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Budget tightrope

**\$3.8M deficit threat
to remaining savings**

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Next year's school budget is expected to fall short about \$3.8 million. That's about as much as Clarkston Schools will have in its fund balance.

"We're flirting with sinking below zero, going into receivership," said Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan to the Clarkston Board of Education, Monday night. "We cannot allow that to happen."

Preventing that will be a mix of cuts and new revenue, including wage and benefit

freezes, reduction of staff, outsourcing services, compensation and benefit adjustments to lower costs, schools of choice, and sharing service with other school districts.

The budget proposal Ryan presented to school board calls for pink slips for 10 teachers, resulting in increased class sizes. Also, three teachers are expected to face layoff due to declining enrollment, saving a total of \$750,000.

Layoffs are scheduled to be approved by April 22.

"That's the biggest struggle overall - it's not

See Layoffs on page 5

Uniformed prowler arraigned

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Christopher Allen Murphy of Holly Township, 32, was in his National Guard uniform when he allegedly tried to break into a home in the 800 block of Cedar, 8 a.m., April 4, said Sgt. Matt Baldes, Springfield Township substation commander.

The suspect in the attempted home invasion in Springfield Township said he was in the area collecting donations for veterans.

The homeowner said he was home with his young daughter when he saw the suspect try to enter the house through the front door. The suspect went

to the back of the house to try a rear sliding door, then climbed over a deck to try another rear sliding door, and the resident called police.

"The homeowner hid his daughter and prepared himself for the bad guy to make entry," Baldes said.

"He wasn't sure how far the guy was going to go. He was ready to do what he had to do

See Suspect on page 8



Murphy



**Swing
into
spring**

**Natalia Sanfla
enjoys spring break at
Depot Park last Thursday. For
more photos please see page
30. Photo by Wendy Reardon**

Oil zone

**Nose knows rigs already
producing oil, natural gas**

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Driving along White Lake Road just before the Indian Springs Metropark entrance, you wouldn't know there was a drilling operation behind the line of black plastic sheeting unless you take a right onto Teggerdine Road.

Once around the corner, you'll see a dirt drive closed off by a gate where a security guard is posted. On two occasions, *The Clarkston News* was able to visit the site of the wellhead but taking photos wasn't allowed.

At the top of a hill are pickup trucks and men in hardhats who are constantly sampling to determine what's beneath the ground.

They work in an area that's been leveled like a construction zone. The smell of natural gas fills the air and stays in your skin when you leave.

From a large hole about four feet in diameter and lined with steel casing, part of a rig reaches up to about 10 feet, and the rest is 5,500 feet below the ground. There are large brown barrels with whirring natural gas flares at their tops and an above ground storage tank. During a visit that lasted about an hour,

Please see Oil on page 5

Clarkstonite has big goals for AARP leadership

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Thomas E. Kimble of Clarkston has been a volunteer for decades. Now he's the lead volunteer in the state for American Association of Retired Persons, AARP.

"The purpose of life, to me, is to have a purpose in life," Kimble said. "My purpose in life is to always be of service to others."

The retired General Motors executive has been appointed state president of AARP Michigan for a two-year term.

He has served for six years on

the AARP Michigan Executive Council and is serving with the AARP Volunteer Leaders Institute.



Kimble

help them."

One of his goals is to expand

intergenerational activities.

"Seniors helping kids, kids helping seniors - Clarkston is a gold mine of seniors who have great talent not being used," he said.

"I still encourage my neighbors in Clarkston to get involved in issues, and just give back - there are great things they can do," he continued.

"We need to help seniors retool their experiences. I really want to be part of the effort to get people involved and volunteers engaged."

Goals also include restructuring

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SPRING FLOWERS: Clarkston Farm and Garden Club member Ann Dutton adds some welcome spring color to Main Street. The club maintains all the planters in downtown Clarkston. Photo by Mary Keck

Eberhardt new manager

Clarkston's new City Manager Carol Eberhardt was hired at the City Council meeting on April 8. She will replace Dennis Ritter, who has been city manager since 2008 and announced his retirement in January.



Eberhardt

During the meeting Monday night, both of the final city manager candidates, Eberhardt and Andrew Potter, gave presentations on how they would handle their first 100 days in office.

After the presentations, the council deliberated about who would be hired for the position. In a 4-2 vote, Eberhardt was hired. Peg Roth and Stephen Hargis opposed the motion. Eberhardt did not vote.

In addition to hiring Eberhardt as city manager, the council had to vote to overrule the City Charter.

Because Charter section 4.18 doesn't allow employment of an elected official until a year after their term has ended, the council had to secure at least five votes to overrule it to employ Eberhardt. She was elected to serve on the council in November.

After a 5-1 vote, the council made an exception to the Charter; Roth was the only council member to oppose the motion, and Eberhardt did not vote. Pending her resignation from the council along with background and reference checks, Eberhardt will start as city manager at the end of April. Council will appoint a new council member to serve out her term.

The next City Council meeting is on April 22 at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall.

— Mary Keck

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10-13 teacher layoffs

Continued from page 1A desirable," Ryan said.

The plan calls for a mix of reductions, budget transfers, and new revenue, including \$200,000 transferred from the Early Childhood Center budget fund equity and \$250,000 in At Risk funding from the state.

"We have some funds squirreled away, little bit of a war chest – no reduction in next year's programming," Ryan said.

Facilities and transportation cuts would be about \$60,000 through attrition and greater efficiency, he said.

The biggest cut, about \$1.5 million, would be in human resources, a broad category including wages, benefits, restructuring, contracts, insurance, partnerships, shared positions, privatizing, and other employee related items.

"Anything that touches people," he said. "The goal to create a package equaling \$1.25 million-\$1.5 million."

Budget cuts in non-personnel areas would equal about \$73,000 through overall belt tightening, a one percent cut across the board, he said.

"It's a very diversified plan," he said. "At the end of the day, we want to meet the target of \$3.8 million."

New revenue includes \$100,000 from Community Education through increased rentals, fees, and other programs; \$300,000-\$800,000 from partnerships with private schools, offering their students electives in Clarkston schools; \$141,000-\$708,000 from open enrollment programs; and \$100,000-\$250,000 from a possible partnership with a local charter academy, offering them building space in district schools.

The plan also includes program improvements, Ryan said.

Goals include a five-year, \$2.6 million technology revitalization plan, funded through existing revenues. It would include more technology infrastructure and use in the classroom – bring-your-own-device.

In the 2012 school year, the budget fell short \$1.9 million, bringing the fund balance down to \$7.9 million.

The 2013 budget deficit was also about \$2 million, with another \$2 million to create a self-funded health care system, a one-time expense, bringing the fund balance to about \$3.9 million.

For 2014, the district budget is expected to fall short about \$1.8 million, with a \$2 million deficit carried over from 2013.

Challenges include maintaining reasonable class sizes and high quality education in spite of less state funding and enrollment, and more costs for benefits and retirement, inflation, and state mandates, Ryan said.

Board President Cheryl McGinnis urged fellow school board members to think outside the box and take some risks in creating the budget.

"This isn't going to solve itself," McGinnis said.

The school board set a budget workshop for questions and adjustments, 3 p.m., April 15, at the administration building.

Open enrollment for K-2

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township resident Thomas Discenna went to Board of Education meeting on March 25 with an open mind.

By the time he approached the podium to share his thoughts on the district having open enrollment for grades Kindergarten through second, his mind was made.

"As I hear more about Schools of Choice, the more concerned I become whether our future is in this school district," he said. "Among concerns is the numbers, in my mind. The program will need a fair amount of advertising to attract students from other districts, which is insane because all these school districts seem to be competing against each other for more students."

The district presented a plan during the meeting to build student enrollment to address the shortfall of \$3.983 million in 2013-2014. The plan would offer the school of choice option to younger grades beginning next school year.

"We want to have the best education for Clarkston students. We know our enrollment has declined over the last few years," said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock.

"The state hasn't provided enough money so we have been in a cycle of cutting. The only way for us to bring in revenue for students we do have is increased enrollment. We can't pass a revenue. We can't charge tuition. We don't want to compete with other districts for students. It is the situation the state has put us in. All of the other districts in the county are considering this so we should consider this."

Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan explained part of the loss they have had the last few years was students.

"The loss is across the district, and it is not for one reason or another. The response is to propose a limited school of choice option," Ryan said.

The district lost 72 students over the past year, equaling \$509,904, which Ryan pointed out is a loss of 2-3 teachers in the district. The trend of enrollment continues to go down through the years.

To offset the students they are losing, the plan is to add at least 100 students with no more than 50 students per grade level across the district. They would also only add students living in Oakland County.

They would specify availability per grade level per building, as some of the elementaries are not at capacity.

Ryan pointed out they have parents of Early Childhood Center students who want to continue in Clarkston and they

have students living on borderline roads also wanting to attend. It would open the opportunity for them.

They formed rules for school of choice including accepting in-district and children of employees first. They would accept applications for 15-30 days, and accept all applicants if numbers do not exceed available spots. If the amount of applications exceed availability, they will have a random drawing and waiting list. The district can also refuse enrollment based on suspensions or expulsions. The student will have continuous enrollment through graduation.

The students have to enroll by the end of the first week of school and the district is not required to provide transportation.

"Once they come in, they stay as Clarkston students," Ryan added. "We believe by entering our program on the ground level quickly they will experience all the benefits and structure of the Clarkston program. As they grow up in that program, they will have the benefits."

"Schools are places where communities grow," Discenna said. "The students get to know each other. The parents get to know each other through the kids. If we shuffle the kids all around the county I am concerned we'll lose that sense of being a school district and a place kids get to know each other and grow up together. You are making a commitment to those kids."

"I have watched explosive growth in my neighborhood," said Bridget Gibbs. "If I was a new family in my neighborhood, I would question sending my elementary student because of school of choice. People move to Clarkston for Clarkston. They didn't move to Oxford. They chose us. We talked about school of choice before in other programs. The community spoke before, and they will speak again."

Administration is looking at an August deadline for final staffing placement. Ryan pointed out they would like to know sooner because the deadline for layoffs is approaching.

"We see this at comprehensive plan to add staff and elevate those hot spots we have in August," he added. "We want to make sure students in Clarkston are taken care of first."

"I have worked in education. I know once the pressure begins to add people in – it becomes almost impossible to turn off," Discenna added. "Take a long, hard look at this and don't jump into it."

Lake Orion Community Schools Board of Education recently passed the same plan to open Schools of Choice for Kindergarten, first grade and second grade with a 6-1 vote.

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Spring to the track

With spring break 2013 in the history books, we're already in the final push towards summer and, for kids and their parents, the end of another school year. Time flies.

I started here at *The Clarkston News* in September 2006. The kids who were seniors at Clarkston High School that year are now about 24 years old. Getting jobs, starting families, and hopefully staying out of trouble.

The kids who graduated when I first started newspaper reporting in 1996, a bunch of Raiders up at Flushing High School, are in their mid 30s. Their families and jobs are well underway, I imagine, though to me they're still bright eyed teenagers planning their college careers.

Weather's finally warming up, and that means it's time for me to hit the track. I use the one at Clarkston Junior High School. The walk to and fro from the downtown office makes a good warm up and cool down.

Yes, taking the lead from reporter Wendi Reardon, I've decided to give the weight-loss thing another try.

My previous strategy was to control weight pretty much through exercise alone. Then I stopped exercising - whoops.

So this time I'm adding portion control to the mix. I didn't particularly want to go that route. Stop eating food? If I could do that, wouldn't I already be doing it?

If Michigan got some sort of New York City Mayor Bloomberg, passing laws banning large drinks and/or fatty food, I'd stuff my face with it - "You can't tell me what to do (*sarf sarf sarf!*)!"

That would have showed him.

Arriving at my own conclusion is better. Things started slowly. I asked my doctor about surgery, belly bands or what not. His response, in so many words, was "No, don't do that. It's stupid." OK, that was a bad idea.

So I was like, okay fine, stop eating so much. Turns out it's fairly effective so far, though I'm just getting started. Pizza in the office - I'm not going to turn that down.

But it's getting there. The grocery store is now filled with stuff I can't eat, which makes shopping easier.

I suppose it's always been that way.



Opinion Pages

Letters, columns & Editorials

Reader wants drivers to slow down

Dear Editor,

I work outside all over Clarkston every week of the year. It is impossible for me not to notice how people drive. Every driver I see does the same things.

You drive up to 50 miles an hour on streets like Holcomb. On Bluegrass, you drive so fast your children are thrown to the side of your SUVs by the g-forces you're creating when you take the curves.

You pass obstructions such as garbage trucks on residential streets, again over the speed limit, only to come within a hair's breadth of oncoming traffic. Since you've forgotten the law, I'll remind you. You're required to wait until there is no oncoming traffic and then you are allowed to pass safely.

Then there's my favorite. At intersections with stop signs, you don't even stop, much less look to see if it's safe to proceed. Or, you slow down and pretend to look, all the while eying your latest text. Why can't you stop? Do you really think you're saving time?

You use more time doing your silly slow down, if you even do slow down.

Every time you parents and grandparents break simple laws like these, you're teaching your kids it's ok to break the law. You claim to "heart" your children or your silly bumper stickers. You can't even say you love them. You have to use some idiotic slogan. You know why? It is because you don't love them.

If you did, you wouldn't endanger their lives and everyone else's on the road. If you did, you would teach them respect for the law. Why do you think all these tragedies like Columbine and Sandy Hook happen? Our children and taught, from their parents, that it's ok to break the law.

You should all be ashamed of yourselves. Do you really think the nanoseconds you're saving trying to get to your next unimportant errand are really worth your life or the lives of the children you claim to "heart" so much?

Brian P. DeLiso
Waterford

A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 1998

"Bye George" George White retired after 30 years as a Clarkston teacher. He taught at the elementary, junior high, and high school levels, ending his career as principal at North Sashabaw Elementary - the experience earned him the title "Mr. Clarkston."

"Plan to pave new school roads on way" In keeping with the spirit of cooperation with local governments, Clarkston School Board approved a concept plan for road improvements near the new high school on Flemings Lake Road. The project included pavement, left turn lanes, passing and deceleration lanes, and traffic lights.

25 years ago - 1988

"Dairy Diggings" Tom Lowrie, owner of a landscaping business in Springfield Township, spent a lot of time around the first of April digging instead of planting. He was digging at the site of his Uncle Keith and Aunt Hilda Lowrie's former dairy on M-15 just south of I-75 in Independence Township. The site was being excavated and footings laid for the new Country Value Hardware Store, and Lowrie knew it was his last chance to find old milk bottles bearing his family name.

"Teens blamed for 4-acre grass fire" Teenaged arsonists apparently were responsible for a four-acre grass fire on Bitterbush Road, Independence Township. Firefighters were called at about 7:15 p.m., and the fire in the wooded and swampy area was extinguished in about 20 minutes, said Capt. Steve Ronk of the Independence Township Fire Department. A few hours before the fire department was called, the property owner told two boys, about 15 years old, to stop trespassing with their dirt bikes on his property.

50 years ago - 1963

"What now?" A traffic light suggested for Waldon Road at Clarkston Elementary and junior high school would not be a good idea, according to Oakland County Road Commission. Drivers from Main Street wouldn't be able to see it until they got to the top of the hill, which could cause accidents.

"Okinawa Mission" Mr. Lester Tallman, missionary of The Methodist Church for three years in Okinawa will present pictures and slides. All persons interested in the Far East are invited to attend. Mr. Tallman served Methodist churches in New York and Maryland. While visiting Clarkston Mr. and Mrs. Tallman and their daughter Beth Ann will be the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Giguere.



From left are Ryan Ikeler, DJ Ikeler, and DJ's wife Kelsey Ikeler in front of the new Center for Success Pontiac

Clarkston natives go forward with Reverse Church

Clarkston natives Ryan Ikeler and DJ Ikeler were featured in *The Clarkston News* last month after they and members of their church built a giant snowman in the middle of Sashabaw Road.

Now they're working to renovate a former Pontiac Police community resource center. They purchased the vacant building at auction last month.

"We raised \$16,000 in 48 hours, a lot through Facebook," DJ said.

"We want to thank all the people in

Clarkston - a lot of Clarkston individuals helped," Ryan said.

They plan to offer education, tutoring, and after-school programs at the new Center for Success Pontiac to people in need as a community project of Reverse Church.

"We start with making a difference, then we invite the people to church - that's the reverse," Ryan said.

Official services start, April 21, 10 a.m., at Lafayette Grand in Pontiac.



In front, Jasmine Ruskus and Scott Garden of Pooltown cut the ribbon for the New Pooltown on Sashabaw Road, with the help of, in back from left, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce members Zoe Aldrich, Clarkston State Bank; Molly Shamma, Cindy Burroughs, Clarkston News; Donna Bullard, Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union; Nikki Tibbet, Clarkston State Bank; and Angie Wathen. Photo by Phil Custodio

Pooltime opens just in time for swimming season

The new Pooltown, 6473 Sashabaw Road, is ready for summer to start.

"This is a good time to buy – we have great prices," said General Manager Scott Garden at the March 28 ribbon cutting.

This is the seventh location for the

metro Detroit pool and supply center, focusing on Doughboy above-ground pools.

"I grew up with Doughboy pools – the brand name is so powerful," Garden said. "I hear it all time, 'I'm here to buy a Doughboy.'"

Their plan is to expand into a larger Clarkston location as soon as possible so they can display more of their pool and spa products.

"We plan to be here in the 2013 summer to introduce ourselves to Clarkston, then

find a much larger building in the immediate area," he said. "We're looking to grow every year."

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– Phil Custodio

The seeds are growing, so now what?

Hey, my plants are growing!

Yep, it is true. Last year I had this wild idea to save some seeds from a Brandywine tomato to plant 'em and grow 'em again this year.

I saved the seeds, dried the seeds and stowed them away out on the porch until three weeks ago. Then I constructed an inside green house, set up a grow light, planted said seeds in egg cartons covered in plastic wrap and . . .

... VIOLA!

I have little baby heirloom tomatoes growing.

I was so geeked I planted some pole bean seeds this past week from seeds I saved in the fall 2011 and some hot pepper seeds, too. You could start calling me Donny Green Thumbs, except for...

Uhm? What do I do with these cute little, itty-bitty seedlings. Keeping 'em watered is a given, but what else do I do to make them grow up to be strong, healthy tomato plants?

Okay my gardening buddies and buddettes, I will admit it: I am used to cheating in the garden. Year in and year out I buy the plants already started, which means they've already been toughened up. I spend 40 minutes trying to start the rototiller (take out the spark plug, sand it a little, spray ether in the carburetor, and then pull like a good little puller should); an hour rototilling and raking; an hour looking at plants at the nursery; 15 minutes stand-

ing in line to pay for said plants and about seven minutes to plant everything.

Bam! Done.

Hmmmm? Maybe I asked the wrong question a paragraph or so ago. Maybe I shoulda asked, "What shouldn't I do to make them strong, healthy tomato plants?" Like, don't forget to water them, or don't feed them solid foods until they are two months old. You know, that sorta thing.

**Don't
Rush Me**



**A column by
Don Rush**

Are they like kids? Do you touch 'em a lot and speak encouragingly? And, speaking of seedlings, I have more than one seedling in each of the little egg holders in the egg cartons. Do I just let them all grow and let the strongest survive? Do I split them and replant the ones I take out or do I just rip out the scrawny ones in favor of the stronger ones?

Let me state for the record, that that doesn't sound very nice or humane -- it sounds down right Darwinian, I mean everything needs a chance to grow and meet its full potential, don't they?

It seems a waste to raise all these little life forms past the seed stage only to terminate the weaker ones. I don't see the justice in that. Which, gardening fans, is probably one reason my 12-foot by eight garden looks less formal

and more -- uhm -- jungly. Each year "volunteer" plants who have struggled to survived the cold winter, bugs, critters and both my fall and spring rototillings pop up and each year I have the same moral dilemma.

Pull 'em or let 'em live?

It's not much of a problem when a tomato plant or two sprouts up. Or a potato or a pepper plant. I let them live as long as they can. It's much more of an issue when "last year's" Halloween pumpkin seeds pop up and grow. I have spent a lot of time trying to train pumpkin vines through rows and around planted plants to make sure everybody in the garden has a shot of making fruit.

It gets tricky sometimes.

Speaking of the garden, this year I was thinking of making toad homes. I got this idea that if I invite and make living conditions good for toads that they will come in and eat earwigs and slugs. I hate earwigs and slugs. And for the record, I don't care if it is not humane for toads to eat earwigs or slugs. I say, bon appetit, Mr. & Mrs Toad and I hope you come back again!

So much for the Zen Don, let 'em all live outlook on life.

But, back to the reason for this week's "gem" of a column: What do I do now with my wee, little seedlings? Let me know! If you don't they may die and you wouldn't want that on your conscience! E-mail me, Don@ShermanPublications.org.



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Drug restrictions

A deputy on patrol stopped a pickup truck with an expired plate, 4:36 p.m., March 21, at Dixie Highway and Maybee Road. The driver, a 25-year-old Flint man, smelled slightly of marijuana, and turned over a pill bottle with marijuana in it. He also had a multi-colored glass bong and a four-inch switchblade-type knife. With a restricted driver's license, he said he was heading home from work, but didn't have any proof of his hours as required. The restriction was due to a marijuana possession conviction out of Burton. He was cited for driving on a restricted license, possession of marijuana, expired registration, and no proof of insurance.

Underage drinkers

Responding to a suspicious-vehicle report, deputies found a car parked behind a church in the 5000 block of Westview Road, 11:37 p.m., March 22. Three teenagers in the vehicle were found with bottles of vodka and rum. The driver, an 18-year-old Waterford woman, had a preliminary breath test of .022 and was cited for underage drinking. One of the passengers, a 17-year-old Independence Township boy, was also cited with under-21 drinking. His 21-year-old sister was cited with contributing to delinquency of a minor for buying them the alcohol.

No license to drive

A deputy on radar duty stopped a car going 54 mph in a 40 mph zone at Dixie Highway and Maybee Road, 3:59 a.m., March 23. The driver, a 24-year-old Grand Blanc woman, didn't have a driver's license. The passenger, a 24-year-old Grand Blanc man who owned the vehicle, said he asked her to drive knowing she was unlicensed because he had been drinking. Also, his license was suspended. She was cited with driving with an expired license, and he was cited with allowing an unlicensed driver to drive his car.

Thefts from vehicles

Someone took a GPS and golf clubs from an unlocked vehicle parked overnight in the 500 block of Stone Hill Court, March 31.

A GPS holder was taken and glove box and center console gone through in an unlocked vehicle parked in the 6000 block of Plum Lane, April 3.

Marijuana special

Fliers were dropped off for residents in the 2000 block of Mann Road for "prime marijuana" - "ask for specials," March 27. Deputies passed the information to NET.

Suspect arraigned

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to protect his daughter."

Dep. Keith Overby arrived within five minutes, saw the suspect trying to get in through the rear sliding door, and made the arrest - the suspect surrendered immediately. Murphy was taken to the substation and interviewed by Det. Matt Howe.

Murphy told investigators he was soliciting for Wounded Warriors, a national organization to help veterans disabled in combat, then that he was seeking help for a local veteran, then for himself as a veteran. He's a current member of the Michigan National Guard, but later admitted he's not a combat veteran, Baldes said.

Deputies found breaking-and-entering tools, mask, gloves, K-bar knife, and two airsoft pistols in his vehicle.

"Deputy Overby and Det. Howe did a fantastic job, taking him down in the investigation," Baldes said.

Murphy was arraigned, April 5, in 52-2 District Court in Independence Township on Attempted Home Invasion First Degree, a five year felony. His bond was set at \$25,000 cash with no 10 percent allowed, and taken to Oakland County Jail. His next court date is April 12.

He also has two outstanding felony warrants for Larceny in a building from Waterford Township, and Baldes called his National Guard commander to inform him of the situation.

"He wanted to take advantage of people's goodwill towards the armed services - it's a shame," Baldes said.

Residents should be careful with all solicitors, he said.

"If you have concerns, call 911 and we'll come out and check them out," Baldes said.

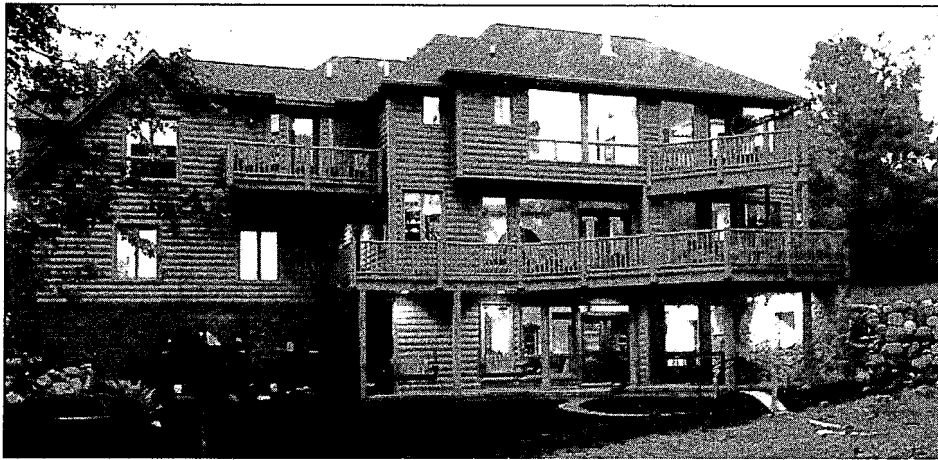
Caught in the act

A witness called police to report two teenagers going through a vehicle parked in the 6000 block of Golfview, 2:02 a.m., March 29. Deputies found a 15-year-old Independence Township girl and 16-year-old Independence Township girl in the car, which had been unlocked. They said they got into the vehicle because they wanted a warm place to smoke, then decided to go through the glove box and center console. The vehicle's owner declined to press charges and the girls were turned over to their parents.



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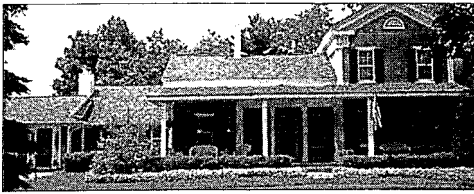
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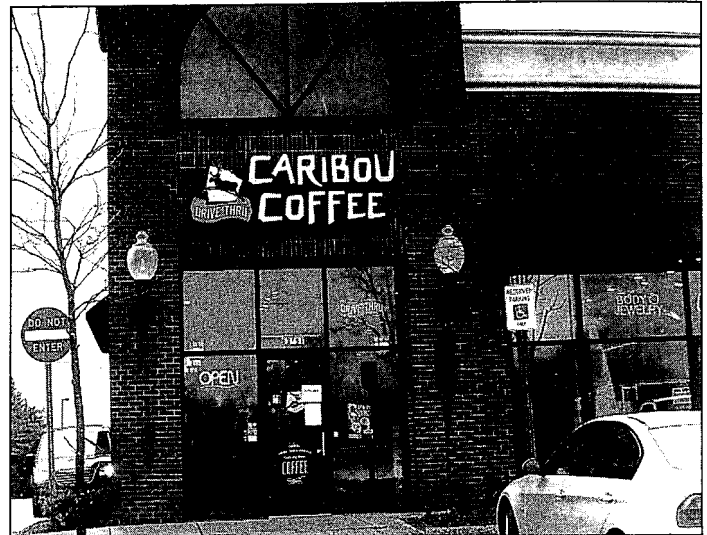
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COFFEE CAPPED: After April 14, you'll have to stop somewhere else to get your caffeine fix because Independence Township's Caribou Coffee is closing. The shop at 6315 Sashabaw is one among many Caribou Coffee locations across the United States that will no longer serve up lattes and cappuccinos. Photo by Phil Custodio



Independence Elementary Third Grade Teacher Pam Boewe and Izzy Carter enjoy a book during Camp Out with a Good Book. Photo submitted

Readers camp out at Independence

Independence Elementary third graders in Pam Boewe's class jumped into their pajamas and a good book on March 28.

As March is Reading Month closed, they celebrated with Camp Out with a Good Book.

They brought their sleeping bags for the camp out. They also made s'mores, sang songs, told stories, played math

games, and read in teepees around hand-made paper campfires.

"It's one of those days the kids will always remember," said parent, Heather Powers. "Clarkston has wonderful teachers, and I am lucky enough to have my child loving to learn from one of the best."

The entire school read *Balto* during month, a book about sled dogs.

Decades of volunteering for local president

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the executive committee.

"I want to add an executive committee person responsible for recruiting volunteers and helping them grow in the organization, somewhat like I did," he said.

They also need a person to spearhead intergenerational activities, he said.

"Someone in their early 40s to bridge the gap between young people and seniors, and work with young AARP members who haven't yet reached the conclusion that they're old enough to be a member," he said. "There's a whole digital world a young person could help us with, to get more people involved with Tweeting and Facebook."

Kimble serves as chair of the Executive Council, an all-volunteer panel made up of team leaders from regions across the state, and is partnering with AARP Michigan State Director Jacqueline Morrison.

"Tom Kimble has been a dedicated and effective leader of AARP Michigan for several years and we're thrilled he has accepted an expanded leadership role," Morrison said. "His skill set is a perfect match for our organization and I look forward to partnering with him to help turn older Michiganders' goals and dreams into real possibilities."

He will also act as principal volunteer spokesperson for AARP in Michigan, which has 1.4 million members.

Issues facing seniors include economic security, employment, Social Security, fraud avoidance, and health care – Medicare, Medicaid, Medigap, and the Affordable Health Care Act.

"Right now, Medicare is the biggest issue – we want to make sure it's stable over a long period of time," he said. "Social Security, most assume it's an entitlement program. It's not an entitlement, it's your dollars."

Health care changes at the national level is a big issue.

"No additional out-of-pocket to seniors, continued access to the doctor they want, better care, if those are there, AARP will be very happy," he said. "If there are any large

cuts to benefits, increases in out-of-pocket, reduced access, that's where Kimble's going to be fighting."

He spends a lot of time in Lansing with state legislators, providing information on how policies affect seniors, he said.

He also travels around the state to talk to architects and city planners about livable communities, accessibility, long-term care, driver safety, and other issues.

"AARP is the largest educator of seniors in the country in driver safety," he said.

Kimble was recruited at GM in 1972, and retired after serving as vice-chairman of the GM Foundation and director of the auto company's Global Philanthropic Administration. Previous assignments include several positions as a finance director on GM's Finance staff and Comptroller of plants in Pontiac.

He has lived in Independence Township with his wife, Diandria, for the past 21 years, raising two sons. He grew up in Dallas, Texas.

"My parents were very generous and very active in the community," he said. "They believed in helping those who can't help themselves, and I kind of grew up with that mentality."

He can serve a maximum of six years as AARP state president.

"Today we have about 1,200 volunteers. I'd surely like to see 2,000 by the time I finish," he said. "I'd like to develop a more productive relationship with the state legislature. There's still room for us to be very friendly, work together, and solve issues for seniors across the board. I'm convinced the majority wants the same thing."

Locally, he serves on the Board of Directors for Clarkston State Bank, and has volunteered with Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, SCAMP, and other groups. He has also served on numerous community boards and is past chairman of the Arts League of Michigan; Board of Directors of Oakland Family Services; Hospice of Michigan; Oakland County Workforce Development; and Oakland University College of Arts and Sciences.

Symphony performs at junior high school

Symphony of the Lakes hosts its second concert of the season, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 20, at Clarkston Junior High School, 6595 Middle Lake Road.

Led by Music Director Zeljko Milicevic, the 59-musicians in the former Pontiac Oakland Symphony will perform John Williams' *Cowboys Overture*, *Rodeo: Four Dance Episodes* by Aaron Copeland, and *Grand Canyon Suite*, by Ferde Grofe.

Admission is \$20/regular, \$15/seniors, free/students.



Music Director
Zeljko Milicevic

Clarkston resident Lois Richardson will perform a solo piece with the Orchard Lake Philharmonic Society Symphony Orchestra at its "Spring Fling" concert on Friday, April 12, 7:30 p.m., at Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus. The solo will be from *Ballade* by Alfred Reed.

The orchestra will also perform Mendelssohn's "Finale" from Symphony No. 5, Kabalevsky's *The Comedians*, Fletcher's *Folk Tune and Fiddle Dance*, Lowe's *Embassy Waltz*, Dvorak's *Slavonic Dances No. 8*, Ravel's *Pavane for a Dead Princess* and Lecuona's *Andalucia Suite*. Tickets are \$10/adults, \$7/seniors, free/students.

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Why Do I Want a Pool, Spa or Hot Tub?

Ask every person in your house why they want a pool, spa or hot tub. Actually write "wish-list" notes, who will use it when, who will each person invite? Does anyone "not" want a pool? Why?

What Will I Use It For?

Do you plan on swimming laps? Is it about function or fun? Do you have visions of entertaining guests in and around your pool? Is it for your children and their friends?

What Type, Size and Shape of Pool Do I Want?

The options are limitless. What shape, size, combination will work with your property and goals? Tear out pictures from magazines, print pictures from the web, ask friends who already have pools what they'd change. If you have unlimited space, the sky is the limit. Smaller sites can work with creativity and custom design. You need an expert opinion on landscaping and landscaping because the finishing touches are what makes the space enjoyable.

What's My Budget?

There's a pool for nearly every budget but you must ask questions for realistic expectations. Financing a swimming pool project is like any other home addition, and the funds often come from the same sources: home equity accounts or lines of credit, savings, family, etc. As with any home addition, expect it to cost at least 10% over anticipated budget and ask about ways to maximize your return on investment.

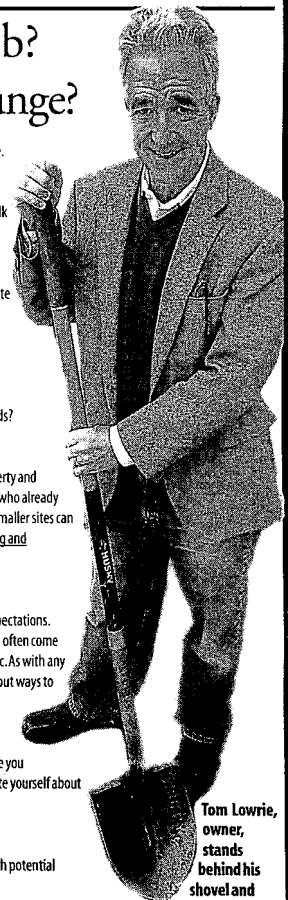
Who Will Maintain the Pool?

Heaters, chlorine, bromine, pumps, pool vacuums, test kits - pools take upkeep. Are you up for the time commitment and monthly costs of maintaining your pool? Educate yourself about all that's entailed in maintaining a swimming pool, spa or hot tub.

How Long Will it Take?

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Briefly

Lions' White Cane Week

Members of the Clarkston Area Lions Club take to Clarkston area streets and stores, April 26-May 4, during White Cane Week.

Donations support sight and hearing projects including Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, Michigan Eye Bank and Transplant Center in Ann Arbor, Lions Bear Lake Camp for Physically Challenged Youth in Lapeer, Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor, Beaumont Silent Children Fund, and the District 11A2 Lions Hearing Program for Oakland and Macomb Counties.

Money raised during White Cane Week is also used to buy eyeglasses and hearing aids for those in need and vision screening of pre-school children.

Previously, the club used donations to buy an automated vision assessment tool used at monthly vision screenings at the Independence Library, said club President Mike Mercier.

The club also provides reading facilities and materials for the sight impaired at the library, and support local organizations including Clarkston Lighthouse, O.A.T.S., Christmas in Action, and SCAMP.

Check www.clarkstonlions.org.

Rite Aid plans carnival

A Children's Spring Carnival to benefit Children's Miracle Network will feature the Gratitude Steel Drum Band, face painting, fire trucks, glitter tattoos, and much more on April 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Rite Aid on Ortonville Road. Cotton candy, hot dogs, popcorn, and pizza will be served.

Businesses and vendors can rent space for \$20 to set up a display with a fun activity and sell their products or crafts. Along with tax-deductible donations, Rite Aid is seeking apple baskets, beanbags, fish bowls, squirt guns, ping-pong balls, and other items for the carnival activities. Call 248-625-5271 for more information.

Clarification

The story "Red flags in city manager search," April 3, should not have followed former City Councilman Chuck Inabnit's quote: "The mayor has no more power than anyone else who sits on the council" with Luginski disagreed.

He agrees with that statement. His disagreement is with Inabnit and other's statements against how the city manager selection committee was created.

Horn player going on tour around U.S., Europe

Horn player Caelan Stewart of Clarkston will perform around the world this summer as part of the National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America.

"I'm really excited about the tour," said Stewart, 16, currently spending his junior year at The Interlochen Arts Academy in Interlochen, Mich. "I enjoy making music and I also love to travel. It is going to be a great opportunity to experience other cultures and also showcase America's great musical talent in amazing places around the world. I feel honored to be part of such an incredible experience and look forward to performing on some famous stages."

Students ages 16-19 from around the country sent in video auditions. He sent in a video audition of himself playing excerpts from Shostakovich 5, Siegfried's Horn Call, Tchaikovsky 5, and other tunes.

"His dad and I are very proud of Caelan and his accomplishments," said Erika Stewart, his mother. "To travel the world doing what he loves, making music. Our family will be attending the Kennedy Center performance in July, then the orchestra will depart for Russia and London, England."

Caelan has been playing the French horn since seventh grade, almost five years. He started playing piano at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music at 6 years old and joined band in sixth grade, starting out on the trombone.

"He is not only incredibly passionate about playing the horn and making music, but he is very committed and disciplined," Erika said.

After sixth grade he was encouraged to try the French horn by his band director.

"I loved the sound of the horn and its versatility in tone



Caelan Stewart will play the French horn in the National Youth Orchestra. Photo provided by Radiant Light Photography

quality. I also loved that it was a challenging instrument to learn. Once I started on it, I never wanted to play anything else," he said. "My dream is to play in a professional orchestra one day."

He spends two to three hours a day practicing and also has ensemble and orchestral practices.

"Whenever he has the opportunity to play, he jumps at the chance," Erika said.

Before attending Interlochen Arts Academy, he

participated in the Clarkston Community Band, two Detroit Symphony Orchestra Civic Youth Ensembles, and orchestra pit for the CHS musicals.

"His hard work and dedication paid off for him this year with securing the NYO spot as well as placing first at the Michigan Federation of Music Clubs Solo Competition in January," Erika said.

"I literally burst into tears about hearing the news of his selection. It is an incredible opportunity to see the world in such an interesting way, from some of the world's most famous stages. What an opportunity!"

This summer, Caelan will also be taking lessons with a few horn professors around the country. He will be auditioning this time next year for universities and conservatories, where he plans to study music performance.

"Caelan has been very blessed to have a lot of support around him, not only within his family but the amazing directors in the music department from the middle school, junior high, and high school," Erika said. "They were a wealth of information and a true supporter of Caelan, in making sure he had opportunities to grow and shine in his music."

Directors Shelley Roland, Michael Lewis, Justin Harris, and Julie Mathews, retired, are an amazing, dedicated team of individuals fully committed to their students and the music program, Erika said.

"They truly gave Caelan that strong foundation for which his successes have been able to build upon," she said. "His current teacher at Interlochen is Dr. Gustavo Camacho and he has been amazing as well."

— Phil Custodio

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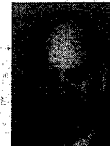
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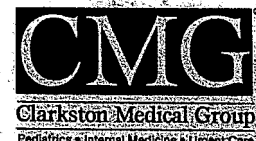
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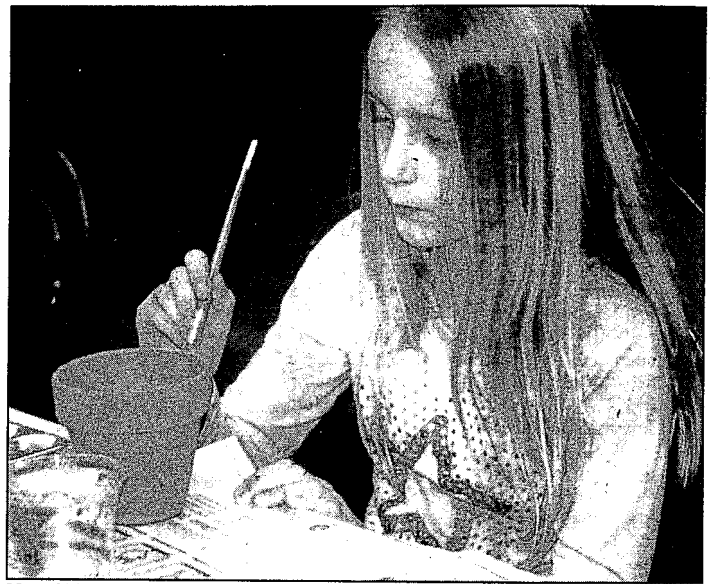
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From left Julia Whitley and Izzie Miller scoop soil for their seeds.



Mary Whitley adds a second coat to the top of her planter pot.

Think spring

Thoughts of spring filled the community room at Clarkston Independence District Library on April 2 as many concentrated on Garden Art.

Participants decorated flower pots with colorful paint and added gems to their design. They also chose from a selection of seeds for flowers, herbs and other plants to begin their garden.

For more information and to find out about upcoming events, please visit www.indelib.org or stop by the library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

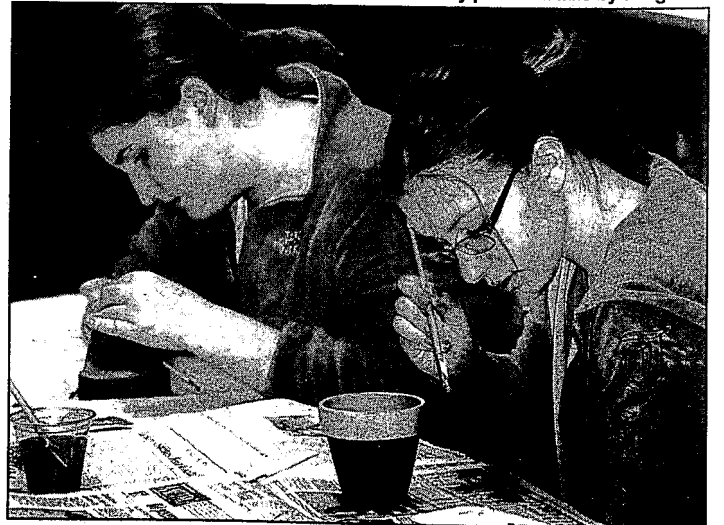
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Autumn Whitley paints details by the gems.



Parents David and Kim Bird join sons Alex and Kyle in the fun.



From left Emelia Tombrella and Kate Webb are focused on their paintings.

Death notices & Obituaries

Joan B. Austin, 54

Joan B. Austin of Clarkston passed away suddenly April 3, 2013, at 54 years of age.

She was the loving wife and best friend of Steve for 32 years; daughter of Paul and Mildred Sirotkin; sister of Karl (Kristin) Sirotkin and Debra Butler; also survived by her precious dog Kieley and cat Mystique.



Joan was a graduate of Oak Park High School. She worked for Level 3 Communication in Southfield for 27 years. Joan was the love of Steve's life and the most intelligent, caring person he has ever met. Steve was the love of her life second only to her passion for NASCAR.

A Memorial Visitation was April 9 at **Coats Funeral Home**-Clarkston. Joan would like memorials be made to Michigan Animal Rescue League or Gleaners Food Bank. To send a private condolence with the family go to www.coatsfuneralhome.com/obituaries.

Leta E. Calcote, 81

Leta E. Calcote, "Sister Calcote," 81, of Waterford passed away, March 13, 2013.

She was the dear mother of Vicky (Corky) Lang, Rebecca Calcote; beloved Nanny of Rhonda (Tony) Hool, Jessica (Scott) Truchon, Charlie, Eric (Jenna), Ian Lang, Bryan (Stacey) Grant, Elizabeth Bennett; great grand nanny of Olivia, Victoria, Cecilia, Isabella, Anthony Hool, Jackson and Alexandra Truchon, and Adriana Bennett.



Leta retired from Sayles Studio as a color artist. She opened Calcote Country and Gifts in Clarkston in the early 90s. She was an elder and founding member at Mt. Zion. She was involved in the foundation of the Children's Ministry. She will be greatly missed, but live on in the hearts of her family and friends.

A Memorial celebration is Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m. at Mt. Zion, 4900 Maybee Road, Auditorium A, Pastor Loren Covarrubias officiating.

Family will receive friends one hour prior to service. Final resting, Eldorado, Texas. Memorials to the family in lieu of flowers. Envelopes available at the church.

Stephen Dupnack, 58

Stephen M. Dupnack, age 58, of Clarkston, passed peacefully at home April 1, 2013.

He was the loving husband of Darlene (nee Bringard) for 28 years; dear father of Jessica and the late Stephen Dupnack, Jr.; son of Lois and the late George Dupnack; brother of Karen Brandin, Joyce Wigston and Jennifer Davis; also survived by many beloved nieces, nephews and extended family.

Service of Remembrance was April 5 at **Coats Funeral Home**-Clarkston. Memorial donations to Henry Ford Hermelin Cancer Center or Detroit Dog Rescue. To send a condolence go to www.Coatsfuneralhome.com/Obituaries.

R. 'Tim' Farough, 75

R. "Tim" Farough of Clarkston died March 31, 2013, at 75 years of age.

He was the beloved husband of Lavonne for 55 years; loving father of Jeff (Jeri) Farough, Darin (Teressa) Farough and Jennifer (Tony) Gwilt; dearest grandfather of Greg, Makenzie, Zachary, Tristan, Evan, Claire, Meghan and Gordy; preceded in death by his parents Raymond and Dorothy Farough and his two brothers Tom and Pete Farough.

Memorial service was April 4 at **Coats Funeral Home**-Clarkston, Rev. Carol S. Evans officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association.

To send a private or post a public condolence for the family go to www.coatsfuneralhome.com/obituaries.

KristiAnna Sparks

KristiAnna Reese Sparks lost her battle for life, April 4, 2013.

She is survived by her loving parents Tyril and Rachel Sparks; grandparents Christina Chase and Tracy Kellogg, Carolyn Sparks, Leonard and Crystal Sparks; her great-grandparents William Jr. and Ramona Loar, Irene Sparks and Charles and Suzanne Chase and great great-grandfather Donald Reid; along with many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral Service was April 9 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Patricia Thorpe, 53

Patricia C. Thorpe, "Patty Roy," of Clarkston passed away April 2, 2013, at age 53.

She was the daughter of Mary Ann Roy; mother of Joseph David (Jennifer) Thorpe and Christina Marie (Clark) Farar; grandma of Randy, Daphne, and Gabrielle "Elle"; sister of Anne Marie (Mousa) El-Chaer, Edward (Vivian) Roy, Janet (Ibrahim) Seblini, Jerome, Jacqueline (Kim) Traylor, Joan (Terry) Desjarlais, Pamela (David) Daniel, James (Tami) Roy and Pauline (Scott) Mallory; fiancé of Ronald Kelly King; preceded in death by her father John Edward Roy and three angel babies; also survived by numerous family and friends.

Rosary service was April 7 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was April 8 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Jimmy Tuck, 63

Jimmy Tuck of Clarkston, formerly of Berkley, passed away April 4, 2013, at age 63.

He was the husband of Kathleen Cody-Tuck; step father of Joseph (Karen) Cody and Kyle (Denice Brabo) Cody; grandpa Jim of Nate, Emily, and Gabriela; father of Jamie and Jason Tuck; and brother of Kay (Nick) Manzella.

Funeral service was April 8 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to American Lung Association. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Lori Jo Wheeler, 55

Lori Jo Wheeler (Donaldson) of Clarkston passed away April 6, 2013, after a 13 year battle with breast cancer, at age 55.

She was the wife of Dale for 27 years; mother of Calvin (Tina Weiler) and Anna; daughter of Lois (the late Jere) Donaldson; sister of Tim (Gail) Donaldson and the late Tom; sister in law of Diane Wheeler and DeeDee Donaldson; survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Lori was actively involved with Clarkston Relay for Life and First Congregational Church.

Friends may visit at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, Wednesday, 3-8 p.m. Memorial service, Thursday, 11 a.m., at First Congregational Church, Clarkston. Donations may be made to Clarkston Relay for Life or First Congregational Church. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



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Clarkston's Sporting News

This Week...

Girls Varsity Tennis host Seaholm and Boys Lacrosse host Notre Dame on Thursday.

From spring break to field

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves spent their time off from school practicing their moves and working on their skills for the season.

Brian Kaminskas, head coach for the Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse team, said they look good as they come back from spring break.

"We did our annual team trip down to Florida," he added. "We had a good week of practice. We were able to get a lot done and make up for some lost time."

Like many other teams across Michigan, the Wolves have split their practice time between inside and outside because of the weather.

The boys come back from break to take on Notre Dame Prep in their home opener on Thursday.

"It is a big game for us," said Kaminskas. "It was one of our few losses last year. The guys circled this one on the calendar. They are focused on it and ready to roll."

One of the strengths the boys have going into the game is speed, he noted.

"We have some pretty fast feet," Kaminskas said. "Transition will be a key for us for offense. We have a lot of veterans back on defense. It is the kind of defense our guys are used to playing."

The Wolves are currently 1-0 for the new season after beating Utica Eisenhower, 17-7, on March 23. Seven players contributed to points on the scoreboard in the game. Connor Ward led with six goals and five assists. Reid Kaminski and Andrew Williamson scored three goals each. Kyle O'Grady scored two goals as Connor Dziewit, Jordan Moore and Keaton Mitchell had one goal a piece.

"It's nice to have the first game out of the way," said Kaminskas. "The jitters are out of the way. On the other hand, by the time we play Notre Dame it is three weeks old."

Notre Dame Prep have three games under their belt as they go into the game with a 2-1 record. Their most recent game was a 15-3 win over Rochester Adams after a loss to De La Salle.

The Wolves know to look out for three talented midfielders and their leading attackman, Kyle Beauregard.

"He is pretty good," Kaminskas added. "He had already committed to University of Detroit - Mercy."

The Wolves play at Clarkston High School stadium with JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.

"As long as they stick to the game plan they will have a relatively good night," said Kaminskas. "If they slow the ball down too much on offense or get a little jumpy on defense it could make for a long night."

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Haley VanBuskirk competes in the state championship. Photo provided

Staying a lap ahead

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Haley VanBuskirk finished her swim season the top eighth in the state for 10 and under girls division in state championship at Kentwood.

"I was really excited," she smiled. "I felt like crying from happiness. It was an exciting moment and it was my first time being up there."

She qualified for 12 events in the meet - but was only allowed to swim in up to six events.

During the championship meet, VanBuskirk placed second in the 500-yard freestyle at 5:54.41; third in the 100-yard Individual Medley, 1:11:60; fifth in the 200-yard Individual Medley, 2:33.51; sixth in the 50-yard freestyle, 28.44; sixth in the 200-yard freestyle, 2:13.78, and ninth in the 100-yard freestyle, 1:02.86.

Her times in the 500-yard and 200-yard freestyle events were also sectional times, the highest National Time Standard for 10 and Under.

She has seven events she has a Central Zone time which is the second highest national time standard.

VanBuskirk added the 500-yard freestyle and 200-yard IM because those are her favorite events because she enjoys

swimming in the distance events.

"I can keep my pace for a long time," she said. "Also, in the 200-yard IM I am good at all the strokes and I can keep my momentum. I dropped a lot of time. I think it's because there was more pressure on me and I was working harder."

Her favorite event when she began swimming was the 50-yard freestyle because the distance was shorter.

"It is only two laps," she smiled. "I have grown to enjoy distance."

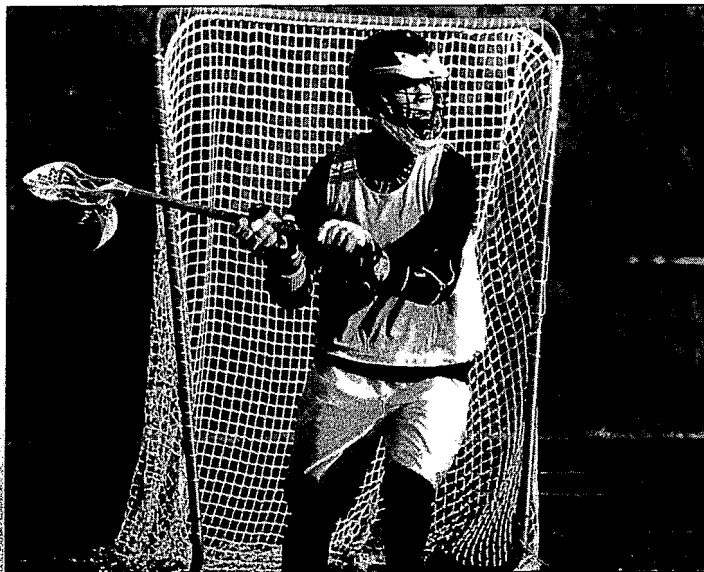
This was the second state championship she has competed in. Her first was last year. She swam for the Clarkston Sea Wolves for five years and just joined Liquid Lightning.

For aspiring athletes, she said never to give up. One of the obstacles she faced during the season was change of coaches.

"I really was attached to one of the coaches," she said. "It was a little emotional. It got in my head and I wasn't doing well."

Her parents, Rick and Valerie, helped to pull her out of it.

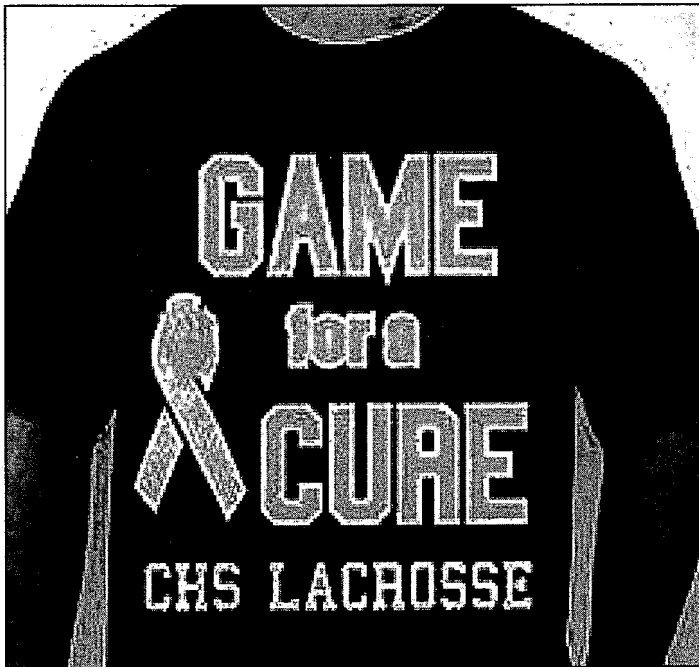
"Just talking about it really helped me," Haley added. "Plus they say, practice doesn't make perfect it's how much effort you put into practice will make you perfect. Perfect practice makes perfect."



Sophomore midfield Austin Egler passes the ball during practice. Photo by WAR

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The Clarkston High School Boys Varsity Lacrosse team is sponsoring their ninth annual Game for a Cure, May 11, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

All of the proceeds from the event go to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Cancer Research Center in Pontiac, Michigan.

Last year, Clarkston Lacrosse donated over \$15,000 to St. Joseph's Cancer Research Center.

T-shirts are only \$15 and allow free admission when worn to Game for a Cure.

In addition to lacrosse games played every hour, a bake sale, fastest shot contest and dunk tank; a youth tournament with players in grades 2-8 will also take place in the fields behind Clarkston High School stadium.

Game for a Cure was started nine years ago as a tribute to Frank Kaminskas "Big Poppa," whose positive influence impacted

many in the lacrosse community. Clarkston Lacrosse continues to honor Big Poppa by hosting Game for a Cure.

"It's a way to teach our young players the importance of giving back and investing in their community," commented Brian Kaminskas, Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse head coach. "As coaches we believe it's important to echo the values and lessons that are being taught in the homes of our players. Establishing a day of lacrosse seemed like the natural way to mirror this."

Twenty-six teams will participate in lacrosse games throughout the day leading up to the boys varsity team against Petoskey at 7:30 p.m.

For more information or to order a Game for a Cure t-shirt, contact Kim Kneisel at kk2tall@aol.com

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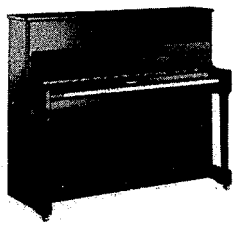
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Sophomore Madeleine DeClercq quickens her speed to bypass a Notre Dame Prep defender. Photo by Larry Wright

Sports questions? Find answers here

Clarkston athletes have battled the elements - snow, rain, wind - as they prepared for the 2013 spring season to begin. No matter the challenges of getting outside all teams are pumped and ready to head into the bulk of the season. We are excited to bring the Spring Sports Preview and share thoughts from coaches and athletes for the season. Who are the Wolves looking forward to competing against? How does the league look? What are their goals? Get the answers as well as team photos, schedule and roster pages 19-26. Good luck Wolves on your season!

-Wendi Reardon

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Clarkston Varsity Baseball team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Baseball

Wolves swinging into action

Senior Jason Robak exclaimed fans can expect big things from the Clarkston Varsity Baseball team this spring.

The team has 14 returners from last year's 16-9 finish.

"We have a lot of experience back," said Phil Price, head coach. "Our knowledge of the game should be pretty, dam good. We have a good bunch of kids who have worked hard in the off season. They spent a lot of hours in the weight room. Hopefully it will pay off."

He added a plus is the experience from their nine seniors returning - Robak, Zachary Altpeter, Nicholas Mazzone, Jacob O'Berry, Kyle Savoie, Weston Sielaff, Ryan Slaughter and Eric Tait.

They have eight new players on this year's roster of 22.

"It is one of the best things this year, we are going to have competition," added Price.

"We have guys pushing each other for playing time."

For offense, they have a lot of depth including three-year starter Mazzone as their centerfielder.

"He should be a good catalyst for us in the outfield," Price added.

For defense, they have five pitchers ready to strikeout the competition. The pitchers are Slaughter, Rea, O'Berry, Sielaff, junior David Steward and sophomore DJ Zezula.

The only downfall they have run into this spring is the weather. The snow and cold conditions have made it hard to practice to their full potential outside.

The weather won't stop them from fulfilling one of the goals for the season - to compete to their full potential.

"If we win or lose, it happens," said Price. "I want to compete every game. If

someone beats us I want it because they beat us not because we gave it to them."

Other goals include winning the OAA Red league championship, the district championship and making it to the state finals.

One of their biggest opponents to get by in the league is cross town rivals, Lake Orion, on April 12.

"They are going to be good," said Price. "They have two outstanding pitchers. After that it is pretty open but I like our chances against anybody."

The seniors would like to get a win on the Dragons because they have never beat them.

"We're trying to knock off Lake Orion," Robak agreed.

"We're ready to go," said O'Berry.

The Wolves home opener is April 9 against Oxford, 4:30 p.m.

-Wendi Reardon

Varsity Roster

- #2 Alex Peck, junior
- #3 Ryan Rea, junior
- #3 Mitchell Smith, junior
- #5 DJ Zezula, sophomore
- #6 Kyle Savoie, senior
- #7 Shane Hynes, junior
- #9 Jordan Cox, junior
- #10 Nicholas Mazzone, senior
- #11 Jordan Robak, senior
- #13 Blake Rehahn, junior
- #14 Joe Popp, sophomore
- #15 Jacob O'Berry, senior
- #18 Jacob Armstrong, junior
- #20 Ryan Slaughter, senior
- #21 Jacob LaPorte, junior
- #22 Weston Seilaff, senior
- #24 Sean Martens, junior
- #25 Adam Klebba, junior
- #28 Eric Tait, senior
- #30 Nicholas Morey, junior
- #32 Zachary Altpeter, senior
- #38 David Steward, junior

2013 Schedule

- April 9, Oxford, home, 4:30 p.m.
- April 10, Bloomfield Lahser, home, 4 & 6 p.m.
- April 12, Lake Orion, away, TBA
- April 15, Rochester Adams, away, TBA
- April 24, Oxford, away, TBA (DH)
- May 1, Lake Orion, home, 4 & 6 p.m.
- May 4, Roy Warner Classic, home, 10 a.m.
- May 8, Adams, home 4 p.m. & 6 p.m.
- May 11, Mt. Pleasant Tournament, away, TBA
- May 15, Stoney Creek, away, TBA
- May 17, Waterford Kettering, home, 4 & 6 p.m.
- May 18, Nathan Manuel Memorial, home 10 a.m.
- May 20, Rochester, home, 4 & 6 p.m.
- May 23, OAA Red/Blue game, home, 4:30 p.m.
- May 28-June 15 MHSAA Districts, Regionals, Quarterfinals, Semi-Finals, Finals

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Varsity Roster

#14 Brenna Cooper, senior
#23 Sydney Hasselbach, senior
#6 Katie Nelson, senior
#3 Rachel Alli, junior
#19 Mackenzie King, junior
#20 Katie Kuenzel, junior
#12 Mikayla Blaska, sophomore
#88 Alex Favazza, sophomore
#11 Candace Kitchen, sophomore
#33 Madeline Maday, sophomore
#97 Victoria Sharkey, sophomore
#17 Rachel Vieira, sophomore
#8 Mariah Hood
#2 Abby Skvarce

2013 Schedule

April 10, Rochester High School (double header), Away, 4:30 p.m.
April 12, Goodrich High School (double header), Home, 4:30 p.m.
April 17, Troy High School (double header), Away, 4:30 p.m.
April 20, Girls in Pink Classic, Home, 10 a.m.
April 22, Davison High School (double header), Home, 4:30 p.m.
April 24, North Farmington High School (double header), Away, 4:30 p.m.
April 29, Oxford High School (double header), Home, 4:30 p.m.
May 1, Lake Orion High School (double header), Home, 4:30 p.m.
May 4-5, Michigan Stars, Away, 8 a.m.
May 8, Farmington HS (double header), Home, 4:30 p.m.
May 11, Traverse City Tournament, Away, TBA
May 15, Troy Athens High School (double header), Away, 4:30 p.m.
May 17-18, U of M Tournament, Away, TBA
May 21, Adams High School (double header), Away, 4:30 p.m.
May 28, 31, June 1, MHSAA Districts 28, 31, or 1, Away, TBA
June 8, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
June 11, MHSAA Q'trinals, Away, TBA
June 14, MHSAA Semi-Finals, Away, TBA
June 15, MHSAA Finals, Away, TBA



Clarkston Girls Varsity Softball team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Softball

Swinging into the softball season

The Lady Wolves are anxious to hit the field for their season opener on April 9 after finishing last year with a district champs and a 36-6 record.

After graduating four players from last year's roster, the majority of the team is back to retain the OAA Red and district title.

Two of them include senior catcher Sydney Hasselbach and sophomore pitcher Madeline Maday, both received All-State honors last year.

"I am excited to be back in the atmosphere of softball," said Hasselbach. "These girls are my family especially around this time of year. I love playing softball. I love diving and getting dirty."

Also back to the diamond are seniors Brenna Cooper, Katie Nelson, juniors Rachel Alli, Mackenzie King, sophomores Mikayla Blaska, Candace Kitchen, Madeline Maday, Victoria Sharkey and Rachel Vieira.

"There are a few upperclassmen but we are trying to pass our knowledge to the younger girls," said Hasselbach. "So we

don't have just a good season this year but also in the years that follow."

New to the team are junior Katie Kuenzel; sophomores Alex Favazza, Victoria Wycoff; freshmen Mariah Hood and Abby Skvarce.

"I am looking forward to seeing how we evolve because we have a lot of athletic, young kids," said Clarkston Varsity Softball Head Coach Don Peters. "I think seeing how they grow together as a team and individuals."

"We have a good chemistry that will help us win games," Alli added. "We have a young team and I want to grow as a program."

Leading the team are captains Hasselbach, Nelson and Alli.

"Sydney is a four year starter and brings experience," added Peters. "Sydney and Katie both bring senior leadership. Rachel brings a real presence. She is very confident in what she does and is very good."

Peters added they are strong this year with four pitchers on the mound - Kitchen, Maday, Cooper and Favazza, who came up

from the JV team.

"We are pretty lucky to have four at any level," he smiled.

Two of the goals for the season are to win the league and district titles again. But it begins with the main goal, said Peters, to get better each day as well as be as competitive as possible at state level.

"I want to reduce our errors in high stress situations," Hasselbach said. "We have such great potential. We have strong fielders and hitters. We have power. If we all come together, mesh well, get to our potential by working hard every day we will go far."

Alli added she would like to see the amount of strikeouts reduced.

"If you do strikeouts, make sure you go out swinging," she said.

Home games are held at the Clarkston High School softball field, 6093 Flemings Lake Road.

"We all love the game," Alli smiled. "When we are together we are having fun."

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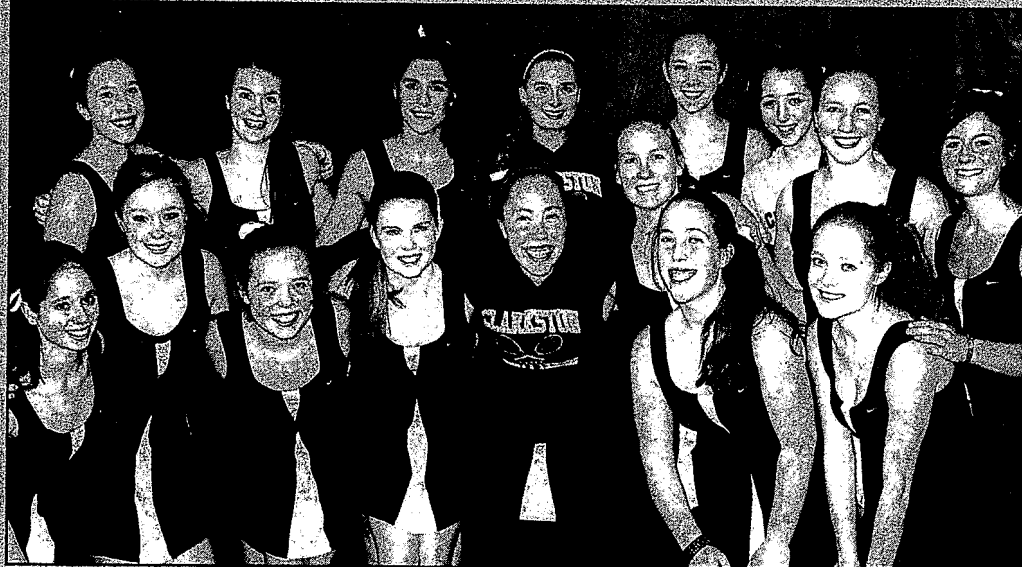


Varsity Roster

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 Olivia Baylis, freshman
 Mackenzie Bedor, senior
 Amy Brozovich, freshman,
 Rebecca Gorz, junior
 Katie Hubregsen, sophomore
 Kendra Mantz, senior
 Miranda Marshall, junior
 Caitlin McCaghy, sophomore
 Dana Olsen, junior
 Paige Olsen, junior
 Mackenzie Sowers, sophomore
 Isabella Spindler, freshman
 Jordan Stuart, senior
 Alexandra Whall, freshman
 Monique Zentner, senior

2013 Schedule

April 9, Detroit Country Day School, Away, 4:15 p.m.
 April 11, Seaholm High School, Home, 4 p.m.
 April 16, Adams High School, Away, TBA
 April 18, West Bloomfield HS, Home, 4 p.m.
 April 20, Pioneer Inv., Away, 8 a.m.
 April 23, Troy High School, Away, TBA
 April 24, Cranbrook Kingswood HS, Away, 4 p.m.
 April 27, Ann Arbor Inv., Away, TBA
 April 30, Andover High School, Away, TBA
 May 2, Bloomfield Lahser HS, Home, 4 p.m.
 May 4, Holly Inv., Away, 8 a.m.
 May 9, OAA Tourney, Troy HS, Away, TBA
 May 13, Marian High School, Home, 4 p.m.
 May 16, MHSAA Regionals 16 or 17 or 18, Away, TBA
 May 17, MHSAA Regionals 16 or 17 or 18, Away, TBA
 May 18, MHSAA Regionals 16 or 17 or 18, Away, TBA
 May 21, Utica Eisenhower High School, Away, 4 p.m.
 May 29, Cranbrook Kingswood HS, Home, 4 p.m.
 May 31, MHSAA Finals, Away, TBA
 June 1, MHSAA Finals, Away, TBA



Clarkston Girls Varsity Tennis team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Tennis

Confidence on the court

The Lady Wolves claimed the top two spots in the state for the last two years as state champion in 2011 and runner-up in 2012.

This season shouldn't be any different. But as the Clarkston Girls Varsity Tennis team practices for their next meet they aren't looking that far ahead.

"We want to get better every day," said junior Lexi Baylis, who was state champ in her court last year. "So when it gets to the first week of June we are in our tip top condition."

"We all are going to try our best and work our hardest," added freshman Isabella Spindler. "We will see what happens by the end of the season."

The team has eight returners - Baylis, Mackenzie Bedor, Katie Hubregsen, Miranda Marshall, Dana Olsen,

Paige Olsen, Jordan Stuart and Monique Zentner. Paige also finished as state champion on her court.

Eight players join the team this year - Olivia Baylis, Amy Brozovich, Rebecca Gorz, Kendra Mantz, Caitlin McCaghy, Mackenzie Sowers, Spindler and Alexandra Whall.

"I am looking forward to a new experience, meeting new people, having some fun and trying to enjoy the game," added Spindler.

Though it is an individual sport, Baylis said they are a team through and through.

"Chemistry is huge," she added. "Good team chemistry allows us to get better because we encourage each other as a team. Knowing every single girl here has each other's back is important when you are trying to get through a tough match."

As a team they will work on their goal to win the league title as they work step by step to the state finals.

"We will be competitive in the league," added Coach Becky Freeman. "I know Seaholm won their division - they will again be strong. West Bloomfield always has a strong program."

They will face Seaholm, April 11, and West Bloomfield, April 18, both at home at 4 p.m.

The Lady Wolves come back from break for a match against Detroit Country Day as they work towards the finals in June.

"This is my favorite time of year," added Baylis.

"I look forward to spending time with the girls. I look forward to the atmosphere and the good attitude we have."

-Wendi Reardon

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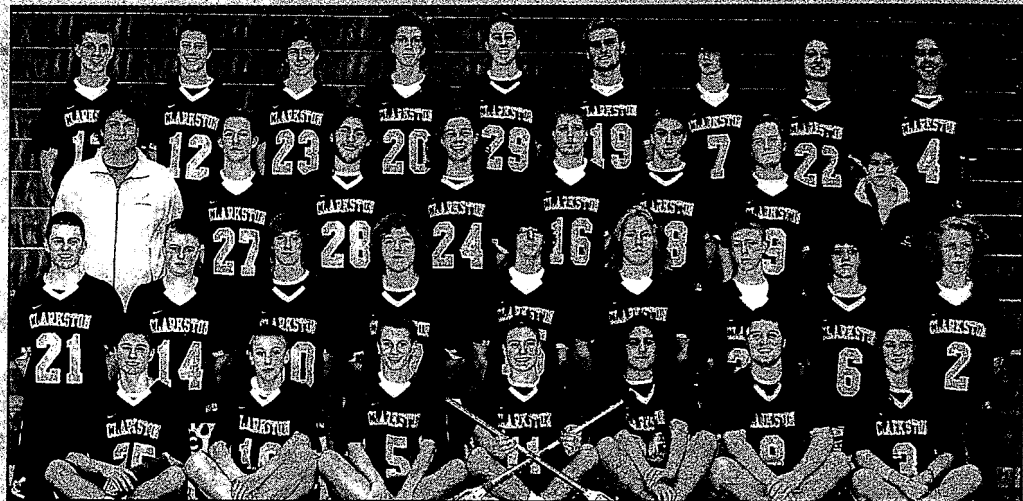
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 Cole Phillips, sophomore
 Mitch Prock, sophomore
 DJ Rodgers, sophomore
 Andrew Williamson, sophomore
 Scott Allen, junior
 Clark Beattie, junior
 Brian Cornell, junior
 Connor Dziewit, junior
 Robert Hall, junior
 Jake Hendricks, junior
 Reid Kaminski, junior
 Ethan Kurolovech, junior
 Jim McKillop, junior
 Cooper Parks, junior
 Bo Simpson, junior
 Connor Ward, junior
 Nick Werner, junior
 Austin Beavis, senior
 Preston Haven, senior
 Sean Johnson, senior
 Evan Kneisel, senior
 A.J. Kowal, senior
 Kyle O'Grady, senior
 Jordan Moore, senior
 Nate Osborne, senior
 A.J. Schlaff, senior



Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Lacrosse

Team to take season one goal at a time

The Wolves lost a bulk of their team last year as they graduated 12 seniors but returning talent and new players have them looking good for another memorable year.

"Some people have some doubt but overall our team is well-prepared for the challenges in front of us," said senior co-captain Kyle O'Grady. "It is going to be a good year."

Brian Kaminskas, head coach for the Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse team agreed.

"A lot of people are expecting us to take a step back," he said. "I think we will stay at the same level. The skill level has increased over the last 3-4 years with the younger guys. They are coming up and better prepared. They are more athletic, too."

Evan Kneisel, senior co-captain added everyone is pushing each other to be the best they can be - on and off of the field.

The team has 11 returners this season with 20 more coming onto the team for their first time on varsity.

"They are hungry," added Kaminskas. "They figure there was some unfinished business last year. They want to settle some scores."

They already have quite a few games circled on the calendar including Notre Dame Preparatory, their home opener, and the playoffs especially since they are in a different region this year.

"We look forward to every game but some games are bigger than others," said O'Grady. "We enjoy harder competition we play against and the extra preparation to play against harder teams is enjoyable. Hopefully we walk away with victories."

The goals for the season begins with staying undefeated at home, win majority of their ground ball and have less than six goals scored against them.

"Being undefeated at home is a goal we have had for three years and we have been successful," said Kneisel.

"We are taking it step by step," O'Grady

added. "We made sure at the beginning of the season not to look at our overall goals but our short term goals and accomplish them piece by piece instead of setting our sights too far ahead."

With completing those goals and being tough on the field it should lead to good overall season and to another OAA Red title and hopefuling a regional title.

"The league is stronger than it was last year," Kaminskas said. "We played Seaholm pretty tight last year and they were young. Lake Orion is returning a good number of guys. There are a couple of really nice rivalry games there. We have always played each other well."


The Wolves return from spring break for their home opener against Notre Dame, April 11 at 7:30 p.m.

"We are playing one game at a time," said Kneisel. "It is a cliché thing to say but that is pretty much going to be a big part of our season."

Wendi Reardon

2013 Schedule

April 11, Notre Dame Prep, home, 7:30 p.m.
 April 16, Troy Athens, away, 7 p.m.
 April 18, Bloomfield United, away, 7 p.m.
 April 20, Toledo St. Francis, home, 2 p.m.
 April 23, Adams, home, 7 p.m.
 April 24, Farmington, home, 7 p.m.
 April 27, Lake Orion, away, 2 p.m.
 May 1, Stoney Creek, home, 7:30 p.m.
 May 4, St. Mike's - Toronto, away, 7 p.m.
 May 7, Cranbrook/Kingswood, away, TBA
 May 9, Birmingham Cons., home, 7:30 p.m.
 May 11, Petoskey (Lacrosse for a Cure), home, 7:30 p.m.
 May 14, De La Salle Collegiate, away, 4:30 p.m.
 May 16-June 1, MHSAA Regional, away, TBA
 May 18, Troy, home, TBA
 June 5, 8, MHSAA Semi-Finals, Finals, away, TBA



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Clarkston Girls Varsity Lacrosse team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Lacrosse

Lady Lacrossers aim for strong wins

Only a few points separated the Lady Wolves from a regional title last year and this season's returners are anxious to be victorious.

Clarkston Girls Varsity Lacrosse Coach Daneen Kincaid added the ending to last year will help as the girls practice and play every game.

"It was a lesson learned for them on how to believe in themselves," she said.

The team will be strong on the offensive end of the field and will be led by senior Lauren Sharkey.

"They have done a lot of off season conditioning," said Kincaid. "We are much more a physically fit team this year than in years past."

She added offense will help to balance out the field since they are rebuilding their defense this year. They lost 12 seniors last year - most of which played defensive.

"You can expect a lot of hard work," said

Sharkey going into the season. "The team is really dedicated. I have never been with a group of girls so driven to work out and work hard. They push themselves because they want it."

"They are really motivated," added senior Anna Gray.

Kincaid added she has already seen motivation and dedication from the girls during practice. When it was a bitter, cold day on the second day of the season the girls went outside on the turf to play.

"The turf was open," she said. "The girls put on their winter gear. It showed me their commitment."

With new players they also have an entire new coaching staff including Kincaid. Plus, Stephanie Dellinger, a 2012 Clarkston graduate, is returning as a technique coach.

"We are thrilled to have her," Kincaid smiled. "She will bring a lot of game experience to the girls. It makes a huge difference

with the technique the girls are learning."

Sharkey, Gray and senior Madison McGuire are looking forward to leading the team, assisting their teammates and teaching the younger players what they need to do.

"Not just to take it to the goal and score," Sharkey added. "We want to leave a mark and make sure the program stays strong."

The goals for the season is to improve upon the work they put in last year and have confidence in their skills as they bring them to the game.

"It will be fun to see where this team goes," said Kincaid. "It will be a fun year. I am excited."

The Lady Wolves come back from break with a game at Lake Orion, April 11, and are home against Rochester, April 12.

"We are looking forward to winning a lot of games because it is going to happen," said Sharkey.

-Wendi Reardon

Varsity Roster

- #1 Sara Hall, junior
- #3 Anna Gray, senior
- #4 Natalie Bowman, senior
- #5 Caitlin Toth, junior
- #6 Paige Lucas, senior
- #7 Mackenzie Hannon, sophomore
- #8 Ryleigh McGregor, junior
- #9 Korinne Lowes, sophomore
- #10 Sabrina Parks, freshman
- #11 Sarah Deo, sophomore
- #13 Jillian Kurolovech, freshman
- #14 Kirsten Isbell, junior
- #15 Madeleine DeClercq, sophomore
- #17 Lauren Sharkey, senior
- #18 Jade Beauregard, sophomore
- #21 Lyndsey Pike, sophomore
- #22 Madison McGuire, senior
- #24 Sierra Pass, junior
- #25 Erica Yeloushan, sophomore

2013 Schedule

- March 25, Waterford United, Home, 7 p.m.
- March 27, Notre Dame Prep, Home 7 p.m.
- March 28, Swartz Creek High, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 11, Lake Orion High, away, TBA
- April 12, Rochester High School, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 19, Adams High, Away, 5:30 p.m.
- April 25, Grand Blanc High, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 26, Stoney Creek High, Away, TBA
- May 3, Troy Athens, Home 7 p.m.
- May 4, Ladywood Tournament, Away, 9 a.m.
- May 6, Birmingham Consolidated (@ Seaholm), Away, 7:30 p.m.
- May 8, Bloomfield United, Away, TBA
- May 11, Oxford High School (Lacrosse for a Cure), Home, 2:30 p.m.
- May 13, Marian High, Home, 7 p.m.
- May 16, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
- May 16, Troy High, Away, TBA
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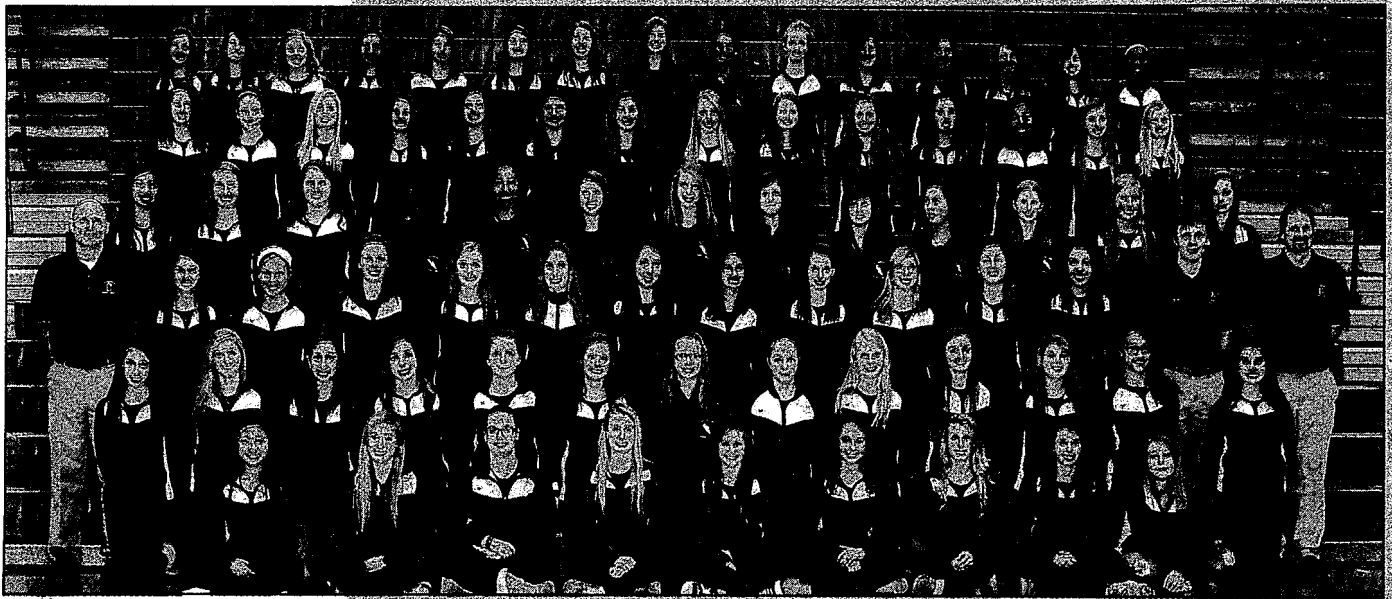
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Clarkston Girls Track & Field team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Track and field

Lady Wolves seek titles in spring season

2013 Schedule

- April 9, Stoney Creek, home, 4:30 p.m.
- April 16, Oxford, home, 4:30 p.m.
- April 20, Brandon Invitational, away, TBA
- April 18, Lake Orion, away, 4:30 p.m.
- April 23, Rochester Adams, away, TBA
- April 30, Rochester, away, TBA
- May 3, Bay City Western Inv., away, 3:30 p.m.
- May 7, 9th Grade Inv. at Pontiac, 3 p.m.
- May 9, OAA Meet at Stoney Creek, TBA
- May 17, MHSAA Regional at Brandon, TBA
- May 24, Oakland County, Holly, 2 p.m.
- May 25, 9th Grade Oakland County Meet
- June 1, MHSAA Finals, away, TBA

Finishing undefeated in the OAA Red league was a huge accomplishment the Clarkston Girls Track & Field team is looking to repeat in the 2013 season.

"I think we have a chance at it again," said John Yorke, head coach. "Rochester Adams will be good again. They are returning three All-Staters. After that it is hard to say."

The team graduated a league champ in the high jump, shot put and disc last year but Yorke added they will be stronger in sprints.

"They will be hard to replace," he said. "We will still be pretty good but it still might be tough."

Returning this year are Erin Bilette, in the one mile; Lynsie Gram, distance events;

Franziska Loetzner and Molly Jeffers, mid-distance events; Maddie Wilson and Taylor Mullins, sprints; Tessa Manilla, high jump; Taylor Beach, shot put; Maicey Peterson, pole vault.

"Beach is our best thrower," Yorke added. "We are really going to depend on her a lot to replace last year's league championship. Lynsie is only a sophomore but we will rely on her quite a bit this year. Mullins will be a big help, too."

The team will be helped by a lot of other returners and freshmen joining this season. "I am anxious to see how our new girls and freshmen are going to help us out," added Yorke.

"I am also anxious to see how much our veterans have improved from last year. It is

a good opportunity for our returners to step up for the girls who graduated. There are a lot of shoes to fill."

The goals for the season include winning the league title, MHSAA Regional title on May 17 at Brandon High School and sending as many athletes as they can to the state meet in East Kenwood in June.

"I think we have a chance for the regional championship," Yorke said. "It will be tough to do but we will be right there."

The Lady Wolves come back from spring break to host Stoney Creek on April 9, 4:30 p.m. in a league meet. They follow it with another league meet at home against Oxford on April 16. They will see all of their OAA Red foes on May 9 at Stoney Creek.

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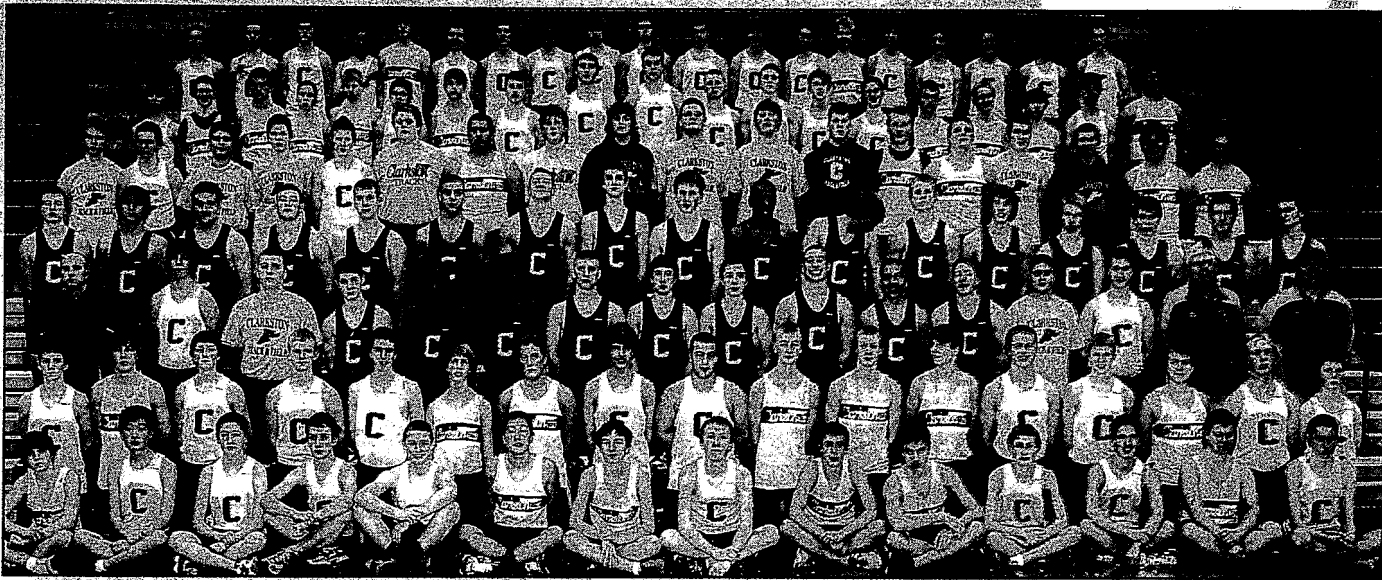
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Clarkston Boys Track & Field team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Track and field

Making leaps over the competition in track and field

The Wolves had a cold start to the season but they are ready to warm up the track with their training for the spring.

"We will be competitive," said John Bennink, head coach for Clarkston Boys Track & Field team. "Last year we had one team that gave us trouble and that was Lake Orion. We were strong in the field events which helped us last year. We will be strong again."

He added they will be strong top to bottom with the addition of strong sprinters, relay teams and jumpers. Plus, athletes in the shot put and disc events with a lot of experience.

"I am excited," Bennink smiled. "Like all of our kids and they really work hard in practice. It's been really nice."

The Wolves have Blake Sutherland and

Allen Gray competing in the 400-meter dash. Gray will also compete in the high jump with Tim Cason and Andrew Swanson.

Swanson, Mitchell McCord and Caine Watlington will compete in the hurdle events. Watlington also joins Merrick Canada as they both compete in the long jump. Ian Eriksen will compete in the 100-meter and 200-meter dash and the relay races.

Leading the boys in the distance events are Scott Cousino in the 800-meter, Dan Billette in the 800-meter, 1,600-meter and 3,200-meter events; Nick Moore and Austin Draving in the 1,600-meter and 3,200-meter events; and David Pozawatz in the 3,200-meter run.

"Every kid is important," Bennink added. "We want to see them run their fastest and do their best by the end of the season."

The goals for the season begin with each athlete improving on a daily basis.

"That will lead to good things," Bennink added.

The next goal is to win as many meets as they can leading to larger goals of winning the league championship, regional championship and going to the state meet.

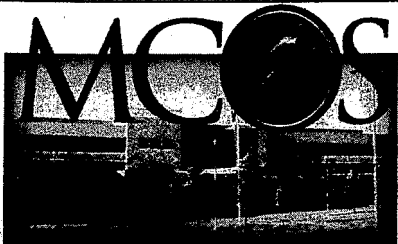
The boys come back from spring break to host Stoney Creek on April 9, 4:30 p.m. They will see Stoney Creek again in the OAA Meet on May 9, before they head to MHSAA Regionals at Brandon on May 17.

"We like to get faster and stronger and throw and jump higher," Bennink said. "If we do that we will be happy in the end. I hope the kids have fun and enjoy the comradie and support in track."

WAR

2013 Schedule

- April 16, Oxford, home, 4:30 p.m.
- April 18, Lake Orion, away, 4:30 p.m.
- April 20, Brandon Invitational, away, TBA
- April 23, Rochester Adams, away, TBA
- April 30, Rochester, away, TBA
- May 3, Bay City Western Invitational, away, 3:30 p.m.
- May 7, 9th Grade Inv. at Pontiac, 3 p.m.
- May 9, DAA Meet, Stoney Creek, TBA
- May 17, MHSAA Regional, Brandon, TBA
- May 24, Oakland County Meet at Holly, 2 p.m.
- May 25, 9th Grade Oakland County
- June 1, MHSAA Finals, away, TBA



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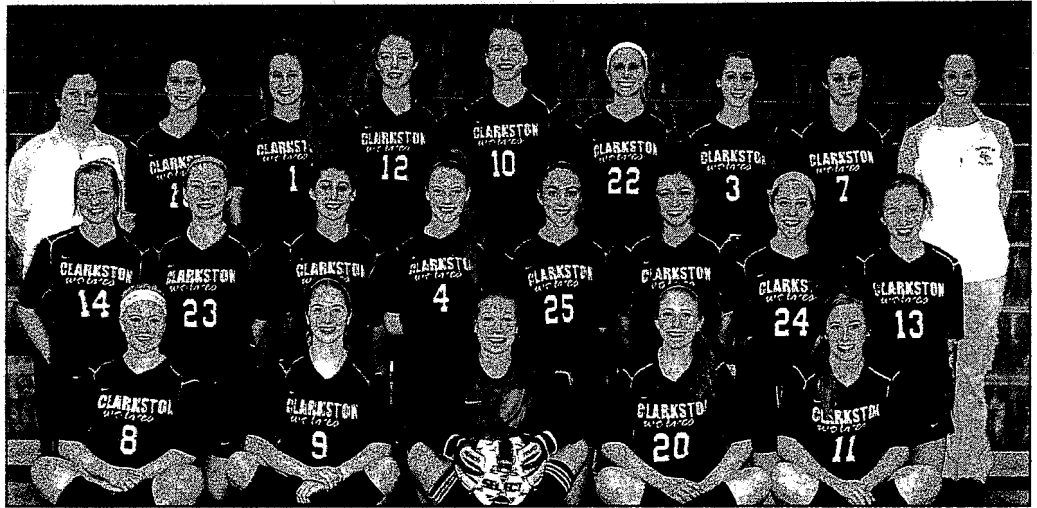
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- #5 Katie Miller, senior
- #8 Maegan French, sophomore
- #9 Shelby Hopper, junior
- #10 Andrea Dean, junior
- #11 Morgan Todd, senior
- #12 Ashley Miles, freshman
- #13 Morgan Halligan, sophomore
- #14 Kayla Grzesiak, junior
- #15 Samantha Messer, junior
- #17 Lindsay Runft, sophomore
- #18 Brooke Henney, sophomore
- #20 Meghan Gruebna, junior
- #22 Lindsey Renkiewicz, senior
- #23 Hannah Siegfried, sophomore
- #24 Courtney Hughes, sophomore
- #25 Emma Eriksen, senior

2013 Schedule

- April 11, Andover High School, Away, TBA
- April 12, Kettering High (Waterford), Away, TBA
- April 15, Lapeer East High, Away, 6:45 p.m.
- April 18, Oxford High School, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 19, Avondale High School, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 23, North Farmington High, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 25, Lapeer West High, Away, 6:30 p.m.
- April 26, Lake Orion High School, Home, 7 p.m.
- April 30, Farmington High School, Away, TBA
- May 2, Bloomfield Lahser HS, Home, 7 p.m.
- May 7, Andover High School, Home, 7 p.m.
- May 9, Avondale High School, Away, TBA
- May 14, Oxford High School, Away, TBA
- May 16, North Farmington High, Away, TBA
- May 17, Holly High School, Home, 7 p.m.
- May 28, MHSAA Districts, Away, TBA
- May 29, MHSAA Districts, Away, TBA
- May 30, MHSAA Districts, Away, TBA
- May 31, MHSAA Districts, Away, TBA
- June 1, MHSAA Districts, Away, TBA
- June 4, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
- June 5, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
- June 6, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
- June 7, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
- June 8, MHSAA Regional, Away, TBA
- June 12, MHSAA Semi-Finals, Away, TBA
- June 15, MHSAA Finals, Away, TBA



Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Soccer

Sights on making Wolf history

Since they were freshmen Allison Roberts and Lindsey Renkiewicz have eyed assisting the Lady Wolves to win their first ever district title in soccer.

Now seniors, the thirst is still there.

"It has always been something I wanted since it hasn't been done," said Roberts.

"It would be cool to get it and be remembered as being the first district champs for the school and the program," added Renkiewicz.

Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer Head Coach Sarah Wasilk added the players talk about it every season and it is something they work towards.

Though the squad graduated seven seniors, they can still reach their championship vision with eager young players.

"They are hard-working," added Wasilk.

"We do have a good core group of seniors who also provide good leadership."

They have five seniors coming back with

Renkiewicz, Roberts, Emma Eriksen, Katie Miller and Morgan Todd.

Goalkeeper Miller is back for her third year on varsity and forwards Roberts and Todd will provide leadership on top.

"They really work well together," Wasilk added.

Also returning are sophomores Brooke Henney, Maddie Herbert; juniors Kayla Grzesiak, Shelby Hopper and Samantha Messer. They have 11 new players to the team with juniors Andrea Dean, Meghan Gruebna, Lindsay Runft, Hannah Siegfried; sophomores Maegan French, Morgan Halligan, Courtney Hughes, Parker Menard; Olivia Montgomery and freshman Ashley Miles.

Wasilk said Miles will play defense and add some additional depth to the team. She added the young players will help out.

"They are really enthusiastic," Wasilk explained. "They are eager to play and to

learn. They really push our upperclassmen which is good as well."

"I feel like we are really skilled and we work well together," said Renkiewicz.

Besides winning for their first district title, the Lady Wolves are also working towards a league title in the OAA White. Last year they finished with a tie in second place.

"We were all close last year," Wasilk said about the competition. "It was only a few points separating everyone. The team who finished first and the team who finished last there were only a few games that separated them from each other. There wasn't one or two teams that dominated. I anticipate it will be the same way this year."

Roberts added for her last year her goal is to help the program to advance.

The Lady Wolves return from spring break with two away games - Bloomfield Lahser on April 9 and Andover on April 11.

-Wendi Reardon

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— Jack Murphy



"I'm excited for warm weather, being outdoors, riding bikes and baseball."

— David Murphy



"I'm excited to be outside and the warm weather"

— Erica Cheritt

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Sap tapping time

Syrup sap by the gallon this season

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

If you take a drive down Bond Trail in Independence Township, some of the trees may catch your eye. Slow down and take a closer look, and you'll find two-gallon buckets full of clear sap hanging from the trunks of Sugar Maples.

Dale Bond, who has lived in the area since the late 60s, has been harvesting the sap for years, and this season, "we've got more than we can handle," he said.

With the help of Trevor Newman, Wally Niezguski, brothers Mark and Paul Angelini, and several of his neighbors, Bond has 47 trees tapped and every one produces about two gallons each day.

Although the trees tapped along Bond Trail are Sugar Maples, Red and Silver Maples along with Box Elder trees about one foot in diameter can be tapped for sap too.

To draw the sweet liquid from the trees, a short metal spike is drilled into the trunk's sun-warmed South side. Next, plastic buckets, spaced about fifteen inches apart, are hung from the spike. Then, gravity does the rest.

Getting the most sap from the Sugar Maples is all about timing, according to Mark Angelini. "The trees will only run when the temperature is above freezing," he said. Once temperatures reach about 45 degrees at night, the tree will start to send the sap outward to its buds, and the season for tapping will end.

The Sugar Maples along Bond Trail have been tapped since early March, but with warmer weather on its way the window of time for drawing sap is coming to a close.

For now, sap drips as clear as water from the trees and "tastes reminiscent of coconut milk," Paul Angelini observed.

Between chopping wood and gathering



From left Wally Niezguski, Mark Angelini, Dale Bond, Paul Angelini, and Trevor Newman boil sap. Photos by Mary Keck

buckets full of the sweet stuff, the tree tappers drank their harvest straight from glasses while sitting around a roaring fire atop which a large vat of sap bubbled and steamed.

Boiling the sap causes the water to evaporate and the sugar molecules to crystallize, which gives the syrup its brown color, Mark explained. To test if the syrup is ready, Bond said he dips a spoon in to judge its texture.

"It takes approximately 40 gallons of sap to make one gallon of syrup," Mark stated. But, the sap can be used for more than a pancake topping.

Paul likes to blend the syrup with brown sugar and drizzle it over popcorn while Niezguski adds yeast to brew a delicious maple beer. On the other hand, Mark prefers a drink called a Switchel made by mixing apple cider vinegar with the sap.



Sap buckets on Sugar Maple trees.

The Sugar Maple tappers on Bond Trail insist the sap's sweet flavor isn't the only reason to have a taste, though. "The roots of the trees reach minerals and nutrients in the soil," Niezguski noted. They say the freshly tapped sap is a good source of B vitamins too.

Whether they pour it over waffles or brew it into beer, the sap lovers on Bond Trail have tapped into an old tradition that's yielded sweet results.


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Used Book/Bake Sale, April 18, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; April 19, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; April 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road, 248-846-6550.

Fashion show with Kim Rose Boutique, 4 p.m., April 20, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Scarf tying demonstration, door prizes. Freewill offering. 248-625-1611.

Symphony of the Lakes, 7:30 p.m., April 20. Clarkston Junior High School, 6595 Middle Lake Road. \$20/regular admission, \$15/seniors, free/students.

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.

The Sapphire Ball, Helping Hearts Helping Hands' sixth annual dinner dance, 6 p.m., April 26, Deer Lake Banquet Center, 6167 White Lake Road. Dinner, silent auction, live auction, cash bar, music, dancing fund raiser for mission to help children in Honduras. \$80 before April 20; \$90 at door. Under 21, \$35 before April 20, \$45 at the door. \$20 after 11 p.m. 248-660-4507, 248-830-6871.

Plant This, Not That, presented by Laura Zigmanth, landscape designer and corticultural consultant, 7:30-9 p.m., May 1, Clarkston St. Daniel Church Cushing Center, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Learn about native alternatives to popular plants, shrubs, flowers. Free. Register, anebushroe@hotmail.com, Wild Ones, North Oakland Chapter.

Around Town



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

Friendship Tea to Benefit Esthers Children, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., May 4, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Luncheon tea, Creative Scarf Tying with Christina Calka of Village Fashion Boutique. \$30. Reservations by April 27, Pam at 248-421-7699 or Leslie at 248-625-8240.

Daffodils & Duds style show and luncheon, Springfield Garden Club, 11:30 a.m., May 9, Genesys Conference and Banquet Center, 805 Health Park Blvd., Grand Blanc. Fashions from Coldwater Creek, silent auction, door prizes. Reservations by April 28, \$27. Call Donna, 248-634-1680, or Vicky, 248-625-0395.

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

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

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.

Look Good Feel Better, American Cancer Society, free makeover for all women in cancer treatment, third Mondays, May 20, July 15, Sept. 16, Nov. 18, 1-3 p.m., McLaren Clarkston, 5680 Bow Pointe. 800-395-LOOK.

Tuesday

Clarkston Community Women's Club, 7 p.m., April 16, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Topic: Container Gardening. All welcome, www.ClarkstonWomensClub.org.

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.

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.

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

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

Wednesday

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

Senior volleyball league, 9-11 a.m., Wednesdays, Fridays, St. Trinity Lutheran Church. Previous experience desired by not required. \$40, through April, thherh7966@comcast.net. 248-625-3881.

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

Tell Us About Your Travels, 7-8:30 p.m., third Wednesday, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

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

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

Independence Township Conservative Club, 6:30 p.m., April 11, Red Knapps Restaurant, 6722 Dixie Highway. Speaker: Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle. Dinner, 6 p.m., info@itccinfo.com.

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

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

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Spring blaze helps Springfield park

BY MARY KECK
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When it comes to fire, Smokey the Bear would likely warn of danger, but Springfield Township Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Tucker has a different view.

From her perspective, "fire is a fantastic tool, if you used correctly."

On April 2, Tucker oversaw a prescribed burn of six acres in Shultz Park on Davisburg Road. Plant Wise LLC, a native landscaping and ecological restoration company from Ann Arbor completed the burn, which was planned to target invasive species.

"That area had never been burned," Tucker explained. "It had a lot of Autumn Olive that needed to be contained or knocked back."

Autumn Olive, an Asian shrub with silvery green, oval-shaped leaves, is a common sight in Michigan these days, but Tucker isn't pleased about its increasing population. "I'm hoping to see a lot of those bushes wiped out," she said.

Tucker sees Autumn Olive as a threat to biodiversity, and it isn't the only nonnative vegetation she's concerned about. Phragmites, Black Swallow-Wart, and Buckthorn are other plants she hopes to target with prescribed burns, which is why the flames won't only reach Shultz Park. Tucker intends to set about 230 acres ablaze in various places in the Shiawassee Basin Preserve in April.

A controlled burn is also planned to eliminate the large stand of tall Phragmites along White Lake Road in Clarkston this Spring.

Tucker said prescribed burns are best at "this time of year because of the temperatures. We wouldn't see very many turtles, snakes, or frogs out yet. That's why we burn so early to be able to avoid them altogether."

In addition to protecting amphibians and reptiles, planning fires for the spring has other advantages. Tucker said, "heat from the fire will germinate seed, regenerate forest floors, and activate nutrients in the soil."

Beneath the ground there are "seeds that have been laying in wait for some kind of catalyst," she explained. "This fire could be it, to basically give a rebirth of that area."

To make sure the fire burns safely, factors such as wind direction and burn breaks are considered. Areas used for burn breaks might already be charred or they could be green space that is less likely to catch flame. In the case of Shultz Park, the Shiawassee river running along its edge was a burn break that contained the fire.

According to Tucker, the flames are kept at about 18 inches in height, which ensures the fire won't get out of control.

While the dry foliage in Shultz Park had never been burned before, Tucker said the Parks and Recreation department "realized what a positive impact fire really can be" in 2005. Since then, prescribed burns of areas around Springfield Township have had a positive results.

For example, fires in the Long Lake Fen complex increased the population of the Powshiek Skippering, an endangered butterfly that thrives in the spring-fed fen habitat. "It's a really unique community," she noted.

Tucker hopes continued prescribed burning will lead to more success stories. "For us, it's really important that we do what we can to make sure this system is intact for the next generations."

Find out more about prescribed burns in Springfield Township on www.springfield-twp.us.

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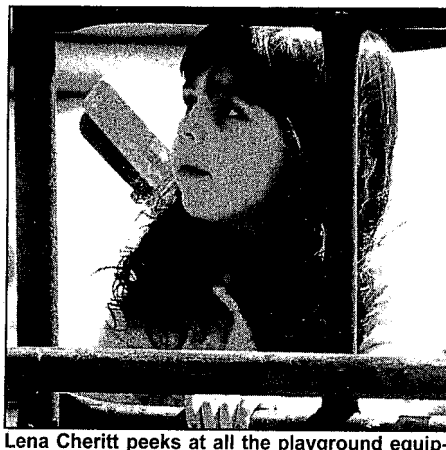


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Charlie Swick catches a ride down the slide.



Lena Cheritt peeks at all the playground equipment to climb.



Gabriella Werner swings on the monkey bars on the train caboose.



Sophia Santia enjoys the sunshine from the swing.

Cold break

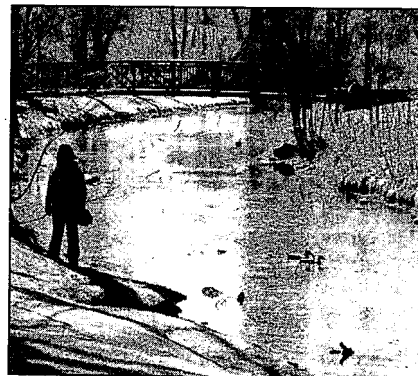
Families staying in Clarkston during spring break last week were treated to a few days of warm weather and sunshine.

Depot Park was the popular place to go as kids of all ages enjoyed climbing the playground equipment, going on the merry-go-round and taking flight on the swings.

Many enjoyed walking through the park, taking a bike ride or just sitting and relaxing in the sunshine.

The ducks enjoyed being fed crackers from visitors while the humans enjoyed their lunch or a snack at the picnic tables or in the gazebo.

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Wendi Reardon*



Ducks flock to the park.



Owen Cheritt takes the wheel for early practice on his driving skills.



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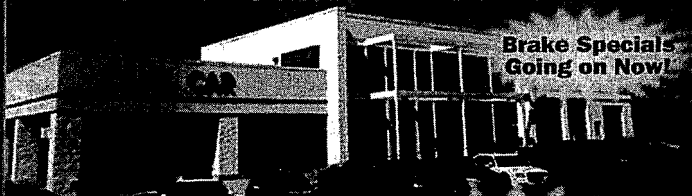


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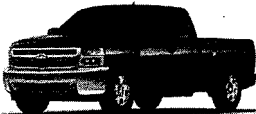


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Trustees seek tweaks to oil, gas contracts

BY MARY KECK

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township Board of Trustees took their first crack at an oil and gas contract with Jordan Development at their meeting on April 2, but some trustees wanted changes before signing off on leasing their mineral rights.

"We're trying to get ahead of the curve and put some provisions in here to protect the township," said Supervisor Pat Kittle.

Among provisions wanted by the board were requirements for ground water testing before mineral extraction and compensation for public road repairs based on increases in truck traffic to drilling sites.

Despite regulations in place in the contract, several residents who attended the meeting expressed concern about potential impact of oil and gas exploration on water resources.

"I worry about the oil coming up from the ground," said Terry Shea, a landowner who hasn't made a decision about signing a lease with Jordan Development.

Shea told the board he had water on his land. "A pipe could break, oil comes up, gets in those streams, gets into Greens Lake, then, I'm out a nice piece of property," he said.

"What if we can't drink our water?" Nancy Rowland asked. "If anything goes wrong, all of those lakes and rivers are all connected, and water is much more valuable than oil," she added.

"We do understand the risks, and we are very sensitive to it. I drink the same water you do," Kittle assured the citizens.

"We aren't able to negotiate on your behalf other than for the township owned properties that are collectively ours," Trustee David Lohmeier pointed out to residents. "Talk to an attorney and make the best decision you can. There's a lot of risks here."

The first draft of the three-year agreement offers Independence Township a sixth of any royalties from minerals found beneath 98 acres.

It is a "non-development" lease, meaning no drilling operations, production facilities, or storage will take place on the surface of township-owned property.

Jordan Development must have a minimum of \$10,000,000 of liability insurance to cover any pollution, property damages, or injuries from their operations. In addition, high volume hydraulic fracturing (fracking) and any operations with hydrogen sulfide emissions are also prohibited.

The contract requires that Jordan Development abide by State and Federal laws in regards to hazardous materials, pollution, and surface and ground water protection. It also insists on compliance with the township's ordinances related to light and noise regulations.

In addition to water contamination concerns, compulsory pooling was a topic



From his backyard, Dave Kelley catches a glimpse of Jordan Development's well site next door. Photo by Mary Keck

that concerned residents.

Jordan Development can petition the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for a compulsory pooling hearing and force landowners to lease their mineral rights. Agreements based on a compulsory pooling hearing are non-developmental, so landowners would not see a wellhead on their property.

They would receive an eighth of royalties from minerals produced but would lose the option to receive an upfront bonus.

Before an oil and gas company can request a compulsory pooling hearing, they must show the DEQ that they have put a strong effort into working with landowners to get leases.

Trustee Andrea Schroeder wanted to know the likelihood of compulsory pooling and asked Bickley how many leases Jordan Development still needed to acquire.

"I don't know," answered Chris Bickley, Jordan Development's representative at the meeting.

"So, we don't know what percentage of the leases he has signed already," Schroeder pointed out to those in attendance.

"It all could be moot point. If he had ninety percent of the leases signed right now, your best choice would be to sign your lease and take what control you can, which is largely what we on our board are trying to decide for the township, but we don't know where we sit with that because he can't give us a number," she summed up. "I think a lot of people in the township would like to have that information."

Bickley said he would try to supply the number to the board at a later date.

Supervisor Kittle asked where the wellheads would be located.

"I don't know," Bickley answered.

Ben Brower, the Vice President of Jordan Development, said he doesn't know where drilling will take place because Jordan has yet to conduct further seismic studies.

"Not until we do some more geophysical work will we know where the wells will be located, if any," he said.

"We want to have enough leases to justify going out and doing additional testing and drilling wells," he stated.

Like Bickley, Brower couldn't say how many leases Jordan Development has obtained in Independence Township or how many would be needed.

"It's over 30,000 [leases signed] in our project, but I don't know how many in Independence exactly. I don't calculate it by township," he said.

"We're buying in multiple areas, so we have state leases, and private leases, and all of the above," he pointed out. "We're adding to the list every day."

When *The Clarkston News* requested a map of the locations Jordan Development hopes to lease, Brower declined to supply the information.

"It's proprietary," he reasoned. "I can't send you where we're interested in leasing."

The township board will meet again on April 16 at 7 p.m. at Township Hall. View their tentative lease agreement on www.twp.independence.mi.us.

Well next door

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one tanker truck to collect oil and another to collect brine water stopped by the site.

About 400 feet away is the house where retirees Dave and Kandy Kelley have lived for 35 years. When it comes to Jordan Development's oil and gas exploration near their home, the Kelley's say, "most of the time, you wouldn't know they were there."

The guard who waits by the No Trespassing sign at the edge of Teggerdine Road is "super nice" and with their windows closed "you can't hear them coming and going," Kandy said. At most, the Kelleys have seen four tanker trucks go to the site in a day, and they "don't smell a thing."

Even though he can see Jordan Development's wellhead from his house, Dave Kelly will tell you, "they're better neighbors than some I've had in the past."

Thus far, Jordan Development has answered all their questions, changed the direction of their lights to accommodate the Kelleys, and even removed a gravel truck when it was in Kandy's way when she tried to drive home. Dave has even played golf with Chris Bickley, one of Jordan's landmen.

According to Kandy, the only downfall of having Jordan Development next door is "the nosy people."

The Kelleys signed the standard five-year lease with Jordan, and after reading through it, didn't make any changes.

From Kandy's point of view, "I would rather them get the oil from over here than overseas." If someone asked her for advice on signing a contract with Jordan Development, she'd say, "go for it."

"I don't think they have anything to lose," said Dave. "If they hit oil, they'll get royalties."

While the Kelleys haven't received a check in the mail yet, Ben Brower, vice president of Jordan Exploration, expects they'll get one soon.

"They'll probably get a check this month," he said. "Typically what happens is we sell oil or gas one month, we get paid for it the next month, then within two weeks, we pay out to the royalty owner."

The wellhead at the corner of Teggerdine and White Lake roads is producing oil and gas, but Jordan Development still considers it in "test mode" because they haven't determined how consistent it will be or how long it will produce.

"It's too early to tell, so we're just testing it to see what the production looks like, if it's sustainable," said Brower. He assures if or when the well produces "any oil or gas that's sold is paid out to whomever is in the drilling unit."



SCAMP DONATION: At left, Anne Leahy, saleswoman with Palm Beach Patio Furniture of Waterford, presents a donation of about \$300 to Donna Clancy, SCAMP executive director, Feb 26. The business, 7350 Highland Road, raised the money selling environmentally friendly, reusable bags, with all proceeds going to SCAMP. Photo provided

Around Town

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cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 7:00 PM in the Independence Township Hall Conference Room, 6483 Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston, MI 48346, to hear the following case:

Case #13-009 MacGillis, Steven, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 11' FROM ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4.06 D, (TABLE 4.06 - R-1A) OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CONSTRUCT COVERED FRONT PORCH
4583 Pinedale Ave., R-1A
Pelton Heights Sub No. 1 Lot 131
08-34-329-007.

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Respectfully submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, Clerk
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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 25, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Luginiski followed by the pledge of allegiance.
Roll: Present - Mayor Luginiski, Hunter, Sabol, Roth, Haven, Eberhardt and Hargis
Moved by Hargis, supported by Hunter to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.
Moved by Haven, supported by Hargis to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.
Moved by Eberhardt, supported by Roth to direct the Treasurer to secure a minimum of three bids to assist in the process of selecting an auditor for the 2012-13 audit.
Motion Carried.
Moved by Sabol, supported by Hargis to adjourn meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Richter
City Clerk

Saturday

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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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS
TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
OF INDEPENDENCE
APRIL 2, 2013

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:02 PM at the Independence Township Hall.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier, Ritchie, Schroeder
Absent: None

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: David Belcher, Building Official; Steven Joppich, Johnson, Rosali, Schultz & Joppich, PC

- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
- E. CLOSED SESSION: None requested
- F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- H. PUBLIC HEARING: None scheduled
- I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

General consensus of Board Members present to address Presentation item I-1 after Presentation item I-2.

- 1. Presentation: Clinton-Oakland Sewage Disposal System (COSDS) Project Cost Allocation Collaboration

- 1. Presentation: Review of Proposed Contract Received from Jordan Development Company, LLC for Oil/Gas Drilling on Township Properties

- 3. Township's 4th Quarter Investment Report

- J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

- K. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval of 2013 Road Chloriding Program
- 2. Approval of GASB 45 Actuarial Services Agreement
- 3. Approval of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes: March 19, 2013
- 4. Approval of Payroll in the Amount of \$204,083.42 and Accounts Payable Check Run in the Amount of \$356,456.13 and for a Total Amount of \$560,539.55

- L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None

The meeting recessed at 8:59 PM
The meeting reconvened at 9:06

- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:

Approval to suspend rules of procedure and address Regular Business item M-4 before Regular Business item M-1.

- 4. Approval to Create a Special Tax Abatement District for 5600 Bow Pointe Dr.

- 1. Approval to Adjust Fee Schedule for Contractual Plumbing, Mechanical and Electrical Inspections

- 2. Adoption of New Township Investment Policy

- 3. Award Bid and Approval of Contract for Human Resources and Payroll Services

- 5. Approval to Purchase Copiers and Sign Service Contracts

- N. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Schroeder discussed agenda items having a budget impact on the General Fund balance.

- O. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

- 1. Report: Building Department Monthly Report for February 2013

- P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

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THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
MARCH 19, 2013

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Independence Township Hall.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier, Ritchie, Schroeder
Absent: None

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Ken Elwert, Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director; Linda Richardson, DPW Director; Barbara Rollin, Senior Center Coordinator

- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As amended
- E. CLOSED SESSION: None requested
- F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Trustee Schroeder announced Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Mind and Body Expo on March 20, 2012 at Deer Lake Athletic Club. Trustee Aliaga announced that the cable television station is involved with the Chamber of Commerce and is providing additional programming and free lessons on camera usage. Carolyn Morrison announced that the seniors are coordinating their Scraps for Seniors program with DPW on May 18th at Clintonwood Park, Linda Richardson added that Electronics Recycling Day will also be on May 18th. Rae Luallen announced that the Conservatives Club will meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at Red Knapps.

- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- H. PUBLIC HEARING: None scheduled
- I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

1. Presentation: Friends of the Senior Adult Activity Center: Carolyn Morrison; Joe Figa

- J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

- K. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Award of Bid for 2013 Baseball Program Shirt Purchase
- 2. Award of Bid and Approval of Fireworks Contract with Zambelli Fireworks (Ken Elwert, Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director)
- 3. Award Bid for 2013 Portable Toilet Services
- 4. Repurpose Utility Vehicle in the Parks Division
- 5. Approval of Budget Amendment #3 as Amended
- 6. Approval of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes: March 5, 2013
- 7. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the Amount of \$722,576.03 and Payroll in the Amount of \$256,325.98 for a Total Amount of \$978,902.01

- L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None

- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:

- 1. Award of Bid for the Purchase of Replacement Vehicles for Water and Sewer
- 2. Approval of Contract with Volunteer Energy Services, Inc. for the Recovery of Natural Gas Costs
- 3. Award of Bid for the Purchase of Replacement Mower for Cemetery-Removed
- 4. Approval to Adjust Fee Schedule for Contractual Plumbing, Mechanical and Electrical Inspections-Removed
- 5. Adoption of Resolution in Support of McLaren Health Care Planned Unit Development in the Charter Township of Independence

- N. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Board Members discussed various topics

- O. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

- 1. Report: Monthly Actual to Budget Financial Update - February, 2013
- 2. Report: State of Michigan Transfer of Class C Liquor License for Sagano of Clarkston
- 3. Report: Minutes Senior Adult Activity Center Advisory Committee-February 14, 2013
- 4. Report: Minutes Safety Path Advisory Committee-February 13, 2013

- P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

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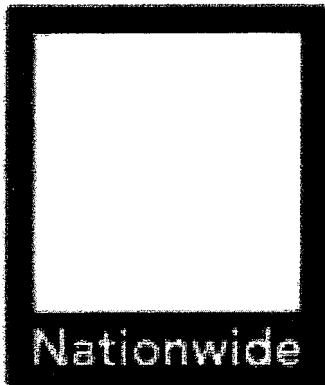
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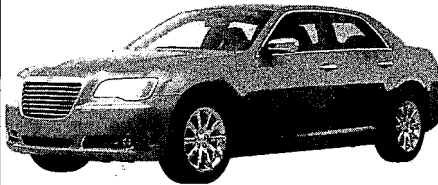
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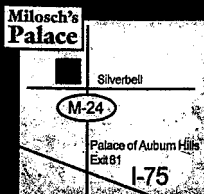
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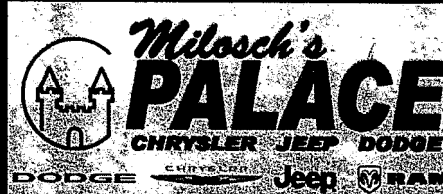
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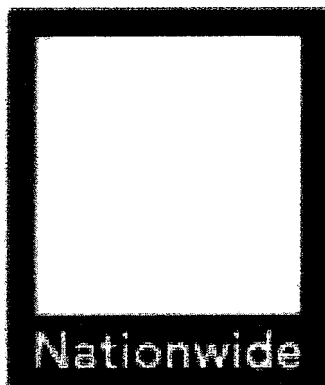
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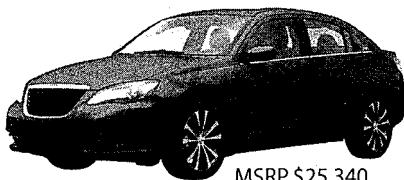
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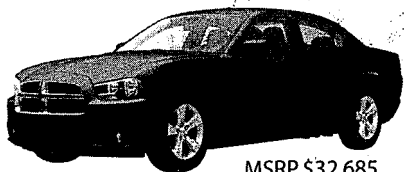


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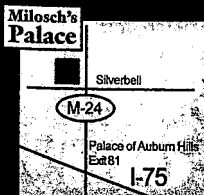
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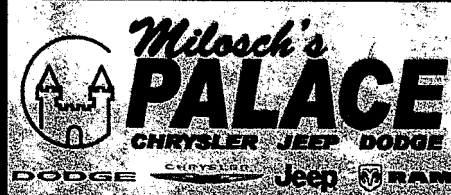


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