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Solutions elusive for drug abusers

Part three in prescription drug abuse series BYANDREAM.BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Joe (identity changed), a white collar worker and prescription drug abuser, is not alone. He is among millions Americans addicted to prescription medication.

"You have faced something tough," said Jim Evans of Clarkston, a nationally renowned addiction expert.

Since 1999, prescription drug abuse, and overdose deaths have exploded, and is now the leading cause of death over auto accidents. Types of medication often abused include narcotic pain pills as well as stimulants, like the drug Adderal, used to treat Attention Deficit Disorder.

Reasons for getting into drug abuse are plentiful, according to experts. Lieutenant Brent Miles, commander of the Narcotics Enforcement Team, said sometimes people get into prescription abuse after injury.

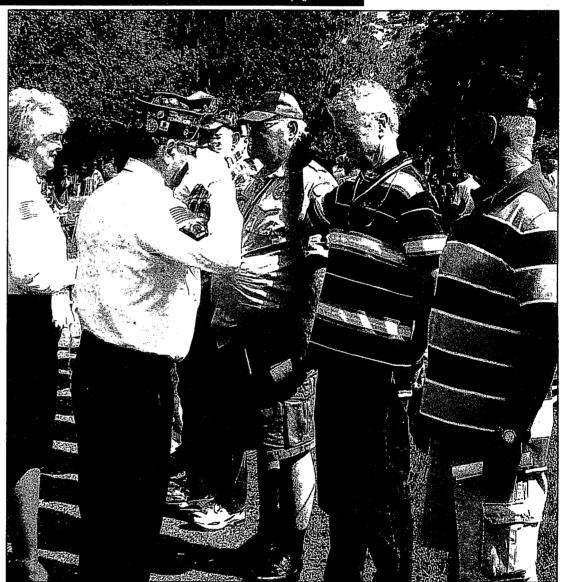
"They start taking more than they should or just can't get off of them," he said.

Just like there is no one answer to why people become addicted, there is no one solution to solving a prescription drug problem. During times of a slow economy, Evans said people sometimes get into drugs when they have a lot of time on their hands or perhaps life's troubles seem too much. Dr. Tim O'Neill, from Clarkston Medical Group, said addiction should be handled as a mental health issue.

O'Neill sees it more and more everyday people coming into the doctors office or emergency room seeking prescription drugs

"We see it in all walks of life and all ages."
he said of people who visit doctors seeking
prescriptions. "It's really troubling. There are
many drug seekers who come into the office.

Please see Treatment on page 6



WE SALUTE YOU: Kirk Hobolth of Clarkston, a U.S. Army helicopter pilot from 1963-1967, is recognized along with other local veterans for their service, at the Clarkston Memorial Day ceremony at Lakeview Cemetery, Monday. Please see page 3 for more pictures from the annual event. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

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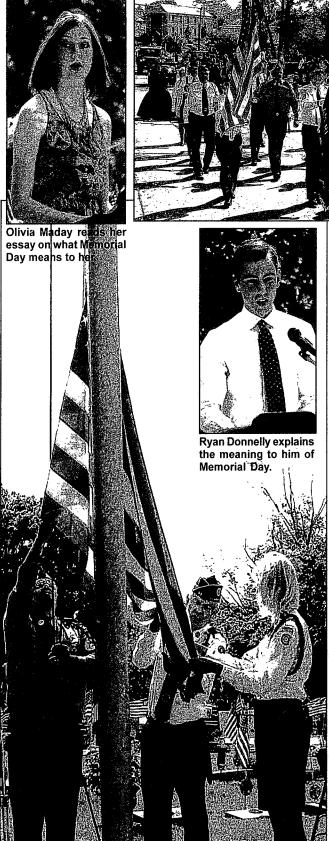
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Marilyn Grant of American Legion Post 63 Auxiliary, Jay Valls, first vice commander of Sons of the American Legion, and Craig Grant, America Legion Post 63, raise the flag.





John Nicholson of Clarkston, a Korean War veteran, is recognized for his service. Photos by Phil Custodio



Tim Dalrymple talks of heroes in our service.



Lilly Baer recites the Gettysburg Address, a tradition at the ceremony.

Honors on Memorial Day

Hundreds filled Lakeview Cemetery, Monday, to give meaning to Memorial Day.

American Legion Post 63 hosted the annual event, May 26, leading a parade including Clarkston High School band, vintage military vehicles, and veterans to the cemetery.

Clarkston Junior High School students Tim Dalrymple, Ryan Donnelly, Olivia Maday read essays they wrote on what Memorial Day means to them, and classmate Lilly Baer recited the Gettysburg Address.



The Clarkston Choral Group sings "America the Beautiful."







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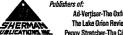
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Runners and walkers jump in preparation for the 5K event. Photos by Andrea Beaudoin

Angel's Place Race attendance up

Lots of exercise for a good cause- that is what participants were doing during the seventh annual Angel's Place Race, May 17.

Race Director Paul Maxwell said attendance for the event was up since last year. Days before the race, over 250 people were already signed up for the competition.

A 10K run kicked off just after 9 a.m. followed by the Bruce Clifton 5K run and walk and then a 1-mile family fun walk.

State Sen. Jim Marleau spoke to 10K participants to kick off the race just before runners set off on a preset course down Clarkston streets.

Oakland County Sherriff's Deputies monitored streets to make sure drivers obeyed the law and participants stayed safe.

Maxwell thanked all the local businesses

and people who supported the race.

A non-profit organization, Angel's Place operates 20 homes primarily in Oakland County for people with developmental disabilities.

Money raised will help support homes and services offered at Angel's Place and will also be used raise awareness in the com-

They currently have 300 people on a waiting list to get into the home.

"Angels Place promises 'Care for Life' so we rely on volunteers and annual fundraisers to keep our doors open," said executive director Cheryl Loveday. "We rely on fundraisers and volunteers to keep the doors



U.S. Army soldiers and volunteers -Andrea Beaudoin greet racers at the finish line.

Collection day for hazardous waste, clutter

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Spring is the perfect time to clean up your vard and house. Residents can drop off hazardous and non-hazardous waste during a community Clean-Up Day on June 7 at the Independence Township DPW.

Residents will pay a reduced fee for dropping off waste, thanks to \$30,000 in funding approved on May 13 by the Independence Township Board of Trustees.

The bid was awarded to Smith's Disposal in Clarkston.

"The township has \$30,000 budgeted, because we don't charge our residents the whole fee," said Independence Township DPW Director Linda Richardson.

City of Clarkston and Springfield Township residents can also participate, but can only drop off hazardous waste. Springfield residents must get a special voucher by visiting Springfield Township Offices at www.springfield-twp.us.

Anyone can drop off electronics for free. Batteries and old tires can be dropped off for \$2 a car tire, \$5 a truck tire, and \$10 for a

Community Clean-Up Day

June 7, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Independence Township DPW, 6050 Flemings Lake Road, 248-625-8222 Springfield Township residents can get a special voucher from Springfield Township offices, 12000 Davisburg Road, 248-846-6500

Fees for the drop off is based on vehicle size, and hazardous waste is based on gallons, pounds or number of items brought in.

No commercial vehicles are allowed, and certain types of hazardous and non-hazardous waste will not be accepted.

See the ad in this week's Clarkston News for a complete list of hazardous and non-hazardous materials accepted.

During a Clean-Up Day in 2009, 300 vehicles stopped by. Richardson said 2009 was the last time the township had a clean-up day and officials have no idea how may vehicles will show up this year.

"We used to always have a clean-up annually," she said. But budget cuts forced the township to ax the event.

"It's been five years now since the last one, and we have no idea how many people will show up."

During a May Independence Township Board of Trustees meeting Trustee Jose Aliaga said while he was out talking to residents, many have asked him when the next clean up day was.

"I think this will be good for the community," said Aliaga.

Richardson said the clean-up is good for the community by allowing residents to get rid of unneeded items.

"Even if you always try to keep your property neat and tidy there are always leftover items you just can't throw in the garbage. Get rid of things like old refrigerators, couches or unused paint," she said.

The Clean-Up Day provides someplace for people to get rid of those unneeded items. All the things they cannot donate or have no

She added sometimes people will dump these items in the woods or on the side of the road, an action Richardson said could be punishable by a huge fine under a Township Ordinance passed in 2012.

Richardson also wants to remind residents they can go to Eagle Valley Dump in Orion Township anytime to drop off items for a fee.



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Briefly

School tech grant

Clarkston schools has a \$60,000 Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant with a June 30 expiration date. Administration presented a plan to the Board of Education, May 19, to use it to buy a new firewall for the district.

The Fortinet Firewall, including hardware, license certificates, backups, and delivery, would cost \$56,445.74.

Installing a new firewall has been a top technology priority for the district, said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock. The school board will discuss the issue in June, scheduling a special meeting if required.

Vocation program OK'd

Clarkston School Board voted unanimously, May 19, to approve the purchase of a new vocational curriculum for \$24,685.

The Practical Assessment Exploration System will provide work and life skill training for students at Clarkston High School as well as the district's post-secondary program. Units will include Computer Technology, Construction/Industrial, Processing/Production, Consumer/Service, and Business/Marketing.

Funds come from special education grants and district special education funds.

Extra days for Bailey Lake El

Bailey Lake Elementary will be in session for two half days more than the rest of the district this school year, June 11 and 12.

All buildings had 10 cancelled snow days, three more than allowed by the state. Bailey Lake had additional power outage days, so fell two more days short.

June 10, the last half day for the rest of the district, is a half day for Bailey Lake as well.

The state government passed House Bill 4295, but it does not apply to Clarkston. The bill only affects districts exceeded 175 days in 2009-10, re-setting their threshold to 174. Clarkston is already below that, at 172 days.

However, the House Bill lowers the attendance percentage required for Make Up Days from 75 percent to 60 percent

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Jim Evans of Clarkston has worked for many years, helping people fight addiction. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Treatment options available, experts say

Continued from page 1

and the emergency room. We assess patients. We see some of the same patients quite often. When we keep seeing the same patients who are seeking prescription drugs, we have to send them to a pain management clinic where prescriptions and pain are much better controlled."

Doctors are in a catch-22 because they do not want to let people suffer in pain, but they don't want to feed a patients addiction either.

"Doctors have to help people that need help," said O'Neill. "There are patients that are in true pain."

One of the answers, he said, comes from the states of Florida and Maryland. Those states have begun trying to prevent drug diversion, which is when a person receives a prescription but it ends up in the hands of someone else.

"Florida and Maryland test patients to make sure they are taking their prescription."

O'Neill also suggests making help more available, which he said is in the process of being worked out. O'Neill added more resources need to be allocated to fight prescription drug abuse.

"A lot of treatment is not covered by insurance which is another problem," he said. "The way society treats drug abuse is a problem, too. It should be treated as a clinical problem and treated medically."

Evans, who spent years working on trauma and addiction issues, said the best way to overcome a drug or alcohol problem is to rip someone from their environment. Take them away from everything they know.

He developed this treatment model when working with the Drug Enforcement

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"What I discovered is by taking people to remote, and often exotic, locations where I completely immerse them in a foreign environment and take them out of their comfort zones I was able to induce rapid change in their thinking and how they deal with problems," he insisted.

Evans service are called adventure based counseling.

"Imagine learning how to better cope with your problems and learn more about yourself then you ever have in three weeks in Jamaica rather than three years in some stuffy therapist's office," he said.

One of his clients several years ago was the son of a wealthy couple who were suddenly killed in an accident. When his parents died the young man, who was addicted to heroin, inherited a very large and successful company worth a fortune.

Evans was scheduled to go on a fishing trip when he got the call from a group of executives. The company's board of directors called Evans in and said the young man had to be fixed.

They told him no expense should be spared. They gave Evans everything he needed including a ton of cash to pay for the trip and a car. Evans was on a mission.

"I went and found him at a hotel. The door was open. I went in and said, 'hey it's me, Jim, ya know from the party last night.' The kid asked no questions and just went along because he was so out of it. He came to a few times as we traveled, but when he really came to, we were in the middle of the ocean," he said.

There was nothing the young man could do to get back to his toxic environment. They went on a boat, they fished, they snor-

keled and they talked. Evans got to know, and counsel the young man.

"Weeks later he came back happy and healthy," Evans said.

Although Evans provides adventure based counseling to clients who have the resources, what about the people who don't have the resources to just jet away one-on-one on a private trip with a counselor?

"You can't stop people from doing what they want to do," said Evans.

He added if people don't want to change, they won't. But if they do want to change, they have to change everything about their environment and everything they know. That sometimes means the place they live, their job, their friends and sometimes their partners.

"I know I have to change almost everything if I want to overcome my problem," admitted Joe.

Changing almost everything and having a good attitude is the key.

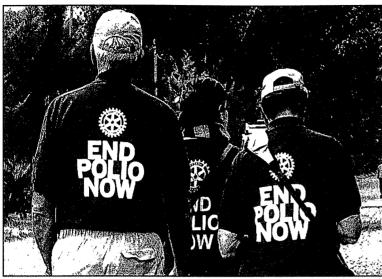
"Attitude in life is everything, but people with attitudes who are adjustable are the most likely to be helped," said Evans. "The first key is to find someone to relate to and trust. Talk to pastors at church. Pastors save lives everyday."

He added to also meet with help groups like Narcotics Anonymous or Alcoholics Anonymous. A big key is to stay away from people who bring you down.

"Get involved with healthy people," he said. "Develop a strong support system with family, friends, churches and support groups."

"There is really no one model that fits everyone," Evans admitted.

This series continues next week about prescription drug abuse



Mary Sloan and Jeff Lichty on a Polio Mission in Ethiopia in November of 2013 for Rotary Club. Photo provided

Awards for local volunteers

BY LAURA DUCHARME

Special to the Clarkston News

Two Clarkston residents earned national recognition with the President's Volunteer Service Award.

Mary Sloan and Jeff Lichty were honored for their efforts to help disaster survivors in 2013. Sloan and Lichty are ShelterBox Ambassadors for the organization ShelterBox USA, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing humanitarian relief after natural disasters happen.

A Rotarian in England started ShelterBox when he noticed shelter was not provided as fast as food and medical care after natural disasters

His Rotary Club started filling boxes with items families may need, such as tents, sleeping bags and water purifiers.

ShelterBox USA is a partner with Rotary Club, which Sloan and Lichty are both involved in. The award is given to recipients on behalf of President Barack Obama.

"It's nice to see volunteers getting rewarded for their work," said Lichty.

The Clarkston Rotary is most recognized for an annual event they hold every December called Shoes for Kids.

"We are out on the street corners selling our Rotary paper," said Sloan. "We spend all the proceeds the following week on shoes, boots, hats and gloves for local children."

There are 33,000 Rotary clubs worldwide and each club helps people through local and international projects.

"We like to say our club does the things people think just happen," said Sloan. "For instance, we host a picnic every year for the SCAMP (a camp for children with special needs) families. We put on the Labor Day parade. We award local High School scholarships, support Team RUSH and other youth programs.'

Sloan and Litchy have helped with many projects internationally, including eye care missions in Grenada, West Indies, and Peru and administrating the polio drops in India and Ethiopia. They are also hoping to help with one of the projects in Gulu, Uganda, in the near future.

As for working with ShelterBox, they stay right here in Michigan and promote the organization. An event called Box City happens every May and a Rotary high school group puts it on from Royal Oak. They draw attention to the homeless by creating sleeping quarters out of large boxes and collect money.

"Half of the money goes to a food kitchen in Royal Oak and half goes to ShelterBox," said Sloan. "Jeff and I have put up the ShelterBox tent at that activity and talked about the project to the students and any parents that have been there. ShelterBox is a project young people understand right away."

Lichty agrees with Sloan that young people understand ShelterBox.

"A fifth grade class at an elementary school on the west side of the state found out about ShelterBox on their own," said Lichty. "They didn't have a lot of money themselves. They raised \$1,500 and Rotary Club matched what they raised."

ShelterBox has active deployments all over the world, including in the Philippines (still helping from the typhoon in November), Zimbabwe and Bolivia (both due to flooding) and in Syria and surrounding countries due to refugee crisis.

Sloan and Lichty are very happy to accept this award and are glad the programs are getting noticed.

"It's satisfying work and it's never ending," said Lichty. "As long as there are disasters we will be promoting ShelterBox."

Landscaping tips from Tom

6 Questions to Ask Your Landscape Designer

Choosing the right landscape designer and contractor is the best way to ensure your landscape project runs smoothly and look beautiful. It's relatively easy to start a husiness and call yourself a landscaper so be careful not to be swaved by the lowest bid. Ask the following key questions when choosing a landscape

Can you show me pictures?

Every professional landscape contractor will have a portfolio of past work. If you don't like the looks of their work, no sense going any further.

Can you provide references?

Find out if previous clients were happy with their end results. Did the design match their vision? Did the project stay within budget? Did the designer offer creative alternatives? Were the workers professional? Was the project completed on time?

How does the design process work?

A professional landscape contractor will start by asking you questions to guarantee the end result reflects your style and personality. If they start telling you what they'd do, watch out! Yo might end up with a generic looking landscape.

What's included?

Will they handle design, installation, irrigation, lawn, lighting, permits, and disposal? One stop shopping makes the process smoother.

Will you educate me?

Ask your landscaper how and why specific plants are chosen. If you're doing any type of hardscaping (patios, walks, decks, walls) ask about ground preparation, drainage plans, and material selection. A professional landscaper will take the time to offer clear explanations.

Do you have a written guarantee?

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Memorial memories

After a good Memorial Day weekend, I'm ready for summer to start, hot weather and all.

Spring was a good preseason for my running this year. I ran in the Chuck Keegan Race for the Kids' 5K in April and Angel's Place Race's 10K a couple weeks ago.

Both were kind of chilly, but my times were good for me. At least I think so for the 5K, because I didn't keep a time on

that one. The 10K, though, I finished in about 55 minutes, just under a nine-minute-mile pace. This is about a minute-per-mile improvement over my performance in the Back Roads Half Marathon last November.



Now starts summer training in the heat. I got a taste of that last week, with its sunny afternoons. Keep them coming – I got a new running belt for that, with two water bottles attached and a pouch about the right size for my phone. I do love gearing up for stuff.

I also caught a Memorial Day weekend movie blockbuster – "X-Men, Days of Future Past." I read the original comic back in 1981, courtesy of my brother's collection. I may have even asked permission to read that one.

Images from the comic story stuck with me ever since, though many didn't make it into the movie. A city bus pulled by a team of horses in dystopian New York City. Wolverine's adamantium skeleton, lying bare on the ground after getting zapped by a sentinel. A silhouette of Storm, impaled by a spike thrown by a sentinel. The original comic is set in 2013, "the future" at the time of publication, so far off for an 11-year-old in 1981 I couldn't even imagine it. The actual future has no superpowered mutants flying around, but also no giant purple robots blasting everything in sight.

Of course, I remembered the reason for Memorial Day with the American Legion Post 63 and everyone else at the parade and ceremony in Lakeview Cemetery.

I was impressed with the Clarkston Junior High School students, reading their essays and reciting the Gettysburg Address.

The teachers there do a great job with their history lessons, with this as well as inviting World War II veterans every year to speak to students.

Letters To The Editor . . .

Library support

Dear Editor,

Restore funding or eliminate the library: that is the decision we face as voters on August 5, 2014.

Our library is essential; but it must have diverse resources and the ability to adapt.

Since 1999 the "effective" library funding has dropped by 41% due to decreases in funding from all sources and the effect of inflation. Also, the 0.75 mills rate has not changed in over 35 years.

The millage rate of 1.25 mills (\$1.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value of all taxable property). The cost to the average homeowner whose property has a market value of \$200,000 is only \$125 per year. This about \$10.41 a month, or the cost of dinner for two at McDonald's once a month.

The millage increase of 0.50 mills (\$.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value of all taxable property). The cost to the average homeowner whose property has a market value of \$200,000 is only \$50 per year. This about \$1.00 a week, or the cost of one morning cup of McDonald's coffee for a week.

If you are in the Corridor Improvement Authority (Sashabaw area), then only three cents will be for the Sashabaw out of every \$10 approved for funding our Library.

If the millage does not pass, then the library will be totally unfunded and the doors closed within five days.

If our library closes, then we lose Book Club Discussion Groups, Pre-School Story Time, Toddler/Two Year Olds Programs, use of pre-loaded Kindles, audio books, and books on tape, not just books.

If we have no library, then we will not have a library membership and have no privileges at any other libraries.

Additional information is available.

Dr. Thomas K. Stone Clarkston

Thanks for SCAMP help

Dear Editor,

It is with deep appreciation that we write to tell you how grateful we are to the Clarkston community for the support we felt for the Walk & Roll for SCAMP.

We moved the event this year in anticipation of the M-15 road work and it went seamlessly.

Thanks to the hard work and generosity of the school coordinators, Clarkston Schools, Mr. Adams and Clarkston El, the Pontiac Civitans, and all the volunteers, we will be able to send 30 SCAMPers to camp this summer.

Thank you very much,

Theresa Fabrizio and Theresa Rigato Co-Chairs, Walk & Roll for SCAMP

Pay attention on roads

Dear Editor,

Last Saturday I treated myself to breakfast downtown. As I drove past Deer Lake Beach area, I noticed a beautiful swan standing on the grass. I was taken by how large it was, standing at least three feet high. I was on my way back home about 40 minutes later when I made the turn on Holcomb by Depot Park and noticed an Oakland County Sheriff's car with its lights on.

"Oh no," I said out loud as I realized the deputy was picking up the swan off of the road, dead! I was so mad! Who couldn't see this bird, white and three feet high? I say to you, the driver that took out this beautiful bird, was it texting that caused you not to notice the swan? Or were you to involved in a cell phone conversation? Or, even worse, totally unaware of your surroundings that you didn't even see it?

Absolutely frightening! Put down the phone and drive!

Madeline Dishon Independence Township

Comments on library

Dear Editor.

In regards to "Vote to determine library's future," May 14, Cory Johnston's comment on the library millage is misleading.

He says "township residents could vote a 1.25 mil tax increase on city residents." This is not a vote placed on the ballot by either the township or the city. It is a vote of the residents of the library district, which the city and township formed, but which is a separate entity run by a separate board. The residents of the entire district will vote whether to tax themselves to have a library and there is no distinction between city and township residents in this vote.

Likewise, there will be no "1.25 mil increase on city residents" while "township residents would still only see a .56 increase." All residents of the library district will be treated the same. In the township, the current township .691 library millage will end. It will be replaced by the 1.25 district library millage, a net increase of .559 mills. In the city, the council has committed to reducing the portion of its general operating millage that currently goes to fund the library, which is the equivalent of .691 mills, so that the net increase for city residents will be the same.

Voters should not assume that some alternative will be put in place if the millage is not approved. The agreement that created the district library provides that the district library will be dissolved, the township millage that has supported the library will end, and the city's payments to support the library will end. The township subsidized library operations in past years from its general fund. It can't afford to do that any more.

Our library is a great community resource. We should not lose it.

Richard Bisio Clarkston

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1999

"City over budget for 1998-99" With only two months left in their current fiscal year, the City of Clarkston was \$7,560.36 over their projected budget. The culprits - the city's engineering and planning costs. The budget for engineering was \$5,000 and they ended up to being \$33,843.20.

"It was quite an experience" Veterans shared wartime stores in honor of Memorial Day. World War II and Korean War veterans Franklin, Willard, Bob Morse, John Nicholson, George Thompson and Jo Postle spoke of the horrors of war and also about the impact it had on their lives.

"Wolves nip Dragons in district preview" Clarkston Girls Varsity Softball beat Lake Orion 5-3. They dug themselves out of a 3-0 deficit with five runs in the bottom of the fourth winning. It gave the Lady Wolves their 20th consecutive win as the improved to 24-13-1.

25 years ago - 1989

"Fires singes three townships" Sparks from a passing train ignited a grass fire requiring the efforts of firefighters from five townships. Officials believed the fire started at 11 a.m. along the Grand Trunk Western in the vicinity of Clarkston Road in Springfield Township. During the next 5-6 hours it spread to spots across three townships.

"Concert season kick-off brings drinking, fighting" The start of Pine Knob Music Theatre's summer concerts signaled the beginning of a busy season for area police. During the weekend's kick-off appearance by Eddie Money and Henry Lee Summer the police issued citations to 37 underage drinkers. They also issued loitering citations and broke up fights.

"Partnership gives students a look at job choices" Four Clarkston High School students received a first-hand look at the world of health care since February in a new school-business partnership. Serving as volunteers, the students moved to different areas of Pontiac General Hospital and were exposed to various functions and skills employees perform

50 years ago - 1964

"Clarkston's all band concert featuring local boy's composition" The spotlight was on Dennis Ulrick during the all band concert. He directed the band in his own creation, "Evening Hours." He wrote the piece and arranged it.

Philosophy of Will Rogers vs. Ph.Ds'

When Pero the Shriner clown visited is a picture." me recently, he gave me a book, "The Ouotable Will Rogers.'

You almost have to be my age to remember Will Rogers. Dubbed the cowboy philosopher, he was an entertainer, humorist, radio personality, actor and newspaper columnists who specialized in lariat tricks on stage.

Here are three of his quotes:

"You can look at half the guys' stomachs in the world and you can see they don't know how to order for themselves."

"What we need is cleaner minds and dirt under our fingernails."

"Great artists say the most beautiful thing in the world is a baby. Well, the next is an older lady, for every wrinkle

Having written over 2,500 columns for our Jim's newspapers, I feel as Jottings qualified for a Ph.D. degree as any college professor. They are allowed to exist on a campus for 25 years, write a thesis and retire.

A couple of definitions of that degree have come my way. Doctor of A column by Philosophy and Piled Jim Sherman, High and Deep.

I can only guess that President Obama and US Attorney General Eric Holder have these degrees. Holder linked the

president and attorney general have been treated like us?"

First of all, we've never had two like them, colored or white. No one in their political position have ever played the race card to their constituents like Holder recently did.

Global warming is being studied on all sides. The side getting the most exposure has political overtones. By political overtones, I mean companies and organizations with financial promises from promoters of these agendas. Both sides claim to have scientific evidence to back their cause.

With that foremost in mind, I see no reason to do anything but live for the ris-

two in his raciest remarks: "What other ing sun tomorrow, and click my tv "off" clicker a little more often.

> One of my urologists told a group of men our active sex life is 40 years. Then he told us of a man who sought a longer sex life. This man knew monkeys have a longer endurance, 60 years. So, he befriended a monkey and asked him to give him 10 of his 60 years. The monkey gave the man 10 years.

But the man still wanted more.

He sought out a lion, known to have decades of the "good" life. The lion agreed to give the man 20 years.

With these added years the man got 10 years of monkeying around and 20 years of lion-ing about his new found endurance.

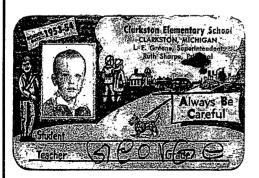
Where's George? Heck, who's George?

Two totally unrelated events happened to me this week that got me a-pondering.

One of the coolest parts of being "the" local newspaper guy (look at my business card if you don't believe me) is local history. I love hearing, discovering all the neat little things that have had happened to make each of our communities what they currently are. And this love af-

fair is nothing new. In the seventh and eighth grade, I had an Oakland Press paper route. I delivered to homes from Clarkston Road, Greenview. Dubique and more. The first house on my route was Mr. and Mrs. Arnold. I'd peddle my 1957 Schwinn Hornet cruiser up their drive and more times than not, Mrs. Arnold would bring out a piece of pie and Mr. Arnold would start telling stories. When Clarkston Road was dirt, where he used to dig up roots by Walters Lake to make root A column by beer. The rest of the 40 or so homes would always get their papers late as I enjoyed the pie and history lessons.

Whilst still a young, impressionable and pure as the driven snow college man, I wrote a research paper on the history of Oxford, because Clarke Historical Library at Central Michigan University had all of The Oxford Leaders on microfilm. I



loved reading the towns unofficial history, as it happened and was reported in The Leader - when men used to break their arms cranking the front of their tractors to get ém started. The crank would "kick" and I guess busted limbs were front news back then. Go figure!

When I first started working at The Leader, I went to local historian, barber and story teller Stub Robinson to learn what I could of that town. I even learned how he and his friends used to sneak into the Methodist church on hot summer days to skinny dip in the baptismal pool.

I remember when then Oxford photographer Mel Pawl moved his studio from the west side of M-24 to the east side (where photographer Johnston now has her studio). When he was remodeling he took down some paneling and on the brick wall by the staircase was an wall-sized ad for Bull Durham tobacco.

Even going through old Clarkston News from the 1960s. '70s and '80s to see and read about familiar faces. It always makes me smile to see the hair styles and fashions of the day. Most of the time, I will make a photo copy of old articles/pictures and send them to whomever I want to embarrass. (Ask local Realtor Pam Ford about her Jane Fonda workout photo from the 1980s!)

Recently, handyman Rob Schroeder contacted me - actually we were both in Brown's Do-it Center in Goodrich and he pulled me out to his older-than-dirt pickup truck and gave the card you

He worked on a home at 18 Holcolm Street in Clarkston, and found this library card, shoved behind something.

Who's is this George, who lived at 18 Holcolm and in 1953-54 looked to be a first grader at Clarkston Elementary School? Local historians want to know!

Also, on Facebook, somebody posted this photo of Bob Seger from the 1970s, standing on Main Street in Clarkston, a-front the Clarkston News building. You can see the arches, to the right. I re-posted and started getting information about the Seger Clarkston connection.

When I was growing up, there were two rumors I knew of saying rock and roller Bob Seger lived in Clarkston -- one on Clintonville Road, north of Sashabaw Creek; the other on Sashabaw Road across of what is now Independence Oaks Park. Guess what I learned this week?

Both rumors were untrue and true at the same time. Seger did indeed have a Clarkston mailing address, but not on either of those roads. I found a neighbor of his, that I know, but didn't know she was a neighbor. Here's the exchange.

"Hi Don, I lived on Shamrock Lane from 1972-1986, there are four jouses with drives off Rattalee Lake Road, just past the jog at Ellis. Bob Seger lived in the house that

faced Rattalee. I remember in 1977 we had a family open house and he was mowing his lawn on his riding mower. My sister and her college roommate were freaking out and crouching under my front window, so they could look at him through binoculars. It was hysterical!

"It was great fun, but we didn't tell people, as he was trying to be low key. He rode his motorcycle to those concerts at Pine Knob! Incognito!

"It was so nice, he gave us all Pine Knob tickets, three moms and we each have three kids! We were so excited! He's a nice

So, it's not much of his-

tory, but again, one of those neat little stories that making living here so rich! (And, now it's in print for almost for-

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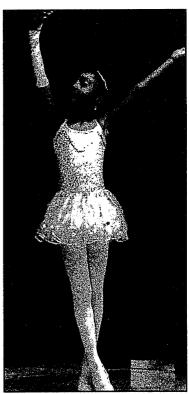
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PRINCIPAL DEDICATION: Pine Knob Elementary Principal Jodi Yeloushan was duct taped to the wall by her own students recently. It was a fund raiser for the PKE Destination Imagination team. Students purchased a strip of tape for \$1. The principal duct taping and other fund raisers, including hat and pajama day, raised over \$800 for the team to attend the DI Global Finals. Photo provided



DANCER: First grader Mariyah Gonder, first grader at Pine Knob Elementary, shares her interpretation of "Let it Go" at the recent Pine Knob Elementary Talent Show.

Burglary interrupted

A resident in the 5000 block of Forest Ridge Drive came home about 5 p.m., May 11, and found her front door kicked in, She looked around the house and found the back sliding glass door unlocked and the screen half open. A file cabinet was open, and jewelry box and purses moved in a closet, but nothing was missing, making her think the suspect exited out the back door when she arrived home.

Suspended license

A 50-year-old Auburn Hills man was cited for driving with a suspended license, expired registration, and no proof of insurance, 12:03 p.m., May 12, at Clintonville Road and Pine Knob Road.

Expired registration

A deputy stop a car with expired registration tabs, 5:58 p.m., May 12, at Sashabaw and Maybee roads. The driver, a 31-year-old 5732 Shannon Lane woman, was cited for driving on a suspended license, expired plates, and no insurance.

Tab expired

A 42-year-old Waterford Township man was stopped for an expired vehicle registration tab, 6:33 p.m., May 14, at Sashabaw and Maybee roads. He was cited for driving while license suspended and expired plates.

Drunk driver

A 41-year-old Independence Township woman who drove her SUV into a ditch at Ortonville and Rattalee Lake roads, 3:24 a.m., May 15, was arrested for drunk driving. With a preliminary breath test of .281, she was jailed pending blood test results.

Trash fire

Independence Township firefighters put out a dumpster fire in the 4000 block of Clintonville Road, 8:37 p.m., May 15. An employee of a nearby business saw it fully evolved and called 911, but didn't see who started it.

Tax scam

Independence Township resident reported getting calls from New York for the several months, May 15. Addressing her by name, the caller said he's from the IRS, and told her she owed money on her taxes. The IRS warned of phone scams all over the country, with victims told they owe money and to pay through pre-loaded debit card or wire transfer – the IRS doesn't ask for credit card numbers over the phone, or request debit cards and wire transfers. Call the IRS at 800-829-1040.

Tires slashed

Someone cut the rear tires on a pickup truck parked in the 4000 block of Rohr Road, May 17.

Public Safety For Clarkston and Independence Township

Motorcyclist killed in crash

Kimberly Gail Anderson of Fenton, 37, died at Genesys Regional Medical Center, May 20 at 3:07 p.m. from injuries she sustained in a motorcycle crash, May 18. Anderson lost control of the 1998 Yamaha TW motorcycle she was driving on Scenic Valley Drive near Big Lake in Springfield Township. She was not wearing a helmet during the crash. The crash remains under investigation by OCSO Crash Reconstruction Unit.

Stolen purse found

Security found a purse between apartment buildings in the 4000 block of Fox Creek, 1:53 a.m., May 18. Contents were tossed around the area, but identification was still in the purse and it was returned to its owner. It was report stolen in January from her SUV while it was in the parking lot. She said \$200 was missing.

No business ID

A deputy on patrol stopped a commercial truck with no business identification on the passenger side and license plate zip-tied underneath, 12:54 p.m., May 19, on I-75 at Sashabaw Road. The business owner and passenger, a 26-year-old Willow Park Road man, said he took the license plate off his girlfriend's SUV and put it on the truck. The passenger had a bench warrant out of 52-2 District Court and was arrested. The truck owner, a 27-year-old Willow Park Road woman, was cited for improper plate, no proof of insurance, and no fire extinguisher, and given warnings for no safety triangles and identification violation.

Fire from ashes

Residents in the 5000 block of Hilltop Estates Drive called 911 after they smelled smoke and someone rang the doorbell, telling them smoke was coming from the roof, 9:07 p.m., May 19. A resident found smoke in the garage, and the family escaped out a backdoor. Independence Township firefighters put out the blaze. The homeowner said he burned some sticks and leaves outside over the weekend, and placed the ashes in the garage that day.

Warrant arrest

Responding to a report of an intoxicated man in the 6000 block of Tuson Boulevard, 7:26 p.m., May 20, deputies spoke to a 50-year-old Independence Township man. He said he was drinking in his apartment and at a friend's house. He was in his car in the parking lot, and had a preliminary breath test result of .24. He was cited for expired license and no valid plate on the car, and arrested on a warrant out of 52-2 District Court for drunk driving.

Trespasser

A deputy on patrol stopped a pickup truck kicking up dust in a field off Clarkston and Sashabaw roads, 6:38 p.m., May 19. The driver, a 19-year-old Oakland man, said he thought it was a road. He was cited for trespassing.

Noise at night

A resident in the 4000 block of Fox Creek was awakened by noises about 3 a.m., May 19. The next morning, he found a front window screen had been opened a few inches

Compost fire

Deputies and Independence Township firefighters put out fire in compost pile in a backyard in the 6000 block of Paramus, 6:20 a.m., May 20. The resident said he had a small fire the night before and put what he thought were cooled off coals in the compost.

Theft report

An Independence Township resident reported medication taken from her car when it was parked on Fay Street, May 21. The driver said the car was locked, but the front passenger window was left half open.

Domestic violence

A 54-year-old Clarkston man was jailed for domestic violence, 7:28 p.m., May 21. The man's wife said they argued about the volume of his music on the porch in the 5000 block of S. Main Street, he grabbed her phone and broke it on ground, and hit her in the chest. She yelled for help and drove to the Independence Township substation.

Wrong plate

A deputy stopped a car with a license plate registered to another vehicle, 8:10 p.m., May 21, at Sashabaw and Clarkston roads. The driver, a 27-year-old Waterford man, said he never registered it, and was using a plate from a previous vehicle. He was cited for plate violation and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Disorderly conduct

A 47-year-old Flint man and 46-year-old Flint man were arrested for disorderly conduct, 12:29 p.m., May 22, in the 7000 block of Sashabaw Road. They had been sitting on a parking lot curb, highly intoxicated, sharing a large beer and yelling at each other.

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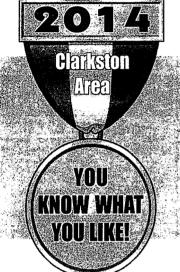
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Statement made in w

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Twelve goals in the first 12 minutes was part of the statement the Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse team wanted to make in the playoffs.

"We wanted to make sure we started off with the right approach and stepped up on the right foot to let everyone know we are here for business," said Brian Kaminskas, head coach.

The statement led to the Wolves beating Utica Ford, 25-4, in the first round of regionals last Thursday.

'It was a good game," Kaminskas smiled after the game. "As we told the kids it was more of a statement game for the state finals. We want to make sure everyone we play against is aware when we step on the field our goal is to score 20 goals.'

The scoring started a mere 18 seconds into the game as senior Connor Dziewit put Clarkston on the scoreboard, with an assist from senior Connor Ward.

The Wolves scored four more goals in the next 90 second from senior Reid Kaminski, sophomore Keaton Mitchell, junior Andrew Williamson and Ward.

By the time the first quarter ended the boys had put 12 points on the board and kept Utica Ford to zero.

They were clearly focused," said Kaminskas. "They had prom (on Wednesday.) I am sure they were out late and I am sure they were enjoying themselves. They showed up today and they got it done. You can't ask for much more than that."

Clarkston found more scoring opportunities in the second quarter and starting the moment at 8:01 with a goal from Liam Stickle off and assist from senior Gavin Bertram.

Williamson led the team with four goals and Stickle added three while Ward had seven assists. The boys made 38 shots on the net.

Goalies senior Jake Hendricks and sophomore David Taylor made 13 saves during the game, with Taylor stepping in in the second

Kaminskas added defense was great during the game.

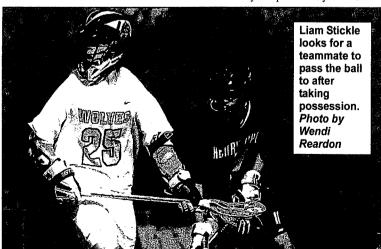
"The first half our opponents made a shot on the cage, maybe two," he said. "Our defense was aggressive. They played very good position defense. They were spot on with their clears.

"The seniors in general played great," he continued. "We make a big deal about being undefeated at home and this was their last opportunity. I thought as a group they played great all year and today was icing on the

The boys play Utica Eisenhower on Wednesday at Troy Athens, 7:30 p.m. Eisenhower beat Romeo in the first round,

"It's going to be tougher," Kaminskas said. "Every time, every game we play from here on out we have to climb that ladder a little higher. We are ready. We are going to be prepared. Next week it will start to get very challenging."

The winner moves to the regional finals set for Friday at 7 p.m. at Troy Athens.



THLETE OF THE WEEK



Caine Watlington, left, leaps over the hurdles during the MHSAA Regional Track and Field Preliminaries, May 16. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Watlington on track

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston High School senior Caine Watlinton's personal achievement for his last track season was taking first place at the Bay City Western Invitational in the long jump.

"I have done it for four years," he said about the annual meet. "This was the first time I had gotten first."

He added what helped this year was getting stronger and getting a little bit faster.

"I was better equipped to beat my opponents," Watlington noted.

He finished as regional champ last year in the long jump, qualifying for states. This year he finished in sixth place and didn't qualify for states.

"I didn't do as good as I could but I did better all around this year in all of the races," he explained.

Watlington also competed in 110-meter hurdles, 300-meter hurdle, the 400-meter relay and other relay events when they need

He has participated in track off and on. during his elementary and middle school years. He picked it up again in his sophomore year.

When it came to choosing events his coaches gave him a few ideas of what would be best for him and he chose from

"The hurdles are very challenging races," he explained about chosing his events. "It doesn't just take speed, it takes skill to do. I figured to step up and do it. I like long jump because I have done it since in middle school and I have been good at

He will play football in the fall when he heads to the Air Force Academy, where he will study finance.

His advice to aspiring athletes is to keep working hard and fighting for your goals.

"Don't let something deter you from doing what you want," Watlington added.



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Lady Hitters aim outside the park in playoffs

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Lady Wolves hit some high and lows last week but they will use it as they prepare for the post-season beginning this week.

"They got to play a lot of good teams," said Clarkston Varsity Softball Head Coach Don Peters. "They saw a lot of good pitchers. The experience of playing against good teams and good pitching can be put in their memory banks. They can use it as they go forward against more good pitching and good teams."

The girls lost to North Farmington on Thursday, 4-3. Rachel Vieira hit a home run



Rachel Vieira readies at the plate. Photo by Wendi Reardon

and brought in al! three runs during the game to put the girls at a 21-9 overall record.

The girls opened the week on May 19 with two losses to Troy Athens in a double header, 5-4 and 6-4

Clarkston scored two runs in the second inning during the first game but Athens came back with five runs in the last two innings to capture the win. Vieira hit a triple and had one RBI. Abby Skvarce and Candace Kitchen hit doubles.

Vieira and Mikayla Blaska each had two RBIs during the second game and Blaska hit 2-for-4 and Vieira hit 1-for-3.

The girls came back the next day to win both their double header games against Birmingham Groves, 6-2 and 9-0.

Groves scored two runs during the first inning and it wasn't until the third inning when the Lady Wolves tied the score.

Both teams were scoreless four innings but it was Clarkston to prevail for the win with four runs in the eighth inning.

Ashley Skaggs had two RBIs during the game. Blaska hit 2-for-4 with one RBI. Vieira, Maddy Scarsella and Victoria Wycoff also brought in one run each.

Madeline Maday was the winning pitcher with eight strikeouts.

Clarkston scored five runs in the first inning of the second game to take the lead.

Vieira brought in one run on her home run and hit 2-for-2. Katelyn Kuenzel hit a doubl and hit 2-for-3 with one RBI. Blaska, Skvarce, Scarsella, Alex Favazza and Mariah Hood had one RBI each.

Maday was the winning pitcher with seven strikeouts.

"We are over the tough stretch because of the weather and changing games due to different school events," Peters added. "We have had a lot of games in a short amount of time. The girls have worked through it. They have a lot of energy."

The girls opened the week on Tuesday at Bay City Western and head to Utica Eisenhower on Thursday.

The Lady Wolves head to the MHSAA District playoffs this Saturday at Lake Orion High School.

"It's a really tough district," Peters added.
"On our side Lake Orion is highly ranked in
the state and Waterford Kettering is highly
ranked. We are an honorable mention. We
are on the same side of the bracket so it will
be very challenging for whoever comes out
of it. We are very familiar with Orion because
they are in our league."

He noted a few of Clarkston's strengths heading into the post-season include defense and their batters.

"A lot of the girls are doing really well hitting the ball," Peters said. "Two games in a roll Vieira has had homeruns. Blaska is really making great contact with the ball and running the bases really well."

Pitching is the third component in their strengths with Maday and Favazza on the mound. Last Friday, Peters was up in the air if they would have Kitchen during playoffs due to an injury.

"She was throwing really well," He added.
"Maday and Favazza will have to step it up,
but they have done a really good job. We
have some games they will have to take
charge of."

They play at 10 a.m. in the semifinals against the Kettering/Orion winner. The final begin at 2 p.m. Lake Orion High School is located at 495 E. Scripps.

Maddy Herbert leads the ball into Bloomfield Hills' turf. Photo by WAR

Coming back from shutouts

Lady Kickers are looking ahead after finishing the regular season with two back-to-back losses last week.

The Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer team ended the week as they lost to Lapeer West on Thursday and Bloomfield Hills on Friday to the score of 3-0.

They opened the game against the Lady Blackhawks with possessions but Bloomfield took control of the ball to score 13 minutes into the game with Karmyn Carter's first of three goals for the night.

Junior Lady Wolf Morgan Halligan made two attempts to score, but they missed the net.

Head Coach Mike Nelson noted the girls will have to play a complete 80-minute game as they go into playoffs.

"We haven't been able to play a complete game at all this week," he said. "When we play well we have chances. We just need to finish those chances."

He added the girls have done it in the past.

"I have seen them do it," he continued.
"We have had numerous comebacks this
year. It will have to be start to finish."

The Lady Wolves hosted Waterford Mott in the first round of MHSAA District playoffs on Tuesday.

Nelson added the girls' strengths include ball movement and their midfield.

"If we can move the ball like we are capable of and if we can possess in the midfield we should be alright," he said.

The winner plays the Walled Lake Central/White Lake Lakeland winner on Thursday at 5 p.m. The district championship game is 5:30 p.m. Both games are at West Bloomfield High School, 4925 Orchard Lake Road.

~Sports Writer Wendi Reardon

Physicals June 4

Athletes planning to play sports in the 2014-2015 school year - mark your calendar.

Sports physicals for the upcoming school year are Wednesday, June 4, 3 - 5:30 p.m. in the Clarkston High School gymnasium lower hall.

The physical is good for all Clarkston Community Schools athletes for the 2014-2015. Any age can attend.

The cost is \$20 and all proceeds go to the Clarkston Athletic Boosters. Physicals are given by physicians from the Clarkston Medical Group.

For more information or for a consent form, please visit www.clarkston.kl2.mi.us/athletics.

Physicals are required by the Michigan High School Athletic Association to play any sport.

Summer fun

Due to snow make-ups and limited workers, Clarkston Varsity Head Coach Kelly Avenall (Pinner) is offering the Clarkston Volleyball Clinic on June 11, 12, 13, 16 and 17.

The clinic is open to girls going into grades 9-12 play from 8-10 a.m., girls going into 5-8 play 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Cost is \$100 and includes T-shirt. Please note Bailey Lake Elementary students may attend Friday - Tuesday for \$60 due to their extra make-up days. Please make a note on the form. For more information, please email kjavenall@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Girls looking to learn fundamentals of basketball, improve shots, or want to have fun join **Dare to Dream Basketball Camp**

The camp is from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 18-20. It is for girls entering grades 3-9 for the cost of \$110.

Girls Varsity Basketball Head Coach Tim Wasilk, his coaching staff and varsity players teach the fundamentals of basketball and give players the tools they need to improve their game. Contact Wasilk at tlwasilk@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Clarkston Track & Field Camp, open to kids entering grades 4-9, is July 14-17 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Clarkston Girls Track & Field Head Coach John Yorke, his staff and varsity athletes teach kids the fundamentals and enjoyment of track and field. The cost for the camp is \$95. Call Community Education at 248–623-4326.

More camps and forms can be found on www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/athletics.

Leading on the green

Clarkston is heading to Davison Country Club this Thursday after qualifying in the MHSAA Golf District tournament.

The Wolves Varsity Golf team took third place at the meet with 303.

Brendon Graham led the team with a par of 72. He also tied for third place in the top individuals with John Lloyd from Fenton.

Nick Badgley and Lucas Nesbitt finished with a par of 75, sharing a four way tie for tenth place.

Alex Dice finished with a 81 and Garrett Polish with a 82.

Clarkston joins five other teams from the district on Thursday is Oxford, who finished in first place when they won on a fifth-man tiebreaker; Rochester, who took second with 302.

Grand Blanc took fourth with 304 while Fenton, 312, and Bloomfield Hills, 314, rounded off the remaining qualifying

The Wolves took fourth place in the Oakland County tournament with a 308 out of 23 teams on May 14 at Pontiac Country Club.

Dice tied for fifth place with a par of 73. Polish finished with a 76; Nesbitt, 79; Graham, 80; and Badgley, 80.

Rochester Adams finished in first place with 303; Detroit Catholic Central, 305; and Farmington, 306.

The boys divided into two teams for the Seaholm Invitationals at Orchard Lake Country Club, May 5.

The first team took second place out of 24 team with 296. The tournament medalist was Dice with a 69, two under par.

Polish finished with a 75; Graham and Nesbitt, 76; and Badgley, 84.

The second team finished in eighth place with 314. Brady Dice had a 76; Mitch Rogowski, 78; Noah Sampson and Nick Surovec, 80; and Austin Ayotte, 94.



The Clarkston Varsity Baseball team celebrate their wins during their annual Nathan Manuel Memorial Tournament.

Hitters dominate in tournament play

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Batters found themselves at the beginning of the year battling cold and snow but with the sun now shining, the swinging has brought wins.

The Wolves won all of their games during the past weekend with two wins on Friday and two on Saturday in the 2014 Greater Flint Champions Baseball Tournament.

'We had a good weekend," said Phil Price, head coach. "It was a really dominant force of pitchers."

The Wolves beat Clio by one point with a score 8-7. Blake Rehahn hit a double and 2-for-4 for the game. Nate Witt brought two runs home.

Joe Popp, DJ Zezula, Adam Klebba and Mitch Smith each had an RBI against the Mustangs. Popp, Jacob Laporte and Jacob Armstrong hit 2-for-4 at the plate.

The Wolves beat Bay City Western, 10-5. Highlights from the game included Ryan Rea going 2-for-2 at the bat with a double and three RBIs.

Smith and Zezula also hit doubles and

had one RBI each. Smith also hit a triple along with Popp. Klebba brought in two runs and Witt had one RBI.

Clarkston shutout the Fenton Tigers, 6-0. Rea led the team going 2-for-4 at the bat, hit a double and had three RBIs.

Rehahn and Popp also hit a double each and had one RBI each. David Steward had

The Wolves had one extra run over Flushing which helped them lead to a 2-1 win.Smith hit a double and Rea and Rehahn had one RBI each with Rehahn going 2-for-3 at the bat.

Rea pitched for six innings in the win and had four strikeouts and two hits.

Price noted all the guvs did well including Rea, Steward, Zezula, Nathan Morris, Peyton Lannon, Jake Velisek and Alex Peck.

"It was a dominant performance all week," he said.

The Wolves hosted and split a double header against Rochester on May 19. Peck pitched during the first game for a 10-0 shut-

Steward hit a home run in the second

game and the boys lost the game, 5-2.

The boys also went undefeated in their Nathan Manuel Memorial Tournament at Clarkston High School with three wins, May

They had one shutout with a 7-0 win over Linden. They also beat Cranbrook, 2-1, and Brandon, 5-1.

Price added the tournaments will help as the boys head into districts this week.

"It will give them confidence," he said. "We just have to come out and play good fundamental baseball. We just have to take it one game at a time."

Some of the strengths going into the playoffs include pitching.

"If we play defense and hit the ball we will have a good weekend," Price said.

"We are starting to bring it together," Steward added.

The boys play in the semifinals against the Waterford Kettering/Lake Orion winner at 12:30 p.m. District finals is at 3 p.m.

The district playoffs are held at Lake Orion High School, located at 495 E. Scripps.

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Senior sendoff

Clarkston High School seniors finished their morning final exam and headed to the gymnasium, May 20.

After picking up their caps and gowns, they walked through the high school halls one last time.

Family members lined the main corridor and waited outside as the sophomores, juniors and teachers waited outside their classrooms to say goodbye.

Congrats Class of 2014!



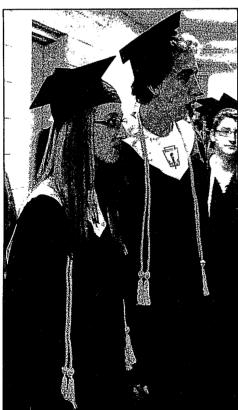
Jademarie Wolf gives a piggyback ride.



From left, Sabrina Fricks, Madison Abraira and Jessica Haden take a selfie.



Morgan Cockerham steps outside the school, no longer a student.



Michelle Rozwadowski and Spencer Miller leave the gym and begin their walk through the halls.



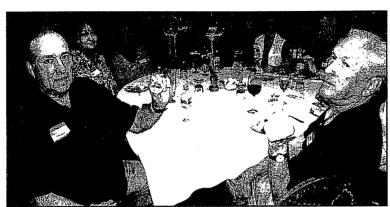
The guys show off their caps and gowns.



Jim McKillop and Scott Allen celebrate.



The seniors leave the high school to awaiting family members. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Eric Haven and retired District Court Judge Gerry McNally hold up a pin in support of a "Yes" vote for the Clarkston-Independence Library. *Photos by Andrea Beaudoin*

Fundraiser for library millage

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Clarkston News Staff Writer

A fundraiser for the Clarkston-Independence District Library was held at Deer Lake Athletic Club on May 13.

Those who attended came out to support the library and the Aug. 5 millage in which voters will cast their vote on if the library stays open or closes.

Here are some of the comments from people at the event who support passing the library millage.

"As we advance into the digital age, the library has roots in the past. Many people go to the library to use the internet because they don't have one at home. I call the library all the time and ask them to find information for me. There is always a friendly voice on the other side of the line that helps me find things even if I really want to get in-depth into a subject. They are there for free help, and I always find out what I need to know. We cannot let this opportunity pass on August 5. We all have to tell everyone we know why it's important to save the library. I applaud the library and all the people who work at the library. We have a jewel in the library, and we can't let it slip away."

-Eric Haven

"Adults need libraries. Kids need libraries. A lot of people go to the library to work. A lot of people need the library."

- Rudie McGrego

"I just read something on Instgram the other day that said 95 percent of libraries think the library is useful. A lot of people don't realize there are a lot of useful databases you can access at the library.."

-Elizabeth McGregor

"There are not just books at the library. They have movies, music, magazines and tons of news sources. They also have meeting rooms so people can have meetings or study."

-Levon Shook

"A lot of tutors use rooms to help students. The library is a nice place to study."

- Kathy Gustafson

"We have been residents of the community for 30 years and all of our kids and grandkids use the library. It would be a shame to break that lineage."

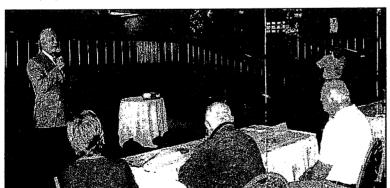
- Larry Shepanek

"From my point of view the library is a great gathering spot. The library also allows you access to all sorts of resources, and it's all under one common place so it makes it much easier to access."

- Stuart Mahler

"I think it's great to have a library in the community. I love books. I love hands on stuff, and I think it's important to read a hard copy book. The library also has a lot of things for kids."

- Pat Shepanek



Library supporter Bart Clark tells the audience what happens if no votes outweigh yes votes in the Aug. 5. election. "The library will close the doors on Aug. 10."

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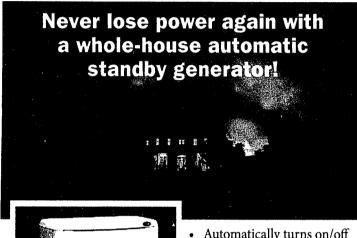
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Clarkston grad learns lots in Costa Rica

BY LAURA DUCHARME

Special to the Clarkston News

Not having a job right out of college can be difficult, but Matt Smokoska made the best of this situation and found a six-month internship in Costa Rica through an organization called Global Vision International (GVI).

After graduating last spring from Oakland University with a degree in biology, the 2008 Clarkston High School graduate decided to get more experience in his field and take this internship opportunity. He had gone on a 10-day field ecology course while in school and loved the biodiversity Costa Rica had to offer.

"I came across GVI's webpage and liked what I saw about what I could get out of the six month internship program in Costa Rica," Smokoska said. "Getting to work with sea turtles, among everything else, seemed amazing.

It also seemed like a great way to get more experience and stand out among other college students looking for jobs. He would be able to use the information he learned in Costa Rica and bring it back to Michigan and use it here.

Smokoska was located in the southern most part of Tortuguero National Park at GVI's Jalova field station. For the last two months of his internship he was stationed in a place called Cloudbridge Nature Reserve. Cloudbridge was in the interior of Costa Rica, while Jalova was on the Caribbean Coast.

He was offered the position of being the resident biologist at Cloudbridge when he expressed his interest. The position was for three months, which extended his time in Costa Rica to nine months.

Days at both locations were full of adventures. At Jalova, his days were spent taking surveys. In the morning he would survey the sea turtle tracks, nest checks (including at night), mini jaguar walks, set up and take downs, monkey surveys, biological assessment surveys and for fun,



Smokoska photographed this Scarlet Macaw from less than 10 feet in a sea grape tree. Photos provided



Matt Smokoska, with a Scarlet Kingsnake, which is not venomous but mimics the coral snake in coloration.

night hikes. Walking five to 10 miles a day wasn't unusual for surveying.

At Cloudbridge, Smokoska worked mostly with birds. He would wake up before sunrise and do a survey up the mountain trails. lasting about three hours. The rest of the day was more relaxed and he would record incidental species, conduct bird point count surveys and conduct night hikes, which they hadn't been doing before he arrived.

Smokoska accomplished many achievements while on this internship.

"At Jalova, a fellow intern named Michael Park and myself found a species of frog commonly referred to as the leaf-breading rain frog," Smokoska said. "It was a known species but it was the first time it had been recorded as a species found in Jalova's species database."

Smokoska also found new amphibians while working at Cloudbridge.

"It's amazing to find things not seen there before, for you get a great reaction out of everybody," Smokoska said.

His favorite memory was setting a record that will most likely never be broken at Jalova.

"Seeing 18 eyelash palm pit-vipers in all five color morphs (brown, yellow, gray, pink and green) on and during the way back from just one survey was my favorite memory," Smokoska said.

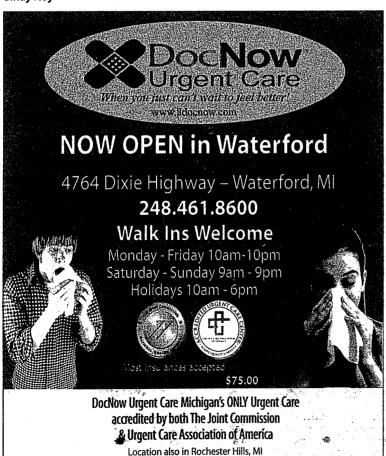
Smokoska is back at his old job but currently looking for a new job in ecology, ornithology and herpetology. Since returning he has wasted no time practicing for his

"With the weather finally turning here in Michigan I have already gone out and photographed many species of salamanders, frogs, birds and some snakes," Smokoska

He would like to stay here in Michigan with his family and friends, but if the opportunity arises be will take a job wherever



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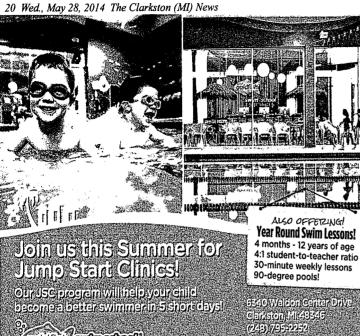
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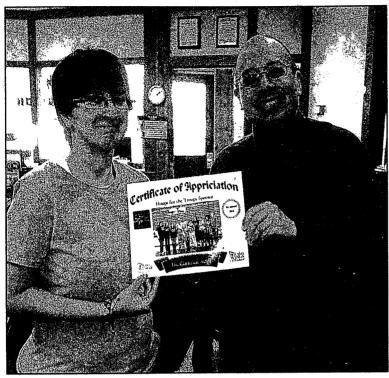
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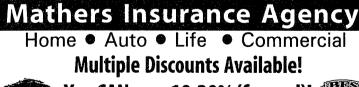
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By Andrea Beaudoin

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From left are Bailey Lake Elementary Student Citizen awardee Garrett Dellinger, with teacher Bob Brazier and Principal Glenn Gualtieri; Eliza Mansour of Springfield Plains Elementary, with Principal Nancy Mahoney and teacher Gloria Lacy; and Kaden Lockwood of North Sashabaw Elementary, with teacher Mitch Phillips and Principal Tara Ouellette. Photo by Phil Custodio

Fifth graders shine as student citizens

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Earning Clarkston Optimist Club's final Student Citizen Awards of the 2014 school year are Garrett Dellinger of Bailey Lake Elementary, North Sashabaw Elementary student Kaden Lockwood, and Eliza Mansour of Springfield Plains Elementary.

"This is my eighth year taking part in this award – this year was different," said Principal BLE Glenn Gualtieri. "I knew who it would be before I got the invitation."

Dellinger, new to Bailey Lake this year, stands out with his compassion for others, Gualtieri said.

"He's mature way beyond his years," the principal said. "He goes out of his way to make a difference for people."

The fifth grader is a leader in the class, and wants to be a Marine like his father or a Navy SEAL, said his teacher, Bob Brazier.

"He's a force for good," Brazier said. "He has a crystal clear purpose, to be best person he can be and learn as much as he can."

He's a risk taker, loves collaboration and group work, decisive yet reflective, curious, and thoughtful, the teacher added.

"My mom and my dad, they taught me everything," said Garrett, son of Stephanie and Matthew Dellinger.

Lockwood perfectly reflects North Sashabaw's leadership focus, said Principal Tara Ouellette.

"Kaden is a natural leader," Ouellette said.
"He brings light into the building with his wonderful sense of humor. Thank you every day for your optimism – it's a gift."

The fifth grader is a positive role model, helps younger students, and can always be counted on, said teacher Mitch Phillips.

"He genuinely cares - friends or

strangers, it doesn't matter," Phillips said.

"It's more fun to be positive and a leader," said Kaden, son of Tina and Mark Lockwood. "It's not what everyone else does. I like to be different."

Mansour maintains a positive and enthusiastic attitude every day, said SPE Principal Nancy Mahoney

"She has a great gratitude for life and everything around her," Mahoney said.

"We are extremely fortunate to have Eliza in our classroom this year," said her teacher Gloria Lacy."She is so very helpful. She notices everything and everyone, includes all peers in activities, and is extremely responsible."

Her teachers and principal also have positive attitudes, said Eliza, daughter of Kelly and George Mansour.

"I always have a great day," the fifth grader said. "It just makes me happier."



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Events

One Cat Away from 61, Clarkston Village Players special production by Rikki Schwartz, 8 p.m., May 30-31, Depot Theatre, 4861 White Lake Road. \$14. 248-575-4104.

Benefit for Courtney, 3 p.m.-12 a.m., May 31, American Legion Hall, 4819 Mary Sue Avenue. Raffles, silent auction, live music to raise money for insurance and multiple sclerosis treatment for Courtney Cronk. \$15. 248-318-1428

Home Tour for Clarkston SCAMP, June 7-8. Patron Night, 5 p.m., June 7, tour and dinner party at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Club. 248-623-8089.

Kids Outdoor Adventure Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., June 7. Drayton Plains Nature Center, Waterford. Free. Activities include air and laser shooting, taxidermy, decoy carving, retriever demonstration, crafts, contests, www.northoaklanddu.org.

Perennial Plant Exchange, 8:30 a.m., June 7, Clarkston Village Parking Lot, Washington and Main. Trade divided and thinned plants with other participants. 248-625-2644.

Clarkston Antique Roadshow, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., June 18, Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Appraisals, \$3 per item, two for \$5.248-625-8231

Derby Party for O.A.T.S., 6-10 p.m., June 21, Birdfeeder and Clarkston Flower Shoppe, 7150 Main Street. Food, silent auction, hat contest, mint juleps. \$80. Carriage rides, \$15. 248-807-2264.

Monday

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

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

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



The Clarkston Farm and Garden Club will be hosting their annual spring plant exchange in the Clarkston Village parking lot, 8:30 a.m., Saturday, June 7. Bring perennials from your garden, divided, put into pots, and labeled with requirements for sun, shade, and water. Every plant you bring can be exchanged for a different variety. For more information, call 248-625-2644.

Buck Shots Bar and Grill, 7048 Gateway Park Drive. 248-880-0027.

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.

Tuesday

Breast Cancer Survivor Group, second Tuesday, 7-9 p.m., 21st Century Oncology, 6770 Dixie Highway. 248-625-3841.

Clarkston Community Band rehearsals, 7-9 p.m., Tuesdays. \$30/semester, free for high school students. Band room, Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane, clarkstonband@gmail.com.

Footsteps to Fitness Walking Program, Tuesdays through Labor Day, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Pedometers, walking maps available.

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.

50+ Pickleball, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., \$3; Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4; Saturdays, 9-11 a.m., \$3. All welcome.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

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

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

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., madefrom-scratch, \$6. 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, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.

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.

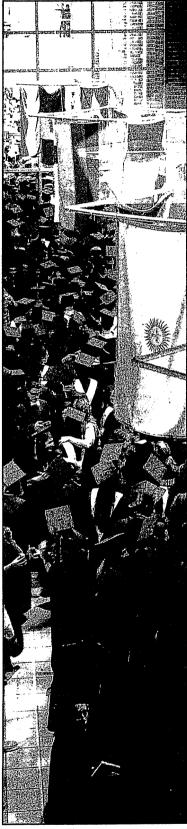
Saturday

Project Kidsight, Clarkston Area Lions Club, second Saturday, 10 a.m. -12 p.m., Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Also at Clintonwood Park as part of Kids Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Photos taken of child's eyes to check for potential vision problems. Immediate results. Free. 248-625-2212, 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.



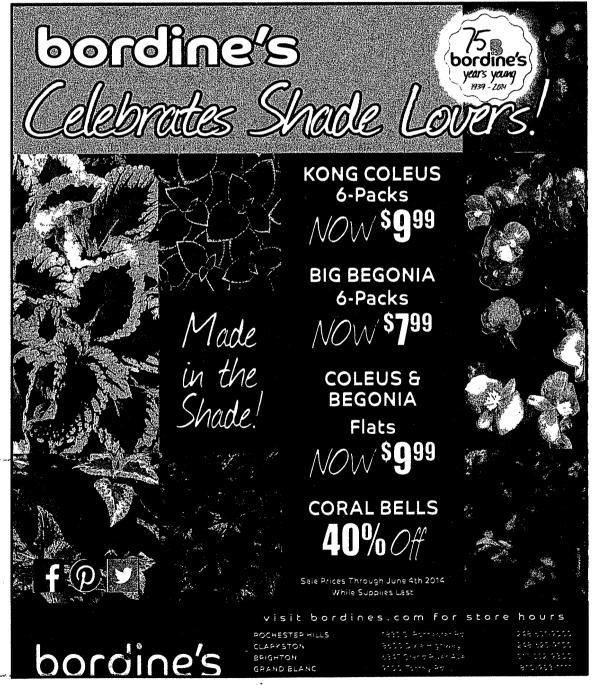




SEA OF BLUE: Clarkston High School seniors walk through the cafeteria corridor during their last walk through the school, May 20. Photo by Wendi Reardon



TENURE FOR TEACHERS: From left, teachers Jonathan Webster, chemistry and physics at Clarkston High School; Kelly Thomas, special education at Early Childhood Center; and Marianne Price, special education at Andersonville Elementary, take the Teacher's Oath at the May 19 school board meeting. The teachers, along with Tara Marchand, special education at Clarkston High, were then granted tenure certification. Photo by Phil Custodio





Kirsten Zalobsky pins the boutonniere on Matt Pasco.



Bret Foltz and Marissa Clancy



Courtney Cox takes a break from photos to swing.



Tyler Sajan and Monica Gorgas

Prom perfect

The dresses were colorful and dazzling while the smiles were bright and sparkling last Wednesday night as Clarkston High School students filled Depot Park.

It was one more stop to meet with friends and have photos taken before going to prom.

The park provided the perfect backdrop for the students before they loaded into the limos for a night of dancing.

The students headed to Penna's of Sterling Heights afterwards, where the prom was held.

Photos by Wendi Reardon



Alyssa Kupper waits for Andrew Murray to put on the corsage.



Depot Park fills quickly with students, friends and family.



Cameron Belcher at the Ring 14 walk, May 4. Photo provided

Success for Walk to Remember

A walk to benefit research for a rare disease called Ring 14 came together perfectly, according to Clarkston resident Belinda Belcher.

Belcher's 13-year-old son, Cameron was diagnosed with the rare chromosome defect known as an "orphan disease" because only 60 people in America have been diagnosed.

The walk went very well, thanks to the support and help from so many," Belcher said of the May 4 fund raiser walk. "What started out as a family, friends and neighborhood walk for Ring 14, turned into around 100 walkers, 21 donated gifts for the raffle and 20 donated pizzas.'

Another walk was held in Florida, both in hopes of raising \$10,000 for Ring14USA.

Belcher said her neighbor, Paul Gill, also

known as "Gator," connected her to the Clarkston's American Legion Post 63.

"He also went out on his own an collected over \$700 in pledges," she said.

The walk went better than she had hoped. Belcher thanked all participants and local businesses for helping.

"American Legion helped by supplying us with crossing guards, the use of their facility, hot dogs, water and pop," she said.

Despite not much time to prepare for the event. Belcher said everything went per-

"We raised \$5,091 to send to Ring 14USA Outreach," she smiled.

For more information about Ring 14, visit www.ring14usa.org.

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You Made a Difference in My Life Day

I absolutely love this time of the year in Michigan. We get to celebrate another winter being behind us, and there are great holidays to enjoy with family; such as Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, and my birthday.

Alright, so my birthday isn't a national holiday, but chances are you were very mindful of Mother's Day at least.

This year I watched as four generations of my family, enjoyed being with one another, great grandparents playing with their great grandkids.

As I was enjoying every minute of watching four generations interact with one another. I began to think about all the various people who have made a difference in my



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I wish there was a special day to recognize the people who have given of themselves and invested into our lives beyond the usual holidays that place people into specific categories.

As I began to reflect even more deeply into the lives of those I truly admire, I began to realize each individual is vastly different from one

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levels, ethnicities, and home lives.

Although, there were many differences among them, there were also some common denominators as well. What they all shared in common was that they all invested a lot of quality time in my life, and displayed to me, love, grace, and forgiveness as needed.

I have learned an important lesson in life you can't give what you don't have. So, I am going to apply that same logic to the people who have had the greatest impact on my life.

In order to love, they must have received love, in order to invest time in someone's life, they need to have time to give, in order to forgive, they must have been forgiven.

The problem with my list was I knew there were some who didn't grow up with love in their

Others had their past, constantly brought up before them, so how were they able to forgive?

I decided I needed answers to my questions and that could only be done by asking the individuals directly themselves, "how can you love after growing up in the home that showed you no love?"

"I am able to love because I have received the love that God gives."

The same type of answer came from a friend who had overcome a troubled past, "I am able to forgive because I understand just how forgiven I am."

I went through the list of the most influential people a second time and recognized they were all individuals who because they had received what they did not deserve from God, known as grace, they were able to extend to others what they might not have deserved too.

James 1:17 says: "every good gift comes from above.'

God doesn't give bad gifts. The kind of stuff God gives; the love, joy, peace, forgiveness, grace, that is found in Him, is what was needed to overcome their lack in that area of their lives.

God had transformed their lives into the people they have become; forgiven people who forgive, loved people who love, healed people who no longer hurt, and who introduce people to the Great Healer of our souls.

I am grateful for the people whom God has redeemed, restored and used as beautiful reflections of His light and His love. So, I am wondering, who are the people who have impacted your life? How can we show our appreciation to them? Maybe we all should rally together and start a new Holiday, a You Made a Difference in My Life Day.

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Charleen F. Frost-Fahrner,86

Charleen F. Frost-Fahrner, "Char," of Waterford, formerly of Clarkston and Show

Low, Ariz., passed away, April 3, 2014, at age 86.

She was the wife of Harry Fahrner, preceded in death by her first husband Jack Frost. She was the mother of Jack Frost and Gary (Hazel) Frost; step-



mother of Marcia (Ben) Hubbard, Mike (Rene) Fahrner, Mary (Tom) Hall and Sharon Fahrner; also survived by 13 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren; sister in law of Don Frost and Leona Hess.

Char was an active member of Living Water Community Church, Ariznoa. She formerly worked at Hickory Farms, Calif., Clarkston United Methodist Church, and was a member of the Clarkston Village Players.

Memorial Service is June 7 at Clarkston United Methodist Church. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Donations may be made to Living Water Community Church, P.O. Box 805, Lakeside, AZ 85929. Online 'guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Karen D. Rose, 75

Karen D. Rose (Allen) of Waterford passed away May 25, 2014, at age 75.

She was preceded in death by her husband Roger. She was the mother of Mike (Debbie) Rose, Dave (Abbey) Rose and Pam (Dennis) Ladd; grandma of Bradley, Anna and Jessica; sister of Skip, Dale, Gary, Kathy and Robyn.



Funeral service, Thursday, 10 a.m., at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston where friends may visit, Wednesday, 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Interment Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

J. Michael Madison, 65

J. Michael Madison of Clarkston passed away suddenly May 24, 2014, while

vacationing Up North with family and friends, at age 65.

He was the husband of Laura; father of Georgia and Anna; brother of Marty (the late Jim) Wilson; uncle of Russell (Theresa) Wilson, Joe (Corey)



Wilson, Thomas and Madalynne Lewis; preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Eileen; son in law of Thomas and Elaine Lewis; brother in law of Lt. Col. Tommy (Christy) Lewis.

Mike was a devoted family man and enjoyed being "Mr. Mom" after retiring from General Motors in 2002. He will be missed tremendously and remembered for his "Mike stories."

Friends may visit at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, Thursday, 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Şervice, Friday, 12 p.m., at Clarkston United Methodist Church. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, any donations to the family will be used for the future education of their daughters or to an organization of your choice. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Marjorie Runkle, 90

Marjorie M. Runkle, "Marge," of Clarkston died May 25, 2014, at 90 years of age.

She was the loving wife of the late Robert; dear mother of Gerry and Larry (Tena) Runkle; grandmother of six; great grandmother of five.

Private service will be held and she will be buried at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Arrangements entrusted to Coats Funeral Home -Waterford. To send a condolence go to www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/Obituaries.

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

More letters to the editor Support for library

Dear Editor.

In today's world of technology and instant information (regardless if correct or not), many people still view the library as basically a warehouse of books—checking out and checking back in.

Sadly these people are not familiar with two of the Clarkston Independence District Library's main missions— service the needs of the community and provide for lifelong learning. One way our library is pursuing these goals is by providing a wide variety of adult programming.

This past year I decided to attend four of the programs.

Privey Historian, Tony Panepucci, shared his historical expertise of glass bottle making, architecture, toys, etc, excavated from former outhouses. He had even excavated a few in the Clarkston area making his talk more relevant.

Pet Psychic with The Reverend Kathleen, looked at pictures of an audience member's pets then proceeded to diagnose illnesses, behavioral problems and such. Whether you believed or not it proved a fascinating and fun evening.

The Spirit Hunter and the Skeptic (science vs. the psychic) presented haunting situations and findings from various areas in Michigan and Colorado.

Finally, the Orphan Train, by Al and Dave Eicher focused on the history of young children given up by their parents in New York City due to the severe financial crisis of the times. They were sent westward on trains. Many ended up in the Detroit area as well as throughout Michigan. In the audience were Clarkston residents who were descendents of these very children.

Other programs held this past year included gardening tips with Bordine's, Michigan rich food and agricultural history, writer workshops, travel logs, tax strategies, understanding medicare, musical groups, face reading, and technology and computer instruction.

Future programs will include Finding Your Dream House, Diego Rivera and the Detroit Industry Mural at the DIA, PGA Golf Instructor Marc White, 100 Best Foods for Seniors, Creating Your Own Tea, Michigan's Mysteries and Oddities, and Family Yoga.

To keep these informative, enlightening, fascinating and fun programs alive, I urge you to vote yes for the library millage on Aug. 5. In our quest for lifelong learning, we are never too old to learn something new.

Marion Barran Independence Township

Send letters to the editor to Clarkstonnews@gmail.com

Thanks for Kids support

Dear Editor,

Our Kids Day in the Park was a great success this year. Attendance keeps going up every year as more people learn about this great event. The grand total of attendees this year was over 2,000 people. Everyone was able to enjoy the great weather with the sun shining the entire day.

A very special thanks you to our event sponsors: Genisys Credit Union, Lil' Peoples' Place, The Learning Experience, Great Lakes Golf & Sports Complex, Premiere Pediatrics and Thirty-One Gifts by Jeni Wise.

Special thanks to the following individuals who donated their time and talents to our Kids Day in the Park: Turtle Toys of Clarkston, Jim Tedder Productions, Michigan Youth Flag Football, Clarkston Coalition for Youth, VFW Post #582, Vision Builders Balloons, Artsy Style, Clarkston Area Mothers and More, Clarkston Independence District Library, Paws for Life, Rainforest Café, Oakland County Sportsman's Club, The Artists Apprentice, Oakland County Sherriff's Department, Clarkston Area Lions Club, Planet Kids, Culvers, Independence Township Fire Department, Planet Kids and Goldfish Swim School.

Without all of their support of everyone listed above we would not have been able to put on this great event for kids and in honor of Ryan Kennedy. We are grateful to everyone for their support.

Sincerely,

Friends of Ryan Kennedy & Independence Twp. Parks & Recreation Seniors

City help appreciated

Dear Editor

The residents of the Clarkston Mills Pond would like to thank City of the Village of Clarkston City Manager Carol Eberhardt for arranging the pick up of our collected debris from the annual pond cleanup by the Clarkston DPW.

Frank Schoebel Riparian rep for Mill Ponds, Clarkston

Library millage

Dear Editor,

Passing of upcoming millage for library is very important to all citizens, a passage of millage will allow a handicap/senior to continue to utilize the valuable/essential service that the library offers.

The services to which, young or old, is an important and tremendous asset to those in our community. Use of reference librarians, request from other libraries for books, handicapped citizens such as me can have books delivered to their home via library and community services. School age children as well as adults benefit from the staff services as well as the library computer services. A yes to library millage is a plus to all Clarkston/Independence Township residents.

Dan Newman Independence Township



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INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:

Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. At Independence Township Hall Meeting Room, 6483 Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston MI, 48347-0069, to con-Waldon Center 2..., sider the following: PC File # 2014-003

Petitioner: Eagle Ridge LLC

Project Name: Eagle Ridge at Morgan Lake Phase 1
PETITIONER REQUESTS SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR PHASE 1 OF THE EAGLE RIDGE AT MORGAN LAKE PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOP-MENT CONSISTING OF 57 SINGLE FAMILY

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Barbara A Pallotta, Clerk

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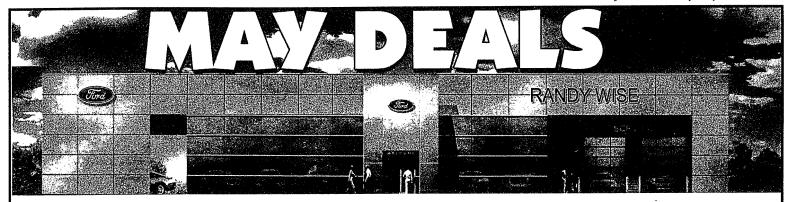


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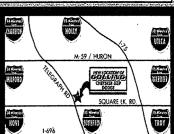
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Students at North Oakland Tech Center North Visual Arts Department designed the Peacefest poster.

Art, music at Peacefest

Peacefest 2014 will feature local artists and musicians, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., June 7-8, at L.A. Cafe and Java, 5815 Dixie Highway.

In its sixth year, the event will feature Motown photographer Jim Hendin, 13 live bands, and four food trucks, and Oakland County Pet Adoption Center will be there with pets looking for homes.

There will be also psychic readings, henna, spray paint tattoos and massage, gourmet dog treats, homemade toffee, sauces, meat rubs and Michigan honey. Artists wares include painted shoes, pottery, dream catchers, handmade clothing, jewelry, rosaries, greeting cards, hola hoops, sculptures, concert posters by Carl Lundgren, as well as from Splatt Gallery, handmade candles, The Birds Nest vintage clothing and accessory trailer, garden art and recycled creations.

The Peacefest will be hosted by Darren and Heidi Graunstadt, L.A. Cafe owners.

Butterfly programs

Monarch Watch Educator Debbie Jackson and Marna Nemon from North Oakland Wild Ones present "Make Way for Monarchs Butterflies," 7-8:30 p.m., May 28, at Wint Nature Center, Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road.

Admission is \$3.

"Wild about Monarchs" will be on June 14, 10-11:30 a.m. Admission is free.

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Hosting a huge Trike A Thon for St. Jude's is just one of the numerous philanthropy projects The Learning Experience participates in during the year. TLE in Clarkston has provided wishes for children in the Make-A-Wish Foundation, donated new children's books to local hospitals, paid bills for cancer patients, and provided food and money to Lighthouse.





Director Stephanie Helms and Owner Pam Rush know how to put on a party! Even though the event was serious business, everyone had a fabulous day! Thank you to all the families and businesses that donated!

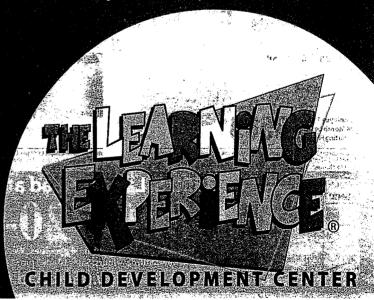
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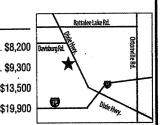
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