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Rescue plan falls short for parks

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township Trustee David Lohmeier's bid to save Deer Lake Beach and Fourth of July festivities was shattered in a tie vote, Dec. 21.

Lohmeier and Trustees Larry Rosso and Neil Wallace voted in favor, while Supervisor Dave Wagner, Treasurer Curt Carson, and Trustee Mark Petterson voted "no." Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen was absent.

After cutting Parks and Recreation special events and Deer Lake Beach from the 2011 budget, Dec. 7, Lohmeier suggested a compromise. It would have amended the supervisor's budget by \$64,400 and reduced pay for an administrative assistant, who hasn't been hired yet, from \$80,200 per year, full-time, to part-time, \$20,800 per year, \$20 an hour, 20 hours a week.

Lohmeier said the office should be thoroughly covered, between the supervisor, part-time deputy supervisor, and part-time administrative assistant.

"We should be able to get good coverage of that office with those three individuals," he said.

Lohmeier said \$28,000 of the reduction could be applied to Parks and Rec to fully support manned operation of the beach at the same level of service as 2010, and \$20,000 would be designated to a Fourth of July Clintonwood Park event. The

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Signs of the season

From left, Trey Pochmara, Keehan Lavell, Katie Fisher, Alexis Simonini and Ava Boehler perform with their classmates at The Learning Experience's "Twas the Night Before Christmas" show, Dec. 17. Please see page 3A for more pictures from the event. Photo provided



Valerie DeVogelaere of Ortonville, Marla Taylor of Clarkston, and Linda Throm of Waterford stock food pantry shelves at Lighthouse. Photo by Phil Custodio

Food donations fill pantry shelves

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Arms filled with toys, Clarkston Medical Group staff took a break, Dec. 23, to help local folks in need.

They presented toys and \$800 donations to Lighthouse Emergency Services on Sashabaw Road and Independence Township Senior Center's Bucks for Buses program.

"This is a very pleasant surprise," said Barbara Rollin, coordinator of Independence

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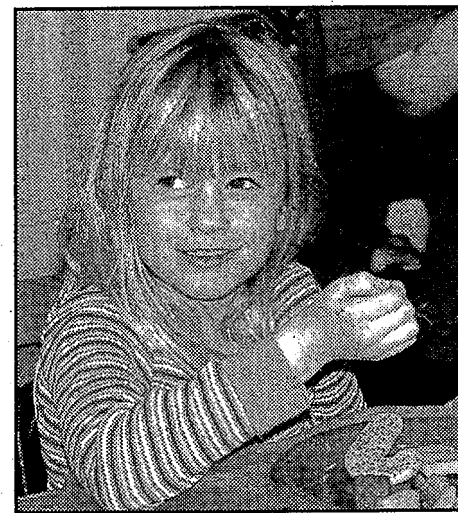
From left, Pine Knob Elementary students Kylie Collins, Abby Evans, and Aurora Harden enjoy some pizza.



Parent volunteer Lisa Barth serves up another helping of fruit for her son, Zander Barth.

**Tigers
enjoy
Christmas
treats**

Teachers and parent volunteers led lots of fun games and activities for students at Pine Knob Elementary, Dec. 16. Kids also enjoyed lots of pizza and cookies, as well as bowls of fruit.



Sarah Johnston enjoys some fruit on a stick. Photos by Phil Custodio

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Sheriff contract OK'd

Independence Township approved the 2011 contract with Oakland County Sheriff's Office, voting 5-2.

Trustees David Lohmeier and Mark Petterson voted against the contract. The contract supplies 27.5 officers at Oakland County Sheriff's Independence Township substation, at a cost of approximately \$133,000.

Free classes at library

Independence Township Library kicks off its Mind and Body Program series with a Self-Defense Sample Class, 7-8 p.m. Jan. 5, at Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

The free programs and samples are to help people make informed decisions about health and fitness, and keep their New Year's resolutions.

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Children spell out a holiday message.



Teacher Heather Zoss and Maddy Cummings perform a number. Photos provided

Christmas spirit on stage

Children and staff of The Learning Experience, 7210 Sashabaw Road, 248-625-5285, starred in "Twas the Night Before Christmas," Dec. 17. Over 500 people watched the Christmas Extravaganza at Clarkston Community Church.



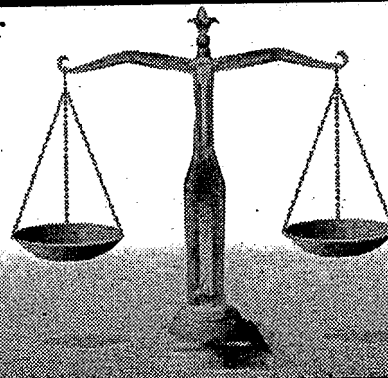
Summer Rigsby and Bubbles enjoy the show.

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Ring in Some New Year's Financial Resolutions

Now that 2011 is almost here, you may want to make some New Year's resolutions. Planning to volunteer? Go to the gym more often? Learn a new language? All worthy ambitions, of course, but this year, why not add some financial resolutions as well?

Which resolutions should you make? Here are a few ideas to consider:

- **Boost your retirement accounts.** No matter how old you'll be in 2011, one thing is certain — you're a year closer to retirement than you were in 2010. And that's why you'll want to increase your contributions to your retirement accounts. If your salary is going up in 2011, boost the amount you defer for your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, such as a 403(b) plan (if you work for a school or other tax-exempt organization) or a 457(b) plan (if you work for a state or local government). With tax-deductible contributions, tax-deferred growth of earnings and several investment options, these types of plans are tremendous ways to save for retirement. And try to "max out" your traditional or Roth IRA, too.

- **Look for opportunities.** With the uncertainties in the economy and the volatility of the financial markets, many people decide to head to the investment "sidelines" for a while. Yet, this environment may actually be a good one for investors with patience, discipline and the ability to look beyond yesterday's headlines. For one thing, many quality securities are now good values. Also, we're still seeing low inflation and low interest rates — factors that may lead to greater economic demand and improved strength in the financial markets.

- **Don't over-react to market swings.** Over the past few years, we've seen plenty of sudden, sharp swings in the financial markets, and you're likely going to see more of them in 2011. Don't over-react to either the "ups" or the "downs" of the market. Over-reacting leads to short-term thinking — and successful investors are the ones who can maintain a long-term perspective.

- **Rebalance when necessary.** At least once a year, review and rebalance your portfolio, as necessary, to make sure it still reflects your goals, risk tolerance and family situation, all of which can change over time.

- **Reduce your debts.** While the sluggish economy of the past couple of years has obviously been a cause of concern for everyone, we have seen one "silver lining" in that many people, concerned about over-spending, have shed some of their debt load. The less money you have to spend on your debts, the more you'll have available to invest for your future, so do what you can to cut down on what you owe.

- **Maintain adequate cash levels.** As an investor, you've got at least two good reasons for maintaining enough cash in your portfolio. First, having adequate cash available means you'll be ready to act quickly to take advantage of good investment opportunities. And second, by having a cash cushion, you won't be forced to liquidate long-term investments to pay for short-term needs such as a major car repair, a new furnace, a big doctor's bill, and so on.

By following these suggestions, you can position yourself to make progress toward your long-term goals in 2011 — and in all the New Years that follow.

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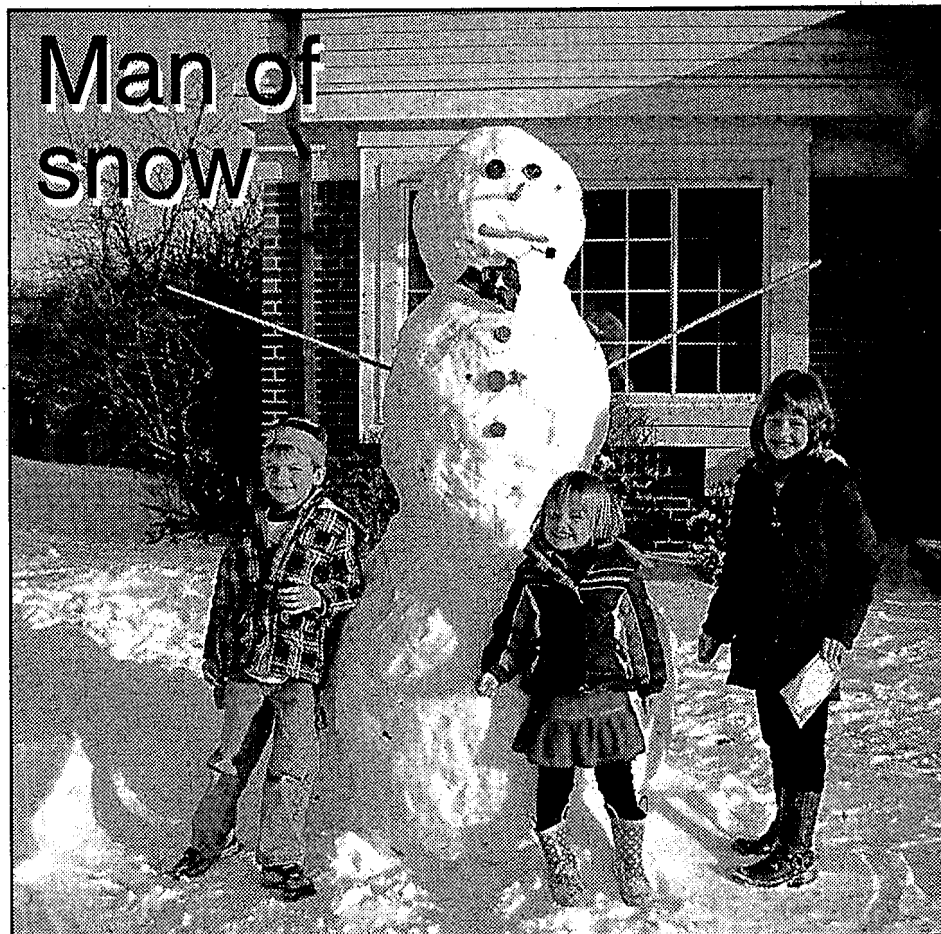
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Sam, 6, Evelyn, 3, and Ella Chick, 8, of Clarkston took advantage of recent snowfalls to build "Snowy," the snowman. Photo provided



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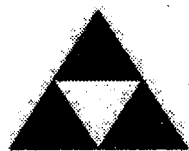
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What Causes TMJ Disorders?

Determining the cause of TMJ problem is important, because it is the cause that guides the treatment. One cause of TMJ symptoms is arthritis, which may result from an injury or from grinding your teeth at night. Another common cause of a TMJ disorder is the displacement or dislocation of the disk that is located between the jawbone and the socket. A displaced disk may produce clicking or popping sounds, limit jaw movement and cause pain when the mouth is opened and closed. The disk can also develop a hole, or perforation, which can produce a grating sound when the joint is moved. Other conditions, such as trauma or rheumatoid arthritis, can cause the parts of the TMJ to fuse, preventing jaw movement altogether.

The Joint, the Muscles or Both are the Problem

Stress may trigger pain in the jaw muscles that is very similar to that caused by TMJ problems. Affected patients frequently clench or grind their teeth at night causing painful spasms in the muscles and difficulty in moving the jaw. Patients may also experience a combination of muscle and joint problems. This is why diagnosing TMJ disorders can be complex and may require different diagnostic procedures.

The Role of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon

When symptoms of TMJ trouble appear, an oral and maxillofacial



surgeon should be consulted. A specialist in the areas of the mouth, teeth and jaws, the oral and maxillofacial surgeon is uniquely educated and trained to correctly diagnose the problem.

Range of Possible Treatment

TMJ treatment ranges from conservative dental and medical care to complex surgery. Depending on the diagnosis, treatment may include short-term, non-steroidal, anti-inflammatory drugs for pain and muscle relaxation, a bite plate or splint therapy, and even stress management counseling. Generally, if non-surgical treatment is unsuccessful or if there is clear joint damage, surgery may be indicated. Surgery can involve either arthroscopy (the method identical to the orthopaedic procedures used to inspect and treat larger joints such as the knee) or repair of damaged tissue by a direct surgical approach. Once TMJ disorders are correctly diagnosed appropriate treatment can be provided.

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Crazy 2010

This has been a crazy year. The year 2010 was the year the status quo no longer held. Chickens came home to roost. People tasted their own medicine. Elvis left the building.

Early this year, school administration announced it had to make \$13 million in cuts. This, after 2009 with all its spending, raises for all, fancy new technology programs, all kinds of stuff. This led to...

Al Roberts, the esteemed former superintendent. The veil was off, wheels off the wagon. A few weeks of media scrutiny and the good doctor called it quits, though taking as much taxpayer money with him as he could. I check up on him occasionally. Superintendent of a school district near Chicago, he's trying to sell a \$75 million bond referendum, threatening \$6 million in cuts if it fails.

More resilient was Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner, surviving a year-long recall effort against him. Not surviving, though...

Clarkston Police, falling victim to budget cuts. City officials offered to save it, provided residents agree to a tax increase. They declined. Also facing the axe, actually a paint roller with a really long extension...

Main Street mural, on the north side of the Clarkston News building. Whatever the reason - negative public opinion, missed deadlines, vandals - its time was up, and a project in its fourth year was erased in less than an hour.

There were many more cuts - parks and recreation, public comment at Independence Township meetings, school and government staff - but there was good news in 2010 too.

Clarkston Optimists took it upon themselves to rescue Friendly Forest, an earlier victim of township budget cuts. They made a profit, too.

Community service isn't just a sentencing option here - kids and adults do them all year long, helping out families at home and abroad, troops overseas, all without government help.

The Clarkston News stepped into the technology age, with online programs on ClarkstonTV.com, and our own page on Facebook. My show, Phil in the Blank, has been on ClarkstonTV.com for months now, from a half-hour inaugural show where I go over every page of the newspaper, to the learner 8-10 minutes now...



Care packages appreciated

Ed. note: this email was forwarded to the Clarkston News by American Legion Post 63, Clarkston.

Greetings from Shindand, Afghanistan. I just received the box that you sent. Thank you very much. I took some of the items and shared the rest with others.

I have to apologize for the email. Normally, I would write a hand written note. However, letter mail is so bad from Shindand that it would take at least a month to reach you. Packages to and from here take about 8-14 days to arrive, however paper mail takes about 3-4 weeks.

We think it because mail goes through Kandahar. They put mail onto pallets and when a pallet is full, the Air Force flies it out here. Well, packages fill up pallets fast, letters do not. That is our theory at least.

Life in Afghanistan can be up and down. I will be really busy one day, and extremely bored the next. I am the intelligence officer for an aviation battalion. We have Apaches, Blackhawks, Chinooks, and MEDEVAC.

My five-person intelligence section and myself brief the aircrews that fly each day on the air threat in our area of operations. We are located in Regional Command West, which as the name states, we are in the western part of the country.

These deployments can be pretty difficult

at times, mentally for me, but physically for many.

Now I don't go out and do patrols like a lot of soldiers, but I am working in the office for about 13 hours a day, every day.

My unit has been here since early July, and we will likely be going home early July of next year. Everyone is already looking forward to it.



Kolano

This is my second deployment. I was in Iraq from June 08- June 09, and then the unit deployed again about 12 and a half months after we got back. Luckily when we get home, I'll be leaving this unit, and will go to one that doesn't deploy so frequently.

This is the longest I have gone. I lived in Clarkston from when I was an infant until I graduated from Clarkston HS in 2003, and then went to West Point.

I definitely miss Clarkston; it was a great place to grow up.

Again, thank you for the box. It is always nice to be thought of when we are over here.

Respectfully,

Capt. Bryan Kolano
Shindand Airfield, Afghanistan

No excuse for meeting absences

Dear Editor,

I just watched the Independence Township Board meeting of Dec. 14 which DIDN'T happen since four of seven members choose to miss the meeting! Not the first time for any of the missing but it was especially disturbing for the two fulltime township employees, Supervisor Dave Wagner and Treasurer Curt Carson.

Each missed previous meetings and it seems to me that as a full time employee these meetings should be a prime task they need to attend. This lack of attendance sends a real mes-

sage to all the citizens of our township as to the commitment and concern of our elected representatives as well as a very poor example for other township employees.

I am sure I will hear good excuses from all the absentees but it will be hard to accept such a cavalier attitude on their part. Kudos to Neil Wallace and Dave Lohmeier who seem to find the time to attend all the meetings and to Clerk Shelia Vanderveen who was at this meeting.

J. James Reed
Independence Township

Thanks for strangers' hospitality

Dear Editor,

I just wanted to share my story about a wonderful gift of kindness.

Last Saturday morning, I had dropped my son and husband off at work on the way back home I ran out of gas, no cell phone sitting on the side of Clarkston Road. What to do? I got out of my car on that very dark, very cold morning and started walking. To my right, down a driveway, I saw car lights - the answer to my prayers. A man stopped and let me use his cell to call my husband, who didn't answer my call.

The very nice man sent me to his house, calling to say I was coming. Now, remember it is dark, 6:30 a.m., and these people don't know me from Adam as I stand there in my green

bathrobe and pink croc's.

A woman opened the door, let me in her home, let me use her cell to call my husband, got dressed, started her own car to warm it up, and sat with me at the end of her driveway until my husband came.

This woman was Michelle Phaup of Clarkston Realty. I would like to express my deepest thanks to both of them.

They were truly a blessing sent to me on that cold dark morning and exemplify the true meaning of Christmas spirit. We all need to take a lesson from their kindness.

Thank you again,

Kim McAlister
Independence Township

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1995

"School growth expected to continue" Despite the trend in southeast Michigan for shrinking household sizes, Clarkston was expected to need more elementary school space. SEMCOG's growth forecast population to increase to 64,265 in Clarkston, Independence Township, and Springfield Township by 2020.

"Take a ride on the internet" The online service was introduced at Independence Township Library, which also offered classes on how to use it. The township also installed a 16-line modem pool to help residents get on the World Wide Web.

"Winter can be fun" Ashley Hudson and Kaitlyn Sitar, both Clarkston students, got in some ice skating on the frozen Mill Pond over Christmas break. The pond was frozen solid much earlier than usual, delighting skaters.

25 years ago - 1985

"Psychic talks about her gifts" Several of Independence Township resident Shirley Lynch's predictions for 1985 came true, at least partly. Predictions for 1986 and beyond included large building boom for Independence, an attempt to place a prison in the township, and championships for the Detroit Lions in the 1990s.

"Christmas vacation" Matt Allen and his dog Hannibal spent some time sledding near their Independence Township home the day after Christmas.

"Tis the season to perform" Carrie Sherman, Jessica Marlowe, Andrea and Christopher Jones, Michelle Tarsi, Mike Richardson, Alyssa von Drehle and classmates at Clarkston Christian School performed "Santa and the Christ Child" for family and friends.

50 years ago - 1960

"Clarkston High School building plans to be shown at convention" Superintendent Dr. L.F. Greene planned to show the plans for a new \$1.65 million high school at a national school administrators' convention.

"Buffet supper at Storm home" Mr. and Mrs. Jack Storm, and Carol and Al, invited friends to their home during the Christmas holidays for a buffet supper. Mr. Lloyd, an accomplished musician, entertained the group with music on the organ.

"Not just weeds to 4-H members" Mrs. William Kichery, flower project leader, worked with eight 4-H girls to create winter bouquets, with pine cones, milk weed pods, wild cukes, thistle, and other weeds, for their families.

Reader calls for columnist to move

Dear Mr. Jim Sherman, Jr. (publisher),

For the life of me, I can't understand why you published this piece of drivel in your newspaper ("Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow, somewhere else," page 7A, Dec. 15).

Obviously Mr. Don Rush does not like living in this climate and unfortunately vents his distaste for Michigan on all who happen to read your paper.

In a time when promoting all that Michigan has to offer and uplifting the spirits of our citizens should be a priority, this "journalist's" ramblings are very depressing.

Please, sir, keep your negative views to yourself and move to a climate more suitable to your liking.

David Belch
Orion

It's a wrap for 2010; all the best for 2011

Take a look at the bearded chap with a Santa hat that goes with these words. This is the last week you'll see this fellow's festive, holiday mug shot. That photo will not be used again. After this week, it will be retired.

(I recommend staring at the picture for one minute, without blinking -- that should be sufficient enough to burn the image onto your retinas, or at least sear it onto your subconscious.)

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The Year of Our Lord, 2010 was actually better than many feared it would be. In our business and our communities, there were many positive endeavors. For example, at our weekly networking groups, the Coffee Club, I've been fortunate to meet a ton of local business types. I enter 2011 knowing more people than I did entering 2010. This is a positive thing.

* * *

Sometimes you need to look hard for positives. Like this: Actually there are good things that happen during a recession/depression like the one Michigan has experienced.

1. There are fewer cars on the roads, which makes driving nicer.

2. We, as a state of workers, have been weaned off the bottle of being taken care of by somebody else.

And, 3. Because of that ruthless act of economic weaning, more of us are becoming self-sufficient. We are less wasteful, we are again trying to shop local and more of us are becoming risk-takers. There has been a rebirth of the entrepreneurial spirit in our fair state. Keep reading (supporting) your local newspaper in 2011 and you'll continue to discover some very cool local businesses blossoming.

* * *

The Bossman (aka, the publisher, aka Jim Sherman, Jr.) got an e-mail last week chastising him for employing me. (That e-mail might be published this week as a letter to the editor -- I recommend everybody read it.) In short, the letter writer thinks I should only build up Michigan's downtrodden. I shouldn't write about shoveling nearly 1.3 miles worth of snow because that has negative overtones and Michiganders can't handle that. (I know, however, Michiganders can).

In an effort to be like the federal government, I shall lower my standards to be all inclusive; I'll just lump you all together and write for Michiganders and Michiganders alike. I shall take-up the mantle. I will throw the state of Michigan over my shoulders and, as a force of one, I shall lead us to that promised-land of no sarcasm, no tongue-in-

cheek humor, no self-deprecation, humility or negativisms; a place where nothing crappy ever happens; where even local government-types listen to their constituency; where there are no stupid people, doing stupid things! I will help make this the robotic, toe-the-line, drone-state, Stepford community you all want it to be.

The writer of that e-mail is right, I (and I alone) should promote all that Michigan has to offer and uplift the "spirits of our citizens."

This shall be my priority, my life's duty.

* * *

Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

Let me get off that subject quickly as my eye is starting to twitch... last week, too late for promoting and publishing before the Christmas gift-giving season, I received two books for reviewing.

Small Town Michigan Tales by Joseph E. Pluta, is 227-page collection of short stories about living in small-town Michigan. This is a work of fiction, but gives a fairly accurate view of living in

rural Michigan during the second half of the 20th century. It's available at Amazon.com or FriesenPress.com.

Isle Royale National Park, Foot Trails & Water Routes by Independence Township resident Jim DuFresne also made it my way and with this note:

"Don, you mentioned you'd like to visit Isle Royale. This edition (the first by MichinganTrailMaps.com) turned out really well. Enjoy and have a great holiday. Jim."

First, Jim is an outdoors writer by training and is one of the local Michiganders (not 'gander) who (because his previous newspaper gig was downsized out of existence) has started a new business, MichiganTrailMaps.com. While the new business is a website, part of its business plan is to publish PRINTED material like books on hiking. Which leads me to point No. 2.

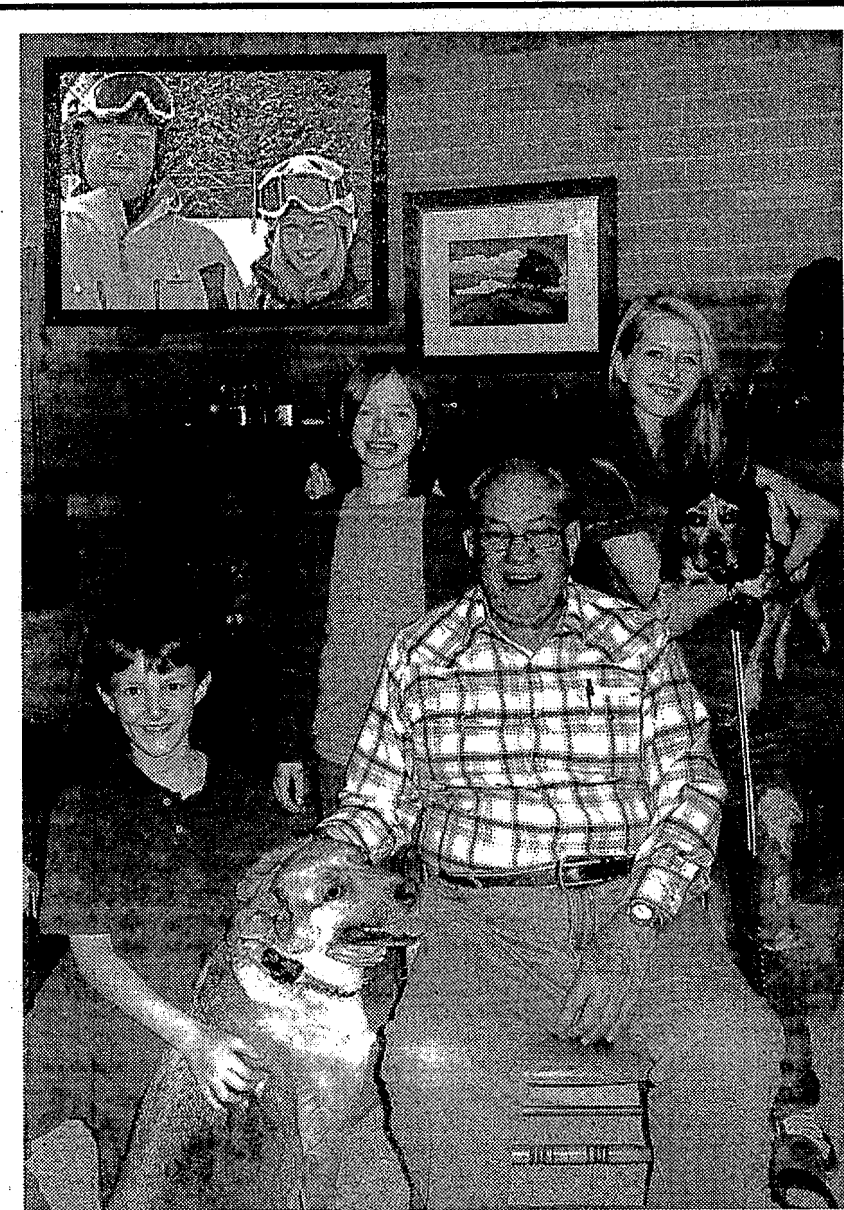
I love this book! I like the way it is laid out, the way it reads and the information contained. If you like hiking and reading, I highly recommend it. The book is available at above mentioned website.

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Finally, final words of wisdom for 2010 to carry you (or is it uplift you?) into 2011, an Irish toast:

"In the New Year, may your right hand always be stretched out in friendship but never in want."

Comments for the Inspirational-only One, Don can be e-mailed to don@donrushmedon.com



Happy New Year From The Grandkids

When we first started this Jim's Jottings holiday tradition, the two grandchildren pictured on the wall (Dan and Karen Offer) were small enough to fit on my knees. It was 1988. Dan was 3-years-old and Karen was four-months-old. In that first picture, Karen had no hair, I had more and I still wore a suit and tie to work every day. Now they are grown and living out west and I only wear a tie if the occasion arises. They are the children of our daughter Luan and her husband, Bob Offer. Karen's a ski instructor in Vail, CO; Dan's in accounting in Cheyenne, WY,

Back then, the three grandchildren standing around me, were only being dreamed of and anxiously waited for. Now, too, they are growing and be-

coming fine young people. The Speed sibling standing behind me is Savannah, 15 with her beagle, Brodi. Next to me are the twins, Haley and Trevor, 11. Their proud parents are our daughter Susan and her husband, Tim Speed.

In 1988, I wrote, "From time to time their names appear in Jottings and I thought you might like to see who we're writing about." These days, I sometimes mention m'dog Shayna. That's her between Trevor and me.

While situations, and stations have changed in the 22 years since 1988, some things do not change. We still find more joy in giving than in receiving and me and the grandkids still wish you a happy New Year!

-- Jim Sherman, Sr.



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Fight trouble

Deputies were called in connection with a fight between two 14-year-old Independence Township girls, junior high school students, 3:30 p.m., Dec. 3. The girls said they fought over a boy.

Snowboard thefts

A 14-year-old Independence Township resident left her ski board outside instead of placing it in the ski corral while taking a break, at Pine Knob Ski Resort on Sashabaw Road, 8 p.m., Dec. 10. It was taken.

An 11-year-old Independence Township boy put his snowboard near the Pine Knob bar while waiting for a ride, 10 p.m., Dec. 16. When he came for it 15 minutes later, it was gone.

A 15-year-old snowboarder didn't want to wait in line for the ski corral at the ski resort, 9:15 p.m., Dec. 20, so he left his board out in front of the building. When he came back 20 minutes later, it was gone.

No license

An 81-year-old Independence Township woman was cited for driving with a suspended license and without due care, 7 p.m., Dec. 11. She was in an accident and drove herself and the other driver to Independence Township substation to report it.

Taking it to the street

A deputy returning to Independence Township from Pontiac stopped to help a stalled vehicle at N. Telegraph and Dixie Highway, 12:34 p.m., Dec. 15. The driver and passenger, a 29-year-old Waterford Township woman and 29-year-old Pontiac man, got out of their car, screaming at each other. They stopped in the middle of the road because they were having an argument. They were turned over to Waterford Police.

Window broken

A second floor window was broken in the 5000 block of N. Ridge Trail, Dec. 16. Owners found a projectile, a piece of metal, in the window frame.

Stolen credit

An Independence Township man was hit with a fraudulent \$32.95 charge for a video website on his credit card, Dec. 17. He cancelled the card.

Christmas grinch

Someone broke out the window of a minivan parked in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway and stole Christmas presents, 9 p.m., Dec. 17.

A back car door window was broken and Christmas presents stolen, Dec. 17, in the 7000 block of N. Main Street. The presents were gifts from students to their teacher.


Caught with marijuana

A deputy stopped a pickup truck with headlights off, 11:26 p.m., Dec. 20, at Dixie and Rockcroft. The driver, an 18-year-old West Bloomfield Township man, and passenger, 17-year-old Waterford Township boy, both smelled of marijuana and admitted to smoking it that day. After a search turned up residue and marijuana hidden in a plastic bottle and a pipe, the driver was cited for possession.

Aunt rescue

Springfield Township deputies checked on a 79-year-old resident, after her niece called to say she hadn't heard from her in a couple days, 6:35 p.m., Dec. 22. They found the resident in the bathroom. She was conscious, and said she had been stuck there for two days. She was taken to Henry Ford Hospital in West Bloomfield for treatment.

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Trustees want to hear from new director first

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 remaining \$16,400 would be placed in the general fund balance.

"My concept here is to make due with less administratively to maintain the services people value," he said. "To challenge and give the tools to our parks and rec. director to take on the task we're asking him to do without hamstringing him."

The Township Board hired Ken Elwert as Independence Township Parks and Rec. director this past December. Elwert is the former director of Lapeer County Parks and Rec.

Wagner said the administrative assistant would not be his personal secretary, but work in many departments.

"That is the intention (and) that's how it's always been," Wagner said. "With those departments it's very hard to function without that assistance."

Rosso felt a part-time clerical position to coordinate with the deputy supervisor was a "reasonable compromise."

"I can't justify a full-time person when we're cutting back on services," he said. "If we can bring back what Mr. Lohmeier suggested, everything from our 2010 budget, that would be great if there is a way to do that."

However, Rosso noted he would like to

hear from Elwert and see what he has to say.

"I think he's going to offer a lot of insight in what we can and cannot do, simple as that," Rosso said.

Carson agreed he was in favor of the parks and rec. activities too, but pointed out one of the strengths of the new director was "his ability to do things with very little resources."

"He's come from running a whole county parks and rec. department on less than a quarter of the funding we have in our budget for a township," Carson said. "I believe with the roughly \$2.2 million toward parks and recreation, which is over 35 percent of the general fund budget, we can run virtually any program we want to run. I believe we need to give this new director the latitude to come in and make these things happen."

Carson said he wasn't interested in just "throwing money at the department" because the board feels it's available.

"If they were to come to the board and say, 'hey, we don't have the resources to do this and we can prove to you why,' then I'm more than happy to make something work," he said. "But I don't want to give it to them just so they can spend it."

Petterson said he had "half a mind" to

vote for Lohmeier's proposal, but he too wanted to hear from the new director.

"I understand what you're saying and you make very good sense, but I also want his opinion before I vote for this," Petterson said to Lohmeier. "I would move you to table it until we can get him in."

Petterson also said the true cost for Deer Lake was closer to \$32,000, once personnel costs were factored in.

Lohmeier argued the beach was "effectively closed" as an unmanned operation and residents will lose far more than \$32,000 in property values.

Wallace said the township's goal is not to employ people but to provide services.

"We have running room, we have time," he said. "We should be giving him (Elwert) the concepts and saying 'here's what we want you to define for us (and) here is some money to do it with.'"

Lohmeier thought the decision was a "no-brainer" and was bothered by the "hypocrisy" of his fellow board members.

"To say 'I am 100 percent in favor of these programs, I don't want to cut any of them, but I'm not going to vote for it,'" Lohmeier said. "What got said that night for those people who voted no was 'services to the community are less important than whatever their political alliance happens to be.'"

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"The majority of the donations were raised by staff - many gave extra," said Dr. Tim O'Neill, president of Clarkston Medical Group.

The senior center and Lighthouse are worthy organizations helping local people in need, O'Neill said.

"For seniors who can't get around, buses are a lifeline," he said. "Lighthouse does good work for people who need it. They serve a real purpose."

"This is just awesome - I thank them for thinking of us," said Michele Robinson, volunteer coordinator for senior services at Lighthouse Emergency Services. "It's wonderful how the community supports Clarkston Lighthouse."

With holiday-season donations from the community, Lighthouse's food pantry is well stocked for the year, Robinson said.

"The community is so giving," she said.

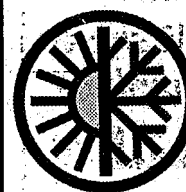


From left, CMG staff members Katrina Stanifer, Ryan France, Nancy Gahman, Nicole Shea, Jaimee Olsen, Angie Kopka, and Dr. Tim O'Neill present donations to Michele Robinson of Lighthouse North, and Barbara Rollin, coordinator of Independence Township Senior Center. Photo by Phil Custodio

"We don't have to ask - people call and ask 'what do you need,' or just show up with donations. Once we were out of Ramen noodles, and a vanful of Ramen showed up from Our Lady of the Lakes school. That's how it happens. A lot of angels are looking

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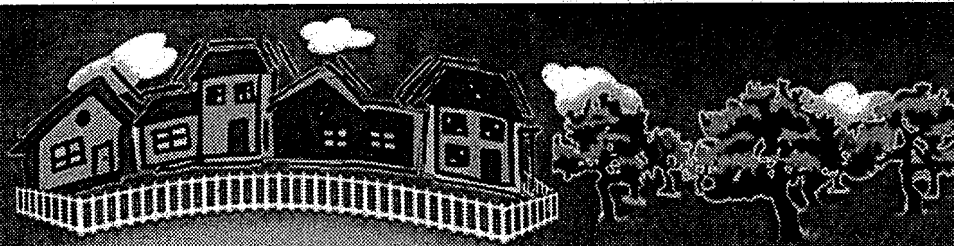
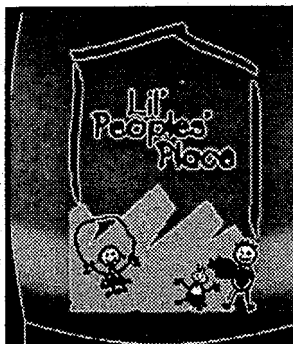
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Finding identity

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Cagers are making their New Year's Resolutions and long-time coach Dan Fife hopes they include focusing on their identity as a team and getting their confidence back.

The boys were in the gym during holiday break, practicing and going through drills after their 41-40 loss to Troy-Athens, Dec. 21.

"There weren't too many bright spots in our game there," Fife admitted. "Credit to Troy-Athens, they did what they had to do to win the ball game - we didn't. We had opportunities but we played so poorly in the first half it was almost like we let the Carman-Ainsworth loss (Dec. 15) spill over."

The Red Hawks capitalized on Clarkston's misses, the Wolves hitting only five of their 28 attempts on the basket, and led going into half-time by four points, 18-14.

The Wolves opened the second half with a six-point run, aided by a field goal from junior Nick Tatu.

But the tide turned again and the boys lost the lead by the time the buzzer ended

the third quarter.

Troy-Athens held a three-point lead into the last two minutes in the game until junior Matt Dellinger scored two points.

The Wolves tried three more shots to gain the lead, including a final attempt from senior Max Collins - all missed, ending the game down one point.

"It was one point but it was like we were swimming upstream all night," said Fife. "Some say our defense held Athens to 41 points, but they just played to 41 and it was good enough for them to win."

Tatu led the team with 22 points, scoring six three-pointers throughout the game. Junior Mitch Baenziger added nine points and scored one field goal.

The Wolves, keeping in mind their 1-2 record, are focused on their next week of games, beginning Jan. 4 at Southfield and continuing on Jan. 7 against Oak Park at home.

"Southfield is a tough place to play and tough team to play," said Fife. "In fairness, Southfield is talented and right now they are playing with confidence. They know who they are. Right now we are questioning who



Mitch Baenziger blocks a shot. Photo by Larry Wright

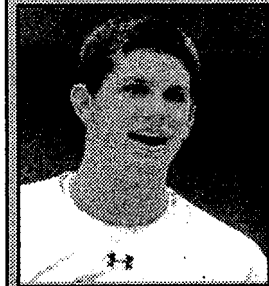
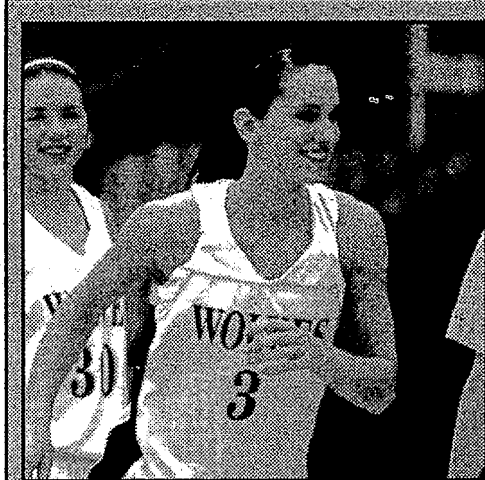
we are because we haven't created our identity."

The boys are looking for a win after their loss to Southfield last year in the MHSAA Regional Championship game, 67-57.

Fife added the boys should have an identity established by the end of the holiday break to help them as they go against the Bluejays

and into their OAA Red league games.

"This is the time, over Christmas, we need to regroup and every player figuring out what their role is and figure out what they need to do to contribute," Fife continued. "Each one needs to determine it and if they haven't determined it, then each one has to change my opinion."



Athletes of the Year

Congrats 2010 Athletes of the Week, Jan.-June

January

Everest Collegiate High School Boys Varsity Basketball team, Grappler Matt Deitz, Cager Anna Manilla

February

Icer Adam Frank, Kicker Hannah Siegfried, Grappler Zac Roberson, Clarkston High School Varsity Competitive Cheer team

March

Clarkston Boys Swim team, Grapplers Matt Deitz, Evan King, Zac Roberson, Jeff Sloney and Matt Vandermeer, Cager Matt Kamieniecki, Liberty Cheer teams - The Sparklers and Firestorm, Our Lady of Lakes Girls Varsity Basketball team

April

Lacrosser Chapin White, Hitters Bailee Braunreuther and Taylor Hasselbach, Cagers Jordan Clark, Matt Kamieniecki and Tyler Scarlett, Kicker Katie Vondette

May

Clarkston Varsity Girls Soccer team, Softballers ICE Silver 12U team, Lacrosser Shelby Hutchinson, Hitter Liz Zezula

June

Shot-putter Nick Matich, Hitters Chris Mocerino and Tyler Scarlett, Tennis Kristina Lucas, Hitter Taylor Hasselbach, Hurdler Franziska Loetzner




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Clarkston teams prove themselves in playoffs, 2010

As your favorite athletes continue their holiday break and celebrate a new year, *The Clarkston News* looks back at January through June of 2010.

Remember when the Varsity Wrestling team placed five at the MHSAA State Finals? Varsity Boys Baseball hoisted their district trophy into the air? Or when the Lady Wolves finished their soccer season as OAA White champs? It was a good year!

Enjoy the brief flashback! For complete stories, check our online archives at www.ClarkstonNews.com or stop by our office, 5 S. Main Street.

January 13

Cagers heat up new rivalry: Nick Tatu sank his two free throw shots against Pontiac High School, ending the first rivalry game, 53-49.

Grapplers put feet on the line: Matt Deitz took first in his 140-pound weight class at the Goodrich Tournament of Champs.

January 20

Wolves defeat tough defense with smart moves: It was the dunk heard around Clarkston as Tyler Scarlett reached up and put the ball through the basket in the Boys Varsity Basketball team's win over West Bloomfield, 51-40.

Cagers carry momentum into overtime: Megan Hastings led the Lady Wolves as they took down Southfield-Lathrup in two overtime periods, 50-48.

January 27

Gridiron heroes honored with leadership award: The Clarkston High School football program was recognized and received the Steve Spicer Memorial Leadership award for their time-honored tradition of giving back to the community.

February 3

Wolves swat Yellow Jackets in OAA Red play: Cagers were back in form as they outscored Avondale 34-6 in the first half of the OAA Red game. They finished the game, 47-21.

Lady Wolves score win on Lakers: Lindsey Reppuhn dominated the board with 13 points in the Lady Cagers win over West Bloomfield, 50-44.



Chapin White keeps Lake Orion at bay during their annual Game for a Cure this past May. Photo by Wendi Reardon

February 10

Grapplers take league title at 'Red' tourney, ready for Districts: The Wolves walked away from the OAA Red Tournament with 173.5 points, taking the title from seven teams, including Lake Orion, which finished in second.

February 17

Wolves unstoppable at districts: The Boys Varsity Wrestling team beat Lake Orion and Rochester Adams to win the district championship.

February 24

Wolves make Dragon stew on Senior Night: After falling to Lake Orion earlier in the season, the Clarkston Wolves Hockey team came out with a win the second time they faced their arch rival, 5-3.

March 10

Wolves rank as the best during finals: It was third time's the charm for Matt Deitz as he won the championship match for the MHSAA Wrestling Individuals Final. Four of his teammates finished in the top eight – all named All-State.

Wolves fling Highlanders out of playoffs: Cagers took Rochester Adams out of the first round of districts, beating them, 69-58.

March 17

Wolves leave Lake Orion in the dust in district playoffs: The Wolves' Jungle put their

plan into action as Clarkston took a time out less than two minutes to go in the final round of district playoffs against Lake Orion. They chanted "just like football" and continued the energy as Clarkston won the district championship 48-36.

April 7

Lady Wolves start with two wins: Kickers were proving they were a force to be reckoned with in their new season – taking down Oxford and Waterford Kettering in their first two games.

April 21

Diamond domination: Lady Wolves kick started their season taking over the scoreboard against Troy-Athens with a 12-1 and 10-0 win.

Golfers swing to victory at OAA Red tournament: Golfers kept one stroke below Rochester Adams to take first place at the OAA Red tournament on April 15.

April 28

Kickers lead season with 8-0 record: Lady Kickers were leaving a dust of dirt in their path as they took down three more opponents in their spring season.

May 19

Wolves hold bragging rights in Lake Orion win: A gleam hit each lacrosse players' eyes as they closed their game against Lake Orion during their Annual Game for a Cure.

They won, 10-4.

Enthusiasm renewed as lacrossers head to regionals: The Lady Wolves beat Swartz Creek 13-7 during their preparation for regional playoffs.

Homeruns save the day: A grand slam from Matt Rodgers and a home run from Alex Topham aided the Varsity Boys Baseball team in their 13-9 win over Lapeer East in the Nathan Memorial Tournament championship game.

May 26

Wolves knock Waterford out of playoffs: The ball went loose in front of Waterford United's net and Bobby Peterson moved forward to score with 4:32 remaining in the MHSAA Pre-Regional game on May 20, finishing the game 13-3.

June 9

Four homers help Wolves win district crown: Clarkston Boys Varsity baseball team reclaimed the district trophy after beating Fenton in the playoffs, 12-5.

Clarkston's successful season ends in 2-1 week: The Lady Kickers season ended after playing Rochester Adams in the district finals. The girls finished with a 15-3-2 season and as OAA White champions, their first league title.

Softball season ends in tiebreaker: The girls had Hartland where they wanted them, scoring a 4-0 lead. Hartland turned it around, tied the game and sent both teams into an extra inning where Clarkston lost, 5-4.

June 16

Lady Wolves take seventh during the state finals: Kristina Lucas and Katie Brozovich faced their emotions as they played against opponents they knew well during the state finals both defeating them and helping the Girls Varsity Tennis team to finish seventh in the state finals.

Wolves claim second place in league finals: The Clarkston Boys Varsity Baseball team lost to Rochester Adams in the MHSAA Regional finals, 7-5.

June 23

Icers back on the rink: Austin Morse and Brad Pizzey brought out their ice skates as they headed to the Meijer Skate Games of Michigan.

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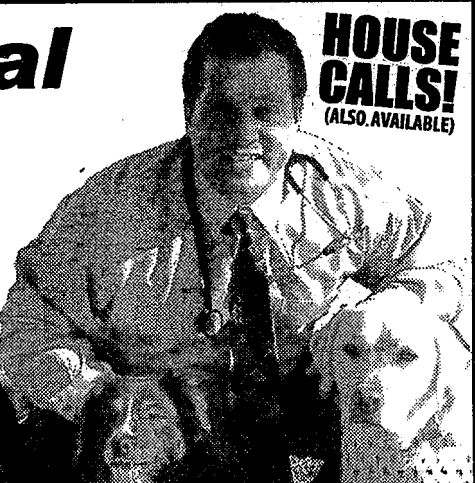
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New Year's resolution for 2011?



"I need to find a way to make more money."

- Jerod Chockley



"I haven't really thought about it but spend wisely and save for my car."

- Alexis Stone



"Not work so hard, say what's on my mind and start working out."

- Sue Sue Shore



"To be employee of the month."

- Andy Sutherland

By Wendi Reardon

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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Triumphs of 2010

Our Millstream features, Jan.-June, 2010, highlighted community leaders and servants, artists, performers, all making the Clarkston community safer, more beautiful, just a better place.



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Religion

Give some love to our community

Did you know that Americans spend over \$400 billion a year on Christmas?

The average shopper will spend \$658 for gifts this year. One in four Christians say that Christmas cripples their budget. One in three Americans lives with extreme stress that worsens during the holidays.

I just finished a Christmas Series at my church called GIVE THIS CHRISTMAS AWAY.

The main idea was to change how we do Christmas. Instead of rushing around, stressing out, spending money we don't have -let's simplify!

Let's make Christmas a time when we slow down, focus on relationships, and give to those who really need it.

Do we really have to buy 37 gifts

for each one of us? Do we really have to go into debt every Christmas, and then get depressed every January, wondering how we're going to pay the bills? What is the real point of Christmas, anyway? After all, it's Jesus' birthday! How does Jesus want us to celebrate Christmas?

In one of my messages I encouraged our congregation to GIVE LOVE TO OUR COMMUNITY. I gave them ten ideas.

Here are just a few of them:

Decorate a Christmas tree to give to a needy family. Our church got fifty Christmas trees, and then families in our church bought decorations, and we gave the trees away.

Buy a Christmas gift for a needy family through Angel Tree. We hung up little paper angel decorations on a tree at our church, with instructions on how to buy some gifts for needy families. People would take an angel off the tree and buy the gifts written on it. We helped 250 needy families

this way.

These are just two examples of how we "gave some love to our community."

Some families spontaneously paid for someone's dinner at a restaurant. Many gave blood at our Blood Drive.

It might be as simple as holding the door and smiling at someone.

The point is this: Christmas is about God so loving the world that he gave his Son to die for us.

Love gives. And God calls us to love -which means that we need to be givers.

I encourage you this Christmas season, go ahead and enjoy your family and swap a few gifts.

But think about maybe cutting back a bit. Maybe you could spend a little less on yourself and a little more on those who really need it.

After all, isn't that what Christmas is really about?

The Rev. Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

In our churches...

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, 248-628-6825.

DC4K, DivorceCare for Kids, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. 12-week session starts Jan. 11. DivorceCare for adults runs concurrently. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

Wednesday Evening FEAST, dinner at 6 p.m., worship at 6:50 p.m., classes for all ages, 7:15-8:30 p.m. Free nursery. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

A Course In Miracles, Wednesday, 12 p.m.; Thursday, 5:30 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

P.A.T.H. - Pray And Things Happen: Spiritual Tools for Enhancing Life and Living. Thursdays, 7 p.m., Peace Unity, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

Celebrate Recovery, Thursday, 7-8:30 pm., Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. 248-625-1323. Childcare available.

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Wednesday 6:30 pm
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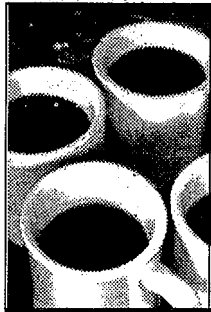
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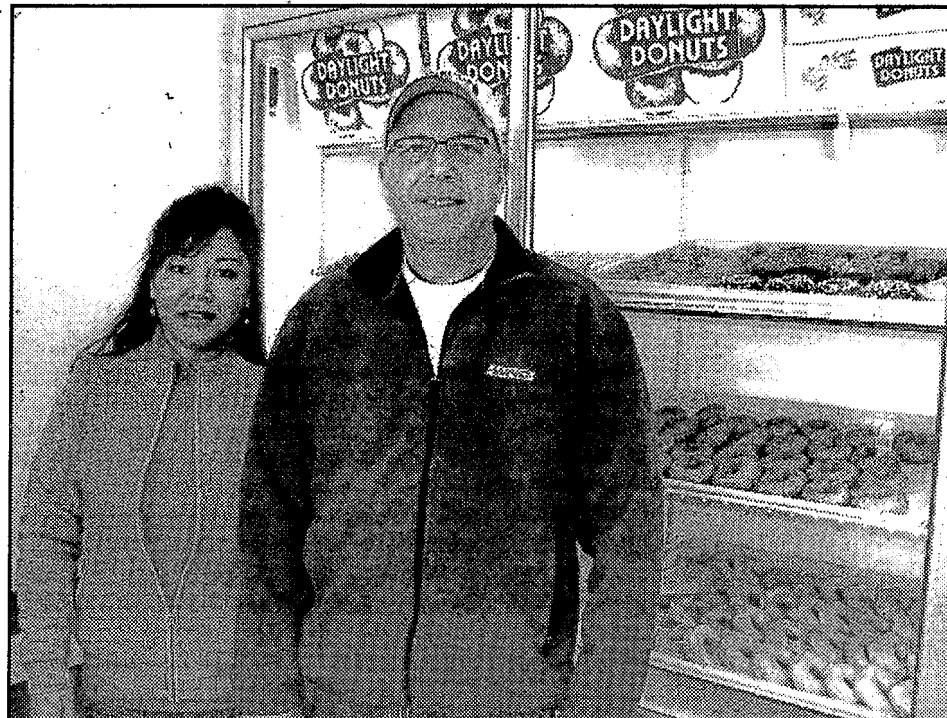
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Jeong-Seon and Ira Elias get up at 3 a.m. every day to make the donuts at their Daylight Donuts shop, 5899 Dixie Highway. Photo by Phil Custodio

Daylight Donuts made fresh everyday

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

After 30 years in the electronics industry, Ira Elias was ready for a change.

"I wanted a business that was fun and something you could do with your family," said Elias, Lake Orion resident since 2004. "Coffee and donuts seemed a no-brainer."

He opened Daylight Donuts, 5899 Dixie Highway, with his wife, Jeong-Seon. They make 50-100 dozen donuts of all sorts on location every morning.

"We get up at 3 a.m. every day," he said. "We make everything on the premises using fresh, high-quality ingredients. The customer comes first – if someone asks for a type of frosting or filling, we'll make it."

He picked the Daylight Donuts company, founded in 1954 in Tulsa, Okla., after more than a year of research into several franchise opportunities.

"I like the company history and business model," he said. "There are 1,000 across the country. This is the first one in Michigan."

As part of his research, he visited shops and talked to owners.

"They told me not to expect a lot of sleep

in the first six months to a year," he said. "It's what you make of it, how hard you want to work."

They also emphasized the importance of location – visibility from the road, and even which side of the road. For Dixie Highway, that means the west side, southbound lanes, to serve morning commuters driving into the Pontiac area, he said.

"That's the breakfast side," he said. "Finding the right side of the road is key."

Daylight Donuts provided an intense, one-week training onsite, as well as ongoing support.

"Everything – how to mix, cook, dress, display," he said. "It's a lot."

He takes pride in the quality of his donuts and coffee, he said.

"It's fantastic – it sells itself," he said.

Plans for the future include several new stores, perhaps in Lake Orion, Auburn Hills, and Waterford.

Grand opening and ribbon cutting with Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is 8-9 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 12.

The shop is open 6 a.m. daily. Call 248-618-3974.

ABC's of asset protection

Accidents, lawsuits, taxes and other financial risks are simply the facts of life. Here are a few basic ways you can protect your assets aside from using insurance.

A is for **ADVICE**. Your first step is to engage professionals. You'll need a variety: legal, tax, and financial. Asset protection should not take place in a vacuum so a multifaceted approach is necessary. Different assets are exposed to different types of risks. Depending on your specific situation, different types of risks require different types of protection be applied at different times. For example, a "qualified disclaimer" can potentially be quite useful in minimizing the portion of your family's wealth that goes to the IRS via the estate tax. Knowing when and how much to disclaim can be very valuable advice.

B is for **BUSINESS**. Your business is your own, not your neighbor's. Conversely, your personal investment account is your own, not your business creditor's. Or is it? Your business creditors may be able to reach your personal assets, and vice versa, especially if you are a sole proprietor. A partnership can be even worse, as your partner's personal creditors may be able to reach partnership assets. Additionally, you may be personally liable for your partner's

professional actions, not just your own. Choice of business type can be instrumental in providing an asset protection element to your financial plan. Certain types of business entities and insurance products not only shield business partners from the business risks discussed; but, may also provide an efficient estate planning strategy.

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A column by
James Kruzan

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2010 was year for cuts, changes

The year 2010 was the year chickens came home to roost for many local government agencies - Clarkston schools cut \$10 million and lost a superintendent, city lost its police department, township almost lost a supervisor, and a wall lost its mural.

January 13

Mum's the word: Independence Trustee Mark Petterson, Supervisor Dave Wagner and Treasurer Curt Carson voted against a new rule for the public to only address the board about one agenda topic during public comment.

January 20

Piper paying time: Clarkston area leaders faced the difficult year ahead of them. Falling revenues were near the top of everyone's 2010 agenda.

February 3

Busted Budget: Clarkston Community Schools planned to cut more for the 2010-2011 fiscal year than the five previous years, planning for \$13 million cut from the budget.

February 10

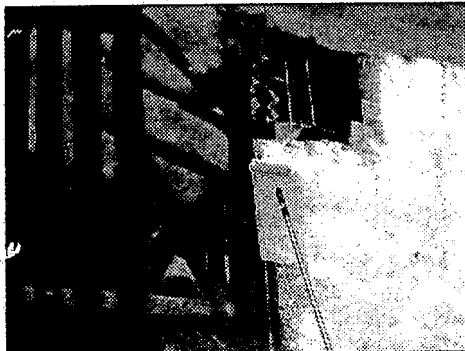
Township layoffs looming: Human Resource Director Carol Gabriel reported seven possible layoffs for Independence Township, but hoped for only three or four. Layoffs were unavoidable due to economic downturns.

February 17

School budget blues: More than 100 layoffs loomed in the reduction plan for Clarkston Community Schools. Most of them included teachers and classroom aides.

February 24

Selling a park millage: Voters were asked



April 28, 2010, the day the 5 S. Main St. mural was no more.

to pony up for the Springfield Township parks during the upcoming summer for a .75 mill.

March 3

Board of Ed's 'official' response: As the time for final cuts approached, Clarkston Board of Education stood behind its decision over the past year - approving pay raises for employees and new programs while, six months later, seeking to slice \$13 million. Unofficially, Trustees Joan Patterson and Rosalie Lieblang weren't so sure.

March 10

'Trust' an issue in Clarkston': Applause and cheers erupted throughout Clarkston Junior High School auditorium as Board of Education Trustee Joan Patterson finished her comment within she pointed out she had asked for two years where the money was coming from.

March 17

Cutting the cuts: Clarkston Community

Schools decided \$13 million in budget cuts was too deep and chose to reduce it down to \$9.7 million.

Superintendent defends spending on new programs: Clarkston schools will have the latest in learning opportunities, no matter what. That was the message from former Superintendent Al Roberts.

April 7

Clarkston loses friend: Long-time village manager Art Pappas passed away on April 3, 2010 at the age of 76.

April 21

Pink slips for 50 teachers: Newly appointed Trustee Elizabeth Egan's first action on the Clarkston Board of Education was breaking a 3-3 tie, promoting two administrators and sending lay-off notices to 50 teachers.

April 28

News riles Roberts: According to Clarkston Community Schools superintendent Al Roberts, the chief responsibility of local schools was to sell houses.

No more Main Street mural: After more than three years, nine months, the north wall of 5 S. Main Street in downtown Clarkston was again blank.

- Continued in next week's edition.

Marie Ovens, 87

Marie Ovens of Clarkston passed away, Dec. 24, 2010, at age 87.

She was preceded in death by her husband John. She was the loving mother of Donna (Terri) Bannerton and Dianne (Ron) Lamm; proud grandmother of Julie, Alex (Carrie), Scott, and Linda; great grandmother of Aiden; and sister of Eugena Puglese.

Marie was born and raised in England. She came to the United States in 1946.

Memorial Service, 12 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 29, at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home - Cremation Services**, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Wednesday, 11 a.m. until the time of service. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Obituaries

Mary A. Stevens, 92

Mary Anna Stevens of Clarkston, formerly of Waterford and Farmington Hills, passed away, Dec. 25, 2010, at age 92.

She was preceded in death by her husband Socrates, "Babe," daughter Donna Jean Daley, and twin brother Joseph Michalak. She was the mother of James (Christine) Stevens of Florida, Katherine Annie (Tom) Rice of Arizona, and Mary Lou (Richard) Bauer of Clarkston; grandmother of 10; great grandmother of 12.

Memorial service will be held at a later date at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Arrangements entrusted to the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home - Cremation Services**, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Mary L. Reed, 79

Mary L. Reed of Waterford passed away, Dec. 22, 2010, at age 79.

She was the wife of John E. Reed for 61 years; preceded in death by her son Thomas E. Reed; mother of Dianne Reed (Dave Chester) of Colorado, Mike Reed of Alpena, Kathy (Dave) Hughes of Colorado, Mary Ann (Doug) Hughes of Colorado, Barbie Reed of Colorado, Fred (Nancy) Reed of California, Tim (Joni) Reed of Cheboygan, and Nancy (Chuck) Runyon of Waterford; grandmother of nine; and great grandmother of two.

Mrs. Reed was a medical assistant with Dr. Kenny in Highland for over 20 years.

Memorial service was Dec. 27 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to American Lung Association. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
DECEMBER 21, 2010

1. The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Hall.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call: Present: Lohmeyer, Petterson, Rosso, Wallace, Carson, Wagner
Absent: VanderVeen

There was a quorum.

4. The Agenda was approved with removal of the Closed Session and moving New Business ahead of Unfinished Business
5. The Public Forum opened at 7:32 p.m. and closed at 7:35 p.m.
6. The Consent Agenda was approved with removal of items (a) Approval of Minutes, (b) Accounts Payable Check Run, (c) Approval of 2011 Township Board Meeting Schedule, and (h) Review of 2011 Depositories.
7. Approved 2011 Sheriff's Contract with Oakland County.
8. Approved bid award for the interior lighting contract for the Independence Township DPW building, Library and Fire Station #2 to Midwest Illumination at a cost not to exceed \$58,167.00.
9. Approved bid award for building envelope improvements to the DPW building to Overhead Doors West at a cost not to exceed \$12,120.00 for insulated entry and overhead doors, and System Corporation at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.00 for low leakage dampers.
10. Authorized Linda Richardson to sign the lighting and building envelope contracts as the authorized Project Manager for the Green Triangle EECBG Grant Project.
11. Motion failed to approve Spectrum Printing for printing the Winter/Spring Recreation Guide.
12. Approved PrintComm for printing the Winter/Spring Recreation Guide
13. Approved 2011 CIA budget as presented and distributed by Mr. Carlisle and Forrest Milzow as President of the CIA.
14. Motion failed to amend the 2011 Budget.
15. Approved 2010 Budget adjustment to increase Street Lighting \$26,500.00.
16. Minutes of November 9, 2010 were not approved and are to be resubmitted containing more detailed discussion with regard to the water and sewer rates.
17. Minutes of November 16, 2010 were approved.
18. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run.
19. Approved Township Board Meeting Schedule for the first two meetings in January, with the balance of the schedule to be discussed and agreed to at one of those meetings.
20. Approved 2011 Depositories.
19. Meeting Adjourned at 10:51 p.m. Published: 12/29/2010

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2010-333, 617-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CIRCUIT COURT-FAMILY DIVISION
PUBLICATION NOTICE AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

In the matter of Shirley J. McIntosh Shuran
TO ALL CREDITORS AND/OR INTERESTED PERSONS Including:

Nicole Lloyd
Mikisha McIntosh whose address(es) are unknown and whose interested in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on January 5, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. at 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac, MI 48341 before a Judge Linda S. Hartmark for the following purpose(s):

Petition for Probate and/or Appointment of Personal Representative, Testimony Interested Persons, Acceptance of Appointment, Notice of Appointment, appointment and Duties of Personal Representative, Notice Regarding Attorney Fees.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Shirley J. McIntosh Shuran, who lived at 6535 Leytonstone, West Bloomfield, Michigan died February 15, 2010.

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

ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P-24924
2745 Pontiac Lake Road
Waterford, Michigan 48328
(248) 682-8800

Cindy Cook
1065 Collier Rd.
Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Aids and service are available, upon reasonable request to individuals with disabilities - please contact the court prior to the hearing if you would like these accommodations.

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

Estate of Sarah Jane Beaubien. Date of birth: 10-15-1918

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Sarah Jane Beaubien, who lived at 3712 Acadia, Lake Orion, Michigan died 10/31/2010.

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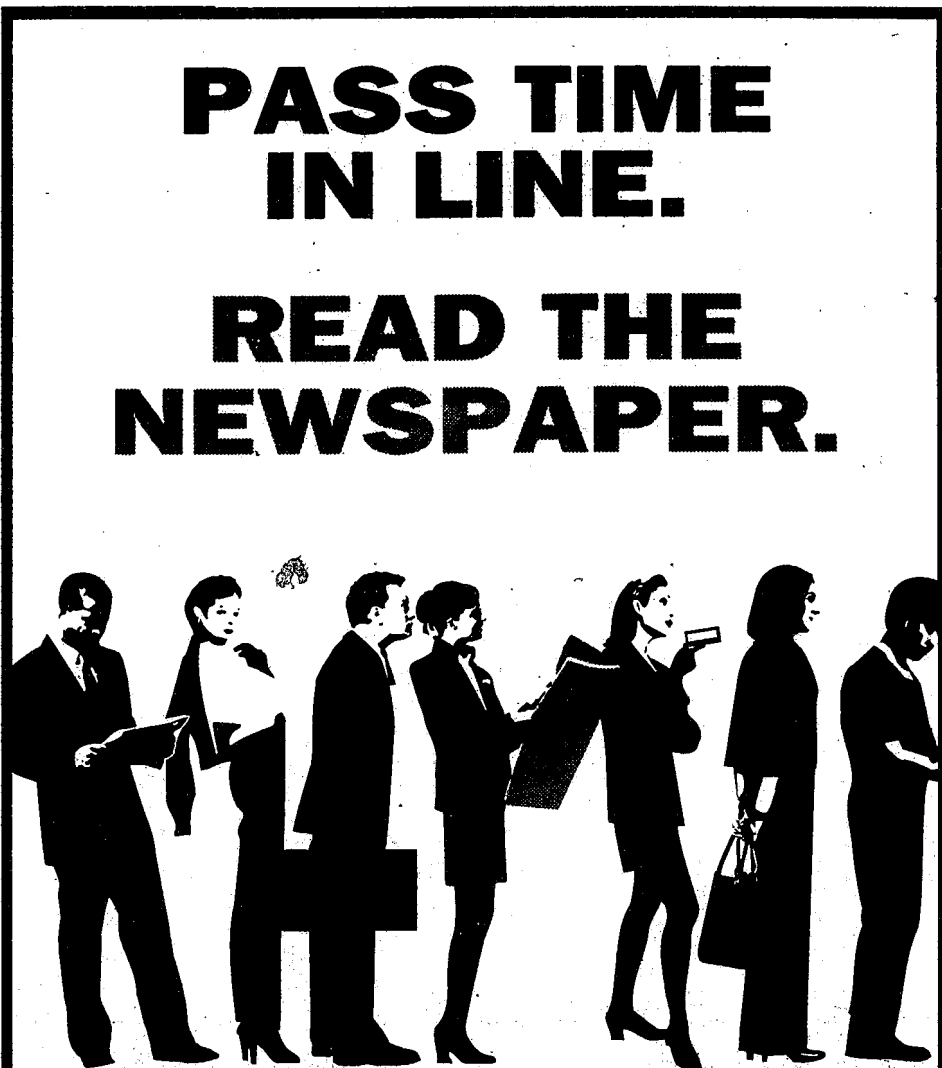
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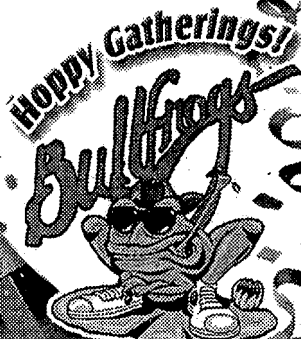
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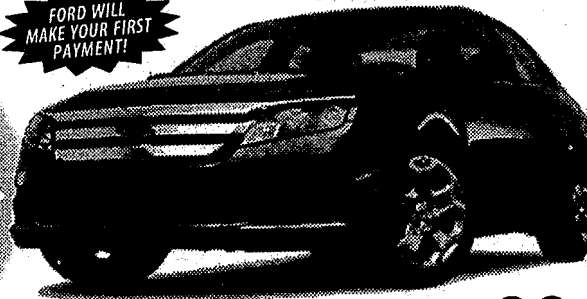


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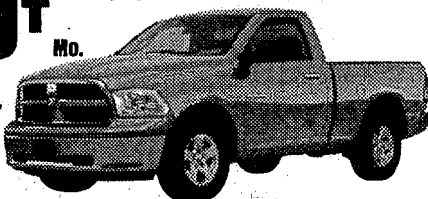


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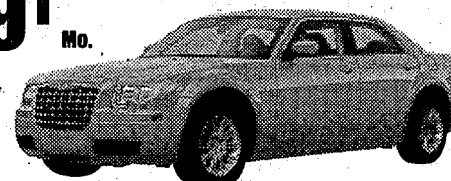
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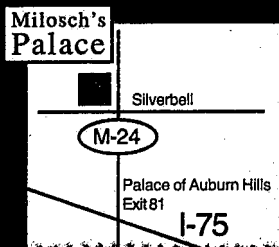


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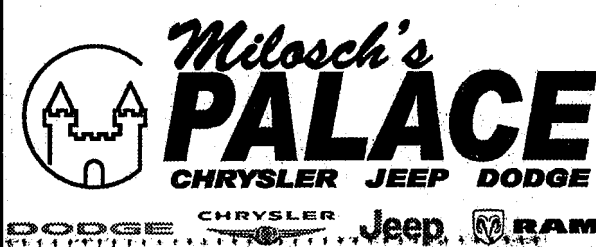


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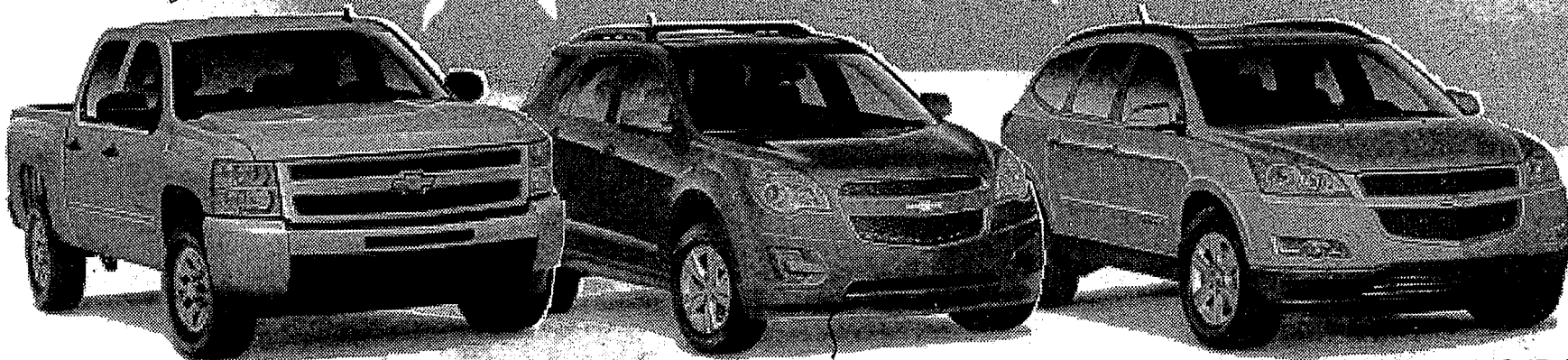
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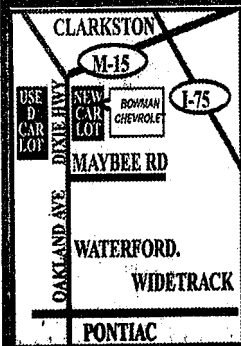
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