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Safety search

Bookbag check, tight security after threat

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Students lined up Monday morning in the Clarkston Junior High School auditorium atrium for a search of their belongings.

The security precaution, in response to a written bomb threat discovered last Friday in a school bathroom, made student Meagan Walters uneasy.

"At first it was a little scary, standing in line, thinking about what was going on" said Walters, an eighth grader. "We thought it would be police who would be searching the bags, but then we saw it was the principal and counselors - that was better. Then we laughed a little bit. They were looking in our bags, through all the garbage in there."

The words "bomb dec. 3" were found written on the walls of a bathroom stall just before the end of the day, around 2 p.m., on Friday, Nov. 30.

School staff locked down the bathroom and called Oakland County Sheriff's deputies, who arrived with bomb-detection dogs and searched the entire building.

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Clarkston Junior High Principal Adam Kern and other school staff check students' belongings, Monday, as a precaution after a bomb threat. Photo by Phil Custodio



HOLIDAY SPIRITS: From left, Stephanie Wolf Hull, Jeremy Hull, Jackie Hooper, and Shana Wirth enjoy some vino at the Cheers for the Holidays wine tasting in Clarkston Mills, Nov. 27. For more pictures, please see page 35. Photo by Mary Keck

City sees the light in sign law

BY MARY KECK
Clarkston News Staff Writer

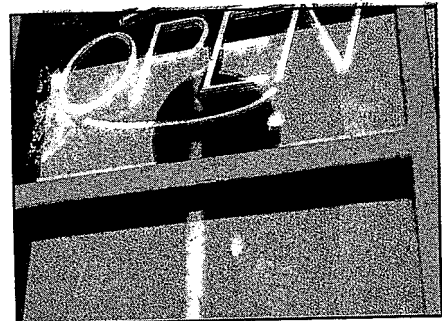
Downtown businesses' "open" signs can now be lit legally.

Clarkston City Council adopted a sign ordinance allowing internally illuminated signs, voting 3-2, Nov. 26.

Council members Mike Sabol, Peg Roth, and Eric Haven voted in favor of the ordinance while Carol Eberhardt and Tom Hunter opposed the measure. Mayor Joe Luginski and Councilman Stephen Hargis were absent.

"I was here 25 years ago when we wrote the ordinance," said Eberhardt who was sworn in that evening. "You don't need internally lit signs to let people know you're open," she added referring to her personal experience as a business owner in downtown Clarkston.

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Main Street business owner Christina Calka lights her "open" sign. Photo by Mary Keck

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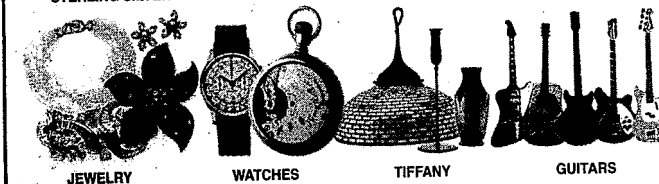
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A GOODFELLOW: Barry Hranach braves a chilly Friday morning at Main and Washington streets, offering Goodfellows newspapers for Clarkston Rotary's Shoes for Kids program. Rotarians and volunteers will distribute shoes, boots, hats, and other clothing to children in need at the Dec. 8 event. Photo by Mary Keck

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Township seeks bids for Brady Lodge preservation

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

With its familiar teal top towering above the trees in Bay Court Park, the Brady Lodge is a well-recognized landmark in Independence Township, but it needs some TLC.

"The physical presence of this building is remarkable," said Ron Campbell a preservation architect, who presented on the Brady Lodge, its history, and its potential for restoration at the board of trustees meeting on Nov. 27.

George Brady constructed the lodge in 1921 and eventually donated it to Boy Scouts of America. Brady's family has a storied history.

For example, George's grandfather, Brigadier General Hugh Brady, carried the first Michigan state flag and is the oldest person to have served in the U.S. Army.

While the lodge is associated with a rich history and has an attractive exterior, its roof and deck need to be replaced. Additional TLC needed to make the building usable includes cleaning, painting, door restoration, and lighting. Campbell estimated the total cost of such a project between \$250,000 to \$260,000.

Despite the Brady family's intriguing history, which dates back to the Revolutionary War, Campbell encouraged the township to use the lodge, if restored, for practical and even revenue-producing purposes rather than as a museum.

"I'm a preservationist, but I always feel that there has to be some practical measure," he said. "At all costs, I like to see something that can generate cash flow at least in a minimal amount that would help to maintain the restoration."

Because the building is not heated, Campbell suggested using the lodge for seasonal events such as farmer's markets, outdoor concerts, or art and craft fairs that might generate money for the township.

For some, the Brady Lodge holds a different value, however.

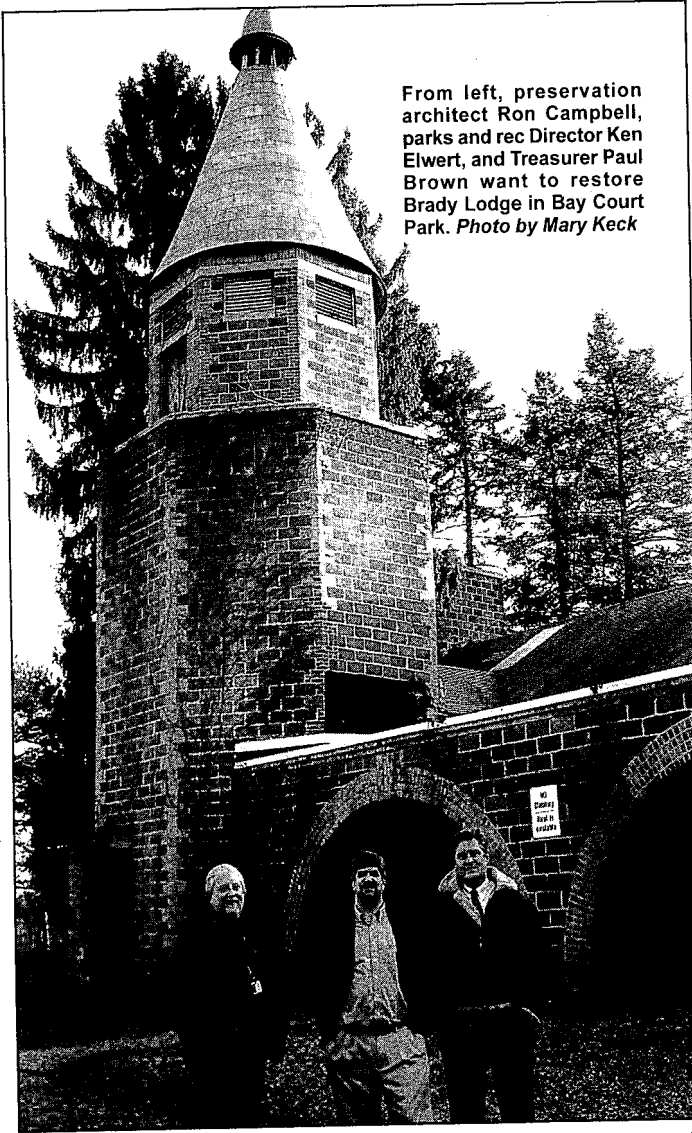
"When I was eight years old, I attended this camp. It was my first time away from home, and I spent a week there," said Treasurer Paul Brown.

Since the Brady Lodge's erection, the building was a favored camping site by the Boy Scouts of America.

Brown, who was a Boy Scout, described how "all the memories came flooding back" when he walked through the lodge in Bay Court.

Campers were served meals in the building when Brown attended, and he suggested others with memories of camping in Bay Court park would be willing to help with fund raising to restore the Brady Lodge.

"I really would support finding a way to keep this building standing and to put it back into use," said Brown. "There's a lot more



From left, preservation architect Ron Campbell, parks and rec Director Ken Elwert, and Treasurer Paul Brown want to restore Brady Lodge in Bay Court Park. Photo by Mary Keck

people like me who would support this."

Right now, the lodge is only used for some equipment storage, but "it's becoming a safety risk," said Parks, Recreation, and Seniors Director Ken Elwert.

"We've got an exponential problem in that if we don't do anything, it's going to get exponentially worse," Trustee David Lohmeier summed up.

He mentioned concerns about the building's lack of heating and bathrooms, and pointed out, "we have to have a business model that works year after year."

"At the minimum, we're using it for a storage facility for all of maintenance equipment, so if the decision is made to gut

it, we still have to put a boatload of money in a facility to store our equipment," said Supervisor Pat Kittle.

Tearing the lodge down would cost about \$56,000 to \$60,000 and building a new facility at the same square footage could amount to \$1.1 million, Campbell estimated.

In a unanimous vote the board allowed Elwert to solicit bids for roof repairs to the Brady Lodges as part of the Parks, Recreation and Seniors Capital Improvement Plan.

View the township's CIP on www.twp.independence.mi.us. Watch "Seeing Green" on clarkstontv.com to find out more.

Briefly

Township on demand

Residents can view township meetings at their convenience now that they are available on demand.

According to Independence TV Program Manager Joe Barnhart, all board of trustees, zoning board of appeals, planning commission, and district library board meetings will be made available within about 48 hours from the day they are recorded.

"The programs are identical to what's on TV," said Barnhart.

In the future, he anticipates adding video of some community events such as the Fourth of July parade. View Independence TV On Demand on independencetelevision.pegcentral.com.

Public Hearing on Library's Millage

Would Clarkston Village residents pay higher taxes than township citizens if voters approve a 1.25 mill rate? Why will the library's mill rate be on the ballot again in 2014?

The Clarkston Independence District Library currently levies .691 mills but hopes to levy 1.25 mills in the future. Get answers to your questions about the library's millage and future at the District Library board's public hearing on Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. at the library on Clarkston Road.

Candle lighting

Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home of Clarkston hosts its annual Holiday Memorial Candle Lighting Ceremony, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 11, at Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road.

Psychologist and Grief Specialist Dr. John Canine will provide a brief presentation and remembrance ceremony where participants can light a candle in honor of loved ones who passed away. Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP encouraged by calling 248-625-5231 or emailing wintfuneralhome@gmail.com.

Correction

The story "Look good for holidays with Youthful Image," Nov. 28, included an incorrect web address. The correct address is www.youthfulimageinc.com.

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Kids bundle up and march in a Holiday Lights Parade. Photo provided

Lights in motion at parade

BY MARY KECK
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Expect even the lights to move at the 2012 Holiday Lights Parade this weekend.

"The theme is 'Lights that Move, Tunes that Groove,' which emphasizes moving lights and music," said Kyle Hughes, advisor for Clarkston High School's Team RUSH, which is organizing the parade.

About 40 floats will march in the parade, 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 8, on Main Street from Community Education north to St. Daniel Church.

"The Clarkston Holiday Lights parade is truly a special hometown parade where the floats are hand crafted and really fun," Hughes said. "With the theme of moving parts, now groups and organizations are really trying to get their floats to have moving parts. You won't see many of these floats in other parades because they are created by groups or organizations from the local Clarkston community."

Parade judges will select float winners in five categories: Most Creative, Best Use of Theme, Holiday Spirit, Best Use of Music, and Best Overall Parade Entry.

"All of the floats are really great and it

can be very difficult to narrow down to one winner in each category," Hughes said.

Independence Township Parks, Recreation and Seniors hosts a tree lighting ceremony and greeting from Santa after the parade in Depot Park.

"It's a nice extra bonus for families and an opportunity to experience the Christmas season," said Lisa L. Christensen, recreation coordinator, Independence Township Parks and Recreation.

The park and playground will be decorated with thousands of lights. Activities will include carolers, live reindeer, holiday music, free coffee and hot cocoa, hot dogs for \$1, free popcorn and children's activities, plus write a letter to Santa and bring it with you, or write one while in the park.

"Remember to dress warm," Christensen said. "It's always a really good turn out — we've done a good job of establishing a tradition."

Parking is available at Clarkston Elementary, Clarkston Junior High School, downtown Clarkston lots, and Depot Park.

For more information, call Parks and Recreation at 248-625-8223 or visit www.itpr.org.

HR director axed

BY MARY KECK
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Human Resources Director Carol Gabris will no longer see Independence Township now that the board voted unanimously to eliminate her position and return HR duties to the township supervisor.

The HR director position was created in 2009.

"This is being done for monetary purposes only," said Supervisor Pat Kittle at his first meeting on Nov. 27. "We're looking at a very substantial cash savings that would fall right to the township bottom line."

Restoring the HR functions to the supervisor allows the township to save between \$50,000 to \$60,000 annually, Kittle explained.

"I don't like taking anyone out of a job, but fundamentally people elected Mr. Kittle to do these types of things," said Trustee David Lohmeier.

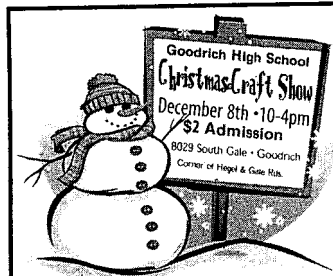
"This is a responsibility that should be handled by the supervisor," Trustee Andrea Schroeder concurred.

Treasurer Paul Brown and Clerk Barb Pallotta offered to lend their experience in human resources to aid Kittle as he takes on Gabris's responsibilities including contract negotiation and payroll.

Gabris leaves the position with one month of salary and three months of health care benefits.



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Belcher back on duty

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After a 6-1 vote, Building Director David Belcher now has staff reporting directly to him. Previously, employees within the Building Department were supervised by former superintendent Bart Clark.

While most on the board felt the building director should lead the department, Trustee David Lohmeier was the sole voice opposed to the change.

"It is not accidental that [Belcher] is not in a supervisory position today," Lohmeier stated. "There's been nothing over the last few months to a year that would indicate to me that the appointment of Mr. Belcher back into a supervisory role is a good idea."

Belcher was suspended for 60 days in July 2011 over \$3,000 in unauthorized bonuses, and was put on a year-long probation.

Despite Lohmeier's protestations, Supervisor Pat Kittle said, "I have seen nothing in my experiences with Mr. Belcher that would give me any cause for alarm."

While Trustee Andrea Schroeder said she agreed with Lohmeier's comments during the meeting, her perspective on returning the department's management to its director was different.

"We need to have the appropriate structures in place regardless of the people involved in these positions," Schroeder said.

"I agree, we need to separate the person from this position," said Clerk Pallotta who evaluated

Belcher's performance after a one-year probationary period that ended in July.

Pallotta's assessment of Belcher's work five months ago stated, "he is unable to demonstrate leadership and management skills when presented with decision making issues and operational expectations."

Despite Pallotta's critical review of his performance, she voted in favor of reinstating the director's role on Nov. 27.

"We've lost an employee over this already, and I don't want to see that happen again," Pallotta said. "I think the only answer is to reinstate the position so that the department can operate."

Ritchie agreed and pointed out, "any deficiencies in the person of the job will have to be addressed going forward."

Kittle reinforced Ritchie's point. "Mr. Belcher's performance will be monitored and measured like any other director should be in the township, and he will be treated no differently than any other employee," he said.

Along with reinstating management of employees to the department director, the Building Department will have a new fulltime Building Inspector: Dennis Smith, who was recently hired for the position.

"We've hired a new building inspector, and I have a lot of confidence in him," said Pallotta.

Independence Township hasn't stopped hiring employees for the building department yet; they are still seeking a part-time code enforcer. The next board of trustees meeting will take place on Dec. 18, 7:30 p.m. at Township Hall.

Precautions taken to protect kids

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"I thought it was fake, someone just joking around," said eighth grader Alec Fair. "I didn't think the threat was real, but they did the right thing."

"I wasn't too worried - this happens all the time these days," said David Gloeden, Alec's father. "As long as they check it out."

"I'm actually grateful about the way it handled," said parent Vicki Polito. "We received the email and recording, sent to all the parents. I'd rather they be overly concerned than not."

Security was tighter all day, with students not allowed to leave classrooms between classes, Walters said.

"The bad news was the bathrooms were locked - we had to find a teacher to unlock them," said Kristen Gruebna, eighth grader.

"It's sad it had to come down to this, but I'm thankful they took it seriously," said Jim Walters, Meagan's father. "It has to be taken seriously, the safety of children."

The district followed procedures developed with the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, Independence Township Fire Department, and the Michigan Safe Schools Initiative Workgroup, said superintendent Dr. Rod Rock.

"We took the threat very seriously, called in the sheriff's department, including dogs, to search the building twice, locked the building down after the searches, and searched all students as they entered the building, which included the presence of at least four police officers," Rock said. "We are working with the police to identify the source of the threat and we will



From left are Sherri Summers, school staff, Dep. Sherry Locher, and K-9 Yeager.

utilize all possible measures, including legal, to hold the person or persons responsible for their behavior."

"We took precautions we needed to, to ensure the safety of kids," said Dep. Kim Potts, sheriff's liaison officer to the junior high. "We treat each threat as if it is real. It's a wakeup call. You never know."

The district emailed parents and send an e-blast over Clarkstoncalendar.com, Nov. 30.

"We take these types of situations very seriously as our first priority is always the safety of our students and staff," Rock said. "We will review this incident with our administrative staff and teachers, along with our written procedures. We will make any adjustments deemed necessary in order to maintain the safety of our students and staff."

Most of those responding to postings about the incident on *The Clarkston News* Facebook page were satisfied and praised the school district's response.

"I have a son at CJHS and I received an e-mail and a phone call," said Brenda Bemman McLouth. "I

feel the school and the police took this very seriously and handled it really well. Not only did Oakland County search the school Friday after school let out and again this morning before the students got to school, they patrolled the school all weekend long to make sure it was going to be safe for our students."

But some were concerned with how information was communicated.

"There is definitely something wrong with the e-blast system," said Camille Catherine Retford. "I was concerned when I picked up my son on Friday and saw the police cars. I did get a phone call on Sunday night, though, and it seems they were very cautious and checked the entire school. I am happy they took this seriously. I just hope they fix this computer email issue."

"I am going to do everything I can to ensure our school improves communication, has a working, effective response plan, and develops measures to prevent this from occurring in the future," said parent Laura Jasurda. "I called the principal this morning and requested a meeting with concerned parents and community members to discuss this important issue."

To sign up for e-blasts, go to Clarkstoncalendar.com, a website operated by Independence Township, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, and Clarkston Community Schools. Click on "email reminders," enter an email address, and check off the schools, groups, and organizations to subscribe. The school district also established a hotline for information regarding the threat at 248-623-3897.

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Choices to consider

Clarkston Junior High parents had a decision to make last weekend, whether to send their kids to school on Monday despite a bomb threat scrawled on a bathroom stall.

They knew the threat was almost certainly fake, a prank and/or a call for help.

There's almost no way a junior high student would have the ability or desire to do something like that. There was almost no possibility of a bomb going off.



Still, that "almost" is enough to cause some considerations when kids are involved.

Administration handled it well, by keeping classes in session after precautions including searches by bomb-sniffing dogs and bookbag check of all students. The kids weren't thrilled to have their items gone through, but they were calm and in reasonably good spirits.

I hope whoever is responsible is found, not for punishment, but to give them some help.

The counselors at the junior high look to be up to the job. They were there, digging through backpacks, putting their safety on the line for the sake of the kids in their care.

There was lots of interest in the topic on the News' Facebook page - dozens of folks weighed in, many to praise administration for the precautions. Some expressed concerns information wasn't shared far enough, though. Junior high parents were emailed and called directly, and information was e-blasted through Clarkstoncalendar.org, but only those who subscribe to that service got that email.

What do you think? Should the information have been shared through direct emails and calls district wide, or is it better to keep the information contained just to the school involved?

Some think it should be, that it shouldn't even be in the newspaper that much to prevent copycats. I disagree with that one. People aren't protected by limiting information.

If the Mayans are right, this will be my last column, because the world is due to end. It almost certainly won't. Just in case, good luck to everyone in whatever new world the Mayans have in mind for us.

Letters to the Editor

Reader finds close vote calls for new library millage drive

Dear Editor,

I have to disagree with the Powells on their assessment of the outcome of a vote ("Voters set up for another tax hike for library," Nov. 28).

The diplomatic process allows for a re-examination why a ballot measure failed or succeeded following an election. It was the wording of the Green Space initiative that got it defeated in 2008. And feedback on the library proposal indicates that wording may be behind the defeat of that effort.

Given that the vote was so incredibly close, I don't think you can fairly assess that the "no" was all that resounding of a forever and ever amen.

Whether its the district library, funding for a senior center, a green space initiative or other proposal, I think the signal is to examine the chosen wording and evaluate it prior to any campaign. If a "no" vote is overwhelming, then it might be worth retiring a concept as soundly defeated. When the vote is close, it's reasonable and necessary to evaluate the language used to understand what the citizenry is communicating.

This is the democratic process and how we work towards compromise.

*Tammie Hearlitz
Independence Township*

Candidate vows to keep campaigning for seat

Dear Editor,

For many, the political bombardment from campaigning candidates is finally over and would have been a welcome reprieve had it come sooner than Nov. 6.

Nobody really knows just hard it is to run for office unless they have personally run a political campaign themselves. Time, energy, money and dedicated volunteers are essential for winning victory.

It takes a strong individual to sustain the attacks from the opposing side and possible heartbreak of defeat. Inside every candidate is a driving force to succeed and persevere to the final end. In doing so, the reward will be to promote their ideas and to serve the people who elected them into office.

Entrusting elected candidates to fulfill the voice of the voters is not always the case. Some candidates forget their spoken promises and proceed with their own agenda. They are transformed into politicians who have stereotyped the whole governing body as a group of dirty deed doers. This is a shame.

Actually, there truly are people who run for office in hopes of making the world we live in a better place, myself included. I am

Neil Billington the challenging candidate who ran against the incumbent for state representative of District 43.

I will continue my political journey down the road less traveled and prove that dedication, hard work and perseverance does pay off in the end. I believe with all my heart, I do have what it takes to make Michigan a better place to live.

To all who gave me your vote - thank you very much. My sincerest gratitude also goes out to all who supported me in my efforts to run for state representative of District 43 in 2012

*Neil Billington
Waterford*

Thank you for supporting local businesses this holiday

Dear Editor,

We extend warm holiday wishes and heartfelt thank yous to this wonderful community. The support you showed us on Small Business Saturday was just amazing.

Before the doors officially opened and long after they closed, local residents kept our stores over-flowing with customers! It was refreshing to see all your faces and comforting to know you were shopping in town instead of "the mall." Support of our local businesses is vital to our community. Did you know that for every \$100 spent at a local business, \$68 stays local!?

We are hosting Santa and two of his sleigh team, Donner and Blitzen (real live reindeer) on Dec. 16 from noon to 4. Our Family Fun Day is in support of Toys for Tots. In the spirit of Christmas, please bring a new, unwrapped toy to fill Santa's sleigh. Your donation will help those in need. And, while you are here, please get your picture taken with Santa (FREE). Watch for our holiday specials in next week's *Clarkston News & Penny Stretcher!*

*Thank you and Merry Christmas
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Thanks for community support for field house

Dear Editor,

This is an amazing and generous community that we live in!

The Field House Auction on Oct. 13 was a great success due to all of you who contributed, volunteered and donated to our event. Please accept our sincere thanks! Our hats off to you! Thank you for your support of the Clarkston Wolves!

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A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1997

"Dancer's will close its doors" A Clarkston business is closing shop, but this time it's not downtown. Dancer's Inc., a Michigan retail business for 113 years, has announced it will discontinue operations. Douglas Dancer, President of Dancer's Inc., said although the decision to close was difficult, much thought was put into the decision and the company felt this was the most prudent plan of action.

"The spirit of giving" Children at local elementary schools, including Clarkston and Andersonville, worked hard to collect food for the needy this Thanksgiving. At Clarkston Elementary third-graders took charge of an all-school effort to collect non-perishable items for Lighthouse Clarkston. They'll continue their campaign for the Christmas holiday.

25 years ago - 1987

"Seniors power Wolves to win" Talk about a dominating duo! Ali Fedio and Michelle Baker combined to score 20 points in less than 12 minutes during the second half of a girls district basketball game Thursday evening to ice a 58-48 win by the Wolves.

"Speed limit goes up north of Clarkston" Lead-footed automobile drivers got a break on Sunday, Nov. 29, when the State of Michigan raised the speed limit on rural interstate highways to 65 MPH. More than 700 miles of Michigan roads are considered rural including a section of I-75 north of Dixie Highway to Flint, according to the Department of State Police.

50 years ago - 1962

"Texan Style Santa to Appear" A real live "Santa from Texas" dressed in western Santa garb, will make his appearance at the fifteenth annual Dixie Saddle Club Christmas Party. Guest speaker, Thomas Fenlen, a 4-H leader, will show movies on Arabian colts, which are on a farm in Davison. The very unique thing about this party is the fact that club members attending range in age from 7 to 70.

"Guest Soloist to Participate at First Methodist Church" First Methodist Church of Clarkston hosted its sixth annual Christmas Choral Service. A program of Christmas hymns and carols dating from the 4th Century up to the present time will be presented. Guest soloist Bruce Francis, Grinnell Scholarship Award winner, will participate.

Almanac! One month to go; let it snow

Journey back with me to my 1-room country school days, carrying my sandwich lunches in a pail, up hill both ways in deep snow, etc.

The sandwich part came to me this week when I was overcome with a need for a peanut butter and bread and butter pickle sandwich.

I was so overcome with this yen that I drove to the store and got a pint size jar of bread and butter pickles.

I knew right where the peanut butter was, so I was all set when I got home.

I forgot temporarily that I don't keep the peanut butter in the refrigerator, but I looked there.

Pushing jars and bottles aside I found THREE half-full pint jars of bread and butter pickles.

My peanut butter was in the kitchen cabinet.

Regardless, my sandwich was just as good as I remember it from a lifetime ago.

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Quickies

• Physical therapy has really changed. They don't have me doing push-ups or chin-ups. Now I'm told to squeeze

my buttocks several times a day and pull in my belly button often without holding my breath.

• What is there about this year, 2012, that has made Veterans Day in November more conscious than previous years since 1945? I've been invited to three lunches this year, and none the previous 6?

• The million-a-minute commercials for gold prompted me to ask about the popularity of gold crowns for teeth today. Seems people prefer white teeth more now and Dr. Mike says white porcelain is used mostly. However, he says, gold is a wonderful metal for fillings. By the way, when the gold crown is removed he gives it to the patient. Most recently an 18 karat filling brought \$35.

• Someone give me the statistics that proved more winners of millions of dollars in lotteries end up drunks than gleeful. I believe less than one percent of lottery ticket buyers think about the awful consequences instant money brings to families.

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Car builders are putting way too many icons on car dashboards these days. So, mostly I ignore things like "low tire" pictures. That sign was in front of me when I put my car in the garage recently. The next time I drove it I got less than 50 feet when the thump of a flat tire

roused me. I guess it was more than "low."

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About December, *The Old Farmer's Almanac* has this poetic weather prediction:

Roads are icy, driving dicey. Mild but sopping; Better do your holiday shopping. Rainy, snowy; cold and blowy;

Look out below;

Yow! Santa's driving a plow! Feeling yuckier?

Hope '13 is luckier!

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The public mouthpiece for President Obama is Jay Carney. A woman named Luland speaks for the Pentagon. After viewing each many times I've concluded their qualifications are: Emotionless. Monotonous speaking. Expressionless. Enormous dodging, ignoring, evasiveness and subterfuge answers.

Of course they were hired to do these things to cover their bosses rears and to explain what they meant to say. ie them a raise, Carney and Luland are very good at what they do.

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Be satisfied.

Be grateful.

Jim's Jottings



a column by Jim Sherman

Grab a bottle and dig in to the fruit cake . . . it's Christmastime

On a recent blustery day I stumbled into Lakes Community Credit Union in Lake Orion. And, there up on the counter separating me from the teller chick, was a familiar white box. A box with the promise, "Baked in the deep south according to a famous old southern recipe."

That holiday favorite, the Claxton Bakery Fruitcake, was sitting pretty, in all its glory, begging to be bought.

Once back in the great Escape (my relatively new set of wheels -- well I've already put over 33,000 miles on it this year), I started to think: Does anybody eat fruitcake? When you mention fruitcake, people get funny looks on their faces. Yet, they must be popular for something, there are a lot sold . . . so, I thought some more.

My top 10 things you can do with a fruitcake . . .

10. Give as a gift to that "special" somebody

9. Sell to somebody else

8. Wear around your neck while you sleep to fend off little fairies and whacked-out elves

7. Throw 'em in the back of the pickup for added weight during the winter driving season

6. Makes a great paperweight

5. Cut 'em up, shellac 'em, hook 'em and make Christmas decorations

4. Bomb shelter building material, would also serve as emergency food rations in case of the "big one."

3. Makes a festive looking anchor

2. or a colorful looking doorstep.

Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

And the Number 1 thing I can do with a fruitcake is not to buy one for any of the previous nine reasons.

I did research on Claxton Bakery and fruitcakes in general. The recipe, "from the deep south," was created by an Italian immigrant, Savino Tos, who opened the Claxton Bakery in 1910, in Claxton, Georgia. The

fruitcake of note was born when, in the fall, "Tos decided to capture the spirit of the season by offering a premium quality fruitcake, filled with nature's finest fruits and nuts."

In 1927, Tos hired an 11-year-old lad, Albert Parker. In 1945, Tos retired and sold the business to Al. According to legend, Al saw the writing on the wall when it came to the bakery business. Grocery stores were

putting the hurt on the local baker. Al focused all his energy on one thing: Fruitcake. And, in that first year, Al and a few workers baked 45,000 pounds of fruitcake.

Their 50,000 square foot bakery, now produces millions of pounds of fruitcake yearly. Claxton, GA, is now the Fruitcake Capital of the World, and over 1,000 service groups sell the fruitcake as a fund-raising project. Al ran the company until his death in 1995, at the age of 79. His four children now run the company.

As Paul Harvey would say, "Now you know the rest of the story . . ."

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And, from the internet, here's a fruitcake recipe:

1 cup butter, 2 cups sugar, 6 large eggs, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 3 cups flour, sifted, 1/2 t. salt, 1 cup bourbon, 1 pound pecans, chopped, 3 cups white raisins (or use candied fruit), 1 t. nutmeg. AND a very large bottle of bourbon whiskey.

First, sample the whiskey to check for quality. Assemble all of the ingredients. Check the whiskey again. To be sure it is of the highest quality, pour one level cup and drink. Repeat this step.

Turn on the electric mixer and beat one cup of butter in a large fluffy bowl. Add one teaspoon of sugar and cream until beat.

Make sure the whiskey is still okay... try another cup. Turn off the mixer. Beat six eggs and add to the bowl, then chuck in the cup of dried flut. Mix on the tuner. Throw in two quarts of flour. Gradually pour in the cow. Add 2 dried anything.

If the fried druit gets struck in the beaters, pry it loose with a drowscriber. Sample the whiskey and check it again for consistency. Next, sift two cups of salt. Or something. Who cares??? Check the whiskey again.

Now sift the nutmeg and strain your nuts. Add one table. And the spoon. Of whiskey. Or something. Whatever you find left. Grease the oven. Turn the crake pan to 350 degrees. Don't forget to beat off the turner.

Pour the oven into the batter. Throw the bowl out the window. Lick the batter off the floor. Bake 300 minutes at 50 degrees. Finish the blobble of whisly and flow to bed.

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But, don't let me (Donny Downer) harsh your buzz, dude. If you want to help support a local service group, head to your local finanicail institution and buy a slew of 'em. I have seen the cakes at Oxford Bank and at the afore mentioned credit union.



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Public Safety

Reports from Oakland County Deputies and Independence Township Fire Department

Warrant arrest

A 17-year-old Waterford Township boy walking through a neighborhood was eyeing a deputy on patrol at Andersonville and Windiate roads, 11:02 a.m., Nov. 20, so the deputy stopped to talk to him. The teenager had a traffic warrant out of 52-2 District Court, so he was arrested.

Suspended license.

A deputy stopped a 36-year-old Independence Township man for making an illegal left turn at Sashabaw and Waldon roads, 1:26 a.m., Nov. 21. The driver was cited with driving with a suspended license and no proof of insurance, had his car impounded, and given a warning for disobeying the sign.

Burglary

Burglars entered a home in the 5000 block of Fox Chase Lane through a rear sliding glass door while residents were at work, Nov. 21, and took two televisions, watches, two shotguns, and two bows. There was no sign of forced entry.

Marijuana smokers

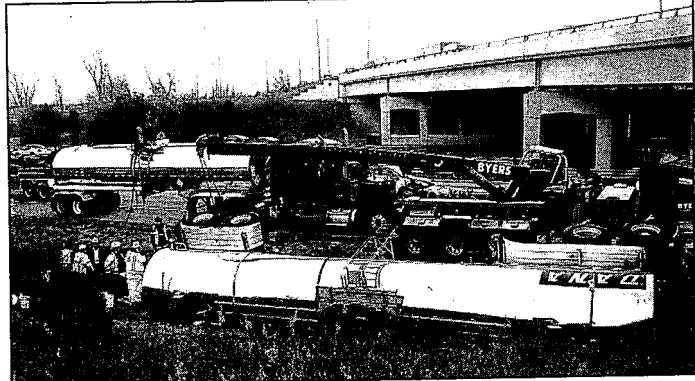
A deputy on patrol stopped to check on a pickup parked on Coulter Lake Boulevard at Majestic Boulevard, an undeveloped neighborhood, 3:32 p.m., Nov. 21. The driver, a 17-year-old Springfield Township boy, and passenger, 17-year-old Independence Township boy, smelled strongly of marijuana, and were found with a bag of pot, pipes, lighter, and other items. They were cited with possession of marijuana and turned over to their parents.

Electronics taken

Laptops, camera, and video game equipment were taken from a home in the 5000 block of Parview Drive, Nov. 24. There was no sign of forced entry, and residents told deputies they seldom lock their sliding glass door.

Break-in

A rear glass sliding door was kicked open in the 6000 block of Pine Knob Road, between 12-2:45 p.m., Nov. 26. Dressers were rummaged and a camera, taken.



STICKY SITUATION: A tank truck takes on a load of medical-grade glue from an overturned rig on northbound I-75 at Sashabaw Road, Nov. 28. The truck crashed at about 5 a.m. Traffic backed up for miles as emergency and hazmat teams treated the driver, who was taken to McLaren Oakland, and clean up diesel spilled from the truck's fuel tanks. Cleanup took all day, with offloading still going on after 5 p.m. Photo by Phil Custodio

Pills pilfered

Someone took 20 prescription medication pills from an unlocked vehicle parked in the 5000 block of Deepwood Court, Nov. 23.

Jewelry taken

Jewelry was taken from a home in the 10000 block of Perry Lake Road, sometime between 9:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m., Nov. 26. There was no sign of forced entry.

ID theft

An Independence Township man learned he was the victim of identity theft when he took a call, Nov. 29, from a debt collection agency about a late payment on a computer equipment purchase of about \$3,000. He didn't make the purchase on Oct. 6.

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Consumer Beware - By Samantha Myers

Studies have shown that the average American gains 1 to 2 pounds during the holiday season. The average traditional Thanksgiving dinner is 4,500 calories and 229 grams of fat. Traditional egg nog is made with egg yolk and thick cream and has a whopping 343 calories per cup. According to the MayoClinic.com, weight gained during the holiday season is often not lost after the season ends. As pounds accumulate over the years, the average American also becomes obese leading to health problems like diabetes, heart disease and certain cancers. So, during the holiday season, consumer beware! Those holiday indulgences may end up on your waist line and ultimately, affect your health.

To help survive the holidays, here are a few tips from your physicians at CMG.

- 1. Pay Attention!** Pay close attention to your body's signals. It is easy to get distracted from signals of physical hunger and satiety at social gatherings.
- 2. Be a Food Snob!** Skip the store bought goodies. Snack on fresh nuts, dried fruits, and whole foods like vegetables that taste good. If the food you choose does not taste good, stop eating it.
- 3. Count Calories!** Think of calories as an expense account. How many calories do you want to spend on beverages, appetizers, or the entrée? Do you want to save some calories for dessert? Process mentally the amount of calories to spend on each food to avoid over-eating.
- 4. Eat Before!** Do not go to a party famished, but pace your eating prior to the event so you can enjoy your favorites but not overeat.

- 5. Avoid temptations!** Socialize away from the food table. Empty calories will add up when you pick at the appetizers or desserts on the food table. Focus on making conversation with others instead of food. Conversation is calorie-free.
- 6. Make Choices!** Survey all of the food before making your choices. You do not have to eat everything. Choose the foods you want the most at that time.
- 7. Eat Mindfully!** If a food is particularly special, give it your full attention. Eat mindfully by reducing distractions. Slow down to eat and appreciate the aroma and appearance of the food. Savor one bite at a time by putting your fork down between bites.
- 8. Don't Hoover!** If a meal is extend by a social event, ask to have your plate taken away to avoid nibbling unconsciously.
- 9. Beware of Alcohol!** Beware of the effects of alcohol on your food intake. Besides restricting alcoholic beverages to one or two servings, you also need to restrict the type watch the high fat egg nog, try light beer or wine. Many holiday beverages are a significant source of calories so stick to calorie-free water, unsweetened ice tea or coffee.
- 10. Just Say No!** Be cautious of "obligatory eating" avoid eating just because it is on the table, on your plate, because you paid for it, because its free, or because someone made it. Deal with those Food Pushers with a polite but firm, "No thank you". To avoid hurting any feelings, ask for the recipe or a small portion to take home with you for another meal.

- 11. Avoid grazing!** Unconsciously eating on the candy and snacks lying all over the place this time of year can be a source of unwanted calories.
- 12. Know Your Self!** Always touch base with your hunger level before having one more cookie, a piece of fudge, or a holiday treat. Eat mindfully without guilt.
- 13. Share!** At restaurants, request appetizer portions, co-order and co-eat with your dining partner, or have the server package up your meal to go as soon as you are satisfied.
- 14. Just Move!** Look for opportunities for physical activity- take a walk after dinner, take a lap around the mall, go sledding with your children or grandchildren.

Enjoy the traditions, people, and family of the holiday, more than the food. Achieving what you sought out for will give you one more good reason for holiday cheer! Wishing you and your family a blessed and healthful holiday.

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Wolves net Cardinals in first game

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Lady Cagers hit the court last Friday in their season opener against Davison for their first win, 49-36.

"Our girls played really well," Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball Head Coach Tim Wasilk said. "I was really happy with how our girls responded. They played with great chemistry. They moved the ball well. We knocked down some open jump shots. It was nice to see."

The Lady Wolves opened with a point from sophomore Erika Davenport from the free throw line.

Davison shot a field goal to get control of the scoreboard. Clarkston bounced back with a basket from junior Kacy Robinson with an assist from senior Delaney Kenny.

Robinson brought the girls into the lead with a point made off of one of her two attempts on the free throw line, 4-3.

The Lady Wolves kept the momentum going by adding eight more consecutive points to the board with baskets from Davenport, senior Patrice Matthews and two baskets points from Kenny.

Davison Mariah Ferris stopped the momentum Clarkston created with a field goal.

The Lady Wolves came back with two points from junior Haley Daugherty from a pass from junior Carly Giroux before the first quarter ended, 14-8.

Clarkston continued the momentum into the rest of the game as they outscored and

continued to lead until the end.

Wasilk contributed the momentum to building off of defense.

"We try to preach our defense creates our offense," he said. "We know we are going to miss some shots and have some turnovers but go after them defensively and build our momentum from there. Push the ball on the fast break and go from there for baskets."

Erika Davenport led the team with 17 points and 14 rebounds in the game. Kacy Robinson had 10 points.

"Erika did a really good job inside," said Wasilk. "She rebounded well. She was very active on both sides of the floor. I was happy to see all of our kids and new players who haven't been in this kind of environment before they did a nice job and responded well."

The Lady Wolves played rivals Lake Orion (0-2) on Tuesday.

"Anything can happen," Wasilk said heading into the game. "I hope we can lead defensivel and build on our communication. It will be a big step in moving in the right direction."

The girls are home on Friday when they play Dakota and on Tuesday against Avondale at Clarkston High School.

Both games begin with JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.

Want a peek into the season ahead? The Winter Sports Preview is in next week's edition of *The Clarkston News*. It includes a team photo, schedule, roster and interviews.



Kacy Robinson takes on Davison guard Leala Leach in the Lady Wolves home opener. Photo by Wendi Reardon

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Jesse Chadwell signs his letter of intent for University of Illinois with support from his family. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Heading to Illinois

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Jesse Chadwell was a force to be reckoned with on the football field as an outside linebacker for the Clarkston Wolves Football team.

As a senior it was a special season, not only because it was his last with the team but they finished with a 11-1 record with their only loss in the regional finals.

"Everyone will remember their senior season," he added. "I will remember my senior season forever because of the team we had - all of us got along. We all worked hard together and we made it far."

Chadwell began playing football when he was fifth grade. He described himself as a "big little kid" when he tried the sport. He loved it.

"Football came really easy to me," he smiled. "I really enjoyed it. I enjoyed the team aspect. It is a team effort."

Chadwell will continue playing football after he graduates. He recently signed his letter of intent for University of Illinois, Nov. 16.

"It's very exciting," he said. "I can't wait to start and get things going."

He also looked at Central Michigan University, Western Michigan University and Kent State but didn't quite find what he was needed.

He was drawn to Illinois because of the

coaching staff.

"They are very family orientated guys," Chadwell said. "I also like Illinois better because of the family aspect and the campus was nice."

As he moves on to the next level, he said the Wolves' football coaching staff helped him get ready.

"It is the way my coaches have kept on me and didn't let me slack off," he added. "They were up in my face all the time in practice. I appreciate it because they got me ready for coaching in college."

He plans to study business because he has a lot of options when he finishes college with his degree in business.

Chadwell thanked his fans for their support and nominations for Athlete of the Week.

"It feels good," he said about being nominated. "It is nice to get some recognition because the position I play in football doesn't get much recognition."

He enjoys hanging out with friends when he is not playing football or building his strength with visits to the weight room.

His advice for aspiring gridiron heroes is to work hard.

"No matter what people say to you, maybe you are smaller, maybe you are bigger, or you are out of shape or uncoordinated it is all about working hard," he said. "You will get what you deserve in the end."


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Power shooting wins over Corsairs

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Icers opened last week with tough lessons in their loss against Birmingham United. They lost the OAA Red league game, 5-2, while putting 44 shots on the net.

"They had a hot goaltender," said Clarkston Hockey Assistant Coach Roman Krygier. "We outshot them 2-1. We just couldn't put the puck past them. We didn't have our zip we usually have."

The Wolves scored in the second period with 3:33 left to go. Junior Alex Propson grabbed control of the puck and passed it to senior Matt Denny. Denny turned around and shot it into the back of the net, putting the Wolves behind one goal, 2-1.

They kept on shooting on Birmingham United's goalie Jacob Saroli and he kept blocking.

It was Birmingham to score next as Kenneth O'Hanlon scored as the buzzer ended the period, 3-1.

Senior Joe Smith scored the second goal for the Wolves with 8:30 left to go in the game. Junior Chase Weidemann and senior Adam Johns assisted on the goal.

"Birmingham played a very fine game," Krygier added. "They played hard. Two of their goals were power play goals. They worked hard and they beat us."

Junior Jack Viazanko had 15 saves in the net for Clarkston.

The Wolves will treat it as a learning experience as they skate forward into the weeks to come.

"They have to continue to play their positions and move the puck quickly," said Krygier. "We did not execute moving the puck quickly like we were capable of doing. We

had a lot of shots on net but we weren't picking our spots against the goaltender either. We need to continue to attack the goalie like we know how to do."

The Wolves did continue to attack the goalie in their next game as they headed off against Waterford Mott on Saturday.

They made 41 shots on the Corsairs' goalie Scott Koenigbauer. They won the game, 7-1.

"We had a very strong game," said Krygier. "We have been practicing our power plays, our break outs and our forechecking. It came together really well. They worked hard. It was a good win for us."

They had a slow start to open the game but were the first to score. Denny put the Wolves on the board with his goal with 11:35 to go. Sophomores Drake Drake Gentile and Max Palese.

Junior Shawn Cotter added one more goal before the first period closed. He scored with 3:34 remaining on a power play.

The Corsairs opened the second period with a goal from Austin Sereno to close the score, 2-1.

It would be the first and last time Waterford Mott would score as the Wolves came back to score three minutes later.

This time it was senior Garrett Polish on a power play with an assist from Johns and Weidemann, 3-1.

With less than three minutes to go in the period, junior Carter Rea and Polish struck with a goal a piece to put the score, 5-1. Rea was assisted by Gentile in his goal.

The Wolves opened the final period by scoring their third power play goal of the game. This time it was junior Jacob LaPorte on the other side of a pass from Johns and Polish. LaPorte took his shot and put in the

sixth goal for Clarkston at 11:15.

The final goal came from sophomore Alex Tanielian, who scored his first high school career goal. He also just returned from an extended injury absence. Rea and Gentile assisted him with the final goal of the game with less than five minutes remaining.

Junior Nick Surovec had eight saves in the net against Mott.

Krygier noted the difference between the games against Birmingham United and Waterford Mott was the intensity from the Wolves especially since goaltenders from both teams were good.

"We played with a strong team effort to move the puck," he said. "Against Birmingham it didn't come together as I would have liked it to."

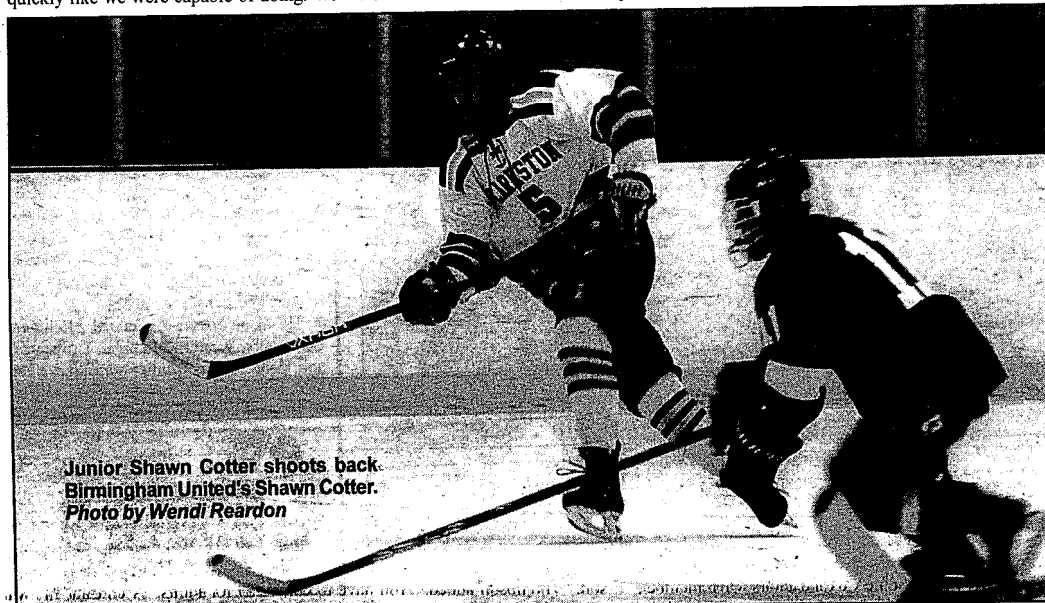
The Wolves take on two more foes this week with Salem on Thursday and Farmington on Saturday as they look to improve their current 4-3 record.

"They are two very good teams," said Krygier. "Our chances are very good. We are competitive with them. It is just a matter of executing the play and playing with a lot more intensity. We will have to play very well against Plymouth Salem and Farmington because they are very competitive."

They host Salem at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday at Detroit Skating Club and they head to Farmington Hills Ice Arena to take on the Falcons on Saturday, 3 p.m.

What can fans expect from the hockey team this season? Find out in the Clarkston Winter Sports Preview in next week's edition of *The Clarkston News*, Dec. 12.

The preview includes a team photo, rosters, schedule and interviews.



Junior Shawn Cotter shoots back Birmingham United's Shawn Cotter. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Interwoven plots in junior high play

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Chaos is taking over The New Leaf Greenhouse in Clarkston Junior High School's upcoming performance of "Archie and the Wallflower."

"The play itself is interesting," said Mitchell Thompson. "It is a fun play. There are a lot of things going on. People should come and see it. It's fun performing. It would be fun for an audience member."

The plot centers around three characters working at the greenhouse and the troubles they are having within one day.

One of the characters is Polly Waters, played by Emma Lohmeier, who is extremely shy and can't talk to anyone.

"She is a wallflower," she explained. "So she talks to plants."

The plant, Archie, comes to life through a concoction created by a scientist, Nate, played by Will Mengyan. Polly talks to him to get through her problems.

One of her problems is she likes Nate but is unable to talk to him because of her shyness.

"She is in love with him because he is an outsider like her," Lohmeier said, adding Polly wants to talk to people but she gets stuck.

Another character adding to the chaos is Ivy Viné, played by Anna Dawson. Ivy likes Pete Moss. But he doesn't seem to notice her or even know she exists.

Ivy is bound and determined to change it. "She orders a love potion and she makes it," said Dawson. "It ends up screwing up everything because Nate falls in love with Ivy, Pete falls in love with Polly and Mrs. Stickleback falls in love with Filmore Potts. It is all messed up. Ivy has to find a way to undo it."

"The love potion mixes things up like *Midsummer's Night Dream*," Lohmeier added.

While Mrs. Stickleback is falling in love with him, Mr. Potts has other issues he needs to deal with at the moment.

As the owner of the New Leaf Greenhouse, he has to find a way to keep the bank from foreclosing on his business.

Thompson, playing Mr. Potts, described him as a father figure for his employees.

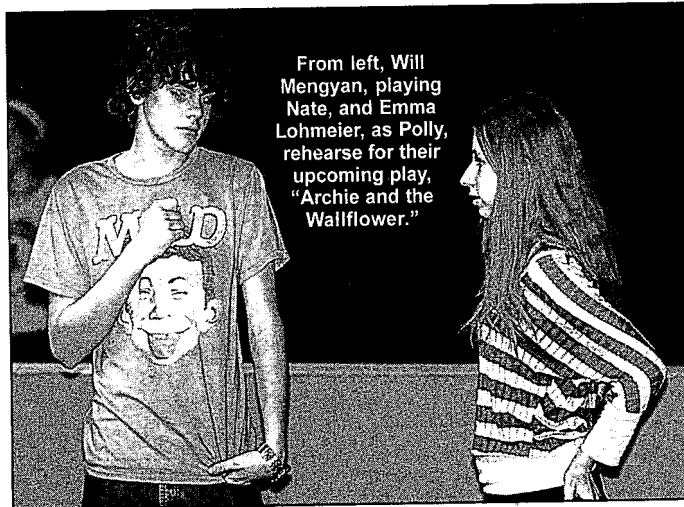
"He is just trying to have everything go as it should," he explained. "He is very optimistic. He wants to save his business. He is losing everything. He does not know what to do."

Mark Magni, Theatre Arts teacher, recommends the play for anyone 6-years-old and older.

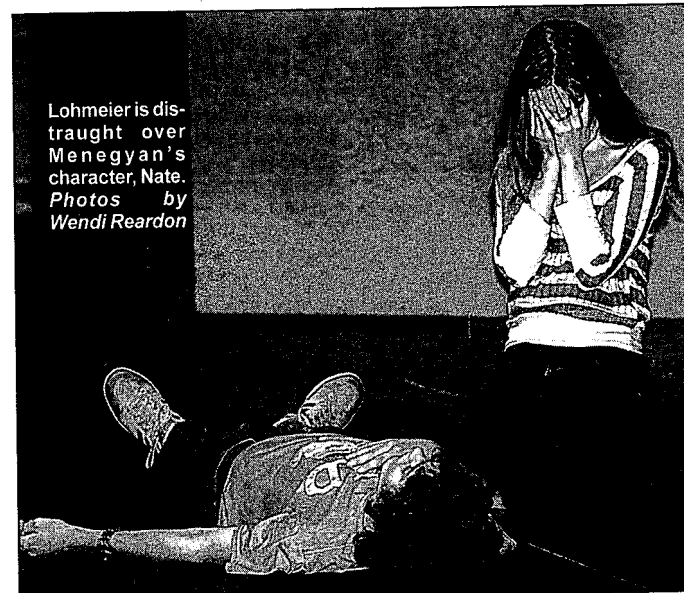
"My 6-year-old would enjoy it and is ready for it," he said.

He added the play has historical points as well as references to science, math and English classes current students are taking or parents have already taken.

"There are a lot of references the kids will get and some kids and adults will remember," Magni said. "It is a very appropriate play to



From left, Will Mengyan, playing Nate, and Emma Lohmeier, as Polly, rehearse for their upcoming play, "Archie and the Wallflower."



Lohmeier is distraught over Mengyan's character, Nate. Photos by Wendi Reardon

do in a school setting because that is where our brain is at and the things we learn and how it can relate together."

"It's for everybody," said Lohmeier. "For the little kids because it's funny. For adults, they have jokes for them, too. Nate shares actual facts. For gardeners, they will laugh because of the plant humor. We laugh along with the lines so students our age will love it."

Dawson explained the audience, especially kids, will learn lessons from each of the characters and predicaments they find themselves in.

"As things unfold I think Ivy learns a lesson," Thompson added. "You have to consider what the effect will be on other people

and understand you aren't the only one in the world."

Magni added the cast is also great and giving the characters their own personal touches.

"We have a lot of good kids on stage," he smiled. "They have a lot of great personalities and a lot of dynamics."

To find out what happens to the employees of the New Leaf Greenhouse, watch one or both of the performances set for next week.

Performances are Dec. 14 and 15 at Clarkston Junior High School Performing Arts Center, 7 p.m. General admission at the door. The price is \$5 for students and seniors and \$7 for adults. "Archie and the Wallflower" is written by Kevin Stone.

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Ms. Bobbie Kramer of Lake in the Hills, Illinois, along with Howard and Jan Kramer of Waterford, Mich., would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Ashley Ann Kramer to Bryan Paul Klein, son of Paul and Carol Klein of Clarkston.

The bride to be is a 2003 Clarkston High School graduate, and graduated with her Masters Degree in Social Work from Wayne State University in 2011.

The future groom also graduated from Clarkston High School in 2004 and graduated with his Masters in Information Systems from Walsh College in 2011.

A September 2013 wedding date is planned.



Ashley and Bryan

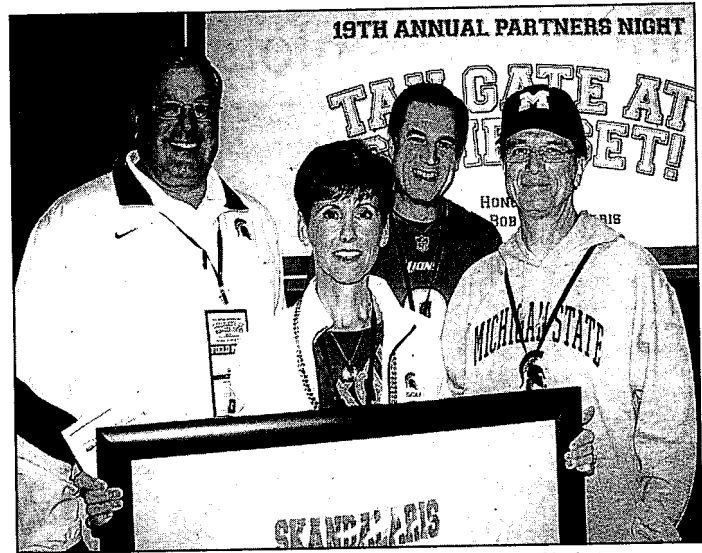
Students achieve success

Lake Forest College student **Brittney Ellis** of Clarkston is spending the fall 2012 semester studying abroad in New Zealand with the Lake Forest New Zealand Program.

Ellis is a graduate of Theodore Roosevelt High School in Wyandotte, Mich.

Clarkston residents graduating from Central

Michigan University last August include **Jack Cunningham**, Master of Arts; **Catherine Feltner**, Bachelor of Science; **Christian Leider**, Master of Science in Administration; **Emily Martin**, Bachelor of Science; **Rebecca Meisner**, Bachelor of Science; **Barak Thomas**, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; and **Rachel Thompson**, Bachelor of Science.



From left, Partners Honorees Bob and Julie Skandalaris of Clarkston are congratulated by Gerold Bepko, M.D., Ph.D., Karmanos president and CEO, and Dan Miller of WJBK FOX 2. Photo provided by Patricia A. Ellis

Business achievements

Julie and Bob Skandalaris of Clarkston were honored by the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute at its 2012 Partners Night, Oct. 6 at Somerset Collection South.

"Julie and I are proud to support the Karmanos Cancer Institute and its outstanding research, which is helping cancer patients, just like my dad, have the best chance of survival and more precious time with their loved ones," said Bob Skandalaris.

The 19th Annual Partners Night was a tailgate-themed party with Chevy vehicles packed with tailgate items including University of Michigan and Michigan State raffle packages.

Cindi Nails of Clarkston, creator of The "Natural Silk" System, was featured at the 2012 American Music Awards Celebrity Gift Lounge, Nov. 16-17, presented by GBK Productions.

The event featured Cindi Nails base coat, top coat and other makeup products.

Stefanie Pavloski of Clarkston was awarded a Community Service Award by University of Phoenix for work with local charities.

Pavloski, who graduated in January with a Master of Science in Mental Health Counseling, is in private practice in Clarkston. She previously served as the student council president for University of Phoenix Detroit Campus and continues to be an honorary member. Like Jones, she said reaching out to help others is something very gratifying for her, particularly through a recent event "Diamonds in the Rough" geared toward helping young girls, ages 12 to 18 reach their

full potential.

"Many of the girls I worked with had been told they wouldn't amount to anything, and were very skeptical about the entire event," Pavloski said. "After the event, some shared with me that they too judged me when they initially saw me; however, they knew I cared when I continued to be the professional who gave them hope. Knowing I was able to break through to some of these girls and make a difference in their lives is a reward in itself."



From left are Ed Foxworth, director, University of Phoenix Detroit Campus Alumni Association, Stefanie Pavloski of Clarkston, and Jan Cardwell, vice President and director, University of Phoenix Detroit Campus.

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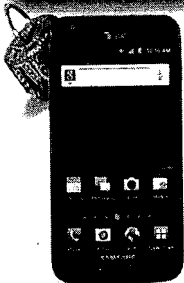
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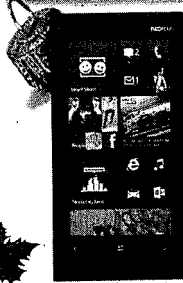


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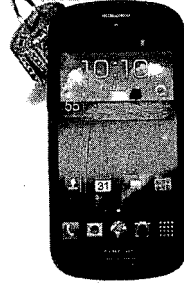


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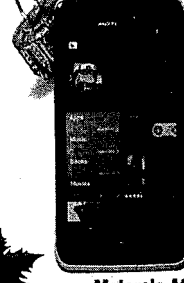


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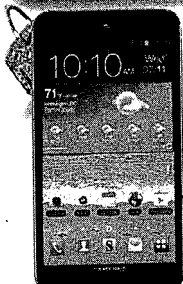


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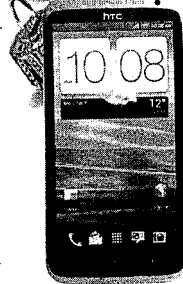


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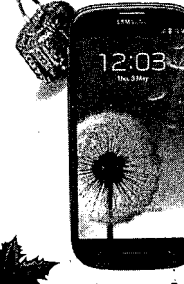


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Gretchen O'Neill and Heather Roeser visit with Santa.



Elizabeth and Ron Wagner with St. Nick.

Showcase a hit for SCAMP

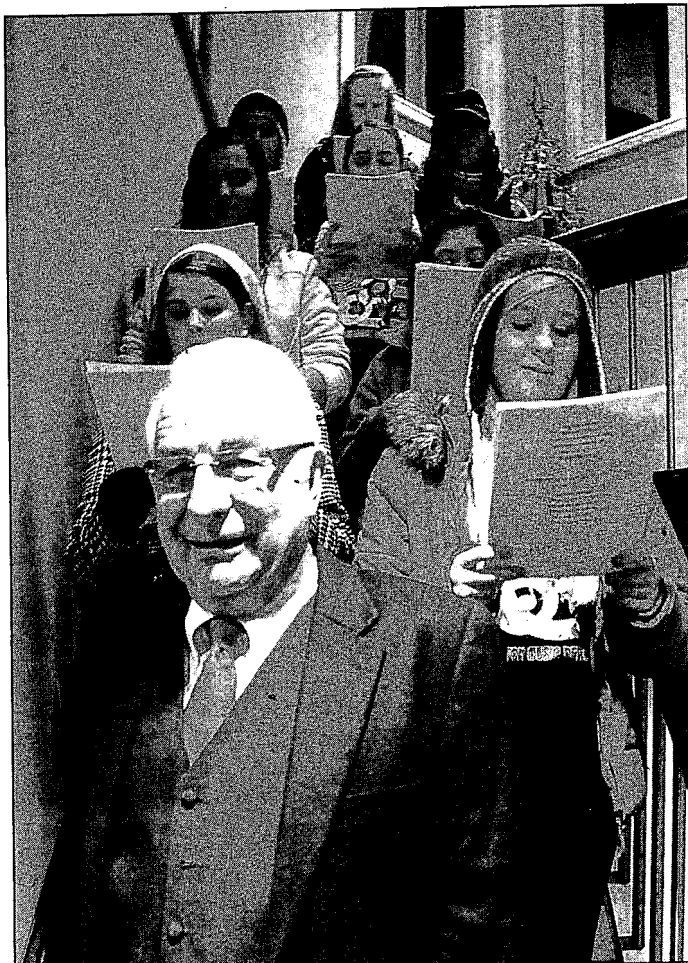
Clarkston SCAMP raised \$30,000 at their first Holiday Designer Showcase on Nov. 24, said SCAMP's Donna Clancy.

"I can't thank Forrest Milzow enough for allowing us to take over his home for several weeks to display the creative designs from Clarkston Community Historical Society, d'avignon interiors, Feather Your Nest, Frank and Me, Front Door Designs, Stephanie Harmon, Heart of the Home Interiors, Jennifer Crabtree Design, KH Home, MG Designs, Plum Hollow Design Studio, Union General Boutique and Cupcakery, Christmas Décor by Erdodi Maintenance, Rattalee Lake Tree Farm, Bev Brown, Jan Lawrence, and Diane Clark," Clancy said.

Rick and Megan Nini co-chaired the event with Kevin and Carole Chase. Twenty-seven trees were uniquely designed and sold to benefit SCAMP, a camp for special needs children.

Find out more about SCAMP on www.clarkstonscamp.com.

~Mary Keck



Forrest Milzow, home owner, enjoys the Christmas sounds from the Clarkston Junior High School carolers. Photos provided



From left, Megan Nini, Rebecca McGovern, Dawn Horner and Elyse Rosegren.



Peg Roth, right, purchased this paper mâché tree designed by Megan Nini, and it is displayed in the Mills Mall. The colorful, handmade reindeer ornaments are creations of 2012 SCAMP participants. Also in the photo, Donna Clancy.



Rhonda Freeman, left, and Sally Petherbridge of Oakland County Sportsmen's Club gather toys for Toys for Tots.

Toys for music

Music fans rocked Oakland County Sportsmen's Club and filled tables with toys for Marine Toys for Tots, Dec. 2.

The club hosts the event every year to collect toy donations for low-income families in the area, and enjoy live music by local bands North Country Flier, Urban Nomads, Skee Brothers, Targus, Sieze, and 34Bliss.

Dave and Ginny Best, visiting from Florida, dance to the music of the band Urban Nomads. Their son, Mark Best, performs guitar and vocals for the band. Photos by Phil Custodio

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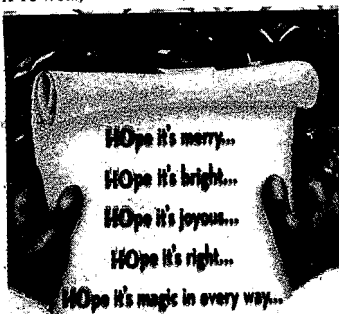
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From left, Carolyn Bush, Jo Vaara, Micki Higdon, Bob Walters, Bernadette Petty, Jan Foster, Diane Pless, Mel Vaara, Karen Krigbaum, Clif Higdon, and Joe Krigbaum gather to thank Pless for her service. Photos by Phil Custodio



Jo Vaara invites Pless to enjoy a home-baked chocolate chip cookie.

Final delivery

Postal carrier Diane Pless served the Clarkston area delivering mail for the past 27 years.

When she retired on Nov. 30, neighbors in the Green Acres subdivision in Clarkston invited her to stop by one last time, this time for cookies, cards, and gifts.

"This is bittersweet - I'm going to miss you guys," she said.

Jo Vaara, who baked a plate of chocolate chip and oatmeal cookies, said she now has plenty of time for volunteering, and Pless agreed.

Donate food at Stuff-a-bus

Stuff-a-bus returns this Sunday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Kroger off Sashabaw and Maybee Roads.

It is the ninth annual Stuff-a-Bus sponsored by the Clarkston Community Schools Transportation Department for the Light-house North.

Donations being accepted include non-perishable food items, personal care items, gift cards, monetary donations, clothing, books, and new, unused toys for any age from infant to teenagers.

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"The snow. The serenity and peace."

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BY PHIL CUSTODIO
 Clarkston News Editor

For Bridgwood Church's Christmas Story Express, a live Nativity is just one part of the experience.

"We have scenes all the way around the property (about 10 acres)," said Associate Pastor Darin Loruss, organizing the event.

Bridgwood Church, 6765 Rattalee Lake Road off M-15, hosts the free event, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Friday-Sunday, Dec. 7-9.

It's a drive-through event — cars will be lined up along Rattalee Lake Road, then shepherded four at a time along the route to each stop. Each vehicle gets a CD at the gate, which provides narration.

"Each track is a different scene," Loruss said. "We burned 1,000 CDs and will make more if needed."

No CD player? They'll provide one of those too.

A cast of about 200 volunteer actors and at least 20 animals will reenact scenes from the New Testament, including Christ's birth, Jesus at 12 years old, working as a carpenter and preaching in the temple, a market scene where an adult Jesus heals the sick, a two-tier Last Supper scene, Crucifixion, and Resurrection.

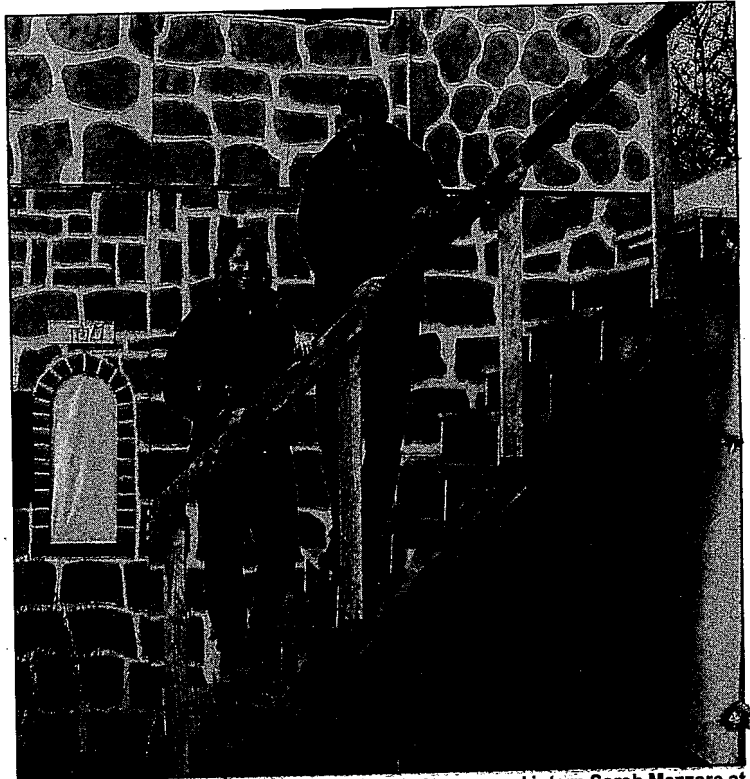
The market will bustle with more than 70 actors bartering, cooking over fires, tending their animals, and conversing, sometimes with viewers in their vehicles.

"Each scene has its own thing going on," Loruss said. "It's a great time for families. The kids roll down the window to take it all in."

Volunteers worked for more than a month, building sets and props, and a church member volunteered to record the professional-quality narration.

"It's been a lot of work," said Sarah Mezzera, intern who coordinated casting, costumes, and props.

The show takes about 20 minutes. At the



Bridgwood Church Associate Pastor Darin Loruss and intern Sarah Mezzera at the (no-room-at-the) inn, built for the Christmas Story Express. Photo by Phil Custodio

halfway point, viewers get hot chocolate and cookies.

Loruss organized an event like this at Brighton Assembly for 14 years, attracting about 8,000 each year. This is the first for Clarkston.

"We're doing this as a gift to the community," he said. "People love it — the real reason for Christmas."

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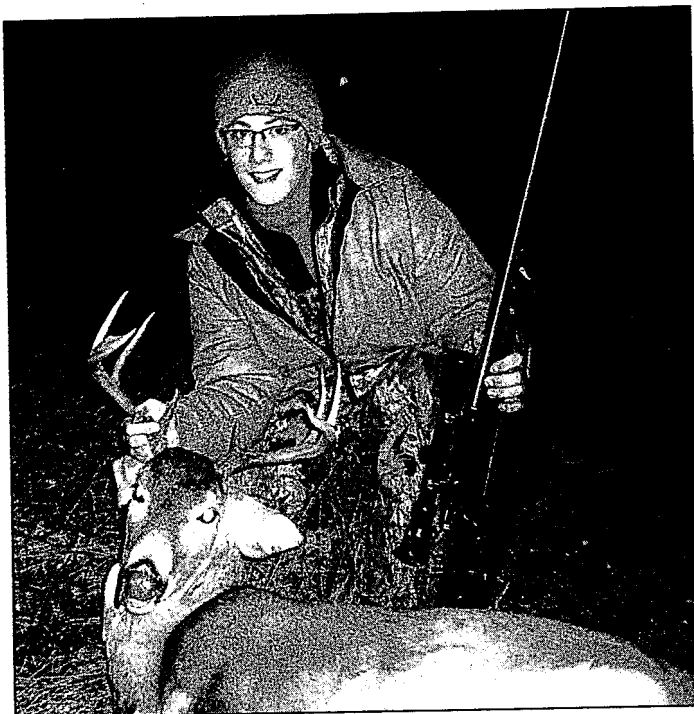
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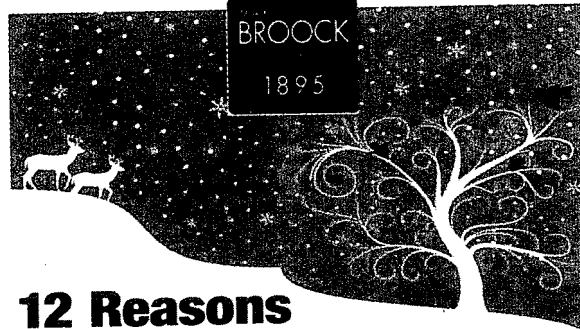
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SUCCESSFUL HUNT: Joshua Deatherage of Clarkston took a 9-point buck during firearms deer season opening day in the woods up north, Nov. 15. The young hunter's father, Troy, took this picture.



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New law allows for one lit sign

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Haven said the ordinance adoption was a "conciliatory move" allowing the council to maintain "a good rapport with the commercial district." He agreed with Eberhardt, however. "I don't think it's aesthetically pleasing. I can see us reversing this at some point."

Hunter didn't agree with the ordinance because of its specificity. "We're going too far when we tell people colors of background and letters," he said. "People should be able to use whatever colors they wish."

The ordinance states shops downtown are allowed only one sign at each public entry, and they must be displayed in a window. The sign cannot be larger than 13.5 inches by 6 inches. Its background must be black, and it can only have the word "open" in red letters. Signs that flash or move in any way are prohibited.

Except council member Roth, no one from Clarkston Retailers Group, which requested the new ordinance, attended the meeting. The next City Council meeting will be on Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Village Hall on Depot Road.

Independence Urgent Care opens on Main Street

Board-certified family medicine physicians and nurse practitioners at Independence Urgent Care, 7192 N. Main Street at I-75, offer comprehensive workups, X-rays, lab work and administer IV fluids.

"We are Clarkston residents and want to give back to our community," said Dr. Bashar Okka. "We have a passion for emergency care and provide an important and much-needed service here."

The center provides care for all ages and accepts most insurance plans, including workers compensation, to treat minor asthma-related symptoms and bronchitis, minor cuts or animal bites, broken bones or sprains, skin rashes, sunburns and minor burns, fever, upper respiratory and sinus infections, illness with nausea, vomiting and/pr diarrhea, eye infections, pink eye, sties, bladder infections, skin infections, occupational injuries, and sports physicals.

Independence Urgent Care is owned by Clarkston Internal Medicine and Premiere Pediatrics. The medical team consists of Bashar Okka, M.D., Satish Sundar, M.D., Nathan Chase, M.D., Rosa Mirjainian, M.D., James Shaya, M.D., Mark Thomas, M.D., and Tracy Thompson M.D.

No appointment is needed. It is open from 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Friday; and 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday-Sunday. Call 248-384-8600.



Independence Urgent Care celebrated its opening with a ribbon cutting with Oakland County representative David Vanderveen, Oct. 9, with, at left in white coat, Traci Wilkerson, NP; behind Wilkerson is Bashar Okka, MD; in the middle in the burgundy coat is Dr. Satish Sundar; behind Dr. Sundar on the left is Dr. Rosa Mirjainian; behind Dr. Sundar on the right is Dr. Nathan Chase; at his right, Dr. James Shaya; and blue long coat next to Dr. Shaya is Dr. Mark Thomas. Photo provided

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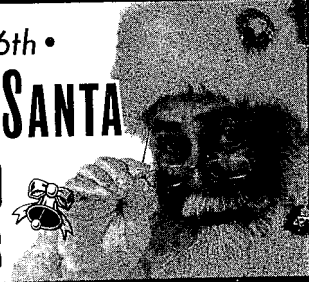
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Religion

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The Jewish people were oppressed by the Romans.

There "was no room in the Inn" for Joseph, Mary, and baby Jesus, so he was born (most likely) in a cave used to keep animals. When he grew up, Jesus was criticized and eventually crucified!

We tend to idealize the Christmas story as if it was sweet, nice, and cute. The fact is, life was hard then and life is hard now.

Oftentimes people ask me, "Greg, if there is a God, and God is good, why is there so much suffering in the

world?"

That's a huge question with lots of angles. But one answer is this: God's ultimate goal for your life is character, not comfort.

God wants you to develop the kind of character described in the Beatitudes of Jesus, the fruit of the Spirit, Paul's great chapter on love, and Peter's list of the characteristics of an effective and productive life (Matthew 5:1-12; Galatians 5:22-23; 1 Corinthians 13; 2 Peter 1:5-8).

Every time you forget that character is one of God's purposes for your life, you will become frustrated by your circumstances.

You'll wonder, "Why is this happening to me? Why am I having such a difficult time?"

One answer is that life is supposed to be difficult! It's what enables us to grow.

Remember: Earth is not Heaven!

You will have all of eternity with no hardship. So don't waste your hardship. Grow from it.

The Rev. Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

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In our churches...

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

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

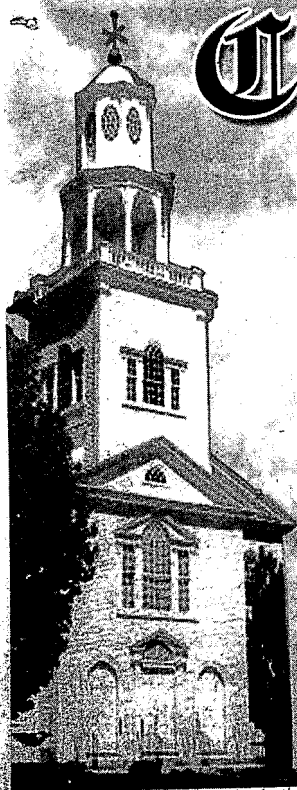
DC4K, DivorceCare for Kids, ages 5-12, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. DivorceCare for adults runs concurrently. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive, 248-625-3288.

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

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

Volunteering, Avalon Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, personal care, 800-664-6334; Oakland County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, 248-559-1147; McLaren Hospice, not-for-profit, companionship-type to visit and provide emotional support for patients living with terminal illness, 248-320-0106. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Oakland County, 55+, opportunities at hospitals, cultural institutions, food pantries, schools. 248-559-1147 ext. 3435.

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Worship:
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Sat. 6:00 pm
Sunday School 9:45 am
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Sunday: Youth Ministries 5:00-7:00 pm
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www.bridgewoodchurch.com

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Website: clarkstonumc.org
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- **GIVE** the Insurance Industry access to the LEIN System and other previously confidential State Police Records

Call your Representative and Senator now and tell them 'NO on 5701' and the other Bait and Switch Insurance Schemes proposed by the Insurance Lobby!

Obituary

Lawrence Baran, 72

Lawrence D. Baran, "Larry," of Clarkston passed away Nov. 27, 2012, at age 72.

He was the beloved husband of Margaret for 50 years; loving father of David (Diana) Baran, K.C. (Shari) Baran and Ben Baran; proud grandfather of Katie, Matthew, Joseph, Abi, Ezra, Zoey and Brennan; brother of Robert (June) Baran; preceded in death by his parents Arthur and Anna Baranowski.



Mr. Baran retired from General Motors after 35 years of service. He was a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central and Wayne State University. A Memorial Service will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Genesis Hospice or Detroit Catholic Central. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Ralph Rogers, 72

Ralph Rogers, "Gleen," of Arkansas, formerly of Attica, Mich., passed away Nov. 27, 2012, at age 72.

He was preceded in death by his wife Patricia, his daughter Rebecca and siblings Earledean Slinkard, Harley Rogers, Nancy Rogers, Les Rogers, Wes Rogers and Melvin Rogers. He was the loving father of Shari (Mike) Douglas and Tracey (Robert) Pugh; very proud grandpa of Chris, Taylor, Brian, Kayla and Jordyn; brother of J.W. (the late Lola) Rogers, Wayne (Euritha) Rogers, Elvis (Betty) Rogers and Shirley Bohr. Gleen retired from General Motors.



Funeral Service was Dec. 1 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

James Monasterski, 65

James Monasterski of Clarkston passed away Nov. 28, 2012, at age 65.

He was preceded in death by his parents Frederick Monasterski and Jean Pakkala and brother of Frederick (Linda) Masters. He was the uncle of Mark (Julie) Masters, Lisa Masters and Leslie (David) Backus.

Funeral Service, 10 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2012, at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Wednesday, 9 a.m., until time of service. Private interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Robert J. Bishop, 73

Robert J. Bishop of Clarkston passed peacefully Dec. 1, 2012, at home with care of family and friends at age 73.

He was the husband of Sandra for 26 years; father of Cindy Goddard, Lyn Bishop, and Dianne (John) Addonizio; Poppi of Kyle, Logan, Landon, Kaden, Abby, Hannah and Emily; brother of Delphine Wilkinson; son in law of Robert (the late Arlene) Stoik; preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Mary Bishop.

Mr. Bishop graduated from Catholic Central High School class of 1957 and received multiple letters for participation in baseball and basketball. He graduated in 1961 from University of Detroit with a Bachelor of Science. He was a member of Alpha Xi Fraternity.

He retired in 1986 from the U.S. Navy as Commander and retired in 1995 from Ford Motor Co.

Visitation was Dec. 3 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Dec. 4 at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Graveside service, Wednesday, 11 a.m., at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Michael Hennessy, 61

Michael Edward Hennessy, DDS, aged 61, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 21, at his Lake Orion home surrounded by family after a courageous struggle with cancer.

Dr. Mike was born Oct. 17, 1951, in Pontiac to Mrs. Phyllis Hennessy and the late Edward Hennessy. He was a graduate of Grand Blanc High School, Central Michigan University and the University of Detroit Dental School.



He practiced dentistry in Clarkston for most of his career. Dr. Mike was an avid long distance runner with a passion for flying, serving at church and spending time with his grandchildren.

Dr. Mike is survived by his wife of 38 years, B. Diane Hennessy; two children, Andrea (Charlie) Romines and Matthew (Laura) Hennessy; three grandchildren, Makena and Ashley Romines and Joshua Hennessy; his mother; two sisters, Carol (Ken) Hennessy Nysson and Rhonda (Patrick) McCarty Hennessy DDS, and many other close friends and family members.

A memorial service was Dec. 1 at The River Church, Holly, www.hisriver.net.

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com



HORSESHOE CHAMPS: Winners of this season's Horseshoe Championship for the Lake Orion Horseshoe Club include, bottom row from left, Sportsmanship Award-winner Cass Mangilin of Davisburg, Carson Worley of Waterford, John Hart of Lake Orion, and Cathy Ardelean of Auburn Hills; middle row from left, Russ DuRoss of Lake Orion, Scott Worley of Waterford, Todd Vincent of Ortonville, and Kathy Walton of Lake Orion; and, top row from left, First Place finisher Doug Bailey of Clarkston, High Game winner George Parsons of Clarkston, and Ron Price of Auburn Hills. Not pictured is Frank Perry of Rochester Hills. Photo provided

Holiday Memorial Candle Lighting Ceremony

- Step away from the busy activity of the winter holidays to honor a loved one.
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- Bring friends and family members to pause and think of those special to you who have died.

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Breakfast with Santa, Holiday Gift Sale, pictures with Santa, for all ages, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Dec. 8, First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. 248-394-0200.

Holiday Craft Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Dec. 7; 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 8, Waterford Baptist Cathedral, 2640 Airport Road.

Holiday Memorial Candle Lighting Ceremony, Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, 7 p.m., Dec. 11, Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. Presentation: Dr. John Canine, psychologist and grief specialist. 248-625-5231.

Ye Olde Madrigal Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Dec. 14-15, Harvestland Church, 5848 Clintonville Road. Renaissance inspired dinner theater by CHS Vocal Music, catered by Rudy's. \$35. 248-875-7849.

Monday

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

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

Mothers & More, non-profit dedicated to improving lives of mothers through support, education, advocacy, 6:30 p.m., third Monday, Deer Lake Back Court Restaurant, 6167 White Lake Road. Call Shelly, 248-778-8115, or Allison, 248-462-5510

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. Buck Shots Bar and Grill, 7048 Gateway Park Drive. 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.

Slow Flow Yoga with Noreen Daly, Mondays, Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m. Peace Unity Holistic Center, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-310-7878.

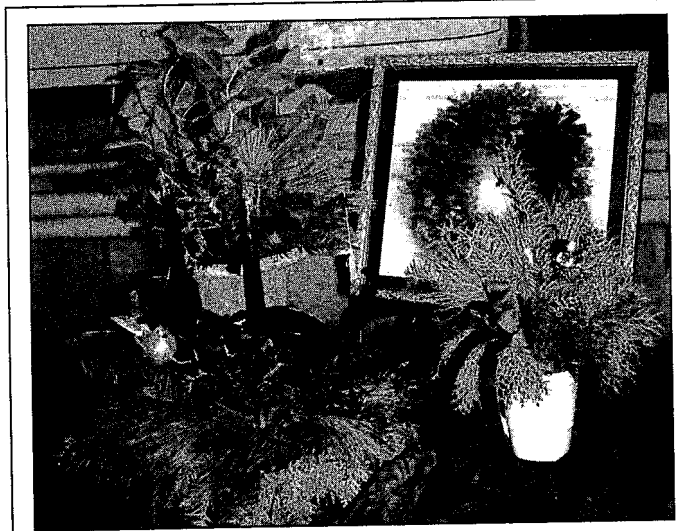
Grief Support Group, Coats Funeral Home, 6:30 p.m., first and third Mondays, Community Presbyterian Church, 4301 Monroe Street at Sashabaw. 248-623-7232.

Around Town

Clarkston



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



TIME FOR DELIVERY: Clarkston Community Women's Club is set to deliver poinsettias, wreaths, kissing balls, graves blankets, porch pots, and other greens in the Poinsettia/Greens sale, Dec. 6. Call 248-623-9462 or 248-625-2924.

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

Fit Club Walks, Mondays, 6-7 p.m., Divine Nutrition, 7743 Sashabaw Road. Free. 248-393-08989 or 248-625-6551.

Tuesday

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.

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

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

Belly Dancing, Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m., Bay Court Park. Independence Township Parks

and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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

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

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

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

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

Wednesday

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

Senior volleyball league, 9-11 a.m., Wednesdays, Fridays, St. Trinity Lutheran Church. Previous experience desired but not required. \$40, through April, trhr7966@comcast.net. 248-625-3881.

Women's Cancer Support Group, second Wednesday, 6-7:30 p.m., McLaren Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. 248-922-6623.

CrossTowne Kids' Club, Wednesdays, 7 p.m., North Oaks Community Church, 9600 Ortonville Road. Learn about God and Bible through lessons, application, activities, for grades 1-5.

Thursday

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.

Local Business Network, Clarkston/Auburn Hills Chapter, first and third Thursday, 7:30-8:45 a.m., North Oakland County Board of Realtors, 4400 W. Walton Blvd., Waterford. 248-370-8029.

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

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

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

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This Week on ClarkstonTV.com

A new "Seeing Green" show with your host, Mary Keck, has just been added to the lineup. Keck recently visited Bay Court Park to see the old Brady Lodge building.

She talked to Ken Elwert, Independence Township Parks and Recreation, Paul Brown, township treasurer and Ron Campbell, Oakland County preservation architect, about repairs needed to make the historic building available for usage by the community.

Read the story about Brady Lodge by Mary Keck in this week's *Clarkston News*.

The Clarkston Boy Varsity Basketball team opened their season this week with a home game against Waterford Mott High School.

"The Dale Ryan Show" is on ClarkstonTV.com all season long for up-to-date cager action.

The Clarkston Farm and Garden Club had their annual Greens Market on Dec. 1. ClarkstonTV.com was there and talked to Club President Lauren Brasile.

A new episode "Don't Rush Me - The Show" with Don Rush and "Phil in the Blank" with Phil Custodio is posted every week.

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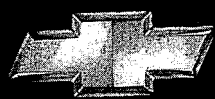
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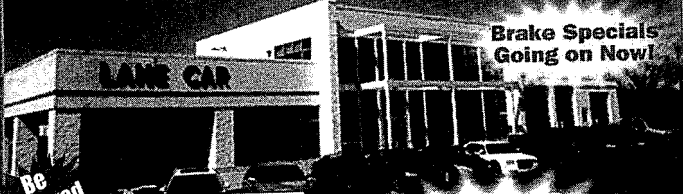
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The City of the Village of Clarkston Ordains:
Section 1.01. That Article II, Definitions, be amended to add the following definitions:

Illuminated "Open" Sign: Any internally illuminated sign displaying the word "OPEN" in the Village Commercial District intended to enable a passerby to discern whether an establishment is open for business.

Section 2.01. That Article XXII, Signs, Section 22.03, Definitions, be amended to add the following as definition 24, and renumber definitions 24 through 59 to 25 through 60:

24. **Illuminated "Open" Sign:** Any internally illuminated sign displaying the word "OPEN" in the Village Commercial District intended to enable a passerby to discern whether an establishment is open for business.

Section 3.01. That Article XXII, Signs, Section 22.05 D, Downtown Sign District, be amended to add the following as paragraph 8, and renumber paragraphs 8 through 13 to 9 through 14.

8. **Illuminated "Open" Signs:** One (1) illuminated "open" sign per public entry may be provided at any business that is located within the Village Commercial District, subject to the conditions listed in Section 22.08 K.

Section 4.01. That Article XXII, Signs, Section 22.08, Nonresidential District Signs, be amended to add the following as paragraph K:

K. **Illuminated "Open" Signs:** One (1) illuminated "open" sign per public entry may be provided at any business located within the Village Commercial District, subject to the following conditions:

1. The sign is displayed in a window.
2. The dimensions of the sign shall not exceed 13.5 inches by six (6) inches
3. The internally illuminated part of the sign shall only include the word "Open" in red letters that are no greater than five (5) inches tall. The background of the sign shall be black. The sign shall not contain any other words, symbols, logos, borders or other graphics or light features whatsoever.
4. Illuminated open signs that incorporate flashing, revolving, rotating, or moving lights or other parts are prohibited.
5. Signs shall be illuminated only during hours when the business is open.

Section 5.01. That Article XXII, Signs, Section 22.05 A, Permit Exempt Signs, be amended to add the following as paragraph 23:

23. **Illuminated "Open" Signs**
Section 6.01. That Article XXII, Signs, Section 22.06 B, Illumination, be amended as follows:

5. **Interior Illuminated Signs.** Illuminated wall signs using an interior light source are prohibited. Signs using visible bulbs, neon, fluorescent or similar lights are prohibited, except for illuminated "open" signs in the Village Commercial District that meet the requirements of Section 22.08 K.

Section 7.01. **Savings Clause**
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 when they were commenced.

Section 8.01. **Repealer Clause.**
All ordinances or policies of the city in conflict with the provisions herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance is intended to be both preventative and punitive, and is intended to be in furtherance of and an extension of, but not in conflict with, the provisions of the city charter of the City of the Village of Clarkston, and the laws of the State of Michigan.

Section 9.01. **Severability Clause.**
Should any section, subdivision, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated.

Section 10.01. **Effective Date.**
Public Hearing having been held by the Planning Commission for the City of the Village of Clarkston on Sept. 5, 2012, the provisions of this Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after publication.

Made and passed by the City Council of the City of Clarkston this 26th day of Nov., 2012.

Kelly Richter
City Clerk

Published: December 5, 2012

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
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CLARKSTON MI 48346
SUMMARY MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2012

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

Clerk Richter gave the Oath of Office and congratulated Mayor Joe Luginiski, Council Members Peg Roth and Mike Sabol on their newly elected positions. Council Member Carol Eberhardt was absent.

Roll Present: Mayor Luginiski, Sabol, Hargis, Roth and Hunter
Absent: Haven and Eberhardt
Others Present - City Manager Ritter and Attorney Ryan

Moved by Hargis, supported by Sabol to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Hunter, supported by Hargis to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion Carried. Absent: Haven and Eberhardt.

Resolved by Sabol, supported by Roth to adjourn into Executive Session regarding 3 East Church lease. Resolution Approved.

Resolved by Roth, supported by Hunter to return to open session. Resolution Approved.

Resolved by Hargis, supported by Hunter to enter into a three year contract with John Morgan to lease 3 East Church. The terms of the contract is to pay an increase of \$750 the first year, \$750 the second year, No increase the third year with a starting date of January 1, 2013 ending December 31, 2015. The agreement includes a 6 month "exit clause" by either party. Resolution Approved.

Moved by Sabol, supported by Roth to table the Geophysical Seismic Survey until more information is received. Motion Carried.

Resolved by Roth, supported by Sabol to approve the new SDM License for Essence on Main. LLC Resolution Approved.

Moved by Roth, supported by Hargis to adjourn meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Richter,
City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.
SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
NOVEMBER 27, 2012

A. A Regular General Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Independence Township Hall.

B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

C. ROLL CALL: Present: Aliaga, Brown, Kittle, Lohmeier, Pallotta, Ritchie, Schroeder
Absent: None

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Ken Elwert, PR&S Director; Linda Richardson, DPW Director; Kristen Siefloff, Assessor, and Susan Hendricks, Finance Director

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As Amended

E. CLOSED SESSION: None requested

F. BOARD / PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Rae Luallen; Patrick Kittle; Jose Aliaga; David Lohmeier

G. PUBLIC COMMENT: Rick Gutowski

H. PUBLIC HEARING: None

J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

K. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Request to Approve Professional Services Appropriations for 2013 Capital Improvement Plan - Removed

2. Approval to Solicit Bids for 2013 Capital Improvement Plan for Parks Equipment

3. Approval to Solicit Bids for Brady Lodge Roof

4. Approval of Allocate Funding for Emergency Sidewalk Repair

5. Approval Minutes of Board of Trustee's Special Meeting: October 30, 2012

6. Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable Check Run in the Amount of \$477,550.35

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Professional Services Appropriations for 2013 Capital Improvement Plan

I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

1. Presentation: Brady Lodge Building (Ron

Campbell; Oakland County Principal Planner and Preservation Architect)

M. REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Request for Part-Time Employee; Assessing Department

2. Approval to Authorize Township Treasurer and Finance Director to Negotiate a Fiscal Agent Agreement with Clarkston Independence District Library

3. Approval of Funding for Network Improvement Project

4. Approval to Reinstatement Authority to Building Department Director/Building Official

5. Approval to Reinstatement Personnel Reporting to Supervisor

6. Approval of Appointments to Boards and Committees

Public Comment: Sam Moraco; Rick Gutowski

7. Approval to Schedule a Special Meeting with Planning Commission

8. Approval to Hire Building Inspector

9. Approval to Eliminate Human Resources Director Position and Restore Human Resources Responsibilities to Supervisor

N. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Board Members discussed various topics

O. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

1. Report: Monthly Financial Update through October 2012 - Removed

2. Report: Oakland County Sheriff's Office - September 2012

P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular General Meeting adjourned at 9:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, December 5, 2012

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS
TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
NOVEMBER 29, 2012

A. A Special Joint Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board and 2013 Planning Commission was called to order at 7:03 PM at the Independence Township Hall.

B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

C. ROLL CALL: Board of Trustees:
Present: Aliaga, Brown, Kittle, Lohmeier, Pallotta, Ritchie, Schroeder
Absent: None

ROLL CALL: 2013 Planning Commission
Present: Bushroe, Galley, Krull, Moraco, Wauldron
Absent: Tully

There was a quorum present.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as presented

E. BOARD / PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

F. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

G. AGENDA ITEMS AS STATED IN THE CALL OF THE MEETING:

1. Planning and Zoning Training for Board of Trustees and 2013 Planning Commission

Presented by Richard Carlisle, Carlisle/Wortman Associates and Steven Joppich, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz and Joppich, PC.

H. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None

I. ADJOURNMENT: The Special Joint Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, December 5, 2012

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2012-347, 016-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate
Estate of DOROTHY DRUE GORSLINE, DECEASED. Date of birth 4/11/1925

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, DOROTHY GRUE GORSLINE, DECEASED, died November 25, 2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Robert G. Isgrigg, Jr. named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, and the named/ proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Estate of ERNST NATER aka ERNST IBO NATER, DECEASED. Date of birth 8/4/1951

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, ERNST NATER aka ERNST IBO NATER, DECEASED, died September 12, 2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Kristin Marie Jadwin, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, and the named/ proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
CLARKSTON
ORDINANCE NO. 129-5

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 129 TO MODIFY THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP.

The City of the Village of Clarkston Ordains:
Section 1.01. That Article XVI, Administration and Enforcement, Section 16.18, Zoning Commission, be amended as follows:

Section 16.18: **Planning Commission**

A. The City Planning Commission is hereby designated as the Commission specified in P.A. 110 of 2006, as amended, and shall perform the duties of said Commission as provided in the statute in connection with the amendment of this Ordinance.

B. The City Planning Commission consists of five (5) members including one ex officio member of the City Council as a voting member of the Planning Commission. The members must represent insofar as is possible different professions or occupations. The Mayor appoints the members subject to the approval by a majority vote of the City Council. Members of the Planning Commission may be compensated at a rate to be determined by the City Council by a majority vote. A member may hold no other municipal office except the one member of City Council, and also that one of the members may be a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. The City Council must establish the powers and duties of the Planning Commission by ordinance.

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Section 5.01. **Effective Date.**
Public Hearing having been held by the Planning Commission for the City of the Village of Clarkston on November 7, 2012, the provisions of this Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after publication.

Made and passed by the City Council of the City of the Village of Clarkston this 26th day of November 2012.

Kelly Richter
City Clerk

Published: December 5, 2012



From left are Jackie Dangl, David Benoit, and Jean Benoit.



Luke Sehuett pours wine for Rudy's Market. Photos by Mary Keck



Wayne Harper decides between all of the food.

Cheers to a good cause

Clarkston residents got a taste of the holidays a little early during the Easter Seals Michigan and Rudy's Market Cheers for the Holidays event. From Sauvignon Blancs to brown ale brews, salmon, and meatballs, locals were treated to a flavorful evening at Clarkston Mills Mall on Nov. 27.

Besides the yummy treats on hand, wine tasters were entertained by singer/song writer Jason Wagner and Detroit Red Wings' Karen Newman who sang tunes from her holiday show.

The Cheers for the Holidays event wasn't just for fun, however.

The silent auction and ticket sales helped raise funds for Easter Seals —96 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to services that create solutions that change lives," said Easter Seals President and CEO Bret Wirth.

Children and adults with autism, Down Syndrome and cerebral palsy are among the benefactors of Easter Seals fund raisers.

The 120 people who attended raised \$15,000 for Easter Seals

Michigan.

Their contributions will fund services for those with substance abuse struggles, serious mental illnesses, and children with speech delays.

Don't worry if you missed this year's Cheers for the Holidays because Craig Sharum of Easter Seals Michigan said, "we are already talking about doing another one in Clarkston next year."

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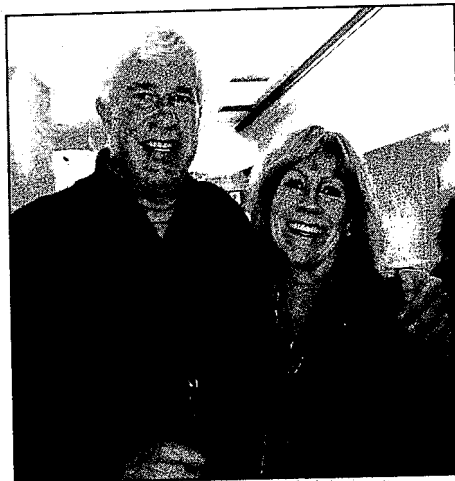
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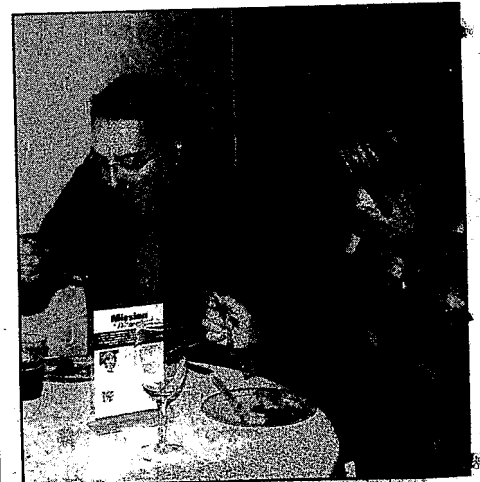
Karen Newman sings.



Charley and Raychel Prather enjoy some snacks.



Peg and Bob Roth support a good cause.



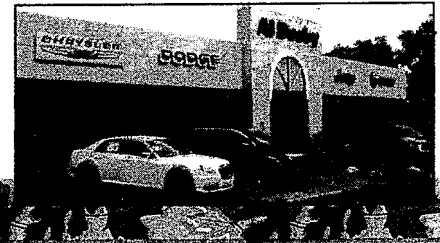
Joe Trotter and Susan Becker finish their entree.













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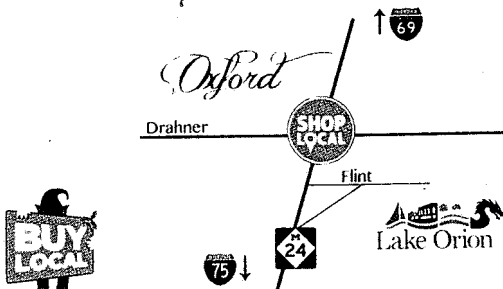
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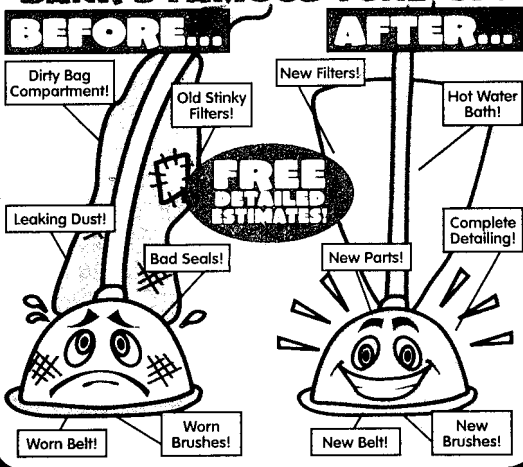
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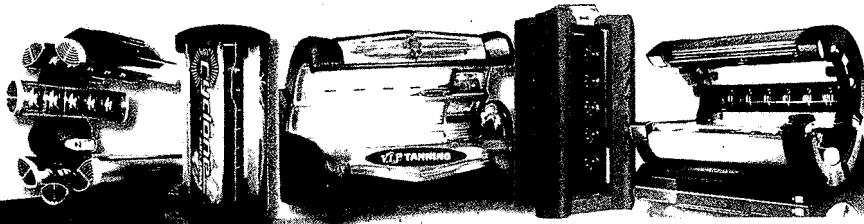
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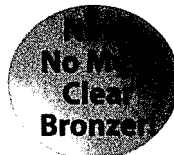
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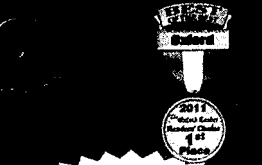
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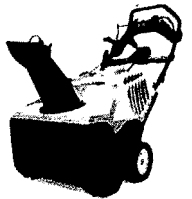
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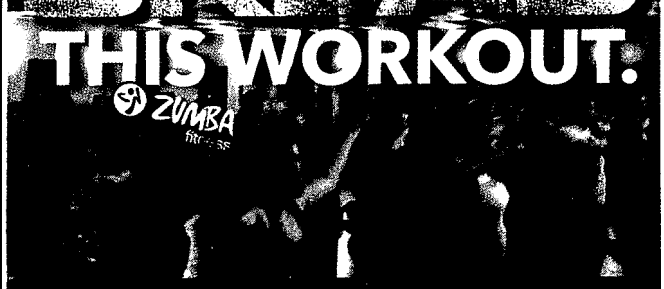
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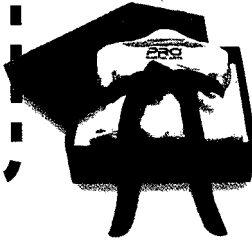
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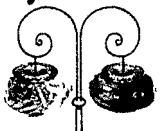
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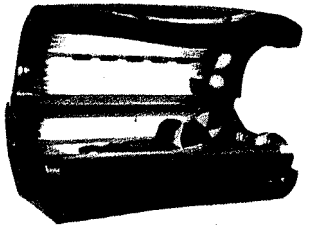
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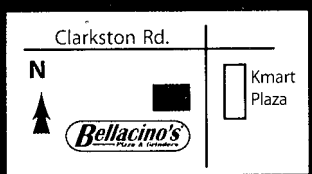
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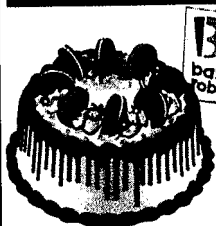
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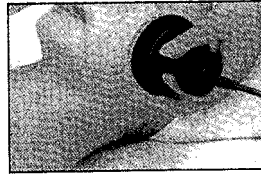


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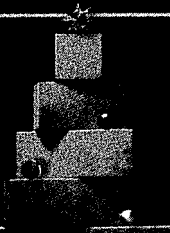
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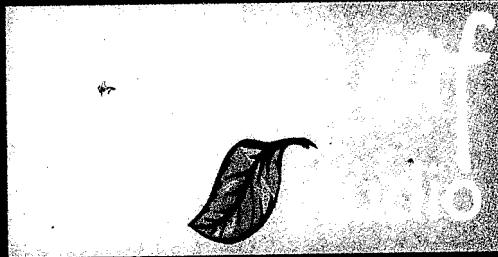
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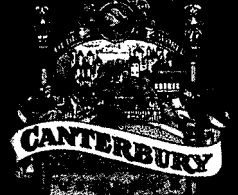
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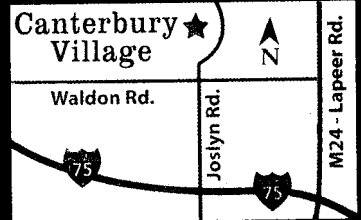
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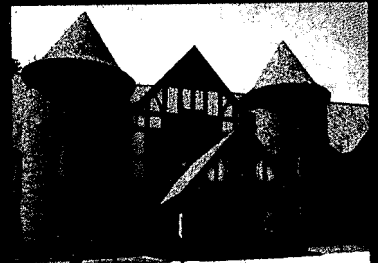
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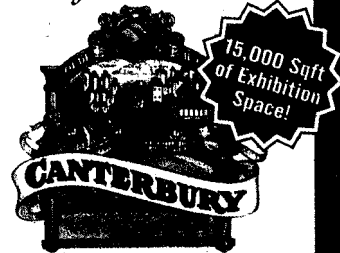


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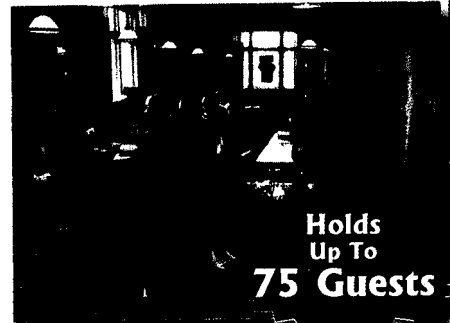
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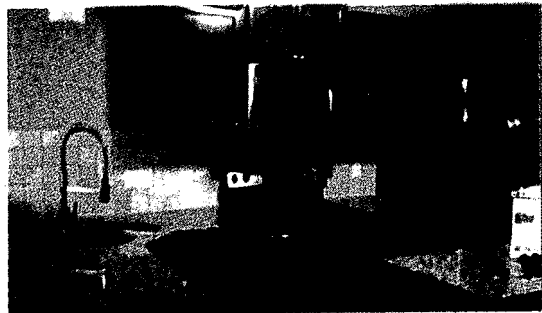
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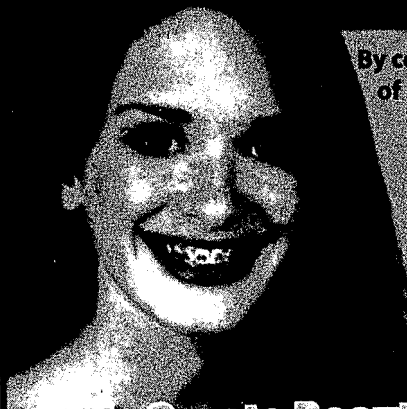
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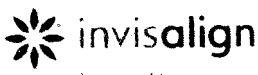
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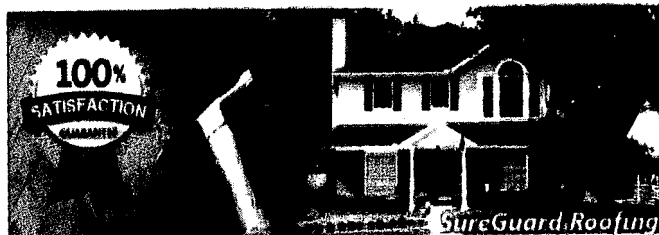
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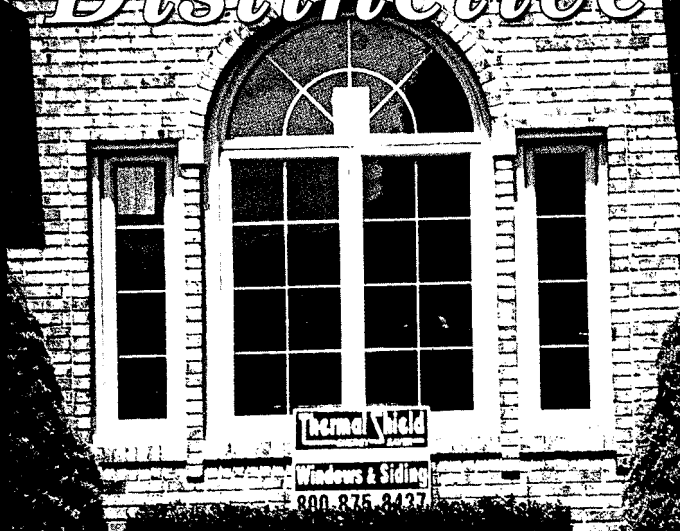
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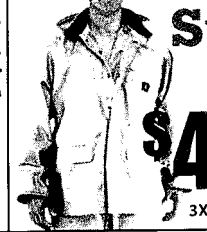
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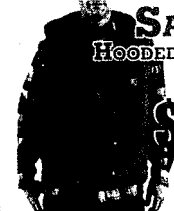
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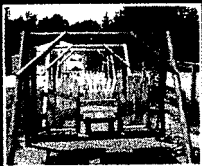
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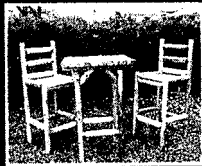
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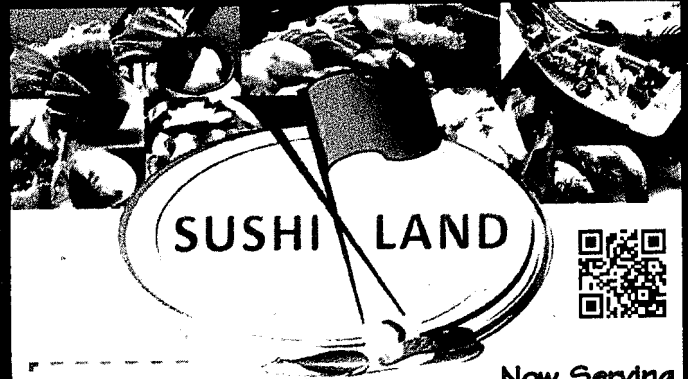
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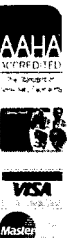
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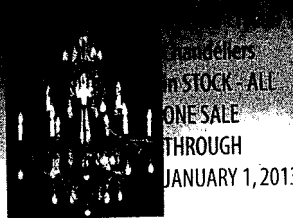
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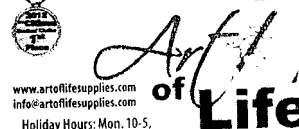
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