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From left, Evy Herbert, Sheila Porter, Sue Stencil, Heidi Bryne, and Eileen Drenikowski celebrate the spirit of the 1960s at downtown Clarkston's first Retro Cocktail Party, Jan. 22. Photo by Trevor Keiser



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Indepedence Township board voted 4-1 to compensate Kelly Hyer, recreation supervisor for Parks and Recreation, \$1,540 for the additional time and responsibilities she took on while the department was without a director.

Trustee Neil Wallace voted "no." David Lohmeier was absent.

Info night rescheduled

Kindergarten Information Night is rescheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m., Clarkston Junior High Performing Arts Center, 6595 Waldon Road for Clarkston Community Schools.

Kindergarten registration began Feb. 7. Registration packets are available at each elementary school, Administration Building, Early Childhood Center, and online at www.clarkston.k12.mi.us - click on "Parents."

Completed registration forms can now be turned in to the secretary at each child's school.

Children turning 5-years-old on or before Dec. 1, 2011 are eligible to attend kindergarten.

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The hockey player circling around the net in "Sweet defeat adds to Dragon rivalry," Jan. 26 was misidentified. It is senior Chad Wotton.

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BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

After 25 years of marriage, Mike and Renee Garavaglia of Independence Township know the importance of family.

They learned how much last Fourth of July. Doing some yard work, Mike suffered a massive heart attack.

"A widow maker," he said. "They got me to the hospital, they saved my life – it's phenomenal."

Doctors put in a stent, he had bypass surgery in September, and a grueling schedule of cardiac therapy. Their sons Joe, 25, who lives in Seymour, Ind., and Tom, 23, living in Tampa, Fla., came home to help, joining their sister Gina, 14, already living at home.

"The whole time, I was so grateful for what I have," Mike said. "Renee had to steer the ship – it was a hardship on the family. I was so appreciative. I found out how much I love them all."

"We all love him," Renee said.

This Valentine's Day is another reminder to always make your feelings known.

"Don't be afraid to show emotion and affection for your family," Mike said. "I firmly believe that whenever you leave, the last thing you do is tell your family you love them.

Tom, engaged to be married to Kristina Avery, plans to apply those lessons in his own family.

"The biggest lesson is family comes first regardless of what's going on," he said. "They'll be with you through thick and thin. Love of family 's stronger than anything else."

Tom learned how to handle adversity from his parents.

"Nothing is easy – they taught me that," he said. "My life is a tribute to them. They gave me the tools to be successful – I'm on my way there. If not for them, where would I be?"

As long as you have a solid marriage, you can get through anything, Joe said.

"My parents are great people," he said.
"They're very committed to each other. They taught us right from wrong, all three of us, things we'll follow until the day we die."

"I want to be like that when I get married," Gina said. "They're so lovey, they really are."

Mike, 57, was born on the east side of Detroit – the west side for Renee, 54. Assigned to different departments of the same company in 1983, they met at work. Mike liked Renee immediately – not so much for

her, though.

"I didn't like him right away," Renee said. "He was too serious. I was all about fun."

"I was all business at work," Mike agreed. She got to know him better at get-togethers after work at the bowling alley.

"I saw a lot that I liked, the real him," Renee said. "I found out he makes me laugh. He's very sensitive and caring, a big family man – everything I was looking for."

"She's beautiful and funny, a fantastic personality," Mike said. "I'm extremely fortunate to find someone who loves me as much as I love her."

When they first started going out, they had to keep it on the down low – office romances were frowned upon.

"People kind of found out," Renee said.
"We'd go to dances with groups of friends and see each other there. Friends said we danced so well, it looked like we practiced.
We had."

When Mike had the opportunity to advance his career with a new job, he took it.

"I wanted to keep dating her," he said.
"I know a good thing when I see it. It was a whole lot easier to date, no more pressure not to date where we work."

They were married July 1985 in Livonia.

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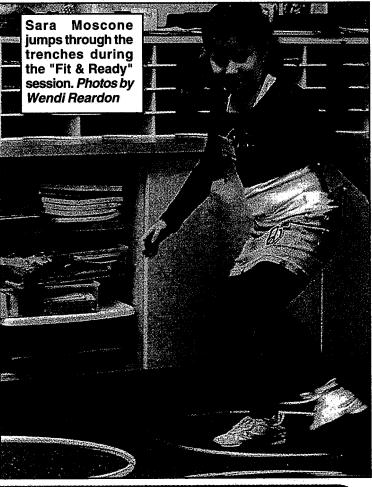
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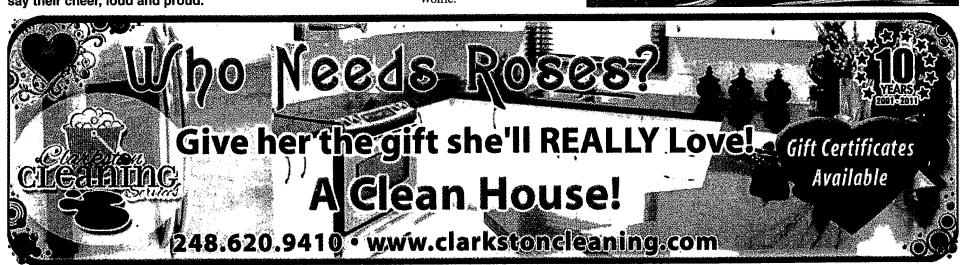
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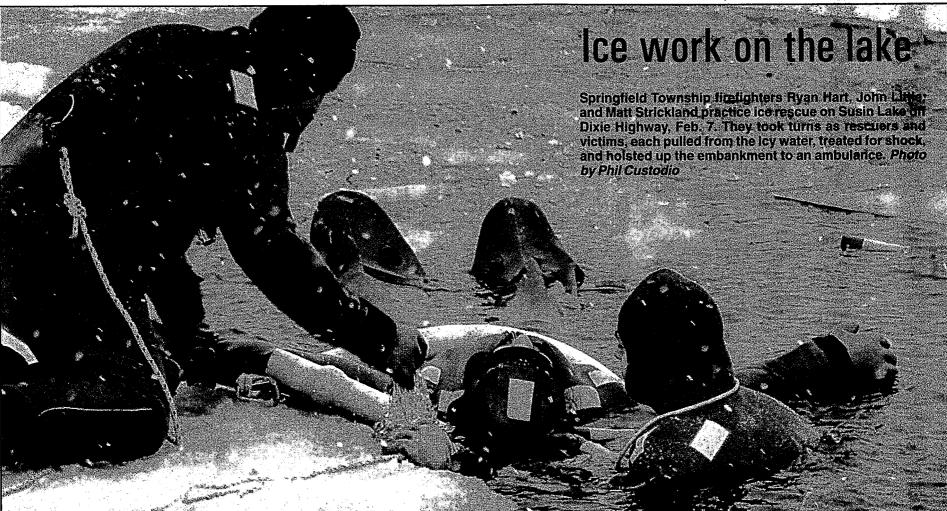
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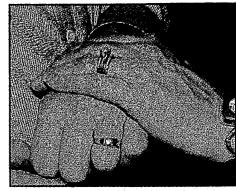
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The Garavaglias recently celebrated their 25th anniversary.

Family stays first priority

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was the second marriage for both.

"I learned so much from my first marriage," Renee said. "The divorce was devastating – I try harder because of that."

They moved to Clarkston in 1993.

"I love Clarkston," Renee said. "It's a great blace."

"We've made so many friends here, it's phenomenal," Mike said.

Joe and Tom graduated from Clarkston schools, with Gina attending ninth grade, all three active in school sports, clubs, and activities. Mike and Renee were always there to cheer them on.

"We go to football games – we still know everyone there," Mike said. "Even after Gina graduates, we'll still go."

For Mike and Renee, tips to keep marriage strong also include listening, give and take, and paying attention to each other.

"Renee is beautiful, she has beautiful eyes," Mike said. "I want the whole world to know that."

"He tells me almost every day," Renee said. Family night is important, with dancing, games, going out bowling.

"That's where it all started," Renee said.
"We'll never stop doing that."

Both remember lessons their parents taught them.

"We raised our kids how we were raised," Renee said.

"If I did half the job my dad did raising me, I'd be a fantastic father," Mike said.

Also, honesty, trust, respect for everyone, and keeping a sense of humor.

"We make it fun, we laugh all the time," Mike said.

"We're young at heart. My bones creak, but in my mind, I'm 18," Renee said. "Find humor in things, even the heart attack – you have to."

Mike has a number-one rule for a happy family:

"A happy wife is a happy life," he said. "If Momma's not happy, nobody's happy."

"I happen to agree," Renee said.

Emily Kuchlbauer and Hannah Kay finish their last slide for the afternoon

Figsh powder

Students enjoyed a day off from school and headed to a hill off of Hubbard Road in Independence Township on Feb. 3 to try out the new snow.

Photos by Wendi Reardon

- Ben Snider soars off the jump.

Olivia Kuchlbauer steers the sled down the hill.

Michael Snider, Jared Sudden, Ben Snider, Eric Diemer and Adam Snider erest on top/of the Hill

Jared Suddenfinishes with a soft landing

Patient finds peace of mind at Lake Orion Family Dentistry

When Lake Orion resident Judith Truscott told her former dentist that local anesthesia didn't numb her mouth like it should, he said he understood. He said he'd dealt with patients with similar problems, and everything would be fine.

Judith wasn't so sure. In fact, she has a major fear of the dentist, and her next appointment would involve a root canal. She put her fears aside, though, and went to her appointment.

After the procedure, her dentist pushed up his surgical mask, looked at her, and said it ister that much anesthetic. Judith wasn't surprised.

flagged her chart for future reference.

avoided dental work for years. She had her I found Dr. Greenfield that I would cancel teeth cleaned and attended regular checkups, an appointment three times and just never but would not undergo the dental work she get the work done." needed. Judith knew her oral health was deteriorating, yet did not know how to over- Orion Family Dentistry, her fears were put come her fears.

that avoiding dental work could put her over- trol of her treatment plan with no pressure. all health at risk. She understood the link be- "Then I met with Karla, the nurse anesthetween poor oral health and heart attack, tist at Dr. Greenfield's office, and she was stroke, and other serious systemic problems. excellent. Wonderful!



had been a long time since he'd had to adminwarm, friendly atmosphere.

"To be so afraid that it keeps you from "I told you so," she said as the dentist taking care of your health is horrible," she recalls. "If you do not have a fear, you can't Judith wasn't satisfied. Afterward, she understand it. I was so apprehensive before

When Judith found Dr. Greenfield at Lake to rest. "He listened to me and explained my "I had a major fear of the dentist," she said. treatment options, what he wanted to do, But as a registered nurse, Judith also knew and why," Judith said, noting she felt in con-

local anesthesia and an intense fear of dental procedures, Judith also suffers from acute tion." asthma. She asked questions most people don't know to ask, and Karla provided the answers and explanation Judith needed.

Dr. Greenfield determined that two sessions are very attentive. I never feel like a number of dental procedures would be required. Judith requested that the milder phase of treatment be completed first, and Dr. Greenfield was pleased to comply. Karla would administer in-law to Dr. Greenfield, and she hopes he IV sedation to relieve Judith's anxiety during can help others who are in her situation, filled

"I felt nothing, and I remember nothing," said Judith. "There was no pain, no fear."

Dr. Greenfield used CEREC, a new technology that incorporates CAD/CAM technology for one-visit, permanent, ceramic dental crowns. Judith had two CEREC crowns placed, along with a dental filling, during her

The procedure took just a short period of time. Afterward, Judith had no anxiety about the second phase of her treatment plan, which was scheduled just a few weeks later.

During the second appointment, Karla administered IV sedation, and this time, Dr. Greenfield placed three crowns and performed laser periodontal treatment.

"There was no bruising, no pain, not even In addition to an inability to numb with at the injection sites," Judith said. "In fact, I left the next day for a six-week Florida vaca-

> Judith ranks her experience a 12 on a scale of 1 to 10.

"I was a basket case when I came in," she After much discussion, Judith, Karla, and said. "They really made me feel good; they at Dr. Greenfield's office, and my hygienist, Ronda, is wonderful."

> Judith has referred her son and daughterwith fear and in desperate need of dental work to restore and protect their health.



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Township time check

More supervision set for human resources director

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

As human resources director, part of Carol Gabris' job is to supervise township employ-

She needs some supervision herself, according to Trustee Mark Petterson.

"Some situations have arisen in the past few weeks that demanded employees talk to

her and that ability was not available,' said Petterson.

received He complaints from Independence Township employees that Gabris is not putting in a 40-hour work week, even though her time sheet

says so. Petterson brought this issue before the board before she was hired full-time this past June, \$64,150 salary with full benefits as a department head.

"I tried to point out in my view what was a very large discrepancy in the hours that were being performed for the large amount of money being paid," he said. "The board refused to listen to them. They figured the hours being worked didn't need any

To help solve the issue, Petterson suggested at the Feb. 1 meeting Gabris be required to post office hours so board members and employees know when she is

Trustee Neil Wallace said having Gabris post office hours is a "terrific idea," but he also argued "just because she's not physically present in that one room we've assigned to her, does not mean she's not on

Supervisor Dave Wagner said if a person doesn't come in until between 10 a.m. and noon everyday it becomes "rough on the employees."

'All the directors know when our opening and closing hours are and their responsibility is to get their job done during the day,' Wagner said. "If they're not going to be here

at 8 o'clock they know to call their staff and let them know where they're at and what they're doing.'

Wallace said there is a similar perception about Wagner not being in the office or available to staff or the general public

"I understand you're an elected official and you don't have to report to anyone, but there is still the notion of being a model for the other directors," he said.

However, Wagner said he lets people know where he is going when he leaves the

"I don't make an announcement over the PA system that I'm now leaving," Wagner said. "But when I walk out the door, people know where I'm going."

Carson said there are two issues: hours they expect an employee to work for the pay they receive and availability to the rest of the staff.

"If the general expectation is department heads work 8-5 or 40 hours a week, I think it needs to be clear to everyone that department heads are working 40 hours a week," Carson said. "The fact they're working at different places is not really the issue here."

Carson said the issue came up because former Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen signed Gabris's time sheet every week. Once she resigned, there was no one to sign the sheet.

When it was brought to the supervisor, he wasn't willing to sign it because he didn't believe it was accurate. The deputy clerk wouldn't sign it and it came to me and I don't have anything to do with personnel. so I wasn't going to sign it," Carson said. "I think the board should probably make some decision as to who is going to sign this time sheet. I believe it should be the supervisor."

Trustee Larry Rosso said Gabris, who was not at the meeting, "better take heed and do what she thinks is necessary to meet the expectations of this board in general because she answers to the board.'

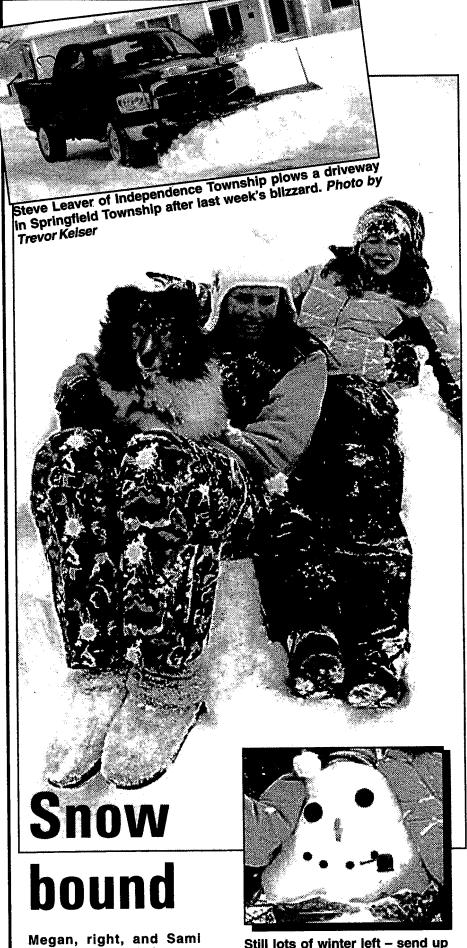
"I know there are other things that job requires," Rosso said. "There is a lot of time spent in negotiations, different conferences. so I don't want to lock her into 40 hours per se, when there is a variety of functions that are performed in that position."

Petterson disagreed.

"Being at union negotiations is one thing, but we know she's not negotiating a union every day of the week, so if she is not negotiating a union then there is no reason for her not to be in her office," he said.

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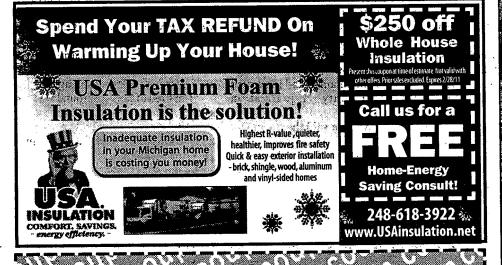
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carving the Valentine's Day artwork. Customers and members of the community watched her transform three independent blocks of ice into the heart-themed sculpture. She carved from start to finish live, all complements of The

Birdfeeder and Clarkston Flower Shoppe.

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From left, Jordan Burns, Krystal Derry, Jeanmarie Garofano, Lisa Serra, and Jeremy Michalski celebrate the inaugural ride of the Clarkston Party Bus. Organized by venues around the Clarkston area, the bus offers free transportation Friday nights for some safe bar-hopping fun. *Photo by Trevor Keiser*

City short on payment for township services

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston owes Independence Township money, and they mean to collect.

Township Treasurer Curt Carson said the city owes \$72,149.56 for fire, police and library services, third and fourth quarter, 2010 – \$3,886.76 outstanding from third quarter.

City Manager Dennis Ritter agrees they owe the township money, but not that much

"We want to pay that money, but we want to pay the amount established in the contract," Ritter said.

According to contract, payment for services is based on total taxable value of property in the city as of Jan. 1 of each year.

In documents provided by former city Treasurer Jan Gilespie, that value as of Jan. 1, 2009, was \$47,855,860. This figure was based on the "2009 Roll Change Summary" for Clarkston, a document produced by Oakland County.

Carson said the county document has been used by the village since about 2006.

Carson said after they billed the city for the third quarter, he was told by Ritter the value was incorrect – instead of \$47,855,860, it should be \$44,143,080.

However, the \$44 million figure is based on the city's tax bill as of July 1, after the March board of review has met and adjustments made by the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

"It can't possibly be (\$44,143,080) because it wasn't the number on Jan. 1," Carson said.

"It's in the hands of the attorneys and has been," Ritter said. "We had an agreement and I continue to get statements with the State Equalized Value (SEV), even after we had the agreement." That SEV is \$47,261,000, which is also based upon the state tribunal's calculation.

Carson said the two figures, \$47,855,860 and \$47,261,000, are "two different numbers, two different dates."

Ritter also signed a Dec. 2010 letter that he acknowledged, understood, and accepted "the township will utilize the taxable value of all such property on the first working day of January stated on the 'Roll change Summary' report maintained and generated by Oakland County Equalization Department."

Trustee Neil Wallace said the document speaks for itself.

"It's just a definition of what January 1 means," he said. "January 1 does not mean April."

Wallace motioned for township attorney Steve Joppichto to write a letter to the city letting them know they're bound to the contract and "they should pay the bill." The board approved the motion 4-0 at the Feb. 1 regular meeting. Trustee David Lohmeier was absent.

"The contract should be waived in our favor — after all we are the provider and if we're providing a service I think we should have the ultimate say in the terms of the contract," said Trustee Larry Rosso. "We should be in the driver's seat."

Trustee Mark Petterson agreed.

"I'm tired of playing around with this, I'm getting very frustrated," he said. "The township was very amicable in removing the administrative fees (10 percent), I'm second guessing that now."

Ritter said he does not want this to disrupt the relationship between the city and the township.

"This is very important to us and I think it's important to them," he said.





Preschoolers look at animal tracks in the snow. Photo provided

Tracks in the park

dents recently went on a "Tracks and T's" field trip to the Lewis E. Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks Park.

The children learned about various mammals and the tracks they make in the snow.

The field trip included a winter trek to look for tracks and discuss which animals made them. Indoors, the class decorated T-shirts with paint and stamps of animal tracks.

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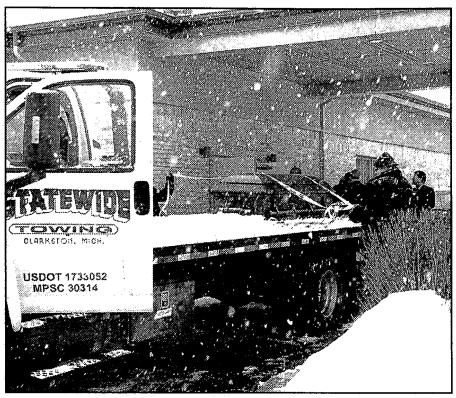
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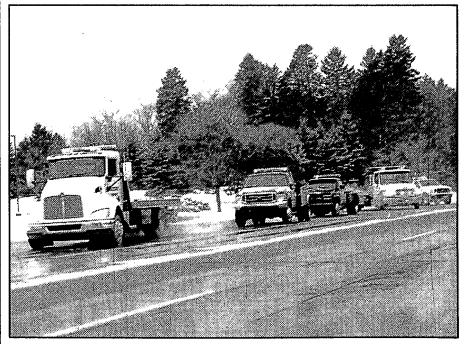
Memorial procession

Elton S. Swindlehurst of Clarkston with a procession down Dixie Highway, Jan.

A longtime owner of towing services and service stations including Swindell's Towing and Statewide Towing with his son Duane, the procession was made up of dozens of tow trucks. The lead

Friends and family honored the late truck served as an open caisson for Mr. Swindlehurst's coffin after services at Coats Funeral Home.

> He passed away Jan. 19 at 69 years of age, survived by Marilyn, his wife of 52 years, and children Elton Duane (Gale) Swindlehurst of Clarkston, Dan (Debbie) Swindlehurst of Oxford, and Colleen Chupa of Lake Orion.



Tow trucks line up on Dixie Highway in Mr. Swindlehurst's honor. *Photos* provided



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Dental Implants

With an overall success rate of about 95% and almost 50 years of clinical research to back them up, dental implants are frequently the best treatment option for replacing missing teeth. Rather than resting on the gum line like removable dentures, or using adjacent teeth as anchors like fixed bridges, dental implants are long-term replacements that are surgically placed in your jaw bone. Because obtaining dental implants begins with a surgical procedure, you are wise to choose an oral and maxillofacial surgeon to provide your care.

Many people are tempted to do nothing, particularly if the missing teeth were located in a less noticable spot, like the molar region. While at first this may appear to be the least expensive option, its implications for your long-term oral health can be devastating. Missing teeth compromise your bite as well as your ability to chew and speak clearly. In an effort to compensate for the loss, adjacent teeth may attempt to take over the function of the missing tooth, which may lead to muscle pain in your jaws. In time, you may experience tooth movement, gum recession and jawbone resorption in the open area, all of which may complicate a later decision to replace the missing tooth.

Dental Implants - What They Are And How They Work

Similar in function to the root of a tooth, a single dental implant can be used to support one or two missing teeth, while two or more implants can be strategically placed to support fixed bridges or partial dentures. Several implants can serve as a comfortable foundation for a full upper or lower denture. Patients can eat anything they want and can speak clearly without the worries of loose teeth.

The typical dental implant for the replacement of a single tooth consists of three separate pieces, each fulfilling a unique role. The actual implant is usually a titanium post that your oral and maxillofacial surgeon surgically places in the jawbone. Over the next two to six months, the implant will safely fuse with the jawbone to form a secure, immovable base upon which the two other components, the abutment and the crown, will be placed. The abutment attaches to the portion of the implant that sits above the gum line. It forms a platform for the crown, which is carefully secured on the abutment by a restorative dentist.

Are Dental Implants Right For You?

With the exception of growing children, dental implants can benefit people of all ages even those with existing health ailments. Dental implants can replace removable bridges or dentures, or they may be used to stabilize and secure a bridge or full denture, making it much more comfortable and functional.

How Do I Get An Implant?

The process begins with a thorough clinical examination and a review of pre-existing health issues or allergies, as well as a review of the medications that you are currently taking. Your surgeon may take several imaging studies, such as a CT scan, to determine essential information about the jawbone and its anatomy. You are a key member of the team, and all aspects of your case will be discussed with you before the procedure is scheduled. Once everyone is comfortable with the plan surgery is scheduled.

The Cost Of Dental Implant Surgery

Before proceeding with your dental implant treatment plan, your implant team will provide you with a cost estimate covering all necessary aspects of the surgical and restorative procedures relating to your case. These estimates should include diagnostic tests and work-up, bone and soft tissue grafting procedures, implant placement, impressions and fabrication costs for the final crown, in the long-run, dental implants are a cost effective option for replacing your missing teeth. Unlike conventional

dentures and bridges that are usually replaced several times, your dental implants should continue to function well for 20 years or more.

To schedule an appointment, please contact us. Summit Oral Surgery is now open in Clarkston to meet all of your Oral and Facial surgical needs.



Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Color aplenty

This edition marks our second color *Clarkston News*, with twice as many color pages as last month.

Valentine's Day theme this month, with flowers aplenty on the front and a mushy feature on the Garavaglias (the middle "G"

is silent) inside. I love the colors—red, green, pink, purples of the flowers, snowboarders' green and purple jackets, red wet suits of the ice divers.



Next month's looks to feature a lot of green. Any St. Patrick's or other

ideas, contact me at 248-625-3370 or email Clarkstonnews@gmail.com.

Favorite Super Bowl commercial: a driver narrowly misses a beaver, which shows its appreciation months later by cutting down a tree, preventing him from driving onto a washed out bridge, saving his life. Warms my heart to see a beaver showing proper gratitude.

Weirdest Super Bowl commercial: increasingly fantastic beings fight over a car, from corrupt policeman to supervillain to god of the sea to aliens, and finally via space warp to the ancient Aztecs. Apparently all the Aztecs' human sacrifice worked – they got themselves a new car, appearing at the top of the temple pyramid, down the blood soaked steps past the pile of bodies just off screen.

Least favorite commercial (though not from the Super Bowl): airline passenger complains of a sore back, stewardess offers him aspirin, he says he's not having a heart attack – his back hurts. This means the aspirin company's recent heart-attack?-use-our-pills ad campaign was so successful people forgot aspirin is supposed to relieve pain.

As presidential campaigning for 2012 starts, I think we should ask candidates if they like this country. If they answer something like, "well, I like what it could be," or "if it became what I want it to be, then I'd like it," we should kick them to the curb. They should run for president of a country they like. There are lots of countries that aren't like us. They should run in

one of those countries.

They should also ask them to pronounce the word "Taliban." If it comes out "Tolly-bon," to the curb they go. If a leader can't be trusted not to concede their own language to the enemy, what can they be trusted with?



Burgers in the snow

Sharlene Dasuqi of Springfield Township didn't let last week's blizzard get in the way of a good barbecue. *Photo by Trevor Keiser*

Reader calls for buying local cars, too

Dear Editor.

Thank you so much to the Clarkston Retailers Group on the wonderful Progressive Cocktail Party! It was a

festive, fun event that many of us hope will become an annual tradition.

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A year or two ago when the "My Clarkston Buy Clarkston" campaign was kicked off by your organization, Clarkston, Detroit, Michigan, and the whole country was in the worst of the very deep, difficult recession.

Although we all love Clarkston and love to shop and eat here, an irony was noticed by many of us. Although you were encouraging us to shop and eat out locally, so many of you drive foreign cars.

If the American car industry isn't healthy, Clarkston isn't healthy and then your businesses are not healthy. Wouldn't it make

sense for you to support all those who earn their means through the American car in-

dustry by also buying American cars?
From what we've seen, local business owners are predominantly driving foreign

If you want Clarkstonites to have the financial freedom to shop for the interesting luxuries sold in your shops and to eat out, which is also a luxury, please support us.

Thank you and let's work together to make Clarkston flourish.

Name withheld at writer's request

Write a Letter to the Editor!

Please keep them short and to the point. We'll edit them for spelling, grammar, punctuation, clarity and length. We take the liberty of publishing (or not) all letters we receive. Please sign your letter(no photo copies!) and include a daytime phone for verifications. Deadline is noon, Monday. Drop them off or mail them to 5 S. Main Street. Clarkston, Mi 48346; fax them at 248-625-0706; or e-mail shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News. Any questions call. The Clarkston News at 248-625-3370.

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1996

"Administration sees need for another school" Superintendent Gary Haner called for a new elementary school and expand existing ones to accommodate rising enrollment.

"State approves amended investment policy" In the wake of bad investments, Independence Township approved a new investment policy. The plan called for more oversight by the township treasurer and restrictions on investing in risky derivatives.

"City approves Depot St. cost study" Planners considered sidewalks on both sides of Depot Street, from Main Street to the park. They wanted to make the street safer and more accessible to pedestrians walking to Depot Park, as well as deal with parking problems developed since several spaces were eliminated the year before.

25 years ago - 1986

"Wint marks year 9 at parks' helm". Lewis Wint of Clarkston was appointed to his fifth consecutive three-year term on the Oakland County parks Board of Commissioners, and ninth consecutive year as chairman. He looked forward to further development of Independence Oaks and other county parks.

"Ice strikes, sets 3-day record" Rain and ice on back roads prompted administration to close school for three days in a row. The wet ice was just too slippery, officials said.

"Mandatory emission tests spur comments" A new law required residents of Oakland, Wayne, and Macomb counties to get their vehicles tested when renewing drivers' licenses. The law was prompted by federal government air-quality regulations.

50 years ago - 1961

"Local clergymen form association"
The new Independence Pastor's Association was composed of clergy of the various churches in Independence Township. They hoped to organize cooperative projects with other community groups.

"Independence Township candidates in review" Residents William Cobb, incumbent, George Mantyla, Frank Rhames, and Merle Bennett campaigned for a seat on the Township Board.

"Clarkston local" Mr. and Mrs. William Knox just returned from Huntsville, Ala, where they spent the past two months.

Great Lakes Argiculture Fair at Silverdome

So there I was amongst all the real reporter types from "big" media places, government types, chamber of commerce folk, downtown development authority figures and the like. There were lots of suits, long coats, shiny shoes, high-fashion boots on the babes and me with a blue Oxford button up shirt, with the top button unbuttoned; sneakers and white tube socks.

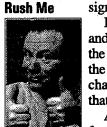
I fit right in at the press conference to announce the coming of the Great Lakes Agricultural Fair, 2011 at the Pontiac Silverdome, September 2 thru 5 -- so, I sat in the second row, behind Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson and US Congressman Gary Peters.

Grant Reeves, director for the fair, opened up with talk of enthusiasm and energy overtaking the state and in particular the effort to replace the Michigan State Fair. I think I heard something to the effect that in 10 weeks, volunteer numbers for the event jumped from a handful to over 300 statewide. Like I said, I think that is what Reeves said. I was looking at Brooks and Peters sitting in front of me, with a blond woman in between them.

Peters, a Democrat, was right of The Blond, and Brooks, a Republican, was on the left. The only thoughts that came to mind were . . . while in politics Brooks is to the right, and Peters is on the left, when it comes to blonds, it's just the opposite.

My second thought, I shared with a reporterette sitting to my right, "Brooks is

> on the left, and Peters on the right . . . must be a sure sign to the apocalypse."



Don Rush

Don't

I don't think she got it, and despite my bathing in the morning, she scooted to the right, putting an empty chair between us. I have that effect on women. After that, I was able to

focus on the reason I was drinking free Tim Horton's coffee and eating free Tim Horton's doughnuts -- The

fair (A sure way to get reporters to any event is to offer free coffee and doughnuts, and as a breed, we're kinda cheap and love free stuff.)

According to Reeves, the Great Lakes Agricultural Fair will pay homage to Michigan's rich agricultural history while showcasing today's innovations. They want to bridge Michigan's diverse cultural spectrum, too. This gap will be bridged with music.

Each day of the fair will have a theme. Friday, Sept. 2, is R & B Hip-hop day. Music for the day will focus on this genre -- inviting the "urban" culture to the fair. Saturday is country music day. (Which brings to mind a scene from the Blues Brothers movie ... "What kind of music do you play here?" Elwood Blues asked. To which the bar owner's wife, replies, "Why we got both kinds, Country and Western."). Sunday is Classic Rock day and on Monday, Labor Day, Genisys Credit Union is hosting the Battle of the

"Now, until the fair," Reeves said, "Bands across state will compete until we come up with the top 10 bands in Michigan.'

These bands will battle it out to be the best band in the state. Some in the crowd were 'speculatin' old time rock and roller Bob Segar would make a trip down to the fair (but, keep that hush-hush.)

Reeves also said the bands, which he would not name, will be "big" name bands. The names will trickle out in the future to help build momentum -- and, he said, when you buy tickets for a band, you get tickets to the fair and midway free.

As for fair food, elephant ears will make a triumphant return, however, there will be a gradual turning away from the fried wholesomeness found at most fairs. to the more betterer-for-you (kids, don't try making up words like that on your own. I am a highly skilled professional wordsmith) kinds of cuisine that food Nazis and doctors recommend. On the upswing, when Reeves announced the food vendors will be Michigan-based foods and commodities, the audience applauded.

It's an ambitious project, but I like ambitious projects, so I'm all in and looking forward to it.

By-the-by, here's who I saw there, that you might know (aside from Peters and Brooks). From Clarkston, Oakland County Commissioner and former Oxford farmer. Tom Middleton; Oakland County Commissioner and former Brandon School Board Trustee Beth Nuccio; Clarkston Chamber Director Penny Schultz and Lake Orion Downtown Development Authority Director Suzanne Perreault.

News of weather and weight fill the airways

The same day the news media was filled with Don't put these messengers out who can't cast a with storm warnings starting five days in advance. snowfall warnings, our government issued warnings on "changes we should make right now!"

I guarantee the snow warnings were heeded quicker and with more action than the "changes."

We were promised a foot of snow in one breath, and a promise of a shorter life if we didn't restrict our diet to a half a teaspoon of salt. (NOW!)

Our gov'ment reissues guidelines for eating every five years. We gotta practically give up salt, cut out fats, eat more fruits and vegetables and (get this) "enjoy food, but make changes."

You start by assembling foods, starches and veggies around the outer edge of your plate, then, if you have room in the middle, put your unsalted meat.

Uncle Sam, or is it Aunt Millie, says Americans of all ages are too fat.

I say we have to have fat to get the most out life. Happiness needs fatty, salt seasoned foods. Now, you don't have to gorge yourself. But, gol darn a person can't be happy and enjoying themselves on bland foods.

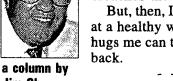
These government representatives gotta understand there has to be a balance, and the message should come from spokespersons who have flesh. decent shadow, have no cheeks and weigh 67 pounds.

I'm not suggesting the heavily obese be given the microphone, but let them represent achievable, likeable goals.

When I hug someone I want to know I'm not just reaching around to my own shoulders. Jim's

About five years ago, my doctor suggested, and did not persist, that I try replacing the salt shaker with the pepper shaker. In many cases I have done that, and my doctor hasn't broached the subject again.

But, then, I'm not overweight. I'm at a healthy weight, and no one who hugs me can touch their hands at my



Jim Sherman

Jottings

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I started walking to one-room schools in 1932. Our firstborn started walking a mile to school in 1959.

Neither my mother, nor his mother gave snowy weather a second thought.

Schooling was important. Today, well there's a lot of talking about schoolin' but the weather reporters

They couldn't say blizzard, measurements, windchill, gusting winds and icy conditions often enough.

It's like they were earning commissions from the hardwares, supermarkets, drug and clothing

Reports came in of people clogging aisles buying shovels, salt (for melting not eating), aspirin, pain relievers for shovelers, beer (I don't what that was for) and groceries for the rest of the winter.

We were also kept aware of the cooler than normal temperatures in the south. I especially like those low numbers.

- - - 0 - - -• Ah well, as Will Rogers often said, everyone talks about the weather, but nobody does anything

• Will Rogers also said our Constitution protects aliens, drunks and U.S. Senators.

• When pizza became popular in the U.S. in the 1930s, sales of oregano shot up 5,200 percent. (With all that sauce and cheese who can taste oregano?)

• When you're looking at someone you love, your pupils dilate. When you look at someone you seem almost anti-education. The airways were filled hate, they do the same thing.



Leg Pain? Back Pain??

Having back and leg pain can bring life to a standstill.

You might not be able to play golf, work, or even sit in the car for a 30-minute drive. It's almost impossible for anyone around you to understand how you feel. You can't remember the last time you even had a restful night's sleep.

When cushions in your back joints, called discs, get injured or wear out, they begin to degenerate and cause pain. Bulging and herniations begin to form, pressing on the nerve roots.

The most common invasive treatment for disc herniations is surgery. Even with health insurance the patient is left with their own portion of the bill, in excess of \$10,000-\$15,000, and sometimes

In addition, the recovery time and missed work can be anywhere from 3 to 6 months, not to mention the obvious severe risks associated with

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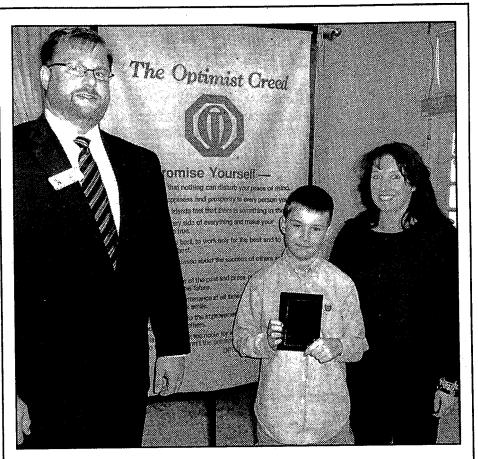
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Dr. Frank Iulianelli, D.C., FKCS.



Optimists honor student citizen

Clarkston Optimist President Jeff Reed and Independence Elementary fourth-grade teacher Jennifer Davis-Eklin present the December Clarkston Optimist Student Citizen of the Month award to fourth-grader Jacob Burns. Photo provided



Local support for Lake Orion Optimists

Roger Lamont of Springfield Township, store director of Meijer in Auburn Hills, presents a \$5,000 donation to Kelly Weaver, left, and Katherine Baumann of the Lake Orion Area Optimist Club. The Lake Orion club is sponsored by the Clarkston Area Optimist Club.

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

Not dead dogs

A Coulter Lake Boulevard resident out for a walk reported three dead, dismembered dogs off the road, 11:31 a.m., Jan. 22. A deputy thought they were coyotes, but the resident wanted more investigation to be sure. A DNR officer checked and confirmed they were coy-

Car windows shot out

Several vehicles on Mann Road and Shannon Lane had windows shot out with BBs. Jan. 24.

Break-in

Someone kicked in the door to a garage of a Clintonville Road home, Jan. 26, and took a laptop, camera, and jewelry.

Hot mobile

An Independence Township man took a snowmobile he just bought to the secretary of state office to register it, and found out it was stolen property, Jan. 28. The snowmobile was impounded.

Burglar suspects out of gas

A deputy stopped to help a Waterford Township couple broken down at Maybee and Dixie Highway, 3:24 p.m., Jan. 28. The 27year-old man and 24-year-old woman had felony warrants out of St. Ignace for burglary, and were arrested.

Suspicious theft

Police are investigating theft of copper pipes from a foreclosed house in the 5000 block of Clarkston Road, Jan. 28. About 5 feet of pipe was removed, with a lot of copper left, so deputies are investigating to see if it was an attempt to get the price lowered by \$20,000.

Smash and grab

Someone broke out the back passenger side window of a car parked in the 5000 block of Upland Drive, Jan. 29, and took a CD player, speakers, and amplifier.

Don't turn on red

A 39-year-old Pontiac woman was stopped for making an illegal right turn on red at M-15 and Citation Drive, 12;35 a.m., Jan. 30. She was cited for expired driver's license, no registration, and no proof of insurance.

Snowboard stolen

A 15-year-old Troy boy thought his snowboard was safe during a cafeteria break because he kept it in sight, 7:43 p.m., Jan. 31, at Pine Knob. He went to the restroom, however, and when he came back it was gone.

2 caught in liquor sting

Deputies snagged two local liquor shops for selling alcohol to minors in a sting operation, Feb. 3.
With local youth serving as decoys,

the county checked 25 establishments in Independence, Springfield, and Brandon townships, said Sgt. Matt Baldes, Oakland County Sheriff's Independence Township substation.

"Overall, that's great compliance - the community should be proud," Baldes

The program is funded by a federal grant to check local compliance, he said.

"No tricks, no enticement," Baldes said. "If asked, they have to give ID, and if turned away, they leave."

One of the violators checked ID and sold liquor anyway, and the other didn't check. Both clerks received a civil infraction ticket. Establishments are reported to the state Liquor Control Commission, where they face increasingly severe penalties, from warning to license suspen-

Baldes sees a need for more clerk training, so they know a vertical-format driver's licenses means the driver is under 21 years old.

"They're checking birthdays, doing the math, but it's really simple," he said. "If it's vertical, end of story."

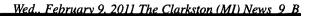
Clue in the road

Deputies investigating a Dixie Highway hit-and-run car crash in which both vehicles left the scene, 8 p.m., Jan. 30, were aided by a bumper left in the road, complete with license plate. They tracked it down to a 43-year-old Waterford Township woman. She said she was scared by the other driver and went home instead of stopping.

Bad behavior in bank

A 56-year-old Independence Township man expressed his anger at a \$25 fee overdrawing his account by screaming, punching walls, and slamming doors at a Sashabaw Road bank, 3:15 p.m., Feb. 2. Deputies stopped him as he was leaving the bank parking lot, and cited him for disorderly conduct and malicious destruction of property, for damage to a door.

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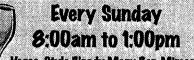
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Wolves clip Bluejays wings in OAA league game

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Fans sat on the edge of their seats watching in anticipation the last few minutes of Friday's game.

Southfield's Desmond Barnes sank a basket to get a lead on Clarkston 54-51.

The crowd cheered as Wolf Marcus Hardy stole the ball and passed it to teammate Nick Tatu, who scored two points.

A foul on Tatu sent him to the line where he sank one point to tie the OAA Red game.

The battle ensued for another minute with neither team scoring on their attempts.

A foul on Tatu sent him to the line for two points and time stood still as the ball slowly topped it's arched pathway. It came back down through the rim both times, putting Clarkston back into the lead, 56-54.

The final seconds counted down and Patrick Onwenu made a final shot for Southfield. Clarkston fans cheered after it missed, sending the Bluejays to the locker room with a loss.

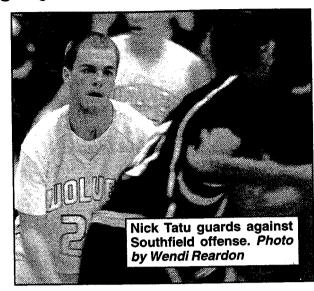
"It was probably the best we have played all year," said Tatu with a smile following the game. "It was a big win for us. Marcus played the best game I have seen him play."

He added the boys only had one practice before the game because of school cancellations due to the snow.

"We knew it was our second chance to get back at them. It could be our only chance this year so we had to make it count," he said about the team's drive.

"It was a tremendous win for us," added long-time Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Dan Fife.

Southfield opened the game with two points at the line from David Dawson. Tatu tied the score moments later with



his basket and the Wolves inched ahead on the scoreboard.

With a minute to go in the first quarter Bluejay James Goodman sank a 3-pointer to bring Southfield into the lead. It was shortlived after Matt Rodgers added his own field goal with 35 seconds left.

Control flipped back and forth into the second quarter until two baskets from Tatu and Matt Dellinger gave Clarkston the edge.

Fouls against Southfield put Tatu and Mitch Baenziger at the line with a minute to go for two attempts each. They made their shots leading halftime, 30-24.

The Wolves spent the next eight minutes adding onto

their lead until Southfield started catching up to them in the last quarter.

"During the last game the same thing happened," said Tatu. "We were up and then we let them back into the game. But this time we responded to what happened. We got a run at the end which helped us a lot and we just focused on Barnes.

Tatu scored 23 points in the game.

"He just keeps getting better with scoring," said Fife. "We just have to give him a little more room to score."

Baenziger added 16 points in the win.

"He was just good," said Fife. "He let the game come to him rather than forcing the game.

Hardy put eight points on the board and had nine rebounds.

"I liked our effort tonight," said Fife. "We have been so up and down with our effort. When they have that kind of effort, which they should have, we can be pretty good."

The Wolves played on Tuesday in a OAA White crossover game against Troy (11-2). They head to Oak Park on Thursday night (2-11). They are back home on Feb. 15 against Farmington Hills Harrison.

"We need to have the same intensity," said Tatu. "Just keep playing as hard as we can. I don't think we will be beatable again if we play with that intensity - just work hard every game."

The boys are now 7-5, 5-2 in the OAA Red - tied for the league title.

With the rollercoaster season the boys have had Fife is conscious after the next few weeks.

"We have to just make sure we are mentally ready to play," he said.



Athlete of the Week

Hastings never wasting time

BY WENDEREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Junior Megan Hastings sunk her highest score in the Lady Wolves loss to Southfield-Lathrup on Jan. 28, scoring 23 points on the undefeated team.

"I am really proud of it," said the 5'5" varsity player. "I was really happy about it. I felt confident in my shooting. I had four 3-pointers in the first half which really helped a lot, too."

"It was by far the best game she has played since she has been with us," said Tim Wasilk, head coach of the Girls Varsity team. "She played with a lot of mental toughness throughout the entire game." Practice doesn't end for the three-year starter when the rest of the players go home. She spends 60-90 minutes working on the fundamentals and getting better on the skills she doesn't excel in.

Hastings admitted her junior season didn't begin as well as she had planned.

"My dad and I started working after each practice," she said. "Working on the fundamentals and getting my confidence back up. It has been much better."

Hastings also watches the game videos with her dad to see what could have gone different, what she and her teammates could have done and what they did well.

"It helps," she added. "I get to see what I did wrong and what I can fix for the next game. We watch it in slow motion so I can see it better."

Basketball is a family tradition for Hastings - her parents, Stu and Kaye, and her older sister play.

"I would play during my sister's high school games," she said, adding she also was coached by her dad.

She is open to the possibility of playing basketball in college.

"It's an option," Megan added. "Academics come first. But it would be a small college. You can only be so smart against 6'2" guards."

She admitted it would be a tough choice between basketball and softball - because she has passion and excels in both.

"Everyone always asks but I don't know," she continued. "I am open to any."

She currently has a 3.9 GPA. Megan balances her school schedule of OSMTech, AP Language Arts, history and economics with practice and hanging out with friends.

For the younger athletes she added advice to work hard and to listen to their elders.

"I remember when I was a little girl I did not want to listen to my dad or my coaches," Megan continued.

Being older they know what they are talking about. Listen to them and take their advice. They are trying to help you and they have been playing longer. Work hard and practice if you love it and want to keep playing it."

Fans can see the girls varsity basketball team in action this week when they host Stoney Creek on Friday at 7 p.m.



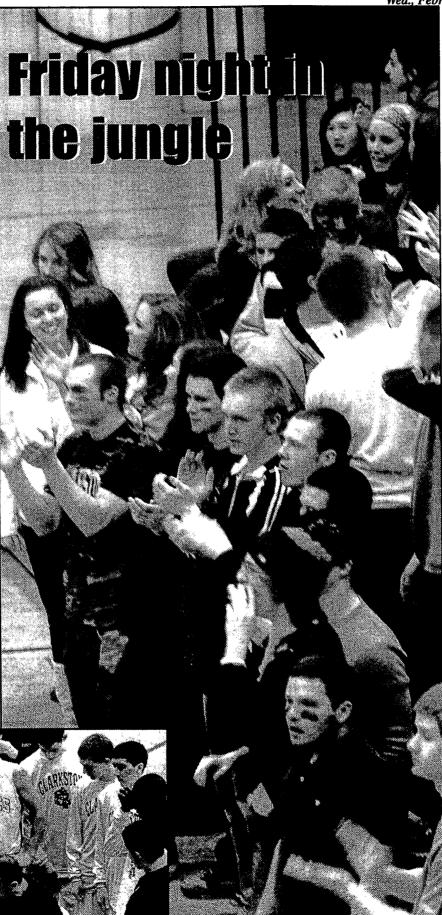
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Planned menu includes elk, white tail deer, duck, walleye, salmon and other wild game. Final selection is determined by hunters' luck.

The evening includes Gun Raffle, 50/ 50 Drawing, and Booze Basket Raffle. Doors open at 5 p.m. and dinner is served from 6-8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 – 180 tickets will be sold. Tickets are available at Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road, and by calling 248-625-9912.

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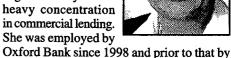
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Salas joins bank

Linda Salas was recently hired as a vice president, commercial loan department at

Clarkston State Bank, with the responsibility for developing lending relationships within the Lake Orion/ Oxford market.

Salas has 30 years expertise in the banking industry with heavy concentration in commercial lending. She was employed by



National Bank of Detroit. She is a graduate of Walsh College where

she received her bachelor degree in business administration.

Clarkston actors in musical play

Clarkston students Kyle Weaver, Alex Leonowicz, Andrea Pangori, Dana Pangori, Lily McLean, Emily Ridge, Ally Harbaugh, Zack Fisher, Lauren McGrath, Sophia Gunterman, Izzy Case, and Gus Guthrie, will perform in their Notre Dame Marist Academy theater production, "Night at the Wax Museum, The Musical."

The comedy, featuring a cast of 63 with music, dance, and a production full of mystery, suspense, and laughter, is set for 7 p.m. on Feb. 11-12, and 2 p.m., Feb. 13, at Notre Dame's Pontiac campus, 1300 Giddings Road.

Admission is \$8/adults and children over 5. and \$5/children under 5. Tickets can be purchased near the entrance to the cafetorium before each performance.

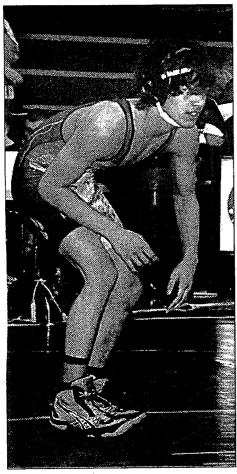
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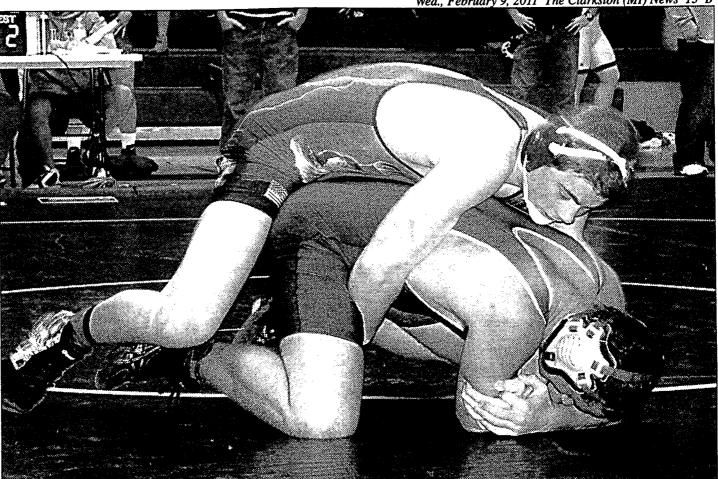
Gabe Comos is a 16-year-old junior at Clarkston High School. He also writes for the high school newspaper, Paw Prints, focusing on sports. During his free time he enjoys to attending Clarkston High School football and basketball games, hanging out with friends and spending time with his family.

He has an older brother, who is currently studying at Miami University in Ohio. He also has a younger sister in seventh grade. He plays travel hockey and baseball for the high school team.

"Sports writing is one of my hobbies and something I would like to do hopefully as a career one day," he said.



Cameron Wilkie prepares to take on a foe.



Ethan Frick works on a win against Matt Anger from Oxford. Photos by Andrew Moser

Taking competition to the mats

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Senior Matt Vandermeer and junior Scott Devos left their mark on the mats Friday night going undefeated during the OAA Red Championship at Oxford High School.

Vandermeer took the first place finish in his 171-pound weight class with a defeat over Lake Orion's Adam Gros, 9-3, putting his record this season at 40-3.

Devos (285) pinned Troy Athens John Daniel with 1:01 left in the second period to take the championship.

Clarkston finished third overall in the league with 163.5 points.

Oxford, the meet host, took bragging rights and their first OAA league title with 266 points. Rochester finished in second, 168.5, Rochester Adams in fourth, 125.5, and Avondale in fifth, 89.

"We could have easily finished in second," said Clarkston Varsity Wrestling Coach Andy Auten. "But those are both good teams that finished ahead of us. We had about three guys who I thought would make the finals that didn't."

Mike Henige (160) and Ethan Frick (189) finished in second place and went 2-1 for the night.

Henige beat West Bloomfield's Pat Russell and Rochester's Cody DeVoe before losing to Oxford' Ben Ralston on a technical fall, 20-5

Frick beat Oxford's Matt Anger and Avondale's James McCoury before a loss to Mitch Ladd from Lake Orion, 13-6.

"Some of the guys did great," said Auten.
"Ethan started his day by beating first seed
Anger - a guy he has lost to twice this season."

Jeff Sloney (130), Nick Vandermeer (135) and Ty Foltz (140) took third place and went 3-1 for the meet.

Sloney beat Ryan Howcraft from Rochester Adams in a major decision, 12-0. Vandermeer beat Grant Sharkey from Avondale, 11-0 while Foltz had a 11-4 win over Oxford's Wesley Maskill.

Brett Foltz (103), Cameron Wilkie (119) and Mitch Manns (215) finished fourth and were 1-2 for the day.

Clarkston finished 4-3 in the OAA Red.

The boys head to MHSAA Wrestling Districts this week. They face off against Waterford Kettering on Thursday for the Team District meet.

"Kettering won their league so we need to wrestle well in order to beat them," said

Auten. "If Ty is ready to go then we are in good shape - healthy and at the weights we need to be. He may have been hurt in the finals."

"Kettering has improved over the season since we wrestled them in early December," added Pete Vandermeer, parent and Clarkston Wrestling enthusiast. "They are definitely going to come as hard as possible at us due to hosting and being the first match. They want to revenge the loss earlier at our place and they are well coached. I am sure they have made all their adjustments to throw the best game at us."

The meet against the Captains begins at 5:30 p.m. at Waterford Kettering High School.

The winner wrestles Waterford Mott.

The boys head to Walled Lake Central on Saturday morning for their Individual District meet.

They will compete against Lake Orion, Rochester Adams, Pontiac, West Bloomfield, Waterford Kettering, Waterford Mott, Troy, Walled Lake Central, Walled Lake Western, Walled Lake Northern, North Farmington, Hartland, Milford and White Lake.

The top four wrestlers for each weight class moves on to the regional meet next week.

Young grapplers place

Twenty-one Clarkston area residents finished in the top three places at the Davison Open on Ian 23

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Clarkston ski teams rule the snowy slopes

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Racers on the Boys Varsity Ski team are rulers of the mountain after finishing their dual season unde-

Five finished in the top 20 in their dual against Lake Orion on Feb. 1. Freshman Ryan Callahan finished in first place with a a total of :44.12 and junior Brent Vanitallie finished in second place with: 44:61.

Sophomore Alex McIntosh took seventh, Grant Huber, eighth; sophomore Lance Holsbeke, tenth; and junior Nathan Rogers in 18th.

"The team is doing really well," said Coach Mike Foyteck. "They are still a young. We graduated on senior last year and have one senior this year. We have a group of boys that can ski and are contributing to the team results."

He noted Callahan has had consistent finishing. Huber, McIntosh and Vanitallie also consistently ski well.

He added the boys have received off-season training at Pine Knob Ski Resort and Mount Holly.

"It helps them," he said. "We don't have a lot of training time. We had snow early this year and it's been cold but we were only able to get one training day in December before break."

The boys finished third overall at the Traverse City Invitational out of ten schools, scoring 117 points. Traverse City Central won with 75 points and Traverse City West took second with 101.5 points.

The girls team finished in ninth.

"It is always a good race because you have Traverse City Central and West, Harbor Springs, Petoskey, Lake Orion and Cranbrook," he said. "It wasn't too bad."

The girls finished their dual season 4-5.

They graduated two seniors last year and gained three freshman putting them at seven senior Natalie Stevenson; juniors, Riley Dixon, Olivia Dunn, Amy Wozniak; freshman, Arianna Cross, Rebecca Gorz and Karoline Holsbeke.

"We have seven which is a very small team," said Foteck, adding they race six from each team. "They are doing pretty well and the experience they have helps."

In their last race on Feb. 1, five finished in the top

Dunn led the girls placing in 12th with a:52.14 finish. Dixon was the second finisher in 18th, :55.06.

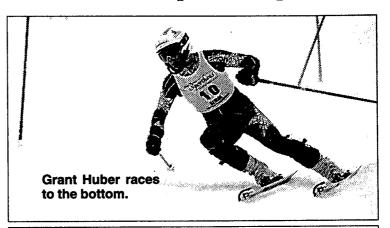
'Olivia is the girls captain and she has been skiing well this year," Foyteck added.

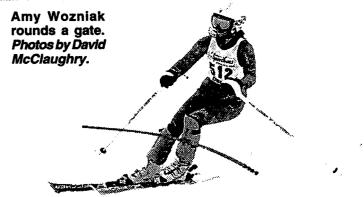
Following close by were Holbeke, 20th; Stevenson, 25th; and Wozniak, 30th. Cross finished in 43rd.

The teams begin their divisional races this Wednesday and Thursday and regionals is next week.

"I don't think we are where we should be skiing but they are doing pretty good," said Foyteck. "The boys team is very strong. We have five at any point that could win a race."

The state meet is Feb. 28 at Marquette Mountain.







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Jarrett Kersten with parents, Sheryl and Lenny. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Kersten going Weste

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Senior Jarrett Kersten brightly smiled as he enjoyed bakery treats with his friends and teammates, celebrating his future, Feb. 4.

A few minutes earlier he had signed his letter of intent to play soccer for Western Michigan University.

"I am really excited. It was the best fit for me," he said. "One of the coaches at another university I was looking at said 'go where you feel the love."

He felt the love from the Bronchos and also had the best offer as well as playing time and experience.

"The coach (Stu Riddle) is fantastic," Kersten added. "They are really building a solid program. I have been watching their progress for the last year."

The four-year starter for the Wolves will add his experience, strength and confidence to the team.

Even though he will be one of the newest members on next year's team Kersten also is going to bring his leadership and build from there as each season comes.

"It is a good decision for him," said mom, Sheryl. "He knows what he wants. Western is going to be a good atmosphere for him. The coach seems good. It seems weird to have a senior and be talking about senior year stuff and college."

time for college is right around the corner but was excited Jarrett was staying in Michigan and the family could watch his home games.

Both vividly remember the first time soccer entered their oldest son's life.

Seven-year-old Jarrett was playing basketball in the driveway when a neighbor said 'come play soccer with us."

"Jarrett did not want anything to do with soccer but our neighbor kept saying come play soccer," said Sheryl.

"He played basketball, that was his big sport," added Lenny. "Soccer was no where near the picture."

Jarrett said yes at another try from the neighbor, had fun and stuck with it. He played for Waterford Warriors and moved on to Vardar. He was Vardar's U18 national championship team in 2010.

He stayed with soccer, explaining it was easier to pick up and he enjoyed playing soccer more.

"I like playing other sports and this is what I feel like I want to do," said Jarrett.

His current GPA is 3.65 and his major is currently undecided.

"I am going to look around and see what I like," Jarrett added.

He earned All-State honors three-times and All-State First Team in Division 1. He scored eight goals and had 10 assists.

Jarrett helped the team his freshman year Lenny, his dad, also couldn't believe the finish as state runner-up in Division 1.

Winter gardener

Gardeners in the winter spend their time dreaming of the ideal garden.

As I look out the front window, I see grey sky, a foot of snow on the ground, and the beginning of a shrub border. I

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see shrub branches, rose stems, and the stems of perennials I never cut down in the fall poke out grown of the snow.

I really need to add some evergreens to the border as well as adding a shrub here and there to fill in the design. On the other side of

the shrub border is Mary Pellerito empty space where I am going to start work on a native prairie.

For now, it is white space but my gardener's eye sees a prairie alive with birds, bees, and butterflies. The vegetable garden is coming

along. I need to order heirloom seeds and get my seedling table and light set up downstairs. I read an article in a British magazine

about creating a potager, which is a french term for an ornamental kitchen garden,

The goal of planting a potager is to make the vegetable garden aesthetically

My vegetable garden is planted with

raised beds and wide rows.

I want to start incorporating fruit trees, raspberries, strawberries, blackberries, and flowers with the vegetables, herbs, and salad greens that currently grow in my vegetable garden to create my own potager.

This winter I realized that I am not a houseplant aficionado.

My succulents are doing fine. I'd like to use them collectively to create a living

Right now they are scattered in separate pots throughout the house.

The daffodils I started indoors have not flowered. I'm going to need to move them to the seedling table so they get their fill of light and warmth.

I received an orchid as a gift. The directions said to add three ice cubes a week to the pot. I've been doing that, and it keeps blooming.

The Christmas amaryllis bloomed a month late. The red blooms are gorgeous and are still in full bloom.

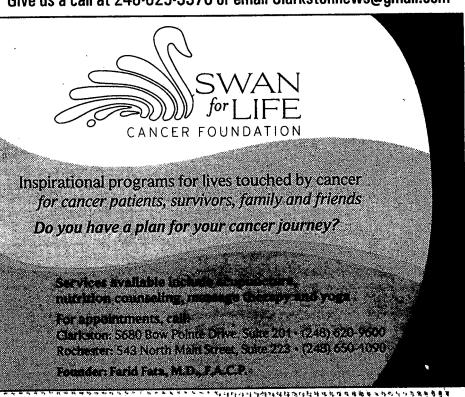
To be honest, I like the look of houseplants when they fill up the porch in the summer.

Even though I have them clustered on a few tables inside, they seem to be biding their time until they can be outside in the fresh air. I can relate.

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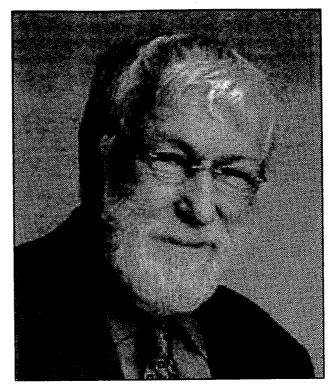
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We're very proud to anounce that 2011 marks our 50th Anniversary! That's right, in 1961 our founder, Dr. James O'Neill, opened his practice. There's been a tremendous amount of change, both in Clarkston and in the field of medicine, but one man's mission 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 Univerity 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 suppies, 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.

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

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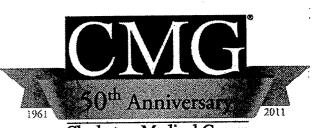
Growing up as the youngest son of Dr. O'Neill and then joining him in practice, I have quite a few stories of my own! One that always sticks with me occurred when I was only seven or eight years old. In those years, people came to our home at all hours of the day or night if they were sick or injured.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

We hope you and your family will be healthy and happy in 2011!

Dr. Tim O'Neill, D.O. President, Clarkston Medical Group



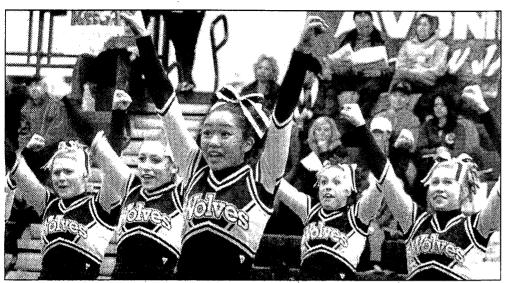
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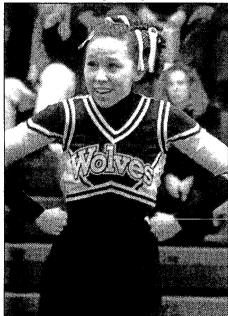
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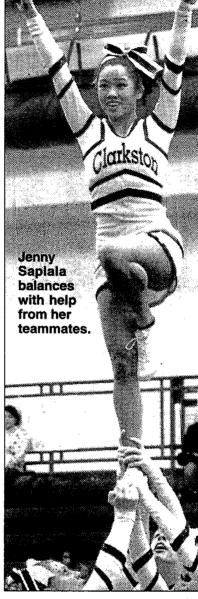
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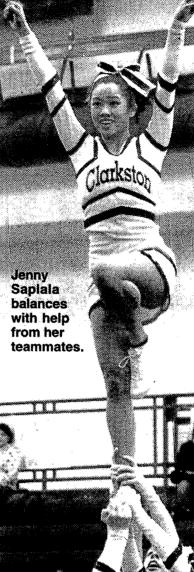


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OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS -**PROFESSIONAL LAKE** MANAGEMENT SERVICES ON SOFTWATER LAKE

The Charter Township of Springfield will receive sealed proposals to provide Professional Lake Management Services on Softwater Lake at the Supervisor's office located at 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, 48350, until 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Monday, February 28, 2011 at which time they will be publicly opened and available for inspection.

Bid Documents may be obtained from the Township office during regular business hours or downloaded at ww.springfield-twp.us beginning Monday, February 7, 2011; No deposit is required. Inquiries can be made in person or by calling 248-846-6502.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals meet on Wednesday, March 2, 2011, 7:30 PM in the independence Township Hall Conference Room, 6483 Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston, MI 48346, to hear the

Case #11-0001 Modern-Craft Homes, Inc., Petitioner for Hinkley, Thomas and Kathleen

APPLICANT REQUESTS 10' SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE FROM ARTICLE III, DIVISION 25, SECTION 50-890 AND VARIANCE FROM AR-TICLE IV, SECTION 50-918 (4) OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CON-STRUCTATTACHED GARAGE (ONLOT LINE) ON NON-CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD

4603 Ennismore Dr., R-1A Woodhuli Lake Sub., Lot 9 08-34-386-019

Case #11-0002 Kubicki, Karen, Petitioner for Hamlin Pub APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE FROM ARTICLE III, DIVISION 24, SEC-TION 50-861 OF THE ZONING ORDI-NANCE TO ALLOW A ONE DAY OUT-DOOR EVENT, UNDER TENT IN PARK-ING LOT, ON THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2010. Hamlin Pub

6397 Sashabaw Rd., C-2 Independence Town Square

08-27-100-045
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE RE-QUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hear-For Further Information call (248) 625-8111.

Respectfully submitted, Paula Heenan, Deputy Clerk

AFFIDAVIT OF FACT

County of Oakland)

Raiph Leo Daigle, hereinafter your "Affiam" being first duly swom, eposes and says that:

All facts stated herein are true, correct and certain, to the best of my

STATEMENT OF FACT

I, Raiph Leo Daigle, am Executor to the Estate Name RALPH LEO DAIGLE, from Michigan birth certificate file #121-582-0495828, Estate as Winessed by my Sole Ability to Personally Obtain a CERTIFICATE OF Birnt-H and Do Here

By: Executor Raiph Leo Daigle Executor Office Nation - Michigan General Post-Office County Oakland N. Hocomb - 94-1/2 Clarkston, Daigle Province

United States Minor, Outlyning Islands.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 19th day of January 2011

STATE OF MICHIGAN **PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND** NOTICE TO CREDITORS

FILE NO: 2011-334, 497-DE

Decedent's Estate

Estate of MARRELLA EVERSOLE LUECK, DECEASED. Date of TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, MARRELLA EVERSOLE LUECK, DECEASED, who lived at 8384 Vanden Drive, White Lake, Michigan died January 19, 2011

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the es will be forever barred unless presented to Sarah A. Lueck, named per-sonal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P-24924

2745 Pontiac Lake Road Waterford, Michigan 48328 (248) 682-8800

8384 Vanden Drive White Lake, Michigan 48386

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NDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:

Thursday, February 24, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. At the Independence Township Building Dept. Meeting Room (upstairs), 6483 Waldon Center Drive, an, 48346, to consider the following: FILE PC #2011-002 Clarkston Michigan, 483

Mark & Kathi Luis (Petitioner)
REQUESTING SPECIAL LAND USE TO ALLOW MOTOR VEHICLE

SALES IN A C-3 DISTRICT IN ACCORDENCE WITH SEC.50-565 (5) OF THE INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORD. Intended Use: Commercial Motor Vehicle Sales

Parcel Identification Numbers: 08-32-226-016 Common Description: 1.01 Acres C-3 zoning 6560 Dixie Hwy Clarkston, Mi 48346

(former Michigan Rental site)
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE RE-QUEST MAY BE EXAMINED at the Township Building Department during regular business hours. Written comments may be sent to the Planning Commission c/o the Independence Township Building Department, 6483 Weldon Center Drive, Clarkston, MI 48346 prior to the Public Hearing/Meeting. For further information call (248) 625-

Paula Heenan, Deputy Clerk The Township will provide the necessary, reasonable auxiliary sids and services to individuals with disabilities at a public hearing/meeting upon advance notice in writing or by calling the Township Building Department (248) 625-

IDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oak land County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on: Thursday, Febuary 24, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

At the Independence Township Building Dept. Meeting Room (upstairs), 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston Michigan, 48346, to consider the following: FILE PC #2011-001

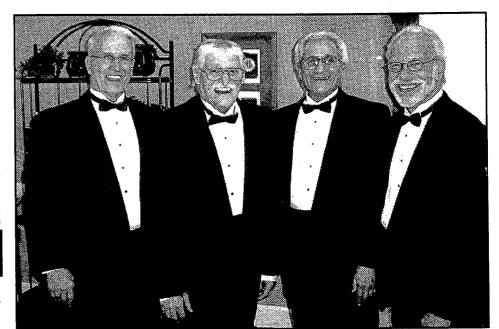
Shamsul Haque, Petition REZONING REQUEST

From: Office **OS-2**

Intended Use: Commercial Parcel Identification Numbers: 08-30-176-001 Common Description: 4.88 Acres North West side of Dixie High-

way, (Dixie Hwy & Foster Rd.) NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE RE-QUEST MAY BE EXAMINED at the Township Building Department during regular business hours. Written comments may be sent to the Planning Commission c/o the Independence Township Building Department, 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, Mi 48346 prior to the Public Hearing/Meeting. For further information call (248) 625-

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Singing Valentines

Big Chief Quartet delivers Singing Valentines, Feb. 12-14. The local singing group offers two love songs, red rose, Valentine Card, and a photo of the recipient and quartet. For more information, call 586-915-6137.

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE FEBRUARY 1, 2011

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Carson, Wallace, Rosso, Petterson, Wagner

Ahsent-Lohmeier

There was a quorum. The Agenda was approved, with the removal of the Presentation by BS&A for Financial Management

Software and the Rate Increa ases and Perpetual Care Fund for Cemeteries. The Public Forum opened at 7:32 and closed at 7:32,

with no one addressing the Board. The Consent Agenda was approved with the remova of the Minutes of January 11, 2011 and the Check

Run. Authorized Township Attorney to draft a letter to the City of the Village of Clarkston to receive timely

payments for Library, Fire and Police Contracts. Update on the airing of Township Board meetings on AT&T U-verse Cable Station with the Supervisor re-

turning to the Board in the future with further updates. Discussion update concerning the 2010 Year-End

Budget Performance Review.

10. Acceptance of the 2011 Budget Amendments for

Approved additional compensation for Kelly Hver for taking on additional responsibilities during the Director's

12. Approved notifying the HR Director of her working hours, with the Supervisor signing her timesheet, and with her posting hours to be available to staff each

 Approved scheduling a Special Meeting for conduct-ing interviews for the Interim Clerk's position on February 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. with interviews starting at

14. Discussion of interview process for Interim Clerk's position.

Approved Minutes of the January 11, 2011 meeting.

18. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m. Published: 2/9/2011

New rules for HR director

Continued from page 1B

"She's not like the building director or one of the other departments like the assessor where you're going to go assess houses or go make sure construction is being done properly."

The board voted 4-1 to notify the HR director of work expectations, her time sheet signed by the supervisor, and post her hours available to staff each week.

Wallace voted "no." Trustee David Lohmeier was absent from the meeting.

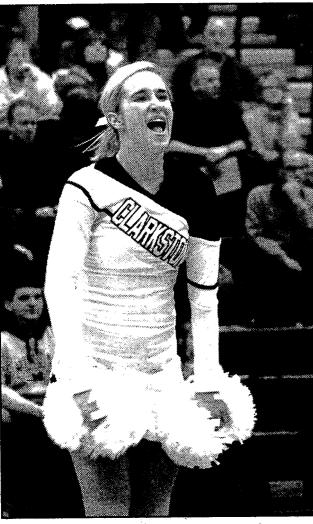
"I do spot check time sheets all the time." Wagner said. "I will verify the fact the person did work it."

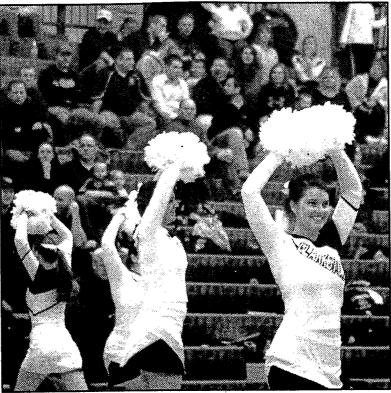
Gabris is out on sick leave and could not be reached for comment.

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16. Approved Check Run17. Closing Statements by Board Members. ClarkstonNews@gmail.com





Danielle Reynolds, at right, strikes a pose.

Dancing to the beat



Samantha Ottman completes a spin. Photos by Wendi, Reardon,





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Favorite
Valentine's
memory?

"My husband put a huge Valentine's heart made out of construction paper across my wind-shield."



- Ellie Keller and husband, Bill

"If Clarkston Cheer wins the DAA White league at Oxford."



- Marci Francis

"My first Valentine's Day with my husband in Hawaii. We spent it on the beach."



Jessica Enderle and son,



– Vanessa Myers

By Wendi Reardon

Millstream News'



Always dog days for volunteers

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Volunteers with Canine Companions Rescue Center found homes for almost 700 dogs last year, but more are always needed.

"The ongoing need is pretty intense," said Connie Fleck of Independence Township, who founded the group with her husband in 2004. "All rescue groups do what they can to spay and neuter stray dogs, but there are still lots of puppies."

They also have many adult dogs for adoption

"Adult dogs already know how to take care of themselves," Fleck said. "A puppy is like a baby in the house, they need more attention. Adults adapt to their new home – it's amazing how quickly they become part of the family."

The non-profit, all-volunteer group accepts dogs from animal control agencies around the state

"They can't place all dogs, so they look to rescue groups to help," Fleck said.

About 35 volunteers work year round, fostering dogs and working at pet adoption events to find homes for them.

"We can always use more volunteers," Fleck said. "Many of them have volunteered regularly for quite some time. It's habit forming."

Foster-care volunteers receive pet food, medi-

cine, and medical care for the dogs.
"They have to give the dogs up, but they

know they're saving more dogs," she said.

They host adoption fairs every Sunday, 12-4
p.m. at Petco, 4820 South Baldwin Road in Lake
Orion

Camp Bow Wow, 6374 Sashabaw Road, hosts Cupids and Canines Adoption Event, 12-3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 13, benefiting Canine Companions. They will also have refreshments, professional photo of pup in Kissing Booth, and a contest to



Connie Fleck of Canine Companions Rescue Center, with Laddie, an 8-week-old collie beagle mix from a litter of nine. All are up for adoption. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

win an iPad, tickets \$5.

"It's rewarding – people who adopt dogs come back and tell us how they're doing," she said.

Adoption fee is \$185, unchanged since 2004, and the same for puppy or adult, purebred or not – fee includes spay or neuter, and age-ap-

propriate vaccination.

"We look for ways to adopt dogs – make sure the dog is a good choice for each family situation," Fleck said.

For more information, call 248-834-9419. For information on Camp Bow Wow, call 248-620-WOOF (9663).



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Your Home Town Disposal Service

Special Events

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.

Rehab Your Habitat, Clarkston Community Womens Club, 7 p.m., Feb. 17, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Debbie Somerville, with ways to refurbish furniture.

Weekly meetings

Monday

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

Pony Basketball League, for high school boys not on the school team, mid afternoons, Sundays, Clarkston Junior High, 6595 Middle Lake. \$200/resident team. \$300/non-resident team. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

Mothers & More, non-profit dedicated to improving lives of mothers through support, education, advocacy, 7:15 p.m., third Monday, Red Knapp's Restaurant, 6722 Dixie Highway. 248-507-4839.

Grief Support Group, Coats Funeral Home,



6:30 p.m., first and third Mondays, Community Presbyterian Church, 4301 Monroe Street at Sashabaw. 248-623-7232.

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

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

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

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

Afternoon Line Dancing, Mondays, 1:30-4 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Country, Spanish salsa, rock and roll, cha cha, with Rosemary Hall. \$3 drop in.

Tuesday

Tai Chi with Tammy Cropp, gentle movements for healing, stress reduction, balance, increased flexibility, Tuesdays, 10 a.m. \$8 per

session. Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-420-6119.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

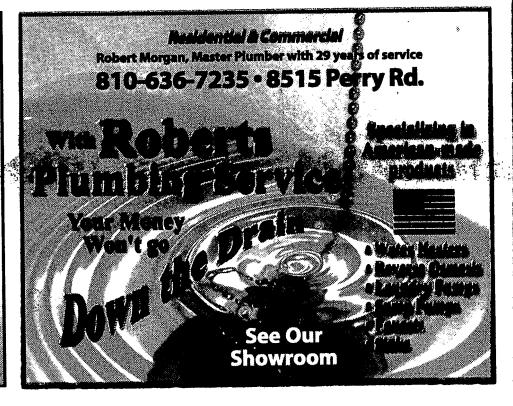
Clarkston Area Optimist Club, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Wednesdays, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-622-6096.

Pickleball, all levels welcome, equipment provided, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., \$3; Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4. First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road. Sponsored by Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center. 248-625-8231.

Wednesday

Dinner and Euchre Evening, third Wednesday, Jan. 19-Feb. 16. Prizes awarded to first, Please see Around Town on page 3C





Around Town

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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.

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

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

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

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

H.O.P.E., Health Optimism Perseverance Education, cancer support group for people with any type of cancer, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute - Clarkston, Conference Room, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Emotional support and education to help with adjustment and coping. 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., Jan. 21-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 Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Saturday

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

Volunteer opportunities

Volunteering, Avalon Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, personal care, or just be there. Two hours a week or more. 800-664-6334; Oakland County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, 248-559-

1147; McLaren Hospice, not-for-profit, companionship-type to visit and provide emotional support for patients living with terminal illness, 248-320-0106. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Oakland County, 55+, opportunities at hospitals, cultural institutions, food pantries, schools. 248-559-1147

Community events?

Tell us about them at ClarkstonNews@gmail.com or 248-625-3370



Religion Tough questions to make sense of faith

I recently finished a sermon series at Clarkston Community Church called THEOL-OGY. Its purpose was to help people think through what they really believe about God. I made the point that everyone has a theology. The word theology comes from two Greek words that mean "to speak about God."

Even the person who uses God's name as a cuss word has a theology! An atheist has a theology. Her theology is -there is no God!

There's a common idea running around that says that faith is blind. Faith is illogical, or at least non-logical. The idea is that faith does not make sense, but because it makes you feel better, it's OK to go on believing it. God is like Santa



Spiritual

Matters

Pastor Greg Henneman

Claus. If you are immature (and a little stupid), it's OK to believe in him. But as you grow up (and get smarter) you realize that it really doesn't make sense.

In my talks, we asked some tough questions such as: Is the Bible the Word of God or the words of men? Isn't the Bible historically unreliable, scientifically impossible, and culturally regressive? How can we possibly pretend to use it as a guide for our lives?

We also discussed the existence and character of God. Is there any evidence that God exists? If so, how can we know what he is like?

We talked about Jesus, especially the claim that he is the only way of salvation. Isn't that claim arrogant, narrow-minded, and mean? We also talked about religion and the church. Isn't religion the major cause of violence in the world today? Some claim that the way to world peace is to get rid of religion and live simply according to reason and sci-

Tough issues, wouldn't you agree! Having spent the last several months studying these issues, I have come to the conviction that the Christian faith makes more sense than any other religion or worldview or philosophy. (I know that sounds intolerant, but it really isn't! We'll leave that discussion for another time).

The Christian faith can be summarized with four key words: creation, fall, redemption, and restoration. Simply put, there is a personal God who created us on purpose so

that we can enjoy love with him and others. The problem is that we are fallen -we rebelled against God - and now we are broken and messed up. The good news is that God invites us to a renewed relationship with him through Jesus, who died and rose again to redeem us from sin. And he promises that one day he will restore this entire universe back to the way it was, and even better.

These four foundational concepts explain much about us and our world. Why do we deeply need to love and be loved? God created us for that purpose! Why is there suffering and evil in the world, and why are we so broken? The fall! Is there any hope for us and our future? Yes! Redemption and restoration!

Atheism has no basis for morality or meaning. Buddhism claims that personality (and therefore love) is an illusion. Hinduism teaches that our ultimate goal is to escape life, relationships, and personality, and be absorbed into the ocean of nothingness. When I compare the Christian faith to any other worldview, it really makes a lot of sense. What's your theology?

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

In our churches...

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

Bethany North, peer support to all faiths dealing with divorce or separation, general meeting, 7:30 p.m., fourth Monday, Cushing Center, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park, call Tim, 248-628-6825, or Joann. 248-673-2539.

DC4K, DivorceCare for Kids, safe, fun place where children ages 5-12 learn to understand their feelings, express emotions appropriately, feel better about themselves, and make friends with other kids who understand what it feels like when parents get divorced. Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. 12-week session starts Jan. 11. DivorceCare for adults runs concurrently. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

Wednesday Evening FEAST, dinner at 6 p.m., worship at 6:50 p.m., classes for all ages, 7:15-8:30 p.m. Free nursery. Calvary Lutheran

See In Our Churches, page 5C

SASHABAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Little Church with a BIG Heart" 5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston Worship 11:00 am Phone (248) 673-3101

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

5449 Clarkston Rd. Clarkston (248) 394-0200 Fax: (248) 394-2142 Rev. Doctor Martin Hall Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Dream Keepers Youth Group Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 pm Youth Groups 6-12 Wednesday 6:30 pm www.FirstCongregationalChurch.org

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6490 Clarkston Rd: Clarkston Pastor: Rev. Cynthia A. Garman Sunday 8 am & 10 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School 9:55 am Nursery Provided www.darkstonepiscopal.org 248-625-2325

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Julius J. Barna, 92

Julius J. Barna of Clarkston passed away Feb. 2, 2011, at age 92.

He was preceded in death by his wife Thelma. He was the uncle of David (Ruth) Barna and Maryanne (Robert) Adair.

Private arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home - Cremation Services, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Gilbert Lee Bush, 84

Gilbert Lee Bush, formerly of Waterford, passed away, Feb. 2, 2011, at age 84.

He was preceded in death by his wife Imogene and siblings Jim, Alvy, Louis, Unis and Ruby. He was the loving father of Charles (Patricia) Bush and Phillip (Jill) Bush; grandfather of Curtis, Jason, and Carrie; great grandfather of Clara; brother of Betty Hebda and Sam



Bush. A special thank you to Janice and Melissa, Gilbert's Visiting Angels.

Private burial took place at Ottawa Park Cemetery, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Blair V. Hubbard, 50

Blair V. Hubbard of Waterford passed away, Jan. 31, 2011, after a courageous battle with cancer, at age 50.

He was the beloved husband of Kathryn

M. for nearly 25 years; loving father of Lauren Michele (fiancé William Oley) and Rachel Blair; son of Sue and the late Gene Hubbard; son-inlaw of Dale and the late Marie Chaffee; brother of Jeffrey, Kevin (Brenda) and Craig (Sally); brother-in-law



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of Thomas (Margaret) Chaffee; adored uncle of 14; great-uncle of four; devoted friend of Greg and Cindy Elliott.

Mr. Hubbard was a 1978 Lakeland High School graduate and a past 4-H member. Blair enjoyed hosting pig roasts and making people laugh with his awesome sense of humor. He is proud member of Community Bible Church, Waterford.

Funeral service was Feb. 5 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family for the future college education of Lauren and Rachel.

Online guest www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Rev. Nancy Sue Jagiello of Davisburg passed away Feb. 4, 2011, at age 45.

She was the daughter of Rev. Carolee Polan; preceded in death by her father John; sister of Cheryl Knight, Jorga (David) Delgado, Patty Vance, Michael (Carrie) Jagiello, and Owen Jagiello; 10 nieces and nephews, 18 great nieces and nephews. and one great great niece.



Memorial service will be held at the Good Samaritan Spiritualist Church, 5401 Oak Park Dr., Clarkston, on Saturday, Feb. 12, 1 p.m. with pot-luck following. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home-Cremation Services, Clarkston. Any donations may be made to the family. Online

Jerry Powell, 66

guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Jerry Powell, longtime Clarkston resident, passed away Feb. 4, 2011, at age 66.

He was the father of Kyle (John) Powell Bokor; grandpa of Blake and Abby; dear friend / former husband of Adele: brother of Larry (Lois) Powell; preceded in death by his siblings: Betty, Shirley, Ruby, and Marion.



Funeral service, Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home. Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Independence Parks and Recreation for youth sports. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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Rev. Nancy Jagiello, 45 Robert Wiegand, 90

Robert Mark Wiegand, 90, longtime Clarkston resident,

passed away Thursday, Feb. 4, at St. Anne's Residence in Miami. Fla.

Mr. Wiegand, "Bob," was born April 24, 1920, in Jackson, Mich., son of Clifford and Marie Wiegand. He was a respected musician. known for tenor saxophone and clarinet.



At the height of his career he toured with the famous Jimmy Dorsey orchestra. Bob returned home to the Waterford - Clarkston area in the early 50's and established a musical instrument store with his brother and father.

After a decade of operating Wiegand Music Center, the three Wiegands decided to focus on their piano tuning careers. Bob was proud of his heritage as a fourth generation piano technician and tuned professionally for 42 years. He was a member of the Piano Technicians Guild as well as a lifelong member of the Pontiac Musicians Union.

The piano tuning family heritage is being carried on by Bob's son Dana, nephew Jerry Jr., and grandson Jordan. In addition to tuning, Bob played in the Pontiac area with a variety of bands until his health declined.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sophie and son Michael Wiegand. Bob is survived by sons Dana (Sue) Wiegand, Patrick (Marylou) Wiegand and adopted daughter Sharyn McDonnell, grandchildren Jordan (Lisa) Wiegand, Janna (Michael) Oslund, Alec Wiegand, Shelby Wiegand, Sean Wiegand, Jennifer Wiegand, Steven McDonnell, Melanie McDonnell and greatgrandchildren Rylee Oslund and Raegan Oslund. He also leaves behind his stepchildren - Diane Velzy, Star Jackier, Bill Bailey, Wayne (Diane) Bailey, David (Andrea) Bailey and Trina (Steve) Liebowitz, several additional grandchildren and great grandchildren. We will miss him.

The family would be honored by your presence at a visitation Wednesday evening from 7-9 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. There will also be a brief interment ceremony at the chapel at Ottawa Park Cemetery in Clarkston on Thursday at 10 am. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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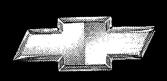
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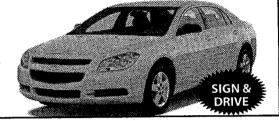
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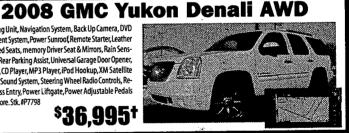
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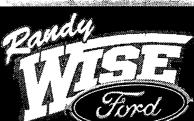
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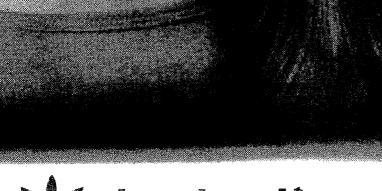
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