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Drought hits crops, bees, bottom line

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

If you did a rain dance in celebration of the precipitation last week, you're not alone.

Michigan, like 50 percent of the United States, is suffering from drought conditions. While Michigan's drought isn't as severe as some other states, farmers in Davisburg and Clarkston are feeling the impact of the hot, dry weather, and so are consumers.

Mike Lorimer, owner of Rattalee Lake Tree Farm, planted 2,000 new seedlings this year, and he believes "35 to 40 percent of our seedlings have been lost" due to the drought. Lorimer doesn't have an irrigation system and said he's "at a decision point about hiring a water truck."

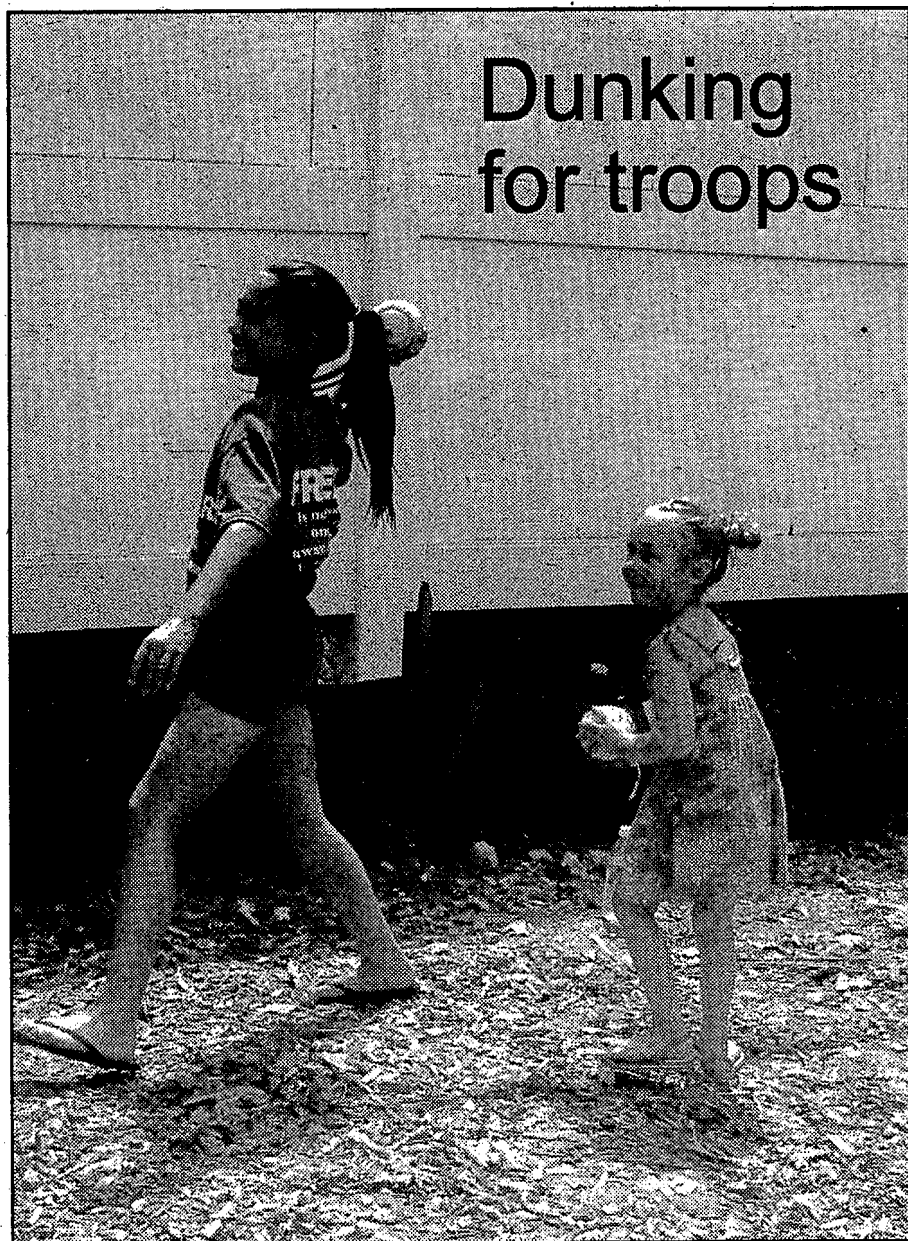
The expense of a truck is not the only strain on Lorimer's pocketbook; he's also missed out on potential sales at the Clarkston Farmer's Market. "We intended on being a part of the Farmer's Market, but felt it was too much of a risk to bring the trees and held off on digging," he said.

Davisburg grower Sylvia Ritchie has been able to make it to the market with her excess produce. To do so, she starts watering at 4 a.m. and has had to water more often because of the lack of rain, but the growth of some of her vegetables has been stunted.

"Greens become bitter in this type of weather," Ritchie explained. She's also noticed her "melons and squashes that usually like hot weather wilt[ing] because of the heat."

Clarkston Christmas tree farmer Jim Armstrong has also been affected by the drought. The needles of his evergreens are "turning yellow and falling off" and he has

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Michaela Rodriguez, at left, and Sophie Heisserer take aim at the dunk tank target at Backyard Jam, July 21. The annual event raises funds for troops overseas. Please see page 12B for more pictures. Photo by Phil Custodio.

Water woes

Ponds need dredging, or just wait for rain

In Part 2 in a series on low water levels this summer in Clarkston's Mill Pond, we examine possible solutions.

BY MARY KECK

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For Bob Ryeson, the upper portion of Mill Pond "needs dredging" to get rid of accumulated sediment in the water. In 1975, Mill Pond residents paid approximately \$40,000 for dredging.

The Mill Pond subcommittee has already looked into dredging as a solution, said representative Frank Shoebel.

"As far as dredging it, it'd be hard to get permits," he said.

It is also a matter of expense. When the subcommittee considered dredging, Shoebel recalls an estimate of \$250,000 to \$300,000.

They also "toyed around with limited dredging to get [the pond] back to its original stream, but it still would be expensive," Shoebel said.

"I don't see that [dredging] would be a miracle fix," Bob Roth said. "We just need rain."

On July 10, the Mill Pond Subcommittee held an informal meeting to discuss the water level of the pond; approximately 30 concerned citizens attended. Mill Pond Resident Ralph Daigle spoke up.

"I want to know what written authority from the state of Michigan allows [Adler] to control a public waterway," he said.

"I'm for playing hardball," Daigle exclaimed.

When Daigle suggested the residents of the pond issue a "lawsuit for damages to their property," he received a resounding round of applause. Some called out, "we're with you!"

While many were supportive of taking legal action, others hoped to solve the issue of the low water levels by other means. Hank Radcliff, who operated the dam for eight years while the Hawks owned the property, thinks the situation "can be solved if we work together" and believes "there is enough water probably to satisfy both parties."

He suggested if Mill Pond residents "come together with the Mills owners, and the citizens come up with a dam budget, they might

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From left are Lola Koch, Jim Brueck, and Trish Hennig. Photo by Mary Keck

Rain Garden offers more than beauty

BY MARY KECK
Clarkston News Staff Writer

If you've noticed a few extra blooms in Depot Park, you might be looking at the Wild Ones' Rain Garden. It's more than just a pretty spot, however.

"It's helping to manage parking lot run off, filtering, and taking out salt in the storm water," said Jim Brueck, president of the North Oakland Wild Ones.

While the beauty of the purple, white, and yellow flowers makes walking in the park more enjoyable, it's the beauty you can't see that the Wild Ones hope people notice.

"Beauty is in the eye of the beholder," said Brueck.

Rain gardens like the one in downtown Clarkston improve water quality and support biodiversity by attracting pollinators like bees and butterflies.

Due to its use of native plants, the rain garden "welcomes natural wildlife," Brueck explained.

For instance, cup plants with yellow flowers shaped like sunbursts "hold water, which feeds insects, butterflies, hummingbirds," said Wild Ones vice president Trish Hennig.

"Their leaves are staggered, which maximizes the water" the cup plants can hold, Hennig said.

Native fauna growing in the rain garden like Swamp Milkweed, Boneset, and Culver's Root offer similar services to local bugs.

It isn't just buzzing insects and birds that gain from the Wild Ones' garden, however. The filtrated water running through the Rain Garden flows into the stream in the park and eventually into the Clinton River chain, said Brueck.

The cleaner water improves groundwater, which is advantageous for many Michiganders whose faucets are connected to underground wells.

Fortunately, rain gardens aren't only for parks. People can grow native plants and filter water in their own backyards by planting near their rain gutters or along their shorelines.

Rain gardens can come in a variety of shapes and sizes; they "don't have to be tall" like the Depot Park garden, said Wild Ones' Lola Koch.

"You can grow lower plants" to keep your garden short. Depending on the plants, a rain garden can be grown in the shade too.

After watching their Rain Garden grow since 2006 and winning the Keep Michigan Beautiful Award in 2010, the Wild Ones are thinking of planting flowers and more in other places downtown.

For instance, they'd like to expand the work they've done around Clarkston's Mill Pond through shoreline restoration and adding pathways and benches. To find out more go to www.wildones.org/chapters/northoakland.

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Waves of frustration hit pond residents

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be able to develop funding to pay for a dam" to keep water in the upper pond.

Radcliff described his experience while operating the dam, saying he looked at the pond everyday and would make changes according to the level.

He believes at least three people are needed to run the dam regularly and wondered if Ed Adler or Bob Roth would be willing to turn over operation of the dam.

Roth doesn't believe the dam is being operated improperly. He watches the rain to determine when to open or close the dam but doesn't keep a record of the changes he makes.

City Councilman and Mill Pond subcommittee member Steve Hargis wondered if the City couldn't "work something out with Roth and Adler to let the DPW control the dam and give the responsibility to some people already on the city's payroll."

Roth was not open to the idea, however. "If you are going to take over operation, you have to take over responsibility," he said.

From building a new dam to dredging, the Mill Pond residents are seeking a solution to the low water levels.

However, Gary Tressel, a city engineer who was asked to speak at the subcommittee meeting said, no matter what, "it's going to be big dollars."

The question of cost and who bears it is of concern to the residents. During a meeting with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) on June 29, Mill Pond Dam owner Ed Adler said he's tried to give up ownership, but no one is willing to take responsibility of the dam.

At the July 10 subcommittee meeting, citizens debated possibilities regarding possession of the dam.

Mill Pond resident Mike Fetzer was suspicious of the owner's willingness to give up the dam. He thinks "they want to sell it so they can benefit and we have to take responsibility and assume liability."

From Fetzer's point of view, "they accepted legal responsibility when they bought the property."

When the DEQ met with Adler and other concerned parties about the pond on July 29, District Supervisor of the Water Resources Division Andrew Hartz said, "If Ed Adler wants the dam to be someone else's responsibility, he doesn't need our permission to sell or turn over the dam."

Hartz explained the purpose of DEQ's visit was "to look at the issue today, understand the residents concerns, and speak with the owner. We will continue to investigate and will soon provide information to the owner about the inflows and outflows [of water] to stay in compliance with state law."

The Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Chief of Dam Safety Program Byron



DEQ representatives Bethany Perris and Andrew Hartz measure the flow of water into the Mill Pond near Bluegrass Street. Photo by Mary Keck.

Lane said, "Michigan law governs inland lakes, and an owner cannot diminish the size of a lake without a permit from the DNR. There's no law that requires training to operate a dam; no law that governs how a dam should be operated."

He also pointed out that the low water level may not be due to poor operation of the dam.

"In Michigan in general, water levels do get lower in the summer, and this has been a pretty dry stretch," said Lane.

The Oakland County Lake Improvement Board does monitor lake levels for special assessment districts, and the Mill Pond is one of the water bodies the Lake Improvement Board monitors, but they don't oversee its water level.

"We don't have control over the lake level, unless it was a court ordered legal lake level or if we were petitioned to have maintenance or ownership of the dam. That would be the only time we would get involved," said Jacy Garrison who is the county representative on the board.

According to Garrison, the Lake board's duties when it comes to the Mill Pond only include hiring someone to do weed treatments and goose control programs because the dam is privately owned.

On the other hand, "if 50 percent of homeowners around the lake signed a petition, the county could take over the dam and set up a special assessment district" said

Byron Lane of the DNR.

Such a petition would require the level of the pond to remain at a specified height.

While dredging or changing owners of the dam are some possible solutions, residents along the pond can reduce weeds by being mindful of fertilizer use.

According to Hydro-geologist and Storm Water Specialist Tammie Heazlit, residents "can't put fertilizer on their grass and expect it to not have an effect on the Mill pond."

"Fertilizers cause algae growth, which depletes the oxygen levels and kills fish," Heazlit explained.

She recommended reducing fertilizers and placing "buffer strips along the pond to keep debris and sediment down" to help with vegetation growth.

For now, those along the Mill Pond shoreline are weighing their options, but aren't pleased with the responses they've received.

"Outside of lip service, I haven't seen anything done" since Ralph Daigle first contacted the DNR and DEQ in September of 2011.

"If the DNR works for the people, I expect more out of my public servants," he said.

Frank Shoebel agreed to organize a meeting with pond residents and DEQ representatives who might be able to better respond to their queries.

Shoebel also hopes to provide estimates for dredging. As of July 13, Shoebel's phone calls to the DEQ had not been answered.

Briefly

No CNews picks

The Clarkston News hasn't endorsed any candidate for the Aug. 7 primary — the paper has been filled with your thoughts and opinions lately, especially this week.

Check out next week's edition for an election special section for candidates' views and positions, as well as our thoughts about it.

Library board filled

Seats on the District Library Board for the proposed Clarkston Independence District Library have filled up. On July 17, Township Board appointed five members of the seven-member board; the Clarkston City Council chose the other two members on July 23. Independence residents Marilyn Pomeroy, Michele Ginn, Allison McFadden-Keesling, Evan Markarian, and Jeanne Molzen will represent the township. The city appointed Mary Himgurg and Kay Robertson.

For more info, check www.inde.lib.org.

McLaren awaits CON

Despite denial by the state of McLaren's Certificate of Need (CON), the first reading of McLaren Hospital building plans was July 17 at the Independence Township board meeting.

The proposed four-story hospital will include a transfer of 200 beds and 50 additional specialty beds. McLaren representative Greg Lane said they are appealing the CON denial and will likely file suit in federal court.

The appeal process takes 60-90 days. Plans for the McLaren hospital are available for citizens to view on www.twp.independence.mi.us.

Labor Day parade

Clarkston Rotary Club is seeking parade participants for the Clarkston Labor Day Parade, 10 a.m., Monday, Sept. 3.

The club, which has sponsored the parade for the last 72 years, invites groups, organizations, businesses, musical groups, marching bands, floats, equestrians, and children and families on decorated bikes. Political candidates are asked to make a \$50 charitable donation to Clarkston Rotary.

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DANCE IN THE PARK: Macey Rae Wisser dances to the sounds of Latin salsa by Orquesta Ritmo during the last Concert in the Park for the summer. Photo by W. Reardon

Township to look at drilling in park

BY MARYKECK
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The township stands to gain about \$5,000 per month or more if Jordan Development finds oil or gas beneath Bay Court Park. On July 17, the board asked Superintendent Bart Clark to continue investigating the lease of minerals in Bay Court.

Chris Bickley, Land Manager for Jordan Development, said there was a 50/50 chance of finding oil or gas in the ground under the park; however, without drilling, there is no way to know for certain what minerals are beneath the surface.

The process of searching "takes about a month to put a well in place, during that operation you'll have trucks, you'll have noise, you'll have construction, possibly odors," said Clark.

According to Bickley, the drilling site would be "restored as much as possible" after investigating for oil or gas.

While Jordan Development's lease lasts only five years, if a well produces minerals, extraction could last from 15-20 years, Bickley stated.

Because the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) won't allow drilling within the park, the company could drill up to two miles from Baycourt and laterally withdraw oil or gas from pools 2,000 to 3,000 feet below the earth. During an auction in Lansing, Jordan Development acquired leases for 98 acres of Township land.

During the meeting, the board insisted the agreement with Jordan Development would not allow horizontal hydraulic fracturing (fracking), a controversial technique of extracting natural gas Jordan Development has used in Northern Michigan. Local anti-fracking activists have recently held events to gather signatures on a petition that would amend the Michigan Constitution to ban fracking.

Some attending the meeting had recommendations for the board as they continue to investigate. Nanci Anderson-Bereznicki, candidate for treasurer, suggested the board include "a penalty if we found out" fracking was done.

Trustee candidate Joette Kunse wanted the board to find out "how much water is going to be used and what chemicals are going to be used in the drilling."

Trustee Larry Rosso was the only member of the board who voted against looking into oil and gas drilling further.

He said, "I don't think it's worth our time. There's too many inherent risks with the environment, and it will just stimulate more controversy, and we don't need more controversy." While the board is not obligated to sign the lease, Jordan Development may drill for oil and gas anyway through permission from a private landowner.

Burn revision fizzles out

BY MARYKECK
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It wasn't leaves that went up in flames at the Independence Township Board meeting, July 17, but the second reading of the Open Burn Ordinance. It was voted down, 3-2.

Revisions to the ordinance would have included tougher penalties for burn violators, lower age limit for those supervising a fire, ban of leaf burning on lots less than an acre, and restriction of burning 50 feet from a building or structure, as opposed to the current ordinance's 25 feet.

A second reading of the ordinance would have made the change official; however, some members of the board weren't ready to commit. Clerk Barb Pallotta and Trustee David Lohmeier, who had voted in favor of the first reading, wanted to postpone the ordinance change.

"I'm not hearing that the residents are opposed to banning burning," Pallotta said. "What everyone seems to be saying unanimously is that what they need is this board to make a plan for them to dispose of their leaves economically."

Pallotta wanted the board to wait on the decision until an alternative was devised that wouldn't ask residents to choose between

"putting food on the table or getting rid of leaves."

Trustee David Lohmeier agreed.

"I really want us to do something to alleviate the folks who are burdened by this health wise... but I don't think this gets us there," he said.

"I am not for this ordinance change," said Treasurer Curt Carson, who voted against the revisions previously. "We need to provide an alternative."

Trustees Neil Wallace and Larry Rosso didn't think the decision should be postponed.

"There's a cost of us doing nothing, and that's the health, safety, and well-being of people in this community," Wallace said.

"We're weighing convenience with quality of life," added Rosso.

In the end, Rosso and Wallace voted for changing the Open Burn Ordinance and Pallotta, Carson, and Lohmeier voted against it.

Trustee Mark Petterson did not attend the meeting. When the revision was not approved, the decision was met with applause from many of those who attended.

The board's next meeting is July 31 at 7pm in Township Hall.



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Drought may cause higher prices

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"to trim more than normal to get rid of dead branches."

Although Armstrong's trees are still maturing, their growth is "not as fast as usual," he said.

Typically his pines grow a foot each year, but they've only been growing 2-3 inches. Jim's Christmas Tree farm doesn't have an irrigation system, so Armstrong can only "rely on Mother Nature" for watering.

The lack of rain is only the tip of the iceberg, however. Armstrong also provides a bee swarm capture service, and with temperatures breaking 100 degrees, "we're seeing more swarms this spring and summer," he said. Temperatures are usually between 85-90 degrees inside a hive, Armstrong said. So, when it is hotter outside, bees will leave their hives and don't stay inside to make honey. Armstrong has already picked up seven swarms, one of which was lodged in the grill and radiator compartment of an automobile.

According to Armstrong, the bees are swarming because they're seeking cooler places. Swarms of worker bees fly in circles around their queen and can travel for 3-4 days seeking a notch in a tree or a hole in a house. On the other hand, bees may choose to stay at their hive and fan it with their wings to keep the heat down, but the fanning expends energy they might use otherwise to gather pollen.

Even if the bees aren't fanning or swarming to keep cool, they aren't necessarily collecting pollen to make honey because "many nectar-producing flowers aren't producing nectar," said Roger Sutherland, former president of Southeastern Michigan Beekeepers Association (SEMBA).

If the bees can't find nectar, they "use up honey stores" they've developed previously, Sutherland said.

The drought has added to the problems caused by the unusually warm March and late April frost, Sutherland explained. The blossoms that opened in early spring were destroyed by the later freeze, and their nectar is now unavailable, said Sutherland.

"Bees mainly collect nectar in spring," he explained, "their timing was thrown off."

The mild winter allowed more bees and other insects to survive, but with more bees, the need for honey consumption increases, and the bees consume what they can't gather from flowers. If they eat up their honey stores, they won't survive the winter and beekeepers like Jeff Pryjomski of Davisburg may have to supplement with sugar water.

The population rise of certain insects due to the mild winter is another problem for bees. For example, wax moths will infest a hive. "Their grubs tunnel through the comb and make a spider-webby mess," said Pryjomski. Mites can also become a problem.

"Last year, as fast as I took honey, the bees were putting more out," Pryjomski said.



Beekeeper Jeff Pryjomski will have less honey this year. Photo by M. Keck

"This year, I don't know."

Pryjomski has 42 hives, and his bees produced 47 five-gallon buckets of honey by this time last summer.

"Not this year," he said.

Since the bees are overheated and have missed out on the pollen of the usual spring and summer blossoms, Pryjomski believes "our next biggest hope is the goldenrod, but without rain," there won't be many goldenrods producing pollen.

"If you don't have pollination, you don't get a harvest," said Jim Armstrong.

Each time a honey bee touches down on a plant, they get doused in pollen. Male and female plants rely on pollen-covered bees to help them reproduce.

The lack of pollination coupled with low precipitation has caused many growers to opt out of farmers' markets. According to Clarkston Farmers' Market Manager Anissa Howard, "farms have called and delayed."

Large blueberry farms, which usually produce lots of berries only have a few, she said. One farmer cancelled altogether while Howard's beekeeper "has a tenth of the honey she usually has."

Some Farmers' Market shoppers have asked Howard, "where are all the farmers we usually see?" Howard notes without a watering system, many are losing their crops on large farms whereas gardeners with smaller, easier-to-water plots are having better luck.

It isn't just the seasonal local produce markets feeling the pinch, however.

Dale Hollandsworth of Kroger's Consumer Communications department said, "It could be a difficult year in terms of available crops."

The reduced amount of available produce like corn and apples could raise prices.

"If cost of commodities go up, the customers will see a raise in cost," Hollandsworth stated.

While Kroger makes "a concerted effort to sell Michigan products," if local producers don't have crops available, customers will see fewer Michigan-grown foods, he said.

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Wild Ideas

A column by Mary Keck

Garden remedies

I've been building toad houses of rocks and tree bark to keep the bugs at bay. Gathering and stacking stones in shady places near my plants made me curious about what local gardeners do to keep healthy greens. So, I asked around.

Green Thumb Toni Mariucci creates a concoction with cinnamon, baking soda, chamomile, and milk then sprays it on her zucchini if she notices mold growing. Toni also makes teas out of radish leaves and chilies to kill larvae left by insects.



For bigger pests, try Lois Robbins' method. Her basil, kale, eggplant, scaveola, and impatiens were nightly victims of raccoon vandalism until she found a "natural" product made of coyote urine.

"It worked beautifully," Lois said.

Although raccoons and mold may be temporary troubles, long-term planning can help prevent gardening snares throughout the spring and summer. Lacie Greives creates "a living mulch" by sprinkling organic clover seeds in all of her garden beds. As the clover grows, it pulls nitrogen out of the air and into the soil constantly enriching the plants. It also provides shade, reducing Lacie's need to water. As the clover spreads, it chokes out weeds, and attracts beneficial insects when it flowers.

"My gardens look better than they've ever looked," Lacie said.

One of Grower Trevor Newman's favorite natural mulches is the comfrey plant, which "is grown as a chop-n-drop mulch plant and can be cut three to four times throughout the season to be used as nutrient rich mulch." Trevor suggests using comfrey mulch in your vegetable garden and around berry bushes and fruit trees.

While mulch on the top of your soil offers benefits, considering what's beneath the ground can help too. Mark Angelini recommended, "raising composting worms. By feeding them kitchen and garden scraps, they produce high quality compost (worm castings) and a nutrient rich tea (worm urine) that can be sprayed on plants or used to drench the soil," he said. Mark thinks asking worms for a little help with composting ensures soil and plant health, providing the gardener with long-term productivity.

Whether it's worm or coyote urine, cinnamon, clover or comfrey, I hope these garden remedies help you keep healthy plants growing. If you have a favorite remedy you'd like to share, email me at mary@shermanpublications.org.

Letters To The Editor . . .

Iacocca for Kittle

Dear Editor,

I met Pat Kittle in November 1978 when I first joined Chrysler.

Pat was a member of the Special Security Team assigned to my family and me. Pat served in this role for almost seven years during which time he completed his MBA while working in excess of 60 hours per week on top of raising a family of his own.

Over the years, Pat proved to be a loyal, honest and trusted employee and a devoted friend of the family. After leaving my personal staff, Pat worked his way up the corporate ladder to become a member of the Sales and Marketing Executive Leadership team.

Chrysler lost a great executive when Pat retired. Independence Township is about to gain a great Township Supervisor when Pat wins the Aug. 7 primary.

Lee A. Iacocca, Chrysler Chairman of the Board, retired

No endorsement from exec

Dear Editor,

Despite the rumors that are floating around, I have not endorsed any one for the local office in Independence Township, including any candidate for township supervisor.

Even though I am a resident of Independence Township and very much concerned with what happens here, I do not think it is appropriate for me to weigh in with a recommendation. Frankly, I trust the good people of Independence Township to be able to sort out in the primary the very best folks to represent them.

Best of luck to all.

Sincerely,

*L. Brooks Patterson
Oakland County Executive*

A vote for Kittle

Dear Editor,

I write today to whole-heartedly support Pat Kittle for Independence Township supervisor.

I have known Pat for over 30 years. I have come to know him as a man of integrity. He's a straight-shooter who gets to the heart of any matter thoroughly and will do it without all the dramatics and grandstanding we see from the group of so called leaders in place today.

He's always been a hard working, level-headed individual and I assure you he will do what's best for our community.

He is not motivated by personal platitudes nor for the glory of hearing his name being praised. He is not one to speak merely to hear himself talk. He doesn't claim to be the smartest man in the room, nor is he loudest. If he is doing something, he is doing it for what he

believes are the "right" reasons.

In short, he is the right person for Independence Township supervisor. This community deserves somebody as refreshingly open and honest as Pat Kittle. I encourage you to vote for truly the best man for the job on Aug. 7

Jim White,

Independence Township

Picks by Doc O'Neill

Dear Editor,

In the upcoming election we all have the opportunity to elect an Independence Township Board that serves all of the citizens in a respectful, distinguished and helpful manner.

In my opinion, I feel the meetings shouldn't last for more than 2-3 hours. To keep it legal, let's finish the meetings on the same day. If we run the meetings effectively and make wise use of our consultants, we may have extra money for police, fire, recreation, etc.

I am endorsing Todd Waring for supervisor and Jose Aliaga and Ron Ritchie for trustees. Jeff Decker has a lot of real estate experience and, in my opinion, he would make an excellent clerk. I also feel Paul Brown would make an excellent treasurer.

*James A. O'Neill, MD
Independence Township*

Clark supports Wallace

Dear Editor,

I have known Neil Wallace since I moved to Clarkston in 2005 and became involved in local community affairs. Since that time, I have found Neil to be an intelligent, energetic and above all an honest man who deeply cares about the well-being of Independence Township.

Neil is a longtime resident of Independence Township. He has played an active role in local matters from the time he served as chair of the Planning Commission beginning in 1982 to his first service as township trustee in 1996 and then elected again to trustee in 2008.

As a current township trustee, Neil is an active participant in many aspects of township affairs.

He has been instrumental in guiding the township through the recent difficult economic times. His managerial and administrative skills have been the driving force in improving the efficiency of township operations.

In my present role as township superintendent, I have sought Neil's counsel many times on a wide variety of issues. Each time, he has given me wise and thoughtful advice. I am extremely pleased that Neil is a candidate for township supervisor.

Without hesitation, I fully endorse him for that position and I urge all Independence Township residents to vote for him Aug. 7.

*Bart L. Clark, superintendent
Independence Township*

Please see pages 8A-20A for more letters

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1997

"Just what is this righteous mission?" The volunteers of Righteous Mission remembered their friends Courtney Johns who had died in a plane crash the year before. The missionaries wore T-shirts with her name on them and most of the money for their projects was provided by a fund in Courtney's name.

"Where will the new school be?" As sister school to Springfield Plains Elementary was one of the options Clarkston Board of Education was considering for a location for a new elementary. The other two properties they were considering were at Rattalee Lake Road, near Reese Road, and Clarkston Road, on the same property as the administration building.

"Township continues to preserve its legacy" The Independence Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved \$9,830 of its \$260,000 in mid-decade census payments for historic preservation purposes, as recommended by Dale Stuart, township supervisor.

25 years ago - 1987

"Home builder wins energy efficiency award" Consumers power presented the Energy Efficiency Home Award to the house building company of Tim Warner, an Independence Township resident. Warner said that the houses his company built were so energy efficient that residents could double their living space and cut their energy bill in half.

"Clarkston girls shooting for the gold" Hope and Cary Newport of Independence Township planned to skip an out of state national competition for smallbore rifle shooting and instead attempt to win the gold medal at the Great Lakes State Games in Marquette.

50 years ago - 1962

"Jaycees to sell-install seat belts sat. and sun" Wisconsin, New York and Virginia passed laws that required all new cars to be manufactured with seatbelts. Nine other states, including Michigan, had also passed legislation regarding seatbelts. Many people had concerns that seatbelts were potentially less safe than the alternative, but studies showed that wasn't the case.

"Local News" Mrs. Lilly Trotter of Govan in Glasgow, Scotland was the dinner guest at the home of her nephew and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watson of Snowapple Drive.

Stalemate in D.C., news now all speculation

Let's see if I have this right:
President Barack Obama won't show us his birth certificate.
Presidential candidate Mitt Romney won't release his 2011 tax reports.

Congress is immobile, inept and incapable of agreeing on anything except leaving town.

Try as hard as these three units will to create ill feeling toward our democracy, I'm still proud to be an American, which really stretches my will power.

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Oxford was the home of Brace Beemer, the radio Lone Ranger. He was my neighbor, after I bought three of his 360 acres from him and built a house. He died in 1965.

His grandchildren came here recently and wanted to see Brace's tack house, which he built on what is now my three acres.

It's knotty pine paneled, with a bar, but is used only as a collect-all for "stuff."

These grandkids are collecting notes of Brace's life, and that's when I learned one day Brace decided to take his horse, Silver, upstairs in his 2-story country

home.

Brace then learned horses don't like going down stairs. He had to have a window removed, hire a truck with a crane, wrap Silver in ropes and lift him back down to earth.

Jim's Jottings



a column by
Jim Sherman

Politics and corruption.
Are they synonymous?

Being retired and having this space to fill each week, I do a lot of speculative thinking and wondering.

Like: Is the atmosphere surrounding people elected, or appointed to government-associated jobs different than that surrounding bank robbers?

I get the feeling at times that those taking tax-payers' money think what they are doing is not robbing.

Like, it's really nobody's money, it's just money sent by oblivious, no-name people, and therefore unaccountable.

So, it's not like robbing or stealing. It's just small amounts of the billions of dollars sent to Washington,

and the little bit a government employee takes won't be found by auditors who are also government employees -- thus too distracted, unconcerned or crooked. Which brings me to political cynicism.

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People who write commercials for advertisers have counterparts who write political campaign pitches.

Both are obsessed with using the phrase "your hard-earned money." They are often talking about giving your money to them because if you don't, you're wasting "your hard-earned money."

Firstly, nearly 50 percent of the people are getting money from the tax-paying other 50 percent. Hardly hard work.

Secondly, there's inherited money, Lotto and other gambling receipts, return on investments which are not necessarily "hard-earned" and profits from gifted money.

"Hard-earned." Yeah, it was tough picking rich parents, and scratching off numbers, and spending grueling time at the Motor City Casino's slots. Besides, if you really like your job it isn't "hard work."

I am shocked . . . or is it shocking?

Okay something weird is up. Maybe I should just call an astrophysicist or something; have things checked out.

In the course of one week and one day, electrical devices connected to you know who (if you don't know who, it's me -- your hero, Dandy Don Rush) have been crappin' out.

Two Sundays ago . . . I go to turn on my desk top computer in the evening (I had been on it earlier in the day working).

The lights flicker, the motors whirl and nothing. Nothing comes on the screen except the message; "No video image available (or something like that).

I check the patchcord on the work's laptop. Cord is good. I hook up the laptop to monitor that ain't working with the desktop. Said monitor works.

Groovy. My books are on the desktop computer and I can't get to 'em. Whatever.

Next, I scoot on over to *The Oxford Leader* office on Friday to drop off paper work from *The Clarkston News* office.

Fifteen minutes later I hop back into the Ford Escape turn the key in the

ignition and, "click, click, click."

Nothing.

After being charged \$60 to have the vehicle towed .43 miles to AutoWorks in Oxford to have everything checked out, starter, alternator, connections, etc, it was discovered the battery was toast. Gone. Caput. Funny, the battery was fine three months ago. (But, I am grateful my dead auto was less than a half mile from AutoWorks. The folks there did me a solid.)

Don't Rush Me



A column by
Don Rush

This past Sunday evening I turn on ye ol' TV (I bought it in 1996) to watch *60 Minutes*. Nothing. The clicker batteries good? Yes. Check. The power cord plugged in? Affirmative. Check. Power to that electrical receptacle. Yep. Check. Press the power button on the clicker. Still nothing. Manual press the power bottom on TV. Nada. No TV at Case d'Rush. Rats.

On Monday, I e-mail some files (three stories I proof read, edited and re-wrote at home for work on the company's

laptop).

I then do routine cleanup of the laptop -- get rid of unwanted files -- and the computer screen starts to jumble and wiggle, back and forth and then nothing. Blackness. I turn it off and on, can hear the whirling of something in there, but nothing.

Neato smackin' frackin' keen. Four dead electrical things in eight days!

What the heck is going on? Why I am short-circuiting stuff?

Have I been bitten by some radioactive bug? Did I walk through a gamma-ray storm cloud? Why am I becoming a walking EMP? Do I need to confine myself within a Faraday Cage for testing?

You're asking: "Don, what the heck is an EMP? And, what kind of cage is that?" EMP is short for Electrical Magnetic Pulse. Right before nuclear detonation, an EMP will really mess up most modern day electronics. Faraday cages shield their contents from static electric fields -- and EMPs.

When I was a young lad I remember my dear old mother Shirley saying she couldn't wear watches with batteries, because the watches would only last a short while. She wore wind-up watches.

I know electricity is the lifeblood of our world. Without it many of our technological innovations would not be. Even our bodies wouldn't function without an electrical charge zipping through our cells, over our synapsis and out again.

So I ask: Have I inherited something freaky from my mother (aside from freckles, reddish, blondish, brownish, grayish hair and blue eyes) that is now blossoming?

Maybe I should have listened to Mom 40 years ago, instead of just thinking Dad bought her cheap watches containing even cheaper batteries?

And, if I have this new "power" shouldn't I use it for good rather than destruction? And, and . . . if I use this power for good, I'm gonna' need a cool alter-ego name, like "Electro" or "Short Circuit" or "Static Man."

I'd like you to put on your tinfoil hats and come up with some names for me. E-mail your ideas to me, Don@ShermanPublications.org

(And, if you have a pace maker or any other electrical device implanted in your body, stay clear of me.)

More letters

Lohmeier asks for vote

Dear Editor,

Hi neighbors! Four years ago you elected me to be your representative as Trustee on the Independence Township Board. I am extremely grateful for the confidence and trust you placed in me and I have endeavored at every turn to represent your needs will and provide leadership and good stewardship of our township resources and funds. I am proud that through much hard work in some of our toughest economic times, the state of our Township is better now than it was four years ago. A significant achievement given the challenges we faced.

I was born and grew up in North Oakland County. I attended Oakland University School of Engineering and then settled with my family in Clarkston where I have two daughters attending school. I have been married to the same wonderful woman for 23 years this August. Clarkston was our choice then and remains now my pick as the best place in Michigan to live. I also earned my MBA from the University of Detroit. I have strong logical and business training that I feel are critical for effective township leadership. I have participated in local government for years as a volunteer and an appointed official. Examples include chairman of the Planning Commission, and the Parks and Recreation Board, Wetland Review Board, chair of the Vision 20/20 Commercial use Task Force and more.

I ran for township trustee four years ago because I thought I could help do a better job at moving the township forward. Happily four years later we have been extremely successful. I led the difficult budgeting effort in my first year I office to right our financial ship. After cutting excessive waste from our budgets our finances are now in solid shape. Even with these cuts we have protected services like fire and police, maintained adequate financial resources and planned for the future.

As the only incumbent Trustee in this election I felt compelled to run for re-election to continue and complete the work we started

in my last term. Since being elected I drafted our first Board Budget instituting solid cost cuts and tough decisions so that we would live within our means.

I drafted and we passed our first ever township asset management policy to prevent the continued inappropriate losses of township property through robust tracking and accountability. I created a plan for the first partnership for the township, schools and county in improving traffic safety through the use of tri-party funding costing the township nothing and providing great savings for the school system and improvements in road safety.

I rigorously pursued the recovery of wasteful spending of township money on bonuses and unapproved services. I negotiated a resolution to a standing fee dispute with Comcast that resulted in over \$100K annually in revenues to the township cable operations and I helped fight for recovery of over \$100K township money inappropriately spent on consultants without approval. I helped restore trust and confidence in our local government

There are several areas I think we should focus on going forward. First maintain the strong fiscal responsibility and controls initiated during my first term. Budgeting and expense management cannot return to the old way of doing things, where budgeting was a once a year activity and was an easy task with constantly rising revenues from always higher property values. In the current economy township Boards must be engaged and educated.

Independence Township has become the leader in this respect. Second we must maintain our commitment to emergency services — no one can deliver the critical public safety services better than the local governments and our police and fire set the standard for effective sharing of resources. With new technology we need to take advantage of every tool we have to improve efficiency and response time. Finally we must build awareness outside of our community for appropriate development. Independence Township continues to be a great choice for both businesses and residents. Now that we are financially stable we must focus on attracting appropriate development and improving the tax

base through marketing.

I want to thank those that have written in support of me and I want to thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your Trustee and I hope you'll choose me to continue as your voice in local government.

Respectfully,

David Lohmeier
Independence Township

Travis backs Lohmeier

Dear Editor,

Over the last 12-14 years I have worked with and come to know and appreciate the public service David Lohmeier has provided our township and our residents. First as a planning commissioner then as its chairman; he was re-elected numerous times by his peers. He was elected trustee for Independence Township during the last general election.

His business acumen is stellar. He is always well prepared and has researched the various issues and agenda items prior to the meetings. He offers insight, history, and concise analysis of those action items or discussion points. He has only the best interests of the township at heart. He looks well beyond the next meeting or meetings and has a competent grasp of the issues, the positives and otherwise. He has championed advance budgeting and preparedness for our shrinking property tax revenues.

If a constituent asks David a question, he responds promptly with an on point factual answer. The job description of trustee says it is a part-time position. The hours and energy David spends for us is far beyond a part-time job. He is not a politician; he is a public servant in the very best sense of the word. I urge the voters of Independence Township to help me re-elect David Lohmeier trustee.

Dan Travis
Independence Township

Support for Schroeder

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my support of Andrea Schroeder for Independence Township trustee.

For more than five years, I have admired Andrea's exceptional intelligence, her desire to seek understanding prior to acting upon opinion, and her ability to develop plans of action which bring interested parties together to produce tangible results.

Andrea is very articulate and seemingly inexhaustible. I believe Andrea is one of the highest quality individuals living in our township and am thankful she is willing to undertake the role of township trustee.

Cheryl McNeil
Independence Township

A point about the library

Dear Editor,

One major clarification to the article, at least for the taxpayers in the City of the Village of Clarkston ("One step closer to District Library," July 11).

While Independence Township residents will only see a .559 mills tax increase if the District Library millage is approved, city residents will see the full 1.25 mills or at least be giving their elected officials the authority to increase our taxes by that amount.

While the present council stated that it was their "intent" to roll back taxes if this is approved, they are under no obligation to do so and can raise city taxes by the full 1.25 mills without any public approval other than this vote.

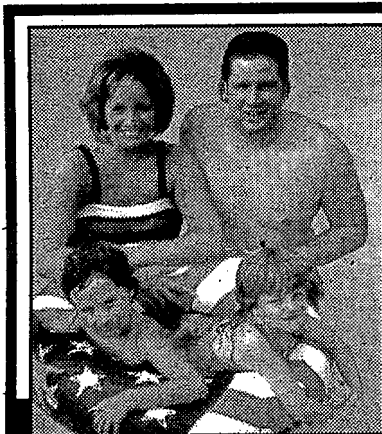
They have been charging the maximum legally allowable tax rate for many years and I see no reason why they will not continue to do so since they approve the maximum tax rate before ever discussing or establishing a budget.

To make matters worse, it is possible that if enough people in the Township vote in favor of this, the full 1.25 mills could be levied against city taxpayers no matter how they vote while township residents pay only the .559 mill increase.

Vote on the library based on whether you are for or against this proposal but understand what it will cost you and who may be making the decision on your taxes no matter how you vote.

Cory Johnston
Clarkston

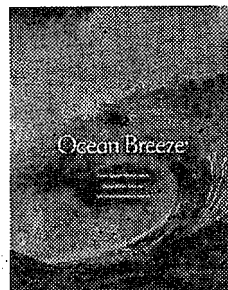
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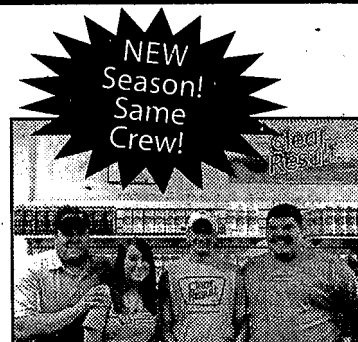
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Public Safety

Reports from Oakland County Deputies and Independence Township Fire Department

Stolen power tools

A chainsaw and other equipment was taken from a shed in the 5000 block of Rockcroft, July 3. The shed had been secured with a padlock, but the lock was taken.

A shed in the 6000 block of Paramus was broken into, July 8, and weed whacker and gas blower, taken.

Street fight investigation

A 37-year-old Pontiac man is under investigation for domestic assault and assault and battery after a fight in the street in the 4000 block of Cobden Lane, 11:38 p.m., July 4.

Speeder cited for drugs

A deputy stopped a 20-year-old Ortonville woman for driving 64 mph in a 50 mph zone on Sashabaw Road at Oak Hill, 9:30 p.m., July 5. Found with a bag of marijuana and a pipe, she was cited with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, as well as speeding.

Teens with marijuana

A deputy patrolling an undeveloped neighborhood on Coulter Lake Boulevard found three teenagers in an SUV, 7:48 p.m., July 8. The teens, a 17-year-old Auburn Hills boy, 18-year-old Pontiac man, and 17-year-old Oxford Township girl, smelled of freshly burned marijuana, along with perfume, which had apparently sprayed to cover the scent. The Pontiac man also had a pipe and baggie, both containing marijuana. They were cited with possession of marijuana.

Vehicle thefts

Someone took an Ipod and wallet from a locked vehicle parked on Blue Spruce Circle, July 9. A small cut was found in the rubber strip around the window and convertible top.

Sunglasses were taken from an unlocked van parked in the 2000 block of Mann Road, July 10.

A stereo was damaged in an attempt to take it from a vehicle parked unlocked in the 6000 block of Plum Lane, July 10.

Shattered window

A passenger-side window of a vehicle parked in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway, July 10, was shattered by a rock.

Unauthorized card charges

An Independence Township resident got a call from his bank asking about a change of address request, and he told them he hadn't filed one. On July 12, he received a \$2,000 computer, billed to his credit card without his knowledge. He returned the computer and cancelled the card.

Home invasion investigation

Someone broke into a home in the 7000 block of S. Eston, 10:51 p.m., July 15, setting off an alarm. A deputy K-9 unit tracked to another residence in the area. Investigation continues.

Car catalytic converter theft

A Dixie Highway resident parked a vehicle at 3 p.m., July 16. When returning at 6:30 p.m., he noticed someone had cut away and taken the car's catalytic converter.

BB gun damage

Two vehicles parked in the 4000 block of Independence Drive were dented and chipped apparently by a BB gun, July 17.

Stranger connected to tools

When residents pulled into their driveway in the 4000 block of Sundale Drive, 1 a.m., July 18, they noticed a stranger standing next to a parked vehicle. The suspect, described as a black man in his early 20s, weighing about 210 pounds, wearing a red shirt, white head phones, and glasses, walked away when they arrived. The next morning, they found the glove box open in the unlocked, parked vehicle, and on the ground nearby, a black canvas bag filled with tools. Deputies logged in the tools at Independence Township substation.

Onion breaks window

Residents in the 6000 block of Cedar Bend Drive were awakened by shattering glass, 2:35 a.m., July 19. Someone had thrown an onion through their front window.

Boy falls 10 feet

A 4-year-old boy was shaken but up walking after falling out of a window, 2:50 p.m., July 19. He was standing on a couch with his hands on the screen, talking to friends outside, when the screen gave way and he fell about 10 feet. He was taken to McLaren to be checked out.

Restaurant roof break-in

Deputies are investigating a break in at a Dixie Highway restaurant, July 19. Suspects broke in through the roof.

Teens arrested

Deputies arrested two 13-year-old Independence Township boys, 12:05 a.m., July 23, for breaking into several vehicles in downtown Clarkston. Deputies, acting on a citizen's complaint about some boys acting suspiciously, found them in Depot Park, brought them to the sub-station, and contacted their parents. The boys were released to their parents pending charges. Investigation continues.

CURT CARSON, TREASURER

Independence Township



Re-Elect Steady Dependable Leadership

Residents entrust their hard earned dollars to the Treasurer, who constantly watches over the economic landscape to invest or deposit them where they will be secure. As Treasurer, I never want to see a day where the services promised, can no longer be delivered.

In addition to the statutory duties of the Treasurer, there are many other responsibilities an elected official is responsible for. The Treasurer is involved in bankruptcies and foreclosures, both tax and mortgage, for individuals and commercial entities. He assists in negotiating contracts with entities we service. He deals with land use issues and must be familiar with the Townships' Master Plan. Some of the toughest decisions made by an elected official are over land use. Most importantly, the Treasurer is on the front line, dealing with constituents issues and needs on a day to day basis.

So what are my qualifications?

- Township Treasurer, 3-1/2 years
- MiCPT (Michigan Certified Professional Treasurer) designation
- Previous Business Owner of a real estate company and 2 building companies
- Previous Operations Manager for a 104 employee, contract furniture firm
- Planning Commissioner, currently in 8th year
- Citizen Planner designation through Michigan State University
- 20 years on the Government Affairs Committee for NOCBOR
- Relationships with most local, county and state officials connected to our area

The Candidate With Experience

Questions, thoughts or concerns, contact Curt
248-620-2100 curtcarson@comcast.net

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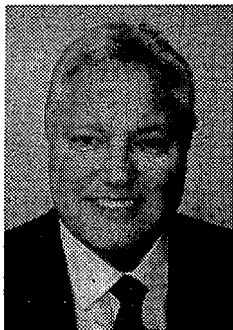
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Independence Township

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Current Township Planning Commissioner
Chairman - Dixie Hwy Corridor Improvement Committee
Member of the Township Safety Path Committee
An Owner of Terry Machine Co. - Employed over 30 years
Sponsored many youth baseball, softball & soccer teams

**Supporting the Fire Department Millage,
District Library and McLaren Hospital**



I am running for Independence Township Trustee because I believe I will make a difference. I have the business experience and discipline to listen to issues and make decisions based on the best interest of the community. I will treat our residents with respect and they will be given the opportunity to be involved or communicate their concerns.

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Independence Township Clerk

"My commitment to the community is to bring structure and stability to cultivate an environment attracting business and development by honoring the legacy of the past but sustainable for future generations."

— B. Pallotta

- ◆ Attract and develop a committed and innovative workforce
- ◆ Develop and implement best practices
- ◆ Encourage volunteerism and community involvement
- ◆ Invest in a clear economic development plan
- ◆ Maintain high quality and community oriented police and fire protection



Stability and Civility

Vote for Barbara Pallotta on August 7 for Township Clerk

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More election letters Poem for Carson

Dear Editor,

This is an election year and it is great to be experiencing energy moving onward and forward. For some time many of us have been holding on, holding steady, holding our breath to see the tide turn in our community, our state, our country and the world to be viable and productive for the good of all people.

Curt Carson, running for re-election for treasurer of Independence Township, is a long time friend, colleague, mentor, and fellow Optimist member, I've co-chaired committee projects with him on many occasions. I know him personally and professionally. He comes from hard working committed family roots. Curt carries on with these values in his own family, in Independence Township Community and beyond. Curt and his devoted wife Michelle have three children; I'm privileged to have a relationship with each of them individually and collectively.

Politics is not a bad word, it is simply a word that describes or blankets many into one negative judgment that others often adopt; or one can re-define it by electing human beings who are willing to step up to the honorable position and make a difference.

There are no perfect human beings, no perfect politicians; we are all individuals on a journey to learn and build bridges for others to cross. The following is an acronym that in my opinion peeks into the inner human character of Curt Carson.

C-cultured
U-upstanding
R. respectful and
T. tactful
C-caring
A-bout
R-real
S-simple
O-order
N-naturally

*Maria Rotondo Mark
Independence Township*

Fire millage needed

Dear Editor,

It's been quite a while since I have needed the services of our Independence Township Fire Department.

When my mother Iola was alive, she became a familiar face to our boys in blue. They were here at least once every other week for the better part of two years, whether it was for transport to the hospital, or to help her out of the car upon her arrival back home, or a quick evaluation, or to just help her up off the floor.

During that time period, we definitely cashed in on the services we had paid for, and then some. Since her passing several years ago, my address has become a distant memory to most of those men and women,

but their care, concern, and professionalism will not become a distant memory to my family and me.

As I get older, I am certain I will once again call on them for help. I want them to be around just as they were for my mother years ago. Please join me in voting yes to both millage questions on Aug. 7 and keep our boys in blue working for us.

*Richard Herbert
Independence Township*

Fortuna favored

Dear Editor,

We need a real leader with no hidden secrets.

I am voting for Terry Fortuna for the obvious reasons that may not be so obvious. Terry has been successful in every area of his life from family to business to government service and there's no doubt he will be successful for all of us, if we elect him, and I hope we do.

Terry's track record is impressive and consistent, with his law enforcement career at all levels of government including a position as a special agent with the DEA but what you may not know is that Terry has operated several very successful businesses one being a sales and marketing company representing several national brands including Bushnell Sports Optics which employed 35 individuals. He also operated on the management team as the director of corporate sales for Bavarian Village Ski and Golf.

Let's pick a new leader with a real track record, who can prove it.

Vote for Terry Fortuna for township supervisor.

*Craig Martin
Independence Township*

Wallace makes his case

Dear Editor,

On Aug. 7, we vote to select our Independence Township leaders for the next four year.

I ask that you vote for me, Neil Wallace, to be your Independence Township supervisor.

Unique among the candidates for this important leadership role, I have been involved in our community, dedicated and active in making it an even better place.

No other candidate for supervisor has the knowledge and experience with township government that I have, nor have they demonstrated by initiatives and accomplishments that they can tackle the challenges we face as a community.

It has been my privilege to serve you in many ways for many years. There is more I can and will do to improve our community and the efficiency of our government.

So I need your support and your vote on Aug. 7.

Thanks,

*Neil Wallace
Independence Township*

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Cager tradition

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

For Blake Holler going to basketball camp is a summer tradition.

He began going five years ago when he was the age of seven with Fife Fundamentals and spent the past week at Fife Basketball Camp.

"I have known Coach (Dan) Fife for a pretty long time," Holler said. "I know all of the varsity players, so I can connect with them."

Not only have his relationships grown going to the annual camps but his skills have improved.

Holler admitted his shooting abilities are better than they were the first time he stepped onto the court.

"When I was little I was really shy the first couple of years," he said. "Now I am really confident."

Max Nicklin has also gone to both camps as he spent one week at Fife Fundamentals and last week at Fife Basketball.

"It was a lot of fun," he smiled. "I went to Fife Fundamentals last week. Coach Fife wanted me to come up and play with these guys."

He admitted there was a big difference between the two camps as he took on tougher opponents and challenges during Fife Basketball.

"I had a lot more challenges. I liked it," Nicklin said adding it helped him improve on his shot.

Nicklin, along with Connor Heaton, added they would definitely be going to the camp next summer.

"It was fun and hard work," Heaton said. "It was my first time coming. It helped with my dribble by me keeping my head up."

Fife Basketball Camp ran last Monday through Friday. As many as 80 boys in seventh to ninth grade built onto their skills with the help from Fife and his coaching staff as well as current and former varsity players. They worked through stations as well as participated in team drills and games.

The camp ended on Friday with the last of the games as teams competed to be the last one standing.

The boys watched as the last two teams, coached by camp counselors Jordan Clark and Jordan Dasuqi played each other.

After an intense game, Dasuqi's team celebrated with their close 19-15 win.

But the campers became really excited when the current and former varsity players took to the floor to play 25 of the campers.

The game was for fun and a taste of what the campers could do if they continued to work hard and put effort into the game and their skills.

"It was a great week for Clarkston basketball," Fife told the group. "You all worked hard."

He also noted he could tell the difference between their abilities and other, and the difference is effort.

"The best effort started this week," Fife said.

He added tips to help them as they continue playing including helping friends be better players.

"Take what you need to take from this week to help you," Fife said. "Thank you for your hard work and not going soft."

Many boys exclaimed as they left it was a fun and exciting week.

As for Holler, he will be back next year. "I plan on continuing to play basketball for a long time," he smiled.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



The 11U Clarkston Riverdaws; back row from left: Ryan Barber, Seth Bacon, Patrick Deardorff, Wade Bonnici, Carson Butterfield; front row: Brock Henley, Trevor Gilman, Matthew McClellan, Conner McClennen and Jack Anderson. Photo submitted

Playing in New York

The 11U Clarkston Riverdaws baseball team is heading to Brooklyn, New York to compete in the 2012 Gil Hodges Classic Series National Championship.

The boys recently finished their battle in the American Amateur Baseball Congress Regional Championships in Brighton.

They took on five teams and won four of the games. Their loss was to the Orion Chargers in the final round. They automatically qualified to go to the nationals being one of the last two teams standing.

The big game was in the semi-finals against the Michigan Bluejays, from Ypsilanti.

They started the game with a big lead but the Bluejays fought back. The Bluejays came within one point of tying the game and the 'Daws knew what they had to do.

They needed two runs to win the game and keep going in the tournament. They ended up scoring three runs in the seventh inning to win the game.

Most on the team have been together since they were nine. During the last few years they have developed a close relationship and step in to help another player with a big hit.

The Gil Hodges Classic Series National Championship has 16 teams competing this weekend with teams from all over the country.

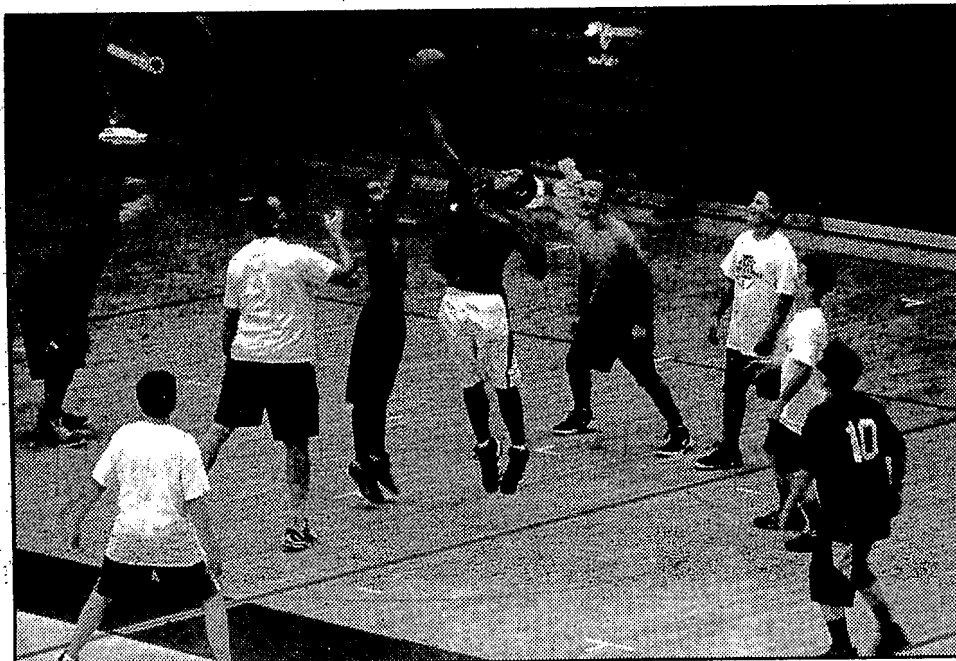
Last year the Cincinnati Flames won the tournament and the 'Daws hope to bring the championship north of the Michigan/Ohio border and into Clarkston.

The games are played at historic fields in Brooklyn. The fields are built into the neighborhoods. The city fields are very old and historic to provide an exciting environment for the 'Daws first national game.

The 11U Riverdaws are Jack Anderson, Seth Bacon, Ryan Barber, Wade Bonnici, Carson Butterfield, Patrick Deardorff, Trevor Gilman, Brock Henley, Matthew McClellan and Conner McClennen.

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The competition heats up as boys at Fife Basketball Camp play their last round of games. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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Campers jump in hurdles. Photo by Melissa Edwards

Throwing in summer activity

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Campers experienced a little bit of everything last week at the Youth Track and Field Camp - even rain.

"We had some rain but we just took the events inside," said John Yorke, head coach for the Clarkston High School Girls Track team.

The campers were still able to experience all the events - hurdling, high jump, long jump, shot put and sprints.

"We learned a variety of different skills we never thought we could do," said Maya Desmond, a camper also on a track team. "Including jumping over really high hurdles. It was good exercise. We had good competition. We would race each other. The coaches were really nice."

They practiced for three days in each of the five events. The last day they competed in each event to find out how well they did in time, how they did in distance and how they placed.

"We were lucky with the weather to-

day," said Yorke on Thursday as a light rain covered the field and track at the high school.

"It was really fun," said Vanessa Perez, a camper new this year.

"It was challenging," Hannah Seaman added.

Yorke saw improvement in the 48 campers beginning on Monday and going through each day until Thursday.

"They got more confident as the week went," he said. "It's not just them practicing it but getting more aggressive and confident with every event. A lot of improvement in the last four days. We also had a good turnout."

Each day ended with a trip to the high school swimming pool to cool off.

The camp is offered through Clarkston Community Education for kids entering fourth to ninth grade in the fall. They were coached by Yorke, his coaching staff and varsity track members.

For more information visit www.clarkston.k12.mi/cec or call 248-623-4327.

Deadline this week

The deadline for nameplates for the Fourth Annual Football for a Cure is this Sunday.

The cost of a football jersey is \$100 and a name plate is \$50.

During Football for a Cure the Clarkston Wolves gridiron gang trade their blue and gold jerseys for pink and light in their pre-season scrimmage on Saturday, August 11.

Proceeds during the event benefit the Clarkston community with services at McLaren Breast Cancer and McLaren Cancer Institute - Clarkston.

T-shirts, jerseys, polo shirts, and baseball hats are currently available for sale as well. For \$50 become an honorary "Coach of the Day."

T-shirts are available for \$10.

Forms are available at McLaren Breast Cancer at Clarkston and Great Lakes Clarkston Institute, both at 5701 Bow Pointe Drive. Also, visit the online store at www.customthreadsandsports.com/clarkston.

To order your name plate, receive more information, or volunteer for the event, please email ClarkstonFootballforaCure@gmail.com

Euchre tourney for fieldhouse

Time to play cards with friends while raising money for the Clarkston High School Fieldhouse.

The Euchre Tournament Benefit for the fieldhouse is 7 p.m. on Aug. 10 at 3780 Maiden Street, off of Maceday Lake Road.

The euchre charge is \$2 per euchre and will go directly to the Fieldhouse. Water and snacks are available throughout the evening, food at intermission, soda available for donation.

Tournament is independently played - there will be no teams. The prize money with at least 50 players is \$150 for first place; \$100 for second place; \$50 for third place; and \$10 for lowest score.

Also during the event is a 50/50 raffle; raffles for a Clarkston Brick Paver, Clarkston Schedule Savings Card, fieldhouse hat and more; and fieldhouse spiritwear available for sale.

The entry fee is \$40 per person and \$75 per couple - both in advance or \$50 at the door.

Limited spots so sign up quick mail your check (Payable to Clarkston Athletic Boosters, note: Fieldhouse Euchre) to Karen Nicklin at 10064 Creekwood Trail, Davisburg, MI 48350 or give directly to Karen Nicklin, Erika Heaton, Julie Holler or Karen Zuzela.

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More election letters Fracking key issue

Dear Editor,

By now hopefully most of Independence Township residents are aware that the Jordan Development Company, a gas/oil exploration company, has purchased the mineral rights to over 14,000 acres in Oakland County for the purpose of Horizontal Hydraulic Fracturing, Fracking, for methane gas.

I have been involved with the Committee to Ban Fracking in Michigan, a petition drive to amend the Michigan State Constitution to ban the practice of Horizontal Hydraulic Fracturing in Michigan. The deadline of July 9, 2012, for the petition signature requirement has been extended four months and will be placed on the November 2014 ballot if enough signatures have been attained. This will allow the registered voters of Michigan to decide if a ban on fracking should be included in our state constitution.

This November 2012, citizens will go the polls to cast their vote for various candidates campaigning for office. Commissioner Tom Middleton, who is my Fourth District commissioner for Oakland County, voted "no" on a moratorium introduced a month ago to stop hydraulic fracking in Oakland County, a moratorium to conduct studies about the harmful effects that fracking will do to our drinking water, lakes, and streams. Commissioner Middleton belongs to several conservation groups and is lake board member of one of the very lakes that is going to be fracked.

How can a member of a conservation board have the conscience to vote against a moratorium to stop fracking? Another politician who is trying to be reelected is Rep. Eileen Kowall, my 44th District representative of Michigan, who was appointed to the Michi-

gan Energy Committee following her 2010 reelection, was interviewed December 2009, stating that she would eliminate the Department of Environmental Quality, DEQ, if she had the authority.

The DEQ is the agency that gave authority to the Department of Natural Resources, DNR, to conduct the May 2012 mineral rights auction. Could there be a conflict of interest with Rep. Kowall and the DEQ? Was the DEQ given an ultimatum that if they did not expedite fracking permits, then their agency would be dissolved?

I spoke with Neil Wallace, who is a candidate for Independence Township supervisor and is against fracking in our township and said he will do everything in his power to stop this in our township. The choice is yours this November 2012 to cast your vote for someone who has the best interest in preserving the quality of our drinking water, lakes, and streams, or someone who is only concerned about their pocketbook being lined by greedy corporations that want to exploit the pristine resources of Michigan?

Tim Heming
Independence Township

Schroeder led on issues

Dear Editor,

The Clarkston community has an important primary election coming up on Aug. 7 and I'm calling out to my neighbors to please do your homework before you vote, in order to put the best candidates on the slate for our Independence Township Board.

I would like to endorse Andrea Schroeder for township trustee. Many of us know that Andrea has already spent years working hard for this town, in her various volunteer roles:

As a PTA leader, she successfully unraveled a wrong done to three different school parent groups, by one individual, and spent

hours of her own time researching the details and working to achieve justice for over 1500 families effected by this wrong.

Andrea was instrumental in "finally" getting a traffic light adjusted at a dangerous intersection in the approach to the High School. She collaborated with our district leadership and was thorough in her preparation, resulting in a benefit to the whole community.

Mrs. Schroeder was the driving force behind a successful "NO Spice/K2 Clarkston" campaign. Her efforts resulted in the elimination of all sales of Spice and K2 from retailers in our township, long before our Federal Government recognized and acted on these dangerous drugs.

Above are just a few examples of how Andrea's CAN DO attitude has benefited our township. She has the education and the experience, but she stands out because of her efforts for our community - let's make it official and vote her in as Independence Township Trustee.

There are four seats to fill and only one incumbent. But with 11 people running and turnout for primary elections typically low, literally every vote matters - Please take the time to vote on August 7, 2012!

Kimberly Trombley
Independence Township

Support for Brown

Elect a financial professional for treasurer - Paul Brown!

When Paul casually mentioned one evening that he was considering leaving his CFO position to run for treasurer, we were thrilled. We can't think of a more qualified person for the job!

Paul has been our next door neighbor for many years and you surely could not ask for a better one. Paul is always someone you can call for assistance, no matter the time of

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day or night. He will never ask what or why, just when and what you need. He is like that with everyone. Paul always has a wave and a smile and takes time to stop and visit with everyone. He has made his house a beautiful home and what once was a strained and unfriendly neighborhood on Thendara on Walters Lake has now become an enjoyable place. We believe it has a lot to do with Paul's personality and friendliness. Never have we heard him speak unkindly about anyone - he always finds the good in people and situations. He is a throwback to the days long ago that we all remember and yearn for.

The township has not had a professional financial manager in place, and it shows. Oakland County has a three year balanced budget - the only county in the country to do so. The reason is simple - efficient financial professionals with prudent long-term planning and goals. Not only does Paul have the same mindset, but he has an accounting degree from Oakland University, is a Certified Public Accountant and a business consultant, an expert in process improvements and is the CFO of a large medical company.


While Curt Carson is a very nice man and has had a long career as a realtor, those are not adequate qualifications. Real estate is a far cry from managing and budgeting the finances of a large township where millions of dollars handled. We need someone that has the experience with fiscal organization and management on a large scale with a long-term vision for the years ahead. Paul has been doing just that successfully in the private sector for years. Isn't it time we have a financial professional handling our money in the treasurer's office?

As our treasurer, he will be a fabulous asset to our township by being a positive representative on our behalf as an honest and hardworking employee of both residents and

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- I will support the growth of the tax base with commercial development to help keep our fire and police department, Library, Senior Center and other services.
- Commitment to maintaining the integrity of our neighborhoods.
- My vision is to bring new ideas and prosperity, with focus on the future of Independence Township.

Endorsements

- Dr. James O'Neill
- United States Congressmen Tim Walberg
- State Representative Eileen Kowall
- Oakland County Commissioner Tom Middleton
- George M. Romney
- Joan McCrary



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Election letters continue

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business owners. We have no doubt that with his vast experience as a CPA, he will quickly solve problems of careless spending and find the best ways to utilize our funds in an efficient manner and also address ways to increase our assets. He will undoubtedly create a system that can be used for many, many years to come that will keep our township running like a successful corporation.

Paul has made a commitment to the community he holds dear to work hard to use our money in the most responsible ways possible. More importantly, Paul has no political agenda. Enthusiasm and honesty is 'catching' and desperately needed, not only in Independence Township, but everywhere. We truly believe that because of his passion for his profession, his decency and sincerity, Paul will help other elected officials put their personal and political agendas aside and work together for the good of the township, its businesses and the residents.

Paul loves his community and is proud to tell everyone he is 'from here and for here'. Get excited about our future and vote for Paul Brown - he will make us all proud!

Kind Regards,

Al and Jody La Londe
Independence Township

Wallace and Lohmeier

Dear Editor,

I urge the voters of Independence Township to vote for Neil Wallace for supervisor (R) and David Lohmeier, trustee (R).

Neil and David have guided the township through a very challenging year. Their strong leadership helped create a responsible budget as well as adopting a three year budget program.

Voters who follow Township Board meetings on CPAC (Clarkston Public Access Center) channel 10 are aware of the public service offered by Mr. Wallace and Mr. Lohmeier. CPAC offers the transparency necessary for a knowledgeable electorate.

Paul Bennett
Independence Township

Kudos for Carson

Dear Editor,

I am writing as a past Independence Township treasurer (1978/84) in support of our current treasurer Curt Carson.

In 2008 a previous township board made a very controversial purchase of a new township hall. Whether you agreed with that decision or not the deed was done. The process of financing the new township hall was complicated, convoluted and controversial. It caused the township's "internal service fund" to be in deficit, not because of cash flow but because of simple accounting rules which involve depreciation. It caught the eye of the state treasurer who emphatically stated things had to be rectified.

Curt assembled a team which included State Senator Jim Marleau, and met with State Treasurer Andy Dillon. A solution was agreed upon.

Instead of going to the New York bond market and selling bonds, the township could keep the debt financed locally. Instead of paying out over \$75,000 in bond counsel fees and closing costs and losing over one million dollars in interest to-out of state bond purchasers the debt is staying right here at home to the benefit of the township's water and sewer funds.

When Curt was elected he inherited this issue but to his credit he worked proactively, formed a team, confronted the issue, took it to the top and resolved it.

I have known Curt since 1988 and appreciate his involvement in the community and his good service to the citizens of Independence Township.

His past business experience has great value to all of us who pay taxes. His interest lies in what is best for our community and not in what is politically expedient. I intend to vote for Curt's re-election and hope you will join me.

Fred Ritter
Independence Township

Fortuna for supervisor

Dear Editor,

Terry Fortuna is the leadership we can trust. Terry has been involved in serving his country and being a part of the solution rather than being a part of the problem.

Carlos Garcia
Orion Township

Lohmeier her choice

Dear Editor,

Independence Township needs to keep experienced Dave Lohmeier as a trustee.

He has been a key in getting the budget under control through constant review and evaluation of the various departmental accounts, essential in the selection of our Clerk, Barb Palotta (an excellent choice) and the hiring of Bart Clark to fill in for our absent supervisor.

Dave has been the voice of moderation in a some-times contentious board. He always comes to the meetings well prepared and soundly grounded in the facts of each agenda item. He will also be a great asset in getting a new Board effective and off the ground.

As the sole hold-over trustee he can use his experience and knowledge to help the new group get a solid start for the future.

In addition, we should mention that Dave seldom misses board meetings and always seems to get to core issues in their discussions.

We really need to keep this dedicated person for our township.

Barb Reed
Independence Township

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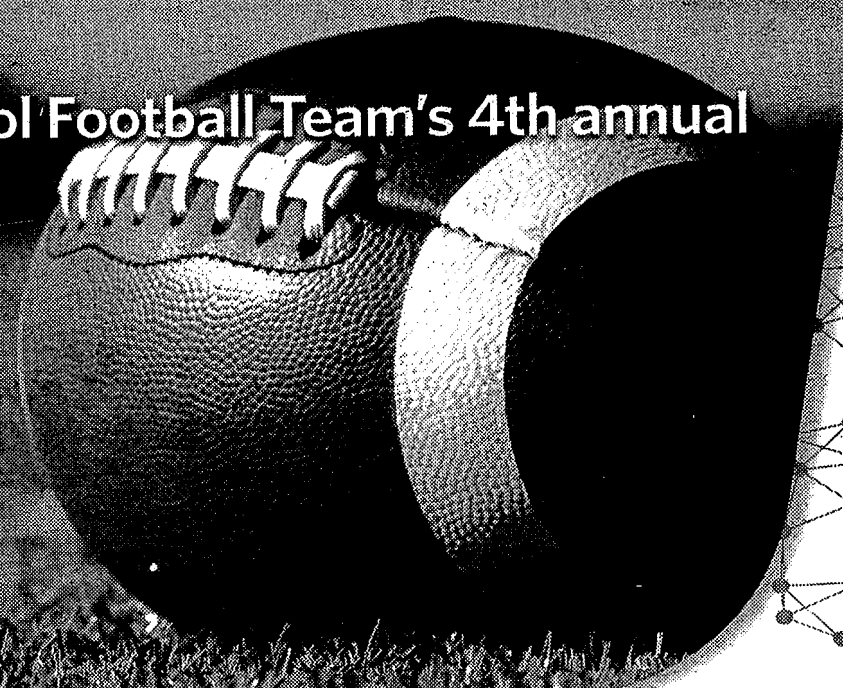
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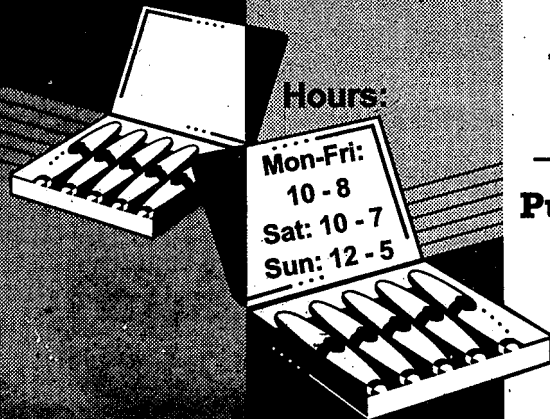
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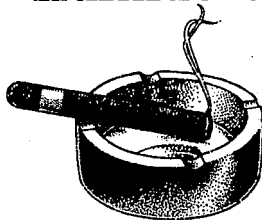
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More primary letters Waring for the win

Dear Editor,

I am supporting Todd Waring for Supervisor. Unlike his opponent Neil Wallace, he is pro business and pro controlled development.

When the business owners on Dixie highway tried to get the township to help them make changes that they felt would help their businesses, Mr. Wallace was quoted as saying he didn't see that there was a problem.

When the business owners had done all the research on their own that the township was going to pay the consultants to do and wanted to use that money to install new township entrance way signs on Dixie Highway, Mr. Wallace said no, that the township would use general fund money instead and paid the consultants anyway for work they never did.

Mr. Wallace never allowed the funding to be provided for the signs. Mr Wallace has continued to strong arm the rest of the board to go against the wishes of the residences wishes about development opportunities, the burn ordinance changes, and the reduction in the Maclaren hospital project.

The Township Board has been a long running joke in Oakland county about 5 hour long meetings, personal attacks, fighting amongst board members, racial profiling's That the township may still need to defend in court.

His consistent attacks on employees, other board members, planning commissioners and residents need to stop. Mr Wallace spear headed the movement to not allow residents to speak at township meets until the end to ensure that residents would get frustrated and leave before the end of the meeting which often go past 11 p.m.

Join me in helping the township get back on track with new board members who actually have the residence needs as their top priority not their own. Vote for Todd Waring for supervisor and stop the madness.

Thank You

*Sam Moraco
Independence Township, former
planning commission chairman*

Consider Kittle

Dear Editor,

I felt compelled to write this letter after careful consideration.

I have known all three candidates and dealt with them professionally as well as personally. I believe I understand what it takes to be a community advocate as I was a five term city councilman in the City of the Village of Clarkston.

I believe Pat Kittle is the leader Independence Township needs. In the current economy, strength of character in our leaders accounts for everything.

Experience in crisis management is necessary to guide our Township through the challenging times ahead.

Anybody can blow through surplus, that takes no talent. As a retired auto executive, Pat Kittle has been through crisis and excelled.

Pat has restored Oakhurst into the black from several years in the red during arguably the worst years our economy has ever faced. I know Pat to be a man of integrity and compassion--things we need in a leader for our community. Join me in voting for Pat Kittle on Aug. 7.

*Daniel A. Colombo
Independence Township*

Community needs Waring

Dear Editor,

Myself, along with other Independence Township residents I have met with are getting tired of the many embarrassing escapades that become news items in the papers of our current local government from the former or current township supervisor, "not sure of his status and unable to find out" to the antics of the Township Board's dysfunctional 4-5 hour meetings.

A couple of examples come to mind, one is the missing tractor incident from 2011, another is the Oakland County Sheriff's called to a board meeting in January and a board member Neil Wallace, stated he wanted to discuss suing the sheriff's office. This same board member has blogged on his campaign

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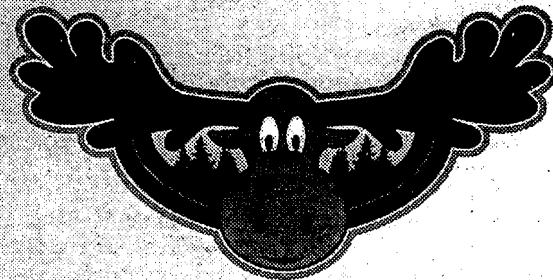
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More election letters Springfield police millage

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site that he has met with McLaren Hospital officials on his own to discuss various proposals concerning their project in the Township.

He did however invite his understudy Dave Lohmeier, to attend with him but failed to include the rest of the board or get their approval for his meeting. For these reasons, I am voting for Todd Waring on Aug. 7.

I have known and worked with Todd for a number of years and have seen his leadership skills and salesmanship ability to get things done when others would think it was impossible to do so. Todd knows that Independence Township can be a place where not only people will want to visit, shop or work, but relocate here as well.

With Todd's people skills and his understanding of running a business, he will make an excellent ambassador for our community in promoting businesses to want to locate in our township with its prime location along I-75. We need Todd Waring to bring our community together where we can read about a new business opening in the paper and not the articles I have referenced above. His leadership will help us all to prosper and be proud of our community as we should be. Todd Waring is my choice.

Steve Cross
Independence Township

Dear Editor,

Aug. 7, Springfield voters are being asked to consider an additional .75 mils to assist in maintaining current levels of Police Service in Springfield. The Township Board is very aware that this is not a good time economically for tax payers. The same economic difficulties faced by taxpayers have been impacting Township finances and budgets and especially Fire and Police Funds historically supported almost entirely by individual tax millages.

I ask that Springfield voters review the Fact sheet available at the Township office and on the Township Web site and to call with any questions. I believe that the facts and the impact of falling property values and taxable value on the Police Fund support a Yes vote on the millage if we wish to maintain our current level of service which is 2 deputies on duty for all shifts plus an investigator and a Sergeant. The reduction in Taxable Value from 2008 to 2011 resulted in a decrease in Police Fund property tax collection of over \$240,000 which is greater than the current cost of two deputy contracts. At the same time costs have and will continue to increase. In 2010 the Township changed the type of contract with the Sheriff Dept. to save money but costs still continue to increase while tax revenue falls.

Beginning in 2010 the Township be-

gan to subsidize the Police Fund with portions of Cable fees and State Shared revenue that had previously gone to the General Fund.

In addition the 2012 budget anticipates a \$238,000 transfer from General Fund reserves to the Police Fund in order to cover costs. Without new millage it is estimated that over \$400,000 in General Fund reserves would be necessary to cover Police Fund costs if we maintain the current level of services.

The General Fund reserves cannot continue to support the Police Fund at these levels.

The Township Board has not made a decision but it is my opinion that without additional millage some reductions in the level of Police service will have to be made.

Why is the millage request only for 4 years? The Board set the time period to allow for the economy to stabilize and hopefully to improve.

This would allow us to more accurately project future funding and costs. In addition, part of the current Police millage will be up for renewal in four years so the Township Board, at this time, will be able to present to the voters a longer term plan based on the stabilized economy.

This is an important and difficult decision but I ask for your support so that the Township Board can continue to provide adequate Police service to the community.

Collin W Walls
Springfield Township Supervisor

Pick Pallotta for clerk

Dear Editor,

As a volunteer in the offices of the Independence Township Clerk, I found Barbara Pallotta to be an amazingly well organized, efficient and people-oriented person. As an Election Inspector, I received detailed training including a manual and power point presentation, both written and presented by Mrs. Pallotta.

In addition, Mrs. Pallotta undertook the huge challenge of re-aligning voting precincts so as to avoid using schools as voting places – obviously enhancing the safety of our children. As a result of this realignment, approximately 26,000 registered voter information cards had to be corrected, notifications sent to the voters and new voter identification cards distributed. Those volunteers helping with this effort were given detailed instructions on how to accomplish this task, while maintaining the integrity of the documents and privacy of Independence Township voters. Mrs. Pallotta's honesty, integrity and dedication is without question.

In all my years of active involvement with, and in, politics, this is the first time I've written a letter of endorsement, and I do so with absolutely no hesitation.

Mrs. Pallotta gets my vote, and she deserves yours.

Diane Clark
Independence Township
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Have You Met Our Physician Assistants?

What is a physician assistant?

A physician assistant (PA) is a medical professional who works as part of a team with a doctor. A PA is a graduate of an accredited PA educational program who is nationally certified and state-licensed to practice medicine with the supervising physician.

What can PAs do?

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By design, physicians and PAs work together as a team, and all PAs practice medicine with physician supervision. Supervision does not mean, though, that a supervising physician must always be present with the PA or direct every aspect of PA-provided care.

PAs are trained and educated similarly to physicians, and therefore share similar diagnostic and therapeutic reasoning. Physicians delegate duties to PAs, and within those range of duties, PAs use autonomous decision-making for patient care. This team model is an efficient way to provide high-quality medical care.

Adapted from aapa.org

Meet Kari Hoekstra, PA



Kari Hoekstra is a certified physician assistant who completed her education at Western Michigan University. She grew up in Redford and now lives in Grand Blanc with

her husband and son. Her medical interests include women's health and internal medicine. Kari enjoys dancing and spending time with family and friends.

Meet Samantha Myers, PA



Samantha Myers is a certified physician assistant who completed her education at Grand Valley State University. She grew up in Clarkston and now

lives in Rose Township with her husband and two sons. Her medical interest is weight management. She is the director of Clarkston Medical Groups Weight Management program. Samantha enjoys skiing, snowboarding, running and biking.

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Kittle requests votes

Dear Editor,

When I told my buddies my intentions to run for Independence Township supervisor, their immediate responses were "Are you nuts? You're retired. Relax," "Haven't you been reading the papers? Independence Township is the laughingstock of Oakland County" and "the supervisor's position is the most thankless job in the township. You're outta your mind!" And that's exactly why I put my name in the hat to run.

As a homeowner and 13 year resident of Clarkston, I'm frustrated with the current political machine and all the negative press in the media. A dysfunctional local government hurts property values and causes potential residents and businesses to question if Independence Township is the right choice for them. I feel it's time someone with a set of fresh eyes and a new perspective takes charge with no hidden agendas or skeletons in the closet.

Once my friends realized I was serious they asked, "so what makes you think you have the right stuff to be supervisor?" I quickly replied. "How about 32 years' experience with a major automobile manufacturer with the last 10 years in the Executive Ranks responsible for an \$80M budget, training 3,500 dealers and 150,000 dealer personnel... and never being over budget. How about the past three years as the Oakhurst Homeowner's Association President improving Cash Reserves and Capital Improvement Funds five-fold without cutting services. Or how about someone who continuously communicates with the 511 Oakhurst property owners keeping them informed how their money is being spent and seeking input on issues before they become problems. These same basic business and management principles can be applied to our Township, just on a larger scale. And to take Independence Township to the next level, we need to put a big sign out front of Town Hall that reads 'OPEN FOR BUSINESS' to attract the commercial services of a McLaren Hospital and welcome the new investment and the jobs, homebuyers and shoppers that come with it!"

After much debate about the pro's and con's of local politics -- and my sanity -- my buddies finally closed with, "We still think you're nuts, but we'll support you." And you know what? I

can't ask for any more than that.

I hope the residents of Independence Township agree with my buddies and also vote for me in the Independence primary election on Aug. 7.

Pat Kittle
Independence Township

A call to vote for Kunse

Dear Editor,

I support Joette Kunse for Independence Township trustee because Joette will be a fresh voice on the board. Joette will bring civility to the board and use her problem solving skills to get things done.

Joette is a good researcher and with her vote, she will offer a good analysis of the problem.

She is conservative in her spending and has a variety of experiences managing million dollar budgets.

She says the township is carrying a higher than needed fund equity. Her thoughts are that some of the fund equity should be used to fund a capital outlay plan for equipment and infrastructure or paying down the debt to the water department for the township hall loan.

I know Joette is interested in the Vision 20/20 plan and feels it needs to be updated by citizens to reflect the current economic state and the foreseeable future. Joette is a collaborator in her professional life and in her activities in the community. Joette has talked about collaborating with the chamber of commerce, working to full some of the empty store fronts in the township. She is impressed with the work Oakland County is doing with other communities to make themselves small business friendly.

Joette's experience with technology applications would be useful to the township. She has researched what other communities are doing to make government transparent and open to the comments of all.

She has proven she is dedicated to the community by the work she has done for local organizations and the township over the 40 years she has lived in the township. She and her husband Bill have raised their two daughters here and have been active citizens. I hope you will vote for Joette Kunse for trustee on Aug. 7.

Rae Luallen
Independence Townships
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Gregory Thomas, DDS, MS *†
John Hackenberger, DDS*
Joe Alamat, DDS, MD*
Michael Kraemer, DMD, MD*
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A 20 Wed., July 25, 2012 The Clarkston (MI) News

Kittle's leadership needed

Dear Editor,

I have been a resident and business owner in Clarkston for the last 30 years; and I am endorsing Pat Kittle for our next supervisor of Independence Township.

Pat will be an excellent leader. As an Oakhurst homeowner, I have personally experienced his leadership, determination, drive, and attention to detail.

We have had the good fortune of having Pat Kittle as the president of our home owners association.

Under the leadership of Pat Kittle our association budget has gone from a deficit to a surplus, our properties are well maintained, and our neighborhood is growing and thriving with new homes and new members. His management style is open door, approachable and transparent. Pat hits the issues head on; he is not afraid to confront difficult situations. He is a man of honesty and integrity. Pat Kittle is not a politician, he is a leader.

Pat's background as an innovator in the automotive industry has given him the skills to be a leader and a problem solver. Pat Kittle is a retired Chrysler executive. He has the experience to navigate through difficult situations and budgets successfully.

Pat will be a full time supervisor. As citizens, and tax payers; we deserve a full time skilled and trusted leader who is fiscally responsible, who will maintain the beauty and character of our township, and who will manage our growth.

We are fortunate to live in the most beautiful areas in Oakland County. Under Pat's leadership, I believe both residents and business owners will prosper from improved property values and a more business friendly environment.

Please consider Pat Kittle on Aug. 7. Pat has the skills and dedication to serve our citizens.

*Brenda M. Orlando, CPA
Independence Township*

Support for Wallace

Dear Editor,

I have known Neil Wallace personally and professionally for over 35 years. As a resident of Independence Township, I know Neil has always been active in community affairs and a tireless worker for the betterment of our community.

Independence Township needs a leader with Neil's background, experience, and knowledge as a supervisor who will work hard for the people he serves in a professional and competent manner.

*Tim Patterson
Independence Township*



Orquesta Ritmo performs during the last day for Concerts in the Park.

That's a wrap

The 2012 season of Clarkston Concerts in the Park wrapped up, July 20, with a spirited performance by Orquesta Ritmo, playing latin salsa music. Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce hosts the concert series every summer in Depot Park.



Jonas DiJanni enjoys ice cream from Cook's Dairy Farm. Photos by Wendi Reardon



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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
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SUMMARY MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 25, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem Hunter followed by the pledge of allegiance.
Roll Present: Mayor Pro Temp Hunter, Bisio, Haven, Sabol and Roth

Absent: Mayor Luginski and Hargis
Others Present - City Manager Ritter
Moved by Roth, supported by Haven to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried. Absent: Mayor Luginski and Hargis
Moved by Haven, supported by Bisio to amend the agenda and put New Business Item h. - Robertson Court Residents Request Traffic Safety Signs in front of Public Hearing regarding the 2013 Budget.

Motion Carried.
Absent: Luginski and Hargis

Moved by Haven, supported by Roth to purchase four signs and two posts. One post containing one 'speed limit' and one 'children at play' sign to be placed approximately 100 feet after the intersection at the West end of Robertson Court and Main and one post containing one 'speed limit' and one 'children at play' sign to be placed approximately 100 feet South of the intersection of Clarkston Road and Robertson Court.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bisio, Haven, Hunter, Roth and Sabol
Nays: None
Absent: Mayor Luginski and Hargis

Motion Carried.
Moved by Bisio, supported by Haven to approved consent agenda as presented with minor corrections.

Motion Carried.
Absent: Mayor Luginski and Hargis
Resolved by Roth, supported by Haven to approve the low bid to purchase flowers for Main Street Parking lot not to exceed \$1,000.

Resolution Adopted.
Resolved by Sabol, supported by Haven to adopt the amended general fund budget for fiscal year 2012. Amended general fund budget for fiscal year 2012 is attached to this resolution. This resolution adopts the amended general fund budget for fiscal year 2012 by activity/department and serves as the general appropriations act required by the uniform budgeting and accounting act.

Resolution Adopted.
Resolved by Sabol, supported by Roth that the FY2012 Final Major Roads budget be amended by activity/department as follows on June 25, 2012 per the attached 2012 final major roads budget.

Resolution Adopted.
Resolved by Roth, supported by Haven that the FY2012 Final Local Roads budget be amended by activity/department as follows on June 25, 2012 per the attached 2012 final local roads budget.

Resolution Adopted.
Resolved by Sabol, supported by Haven to adopt the FY2013 General Fund Budget by activity/department with revenues of \$644,678 including 13.1979 mills operating levy and expenditures of \$626,289 in accordance with the Michigan State Law and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) per the attached 2013 general fund budget.

Resolution Adopted.
Moved by Sabol, supported by Haven to extend meeting pass 9:00 p.m.

Motion Carried.
Resolved by Sabol, supported by Haven to adopt the Major Roads Budget for FY2013 by activity/department with revenues of \$58,794.05 and expenditures of \$58,794.05 in accordance with Michigan State Law and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) per the attached 2013 major roads budget.

Resolution Adopted.
Resolved by Sabol, supported by Roth to adopt the Local Roads Budget for FY2013 by activity/department with revenues of \$27,381.66 and expenditures of \$27,381.66 in accordance with Michigan State Law and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) per the attached 2013 local roads budget.

Resolution Adopted.
Resolved by Haven, supported by Roth that the Clarkston City Council adopt the FY2013 City Council Salaries in the amount of \$8,000.

Moved by Haven, supported by Roth to sell the Clarkston Police Department Badge for \$25.00 subject to approval of the insurance company.
Motion Carried.
Moved by Roth, supported by Haven to adjourn meeting at 9:27 p.m.
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Richter,
City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE
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NOTICE OF ELECTION
PRIMARY ELECTION
AUGUST 7, 2012
IN

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
To the Qualified Electors:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Primary Election will be held in:

City of the Village of Clarkston
County of Oakland, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2012

THE POLLS will be open
7 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m.
ALL POLLING PLACES ARE HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE
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INSTRUCTIONS ARE AVAILABLE
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Precinct 1
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375 Depot Road
Clarkston, MI 48346

INFORMATION ON OBTAINING
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FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES
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FOLLOWING OFFICES:

CONGRESSIONAL UNITED STATES SENATOR,
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE IN STATE LEGISLATURE

COUNTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY,
SHERIFF, CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS,
TREASURER, WATER RESOURCES COMMISSIONER AND COUNTY COMMISSIONER

JUDICIAL JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT - 6TH CIRCUIT - NON-INCUMBENT POSITION
NOMINATION OF PARTISAN CANDIDATES FOR ANY ADDITIONAL OFFICES AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING:

DELEGATES TO THE COUNTY CONVENTION OF THE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PARTIES AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT NO. 62 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933 AS AMENDED

I, Andrew E. Meisner, County Treasurer of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of July 17, 2012, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Township of Independence, in said County, is as follows:

LOCAL UNIT	VOTED INCREASE	YEARS EFFECTIVE
Clarkston Community Schools	19,2491	2006 - 2015 (Non-Homestead)
County School District of Oakland County	3,6483	Unlimited
County of Oakland	.2415	2012 - 2021 Incl.
Oakland Community College	1.00	Unlimited
	.7811	Beg. 07/01/2012 (10 years)

Dated: July 17, 2012
ANDREW E. MEISNER, TREASURER
OAKLAND COUNTY

Kelly Richter
City of the Village of Clarkston
375 Depot Road,
Clarkston, MI 48346
248-625-1559

PUBLIC NOTICE
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2012
IN THE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

To the Qualified Electors:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Election will be held in the:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2012

The polls will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m.

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At the polling places listed below:
PRECINCT # POLLING LOCATION

- 1 St. Trinity Lutheran Church - 7925 Sashabaw Rd.
- 2 First Congregational Church - 5449 Clarkston Rd.
- 3 & 4 North Oaks Community Church - 9600 Ortonville Rd.
- 5 Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church - 6805 Bluegrass
- 6 Clarkston Community Church - 6300 Clarkston Rd.
- 7 Clarkston Free Methodist Church - 5482 Winell St. at Maybee Rd.
- 8 Maranatha Baptist Church - 5790 Flemings Lake Rd.
- 9 & 10 Mt. Zion Church - 4900 Maybee Rd.
- 11 Oakland Woods Baptist Church - 5628 Maybee Rd.
- 12 Independence Township Public Library - 6495 Clarkston Rd.
- 13 Carriage House @ Clintonwood Park - 6000 Clarkston Rd.
- 14 Pine Knob Elementary School - 6020 Sashabaw Rd.

Absent voter ballots may be obtained from:
Township Clerk
6483 Waldon Center Dr.
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Clarkston, Michigan 48347

The Tuesday, August 7, 2012 Primary Election will be conducted in all voting precincts of the Charter Township of Independence for the purpose of nominating candidates of all participating political parties for the following offices:

CONGRESSIONAL: United States Senator; Representative in Congress 8th District;
LEGISLATIVE: Representative in State Legislature-43rd District;

COUNTY: County Executive; Prosecuting Attorney; Sheriff; Clerk/Register of Deeds; Treasurer; Water Resources Commissioner; and County Commissioner Districts 1 and 4;

JUDICIAL: Judge of Circuit Court - 6th District (Non-Incumbent Position);
LOCAL: Supervisor; Clerk, Treasurer and Trustees (4)

AND for the purpose of electing:
Delegates to the County Convention of the Democratic and Republican parties;

AND for the purpose of voting on the following County proposal:

OAKLAND COUNTY ART INSTITUTE AUTHORITY MILLAGE

The Oakland County Art Institute Authority established pursuant to Public Act 296 of 2010 to allow for continuing support of art institute services for the students, residents and visitors of Oakland County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors to levy a tax of not more than 0.2 mill (20 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on real and personal property to provide revenue to an art institute services provider for this purpose. Accordingly, to continue providing art institute services to benefit the residents of Oakland County, shall a 0.2 mill on all of the taxable property located within the County be imposed for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2012 through 2021? It is estimated that if approved and levied, this new millage would generate approximately \$9,847,191 in 2012.

YES
NO
AND for the purpose of voting on the following Township proposals:

RENEWAL OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES OPERATING MILLAGE

Shall the Charter Township of Independence be authorized to continue the previously authorized levy of up to 3.1688 mills for a period of four (4) years, starting with the December 2012 levy, to provide fire protection and

emergency services, including advanced life support, in the Township?

This proposed millage is a renewal of previously authorized millage for the above-stated purpose. Approval of this proposal would renew a tax limitation increase of \$3.17 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the Township. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect \$4,217,400.00 in the first year if approved and levied. It is estimated that 95.68% of the annual millage revenue would be disbursed to the Charter Township of Independence for fire and emergency services and, as required by law, 4.32% would be disbursed to the Township's Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority. The amount disbursed to the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority shall be collected solely from properties within the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority District.

Yes
No
ADDITIONAL FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES OPERATING MILLAGE

Shall the Charter Township of Independence be authorized to levy up to .59 mills for a period of four (4) years, starting with the December 2012 levy, to be added to the above proposed millage renewal (for a total millage of 3.7588), for purposes of providing fire protection and emergency services, including advanced life support, in the Township?

This proposed millage authorizes new additional millage for the above-stated purpose. Approval of this proposal would permit an additional tax limitation increase of 59 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the Township. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect an additional \$785,240.00 in the first year if approved and levied. It is estimated that 95.68% of the annual millage revenue would be disbursed to the Charter Township of Independence for fire and emergency services and, as required by law, 4.32% would be disbursed to the Township's Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority. The amount disbursed to the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority shall be collected solely from properties within the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority District.

YES
NO

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Township of Independence	3.1688	Dec. 2008 (4 years)
	.4494	Dec. 2009 (10 years)
	0.1	2008 - 2017 Incl.
Clarkston Community Schools	19,2491	2006 - 2015 (Non-Homestead)
Lake Orion Community Schools	18.00	2005 - 2014 Incl. (Non-Homestead)
Waterford School District	2.25	2006 - 2014 Incl.
County School District of Oakland County	3,6483	Unlimited
County of Oakland	.2415	2012 - 2021 Incl.
Oakland Community College	1.00	Unlimited
	.7811	Beg. 07/01/2012 (10 years)

Dated: July 17, 2012
Andrew E. Meisner, Treasurer
Oakland County
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

PUBLISHED & POSTED: Wednesday, April 25, 2012

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2012-344, 385-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of Ruth Ann Wise, Deceased. Date of birth:
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Ruth Ann Wise, Deceased, died November 2, 2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Larry C. Wise, 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 representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
JULY 17, 2012

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 6:00 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.
Also Present: Bart Clark, Superintendent; Julie Meredith, Library Director; Joe Barnhart, Independence Television Manager; Dave Belcher, Director of Building, Zoning and Planning; Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst; Gregg Schultz, Schultz & Young, PC; Steven Joppich, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich, PC; Dick Carlisle, Carlisle/Wortman Associates)

Appointment of Acting Chair - Approved
D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as amended
The Regular Meeting RECESSED at 6:02 PM
E. CLOSED SESSION:
1. Attorney-Client Privileged-Legal Opinion, as permitted by MCL 15.268(h)
2. Union Negotiations as permitted by MCL 15.268(c)

The Regular Meeting RECONVENED at 7:30 PM
F. BOARD / PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None
G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
H. PUBLIC HEARING: None
I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

- 1. Presentation: 2011 Audit Report (Leslie Pulver, Kris Ray; Plante Moran)

Public Comment: Mike Clark
2. Report: Fiscal 2012 Budget Presentation; Cable TV (Joe Barnhart, Independence Television Manager; Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst)
3. Report: Superintendent's Report (Bart Clark, Superintendent)

Public Comment: Darwin Moore
4. Report: Building Department Director-Final Report (Bar Pallotta, Clerk; Bart Clark, Superintendent)

Public Comment: Jim Clark, Robertson Brothers; Joan McCrary; Gary Leber; Jim Elma

J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

- K. CONSENT AGENDA:
1. Approval of Board of Trustees Regular Budget Meeting Minutes; June 12, 2012
2. Approval of Board of Trustees Regular General Meeting Minutes; June 19, 2012- Removed
3. Approval of Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes; June 25, 2012

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:
1. Approval of Board of Trustees Regular General Meeting Minutes; June 19, 2012 as amended

- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:
1. Approval of First Reading of Amendment to McLaren Health Care PUD (Dick Carlisle, Carlisle/Wortman)
2. Denial of Second Read of Amendments to Chapter 20, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article III, Open Burning (Larry Ross, Trustee; Steve Joppich, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich, PC)

Public Comment: Dave Baran; Mike Marr; Dan Wheeler; Theodore Ginn; Brooke Davis; John Keusch; Charlie Valenti; Joette Kurse; Joan McCrary; Michele Keusch; Andrea Hirsch; Don Coppersmith; Kathy Vandeven
3. Appointment of District Library Board Members (Julie Meredith, Library Director)

The Regular Meeting RECESSED at 11:29 PM
The Regular Meeting RECONVENED at 11:35 PM

- 4. Approval to Direct Superintendent to further investigate Oil/Gas Drilling on Township Properties (Bart Clark, Superintendent)

Public Comment: Nanci Anderson-Bereznicki; Joette Kurse

- 5. Approval of Second Reading of Code of Ordinance Amendments (Bart Clark, Superintendent; Barb Pallotta, Clerk)
- 6. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run and Payroll in the amount of \$1,041,619.5
- 7. Approval of Reconsideration and Approval of Language Change to District Library Agreement (Julie Meredith, Library Director)

N. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Lohmeier; Treasurer Carson; Trustee Rosso; Trustee Wallace
O. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

- 1. Report: Monthly/Financial Update (Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst)
- 2. Report: Safety Path Advisory Minutes; May 7, 2012
- 3. Report: Building Department Monthly Report; June 2012
- P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 12:24 AM on Wednesday, July 18, 2012
Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, July 18, 2012

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its Regular Meeting of July 17, 2012 the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Amend Certain Provisions of the Charter Township Code, as follows:

ORDINANCE # 2012-05

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PREAMBLE

The Township of Independence has determined it is appropriate and necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township to amend Chapter 30 of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, Chapter 30, Article IV (Offenses Against Property); to amend Section 30-89(b) and create Section 30-89(c) to provide penalty for violation of Section 30-89, pursuant to MCL 750.552 as amended. Therefore,

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS:

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the "Amendment to Trespass Ordinance".

Section 2. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 30-89(b). Chapter 30 of the Independence Charter Township Code, Article IV (Offenses Against Property), Section 30-89(b) is hereby amended and shall read as follows: Section 30-89(b) in all other cases, a person shall not do any of the following:

- 1.) Enter the lands or premises of another without lawful authority after having been forbidden to do so by the owner or occupant or the agent of the owner or occupant.
- 2.) Remain without lawful authority on the land or premises of another after being notified to depart by the owner or occupant or the agent of the owner or occupant.
- 3.) Enter or remain without lawful authority on fenced or posted farm property of another person without the consent of the owner or his or her lessee or agent. A request to leave the premises is not a necessary element for a violation of this subdivision. This subdivision does not apply to a person who is in the process of attempting, by the most direct route, to contact the owner or his or her lessee or agent to request consent.

Section 3. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 30-89. Section 30-89(c), Chapter 30 of the Independence Charter Township Code, Article IV is hereby amended to create Section 30-89(c), which Section shall read as follows:

Section 30-89(c). PENALTY. A person who violates this Ordinance is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 30 days or by a fine of not more than \$250.00, or both.

State Law Reference MCL 750.552, as amended. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the Township in the event of a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 4. BALANCE OF ORDINANCE REMAINS IN EFFECT.

The balance of Ordinance 30-89 shall remain in full force and effect except as specifically modified herein.

Section 5. SEVERABILITY. If any Section, subsection, clause, phrase or portions of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independence portion of this ordinance and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 6. SAVINGS. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section 7. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 8. NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED. The Township Clerk for the Charter Township of Independence

shall publish this ordinance in the manner required by MCL 42.22

Effective Date: This Ordinance section will be in effect as an Ordinance of the Charter Township of Independence immediately upon its Publication.

CERTIFICATION

It is certified that the ordinance set forth above was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting duly called and held on July 17, 2012.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
Barbara A. Pallotta, Township Clerk

Introduced: June 19, 2012
Adopted: July 17, 2012
Published: July 25, 2012
Effective: July 25, 2012

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its Regular Meeting on July 17, 2012, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Amend Certain Provisions of the Charter Township Code, as follows:

ORDINANCE # 2012-03

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PREAMBLE

The Township of Independence has determined it is appropriate and necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township to amend Chapter 30 of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, Chapter 30, Article IV (Offenses Against Property); to amend and replace Section 30-97, as previously reserved, and add new Section 30-97 and to provide penalties for violation thereof. Therefore,

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS:

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the "Illegal Dumping" Ordinance.

Section 2. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 30-97. Chapter 30 of the Independence Charter Township Code, Article IV (Offenses Against Property), Section 30-97, previously reserved, is amended and replaced by new Section 30-97, which shall read as follows:

Section 30-97: Illegal Dumping.
Any person who shall dump, deposit or place any filth, garbage or refuse, including but not limited to rubbish, waste material, offal paper, glass, cans, bottles, trash, debris, or other foreign substances, on the grounds or premises of another, without the specific permission of the owner thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

State law reference MCL 750.552a. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the Township in the event of a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 3. SEVERABILITY. If any Section, subsection, clause, phrase or portions of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independence portion of this ordinance and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 4. SAVINGS. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section 5. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 6. NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED. The Township Clerk for the Charter Township of Independence shall publish this ordinance in the manner required by MCL 42.22

Effective Date: This Ordinance section will be in effect as an Ordinance of the Charter Township of Independence immediately upon its Publication.

CERTIFICATION

It is certified that the ordinance set forth above was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of July, 2012.

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

Introduced: June 19, 2012
Adopted: July 17, 2012
Published: July 25, 2012
Effective: July 25, 2012

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its Regular Meeting on July 17, 2012, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Amend Certain Provisions of the Charter Township Code, as follows:

ORDINANCE # 2012-06

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 46 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE, OAKLAND COUNTY CHAPTER 46, ARTICLE II (TRAFFIC CODE) DIVISION III (MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE);

TO ADOPT SECTION 625(1)(c) OF THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE BY REFERENCE AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR A VIOLATION OF THAT SECTION,

PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 8 OF 2012
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS:

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the "High BAC Amendment" to the Motor Vehicle Code Ordinance.

Section 2. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE. This is an ordinance to amend Chapter 46 of the Code of the Charter Township of Independence, "Traffic and Vehicles", at Article II, Division III "Michigan Vehicle Code", to adopt Section 625(1)(c) of the Michigan Vehicle Code by reference and to provide penalties for a violation of that Section, pursuant to Public Act 8 of 2012.

Section 3. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 46-80. Section 46-80 of the Code of the Charter Township of Independence, Article II "Traffic Code", Division III "Michigan Vehicle Code" previously reserved, is hereby replaced and new Section 46-80 is hereby added, which Section shall read as follows:

"Section 46-80. Operating While Intoxicated (BAC .17 or more).

Section 625(1)(c) of the Michigan Vehicle Code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 et seq is hereby adopted by reference as an Ordinance of the Township pursuant to Public Act 8 of 2012. State law reference (MCL 257.1 et seq) as amended; (MCL 42.21) as amended."

Section 4. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 46-78. Section 46-78 of the Code of the Charter Township of Independence, Article II "Traffic Code", Division III "Michigan Vehicle Code", is hereby amended to replace Section 46-78, which Section shall read as follows:

"Section 46-78. Limitations.

Violations of the Michigan Vehicle Code for which the maximum period of imprisonment is greater than 93 days and/or fine is greater than \$500.00 shall not be enforced by the Township as an ordinance violation; provided however, that a violation of MCL 257.625(1)(c) is punishable by one or more of the following:

- (i) Community service for not more than 360 hours.
- (ii) Imprisonment for not more than 180 days.
- (iii) A fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$700.00."

Section 5. SEVERABILITY. If any Section, subsection, clause, phrase or portions of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independence portion of this ordinance and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 6. SAVINGS. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section 7. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 8. NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED. The Township Clerk for the Charter Township of Independence shall publish this ordinance in the manner required by MCL 42.22

Effective Date: This Ordinance section will be in effect as an Ordinance of the Charter Township of Independence immediately upon its Publication.

CERTIFICATION

It is certified that the ordinance set forth above was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting duly called and held on July 17, 2012.

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

Introduced: June 19, 2012
Adopted: July 17, 2012
Published: July 25, 2012
Effective: July 25, 2012

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its Regular Meeting on July 17, 2012, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Amend Certain Provisions of the Charter Township Code, as follows:

ORDINANCE # 2012-04

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
PREAMBLE

The Township of Independence has determined it is appropriate and necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township to amend Chapter 40 of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, Chapter 40, Article III (Litter), to amend Sections 40-99, 40-102 and 40-105 and to provide penalties for violation thereof. Therefore,

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS:

Section 1. **SHORT TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the "Amendment to Litter Ordinance".

Section 2. **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 40-99 (Prohibition Generally).** Chapter 40 of the Independence Charter Township Code, Article III (Litter), Section 40-99 is hereby amended to add general penalty provision and read as follows:

Section 40-99: **Prohibition Generally.**

No person shall dump, deposit, place, throw or leave, or cause or permit the dumping, depositing, placing, throwing or leaving of litter on any public or private property within the township other than on property designated and set aside for such purposes, or in receptacles provided for that purpose.

Violation of this Article is a civil infraction except as expressly provided otherwise herein.

Section 3. **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 40-102.** Chapter 40 of the Independence Charter Township Code, Article III (Litter) Section 40-102 is hereby amended and new Section 40-102 is hereby added, which Section shall read as follows:

Section 40-102: **Throwing Dangerous Substances.**
Any person who shall place or throw glass or other dangerous pointed or edged substances in or on any beach or waters adjacent thereto, highway, or walk, or on public property within 50 feet of a public highway, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

State law reference MCL 750.493a.

Section 4. **AMENDMENT TO SECTION 40-105.** Chapter 40 of the Independence Charter Township Code, Article III (Litter), Section 40-105 is hereby amended to add penalty and read as follows:

Section 40-105: **Litter or Objects Falling in Path of Vehicles.**

No person shall cause any litter or any object to fall or to be thrown into the path of or to hit a vehicle traveling on the highway.

Violation of this Section is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both.

State Law Reference MCL 324.8903

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the Township in the event of a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 5. **Balance of Ordinance Remains in Effect.**

The balance of Article III shall remain in full force and effect, except as specifically modified herein.

Section 6. **SEVERABILITY.** If any Section, subsection, clause, phrase or portions of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independence portion of this ordinance and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 7. **SAVINGS.** All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section 8. **REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 9. **NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED.** The Township Clerk for the Charter Township of Independence shall publish this ordinance in the manner required by MCL 42.22

Effective Date: This Ordinance section will be in effect as an Ordinance of the Charter Township of Independence immediately upon its Publication.

CERTIFICATION

It is certified that the ordinance set forth above was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Town-

ship of Independence at a meeting duly called and held on July 17, 2012.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

By: Barbara A. Pallotta, Township Clerk

Introduced: June 19, 2012

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST
FOR THE

PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2012

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Independence will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the computer equipment to be used for the tabulation of absentee and precinct ballots for the PRIMARY ELECTION to be held Tuesday, August 7, 2012.

The test will take place at 10:00 AM, Thursday, August 2, 2012 in the Township Hall Board Room, 6483 Waldon Center Dr. - Clarkston, Michigan 48346.

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Clerk

PUBLISHED & POSTED: Wednesday, August 25, 2012

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PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST
THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2012

The City of the Village of Clarkston announces a Public Accuracy Testing of the computer program on Thursday, July 26, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. for the November 8, 2011 General Election.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of the law.

This testing will be held at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, Michigan.

Kelly Richter, Clerk
City of the Village of Clarkston

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

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NOMINATING PETITIONS
NOVEMBER CITY ELECTION
OFFICES OF CITY COUNCIL

Registered voters in the City of the Village of Clarkston will be electing a Mayor for a two year term, three (3) City Council Members for a two year term at an election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

Nominating Petitions for the above-named positions are available from the City Clerk, 375 Depot Road, and are due to be completed and returned to the Clerk on or before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7, 2012. Petitions shall be signed by not less than twenty nor more than forty registered electors in the City of the Village of Clarkston.

PETITIONS RECEIVED AFTER 4:00 P.M. AUGUST 7, 2012 CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.

Also required is an Affidavit of Identity available from the City Clerk.

Note: Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent, available from the City Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2012.

Please call (248) 625-1559, if there are any questions.

Kelly Richter
City Clerk



From left are Music Under the Moonlight organizers Karen Sommerville, Malinda Werth, and Patti DeVelbiss. Photos provided

Concert for a good cause

Malinda Werth hosts the fourth-annual Music Under the Moonlight concert, Saturday, 5-10 p.m., Aug. 4, in the outdoor pavilion behind New Hope Bible Church at 8643 Sashabaw Road.

"This year we are going to host several anti-human trafficking organizations that will be speaking in between musical line-ups to talk about their organization and how people can get involved in the solution," Werth said. "They will also be setting up their information in booths we well."

Music Under The Moonlight will feature several local musicians, including Shaye and Dan Tennant, Arnie, Pat and Chris Herberg, Marty Fleszar, Lindi Nelson, Emily Polet and Sarah Dalton.

Werth partners with the Justice Project, a ministry geared toward the rescue and rehabilitation of victims held against their will in the global sex trade.

"This event is a great way for the community to rally together, get involved and do something to help in this fight against human trafficking," she said. "It is a good cause and a fun evening. I want people to know that anyone can play a part in making the world a better place. It just starts with being willing to see what is going on in the world in order to change something about it."

The event also includes food and drinks donated by the community, s'mores around a bonfire and free children's activities.

Werth has been trained as a licensed professional counselor, as well as a certified advanced alcohol and drug counselor. She works with the Justice Project in victim identification and counseling to victims as part of their aftercare.

A \$15 donation is suggested for attendance.

- Phil Custodio



Sarah Dalton sings at last year's Music Under the Moonlight.

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July 25, 2012

What are some big issues in the upcoming election?

"Healthcare is the most important thing nationally. Especially for people my age."



- Alex Mager

"In the national election it's healthcare."



- Cathy Forst

"Healthcare. Also fixing Dixie Highway near Kroger."



- Francie Bauer

"Abortion. The values in our country are messed up because of it. Nobody respects life anymore."



- Mike Donnellon

By Krysten Cooper

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Boat race tests RUSH design skills

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston High School senior Regart Haven hadn't considered joining TEAM Rush when she was younger.

"I didn't think it was my thing," she admitted.

When Haven went to her first RUSH Regatta at Deer Lake to support her sister and her team's cardboard and duct-tape boat race against others.

"This looks like a ton of fun," she said.

She decided to go to a few presentations and saw the process of the boat building.

"For someone who hadn't wanted to join Rush, going to the Regatta really helped me to understand what it really is," she said. "It wasn't just about engineering, math and science, which is a huge part, but it is about working together and becoming a team."

Haven is in her last few days of preparation as the RUSH Regatta quickly approaches on Saturday.

It is her third and final Regatta and she wants to win this year, or at least finish well.

Her opponents are also planning on a good finish.

"Our team really wanted to win so we went all out," said junior Ryan Hopper.

"We looked at last year's designs," his teammate junior Mitchell Petrimoulx added. "We looked at what worked well and what didn't work well. We decided we were going to build a canoe style like last year's winner. We



A Team RUSH Regatta boat crew rolls out their design at the July 4 parade. File photo

took the design and modified it to make it better."

They also looked at the advantages and disadvantages of each boat from last year's boats.

Haven and her team also had to look at advantages but with each other's ideas of what would work best for their boat.

"My teammate wanted to do a canoe and I didn't know it would be a right shape," she said. "We worked together."

The students have four components for their regatta event - they get sponsors for the team, build their boat, get teams from FIRST robotics to participate and work with mentors and new students.

The teams call businesses for sponsorship. The money raised helps

with dues as well as travel to tournaments covering costs to travel, lodge, and the entry fee.

"We traveled to Baltimore and it was a fairy tale weekend," added Kyle Hughes, TEAM Rush leader. "They got a taste and said let's do it again. They do get incentives towards their dues, too. The financial times are tough. Some kids didn't have enough money last year and the regatta helped their parents for their dues."

"We approached it head on," said Petrimoulx. "We contacted as many businesses as possible."

His team created a set plan of what they were going to say to businesses. They not only kept calling but also went to events like the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce mixers and The Clarkston News' Clarkston Coffee

Club

Watch the cardboard boats as they take to the water in the fifth annual RUSH Regatta is this Saturday at Deer Lake Beach, 350 White Lake Road, at 12p.m.

"It is a really interesting event," Petrimoulx said. "There are eight teams out there. It is not usually something that goes on. It also shows engineering and STEM curriculum is really important."

"We have been working all summer on these boats to make them the best we can," added Hopper. "Some of them are going to sink it is probably inevitable. It is still really fun to watch all the designs all the students thought about."

For more information, please visit www.teamrush27.net.



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AARP Driver Safety Class, 1:30-5:30 p.m., July 31, Aug. 2. \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members, special price of \$5 for educators. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Register, 248-625-8231.

35th Reunion, Clarkston High School Class of 1977, 6:30 p.m., July 28, The Shark Club, 6665 Highland Road, Waterford. Email howelljv@gmail.com, Clarkston77@comcast.net.

Pickleball Demonstration and Clinic, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., July 28, Clintonwood Park Tennis Courts, 6000 Clarkston Road. Free. All equipment is provided.

Music Under the Moonlight, 5-10 p.m., Aug. 4, outdoor pavilion behind New Hope Bible Church, 8643 Sashabaw Road. Features several local musicians including Shaye and Dan Tennant, Arnie, Pat and Chris Herberg, Marty Fleszar, Lindi Nelson, Emily Polet and Sarah Dalton. \$15 donation suggested to support work against human trafficking in the U.S. and Europe through the Justice Project.

Blood drive, American Red Cross, sponsored by Clarkston High School Marching Band, 1-7 p.m., Aug. 7, Clarkston Junior High, 6595 Middle Lake Road. 248-802-1396, www.redcrossblood.org, code: "clarkstonmusic."

50+ Paddleboarding Class, 10-11 a.m., Aug. 8, Deer Lake Beach. All equipment provided. \$25/members, \$30/non-members. 248-625-8231.

Ghost Walk, 9-11 p.m., Aug. 11, hosted by Clarkston Community Historical Society. Meet at Depot Park for guided tour through downtown to hear costumed narrators tell stories of Clarkston's paranormal activity. \$12.50, 12 and older. 248-922-0270.

55th Reunion, Lake Orion High School Class of 1957, Aug. 11, Rochester Community House, Rochester. Golf scramble at Bald Mountain Golf Course, Lake Orion, Aug. 10. 248-693-2973.

Around Town



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



Kevin Corrigan of Clarkston races his vintage Alfa GTV on the track.

Vintage races at sportsmen's club

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club and Waterford Hills Road Racing, 4770 Waterford Road in Independence Township, host vintage races, July 27-29, as part of the 34th Annual Concours d'Elegance of America.

The vintage weekend brings racers and spectators from several states and Canada, and includes a Trans-Am 2.5 Challenge Race and modern Corvette Challenge Race. On Sunday, July 29, admission is free

for residents of Clarkston and Independence Township - bring license or state ID. General admission is \$10, free for children under 16.

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Titanic Remembered, presented by the Clarkston Community Historical Society with Maureen Esther, historyteller, 7 p.m., Aug. 21, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

30 year reunion, Lake Orion Class of 1982, Sept. 15, American Legion, Oxford. \$25 in advance. Dinner, live music. Other classes welcome. Call Tammy, 248-766-0183, sunshineangel39@aol.com.

Springfield Farmers Market, Sundays, 10

a.m.-2 p.m., 12000 Davisburg Road. Fresh produce, baked goods, crafts, items for garden. 248-846-6558.

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.

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.

Bingo games, Community Singles, Mondays, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Big Boy, 6440 Dixie Highway. Dinner, dessert prizes. 248-812-0604.

50+ Body Dynamics Class, Mondays, Wednesdays through Aug. 29, 9-10 a.m., Senior Center Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Road, \$55/members, \$60/non-members. 248-625-8231.

50+ Pickleball, indoor, Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4, First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road; outdoor, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30-10:30 a.m., \$2. Clintonwood Park Tennis Courts, 6000 Clarkston Road.

Gentle Yoga with Rev. Matthew Long, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 10 a.m. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-891-4365.

Breast Cancer Support Group, second Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. May 8: Open House Reunion. 21st Century Oncology, 6770 Dixie Highway, Suite 106. 248-625-3841 or 248-798-5503.

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.

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Samantha, a 2008 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 2012 graduate of Michigan State University, and Chuck, a 2007 graduate of CHS and serving in the United State Marine Corps, will reside in Jacksonville, NC, where Chuck is stationed at Camp Lejeune until summer 2013.



Charles and Samantha



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Turn to God in face of challenging changes

One morning, during the summer of 1964, I remember waking up to the sound of a saw. It was very loud and I looked out the window to see where it was coming from.

Back then, we did not have air conditioning, nor did any of the neighbors, so outside noises were much more noticeable. When I looked toward the sound, I noticed a very important tree being toppled. I say "very important" because that tree was a gigantic tree, perfectly suited for our tree hut.

I was very upset that someone had the nerve to cut down our tree, but had to face the reality that it was not our tree because it was not on our land.

In 1962, I was eight years old and had spent most of my days in Independence Township. It was a different place at that time, mostly farmland, empty fields, and forested land. For us kids, the undeveloped lands were our playground.

Nobody seemed to care, so the fields were for baseball and the woods were our playground. Animals roamed free and so did we. It did not matter who owned most of the land, it was not often used, so not much thought was given to ownership.

Of course, those times have changed and most lands are developed, or carefully guarded by the owners. I have seen many changes over the years, as waves of people

and development has taken place during the good times.

It seems that development comes in spurts, so each successive wave had a resting time. The resting times gave the people just enough time to see their town as one in need of preservation from further change. However, change has been constant and on-going and there is no way to stop it. The debate, of course, is how we will manage the change when it comes.

An observation I have made in human behavior is, we quickly see the status quo as something that we need to preserve.

During the "status quo" times, we see the conditions and behaviors that we have in response to our environment as rights, when in fact: it is simply a behavior dictated by the times. Life is about change.

The changes of life can be managed, but not resisted; as is the case with the political debates over the management of our township, as well as the one we will have with the national elections.

We must embrace the future without fear,

managing the changes under the guidance of the laws of the land.

When I saw the toppling of my important tree at a young age, I had to admit that I had no choice but to surrender my world to the law of the land. Up to that point, my use of the tree was a privilege, or favor, that I was able to take advantage of until the owner exercised their right of use.

That right was established by a law that was not needed until the owner exercised it. Where would we be without laws to guide us? We would become angry and fight to preserve something that was not our right, but was just a privilege enjoyed for a season.

We are living in a time of tumultuous, or fast-paced, change. Many of the privileges we have enjoyed are disappearing.

It is not easy to lose our privileges. Many things we thought were our rights are being threatened. The economic difficulties of the times are bringing many challenges that we never thought we would face.

In some cases, we are faced with challenges that we refuse to face. However, we must embrace the future with all the challenges that they present.

We must embrace change, managing it with an understanding of what is right versus what is a privilege. America has been a "privileged" nation for quite some time. Now,

we must exercise our rights to compete in the new era, and hopefully, provide privileges for our future.

However, we must be careful to understand the proper way for these things to be obtained.

As a pastor, I have observed this as God's order. He provides government and rights, but we must be careful to observe and follow His government. Otherwise, we will be caught up in our emotions and desires and miss the blessing that we have an opportunity to exercise, if we are willing.

Without governing principles, we will lose out in the time of trouble. It is time to exercise our rights by firmly planting ourselves in the Word of God.

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. (Matthew 7:21-25)

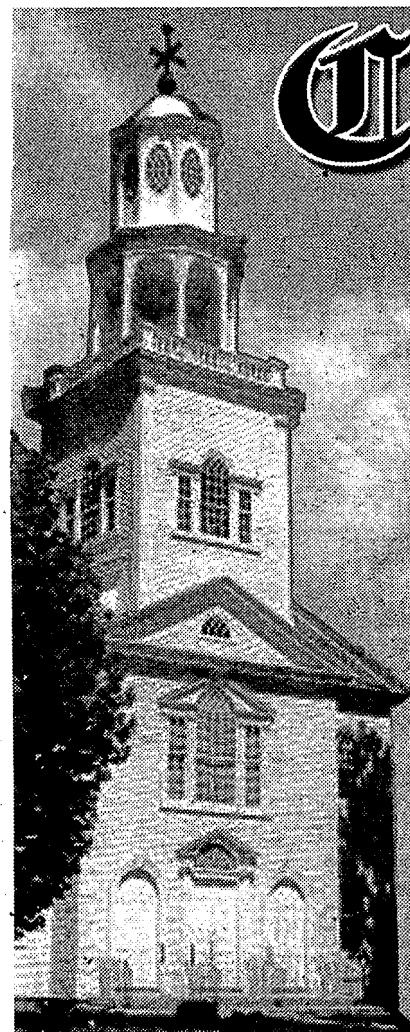
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 Jaynes, Brittney
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 Brozovich, Kaitlin
 Bunting, Spencer
 Burnham, Stephanie
 Campbell, Ashley
 Campbell, Sueann
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Lightfoot, Madison	Stokes, Jordan	Clark, Nikolas	Hamilton, Jeffrey	Marchelletta, Anthony	Seguin, Bryan	Wolfe, Brandy
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Lueck, Deanna	Tarket, Megan	Compagnoni, Christopher	Hancsak, Tyler	Matisse, Katherine	Sharkey II, Joseph	Wood, Chelsea
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Lyons, Lisa	Thompson, Garrett	Cotcher, Hayden	Harris, Jill	McGregor, Ian	Shepard, Jenna	Workman, Justin
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Marani, Stephanie	Toth, Samantha	Croteau, Jasmine	Hefty, Taylor	Mee, Stephen	Shutty, Jacob	Wright, Matthew
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Clarkston Area Optimist Club, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Wednesdays, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-622-6096.

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.

Young At Heart Active Adults, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., lunches, guest speakers, musical performances, field trips, holiday parties, movies, bingo, games. Hart Community Center in Davisburg. \$5 yearly membership, \$5 lunch. 248-846-6558.

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

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.

Clarkston Farmers' Market, Saturdays through Oct. 13, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Education Center, 6300 Church Street.

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

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

Tons of Trucks

Independence Township Parks and Recreation and Seniors invites truck owners to participate in the 10th Annual Tons of Trucks, Aug. 11.

The event at Clintonwood Park attracts over 800 people of all ages, checking out all sorts of trucks and vehicles.

For more information, check www.itpr.org or call 248-625-8223.

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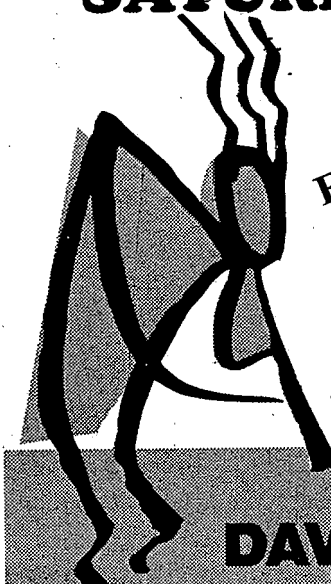
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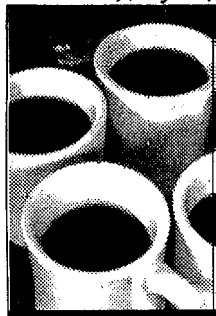
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From left, Michael Anderson, Kimberly Buchholz, Bonnie Anderson of Anderson Family Financial. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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"It is a holistic approach," said Bonnie A. Anderson, Certified Financial Planner. "We view it as it is a process and a relationship lasting through generations."

Anderson Family Financial is new to the Clarkston area but Anderson is celebrating her 25th anniversary this year. Her son, Michael Anderson, and daughter, Kimberly Buchholz joined her a few years ago.

"Our approach is like a family," said Michael. "We have clients with grandmothers all the way down to the grandkids."

They offer personal financial planning as well as income tax preparation.

"The crossover with income tax is unique," Michael said. "Usually when you do financial planning there is always a disclaimer to make sure you talk to your tax professional. We take into account the implication of any investments somebody might do."

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"Another thing is the consistency," Michael said. "For instance my mom has been doing this for so long and people know when she retires who will be handling her accounts. They have met us through the years. They don't have to worry about it."

The list of services they provide include income tax, insurance, retirement planning, estate planning, investment planning, financial strategies, long term care planning and educational planning.

"Whatever is through throughout your financial life we can help with," said Michael.

Anderson Family Financial is located at 6160 Dixie Highway in Suite 260, in the same building at Pete's Coney. They will hold their Grand Opening on Aug. 7.

For more information, please call 248-623-1040 or email andersonfamilyfinancial@gmail.com.

~Wendi Reardon

Business News

Kimberly Propson joins Clarkston State Bank as Assistant Vice President/Senior Credit Analyst.

She started her banking career in 1989 at Standard Federal Bank on the retail side of the business. In 2001, she joined the lending team at Fifth Third Bank where she began underwriting commercial loan transactions. Propson further broadened her lending experience by serving dual roles of Commercial Loan Officer and Commercial Portfolio Manager where she gained business development experience and middle market expertise.



Propson

"Kim's broad banking experience rounds out an already strong commercial banking team at Clarkston State Bank", said Robert Grant, executive vice president and senior lender. "Her experience in middle market banking meshes perfectly with the rest of our team and is an important skill set as we move forward."

Dan Romback of Clarkston was recently promoted to president and COO of KSI Kitchen & Bath in Brighton.

In January 2013, Romback will be named president and CEO. Prior to his promotion, Romback acted as vice-president and CFO.

He has been with the company for over 22 years and has played an integral role in their success. A resident of Clarkston for seven years, he enjoys exploring his hometown by bike and trying out all the local establishments with his wife, Kim.



Romback

Colleen Flynn of Clarkston joins KSI as director of showrooms.

Formerly an account manager with Masco Cabinetry, Flynn will oversee the operation and sales teams of KSI's seven showrooms throughout Michigan and Ohio. In addition to her role at KSI, she manages her own interior design consulting firm, "Work My Room."



Flynn

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Family affair for downtown law firm

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston Attorney Laurie Cunningham knows her new law partner well – it's her son, Noah Fields.

"It's a family business," said Cunningham, who practices law at 21 S. Main Street. "Noah grew up in the business – he'd go to court with my dad (the Hon. Robert Cunningham, who served as a judge in Pontiac). My dream was for my son to come partner with me."

"It's been the plan about as long as I can remember," said Fields, who worked in his mom's law office as a clerk when he was 16 years old.

He later interned at 52-2 District Court with the Hon. Kelley Kostin, and is now assigned there certain days as a public defender.

The firm, which handles mostly family law, is now called Cunningham and Fields.

"I like it, I like the way that sounds, I truly do," Fields said. "It's nice, with the added responsibilities. Before, I was limited in the things I could do. Now, I do everything."

As a student at Cooley Law School in Auburn Hills, he volunteered with Family Law Assistance Project. The project provides free family law legal aid to low income residents in Oakland County.

"I fell in love with it, it felt really good," he said. "Originally, I went into law for the money



Laurie Cunningham and her son, Noah Fields, practice law in downtown Clarkston. Photo by Phil Custodio

– not until that experience did I see something there outside financial gain."

Fields, 28, graduated from Clarkston High

School in 2002, then went to Oakland Community College and Oakland University, graduating in 2008. He passed the bar earlier this year.

"I'm so proud of him," Cunningham said. "There's no greater flattery than for a child to do what his parent does. The legal profession will benefit."

She hopes one day to retire and Fields take over.

"Then, down the road, for my grandchildren to take over," she said.

Fields' plans are to continue to build the family law practice in Clarkston.

"Short term, get my feet wet out there, do as much as I can and help as many as I can," he said. "I really like it here, the Union and Woodshop. I've traveled a lot, but no matter what, I look forward to coming back home to Clarkston."

"I hope the law firm is always in Clarkston," Cunningham said. "This is our home. I like it here, the beautiful downtown with people walking around. It's fabulous."

The family moved to Clarkston from Auburn Hills 25 years ago.

"We (she and her husband Richard Fields) wanted to move out into the country," Cunningham said. "It still has a country feel, though times have changed, and a great school system. It's a good community."

Bernadine L. Semperger, 85

Bernadine L. Semperger of Clarkston passed away July 19, 2012, at age 85.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, William, and her son Andrew. She was the loving mother of Karen Semperger, William (Rosaling) Semperger Jr., Daniel (Kimberley)



Semperger, Leslie (late Robert) Jenks and Amy (Stephen) Czyrka; beloved grandmother of Allison, Janine, D.J., Kayla, Andrew, Samantha, Nicole, Brendan, Justine and Stevie; dear sister of Richard (late Barbara) Bannasch and Roy (Carol) Bannasch. Bernadine retired from Providence Hospital.

Scripture Service was July 20 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was July 21 at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Memorial Donations may be made to St. Jude's Childrens Hospital. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

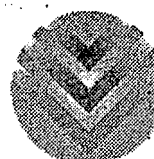
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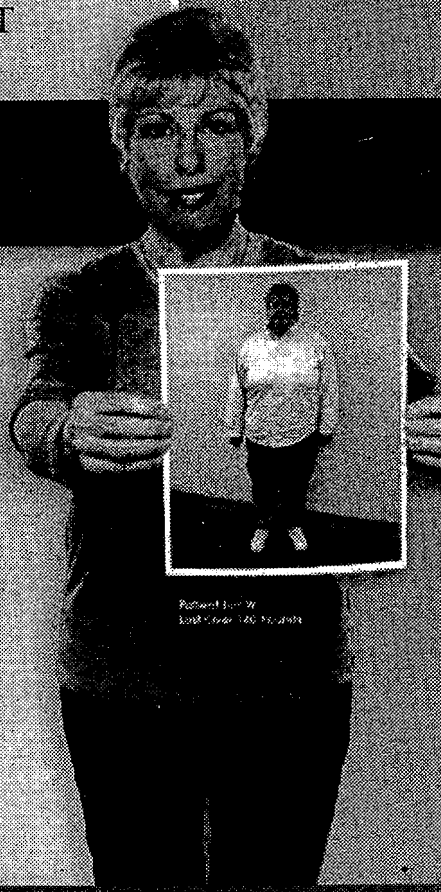
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Sandie Smith, founder of Desert K-9, at left, explains the group's mission, to support military dogs and their handlers, to Cameron Reyes. Cheryl Vallard, in the middle, volunteers with Miracle Quilts. Photos by Phil Custodio

Music in the backyard

Music lovers enjoyed sun and fun at the second annual Backyard Jam, July 21.

The event, hosted by The Birdfeeder, Clarkston Flower Shoppe and Bonnie & Clyde at 7150 North Main Street, was a fund raiser for Desert Angels.

The local non-profit organization founded by Louise Downs ships thousands of care packages each year to troops serving overseas.



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Cars in the park

Concours in the Park will fill Depot Park in downtown Clarkston with a diverse car show and local foods, 6-9 p.m., Friday, July 27. The 26th annual event is organized by Waterford Hills Road Racing Inc. and is one of Clarkston SCAMP's yearly fund raisers.

All proceeds benefit the special needs summer camp.

"Waterford Hills Road Racing has generously supported Concours for 26 years," said Donna Clancy, executive director of the North Oakland SCAMP Funding Corporation.

"It's a fun family event that allows participants to showcase their unique cars. The close-knit community, escorted cruise and delicious food make this event stand out."

Before the show, an escorted cruise will leave Depot Park at 5 p.m. Car owners can take part in the cruise, the car show, or both. Cruise participants should arrive by 4:45 p.m. Entrants not participating in the free cruise should arrive at the park between 5 p.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Concours in the Park is free to the public, but there is a minimum donation fee for entrants who want to show their cars. The fee is \$35 - check clarkstonscamp.com.

The event features a mix of classic and new automobiles, including sports cars and race cars. Awards will be given for Best in Show, People's Choice, Judge's Choice and SCAMPers' Choice. A group of campers pick out SCAMPers' Choice.

"The eclectic collection of cars is the highlight for me," says George Farley, a Ferndale resident who has been attending Concours in the Park for 15 years. This year, he will be bringing his newly restored 1926 Model T. The cherry-red hot rod was completed this past February.

Ice cream from Cook's Farm Dairy and macaroni and cheese from Clarkston Union will be for sale at the volunteer-run food tent. A silent auction will also take place throughout the night. Call 248-623-8089.

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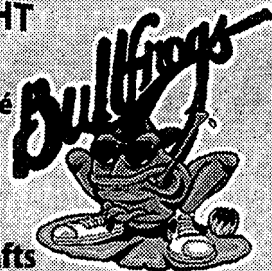


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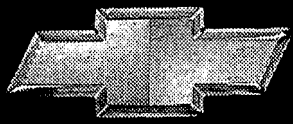
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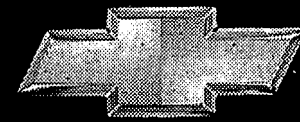
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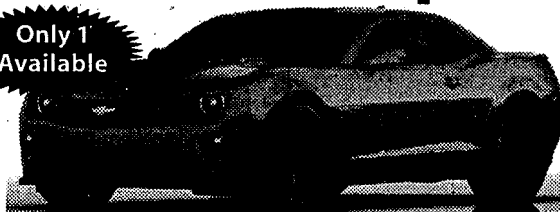
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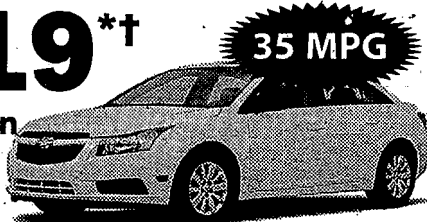
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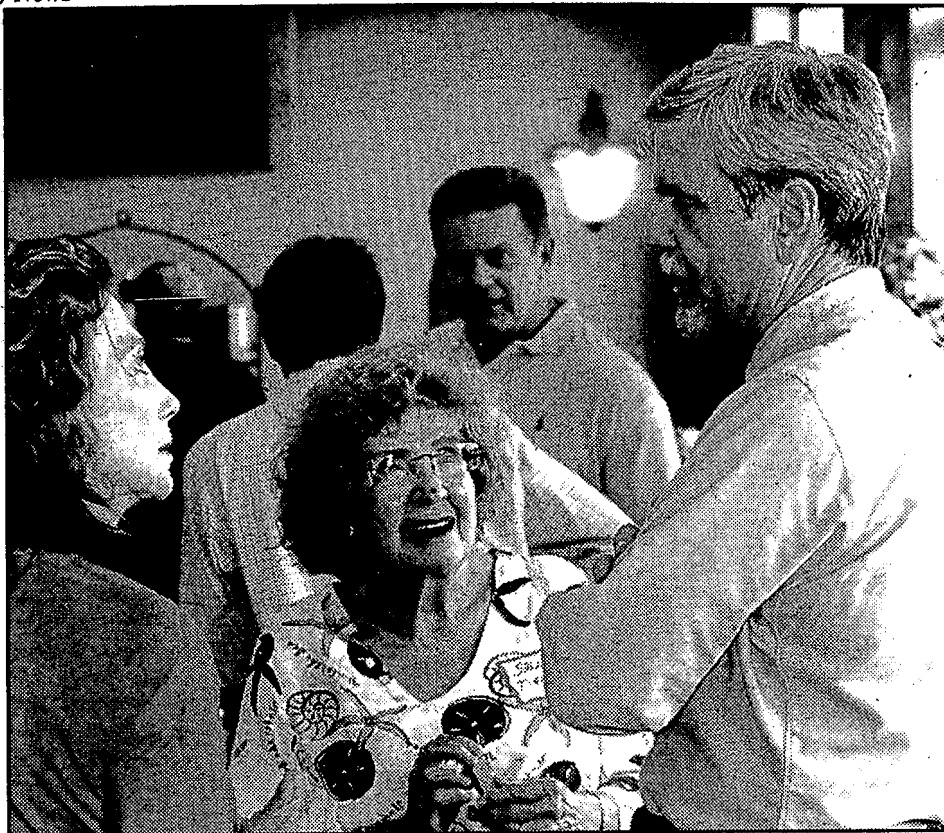
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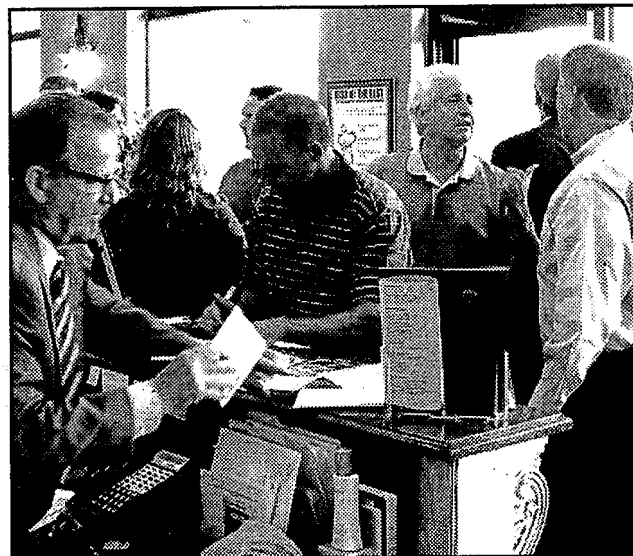
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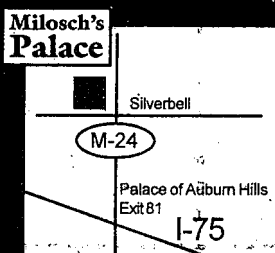
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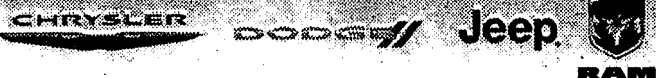
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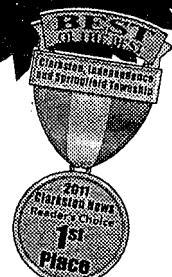
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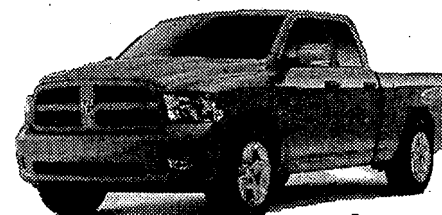


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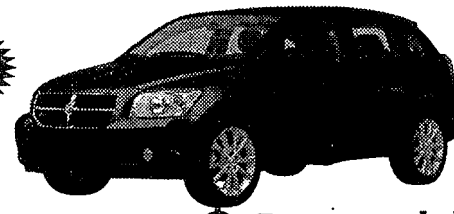


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