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State investigation started

Resident wants state check into 'Clarkstongate'

BYANDREAM BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After he was told Oakland County prosecutor's declined to pursue charges, Cory Johnston of Clarkston thought legal issues he has with the city manager were

"I have spent \$2,500 on legal fees," he said. "I am not spending anymore, and I am done with the city. I do think I have a civil case. I think I would win, but I do not have the resources to fight the city.'

Johnston filed a police report with the Oakland County Sheriff Office regarding Freedom of Information Act violations and deletion of city records.

Independence Township Lieutenant Dirk Feneley, Independence Township substation commander, said the information was forwarded to the county's Special Investigative Unit, which investigates public corruption.

Johnston was told by an investigator the matter was civil and not criminal, and the case is closed.

"I hate Clarkston, and I want to sell my house and move out of here," Johnston said. "The city and its officials can just get

away with whatever they want, with no repercussions."

Johnston is known for regularly sending lengthy and frequent complaints to city officials in regards to many issues from how quickly sidewalks were cleared after record break-



Johnston

ing snowfall in wintertime to action taken in regards to a bridge in Depot Park-among several other issues. Johnston said the city also improperly notifies the public about meetings, records are unavailable and unbudgeted expenses are approved regularly.

Johnston alleged city officials ignored his complaints, violated FOIA laws and withheld records.

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1 Section, 40 pages \$1.00 JUMPERS: Jack Lehman; at left, and Paula Crist jump the hurdles during Youth Track and Field Camp at Clarkston High School, July 17. Please see page 20 for more pictures. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Road work descends on downtown

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

By Monday afternoon, several sidewalks on corners of downtown Clarkston streets had sidewalks and brick pavers ripped out and ready to be revamped.

Some sidewalk areas in the city of Clarkston are being redone to make them compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act standards. Crews will remove and replace the curb and install stamped concrete.

Sidewalk work will be completed in conjunction with a \$4.5 million project to resurface 8.6 miles of M-15 from Dixie Highway in

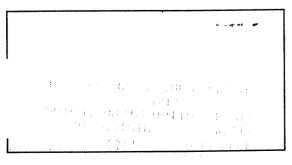
Independence Township to Wolfe Road in Ortonville

Tom Obee, an operator with Carlo Excavating, the company doing sidewalk work, said crews will be working from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. daily.

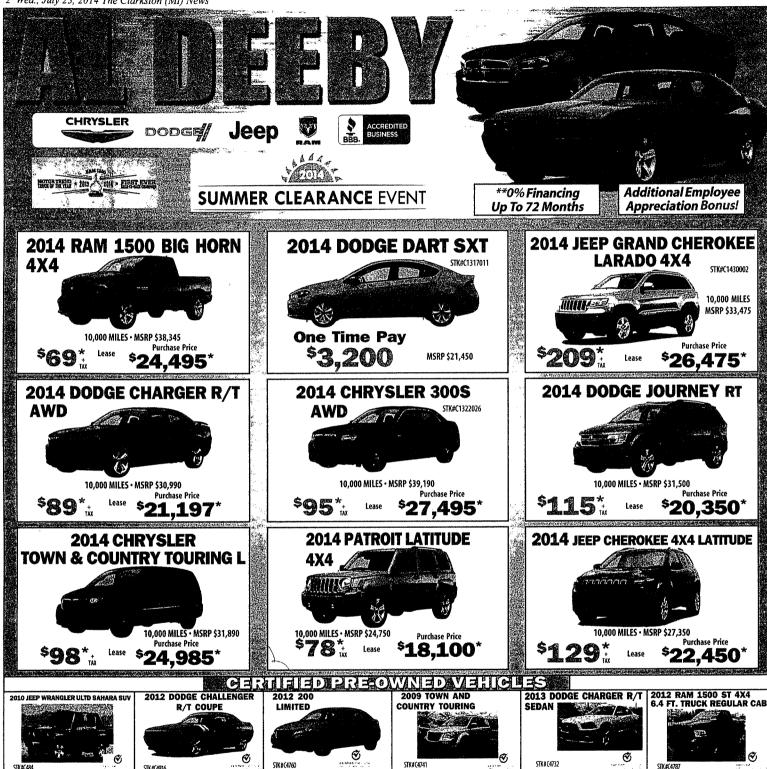
Although some corners will be closed with safety cones, the crews assured residents they intend to do whatever it takes to keep traffic in own flowing smoothly.

We will keep pedestrian traffic flowing because this town gets busy," said Obee.

Obee estimated sidewalk projects will be Please see Road on page 5







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Clarkston DPW worker Ralph Daigle helps maintain flower beds in Depot Park. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Garden work in Depot Park

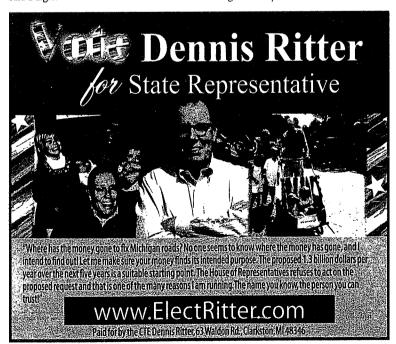
It's hard work to make sure Depot Park in downtown Clarkston stays beautiful, according to City of the Village of Clarkston DPW worker Ralph Daigle.

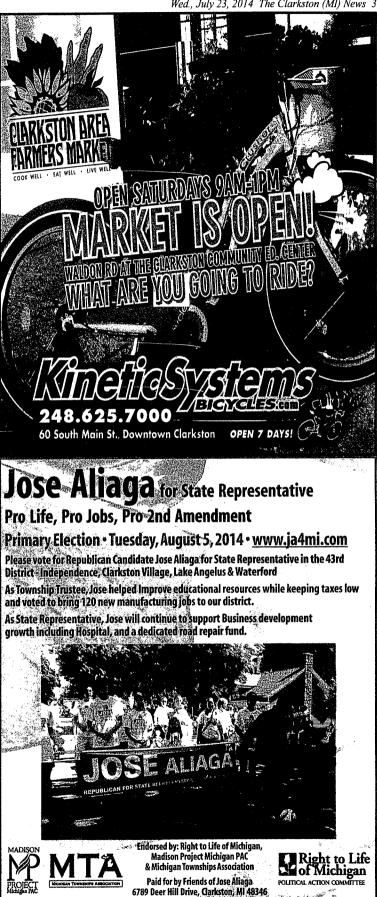
Employees perform a lot of tasks to keep the park beautiful like weeding flower beds, mowing the grass, weed whipping, removing garbage and caring for trees.

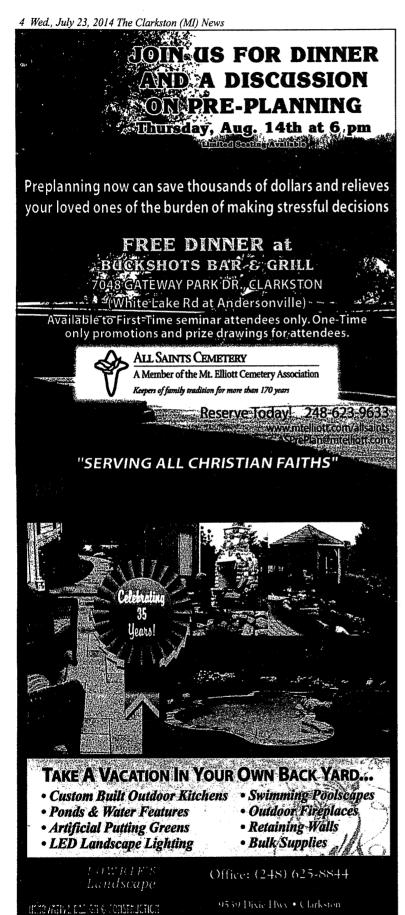
"We also get the park ready for Concerts in the Park, and do things like hang banners," said Daigle.

DPW Foreman Jason Miller said the gazebo in the park, which has been continuously vandalized, was sanded and painted in the middle of June.

City Manager Carol Eberhardt also created an Adopt-a-Garden program last year. This year, volunteers adopted 13 gardens in the park and have cared for them in a variety of ways from planting flowers to weeding. Gardens, now in full bloom, are located throughout the park.









SAFER CROSSING: Pedestrians no longer have to be concerned about crossing the street at the corner of Main and Washington Streets in downtown Clarkston. A malfunctioning crosswalk light was repaired last week. Road Commission for Oakland County employees said one of their employees noticed the light was not working while in the midst of performing routine maintenance in the area. RCOC said the issue was an electrical problem, and only the ido not walkî signal quit working. The light was repaired on Wednesday. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

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Crews from Carlo Excavating removed brick pavers from the sidewalk at Main and Washington streets on Monday. The bricks were taken to the City of the Village of Clarkston for reuse in community projects. *Photo by Andrea Beaudoin*

Work begins

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completed in about four weeks.

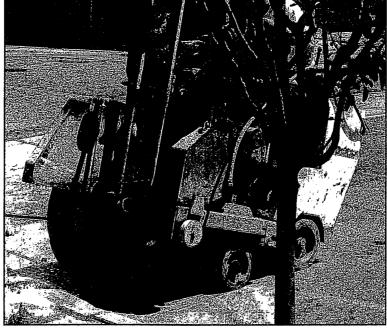
Although crews had parking spots on the east side of Main Street closed with a sign that read no parking after 3 p.m., the owner of Picassois Grapevine in downtown said she is not worried that the parking spot closures will effect her business because her customers always park in the public parking lots.

iPlus after the work is done our downtown will have a fresh new loo,î said Leanna Haun.

Ace Asphalt, the contractor doing the resurfacing and re-milling road work began working on the road project this week. Although patching and filling holes will be done daily, the resurfacing work will take place at night on weekends.

During the week there will be two lanes open on Main Street.

Traffic will be reduced to one lane on weeknights and weekdays from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.



A worker saws through the curb on Main Street. Photo by Phil Custodio

Briefly

School board election

Clarkston Board of Education President Rosalie Lieblang and trustees Elizabeth Egan and Steve Hyer are running for re-election in the Nov. 4 election.

Running as challengers are Donald E. Deering of Independence Township and Kelli Horst of Springfield Township.

Three seats are up in this year's election. Deadline to register as a candidate for Clarkston Board of Education was Tuesday, July 22.

Labor Day parade

The Clarkston Labor Day Parade is seeking floats, classic cars, community service organizations, musical groups, local businesses, political candidates, families, and equestrian riders for the traditional end of summer event.

Sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club for the past 72 years, the parade begins at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 1, at Renaissance High School on Waldon Road. The parade route will be Church Street to Main Street, north to Miller Road, ending at Miller Rd and Holcomb roads. Entry applications are at Clarkstonrotary.org. Contact Clarkston Rotarian Joel DeLong at joeldelong@aol.com or 248-625-9741.

Concert for Habitat

MyHabitat Clarkston hosts Habitat in the Park, 6-9 p.m., Friday, July 25, at Depot Park.

Dinner and dessert will be available at the concessions tents, with musical entertainment by Nashville Recording Artist Bob Arwood and the Regulators.

The event will support a home build in Springfield Township for a single mother of three and U.S. Army veteran. Call 248-625-8055 for information.

Volunteer needed

A volunteer is needed to fill a vacant seat on the city of the village of Clarkston Historic District Committee.

Duties while serving on the committee include approving or denying requests to make changes to homes or businesses located in the historic area of downtown Clarkston. The volunteer will also help oversee other issues relating to a local city ordinance created to preserve the district. Any willing volunteer is asked to contact city manager Carol Eberhardt via email at eberhardtc@villageofclarkston.org or call City Hall at 248-625-1559.

Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Parade etiquette

This week's letter to the editor regarding the incident at the Fourth of July parade is interesting. I was at Clintonwood Park getting ready for the veterans' activities during the parade so I missed it.

Something about the out-of-control booer, cool and witty retort by the parade marcher, and mass approval of the crowd seemed vulnerable to exaggeration.

In this age of social media, however, it was easy to check. Post it on Facebook

and see what the Internet had to say. With thousands in attendance at the parade and 2,808 "Likes" on the Clarkston News page, there was an excellent chance at least someone would be able to corroborate the account. Three were able to do so.



"This really happened," posted Roxanne Rollison. "The gentleman was standing right next to me and my family! At first I thought he knew those in the parade and was 'heckling' them! And while I agree that Obamacare is TERRIBLE for our country, his behavior (and the timing) was very inappropriate!!"

"I heard it too, so disappointing," agreed Stacey Cronin Frankovich. "The adults should be able to model appropriate behavior in front of children. The Clarkston 4th of July parade has been a tradition for my family for years and I would hate to think it can be ruined by ignorant, small minded people."

Candidate Phillip Reid was in the parade when it happened.

"I was walking in the parade with the North Oakland Democratic Club and can attest that it happened," Reid posted.

Obamacare and other national issues are hugely important in people's lives, but there were many reasons not to boo, including the parade was a time for celebration and kids were there.

It was also out of place. Checking out Phil's photos from the parade on Facebook, they marched with lots of red white and blue and candidate banners. No "yay Obamacare" banners that I could see.

And it was counterproductive. The Democrats won that particular encounter with a single cool retort.

Freedom of Speech is our right and one of the main reasons people were marching that day. But silence is also powerful. I've seen entire crowds go dead quiet before, to signal disapproval. It would be hard to argue with that.

Opinion Pages Letters, columns & Editorials

Parade not boos' time, place, reader says

Dear Editor.

I would like to share an anecdote from the Clarkston Fourth of July parade this year for it illustrates the importance of "Correct time and place." It is also my desire to thank the adults involved who acted in the best interest of the children.

As the Democratic Club marched by, someone in the crowd yelled very loudly, "Boo Obama Care" and continued to boo loudly. The group of young children around me looked up startled and upset. The members

of the Club looked directly at the man and responded, "Happy Fourth of July to you, sir." The relief of the adults in the crowd was palpable.

I would like to thank the members of the club with public recognition. To the by-stander who could not put his personal agenda aside for the sake of the children, please let this be a learning experience for you to develop some depth of character.

Denise Anderson Rochester Hills

Children's appeal for library millage

Dear Editor

"You're kidding me Grandma, it can't be true."

That's the reaction from my grandson Dane when he was looking forward to the used book sale in September and I said the library might be closed forever.

He spent over an hour at the last book sale intent on finding "good stuff." "Penguins," he thought, would be the book of choice.

Penguins? Not this time, but we walked out with a 300+ page book about wildlife, specifically birds and animals and, also, a terrific small book on fossils.

A neighbor boy and Dane now hunt at

least twice a week for fossils on our property. They have them sorted and "labeled" and even displayed them. The wildlife book, too, has become a resource book many times over this summer. Dane frequents the library and just last week brought home several books written by his favorite new author.

He has promised Hunter, his friend, he can go with us to the next used book sale. They are excited already! Please, everyone, don't disappoint them. They might even find a book on penguins this trip.

I ask you to support our library by voting Aug. 5 for our library millage.

Patricia Evans Independence Township

Support for Schroeder for state rep.

Dear Editor.

Of all the candidates wanting to be our representative in Lansing, I know one well, Andrea Schroeder.

Through decades of deep involvement within our community, Schroeder has become well experienced, informed and respected in matters of business, education and public services.

I personally admire Andrea Schroeder's sense of humor, 'can do' attitude, and uncommon ability to identify the roots of complex problems and clearly propose solutions, complete with their associated pros & cons. Schroeder does not blindly accept simple answers until she proves them accurate. She has long been the 'go to' person for parents trying to negotiate the educational system both within Clarkston

and Lansing. Schroeder has demonstrated a drive to find and implement solutions to problems rather than simply complain about them.

I have learned many things through my work with Andrea Schroeder: (1) How to politely question information without attacking those delivering it, (2) how good humor helps to build relationships and how good relationships make good things happen, and (3) how rewarding it is to use the unique talent God has given, to find and implement solutions for any problem our community may face.

On August 5, I will proudly vote for the representative I want to have in Lansing: Andrea Schroeder.

Cheryl McNeil Independence Township

Please see page 26 for another Letter to the Editor. No more letters on the Aug. 5 primary election, but election coverage continues in next week's edition

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1999

"Independence planning tool to help schools" A proposal to inform Clarkston schools about new residential developments and rezonings in Independence Township was adopted by the Board of Trustees. It would include projected number of school-age children coming into developments, anticipated traffic concerns and other issues.

"MEAP scores show progress, room for improvement" MEAP scores were out and the results for Clarkston Community Schools were not bad according to David Reschke, assistant superintendent for K-8 operations. "We've still got some work to do." They saw percentages rise and fall for grades 4, 5, 7 and 8 in math, reading, science and writing.

"Sportsmanship is the rule for this team" Bill McGregor, coach for the Terry Machine team, acknowledged he wanted his team to win as many games as they could but there worthwhile lessons to learn on little league baseball including how to be a good winner and a good lover.

25 years ago - 1989

"Bacteria suspected in illness" Reports of sick children prompted the closure of the Hidden Springs swimming pool at Independence Oaks County Park. Health Department officials tested the water for the shigella bacteria, which is known to cause symptoms reported.

"Elementary student's music interest is noteworthy" Jenni Salata was unlike other seven-year-olds. The second grader could play Mozart on the violin, Bach on the piano, and compose complex pieces of her own.

"For the third time, students say he's the best teacher" If Clarkston High School students could grade teachers, they definitely would give their anatomy and physiology teacher, Bill Mackson, an A-plus. Mackson received the CHS Teacher of the Semester Award, which students vote for the teacher who deserves the honor.

50 years ago - 1964

"New school to be Bailey Lake Elementary" The Clarkston Board of Education officially named the school on Pine Knob Road as Bailey Lake Elementary, which was part of the former Bailey Lake district.

"Wives to go fishing" Clarkston Rotary Club members and their wives were to be guest of old fisherman August Bessinger at Fisherman's Paradise.

Give me green paint, you get the Jolly Green Giant!

Tis the season for re-runs, and Iid like you to follow a hair pulling Jottings runner from 1966.

Several weeks ago, Hazel and I were in a group that attended the Orion Council of Knights of Columbus dance. Midst the fun and merriment of this conventional dance it was agreed that we would go to the next K of C affair, which was a Halloween masquerade party. It seemed like a good idea at the time.

In our group was Norrine Valentine. Before thinking of an outfit for herself or her husband, Jack, the idea struck her that I should be the Jolly Green Giant.

Iid about forgotten the whole thing until the Friday before the party when Norrine showed up, material in hand, and started planning and sizing. She also gave Hazel a jar of watercolor green paint for my shoes. Shoes?

At 8:45 the night of the party, Hazel, and our three kids, started

painting me.

One had a brush, two had sponges and the other lent moral support. They painted my entire body, while I stood practically still in the middle of some papers in the kitchen and endured this treatment. Of course, I thought it was going to look good, and anything for a laugh.

When they finished, the paint had dried around my knees. There wasn't even a thought of laughter as I tried to bend my knees. Each hair was individually stretched, then pulled by the roots six

inches either side of my knee joints.

But after getting in and out of a car a few times the hair pulling was bearable, and we went on to have a good time.

For a few minutes around midnight the fun stopped for me again.

I had agreed to be one of the costume judges, and as such I couldn't be a isoreî loser

I wrote this in 1965, but the story goes back to war time. I went into the Navy (yes, ours) in 1944 weighing 157 pounds. Then I spent 17 months in a tuberculous hospital, gaining weight.

I put myself on a cream diet for 3 months and gained 3 pounds. I asked the doctor, iCan I go home now?î iNot ëtil you get fatter. î

I stayed on the cream diet for six more months, and gained 60 pounds.

Now I'll get to where I was heading. While gaining this weight, I developed marks on my buttocks and tummy. Thin reddish, hairline streaks.

Hazel and I were engaged at the time. She drove from Durand to Lansing every weekend to visit. My self diagnosis was that I had a disease that would keep me confined if doctors and nurses learned of it.

Remember, Iím a bashful 22 and I was reluctant to even explain where the marks were, let alone show her, but I did.

She broke out in joyous laughter. I burned. When she finally ceased her hysterics, she told me I had stretch marks.

She said women sometimes get them when they are pregnant. At this late date, I still don't know if I had stretch marks or notÖ cause Hazel never got them when she was pregnant.

Without a song, the day woud never end?

i Without a song, the day would never end; without a song, a man ain't got a friend; without a song, the road would never bend - without a song.î -- Elvis Presely

I think something is terribly wrong with me. This revelation started to show itself this past winter (you remember, the one with all the vortexes).

As I was shoveling my back yard (and, no, that act in itself wasnit the crumb-of-a-clue that started my

introspectional investigation), I stopped in mid shovel. What got my attention on this cold, end of February day, was the song playing inside my head.

Well, it wasnit really a song at all. It was just one line of a song -- played by over and over again, like the phonograph between my ears was playing a broken record. (For those born after 1990, let me put it this way. It was like a single line from a song, digitally remastered and strung together as an endless loop, on a computer.)

As I shoveled the snow, up to my knees then up to my chest, my mindís ear listened to the stupid Brothers Gibb singing their stupid hit from 1977, Stayiní Alive. Iíve never seen the movie that the song was a part of (Saturday Night Fever, with John Travolta) and I donít even know any of the words, except for, 1Ah, ah, ah, ah, ah, stayiní alive, stayiní alive. î

and, iYou can tell by the way I use my walk, I a woman's man, no time for talk.î

But, my head only played the iah, ah, ahî part. Over and over and over and over, the shrill, supertenor, Isle of Man voices of the BGis shrieking, iah, ah, ah, staying alive. î

I may have asked the Big Kahoona in the sky to give me a heart attack and end my misery. He didnít, I was staying alive . . . ha, ha, ha, heariní that line, heariní that line.

Flash Forward!

God did grant me (at least) one favor that day. He let me forget my mental torment from the Brothers Gibb. Blocked out. Gone. Until this past weekend. I hadnít thought of my crazy-lady, mindless repetitive singing voices in my head until about 15 minutes into pushing my lawn mower.

Up and down, back and forth over the green, green, grass and clover of home. And, in my head, over and over another broken record. I caught myself once again listening to my mindís ear.

i The most sensantional, Inspirational, Celebrational, Muppet-ational . . . This is what we call The Muppet Show!î

What the hell?!

Whatis wrong with me?

I used to think I was the most logical, most in-touch with myself and sane person in town. My insights, profound. My words, wisdom laced. Thought I, my mind is a well oiled and finely tuned machine; a veritable steel trap to collect and store data. Info in, profundities out.

Like clockwork, baby!

(These days all that wants to come out are profanities. Thank goodness, my decency filters are still working.)

Has a wire inside my nogginí come undone? A synaptic connection unconnected? Has there been an internal short circuit of sorts? Have I blown my head gasket?

What has happened inside my melon that has caused me to hear, repeatedly, the same lines of these songs whilst doing repetitive, mind-numbing tasks? And, more importantly, what has condemned me to hear something from the Disco-age or the theme song to a stupid television show about stupid (although lovable) puppets?

I know lots of different songs from lots of different artists from lots of different times periods and all I get is:

i The most sensantional, Inspirational, Celebrational, Muppet-ational . . . This is what we call The Muppet Show!î

Come on, whatis a imuppet-ationalî anyway?

All I hear now is another line from another song from the late 1960s, iTheyire coming to take me away, ha-ha, hee-hee . . .î Thatis a line of a song not by Alice Cooper, as some believe, but Napoleon XIV (whomever he is?).

Maybe it is time to up my intake of fish oil to boost my Omega 3 levels. Fish is brain food, ain it it?

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It would have been deja vu for candidates interested in running for office in the City of the Village of Clarkston.

A notice on the city's website last week stated the filing deadline for candidates for the Nov. 4 election was July 24. The Clarkston News pointed out to city officials that the was incorrect.

The Clarkston City Charter states candidates must submit petitions by the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August. This year, that day falls on Aug. 5, also an election day.

Richard Bisio of Clarkston, former City Council member, said the same mistake happened in 2010 and 2011. After the second error, he contacted the Secretary of State Elections Divisions for clarification of election laws.

iThere was an apparent conflict between state law and the City Charter. I asked for guidance from the Secretary of State Elections Division,î Bisio said.

Clarkston Mayor and three City Council seats are up for grabs in the November election. In order to be included on the ballot, interested candidates must submit nominating petitions with at least 20 valid voter signatures by the deadline.

Every time the error has occurred, city officials said dates set by state law and the City Charter conflict. City Clerk Sandy Miller, like previous city officials, said staff decided to follow state law over city charter.

In 2010, election date misinformation caused confusion and frustration for council hopeful Becky Summerlee.

On Aug. 3, 2010, Summerlee thought she had a week to collect 20 signatures and submit them by an Aug. 10 deadline.

Later that day, a council member told her the deadline to submit information was wrong

Deadline corrected and was instead due the same day

Summerlee discovered the Aug. 10 date was accurate, but by then it was too late for her to run.

Dennis Ritter, city manager at the time, said officials misread state election deadlines.

"What happened is she (the clerk) saw 'village' in the 'Important Dates and Filing Deadlines' list from the Secretary of State's office," Ritter told *The Clarkston News*.

Ritter also said it was a simple mistake and assured it would not happen again, but it did just a year later.

In 2011, a public notice printed in the July 13 edition of *The Clarkston News* said nominating petitions were due Aug 16. Soon after, the deadline was changed to Aug. 2 to meet the City Charter date.

Lori Bourbonias of the Michigan Secretary of State Bureau of Elections said the Military Overseas Empowerment (MOVE) Act of 2010 changed filing dates for city office seats.

MOVE was created to ensure military members and overseas voters had enough time to cast their votes and be counted.

However, the law doesn't affect Clarkston because the city election is non-partisan, meaning no official political party is listed on the ballot. MOVE only impacts partisan municipalities, generally larger cities.

After the 2011 election, City Attorney Tom Ryan said the city was allowed to set petition filing deadlines earlier, but not later than the date set by state law.

State election officials concluded the city should follow the date set by City Charter.

After the 2011 debacle, Ritter said when state law and the City Charter conflict, the issue should be addressed by officials. However, no change have ever been made.

Clarkston City Manager Carol Eberhardt said the city charter dates take precedence.

Nominating petitions for city council and mayor positions are available at City Hall. Deadline for the petitions is 4 p.m. on Aug. 5.

For more information, contact City Clerk Sandy Miller at millers@villageofclarkston.org or call City Hall at 248-625-1559.

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À 50/50 raffle will also be held to benefit the Clarkston Football Program.

New this year ñ the ability to register and pay online by going to www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/football/golfouting.

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State Champion Football team is back in action as they trade their blue and gold jerseys for pink and light blue for their Sixth Annual Football for a Cure, their pre-season scrimmage, on Saturday, Aug. 16 at 7 p.m.

T-shirts and jerseys are currently available. The cost to purchase a jersey is \$100 and it is an extra \$50 for a name plate. The deadline for jerseys is July 29.

Please visit Clarkston Football for a Cure on www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/football for more information.

Startstocking up on food - the gridiron heroes 17th Annual Rush for Food is **Friday**, **Aug. 22.**

Public Safety For Clarkston and Independence Township

Domestic violence

A 43-year-old Independence Township man had a cut on his throat and redness on his cheek after an argument turned physical with his ex-wife, 1:01 p.m., July 5, in the 6000 block of Maybee Road. The ex-wife, a 34-year-old Independence Township woman, said they had a fight in which she was choked, but had no sign of injury. The altercation was during the exchange of their two children, so the case was forwarded to Child Protective Services and submitted to the Oakland County prosecutor for review.

Home burglaries

A mountain bike taken from a garage left open and unattended in the 5000 block of Maybee Road, July 8.

Copper fence ornaments were taken from a yard in the 4000 block of Iroquois Boulevard, July 8.

Tax scam

A 68-year-old Independence Township resident received a phone message from someone claiming to represent the IRS saying she was under criminal investigation for money laundering and tax fraud, July 8. She called back and spoke to someone who said she owed \$3,465 in back taxes. She asked for the callerís name and said she was going to call a lawyer, and he hung up.

Traffic trouble

A 40-year-old Independence Township man and 23-year-old Independence Township man were both were cited for disorderly conduct, 10:13 p.m., July 8. When the younger man pulled into a S. River Road parking lot, the other man yelled at him to slow down and the driver peeled away. He said the older man pounded on his windshield and made threats, but witnesses said they didnit see that.

Thefts from vehicles

Two pairs of sunglasses were taken from an unlocked SUV in the 5000 block of Princess Lane, July 6

A backpack with credit cards and driver's license, and about \$50 were taken from a truck parked unlocked in the 6000 block of Tappon Drive, July 6.

A camera, video camera, and computer tablet were taken from an unlocked vehicle in the 6000 block of Princess Lane, July 7.

A driver left her keys and wallet in her car, thinking it would be OK because she would be in the backyard, 11:21 p.m., July 9, on Golfview at Spring Lake Boulevard. When she was ready to go home, she found her keys and wallet, filled with gift cards, \$115 in case, and driver's license, were gone.

Vandalism

Residents in the 7000 block of Andersonville Road were awakened by the sound of broken glass in another room, 11:07 p.m., July 11. They found a window broken out and a small log on the floor. One resident reported seeing a large man running away from the house at the time.

Equipment taken from shed

Someone broke the padlock off a shed and took a mini motor bike, chainsaw, electric welder and extension cords from a home in the 5000 block of Greenview Drive, July 13.

Jewelry theft

About \$10,000 in jewelry, purses and other items were taken from a home in the 6000 block of Oakhurst Ridge Road, July 13. Residents found damage to the door jamb of a garage entry door.

Neighborhood violence

A 21-year-old Independence Township man was arrested for felony attempted home invasion and misdemeanor malicious destruction of property, 2:05 p.m., July 16, in the 5000 block of Paramus. After sending text messages to a 23-year-old Paramus resident threatening to beat him with a golf club, the suspect tried to smash his way into the home with a steel bar but was unable to. The resident called police.

Drunk driver

A 37-year-old Independence Township man was jailed for drunk driving, third offense, after rear-ending a vehicle at Sashabaw and Waldon roads, 7:32 p.m., July 16. He was charged with drunk driving in 1995 in Novi and 2002 in Clarkston, and also had an open intoxicants charge in 2012 in Clarkston. Preliminary breath test result was .31, and was taken in for a blood test as well.

Copper theft

A deputy patrolling the 4900 block of Maybee Road saw a suspicious vehicle and a man run into a building, 3:01 a.m., July 18. The suspect, a 30-year-old Auburn Hills man, exited and admitted he was stealing copper. A second suspect, a 29-year-old Auburn Hills woman, was inside the building. Both were taken into custody. Animal control responded to take custody of two large dogs in the car. A search of the suspects revealed a 600-foot roll of copper wire and other items which had been removed from the buildings. A business representative identified the copper in the vehicle as belonging to the business. Both subjects were jailed, pending issuance of warrants.

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Hunter Carene practices dodging during the second day of camp.

Learning lacrosse

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

One-by-one the group of six practiced the dodging techniques they learned during Lacrosse Camp.

iThey taught me a lot I didnit know like shooting, catching and throwing, i Ethan Martin said.

iltis nice,î Jaime Jenkins added about the three day camp. il learned about dodges and techniques like splits.î

The camp was the second session in which boys entering grades 2-8 worked on their lacrosse skills and put them into practice during daily games.

Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach Brian Kaminskas added they had a mix of new players and experienced players.

iSome are just exploring,î he said. iOnce we put a stick in a kidis hand we have them for at least a few years.î

The boys learned fundamentals such as shooting, passing, catching, dodging, scooping, offense and defense.

They also leave with an individual skill they can work on at home.

The boys also learn from current and past Clarkston players who were once at the camp.

iAll the coaches out here say I remember when I was at this camp,î Kaminskas explained. iYou see their success. It starts the development. It starts here. They are learning how to play together and forming friendships.î

The camp was also offered in June for five days. For more information, please visit www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/athletics.

iAt the end of the day they have fun,î Kaminskas smiled. iIf you canit have fun in the summer - whatis the point?î

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK National All-Star

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Itis not every day an athlete is chosen as an All-Star but it is what happened when 12-year-old Davisburg resident Michael Bednarczyk traveled to Kentucky, July 4-10.

Bednarczyk and his team, Tri City Lightning, playing in the Youth Baseball Nationals as one of 25 teams to participate in the tournament.

He hit .650 and played error-less fielding at third base. Runners trying to steal second and third base didnít make it when Bednarczyk was on the field as he threw out several runners, spoiling their attempts.

Bednarczyk was chosen by the national tournament committe as an All-Star Third Baseman for his offensive and defensive statistics.

il was really shocked,î Bednarczyk admitted. il received a nice medal and it was overwhelming. It was really cool.î

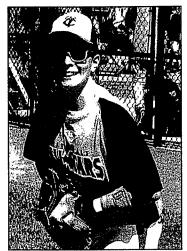
His parents, Mathew and Laurie, added they were proud of his achievements.

il couldnit be prouder, Laurie said. iHe makes me smile. He has a lot of charisma and team spirit. When things get down at a game, he is not one to throw his bat, gloves or helmet down when de does bad or someone else does bad. He keeps his head held up high. He never lets his team spirit down.

She added he is also shows great sportsmanship towards the opposing team as well.

iHe will always say great hit or talk to the coaches and say you have some good players on your team,î Laurie explained. iHe is always interacting with the other team and showing positive support for them as well.î

Michael said playing in the nationals was really cool and the All-Star game was fun.



Bednarczyk

i We could do whatever we wanted,î he added. iLike if we were up to bat we could bunt, steal randomly, or just whatever made you feel comfortable in the game.î

He finished the season with Lightning, his summer travel team, last Thursday and will start his fall league in mid-August with Jason Thompson Baseball out of Auburn Hills

He added when he is in between leagues he keeps playing. He practices and keeps honing his skills to get ready for the next season

iHe is a hard worker. He goes over and beyond the call of duty when it comes to practice,î Laurie added. iHe will practice and play tournaments all week long. Then, he will come home and still want to throw the ball around with his dad to improve on anything he needs to improve on.î

Michael began playing baseball with Tball when he was 4-years-old. He plays his favorite sport all year long.

ilt is just a fun sport,î he said. il love throwing the ball and I really like hitting.î



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Football for Cure makes difference for local patient

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston gridiron heroes host their Sixth Annual Football for a Cure to raise money for McLaren Breast Center and McLaren Cancer Institute in Clarkston, Aug. 16. In this week's edition we sit down with a patient from McLaren.

When Clarkston resident Sheri McDonnell was helping McLaren Breast Center and McLaren Cancer Institute in Clarkston with their annual fall event, she didn't know she had breast cancer.

"It was kind of ironic," McDonnell said. "Here I was running around and I had it."

She added she had an appointment with a doctor because she noticed her left breast was getting bigger. But the soonest she could make the appointment was December.

"It didn't feel like a lump at first - it just started getting bigger," she said, adding she didn't know if it was genetic because family members had cancer or from medication she was taking.

Regardless, she made an appointment and by the time the appointment arrived, it was feeling like more than just a lump and had an abnormal mass.

After the mammogram, she was sent for an biopsy where they found lymph nodes in two different spots testing positive for estrogen positive - HER2 - breast

"They said this type is so fast you can have a mammogram and it won't show up. Then, six months later, it can be there," McDonnell said.

She had treatments of chemotherapy to shrink down the lymph node before going into surgery, July 21.

"I have never had surgery in my life," she added. "I have never been under

anesthesia. I am scared to death to have this surgery not to mention lose my breasts."

She will then have radiation, which she plans to have at McLaren Breast Center and McLaren Cancer Institute before she begins taking Herceptin once a month to battle HER2.

"I love McLaren," McDonnell smiled, explaining she has gone to them from the beginning.

She was sent to St. Joseph Hospital by her doctor for her cancer treatment but she didn't feel it was right for her.

"I came to McLaren on my own," McDonnell said.

She knew the center because she had helped Mary Melega, from the Independence Township Senior Center, for the last few years with Pink & Pampered and she knew Deanna Hart, Patient Navigator for McLaren.

She was introduced to the nurses for her first appointment.

"The nurses are great - like Geri and Deb," she smiled. "They are awesome. They worked with me on nausea medication or anything given before infusions. We tried different things until I would feel the best I could because the medication that was supposed to make me feel better for nausea was causing me problems. It got to the point I was hardly taking anything. Geri even gave me her book from when she took a class on breast cancer. I learned about everything."

She chuckled calling it the whole process Casual Chemo.

"Everything is casual," McDonnell said, adding a great example is when she has to give blood once a week and they give her a day and a time frame to come in.

"It is very laid back which is good because I was a little overwhelmed when I went to St. Joe's. Even in the waiting room



Sheri McDonnell

I was uncomfortable there," she said. "It is hard to explain. It was a lot more tense. It is a scary thing when you have cancer. I just wasn't comfortable. I came here to McLaren and I was immediately comfortable."

She added McLaren has a lot of great events including Pink & Pampered and Look Good/Feel Good.

"It made me feel good because I could help because I went to cosmetology school when I was younger," McDonnell said. "There was a girl there I helped with her makeup. McLaren does a lot of good things. They have a wig room, too."

McDonnell admits having cancer has changed her life and she isn't doing things she was doing before.

She received her Art History degree in 2012 and after a few internships at the Detroit Institute of Arts Museum she was working there.

"Right before Christmas I quit because I knew I couldn't do it," she said. "I couldn't drive all the way downtown and go through all this treatment.

"I thought 'finally, I had kids. I had been going to school periodically my whole life. I am done with school and working at the DIA.' Boom. I am now at home going to doctor's appointments and going through chemo. Some people do work and maybe if I was closer I would. It was my dream job. We will see what happens."

She is an artist mostly working with encaustic paint and hasn't done a lot with it in the past year.

"I haven't felt good and I work with a blow torch. It's a bit toxic. I just started to do a few things in the last month or so and finishing up a few things. I am hoping when the surgery is over I can do a few more things. I know Depot Street Arts has started up. I havenit gone yet but I am hoping. We will see what happens when this is over," she said.

She is looking forward to the upcoming Football for a Cure when the Clarkston Varsity Football team plays to raise money for McLaren.

"It is wonderful they do it," McDonnell said. "For a high school aged student it is above and beyond. I know. I have a 16-year-old. There is a level of not quite getting what is going on with me. Young people should be aware of cancer because it is happening to their parents, their grandparents, other family members. It raises awareness with an age group to make it less scary for them, too. Young people involved is a good thing."

She invites the community to go to the event to cheer on the players, Aug. 16 at the high school stadium at 7 p.m.

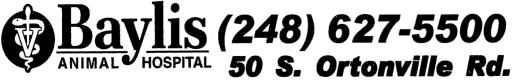
"Cancer effects everyone," she said.
"At one point of your life you are going to be personally effected. To come out and help does so much more good than you realize.

"Having cancer you do tend to feel alone," she continued. "Having the support you have from the community, your friends, your family, your doctors means a lot."



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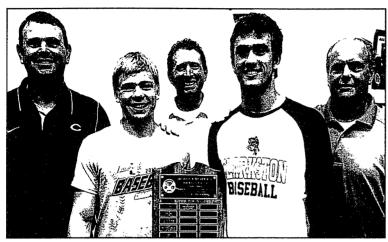
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From left, Clarkston Varsity Baseball Head Coach Phil Price, Jacob Armstrong, Assistant Coach John Drallos, David Steward and Assistant Coach Doug Brady.

Steve Howe scholars

Four athletes received the Steve Howe Memorial Scholarship Award for 2014.

Mackenzie King and Rachel Alli, from Clarkston Varsity Softball, and Jacob Armstrong and David Steward, from Clarkston Varsity Baseball, received the awards.

The awards are given annually to Clarkston athletes who demonstrate superior sportsmanship and athletic ability.

The award is based on recommendations by the current baseball and softball coaches and, Dan Fife, the athletic director at Clarkston High School.

Steve Howe led the Clarkston Wolves to the 1976 State Championship prior to being an All-American at the University of Michigan, National League Rookie of the Year in 1980. He pitched professionally for 16 years mainly with the Los Angeles Dodgers and the NY Yankees.

Howe passed away in an automobile accident in 2006 and the following year marked the first year the Steve Howe Memorial Scholarship Award was given out.

"We have been giving this award for eight years now," said brother, Chris, adding 21 players have received the award.

"As far as we know, all of the receipiants have continued their education and played college sports. We have met some really great kids and wonderful families by handing out this award."

Chris added Steve loved Clarkston base-

"Even after winning a World Series he said one of his favorite sports moments was winning the 1976 High School State Championship 'because all of those guys were the friends he grew up with.' We are so grateful we are able to do something for this great sport and some wonderful kids."



From left, Rachel Alli, Clarkston Varsity Softball Head Coach Don Peters. Mackenzie King and Chris Howe. Photos submitted



FROM THE WATERS TO THE ROADS: After cleaning up their boats made out of duct tape and cardboard on July 12, the students from Team RUSH 27 headed off to clean up a bigger project. They picked up all the big pieces and small pieces of trash along a 2.5 mile stretch along Sashabaw Road, July 13. Photo provided





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Jennifer Tucker, director of Parks and Recreation for Springfield Township, is proud of the work they do.

The department also received state recognition ñ Michigan Recreation and Parks Association awards for 2014 Best Single Brochure, Best Special Brochure, Park Leadership Award and 2014 Best Nature Program.

The awards were presented at the July 10 Springfield Township Board meeting by Ann Conklin, chief operating executive for Michigan Recreation and Parks Association.

The 2013 spring and summer brochure won 2014 Best Single Brochure with its local pictures, layout, information about wildlife and conservations, and overall quality.

i We are proud of that particular brochure,î Tucker said. ilt was something that people could refer to often.î

The Davisburg Heritage Festival tri-fold brochure won MRPAis Best Special Brochure. Moreau Creative laid both of those brochures out.

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> iPeople loved the festival, i said Tucker. With a small budget, winning the four

awards highlights what the Springfield Township Parks and Recreation can do, the director said.

i Weire lucky to have a fantastic staff, î she said. ìEveryday is a great day to come into work.î

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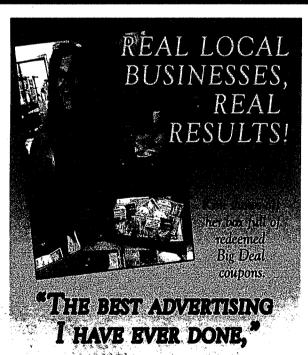




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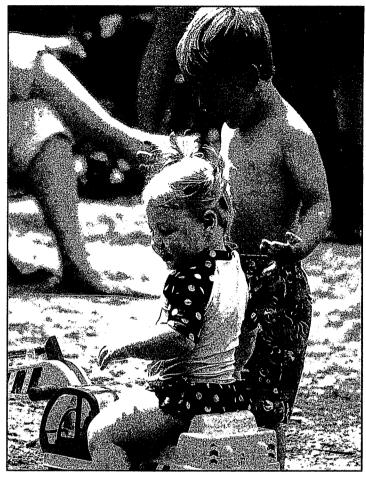
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FUN IN THE SUN: Vivian Hyer and her brother and Steve Hyer III enjoy fine weekend weather, July 12, on the Deer Lake beach. *Photo by Wendi Reardon*

State investigation continues

Continued from page 1 his complaints, violated FOIA laws and withheld records.

In February, Eberhardt implied Johnstonis communications with her were excessive and scary. After comments were published in *The Clarkston News*, Johnston sought legal council to deal with what he claimed was false accusations of harassment, stalking, mental illness and threatening violence. Johnston said he felt Eberhardtis comments would hurt his reputation and his career as a self-employed engineer.

Sources confirmed records, considered to be public, were destroyed after Johnstonis attorney requested relevant documents backing Eberhardtis claims. A FOIA was underway when the records were allegedly deleted. No documents, which included complaints about city matters, were produced.

Johnston said he is shocked city council never addressed or acknowledged any issues he complained about, or that they did not distance themselves from Eberhardtis comments.

iThe city council goes along with all of this as if none of it matters,î he said.

Johnston said many times all he wanted was an apology. After waiting months and not receiving one, he went to authorities so they could investigate if any laws were broken

In the July 2 edition of *The Clarkston News*, Johnston said he had turned information over to police.

iI am going to turn over what I have to the Oakland County Sheriff and Michigan State Police to see if they think it is worth investigating. I have no idea what they will do but one way or another we will find out if anyone cares if a government behaves in a honest, legal and proper manner, î he said.

Eberhardt, was asked to comment on this story, but did not respond.

Early this week Johnston said a detective from Michigan State Police informed him they are taking the case.

Johnston, who refers to the issue as iClarkstongate,î said he is just waiting to see what state police will do with the issue.



GRAND OPENING: Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce members, and other local leaders, friends, and family gather to celebrate the grand opening of the newly renovated Pine Knob Wine Shoppe, 5726 Maybee Road, with a ribbon cutting, July 11. Call 248- 625-2070. Photo by Phil Custodio

Junior Olympian

Clarkston resident Bo Anderson claimed the championship in the turbo javelin event during the AAU National Qualifier, July 5-6.

He also took second place in the 1,500-meter run and fourth place in the 800-meter run.

Anderson went to the qualifier with the Waza Track club and was one of 25 from the club competing to qualify for the Junior Olympics National Championship meet, which begins this Saturday and runs to next week.

Waza members joined 800 athletes from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and several states.

Anderson also finished as state championship in the 1,500-meter run during the Michigan AAU District Championship Track and Field meet, June 14 and 15.

He finished as state runnerup in the 800-meter run and the turbo javelin.



Rachel Vale sports a sundress for the summer.

Summer time for fun outfits

BYLAURA DUCHARME

Special to the Clarkston News

Not sure what to wear this summer? Here are some top trends to look for.

High-waisted shorts will be a staple in everyone's wardrobe this summer. They are perfect for just about any occasion, from hanging out with your family to having a nice night out with friends. You can dress casual with a pair of jean high-waisted shorts and a t-shirt. Pair this with low top converse and you're ready to relax for the day.

For a night out with friends, you will want to dress up your shorts. Black high-waisted shorts and a fitted shirt will look classy. Add a bold necklace and a pair heeled boots to finish off the look.

Maxi skirts will be seen all over town. The light fabric is perfect for the summer and makes you look more dressed up than your average jeans and t-shirt outfit. Since the skirts are longer you will want to wear a crop top or tank top with them so you won't get too warm in the summer sun.

If your skirt is a solid color you can have fun with the top and wear a pattern or bold jewelry. A great way to add a fun touch is to wear a patterned skirt. A black and tan stripped maxi skirt with a black tank top can be worn to just about any occasion.

"Maxi's are the perfect summer staple," said Angie Thon of Clarkston. "They are super comfortable, they can be dressed up with super cute wedges or dressed down with flip flops, they're cute and they're cheap!"

As usual, sundresses are essential this summer. With so many different styles and colors available there is one that fits everyone's style. Sundresses also come in different lengths, so you can wear a short dress or a maxi dress. Depending on the occasion, you can dress up your sundress with heels or keep it casual with sandals.

"I love sundresses because it's quick, cute and comfy," said Marianna Kilbourne of Clarkston.

This summer is all about bold accessories so experiment with a bubble necklace, midi



Lexi Downes stays cool with jean high-waisted shorts.

ring or a cuff earring. Bold accessories require simple outfits, so if you outfit has many patterns on it, go with simple jewelry instead.

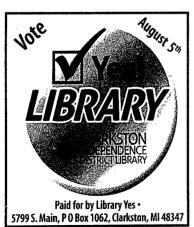
For makeup, it is best to stick with a natural look. Instead of wearing foundation, wear a BB cream. This lighter formula is perfect for those hot summer days. A little bit of bronzer will help give off the "bronze goddess" look.

For eyes, wear a light-colored eye shadow with a bit of mascara to help brighten your eyes. If you want to wear eyeliner then apply it to your tightline so it looks more natural. Remember to curl your eyelashes before you apply your mascara to make them look longer.

Hair his summer is all about the beach look. If your hair is naturally wavy or curly, then just apply a bit of texturizing spray to add definition. If your hair is straight then create messy curls with a curling wand. Spray your hair with hairspray after to make sure it holds all day and you're done.



Alexis Nedani's maxi skirt and tank top is a perfect summer outfit. *Photos* by Laura DuCharme









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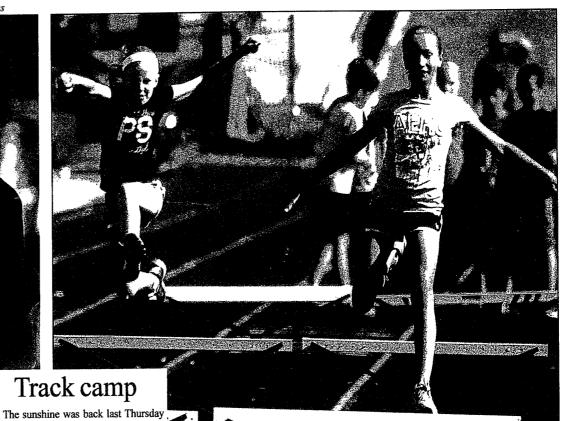


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Tristan Mattson picks up speed as he runs. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Emma Neumann and Molly Hoffman race in the hurdles.



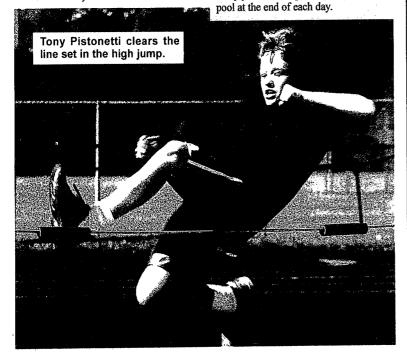
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Clarkston High School students who participate in the events every spring. John Yorke, head coach for the high school girls track and field team, added like

every year the campers enjoy going to the





Jason and Anna Pliska of Davisburg and their two sons have supported the event from the very first year.

Scoopers help heart research.

BYLAURA DUCHARME

Special to the Clarkston News

Culver's of Clarkston partnered with Oakland County Parks and Recreation to raise money for the Children's Heart Foundation Michigan Chapter, July 15.

Family-friendly activities at the 5th annual Scoop for Hearts fundraiser included face painting and balloon twisting. Oakland County Parks and Recreation provided giant inflatables with slides and Planet Kids Premiere Academy provided a bounce house for smaller children.

Profits from this event go towards research to help fight congenital heart defects (CHD), raise awareness of CHD in Michigan and advocate for families. In previous years, this event raised between \$2,000 and \$5,000.

"It's been amazing to see Culver's guests return for the event each year and support what we're doing at The Children's Heart Foundation," said Sally Powers, president of The Children's Heart Foundation Michigan Chapter and a mother of a 5-year-old son with a CHD. "You can see the community's outpouring of support inside the restaurant, as they've decorated the

walls with donated hearts. We're very grateful to be part of the Clarkston community, where businesses and organizations like Oakland County Parks and Recreation partner for causes that are important to its citizens. OCPR's festival inflatables are the event's main attraction!"

CHD's are more common than people realize, Powers said. It is the leading cause of infant death in the US, as well as the leading birth defect. With over 40 different types of heart defects there is no known cure for any of them. Advancements have been made in the last 10 years, though. With more research, death rates have declined by 30%.

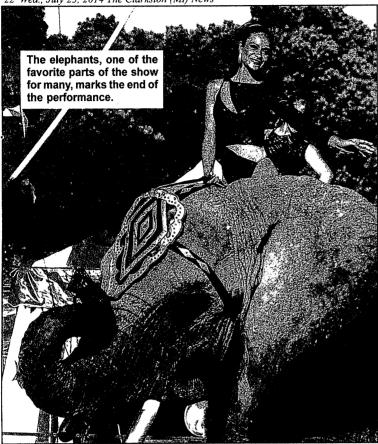
The Children's Heart Foundation has chapters across the country. The non-profit organization came to Michigan in 2010 and has different fundraisers throughout the year. Scoop for Hearts is a great cause that helps many families, including families in Mid-Michigan, Power said.

Her son, Sam, was 2 days old when the murmur in his heart was detected. Powers and her husband were informed that Sam had. Aortic Stenosis. His aortic valve was preventing oxygenated blood from pumping from his heart to the rest of his body. He had three heart surgeries in his first year. Organizations like The Children's Heart Foundation help families, such as Sam's, by continuously doing research and promoting awareness of CHD.

Their efforts continue with the Congenital Heart Walk on Sunday, Sept. 28, at Depot Park. Last year's walk nationwide raised \$108,000



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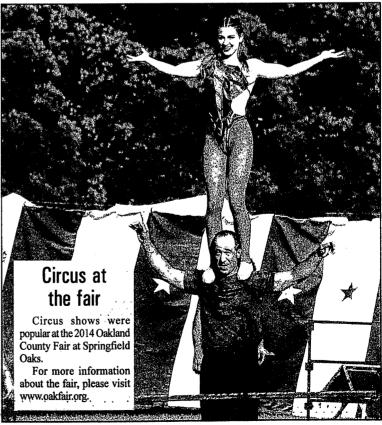
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Fondest summer memory?



"My fondest memory is my son getting married in Depot Park in 2003. There was even a new story about it in *The Clarkston News* back in 2003. I contacted the newspaper and said since it is the first wedding in the gazebo it might be an interesting story. We have lived in Clarkston since the 1950s'.

- Lila Rall



"My son getting married in Depot Park in the gazebo. They were the first couple married there."

- Terry Ball



"My wedding in Depot Park in 2003. My husband also proposed to me in the gazebo, so that's why we got married here. I have fond memories of the park, and always think of it when my family and I drive down here all the time. Since we got married we have had five kids. We also took our 10 year anniversary photos in Depot Park."

- Mrs. Ball, and her five children



"Playing in the river right here in Depot Park when I was a kid. I used to play in the river right by the bridge."

- Steve Ball

By Andrea Beaudoin

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Karate black belt learns defense, discipline

RY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Blake Berry of Davisburg had a goal – earn his black belt in Tang Soo Do Karate before his ninth birthday.

He made it with weeks to spare.

"We are so very proud of Blake," said his mother, Julie Berry. "Blake's dedication and hard work allowed him to accomplish this incredible goal."

Blake, who lives in Davisburg with his parents, Julie and Kurt Berry, and his brother Ryan, tested and received his black belt at Master Serrato's Studio on June 21.

"It was good – I broke all my boards and I broke my brick," he said.

He practices every other day if not every day, and looks forward to competing on the school team as a black belt, in sparring, forms, and weapons.

"I've been to a couple of them. I'm not too nervous," he said.

For his weapon, he specializes in the bo staff.

"I thought it's a common weapon, and it looked cool when others were using it. You can do lots of tricks with it, spin it, throw up in the air, and catch it," he said.

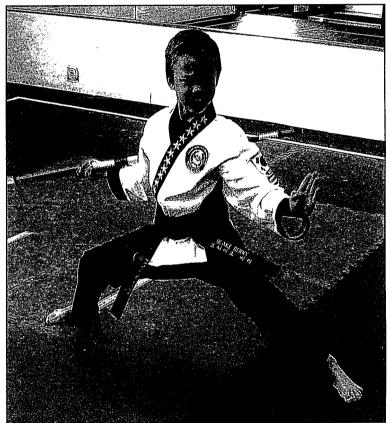
He plans to study Karate at least two more years and earn some wins at competitions. If he stays with it until he is 16 years old, he can test for his adult black helt.

His journey started over four years ago. Blake is one of the youngest students to obtain a black belt at the studio.

"Mom wanted me to know self defense,"
Blake said. "Master Serrato is a great teacher.
He helps me with everything I do here."

His Karate training has taught him how to defend himself, focus better in school, and self discipline, and helps him earn the respect of others.

He is a Springfield Plains Elementary



Blake Berry, a black belt in Karate, practices a form using the bo staff. Photo by Phil Custodio

student, heading into the fourth grade. In addition to karate, he enjoys lacrosse, football, piano, golf, swimming, skiing, and video games.

His goals also include playing lacrosse at Princeton University, becoming a professional football player, getting married, raising a family, and getting rich. Karate awards so far include the 2012 HSMA Invitational, third place sparring, third place forms; 2014 Dragon Champion Challenge, fourth place weapons, fourth place forms, fourth place sparring; 2014 Renaissance Tournament, first place weapons, third place sparring; and 2012, 2013 HSMA, Academic Excellence Award.



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Candidate forum for 43rd District state representative, 9-11 a.m., July 24, Clarkston Schools administration building, 6389 Clarkston Road.

50th Year Class Reunion, Clarkston High School class of 1964, 6 p.m., July 25, White Lake Oaks Golf Course, 991 N Williams Lake Road, \$49. All class years invited. RSVP, cherylcobb@cox.net or 602-616-6092. Potluck picnic, 2 p.m., July 26, Depot Park. All CHS alumni welcome. Bring a dish to pass or just drop in.

Open auditions, Clarkston Village Players, "Mrs. Mannerly,"7 p.m., Aug. 3-4, roles for man age 25-45, woman age 55+; "Fool for Love" by Sam Shepard, 7 p.m., Sept. 7-8, roles for woman age 25-35, two men age 25-35, and man age 55+. Depot Theatre, 4861 White Lake Road. 248-425-5842.

Car Care 101, 6:15 p.m., Aug. 6, 20, Sept. 10, Bowman Chevrolet, 6750 Dixie Highway. Free, educational class on checking fluids, changing tire, getting under the hood, hands on, taught by two master technicians. Email jnagle@bowmanchevy.com.

15-year reunion, Clarkston High School Class of 1999, 4-7 p.m., Aug. 9, family-friendly picnic at Baycourt Park, clarkston 1999@gmail.com.

Golf Outing Fund raiser, Helping Hearts Helping Hands, 9 a.m., Aug. 16, Fountains Golf Course, 6060 Maybee Road. Prizes, raffle, awards. \$110/golfer, \$30/dinner only. 268-625-3731.

Hero Foundation Golf Outing, 9 a.m., Aug. 23, Heather Highlands Golf Club, 9028 E. Holly Road. \$95, \$35/dinner only. Benefits local families struggling with cancer. 248-674-0051

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 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 Parkís 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.

Around Town

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



TRUCKS IN THE PARK: Tons of Trucks returns to Clintonwood park on Saturday, Aug. 9, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The Independence Township Parks and Rec event features Smithis recycling truck, big rigs, police cruisers, fire trucks, and other vehicles for children to check out. Admission is \$5 per child, free for adults. Call 248-625-8223.

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 through Aug. 20, 6:30-7:45 p.m., Clarkston Specialty Healthcare Community Room. 248-625-8231.

FOP Post 132, third Monday, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 63, Ortonville Road.

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, 6:30 p.m., Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road. 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.

Meet and Greet, Bethany North Oakland, 6:30 p.m., July 9, Deer Lake Athletic Club, 6167 White Lake Road. Dancing, music with Lisa and Eric. 248-625-8686.

Thursday

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

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

Office hours, Clarkston City Councilman Mike Sabol, third Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Village Bakery, 10 S. Main Street.

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

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

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

Free General Support Group for any type of cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.

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

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

Saturday

Project Kidsight, Clarkston Area Lions Club, second Saturday, 10 a.m. -12 p.m., Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Photos taken of childís eyes to check for potential vision problems. Immediate results. Free. 248-625-2212, www.clarkstonlions.org.

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



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Letter to the Editor . . . Thanks for help with Fourth of July

Dear Editor.

Our fourth annual Independence Fest Veterans Celebration in Clintonwood Park on July 4 was bigger and better than ever.

We had more military exhibits in the Carriage House covering all of the wars from WWII until recent.

Back by popular demand was T.J. Craven who entertained a large crowd with his patriotic music and opened our Veterans Ceremony with the National Anthem. In the afternoon the North Oakland Dixieland Band performed on the main stage.

The weather was perfect for us to honor all of our veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers and staff for their hard work.

Special thanks to our Planning and Organizing Committee Members-MC-Bart Clark, Jim Bolin-WWII Veteran, Gordy Cloutier, Phil Custodio, Richard Lash and Mary Melega. From our first celebration Don Cremer and American Legion Chief Pontiac Post #377 graciously provided their Honor Guard.

This year they were involved in the special dedication for our new flag pole in memory of John Cesarz, Korean War Veteran and an employee of the senior center for over 17 years.

Special thanks to Johnís wife Mary, children John III, Matt and Cindy and everyone who made donations in Johnís name to make his wish for a flag pole in front of the senior center a reality.

Our Master of Ceremony Bart Clark, Captain US Navy Retired did a wonderful job recognizing all of our veterans at this year's event. Special thanks to Phil Custodio, Desert Storm Veteran for leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Independence Township Supervisor Patrick Kittle read the special proclamation in honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War signed by the Township Board. This year Mrs. Michigan, Rebecca Scholten thanked every WWII Veterans for their service in the audience individually.

Thanks to all of our bakers who treated our veterans with homemade desserts for the special lunch that was provided in the Center by Pete's Coney II.

We really appreciate all of the individuals who displayed their military items in the Carriage House especially Richard Lash, Vietnam Veterans of America Oakland County Chapter #133 and his members. Without all of our staff and volunteers that day we would not have been able to have such a successful event: Sandy Bailey, Jim Bolin, Diane Brozovich, Bart Clark, Phil Custodio, Rosie Landry, Larry Larson, Richard Lash, Carolyn Morrison, Lois Seddon and Sue Shubert.

Thanks to all our special sponsors this year: Platinum Level Sponsor Peteis Coney II who graciously catered lunch for all of our veterans and their families. Gold Level Sponsors-Coats Funeral Home and Lockwood of Waterford and Silver Sponsor-Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home.

Without all of the support of everyone listed above we would not have been able to recognize our veterans in the way they deserve. I am grateful to everyone for their support.

Barbara Rollin, Senior Division Supervisor Independence Township Parks, Recreation & Seniors

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Obituaries

Henry Reamsma, 86

Henry J. Reamsma of Prudenville, Mich., went to be with the Lord July 16, 2014, at age 86.†

He was the loving husband of Jean; devoted father of Jerry (Linda) Romanowski, John (Peggy) Reamsma, Carol (Allan) Toswell, Sharon (Daniel) Flanders,



Mary Lou (Jon) Ellsworth, Peggy (Charles) Ulbrich, Colleen (Robert) Ostrander, Randy Reamsma, Sandra (Michael) Simon; brother of Elaine McGue, Weldon Reamsma and Sharlene Drake; also survived by 24 grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended family and friends; preceded in death by his daughter Christine (Ken) Wilson, sister Mary Page and granddaughter Dana Borgstrom.†

Funeral Service was July 19 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.†Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery.†Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Prudenville.†Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com

William E. Ward, 87

William E. Ward, iBill,î of West Bloomfield passed away July 20, 2014.

He was the loving husband of Margaret iBevî for 70 years; beloved father of Margaret (Jeff) Davis and Bill (Penny) Ward; grandfather of six; great grandfather of nine and great great grandfather of three; brother of Jeannette (Conrad) Kellner, Barbara (George) Timpf and James Ward.†

Bill retired from GM and was an UAW International Union Representative.†He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Funeral Service, Thursday, 10 a.m., at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit, Wednesday, 3-5 and 7-9 p.m.†Inumment Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly.†Memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association or Wounded Warrior Project.†Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

Religion Events Preaching

Find grace even in a gift shop

This past fourth of July, I did what the majority of pastors do, I took that Sunday off and I spent time with my family in

One of the things that we planned to do when we were in Florida was to visit Universal Studios.

My wife and I have a lot of history at

that park, in fact, in 2003 we won the grand prize, a free trip to Universal Studios in Hollywood.

Our past history told us two things, we could count on the fact that it would be very hot and there would be a lot of people.

What we failed to realize was the day that we decided to go, happened to be the same day that the new Harry Potter ride would open.



Spiritual

Matters

Pastor Matthew Webster

A man that I met that day told me his family paid extra money to be able to enter the park early, before the gates opened to ride the new ride. The update that he gave me was that after 8 hours of waiting in line they still hadnít been on the ride yet. Now, that is some serious devotion.

In my time at the park I was able to do a lot of people watching. My daughter and I would camp out in the gift shop waiting for my wife and my son to exit from the ride.

I use to think the idea of having riders pass through the gift shop after a ride ended was a brilliant money making idea but what I noticed was the ones who were actually doing most of the purchasing, usually werenit riders getting off a ride but those who were drawn into the store from the

Those who had just been on the ride, had waited in an air conditioned building, and with adrenaline still pumping through their bodies they passed right through the gift shops onto the next ride.

The majority of those who spent any time in the shop at all, were either family members waiting for their loved ones who had plenty of time to waste in the shop, or passeróbyers who had not planned on

entering the store until the feeling of air conditioning drew them right in.

It is amazing that they actually keep the air conditioned store doors open the entire time the park is open. Once you are overheated, and you are in that air conditioned room you don't want to leave, so you stay and you shop and eventually

Before you know it you have just purchased an E.T. stuffed animal that you get to lug around the park, which gets you hotter faster and then the process of finding yourself in another gift shop starts all over

The Universal Studios gift shops reminds me a lot of what the church Jesus established should be like. In life, there are many who are weary, who have been beaten and battered by the hardships of life.

They are searching everywhere for relief from the demands of life and every passing day they go without finding rest for their souls, they become more and more drained.

C.S. Lewis said iMost people, if they had really learned to look into their own hearts, would know that they do want, and want acutely, something that cannot be had in this world. There are all sorts of things in this world that offer to give it to you, but they never quite keep their promise.î

What believers in Jesus have found is life, and in becoming a believer, the Holy Spirit enters our hearts so that wherever we go, we can help those who are far from God experience life in Christ. For those who are seeking peace, we know who the Prince of

For those who feel there is no hope for them, we can share with them that they can have a relationship with the God of hope, who promises to fill you with all joy and peace, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in the hope that you lack. May we as the church, the people of God, be for others, like the air conditioning to the tired theme park goers, drawing in the tired and the weary so they experience the refreshing new life that is found in

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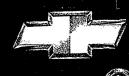
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- Reduce the state use tax and replace with a local community stabilization share of the tax for the purpose of modernizing the tax system to help small businesses grow and create jobs in Michigan.
 Require Local Community Stabilization Authority
-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

Should this law be approved?

Yes

AND for the purpose of voting on the following Township proposal:
RENEWAL OF POLICE SERVICES OPERATING MILL-

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 this proposal 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 Townshipis Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority. The amount dis bursed to the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority shall be collected only from properties within the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority Dis-

Yes

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 Dis trict 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 Inde pendence 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

The polling place locations for said election are as fol-

PRECINCT # POLLING LOCATION

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

For assistance in determining the accessibility of the nolling place locations and the availability of voting instructions in alternative formats such as audio and Braille, please contact the Township Clerkis office.

Absent voter ballots may be obtained by contacting Township Clerk

Charter Township of Independence 6483 Waldon Center Dr Clarkston, Michigan 48346

The Clerk, or the Clerkis designee, will be available in the Clerkis office on the Saturday preceding the election, August 2, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. the dead line for requesting an absentee ballot which will be mailed.

For names of candidates or any other information, please contact the Township Clerk's Office at (248) 625-

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST FOR THE

PRIMARY ELECTION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Independence will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the computer equipment to be used for the tabulation of absentee and precinct ballots for the PRIMARY ELEC-TION to be held Tuesday, August 5, 2014

The test will take place at 10:00 AM, Tuesday, July 29, 2014 in the Township Hall Board Room, 6483 Waldon Center Dr. ñ Clarkston, Michigan 48346.

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CLARKSTON

PUBLIC NOTICE CLARKSTON CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON ARTEMUS M. PAPPAS VILLAGE HALL 375 DEPOT RD CLARKSTON MI 48346

NOMINATING PETITIONS NOVEMBER CITY ELECTION FOR OFFICES OF CITY COUNCIL

Registered voters in the City of the Village of Clarkston will be electing a Mayor for a two year term, three (3) City Council members for a two year term at an election to be held on Tuesday November 4, 2014

Nominating Petitions for the abo are available from the City Clerk, 375 Depot Road, and are due to be completed and returned to the Clerk on or before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2014. Petitions shall be signed by not less than twenty nor more than forty registered electors in the City of the Village of

PETITIONS RECEIVED AFTER 4:00 PM AUGUST 5, 2014 CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.

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

Note: Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of intent, available from the City Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday October 24, 2014.

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

Sandy Miller



NURTURING BEAUTY: Clarkston Farm and Garden Club volunteer Gail Reading waters plants in downtown Clarkston on Tuesday morning. The club plants and cares for all the planters in downtown Clarkston. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

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CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON ARTEMUS M. PAPPAS VILLAGE HALL 375 DEPOT ROAD CLARKSTON MI 48346 SUMMARY MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 9, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Hunter, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll: Present #Roth Haven Marsh Hunter Catallo Absent Luginski and Sabo

Motion: 148 N Main Site Plan Approval Agreement. No Decision made at this time.

Resolved by Haven Supported by Marsh. To amend the City Council Resolution dated December 11, 2010, to discontinue uploading audio recordings to the website Resolved by Haven Supported by Marsh. To place a link to the video/audio recording of the City of the Village of Clarkston Council meeting to the City website for Public access. All Aye.

Resolved by Haven, Supported by Roth, To amend the General Fund Budget FY14. Resolution is Adopted. solution: Resolved by Hunter Supported by Haven. To amend an Operating Millage Rate. All Aye

esolved by Hunter Supported by Haven. To approve the 2014 Tax Year Debt Retirement Millage Rate. All Resolved by Catallo Supported by Marsh, To adopt the

General Fund Budget for FY 2015. All Aye Resolved by Roth Supported by Haven. To adopt Major Roads Fund Budget for FY 2015. All Aye

Resolution: Resolved by Haven Supported by Catallo. To adopt Local Roads Fund Budget for FY 2015 All

Resolved by Catallo Supported by Haven to approve a purchase of a John Deere Tractor for 21,800.00. All

Resolved by Catallo Supported by Marsh. To adopt the payment schedule of a John Deere Tractor. All Aye Respectfully Submitted Sandy Miller

Student success

Rebecca A. Rogers of Clarkston is enrolled at Barry University as a Stamps Leadership Scholar.

She earned the four-year Stamps scholarship, worth up to \$198,000, including enrichment funds for international travel, research internships, and outdoor leadership experiences, through leadership, scholarship, perseverance, service, and creativity. She is the daughter of Nancy Nolin and John Rogers, and a Michigan Mock Trial State champion, Teen Court prosecutor, International Baccalaureate graduate, and Senior Scholar at Clarkston High School.

Rebecca was an Irish step dancer for the past 15 years, co-founder of Feed the Hungry at CHS, and a LGBTQ rights activist. She plans to study business.

Elizabeth Ridge of Clarkston is the recipient of the Dr. Jean M. Rutherford Scholarship at Northern Michigan University for the 2014-2015 academic year.

Clarkston students named to the Dean's Honor Roll or the Spring 2014 term at Lawrence Technological University include Terry Fahey, majoring in Civil Engineering; Bradley Finegan, Media Communication; Kenneth Fitzgerald, Architectural Engineering; and Sarah Keller, Architecture.





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Eight candidates vying for state representative seat

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston area voters will narrow the field of candidates for state representative and other offices, and decide the future of the library and other issues in the Aug. 5 primary.

Voters will narrow a field of eight candidates for Michigan District 43, a two-year term representing Independence Township, City of the Village of Clarkston, city of Lake Angelus and parts of Waterford.

During the August election, voters will select one candidate to represent the Republican and Democratic party for the Nov. 4 general election.

Vying for the Republican nomination are Jose Aliaga, Paul Greenawalt, Nate Knapper, Andrea Schroeder, and Jim Tedder. Running for the Democratic nomination are Neil Billington, Robin McGregor, and Dennis Ritter. The candidates responded to questionnaires submitted by the Clarkston News.

Jose Aliaga is an Independence Township trustee

"I worked to move the media-equipment for Public Access TV to Clarkston High for the students to use, saving us \$55,000. I motioned to lower our Cable Taxes. I voted 'Yes' to bring 120 manufacturing jobs to Clarkston," Aliaga said.

To fix the roads, he proposes a dedicated road fund and the sale of guaranteed Michigan Road Bonds to provide extra revenue.

"I'm a trusted Conservative, and I will not support new or higher taxes," he said. "My accomplishments and dynamic agenda establish me as the candidate most qualified to properly represent the 43rd district."



Aliaga

His main goals are economic growth and creating jobs.

"I will support policies that maintain a healthy business climate, with lower taxes and fewer business-crippling regulations, motivating more corporations to move here, while also making it easier for Michigan entrepreneurial start-ups," he said.

"I will sponsor a bill approving the new privately funded \$400 Million McLaren Hospital in Clarkston, which will bring 4,000 new jobs, revenue, and huge sales for local businesses. Also, my goal is to protect life and defend the Second Amendment."

Nate Knapper said effective service at the capitol requires a working knowledge of Lansing's legislative players and process.

"As an Assistant Attorney General, I routinely work with AG executives, gubernatorial staffers, and legislative leaders to shape public policy at the highest levels of state government," he said. "I have a proven record of effective service in Lansing. No other candidate in the race can claim such a record."

His main goals if elected include fixing

roads, facilitating job creation and focusing on school safety.

Road repair is a unanimous public concern

that must be addressed as soon as possible. Job creation remains an urgent priority that can be facilitated by lowering taxes and eliminating unnecessary regulations. And school safety is critical to ensuring the success of our students.



Knappei

Ultimately, elections are about the future. When citizens vote, they confer the responsibilities of leadership upon a candidate and trust in his ability to help usher in a brighter future for the district, he said

"That's why this 'New Wave in Republican Leadership' we've been talking about is so important – because it provides a concrete framework for meeting the challenges of tomorrow. The 'New Wave' represents a brand of public engagement that combines thorough preparation with strong conservative principles and a practical disposition. These elements empower leaders to bear up under the weight of responsibility conferred upon them," he said. "I want citizens to know that I feel the weight of responsibility that comes with asking them for their vote. It's a responsibility I take seriously. I also want them to know that my adoption of a prepared, principled, practical brand of engagement has equipped me to manage and surpass the expectations projected on today's political leaders. This form of engagement is the wave of the future. It's a wave our district will want to ride.

Andrea Schroeder said she is pro-jobs, pro-life, pro-family values, and pro-2nd Amendment Republican who believes "We the People" have to be in charge of our government

"As an Independence Township trustee, I

have worked hard to make government more accountable and to cut government spending. I am am developing a plan that will bring new ideas and insight to Lansing," she said. "Thework with our board to make sure information about our government operations is open,



Schroeder

transparent, and accessible. Our board packets, tax information, budget, and meeting videos are available online and on-demand."

She has demonstrated commitment to the community through leadership as the creator of the No Spice/K2 pledge, an active member of the Clarkston Optimists, a preschool teacher in my church, and also a successful career as a sales executive and full-time small business owner, along with prior experience as a teacher, she said.

"I'll use my skills and experience to help make our area and state a better more prosperous place to live," she said. "My primary goal is to go to Lansing to help Governor Snyder and the legislature create more jobs and build our economy. The more people looking for creative answers to tough questions, the more likely we are to solve the serious problem facing our state. Second, we need to find a long-term solution to the roads problem that is plaguing our area and the state. Finally, we need to cut spending, not raise taxes."

Jim Tedder is a 27 year small business owner, a local school administrator and former teacher.

"I am the candidate that intimately understands the opportunities and challenges of the 43rd District," he said. "I am committed to supporting economic growth, job creation, and better days for Michigan. I have personal relationships in the district extending more than 40 years and the professional background to make ethical and sound decisions at the state level."

He has over 24 years of political experi-

ence as a grassroots activist, serving leadership roles in many organizations and, over the last four years, as an elected Independence Township Precinct Delegate.

He also has a business and labor policy background having previously

worked for Associated Builders and Contractors and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, DC.

Tedder

"I come from a working-class upbringing, founded in hard work and integrity; I am the candidate who understands the economic challenges facing working class people and business owners. I value personal responsibility, transparency, and humility. If elected, I will take these values and my blue collar work ethic to Lansing to support the people of this district and state. Improve the economy: I will support an economic climate that encourages growth and prosperity for all, not just those who are politically connected or in a politically favored industry. My efforts will lead to job creation, elimination of burdensome regulations, and lower taxes for businesses and the hard working people of this district," he

His goals are also to fix roads and improve education.

Running for the Democratic nomination are Neil Billington, Robin McGregor, and Dennis Ritter.

Robin McGregor says she is a leader that inspires hope.

"I believe this community inspires hope by embarking on issues that matter. I will reinforce the importance of confronting tough issues rather than shying away or insulating our community. I always think about the wellbeing of those in our community. It is important to communicate transparently, honestly, and in a timely manner. I will do this," she said

Her goals include improving education

with adequate funding, repeal EAA, and focus on inspiring, empowering, and enhancing learning for students rather than teaching to tests; improve equality for men and woman and with healthcare rights; and improve infrastructure, including roads.



McGregor

"I believe that the most important qualifications that I would bring to this position are my experiences as a union president, school board member, parent, small business owner, and community activist. Examples of my work include fighting against Right-to-Work for less, getting the Waterford landfill, which was polluting our lakes, closed and capped, working on educational reform, and testifying about infrastructure in front of Congress," she said.

Dennis Ritter said he is the best candidate because of his experience.

"I am the most experienced public servant who knows firsthand how the actions of Lansing legislators affect individuals and communities on the local level. I listen to people, understand what their issues and needs are, and respond by bringing people together to resolve matters," he said.

Goals include fixing the roads by garnering support to allocate the entire \$1 billion consumers pay in state sales tax on fuel for repairing and improving our roads and infrastructure as was its intention.

Also, reallocate a portion of the General Fund to insure the money to build and maintain a first class road system; ensure schools have the resources they need and return funds taken out of the School Aid Fund over the last three years; and defend middle class families by restoring the \$1,200 Homestead Property Tax Credit, Earned Income Tax Credit, reinstate the \$600 per-child tax deduction and help seniors by repealing the 4% tax on their pensions

"As the former City Manager of the City of the Village of Clarkston, I know all too well how legislation and the lack of action impact the local level. The revenue lost due to the falling property values brought about the reduction of services and the dismantling of our police department. Many improvement projects were put on hold or eliminated all together. Planning for community improvements, historic preservation and park restoration were eliminated from the budget. Only basic services were retained, a low blow for our community," he said.

Candidates Paul Greenawalt and Neil Billington did not respond to questionnaires. See next week's edition for more election cov-



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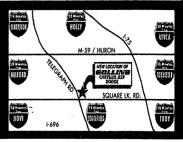
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