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Phyllis Manza and others protest with signs in Depot Park.

Tea time in town

Groups protest government

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Kevin Chase, along with other members of the Independent Tea Party Patriots, is encouraging people "to get off the couch and let their voice be heard."

"The turnout was phenomenal, (we) over estimated the energy in the group, It was great to see how many women were there," Chase said after the second meeting at Chase Plastics, Monday night.

"This is a thing that is truly kind of a phenomenon. There are so many active people across this township and the tri-county area that are getting off the couch and getting active," he said. "They just don't like how the state is headed or the country is headed and we're all doing something about it."

The group's mission is to promote fiscal responsibility and limited government to stimulate business and job growth in the state of Michigan. As well as promoting candidates with the same, common views and to hold them accountable for their votes.

Please see Tea on page 8A

Superintendent Roberts retiring

Unless Clarkston Board of Education intervenes, Superintendent Al Roberts will retire July 1.

"The state's legislative action has most people who are eligible to retire thinking seriously about that possibility," Roberts said in an email announcing his decision, Monday, May 24. "Over the past

few days, I have taken the opportunity to further study this option and have decided to retire from Clarkston Community Schools."

Options for the school board include accepting the July 1 departure, extending his employment for 85 days at a third salary, or a one-year extension.

The school board needs to meet soon to figure it out, said Trustee Joan Patterson.

"We need to have some open meetings sooner rather than later to see where we are," Patterson said. "We don't know the details yet."

— Phil Custodio

Kudos for community service

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Amanda Martin earned this year's Youth of the Year Community Award for her volunteer efforts with Paws For A Cause.

Martin, 17, raised and trained three puppies for the national assistance-dog program. And she's allergic to dogs.

"I found a way around it. All three are black standard poodles — they're hypoallergenic," said the Clarkston High School senior.

She was honored at the Clarkston Community Awards Breakfast, May 20, along with Nancy Heussner, Citizen of the Year; Carla Bell, Adult-Youth Volunteer; Kevin Harrison, Business Person of the Year; McLaren Garden of Healing and Renewal, Community Beautification; Christmas in

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Kaden the Paws service dog congratulates Amanda Martin, his former foster mom, for her Youth of the Year award. Photo by Phil Custodio

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Pausing for Poppies

Tom Phipps of American Legion Post 63 collects a donation on Main Street in Clarkston, during the legion's Poppy Sale this past weekend. Proceeds from the Memorial Day-inspired fund raiser benefit veterans and their families all year long. *Photo by Phil Custodio*



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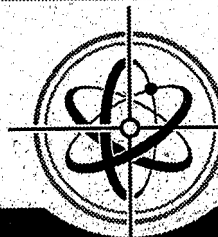
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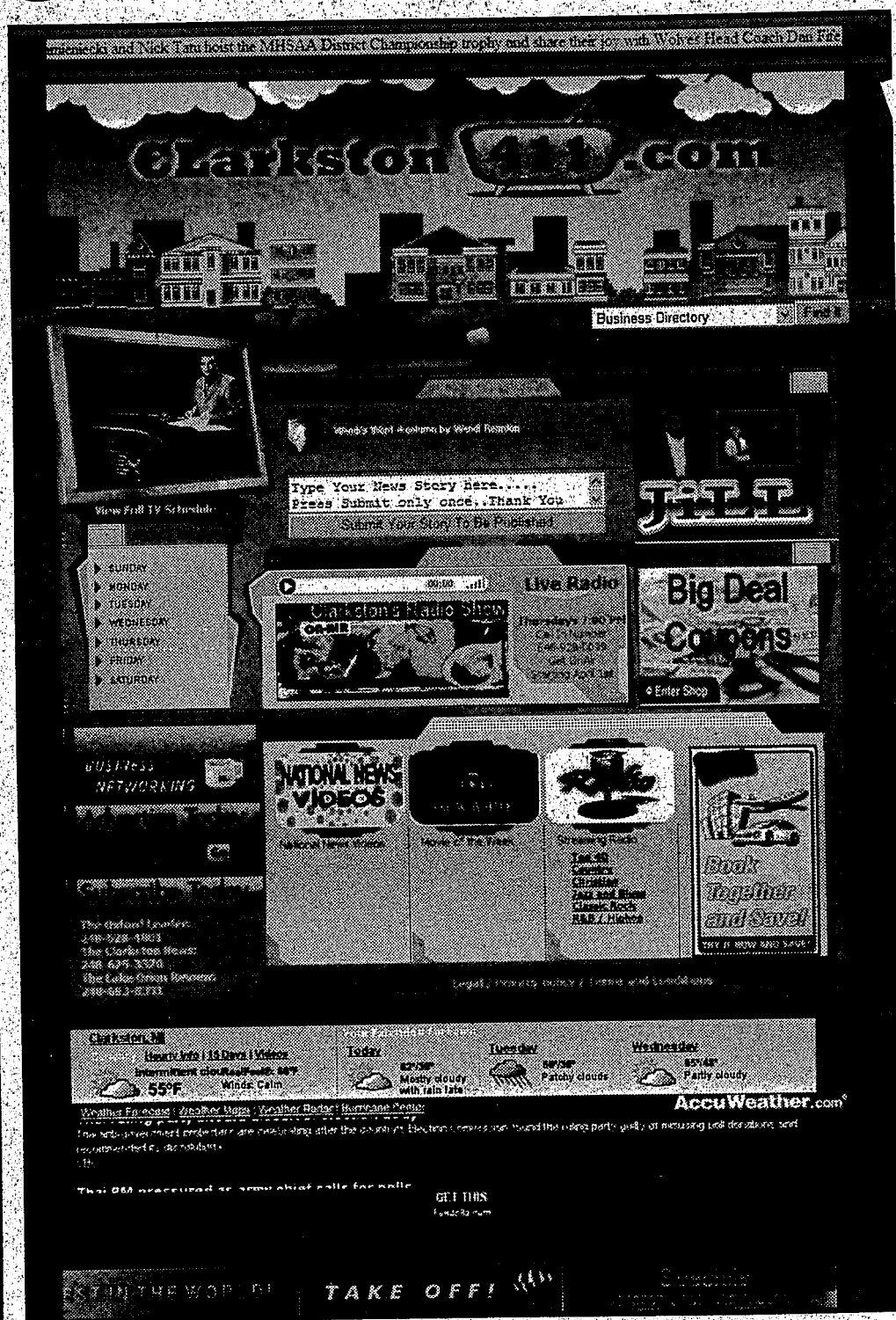
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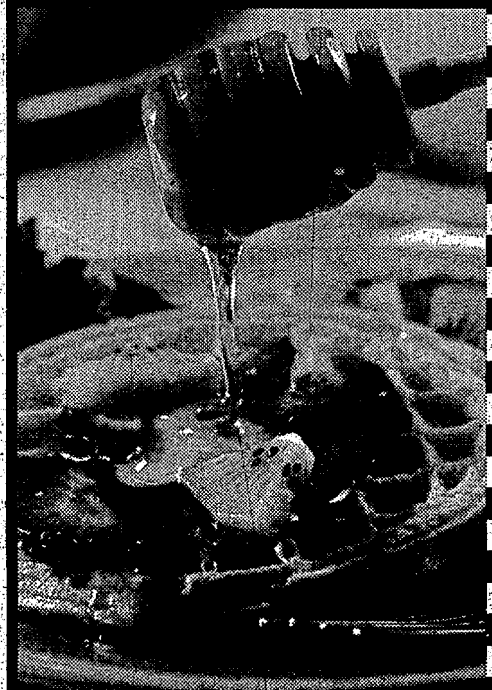
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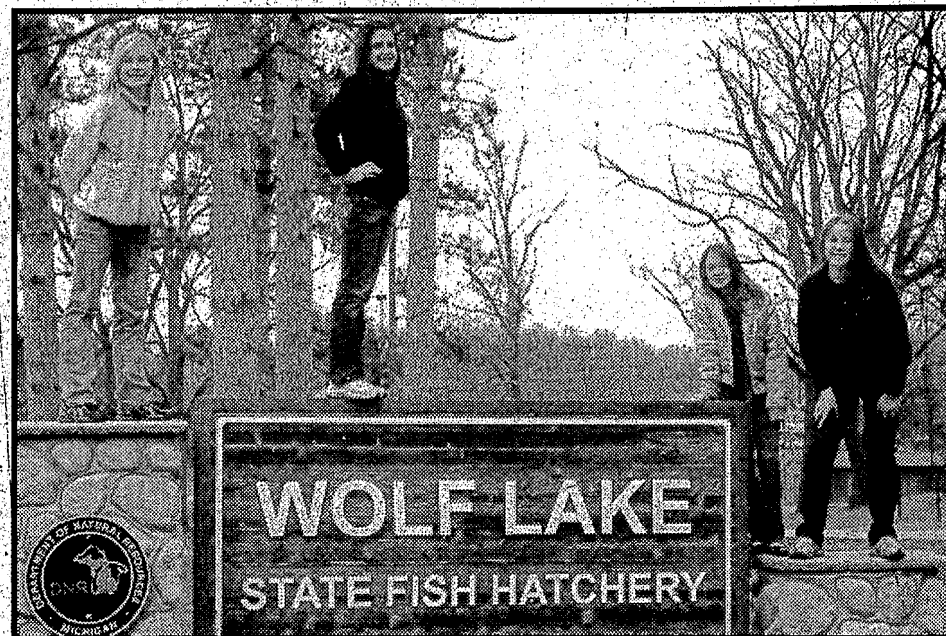
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Makenna Prey, Gabby Carusello, Heather Torode, and Katie McGee are ready
to raise some fish. Photo provided

Fish teach life lessons

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Sashabaw Middle School students re-
leased the salmon they had raised from the
fall into the Clinton River.

Rodney Pierson's science classes partici-
pated in Salmon in the Classroom - taking
care of salmon from when they are inside an
egg to over three inches long.

"We watched the salmon grow so we
could understand the life cycle and under-
stand how their ecosystem works as we ob-
serve what is going on," said seventh-grader,
Gabby Carusello.

"They were really small and the orange
were the ones to survive," she noticed.

The students were trained at the state
hatcheries on what to feed them and how to

take care of them.

The students also learned about the eco-
system of the Great Lakes and the purpose
the salmon had in Michigan.

"With the building of the shipping canals
in the early 20th century, sea lampreys were
introduced to the Great Lakes, killing off the
lake trout," explained Pierson.

The sea lampreys resemble eels, but feed
on large fish - like the lake trout.

As the lake trout population dwindled, the
population of smaller fish and trouble fish
they fed on grew.

"They needed another fish to to be intro-
duced to either take place of the lake trout or
play a similar role," said Pierson.

The salmon were introduced from the
West Coast and had to be raised from eggs
in a safe environment.

Clinton Valley Trout Unlimited sponsored
the project giving students the perfect op-
portunity to watch an ecosystem in action.

"We learned about the different types of
ecology," said Jacob Topham, seventh-
grader. "How they function and why it is im-
portant. We also sent out letters to business
for supplies for bat houses. Bats are an im-
portant part of our ecosystem because all of
the insects they eat. Through deforestation
and various other human activities we are
killing them off."

Through both they learned any destruc-
tion to the environment affects all organisms
in the ecosystem and their survival.

"They learn what it does to the environ-
ment, the importance of a natural predator
and without a natural predator trouble comes
from somewhere else," said Rodney.

The salmon were released earlier this
month and Clinton Valley Trout Unlimited will
sponsor Salmon in the Classroom again next
year for Pierson's classes.



Briefly

Schools in Race to Top

Clarkston Community Schools is officially in the Race to the Top.

Clarkston Board of Education voted 7-0 at a special meeting, May 20, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding to join the federal Race to the Top program. Superintendent Albert Roberts and Board President signed the memorandum in January.

The board also unanimously approved two administrative reassignments. For the 2010-2011 school year, Jodi Yeloushan was recommended for principal of Pine Knob Elementary at a salary of \$104,329, replacing Valerie Grimes, who was pink slipped March 22. Yeloushan is currently an assistant principal at Clarkston High School.

Adam Kern was recommended for promotion from assistant principal to principal at Clarkston Junior High School, at a \$98,402 salary. Current principal Shawn Ryan steps into his new role as deputy superintendent in July.

Packing party, June 3

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road, hosts "Red, White, and Blue, this Box is for You." Desert Angel Miracle Box packing party, 4-7 p.m., Thursday, June 3.

Suggested donation include black and white, men's and women's socks, pillow case, and red, white, and blue items, as well as canned and packaged food and beverages, and personal care items.

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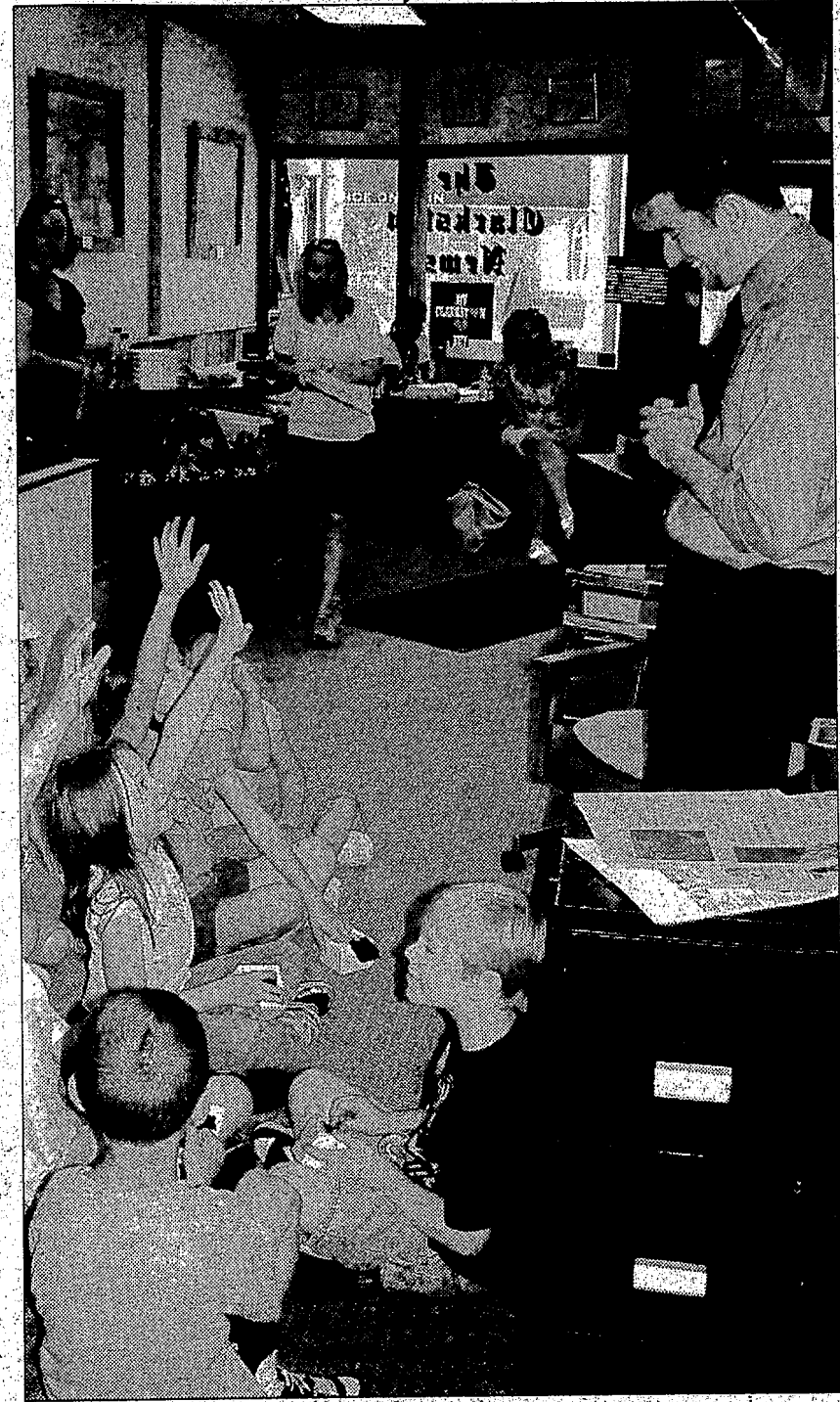
Touring downtown

The first warm weather of spring has arrived, and that means second graders filling the streets of downtown Clarkston, learning about local history and businesses.

They stopped by the editorial department of the Clarkston News, 5 S. Main Street, now relocated downstairs on the main floor of the building.



Bailey Lake Elementary students Jaiden Wasilk, left, and Alex Sloan take a break during their tour of downtown Clarkston.



Clarkston News reporter Trevor Keiser explains the history of the Walters Building, 5 S. Main Street, to Springfield Plains Elementary students. Photos by Phil Custodio



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Keiser's Role

A column by Trevor Keiser

Fees for FOIA

A few weeks ago, I sent an e-mail to the Independence Township Clerk's office requesting information concerning healthcare per Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

I knew the only way I would receive this information would be through "formal request."

Well the "free" information I asked for came with a price tag of \$24. Thirteen of those dollars were used to make me a copy of 26 pages at 50 cents a page. The other \$11 were for a half hour of time. It took to make those copies.

What I find interesting is I electronically sent in my request, but my request was granted to me in paper format. I find that interesting because the clerk's office has probably been the biggest advocate of the use of electronics and going paperless. Everything from paperless agendas to record retention programs.

Not to mention every two weeks I get a board packet e-mailed to me with anywhere between 60 to 200 some pages. Some of which were scanned pieces of paper.

So why is the clerk's office so quick to hand out stacks of papers with a FOIA request? Is it because it's a nice way to gain a few extra bucks?

I know it doesn't cost that much. According to Office Depot website I can get a ream of copy paper (500 sheets) for \$5.29 that equals 11 cents a page. I can get 2,500 sheets for \$23.29, which equals 0.009 cents a page.

There is what is known as the "spirit of the law," which says "we desire to be open, honest, and show complete transparency by allowing anyone who asks for information which is public."

Then there is the "letter of the law," which says "we have the right to charge you up to x amount for copies of anything you ask for and as well as the time it took to gather the information and copy it for you."

The letter of the law doesn't really show a township that's willing to be completely honest and open. Instead it says "our transparency will come with a price tag." What if someone doesn't have an extra \$24. Do they receive a sweet smile with the response "sorry Charlie?"

Perhaps the clerk's office should rethink the FOIA policy in place, save some trees, and truly become open, honest, and completely transparent.



Viewpoints

Government right to ban texting

Dear Editor,

After reading one person's opinion in the May 19 People Poll, where she believes a law against texting while you drive is an intrusion by a government that should leave well

enough alone, leave us to perhaps kill others while driving 75 mph on a freeway, it seems to me that there are people out there with a misunderstanding of the role of government.

While I have conservative views on government taking our money, trying to force its idea of health care on us, and so on, I definitely believe there's a role that government must play.

I am sure the person with the freedom to text and drive opinion would never admit to being an anarchist, lack of the ability for our government representatives to pass laws that "intrude" on our lives for legitimate purposes is anarchy in its purest form.

We vote for representatives to pass laws for our good. Sometimes, they do just that. After all, we do need protection from those

who may hurt us, both foreign and domestic. We make sure that we have police protection.

We adhere, at least in our minds, to the Golden Rule and we vote in those who we believe will do the right thing. We also vote out those who aren't

Giving the police the right to stop those who obviously cannot be paying one hundred percent attention if they are texting, unless they have invented hands-free texting, is beneficial for all of us who take to the streets in hope we'll get to where we're going safely.

I, a conservative, support government intrusion when it is for this purpose.

Fred Neumark
Independence Township

Letters to the editor

Vote against wasteful politicians

Dear Editor,

Some folks may not agree with our new president, but he has accomplished one thing, in that he has really shaken up the status quo.

Now is the time to seriously think about voting out career politicians this November. Democrat or Republican, are these politicians in office for the people who voted for them, or to shore up their retirement account?

One prime example would be U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers, of Michigan's 44th District. Try to name on thing he has done in the last 10 years for his district. He is on several committees, energy being one. Does he have a

solution to what has happened in the Gulf of Mexico? When was the last time you heard him speak at a local town hall meeting addressing local problems?

State Rep. Eileen Kowall and her husband, White Lake Supervisor Mike Kowall, think their retirement should be funded by taxpayer dollars.

Of course, we have Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner, currently under recall notice, who shares this concept.

Remember that in order to make your vote count, you have to vote.

Tim Heming
Independence Township

Thanks for Community Awards work

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the Community Awards Committee: Anita Banach, Dawn Horner, Kelly Hyer, Linda Jaboro and Linda Mladenoff for an outstanding Michigan Week Community Awards Breakfast.

We are blessed to be able to celebrate the many unsung heroes and outstanding volunteer efforts in our community. I am so proud of our deep pool of talented, compassionate and inspirational people, each working hard at causes they cherish without thought for recognition or awards. Everyone doing what they can, where they can, creates the home-town community we treasure.

It was also a pleasure to read the event program and see the many sponsors, supporters, collaborators and donors who helped make this a wonderful signature event for our community. This breakfast truly was a collaborative community event—the very example of the types of efforts being celebrated with proclamations and awards.

Thank you to Pastor Greg Henneman and Clarkston Community Church for coordinating and hosting this important event. We appreciate your hard work!

Sincerely,
Penny Shanks, executive director
Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1995

"A helping hand, not a handout" Heidi Sommers, Carol Eberhardt, Linda Walsh and other volunteers formed a local Habitat for Humanity affiliate. They planned to build their first house for a family in need by that winter.

"Lessons learned in karate" Courtne Sinclair was an 8-year-old karate student when she decided to donate money saved up for an invitational competition in Ohio to families of Oklahoma City bombing victims. Her sensei gave her a special trophy in honor of her decision.

25 years ago - 1985

"Independence moves toward charter status" The Township Board approved a resolution of intention to become a charter township. Advantages included more protection from annexation by a city, change of fiscal year to match calendar year, and more administrative authority for the supervisor.

"Class produced six new games" Terry Barnes, Todd Thornberry, Stephani Bechtel, and other Gifted and Academically Talented students at Sashabaw Junior High School learned about geography, strategy, and general knowledge during a month-long make-a-game-from-scratch project.

"Hometown visit" Michigan's first lady Paula Blanchard, wife of Gov. James Blanchard and Clarkston native, came to town to meet with Clarkston Community Historical Society. She accepted a rendering of Clarkston architecture from Marilyn Rosner.

50 years ago - 1960

"Board of Education to have 7 members" Recent state legislation required all fourth-class district school boards to be increased from five to seven members in 1960. Running for office were George Gary, Philip Hampton, Harry Jackston, Robert Jensenius, R.E. Spohn, Ronald Weber, Thomas Doremus, Katherine Hetherington, Harold Hicks, Frances Rhames, Arthur Rose, and Lester Smith.

"Apple for the teacher" Miss Margaret Stutsman, Clarkston Elementary kindergarten teacher, won the WXYZ Radio "Apple for the Teacher" award. Her student, Ronald Gray, wrote the nomination letter, with the help of his mother, Mrs. George Gray. She received a box of apples and on-air recognition.

"Clarkston locals" Mrs. Lola McCune and Mrs. Leslie Purslow attended the State Convention of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society in Flint over the weekend.

Race continues Keegan's legacy

Dear Editor,

On May 1, the second annual Chuck Keegan Race for the Kids was cosponsored by the Clarkston Foundation and staff of Clarkston Junior High. Chuck taught for Clarkston Community Schools for more than 30 years.

He was also the track coach for much of that time. Throughout his career, he touched the lives of countless students, teachers, and parents.

This was evident in the outpouring of support from the community. Nearly 100 people participated in the event, and more than \$3,000 was raised. These funds will be used to establish scholarships for Clarkston students.

We would like to thank Paul Coughlin of Runnin' Gear and John Merz of Graphmark Services. Their help was instrumental in the success of this event. Monetary support was also provided by the A+ Teachers' Store, ATS Project

Success, The Learning Experience, Planned Financial Services, Sports Creations, and Waterford Jewelers.

In addition, we are grateful to Clarkston Community Schools for their support of this worthwhile event.

Finally, thanks to Amy Ankrom, Jim Berman, Kevin Breen, Ray Cooper, Denise Hill, Claudia Keglovitz, April Kosin, Mark Magni, Jon Paddock, Debbie Sabo, Wayne Samuel, Alex Sennabaum, and all the other former and current Clarkston school employees who donated their time and talent.

We can think of no better way to honor an outstanding Clarkston teacher who treasured his students, his school, and his community. Chuck's first priority was always "his kids." We are honored to continue his legacy.

*Mike Greve, chairman
Race for the Kids*

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Thanks for sale success

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank the Bailey Lake families for helping us raise \$850 at our bake sale for Angelina Russo! Angelina is a 2-year-old cousin of our classmate, Allyson. Angelina is battling leukemia.

We sold baked goods and lemonade before and after school on May 18. We are lucky to live in such a caring community.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barb Gramann's second grade class

Help for students appreciated

Dear Don Rush,

Thank you for all your help with our project in Academic Service Learning.

We really appreciate it. We know you are a busy person and we want to thank you for taking time out to respond to us.

Sincerely,

Hannah Hawkins ASL class

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Thoughts from a slightly used mind

Gone a week, but to me, the greatest thing that happened was the sun finally came out, the weather warmed and I could plant my geraniums and marigolds.

One day during that week I went trout fishing in the UP with my equally unlucky son, Jim.

Let me define my trout fishing: I sit on shore, repeatedly casting an assortment of 1,343 lures toward the "hot spots" and retrieve nothing but weeds for eight hours.

In one respect trout fishing is a lot like my deer hunting experiences: we bide time until our lunchtime cook-out; then abide time until our evening of fellowship and lying.

I had a lot of time to think, though many of my thoughts were in wonderment of why did the trout find one person's lure more inviting than mine, which was the same spoon as his.

Another thought was to never let a young'n' into fishing camp. However, if we hadn't had this 24-year-old, we'd never have had a trout dinner.

• Our U.S. President is reported by the daily media as being a thorough, forward thinker. Accepting that premise, his selection for the next seat on the Supreme Court gives me further cause to question acceptance of that premise. Once seated, there will be no Protestants on that bench. Is that the goal of our White House thinker? If so, why? Of course, "why" frequently comes to mind these days, state and nationally.

• In our fishing camp fireplace commune, where I was the only one not wearing jeans, their fit came up. In particular was the shrinking distance between crotch and waistline. One of the guys said the low-slung jeans are advertised as "modern fit." They look to me more like "too-tight fit."

• If cancer hadn't taken my mother's life, I'm sure she would have died after seeing today's advertisements for something called Cialis. Do all our generations need to see and hear all the advertisements for rejuvenations and excitements?

• Being over 80, I feel qualified to make this statement: Ain't no way anyone over 80 should be allowed on any ballot for any office that might

pass laws that affect my life.

• That said, I'm ready to entertain. A retired US sailor says, "I object and take exception to everyone saying that Obama and Congress are spending money like a drunken sailor. I quit when I ran out of money."

• How long have uprisings like the Tea Party, immigration and civil rights been going on? Well, in 1878 there

**Jim's
Jottings**



a column by
Jim Sherman

was a movement against using farm machinery. Scores of reaping machines were destroyed in Ohio and Indiana. Warnings posted on machinery alarmed farmers to the point some yielded and discharged their machines. *Oxford Weekly Journal*, July 12, 1878.

• Michigan trivia: The home offices of Life Savers Candy, Beech-nut Gum and Squirt soft drinks are in Holland, MI. Michigan began charging an annual license fee of 50 cents on 1915 autos. In 1936, Escanaba harvested and processed 100,000 sq. ft. of Birds Eye Maple to be used in the English Luxury Liner, the Queen Mary.

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It's taken a long time, but between laws and aging I no longer feel the need to pass any car or truck ahead of me, or to be first in line for any bargain, or to have the latest of anything.

As for the latter; science and the internet (I still refuse to capitalize that word.) make so many things and ideas obsolete so fast I can't keep up if I had the urge in the first place.

Used to be an aspirin would do it, now we have shelves of choices. Now, we have automobile choices from a half dozen countries, when at one time one Ford sedan was enough.

I seldom see a push lawn mower, and the only manure spreaders I see are in my golf league or my lawn.

I'll close with this sign outside a radiator shop: "Best place in town to take a leak."

Tea party activist speak out against 'Obama socialism'



Former World War II veteran Pat Ruelle stands proudly in uniform.



Ken Braun speaks to the crowd.

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According to Chase, it's the "arrogance of the politicians" both in the state of Michigan and Washington DC who have been doing what the majority does not want because of their personal special interests and ideologies.

"This is a center of right country," he said. "It will always be a center of right country, whether fiscally or socially and they're continuing to go far left of center because that's their ideologies."

The party also included special speaker Ken Braun of the Mackinac Center.

Independence Township resident Monie Funk said he wanted to "keep America as it is and the constitution."

"I think it's (tea parties) a good thing," he said. "We're losing our constitution and our ability to be American."

Robert Sharrard of Waterford said he's always been interested in politics and changing things.

"I watch my own politicians at the local level," Sharrard said. "If they don't do what I want or something I think they should be doing or doing something I don't approve of I'm down there, I'm raising Cain with them."

Chase hopes to hook up with other Tea Party groups, which are "like minded." Carl Knaus, founder of "Saving America" tea party movement, said he too would like to join forces.

Knaus held a rally in Depot Park on May 15, which was also a success.

"It went great, he said. "We had a little over 100 people totally, that's a good turnout."

He had originally scheduled the event on April 17, but due to poor weather conditions, only around 30 people showed up.

Former World War II veteran Pat Ruelle said he is "totally discouraged"

with the current government and believes "they're a bunch of socialist."

"I'm coming up on 87 (years old.) I've never seen anything like this in politics, I'm so disgusted," he said. "That's what motivated me to get some clothes out of the grab bag and come out here and join the people who share my thinking."

Diane Wayne said she loves America and wants here teenage children to be able to have the same America she's had.

"They love America because their parents love America and we believe in the constitution," Wayne said. "I don't want any part of that constitution dismissed," she said.

"It was hard to get America for it to be what it is today," she continued. "I think we're all on board 110 percent to make sure our constitution is upheld."

Annamaria Evans believes they need to vote "(President Barack) Obama and his gang out."

"We do not want Obama's agenda and Congress is going along with it. There is not enough Republican's there, so what we need to do is vote the Democrats out and get some conservatives in there, so we can block some of this stuff so we can get Obama out," Evans said.

"Then we can repeal the healthcare bill and replace it with something a little bit more livable."

Evans said she has been to approximately 30 tea parties. Her first was last June held in Clintonwood Park.

Phyllis Manza from Sterling Heights also said she has attended many tea parties as well.

"Saving America and taking this country back, I don't care what group it is as long as they're ready to fight the good fight," she said. "I'm willing to go wherever it takes."

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Public Safety

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

Out for a stroll

A deputy on patrol, 12:47 a.m., May 8, stopped to talk to two men walking on the side of Andersonville Road near Parview Drive. Checking their IDs, he found one of them, an 18-year-old Independence Township man, had warrants for possession of marijuana and traffic violation, as well as some marijuana in his back pocket. He was arrested.

Hungry drunk driver

On the lookout for a silver sports car all over the road, a deputy found the 21-year-old Clarkston driver pulling in and out of closed Dixie Highway restaurants, 1:42 a.m., May 12. The driver failed field sobriety tests but refused to take a preliminary breath test. He was arrested for drunk driving and taken in for a court-ordered blood draw.

Suspended license

A 19-year-old Pontiac man was cited for driving with suspended license and no proof of insurance, 2:40 a.m., May 13, at Maybee Road and Timber Ridge Trail.

Drunk driver misses sign

A deputy stopped a car running a stop sign, 1:53 a.m., May 18, at Pelton Road and Sashabaw. The driver, a 24-year-old Independence Township man, had a blood alcohol level of .13 and was arrested for drunk driving.

Busted probation

A deputy stopped a vehicle for having only one headlight, 11:32 p.m., May 13, at Sashabaw and I-75. The driver, a 21-year-old Independence Township man, had a glass marijuana pipe, violating his probation out of Waterford. He was cited for failure to produce a license and possession of drug paraphernalia, and held for Waterford Police.

Caught on video

A 50-year-old Independence Township man was filmed taking a chainsaw from the back of a pickup truck, 2 p.m., May 17, at a Sashabaw Road store. The store security video shows the suspect pulling up in a pickup, getting out, taking the chainsaw and putting it in his truck, and driving off.



Out of control car

A 25-year-old Independence Township woman was cited for reckless driving, 1:55 p.m., May 14, in the 5000 block of S. Ortonville Road. The driver backed up, struck a pole in the parking lot, put the car in drive and hit a parked jeep, then the front entrance of the storefront, crashing through the door.

Not such a magical time

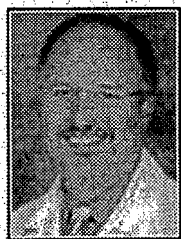
An Independence Township family thought they were going to enjoy a day of fun at Disney World in Florida, May 17. But when they presented their four-day park passes, purchased March 18 on Ebay, they were informed the tickets were fraudulent. They filed report at Disney City Hall as well as with deputies in Independence Township.

Easy pickings

Two weed eaters were taken from an unlocked shed in the 5000 block of Columbia Street, May 14. Tools were taken from the back of a pickup truck parked at Sashabaw Middle School during a field trip, May 16. Someone took a purse from an unlocked SUV in a Golfview driveway, May 20. A Lake Waldon Drive resident had his satellite radio taken, May 20.

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Fortinberry's back in business

Chuck and Dana Fortinberry hosted a ribbon cutting and grand opening for their Ironton Rustic Furniture and Accessories store on Dixie Highway, May 19.

"I'm so happy to be here today," said Dana, former 52-2 district court judge. "People smile when they come here. At the courthouse, not so many smiles."

Chuck Fortinberry, former car dealer, was also glad to be back in business in the Clarkston area.

"We could have called it a day, buried our heads in the sand, and left this area," he said. "But I believe in the area, the people. It's a beautiful part of the country. So we rolled up our sleeves and got to work."

Clarkston and Waterford chambers of commerce and government officials welcomed the new business, which offers wood furniture and other items, most made in Michigan.

"I'm proud of my family," said Lane Fortinberry, one of Dana and Chuck's sons, who created a website for the company, www.irontonrustics.com.

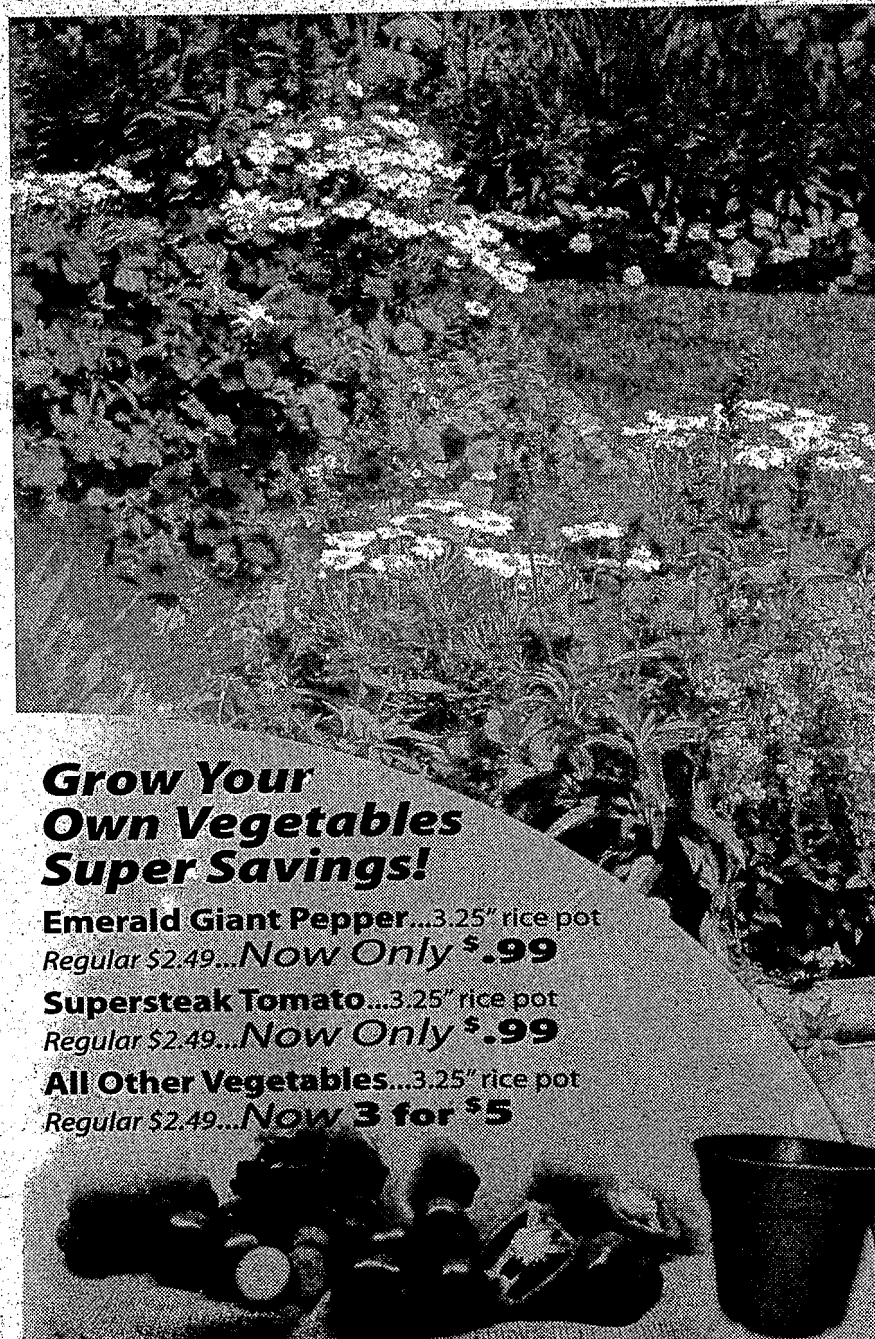
"When we got here a month ago, it was just green walls. My mom did all of this."

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Clarkston Area Youth Assistance hosts its 17th Annual Golf Outing, 8 a.m., Friday, June 18, Fountains Golf and Banquet Center, 6060 Maybee Road. Four-person scramble.

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Tony Ronquillo and his son Brandon get in some dock fishing as they wait for boats to return.

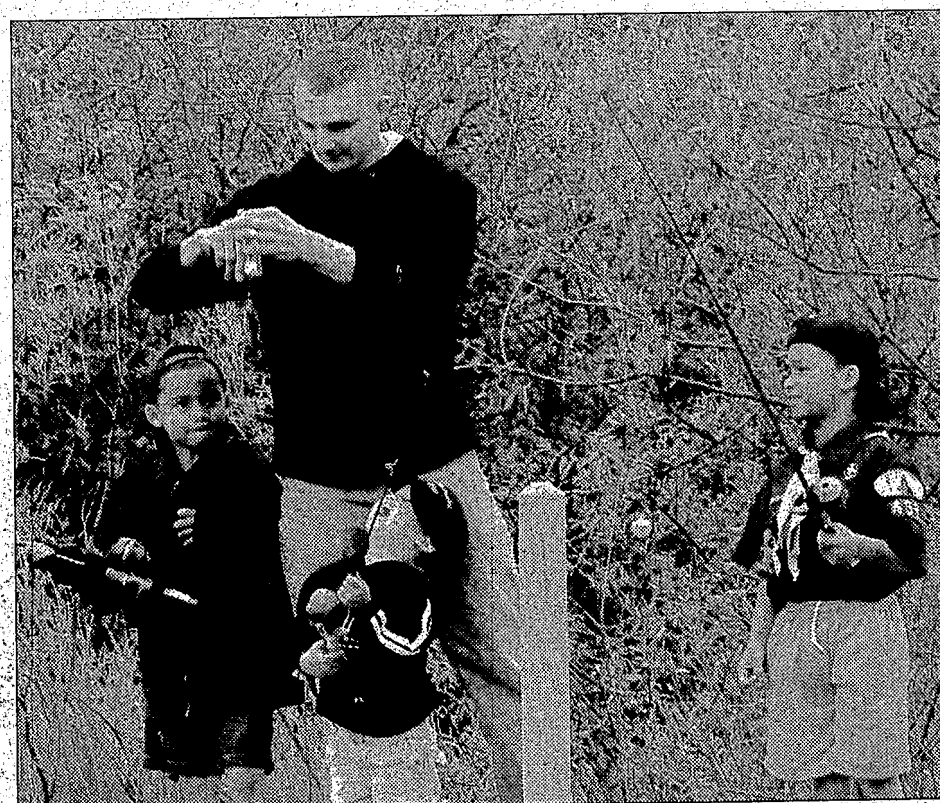
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Fish scouts

Cub Scout Pack 499 of Pine Knob Elementary earned fishing badges at the annual Fishing Derby, May 22, on Crooked Lake in Independence Oaks.

They trolled the lake under the tutelage of fishing pros, or cast their lines from the dock.

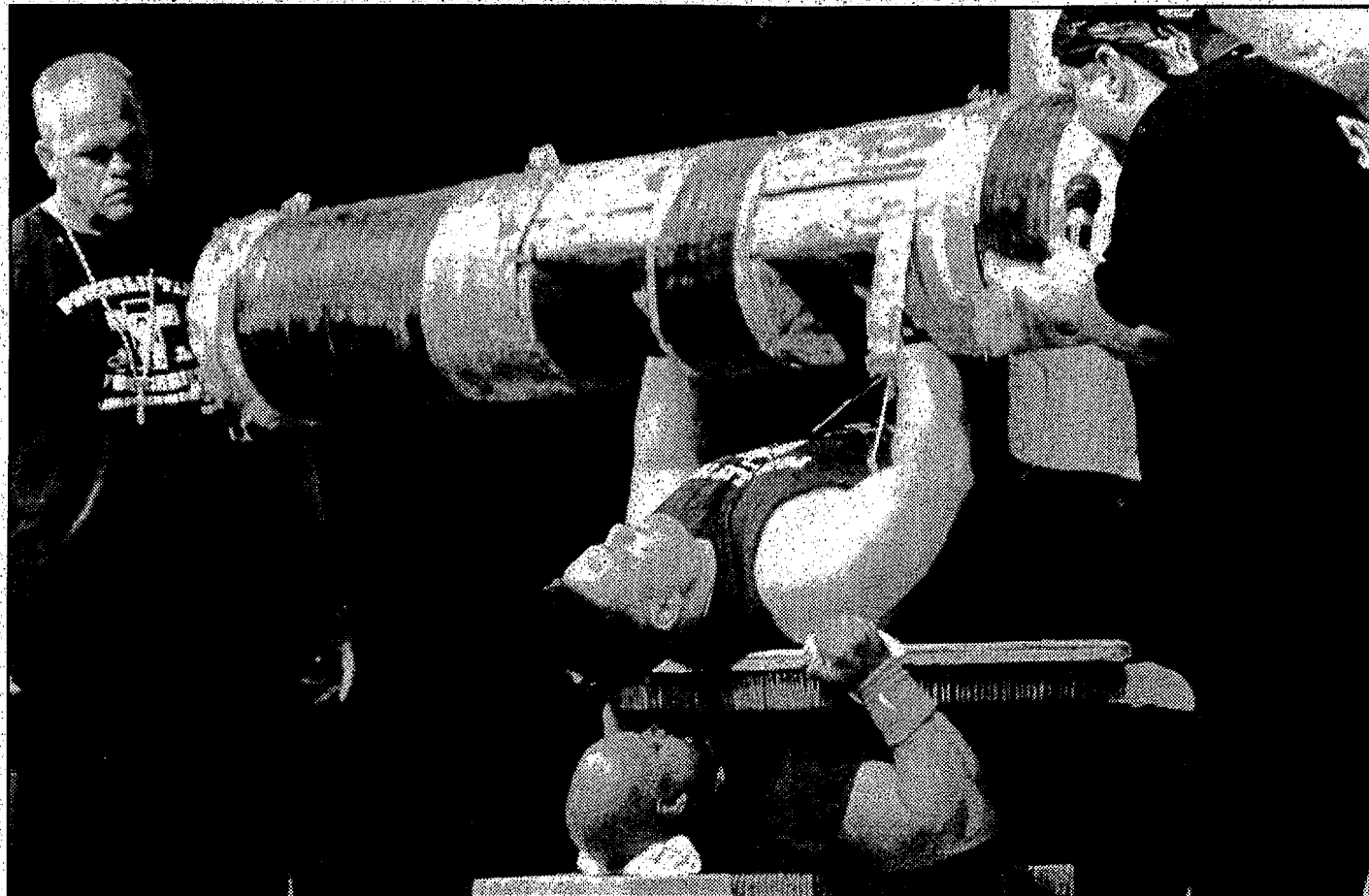
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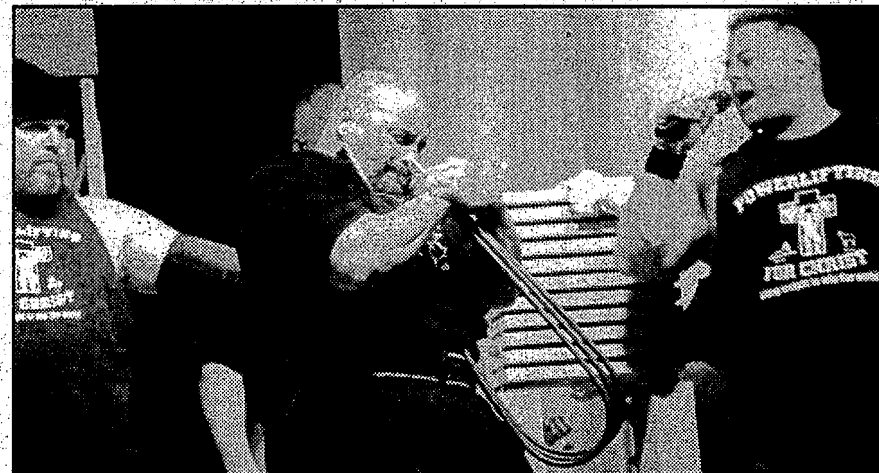
Bryon "Ironman" Dorsey squats with a little extra "seated weight."

Standing Strong

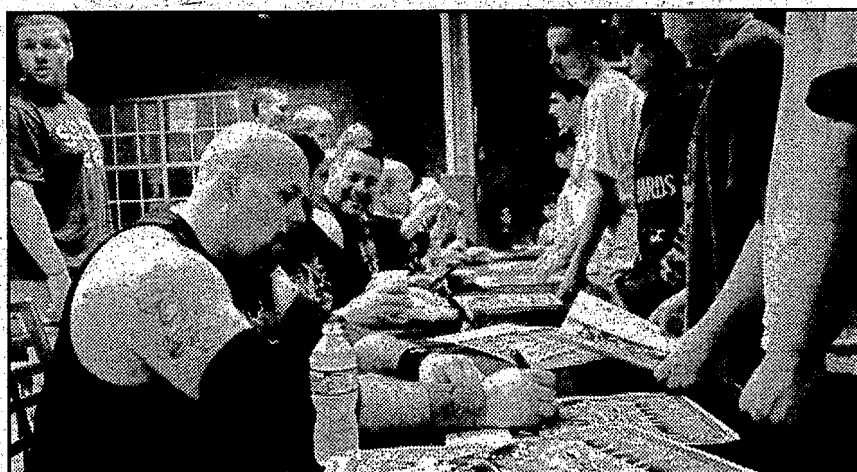
The Stand Strength Team was seen at Bailey Lake Elementary, Sashabaw Middle School and Bridgewood Church this past week.

The team uses feats of strength to teach young people to say 'no' to drugs and alcohol and to treat others with kindness. They also share their faith.

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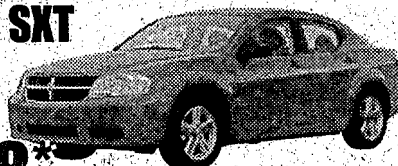
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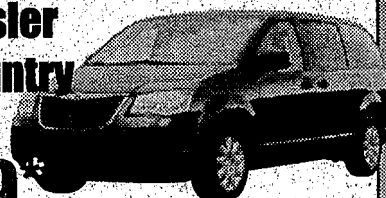
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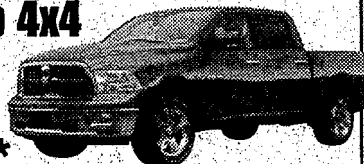
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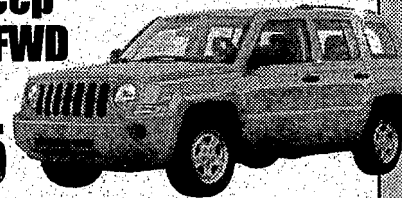
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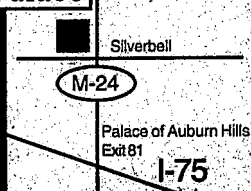


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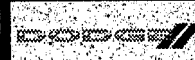
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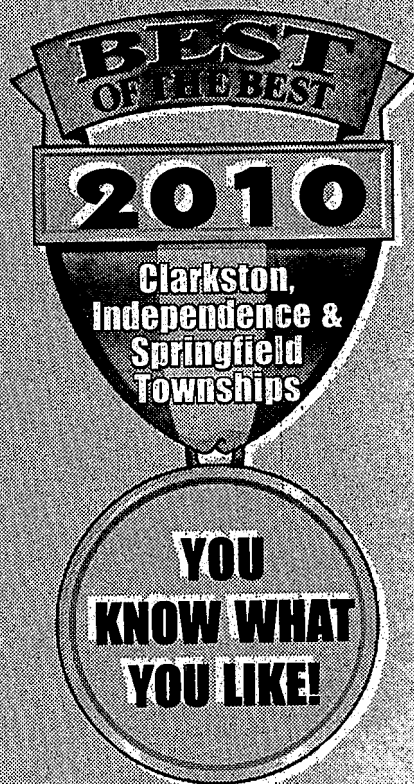
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Piles of electronics collected will be recycled by Computer Recyclers of Michigan. Photos by Phil Custodio



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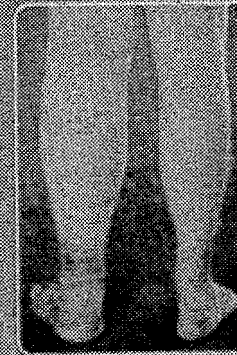
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Wolves knock Waterford out of playoffs

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The ball went on the loose in front of Waterford United's net.

Senior Bobby Peterson ran forward as the Wolves and Waterford blocked each other from getting possession.

Peterson scooped the ball and threw it into the net with 4:32 remaining in the MHSAA Pre-Regional game last Thursday.

The goal put Clarkston's tally at 13, ending Waterford's season, as the visitor only scored three during the game.

"We did the job we needed to do," Boys Varsity Lacrosse Coach Brian Kaminskas. "Our defense was incredible. We gave them a couple of keys, a couple of numbers on how we wanted to play. They were terrific."

The boys grabbed control in the first quarter posting six points on the scoreboard.

The Wolves worked towards more in the second half and as the last four minutes counted down in they came closer.

Hunter Layson passed the ball to Jordan Kincaid, who added the eighth goal with 3:01 remaining.

Clarkston grabbed control at face-off and Joe Sharkey added his goal, shooting to the top of the net less than 40 seconds from the goal Kincaid just scored.

Senior Jeff "Tuna" Turner saved six shots in the half.

"It was a nice way to start," said Kaminskas. "This is like playing Lake Orion - it's always good to beat Waterford. We made a couple of mistakes but we looked fresh. Our concentration wasn't there."

Chapin White led the team, scoring three. Kevin O'Grady, Layson, Sharkey and Kincaid added two goals each. Erik Shaw scored one.

"Chapin had a good game for a defense middle with a hat trick," said Kaminskas. "Matt Goebal did well (in the goal for the second half with five saves) He didn't get a lot of playing time behind Jeff."

The win advances Clarkston to play the MHSAA Regional game against Novi (8-6) on Thursday.

"Our transition game against Novi should be accessibal as long as we can pass and catch," said Kaminskas, looking ahead.

"I like our style of defense against their offense. I think our systems should match up well against them. Our attackers are doing well. Hunter and Jordan are doing quite well."

The Wolves go into the playoff game with an overall record 8-8.

The game begins at 5 p.m. on Thursday.

Novi High School is located at 24062 Taft Road.



Jordan Kincaid swoops in before Waterford has a chance. Photo by WAR

Athlete of the Week

Zezula a force on the diamond

Junior Liz Zezula is a well-known face on the Girls Varsity Softball team - she has started since her freshman year at Clarkston High School.

Through the last few weeks Don Peters, head coach, has watched her continue to shine and help the team as they work on the OAA league title.

"She is driven and passionate about softball," said dad, Brian.

She currently has a .392 batting average, the second highest on the team and has stolen 30 bases. In her freshman season she had an average .346 and her sophomore year .353.

"Her success comes from wanting to help her team win so her teammates can enjoy the rewards from all of their hard work and sacrifice."

The 16-year-old has played baseball and softball since she was seven. She has played travel softball for six years splitting her time with Michigan Stars and Oakland Cobras. She currently plays with the Lady A's.

But her favorite team is Clarkston High School - of course.

"She is excited for how hard the team

works every day to become the best team possible," said dad, Brian. "She respects all three of her coaches and thinks the team leaders are moving the team to a higher level."

She also started in center field, catcher and left field positions during her high school career. During last summer she alternated games at left field and short stop.

Liz has been awarded All-District and All-Region honors while on the varsity team.

"She works hard in the off-season doing speed training and hitting instruction," said Brian. "She plays summer ball."

Brian added she works just as hard in the classroom. Her GPA for the trimester was a 3.94 and she scored a 26 on her ACT test.

"She wanted to increase her academics and just came off a year with two advanced classes," he said.

Liz was on seven sport teams before she entered high school. Including wrestling where she was undefeated in eighth grade and had only one loss in seventh grade. She was also on the eighth grade track team where she was the fastest runner in the 70-meter and threw the farthest for shot put.

She also plays for the girls varsity basketball team in the winter.

She is looking forward to continuing her softball career when she goes to college and has Division 1, Division 2 and Division 3 schools interested in her to play for their team.



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Sydney Hasselbach grips her bat, ready to send the ball. Photo by Wendi Reardon.

Sluggers protect home turf

Lady Hitters took second place at the University of Michigan tournament over the weekend.

They beat five teams before they lost to Jenison, 3-0, in the championship round.

Taylor Hasselbach, Megan Hastings and Shauna Siwicki were named to the All-Tournament team.

During the championship game, Hasselbach hit 2-for-4 and a double. Bailee Braunreuther hit a triple.

The girls beat East Kentwood, 10-4, scoring six runs in the first inning. Allie Reeves and Braunreuther hit a double. Reeves and Amy Harrison were 2-for-3 and Siwicki had two RBIs.

They beat Byron Center, 8-0. Sarah Altene, Sydney Hasselbach and Hastings hit 2-for-3. Siwicki and Sydney had two RBIs.

They scored six runs in the third inning against Brighton and won the game, 12-3.

Taylor hit a home run and hit 3-for-4.

Braunreuther and Taylor had three RBIs and hit a double. Hastings also hit a double. Tara Perry hit 2-for-2.

The girls only needed five innings against Ann Arbor Huron, and mercied them, 15-0.

They scored seven runs in the first inning. Taylor hit 3-for-3, had a double and three RBIs. Hastings hit 4-for-4 and also had three RBIs. Devon Schomberg and Sydney hit a triple.

Clarkston beat Wayland, 4-3. Wayland scored all their run in the first inning. The Wolves broke the tie in the seventh inning, scoring a run.

The girls beat Grand Blanc on Monday in their double header, 8-1 and 8-3. Taylor was 2-for-4 and Hastings went 3-for-4 with four RBIs during the first game. Braunreuther was the winning pitcher during the game with one strike out.

Liz Zezula hit 2-for-3 and had two RBIs. Taylor was 2-for-2, both had two runs. Hastings was the winning pitcher in the second game, striking out four players.

The girls are currently 26-8.

The girls head to Lake Orion on Wednesday for a double header beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The Wolves beat Rochester on Monday night, 4-3. Tyler Scarlett led the baseball team with two doubles and had one RBI, and Vince Siwicki hit a home run.

Jarret Coy was the winning pitcher and struck out six batters. They split against Davison on Wednesday, winning 9-5 and losing 5-2.

They have a 16-7 record.

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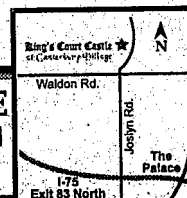
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It's all net for Clarkston players

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Rain, rivalry and revving the senior spirit have kept the Lady Kickers busy during the past week.

The Girls Varsity Soccer team started the week on Thursday heading to Lake Orion to take on their biggest rivals.

The plan was simple - the Dragons would not be winning another game for another year in a row. The Wolves kept true, ending the game with a 1-1 tie.

"It was a great game played by both teams," said Sarah Wasilk, head coach. "Overall I was happy with the way they played and I think they were, too."

Clarkston kept a strong defense in the first half of the game keeping the Lady Dragons attempts out of Demaree Wells' net.

Before the half finished the girls captured the lead off of Mikayla Ferer's shot on the goal.

After receiving the pass from teammate Caitlyn Kirby, Ferer kicked it to the top of the net out of the reach of the goalie.

Clarkston held onto the lead throughout the second half until Lake Orion put themselves on the scoreboard with seven minutes left.

"The defense in the second half was flawless," said Wasilk. "They really stepped up their game."

Wells held her own in the net making huge saves.

"Demaree had an outstanding game," Wasilk added. "Probably the best she has had all season. I couldn't have asked for a better team - they all did very well."

She did notice a few hiccups in the first half compared to Lake Orion but the next half was different.

"It was evenly matched the second half," she said.

The next night left Clarkston and Brandon teams wet as rain rolled in during the Lady Wolves annual Youth Night.

The JV team had a 4-0 lead over the Blackhawks in the first half when the game was delayed because of lightning.

After 7:30 p.m. the skies gave a peek of sunshine but dark gray clouds hovered in the south.

Before another downpour began the girls varsity team went out to the field and performed a dance they perfected for their young fans.

Both games were cancelled for the night.

The girls played Monday and hosted Stoney Creek on Senior Night.

"The girls are pumped," said Wasilk, going into the game. "They really want to win. I think they can do it."

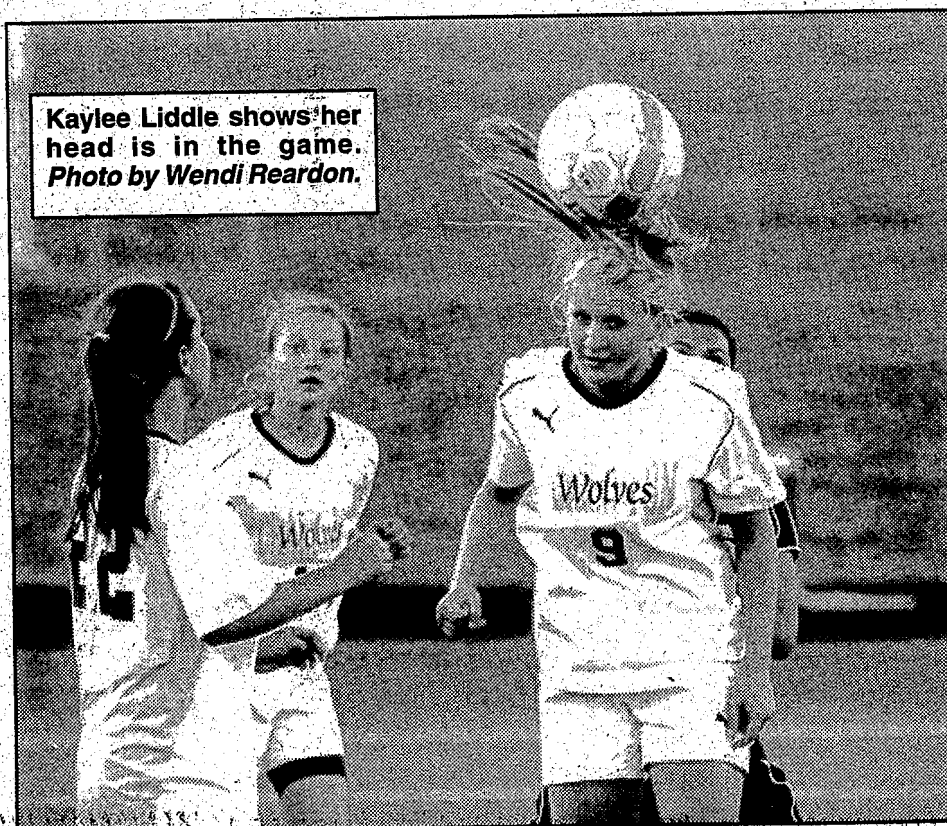
The Lady Cougars stuck first but the lead was short-lived until Clarkston scored with 9:21 left in the first half.

The girls loss the game, 2-1.

Clarkston heads to Andover on Friday night. JV plays at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.

The girls varsity team returns home on Tuesday, hosting the MHSAA District playoffs. They go in with a 13-2 record.

Pontiac and Waterford Kettering begin the night at 5 p.m. Clarkston plays at 7 p.m. when they take on Milford. The winners from both games advance to the next round, June 3.



Kaylee Liddle shows her head is in the game.
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Community activists honored for service

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Action of Oakland County, Inc., Community Enhancement; and Clarkston Parent Teacher Association, Community Collaboration.

"I'm very proud and happy - it's so cool," said Martin, accompanied by her parents, Brad and Mary Martin. "I had no idea."

"I'm so proud of her and everything she's does for the community, family, and neighborhood," Brad said. "I'm thankful for all the things she's involved in."

Heussner earned Citizen of the Year honors through her work as founder and executive director of O.A.T.S., Offering Alternative Therapy and Smiles.

"It takes a great village, the Village of Clarkston, and all these guys to get me here, so thank you," said Heussner, who was accompanied by several students and staff from her all-volunteer, therapeutic, horseback-riding facility off M-15.

A lifelong equestrian, she founded the program for those with disabilities 13 years ago.

"Knowing what horses gave back to me, I had a vision of what it would be like for a child in a wheelchair to leave that chair behind and be on the back of a horse, riding through the woods," she said.

Bell has helped North Sashabaw Elementary students for the past three years, providing school supplies to those in need, organizing volunteers for afterschool Homework Club, and founding Tabitha's Light Outreach Ministry.

"I'm thrilled - this is incredibly humbling," Bell said. "I see how many people work so hard to make community a better place."

Kevin Harrison moved to Clarkston from Chicago two years ago, and opened KH Homes on Main Street.

"This is a great honor," Harrison said. "Clarkston is a very unique community. It's ideally situated, off I-75. I'm so impressed with everybody in town, how dedicated they are to the community and what it has to offer."

He's planning to move his business, but not too far. He's moving a few hundred feet south to 12 S. Main Street, taking over from Village Apparel and Gift Shop.

"It's quadruple the space," said Harrison, who is planning a two-month renovation before reopening what he intends to be a headquarters for more expansion. "This is a good investment in the village. A recovery is coming, and Clarkston will be at the forefront."

The five-acre McLaren Garden of Healing and Renewal on Bow Pointe Road off Sashabaw Road includes walking trails, fountains, outdoor art, and thousands of flowers, plants, and trees.

Open a year this month, it took three years of development and planning, and two years of construction.



Youth Award winner Amanda Martin and Nancy Heussner, Citizen of the Year, with Caden the Paws dog.

Christmas In Action is a coalition of volunteers who come together the last Saturday each April to provide free home repairs to local senior in need.

"I feel very honored to be recognized," said Diane Midgely, president. "I'm proud to be part of the community."

Clarkston PTA partners with community groups to offer seminars on cyber safety, anti-bullying, health and fitness, and other topics for youth.

Clarkston Community Church hosted the



Kevin Harrison with State Rep. Eileen Kowall, who presented award certificates.

25th annual awards breakfast.

"I'm really excited the church could be part of this community event," said the Rev.

Greg Henneman, pastor of the church. "I'm so proud of Clarkston - it's a great community. I really enjoyed getting to meet all the awardees, and I personally thank them for their contributions."

Martin had a special guest at the breakfast, Eugina Wheeler, who brought along her Paws service dog, Kaden, one of the animals Amanda raised.

"I'm here to honor Amanda for what she did - she's awesome," Wheeler said. "Kaden is wonderful. He makes life so much easier."

He's the product of a lot of work."

"The neat thing was to see how healthy Kaden turned out," Amanda said. "It was really nice he went to someone close by."

"It's hard to give up an animal after 16-18 months," Brad said. "It's not an easy thing for anybody."

Community Awards Committee included Kelly Hyer, Independence Township; Anita Banach and Linda Jaboro, Clarkston Community Schools; Dawn Horner, Clarkston State Bank; and Linda Mladenoff, Clarkston Community Church.

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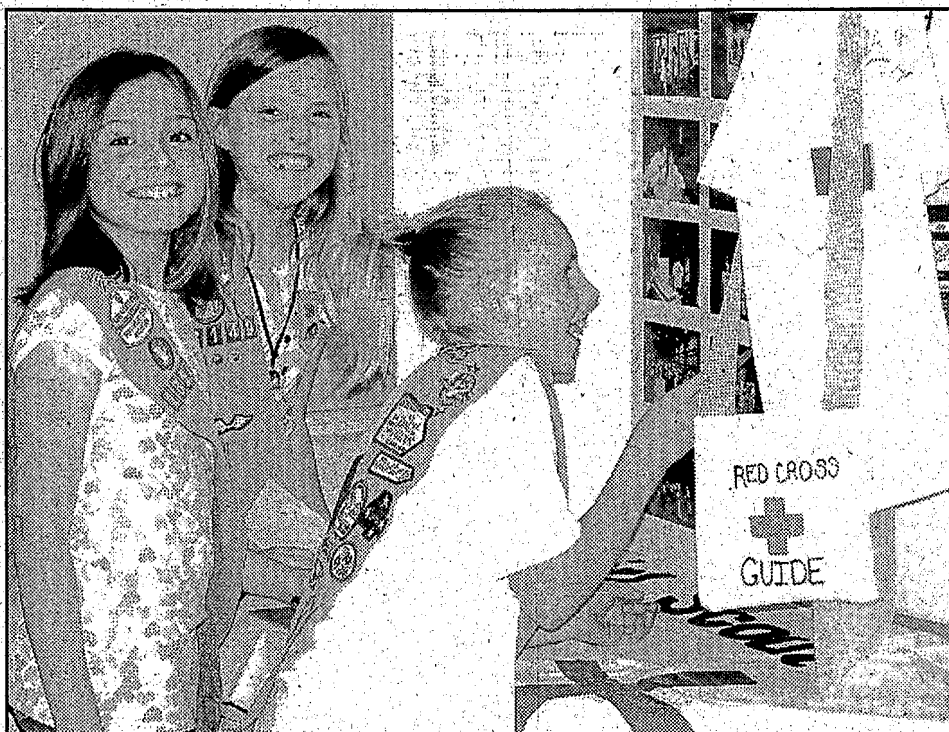
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From left, Hannah Wright, Rachel Wright, and Diana Hocksema from Bailey Lake Troop 13149 check out some Girl Scout photos. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

Scouts awarded for service

Clarkston Girl Scouts honored 41 Gold, Silver, and Bronze award winners, April 15.

Four Junior troops earned Bronze Awards, the highest available.

Troop 11897 organized the 2010 Clarkston Girl Scout International Night, attended by more than 500 scouts and guests. As part of their project, they collected and donated \$175 to Haitian relief efforts.

Troop 13149 volunteered more than 100 hours at the Clarkston Community Garden, harvesting almost 11 thousand pounds of food from the vegetable patch. The food was distributed through Lighthouse and some was taken to Gleaner's Food Bank.

Troop 11913 collected more than 1,000 books for a children's library at Grace Centers of Hope in Pontiac. They also made cat boxes, dog treats, and toys for the animals at the Oakland County Animal Care Center.

Troop 13059 provided free babysitting services during Parent/Teacher Conferences in October and March at Independence Elementary.

Two Cadet troops were recognized with their Silver Award.

Troop 11300 planned six activities to help Junior scouts earn their "Environmental Health" badge.

Troop 11657 worked with Kindergarten troops and worked with them through their first few months with meetings and activities. At the end of their project, a new Daisy troop was formed.

Gold Awards, the highest in Girl Scouts, were awarded to Troop 10727, for clearing around Depot Theater, home to Clarkston Village Players. They put down a brick patio, planted gardens and put up a white picket fence.



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Clarkston aces regional competition

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Lady Wolves conquered their season goal last Thursday - they are heading to the state finals.

They scored 21 points during the MHSAA Division 1 Regional meet in girls tennis and placed third, putting them one point behind Rochester and three behind West Bloomfield.

"They were very focused," said Coach Becky Freeman. "I was impressed with the results. They had a good time, they played well and showed well."

Katie Brozovich defeated West Bloomfield's Morgan Taylor (6-2, 6-1) to take first place in number 2 singles.

She played strong throughout the day to keep her record undefeated and is currently 21-0 for the season.

Kristina Lucas in singles #3 lost her first match for the season to Aerielle Pendleton, from West Bloomfield (6-3, 6-1) to take second place for the day.

Gabby Spindler, singles #1, also took second after her loss to Kelsey Dieters from Rochester (6-0, 6-0). She had only had two previous losses, one to West Bloomfield, who she came back and beat two more times.

Abbey Aubregsen also placed second, singles #4, losing 6-1 and 6-3 to Kyra Shink, also from West Bloomfield.

Kelsey Crawford and Alice Wilson used their teamwork and defeated the Lady Lakers 6-1 and 7-6 in the doubles #4.

"They hadn't been partners for that long," said Freeman. "They got together and came in first place, beating West Bloomfield in the final and Rochester in the quarters. It wasn't like they had an easy flight. They had to play our toughest competition in both rounds. It's very encouraging they beat them both."

Anna Gencay and Amy Wozniak, doubles #3, lost to Rochester, taking second place for the day.

The girls head to Midland next week for the state finals.

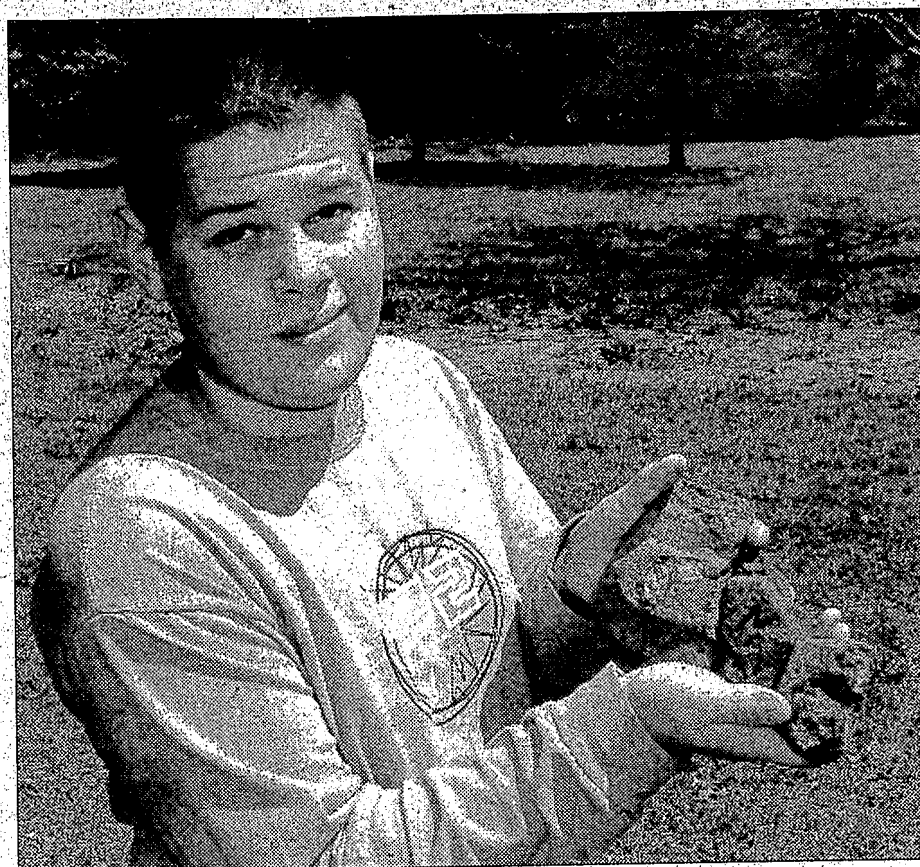
"Everyone is excited," said Freeman. "We are coming off of a really good regional. The girls are thinking positively. Morale is high."

The Lady Wolves could see their regional competition again at states but will find out more when the players are put into brackets this week. The results are posted Thursday on www.MHSAA.com.

No matter - they will be prepared and ready.

"Everyone is really excited to go to Midland and show what they have," said Freeman.

The state finals are held at Midland Tennis Center, June 4-5.



Johnathon Larson of Independence Township displays his find. Photo by Phil Custodio

Creek reveals history

Johnathon Larson was exploring Sashabaw Creek behind his house off Clintonville Road when something caught his eye.

"It's a rock, but it had a pattern in it," Larson said. "I thought, 'what's this?'"

The pieces seem to fit together and are engraved with the letters "M" and "N."

"Our neighbor who grew up here thought it could be part of an old road sign," said Maria Larson, his mother. "Why it would be way over here, we don't know."

Johnathon also found some old dutch dishes and old bottles in the creek. They plan on contacting Clarkston Area Historical Society for their insights.

Wherever they're from, it's a good lesson in Michigan history, said Maria, a former teacher.

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Using the system, officers can create and publish messages to be delivered to subscribed residents instantly via cell phone text messages and email.

"It's reliable and free for our group to use," LaCroix said.

Messages can be sent specifically to residents registered within a quarter mile radius, giving them the opportunity to receive information for their neighborhood directly from police. Standard text messaging rates apply, and the company promises no spam or hidden costs.

Register at www.nixle.com.

Oakland Christian hosts open house

Oakland Christian School hosts an open house for its new educational wing, 9-10 a.m., Wednesday, May 26.

The preschool-grade 3, Christ-centered school at 6300 Clarkston Road is opening a new 5,652 square foot, \$1.6 million wing. The new addition, constructed by John Stewart Associates, will house the Early Education Program as well as various other programs affiliated with Oakland Christian School.

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Local growers join together in new co-op

Local growers have banded together in a new co-op, Sashabaw Farm Market, 5438 Sashabaw Road.

"We're a bunch of people who love gardening," said Sharon Matzelle. "Everyone works together."

Matzelle and Laura Mason, Bill Pioch, Karrie Caldwell, Mike Falzetta, Alan Jaros bring more than 100 years of experience growing and selling at Clarkston Farmers Market, as well as markets throughout southeast Michigan.

"We all have fulltime jobs - you have to love it to do this," Matzelle said.

They also offer gardening tools made by Gary Campbell, Design Metal Craftsman, as well as artwork by Michigan artists.

Ideas include summer gardening classes, community gardening using raised beds, and worm composting, Matzelle said.

"This is a work in progress," she said. "We've been looking for years for a little, rustic garden. This past winter, I saw the forrest sign and called."

"If the community likes these ideas, we'll do more," Mason said.

The property includes five acres, with compost piles and orchard trees still bearing fruit.

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Shannon Matzelle, 9, waters some co-op flowers. Photo by Phil Custodio

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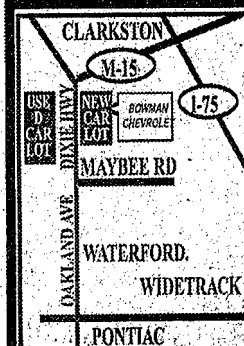
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People Poll

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What are your plans for Memorial Day?



— Michelle Goik

"It's a great time to spend with family."



— Shelly Ferguson

"I'd like to have a cookout, but I'll probably end up doing yardwork."



— Katie Kopsch

"We'll have a cookout, and it's my daughter's birthday."



— Don Miller

"Family cookout, a barbecue. It's a time to get together with friends and relax."

By Phil Custodio

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

Teen beats odds, makes a difference

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Sarah Angelini overcame many challenges to reach this point in her high school career. She has one more.

The graduating senior at Renaissance High School is set to go to Costa Rica this summer as part of the Rustic Pathways eco-service program.

"She's a great kid, an amazing kid," said Vicki Petrouneas-Mantzios, one of her teachers. "She's very dedicated to her studies."

"I'm interested in environmentalism — we have green houses, chickens, eggs," said Angelini, 17, who lives in Springfield Township with her parents, Mary and Mario.

The group of teens travels to Rancho Margot in Costa Rica, July 13-21, for its ecological program, working on community gardens and a wildlife preserve.

"I looked at a variety of trips, and this one fit best," she said. "It's the right kind of experience to help in college. It's the whole environmental thing, a way to help."

She volunteered in Pennsylvania last summer, working with scientists to study bacteria in the soil.

"It was a competitive scholarship, out of about 6,000," she said.

In her admission essay, she wrote about how she overcome obstacles in her life, including brain surgery in 2008.

She was diagnosed in October 2008, with Arnold Chiari Malformation Type I, a neurological disorder in which the brain descends out of the skull and crowds the spinal cord.

Surgeons removed the bottom part of her skull to relieve the pressure on her brain stem and spine.

"I missed two months of school — it took a long time to get back on my feet," Angelini said.

Symptoms affecting her for years included severe headaches, dizziness, and insomnia, hurt-



Sarah Angelini, here with her teacher, Vicki Petrouneas-Mantzios, plans to spend a couple weeks this summer working for the environment in Costa Rica. Photo by Phil Custodio

ing her work as a student in Holly Area School District, and she enrolled at Renaissance High two years ago.

"I'm doing better — I've been really motivated," Angelini said. "I had all A's and B's in my senior year."

"I'm really proud of her," Petrouneas-Mantzios said.

"She stands up for what's right — she doesn't back down. She's a driving force here. If she sees a classmate who's feeling down, she stops to help."

"I just care a lot about people," Angelini said. "I see goodness in everyone, and feel the need to help them."

After graduation, she plans to attend Oak-

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land Community College for a year, then Columbia or Warren Wilson college.

"I want to make documentaries about what families can do to be green — that's my passion," she said. "I'm always taking photos. It would be a good mix of people and photography."

Cost of the Rustic Pathways trip is \$1,695, plus airfare.

Angelini hosts a bowlathon fund raiser, 7 p.m., Saturday, May 29, at Cherry Hills Lanes, 6697 Dixie Highway — \$20 donation for three games, pizza, and pop. Donations can be made care of Renaissance High School.

For more information, email Angelini at sarahrusticpathwaystrip@gmail.com.



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Red, White, and Blue, this Box is for You, Desert Angel Miracle Box packing party, 4-7 p.m., June 3, Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road. 248-623-0444.

Downward Dog, original play, Clarkston Village Players original play, romantic comedy, 8 p.m., June 4-5, Depot Theater 4861 White Lake Road. 248-575-4104.

Plant Exchange, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, 9 a.m., June 5, parking lot at Washington and Main streets. Plants should be identified and tagged. Tags available at exchange of clarkstongardenclub.org. 248-620-2984.

Outdoor Expo and Warbird Air Show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., June 5, Pontiac Lake Recreation Area. Pontiac Miniature Aircraft Club to fly radio-controlled miniature aircraft from World War I era to modern day.

Home Tour for Clarkston SCAMP, June 5-6, features five local houses. Patron Night, tour, catered, '70s-style party, 5:30 p.m., June 5, \$100; Home tour, 12 p.m., June 6, box lunch in Depot Park. \$30. 248-620-1882.

Waterford Hills Road Racing Race #2, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., June 5-6. Great Lakes Challenge Series, with Formula Fords, Formula Continentals. Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road. 248-623-0444.

Parking Lot Sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., June 6. Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212

Around Town

A calendar of places to go, people to see and things to do

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group, 7 p.m., June 8, Carriage House, Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. Topic: "Celebration of Life Balloon Release." Free. 248-625-5231.

River Day activities, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., June 12, Depot Park. Weed, plant gardens, Eagle Scout Streambank Stabilization, invasive species identification and eradication demonstrations, face painting, rubber duck races, rain garden presentation. Free. 248-454-6856.

Golf Outing, 8 a.m., June 18, Fountains Golf and Banquet Center, 6060 Maybee Road. Breakfast, 18 holes with cart, lunch, drink cart, contests. \$99. Benefits Clarkston Area Youth Assistance. 248-623-4313.

Scientist for a Day day camp, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., June 22-25, Indian Springs Metropark Environmental Discovery Center, off White Lake Road. Students grades 2-4. \$75. 248-625-6640.

Adult Basketball League, 18 and over, 12-5 p.m., Sundays, Clarkston Junior High, 6595 Middle Lake. \$450/resident team. \$550/non-resident team. Referee fees are an additional cost. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

Pony Basketball League, for high school boys not on the school team, mid afternoons, Sundays, Clarkston Junior High, 6595 Middle Lake. \$200/resident team. \$300/non-resident

team. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

Mothers & More, non-profit dedicated to improving lives of mothers through support, education, advocacy, 7:15 p.m., third Monday, Red Knapp's Restaurant, 6722 Dixie Highway. 248-969-9788.

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

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

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Clarkston Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road. \$10. 248-625-4244.

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

Basic Yoga with Noreen Daly, beginning and intermediate techniques, Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m., \$7 per session. Bring mat. Peace Unity Church and Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-310-7878

Tai Chi with Tammy Cropp, gentle movements for healing, stress reduction, balance, increased flexibility, Tuesdays, 10 a.m. \$8 per session. Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-420-6119.

Co-Creating Healthy Families, Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., "Bradshaw on: The Family," PBS series presentation, support group, 7:30 p.m., Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-891-4365.

Clarkston Community Band rehearsals, 7 p.m., Tuesdays. Especially needed: percussion, clarinets, trumpets. \$30/semester. Band room, Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane. Independence Township Parks & Recreation, 248-625-8223.

Breast Cancer Support Group, first Tuesday, 7-9 p.m., 21st Century Oncology, 6770 Dixie Highway, Suite 106. 248-625-3841

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

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

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

Widowers and Widows On With Life Group, 7 p.m., first Tuesday, third Wednesday. Dinners, breakfasts, golf, social gatherings, rap. Please see Around Town on page 10B

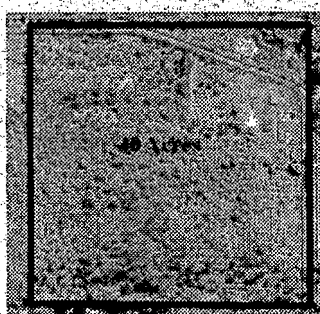
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Business student takes first in national conference

Though he just joined Business Professionals of America (BPA) just last fall, Tyler Barry beat out hundreds of the country's "best and brightest" at BPA's national leadership conference in Anaheim, Calif.

Barry, son of Mark and Lisa Barry of Clarkston, earned first place in an objective test on management, marketing and human resources concepts during his stay on the west coast, May 4-9.

The top score made him the first national champion for Lake Orion High School, where he is a senior.

"It's the best and brightest from across the country so it's great for him to have done so well," said Jennifer Ohlbright, Lake Orion High School's BPA advisor and one of Tyler Barry's teachers. "I'm extremely proud. There were 5,600 students in Anaheim, and to be a winner in any event is extremely impressive."

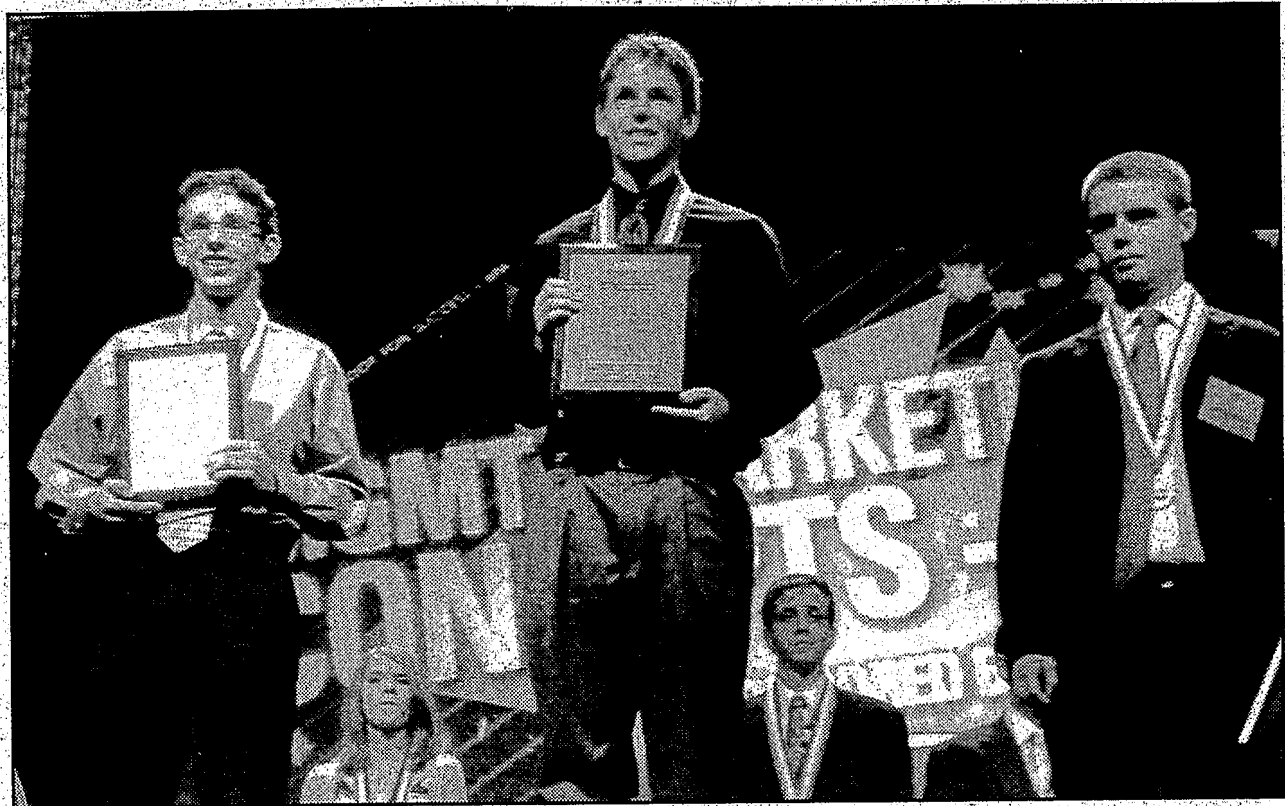
Barry says business and finance is something he began looking into a little over a year ago.

"Before I ever joined (BPA), I researched business a lot because that's what I want to do," he said, noting that information he needed for the test "was all prior knowledge."

The senior says he plans on studying financial management after high school at Northwood University in Midland, though he notes, "I'm not sure if I want to do corporate management or personal finance, like financial planning."

Barry's national title will earn him either \$2,500 or \$5,000 a year in scholarship money from the university.

This is the second time in 11 years of BPA participation that Lake Orion High School students have gone to nationals, making Barry one of four Dragons to participate.

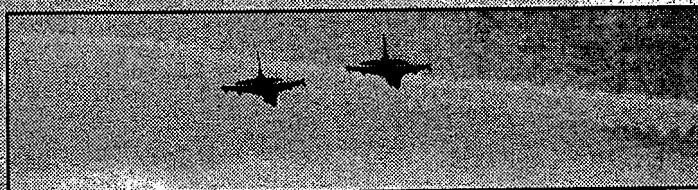


Tyler Barry (center) accepts his first-place award at Business Professionals of America's national leadership conference.

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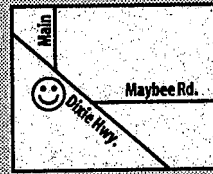
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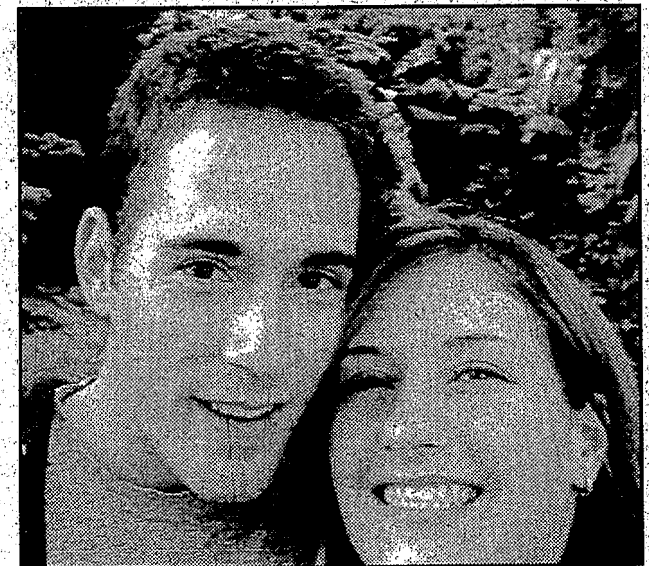
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Milestones

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Their wedding is set for June, 2010. The couple plan on making Clarkston their home.



Jennifer and John

Students achieve success

Oakland Schools Technical Campus Northwest students **Tiffany Settlemoir** of Clarkston and **Matthew Sweetman** of Holly were awarded scholarships by DENSO Oakland Schools Education Foundation.

Settlemoir will attend Oakland Community College in the fall, and Sweetman, Western Michigan University or Ferris State.

Michael Navarre, Jr. graduated May 2010 with a degree in Liberal Studies from Grand Valley State University. His parents, Mike and Vicki Navarre of Clarkston, celebrate his graduation, with academic excellence, achieving placement on the Dean's List. He has enlisted in the United States Air Force, pursuing a career in intelligence.

Scott Barnett graduated from John Marshall Law School of Chicago in May 2009.

He is a 2001 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 2005 graduate of the School of Electrical Engineering from Northwestern University.

Scott is employed by Vedder Price P.C. as an Intellectual Property Attorney in Chicago.

Clarkston UM students earning University and James B. Angell Scholar honors

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Davisburg students at University of Michigan earning University Honors include: **Christina Y. Carr**, College of Arts and Sciences; **Dayton R. Paul**, College of Arts and Sciences; **Diana Cristina Searl**, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy; **Katie M. Kirn**, School of Health Professions and Studies; **Roger J. Elsworth**, School of Health Professions and Studies; **Sean M. Haller**, School of Health Professions and Studies; and **Shannon H. Mash**, School of Art and Design. **Matthew J. Sternemann** of Davisburg, College of Arts and Sciences, earned University and James B. Angell Scholar honors.

Got a Milestone to share?

We'd love to see them – births, weddings, engagements, military, business and school achievements! You can drop them off at our downtown office at 5 S. Main St. or e-mail Clarkstonnews@gmail.com

Religion

Remember sacrifice of Memorial Day

We will soon be celebrating Memorial Day. I love to celebrate holidays like this. As a person who loves history, I understand the impact the past has on the present.

I especially like the aspect of this holiday, where we are commemorating the impact of the lives sacrificed for us on the field of battle.

When I was a kid, I remember my mom telling me about her brother who was killed in World War II.

He was actually killed by friendly fire, or Allied bombs, dropped in the confusion of the intensity of the battle.

The older I get, the more important to me the concept of the youth who sacrificed for us, but never had the opportunity to share in the great prosperity of our nation in the years following the war.

My mom told a story of her own mother who was warned in a dream of the loss of her son the night before they got the message. Grandma

of course broke in the pain of the loss of her son, but found comfort in the dream as it made her sense the sovereignty and concern of God from the warning she received from Him!

Oh the suffering of those years and what great prosperity and blessing it purchased for us.

We are living in a day when suffering and pain are seen as the enemy. It is certainly true that we should all want to avoid needless suffering and pain, but we also need to recognize the great benefit that pain has to offer. The greatest blessings in life will most certainly also involve pain.

Marriage is a great example of this concept. The Bible declares that marriage is a gift given to us by God.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Loren Covarrubias

In the beginning, when God created man He said, "it is not good for man to be alone I will create a helper suitable for him."

We surely need help in life, but what we need to help us oftentimes is just the opposite of what makes life pleasant. The woman that God made for Adam was one who would stand opposite of him. The word in the original translation literally means "one who stands in opposition to someone."

To reach one's highest potential in life, we often need someone to stand against us and convince us to do perhaps even what we do not want to do.

This concept alone will provide it's irritants, but then add the human perspective of all the other differences between a man and a woman and one can certainly agree with the author who wrote the book, "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus."

It is obvious that the only way

an arrangement like this can work is for pain and suffering to be a part of the equation.

Unfortunately, one of the greatest contributors to the high rates of marriage failure is our unwillingness to sacrifice ourselves and accept the pain necessary for long-term happiness.

The Bible tells us that God wanted a bride. This bride is the church—the collective of His people.

He wanted us so much that He was willing to pay the ultimate price. He gave His only begotten son for us by sacrifice on the cross, but it doesn't just stop there.

The Bible also says that if God was willing to offer such a sacrifice for us when we were just sinners, how much more is He willing to pay the price for us to become everything He wants us to be. What sacrifice to remember!

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

In our churches...

Church Rummage Sale, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., May 28; 9 a.m.-5 p.m., May 29; 12-3 p.m., May 30, St. Trinity Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw.

Summer Open House of Healing, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., June 5, Peace Unity Church and Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. Music, speakers, fellowship. 248-625-5192.

Metaphysical Bible Study, Sundays, 8:30 a.m., discover the inner, spiritual meaning behind the stories. Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

Bethany North, peer support to all faiths dealing with divorce or separation, general meeting, 7:30 p.m., fourth Monday, Cushing Center, St.

Church Directory

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625-4580
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5449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston
(248) 394-0200
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Sunday School 9:45 am
Preschool: 3-4 years old
Preschool: 620-6154

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248-625-1611
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Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman
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11:00 am Worship Service
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Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA
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Wednesday 7 pm
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Saturday June 5: Patron's Evening please arrive between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. in Depot Park. Guided home tour from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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and appetizers for those waiting for the tour to end and the party to begin! \$25 per person. Limited space.

Following the tour, private reception at Art Van Furniture Store, Waterford. Tickets are \$100 per person.

Sunday June 6: Check-in for the tour on Sunday is 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Depot Park with homes open from noon to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday reservation includes a tour of five homes and a delicious box lunch provided by Red Knapp's (chicken salad-croissant sandwich).

The lunches will be served at one of the homes. Sunday reservations, which include a box lunch are required in advance.

Tickets for the tour and box lunch are \$30. Tickets purchased on the day of the event (not including box lunch) will be \$30.

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What's the BIZ



Laura Kanatzer, Manager Lisa Gooch, Owner Larry Smith and Kevin Lawson, Pogoda Management Company are ready for the new units to open in June.

Maxx expands storage service

Maxx Self Storage has offered one-stop service for the past three-and-a-half years and now they are expanding.

They are building an additional 13,000 square feet of storage units for the community needs.

"We feel pretty fortunate in this economy to be expanding. Even with all the competition there is room to expand," said Larry Smith, owner.

"It says a lot about the product and how Larry has built it and Lisa Gooch is managing it well," said Kevin Lawson from Pogoda Management Company.

The two new buildings adds 60 units of various sizes to the facility and will open in June.

Maxx Self Storage not only offers storage

needs, boxes, bubble wrap, tape, and a U-Haul, but they also have a climate-controlled facility.

They have RV and boat storage, boat wrapping and a dump station and water reservoir for RVers.

They are holding a raffle for new tenants as well as existing tenants.

The winner, drawn on August 31, wins a 46-inch Sony LCD television, a BluRay disc player and dvds.

For more information, please visit Maxx Self Storage, during office hours on Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

They are located at 8483 Andersonville Road, 3/4 of a mile west of White Lake Road. Or call 248-620-0101.

Your personal asset allocation

As an investor, it is of utmost importance to be able to answer certain fundamental questions: *Will your current investment portfolio be able to meet both short- and long-term investment objectives, geared to your individual level of tolerance for risk?*

One sound way to answer these questions is by utilizing asset allocation — a disciplined, objective investment game plan that will help you meet your financial goals.

A simple asset allocation model for an individual investor generally requires a portfolio of assets divided into three categories — stocks, bonds and cash.

Each is assigned a fixed percentage. Based on this strategy, a conservative portfolio would generally contain more bonds and cash than stocks. A more aggressive portfolio might contain a higher percentage of stocks.

Asset allocation is flexible and revolves around personal needs. However, professional financial advisors have generally found that investors at various age levels tend to be best served by adopting allocation models that address the needs of their "life-cycle phase". In most cases, the longer your investment time horizon, the

more aggressive your investment strategy might be.

For example, investors in their 30s and 40s tend to have several needs and concerns in common (e.g., children, new home, college education, retirement planning). To address these concerns, an asset allocation plan that emphasizes stocks is often recommended because they historically have provided superior returns over time.

Even though past performance may not be indicative of future results. At the other end of the spectrum are investors who are close to or who have entered into retirement. Their goal might include providing enough income to maintain a lifestyle, or growth of their capital to ensure they do not outlive their assets. For these investors an above-average holding in bonds may be recommended.

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Business News

Christopher C. Smith of Clarkston recently joined as an associate Brooks Kushman P.C., a specialized intellectual property and commercial law firm.

In his new role, Smith will further bolster the IP litigation practice and will work with senior litigators at the firm on every aspect of the firm's cases, including discovery, depositions and trial preparation.



Smith

Before joining Brooks Kushman, Smith was an associate with Kirkland & Ellis L.L.P. in Los Angeles.

While in law school, Smith served as a judicial extern for the Honorable R. Gary Klausner, U.S. Federal District Court, Central District in Los Angeles, as well as a law clerk for Dobrusin & Thennisch P.C. in Birmingham, Mich.

Smith earned a juris doctor degree from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law and a Bachelor of Science in engineering from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Joseph M. Colucci of Clarkston, president of Automotive Fuels Consulting, earned the 2010 SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) International Medal of Honor.



Colucci

Colucci was honored with the annual award for improving SAE International technical meeting paper quality, session organization and environmental quality, technical sessions and committee activities, and its A World In Motion programs with local students.

Colucci is a 50-year member, former member of SAE International Board of Directors, and served on several activities and committees.

He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Michigan State University and a master's degree in mechanical engineering from the California Institute of Technology. He worked at General Motors Research Laboratories and Research and Development for 36 years.

Michele Chrzanowski joined Stars & Stripes Kids Activity Center as a permanent, full-time employee.

Chrzanowski is an Oakland University graduate with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. She worked part-time at Stars & Stripes since graduating from high school.

Local entrepreneur **David Lundin** recently launched a new Molly Maid busi-

ness, providing professional, reliable home cleaning services tailored to customers' lifestyles.

Molly Maid of Clarkston will also be giving back to the community through the Ms. Molly Foundation, established in 1996.

Michigan Vascular Centers and VeinSolutions achieved accreditation by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care.

Ambulatory health care organizations seeking accreditation by the AAAHC undergo an extensive self-assessment and on-site survey by volunteer physicians, nurses, and administrators who are actively involved in ambulatory health care. The survey is consultative and educational, presenting best practices to help and organization improve its care and services.

"We believe our patients deserve the best," stated David B. Wilson, M.D., FASC of Michigan Vascular Centers and VeinSolutions. "When you see our certificate of accreditation, you will know that the AAAHC, an independent, not-for-profit organization, has closely examined our facility and procedures. It means that we as an organization care enough about our patients to strive for the highest care possible."

The Clarkston office is located in the Clarkston Medical Building.

Colossal Closeouts, 4396 Dixie Highway, is celebrating its grand opening.

The store purchases closeouts and liquidation of merchandise including Holloway brand jackets, golf shorts, sport pants, bags, hoodies, sweats, blankets and other items, and offers them at prices lower than most discount stores.

Colossal also sells jewelry, brand-name petites, plus sizes, military wear, Michigan college apparel, and fashion accessories.

Summer selection includes Aeropostle, American Eagle, Eddie Bauer, Old Navy and other brand names.

Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, and 12-5 p.m., Sunday. For more information, call 248-461-6170.

Andiamo Express, Mesquite Creek's carryout store, now sells twelve Fusion Foods International's gourmet salsas.

"Not only do they have fabulous taste and all natural product but it has no fat, it uses honey not sugar, no gluten, no soy, low carbs, low sodium, no preservatives and it is made in Michigan," said Tony Vitale, general manager of Mesquite Creek. "We had several of our employees and our guests taste these twelve Fusion salsas. They all gave great reviews regarding the wonderful flavor and unique taste; that made the decision easy for us."

Lighthouse receives grant

Lighthouse of Oakland County was awarded an \$8,000 grant from Metro Health Foundation to help uninsured people purchase emergency prescriptions.

Grants are awarded based on criteria including provision of primary, physical health care to individuals who otherwise would not be able to afford treatment; those who work collaboratively to provide comprehensive care; and those who

truly "do a lot with a little."

"Lighthouse not only meets, but exceeds, these criteria through their emergency medical assistance programming," said Theresa L. Sondys, senior program officer, Metro Health Foundation.

Many individuals throughout the region do not have health insurance and out-of-pocket prescription costs continue to rise, said Tom Stowell, Lighthouse Emergency Services executive director.



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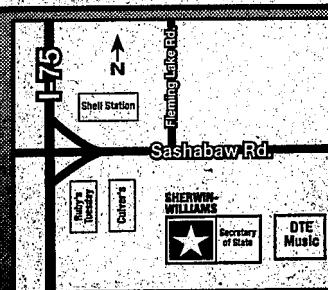


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New direction for center director

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After 11 years as Independence Township Senior Center Director, Margaret Bartos has decided to step down.

"It's just time," Bartos said, whose father recently passed away. "I'm not going to really retire. I just need some time off to collect myself see what else I want to do."

Bartos said she is proud of some of the things she was able to accomplish with her time here - one being the new Senior Center, which originally failed in two millage proposals.

"We were going for a community center originally because that's where things are going, but the community wouldn't support that," she said. "We just went smaller and smaller until they found money for this building, which we would have hoped to added onto and that still may happen."

She noted the building is almost completely furnished. The desks, computers, file cabinets, accordion door, tables and chairs, and blinds were purchased through block grant money.

"That was quite an exercise, just the whole move of this building and everything was a quite a group activity," she said. "Everybody pitched in and was a very good team."

After getting a degree in Gerontology (the study of aging) from Madonna University in 1994 Bartos was able to see the Independence Township Senior Center was "very much behind the times" and set out on the challenge to change it and bring it up to date.

"We updated all the programming and philosophy of aging, so hopefully they look at aging more positively," she said.

"They're not afraid to admit they're 55, 60, and 65 years old."

She attributes much of the success to her volunteers and staff members who she says due to cuts some have "fallen by the wayside."

"We have some very talented, skilled, hardworking and dedicated staff that worked very well together," Bartos said. "We've had a very good team of people all ages."

Bartos is also glad she was able to bring the Senior Advisory Committee, which was "very low key" by adding younger, more active people with more diversified experiences and skills.

"They're quite a political force in the community. They speak for the older residents in the community," she said. "Also proud we have our new 'Friends of the Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center,' a 501C3 organization, which is an offshoot of the senior advisory. The thought is people are more likely to give to a 501C3 rather than any township."

She also noted she was happy about the new handicap assessable garden.

Bartos grew up in Northern Virginia. She graduated from William & Mary with a Bachelor's in history and started out as a history teacher.

"The kids called me a Yankee school teacher," she said.

After getting married she lived in six different states. Her husband worked for the auto industry. They have three

children. Marybeth lives in Rochester Hills, working for a small school, does freelance writing and voiceovers. Greg lives in Miami and is a pilot for American Airlines, and Gary who lives with his wife Mickey in Boston.

Bartos later went on to get her Associates Degree in business from Oakland Community College.

"As far as activities I was always involved in the schools and I got involved with older people as soon as my baby went out the door for first grade. I always wanted to work with older people," she said.

"I had one grandparent I only saw a few times when I was growing up and I think that's a big gap for a person."

She started out in Pennsylvania with "Meals on Wheels" and was very active the nursing home as a volunteer. When she moved back to Michigan in 1983 she worked for the "Older Person's Commission and Outreach" in Rochester for two years as well as programming for two years. She returned seven years later to become the assistant director, as well as a year at Botsford hospital in Farmington Hills.

Bartos said she is very thankful for all the sponsors and churches that allowed them to use space when they didn't have enough room.

"I've enjoyed relationship with a lot of members of the community," she said. "It's a very tight knit community."

However, Bartos said she will miss the people the most.

"The staff, the seniors, the senior advisory people the volunteers, and I'm going to miss the park," she said. "What am I not going to miss is getting up at 5:30 a.m., the traffic on M-59, and (working) long hours."



Bartos

Calendar of events

Pickleball for Adults 50+, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., two hours; \$3; Fridays, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., and Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., three hours, \$4. First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. All skill levels welcome. 248-625-8231.

50+ Golf, Tuesday mornings through Aug. 24. Heather Highland, 11450 E. Holly Road. Non-league play. \$12 one-time registration at Independence Township Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231. \$8 greens fee.

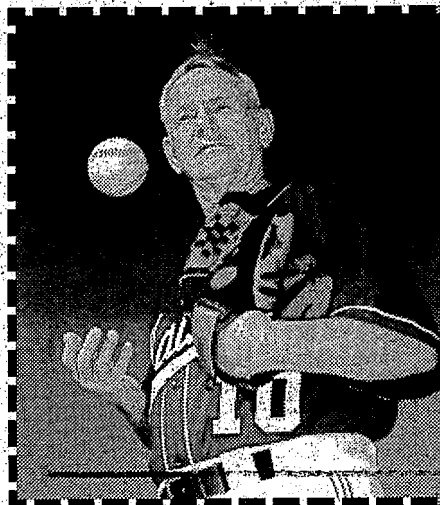
Evening Country Line Dancing for 50+, Tuesdays, June 8-July 27, 7-8 p.m. Community Room, Clarkston Specialty Healthcare, 4800 Clintonville Road. \$40. 248-625-8231.

Morning Line Dancing, Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Country, Spanish salsa, rock and roll, cha cha, with Rosemary Hall. \$3 drop in.

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., made-from-scratch. \$5 donation. Independence Township Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Make reservation by Monday before, 248-625-8231.

Young At Heart Active Adults, Springfield Township Parks and Rec, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., lunch at noon. Guest speakers, music, field trips, parties, movies, games. Hart Community Center in Davisburg. \$5/annual. \$4/lunch.

Woodcarving 50+, Fridays, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., June 4, 11, 18, 25, Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Instructor Dave Shaw. Project will be a donkey. \$40 plus small fee for wood. 248-625-8231.



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Obituary

Alfred McConkey, 70

Alfred McConkey, "Dennis," of Clarkston and Zephyrhills, Fla., passed away, May 17, 2010, at age 70.

He was the husband of Rachel for 45 years; father of Robert (Cindy) McConkey of Waterford and Tina (Mick) Simpkinson of Holly; grandfather of Austin, Jeremy and Courtney; great grandfather of three.

Mr. McConkey retired from Truck & Bus as a Millwright after 32 years. He loved spending winters in Florida.

Funeral service was May 21 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Promise Village, Holly or Faith Church for kid's camps. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Joseph M. Kovacik, 75

Joseph M. Kovacik of Clarkston passed away, May 15, 2010, at age 75.

He was the husband of Gloria for 53 years; father of Cynthia Kovacik of Clarkston; grandpa of James Kovacik and Joseph Wayne; brother of Tom (Lucille) Kovacik of Tennessee and John (Vickie) Kovacik of Shelby Township; also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Kovacik served in the U.S. Army. Military honors will be held Wednesday, June 16, at 1 p.m., at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Patricia A. Bunker

Patricia A. Bunker of Farmington Hills passed away, May 21, 2010, at age 84.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, Jay. She was the mother of Ann Russell of Indiana and Patricia "Sue" (Ron) Baetens of Clarkston; preceded in death by her son, Lee (Patty) of Grand Rapids; also survived by seven grandchildren.

Mrs. Bunker graduated from Southeastern High School, Detroit, and earned a Bachelor's degree from University of Michigan, majoring in physics.

Scripture service, Thursday, 7 p.m., at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Thursday, 3-5 and 7-9 p.m., and directly at the church, Friday, 9:30 a.m., until time of Mass. Funeral Mass, Friday, 10 a.m., at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society or Focus Hope. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Neal Philpott Sr., 82

Neal V. Philpott Sr. of Alpena, formerly of Clarkston, passed away, May 22, 2010, at age 82.

He was the husband of Donna; father of Neal, Jr. of Oregon, Steven of Ortonville, and John of Posen; grandpa of Melissa (Steve) Speagle and Zachary; and great grandpa of Ryder.

Mr. Philpott retired after 43 years from Pontiac Motor Division as a toolmaker and was past President/Director of Chief Pontiac Federal Credit Union for 15 years. He was a life member of B.P.O. Elks, Pontiac Lodge #810 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Funeral Service is Thursday, 10 a.m., at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Wednesday, 6-9 p.m. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Charles E. Wallace, 86

Charles E. Wallace of Clarkston passed away, May 24, 2010, at 86 years of age.

He was the loving husband of Sally D. for almost 30 years; beloved father of Charles M. (Donna) Wallace, Barbara Wallace, Susan (Michael) McCullough, Mary (Ted) Wilkinson, Michael Wallace and Elizabeth Wallace; step father of Susan Krumrey and Shelly (Chris) Beer; also survived by several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mr. Wallace retired from GM Pontiac as Power Superintendent, and was a proud veteran of the Merchant Marine serving during WW II. Charley enjoyed golf, water and snow skiing, boating and RV'ing. His most recent sport at age 84 was riding a Yamaha 1200 cc motorcycle with a training wheel kit.

A celebration of Charley's life will be held Saturday, May 29, 2010 10:00 a.m. at **Coats Funeral Home**, Clarkston. The family will receive friends, Saturday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home. Interment with full military honors will follow at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association.

To send a private condolence to the family go to www.coatsfuneralhome.com and select guestbook.



Around Town

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sessions for ages 35-80. 248-393-8553.

Widowed Friends, Tuesdays, 12 p.m., Collier Bowling Alley, 879 S. Lapeer Road, Oxford. \$2 per game. 248-628-5437 or 248-877-6692.

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

De-Stress Gentle Yoga, Wednesdays through April 4, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. \$42 for seven weeks. Drop in, \$7. 248-625-8231.

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

Local Business Network, Ortonville/Clarkston Chapter, first and third Thursdays meets, 7:45-8:45 a.m., Harvestland Ministries, 5848 Clintonville Road. 248-505-5091.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at a regularly-scheduled meeting held on May 13, 2010, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield adopted amendments to Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26, which amendments are set forth herein and shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of this Notice of Adoption.

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

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

Section 1: Amendments

ARTICLE II - DEFINITIONS, is hereby amended to read as follows:

WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM (WECS) shall mean any structure such as a wind charger, windmill, or wind turbine that converts wind energy to a form of usable energy.

a. Private WECS shall mean any WECS that is accessory to a principal dwelling or use located on the same zoning lot, is designed and built to serve the needs of the principal use and that provides power to an electric utility's grid as a function secondary to supporting electricity to the principal dwelling.

b. Commercial WECS shall mean any WECS that is designed and built to provide electricity as an ongoing commercial enterprise.

ARTICLE XVI - GENERAL PROVISIONS, Section 16.10 - Exception to Height Limits is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 16.10 - Exception to Height Limits: No building or structure shall be erected, converted, enlarged or structurally altered to exceed the height limit hereinafter established for the district in which the building is located. Exceptions shall be subject to the following provisions:

1. Roof structures for the housing of elevators, stairways, tanks, ventilating fans, or similar equipment required to operate and maintain the building, and fire or parapet walls, skylights, towers, steeples, stage lofts, and screens, flagpoles, chimneys, individual domestic radio and television aerials, energy conservation devices, roof-mounted Wind Energy Conversion Systems, water tanks, or similar structures may be erected above the height limits herein prescribed. However, no such structure may be erected to exceed by more than fifteen (15) feet the height limits of the district in which it is located; nor shall such structure have a total area greater than ten (10) percent of the roof area of the building; nor shall such structure be used for any residential purpose or any commercial or industrial purpose other than a use incidental to the main use of the building.
2. Public communication or public utility microwave towers shall be subject to the provisions of section 16.09.

ARTICLE XVI - GENERAL PROVISIONS, Section 16.27 - Wind Energy Conversion Systems is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 16.27 - Wind Energy Conversion Systems:

1. Intent - It is the intent of Springfield Township to permit the effective and efficient use of Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS) by regulating the siting, design, and installation of such systems to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. In no case shall this ordinance guarantee the wind rights or establish access to the wind.
2. Approval Required - Except where noted in this Section, it shall be unlawful to construct, erect, install, alter, or locate any WECS project within Springfield Township unless:
 - a. For a private WECS, A permit is obtained from the Township.
 - b. For a commercial WECS, A Special Land Use has been obtained pursuant to Section 18.08 and this section.
3. General Standards - The following standards shall apply to all private and commercial wind energy conversion systems in Springfield Township:
 - a. Design Safety Certification: The safety of the design of all private and commercial WECS structures shall be certified by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Michigan and reviewed by the Township. The standard for certification shall be included with the permit application. If approved, the Professional Engineer shall certify that the construction and installation of the private or commercial WECS project meets or exceeds the manufacturer's construction and installation standards, and any applicable State

and Federal regulations.

- b. Controls and Brakes. All commercial WECS structures shall be equipped with manual and automatic controls to limit rotation of blades to a speed not to exceed the designed limits of the WECS. The Professional Engineer must certify that the rotor and overspeed control design and fabrication conform to applicable design standards. No changes or alterations from certified design shall be permitted unless accompanied by a Professional Engineer's statement of certification. Brakes are not required for a private WECS.
 - c. Setbacks. All private and commercial WECS structures must be setback from property lines at a distance equal to or greater than one and one half (1.5) times the height of the structure, measured from the base of the structure to its highest point, including any blades.
 - d. Climb Prevention. All private and commercial WECS structures must be protected by one or more of the following anti-climbing devices as determined by the Township:
 - (1) Fences with locking portals at least six (6) feet high;
 - (2) Anti-climbing devices twelve (12) feet from base of pole; or
 - (3) Anchor points for guy wires supporting tower shall be enclosed by a six (6) foot high fence or shall be located within the confines of a yard that is completely fenced.
 - e. Interference. All private or commercial WECS structures shall be designed and operated to minimize or mitigate interference with existing electromagnetic communications, such as radio, telephone, microwave or television signals.
 - f. Noise Levels. The noise level for either a private or commercial WECS structure shall comply with the standards set forth in Section 17.03 - Noise.
 - g. Signs. Use of the WECS shall be limited to conversion of wind energy to a form of usable energy and shall not provide any other function, including signage for purposes other than safety.
4. Additional Standards for Commercial WECS Structures - The following additional standards shall apply to all commercial wind energy conversion systems in Springfield Township.
- a. Color. Towers and blades shall be finished in a permanent non-reflective neutral color that is approved by Springfield Township or otherwise required by law.
 - b. Compliance with FAA. It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to obtain the appropriate FAA permits for the WECS structure, or to obtain a determination of no significant impact to air navigation from the FAA.
 - c. Warnings. A visible warning sign of High Voltage shall be required to be placed at the base of all commercial WECS structures. The sign must have at a minimum six (6") inch letters with 3/4-inch stroke. Such signs shall be located a maximum of three hundred (300) feet apart and at all points of site ingress and egress.
 - d. Annual Inspection. Every commercial WECS structure must be inspected annually by a Professional Engineer to certify that it is in good working condition and not a hazard to the public. Such records shall be submitted to Springfield Township and considered a part of the continuing special use permit.
 - e. Liability Insurance. The owner or operator of a commercial WECS structure shall maintain a current insurance policy with coverage limits acceptable to the Township to cover installation and operation of the WECS project. The amount of the policy shall be established as a condition of special use permit approval.
 - f. Security. The application shall include a description of security to be posted at the time of receiving a building permit for the facility to ensure removal of the WECS when it has been abandoned or is no longer needed, as provided in section 4. In this regard, the security shall be in the form of: cash or irrevocable letter of credit.
 - g. Removal. A condition of every approval of a commercial WECS structure shall be adequate provision for removal of all or part of the facility by users and owners upon the occurrence of one or more of the following events:
 - (1) When the WECS structure or portion of a structure has not been used for 180 days or more. For purposes of this section, the removal of equipment, or the cessation of operations shall be considered as the beginning of a period of non-use. The applicant shall notify the Township upon cessation of operations or removal of equipment.
 - (2) Upon the occurrence of one (1) or more of the events requiring removal, specified in

paragraph (1) above, the property owner or persons who had used the facility shall immediately apply or secure the application for any required demolition or removal permits, and immediately proceed with and complete the demolition/removal, restoring the premises to an acceptable condition as reasonably determined by the Township.

- (3) If the required removal of a facility, or a portion thereof has not been lawfully completed within sixty (60) days of the applicable deadline, and after written notice, the Township may remove or secure the removal of the facility or required portions thereof, with its actual cost and reasonable administrative charge to be drawn or collected from the security posted at the time application was made for establishing the facility.

5. Ecological Impact. The Township may require a study to be conducted by a qualified professional, such as an ornithologist or wildlife biologist, to determine any potential impacts the commercial WECS structure may present to migratory birds, bats or any other species.

6. Ancillary Structures and Uses. Approval of a special land use under this provision does not extend to any accessory structures or uses to the WECS. All other such accessory structures or uses must be a lawful land use and meet all applicable requirements of the ordinance.

Section 2. Balance of Ordinance Remains in Effect
The balance of Ordinance No. 26 shall remain in full force and effect, except as specifically modified herein.

Section 3. Repealer

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

Section 4. Severability

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

Section 5. Effective Date

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

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 26 adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board held on the 13th day of May, 2010. Documents pertaining to the adopted amendments may be inspected or obtained at the office of the Springfield Township Clerk, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 at all times said office is open for business. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

LAURA MOREAU, Clerk

Published: May 26, 2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MAY 13, 2010
SYNOPSIS**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:33 p.m. by Pro Tem Chairperson Lamont

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA ADDITIONS & CHANGES: Removed New Business #1: Internship program approval

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Approved Minutes: April 15, 2009 Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$372,488.39
- b) Accepted April Treasurer's Report
- c) Received April 2010 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Ordinance, Police, Fire and IT
- d) Received Committee Reports: Budget, Finance & Pathways
- e) Authorized payment of bills as presented, totaling \$135,793.07
- f) Received 2009 Audit from Pfeiffer, Hanniford & Palka
- g) Adopted Resolution Approving Submission of Parks & Recreation Millage Proposition to Electors
- h) Designated Supervisor Trout and Chief Oaks as Township Coordinators for the Federal Surplus Program
- i) Accepted Fema Grant Agreement and authorize Fire Chief to complete projects
- j) Authorized Chief Oaks to purchase six sets of turn out gear from Douglas Safety Equipment not to exceed \$8,370
- k) Received Communications and placed on file

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Volunteer opportunities

Volunteer with Avalon Hospice, two hours a week or more, 800-664-6334; Oakland County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, 248-559-1147; McLaren Hospice, 248-320-0106; Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Oakland County, 55+, 248-559-1147 ext. 3427.

1. Second Reading, Amendments to Ordinance No. 26, Article II and Article XVI, Sections 16.10 and 16.27: Adopted amendments

2. International Fire Code: Tabled to June meeting pending review by Fire Chief and continued assembly of fee information

3. Lumberyard Property: Received status report regarding utilities at site. Board requested property manager to obtain bids for demolition and roof repair

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Parks & Recreation Presentation: Stewardship and management plan - Received presentation by Director Tucker

2. Budget Amendments: General Fund and Parks & Recreation Fund - Adopted amendments as follows: General Fund Revenues increased to \$2,134,900 Expenditures increase to \$2,123,900. Parks & Recreation Fund Revenues increase to \$532,875 and Expenditures increase to \$532,873

3. Energy Efficiency Block Grant: Accept Bids - Adopted Resolution to collaborate with the Charter Township of Independence and the Village of Clarkston to enter into an agreement with Energiychek to conduct energy audits, conservation strategies and public education programs at a cost not to exceed \$25,120

PUBLIC COMMENT: Treasurer Dubre commented that the Springfield Township Spring Clean-up was held on Saturday, May 8th, while the event was not very busy, the Township collected \$1,212 in fees.

Clerk Moreau commented that the Davisburg Beautification Day held on April 24 was a great success and thanked the more than 70 volunteers who helped. Also Smith's Disposal was recognized for their partnership effort and responsiveness

ADJOURNMENT: 8:59 p.m.

Laura Moreau, Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

**REQUEST FOR BIDS
- TOWNSHIP VEHICLES**

The Charter Township of Springfield will receive sealed bids for 2010 Model Vehicles at the Supervisor's office until 11:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on Monday, June 7, 2010. Bidders may obtain Bid Documents from the office of the Charter Township of Springfield beginning Monday, May 24, 2010 during regular business hours; or downloaded at www.springfield-twp.us. No deposit is required. The offices of Springfield Township are located at 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350. 248-846-6500.

Springfield Township continually strives to develop quality sources for goods and services and encourages all prospective bidders to respond to the Invitation to Bid.

Springfield Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities, and to accept a bid which, in the Owner's opinion, is in the Owner's own best interests.

Published: May 26, 2010

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2010-329, 661-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate**

Estate of Alan W. Peterson, Deceased: Date of birth: 01/18/1940

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Alan W. Peterson, who lived at 6191 Mallard Ct., Clarkston, Michigan died 02/16/2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary A. Peterson, 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.

Jon M. Gaskell (P24559)
20 W. Washington Ste. 11
Clarkston, MI 48346
(248) 625-8010

05-17-10
Mary A. Peterson
6191 Mallard Ct.
Clarkston, MI 48346
(248) 763-7868

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on May 18, 2010, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a First Reading of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. The following is the proposed Ordinance Amendment:

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
ORDINANCE NO. 83A-10-

TEXT AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 83, BEING CHAPTER 50 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE CODE, FOR THE PURPOSES OF AMENDING SECTION 50-4 TO ADD A DEFINITION OF THE TERM "MOTOR VEHICLE FUELING STATION" AND TO AMEND SECTION 50-539 TO ALLOW MOTOR VEHICLE FUELING STATIONS AS A SPECIAL LAND USE IN THE C-2 PLANNED SHOPPING CENTER DISTRICT, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 of Ordinance

Ordinance Amendment. The Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance No. 83, as amended, being Chapter 50 of the Independence Charter Township Code, is amended such that the following definition of "motor vehicle fueling station" shall be added, in alphabetical order, to the existing definitions contained Article I, "In General," Section 50-4, "Definitions":

Motor vehicle fueling station means a facility limited to retail sales of gasoline, motor oil, lubricants, and travel aides, and may include convenience food and beverages, but shall not include a restaurant and/or drive-through facility.

Section 2 of Ordinance

Ordinance Amendment. The Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance No. 83, as amended, being Chapter 50 of the Independence Charter Township Code, is amended such that Article III, "Districts," Division 14, "C-2 Planned Shopping Center," Section 50-539, "Special Land Uses in Accordance With Section 50-848" shall read as follows:

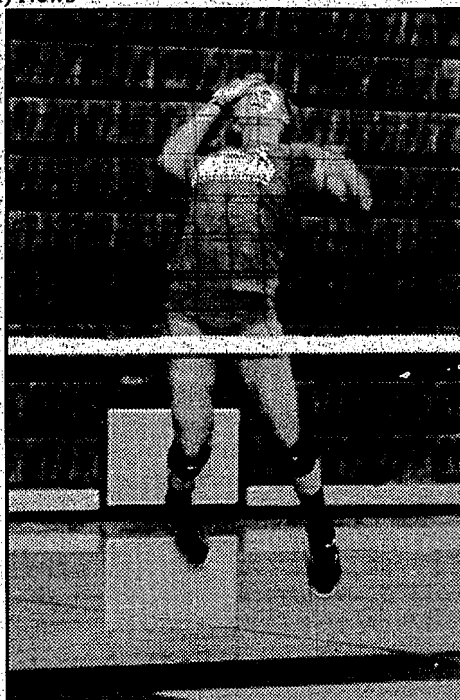
Section 50-539. Special Land Uses in Accordance With Section 50-848.

The following special land uses shall be permitted in the C-2 planned shopping center district subject to the requirements and standards of section 50-848 and all other standards of this chapter:

- (1) Any permitted principal use that exceeds 75,000 square feet in gross floor area;
- (2) Drive-through restaurants;
- (3) Bar/lounge;
- (4) Hotels and motels; and
- (5) Motor vehicle fueling stations that are incidental to principal retail use located within a planned shopping center, subject to all of the following:
 - (a) The portion of the site occupied by the motor vehicle fueling station shall not exceed five percent (5%) or one (1) acre, whichever is less, of the planned shopping center site.
 - (b) A single building servicing the fuel islands that does not exceed one thousand (1,000) square feet in size shall be permitted.
 - (c) Access to the motor vehicle fueling station shall be provided solely from drives which are internal to the planned shopping center. Separate access from the motor vehicle fueling station to a public road shall be prohibited.
 - (d) Vehicular access to and circulation within the motor vehicle fueling station site shall control the flow of traffic and be arranged in a manner that will not create a hazard to motorists and pedestrians.
 - (e) Canopy and building design and materials shall be compatible with and visually complement the design of the planned shopping center. All sides of the building shall be of a consistent architectural style and constructed of similar materials.
 - (f) Exterior lighting shall comply with the standards set forth in Section 50-851(f). Canopy lighting shall be recessed.
 - (g) In addition to meeting all applicable requirements of Section 50-846, the perimeter boundary of the fueling station site shall be defined with curbing and landscaping.

Section 3 of Ordinance

Severability. If any section, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such section, clause or provision declared to be



Jenna Coates jumps for the hit in the Jimmy V tournament on May 19.

unconstitutional, void or illegal shall thereby cease to be a part of this Ordinance, but the remainder of this Ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.

Section 4 of Ordinance

Savings. Except as expressly set forth above, the Zoning Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired, or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they were commenced.

Section 5 of Ordinance

Effective. This ordinance shall be effective on the date provided by applicable law following publication.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

By: Shelagh VanderVeen, Township Clerk

Published: 5/26/2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
MAY 18, 2010

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. Roll Call: Present: VanderVeen, Lohmeier, Wallace, Rosso, Petterson, Carson
Absent: Wagner
3. The Agenda was amended by moving #2 to #1 under New Business.
4. The public forum opened at and closed with no one speaking
5. The following Consent Agenda items were approved:
 - a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2020
 - b. Approval of Insurance Policy for On-Call Fire Fighters
6. Dan Stencil from Oakland County Parks and Recreation gave a presentation on their park system and upcoming millage campaign
7. Approved First Reading of a Text Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to Permit Motor Vehicle Fueling Stations as a Special Land Use in the C-2 Planned Shopping Center District.
8. Susan Hendricks presented a review of 2009 and 2010 actual financial data
9. Treasurer Carson presented the 2010 First Quarter Investment Report
10. Approved Accounts Payable Check run except MMRMA and HRC
11. Scheduling departments for budget meetings
12. Statements and Correspondence
13. The meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

Published: 5/26/2010

Students LEAD the way

Ruthie Hutchons sat with her pad of paper and pen in hand.

The spotlight shined on her in the Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center as she thought for a moment.

"Dear Santa," she spoke as she began writing on the paper.

The poem for Wolvestock 2010 wasn't about about what she desired for Christmas, but a comedic letter from Mrs. Claus to her husband about her frustrations in the relationship and her plans for the future.

She performed it during Wolvestock, the last main event during last week as high school students and the community raised money for various charities.

The night featured music, dance, poetry and acting in the auditorium while patrons could appreciate art the students created during the year in the media center.

The events were organized and ran by the high school's Leadership Education and Development, each day featured a different event to raise money.

Students, friends and family came out for the 5th Annual Poetry Slam to help the Care House of Oakland County, the leading resource in prevention of child abuse and neglect.

Students and high school staff members

battled cancer on the court in the Jimmy V Volleyball tournament. Admission and buying a heart went to the V Foundation - funding cancer research and related programs.

The money raised from admission and concession during Wolvestock went to the Covenant House, providing shelter and services to children and youth who are homeless

Funds were also raised during last week for the Clarkston Food Bank.

The LEAD program is ran by the students and they recently received the Oakland Schools and Oakland Press Excellence in Education Program Award.

"The students do what they do because it's the right thing to do," said Aaron Dobson, LEAD Advisor. "An award doesn't impact it either way, but it does help them see they are making an impact. People appreciate their commitment to others and that they accept the challenge to grow as people."

Other programs receiving the award are ran by staff and administrators in their respective districts.

"I was proud the hard work, innovation, and service of these amazing Clarkston students was respected and held up along the work of adults," said Dobson.

~Wendi Reardon



Bri Minardo sings "I Felt Free" with Emily Mai during Thursday's Wolvestock. Photos by Wendi Reardon

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