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Todd and Michelle Carter of Clarkston, at the Clarkston Farmers' Market with their children Miles, left, and Maya, check out some fresh green beans offered by Rose Szubielak of Rose Mary's Garden, Columbiaville. Please see page 4A for story. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

Schools \$2.6 million short

BYWENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston Community Schools will start the year \$2.6 million short as they begin their 2011-2012 fiscal year, Friday.

The Board of Education voted unanimously, Monday, to approve the budget. Projected revenue is \$77.7 million, \$1.9 million less than estimated revenue for last year, with expenditures totaling \$80.4 million.

The \$2.6 million difference will be taken out of the district's fund balance of \$5.6 million,

said Bruce Beamer, executive director of business services.

He said other ways to balance the budget include spending only 96.3 percent of what is budgeted, or the state could raise its per-pupil funding amount.

The district expects \$7,252 per pupil. With a blended student count of 8,168.18, that brings in \$59.2 million, after adjustments brings the total brought in down to \$54.2 million. State and federal grants, facility rental, early childcare

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Independence saved

Kept promises keep Fourth fun in Clarkston

BYTREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Without direct community support, Clarkston's Fourth of July would have withered on the vine this year.

But folks came through, ensuring a day filled of parading patriotism through downtown and festival fun in Clintonwood Park, topped with a full fireworks display.

In keeping with their promise to match every dollar raised for July 4 festivities, Clarkston Community Church contributed \$10,000.

"We at Clarkston Community Church are so excited to be able to serve our great community of Clarkston. We are also thankful for the many businesses and individuals who took the challenge to keep

the fireworks this year," said Pastor Dan Whiting, administrative pastor of Clarkston Community Church. "One of our church's main goals is to reach out and make a difference in the lives of people in our community and this was one of the ways to serve."

The parade is organized by a coalition of community organizations including Clarkston Optimists, Clarkston Knights of Columbus, Mount Zion Church, and Clarkston Lions Club.

"It's looking pretty good – about 70 entries: fire engines, a number of veterans groups including Vietnam veterans, tractors, kids groups, churches, a lot of businesses," said Rob Whitcomb, Clarkston Lions Club volunteer.

The Independence Township Fire Department organized parade prevously, but had to give it up to concentrate on fire protection. Organizing their first parade was Please see Fourth on page 2A

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Duane Higgens, Clarkston Community Church community team member, Pastor Greg Henneman, senior pastor of Clarkston Community Church, Kelly Hyer, Independence Twp Recreation supervisor Ken Elwert, Independence Twp Parks and Recreation Director. *Photo Provided.*

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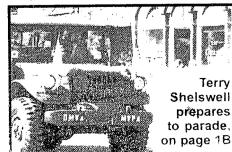
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Fourth of July festivities all day long

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challenging, but the community groups worked well together, Whitcomb said.

"Everyone pulled their weight well and did their part," he said.

They were also assisted by Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Dawn Horner of Clarkston State Bank, Peg Roth of Downtown Retailers Group, as well as community volunteers such as Joette Kunse, Whitcomb said.

"It was pretty much a community effort," he said. "Hopefully we can keep it going and not let it die after one year. Making sure it continues is very important."

The parade, with the theme American Classics, starts at 10 a.m. at St. Daniel's Catholic Church on Holcomb Road. It's route is through downtown on Main Street to Clarkston Community Education building on Waldon Road.

The Festival of Fun and Fireworks follows at Clintonwood Park in Independence Township.

Clarkston Community Church pledged 50-100 volunteers to help at the festival, and is challenging residents to come out and volunteer for a shift on the day of the event.

"It's such a great tradition for thousands of Clarkston families, that we felt it would have been a shame to lose. We thought it

Festival of Fun and Fireworks

- Parking at Clintonwood Park, \$5 per car; after 6
 p.m., \$10 per car;
- Veterans Celebration, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., recognition ceremony, Military Museum in Carriage House, National Cemetery Presentation, meet and greet;
- Arts and Crafts Show, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.;
- Children's Activities and Inflatables, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
- K-9 Toss and Fetch Competition, 1 p.m.;
- Tripp N Dixie at 3 p.m.; Rockstock Summer Camp,
 5:30 p.m.; Pat Saunders and Clarkston All-Stars Band,
 6:30 p.m., Radio Disney AM 910 D-Tour, 8 p.m.;
- Fireworks, dusk. No personal fireworks permitted.

would be great if churches and businesses rally together to make the Festival of Fun and Fireworks happen," said Pastor Greg Henneman, senior pastor of Clarkston Community Church.

"We're very fortunate to live in such a generous community and for them to earmark our events as one of their top priorities was really humbling," said Kelly Hyer, recreation supervisor of Independence Township Parks and Rec. "Because of their generosity, we were able to put on this event this year."

Forty-four donations were made to this year's festivities, of those were thirteen individuals/families, four churches in addition to Clarkston Community Church,

four local organizations and over 20 businesses. Independence Pool and Spa and DMT Homes also stepped forward to sponsor the evening entertainment, Radio Disney's AM910 D-Tour.

"It (the community challenge) really motivated a lot of new donors this year and even some donors that have made significant contributions in the past really stepped up and doubled their contributions in some cases," Hyer said. "It wasn't just their donation, it just had a ripple effect."

With this year's goal already met, additional donations will be set aside for next year's Festival. Donations can be sent to: Independence Township Parks and Recreation, P. O. Box 69, Clarkston, MI 48347. Donation forms can be printed off or done online at www.itpr.org.

Make checks payable to: Independence Township. VISA or Mastercard also accepted. For more information, go to www.twp.independence.mi.us or call 248-625-8223.

"We're looking forward to an exciting event this year," said Park and Rec. Director Ken Elwert. "The fireworks are in a slightly different location, just across the street (from Clintonwood Park at Everest Academy) to make it more visible for everybody and we're encouraging everybody to come out."



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Briefly

Liberty Festival

Clarkston Community Church hosts its fifth annual Liberty Festival, July 4, 7-10 p.m., on church grounds, 6300 Clarkston Road.

The festival features air games, frozen custard, pizza and a view of the Independence Township fireworks at Clintonwood Park, all free.

Activities also include face painting and balloons for children as well as music from its Solid Rockers band, featuring family friendly rock, country, and Christian music.

Bring blankets and lawn chairs. No personal fireworks allowed. For more information, call 248-625-1323.

CHS reunion, picnic

The Clarkston High School Class of 1981 reunion is Saturday, July 16, starting at 5:30 with dinner at 7 p.m., at the Oakland County Sportsman's Club. Cost is \$45 for dinner, music, and includes beer, wine and soft drinks. A DJ will play all the favorite 1970's and 80's music. You must sign up and pay by June 30.

The Alumni Picnic is at Independence Oaks from 12-8:30 p.m., July 17. Signs will guide you to the picnic area called Moraine Knolls and it's a huge area with restrooms and plenty of parking. Please let everybody know about this. We should have a really big turnout to see those who graduated in different classes.

Burn study group

Independence Township needs seven citizens to study and make recommendations to the Township Board about its open burning ordinance.

The ordinance was brought to the board's attention by Sandra Boggemes who suffers serious health issues when leaves are burned. Boggemes will be one of the members of the group.

Check www.twp.independence.mi.us or call 248-625-5111.

Cure T-shirts on sale

Clarkston Wolves gridiron gang's Third Annual Football for a Cure is Aug. 13. T-shirts, jerseys, and polo shirt orders are available through July 29.

Jerseys are \$100, name plate is \$50, and \$50 to become an honorary "Coach of the Day." T-shirts are \$10, \$13 for XXL, 3XL and 4XL. Forms are available at McLaren Breast Cancer at Clarkston and Great Lakes Clarkston Institute, both at 5701 Bow Pointe Drive.

Call 248-922-6810.

Local grower shares knowledge at Garden Walk

BY JOETTE KUNSE

Special to the Clarkston News

Virgil Roberts' home with its variety of trees is one of six featured on the 2011 Clarkston Garden Walk, Wednesday, July 13, 12-7 p.m. The home sits on a hill overlooking Roberts' tree farm, one of the largest in Oakland County.

Garden walk participants will see many unusual trees Roberts has researched and purchased for the farm.

The Roberts moved to their home off Whipple Lake Road over 45 years ago when the 20 acres was an alfalfa field. Roberts said he always had the idea of having a tree farm. The first year, a drought destroyed all his trees, but he persevered.

Today, the garden overlooks thousands of tree and plant species. Diane Roberts says she has her pick of trees, but the yard will only hold so many.

A Camperdown Elm that Virgil pruned like an umbrella sits just outside the kitchen window. The tree is a haven for birds and the orange birdfeeder located nearby with grape jelly attracts the local Baltimore Oriole population for a quick snack.

Diane said the tree acts as a canopy to shelter the birds. Virgil adds it also shields the birds from the local hawk population and provides the family with the enjoyment of bird watching.

The Roberts say they believe the tree farm acts as a shelter for the bird population with indigo buntings, bluebirds, goldfinches, cardinals, fly catchers, hummingbirds, nuthatches and chickadees all making their homes in the many trees.

While Virgil says he is self-taught about the tree business, he has interests in grafting and pruning.

He said the Lavender Twist Redbud tree was a freak of nature, but a nurseryman in Ohio purchased the tree from a woman in Pennsylvania and grafted the original tree to create many more.

He explained the grafting process is similar to cloning where the tissue of one



Diane and Virgil Roberts stand in their garden overlooking the Roberts Tree Farm.

plant is inserted into another plant.

A Heritage River Birch has a place of honor on the hill near the house. Virgil said the Heritage River Birch is resistant to the bronze birch bore, drought tolerant and, after the first year, is fast growing and becoming popular in this area.

He still specializes in different cultivars of maples, but people are interested in un-

usual trees

"When people drive down a street and see an unusual tree, they often come by wanting to have something similar," he said.

Trees are somewhat similar to fashion, in that they change over years, said Virgil, who offers nine types of maples as well as a variety of specialty trees.

A TriColored Beech is a front yard favorite of the Roberts. The tree has been around since the 1930s or 1940s. While the tree is a slow grower needing 4-5 hours of shade each day, the pink, purple and white leaved tree is currently very popular, he said

A Nine Bark tree with wine colored leaves and a white trunk also sits in a place of honor in the yard.

Visitors will also see many of the ironwork pieces made by Virgil and placed aptly around the house gardens.

The Roberts along with five other residents open their gardens for the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club's sixth annual Garden Walk on July 13.

Proceeds from the garden walk are used for educational programs for Clarkston students, maintaining Main Street planters, Independence Township Library gardens and scholarships for high school seniors.

Tickets are \$15 prior to the day of the walk and are available at Bordines on Dixie Highway, KH Home, 27 S. Main, Clarkston Chamber of Commerce, 5856 S. Main, The Birdfeeder, 7150 N. Main, and Clarkston Country Store, 21 N. Main, or by sending a check made out to Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, P.O. Box 1011, Clarkston 48347.

On the day of the walk, participants begin at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

Walkers can pick up a list of restaurants with specials for participants, browse an Artist Market on the library grounds and pick up the walk program with addresses.

Tickets will be available at the library on the day of the walk for \$18. For more information, call 248-620-2984.

District dips into savings to make up shortfall

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program and the food service accounts for the rest of the revenues.

Beamer noted the formula for the blended enrollment count is changing this year. The blend will be 10 percent from the February student count and 90 percent from September

"It could impact state income," he said.

Another impact for the district is the loss of \$1.4 million in federal special-education and preschool grants and funding.

The district trimmed \$3.8 million from the budget following board parameters, as well as Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock's list of re-

ductions provided throughout the year.

"We have been more on the same page with our parameters and closer to the same page as we have ever been before," said Steve Hyer, board president.

Reductions include salary freeze for teachers, concessions in salary for parapros, COPA concessions in salary, health care changes, reduction in the number of elementary media specialists, savings on principal replacements, and cuts to International Baccalaureate, transportation, instructional aides at the elementary level, and clerical support at the secondary level.

Health care changes to a self-funded plan

saved the district \$2.4 million.

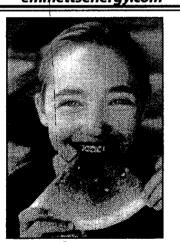
Another change is retirement contributions going up to 24.46 percent from 20.66 pecent, up 3.8 percent on all salaries.

Kathy Noble, a teacher at Bailey Lake Elementary, asked the board to keep communications open on classroom aide positions.

"The small funds that go to the aides are returned tenfold to us and the students," she said. "Save the positions."

"We appreciate everything everyone has done," responded Hyer. "We understand it is a difficult task – coordinate 850 employees, insurance, moving around staff. I look forward to seeing fewer things amended."





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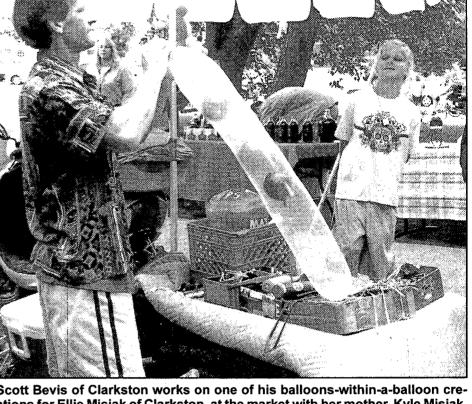
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Scott Bevis of Clarkston works on one of his balloons-within-a-balloon creations for Ellie Misiak of Clarkston, at the market with her mother, Kyle Misiak, and brother, Duncan Misiak. Photos by Phil Custodio

Lots of early produce at market

BY PHILCUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston Farmers' Market is open for

The market opened June 18 and runs every Saturday through Oct. 8, except for Art in the Park on Sept. 17. Hours are 8 a.m.-12 p.m., rain or shine, in the Clarkston parking lot across from Depot Park.

It will be open this Saturday, July 2.

"Usually, the market is closed around the Fourth of July for the holiday," said Anissa Howard, market director.

Items offered at the market include earlyharvest greens and produce; Michigan roasted, organic fair trade, and iced coffees; organic grass-fed beef; certified organic eggs and bread; fresh pasta and salsa; Gold Medal red pepper mustard; gluten free products; organic doggie donuts; Henna art; cut flowers; soaps; frozen apple cider slushes and donuts maple syrup; open pollinated organic corn chips; llama and al paca fibers; raw cheese; organic yogurt and ice cream; organic home cleaning supplies; pasties; soy candles; granola; and pies, cheesecakes, and other baked goods.

"We have lots of stuff down here," Howard said.

Lots more is expected as produce comes

"We had a late spring so produce is late," Howard said. "Cucumbers, tomatoes, that's all coming. The main harvest will be here in mid July."

Baskets woven by Baba Atule Ibrahim, master weaver from Ghana, are available.

"It's the last of the baskets - if anyone wants one, better come," Howard said.

Market-goers can also enjoy live music as well as other park activities, such as yoga

"It makes it a cool morning," she said.

At its peak, about 40 vendors will serve about 2,000 shoppers.

Folks can bring their dogs, but they must be kept on a leash, and on the walkway or by the river, not inside booths.

The farmers' market is run by 10-12 community volunteers. New volunteers are always welcome. Also welcome are donations of Radio Flyer wagons, which are used as shopping carts.

For more information, call 248-821-GROW (4769) or email info@clarkstonfarmersmarket. org.



Shoppers at the farmers' market.



Tom Diab as Paul and Ron Lockhard as George.

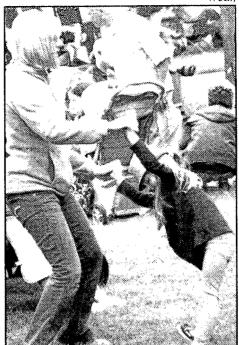
Depot Park invaded by Beatlemania

Despite the damp chilly weather on Fri- Toppermost. day, a large crowd bundled with blankets and sweatshirts made their way to Depot Park to listen famous Beatles Tribute Band

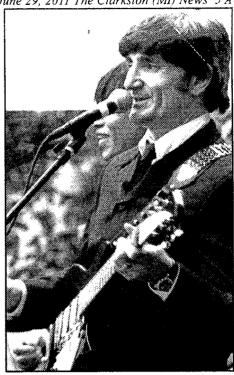
The band played famous hits from the Beatles' live performances in 1963 to their last studio album in 1970.



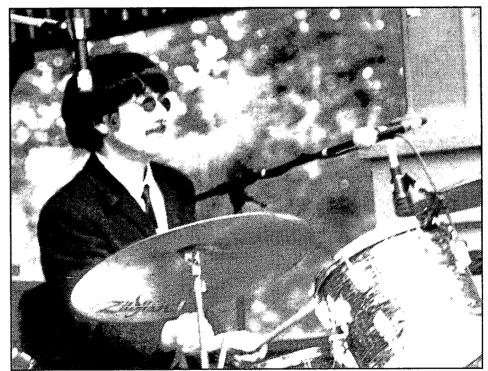
Facepainting artist Laura Pautea paints a tiger face on Bedford Muzzy.



Erin Martin dances with her daughter Avery. Photos by Trevor Keiser



Alex Lumenski as John



Ray Steinburg rocks out on the drums as Ringo.



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Fourth fun

I'm looking forward to the Fourth of July Parade in Clarkston and Independence Township Festival of Fun, especially this year.

The whole thing was on the edge of cancellation due to budget and other reasons. That would have been sad, what with "Independence" in this place's name.

But people have pulled through, as I

have come to expect. My first few months here at *The Clarkston News*, I got a call to help a local family buy Christmas presents for their little girl, and put something about it the paper.



Donations filled the

office, a local businessman volunteered to be Santa – I was very impressed.

That community spirit came through again for the Fourth, with community groups, churches, and volunteers working together to organize and run the parade and festival activities.

I got into it myself. I helped out with planning the Veterans Celebration at the Independence Township Festival of Fun and Fireworks. I'm listed under "public relations" in the program, which is cool.

A Military Museum will be set up in Carriage House, including radio-controlled miniature military planes, photos, uniforms and memorabilia from past wars. My stuff from the First Gulf War will be there along with items from World War II, Cold War, all the stuff local veterans have in their storage bins. None of my uniforms still fit, except maybe the hat and boots.

I'm hoping for some color pages coming up — fireworks would look pretty good in them. Fireworks photos seem pointless in black and white, which is why I haven't attended them in previous years. We publish lots of parade and festival photos instead.

I'll be there this year, though, especially with the new location.

Speaking of spiders (see page 7A), my cat Gypsy, a Springfield Township native, has declared war on my basement spiders

She hates them. One night, she brought five of them upstairs in her mouth for me to kill, one at a time, one after the other.

I'd market her out as an exterminator except she's afraid of strangers and hides when they come around.

Viewpoints

A call to reconsider school rule

Dear Editor,

To the Clarkston Board of Education, please reconsider your recent actions to limit the freedom of speech from the members of the school board to the public.

This action simply serves to impede the flow of information from the members of

this elected body to the very people who elected them to serve us. We depend on our news sources to report the actions, opinions and statements of all those who serve.

We have elected seven individuals who are sworn to provide their best efforts to lead the schools. We should expect and depend that these seven people will have different perspectives, thoughts and opinions on various matters.

We should expect these seven people will not always agree, and that they are strong enough to have intelligent and vigorous debates in a public forum and then arrive at a decision.

I don't want this activity to happen behind closed doors and then to be sanitized

into a single voice so that it appears there is one thought from the entire body.

To pull the curtain closed only serves to heighten concerns that matters are being decided in ways that you want to hide from the

public.

To try and appoint a

Letters to the editor single voice will serve to create an atmosphere of collusion. I don't toss around our Constitution to United States of America lightly.

of collusion. I don't toss around our Constitution to United States of America lightly, but there is a reason the very first amendment protects the freedom of speech and the press.

The action taken by the school board is clearly limiting the intent and spirit of this constitutional amendment.

As residents, parents, tax payers and members of the community we deserve unfiltered and unfettered access to all the information the good, the bad and the ugly. What we don't want is well rehearsed, PR sound bites created for disingenuous public consumption

Tim Smith Independence Township

Thanks for Wild Ones support

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the North Oakland Chapter of the Wild Ones and the Clarkston Retailer's Group we would like to extend a very grateful thank you to two groups that stepped forward when we were told through the State of Michigan Licensing Bureau that our request to receive a license to hold a kayak raffle could not be granted in time for our River Day event.

First the Rotary Club of Clarkston through Joel DeLong wasted no time in getting the proper paperwork to us that allowed us to move forward on this license.

And secondly Sharon Haven, from Rep. Eileen Kowall's office, worked diligently making calls almost daily in monitoring the process and ultimately did get the license approved.

To see this kind of support is a great reminder of what a wonderful community we live in. We look forward to hosting River Day again next year.

Colleen Schmidt, Wild Ones, North Oakland Chapter Peg Roth, Clarkston Retailer's Group

Newspaper help much appreciated

Dear Editor

I want to thank you for your generous donation of your local paper to the Current Events Classes of Clarkston High School. We receive 40 copies a week to supplement our curriculum.

The students enjoy reading about local events and news. For many students, this is

their first exposure to the local paper and I hope a positive one.

In these tough economic times, the Current Events teachers and the district appreciate all you do for us.

Thanks again,

Current Events teachers of CHS, Justin Pintar, Lynn Englehart, Brooke T. Davis

Let your voice be heard

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A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1996

"2 local students are tops in math" Springfield Plains students, Chris Freed and Blake Harlow, recieved perfect scores on the international Mathematical Olmpiads. The two fifth-graders were among only 204 students of the 79,502 who participated and received perfect scores. Each student recieved a trophy and a medal for their hard work.

"Teen is a car wash queen" Marge McNeil, a 1995 Clarkston graduate, was nominated from the Ritters for Professional Carwashing & Detailing Magazine's 1996 Most Valuable Carwasher Award. Her gogetter attitude and the resulting increased sales for the business earned her the nomination.

"Milestones" John Toretta, a 1989 Clarkston High School graduate, and Jennifer Janet announced their engagement.

25 years ago - 1986

"Mercy doctor honored" The residents in internal medicine at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, gave special praise to their instructor, Michael Baker, M.D. Baker won an award for excellence in teaching and recieved an engraved plaque at the hospital's House Staff Graduation ceremony.

"Competitive Craig carries on tennis success at Purdue" Kelly Craig, 1985 CHS student, went from playing tennis in Clarkston to playing for Purdue University in Indiana. Craig earned a 5.0 (of 6.0) grade point average while studying business and playing tennis. She was ranked 119th in the nation and 11th in the Western ranking.

"Accident victim praises town" Marilyn Stanley was injured when going for a bicycle ride with her daughter. When she was injured, every single person in the area stopped to help, said Stanley. "I'm so happy I chose this place to live because everyone was so wonderful to me," she said

50 years ago - 1961

"Ronald Irwin recieves B.A." Mr. and Mrs. Robert Irwin attended their son, Ronald's graduation exercises at Sterling College in Kansas where Ronald received his B.A. degree in physics.

"Local artist has exhibit for Pontiac Centennial" A series of paintings by local artist, Jack Greathouse, was painted expressly for the Pontiac Centennial and displayed in the former Jane Lee shop in Pontiac. The exhibit was reminiscent of horse and buggy days.

Skunks, spiders and reader comments

stream-of-consciousness that I oft refer to as "my" column and some of you call "Don's Drivel," is read by at least five people on a weekly basis. (My mom and three sisters say they "like" it -- so I have that going for me.)

I know there must be other "closet" Don't Rush Me'ers out there cuz every time I print what I think, someone tries to rub my nose in it later, or tries to match wits with

It could be worse, Mom could admit she doesn't like, nor even read my column. A few weeks ago, I announced to the world I had a new mate -- office mate, that is. A pretty, black haired, green-eved lady with eight legs. If you didn't read it (or want to admit to friends and family that you read it), she's a no-named jumping Zebra spider.

Here's what some of you wrote.

I too had an unexpected guest in my bedroom last week; one "phidippus audax," a cousin, apparently, of your spider. I have attached her photo. I live only a couple blocks from The Clarkston News office (been here for 10 years) and I have seen lots of spiders, but none quite as fascinating as Phyllis. (That was her name).

However, I wasn't as hospitable as you, and she had an unfortunate accident in our toilet, but not before I kept her in a

These wandering, meandering bits of tupperwear container for several hours, showed her off to my 13-year-old boys, took a couple pictures, and plastered her photo all over Facebook.

> Once I found out she was harmless, I felt a little bad about her "accident." Diane

> > Biggs

Don't



A column by I should name her Fluffy. Don Rush

Diane also suggested some names for my spider: Harry, Zena (the Zebra Warrior) and Kitty. I will post the picture of the late Phyllis on our website. Rob Schroeder, out Goodrich way, suggested "Boris The Spider," in honor of a song by rock-n-rollers, The Who. Sandy in Oxford said

Still further back in time,

I questioned why there were no skunks this spring. I hadn't seen or smelt any splattered on the roadside, which prompted Leonard resident Dan Stanko to suggest there was a skunk "rapture" event and all skunks went to stinky heaven. . . . well, that has changed. I got this note last week:

"Hey Don! Great news! Has there been a skunk rapture return? I just smelled my first one! Or, maybe, this neck of the woods was part of some neo-Passover? In any event, spring is officially here. Cheers, Ewa"

Since the note, I too, have smelled and seen three dead skunks along Oakwood Road in Ortonville and Brandon Township. So much for the end of the skunk world.

Most recently I opined on the spandex revolution and received these e-mails.

Don, I read your column in The Lake Orion Review. I'm not an avid cyclist, but try to get out occasionally. Your perspective seems very much biased toward cyclists in general being people that have no awareness or concern for others on the road. Based on my experience as both a driver and a cyclist, I would say it's just the opposite. The vast majority of cyclists are very much aware of their vulnerable position and are in no way looking to be "roadblocks."

Drivers, on the other hand, generally seem to see cyclists not as fellow road users, but as annoyances that probably deserve to be taught a lesson by demonstrating just how vulnerable they are.

The majority of cars that have passed me (when I'm riding absolutely as far to the edge of the road as I can) made little or no attempt to grant me any safety margin. I can recall many times noticing car or truck mirrors pass within a foot or two of my shoulder or head.

I use safety paths when I can, but there are many stretches of road where that's simply not possible, and where there is little or no shoulder.

I would say that your perspective is pretty common among drivers and one of the reasons Michigan isn't a very "cyclefriendly" environment. I think if a bit more effort was made to respect cyclists it might encourage people to use less fuel and stay in a bit better shape at the same time. Your column doesn't give me much hope of that coming to pass though. Ted Roberts, Lake Orion

Don. you have it right.

We have spent hundreds/thousands of hard earned tax dollars to build these paths for the walking and peddle pushers to use, but oh no, they will ride however, whenever and wherever they please, even where paths are present and most of the time not being used.

They don't have a license plate bolted to their spandex or bicycle. "I want to be a spandex racer, so I will peddle in all the danger," they say . . . and in the of wink of an eye we find that spandex-clad jerk half way into the car lane . . . Spandex should get his or her ticket punched. Sorry for the long rant on the spandex dummies. Roy

And the beat goes on! What do you think Don@ShermanPublications.org

Offer a thought and watch it expand

We've all had this done to us. We say something about were not as shovel ready as I had hoped for." anything and the listener has a topper. We've all probably had the topper, too.

That's ok, if, as in my case the topper is better.

For some unknown reason this verse came to mind. I recall reciting it to daughter Susan and her friend Laurie, when they were maybe six years old.

"Around the corner and under the tree.

A fair young maiden waited there for me.

She kissed me once, she kissed me twice,

It wasn't a very good thing to do, but boy was it nice." They thought that was really funny. It recently came up in conversation with Kathy, our accountant, and she had to top it. She said it was her father's bedtime rhyme:

"Listen my children and you shall hear,

The midnight ride of Paul Revere.

A pull of the covers,

A slip of the sheet.

A 50-yard dash to the toilet seat."

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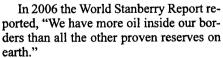
Last week, Vice President Biden really said this about how hard our representatives are working in Washington: "They are working around the clock three days a week.

• About the same time President Obama said, "The projects A/C after a couple minutes.

· "Where oh where has our little dog gone?" Where oh where has our leadership gone?

· Hear about the guy who spilled spot remover on his dog and now he can't find

• One woman's hobby is another woman's hubby.



How can we not be extracting this? Have environmentalists, and others, blocked all efforts to keep America independent of foreign oil? Think OPEC just might be funding the environmentalists?

---0---Drivers who have air conditioning in their cars (that's about all of us) are being warned to not turn on the A/C as soon as you enter your car.

First open the windows when you enter, then turn on the

Here's why: According to research, the car's dashboard, seats, air ducts, (in fact all the plastic objects in your vehicle) emit Benzene, a cancer causing toxin.

Benzene poisons your bones, causes anemia and reduces white blood cells. Prolonged exposure will cause leukemia and increases the risks of some cancer. It can also cause miscarriages in pregnant women.

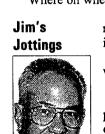
Got the message?

Air out your car. It's not the air conditioning in the car, but the benzene-producing agents that cause cancer.

---0---I'm closing this week's Jottings with some of The Prairie

Home Companion, Garrison Keillor's Old Standards. You'll know it's time to close when you read some. · Why do hummingbirds hum? Because they can't re-

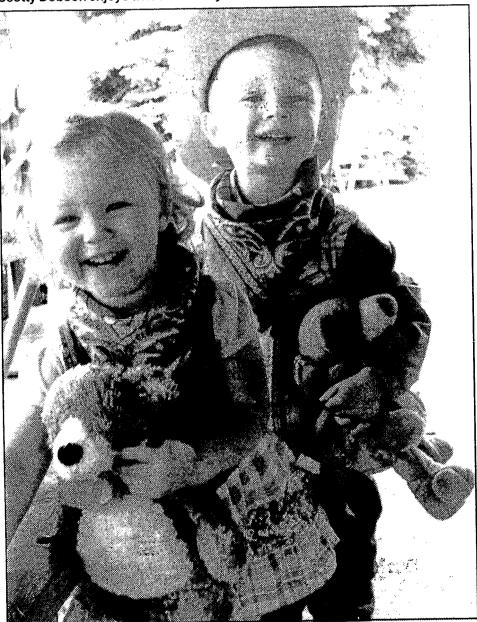
- member the words.
- Did you hear about the two silkworms in a race? They ended up in a tie.
 - My pig learned karate. Now he's a pork chop.
- Did you hear about the two antennas that got married. The wedding was terrible, but the reception was great.
- · One more: Did you hear that in New York the Stop and Shop grocery chain merged with the A & P? Now it's called the Stop & P.



a column by Jim Sherman



Scotty Dobson enjoys a ride on Scully



Riley Jurand and her older brother, Grant, show off their Teddy Bears.



The group gathers for a Teddy Bear hug.

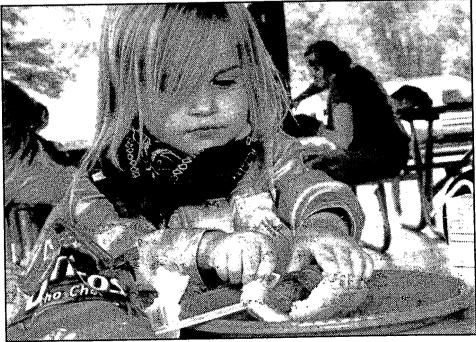
Teddy Bear Picnic

"Wild Wild West" was the theme of this year's Teddy Bear Picnic held at the pavillions at Clintonwood Park on June 24.

Children ages 2-5 enjoyed dressing in western style as they had story time, hot

"Wild Wild West" was the theme of dog lunch, pony rides, a Teddy Bear craft and teddy bear parade.

The event was sponsored by Independence Township Parks and Recreation and put on by Lisa McCoy, recreation specialist of Parks and Rec.



Jolie Plewa cuts into a tasty hot dog. Photos by Trevor Keiser

Overdose

After his girlfriend accused him of being high when he wasn't a 21-year-old Waterford Township resident decided he would get high on June 13. He visited his uncle in Independence Township and asked to use the phone to call his dad and the bathroom. When his uncle checked on him he was unconscious leaning up against the bathroom door with several empty syringes on the floor. The homeowner called 9-1-1. Independence Township Fire Paramedics tried CPR before giving him medication through an I.V. he was conscience and admitted to using one syringe of heroin, the remaining several had broken.

Electronics taken

A deputy patrolling the 7000 block of Deerhill Court discovered an SUV with a broken passenger window parked in a driveway, 4:25 a.m., June 17. He notified the vehicle's owner, who found a laptop and electronic equipment taken, and media player damaged.

Felony arrest

A deputy stopped an SUV for making an illegal turn on red at Ortonville Road and Amy Drive, 3:33 p.m., June 17. The passenger, a 50-year-old Independence Township man, had a felony warrant out of Lapeer County and was turned over to Lapeer Police. The driver, a 49-year-old Lake man, was given a warning for running the red light.

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

Scrap thieves

A Springfield Township deputy patrolling Rattalee Lake and Giroux saw a pickup truck with an unsafe load on the roadway and stopped it, 1:21 a.m., June 13. After receiving different stories from occupants where the load was from and what they were doing, two eventually told the deputy the scrap in the truck was stolen from a gravel yard in Oxford Township. Oxford deputies verified the items were taken from the site. The suspects, a 25-year-old Holly man, 20-year-old White Lake woman, and 24-year-old Holly man, were arrested and jailed pending charges.

Lack of interest

A deputy ran a license plate of a vehicle at Dixie Highway and Ortonville Road, 4:30 p.m., June 17, and found it didn't match the vehicle. The driver, a 37-year-old Burton man, said he just bought the vehicle. A records check showed he had a Friend of the Court warrant out of Genesee County. No one responded to four messages to have him picked up, so he was released with citations for improper plates and no proof of insurance. The vehicle was impounded.

Wrong plate

A deputy on patrol pulled over a car due to extremely loud music, 7:18 p.m., June 17, at Dixie Highway and Parview Drive. The car had the wrong license plate. The driver, a 25-year-old Clarkston man, said he bought it a couple weeks ago and the seller didn't want the plate, so he kept it on the car. He didn't get the car registered, either. He was cited for improper plate and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Smash and grabs

An SUV's front passenger window was smashed and stereo equipment taken in the 5000 block of Upland Drive, June 18.

Someone smashed the driver's window of a vehicle parked in the street in the 9000 block of Klais Court, June 19, taking more than \$1,000 in designer sunglasses, professional knife set, and other property.

Unlocked car

Someone took loose change from an unlocked car parked in a parking lot of a business in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway, June 21.

Fast and suspended

A deputy watched an Astrovan make a turn, tires squealing, at Sashabaw and Stickney roads and stopped it, 4:36 p.m., June 19. The driver, a 29-year-old Brandon man, had a license suspended due to drunk driving. He was cited for driving with a suspended license.

Saws taken

Two cement saws were taken from a backyard in the 4000 block of Parview Drive, June 20.

Wrong number

An Independence Township resident received a suspicious phone message, 6:40 a.m., June 18, in which a woman said someone was tied up in a garage off Dixie Highway. The resident called police, who tracked down the caller to a house in Waterford Township. Heading out there, deputies spoke to a resident, a 28-year-old Waterford Township woman. She said her grandmother, who lived in the house, had a mental disability and frequently called 911. Waterford Police said she would be cited if she kept doing that, so she started calling people randomly instead. The 28-year-old had a misdemeanor warrant out of Waterford - Waterford Police came to pick her up. The Dixie Highway garage was checked and found to be secure.

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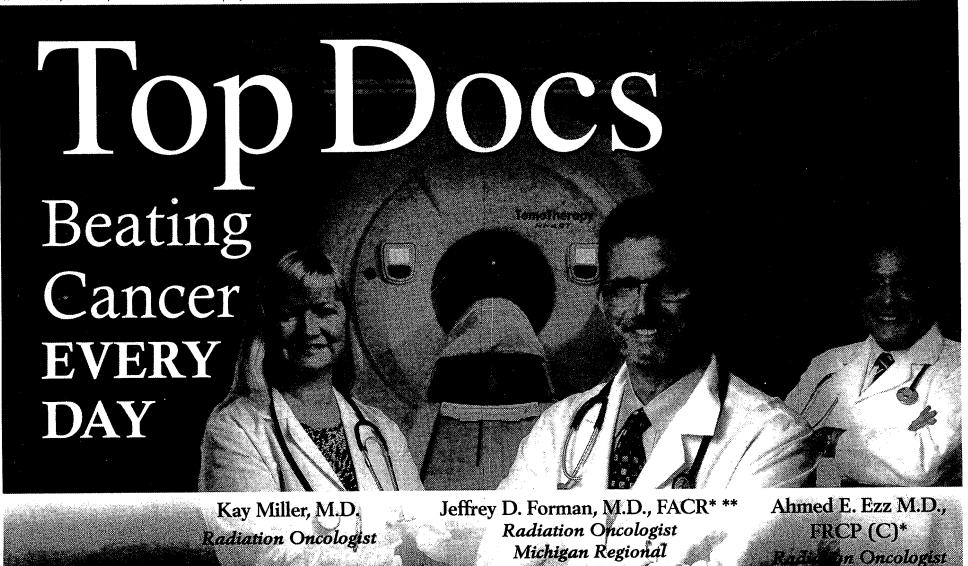
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Pat Saunders & the Clarkston All-Stars Band at 6:30pm

Radio Disney AM 910 D-Tour at 8pm (Music, Games and Prize opportunities for the Whole Family)

K-9 Toss & Fetch Competition (1pm)Come on out with your dog to the Park this day and try them out in a Frisbee competition. There are junior, novice and professional competitions. Lots of cool prizes will be awarded! Registration starts at Noon.

Children's Activities/Inflatables (11am-9:30pm)

Don't forget to **bring socks** for the inflatables. They will be available to purchase onsite for \$1/pair if you forget!

Castle Moonwalk, Safari Obstacle Course, Crawl Thru, T-Ball Game, Water Silde, Crazy Caterpillar, Mechanical Bull, Climbing Tower, Turbo Trikes (until 9pm) Castle Moonwalk, Safari Obstacle Course, Crawl Thru, T-Ball Game, Water Slide, Crezy Caterpillar, Mechanical Bull, Climbing Tower, Turbo Trikes (until 9pm)
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Chest Protectors (Susan G Koman Cancer Team) will have cookie decorating. (11am-6pm)

Clarkston Co-Op PreSchool will be having crafts and story time. Stories are read at Noon, 2pm & 4pm. (11am-6pm)

Michigan Youth Flag Football will having fun with flag football & a football toss game. (11am-3pm) Vision Builders will have balloons and other games made out of recycled materials. (1pm-Dusk)

Vendors (11am-Dusk) Food Vendors-Enjoy carnival favorites, served throughout the day.

Modern Ink Body Art will be on site for temporary tattoos or a complete work of art on your face.

Softball Tournament-Men's Slow Pitch Class "C" (8am)

Spraypark (10am-7pm)

\$2 per person

Senior Center (10am-7pm)
Stop by for a visit! Food will be available for purchase!







Scott Cousino

Eagle scout

Scott Cousino of Troop 189 recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Boy Scouts.

Cousino's Eagle Project was to construct seven cement tee boxes for Holly Recreation Area Disc Golf Course. About 4,500 players use the course each summer. Cousino led a crew of 32 volunteers to move and pour 16,000 pounds of concrete. They spend 274 hours planning and completing the project over four days.

Cousino served as Troop 189 patrol leader, assistant senior patrol leader and junior assistant scout master. He is also a member of the Order of the Arrow. Last summer he and 15 other troop members hiked 90 miles at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.

He is an honor roll student at Clarkston High School, where he plays soccer, basketball, and track. His dad, Gary, and older brother, Brent, are also Eagle Scouts.

He would also like to thank his mom, Lisa, and sister, Kelly, for all their support on his course to Eagle.



'Indigo' author learns from life

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston author Susan Topping tells the story of spiritual enlightenment through her son, in her book "Indigo Wisdom."

"In the current climate of upheaval and insecurity, my story should offer hope with the evidence that learning to just go with

God's plan is a lot more productive than fighting what we cannot control," said Topping.

The book's title refers to her son, Gibson, one of a generation of "Indigo children" who grew up in the 1970s with health problems but also with spiritual and psychological gifts.



Toppin

"I felt it was important to address the challenges to working within

to address the challenges to working within the traditional medical system when raising a sick child," said Susan. "Our story might help others to learn to trust their own judgment."

In her new book, she writes about her despair as a mother and the inner guidance she found that led her on an unconventional journey with the help of alternative medicine in Europe.

As Gibson grew up, he had to overcome a series of health issues conventional medi-

cine could not treat. Susan sought alternative medicine in Europe, at the same time opening herself up to new spiritual possibilities.

"I started to recognize that there is more to this than me," she said. "All of a sudden, the universe is bigger. Life is bigger than just Sue Topping. It helps get you through the difficult times, to know you're not alone, that there's help."

The book is helping a lot of people in a lot of different ways, she said.

"Parents who also have sick children read it and say they can relate to the pain and anguish of raising a special needs child, fighting the system," she said. "People raised as special needs relate to my son. Some who have given up on church feel need to go back. It's amazing."

Susan has a bachelor's degree in business, working in a variety of management positions before eventually pursuing a career in energy healing.

A graduate of the EnergyTouch School of Advanced Healing in Grand Rapids, Topping is a certified practitioner as well as a Reiki Master and owner of Wisdom Modalities, an energy healing practice.

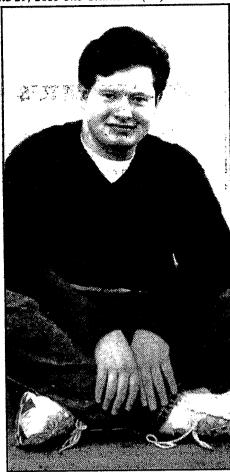
She and Don, her husband of 38 years, have three grown children. This is her first book. For a follow-up, she wants to write a



book about her experiences with spiritual healing.

"I've seen miracles, it's humbling," she said.

For more information, visit http://



Susan wrote about her son, Gibson Topping, now an adult.

Native Garden Tour at Indian Springs

Wild Ones, North Oakland Chapter, hosts a Native Garden Tour at Indian Springs Metropark, 5175 Indian Trail, White Lake,

9 a.m.-12 p.m., July 23.

Featured tour leader is Judy Graham, master gardener, master composter, ecological

gardener, and Michigan conservation steward. Participants meet at the Indian Springs Office, formerly Nature Center.

Topics include:

- Benefits of native plants and flowers
- Native garden how-to-guidelines
- Native concepts
- Native garden maintenance principles

Tour is free, but park entrance fees apply. Register by July 20 with North Oakland Chapter President Jim Brueck at 248-625-7597, mdbrueck@gmail.com, or Mary Pellerito at mary.pellerito@gmail.com.

Wild Ones promotes environmentally sound landscaping practices to preserve biodiversity through the preservation, restoration and establishment of native plant communities. Wild Ones is a not-for-profit environmental education and advocacy organization.

For more information, check www.for-wild.org/chapters/northoakland.







Masons Cedar 60 Senior Warden Tom Anderson, at left, Chaplain Ken Willson, in middle, and Grand Lecturer Tom Braun, at right, present new bikes to Andersonville Elementary students, from left, Isabel Holloway, Olivia Makinney, Rian Bannick, and Aaron Marsala. Receiving \$20 gift cards were, in back from left, Kayla Luchenbach, Hailee Maynard, Meagan Ruggirello, Julia Ruggirello, Megan Lockwood, Julia Sentgerath, and Juana Ojendis. *Photos by Phil Custodio*



At left, Shannon Flumerfelt, owner of Character Works, Publishing Consulting Media, and Linda Malatesta, at right, present \$50 checks and certificates to Andersonville student authors, from left, Ashleigh Orlowski, for her story "Mustachio's Trip to Fog River"; Samantha Snow Lowney, "The Talking Mashed Potatoes"; Isabel Holloway, "Acorns R Us"; and Chase Allen Landis, "The Story of Mark and Frank."

Prizes for writers

Andersonville Elementary celebrated reading and writing with awards and prizes at its last school meeting of the year, time 8

Clarkston Masons, Cedar 60, were on hand to present new bicycles to students in their Bikes for Books program.

"Everyone who participated got something," said Grand Lecturer Tom Braun. "The writing was really interesting."

Shannon Flumerfelt and Linda Malatesta of Character Works, Publishing Consulting Media, also presented \$50 checks and certificates to winners in its writing competition.

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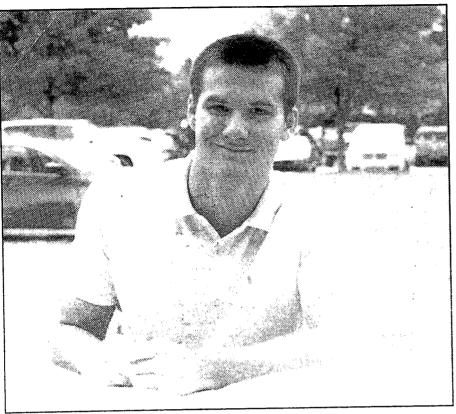
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Matt Vandermeer signs his letter of intent to Lake Erie College. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Evolving into a storm

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

For family and friends attending his graduation open house on Saturday, Matt Vandermeer gave them a special treat - he signed his letter of intent to Lake Erie Col-

The Clarkston High School 2011 graduate will join the NCAA Division II Storm Wrestling team in the fall.

"I really liked the campus down there," said Vandermeer after visiting the college in Painesville, Ohio. "They are a small school focused on education. It is exactly what I needed."

"We are really happy with the program down there," said dad, Pete. "It is brand new but they have recruited a lot of good kids out of Ohio and Pennsylvania."

Matt is the only wrestler from Michigan and one of their highest ranked wrestlers after finishing his last season for the Wolves as state champion in the 171-pound weight

Matt said he was all set on going to Olivet College and was going to sign before Lake Erie College called him.

"A good family friend who I have been wrestling with a long time called Lake Erie and told them I wasn't recruited yet," said Matt. "They needed a 174-pounder."

He decided to take a look and it turned out to be the college for him.

"There were a lot of teams that wanted

him," said Pete. "Lake Erie actually said we want you and this is what we can do for you. We are overjoyed."

Pete expressed how happy he was with the college, especially after President Michael T. Victor took the time to meet Matt, Pete and his mom, Carol.

Matt will wrestle for Head Coach Kevin Hoogenboom in the Great Lake Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

He is projected to wrestle in the 174pound and 184-pound weight classes, depending on what the team needs.

Matt began wrestling when he was five-years-old.

"He has had some good years," said Pete. "He has had some bad years. Each a learning year."

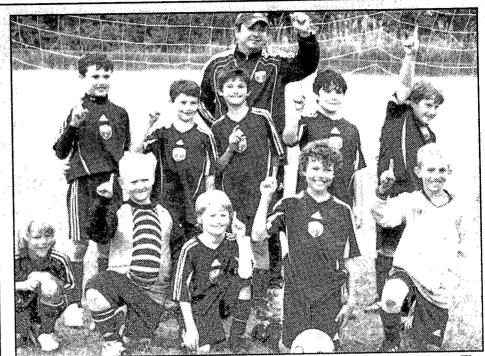
He finished his senior year taking second place at the Oakland County Wrestling Meet and the Tournament of Champs. He finished as MHSAA District Champion, MHSAA Regional Champion and MHSAA State Champion.

He ended his high school record career with a 170-32 record.

His advice to aspiring athletes is to keep wrestling.

"Keep working hard," Matt added. He will focus on studying business at Lake Erie College.

"He is moving right up the ladder and it is real positive for him that Lake Erie wanted him," said Pete.



Michigan Impact U9 team celebrates finishing the season as champions. The team includes: bottom row; from left, Jacob Murray, Logan Rajala, Lochlan Gray, Zachary Senko, Connor Sprague; top row, Brendan Zwiernik, Julian Lee, Marco Charbonneau, Ricky Beltran, Vaughn Carraher and Coach Damian Huffer. Photo provided

Athletes of the Week

Making an impact

Kickers from the Michigan Impact U9 finished their spring season in smiles.

They secured the Michigan Youth Soccer League Division title after an undefeated season and taking the division crown from PSG Nova North on June 12, 3-0.

They opened the season with their first tie against CW3 Extreme White on April 17, 1-1. Then, scored a 3-1 win against Romeo on April 29. They finished the season 7-0-3.

Michigan Impact tied three of their games but when they put their skills together they broke ties and sent their opponents home

The boys did very well for their first season playing together as a travel team," said Brad Senko. "Most came from playing recreational soccer and decided they wanted to move up to the next level. It was an adjustment for them early on as they learned new

Soccer Club, a regional travel soccer club based in Clarkston. They play in the Michigan Youth Soccer League in the northern Detroit Metro area as well as in the Michigan Premier Soccer League against teams around

As members of the Michigan Impact Soccer Club they learn fundamental skills they can take with them to the next competition

The Michigan Impact U9 team plays again in the fall for their next outdoor season and are gearing to move up to the 10 and under division. They also play in two indoor sessions in November and December and in February and March

They incorporated their individual talents, learned leadership and life skills by working together and growing as a team, said Senko. "The boys are looking forward to playing and growing together again this The team is part of the Michigan Impact year as they move up to the U-10 division."



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Dare to have fun

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Cagers at the Dare to Dream Clinic took a breather on Thursday morning during their last game of the week and shared their enthusiasm from the week.

"They taught us a lot," said Kate Gualtieri.
"It's really active," Lillian Schuster added.
"I like the coaches and I met new friends. I can't believe it's the last day."

Seventy-four girls from grades 3-9 participated in this summer's clinic each bringing different experiences, even if it was their first time playing basketball.

"It's nice to see from Monday to Thursday the difference in how much they have improved with what they have learned," said Tim Wasilk, Clarkston High School Girls Varsity Basketball Coach. "It's a good experience for all. We do fundamental work with

different stations and different drills."

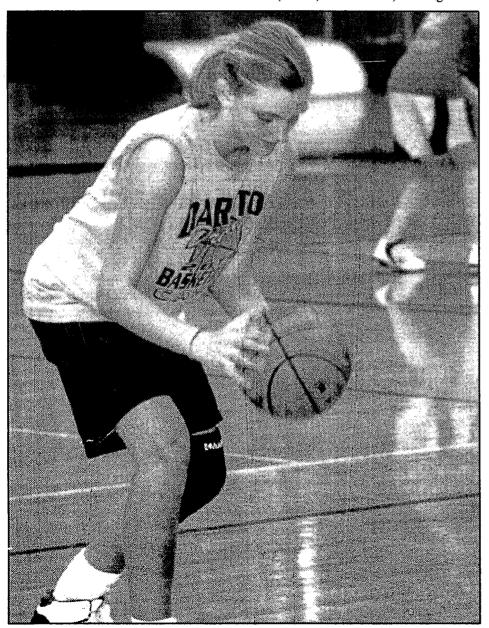
The fundamentals included ball-handling, passing, footwork, shooting, rebounding and defense.

"It was very interesting, tiring and fun," said Helen Josephson for her second time at the clinic. "The coaches are very nice."

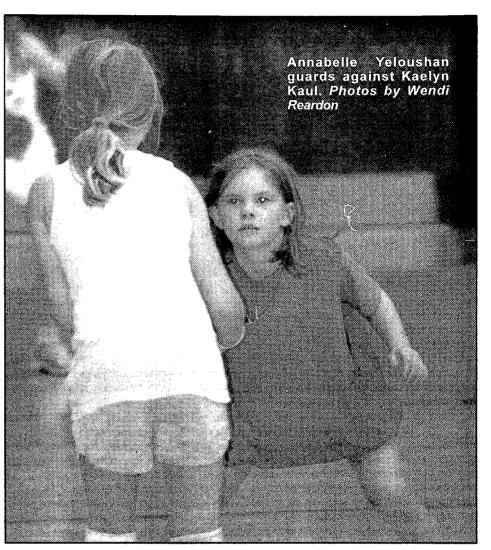
The girls also competed in four different competitions throughout the week. The winners from Monday through Wednesday competed one more time for the championship title and the trophy.

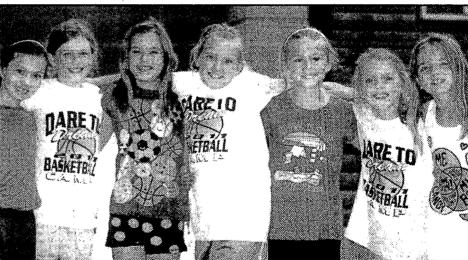
Champions from the Hot Shot tournament were Jaclyn Marra, Kayla Lunchenbach, and Hannah Siegfried.

Champions from the free-throw knockout were Brooklyn Robak, Rachel Eckhout, and Anne Gregor; lightning, Marra, Meghan Deardorff and Siegfried; one-on-one competition, Marra, Lunchenbach, and Siegfried.

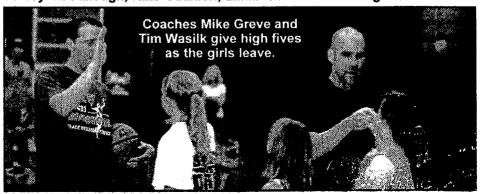


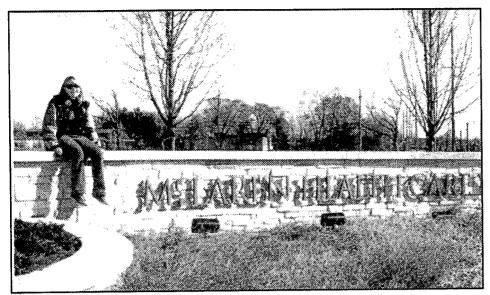
Kayla Lunchenbach prepares to shoot in the hot shot contest.





Dare to Dream friends, from left, Mackenzie Ming, Kaelyn Kaul, Audree Kuhn, Jersey McCullough, Kate Gualtieri, Lillian Schuster and Meg Waechter.





Lindsay Myers, at McLaren Health Care Center.

Marching band thanks

Dear McLaren Health Care Center,

Thank you so much for helping me out with my trip to London with the Clarkston High School Marching Band. It was the coolest trip I have ever been on. My favorite part was, or course, marching in their New Year's Day Parade. It was really fun marching throughout historic London with crowds of people watching as we marched by.

One of my favorite day trips was to Stonehenge. Now that was one of the most amazing things I have ever seen. We also went to St. Paul's Cathedral to look around. The dome has many staircases to let people explore the three levels. One goes up in the dome on the inside, the next one goes outside to see the whole city and the last one is at the very top. Because of time constraints and very narrow staircases at the top, we

made it to the second level. What an incredible view of the city.

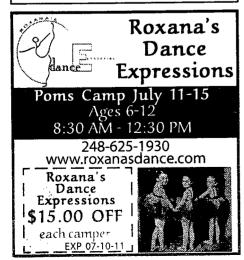
We also had the opportunity to visit Abbey Road where I got a picture of myself walking across it like the Beatles did long ago. I love the Beatles so that just made my day.

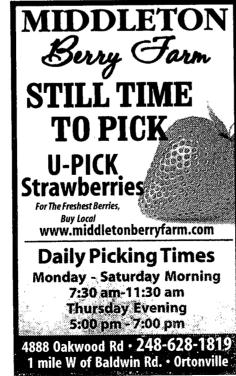
It was very interesting while walking around the city. People would say, "I like your accent" to me and then I would say, "thanks, I like yours, too." We felt very welcome. Most of the people we ran across knew we were there for their New Year's Day Parade and appreciated us being there. So again, thank you so much for helping me out. I had so much fun. Thanks!

Lindsay Myers

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Understanding diabetes and its risks

Q. What causes diabetes?

A. When we eat food, our bodies naturally break down all sugars and starches into a chemical called glucose. With the help of a hormone called insulin, that glucose is then transported from the bloodstream to the body's cells, where it is used as energy.

Diabetes occurs when too much glucose remains in the bloodstream due to the body's inability to produce insulin or to utilize it properly. If left untreated, diabetes can produce serious complications, including:

- Heart disease
- Stroke
- · Kidney disease
- · Nerve damage
- · Eye damage, including blindness
- Digestive problems
- Erectile dysfunction
- Skin problems
- Infection
- Dental problems

Q. I've heard of several types of diabetes. How are they different?

A. Essentially, there are three different types of diabetes. Type 1 diabetes, previously known as juvenile diabetes, is typically diagnosed in children and young adults. With Type 1 diabetes, the body fails to produce insulin; however, with the help of insulin therapy, even young children can manage their conditions and live long and healthy lives.

Type 2 diabetes is the most common form. Millions of Americans have been diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes, and millions more are unaware they are at risk. In addition to the elderly, groups at high risk include African-Americans, Latinos, Native Americans, and Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders

The third type, gestational diabetes, occurs during pregnancy usually around 28 weeks or later. If a woman is diagnosed with gestational diabetes, it does not mean that she had diabetes before pregnancy or that she will have diabetes after delivery.

Q. Could I have diabetes and not realize it? What are the symptoms?

A. Yes, it's possible to have diabetes and not know it. In fact, according to the American Diabetes Association, 5.7 million Americans have undiagnosed diabetes. Because many of the disease's symptoms seem harmless, the staggering number of undiagnosed cases is understandable.

Diabetes has several symptoms. The symptoms for Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes are:

- · Frequent urination
- · Unusual thirst
- Extreme hunger
- · Unusual weight loss
- Extreme fatigue and irritability
- Frequent infection (Type 2 only)
- Blurred vision (Type 2 only)
- Slow healing cuts and bruises (Type 2 only)
- Tingling and numbness in hands or feet (Type 2 only)
- Recurring skin, gum or bladder infections (Type 2 only)

If you have one or more of these symptoms, you should make an appointment with a doctor qualified to treat diabetes right away.



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Superintendent has some hits, misses this year

As the school year wraps up for Clarkston Community Schools it provides the community an opportunity to look in the rearview mirror to assess the performance of our new superintendent and our school board.

Regarding the superintendent, there are both positive and negative points to make concerning his performance and, while I don't have all the facts, there are some observations that can be made.

On the positive side the superintendent has been a vocal advocate for students and

As superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools and as president of Learning Forward Michigan, he has taken the opportunities these offices provide to heighten public awareness regarding the importance of K-12 education and the need for appropriate funding levels.

He has worked to encourage parents and members of the community to become engaged in the effort to ensure adequate funding. For this and for the many other day-today activities in which he participates on behalf of Clarkston Community Schools he is to be commended.

On the negative side, the superintendent has been unable to gain control of spending by staff members who use district credit cards.

From Sept. 2010 through April 2011, those charges totaled over \$182,000. How many instructional aide hours at \$15.36 per hour could have been preserved by reductions in the expenditures noted above?

In response to the State of Michigan's

Guest viewpoint



Lawrence Matta

decision to raise the passing scores of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), the superintendent's reaction was to call into question the efficacy of the test.

If the superintendent believes the test is not effective, he should work with the appropriate agencies to change or replace it.

In the meantime, the state's decision to raise the

passing scores should be looked upon as both a challenge and an opportunity to reassess school programs and methodologies to determine if there are alternatives that will improve student learning.

The superintendent's first response to the governor's proposed K-12 reductions was to equate the budget cuts to losses of 155 teaching staff.

As an advocate for both students and teachers it seems that teaching staff reductions would be a last resort, after examining all other possibilities.

Lastly, the superintendent made the point that he works for the school board not the governor.

More accurately the superintendent works for the community; the school board is the group elected by the community to be good stewards of the district on behalf of the community and to direct the superintendent's daily activities.

With respect to the board, their disagreements are not serving the district well and have caused a split on many issues; in most cases the opposing parties are the same.

This has resulted in some motions being approved that clearly show a lack of judgment on the part of those voting with the majority.

Over the past several months, for example, the board very narrowly defined the responsibilities of its finance committee at a time when the committee should be actively and fully involved in district business because of a deteriorating financial situation and the presence of a new superintendent.

It voted to approve union contracts without reviewing their final form; and approved opening Project Lead the Way to students from other districts when the program itself had not been approved for the district.

It adopted procedures that, among other things, limit media access to district information by funneling all requests and responses through either the board president or the superintendent; adopted a requirement that pendence Township

each board member will "hold confidential all matters that, if disclosed, may have a negative impact on the district."

What is it some members of the board do not want the community who elected them to know?

The superintendent remains on the learning curve but time is short. A lack of financial resources, if not already doing so, will eventually take its toll on the quality of education our students receive.

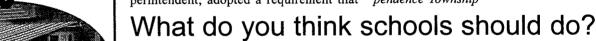
It is critical to evaluate each program particularly those that are narrowly focused and benefit relatively few, control each dollar - especially any expenditures not contributing directly to classroom excellence, and continue to advocate for students and teachers in both words and action.

It is precisely at times like these that the district needs all board members and staff to be engaged, exercising good judgment, mindful of good practices, responsive to parents and the community and relentless in ensuring that scarce resources are spent wisely and to the benefit of students in the class-

The need is urgent and becoming more so each day.

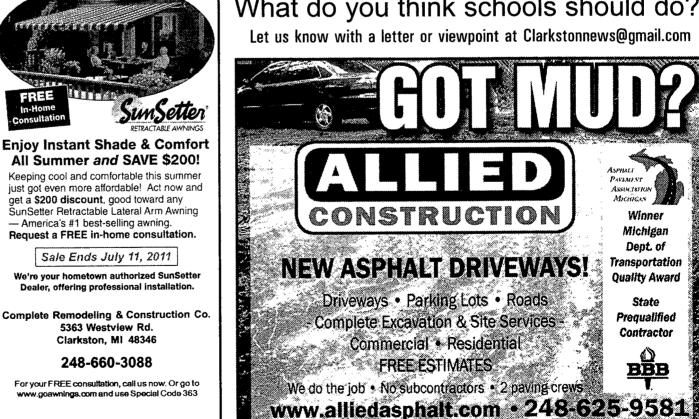
Some members of the board have not yet reached this conclusion and choose to continue making ill-advised decisions and remaining at arms length from those whose activities they were elected to lead.

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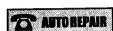
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– Kim Skellenger, with Emma



"Celebrating with family and friends."

-Melissa Miracle, with Sofia



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History roars to life with restorer's help

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

When the Clarkston Fourth of July Parade marches down Main Street, Monday, Terry and Muriel Shelswell of Independence Township, and their sons Michael and Ben, will be there in Terry's collection of historic military vehicles.

"I'm honored to be there - it'll be great," said Terry, who has been collecting military trucks since 1988, when he bought a 1952 Dodge M37CDN cargo and troop transport truck.

He will also display the M37 and his 1952 Willys M38A1 quarter-ton Jeep, along with trailers and other items, at the Independence Township Festival of Fun at Clintonwood Park. Military displays will be set up in and around Carriage House in the park.

He bought his first vehicle in 1988 in Ontario. Canada, which is where he and Muriel are from.

"I was doing a lot of off road driving and wanted something a little stronger," he said. "Then I was bit by the green bug."

He bought the Jeep in 1997 in Clarkston, a few years after he and the family moved here. Both vehicles required restoration, more for

the Jeep

"I had to take it right down to the frame," he said. "I took every single piece off, sandblasted, repaired, repainted them, and put back it all back

together."

He used his experience fixing farm tractors growing up and in his job as a mechanical engineer - he's director of Mobile Business Processes for Inergy Automatic Systems - to figure it out, as well as trial and error.

He bought a 1951 trailer for the Jeep two years ago, as well as a 1950's GMC deuce-and-a-half truck, a 6x6 utility transport.

"The trailer's in really quite nice shape," he said. "It's correct for the vehicle. It just needs some light sanding and paint to match the Jeep."

He's started restoration work on the deuceand-a-half, a rare, gas-powered truck with an auto-Please see Restored on page 3B



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Clarkston Famers' Market, 8 a.m.-12 p.m., July 2, Depot Park. 248-821-4769. Springfield Farmers' Market, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., July 3, Shiawassee Basin Preserve. 248-846-6558.

Clarkston Garden Walk, 12-7 p.m., July 13. Features six lovely gardens in and around Clarkston plus Artist Market. Buy advance tickets, \$15. Same-day tickets, \$18, at Independence Township Library. 248-620-2984.

Oakland County Fair, 9 a.m.-11 p.m., July 12-16; 9 a.m.-9 p.m., July 17, Springfield Oaks County Park, 12451 Andersonville Road in Davisburg. Exotic petting zoo, racing pigs, miracle of birth barn, circus, carnival, arena events. \$10/vehicle, \$4/walk in. 248-634-8830.

Weekly meetings

Sunday

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.

Acalendar of places to go, people to see and things to do

Monday

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

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

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

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Clarkston Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road. \$10. 248-880-0027.

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, 5:45 p.m., Mondays, Wednesdays. Beginning, intermediate asanas (postures). Bring practice mat or towel. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-310-7878.

Job Ministry presentation for unemployed

or to hone employability skills, third Monday, 7:30 p.m., St. Daniel's Cushing Center, 7010 Valley Park Drive. 248-625-4580.

Exercise program for all ages, joint mobility, coordination, strength, Mondays, 12 p.m., lower level, 7590 Dixie Highway. \$7/ session, \$25/four sessions. 248-627-7445.

Outdoor Pickleball, summer, 50+, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Clintonwood Park Tennis Courts, 6000 Clarkston Road. Equipment provided. \$2 drop in. 248-625-8231.

Afternoon Line Dancing, Mondays, Wednesdays, 1-4 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Country, Spanish Salsa, Rock and Roll, Cha Cha rhythms. Rosemary Hall, Instructor. \$3.

Tuesday

Tai Chi with Tammy Cropp, 10 a.m, Thursdays. Dr Paul Lam's Sun Style for Health. Experience healing, stress reduction, balance, and increased flexibility. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-420-6119.

Gentle Yoga with Rev. Matthew, Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Bring practice mat or towel. Freewill offerings. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 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.

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.

Indoor Pickleball, Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road. Equipment provided. \$4 drop in. 248-625-8231.

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

Got Beads, share love of beads and beading. second, fourth Tuesday, 7-8:30 p.m.,

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Restored trucks let folks see, hear, smell history

Continued from page 1B matic transmission.

"I'm looking at a couple more, but I need more space," Terry said.

He's looking to buy a wrecker, which would be practical as well as historic.

"It would help with lifts," he said.

He participates in convoys and other events with Arsenal of Democracy Motor Pool and Ohio Motor Pool, both affiliates of Military Vehicle Preservation Association.

In 2009, they took part in a convoy from Washington D.C. to San Francisco, reenacting a 1919 convoy marking the end of World War I.

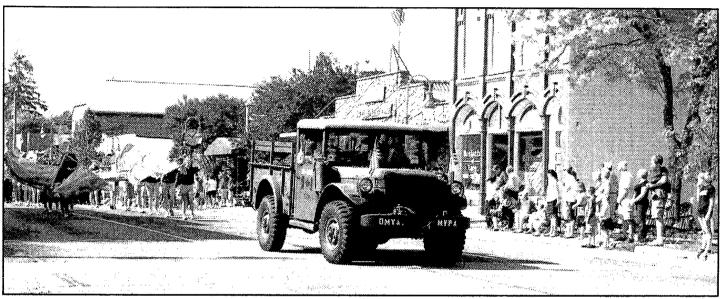
"It was like a 26-day-long Fourth of July parade - every little town was lined up, waiting for us," Terry said. "It was humbling."

"The veterans would salute us - it was such an honor," Muriel said.

Next year, they will join in a convoy from British Columbia to Alaska. The month-long trip commemorates the 70th anniversary of the Alaska Highway, which linked Canada and the lower 48 states to Alaska during World

"They built it in a few short months," Terry said. "It was an awesome activity."

They also participate in local events such as downtown parades and Tons of Trucks.



Terry Shelswell drives one of his trucks in the 2011 Memorial Day Parade in Clarkston. File photo

"We do it, number one, to honor our veterans and the folks in service today," Terry said. "Also, present vehicles to the public so they can learn how they work. To see them in operation, hear the engines, smell the canvas adds depth to the experience."

"It's real history," Muriel said.

"At Motor Muster (in Detroit), an older

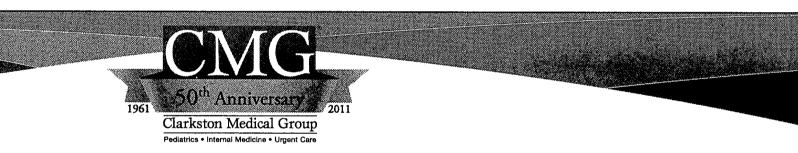
gentleman said it was the first time he sat in one of these (the Jeep) in years and years, and started to tear up," Terry said. "I'm proud to do this."

Their sons are both graduates of Clarkston High School, Michael is also a decorated combat veteran, medically retired as a sergeant.

Serving with the U.S. Army Fourth Infan-

try Division in Iraq, his Bradley infantry fighting vehicle was hit by an RPG. He pulled the seriously wounded driver out of the burning vehicle, saving his life. He was awarded a Bronze Star with V-Device for Valor as well as a Purple Heart.

"We're very proud of him, of both our sons." Muriel said.



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12:00 pm - Highland Dancers (both days)

12:40 pm - Raggle Taggle Band (both days)

1:30 pm - Michigan Scottish Pipe Band (both days)

2:00 pm - Alma College Pipe Band and solo pipe competition (Sat. 2nd)

2:00 pm - Irish Step Dancers by Tir Na N' og (Sun. 3rd

3:00 pm - Highland Dancers from Lakes Area School of Highland Dance (3:40pm Sun.3rd)

3:40 pm - Rangle Tangle Band (3:00pm Sun,3rd) 4:30 pm - Michigan Scottish walks through park & ends up on stage, joined by Akna Pipe Band and Franklin for Amazing Grace, followed by final walk off (both days)

5:10 pm - Piping & Athletic Award Ceremony, along with final announcements by Franklin with final annound (5:00 pm Sun.3rd)

5:30 pm - Live Bands (Sat. 2nd)

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Keegan Sulecki hands Kayla Holmes her award. Photo submitted

Students achieve success

Teens in grades 6-12 submitted 113 pieces of art in the Third Annual "Imagine That!" Teen Art Show.

Winners in each category include:

• Three Dimensional: first place, Rebecca Thompson; second place, Alysha Tabije; third place, Claire Schleusener.

• People & Portraits: first place, Caitlin Stilwell; second place, Mackenzie Proper; third place, Kaylie Gram.

Nature, Still Life, & Other: first place, Dallas Smith: second place, Allison Garland: third place, Catie Boskee.

• Design & Studies: first place, Jason Getty; second place, Jordan Stokes; third place, Kelsey Carstens.

• Digital Design & Photography: first place, Kayla Holmes; second place, Lauren Davis; third place, Amy Wozniak.

Members of the community cast 302 votes on the artwork in five categories.

Third-place winners received \$20 gift cards to Borders, donated by Friends of the Independence Township Library, a free burrito and drink donated by Rio Wraps, and a \$5 gift card from Target.

Second -place winners received \$30 Borders gift cards, free game of bowling courtesy of Cherry Hill Lanes North, and free pita or salad donated by Pita Way.

First-place winners received \$50 Borders gift cards, a bowling game, and \$5 gift cards donated by Gregg's Gourmet Café.

Two participants with the most votes also received \$5 gift cards to Cherry Hill Lanes

Ryan Welch of Clarkston recently graduated from Minnesota State College Southeast Technical with an Electric Guitar Building certificate and Guitar Repair and Building diploma.

Clarkston students named to the Dean's Honor Roll for Spring 2011 at Lawrence Technological University include Alan Killewald.

> majoring in Civil Engineering; and Alec Sanger, majoring in Computer Science

> > Gidget Garten, Jeffrey

Patterson, and Joseph

Weger graduated from

Clarkston High School, re-

ceiving their diplomas at



Garten



DTE Energy Music Auditorium, June 6. Patterson graduated Magna Cum Laude.

They were inadvertently omitted from the CHS Graduation special section, June 15.

Patterson



Weger

Brittany Lynn Rodgers of Clarkston was named to the Miami University President's List with a perfect 4.0 GPA for second semester 2011.

Colin Dabrowski of Clarkston graduated with a

Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture and Life Sciences with the Class of 2011 at Cornell University.

Audrie Bedenis of Clarkston was named to the Rochester College Dean's List with a 3.48 GPA. A 2010 graduate of Clarkston High School, she is a freshman on scholarship in the Rochester nursing program, and plays on the women's golf team.

Send your milestones to Clarkstonnews@gmail.com

ReligionGoing above and beyond call of duty

do? If you have, then you're in the same boat as the servant in a parable found in the Bible.

The servant had been hard at work all day long plowing in the fields. When he came into the house, instead of receiving accolades, he received orders to start serving dinner. As if that weren't enough he was supposed to do so humbly, in a spirit of self-forgetfulness.

If this seems to be a hard teaching, we should remember that Jesus provides such parables so that we may learn the way to spiritual maturity. So what lesson can we learn from this?

When we follow the path of service to our neighbor, we should strive to be motivated by a pure love that is concerned about others' welfare. That sounds very idealistic because it is. However, idealistic doesn't always mean unrealistic.

The truth is that living selflessly is the key that opens us up to exceptional achievements. We bear within ourselves a call to greatness and this greatness is uncovered the more we strive to serve others. An example will help.

A little over a month ago the Navy SEALs made the headlines again. Their training is recognized as the hardest in the world. What type of individual makes it through SEAL training? The one with the biggest biceps? The best athlete? The ones with the most natural talent?

Not so, says Lt. Cmdr. Eric Greitens, a Navy SEAL himself.

He says: "Almost all the men who survived possessed

Have you ever felt like nobody appreciates the work you one common quality. Even in great pain, faced with the test of their lives, they had the ability to step outside of their own pain, put aside their own fear and ask: How can I help the guy next to me? They had a heart large enough to think about others, to dedicate themselves to a higher purpose."

When we serve, we build up all those around us and in the process discover that we are capable of

Spiritual much more than we can imagine. **Matters**



Paierski

When we are humble servants we come to realize that it is better to give than to receive. We get a taste of what true greatness is all about.

There is one person who shows us this self-giving in a unique way: Jesus himself. He knows what it means to go above and beyond the call of duty. There was no obligation for him to become a defenseless child, yet he did so because he wanted us to be able to approach him.

There was no need for him to experience our limitations of hunger and tiredness, yet he did so because he wanted to bear our burdens. There was no law that said he must die on the cross, yet he did so because his love knows no limits.

When we compare our life to the Divine Master's we are compelled to say: "We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do."

Fr. Daniel Pajerski, LC, is Formation Director for Everest Collegiate High School and Academy.

In our churches...

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

DC4K, DivorceCare for Kids, ages 5-12, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. DivorceCare for adults runs concurrently. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

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

Peace Studies, Spiritual Education, Meditation, Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Metaphysics, Bible, Comparative Religions, Understanding Prayer, Meditation. Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

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

Peace Camp, July 18-22, ages 6-12. Creating self-understanding, generosity of spirit, servant leaders, friendships, fun, art, music, drumming, meditation, yoga, peace-making tools and practices. Peace Unity Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-

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Dr. Joe S. Alamat:

University of Detroit-Mercy Dental School in 1995. He completed his medical degree at Wayne State University in 1998. He completed a 6year residency program in oral and maxillofacial surgery at Sinai Hospital in Detroit in 2001. Dr. Alamat also enjoys practicing the full scope of our specialty. This includes a special interest in pathology, orthognathics and rehabilitation with dental implants. Dr. Alamat also enjoys cosmetic surgery

Oral and maxillofacial surgery is a including the mini face lift. He has and St. John Macomb-Oakland Hospital. Dr. Alamat also lectures regularly at the University of Detroit. Dr. Alamat is certified by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and is an Associate of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery.

Dr. Michael B. Kraemer:

Dr. Michael B. Kraemer received his undergraduate degree from Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. He received his Doctor of Dental Medicine from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston, MA. Dr. Kraemer then obtained his doctor of medicine at Wayne State University, Detroit MI. He completed a 4-year residency in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Henry Ford Hospital. Dr. Kraemer enjoys all aspects of his specialty including the placement of dental implants and the reconstruction of congenital and traumatic craniofacial deformities, as well as facial cosmetic surgery. Dr. Kraemer has hospital privileges at St. John Macomb-Oakland Hospital and Royal Oak Beaumont. Dr. Kraemer is certified by the American Board of Oral and Dr. Joe S. Alamat graduated from the Maxillofacial Surgery and is an Associate of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgeons.





Coffee Club

News about and for local business folk

Networking meetings Thursdays 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Clarkston United Methodist Church



Fran Anderson, president of the Oakland County Hospital Association, presents a donation to Theresa DeLaere, director of the North Oakland Foundation, at right, and Michelle Haney, director of Euro-Peds, at left. Photo provided

Donation for scholarships

Oakland County Hospital Association recently donated \$50,000 to the North Oakland Foundation's "Adopt a Euro-Kid" scholarship

Euro-Peds, a clinic specializing in treating children and young adults who have Cerebral includes a clinic in Clarkston.

Palsy and other neuromuscular disorders, is based out of Doctors' Hospital of Michigan.

Doctors' Hospital, an independent community hospital wholly-owned by 42 physicians with 300 credentialed medical staff members,

Business achievements

Dr. Leslie Crowell-Powell, DDS, recently joined Clarkston Village Dental, 55 S. Main Street.

"This is a wonderful, tightknit commu-

nity - it's nice to see so many people helping each other," said Crowell-Powell, who joined the practice last September. "I enjoy working here and want to become part of the community."

That includes helping people in need. When she learned a young patient needed dental care but

Crowell-Powell didn't have insurance for it, she provided

treatment free of charge. "She's doing great," Crowell-Powell

She and her husband, Doug, live in Waterford with their children Haiden and and response time.

Hailey. A graduate of the University of Michigan, she started her career as a hygenist before earning her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree.

Chase Plastics of Independence Township recently hired 21 sales and administrative staff to support a growing customer

"The downturn in 2008 forced us to take an objective look at what Chase Plastics was, and what it would be going forward," said Kevin Chase, president and founder of Chase Plastics. "We determined that we wanted to focus 100 percent on our key strength: distribution."

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Make plan to spend

At the end of each month, many people ask the following question: What happened to the money I was going to save?

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- Reduce unnecessary expenses
- Evaluate needs and wants
- · Locate money in your budget for large expenses, emergencies and long-term goals

Here's how to begin building your financial framework:

- · Discover where your money goes. For one month, make notes on all expenditures. Get out last year's checkbook register to determine what you paid for those items that are not predictable on a monthly basis (entertainment, hobbies, travel, etc.).
- Categorize your expenses by areas (i.e. food, clothing childcare, utilities and transportation).

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• Prioritize your financial goals and

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A column by **James Kruzan**

determine how much vou'll need to save each month. Think long-term and shortterm goals.

• Bring your goals in line with your income (i.e. new car, less expensive car, wait another year for a car). Putting off a purchase is called "delayed gratification."

• Make the written plans realistic. Over a few months' time, you can get your spending on track and make progress toward your specific financial goals.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on June 21, 2011, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of a Planning Commission Ordinance, as follows:

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF OAKLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDINANCE NO. 2011-02

PLANNING COMMISSION ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE TO CONFORM TO PUBLIC ACT 33 OF 2008, AS AMENDED, BEING THE MICHIGAN PLANNING ENABLING ACT, MCL 125.3801 ET SEQ, REGARD-ING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION, MEMBERSHIP, PROCEDURES, MEETINGS AND DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATUTE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS:

Section 1 of Ordinance Chapter 2, Article IV. Boards and Commissions, shall

be amerided to read as follow nended to read as tollows: ARTICLE IV. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Sec. 2-67. Creation of the Planning Commission

Authority. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authority granted the Township Board of Trustee under the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, Public Act 33 of 2008, MCL 125.3801, et seq., and the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006, MCL 125.3101, et seq., to establish a Planning Commission with the powduties and limitations provided by those Acts and subject to the terms and conditions of this ordinance and any future amendments to this ordinance

Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide that the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees hereby confirms the establishment, under the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, Public Act 33 of 2008, MCL 125,3801, et seq., of the Independence Township Planning Commission, formerly established under the Township Planning Act, Public Act 169 of 1959, MCL 125.321, et seq., to establish the appointments, terms, and membership of the Planning Commission; to identify the officers and the minimum number of meetings per year of the Planning Commission, and to prescribe the authority, powers and duties of the Planning Commis-

Establishment. There shall be a Charter Township of Independence Planning Commission in accordance with the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, Act 33 of 2008, as amended with the powers and duties as therein set forth and as hereinafter provided. This ordinance shall be officially known and described as the "Independence Township Planning Commission Ordinance

Sec. 2-68. Membership of the Planning Commis-

The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Township Supervisor with the approval of a majority of the Township Board elected and serving. To be qualified to be a member and remain a member of the Commission, the individual shall be a qualified elector of Independence Township, except that one member may be a qualified elector of another local unit of government.

One member of the Township Board shall be appointed to the Planning Commission as an ex officio member. The remainder of the membership of the Planning Commission shall be representative of important segments of the community, such as the economic governmental, educational, and social development of the Township, in accordance with the major interests as they exist in the Township, such as natural resources. recreation, education, public health, government, trans portation, residential uses, industry, and commerce. The membership shall also be representative of the entire geography of the Township to the extent practicable.

Except for the ex officio member, whose term on the Planning Commission shall coincide with his or her term of elected office, members of the Planning Commission shall be appointed for three-year terms and shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified; provided, however, the initial appointments effective on or after June 30, 2011, shall occur in such a manner as to create three sets of staggered appointments, with the initial term of the first set of two members to be no more than one year, the second set of two members to be no longer that two years, and the third set of two members to be no longer than three years, such that, as nearly as possible, the terms of 1/3 of the non-ex officio commission members will expire each year.

The Township Board may remove a member of

the Planning Commission for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office upon written charges and after a public hearing. Before casting a vote on a matter on which a member of the Planning Commission may reasonably be considered to have a conflict of interest, the member shall disclose the potential conflict of interest to the Planning Commission. The member is disqualified from voting on the matter if so provided by the bylaws or by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Planning Commission. Failure of a member to disclose a potential conflict of interest as required by this subsection constitutes malfeasance in office. For purposes of this subsection, a "conflict of interest" exists when a member of the Planning Commission or a member of their family has a proprietary or financial interest in an issue or matter that is before the Planning Commission beyond that which is experienced by the public in general, or the member may receive or gain a financial benefit as a result of a vote on such issue or matter, or which would result in a violation of the Standards of Conduct for Public Officers and Employees Act, 196 PA 1973 (being MCL 15.341 et seq.), the incompatible Public Offices Act, 566 PA 1978 (being MCL 15.181 et seq.), or any other state law or Township ordinance, ethics code or policy provision applicable to conflicts of interest.

ec. 2-69. Officers of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission shall elect a chairper son and secretary from its members and create and fill other offices, as it considers advisable. The ex officio member is not eligible to 2 serve as chairperson. The term of each officer shall be 1 year, with opportunity for tion as specified in bylaws adopted under Section 04 01 00 of this Ordinance.

(b) The Planning Commission may appoint advisory committees whose members are not members of the Planning Commission

Sec. 2-70. Authority; powers; duties.

The Planning Commission shall have the powers and es as set forth in P.A. 33 of 2008, as amended, being the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, M.C.L. 125,3801 et seq.; and P.A. 110 of 2006, as amended, being the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, M.C.L. 125.3101 et seq.

Sec. 2-71. Bylaws; annual report.

(a) The Planning Commission shall adopt bylaws for the transaction of business, and shall keep a public record of its resolutions, transactions, findings, and determina-

(b) The Planning Commission shall make an annual written report to the Township Board concerning its operations and the status of planning activities, including recommendations regarding actions by the Township Board

related to planning and development.

Sec. 2-72. Meetings of the Planning Commission

The Planning Commission shall hold not less than four regular meetings each year. At its first meeting of each calendar year, the Planning Commission shall adopt and provide public notice of its regular meetings for the ensuing year in accordance with the Open Mee as amended; provided, however, that a meeting need not be held if pending matters do not warrant a meeting. Unless the Planning Commission bylaws provide otherwise, the secretary shall send written notice of a special meeting to Planning Commission members not less than 48 hours before the meeting.

The business that the Planning Commission may perform shall be conducted at a public meeting of the Planning Commission held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended. Public notice of the time, date, and place of a regular or special meeting shall be given in the manner required by that act.

The Township Board hereby transfers all powers and duties of a Zoning Board to the Planning Commission, as outlined in the Zoning Enabling Act, Act 110 of 2006, as amended, and as permitted in Section 11 of the Township Planning Act, Act 168 of 1959.

Sec. 2-73. Duties and responsibilities

The members of the Planning Commission shall have the following principal duties and responsibilities, among

- To consider, report upon, and make recommendations regarding the adoption of and amendments to the Township Zoning Ordinance.
- To prepare, consider and approve the Township Master Plan, in accordance with the Michigan Planning nabling Act, as amended.
- In accordance with the Zoning Enabling Act, Act 110 of 2006, as amended, to consider, no less frequently then every five years, whether a revision of the Master Plan or updated amendments in the Master Plan are needed and to prepare, consider and approve any such
- To consider recommend and/or approve zoning applications and requests assigned to the Commission under Township ordinances, including special land uses and other types of land use approval
- To promote understanding of and interest in the Master Plan and the Township Zoning Ordinance

Unless exempted, to review and make recom mendations on proposed public improvement projects. and to review and approve a capital improvement pla accordance with the Planning Enabling Act, Act 33 of 2008, as amended.

To review and make recommendations on pronosed platted subdivisions, condominiums and site con

To carry out other duties and responsibilities as set forth in the Planning Enabling Act, Act 33 of 2008. Sec. 2-74. Approval, ratification and reconfirma-

All official actions taken by the Charter Township of Independence Planning Commission preceding this ordinance are hereby approved, ratified, and reconfirmed. Any project, review, or process taking place at the effective date of this ordinance shall continue with the Planning Commission confirmed by this Ordinance, subject to other requirements of this Ordinance, and shall be deemed a continuation of any previous matter before the Charter Township of Independence Planning Commission. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 2 of Ordinance

All ordinances and resolut n conflict herewith are repealed in their entirety.

Section 3 of Ordinance All proceedings pending and all rights and liability existing, acquired or incurred at the time this Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law when they were commenced

Section 4 of Ordinance

If any section, sentence, or any other part of this ordinance shall be adjudicated to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect, impair or invalithe remainder of this ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the section, sentence or other part of this ordinance directly adjudicated in the controversy in which such judgment shall be rendered.

Section 5 of Ordinance

This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

By: Barbara A. Pallotta, Township Clerk

Introduced: 6/7/2011 Adopted: 6/21/2011 Published: 6/15/2011 and 6/29/2011 Effective: 6/29/2011



NOTICE REQUEST FOR VARIANCE **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a meeting on Wednesday, July 20, 2011 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, Michigan for the following purpose PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

OLD BUSINESS:

Request from Steven C. Reschak, 7501 Stonevalley Bluff, Clarkston, 48348 to allow the construction of an accessory building resulting in a total accessory floor area greater than the 1200 square feet allowed per section 16.14 of the Zoning Ordinance.

The property that is the subject of this request is located at 7501 Stonevalley Bluff, Clarkston in Springfield Township and is zoned R1, one family residential. P.I.#07-13-453-008 NEW BUSINESS:

 Request from Jim Cai, GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc., 19500 Victor Parkway, Livonia, MI 18152 to construct a fence to enclose an area of approximately 5600 square feet around an existing groundwater treatment building. Fence will be nine (9) foot high rather than the six (6) foot allowed per Section 16.13 of the Zoning Ordinance

The property that is the subject of this request is located at 12955 Woodland Trail, Davisburg, in Springfield Township and is zoned R1A, Suburban estates. P.I. #07-32-300-009.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the maps and variance requests may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular office hours, Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk's Office until the date of the meeting. Anyone needing a special accommodation at the meeting should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance, 248-846-6510

LAURA MOREAU, Clerk Charter Township of Springfield



NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL **ELIZA LAKE IMPROVEMENT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Springfield Township Board will meet at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, Michigan at: 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 14, 2011. The meeting will be to review, to hear any objections to, and to confirm a ONE YEAR Special Assessment Roll for the purpose of financing weed and algae control through an aquatic weed management program. Any person may appeal and be heard at the said Hearing, which is called pursuant to the provisions of PA 188 of 1954, as ar The total proposed Special Assessment Roll is \$15,000. The Special Assessment Roll is on file at the Springfield Township Offices for public examination. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the Special As-sessment, or may protest the Special Assessment by letter filed with the Township

Clerk, Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000

Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350 at or prior to the time of review, in which case personal appearance is not required. Appearance and protest of the Special Assessment at the time and place of review is required in order to appeal the amount of the Special Assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal, If the Special Assessment is protested as provided above, the owner or any party having interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the Special Assessment Roll has been published in the newspaper of

general circulation.

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD

Publish: 6/29/2011 &7/6/2011

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on June 21, 2011, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Repealing Certain Provisions of the

Telecommunications Ordinance, as follow STATE OF MICHIGAN **COUNTY OF OAKLAND** CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDINANCE NO. 2011-01 ORDINANCE REPEALING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE

TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE An ordinance to repeal Division 12, "Cablecasting Board," of Chapter 44, "Telecommunications," Article ii. "Cable Television," of the Charter Township of Independence Code of Ordinances

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Section 1 of Ordinance

Division 12, "Cablecasting Board," of Chapter 44, "Telecommunications," Article II, "Cable Television," of the Independence Township Code of Ordinances shall hereby be repealed in its entirety

Section 2 of Ordinance

All other provisions of Chapter 44 of the Code remain in full force and effect, and all proceedings pending and all rights and the liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section 3 of Ordinance

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE By: Barbara A. Pallotta, Township Clerk

Introduced: 5/17/2011 Adopted: 6/21/2011

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NDEPENDENCE TWP. **SYNOPSIS**

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **JUNE 21, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hail.

Plédge of Allegiance.
Roll Call: Present: Lohmeier, Wallace, Rosso and

Absent: Wagner, Paliotta, Petterson There was a quorum.
Approved appointment of Acting Chair

- Approved appointment of Acting Clerk
- The Agenda was approved.
 Public Forum opened at 7:33 p.m.
 APPROVAL of CONSENT AGENDA:
- a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2011 and Special Meeting Minutes of May 25, 2011.
 b. Approval of fireworks display over Lake Oakland.
- Approval of fireworks display at Everest Academy. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
- Update from Disability Study Group Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of the Planning Commission Ordinance
- Approved Resolution confirming appointments to the Planning Commission.
- Approved Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Repealing Certain Provisions of the Telecommunications Ordinance.

 10. NEW BUSINESS:
- Capital Improvement Program Process. Presenta tion given by Dick Carlisle, Carlisle /Wortman. Approved bringing discussion back at the July 19th
- Approved establishing a Citizens' Study Group
- regarding Open Burning.

 Approved establishing a Citizens' Neighborhood Road Study Group.
 The meeting RECESSED at 9:30 p.m.

The meeting RECONVENED at 9:36 p.m.

4. Approved bringing back the Monthly Budget

- Update at the next Regular Meeting, July 5, 2011
- Approved the 2012-2014 Cooperative Agreements Oakland County Urban County Community
 Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Discussed Budget Review for Assessing and Board of Review
- Discussed Budget Review for Treasurer's
- Approved enhancements to be made to the Cable Building at a cost not to exceed \$500.00, to be performed by the DPW.
- Approved First Quarter Investment Report Approved Check Run in the total amount of

The meeting ADJOURNED at 10:20 a.m.

Paula M. Heenan Deputy Clerk

Published: 6/29/2011

LAKE ORION COMMUNITY **SCHOOLS**

ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

Lake Orion Community Schools will be accepting bids for Tennis court renovations at Lake Orion High School. Carpet replacement at Pine Tree Elementary and miscellaneous concrete sidewalk and curb repairs at Lake Orion High School. Bid packets may be obtained from Frank Rewold and Son at 333 East Second Street Rochester MI, 48307. Starting Wednesday June 29, 2011 at 9 am. A mandatory walk through will be held on Friday July 1, 2011, Pine Tree Carpet contractors at 10am, and High School Concrete and Tennis court bidders at Lake Orion High School at 11am. Bids are due on Wednesday, July 13, 2011 at 2:00 pm. All questions regarding the Projects should be directed to Jason Rewold, Project Estimator, at

SIGNED: Board Of Education Lake Orion Community Schools

Clarkston man faces misfortune with optimism

BY TREVOR TURNER

Special to the Clarkston News

Three years ago, Dan Burke of Clarkston woke up at 5 a.m. to lift weights in the basement of his home.

"That's when it blew," Burke said.

He suffered a stroke resulting from a cerebral arteriovenous malformation (AVM) - a tangle in arteries and veins in his brain, problably present since birth.

Twenty-five at the time and married with one child and another on the way, Burke's now ex-wife called for help. He was sent to Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc, then shipped to Harper hospital in De-

Burke was in a coma for a day and a half and blind for a year. He regained 20/20 vision in his right eye with help from a computerassisted training program, Nova Vision. He now can see only with his right eye.

"When you are used to seeing and boom, one day everything is turned off, your whole independence is gone, but my children have always been there," Burke said. "My goal has been to see them and help them later in life. My children are probably the reason I lived."

To be where he is at today is a miracle, said his father, Brian Burke.

"He is never down and constantly moti-



Dan Burke is recovering from an AVM that left him in a coma and took his sight for a year. Photo by Trevor Turner

vated," Brian said. "People tell me everyday how much he has improved."

Dan's attitude towards his misfortune is optimistic and shows his true character.

"You can't dwell on the past if something bad happens to you, you can sit and boohoo about it all you want, but it's not going to make things better," he said.

Dan works at Bowman Chevrolet in Independence Township and rides his bike to and

from work everyday.

He intends to get his drivers license again. "I drove a Pontiac Grand Prix six weeks ago with a driving instructor," he said.

He drove with Michele Montagano, owner of All About Driving in Waterford.

"It was very nice of him," Dan said. "When nobody else had the guts to ride in a car with a once blind man, he did."

Around Town

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IndependenceTownship Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Got Beads, share love of beads and beading, second, fourth Tuesday, 7-8:30 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Town Hall Quilt Guild, third Tuesday, 7 p.m., First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. Guest fee, \$5. 248-705-7310.

Creative Writing Workshop, Tuesdays, 9-10:30 a.m., July 12-Aug. 16. Focuses on creativity in a no-pressure environment. Bring 8 1/2x11 notebook and pen. \$12. Senior Adult Activity Center. 248-625-8231.

Zumba, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 8-9 p.m.; Saturdays, 12-1 p.m. Clarkston Hot Yoga, 5678 Sashabaw Road. 248-620-7101.

Wednesday

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

Free Smoking Cessation, Wednesdays, May 11, 18, 2-4 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. 248-922Thursday

Clarkston Masons/Cedar 60, first Thursdays, 8 p.m., 1 East Washington. 248-625-4610.

Clarkston Area Lions Club, second and fourth Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Carriage House, Clintonwood Park. 248-802-8603.

Tell Us Abour Your Travels, Photo Presentations, second Thursday, 6-7:30 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

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.

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., madefrom-scratch. \$6 donation. Independence Township Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Make reservation by Monday before, 248-625-8231.

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.

Free General Support Group for any type of cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drrive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.

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

Stepping Strong, Thursdays, through June 2. Walk 1-3 miles on paved paths. \$10. Senior center, 248-623-8231.

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.

Kid's Camp Yoga, Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Hot Yoga, 5678 Sashabaw Road. \$7, for ages 5-10. 248-620-7101.

Obituaries

Jolana J. Tuharsky, 87

Ronald D. Carrel, 77

Ronald Dean Carrel, 77, of Pine, Colo., passed away June 24, 2011.

A longtime resident of Clarkston, he and his wife retired to Colorado in 1997. A U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War, he is survived by wife Diane Carrel, daughter Sally (Sobocienski) Ball and son-in-law James Ball.

Visitation is 6-8 p.m., Thursday, June 30, Evergreen Memorial Park Great Room. Additional visitation, 10 a.m., Friday, July 1, before a Celebration of Life at 11 a.m. at The Barn Chapel at Evergreen Memorial Park, 26624 N. Turkey Creek Road, Evergreen, Colo. Service will be followed by a reception. To write a message of condolence to the family go to www.EvergreenMemorialPark.com

Arrangements by Evergreen Mortuary.

Jolana J. Tuharsky of White Lake passed away June 20, 2011, at age 87.

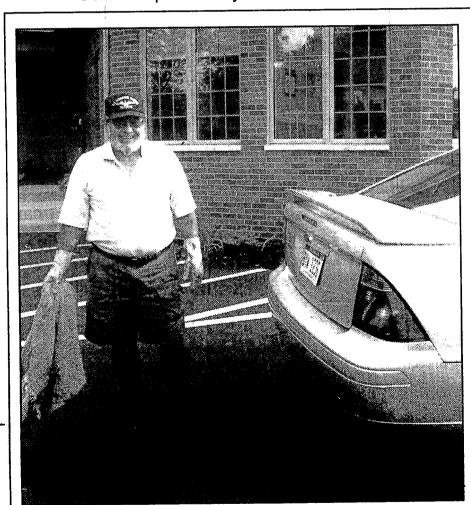
She was preceded in death by her husband John H. She was the mother of Janice (Edward) Mims, John Allen (Sharon) Tuharsky and Jolana (Thomas) Burnside; grandmother of three; great grandmother of three; sister of Catherine Carlson,



Agnes Brownwell and the late Valerie Notto.

Funeral Service was June 25 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Private Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com



Vince Alonzi helps out at last year's car wash. Photo provided

Car wash to help American Legion

The American Legion Auxiliary Campbell Richmond Unit 63 hosts its fourth annual car wash to benefit Auxiliary programs and to help send care packages to troops overseas.

The car wash will be at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, 5929 South Main Street in Clarkston, on Sunday, July 17, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Donations are accepted. Call 248-625-9912.

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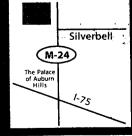
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