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ALL SMILES: The Clarkston Varsity Baseball team celebrates their win over Brighton in the Quarterfinals. Read the story on page 11. *Photo by Larry Wright*



School budget deadline approaches

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

With about two weeks left to approve the 2014-2015 school budget, the Clarkston Board of Education members still have questions.

Board Secretary Craig Hamilton asked if administration could remove a technology staff restructuring from the proposed budget.

"Personnel changes, eliminations, new positions. I'd like to come before the board as separate items," Hamilton said.

The budget includes a new position combining technology director and network administrator, moves two technology support employees to technician positions,

adds a help desk, and reassigns a technology support employee to technology instruction coordinator.

Salary savings compared to the 2013 budget would be \$73,516, with total savings of \$148,214, said Mary Beth Rogers, executive director for business services, at the June 9 school board meeting.

Last year's budget eliminated the salary of the district's director of technology position, which in effect removed the position. Hamilton said the school board should have had a more direct impact on the decision.

"I'm just trying to make a suggestion to
Please see State on page 16

Coffee shop approved

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Though attorneys for the City of Clarkston and "Union Joints" owners Curt Catalo and Ann Stevenson originally disagreed on legal language before the final approval for a coffee shop at 148 N. Main could be granted, the two attorneys agreed on language last week.

The two attorneys came back before the city council on June 16. At the same meeting council approved coffee shop plans.

"Curt and Ann are determined to take the 148 N. Main property and transform it from flower into a bouquet," Clarkston-

based attorney Neil Wallace said during the June 9 city council meeting on behalf of Catalo and Stevenson.

The duo proposed a coffee and deli shop at the bustling corner, but three major issues remain in question including contamination, traffic issues and storm water problems on the property.

Michigan Department Environmental Quality representative Terri Golla said the property is contaminated with petroleum-based contaminants and any type of digging taking place on the site could stir up contamination.

Please see Catalo on page 5

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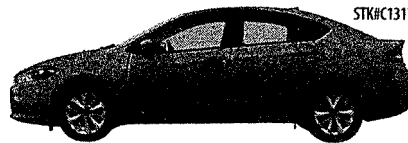


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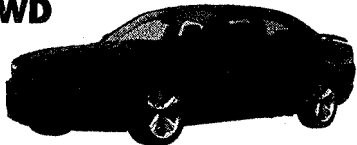
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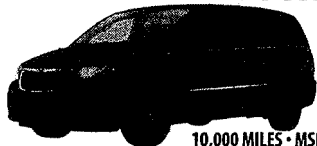
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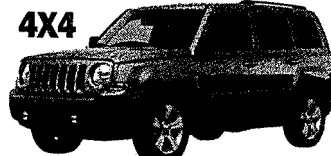
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The Outer Vibe band kicked off the 35th Annual Concerts in the Park on June 13. The free concerts are in Depot Park each Friday to July 18.



The Outer Vibe band goofs around after performing. Photos by Andrea Beaudoin

Music, dancing in park

The Outer Vibe band headlined the first show in Depot Park in downtown Clarkston during Concerts in the Park last week.

During each concert, local talent plays warm-up gigs before headline acts rock the crowd. Each Friday, the headline acts perform from 7-9 p.m.

Concessions, such as Cooks Farm Dairy, is available on site. The series is sponsored by Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce as well as several other area sponsors. For a complete list of bands, or more information visit www.clarkston.org

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Assistant Publisher under fire from Clarkston City Manager

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

During a Clarkston City Council meeting, June 10, Don Rush was blamed for intentionally holding a legal notice from being published.

City Manager Carol Eberhardt claimed the long-time Sherman Publications Assistant Publisher intentionally held a notice which was mandated to be published at least 15 days before a city council meeting May 27.

"Don Rush intentionally held the public notice, and we just can't be having that," said Eberhardt. "There is clearly an issue with *The Clarkston News*. Don did not call for a week. Don had it in his hands for 10 days and he should have picked up the phone."

In response to the accusation, Rush said he did the city a favor when he saw the notice had the wrong date on it and pulled it from the newspaper before it was published with the wrong information.

Rush added he informed city officials they would need to use a daily newspaper to publish the notice to meet time constraints.

"I told them that because I know how im-

portant public notices are," he said. "I would never intentionally cause any problems with legal notices."

Rush on numerous occasions he has reached out to city officials so they would avoid violating the law when it comes to publishing notices.

In March, he reminded city staff numerous times a notice for a Board of Review hearing needed to be published at least 10 days prior to the meeting, which is only held twice a year for residents to protest taxes.

The Clarkston News also wrote a story about the Board of Review issue in the March 5 edition to inform residents the notice was printed in a Feb. 26 edition of *The Oakland Press* among the classifieds, merchandise and personal want ads.

In February, Rush and Sherman Publications Publisher Jim Sherman, Jr. also attended a city council meeting to forewarn how and when the notice legally needed to be published.

Earlier this year, and again at the June 9 city council meeting, Councilwoman Peg Roth asked why the city spent about \$346 with

21st Century Newspapers, the parent company of the *The Oakland Press* rather than with *The Clarkston News*.

Roth said she believes the city council made it clear *The Clarkston News* was to be the first choice when publishing notices because it is a local business.

Rush added legal notices have historically been published in *The Clarkston News* and said when notices are published elsewhere, residents researching issues may have to travel out of Clarkston to review previously published notices.

In March, Councilwoman Sharon Catallo acknowledged *The Clarkston News* should be the first choice when it comes to publishing notices and *The Oakland Press* be used as just a backup.

Eberhardt and City of Clarkston Clerk Sandy Miller have both claimed they have only used the daily newspaper as a back-up.

Roth noted that while \$345 was spent in *The Oakland Press* recently, she did not notice anything printed in *The Clarkston News*.

Eberhardt said she had to do it. "We had to meet a deadline by law," she said.

Briefly

Hearing postponed

A public hearing on a proposed AT&T cell tower next to the Clarkston Junior High School track was postponed last week.

The Independence Township Planning Commission was to host the hearing and site plan review, June 12. The 104-foot-tall tower would require a special land use permit for its location on the south side of Waldon Road, east of Main Street, which is zoned R-1A, Single Family Residential.

The tower would replace an existing light pole at the field, which is also next to Clarkston Elementary School. The lights would be reinstalled on the new tower.

If approved by the planning commission and Township Board, the proposal would then go before Clarkston Board of Education for approval, said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock.

Catallo and Stevenson will control any issues

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Wallace said despite whatever issues are on the property he and his clients are confident they have done everything they need to do, and will be protected in the future.

Wallace added Catallo and Stevenson would take great care of the property and any contaminated soil would be removed with a special

truck and taken to a specially lined dump.

Golla said the property could be deed restricted by mandating no drinking water be used at the location.

Golla added new owners for the property need to get a baseline environmental assessment within 45 days of purchase in order to not be held liable for contamination issue.


Wallace said phase one and phase two of an environmental baseline has already been completed on behalf of his clients.

Wallace acknowledged people often have an adverse reaction when hearing a property is contaminated.

"But the property has been being brought into control for decades," said Wallace.

Correction


In last week's Letter to the Editor "Reader finds a value in library," it was meant to say for neighboring libraries the "cost to purchase a library card, spending on the library and the services the card would afford, would be between \$75 and \$250 a year."



Smile of the Month

Jack Kuczanski
Jack is a junior at Clarkston High School. He plays soccer, basketball and baseball for the school and has a 4.0 GPA.
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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

Hats off to grads

It seems to get harder every year seeing the seniors leave to embark on their newest journey.

You were just starting sixth grade beginning your venture at the middle school when I started at *The Clarkston News*.

It seemed to quick as I watched all of you collect your graduation caps and gowns on your last day of school before you took your final walk through Clarkston High School on May 20.

I hope through the years you learned - you learned through your triumphs but most importantly you learned through your defeats.



I hope you continue to learn and know if you get knocked down to just wipe the dirt off and get right back up.

So what is my gift to you - words.

"Never allow the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game." ~Babe Ruth

If you want to try something, try it. Don't be afraid to do it. You won't know what is going to happen. No one does. But take the chance and see what happens.

Some of the best twists in my life have happened just by taking a leap and not letting fear keep me away from the wonderous possibilities which might be right around the corner.

Be your own inspiration.

Here are a few more words, these are from a few people you might have gotten to know through the years. They were spoken during the Clarkston High School Commencement, June 2.

Dr. Rod Rock, Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent: "You inspire me."

Gary Kaul, Clarkston High School Principal: "Now is the time to continue... You can be whatever you want. Be kind, determined, tough, compassionate..."

Kurt Richardson, Clarkston Wolves Varsity Football Head Coach and Clarkston High School Physical Education teacher: "This truly is a class of champions. The class of 2014 set a new standard. Do three things: remember your roots and remember things you learned; dare to dream and follow those dreams - fear is an illusion; follow your passion and find your niche."

There you go - you have your words. Keep it around and put on a post-it.

Keep us updated - if not, your parents and your grandparents probably will.

Congrats Class of 2014. Now go show the world what you are made of!

Opinion Pages

Letters, columns & Editorials

Thanks to all for "Scraps for Seniors"

Dear Editor,

On May 17, Friends of the Senior Center held their "Scraps for Seniors" which was very successful.

Thank you to volunteers, John Lowell, Mary Lou Schell, Lois Seddon, Donna Miller, Mary Przybycien, John Przybycien, Jake Przybycien and Carolyn Morrison. A special thank you to Dixon Metal Processing,

Clarkston, for volunteering their staff and equipment. Also, to Smith's Disposal for donating dumpsters for the shredding and especially to the community for donating their "Junk Items."

Many thanks to all of you.

*Friends of the Independence Twp.
Senior Adult Activity Center*

Support for Aliaga for state representative

Dear Editor,

We have a truly excellent candidate running for State Representative here in the great 43rd District of Michigan. Yes, even today, there are still a few genuinely honest public servants with old-school integrity, and Independence Trustee Jose Aliaga is one of that dying breed.

A true picture of the American Dream, Jose emigrated here from Peru in 2001, speaking zero English. In just over 10 years, he graduated college, was hired as an educator, and elected to public office.

Jose Aliaga is running for election as our Lansing rep.

While attending University of Michigan, Jose volunteered his services supporting conservative organizations and candidates whose values stood for life, smaller government, Second Amendment, and lower taxes.

In 2008, George W. Bush invited Jose to the White House as a Heritage Month honoree for Hispanic leaders.

As trustee, Jose voted to bring 120 new manufacturing jobs to our district, and voted to improve educational resources, working as liaison between public access TV and

Clarkston High; this also saved over \$50,000.

As trustee, Jose motioned an agenda item actually lowering Clarkston's cable television taxes.

Also, I am a card-carrying Conservative, and I'm not afraid to acknowledge that the GOP needs more intelligent, qualified, and honorable minorities in party leadership if we are going to compete in the 21st century political landscape. I'm endorsing Jose Aliaga for state rep because of his character, successes, and policies; his ethnicity is simply a bonus in my opinion.

The media and culture have been falsely accusing the right of racism and xenophobia; national politicians like Rubio and Cruz, and local legislators like Aliaga, are helping to dispel that vicious slander. And their resourceful conservatism is beginning to win the battle against the well-meaning, but destructive, leftist agenda.

Don't forget to vote in the primary on Aug. 5. I am voting for Clarkston's future, and Michigan's future; I'm voting for Jose Aliaga.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

*Barry Cohn
Clarkston*

Flawlessly organized by volunteers

Dear Editor,

The Clarkston Class of 2014 enjoyed two, uniquely Clarkston traditions thanks to brave adults who responsibly organized and lead the activities with very little expense to the grateful students.

The Senior Picnic at Clintonwood Park, which immediately followed the seniors' last half-day of school, was organized by Kathleen Vondette and her husband Pat. Thanks to Kathleen's planning and donations from the community, the event was offered at no charge to the students.

Andrea Schroeder and her team created a fun filled night immediately following the graduation ceremony at DTE. More than

500 of the 600+ graduates attended.

Keeping costs low and making these complex events appear flawless is the result of hundreds of hours of preparation, foresight and smart decisions.

Of course the events required many volunteers and community donations, but when questions occurred or someone dropped a ball, it was Andrea and Kathleen who picked it up and ran with it.

Leadership is doing what is required regardless of what happens. Hopefully, more people will emulate these two great examples in our midst.

*Cheryl McNeil
Independence Township*

A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 1999

"Headlee causing headaches for schools" The Headlee Amendment was continuing to cause some fiscal concerns within the Clarkston school district. Clarkston Community Schools Director of Business Services Craig Kahler explained despite the value of residential property being on the rise, Proposal A wasn't giving the district its fair share of property value through dollars taxed.

"Why they love being fathers" Fathers have lots of happy memories like tying little ones' shoelaces, or seeing their kids sail off for the first time on a new bike. Fathers throughout the community shared the one thing they enjoy about being a dad in honor of Father's Day.

"Congratulations graduates" The commencement ceremony for the Clarkston High School Class of 1999 marked the final graduating class in the century. But for the 441 seniors it marked the beginning of a new life and new chapter as they journeyed into a new century.

25 years ago - 1989

"CHS alumnus is fatally stabbed" Friends and family were reeling from the brutal stabbing of Patrick Walsh, a 1987 Clarkston High School graduate. He was stabbed June 13 on his way to work. He died two hours later.

"Issues fail" It was wet, rainy and cold for the June school election but 34 percent of voters made their way out to the polls. They voted down a \$64.8 million bond proposal for a new high school and other building improvements. They also voted down the Headlee override which would have allowed the district to levy the 38.83 mills voters approved in the 1988 election.

"Student earns high school credit as a volunteer" Sarah Taylor had special friends waiting two days a week to welcome her to Grovecrest Nursing Home where she served as a volunteer. She explained the experiences at the nursing center were rewarding and she liked cheering people up and taking patients outside for a walk. She was participating through Volunteer Service Program, a new program at Clarkston High School.

50 years ago - 1964

"Second dose of sugar cubes to be given" "Operation Sugar Cube No. 2" was expected to go smoothly with 2.5 million people in the metropolitan Detroit area taking their second dose of anti-polio vaccine.

Optimism still abounds

Our fearless leader is away on vacation. Enjoy classic "Don't Rush Me" from June 16, 2004 until he is back.

"Where's your favorite guy?" Sean, 4, asked me, as he, his older brother Shamus and I watched the horse-drawn funeral hearse on the television screen.

"He's under that American flag," I answered. "In a coffin."

"Your favorite guy is dead," Sean stated flatly.

"Yes," I agreed. "That man's name is Ronald Reagan. He's one of my favorite presidents."

As we watched a few minutes of the somber military procession which carried the 40th President's body to the Rotunda, your stoic scribe smiled. No, not like "Ding, dong, the wicked witch is dead."

Ronald Reagan was the first U.S. President I was privileged to vote for -- something many of my fellow Central Michigan University classmates frowned upon. I remember defending my vote -- I remember defending my president.

I smiled as Reagan's body was carried for the last time through Washington DC, not because he had died (though it was time), rather because I remember what he meant to me. I remember a positive change. I confess my sin -- I swelled with pride that we were American. I well remember the mood of the nation -- or at least our little part of it in Northeast Oakland County -- prior to his election to office.

Let me count the ways . . . the economy was tanking. By the time Reagan took office inflation was rising to over 11 percent. Interest rates were on a steady incline that reached 20 percent at the end of 1981 (the rates then started to decline -- declining bit by bit until the end of the century.) Folks were gloomy. The local auto industry was being beat up by its foreign counterparts. There were too many layoffs.

Americans were still hanging their heads low about being American -- we were only a handful of years removed from Vietnam. Anti-Americanism abroad (nothing new) was no better evidenced than when 70 Americans were taken hostage in 1979 -- that ordeal lasted 444 days.

I remember all these things even though I was just a young lad with big hair and bad clothes (no wonder I could never find a date). I remember the "cowboy" comparisons, the fears of some that if Reagan got into office, nukes would fly. The world would end. Since I liked cowboys, I thought cowboy comparisons were a darned-tootin' good thing.

I remember reading newspapers and watching the debates between him and President Jimmy Carter. I remember feeling good -- the same feeling I had whenever I listened to or watched Reagan from then to his last public communication -- the letter addressing how Alzhiemers was eating away at his mind.

I wasn't alone. Most of the country felt the same way and voted him into office by huge margins. With Reagan at the helm it was okay to be American. With Reagan in charge we knew folks would think twice about hurting us. With Reagan in the White House we knew we all had the chance to succeed.

Whether you agreed with him philosophically, you knew what you were getting. He wanted to hasten the end of communism and restore our faith in ourselves. Talking head pundits, to this day, label him a dunder head, somebody else's puppet. From what I've read this week, those who knew him, even those on the other side of the political spectrum, do not think he was muddled-minded. (I think he was as Bill Clinton is -- you meet him, you can't help but like him, even if you disagree with him.)

I remember the would-be assassin's bullet. I remember the Contras, everything else. I still believe he was one of "us" and not one of "them." I have good thoughts when I think of Ronald Wilson Reagan and I believe hope and optimism are his legacy to America.

I like to think of America as filled with lots of good people. I see and take into account our faults but know, for the most part, Americans will try to do what is right.

I guess I bought it -- hook, line and sinker -- when I heard:

"Let us resolve tonight that young Americans will always . . . find there a city of hope in a country that is free.... And let us resolve they will say of our day and our generation, we did keep the faith with our God, that we did act worthy of ourselves, that we did protect and pass on lovingly that shining city on a hill."

or . . .
 "We are a nation that has a government -- not the other way around. And this makes us special among the nations of the Earth. Our government has no power except that granted it by the people. It is time to check and reverse the growth of government which shows signs of having grown beyond the consent of the governed."

And, I believed he was correct when he said:

"Whatever else history may say about me when I'm gone, I hope it will record that I appealed to your best hopes, not your worst fears...."

"May all of you as Americans never forget your heroic origins, never fail to seek divine guidance and never lose your natural, God-given optimism."

Rest in peace and God-bless you Ronald Reagan.

Comments for the ever niave Mr. Rush can be e-mailed to don@shermanpublications.org

Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

New texting codes

Young people have theirs, now seniors have their own texting codes

- ATD - At the doctor's
- BFF - Best friends funeral
- BTW - Bring the wheelchair
- BYOT - Bring your own teeth
- CBM - Covered by Medicare
- CUATSC - See you at the senior center
- DWI - Driving while incontinent
- FWIW - Forgot where I was
- GGPBL - Gotta Go, pacemaker battery is low
- GHA - Got heartburn again
- HGBM - Had good bowl movement
- LMDO - Laughing my dentures out
- LOL - Living on Lipitor
- OMSG - Oh my! Sorry, gas
- TOT - Texting on toilet
- WAITT - Who am I talking to?

* * *

Why are we cutting benefits for our veterans, no pay raises for our military and cutting our army to a level lower than before WWII, but we are not stopping the payments or benefits to illegal aliens?

* * *

This couple had been married about 50 years, but things were different this night when they went to bed.

The husband started stroking his wife's arm, slowly, up and down. Then

he moved his hand to her leg, and continued stroking slowly.

Jim's Jottings



A column by Jim Sherman, Sr.

He stopped abruptly, and turned over. The wife asked, "Why did you stop?"

He said, "I found the clicker!"

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• What should have a higher priority in Michigan's legislature than roads? Maybe education, but nothing else, but not in Lansing.

The power of lobbyists has seldom been more relevant.

• I bought some batteries, but they weren't included so I had to buy them again.

• When I have a hard time getting to sleep, which happens about every night, I lay still and repeat, "tranquilly" and "serenity" several times.

• I have a couple acres of back yard that is enjoyed by various critters, including two rabbits. I keep wondering if it's always the buck chasing the doe or vice versa. Or ain't they like we humans?

• Thoughts like that come to me when I'm trying to get out of my oft cynical rut.

Angel's Place Race a success

Dear Editor,

The Angels' Place Race Planning Committee wanted to take the opportunity to thank the Clarkston Community for all their support of the 7th Annual Angels' Place Race.

Also, we wanted to extend our deep appreciation for all the sponsors, Village of Clarkston & DPW, Independence Twp., Oakland County Sheriff (Independence Sub-Station), Independence Fire Dept. and St. Daniel Catholic Community.

We had over 370 runners and walkers - the most successful race yet! We are blessed to have all the people in our community make the race such a success and to bring the awareness of developmental disabilities to so many.

Finally, we would like to thank all the volunteers - our success would not be possible without all of you! We are looking forward to next year's race. Please visit our website; www.angelsplacrace.org for ad-

ditional 2014 race results and photos. Thanks so much!

Sincerely,
 2014 Race Planning Committee:
 Doug Brown, Charlie Caine, Rick Clark, Anne Clifton, Dave Cushing, Deanna Donahoo, Jim Lenhardt, Maggie and Paul Maxwell, Sarah Nussbaumer, Tom and Patty Hopcian, Michelle Peterson and Steve Savoie



City has lots of cash

BY ANDREA BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

City of Village of Clarkston has lots of cash in its savings account – almost \$300,000.

One resident said money should be given back to taxpayers, but officials said the money needs to be spent on projects the city postponed for years during economic decline.

City Attorney Tom Ryan said most auditors would say a healthy fund balance for a municipality is around 20 to 25 percent.

“We are three times that high,” remarked Councilman Eric Haven in regards to the city’s 43 percent fund balance.

During a budget presentation City Treasurer Sandra Barlass said there has been no dramatic spending by the city, so the fund balance has been on the rise.

Barlass also said Standard and Poor’s, a financial company that rates the financial soundness of municipalities, recommends a fund balance between 5 to 15 percent.

“I am not sure any other municipalities are at a 40 percent fund balance,” said councilman Mike Sabol. “I have always said we should have as high of fund balance as possible. Higher than normal.”

Clarkston resident and former city council member Richard Bisio said the fund balance is too high, and taxpayers should get some money back.

Bisio suggested city officials cut the millage rate, which is now at 12.81 down by 1 mill.

“I suggest the council reduce the general operating millage for 2014-15 so the projected fund balance after five years is 15 percent. This would allow a millage reduction in 2014-15 of 1.8947, resulting in a total operating millage of 10.9577.1,” Bisio explained.

“This would still allow funding of all the projected one-time expenses for the next five fiscal years and leave a fund balance at the end of those five years of 15 percent, which the budget presentation characterizes as strong.”

City resident Don Frayer said if the city does not cut the rate this year, then perhaps they should consider doing so next year.

Officials have said the city needs to spend some of the money by doing projects, and buying equipment.

A tractor purchase for \$21,800 approved at the June 9 meeting was an expense DPW Foreman Jason Miller said was necessary.

Miller said the tractor always used is 17-years old and had over 3,000 hours of use time on it.

“We use the tractor daily and it really

goes through a workout,” said Miller.

Several officials said other important projects were also put off when the economy was in decline.

“The storm drains, where all the rain-water goes, need to be cleaned,” said Miller. “They have not been cleaned in 10 years, and they should be cleaned every three years.”

He estimates the cost to clean the drains would be about \$58,752 with an additional \$6,800 to replace storm covers throughout the city.

Miller said money could be saved for the storm project if Independence Township DPW loaned the city a truck to do some of the work.

The city can also spend money investing in special lighting to save money in the future.

Councilman David Marsh said he has been involved getting quotes for changing the lighting and estimated cost to change the lights would be \$10,000 to \$13,000.

Street lighting is also another project that needs to be done in the city by replacing the present lights with LED lighting, the city would save money over time.

“We could cut the light bill in half by changing to LED light bulbs,” Carol Eberhardt, city manager, pointed out.

“LED lights have 100,000 life hours,” agreed Miller.

Projects to beautify the city also need to be completed.

Eberhardt said many trees have been cut down over the years because of a large insect problem. Although many trees were cut down, the trees were never replaced.

“The city has not planted a tree in a long time, but we have cut them down. Trees provide a lot from an economic standpoint, and they also help with noise control,” said Eberhardt. “We need to plant trees and do sidewalk repairs.”

These are the types of projects the city needs to start considering for spending out of the fund balance,” she added.

Sabol added it is the right time to also install cameras in Depot Park stop vandalism occurring.

The fund balance is on track to keep rising, Barlass told officials.

“If expenses and revenues stay the same, the fund balance will continue to climb,” she said.

Barlass also explained most of the expenses paid by the city go to police, fire and building services.

“Most of the city’s revenue, 72 percent, comes from local taxes with the rest coming from federal sources and building and grounds permits,” Barlass continued.

City council will approve a final budget later this year.

Budget Highlights Revenues

Total Revenues		2013-14	2014-15
		\$907,075	\$739,967
Tax Revenues			
Tax Revenue Estimated			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$490,678	\$483,758		
License & Permits Revenues			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$46,810	\$34,300		
Federal Revenues			
(Federal grant for new truck in 2013-14 budget year)			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$179,860	\$5,600		
State Revenues			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$74,622	\$82,670		
Revenue Sharing			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$50	\$50		
Charges for Services			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$34,340	\$23,165		
Fines and Forfeitures			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$9,000	\$11,860		
Interests and Rents			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$5,000	\$7,000		
Transfer of money from building, water and sewer to Reserve Fund			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$52,033	\$21,800		
Misc. Revenues			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$8,521	\$17,100		

Expenses

Total Expenses:		2013-14	2014-15
		\$907,075	\$739,967
Police			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$109,820	\$110,245		
Fire			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$132,125	\$131,501		
Building Inspection			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$32,097	\$20,523		
Total Public Safety			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$277,991	\$272,379		
Total Public Works			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$78,242	\$95,829		
City Council			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$10,025	\$10,025		
Clerk			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$9,818	\$15,262		
Audit Fees			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$10,500	\$10,500		
Treasurer including salary and miscellaneous expenses			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$25,186	\$30,202		
Assessing			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$7,635	\$7,603		
Elections			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$1,785	\$3,142		
Building and Grounds			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$138,913	\$126,821		
Legal Fees			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$21,700	\$20,000		
Insurance and Bonds			
2013-14	2014-15		
\$3,211	\$3,344		

The complete proposed 2014-15 budget can be found on the City of the Village of Clarkston web site, villageofclarkston.org

Missing Mayor

Where has the Mayor of the City of the Village of Clarkston gone?

Mayor Joe Luginski has been absent over the past few months and his term is over in Nov. Despite questions asked, *The Clarkston News* received no response from Luginski.

Programs eliminated

Independence Township Parks and Recreation Director Ken Elwert asked the Independence Township Board of Trustees to eliminate the Recreation Division Basketball Program at a board meeting, June 10.

Elwert said although the basketball category covered its direct costs, when full-time staff programming costs are factored in, the program does not come close to its needed cost recovery rate.

"We were aware of challenges in this category from the last service assessment completed in 2012 and we put together a different program model for the 2013-2014 season in an attempt to get this category within range. However, the 2013-2014 model did not work as anticipated and attendance dropped," Elwert said.

Trustees voted to eliminate the program for the 2014-15 season.

Township approves purchasing easements

"Independence Township is in the process of laying out plans for the expansion and improvement of the Waldon and Sashabaw Roads intersection," said Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle.

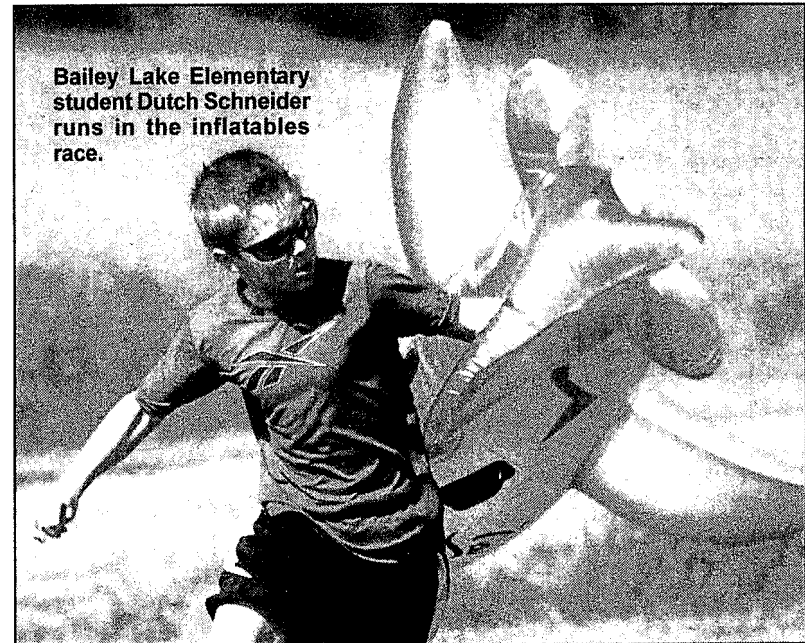
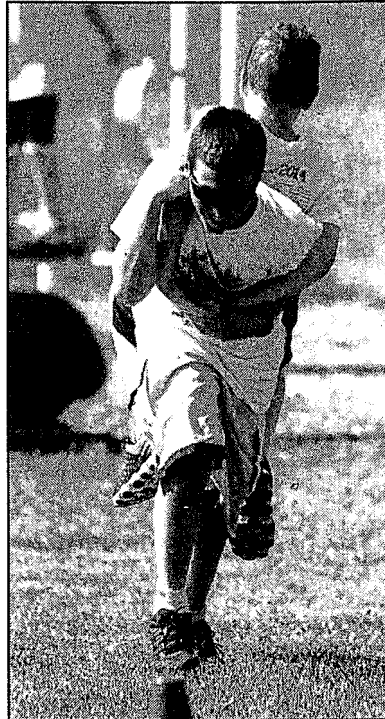
Kittle said purchasing four easement rights in the area is needed to complete road improvements.

He added improvements will occur in the area on I-75 as well as several parcels of property in the area.

The Township's Planning Firm, Hubbel, Roth and Clark has also been working closely with the Road Commission for Oakland County regarding issues in the area.

Kittle said the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Team will ensure any easement issues are resolved amicably.

Trustees approved the purchase of four easements, one which is still being negotiated, at a total cost of \$97,000 to be paid out of an upcoming check run and approved at the next meeting on June 24.



Bailey Lake Elementary student Dutch Schneider runs in the inflatables race.

Bailey Lake Elementary students Brenden Willis and Luc Hetric race against their classmates. Photos by Wendi Reardon

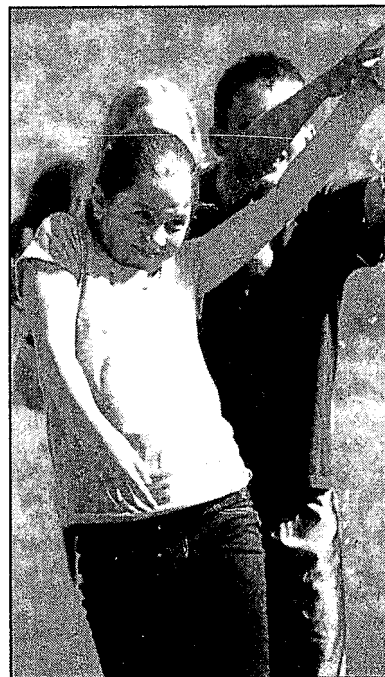
Outdoor fun

Students at Bailey Lake Elementary and North Sashabaw Elementary participated in games and fun activities during their annual field days, May 30.

Have a great summer!



North Sashabaw Elementary student Gracie Rodriguez practices lacrosse swings.



Bailey Lake Elementary student Abigail Walker tries not to get wet as she passes the water filled sponge.



North Sashabaw Elementary student Kaileigh Sisk wraps her friends as a group toilet paper mummy as they race against the boys.

Investigation continues into fatal dog attack

A 10-month-old Springfield Township baby was killed in a dog attack, June 8.

Deputies and Springfield Township paramedics were called to the 8200 block of Tindall in Springfield Township, 11:45 a.m., June 8. According to police, the baby was being held on the couch by a teenage relative when the family dog, a 75-pound Catahoula hound, tried to jump up. The teen pushed the animal down, but it jumped back up and attacked the baby.

The infant was transported to Genesys Regional Medical Center by the Springfield paramedics, then air lifted to Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital by Life Flight, where he was pronounced deceased.

Funeral service for Holden William Garrison was June 13 at Coats Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Investigation continues by Oakland County Forensic Lab and Animal Control.

However, all dog owners should pay attention to possible warning signs from their pets. Dogs see themselves as members of a pack with a hierarchy led by the top dog, even in a human household, said Dr. Lincoln Baylis of Baylis Animal Hospital.

"Some breeds like Labrador and Golden Retrievers generally don't care where they are on the totem pole. They're just happy to be there," Dr. Baylis said. "Other breeds, like German Shepherds and pit bulls, tend to challenge more. They're more interested in where they are on the pole. They want to know their place."

A change in the household, like a new child, can create a problem if the dog thinks it has to assert itself, he said.

The Springfield Township dog also reportedly bit a neighbor on the arm several months ago, which is a big warning sign, the veterinarian said.

Dog owners may not see anything wrong with their family pet, so an outside expert can provide valuable perspective.

"See an animal behaviorist or a trainer," he said. "They can come out to your home, evaluate your dog and make recommendations."

An evaluation can be especially useful before a child enters the home, he said.

"The dog needs to know where it is in the pecking order," he added.

Holden was the beloved son of Jeff and Tiffany; cherished grandson of James and Melinda Garrison, Tina O'Grady, Jack Tarket and Patti Kidd; great grandson of Maria Hayes, William and Penny Nichols, Jack and Linda Porter; nephew of John O'Grady IV, and preceded in death by his uncle Jamie Garrison. Memorials may be made to Baby Holden Memorial Fund c/o First Merit Bank, 9749 Dixie Highway, Clarkston, MI 48348.

— Phil Custodio

Public Safety

For Clarkston and Independence Township

Reckless driving

A male was arrested on May 31 for driving recklessly on Maybee Road. He admitted he was being stupid. His license was expired, as well.

Kicked in door

A door was kicked in on a house under construction on the 10000 block of Cliff View Court. The call was made on June 1 at 5:47 p.m. while someone was looking at houses.

Batteries taken

Fourteen batteries were stolen from work trucks parked in locked lot in the 7000 block of Andersonville Road, June 2.

Phone scam

An Independence Township resident received a cell phone bill for \$140 on an account she didn't set up, June 4.

Stolen mail

On June 5 at 8:39 a.m., a male saw two men in a van take mail from a mailbox, laugh at it, and drive off.

Robbery

Residents on Frankwill Avenue noticed missing jewelry but didn't think much of it until his neighbor said someone tried to break into his house on June 6 at 11:20 a.m. His backdoor was unlocked but no damage was done.

Stolen well

A couple noticed a well and its piping were stolen from the basement of their home, currently being built, on June 6 at 4:39 p.m. Water from the well ruined flooring in the home.

Family issues

On June 6 on 1:39 p.m., a son arrived at his mother's house on the 5000 block N. Marshbank and told his mother not to mess with his younger brother. He then punched his mother and told his brother to go with him. The mother looked out the window and recognized the car they got into as her older daughter's.

Road rage

A 16-year-old Independence Township man was cited for careless driving after a road rage incident on Foster Road at Dixie Highway, 6:51 p.m., June 7. The driver spun out in front of another vehicle, hitting it with rocks. The other driver, a 22-year-old Independence Township man, followed the 16-year-old to get his license plate number, and ended up at the Independence Township substation.

Suspended license

A 23-year-old Warren man made an illegal left turn at Sashabaw and Waldon roads and was stopped, 12:19 p.m., June 6. His driver's license was suspended and he had two warrants for his arrest. He was cited for driving while license suspended and disobeying traffic control device, and advised and released on the warrants.

A 36-year-old White Lake woman was stopped because she had an expired license plate, 1:28 p.m., June 11, at Clarkston and Eston roads. A records check showed a warrant out of Dearborn for a civil infraction and suspended driver's license. She was advised and released on the warrant, and cited for driving with suspended license and expired license plate.

Suspicious circumstances

A resident in the 8000 block of Brookstone Lane found a bobby pin stuck in the door knob lock of a garage door, June 7. Deputies said they would send extra patrols to the area.

Broken window

A male was arrested after breaking a window in his own home on June 7 at 8:53 p.m. on Cramlane Drive when no one would take him when he wanted to leave. His dad stated he is a recovering alcoholic and appeared to be under the influence at the time.

Intoxicated shopper

Employees called police to report a customer, a 57-year-old Independence Township woman, who appeared to be intoxicated and trying to buy more alcohol, 8:28 p.m., June 9, in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway. She was slurring her words, swaying, smelled slightly of booze, and had difficulty answering questions. Her vehicle, in the parking lot, was impounded for safekeeping.

Minor with cigarette

A deputy was investigating a recovered-stolen-bike incident when he noticed several youths standing around with their skateboards, 6:42 p.m., June 9, at Hunters Creek apartments. One of them, a 16-year-old Independence Township boy, was smoking a cigarette. Recognizing him from Clarkston High School, the officer handcuffed the teen and put him in the patrol car, and told the others to leave if they didn't live there. Most of them left. The case was referred to youth assistance.

Frog filched

An 18-inch-tall stone lawn frog with a crown on its head was taken from a River Birch Drive lawn, June 10.

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Independence Television

Coming up this week:

CHS Senior Showcase

Friday, June 20, 6:00pm
Saturday, June 21, 9:00pm
Sunday, June 22, 7:00pm

A presentation of some of the best student-produced videos from the past year.

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'Never gave up' season

BY WENDIREARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Hitters finished their season in the Final Four at McLane Stadium at Michigan State University last Thursday.

They lost the MHSAA Division 1 Baseball State Championship Semifinals with a 6-1 loss against Bay City Western, the defending champion, who ended up winning the crown with a 6-2 win over Grosse Pointe South.

Both teams finished the first inning scoreless before Western scored a total of four runs in the next two innings. They scored one more before Clarkston stopped them from a shutout.

Senior Mitch Smith hit a double to bring in a run at the bottom of the fourth to put the score, 5-1.

"I felt like we got 'wowed' a little bit," said junior DJ Zezula. "We walked out there the first inning and our nerves were just coming out of our bodies.

"We knew Bay City was defending state champs and they would do everything right," he continued. "They would do tricky things to get us off balance. They have been there before and won that game. For us this was new territory - it's no excuse. We just were off balance. We weren't Clarkston Wolves baseball."

Senior Nate Witt also hit a double and pitched for 5.33 innings with one strikeout and 11 hits. Senior Ryan Rea finished the final 1.67 innings with one strikeout.

"Nate, our ace pitcher, was getting knocked around a little bit. We were all in

shock a little bit," Zezula added.

The Wolves made it to the semifinals for the first time since 2002 with a 4-1 win over Brighton in the quarterfinals, June 10.

"We were rolling," Zezula added. "It was just like football - everything was working out. Everyone was doing what they were supposed to do. We played error free. Our defense was stellar. Our pitching was stellar. Our hitting was going long. We were moving along."

Clarkston came out hitting in the first inning with two runs from a double on junior Joe Popp's hit. Senior David Steward was next with a single and one RBI to put the boys into the lead, 3-0.

Steward scored one more run in the fifth inning to put the score 4-1. He was also the winning pitcher with five strikeouts and seven hits in seven innings.

The Wolves finished the season with a 21-13 overall record. Zezula admitted the team started the season a little shaky.

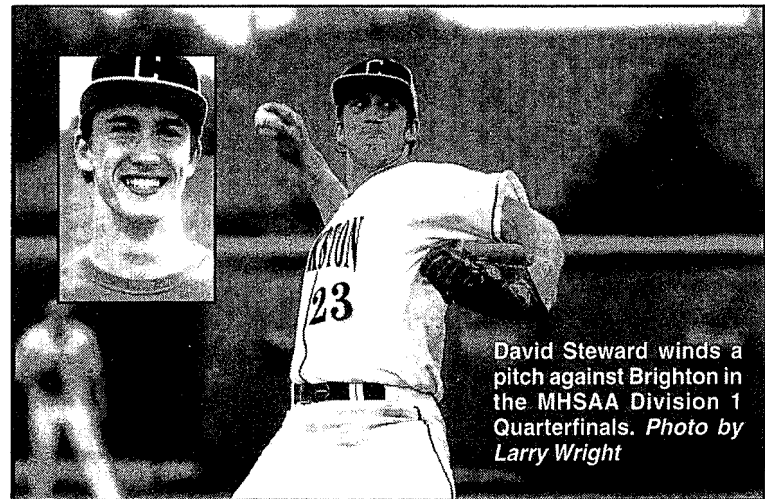
"No one gave up," he pointed out. "That's what I love about Clarkston athletes. We are not content with being mediocre. We are not content with losing. We got together in the middle of the season and said 'guys, we just need to turn this around. We are not happy about losing.'"

Zezula added the turning point was the Flint Tournament, where the boys went 4-0 for the weekend.

He added finishing the season as district and regional champs and making it to the Final

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



David Steward winds a pitch against Brighton in the MHSAA Division 1 Quarterfinals. Photo by Larry Wright

Steward strong

BY WENDIREARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Seven innings and five strikeouts later, David Steward had helped the Clarkston Varsity Baseball team win the MHSAA Division 1 Quarterfinals against Brighton, 4-1, on June 10.

"When David competes on the mound he is awfully tough to beat," said Phil Price, head coach. "He is a power hitter. He is an outstanding baseball player."

He also plays third base and has played on third since he started playing baseball when he was a child.

"One game we needed someone to pitch so I went in to pitch," Steward said. "I ended up liking it. I feel like it is me against the batter. I like that."

He explained his parents got him started in baseball when he was around five-years-old and he has enjoyed it since then.

"I just love it," he said. "I like the teams. I like the people you meet. I just love the sport in general."

Before the boys headed into the post-season to become district and regional

champions, Steward said the season was going pretty good.

"We didn't have too good of a beginning but we are bringing it together," he said on May 22. "We will be good."

And they were - they beat Waterford Kettering and Oxford to win the district title before beating two more teams for the region crown. For the regional games they beat Bloomfield Hills and Lakeland.

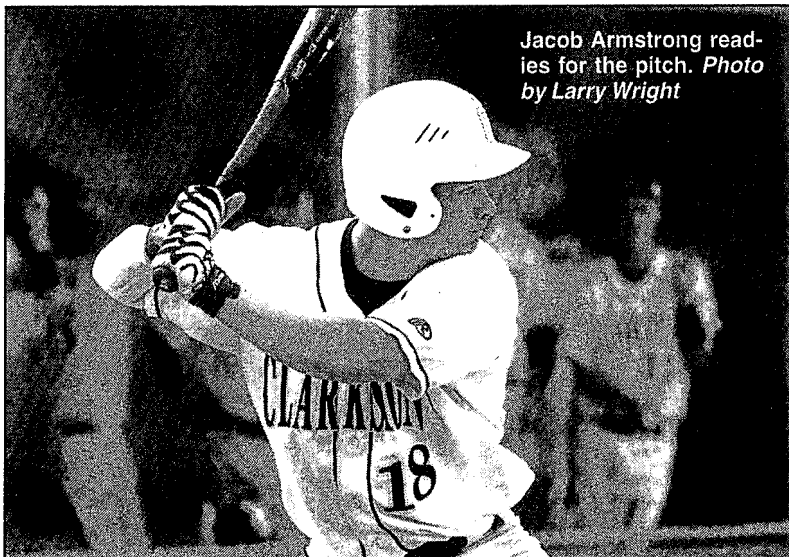
In the 4-1 win over Bloomfield Hills, Steward hit a double.

During the 10-1 win over Lakeland he pitched 6.67 innings and had nine strikeouts and only two hits. At the bat, he hit 1-for-3.

Steward graduated from Clarkston High School on June 2. His next venture is at Adrian College where he plans to continue playing baseball and will study exercise science.

He added he learned a lot from Clarkston Baseball which he can take to college and into life like how to be a team player.

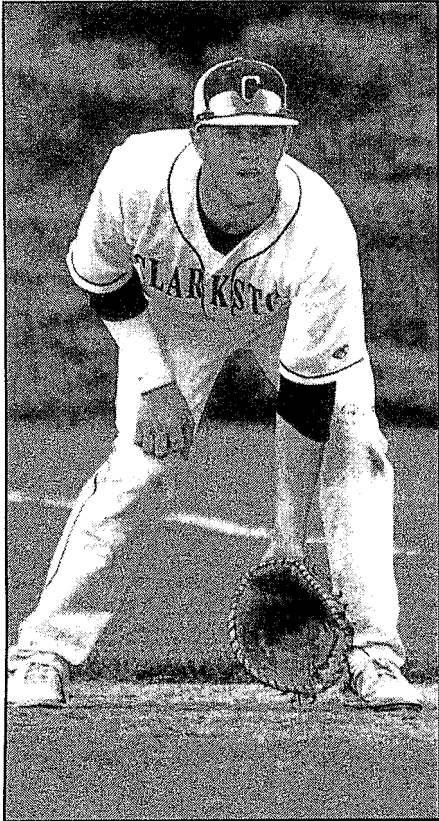
"It's not all about one person," he said. "It's about everyone."



Jacob Armstrong reads for the pitch. Photo by Larry Wright

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Mitch Smith is ready on first base. Photo by Larry Wright

Wolves aim for Final Four return next spring

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Four will help the returners and the newcomers for next spring.

"For the guys returning it will be a lot easier to show the underclassmen how to do it and how to respond in those situations we aren't comfortable like we have been earlier in the past season."

ZeZula pointed out it will also help when they make their goals now they have made it.

"Now that we have been there - let's do it again," he said. "It is easier said than done but if we have been there before we know what it takes. We know how many workouts it takes. We know what we have to do to reach the finals. We will do everything we can to get there."

The team said goodbye to ten seniors - Jacob Armstrong, Adam Klebba, Jacob LaPorte, Nick Morey, Alex Peck, Ryan Rea, Blake Rehahn, Mitch Smith, David Steward and Nate Witt.



Clarkston graduate Nick Tatu and Klint Pleasant. Photo submitted

Tatu becomes a Warrior

Nick Tatu is coming back to Oakland County.

The 2012 Clarkston High School graduate signed with Rochester College on June 10 to continue his basketball and academics at Rochester.

Tatu joins the Warriors after playing two seasons at Trine University in Angola, Ind. Tatu, a 6'0" shooting guard, played in 26 games while averaging over 10 points per game and connected on 39.7 percent from three-point range for the Thunder this past season.

"We're extremely excited to have Nick in our program," said Coach Klint Pleasant. "We liked him out of high school and thought he would be a good fit back then. He comes from a great high school program, was well coached, and learned all the right things - including winning. He's also coming off two good years in college as well."

During the four years with the Clarkston Wolves, he helped the team win three district titles and one regional title. He hit a game-high during his senior season with 47 points and 12 field goals against Troy.

Jose Aliaga

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Dr. James O'Neill

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A. Charles Edwards, Clarkston Resident

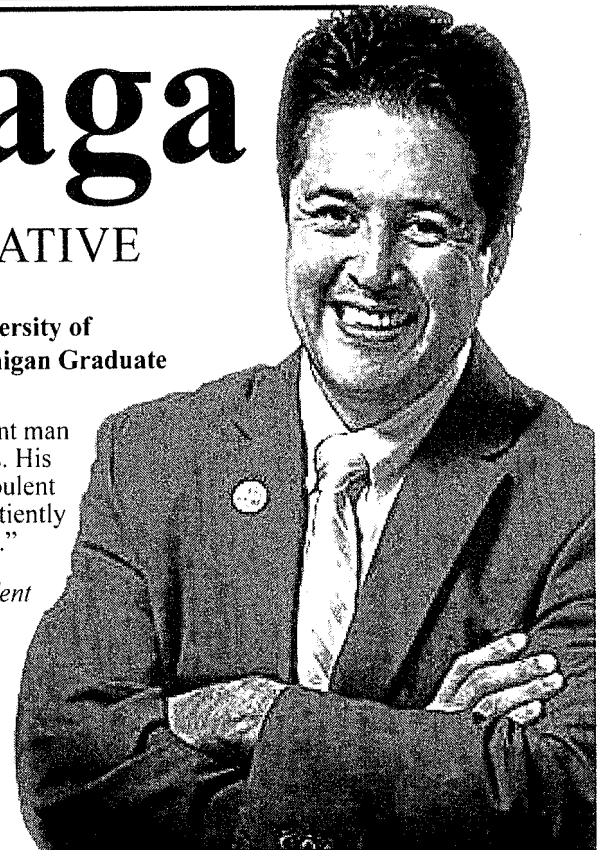
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Kickers end at finals

Ladies from the Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes/Clarkston Everest Collegiate finished their season in the MHSA Division 4 Girls Soccer Finals on Saturday.

They lost to Grandville Christian 2-1 with Claire Lasceski scoring the lone goal.

The ladies defeated Lansing Christian 6-1 to travel to their third consecutive finals game.

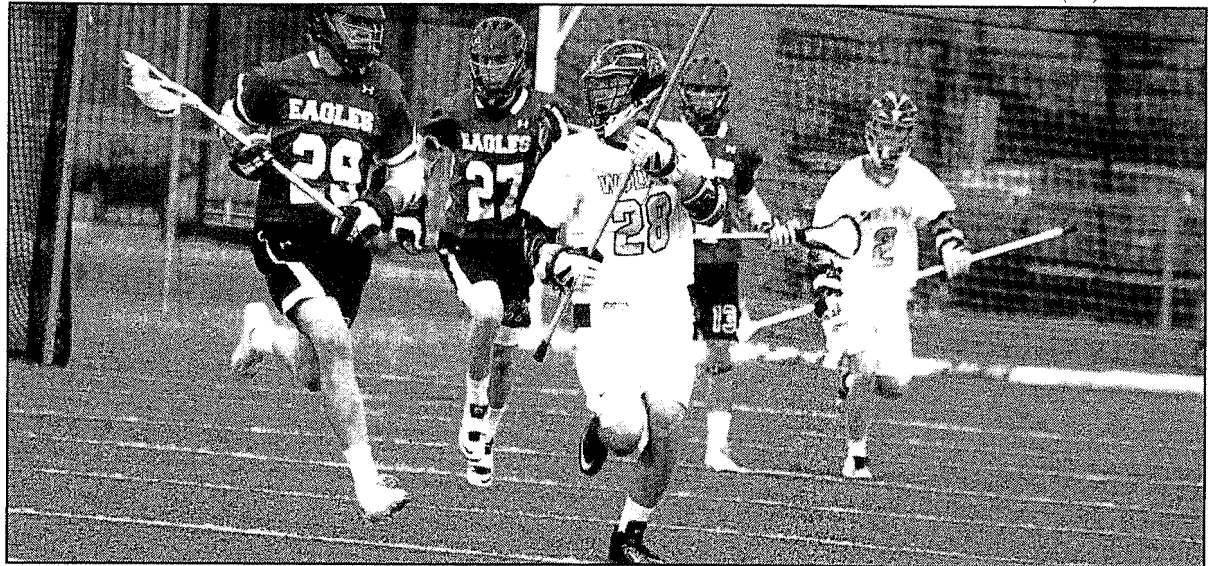
Anna Robb led the team by scoring the first two goals in the game. Alex Troy and Lindsay Straw added two more before Robb put in the fifth goal with 20 minutes left in the game.

Gabby Troy sealed the win with the final goal for the game.

They won the regional title with two shutouts over Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett, 5-0, and Marine City Cardinal Mooney, 8-0.

For goalie Megan Lutinen the two shutouts put her at 13 total for the season.

The Lakers finished the season 18-1-1.



Jason Setting gives Utica Eisenhower a chase in the MHSAA Regional Semifinals. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Lacrosse finishes season at regional playoffs

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves finished their season as they fought for their second regional title with a 18-11 loss against Detroit Catholic Central, May 30.

"At the end of the day we didn't play our game," said Brian Kaminskas, Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach.

The Shamrocks started off the scoring with the first two goals before Clarkston scored with 7:49 remaining in the first quarter with a shot from Austin Egler.

The Wolves tied it up less than two minutes later this time it was off a pass from Egler to Robert Hall.

Keaton Mitchell broke the tie with his shot with less than four minutes to go from an assist from Conner Dziewit. Dziewit and Mitchell attempted again to score but the shot went over the net.

The Wolves struck again when the ball slipped out of the Shamrocks' possession. Connor Ward scooped up the loose ball to take a shot on goal, scoring with 2:34 remaining in the first quarter.

Both teams scored a combination of two goals in the final 90 seconds to end the quarter, 5-3.

The Shamrocks went on a scoring frenzy for the next 18 minutes to lead the game 11-5 before Clarkston scored again with 4:48 left in the third quarter off a goal from Gaven Bertram.

"We went up and down the field for about 18 minutes," said Kaminskas. "They didn't play any offense. We just kept playing a bad shot and rushing on offense. It bit us. If you don't play a lot of offense, you won't get a lot of shots."

He added, "it turned into a transition game you usually enjoy playing but we just weren't on. It just wasn't our night. Unfortunately that

happens in a regional championship game."

The remaining goals came from Bertram and Cole Phillips with two each. Hall and Reid Kaminski scored one each.

"They were prepared for our Connor twins," Kaminskas added. "They were a little more aggressive defensively which threw our guys off. Offensively they were more courageous from the first time we played them."

The win over Utica Eisenhower sent the boys to the finals for the third consecutive year. Ward led in the 12-6 victory with four goals. Kaminski and Mitchell scored three goals each.

"We are excited we are going back to the finals," Kaminskas said after the game. "It's been circled on our calendar. It is against DCC which was the first game. We thought it was a good first game. We have been watching them all season. We are happy where we are at. We talked to the boys. It wasn't our best game we have played all year but we did what we needed to do."

The boys finished the season with an overall 17-3 and OAA Red league champs.

"The season was good," Kaminskas said. "We are back - we defended for the regional championship which is something we wanted to do. Next year we want to be back here again to win it. I am very happy with them. We said it before for these guys, it's an old quote 'you stand on the shoulders of those who come before us' and they did. They were right back where they wanted to be. We fell a little short and ran out of time. We will move on."

The team lost 11 seniors - Scott Allen, Gaven Bertram, Conner Dziewit, Robert Hall, Jake Hendricks, Reid Kaminski, Ethan Kurolovich, Jim McKillop, Cooper Parks, Connor Ward and Nick Werner.

Kaminskas added this year's senior class left behind a great legacy.

"Last year was the year we were supposed to win it all and then we would have nothing left in the cupboard," he explained. "We weren't going to pull out any wins this year. But these guys came out and pulled out 17 games in the regular season. It is harder every year to replace. It is a great group of guys."

The finish in the regional playoffs will help the boys as they prepare for next year.

"The older guys recognized these younger guys are not ready for this level," Kaminskas said. "But they have to realize it is just a ball game at the end of the day. It doesn't matter who you are playing and what is at stake."

He added the support of former players from the program also helps - not just for next season but future seasons.

"We came out of huddle after the game and we have 15 guys behind us," he added. "When you have guys like that just keep coming back, when they are coming back that's how you get 50 wins in three seasons. This is all based on the community they are a part of and developing."



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STOP WITH SUPERINTENDENT: Though Clarkston Varsity Baseball ended their season with a defeat to Bay City Westen at Michigan State University, senior Alex Peck was smiling when Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock

took a photo with him. "He has always been there to support our boys," said parent Thais Peck. "I remember him shedding tears when my older son Dylan Peck won districts in 2011. He's always there supporting our teams." *Photo submitted*

Camps for learning and fun

Girls looking to learn fundamentals of basketball, improve shots, or want to have fun - join **Dare to Dream Basketball Camp**, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 18-20 for girls entering grades 3-9 for the cost of \$110.

Clarkston 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 Coach Wasilk at tlwasilk@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Work on your ball skills during a summer baseball clinic with Clarkston High School Head Coach Phil Price, his coaching staff and varsity players.

Baseball Camp for Beginner to Intermediate level is for ages 7-14, June 23-26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for \$152.

The clinic focuses on the fundamentals of the game including throwing, catching, fielding, base running and rules of the game.

Clarkston Track & Field Camp is open to kids entering fourth through ninth grade and 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. Each day is filled with age appropriate skills, running and field games, demonstrations, competitions, and awards.

The cost for the camp is \$95. For more information, please call Clarkston Community Education at 248-623-4326.

Spots are still open for fun summer camps. **Fife Camp** is July 14-18 and is open to boys entering grades 7-9 in the fall.

From 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Friday, you will stretch, build skills and participate in contests and games. The cost is \$260 and participants need to bring a sack lunch, basketball equipment and a work hard attitude.

The camp is coached by Dan Fife and his Clarkston High School Basketball staff. It is open to the first 104 applicants.

For boys entering grades 4-6 is **Fife Fundamentals Basketball Camp**.

From shooting to defense, campers will learn the fundamentals of the game from Coach Fife and his coaching staff.

The camp is July 7-10, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. The cost is \$160.

Clarkston Wolves Football Camp is July 28-31, for boys entering fourth through ninth grade in the fall, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Future bright for Clarkston grad

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

When Helen Basberg of Springfield Township read the June 4 front page story "Top Scholars honored for hard work at high school" in *The Clarkston News* she thought it should have one more name – Daniel Olsabeck.

"He deserves applause too – this is a really cool guy," said Basberg, who hired the Clarkston High School graduate to work over the summer at her farm, Green Acres. "He's going to serve his country. I take my hat off to him."

Olsabeck enlisted in the Marine Corps last September and heads to Boot Camp, Aug. 25.

"I decided to join up last year to serve my country. I looked at the Army and Marines and decided the Marines fit me better," he said.

His enlistment is for four years active duty and two years reserves, but he wants to serve a full 20 years and get a college degree along the way. He'll specialize in intelligence, gathering information on enemy forces and predicting what they'll do.

"There a lot of career possibilities after that, with the security clearance and skill

set," he said.

High school teacher Kevin Smith helped him get the Green Acres job.

"He said to check it out, and it sounded good," Olsabeck said.

"I'm working as a farm hand and learning a lot. I love it here, working outside."

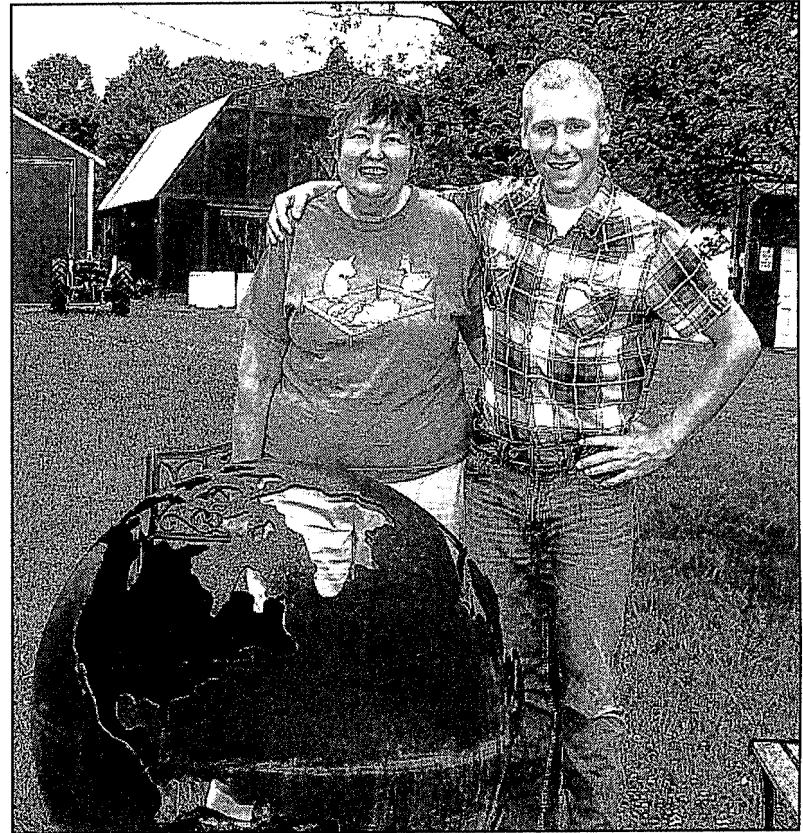
Several teachers at Clarkston High helped make him successful.

"There are a lot of cool teachers there," he said. "They all love working with students. Danielle Fuller had a lot of speakers from the military, and a military history club. She was one of my favorite teachers. Mr. Smith could relate to everybody he talks to. Greg Warner is one of nicest people I've ever met. He could explain just about anything."

He was born in Michigan and lived in Virginia before moving to Clarkston three years ago.

He graduated with the support of his mom, Donna Tolbert, married to Dave; his dad Larry Olsabeck, married to Susan; his brother, Tyler Tolbert; his girlfriend Alexandria McLellan; and his church, Lake Crest Baptist, Waterford.

"It's uplifting – there's never a sad soul in there," he said.



Helen Basberg is a fan of Clarkston High School graduate Daniel Olsabeck. Photo by Phil Custodio

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Library makes summer reading an adventure

BY LAURA DUCHARME

Special to the Clarkston News

When summer approaches - reading is the last thing many students think about.

The Clarkston Independent District Library is trying to change that by getting people to keep reading all summer with various activities.

The program begins with the Imagine That Teen Art Show this Friday.

This is the sixth year for the art show. There are usually about 70 entries and they are expecting the same this year. The show takes place from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Next, is the Summer Reading Kick Off on June 23, 6 - 8 p.m. This is the chance for students to sign up for the summer reading program. There is face painting, popcorn and the Oakland Country Parks will be there with retro games to play. The Clarkston Area Women's Club is a sponsor of the event.

The Summer Reading Program is a great way to get everyone, students and adults,

to continue reading even when school is not in session.

By filling out a reading log and turning it in every week the students get a chance to receive a slip to guess how many objects are in a jar to win a prize. Every student who turns in at least five slips during the eight week program receives a free book.

"It's an incentive to get them to read," said Keegan Sulecki, the head of technology services at the library. "It gives students an opportunity to be social with their reading."

The Summer Reading Program is split up by age group. The theme for the children's program is "Fizz, Boom, Read" and there are events for everyone to attend.

Aris-Toddlers Story Hour will take place

every Thursday and is for children from birth to 23 months. With a caregiver, the children are able to hear interactive stories, including rhymes and sensory activities.

There are events every Wednesday for children ages 2-4 years old. The event is called Isaac's Inventors. With a caregiver, the children are able to participate in different activities, including games and crafts.

Curie's Creators is for children in Kindergarten through second grade. Every Tuesday the children get

to participate in different activities and experiments.

DaVinci's Dynamos is available for children in grades third through fifth. Every Thursday kids make crafts and participate in experiments and activities, including how

to grow crystals.

Spark a Reaction is the theme for children in grades sixth through 12th. By registering beforehand, the children will get to participate in experiments every Wednesday. There is even a Dr. Who party for fans of the television show.

Events are plentiful for adults to enjoy too beginning with bingo night on June 24. Participants get a bingo sheet and when they complete a row they can turn it in to be entered into a drawing.

There is another event for adults called "Experiment with a Book." Books will be wrapped in black paper with clues on them to give an idea on what the book is about.

All of these events are to help promote reading and learning when school is out.

"There is a backside when school is out," Sulecki said.

For full details on the events, more information is available on the library's website, www.indelib.org.



Keegan Sulecki

State proposes \$110 more per pupil for 2014-2015

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make it easier and more comfortable moving forward," the secretary said. "I'd be more comfortable if we were doing this separately."

Rock said he appreciated the suggestion.

Board President Rosalie Lieblang said the technology director position may need to be restored.

"The combined position concerns me," she said.

A pending technology report could clarify the staffing situation, and could be addressed in a budget amendment, Lieblang added.

Rock said recommendations were based on an analysis of needs.

"We're working as hard as we can to be efficient," Rock said. "This is our recommendation based on external agency and ourselves. I don't recommend waiting. We need a permanent plan to move forward.

This is our best thinking."

They could get a different perspective, though, he added.

Board Vice President Susan Boatman wants to clarify the process, before moving forward with it.

"We want to know where the money is going and if it's a good thing to put in the budget. We may need to put more in," Boatman said. "But to hire someone next week, we really haven't approved it yet."

The board was not asked to approve positions or salaries, said Trustee Cheryl McGinnis.

"This is a proposed budget. I respect the desire for more information," McGinnis added. "I can support this recommendation for a department doing a great job with a department half full."

Board Trustee Steve Hyer said the recommendation from administration makes

perfect sense.

"We're talking about a small dollar amount to increase efficiency," Hyer said.

The budget also adds half a full-time equivalency centralized enrollment and shared services position, with a \$56,100 salary, covered by shared services revenue; and adds a year-round front receptionist, \$16,400.

The total 2015 budget has \$76.5 million in revenue and \$75.7 million in spending, including a revenue increase of \$252,000 from Oakland Intermediate School District for special education; \$90,798 more in federal IDEA funding; and \$250,000 more in shared service revenue. The governor has proposed \$110 more per student, which would mean \$880,000 more for Clarkston, but an anticipated loss of 70 students would mean a loss of \$500,000. The budget also includes \$78,000 less in special education funding from

the state; \$200,000 less in At Risk carry over and deferred revenue; and \$515,000 in savings from employee furlough days.

Speaking during public comment, Clarkston Education Association President Brooke Davis disputed the term "furlough."

"That gives the wrong impression, that we don't go to work on those days," Davis said. "We do go to work. They did not reduce the days, just reduced pay. I'd rather you call it something else, like 'unpaid work day.'"

Fund balance would increase from \$4.8 million to \$6.05 million, 7.99 percent of expenditures. About \$3.27 million is committed to critical needs and other programs to be determined by the school board.

Clarkston's budget must be approved by the end of the month. The school board meets at 7 p.m., June 23, at the administration building, 6389 Clarkston Road.

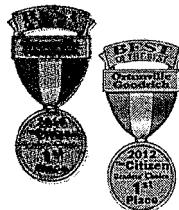
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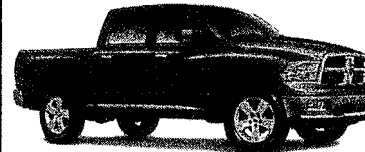
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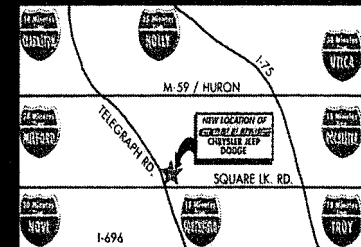
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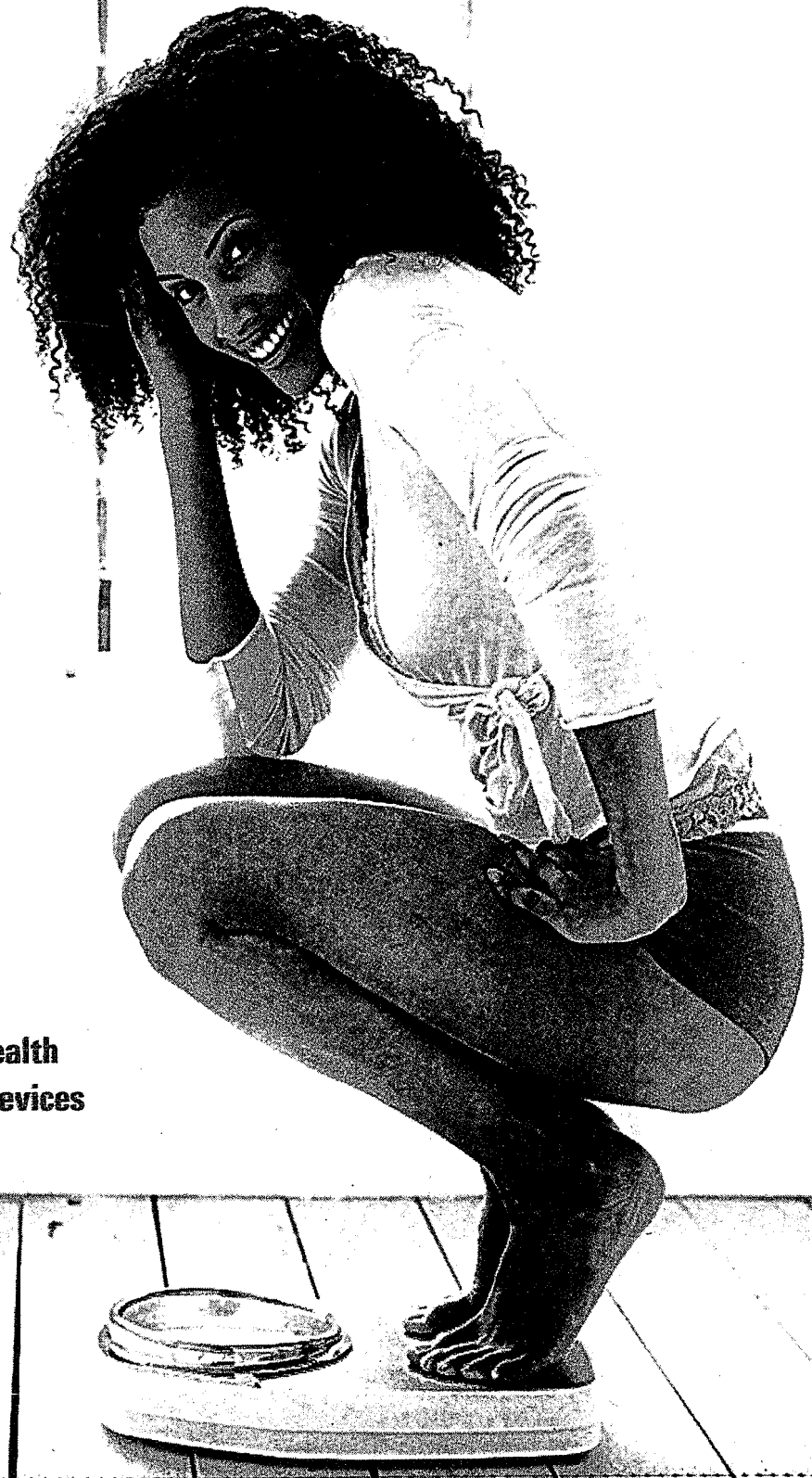
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Got 'D?' And, do you know your number?

By **Cindy Crandell, R.N., C.N.**
Functional Medicine Nutritionist, Lifestyle Educator

Most people know their Cholesterol numbers, but when you ask them what their vitamin D level is I am amazed at how many people do not know this number it is just as important as your cholesterol level.

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blocks your ability to absorb Vitamin D; I recommend 20 minutes of sun exposure before applying sunscreen for adults and 10 minutes for children.

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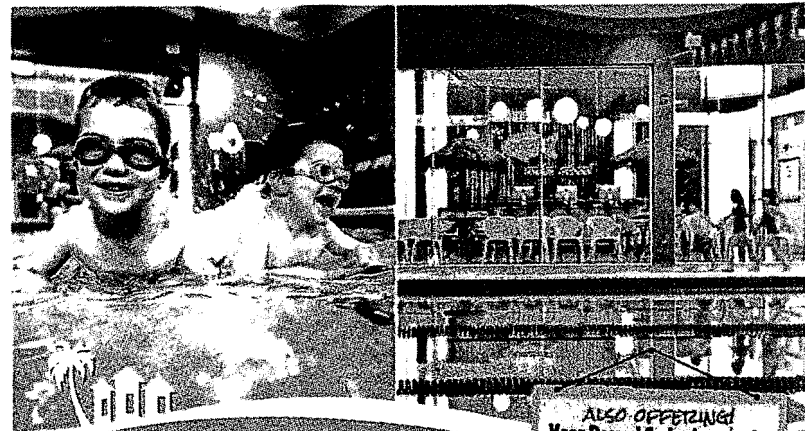
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Some of us are so daunted, we simply avoid dentists altogether. This is not a smart strategy.

According to the federal government's "Healthy People 2020" program, studies link poor oral health to chronic diseases, including diabetes, heart disease and stroke. Regular visits to the dentist play a significant role in preventing these conditions.

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- **Ongoing Education and Training:** For many decades, the skills needed by dentists and other dental professionals remained pretty much the same. This isn't true today. Over the past ten years, advances in clinical and administrative technology mean dentists and their staffs need to regularly update their skills to meet

the needs and expectations of the industry and their patients.

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- **Clean and Modern Office:** Most people believe restaurant restrooms are good indicators of kitchen cleanliness. The same might be said for the dentist's office. If the surroundings are clean and modern, and the magazines current, chances are good the same can be said for the equipment and care.

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The correct way to adjust assistive walking devices

By Kathy Gildner

While at a family gathering I noticed my great-aunt using a cane that was noticeably too tall for her and it was obvious she had not received the correct instruction for its use. Since one of my pet peeves as a physical therapist



Kathy Gildner

is watching people use equipment incorrectly, I offered my help. She was thankful and explained the cane had been saved through two generations and was her grandmother's. She started using it on her daughter's advice due to neuropathy and unsteadiness but without consulting a medical professional.

I adjusted the cane to her height and taught her use it correctly.

Many assistive devices are purchased second hand, borrowed or donated by well-meaning family and friends. Canes, walkers, and crutches that have not been adjusted for one's height and if the user has not received proper instruction could pose a safety hazard, cause falls or physical discomfort instead of increasing stability when walking. For these reasons, it's important to consult a medical professional skilled in recommending the correct device based on balance deficiencies, strength, height, endurance and judgment.

There are two types of assistive devices (walkers): with or without wheels. Wheeled varieties are most common since they do not need to be lifted to ad-

vance forward motion and are good for those with breathing difficulties, such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or asthma. Canes, of many varieties, are used for minimal instability. Crutches are useful following a leg injury and require good balance and coordination.

Canes and Walkers

The correct height of the cane or walker is with the handle at the wrist crease when arms are relaxed at your sides. This gives a slight bend in the elbow when gripping the walker.

Crutches

Crutches have adjustments both under the arm and at the hand grip. Correct height from the top of the crutch is two inches (or two fingers width) below the armpit. There should be approximately 20-30 degrees elbow bend when holding the handle. Crutches too tall can damage nerves or vessels.

Safety issues are a concern when using an assistive device without consultation from a skilled clinician. Rubber tips

could be worn or damaged leading to slippage. Hardware supporting the structure could be loosened or not working properly. I have seen duct tape used to replace worn tips or wrapped around damaged hand grips! (Duct tape may be the go-to cure for many things but repairing a device used for balance problems is not one of them.)

Consulting a medical professional before purchasing or using an assistive device for walking is important to ensure it will be used safely and that it is fitted correctly. Walking paths should be free from tripping hazards like wiring or clutter. Throw rugs should be removed. Stairs can be a barrier when using a mobility device and receiving proper instruction can help prevent falls. Contact your physician for a referral to a physical therapist.

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Your pediatrician will see your child many times from birth to age 2 and annually from age 2 to age 5 for "well-child visits." After age 5, your pediatrician will likely continue to see your child every year for annual checkups. Your pediatrician is also the first person to call whenever your child is sick. In caring for your child, a pediatrician will:

- Do physical exams
- Give your child recommended immunizations
- Make sure your child is meeting developmental milestones on growth, behavior, and skills
- Diagnose and treat your child's illnesses, infections, injuries, and other health problems
- Give you information about your child's health, safety, nutrition, and fitness needs
- Answer your questions about your child's growth and development
- Refer and collaborate with specialists should your child need care beyond the pediatrician's expertise

Family physicians can also provide routine care for children. Choosing between a family doctor and a pediatrician can be a personal preference. Here are some reasons to consider choosing a pediatrician:

- Pediatricians have specialized training in physical, emotional, and behavioral needs of children.
- Pediatricians only see children, so they often have a broader experience recognizing and treating childhood illnesses.
- If your child was born early or has a health condition that needs close monitoring, a pediatrician may offer more specialized care.



Burning Questions: What you need to know about sun and your skin

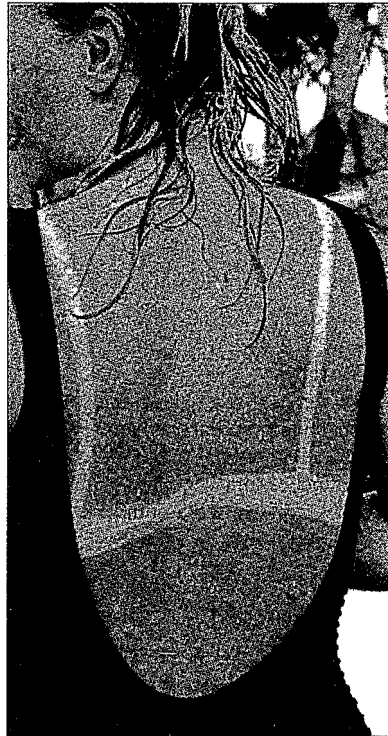
By Tresa Erickson

Doesn't it feel great to be out in the summer sunshine? But the feeling you get when too much sunshine leads to sunburn—that's not so great. Use the following handy tips to keep your skin from seeing red.

First things first: Obviously, the best way to handle sunburn is to avoid getting it in the first place. Be smart when you go out in the sun. Wear long-sleeved shirts and broad-rimmed hats to protect your skin from the sun's glare. Seek out shady places to relax and play, especially during the hours between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when the sun's rays are strongest. Don't assume a cloudy sky is the same thing as shade: Studies show that as much as 80 percent of the sun's skin-damaging ultraviolet rays can pass through clouds. And when in doubt, wear sunscreen.

A stroll down the aisle of your local drugstore will show the word "sunscreen" encompasses an awful lot of choices these days. Which kind is right for you? In general, medical professionals suggest using at least an SPF 15 sunscreen that blocks both ultraviolet A (UVA) and ultraviolet B (UVB) rays, and many dermatologists recommend sticking with one with SPF 30 or higher. Certainly, the very young and very old, whose skin tend to be more sensitive to sunlight, should use an SPF 30 sunscreen or higher.

"Fine," you say, "but what the heck is SPF?" The letters stand for "sun protection factor," and the number represents how much longer a person can stay in the sun without being burned than they normally could. So if you're a fair-skinned person who would normally start burn-



ing after 10 minutes in strong sun, a properly applied SPF 2 sunscreen would allow you to spend 20 minutes in strong sun before burning. An SPF 30 sunscreen would allow you to spend 300 minutes—five hours—in strong sunlight without burning. But that's only if it's applied properly.

You need a good, thick coat that covers all exposed body parts, including frequently forgotten spots like the tips of the ears and the tops of your feet. (Don't forget your lips! Lots of chapsticks contain sunscreen these days.) And no sun-

screen lasts forever; in general, you should re-apply it at least every two hours, more if you're physically active, sweating or spending time in the water. Even sunscreens labeled "waterproof" or "water-resistant" can lose their effectiveness after 40 minutes of swimming.

Always apply sunscreen before you go out into the sun. Remember, by the time you feel sunburned, it's too late—chances are, it's going to feel a lot worse in the next 24 hours. If you do wind up sunburned, the only true cure is time. Most sunburns will heal within a few days, and while you can't erase their pain, you can minimize it. Apply cool compresses to the affected areas.

Taking cool baths can also help relieve a sunburn's sting, as can over-the-counter anti-inflammatories like aspirin or ibuprofen.

It's a good idea to keep the skin moisturized. Regular lotion is fine, but one that includes soothing ingredients like aloe or calamine may provide additional respite

from the pain. A low-dose (1 percent or less) hydrocortisone cream may help speed healing and prevent infection. Drink plenty of water -- sun exposure can make your dehydrated.

Some creams and lotions claim to relieve sunburn pain by including pain-killing "-caine" ingredients (benzocaine is the most common). Many dermatologists recommend avoiding these products, as they can sometimes irritate the skin further or cause an allergic reaction.

A bad sunburn will cause your skin to peel, which is just your body's way of healing. A really bad sunburn will create painful blisters. Try not to break these, as this can spread infection. If you're experiencing a lot of blisters over a large proportion of your body—and especially if this is accompanied by a severe fever, headache or nausea—seek medical help immediately. These could be the signs of a second-degree burn, which is a serious problem.

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-Madeline Dishon



"Yes I have noticed the prices have gone up a little. I think it is because of shipping costs. On Amazon they raised the "Prime" or the cost of shipping was if you joined. At first shipping costs were just \$40. The cost doubled to \$80."

-David Donnay



"Yes. Beef prices have even gone up. Even chicken prices have gone up. As soon as gas prices rise so does food costs."

-Mike Defran



"Yes and it is just outrageous. Meat has definitely gone up and so has everything else. I am noticing it's not just a couple cents prices have gone up sometimes it's more like \$1. I think it is because of what is going on in the Middle East."

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Local hip-hop group ready for big time

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Summer's heating up for Clarkston's Matt Floyd Music.

The hip-hop, rap group – Floyd, Kyle O'Grady, Press Kampe, and Michael Wayne – is getting ready to release an EP, with 5-6 original, summer-themed hip-hop rap songs.

"What's cool about it is we're sitting in the studio making our own music," said O'Grady, 18. "We learned how to use music software. We record Matt and put it all together. It's a way to stand out, doing it by ourselves."

They're also set to open for rapper Machine Gun Kelly at The Fillmore Detroit on July 12.

"That's someone we've listened to for a long time," O'Grady said.

They also hope to open for hip art artist Mike Stud at the Crofoot in Pontiac on July 13.

"We book as many shows as we can. We keep pushing on in music," said Floyd, 19.

"We want to tour, that's a long term goal," said Kampe, 18.

"We're emailing a lot of artists, to hop on a leg of a tour and gain exposure," O'Grady said. "We're keeping our eyes open. We want to tour as much as we can."

"We're building a fan base, growing it from kids in high school," Kampe said.

On June 26, they're planning to host a private party at the Pike Room, with music, lights, fog, the works.

"We kind of took it in our own hands to promote ourselves by hosting a party," said O'Grady. "We rented a small room for Matt to do a small set."

Floyd and O'Grady met in fourth grade at Independence Elementary, and found they shared musical tastes.

"We've always liked rap. We decided take in our own hands and do it," Floyd said.



From left are Michael Wayne, Kyle O'Grady, Matt Floyd, Press Kampe of Matt Floyd Music in downtown Clarkston. Photo by Phil Custodio

They made a studio out of a closet in the basement of his Independence Township home. The boys researched different types of equipment and styles of rap and hip hop music.

"We were kind of getting into it, listening to our favorite artists, trying it out," O'Grady said. "When we were 9 or 10, we set up a legitimate studio with microphones."

Floyd looked to hip hop artists like Wiz Khalifa, while O'Grady turned to Mac Miller and others.

"Young people we kind of looked up to," O'Grady said. "When we saw what they were doing, we figured we could do the same."

Kampe met Floyd and O'Grady at Clarkston High School and joined the group a couple years ago.

"I've been playing drums for 10 years in metal bands," Kampe said. "When you mix drums with a rapper and DJ, it's kind of cool. It's a live music aspect over electronic beats, a fusion of sound."

"We called one night and said bring a couple drums. We've had him with us ever since," O'Grady said.

"I'm happy enough to be with these guys," Kampe said.

"It's a new sound, it makes us stand out," Floyd said.

"We're more like friends who play music. We all get along well," O'Grady said.

The group had their first break last summer.

"Matt and I were working at a
Please see Matt Floyd on page 38

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Death notices & Obituaries

Scott W. Evanson, 53 Robert A. Stilwell, 43

Scott W. Evanson of Clarkston, formerly of Rochester; passed away suddenly June 14, 2014 at age 53.



He was beloved husband of Karen; loving father of Amanda (fiancé Tab Wood), Samantha and Alyssa; papa of Morgan; son of Marlene (Ron) Smisek; preceded in death by his father Walter Dean; brother of Brian (Diane) and Jeffrey (Jackie); son in law of Dolores (the late Cecil) Pelowski.

Scott was employed as Project Manager at IM Branded, Rochester Hills.

Funeral Service is Thursday 10 a.m. at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston where friends may visit Wednesday 3-9 p.m. and Thursday 9 a.m. until time of service.

Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Online guestbook
 www.wintfuneralhome.com

Robert Allan Stilwell, "Bob," of Waterford, formerly of Metamora and Clarkston, passed away June 8, 2014, at age 43.

He was the father of Caitlin, Nick, and Brendan and their mother Jenny; son of Rose (Bill) Becker and Vernon Stilwell; brother of Correena (Rob) Scriptor, Ryan (Erica) Rosebush, Pamela (Don) Rouse, Jamie Stilwell, Sheryl (Dwayne) Preston, Anna Williamson, William (Jill) Becker and Dawn (Jeremy) Johnston; survived by many nieces and nephews; boyfriend of Kristy Stanich.



Bob served in the U.S. Navy during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm in Iraq. He was employed as a surgical nurse at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital and formerly worked at Huron Valley Hospital.

Funeral Service was June 12 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly.

In lieu of flowers, any donations to the family will be used for the future education of his children. Online guestbook
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First Friday Family Fun, 7 p.m., St. Trinity Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw Road. Board and video games, snacks for all ages, kids movies. Call 248-625-4644 for more information.

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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.

Rummage sale, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., June 28; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., June 29, American Legion Unit 63, 8047 Ortonville Road. 248-634-7140.

Clarkston Garden Walk, 12-8 p.m., July 9. Tour six Clarkston area gardens, benefits Clarkston Garden Club. \$15/advance, \$18/day of. 248-620-2984.

Pond and Water Garden Tour, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., July 12. \$15/advance, \$20 day of, benefits SCAMP. 248-623-8089.

Scoop for Heart, 4-8 p.m., July 15, Culver's of Clarkston, 2910 Sashabaw Road. Giant inflatables with slides, bounce house; face painting, balloon twisting; fire engine tour; crafts; 10% food sales to Children's Heart Foundation Michigan Chapter. 248-922-9224.

AARP Driver Safety Program, 1:30-5:30 p.m., July 16-17, \$15/AARP members, \$20/non-members, Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Monday

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

Clarkston Area Mothers & More, 6:30-8:30 p.m., third Monday, Red Knapps restaurant. Call Shelly, 248-778-8115, or Allison, 248-462-5510

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

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

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

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

Zumba Gold Fitness, Mondays, Wednesdays, June 16-Aug. 20, 6:30-7:45 p.m., Clarkston Specialty Healthcare

Around Town



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



TO THE MARKET, TO THE MARKET: Diana from Diana's Heirloom was among the vendors attending this year's Farmer's Market in Springfield Township at the Shiawassee Basin, June 15. The market is held each Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and features special events throughout the summer. EBT is also accepted with a program that doubles food bucks for food purchases made. For more info visit www.springfield-twp.us/farmers_market. Clarkston's Farmers Market starts on June 29 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lot at 6558 Waldon Road. *Photo by Andrea Beaudoin*

Community Room. 248-625-8231.

FOP Post 132, 7 p.m., June 16, American Legion Post 63, Ortonville Road. Guest speakers: Neil Billington, state rep. candidate; and Mark Schaurer, candidate for governor.

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.

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

Widowers and Widows On With Life Group, 7 p.m., first Tuesday, third Wednesday. Dinners, breakfasts, golf, social gatherings, rap

sessions for ages 35-80. 248-393-8553.

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.

LegalShield and Identity Theft Shield information sessions with Carol Compagnoni, Tuesdays 12:15-1:30 p.m., Buck Shots Bar and Grill, 7048 Gateway Park Drive, 248-420-3126.

Wednesday

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

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

Thursday

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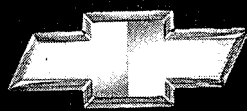
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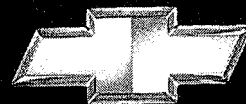
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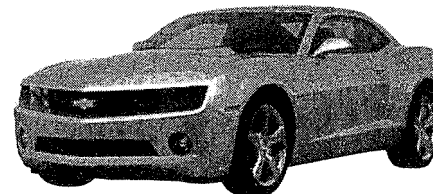
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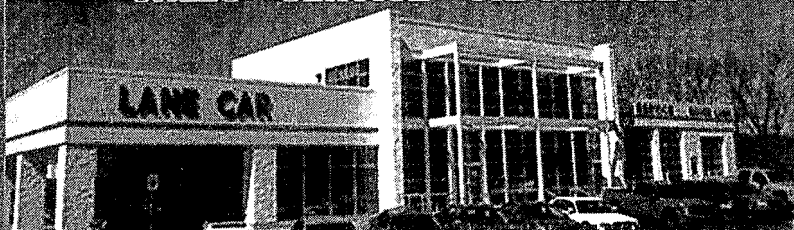


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STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT 2014-357, 206-DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

Estate of Richard Dean Fuller. Date of birth: 01/10/1949
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Richard Dean Fuller, who lived at 245 Bishop, Highland Township, MI 48357 died 06/02/2014.
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Rodney Allen Fuller, personal representative or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.
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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know

CLARKSTON

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 23, 2014 at 6:30 o'clock p.m., at 6389 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston, Michigan, the Board of Education of Clarkston Community Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2014-2015 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2014-2015 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2014-2015 budget is available for public inspection during normal business hours beginning Friday, June 20, 2014 at 6389 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.*

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Craig Hamilton, Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an Election will be held in the:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

If you are not currently registered to vote or need to register at a new address, you may do so at the following locations and times:

In Person:

- Charter Township of Independence Clerk's Office - 6483 Waldon Center Drive - Clarkston, MI 48346
Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm;
- Oakland County Elections Division - 1200 N. Telegraph Road - Pontiac, MI 48341
Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm;
- Secretary of State Branch Offices;
- At specified agencies for clients receiving services through Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind; and
- At military recruitment offices for persons who are enlisting.

By Mail:

Voter Registration Application: Mail application to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline on Monday, July 7, 2014.

Note: Persons registering by mail are required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the state OR are at least 60 years of age OR are handicapped.

The election will be conducted in the following voting precincts:

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- 1 St. Trinity Lutheran Church - 7925 Sashabaw Road
- 2 First Congregational Church - 5449 Clarkston Road
- 3 Carriage House @ Clintonwood Park - 6000 Clarkston Road
- 4 Clarkston Independence District Township Library - 6495 Clarkston Road
- 5 Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church - 6805 Bluegrass
- 6 Clarkston Community Church - 6300 Clarkston Road
- 7 Oakland Woods Baptist Church - 5628 Maybee Road
- 8 Maranatha Baptist Church - 5790 Flemings Lake Road
- 9 Harvestland Church - 5848 Clintonville Road
- 10 & 11 Mt. Zion Church - 4900 Maybee Road
- 12 & 13 Clarkston Community Schools Administration Building - 6389 Clarkston Road

For the purpose of electing OR nominating candidates for the following offices and

STATE: Governor

CONGRESSIONAL: United States Senator; Representative in Congress - 8th District;

LEGISLATIVE: State Senator - 12th District; Representative in State Legislature - 43rd District;

COUNTY: County Commissioner Districts 1st and 4th;

AND for the purpose of electing: Delegates to the County Convention of the Democratic and Republican parties;

AND for the purpose of voting on the following State proposal:

APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF AMENDATORY ACT TO REDUCE STATE USE TAX AND REPLACE WITH ALOCAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION SHARE TO MODERNIZE THE TAX SYSTEM TO HELP SMALL BUSINESSES GROW AND CREATE JOBS

The amendatory act adopted by the Legislature would:

1. Reduce the state use tax and replace with a local community stabilization share of the tax for the purpose of modernizing the tax system to help small businesses grow and create jobs in Michigan.
2. Require Local Community Stabilization Authority to provide revenue to local governments dedicated for local purposes, including police safety, fire protection, and ambulance emergency services.
3. Increase portion of state use tax dedicated for aid to local school districts.
4. Prohibit Authority from increasing taxes.
5. Prohibit total use tax rate from exceeding existing constitutional 6% limitation.

Should this law be approved?

Yes

No

AND for the purpose of voting on the following Township proposal:

RENEWAL of POLICE SERVICES operating MILLAGE

Shall the Charter Township of Independence be authorized to renew the previously authorized levy of up to 2.95 mills for a period of four (4) years, starting with the December 2014 levy, for the purpose of continuing to provide police services in the Township?

This millage will renew the voter approved 2010 millage for police services in the approximate amount of \$2.95 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the Township. It is estimated that the authorization will result in the authorization to collect \$4,036,150.00 in the first year if approved and levied. It is estimated that 99.7% of the annual millage revenue would be disbursed to the Charter Township of Independence for police services and, as required by law, 0.3% (three tenths of one percent) will be disbursed to the Township's Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority. The amount disbursed to the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority shall be collected only from properties within the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority District.

Yes

No

AND for the purpose of voting on the following District Library proposal:

Library Millage Proposal

Shall the Clarkston Independence District Library, County of Oakland, Michigan, levy an amount not to exceed 1.25 mills (\$1.25 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) against all taxable real and tangible personal property within the Clarkston Independence District Library District for a period of eight (8) years, 2014 to 2021, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all District Library purposes authorized by law; and shall the District Library levy such new additional millage for said purpose? The estimate of the revenue the Clarkston Independence District Library will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the District Library in the 2014 calendar year is approximately \$1,757,000. A small portion (approximately 0.3%) of the revenue collected will be subject to capture by the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority.

Yes

No

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

PUBLISHED & POSTED: Wednesday, June 18, 2014

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE JUNE 10, 2014

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

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Ken Elwert, Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director

- APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As amended (Moved Regular Business M-8 before M-1)
- CLOSED SESSION: None
- BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Treasurer Brown; Ken Elwert, Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director; Trustee Schroeder
- PUBLIC COMMENT: Alyssa Bottrell
- PUBLIC HEARING: None Scheduled

I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

1. Presentation: Current Investment Report (Paul A. Brown, Treasurer),
2. Report: Supervisor's Report (Patrick J. Kittle, Supervisor)
- J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS:
 1. Postponed: Request to Approve 2nd Reading of the Final Site Plan for Ardmore Planned Unit Development (PUD)

K. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes of May 27, 2014
2. Approval of Payroll of June 6, 2014; and Check Run of June 4, 2014 for a Total Amount of \$608,044.22
3. Approval of Equipment purchase for Township Meeting Room
4. Approval of Fireworks Display Permits for Lake Oakland Board/American Legion Post and Independence Township/Everest Academy

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None

M. REGULAR BUSINESS:

8. Adoption of Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Resolutions-6756 Dixie Hwy Road Project:
 - a. Approval of Resolution of Understanding releasing 6756 Dixie Hwy to the Oakland County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (OCBRA)
 - b. Adoption of Resolution concurring with the provision of Brownfield Plan adopted by the Oakland County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for 6756 Dixie Hwy Road Project.

1. Accepted and Authorized the Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director to implement the 2013 Service Assessment Report
2. Eliminated all Recreation Division Basketball Programs as recommended in the 2013 Service Assessment
3. Reconsidered Motion #2014-05-097-02 - Engineering Services
4. Amended the Investment Policy - Section 11 Maximum Maturities
5. Amended the Investment Policy - Glossary
6. Appointment of Members to Boards & Committees:
 - a. Construction Code of Appeals
 - b. Senior Adult Activity Center Advisory Committee
7. Postponed the adoption of Resolutions for the Purchase of Easements - Waldon/Sashabaw Intersection

N. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

1. Report: Sheriff's Department Monthly Report for April 2014
2. Report: Fire Department Monthly Report for January, February and March 2014
5. Minutes: Lake Oakland-Lake Improvement Board, May 7, 2014

O. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Schroeder, Supervisor Kittle

P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, June 18, 2014

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<p>2004 Mercedes-Benz E-Class E320</p>  <p>Stk.# NP143876 \$11,897</p>	<p>2010 Chrysler Sebring Touring</p>  <p>Stk.# 144137B \$12,397</p>	<p>1995 Chevrolet Corvette</p>  <p>Stk.# P8052A \$12,493</p>	<p>2008 Cadillac CTS</p>  <p>Stk.# NP145135 \$12,697</p>	<p>2011 Chevrolet Impala LT</p>  <p>Stk.# N142155A \$12,897</p>	<p>2008 Jeep Grand Cherokee Limited</p>  <p>Stk.# NP145878 \$12,897</p>
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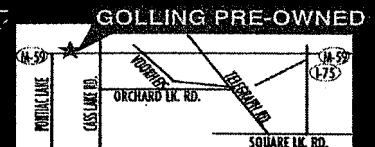
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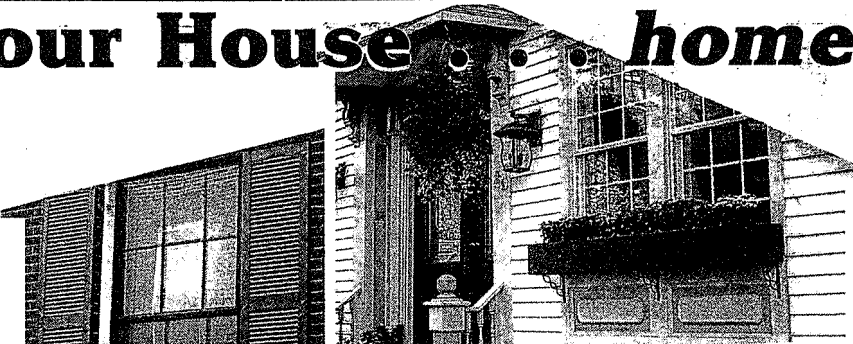


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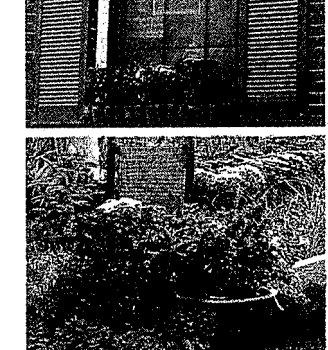
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School news

Clarkston Board of Education voted unanimously June 9, to approve the purchase of a Fortinet Firewall for the district.

The \$60,045.80 for the purchase comes from a Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant, which had a June 30 deadline. Annual hardware maintenance and software subscription fees are \$23,398.20. The district will drop current web filter and antivirus services costing \$30,000 per year, for a savings of \$6,601.80 a year.

Firewall replacement was a top technology priority for the district, said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock.

The school board also voted unanimously to approve curriculum updates to digital photography, English Language Arts, German, and Spanish programs.

The Advanced Digital Photography art course for grades 10-12 will begin in the 2016 school year. The ELA course will include the book *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie. Also approved for future purchase were *Thirteen Reasons Why* by Jay Asher, *Feed* by MT Anderson, *Eleanor and Park* by Rainbow Lowell, and *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green.

Textbooks and materials for the update, which was first presented in May, cost \$15,071.51.

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Matt Floyd Music plans future

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landscaping job, and during our lunch break I opened an email," O'Grady said.

The email was an offer to have them open for rapper Huey Mack at the Pike Room in Pontiac.

"He was someone I've listened to previously - it was out of the blue. I actually called the place to make sure," O'Grady said. "The show went great. We sold 50 tickets in two days with the support of the town."

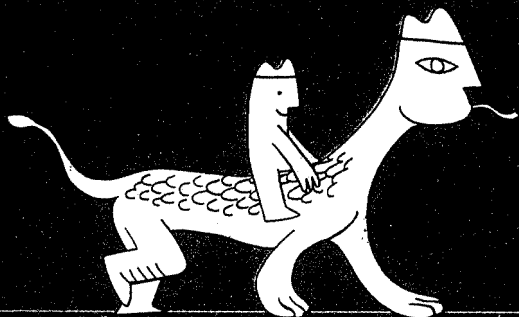
Michael Wayne officially became part of team as manager a few weeks ago, but knew the guys for over a year.

"They're doing pretty well, with two openers

for big name artists, their own privately labeled event, it's definitely heating up," said Wayne, 18.

They're also all in college now - Floyd at Oakland Community College; O'Grady, Albion College; Kampe, Berkley College of Music; and Wayne, Indiana University in Bloomington. In 10 years, they want to be signed with music on the charts, living in California, and performing around the country with their own tour bus, and around the world.

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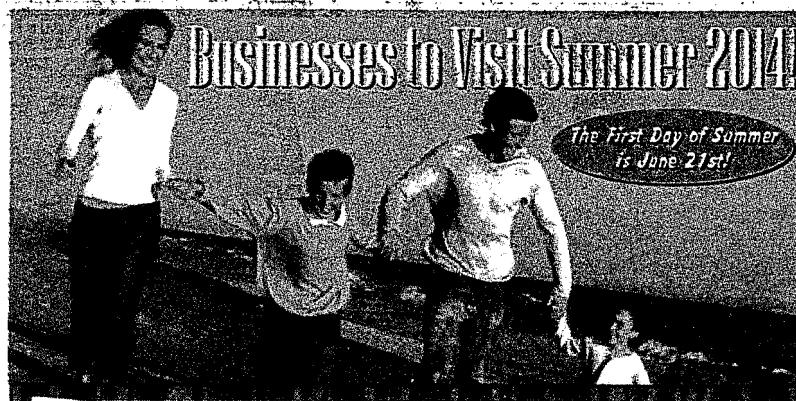
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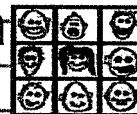
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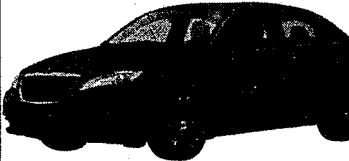
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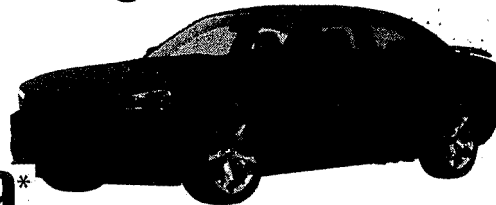
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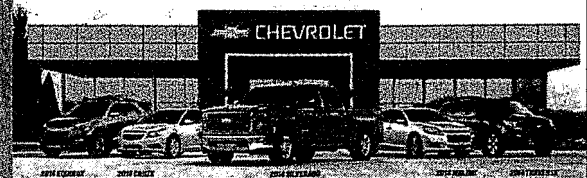
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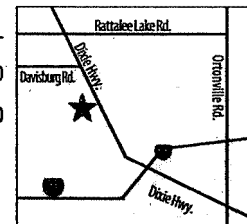
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