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Full of win!



Scott Osborn, Pinewood Derby chairman at Pine Knob Elementary, celebrates with Athena Tedder, who won the Open Class with her jellybean racer, Jan. 28. Please see page 8A for more photos. Photo by Phil Custodio

Fairy tale finish

Drama club brings Cinderella to stage

BY WENDI REARDON
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

The classic tale of a lost glass slipper, a scullery maid and a prince is being brought to life by the Clarkston High School Drama Club in their rendition of Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella.

Taylor Smith, playing Cinderella, is left working in the house for her stepmother, played by Stephanie Burnham, and two stepsisters, played by Kendall Kotcher and Sarah Milano, after the death of both parents.

"I wish I could go to the ball," said Smith. "I wish I could be a part of something like that." While Cinderella is in her world dreaming and imagining a life out of the house, Prince Christopher, played by Nathan Larkins, is also wishing for another life.

"I go into the town square because I hate the palace and I want to be more like a normal person because everything has been laid out for me," he said. "I am always wondering what else is out there for me. I don't want to be locked up in castle all my life. I want to meet someone."

Another frustration for Christopher is his parents the King and Queen, played by Mike Arkwright and Maggie Schroeder, want him to get married but want to arrange the marriage.

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Does it fit? Nathan Larkins' Prince Christopher tries the glass slipper on Cinderella, played by Taylor Smith, while stepsisters Sarah Milano and Kendall Kotcher and stepmother Stephanie Burnham watch in shock. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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Free tests, tips at health, fitness expo

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The second annual Family Health and Fitness Expo, Saturday, provides fun and education for parents and children.

"Susan Barnes and I started it last year just to bring a health lifestyle to our community," said Dawn McLennan, Clarkston PTA Health and Wellness Co-Coordinator.

It also helps families find resources in their community to help them find what they need to live a healthy lifestyle, McLennan said.

The expo includes cooking demonstrations, sports demonstrations and injury prevention. The focus remains the same this year with the addition of more health screenings.

"People may not have the resources or have lost their jobs," said McLennan. "Having free health screenings help them and brings the resources to them - that was the main focus for this year."

Screenings and testings include bone density, glucose and cholesterol from POH Medical Center; blood pressure and BMIs from Clarkston Medical Group; and vision screenings from Oakland EyeCare and Clarkston Area Lions Club.

"We have a lot of great things coming," said McLennan.

Among them are fun activities to help chil-

dren get moving including Stars & Stripes Gymnastics Academy is bringing their activity center, Michigan Orthopedics is sponsoring an inflatable obstacle course and Tiny Tots is having golf demonstration.

Free Masons from Clarkston Cedar Lodge #60 will also be there and will provide a child identification kit.

"It will include not only the fingerprinting but DNA, voice recognition and video of your child," said McLennan. "It is really great and free."

For kids safety, POH is offering car seats by appointment at Independence Township Fire Department, off Citation Drive. For an appointment, please call 248-338-5460.

To get families ready for outside activities bicycle helmets will be fitted. They are also available for purchase. Usually sold for \$30-40, they are available for the low cost of \$5 for infants and \$10 for children.

The expo also features three keynote speakers, Dan Houston, Ken Krygel and Jay Zammit.

Houston is a certified wellness coach and also the fitness director of the mentoring program for youth assistance for Oakland County. He will discuss childhood obesity, exercise and nutrition.

Krygel, a drug recognition expert from Macomb Community College, will present in-

formation on teen drug abuse including how teens use drugs and how parents can recognize the signs.

Zammit will discuss goal setting and lifestyle changes. He is a grandfather and has lost over 80 pounds through Ironman training.

"They are great resources for people," said McLennan.

Raffle tickets are given at the door for a chance to win prizes throughout the event. Some prizes included are from Pine Knob Ski Resort and Orchard Lake Country Club.

"I hope everyone can come out and take advantage of the resources we are bringing," said McLennan. "It will be fun for the entire family."

It is free and is 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Feb. 5 at the Clarkston Community Education building, 6558 Waldon Road.

The event is hosted by Clarkston Community Schools PTA Council, Clarkston Community Schools and Independence Township Parks and Rec.

Sponsors include Oakland Eye Care, McLaren Health Center, Clarkston Medical Group, POH Hospital, Michigan Center of Orthopedic Surgery and Slow Foods of Detroit.

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Briefly

Clean audit for Clarkston

Clarkston auditors Janz & Knight, PLC gave the city a clean bill of health for its 2010 budget, Jan. 24.

Total 2010 budget is \$6,960,290. Clarkston's total budget for 2009 was \$7,281,478.

S'know the rules

When digging out from under this week's snow storm, Road Commission for Oakland County has a reminder: it's illegal to shovel or plow snow or ice into the road.

Pushing snow from a driveway or parking lot onto a road, as well as piling snow up on the shoulder blocking drivers' "safety vision," is prohibited by state law. It's a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$100 and/or jail of up to 90 days.

More than 13 inches of snow was forecast for Wednesday, Feb. 2. County plows spent Tuesday salting roads in preparation for the storm, scheduling drivers so they would be on hand by midnight, when the heaviest snow was expected to start.

The county promised its full fleet of more than 80 trucks to clear roads during the storm.

Correction

The story "Big Deal, coupons, contests, local bargains coming to Clarkston," Jan. 26, should have listed the phone number as 248-625-3370.

Sponsor for the Big Deal's first issue, Feb. 23, is Land-Tec Lawn, Landscape, and Snow Management, offering \$1,500 in free landscaping to a lucky reader.

3 choices for township clerk

Finalists have lots of clerk experience

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The township clerk selection committee met twice to narrow 45 candidates to three – Joan McCrary, Joan Patterson and Barbra Pallotta.

"I thought the selection process went well, and that the good number of talented candidates was reflective of the quality of community in general – highly qualified people who are willing to give back," said Jerry Fisher of Independence Township, selection committee member.

Beverly McElmeel agreed.

"The selection process I thought was a very good one and the five members worked very well together," she said. "As far as the candidates go, we were all in agreement for who was recommended to the township board."

McCrary served as Independence Township clerk from 1989-2004, as well as the Zoning Board of Appeals for four years.

"I'm happy they chose me and I'm pleased I can be committed to the community again if they choose me as the clerk," she said. "I may have stepped down, but I didn't step out when I left there. My interest and everything has still been here with the township, so I'm happy to be one of the three."

She currently serves on the Planning Commission. Some of her community involvement includes Clarkston Area Optimist, Clarkston Historical Society, Township Historical and Preservation committee, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Lighthouse of Oakland County, and is a member of the First Baptist Church of Clarkston.

"I think I can serve them well with my depth of experience and involvement in the community," McCrary added.

Patterson, a trustee on the Clarkston School Board said the clerk position would give her a

"bigger part." As trustee on the school board she said there is a lot of "oversight."

"As a clerk you have more hands on pulling data together to make decisions," she said. "This is a nice fit where I can pull my community background, my business background and my knowledge of Clarkston together."

Patterson said if there is a potential conflict of interest of serving on both the school board and being township clerk, she would quit the school board.

"I'm passionate about education," she said. "I'll always be a part of that by volunteering or being involved, but I have seen this as a greater opportunity to get involved with public service."

Community involvement includes Clarkston Area Optimist, Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Counselor, Clarkston Leadership Board, and Service Academy Selection Committee. She currently volunteers as a student mentor in the High School and Junior High for "at risk" students.

"One of the things I'm starting to understand is if you want to improve the political process you have to take a part in it," Patterson said. "I just appreciate all the people that put their resumes in, because that meant a lot of people are looking and wanting to get involved."

Pallotta declined to comment on Monday because she had not been officially notified by the committee yet that she was a top three candidate.

Pallotta currently works as deputy clerk for the City of Troy. Prior to that she was deputy clerk for City of Wixom. She was also the secretary to the Director of Human Resources for the City of Farmington Hills and a steno clerk in both the Planning and Community Development and the Clerk's office for the City of Novi.

Selection Committee member Joe Wauldron also thought the process went well.

"There were a lot of qualified people. We were looking for people who were looking for jobs, not money and we were looking at the background, the commitment to the community," he said. "We're happy with the

selection."

Other members of the selection committee included Zac Bell and Karen Marvel.

Supervisor Dave Wagner said the committee gave the board "some decent choices."

"I think it's a good group of three. They all bring a lot of different qualifications to the township," Wagner said. "Hopefully in a couple weeks we'll have a clerk."

Trustee Mark Petterson agreed.

"We have three very good candidates, they're all certainly qualified," Petterson said. "I still believe the board could have very well gone through all the applications."

Trustee David Lohmeier felt the committee was "really efficient."

"There is a good lesson learned there, just because you're going to form a committee and put some work on there, it doesn't have to be long and bureaucratic," he said. "You get some good citizens with good intentions they can get the job done and move on."

Lohmeier didn't want to comment on the three candidates until officially presented by the committee.

"Of the 45 resumes, I was impressed half of them had qualifications and at least 10 or 12 were really qualified," Lohmeier said. "So we got a good pool (to choose from)."

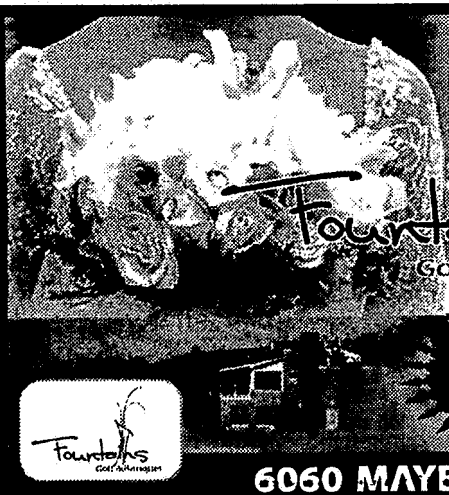
According to the "Clerk Replacement Selection Process" each member of the township board can add one more candidate from the resume pool to the three names given by the committee. Those names were to be submitted to the human resource director by Monday.



McCrary



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Fight disease with Nerf

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Twelve-year-old Andy Moy is at war with juvenile arthritis. He takes to the field with family and friends, March 5, armed with the latest in Nerf.

"The fund raiser will be awesome," said Moy of Waterford, who has had the chronic inflammatory disease since he was 5. "It will be so much fun. I can't wait!"

He and his family plan a Nerf War, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Saturday, March 5, at Stars and Stripes Kids Activity Center, 4630 White Lake Road in Independence Township.

Proceeds from the Nerf War will benefit his team at Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter's Arthritis Walk this May at the Detroit Zoo.

"We walk every year," said Jaime Moy, his mother. "For this fund raiser, we wanted something more suited to Andy. He loves Nerf."

"It's fun - when you're hit, it doesn't hurt as much as anything else," Andy said.

Nerf War is a new idea for fund raisers Jaime found on the Internet.

"We'll be the guinea pigs," she said. "It should be lots of fun."

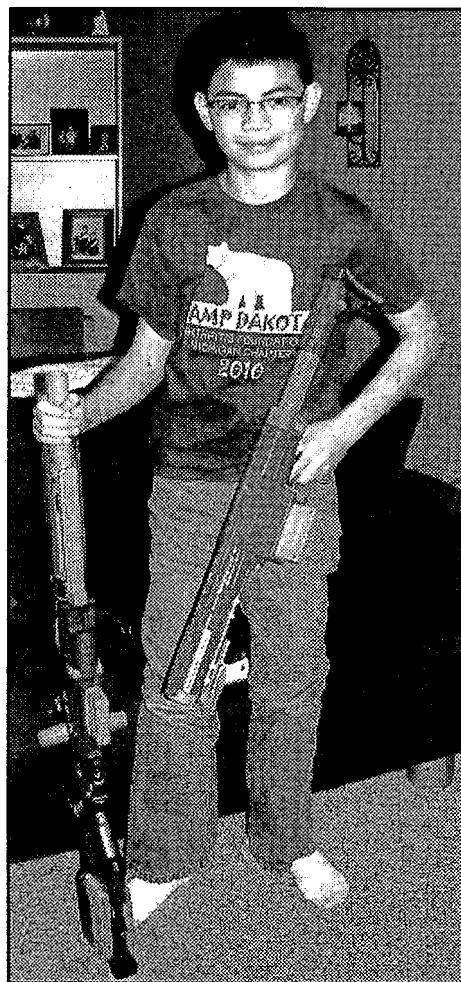
So far, about 20 officially registered, and many others are interested. Commercial donations include a gift card from Best Buy to give away as a prize, and Stars and Stripes, she said.

"We wanted someplace indoors because of the weather," Jaime said. "At a gymnastics center, we can use mats as barriers. It was the best in the area for what we needed - they've been very receptive and excited about it."

Brian Foster, business manager for Stars and Stripes, said he offered the 12,500-square-foot facility because the fund raiser fits with the company's goals.

"We pride ourselves on being the industry leader in kid-based activities," Foster said. "Our mission has always been to build self-esteem, strength and dreams."

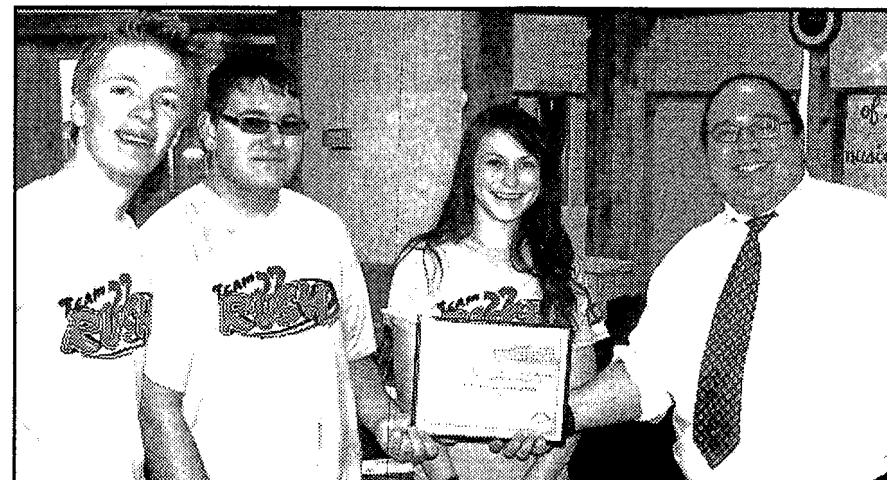
Participants need to bring their own Nerf gun, 35 soft darts, and protective eyewear.



Andy Moy, with his brace of Nerf dart guns, hosts a Nerf War to fight juvenile arthritis. Photo by Phil Custodio

Admission is \$10 per person. There will be both competitive and fun play for ages 4 to adult, with game play divided up into age brackets for safety. Rules and registration information are online at www.walkwithandy.com/nerf.

Juvenile psoriatic arthritis affects nearly 10,300 children in Michigan. For more information on the Arthritis Foundation, call 248-649-2891. For information on Stars and Stripes, call Foster at 248-625-3547.



Thanks for community support

From left, Nicholas Lee, Keaton Mantz and Regan Havens of Clarkston High School's Team RUSH presented awards to businesses all over the community for their support of the Holiday Lights Parade, including Phil Custodio, Clarkston News editor. Photo by Wendi Reardon

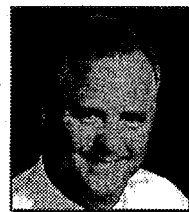
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High school stages magical musical

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riage.

"I want to take my own time and fall in love with the girl of my dreams," said Larkins.

Through a little bit of magic and help from fairy godmother, played by Mason Van Geison, Cinderella and Christopher meet.

But a dilemma arises when Cinderella leaves the ball unexpectedly at midnight and the only thing left behind is her glass slipper - leaving the prince to find his true love again.

The plot only scratches the surface to the enjoyable performance.

"The story is a lot more in depth," said Larkins.

"It is upbeat even though it is not a cartoon," said Kotcher. "You know all the people and it is still a lot of fun and has a lot of energy."

"The characters are more like real people than they are in the Walt Disney animated version," said Van Geison. "Every character is more complex."

She added the tale was modernized and her character encourages Cinderella to believe in herself before the fairy godmother will give Cinderella what she wants.

"It is telling kids you can fight for what you believe in," said Van Geison.

Being the Rodgers & Hammerstein's version includes lots of songs.

"The music stands out," added Smith. "One of my favorite parts is 'My Own Little Corner.' It is fun to act out and play with the mice onstage. The kids will especially like it because it is so animated."

Smith explained the play is the Enchanted version.

"A few songs were added and the script was rewritten from the original version with Julie Andrews to enhance the scene interpretation," said Larkins.

From the outfits to the setting the timeless tale is estically pleasing, said Schroeder.

"The set is amazing," said Tabitha Mullen, publicity chair for the show. "The pumpkin has to turn into a carriage and they made it look amazing. The crew worked at this all year long."

"The costumes are amazing," added Kotcher.

Performances are Feb. 17-19, 7:30 p.m. at the high school's Performing Arts Center. Matinee show is Feb. 19, 2 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for students and senior citizens, \$10 for adults, free for children grade 5 and younger with adult. Tickets are on sale at the CHS box office, from 10:15 a.m. to noon, Monday-Friday, or reserve tickets by calling 248-623-4024.

"The show makes you believe in fairy tales," said Smith. "It's not just for younger people but older people. People will enjoy it because they know it will have a happy ending."



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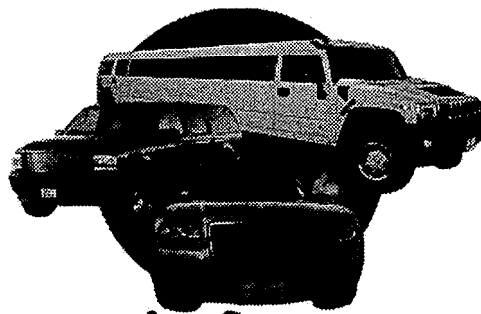
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Keiser's Role

A column by Trevor Keiser

Choices, choices

I am glad to see the selection committee for the next Independence Township Clerk has narrowed the 45 person resume pool down to the top three.

I believe all three candidates have the abilities and skill sets of a good clerk. Joan McCrary already having been the township clerk for 16 years and knowing the job can hit the ground running on day one.

Joan Patterson has shown to give careful thought to decisions made on the Clarkston school board level and has a thirst for always learning something new.

Unfortunately, I don't know Barbra Pallotta as well as I do McCrary or Patterson. Judging from her background of working for various municipalities around the state as a steno clerk doing meeting minutes as well as serving as a deputy clerk I'm sure she has gained helpful insight to do the job efficiently.

As to whether or not any of the township board members added any names from the resume pool they thought should be considered, I won't know until after this paper has already gone to print.

To be honest I don't really see the point of having a committee to select "the top three" if board members are just going to add more names to the list. It defeats the purpose of having a "selection committee" if you start second guessing their selections.

There has been a level of secrecy and "keeping things on the DL (Down Low)," which I have not liked. For example 45 people put their names in for Township Clerk, but the residents only get to know who the top three selected are. I agree with Trustee Mark Petterson that all names should have been made known to the public WITHOUT a Freedom of Information request.

As Petterson said "This is not just a job - This is a political position with statutory duties within our community."

Another example of secrecy is when I called two of the top three candidates they had not even received a phone call from a committee member letting them know they had been selected.

I understand giving the "official news" in a public board meeting, but not letting candidates know ahead of time and making them "sit on pins and needles" is wrong in my opinion. This isn't a game show, stop treating it as one. Remember "open, honest, and transparent government."



Reader sees lots to learn from

Dear Editor,

Thumbs up to Independence Township trustees Neil Wallace and David Lohmeier for publicly questioning how purchases are funded and taxpayer money is spent, even when not on their watch.

Thumbs down to Treasurer Curt Carson for saying he wasn't going to second guess the previous board's actions. This is a similar to the response the Clarkston city manager gave when asked to respond to allegations against city DPW employee activity ("Ex-employees challenge City DPW director," Dec. 22, 2010).

Even when he finally responded that some of it was true, the council did nothing to stop it other than say it should not happen again. If our elected representatives are not responsible for past actions, and past boards, who is?

How will any of us move ahead if we don't look at what we have done, evaluate if it was

done correctly, and improve the process when possible?

Ideally you prevent the robbery at the bank before it happens. You don't say. "The bank got robbed but I'm not going to ask how." Preventing a fire is always better than fighting the fire and paying for the loss.

In this case, you should not wait for the Department of Treasury to say you did it wrong, especially when few people even knew it was happening at all.

As Mr. Wallace stated, "We do not want to be making those same kinds of mistakes."

Thank you Mr. Wallace, as all mistakes by government are paid for by the taxpayers who really cannot afford to do so.

Please be more open and public about how government spends our money and when you do make mistakes, please learn from them so they don't happen again.

Cory Johnston
Clarkston

Letters to the editor

Retired judge knows power of words

Dear Editor,

Immediately after the shootings in Tucson, Ariz., there was a great deal of discussion as to whether inflammatory language and references to gunplay caused the shootings.

There have been references to "reload," "Second Amendment rights," i.e., right to bear arms, "crosshairs," and "bulls-eyes."

Was there a causal connection between speech and action? If you don't think there is such a causal connection, go into any locker room at half-time and listen to the coach's half-time talk. It is too late to give the players instruction on how to play the game. This is the occasion for the coach to "fire up" his players, make last minute adjust-

ments, not to instruct but to encourage, to jack them up. The coach wants to elevate his players to a new level of intensity. The coach wants action as a result of his words.

Out of the hundreds of examples of speech causing someone to act come to mind President Kennedy's inaugural remark of "Ask not what your country can do for you"; Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I have a dream" speech; and President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address written on the train between Washington and Gettysburg.

We are STILL responding and being moved by these words. The pen is STILL "mightier than the sword."

Gerald E. McNally
Clarkston

Thanks for making retro party a success

Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in, attended and enjoyed our Clarkston Retro Progressive Cocktail Party, Jan. 22, and especially the *Clarkston News* for helping to make this a successful event.

It was a wonderful evening and the turn-

out of smiling faces surpassed any expectation. We collected approximately \$2,000 in donations for the Lighthouse North and will be presenting them with a check at our next meeting.

Thank you.

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A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 1996

"Driver's ed revisited" In response to traffic crashes in which young drivers were killed, state legislators looked to make drivers' training tougher. Ron Santavicca and Fred Spain in Clarkston said they were all for the proposed graduated licensing program.

"2001 - a Sashabaw odyssey" Traffic was a problem on Sashabaw Road, especially during Pine Knob concert season, but road widening was not expected until 2001. State funding needed for the project was redirected to major state trunk lines.

"Love 'em or hate 'em: they're 'The Jungle'" Made up of students, the fan section made it their mission to be loudest and most enthusiastic in support of various Clarkston High School teams, but some displayed unsportsmanlike conduct. Administration responded with a set of rules and standards.

25 years ago - 1986

"Who's afraid of big, bad owls" Clarkston Department of Public Works mounted an inflatable owl on top of Rudy's Market on Main Street, hoping to keep pigeons away. The birds weren't fooled by the artificial predator.

"Earthquake rattles residents, no injuries but phones abuzz" A 5.0 Richter scale earthquake in Ohio was felt in Clarkston, knocking books and dishes off shelves and scaring people.

"Photo inquiry" In the wake of the Challenger space shuttle disaster, the *Clarkston News* asked if civilians should participate in the space program. Respondents Bill Heichel, Brian Shoup, Chris Newberry, and Rebecca Lewis said yes, they should.

50 years ago - 1961

"Theater group becomes 'Village Players'" The newly organized theater group, led by Nicholas Rossano, gave itself a name. Stirring with enthusiasm, the promising new group hoped to bring Little Theater to Clarkston.

"Polio clinic biggest yet" The clinic at Clarkston Elementary was successful beyond the greatest expectation of planners - 350 shots were given out in the first hour, with a total of 1,350 during the day.

"Sherlock Holmes, anyone" A \$10 prize was offered to anyone who could identify an object on display in Bob's Hardware window. The "doo-jiggie" was said to have been found in an older Church Street home. All people were sure of was it wasn't a set of brass knuckles.

Rush into action. One man prepares for snow

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

-- David Belch

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After I was shellacked for reporting on the trials and tribulations of shoveling snow this past December (I logged every step during my snow shoveling exploits for one day and found that I had shoveled nearly 1.3 miles worth of the white, fluffy stuff), I vowed to the world via that social networking behemoth, Facebook, that I would never write about shoveling snow again.

I lied.

Nannie-nannie-poo-poo, if you don't like it, sue me.

When I heard the news that between Monday and Wednesday we could get over a foot of snow, I went into action.

See, I knew kids growing up who were Boy Scouts and their motto was to *be prepared*. While I never was a scout (for some reason my parents thought their only son would be better served taking -- no snickering -- tap-dancing lessons) I hung around them enough to hijack their credo of preparedness for myself.

When I shovel snow (or rake leaves) I

kinda go into combat mode.

To keep my brain from atrophying during the tedious exercise of shoveling (or raking), I make what I am doing personal. War. Whilst the repetitive motion occurs physically, in my mind I hear the tin can sounding voice-overs from the 1940s Movietone News.

Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

"Invading hordes of snow and ice have moved across the Rushland border last night. President Rush ordered his generals to eradicate and repel the invaders. Leading the charge is this country's bravest hero, General DP Rush."

It's me against the snow. The snow is the enemy and must be moved. It's kind of fun to shovel or rake knowing the fate of the Free World rests on your shoulders.

So, this past Sunday I heard the news of the upcoming snow invasion and went out to prepare. Already this winter I had shoveled snowbanks around my driveway. The banks of snow were from waist to chest high.

First, I knocked those down. If the big snow coming was wet and heavy, I rea-

soned, it would be easier to throw if I didn't have to lift it high off the ground.

When that task was completed, I surveyed my work. The heaping mounds of snow had moved about three or four feet away from the drive.

As a skilled, militaristic tactician I thought of the impending siege. The enemy, snow, could come in from the north, but more likely blow across from the northwest.

Fortifications were needed.

I spent the next few hours building up a series of what I called "snow breaks" throughout my yard, west of the drive. You can call them snow banks. My neighbors will call 'em, I am sure, eyesores. Each successive snow break is about two to three feet tall.

They are designed (engineered in my head) to cut down on drifting snow. It is my theory that blowing snow will have to fill in against the snow breaks first, then in between the snow banks, thus leaving less snow to drift on the driveway.

If necessity is the Mother of Invention, laziness is it's father. The less snow I have to shovel the better.

I spent much of Sunday afternoon readying for the war and was satisfied with

the work. Trench warfare is never pretty and I bet my neighbors are pretty aghast at the warzone that is my front and backyards. But I was ready, I slept well that night.

When I got to work on Monday I went to the National Weather Service website to read storm updates. And, here is what I learned: "Wind chill values as low as -2. Blustery, with a east northeast wind between 18 and 28 mph, with gusts as high as 36 mph. Chance of precipitation is 100%. New snow accumulation of 6 to 10 inches possible."

Did you read that carefully?

NORTHEAST wind . . . my fortifications were set to repel hordes of snow coming from the northwest.

Battles, nay, wars have been won or lost based on intelligence gathered before and during any conflict.

My intel was wrong. My strategy flawed. I can hear the Movietone voicer-over guy now.

"Invading hordes of snow and ice have moved across the Rushland border last night and overrun the entire hemisphere. All is lost. Hug your children, kiss your wives, gather your provisions and head for the hills. General DP Rush has failed."

Jot, Jot, Jotting along in these recessionary times

President Obama and his czars decided Freddie Mac and Fanny Mac were failing and needed bailing out. I don't know how much that cost we taxpayers, but defending that decision cost \$410,000,000. Freddie Mac, established in 1970, went broke in 39 years. Just couldn't get it right.

• Manufacturers are so scared of being sued they are going to extremes to protect their anuses. Like instructions to open a package: Remove the item from the box. Discard the plastic wrap. Inhale deeply. Exhale. To open the item grasp the lid tightly and turn it counterclockwise. Inhale, exhale, etc.

• I'm a basic, farm-raised male. I know how to fry and boil stuff. Season with salt, pepper and garlic. Eat it when it looks done. Recipes are for those less fortunate. Recipe writers and tv cooks add ingredients with one of two purposes: Fool readers/viewers into thinking they are smart, or to fill space on a label. What does Oregano, Celery seed, Turmeric and Sweet Basil do for us? Is there a sour Basil? Is Turmeric a seed, compound or underground weed?

• With these recessionary times . . . Exxon-Mobil laid off 23 Congressmen . . . you can buy a toaster and get a bank . . . truckloads of Americans are sneaking into Mexico . . . Motel Six isn't leaving the light on any more . . . and a picture is now worth only 200 words.

• Back to my basic male thought. I eat a lot of sandwiches. For my sausage sandwich I put some horseradish sauce on a slice of toasted raisin-cinnamon bun. I like that sauce on leftover rice from sweet and sour chicken orders, too.

Jim's Jottings



a column by Jim Sherman

The *New York Times* reported the bosses of a publishing firm are trying to figure out why no one noticed one of their employees had sat *dead* at his desk for five days.

He died on a Monday, but nobody noticed until Saturday morning when an office cleaner asked him why he was working during a weekend.

His boss said the man was always a quiet worker and kept much to himself. At least no typing mistakes got past him.

Another exciting mystery you hopefully haven't read about. In a hospital's intensive care unit, patients died in the same bed, Sunday mornings at 11. Doctors figured it was supernatural.

A world-wide team of experts was assembled to investigate the cause of the incidents.

The next Sunday morning, a few minutes after 11,

doctors and nurses waited outside the ward to see what the terrible phenomenon was all about. Some held wooden crosses, prayer books and other holy objects to ward off the evil spirits.

Just as the clock struck 11, Pookie Johnson, the part-time Sunday sweeper, entered the ward and unplugged the life support system so he could use the vacuum cleaner.

Beginning with United States President Teddy Roosevelt (1901-1909) through George W. Bush, only four presidents picked a majority of cabinet members from the private business sector: Wilson, Eisenhower, Reagan and George H. Bush. President John Kennedy picked the lowest number of cabinet leaders; 30 percent. And, it's these appointees who have been telling big corporations how to run their businesses.

What-a-country!

* Camels are born without their lumps. So are . . . never mind.

• Even bloodhounds cannot smell the difference between identical twins.

• If you feed beer to a laboratory rat it will live six times longer than a rat that drinks only water.

• Ok, one more. Americans eat 4 million pounds of bacon and 175 million eggs every day.



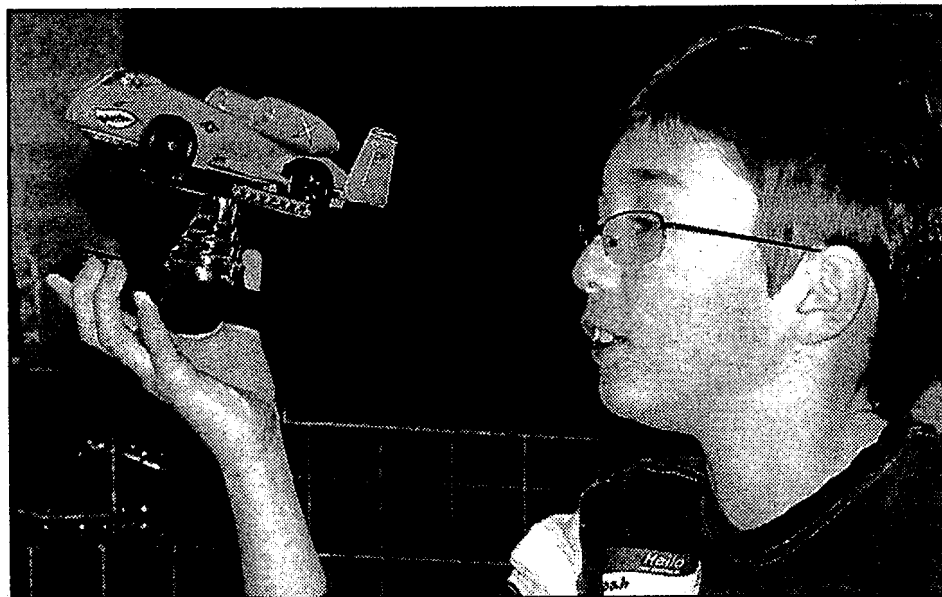
Evan Hall watches racers speed to the finish.

Fast, fancy racers

Pack 499 Cub Scouts at Pine Knob Elementary put their wood-working and engineering skills to the test, building the fastest and best-looking racers they could for their Pinewood Derby, Jan. 28.

Chartered by Clarkston Rotary Club, each scout received a participation trophy, with plaques and larger trophies reserved for the fastest and most artistic cars.

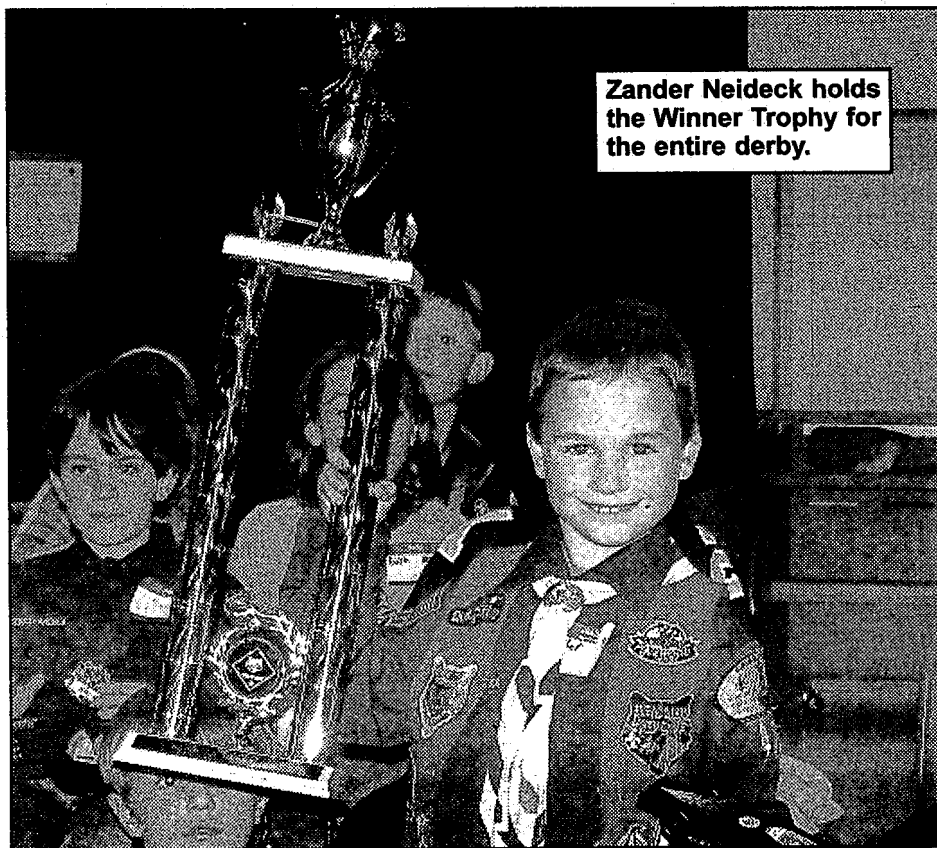
Photos by Phil Custodio



Noah Campbell won the award for Most Artistic with this A-10 inspired racer.



Gabriel Saylor receives the award for Most Creative for his popcorn box themed car.



Zander Neideck holds the Winner Trophy for the entire derby.

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Thefts

Two GPS units were taken from a vehicle parked in the 5000 block of Deepwood Court, Jan. 9. There were no signs of forced entry.

About \$1,700 in metal roofing material was taken from a Town Center business, Jan. 15.

Credit fraud

An Independence Township resident cancelled a credit card after finding it had been used to make about \$88 in unauthorized Internet purchases in Minnesota and Luxemburg, Europe, Jan. 10.

Friend warrant

A deputy checked the license plate of a car at Dixie and Deerhill Drive, 2:33 a.m., Jan. 13, finding the owner, a 48-year-old Springfield Township man, had a Friend of the Court warrant. He was stopped and arrested.

Thief on a spending spree

An Independence Township woman dropped a credit card at a local gas station, Jan. 15. Someone found it and used it to buy almost \$3,000 in items from four technology and clothing stores.

Racer

A 24-year-old Waterford Township man driving a pickup peeled out in front of a sheriff's deputy on patrol, 11:15 p.m., Jan. 16, at Dixie and Maybee Road. He said he was off work and in a hurry to get home. The deputy cited him for drag racing because it looked like he was trying to race another car.

Child left in car

A 28-year-old Independence Township woman was cited for leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle, 3:30 p.m., Jan. 21, in the 5000 block of Maybee Road. At least two witnesses called police to report the child left outside in a car with a dog in 11-degree weather.

Illegal aliens

Deputies investigated a citizen complaint of two restaurant employees pouring grease down storm sewers in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway, 5 p.m., Jan. 18. The employees, a 29-year-old Pontiac man and 27-year-old Clarkston man, said they were disposing of water, not grease. They also said they were citizens of Mexico, in the United States illegally, one for eight years, a decade for the other. Deputies forwarded a report to immigration enforcement.

Speeding with drugs

Stopping a speeding car at Dixie and Sashabaw Road, 2:09 a.m., Jan. 24, a deputy saw a baggie of marijuana on the vehicle's passenger-side floorboard. The driver, a 32-year-old Pontiac man, was cited for driving 67 mph in a 45 mph zone, as well as driving with a suspended license. The passenger, a 24-year-old Detroit man, was arrested for the drugs.

Got a winner

A deputy stopped a car at Dixie and White Lake Road, 2:33 a.m., Jan. 25, to check on its license plate. The driver, a 20-year-old Flint man, appeared nervous, so the deputy asked if he had any cocaine — the driver said no. Any heroin? No. Meth? No. Marijuana? The driver hesitated, prompting the deputy to call for a K9 search. The police dog found marijuana in the vehicle's center console.

Prescription fraud

Deputies are investigating a dental office employee for prescription fraud, Jan. 22, in the 6000 block of Bluegrass Drive. The employee, a 39-year-old Grand Blanc woman, allegedly used the doctor's name to call in prescriptions for pain medicine for herself.

Windows shot out

The back window of an SUV parked at Trillium Circle was broken, Jan. 24. A vehicle's driver's side window was shot out in the 5000 block of Shannon Lane, Jan. 24.

Police car hit

A 22-year-old Clarkston man drove his pickup through a blinking red light at Dixie and Maybee Road, 12:22 a.m., Jan. 28, and hit a deputy driving north. The 22-year-old, who was cited for failure to yield, and his passenger were taken to POH-Pontiac for treatment. The deputy was not injured.

Any information on these or any other case, call Crime Stoppers of Southeast Michigan at 1-800-SPEAK UP, or Oakland County Sheriff's Office CRIME TIPLINE, 888-TURN-1-IN OR 1-888-887-6146.

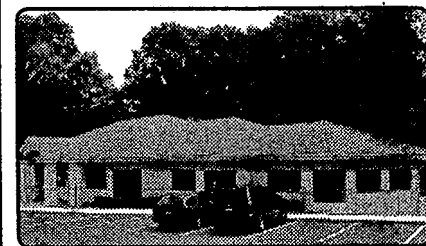


A deputy's dashboard camera captures the moment a pickup truck smashes into his cruiser, 12:22 a.m., Jan. 28, on Dixie Highway.

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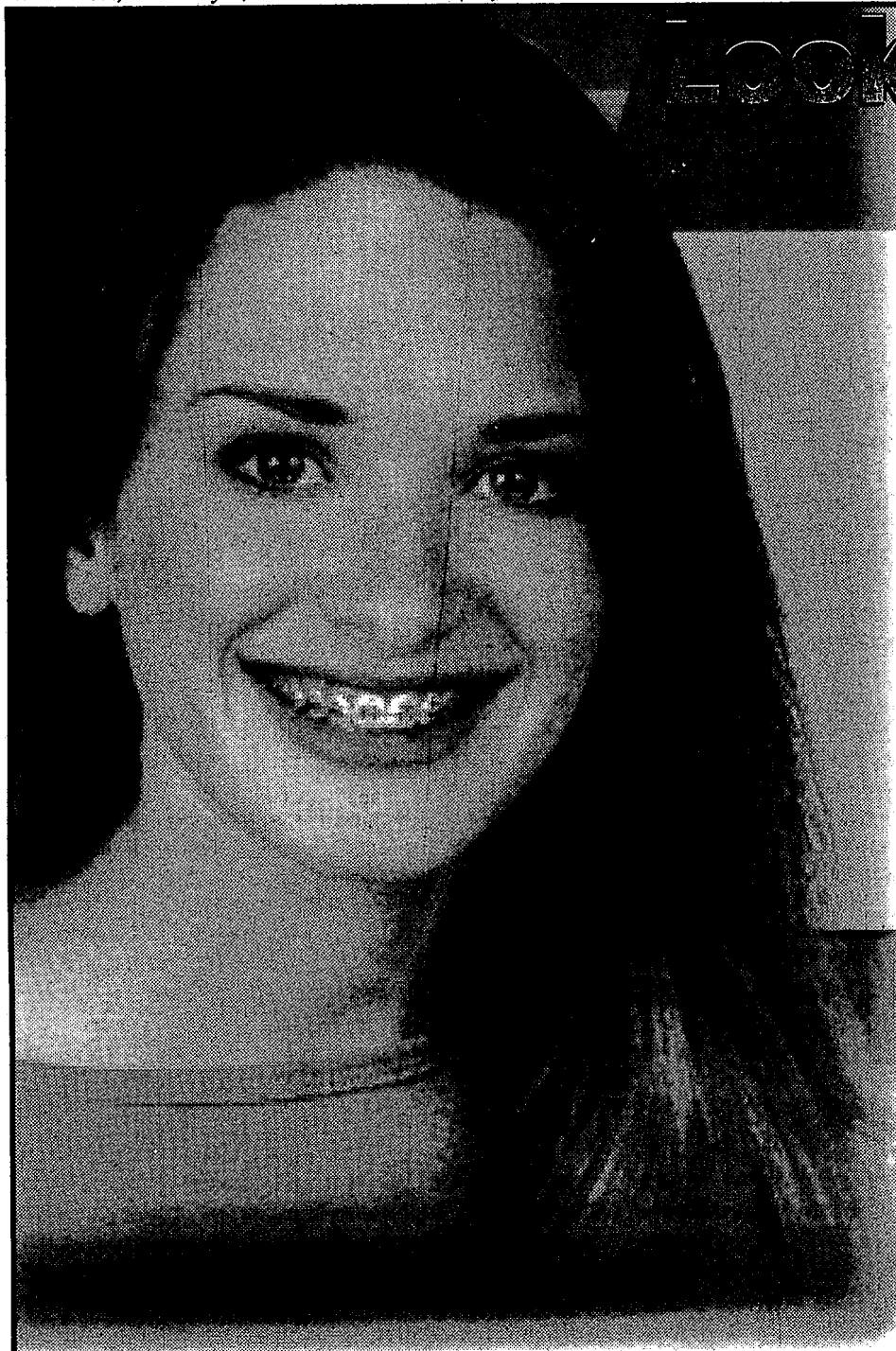
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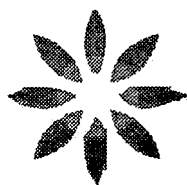
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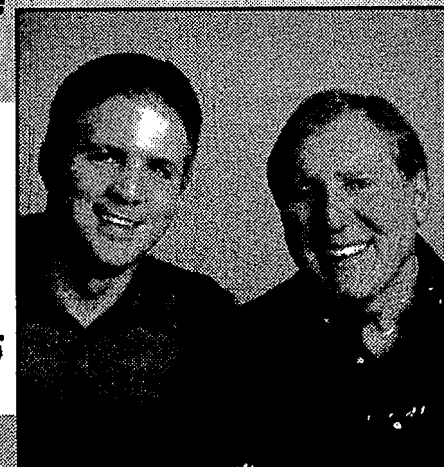
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Cagers look forward to Southfield rematch

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Cagers gave West Bloomfield their second loss in the OAA Red last Thursday, beating the home team 60-50.

"Defensively we were pretty good," said long-time Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Dan Fife. "Offensively we still struggled a little bit.

The game was close as the Wolves held the lead going into the final quarter and six points separated the two teams.

Senior Matt Dellinger and junior Nick Tatu worked together to get Clarkston ahead on the board.

They opened up the quarter defending against West Bloomfield and moving in on the ball - stealing possession led by Tatu.

The end of the chain reaction was a basket from Dellinger. The boys continued striking on offense and went on a 16-2 point run - with points from Max Collins and 10 consecutive points from Tatu.

Tatu finished the night with 19 points, five assists and three steals.

Dellinger had 13 points for the night along with seven assists and four steals.

"Dellinger gave us a huge lift, especially in the pressbreakers," said Fife.

Senior Marcus Hardy led on the defensive end, keeping the Lakers leading player low on points.

Hardy finished with 12 points and eight rebounds.

The following day the boys headed to the gym to put in one more practice before the weekend.

"It is a lot easier to come to practice with a smile on your face when you win even though you might have won ugly," said Fife.

"We have lost a lot of close games. The fact we won is a little bit better. We are upbeat a bit more. They are not dealing with negative and all the thoughts of losing."

But the close match-up against West Bloomfield was still Fife's mind as the boys get ready for the upcoming tough week.

"I didn't think it was where our effort should be but you are going to have those games time to time," he said. "It takes just a little bit more to respond and mentally stay focused all the time. It is tough. They are still young varsity players and sometimes they don't realize the significance of being mentally ready to play at all times."

The Wolves played Southfield-Lathrup on Tuesday night looking to improve their 6-5 overall record and a boost from their 4-2 in

the OAA Red.

The boys continued the league play on Tuesday against Southfield-Lathrup.

"They are always good against us," said Fife before the game. "They have been good in the past. They have a good coach. I don't expect different."

They host Southfield and hope for vengeance after their 63-60 loss to the Bluejays on Jan. 4.

"The games are going to be tough from now on out and they should be," said Fife. "We are going into our second time around with each team in the OAA Red and this is what you play through."

Southfield is leading the league with one loss. The Wolves still have their eyes on the league championship even if it means they tie for first.

"It will be interesting," said Fife. "The fate of us being able to tie for the league is in our hands. This is a very tough league this year - a lot of inconsistencies on all the teams."

The boys host Troy on Tuesday, Feb. 8.

JV begins at 5:30 p.m. and varsity follows for the home games at Clarkston High School.

Worried about weather cancellations? Check www.ClarkstonNews.com or our Facebook page for updates.



Matt Dellinger reaches up to score.
Photo by Larry Wright

Athlete of the Week

Tatu excels on and off court

BY JOEY GOSS
Special to The Clarkston News

Junior Nick Tatu has taken over the role of Clarkston High School Boys Varsity Basketball's traditional sharpshooter.

He is averaging 17 points per game and is shooting a superior 88% from the free throw line this season.

Not only has Tatu been a terrific scorer for the Wolves but he has been a shut-down defender and excellent rebounder. Tatu's success should not have shocked anyone who knew his passion and love for basketball.

He started playing basketball in first grade when his older brother, Tom, got him interested.

"My brother started playing basketball in third grade. He used to take me to his practices where I would shoot around and occasionally scrimmage with his team. It became a routine and I went to every one of his practices, shooting and trying to become as good as my brother," said Nick.

It is this drive and motivation making Nick into the player he is today. By third

grade he was on his own basketball team but not with kids from his own school.

"From first to eighth grade I went to Holly schools, basketball is not very big in Holly and when a family friend from Clarkston asked me to join their basketball team. I loved the idea," said Nick.

Nick not only played with Clarkston kids but he became very close friends with them. They would take him to the high school games and eventually got him to play in McGrath.

"I became attached to Clarkston basketball and wanted to play for Coach (Dan) Fife. So before my freshman year I transferred to Clarkston," said Nick.

Nick, now an official Clarkston Wolf, shined immediately when he made the varsity team his freshman year. He received very little play time but gained experience and saw firsthand what it took to be a great shooter from former Clarkston standout, Brandon Pokley.

"Pokley was one of the best shooters I've ever seen," said Nick. "I try to follow his lead and work just as hard. I took 500

shots every day during the summer along with ball handling drills and weightlifting."

Nick he works just as hard off the court - he has two class periods of CSM-Tech.

Then, has psychology and economics, followed by racquet sports "to make the day more fun," said Nick, who has a 3.0 GPA.

Nick hopes to take his basketball skills to the next level and play in college. He is currently talking to three universities.

"Right now I'm just focusing on being the best player I can and helping the team win," said Nick.

Tatu is also a role model for many young kids who have dreams of growing up and playing for the high school.

"When I was kid my biggest heroes were the varsity basketball players, it's weird to think that now they look up to me," said Nick.

"The best advice I could give to them is to work as hard as you can. Time goes by fast. You want to make the most out of the time given to you and not look back wondering what could have happened."




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Sweet defeat adds to Dragon rivalry

BY NICK LOOMIS
Special to The Clarkston News

Lake Orion's senior night was all but memorable for them as they lost 5-2 in a dominating performance by the Clarkston Wolves varsity hockey team.

Not only did Clarkston blow out their biggest rivals, they also clinched a playoff spot with the victory.

"It was the biggest crowd we had all year," said senior Connor Hughes.

The bleachers were packed shoulder to shoulder and the 'jungle' was standing up cheering the Wolves the whole game.

It was almost as if the extra fan base ignited both teams from the opening faceoff.

"We didn't really change the gameplan going into tonight, we just played our game," said senior captain Dillon Drayer.

As the puck dropped to begin the game, both teams came out skating hard.

After a few missed shots by Lake Orion, the Wolves got a good opportunity on the net.

At the 10:34 mark in the first period, junior Brad Pizzey received a pass in front of the net for a top shelf goal.

The jungle went crazy and from that point on, the rivalry game was on.

Every hit delivered by each team made the crowd cringe and players were

throwing their bodies to block every puck.

Lake Orion's Corbin Rainey tied the game just before the first period ended, but that was the last time the Dragons made the game competitive.

The Wolves opened up the second period with a goal by senior Austin Morse, making it 2-1.

Although it seemed like the Dragons had the puck in the Wolves' zone for most of the second period, whenever Clarkston got a scoring chance, they capitalized.

At the 6:11 mark Drayer broke away for a one-on-one opportunity with the goalie and scored, making the game 3-1.

Clarkston's offense pulled through when needed, however a lot of pressure was put on freshman goalie Jack Viazanko.

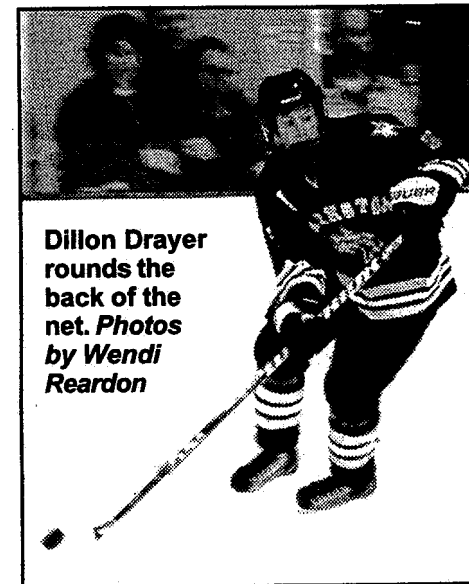
"There is a little bit of pressure being a freshman and a goalie, but I try not to focus on that pressure, I just push it aside and play along with my team," said Viazanko, who saved 36 shots on the net.

Lake Orion looked worn down after making consecutive goal stopping saves.

Clarkston added one more goal, this time from Adam Larkin, before the period came to an end, putting them up 4-1 going into the third.

Both teams looked drained in the third, seeking to end the game.

Lake Orion scored once more with 12:38 left putting



Dillon Drayer rounds the back of the net. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Austin Morse celebrates.

the score at 4-2.

Clarkston reacted by icing the cake with a goal of their own at 1:32 to go in the game with one Dragon in the penalty box.

While Lake Orion maintained control in the Wolves' territory goalie Horton Shawn skated towards the Dragons' box to bring an extra man in.

The action didn't go unnoticed by Clarkston and Morse took a shot. The puck landed in the back of the net as Shawn reached out and landed flat on the ice.

With the final score of 5-2 in favor of the Clarkston Wolves, they hope to ride the momentum of this victory in games to come, including the upcoming playoffs in March.

"This win will really shoot us into the playoffs. I think we'll make it pretty far this year," said Drayer.

Lady Wolves stay close to OAA foe

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Junior Megan Hastings led the Lady Cagers as they battled Southfield Lathrup in their OAA Red league match last Friday.

Her 23 points scored during the game aided the team but Southfield Lathrup remained undefeated in the league, winning 48-42.

"She did a great job of handling the point guard responsibilities," said Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball Head Coach Tim Wasilk. "She played with a lot of mental toughness throughout the entire game.

"It was by far the best game she has played since she has been with us since she joined us in her freshman year. She has been playing exceptionally well since Christmas break."

Hastings shot five 3-pointers for the night and went 6-7 at the free throw line.

While she was ranking on the points on offense, Christina Jokisch, Anna Manilla, Tori Trimmer and Delaney Kenny were defending against Lathrup's two 6'1" centers - Ginnesica Lawler and Amber McCann.

"They did a nice job defensively against them," said Wasilk. "They only scored ten points a piece."

Both teams remained tied at the end of the first and second quarter - both scoring 19 points on the other by half time.

Lathrup pulled ahead in the third quarter, leading by three points and turned on the pressure on Clarkston's offense.

"It resulted on some easy baskets for them," said Wasilk.

Clarkston made it within one point in the

last minute but Southfield Lathrup pulled ahead to win the game.

"It was a game we really wanted to win. The girls came focused and ready to play," said Wasilk.

Kenny added six points to the board and had eight rebounds and three steals.

The girls played Southfield on Tuesday and host Troy-Athens on Thursday night.

"We have won six of the last seven games," said Wasilk, looking forward to this week. "We have been playing good basketball and hope to continue. We have really good depth this year. We have a lot of players that can contribute. It has been nice to use multiple players on game nights. Each night we have had someone different step up every night.

JV begins at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.



Roman Kinal, Paul Washe and Mitch Lewandowski, with their Little Caesars '98 Head Coach Frank Scarpaci, are ready for Quebec. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Icers represent the best

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Three hockey players from Sashabaw Middle School are ready to cross the border and go to Canada.

Seventh-grader Mitch Lewandowski and sixth-graders Roman Kinal and Paul Washe, along with their Little Caesars '98 hockey team are competing in the 52nd Quebec International Pee-Wee Hockey Tournament.

"The tournament is the world series of little league for hockey," said Frank Scarpaci, head coach. "Our team has been building for this for five years. It is always a goal to win every tournament we go into. We are a good enough team it shouldn't be too much of a stretch to think we could possibly do it."

The team can do it - especially after clinching their second consecutive Tier 1 League Championship after winning each of their four games in the league showcase.

The three anticipate a lot of competition and experience from the teams they will face in Quebec.

"The competition is going to be the best in the world," said Scarpaci, adding countries in their 20-team bracket are Russia, Slovakia and the Czech Republic in the AA Elite Division, the highest division.

Over 75 teams are going to play in Quebec in the five different divisions from Feb. 10-20.

All three bring something different to Little Caesars '98 to help the team succeed. Lewandowski, in his five years on the team, brings leadership and competing well. Kinal brings energy and Washe admitted he brings some feistiness to the game.

"We are a better team than most anyone else in the country whether we match up tal-

ent wise or not," said Scarpaci. "What all of our boys bring is an extremely high work ethic - that is where our success comes from. Everyone on our team plays a role, we have specific things we try to accomplish as a team. Basically our motto is 'everyone pulls the wagon in the same direction.'"

The boys will play in the Pepsi Coliseum in a crowd from 6,000 to 10,000 during the games. The championship will have up to 18,000 people in the stands.

They play the New Jersey Colonials in their first game. It will air on television and the team will be asked to sign autographs and do television and radio interviews.

"It's an honor," said Kinal. "Usually you are the one asking for autographs. When we go out there we will be asked to sign."

The boys have already practiced, Scarpaci added. They signed frisbees before they went on the ice for warm-ups a few weeks ago.

The boys are focused to go and win the tournament. It is also the first year they will allow checking in the tournament.

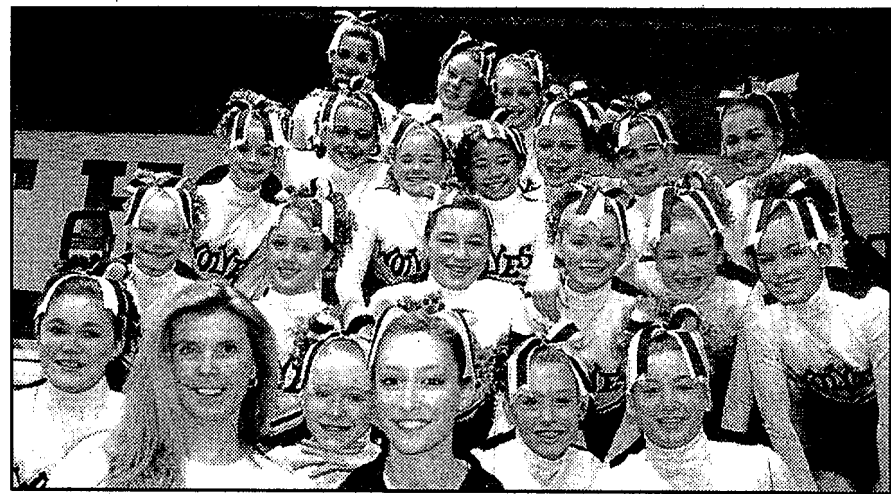
"We have the determination to be the best," said Lewandowski.

"This is an extremely big deal," said Scarpaci. "You can talk to any player in the NHL right now making millions of dollars a year and ask them about their moments. If they haven't won a Stanley Cup they will talk about attending this tournament as being one of the highlights of their hockey career."

"We will probably remember it for the rest of our lives," said Washe.

"It will be a lot of fun," added Kinal.

Washe is the son of Paul and Lori, Kinal is the son of Roman and Cheryl and Lewandowski is the son of Bob Lewandowski and Jill Stout.



The team includes Coach Mary Hubble, Assistant Coach Anna Foes, Rebecca Milao, Hannah Wilson, Mollie Gram, Jennifer Checkowsky, Brianna Callahan, Bailey Carter, Halley Sosnowski, Gabby Cantu, Abby Wilson, Lydia Hall, Alyse Richards, Julia Smail, Caylee Price, Kayla Saplala, Taylor McKay, Elizabeth Sheill, Emily Kreski, Marisa Jacobs, Alex Ottman, and McKenna Seibert. Photo submitted

7th-graders 3-peat cheer champs

The seventh grade cheerleaders from Sashabaw Middle School are three-time Cheer Champions.

They took first place in both rounds at the Bobcat Cheer Classic at Grand Blanc High School on Jan. 29.

With two highly difficult and flawless

rountines, the team significantly out-scored Grand Blanc, Davison and Goodrich seventh grade teams. Overall they out-scored all 7th/8th combined teams, 8th grade teams and the only two high school freshman teams, Grand Blanc and Carman Ainsworth. Congratulations!

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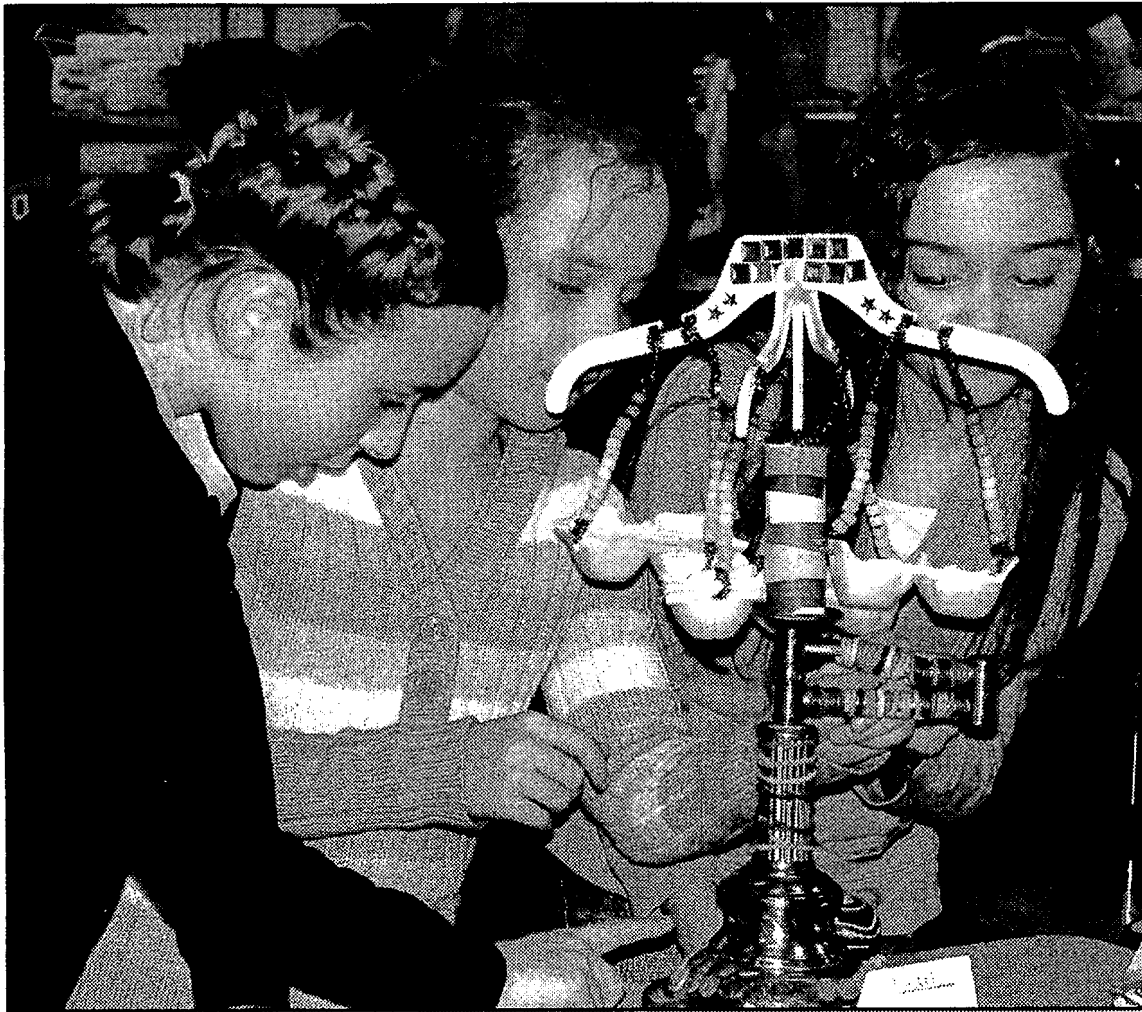
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From left, Ashleigh Orlowski, Kiran Stump and Mackenzie Sweeten check out Stump's invention.



Julia Ruggirello made this toy oven out of a cardboard box, paper plates, and other materials.



Chase Landis and Nicolas Asselin display their robots.



Third Graders Martin Roe, left, and Tyler Pabst check out an all-terrain creation.

Finding new uses

Empty cans, bottles, and boxes sent off for recycling – what good is any of that stuff?

Plenty, Andersonville Elementary students learned, making tools, toys, and other products from the cast offs.

Third graders demonstrated what they learned at their Recycled Invention Science Fair, Jan. 20.

"This is the cumulative activity for our recycling unit," said Angela Comp, third grade teacher. "They just love it. It's a chance to be creative, show off what they're thinking and help save the planet."

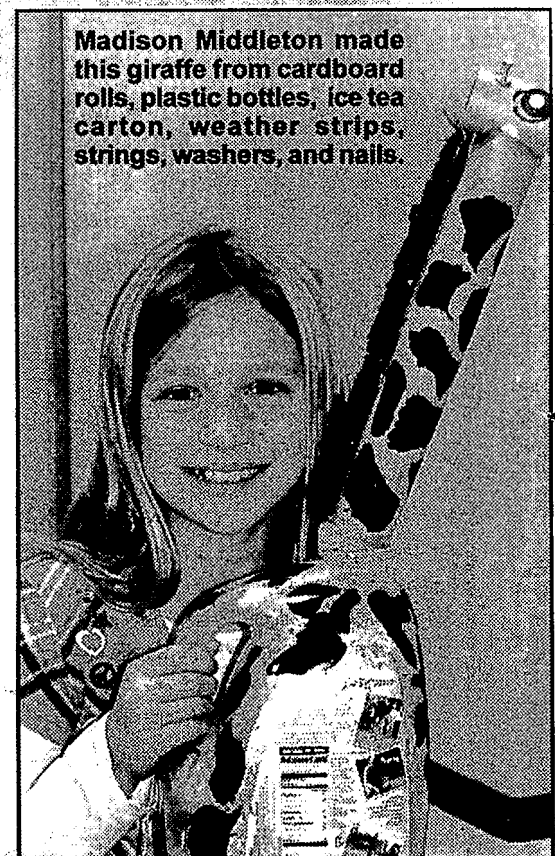
Third-grader Betsey Walkowiak made a small-dog getaway, using cardboard, leftover paint, pieces from an old shelving unit, and bowls made from cut-down two-liter soda bottles.

"My dog kept eating grandma's little dog's food, so I made this," Walkowiak said. "He goes into it all the time."

"It's better than just throwing away stuff – use it to make newer things," said Luke Wiley, who made a Recycle Ball game out of bottle caps, twist ties, and styrofoam.

"I learned everyone can help the environment – not cut down as many trees as before," Walkowiak said.

Madison Middleton made this giraffe from cardboard rolls, plastic bottles, ice tea carton, weather strips, strings, washers, and nails.



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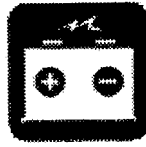
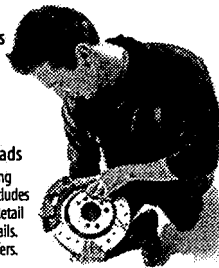
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"Green Bay. I like the way they've been playing. I love their fans - they have great fans out there."



- Rich McGowen

"Both can lose - I'm a Lions season ticket holder. The Packers beat us to a pulp and the Steelers are just too good. It's not fair."



- Kevin Juzysta

"The Bears, but they didn't quite do it."



- Steve Rusnak

"Green Bay. The Steelers have won a couple recently. The Packers are due."



- Jeff Anderson

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30 years of service to the township

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

In 1980, former Independence Township Treasurer Fred Ritter was looking for a deputy treasurer. In his search he found a woman he described as "invaluable." Her name was Lillian Jawlik.

Ritter asked all the bank managers with which the township did business if they had any recommendations for a deputy. One of the banks was Pontiac State Bank.

"Lil was a teller there and I knew Lil real well because I'd been making deposits there for the past two years as township treasurer, all of the sudden it hit me," he said. "Lil would be a good deputy because I knew how efficient she was with the employees at the bank."

Ritter said he called Branch Manager Marty Wheeler at home to inquire about Jawlik for deputy treasurer.

"She said to me 'you can't have her.' That's when I said to Marty 'Since you said I can't have her, I know she's exactly the one I want, because you don't want to give her up, but I won't approach her without your permission.'"

Upon permission, Ritter asked Jawlik and she accepted the offer. She worked for Ritter for four years.

"She was great and did a great job with helping me keep that office together," Ritter said. "She was a day-to-day nuts and bolts person."

Jawlik assisted three more treasurers following Ritter, including John Lutz, Jim Wenger, and current Treasurer Curt Carson.

Friends, family and co-workers joined Jawlik at Independence Township Hall on Jan. 27 to celebrate her "over 30 years of selfless service and dedication to the residents of the charter township of Independence."

Lutz, who served from 1984 to 1996, said she was his "favorite deputy treasurer."

"I had a lot of good years with her, 12 to be



Treasurers John Lutz, Curt Carson, and Jim Wenger celebrate the retirement after 30 years of Deputy Treasurer Lillian Jawlik. Photo by Trevor Keiser

exact," Lutz said. "She was a great employee and going to be a real loss to the township, it's that experience and knowledge she has."

Wenger who served as treasurer from 1996 to 2008 said he was "fortunate" to have Jawlik while he served.

"The thing I'll remember most about Lil is her unbelievable dedication to the job, her unbelievable skill levels she performed. There were days she was so sick you'd think you got to go, but when tax season came, when things were to be done, I always knew she was there," Wenger said. "She is an incredibly talented individual and an incredibly nice individual which was all the better for her being here, while I was here."

Carson said Jawlik has been "a fixture" around the township for 30 years.

"What a great help when I came on board

two years ago. She said, 'Curt, I'll get you through the first tax season,' which had already started. Thankfully she stuck around for a couple years and decided I wasn't such a bad guy I guess or maybe she changed her mind," Carson said with a laugh.

Longtime friend Linda Owen, who is a former treasurer for Brandon Township and current deputy treasurer for Hadley Township, said she admires Jawlik.

"Lil has been a great, great mentor, somebody to look up to when you just came to the job. She couldn't have asked for better guys to work for, she always complimented them on what she did," Owen said. "That's one good thing as a (deputy) treasurer, the person you work for. If you don't work with somebody good, you're not good."

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Super Bowl XLV Party, 5:30 p.m., Feb. 6, St. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw Road.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one, 7 p.m., Feb. 8. Topic: "Valentine's Day," led by a Bereavement Counselor from Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Carriage House in Clintonwood Park, Clarkston Road. Free. Walk-ins welcome. 248-625-5231.

Yoga, The Workshop, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Feb. 12, Clarkston Hot Yoga, 5678 Sashabaw Road. \$40 per person. Senior Yoga Instructor Zeek Vincent of Vegas Hot Yoga. 248-620-7101.

Relay for Life of Clarkston Planning Committee, 5:45-6:45 p.m., Feb. 16, March 16, April 13, May 4, Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. Relay, May 21-22. 248-625-9182.

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.

Around Town



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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

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

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

Wednesday

Dinner and Euchre Evening, third Wednesday, Jan. 19-Feb. 16. Prizes awarded to first-, second-, third-place winners. \$10. Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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.

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 Mon-

day 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. Caregivers, 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.

Creative Writing Workshop, Fridays, 9-10:30 a.m., through Feb. 25. Explore ways to avoid writer's block through creative exercises. Open to everyone who loves to write. \$12 per person. Independence Township Senior
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Lillian Jawlik thanks family and friends for the party. Photo by Trevor Keiser

Retirement plans include Rockies trip

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Ritter was out of town and sorry he was unable to attend the party.

"She worked for the township for 30 years," he said. "It's time for her to sit down, relax, and have some fun."

Jawlik's son, Bill, Jr., called his mom's 30 years an "accomplishment."

"All of her bosses were elected officials and they could have done whatever they wanted," he said. "But they chose to keep her around this many years."

He also said she was a "great mom."

"It was great to have her working close to by," he said. "She could always come to the games and pick me up from school. She had a lot of time for us."

Sister Jackie (Jawlik) Mack agreed.

"She puts up with a lot of stuff from us kids, even in our older ages and she would do anything for any of us, Jackie said. "She also put a lot of time into this township. She would work holidays when she didn't have to, so this (retirement) is going to be good for her."

Lillian said she and her husband, Bill, Sr., have a trip planned to go to the Canadian Rockies this summer with some friends.

"We've been married for over 48 years, we've only taken two or three vacations together," Bill said. "Now we'll have a chance to do something together."

With a smile on her face Lil said she's enjoyed the past 30 years.

"I have lifelong friendships and acquaintances. The treasurers have been great to me, they are all individuals and I've loved working for all of them," she said. "It went by fast, too fast. Anybody who's going to retire pretty soon hang in there, you'll know when it's your time and this is my time."



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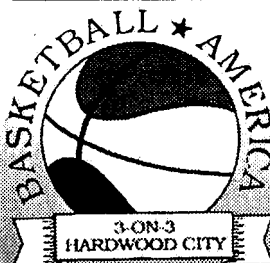
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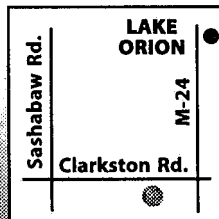


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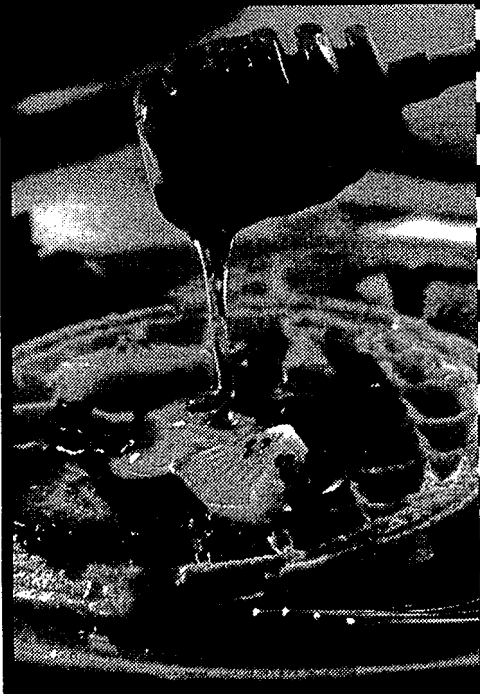
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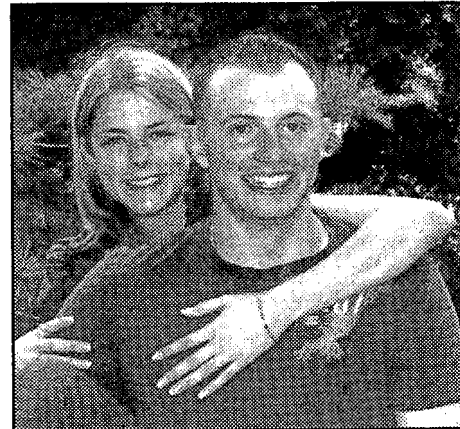
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Patric is a 2005 graduate of Clarkston High School. He graduated from Norwich University in Vermont in 2009 and is a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army, based in Fort Campbell, Ky. He is currently deployed in Kuwait.

Jessica graduated from Jennison High School in 2005 and Michigan State University in 2009. She currently is a general accountant for the Canadian Division of Gordon Food Services.

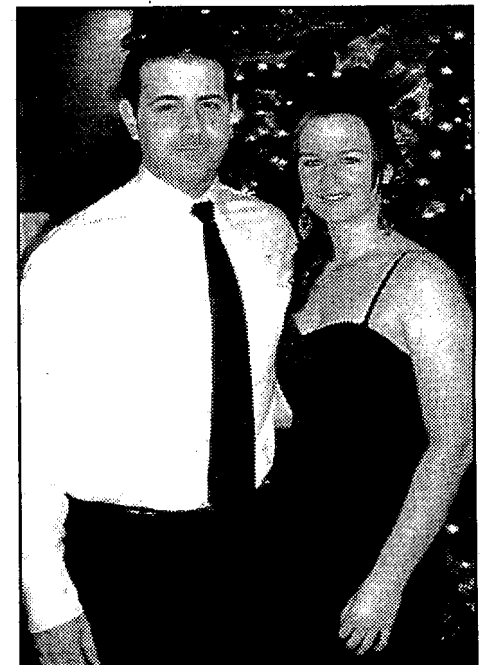
The couple will be married in August 2011 in Grand Rapids. The newlyweds will live in Tennessee after their honeymoon.

Serving our country

Navy Seaman Recruit **Maxmilian S. Hefty** recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Hefty completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

Hefty, a 2010 graduate of Clarkston High School, is the son of Monica and Britton Hefty of Clarkston.



Christian and Andrea

Holland-Paul

Andrea Holland and Christian Paul of Clarkston are pleased to announce their engagement to be married.

The bride to be is the daughter of Rick and Tina Holland of Independence Township. The future groom is the son of Kathy Paul of Springfield Township and Jeffrey Paul of Ohio.

An October wedding is planned.

Welcome, Benjamin

Troy and Cortney Smith of Portland, Mich., formerly of Clarkston, welcome their son Benjamin Morris Smith, born Nov. 18, 2010, birth weight 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

Benjamin's grandparent are Doug and Connie Smith of Portland, Mich.; Steve and Lila Roberts of White Lake, Mich.; and Kim Banycky and Mike Zwack of Kasilof, Alaska.

Great-grandparent are Jerry Hoppes of Portland, Mich., Leona Banycky of Pontiac Mich., and Gerry Roberts of Lapeer, Mich.

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Religion

Faith doesn't mean no more questions

My journey of faith has had its ups and downs over the years.

Following Jesus I have been on mountaintops when God seemed so close that I could almost reach out and touch him and everything seemed clear. However at other times along the journey I have walked through deep and difficult valleys where God seemed very far away and I have struggled with doubt and despair.

For each of us the journey of faith includes days in which we feel close to God. At such times God's will for us seems clear and our faith is strong and sure. Yet at other times we struggle with doubts and questions. During these times God can seem far away, almost as if the connection has been lost. We might even wonder if God is listening to us anymore.

Of course I believe that God never leaves us (see Psalm 23), and I trust that God is with us in all the seasons of life. Yet as people of faith how do we deal with doubts? Or, to put it another way, "Do I have enough faith

if I still have doubts sometimes?"

Doubting and questioning among God's people is nothing new. The Bible is filled with stories, not only of great faith, but also of those genuinely seeking and struggling to believe.

Of course the most well known example of doubting is Jesus' disciple. Thomas, whose very name has become synonymous with doubt. I've always thought this unfair, as in many other situations Thomas showed great faith and courage as he tried to follow Jesus (see John 11:16 & 14:5).

Like us, Thomas was a "mixed bag" of faith and doubt. And Thomas, like us, is just the kind of person Jesus meets where they are, loves and sends forth to share his Good News of love and grace with others.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Jonathan Heierman

Sometimes people of faith view doubt as simply bad or weak or sinful. Sometimes we may even try to suppress or deny it.

Pastor and theologian Helmut Thielicke suggests a different approach calling doubt "an envelope with a message inside it." To find the message we need first to open the envelope and explore it. In the end Thielicke says: "A Christian is not someone who doesn't doubt, but someone who doubts his doubts more than he doubts his faith." I think this means that faith is trusting God even in the midst of not having all the answers.

As part of the Nazi resistance in WWII he was speaking in the kind of very difficult life situation that causes one to ask questions and to wonder "where is God?" and "what are God's people to do?" But he chose to trust God anyway.

I have found in my own experience that when I open the "envelope" and wrestle with my questions and doubts, my faith is not diminished,

but instead it grows. Certainly doubt left unaddressed can lead to despair and unbelief. However in the context of prayer, a community of faith, and God's Word we can grow and mature in faith even as we wrestle with our doubts. In fact what often emerges from these efforts is a deep, authentic, gutsy faith that can stand up to the tough circumstances of life, trusting God in the midst of them, even if we don't have all the answers.

Frederick Buechner in his book *Wishful Thinking* put it so well when he said, "Doubts are the ants in the pants of faith. They keep it awake and moving."

I still don't have all the answers to all my questions and doubts. I still have my list of questions I want to ask Jesus when I get to heaven. But in the midst of all of that, I also have a growing faith and a deepening relationship with Jesus. And above all I know that God loves me!

The Rev. Jonathan Heierman is pastor of Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church.

In our churches...

Visions of a Universal Humanity, Barbara Marx Hubbard's latest video, 7 p.m., Feb. 4, Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

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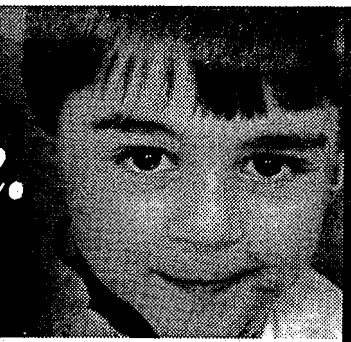
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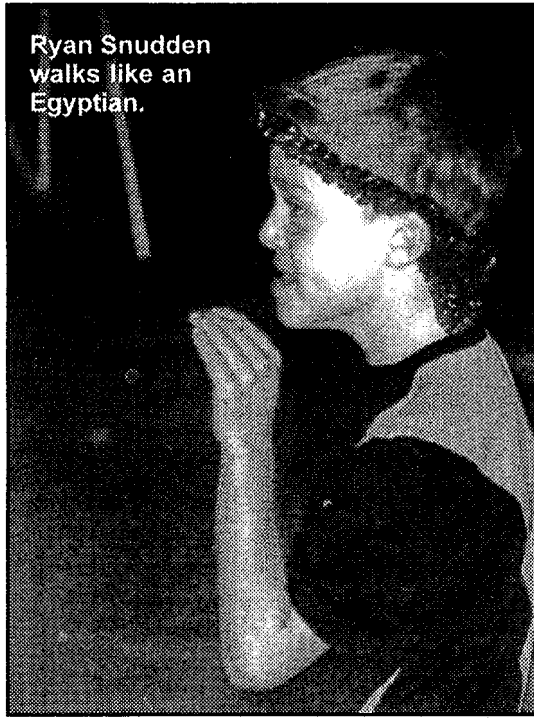
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Emily Herrmann gets into the Chicken Dance.

Tropical getaway

The weather outside was chilly but inside Clarkston Elementary students were wearing grass skirts and Hawaiian shirts for their Luau Dance on Jan. 21. They danced and sang to their favorite songs.



Ryan Snudden walks like an Egyptian.



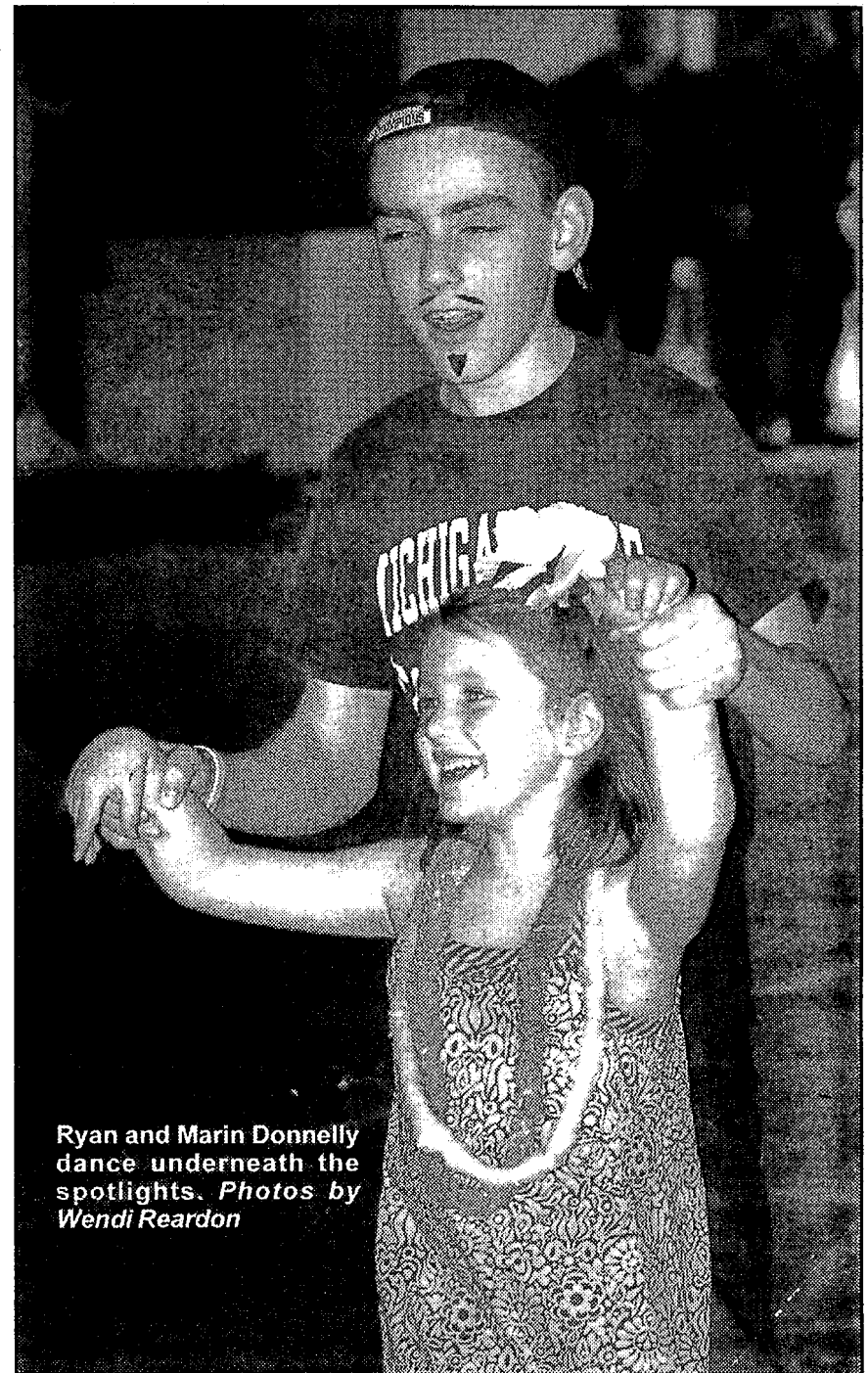
Lila Ninotti, Brady Wilson and Marianna Angelosanto enjoy fun times with friends and classmates.



The girls sing the words to Taylor Swift's "You Belong to Me."



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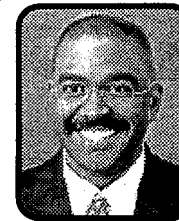
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Youth Coalition works to ease teen transition

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Entering their teenage years as well as a new school, junior high can be a tough time for students.

Their soon-to-be classmates offered survival tips from the trenches at Transition Day, Jan. 25.

"They're all in this together – they need to rely on each other, not just their friends," said Karen Vangilder, president elect for Clarkston Coalition for Youth.

The coalition of parents, schools, and community groups hosted the fifth-annual event for about 600 seventh-grade student.

Junior high Leadership students prepared and organized several role-playing activities, games, and skits.

"This gave the Leadership students an opportunity to be leaders," Vangilder said. "They wrote the skits based on real situations, to give seventh graders tools to be successful. The Leadership students really stepped up."

Issues included bullying, from the perspective of bullies and those bullied, prescription and illegal drug abuse, good and bad choices, and social interactions and relationships.

"Bullying is a big issue," said Allison Farrelly, community organizer with Clarkston Coalition for Youth.

Tips for dealing with bullies include finding



John Paddock, Leadership Team teacher at Clarkston Junior High School, kicks off Transition Day for soon-to-be eighth graders. Photo provided by Sean Farrelly.

an adult in authority, and also making a stand if necessary, Farrelly said.

"The old way was to just walk away from bullying," she said. "Now, stand up for yourself, but there's a right way to do it."

"If it's ignored, that can reinforce it," Vangilder said.

For bystanders, they worked on stepping forward as a group to stop bullying.

"Instead of standing by, be more vocal – empower children to be more active," Farrelly said.

From the bully's perspective, they considered why they do it.

"Many don't realize they're bullying, and won't until someone stands up and says it's not right," Vangilder said.

Students also played Telephone, whispering progressively garbled messages from one to another, to illustrate how rumors quickly distort information, and watched a skit on the pitfalls of Facebook communication.

"All these ideas came from Leadership students," Farrelly said.

Coalition volunteers will also be at the Family Health and Fitness Expo, Feb. 5, at the Community Education Building.

"We will be presenting information about developmental assets and other resources available for parents and other concerned citizens," Farrelly said.

Other projects include the Sticker Shock program, in which volunteers go to local stores and label alcoholic beverages with reminders about underage drinking laws.

In May, they will work with Sashabaw Middle School Leadership students on Transition Day for fifth graders.

For high school seniors, they will present information on good choices at spring break and graduation parties. They also offer three \$500 scholarships – two at Clarkston High School and the other at Renaissance High School. Students can get applications at the High School Counseling Office, available mid February.

Clarkston Coalition for Youth is a non-profit, grass-roots organization founded in 1995 and funded by Oakland County Health Division, Office of Substance Abuse, along with private and business donations.

"We partner with the community and schools to support nurturing, healthy environment for kids to grow up in," Vangilder said. "We'd love to have more community involvement."

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Ward W. Hingst, 77

Ward W. Hingst of Waterford passed peacefully on Jan. 25, 2011, at the age of 77, at home surrounded by family.

He was the loving husband of Mary for 52 years; father of Deborah (Mike) McAlpin of Rochester, NY, Karen Hingst, John (Joyce) Hingst and Brian Hingst, all of Waterford; proud grandfather of Michael McAlpin, Christina McAlpin, Jim Hingst, and Lauren Hingst. He is also survived by stepmother Margaret Hingst, brothers Dean and Ray Hingst, and sisters Kathel Doll, Julie Berg, Jean Littke and Carrie Hingst; preceded in death by brother Lee Hingst and sisters Vonda Lou Anderson and Glenda Gwynn.

Mr. Hingst was a radar operator in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He had a fulfilling career as an electrical technician with General Motors for 31 years. He was an active member of the Clarkston Knights of Columbus and the usher's club at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially panfishing on the area lakes.

He coached many youngsters on the finer points of fishing and will be missed as a fishing buddy. He found great joy in watching his children and grandchildren participate in school sports. We will remember his warm smile and his service to others.

Knights of Columbus Rosary was Jan. 30 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Jan. 31 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford. Rite of Committal, Great Lakes National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

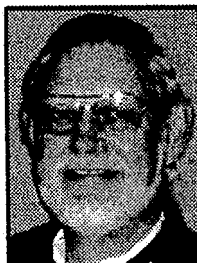
Maura Land, 89

Maura Land, "Nonna," of Waterford passed away, Jan. 24, 2011, at age 89.

She was preceded in death by her husband George. She was the mother of Al (Mary) of Waterford, Rick (Debbie) of Oakland, and Laura (William) Gardner of Waterford; Nonna of Kelly (Tyler) Sutton, Jennifer Land, Eric (Jessica) Land, Rebecca Land, Meagan (Kris) Keat, Nathan (Lisa) Land, Colin (Lindsay) Land, Heather (Jason) Piepho and Erica (Brian) Klein; great grandmother of Cameron, Jacob, Luke, Dalton, Brycen, Ashton, Sofia, Grace and Gabrielle.

Celebration of Life service was Jan. 28 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan.

Online guestbook, www.wintfuneralhome.com.



H. Lucille Rosewall, 88

H. Lucille Rosewall, "Lucy," of Waterford went to be with the Lord, Jan. 27, 2011, at age 88.

She was the loving wife of Keith for 42 years; beloved mother of John (Antoinette) Kampsen, and Kerry (Kim) Kampsen; step mother of Georgia Rosewall, Corinne Rosewall, and Gail Bierbower; grandmother of Laurel, Holly, Jeff, and Mark; great grandmother of Mack, Tate, Sayde, Audrey, Madeline, Hazel, and George. Mrs. Rosewall enjoyed playing golf, traveling and most importantly spending time with her family.

Memorial Service, 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 5 at Christ Lutheran Church, Waterford, where friends may visit 10 a.m. until time of service. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home - Cremation Services, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Garnet S. Smith, 91

Garnet Siebert Smith, "Smitty," of Waterford died Jan. 24, 2011, under the loving care of the staff at Lourdes Clausen Manor at 91 years of age.

He was born June 25, 1919, in Royal Oak, Mich., to the late Roy and Ethel (nee: Noble) Smith. He married the former Catherine Stiller in Pontiac on Sept. 7, 1943. He is survived by his wife Catherine; four sons, Robert (Lynn) Smith, Ronald (Jackie) Smith, Daniel (Debe) Smith and Richard (Tammy) Smith; three daughters, Patricia (Carl) Roselli, Mary "Kay" (Phillip) Batchelor, and Theresa (Jay) Delcamp; one brother, James Smith; 16 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by three brothers, John, Burton, and Billy Smith; and one sister Beverly Shekal. Mr. Smith graduated from Pontiac Central High School and served in the U.S. Army-Air Corp in World War II after which he returned to build the home he promised his wife. He retired from Addressograph Multigraph after 30 years of service and founded Pontiac Mailing Service which he passed on to his children.

He loved hunting, fishing, but baseball was his passion as he coached many school softball teams for his children. He was a lifetime member of the Waterford Elks #810, BPOE, Canada Creek Ranch in Atlanta, Mich., and a member of St. Benedict Catholic Church, Waterford, where the Mass of the Resurrection was held, Jan. 29. Visitation was Jan. 28 at Coats Funeral Home - Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Waterford. Memorial contributions may be made to Lourdes Clausen Manor. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Private condolences may be sent to the family by going to www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/Obituaries.



Michael Sutherland, 59

Michael W. Sutherland, "Mike," of Clarkston passed away, Jan. 25, 2011, at age 59.

He was the loving husband of Emily for 38 years; beloved father of Tina (Mark) Bowman and Jennifer Sutherland; proud pa of Tyler, Blake, and Walker; son of Ethel and the late Harry Sutherland; brother of Janet (Roy) Nason, Steve (Maria) Sutherland, John (Gale) Sutherland, and Bob (Barb) Sutherland; son-in-law of Lois and the late Gerald Henschel.

Mr. Sutherland was employed with the Flint office of Wright and Filippis for 29 years. Mike humbly served as a missionary in Nicaragua, Appalachia, South Africa, Brazil and Peru. Mike was the co-founder of ESTHERS Children serving children at risk internationally.

Visitation was Jan. 28 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Service was Jan. 29 at the Clarkston United Methodist Church. Private Interment Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to ESTHERS Children to continue Mike's work. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Arnold Brookshear, Sr.

Arnold L. Brookshear, Sr., born to Otis Lee Brookshear and Pauline Hudson on Dec. 9, 1935, went to our Lord on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011.

He was the soul mate to Jo-Anne for 54 wonder-filled years; proud father of Pam (Scott), A.J. (Vicki), with beautiful granddaughters Jessica, Bethany and Kylie; survived by dear sister, Bonita (Mark), brother Glenn (Mary), nieces and nephews; all very special to him.

Mr. Brookshear leaves precious cousins and relatives in his beloved home state of Tennessee; family and friends in the great state of Michigan; and warm friends and home in Florida, his dream for the future and pets (Beau and Lil) that warmed his heart and enlivened his days.

Employed at Mills Pharmacy for 47 years, Arnold fondly shared in the lives of many customers and friends. Proud member of the Elks (810) of Waterford. Arnold now has a firm grasp of the hand of Jesus.

A Celebration of Life is Friday, Feb. 4, at 5:30 p.m. at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford, followed by an Elks lodge of sorrow service. The family will receive friends Friday, 3-9 p.m. at the funeral home. Entombment All Saints Cemetery, Waterford. Memorial donations may be made to a humane society of your choice. To send a private condolence to the family go to www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/Obituaries.



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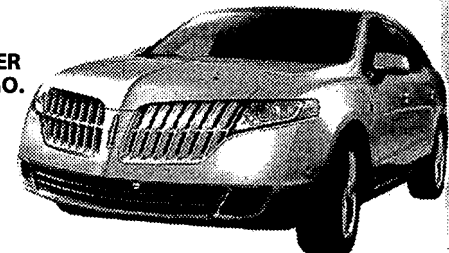
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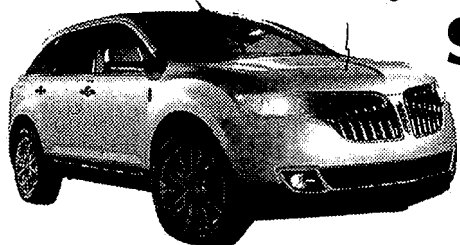
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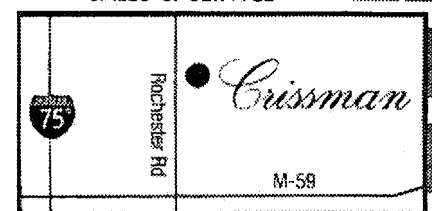
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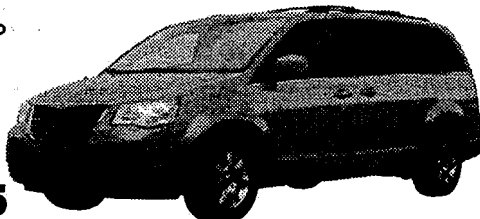
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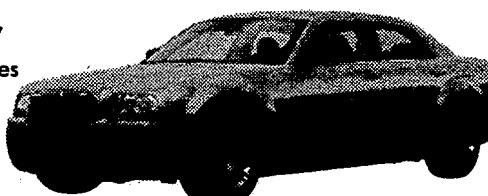
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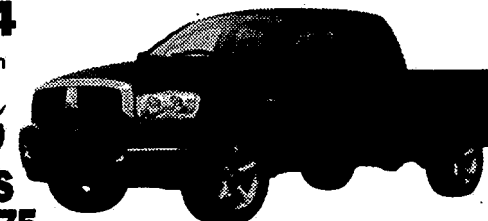
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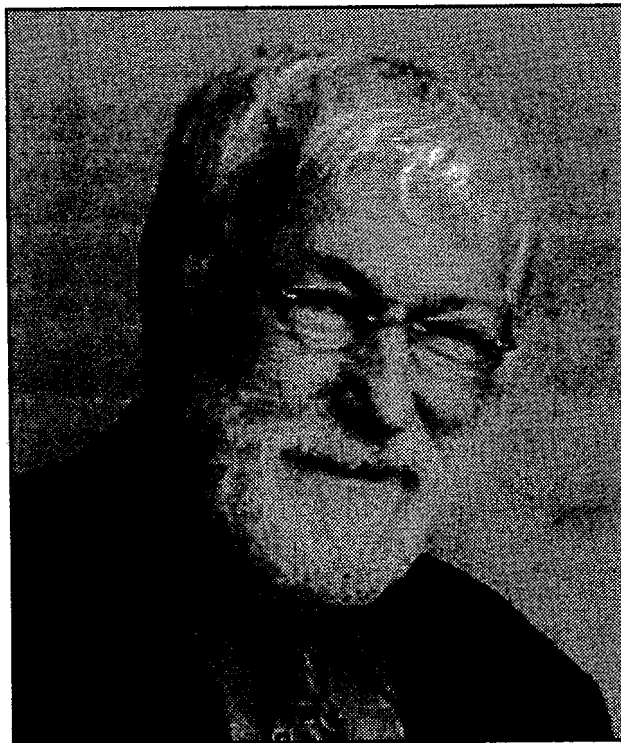
Happy New Year from Clarkston Medical Group!

We're very proud to announce that 2011 marks our 50th Anniversary! That's right, in 1961 our founder, Dr. James O'Neill, opened his practice. There's been a tremendous amount of change, both in Clarkston and in the field of medicine, but one man's mission of caring for this community has grown into an entire organization of people committed to your health.

Dr. O'Neill, my father, attended a one-room schoolhouse near the badlands in Williston, North Dakota. When he was only 16, he boarded a train for Minneapolis to begin college because, "there was no more they could teach him" in that little schoolhouse. In Minneapolis he attended St. Thomas College, and after just three years was accepted to the St. Louis University School of Medicine.

In 1958 at the age of 23, he graduated at the top of his class and became the youngest physician in the United States of America! He also met my mother, Mikel. They started a family that would grow to include six children and 14 grandchildren.

After medical school, my parents moved to Detroit so that my father could train at Henry Ford Hospital specializing in pediatrics. As his residency neared its end, he and my mother were recruited by many small communities, but in 1961, they decided on Clarkston -- this after much urging from doctors



Dr. James O'Neill, M.D.

Bullard and Naz. They gave him a bench in a hallway, a broom closet for supplies, and one exam room. My parents settled into the old Ford farm-

house and the rest, as they say, is history.

To give you perspective on what has happened over the last half of a century, we've had ten presidents, the US population has nearly doubled, and we've rid our country of small pox and polio, the latter of which Dr. James O'Neill survived as a child.

We need your help, share your stories!

Over the next year, we're going to celebrate our organization and its success, as well as tell the story of our founder.

Because our success has come from people like you trusting CMG for their healthcare needs, we're asking for your help to tell the story of Dr. James O'Neill. We know there are a lot of great "Dr. O'Neill stories" in the community, and we hope you will submit them so we can publish them in our quarterly newsletter, as well as in *The Clarkston News*.

Whether they're touching or humorous, please take the time to submit your story and if it's chosen, we'll send you a gift card as a way of saying thanks. **Please use the form below to submit your stories.**

Here is one of my stories...



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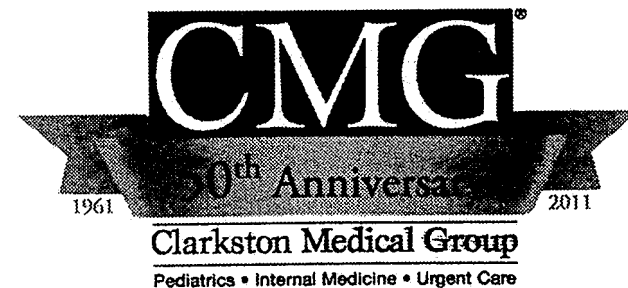
Growing up as the youngest son of Dr. O'Neill and then joining him in practice, I have quite a few stories of my own! One that always sticks with me occurred when I was only seven or eight years old. In those years, people came to our home at all hours of the day or night if they were sick or injured. That was just the way it was for our family. Oftentimes I would sneak downstairs into our back kitchen and watch him

treat patients. Late one night, first one, then another bloodied teenager showed up at our back door to get their faces and knuckles sewn up. Turns out they'd gotten into a fight at Pine Knob with each other! My father very calmly got them to shake hands, made them some coffee, and sewed them up before lecturing them on staying out of trouble and not getting into fights.

We've come a long way since that little white table in our back kitchen, but the mission still remains the same; to take care of our community!

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