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Time is now to nominate

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

The Clarkston community is filled with volunteer spirit, with thriving community, church, and business organizations donating time and money to improve local lives.

Our most outstanding volunteers deserve recognition, but first they need to be nominated. Deadline to nominate Clarkston-area citizens for Community Awards is next week, March 30.

"We're looking for selfless service to the community, those who are more interested in helping others than themselves, with a love of volunteering, helping, and making the community a better place," said the Rev. Daniel Whiting, administrative pastor at Clarkston Community Church, hosting the event.

The Clarkston Community Awards Breakfast is 7:30-9 a.m., May 17, in the Youth Activities Room at the church, 6300 Clarkston Road.

"It's always a great time every year for the community to get together and recognize and honor those who have made a positive impact on the community," said the Rev. Greg Henneman, senior pastor. "We encourage people to nominate people they know who serve. Grab a form, take 15 minutes to fill it out and send it in. There are a lot of people in the community doing good things and they need to be recognized."

Categories are Citizen of the Year, Youth of the Year, Adult-Youth Volunteer, Business Person of the Year, Community Beautification/Preservation, Community Enhancement, and Community Collaboration.

The event is during Michigan Week.

"Every year, we celebrate what's best about Michigan," Hennaman said. "This is the way our community chooses to do this."

The event is catered by Brioni's – "a full breakfast to enjoy together, a great time to honor those who serve and have

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ICE BE GONE: Clarkston Area Optimist Club member Dale Ryan helps dismantle the ice rink in Depot Park, March 16. The club installed the rink in January for ice skating. There wasn't too much of that with this winter's frequent thaws, but the rink will be back next winter. Photo by Phil Custodio



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FUN IN THE PARK: Lucy Swartout, 17 months, goes for a ride on a springy bee in Depot Park with her grandmother, Joan Swartout, March 16. Photo by Phil Custodio

Lawyers seek township's info

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township finds itself facing a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request after township attorney Stephen Joppich switched law firms.

Joppich and five other attorneys left Farmington Hills-based Secrest Wardle to join the new firm Johnson, Rosati, Shultz and Joppich P.C.

Secrest Wardle sent a FOIA, March 8, to requesting township communications including letters, emails, and text messages between township employees, elected officials, and other officials, and attorneys Thomas Schultz, Stephen Meads, Stephanie Simon Morita, Charles Snell, Elizabeth Kudla Saarela, and Steven Joppich, as well as any other employees from Secrest Wardle between June 1, 2011, and Feb. 16, 2012.

It also seeks proposals, bid packages, resumes, applications, retainer agreements, fixed fee agreements, contracts and other documents between the lawyers and Johnson, Rosati, Shultz, and Joppich PC, as well as agendas, minutes, recordings, transcripts, addendums and other documents regarding the township counsel meetings from June 1, 2011.

On March 16, Clerk Barbara Pallotta said she was trying to get a hold of Mark Masters of Secrest Wardle, who wrote the request.

"The whole scope of it is so broad," she said. "I'm asking him to tear it down a little bit, be a little more specific."

Pallotta heard back from Secrest Wardle and said "the FOIA stands (as written)" so she added it to the March 20 meeting for the board to discuss what to do.

Joppich worked with Independence Township for 18 years. He was an assistant

township attorney until former township attorney Gerald Fisher retired.

At the Feb. 21 regular meeting the board voted 5-1 to retain Joppich as their attorney. Trustee Mark Petterson was the lone "nay" vote, because he felt it should have been let out to bid.

However, Trustee David Lohmeier felt staying with Joppich was the best choice and said they could put it out for bid six months from now if they want to.

"Mr. Joppich has been our attorney," Lohmeier said. "I view a stronger relationship with the attorney who's represented us than I do a firm.'

Trustee Neil Wallace agreed because they are only months away from an election of a new board.

"By time we get around to making a decision on a new bid, we'll be even closer to a new board," he said.

Petterson was also upset that Secrest Wardle wasn't notified prior to letting them go. Joppich said there was never a contract between Secrest Wardle and the township.

"I was here when the decision was made to bring me back and the members of that firm several years ago. No contract was put into place," he said. "It was done by way of decision of the board and we continued on from there."

Petterson believes the board violated the bid policy and that the process was not done

"I want these people to fight for our work. If the fight includes firms battling between their prices, fantastic, goal accomplished, that's exactly the way it should be," Petterson said. "But we're not even going to test whether or not the township could get a cheaper price and we owe it to the taxpayers to do that."

Briefly

Absentee ballots for bond vote

Absentee ballots for Clarkston Community School's \$20 million bond vote, May 8, are available at Independence Township Clerk's Office, 6483 Waldon

To vote absentee, citizens must be 60 years or older, physically unable to attend the polls without assistance, appointed precinct worker somewhere other than where they live, can't attend polls because of religious tenet, in jail awaiting arraignment or trial, or expect to be absent from the community the entire day of the election.

Applications must be signed and returned in person or by mail. Call 248-

Bullying public hearing

Clarkston Board of Education hosts a public hearing to consider new district policy regarding bullying and other aggressive behavior toward students, 7 p.m., March 26, at Clarkston Schools administration building, 6389 Clarkston

The Board of Education will have a first reading of the policy at the March 26 meeting, with second reading/approval at a later meeting. The policy must be approved prior to June 6, according to state law.

The district also presents a Technology Showcase, March 26, 5-7 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Students and teachers will demonstrate and explain how they use technology in the district.

Call 248-623-5408 for more information.

'Little Women'

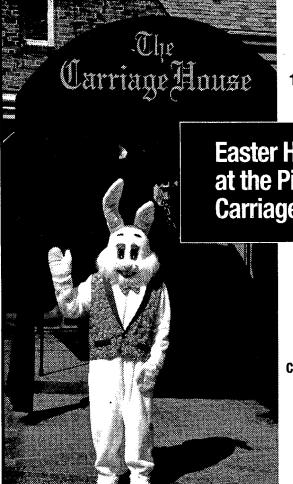
Clarkston Junior High School presents "Little Women" this Friday and Saturday.

Both performances are at the CJHS Performing Arts Center beginning at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$7 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students.

High school dodgeball

Clarkston High School students battle in their second annual dodgeball tournament, March 29 at 7 p.m. in the high school gym, Admission is \$1.



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Art reproductions from Detroit Institute of Art will soon be on display in local parks and streets. Photo provided

DIA comes to Clarkston

BYTREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Ever wonder what it would be like to walk Clarkston's streets and see a Pablo Picasso, Leonardo DaVinci, or Michelangelo paintings in its original size hanging on the sides of buildings for all to see? Now you can.

The City of the Village of Clarkston is one of 11 communities this year participating in the third annual Detroit Institute of Art's (DIA) "Inside/out" program, sponsored by the John S and James L. Knight Foundation.

Other communities include Eastpointe, Roseville, Mount Clemens, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Southfield, Bloomfield Township, Wyandotte, Wayne, Taylor, and the Grosse Pointe area.

The DIA brought seven framed reproductions of its masterpieces from its collection to the main streets of Clarkston yesterday.

"Six of them are wall mounts, one is free

standing," said Clarkston Retailers Group member Peg Roth.

Locations include Clarkston Mills Mall, Masonic Temple, Olde Village Cafe, Essence on Main, Union Woodshop, Clarkston Union, and free standing in Depot Park.

The reproductions will be up until June and then sent to another community.

'It is really a cool thing," added Roth.

The DIA is also giving 1,000 flyers with the pictures of the reproductions on them, so Clarkston-area residents can go to a free day at the DIA on May 20 and search the museum to find the original paintings on their

"Hopefully our community will take advantage of the free day being offered and we can get a whole bunch of us down there," Roth said.

For more information, visit DetroitInstituteofArts.com or DIA Inside/ Out page on Facebook.

Nominate for Community Awards

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a great time together," Henneman said.

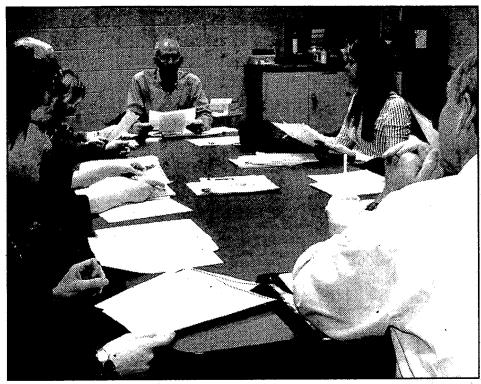
Henneman and Whiting are also working with Clarkston Area Pastors' Association, Clarkston Schools Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock, and other civic leaders on other community projects.

"We're talking to Habitat about what we can do in the community to help meet needs in Clarkston," Henneman said. "Our vision is the community coming together, individual businesses, non-profits, and civic groups, to build a house together for a needy family in Clarkston."

Another option is to fix up a home, he

"With the housing market today, rehab is a good option," he said. "We'll build more than one if resources permit. It could be so exciting to meet the needs of family, the community swinging the hammer together."

For more information or a nomination form, go to www.clarkstoncchurch.com. Call Pastor Whiting for more information on the Habitat project at 248-625-1323.



Paul Maxwell, race director for Angel's Place Race, leads a volunteer committee meeting, planning this year's event. Photo by Phil Custodio

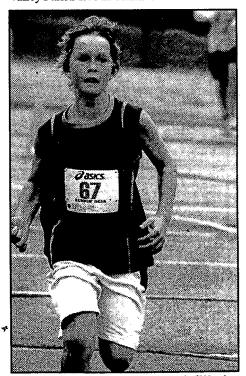
Sign-up open for Angel's race

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Planning is well underway for this year's Angel's Place Race, Saturday, May 19.

The annual event includes a 1 Mile Family Fun Walk, starting at 9 a.m.; and 5K Bruce Clifton Run / Walk and 10K Run, 9:30 a.m., all starting and ending at St. Daniel Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive in Clarkston.



Runners and walkers will fill the streets of Clarkston on race day, May 19. Photo provided

"Meetings start right after the run on how to improve it. We took suggestions from runners on how to improve the 10K route," said Paul Maxwell of Independence Township, race director.

About 60 community volunteers will help on the day of the race.

"It's a very worthwhile cause," said Jim Lenhardt, volunteer. "Angels' Place provides a personal touch to people with disabilities."

"I believe whole heartedly what Angels' Place does, the services it provides," said Dave Cushing, volunteer.

The 5K race is dedicated to Bruce Clifton. longtime volunteer who passed away last

"He designed the 5K route," Maxwell said. "We've had tremendous support of the community in sponsorships, runners and walkers, and volunteers. We had beautiful weather last year. I encourage everyone to come out and support us again."

Angels' Place is a non-profit organization providing homes and professional support for persons with developmental disabilities. Residential services include 14 group homes in the tri-county area. Ideas for the future include a new one in the Clarkston area.

"We're looking into it," Maxwell said. "Through Angels' Place's services, I have seen many lives changed for the better."

Services for families of adults and children with developmental disabilities still living at home include respite, social and recreational opportunities, vocational assistance and an artisan's cooperative.

For more information or to register for the race, go to www.angelsplacerace.org.



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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

Many ways to help

One of the great perks about being a creative person is having creative friends.

As another way to raise money for March for Babies, besides talking, asking, and begging for monetary donations, my friend has created an online auction.

If you missed one of my previous columns, I am walking in the March for Babies on April 28 on Team Thor's Strength for my nephew. He was born one month

early (he just couldn't wait any longer). He spent his first week in NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit).

As part of the team walking in the event, I knew I had to come up with something to help.

Something to help.

one idea to ignite a million tiny ideas to aid the main idea. Once I was able to sit down and think about the people I knew, I realized I know a lot of creative and helpful people.

Next came throwing a shot into the dark and hoping for the best. The best came through and because generous people, the auction is going to be great. I hope it will. It would be great to raise money for March for Babies.

Not only do we have a few creations from family but also a few donations from some from Clarkston as well. But not going to give all the details away.

Does it get you curious now? And a great part – the auction is online. You don't have to go anyplace and it is before you leave for spring break. Well, hopefully before you leave for spring break.

The auction is April 1-3 and and the items are listed on www.facebook.com/ThorsStrengthMarchForBabies. If you want to donate, leave a message there.

Again, you are more than welcome to walk to us or cheer everyone on April 28 in Lapeer. For more, www.marchforbabies/

As for my other nephews and my niece, they are doing well.

Last thoughts, as I prepare for Hollywood to release *Hunger Games* to the public, I am excited but worried. Please, Hollywood, don't mess this up. There is nothing like enjoying a book series and seeing it botched on the big screen.

Speaking of which, Michael Bay, do not turn Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles into aliens. If you missed the news feeds he is going to have the beloved four be aliens. Sorry to the 1980s or 1990s child – I ruined your day. I was trying one last plea to someone in Hollywood who would listen.

Citizen supports school bond vision

Dear Editor,

Dr. Rock has been in Clarkston for only one and a half years and in that short time has helped grow a vision of what Clarkston Schools can and should be. His commitment to do right, not what is easy or popular, truly sets him apart. Creating a thinking culture is but one example.

Working to pass a bond to better educate our future workforce is another.

Recently a citizen hinted that the upcoming election is set in May to preclude the elderly from voting—absentee ballots are just as accessible in May as in August, November and February.

Interestingly, he seems to assume that those who don't have children in the schools do not have a vested interest in the education of our youth.

I spend time every Sunday with elderly people and consistently I hear from them how important educational opportunity is for our hildren.

Why in May, he asked. Answer: so that the schools can collect money this summer to positively impact our students in 2012, rather than 2013.

Why buy iPads or other technology? Answer: this is how the business world is run—our students need to be able to enter that workforce competitively. Regarding schools living within their means, this bond money is by and far for capital expenses—not salaries, paper, and/or pencils. The cost of living has increased and income to schools has dramatically decreased; thus the gap between expenses and income is constantly increasing.

I am thankful the leader of Clarkston Schools has a clear vision of how to help today's youth reach beyond their grasp, to become critical thinkers.

> Kristy Spann Independence Township

Reader sees too many questions on bond

Dear Editor

I was very surprised to learn Clarkston Schools is going to ask for a \$20 million bond. I thought the school must be in trouble to ask for that much. Then to find out there is no detailed plan for what they will purchase let alone how to use the \$10 million of new technology. I want to know how these tools will be used to teach core subjects.

In the Jan. 9, 2012 Clarkston Community School board meeting at 1 hour and 3 minutes (www.ustream.tv/recorded/19670562) Dr. Rod Rock said, "I know as experienced business people if you invest \$35,000 and receive a \$20 million in return that is a very good investment."

I guess with that mindset it is like money raining from the sky onto the schools. This

is when I realized logic does not matter. They are in a position to make a bet and if they win that bet they can spend the bond money in any way they want because they did not make specific promises regarding mobile technology.

Bond council confirmed the administration can move money between items on the capital needs list. The only restriction is they can't spend money on anything not on the list

There are just too many questions, too much money at stake and no clear direction. I am voting to end this spiraling debt burden on taxpayers which includes parents like me with children in the school. I will vote no.

Alan Lowe Independence Township

Councilman explains township comments

Dear Editor

Recently, I have been quoted in articles about Cory Johnston's efforts to dissolve the City of the Village of Clarkston, so that it would become part of Independence Township.

Some of my statements, taken out of the context of longer discussions, were critical of the township's government. Those were ill-conceived statements that I should not have made:

The essence of the debate about dissolution as I see it is whether it is more desirable for the residents of Clarkston to directly control decisions about local matters, particularly zoning and the historic district.

We can and should have that discussion without impugning the township board and government. When people speak of

Clarkston, they include not just the half square mile of the city but the greater Clarkston area that includes the township. The township residents and businesses are an integral part of the community life of Clarkston. And so is the township government

I respect a number of the members of the township board, Superintendent Bart Clark, and the township department heads that I have had interchange with. I applaud the board's successful efforts, led by Neil Wallace, to bring township budgeting out in the open and to have a disciplined, measured process for dealing with the difficult decisions that must be made in a time of declining revenues.

Richard Bisio Clarkston (City Council member)

Write a letter to the editor at ClarkstonNews@gmail.com

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1997

"Feeling the pinch" Independence Township incurred an investment loss of \$1.5 million in 1996 and a \$527,797 loss in 1995 for a total of \$2 million. The losses came five controverstial investments made by former Treasurer John Lutz – four mortage-based derivatives and a Lord Abbott mutual fund.

"Kids share love of books" Middle schoolers at Clarkston middle schools took March Reading Month a step further. The Junior Optimist Clubs at Clarkston and Sashabaw schools collected new and used books and cash contributions for new books for distribution by Lighthouse North in the agency's Easter baskets.

25 years ago - 1987

"School tax vote coming" Clarkston school district voters were asked to approve an additional 4.25 mills in taxes and renew 3.79 mills for operational purposes. The renewal and new millage would have raised the operational levy to 37.58 mills or \$37.58 for each \$1,000 of assessed property valuation.

"Cash from cops increases 300%"
The double police coverage in Independence Township, in effect since January, tripled township revenues from township ordinance violations. Revenues from township ordinance violations in January 1986 were \$373.45; Februrary 1986, \$433.30; January 1987, \$1,179.50; and February 1987, \$1,430.62. Tickets were issued for civial infractions such as speedig, stop light violations and trespassing.

50 years ago - 1961

"Wizard Of Oz, a big success" Almost 1,300 people jammed the Clarkston Junior High School auditorium to see the junior high students present *The Wizard Of Oz*.

"Volunteers named for torch drive" Mrs. Werner Hoy, and Mrs. Arthur Mazur were named Torch Drive co-chairmen for the Oakland Townships Region. Mrs. Mazur was responsible for recruiting, training, and directing volunteer solicitors in Farmington, Novi, and Lyon Townships. Mrs. Hoy covered Milford, Commerce, Highland, Holly, Groveland, and Addison Townships. She had been a volutneer for seven years and worked every level from solicitor up to co-chair.

A potpourri of good stuff for this column

I have even more proof that you're never too old to learn, not that any was needed. And it involves my own trade, a preacher and a woman.

It is also an unsavory tale of stealth, smuggling and the King of England.

The first printing press in the United States was financed by the nonconformist clergyman, The Reverend Jose Glover of Sutton, Surry England. He planned to found and control a printery press in New England.

'On a fog-wrapped London night in 1638, after the harbourmaster had checked the passenger list and cargo, cleared the ship and passed down the gangplank into the darkness, hushed voices could be heard from time to time, calling softly from ship to shore. Large objects were passed into the ship's hold."

All this secrecy was because the King did not encourage enlightenment among the colonists. He prohibited presses, paper and anything connected to the black art from coming here.

With the press was a complete font of type and a large supply of paper. The Rev. died enroute, but his wife continued his mission. In on the deed was Stephen Daye, who, thus, became America's number one printer.

The press was set up in Cambridge, Mass. His first sheet was titled, "The Freeman's Oath," which every member of the Massachusetts Colony had taken.

Jim's **Jottings**



a column by Jim Sherman

Psalms." Only 11 are said to be in existence. If you've got one, you're rich. ---0---

The first book ever printed in the

U.S. was "The Whole Book of

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And: Willpower is the ability to resist temptation until you're sure noone's looking.

--0---Know what some athletes get when they drive slowly through a campus? A diploma.

The difference between a taxidermist and a tax collector? Taxidermists take only our skin. ---0---

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4. That the money the participants put into the independent "Trust Fund" rather than into the General Operation Fund, therefore, would only be used to fund the Social Security Retirement Program, and no other government program.

5. That the annuity payments to the retirees would never be taxed as income.-Author unknown - - - 0 - - -

Red Skelton had these recipes for the perfect marriage: "Two times a week, we go to a nice restaurant, have a little beverage, good food and companionship. She goes on Tuesdays, I go on Fridays."

And, "We also sleep in separate beds. Hers is in California, mine is in Texas."

From the Jim's Jotting archives – Jim returns next

Robo-calling Republicans watch out

Hey, not to be a Donny Downer dude was costing them votes. and rain on everybody's nice weather parade, but . . . uhm, I got my first smackin' frackin' 'skeeter bite this past weekend! Come on, it's mid March in southeastern Michigan. There should still be slush somewhere other than the U.P.

So, last week I popped off over the Republican party's robo calling crackpots. I'll admit it, I was ticked off. Well, I ain't alone. Hot damn! Looks like I done stirred up a little hornets' nest. Now, let's see if we can get some action.

Right here and right now, fellow Americans, let us take a stand. Mail your political leaders my column and attach your commentary.

Exnay robocallay!

Here are what some of your fellow patriots of phone sanctity have said.

Dear Don, You took the words out of my mouth. Your column was fantastic! I was receiving up to six robo calls from one candidate for three weeks.

It was the same calls over and over. Once the other candidates got into it we stopped answering the phone whenever it rang. I wish the candidates could know how these calls turned people off. They would quit in a heartbeat if they knew it

Thanks for saying what most people were thinking. Gail V

Dear Don, I moved from the Romeo area in late November . . . (and now about)

the dreaded Robo Call!

Rush Me

A column by

Don't

You asked us to let you know if we felt like you do, my answer is a resounding YES! Like many typical families, everyone in our household has a cell phone, although in the spirit of full disclosure the service is not activated on our two-year-old's phone.

When we moved in, Don Rush we did get a home

phone to be used in the case of an emergency. For the first couple weeks, we actually used it occasionally and discussed giving out the number. But then came the telemarketers, and within a month less than one call out of 20 were from someone

Eventually, we chose to keep the phone in case of emergency but simply turned off the ringer and quit answering it all to-

Now, in an effort to prove just how out of touch politicians are with us lowly common folk they have turned to calling our cell phones. I can honestly tell you, I don't know a single person who actually stops to listen to the entire Robo Call message.

In an admittedly unscientific poll, 100% of everyone I asked said they not only hang up the minute they realize it is a Robo Call, it instantly enrages them.

I am writing to let you know you can count me in on the revolution! I want to know why they feel they are above the rules that apply to rest of us and I want to know what it is they feel they are accomplishing with these calls.

If these calls don't alienate 100% of the voters who receive them, I am confident it alienates a minimum of 99% of them. Thank you. Fred P

Way to go Don, I am with you all the way, NO MORE ROBO CALLS!

One would think that after all these years of "way before season," most aggravating election ads, that more people would be even less tolerant of these political ideologue advertisers who started an even bigger campaign push with these soulless automated robo calls.

It's sad in a way, but I too have had Don@ShermanPublications.org

thoughts that my vote may very well go to the person running whom least bothers me with these least informative and ever-so-embarrassing (for the candidate) intrusions, it is that bad.

What a shocker (actually I was), when you mentioned that the people in charge of advertising are all in their 20's. One would think that it would make more sense to put the most seasoned advertising professionals in place to get out the best lasting image of whom you are and what you represent. It may be more money spent, but in the long run it's the results that count.

You've got my vote Don. I definitely feel the same as you in regards to these blasted robo calls. To start, I will send off messages to our current elected officials, then onto the one's that have been running in this Political Primary, then on to the big "toadies" in the pond, the GOP.

If enough of us do it then maybe, just maybe, it will make it past the mail room or the official office screener/replier of emails, and who knows, maybe a more adult approach just might happen . . . Thanks Don, all in our household enjoy your column (and Jim Sherman's) each and every week. John T

What do you think? E-mail



LEAGUE CHAMPS: From left in front are Clarkston Pony League Basketball players Spencer Pawlik, lan McGregor, Joe Genoa, Jimmy Delnick, Adam Gohl, Evan Montgomery; back row, Michael Schwartz, Alex Barta, Mac Pearce, Matt Wright, Connor Giroux and Tanner Schulte. Their team, the Pink Sox, won the championship in the league, which is offered through Independence Township Parks and Recreation. *Photo by Larry Wright*

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Landscape Tips from Tom Lowrie

Buy Bulk Mulch

Bagged Mulch Can Be Up To 10 Times More Expensive!

Knowing how much mulch to purchase for your

beds or gardens is always a bit of a guess, but if you own a pickup truck or your project requires two or more yards of mulch, buy bulk: Bulk



substantially more cost effective than bagged mulch. Bulk mulch, even including a delivery fee will almost always be less expensive.

To determine how much mulch you need, measure the square footage of your area and the desired depth, in inches, of mulch. If you want to compare pricing on bagged vs. bulk, know that bagged mulch is usually sold by either weight or cubic volume!

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- approximately equal to 1 cubic foot

The only compelling reason to buy bagged mulch is ease of transportation. Bagged mulch can be up to ten times more expensive than bulk mulch. It makes sense to pay a delivery fee and borrow a wheelbarrow if you don't have

one. Further, cheap bagged mulch can sometimes contain shredded construction debris or other waste with toxic chemicals.

Bulk mulches from reputable landscape companies are likely clean and safe. Mulch is useful for preventing soil erosion and holding moisture in the ground. It helps to inhibit weed growth and gives a garden a manicured appearance. Mulches vary in makeup, color, texture and appearance. Use the following examples to help guide your selection:

- For a soothing, natural look, use darkcolored mulch
- For a brighter bed, use lighter mulch or consider light colored gravel.
- For a classic look, choose un-dyed dark brown.

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Hiding with dope

Acting on a tip, deputies went to a South River Road home, looking for a 35-year-old Independence Township man wanted on two warrants, 9:40 p.m., March 7. With permission from the homeowner to search, deputies found the suspect hiding in a back bedroom closet, covered in clothing. He also had a bag of marijuana. He was cited for drug possession.

Passed out driver

An Independence Township firefighter in a privately owned vehicle followed a speeder into Clarkston, 10:19 p.m., March 7. He found the 21-year-old Flint woman passed out behind the wheel at N. Main and Washington streets. The firefighter got her keys and called deputies. With a preliminary breath test, she was arrested for drunk driving.

Alert deputy snags suspect

A deputy was on patrol at Clintonville and Fox Creek roads when he recognized a 44-year-old Waterford woman in the passenger seat of a passing vehicle, 5:13 p.m., March 9. She was wanted on an active prosecutor's order for drunk driving, second offense. The driver, a 31-year-old Waterford man, had a preliminary breath test of .155 and was arrested for drunk driving, third offense. The woman paid a \$200 bond on the warrant, and was cited for open intoxicants in the vehicle.

PILIE SEED

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

Lost sax returned

An Independence Township man walking his dog found a battered saxophone near Allen and Holcomb roads, 2:47 p.m., March 7, and told deputies about it. A deputy picked up the flattened instrument and called a Troy music store about it. Its serial number matched one of their saxes and they picked it up.

Party rocking blues

Deputies found a house party filled with alcohol and teenagers, 11:01 p.m., March 9, in the 9000 block of Pine Knob Road. They cited the hosts, a 20-year-old man and 18-year-old woman, with house party violation, and two guests, an 18-year-old Clarkston man and 18-year-old Springfield Township man, with minors in possession of alcohol. The owners of the house, the hosts' parents, didn't know about the party.

Vandals hit homes

Vandals caused about \$3,750 in spraypaint and other damage to two model homes in the 4000 block of Middlesboro, March 11.

Drunk driver

A 21-year-old Waterford man was weaving between the lanes on Dixie Highway near Maple Drive when he was pulled over, 1:45 a.m., March 10. With a preliminary breath test of .149, he was arrested for drunk driving.

Too young to drink

A deputy on patrol stopped to check on an 18-year-old Springfield Township man on his hands and knees at Waldon and Pine Valley roads, 12:41 a.m., March 10. The man, who was covered in vomit and missing his shoes, said he had too much to drink. He was cited for underage drinking and picked up by his father.

Extinguisher scam

A man offered to test the fire extinguisher at a gas station in the 7000 block of N. Ortonville Road, 1:30 p.m., March 10, then presented a bill for \$80. The clerk called her boss, who said it was a scam. She called deputies, who found the phone number on the inspector's card was not in service.

Driver injured in crash

A 23-year-old Clarkston man was seriously injured when he drove left of center and hit a van on Ortonville Road south of Oak Hill Rd in Independence Township, 7:16 a.m., March 19. He was trapped and had to be extricated by Independence and Brandon township firefighters. He was taken to Genesys Hospital where he was listed in critical condition. The van's driver, a 35-year-old Goodrich resident, was treated at the scene and sought medical attention on his own. Alcohol is not believed to have been a factor. Both drivers were wearing seat belts. A Dense Fog Advisory was in effect at the time of the crash, but the area of the crash had good visibility at the time. The crash remains under investigation.

Stories differ in assault case

A 34-year-old Independence Township man and his ex-wife, a 34-year-old Waterford woman, got into an argument about where their son should sit in his pickup truck, 6:03 p.m., March 11, in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway. She said he hit her with his truck as she tried to talk to him. He and a witness said she got in front of the truck and scratched circles into the hood until he backed up out of the way. She ended up with a bruise to her left hand, and the truck was damaged with scratches. The case was forwarded to the county prosecutor for review.

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especially playing guitar and ukulele and
linging. He also enjoys walking and is an
und Detroit Tigers and Clarkston High School

How to Work With Your Primary Care Physician (PCP) - by Dr. Michael Baker

The past several decades have witnessed major changes in health care. With certain increased government involvement in how health care is delivered and received, this trend will accelerate. Central to health care both now and in the future is the patient-primary care physician relationship.

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First, it is helpful to make a prioritized list of your concerns and please get them all on the table at the beginning. This will enable you and your PCP to decide which issues need to be addressed over what timeframe. Second, if you are on medication, either make a detailed list including doses or better yet, bring them in to your visit for a PCP review.

Third, please educate yourself about general health issues and any specific conditions you may have. Remember, you are your primary health decision maker; information is key to good decisions. One caveat, do not always accept everything you read either online or elsewhere. It is best to review important information with your physician. Lastly, complete communication and trust is critical to success in this process. No question or symptom is too trivial or not potentially helpful. You will receive the best advice and recommendations from your PCP if you share complete information.

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The Clarkston SeaWolves; from left in front row, Haley VanBuskirk, Caroline Hughes, Alyssa Schroeder, Betsey Walkowiak, and Rhianna Hensler; back row, Coach Tim Hickey and Coach Kelly Haynes. Not pictured Emma Barnes, Keisev Gilbert and Coach Kenwyn Chock. Photo provided

Strong finish at states

BYWENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Local swimmers pushed themselves through the blue depths to come out on top at the 12 & Under Short Course State Championship, March 9-11 at Lake Orion High School.

The Clarkston Sea Wolves finished in 15th place in the girls division with two relay teams taking sixth place.

"That is up from not even 20 points last year," Coach Tim Hickey added. "It is a huge improvement and most of them were first time qualifiers."

Seven swimmers qualified during the season to compete - Emma Barnes, Kelsey Gilbert, Rhianna Hensler, Caroline Hughes, Alyssa Schroeder, Haley VanBuskirk and Betsey Walkowiak.

Hughes, Schroeder, Hensler, and VanBuskirk made up the relay team finishing sixth place in the 200-yard medley relay at 2:22.03.

Hughes, Hensler, VanBuskirk were also in the second relay team finishing sixth with Walkowiak in the 200-yard free relay, 2:05.52.

For the individual events Hughes led the way topping in all six of her individual events by finishing in ninth place or better.

She finished in fifth place in the 500-yard The same of the sa

freestyle and 100-yard backstroke; sixth place in the 50-yard backstroke; seventh in 200yard freestyle; eighth in the 100-yard freestyle and ninth in the 200-yard IM.

Hensler finished in 13th in the 50-yard butterfly and 16th in the 100-yard butterfly for her individual events. Schroeder finished 12th in the 500-yard freestyle.

"They really made the commitment," said Hickey about the seven swimmers. "They have been training since early September for this. They all committed to being at practice 4-5 times a week every week. Once they made the commitment at practice it was natural swimming faster would happen. They are all pretty young so to make that kind of commitment is a nice thing to see."

All of the Sea Wolves go to school in Clarkston and are done with this season. They have a small break before they start the spring/summer season in April - and they will be ready to go.

The Liquid Lightning team, with swimmers from Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford, Brandon, Rochester, Pontiac and Lapeer, finished in first place for the women's division and 12th for the men's division. They had seven individual state champion titles, two relay state champion titles and many finish in the top-

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



From left, Anna Manilla, Jessica Ming, Megan Hastings, Christina Jokisch, Breanca Cantrell and Tori Trimmer. Photos provided

Seniors leave mark

basketball court for the last time they had left a mark on the Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball team for years to come.

"We had six very talented and hard working seniors that showed a great deal of leadership," said Tim Wasilk, head coach. "They definitely helped to put our program back on the map."

The seniors - Breanca Cantrell, Megan Hastings, Christina Joskich, Anna Manilla, Jessica Ming and Tori Trimmer - had successfully led the team to two consecutive MHSAA District championships after a five year drought.

They also led in the league, finishing the regular season as OAA Red champions with a 12-2 league record adding to their 21-3 overall record.

"The biggest thing they pass on is how to come to work every day and practice every day," Wasilk said. "How to come with a focused effort and not take days off. I was proud of what they accomplished this

When the seniors stepped off of the year. They taught the younger kids how to be competitive and how to win. Hopefully that will carry on."

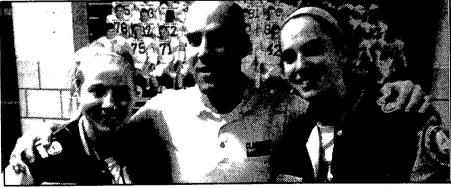
During their first season together in 2010-2011, the Lady Wolves had a successful boost from their 6-15 finish the previous year. They finished in March 2011 with a 18-6 record after their loss in the MHSAA Regional finals to Midland.

"It was a special group of seniors and a special group to be part of this year," Wasilk added. "I was proud of what they accomplished. We have three captains graduating. It is nice to see them do well and be successful."

The team loses 18 years of varsity playing experience - including four years from both Hastings and Manilla. Both have played on the team since their freshman year.

The team has nine players returning next year to continue the leadership and what they learned from the seniors.

~Sports Writer Wendi Reardon



Megan Hastings and Anna Manilla with head coach Tim Wasilk.



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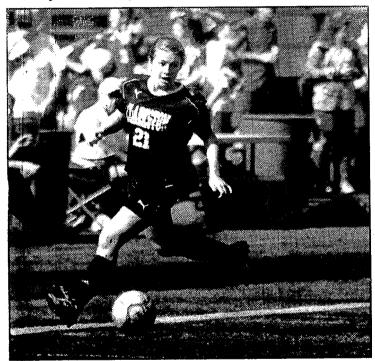
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Lindsey Adams keeps control of the ball as Grand Blanc defense moves in. Photo by Wendi Reardon



Lisa Lyons brings the ball closer to the net.

Sunny spring start

Lady Kickers are back on the field as they hold their season opener on Thursday at home against Waterford Kettering.

The Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer team spent last week practicing and getting ready for the season before they played in the Lakes Area Showcase on Saturday.

During the three scrimmages they tied against Grand Blanc and Powers Catholic and beat Howell, 1-0.

"The scrimmages on Saturday went really well," said senior Lisa Lyons. "I am really looking forward to Kettering this week. We played them in districts last year."

They beat them after two 10minute overtime periods, 2-1.

"They are always gunning for us," said Sarah Wasilk, head coach. "We don't overlook them. We are just trying to take it one game at a time.'

"I think this will be a good competition and to see where we are at," Lyons added.

They play Waterford Kettering on Thursday and Berkley on Tuesday at home.

"It is going to be a tough game," Wasilk added about Berkley. "They are always good. We have tied them the past two times we have played them. In order to get off on a good start we need to beat Berkley and Kettering."

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

~Sports Writer Wendi Reardon

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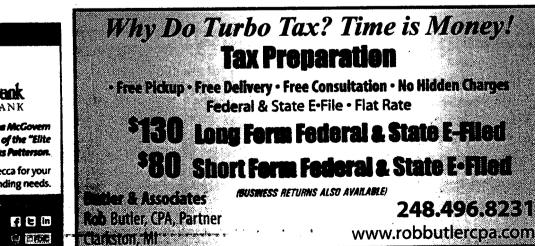
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ommunity involvement builds new field house

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Brick by brick, the Wolves are building the foundation for the Clarkston High School stadium's field house

The field house will have team locker rooms for all the Clarkston athletic teams and will also be used for the marching band. It will include larger concession stand to service fans. It will also be more accessible to all patrons.

The Clarkston Athletic Boosters are taking on the job of raising money for the new addition, as it is not included in the \$20 million school bond proposal.

'We're selling brick pavers and signage," said Kurt Richardson, booster club representative and head coach for the Wolves' Varsity Football team.

"It is a good way to raise money and a good way to get the community to get involved," he added.

"Players, maybe that have already graduated or current, can someday bring their sons or daughters and show them their bricks. They can buy a brick in memory of their parents. Families are buying them as well. It is part of Clarkston forever and a good way to bring the community together."

The bricks will be part of the patio planned to surround the field house. The bricks are available in various sizes, 4 inches by 8 inches for \$175, 8 inches by 8 inches for \$300 and 8 inches by 12 inches for \$500 and are available until June 15.

Families as well as students, teams, alumni and companies are more than welcome to purchase a brickpaver.

Another way to help is purchasing signs. They are selling signs not only for the back of the new con-

cession stand but also signs going around the field.

They expect to break ground in April and plan to have the field house finished by August.

They are still accepting bids on the work as well as materials for the building or landscaping.

"We would like to keep it local," Richardson said, adding bids can be submitted to Mark Applebaum at JCS Construction Services.

He added there are also committees looking for extra help with different areas.

"We will need help later with things like painting," Richardson said. "That is what happened when we built the field house at Clarkston Junior High School. It was the community pitching in because it is for all that use the field - soccer, lacrosse, track, football and the marching band."

The athletic teams currently use an equipment shed filled with stored equipment for the different athletic

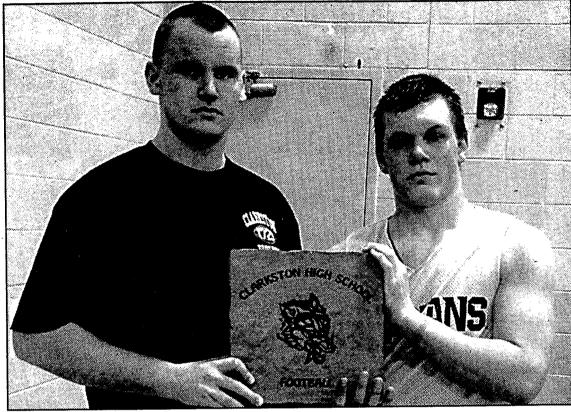
The new facility would allow the existing storage barn and concession stand to be used for storage. Another bonus is the concession stand will be level with the parking lot and bigger.

It will be built on the north side of the athletic field and will include two levels with a new concession stand area, locker rooms and bathrooms.

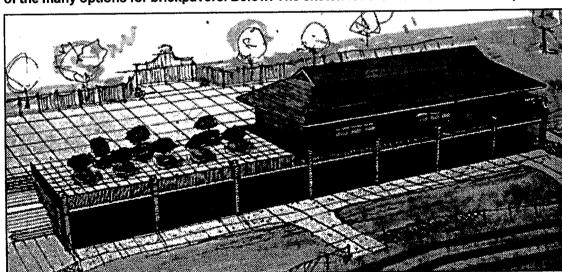
Forms are available online at www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/athletics on the football team's page.

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Above: Clarkston High School juniors Jesse Chadwell, left, and Nate Yeloushan display one of the many options for brickpavers. Below: The sketch for the field house. Photos provided



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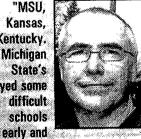
- Matt Smith

"Michigan State, North Carolina, Kansas. University of Michigan didn't have enough



horses to go far this year." - Ray Steele

"MSU, Kansas. Kentucky. Michigan State's played some difficult schools



learned a great deal from it." - Rick Bailey



By Phil Custodio' '''

The Clarkston News' STEAM



New cable director wants more local input

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

New Cable Public Access Center (CPAC) Director Joe Barnhart hopes to see CPAC become a thriving place for the community.

"I'd like this to be like the library where we provide resources and expertise for the community and then they can come in and take advantage of that," he said. "We're not truly here to create the television programs for people as much as we're here to help a person create their television programs that's the goal of community access.'

Putting a little money into the facility as well as equipment, Barnhart believes it can be done. They currently have around \$400,000 in PEG fees, which can be used for equipment upgrades.

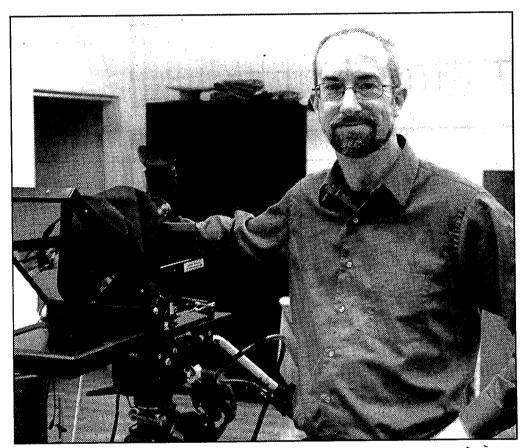
'There have been a couple years it's been unspent and building up," he said. "But we're going to spend it and get this place into shape so we can better serve the residents of Independence Township."

He not only wants residents to play with the equipment, but he'd like to get to the point where everything is on-line and viewable on the internet where they can stretch beyond the borders of just Independence Township.

Other media has its strengths, but I think video is extremely powerful," he said. "I think as people learn to use it we can help people create a lot better content than what most people are used to seeing on YouTube and stuff."

Barnhart came from the public television station for Michigan State University WKAR-TV, where he worked for 23 years in a variety of positions. He said the experience has helped prepare him for his current one, where he will be wearing many different hats.

"I got my degree from MSU in telecommunications and video production. I



New CPAC Director Joe Barnhart. Photo by Trevor Keiser

am a Spartan and I don't deny that," he said with a laugh. "Today is a good day to be a Spartan."

He lives in Langsberg near Lansing with his wife Sheryl and their four kids, Josh, 20, Rachel, 17, Drew, 14 and Anna, 10.

"My four kids are in school there and my wife has a job in the Lansing area," Barnhart said. "We are kind of entrenched where we

However, he is very excited to be working

in Independence Township and the opportunities he's been given.

"I think this place is loaded with potential," Barnhart said. "It's neat to start somewhere fresh. I've never had the chance to do that before and bring some fresh ideas and a different perspective to the place."

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April Fool's Run, 10K run, 5K run/walk,\$25; 1-mile run, \$10, 8 a.m., March 31, Clarkston Community Church, 300 Clarkston Road, www.highfiveraces.com.

Annick Hivert-Carthew will speak on Early French Medieval Gardens, Springfield Garden Club, 10 a.m., April 4. Springfield Township Civic Center Meeting Room, 12000 Davisburg Road. \$1.

Prayer Vigil Day for Children, Seymour Lake United Methodist Church, 9 a.m. -3 p.m., April 7, Seymour Lake and Sashabaw Roads. Call Linda Britton at 248-625 7977 to submit first names of children for prayer.

Clinton River Watershed Council presentation, Little Things You Can Do To Keep Our Water Clean presentation, 7:30-8:30 p.m., April 11, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Free. 248-601-0606.

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Spring Book Sale, 10 a.m., April 25-28, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, 248-391-4424.

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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.

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.

Creative Writing Workshop, Mondays, April 2 May 7, 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m., \$15, \$20 for non-members. Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

50+ Line Dancing, Mondays, 1-4 p.m. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road, Dance to country, salsa, cha-cha and rock and roll rhythms with Rosemary Hall to exercise your body and mind! Ongoing @ \$3.00 pp. drop in fee.

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Picklebell, 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.

Gentle Yoga with Rev. Matthew, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 10 a.m. Bring practice mat or towel. Free-will offerings. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 8080A Octonville Road, 248-891-4365.

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.

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.

Widowed Franks, 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.

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

Bereavement Grief Education Support Group, eight-week series beginning March 27, 6-8 p.m., McLaren Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. RSVP, 248-922-6606.

Wednesday

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

Tell Us About Your Travels, third Wednesday through October, 6-7:30 p.m., Library Community Meeting Room, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

· Thursday

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

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

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fore, 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. March 15: Barbara Rollin and Mary Melega from Independence Township Senior Center. Refreshments served. All welcome. 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 Drrive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610

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

DivorceCare facilitated discussion, Thursdays, 6:45-8:30 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road, room 122. 248-625-1611.

General Support Group for anyone with a cancer diagnosis, fourth Thursday, 2-3 p.m., McLaren Cancer institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. 248-922-6623

Saturday

Preschool Vision Screening for children 6 months-5 year, second Saturday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Photos taken of child's eyes to check for potential vision problems. Immediate results. Free. Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, www.clarkstonlions.org.

Kid's Camp Yoga, Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Hot Yoga, 3678 Sashabaw Road. \$7, for ages 5-10.248-620-7101.

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

Voluntaer apportunities

Volunteering, Avalor Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, personal care, or just be there. Two hours a week or more. 800-664-6334; Oakland County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, 248-559-1147; McLaren Hospice, not-for-profit, companionship-type to visit and provide emotional support for patients living with terminal illness, 248-320-0106. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Oakland County, 55+, opportunities at hespitals, cultural institutions, food pantries; schools. 248-559-1147 ast, 3427.

Hank and Kari

Brown-Passmore

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brown of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter Kari A. to Hank D. Passmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Passmore of

The couple is to be married in October at Clarkston Community Church. Kari, a 2003 Clarkston

High School graduate, received her Bachelor's Degree at Saginaw Valley State University. Hank, a 2000 CHS graduate, received his Bachelor's Degree at Eastern Michigan University and his Master's Degree at Oakland University.

The couple met while they were

working for Clarkston Schools.

Kari is currently working for New Horizons Rehabilitation Centers of Davisburg as a case manager. Hank is currently working for Clarkston Schools as a Special Education teacher.

The couple will reside in Sterling Heights.

Students achieve success

Wendy Combs has been named to the President's Honor List for the fall semester 2011 for having earned a GPA of 4.0 at the University of South Caro-

Wendy was a 2011 graduate of Clarkston High School and is the daughter of Brian and Jill Combs of Clarkston.

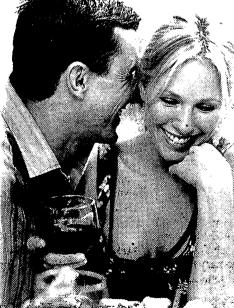
Central Michigan University's fall semester honors list includes Clarkston students Matthew I. Alexander, Ryan Michael Alexander, Anthony Paul Anderson, Justin William Baetz, Scott David Barker. Lauren P. Blaszkowski, Derek Mark Booker, Elliott Illges Brown, Melinda Ann Cabaj, Krista J. Cassisi, Meredith Lynee Clark, Ashley Rose Cleary, Jennifer Martha Coates, Katelyn Amalia Coates, Chelsea Marie Collias, Lauren R. Culver, Rebecca Leah Culver, Melanie Louise Dunnigan, Lauren M. Elias, Taylir Marie Emery, Celeste Luette Evans, Catherine J. Feltner, Timothy Lee Ginn, Hannah Lee Grimaldi, Hillary Logan Hacker, Maria Lyn Henige, Jennifer Anne Jochum, Chelsea Alexandra Johnson, Lauren

Nicole Johnson, Lindsay Ann Kolich, Jordan A. LaPorte, Katarzyna K. Laskowska, Jessica Daras Lazoen, Morgan Taylor Leaym, Matthew Albert Lewis, Megan B. Malloy, Lauren Marie McLeod, Casev E. Merte, Brittany Rose Noble, Abbey Isabelle Podbielski, Kaci Marie Poland, Lauren Elizabeth Ring, Kirsten E. Rogers, Christine Lynette Rozwadowski, Jessica Nicole Scagnoli, Nathan James Schultz, **Kevin Michael Thompson, Rachel** Lvnn Thompson, William Robert Thompson, Chelsea Elizabeth Warner, Kelly Elizabeth Woo, Kristina Marie Work, and Aaron Joseph Wright, and Davisburg students Kimberly L. Mastalski, Davis P. Nixon, Lauren E. O'Leary. Nicole Rombach, and Hillary Marie Turner.

Central Michigan University graduates, Décember 2011, include Kathryn Emerick of Clarkston with a Bachelor of Science in Education; and Davisburg students Lauren Spafford, Bachelor of Science; Sara Winkler, Bachelor of Arts, and Kaitlyn Woodard, Bachelor of Applied

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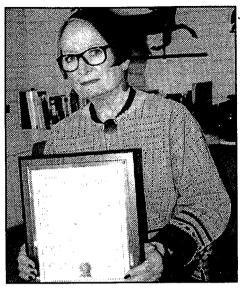


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Linda Meadors presents her proclamation from the Louise Saks Parliamentary Unit. *Photo by Trevor Keiser*

Parlimentary workshop

The Louise Saks Parliamentary Unit hosts its annual workshop at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, March 31, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Speakers will include Bloomfield Hills attorney William T. Myers' workshop "Effective Involvement in Your Condominium or Home Owner Association." The second speaker will be Carolyn Stubbs, president of the Michigan State Association of Parliamentarians, on "Annual Meetings: Your Time to Speak." Also, the new 11th Edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised will be available for purchase on the day of the workshop. Admission is \$15 by March 23, \$20 after, \$5 for students.

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners issued a Proclamation at its March 7 meeting announcing April as Parliamentary Law Month, accepted by LSPU President Linda Meadors of Independence Township.

For more information about the workshop contact Meadors at 248-375-0062 or e-mail bjbaauw1@aol.com

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Team members Anne-Marie Dargay, Caroline Dargay, Kalei McLennan, Mitchell Page, Alex Pouttu and Andrew Ross competed in Challenge D "News to Me."

Destination ImagiNation teams make finals

Two Clarkston Creativity Crew Destination ImagiNation teams advanced to the Affiliate Finals competition in Mount Pleasant, April 21.

The Regional Destination ImagiNation tournament was March 3 at Waterford Mott High School. More than 150 teams competed in six different challenges. Clarkston was represented by six teams in grades K-7. Two of those teams placed first, advancing to the Affiliate Finals. Teams finishing in the top two within their division at the Affiliate level competition go on to attend the Global Finals competition in May.

Team members Anne-Marie Dargay, Caroline Dargay, Kalei McLennan, Mitchell Page, Alex Pouttu and Andrew Ross, chose to compete in the "News to Me" Central Challenge. They had four minutes to create an improvisational skit, incorporating cooperative human scenery and props to enhance the skit.

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Although team members Brady Bergman, Maya Bergman, Sydnee McLennan, Brennan Pagac, Kevin Petkus, Grace Pouttu, and Grace Schroeder have only been working together for a few months, they successfully competed in the fine arts challenge called, "Coming Attrac-

They presented a "live" original movie trailer involving characters from at least two nations. They also had to design and incorporate a cinematic special effect and create an original soundtrack that complemented the movie trailer complete with costumes, backdrop and props.

Each team also had to perform in an Instant Challenge. The teams did not know what they were going to have to do ahead of time for this challenge. They had to rely on their creativity, problem-solving skills and teamwork in order to successfully solve the Instant Challenge.





Pine Knob team members Brady Bergman, Maya Bergman, Sydnee McLennan, Brennan Pagac, Kevin Petkus, Grace Pouttu, and Grace Schroeder chose challenge C, "Coming Attractions." *Photos provided*

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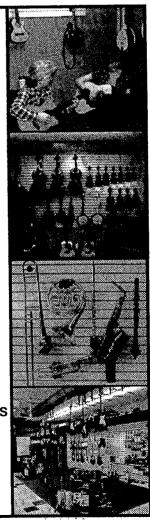
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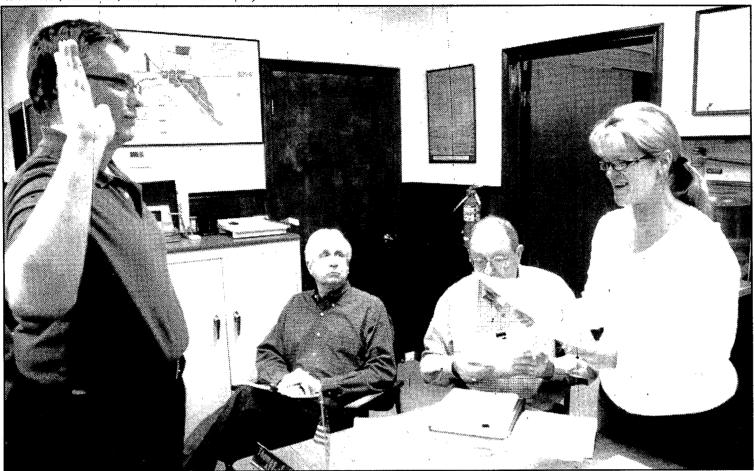
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Left, Michael Sabol is sworn in at the March 12 Clarkston City Council meeting as the newest councilman by city Clerk Kelly Richter. Sabol replaces former Councilman Chuck Inabnit, who resigned from council, Feb. 13. *Photo by Trevor Keiser*

In our churches...

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

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

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

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

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Spiritual

Matters

a principle in the word of God that is often imes overlooked.

It may seem small, but I believe this is a principle that can release the power and grace of God into any situation. We often take the first step in abedience to God's Word, but fail to take step two.

The first step involves discerning the enemy. Many people can discern that stealing, murder and lying are not of God and they need to stand against those behaviors.

Temptation, sickness, disease, lack, sin, anger, bitterness, hatred, resentment, fear, and pride are other enemies that we need to re-

The Word says that "The Devil walks about like a roating lion, seeking whom he may devour, who you must resist, steadfast in the faith knowing that the same afflictions. are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world (1 Pet. 5:8, 9).

Those negative attacks are evidence of an enemy seeking to devour you. His goal is to convince you to succumb to these enemies, and in turn, let them ruin your life. We need to resist the devil and his temptations. Step two brings the things of heaven down

My attention has recently been drawn to to this earth. It's the step of Faith! Let's see what it looks like.

Here are some examples from scripture that emphasize my point. When David faced Goliath, he recognized Goliath not only as Israel's enemy, but also God's enemy.

Step one for David was to discern the enemy. He then resisted and cast down all the negative words and circumstances that he was facing. The size of Goliath, the fear that was in the camp of Israel, the size of his own physical stature and the verbal threats of Goliath were just a few of the circumstances that he over-

Pastor Jeff Stonerock

Step one was to consider the enemy and ignore the circumstances facing him.

However, step two is what brought the victory! David not only resisted the negative attacks, he took what I call "Step Two".

He considered the positive, then, verbally declared the bigness and faithfulness of his God. He then told Goliath that he would be defeated (II Sam. 17).

Throughout the New Testament, we see the same principal. Jesus said in Math. 5:44, "I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that despitefully use you and persecute you."

I Pet. 3:9 says, "Don't render evil for evil, or railing for railing but contrary wise, (step two) render blessing, knowing that ye are thereunto called, that you should inherit a blessing.

Can you see the principal? In all these cases you must not only stop from going in the wrong direction but you must turn and go the opposite direction.

Jesus, in the book of Mathew said, "If someone takes your coat, give him your cloak also, if someone compels you to go with him one mile, go with him two."

It's not enough to get rid of the negative, voti must move into the positive! Step two is the step of faith!

The Bible says were to cast down imagietions and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.

The word also declares that we are to think on those things that are true, honest, just,

pure, lovely, and of a good report. If there be any virtue, if there be any praise, think on

Jesus also taught that after a demon has gone out of a person that it will return to the house from which it came and if it finds it swept clean and empty that it will return with seven more spirits worse than itself.

In other words, the person, after being delivered, needs to take step two and fill the house with the Word of God so the demons can't re-enter

People naturally want to resist negative attacks, but it doesn't come natural to take step two actively pursuing the positive.

Meditating on God's word is the answer to finding the strength and actions that you need to move into Faith. Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

The Holy Spirit will always lead you in line with the word.

Don't just refrain from saying negative words. Speak what God's word say's about your situation!

Take the second step, the step of faith! Do What the Word says to do!

Jeff Stoperock is the Senior Pastor of Victory World Outreach Church.



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Hailee Maynard, Kiran Stump, Taylor Burnham, Trey Scovill, and Chase Landis plant red oak trees.

Eagles add to nature

Andersonville Elementary students held the acorns in their hands and after one final look placed them into the dirt on their sides, March 7.

Kelly Willard's fourth class carried their trays with dirt and soon-to-be-growing red oak trees back into the classroom to write down their observations.

They will continue to monitor them, writing down their observations once a week for six weeks until it is time to take them home and plant them.

"They will see how the trees grow," said Willard, explaining the program is new to Andersonville.

"Every single classroom and every stu-

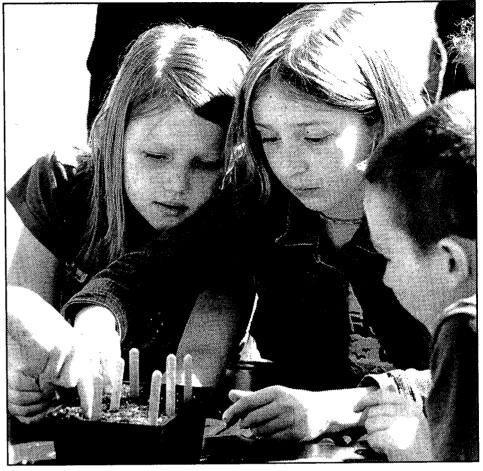
dent is getting an acorn to turn into trees," she continued.

The acorns and all the materials – plant trays, planting containers, spray bottles and potting soil mix – were provided by Trees for Living and Learning, a program created by Doug Pettypiece.

- "They are learning how to take care of the red oak and what it is," Willard added.

Last year the program provided acorns and planting materials to around 1,000 students. Not only are the Andersonville Eagles participating, but schools in Lake Orion and Pontiac are as well. For more information, visit www.treesforlivingandlearning.com.

~Wendi Reardon



Ashleigh Orlowski, Alex Henke, and Joe Featherston bury their acorns in the dirt. *Photos by Wendi Reardon*

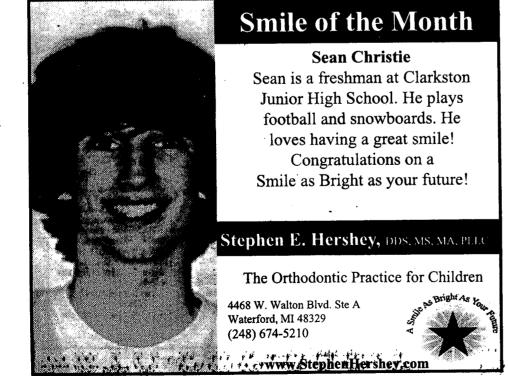
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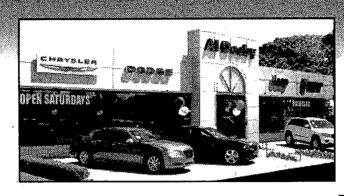






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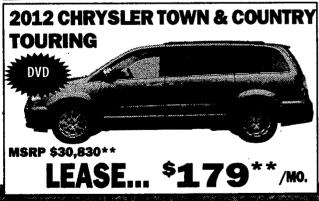


















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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON NEW DISTRICT POLICY
BULLYING AND OTHER AGGRESSIVE **BEHAVIOR TOWARD STUDENTS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on March 26, 2012, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at the Clarkston Board of Education Office, 6389 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan, the Board of Education of Clarkston Community Schools will hold a public hearing to consider new district policy regarding Bullying and Other Aggressive Behavior Toward

This hearing will be an opportunity for the public to review the new policy and provide feedback to the Board of Education. The Board of Education will have a first reading of this policy on March 26, 2012 and subsequent d reading/approval at an upcoming regular meeting of the Board. This policy must be approved prior to June 6, 2012. A copy of this new policy is available on the district website at www.clarkston.k12.mi.us or during normal business hours at 6389 Clarkston Road, Clarkston,

This notice is given by order of the Board of Educa-

Barry Bornier, Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **MARCH 13, 2012**

A Regular Budget Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 6:05 PM at the Independence Township Hall.
The Pledge of Allegiance was given

ROLL CALL: Present: Carson, Lohmeier, Pallotta, Petterson, Rosso, Wallace

Absent: Wagner There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Susan Hendricks, Finance Director; Carol Gabris, Human Resources Director; Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst; Ken Elwert, Parks, Recreation and Seniors Director

Appointment of Acting Chair - Approved D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
The meeting RECESSED at 6:08 PM

CLOSED SESSION: Union Negotiations, as permitted by MCL 15.286(c)

The meeting RECONVENED at 7:17 PM

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

BOARD / PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

PUBLIC HEARING: None Scheduled PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

Budget Presentation: Department of Parks, Recreation and Seniors (Ken Elwert, Parks, Recre-

CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS:

CONSENT AGENDA: None

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

REGULAR BUSINESS:

Administrative Fees: No action taken
PUBLIC COMMENT: None

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Board members disresed various tonics

COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / **REPORTS:** None

ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Budget Meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC Township Clerk

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND FILE NO: 2012-342, 121-DE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

Estate of MARIANNE E. POULIN, AK/A MARIANNE ELIZABETH POULIN, Date of birth; 06/11/1959.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, MARIANNE E. POULIN, ed01/29/2012

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to THOMAS A. POULIN, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representa after the date of publication of this notice.

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INDEPENDENCE TWP. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF **CLOSE OF REGISTRATION WITHIN** THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION ON **TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2012**

REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR THE SPECIAL ELEC-TION TO BE HELD Tuesday, May 8, 2012 to the Qualified Electors of the Charter Township of Independence,

County of Oakland, State of Michigan:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That in conformity with the Michigan Election law, the final date for registration in order to vote in the Special Election is Monday, April 9, 2012 by the close of business.

To vote at this election, all persons must be qualified registered voters as follows:

Citizens of the United States, 18 years old on or before the election date, have resided in the State of Michigan for at least thirty (30) days and have established a residence in the Charter Township of Indepen dence on or before the 30th day prior to Tuesday, May 8,

HOURS OF REGISTRATION: Notice is hereby given that registration will be taken during regular office hours Monday through Friday of each week, excluding holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Qualified electors may also register to vote or change their address in person at the following locations: the Oakland County Clerk's Office and Secretary of State Branch Offices by mail obtaining and completing a Voter Registration Application and for warding it to the election official designated on the application by the close of registration deadline

The Tuesday, May 8, 2012 Special Election will be conducted in all voting precincts of the Charter Township of Independence for the purpose of voting on the following proposal

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSITION

Shall Clarkston Community Schools, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds in one or more series therefor, for the purpose of:

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The following is for informational purposes only: The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2012 is 1 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is seventeen (17) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is .82 mill (\$0.82 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proce must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

Township Clerk

PUBLISHED & POSTED; Wednesday, March 28, 2012

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate**

Fatate of Laura Lassie Gay Joh ed Date of hirth: 4/16/1916

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Laura Lessie Gay Johnson,

ed 3/11/2012. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the es will be forever barred unless presented to Kenneth L. Johnson, na representative or proposed personal representative, or to both ate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac and the named/ proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals

leet on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 7:00 PM in the

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Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston, MI 48346, to hear the

Case #12-0001 Heverly, James, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS A VARIANCE FROM

Case #12-0002 Hambrick, Eric and Stephanie, Petition-

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Oakland Ridge Sub, Lot 14

7231 Deer Lake Ct., R-1B

Deer Lake Farms No. 2, Lot 81

5503/5509 Eagle View Ct., R-2

4616 Clinton., R-1A

08-34-452-029

08-19-178-004

ARTICLE III, DIVISION 24, SECTION 50-837 OF

THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CONSTRUCT

DETACHED GARAGE WITH PLACEMENT IN

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7' SIDE YARD VARIANCE ON NON-CONFORM-

APPLICANTS REQUEST EXTENSION OF A PRE-

VIOLISI Y GRANTED VARIANCE (CASE #11-0003.

ON 4/6/2011) FROM ARTICLE III, DIVISION 24

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Kathryn M. Caruso (P44723) Clarkston, MI 48346

Kenneth L. Johnson

Lena M. Mellen, 96

Lena M. Mellen of Clarkston, formerly of Pontiac, passed away March 19, 2012, at age

She was preceded in death by her husband George and five siblings. She was the mother of Leon "Skip" (Judy) and G. Michael (Tanya); grandma of Matt (Missie), Joel (Becky), Kimberly and Andrea; also survived by six



great grandchildren; sister of Bert (Gladys) Zumbrunnen and Ruth Hester.

Memorial service Saturday, March 31, 11 a.m. at Clarkston United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the church. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Edna Mosier, 90

Edna Mosier, "Ozelle," of Clarkston passed away March 14, 2012, at age 90.

She was preceded in death by her husband Herman and children Nancy Gonzalez and H. Boyd (Susan) Mosier. She was the beloved mother of Melvin Gene (Jeanette) Mosier and Gale (Patricia) Mosier; also survived by nine grandchildren, numerous great and great great grandchildren. Mrs. Mosier enjoyed spending time with her family.

Visitation was March 16 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Service was March 17 at the Waterford Church of Christ. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Salvation Army. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Janet Wilson, 76

Janet Wilson, "Marian," of Clarkston, formerly of Detroit, passed away suddenly March 17, 2012, at age 76.

She was the loving mother of Robert, John, Barbara (Ken) Carnwath and Linda (Tony) Carpani; loving grandmother of Cara, Ryan, Brad, Robert, Calvin, Brandon, Michelle, Ronald, Drew, Glenn, Troy, Valerie, and Brett;



also survived by three great grandchildren; sister of Bruce (Carolyn) Neilson and Catherine (Herb) Schaumburg.

Marian worked as a secretary at Horizon Health Systems and more recently at Carnwath Excavating. Her priority was her family.

Visitation was March 20 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral service Wednesday, 11 a.m., at Clarkston Free Methodist Church. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Waterford. Memorials may be made to American Heart Association. Online guestbook

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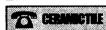
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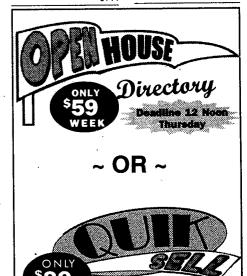
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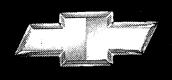


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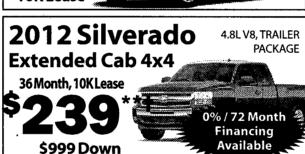
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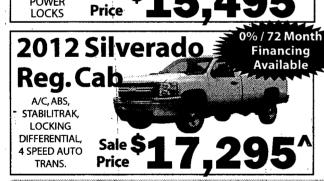
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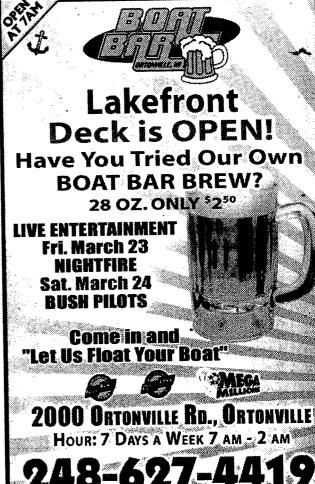
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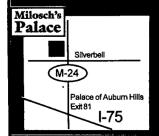


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