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Trees for Sashabaw

First project OK'd in corridor plan

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

More than four years after the Sashabaw Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA) was approved, Independence Township has finally put plans in motion.

"You have to study things and plan things before you can do things said Trustee Neil Wallace at the Dec. 21 meeting. "I guess it's time that we got them to do something."

The Township Board approved \$153,650 for Sashabaw landscaping between Waldon and Maybee roads, on a 6-0 vote. Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen was absent.

"That won't cover everything," said Trustee David Lohmeier.

The authority expects to collect \$532,500 through 2011 in Tax Increment Financing funds.

When the township approved the plan in May 2006, it included 15 projects to rebuild sewer and power lines, construct bridges at I-75 and Maybee, widen Sashabaw, and other work.

That plan was narrowed to include: widen the bridge over I-75, widen Sashabaw Road north of I-75, and beautify Sashabaw from Clarkston to Maybee.

Please see Sashabaw on page 10A



Clarkston High School drummers, along with the rest of the marching band, parade past The Ritz London, New Year's Day. Photo provided by New Year's Parade - London



From left, Kari Wagner, Lindsay Banasch, Cassandra Barron mark the arrival of 2011 at Fountain's New Year's celebration. Photo by Trevor Keiser

Marking the New Year

Clarkston High School Marching Band members celebrated the New Year on Greenwich Mean Time, in London, England, counting down to midnight five hours before family and friends in Clarkston.

The next day, they joined more than 10,000 performers representing 20 countries worldwide for the 2011 New Year's Day Parade in London.

More than half a million people watched the invitation-only parade as it marched its two-mile route from Piccadilly to Parliament Street via Trafalgar Square. Back home, folks celebrated at local nightspots and parties, at home watching TV, or just with a good night's sleep.

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Making a catch on the Mill Pond ice, on page 4A

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Local, national politics throughout 2010

Politics spiced up 2010 with local and national issues. Tea Party groups popped up to take on national issues, while locally, city council and school board seats were in play.

May 5

Palin rallies Clarkston conservatives: Sarah Palin was the keynote speaker at the American Dream Summit, held at Mount Zion Church.

May 12

School layoffs now list 111: Clarkston Board of Education approved a lay-off list of 58 more school employees, for a total of 111 teachers and staff facing layoff in the summer. They also approved to cut \$10 million from the budget.

May 19

City police a ballot issue - sort of: Clarkston put forward a ballot issue to amend the city's charter, allowing millage increase from 15-20 mills, which would have collected about \$220,000. Officials said it would have funded its police department.

May 26

Superintendent Roberts retiring: Superintendent Al Roberts announced he was retiring from Clarkston Community Schools effective July 1.

Tea time in town: Both "Independent Tea Party Patriots" and "Saving America" tea



Pat Ruelle makes his views known at a Tea Party rally in Depot Park this past May. File photo

party movement held events in town encouraging citizens to "get off their couch and make their voice be heard."

June 9

Graduation grants heartfelt wish: Clarkston High School's 592 graduates walked down the aisle at DTE to collect their well-earned diplomas.

June 16

Superintendent search is on: Dave Reschke was made interim superintendent for Clarkston schools as the district searched

for a new chief administrator.

June 30

Roberts hired out of state: A suburban Chicago school district hired retiring former Clarkston Superintendent Al Roberts.

Independence Township recall group surrenders to time clock: After nine months of effort and with deadlines approaching, recall activists decided to "reluctantly suspend the recall" of Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner.

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Briefly

New Year's baby

Looks like this year's *Clarkston News* New Year's baby had an early morning birth—a reader reported an eligible baby born at 1:59 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2011.

Might be a lock, but just in case, we'll give until the end of the week to see if anyone arrived earlier. The contest is open to all residents of Clarkston, Independence Township, and Springfield Township.

Call us as soon as possible at 248-625-3370, stop in at 5 S. Main Street, or email Clarkstonnews@gmail.com.

Coffee Club returns

With the holidays behind us, *Clarkston News* Coffee Club starts up again this week. Open to all local business folks, the club meets Thursdays, 7:30 a.m., at Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road.

Nuview program

Nuview Nutrition of Clarkston offers a way to reduce risk of coronary artery disease, stroke, and type 2 diabetes.

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Tanks for (mostly) nothing

Grants fund firefighter gear, tornado sirens

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Springfield Township firefighters can breathe easier, thanks to a federal grant.

The township bought 20 new air-tank systems, each with mask and extra tank, with a \$114,000 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The township's share was 5 percent, \$5,700.

"I think they're great," said Sgt. 2 Matt Strickland, Springfield Township Fire Department. "It's nice to have good packs with better technology."

The Scott Rit-Pak II, Self Contained Breathing Apparatus systems replace packs purchased over the years from four manufacturers. A shortage of masks also meant firefighters had to share them. With the grant purchase, each of the department's 31 firefighters has their own mask.

"They're used anytime there might be a contaminated atmosphere or suspected contamination," said Chief Charlie Oaks. "In the old days, you'd go in holding your breath as long as you could, then run out, or use a carbon canister."

Oaks applied for the grant in 2009.

"He applies for them every year—he does a great job, working to identify needs," said township Supervisor Mike Trout. "The breathing devices are amazing. It's great to have this stuff."

Each air pack has a transmitter, sending a signal to a tracking device monitored by RIT firefighters, Rapid Intervention Team. If firefighters get in trouble inside a burning building, the transmitter automatically sends a signal, and the team can use the tracker to find them.



Springfield Township Fire Chief Charlie Oaks and Sgt. 2 Matt Strickland, right, show off a new tracker unit to Supervisor Mike Trout. Photo by Phil Custodio

"It's state of the art," Trout said.

The new air tanks can hold more air, 45 minutes of it versus the old tanks' 30-minute supply.

With the grant, the department also purchased two packs equipped with a second mask, for if a firefighter's mask is damaged or out of air, or to rescue a victim inside a burning building.

Firefighters will be trained and ready to use the new packs within a couple weeks, Oaks said.

"We're really committed to firefighter safety and serving residents," Trout said. "This is a real value to the township."

"It's federal tax money—we all pay for it,"

Oaks said. "But if our community doesn't get it, someone else's will."

The township also purchased three new tornado sirens, using another grant for \$75,000. Oakland County paid the five-percent local share, Trout said.

"No cost to Springfield Township," he said.

The new sirens, installed at Ormond and Shaffer roads, Knox and Bridge Lake roads, and Melissa Lane and Rattalee Lake Road, brings the township's total to eight. They should be operational by next month.

"We're covered pretty well," Trout said.

"They help fill in the rest of the township," Oaks said.

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Craig (Yogi) Richardson sits with hopes of catching a big one.

'Gone to go fishin'

After visiting Texas where the tempera-
ture neared 110 degrees, Duncan Misiak
was glad to be home where he could en-
joy some winter fun with his fishing pole

on Mill Pond, Dec. 27.

Also out on the ice hoping to catch
some dinner was Craig (Yogi) Richardson
and Joel North.

Photo story by Trevor Keiser



Duncan Misiak, 10, and his little sister Ellie, 7, sit and wait for a bite.



Joel North drills a new hole.



Duncan gets a catch.

Coffee Clubs

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at Brandon Township Library

Fridays in Lake Orion at Culver's Restaurant on M-24

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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

New Year's predictions

Here it is – another year. Complete with renewed hope for the future, a new outlook on goals, and continuous growth of ideas.

With the beginning of something new, some predictions. Some so crazy, they might actually happen.

Let's hit sports first, since the Detroit Lions finished their season with four consecutive wins (good job guys), why not 17 consecutive wins for the 2011 season before losing in the division playoffs. Yes, turning around the nasty 0-16 from 2008 to 17-1 three years later. And just to throw everyone off, they lose the pre-season games.

Next, as an effort to make more money – Independence Township, Springfield Township and Clarkston become the prime area for movie and TV shows.

Even spinning a few shows, like "Downtown Blue," a show about a small-town police station and the employees. The producers bring back our Clarkston Police to help them create an accurate picture of downtown police life.

Mixing in the sitcoms and dramas based on housewives, occupations or high school clubs, a new show, based on the going-ons of Depot Park or the retail shops.

Third prediction (or wish), coming off of Independence Township Board's limit on citizens' public comment. The board makes rules to limit themselves – no repeating what previous members just said.

Also, they include a few Robert's Rules, a key one "no member can speak twice to the same issue until everyone else wishing to speak has spoken to it once. Board members are limited three minutes per agenda topic – unless they are clarifying a point." The motion passes 3-1, since only four are needed to hold a meeting.

Just call me Nostradoubleu.

Realistically, 2011 will be an interesting year to watch. Michigan has a new governor. Clarkston Community Schools continues to feel the waves of Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock, guided by learning with the Wolf spirit. So far, he's walking the talk, going to games, events, and shopping downtown.



A win for government secrecy; loss for liberty

Those in government who seek to hide what they say and do from the public won a significant victory last week.

Those who seek to expose wrongdoing, corruption and waste in government suffered a momentous defeat.

In a 4-3 vote Dec. 29, the Michigan Supreme Court denied leave to appeal in a key case concerning the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

The case involved a citizen's FOIA request to review e-mails sent by school employees on the Howell school district's e-mail system. In January 2010, the Michigan Court of Appeals denied the request. The ruling was subsequently appealed to the state Supreme Court.

We are amazed that an institution designed to interpret the law and protect the rights of citizens chose to take a pass on hearing this vital case.

Exactly what are we paying these justices to do? We realize many judges are just lazy or unsuccessful lawyers looking to collect a steady paycheck, but this is ridiculous.

Everyone from journalists to average citizens routinely use FOIA as their primary weapon in the never-ending struggle to keep government open, honest and accountable.

The Supreme Court's indifference in this

case coupled with the Court of Appeals' original ruling has effectively replaced the people's sword of freedom with a dinky cap gun.

We can still make a lot of noise, but we won't actually hit our targets.

We're not judges nor are we lawyers, but we do know that e-mails sent by public employees over a computer system paid for by the taxpayers are by no means private and they should never be classified as such.

We the people bought the computers. We the people pay for the operation and maintenance of them.

We the people have a right to see whatever government employees put on those computers or use that system for.

Case closed. If government employees don't want people to read what they're writing, let them use their private e-mail accounts and their personal computers to communicate. And let them do it on their own time.

Shame on the Court of Appeals for its ignorant and dangerous ruling.

Shame on the state Supreme Court for just sitting on its hands as citizens get stripped of their rights.

Who needs to worry about terrorists or the Chinese depriving us of our liberties, when our own court system seems content to do the job for them.

Editorial

Thanks for kindness to family in need

Dear Editor,

On Dec. 6, 2010, I lost my best friend and soul mate, John Jasso. The father of my three children and my husband of 14 years was taken from me with a rapid and unforeseen illness I still don't understand, just hours before his 35th birthday.

It was the darkest time in my life and I was certain my family would never recover. How? How would we ever manage without him? Within a short period, I quickly learned John didn't leave us alone. He left us with a gift I never knew was there. He left us with you.

The warmth you, my new extended family, have showered down on us has lifted my spirits to unimaginable heights. You have moved me in a way that words simply cannot describe.

Each of you has stepped up into a role you didn't have to take and have been nothing less than kind, giving, compassionate, generous and devoted. You did this happily while sharing our tears and holding us with open arms. Never questioning if you should.

I wish I could thank each of you personally for giving me the courage to move forward. Alas, some of you have remained anonymous and I will never know your face. However, I hope you do know I feel your kindness. I know you are out there sharing our pain and feeling our healing.

My sons, Johnny, Jacob and Joshua and I know that we are not alone in our uphill journey without John. We have a new hope. We have a support system that reaches beyond what our fingers can grasp. We have what can only be described as love. Love from all of you to each of us.

I am filled with a light stronger than the power of a million suns. I have you to thank for that.

You all have given me a strength I didn't know I was capable of. I am confident that together with old familiar friends and the new family we now have, we will carry on.

Thank you. So very much.

Sian Jasso
Independence Township

A Look Back From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1996

"Virginia teens are sent home"
Two Roanoke teens were charged with breaking into cars along Clarkston Road and stealing stereo equipment. Their mothers drove up from Virginia in a snowstorm so they could be in court with their children.

"Ski patrol depends on volunteers"
Dan Stencil and Jim Meloche recruited and trained volunteers as Nordic Ski Patrol at Independence Oaks County Park. The volunteers helped clear and supervise ski trails, and in search-and-rescue.

"Students raise issues of their own" Emily Flores and Michael Gay organized the Clarkston High School Committee for the Advancement of Students Issues. A big issue was graduation requirements, which limited opportunities for electives such as computers and foreign language.

25 years ago - 1986

"CHS gym opens after 3 months of repairs" Students and bouncing balls replaced workers and sawdust in the gym. A buckling floor put the gym out of commission for three months, as workers tore up and replaced it.

"Russian is proud to be American"
Lubomyr Hewko fled the Soviet Union when he was 14 years old, near the end of World War II, moving to Independence Township with his family in 1979. He found America's opportunity to be unlimited for him and his children.

"The Thinker" The holiday break and a sunny day drew fisherman Jim Francis all the way from St. Clair Shores to Clarkston's Mill Pond. He said the fish were biting.

50 years ago - 1961

"Township primaries excite interest" Running for supervisor were Democrats Duane Hursfall, incumbent, and Carl Golding. Running for clerk were Republicans Harold Doebler and Howard Altman. Democrats Kenneth Johnson ran against Mrs. Marion Frankenfield for treasurer.

"New type of embroidery shown"
Mrs. Landis demonstrated how to do liquid embroidery for the Gay Twenties Extension Club at the Community Center.

"Clarkston locals" Mr. and Mrs. Ed Collick took their daughter, Sharon, and her friend, Lucy Oakley, back to Albion, where they were to resume their studies as Freshmen.

A call to make voices heard in township

Dear Editor,

Residents of Independence Township, I encourage you to take one hour of your valuable time to attend an Independence Township Board Meeting in 2011.

I know meetings last longer than one hour but each meeting has time for public comments near the beginning. Arrive at 7:30 p.m. in time for the Pledge of Allegiance and then get in line to express yourself.

Share your thoughts about what is right or wrong with your local government. Our representatives need to hear from you.

After the public comments, leave and return home

First good idea cutdown before it was born

Everyone is a genius at least once a year. The real geniuses simply have their bright ideas closer together.

-- Georg Christoph Lichtenberg

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So there I was, leaning up at the counter, all suave and debonair reading the daily newspaper with my finely honed sense of delivery and wisecrackery for the front office chicks. (It's a daily morning ritual that should take about 20 minutes, but that I can complete in about two.)

A headline caught my attention, something to the effect that gas would cost five smackin' frackin' dollars a gallon by 2012 (and in case you haven't noticed, that's less than 12 months away). And, what usually happens happened. My cool and concise delivery of the daily news from yesterday turned into a diatribe of high-pitched rants.

"I hate the blah-dee-dee-da-ing oil companies," I think I said. (Sometimes when I get onto a really good roll, I lose contact with reality and go into some cantankerous trancelike state-of-consciousness. When I awake I only have vague recollections of what I have done. Sorta like Lawrence Talbot, I guess. You've heard of werewolves, I guess when the moon is right, I become a were-writer, but I digress.)

One of the front office chicks said something like, "Yeah, you never read about them not making a profit."

Then another front office chick said, "I hate insurance companies, too. They never lose money."

"And don't forget politicians," chimed another.

And, through the fog of crotchiness, a little light started to glow. The light of a wonderful idea, like a beacon showing me the way o're rough water to safe harbor was calling. Slowly, slowly, my mind started to clear. I was onto something. Something to make us all wealthy (and when I say "us" I don't mean "you." The "us" I refer to are myself and the front office chicks. Sorry.)

"Ladies," I intoned, "I have a great idea. Two thousand and eleven is gonna' be our year."

They all looked up from whatever they were doing (I really don't know, because it's their job, not mine so I don't care).

"I wanna' start The Hate Club."

Their lips turned up in smiles.

to your family. Use the local cable channel or online at ClarkstonTV.com to view the parts of the meeting that interest you most.

You don't need to attend every meeting. Check out the agenda online. Make a resolution to attend two meetings during 2011.

How great would it be to see a line of citizens willing to share their views on the first and third Tuesdays of each month? Thomas Paine once said: "Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom, like men, must undergo the fatigue of supporting it."

*Rick Gutowski
Independence Township*

"We can have a webpage, social network site, sell tee-shirts, coffee cups, 'fridge magnets, and frilly ladies underwear all with the words, *Hate Club* or *I'm a Hater* or *Hate Club Charter Member* emblazoned across them. People can post their 'hates.' We can actually be doing a service to the community, the country and the world. We can let them vent constructively as members of The Hate Club, get it out of their systems before they act on their feelings."

**Don't
Rush Me**



**A column by
Don Rush**

I think I actually saw dollar signs dance across their eyes.

Wow! Things were looking up, so I finished delivering commentary on the A section of the paper. Sports held no interest to me, as I was still basking in the warm glow of the brilliant idea I had just hatched. Then I got to the section of the paper with the Dear Abby column, crossword puzzles and horoscope.

Dear Abby had to respond to some bizarro-world-of-family-business-sharing, the crossword puzzle was put aside for the former publisher and I delved into the horoscopes.

And here's where things went into the crapper.

I read my horoscope, and I quote:

Aquarius -- Getting in a few digs about people you dislike might make you feel vindicated, but it will do nothing for your image in the eyes of your audience, especially if your comments are unfair.

In other words I couldn't be negative, even for a profit. I think hate would be construed a negative.

In the span of about 10 broadsheet pages of newsprint, my genius was shot down. Dead. I could no more deny my horoscope than I could deny a jelly donut. Such is my destiny.

The Hate Club died there, cold and alone. One of the girls blew her nose. I heard some sobbing from another front office chick and another excused herself for a "powder."

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Oh, and who is Georg Christoph Lichtenberg? He was a German from the 1700's. One of 17 children, he was also a hunchback, scientist, satirist and would-be philosopher.

Let's get rid of 2010, and welcome twenty eleven

First the dark, then the light.

Perhaps the most disturbing thing I read last year was the message retired Air Force Major Rick Briggs delivered at the Veterans Memorial in Lake Orion on Memorial Day.

He said, "When more men and women (of the military) have committed suicide than have been killed in combat, something is wrong."

Briggs is program director for a project dubbed "Invisible Wounds." He added, "The divorce rate is going through the roof, our prisons are filled with veterans who are having difficulty coping with the stresses and the traumatic brain injuries of war."

So sad.

But then there was this totally warming experience. Daughter Luan provided Christmas dinner for her husband's family, the Offers.

That included nephew Tim, his wife Ann (Hubbard) Offer and their 7-month old Aliva. To watch them on the floor with their baby . . . tickling, cooing and snuggling . . . was heart warming to the nth degree. Pure love.

Ten years ago my Hazel would often leave our house at 8 each morning, go play with the baby twin grandchildren for an hour, then go to work. I remarked about their toying. She said to me, "You're so big. You have to get down to their level."

Tim and Ann obviously know that. Great joy.

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Now the stuff I want to be remembered for . . . nonsense.

I got a belly ache between the holidays. I concluded I'd eaten some bad tuna salad. When I eat tuna salad, I put some on the end of a fork and eat it. Then I do the same for ma'dog Shayna. She loves tuna salad. This day Shayna sniffed it, and turned her head. Why do I sometimes call this lifesaving dog stupid?

Five football players for Ohio State will not play for the Buckeyes the first five games of the 2011 season. They broke

some rules. However, they were allowed play in this year's bowl game.

"They didn't receive adequate rules during the time period," NCAA said. As usual, it's all about the money. Can't have

the Sugar Bowl without Terrell Pryor, etc.

Now, let's see, what rule does this teach?

• Why do so many people cringe when I tell them I had a beef tongue sandwich for lunch? It may be the tenderest, sweetest meat on the hoof.

Isn't it great that old actors like Andy Griffith and Fred Thompson can still find employment doing commercials?

Our Surgeon General says cigarettes can kill us. So, why, why aren't they outlawed? Oh, yeah. The money (taxes) thing.

Why does our government leave it up to us to quit smoking, but outlaws our nice, round light bulbs in favor of some twisty congressionally mandated bulbs? *Detroit News* columnist Nolan Finley will have nothing to do with these slow reacting emitters. He figures he's got 30 years to live, so he's hoarding 1,000 bulbs. I'm older and will settle for 100.

I don't know why this came to me recently. I guess I was watching an animal show. For a while in 1946 I was confined to the veterans hospital in Dearborn. Another veteran, a former circus clown, was in our ward. He told us he'd been involved with elephants in a circus, and what he did to ready them for a parade. He'd make them stand on their hind legs and until relief came. I liked it better when I saw the shovellers trailing the elephants.

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Return for more nonsense next week.



**Jim's
Jottings**
a column by
Jim Sherman

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SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD

The Springfield Township Board will hold its regular meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at the CIVIC CENTER, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350, as follows:

January 13	July 14
February 10	August 11
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April 14	October 13
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The Planning Commission will hold its regular meetings, if required, on the 3rd Monday of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350, as follows:

January 17	July 18
February 21	August 15
March 21	September 19
April 18	October 17
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January 19	July 20
February 16	August 17
March 16	September 21
April 20	October 19
May 18	November 16
June 15	December 21

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January 18	July 19
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March 15	September 20
April 19	October 18
May 17	November 15
June 21	December 20

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Laura Moreau, Clerk
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Fall brings school, police changes

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August 4

And the results are...: Clarkston voters rejected the 5 mill increase to save the police by eight votes, 203 to 195.

September 8

End of an era: When the clock turned 11 p.m. on Friday, Clarkston Police Chief Dale LaCroix, Officer Jim Thompson, and a small crowd of well wishers raised their beers and toasted to a chapter closing in Clarkston.

September 15

Rock on!: A visit to Saginaw sealed the deal for school board members, selecting Dr. Rod Rock as Clarkston's new superintendent.

September 22

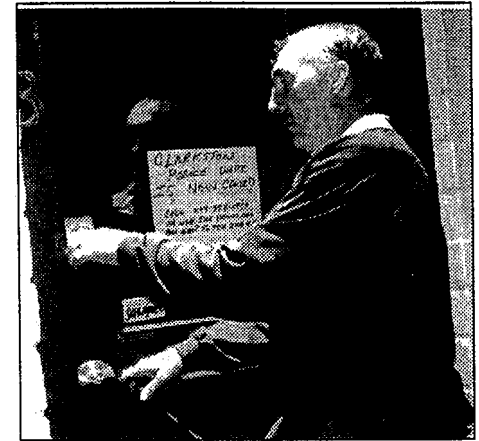
Optimists rescue Friendly Forest: Cut from last year's Independence Township Parks and Recreation schedule, the Halloween-themed Friendly Forest returned with the help of Clarkston Area Optimists Club.

October 6

Pro-life protest peaceful on Sashabaw: More than 150 stood on Sashabaw Road during a Lifechain, organized by 40 Days for Life, in protest of a newly opened abortion clinic.

October 13

Queen of the field: Homecoming Queen Bri Fox, King Ryan Catalano, and the rest of the court were honored at halftime at the Wolves' football game.



Clarkston Police Chief Dale LaCroix locks up for the last time, this past September. File photo

November 3

Bisio wins in close vote: A razor thin margin sent write-in candidate Richard Bisio to Clarkston City Council, joining incumbents Charles Inabnit and Peg Roth.

December 22

Rotary helps 510 kids with community's help: Clarkston Rotary Club provided new shoes, boots, hats, and gloves to 510 Clarkston schools students, with the help of the community, with its Goodfellow newspaper sale and Shoes for Kids.

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Electronic theft

More than \$1,000 was withdrawn electronically without permission from an Independence Township resident's checking account, Dec. 20. The resident had taken a computer in for repair to two electronics shops, Dec. 7 and Dec. 9.

Hit and run

Independence Township deputies tracked down a hit-and-run suspect to the 6000 block of Amy Drive, 10:43 p.m., Dec. 20. The suspect, a 35-year-old Independence Township man, denied hitting any other vehicle. With damage to the front of his car, however, he later admitted it. He had a .135 preliminary breath test, and was arrested for drunk driving, third offence.

House fire

A neighbor reported a house on fire in the 5000 block of Hummingbird Lane, 7:39 p.m., Dec. 25. Independence Township firefighters put it out. No one was injured, including the pet dog.

Burglary

Someone took a camera, radios, and camcorder from a Mann Road home, Dec. 23. A side door was unlocked, as there had never been a problem before, residents told police.

Stolen jeep

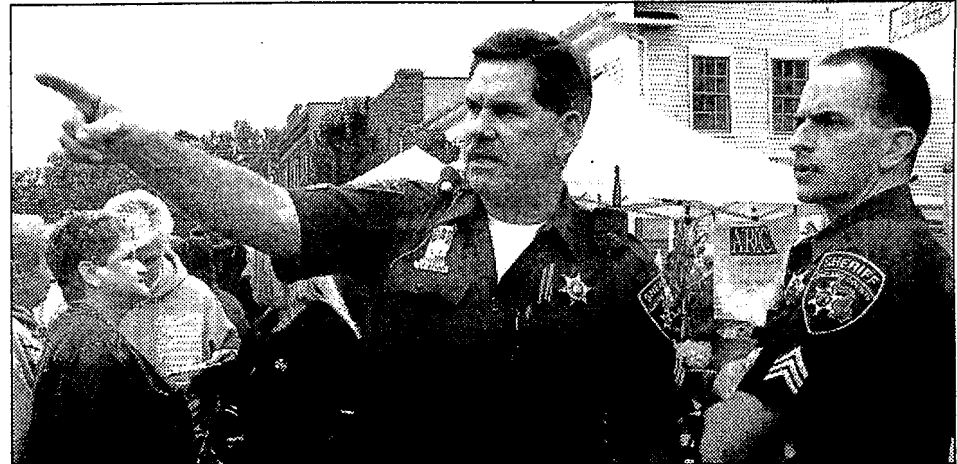
A suspicious jeep appeared in a Parview Drive parking lot, Dec. 24. The vehicle, with a punched-out ignition, was reported stolen out of Waterford Township.

Theft from car

Someone broke through the back window of a Second Street home, Dec. 27, and took a laptop computer and jewelry.

'Gucci' stole her iPod

A 17-year-old Independence Township girl hosted a 20-year-old Commerce Township man and a teenager thought to be of Pontiac and known only by his street name, "Gucci," at her house, 2:35 p.m., Dec. 27. Listening to music on her new iPod, Gucci ran out the door with the music device.



Changing of the guard in 2010

Oakland County Sheriff's deputies took over law enforcement for Clarkston in 2010, in the wake of the dissolution of Clarkston Police Department for budget reasons. Here, Sgt. Paul Bidinger and Sgt. Darrin Ofiara patrol Taste of Clarkston. *File photo*

Suspicious shopper

An employee found a female customer hiding in a non-public bathroom of a Dixie Highway store, 7 p.m., Dec. 28. Asked to check her coat, the woman fled, leaving behind a roll of clear tape in a pocket. Last November, someone taped a backdoor lock open, which was used in an after-hours burglary.

Checking for easy access

An Independence Township resident reported four men walking down Fenwick Place, 2:31 a.m., Dec. 29, looking for unlocked car doors and trying to open the door to a house. Deputies searched but didn't find them.

- Reports compiled by Phil Custodio

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Tree canopy set for Sashabaw

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The original project was to cost about \$16 million, about \$4 million from the county. It was scaled down to about \$3.8 million, with \$1.2 million from the county for all three plans.

Local consultant Jim Eppink worked on the project along with township planner Dick Carlisle of Carlisle and Wortman Associates.

Eppink said landscaping would include trees down both sides of Sashabaw, as well as evergreens, flowering trees, shrubs, and perennials in median islands. It also includes stone walls and columns at Bowpointe Drive, and Clarkston and Maybee Roads.

"The larger, straight trees are meant to establish a nice canopy, the smaller flowering trees are meant to give some seasonal color, and the evergreens will add some beauty and stability throughout the whole year," Eppink said. "Really it's a complete enhancement project for the whole corridor."

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Clarkston patriotism on display

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

With a name like "Independence," township residents have always taken patriotism seriously. Clarkston Heritage Museum's latest exhibit shows how much.

"People expressed love of country in everyday objects," said Kelly Kolhagen, Clarkston Community Historical Society. "The spirit of patriotism permeated nearly every facet of early American life, from festive Fourth of July parades to children's toys to the Christmas tree."

The society sponsors "Clarkston Salutes: Patriotism & Parades" in Clarkston Heritage Museum.

The exhibit, which runs through May, includes historic photos and artifacts celebrating the Clarkston area's patriotism and its ability to put on a great parade.

"Clarkston has a long reputation as a parade town, but most people don't realize how far back it goes," said Toni Smith, Clarkston Heritage Museum director.

Other items in the exhibit include



Artifacts on display in the Clarkston Salutes: Patriotism & Parades exhibit. Photo provide by John Meyland

an 1880 Clarkston Silver Coronet Band uniform worn by Butler Holcomb and an 1839 Independence Township Registry of Male Voters. American women did not have a Constitutional right to vote until the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920, Kolhagen said.

The star of the exhibit is an 1873 Fourth of July celebration broadside poster. Originally designed to be pasted on the side of a building, the six-foot-high broadside was donated to the historical society last year by Dorothy Smith, who found it while moving after her husband Ray died. Ray was a 1945 Clarkston graduate and relative of Samuel W. Smith, orator and reader at Clarkston 1873 Fourth of July celebration (also see "Patriotic piece of local history restored," page 1B, July 7, 2010).

The poster was professionally restored and framed to preserve it for future generations, Kolhagen said.

"For anyone interested in history, the poster is an absolute jewel – a masterpiece – and this is the first time it has been on display to the public," Smith said.

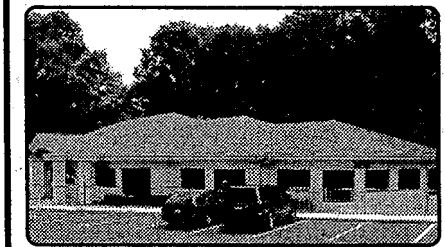
The Clarkston Heritage Museum, located in the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, is open during regular library hours. Call 248-922-0270 for more information.



Toni Smith, director of Clarkston Heritage Museum, with the centerpiece of a new museum exhibit, a July 4 celebration broadsheet from 1873. Photo by Phil Custodio



A horse-drawn carriage turns onto Church Street in a vintage photo labeled "And still they came, Masonic O.E.S. Carnival," Aug. 26, 1922, on display at the museum.



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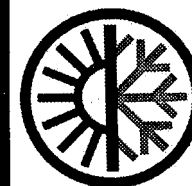
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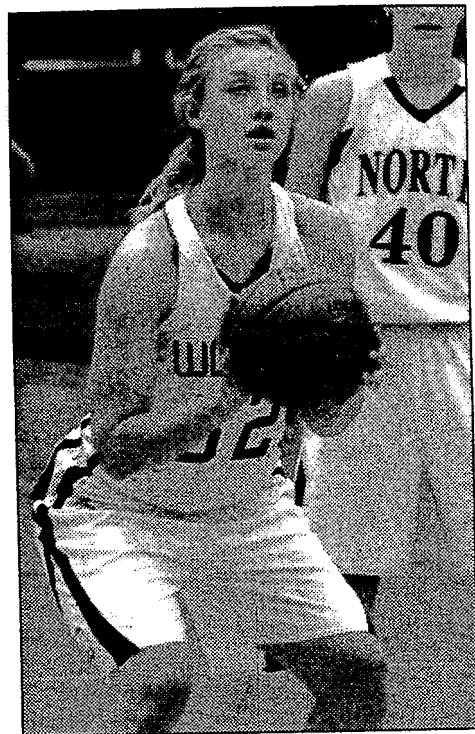
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Lady Wolves aim to add more wins in New Year



Christina Jokisch aims for her free throw shot. Photo by Wendi Reardon

BY WENDIREARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Erin Davenport kept a close watch over North Farmington's Holly Snabes as the Lady Falcons passed the ball around Clarkston's defense on Dec. 21.

Snabes caught a throw from her teammates and Davenport closed in, stealing the ball in one swift movement.

Davenport ran down the middle of Clarkston's basketball court with North Farmington cagers chasing behind her. As they closed in she took her shot, adding two points to the score in the second quarter.

But the Lady Wolves finished the game with a loss in their OAA Red game, 36-33.

"We played pretty well for three quarters," said Tim Wasilk, Lady Wolves Varsity Basketball Coach. "We were handling their traps very well. Then, the fourth quarter they turned up the heat a little bit on us with a full court press and we had a couple of turnovers early."

The Lady Wolves went into the last quarter, leading 29-21. North Farmington quickly gained control on the scoreboard, outscoring Clarkston 15-4.

"We had opportunities and had shots in

the fourth but we didn't knock any shots down, which was kind of tough," added Wasilk. "We were rattled a little bit so we have to do a better job at keeping our composure."

Christina Jokisch opened the game with a basket at the 1:35 minute mark into the first quarter. Delaney Kenny followed with another two points.

By the end of the first quarter Kenny added a five points, scoring on a field goal and going 2-for-2 at the line. Jokisch added a basket to aid the girls in the 10-4 lead.

North Farmington gained some edge at the beginning of the second quarter with a 3-pointer from Snabes.

Clarkston defense guarded tightly on the Lady Raiders but the visitors sank three more field goals before sending both teams into halftime with the Wolves leading 17-16.

Kenny led the team with nine points and Anna Manilla had seven points.

"We played a good game," said Wasilk. "It was just the fourth quarter we did not execute but it is a good learning lesson for us."

He noted freshman Kacy Robinson helped the team against the Lady Raiders.

"She stepped up with a nice game and gave us a lot of good minutes, especially on the defensive side of the basketball," Wasilk added.

The loss puts the team 2-4 in the league and overall, but the team is looking at the record positively since most of the losses were close in points.

"We are going into the new year and we have been very competitive," said Wasilk, adding the girls played well against Southfield-Lathrup in the loss on Dec. 7.

"We are close," he said. "We just have to take the next step."

The girls practiced during the break working on the fundamentals and developing more chemistry.

"It also gives our newcomers more comfort in the offense," Wasilk said. "I am happy with where we are. We are getting better. We just need to work at our free throw shooting."

The Lady Wolves played Chippewa Valley in Mount Clemens on Tuesday before heading to Pontiac on Thursday for a league game. They are back home on Monday, hosting the Lady Colts of Troy. JV begins at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.



Athletes of the Year

Congrats 2010 Athletes of the Week, July-Dec

July

Clarkston Select Soccer Club Shadows 97, Clarkston Junior Equestrian team, Clarkston Riverdaws 10U team, Grapplers Jeff Stoney and Matt Vanderneer

August

Sea Wolves, Hitters Rachel Vieira and Alex Favazza, Max Collins and Joey Goss, Offensive linemen - Lucas Sanders, Aaron Wright, Matt Goebel, Craig Columbo, Nick Matich and Nick McNally

September

Dancer Katie Koczak, Rider Samantha Toth, Freshman running back Ian Eriksen, Clarkston High School Equestrian team, Spiker Allison Reis

October

Kramer Kamp and J.P. Budzinski, Rider Danny Moloney, Kicker Alex Wilson, Runners Nathan and Jacob Murray

November

Clarkston Varsity Girls Volleyball team, Defensive linebacker Steve Carpenter, Senior signees Haley Barker, Halle Moraw, Allison Reis, Alexis Egler and Kenny Stepflug, Ty Gallagher

December

Spiker Stephanie Marani, Lacrosser Matt Burnett, Icer Austin Morse, Icer Trevor Gilman



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Sport teams celebrate victories and triumphs of 2010

Your Clarkston teams are back in action this week - but before they play, let's take a peek at the second half of 2010. Accomplishments were made, hearts were broken and athletes were challenged.

The Wolves had their highs and lows throughout the season, but a team standing out was the Clarkston High School Girls Varsity Volleyball team. They won the OAA Red league, taking their fourth consecutive District title and beating Grand Blanc for the Lady Wolves first MHSAA Regional title since 1976.

Enjoy the brief flashback! We can't wait to see what 2011 brings for the Wolfpack!

August 11

Playing for mom: Every gridiron gang member and coach knew how important their annual Football for a Cure game was for everyone touched by cancer, including senior inside linebacker Justin Baetz and his mom, Patty.

August 25

Wolves sink three wins in soccer tournament: Clarkston High School kickers started their season undefeated after winning three games at the Traverse City Invitational.

Goal reached: The Clarkston Football program gathered 4,600 pounds of food for Lighthouse Emergency Services during their 13th Annual Rush for Food.

September 8

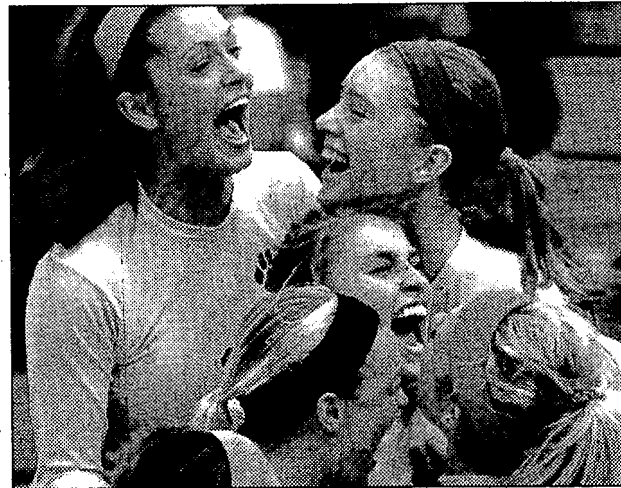
Wolves' defense line leads team to first win: Senior Ty Foltz caught the football with 25.2 seconds to go in the game on the three yard line - intercepting West Bloomfield's throw to the endzone and ending the game with a 10-3 win for Clarkston.

September 15

Harris breaks tie in Girls Cross Country team's victory: Jill Harris stood out during the girls' run during the West Bloomfield/Brother Rice Invitational, as the sixth runner for the team and putting them at first place.

September 22

Lightfoot eases into libero role: Maddie Lightfoot dominated in her libero position for the Clarkston Girls Varsity Volleyball team, scoring 100 total digs in the Flushing Invita-



Spikers celebrate their Regional Championship.

tional and against Seaholm.

September 29

Tournament champs a hit: Kramer Kamp and J.P. Budzinski dominated the Van Dyke Invitational for the second consecutive year - winning first in their flights and leading the Clarkston Boys Varsity Tennis team to win the tournament.

October 13

Playoff spot clinched: Clarkston's gridiron gang secured their spot for playoffs after beating Royal Oak in the Wolves' Homecoming game, 41-7.

Wolves shut out Rochester in OAA: Alex Wilson and Connor Hall added two goals in the game against the Falcons and goalie Tim Rogers shut out Rochester in Clarkston's victory.

October 20

Spiker's gamble pays off in league win: Junior Gianna Locricchio served 18 consecutive points in the Girls Varsity Volleyball team's first set against Troy-Athens. The girls won the next two sets to beat the Lady Red Hawks.

Swimmers excel at county meet: Clarkston Girls Swim

team finished in eighth place overall against 33 teams at the Oakland County meet.

October 27

Spikers down Lake Orion in OAA Red play: The Dragons fought point for point in the third set against Clarkston Girls Varsity Volleyball, but the Lady Wolves prevailed winning, 30-28, and winning the night, 3-0.

November 3

Chiefs head to Superbowl: Clarkston Chiefs Freshman Blue and JV Blue won their division playoffs, securing a spot in the Northern Youth Football League Super Bowl IV.

November 10

Lady Wolves capture fourth consecutive district title: Senior Megan McCarty tapped the volleyball over the net, out of reach for Grand Blanc spikers and onto the floor. Clarkston gained the lead in the game with the point and went on to beat the Lady Bobcats, 3-0, to win their fourth consecutive district title.

Runners finish season at states: Senior Lindsay Fantin finished her high school cross country career setting a new personal record during MHSAA State Finals at 19:16 and in 80th place. From the boys' team, Sam Tanielian finished in 68th and Adam Bruderick in 95th place.

November 17

Lady Wolves block Davison and Flushing from Regional title: Clarkston's Girls Varsity Volleyball team claimed their first MHSAA Regional title since 1976 on Nov. 11 when they beat Flushing, 3-1.

November 24

Wolves rally leads to first OAA Red win: Clarkston kept Birmingham Unified at bay at Detroit Skate Club and the Wolves' hockey team won their first OAA Red game, 4-2.

December 8

Season opener marks first win: Lady Cagers finished their home opener against Rochester with a 48-31 win.

December 15

Clarkston sinks first win in season opener: The Wolves Boys Varsity Basketball team beat Orchard Lake St. Mary's Prep, 60-57.


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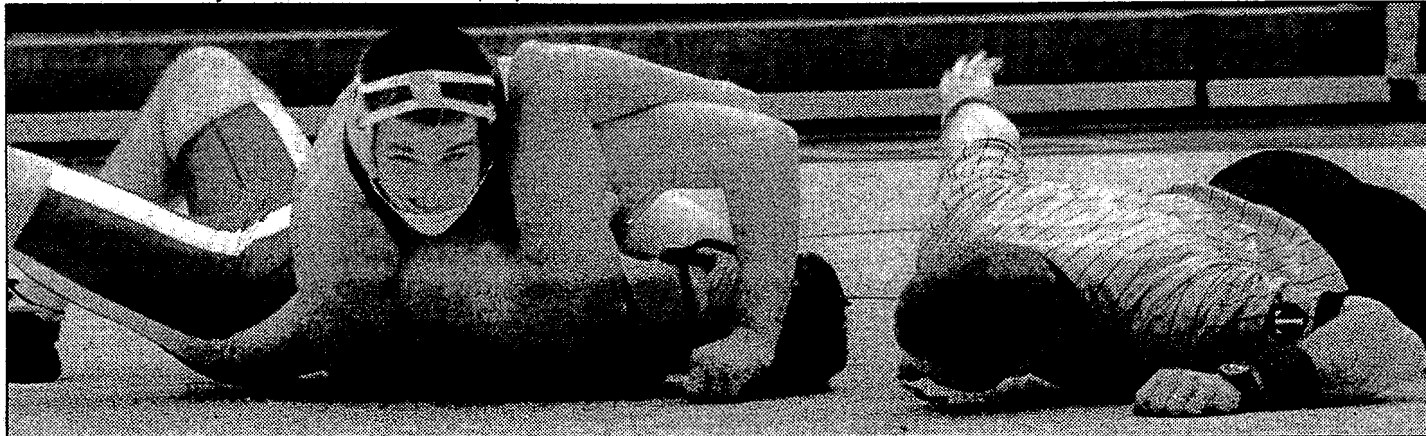
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Eight grapplers place at Tournament of Champs

Senior Jeff Sloney faced tough opponents when he headed to Goodrich for the annual Tournament of Champs.

But he took it as a grain of salt as he took second place in his 130-pound weight class. On his way to his finish he beat Detroit Catholic Central's Logan Marcicki, ranked fourth in Division 1, in the quarterfinal, taking him down with six seconds left in the third period.

Next, Sloney took on returning State Champion Jordan Bosma from Hesperia and ranked first in the Division 4 for 135-pound. He beat him 5-3 in overtime.

Sloney lost to Dundee's Joe Rendina, returning state champ, 15-2. The win put

Rendina as the second four time TOC Champion.

Clarkston finished sixth for the day behind five ranked teams and had eight wrestlers place.

Matt Vandermeer also finished in second, losing to Jordon Thomas of Greenville, a returning state champ and currently ranked seventh in the nation and first in Division 2.

Vandermeer, ranked first in Division 1, kept Thomas to scoring three points on him, a large feat since he has one by pins or technical falls this season. Vandermeer lost, 3-1.

Mike Henige (160), ranked fifth in Division 1, took fourth after a loss to Detroit Catholic Central's Andrew Ericksen, ranked

seventh in Division 1, 12-2.

Scott Devos (285) also placed the fourth spot during the tournament after losing to John Marogen of Dundee, 4-2.

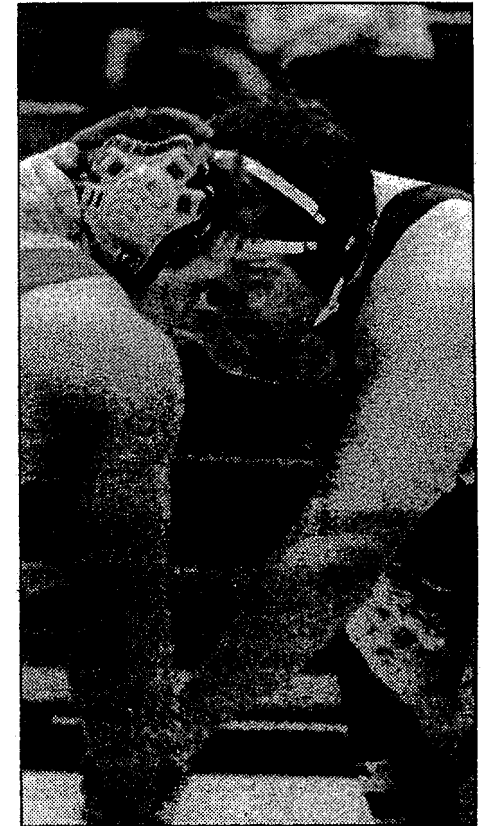
Cameron Wilkie (119), Nick Vandermeer (135) and Ethan Frick (189) finished in sixth.

Greg Miller (103) placed in eight in his first varsity tournament after losing to Addison's Jacob Voss, ranked sixth in Division 4.

The boys beat Lapeer East on Dec. 22, winning 12 of the 14 meets, 66-9.

The wrestling team heads to Rochester on Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.

"We are looking better all the time with guys changing weight classes and getting into midseason," said Coach Andy Auten.



Before Tournament of Champs, Clarkston took on Lapeer East. Matt Vandermeer (top left) works for a pin against Alex Baugh while teammate Scott Devos (above) battles Joe Perry for a win. Photos by Wendi Reardon

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Fioroni scores football success

Clarkston native Sam Fioroni headed into off-season training for football with good news.

The sophomore at Denison University, Ohio received an honorable mention for All-North Coast Athletic Conference for his performance during the 2010 season.

"It's really quite an honor," he said. "I am looking forward to next year. Hopefully we can do better as a team and that will lead to better things for me."

Denison finished the season with a 4-6 record. Fioroni aided the Big Red's during an overtime win at Hiram College, Ohio on Sept. 18, 31-24.

The tailback scored on a 1-yard run to open the second half and finished the game with a 13-yard touchdown run on the second play of overtime for the victory. He also had his career high of rushing 200 yard on 22 carries during the game.

"It was a great win," he said "I have to give credit to our offensive line. We ended up coming back and winning."

He finished fifth in the conference with 1,063 all purpose yards and second in the

league with a 21.3 kick return average. He led the team in scoring with eight touchdowns.

"I enjoyed this season," he said. "We have a new head coach and it was a different atmosphere on the team. We did a little bit better in wins than we did the year before. It was back to having fun on the football field which is what we do."

Fioroni began playing in fourth grade with the Clarkston Chiefs after deciding soccer wasn't for him.

He went on to play for Orchard Lake St. Mary's Preparatory for four years with his junior and senior year on the varsity team.

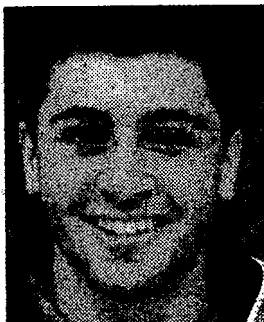
When visiting colleges, Denison had exactly what he was looking for. The Division 3 college was small and the team accepted him.

Fioroni is studying economics and history while maintaining a 3.0 GPA in his sophomore year.

His advice for young gridiron gang members is to work hard and have fun.

"Football is such a fun sport," he said. "You can't lose track of that. Have fun and enjoy every minute."

His parents are Lynette and John.



Fioroni

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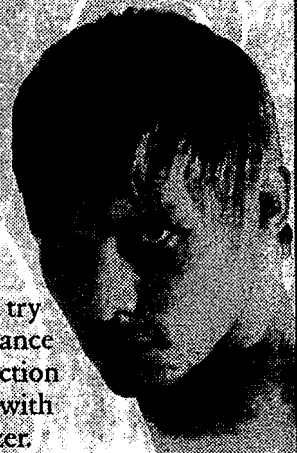
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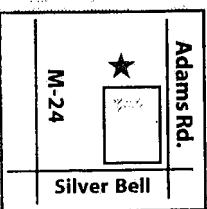
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Religion

God offers ultimate social network site

In my Christmas Eve sermon last month, I referenced a conversation with a friend on Facebook.

While I am not a Facebook fanatic, I recognize the value of connecting with people with the immediacy social networks like Facebook provides.

The ability to connect across miles and time allows people who would not know about each other to remain connected.

My daughter recently told me there is no reason for her high school class to have a reunion.

Everyone she wants to remain in contact with from those days are currently among her "friends."

She says conversation at a reunion would usually consist of questions like, "where are you living, what do you do, tell me about your family," etc.

All of this information she receives

with casual glances at their postings. As she says, "Except hanging out with my closest friends, what would we talk about?"

Last week, there was an article in the news about a little girl who received a kidney from a stranger who heard about her need on Facebook.

The mother spent hours networking and hoping. Because of that connection, the little girl is now free from dialysis and home.

Social networking is so successful because it connects to one of the deepest human needs – the need to be in community.

We are created in the image of God and in need of others in our lives. We all have differences in our need to be with others. Some need many friends, others only a few. Some like to spend most of their time with friends, others need less time. But we all have a need to connect.

The creators of social networking knew this. So did the creator of creation.

God was quite intentional in creating

us to be in relationship. Jesus grew up and gave us an invitation to be part of a social network. It is called the Kingdom of God. All are welcome.

The primary relationship is found in being connected to Christ. Our connection to Him is the foundation of a network of people who enter into blessed connection with each other.

In these relationships we experience real love, acceptance, mercy, forgiveness, hope, and justice.

I hope in the coming days you will have many friends. May you have friends whose hands you can shake, eyes you can see and share the joy of breaking bread together. In this New Year, I pray we all grow closer in our connection to God and our relationship with Christ.

May we discover the joy of laughter and love with the friends God has given us and those God will lead us to in His name. Happy, Holy and Blessed New Year to All!

The Rev. Richard L. Dake is pastor of Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Richard Dake

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.

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People Poll

January 5, 2011

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Predictions for the year 2011?



"That the Lions will win more than four games in a row."

- Stephanie Wotton



"I think there is going to be quick cuts by the governor, but by the end of the year we'll have improvement."

- Jon Drouin



"It will be a great year of abundance, blessings, and good weather."

- Shawna Jasso



"Hopefully the economy will get better, unemployment decreases, and we'll see bipartisanship in government. Hopefully there will be good health and economic status for me and my family. Also that the Clarkston News continues its excellent job reporting local news."

- Garry Jobiowski

By Trevor Keiser

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Gardening goals for 2011

Every year I write down my goals for the coming year. In 2011 I have two gardening goals: grow a prairie and grow and preserve more of my own food. Here is my starting point.

• Our property is approximately 2.5 acres. We currently mow about 1.5 acres. The prairie means we mow less and hopefully attract more insects, butterflies, and birds to our property.

• In 2010, our vegetable garden consisted of 3 raised beds 20' x 4'. I added two more 20' x 4' beds in the fall.

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Mary Pellerito

The Prairie

A prairie is an ecological community made up of native grasses and wildflowers. Oak trees are a minor component. Unfortunately, growing a prairie does not mean not mowing and letting whatever is growing get high.

We are lucky, I suppose, in that our property used to be a cow pasture. We did not put down sod in the area so I am hoping that some of the plants we have been mowing are native prairie plants.

This winter, rather than drooling over poppies and roses and hostas in garden cata-

logs, I will be researching native prairie plants.

This is a multi-year goal. This year I hope to identify the native plants that are currently growing in my garden; come up with a prairie design (if that is possible); start to eliminate 'weeds'; and introduce some new native prairie plants (as many as my budget will allow). I will keep you updated in this column.

The Vegetable Garden

In 2010, I froze tomatoes and basil. I shredded and froze zucchini. That's it. I have one bag of tomatoes left and a few bags of zucchini for bread. The basil should last the rest of winter.

In 2011, I want to grow strawberries, raspberries, and thornless blackberries so I can make jam in the near future. I want to plant beans and more root vegetables to use in the winter months.

In the next few weeks, I will pour over seed catalogs and plan my vegetable garden. I will also be gathering recipes for preserves, jams, sauces, and salsas and ordering seeds for the fruits and vegetables used in the recipes.

I think I have filled up the next few weeks of winter with the most important garden activity—dreaming. And a dream turned into a goal becomes a garden.

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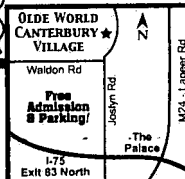


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Ladies Night kickoff, 5-9 p.m., Jan. 7, 25 percent off all items. St. Vincent de Paul, 5395 Dixie Highway. 248-623-2780.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all who recently lost a loved one, 7 p.m., Jan. 11. Topic: "Settling into the Quiet." Led by bereavement counselor from Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Carriage House, Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. Free. Walk-ins welcome. 248-625-5231.

Birthday celebration, with Clarkston Community Women's Club, 7 p.m., Jan. 20, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Celebrate everyone's birthday with a cake decorating demonstration, white elephant gift exchange. 248-620-3255.

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.

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

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

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

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

Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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

Tuesday

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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

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

Clarkston Area 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.

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.

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

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

Travel program, second Thursday, 6-7 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., made-from-scratch. \$5 donation. Independence Township

Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Make reservation by Monday before, 248-625-8231.

H.O.P.E., Health Optimism Perseverance Education, cancer support group for people with any type of cancer, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute - Clarkston, Conference Room, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Emotional support and education to help with adjustment and coping. Care-givers, family, and friends are welcome to attend with the cancer patient. Walk-ins welcome. 877-627-6248.

Young At Heart Active Adults, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., lunches, guest speakers, musical performances, field trips, holiday parties, movies, bingo, games. Hart Community Center in Davisburg. \$5 yearly membership, \$5 lunch. 248-846-6558.

Clarkston Community Women's 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.

Tell Us About Your Travels program, second Thursday, 6-7:30 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Jan. 13, Guam; Feb. 10, African Serengeti, Zanzibar, Kilimanjaro; March 10, Amsterdam, Anne Frank House, Rhine River Cruise, Germany, and Alsace, France; April 14, Ireland and Scotland; May 12, Amazon and Costa Rica. 248-625-2212.

Friday

Coffee House, third Friday, 7 p.m., Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. Featured musicians, poets, dancers, other performers, open mic. Free. 248-625-5192.

Yoga for the fibromyalgia patient, 11:30 a.m., first Saturday. Taught by an instructor living with fibro. Support and community follows class; \$12 walk-in or purchase 10 visits for \$100 class card. Jewels Yoga and Fitness, 4612 Mountain View Trail, Clarkston, 248-390-9270.

Around Town

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



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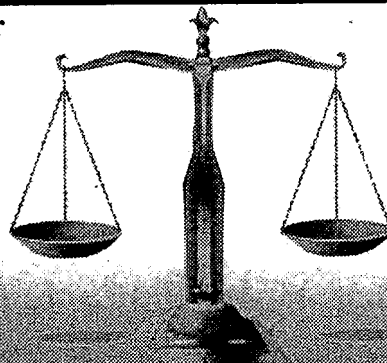
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7:00 pm - 7:45 pm

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Justin Graymire in Mrs. Whailey's 2nd grade class enjoys his Christmas snacks.



Maddie Kujala in Mrs. Whailey's 2nd grade class concentrates on making her candy cane.



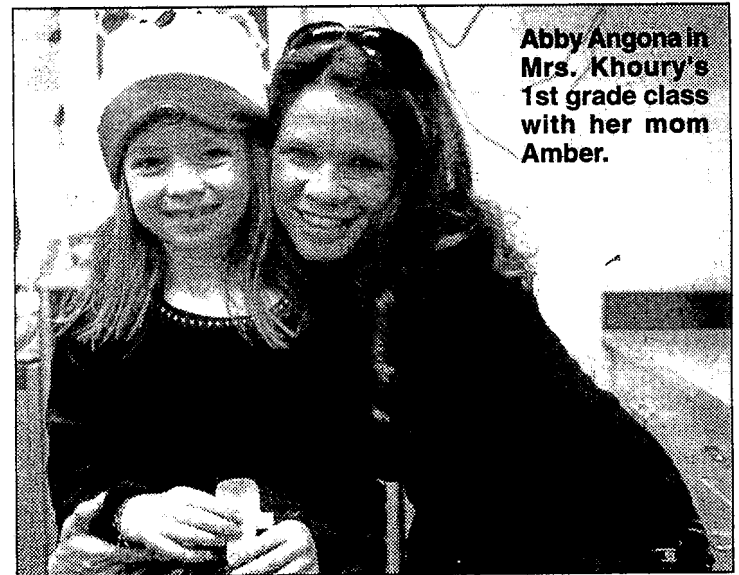
Students from Mrs. Simek's Kindergarten enjoy playing "Musical snowmen."

Holiday Fun

To end the year with a smile, students from Springfield Plains Elementary enjoyed holiday fun, Dec. 16.

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Obituaries

Sarah Jo Betts, 27

Sarah Jo Betts of Pontiac passed away suddenly, Dec. 30, 2010, at age 27.

She was the daughter of JoAnn "Jo" Betts and Donald (Dolly Guerra) Betts; preceded in death by her brother Jason; also survived by many family members and friends.

Funeral service Wednesday, Jan. 5, 12:30 p.m., at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., until time of service. Interment Seymour Lake Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family c/o the funeral home. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



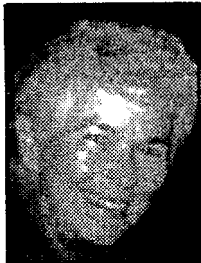
Betty L. Phillips, 87

Betty L. Phillips, age 87, passed peacefully, Dec. 23, 2010, to join her husband of 62 years, Donald R., who preceded her in death.

She was the beloved mother of Karen (Tom) Tracey, Butch (Chris) Phillips and Jon (Dawn) Phillips. She had eight grandchildren and was the proud great-grandmother of 16.

Mrs. Phillips retired from GM with 28 years of service and was a Rosie Riveter during World War II.

Memorial Service was Jan. 2 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home-Cremation Services, Clarkston. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to your local hospice in Betty and Donald Phillips' names.



Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

Raymond V. Ronquillo, 69

Raymond V. Ronquillo of Pontiac passed away, Dec. 31, 2010, at age 69.

He was the father of Denise Ronquillo of Pontiac, Raymond D. (Sylvia) Ronquillo of North Branch, Kolene Catanzariti of Arizona, Mike (Jackie) Ronquillo of Waterford, Tony (Martie) Ronquillo of Clarkston; husband of Pamela; also survived by several grandchildren, many great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews; loving companion of Amanda "Lana" Chandler; brother of Patricia Cochran of Pontiac, Pete (Faye) Ronquillo of Waterford, and Paul Ronquillo of Pontiac; preceded in death by his sister Margaret; stepfather of Holly (Rick) Casanova and Kelly Casanova.



Mr. Ronquillo retired from General Motors, Orion Plant after 42 years of service. He was an outdoorsman and enjoyed woodworking.

Funeral service was Jan. 4 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Roseland Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

In our churches

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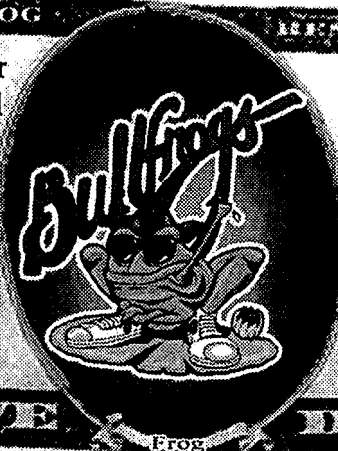
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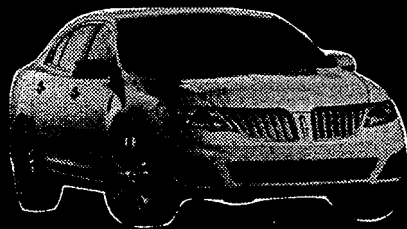
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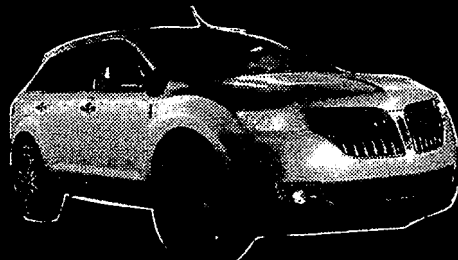


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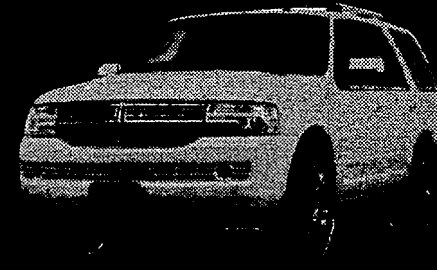


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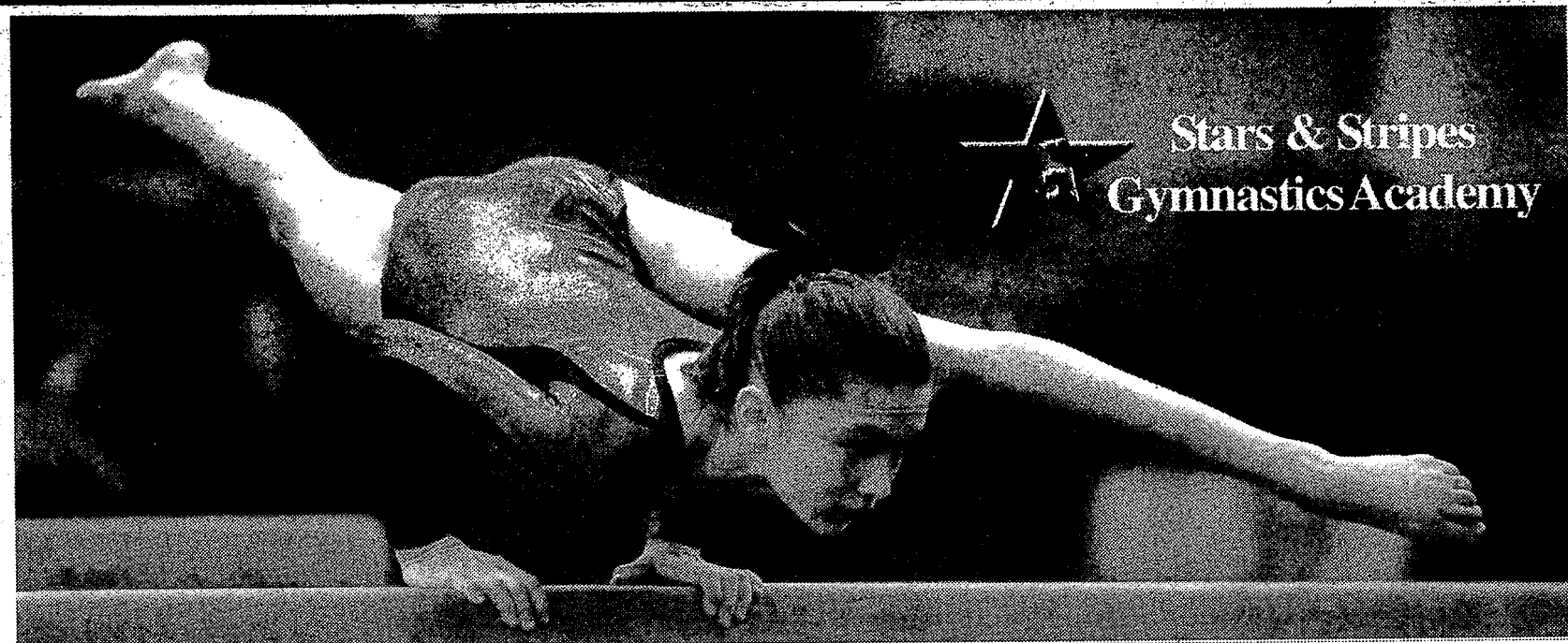
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