



Township weighs oil drilling options

BYMARYKECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer An agreement to drill for oil in Indepedence Township will be on the table next month.

To prepare for it, Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle, Clerk Barb Pallotta, and township attorney.

Steve Joppich met with Jim Nash, water resources commissioner for Oakland County, on March 15 to discuss the lease agreement proposal offered by Jordan Development in December.

"If you're going to do this, you have to keep an eye on

them," Nash said about the oil and gas exploration company from Traverse City.

If the Board of Trustees votes to enter into an agreement with Jordan Development, the company would use horizontal drilling to reach minerals they Please see Drilling on page 4





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Business boom in Trends

Did you know Lowrie's Landscape installs in-ground swimming pools, which they work into a custom landscape design while they're at it?

Air Serv is giving away a free air conditioner system to the Clarkston or Ortonville resident with the oldest AC?

Gott's Auto Service has been fixing up our cars and trucks for half a century?

The Birdfeeder, Clarkston Flower Shoppe, and Bonnie & Clyde are gearing up for spring with a new garden center?

And Mesquite Creek has a new menu for lunch, offering items like the Steak Salad and Prime Rib French Dip?

This is just a sample of what vou can find out about local businesses in Trends 2013, our annual Progress edition.

"Business is trending up," said Assistant Publisher Don Rush. "Local businesses are excited about being in business this vear.'

We have 68 full-color pages profiling dozens of local businesses showing how.

Two up for city manager

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After five hours of interviews and deliberation, Clarkston City Council selected two candidates for city manager at a special meeting, March 16.

Carol Eberhardt of Clarkston and Andrew Potter of Ortonville will present how they would approach the job and plans for the first 100 days of employment at the council's next regular meeting next Monday, March 25, at 7 p.m.

The council met five applicants this past Saturday, and whittled their options down to the top two candidates.

Dennis Ritter, city manager since 2008, announced his retirement in January.

The city received 13 applications to replace him, and a selection committee made up of Ritter, Mayor Joe Luginski, former Mayor Sharron Cattallo, and Councilman Eric Haven nominated four candidates for interviews.

"It's been a successful decision," said Buginski about the process," Luginski said and process of narrowing those thanked the selection committee. ... interviewed down to two. Delaney, Mark Angott, Eberhardt, and Potter for interviews when the ... he added. "We felt the two wes council met on March 11.

However, Councilman Mike Sabol felt one more applicant needed to be considered. He requested candidate Debra



Eberhardt



agreed.

Tom Hunter added and Council member Peg Roth

"It was not a real easy experience in city government, Please see Selection on page 2

supervisor is pretty good experience in my mind," Sabol said. "I was fairly impressed by her resume,"



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The screening kits are offered to people age 50 and older or those with a family history of colorectal cancer, which is the second leading cause of cancerrelated deaths and kills more than 55,000 Americans each year.

When caught and treated early, colorectal cancer is one of the most curable of all cancers. The test takes minutes and can be performed at home. The kit requires one stool sample instead of three and no pre-test dietary or medicinal restrictions.

Age is the greatest risk factor for colorectal cancer with more than 90 percent of cases diagnosed in people age 50 and older. Additional risk factors include a family history of the disease and lifestyle-related factors such as obesity, smoking and a diet high in red meat.

To request a kit, call 855-552-KNOW (5669) or visit melaren.org/cancer.

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National award for Rotarians

Clarkston Rotarians Mary Sloan and Jeff Lichty earned the Presidential Volunteer Service Award for their efforts raising awareness and funds for ShelterBox USA.

Shelterboxes, each loaded with a tent, cook stove, water purification, blankets, mosquito nets, and other equipment, were sent to more than 30 disasters in 23 countries last year.

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Tootsie Roll Drive

Clarkston area Knights of Columbus will be out in local intersections and stores for their Annual Tootsie Roll Drive this weekend, March 22-23. Proceeds are used to help people with intellectual disabilities.

Sign denied on I-75

Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) denied a second request from Eagle Graphics on March 6 for an Everest Academy sign along I-75.

Everest hoped to advertise their offerings of preschool to high school education on a sign 6 foot, 10 inches by 18 foot, 6 inches in width, which was a reduction of 22 square feet from the sign previously requested in November.

The ZBA unanimously denied Eagle Graphics' revised variance request because they were not convinced Everest had a valid hardship to justify the need for such an advertisement.

Akropolis in concert

Akropolis Reed Quintet performs in concert, 7 p.m., March 21, at Clarkston High School, 6093 Flemings Lake Road. The nationally-acclaimed group will also work with band members at Sashabaw Middle School, Clarkston Junior High, and Clarkston High School from March 19-22.

Check www.akropolisquintet.com.

Chocolate night

Friends of the Library hosts Chocolate Celebration Night, 6:30 p.m., April 9, at Clarkston Independence District Library. Chef Joan Donnay of Essence on Main, will demonstrate how to make a chocolate delight, with tasting after.

Residents 18 and over can compete in the Chocolate Challenge Contest, entries limited to the first 25 persons or organizations to sign up by April 5. Attendees will vote on their favorite recipe. First place wins two cooking lessons at Essence on Main, with prizes for second and third Email cgrubba@comeast.net for information.

Movie night

Clarkston High School is showing Mean Girls on movie night, 8 p.m., Briday, in the auditorium. Tickets at the door, \$1 Proceeds go to Sarah's Secret Closet, a program started by sophomore Sarah Head providing clothes, personal items, and school supplies to students in need.

Perfect GPA now needs 5.0 for some students

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Staff Writer A 4.0 isn't perfect anymore at Clarkston High School. For that, students' grade point averages have to go up to five.

"It is a good thing for our students," said Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock. "I think it will encourage more kids to take tougher classes."

"I think it is a really good thing for Clarkston," said Shawn Ryan, deputy superintendent.

Clarkston Board of Education approved the 5.0 weighted grading scale for some classes, with GPA's retroactively recalculated, on Feb. 25 with a 5-0 vote. President Cheryl McGinnis and Trustee Joan Patterson were absent.

"I believe the adoption of this grading scale, from talking to other schools, will incentivize them to take some of these classes where normally they wouldn't," said Principal Gary Kaul. "It is my hope it would help do that."

The new weighted system will be in effect for all Advanced Placement courses, World Language V, and core classes in Dual Enrollment programs with administrative approval. It will also be used for higher level International Baccalaureate classes, which include two Language Arts, two Social Studies, two sciences, math, World Language, elective IB Psychology or computer science, and higher level courses in music.

Clarkston is not alone. Other schools currently using the 5.0 weighted system in Oakland County are Oxford, Birmingham, Berkley, Ferndale, Southfield Lathrup, Troy and West Bloomfield.

The administration took a look at the local schools as well as those around the state using the weighted five point scale. Rock added it will help students when they apply for colleges and scholarships.

"When a Clarkston student achieves a 4.0 and a graduate of another high school achieves a 4.8, it advantages the student from the other school even though colleges recalculate grades," Rock explained. "I think this change will increase the number of scholarship and college opportunities for our students."

Treasurer Steve Hyer asked for the change to be made in the upcoming school year, 2013-2014, instead of right away.

"I see this as let's do this for the rigor of

our program. The kids have chosen what they have chosen for other factors," he pointed out. "This might change what they choose moving forward."

But Kaul said they want to put as many students as possible in the best position they can for high school and their future.

"It's undeniable if a student takes a rigorous course load in high school, particularly their senior year, it prepares them better for college," he said. "You have differing opinions when it should be started. If there is something that will harm the students, I will pull the plug."

Kaul also said the technology department can begin the process immediately.

Secretary Rosalie Lieblang asked if classes added for the higher level IB course would be included, and asked for the board to create a criteria. Hyer agreed, and requested a board-issued policy for when high-rigor classes would be added to the course list.

"Some districts struggle to go to a five point scale because some students slack off because a 'B' is good enough," said Trustee Sue Boatman. "I am sure you will be tracking how many additional students are taking rigorous classes."

Oil-drilling draft agreement before board, April 2

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believe are beneath 40 acres of Bay Court Park. Potential wells needed for the operation would not be located in the park, but on privately owned acreage nearby.

Nash offered suggestions to the township, including adding language to a potential contract with Jordan to ensure horizontal hydraulic fracturing (fracking) would not occur if wells were sold to another oil and gas company. Testing the water quality before drilling was another point Nash stressed.

In addition, Nash advised ensuring Jordan Development covers damages to local roads due to increased truck traffic to the drilling site.

He also pointed out noise and light ordinances could come into play when drilling begins, and he warned against odors and leakage from tanks storing any minerals found.

"It's not a clean business," Nash warned. The township's lease with Jordan Development would be "nondevelopmental," meaning no wells or storage tanks would be located on townshipowned property. The agreement proposed by Jordan Representative Chris Bickley in November offered the township a sixth of any royalties from oil and gas produced, and Bickley suggested the township could gaim \$50.000 a month.

During their discussion with Nash, the township officials talked over the possibility



From left, Pat Kittle, Jim Nash, and Steve Joppich identify where oil and gas exploration would occur in Independence Township. Photo by Mary Keck

of compulsory pooling if the board voted against signing a contract with Jordan Development.

Kittle expressed concern compulsory pooling might cause the township to lose some control over Jordan's operations, and Nash acknowledged the potential for a "catch-22" situation.

If Jordan Development is unable to secure all the mineral rights leases they need to explore for oil and gas in Independence Township, they could petition to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

The DEQ would then hold a compulsory

pooling hearing that could allow Jordan to drill despite objections from property owners.

According to Hal Fitch of the DEQ, of the four compulsory pooling hearings petitioned by Jordan Exploration and their partner West Bay Exploration over the past two years, three petitions were granted.

One hearing was dismissed because Jordan Exploration came to an agreement with the landowner who didn't want to lease.

The Board of Trustees will consider the draft agreement for approval at its next meeting on April 2 at 7 p.m. at Township Hall.



Wesley Zeemer shakes the dice for good luck in Rock-N-Rolla.



Jackson Cury lines up his marble on the track for the Marble Race.

Wildcats play at fair

Students explored the halk ways of North Sashabaw Elementary on Friday night looking for the next game to try.

They brought their friends and family to join the fun at their school's fair and partake in games and activities.

They also spent time hiding from their classmates who stepped in as police officers and were arresting students. See, they should have turned in homework on time.

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Chloe Kudla jumps to pop a balloon to win a prize in the game - Stomp.





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A column by Phil Custodio

Phil in the Blank

Welcome spring!

Ignore whatever white stuff may linger outside. The sun is finished with its trip south and is finally heading back this way.

Today is the first day of spring. I keep my house cold in an effort to save a bit on utilities, so I'm looking forward to some warmth in the place.

Clarkston Optimists had a good winter season with their ice rink in Depot Park. It had actual ice this year, with skaters and

everything, instead of a slushy pond like they had last year. But it's time to put that thing away.



Our annual *Progress* edition is in this week's paper. Published about this time every year, it's

an annual milestone – holidays, New Year's predictions, then *Progress*.

Things seem to be looking up, hopefully. Last week's paper had something I haven't seen in a while – a subdivision development story. Those were common a few years ago, now not so much.

Winter went fast. I think I only had to shovel my driveway twice the whole season. My next door neighbor clears it with his Jeep plow if the snow gets deep. He's a good neighbor.

I'm still paranoid about driving in snow and ice. It feels as if my back wheels are going to slide out from under me at any moment. That's because they did about this time two years ago during a spring snowfall, when I spun out on 1-69 and totalled my car.

As usual, it feels like Christmas just ended and now it's time for Easter.

Hopefully this year's Easter will be a bit less stressful than the last one. I returned from Easter services, the late one on Saturday night, to find my cat with a gash in his side. He was the victim of some inter-cat violence of some sort.

I took him to the animal emergency room. It cost a bit and he's old, but I decided not to have my cat put down on Easter morning. It took a bunch of stitches and a few weeks of healing, all in the cone of shame, but he got better and has been fine the whole rest of the year.

And now with the snow going or gone, I suppose I'll have to do something about those leaves I left on the lawn last fall. Didn't get around to raking them at the time. And then there's the whole "spring cleaning" thing.

Why do I like spring, again?

Opinion Pages Letters, columns & Editorials

Reader disagrees with drilling warnings

Dear Editor,

In response to "Commissioner sees water risk in oil, gas drills," March 6, I find it incredible Water Resources Commissioner Jim Nash, a public servant, would say these things in the newspaper without having proof to back any of the items up.

Let's start with his example in Pennsylvania, where one well blew out, there was no long-term damage from this accident. By Commissioner Nash's stance, since we can't do anything to stop any kind of accident from happening, let's not do anything.

This argument makes no sense at all.

Virginia Shannon's statement stated, "There is no way to make any drilling or extraction risk-free."

This is another bit of nonsense. There's no way to do anything in life risk-free. Risk takers are what built this country along with cheap, abundant energy.

Ms. Shannon also stated "gas drilling in other states contaminated drinking water sources, made nearby residence sick, and turned forest acres into industrial zones." This is simply not true.

And I won't even start to argue with her

about this ridiculous global warming pollution. If you follow the money on that one, you'll find out what it's all about.

I am the president of Waterford Hill Manor Homeowners Association and Jordan Development contacted us a little over a year ago. At that time, the board and I did our due diligence and have researched drilling in Michigan, which has some of the most stringent drilling laws in the United States.

We spoke to various attorneys and landowners who have signed leases with Jordan Development and found them to be an upstanding company.

Mr. Nash's statement "major banks will not put a mortgage on places that have a fracking lease" has nothing to do with the topic at hand as they are not fracking.

I have found no credible proof that this statement is true.

Fracking has been around for over 60 years and no one, not the Michigan DEQ or federal EPA or any other credible environmental agency, has found this method to be harmful to the environment.

Cliff Marquette Independence Township



HEADING TO FINALS: From left, Clarkston High School Mock Trial Team members Sabrina Zayec, Amanda Hampton, Brooke Huisman, Lexi Wung, Morgan Gibson, Anna Gray, Kylie Cohu, Rebecca Rogers, and Amanda Chamberlain are heading to the Mock Trial State Finals, March 23 at Veterans Memorial Courthouse, Lansing. *Photo provided*

Write a Letter to the Editor

Deadline is noon, Monday. You can drop them or mail them to 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346; fax them at 248-625-0706; or e-mail Clarkstonnews@gmail.com. Any questions call *The Clarkston News* at 248-625-3370.

A Look Back From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1998

"Languages considered for elementary grades" Clarkston Board of Education considered a plan to bring foreign languages to elementary students as young as kindergarten. The World Language Committee was leaning toward Spanish, using a concept-based approach.

"Homeless man found in school" A 23year-old local man who said he was homeless was found inside Sashabaw Middle School. He got in through a window, and it took a tracking dog to find him. He said he had attended the school as a child and was looking for money, shelter, food, or items to sell for food. He also said he had gotten into the building several other times.

25 years ago - 1988

"Clarkston Rotarians plan PolioPlus benefit" In his lifetime, Ken Winship has seen polio become rare in the United States, so he's optimistic about PolioPlus, a Rotary International project that could rid the world of the disease. PolioPlus is a plan to provide polio vaccine and immunizations for other childhood diseases such as whooping cough, measles, diphtheria, and tetanus to some 240 million children in 40 developing countries. It is the largest project Rotary International has undertaken.

"Superintendent search begins Friday" From a field of 59 applicants for the position of superintendent of Clarkston Schools, 11 have been selected for interviews, and they are all from Michigan. The interview sessions are open to the public, and the announcement of the selection of the new superintendent has tentatively been set for the April 11 board of education regular meeting. The new superintendent is expected to begin the job on July 1, the date current Superintendent Milford Mason's resignation becomes official.

50 years ago - 1963

"School board approves new salary schedule" Clarkston Community Schools boosted starting teacher annual salary from \$4,600 to \$4,800, adding about \$200,000 to the district's budget. Residents paid a total of 24.43 mills for debt service and operations. Top pay was \$8,140 per year.

"Celebrate Fifty Years" Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Conklin were honored with a 50th anniversary party at their home at 84 Holcomb Road, Clarkston. Twenty-six members of the family were present and had a potluck dinner.

Club keeps up with issues in off year

This is an off year for elections, but was standing room only." Independence Conservatives Club still has a mission to do.

"This is an opportunity for likeminded people to be together and accomplish things in the local community," said Carol Grubba, secretary.

"We're just getting started," said Susan Sajdak, chair. "Last election, as much as we worked, we may not have been able to do much nationally, but we can do something about local elections and issues."

The mission of the club, which was founded in 2011 and has about 75 members, is to promote conservative values especially in local government through political activism, community education and watchdog activities.

"Last year, we had a lot of election issues, with the battle for Independence Township supervisor, school bond, school board, state ballet issues," Sajdak said. "It

Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle is scheduled to speak at next month's meeting.

"There are so many things going on in Independence Township," Sajdak said.

"We'll have time for dialogue to find out more about his plans and how we can help," Grubba said.

Upcoming speakers include state representatives, education experts, and other government and community leaders discussing local government and school issues, and officials' voting records.

"We don't endorse candidates. Our purpose is to help you make up your own mind," Grubba said.

The group meets the second Thursday of the month at Red Knapps, 6722 Dixie Highway - dinner at 6 p.m., speaker at 7 p.m. For more information, email info@itccinfo.com.

-Phil Custodio



Dr. Ljubisa Dragovic, chief medical examiner for Oakland County, was guest speaker at Independence Conservatives Club's March 14 meeting. Photo by Phil Custodio

Smackin' frackin' sequestration

I know there's nary a soul in the good ol' U S of A who's clicking their heels and dancing a jig over our Federal government's inability to be open, honest, frugal or any other trait Americans profess to process. (Sorry about mentioning clicking of heals and dancing a jig --I'm still basking in the afterglow of St. Patrick's Day.)

I bring this up because of that smackin' frackin' thing called "sequestration."

First, what a stupid name. Sequestration, sounds like the government types wanted to either put their heads in the sand so they couldn't hear the American people, or they wanted to keep any bit of any truth sealed from the American people. Either way, sequestration doesn't sound like a budget operation. Surely not a decrease in spending.

Clarkston business-type Stefanie brought me a copy of the March 4, 2013 Navy Times. The big, banner headline on the cover read:

Troops to Obama & Congress: STOP WRECKING OUR MILITARY

39 ways you're paying for Washington's failures You can see where soldiers stand on the cuts. But, isn't it just like governmental bodies (local, school, country state or federal) to make sure any cut comes in the most painful ways?

Locally, they say if we don't raise more "revenue" they will have to layoff teachers, bus drivers, police or firefighters. How many of the top administrators take significant cuts?

On the Federal level, soldiers get worked over. They are 'sposed to stay fit, yet open gym hours got whacked; we want 'em lean, mean and ready, yet instead of continued training they'll pick up the cuts by picking up more maintenance detail, cutting grass and washing windows.

Soldiers will make do, I know. They'll do what their orders say, but it doesn't seem like this sequestration business is all on the up and up. It don't seem legit.

I hopped on the internet and read stuff from a diverse bunch of writers -- writers from websites by Mother Earth to Heritage.org, from California to Minnesota to New York.

Heck, I even started to wade through the 394 page, OMB Report Pursuant to the Sequestration Transparency Act of 2012, put out by the White House. (I only recommend it if you want to fall asleep.)

And, what commonality did I find? The sequestration isn't a cut in spending so much as it is a cut to an increase in spending.

In English this means, if you got \$5 from me this year, were expecting \$7 next year and I sequestered my spending to you, you'd only get \$6 next year. While not as good as \$7, the buck increase is still better than a sharp stick to the eve.

I'll give you a few quotes.

"Federal spending is projected to grow from \$3.6 trillion in 2013 to more than \$6 trillion by 2023, a 69 percent increase without sequestration. Even with sequestration, federal spending would still grow by 67 percent. Sequestration barely even slows the growth in spending, let alone cuts any spending out of the overall budget . . . In 2013, spending is projected to grow by \$57 billon without sequestration and by \$15 billion with sequestration." -- Romina Boccia

"Actually, these sequestration cuts are merely cuts in increased government spending, not real budget cuts ... there are a number of programs exempted from sequester cuts, including: Child nutrition (school lunch program), Federal-aid highway programs, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (Healthy Families), Military salaries, Pell grants, Social Security benefits, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps), Supplemental Security Income, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), Veterans' benefits and health care ... " - Katy Grimes

"The cuts that will actually take place this year are barely over one percent of the \$3.6 trillion federal budget. Moreover, they will quickly be overwhelmed by renewed growth in federal spending." -- Robert Robb Here's my guess.

Congressmen and women will take a lot of time off from work and in the end there will be another increase in taxes coming this year. And, I for one am excited by this prospect. Heck, after the hike in January, my taxes have gone up over a grand this year. Gee, guess I clicked my heals and jigged too soon.

By a show of hands out there, how many folks have handled budget cuts in your household? How many have been down-sized out of a job? How many feel their elected officials are looking out for them?

What are your thoughts? E-mail, Don@ShermanPublications.org.



Don't

Rush Me

A column by Don Rush

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Pine Knob Elementary's Clarkston Creativity Crew Destination ImagiNation team. Destination Imagination teams going to finals

ImagiNation teams qualified for Affiliate Finals competition in Mount Pleasant, April 20.

The Regional Destination ImagiNation tournament was at Waterford Mott High School, March 2. More than 100 teams competed in six challenges. Clarkston was represented by eight teams in grades K-12. Four are advancing to the Affiliate Finals.

Clarkston High School Team members Matt Dargay, Hannah Glise, John McLennan and Bonnie Petkus and Clarkston Junior High School team members Anne-Marie Dargay, Caroline Dargay, Kalei McLennan, Mitchell Page, Alex Pouttu, Grace Pouttu and Andrew Ross competed in the "Change in Realitee" Central Challenge.

Pine Knob Elementary School team members Brady Bergman, Maya Bergman, Sydnee McLennan, Kevin Petkus, Grace Schroeder and

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Four Clarkston Creativity Crew Destination Josh Stone competed in the fine arts challenge "In Disguise."

North Sashabaw Elementary School team members Ella Chick, Carson Funck, Jordyn Haden, Morgan Hunter, Owen Meyer, Mason Randolph, and Grace Spencer competed in the "Real to Reel" central challenge.

North Sashabaw Elementary and Pine Knob Elementary Rising Stars team members Violet Bergman, Sam Chick, Dillon Hunter, Ben Isgrigg, Andrew Kurzman and Aaron West competed in "Rov G Biv."

Teams finishing in the top two in their division at Affiliate Finals go on to the Global Finals competition in May in Knoxville, Tenn.

Destination ImagiNation is a worldwide creative problem-solving organization, which builds creativity, problem solving, and teamwork skills



Clarkston Junior High School's Destination Imagination team



The Clarkston High School DI team.

find more at www.genisyscu.or

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Where you come first



Trespassing son

The owner of a Fay Street trailer learned his 20-year-old son was in it without permission so called police, 8:39 a.m., March 6. Deputies found him along with two others asleep in the living room. The son was found to have a felony warrant out of Wood County, Ohio, for drunk driving, resisting arrest, and fleeing police. He was jailed pending extradition.

Found with marijuana

A 17-year-old Independence Township boy was cited with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia as well as theft after his step father found him with the drug and called police, 2:51 p.m., March 8. The boy had also taken \$200 from his wallet. Deputies confiscated baggies of marijuana and homemade pipes.

Expired license

Investigation of a traffic accident at Sashabaw and Waldon roads found an 18year-old Independence Township woman was responsible, and was also driving on an expired temporary driver's license, 5:13 p.m., March 10. She was cited for the expired license and failure to yield.

Broken windows

Someone broke the rear window of a car in a parking lot in the 4000 block of Lancasterhill Drive, March 10. Nothing was reported taken.

Warrant arrest

Oakland County prosecutor issued an arrest warrant for misdemeanor assault with a motor vehicle for a June 27 incident in which a 54-year-old Independence Township woman hit a motorcyclist at Pine Knob and Waldon roads, hospitalizing him. Deputies arrested her at her home without incident, 10:17 p.m., March 10.

Beer in the drive-through

A restaurant employee called police when she noticed a drive-through customer had a screw-capped can of beer in her center console, 1:45 a.m., March 10. A deputy stopped the customer, a 67-year-old Independence Township woman, at Maybee Road near Timberwood Trail. She had several cans of beer on the passenger side floorboard, two opened. She said she drank it during her lunch break earlier that day. She was cited for open intoxicants.

Tax refund fraud

An Independence Township man called the IRS, State of Michigan, bank, and credit company after receiving an IRS letter regarding his tax return, then a tax refund check from the state for \$459. March 11. He hadn't filed his state or federal tax returns yet. Someone filed a return in his name electronically and applied a request to have the refund deposited directly into a bank account, but the request was denied and the check was sent to the man's residence.

School bomb threats

North Sashabaw Elementary students were evacuated for about an hour as sheriff's deputies and bomb-sniffing dogs searched the school in response to a text-message bomb threat, 11:04 a.m., March 12. On March 13 at 4:45 p.m., a separate threat was discovered on a bathroom wall at Sashabaw Middle School. Administrators and law enforcement found that threat vague and not credible. Investigation showed the two threats were made by students. Sashabaw Middle School conducted a previously scheduled lockdown drill on March 15. The drill was scheduled in August and was unrelated to the threats.

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This Week...

Girls Soccer kicks off their season with a home opener against Waterford Mott on Thursday. JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.

Springing into new season

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Wolves are preparing for their first competition after practicing in their spring sports for the past week.

The Lady Wolves soccer teams are up first as they host Waterford Mott on Thursday at Clarkston High School. It is the first game for both teams in the season.

"I am excited and looking forward to it," said Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer Coach Sarah Wasilk. "Mott beat us pretty bad last year. I think the girls are looking forward to playing them again this year and earn some respect back."

She added a lot of factors will go into the first game especially since the team is fairly young.

"They are really eager and hard-working," Wasilk said. "We do have a good core group of seniors who also provide good leadership. It's the first game and you never know."

The boys and girls track and field teams open their season with the Oakland Indoor Relay on Friday and the Huron Relays at Eastern Michigan University on Saturday.

Both meets will prepare them as they head to their first OAA Red meet against Lake Orion on Tuesday.

"I am anxious to see how our new girls and freshman are going to help us out and see how much our veterans have improved from last year," said John Yorke, head coach for the Lady Wolves Track and Field team. "It is a good opportunity for our returners to step up for the girls who graduated. Lake Orion might have surprises we don't know about." Their key returners Erin Billette, Molly Jeffers, Franzi Loetzner, Maddie Wilson, Maicey Peterson, Tessa Manilla, Taylor Beach, Lynsie Gram and Taylor Mullins.

"We have a good group of freshmen this year who will help us a lot this year, too," Yorke added.

The boys team will go up against the returning state champions from last year's Lake Orion team.

"It is a good test for our guys right away," said John Bennink, head coach for the boys team. "Hopefully we will have good times and see a good competition." Hopefully the weather permits and there is nice weather."

Guys to look out for are Mitchell McCord, Caine Watlington, Blake Sutherland, Merrick Canada, Ian Eriksen, Tim Cason, Andrew Swanson, Allen Gray, Dan Billette, Nick Moore, Austin Draving, David Posawatz and Scott Cousino.

"We will be very competitive," Bennink added. "We are good in all areas. I am excited. I like all of our kids and they really work hard in practice."

The boys varsity lacrosse team start their journey for the regional title with their season this Saturday at Utica Eisenhower, followed by a game on Monday at St. Mary's Preparatory.

"We are excited about our core," said Brian Kaminskas, head coach, adding they have a larger squad this season. "We have more guys fighting for positions and really pushing each other. I think a lot of people are expecting us to take a step back since we graduated 12 kids last year. I think we will stay at the same level."



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Champion on track

Bo Anderson proudly held up his most recent additions of medals to his athletic accomplishments.

Anderson, a fourth grader at Springfield Plains Elementary, finished as state champion in the 1,600-meter run in the Michigan AAU Indoor Track and Field Championships on March 10 with the Waza Track Club.

He finished the event with a time of 6:04.84 in the bantam boys division.

"I thought it was neat," Anderson said about winning.

"He set it as his goal," said parents, Mike and Kathy.

"He ran a great race," Kathy continued, adding Bo has worked hard during the indoor season and trained twice a week. "It was really awesome to see his traning and hard work pay off. He was so proud of himself."

Bo also finished in second place in the 800-meter run, with a time of 2:54.72. Kathy explained the indoor track is a



smaller track at 200 meters and it was a new experience. It also gave Bo the advantage of having a better view of his competition.

"I felt really fast," said Bo. "There is a boy from Motor City Track Club who has always beaten me in the outdoor 1,500meter races by 10 or 15 seconds. I knew I wanted to chase him at the indoor championships and try to beat him. I passed him early in the race and I just kept pulling away after that. I was glad to finally beat him in the mile, but he beat me in the 800 meters."

Bo started with the Waza Track Club a year ago and competed during the outdoor track and field summer season and cross country fall season as well. He is the only member of the club from Clarkston.

He has been running for awhile and in the past has qualified to compete at the national level in the 2011 USATF Outdoor Track and Field Junior Olympics and the 2012 AAU Outdoor Track and Field Junior Olympics.

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Allison Roberts passes the ball to one of her teammates. Photos by Wendi Reardon

Spring is here

Wolves begin their competitions in the 2013 Spring season this week. Here is where you can find them: Thursday - Soccer vs. Waterford Mott, 5:30 p.m. Friday - Girls Tennis at Deer Lake Tournament, 4 p.m. Saturday - Boys Lacrosse at Utica Eisenhower Monday - Boys Lacrosse at St. Mary's Prep, 5 p.m. Tuesday - Track and Field at Lake Orion, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday - Girls Lacrosse vs. Waterford, 5:30 p.m. Stay caught up with the Wolves on the Wolfpack Update on www.ClarkstonNews.com or on Twitter @CNewsWRSports.





Caine Watlington speeds up.



Shelby Hopper controls the ball.



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Petersen finds niche at Mars Hill

BY TERESA BUCKNER

Special to The Clarkston News

graduate Bobby Petersen grew up loving and plaving all kinds of team sports.

Eventually, he settled on lacrosse as his favorite and he began to throw his time and energy behind those skills particular to the a lot of the other ones, and sport.

That work and focus paid off last year when Petersen transferred to Mars Hill College. He tried out for the lacrosse team as a walk-on Petersen played lacrosse and made the team, which at the time was ranked in the top 15 in the nation.

It is an all-American story repeated over and over for college athletes. Petersen's story is much the same. Except every shot he makes--every block, every play--he makes with one hand

Petersen was born with a condition that rendered one of his arms much shorter than the other. Playing any college sport one armed is astonishing, especially lacrosse, an intensely physical game that requires players to handle the stick with tremendous strength and eve-hand coordination.

But for Petersen, playing with what some might see as a limitation is just another day on the field

"I just don't even think about it." he said. "That's how it's always been."

Petersen traces his matter-of-fact attitude to his parents, who never tried to steer him away from an interest in sports.

treated me and my little brother and sister all the same. There was no difference," he said. "I wanted to play sports so I got to play sports.'

After playing hockey, basketball, football, and bowling as a child, he channeled Like most college athletes, Clarkston his energies into lacrosse in high school.

"Once I got to high school, I realized lacrosse was definitely my favorite sport and the one I wanted to put the most work into.

I kind of stopped playing just tried to focus on lacrosse," he said.

After high school, on a club team at Oakland University. He went to visit a friend who was playing lacrosse at a small college in North Carolina called Mars Hill.

"I really liked the area, and then I found out that Mars Hill had my major. so I decided to transfer." he said.

To improve his skills. Petersen spent the sum-

mer in Ontario playing Canadian "box" lacrosse with a traveling team. Then, in the fall he came to Mars Hill as a junior graphic design major and a walk-on member of the lacrosse team.

Petersen

Aside from his classes and practice, he said he has had little time for other clubs or interests on campus

"He does a good job," said MHC lacrosse "When it came to sports, my parents coach Dave Klarmann. "He works hard and he doesn't hold back. He can't do everything some other attack players can do. But then, lacrosse is a game where you can minimize your weaknesses and maximize your

strengths and Bobby is good at that." According to Klarmann, Petersen is "just

one of the guys," to the other players. "The nice thing is the guys pull for him,

but they don't cut him any slack," he said. "If he stands there with the ball in front of

the cage, they're going to nail him. But when he scores, you can also tell that there's a little extra pride there throughout the team.

Petersen will admit he is not one of the standouts with the Lions, but he is a team player who is proud of his association with the team

"We're a pretty darn good team. We have a lot of talent," he said. "I don't play a whole lot here, but I try to take my opportunities when they do put me in '

As a relative newbie to the south, Petersen is still adjusting to North Carolina's version

of winter (which, according to him, is hardly like winter at all) and to a southern culture that does not revere lacrosse nearly as much as Clarkston. He is glad he made the move that would allow him to spend more time with the sport he loves.

"I would just say that if you want to do something, do it," Petersen said. "I think you find a way to work around problems. They're just setbacks; they're not roadblocks.'

Buckner is Media Relations Coordinator for Mars Hill College, located in North Carolina.



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Barbara A. Fortin, 74

Barbara A. Fortin of Arizona passed away March 6, 2013, at age 74.

She was the wife of Ronald: mother of Terri (Michael) Williams and Todd Fortin; preceded in death by her son Rick and sister Delores Lewis: sister of Donna (Llovd) Fahr: grandmother of eight and great grandmother ofnine



Barbara was an insurance agent and enjoyed playing cards and spending time with family and friends.

Funeral service, Friday, 12:30 p.m., at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Thursday, 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Frederick Hammond, 97

Frederick Duane Hammond of Waterford passed away March 11, 2013, at age 97.

He was the husband of Susan; father of Barbara Jean (Joseph) Delisi and Michael Duane (Mary Jo) Hammond; grandfather of Michelle (Matthew) Mueller; great grandfather of Calley Mueller; brother of Barbara Simmons and Dale Hammond.

Duane served in the U.S. Army during World War II and retired from the Grand Trunk Railroad.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Donations may be made to Guardian Angel Online guestbook Hospice. www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Obituaries &

Marilyn J. Hanson

Marilyn J. Hanson of Clarkston passed away March 14, 2013, at age 85.

She was preceded in death by her husband Paul. She was the mother of Polly Hanson Remke.

Marilvn retired from Clarkston High School in 1986 after 32 years as

a teacher and guidance counselor. She enjoyed reading, antiques, knitting and friendships. Memorial visitation was March 18 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Inurnment Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Friends of the Independence Township Library. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Sandra S. Krueger, 65

Sandra Sue Krueger of Clarkston died March 17, 2013. She was 65, born June 11, 1947, in Saginaw, Mich., to Howard and Mavis (nee: Donnenworth) Strieter. She is survived by her loving husband, William Krueger; one son, Jay (Julie) Krueger; two daughters, Tracy (Jason) Lipasek and Jody (Aaron) Grauert; five grandchildren, Luke Krueger, Lance and Lincoln Lipasek, Zachary and Benjamin Grauert; her mother, Mavis Strieter; one brother, Gary Strieter; one sister, Patrice (Ed) Becker.

Memorial service will be 11 a.m., Thursday, March 21, at Peace Lutheran

Church, 7390 Elizabeth Lake Road, Waterford. Family will receive friends on Wednesday for a memorial gathering from 4-9 p.m. at Coats Funeral Home-Clarkston, 8909 Dixie Highway. Memorial contributions may be made to Leader Dogs for the Blind. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. To send a private or public condolence go to www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/Obituaries. Michael Hayden Jr., 84

Michael Joseph Hayden Jr. of Davisburg passed away March 13, 2013, at age 84. He was preceded in death by his wife

Irene and son

Kenneth. He was the loving father of Karen (Craig) Hill, Michael J. Hayden III, Theresa Heimgartner and Raymond Hayden; proud grandfather of Eric (Carly) Hill, Stephen Hill, Tiffany Hayden, Raymond Hayden,

Sheri Hayden and Uma Heimgartner; great grandfather of Josephine Irene and Samantha Dale; dear brother of Elaine (Santos) DeMaggio.

Mick retired from General Motors.

Rosarv Service was March 15 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, Funeral Mass was March 16 at St. Rita Catholic Church, Holly. Rite of Committal Ottawa Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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Maxine E. Mitchell of Orion, formerly of Lapeer, passed away March 11, 2013.

She was preceded in death by her husband Mark, step

son Mark Jr. and step daughter Marjorie. She was the mother of Gerald (Patricia) Mitchell. Elaine (Daniel) Bright, Mary Titus, Gary (Sherrie) Mitchell, Michael (Dawn) Mitchell, Laura (David) Mosier and



Patrick Mitchell; also survived by many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Funeral Service was March 15 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Private interment Woodlawn Cemetery, Columbiaville. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Carol Ann Pepper, 64

Carol Ann Pepper of Alma, formerly of Pigeon, passed away

March 18, 2013, at age 64 She was the mother of

Charles (Julie) Pepper and Jennifer (James) Stewart; grandmother of Jordan Stewart, Tyler and Brvce Pepper; daughter of Charles and the late Mildred Broadway: sister of Frances Young and Charlene (Steve) Williams.



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





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From left are Andersonville Elementary Principal Bruce Martin, student citizen award winner Anna Mansour, teacher Tresa Reneaud, and Clarkston Optimist Dave Johnson. Photo by Phil Custodio

Mansour honored by optimists

Clarkston Area Optimist Club honored Andersonville Elementary student Anna Mansour with the Optimist Student Citizen of the Month award for March.

"She's one of the top kids at Andersonville," said Principal Bruce Martin, "Her humility, kindness, caring for others make her stand out - she's the epitome of the Optimist Creed."

"She's one of the hardest working students I have ever had - she's a positive force for our school," said Tresa Reneaud, physical education teacher who nominated her for the award.

Mansour goes above and beyond what is required of a student, volunteering during recess to help run yoga sessions for younger students and helping out whenever needed

"She's the perfect candidate to receive this award." Reneaud said. "I know I will hear amazing things about Anna in the future."

Mansour attended the March 13 Optimist meeting with her parents, Jo Elena and Matt



Sara "Think it's amazing, such an honor,"

Anna said. "I'm so honored and humbled, I think

she's pretty great," said Jo Elena. - Phil Custodio



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From left, Claire Kirchner, Payton McCracken and Kristen McKracken bring in a box of donations.





Michael Vangilder, left, and Michael Kirchner carry donations.

From left in back row, Michael Vangilder, Michael Kirchner, Bryce Donahue, Mitchell Hynes, Andrew Roeser, and Ben Sanderson; and in front, Brandon Donahue, Payton McCracken, Claire Kirchner, Nathan Donahue and Ella Hynes helped collect hundreds of PB&J donations for Lighthouse. *Photos by Phil Custodio*

Students spread the love for Lighthouse

Independence and Andersonville elementary students helped "Spread the Love" with a Valentine's Day and peanut-butter-and-jelly themed food drive.

Students collected 129 jars at Independence Elementary and 100 at Andersonville Elementary throughout February.

"I was incredibly proud of the kids and their accomplishment and sense of pride from a very successful PB&J food drive," said parent volunteer Beth Kirchner. "I really hope this will get bigger and better next year."

Second graders in Jodee Blaszkowski's class came up with the project as a community service to help stock Lighthouse North's food pantry shelves, then delivered the donations last week.

Lighthouse Emergency Services helps about 700 families a month with emergency food supplies at its Clarkston and Pontiac locations.

"I'm happy you folks were able to help us help them," said Connie Stapleton, manager of Lighthouse on Sashabaw Road in Independence Township. "When everyone puts in some, it becomes a lot." ~*Phil Custodio*



CNews People Poll March 20, 2013

Detroit Tigers' first game is April 1. Clarkston Varsity Baseball players share their * thoughts on...

How will theTigers do this year?

"(Justin) Verlander and (Doug) Fister will come out strong and get a lot of wins



Jacob O'Berry

"(Miguel) Cabera will keep his big year going. Offense will be better

with Torii Hunter and Victor Martinez coming back. - Weston Sieloff

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By Wendi Reardon





Christopher Field reads to first graders.

Reading guests

March is National Reading Month and Springfield Plains Elementary celebrated by giving their students a treat last Friday.

While sitting quietly on the floor, they listened to books read by guest readers who visited their classrooms. From stories about curiosity to snowflake photography, the young learners listened attentively as each tale was told.

Children could be heard from the hallway applauding as the newcomer to their classroom finished with, "the end."

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Guest reader Rachel Raddatz reads a book titled Courage to third graders.



Guest reader Liz Porter reads to a third grade class. Photos by Mary Keck



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Events

Mind Body Green Expo, 3-7 p.m., March 20, Deer Lake Athletic Club. Presentations, classes, speakers, exhibitors on healthy living, wellness, fitness, etc. Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 1248-625-8055.

Akropolis Reed Quintet in concert, 7 p.m., March 21. Clarkston High School 6093 Flemings Lake Road. www.akropolisquintet. com.

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Easter Egg Hunt, 3 p.m., March 23, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Easter Bunny, crafts, snacks. 248-625-1611.

Carrick House Concert, 7 p.m., March 23, with Wayward Roots, acoustic bluegrass, along with The Hackwells and special guest Olivia Millerschin. \$15 donation. 248 394-0113.

Kids Against Hunger, 10-11 a.m., March 23, Clarkston High School. \$10/individual, \$25/ family. Prepare food for hundreds of thousands of people in need. Email ldonley@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Community visit, Pine Knob Elementary, 6020 Sashabaw Road, 9-11 a.m., March 26. Demonstrations, questions-and-answers on Cultures of Thinking in the classroom. RSVP, hsmcclain@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

 Family Game Day, 1-5 p.m., March 30, Clarkston High School. Open to all ages as part of International Table Top Day. Games and cards are available to use or bring your own. Volunteers will be on hand to help setup and teach games.

Chocolate Celebration Night, Friends of the Library, 6:30 p.m., April 9, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Chocolate Challenge contest with Chef Joan Donnay of Essence on Main. cgrubba@comcast.net.

Youth Recognition Program, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, 7 p.m., April 24, Clarkston United Methodist Church. The Clarkston High School group Detroit Voice will entertain. 248-623-4313.

50th Reunion, Pontiac Northern Class of 1963, Sept. 27, Fountains Banquet, 6060 Maybee Road. Call Penny, 248-328-1217. 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 im-



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

proving 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, 5:45p.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.

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, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road. \$3. Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4.

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. ***

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Independents for Responsible Government, 6:30 p.m., March 13. Guest speaker: Dave Agema, Republican National Committee. Fountains Golf and Banquet Center, 6060 Maybee Road. www.l4RG.com.

North Oakland Wild Ones, Wednesday, April 3, 7:30 p.m., St. Daniel Church Cushing Center, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Deb Jackson, Brittany Bird, and Heather Huffstutler present All About Monarchs: Tagging, Way Stations, Plants/Flowers and School Involvement. Free. Register, annebushroe@hotmail. com.

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 by not required. \$40, through April, trherh7966@comcast.net. 248-625-3881.

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

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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.

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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.

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

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50+ Spanish Lessons, Saturdays, 9-10 a.m., Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. \$60/members, \$65/non-members. 248-625-8231.

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Kid's Camp Yoga, Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Hot Yoga, 5678 Sashabaw Road. \$7, for ages 5-10.248-620-7101.

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

Volunteer opportunities

Avalon Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, personal care, or just be there. 800-664-6334; McLaren Hospice, not-for-profit, companionship-type to visit and provide emotional support for patients living with terminal illness, 248-320-0106.



Holy Week chance to realize truth

They came back with the ass, the colt that he had asked for. They placed their coats on the animal's back for him to sit on.

Not only did this make his ride more comfortable, they were tokens of honor toward a man who was a great teacher, a rabbi, their leader, a prophet, the Messiah or Christos: the anointed one who would lead them into the new kingdom, the King of the Jews.

The crowds who were walking up the hill into the city for the Passover recognized the prophesied sign of the coming Messiah: a holy man riding on an ass, the colt of an ass.

Maybe some of them had followed him into the wilderness and remembered his promised blessings to the poor in spirit, to those who mourn and to the meek or maybe they had

been witness to the miracles. Believing that now was the time that the

promises would be realized some began to lay their coats on the ground to honor him. Others cut branches off the palm trees and laid them on the road saying, "Save us, Son of David."

Few truly understood the holy mission of this Christed one. Most were expecting a warrior king who would call upon the angels to smite those who persecuted them, the Romans

Among these was Judas Iscariot, who was a Zealot, who was prepared to fight for his freedom and the freedom of Israel. These literal minded fundamentalists were greatly disappointed when their Messiah was arrested, imprisoned and crucified as a common criminal.

Judas was so distraught that he took his own life. He had been so excited and nervous when his Master had called upon him to bring the soldiers to him.

He knew in his heart that this was the moment when the Master would reveal himself as the Messianic Warrior King and the angelic host would arise in his defense; the final battle with the forces of evil would be fought and won now.

Most of the soldiers were nervous and afraid when they approached that hill and the garden where he had come to pray with his disciples. They were expecting a fight, falling to the ground when he revealed himself to them; they were ducking for cover for the ensuing battle. And there was no battle, at least not in the outer.

Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Lent and Easter, are all reminders for me to put myself in God's hands. Symbolically and literally; I let go of my preconceived notions of how things should be; I give up my limited experience and understanding of what is really going on: I surrender my selfish, self-centered, egotistical wants and wishes, and let God be God in me.

I can literally place myself in the hands of Good Orderly Direction and pray, "Thy will, not my will, Thy will be done!"

Many learned, righteous and holy men and women, good people, may choose to take offense at my defense of Judas and at my dismissal of the traditional message about Jesus, the "Jesus died for our sins" philosophy.

However true this may be, in my mind it pales in significance to the fact that Jesus lived so that we may live life abundantly. His death and resurrection, the miracles, were all acts that were necessary so that we may hear his words, his message of Heaven in our midst, the Kingdom that is within you, that God is our Father and we are God's children in whom God is well pleased.

This is the message of Jesus, the message that he wanted us to hear.

Whenever and wherever you are reading this; today is a holy day, the place where you are standing is holy ground, and right now you have the opportunity to be in Heaven.

A wise man once asked me if I would rather be right or happy. I responded that I would rather be right and happy. That shows you how much I know.

Sometimes we have to give up the good for the gooder: not proper English, but proper thinking. Sometimes we have to give up knowing the relative truth in order to know the Absolute Truth of God's presence and power active in our life and affairs. Sometimes we have to lose everything in order to gain everything that is worthwhile. Or, it may have been just a man riding a donkey.

Blessings of peace, joy & love, The Rev. Matthew E. Long is senior min-

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To vote, go to vote.livestrong.org/ regions/5/149-Swan-for-Life-Cancer-

Sorority introductions

Sigma Beta Sorority, PSI Chapter, hosted a Luncheon and Card Party on Sunday, March 10, at the Clarkston home of Louise Bisogni.

The purpose of the social event was to introduce potential new members to the sorority's principles of charity and friendship.

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1) FRONT YARD PLACEMENT VARIANCE

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE RE-QUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Town-ship Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hear ing. For Further Information call (248) 625-8111

Respectfully submitted Barbara A Pallotta Clerk

The Township will provide the necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at a public hearing/meeting upon advance notice in writing or by calling the Township Building Department (248) 625-

Grants for residents

Clarkston City Council voted, March 11, to provide about \$5,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to residents for minor home repairs. Residents must live in the city and qualify based on income. Call 248-625-1559.

Land conservancy welcomes new director

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer In some circles she is known as "the tree lady," but for the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy (NOHLC) Marie Donigan is called executive director.

Since 1972, the NOHLC's efforts have led to the preservation of 55 properties covering 1,426 acres of land, but Donigan says the non-profit isn't finished vet. They've set their sights on a 10,000-acre challenge to identify more properties for preservation.

To pinpoint and maintain so many acres, the NOHLC will hold workdays on the weekend where volunteers will inspect properties. Inspector training is planned for Saturday, March 23 at 10 a.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center.

"Bring the family; it will be a familyfriendly event," said Donigan. "The more inspectors we have, the better work we can do.

Volunteers will inspect land the NOHLC has placed under easements, which keeps the property protected in perpetuity. The acres are conserved by working "with local governments and other partners to preserve high-value property," Donigan explained.

The value of the property is determined based on features like water bodies and native plant species as well as its location in



Marie Donigan is the new executive director of North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy. Photo by Mary Keck

relation to other presearved lands.

In addition to inspector training, the NOHLC has ambitious goals for 2013. They intend to grow the organization, involve people outside of Oakland County, work toward conserving more land, and raise more funds, Donigan said.

In the meantime, she intends to hike out

and take a closer look at all 55 properties once the weather warms up. "I can't wait to get my boots back out," Donigan added with a smile.

Find out more on www.nohlc.org and watch an interview with the new executive director on "Seeing Green" at ClarkstonTV.com.

Selection set for March 25

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picked were the best candidates based on what we were looking for overall."

In particular, Luginski said the council was seeking someone interested in historic preservation with budgeting experience, leadership qualities, and organizational skills.

"Our biggest concern is just making-"~ sure we get the right person with the best qualifications and characteristics of what we're looking for to be the City Manager," Luginski said.

"It's a critical position," he explained. "They run the city's day-to-day business, and they are the face of the city to both residents and visitors."

Because Eberhardt is also a member of the city council, she recused herself from selecting applicants, voting, and discussing the candidates' qualifications.

The City Council will vote on their choice for city manager at the March 25 meeting.

The candidate who accepts the position will begin working in mid-April once background and reference checks are complete.



ART FOR SENIORS: Springfield Plains Elementary kindergartens present pieces of art they made for residents at Autumn Ridge Senior Center, March 12. "The students felt so proud sharing their art with others and the seniors loved watching the children hanging up their art work throughout the Autumn Ridge community," said Adrian Lonteen, parent volunteer. Photo provided



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James and Caylan

Cook-Healy

Caylan Grace Cook and James Harris Healy will be married on July 13 at the Buell Estate at Addison Oaks.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Cook of Clarkston, and she is a graduate of Clarkston High School and Michigan State University. She is a teacher at Rochester High School and completing a masters in counseling at Oakland University.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Healy of Beverly Hills, and is a graduate of Brother Rice High School and Michigan State University. He is a producer at ePrize.

The couple will reside at their home in • Beverly Hills.

Student award

Clarkston High School senior Lindsey Schenten was awarded a Scholarship by the Michigan Mosquito Control Association at

their annual meeting, Feb. 6 in Bay City.



Schenten was awarded the scholarship for her second place finish in the association's annual McKenley-Farrell essay competition.

Theme for this year's contest was insecticide resistance in mosquitoes and the potential effects on the

spread of malaria.

After graduation in the spring, she plans to attend Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan and major in Biological Science focusing on molecular biology or genetic research.



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Auburn Hills Eye Care offers the best care, technology and fashion for their patients

Few businesses can offer the combinations of more than 60 years of service, a beautiful office with state of the art technology, and a warm, caring staff. Auburn Hills Eye Care is that extraordinary rare enterprise. Formerly known as Pontiac Eye Clinic, Auburn Hills Eye Care relocated to their current location on Baldwin road across from Great Lakes mall in 2008

What makes them unique is that they are a family owned practice that was started by Drs. Max Gottesman, and Michael Weishaus, and were later joined by their two sons, Drs. Lorne Gottesman, and Randall Weishaus. Dr. Jeff Schrauben was added to the team five years ago and has become a beloved member of the staff. Drs. Gottesman, Weishaus, and Schrauben provide comprehensive eye examinations using the latest technology in eve care. Their lab uses the most upto-date technology in spectacle lenses, including new high definition, digital lenses that give the clearest vision possible. The friendly staff at Auburn Hills Eye Care

In addition to their Auburn Hills location they have three other practices located in Bloomfield Hills, Downtown Rochester, and Detroit. Auburn Hills Eye Care is located at 4151 Baldwin Road, across from Great Lakes Crossing Mall. It is a new and spacious facility that offers a warm atmosphere with the latest and greatest in fashion, and the newest technologies that help all their patients look and see their best.

"Our caring, loyal staff is the same year after year, some of whom have been with us for over 25 years. I believe what sets us apart most is our highly trained staff. They are knowledgeable in fit, color, sizing, and fashion. They develop a clientele who return again and again and ask for them by name because they had such a great experience with the



glasses they bought the last time," says Dr. Gottesman.

To assure they always have the latest in fashion eye wear Drs. Gottesman and Weishaus send their buyers to New York every year to learn about and purchase the latest in eye wear trends. "Patients often share with us how much they love their new glasses, and how they are constantly complimented about how great they look," says Dr. Weishaus.

Drs. Gottesman and Weishaus specialize in hard to fit contact lenses, and believe with the right Optometrist most people can be fit successfully. They fit children as young as 8 or 9 for sports and to improve their self-image. Their contact lens technicians take the time to teach them insertion and removal no matter how many visits it might take. "With today's technology in contact lenses we have access to multifocal contact lenses, toric lenses for astigmatism, and many specialty lenses for different corneal diseases," says Dr. Gottesman

Auburn Hills Eye Care strongly believes in giving back to the community, and has been involved in great programs such as their Think Pink campaign which helps to raise money and awareness for breast cancer research.

They accept nearly all insurances, including Medicare, and have become among the best in their field at diagnosing and treating eye disease, which includes caring for those with diabetes. "Diabetes is one of the leading causes of blindness in this country. We see a very large number of diabetics and play an important role in helping them maintain good vision and overall health for their entire lives.

Following these visits a full diabetic report is always sent to their primary care physicians," says Dr. Gottesman. Auburn Hills Eye Care's patients range from ages two to

the very elderly. Many of whom are the third generation of their families to become patients here. There can be no better endorsement than from a patient who also trusts their children's and grand children's eyes to the doctors and staff at Auburn Hills Eye Care.

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Part of being the best in the business is doing things right and doing them on time. "The roofing materials arrived when they were promised. The workers arrived a day later and almost immediately I knew I had made the correct decision," said David T. "No delays. No problems. Both roofs were completed the same day by the same crew-an outstanding job, and they treated my father-in-law with great respect," said Forrest T.



As these testimonials indicate, much of Lake Orion Roofing's clientele comes to them because of a neighbor's good report. Here's Joe S: "They were more tuned into solving my problems than stopping by to sell a roof like the others," he said. Arne W. said, "we have already received three positive comments from our neighbors on job quality and workmanship. Your workers put in three long hard days and were quite impressive. 1st rate job!"

That neighbor's good report always includes the unhurried education Lake Orion Roofing imparts to each and every prospective customer. This is one reason why Robert B. said, your presentation and system blew me away. I have had several experiences with building trades professionals in the past and have never seen a presentation such as yours.

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Robert is referring to a detailed 13-page quote and project binder Lake Orion Roofing presents each prospective customer. The binder is replete with satellite images, photos of the roofing and decking, licensure affirmation, material options, and pricing possibilities.

Lake Orion Roofing does this because they know that a happy customer is one who understands what their home needs and what will be involved in a home improvement project. "Start to finish, the easiest decision you will ever make," said Lake Orion Roofing owner Mark Southern.

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Bank's Vacuum is a Id leader in products and service

There is now only one place to go in Lake Orion for all of your vacuum needs.

Bank's Vacuum has merged with Vacuum Works and has

become another part of the Bank's Vacuum Superstore enterprise. The new store is at 4549 S. Lapeer Road, in Lake Orion

But this is no ordinary vacuum store. It may be the best and most complete vacuum store in the world. This is where everyone from serious cleaning fanatics to those who need parts and advice come for their vacuum needs.

Bank's boasts of being the World's Largest Vacuum Dealer with nine vacuum superstores selling more vacuum cleaners and floor care products than any other dealer nationwide-including the big box stores.

"If you can't find it in our stores or on our website, it simply doesn't exist," said owner Ken Bank.

Bank's Vacuum Superstores stocks every brand of new vacuum on the market-literally over 300 new vacuums in each of their stores. Bank proudly states, "With our factory trained staff of vacuum experts helping along the way, our customers can try and compare every vacuum on the market side by side to help make the purchase decision easier.

Most of our competitors carry only one or two lines of vacuums and of course they claim these are the best in the business. We're truly independent because we carry every brand - we simply help our customers make their own decision by pointing out both the positive and negative features."

The company is not new to the vacuum business. Bank's

grandfather Herman Bank started in 1956 in Dearborn. He used to travel door-to-door with hopes to pick-up, repair and return to his customers their vacuums.

"We still don't mind traveling to our customer's homes to help them with their vacuums" says Bank. "We've always tried to exceed our customer's service expectations."

In addition to the original Dearborn and Lake Orion locations, there are Bank's Vacuum Superstores at the corporate headquarters in Livonia-Other locations are in Plymouth, Novi, Grosse Pointe Woods, Shelby Township, Troy and Warren.

Third generation vacuum-expert Ken Jr. re-opened in Lake Orion three years ago after closing his father's

Lake Orion business, Ken's Vacuum, in 1994.

"Ken's" was later sold to a new owner who sold two more times and was operating under the name Vacuum Works before it was brought under the Bank's Vacuum banner.

The companies merged staffs and, with the newer location, Bank said his store is the best in the business.

"We've had some great years in Lake Orion and now that we have merged, we are confident we are even better. This is a bigger store and a better location," Bank said. "We make sure we are better than anyone else."

They are the community's only "factory-authorized" repair facility and are factory trained to repair virtually every brand of vacuum cleaner. They even fix Sears/Kenmore, Kirby, Rainbow and other door-to-door brands.

"The manufacturers refer customers to us to perform their service and warranty repairs because they know we know what we are doing and because we stock the country's largest inventory of replacement parts including bags, belts, filters and industry related accessories," he said. "We're also completely computerized so if our store or local warehouse does not have it and we need to special order an odd part we can usually have it within one or two days.'

Once in Bank's showrooms, customers can expect far better, more patient and personal service than they would anywhere else. Bank trains the staff himself. "We're all fully-trained technicians and vacuum cleaner experts," he said. "We're not like the clerks at the big-box stores who just point at the box."

Bank's has also been known to toss in a few extra bags and assemble the vacuum free of charge in an effort to differentiate from the less personal big box stores. They are also an environmentally conscious company. When any vacuum dies, Bank's encourages "trade-ins" or "recyclings" so he can process any recyclable parts. Bank believes there are enough dead vacuum cleaners in landfills.

Finding vacuum cleaners, replacement parts and accessories is also easy and only a click away. "We have the best vacuum cleaner web site on the internet," Bank said. "I hope to continue the company's tradition of personal service and quality by continuing the intense employee training and commitment to detail."

Bank is excited by the future. "Even in this economy, we're a growing company looking for hard working employees that want to grow and expand with us," he said.

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"Genisys Credit Union puts our members first, as evidenced by our 96 percent member satisfaction rating. We offer products and services to meet everyone's financial needs," Buchanan said. "The number of members we have is growing daily and loan growth is reaching a record high."

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"It is wonderful to have received so much support from the community over the years," said Dr. Charles F. Munk. "We have been so honored to be voted Best of the Best in both Clarkston and Oxford."

Our office enjoys supporting local programs such as SCAMP, Lighthouse, Festival of Fun & Fireworks, youth sports teams, and many others.

We are also proud to once again this year be part of the Clarkston Health Care Professionals college scholarship program. This is a very rewarding opportunity to assist a local high school student achieve their dream of becoming a health care professional.

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Although they have expanded and strengthened their operations, Smith's Disposal continues to offer the same great service.

Smith's hauls household garbage and has a weekly curbside recycling service for paper, plastics, and glass. They'll assist you in disposing of large items and compost. Their staff is proud of the friendly and helpful hand they reach out to customers.

Their haulers are often ready with dog

treats for customers' pets. They regularly take trash cans back up to seniors' houses, and they offer a discount to senior citizens.

Smith's Disposal believes very strongly that their customers are more like neighbors, and their satisfaction is the driving force behind everything they do.

Another thing that's always been very important to Smith's Disposal is community support. Smith's believes in serving their neighbors.

Every year the family-owned company donates thousands of dollars to worthwhile causes such as Relay for Life, Lighthouse of Oakland County, SCAMP, Rainbow Connection, Waterford Coalition for Youth and Open Door Outreach Center.

They also support community events including Parks and Recreation programs, youth baseball, Tons of Trucks, and several local parades and festivals.

Smith's feels all these programs are important to the community, and they are proud to help out in any way they can.

With such a commitment to community and customers, it's no wonder Smith's has been able to serve their neighbors since 1981.

Smith's Disposal is located at 941 White Lake Road in Clarkston. They are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 248-625-5470 to find out more about their service or visit www.smithsdisposal.net.



From left are Damien Evans, owner Carol Evans and Archie Munson.

Michigan Web Press: Committed to quality printing

Michigan Web Press has been "delivering the news" for more than 30 years.

The commercial web-offset printing company prints for more than 200 different daily, weekly and monthly newspapers and periodicals from throughout Michigan, Ohio and Indiana.

Located at 10450 Enterprise Dr. in Davisburg, the printing company's clients include The County Press, View Newspapers, C&G Newspapers, The Monroe Evening News, The (MSU) State News, and The (U-M) Michigan Daily.

One of the company's main strengths has been steadily upgrading their equipment and capabilities, including the installation of a state-ofart Goss Magnum web printing press.

The Magnum press can produce a 48-page full color newspaper at 40,000 copies per hour.

In addition to printing, the company also performs preprint inserting, bindery services and direct mail fulfillment.

While the newspaper business has undergone significant change in recent years, Michigan Web Press' clients have perse-



Cecil Batchelor, Plant Manager at Michigan Web Press, adjusts the controls of the company's state-of-the-art Goss Magnum printing press.

vered.

Todd Hagerman, the company's general manager, explains, "Regardless of what the pundits say, community newspapers and

niche publications of the kind we produce for our clients are not going away any time soon. Our industry is seeing more of these types of publications created each year." The company prides itself on high-quality printing and exceptional customer service.

Hagerman talks about Michigan Web Press' customer focus: "Our responsibility to our customers is two-fold. First, we must stay on top of printing technology to deliver the best printed product at the lowest cost to our customers.

"Secondly, we must make sure we understand our customers' changing needs and show them how to utilize the technology to their greatest benefit."

Michigan Web Press has a staff of about 50 employees and operates 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week to give their customers the fastest turnaround times.

Hagerman is proud of the company's track record when it comes to meeting customers' deadlines.

"We rarely miss a delivery deadline. We understand the importance of getting the printed news delivered to our customers' readers on time and we do whatever it takes to make that happen every single day."

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CSB is financial engine

"The biggest service we offer as a community bank is our customer relationships," said Grant Smith, President and CEO of Clarkston State Bank (CSB). "We take pride in getting to know both our consumer and business and customers thev appreciate the interest we take as well as the service we provide."

Unlike larger banks, CSB customers have easy access to staff at all levels of the Bank, which results in quicker resolution to problems and faster turnaround on decisions.

As Smith points out, when vou bank with CSB, you're "dealing with local people who live and work in your community and appreciate its uniqueness." If you want to feel right at home, Clarkston State Bank offers the services you need with a personal touch.



"We're all in this together,"

said Smith of the staff at CSB. "Just like many of the local businesses, we faced challenges over the past couple of years and chose to stay true to our vision. Our goal was to stand by the community and we have a genuine appreciation for them standing by us.'

One reason for the family atmosphere you'll experience during a visit to one of Clarkston State Bank's branches is their passionate employees. "It's not just a job to them," Smith added.

The CSB staff not only loves coming to work, but they are also proud of their accomplishments, and it shows when people walk through the door.

In addition, "we try our best to reinvest back into the community," said Smith. Clarkston State Bank supplies box lunches purchased from Rudy's Market to officials helping out at polling places on Election Day.

They also aid organizations like Christmas in Action, Clarkston SCAMP, Lighthouse, Clarkston Coalition for Youth, and all the local Chamber of Commerce offices.

It's CSB's dedication to customers and community that sets it apart.

Despite the challenging economic times, Clarkston State Bank didn't receive any assistance from the government, yet they are the only community bank left in North Oakland County, Smith explained.

Recognizing their role as a financial engine in the area, CSB continued lending and emerged from the economic recession smarter and more disciplined. In fact, CSB was recently featured in Crain's because their resurrection serves as a model for other

Clarkston State Bank President and CEO Grant Smith.

financial institutions.

Today, they are still open for business and looking to grow. From opening a checking or savings account to acquiring a loan to help start up your small business, CSB will aid you in managing your money and reaching your financial goals.

For customers who like convenience, log on to Clarkston State Bank's on-line banking at www.clarkstonstatebank.com or visit one of their many ATMs to check your balance or withdraw cash. Use CSB online to view electronic statements, transfer your money from one account to another, or download features that will strengthen your ability to manage your finances.

Businesses banking with Clarkston State Bank utilize their cash management product which allows the ability for the small business owner to complete wire transfers, process payroll, and collect payments from clients all with the click of a mouse.

While CSB already has much to offer, we continue to expand our products and enhance our delivery systems, Smith said. Clarkston State Bank has been visiting with their business customers to find out how CSB can better serve them. Seeking feedback in such a way shows CSB's interest in offering the best service to their business partners.

Find out more about Clarkston State Bank by visiting any one of their four branches. All the branch locations provide banking Monday - Saturday. For more information, find CSB on Facebook or contact one of their convenient locations.

Metropolitan Tree Inc., full time, personal, professional service

While other tree companies have come and gone-Metropolitan Tree Inc. has continued to serve the area for more than 46 years.

In addition to the office in Ortonville-Metropolitan Tree also has locations in both Clarkston and Detroit.

"We have worked all over Michigan," said Ron Pepera, owner and community member since 1960.

Metropolitan Tree and their employees take pride in the work they do and go out of their way to protect your property, surrounding trees and landscape while removing trees and stumps.

Metropolitan Tree has all the skilled man power, climbers, cranes, aerial lift organizations. trucks, chippers, stump grinders, heavy brush mowers and equipment to remove large and hazardous trees and stumps. From small jobs to land clearing, residential and commercial.

Metropolitan Tree takes pride in providing personal service to all their customers.

Robert Gillon are on the job site to supervise all jobs

"We are fully insured so that our cus-



Metropolitan Tree open year round stands out from other tree companies demonstrated by the high ratings and awards received from various

tomers can be assured they will not be liable for injuries or damages."

When you call during regular business hours you will talk to a person, not a machine. Bonnie will answer and she can schedule appointments and make special arrangements for your tree work.

Whether trees pose a danger, become Experienced managers Pepera or diseased or are damaged after a stormthe professionals at Metropolitan Tree are ready to help.

Pepera reminds customers that liabil-

ity and workman's compensation insurance is needed prior to tree cutting or you will be liable for injuries or damages.

In addition to qualified removal and disposal of diseased or infested trees, Metropolitan Tree also does contract work for counties, local municipalities, building contractors, commercial and residential customers.

During the past years, millions of area trees have become infested with a variety of diseases from Dutch Elm disease to

Emerald Ash Borer and recently the Sawyer beetles that feed on the bark of twigs of susceptible live pine trees.

"While the tree may be standing-the roots rot first underground. If a tree is dead for three years or more it's ready to go over," said Pepera.

"We understand that economically it's tough right now," said Pepera. "We can work with you to set up special conditions for payment. It's much easier to deal with a standing tree now rather than a tree that has fallen on your home."

Customers should feel confident with Metropolitan Tree and it shows by the great number of referrals from our satisfied customers. Thank you to all the previous and current customers that have used our service over the years-we appreciate your business. We are honored to help enhance your property values and keep the community safe from hazardous trees.

Metropolitan Tree, 1090 Croup Road, Ortonville. Phone 248-627-6316 or toll-free 800-753-1633.

Normal office hours, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., but customers can call as early as 7 a.m. or as late as 9 p.m. if necessary or anytime emergency service if needed.



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Brandon, where opportunity and a superior education awaits

Exciting educational opportunities await your child in the Brandon School District.

The district is a leader in academics with a staff that is dedicated to providing students with new, exciting, innovative ways to learn.

Brandon School District focuses on student success, recognizing that students are individuals and learn in their own way and their own time. Teachers and support staff foster that learning in a variety of ways, offering advanced placement classes, online education, a spectacular Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Academy, robotics, broadcasting and more.

Every student receives the support they need to be successful and right from the start, with Reading Recovery offered in the K-3 buildings, as well as after-school tutoring in various subjects at all grade levels, as well as summer school.

Brandon is at the cutting edge with technology, with a strong belief that all students must be technologically advanced to become citizens of the future. All buildings have interactive electronic boards in every room. In all buildings, iPads, laptop carts, interactive white boards and document cameras are available for student and teacher use.

Brandon also offers a full array of athletic opportunities, with sports including baseball, basketball, bowling, cheerleading (6-time league champions in competitive cheer), cross country, football, golf, hockey, pom pon, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track, volleyball and wresling.



Another source of pride for the district is their superior visual art and music programs. Brandon excels in this area, with vocal and instrumental music instruction available in all grades and with an enormous track record of success in competition. In vocal music, with 23 qualifications in MSVMA State Solo and Ensemble, with four events receving superior ratings and Division I and Division II ratings for 19 events.

Marching band, concert and orchestra are all offered at Brandon High School and The Brandon Middle School Band also participates in state level competition.

BHS produces one musical and one dramatic play every

school year, to much acclaim and the delight of audiences, with many other performances occurring throughout the year.

The Brandon visual arts program is second to none, with student artists encouraged to express their creativity under the expert tutelage of teachers who go the extra mile, entering their talented pupils into the prestigious Scholastic Art Awards, and the Michigan Art Education Association's Young @ Art Show. Brandon students have received numerous honors in these shows over the years, even going on to national competition, with dedication and encouragement from their teachers. In 2013, several students also received scholarships in recognition of their incredible work.

"The caliber of our arts programs exceeds most districts," said Brandon Superintendent Lorrie McMahon. "When talking with elementary parents, they told me that continuing support of the arts is one of their top priorities, so it has become a top priority for me and the school board. When students are involved in such a highly acclaimed arts program, they are better in their core academics, they are more engaged in their school experience and their overall education is vastly enhanced. We support the arts program because we believe in our students and their success. We will continue to support the arts program because it has such a strong impact on our students' success and future success."

Come to Brandon, where opportunity and a superior education awaits.

Details: 248-627-1800.

At the Forefront of Educational Excellence Brandon School District March 22 to August 23: Schools of C



- Safe and supportive schools in an excellent academic environment
- Master teachers who partner with parents and the community
 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Academy, grades
- 9-12
- Excellent educational technology for 21st Century Learning
 Award winning Art and Music programs
- Great athletic facilities with local teams that compete at the state level.
- Michigan Green and Emerald Green Schools

• Serves approximately 3300 students K-12, offers an Alternative Education program for grades 9-12, and a tuition-based preschool, childcare and latchkey.

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March 22 t	to August 23: Schools of Choice
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March 25:	Oakwood Elementary Kindergarten
	Orientation 10am or 6:30pm
March 26:	Harvey-Swanson Elementary
	Kindergarten Orientation 10am or
	6:30pm
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	Virtual Learning Academy
	First Day of school 2013-2014 School year

Harvey-Swanson Elementary • Grades K-3 Oakwood Elementary • Grades K-3 Brandon Fletcher Intermediate School • Grades 4-6 Brandon Middle School • Grades 7 & 8 Brandon High School • Grades 9 - 12 H.T. Burt Lifelong Learning Center

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The Brandon School District Vision Statement: In Partnership with family and community Brandan School District strives to be at the Forefront of educational excellence preparing our Students to be Successful productive citizens Brandon School District (248) 627-1800 www.brandonschooldistrict.org

Lourdes Senior Community: "Unique, purposeful, respected

The word "rehabilitation" can strike fear in many as they see what may be painful days ahead while recovering from heart attacks, strokes, hip or knee fractures or replacements and various other ailments.

The outstanding physical and spiritual care at the Lourdes Nursing Home, is located on 40acres of beautiful lakefront property in Waterford— is aimed at alleviating and removing that fear while assisting residents on the road to recovery.

"One of the most gratifying things about our job is watching the progress residents make from the time they arrive until they either go home or to another arrangement such as assisted living," said Shela Myrick, nursing home administrator. "I love that Lourdes is faith-based. Every day, that aspect touches our lives and reminds us of what we're all about," she said.

"We have a staff of 12 outstanding employees in the Rehab Department," Shela added. "And there is a contingent staff based on scheduling needs. They're all very committed to our mission of helping people to recover and being sensitive to each resident's situation. And our beautiful campus helps residents to have a positive attitude.



For instance, weather permitting, some activity takes place outdoors in a wonderful atmosphere. The unique setting allows residents to maintain their independence while providing excellent support.

The nursing home offers short- and longterm occupational, physical and speech therapy in a facility comprised of 108 beds



comprised of 108 beds. An average of more than 20 short-term rehabilitation residents receive care from highly qualified physicians, therapists, nurses, dieticians and social workers. When a resident arrives, a plan is developed and later modified if necessary

as progress is made. Family members are included in the process and their desires respected.

Nearly 60 percent of residents return to their homes each year, and a yearly average of 22 residents return or move to other Lourdes facilities – Fox Manor on the Lake independent living, Mendelson Home assisted living or Clausen Manor memory care.

Leading the way in helping residents in their recoveries is Cheryl Burford, Senior Rehabilitation Program Director. She had been an occupational therapist at Lourdes for four years. Recently, Lourdes Senior Community in Waterford has been named one of the nation's best facilities by U.S.News and World Reort.

"The therapy at Lourdes is very special," Cheryl said. "Because we work very hard to help residents reach their full potential. One thing I love about Lourdes is there are no distinctions between therapy, nursing, activities, administration. We all work as a team, with one goal – the quality of life for our residents."

From the governor's quality care award to annual resident and family satisfaction surveys that reflect 95 percent satisfaction, to four years as best of the best in senior living communities in Oakland County—Lourdes Senior Community provides the highest quality care.

With our reputation of providing the very best care possible, it is no surprise that we are caring for the children of those we first served in the 1960s and 1970s. When you choose Lourdes as your next home, you won't be disappointed because it is "A great place to call home."

Colleen Burke, Director of values integration Lourdes Senior Community 248-673-1720



Dignity • Service • Compassion • Spirituality

GOB Gymnastics: a family oriented gym

The focus is on fun and family at GOB Gymnastics, 142 Harbor Pointe Road, Ortonville.

The family business is owned by Paul and Julie Frezza, who are joined by their children, Paul, Jr., Garrett, and Amanda, all of whom are experienced coaches dedicated to making the gym a friendly environment, where gymnasts and their parents also feel part of the family.

"We are a family-oriented gym," said Coach Amanda. "We focus on building good relationships with families so they can communicate with issues in school and we can focus on setting priorities. School and education definitely comes first."

Gymnastics as a recreational sport is encouraged at GOB, but the gym is also a member of the Amateur Athletic Union, a national competitive league.

In 2012, GOB had 40 members competing on its beginner instructional Bronze Team in the AAU and in 2013, that number has more than doubled to 87 members as more and more children join our gymnastics school.

GOB Gymnastics has achieved great success with its competitive level 4 and 5 travel teams as well, with First Place Team trophies already in 2013. GOB is also home of the Level 4 State All-Around Champion in 2012.

The facility offers a full Jr. Olympic competitive program in gymnastics.

"We are drawing a lot of recreational gymnasts, as well as gymnasts who want to work at a higher, committed, competitive level," said Coach Amanda. "We have



Front from left, Coach Amanda and Coach Julie. Back row from left, Coach Paul, Coach Paul Jr., and Coach Garrett. Not pictured, Coach Matt, Micah, Tessa, Erica, Amy, David, Reezes and Monica.

all the equipment and knowledge and experience to coach gymnasts at both levels and help them reach their goals and dreams."

Both girls and boys are encouraged at GOB, with state of the art equipment for gymnasts to practice every discipline in their sport. But while they are practicing gymnastics skills on the beam, vault, bars, floor, and more, GOB students also are gaining skills and confidence to be great all-around athletes. "We give them the flexibility to try different things and be on different teams," said Coach Amanda. "They are wanted on all different school sports teams because they have well-rounded athletic ability and have developed the confidence that helps them shine."

GOB Gymnastics teaches tumbling and stunting for cheerleading teams from multiple schools, Clarkston, Everest Academy, Waterford Kettering and Detroit Country Day whose varsity team took first place in league and district competition.

"We can help build athletic skills at any age," Coach Amanda said. "We have low time commitments to allow kids to participate in other activities and have time with their families. Here at the gym, you will make friends and your teammates will help encourage you to push yourself."

At GOB, when a gymnast achieves a new skill or makes a great attempt, Coach Paul rings a bell and everyone, including parents who are welcome to stay at the gym, stops and watches the accomplishment and cheers them on.

Come to GOB and hear the bell ring for you or your gymnast.

GOB Gymnastics, 142 Harbor Pointe, Ortonville. Details: 248-627-6317, gobgymnastics.com or search Facebook for GOB Gymnastics & Cheerleading.



Randy Wise Ford-Ortonville:Committed to excellence and community

The new car connection in Ortonville just grew.

Randy Wise Ford-Ortonville will open a new showroom and service area 986 S. Ortonville Road. The new 20,000 square foot state of the art facility will provide more room for new and used vehicles on site and additional service bays. The new showroom will provide a comfortable location to check out the new vehicles from Ford Motor Company.

"With the investment in the new building we are looking forward to being a part of the community for a long time," said Joe Greene, manager. "Randy Wise Ford is committed to providing the Brandon and Groveland township area with the finest in Ford products and a first class service facility to back that up. Ford Motor Company continues to set high standards for its vehicles and that is evident with some of our new vehicles, including the Ford Focus and Ford Escape."

From service to commercial fleets to a certified diesel technician to maintenance of the family car—the new state-of-the art service facility can repair all makes and models.

"The new building is 'eco-friendly'-



The team at Randy Wise Ford-Ortonville

from heating, cooling and even the lights we use here in the new offices is environmentally responsible—just like many of our new vehicles," added Greene. "There's a lot of value and eco-friendliness in the C-Max and the Focus."

For 2013 the Ford Fusion and the C-Max gasoline-electric hybrid models provide about 47 mpg using a regenerative braking system capable of capturing and reusing more than 95 percent of the braking energy normally lost during the braking process of vehicles are available.

"Today a lot of people have a Ford F-150 pickup in their garage, it's the best selling vehicle in America—Ford wants the other vehicle sitting next to it.'

Randy Wise Ford Ortonville makes it easy to buy a car for a variety of price ranges.

"We also have a variety of certified preowned vehicles to choose from," said Greene. "Later this year the old facility will be razed providing room for a greater selection of vehicles."

Randy Wise Ford continues to give back to the community through the school system. Twice a year community members are invited to test-drive a variety of new Ford vehicles for the Drive One 4 UR School event. Ford Motor Company and Randy Wise Ford of Ortonville will donate \$20 to Brandon High School for each person who takes a test-drive in a new Ford. In total, as much as \$6,000 could be earned for the Brandon Blackhawks or the Goodrich Martians.

Randy Wise, which includes six locations in southeast Michigan, purchased the Ortonville location from Arrant Ford in 2004.

Randy Wise owns six area dealerships offering Buick, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Dodge, Ford, GMC, Hyundai, Jeep, Lincoln and Ram.



It's been four years since Burdick Street Landscape Supply & Equipment opened its doors at 43 E. Burdick St. in Oxford Village and business is thriving.

For that, owners Steve and Koula Stoll are extremely grateful and appreciative.

"Our numbers have improved every year," Koula said. "I can't tell you how thankful we are. I'm thankful for every person that walks through that door. You have to be."

"We can't believe how far we've come," she added. "We're getting a good handle on who we are and what we're about."

But don't for a minute think Burdick Street is going to start resting on its laurels.

"We're still trying to get people to come in the door," Koula said. "There's still a lot of people who say, Hdidn't even know you were here.

Burdick Street is the place in the Oxford area to purchase quality power equipment bearing well-known brand names such as Toro, Cub Cadet, Scag, Simplicity, Stihl and Briggs & Stratton.

The show room is filled with lawn mowers of every description, snowblowers and plows, chainsaws, blowers, weed-whips, trimmers, power-washers, air compressors, etc. - everything a person could possibly need or want to help them keep their portion of the great outdoors under control and attractive to the eve.

It's important to the Stolls that most of the products they carry be manufactured right here in the good ol' US of A.

"Our goal is to still be a powerhouse when it comes to products made in the United people around here who have large properties. They want equipment to handle it that's affordably priced, but still has good quality.'

out all the products and services Burdick Street offers by attending their open house.

will host an open house for homeowners from 10 a.m. to

"That's the big one where we open ourselves up for the entire community," Koula said. "It's just so much fun."

turer representatives will be

check them out on Facebook as well Monday through Friday and on Saturdays

3 p.m. **Burdick Street** Landscape Supply & Equipment in Oxford is the place

people like me who want quality and something that's made here."

That's why Burdick Street is proud to now offer the Snapper Pro line, which features riding lawn mowers, zero-turn mowers and walk-behind mowers.

"It's a value-priced commercial line made in New York," Koula said. "There are so many

to get that new riding lawn mower Manufacyou've been dreaming about. States," Koula said. "I think there's a lot of on hand to answer questions and discuss

Great financing! 3.75% for 60 Months!

their products, demonstrations will be conducted and lunch will be served. The open house will also feature door

prizes and specials such as \$5 blade and chainsaw sharpening. Those specials will run all week long after the open house. Local chainsaw sculptor Gary Elzerman will be on hand to demonstrate his unique craft.



**Note Promo regain prices and payments do not include freight, set up of delivery charges: Financing is subj credit approval thigh Yard Card.The APR will be a fixed rate of 3.75% for 54 months from the date of function Monthly payments include \$125 doc fee. Payments may vary by State and dealer. Valid thiough 4/20/2013



and it's not our forte, but we're seeing more of a call for it.' But Burdick Street doesn't just sell power equipment: it also services it with expert care and knowledge, whether the engine is made by Kohler, Briggs & Stratton, Kawasaki or

Honda, to name a few "We work on everything," Koula said. "If it's got a gas engine - with the exception of cars - we can fix it. That's the difference. Anybody can go buy something at a big box store, but are they going to do parts and service? No.'

"What he can do with a chainsaw is be-

yond amazing," Koula said.

All of Burdick Street's repair staff are constantly receiving continuing education about all the engines they service. "Things change every year," Koula said. "You have to keep up."

For more information about Burdick Street Landscape Supply & Equipment please call (248) 969-2800 or visit on-line at www.burdickstreet.com. Don't forget to



Quality beef to be found at Crooked Creek Farm

High quality all natural beef, pork and chicken with no hormones, growth, stimulants or antibiotics and "down home friendly" service is what Caldwell's Crooked Creek Farm offers their customers.

Located at 1951 Haines Road in Lapeer, Caldwells have been in the meat business for 30 years.

"I grew up on a dairy farm and years later I went into the meat business," Jim Caldwell said.

"I went to work with Kroger and became a head meat cutter for them and I just decided I wanted to go on my own."

After owning a couple butcher shops and living on a farm, Caldwell and his wife Genny, decided to combine the two and setup shop on the farm.

"It's worked out wonderful for us. I love farming and raising those animals," Jim said. "This is our whole little world. It's our living, it's our fun, (and) it's our every thing."

Caldwells offer meat cut to their customer's specifications, as well as a personal experience with their butcher.

"We raise different breeds of cows. Some breeds produce leaner meat and some produce more marble meat, so we can customize to the person's wishes," Genny said. "We also stress to the customer that natural is better for health."

As a part of their healthier meat, Caldwells raise their own feed and have 24/7 access to either grass or grain fed cows. The meat is also cut fresh weekly.

Caldwells advertise on a weekly basis with specials through the year including individual items, packaged where customers can create their own bundle.

Large portions can also be ordered for parties, open houses and holidays.

"Everything is preorder with pickup hours being Friday 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. or Saturday between 8 a.m. - noon," Jim said. "Quarters and halves (of the animal) take approximately two to three weeks."

As for the future Jim and Genny look to continue offering fresh cut, customer specific quality products that not massed produced and personal one-on-one relationship.

"You know who and where it's coming from," Jim said.

For more information call Caldwells Crooked Creek Farm at 810-667-9324, e-mail crookedcreek farm@chartner.net, visit www.caldwellscrookedcreekfarm.com or find them on Facebook.



Jim Caldwell at Caldwell's Crooked Creek Farm in Lapeer gurantees high quality fresh cut beef to his customers.



Celebrating 15 years on Lake Louise: Bullfrogs a local favorite

From an empty building to a gem on Lake Louise-Bullfrogs Restaurant has become the iconic gathering place to kick back and enjoy the view while feasting on your favorite meal or beverage.

This year Bullfrogs will celebrate 15 years of business

« "It was John Hagar's lifelong dream to open a sports venue-family restaurant," said Kim Hagar who, along with John, purchased the building in 1995. "The inside was 99 percent gutted and redone. Over the years we've had several additions from the Tiki Bar to the spacious deck to the big screen plasma televisions, but the original concept continues to attract patrons."

Just 5 miles north of 1-75, off exit 91, Bullfrogs Restaurant, 2225 Ortonville Road, offers a festive atmosphere with entertainment every Friday and Saturday night.

Whether out on the deck or in the dining room Bullfrogs offers something for everyone. Whether it's with the whole family or just enjoying a date night with your spouse or significant other, Bullfrogs is sure to please.

"Our Tiki Bar has become an area hot spot," said Kim. "It's one of the biggest outdoor bars in Oakland County. Even when the evenings get cool, guests can warm up by lounging near their new outdoor fireplace on the deck. Or chill out after a concert at DTE, which is just a short drive away.

"We make an effort to have something for everyone



grown children later.

said

including a great menu with reasonable pricing. "There's never a bad seat in the house to watch your favorite sporting event on our big screen TVs," Kim

Kim Hagar emphasizes that Bullfrogs continues to support the community by sponsoring local charities, giving donations and food to our local schools and organizations. Bullfrogs is a supporter of Devoted Friends

Animal Rescue.

If you're looking for the best pizza after the show, stop by Bullfrogs for one of their famous Mexican, Artichoke Spinach or The Nine Yards Pizza. If south of the border fits your palate, check out the enormous wet burrito enchiladas or the infamous humongous nachos while sipping on the drink specials of the day.

"Maybe a bowl of our famous venison chicken chili topped off with Frog Ears for dessert," said Kim.

Bullfrogs late night fun continues with DJ, dancing and the occasional live band on weekend nights. Texas hold em poker tournaments Monday nights along with 'Bike nights' in the summer. Wednesday night is always family or kids night with Fumbelina the Clown and kids eat free. Don't forget ladies night every Thursday where drinks are discounted for the ladies. Bullfrogs also has Hoppy Hour specials 3-6 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Visit their website bullfrogsbarandgrill.com or hop in and join the e-mail club to get all the latest discounts and daily hoppenings at the Frog.

Open Monday-Sunday, 11-2 a.m., and the kitchen is open with the full menu available until 11p.m. Full appetizer menu until 2 a.m. seven days a week. Reservations and carry-outs are always welcome by calling the pad at 248-627-7755 or hopping in at 2225 Ortonville Roadd Ortonville.

Check out The Citizen for updates on all events.

Ortonville's Hometown Dealer Lane Car Company:

Great options. Great values. That's what the friendly staff of Lane Car Company and Lane Budget offers the community as Ortonville's Hometown Dealer for the past six years.

To better serve the community, in 2012 Lane Car Company transformed the 20,000 square-foot former GM dealership into a expansive sales and service facility.

"We can now serve the public better than ever and offer a wide array of vehicles," said Jim Lane, co-owner of Lane Car Company along with his father Jim. "The growth and commitment to excellence of Lane Car Company has been a win-win situation for us and this community."

Recently Lane Car Company has teamed up with CaRite providing two great methods to get financing for your vehicle.

"Financing can be based on a customers great credit or

based on the value of the vehicle up to 90 percent," said Jim.

Customers can even reselect to another vehicle with six on time payments (meaning you could drive a 4WD in the winter and a convertible in the summer). Just another of the many options provided.

With more than 150 cars on the lot and a full-service shop that features, expert technicians with more than 50 years of combined experience along with unbeatable rates. Staffed with state certified and licensed mechanics who perform all services needed on your vehicle-from oil changes to tune-ups to brakes, tires and major engine repairs.

The only local professional body and collision repair service, Lane Car Company offers paint work repairs to scratches, scuffs and dents in addition to fixing damage caused by collisions.

Vehicles from Lane are



In car Leaun. Standing, from left: Charlie, Luke, Tom, Kyle, Tom and John.

carefully-inspected. And once you drive it off the lot, a CARite certified car is guaranteed like others - with available warranties.

munity we support the service groups through a variety of efforts," added Jim. "Last year we hosted the Creekfest Carnival-sponsored by the "As a business in this com- Ortonville Lions Club- in our

spacious parking lot. It was truly an honor to see so many families take part in such a great community event."

"We love this community and make this town our home too," said Jim. "There's no need to travel out of the area to buy a car or for service when it's available right here in town. It's simple-our returning business is what got us here, it allowed us to grow and that's what will keep us here in Ortonville."

The Lane Budget lot offers terrific vehicles in a wide range of prices-

Hours of operation at both locations are 9 a.m.to 8 p.m. Monday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Lane Car Company, 110 S. Ortonville Road, 248-627-8000 and Lane Budget, 2200 S. Ortonville Road, 248-627-LANE (5263).

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From left, Technicians Kaleb, Derrick, Ryan, Darin, and Shawn of Aire Serv.

op service at Aire Serv

"Thank you for the prompt service when my furnace broke down," said one satisfied Aire Serv customer. "Very nice installer," said another.

After 10 years of quality, reliable service, the customers of Aire Serv of Oakland County North know who they can count on for honest, fast service for their air conditioning and heating needs.

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Nuview Nutrition continues to expand in 2013 with exciting additions to help you and your health get back on track.

"Nuview Nutrition is more of a full service lifestyle facility now," said Cindy Crandell, R.N., C.N., owner and founder. "We have so much more to offer to help keep people healthy."

One of the recent additions is SHAPE ReClaimed

"It's a safe weight loss program," Crandell explained. "You do not lose any muscle. It is very simple to follow. It is a step approach to a lifestyle plan."

It is monitored with a body composition testing and urine analysis. Patients can drop half a pound to a pound per day.

"It's a way for me to not only reboot my way of eating but control my portion sizes as well," said current patient, Wendi Reardon. "I lost 25 pounds on SHAPE ReClaimed and a total of 80 pounds with Nuview Nutrition. I wasn't hungry on SHAPE ReClaimed. I also no longer have sugar cravings. I think healthy and I eat healthy. I have energy, which I didn't have before. The results speak for themselves. They truly do."

Crandell has patients who use it for other reasons besides losing weight. It can reduce inflammation because it is an anti-inflammatory diet approach.

Nuview Nutrition also offers more testing. They have full panel blood tests for kidney, liver, and cholesterol panels, allergy testing, saliva tests for hormones, and hair analysis for heavy metal testing. "We also offer body composition testing. Most testing is covered by health insurance, copay may apply."

Insurance plans, she added, now have incentives and lower deductibles for patients if they are healthy.

"Insurance companies are looking to keep people off medication," Crandell said. "It's another way I can help people to help them, reduce their medication and get them off medication. They are also getting better at reimbursing clients for nutrition services."

Nuview Nutrition now offers Aqua Chi Ionic Foot Bath and Amyethyst Crystal BioMat.

The Aqua Chi Ionic Foot Bath has a biocharge produced by the ion energy spa and is effectively used for a range of conditions.

It is used for detoxification, pain reduction, reduced inflammation and recovery time, improved liver, kidney and colon function and improved sleeping.

The Amyethyst Crystal BioMat is designed to ease stress, pain and improve long-term health. Simply lying on the mat promotes a feeling of well-being for a healthier mind and body.

"The BioMat is a session with guided imagery and essential oils," Crandell explained,

Some of the benefits of using the BioMat also include: eases joint pain and stiffness, eliminates toxins in the body, increases blood circulation, alleviates migraines and tension headaches; reduces allergy symptoms, improves cardiovascular health, promotes hormone balance, burns calories and controls weight,

Nuview Nutrition has workshops on topics such as weight loss, gut health, exercise, detoxification and mindful eating. They also have individual, group and corporate wellness programs.

"A lot of companies are doing the corporate wellness programs now," Crandell added. "They benefit by having healthier employees and it affects their bottom line with the cost of insurance rates. It is mandatory for a lot of these companies to have the entire family to get physicals. The healthier the employee and their family are, the better the rates the corporation gets from the insurance company. "

Crandell is also one of the nutritionists on staff at the Swan for Life Cancer Foundation and has a free four-part series for a nutrition-based workshop along with a free lunch and learn session every third Wednesday of the month.

"We focus on beating cancer with nutrition," Crandell said.

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Royal Diner: perfect for dining in and catering

From their excellent serving staff to their delicious food, it's no surprise The Royal Diner was voted "Best of the Best" by readers of both *The Clarkston News* and *The Oakland Press.*

"We're a family here," said Manager Elizabeth Foglesong, who enjoys the personal relationships she's developed with staff and customers over the years.

The Royal Diner's sense of community goes beyond their restaurant. They regularly support Clarkston Schools with gift certificates for raffles and fundraisers. From the ski club to the bowling team, The Royal Diner reaches out to help the Clarkston community thrive.

As soon as you walk through the Royal Diner's door, a friendly face is there to greet you, Many of the servers even know their customers by name. They happily answer questions and make sure to respond to every need.

The great service isn't the only part of The Royal Diner customers love, however. They also keep coming back for the scrumptious food.

Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, The Royal Diner serves up breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

For breakfast, have some eggs with corned beef hash, biscuits and gravy, country fried steak, pigs in a blanket made with sausage links, or cinnamon raisin French toast with your hot coffee or juice.

Their breakfast sandwiches, Belgian waffles, Royal Omelette, and crepes can't be beat.

Don't forget senior citizens receive special discounts. "You[°]get the bang for your buck," said Foglesong.

For lunch or dinner, try their popular Italian dishes like chicken parmesan, mostaccioli, and spaghetti. They also offer traditional favorites such as their Royal Corned Beef sandwich on Jewish Rye bread and Monterey Chicken dinner. Get a Royal Burger, gyro platter, meatloaf or chicken strips.

For seafood lovers, Royal Diner offers pan fried lake perch, a 21 piece shrimp basket, and hand battered fish and chips. Enjoy a loaded baked potato or coleslaw on the side. Royal Diner uses top quality Black An-

gus beef, so don't forget to try a New York strip steak or chopped sirloin steak.

If steak's not your style, get some southern style pork chops straight from the butcher shop.

End your meal with delicious desserts like the Blondie Deluxe, a hot cookie brownie covered with vanilla ice cream, hot fudge, caramel, and topped with whipped cream and chocolate chips.

With so many menu items to choose from, The Royal Diner is sure to satisfy anyone's taste buds. Their large variety foods made with fresh ingredients makes them the perfect source to cater your event.

From graduations, funerals, or weddings, Royal Diner is ready to cater an event of any size, Foglesong said.

Their catering menu offers veggie, fruit, or cheese trays. Treat your guests to a deli or sub platter or let Royal Diner serve pasta salad, spare ribs, marinated chicken breasts, lasagna, oven roasted turkey, or roast pork tenderloin.

Their roast sirloin with mushroom gravy, honey glazed ham, baked herb chicken, and breaded pork chops are catering favorites. Enjoy them with a side of red skin parsley or Saint Anne's potatoes.

Bring your whole family to enjoy the friendly atmosphere at The Royal Diner located at 6450 Dixie Highway.

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Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union-Clarkston meeting needs

Clarkston Brandon Community Credit high rates they are paying at other lend-Union (CBCCU) has been meeting the financial needs of members and their families since 1957. Membership is available to everyone who lives or works in the geographic boundaries of the Clarkston and Brandon School Districts. as well as all family members and individuals living in the same household. CBCCU currently serves more than 9.000 members and their families, and has two offices - one on Ortonville Road in Clarkston and the branch office is located on South Street in Ortonville.

CBCCU is a state-of-the-art financial institution offering low-rate loans including mortgage and equity loans, a wide range of savings and checking products, and 24/7 electronic services such as online banking, e-statements, bill pay, online loan applications, and the availability of more than 28,000 surcharge-free ATMs nationwide. CBCCU also participates in shared branching, which allows members to transact CBCCU business at other credit unions throughout Michigan and the U.S.

"We've made a commitment to stay in step with changing technology in order to provide the highest level of convenience to our members," said CBCCU's CEO Donna Bullard. Also in the forefront of product development is our commitment to provide members with low-cost and free services, as well as low-rate loans," she added. "In fact, we take a close look at each member's situation when it comes to the kind of

ers, and we show them how much they can save when they bring those loans to CBCCU. In many cases, we can save members thousands of dollars over the life of their loan," added Bullard.

At CBCCU they don't just concentrate on marketing loans to members, they want to help members improve their overall financial wellbeing. Every member is an individual with unique situations and needs. In addition to saving members money by consolidating highrate loans, members are given a second chance if they have previously encountered problems with a checking account. Rates are determined based on each member's individual credit history, and during troubled times, CBCCU is there to help custom design a program to help members get back on their feet.

CBCCU is also dedicated to serving youth by offering educational programs within the schools, through their Zoogles Savings Club for members age 11 and under, and college scholarships for high school seniors. Plus, CBCCU has designed a College Care Package to help college students have everything they need whether their college is across town or across the country.

"We are committed to making a difference in the lives or our members everyday and giving back to our communities," said Bullard. "We are a member owned financial institution, providing big benefits to the members we serve now and for the future," added Bullard.

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Clutter control, record keeping, packing up to move - there are many reasons to rent storage.

Water Tower Self Storage has the right space for them all.

"We store everything," said Joe Clark, manager. "Many of our units are climate controlled to keep belongings nice and dry. With all the moisture we've had recently, it's great to keep your stuff inside."

Water Tower Self Storage maintains 660 units filled with people's items, including holiday decorations, office records, deck furniture, grills, lawn mowers, and other seasonal items and equipment that would otherwise clutter up the garage, property owned by people on the move, estate items stored until family is ready to go through them, and toys for children and adults.

"We store a lot of nice cars and motorcycles," Clark said.

The storage facility is located at 6366 Sashabaw Road, a quarter mile south of I-75.

"This is a good location in an underserved area," he said. "In self storage, customers want the location to be within 3-5 miles from home. No one wants to drive 20 minutes to get their Christmas decorations."

The three-story facility opened in April 2008, offering units in a wide range of sizes from 5-by-5-foot to 12-to-30, as well as specialized packing supplies.

Business is brisk, with almost all of their units filled by last spring and three expansion buildings constructed.

'When we get those units filled up, we'll build three more buildings," Clark said.

The new buildings include bigger and wider units, some with power hookups forcar battery trickle chargers.

Some units also have a higher ceiling, great for boats on trailers, and 12-foot-wide units accommodate cars with big doors.

"Car owners are happy to get 12-foot-wide units," he said. "The 10-foot units are too tight."

For security, they have over 40 cameras inside and outside the fully fenced and lighted facility, with access controlled by a state-of-the-art gate with personal-accesscode entry.

"It's a local business by local businessmen," Clark said.

They donate and provide discounts to community groups in the area including Toys for Tots, Lighthouse, Clarkston Community Historical Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Clarkston Rotary Club.

"It's a community minded business," he said. "When we can help out, we do.'

For more information, call Water Tower Self Storage at 248-625-0123 or check Watertowerstorage.com.



Joe Clark, manager of Water Tower Self Storage on Sashabaw Road, is ready to help you store your items in climate controlled comfort.

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The Birdfeeder, Clarkston Flower Shoppe, and Bonnie & Clyde, all at 7150 N. Main Street, feature unique displays throughout the store, including a candy counter, with boutique employee Brooklynn Scott.

Ultimate shopping experience at Birdfeeder, Clarkston Flower Shoppe, Bonnie & Clyde

With almost an acre of trendy fashions, flowers, and one-of-a-kind indoor and outdoor decor, shopping at The Birdfeeder, Clarkston Flower Shoppe, and Bonnie & Clyde can take a while.

That's the way they want it, said Steve Stroud, Birdfeeder owner.

"Our purpose is to give everyone the ultimate shopping experience," Stroud said. "It's to create an area to enjoy shopping in, and a reason to keep coming back.

"Providing our customers with the best product along with outstanding customer service and to exceed your expectations is the philosophy we stand by," said Shari Schulz, owner of Clarkston Flower Shoppe and Bonnie & Clyde.

The family businesses, also owned by Steve and Shari's mother, Pat Stroud, are all at 7150 N. Main Street.

The Birdfeeder is filled with seed, chimes, stepping stones, and indoor amenities as well as all the unique bird feeders a backyard enthusiast could need or want.

Find the freshest quality and high-style designers in Clarkston Flower Shoppe along with one-of-a-kind, on trend fashions and top styles for both men and women at Bonnie & Clyde.

When choosing merchandise for the store, they look for items shoppers can't find elsewhere.

"Our first choice is always something made in Michigan - we want to support local artists and businesses," Steve said. "Priority also goes to products made in America. That's plan A. But we also look at quality items made in Europe."

Each area of the store has a different feel and mood. Displays highlight upcoming holidays and other special events.

"The first thing you see walking in the

door is a vintage candy counter offering old school candy, items you won't find on just any candy rack," he said. "The visual displays are to get people excited about being here - that's what we want to create throughout the whole store."

The boutique features an industrial look to reflect its Made in Detroit vibe.

"We like the look - we want to get away from the big box store appearance," Stroud said.

All this is just the second phase of a longterm business development plan. Phase three, which includes a new garden and landscape architecture center, is just around the corner.

Construction is already complete on The Atrium, a new greenhouse and showroom in back. Shoppers last holiday season saw it decked out in Christmas trees and decorations, but it's designed to display flowers, plants, and garden decor.

Plans for the backyard include paver stones, potting shed with unique pots, pond, and waterfall. They plan to break ground when the weather breaks.

"We hope to open by Mother's Day," he said.

The family-owned business was founded 21 years ago to serve the community as a shopping destination, and more.

"Come here, grab a cup of coffee and just enjoy walking through the store," Stroud said. "We are very proud of the commitment we make to our local schools and SCAMP. Every year we hold events and raise funds to donate to our troops, Toys for Tots, and local charities. Giving back to our community is what we do. It's who we are."

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All Saints Cemetery & The Preserve are the area's best kept secret

All Saints Cemetery and The Preserve Cemetery, both located where Nelsey Road intersects with Andersonville, is the Clarkston area's best kept secret. Director Russ Burns wants to change that.

"When we ask people about us, they say, 'Oh, you're the pretty cemetery down by the lake.' But nobody knows our name."

Located on the shores of Maceday Lake, the side-by-side cemeteries are unique, as the border for Clarkston and Waterford runs through them. It's a traditional cemetery with statuary, a Veterans Memorial, Garden Mausoleum and Cremation Columbaria.

"We also offer family monument areas starting with as little as two grave sites. The combination of beautifully maintained grounds fronting the lake make this property very desirable for those seeking a place for peace and serenity," Burns said.

All Saints Cemétery was opened in 1979, and The Preserve Cemetery is only a few years old. Yet as the area's only natural burial cemetery, The Preserve already has made a name for itself throughout the state. In late February, The Preserve was certified by the Green Burial Council, making it the only dedicated "green" cemetery of its kind in Southeastern Michigan.

"On average people are driving 37 miles to The Preserve for their natural burials," Burns said, adding that one family came as far away as Chicago for preplanning there.

All this right in Clarkston's backyard!

The Preserve is next to, but separate from All Saints Cemetery. The Preserve is considered to be protected land that forms a contiguous parcel of natural woodlands, wildlife, and bird sanctuary. There are no manmade statues or rows of granite markers.

Natural or green burials appeal to those interested in conservation, parklands, ecology or the simple beauty of nature untouched. It's a great option for those who enjoy the outdoors and the peaceful setting such an environment offers.



The Prayer and Meditation Memorial Area at All Saints Cemetery and The Preserve Cemetery.

"Embalming and grave liners are not permitted in order to allow the natural rhythms of life to take their course," Burns said. "Natural burial is the embodiment of the Genesis proverb so widely known: 'From dust thou came, and to dust thou shall return.'

Both cemeteries are managed by Mt. Elliott Cemetery Association, a non-profit organization founded in 1841. The association also manages cemeteries in Clinton Township, Detroit and Rochester and welcomes families and individuals of all Christian faiths. "We are a very strong, well organized company," Burns said.

This year All Saints will begin constructing Phase II of the Garden of the Apostles' mausoleum. When completed, the building will almost double the available amount of above ground entombment and cremation niches. Phase II will have optimum views of both Maceday and Lotus lakes.

All Saints and The Preserve have made a concerted effort to become more active in the local community. Russ and his staff of family services counselors are active members of both the Clarkston and Waterford chambers of commerce. They also invite community members to visit the properties for outdoor activities such as running, walking and bike riding, and to attend the various events All Saints and The Preserve host.

"We're inviting folks to attend our events throughout the year. Our Memorial Day service is on site with a full mass and military honor guard to pay tribute to our fallen Heroes of the armed services," Burns said.

Other events include a Remembrance Mass the first Sunday in November for those who were placed at peace during the year at All Saints and The Preserve Cemeteries; and Deck the Trees, a holiday event for the entire family in December where guests make natural ornaments made of nuts, berries, bird seed and other natural materials to hang on the cemetery's trees. These ornaments then can be eaten by the vast array of wildlife that call All Saints and The Preserve home.

All Saints Cemetery and The Preserve provide a place to enjoy nature and exercise. "It's commonplace to see walkers, runners, rollerbladers enjoying the manicured landscape and views of the lake at all times of day," Burns said. "Nature lovers prefer to explore the flora and fauna, as well as the wildlife of The Preserve."

The office is located off Nelsey Road and open Monday thru Friday, 9 to 4:30; Saturday, 9 to 2:30. The grounds are open Monday thru Sunday, 7 to 5 and 7 to 7 during Daylight Savings. To learn about preplanning options or to have a tour of either property, call 248-623-9633. Or you may visit online atwww.mtelliott.com/allsaints and www.mtelliott.com/thepreserve.



Donna Butora with the Gregg's Gourmet Cafe staff.

Gregg's always great

salads topped with croutons made from scratch, Gregg's Gourmet Café offers delicious food at great prices.

Gregg's menu offers a variety of options. You can pick up a hand tossed pizza with one of their many salads made to order or have a slab of their baby back ribs while you dine in.

You can find traditional favorites like breadsticks and chicken wings or sample one of their new tasty quesadillas. Whole chicken, baked mostaccioli, subs, and pulled pork sandwiches are also available. For dessert, savor the brownie voted "best" at the Taste of Clarkston.

Gregg's may update their menu, but their customers say one thing never changes: the quality of food.

"It's always good," said Manager Donna Butora.

Every time a customer drops in for one of their classic or gourmet pizzas, Gregg's food is consistently topnotch. Because toppings are prepared daily and lettuce is cut fresh every morning, the flavor can't be beat.

It might be more than the delicious menu that keeps foodies coming back, though. Gregg's Gourmet Café treats their employees like family.

The fun family-friendly atmosphere at Gregg's is due in part to the patient and helpful staff who are ready to serve when you walk through the door.

Gregg's excellent service is evident because they've been voted Best Caterer five years in a row.

"We give 200 people the same quality food as a small birthday party," said Butora.

From their homemade pizza sauce to their Gregg's has experience catering weddings, open houses, funerals, and many other events.

> Gregg's Gourmet Café's flexible catering service will work to suit your needs. They can have servers available at the event, deliver the food and set it up, or you can pick up the food and do it yourself.

> In addition, their catering menu offers some special items like hot spinach artichoke dip with pita chips, gourmet pizza wedges, fresh fruit displays of seasonal fruit, gourmet sandwich platters, baked lasagna and jumbo chicken wings.

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The consultants at Parsonage Events are ready to help you plan your special day. Photo by Heather Saunders Photography.

Parsonage Events has style

You may have heard about Parsonage Events in magazines like *The Knot, Metro Detroit Bride*, and *Ambassador* because they have high-end style.

Parsonage Events is a family-owned, fullservice event design studio that's been located in downtown Clarkston for 10 years. They have a small town appeal while pulling off big city events.

"We are known best for fusing lush, beautiful flowers with artful designs," said Customer Relations Manager Emily Parkin.

Parsonage Events specializes in "big day" occasions including weddings, corporate, bar and bat mitzvahs, birthdays, graduations, and showers.

They provide clients with lush flowers, rich linens, custom stationery, chiavari chairs, charger plates, custom display pieces and furniture.

When planning your celebration with Parsonage Events, you meet one-on-one with a consultant who will work with you to achieve the look you want.

By the day of the event, the consultants feel like their clients are old friends. "It feels like we've known them longer than we have," Parkin noted.

"We provide one hundred percent custom service and design to each and every one of our clients. It is exciting to know that we can provide exactly what you want," said Parkin.

Customers are encouraged to bring in photos and clippings that inspire them. By the end of the interview, your consultant will give you a free price quote to ensure your special day will work inside your budget. After the initial interview, clients can meet with their consultant anytime. "By the end, you feel like you're friends," said Parkin.

The consultants at Parsonage Events focus on getting to know their customers in order to make sure the occasion is designed exactly how they want it.

They are ready with samples and mockup centerpieces to show you how the design you're dreaming of will become a reality.

If you're seeking a particular color or theme, Parsonage Events will work hard to match it.

"We understand it's very important," Parkin said. "When we nail it, it's totally worth it," she added. If they don't have the display piece you want on hand, "we'll make it, we'll paint it, we'll build it," Parkin assured.

With such close attention to their clients, it's no surprise that so many people recommend Parsonage Events to family and friends. Their look and style has caught the attention of others too.

In 2013 Parsonage Events was *The Knot's* pick for Best of Weddings, and they earned Wedding Wire's Brides Choice Award.

Find out more about Parsonage Events' wide range of designs on www.parsonageflowers.com or find them on Facebook. You can learn about their latest designs by checking out their blog at parsonageflowers.blogspot.com.

Located at 6 E. Church Street, Parsonage Events is open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on the evenings and weekends by appointment.

Call 248-625-4340 or send a fax to 248-625-3175 to start designing your next event.

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When Prince William proposed to Kate Middleton with a sapphire engagement ring, couples all over the world were inspired to consider alternative stones for their big day.

Silverkiss Jewelry in downtown Clarkston can help.

"Other gems are becoming very fashionable," said owner Buck Kopietz. "There are so many variations for weddings and engagements – Kate Middleton brought it to the mainstream."

Along with sapphires, rubies, garnets, and other gemstones in a rainbow of colors are fashionable, mounted on 14k, 18k white and yellow gold. Men's wedding bands now come in many alternative metals such as titanium and tungsten as well.

"It's for couples who want to be a little different and not necessarily follow past traditions, those who are looking to make a statement and be different from the crowd," Kopietz said.

It's also a way to work within a budget, because they're often less costly than diamonds, he said.

"Today, everybody has a budget, so it's really important to understand the different ways you can work within one," he said.

Silverkiss also offers expert advice on traditional diamond and gold rings.

"We work with couples so they understand diamonds," he said. "We do a wonderful job helping them make those choices."

Also becoming fashionable are brooches and pins.

"They used to be very common – they're making a comeback," he said. "It's a wonderful fashion statement for women wearing scarves, blazers, business suits, and winter coats. They add some extra flair." Displayed prominently in Kopietz' downtown Main Street store are a variety of pins and brooches in animal, flower, bowtie, and other shapes, along with *Read My Pins*, a book by Madeleine Albright about her pin collection

"She would wear them to let people know what mood she was in," Kopietz said.

With 39 years in the jewelry business in Clarkston, he and his wife Joan Kopietz also design and create custom jewelry for their customers.

"A lot of people bring in jewelry they've had for a long time to change it, restyle it, make it desirable to wear again," Buck said.

A recent customer brought her diamond ring, a two-ruby ring that had belonged to her mother, and a few smaller diamonds for a custom combination.

"She was delighted with her beautiful new ring that represents three generations in her family," he said. "Every time she looks at it, she says she thinks of her mother and her two daughters."

Sterling silver is still affordable and popular, but more pricy pieces are also desirable.

"Yellow gold is back in a big way, we're selling a lot more of it," Kopietz said.

Also popular are sterling silver in rosegold, copper, and other colors, and they also offer stainless steel jewelry for men, crosses and religious jewelry, and vintage pieces.

"We've also seen a large increase in jewelry repair work, things people have put off for a long time," Kopietz said.

Hours are Mon - Fri, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat, 10 a.m.4 p.m.

For more information, call Silverkiss Jewelry, 64 South Main, at 248-625-2511 or check www.silverkissjewelry.com.



Buck Kopietz, owner of Silverkiss Jewelry, displays turgoise and coral jewelry in a Pueblo cliff-dwellers' theme.





Dawn Raffler. owner of Clarkston Cleaning Services, keeps high standards, quality, and trust, and always exceeds customers' expectations.

Award-winning cleaning crews with Clarkston Cleaning Services

Clarkston Cleaning Services is moving toward their goal of becoming Oakland County's number one cleaning service, with new clients, new territory and a new location in 2013.

"We're expanding into West Bloomfield. Bloomfield Hills, and Birmingham, expanding by about 10-15 percent," said owner Dawn Raffler.

They recently moved to their new office on Williams Lake Road to accommodate their continued growth.

"We average 475 cleanings a month, with 550 in December," she said. "As we continue to grow, we'll establish another location and grow from there."

Raffler started the home cleaning business in 2001 with herself as the only employee. Now with 24 employees, they serve over 200 clients throughout Oakland County.

After 12 years, she still applies the lessons she learned while she was still new to the business.

"We do a deep clean every time, no rotational cleaning," Raffler said. "I am always very picky. This is the way I clean my own house. If I was paying someone to clean my house, that's what I would expect."

Recipient of the ARCSI Residential Cleaning Seal of Excellence as well as Clarkston Best of the Best awards, they make sure each client's whole house is

cleaned, top to bottom, with quality assurance checks every time.

"We constantly talk to our clients," she said. "Our objective is to 'wow' the customer'

She originally had two people cleaning teams, but if one person was sick, that left the other teammate to do the entire job alone

Six months ago they changed to threeperson teams.

"Employees love it. And they can have fun while cleaning and they don't get burnt out," she said.

Team members are all professionally trained, bonded, and insured. Services include weekly, bi-weekly, monthly and 'occasional" house cleanings.

"We do a lot of move-in and move-out cleanings, spring cleaning, graduations, Christmas, Easter and other holidays," she said. "We even leave Chocolate Moose chocolates for you after each clean."

Clarkston Cleaning Services offers free estimates and a satisfaction guarantee.

"We clean everything every time, and we send the same team out to clean your home every time. It just makes sense," she said.

For more information, call Clarkston Cleaning Services at 248-620-9410 or check out their website for spring cleaning specials, clarkstoncleaning.com.





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Community key at Kinetic Systems

Jeff Noftz and Louise Kasl, owners of Kinetic Systems, say "community" is the best part of being Clarkston's community bicycle shop.

The Flying Rhino Cycling Club was started the first year they opened to give their customers fun, new and adventurous opportunities to ride their bicycles.

In particular, people enjoy riding our "back roads." For many this adds a breath of fresh air to their riding experience.

This year's Polar Rhino Ride, held every year on January 1, went to the dogs! It drew 120 participants, 12 pots of homemade chili for a new annual Chili Cook-off, and lots of other fresh goodies.

The most exciting addition, for Jeff and Louise, was turning this event into a fund raiser for our local dog rescue: Canine Companion Rescue Group. They were pleased to have raised \$550 for the group as well as some "Wish List" item donations.

It was great fun to have the dogs and foster volunteers enjoying the festivities at the start of the ride.

Next up is the Mother's Day Back 40 Ride with a focus on the celebration of Mother's Day and family bicycling.

"We keep working to find ways to help people get, or stay, in shape," says Jeff.

Their focus with bicycles is to be sure customers are properly fitted. This is the key to efficiency, comfort and enjoyment of cycling.

In addition to the weekly club rides and workouts, Jeff has set up local Yoga classes, teaches Tai Chi, and coaches indoor winter cycling workouts, and weekly outdoor programs April through October. The Flying Rhino Club and Kinetic Systems also work with and sponsor the Clarkston High School and Clarkston Junior High School cycling teams and clubs.

Another way they contribute to the community is through recycling. Big time! All cardboard, office paper, recyclable plastics, batteries, and metal are recycled.

Non-repairable or un-wanted bicycles are recycled through the Oakland County Sherriff Re-Cycle program. Also, those worn out chains from your well used bikes get a second life through Resource Revival.

This up-cycle business creates all sorts of great, useable items which will soon be available at Kinetics. And they keep going! Through Terra Cycle, energy bar wrappers they collect in a bin at the store are upcycled into a variety of bags and cases.

"We are thrilled to be able to serve this community. To live and share so much of our passions," say Jeff and Louise.

Visit their store for an exciting array of bicycles, gear, active wear clothing, and maybe a greeting by Scooter, the much loved shop cat. He's actually one of three cat residents rescuéd from the area.

Kinetic Systems is located at 60 South Main Street in downtown Clarkston. They are open seven days a week, Monday 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday 12-4 p.m.

Get in touch by phone: 625-7000, email: info@kineticsystemsbicycles.com, or sign up for their email newsletters, like them on Facebook or visit their website: www.kineticsystemsbicycles.com. Better yet - come see them!



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Christina Calka, owner of Village Fashion Boutique.

New and exciting accessories at Village Fashion Boutique

The place for fun, fashion and shopping is Village Fashion Boutique, conveniently located at 6 North Main Street in downtown Clarkston.

Christina Calka, owner, is excited for 2013 after returning from merchandise shows all over the nation. She can't wait to share all fun new clothing and accessories she found.

"I have seen a lot of new amazing lines," she smiled. "It will be a great year with all this new fabulous merchandise coming in."

One of the new lines she is excited about is from Simply Whisper which is made in New York, USA. It is a stainless steel flexible wire bracelet that comes in a set of four, wear one set at a time or create your own multiple piece collection. Customers can choose between silver or 24-carat gold all embellished with Swarovski crystals.

Village Fashion Boutique carries products from many known lines such as Tribal, Neon Buddha, Pure Sweaters, NYDJ, Chalet and accessories from Brighton, My Flat in London, Jimmy Crystal, Anne Koplik, Simply Whisper and tons of fun fashion jewelry.

Calka customers shop for all occasions. Stop in if you're out shopping with your girlfriends, looking for the perfect outfit, need an accessory update, or just to look!aft's also a popular spot for men looking for something special for a special someone. Assistance is always provided and gift wrapping is given.

"Customers like unique items they will not see everywhere else," Calka added "It's a fun place to come visit, it's very girlie and not expected, which I love."

At Village Fashion Boutique, customers can feel at ease because they offer a relaxed atmosphere with no pressure. Calke added she is more than happy to help customers personally pick out clothing and jewelry or let them shop and browse by themselves.

"It's not a high pressure system," she explained. "We want your experience with us to be enjoyable so the next time you're in town you will come back. We are all about providing customer service and giving them what they want and need."

Calka added when she opened the store over two years ago she took what she liked and didn't like about department stores from her own personal experiences and observations. Then, she used those examples to create the atmosphere that's in her store today.

"I think it's huge for me to be here every day and build relationships with my customers," Calka added. "They can see who they are supporting and they know I will do my best to help them. I believe in being honest with people - that's very important to me. If you're honest and not pushy people will love what they buy from you and come back the next time they need something. We send out emails to notify customers about upcoming promotions, new arrivals, sales and retail events but only if you want to be. I want people to want to come here."

She also stays on top of all her customers' fashion desires and handpicks every item in the store.

Village Fashion Boutique also has gift certificates and offers gift wrapping for that extra special touch. They are open Monday, 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, 12-3 p.m.

For more information, please call 248-241-6901 and find them on Facebook - Village Fashion Bourique.

"Every customer is important to me," she added. "I am grateful for everyone who comes in."



Kinetic Systems makes cycling fun!

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Anytime Fitness of Clarkston on Dixie Hwy is the fitness center that fits your on-the-go lifestyle. Our Health Club is conveniently located in your community so you can exercise close to home anytime!

Personal Training Tanning Zumba - R.I.P.P.E.D. - Power Sculpt -Masala - Yoga and Boot Camp Classes are all FREE for Members.



Workout on your time at Anytime Fitness

The time is over for making excuses not to go to the gym. It is time to kick start your fitness, and you can do it with Anytime Fitness, 9685 Dixie Highway in Clarkston.

Anytime Fitness fits into your schedule perfectly because they have 24-hour access to cardiovascular and strength training equipment with a secure environment. They have knowledgeable, certified personal trainers on staff and free fitness classes for their members.

They also have their own personal touches to make them different than other gyms.

"We have a friendly, non-judgmental atmosphere," said Kurt vonKnipper, owner.

"We have a clean environment," added Barb vonKnipper, owner. "We have state of the art equipment with televisions and iPod docks on all the cardio equipment."

Members are treated as one of the family at Anytime Fitness in Clarkston.

"We know them," Barb said. "We know what is going on in their lives. We laugh and joke with them. Heidi Duffy, one of our personal trainers, is always making her clients laugh."

Kurt added it helps especially when they also give their members a boost of motivation.

"We try to give everyone positive reinforcement while they are here," he smiled.

They offer a range of classes for their members throughout the week.

If you are looking for something to kick start you to get you moving and burn calories, try Boot Camp with personal trainer Joshua Tait. The class mixes traditional calisthenics and body weights exercises with internal training, strength training, cardio and plyometrics in a station-to-station format.

Heidi leads members in Power Sculpt and R.I.P.P.E.D. Power Sculpt is also a calorie burning class using gym equipment for a total body workout. It includes segments of cardio internal training and core work to challenge the body.

R.I.P.P.E.D combines Resistance, Intervals, Power, Plyometrics, Endurance and Diet. It is perfect for someone looking to lose pounds and inches, increase metabolism, sculpt muscles, and improve cardiovascular performance while having fun.

They also offer Yoga classes, Zumba and Masala, which is a unique dance mixed with cardiovascular for participants of all ages and fitness levels.

"We strive to give our club members a caring atmosphere with lots of variety to keep their workouts fresh and their time spent in the club a fun and meaningful experience," said Kurt.

Members also have access to Anytime Health, which has workout programs, meal plans/recipes, exercise and calorie counting logs, 24-hour access to personal trainers and merchandise.

Members can also find more on their Facebook page. Heidi gives tips and ideas and also answers questions.

The Anytime Fitness staff is excited for 2013 because people are more aware of health and fitness than they were before.

"The nation as a whole is moving more towards fitness," Kurt added.

"More people are concerned about their health and taking care of their bodies so they live longer," said Barb.

Anytime Fitness partners with companies to help their employees with the cost of their memberships.

They also offer fitness programs for beginner to advance levels, weight loss and nutritional programs and small group training classes.

Anytime Fitness is located at 9685 Dixie Highway. Staffed hours are Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For more information, please call 248-625-3002, visit **anytimefitness.com** and find them on Facebook.



Anytime Fitness instructors are ready to help you get into shape.

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Dan Stiff, club manager, Salli Petherbridge, office manager, Tracy Haslip, bartender, and Terry Ondusky, club president.

County's best kept secret is in Clarkston

Folks driving down Waterford Road know when it's Friday night. That's when they get a delicious whiff of the Friday Night Fish Fry at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, voted Best of the Best four consecutive years by *The Clarkston News*' readers.

The dinner is just \$8 and includes fried or baked wild caught North Atlantic Cod, fried chicken, fries, a hot vegetable, cole slaw, combread, and rolls – all prepared Friday morning.

"Everything is made with the best ingredients and the freshest quality possible," said Dan Stiff, OCSC manager.

The club serves from 5:30 p.m. until $\hat{8} \text{ p.m.}$ Carry out dinners and a nine-piece bucket of chicken are available.

"It is a big draw for when you don't want to cook," Stiff added. "Plus, the fried chicken is great for graduation parties and the summertime."

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club has a full service bar which is open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 4:30 p.m.-11 p.m., and on Sunday 1-9 p.m. The bar kitchen is open Tuesday through Thursday, 5-10 p.m. and Sunday, 1-6 p.m.

They offer the \$5 Bar Kitchen special – burger, fries, and beverage – 4:30-10 p.m., Tuesdays through Thursdays; and 1-6 p.m., Sundays.

"We're the only place in town to do that," Stiff said. "We make our own burger patties from fresh ground beef, never frozen.

Also, Sunday is Burrito Day with giant beef and bean burritos for \$6.

"It is well worth the trip down Waterford Road," Stiff smiled. "It's yummy."

The club also does a breakfast once a month on the second Sunday.

The main building and bar is also used for wedding receptions and private parties. They have a full-time catering staff and reasonable pricing, perfect for any budget. The large space includes a stage for a DJ or band and a large screened porch with beautiful picturesque scenery of the outdoors.

While visiting Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, you can find out why their members enjoy the more than 200 acres and the opportunities offered at the facility.

"It's 245 acres of Up North, surrounded

by suburbia, a good place to be," Stiff said.

Club members do more than hunt – our membership is also filled with target and competition shooters, anglers, outdoorsmen, midget-car racers, and more.

"And we have members who don't partake in any of that. They just like the place," Stiff said. "People enjoy the camaraderie of the club."

They have a 25, 50, and 100 yard outdoor rifle range, an indoor pistol range, outdoor archery ranges, an indoor state-of-the-art archery range, shotgun skeet and trap ranges, a camping area for their members, and lake access to Townsend Lake. They are also home of the Waterford Hills Road Racing, Inc. and the Michigan Midget Racing Association.

"Where in Oakland County can someone go that enjoys shooting - archery, rifle, pistol, muzzle loader," Stiff pointed out. "Where can they shoot archery 24 hours a day or shoot pistol in an air conditioned range? Not one place does everything. Plus the membership dues are only \$230 for the first year with a \$200 annual membership renewal."

The OCSC membership term starts in March. It's a family affair, including the member, spouse and children under the age of 18. The OCSC also offers training sessions for youth.

"Children are our future and we try to do as much as we can to promote the shooting sports. If we don't, it will become a lost art," he added.

The club offers a Junior Rifle program, instructional archery, JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development Program), and their annual Junior Sportsmen's Adventure Day in May.

They have several different events during the year. Their "Terror in Townsend Forest," a haunted forest event, runs every Friday and Saturday night in October. A St. Patrick's Day Warm-up Party is held the Thursday before St. Patty's Day, a "Sportsman Swap Meet" is on March 24, and the club hosts Miracle Box packing parties for Desert Angel, Inc.

OCSC is located at 4770 Waterford Road. For more information, please call 248-623-0444, visit www.ocsclub.org or email ocsclub@sbcglobal.net. B 20 Wed., March 20, 2013 The Clarkston News Progress Edition



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As a Certified Public Accountant providing advisory services, he uses that information to track clients' performance and success to help them take it to the next level.

"I know how to grow smart and move forward," said Sanchez, who specializes in offering personalized financial guidance to local individuals and businesses. "These have been hard times, and I bring years of experience as a CFO and controller in industry. Iknow what small and medium size businesses are going through. I've been there."

His expertise ranges from basic tax management and accounting services to more in-depth engagements, such as contract CFO services, cash flow management, and financing advisory services.

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and Human Services spells out what it looks like."

Technology can help businesses find their way through, he said.

"I embrace it – it can make a huge difference in business," he said. "We'll help businesses bring their accounting into the 21st century."

Companies can save money by using Cloud-Based internet applications for accounting and business processes.

"I can look at the same numbers they're looking at and not be on site," he said. "Almost everything is paperless, it saves staffing costs – helping businesses stay lean and mean."

Sanchez, who earned his CPA in 1995, always knew he wanted to work in business and accounting.

"Finance is in my blood," said Sanchez, whose father was a banker. "I've always been analytical and comfortable with numbers."

Sanchez, who moved to the Clarkston area in 1998, has his office near downtown, 5840 Lorac Drive, Suite 2.

"Oakland County is a beautiful place to live, a good place to raise a family," he said. "Clarkston is a tight knit community, a good place to establish valuable connections."

To make an appointment, call John A. Sanchez, CPA, PLLC, at 248-747-8351, or check www.JSanchezCPA.com.



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"I embrace it – it can make a huge difference in business," he said. "We'll help businesses bring their accounting into the 21st century."

Companies can save money by using Cloud-Based internet applications for accounting and business processes.

"I can look at the same numbers they're looking at and not be on site," he said. "Almost everything is paperless, it saves staffing costs – helping businesses stay lean and mean."

Sanchez, who earned his CPA in 1995, always knew he wanted to work in business and accounting.

"Finance is in my blood," said Sanchez, whose father was a banker. "I've always been analytical and comfortable with numbers."

Sanchez, who moved to the Clarkston area in 1998, has his office near downtown, 5840 Lorac Drive, Suite 2.

"Oakland County is a beautiful place to live, a good place to raise a family," he said. "Clarkston is a tight knit community, a good place to establish valuable connections."

To make an appointment, call John A. Sanchez, CPA, PLLC, at 248-747-8351, or check www.JSanchezCPA.com.



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The Guido's Pizza team includes, standing from left, Assistant Manager Sami Peloquin, General Manager Brian Miller, and owner Del Yeoman, and, in front from left, Nate Jamnik and Rick Bolley.

Top quality pizza at right price at Guido's

The award-winning Guido's Pizza starts with a quality product made fresh every day, but it's the people who make it great.

"I love the pizza business," said General Manager Brian Miller, who has been in the pizza business for six years, two at Guido's. "You can't beat the quality and price – dinner for the whole family with pizza, salad, and beverage, 15-20 minutes for about \$20."

Assistant Manager Sami Peloquin is also key to Guido's success.

"She cares so much about the store," Miller said. "She's not someone who comes in just to do a job. She cares about what we do, to put out a great pizza for our customers. If it's not right, it won't go out."

When choosing employees, owner Del Yeoman looks for employees like Miller and Peloquin, those with experience, friendliness, and professionalism.

"They're doing a fantastic job," Yeoman said. "We've very thrilled to be here to serve the community and we continue to strive to do that."

Catering is also a big part of his business. They cater to graduation parties, weddings, baby showers, and other big events, offering a wide variety of pizza, pasta, chicken, subs, bread, salads, and pop.

"The Stromboli is popular, with a lot of meat and cheese, and it's fun to make," Peloquin said.

They deliver all day, every day to homes, businesses, and schools.

"People don't want to drive in snow and ice, this is convenient for them," she said.

They offer three different sauces, Chunky Tomato, Spicy Fire Roasted, and Guido's Original Recipe.

"Our blend is above the rest," he said. "We are the savory sauce boss. Fire roasted sauce is made with medium salsa, then we kick it up a little bit with hot sauce. It's just delicious."

People also love their thin and crispy crust, and veggie toppings like artichoke and spinach.

"It's all at the request of the customer," he said. "That's why we're here. Our customers are our number one asset.

For more information, call Guido's Pizza, 5960 Sashabaw Road, at 248-620-9999 or check guidospizzaclarkston.com and "Guido's Premium Pizza" on Facebook.

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Take a step back in time at Pine Knob Mansion

"We could not have picked a better venue or a better team to work with. Our guests from around the world are still talking about the beautiful space, friendly staff, and delicious food!" said one of Pine Knob Mansion's recent clients.

The Mansion is a 19-room English Manor built in 1927 by Colonel Sidney Dunn Waldon, former vice-president of Packard Motor Company and Cadillae Motor Company and an aviation pioneer who helped develop the U.S. Air Force during World War I.

From suits of armor and stained glass windows, walking through the beautiful Mansion will make you feel as if you've stepped back in time. It sits on the highest natural point in Southeastern Michigan and is surrounded by exquisite manicured gardens.

The Carriage House was constructed several hundred feet away from The Mansion for the caretaker and his family.

Many people know Pine Knob Mansion as an exquisite banquet facility for weddings, corporate parties and other special events.

Decorated with garland, lights, and wreathes around the holidays, The Mansion's Great Hall is adorned with cathedral ceilings and ceiling-to-floor arched windows offering magnificent views of the grounds.

Holiday Brunches for Christmas feature Santa at The Mansion. Celebrate Easter and Mother's Day with a brunch in the Carriage House on the same grounds.

Holiday Brunches are \$23.95 for adults and feature a large food selection.

The sumptuous buffet offers a mixture of tempting breakfast and lunch dishes. The menu varies but a typical brunch might include a waffle station, an omelet station, 1-2 meat carving stations, fish, potatoes, vegetables, salads, crab legs, muffins, scrambled eggs, bacon, and a dessert bar with cakes, pies, and build-your-own sundaes. You won't leave hungry!

Like The Mansion, The Carriage House is impressive and offers a contemporary feel for your special day.

The golf course is one of Oakland County's premier public golf courses that offers enhanced amenities for your private outing experience.

The 27 hole layout was redesigned in 2008 under the direction of former PGA and current Seniors player, Dan Pohl, with two completely new holes surrounding Fleming's Lake and a new driving range/practice area.

Pine Knob Golf Course offers dramatic elevation changes, tee to green, clubhouse with snack bar/lounge, Pro Shop, beverage earts and halfway house. Our 27 hole championship golf course is great for large golf outings with banquet facilities at The Carriage House.

For more information about The Mansion, The Carriage House, and Golf Club at 5580 Waldon Road, call 248-625-0700 Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., or visit www.pineknobmansion.com.

For the Pro Shop, call 248-625-4430. Find them on Facebook, "Pineknobmansion Carriagehouse and GolfCourse."



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PROGRESS 2013 - WED., MARCH 20, 2013 THE CLARKSTON NEWS - SECTION C Therapeutic benefits with LaVida Massage

LaVida Massage is growing as more people discover the benefits of not only pampering themselves but the therapeutic benefits of regular massage.

"It helps as a preventative therapy," explained Andrea Ryeson, owner. "There is more public awareness and people are taking their health into their own hands. They are becoming their own health advocate."

Ryeson added a massage gets the person in a state of relaxation where the body can best start to repair itself.

"It's a stress reliever," she said. "It is well known that there is a strong correlation between stress and diseases. Who doesn't have room to improve on how they care for themselves? I am finding that people don't want to be on medication to help with the stress, aches and pains especially when you take into consideration the long list of possible damaging side effects. Massage can help decrease anxiety and soothes sore muscless without any of those negative side effects."

Other benefits include help in alleviating emotional stress, enhancing sleep quality, improving circulation and flexibility, relieving tension related headaches, improving posture, lowering blood pressure, improving pain management, lessening discomfort during pregnancy, strengthening immune system, and enhancing post-operative rehabilitation.

"It can also help the body to detox and with lymphatic drainage," she added. "If you wake up with pain in your neck and back or feeling stressed or overwhelmed, come in and get a massage. It really does help. It is personally rewarding to see the relief on our clients' faces after they have received a massage."



Andrea Ryeson and massage therapist Sarah Skipinski.

LaVida Massage offers different types of massages including deep tissue massage, Swedish massage, couples massage, cranial sacral, reiki, reflexology and many other modalities. The LaVida Massage therapists can incorporate hot stone, hot towel, thermal packs, sugar scrubs and aromatherapy into your massage. In addition to massage they also offer a full service menu with facials and waxing.

They have 20 massage therapists, all continue their education to gain more experience to give their clients the best treatment.

"We have one of the best staffs we have ever had," Ryeson added.

She is excited about the future because more people are discovering the benefits of having a massage and the increased benefits of having them on a regular basis.

"The interest, knowledge and demand for organics, holistics and natural therapies are growing at a tremendous rate," she said. "People are looking for something that is going to work, without side effects or just putting a band-aid on the problem. Medications and pain killers tend to mask the problem. Massages don't have side effects and they can help assist the body in the healing process.

"My passion is helping people in a natural way that's not going to harm them in another way," said Ryeson. "It is highly motivating for me to see people beginning to experience and know there are other alternatives out there."

LaVida offers high quality massages for affordable rates for the whole family. They also have "The Life" - a benefit program for clients with no long term contract. The benefits include one 60-minute massage or facial per month, and an even deeper savings on additional sessions each month and the ability to share the benefits of the program with a family member.

"Our customers know they are going to get world class massage but at a price anyone can afford," said Ryeson. "We wanted to make it affordable so that our clients can come in more on a regular basis and afford them the opportunity to take care of themselves. We really do care about our clients. It isn't about business here. Many times it all just starts with one family member and we end up treating the whole family and their friends. We see clients from 6-years-old and 90. Many young athletes are noticing the benefits as well."

The first visit for new customers is only \$39.95 for a 60-minute massage session. Gift cards are also available and make great gifts.

LaVida Massage, located at 5880 Sashabaw Road, is open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome.

For more information, call 248-625-7300 or visit www.clarkston.mi.lavidamassage.com.



Dr. Tracey Thompson and Dr. Rosa Mirijanian value their patients.

High quality urgent care

"The patient's care is very important to us," said Dr. Rosa Mirijanian of Independence Urgent Care.

The owners of Independence Urgent Care have practiced in the community for many years and have established a high standard.

Urgent Care - also known as immediate care - bridges the gap between the injury that's too urgent to wait for the family physician and the life-threatening situation that requires a trip to the emergency room. In most cases, patients only have a wait of fifteen minutes or less.

The high quality care you'll receive at Independence Urgent Care is coordinated with your primary care physician. So, you know you're getting care uniquely suited to your health concerns.

"Our urgent care is unique because we follow up with our patients with a phone call to check on their condition within a few days of their visit to our office," Mirijanian explained.

They offer a very friendly, courteous and proficient staff to help make your visit both a pleasant and rewarding experience.

"I try to put my patients at ease," said Pediatrician Tracey Thompson, who prides herself on the nurturing and friendly relationships she develops with children who come

to her for care.

"I love practicing in Clarkston," Thompson said. Independence Urgent Care participates in many community events including holiday parades, health fairs, and the July 4th festival.

Independence Urgent Care is dedicated to making health care affordable. Facing an urgent illness or injury should not create a financial burden for a patient or the patient's family. You can benefit from significant cost savings using Independence Urgent Care versus a hospital - without sacrificing quality of care.

"We keep up with the latest medical advancements to provide good care," Mirijanian said.

Independence Urgent Care is excited that they can continue to grow and accommodate the needs of the community. Healthcare is changing, and it is important for physicians to be a part of the change to improve the quality of care for everyone.

Find Independence Urgent care on Facebook or check www.independenceurgentcare.com.

Their location at 7192 North Main Street is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call 248-384-8600. C 2 Wed., March 20, 2013 The Clarkston News Progress Edition



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Kevin Gott, Michelle Thomas, Bob Gott, Jr., Bob Gott, Sr., Rick Verscheure, Brian McClure and Vinnie Ventimiglia keep the family tradition of great service alive in Clarkston.

Celebrating 50 Years of Quality Service at Gott's Auto

Gott's Auto Service marks their 50th year in business this spring, the last 33 of those years being located in the Clarkston community.

Throughout the years, the vehicles have changed but their tradition of integrity and quality of service to customers has never wavered.

"We have always satisfied our customers and we make them happy to the best of our ability," said owner Robert Gott, Sr.

"Our knowledge, our integrity and our honesty is what keeps our customers coming back," he continued. "People like coming to us because they can trust us. We value their trust and keep up the work ethic they expect from us."

The community appreciates the hard work Mr. Gott and his technicians put in to each vehicle and have shown their loyalty with return visits and also by referring others to Gott's services.

"We are now seeing second and even some third generations of families coming to us for their vehicle repairs," Mr. Gott said.

Gott's interest in auto mechanics surfaced when he was in high school. After he graduated he worked at a car repair shop in Detroit.

Gott's Auto Service was born when the owner retired and Gott took over the business in 1963.

In the seventies, he traveled between Detroit and Ortonville after opening a restaurant. But being a restaurant owner wasn't for him.

"I found I liked auto repair service better," he said.

He came to Clarkston after receiving a tip one of his restaurant employees gave him. "She was in real estate and knew a guy

who wanted to retire," Gott explained.

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He took a look at the shop and knew it

was where he wanted to bring Gott's Auto Service.

Since 1980, the building has grown as well as his staff to better serve the area. Sons Kevin and Bob, Jr. both joined the family business when they were 14-years-old for part-time work and now add the vast knowledge they have acquired to Gott's Auto Service.

It is that knowledge and experience that helps customers understand what the problem is with their vehicle and what needs to be done to repair it.

Also part of the family are Brian McClure, Vinnie Ventimiglia and Rick Verscheure on the service team and Michelle Thomas, office manager.

"We have a really good group of technicians on our staff," said Robert, Sr. "They work hard on everything from a routine oil change to tracing electrical and computer system malfunctions.

"We continue to grow with today's technological advances," he continued. "Vehicles have evolved so much in the last 30 years. When I came in to the business we were working with ignition points and condensers. Now it's a lot more involved and complicated with the integration of so many computerized components.

"We always do our best to solve the prob-Jengs with the vehicles even if it's an intermittent issue," he added. "We are proud of our quality repairs, honesty and our customer service and satisfaction."

Gott's Auto Service is a certified Napa Auto Care Center, working on all domestic and select foreign vehicles.

Gott's Auto Service is located at 5709 Maybee Road, open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call 248-623-0119 or visit www.gottsauto.com. The Clarkston News Progress Edition Wed., March 20, 2013 3 C



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Tom Lowrie, owner of Lowrie's Landscaping, can handle all your outdoor design needs.

Lowrie's: Landscaping and more (think swimming pools)

In his blue jeans and flannel shirt, Tom Lowrie leans back in his office chair.

He's just been asked the question, "Tell me something about your business most folks don't know about."

He's been the owner of Lowrie's Landscaping on Dixie Highway since 1979 and one might think locals know all about Tom's business. He answers the question, likity-split.

"Swimming pools. People don't know we do in-ground swimming pools. Installers do a great job, but when it comes down to design, usage, drainage – we take the entire environment into consideration and prepare a professional design before the installation without a price mark-up. We've been around pools for years," he said.

Lowrie has weathered the down economy by being more efficient, keeping a core group of 15-20 workers and keeping in tune with technology.

You might ask, 'It's landscaping, Tom. You move dirt. How does technology affect your business?' To which the silver-haired Lowrie will answer something like, "A shovel is still a shovel, but digitally we have been able to really help our customers visualize what we're thinking. We now offer 3-D design, which gives people a life-like look. It's really pretty amazing."

Lowrie is also using digital/computer technology to help promote his business. Aside from the obvious web and Facebook pages, he is going one step further. "This spring I am going to bring Lowrie's Landscaping into peoples' living room with a local HGTV-like show. We're going to give tips and show some of my projects from start to finish. Before, during and after. It'll be fun and entertaining."

Look for the show to air this spring on ClarkstonTV.com and cable access.

Lowrie's is the area's premier landscaping, literally a one-stop shop for all exterior projects including outdoor kitchens, poolscapes and patios.

For more information call Lowries Landscaping at 248-625-8844, visit them online at www.lowrieslandscape.com and like 'em on Facebook, www.facebook.com/ pages/lowries-landscape-inc.

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For Suzie Bennett, owner of Plum Hollow Design Studio, it's all about offering professional help for all your home decorating and interior design needs.

"A professional designer can help you avoid costly mistakes by getting it right the first time, and within your budget," Bennett said. "We offer more personal service here at better prices."

In Clarkston for 20 years, Bennett joined Lowrie's Landscape in 2010. Each room in the historic house at 9539 Dixie Highway showcases a different aspect of home design, from living room to dining room and kitchen. Furniture and lighting is arranged to show all the different designs, window treatments, wall coverings and decor, fine rugs, custom bedding, bathroom tile, and color schemes, as well as gift ideas for all walks of life.

"lt's a great location," she said. "lt's a great place to see what's available and check

out ideas in the comfort of a home setting."

Bennett and designers she works with are experts at projects of all size, from choosing the right paint color for the living room to redecorating the whole house, complete with floor plan to ensure new furniture fits correctly before moving them in.

"Designers bring their clients here to a convenient, comfortable location," she said. "All the resources you need are here. It's a one-stop shop."

They take into account clients' tastes, likes and dislikes, and coordinate exciting new ideas with existing furnishings.

"We'll work with you to make your house a beautiful home," she said. "Everybody is different. We'll help you create a unique look, specific to you."

For expert home design help, call Plum Hollow Design Studio, 9539 Díxie Highway, at 248-620-9000 or check www.plumhollowdesignstudio.com.



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Our staff is committed to providing patients with friendly and personalized skilled care as demonstrated by their national specialty certifications.

Ryan Bean DPT, OMPT, OCS is a boardcertified orthopedic specialist and has an orthopedic manual therapy certification specializing in the spine and extremities. He has been with NovaCare for nine years. Ryan works closely with Brenda Ressler, a licensed Physical Therapist Assistant with over 17 years experience.

Natalie Karpovich MPT, CHT is a boardcertified hand therapist with nine years of clinical experience. In addition to traditional physical therapy, she specializes in treatment of wrist/hand injuries and surgeries. She works closely with Rachelle Avery a licensed Physical Therapist Assistant, who has been treating for six years.

When you stop in or call for an' appointment, you will be greeted by ourfriendly patient service specialist, Heather H. She has been with us for nine years as well

NovaCare has several rehabilitation programs including aquatics (pool therapy) used for a multitude of injuries including back pain, fibromyalgia, and rheumatoid arthritis to mention a few.

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Natalie Karpovich MPT. CHT

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We would enjoy showing you our facility and answering any questions you may have so you can see that there really is quality care close to home.

patients who are undergoing or have completed their chemo/radiation therapy. After patients have completed their prescribed physical therapy, we offer a post-therapy fitness "after-care" or program for our

patients to enjoy and continue their path to healthier and happier life.

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Lil' Peoples' Place

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Fun and learning at Lil' People's Place

The sound of excited children fills the rooms at Lil' Peoples' Place, as they learn in a fun environment. With the excitement, there is an acclaimed curriculum and experienced and loving staff. Lil' Peoples' Place was voted Best of the Best Daycare by The Clarkston News' readers in 2012, and it is apparent why; by the fun the children are having.

Lil' Peoples' Place has served the Clarkston community since 1998 and has become a name the community trusts in child care. The center is privately owned by co-owners Sharlene Butler and Adli Dasuqi and has an experienced and loving staff available with Erin Wolford, director; Nancy Morgan, assistant director; and Becky Miller, business manager.

"These three are the real backbone of my management staff," Butler added, "They are rock solid."

Many of the children have grown up with the staff since most of the employees have worked there for at least five years. Some employees have worked for Lil' Peoples' Place as many as 12 years. Miller contributes the small staff turnover to how they treat their staff and parents with respect.

"It is a family atmosphere," she added. "We listen to their ideas and make sure they feel they are active participants in our program."

The highly acclaimed curriculum focuses on enhancing each child's socialization, creativity, language, and decision-making skills, while building self-esteem and self-worth,

LPP also has a Summer Camp Program for school-aged children, whom parents and children love, said Butler.

They have yet another exciting summer

planned for 2013 with new educational and fun activities for the children to do.

Parents can feel secure leaving their children at Lil' Peoples' Place because safety is top priority. "It is our goal to provide security and peace of mind to parents by offering a consistent and loving atmosphere."

They have a state of the art entry into the building, limiting access into the center. The building has webcams, which are secured and have restricted internet access. Parents can view the day's activities from their home or work computers. The facility is also located in a safe, residential neighborhood near I-75 but away from the busy streets and intersections.

Children also receive nutritious snacks. breakfast and lunch every day at Lil' Peoples' Place, "We have the best chef," Butler smiled. "We offer a hot and nutritious breakfast and lunch. Our chef worked at a public school previously and has added a ton of healthy and fun options for our children."

Lil' Peoples' Place also supports community events and activities and has sponsored Independence Township Parks & Recreation baseball teams in the summer.

"We look forward to supporting different community events," says Butler. They also offer specials and incentives for their current parents for their referrals.

"Our high enrollment is based mainly on parent referrals and we feel our families are why we are #1," Wolford adds.

Lil' Peoples' Place is located at 6475 Waldon Center Drive.

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Karen Roby reads to her Pre-Kindergarten class.



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Clients can count on attorney Jeffrey A. Smolek

Jeffrey A. Smolek of Clarkston, attorney and counselor at law, puts the personal in personal injury litigation.

"The big thing for me is to give my clients my personal attention," Smolek said. "If I put my name on a case, I'm the person who's going to be handling it, not handing it off to someone else. That's important. I believe that is what people should expect from their attorney."

Clients seeking compensation after a trafficcollision, fall, dog bite, other accident or employment discrimination have direct access to Atorney Smolek in order to make the best decisions in their cases.

"It's important for clients to know what's going on in their case so they understand their options," said Smolek, whose goal is to be the go-to personal injury attorney in north Oakland County. "I put my cell phone number on my business card. I'm not available every second, but I'll get back to you as soon as possible with at least with a message, letting you know when I will be. That's how I want it, to be there for my clients."

Consultations regarding personal injury matters are free, and personal injury and

discrimination matters are handled on a contingent fee basis – there is no attorney fee unless you win.

"I'll meet with clients wherever and whenever they'd like," he said. "When I help someone, it's very rewarding for me professionally. In a personal injury case, if I can help someone keep a roof over their head and feed their kids, that's a very rewarding thing to do."

He provides the same personal attention to business clients, handling corporate formations, partnership agreements, contract issues, and other general business litigation and consulting, as well as a variety of employment related matters.

Attorney Smolek does not charge for an initial phone consultation - "Call me with questions – I'm happy to talk, give you my preliminary thoughts and at least try and point you in the right direction," he said.

He started practicing law in 1995 in Troy at a medium size law firm, representing insurance companies, businesses, and individuals primarily on the defense side of personal injury matters.

"I understand how insurance companies assess cases, knowledge I now use on the other side of the table to help my clients," he said.

He became a partner in a practice in Troy in 2006, and opened his own practice in downtown Clarkston in 2010.

"It's something I've always wanted, my own practice in my own town," said Smolek. "I can handle the cases I want to handle the way I want to handle them, and balance time with my family. That's a very important thing to me."

He moved to Clarkston with his wife and their three sons, ages 7, 10, and 12, in 2001.

"We love Clarkston, skiing at Pine Knob in the winter and paddleboarding on Deer Lake in the summer," he said. "We do a lot with our boys. I coach their various sports teams and I'm a Cub Scout den leader – in a few years, they'll be doing their own thing. I want to be there as much as I can be for them while I can."

Call Jeffrey A. Smolek, PLLC, 20 W. Washington St. Suite 4A, at 248-625-5373.



Jeffrey A. Smolek of Clarkston, general business and personal injury attorney and counselor at law.



Mesquite Creek offers many tasty dishes for lunch, such as the Prime Rib French Dip.

Recharge for lunch at Mesquite Creek

Next time it is lunchtime, take a break from the fast food line and head to Mesquite Creek for a delicious change and great service.

They offer lunch Mondays through Saturday from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. with a menu full of sandwiches, salads, pastas, steak and entrees from the Mesquite Creek favorites.

"If you are looking for a place to have a fantastic lunch for a great price with awesome service, this is the place to be," said Tony Vitale, general manager.

"We have a completely different menu than we do for dinner. We have 20 lunch items, not appetizers, under 20 dollars."

They have added a new item called the Steakhouse Salad. It is mixed greens with crumbled Bleu Cheese and red onion topped with rare, blackened New York strip, diced cucumber and tomato.

They have quite a few sandwiches for everyone's taste buds. Sandwiches only available for lunch include the Tumbleweed Turkey, Portabella Mushroom, Pacific Snapper, Texas Chicken, Hot Hungarian Peppers and Sausage and Prime Rib French Dip.

Vitale added his new favorite sandwich is the Prime Rib French Dip. It is hand shaved prime rib topped with cheese and sautéed onions with au jus dip.

"It is a monster of a sandwich," he smiled. "It is filled with all the fatty goodness of prime rib. It is phenomenal. If you like prime rib, you will love this sandwich."

They also have their Old Fashioned Burger and Spicy Fish Tacos available for lunch or dinner.

Vitale said the new craze is the Spicy Fish Tacos, which were added last year. It includes three crust battered Pacific snapper tacos stuffed with Chef Heinz' spicy slaw served with Chipotle aioli and salsa Carmen.

"This salsa is awesome," he said. "We first noticed it when Carmen, one of our employees, used to bring it in for lunch for us. We ended up tasting it and everyone became addiced to it. If you don't like spicy you won't like it. It is fantastic and with these tacos it is something special."

Available for lunch and dinner is a special from Chef not found on the menu, which is quickly becoming a popular dish. It is a hand cut 22-ounce rib eye.

"He cuts it by hand and these steaks grill up to be the most delicious steaks I have ever had," Vitale smiled. "It's served with our Zip sauce and Chef's Homemade Chimichurri sauce. It's so large we had to buy new plates for it."

Mesquite Creek has also revamped their Happy Hour menu. They have Happy Hour Monday through Friday, 4-6 p.m. and a reversed Happy Hour, Thursday through Saturday, 9 p.m. to close, when they have specials on drinks and food.

Delicious food items on the Happy Hour menu are Main Street Tacos, Nachos, Spicy Lettuce Wraps, Peel 'n Eat Shrimp and the Italian Sausage or Meatball Grinder.

The Spicy Lettuce Wrap is a smaller portion of their popular dish. The Main Street Tacos are do-it-yourself with a choice between steak or chicken, served with Chef's spicy slaw, red cabbage, cilantro and salsa Carmen.

"I did it because it's something I look for when I go out," said Vitale.

"I am the kind of person who likes to snack a little bit and hang out with friends. We are striving to have that environment that puts fun and food first."

Mesquite Creek is located at 7228 N. Main Street in Clarkston. They are open Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.; and Sunday, 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.

For more information, call 248-620-9300, email info@mesquitecreek.com, or look for them on Facebook.

"There is a lot of new stuff coming and a lot of small changes and tweaks people will notice," Vitale said. "I am looking forward to having a lot of fun. I am excited about this year. I look forward to seeing everybody soon." The Clarkston News Progress Edition Wed. March 20, 2013 9 C

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C 10 Wed., March 20, 2013 The Clarkston News Progress Edition Baylis Animal Hospital: Treat others as you want to be treated'

At Baylis Animal Hospital, 50 S. Ortonville Road, Dr. Lincoln Baylis and his happy staff care about your pet and they care about you. It's hard to believe Dr. Baylis recently celebrated the 5th Anniversary since the opening of his still sparkling clean, state-of-the-art facility.

Being a veterinarian for 20 years, Dr. Baylis tells us he still loves his work, his patients and their owners.

In these difficult economic times, he is known in the community to give the best healthcare for pets, while keeping costs at a minimum. Dr. Baylis often hears clients tell him that he gives them the "best bang for their buck." He offers a variety of different options for patient care based on financial constraints. His understanding is appreciated by the clients to whom he is dedicated.

Dr. Baylis treats many pets with cancer. Oncology has been an interest to him for many years. "Many vets are reluctant to treat cancer patients and refer their patients to specialists," he said. "I have had training in treating cancer and have had additional education with those specialists, so I am comfortable working with these patients." Dr. Baylis keeps up on the lat-



From left: Christine Carlson, Heather Sergent, Pam Warden, Tammy Wagoner, Angie Baylis, and Dr. Lincoln Baylis.

est advancements in the animal oncology field, removes tumors, and offers chemotherapy treatments. "We can definitely achieve quality of time for challenging situations."

Baylis Animal Hospital is managed by Dr. Baylis' wife, Angie. She is also a dental hygienist and often performs dental cleanings on pets. "People don't realize the importance of good dental health and how it can contribute to other health problems and diseases if not treated properly, and with frequent dental cleanings," said Dr. Baylis.

Nutrition, he notes, plays a large role in animal's health and well-being and is taken very seriously at Baylis Animal Hospital.

Geriatric medicine is another specialized field for Dr. Baylis, who enjoys working with elderly animals, many who other veterinarians have given up on. "Just because an animal is aging does not make them less worthy of care," he said. "There is a lot that can be done to better their quality of life. Animals have aches and pains just as humans do, and much can be done to make pets happier and more comfortable as they age."

Dr. Baylis is very thankful and appreciative for the support of the community these past 5 years. His practice continues to grow, even during these difficult economic times. The state-of-the-art facility is well-equipped to handle emergency patients. A lot of his patients have followed him from Rochester and many come from Clarkston, Davison, Goodrich and Ortonville. "Recently we have had a lot of patients transfer to our office and we make it simple for our clients to transfer their records. Our goal is to try to accommodate people's busy schedules by meeting them before office hours, or we stay open late if needed. House calls are also available for more routine procedures."

Baylis Animal Hospital, 50 S. Ortonville Road, is open 8:00 a.m.- 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 8:00-5:00 p.m. Friday, and 8:00-1:00 p.m. Saturday. 248-627-5500 or baylisanimalhospital.com.





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Northern Grill the best burger place in town?

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"We start off with quality ingredients," Kurko said. "We use Certified Angus Beef that is 80 percent angus beef."

He also said their product is never frozen, and they also stuff the ingredients inside the burger, so customers can get "The Firehouse," "Black & Blue," "Swiss & Mushroom," or the "Southwestern" burger on a pretzel bun plus fries all for \$7.95.

"We have a high end product we're selling at a reasonable price," Kurko said.

Kurko said the grill has been a family business for about fifty years and the building itself, which was originally a stagecoach stop, has been in continual operation for more than 120 years.

"My grandfather was here, my

What makes Sportsmens Great mother and father were here, I'm here and I have two daughters," he said. "Hopefully that will be the next generation.

> Another key to successful business is "having long term employees that are dedicated.'

> "We have double digit employees that have been here for years and years and years as well as generations, children of the employees that are working here too," he said.

> Kurko's never worked in another industry but the food business.

> "What I love about the food business is it's a people's business. Whether it's entertainment, food, relaxation whatever their needs are," he said. "They come in with needs and hopefully I can fulfill them."

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Something for everyone at Leo's Coney Island

Since opening its doors in Clarkston seven years ago, Leo's Coney Island has learned a great deal from those who walk in. "We are always listening to input from our customers and in doing so, have even created a Clarkston special menu," said owner Nashwan Quray.

Whether you stop in for breakfast, lunch, or dinner, Leo's Coney has great food at a great price with fast and friendly service.

Start your morning out with a Greek Feta, Gyro, or Mexican omelette with a side of hash browns and toast. Satisfy your sweet tooth with some Chocolate Chip Pancakes or French toast with ham, bacon, or sausage on the side.

For lunch, enjoy Leo's classic Coney smothered with chili, sprinkled with onions, topped with mustard, and served on a steamed bun. Try something new by taking a bite out of one of Leo's patty melts, salmon or turkey burgers, or indulge in a Bleu Cheese BLT burger with a side of fries.

Not feeling like a coney or burger? Taste customer favorites like fish and chips made from hand-dipped cod filets or a Club Wrap made with turkey, bacon, lettuce, tomato and mayo.

Leo's even has Greek Specialties on their menu such as Chicken Gyro dinners, Mousaka, and Pastitsio. If you're watching your waistline, Leo's has lots of healthy alternatives like their Tuna Platter, Michigan Salad, or Gardenburger.

From their variety of soups, pitas, and conies there's an item on the menu to suit anyone's taste.

Finish off with a delicious dessert of Baklava, Hot Fudge Cream Puff, or Banana Split. "Our menu is very large and always expanding, so there is always something for everyone," Quray points out. "So much of what we do is geared toward the wants and needs of our customers. We are open to suggestions, and almost every request is fulfilled, especially when it comes to getting new menu items," he added.

The numerous items on Leo's menu come at great prices, and customers are regularly offered discounts. For example, "we send out coupons and run different specials every month ranging from \$2.49 breakfasts to buy one get one half off entrees," said Quray.

Every Thursday night is Kid's Night, and from 5 to 8 p.m., Wilma the Balloon Waitress is at Leo's Coney to paint faces and make balloon animals for the kids free of charge.

Not only does Leo's Coney Island promise to take good care of their customers, they're also committed to their community. "We try to be as involved in the community as we possibly can," Quray said. "It's important for us to show them how much we appreciate their continued support."

Leo's Coney offers discounts to customers with a Wolves card and regularly works with local schools and other groups in the community with fundraisers, donations, and sponsorships.

Visit Leo's Coney Island at 6325 Sashabaw Road Monday through Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call 248-620-5122 or check online at www.leosconeyisland.com.

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This year, 2013, is a year Sherman Publications, Inc., publishers of this newspaper, is looking inward and outward. We are asking ourselves, "are we relevant?" And, we are challenging our business community, "are you relevant?"

We often ask local business owners, "what are you doing to excite and inform customers?" So, it was only fair, that we asked ourselves the same questions. Here's what we came up with.

Why We Are Relevant

Your award-winning newspaper, on a weekly basis, connects individuals in the community, to other individuals, groups and businesses in the community. We accomplish this with award-winning writing and photography. We do this by attending and reporting on local school and government meetings.

We go to sporting events: service club events; and local business events. We read local police reports. We publish public notices (notices local governments use to inform the citizenry of law changes, tax increases and the like). We publish church news, club news, and business news -- a smorgasbord of local events. Free of charge, we run engagement, wedding, anniversary and birth announcements.

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We are relevant not only because we praise the wonderfulness of our community, but because we point out our warts, too. Our newspaper is not a rah-rah. happy-happy, chamber-of-commercenothing-is-wrong-with-us cheerleader. No, we are merely a leader, connecting and informing our community.

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We're also relevant because we offer local small businesses a means of connecting and networking with other local small business owners through our weekly Coffee Clubs, Upwards to 100 people a week attend these networking events. If you are a business owner and have not made it to a Coffee Club, you are doing vourself (and your business) a disservice. It costs you nothing but your time. Watch the paper for times and locations.

We have also expanded our reach with the monthly, four-color couponer magazine, The Big Deal. The Big Deal is a beautifully printed magazine, jam-packed with local coupons. We have extended The BD's reach to include all of Orion. Oxford and Addison townships, too. BAM!

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There is no reason for you not to feel connected in this community.

We are giving you all the tools, all the vehicles you need to know, support and build this wonderful community. All you got to do, is use them. Support your local newspaper!

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At Ottawa Park Cemetery family always comes first

A sense of peace can be found in the country atmosphere of Ottawa Park Cemetery.

While walking along the paths and through the memorial gardens, the sight of wild turkey and deer creates a sense of serenity.

Even under a blanket of white snow, the Ottawa Park Cemetery is a therapeutic space managed by Superintendent Pablo Cruz, who has over 30 years of experience.

"My job is to make families feel comfortable," said Cruz, who makes certain those making funeral arrangements don't leave without all their questions answered.

Cruz and his experienced, professional staff treat families with compassion during the challenging grieving process. They encourage loved ones to avoid making emotional decisions and emphasize pre-need planning.

From their point of view, when a path is provided for loved ones to follow in times of sorrow, confusion can be eliminated and possible misunderstanding can be avoided.

The Ottawa Park Cemetery embraces and appreciates the involvement of employees who are in harmony with the determination of management to adhere to the concepts of moral and ethical positioning at all times.

After meeting with a family service counselor, families can view sections available for burial spaces.

Ottawa Park Cemetery offers traditional burials, inurnments, entombments, burial

spaces, and grave services. Families can purchase from a variety of urns, monuments, markers, and vaults when planning a funeral service.

The beautiful setting at the Ottawa Park Cemetery is accentuated by landscaped spaces like the new Garden of Peace. Families are encouraged to name the gardens throughout the cemetery.

In addition, loved ones can plant a tree in memory of the deceased, which is why Ottawa Park Cemetery is dotted with Red Maples and pines marking living memorials.

This will add a personal memento as well as enhance the beauty of the landscape at the cemetery.

Flowers like petunias and chrysanthemums also add color and beauty to landscape that is well maintained throughout the seasons.

Winter grave decorations are also available. The Ottawa Park Cemetery's Winter Grave Decoration Program allows you to choose from a variety of grave blankets, wreaths, and bouquets to place at your loved one's grave or crypt.

The goal of Ottawa Park Cemetery is to create a resting place of beauty, peace and serenity forever.

They are open to all denominations and nationalities and are happy to work with any funeral home.

The Ottawa Park Cemetery office is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Call 248-758-3977 or visit www.pontiaccemeteries.com.



Ottawa Park Cemetery is a peaceful, therapeutic place.



The Captain's Club at Woodfield in Grand Blanc team, standing from left, Executive Chef Denny Dowdall and Food & Beverage Banquet Manager Brian Jelinski, and, sitting from left, Director of Golf Mike Cunningham, Event Coordinator Kerri Pruitt, and Assistant Golf Professional Ryan Parenteau.

Ray Floyd signature golf, fine cuisine at The Captain's Club at Woodfield

An Up North golfing experience isn't far – just 10 minutes up I-75 to The Captain's Club at Woodfield in Grand Blanc.

"It's surrounded by woods away from the city, a good place to get away and play golf," said Ryan Parenteau, assistant golf pro. "It's a nice course at a great value."

The 18-hole championship golf course is designed by PGA Touring Professional Raymond Floyd, the only Signature Golf Course in the area, and one of only a handful in the state.

It offers a mix of open non-parallel fairways, large undulating greens, water, and wetlands with a set of tees for every caliber of golfer.

"The course is well maintained – we keep conditions perfect, always in good shape," said Mike Cunningham, director of golf.

"The course is fair to all skill levels while still being challenging," Parenteau said.

The award-winning course, including Best Golf Course 2011 award by the Grand Blanc View, Favorite Public Golf Course, Flint Journal, 2011, as well as Best Places to Play award from Golf Digest, offers a full-service pro shop. Features include video-analysis golf instruction, club repair, and static and dynamic club fitting and ball fitting using computer analysis, and a multi-platform driving range with practice sand trap.

Celebrating its 20-year anniversary, The Captain's Club at Woodfield is also a great place for weddings, birthday and anniversary parties, reunions, graduations, and other special events.

"We're busy year round – in December we are typically booked every day with weddings and Holiday parties," said Kerri Pruitt, event coordinator.

The Captain's Club banquet facility has

been awarded the 2011, 2012, and 2013 Best of Weddings from *The Knot* magazine, 2012 Best of the Best Wedding Venue as well as Favorite Banquet Facility by the *Grand Blanc View*, and 2012 Brides Choice Award from *The Wedding Wire*.

The Knot magazine national awards are based on reviews by past clients.

"It's a big accomplishment," Pruitt said. "We pride ourselves on going above and beyond for our brides, whatever it takes to make the bride happy."

With an outdoor pavilion and gazebo as well as a grand ballroom indoors, it's an allin-one location, Pruitt said.

"Guests come here and stay until the end of the evening, but they're not stuck in one spot – the wedding ceremony can be outdoors in the pavilion and gazebo overlooking a scenic pond, and reception moves inside to the ballroom," Pruit said.

Floyd's Restaurant, located within the clubhouse, features the culinary talents of Executive Chef Denny Dowdall, and Sous Chef Frank Klauka.

Dinner menu includes their signature dish, Floyd's Gournet Macaroni & Cheese, as well as Atlantic Salmon, Chicken Piccata, Cajun Cavatappi, and other gournet dishes. Some of these dinner choices are included in Floyd's everyday "2 for \$25" menu, which includes 2 entries and a bottle of wine, for \$25. Floyd's also features casual fare like pizza and sandwiches for golfers on the go. "Bring a newspaper and enjoy the

scenery on our veranda," Pruitt said.

Book a tee time at The Captain's Club at Woodfield, 10200 Woodfield Drive, Grand Blanc, at 810-695-GOLF (4653); book an event, 810-695-5555; and for dinner reservations, call 810-695-5555.



Our Ray Floyd Signature 18 hole golf course is a semi-private golf course open to the public. Our primary function is to offer a great golf product at a reasonable price with customer service and a standard of excellence that a golfer expects. Our customers are #11 The Captain's Club at Woodfield ownership and management has chosen a long term strategic plan to deliver food and beverage services properly positioned for golfers and quality golf course conditions at a great value. For those players that desire "just golf" at a reasonable price, we are the facility you desire. If you are interested in learning more about our Green Fees and or Membership Programs, please visit our Public Green Fees or Membership Information Page for more details!

The Captain's Club Event Coordinators work with each person individually to ensure an exceptional event. We host spectacular events such as anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, showers, reunions, proms, sports banquets, holiday parties,

memorial/funeral luncheons, business luncheons, Seminars, Medical Conference, wedding ceremonies and receptions. Thinking of having a conference, meeting or fundraising event? The Captain's Club will assist you in coordinating your special occasion and is conveniently located near I-75, Flint, and Grand Blanc surrounding areas.

Voted Best Golf Course 2011 by the Grand Blanc View, Favorite Public Golf Course - The Flint Journey in 2011. Awarded the Golf Digest Award, The Captains Club banquet facility has

been award Best of Weddings from the Knot Magazine in 2011 & 2012. Voted Best of the Best Wedding Venue as well as Favorite Banquet Facility by Grand Blanc View 2012, Brides Choice Award form the Wedding Wire in 2012 and Best of Wedding





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It's fast approaching two years since a massive flood devastated basketball and volleyball players at Basketball America. But that didn't stop owner Jim Otto from staying open - It made his determination to operate a top-notch facility that much stronger.

Since the flood back in July 2011, a complete remodel has taken place. The biggest (and best) part of the project is the new courts they had installed.

"The new courts are amazing! They are a floating, hardwood maple, and it makes it so nice to play on. It's tailored to an athlete - easy on the joints and more versatile for every kind of player."

The courts aren't the only improvement. The birthday party room, the bathrooms, the kitchen and more were completely remodeled. The birthday room was expanded to twice its size, which allows for bigger birthday parties; something every kid wants!

"Parents love that they don't have to limit the number of kids who are invited to their child's birthday party. And we love to see them all out here having fun,"



Joe Escobedo, left, keeps a watchful eve on Manny Pacheco as he practices some drills during a coaching session.

said Otto.

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Girls - Monday Games

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Boys - Wednesday Games

Ages: 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-16



loves this business. Not only do they offer youth and adult leagues for basketball and volleyball, there is open gym, weekly skills clinics,

basketball and vollevball.

"Many of the kids who

play here go on to make

their middle school, high

school, and even college

teams. I love it when we

start off coaching

someone at such a

grow and learn and really

"They always come

back to thank us for

helping them make the

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With such great

we've assisted them."

private lessons, birthday parties, AAU tournaments, and a fully stocked, delicious ·grill kitchen.

"I love being a part of this community. It's really made the past 20 years great," Otto commented.

Also in the works is a big anniversary party. Otto said plans are being made for the April celebration and it will be something everyone can enjoy.

A Spring Break Volleyball Camp is coming soon. Session One is on Tuesday. April 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Session Two is on Thursday, April 4, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. A Spring Break Basketball Clinics will be held on Monday, April 1 from 11 a.m to 2 p.m. and on Wednesday April 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$30 for one session and \$50 for both.

Basketball America, located at 257 W. Clarkston Rd., is open from 9 a.m. to Midnight, seven days a week.

Reduced rates are available Sunday mornings and each night after 9 p.m. They can be reached at (248) 693-5858 or online at bballamerica.com.

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And have fun they do! Since opening almost 20 years ago, Otto said they have seen multiple kids go on to play school

HARDWOOD CITY

Begin your future at Marketti

Marketti Academy of Cosmetology celebrates six years of providing quality education, affordable salon services and industry ready graduates.

As Marketti Academy dives deeper into 2013 it is only getting more exciting as more students begin or finish their education.

"It's always exciting to me, the students who want this as a career and the growth we see," said Allison Murphy, admissions director.

"I am excited because it's something I have wanted to do since I was 7-years-old," smiled Nancy Hannawa, a senior student. "It's my dream to become a cosmetologist."

The beauty industry shows nothing but growth at a time unemployment levels have reached an all time high.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, employment in the beauty industry will continue to grow faster than the national average through the year 2018. Employment trends show an estimated increase of 20 percent for hairstylists and cosmetologists, 38 percent for skin care specialists and estheticians, and 19 percent for manicurists.

"We receive phone calls from salon owners monthly wanting to know when we will have students graduating," said Murphy. "They love our graduates. We have a great reputation for having knowledgeable, experienced graduates."

Marketti Academy cosmetology and manicuring graduates have gained employment in salons and spas, while esthetics graduates have been employed in salons, spas and doctors' offices.

It is from the skills they learn and students have a high passing rate for the state boards with test scores in the high 80s to low 90s.

It isn't uncommon for Marketti students to have a job lined up prior to graduating.

"We have a high placement rate even though we can't guarantee placement," Murphy said. Students at Marketti Academy receive one-on-one attention in their small class sizes.

"The instructors are very good," added Hannawa. "Any questions you have, they answer right away for you. The atmosphere is great, too. I am trying different things every day and am seeing different clients every day."

Marketti Academy has a full service clinic floor to prepare students. Senior students, under instructor supervision, perform salon services including haircuts, hair color, facials, manicures, pedicures, and body waxing.

These salon services are offered at discounted prices to the public. Marketti Academy also offers monthly specials on more popular services such as haircuts for just \$5. They also post specials on their Facebook -Marketti Cosmetology.

"Customers are excited because they get really good service at a great price," said Murphy. "Our students are friendly and knowledgeable."

Marketti Academy hosts birthday parties for young girls for a special day out. Each girl has a manicure and simple up-do. It is \$10 per child and available by appointment.

Marketti Academy of Cosmetology offers classes in cosmetology, esthetics, manicuring and instructor training. Financial aid is available to students who qualify. Students interested in applying for financial aid can go to the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) website at www.fafsa.ed.gov or call the admissions department at Marketti school code is 041593.

Marketti Academy of Cosmetology is nationally accredited through NACCAS (National Accrediting Commission of Career Arts and Sciences) and offers classes in cosmetology, esthetics, manicuring, and instructor training. For more information, call 248-618-6394 or visit their website at www.marketticosmetology.com.

Students and staff at Marketti Academy of Cosmetology are ready to help you look your best.

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C 20 Wed., March 20, 2013 The Clarkston News Progress Edition Great Lakes Independent Insurance meets all insurance needs

Great Lakes Independent Insurance takes the guess work and the hassle out of insurance shopping, says agent/manager, Jim Hutton.

The agency – which provides auto, life, homeowners, and commercial insurance has been in Orion since December 2008.

Though they have been here five year, they have been in business since 1996 and were formerly east of Orion. The Orion location enables Great Lakes Independent to represent many top rated insurance companies.

Because Lake Orion is less saturated with similar agencies in comparison to other metro-Detroit areas, Great Lakes Independent is attractive to a bigger number of insurance providers. More providers mean more rate shopping and lower rates – a good thing for customers.

"If we were a smaller agency, we would not be able to represent as many quality insurance companies as we do," said Hutton. The agency in turn passes the savings and the convenience of one stop insurance shopping onto its customers.

"We offer a variety of companies,"



Hutton said. "If one company shifts markets and is not trending well, we're able to shop a rate for our customers."

Though customers could end up with a different insurance provider "they still have the same Great Lakes Independent Insurance agent, with the same service," according to Hutton. "You get to know that person, you build a relationship. No matter which insurance company Great Lakes Independent places you with, you will have the same agent working for you day in and day out, and that's nice," he said.

Hutton comes from a "captive

background" in insurance and noted that when rates shifted higher, it was often "painful" for customers.

"Here, we are able to retain customers at renewal if their current company has an increase we can shift from one insurance company to another," he said.

"That benefits customers because we can shop for them to find a cheaper rate. They can make one phone call instead of five or six."

At Great Lakes Independent's disposal are 16 different insurance providers: Auto Owners, Bristol West, Citizens, Encompass, Foremost, Great lakes Casualty, Haggerty, Hartford, J.M. Wilson, Mercury, Progressive, Safeco, Titan, Travelers, Victoria, and Zurich.

Great Lakes Independent can also help identify the right insurance company for particular groups, like people fifty years and older, or families with young drivers.

Great Lakes Independent Insurance Agency is looking forward to meeting you and proud to be a member of the community.

If your schedule does not permit time for a stop in quote, they will be happy to quote you by phone, and Great Lakes Independent Insurance Agency would liked to say thanks for the opportunity to quote your insurance needs.

They can be reached at 248-393-2400, or check out their website at greatlakesindependent.com.



Clarkston Brandon Glass: Auto glass, windows, mirrors, screens

Chances are the windows in your home or auto will need replacing in the very near future. So let the friendly staff at CB Glass, 3960 Ortonville Road, assist you in finding high performance glass products that complement your tastes and budget.

Since 2008 CB Glass has been located next door to Hungry Howie's Pizza and Mazza Auto Parts on M-15 near Oakhill Road between Clarkston and Ortonville. Don Short fuonded Clarkston Glass in 1980, after selling in the late 90s, reopened in the Ortonville area as Clarkston Brandon Glass.

From auto glass to custom mirrors to shower doors to screens, with more than 30 years in the glass industry; Don Short and his son Don Jr., have the experience to provide the professional installation to meet every need.

Speciality products is no problem for CB Glass--from etched glass to beveled mirrors to heat treated fireplace glass.

"Glass products can be difficult to fit into place," said Don Jr. "Don't take a chance on an incorrect measurement, rather I'll come out and custom cut the glass the first time. Your home is a big investment, broken or damaged glass can take away from the value—let us make it right."

Don Jr. reminds customers that while the extremely cold Michigan winter is almost behind us now, it's a good time to consider replacing home windows before fall.



Don Short, Jr., Don Short, Sr. and "Sarge" the dog. "Many homes that have older windows can let the arctic blast blow right inside—that's where we can help. It's common for glass to fog between the panes because the seal is broken—that failure can be caused by several different factors including water leaking or being poorly installed." For this reason, Don Jr. recommends installing only the highest rated entry doors and replacement windows Michigan residents can buy.

"Our products are recognized to perform in cold weather to stifling hot and all temperature variations," he said.

"We offer a lifetime warranty. Our replacement windows will produce better warmth and crystal clear windows. Considering how stressful economic times are right now we can help save customers on heating and cooling bills."

Short said replacement windows are expensive the folks at CB Glass can repair your windows for 75 percent less than the cost of a house-full of new windows.

Automotive glass is subject to a host of environmental factors including stone chip damage that spreads when temperatures change, resulting in cracked windshields and mirrors.

"There's a right way to repair and install auto glassmany times we have customers come into CB Glass with broken seals around windshields. If moisture gets inside a vehicle dash, plenty of damage can occur-not to mention loss of value when it comes to reselling the car."

From stone chip repair to basic home improvement plans to the most sophisticated replacement window, CB Glass provides free estimates. Details: 248-625-4376.



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COUPON POWER

Consumers use coupons to save on all types of purchases, from clothing to groceries to household needs, dining, entertainment, leisure and more. In fact, 96 percent of shoppers say they would still use coupons if they won the lottery!*

Make sure your business is taking full advantage of this valuable sales tool. Reserve your space at our next Big Deal Magazine, and put the power of coupon advertising to work for your business.

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Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, "Your Hometown Dealer."

Future bright with Al Deeby, Clarkston's Hometown Dealer

Family friendly customer service and dedication to Clarkston is why the community named Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram "Best of the Best – Auto Dealer."

"We're your Hometown Dealer," General Manager Randy Beattie said. "Our hard work and dedication to customer satisfaction has earned us the trust and respect of our community."

He went on to say, "We strive to provide our customers with the same high level of care in both sales and service with affordable prices they have come to know."

A true leader in the community, Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram supports several area organizations: Clarkston SCAMP (a five week summer camp for children and young adults with special needs), Taste of Clarkston, Angels' Place, Holiday Lights Parade, Fourth of July and Memorial Day parades, the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce -Golf outing as well as many other events in the area.

"We've made Clarkston our home, we're here to support our community, we're here for the long haul. To us, it's basic stuff. It's caring about people," said owner Al Deeby. "At Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, we are geared toward customer-focused processes and insist all of our employees are committed and involved."

Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram's dedication shines through every inch of the 27,000 square foot family friendly showroom and service center.

After dropping off a vehicle for the highest quality care, customers can relax in the spacious lounge, featuring a 55" plasma television, wireless Internet access, complimentary gournet coffee and snack bar. Customers can even borrow a laptop computer or iPad to use during their visit.

For the little ones, Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram offers a play-zone just for them. The youngest visitors can enjoy their own plasma television, plenty of toys and books and all the snacks and beverages mom and dad will allow!

"Our mission is to meet or exceed everyone's expectations," said Deeby. "That's just the way we do business. It's not magic. We just treat people the way we'd want to be treated ourselves."

This philosophy goes all the way back to December 2000 when Alphonse J. Deeby III purchased Garrity Dodge in Hamtramek and renamed it in honor of his father, who worked there for over 40 years.

"It all really goes back to my dad, AI Deeby Sr.," said Deeby. "You couldn't help but learn the right way to do things and how to take care of people and we're real passionate about it. That Hometown Dealer slogan means everything to us. We want to be the store where people just stop by to have a cup of coffee and say hello. When they're ready to make a buying decision or need service, they know we're here for them."

Deeby went on to say, "we have never been more excited about the direction Chrysler is going, the lineup has never been better with 16 all new or significantly refreshed vehicles from the all new Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango, to the Chrysler 300 and Chrysler 200 as well as the sporty new Dodge Charger. We are optimistic that the economy will continue to improve, even if at a slower pace than we would all like, and look forward to continuing to grow with this fantastic community."

The dealership also has a great selection of pre-owned vehicles. Not everyone wants a new vehicle, some people prefer a preowned vehicle and there are some tremendous deals out there." Beattie said.

Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram passes all of its pre-owned vehicles through a 125 point inspection. Al Deeby will beat any price on a new Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram or quality pre-owned vehicle.

Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram is located at 8700 Dixie Highway in Clarkston.

Showroom hours are 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday and Thursday; 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; and 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday. Service center hours are 7 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. on Monday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday. For more information please call 248-620-0800 or online at www.aldeeby.com.

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