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Wartime romance

Vet builds marriage amidst World War II

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
 Clarkston News Editor

When Frank Quinlan of Springfield Township wears his Navy uniform in local veterans events, it's the one issued to him in the middle of World War II.

"It's 66 years old – I wore it last Sunday in a flag ceremony for veterans in Livonia," said Quinlan, 91.

He was stationed at Crow's Landing, an auxiliary base near Naval Air Station Alameda in California.

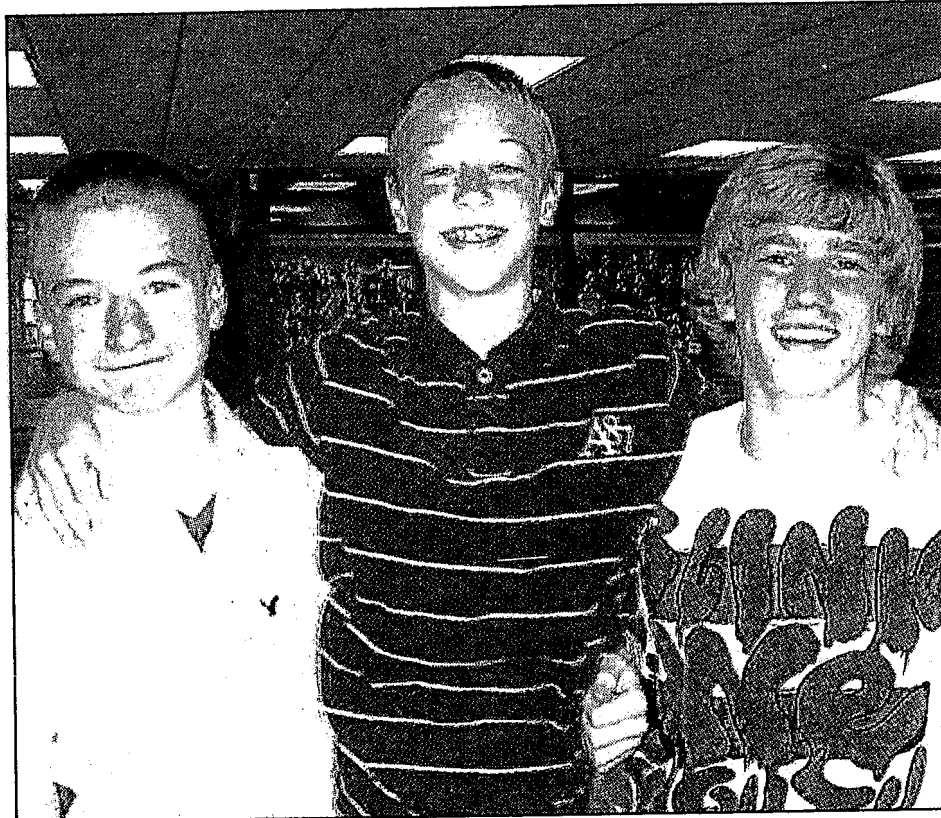
The base was secret, making it difficult for his wife, Annamarie, to visit the first time.

"They said there was no base there," said Annamarie, who later joined him at the base.

Frank was assigned to PB4Y-2 patrol
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Frank and Annamarie Quinlan



From left, Tyler Dunn, Hank Grogan and Danny Billette made a decision to help a stranger. Not pictured, Daniel Byrne. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Making the right choice

BY WENDI REARDON
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Four teammates from the Boys Cross Country team jumped into action when they found a wallet at the Oakland County meet at Kensington Metro Park, Oct. 8.

"We went to the bathroom and there was a long line," said Clarkston Junior High School freshman Hank Grogan. "We were going to another bathroom when Danny Bryne (a senior at Clarkston High School) looked down and saw a wallet on the ground."

Along with freshmen Tyler Dunn and Danny Billette, they picked up the wallet,

peered into it, and found a driver's license, along with more than \$125 in cash.

"There was a car with a door open where we found the wallet," Billette added. "At first we put the wallet in the door handle. But then thought, what if someone sees it and they are bad people."

With information gathered from the wallet, they looked for the owner but couldn't find him. They took the wallet, cash intact, to the event manager.

"We didn't know if they found the person," Dunn said. "They took down our

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30 days

Dec. 1 deadline for Supervisor Wagner

BY TREVOR KEISER
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township board is offering Supervisor Dave Wagner a 30-day window to receive his lifetime healthcare early in return for "his unconditional resignation and permanent retirement from Independence Township government."

"This board has been patient, even dossal about the lack of the supervisor's attendance to his duties," said Trustee Neil Wallace. "We've been doing the best we can to get by, but there comes a point when that becomes a disservice to the township and to the township's employees."

The board voted 4-2 in favor of the motion written by Wallace. He felt statements by Wagner in recent news reports supported reason for his motion.

"It seemed to me the message was pretty clear," Wallace said. "He was offering to us, in so many words, that he would resign if he had his retirement healthcare benefits paid for by the township."

Treasurer Curt Carson disagreed with giving the benefits early before meeting the requirements.

"The supervisor now is the only individual who can receive these benefits after only eight years in office. I think it is right that he has to serve the eight years to receive them," Carson said. "Offering the benefits early by forcing him to resign I think sets a bad precedents and provides a bad example."

The board voted to changed retirement benefits from eight years to 16 years in Nov. 2010. Having four years already under his belt, Wagner was grandfathered into the eight years to receive retirement benefits.

Trustee Mark Petterson who also voted against the motion said he was "sticking by his guns again."

"When you quit you leave with
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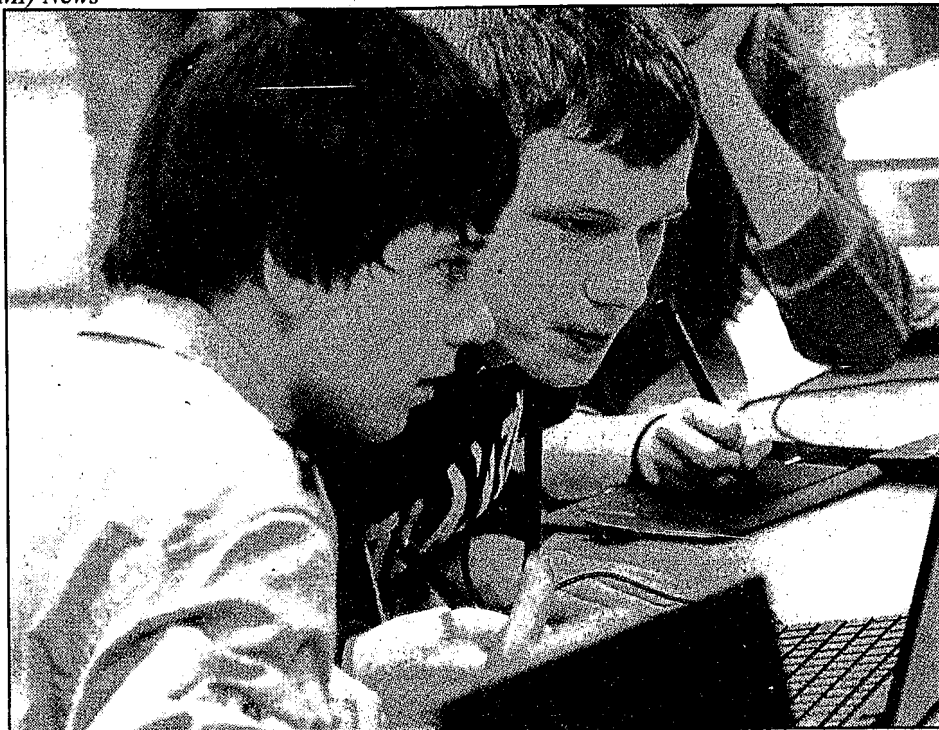
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Tanner Lee and Dakota Dixon work on a problem in their statistics class.

New way to go to class

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It was a usual Friday morning for freshmen in Jeff Peariso's Statistics class. They were working on the task assigned to them.

But what was usual for them was unusual for anyone peeking into the classroom. Instead of textbooks open, they had laptops. Instead of pencil and paper, they were using a Bamboo pen tablet linked to their computers.

They were being used to flip their classroom, a new technique used in a few math, science, language arts and history classes at Clarkston Junior High School.

Peariso explained a normal day for each student always includes something new. But throughout the day, his lesson tends to fade. Mixed with other classes and activities, by the time students start their homework, the

lesson learned in his morning class is gone.

With flipping the classroom, however, students research what they will learn in their next class.

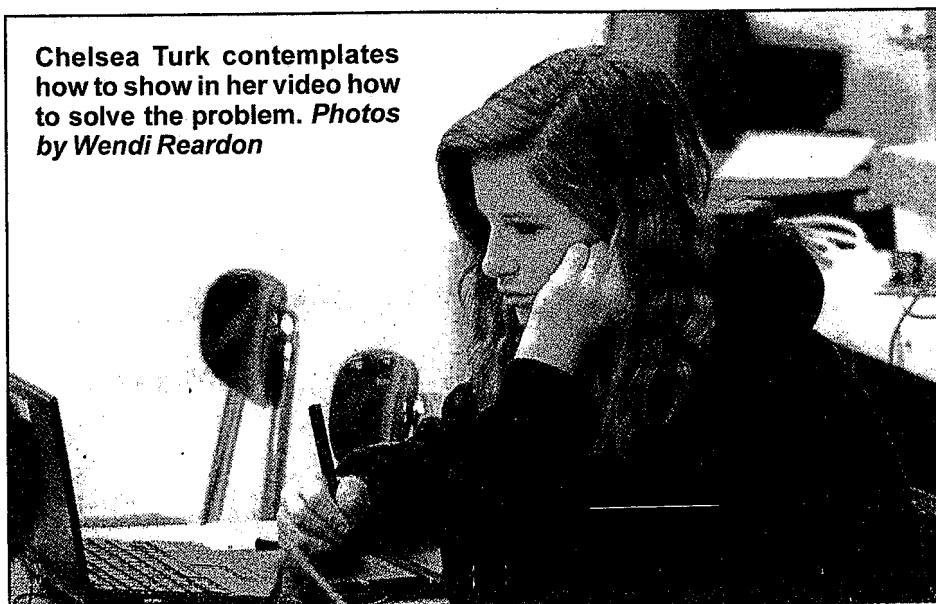
"I tell them tonight, I want you to go online and find out what standard deviation means," Peariso added as an example.

After using resources, including the Internet, students answer any questions on Peariso's blog, showing they know what they are talking about. They also create a video on how to solve problems.

"The 30 problems I used to give them for homework, we are working on together while they take notes," he said, adding their next homework assignment would be to show him how to solve the problems.

"The best part they are not coming in cold anymore," Peariso added. "They know what
Please see Technology on page 3A"

Chelsea Turk contemplates how to show in her video how to solve the problem. Photos by Wendi Reardon



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Briefly

U-Verse for township

Independence Township board voted unanimously to approve equipment purchase and implementation for board meetings to be broadcast on AT&T U-Verse.

Equipment and access fees would cost from \$9,000-\$19,000 per year, depending on level of service. The township has about \$400,000 in Public, Educational and Government fees.

Toys for Tots concert

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road, hosts its 12th annual Rock n' Roll Toy Drive for Toys for Tots, 1-9 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 4.

This event features live music on two stages by local musicians Phil Treais Group, Skee Brothers, Urban Nomads, TJ Craven, Blues Conspiracy, Slight Return and more with special MC John O'Leary of 94.7 WCSX.

Cost of admission per person is a \$10 donation or new unwrapped toys of approximate value. All contributions to go to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. A cash bar and food items will be available.

For further information, call Dan or Salli at 248-623-0444, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday.

Hunter safety class

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation hosts a Hunter's Safety class, 5-10 p.m., Nov. 8 and 10, at Hart Community Center in Davisburg.

This class will teach students ages 10 and up to be safe and responsible hunters. Course topics include hunting history, safe firearm handling, animal identification, shot selection, laws and regulations, personal preparedness, survival skills and wildlife conservation.

This course does not include "live fire" training. Participants are tested at the completion of the course and those 10 years of age and older are awarded their Hunter Safety Certification Card from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Fee is \$10 per person. Students under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

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Superintendent idea delayed

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With late conversations with the township attorney, Independence Township Trustee David Lohmeier pushed back his superintendent proposal to the Nov. 15 meeting.

Lohmeier had announced at a special meeting, Oct. 25, that his choice for superintendent was either fellow Trustee Larro Rosso or Trustee Neil Wallace.

Wallace said at the Nov. 1 meeting he "rejected the idea."

Earlier in the year when the board was talking about the possibility of appointing a temporary supervisor, Wallace had indicated to Lohmeier he was willing to take on that role and give up his elected position as trustee.

"However, the supervisor's reaction to our effort to try and accomplish something to fill the lack of leadership warned me off of that,"

Wallace said. "Together with some other considerations that I believe would have hampered my ability to be as effective as I would have liked to be."



Rosso

Rosso said he "appreciated" Lohmeier's confidence in him, but would not be able to accept "due to personal and health reasons."

Lohmeier said he is still moving forward and still has a "little bit of hope."

"They are still my first and second choices and I still think it would be better to have someone that's deeply involved in our current activities take the reigns," Lohmeier said. "But I will adjust my thinking and open myself to the possibility it may have to be somebody else. I'm just not quite sure who that person would be."

Technology helps grades, saves paper

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we are going over. They have a deeper understanding of what they are doing because they own it."

"It's fun," said Paige Bailey. "We learn in a different way."

"It's just learning with a keyboard instead of a pencil," added Tanner Lee.

Peariso and the students have noticed a boost in grades from using the technology in the classroom.

The idea came from a conference Peariso attended with Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock, along with other administrators, last year.

Eric Mazur, a Physics professor from Harvard University, talked about how he had flipped the classroom.

"He realized his students had gotten to the point all they had to do was spit back the answers," Pearson said.

By telling the professor what he wanted to hear, they knew they could pass. They knew how to do the problems but hadn't learned anything from it. Mazur switched the roles by flipping the classroom.

"I took it one step further with my students," said Peariso. "They have to teach someone else. We all know if you are good enough to show someone how to do it - you know it."

The students are looking at the benefits as more than just learning but also as organization and convenience.

"It's easier because you don't have to bring all your binders and books," said Dakota Dixon.

Chelsea Turk pointed out it was easier to have everything on the laptop and saved on buying school supplies.

"It's easier for homework," Lee added. "You either send it or blog it. You don't have

to worry about leaving your homework at home. You just bring your laptop."

In case the laptops crash for some reason the students also put their files on Google docs.

Peariso also noticed a convenience in less paper when printing tests. The students download the test and right before they began, Peariso shuts the internet off. Plus, students unable to come to class due to illness can still participate at home and not get behind in lessons.

Peariso also said for snow days the students will still have class. They will just be using their computers.

The students have also used Skyping to talk to Dr. Rock about making the pilot program permanent, and if they will have it next year in high school. They will be using it to talk to Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson about jobs in technology, wireless network in Clarkston and giving their feedback.

Peariso and Clarkston Junior High School history teacher Michael Greve presented how they were using technology in their classroom at the 11th Annual AT&T/MACUL Student Technology Showcase at State Capitol in Lansing, Nov. 2.

Students Carter Zielinski, Joe Shefferly and Sophie Hubble showed elected members of the Michigan State Senate and the House of Representatives how they use the laptops and Bamboo touch pads for school.

Peariso had visitors from New Zealand on Friday seeing how everything worked.

"They are looking at doing the same thing," he said.

The students received the notebook laptops at the beginning of the year. Like a library book, they signed them out and can put insurance on it.

More burn regs recommended

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Open burning should remain in Independence Township but with more regulations.

That's the recommendation of the open-burn committee, appointed to examine the issue. The six-member panel submitted their report to the Township Board, Nov. 1.

A public hearing on the recommendations will be at the Nov. 15 regular Township Board meeting at 7 p.m.

Committee recommendations include: all open burning requires a permit, but remove "chimneys, fireplaces, and fire pots" and "bonfires" from the ordinance. They also recommended two new permits be established, one for the non-recreational burning of yard waste and the other for recreational campfires.

Camp fires are allowed any day of the year between 5 p.m. and 12 a.m. in an outdoor wood burning device or fire pit, but are limited to five feet in diameter and seasoned wood to reduce smoke.

Yard waste burn dates depend on lot size. Lots less than or equal to one acre will have four burn days a month: first and third Saturdays and Sundays.

Lots greater than one acre will maintain the current burn schedule, which is eight days each month: 8 a.m.-8 p.m., April 1-Nov. 31; and 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Dec. 1-March 31. Leaves can also be burned as yard waste between Oct. 1 to April 30. The size of fire is limited to five feet in diameter.

The committee recommends both recreational and non-recreational fires "be constantly attended by a competent person 18 years of age or older until the fire is completely extinguished."

They also recommend modifying the current 50-foot rule. Fires on less than or equal to an acre should be 25 feet from a structure. Lots greater than one acre must be 25 feet from a structure and 50 feet from the lot line.

The committee recommends stiffer penalties. First offense is a warning; second offense, \$150 fine; third offense, \$300 fine; and fourth offense \$600 fine with potential prosecution.

If accepted, the committee recommends the changes be made next year, with review in April 2013.

The burn committee includes James Reed, Mark Geno, Stanley Bojanczyk, Sandra Boggemes, Andrea Hirsch, and Dave Stolk. Boggemes and Hirsch were against the recommended changes.



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Vet, 91, still active in parades, events

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bombers, mostly the plane called "Green Cherries."

"The planes flew over the Pacific patrolling for Japanese subs," he said. "I worked in the ground crew, gassing them up, keeping them flying."

Frank was born in Canada. Orphaned at a young age, he grew up in three orphanages before emigrating to the United States.

"I was a 'nickel immigrant' — it cost a nickel to ride the ferry," he said.

He joined the Merchant Marines when he was 21, living in Chicago.

"I would see the freighters go by and thought, 'I want to do that work,'" he said. "I did that for three years and then the war came on."

He sailed the Great Lakes in the J.E. Upson and other freighters until he was drafted into the U.S. Navy in January 1945, serving until April 1946.

His younger brother, the late Louis Quinlan, remained in Canada. He flew Lancaster bombers with the Royal Canadian Air Force during the war.

"He flew 47, 48 missions over France and Germany," Frank said.

Frank and Annamarie met before he was drafted. A friend of his was dating Ann's sister.

"I was ship keeper on a freighter and there was nothing to do," Frank said. "He said he knew a girl in Ferndale. I didn't even know there was a Ferndale."

That's where Annamarie grew

up. When they met, she was working at Ft. Wayne Ordinance in Detroit, making Jeeps, halftracks, amphibious trucks, and other Army vehicles.

Despite a warning from her mother not to marry a sailor, they started going out. One of eight children, Annamarie's family life appealed to Frank.

"I wasn't a family man. I lived where I hung my hat, on ship and in hotels in winter," he said. "I liked the home-life atmosphere, so I settled down and got married."

They married in 1944.

After the war, they settled in Ferndale, and Frank served on the Ferndale Fire Department for 18 years.

They moved to Davisburg in 1965, where they ran building, cement, party store, and other businesses.

They raised four children, Christine, Colleen, Patrick, and Sean, and have 12 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Frank is active with the Am Vets in Milford and American Legion Post 63 in Clarkston. He wears his Navy uniform at local flag ceremonies, parades, military funerals, and veterans and community events.

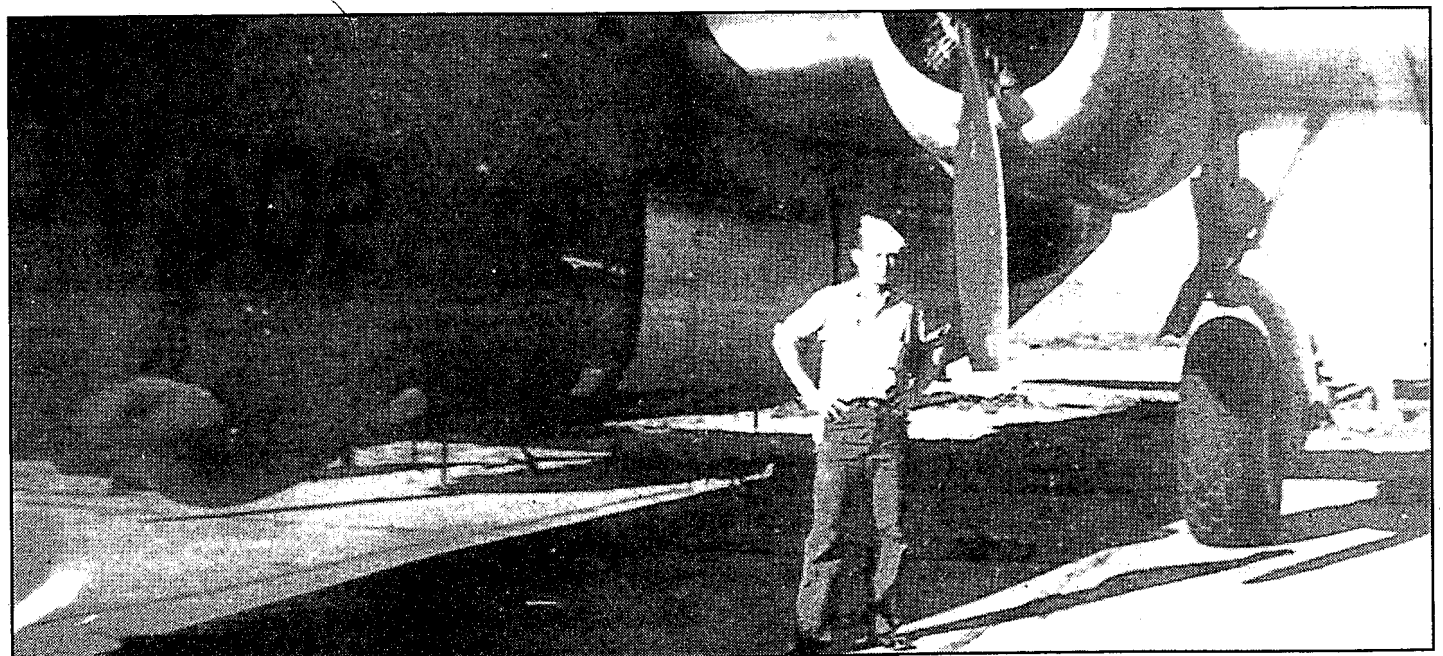
"I march to honor my country, and to show the history of our generation, defending our country," he said.

He enjoys meeting young veterans and service men and women.

"I have great faith in the youth of today," he said. "I appreciate what they do for our country."



Frank and Annamarie Quinlan in 1945.



Frank Quinlan poses with his patrol bomber during World War II. Photos provided

Clarkston grad named CMU Gold Ambassador

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Meredith Clark received a huge honor during Central Michigan University's Homecoming Week.

The 2007 Clarkston High School graduate was named Gold Ambassador, which is the equivalent of Homecoming Queen at the university.

"It was super exciting," Clark said. "The whole week was exciting to participate in the homecoming festivities each night at different residency halls and student organizations. It was really rewarding experience."

Clark, a senior, begun the three step process during the summer. First she was nominated by First Book, a non-profit organization where she is president.

"We promote literacy for under privileged children by providing kids with their first book," she added.

She started the organization at CMU based on the non-profit organization with the same name.

"I was involved with the Michigan Education Association and we wanted to start promoting literacy by making our own advisory board at Central," Clark said.

The next step to becoming Gold Ambassador included filling out an application, writing essays and getting faculty recommenda-



From left, Central Michigan University 2010 Homecoming Gold Ambassador Steven Wincent, 2011 Gold Ambassadors Alan Jones and Clarkston High School graduate Meredith Clark. Photo provided

tions.

From there the nominees are narrowed down to 10 females and 10 males. Then, they

are interviewed and give a presentation before being narrowed down the Homecoming Courty - five females and five males. The

final decision is made through a campus vote for the Homecoming Gold Ambassadors.

Clark and Alan Jones, from Detroit, were named as the ambassadors on during the Chippewa Rock Rally on Oct. 14, the night before CMU played Eastern Michigan University in their Homecoming game.

Clark added she decided to go for it because she thought it was a good opportunity to represent CMU.

"I wanted to give back to the school that has given me so much," she said.

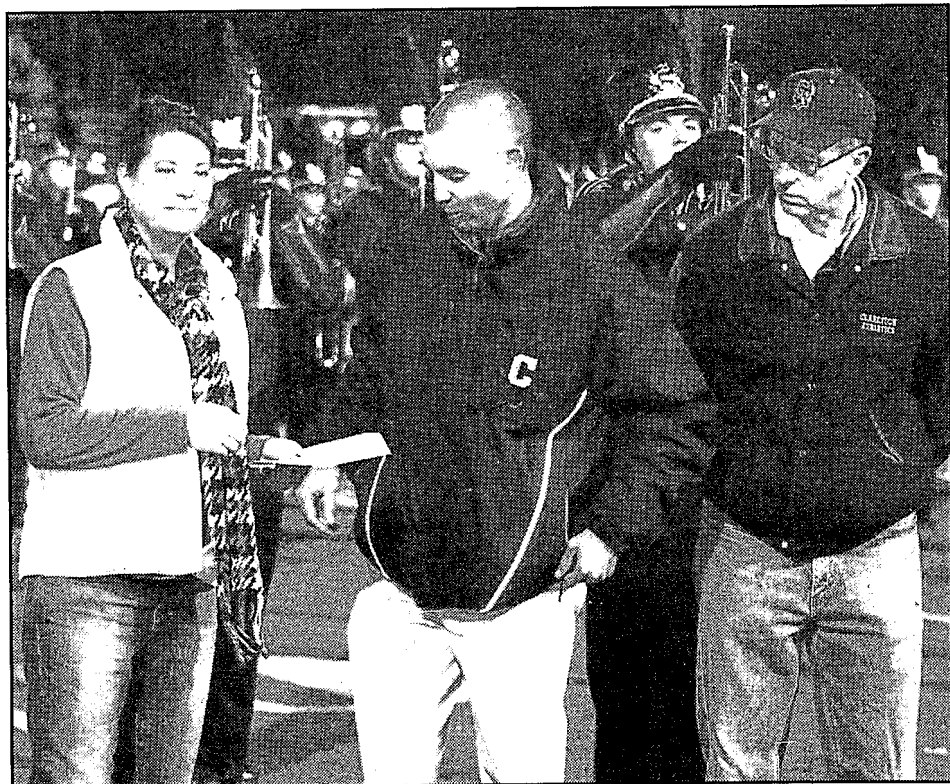
As a Gold Ambassador and the representation of the university, she spoke to alumni at Homecoming as well as talk to staff and students during Homecoming Week.

She will also work with community service project, serve on the scholarship scouting committee and speak at different alumni events throughout the year.

She also volunteers for CMU's alternative breaks program and on the next trip is going to South Carolina. She is also a mentor to a fourth grader through Lunch Buddies, a mentor program through CMU.

Clark is studying Elementary Education and Language Arts and will be back in her hometown when she begins her student teaching at Springfield Plains Elementary.

She graduates in May.



Helping Football for a Cure

Deana Hart accepts a check from Clarkston High School Principal Gary Kaul and Athletic Director Dan Fife for Football for a Cure. The \$9,363.86 total raised will go towards patient support at McLaren Breast Center and Great Lakes Cancer Institute. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Consider veterans

I received a list of "free stuff to honor veterans" from Clarkston Cares for Military Families.

This sort of thing seems fairly recent. Hopefully, it's welcome to veterans, especially all the new vets of Iraq and Afghanistan.

Outback Steakhouse offers free Bloomin' Onions and Cokes this whole week.

On Veterans' Day itself, Friday, Nov. 11:

Free meals at Applebee's, Chili's, Hooters and Texas Roadhouse; free doughnut at participating Krispy Kremes for active-duty, retirees, and veterans; and free six-inch sub at participating Subway franchises to military veterans.

T.G.I. Friday's offers buy one get one free, Nov 11-14, at participating locations for anyone with an old or current military ID. National Park Service waives entrance fees during Veteran's Day weekend, Nov. 11-13. McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants offers free lunch or dinner, Nov 13; and Golden Corral, free meal, Nov. 14.

I like all this stuff. For some, it may just be a marketing idea, but I'm sure most sincerely want to do something to show their appreciation. If your business is serving food, what else can you do but offer a free meal?

Clarkston Cares for Military Families also wants to know what everyone else is willing and able to do for vets as they return from Afghanistan and Iraq.

It's a good question. For me, I'll do what I can to make their voices heard and stories told. Local veterans groups help, but if you know a Clarkston veteran who has an interesting story to tell, which is all of them, let me know at 248-625-3370 or Clarkstonnews@gmail.com.

Veterans participating in the Occupy movements get a lot of attention, and they should. Occupy's executive officer of the week, or whatever they use for leadership, certainly make it known whenever a veteran in their ranks gets injured.

There, they have a point. What veterans do and say should be important.

If Occupy Wall Street, Oakland, and whatever knows enough to put veterans front and center, everyone else can do at least the same.



Letters to the Editor... Burning ordinance

Dear Editor,

It's autumn and the leaves are falling again. Now and throughout the year, many local residents believe that burning leaves and yard waste such as branches and brush is a cheap and convenient way to clean up their lawns and properties. What they may not realize is that the drifting smoke from their fires might be making their neighbors sick!

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and American Lung Association warn that smoke from burning leaves and wood contains small particles, carcinogens, hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, and other harmful emissions which can worsen existing health problems, contribute to heart and lung disease, and even lead to heart attacks and strokes.

The small smoke particles lodge deep in the lungs and can cause asthma attacks, allergic reactions, and bronchitis. Those most at risk are young children, the elderly, those with heart and lung disease, and others with chronic health conditions such as high blood pressure and diabetes.

Even healthy people may experience eye, nose, throat, and lung irritation from smoke exposure. It's not always safe to stay in the house and close the windows because smoke particles can seep in through tiny cracks and circulate in inside air for several hours.

In order to protect public health and safety, the State of Michigan prohibits the open burning of leaves in any municipality having a population of 7,500 or more unless specifically authorized by local ordinance.

The open burning of leaves and yard waste is permitted in Independence Township and is regulated by the township's open burning ordinance. Residents must also obtain an annual burn permit from the fire department.

In an effort to meet the current needs of our residents, the township board is now in the process of reviewing the existing open burning ordinance to determine whether the rules need to be revised or strengthened. A public forum is scheduled at the Independence Township Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m. to discuss this important issue.

If you are concerned about the potentially harmful health impact of open burning smoke on your family and the community, I urge you to attend the public forum and encourage our board members to strengthen the open burning rules to provide township residents with optimal protection against unhealthy smoke emissions. Speak up now for your right to clean, smoke-free air!

Andrea Hirsch
Independence Township

School reforms

Dear Editor,

In response to the guest viewpoint "Rep. calls for school accountability, performance," June 15, I felt state Rep. Eileen Kowall took a shot at the salary of Clarkston's superintendent.

She failed to mention Gov. Rick Snyder's cabinet personnel make \$270,000 a year. She attacked the teachers, saying "they had a 5.5 percent increase in the last three years." It was closer to 1.5 percent. She went on to say teachers are reaping exorbitant benefits. What does that mean? Her salary is over \$100,000. To my knowledge, a teacher after 20 years makes much less than \$100,000.

Mrs. Kowall goes on to say legislators are doing away with their healthcare benefits. If you read the fine print, however, most of the cuts in health care are for incoming legislators, with those remaining still getting health care for themselves and their families. She has voted "yes" to all bills to cuts for public schools.

The one bill that bothers me the most is the cutting of welfare checks beginning Nov. 1. I know there has been abuse by some, but with these cutbacks, our children will be affected the most. Who is going to be responsible to see if these children have food, proper clothing, warm bed to sleep in? Will they be hungry when school starts? How will they celebrate birthdays or Christmas? The list goes on and on. Don't we have a responsibility for these children?

Mel L. Vaara
Clarkston

Thanks to firefighters

Dear Editor,

Independence Elementary would like to extend a special thank you to the Independence Township Fire Department!

Each October, they come to our kindergarten classrooms to teach our little ones about fire safety, when to call 911 and what to do in case of a fire. They even allow our children to walk through a fire engine and paramedic truck! Our children enjoy this event tremendously and talk about it for weeks! Thank you for enriching our curriculum and supporting our community! We truly appreciate your time and effort!

The Kindergarten Students and Teachers
of Independence Elementary

Viewpoint on Wagner

Dear Editor,

In response to Neil Wallace's viewpoint "Input needed in supervisor situation," Nov. 2, as tax payers and residents of Independence Township, we urge the Township Board to do whatever is necessary to remove Supervisor Dave Wagner from office.

As an elected public servant, it is quite apparent Mr. Wagner is only interested in serving himself and his own welfare at the expense of taxpayers.

Paul and Germaine Ilg
Independence Township

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1996

"Up, up and away with drugs" Counselor Rob Albee filled his Clarkston Middle School office with red balloons, one for each student during an anti-drug program. The school's Club Pride members including Annie Carden, Kristen Clark, Tori Lauzun, and Beth Holland organized the event.

"Dissonance ends in conservatory case" A year of discord between six parties ended with the sale of Clarkston Conservatory to Dr. James Wilhelmsen, long-time piano instructor. Plans for the conservatory included renovation of the building, built in 1851, more classes and programs, and construction of a salon-style, 150-seat recital hall out back.

"Kids Voting draws big turnout" Natalie Misialek, Joe Christopher, Lisa Hopcian, Chris Rota, and their Clarkston elementary-school classmates learned about the election process. Detroit Edison sponsored the program, spearheaded by Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary.

25 years ago - 1986

"Dam gift" The broken Mill Pond dam and overflow structure was offered to Oakland County Drain Commission. The dam was the subject of a lawsuit by the Village of Clarkston against the dam owner to repair it.

"Parents protest against 6th grade changes" Following strong parental protests, Clarkston School Board decided to wait a month on whether to move sixth graders into the junior high schools. Parents were concerned about a shortage of classroom space.

"Chinese visitors tune into Clarkston" Visitors listened to vocal and instrumental music of elementary, junior high, and high school students in a national art exchange program.

50 years ago - 1961

"Township U.F. Drive goes over the top" Independence Township residents beat the United Fund goal of \$5,800. Residential general chairman was Lucille Kroninger.

"Women's Club" Mrs. Dona Fahrner, club president, was set to host the panel discussion, "Are Our Children Getting Too Much Too Soon?" All members were urged to bring their husbands and other interested parties.

"Clarkston locals" Timothy Jones hosted 14 neighborhood pre-schoolers at a Halloween party. The party was given by his mother, Mrs. Robert Jones.

Veterans Day-pause, reflect on the sacrifices

This Day became Veterans Day by act of Congress in 1954. Our nation's first official recognition day for veterans was Armistice Day. Woodrow Wilson was president at the time.

("Oh, beautiful, for spacious skies. . .")

I recall my Army veteran father referring to World War I as being "the war to end all wars." This was widely believed to be such.

We are allowed to dream, to hope and to believe world rulers would see the futility war and suffering war creates.

However, in the late 1920s Americans were experiencing the "Great Depression."

I, and others, still wonder if President Roosevelt got us into the war in Europe in 1941 for economic reasons rather than patriotism.

The losses of human life in that war were tremendous.

("My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty.")

Lessons wars taught world leaders have not been lessened through logical means. Our involvements in

Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, and so many other areas have cost so many lives . . . lives of human beings who remembrances and respect cannot be lessened by naming a Day.

**Jim's
Jottings**



**a column by
Jim Sherman**

The November 11 of 1918 was continued as the Day in 1954 when President Eisenhower said, "On that day, let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom."

Our three children were born between wars, which few parents can say today, because our youths have seen many "conflicts" that have involved our service men and women.

But, now I'm wondering about our grandchildren's future.

("America, America, God shed his grace on thee.")

There are so many theaters of hostilities that we

could be entered into for financial, power and religious reasons.

I believe Americans might again be "sold" into going into another war. Politicians, orators and believers in other things can paint outlooks and landscapes that can be very convincing.

This Day we must review words in the Gettysburg address, stop and look up at our 50-star flag, thrill to our properly sung national anthem, let our pride show openly as military units march by.

Group uprisings gain banner headlines, but the work of veterans clubs and their auxiliaries, church organizations, businessmen's service clubs, charity groups and others continue to do fine work for their fellow man and country.

("Crown thy good with brotherhood.")

Yes, it is time that we renew our pride of country, respect for the flag and support that which is best for this nation of the people, by the people and for the people.

Recognize that our 50-star flag still waves "over the land of the free and home of the brave."

Anti-Bullying in Lansing is horse pockey

So . . . the world is up in arms. Life as we know it will end. Nobody likes us Michiganians, and I know this because all the opinion-mongers (like me), are writing about us in Washington DC, New York, Los Angeles and anywhere in between. Children will die and it is all the fault of those Republicans who have a seat in the Michigan Senate.

What is all the hubbub?

Bullying and the stupid anti-bullying bill the Michigan senate passed (along party lines) last week. Not that anti-bullying is stupid, just the line in there that says bullying ain't bullying if the bully is only acting on his or her, "sincerely held religious belief or moral conviction."

What the . . . ?

In other words, if I go to *Don's Church of the Holy Roller*, based on the sacred premise that God only wants rich people in Heaven, it is okay if I pick on homeless folks. Like I said, that would-be law is stupid.

But, in general I think most laws of this type are, well, stupid. I have said it before and I will say it again: You

can't legislate what is in somebody's head. If I am a hater, I am gonna' hate regardless of what you tell me I can or cannot do.

Do we need an anti-bullying law? Not really. I believe on the books already are laws against harassing (be it in person, on the phone, mail, etc.), beatings and other parts of "bullying."

I know, you think I don't get "it." "Don," you're probably saying, "you know not what you write about. You're a mountain of a man -- a strapping white lad of fine up bringing, universally loved by all, since the day your bald noggin crowned out of your mother's womb. How can you have any opinion on bullying worthy of debate? You and your fine Clarkston upbringing bring nothing to the table of the downtrodden?"

Oh contrair mon frair (as the would-be French say). I, like the 30 percent of students in grades six through 10, was affected by smackin' frackin' bullies. I can well remember being chased by groups of lads (some bigger and older) than me both in Redford Township and in Clarkston. What makes them memorable is what happened once I made it home, unscathed, in front of the gaggle of goons chasing me.

On two separate occasions, my dear ol' mom marched me back out to face them who-would-whoop-me. And face

them I did. One at a time until they were tired of "bullying" your hero (that would be me).

Call it hillbilly justice, redneck reckoning, lowbrow learning' or Shanty-Irish upbringing. Call it what you want, the idea wasn't for me to whoop the bully, or for the bully to whoop me. It wasn't about whooping at all. It was for me to stand up for myself -- to understand that there will ALWAYS be bullies in life and you cannot run from them.

You gotta face 'em.

Which is something lawmakers, school administrators and new-aged parents don't want to happen. Yep, I truly believe parents have abdicated their responsibilities to the schools, and in order to take on these responsibilities the schools have turned to Big Brother State to mandate more laws. More laws mean more training. More training means more state employees. More training and more state employees means spending more money.

It seems more parents don't want to give the hard lessons of life to their children, because, well, it's just too darned hard (and Junior might get mad). At schools, if a kid tries to defend himself against a gaggle of goons, he or she is punished along with the goons.

We are raising generations of people who will have no idea how to take care of themselves . . . they will turn to the

state for all the answers. And, the state will tell them what to think, how to live . . . and here's Don's far-out, science fiction prediction #137: Within the next 50 years the state will raise all children. Parents will have visitation times scheduled regularly.

Back to the anti-bullying bill making its way through Michigan. The problem with all the good intentions in state government is laws are written to be all-encompassing. On the internet, I clicked on a "sample" anti-bullying resolution the state has for school-districts to pass. It was seven pages long!

Sometimes I think law makers make things unclear so nobody really knows what the law means. I am a firm believer in "less is more." How about an anti-bullying resolution that is simple? Here is something I want my state representative to bring to the floor instead of the bill there now.

"Frightening, hurting, teasing, threatening, and/or harassing any person for any reason will not be tolerated. Fill in the blank for punishment."

Bottom line, bullying, by anyone -- and that should include our name-calling politicians and pundits -- is never acceptable. I really believe parents need to address this with their kids more than government.

**Don't
Rush Me**



**A column by
Don Rush**



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Public Safety

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

Drug arraignment

Jessica Keleman, 32, of Highland Township was arraigned on charges of drug possession and stolen property, Oct. 24. Deputies were investigating a series of home invasions when they tracked her down to a motel in the 2000 block of Dixie Highway, Sept. 30. They found a spoon with heroin on it, syringes, one filled with heroin, heroin kit, and several items matching those reportedly taken in home invasions, including jewelry, watches, clothes, silverware, and electronics. Pretrial was set for Nov. 8.

Drug sentencing

Megan Tompor, 34, of Pontiac pled guilty to drug possession, Oct. 24. She was arrested on Sept. 29 when an off-duty deputy noticed her vehicle, which was wanted in connection with breaking and enterings in Springfield Township. She was stopped at Pontiac Lake Road and M-59. She was found with syringes, spoons with heroin residue on them, and two pipes. Sentencing was set for Nov. 10.

Vehicle recognized

A black Avalanche turned south onto Dixie from Parview, when officer recognized the vehicle due to a previous drunk driving and license suspended arrest made two weeks prior. The deputy stopped him near Dixie Highway and Maybee Road and placed driver into custody, Oct. 26. The driver's license was suspended due to driver responsibility fees.

No license

Officers pulled over a driver in a white Chevy pick-up with a tail light out, Oct. 26. The driver indicated he did not have a license and was placed in back of patrol car. The passenger did not have identification. The driver was issued citation for driving without a license and defective equipment. Another driver with a valid license came to take the driver and passenger home.

Bond money scam

A woman received a call on Oct. 25 from a man crying and calling her grandma. Asking if it was her grandson by name, he answered yes, he was in trouble, and needed bond money. An older male, saying he was an officer, said the money needed to be sent to Madrid, Spain. She attempted to call both grandson and his parents but no one answered. She sent \$2,450 dollars to Madrid. After further thought, she decided to cancel payment. Western Union could not stop it because the money was picked up within 15 minutes. She later confirmed her grandson was not in trouble.

Minor in possession

While on patrol officers pulled a driver over on Sashabaw Road near Maybee for no tail lights, Oct. 27. The vehicle had four passengers. Officer observed an open bottle of hard apple cider in rear pocket of driver's seat. Driver said bottle was not his, eyes were glassy and bloodshot and he refused PBT. Passengers confirmed he was drinking. Driver was issued citation for under 21 and open intoxicants in motor vehicle and released him.

Unlocked takings

Someone took a purse from an unlocked minivan in the 5000 block of Bellshire Lane, Oct. 28.

A GPS was taken from a vehicle parked in the 6000 block of Ancroft Drive, Oct. 28. There were no signs of forced entry.

A messenger bag was taken from a vehicle parked unlocked in a driveway in the 6000 block of Ancroft Court, Oct. 29.

Golf clubs and clothes were taken from a vehicle parked in the 6000 block of Walters Road, Oct. 29. The door had been left ajar.

Someone went through an unlocked car parked in a driveway in the 6000 block of Walters Road, Oct. 29.

An Ipod was taken from an unlocked vehicle parked in a driveway in the 6000 block of Walden Road, Oct. 30.

A purse was taken from an unlocked vehicle parked on Fairway Drive, Oct. 30.

A laptop and golf clubs were taken from an unlocked car in the 6000 block of Mocking Bird Lane, Nov. 1. The car was in a garage, but the garage door had been left open.

Cigarettes and change were taken from a vehicle parked in the 5000 block of Heath Avenue, Nov. 1. There were no signs of forced entry.

Drag racing on Dixie

A deputy on patrol on Dixie Highway watched two vehicles speed by, side by side, 10:40 p.m., Oct. 28. He stopped them, finding one driven by a 40-year-old Clarkston woman and the other by an 18-year-old Waterford man. The man said it was a stupid thing to do. The woman denied they were racing. Both were cited for drag racing.

Hole in the window

A Deerhill Drive resident heard something hit his house, 11 p.m., Oct. 29. The next morning, he found a hole in the outer pane of a window, about an inch in diameter.

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Wolves fall at districts

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The gridiron gang gathered as the seniors hugged their coaches and teammates before leaving the field for the last time.

Clarkston's last home game for the season ended with a loss to Walled Lake Central 45-26 for the MHSAA District crown.

"You never want the season to end this way," said Wolves Boys Varsity Football Coach Kurt Richardson. "We thought we could make a longer run but it is what it is."

The Vikings scored on their first possession on a touchdown made by K.J. Schultz six minutes into the game. They built a 21-0 lead with 4:45 to go in the first half of the game.

Senior running back Joey Goss caught their kickoff and ran 36 yards before he was stopped at the 43-yard line. Senior quarterback Mitch Baenziger led the boys into Walled Lakes Central's turf as his run was stopped on the 46-yard line.

His handoff to Goss in the next play put the boys four yards closer to the endzone. For Baenziger's next move he connected a 31-yard pass to senior wide receiver Mike Schwartz.

Schwartz kept running with a defense player on his heels as he stepped into the endzone with 3:31 to go in the half, putting the score 21-6 after the PAT was missed.

The Vikings closed the half with a 35-yard

field goal made by Bryan Maxwell, 24-6.

"We just couldn't get any flow going," said Richardson. "Walled Lake didn't make any mistakes. They didn't turn the ball over. They outplayed us."

Baenziger and Schwartz teamed up again in the third quarter when Schwartz caught a 80-yard touchdown pass from Baenziger 8 seconds into the second half.

Clarkston struck two more times in the final quarter. Baenziger made a 24-yard run up the middle of the field and into the endzone with 7:16 left to go. A failed two-point conversion put the boys, 35-18.

The Wolves ended the game with one more touchdown with 1:45 remaining. Baenziger threw a 23-yard pass to Goss in the endzone. The boys scored on a two-point conversion made by senior C.J. Gozдор off a pass from Baenziger.

"It wasn't a matter of being surprised," said Richardson. "They kicked our butts every way possible. They were just more physical than us. Their quarterback is outstanding. Their offensive line is very good. They got off the ball and they gave us fits. Those kids deserve a lot of credit."

Clarkston finished the season 7-4 and 6-1 in the OAA Red, sharing the league title with Lake Orion.

Walled Lake Central continues against Utica Eisenhower for the MHSAA Regional title.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



From left, Michael Culver, Ian Brennan, Daniel Byrne, Austin Draving, Danny Billette, Sam Tanielian, Nick Moore, Adam Bruderick and Coach Mike Taylor, in front center. Photo provided

Big season finish

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The varsity runners finished in 14th place at the MHSAA Division 1 State Finals on Saturday at Michigan Internationals Speedway.

Junior Sam Tanielian finished in 12th place, with a time of 15:54.8 and was named All-State.

Senior Adam Bruderick was the second fastest runner for the team, 16:39.6; senior Michael Culver, third at 16:42.4; senior Daniel Byrne, fourth at 16:52.6; senior Ian Brennan fifth at 16:58.2; and junior Nick Moore, sixth at 17:03.3.

"It was a good season," said Mike Taylor, coach for the Clarkston Boys Cross Country team. "We had pretty good depth because we were 7-8 guys deep and at any time we had a few running good."

Taylor added the turning point for the team was in the middle of September when the boys won the Chesaning Invitational.

The boys followed it up with finishing first in their second OAA Jamboree, beating Lake Orion.

"It had been a turning point," Taylor said. "Until then I had been on them about what they needed to do as a team. It was the first time they sparked as a team and

realized we could be a good team. It was like they were just going through the motions and not really going at it 100 percent."

The boys next won the Hanson Invitational, Oct. 1 and fifth at the Oakland County meet, Oct. 8.

"The teams that beat us were teams ranked top ten in the state," Taylor added. "The guys thought 'whoa, we could be really good.' They trained better but they raced a lot better. Every time they were in a race they were more focused at running near each and running better times. They got more involved on checking on the internet on times of everyone else at the run."

They took second place at the OAA Championship on Oct. 20, finishing in the league in second. The Wolves followed it up by placing second at the MHSAA Regionals, Oct. 29.

Taylor added it was an unusual year for injuries and the reserves had to be prepared to be able to race.

"They are a real good group of guys," said Taylor. "I am really proud of what they did this year. We can look at the finals and say we are 14th in the state. It was a good performance."



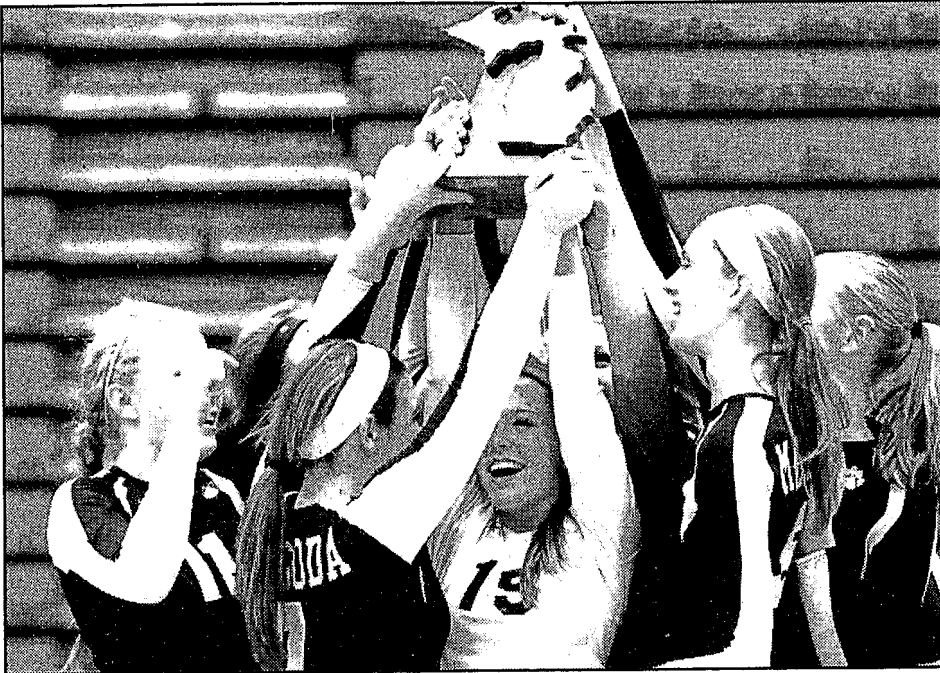
Adam Johns and Matt Dellinger lead the defensive line as they put a stop to Walled Lake Central's Drew Clayborn in last Friday's MHSAA District game. Photo by Larry Wright



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The Lady Wolves celebrate winning the MHSAA District title. Photo by Larry Wright

Queens of the district court

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Spikers claimed their fifth consecutive MHSAA District title after beating Fenton last Thursday, 3-1.

The Lady Tigers opened the night with a tight 26-24 win in the first game and Clarkston answered with winning the next three 25-19, 25-16, 25-19.

"They were stronger than what we had thought," senior Stephanie Marani said. "But once we realized that we were able to step up and fight back."

"I was proud of the way my girls fought back," said Clarkston Girls Varsity Volleyball Coach Kelly Avenall. "I honestly felt like Fenton played an outstanding match against us. They are an outstanding defensive team and I knew that going in. As we were watching the district develop I told the girls you to watch them. They don't have a lot of holes. You have to stay patient. The first game they played smart against us. We made a lot of errors the first game, too. A couple kids that are young are still feeling the pressure playing scared."

The Lady Wolves opened the next game behind Fenton but captured the lead off a hit from junior Kaley Konjarevich, 6-5. Fenton found their footing to pull ahead and both teams tied three times before positioned 19-19. Sophomore Katie Chadwell broke the tie putting the girls, 20-19. Marani furthered the lead with a tap over the net, 21-19, then killed it moments later for the 25-19 win.

Clarkston positioned themselves in the lead in the third game until Fenton worked their way up to take a three point lead, 11-8.

Konjarevich had three hits to bring the girls up to 14-12 and the momentum grew as the Lady Wolves furthered the distance until they won 25-16.

"We played better defense," Avenall added about the change between the first game and the next two. "A lot of hits we just weren't catching in the first game. Every ball that drops is a point for them. Every single ball matters."

Marani had 17 kills and six blocks in the game. Konjarevich had 15 kills. Maddie Lightfoot had 35 digs.

Clarkston beat Grand Blanc in round two in playoffs, 3-0 (25-10, 28-26, 25-17) to boost the girls overall record 52-5. Frakes had 32 assists, five aces and four blocks. Marani had 11 kills and seven blocks and Rachel Dickerson had 12 kills and five blocks.

"Brianna has really come into her own just this week in playoffs," Avenall noted. "As a sophomore setter making that many contacts on the ball it is a pretty scary position to be in. She made some really good decisions and she had a great game against Grand Blanc. I am impressed with what she is doing and she will only get better. She is helping us a lot."

The girls played the first round of MHSAA Regionals on Tuesday against Flushing.

"Fenton was a good match for us," added Avenall going into regionals playoffs. "I feel like if it was a match we swept in three and beat them 25-10 and 25-11 it wouldn't have helped us at all. We need a team to challenge us and Fenton challenged us."

"It helped us with what we need to work on," said Marani. "It will help us be better prepared for regionals."

The winner from Tuesday moves on to play Thursday in the championship game, 7 p.m.

Find out how Clarkston faired on Tuesday by checking the Wolfpack Update on www.ClarkstonNews.com or visiting *The Clarkston News* on Facebook..



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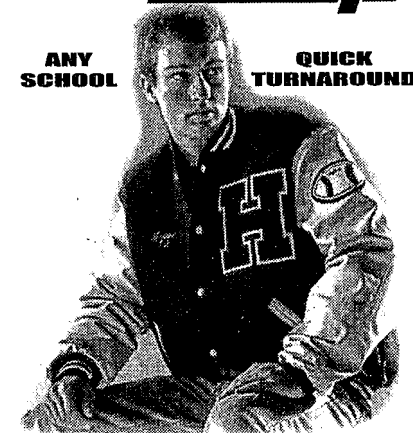
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Boys, girls cross country finish in state top 20

BY WENDIREARDON

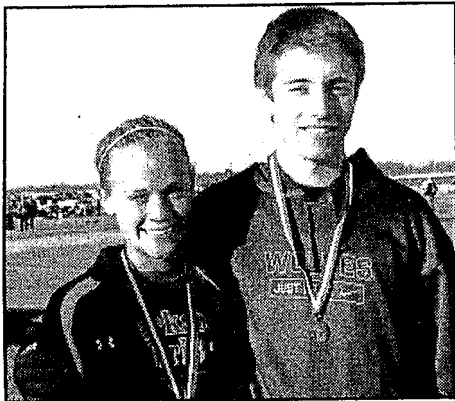
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Senior Natalie Smith and junior Sam Tanielian led their teams to finish in the top 20 in the state on Saturday afternoon at Michigan International Speedway.

The Boys Varsity Cross Country finished in 14th place at the MHSAA Division 1 State Finals while the girls team took 16th place.

"I was pleased," said Clarkston Boys Cross Country Coach Mike Taylor. "We thought we would be between 10 and 15 and we were 14th."

"They did excellent," added Kevin Breen,



All-state Natalie Smith and Sam Tanielian

coach for the Girls Cross Country team. "It was an excellent performance for our varsity runners. They ran a really smart race. We were ranked 21st going into it after looking at all the results and ranked us out against all the other teams. We ended up exceeding those expectations and taking 16th."

Both Smith and Tanielian took All-State honors after finishing in the top 30. Tanielian finished in 12th place, 15:54.8; as Smith took 13th place, 18:35.3.

"Natalie really raised the bar," added Breen. "She stepped it up to make All-State."

The Lady Wolves had five runners finish in under 20 minutes and the top six ran their personal record times for the season.

Junior Erin Billette finished as the second fastest runner for the team, 19:47.5; junior Kaitlin Catania, third at 19:52.4; freshman Lysie Gram, fourth at 19:52.8; sophomore Kylie Knavish, fifth at 19:57.4; sophomore Sage Beauregard, sixth at 20:02.1. Junior Molly Jeffers finished at 21:37.5, seventh for the team.

"Everyone really stepped it up," said Breen. "They ended up dropping time. A part of it is the hype of the race. Once you get there it is knowing what to do when you get there. They ran smart in the first mile comfortably and efficiently. We passed a lot of



The Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country teams at finals. Photos provided

the girls in the second mile. If you put it all out there you never know what will happen."

Five runners from the boys team finished with their personal times for the season.

Senior Adam Bruderick was the second fastest runner for the team, 16:39.6; senior Michael Culver, third at 16:42.4; senior Daniel Byrne, fourth at 16:52.6; senior Ian Brennan fifth at 16:58.2; and junior Nick Moore, sixth at 17:03.3.

The program loses Smith, Bruderick, Cul-

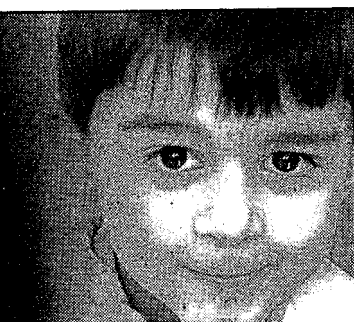
ver, Byrne and Brennan.

"I really attribute a lot to Natalie and the other girls for what we did this season and my development as a coach," said Breen. "Next year is looking very promising (with returners and new runners.)"

"The seniors have been together since seventh grade," said Taylor. "They are the heart and core of the team. A lot of the younger guys look up to them and they are good athletes."

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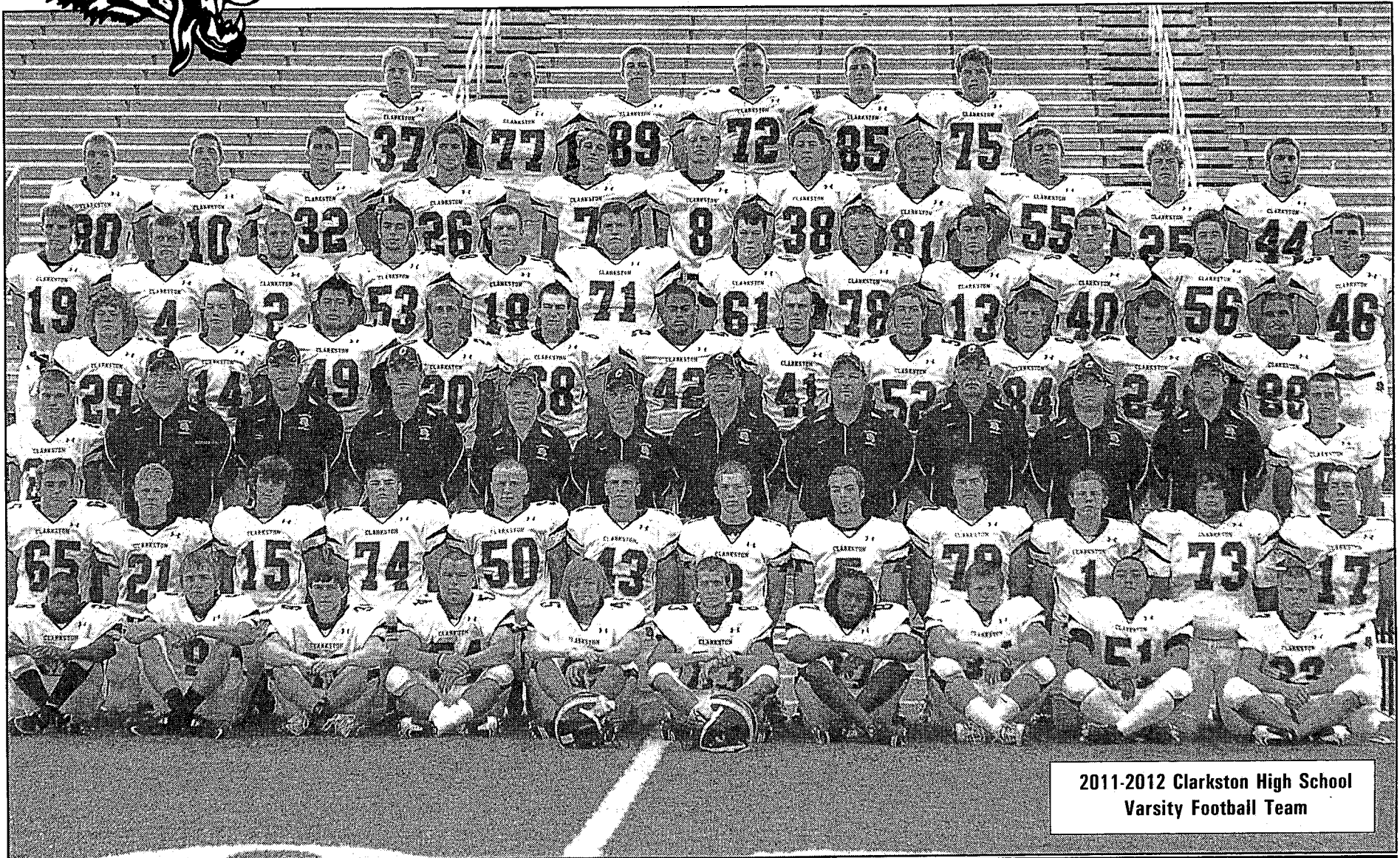
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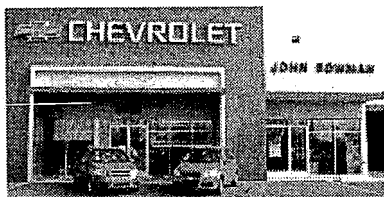
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Brent Wirth, Easter Seals Michigan president and CEO, presents Lukas Fallot with his 2012 Child Ambassador certificate as his parents, Melissa and John, and older brother Caden look on. Photo provided

Lukas named Easter Seals child ambassador

Lukas Fallot of Clarkston was recently named Easter Seals Michigan's 2012 Child Ambassador.

Lukas was diagnosed at age 3 with mild autism with hyperlexic features, a fascination with printed words and letters.

His mother, Melissa Rohn, sought developmental therapy services for him with Easter Seals Michigan.

Fallot's responsibilities as Easter Seals' 2012 Child Ambassador includes assisting with the agency's car and cash raffles, serving as a successful role model of how people with disabilities can achieve their desired goals, and other events.

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Wagner 'shocked'

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nothing," Petterson said. "When you're done working after your terms are done you get nothing. That's the way the world works."

Trustee Larry Rosso said he was focused on "Wagner and his circumstances."

"I think he should at least be worthy of the courtesy of being given that option to leave if he so desires," Rosso said.

Clerk Barbara Pallotta also lent her support because she wanted to know where Wagner stood.

"If it means that Mr. Wagner will resign and we can get somebody on board with us to assist us through this process, I'm all about that," she said. "If he declines this, then we'll know."

Trustee David Lohmeier also supported the motion, but with "struggle" because he previously asked Wagner to resign simply because he thought "the job he is doing is probably not near what people expected when they elected him."

"I don't disagree with the premise," Lohmeier said. "I understand this is based on responding to something he has in a roundabout way asked for, but the fact we're trying to deal with a benefit that never should have been part of the decisions is personally frustrating to me."

Resident Bart Clark felt an option for Wagner was needed.

"I think the best deal you can is to allow Mr. Wagner the option of receiving benefits and resigning or let him stay on as a non-employee employee," Clark said.

Jim Reed said the board was "between a rock and a hard place."

"Although I don't like the idea, Mr. Wallace's proposal gets you off dead center and lets the township move forward," he said. "I think it's a terribly messy situation, but maybe that's the best way out."

Carson asked Township Attorney Steve Joppich if asking Wagner to "permanently retire" was legal. Joppich said he hadn't researched it, but he felt it was.

Wagner who's been out on disability the last seven months received a letter of the proposal on Nov. 3. He told the *Clarkston News* he was "shocked." He has until Dec. 1 to give an answer.

"I'll probably have them an answer in a week or so," Wagner said. "I just don't know what it's going to be, I haven't even had a chance to digest it."

As far as his health, he is waiting on results from recent biopsies.



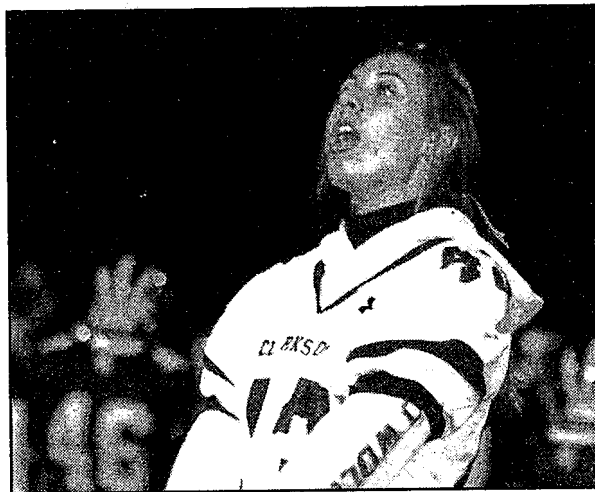
Rachel Henderson shows her support for defense during the first quarter of Friday's game.

Support to the end

Clarkston Wolves had lots of support from cheerleaders and fans as they went into the post-season tournament, making it to the district level.

They fell to Walled Lake Central, but the community still loves them!

Photos by Wendi Reardon



Kathryn Buckbee enthusiastically keeps fans revved during the second half.



Fans fill the stands to support their Wolves.



New president for Optimists

Outgoing Clarkston Area Optimist Club President Jeff Reed, left, congratulates Mark Schroeder, incoming president for 2012. During 2011, the club received a \$40,000 grant which they used to help keep Deer Lake Beach open, summer reading program for students, Friendly Forest, and Fourth of July parade. Photo provided

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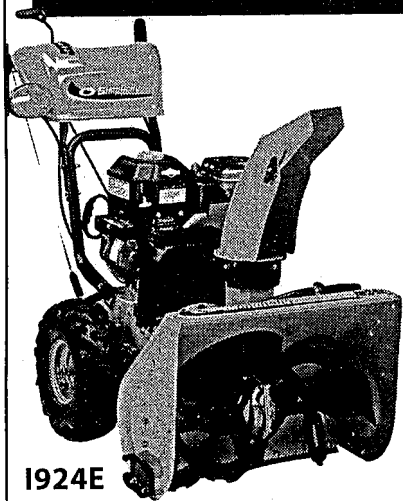
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Road demo

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Dealers, and members of the media, braved Goodyear's high-speed obstacle course at the DTE Energy Music Theatre parking lot, testing out their TripleTred All-Season and ComforTred Touring tires.

The All-Season tire was put to the test in a hosed down course in which the driver was instructed to hydroplane the vehicle in a tight, high-speed turn.

"The grooves channel away water for better road contact," Chandler said. "It's an amazing tire."

It's also designed to grab ice in winter and provides continued traction even when it wears down, she said.

The tour traveled around the country, ending with the Clarkston visit, Oct. 25-26.



Sarah Chandler points out some advanced tire features. Photos by Trevor Keiser

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Compromise sought for 90 N. Main

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Hearing Curt Catalo rejected the city planners' recommendation for water access at 90 N. Main, Councilman Richard Bisio came up with something new.

"I think it is important that we take into consideration the desires of the potential purchaser of this property, who I think everyone agrees would make a good use of the property," Bisio said.

Catalo's objections include hours of usage and requirement that anyone using the lake must be accompanied by the owner or employees.

Bisio said his version simplifies it.

"Impact on the lake by a non-residential user would be no greater than what a single family residence would have on the lake," he said.

Gerald Fisher, spokesman for many lake residents, said Bisio's approach ignores history and precedent.

"This village has always given the highest priority to protecting the residential neighborhoods that have actually created the neighborhood and created the unique desirability of this town," Fisher said. "This ordinance is the beginning of a slippery slope that is going in the wrong direction."

Longtime Lake resident Gary Casey agreed.

"If you say that anybody associated with the business can use the lake at any time, that's way

past any kind of private use that's ever gone on," he said.

Councilman Steve Hargis said he "sees the passion on both sides."

"We have what looks like a really good solution here and we're hung up over this stupid lake access," he said.



Jerry Fisher

Councilman Jim Brueck feels everyone is "fundamentally in agreement."

"I think the whole point is a limited control access," he said.

He also agreed, as one resident suggested, all parties should sit down and come to a resolution that makes sense for everyone prior to the next council meeting.

Resident David Beihl agreed.

"Let the negotiations keep moving," he said.

"It's hard for me in my experience to be hearing anything other than negotiation."

Councilman Thomas Hunter doesn't want to "miss the opportunity for this property to be sold to a good use to Mr. Catalo."

Mayor Joe Luginski agreed getting the "right people" to sit down is a good idea.

"All we can do is ask and I'll be willing to ask the question," Luginski said.

The next council meeting is Nov. 21 at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Ode to the Toad

As I was closing my vegetable garden for the winter, I unearthed a few toads while weeding. I was happy to see them, plump and healthy in my garden. But what on earth were they doing there when there are acres and acres of wetlands surrounding my property? I must provide the environment that is attractive to toads.

I use sustainable and organic methods to grow my vegetables. That is to say, I don't use chemicals. Last year, I had powdery mildew on my summer squash plants. I chose to pull and destroy the plants rather than use chemicals. No worries though since I got my fill of zucchini from friends' gardens. I have not had any issues with squash bugs or potato beetles. I'm thinking the toads have taken care of those pests. In fact, toads will eat thousands of crop-damaging insects from your vegetable and flower garden each summer.

Since toads (and frogs) breathe and drink through their skin, they need clean air and water. Since I do not use pesticides, herbicides, or insecticides, I provide the clean air the toads need. Our sprinkler system pro-

vides the necessary water since I do not have a pond near the vegetable garden.

Toads also need a cool, shady place to stay. I did not weed very much this summer, so I am embarrassed to say that I had tall weeds growing

Home grown



Mary Pellerito

along side the vegetable plants. I think the weeds and the vegetable leaves provided the cool shade the toads needed. Since weeds are not all that attractive, I will supply a few toad houses in the garden come

Spring. I will simply take stones or bricks and make a three-sided house. The house will not have a bottom so the toads can burrow into the soil. I will then set a pot for a container garden on top of the toad house. This method will provide height and color to the vegetable garden and a cool spot for the toads.

Mary Pellerito is a garden writer living in Brandon Township.

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I remember a new reporter for the Clarkston News wrote a column that he was now officially a member of Clarkston because he had been sewn up by my father. This story beautifully sums up the reputation my father has built over the years and is a testament to the number of people's lives he has touched. It reminds me of when my friend had her purse stolen while I was attending medical school in Arizona. We had to call the police to make a report and after all the paper work was finished I got to talking with the police officer that had responded. He found out I was from Clarkston and said he had grown up in Waterford. After looking at my name he asked if I was related to Dr. O'Neill. When I said I was his son he proudly showed me a scar on his forearm that my father had sewn up 15 yrs before. Thank you for a great story Kandi.

~ Dr. Timothy O'Neill

I read your request for a story about Dr. O'Neill. My family has been seeing him since we moved to Clarkston in '86. My story is short, but true.

Last year I needed to see him for bronchitis. I called the 800 information line to get his phone number since CMG moved. Anyone who calls information knows you are asked the name/city/state for whom you are calling about. When I did call, I said Dr. James O'Neill and was immediately given his old number. I asked the operator why she did not ask me about the city/state information since I would think it is a

common name even in the United States for doctors. Her reply was that Dr. James O'Neill is one of the most requested doctor numbers that they have in the United States. All of the operators know the name and they receive calls asking for his number on a daily basis. That means he must be a great doctor. I said he is and one of the most established in Michigan. Everybody loves him. I thanked her for that tid bit and went down to see him. I figured it like this; if you are hungry and want to eat out at a restaurant, you go to one where the parking lot is full. That tells you the food is great there. Well same situation here. You want to

see a doctor who will know what he is doing. Even if I have to wait an hour to see him, it is time well spent because I am seeing one of the best along with everyone else.... Correct? He is a cornerstone to this community and I consider him to be a friend to all here in Clarkston. He loves to lecture you, but does so with true concern. If he ever retires I know he will be sadly missed.

Congrats doc on 50 years and may you have many, many, many more!

Kandi Tripi/ O'Rourke

COMMUNITY HEALTH WATCH

How do you know if you have the flu?

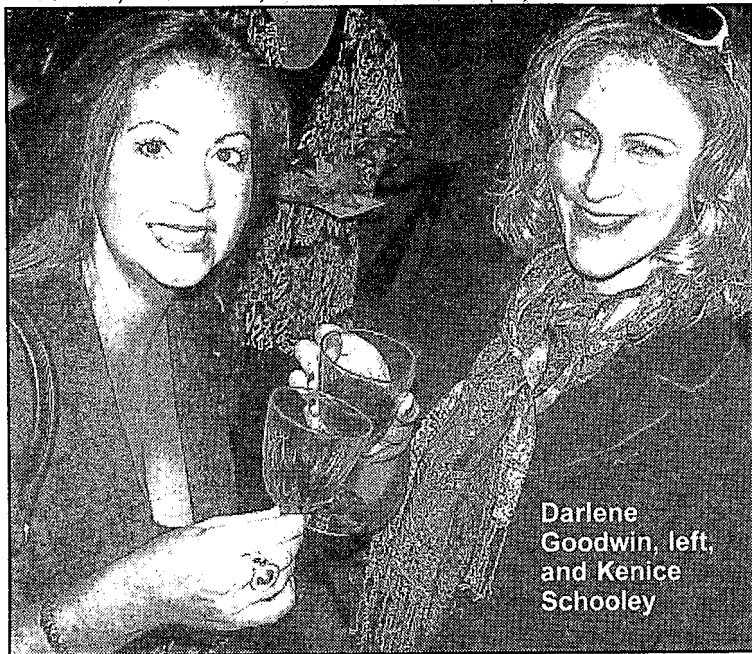
Unlike symptoms of a common cold, flu symptoms usually come on suddenly. It often starts with the abrupt onset of fever, headache, fatigue, and body aches. Here's a list of flu symptoms you might feel: fever (usually high), severe aches and pains in the joints and muscles and around the eyes, generalized weakness, ill appearance with warm, flushed skin and red watery eyes, headache, dry cough, sore throat and watery discharge from your nose. Seasonal influenza is not usually associated with gastrointestinal symptoms like diarrhea and vomiting. Prepare for flu season by getting your shot as soon as possible. They are available by walk-in in both our primary and urgent care centers.

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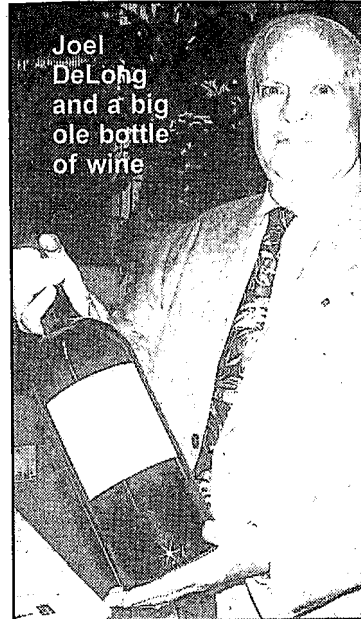
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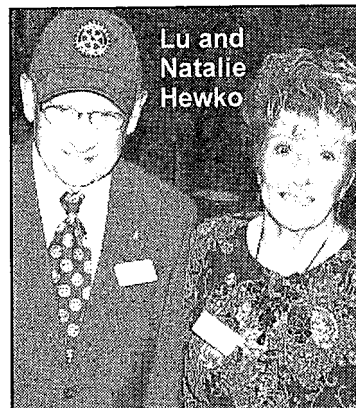


Mary Simone pours Mike Turk "Something Sweet."

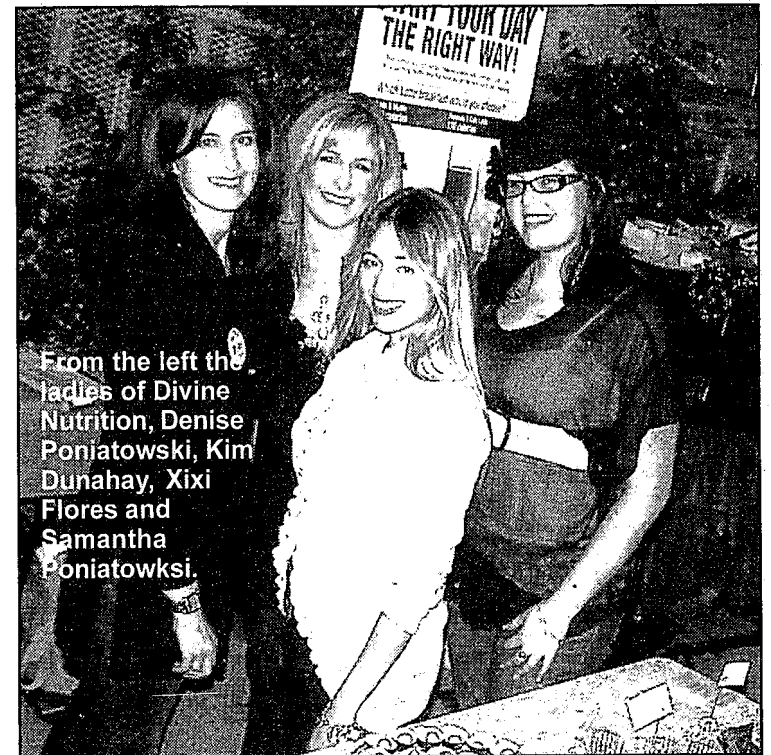
Wine and Dine

Clarkston Rotary Club's 2011 Fall Wine Tasting Fundraiser saw over 550 people attend, last Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Bordine's Nursery. Here are a few of them!

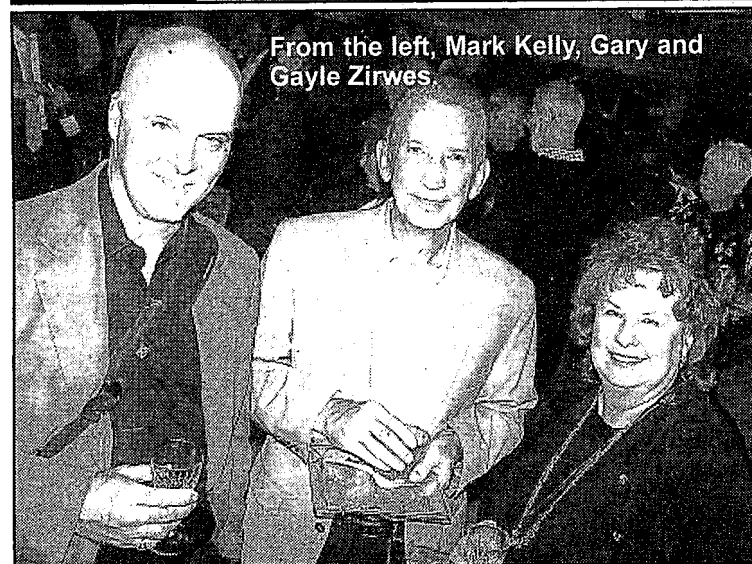
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Lu and Natalie Hewko



From the left the ladies of Divine Nutrition, Denise Poniatowski, Kim Dunahay, Xixi Flores and Samantha Poniatowski.



From the left, Mark Kelly, Gary and Gayle Zirwes.



Ladies having fun, from the left, Anne, Jane Conner and Jennifer Zurbrick



Ladies having fun, part 2: The Davisburg Connection. From the left, Jaclyn Cirino, Julie Borruso and Kathy VanGilder

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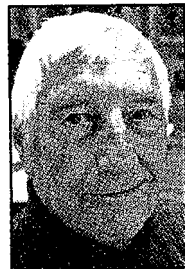
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By Trevor Keiser

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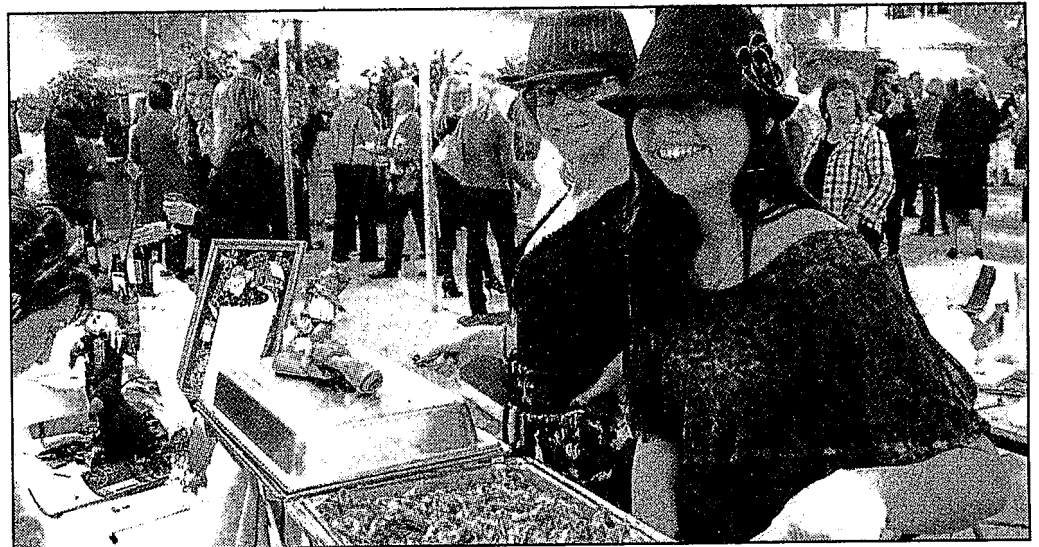
From left, Amanda Carlson, Jan Reynolds, Jamie Carlson, Jen Kutler, Sandy Barber, and Kristin Nouhan enjoy the event.

Holiday taste with Rotary

Whether it was the wine, food, or just socializing, everyone seemed to enjoy Clarkston Rotary Club's fall wine tasting event "A Taste For The Holidays" at Bordine's Nursery.

The event included wines from around the world and foods from local restaurants, as well as silent auction tables.

Attendance was 550 and \$20,000 was raised. Ten percent of all sales were donated to Clarkston Rotary for its many local and international projects.



Laura May, left, and Vicky Saarela serve some tasty pasta from Via Bologna.

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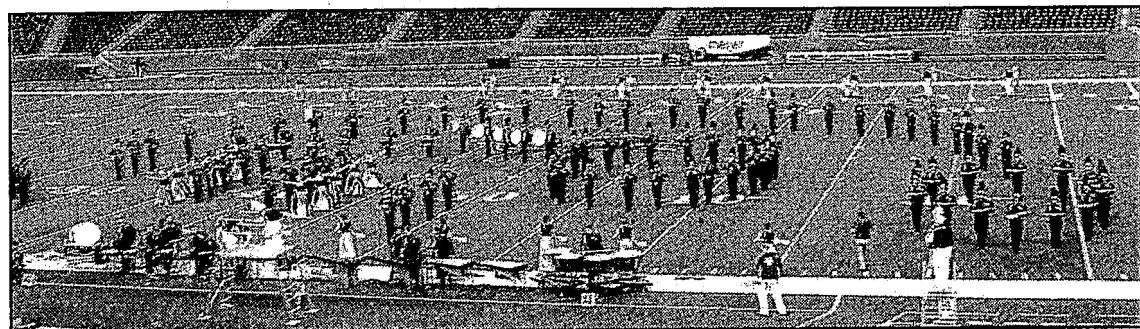


Morgan Cokerham uses color and movement with the color guard to enhance the music experience. Photos by Wendi Reardon

One final note

The Clarkston High School Marching Band finished their season on Saturday at the Michigan Competing Band Association State

Finals. The students performed in Flight 1 and finished in 12th place with their final score 77.57 at Ford Field. March on, Wolves!



The band in formation at Ford Field for the State Finals. Photo provided by Mark Kelly

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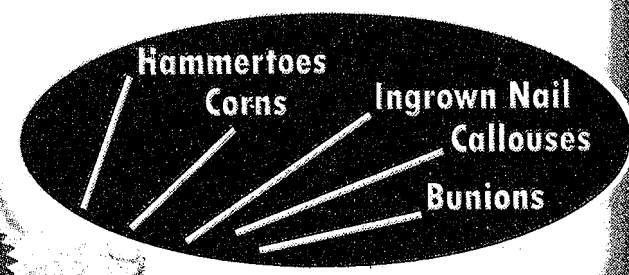
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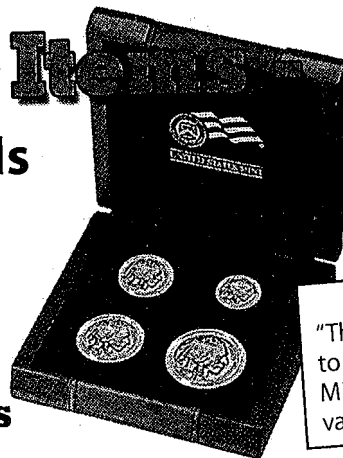
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Jesus was a trouble maker. He questioned authority and challenged the status quo.

He worked on the Sabbath: picking grain (Mt. 12:1) and healing the man born blind (Jn. 9:14), offenses that were punished by death under Old Testament Law (Ex.30:15).

He challenged the authorities. He called them vipers (Mt.3:7), hypocrites (Mt.23:13) and accused them of being liars and offspring of the Devil (Jn.8:44.)

He challenged their scriptural teachings (Mt. 16:12) and evidenced their failure to follow the great commandment (Mt.22:37-39) in the story of the Good Samaritan (Lk.10:29-37.) Etc., etc., etc.

The current Occupy Movement is questioning authority and chal-

lenging the status quo.

You may support their cause or be merely sympathetic to their issues or be repulsed by their actions and think they should be thrown in jail; we have to acknowledge that there is an incredible level of discontent with business as usual.

The Tea Party is based upon the same energy with a different agenda.

As I listened to two of the current Occupy Movement organizers being interviewed on NPR the other day, three words stuck out for me: conscience, conversation and culture.

They are asking that corporations, business owners, politicians, everyone have a conscience and do what is for the highest good of all. This seems reasonable to me, a "do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Mt.7:12) mentality.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Matthew Long

The current economic system can be likened to a game of musical chairs; there seem to be fewer and fewer chairs while more and more people want to play.

Wall Street, the President, Congress; none of that can or will solve our problems. We the people have to engage the conversation; we have to initiate the discussion of the solutions that really work. Jesus didn't blame the man who was robbed; he praised the Samaritan who helped him get back on his feet.

Capitalism has proven to be the most successful economic system for innovation and development.

And, the rich are getting richer while the poor are getting poorer. Our culture doesn't seem to be able to distinguish the benefits of giving people a hand-up from a hand-out. Education, training, assistance are necessary to lift the lower class of income earners up. Lack of jobs causes people to resort to theft to feed their families and the downward cycle accelerates. People need meaningful work.

Family Systems Theory teaches that individuals cannot be under-

stood in isolation. The problem child is a symptom of a dysfunctional family system. It is only when we address the dysfunctional system that true healing can occur. Whether we are talking about a family, a body, or society, true healing requires a shift in how we view the system and how we relate within the system.

What is emerging is a new paradigm; this is the shift. Jesus ushered in a new awareness of our relationship with the infinite, unlimited, eternal existence that is God. Today, we are being called upon to increase our awareness, to awaken to the dysfunction, acknowledge that the system doesn't work for all, accept our part in perpetuating a dysfunctional system, be alert to the opportunities to foster positive change, ask for Divine guidance and act upon that guidance in ways that truly benefit all.

You are God's beloved in whom he is well pleased (Mt.3:17, Lk.2:14.)

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Matthew E. Long is senior minister at Peace Unity Church & Holistic Center.

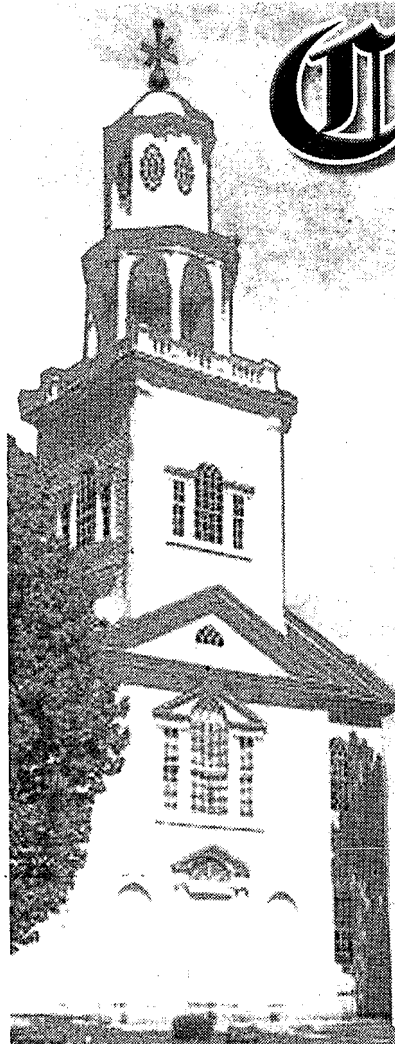
In our churches...

Organ concert with Jeffrey Walker, featuring music of Bach, Pachelbel, Preston, Sowerby and more, 3 p.m., Nov. 6, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Free will offering. Reception follows. 248-625-1611 ext. 229.

Women's Bible Study, 11-week study using Beth Moore's "Breaking Free: The Journey, The Stories," 9:15-11:30 a.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Child care provided. Register at 248-625-1611.

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, 248-628-6825.

DC4K, DivorceCare for Kids, ages 5-12, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30
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Church Directory

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From left with scissors, Megan Wilson, Chasi Fox, Heather Kaz, Danielle Ball, Michelle Phaup, and Jessica Nordstrom celebrate the Believe Salon & Spa ribbon cutting with family, friends, and fellow businessowners, Oct. 18. Call Believe Salon & Spa, 5710 Bella Rose Blvd., Ste. 300, at 248-625-3247. Photo provided



From left with scissors, owners Buck and Joan Kopietz celebrate Silver Kiss Jewelry Boutique's ribbon cutting with Art Holdsworth, director of facilities management for Oakland County, on behalf of County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, State Representative Eileen Kowall and Peg Roth, Clarkston City Council; Jerry Kirschner, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce ambassador, at left, and family and friends, Oct. 21. Call Silver Kiss, 64 S. Main Street, at 248-625-2511. Photo provided



From left, Jamie Pierce, physical therapist; Karen Desmet, manager, Fitness Quest; Dana Martin, director of operations, Fitness Quest; Kara Lukens, Steve Lukens, co-owner, Health Quest Physical Therapy/Fitness Quest; George Carson, physical therapist; Stuart Siegner, co-owner, Health Quest Physical Therapy/Fitness Quest; Matthew Gibb, deputy director for economic development, Oakland County; Eileen Kowall, state representative, and family and friends celebrate Heath Quest's ribbon cutting, Oct. 21. Call HealthQuest, 32 South Main Street, at 248-795-5851. Photo provided

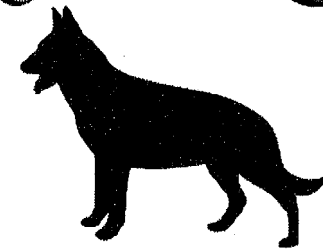
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GOOD LUCK



Obituaries

Tabitha Grace Boling

Tabitha Grace Boling of Waterford passed away unexpectedly, Oct. 30, 2011, at 6 months of age.

She was born April 10, 2011, in Pontiac, the beloved daughter of Daniel and Rachel Boling; baby sister of Emily; granddaughter of David and Janeen Lambert, Philip and Vickie Boling; great granddaughter of Beth Lambert, Marcia Boling, Benjamin Homer, Donald and Jackie Pack; niece of David (Sally) Lambert, Peter (Mindee) Boling, John Lambert, Jeanie Lambert, Peter (Cora) Lambert, Devin (Amy) Rose, Jeff (Michelle) Collett, Michael (Pam) Lambert and Enoch Lambert; also survived by many loving cousins. She will be greatly missed by all.

Funeral service was Nov. 5 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.winfuneralhome.com.

Bryan K. Duncan, 41

Bryan K. Duncan of Pontiac passed away due to an unexpected illness, Nov. 1, 2011, at 41 years of age.

He was the loving son of Gene and Betty Duncan; grandson of Alma and the late Gene Duncan and Amanda and the late Earl Harris; also survived by daughter Jennifer, aunts, uncles and cousins.



A 1988 graduate of Clarkston High School, Bryan had some unfortunate set backs in his life but he was looking ahead and looking forward to letting his life shine for God at Walton Boulevard Worship Center in Pontiac.

Funeral service was Nov. 7 at **Coats Funeral Home**, Waterford. Interment at Perry Mt. Park Cemetery, Pontiac. To send a private condolence, go to www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/Obituaries.

Frederick Neumark, 69

Frederick A. Neumark, age 69, died Nov. 3, 2011. He was the beloved husband of Linda Reiter-Neumark for 32 years.

As a criminal law attorney, Mr. Neumark was on the Criminal Law Committee for Oakland County and mentored many new attorneys. Fred was a board member of Common Ground and past president of the Sanctuary. He was elected to the Michigan State Representative Assembly for 12 years and was on the Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals on the Economic Development Commission. A supporter of Great Lakes Folk Festival, he was also a past president of the Troy Kiwanis Club.

The family suggests those who wish to honor the memory of Fred may contribute to Common Ground in Bloomfield Hills, www.commongroundhelps.org.

Richard Roteman, 77

Richard F. Roteman, "Dick," of Clarkston went to be with the Lord, Oct. 31, 2011, at age 77.

He was preceded in death by his wife Erma. He was the loving father of Richard (Barbara) Roteman, Jenae (Ron) Smith, Troy Roteman, Greg (Terri) Louckes and Pamela (Mike) Bays; grandfather of 11 and great grandfather of 11; brother of Paul (Beverly) Roteman and Marjorie Marks.

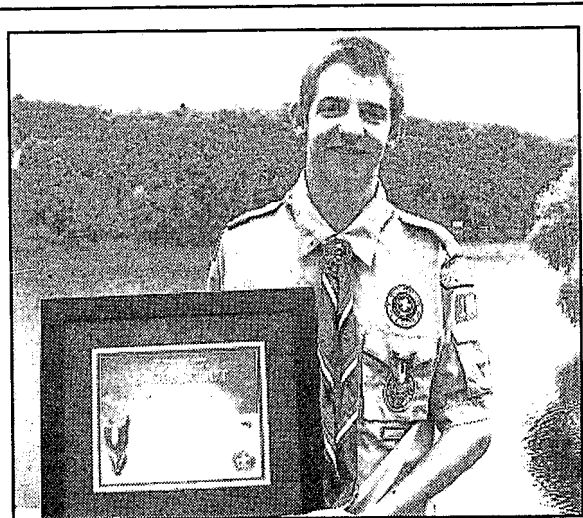
Visitation was Nov. 3 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Service was Nov. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Clarkston. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church of Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Micheal D. McKinney, 65

Micheal D. McKinney, "Mickey," of West Bloomfield passed away unexpectedly, Nov. 6, 2011, at age 65.

He was the loving husband of Darlene; beloved father of Denise (Steve) McKinney; dear son of Gloria Driver and the late William McKinney. Mickey retired from General Motors.

Funeral Service, Friday, 12:30 p.m., at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, where friends may visit Wednesday, 6-9 p.m., and Thursday, 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Interment Dryden Center Cemetery. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Matthew Dahl, with his Eagle award.

Eagle rebuilds park tables

Matthew Dahl of Clarkston, Boy Scout Troop 189, earned the rank of Eagle Scout with a project to build and repair picnic tables at Pontiac Lake State Park.

Dahl and other scouts spent 176 hours in planning and completing the project. They constructed 20 new tables, including material preparation, assembly, and sealing, along with four new birdhouses.

In addition to various leadership and service projects, he served his troop as assistant senior patrol leader, senior patrol leader, patrol leader and historian. Scout trips included Isle Royale National Park and Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.

Dahl is 15 and a sophomore at Clarkston High School, a 4.0 student, and a member of the varsity tennis team. He also plays the piano and the saxophone. He would like to major in Engineering and minor in Music at the University of Michigan. His proud parents are Mike and Katie Dahl. He has two older brothers Paul and Nick, who are both also Eagle Scouts.

Matthew was awarded the Eagle rank, the highest in scouting, on Sept. 25 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston.



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Boyd and Gail

Clarkston couple celebrates 50 years

Boyd and Gail Ferguson of Clarkston celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

The former Miss Graham and Mr. Ferguson were united in marriage at the Baldwin Avenue Evangelical Church in Pontiac on Nov. 4, 1961.

Boyd retired from the Flint Automotive Division (Buick) and Gail retired from Oakland Automotive Supply in Pontiac.

They are members of the Community Presbyterian Church in Waterford.

Their daughter, Melissa, with husband Jeff, live in Waterford. Their son Jeff, with wife Renee, live in Spring Lake, Mich. Grandchildren are Jacqueline and Alexander.



Karen and Ken

Celebrating 25 years of marriage

Ken and Karen Koviak, longtime Clarkston residents, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Ken and Karen were married on Sept. 27, 1986, at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church in Madison Heights. They have two children, Scott and Kathleen, who are both students at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.

Karen is a University of Michigan alumna and was in the Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Ken graduated from Lawrence Technological University with a bachelor's degree in business administration. They enjoy attending U-M football games with their children.

Karen is an advertising representative for *The Citizen*.

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Blessed to be a Blessing Calvary Lutheran Church 50th Anniversary Worship and Celebration, 10 a.m., Nov. 13, Clarkston Junior High School, 6595 Waldon Road. Worship followed by brunch and family festivities.

Fund raiser for Lakeland Arena Panthers Pee Wee Hockey Team, 5-8 p.m., Nov. 15, Pete's Coney II, 6160 Dixie Highway. Players serve drinks, bus tables, all tips donated to the team. 248-623-4300.

Annual Holiday Auction, 7 p.m. Nov. 16, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Homemade crafts, baked goods, gift baskets, specialty and unique gift items. Proceeds support library, youth assistance, Rotary Shoes for Kids, scholarship programs.

Fund Raising Auction, Clarkston Community Women's Club, 7 p.m., Nov. 16, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Refreshments served. All welcome. 248-625-1326.

Back to Basics seminar, 6:30-9 p.m., Nov. 17, Foundational Wellness Center, 3676 Clarkston Road. Free. Speakers: Dawn Fleetwood, herbalist, iridologist, and energy artist, and Mark Lemon, alchemical energy healer. 810-953-9500.

Health, Wealth, Life to the Fullest Series, 4-6 p.m., Nov. 20: Economic & Investment Out-

Around Town

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

look Update; Dec. 11: Heart to Heart: As Your Parents Age. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

Alternative Christmas Gift Fair, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Dec 3-4, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Unique, beautiful handcrafted items created by artisans from around the world, Christmas cookies from scratch.

Greens Market, Clarkston Garden Club, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 3, Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. Fresh, Michigan mixed-green wreaths and roping, tabletop arrangements, small gift selections. Pre-ordering available until Nov. 15 at www.clarkstongardenclub.org. 248-605-5524.

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.

Monday

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.

Afternoon Line Dancing, Mondays, 1-4 p.m. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. \$3. Drop In.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Tuesday

Pickleball, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., 5449 Clarkston Road, \$3, drop in, all levels welcome; Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4, drop in. First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road.

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

Breast Cancer Support Group, second 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.

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., 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.


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

Adult Acting Classes, Clarkston Village Players, for new and established actors. Those under 18 need parents' permission and approval of the facilitator. Section 1: Tuesdays, Nov 1-Dec 13, 6-9 p.m.; Section 2: Tuesdays, Jan 3-Feb 14, 6-9 p.m. Call Bob Gerics, 248-891-9279.

Wednesday

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

Basic Yoga with Noreen Daly, 5:45 p.m., Wednesdays. Beginning and intermediate asanas (postures). Bring practice mat or towel. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. Please see Around Town on page 30A



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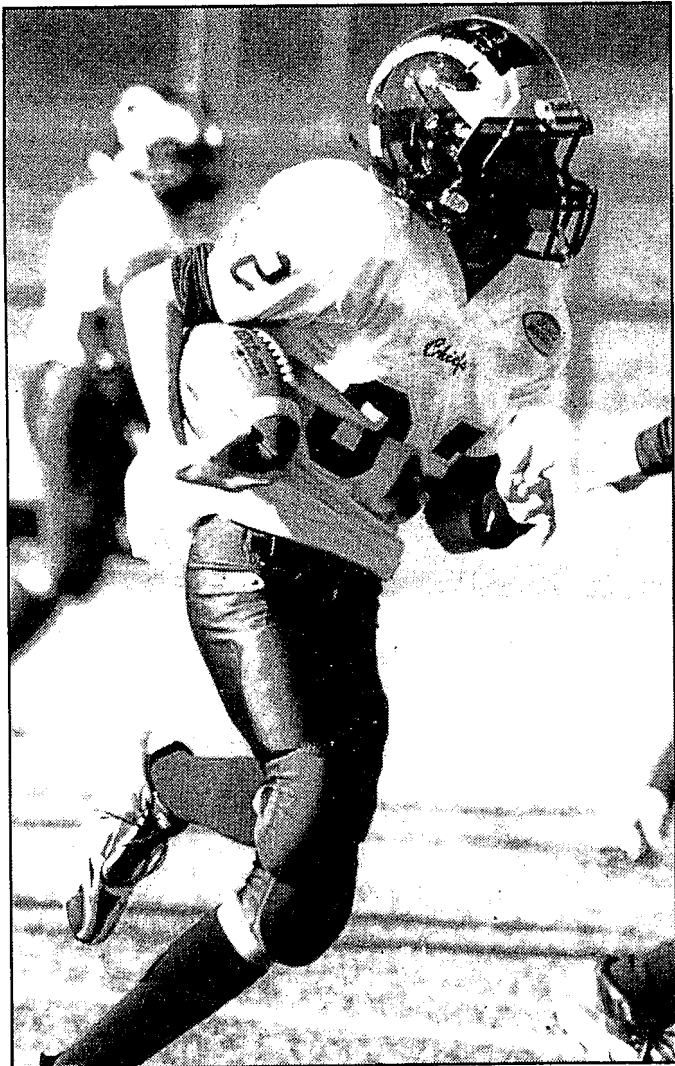
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Michael Fluefel makes a run towards JV Chiefs White territory. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Clarkston Chiefs JV White team wins the NYFL Superbowl VII.



JV White celebrates their first touchdown.



The teams face off in the first half of the game.

All Chiefs at Superbowl

For the first time, Clarkston Chiefs JV White and Gold teams faced off against each other in the Northern Youth Football League's Superbowl.

Both team scored 14 points by the time the clock ran down, Saturday, putting them into overtime.

JV White's Nick Kornis passed the ball to Noah Nicklin for the touchdown, 20-14.

The boys tried for a two-point conversion but was intercepted by the JV Gold team.

JV White defeated Oxford Blue on Oct. 30 to become the American Division Champion. JV Gold finished as National Division champs after a win over Davison, Oct. 30.

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Latest in hair replacement at Mr. G's

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

For Clarkston grad Chris Loridas, one day changed the rest of his life.

"It completely changed my look – I felt 10 years younger," said Loridas, a client of Mr. G's Hair Care Center, 5874 Dixie Highway. "The finished result is unbelievable."

He underwent hair replacement treatment at Mr. G's in May 2010. His procedure included moving 1-3 hairs at a time from donor area to scalp.

He went from total hair loss on top of his head to a full head of hair, with more growing in.

Hair transplants have had many advances over the past 20 years, said Mr. G's owner Richard Ayers.

"All cosmetic procedures have improved 100 percent, hair transplant most of all," Ayers said. "It's less invasive, hair grows more quickly and looks much more natural. Hair transplant used to take 7-8 sessions, and today, it can be done in one session."

Hair starts to grow about three months after surgery, then continues to grow.

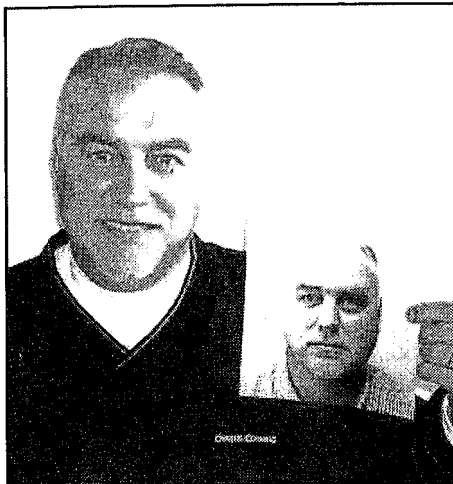
"It's new growth, and comes in relatively quickly, about half an inch per month," Ayers said. "Years ago, it didn't look as good. Now, you have a very natural look."

"It's fantastic to have hair," Loridas said.

Mr. G's has performed hundreds of procedures for men and women in the area over the past decades.

"If there's an issue, we're right here – our reputation is very good," Ayers said.

Hair transplant is 80 percent art, 20 per-



Chris Loridas is happy with his hair-replacement results at Mr. G's.

cent surgery, he said.

"We draw the hair line that will be with you until the day you die," Ayers said. "We look at the individual not just as he or she looks today, but what they will look like at 30, 40, 50 years old. It will last a lifetime so it's important to be happy with it. I always insist the work done is the best it can be."

The process starts with a free, confidential consultation in the Clarkston office.

"It's mostly for education so there are no surprises," Ayers said. "We make sure the client understands what happens at every stage."

No one walks through the door and immediately signs up, he said.

"It's an investment in yourself, but it can be scary to consider," he said. "It takes con-

fidence to make the decision. We walk you through the entire procedure to help you reach your goal. But if baldness bothers you, don't let fear stop you. There's something you can do about it."

The cost depends on how much hair is needed, but is lower than it used to be, Ayers said.

"When it's done, that's it," he said. "It's a long term type of thing. It's done all at once. That makes a big difference."

The transplant is an outpatient procedure using local anesthetic. Loridas' procedure was on a Friday, and he was back to work the following Monday.

"The pain is like a dental procedure," he said. "I was comfortable and awake."

"It's very simple today, with much less surgery involved," Ayers said. "It heals very quickly with no scarring."

Loridas said his new hair gives him confidence in his personal and professional life.

"It's important to me to maintain a good, groomed look," he said.

Hair replacement isn't life-or-death, but it improves life, Ayers said.

"It's an interior thing. If baldness makes you uncomfortable, it's something that never goes away," he said. "This is for men who liked their hair, lost it, and want it back."

Loridas wore a baseball cap everyday for 25 years.

"Now I don't have to – I haven't worn one for the last year and a half," he said. "It's unbelievable, so new to me. It's nice not have to wear a hat."

For more information, call 248-623-9220.

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Thursday

Tai Chi with Tammy Cropp, Thursdays, 10 a.m., Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

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 About Your Travels, Photo Presentations, 6-7:30 p.m., Nov. 10, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., made-from-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.

Clarkston Community Women's Club, third Thursday, 7 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-1326.

Free General Support Group for any type of cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. 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.

Divorce Care, Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. through Jan. 5; Jan. 12-April 5; April 26-July 19. Weekly video presentation with small group discussion. \$15 for workbook. Join any time. Childcare provided. at 248-620-8420.

Good deed

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names."

For the students, what to do with the wallet was never in question.

"I didn't think twice about returning it," Billette modestly said.

"The first thing that flashed in my mind when we found it was the person who lost it was probably looking for it," added Grogan. "It is a choice anyone would choose. If it was your wallet, you would want someone to do the same."

Dunn pointed out his parents helped with the decision because of what they had taught him.

Billette agreed.

"I give my parents all the credit. They raised me."



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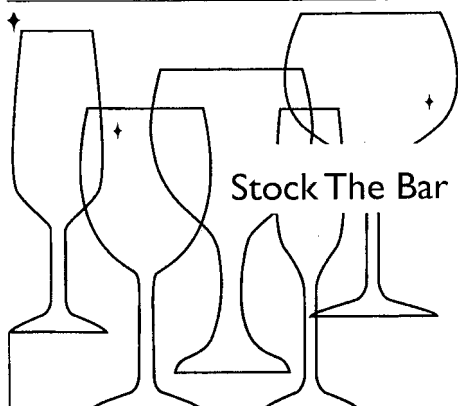
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ARTEMUS M. PAPPAS VILLAGE HALL
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SUMMARY MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Luginiski followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll: Present - Mayor Luginiski, Bisio, Hunter, Hargis, Inabnit, Roth
Absent: Brueck
Others Present - City Manager Ritter, Attorney Ryan
Moved by Hargis, supported by Bisio, to approve the Agenda as presented.
Motion carried. Brueck Absent.
Moved by Roth with support by Hargis to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried, with Bisio voting no. Brueck Absent.
Moved by Roth, support by Hargis to set the Trick or Treat time for Monday, October 31, 2011 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Motion Carried. Brueck Absent.
Moved by Luginiski, support by Bisio to nominate Chip Travis to the Historic District Commission for a (3) year term.
Motion Carried. Roth voting No. Brueck Absent.
Resolution FY12-011 - Michigan Personal Property Tax. Moved by Hunter, support by Luginiski to adopt Resolution for purpose of discussion.
Moved by Hunter, support by Luginiski to adopt the FY12-011 Michigan Personal Property Tax Resolution.
Roll Call: Ayes: Hunter, Luginiski
Nays: Roth, Inabnit, Bisio, Hargis
Absent: Brueck

Resolution failed
Resolution FY12-012 M-15 Pump Station Improvements. Moved by Hunter, support by Inabnit to open Resolution up for discussion.
Moved by Bisio, support by Roth to table until additional information is given.
Motion Carried. Brueck Absent.
Moved by Bisio, support by Hargis to approve the National Association of Letter Carriers request to solicit contributions at Washington and Main Street on October 2, 2011 from 12-6 p.m. contingent on their providing the City with a certificate of liability insurance, naming the City as an additionally named insured.
Motion Carried. Brueck Absent
Moved by Roth support by Inabnit to Adjourn at 7:56 PM
Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Richter, Clerk

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
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CLARKSTON MI 48346

SUMMARY MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Luginiski followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll: Present - Mayor Luginiski, Bisio, Hunter, Hargis, Inabnit, Roth
Brueck - Absent
Others Present - City Manager Ritter
Moved by Hargis, supported by Hunter, to approve the Agenda as presented.
Motion carried. Brueck Absent
Moved by Roth with support by Inabnit to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried 5-1 with Mr. Bisio voting no and Mr. Brueck Absent
Resolved by Hargis, supported by Hunter to approve City Treasurer's Contract with changes to Section 8 - Change Clerk/Treasurer to Treasurer.
Roll Call Vote:
Bisio Roth Inabnit Luginiski Hargis Hunter Brueck
NO YES YES YES YES YES ABSENT
Resolution adopted 5-1 with Bisio voting No and Brueck Absent.
Moved by Roth, supported by Inabnit to approve the Temporary Authorization for Clarkston Union's request for Oktoberfest.
Motion Carried with Brueck Absent.

Resolution: FY005 - Re-adoption 2012 General Fund Budget. No action taken.
Resolution: FY006 - Resolved by Roth, supported by Hunter that Sandra Barlass be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the City of the Village of Clarkston and to remove Kim Howe as a signer. Two signatures of the three authorized check signers are required on each check. Effective immediately.
Roll Call Vote:
Bisio Roth Inabnit Luginiski Hargis Hunter Brueck
YES YES YES YES YES YES ABSENT
Resolution adopted with Brueck absent.
Resolution - FY007 - Resolved by Inabnit, supported by Hunter to approve the SMART Municipal Credit Contract as presented.
Roll Call Vote:
Bisio Roth Inabnit Luginiski Hargis Hunter Brueck
NO YES YES YES YES YES ABSENT
Resolution adopted 5-1 with Hargis voting No and Brueck Absent.
Resolution - FY008 - Resolved by Hunter, supported by Inabnit to approve Smooth Finish Concrete and Construction to do sidewalk repair and not to exceed \$3500.00
Roll Call Vote:
Bisio Roth Inabnit Luginiski Hargis Hunter Brueck
NO YES YES YES NO YES ABSENT
Resolution adopted with Brueck Absent.
Moved by Inabnit, supported by Hunter to extend the meeting pass 9:00 p.m.
Motion Carried with Brueck Absent.
Moved by Inabnit, supported by Roth to table Oakland County E-Commerce Program until next meeting.
Motion Carried with Brueck Absent.
Resolution - FY009 - Moved by Hargis, supported by Inabnit to table Website Maintenance Agreement until next meeting.
Motion Carried with Brueck Absent.
Resolution - FY010 - Resolved by Roth, supported by Hargis to approve up to \$500.00 on plants to be planted on the east side of Mill Pond parking lot.
Roll Call Vote:
Bisio Roth Inabnit Luginiski Hargis Hunter Brueck
NO YES YES NO YES YES ABSENT
Resolution adopted 4-2 with Bisio and Luginiski voting No and Brueck Absent.
Moved by Roth support by Inabnit to Adjourn at 9:33PM
Motion Carried with Brueck Absent

Respectfully Submitted
Kelly Richter, City Clerk

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE NOVEMBER 1, 2011

A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 6:49 PM at the Independence Township Hall.
B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
C. ROLL CALL: Present: Carson, Lohmeier, Pallotta, Petterson, Rosso, Wallace
Absent: Wagner
There was a quorum present.
Also Present: Linda Richardson - DPW Director
Approval to appoint Acting Chair.
D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approval of Agenda as amended.
E. CLOSED SESSION: Purchase or Lease of Real Property, as permitted by MCL 15.168(d) and Attorney-Client Privileged Legal Opinion, as permitted by MCL 15.268(h)
The Regular Meeting recessed at 6:52 PM to move into Closed Session.
The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:30 PM.
F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None
G. PUBLIC HEARING: None
H. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:
1. Presentation given by Open Burning Ad Hoc Study Group - Jim Reed; Sandra Boggemes and Andrea Hirsch
I. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS:
1. Proposal for Appointing an Acting Supervisor: Postponed to the November 15, 2011 Regular Meeting
2. Proposed Elected Officials' Disability Policy: Postponed to November 15, 2011 Regular Meeting
J. CONSENT AGENDA: Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2011
K. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None removed
L. REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Reconsideration of 2011 DTE and Hydraker-Wheatlake Premises License Agreement
2. Approval to Rescind 2011 Bid Awarded to Pipe Systems, Inc. for the Pump Station Improvement Project and Direct the DPW Director to Solicit New Bids
3. Approval of Reconsideration of the Value of Andy Reish's Termination Agreement
4. AT&T U-Verse PEG Broadcast Implementation
5. Elected Official's Retirement Medical Benefits - Bart Clark, Rick Gutowski, William Kunse and Trevor Keiser, Clarkston News
6. Approval to Schedule a Special Meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2011 for the purpose of Budget Review and Scheduling of Additional Special Meetings for Budget Review
7. Approval to Dispose and/or Recycle Cable Studio Assets
8. Approval to Schedule a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 for Public Comment on Recommendations Received from the Open Burning Ad Hoc Study Group
9. Approval of the Check Run in the Amount of \$829,124.96
M. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
N. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Board members commented on various topics.
O. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:
1. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM / REPORT: Larry Rosso, Trustee - Recommendation from Open Burning Ad Hoc Study Group to Township Board
2. COMMUNICATION: Letter of Appreciation received from Bill Kruse and Company to Dick Carlisle and Dave Belcher
P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE NOVEMBER 3, 2011

A. A Special Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 6:04 PM at the Independence Township Hall.
B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
C. ROLL CALL: Present: Carson, Lohmeier, Pallotta, Rosso, Wallace
Absent: Petterson, Wagner
There was a quorum present.
Approval to appoint Acting Chair.
D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approval of Agenda as presented.
E. AGENDA ITEMS AS STATED IN THE CALL OF THE MEETING:
1. Review of 2012 Budget
2. Approval to Schedule Special Meetings: Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 6:00 PM; Review of Department of Public Works Budget Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 6:00 PM; Adoption of 2012 Budget
F. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
G. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None
H. ADJOURNMENT: The Special Meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.
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TO ALL CREDITORS:
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held by the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees in the Township Hall Meeting Room, 6483 Waldon Center Drive, P.O. Box 69, Clarkston, Michigan 48347 on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. to consider recommendations received from the Open Burning Ad Hoc Study Group related to proposed amendments to the Chapter 20 Fire Prevention and Protection; Article III Open Burning.

Comments can be expressed at the Public Hearing or written comments and questions can be directed to the attention of the Township Clerk at the above address or by email to bpallotta@twp.independence.mi.us no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Monday before the meeting. Questions may also be directed to the Township Clerk by e-mail or by phone at (248) 625-5114, Ext. 203

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

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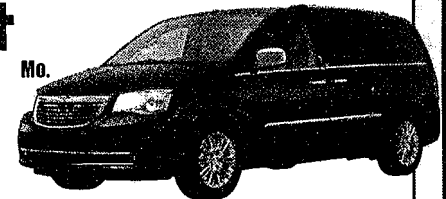
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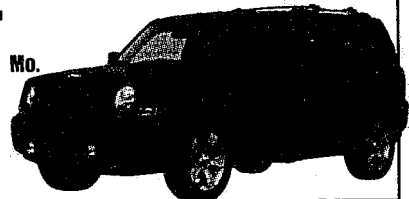
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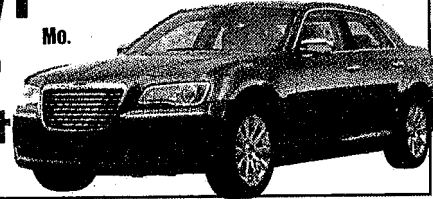
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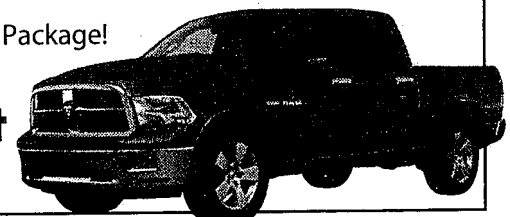
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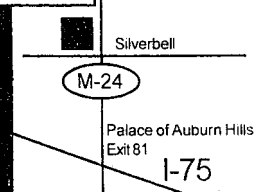
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