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State test scores up

Results to go into 'report card' in August

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston High School students' proficiency scores are up slightly compared to last year in math, social studies, and writing. They remain the same in reading and science.

"We are pleased to see our students' achievement increase," said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock. "Our administrators, teachers, support staff, parents, and students work very hard to achieve at high levels. We expect our students to perform at the highest levels in the county, state, and nation."

Clarkston students who took the Michigan Merit Exam (MME) last spring as juniors scored better in all categories than Oakland County and state averages, by double digits compared to the state.

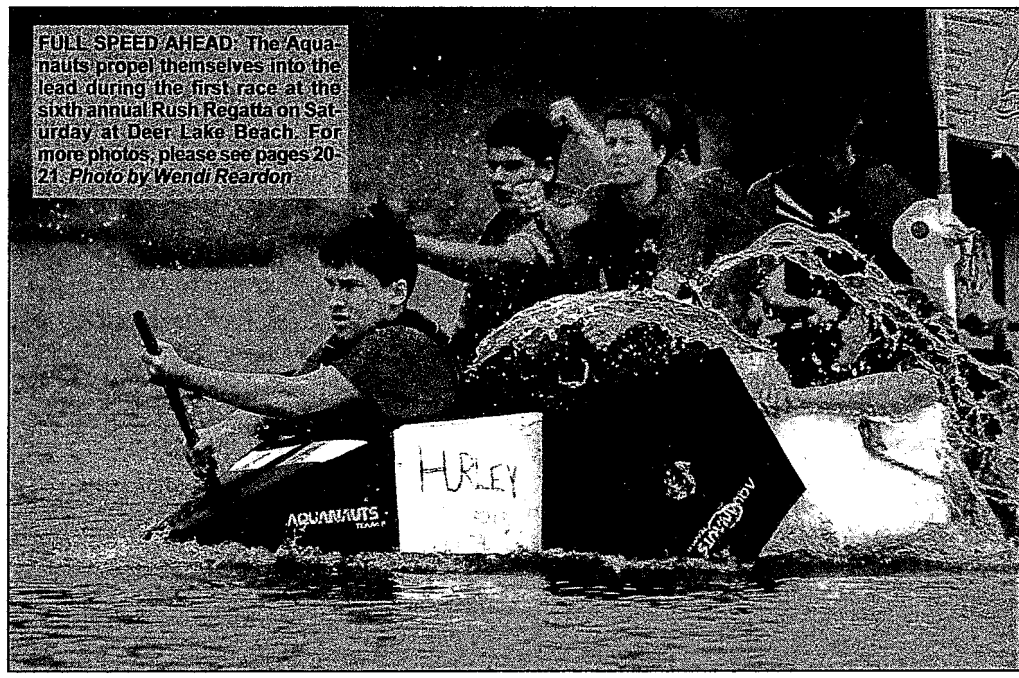
Michigan Department of Education will use MME and other state test results when calculating school and district report card scores to be released in August.

Last year, Clarkston High School received a score of "C," and placed in the top 58th percent in the state's 2011-12 Top to Bottom Ranking List.

Also, Andersonville Elementary, Pine Knob Elementary and Sashabaw Middle were named "Focus Schools" in the 2012 state reports, based on test result gaps between the top 30 percent and bottom

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FULL SPEED AHEAD The Aquanauts propel themselves into the lead during the first race at the sixth annual Rush Regatta on Saturday at Deer Lake Beach. For more photos, please see pages 20-21. Photo by Wendi Reardon



Racing excitement at Waterford Hills

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Visitors from around the country filled Waterford Hills in Independence Township for the 2013 Vintage Races, July 26-28.

Tom Grudovich traveled from Palm Beach, Fla., just to compete in the Vintage Races.

"I've always been racing something throughout my racing career," said Grudovich. "Over the last 10 years I have been racing vintage cars."

Tom Downy started racing in 1974, and

although he retired in 1996, a friend got him to get back into the sport. Downy, like many of his friends, travel all over the country to participate in all kinds of races. There were a lot of visitors like Grudovich and Downy who were far from home, but were willing to travel for the excitement.

A car owned by actor and racing legend Paul Newman made a special appearance at the event, though much too fast to participate in the Vintage races.

"That car has well over \$1 million into it,"

said Shant Saroukhanian.

Hervey Wakcabuk visited Waterford Hills from New York, but he said he grew up in Michigan.

"I like to try different historical tracks, and Waterford Hills has a 60s' feel to it," he smiled. He added he enjoys racing because it provides stimulation and excitement.

"It's good to do something that is a little scary and a little exciting at the same time," said Wakcabuk. "When you go on the track

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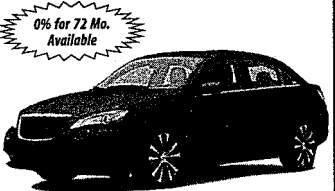
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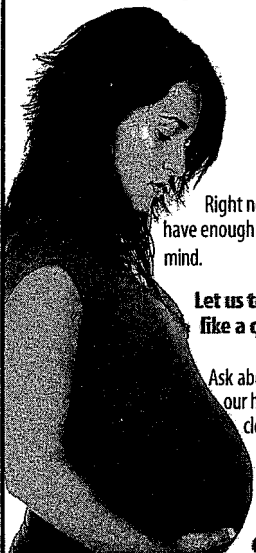
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COLORFUL VISIT: A group of Red Hatters from Lapeer visited downtown Clarkston last week to have lunch and visit shops. The group had lunch at the Union and dined on a variety of food, from soup to the famous Mac 'n' Cheese. The ladies said they read about the restaurant in a magazine, which is why they picked Clarkston to visit this month. The group gets together once a month and have outings, which includes visiting different towns. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

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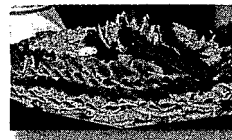
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Scores show improvement

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30 percent of students.

The MME, as well as Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), is due to be replaced by the national Common Core program in 2015. New testing will be more focused on problem solving instead of multiple choice currently used, Rock said.

"Teachers working with students, knowing students individually, knowing the curriculum, and adjusting curriculum and practices according to students' needs will improve students' learning," he said. "We want the absolute best for every single one of our students."

However, Common Core implementation hit a snag last month when the state legislature removed its funding. Michigan Education Association sent a letter to the state urging it be reinstated. The state has until Oct. 1 to do so. Rock supports the Common Core effort.

"It seems logical to have a national curriculum," he said. "This allows for consistency across our country. It seems illogical to use a unique assessment system in the United States and then compare our students' progress to students in other countries."

Clarkston juniors scored a 21.1 composite score in the ACT test, also taken in the spring. The 2012 ACT score was 20.7. The ACT scores measure high school students' general educational development and their capability to complete college-level courses covering four skill areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science.

MME scores determine high school juniors' proficiency in math, science, reading, writing and social studies across the state.

The next meeting of the Clarkston Board of Education is Monday, Aug. 12, 7 p.m., at the district Administration Building, 6389 Clarkston Road. Call 248-623-5400.

Michigan Merit Exam results

		Proficient	Lv1	Lv2	Lv3	Lv4	# assessed
2012							
CHS	Math	38	8	30	43	18	553
CHS	Reading	70	21	49	21	8	560
CHS	Science	39	16	23	29	32	563
CHS	Soc. Stud.	51	15	37	33	16	556
CHS	Writing	62	8	54	34	< 5	570
2013							
CHS	Math	39	7	32	43	18	596
CHS	Reading	70	20	50	22	8	591
CHS	Science	39	13	26	31	30	597
CHS	Soc. Stud.	52	14	38	41	7	595
CHS	Writing	65	6	58	33	< 5	595
OISD	Math	37	10	27	34	29	14,550
OISD	Reading	59	19	40	26	15	14,613
OISD	Science	33	13	20	28	40	14,569
OISD	Soc. Stud.	45	15	30	44	11	14,582
OISD	Writing	57	9	48	36	6	14,635
Statewide Math		29	6	23	38	33	104,691
Statewide Reading		54	14	39	30	17	105,329
Statewide Science		26	9	17	29	46	105,045
Statewide Soc. Stud.		39	10	28	49	12	105,008
Statewide Writing		49	6	44	43	7	105,616

11th grade students, statewide, Oakland Intermediate School District (OISD), and Clarkston High School (CHS), percentages scoring at Level 1, Proficient Advanced; Level 2, Proficient; Level 3, Partially Proficient; and Level 4, Not Proficient.

Donations needed for Rush for Food

Time to go grocery shopping and stock up for a good cause.

The Clarkston High School Football program is collecting food on Friday, Aug. 16 for their 16th Annual Rush for Food.

Freshman, JV and Varsity football players will collect non-perishable food in local neighborhoods for Lighthouse Emergency Services in Independence Township. They will collect from neighborhoods

from 6-7 p.m. and at Lighthouse, 6-7:30 p.m.

Last year, the gridiron gang collected over 6,400 pounds of food.

You are also welcome to drop off your donations directly to Lighthouse Emergency Services during business hours or from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Aug. 16, marked with Rush for Food/Clarkston Football. Lighthouse is located at 6330 Sashabaw Road.

For information, call 248-620-6116.

Briefly

Labor Day parade

Clarkston Rotary Club is seeking participants for the Clarkston Labor Day parade, Sept. 2.

Floats, classic cars, community service organizations, musical groups, businesses, and equestrian riders will march from Renaissance High School on Waldon Road, beginning at 10 a.m. Parade route will be Church Street to Main St., north to Miller Road, and ending at Miller and Holcomb roads. The club has sponsored the parade for the past 71 years.

Find an entry application at clarkstonrotary.org. Contact Rotarian Joel DeLong at joeldelong@aol.com or 248-625-9741 for an application.

DTE in compliance

After receiving noise complaints from residents around DTE Energy Theatre, Independence Township conducted sound meter testing to determine if DTE is in compliance with the Township's noise ordinance.

Employees conducted several tests using a sound meter at different areas during several concerts and have determined DTE is in compliance with the ordinance.

City council deadline

Anyone interested in serving as a council member for the City of the Village of Clarkston must fill out required paperwork at Clarkston City Hall by 4 p.m., Aug. 13.

The election is held Nov. 5 for four positions. Clarkston City Hall is located at 375 Depot Road. For more information call Clarkston City Hall at 248-625-1559.

Township OKs cable agreement

Independence Township approved a Cooperative Video production Intergovernmental Agreement and Lease between Independence Township and Clarkston Community Schools during the Township meeting on July 23.

Kittle told *The Clarkston News* on July 29 the agreement has been signed and is being sent to Clarkston Schools to be signed by Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock. The agreement allows the township's equipment to be moved to the Clarkston High School.

The school will also receive \$200,000 a year in Public Education and Government fees collected by the township.



A fast race car once owned by Paul Newman has over \$1 million invested in it. The car made a special appearance at the Vintage Races last weekend. Photos by Andrea Beaudoin

Racers heat up local track

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you are nervous and when you come off, you're excited."

He said he enjoys making new friends by traveling to different races and it's interesting to see unique cars on which people work so hard.

Waterford Hills, located on the grounds of Oakland County Sportsman's Club in Independence Township, offers visitors a variety of events throughout the year including the Vintage Races.

Racers qualified for the race and attempted to earn the best time before the start of the official race.

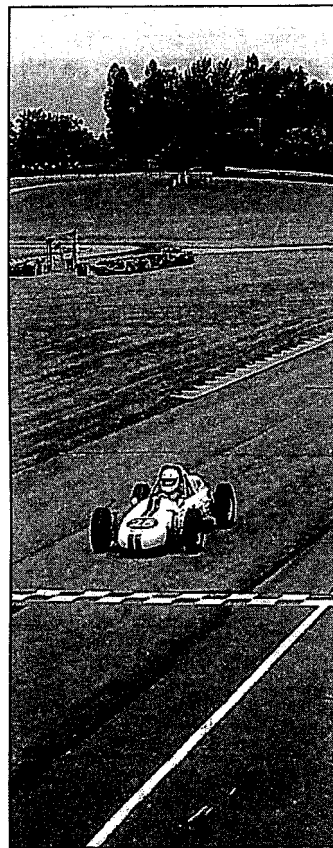
Waterford Hills offers racers a 1.5 mile road racing track with turns, hills and straight-aways. According to the club, the fastest cars hit over 120 on the back straight just before

heavy braking to make a 90 degree right hand turn.

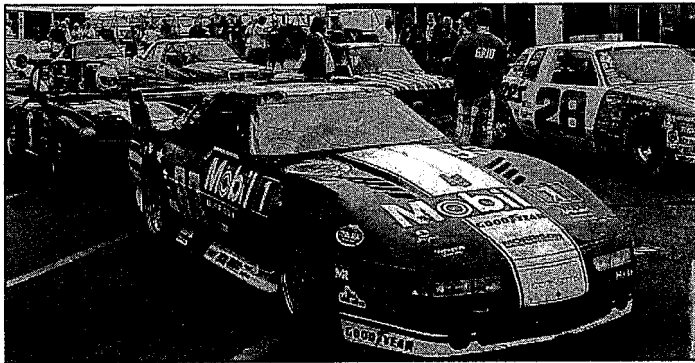
All cars participating in events at Waterford Hills run in accordance with Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) rules and must pass SCCA technical inspection. Each spring, Waterford Hills also offers an SCCA accredited drivers school so that new adventurers can learn the sport.

Waterford Hills also offers Open Track Days, when the track is open to the public. Valid driver's license, seat belts, and helmets are required to race.

Since 1958, Waterford Hills has been an all volunteer governed and operated racing organization. Waterford Hills is located at 4770 Waterford Road. For more information on upcoming events or Open Track Days visit www.waterfordhills.com.



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Andrea's Anecdotes

A column by Andrea Beaudoin

Get help early

As beautiful as humanity can be-it can equally ugly - but these kinds of things must be talked about.

I know this girl who was severely sexually abused for quite some time as a child by her mother's boyfriend. The man was sentenced on the girl's birthday to 40-60 years in prison, but the worst part for the girl was yet to come.



In an article in a large publication, at the man's sentencing the reporter documented the mother telling the judge, "I just want him to get help and come home." That's right, the mother stood by the man's side. Even though the mother was not married to the man when he was convicted, she married him while he was in prison.

Each week for two years after the sentencing, the girl was forced to accompany her mother to Jackson Prison, a very scary place for an 11-12 year-old. Some of the things she saw while visiting the prison she would like to forget. In one of those visits, the perpetrator and the mother got married, the victim sat and watched the ceremony.

The man wrote the girl letters, and had similar types of prison friends write her letters too. He signed the letters, "dad." Behind closed doors the mother blamed the girl for what happened, and would call her every nasty name a girl could be called.

As you can imagine the girl grew to not trust others, and was also emotionally detached.

She never received counseling for several ordeals, which are far too many to be explained here. She ignored her feelings for a long time, and she pretended it didn't bother her much. As she grew older she realized the wounds she always tried to ignore were much deeper than she knew. Still she remembers how he threatened to kill her, or chased her through the woods, or all the other bad things. Memories that would never fade.

The girl has a message to others who have faced similar circumstances. Don't wait until you are older to seek help. If you do it will damage your life in ways you can never imagine. It effects everything - every relationship, connections to people close to you and the connection you have to yourself.

Get help while young or things like these will keep hurting you.

Opinion Pages

Letters, columns & Editorials

Main Street doing fine without Main Street

The call to join Main Street Oakland County in last week's front page "Clarkston champion needed" has its heart in the right place, but isn't needed right now.

The Oakland County program would require \$35,000-\$75,000 in fund-raising to join.

For that money, Clarkston would receive advice, networking, training, planning help, funding, and other incentives.

We think downtown is doing fine as it is. Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce revamped its entire headquarters building on S. Main Street last February with exactly this in mind.

Semitrucks stop regularly at Clarkston Flower Shoppe and Bird Feeder on N. Main Street as it completes its renovation projects.

Main Street's doctors, lawyers, ad designers, bank, newspaper, and other

commercial businesses aren't a "big problem," as Clarkston City Manager Carol Eberhardt called them.

They, along with retailers, make Main Street strong, all working to keep downtown well maintained with a busy calendar of community events all year long.

Main Street Oakland County does fine work with downtowns in need of a boost, with empty, crumbling storefronts and run-down properties.

We're thankful that isn't the case here.

Would Main Street be worth diverting up to \$75,000 in community donations to another layer of bureaucracy, all to accomplish development objectives already undertaken by the chamber, and other community groups and businesses?

We don't think so.

Editorial



CONCENTRATION: Delaney Zielke puts the final touches on an earthquake detector she and her camp mates made at Camp Invention at Renaissance High School, July 24. Students made all sorts of devices out of recycled materials in the Ecoverse module. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1998

"New CHS open for orientation Aug. 19" The process of moving to the new high school was underway, under the supervision of Kathy Pierson. The school staff was operating in the old school in the morning and the new school in the afternoon. Three moving trucks made two round trips a day, taking books and supplies.

"A look at Oakhurst" The new multi-million-dollar residential community off Clintonville Road was open for new residents. Homesites ranged from \$300,000-\$1 million.

"Breaking new ground" About 65 people attended the groundbreaking ceremony for a new elementary school on 24 acres on Hubbard Road at M-15. Clarkston School Board members Kurt Shanks, Maria Bayliss, Karen Foytech, Ron Sullivan, Rick Crigger and Sheila Hughes wielded the shovels.

25 years ago - 1988

"Newcomers Millard, Vaara victorious" Frank Millard and Mel Vaara were elected to Independence Township Board. Millard was also a Clarkston Village Council member, and Vaara was assistant superintendent of Clarkston Schools. They joined Supervisor Frank Ronk, Clerk Richard Holman, Treasurer John Lutz, and trustees Daniel Travis and William Vandemark.

"Indians past, present interest banker" Rick Zurel, a Clarkston-area anthropologist, participated in a mastodon dig in Lapeer County, searched for evidence of early Indian hunting activities, taught at Cranbrook and Oakland University, and worked on archaeological digs around the country, all in addition to his fulltime job at First Federal Savings.

50 years ago - 1963

"Area church breaks ground" Dixie Baptist Church on Dixie Highway broke ground on a new auditorium. The new \$150,000 structure was 75-by-140 and could accommodate 1,000 people.

"Jo Sutton wins crown" Jo Sutton, lovely in her white knee length formal, was chose Miss Ortonville in the contest sponsored by the Ortonville Jayettes. She was set to compete as Miss Ortonville in the Romeo Peach Queen contest that August.

"Local news" Completing a week's vacation in Pennsylvania were the R.C. Rothbaths of Clarkston. They were the guests of cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Paval.

Music against modern slavery

The annual Music Under the Moonlight concert returns, Saturday, Aug. 3, from 4-10 p.m. at the outdoor pavilion behind New Hope Church, 8643 Sashabaw Road, a mile north of DTE.

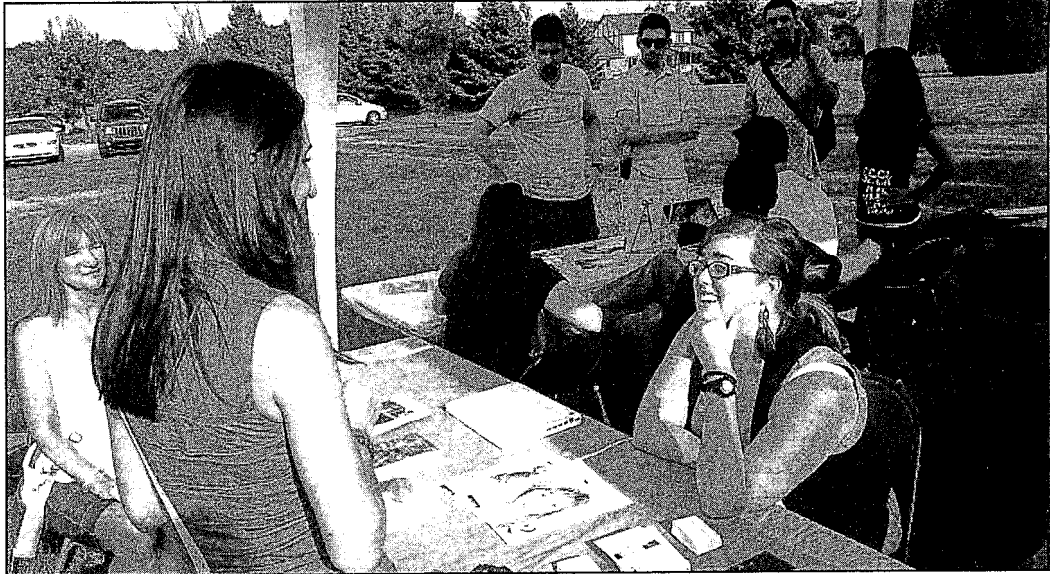
"Music under the Moonlight started five years ago as a concert event to raise awareness and funds to help fight human trafficking," said Malinda Werth, founder. "Throughout the years, numerous local musicians have generously contributed their time and talent to this important cause, by playing music live under the summer, dusk sky."



Malinda Werth

It's also a community gathering where people can join together to be part of the solution of human trafficking, Werth said.

The United Nations and U.S. Department of State estimates 27 million people are held



Jenny Hoggatt provides resources and information about human trafficking. Photos provided

in slavery across the world, 600,000-800,000 moved through the United States, mostly women and children.

Admission is a \$10 donation, for live music, food and drinks, bonfire, and s'mores,

with proceeds supporting international human trafficking efforts with TEAM Austria.

There will be a bounce house for the kids and an resource tent with information

about awareness and solutions for human trafficking.

For more information, check "Fifth Annual Music Under the Moonlight Concert" on Facebook.

Some white trash we need to avoid

Last week I was invited to cover a presentation in regards to weight management. I wasn't sure the invitee, Jessica Green, was trying to tell me something, or she wanted press for the event.

I'm still not sure.

At any rate, I packed up my writing utensils (Yes, plural. A good reporter always has extras), yellow legal pad, put a smile on my face and drove 45 minutes to the evening event at Canterbury Village in Orion Township.

Jessica, who owns Youthful Image out on Clarkston Road, invited a retired U.S. Marine to talk about his new passion -- telling folks about his weigh management program.

The marine turned health guru is John Whittaker. He's a muckity-muck up in the NuSkin company. He was raised in West Virginia and now lives in Florida. I only repeat that information, because of something he said.

"I keep my West Virginia accent to remind you all of white trash," he drawled. "So, you know what it is."

He wasn't talking of himself, or anybody else for that matter, as white trash. The white trash he referred to was the nemesis of weight management: white sugar, white flour and high fructose syrups. I am not sure if high fructose syrups are white, but I'll take his word about it.

By the way, Nu Skin Enterprises, "is an American

direct selling and multilevel marketing company which develops and sells personal care products and dietary supplements." They work in anti-aging products of which Jessica markets.

Whittaker was pretty interesting. After the corp, he opened a fitness shop and found himself reading as many diet books as he could. He wanted to answer potential questions presented by his customers.

Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

"My library was full of diet books. And after reading 30 or 40 of them, I started to notice a pattern in all of them," he said. "They all start the same way, with the great lie. 'This diet is different.'"

All in all, he said, diets are about deprivation and they all work if you follow them to the letter.

"I only have one question. How long can you keep eating a half can of tuna? And, do I really need to read your book to tell me that eating that candy bar isn't as good for me as eating raw carrots?"

Here are some factoids from Whittaker.

Dieting really is a new thing. And, as for most of history being over weight wasn't a problem. As most folks didn't have much to eat, if you were over weight it probably meant you were very successful. Your weight was a sign of your wealth.

The first diet wasn't called a diet, said he. "You weren't dieting, you were banting."

Banting was named after William Banting, an overweight English mortician. According to Wikipedia (so it must be true) Banting wrote of "all of his unsuccessful fasts, diets, spa and exercise regimes in his past, then described the dietary change which finally had worked for him, following the advice of a physician.

"His own diet was four meals per day, consisting of meat, greens, fruits, and dry wine. The emphasis was on avoiding sugar, saccharine matter, starch, beer, milk and butter. Banting's pamphlet was popular for years to come, and would be used as a model for modern diets."

How much weight gain is there out there, today? According to Whittaker, two-thirds of Americans are over weight; one third are obese (30 pounds or more over weight) and a quarter of those folks are pre-diabetic.

While Whittaker is promoting a line of shakes and supplements (I am not -- you can ask Jessica for more information), he still offers some pretty basic information.

"The key to any program is protein. Proteins have essential amino acids. Fat is okay, it has essential fatty acids. Sugar and flour are the culprits to avoid."

Then, of course, there is the need for exercise -- which was the topic of last week's column.



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Treasurers deny assessing recommendation

Independence Township Treasurer Paul Brown and Assessor Kristen Sieloff said the article "Assessing talks" on page 4 in last week's *Clarkston News* was incorrect — neither recommended the City of the Village of Clarkston contract with Oakland County for assessing services.

Information in the article quoted a report from Clarkston City Manager Carol Eberhardt to the City Council, July 22. It regarded assessing services and contracting with Independence Township.

"After our last council meeting, I received an e-mail from Pat Kittle (township supervisor) asking I contact their assessing department to see if they could compete with the cost that Oakland County charges the city," Eberhardt said in the report. "Both Independence Township assessor and treasurer recommended we stay with the county."

Brown said he has not looked into the issue enough yet to make a decision.

Eberhardt said the discussions occurred before she was hired last April, so she doesn't know for sure who the city talked to.

"The discussion was about a year, year and a half ago with the old treasurer, not the current one," she said. "The meeting was with the treasurer and the assessor and Dennis (Ritter, former city manager)."

Curt Carson, who was township treasurer at that time, said he doesn't remember having the discussion and also never recommended the city contract with the county.

-Andrea Beaudoin

Tons of Trucks driving to Clintonwood Park

Trucks signed up for this year's Tons of Trucks include Smith's recycle truck, Clarkston Paper's box truck and van, Clarkston Union's fire truck and/or Mac Mobile, concrete mixer from Van Horn Concrete, Genisys Credit Union's Palace Patrol, pickup and trailer from Above Board Construction, fire engine and/or ambulance from Independence Township Fire Department, and Clarkston school bus.

The 11th annual event, hosted by Independence Township Parks, Recreation and Seniors, will be on Saturday, Aug. 10, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Clintonwood Park, 6000 Clarkston Road.

The event also includes music, visit by Bob the Builder, and hayrides by the Yester-years Tractor Club.

Admission is \$3/children before Aug. 9, \$5/at the event; free for adults. For more information go to www.itpr.org or call 248-625-8223.



Independence Township emergency vehicles make an appearance at a Tons of Trucks event. *File photo*

Domestic violence

A 66-year-old Independence Township woman called police after her daughter, a 45-year-old Independence Township woman, broke a television and other items during an argument, 10:44 p.m., July 3. The daughter was arrested and jailed on a warrant for probation violation for failure to appear in court on a domestic violence charge.

Complainer has warrant

A 27-year-old Hartland Township man was unsatisfied with food purchased from a Sashabaw Road convenience store so, after attending a concert, returned to the store for a refund, 12:18 a.m., July 8. The clerk refused to provide a refund so the customer argued then returned to his car to call corporate headquarters. The clerk called police to report a suspicious person. A deputy ran a record check and found the Hartland man had a warrant for his arrest for failure to appear in court on a shoplifting charge in Livingston County. He was arrested and turned over to Livingston deputies.

Attempted break-in

The front door lock to a car parked in the 5000 block of Marshbank was damaged, July 13. No entry was made.

Plate swiped

Someone took a motorcycle license plate in the 2000 block of Mann Road, July 15.

Public Safety

For Clarkston and Independence Township

Cigarette theft

Someone broke through a front window into a gas station in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway, July 13, and took a laptop and 538 packs of cigarettes, worth about \$4,800.

Illicit steak dinner

An employee in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway called police to report a 35-year-old Independence Township woman putting steak sauce, streak rub, and two boxes of Jell-O in her purse, and swapping the price tag on steak from \$37.55 to \$4.67, 3:52 p.m., July 12. She was cited with retail fraud. Her boyfriend, waiting in the parking lot, was found to have an arrest warrant for failure to appear on a disorderly conduct charge, and was cited.

Suspect in theft

Prescription medicine turned up missing from a home in the 2000 block of Mann Road, July 17. The resident suspects a handyman, who was allowed access to the home and didn't return to finish the work.

Thefts from vehicles

A GPS and duffel bag were taken from a vehicle parked in the driveway in the 5000 block of Glenwood Creek, July 17. There was no sign of forced entry. Sunglasses, radar detector, GPS, tools, and other items were taken from an SUV parked unlocked in the 6000 block of Pine Knob Road, July 17.

Trash can taken

A garbage can was reportedly taken from a home in the 5000 block of Greenview Drive, July 15.

Death investigation

Sheriff detectives are investigating the death of a 36-year-old Springfield Township woman. Officers were dispatched to the 9000 block of Susin for an unresponsive subject, 4:27 p.m., July 28. A resident said he came home and found his girlfriend slumped over on the floor of the bathroom. The woman was pronounced deceased and taken to the Oakland County Medical Examiner's office. There was heroin and drug paraphernalia found at the scene.

Motorcycle crash

A 19-year-old Brandon Township man riding a motorcycle was seriously injured in a crash with a pickup truck on Sashabaw Road at Waldon Road, 10:25 p.m., July 26. The teenager was northbound when a 50-year-old Independence Township man driving a pickup truck turned left in front of him. Deputies directing concert traffic for DTE saw the collision and rendered first aid. They said the motorcycle had the right-of-way. The cyclist, who was wearing a helmet, was taken to McLaren Oakland hospital, where he was listed in stable condition. The pickup driver was not injured. He was taken into police custody for operating while intoxicated, pending blood test. The sheriff's Crash Reconstruction Unit and Alcohol Enforcement Team are assisting in the investigation.

Ax assault

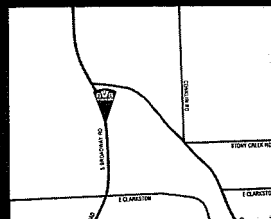
A 38-year-old Flint man was arrested for felonious assault, 8:07 p.m., July 28, in the 9000 block of Davisburg Road. He allegedly went to his brother's Springfield Township house drunk with an ax to demand a ride to Flint. The resident said they were able to get his brother out of the house, at which time he began hitting a vehicle in the driveway with the ax. The brother then fled the scene. A Sheriff's K-9 responded and tracked the suspect to a wooded area. The suspect was taken into custody and jailed pending charges.

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Clarkston's Sporting News

Teacher assists in battle

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Three weeks from now Laura Khoury and her family will sit in the stands at Clarkston High School stadium supporting the gridiron gang in their fifth annual Football for a Cure.

As a Young Fives teacher at Clarkston's Early Childhood Center, she supports the students in the district but also goes for another reason. She has fought her own battle against cancer. She celebrates being cancer free for four years after fighting endometriosis cancer.

"I knew going into it it wasn't a battle for my life," Khoury said. "It was hard. It took away my fertility. When I was diagnosed my husband and I were trying to have a baby. That was the hardest part."

It began as having a few symptoms when she felt weak and her blood count was getting low. Her legs also began cramping and she looked pale.

"Usually you get it later in life. I didn't fit the bill - I was 32-years-old and healthy," she said, adding the doctor did a biopsy.

"I always feel fortunate we caught it when we did," Khoury added. "It got into lymphatic muscles but not my lymph nodes. It didn't go to the stomach."

When the doctors learned the cancer was too aggressive, Khoury had a hysterectomy. Six weeks later she began radiation at therapy at Great Lakes Cancer Institute in Independence Township.

"When I had my treatment done it was

hard because I didn't feel well," she said. "The radiation caused a lot of sickness while having it done."

She smiled as she added, "it led me to where I am now. We adopted our daughter two years ago and we are waiting to adopt a second child anytime now."

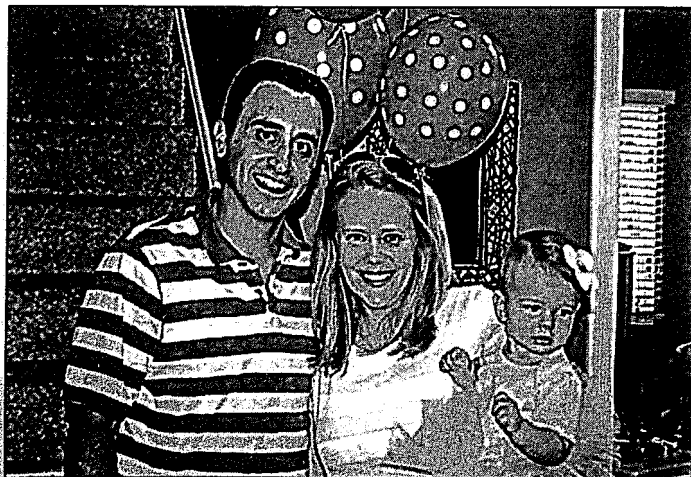
Khoury began going to the football games because of her experience with Great Lakes Cancer Institute. She explained everyone was friendly and kind. She began going to the football games because the center supported the program.

She received support not only from her coworkers at Springfield Plains Elementary, where she taught first grade, but from everyone in Clarkston Community Schools.

"My school community and the parents were very supportive," Khoury smiled. "They brought over dinner and cookies. Everyone has always been so kind."

You can join the Wolves in the fight during their intrasquad scrimmage for Football for a Cure, Aug. 17 at 7 p.m. T-shirts are \$10 and available at Great Lakes Clarkston Institute, 5701 Bow Pointe Drive.

"It is a great opportunity for the students and football program to raise awareness," Khoury said. "Clarkston rallies around the students. We support one another. Everyone knows someone who has been sick with cancer. It is good to raise awareness for the kids and show them, too, there are tons of people who beat cancer and they go on to live healthy lives."



From left, John Khoury, Laura, and their daughter, Sophie. Photo provided

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Champions from left in back row, Tryston Lajiness, AJ Moss, Bryson Bosley, Josh Fasczewski, Carlos Melendez, Kyle Dunlap, Alec "Red" Fair, Matt Netherland, Kurt Romkema; kneeling in front, Jake Reed, Luke Hodgson, Devin Reyes and Trevor Massey. They were coached by Jim Netherland and Carl Bosley. Photo submitted

Ruling the division

Clintonwood Park was filled with cheers of excitement last Thursday during the playoffs.

Boys from the Butler CPA & Associates PLLC and Mills Mechanical teams headed against each other in the Independence Township Parks, Recreation and Seniors Baseball League for the boys 13/14 division championships.

Kyle Dunlap pitched for five innings and Matt Netherland threw for two innings for Butler to shut out Mills. Alex Matisse of Mills pitched well to keep the game close. Butler's AJ Moss hit a drive to centerfield, bringing home Luke Hodgson for the only run of the game, putting the final score 1-0.

Butler CPA & Associates PLLC headed into the championship game ranked in

second and Mills Mechanical was in first place. They played Mills Mechanical twice during the season and lost to them both times.

To reach the championship game, Butler CPA & Associates PLLC beat the Tigers and VFW Post #582.

The team is Bryson Bosley, Kyle Dunlap, Luke Hodgson, Alec "Red" Fair, Josh Fasczewski, Tryston Lajiness, Trevor Massey, Carlos Melendez, AJ Moss, Matt Netherland, Jake Reed, Devon Reyes and Kurt Romkema.

The head coach was Jim Netherland and assistant coach was Carl Bosley.

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Football for a Cure jerseys on sale

Clarkston Wolves Football for a Cure jerseys are available for purchase, \$100; name plate, \$50; \$50 to become an honorary "Coach of the Day"; and T-shirts are \$10.

Proceeds from the gridiron gang's pre-season scrimmage, Saturday, Aug. 17 at 7 p.m., benefit McLaren Breast Cancer Center and McLaren Cancer Institute - Clarkston.

They trade their blue and gold jerseys for pink and light blue for the fifth annual fund raiser.

Forms are available at the institute, 5701 Bow Pointe Drive, and McLaren Oakland in Pontiac in the cafeteria on Wednesdays.

For information or to volunteer, email ClarkstonFootballforaCure@gmail.com. Visit Clarkston Football for a Cure on Facebook or www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/foot-

ball for more information.

Start the event early with Celebrate National Cancer Survivor Day Tailgate Party at McLaren Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive, 4-6 p.m. Enjoy tailgate food, snacks and beverages.

RVSP by Aug. 5 by calling 248-922-6606. Please leave name of patient and number of friends and family attending.

Township wins lawsuit in tractor case

BY ANDREAM.BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A court-appointed panel of three attorneys ruled in favor of Independence Township in a lawsuit filed by local attorney H. Wallace Parker.

Legal cost is around \$14,000, according to township Supervisor Pat Kittle.

The lawsuit stems from a 2011 incident in which a township-owned tractor was thought to be missing.

Parker, who owned a similar looking tractor on his property in Independence Township, claimed the township trespassed, took photographs of his farm equipment, and peeked into his windows.

An investigation by the Oakland County Sheriff found Neil Wallace, a township trustee at the time, called a township Department of Public Works employee on July 4, 2011, to go to Parker's home and see if the tractor was the one missing.

Parker claimed the employee removed the tractor from his property, checked it, and then returned it. He said the tractor was damaged when it was moved.

The township denied moving the tractor from the property.

Parker filed a trespassing claim at the sheriff substation in Independence Township and originally said all he wanted was an apology, but then filed suit against the township and Wallace for defamation on Aug. 2, 2012.

Parker, chief council for the North Oakland Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, told the board, "You were grossly negligent in accusing me, the only minority who owns agriculture property (in Independence Township)."

The lawsuit sought monetary damages for "Defamation and Disparagement of Reputation" as well as a complaint for "Declaration of Innocence."

Attorney Steve Joppich, who represented the township and Wallace, said Parker was unable to specify to the court what the township or Wallace said to defame him.

According to a letter to the township, Dr. James O' Neill donated the tractor to the township more than 30 years ago. When he found out the tractor was broken and unfixable, O'Neill requested the tractor be returned to his family.

Former township Supervisor Dave Wagner returned it in 2010, and O'Neill got rid of it. However, Wagner did not inform the township board, and was absent on sick leave when the issue came up.

Parker did not return calls for comment.

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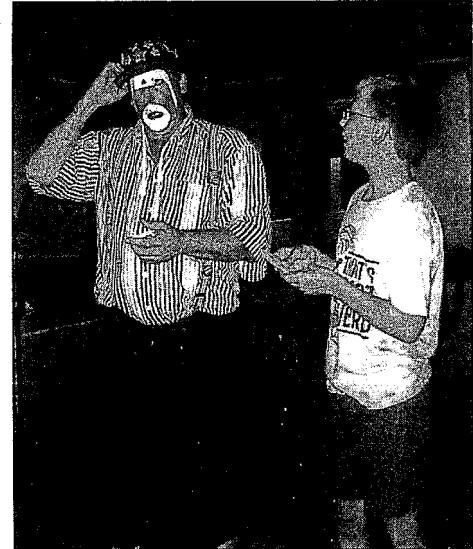
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Bingo the Clown entertains Noah Mathews with a card trick. Photos provided

Rotary picnic for SCAMP

A downpour couldn't dampen the spirit of SCAMP goers and their families as they enjoyed the annual picnic put on by the Clarkston Rotary Club, July 22.

The first event of the new Rotary year, which began July 1, for years has been providing an evening picnic at Independence Oaks Twin Chimneys. Along with hot dogs, potato salad, coleslaw, watermelon, and cookies, students and their families were treated to the antics of Bingo the Clown, a face painter, and music by The Men Of Grace.

"It's a chance for the families to get to know the other SCAMP goers and their families. We really look forward to it," one mother said of the picnic.

It's a favorite of the Clarkston Rotary members, too," said Rotarian Mary Sloan.

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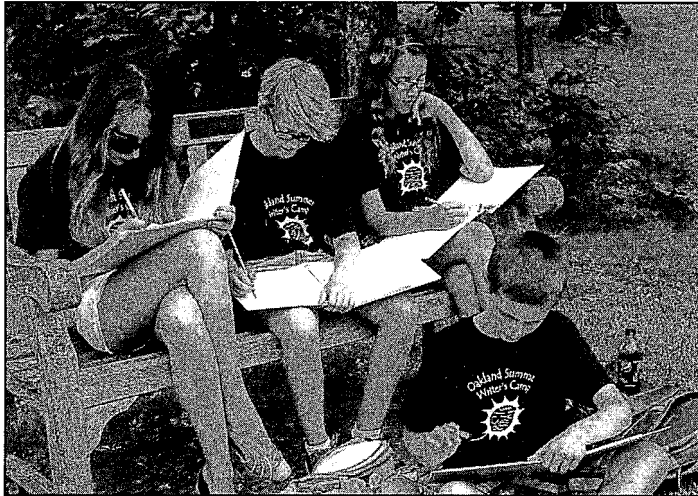
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Mia Patria, Ana Gustafson, Maddy Battishill and Luke Baylis add to their writing with findings in the park.



Dylan Mattice jots down an idea.

Outdoor writing

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

They took out their pencils, pens and notebooks after finding a spot to sit in Depot Park last Friday.

Students in the Oakland Summer Writer's Camp just finished eating pizza and cookies from Rudy's Market after walking through downtown Clarkston. With their notes of different things they saw on their walk and learned while taking a tour at the Union, they thought about what they could write before they headed back to Renaissance High School.

Directors Jim Haugh and Phyliss Ness added so far the highlight of the two week camp was visiting the Union.

They also explained the camp is part of the National Writing Project under the Oakland Writing Project.

"The idea is to help children lead their lives as writers," said Ness. "We talk a lot about leading the writerly life. Our focus for the two weeks we have the children is on personal narrative writing which can take a form of a story, a poem or opinion piece."

She added they encourage the campers to write about what goes on in their life especially people, places, emotions and experience.

"We try to help kids look at things as a writer and be more cognizant of detail and have more of a descriptive kind of writing," she said.

During the day, the instructors also share literature from other authors to help them see the craft through other writing.

The camp includes young writers from all over Oakland County including Clarkston, Waterford, Royal Oak and West Bloomfield.

"Clarkston is very supportive of the camp," Ness said. "Clarkston schools allows us to house the camp. The community rallies around it. We have support with scholarships from Clarkston Foundation and Clarkston Optimists Club."

The camp concludes this Friday with the writers sharing their pieces.



Jacquelyn Williams reflects.



Writers stop their creations for a group photo. Photos by Wendi Reardon

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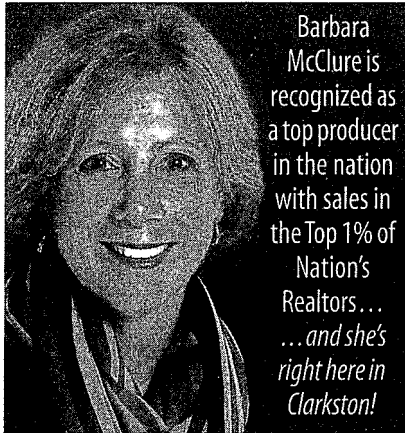
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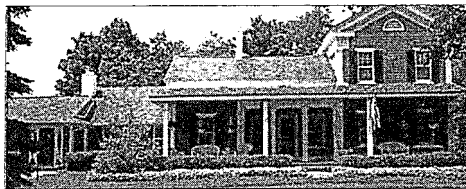
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Young inventors

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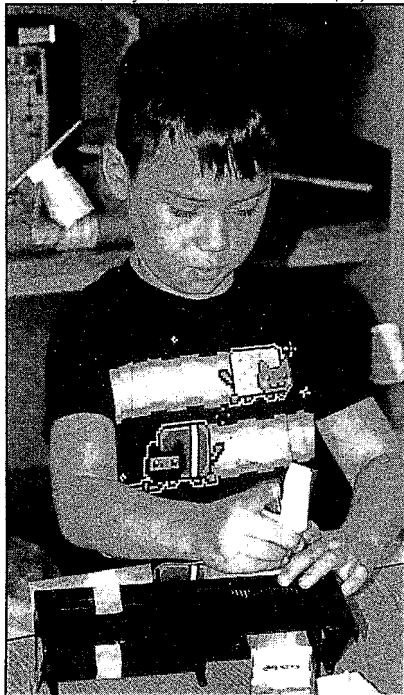
The students learned during Camp Invention about Singapore's population problem and how hard it was to find space for all the residents.

"They are thinking about real world problems," said Beth Rogers, a teacher at Springfield Plains Elementary, explaining the students are also learning about other problems and thinking of ways to solve them. "It is really nice."

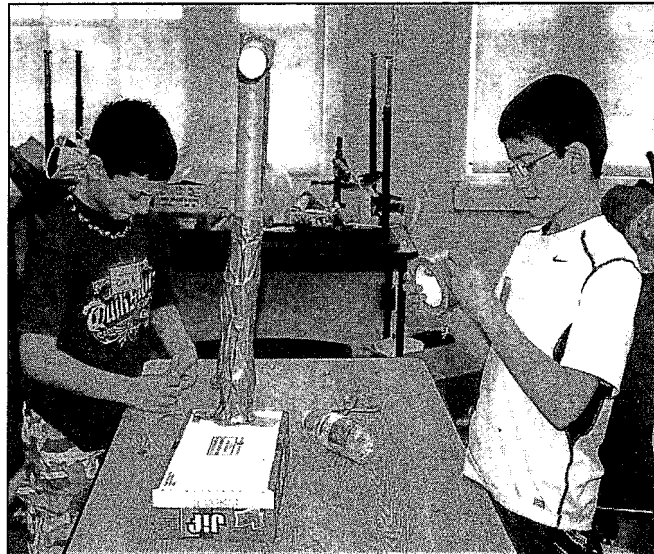
The students go to four different modules each day and throughout the week build onto what they have previously learned. They also learn about teamwork.

"It is a skill they will carry the rest of their lives," teacher Jessica Herzog added.

Camp Invention is offered through Clarkston Community Education. For more information visit www.campinvention.org.
~WAR



Gabe Diver begins to work on his catapult in I Can Invent: Launchitude module.



Owen Meyers and Alex Hayward work on an earthquake detector in Ecoverse, which will use earth's vibrations to detect major shifts in the earth's plates. Photos by Wendi Reardon



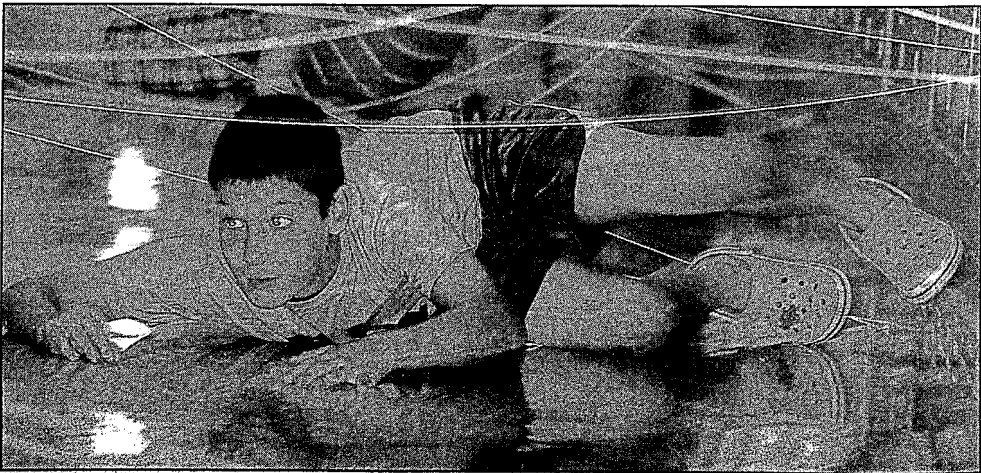
Madison Carpenter jumps through the string.



Natalie Patercsak and Kate Meyer use their creative minds to make a catapult out of a recycled basket and windmill.



Alyssa Exline and Brandon Massey put the finishing touches on their earthquake detector.



Brendan Collica crawls under the string in the maze, pretending it is the Cave of Crystals in Mexico. Because the crystals are so delicate one slight touch or scratch can ruin them.

Death notices & Obituaries

Richard Bastuba, 71

Richard D. Bastuba Sr., 71, of Bad Axe, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, at William Beaumont Hospital in Troy.

He was born Aug. 2, 1941, in Detroit son of the late Phillip and Bedelia (Edwards) Bastuba. He married Florine Petrone on March 3, 1962, in St. Bernard Catholic Church in Detroit.

Richard was retired from 39 years of employment with Detroit Edison.

He enjoyed painting pictures, sports, and spending time with his family, especially with his grandchildren. He was a member of St. Hubert Catholic Church in Rapson, the Bad Axe Knights of Columbus Council No. 1546, and served his country in the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Florine Bastuba of Bad Axe; one daughter, Darleen Michniewicz of Bad Axe; three sons, Phillip (Fran) Bastuba of Clinton Township, William (Traci) Bastuba of Clarkston, and Richard (Jessica) Bastuba II of Grand Blanc; one brother, James (Phyllis) Bastuba of Georgia; three sisters, Phyllis (Larry) Pivowar of Sterling Heights, Geri Horrell of Georgia, and Mary Lynne (Mel) Scarbrough of Georgia; 12 grandchildren, Brandon Bastuba, Lisa Bastuba, Melissa Lamb, Brandon Lamb, Christopher Michniewicz, Phillip Bastuba II, Nicholas Michniewicz, Anthony Bastuba, Lauren Bastuba, Ryan Bastuba, Colin Bastuba and Dominic Todd; three great-grandchildren, Shelby, Thomas and Jeffrey Lamb.

Mass of the Christian burial was July 27 at St. Hubert Catholic Church in Rapson. Officiating was Fr. Rob Howe, pastor. Burial, church cemetery.



JoAnn Kay Betts, 56

JoAnn Kay Betts (Skarritt) of Roscommon, formerly of Clarkston, passed away, July 21, 2013, at age 56.

She was preceded in death by her children Jason and Sarah Jo and parents Betty and John Skarritt. She was the grandmother of four: sister of John (Diane) Skarritt III, Jan (Mike) Groat, and Jeri Vanloon; also survived by many family members and friends.

Graveside Service, Thursday, 1 p.m., at Seymour Lake Cemetery, corner of Seymour Lake and Sashabaw roads in Ortonville. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Maxine DeLong, 92

Maxine (Gillespie) DeLong, age 92, of Pensacola, Fla., a lifelong resident of Clarkston, Mich., died on July 11, 2013.

Preceded in death by her husband, Randall H. DeLong in 1995, Mrs. DeLong was the mother of David DeLong, Rebecca (Richard) Spohn, and Joel (Mindy) DeLong; grandmother of Todd (Alice) Spohn, Julie Spohn (Troy), Meredith (Joe) Vincenza, David DeLong, Sarah (Kevin) Haynes, and Rebecca (Kevin) Zoromski and great-grandmother of eight.

In lieu of flowers, donations made be made to "Shoes for Kids," Clarkston Rotary Club, P. O. Box 43, Clarkston, MI 48347. A family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

Golf outings for football, backpacks

Deadline to sign up for the 13th Annual Clarkston's Friends & Family Football Alumni Golf Outing is Aug. 8.

The golf event is Aug. 16. Registration begins at noon at Pine Knob Golf Course in Clarkston. Shotgun start is 1 p.m., \$100 per golfer, includes dinner, door prizes, golf contests, and awards. Bring a dinner guest for an additional \$40. All proceeds support Clarkston Football.

For more information, call Rogers Chiropactic 248-623-6200. Forms are available at www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/football.

Golfing Fore Backpacks fund-raiser for Blessings in a Backpack is Sept. 29, 9 a.m.

shotgun start at Pine Knob Golf Club, 5580 Waldon Road.

Foursomes are \$375, \$100 for individual for 18 holes with cart and goodie bag, use of range and practice green before play, buffet lunch, awards

Each Friday, volunteers distribute backpacks filled with six meals to students participating in government subsidized free or reduced fee hot lunch program. The program is in all district elementary schools and Sashabaw Middle School. In the fall, it will also include Renaissance High School and the Early Childhood Center.

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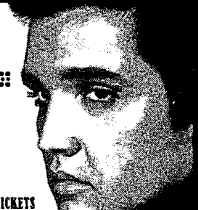
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Lemonade stand

Friends of Tabby Dairymple set up a lemonade and cookie stand at the Concours event, July 26 in Depot Park. The project was to help raise money for Tabby, who is sick with Cushing's disease. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Volunteers for school video board

Clarkston school district is looking for two citizen volunteers for the new Video Center Administrative Board.

The board will review and provide recommendations regarding the Cooperative Public Access Television Center in Clarkston High School. It will meet at least quarterly to discuss programming, budget, staffing, and development. Terms will be three years each.

Clarkston Community Schools and Independence Township created a Cooperative Public Access Television Center, July 9. The board will also include a members of the school board and township board, and three township residents.

Contact Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock 248-623-5408 or rdrock@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Culvert construction on Clarkston Road

Clarkston Road west of Sashabaw Road in Independence Township is set to be closed Saturday, Aug. 3, for culvert replacement, according to the Road Commission for Oakland County.

The project will be between Sashabaw Road and Flemings Lake Road next Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., weather permitting.

Detour route will be Sashabaw Road to Waldon Road to Walters Road to Flemings Lake Road and back to Clarkston Road, and vice versa.

If it is raining on Aug. 3, the project will be postponed.

State representative at Conservative Club

Independence Township Conservative Club meets on Thursday, Aug. 8, at the Big Boy Restaurant, 6440 Dixie Highway.

Speakers are state Rep. Gail Haines, "Updates on the Michigan House Activities" and Mark Snow, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, "Michigan's Regulatory Response to High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing."

RUSH on CSPN.TV

CSPN.TV, Clarkston Sports Plus Network, features the Team Rush Regatta on Deer Lake, from July 27.

Go to www.cspn.tv, click on the "Competitions" picture and then click on the second button. While you are there check out some of the other videos in "Competitions" and also in the other sports offered.

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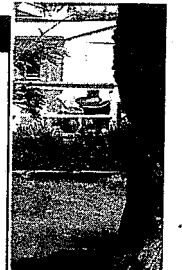
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From left, Archery Club members Bill Ballard, Ron Hall, and Don Brown are ready for the Jamboree.
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Arrows point to fun at Archery Jamboree

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Oakland County Sportsmen's Archery Club invites archers of all ages and skill levels to its 40th annual Bowhunter Jamboree, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Aug. 10, and 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Aug. 11, at the club, 4770 Waterford Road.

The event will include dozens of 3D targets, moving and spinning novelty targets, long-distance shots, and other challenges on 35 acres of woods for traditional and compound bows, as well as crossbows.

"For those who shoot archery in winter indoors at paper targets, this will be a whole new world," said club Board of Directors member Don Brown.

"The atmosphere out in the outdoors is like

being up north, a way to get away from everything even in a busy suburban area," said Ron Hall, board member.

The course offers good practice for those getting ready for deer hunting season in the fall, with targets set up at various, unmarked distances, some downhill from a platform.

"It's a good test of skill," Hall said.

Targets will also be set up for new shooters, and club members will help new archers get started.

"It's friendly to everyone," Hall said. "If you're just beginning, this is a good place to learn. It's a lot better to learn skills here than in the woods."

"Kids are coming back strong to archery, especially young girls, fans of 'The Hunger

Games,'" Brown said. "We'll teach them something from the movie."

Actress Jennifer Lawrence displays good technique in the films, the second of which opens in November, he said.

"She learned to shoot from an Olympic archer," he said.

The club will also have information on its leagues, tournaments, and events, including indoor and outdoor competition and co-op instruction with Independence Township Parks and Rec.

The club also works with Offering Alternative Therapy with Smiles on M-15 in August.

"We help the kids learn archery, its a fun event," Brown said. "Their faces light up."

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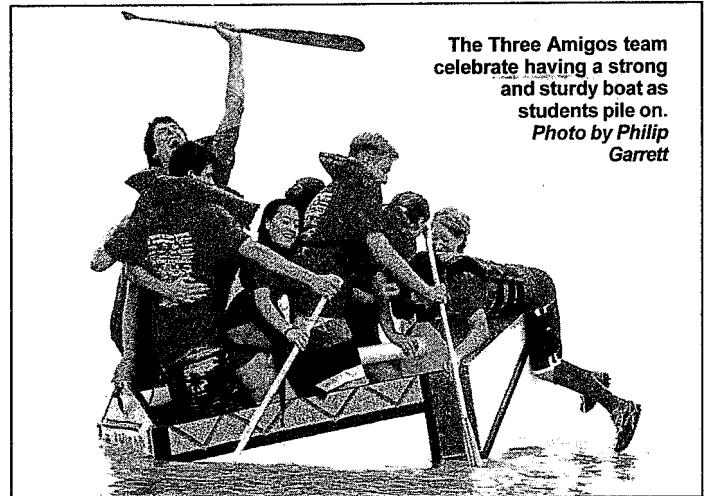
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The Three Amigos team celebrate having a strong and sturdy boat as students pile on.
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Conquering stormy seas

The gray clouds hovered over Deer Lake Beach and members of Team RUSH glanced up once in a while paying attention to lightning.

Luckily the rain and lightning held off until their sixth annual Rush Regatta was over and winners received their trophies.

Team 3, the Three Amigos, won the prestigious Rush Cup while Team 5 won the

Wicked Fast Watercraft with the fastest cardboard boat.

Team 2, the Shogs, were the Cash Crusaders, raising the most money, and won for best theme. They compromised and combined sharks and frogs to make "shogs."

Team 8, the Aquanauts, walked away as Enterprising and Seaworthy Sailors.

Great race to all eight teams! ~WAR

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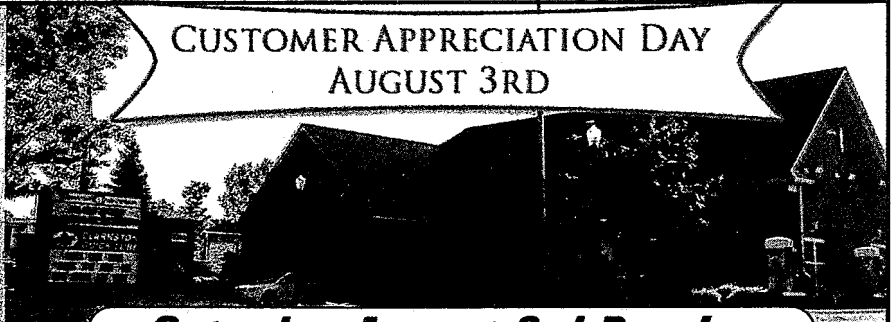
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The Shogs (sharks and frogs) pull ahead of the Three Amigos. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Team 5 uses a raft and boat idea for quick speed - they finished in first.



Kristen Zalobsky goes all out for her team's theme.



Three Amigos passes team #4

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Learning to play in the park

Bear Denham, pictured left, leaned in closer to hear Rob Maes play the guitar last Friday afternoon in Depot Park. Maes stopped after he saw his young fan. He held out the guitar pick, "would you like to play?" Denham smiled and grabbed the pick. He ran it along the strings and listened to the music he was making. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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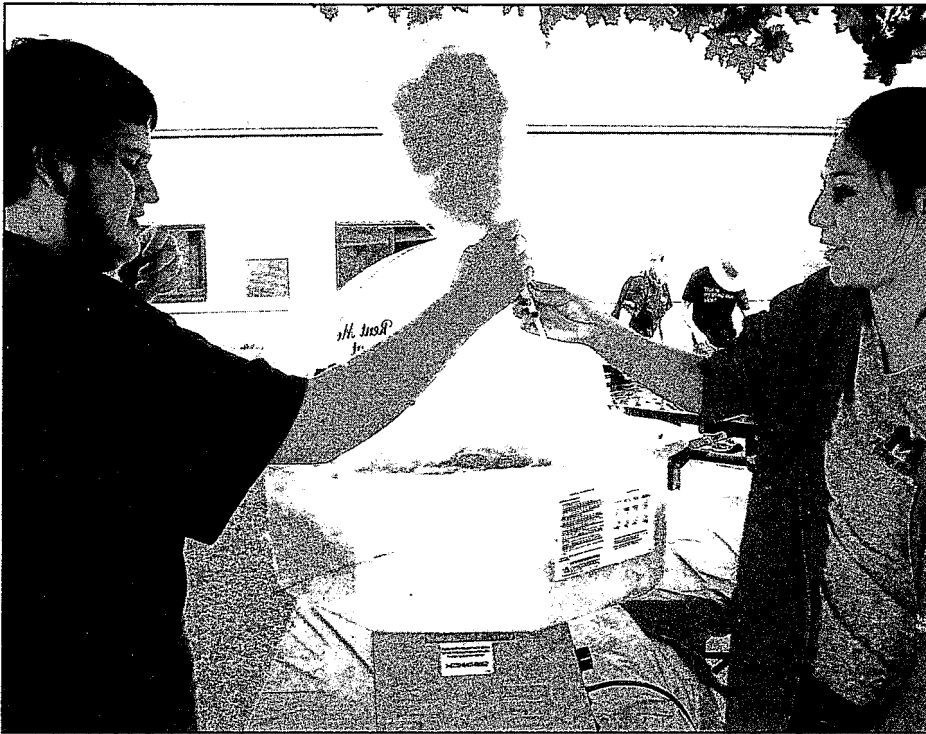
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Jacqlyn Delrosario, right, serves Joshua Alfonso some sweet cotton candy.



Amber Match, a SCAMPer who took some time to enjoy some cotton candy, said she loves the food and games. Photos by Andrea Beaudoin

Fluffy sweets at carnival

Cotton Candy, snow cones and inflatable fun filled the schedule of SCAMP campers on July 24 during Carnival Fun Day. Several businesses donated employees and equipment to help run the games and inflatables. Executive Director of the Michigan Elks Special Project Division, Brenda Cook, dropped off a \$14,000 check during carnival Day to pay for 33 SCAMP scholarships.

SCAMP is a five-week summer day program for kids and young adults afflicted with special needs and disabilities and physical and emotional impairment. Daily activities are planned for SCAMPers including special events, field trips, games, music, art and more.

SCAMP wraps up on July 31.

Mesquite Creek

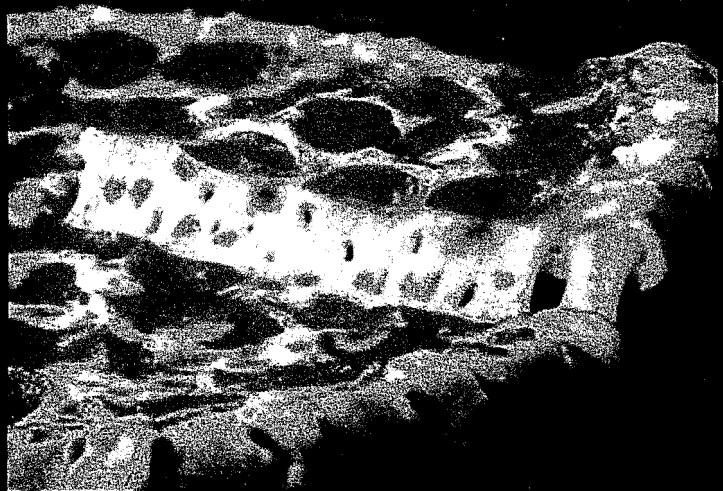
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Events

Fund-raiser dinner with Clarkston Union Chef Aaron Cozaad for Clarkston Community Garden, 6-9 p.m., Aug. 1, Twin Chimneys shelter on Crooked Lake, Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road. \$50/general.

Annual golf outing, Clarkston Foundation, 10 a.m. shotgun start, Aug. 5, Oakhurst Country Club. Foursome, \$900; individual, \$250. All donations go directly to scholarships and grants. 248-672-0777.

Tons of Trucks, Independence Township Parks and Rec., 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Aug. 10, Clintonwood Park, 6000 Clarkston Road. \$3/youth before Aug. 9, \$5/on site. Free for adults. 248-625-8223.

Unveiling, Clarkston WaySide exhibit, 7 p.m., Aug. 14, 90 N. Main Street, where Henry Ford operated a vehicle upholstery business, with MotorCities National Heritage Trail and Clarkston Community Historical Society. 248-922-0270.

Ghost Walk, Clarkston Community Historical Society, 9-11 p.m., Aug. 17, downtown Clarkston. Costumed narrators share stories of the paranormal in some of Clarkston's oldest homes and buildings. \$12.50/adults. No children under 12. 248-922-0270.

Golf outing for Clarkston High School Wrestling Team, 9 a.m. shotgun start, Sept. 15, Fountains Golf Course. \$100. 248-736-5078.

Back Roads Half Marathon, 10K, 9:30 a.m., Nov. 10, Depot Park start. Finish on Washington near Main, beer tent at 5 S. Main Street. \$45 before Sept. 1, www.clarkstonbackroadshalf.com.

Sunday

Springfield Farmers' Market, Sundays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Shiawassee Basin Preserve, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6558.

Five by Five, Yoga in Depot Park, 5 p.m., Sundays, with Clarkston Hot Yoga. \$5, benefits local community, all ages, no experience needed. Bring mat. 248-620-7101.

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Outdoor Pickleball, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., Clintonwood Park Tennis Courts, 6000 Clarkston Road, \$2 drop in.

Exercise program for all ages, joint mobility, coordination, strength, Mondays, 12 p.m., lower level, 7590 Dixie Highway. \$7/session, \$25/four sessions. 248-277-7445.

Line Dancing, Mondays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road: Country, salsa, cha-cha, rock and roll with Rosemary Hall. All welcome. \$3/drop in.

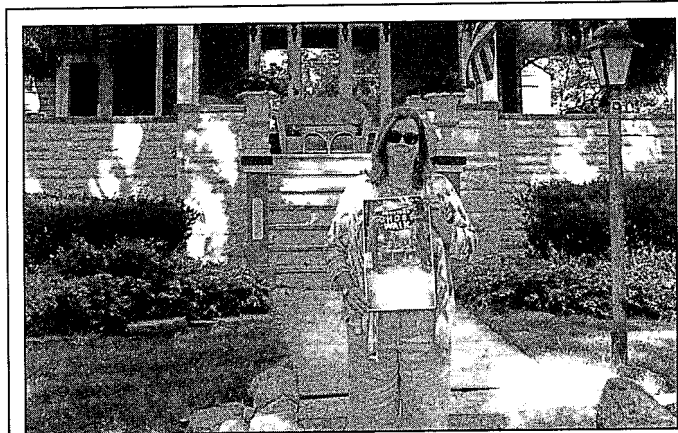
Clarkston Area Mothers & More, 6:30-8:30 p.m., third Monday. Red Knapps restaurant. Call Shelly, 248-778-8115, or Allison, 248-462-

Around Town



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



GHOST WALK: Toni Smith of Clarkston Community Historical Society invites residents to the Ghost Walk, 9-11 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 17, in downtown Clarkston. Narrators in costume will share paranormal stories found within some of the older buildings and houses in town. Tickets are \$12.50. No children under 12. Call 248-922-0270 for more information. *File photo*

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Therapeutic Yoga classes, Mondays, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m., Jewels Yoga Fitness, 4612 Mountain View Trail, Independence Township. \$12 walk-in fee. 248-390-9270.

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Buck Shots Bar and Grill, 7048 Gateway Park Drive. 248-880-0027.

Pilates and Sculpt, Mondays, 7-8 p.m., Bay Court Park's Lakeview room. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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

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

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

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

Look Good Feel Better, American Cancer Society, free makeover for all women in cancer treatment, third Mondays, July 15,

Sept. 16, Nov. 18, 1-3 p.m., McLaren Clarkston, 5680 Bow Pointe. 800-395-LOOK.

Summer Food Service for children, OLHSA, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Thursday, Aug. 5-16, Academy of Waterford, 3000 Sashabaw Road. Free for children 18 and under. 248-209-2600.

Tuesday

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

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

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

Belly Dancing, Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m., Bay Court Park. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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

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

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

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

Belly Dance Lessons, Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Sashabaw Road. Low impact traditional-style workout with Naima Marina. No experience necessary. All welcome. \$10. 586-292-7750.

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Footsteps to Fitness Walking Program, Wednesdays, 6 p.m.; Thursdays, 8 a.m., Senior Activity Center. Walk paved paths with group. Pedometers available. \$1 drop in, includes bottled water and snacks.

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

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

Thursday

Independence Township Conservative Club, 6:30 p.m., Aug. 8, Big Boy Restaurant, 6440 Dixie Highway. Speakers: State Rep. Gail Haines, "Updates on Michigan House activities; Mark Snow, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, "Michigan's Regulatory Response to High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing."

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

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

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

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

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

Free General Support Group for any type of cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., Please see *Around Town* on page 37

Religion

Events Preaching

Summer countdown has begun

I recently saw one of those PureMichigan ads reminding everyone that there are 93 days of summer to enjoy. The purpose of the ad was to point out the many ways for us to spend those days right here in Michigan. Now, I happen to believe that we live in one of the most beautiful states in our great union, but that's probably because I've lived here all of my life and I've been blessed to see much of Michigan's natural beauty. Sure, we complain about the way our weather can change so quickly, and how often it affects our plans. But, overall, this is a pretty incredible place to see the beauty and wonder of God's hand in creation.

But I wonder, do we really see it? Do we take the time to really notice it? I don't know about you, but it seems like we all tend to fill those 93 days of summer with about 150 days worth of activities. We approach our Michigan summer much the same as we approach our tasks at work, in school, or even in our personal lives: get as much done as quickly as possible so we can go on to the next thing we're wanting to do. That way we can chalk up as many things on our "Done" list as possible, and somehow that makes us the winner. In all fairness, I realize that the relative shortness of our summer means there are always things we're trying to do that require warmer temperatures and longer days. But I'm afraid that we might be missing one of the best aspects of what summer is all about.

When I think of summer days as a kid, I remember riding my bike wherever I wanted to go. I grew up in the Thumb of Michigan about 3 miles outside of a small town. The houses in our area were still pretty far apart, and that meant a lot of woods and fields to explore. There were creeks and a river to fish in. There were all kinds of wild berries to pick as they came into season. Whenever we could get enough kids together, we'd play baseball. It seemed like the hotter and longer the days were, the more time slowed down out there in that rural setting. In fact, I can even remember days when we were bored with nothing to do.

Now, I don't know about you, but I really don't recall being bored with nothing to do on a summer day for the past several years! With all the projects and activities that fill our schedules, there's hardly an opportunity to be bored during the summer.

But is that really what God wants for us? Is He really impressed by how much we're getting done with our 93 days of summer?

When we look at His Word, I believe we find that He has a much different desire for what we do with our time. You see, scriptures tell us that He desires to spend time with us in close relationship, hearing from us, talking to us, and enjoying our company. It's all an essential part of our recognition and understanding of who He really is.

In the 46th Psalm, the psalmist writes: He says, "Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." He's writing this in the context of war, and the constant pressure of the relentless attacks on his kingdom at that time. For you and I, who are not engaged in a battle of armies, I believe there is a different application for our lives.

We actually are engaged in a battle of sorts. It's a battle for our time, our spare moments, our ability to rest and think and build relationships. From our relationships with family members and friends, to our relationship with God Himself - even our own self-awareness and understanding of our life's purpose - they often suffer because of the busyness of today's crazy, chaotic world.

When was the last time you went for a walk? Not for exercise, but rather, to experience the beauty of creation around you? When was the last time you really stopped to listen to the sound of a bird singing early in the morning or at dusk as the day is ending? How long has it been since you sat in a place where the only sound was the gurgling of a stream or the lapping of waves on a shore? Have you ever found a place where you can lay on your back on the grass, feel the warmth of the earth and the moistness of the living green grass, and just watch the clouds pass by overhead in the amazing blue sky, with no buildings or people or advertisements fighting for your attention? Have you taken the time to sit at night and marvel at the array of stars twinkling in a black sky from their places in the universe - the exact places God placed them so long ago?

I know, it's hard to find the time to do things like that. There's just so much to get done. Now, I know that we all have a lot to do, and if we don't do it, no one else is going to do it for us. But, as I write this, there are still 53 days of summer left! Put down whatever you're working on, clear off your "to do list" and go find a place where you can "be still and know that He is God."

Jon Grimshaw is pastor at Lakeview Community Church.

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Peter Egigian, Gina and Jim Seery and Dianne Egigian enjoy the car show at Concours in the Park.

Concours in Depot Park

A SCAMP fundraising car show event called Concours in the Park was held in Depot Park in downtown Clarkston, July 26.

Visitors turned out to see car enthusiasts showcase their special rides the day before a big vintage race at Waterford Hills.

An ice cream social and silent auction was also held to help support SCAMP.

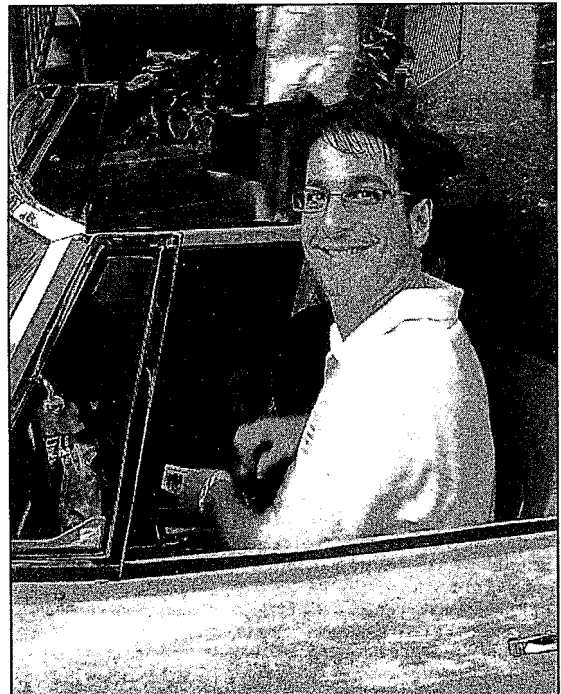
According to the Waterford Hills website, "Depot Park provides a unique setting for some of the finest sports, race and classic vehicles anywhere."

Participants wanting to showcase their car during the event submitted an application along with a donation of \$25 or more to help support SCAMP. As a thank you for participating, entrants received a special dash plaque.

SCAMP is a 5-week camp held in the summer for kids and young adults with developmental disabilities.



Van Blanco, Tim Smith and John Yarema check out one of the vintage cars at the event.



Shant Saroukhanian shows off his vintage Dotson.



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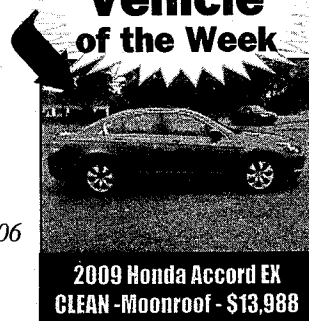
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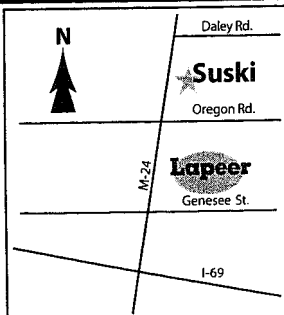
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SYNOPSIS
TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
JULY 23, 2013

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:10 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: Senator Jim Marleau, 12th District; Gary Dove, Johnson Rosati Schultz & Joppich PC
D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
E. CLOSED SESSION: None Scheduled
F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Trustee Schroeder indicated that Neiman's Family Market held its grand opening ceremony.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT: Norbert Froeschke, Deer Lake; Ken Gil, Deer Lake

H. PUBLIC HEARING: None scheduled
I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

- 1. Special Presentation by Senator Jim Marleau, 12th District recognizing Clerk Barbara A. Pallotta, as the recipient of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerk's 2013 Township Clerk of the Year award.
- 2. Report: Update on Cooperative Video Production Intergovernmental Agreement and Lease Agreement between Clarkston Schools and the Charter Township of Independence

J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

K. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval of DTE Second and Third Stage License Agreement
- 2. Approval of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes: June 18, 2013 as amended and July 9, 2013
- 3. Approval of Payroll of July 19, 2013 and Accounts Payable Check Run of July 17, 2013 for a Total Amount of \$618,305.22

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None

REGULAR BUSINESS:

- 1. Approval of 2nd Reading to Amend and Adopt the Amendment to Chapter 30, "Offenses Against Public Safety," Section 30-159, "Fireworks"
- N. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Schroeder asked that the public be aware of deer when driving. Treasurer Brown reported that he will be accepting applications to fill a resident member vacancy on the Walters Lake Improvement Board. Clerk Pallotta informed the Township Board that the auditors will present the 2012 Audit at the Township Board's August 13th regular board meeting. Supervisor Kittle indicated that the concept of entering into a 425 Agreement with Springfield Township is still being reviewed; a gas station - Tim Horton's combination is being proposed for the closed gas station at M-15/Dixie Hwy; a Comfort Inn is being proposed for I-75/Sashabaw; the Pines of Clarkston on Dixie Hwy has broken ground for a second building. Magnetti-Marelli facility on Bow Pointe is moving forward and are predicting there will be 83 jobs by the end of the year; the Building and Sheriff's Departments are monitoring sound levels and regularly taking measurements for DTE.

O. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

- 1. Report: Minutes: Senior Adult Activity Center Advisory Committee of June 12, 2013
- 2. Report: Minutes: Election Commission of April 29, 2013
- 3. Report: Fire Department Monthly Report for June 2013

P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, July 31, 2013

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That at its Regular Meeting on July 23, 2013, The Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Certain Provisions of the Independence Charter Township Code, as follows:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 2013-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE INDEPENDENCE CHARTER TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 30, "OFFENSES," ARTICLE VI, "OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC SAFETY," SECTION 30-159, "FIREWORKS," IN ORDER TO INCORPORATE REGULATIONS OF THE TIMES DURING WHICH CONSUMER FIREWORKS MAY BE DISCHARGED ON THE DAYS OF, BEFORE, AND AFTER SPECIFIED NATIONAL HOLIDAYS.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS:

Section 1 of Ordinance, Ordinance Amendment
Chapter 30, "Offenses," Article VI, "Offenses Against Public Safety," Section 30-159, "Fireworks," of the Independence Charter Township Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 30-159. Fireworks.

a) Definitions.

As used in this Section, the following words and phrases have the meanings set forth herein:

Act means the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, Public Act No. 256 of 2011, MCL 28.451 et seq., as amended.

APA standard 87-1 means 2001 APA standard 87-1, standard for construction and approval for transportation of fireworks, novelties, and theatrical pyrotechnics, published by the American pyrotechnics association of Bethesda, Maryland.

Articles pyrotechnic means pyrotechnic devices for professional use that are similar to consumer fireworks in chemical composition and construction but not intended for consumer use, that meet the weight limits for consumer fireworks but are not labeled as such, and that are classified as UN0431 or UN0432 under 49 CFR 172.101.

Consumer fireworks means fireworks devices that are designed to produce visible effects by combustion, that are required to comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States consumer product safety commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507, and that are listed in APA standard 87-1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, or 3.5.

Consumer fireworks does not include low-impact fireworks.

Display fireworks means large fireworks devices that are explosive materials intended for use in fireworks displays and designed to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation, as provided in 27 CFR 555.11, 49 CFR 172, and APA standard 87-1, 4.1.

Firework or fireworks means any composition or device, except for a starting pistol, a flare gun, or a flare, designed for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation. *Fireworks* consist of consumer fireworks low-impact fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, display fireworks, and special effects.

Low-impact fireworks means ground and handheld sparking devices as that phrase is defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.1, 3.1.1.1 to 3.1.1.8, and 3.5.

National holiday means New Year's Day (January 1); Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr (third Monday in January); Washington's Birthday (third Monday in February); Memorial Day (last Monday in May); Independence Day (July 4); Labor Day (first Monday in September); Columbus Day (second Monday in October); Veterans Day (November 11); Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November); and Christmas Day (December 25).

Novelties means that term as defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.2, 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, and 3.2.5 and all of the following:

- (i) Toy plastic or paper caps for toy pistols in sheets, strips, rolls, or individual caps containing not more than .25 of a grain of explosive content per cap, in packages labeled to indicate the maximum explosive content per cap.
- (ii) Toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, toy trick noise-makers, and toy guns in which toy caps as described in subparagraph (i) are used, that are constructed so that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, and that are not designed to break apart or be separated so as to form a missile by the explosion.
- (iii) Flitter sparklers in paper tubes not exceeding 1/8 inch in diameter.
- (iv) Toy snakes not containing mercury, if packed in cardboard boxes with not more than 12 pieces per box for retail sale and if the manufacturer's name and the quantity contained in each box are printed on the box, and toy smoke devices.

Special Effects means a combination of chemical elements or chemical compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and de-

signed and intended to produce an audible, visual, mechanical, or thermal effect as an integral part of a motion picture, radio, television, theatrical, or opera production or live entertainment.

b) General prohibitions; exception.
No person shall ignite, discharge, or use fireworks within the Township at any time, except that:

- 1) Fireworks may be discharged in strict compliance with any permit issued by the Township in accordance with the Act;
- 2) Consumer fireworks may be discharged between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 12:00 midnight only on the day before, the day of, and the day after a National holiday, except on new year's day when consumer fireworks may also be discharged between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 1:00 A.M.; and
- 3) This subsection b) shall not apply to low impact fireworks.

c) Additional prohibitions.

- 1) Consumer fireworks shall not be ignited, discharged, or used on public property (including without limitation public parks, streets, and rights-of-way), school property, church property, or the private property of another, without the express written permission from the person or entity legally in possession and control of that property to undertake such action.
- 2) Consumer fireworks shall not be ignited, discharged, or used by a person under the influence of alcoholic liquor or a controlled substance or a combination of both.
- 3) Low impact fireworks shall not be ignited, discharged, or used by a person under the influence of alcoholic liquor or a controlled substance or a combination of both.

d) Novelties not regulated.
This Section does not apply to novelties.

e) Civil infraction; penalties; seizure of fireworks and payment of costs.

A violation of this article shall constitute a municipal civil infraction, subject to the relief provided under Section 1-9, and in addition to the fines set forth under said Section 1-9, if an enforcing official determines that a violation of this Section has occurred, the official may seize the fireworks as evidence of such violation and payment of all costs incurred by the Township or law enforcement personnel under the Act or this Section in securing, seizing, storing, and disposing of fireworks that are in violation of the Act or this Section shall be the responsibility of all persons found guilty, responsible, or liable for the violation. In recognition that the actual costs incurred by the Township and/or law enforcement personnel will include having the personnel, equipment, and facilities necessary to store fireworks in compliance with the Act and other laws and regulations, costs to be paid shall be determined in accordance with rates and methods established by resolution of the Township Board of Trustees.

Section 2 of Ordinance, Repealer.

All ordinances, parts of ordinances, or sections of the Charter Township of Independence Code of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 3 of Ordinance, Severability.

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

Section 4 of Ordinance, Savings.

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

Section 5 of Ordinance, Effective Date.

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 6 of Ordinance, Enactment.

This Ordinance is declared to have been enacted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting called and held on the 23rd day of July, 2013, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Ayes: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier, Ritchie, Schroeder
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.

COUNTY OF OAKLAND)
)

I, the undersigned, the qualified and acting Township Clerk of the Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, do certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting held on the 23rd day of July, 2013, the

original of which is on file in my office.
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Introduced: July 9, 2013
Adopted: July 23, 2013
Published: July 17, 2013
July 31, 2013
Effective: July 31, 2013

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
CLARKSTON

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON MI 48346
NOMINATING PETITIONS
NOVEMBER CITY ELECTION
OFFICES OF CITY COUNCIL

Registered voters in the City of the Village of Clarkston will be electing three (3) City Council Members for a two year term and one (1) City Council Member for a one year partial term at an election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013.

Nominating Petitions for the above-named positions are available from the City Clerk, 375 Depot Road, and are due to be completed and returned to the Clerk on or before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2013. Petitions shall be signed by not less than twenty nor more than forty registered electors in the City of the Village of Clarkston.

PETITIONS RECEIVED AFTER 4:00 P.M. AUGUST 13, 2013 CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.

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

Note: Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent, available from the City Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 25, 2013.

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

Kelly Richter
City Clerk

Published: July 31, 2013

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
ARTEMUS M. PAPPAS VILLAGE HALL
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON MI 48346
SUMMARY MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 22, 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, Bisio, Hargis and Roth
Absent - Haven

Moved by Hargis, supported by Bisio to approve the agenda with the following changes. Add Team Rush to New Business c. and omit the Sheriff Report until the next meeting.

Motion Carried. Absent: Haven
Moved by Hunter, supported by Roth to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried. Absent: Haven
Moved by Bisio, supported by Roth to postpone further consideration until the Ordinance Committee makes a new recommendation on Chapters 71 and 72.

Motion Carried. Absent: Haven
Resolved by Bisio, supported by Roth to adopt the FOIA Fee policy as presented with a duplication fee of \$.10 cents per page.

Resolution Approved.
Moved by Roth, supported by Hargis to approve Think Camp to use Depot Park on August 21, 2013 pending the submission of the proper paperwork for the insurance.

Motion Carried. Absent: Haven
Moved by Roth, supported by Hargis for the Village of Clarkston to participate in the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce Community Map Project.

Motion Carried. Absent: Haven
Moved by Sabol, supported by Bisio to approve Team Rush the sale of cookies, lemonade and fliers for the Regatta.

Motion Carried. Absent: Haven
Moved by Roth, supported by Sabol to adjourn meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Kelly Richter, City Clerk

Around Town

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3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.

50+ Individualized Computer Tutoring, Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. \$30/member, \$35.00/non-members. 248-625-8231.

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

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

Saturday

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

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

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

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

Class reunions

The 30-year reunion of Clarkston High School Class of 1983, Aug. 3 at Deer Lake Racquet Club, kelley_cb@yahoo.com, myreunionmanager.com.

Clarkston High School Class of 1963's 50 year reunion is 6 p.m., Friday, Aug. 9, at White Lake Oaks Country Club, 991 M. Williams Lake Road in White Lake Township. Contact Sheila Goins Hughes at sjhul@aol.com.

Pontiac Northern Class of 1963 is planning its 50th reunion for Sept. 27 at Fountains Banquet, 6060 Maybee Road in Independence Township. Call Penny, 248-328-1217.

Volunteer opportunities

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

Business achievements

With a sales volume of \$60,936,595, **Kathy Brook-Ballard** of Clarkston's Max Brook Realtors was named to the Top 250 Sales Professionals by Transaction Volume.

Brook-Ballard was the only Michigan realtor to reach a top ranking in this category. As a luxury and lakefront property specialist in the Birmingham-Bloomfield area, she sold 74 properties in 2012 with an average sales price of over \$835,000.

Clarkston realtors with Real Estate One also named to the Top 250 list also include **Mike Fayz**, with 238 total transactions; **Thomas Zbikowski**, 232.71; and **Danielle Grostic**, 163.90.



Brook-Ballard

Munk & Associates Orthodontics of Clarkston was recently presented Ormco Corporation's American Technology Award in the Health & Medical Technologies category for its Insignia Advanced Smile Design.

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Dr. Charles W. Munk and Dr. Charles F. Munk of Munk & Associates.

Students achieve success

Grand Valley State University dean's list for Winter 2013 semester includes Clarkston students **Morgan N. Addis**; **Blake R. Andersen**; **Heather A. Baron**; **Melissa M. Bemis**; **Christopher D. Benedict**; **Jacob A. Brokenshaw**; **Adam J. Bruderick**; **Shelby J. Chambers**; **Christopher S. Davenport**; **Macy A. Dobleke**; **Jessica N. Drews**; **Aaron D. Ducharme**; **Denise J. Garbe**; **Julia V. Gjebiec**; **Shannon M. Goebel**; **Jessica L. Goyke**; **Morgan L. Grainer**; **Hannah M. Hamlin**; **Alyssa L. Hunt**; **Rachel N. Kowal**; **Drew L. MacColman**; **Kasey M. Mckay**; **Nicole A. Merte**; **Max A. Morell**; **Jamie N. Murawski**; **Amber R. Olson**; **Kevin P. O'Neill**; **Carson T. Ratliff**; **Adriane M. Reinelt**; **Zachary W. Skinner**; **Erika E. Snoeyink**; **Bradley G. Stencil**; **Brenna C. Stesney**; **Mikayla M. Thibodeau**; **Olivia E. Tomei**; **Brandon A. Toth**; **Lauren A. Wagner**;

John D. Wilks; **Evan J. Young**; and **Alayna K. Zielinski**; and Davisburg students **Julie M. Cole**; **Rebecca M. Harrison**; **Liana M. Periard**; **Erika M. Peruski**; and **Danielle R. Weaver**.

Earning degrees from Grand Valley State University in April 2013 were Clarkston students **Heather A. Baron**, BS; **Joseph A. Chaney**, BA; **Melissa R. Corazza**, BS; **Evan W. Davis**, BBA; **Molly E. Goss**, BA; **Jessica L. Goyke**, BS; **Alyssa L. Hunt**, BA; **Elizabeth L. Kurko**, BA; **Amy E. Lewis**, BSN; **Nicole A. Merte**, BA; **Stephanie J. Monkaba**, BS; **Collette M. Noble**, BSN; **Kevin P. O'Neill**, BA; **Megan V. Peterson**, BS; **Ali M. Phillips**, BS; **Jenna R. Sage**, BS; **Renay C. Schoenmaker**, BS; **Olivia E. Tomei**, BA; **Kristen V. Williams**, BSW; and **Brittany E. Wright**, BSW

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PROBATE COURT 2013-350, 816-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of John Stone Shanks aka John Shanks. Date of birth: 5/4/1934
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, John Stone Shanks, died 6/3/2013.

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

7-24-2013
Kathryn M. Canuso (P44723) Brandon C. Shanks
6480 Citation Drive 6791 Wellesley Terrace
Clarkston, MI 48346 Clarkston, MI 48346
248-625-0600 248-672-7329

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2013-351, 214-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of GARY GRAY, DECEASED. Date of birth: 03/28/1950.
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, GARY GRAY, died 05/31/2013.

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

7-17-2013
PAULA BAILEY P27176 ROBERT GRAY
238 S. BROADWAY 2310 COMMONWEALTH
LAKE ORION, MI 48362 AUBURN HILLS, MI 48326
248-693-4080 248-277-6636

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2013-350, 594-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of Ernestine Valeria Mays. Date of Birth: June 10, 1917
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Ernestine Valeria Mays, who lived at 29429 W. Chanticleer, Unit 72, Southfield, MI 48034 died 3/2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jon B. Munger, named personal representative or proposed personal representative to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

July 3, 2013
Jon B. Munger P54736 Jon B. Munger
4545 Clawson Tank Drive, Suite 100 4545 Clawson Tank Drive,
Clarkston, MI 48346 Clarkston, MI 48346
248.618.1200 248.618.1200

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2013-349, 860-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of Lucille Martin. Date of Birth: March 2, 1936
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Lucille Martin, died February 26, 2013.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jon B. Munger, named personal representative or proposed personal representative to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

July 15, 2013
Jon B. Munger P54736 Jon B. Munger
4545 Clawson Tank Drive, Suite 100 4545 Clawson Tank Drive,
Clarkston, MI 48346 Clarkston, MI 48346
248.618.1200 248.618.1200

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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.

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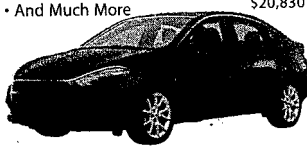
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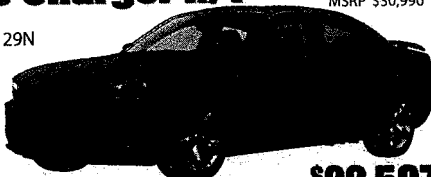
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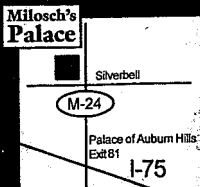
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