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Season of lights

Clarkston Rotarians and volunteers decorated downtown Main Street with lights, garlands, and ropes of greens twisted around light poles last week, setting the scene for downtown Clarkston's annual Holiday Lights Parade, 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 11.

Hosted by Clarkston High School's Team RUSH, the parade starts at Clarkston Community Education, 6558 Waldon Road, and marches north to St. Daniel's Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive off Holcomb Road.

Independence Township Parks and Recreation hosts Holiday Lights Night in Depot Park after the parade.

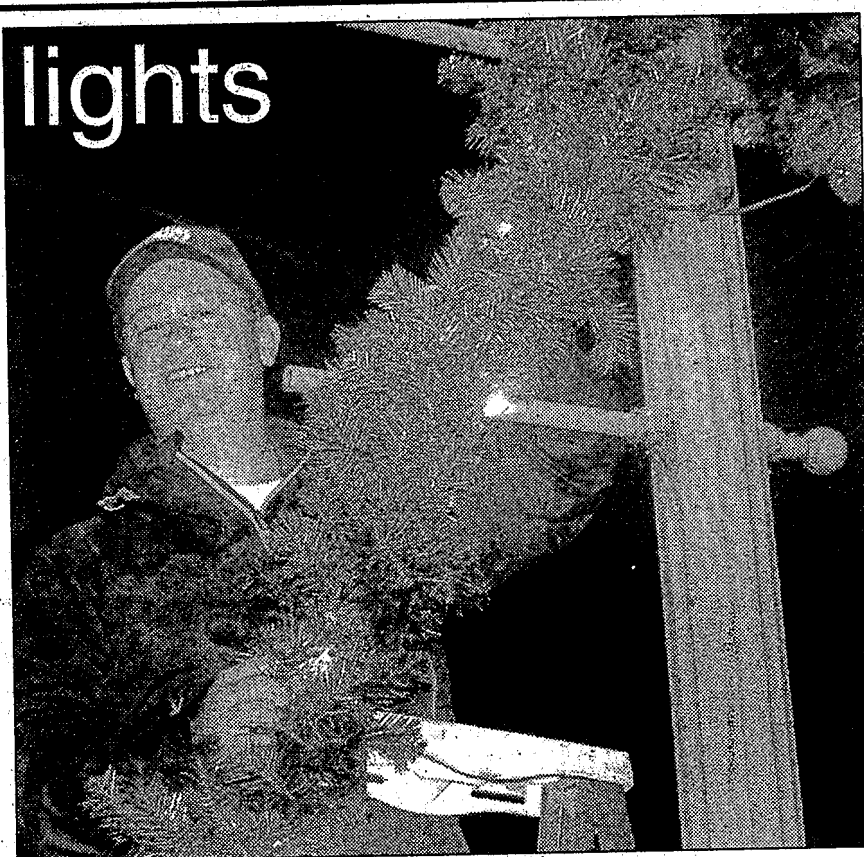
Santa will read a story and lead the crowd in a tree lighting ceremony, as well as accept letters. Activities also include caroling, Christmas carols, free coffee, hot cocoa, s'mores, and popcorn, children's games and crafts, and live reindeer.

Park at St. Daniel's, downtown Clarkston lots, Depot Park, Community Ed, Clarkston Elementary and Clarkston Junior High parking lots.

All activities are outside, so dress warm.

For more information, call parks and rec at 248-625-8223 or check www.itpr.org.

- Phil Custodio



Brad Evans, Clarkston Rotary president, decorates a lightpole.

Last call for care package donations

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

American Legion Post 63 members, Clarkston students, and volunteers packed and shipped 200 care packages for troops overseas, Dec. 2. But they have a list of 300 names, postage paid.

"That means 100 of our names that we had would not be receiving anything," said Peg Roth, American Legion Auxiliary member. "We decided to make a last minute attempt to see how many more we can fill."

One last packing party of the season is set for Thursday, Dec. 9, at American Legion Post 63 hall.

Donations can be dropped off at the Clarkston News building, 5 S. Main Street; American Legion Hall, 8047 Ortonville Road; or Clarkston Mills, 20 W. Washington.

"Or call me at 248-462-3008 and I will make arrangements to have them picked up," Roth said. "Thank you for any donations you are able to make and if you prefer to contribute money, checks need to be made out to 'American Legion Unit 63' and we will do the shopping."

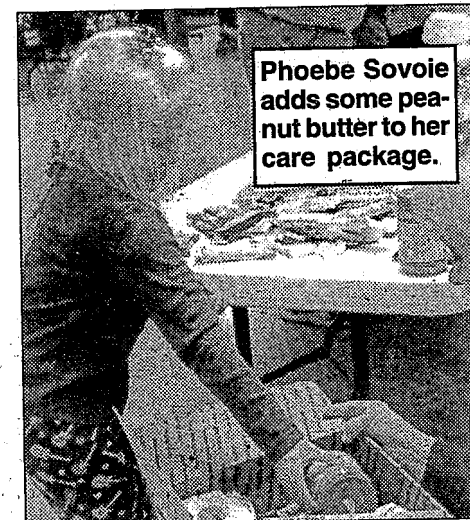
Items requested by troops include writing paper, ink pens, white socks, roll on/stick

Please see Troops on page 3A



Candlelight of truth

About 50 people, mostly Clarkston High School students, huddle together in the cold, Saturday night at Depot Park for the anti-bullying We Will Light Your Path - You Are not Alone candlelight vigil. Please see page 10A for more pictures from the vigil. Photo by Phil Custodio



Phoebe Sovoie adds some peanut butter to her care package.

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Reindeer visit to help Toys for Tots

The Birdfeeder and Clarkston Flower Shoppe welcomes Santa's Real Live Reindeer, 12-4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 19.

"Santa's sleigh has already landed at The Birdfeeder," said Steve Stroud, Birdfeeder owner.

All who attend will receive a professional photograph with the reindeer, and have the opportunity for Santa to sign their copy of the classic Christmas story "Twas ' the Night before Christmas." The Birdfeeder will sell the books for children to get signed. They will also take photos of Santa with children who bring a new unwrapped toy to donate to Toys for Tots of Oakland County.

Stroud's goal is to fill the red sleigh with donations for Toys for Tots.

"We have a large goal to meet, but know the compassionate families in the area will make it possible for us to fill this sleigh," he said.

The Birdfeeder and Clarkston Flower Shoppe will collect new unwrapped children's toys through Dec. 19.

"We wanted to create an event where children would experience something unique, like meeting Santa's reindeer," Stroud said "But didn't want to shy too far away from what the season is all about. That is why we chose to partner with Toys for Tots of Oakland County to help local families right here in our own community."

For more information, call The Birdfeeder and Clarkston Flower Shoppe, 7150 Main Street, at 248-625-9711 or check www.Thebirdfeedermi.com.



Clarkston Flower Shoppe owner Shari Schulz and The Birdfeeder on N. Main Street hope people fill the sleigh with donations for Toys for Tots. Photo by Phil Custodio

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Christmas concert with Community Band

Clarkston Community Band performs in concert, 7 p.m., Monday, Dec. 13, at Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center, 6093 Flemings Lake Road

Special guests include Quintus Brass Quintet performing "Suite from Mass" and

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Briefly

Budget hearing

Public hearing on Springfield Township's 2011 budget is 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 9.

Following the hearing, Township Board is set to discuss the proposed \$5.7 million budget, including General Fund, fire, police, parks and recreation, and other funds.

The total 2010 budget is about \$5.6 million budget. For more information, call 248-946-6500.

Desert Angel party

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club hosts another packing party opportunity, organized by Desert Angel Miracle Box, 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 9.

Suggested items for donation include new, black or white socks for men and women, homemade cookies, instant cocoa, Christmas music CDs, small gift items, instant foods, and personal care items.

Donations are also needed for postage, \$12 each box. Call the club, 4770 Waterford Road, at 248-623-0444.

Benefit for local man

Benefit for John Jasso of Independence Township, is 1-5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 19, at Edna Burton Senior Center, 345 Ball Street, Ortonville.

Spaghetti dinner is \$5/adults, \$3/children 5-12, free/children under 5. Silent auction and bake sale.

Jasso has been hospitalized since Nov. 16. The family has no insurance and is facing a long recovery period and medical expenses.

To donate baked goods or items for silent auction, call Donna at 248-627-6235, Wendy at 248-935-7328, or Samantha at 989-320-9299.



Shashabaw Middle School and Bailey Lake Elementary students along with community volunteers packed care boxes for troops on Dec. 2. Photos by Trevor Keiser.

Packing party for troops

Continued from page 1A

deodorant, hand sanitizer, baby wipes, UV chapstick, cotton swabs, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, sunscreen, bath gel, body wash, flea collars, twin sheets, pillowcases, shampoo, protein bars, batteries, hard candy, playing cards, cds, paperback books, gum, disposable razors, shaving cream, and powder drinks.

"And anything else you may think might bring them a smile," Roth said.

"I like the soldiers help us," said Phoebe Savoie, Bailey Lake student who volunteered at the Dec. 2 packing party. "I send them thank you notes and give them presents."

First grader Luke Ludd said he was donating some stuff for the troops. His sister Quinn agreed.

"I'm here for stuff for troops," she said.

Dozens of students from Bailey Lake and Shashabaw Middle School teamed up with the American Legion to pack boxes for shipment to troops overseas hopefully in time for Christmas.

"Today we helped pack up requested items and random items for the troops," said student Kate Regowski. "It was really fun."

"It was fun packing the boxes," Mary

McKillop said.

Fellow student Alana Green agreed.

"It was great way of helping out the people overseas defending our country and protecting our freedom," she said. "I've done it before, so it's really fun to do it again."

Middle school teachers Carolyn Savoie and Missy Ludd said many of the items such as bug spray, wet wipes, sunscreen, sun glasses and popsicles, were from their "Beat the Heat" drive they did last spring for the troops, as part of a school project.

However, they sent the boxes to a PO Box and received all 35 boxes back.

"The postage cost a lot of money and they would not reimburse us to get it down to the correct spot," Savoie said.

"So we got in touch with Bonnie and Anne and they actually came over and picked up all the boxes and these are the items we ship tonight," Ludd said.

Megan Forshey said packing the boxes went really fast.

"It was just crazy," she said. "Those soldiers are going to be happy."

Jenna Summerville agreed.

"It felt really good helping people who help us," Summerville said.

Stuff-a-Bus for Lighthouse

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Staff Writer

It's time for the community fill a school bus for Lighthouse Emergency Services this weekend.

The Clarkston Community Schools bus drivers plan to be at Kroger, on Sashabaw and Maybee Road, for their seventh annual Stuff-a-Bus charity drive, this Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

"This is how a lot of families are providing Christmas for their kids - through the Stuff-a-Bus program and Lighthouse program," said Tammy Layton, bus driver.

Donations needed include non-perishable food items, personal care items, gift cards, monetary donations, clothing, books, and new, unused toys.

"I know it is more difficult to buy for older children," Layton added. "If someone is interested in buying for an older child they can always purchase a gift card. Gift cards are always great for teens."

The goal is the same as every year, to completely fill the bus.

"We like the seats to be overflowing, stuff falling in the aisles as we are driving the bus to Lighthouse on Monday morning," she said. "People are so generous during the holidays. Even when the economy started turning downwards the community still manage to show up in droves."

Layton said for those unable to stop by they can either stop by Lighthouse, 6330 Sashabaw Road, drop it off at the Clarkston Community Schools bus garage, 6590 Middle Lake Road, or if they have a student in the district they can give it to their bus driver.

"Thank you to everybody that makes this happen," she added. "It's not just the bus drivers donating their time and it's not just Kroger - it's the donators that make this event such a success."

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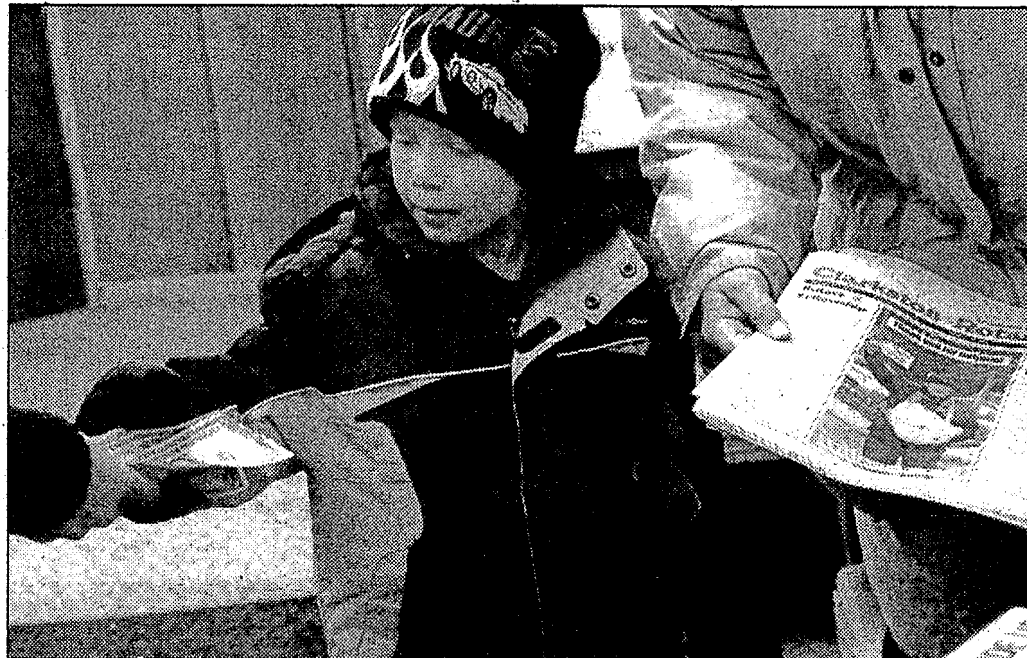
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Little 'fellow

Liam Zoronski, grandson of Clarkston Rotarian Joel DeLong, collects a donation during the club's Goodfellows newspaper sale. Proceeds will be used in Rotary's Shoes for Kids program, providing warm clothes to children in need throughout the area. Photo by Trevor Keiser



Exception closer on 90 N. Main

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Officials are working out a compromise for the former school and township office building at 90 N. Main Street.

"The course I recommend is the creation of a Historic Limited Use Overlay District," said City Planner Dick Carlisle in a letter to city officials. "Overlay districts are a common tool used when there are unique circumstances to be addressed, which I believe to be the case with the subject property."

The district would "preserve the historic integrity of applicable properties and ensure compatibility with underlying R-1 (residential) zoning."

City Manager Dennis Ritter noted the "overlay district is a very narrow, confined amendment to the ordinance that would be specific to that site and that sight only."

He said the owners of 90 N. Main, Ed Adler and Bob Roth, Ley-Ray Holdings LLC, have come up with an agreement as to what they want there and will go before the planning commission and city with their request.

"Once we receive their paperwork, the process will begin in terms of the amendment to the zoning ordinance," Ritter said. "There will certainly be public hearings and everyone is going to have an opportunity to speak to it."

The amendment serves only the owners of 90 N. Main, so Ritter said they are requesting and requiring Adler and Roth to pay the estimated \$3,600 for the ordinance preparation up front.

"Any of that not spent will be returned," he said.

Councilman Thomas Hunter said

applicants' wishes for the property will not be automatically written into the ordinance amendment.

"If they propose certain uses and if the village represented by the planning commission and the city council agree with those uses, then that would be written into this new provision, which would apply only to that property," Hunter said. "We're not saying whatever they want to use it for, we'll go along with."

Resident Theo Papatheodoraperilos said he didn't understand why the city is paying to help the owners of 90 N. Main "find a solution as to how we (the city) can get around to give them what they want and name it something else?"

Mayor Joe Luginski said that wasn't what they were doing.

"We got Mr. Carlisle here to help the city get all the protections of the historic district and restrictions we can get based on this overlay district," Luginski said. "That's the bottom line."

Papatheodoropoulos argued the owners knew it was zoned R1 residential when they bought the property.

"He (Adler and Roth) has several pieces of property," Papatheodoropoulos said. "Why are we so concerned about it? He's either R1 or he's not R1."

Hunter said the use of the historic overlay district was a compromise "to try and work something out that both parties can live with," as well as avoid going to court, where the city could lose and the owners could do whatever they wanted with the property.

Bisio agreed.

"I'm going to listen to what they have to propose and consider not only what they want to do, but also the strengths and

weakness of our position," he said. "I'd love nothing more than to say 'you guys knew it was residential when you bought it, stick with that. Tough for you if you want to do something else with it,' but, I don't think that's a realistic position to take."

Resident Eric Haven remembered a similar situation, when residents were upset that Sharron Catallo and her husband bought the former United Methodist Church at Buffalo and Church and renovated it as a house.

"I would just advise some caution, some time be given to this," Haven said. "It seems like a knee-jerk response to a situation that is not dire at all."

Resident Don Frayer said residents need to keep their mind on the budget.

"You're talking about a tax base. You're talking about the level of taxes. A vacant building is certainly not something we're going to reap the benefits from and that's a part of best use," he said. "I don't know if there is a 'Catallo' that's going to pay \$30,000 in taxes for a single residence."

The council voted 6-1 to release eight non-confidential documents concerning 90 N. Main, to be placed on the City's website for the public to view.

"There is a lot of interest in this and there is some sense that there are secret discussions going on behind closed doors that may have been proper in some way," said Councilman Richard Bisio who made the motion

"I think when you see this stuff it's not going to be that earth shattering. It's more of a historical nature than anything substantive," he said. "It basically shows you how we go to where we are and where we are is a process that's going forward and is going to be very public."



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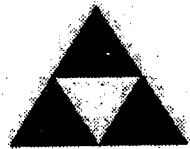
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The Cost Of Dental Implant Surgery

Before proceeding with your dental implant treatment plan, your implant team will provide you with a cost estimate covering all necessary aspects of the surgical and restorative procedures relating to your case. These estimates should include diagnostic testing and a work-up, bone and soft tissue grafting procedures, implant placement, impressions and fabrication cost for the final crown. In the long-run, dental implants are a cost effective option for replacing your missing teeth. Unlike conventional dentures and bridges that are usually replaced several times, your dental implants should continue to function well for 20 years or more.

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Resist the dark side

Driving to Depot Park Saturday evening for a bullying-awareness, candle-light vigil, I wasn't sure what I would find.

Maybe no one would be there. Maybe Steve Hyer, president of Clarkston School Board, was right when he suggested bullying wasn't an issue in Clarkston. The school board had passed a policy against it, after all.

But a small crowd of people, mostly students from Clarkston High School, waited in the cold darkness as I walked up.

During the vigil, several shared their own stories to go along with the one I wrote about last week. At least for some, bullying is an issue, and a serious one.

A reader commented on the issue on our Facebook page, describing Mr. Hyer's comments in last week's paper ("We have not been informed of an increase in bullying...") as a "Jedi mind trick," as in, "you don't need to see any information on bullying. This isn't the issue you're looking for."

That would make me the hapless, weak-willed stormtrooper. My line was supposed to be, "This isn't the issue I'm looking for. Move along. Move along."

The lack of response from school officials was disappointing. I wanted to hear what they were facing and how they dealt with it. Instead, the response reminded me of the don't-talk-about-anything-negative-that-might-hurt-home-sales approach of the former school administration.

The district has a policy ... no kidding. I wanted to know what was happening in the trenches, the hallways of the junior high and middle school especially, where kids are especially vulnerable to becoming and being victimized by bullies, with the raging hormones and all that.

Instead, it falls to a ninth-grade student to respond on the serious issue of bullying, as included on page 7A.

The student's letter this week seems to contradict the story last week. This could mean one is lying, but in this case, I don't think so. Both are telling the truth, from their point of view. Sticking with Star Wars' Obi Wan Kenobi, "many of the truths we cling to depend greatly on our own point of view."



The Clarkston News Viewpoints

Reader saw tolerance for artist

Dear Editor:

A community that put up with endless delays in seeing a very public project continue year upon year, is tolerant (in regards to "Artist wishes mural teaches lasting lesson of tolerance," Dec. 1).

However, even the most tolerant person is justified in expecting only reasonable delays. Mr. Sherman certainly showed an amazing amount of tolerance toward the person he hired to submit a plan and complete the plan within a determined amount of time. Unfortunately he, as well as the community, were disappointed.

Yes, an artist should be free to have self determination on the content of their work. However, this was a commercial venture which depended upon approval by the building owner of a submitted rendering with a determined deadline. Ms. Tynan decided to ignore both.

Ms. Tynan stated that she "does not feel ashamed of having been the cause of the

business owner having lost money and being embarrassed."

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professional manner within the agreed upon parameters set by your employer, which you did not.

It amazes me that Ms. Tynan can interpret the community's objection to her work as that of those who are snobs. Even those enamored with her work objected to the length of time it was taking to complete. I suggest that Ms. Tynan apply the meaning of the word to herself.

Snob: "displaying an offensively superior condescending manner," Encarta at World English Dictionary.

Yes, I would definitely describe Mr. Sherman as well as the community as Tolerance Personified.

Marilyn Parke
Independence Township

Lesson found from mural artist

Dear Editor:

Re: "Artist wishes mural teaches lasting lesson of tolerance," by Michelle Tynan, Dec. 1. My first thought about hearing from Ms. Tynan again, is, aren't we all accorded freedom of speech ... not just artists?

There are a whole bunch of us out here who could care less about what Mr. Sherman

commissioned to have painted on HIS wall and we care even less about M.T.'s (empty) blathering. The lesson here for young people is more about being accountable for fulfilling a contract or promise and less about tolerance for someone who is so totally self absorbed.

Gerry Schmidt
Springfield Township

Pastor appreciates different view

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank you for your Spiritual Matters column and for allowing a variety of viewpoints to be presented. I would also like to thank Pastor Kendall Schaeffer of St. Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church for his letter published in the Nov. 24th Clarkston News. I was contacted by a member of the community who was interested in receiving a copy of my original article, published Nov. 3rd, after reading his letter.

I took the opportunity to call Pastor Kendall because I agree with most of his points and I was not clear as to what he "must react against" in my article. I did not suggest

that Jesus utilized "magic tricks", quite the opposite.

On this point the pastor and I disagree. We both have our authoritative references, so in the final analysis it comes down to a difference of opinion.

I honor Pastor Keridall's faith, just as I hold in a place of honor all faith traditions. Each offer a piece of the puzzle without which we could not see the bigger picture. As I am fond of saying, God is too big to fit inside of one religion.

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A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1995

"New high school over budget" architects told the school board the total project might have been more than the bond issue could cover. They suggested modifications including deleting six classrooms. The school was expected to be filled to capacity the day it opened, about 2,000 students.

"School board gets tough with new weapons policy" School board took a step towards implementing a "zero tolerance" policy, prohibiting all weapons, or anything that could be used as a weapon, on school property. Clarkston High School was already a drug-free zone and smoke-free zone.

"City approves police video system" Clarkston City Council voted for a \$10,000 VHS videotape system for the city's two patrol cars. Chief Paul Ormiston predicted video systems would become as standard as shotguns in police cruisers.

25 years ago - 1985

"Facing the crowd" Jeremy Hargis played the Wicked Witch to Jeff Waite and Lisa Carter's Hansel and Gretel in the Clarkston Junior High drama "Hansel and Gretel and Friends."

"Party, historical style" About 125 people attended Clarkston Community Historical Society's annual Christmas Party at the historic home of Sharron and Clarence Catallo in Clarkston. The Catallos transformed the former church into their residence and hosted the party for years.

"Mediplex gets final site plan OK" Some observers joked that Neil Wallace's Independence Township Planning Commission motion to OK the site plan for a proposed Dixie Highway medical complex took as long as Springfield Township's entire meeting. The project was on the border of the two township's and needed both's approval.

50 years ago - 1960

"DAR Good Citizen chosen" Clarkston High School student Linda Chapman was chosen the Daughters of the American Revolution award for Clarkston. She was editor of the school newspaper and copy editor for the yearbook, and was also members of the band choir, and Future Teachers Club.

"Clarkston local" Albert Cohoon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cohoon of Clarkston, graduated from Navy boot camp, ready for duty with the fleet as a Navy Bluejacket.

Another side to Clarkston Junior High

Dear Editor,

In regards to "Bullied out," Dec. 1 edition of *The Clarkston News*, I feel it is my responsibility to share my thoughts on Clarkston Junior High, which I feel has been misrepresented when it comes to bullying.

I read about an eighth grade student who recently switched to home schooling after experiencing problems with bullying at the junior high. I completely respect her decisions and opinions, but as a ninth-grade freshman, I view my school in a completely different way.

Even though the hallways are crowded, I find them crowded with classmates I have grown up with. A couple of them might have made, or have been making, the terrible mistake of bullying, but I mostly see good-hearted, funny people I have come to love since I have been in Clarkston. Also in the hallways I see teachers from last year who wave hello and ask me how I've been, and I see current teachers who say, "hey, see ya next hour!"

I see fliers on the wall advertising tons of student made clubs, organized by administration for after school. I see posters made by our own junior high leadership team adver-

tising awesome spirit weeks and dodgeball tournaments.

Even though the junior high definitely isn't all fun and games, I feel safe and proud to be a student there.

Whenever there's a tough unit in math, there's always a teacher who will come in early to help you, and for every kid who does something inconsiderate and wrong like bullying, there are 10 kids who would stop and help you pick up your books if you dropped them, which I have seen happen multiple times.

I'll admit school isn't my favorite thing to do, and not everything about the junior high is perfect, but I am proud to go to school here, and this June when I leave the school for good, I know I'll never forget the friends I have made, the crazy sports practices I somehow made it through, the nights where I thought I was never going to be done with homework, and the exams I get so stressed out for.

The thing is, I would not want to go through any of these things that go along with being a kid and growing up anywhere else.

The Clarkston Junior High student asked to remain anonymous

All right already. Some Christmas music favs

Okay. Last week I shared some of my least favorite Christmas songs. Songs like, *Simply having a Wonderful Christmastime*, *Do They Know It's Christmas*, *The Christmas Shoes*, and basically anything by Trans Siberian Orchestra. To wrap up last week's gem of creative writing, I invited readers to share some of their own personal holiday negativities -- this in an attempt to purge the season of unpleasantness, leaving room for just beautiful wonderfulness. This is my attempt at making the holidays better for us all.

(I know, I could do things like work the soup kitchen, give to the poor, lash out at bigotry, war-and intolerance, but where's the fun in that?)

At any rate, the response has been interesting. Mostly, folks were shocked I don't like Trans Siberian Orchestra stuff. Some were pretty indignant. All I can say to youse guys is this: it takes all kinds to make this big, ol' world spin around and there's no accounting for your bad taste.

I also heard from somebody, that they made a movie of *The Christmas Shoes*. I'll make sure not to watch it. I took some heat for not mentioning, *All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth*. And, I got the following e-mail.

Hi Don

I agree with almost all of your dislikes. (Babs) Streisand's *Jingle Bells* is the most over-the-top, irritating version of that song ever.

But, Trans Siberian's Pachelbel Christmas song with the kids choir is Bee-you-tee-full. My most disliked, and fastest radio station changer is *I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas*. Yuck!

What bothers me the most, however, is the pressure put upon us all to be "politically correct" by avoiding "Merry Christmas" or using anything having a religious connotation. To those few who are offended I say, "Get over it".

*Merry Christmas, Don
Andy S., Oxford, MI*



A column by
Don Rush

Andy, I hope you feel better, now that you have vented. I have one question, though. What is a pachebel?

As not to be a total Donny Downer, here are some of my favorite Christmas jingles. (For the sake of having fun, I have chosen just the secular songs, not the traditional classics like *Silent Night*.)

From Dean Martin, *I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm and Baby, It's Cold Outside*. I also like, Burl Ives' *Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer* and *Have A Holly Jolly Christmas!*

My mostest favoritist Christmas songs come from Bing Crosby. And, while most of the stuff with the big band sound, fills me with warm memories of the days of yore, my most favorite Bing Christmas song is *Do You Hear What I Hear?* I crank up the volume at home when that baby comes on (much to the chagrin of anybody within two city blocks).

I also dig Lou Rawls' *Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas*, Bob Seger's *Little Drummer Boy*, Jimmy Durant's *Frosty The Snowman* and the Drifter's *White Christmas*.

Which leads me to more favorites, those from Elvis' 1957 *Christmas Album*. One side has secular songs (and the ones I like the best are, *Santa Bring My Baby Back To Me* and *Santa Claus Is Back In Town*) and on the other is a mix of gospel and traditional songs. What I didn't know, until I started fishing around the internet is this: When the writer of *White Christmas* (Irving Berlin) heard Elvis' version of the classic Bing Crosby hit, he blew a gasket. Berlin not only called for a banning of the entire album, but also called radio stations across the country to make sure they didn't play it.

So much for the Christmas spirit of 1957.

Oh, and for you blues lovers, check out Alligator Record's Christmas Collection. I believe this CD has a cool dozen or so righteous yuletide songs you'll like.

There is still time for us to liberate you from your negative holiday thoughts, so send them in to yours truly at don@dontrushmedon.com

GM turns out the Volt, I close out Henry Ford

This is the fifth and last in my series on Henry Ford, 1863-1947. This will be some highlights in his career, as written in The Automotive News, on the 100th birthday of Ford, 1963.

• In June 1903, after two failed attempts by Henry Ford to start the auto company, he joined with 11 investors to start Ford Motor Company with \$28,000 in capital. A few years later, some investors sold their shares to Ford, giving him complete control.

• The culmination of Henry's vision came in 1908 with the Model T. It first sold for \$850, and the price kept falling as he boosted volume and slashed automotive costs.

• For almost a decade George Seldon kept the auto industry hamstrung with his engine patent. Henry Ford sued and won, freeing all automakers from paying royalties on internal combustion engines.

• Ford Motor Company opened its first plant outside North America in 1911 in England and 2 years later in France.

• In 1913, Ford's moving assembly line brought work to the workers and spurred an unprecedented increase in volume.

• One thing Henry learned before the rest of the industry: There's no sales bait like a rebate.

• Since 1912 Ford and Chevrolet have been competing for U. S. sales leadership.

• Merchants stuck all types of cargo-hauling contraptions on the chassis of their Model T's to get freight from here to there. Henry saw the need and the result was Ford Motor's first truck, the Model TT.

• The world has never seen anything like it: 90 buildings, 27 miles of conveyors and 93 miles of railroad track. Ford ships delivered iron ore directly to Ford's steel mill. The goal was vertical integration, and the Rouge complex helped transform America's industrial landscape.

• Tired of meddling investors, Henry bought all their shares in 1919. He, his wife Clara and son Edsel became the sole owners of Ford Motor.

• Lumber, soybeans, railroads, even charcoal briquettes -- Henry's curiosity led him into a variety of businesses.

• One of the darkest sides of Henry Ford was his vehement and public dislike of Jews. He used his newspaper, *The Dearborn Independent*, to spread his venom.

• Henry made his mark by making simple cars for simple people. But in 1923, Edsel persuaded him to buy Lincoln for \$8 million and enter the luxury market.

• It was a number almost too big to be believed. In 1923, Ford was the first brand to sell a million cars a year.

• Henry was one of the first to see the potential of commercial aviation, and was an innovator in the field.

• On March 7, 1932, in the depths of the Great Depression, 4,000 desperate people marched to Ford's Rouge complex to beg for jobs. They were met with tear gas, fire hoses and bullets.

• The Ford Foundation was started in 1936, in part to assure the Ford family would retain control of Ford Motor. The foundation would become one of the world's most powerful philanthropic organizations.

• The swells drove Lincolns, and the common folks drove Ford. What about the people in the middle? Mercury was born in 1939 to provide a mid-range choice.



a column by
Jim Sherman

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Common sense critical to protecting property

BY WENDIREARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

'Tis the season for presents piled high under the tree and carrying lots of gifts out of the store.

Both attract unwanted attention from thieves looking for something quick to sell or pass on as a gift during the holidays.

"Come the holidays calls to us increase - either it be larceny from vehicles or larceny from homes," said Sergeant Darren Ofiara from Independence Township Sheriff's Substation.

Ofiara offers a few tips for the holiday season.
Protecting the house:

When homeowners and their families go out of town for an extended time, from a few days to a few weeks, they can become a target.

He said thefts increase a week before Thanksgiving and start dwindling off a few weeks into January, when it's colder.

"They are going to start driving around," Ofiara explained about what generally happens. "They like to stop by during the daytime. They will knock on the front, if no one answers they might linger, look around and check inside to see if there is any movement. If they don't see any, they might go through the front of back door - whatever is hidden from the road."

He added there are different routes a homeowner can go to protect the house if they don't already have an alarm.

One way is to tell someone, like their neighbor or call their local law enforcement to watch over the home.

By telling neighbors, they can keep an eye on the house and watch for vehicles suppose to be at the house.

"If neighbors see something, they can give us a call and we can swing out there to make sure," said Ofiara. "It is what we are here for. If you see anything out of the ordinary do not hesitate to give us a call."

If unsure about neighbors or want more people watching the house, call the sheriff's office.

"Independence Township residents are fortunate to have directed patrol if they know they are going to be away for a long period of time," said Ofiara. "They can put their homes on a watch list."

When on the list, deputies will go by the house and make sure everything is alright and still secure.

Ofiara added another bonus is the officers are seen patrolling - deterring thefts from

occurring.

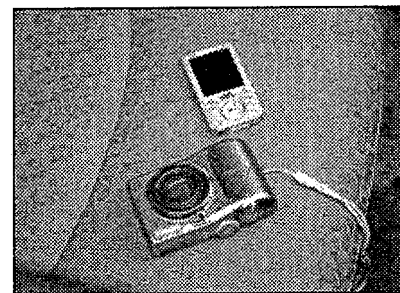
Protecting valuables:

Thieves won't always go for the house - they find vehicles a good place to find cash, credit cards and electronics, especially with bags of Christmas presents.

While shopping, Ofiara offered a tip to put stuff in the trunk and if concern is great, drive someplace else and park elsewhere.

Ofiara said to make sure vehicles are always locked and to make sure no valuables are in the car.

"If you have to leave something outside, make sure it is in the trunk or under the seat," he noted. "Most of the time thieves are looking for opportunity. They are going to see something and a lot of times the vehicles are going to be unlocked. It gives them the opportunity and access."



Opportunity becomes greater when items, like purses, wallets, MP3 players, GPSs and laptops are left in plain sight on one of the vehicle's seats.

Purses and wallets give the thief cash and credit cards to shop around and Ofiara warned what started as a larceny can grow into identity theft.

"Credit cards are used as many times as possible before the account is shut down," he added. "When it is shut down, they get rid of the card."

A way to stop it quicker if it happens is to have credit card numbers and credit card company contact information in a secure place.

Common items being stolen, not just during the holiday season, are electronics and jewelry.

Ofiara said they are easily turned over on the black market or given as a gift during the holidays.

The best way to battle this one, if they are stolen, is to have the serial numbers and model written down. Pictures are a big help to the police, especially with jewelry.

"A picture makes it easier to find," Ofiara added.

Ofiara said a lot of times thieves are coming from different areas.

"It boils down to the have and have nots," he added. "If they see something, they see houses, literally lit up like Christmas trees and nobody is there and they see a pile of gifts under the tree. It's like adding fuel to the fire. Be cognitive to the fact it is tough times."

"If you are going to make it easy, someone else is going to do it. If it is important to you, keep it close," he added.

Public Safety

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

Suspended driver

A burnt out license plate attracted the attention of a deputy, 2:41 a.m., Nov. 22, on I-75 at Sashabaw Road. The driver, a 30-year-old West Bloomfield Township woman, had no license, suspensions out of Detroit, Ferndale, and Highland Park, and misdemeanor warrants out of Detroit, Ferndale, Troy, and Oak Park. Troy picked her up on its warrant for shoplifting.

Rabbits taken

Two show rabbits were stolen from their backyard hutch in the 4000 block of Hillview Shores, Nov. 15.

Confrontational jogger

An off-duty deputy was taking his police dog for a walk, 10:16 a.m., Nov. 18, on N. Ridge Trail when a jogger approached them and yelled for him to get rid of the dog. The officer identified himself, but the jogger still yelled and swore at him.

Easy thefts

Someone took a purse from a vehicle, one of three left unlocked in a driveway in the 6000 block of Windstone Lane, Nov. 22.

A laptop was taken from an unlocked truck in the 7000 block of Oak Ridge Court, Nov. 23.

A GPS and camera were taken from an unlocked car parked in the 6000 block of Windstone Circle, Nov. 26.

A wallet and cell phone were taken from an unlocked car parked in a Lakeview Boulevard driveway, Nov. 28.

Several strands of Christmas lights were taken from a neighborhood's front entrance on Menominee Lane, Nov. 30.

Stolen boats recovered

Someone cut a chain to get to a canoe and row boat, Nov. 24, at a business in the 4000 block of Waterford Road. The boats were traced to a scrap yard, where they were sold by a 37-year-old Pontiac woman and 64-year-old Pontiac man. Charges are being sought on the suspects.

Grandfather to the rescue

A 48-year-old Independence Township man grabbed his shotgun when he heard his daughter yell for help, 6:15 p.m., Nov. 27. The daughter's ex-boyfriend was visiting their son when he reportedly tried to take the child with him, against the 19-year-old Clarkston woman's wishes. The grandfather said the gun wasn't loaded and was kept pointed at the ground, and he brought it out to scare the ex-boyfriend, a 20-year-old Grand Blanc man.

Charges filed in theft

Three Clarkston area men face felony charges in connection with the theft of a purse and other items.

Sean Blaski, 19, of Springfield Township was arraigned, \$50,000 bond, no 10 percent. Independence Township men Gerrit Bartholme, 18, and Nicholas Sanders, 18, were also arraigned, Bartholme on \$5,000 personal bond and Sanders, \$10,000.

All three are charged with theft from an automobile, a felony, and Sanders also has three felony counts for using a stolen credit card. They were arrested, Nov. 25, in connection with the Oct. 10 theft.

According to police reports, Blaski, Sanders, Bartholme, and a 15-year-old Independence Township boy went to Bartholme's home to work out a deal to buy some "spice." While the others were occupied, the boy reportedly took money and a credit card from the purse, and the group used the credit card to buy gasoline, food, a paintball gun, and cigarettes. Many of the purchases were captured on video.

Also, Blaski had a GPS, camera, and satellite radio for sale, and he sold the camera to Bartholme for \$20. Bartholme then sold it at a flea market for \$125. He was made to buy it back and the camera was returned to its owner.

Unwelcome visitor

Alerted by his dog, a S. River Road resident looked outside, 10:37 p.m., Nov. 25. He saw a Hispanic-looking man, in his late 20s or early 30s, who said he was looking for his dog.

The man seemed to leave, but later the resident heard a vehicle's door shut and went outside to check. He went to his van's driver's side door, opened it, and found the suspect sitting in the driver's seat. The resident grabbed him, pulled him out, and asked him what he was doing. The man said he didn't take anything, but then pulled some gum, sunglasses, and other items out of his pockets, dropped them, and fled. The resident saw his glove box was opened and gone through, and called police.

Windows smashed

The front door window of a business in the 5000 block of Dixie Highway was smashed in, Nov. 27, but an interior door stayed secure, preventing entry.

A Parview Drive resident heard what sounded like a gunshot, 1:30 a.m., Nov. 27. A vehicle parked outside had its left door glass shattered, and stereo taken.

- Phil Custodio

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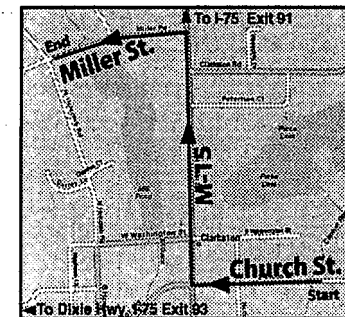
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Students make voices heard at candle vigil

The new Clarkston High School club No Place for Hate shared stories and lessons they learned about bullying, at a candlelight vigil in Depot Park, Dec. 4.

"Be there for a stranger," said a club member. "If they see that you give a crap and stand up for them, that

would mean the world to them."

People can change, even bullies, said another participant.

"I used to be a bully at the middle school," she said. "I did all those things to fit in with the popular kids - I acted like a snob. I let grades suffer. I envied those who weren't afraid to be themselves."

Those she tried to impress weren't really her friends, she said.

Clarkston is a great school district where people can be who they want to be, but their efforts will make it better, said another student.

"We're on our way to terrific things in the schools," she said.

Nancy McLernon of Clarkston organized the vigil.



Nancy McLernon leads the vigil, Saturday night.



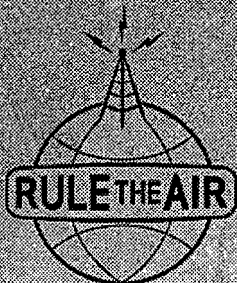
Wendy Combs, standing with the rest of the No Place for Hate club, shares her story.



Students gather for the vigil. Photos by Phil Custodio

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Seneca Moore of Clarkston, at left, and fellow skater Shannon Manz of West Bloomfield will perform in the Polar Express on Ice.



Clarkston skaters Madison Dryden, left, and Rachel Horton will skate in the show.

Local skaters perform in holiday show

Clarkston skaters Madison Dryden, Rachel Horton, Anna Hanna, Berkley Bretschneider, Alissa Chrisekos, Lexa Prokopetz, Olivia Berard, Isabel Holloway, and Karisa Yu, and Erica Murrell and Seneca Moore of Davisburg join Lakeland Skating Club's Polar Express On Ice, 2010 Holiday Festival, 5-7 p.m., Monday, Dec. 13.

Matthew Duncan of Clarkston, University of Michigan-Flint student of classical music majoring in vocal performance, will also sing during the show's grand finale, paired with a skating soloist.

"I am excited about the combination of figure skating with live vocal performance," said Hollie Campagna, show director. "Mat-

thew is a local rising star and we enjoy showcasing his talent with ours."

The show will be at Lakeland Arena, 7330 Highland Road, in Waterford. All events are free. A canned food drive during the events benefits local charities.

For more information, call 248-666-1911.



Bowman Chevrolet gives back

John Bowman Chevrolet presents a check for \$5,000 to Clarkston High School Band, Thursday, Dec. 2. The donation helps cover the cost of the band and instructors' trip to London to participate in the New Year's Day parade. "It's nice to be able to give back with all the schools struggling with budget cuts and cutbacks on programs," said John Bowman, president of John Bowman Chevrolet. "It's good to help kids reach their dreams." Photo provided

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Crossing guard duty at issue

BY WENDI REARDON
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Last year's budget cuts still weighed heavily on the Board of Education's mind as it considered adding nine hours of crossing-guard duty per day.

The final decision was to wait and see how much money and when they would receive the Education Job Fund before spending it.

"It is my understanding it is not in the budget and I would like to see were do we need the assistance," said Rosalie Lieblang, board treasurer. "It is important, but so are other things we would like to do as well."

Anita Banach, human resources director, explained the crossing guard role is currently covered by custodians, teachers and administrators.

"With reduction in staff and custodial and now spreading all the jobs we are looking at how are we doing things best and with is most efficient," she added.

"Whenever you are doing cuts it is going mean more work and responsibility for the people that are left," Susan Boatman, board vice-president said. "It is how our economy works now. People need to figure out other ways to do business."

The nine hours would be divided between three people. It could also be divided amongst schools, such as Andersonville Elementary could have 30 minutes in the morning while another school could have 30 minutes in the afternoon.

Banach assured the board it would not be a new position but additional hours for those already working. Board Secretary Joan Patterson agreed there is a need.

"But there are a lot of cuts we made last year," she said. "I think there are other things out there equally pressing. I would like to take a look at the the whole grouping. I don't want first come, first serve."

Patterson also asked if it could be a volunteer position.

"I don't know of volunteers doing it on a set schedule," Banach answered. "There is no reason why we couldn't have volunteers. It's a lot of hours to cover - long, cold hours."

Cheryl McGinnis added she thought the \$10,342 per half year was worth it, especially using the Education Job Fund.

"The students are our responsibility. It is something we need to take care of and provide," she said.

Banach said it is the same safety concern the district has always had and it will continue to be covered, one way or another if the board did not approve the request.

Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock ended the discussion saying the board could talk about it again after they had more details for the Education Job Fund.

Ready to heat up the court

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Cagers head into their first game this week after putting two scrimmages under their belt, preparing them for the season.

"It went pretty well," said Dan Fife, Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball Head Coach, about the boys scrimmage against Bay City on Friday. "I was pretty happy with how they played."

Looking ahead for the season, he added the boys look good but time will tell.

"We will see," Fife said. "We have a lot of young players and a lot of experience to replace. It is always difficult when you have to replace. It's getting the pieces in place."

The team lost three players last year, including their two-year point guard starter. He has four players working on filling in the gap - seniors Nick Tatu and Mark Tynan and juniors Mitch Baenziger and Jaren Jones.

Strengths lie within the shooters on this year's team and returners' experience.

"We have some capable shooters and some nights we can be very good if we are shooting the ball well," Fife added.

The Wolves are working on the little things to aid them as they continue to grow and aim for making it farther than last year's end at the Regional championship playoff.

"The key will be how we defend and rebound," Fife pointed out. "We aren't going to be as tall as we have been. Matt Kamieniecki was a presence (the last four years). We are going back to the little things to be good. We have to make sure we block

out and not be lax in that. We have to make sure we are doing the right things."

Most of the junior class have been playing for a long time, which will help them not only this season but next year.

"They are used to playing the right way, they are playing the Clarkston way," added Fife. "The strength in that is what makes us good."

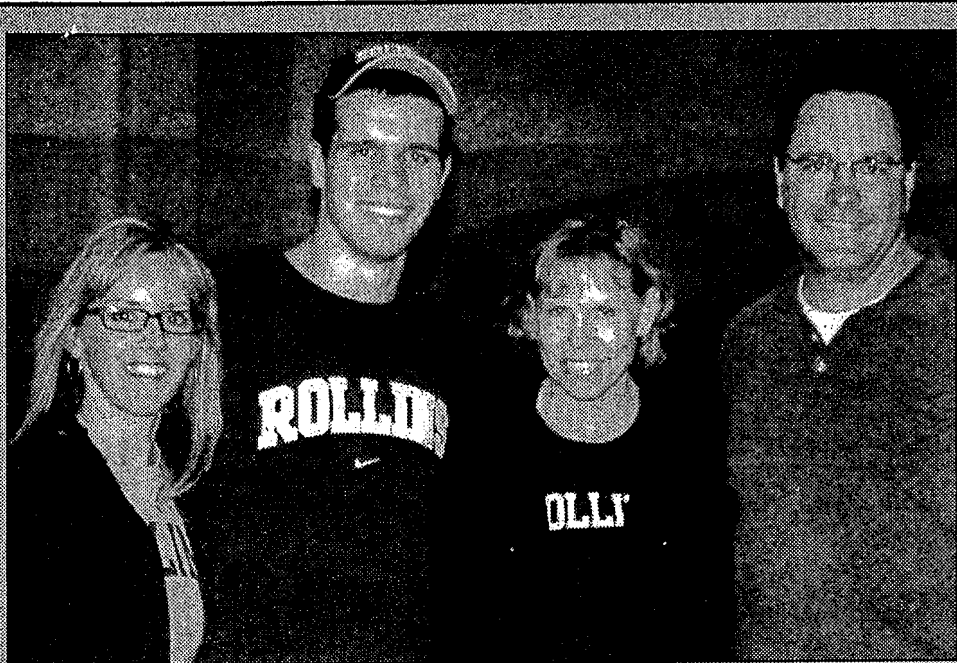
He did note the team is without junior Zach Collins for the season, but he will still lend his leadership and experience to the team.

"We will miss him," said Fife. "But he will be out there. I do think it always helps to have somebody to explain me - what is going on and what I mean. He knows me pretty well."

Pressure in the OAA Red continues to be tough and Fife knows the teams in the league have a lot of experienced returners coming back. The Wolves have three games before holiday break begins, then come back pushing through the league at a steady pace.

They begin with hosting Orchard Lake St. Mary's this Friday, 7 p.m.

"It's their first game and our first game. We have played hard and worked hard. We keep doing that we should be okay," said Fife, adding he has a good relationship with their coach. "George Porritt used to coach with me for a long time. He is a great coach and they play hard. Once the game starts we will be what we always are - competitors."



The Burtneetts; stepmom, Dawn, Matt, mom, Maryanne and dad, Rick.

Athlete of the Week Heading south next fall

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston lacrosse players surrounded senior Matt Burnett as he signed his letter of intent on Dec. 1 to join the men's team at Rollins College.

The university was Burnett's second choice and when he visited the campus in Winter Park, Florida Burnett knew where he would play after he graduated from Clarkston High School.

"The campus is beautiful," he said. "All of the guys, all of my teammates are really great. The coaches are awesome so I couldn't resist."

Burnett will play Division II lacrosse in the Deep South Conference.

He began playing lacrosse seven years ago when one day one of his cousins threw him a lacrosse stick when he was living in Virginia.

When he moved to Clarkston four years ago he was playing with a short lacrosse stick. When he joined the varsity team as a freshman, assistant coach Doug Monforton saw talent for a defense position and Burnett began using the long lacrosse stick.

"I have been playing depo ever since," he said, adding he wasn't very good before the change.

"Playing depo I can use my size, my physical ability, my agility more to my advantage," he said.

Burnett also played football his entire life and held positions as a tight end and outside linebacker for the Clarkston Varsity Boys Football team, until Fall 2010 when he stopped playing.

He admitted there are quite a few skills he learned from football he uses for lacrosse including pursuit angles, using his mental toughness, learning how to compete and being part of a team. His goal for his last season for the Wolves is to help the team bring home the state championship.

Burnett currently has a 3.0 GPA and is taking his core classes. He is undecided for what he will study in the fall but has narrowed down to English, business or political science.

His parents are mom, Maryanne, dad, Rick, and stepmom, Dawn.

"Thank you coaches and teammates," he added.

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Jaren Jones fights through Ferndale's defense during Clarkston Thanksgiving Scrimmage. Photo by Wendi Reardon



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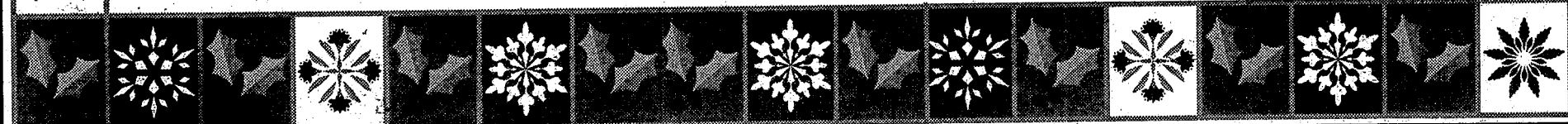


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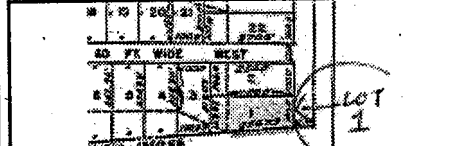
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Season opener marks first win

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Lady Wolves passed the basketball around the arc, trying to find a way pass Rochester defenders.

Lindsey Reppuhn caught the ball and quickly got into position for a throw - it was now or never as the clock counted down the last minute in the first quarter of the game.

She threw the ball and Rochester moved in to catch it if it rebounded. The ball went through the rim for three points, giving the Lady Wolves the lead, 15-13.

Clarkston continued their reign on the basketball court finishing their season opener with a 48-31 win on Nov. 30.

"It was a good way to start the year," said Greg Warner, assistant coach for the Lady Wolves Varsity Basketball team. "It was a rough year last season so it was good to come out and get a win. Rochester played hard, but we outthusted them."

Delaney Kenny put Clarkston on the board at the beginning of the game while Rochester remained at zero.

Both teams battled for control, keeping within only a few points of each other. The lead going into the second quarter gave the Lady Wolves the edge as Anna Manilla Kenny kept the lead growing, sending both teams to the locker rooms at halftime, 27-22.

"Kenny played good from the beginning," Warner added. "She took it strong to the hole."

Kenny finished with 13 points and five rebounds. Manilla finished with 11 points and had seven rebounds.

"Manilla shined in the first game," Warner said. "She has always been known for her aggressiveness and she came through on the first game as well."

A bonus to the game was all the players were able to contribute even newcomer Tori Trimmer, from Ohio, who added eight points, and went 6-8 at the free throw line.

"She crashed the boards," Warner added.

The girls headed to Troy on Dec. 2 and lost, 41-34.

"We had a good fourth quarter," admitted Tim Wasilk, head coach.

The girls were down 18 points going into the last eight minutes. They scored 14 points to close the gap and kept Troy to only three.

"We put a lot of pressure on ourselves against Troy instead of just going out and playing," said Wasilk. "Troy did a nice job playing defense against us. They has a pretty good point guard that controlled the tempo of the game."

Manilla led the team with eight points and Kenny finished with seven points.

The girls hosted Southfield-Lathrup on Tuesday and were preparing Monday afternoon for them.

"They have two extremely big post players and we are going to work to shut those girls down the best way possible," said Wasilk. "We are going to sag down on them and see if we can force some jump shots."

The girls head to Troy-Athens on Friday.

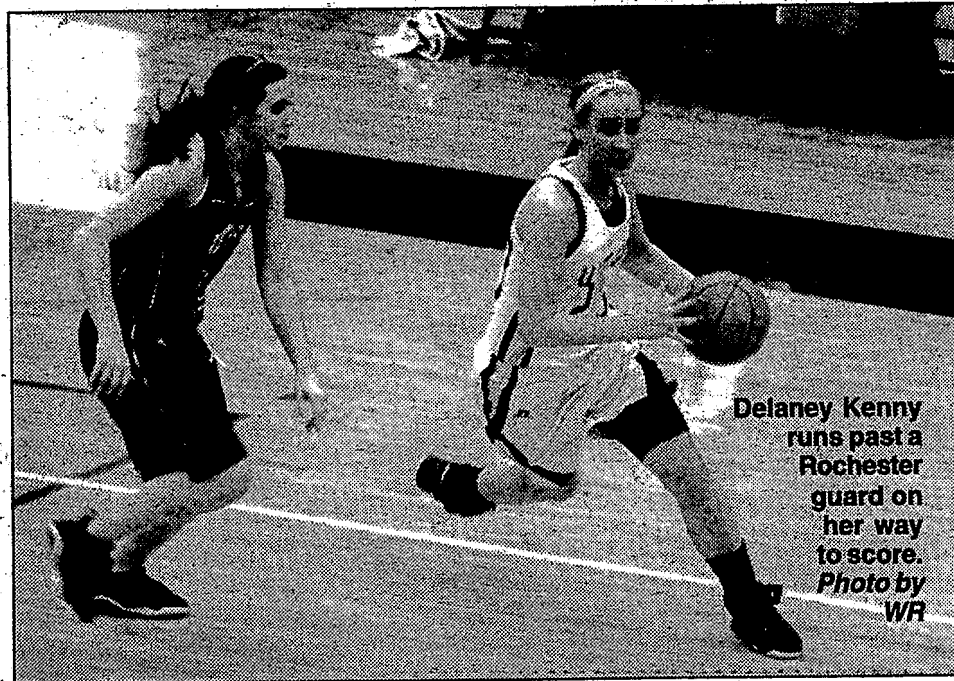
"They have a pretty good post player and a pretty quick team," said Wasilk.

He added the girls are still improving as they continue going into their second week of play.

"We are just trying to get better as a team and a group. There are plays being put in on both sides of the ball and they are still trying to get used to each other."

"We have a lot of leaders," Warner added.

"We are still trying to find a way to play them all."



Delaney Kenny runs past a Rochester guard on her way to score. Photo by WR

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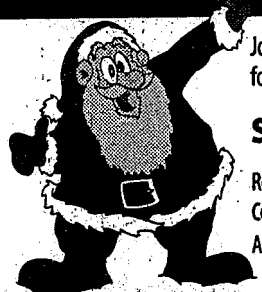
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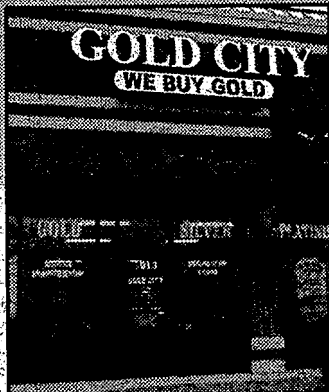
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Lessons come in big loss

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Icers turned the negative note they started last week and fine tuned it in a win by Saturday night.

They defeated Troy-Athens, 4-1.

Senior Brad Pizzey led the team going into the first period to score.

Dillon Drayer scored next and by the time Connor Hughes scored the third goal for the Wolves, Athens was done for.

The final goal sealed the Wolves' fate and sent Troy-Athens packing.

Chad Wotton had two assists and Macario Torres and Brad Pizzey had one each.

The boys put 52 shots on the net and goalie Alec Gildner had eight saves.

Clarkston lost to Plymouth-Salem on Thursday night, 8-3.

Salem scored two goals two minutes into the game, putting the boys defense up.

Pizzey narrowed the score, putting the puck in the net with 8:23 remaining in the first period on a power play.

Torres tied the score halfway through the second period. Salem took control back, scoring with 20 seconds left.

"They worked hard the first and second period to get back in the game," said Coach Bryan Krygier. "We pretty much gave them the game in the third period."

Adam Bruderick scored at the top of the final period, with assist from Hughes and Wotton.

Salem turned it around scoring five goals on nine of their shots on goal in the final period.

Krygier didn't know what had happened during the game.

"They just aren't playing for some reason. They stopped playing, they stopped working and made bad decisions with the puck," he said.

Troy Fasseel had 31 saves during the first two periods. Gildner saved four shots in the third period.

Clarkston made 24 shots on goal, the loss



Connor Hughes closes in on the net.
Photos by WR



Matt Harrington is poised for puck drop.

put their overall record at 3-3.

The boys host Farmington (6-0) on Thursday, at 5:45 at Detroit Skate Club. They lost to them on Nov. 27, 3-0.

"They need to come with a good attitude, willing to work and wanting to make a difference or else we are going to keep going downhill," said Krygier.

The Wolves head to North Farmington for their Saturday game, 7 p.m.

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From left, Kathryn Culver, Kendall Kamp, Andrea Misteravich, Sami Stelpflug, Monica Gorgas, Taylor Tekiele, and Natalie Vela. Photo submitted

Culver and Stelpflug named All-State

The Clarkston High School Girls Swim Team wrapped their season with a 16th place finish at the Division 1 High School State Championships held at Oakland University on Nov. 19 and 20.

The meet was hailed as the fastest state final swim meet in recent memory.

Coach Kenwyn Chock has a lot to be proud of with her freshmen Kathryn Culver and Sami Stelpflug who both had an outstanding meet and placed on the All-State team.

Culver finished sixth in the 50-yard freestyle and 11th in the 100-yard freestyle.

Stelpflug finished second place in both the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-

yard breaststroke.

Her performance earned her All-American honors, Clarkston's first swimmer to reach this level. She is competing in the Junior National Swimming Championship held at Georgia Tech University on December 9-11.

Culver and Stelpflug joined fellow freshmen Monica Gorgas and Natalie Vela to finish 19th in the 200-yard medley relay. The 400-yard freestyle relay team of Culver, Stelpflug, Gorgas and sophomore Taylor Tekiele placed 17th. The 200-yard freestyle relay of Vela, Tekiele, sophomore Kendall Kamp, and senior Andrea Misteravich finished 37th.

The Lady Wolves finished the season breaking seven varsity records and five pool records. They finished with an overall record, 7-1, and went undefeated in league meets and won the Blue Division League Meet winning 10 of 12 events in the process.

Chock received Coach of the Year honors. Nine of the girls made the All-League Team: Misteravich, team captain, Tekiele, sophomore Kendall Oldford, Gorgas, Vela, Stelpflug, Culver and divers sophomore Jenny Godlew and junior Alyssa Spytman.

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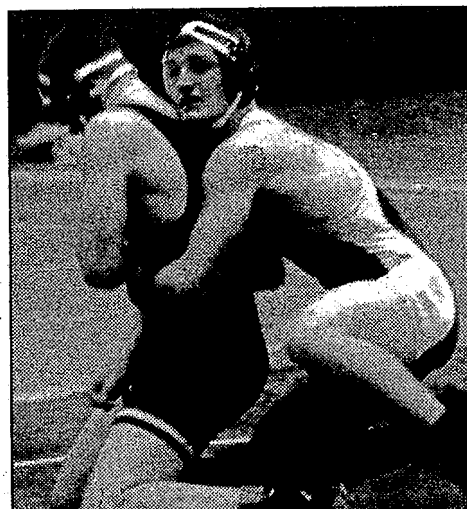
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Matt Vandermeer held Goodrich's Ryan Perry to the mat and the ref called it a fall, 34 seconds into the match.

Teammate Ethan Frick also move swiftly as the clock counted down to the final 33 seconds in his match against Goodrich's Jack Zito. It scored him a point to break the previous 8-8 tie, four more points later the match ended and he was declared the winner, 13-9.

The momentum continued to grow as Clarkston Boys Varsity Wrestling team finished their first dual meet on Dec. 1, with two wins. They defeated Goodrich, 35-27, and Grand Blanc, 54-15.

"Goodrich was close," said Andy Auten, head coach. "We had to move a few guys around in order to get the win. It came down



Chris Calvano fights in Clarkston's first dual meet.

to the last match but we pulled through."

Michael Henige (160) defeated Carl Smith, 10-8. Scott Devos (285) and Michael Wright (119) won his match by a void, Cameron Wilkie (125) won by major decision, 15-6 over Jacob McKervey, Michael Cardinale (130) beat Jacob McKervey, 6-4, and Nick Vandermeer (140) won by major decision against Seth Tessier, 12-4.

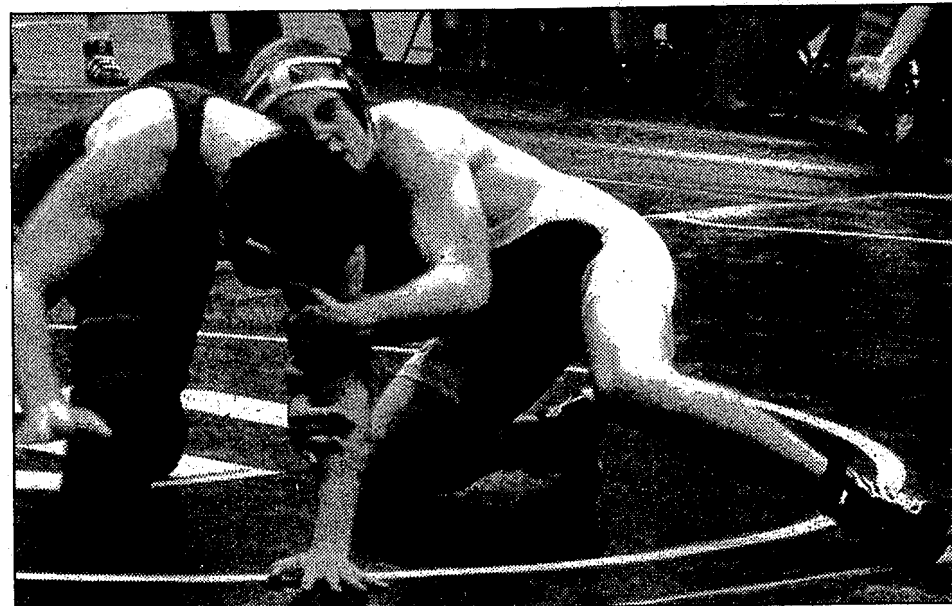
"Wilkie wrestled great for a freshman for his first high school dual," said Auten. "Matt was bumped up to 189 pounds and beat a guy who was much bigger than him."

Michael Henige (160), Chris Calvano (171), AJ Schloft (215), Scott Devos (285), Raymond Wilkie (112), and Cameron Wilkie (119) conquered the Grand Blanc Bobcats with pins. Matt Vandermeer (189) beat Cameron Baird, 12-0, Mark Bosnick (130) beat Pellumb Kurtaga, 6-4, Jeff Sloney (135) beat Joey Caleca, 16-6, Nick Vandermeer (140) beat George Camden, 15-7 and Tristen Tozzi (145) beat Connor Moran, 7-1.

The boys went 4-1 at John Glenn Invitational on Saturday. They beat Melvindale, 48-22, Romeo, 38-25, Roseville, 41-22, and Walled Lake Central, 56-21. Their only loss was to Livonia Franklin, 42-20.

The JV B team took second place at the John Glenn Varsity B Invitational.

The team has three sets of brothers this year, senior Raymond Wilkie (112) is joined by brother Cameron, a freshman, competing in the 119-pound weight class. Matt Vandermeer, a senior in the 171-pound class is with his brother, returning sophomore Nick, in the 135-pound weight. Senior Ty Foltz (145) and freshman Brett Foltz (103) will have help from dad, Joe, taking on the role as assistant



Ethan Frick takes control of his match against Jack Zito, from Goodrich. Photos by Wendi Reardon.

coach.

The team welcomed back returners, newcomers and two new coaches - Auten and Foltz.

Auten is a 1999 Clarkston High School graduate. He started coaching wrestling at Sashabaw Middle School the year after he graduated.

He was an All-State wrestler and runner-up for the 160-pound weight class.

"I started in the Clarkston Wrestling Club at five and wrestled until my senior year," Auten added.

Being part of the program for almost 25 years he is confident where he sees the di-

rection of this year's team.

"I don't see any reason why we can't challenge for the county championship and be right there with the top eight in the state at the end of the season," Auten said.

The boys are put to the test when they take on Oxford, ranked second in Division 1, and Troy Athens on Wednesday.

"Hopefully we will have a guy or two we didn't have against Goodrich but I know our lineup will not be near full strength," said Auten. "I hope to have it together for county (Dec. 17 and 18) and a run at states."

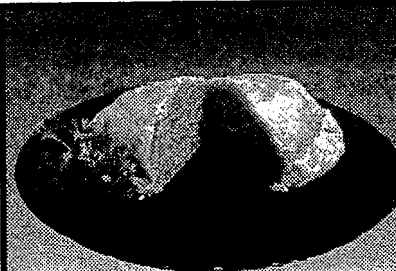
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Tray of cookies, half a dozen each of 14 different types of cookies, is \$50. A tray of chocolates, half a dozen each of 10 different kinds of chocolate, is \$40.

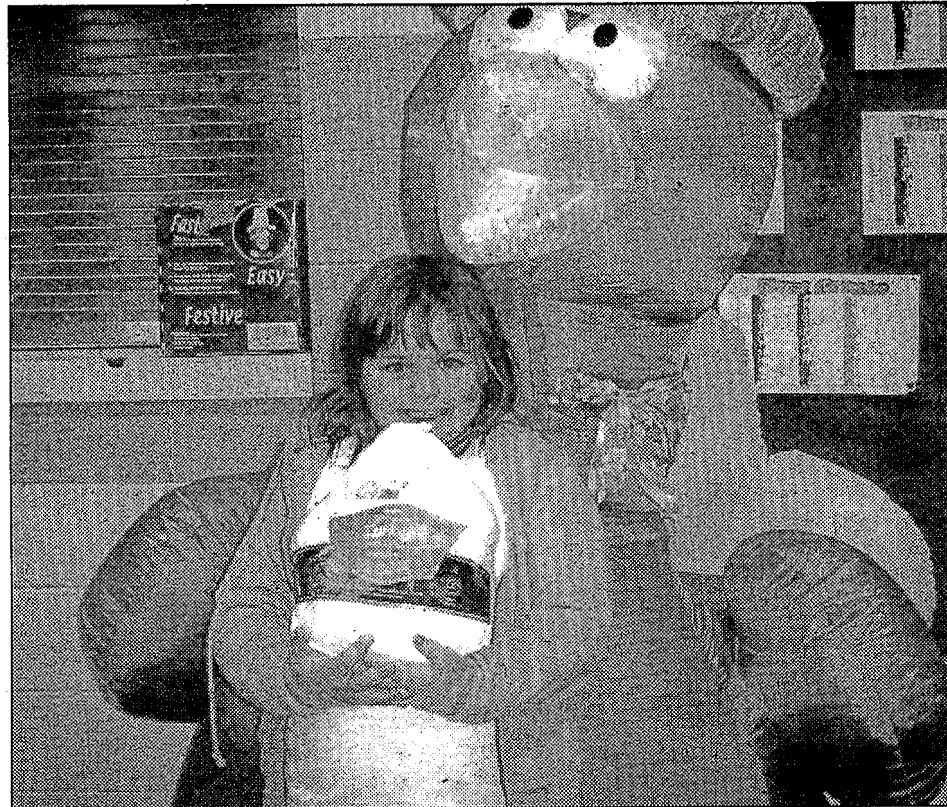
This year's sale also includes pints of Stained Glass Hard Rock Candy, \$10; our famous English Toffee, \$15; and Peppermint Bark, \$15.

This years cookie tray includes sugar cookies, gingerbread men, spritz cookies, santas whiskers, orange slice cookies, nut cups, shortbread, peanut butter kiss cookies, date pinwheels, coconut almond thumbprint cookies with apricot preserves, raspberry bars, turtle bars, magic bars, and butter balls.

Chocolate tray includes dark and milk chocolate turtles, dark, milk and white chocolate dipped pretzels, dark, milk and white chocolate covered oreos, mint chocolate crackers, peanut butter cups, buckeyes, raspberry and orange creme filled chocolates, coconut filled chocolates, dark milk and white chocolate molded candies, and espresso crunch.

Delivery is available Dec. 10-12 and 17-19. Exceptions possible if requested in advance. Trays can be picked up or delivered, delivery charge of \$5.

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Elaina Harshman won a turkey, thanks to her free-throw skills.

Free throw turkey winners

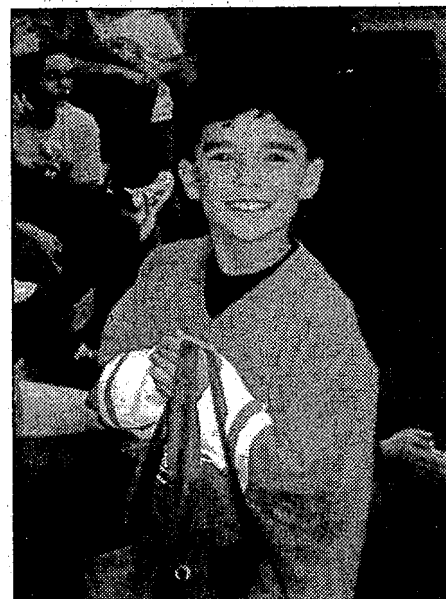
Independence Township Parks and Recreation hosted its annual Turkey Shoot free throw basketball contest, Nov. 23.

Winners, females, are:

5-7 year olds - Elaina Harshman;
11-13 year olds - Ashley Skaggs;
16 year olds - Jessica Ming;
30-39 year olds - Rene Bone; and
40-49 year olds - Elizabeth Kirchner.

For the guys, winner are:

6-9 year olds - Joshua Janik;
10-11 year olds - Dylan Bone;
16-17 year olds - Caleb Jenkins;
30-39 year olds - Edward Harshman;
50-59 year olds - Kenneth Ming; and
60-69 year olds - Ron Stafford.



Joshua Janik won a turkey in the 6-9-year old category. Photos provided

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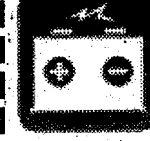
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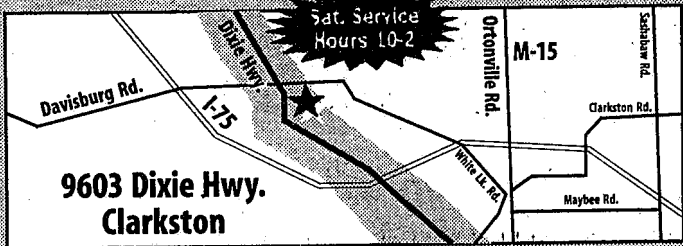
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- Ron Frank

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Long-time parks director will be missed

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Friends, family, and co-workers held a surprise retirement party for former Parks and Recreation Director Mike Turk at Fountains Golf and Banquet Center Saturday night.

"The party was great," Turk said. "It was great to see all the employees there, my friends and my family."

He said the event was put on by his "wonderful wife" Sheila and kids.

"My wife made a comment that some of the personnel in the parks and rec. department did a lot to put the event on," Mike said. "I said 'oh that was easy for them because they did such a great job on any program or event they worked on in the township. It probably wasn't even work to them and I appreciate what they did.'"

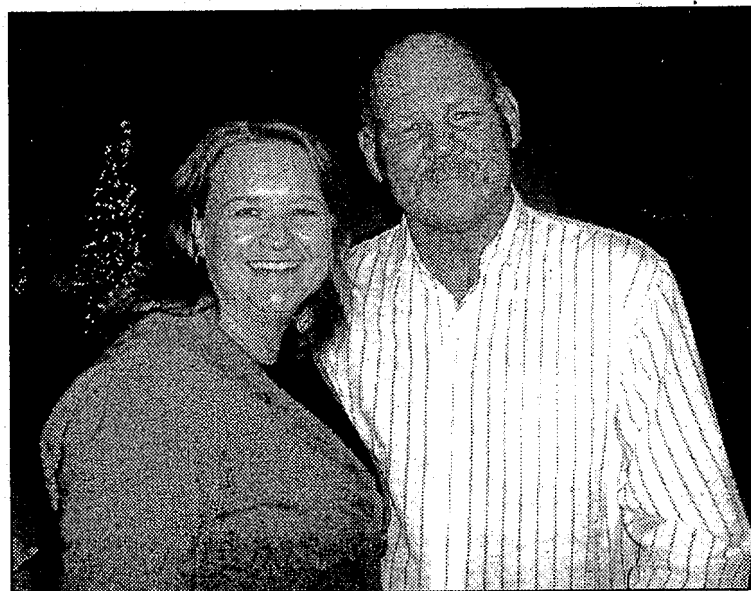
The employees felt the same way about their former boss.

"I always appreciated Mike. He was definitely a good boss to work for," said Lisa McCoy, Recreation Specialist. "He was fair, understanding and always had faith in his employees."

Jeff Morris, Recreation Programmer agreed.

"Mike was a great person to work for. Always patient, calm and took time to listen. He was very unselfish and genuinely recognized the importance of his coworkers," Morris said. "We will miss him a lot."

Recreation Supervisor Kelly



Parks and Recreation employee Lisa McCoy with former director Mike Turk. Photo submitted

Hyer, said Turk's retirement was "well deserved."

"He put a lot of years in and seems very happy," she said.

Turk retired from the township earlier this year after nearly 35 years of service. After being laid off from Fisher Body in 1976 and going back to school, there was a job opening as a park worker, so he took the position.

He started to work his way up the ladder to Park Foreman, Park Superintendent, and then to Chief of Parks in the mid to late 80's. Around 1995 he became the assistant parks and recreation director, and then took over as head director in 2001.

Turk said there were signs the

economy was starting to struggle, when he first took over, which is why they tried to cut down the number of programs they had and work with the main programs.

"Because of the economy, we had to be careful of what we started and had to make sure we made the current programs even better for the township residents," he said. "We did get the Spray Park (at Clintonwood Park) built, that was one thing that was a great accomplishment, not just for me but for the department and township. It brought a lot to the kids in the township."

Turk was born in Pontiac, but grew up in Springfield Township and graduated from Clarkston High

School in 1971.

"Mike Turk was an honored employee, a great individual, worked real hard at his job and he will really be missed," Supervisor Dave Wagner said.

Trustee Mark Petterson agreed. "His expertise has helped all of our parks and recreation," Petterson said. "I'm sad to see him go, but I know he's starting a new chapter in his life and I truly wish him all the best."

Turk said he is only "retired" from the township, but his work days are not over yet.

"After the holidays I'm going to go out and see what I can come up with," he said. "I'll be working somewhere."

As far as the future of the parks and rec. department, Turk expressed concern due to the "general thought and consensus" of the Township Board. He said Parks and Rec. is the number one target when the economy goes bad.

"Parks and Recreation provides such a great thing not only for the township, but for anywhere in the world you need parks and recreation to relieve stress (and) stay physically fit. It's a lot more important than people think," he said.

"People expect that in the parks, especially this Township. We've always had a great parks and recreation department. It would be a shame to reduce it in a way to not provide a good alternative for young kids."



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Technology Zoo, 7-8 p.m., Dec. 8, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. E-Readers, MP3 players, free downloadable audiobook and e-Book service. 248-625-2212.

Ye Olde Madrigal Dinner, Clarkston High School Choirs, 6:30 p.m., Dec. 10-11, Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center, 6093 Flemings Lake Road. Renaissance-inspired food with live entertainment. King's Table, seats eight, \$250; Nobility Seating, \$30; Gentry Seating, \$25. Call Jodi at 248-875-7849.

Army/Navy game festivities for veterans, 2 p.m., Dec. 11, American Legion Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road. Food, door prizes, drawings at the end of each quarter. All veterans invited.

Annie Capps Trio and Ben Bedford, Carrick House Concert, 4 p.m., Dec. 12. Folk music, Americana. Seating limited. \$10 donation. 248-394-0113.

Sounds of the Holidays concert, Clarkston Community Band, 7 p.m., Dec. 13, Clarkston High School Auditorium, 6093 Flemings Lake

Around Town

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



Road. Features Santa and other friends of the Clarkston Community Band, www.clarkstoncommunityband.org.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group, 7 p.m., Dec. 14. Holiday Memorial Candle Lighting Ceremony with guest speaker, psychologist/grief specialist, Dr. John Canine. Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. Free, open to the public. 248-625-5231.

Winter Choir Concert, 7 p.m., Dec. 16, featuring SMS 6th/7th Grade Choir, CJHS Mixed Choir, CJHS Treble Choir, CHS Choralaires, CHS Madrigals, Clarkston Chorale. Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" with the CHS Orchestra, audience invited to help sing on stage. \$5. 248-623-3519.

Children's Christmas program, 7 p.m., Dec. 17, Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. About 175 children, students at The Learning Experience, will perform. 248-625-5285.

Blood drive, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Dec. 17, Independ-

ence Township Fire Department, 6500 Citation. Sponsors, fire department and Clarkston Area Lions. Go to www.redcrossblood.org to register, code: ifdlions.

Benefit dinner for John Jasso of Independence Township, 1-5 p.m., Dec. 19, Edna Burton Senior Center, 345 Ball Street, Ortonville. Spaghetti dinner, \$5/adults, \$3/children 5-12, free/children under 5. Silent auction and bake sale. Call Donna, 248-627-6235; Wendy, 248-935-7328; or Samantha, 989-820-9299.

Weekly meetings

Monday

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. 248-507-4839.

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Clarkston Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road. \$10. 248-625-6736.

Tuesday

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

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, second Tuesday, 7 p.m., Clarkston Community Education Building, 6300 Church Street on Waldon. 248-623-4313.

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

Wednesday

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. No class, Dec. 22, 29. Starting Jan. 3, Mondays, 1:30-4 p.m.

Thursday

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.

Clarkston Community Womens Club, third Thursday, 7 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Guests always welcome. 248-620-3255.

MOPS, Mothers Of Preschoolers, first and third Thursdays, 9-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. Call Saleena, 734-620-2844.

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Rumors cast members are, top from left, Gabe Fenske, Patrick Nalepa, Donald Allen, Ben Bates, David Smith, Ben Marcial, Mary Smith, Thomas Lannen, and Blake Burgess, front from left, Hannah Terbrack, Fabiana Diaz, Annie Toohey, and Morgan Rendell, and, not pictured, Mikayla Thibodeau.

Thought provoking play from Everest

Everest Collegiate Drama Club presents the two-act comedy Rumors, by Neil Simon, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 11-12. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Rumors tells the story of three married couples arriving at a 10th anniversary party for their friends Myra and Charlie, and is set in 1990s New York City.

"The plot line is rife with rumors, innuendo and damaging half truths," said Aileen Cronin, director. "It is a modern morality play dealing with the insidious nature of idle gossip and hastily drawn conclusions based on ill formed, sketchy information."

Assuming the worst about one another as individuals and couples, the characters

jump to conclusions that are not only unflattering and totally false, but also potentially ruinous. The dénouement sorts out all misunderstandings and mix-ups, ending with a celebration for all the married couples, Cronin said.

"Our production aspires to provoke thoughts of personal responsibility and the power of the spoken word," she said. "From biblical characters such as Ruth and Mary, to Shakespearean tragic heroine, Desdemona, many individuals have suffered the consequences of suspicion and the rumor mill. Hopefully, all who attend will leave a bit more mindful of the power of words."

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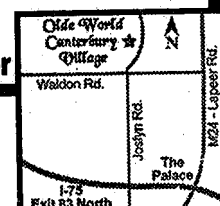
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Eagle Scout Brent Cousino leads a repair project to the Clinton River bank in Depot Park. *File photo*

Eagle awarded to scout

Boy Scout Troop 189 presented the rank of Eagle Scout to **Brent Cousino** of Clarkston, Oct. 24 at Calvary Lutheran Church.

Cousino's Eagle project was to restore the shore of the Clinton River in Depot Park. The project involved removing waste from the river, researching types of native plants and planting those native plants along the shore, and putting in supporting walls made of maple logs.

The plants prevent harmful chemicals and other pollutants from entering the watershed. Cousino and 22 other scouts spent 213 hours

in planning and completing the project. They returned a year later to enhance the project.

Cousino is also a member of the Order of the Arrow, and served as senior patrol leader and junior assistant scoutmaster.

He is a senior at Clarkston High School, and member of National Honor Society, and varsity football, basketball, and track.

He has not yet made a decision about what college to attend but is interested in pursuing environmental engineering. His proud parents are Gary and Lisa Cousino, and he also has a younger brother Scott and sister Kelly.

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He is the son of Michael and Vicki Navarre of Amy Drive, Clarkston, Mich.

Navarre Jr. graduated in 2005 from Clarkston High School, and received a

bachelor's degree in 2010 from Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Nicholas **LaMora** of Clarkston was promoted to corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps.

LaMora is stationed in Japan and has been trained in the field of electrical avionics. He has been with the Marines for almost three years and will spend his next duty station in California in June.

He attended basic training at Parris Island and continued his schooling in Florida and Cherry Point, S.C. He finished top in his class for electrical avionics at Cherry Point.



He is a 2007 graduate of Clarkston High School and was married in September to a fellow Marine, Corporal Valerie Hernandez.

Send milestones to 5 S. Main St. or Clarkstonnews@gmail.com

Religion

Christmas: whoever takes the Son gets it all

A very wealthy man shared his passion for art collecting with his devoted young son. Together they traveled around the world, adding fine treasures to their collection.

But then the world went to war, and the young man left to serve his country. After only a few short weeks, his father received a telegram that his beloved son had been killed while carrying a fellow soldier to safety.

On Christmas morning, a knock came at the door of the old man's home, and as he opened the door he was greeted by a soldier with a large package in his hand.

"I am the one your son was rescuing when he died," he said. "May I come in? I have something to show you."

The soldier entered saying, "I'm not much of an artist, but I want to give you this." As the old man unwrapped the package, the paper gave way to reveal a portrait of his son. Though the art critics would never consider the work a piece of genius, the painting captured the details of the son's appearance, and something of his personality. The portrait

was added to the old man's treasured collection.

The following spring, the old man became ill and passed away. The art world was in anticipation, as the family collection was to be auctioned.

The auction began with a painting that was not on anyone's wish list. It was the painting of the man's son. The auctioneer asked for an opening bid. The room was silent. "Who will open the bidding with \$100?" he asked.

Minutes passed with not a sound from those who came to buy. From the back of the room someone callously called out, "Who cares? It's just a picture of his son. Let's forget it and go on to the important paintings." But the auctioneer replied, "No, we have to sell this one first. Now, who will take the son?"

Finally, a friend of the old man spoke. "I knew the boy, so I'd like to have it. I will bid the \$100." "I have a bid for \$100," called the auctioneer. "Will anyone go higher?" After a long silence, the auctioneer said, "Going once. Going twice. Gone." The gavel fell.

Cheers filled the room and someone was heard to say, "Now we can get on with it!" But the auctioneer looked at the audience

and announced the auction was over.

Stunned disbelief quieted the room. Someone spoke up and asked, "What do you mean it's over? What about all of these paintings? There are millions of dollars worth of art here! We demand that you explain what's going on!"

The auctioneer replied, "It's very simple. According to the will of the father, whoever takes the son... gets it all."

That is the essence of the story of Christmas: Whoever takes the Son gets it all. The Bible puts it like this: "God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life" (1 John 5:11:12).

We have lots of things on our wish lists – treasures we think we'd like to own. But the only thing we need is the free gift God has made available to all who will receive Him: God's own Son, Jesus Christ. And when we receive him – we get it all: every spiritual blessing, freedom, forgiveness, grace, wisdom, and understanding (Ephesians 1:3-14). Somehow, when we have Him, all the rest seems less important.

The Rev. LuAnn Rourke is pastor of Seymour Lake United Methodist Church.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor LuAnn Rourke

In our churches...

Christmas Carols with brass quintet, organ and timpani, Westminster Handbell Ringers, Choir, 10 a.m., Dec. 12, Community Presbyterian Church, 4301 Monroe at Sashabaw. 248-673-7805.

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. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park, call Tim, 248-628-6825, or Joann. 248-673-2539.

DC4K, DivorceCare for Kids, safe, fun place where children ages 5-12 learn to understand their feelings, express emotions appropriately, feel better about themselves, and make friends.

See In Our Churches, page 10B

Church Directory

SASHABAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
"Little Church with a Big Heart"
5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston
Worship 11:00 am
Nursery Provided
Phone (248) 673-3101

ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
7010 Valley Park Dr. Clarkston
(W. of M-15, S. of I-75)
625-4580
Rev. Christopher Maus
Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am
Nursery Available 9:00 & 11:00 am
Religious Education: 625-1750
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Scripture Study, Youth Group

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
2449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston
(248) 394-0200
Fax: (248) 394-2142
Rev. Doctor Martin Hall
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Children's Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Dream Keepers Youth Group
Bible Study
Wednesday 7:00 pm
Youth Groups 6-12
Wednesday 6:30 pm
www.FirstCongregationalChurch.org

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
6490 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston
Sunday 8 am & 10 am
Holy Eucharist
Sunday School 9:55 am
Nursery Provided
www.clarkstonepiscopal.org
248-625-2325

ST. TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
"Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod"
Pastor: Rev. Kendall Schaeffer
7925 Sashabaw Road
(1/4 mile N. of DTE Music Theater)
Clarkston, MI 48348
(248) 625-4644
www.sainttrinitylutheran.com
e-mail: sttrinity@comcast.net
Breakfast Worship - Clarkston
CV-10/20/30 am, Thurs 9:00 am
Broadcast Worship - Waterford
CITY-10 Tues 2:30 pm
Worship:
Sunday 8:15 am & 11:00 am
Sat. 6:00 pm
Sunday School 9:45 am
Preschool: 3-4 years old
Preschool: 620-6154

CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston
248-625-1611
Website: clarkstonumc.org
Sunday Worship: 9:00 am & 11:15 am & 6:11 pm
Nursery available for all services

DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH
8595 Dixie Highway, Clarkston, MI
(248) 625-2311
website: www.dixiebaptist.org
Home of Springfield Christian Academy & Children's Ark Preschool
Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman
Sun: 10:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship
11:00 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Worship Service
Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA
7:00 pm Teen Meetings
& Adult Bible Study
Nursery available for all services

CLARKSTON FREE METHODIST CHURCH
2482 Winch, Clarkston
(corner of Maybee & Winch)
248-623-1224
Service 9:00 - 10:30
www.ClarkstonFM.org
Wednesday 7 pm
Youth & Adult Ministry

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CLARKSTON
5972 Paramus, Clarkston, MI
(248) 625-3380
Located 2 blks. N. of Dixie Hwy (E. of M-15)
Pastor: Russell Reemtsma
Sun: 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship
10:30 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Service
Wed: 6:15 pm Awana Club
6:30 pm Teen Ministry
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

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Clarkston, MI 48348
www.peaceunitychurch.org

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4453 Clintonville Rd. at Mann Rd., Waterford, MI
Sunday School at 9:15 am
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 am
Bible Study Wed. Eve., 6:30 pm at Church Offices - Yellow House
7205 Clintonville Rd., Clarkston, MI
Phone (248) 858-2577
Fax (248) 858-7706

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Clarkston, 48348
(248) 625-1344
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Wed. 6:45 pm Fit For Life
Adult Life Ministry
c.r.a. v.e. Student Life Ministry
Ozone - Children's Life Ministry
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248-625-3288
Pastor Jonathan Heierman
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Also at both 9:30 & 11:00:
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Wednesday Evenings:
6:00-8:30 pm
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Nursery, Children & Youth Programming
www.calvaryinfo.org

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(248) 625-1323
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Bonita Langeman, Keyin Kuehne,
Dan Whiting, Geoff Black
Sunday Worship 9:15 & 11:00 am
Nursery Care at all services
Wednesday Children's Ministries
6:00-8:00 pm
Sunday Youth Ministries
5:00-7:00 pm
www.clarkstoncommunity.com



Dick Moscovic, general contractor, installs the store's cruxifix.



Bill Brazier, executive director for St. Vincent de Paul, southeast Michigan, is joined by the Rev. Lawrence J. Delonnay, businessman Ray Weingartz, and other community representatives to open the new thrift store.

New store uses proceeds for the poor

Society of St. Vincent de Paul opened its newest Thrift Store on 5395 Dixie Highway with a Blessing Ceremony, Dec. 2.

"People are hurting all over – the store will be a great benefit to the area," said Bill Brazier of Clarkston, executive director for St. Vincent de Paul, southeast Michigan. "We'll be wherever we need to be to do the most good and help the most people."

"It was a lot of hard work, and there's still a lot of work to do," said Larry Griffin, store manager in Clinton Township and member of

the society's Operations Team for southeast Michigan. "A number of people have already offered donations and to volunteer."

The store has sections offering apparel, most \$1-\$5, boutique items in St. Vincent de Paul's Dress for Success program, miscellaneous items, and a full-service donation center.

Proceeds from the store support the society's programs for the poor.

For more information, call 877-788-4623.

– Phil Custodio



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248.241.6597

CATERING



Gregg's Gourmet Cafe
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248-625-6612

BAR & GRILLE



Hamlin Pub
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248.922.1700

FAMILY DINING



Union Wood Shop
18 S. Main St
Clarkston
248.625.5660

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Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

The Charter Township of Independence December Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall Board Room on Tuesday, Dec 14, 2009 at 9:00 am. This office is located at 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, MI 48346.

Sincerely,
Beverly Shaver, CMAE 3
Independence Township Assessor
248 625-8114

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON MI 48346
SUMMARY MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 08, 2010

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

Ms Jan Gillespie, Clerk/Treasurer, swore into office Mayor Joe Luginski for a two year term. Ms Gillespie also swore into office Councilwoman Peg Roth, Councilman Charles Inabnit and Councilman Richard Bisio all for a two year term.

Roll call was called by Mayor Luginski - Present - Bisio, Brueck, Hargis, Hunter, Luginski, Inabnit, Roth

Absent- Others Present - City Manager Ritter, Attorney Ryan Mayor Luginski opened the Public Hearing on the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) at 7:06 p.m. City Manager Ritter explained the proposed allocation for the money for the PY2011

No comments from the public. Mayor Luginski closed public hearing at 7:08 p.m. Moved by Brueck, supported by Roth to "Approve the PY2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application in the approximate amount of \$8,000 as follows and authorize Mayor Joseph Luginski to sign the application and submit the documents to Oakland County."

Account Number	Project Name	Amount
172170-731696	Construct carport at Senior Center	\$4,000
172170-731696	Install handi-cap railing the entire Length of all outdoor walkways and Handi-cap ramps at Senior Center	\$2,000
172160-732185	Clarkston Area Youth Assistance Provides programming and services To the entire Clarkston Community For 2010-2011 school year	\$2,000

Motion carried.

Moved by Hunter, supported by Inabnit to "Approve the PY2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subrecipient Agreement between the County of Oakland and the City of the Village of Clarkston."

Moved by Bisio to table the Subrecipient Agreement between the County and the City - no one seconded to table.

Motion carried to approve the agreement between Oakland County and the City of the Village of Clarkston to distribute the CDBG monies.

Moved by Bisio, supported by Inabnit to "Move AGENDA item 12 (c) Motion - Update on 90 North Main- to 10 (c) under City Manager's Report and to move item 12(b) Presentation - Keep Michigan Beautiful Distinguished Award after # 8 Public Comments."

Motion carried. Moved by Inabnit, supported by Roth to "Approve the Agenda as changed."

Motion approved. Moved by Inabnit, supported by Roth to "Approve the Consent Agenda as presented after pulling (E) Police Report for a verbal report from Lt LaBair. Motion carried.

Moved by Bisio, with support by Brueck to, "Direct the city attorney to (1) prepare a written memo to the City Council and City manager setting out the legal rights and liabilities of the City and the owner of 90 North Main Street regarding the future use of that property; (2) provide the memo to the City Council and City Manager on or before December 6, 2010; and (3) attend the Council meeting on December 13, 2010 to discuss the memo with the Council in a closed session consistent with the Open Meetings Act." Motion carried.

Moved by Councilman Bisio, supported by Hunter to "Expand the charge of the committee to include studying and reporting on (1) the alternative of contracting with the Oakland County Sheriff to provide supplemental law enforcement services to the City beyond those provided under the contract for law enforcement services between the City and Independence Township; and (2) any other alternative to providing supplemental law enforcement services to the City in lieu of having those services delivered via an employee of the City; and to direct the committee to solicit broad public input into the committee's deliberations by holding a well-publicized public hearing and taking other appropriate steps to obtain input from City residents and businesses." Motion failed.

Resolved by Brueck, supported by Hargis to "Appoint Kimberly Howe as Clerk/Treasurer for the City of the Village of Clarkston with a yearly salary of \$14,500." ROLL CALL: Yeas - Bisio Hargis, Luginski, Inabnit, Roth, Brueck, Hunter

Nays - None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Moved by Mayor Luginski, supported by Inabnit to "Nominate and vote to elect Councilman Tom Hunter as Mayor Pro Tem." Motion carried.

Resolved by Brueck, supported by Hunter to, "Go Into Closed Session on 164 North Main - State Historic Commission regarding Cousens and the City of the Village of Clarkston Historical District Commission final decision."

ROLL CALL: Yeas - Brueck, Inabnit, Roth, Bisio, Hunter, Luginski, Hargis

Nays - None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Closed session started 9:54 p.m. Resolved by Inabnit, supported by Roth to "Come out of the Closed session at 10:31 and go into Open Session."

ROLL CALL: Yeas - Luginski, Hargis, Bisio, Inabnit, Roth Brueck, Hunter

Nays - None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Open Session started at 10:32 p.m. Resolved Hunter, supported by Roth that "Council instruct our attorney to not pursue an appeal to the Oakland County Circuit Court regarding decision made at 164 North Main." Decision is technical and does not have any precedential merit on future Historic District decisions."

ROLL CALL: Yeas - Hargis, Luginski, Bisio, Roth, Inabnit, Hunter

Nays - Brueck

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Janet C. Gillespie Clerk/Treasurer

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

Estate of Charles W. Reid II, aka Charles W. Reid, Jr. Date of birth 4-30-1927

TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Charles W. Reid II, who lived at 27633 Lahser #303, Southfield, Michigan died 4-22-2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to June C. Whittler, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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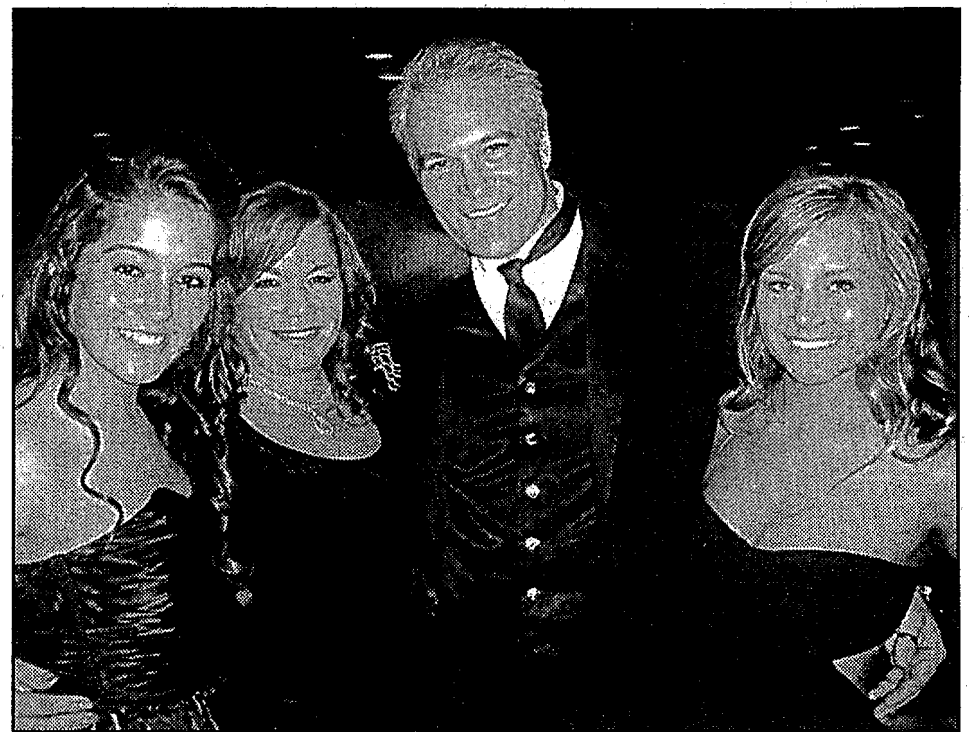
STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of Flossie M Reid aka Flossie Mae Reid. Date of birth: 11-27-1927.

TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Flossie M. Reid, who lived at 27633 Lahser #303, Southfield, Michigan died 11-06-2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to June C. Whittler, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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The Wright family at "The Tree of Dreams" charity events, Dec. 4.

Belle Visage Spa holiday touch

Dr. Thomas and Tracey Wright, longtime Clarkston residents, are proud owners of Belle Visage Laser Medical Spa, located off Sashabaw Road in Independence Township.

The spa has been voted Oakland County's Best of the Best five years running. The spa is elegant yet cozy and offers something for everyone. They have a hearth room complete with a wet bar and fireplace. The spa definitely has a family feel.

"We want everyone to feel pampered and comfortable as if they were our only client," Tracey said.

The Wrights have two daughters, Taylor and Victoria, who both attend Clarkston schools and also play volleyball.

Dr. Thomas Wright handles all medical spa needs and is available for complimentary consultation at Belle Visage Spa. He is also involved in Women's Integrated Healthcare with several locations, one being in Independence Township on Waldon Road.

Tracy runs the spa, and oversees all business and personal details. She is always available to talk to clients, both regulars and those new to Belle Visage Spa.

The couple's daughters are often seen working in the spa when not involved in school activities. The Wrights are also in-

involved in several community fund raisers and charities.

They have very unique in offering a vast array of med spa procedures such as Botox, Restylane, Juvederm, Fraxel, laser hair removal, permanent make-up, just to name a few.

Also, they offer, on the relaxation side of the spa, massages, facials, peels, body wraps and scrubs, manicures, pedicures, and more.

Belle Visage hosts special events ranging from corporate functions, birthday celebrations, bridal showers and "Holiday Parties," which are popular right now.

Come and enjoy your favorite spa amenities, food, drink, and even limo service if needed.

It's recommended to book ahead as they fill up early. Please think of Belle Visage Spa as your one stop shop for the holidays, any of our spa amenities are available in a beautifully wrapped gift certificate. The gift certificates can be purchased at the spa or online at www.bellevisagespa.com.

"The Wright family wishes you and yours a Happy Holidays and a wonderful New Year."

For more information, call Belle Visage Laser Medical Spa, 6507 Town Center, Suite D, at 248-625-3525.

AMERICAN BASEBALL CAMP

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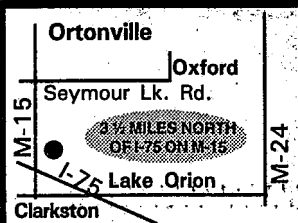
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Obituaries

Geraldine B. Parker, 86

Geraldine B. Parker (Mansfield), "Gerry," of Waterford, passed away, Dec. 4, 2010, at age 86.

She was preceded in death by her husband James and daughter Glenda McAllister. She was the mother of Randy Parker of Flint and Karen (Terry) Geml of Goodrich; grandma of Jenna and Jodie Parker, Kevin and Kelly McAllister, and Reece and Conner Geml. The family wishes to thank Gerry's many exceptional caregivers through the years.

Funeral service was Dec. 7 at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Alzheimers Association or Genesys Hospice. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Loretta Shaheen, 55

Loretta Ann Shaheen (Blonde), "Lori" "Rett," age 55, of Davisburg, passed away, Dec. 1, 2010, after a valiant 23 year battle with multiple sclerosis.

She was the beloved wife of Robert C. Blonde, Jr.; loving mother of Rob Blonde and Samantha Blonde; daughter of Emil and Theresa Shaheen; sister of Lawrence (Sherri) Shaheen, Louis (Barbara) Shaheen, Paula (Todd) Holz, and Judith (John) Purrenhage; daughter in law of Robert C. Blonde Sr. and Florence J. Blonde; also survived by many nieces and nephews, brothers and sisters in law, friends and loved ones.

Rosary service was Dec. 6 at the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Dec. 7 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford. Rite of Committal Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Memorials may be made to National Multiple Sclerosis Society or Guardian Angel Hospice. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Mary Ann Shiff, 75

Mary Ann Elizabeth Shiff (Schraufnagel), beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to many, went to be with her heavenly Father on Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010.

Mary Ann was born in Glidden, Wisc., on May 28, 1935. She made her home in Davisburg after many years in Clarkston. She was a proud member of the Carmelite Community and Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary.

She started her career as a pediatric nurse with The Cradle in Evanston, Ill. She was an avid gardener, homemaker and caretaker to many. She was also known for her "famous" peanut brittle. Mary Ann is preceded in death by her parents Henry and Elizabeth Schraufnagel, three brothers, Hank, Herb, and Virgil Schraufnagel, and grandson Joseph Shiff.

She leaves behind her beloved husband of 54 years, John C. Shiff, children James (Julie) Shiff of Grafton, Wisc., Debra (Riley) Exum of Sweetwater, Tenn., Katherine (John) Brenner of Eden, N.Y., John (Denise) Shiff of Bedford, Texas, and Dean (Kelly) Shiff of Oxford, Mich.; grandchildren Dillon and Abbie Shiff, Andrew (Sarah), Joseph (Heather) Exum, Ashley (Douglas) Loomis, David, Lauren, Anna and Emily Brenner, Samantha and Jacob Shiff, Kara, Kalvyn, Zack and Gabe Robinson, Alicia, Ethan and Noelle Shiff; great grandchildren Mary Katherine and Jack Loomis, and Sean Exum; brothers Basil (Janice) Schraufnagel of Neenah, Wisc., Bill (Loretta) Schraufnagel of Dallas, Texas, and Jack (Diane) Schraufnagel of Bloomington, Ill.; brother in laws Theodore (Nancy) Shiff of Pittsburg, Penn., George Shiff of Evanston, Ill., and Hal (Jan) Shiff of St. Mary, Georgia. She also leaves numerous nieces and nephews along with a host of friends that she loved dearly. Arrangements by **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Dec. 4 at Our Lady of the Lakes Parish, Waterford. Interment, All Saints Cemetery, Waterford. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Bernetta White, 67

Bernetta White, "Bernie," (Neé Hollon), passed away, Nov. 27, 2010, at age 67.

She was the loving mother of Ryan (Barbara) White; and beloved Granny of Reanne.

She retired in 1997 from Clinton Valley Center.

Memorial visitation was Dec. 4 at **Lewis E.**

Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. In lieu of flowers, donations to Susan G. Komen for the Cure at www.info-komen.org/goto/bernie.white. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Janet S. Willson

Janet S. Willson of Clarkston passed away, Dec. 2, 2010.

She was the loving wife of Bill for 58 years; beloved mother of Denise (Jeff) Perna-Miller, Myke (Bill) Spry and Don (Debbie) Willson; grandmother of seven; great grandmother of six; sister of Julie (E.T.) Trainer, Jeff (Rose) Mayo, John (Betty) Mayo, Jim (Arla) Mayo and Jay (Jean) Mayo.

Mrs. Willson was inducted into the Michigan Women's USBWBA Hall of Fame in 2003 and the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame in 2008. She was secretary of the PWBA for 25 years, served on the Michigan State Board for 28 years and the Youth Board for 20 years.

Visitation was Dec. 4-5 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral service was Dec. 6 at Community Presbyterian Church, Waterford. Memorials may be made to Michigan USBC Youth. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



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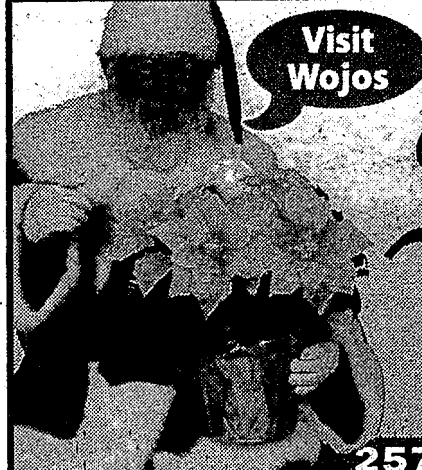
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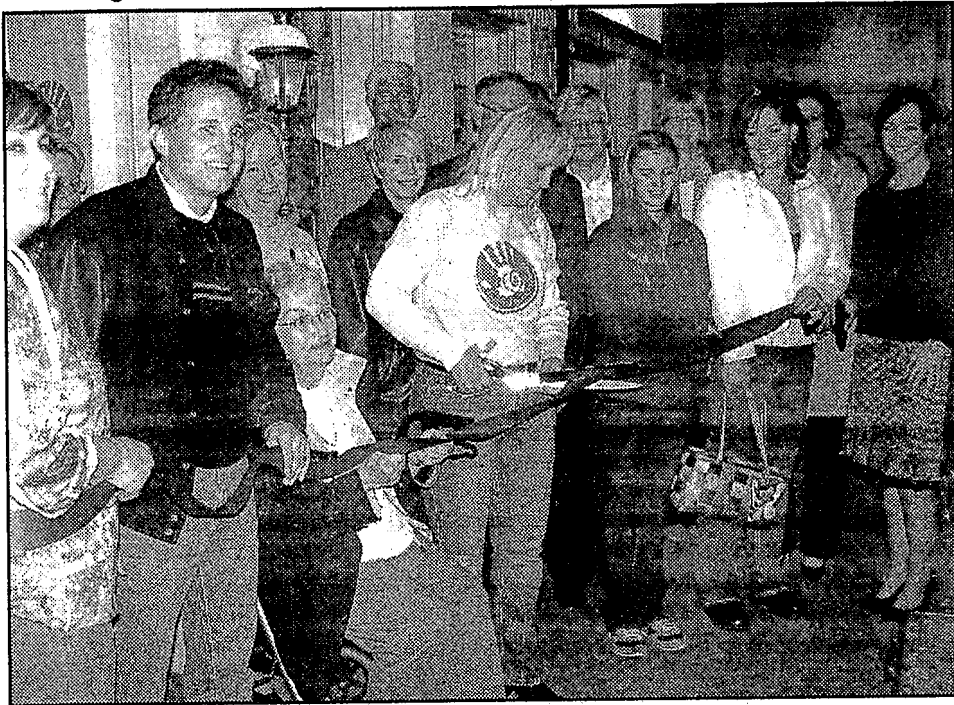
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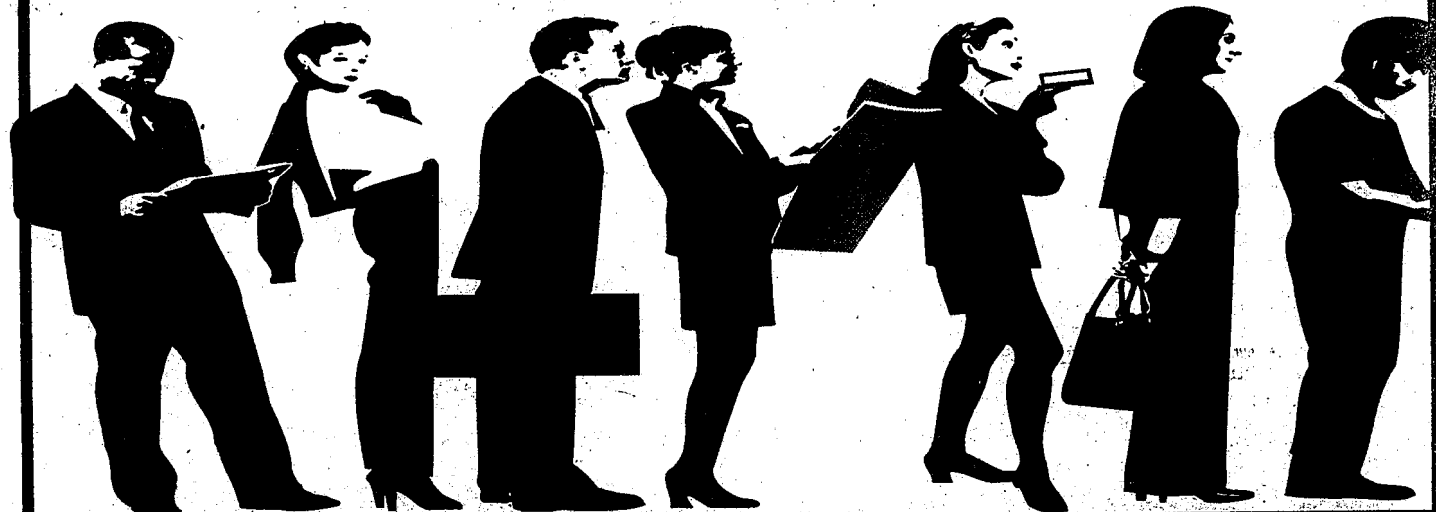
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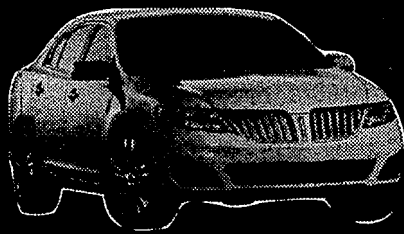
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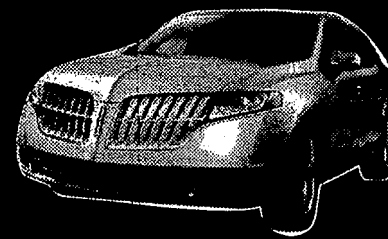


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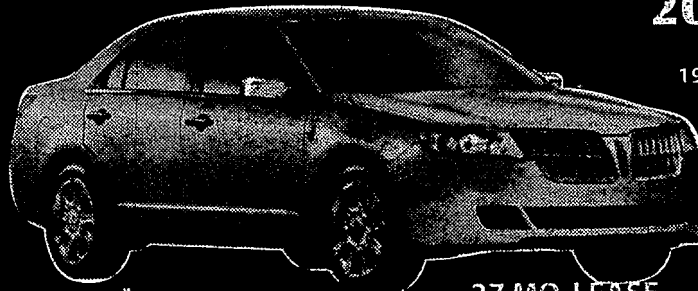


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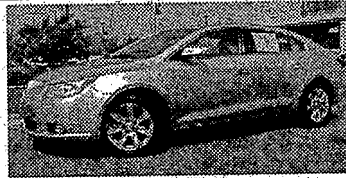
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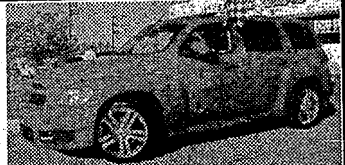
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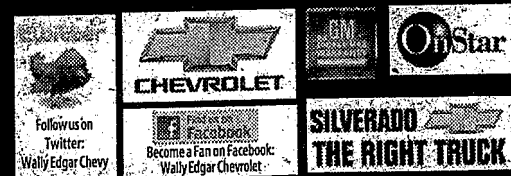
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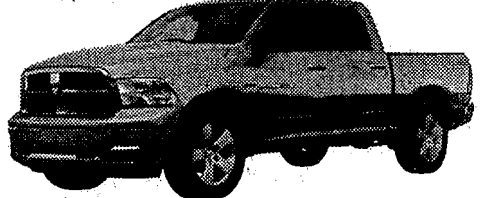


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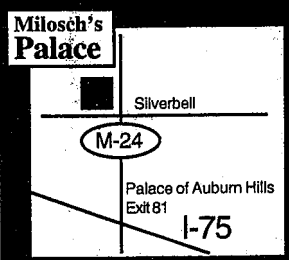
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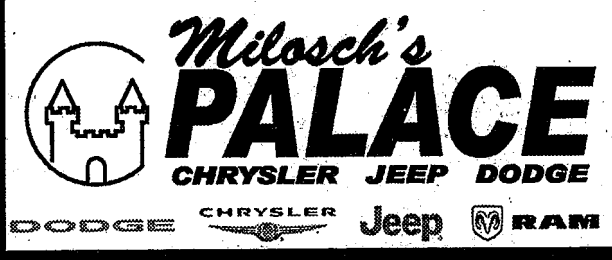


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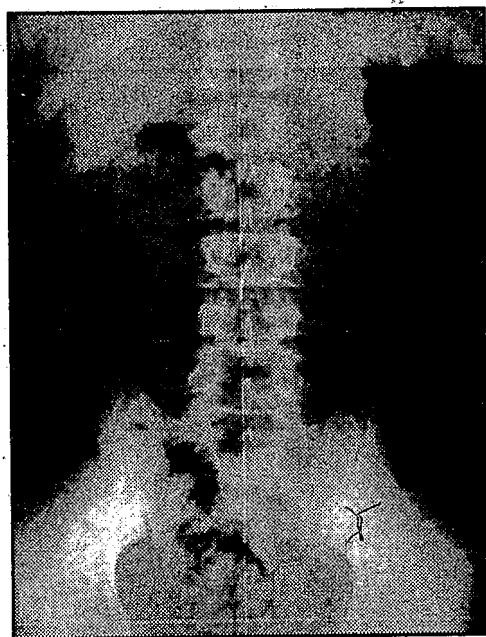
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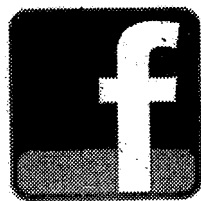
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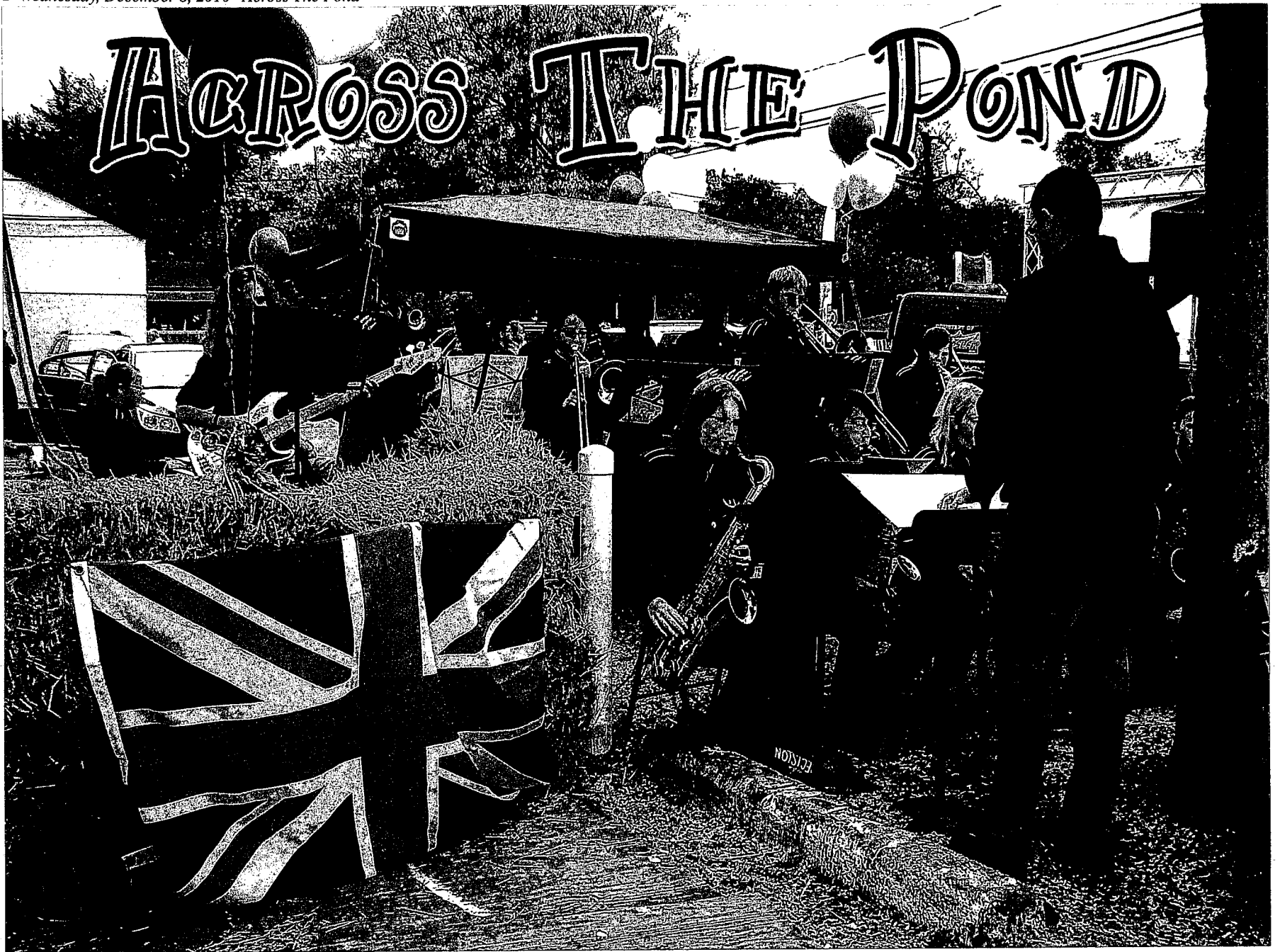
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To help defray the \$2,800 per student costs, *The Clarkston News* invited members of the band to perform in the newspaper's parking lot during the annual Taste of Clarkston.

Clarkston High School Marching Band makes its 4th appearance in London

In a few short weeks students from Clarkston, Michigan in the good ol' US of A, will represent our community before the Queen of England.

The 2010-2011 Clarkston High School Marching Band is set to perform in the Silver Anniversary of the New Year's Day Parade in London. This will be the fourth time the Clarkston Marching Band has been invited to the event in its 25-year history; the last time was in 2001.

This year's band members will leave Michigan on Dec. 27 and land in England on Dec. 28.

The parade proceeds down

Piccadilly to the Palace of Westminster. The streets of London will be lined with over a million people, and estimates are over 250 million people will watch the parade on their televisions.

Last year, a representative of the Queen, Roger Bramble, visited Clarkston to make the official invitation to the locals.

"It's a huge honor," said Clarkston Marching Band Director, Mike Lewis.

Lewis and the marching band have been working on their routine since October. They have been working on raising funds for the trip most of the year. It will cost over \$140,000 to

send the band and chaperones to England -- over \$2,800 per student.

To help, area businesses advertising in this special keepsake publication stepped up to the plate and donated by purchasing ads. Over half of all funds *The Clarkston News* received for this section was given to the band to use for their trip.

We thank those community-minded businesses, and remind parents and students when making your shopping choices, choose the businesses that support you. Remember, **My Clarkston, Buy Clarkston**. Keep your money close to home, where it can do

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This section of *The Clarkston News* will also be posted on our website, www.clarkstonnews.com; copies will be available to the band for additional fund raising opportunities. We included a retail price of \$1.50 on the cover.

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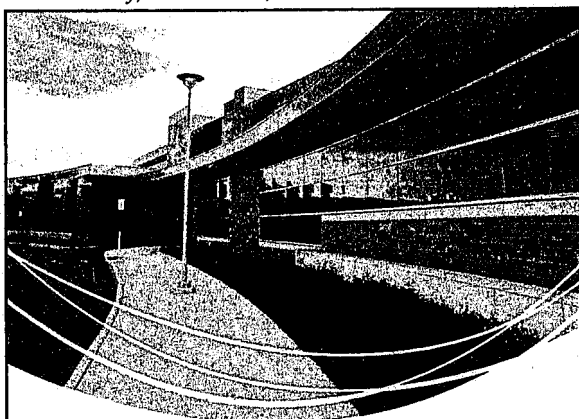


Parents: Pat and Pat Mueller

6 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Tuba

Band Achievements: A one in Solo/Ensemble, 8th grade Honors Band.
Spent a summer at Blue Lake. In freshmen year I joined marching band
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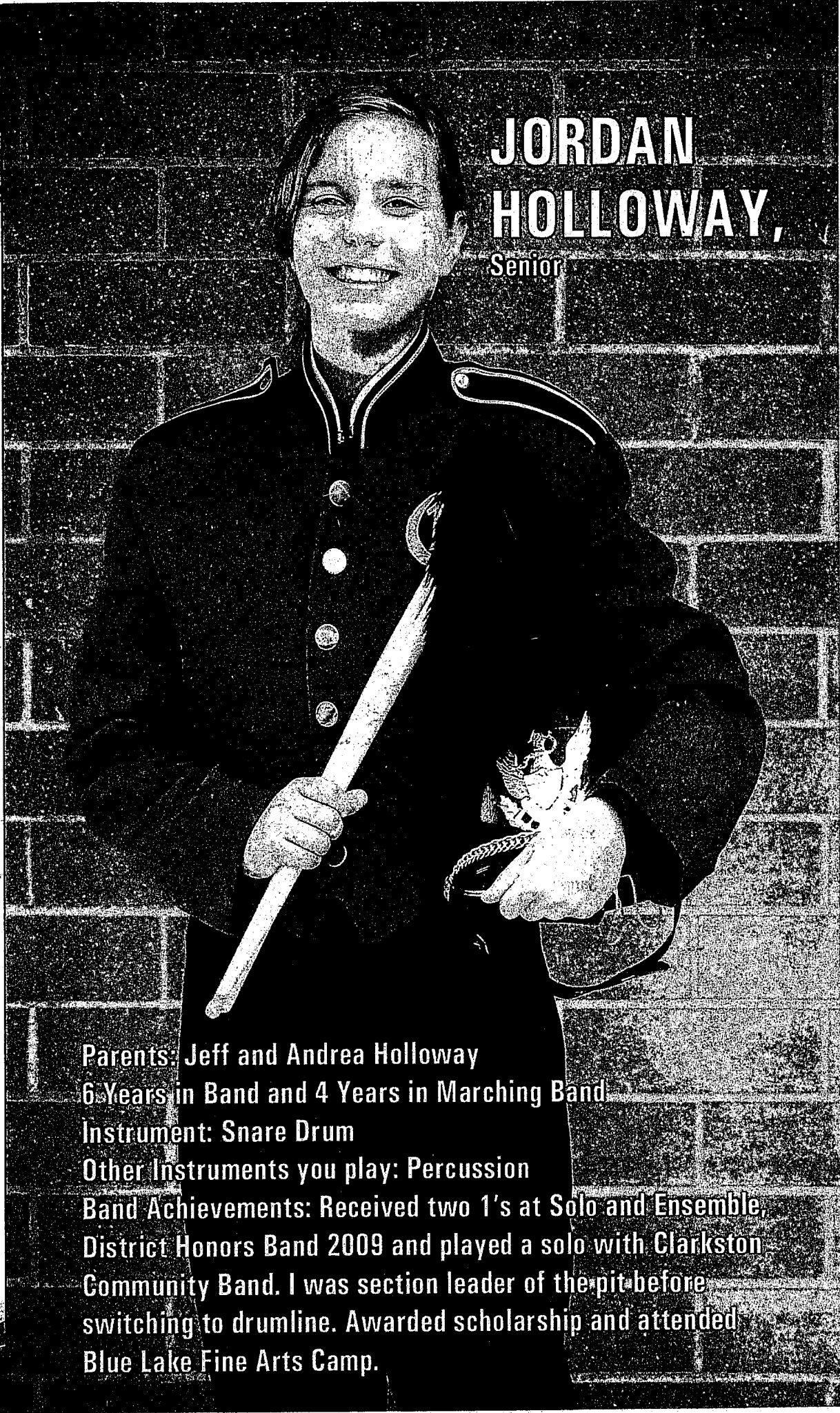
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**JORDAN
HOLLOWAY,**
Senior

Parents: Jeff and Andrea Holloway
6 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Snare Drum
Other Instruments you play: Percussion
Band Achievements: Received two 1's at Solo and Ensemble,
District Honors Band 2009 and played a solo with Clarkston
Community Band. I was section leader of the pit before
switching to drumline. Awarded scholarship and attended
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NICOLE DAVIS,

Sophomore



Parents: Dan and Michele Davis

4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band

Instrument: Trombone

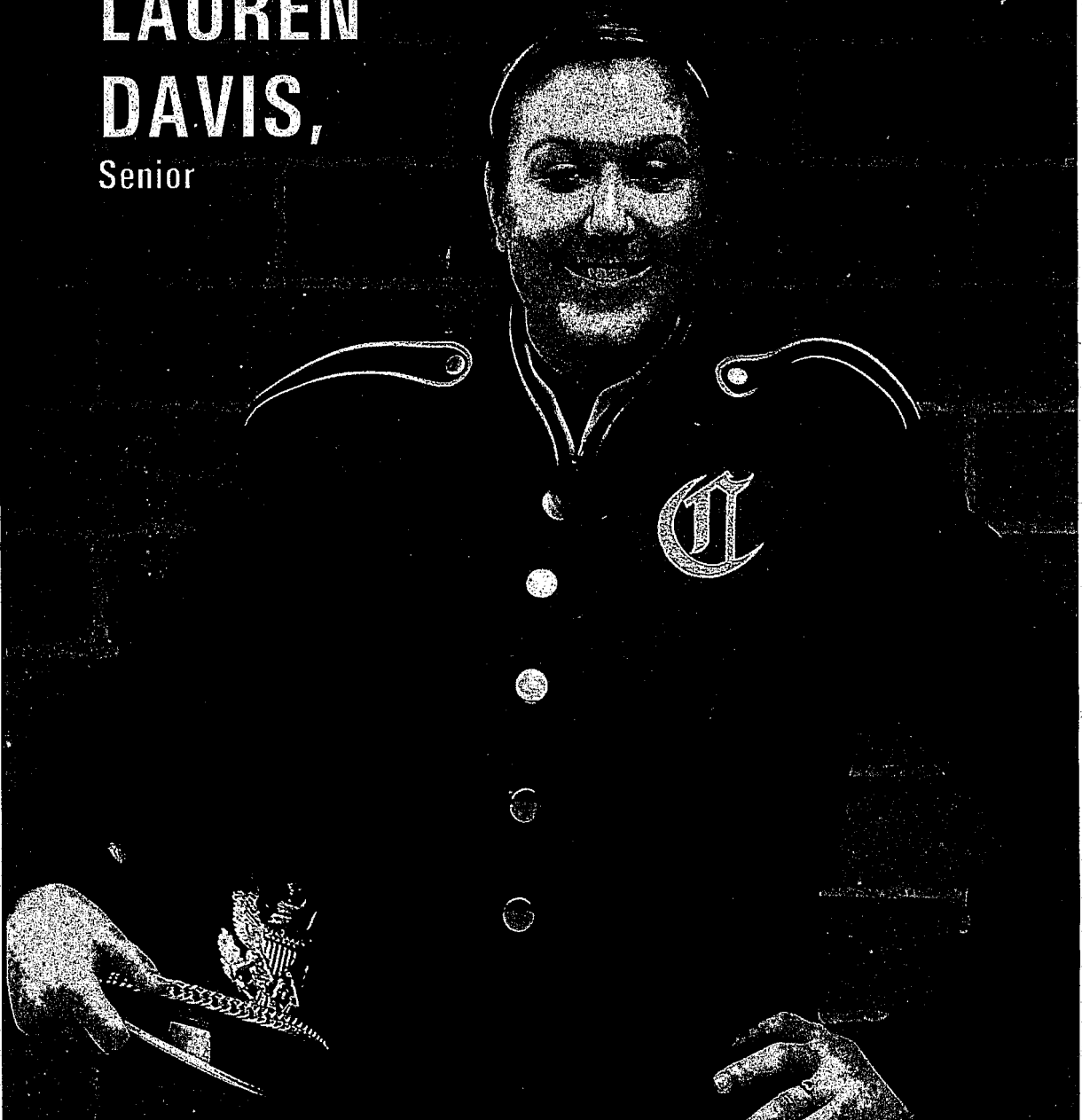
Band Achievements: I participated in Solo and Ensemble in the
6th and 7th grades, receiving one 2nd and two 1st division medals.

I went to the 2008 Clarkston Project Summer Band Camp. This year,
I participated in the All District 4 Honors Band.

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Parents: Susan and Jeffery Davis

7 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Drumline/Pit

Other Instruments you play: Piano for 10 years

Band Achievements: I did 3 years of Solo/Ensemble. Also, I participated in piano guild. I did that for 4 years and my last year I memorized 10 pieces. I play piano for church services, performed for the Clarkston Garden Club party in 2008 and have attended band camps since the 6th grade. I won a Blue Lake Scholarship 3 years ago.

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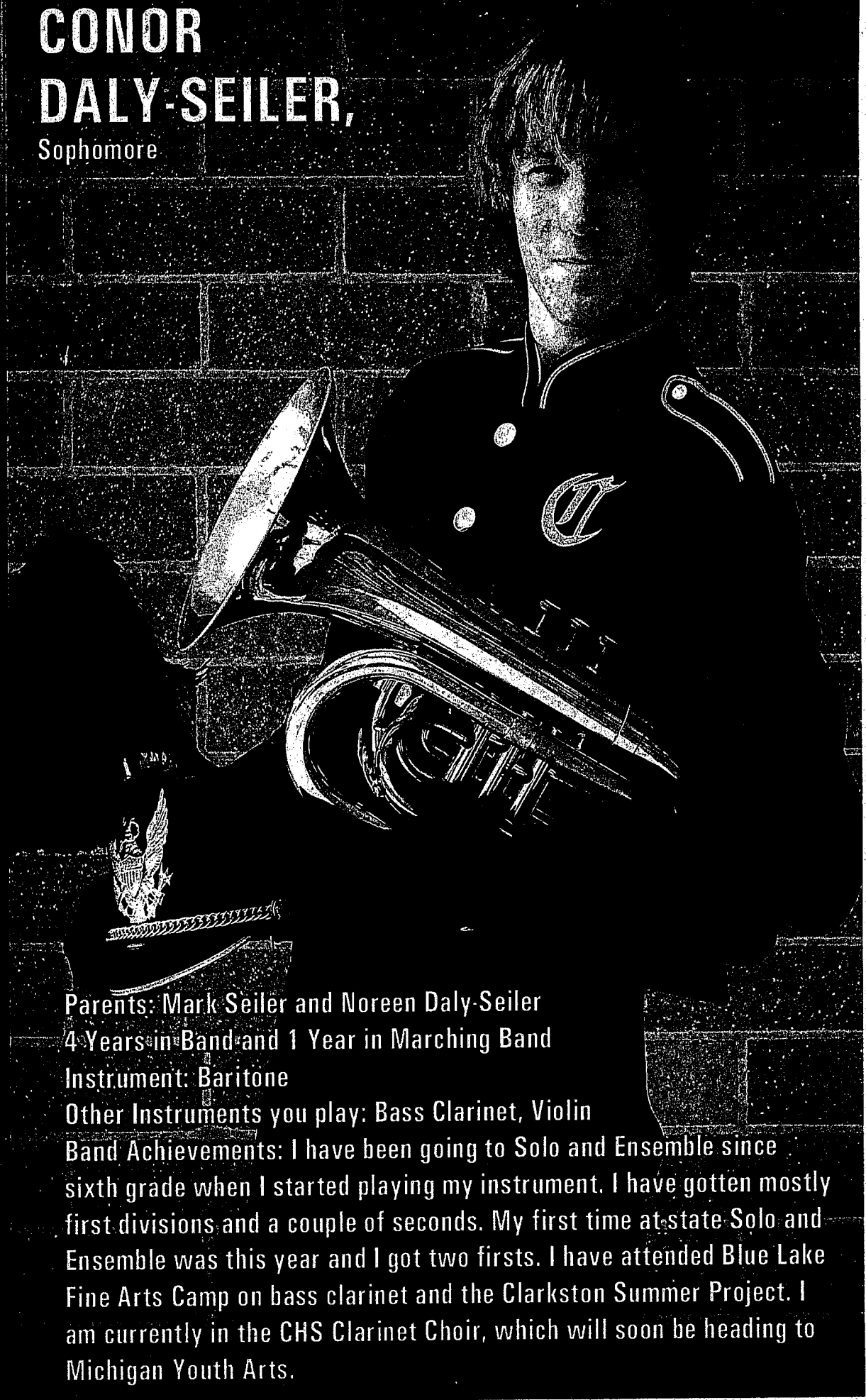
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CONOR DALY-SEILER, Sophomore



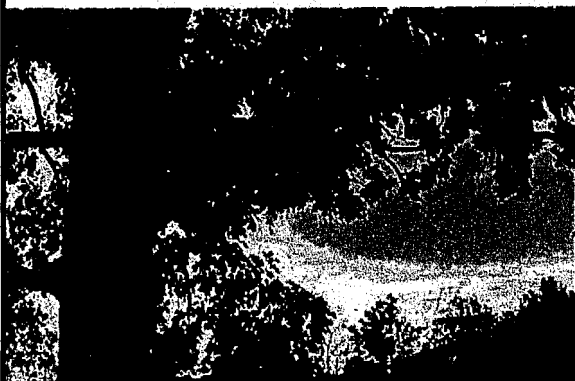
Parents: Mark Seiler and Noreen Daly-Seiler
4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
Instrument: Baritone

Other Instruments you play: Bass Clarinet, Violin
Band Achievements: I have been going to Solo and Ensemble since sixth grade when I started playing my instrument. I have gotten mostly first divisions and a couple of seconds. My first time at state Solo and Ensemble was this year and I got two firsts. I have attended Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp on bass clarinet and the Clarkston Summer Project. I am currently in the CHS Clarinet Choir, which will soon be heading to Michigan Youth Arts.



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MELISSA CHAMBERLAIN,

Senior



Parents: Dan and Shawn Chamberlain

6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Marching Instrument: Drum Major

Other Instruments you play: Clarinet

Band Achievements: Band has been a large part of my life for the past six years. I was elated to be part of the marching band, and enjoyed two years of marching and playing before auditioning and becoming one of the three drum majors. This year I participated in my third honors band, continued playing my clarinet in mass, traveled with the band to Grand Rapids (playing the Eb clarinet), and played with two groups at Solo/Ensemble, one was a quartet that made it through states with a one, and the second was the clarinet choir, which was invited and accepted to perform in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival. Overall, band has had a positive impact on my life.

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CHANEY,**
Sophomore



Parents: Jack and Joelle Chaney
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Instrument: Alto Sax
Other Instruments you play: Bari Sax

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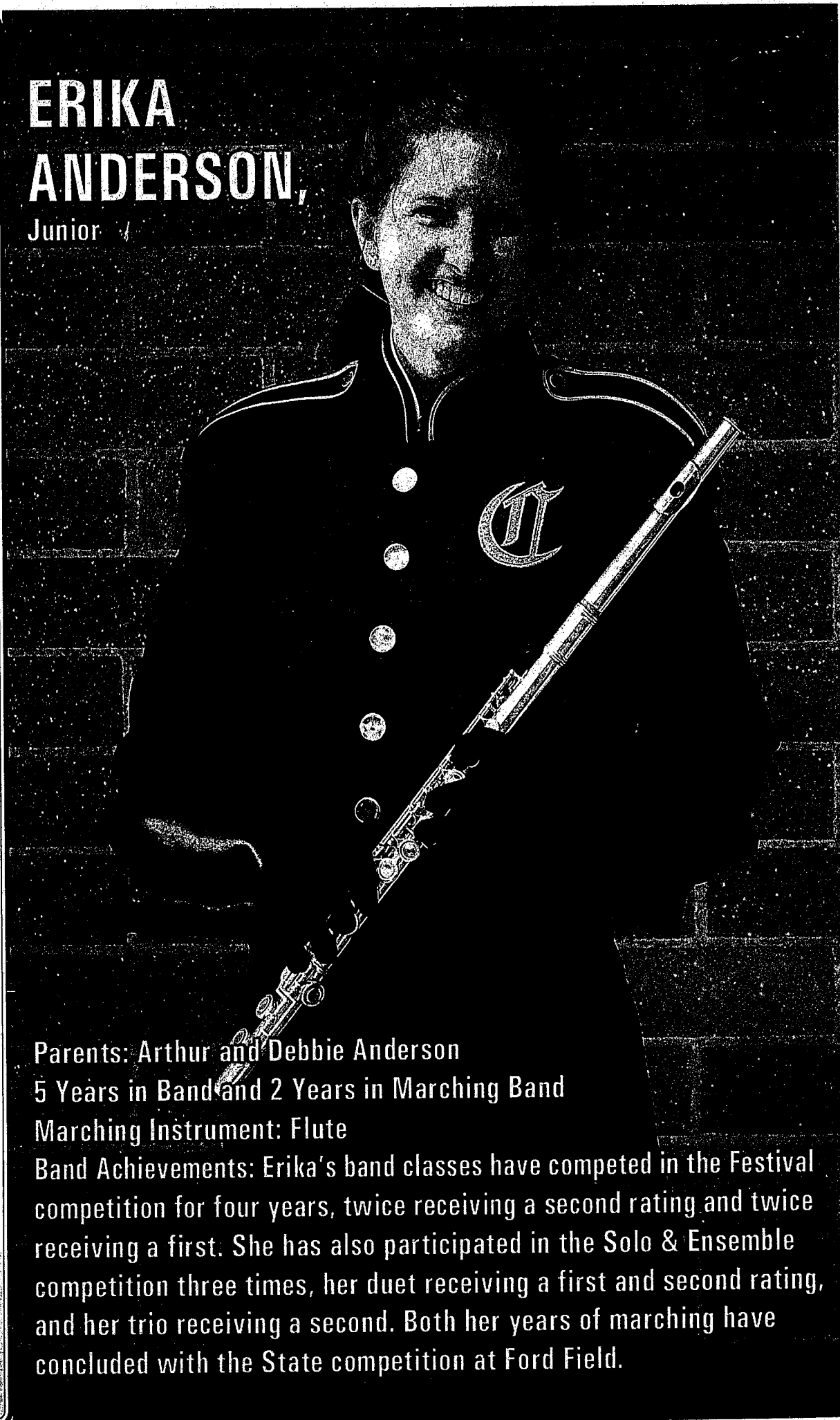
Fred and Sheila Ritter

**ERIKA
ANDERSON,**

Junior

Parents: Arthur and Debbie Anderson
5 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band
Marching Instrument: Flute

Band Achievements: Erika's band classes have competed in the Festival competition for four years, twice receiving a second rating and twice receiving a first. She has also participated in the Solo & Ensemble competition three times, her duet receiving a first and second rating, and her trio receiving a second. Both her years of marching have concluded with the State competition at Ford Field.



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ANDREA DUPART,

Sophomore



Parents: John and Donise Dupart

4 Years in Band and 0 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Mellophone

Other Instruments you play: French Horn, Trumpet

Band Achievements: I've played the french horn for 3 1/2 years.

I've participated in Solo and Ensemble for the past 4 years, either playing a solo, duet or a quintet, receiving either a 1 or 2 ranking.

I've attended summer camp at CHS and enjoy learning jazz and playing different types of music.

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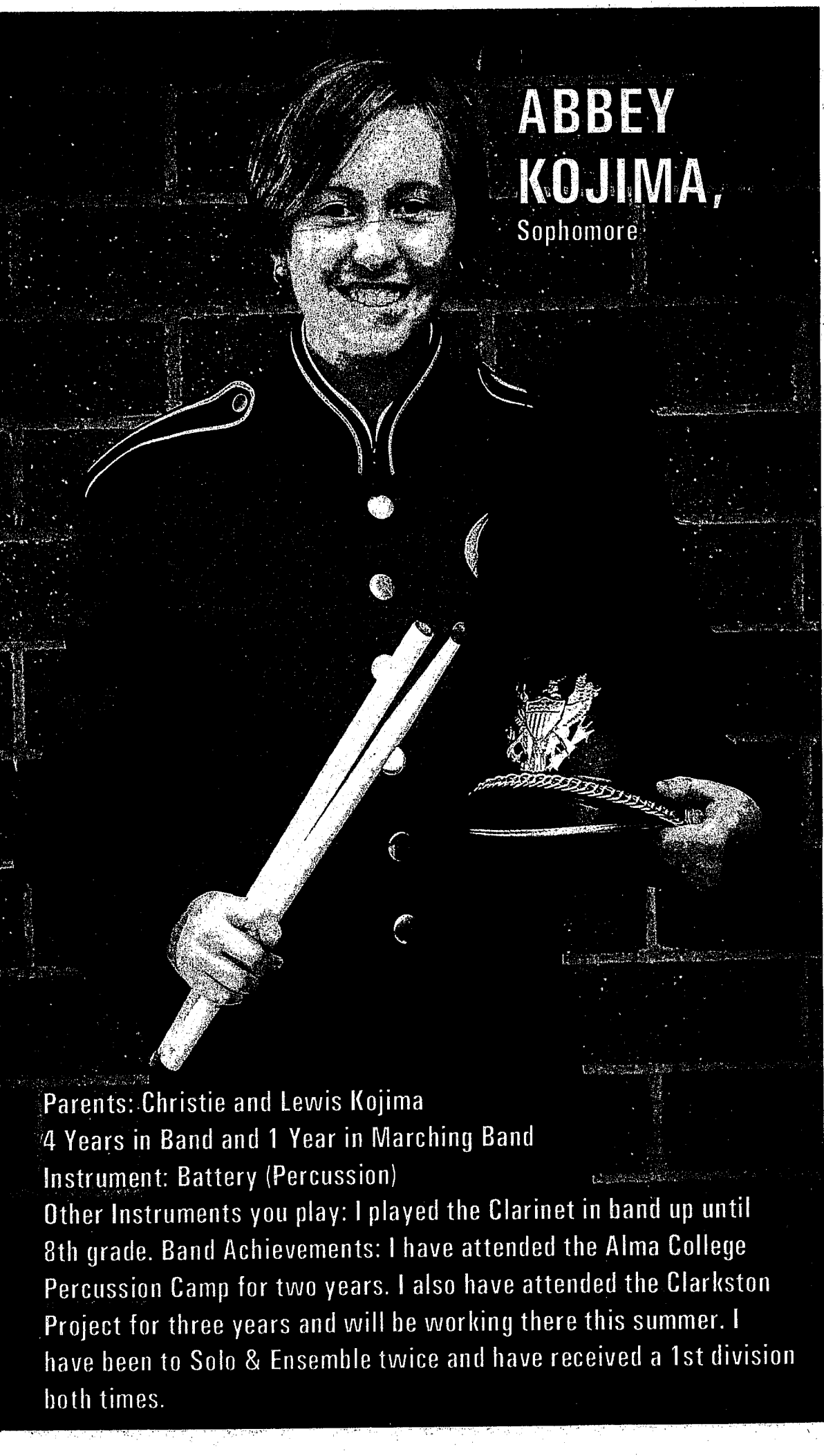
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ABBEY KOJIMA,
Sophomore

Parents: Christie and Lewis Kojima
4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
Instrument: Battery (Percussion)
Other Instruments you play: I played the Clarinet in band up until 8th grade. Band Achievements: I have attended the Alma College Percussion Camp for two years. I also have attended the Clarkston Project for three years and will be working there this summer. I have been to Solo & Ensemble twice and have received a 1st division both times.



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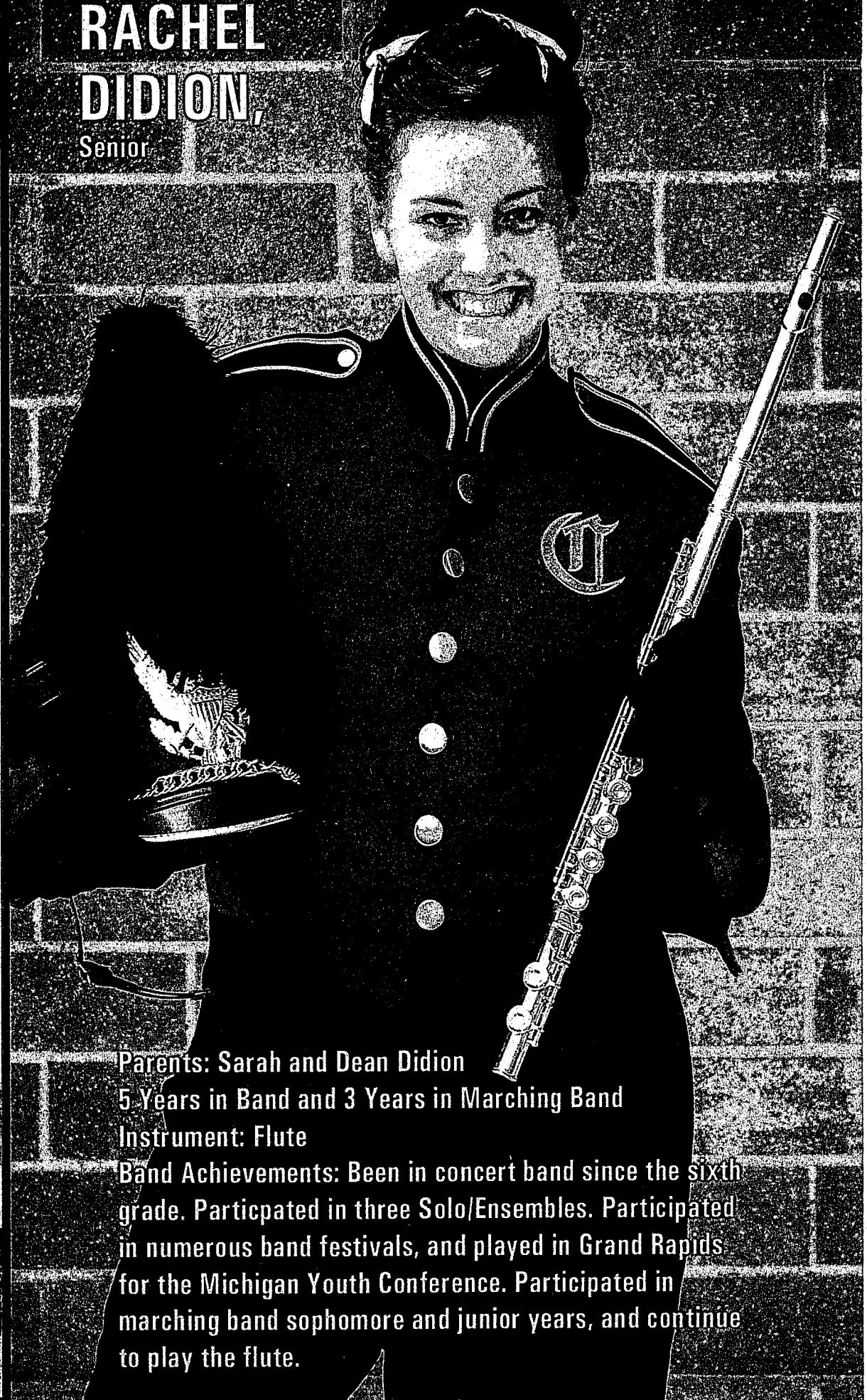
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RACHEL DIDION, Senior



Parents: Sarah and Dean Didion
5 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Flute

Band Achievements: Been in concert band since the sixth grade. Participated in three Solo/Ensembles. Participated in numerous band festivals, and played in Grand Rapids for the Michigan Youth Conference. Participated in marching band sophomore and junior years, and continue to play the flute.

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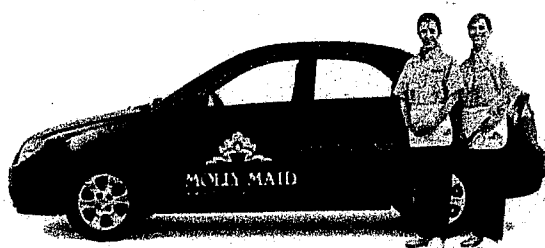
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Sophomore.



Parents: Dan and Michele Davis

4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band

Instrument: Alto Saxophone

Other Instruments you play: Tenor Saxophone

Band Achievements: In sixth and seventh grade I received a II

rating at Solo and Ensemble. I participated this year in the All

District 4 Honor Band. In 2008 I participated in the The Clarkston

Project Summer Band Camp.



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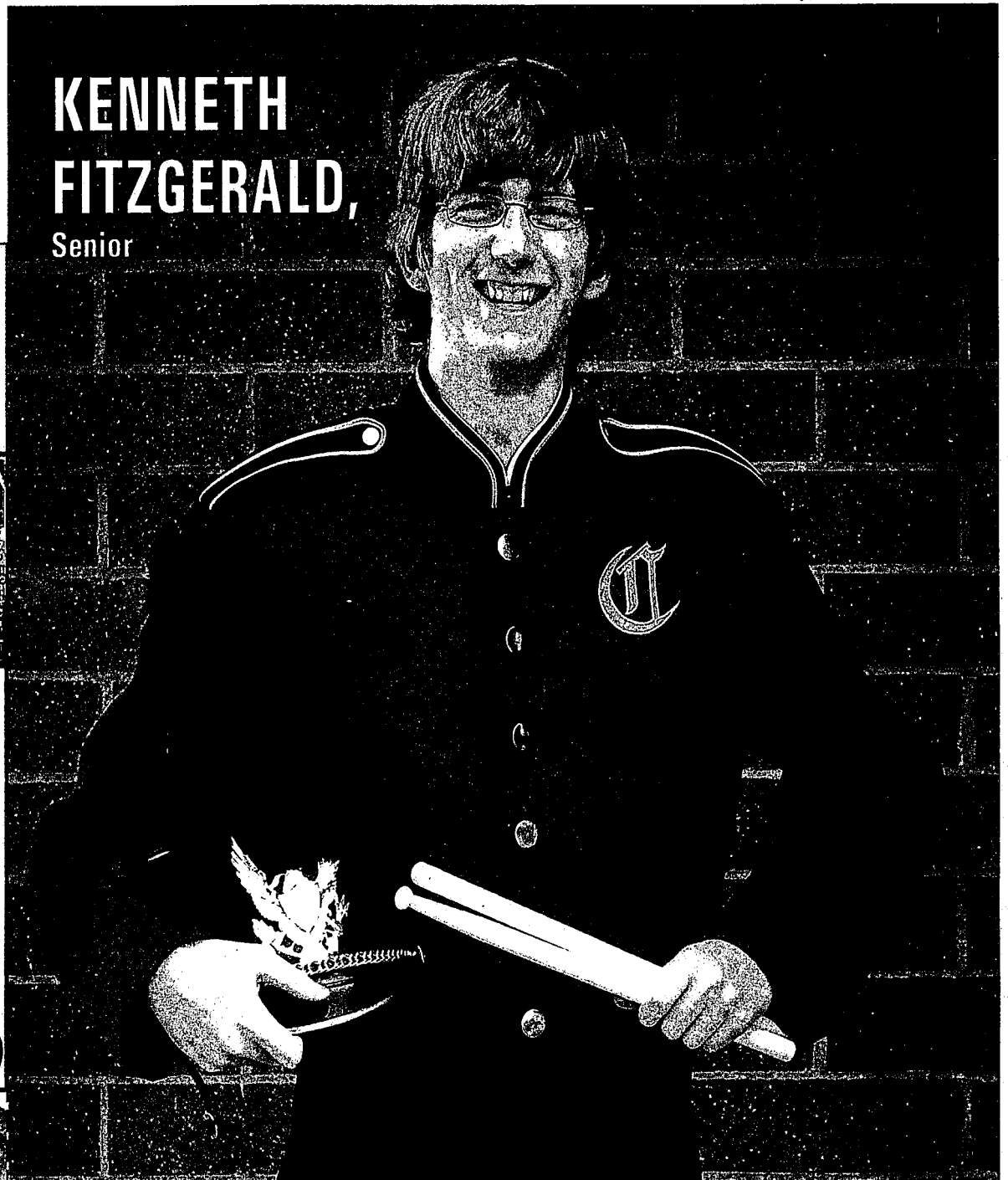
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KENNETH FITZGERALD,

Senior



Parents: Mike and Kristen Fitzgerald

4 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Quint Drums

Other Instruments you play: Piano

Band Achievements: I taught myself piano. I got into drumline playing snare drum in the 9th grade at 13 years old. I also helped rewrite a few measures in our marching band show last year.



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 Junior

Parents: Kay and Bruce Goldberg
 5 Years in Band and 2 years in Marching Band
 Instruments: Alto Saxophone
 Other Instruments you play: Baritone Saxophone
 Bands Achievements: 3-Division 2 ratings for Solo/Ensemble, 10th place finish in 2008 at State Marching Band competition, 9th place finish in 2009 at State Marching Band Competition, 2-Division 1 ratings for District Festival, 8th and 9th grade bands, 2-Division 2 ratings for District Festival, 7th and 10th grade bands.

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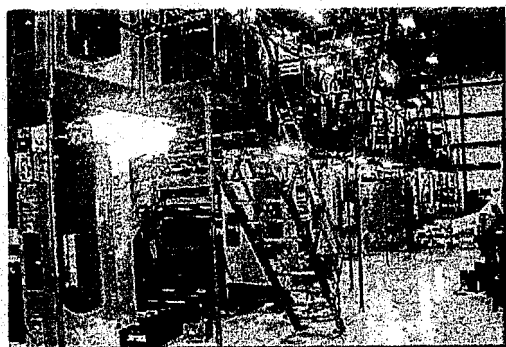


Parents: Dan and Shawn Chamberlain
4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
Marching Instrument: Flute

Band Achievements: I have participated in various groups in the last three years of solo and ensemble from duets to trios. This year I performed a solo as well as playing an alto flute in a quintet. I have participated in the Clarkston Project where the flute section performed a piece at the final concert. I also was nominated and played in the Honors Band for Middle School. This year I began playing my flute at our church during mass.

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Senior



Parents: Michael & Alice Allan
7 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band
Marching Instrument: Clarinet & Bass Clarinet
Band Achievements: Several #1 ratings at Solo/Ensemble & band festival. Clarinet Choir - #1 rating at State, Performed in Florida at Epcot and also played at church.

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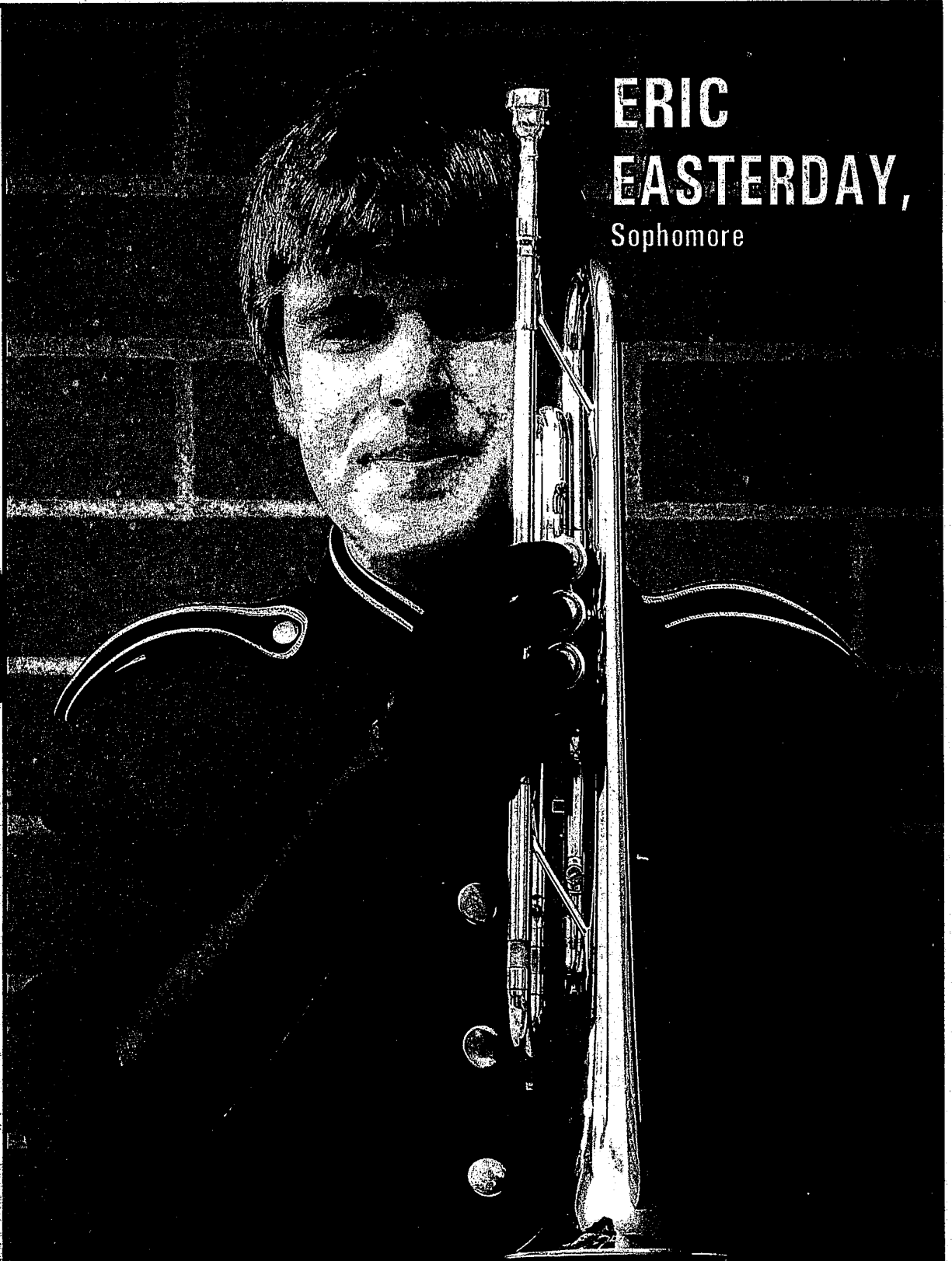
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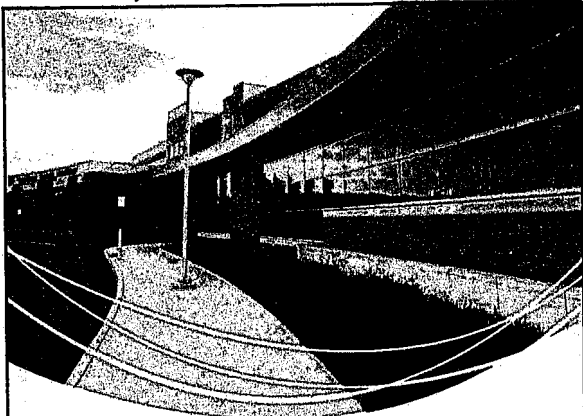
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**ERIC
EASTERDAY,**
Sophomore

Parents: Julie and Steve Easterday
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Instrument: Trumpet
Band Achievements: Received two - first place ratings in State
Solo and Ensemble this year. One for a solo and one for a duet.



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GREGO,**
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Parents: Mary Grego and George Grego

4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band

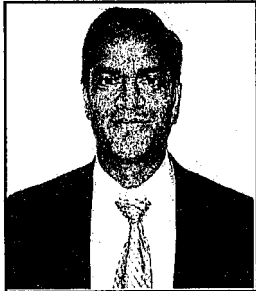
Instrument: Tenor Saxophone

Other Instruments you play: Bass Clarinet

Band/Achievements: I have participated in 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th grade Band Festival. Also, I played a duet this year and got a one at Solo and Ensemble and participated in States and also received a 1st division. I am currently a member of The Clarkston High School Clarinet Choir.

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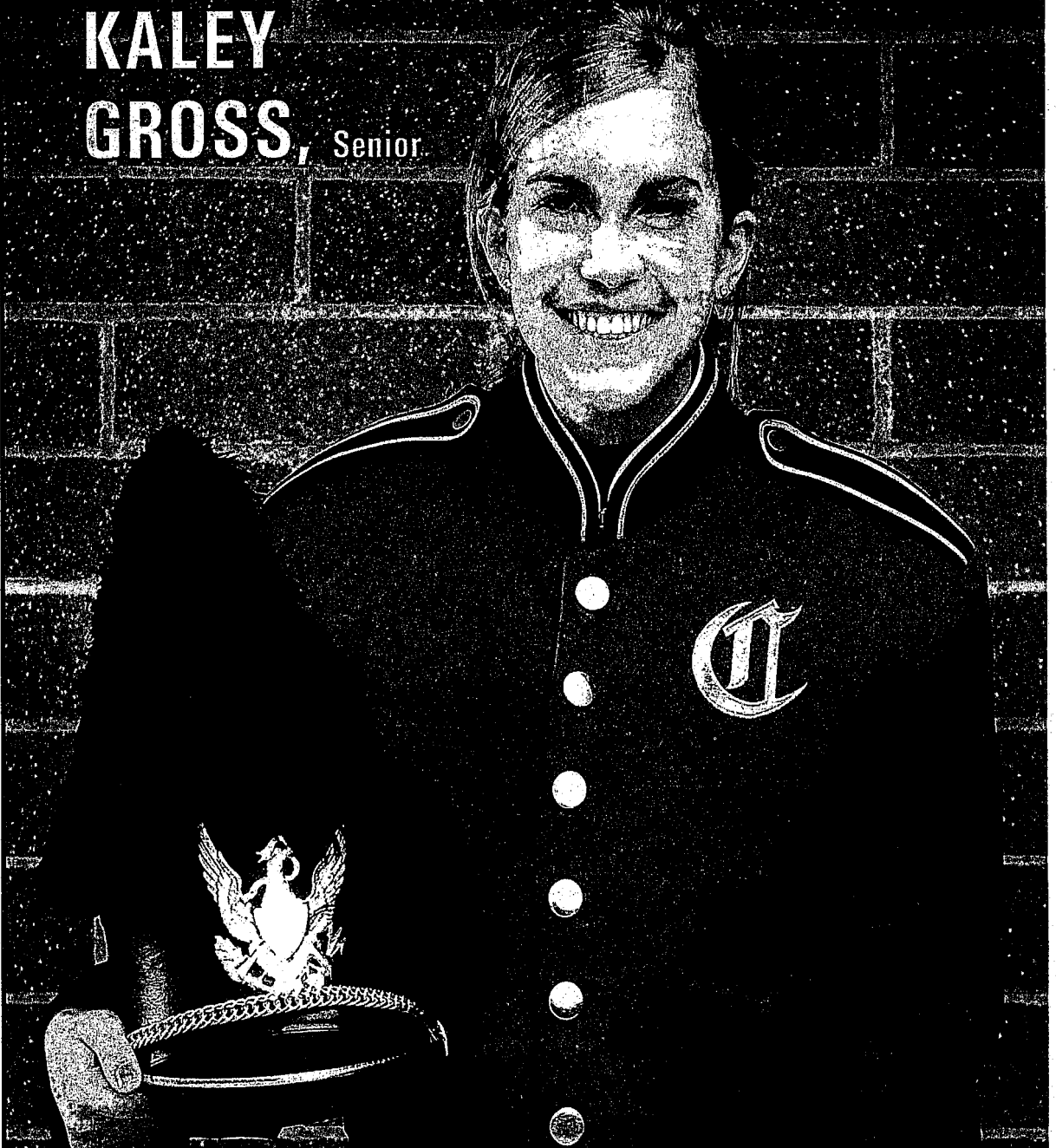
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KALEY GROSS, Senior



Parents: Bill and Carolyn Gross

7 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Pit/Percussion

Other Instruments you play: Oboe, Piano

Band Achievements: I've been in band since 6th grade.

This is my fourth year in marching band. I'm the section leader of the pit, where I play Marimba. I've played the piano for over 10 years. I've competed and received many awards. I also play the Oboe. I have participated in Solo and Ensemble multiple times as well and was awarded all 1's.

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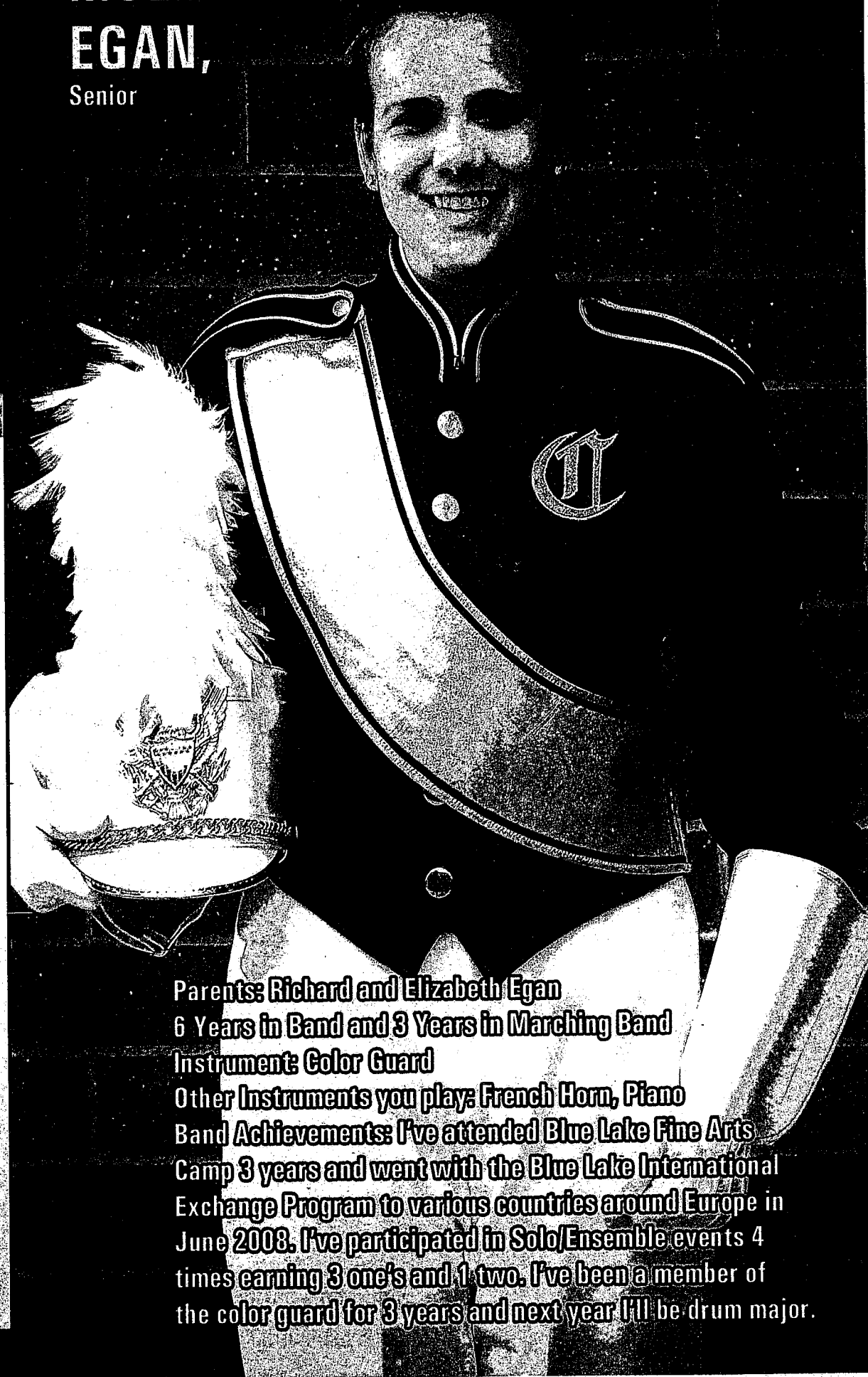
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**MOLLY
EGAN,**
Senior



Parents: Richard and Elizabeth Egan

6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Color Guard

Other Instruments you play: French Horn, Piano

**Band Achievements: I've attended Blue Lake Fine Arts
Camp 3 years and went with the Blue Lake International**

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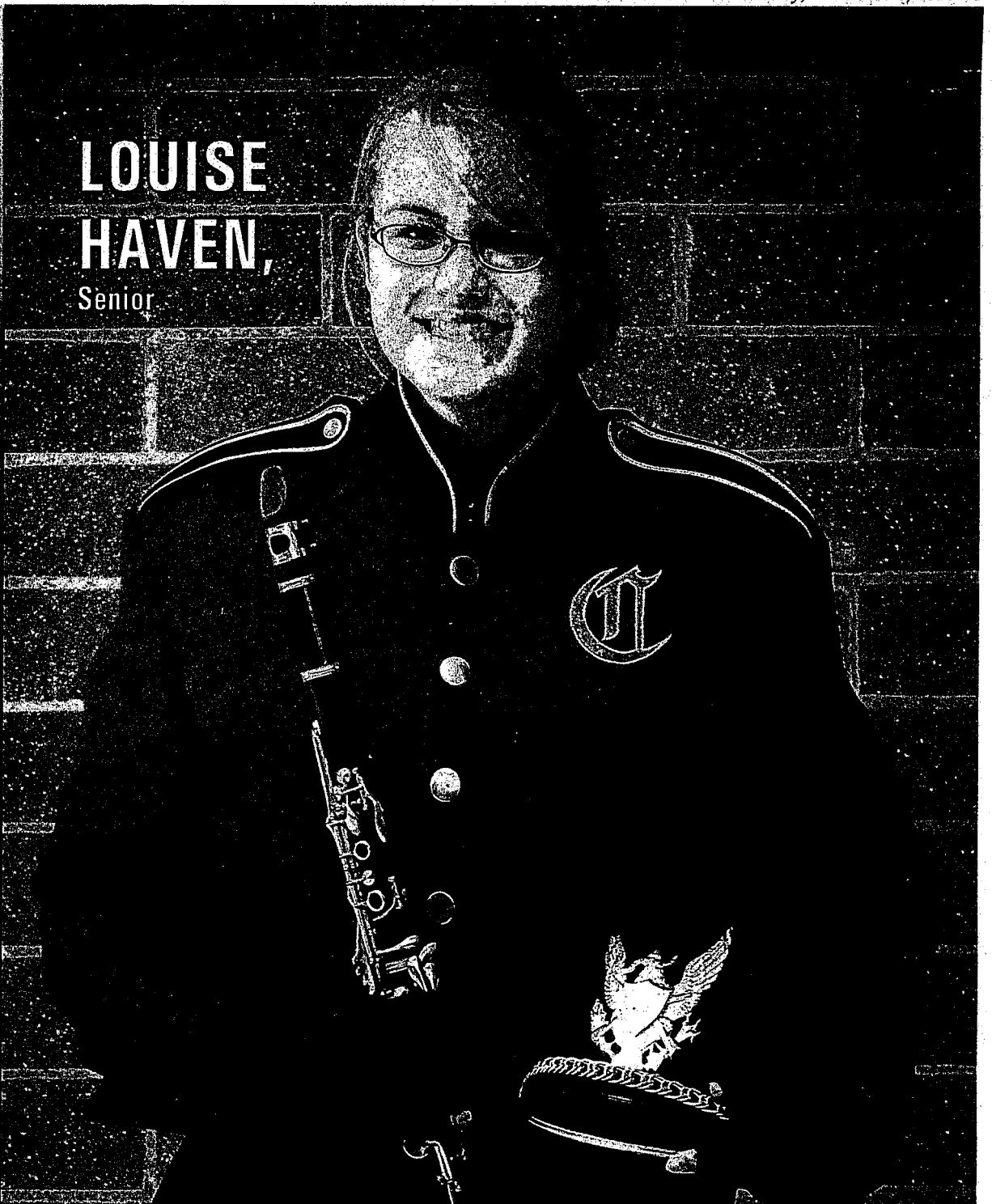
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LOUISE HAVEN, Senior



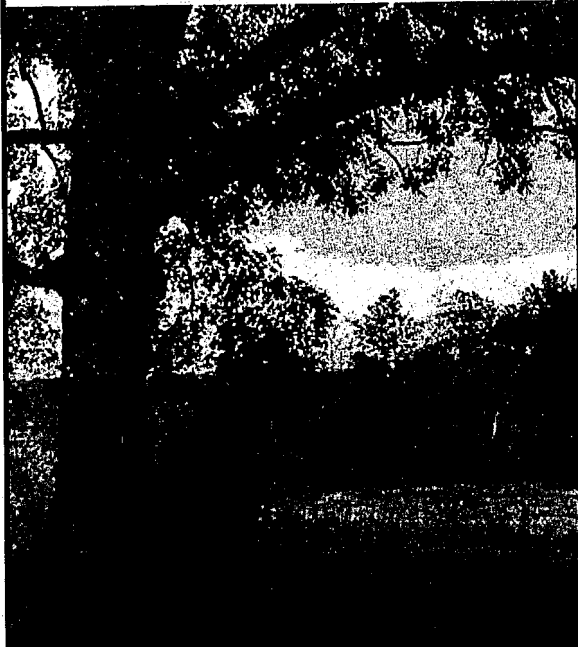
Parents: Willem and Debi Haven
6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Clarinet

Other Instruments you play: Alto Clarinet
Band Achievements: I have been involved in band for the past 6 years and have never stopped loving it. Aside from being in marching band, I have participated in district honors band for the past 5 years and have attended Solo and Ensemble for the past 5 years. I will be attending Michigan Youth Arts with the Clarinet Choir. I am very excited for my last season of marching band and to march in London over Christmas break.



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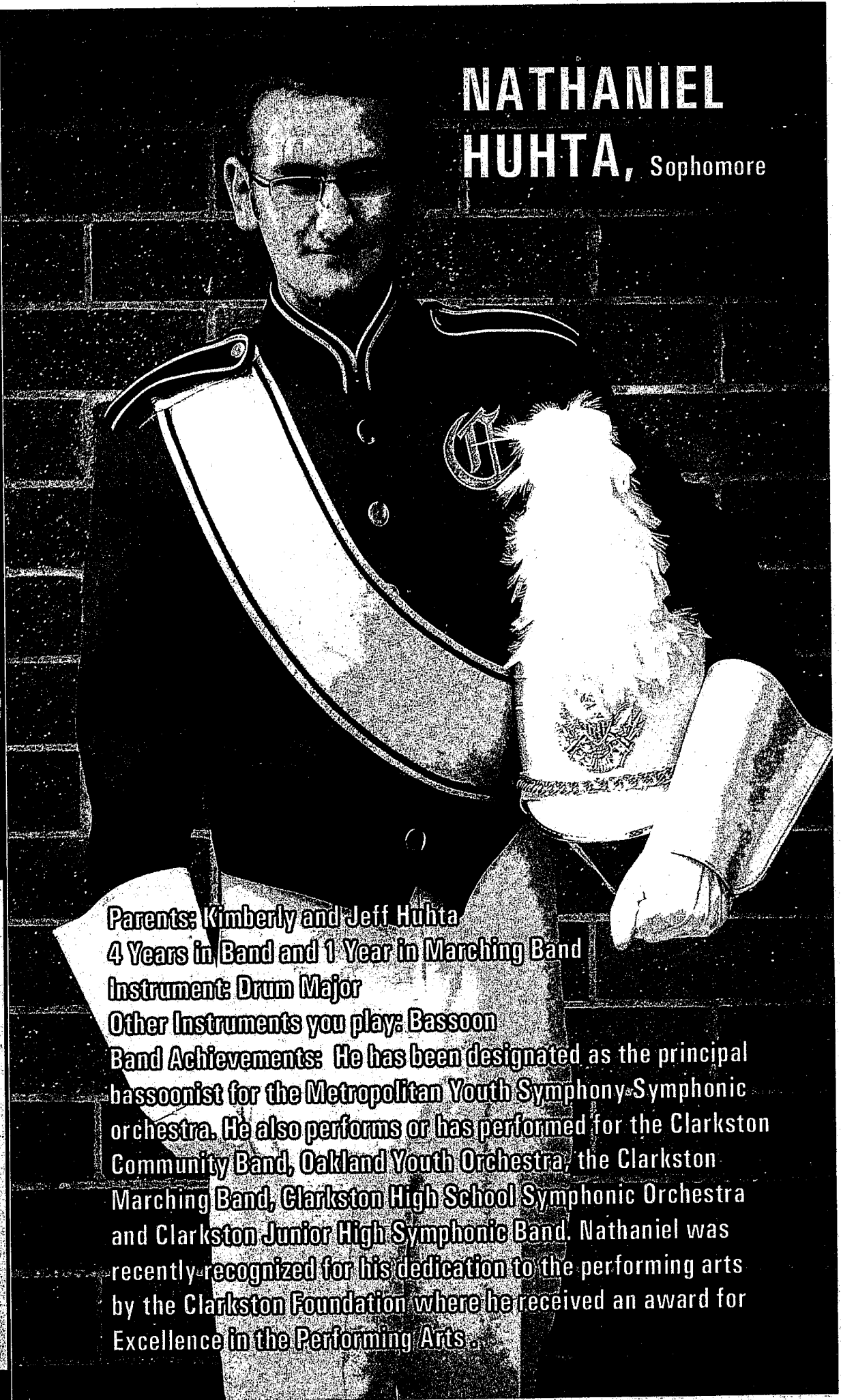
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NATHANIEL HUHTA, Sophomore



Parents: Kimberly and Jeff Huhta

4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band

Instrument: Drum Major

Other Instruments you play: Bassoon

Band Achievements: He has been designated as the principal bassoonist for the Metropolitan Youth Symphony Symphonic orchestra. He also performs or has performed for the Clarkston Community Band, Oakland Youth Orchestra, the Clarkston Marching Band, Clarkston High School Symphonic Orchestra and Clarkston Junior High Symphonic Band. Nathaniel was recently recognized for his dedication to the performing arts by the Clarkston Foundation where he received an award for Excellence in the Performing Arts.

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EMILY HYDE, Freshman



Parents: Steve and Mary Hyde
3 Years in Band and 0 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Mellophone

Other Instruments you play: Clarinet

Band Achievements: Emily has been playing the clarinet for 3 years. In addition to playing in Clarkston school bands, she has also been taking private clarinet lessons with Shelley Schwaderer Roland. Each year Emily has participated in Solo & Ensemble receiving division I ratings for 3 solo performances and 3 duets. She has also been a participant in the Clarkston Project Summer Band Camp. Emily will be a freshman in the marching band for the 2010 season and is excited for the opportunity to learn a new instrument - mellophone!

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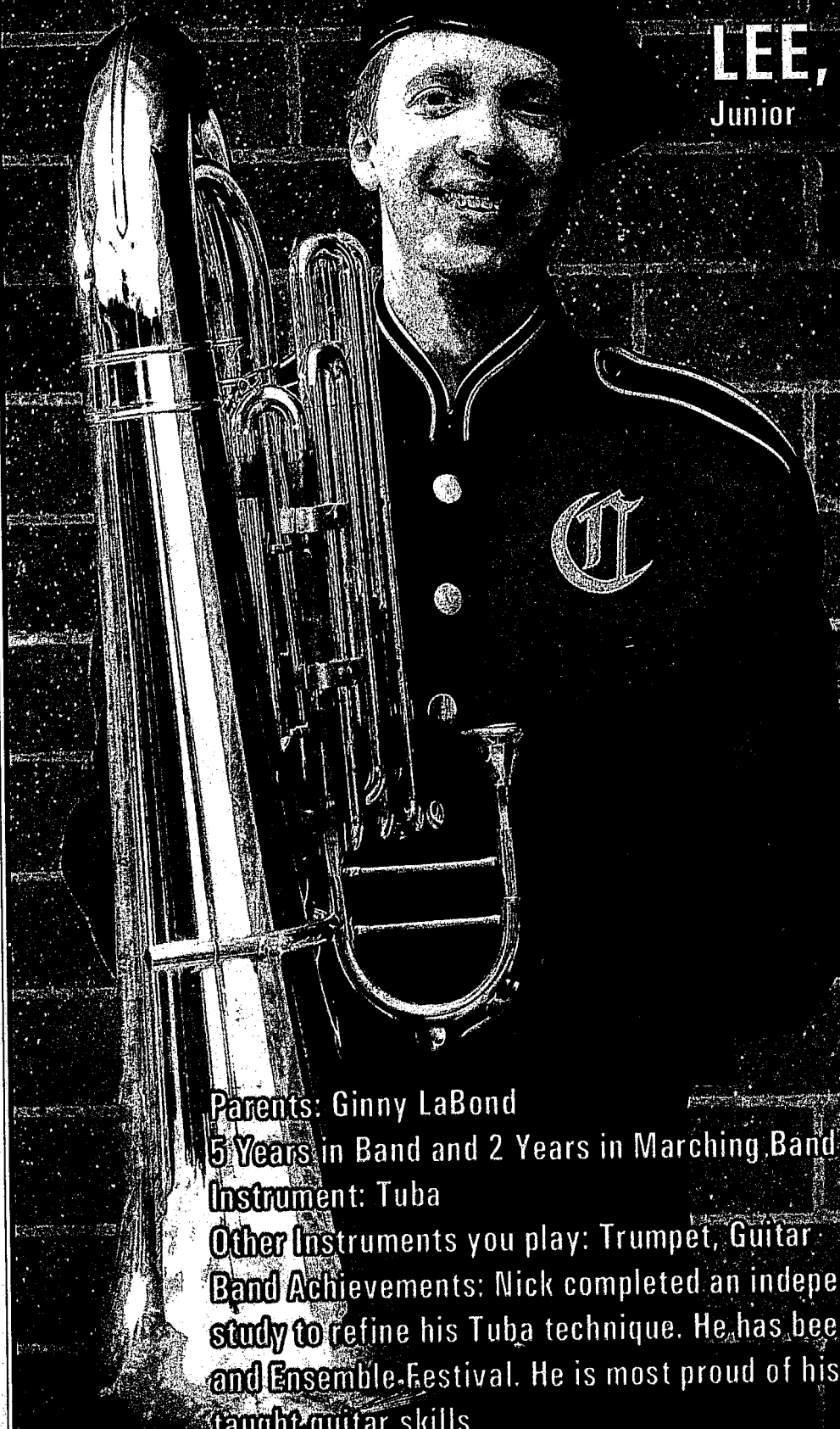
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**NICK
LEE,
Junior**



Parents: Ginny LaBond

5 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Tuba

Other Instruments you play: Trumpet, Guitar

Band Achievements: Nick completed an independent study to refine his Tuba technique. He has been to Solo and Ensemble Festival. He is most proud of his self taught guitar skills.

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**STEPHANIE
MARANI,**
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Parents: Blake and Ellen

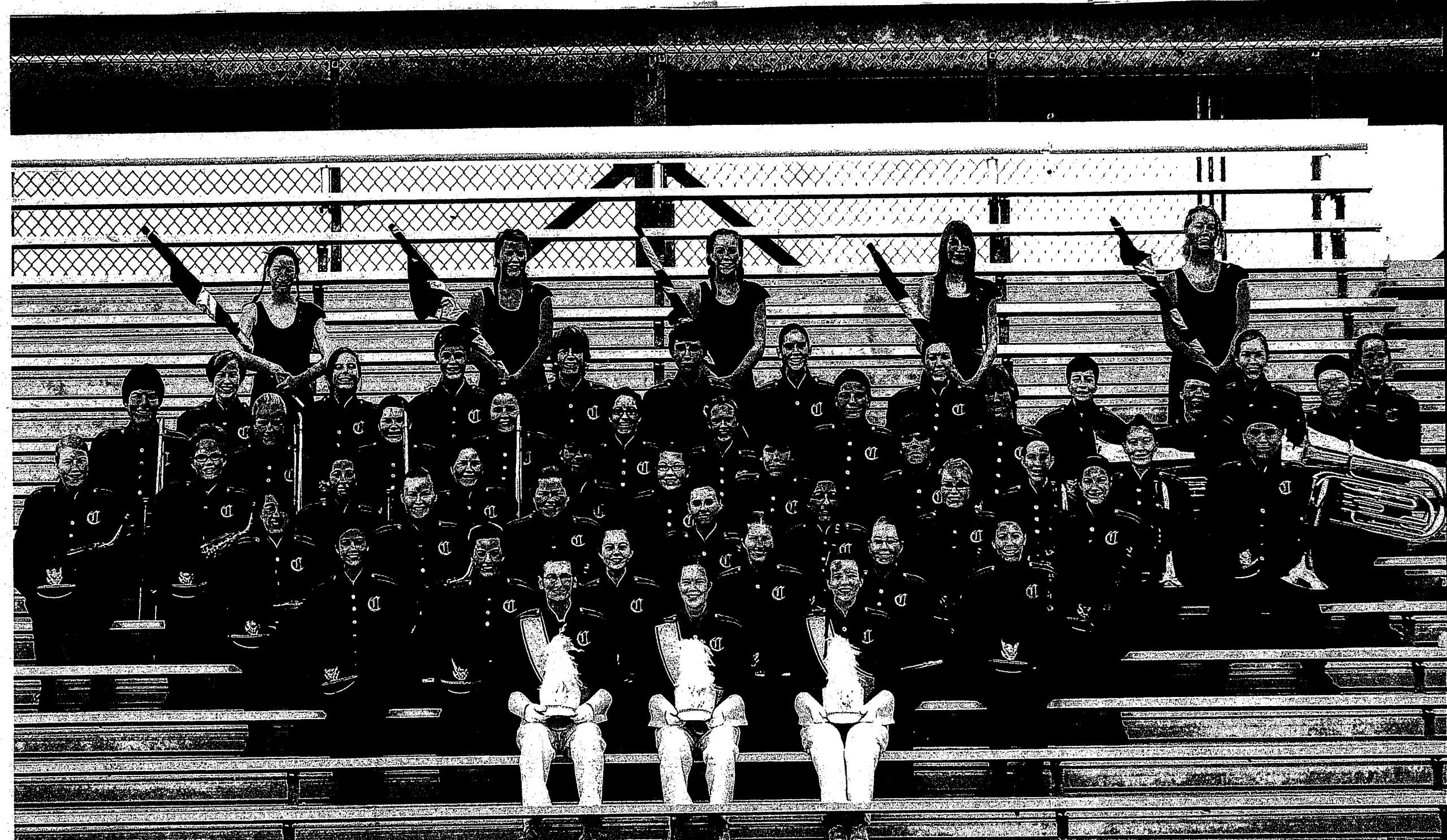
6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Pit

Other Instruments you play: Oboe

Band Achievements: Stephanie has played the oboe in Clarkston School's band program since 6th grade. She received academic awards for "Excellence in Band" in 7th and 9th grade, and played in the District Honors Band in 7th grade. This year she earned a rating of "1" at both the District and State Solo and Ensemble Festivals. She has studied at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and has played with the Metropolitan Youth Symphony. This will be her 3rd season of marching band.

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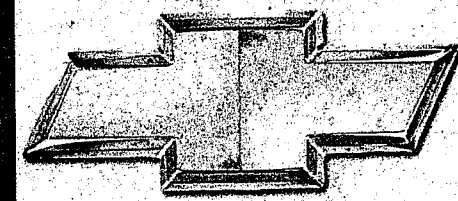
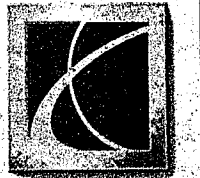
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ALEX MARKARIAN,
Sophomore



Parents: Laura and Andy Markarian
4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
Instrument: Trombone
Band Achievements: I began my music career in 6th grade at SMS playing the trombone. In 7th grade I received a 1st division at Solo & Ensemble competition. I also attended District 4 Honors Band. In 8th grade I received another 1st division for my solo at Solo & Ensemble competition and was again invited to attend District 4 Honors Band. In 9th grade I joined CHS marching band after attending marching band camp. I was also recognized for my playing ability and selected to perform in the High School Honors Band. I am looking forward to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp this summer.

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ANGEL MILLER,

Junior



Parents: Erica Black

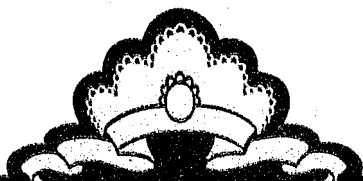
4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band

Instrument: Color Guard

Other Instruments you play: Clarinet

Band Achievements: I've played first clarinet for the majority of band including the final concert with all bands. I participated in Honors Band.

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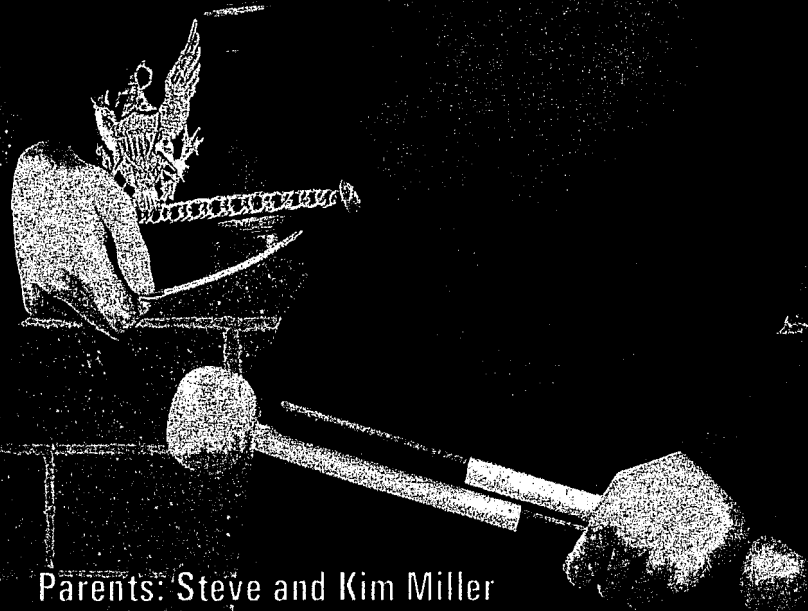
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RILEY MILLER, Senior



Parents: Steve and Kim Miller
6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Bass Drum

Other Instruments you play: Percussion

Band Achievements: I have been in the Clarkston Marching Band for 3 years which qualified for state competition all 3 years. I am currently in the high school wind ensemble. I have participated in Solo and Ensemble twice receiving 1 ratings. I enjoy marching band and hope to continue marching in college.

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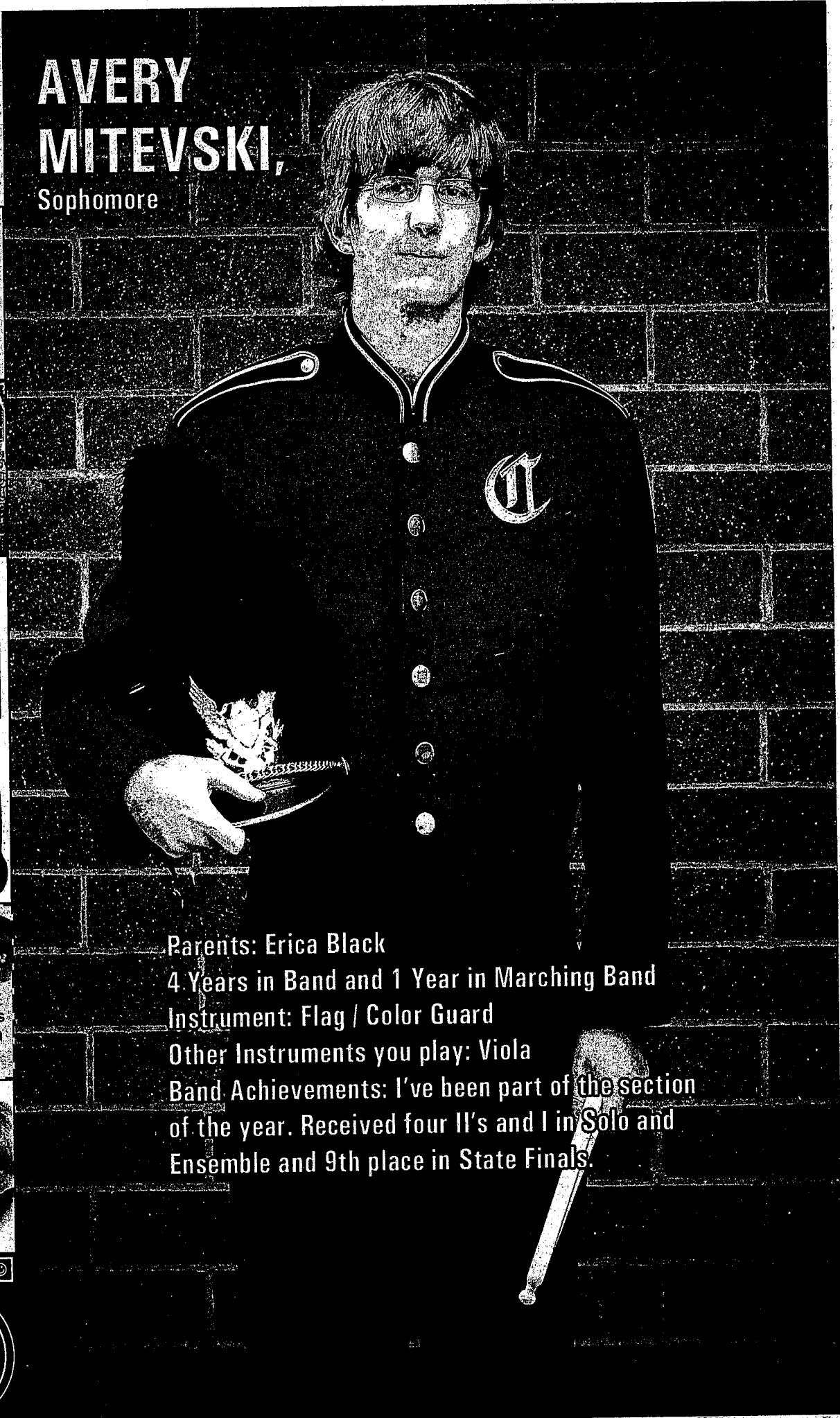
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AVERY MITEVSKI, Sophomore



Parents: Erica Black
 4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
 Instrument: Flag / Color Guard
 Other Instruments you play: Viola
 Band Achievements: I've been part of the section
 of the year. Received four II's and I in Solo and
 Ensemble and 9th place in State Finals.



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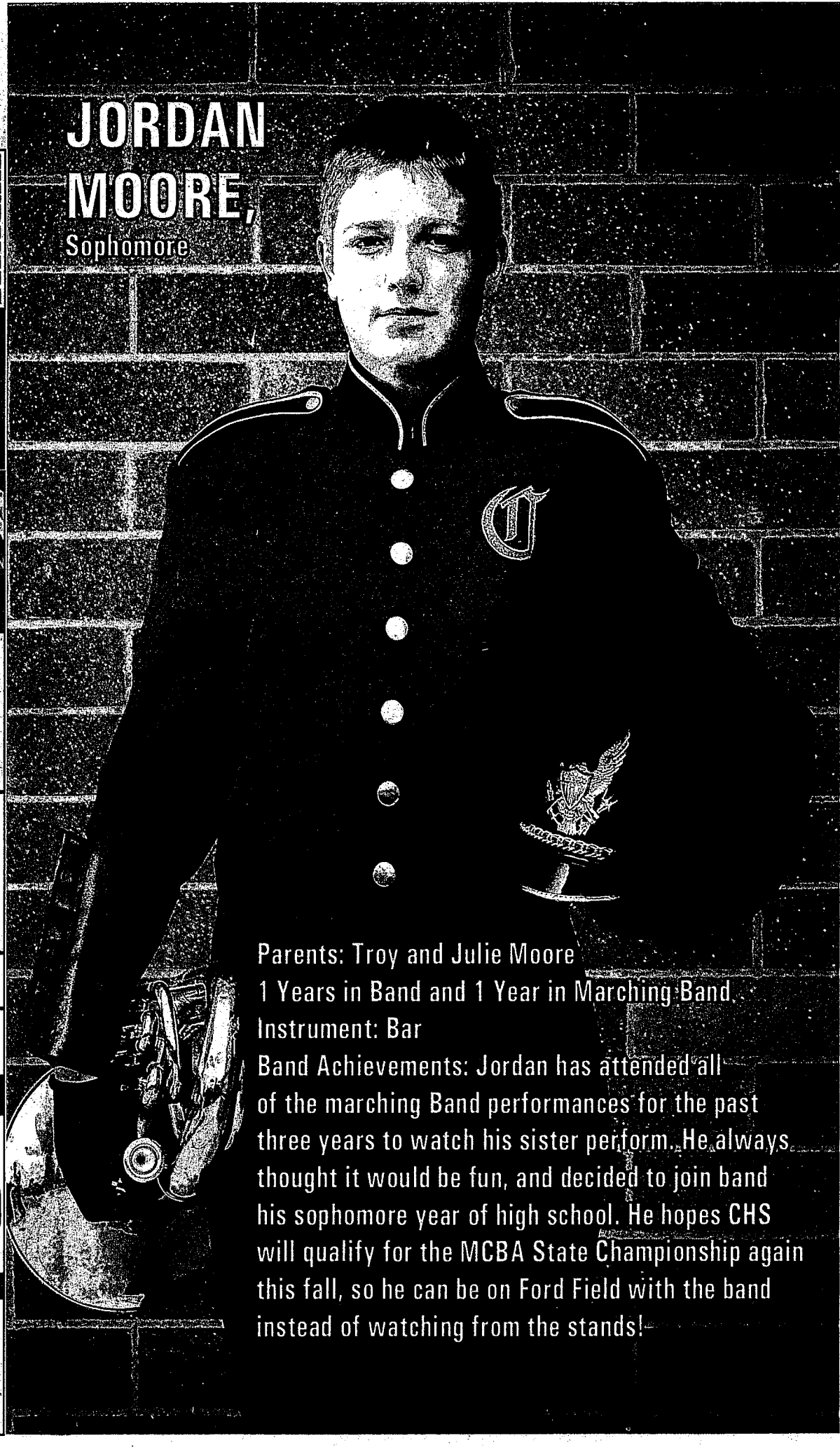


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JORDAN MOORE,
Sophomore

Parents: Troy and Julie Moore
 1 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
 Instrument: Bar
 Band Achievements: Jordan has attended all of the marching Band performances for the past three years to watch his sister perform. He always thought it would be fun, and decided to join band his sophomore year of high school. He hopes CHS will qualify for the MCBA State Championship again this fall, so he can be on Ford Field with the band instead of watching from the stands!

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STEPHANIE MOORE,

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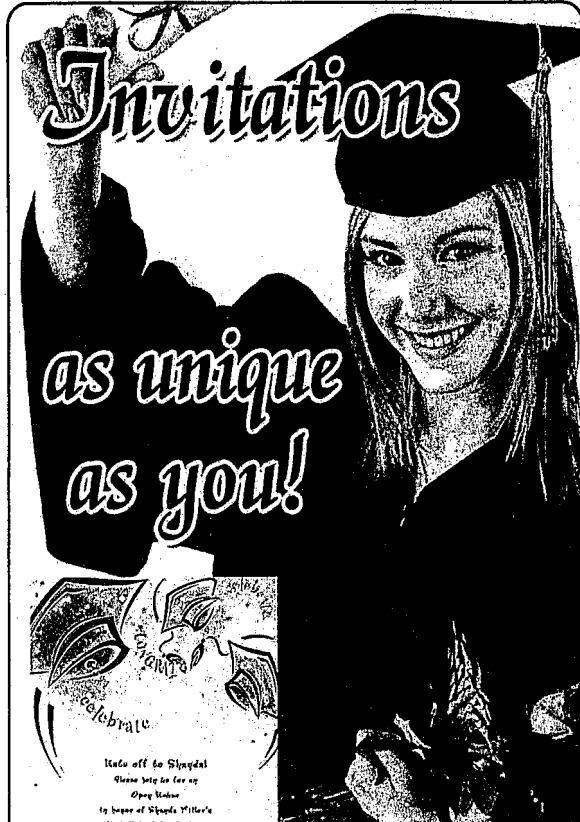
Parents: Troy and Julie Moore

7 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Piccolo

Other Instruments you play: Flute

Band Achievements: Stephanie has participated in band since 6th grade and absolutely loves everything about it! She has participated in the maximum number of events each year at District and State Solo/Ensemble receiving Division I and II ratings. She was awarded scholarships and attended Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp two years. Her Junior year, she played in the Symphonic Wind Ensemble at CHS, which was chosen to perform at the 2010 Michigan Music Conference. She was chosen to play District 4 Honors Band for flute and piccolo. She began her fourth and final season of Marching band this fall, which has been the highlight of her high school experience. CHS has qualified for the MCBA State Championship every year she has participated, and she hopes to make one more trip to Ford Field this fall. Go Clarkston!



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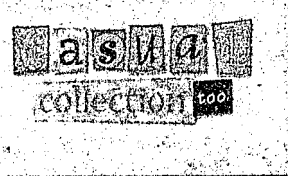
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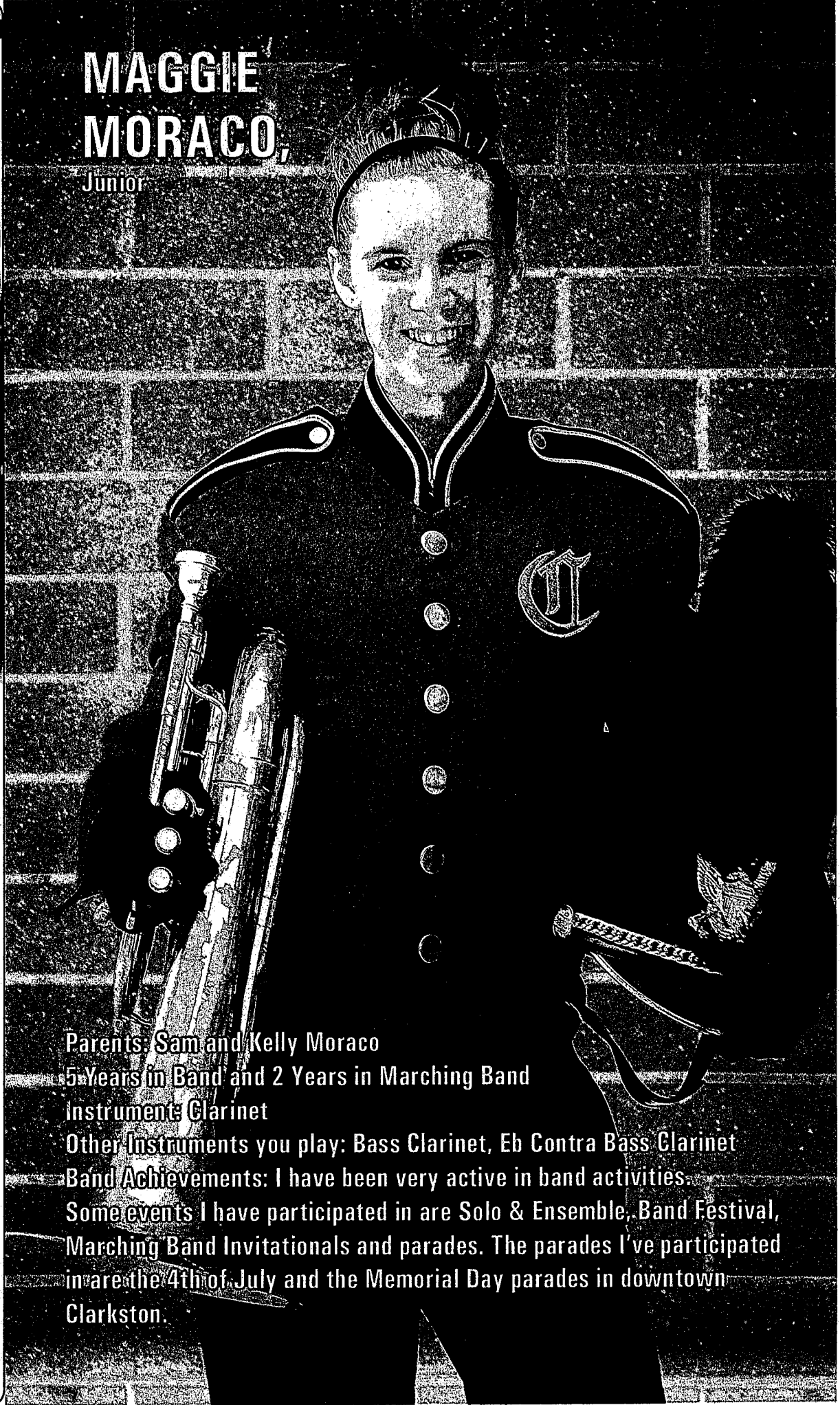


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MAGGIE MORACO, Junior



Parents: Sam and Kelly Moraco

5 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Clarinet

Other Instruments you play: Bass Clarinet, Eb Contra Bass Clarinet

Band Achievements: I have been very active in band activities.

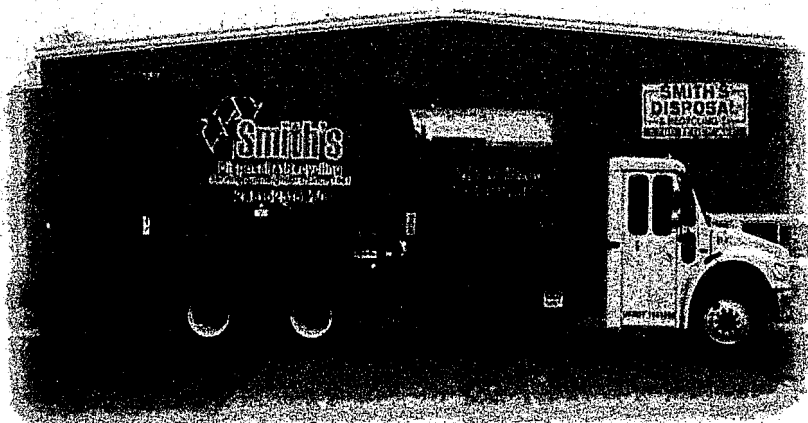
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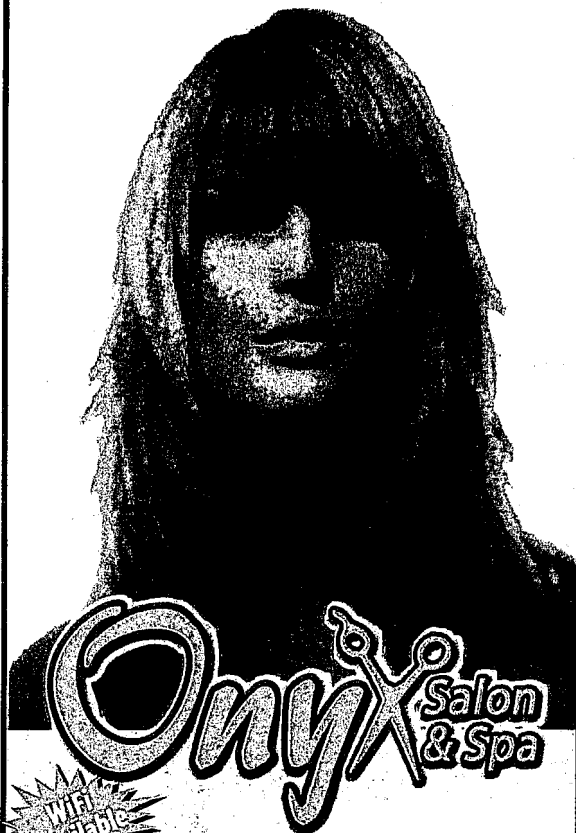
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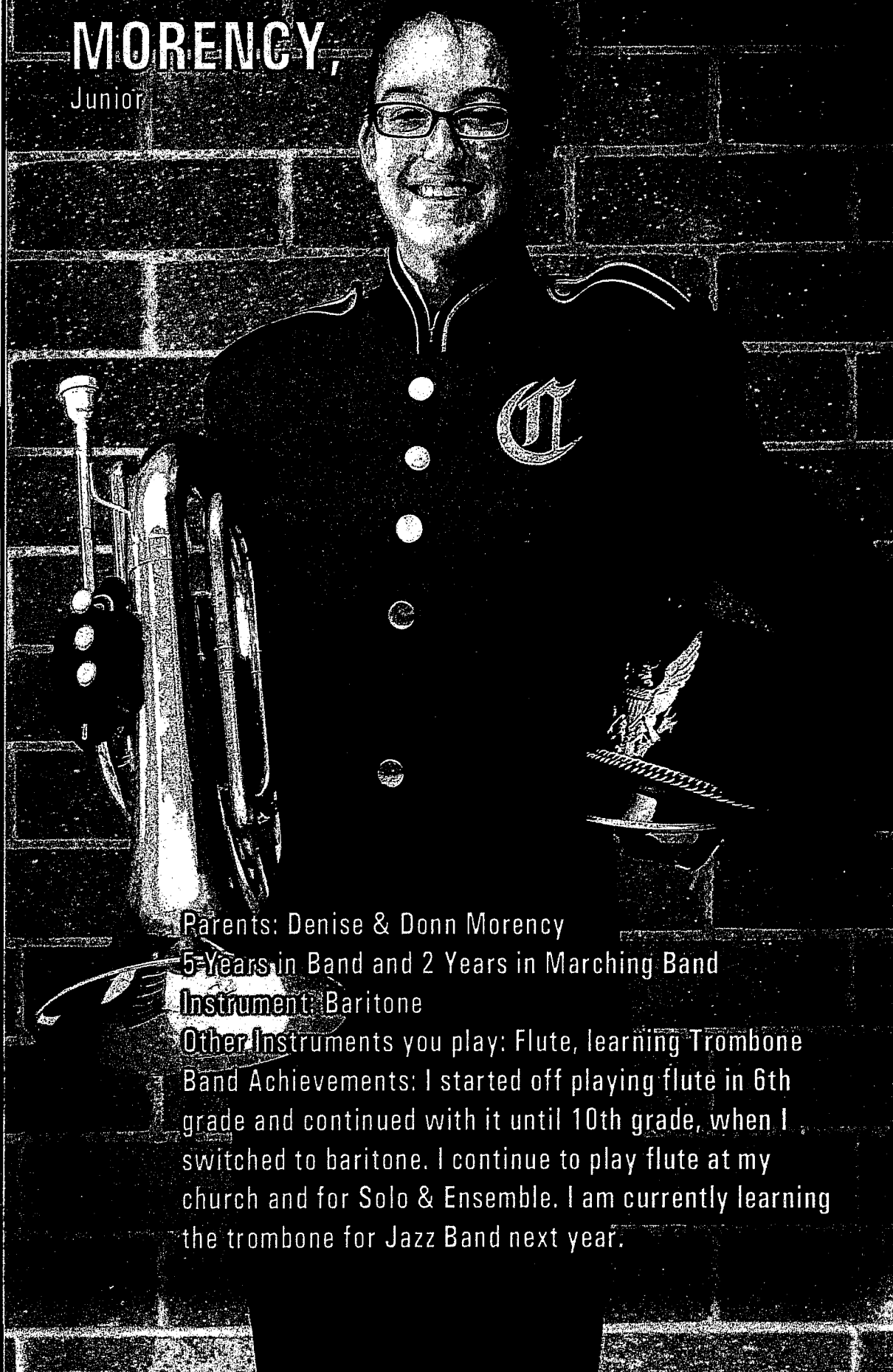
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**RENEE
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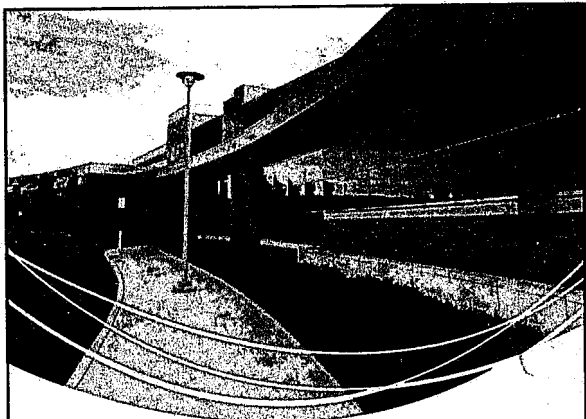
Parents: Denise & Donn Morency

5-Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Baritone

Other Instruments you play: Flute, learning Trombone

Band Achievements: I started off playing flute in 6th grade and continued with it until 10th grade, when I switched to baritone. I continue to play flute at my church and for Solo & Ensemble. I am currently learning the trombone for Jazz Band next year.



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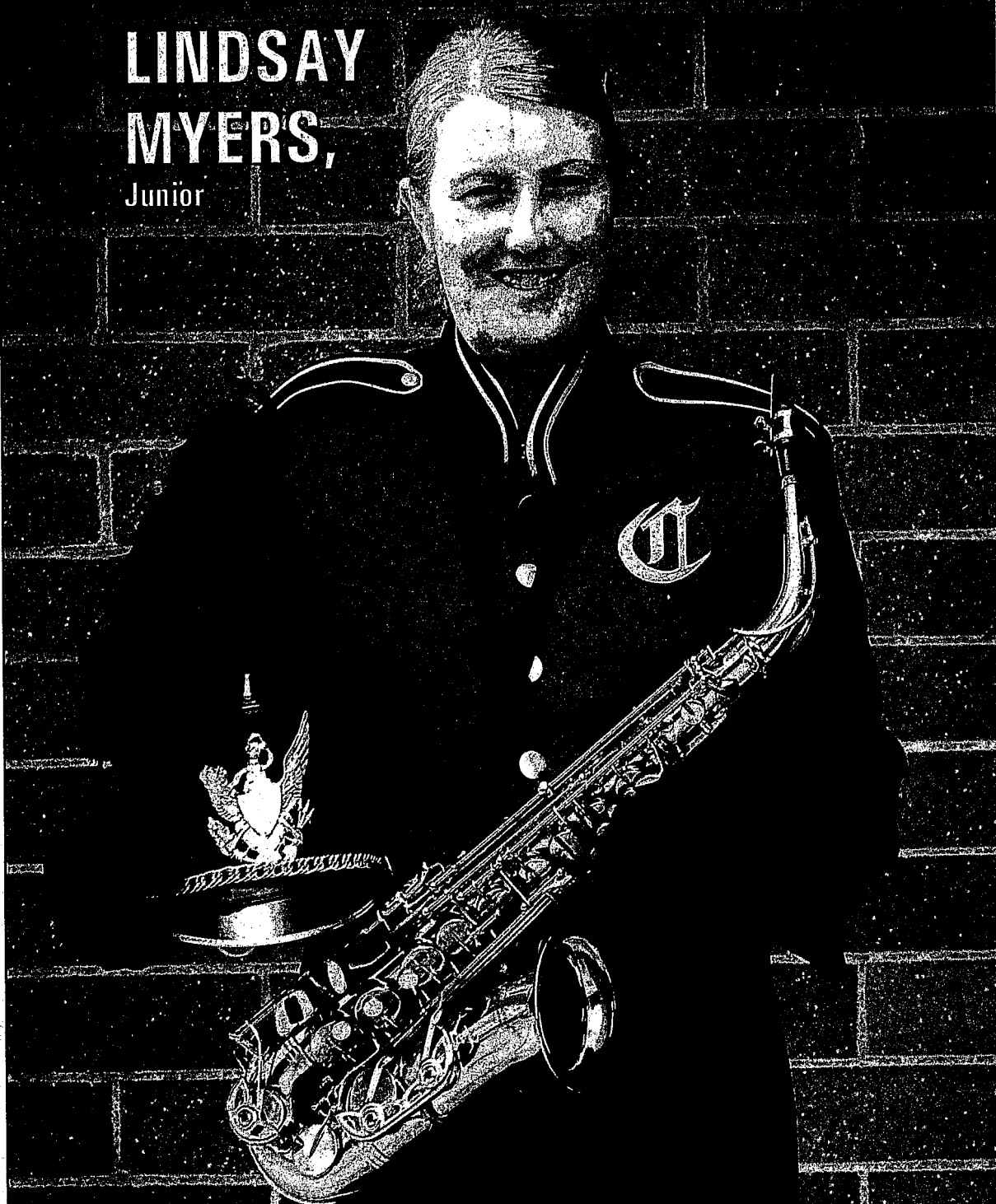
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Junior



Parents: Denise and Warren Myers

6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Alto Saxophone

Other Instruments you play: Baritone, Saxophone, Clarinet and Guitar

Band Achievements: I have attended Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp for 4 years, majoring in Alto Saxophone and minoring in Guitar. I was asked to join the Jazz Band in my sophomore year and look forward to being in it for 2 more years!

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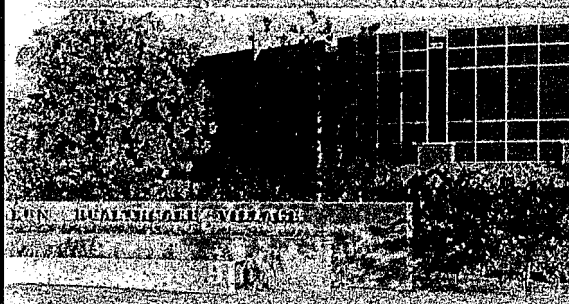
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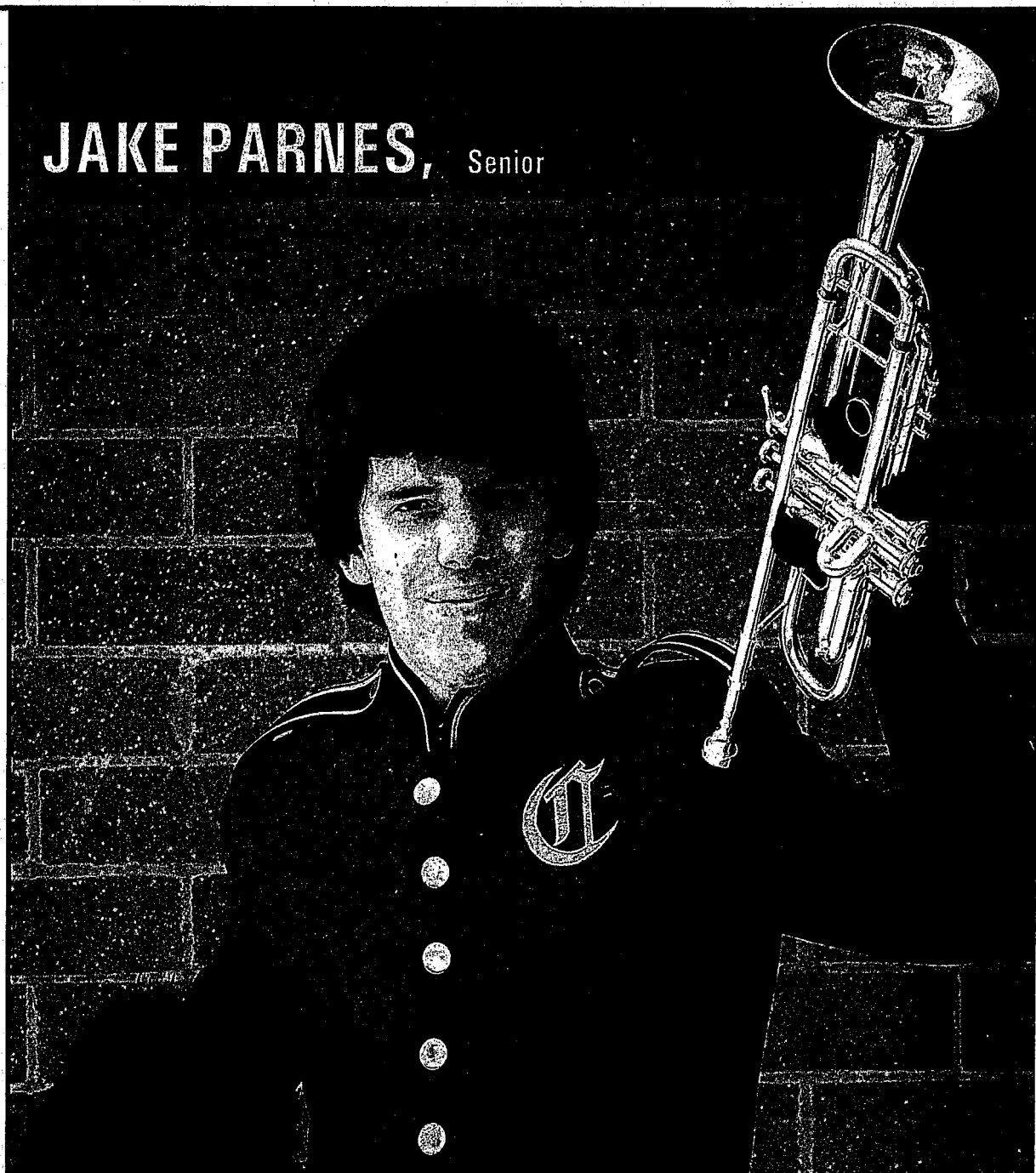
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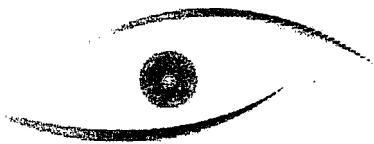
Instrument: Trumpet

Band Achievements: Jake began playing the trumpet in sixth grade, as part of the Clarkston Community Schools Instrumental Music Program. For the next five summers Jake attended the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp in the band program. He has participated in Solo and Ensemble both as a soloist and as part of a duet. This year he was a member of the Clarkston High School Symphonic Wind Ensemble, which had the honor to be invited to play at the 2010 Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids. Jake joined the Clarkston High School marching band in ninth grade. Each of those years, the marching band earned the opportunity to play in the Michigan Competing Band Association State Finals at Ford Field.

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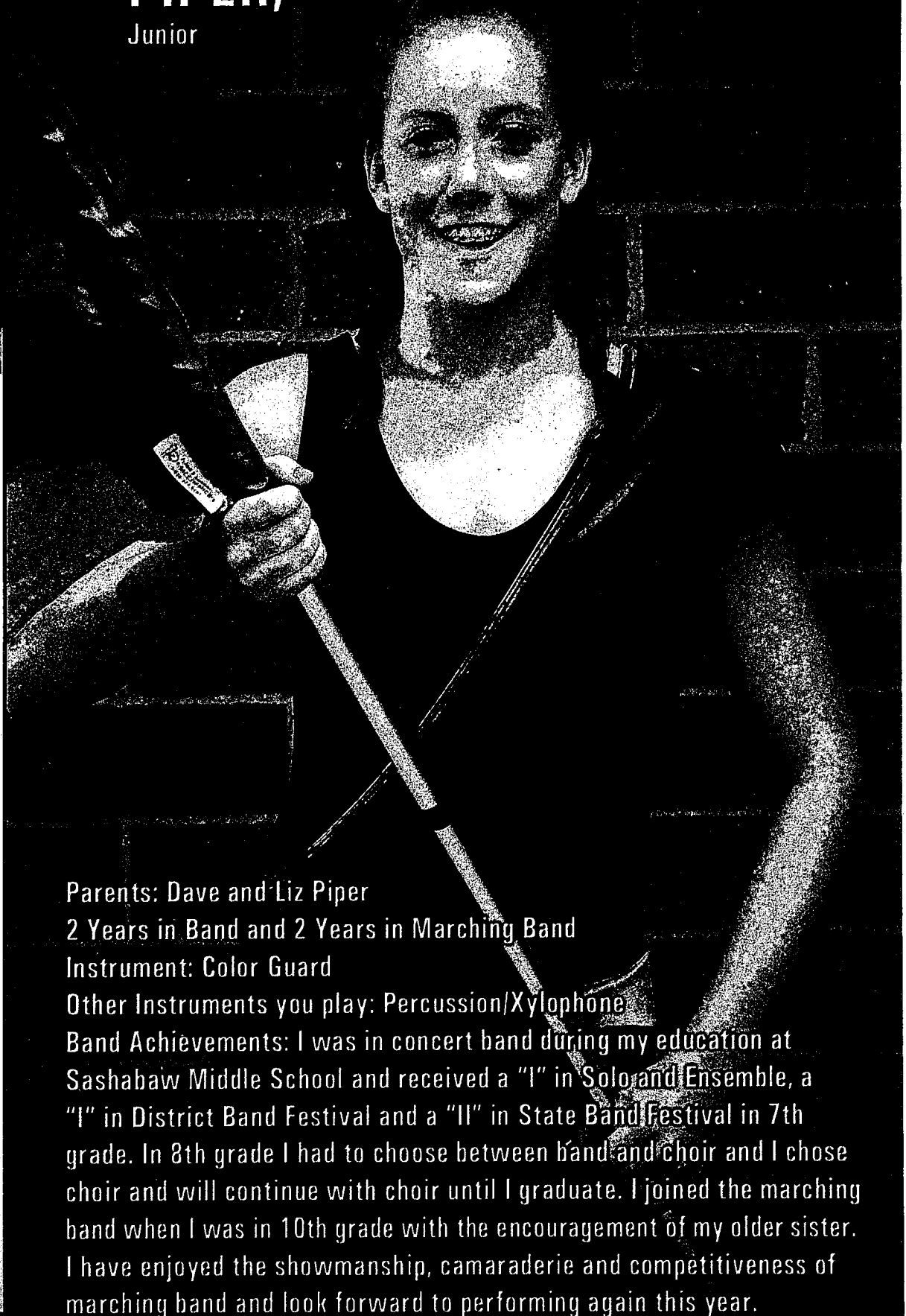
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Parents: Dave and Liz Piper

2 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Color Guard

Other Instruments you play: Percussion/Xylophone

Band Achievements: I was in concert band during my education at Sashabaw Middle School and received a "I" in Solo and Ensemble, a "I" in District Band Festival and a "II" in State Band Festival in 7th grade. In 8th grade I had to choose between band and choir and I chose choir and will continue with choir until I graduate. I joined the marching band when I was in 10th grade with the encouragement of my older sister. I have enjoyed the showmanship, camaraderie and competitiveness of marching band and look forward to performing again this year.

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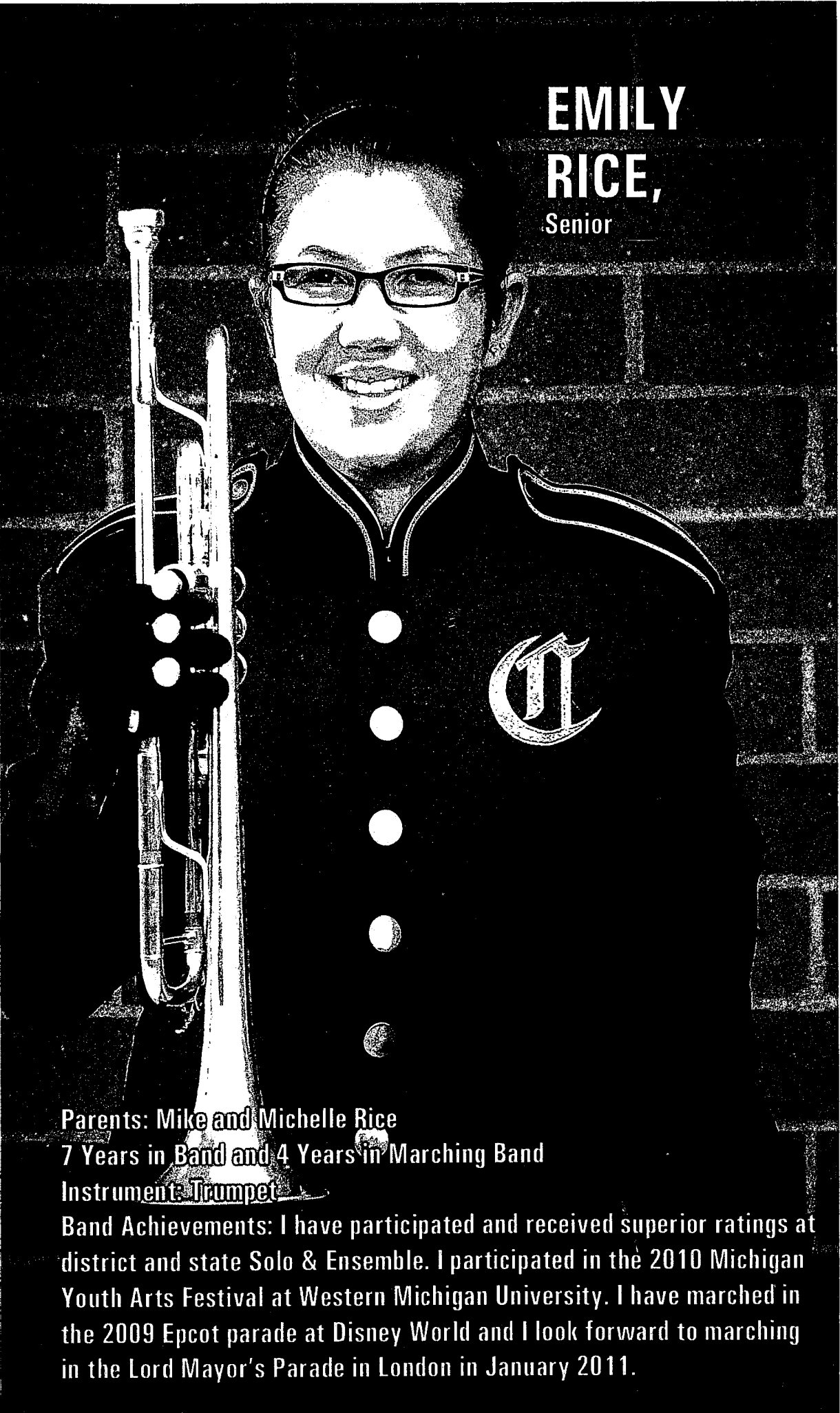
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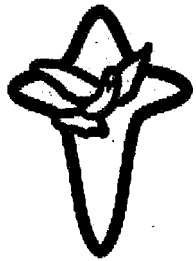
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EMILY RICE,
Senior

Parents: Mike and Michelle Rice
7 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Trumpet

Band Achievements: I have participated and received superior ratings at district and state Solo & Ensemble. I participated in the 2010 Michigan Youth Arts Festival at Western Michigan University. I have marched in the 2009 Epcot parade at Disney World and I look forward to marching in the Lord Mayor's Parade in London in January 2011.



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Parents: Scott and Lisa Russell
4 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Alto Saxophone
Band Achievements: Most Improved Marcher -
10th grade (2008-2009), 9th grade Solo &
Ensemble - 2 (2008). I couldn't fit band class
into my schedule, but I still do marching band
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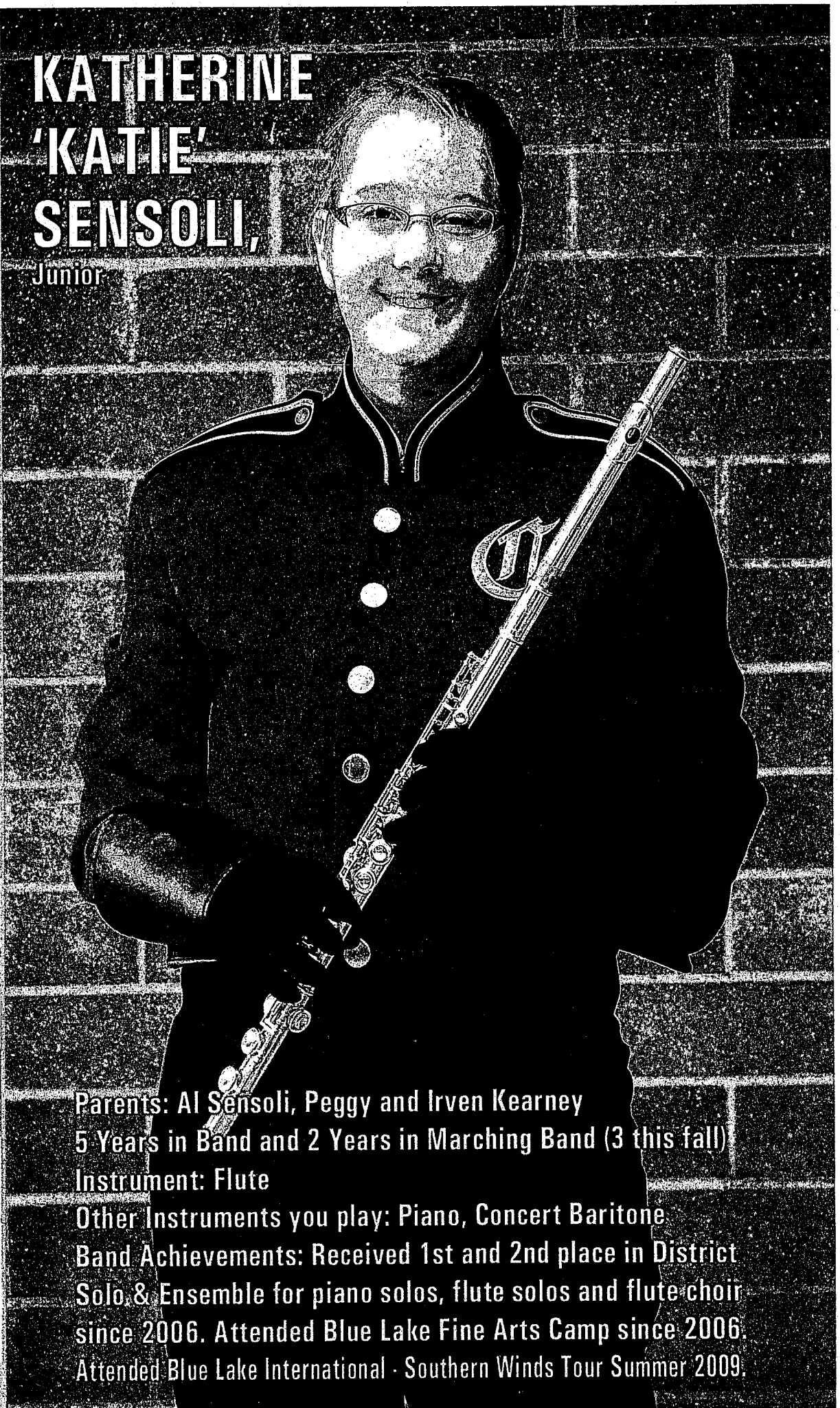
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KATHERINE 'KATIE' SENSOLI, Junior



Parents: Al Sensoli, Peggy and Irven Kearney
5 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band (3 this fall)
Instrument: Flute

Other Instruments you play: Piano, Concert Baritone
Band Achievements: Received 1st and 2nd place in District
Solo & Ensemble for piano solos, flute solos and flute choir
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**ZACH
SNYDER,**
Senior



Parents: Steve and Heidi Snyder
6 Years in Band and 4 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Snare - Drumline
Other Instruments you play: Piano, Drum Set,
General Concert Percussion
Band Achievements:
All ones at Solo & Ensemble and band festival.
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Orchestra the second time.

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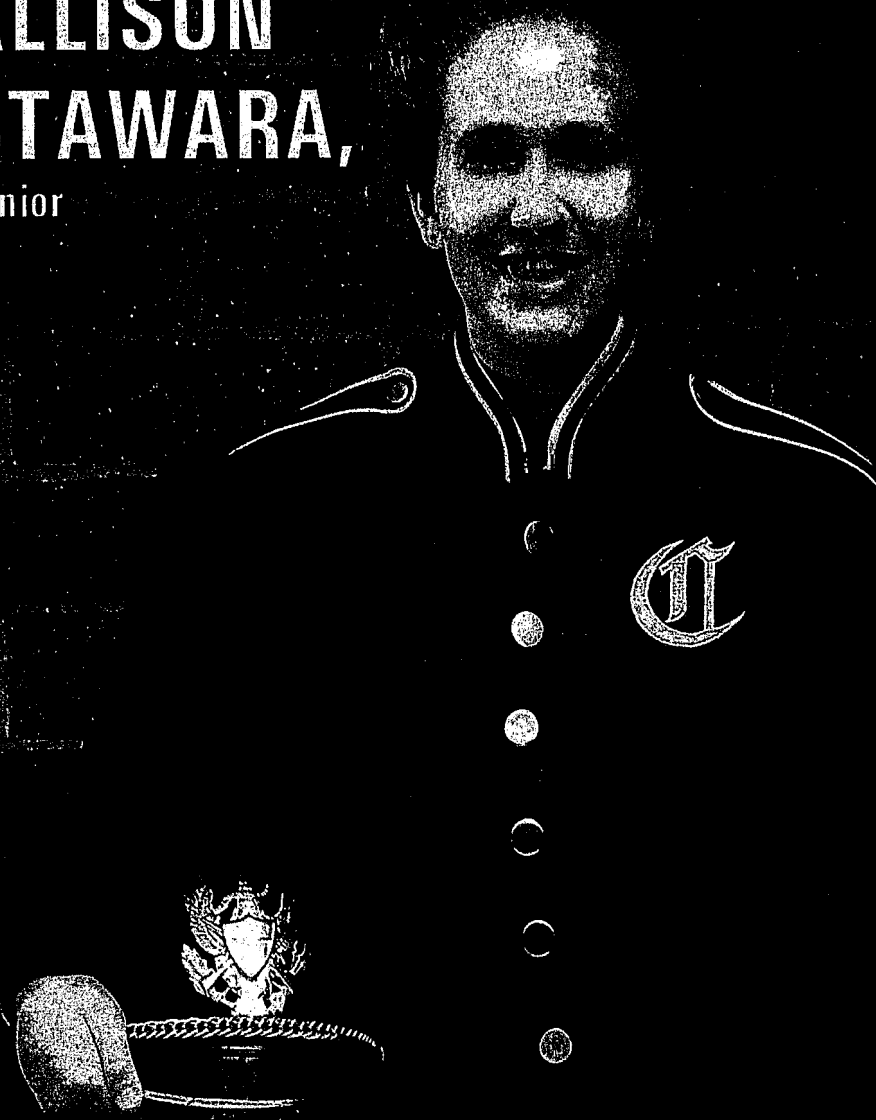
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ALLISON STAWARA,

Junior



Parents: Kathy and Jerry Stawara

4 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Timpany

Other Instruments you play: Bassoon, Jazz Bass,
Acoustic Guitar

Band Achievements: Middle school honors, Wind
ensemble and Jazz band.

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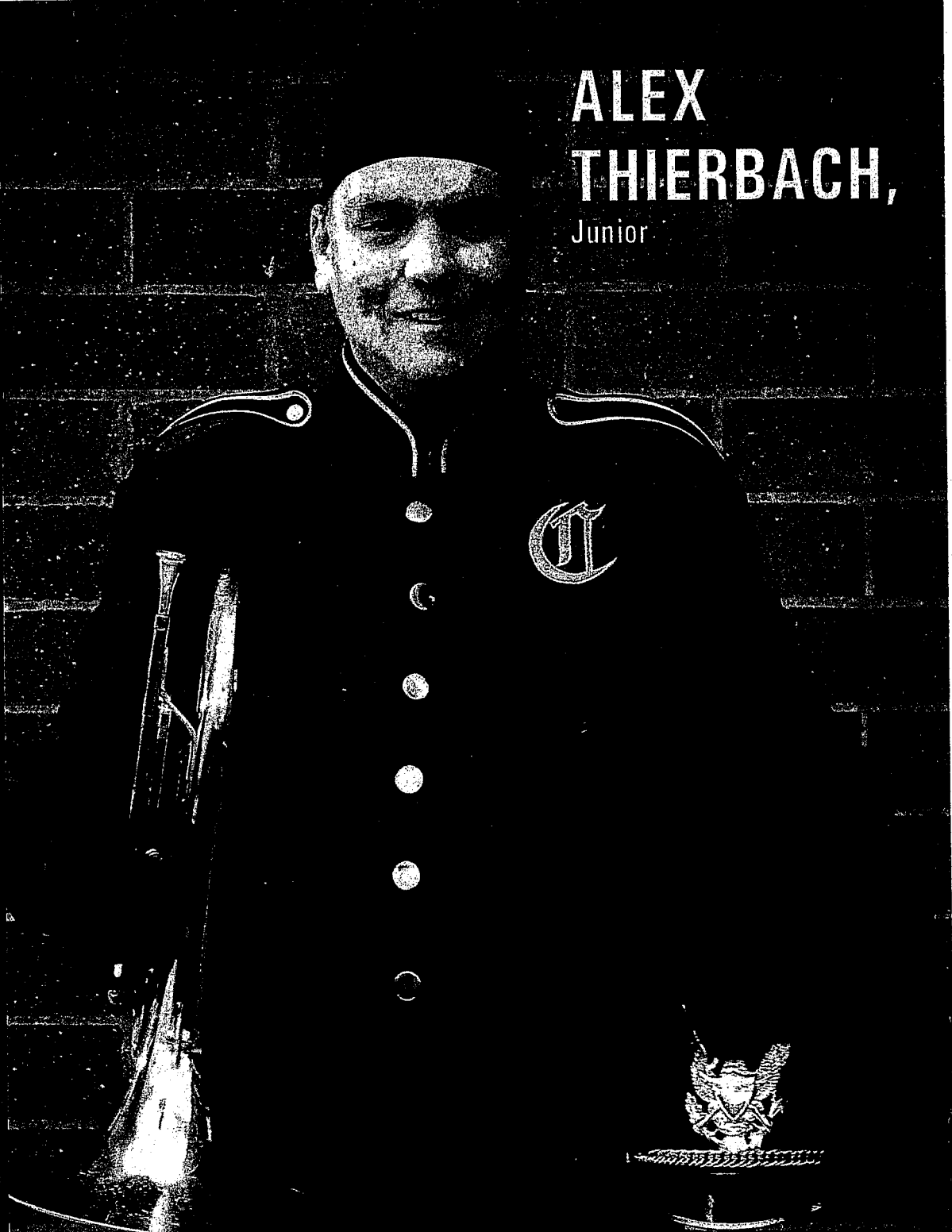
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ALEX THIERBACH, Junior

Parents: Laura and Brett Thierbach
4 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Mellophone
Other Instruments you play: French Horn, Guitar
Band Achievements: I played in a Wood Wind Ensemble this year that got a "1" at both District and State Solo & Ensemble, as well as a Brass Ensemble that got a "1" at District, but didn't go to State Solo & Ensemble.

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TAYLOR TOMEI,

Senior



Parents: Carl and Jenanne Tomei

6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Clarinet

Other Instruments you play: Piano (5 years)

Band Achievements: Since 6th grade, my instrument of choice has been the Clarinet. With the support of family, friends, and great music teachers, the success I have received with music can not be measured with awards. I have been fortunate to have been in marching band (3 yrs); Honors Band (3 yrs), High Honors at Solo & Ensemble (5 yrs), and have attended Blue Lakes Fine Arts Camp (4 yrs) with an invitation to attend their Europe tour. Music will always be with me upon graduation.

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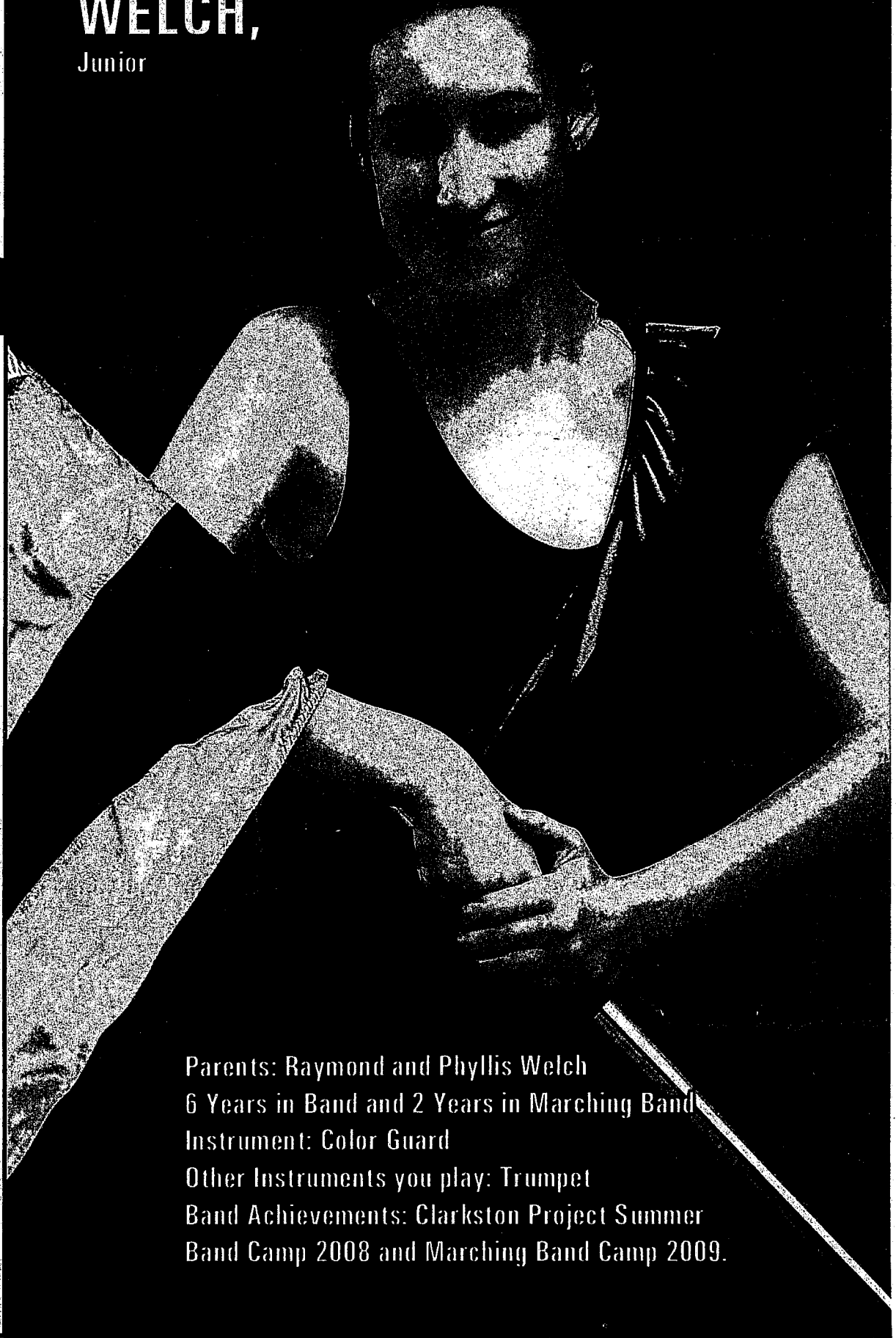


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ASHLEY M. WELCH,

Junior



Parents: Raymond and Phyllis Welch
6 Years in Band and 2 Years in Marching Band
Instrument: Color Guard
Other Instruments you play: Trumpet
Band Achievements: Clarkston Project Summer
Band Camp 2008 and Marching Band Camp 2009.

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**MICHELLE
WHITMORE,**
Freshman



Parents: Hank and Julia Whitmore
4 Years in Band and 1 Year in Marching Band
Instrument: Flute

Other Instruments you play: Piano and Piccolo

Band Achievements: Michelle has participated in Solo & Ensemble earning first and (1) second division rating in middle and high school. She also plays flute for the Oakland Youth Orchestra - Philharmonia and received an "Honorable Mention" for her piccolo solo during their annual competition. Michelle has also participated in the "Clarkston Project" band camp and the "Ervin Monroe Flute Seminar". Michelle was selected for the middle school honors band also.

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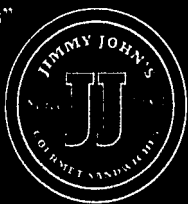
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NICOLE WHITMORE,

Junior



Parents: Hank and Julia Whitmore

6 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Clarinet

Other Instruments you play: Piano and E-Flat Clarinet

Band Achievements: Nicole has participated in Solo & Ensemble every year earning first and second division ratings. She has been selected to participate in honors band at the middle school and high school levels. She has also participated in the Clarkston Project Summer Band Camp.

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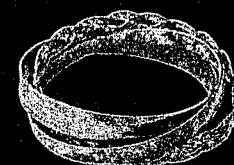
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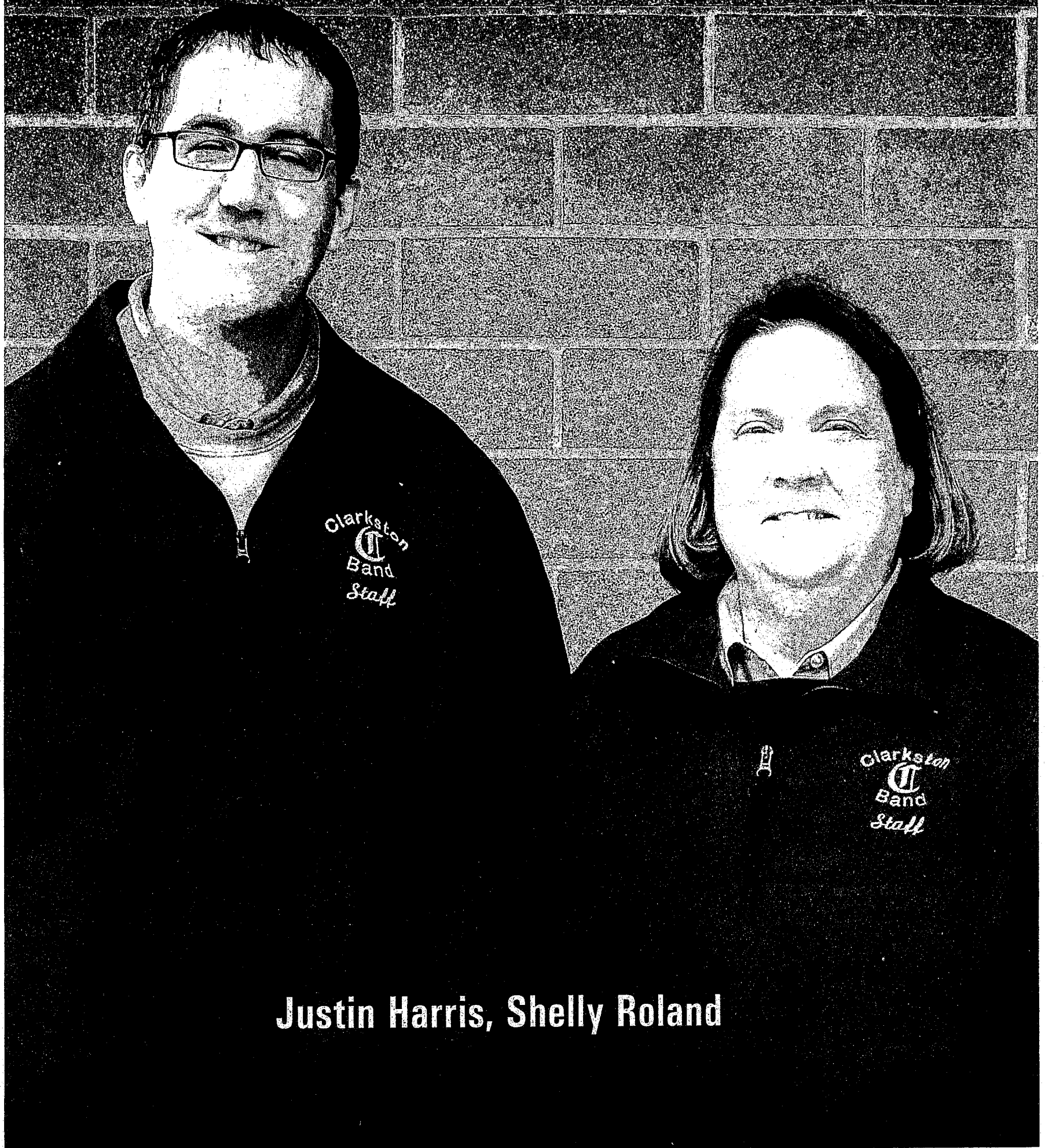


Parents: David and Pamela Zawadzki

2 Years in Band and 3 Years in Marching Band

Instrument: Trombone

Band Achievements: Jenny has been involved with marching band camp for 3 years and has been a marching band state finalist for 3 years. She plans on continuing in concert and marching band-her senior year.



Justin Harris, Shelly Roland

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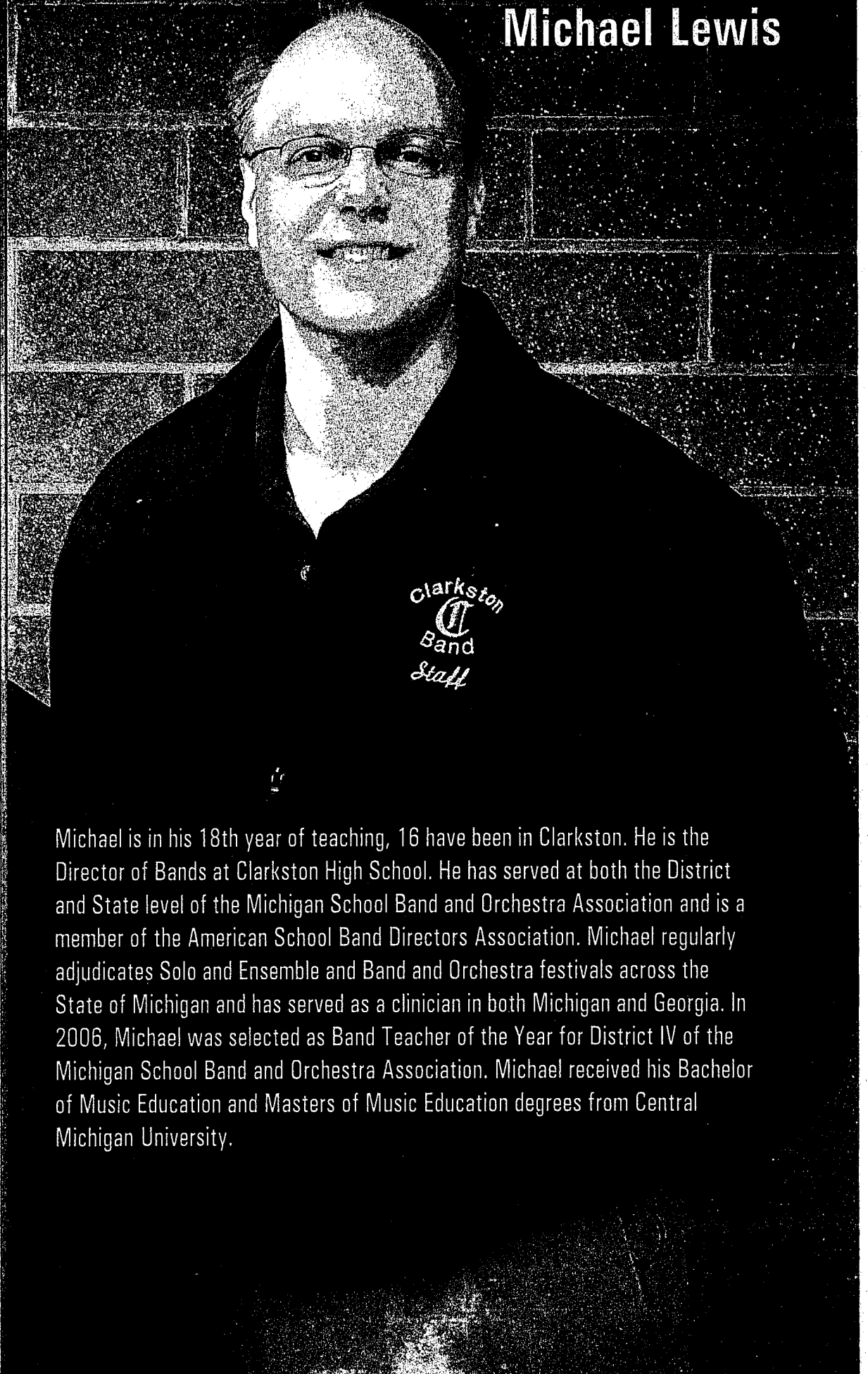
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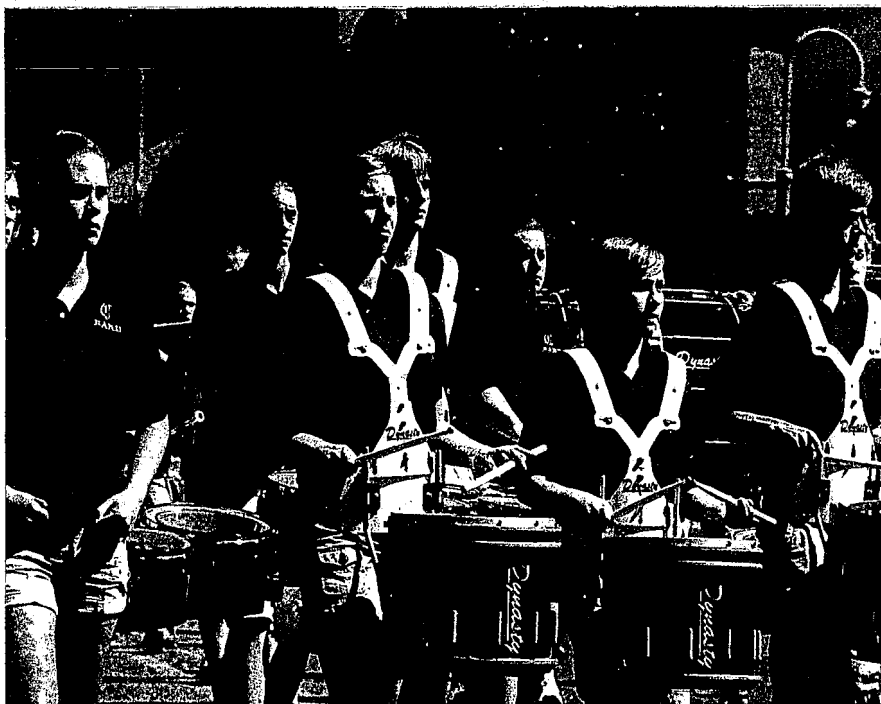
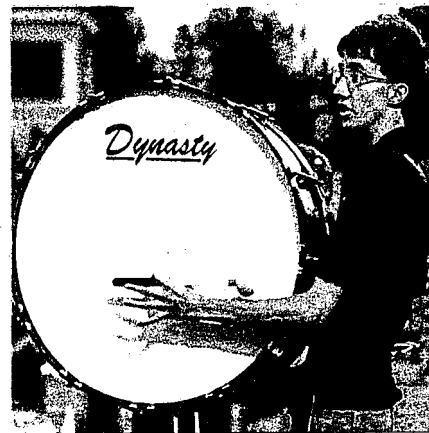
Michael Lewis



Michael is in his 18th year of teaching, 16 have been in Clarkston. He is the Director of Bands at Clarkston High School. He has served at both the District and State level of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association and is a member of the American School Band Directors Association. Michael regularly adjudicates Solo and Ensemble and Band and Orchestra festivals across the State of Michigan and has served as a clinician in both Michigan and Georgia. In 2006, Michael was selected as Band Teacher of the Year for District IV of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association. Michael received his Bachelor of Music Education and Masters of Music Education degrees from Central Michigan University.

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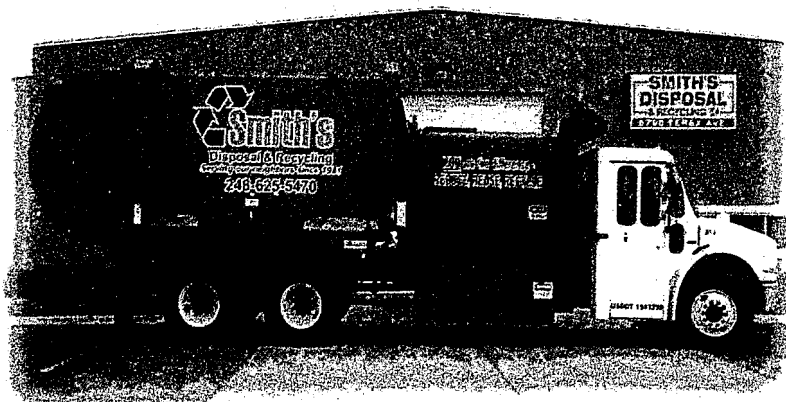




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