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Enrollment higher than expected But no teacher contract yet

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston Board of Education voted unanimously, Aug. 25, to hire two new Kindergarten teachers, for Springfield Plains and North Sashabaw elementary schools.

The hiring takes care of the only two contract-overload classes in the district, said Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan.

"That's not the place we want to have high class sizes," Ryan said. "We appreciate the board approving the two new positions."

With summer enrollments complete, the district is looking at a total loss of 12 students, compared to last year. At last year's state per-pupil funding of \$7,082, that equals \$84,984. They estimated a loss of 70 students when calculating this year's budget, a loss of \$495,740.

"We're trending in the right direction," Ryan said. "The housing market is strong — people moving into Clarkston."

According to Ryan's report, total enrollment this year is 7,782 students, with 3,124 in Kindergarten through grade 5, and 4,658 in grades 6-12. Over the summer, 245 new students enrolled, and 110 left the district.

District wide, the average class size is 25.01 students, down from 26.20 last year. Kindergarten is the only grade level

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Neiman's Family Market employees proudly dump ice cold water on their coworker Lori Mouser and store director John Schmidt on Aug. 19. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Cold splash for a cool cause

Neiman's Family Market Store Director John Schmidt and Lori Mouser readied themselves for the buckets full of ice and cold water from their coworkers as they participated in the Ice Bucket Challenge, Aug. 19.

"I don't like they sneak up on us," Schmidt laughed as the employees neared closer.

Within a few seconds, the once dry

Mouser and Schmidt were drenched with cold water in front of Neiman's Family Market, off White Lake Road and Dixie Highway.

"That was good," Schmidt smiled, soaked with water. "I feel like a Labrador retriever."

They proudly took the challenge when they were named.

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Wolves' Gridiron Section

In this week's edition

'No' to snow enforcement

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A public hearing on a show shoveling tax, Monday, ended in a city council vote not to enforce an existing snow removal ordinance.

Councilman Mike Sabol said the issue was addressed years ago when a previous ordinance was passed, and the city needs to enforce existing rules.

Only fellow Councilman David Marsh agreed with Sabol, with the rest of the council voting "no" in the 5-2 vote, citing further discussion needed.

Sabol added it is the city's job to enforce ordinances, not be a landscape company and start shoveling sidewalks. He later made a motion to enforce the existing ordinance.

Resident Charles Inabnit said not enforcing existing rules is part of what is wrong with governments across the country.

"If you are not going to enforce the ordinance, take it off the books. We live in a country governed by laws. Just enforce the existing ordinance," said Inabnit.

He also asked if any criteria is in place to evaluate how often sidewalks should be shoveled, and said people need to take care of their own sidewalks.

The public hearing at Monday's meeting was to let residents express opinions regarding a Special Assessment District (SAD). If created, it would charge each resident \$65 for the city to shovel, but not salt, sidewalks after snowfalls. City DPW workers, who currently plow city streets, would clear sidewalks for the community's 244 homes.

Several residents were against paying the tax, and would rather shovel their own sidewalks.

During the public hearing, resident Arlene Stone asked what liability the city would face

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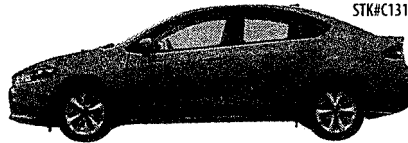
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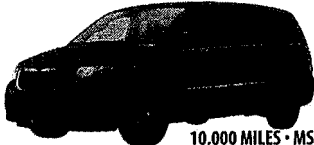
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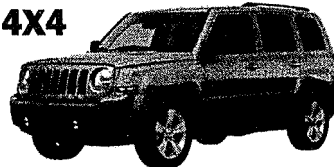
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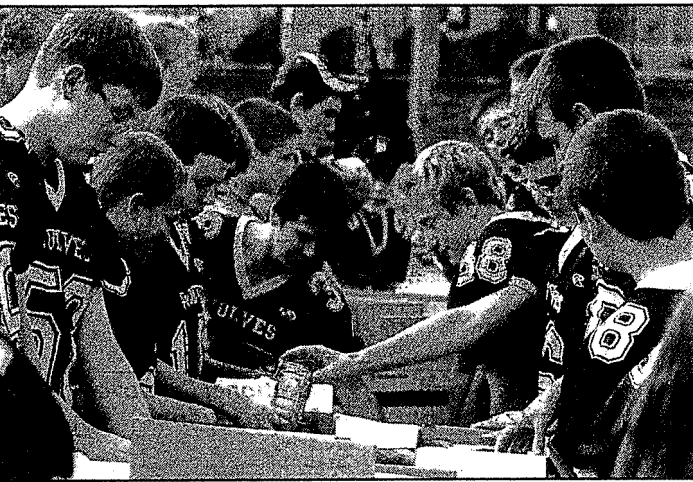
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Freshman football players sort food into boxes at Lighthouse.



Fellow Wolf Andrew Williamson, right, gives his food donation to Noah Reeve.



Seniors Alex Snyder and Mitch Helsel collect food from neighborhoods pm Glenwood Creek.



The JV Cheer team hands in their donations before the truck leaves for Lighthouse.

Record breaking

Bumper-to-bumper traffic heading north on Sashabaw Road last Friday night slowed Clarkston Gridiron Heroes from dropping off their food donations to Lighthouse North.

But it didn't slow down the tally as the Wolves collected 7,463 pounds of food for the 17th Annual Rush for Food to feed their community. It was a record breaking year as they collected 1,066 pounds more than they raised last year.

Varsity and JV Football players collected food from neighborhoods throughout Independence and Springfield townships while the freshman players sorted and weighed the food at Lighthouse.

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Wendy Reardon



Freshman Mike Thornton brings the food into Lighthouse to be put on the shelves.

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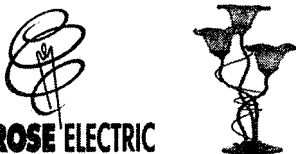
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From left are Greg Bunting, Kathy Novak, Steve Wallace, and Bruce Mercado. Greg and Bruce are both board members of the Foundation. Photo provided

Golfers support Clarkston Foundation

Golfers hit the links to support the Clarkston Foundation at their 20th annual Golf Classic, Aug. 4 at Oakhurst Country Club.

"It's our biggest event of the year," said Carl Matisse, Clarkston Foundation foundation. "We have a variety of sponsors for the event but a special thanks should be made to our two major sponsors, Pepsico and McClaren Health Care."

The non-profit organization provides scholarships to math, science, music, and other summer camps for Clarkston high school students, grants for teachers, Teacher of the Year, and other programs.

"We support academic achievement in the Clarkston Community Schools," Matisse said.

For more information, check Clarkstonfoundation.org.

Attorney recommends against ticket fines

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in the event of a slip and fall.

"Does \$65 cover all of the overtime for three DPW if they have to shovel sidewalks two or three times in a day," Stone also asked.

Gary Rodgers disapproves of the fee because it takes control away from the homeowner.

"That's why people can hire contractors," he said.

Rodgers wondered if the DPW could handle the workload, and how many times sidewalks would have to be shoveled during a long snowfall.

Resident Don Freyer said the young and youthful may not value such a bargain, but he does.

"It seems like \$65 to have your sidewalks shoveled all winter is a deal," he said.

Freyer estimated that 50 percent of resi-

dents in the city are older, and would also value the service.

"Do you know how hard it is to find someone to shovel your sidewalk if you leave town for a vacation? I would value the service," he said.

City Manager Carol Eberhardt said she received frequent complaints about snow not being removed from sidewalks during last year's record breaking snowfall. This year, she wants clear direction from the council regarding the issue.

Eberhardt said the existing snow removal ordinance requires snow be cleared within 24 hours, or the city will do the job and charge a fee. However, the amount of the fee was never set when the ordinance was adopted.

Fines for not clearing sidewalks may be comparable to civil infractions issued when residents do not mow their lawn after they are given 10 days to do so. Fines are \$100 for the first offense, and \$150 for a second offense, she said.

Eberhardt said city attorney Tom Ryan advised against issuing tickets because of litigation costs associated with taking residents to court. If a ticket is dismissed, no fee is collected, but the city still pays its attorney to go to court.

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4 vie for seats

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Four candidates are running for three seats on Clarkston City Council in the Nov. 4 election.

Peg Roth, Richard Bisio, Michael Sabol and Sharron Catallo will run to fill the three seats. Joe Luginski is running unopposed for mayor.

Bisio ran in 2013 for seat on city council after he had been appointed to fill a vacant seat, but was defeated. An attorney, he serves on the Ordinance Committee and Public Safety Committee.

Catallo, who was re-elected to council in 2013, previously served as city council member and mayor. She also serves on the Trees and Gardens Committee and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Roth has served four terms, eight years, on city council. In addition to her seat on the city council, she serves community organizations and committees including the Parking, Streets and Sidewalks Committee.

In addition to his seat on city council, Sabol serves on the Department Committee, Community Committee, Technology Committee, and Ordinance Committee, and as city council liaison to the planning commission.

Luginski was elected mayor of the city in 2010 and also serves on several committees including the Community Committee, Technology Committee and also as the Finance Committee Chairman.

Each council seat is a two-year term through 2016. Luginski's term will also expire in 2016. To be eligible, candidates were required to turn in nominating petitions, along with 20-40 registered voter signatures, by Aug. 5. City council is the governmental body of the city, and makes decisions about city business by following a set of rules called the City Charter. When they take office, council members are sworn in, and swear to uphold the charter.

Council member's Thomas Hunter, David Marsh and Eric Haven's terms do not expire until 2015.



Catallo



Sabol



Bisio



Roth

\$20,000 for Dixie Highway plan

BY ANDREA M. BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A Dixie Development Project has \$20,000 to work with after Independence Township Board approved a budget amendment at a special meeting, Aug. 12.

Township Supervisor Pat Kittle said the money will be used on a Dixie Highway Development Action Plan.

Richard Carlisle from Carlisle Wortman Associates, the township's planner, said the action plan is needed to lead to new investment, provide jobs, and increase tax base and services to consumers along the commercial corridor.

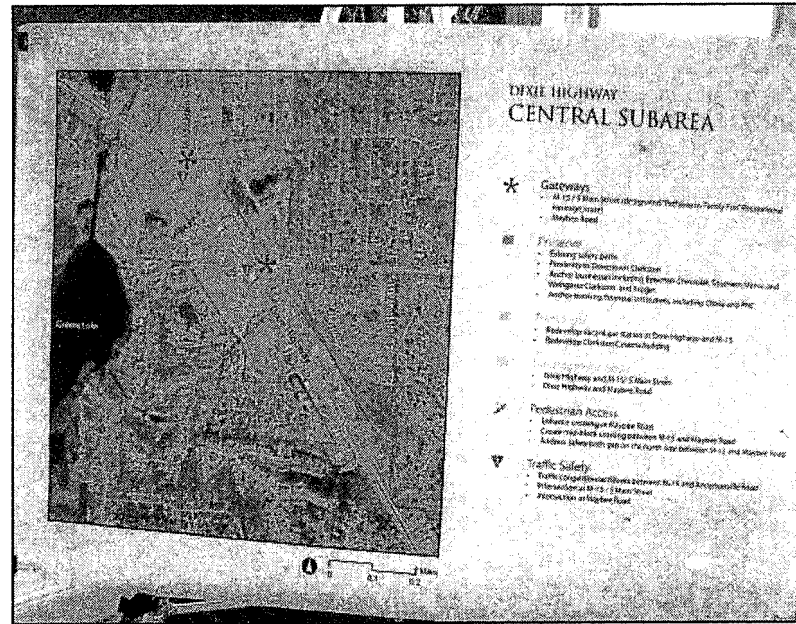
"One of the most significant priorities is to form a Dixie Improvement Organization composed of stakeholders," said Carlisle. "The initial role of the CIO is to evaluate, recommend and build support for specific action items."

The action plan's goals include creating a sense of place unique to Dixie Highway, reviewing ordinances and policies to ensure a business-friendly climate, mixing land use and building heights, increased pedestrian access, and encouraging re-development of vacant and underutilized properties.

Carlisle said the action plan is intended to be short term and strategic nature will activate long term changes.

Plans for Dixie also include redeveloping obsolete properties like the former gas station at the corner of Dixie and M-15.

Business owners, bankers, developers and realtors met in June to voice opinions and share ideas on improving Dixie Highway. Work during the meeting included iden-



Independence Township officials and business owners are working on plans to renovate Dixie Highway. *File photo*

tifying assets, opportunities and challenges along Dixie.

Carlisle said a lot of good insight was gained from the forum.

After the forum Kittle requested Carlisle create a presentation summarizing thoughts and ideas gathered at the meeting.

Carlisle's summary included six areas of priority including creating a Corridor Improvement Association, updating the master plan, developing new zoning strategies,

implementing visual improvement, developing economic incentives and identifying and implementing enhancements for roads and pedestrians. 14 associated strategies, as well as time lines, required actions and funding to implement strategies and priorities were also outlined in the report.

Plans for Dixie Highway are also being updated in the townships master plan. Independence Township Planning Commission will also review Dixie plans.

Annual report from city manager

BY ANDREA M. BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As required by charter, Clarkston City Manager Carol Eberhardt submitted a yearly report to City Council.

Work over the last year included improving communication procedures, changing processes in the city, staff changes, implementing technological changes, and other improvements.

"I believe it's important for the council to understand what progress and direction the city has been going in the last year in order to plan for the future," Eberhardt said.

The city manager is involved in several committees in the city, and attended 26 ribbon cuttings and other events throughout the year.

Eberhardt also wrote and applied for two grants, but both were unsuccessful.

The report also outlines changes she made in staff, including setting up weekly staff meetings, encouraging staff to collaborate on projects, ensuring staff are cross trained

on duties, and implementing changes to help staff work together more efficiently on projects.

She also outlined changes to a variety of forms to keep things running more smoothly as well as technological changes made at city hall.

"It was a good report with good summation of the last year," said Councilman Mike Sabol, the only council member to comment on it.

Although many accomplishments have been made, her time on the job has not been without troubles.

Eberhardt's hire was controversial, after she applied for the job while serving on city council. In order to hire her, the city council overrode section 4.18 of the City Charter, which prohibits employment of an elected official for a year after they leave office.

To bypass the rule, the council had to secure five votes to approve the override--a vote which passed by a 5-1 vote. Her hire was later approved by a 4-2 vote on April 8, with two council members voting "no." Her

first day on the job was late April in 2013.

Eberhardt's year in office has also been marked by complaints about Freedom of Information Act requests, deletion of public city records, and complaints filed with local and state police to investigate deletion of city records and violation of FOIA laws.

Law enforcement officials found Eberhardt did nothing wrong criminally.

During her first year, Eberhardt also severed communications with *The Clarkston News* after articles were printed, including complaints from a local resident. Eberhardt said she would no longer participate in interviews or in anyway communicate with the newspaper. She later rescinded her announcements, but communication throughout her year in office have been sparse.

When asked a series of questions about the yearly report, Eberhardt's responded that she would change nothing except trusting this reporter at *The Clarkston News*.

"I very much regret I put any trust in you," she said.

Briefly

Labor day events

The Clarkston News office is closed Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1 in observance of the holiday.

The deadline for classifieds for the Sept. 3 edition is this Friday at noon.

The parade begins at 10 a.m. in downtown Clarkston.

School tech consultant

Clarkston Board of Education voted unanimously to approve hiring Convergent Technology Partners to help the district with its technology assessment.

The assessment, not to exceed \$20,000, will include school visits and staff interviews, with recommendations in order of priority with dollar amounts for each item, said John Foster, senior manager, at the Aug. 25 meeting.

O.A.T.S. on ClarkstonTV

A new episode of *Clarkston Spark* on ClarkstonTV.com features the O.A.T.S. therapeutic riding facility, its leaders, instructors, volunteers, and riders.

Check www.clarkstontv.com's "Clarkston Spark" picture, or Springfield-Independence Video You Tube channel. It will also be shown on Independence Television during the week of Sept. 1.

Find the Clarkston Spark Face Book page at www.facebook.com/clarkstonspark.

Correction

The story "Donation for new Depot Park bridge" about an \$80,000 donation for a bridge in Depot Park, Aug. 20 edition, said "earlier this year, City of the Village of Clarkston spent about \$4,000 to have the bridge inspected by an engineering firm to determine structural integrity."

City Manager Carol Eberhardt requested a correction - "The City spent \$1,600 to have the bridge assessed by HRC, not \$4,000. Please put a correction in next week's paper."

To date, according to city bills, \$3,993.72 was spent on the bridge for repairs as well as the study.

We regret the \$6.28 error, and not making it clear the \$4,000 was the sum of all work costs associated with the bridge.

Also, in "On to November" in the Aug. 13 edition, the caption under the photo incorrectly identified Fred Ritter as his brother, Dennis Ritter.

Andrea's Anecdotes

A column by Andrea Beaudoin

Rough reporting

It's not easy doing this job.

It has been made apparent to me, time and time again, the Clarkston city manager feels I am the main cause of her issues over the past year.

Her comments to me have been down right vindictive, and blame is placed squarely on me.

I have been through this type of thing before, when someone won't take responsibility for their own behavior, so they blame you as the square root of their problem. Meanwhile, all I was doing was my job.



I don't want to hear how troubles you cause are my fault. I am not the one who made the cutting remarks to cause the frenzy in the first place.

It was not my action that set in motion the rippling effect known as consequences.

It's not like I hated the manager, and made it my mission to cause her grief. I rather liked her, and I think she has done the best job she can, and reacted the way she naturally would to critical critics.

Problem is when you take a job as a public official, you are required to talk to people you would like to avoid. Short answers to questions and more cutting remarks are just stirring the pot.

I know someone, who will do anything he can to avoid conflict. This someone says:

How far away, yet so close, are the worries of the world. In this small piece of the universe all is peaceful except for occasional complaints about this or that. Thousands of miles separate troubles, much greater than ours. The close problems easier to ignore, yet even more pressing.

To ignore the true goings on, an avoidance, a learned thing to evade the important for your soul to survive.

A person filled with so many of his own worries, he forsakes his own and takes on instead, some other trouble. Something he can't touch, and will never touch him.

Such a man is always distant, cold on many levels, almost untouchable to everything meant to truly matter. Flying through the days of life, he watches, not realizing how the days whisk by.

What is important to such a man? It is the big picture only, for the details don't amuse.

This person does not care who shuts him out, for what troubles him is much greater than you can imagine.

Schools not the same

Dear Editor,

Our family recently moved to Clarkston from a town of 10,000 on the west side of Michigan. My husband and I grew up in Clarkston and were excited to expose our children to the great place we grew up. My excitement has been diminished by the school system here.

I feel the school system is not conducive to two working parents. First, we had no information about which elementary they would attend, their teachers or their bus routes until the last week. In the town we came from, all of this information has been distributed for over a month.

It is very difficult to plan when no information is available. We tried calling both the administrative offices as well as the school. While the staff was pleasant, no information was available. Secondly, when we tried to register for Kids Connection, we were told there was a significant wait list. We really do not have options for child care on the few days per week we need the service as we are new to the area. Thirdly, I am not sure the purpose the late start days serve, but again this puts more burden on families in which both parents work.

Additionally, our children's bus stop is 0.3 miles away from the house and I don't think that is an appropriate distance for elementary students to be expected to walk alone. Lastly, even the new family orientation and "meet the teacher" is in the middle of a work day.

Clearly, this is not the same Clarkston school system we grew up in and I am sadly disappointed in its lack of consideration for working parents.

Jennifer McAlister
Independence Township

Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock responded: "I welcome the feedback and apologize for the negative experience. We aim to serve the needs of all families and will continue to do so. We receive a tremendous amount of positive feedback on our processes and products and make adjustments continuously."

Support appreciated

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank the Clarkston Community for their support in the 17th Annual Rush for Food that was held on Friday, Aug. 22.

The Varsity and JV players canvased over 40 neighborhoods while the Freshman team worked all evening sorting and stocking the pantry of Lighthouse North. With a goal of 6,500 pounds, the teams collected 7,463 pounds of food, an increase of 1,066 pounds over last years drive!

Special thanks goes to Better Made Snack Foods Inc., Clarkston Athletic Boosters and Neiman's Family Market for donating supplies for the pre-Rush dinner. Thanks to the Clarkston Chiefs and Clarkston High School Cheerleaders for contributing food donations. Thanks to the many other parents and coaches

who pitched in and volunteered at the event and provided additional donations!

Thanks go to the 17th annual Rush For Food parent committee which included Penny Canada, Lauryn Eriksen, Erika Heaton, Nancy Linton, Karen Nicklin, Kathy Kerrigan, Diane Pierce, Kim Scarlett, and Claudine Schoenherr for their time and commitment in organizing another successful year!

Finally, we would like to thank *The Clarkston News* and St. Daniels for hosting community drop-boxes and the Clarkston homeowners who generously donated to make this event, the 17th annual Rush For Food, such a great success! Together, we once again proved what a wonderful community Clarkston is to live in!

Karen Nicklin, publicity
CHS Football "Rush for Food"

Thanks for votes

Dear Editor,

I am writing to thank the many voters who supported me on Aug. 5. Your support meant a great deal to me and everyone involved in my campaign.

During the campaign, I worked alongside the candidates from both parties and I respect their dedication and commitment. We all have the same goal of making our district and state a better place to live, work and play; I am committed to making this a reality as your next state representative.

Having lived in this area for most of my life, it was rewarding to get to know thousands of people on a personal level, listening to their views. I will give these views a voice in Lansing. I look forward to getting to know many more of you over the next couple months and to earning your vote on Nov. 4.

Jim Tedder, Republican candidate
State Representative 43rd District

Named was confused

Dear Editor,

I was surprised to see my name in the caption under a picture of my brother Dennis in your Aug. 13 election follow-up for the 43rd District state representative race.

While I am happy to be compared to any of my six brothers, I am especially proud to be confused with Dennis who has led an exemplary life in public service. In addition to having served three tours of duty in Vietnam he has had a distinguished career in Waterford Township as trustee, treasurer and supervisor and served with distinction for four years as the city manager of the City of the Village of Clarkston.

I believe Dennis will win this election and will do an outstanding job for the citizens of the 43rd district. I hope my name on his picture doesn't hurt his chances.

In the meantime, don't worry about having confused me for Dennis. Being two of 12 siblings our parents couldn't keep us straight either.

Fred Ritter
Clarkston

A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 1999

"Progress stall on new city hall" The Clarkston City Council agreed on one thing regarding plans for an addition to the city hall building - to put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

"Clarkston cool" When it comes to back-to-school fashions, Clarkston kids have the look. Students throughout the district were showing off their new threads during registration. They were spotted in vests, flared jeans, button down shirts and plaid skirts and dresses. A popular jewelry for neckwear where chokers, especially tattoo chokers.

"Wolves hunger for football" The offensive and defensive linemen of Clarkston Varsity Football set a trend for the team off the field - "it's cool to be fat" as they sported the biggest offensive line in Wolves' recent history. The junior class was coming off of 9-0 seasons on the freshman and junior varsity levels.

25 years ago - 1989

"Public safety complex put on ballot" The fight to create a public safety complex in Independence Township entered round two. Voters in the Nov. 7 general election would once again be asked to vote on funding for the complex. The complex was voted down the \$1.5 million dollar bond issue in Fall 1998 by 55 votes.

"What's in style may be against the rules" Parents and students found out the hard way some back-to-school fashion styles were not allowed in schools. According to Vincent Licata, assistant principal at Sashabaw Junior High School, certain clothing found to be disruptive would not be allowed including ragged shorts, skin-tight biker shorts, short shorts and short dresses.

"Preparing for Fame & Fortune" Ronald Martin, of Independence Township, was a little disappointed he didn't get to spin the wheel during the taping of "Fame & Fortune." but he took solace in the \$500 he won.

50 years ago - 1964

"Two men named outstanding" Frank G. Ronk and Lewis E. Wint from Clarkston were selected for inclusion in the 1965 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.

"Dangerous criminal captured" A daring chase on Dixie Highway between I-75 and Frembes Road climaxed the robbery of the Hamady Food Store No. 7 in Flint. The suspect was apprehended behind Primrose Lane Bowling Alley off Dixie.

Holding fast in changing media times

Let's get started this week with some light stuff.

- The only ones who remember you when you come in second is your wife and your dog.

- The one-armed man only shopped at secondhand stores.

OK: let's go.

In 1923, who was:

1. President of the largest steel company?

2. President of the largest gas company?

3. President of the New York Stock Exchange?

4. Greatest wheat speculator?

5. President of the Bank of International Settlement?

6. Great Bear of Wall Street?

Now, 80 years later, we know what happened to them.

Answer to #1 - Charles Schwab, died a pauper.

Answer to #2 - Edward Hopson, went insane.

Answer to #3 - Richard Whitney, was released from prison to die at home

Answer to #4 - Arthur Cutter, died abroad penniless.

Answer to #5 - Leon Fraser shot himself.

Answer to #6 - Jesse Livermore, also committed suicide.

However, in that same year, 1923, the PGA champion and the winner of the most important golf tournament, the U.S. Open, was Gene Sarazon.

What became of him?

Jim's Jottings



A column by Jim Sherman, Sr.

He played golf until he was 92, died in 1999 at the age 97. He was financially secure at the time of his death.

THE MORAL: Screw work. Play golf.

* * *

Recently my daily paper, *The Detroit Free Press*, ran a story, or opinion, that daily papers were declining in readership. It hit me like an obituary.

Of course, with the rise in electronic users and decline in print media the outcome surprises no one.

Daughter Luan lets me know Detroit Tiger scores that come after my early bedtime.

She greeted me one Sunday morning with news the Tigers had scored in every inning for the first time since 1912. The final out could not make the *Free Press* printers' deadline. So I had to wait

until Monday to read about Sunday's game.

I'm totally lost in this print-less age, and I'm going to stay lost. I'm not going to text, skype, e-mail or use social media.

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- I think the most popular thing we eat-out diners do is ask for takeout box. I recently ordered corned beef and sauerkraut. That turned out to be the worst breakfast I ever had.

- Dick Milliman and I have shared our personal newspaper columns for many years. He told me recently, "I'm trying to inform, not direct thoughts."

I try, in my column, to inform while directing readers to my biased thinking.

"I've never sat on a motorcycle. And now I know I never will. My legs no longer stretch like that."

Don's great adventure into the fashion world

Fillin' in.

That's what I did this past weekend and unexpected, that's what it was. Why would a fashion maven, world-wide-web communicator type, ask a truly indiscriminating eye to pinch-hit on a fashion blog? I chalk it up to desperate times call for desperate measures.

"Have fun," the fashion maven said. "Be yourself. Use our own thoughts."

"Sure," I replied tepidly, all the while thinking to myself, "Why do you always have to say, 'yes?'"

The fashion maven's blog has a pretty big fan base in the United States and in Australia and South Africa and can be found at www.readydressedgo.blogspot.com

So, I pulled up my big boy pants and wrote for her fashioneista fans . . .

First up, I am your quintessential American male. Know this, I have under ware older than my 14-year-old son and shirts dating back to the Bush One presidency.

You can sum up my fashion tastes pretty simply, "Early 21st Century Garage Sale." And, if it ain't broke don't fix it. Tan khaki slacks and a dress shirt never goes out of style (I think?).

Fashion? Hmmm?

For fun I "googled teen fashion trends." In less than a nano second I had 39.5 million choices to research. Yikes. I clicked on the "Images" tab and then

I got my inspiration.

It's back to school time and what I learned in less than two seconds was teen fashion is really *girls'* fashion.

I saw two shots for boy teen clothing compared to about 300 hundred pictures of girls, teens and 20-some-things modeling the latest clothes to wear to school and Friday night football games.

Some outfits were pretty and good. Some was down right trashy. Maybe it has always been this way for you girls but for us boys . . .

. . . heck, when it was back-to-school-shopping time as a lad in Flyover Country, USA, my mom would lead me to the department store's "Husky" aisle. "Cringe" is the only word that comes to mind, now. And, I thank the textile marketers for somewhere along the way getting rid of Husky from their lexicon.

But, for the girls (and I had three younger, and much prettier sisters) there were rows upon rows of outfits to buy. I think the key word in that last sentence is "buy."

There's gold in them thar teen fashions!

And, it never ends. Many girls, young women, women and mature women (read: all females) spend their lives keeping up on the latest fashion trends, casting aside a perfectly good pair of jeans because it's last year's blah-say style.

Somewhere in the distance I hear cash registers ringing. Question: If a cash register rings in an American clothing store, does some little kid in Bangladesh or China receive their wings or 25 cents for working 60 hours that week?

And, girls are taught – shown – they have to keep up with the Kardashians or be cast aside as dull and unattractive.

Runways, catwalks and red carpet affairs are all about one-upping the other girl (designer) to be the talk of the blogosphere.

Can anyone top Lady Gaga's suit of meat from 2010? From a man's perspective, would anybody want to? I always thought bacon was good on everything, then I saw Gaga and I was agog as to why anybody would waste all that food.

My BLT will never be the same.

Is it any wonder you woman-folk obsess over fashion? You're brainwashed from the time you're old enough to grow pigtails on how you need to look, what to wear and what your body should look like.

Don't get me wrong, I like a lot of fashion and how it looks on a woman and even though I resist the instinct, often my head cranes left or right as if on a swivel to follow one of you all dolled up. I just ain't too hip on a lot of teen (and younger) styles foisted upon young woman. We (and I speak for most grounded, red-blooded men out there) do really, *really* like the woman wearing the fashion.

I am sure it's fun to play dress-up cuz I like to dress-up in my go-to-meeting clothes, when it ain't Sunday, too. Just remember, there's fun time and real time.

(And, after writing all this, I am sure there's a reason I ain't writing about fashion more often! Thank you for indulging me.)

Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

Negotiations continue for teacher contracts

Continued from page 1
to increase, from 21.7 last year to 23.32 students this year.

No teacher contract yet
Negotiations continue between Clarkston Education Association and administration. Several teachers attended Monday's school board meeting and spoke out during public comment.

Teacher Beth Rogers said teacher pay cuts they agreed to over the years should be restored.

"We want to feel valued by you and we don't because we've been frozen," Rogers said. "People are suffering."

Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock said the contract negotiation process is continuing.

"We're working through the process," Rock said.



Kimberly LED Lighting owners Kim and Doug Jenkins, at left, and John and Rosalie Lieblang, at right, invited Carter Oosterhouse of HGTV's "Trading Spaces" to their open house. Photo by Phil Custodio

Grand opening at new LED store

Home improvement fans filled the new Kimberly LED Lighting company during its grand opening and open house, Aug.

18. The business at 5827 Terex Drive in Springfield Township specializes in LED lighting for

homes and businesses.

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Assault

A 17-year-old Independence Township boy was cited for assault after getting into a fight, 9:16 p.m., Aug. 2, at Hunters Creek Boulevard apartments. A 19-year-old Independence Township man said he was assaulted by the 17-year-old and a 15-year-old Independence Township boy, ending up with a broken tooth.

Suspect found

Deputies looking for a 41-year-old Independence Township man on a felony arrest warrant out of 53rd District Court heard a man and woman talking in a house in the 4000 block of Cobden Lane, 4:49 p.m., Aug. 8. A 36-year-old Independence Township woman answering the door said no one else was home. When she tried to close the door on the officers, she was handcuffed. The suspect was found in a rear bedroom and arrested on the warrant. She was cited for interfering with police authority.

Disorderly conduct

A 31-year-old Lansing man was arrested for disorderly conduct after being found on the ground with blood all over his clothes after being ejected previously from a DTE Music concert, Aug. 10.

Hit and run

Deputies tracked down a 50-year-old Waterford man after he backed into another vehicle in a Baycourt Park parking lot and drove away, 5:22 p.m., Aug. 13. He was found at his home in the 2000 block of N. Williams Lake Road. A records' check showed he had a bench warrant out of Birmingham for driving with a suspended license. He was cited for no insurance, expired license, and leaving the scene of an accident, and turned over to Birmingham Police on the warrant.

Burglaries

Someone pried open the door to a home in the 2000 block of Mann Road and took tools and a checkbook, 5:14 p.m., Aug. 15.

A power generator was found to be missing from a home in the 7000 block of Holcomb Road, Aug. 16, while the homeowners were out of town.

Someone took scrap air conditioners meant for recycling from a business yard in the 6000 block of Sashabaw Road, Aug. 18.

An Ipad was taken from a church in the 6000 block of Rattalee Lake Road, Aug. 18.

Theft from vehicle

A GPS was taken from a car parked in the 6000 block of Trillium Village Lane, Aug. 20. There was no sign of forced entry.

Death investigation continues

Robert Kobe, who was knocked down and struck his head at DTE Music Theater, died of his injuries, Aug. 19. The Oakland County Medical Examiner ruled the death a homicide. Detectives are interviewing witnesses, and will present their findings to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office for review.

Underage drinking

Responding to a report of possible underage drinking in a parking lot in the 6000 block of Sashabaw Road 5:25 p.m., Aug. 16, a deputy saw several juveniles standing around parked cars. The officer spoke to two girls next to an SUV with its hatch open, with four bottles of whiskey in a cooler. The vehicle's driver, a 20-year-old Brownstown man, had a preliminary breath test result of .165, and was cited for minor in possession of alcohol and released to his mother. The girls, an 18-year-old Woodhaven resident and 17-year-old Brownstown resident, were also cited for minors in possession.

Arrest in plate theft

An employee in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway saw someone switching the license plate on her employer's car, 4:59 p.m., Aug. 19. The business owner went to check on it, saw her plate had been changed, and confronted the man, a 30-year-old Davisburg man, who was in a black SUV. He drove away, knocking her down. She was not injured. A deputy found the SUV heading north on Dixie Highway and stopped it at M-15. The driver declined to give permission to search, and was arrested for stealing the license plate and felonious assault. A search discovered several license plates, fake black beard and mustache, and small jars of marijuana and pill bottles. The suspect was jailed pending charges for the assault, theft and drugs. Investigation continues.

Stolen guns

Someone took two semiautomatic pistols from a car parked in the 6000 block of Trillium Village Lane, Aug. 20. The 23-year-old owner said he parked his vehicle in the lot at about 3 p.m., Aug. 19, and noticed the guns missing at about 5 a.m. Aug. 20. He said the vehicle was locked, but there was no sign of forced entry. Also, a record's check showed one of the pistols had never been registered. The case was forwarded to the Oakland County Gun Board for review.

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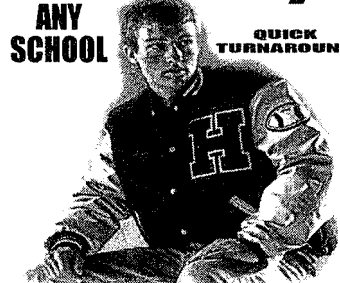


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Friday	09-12-14	West Bloomfield	Home	7 p.m.
Friday	09-19-14	Stoney Creek	Away	7 p.m.
Friday	09-26-14	Oxford	Away	7 p.m.
Friday	10-03-14	Troy Athens	Away	7 p.m.
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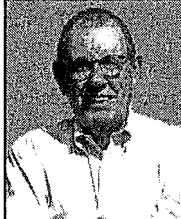
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Clarkston's Sporting News

This Thursday ...
Clarkston Football kicks off at the high school starting with the Freshman team at 12 p.m.

Season kicks off with Cougars

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves are hungry for the 2014 fall season.

They finished last season with a bang winning their first MHSAA Division 1 Football State Championship. Now they are back and ready to start their journey to the playoffs again beginning Thursday with their home opener against Macomb Dakota.

Kurt Richardson, long-time head coach for Clarkston Varsity Football, said the strengths of the team right now are both the offensive and defensive lines and their passing game.

He added the boys play hard which will work to their advantage against the Cougars.

"It is a tough one," Richardson said going into the game.

The Wolves lost players to graduation last season but they bring back a huge group of experience with quarterback DJ Zezula; running back Centrus Williams, Jr.; linebackers Cole Chewins, Lance Linton, Adam Matich, Chris Trimmer, Bryce Witherspoon; wide receiver and defensivebacks Merrick Canada, Austin Egler, Shane Holler; receiver and defensiveback Joe Popp; and linebacker and tightends Jack McKillop and Will Scarlett.

"The leadership is very good," said Tony Miller, defensive coordinator. "The fact we have been able to go into the post season pretty far for the last few years. The fact we got the extra games to practice. All of that

adds up when you are starting the opening game."

They also brought up a lot of talent from the JV and freshman teams, which the players are anxious to lend their talent to the success in the new season.

"The kids are hungry," Miller added. "They got a taste of that success last year and they want to keep it going."

Macomb Dakota finished last season 11-1, with their lone loss ending the season at the MHSAA Regional playoff. They have a lot of key returners coming back - especially on offense.

"We saw them scrimmage on Thursday and they look very good but that doesn't take away who we are either," said Miller. "We are a very good team ourselves. It is going to be who is able to execute the best."

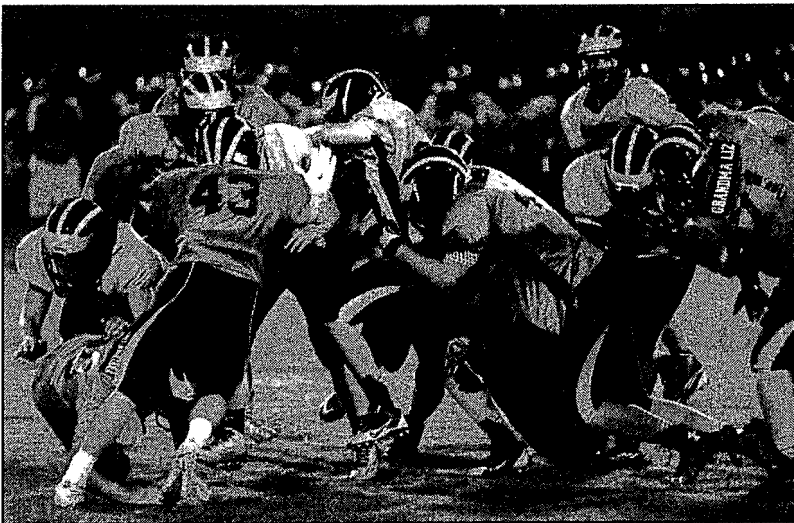
For the low price of five dollars per ticket, fans can watch all three Clarkston football games on Thursday. The Freshman team begins at 12 p.m.; JV is set for 3 p.m. and the varsity is at 7 p.m.

"It is going to be an interesting test," Miller said. "They are very big. We will have to use our technique. As long as we bring our 'A' game it should be a great game. It will be a heck of a football game."

"These kids play hard," said Richardson. "It will be good football."

All games are at Clarkston High School stadium, 6093 Flemings Lake Road.

Check out the Gridiron Section in this week's edition for more!



The Wolves tackle the ball carrier in their pre-season scrimmage, Football for a Cure. Photo by Larry Wright

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK Focus leads to goal

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Focused is one word to describe Clarkston High School senior Mikayla Blaska on her journey to Princeton University.

Blaska saw Princeton at a softball camp and told people it is where she wanted to go to college and continue her softball career.

"I told some of my friends I really wanted to go and they kind of looked at me funny," she said. "Even some adults were looking at me. A lot of people didn't think it was attainable and from that I was determined to work as hard as I could and prove them wrong."

Blaska added one of the reasons she was driven is because of personality.

"If somebody tells me I can't do something my brain automatically says I have to do it," she explained.

The one thing holding her back was her ACT score. She needed at least a 28. After taking the test a few times she knew she would have to do things differently to get the score she wanted.

"The first time was 24 and I didn't study for that one so it was my base," she said. "After that I bought a book and studied from it. The second time I got a 26. I was like okay I improved."

The third time she scored a 26 again.

"I knew I needed a 28 or 30," she added. "People started saying statistically you can only go up two points."

"She said 'I am going to have to break that statistic,'" said mom, Cindy. "She tried really hard."

The fourth time put her at 26 and she realized her weakness in the test was comprehension because it was timed.

"She upped her reading," Cindy explained. "She had one last shot to get 26 to 30. Everyone said you aren't going to go up the four points. I am really proud of



Blaska

her. I said 'don't let anyone ever tell you you can't do something.' We kept buying the ACT prep guides and she took 15 practice tests to get the comprehension and the timing down. Four hours per test - that is a lot. She wanted it."

She went into the test in June. Then, the results came. She had went up four points to score a 30.

"I was a little surprised," Mikayla said. "I knew I increased but didn't think I would increase that drastically. I felt really blessed because I knew God played a big part in it. It encouraged me more to go after Princeton. If I wouldn't have gotten a 30 maybe Princeton wasn't meant to be, but after I got that 30 I felt like I was meant to go to Princeton."

"She has a strong faith," said Cindy. "We are a faithful family. It is incorporated in her work ethic."

"She really taught me something just by her focus," Cindy added. "As an adult you think, I have the focus. But you lose focus. It's hard and she had it."

When Princeton offered her position she admitted she was a little surprised.

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Team set for successful season

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Spikers dive into their season this week with their first tournament at Lake Orion on Wednesday.

"It was a good tournament last year with some top teams," said Clarkston Varsity Volleyball Head Coach Kelly (Avenall) Pinner. "I am expecting the same thing. It is a great tournament."

She added it will be a good indicator to see where the team is against other teams and give them an idea of what to work on going into the season. It will also give them an insight to the teams they need to watch out for this season.

Senior outside hitter Taylor Dellinger pointed out the team will do well as long as they limit their errors and play with confidence like they have been doing at practices.

"I don't think we will have a problem competing with any team," she added.

"If we focus on controlling our side of the court, and controlling what we are able to control and let them do the rest I think we will be fine," said senior defensive setter Rachel Vieira.

The girls have been practicing for a few weeks and so far their strengths include good offense and defense and a solid team chemistry.

"We play together real nice," said Dellinger. "Our team core is really nice. Most high school teams aren't like that. We don't really lack one position."

"We have some great defense players," Avenall added. "In the past we may have had one or two kids defensively. We have a good core of defense players who are going to dig a lot of things up."

They also have a lot of new players this season after losing seven players last year due to graduation.

"They are adding some positions we were missing," Pinner said.

They have seven returners which have grown a lot during the last season especially in their leadership.

The Lady Wolves invite the community to watch them as they host a quad next Wednesday.

Senior outside hitter and setter Emily Malinowski said with a smile people like to come out for the girls' celebrations on the court when they score a point.

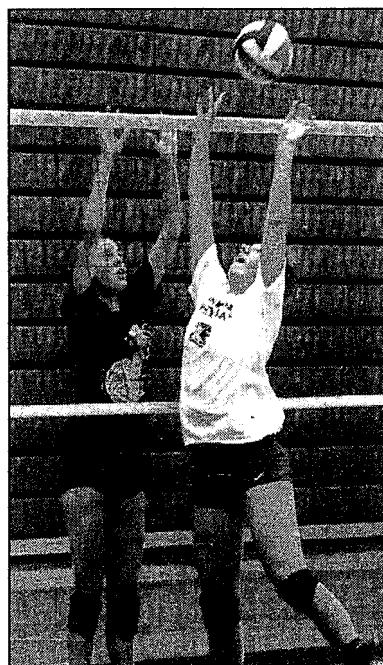
"It is an intense game," she added. "When we get a point we go crazy."

"When people see a really good hit or a sweet dig it gets them happy," Dellinger said.

"Plus, we have good players this year."

"This is the year if you are going to come watch Clarkston Volleyball," Malinowski added.

For more about this season's volleyball team, check out the Fall Preview in an upcoming edition of *The Clarkston News*.



Emily Malinowski set the ball during practice. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Lady Wolves Volleyball

8:30 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 27,
Lake Orion Invitational at Lake Orion
High School

5 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 3, Quad
at Clarkston High School against
Fenton, North Branch, Oxford

Shutout victory kicks off soccer success

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves kickstarted the season with their first two wins during the Traverse City Invitational on Saturday.

"We had a pretty good weekend," said Clarkston Boys Varsity Soccer Head Coach Curtis Payment. "Traverse City has always been a tough tournament with a lot going on."

The boys opened with a 3-0 win over Traverse City Central with a goal from sophomore Josh McCaghy.

"He is really talented and got his first goal on varsity," Payment added.

The next two goals came from senior Jon Tonks and junior Jared Suddon, who both pushed it up from the defense zone to score.

Senior Grant Gotaas had eight saves during the game to record his first shutout for the season.

"He had a fabulous game," Payment added. "He saved penalty kick and in the second half he had a few break away saves. He was active and really played well."

Senior Cary Wilson had his first shutout for the season as well in the second game as

the Wolves beat Petoskey, 2-0. He made six saves in the game.

"He did really well," Payment said. "He was good on the crosses. His distribution was fantastic. We have two top-notch goalies. It is a challenge to get them both on the field but we work it out."

McCaghy and sophomore Kyle Hayes both scored in the game to help the Wolves win.

"We are very young so it is good to see them produce off the bat," he added.

The boys lost their last game in the tournament to Traverse City West, 2-1. Junior Jack Kuczanski scored the lone goal to put the boys on the board.

Gotaas and Wilson both played for a half and had four saves during the game.

"It was quite a battle," Payment said. "We had an emotional battle. We outshot West 15-to-8. We were all over them. Their goalie was fantastic. We just couldn't get lucky. I expect it to be a good learning experience."

The Wolves go into their first set of home games with six goals under their belts.

"I am excited about the offensive produc-

tion," Payment added. "We have nine new starters. It is a completely different team not just with players but we are going to be playing a different style. I am really happy with the progress, but we have a lot to work out with the rotation and minutes. I am happy with the start, but we have quite a bit of learning to do."

They hosted their home opener on Tuesday against OAA Red foe Rochester and host Utica Eisenhower on Wednesday.

"Eisenhower is a top notch program," Payment added. "We just need more playing time. I think it will all work out."

WOLVES SOCCER

Wednesday, Aug. 26 at Clarkston
High School against Utica
Eisenhower
5:30 p.m. JV team, varsity follows

Tuesday, Sept. 2 at Clarkston High
School against Stoney Creek
5:30 p.m. JV team, varsity follows

Goals high for softball champion

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"I knew I had a 50/50 chance but my brain just wasn't processing it when she said the words," Mikayla said.

Mikayla began playing softball when she was seven-years-old when her doctor, Larry Baylis, got her into the sport.

"He was her first softball coach," Cindy added. "That's how the love of the game started. He is really upbeat, positive, and believes in everyone. I attribute him to her loving the game."

She is a middle fielder and learned how to play outfield this year. She plays all year round with Finesse Gold, a premier fastpitch program, and plays against top teams from across the nation. She also plays for the Lady Wolves Varsity Softball team in the spring.

Mikayla explained she knew she always wanted to play softball in college since she was young and always had love for the game.

"When I play softball, no matter what the situation is at home, no matter what happens to me that day or where I am at, when I step on the field it is a completely different environment," she explained. "It is just me playing the game. It is a nice get away and I enjoy the game a lot."

She is part of the International Baccalaureate program at the high school and finished her junior year with a grade point average of 4.0.

"I love the IB program," said Cindy. "It really pulls the kids out of their shells and makes them achievers."

When she is not studying or playing softball she enjoys art and likes to draw and paint.

Her advice to younger athletes and aspiring athletes is to set goals high.

"You never know how high you can reach until you try," Mikayla explained. "I don't think you have to be a natural. I am definitely not a natural in school or athletically but hard work goes a long way. If you really want something and you put forth the work and the effort you can achieve anything."

As of right now Mikayla is undecided on her focus of study at Princeton.

She explained it will depend on the qualification for the FBI, since she would like to apply for the bureau when she graduates college.

She is currently leaning towards language or psychology because she is interested on how the brain works.

Camp motivates Mountaineers in football and life

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The players on the Everest Collegiate High School Football team open with their first game this week and take with them lessons they learned during Virtue Camp.

"It was an opportunity to help the boys grow," said Mike Pruchnicki, head coach, about the pre-season camp. "It was an opportunity to help them learn from others."

"It was interesting," said Sal Mastromatteo, senior quarterback. "We stayed the night, had a bonfire on the field and got wood from the back, and all told stories. Then, fell asleep on the field."

"We became brothers," added Adam Legg, senior cornerback. "We got to know each other better."

During the camp they participated in team bonding activities and heard inspirational talks from three different speakers: Dr. John Wood, author and founder of Mobile Eyes, LLC; Lewis Caralla, assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of Michigan; and Nik Hoot, high school wrestler from Indiana who lost both of his legs at birth.

"Each motivated in their own way," Mastromatteo added. "One was more a spiritual talk, another was football, and one was more of a strength of will talk. The things



The Everest Collegiate High School Football team with Lewis Caralla, center. Photo provided

they talked about were really inspirational. Sometimes practice can be a drag but they gave us tips on how to get through it and how they presented it was in a fun way."

"They definitely did a good job," Legg agreed. "It gave you the reason why you are doing it. Sometime you just forget what the purpose is. Dr. Wood talked about what our purpose is."

He added Caralla taught them about all the things they can do without talent.

"All the things that come from inside of you like hard work and talent," Legg said. "It really pumped us up for the season, to give all we have for the team, and to put the

team first."

Both are excited for the football season, which is the second season for Everest's program and for Legg and Mastromatteo.

"It is a great way to make new friends and it is a great way to feel accepted into high school," Mastromatteo said. "Our team is a lot more experienced now. It is always fun."

"I love it," said Legg. "It brings the entire school together."

The goals include making it to playoffs and to push themselves to their full potential.

"From there, good things will happen," said Mastromatteo.

The team has 12 returners with 13 new players, including ten freshman.

"Experience is a big thing," Pruchnicki said about the returners, adding their leadership in their faith is also big. "They set the example of how to do things the right way. The new guys bring energy and excitement."

The Mountaineers host their home opener this Thursday against Allen Park Cabrini, 7 p.m.

"It is going to be tough," said Pruchnicki. "Cabrini has a big school and a well-established football program. We are going in hard to compete and do our best."

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DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Friday, Aug. 29	Warren Collegiate	7pm A
Saturday, Sept. 6	Macomb Lutheran North	1pm H
Saturday, Sept. 13	Melvindale AB&T	1pm H
Saturday, Sept 20	Cranbrook	1pm H
Saturday, Sept 27	Bishop Foley	1pm H
Saturday, Oct. 4	Shrine (Homecoming)	1pm H
Saturday, Oct. 11	Allen Park Cabrini	1pm A
Saturday, Oct. 17	Riverview Richard	7pm A
Friday, Oct. 24 A.H.	Oakland Christian	4pm A
Saturday, Oct. 25	Prep Bowl Ford Field	4pm A

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Friday, September 5	at A.H Oakland Christian	7pm
Friday September 12	at M.H. Bishop Foley	7pm
Friday, September 19	at TBA	7pm
Saturday, September 27	Lenawee Christian (Homecoming)	7pm
Friday, October 3	at Atherton	7pm
Friday, October 10	M.C. Cardinal Mooney	7pm
Saturday, October 18	at Grosse Pointe Liggett	1pm
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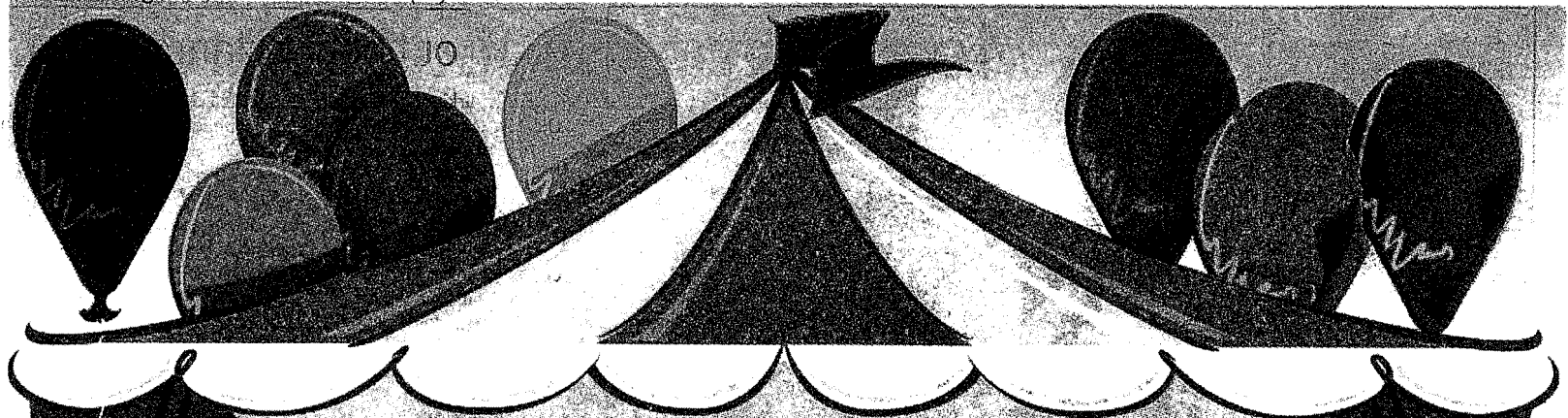
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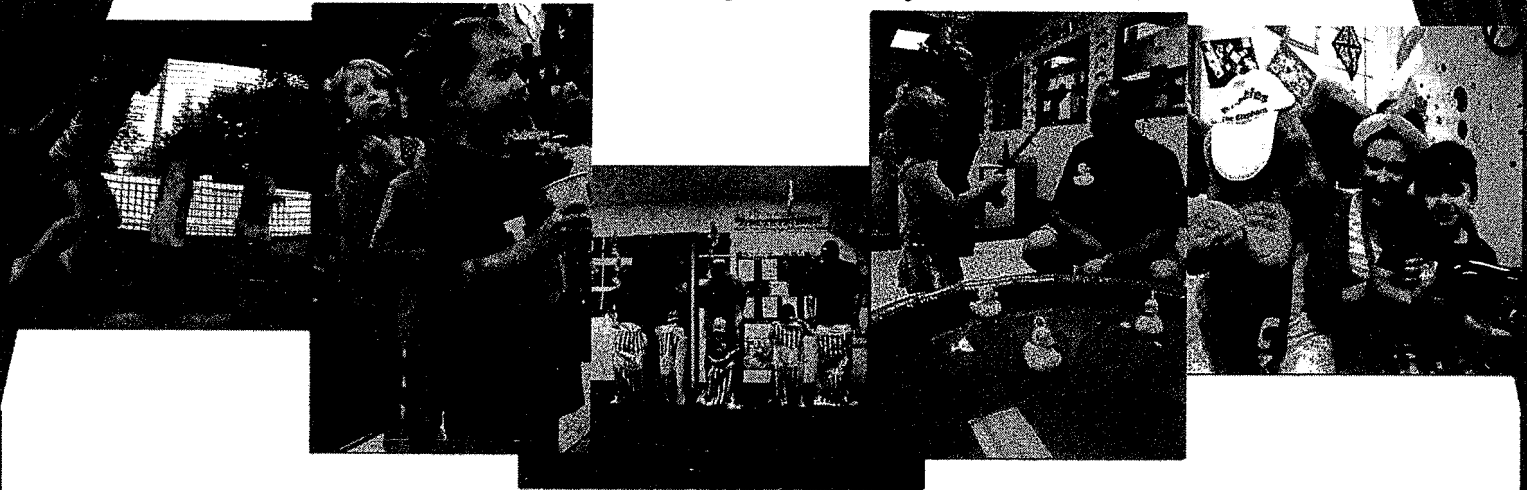


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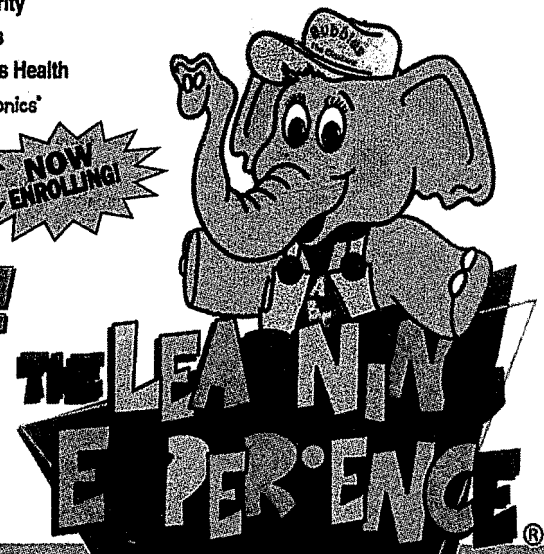
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John Schmidt is ready to get dried off. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Ice water dousing raises funds for ALS

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"I kind of liked it," Schmidt said when he received the challenge. "I like the challenge. I was looking forward to it and glad I got the challenge."

He gave the department heads the task to make the water as cold as they could. He also spread the challenge to his fellow store directors in Alpena, Tawas, and St. Clair.

When Mouser received the challenge, she thought it would be fun.

"I was wondering how my best friend could do that to me," she smiled. "I'm glad I was able to do it here. I asked if I could do it when I got off work and they said John was doing it when he got off work. I thought, even better."

The challenge has swept the nation, raising money to fight amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

"It is to bring awareness and

gain donations for research for it," said Schmidt. "The first I had seen it was a month ago. It has been going on heavy. Maybe we'll get some more in Clarkston."

Once challenged, the person has 24 hours to douse themselves with cold water on video, pass the challenge to more people, and/or make donations. As of Tuesday morning, ALS has raised \$88.5 million for research. Visit www.alsa.org.

~Staff Writer Wendi Reardon

Golf outing for dance team

The Clarkston High School Dance Team hosts the 18th Annual Golf Outing at Pine Knob Golf Course, Sept 14. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. and shotgun start is at 9 a.m.

It is \$100 per golfer and includes 18-hole scramble with cart in teams of four, driving range with free bucket of balls; two drink tickets; continental breakfast and Bloody Mary Bar; lunch

buffet, door prizes raffle ticket; hospitality gift bag at reception; 50/50 raffle; and live auction.

There is a \$10 entry fee for all contests including longest drive, closest to pin, skins, signature putting contest and lowest group score.

All proceeds go to the high school dance team. Check out *The Clarkston News* Facebook page for a form.

Passes for fall sports

The fall season officially begins next week and athletic passes are now available.

Passes are available for all home athletic events at Sashabaw Middle School, Clarkston Junior High and Clarkston High School.

Family passes are \$175, which each member of your household

will receive a pass, and individual student passes are \$75.

Passes can be purchased at the Attendance Office at Clarkston High School Monday-Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. and during student registration August 19, 21 and 27. Cash and checks only. Checks to "Clarkston Community Schools."

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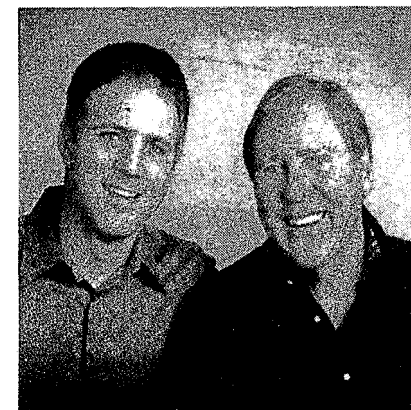
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Beverly and Michael Lekse enjoyed dinner at the fund raiser.



Donna Cook and Tom Mitcham, driver for senior transportation. Photos by Phil Custodio



Beverly Babiak fills in a square for a prize from one of Bucks for Buses sponsors.

Bucks for Buses

Senior supporters enjoyed a pizza and pasta buffet and cupcakes for dessert at Bucks for Buses, Aug. 20, at Over Tyme Grill and Tap Room in Waterford.

"It's the biggest fund raiser of the year to fund transportation for senior citizens and disabled adults," said Barbara Rollin, senior center director. "Turnout was about twice last year's."

Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center provides rides to seniors and adults with disabilities to doctors appointments, work, and other appointments.



From left are Roger Landry, Jean Pachita, and Joe Pachuta.

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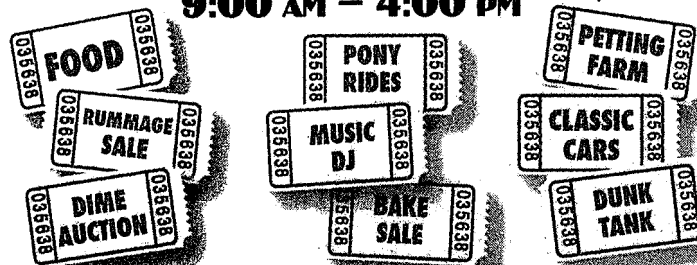
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New car for lucky raffle winner

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Friday, Aug. 22, will be long remembered as a lucky day for Jon Curlee, whose name was drawn for a brand new 2014 2LS Black Coupe Chevrolet Camaro at Bowman Chevrolet in Clarkston.

About 2,200 tickets were sold for \$25 each to benefit Grace Centers of Hope. Attendance wasn't required to win, so less than a dozen showed up at the drawing. Curlee was one of them.

"We are so thrilled someone was present for the win and at the same time we could benefit a great charity," said Katie Bowman Coleman, owner of the dealership.

Curlee purchased four tickets for the drawing, along with a fifth bought online on the day of the drawing at the last minute.

The Auburn Hills resident was shocked to win the car, and said he missed a gathering with friends to be present at the drawing.

"Now they will understand why I did not show up," he said. "I just can't believe I won. I just can't believe it."

Curlee said he was in the market for a new car, and planned on trading in his old one for a Chevy Impala. According to Grace Center of Hope, he has been participating in the Charity Car raffle for the last few years, and is a big supporter of Grace Centers.

Megan Gillesby, special events coordinator for Grace Centers of Hope, said it was a special moment when one of the people who showed up won the car. Odds were she would have to call the lucky winner.

Facebookers responded excitedly to the news. Maryagnes VanKlaveren thanked Bowman for participating and said Clarkston is lucky to have the dealership.

Steve Showers congratulated Curlee and said he hoped to see him cruising on Woodward.



Jon Curlee was one of about 10 people in attendance for a drawing for a new car. Curlee held just five of 2200 tickets sold for the car. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Gillesby thanked Bowman for their participation in the raffle and said it really helps this time of year because the giving is down in the summer.

Grace Centers of Hope, a shelter in Pontiac, helps people who are homeless for a variety of reasons from mental illness to drug and alcohol abuse.

The center, founded in 1942, has a campus-like setting providing shelter and programs to help the homeless rebuild their lives so they can re-enter society as productive and responsible citizens.

Gillesby said money raised will also help

stock the food pantry at the center.

Each year, Bowman Chevrolet provides about five cars to raffle off for charitable causes. In addition to Grace Centers of Hope, Bowman sponsors SCAMP, Easter Seals, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, as well as several other causes.

The next raffle, for a new Corvette for Easter Seals, is in September. Another convertible Camaro drawing is on Oct. 4 to benefit the Clarkston Lions Club.

Tickets are now being sold for both raffles. For more information visit www.bowmanchevy.com.



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Tent Sale for Daughters of the American Revolution preservation, education, veterans programs, Sept. 12-14, 63 W. Washington. Preview, Sept. 11.

Makers & Doers Festival, vintage, art, handmade crafts, specialty foods, craft brews, local wines and spirits, food trucks, Sept. 27-28, Springfield Oaks, 12451 Andersonville Road. 734-459-0050.

Treasures and Treats fund raiser for Neighbor for Neighbor emergency assistance center, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Sept. 27, Hart Community Center, Davisburg. 248-634-0900.

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 Park's Lakeview room. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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

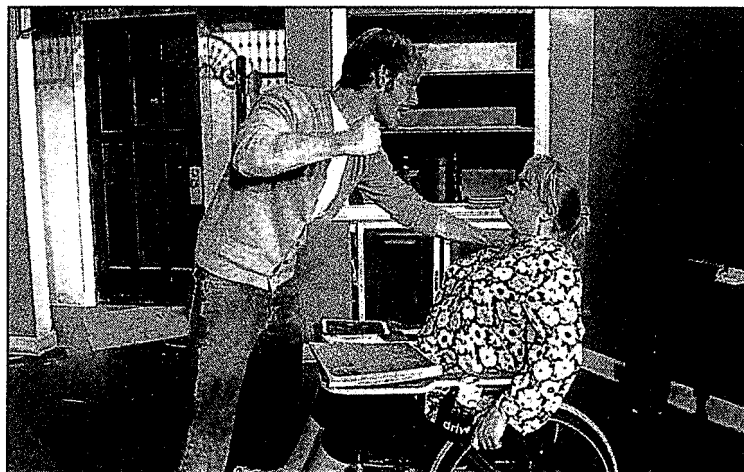
Tuesday

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,

Around Town

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



DRAMA: Clarkston Village Players' Ryan Ernst (Michael) and Kez Settle (Elizabeth) rehearse a dramatic scene from their 2014-15 season opener, "Dead Certain" by Marcus Lloyd. The psychological thriller is directed and produced by Verne Vackaro. Michael is an out-of-work actor who agrees to privately act out a new play written by Elizabeth, a reclusive theatre-obsessed ex-dancer. When they start to read Elizabeth's script, Michael is startled to find disturbing similarities to real life. Truth and illusion become inseparable in this intriguing murder mystery. Performances are Sept. 4-7 and 11-13. For tickets, call 248-425-5842 email tickets@clarkstonvillageplayers.org. Photo provided

clarkstonband@gmail.com.

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.

Wednesday

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

Cancer Lunch and Learn Series, 12-1:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1. Nutrition topics presented by Nuview

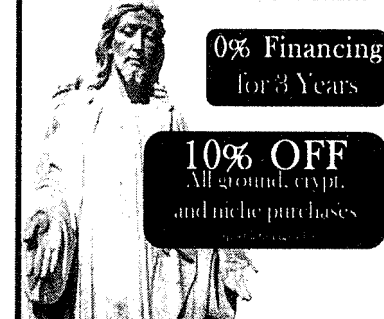
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Thursday

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

Independence Township Conservatives Club, 6 p.m., Sept. 11, King's Court Castle, Canterbury Village, 2369 Joslyn Court, Lake Orion. Speaker: David Littman, senior economist with the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, on the "Return to the Gold Standard."

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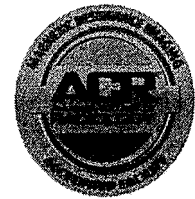


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Summer ends, but faith continues

"Where has the summer gone?" It seems like just yesterday that we couldn't wait for warm weather after such a tough winter.

Now we are starting school again and conversations have already turned to what kind of winter will we have this year. Life turns very quickly and summer seems so fleeting.

I have found that we sometimes try to pack so much fun and activity and relaxation into summer that it can work against actually experiencing these things. So perhaps we could ask another question...

"What are we going to do now/today?" I believe this question is a far more productive one that we can actually do something about, at least in part.

First, I believe that it is essential to build some "summer" into the rest of the year - some intentional time to rest and relax and play and spend precious moments with family and friends and God.

This is really the biblical concept of "Sabbath" time and it is designed to help us rest and refocus on God's good gifts to us in creation.

Sabbath "summer" time reminds us that we are not ultimately in charge and that everything comes to us as gift.

It's one way of saying that "God is God, and we're not!"

In addition, I also believe that the end of summer is a time to reflect on life's priorities just as "regular" activity resumes.

Some questions to consider include: Does life really have to be so frantic? What will I

choose to do and what will I choose not to do? Can I simplify my life and focus on what matters most? Will the people I love most really know how much I care? Will I get enough exercise or sleep? What new thing will I learn? How will I grow spiritually? Will I take time to serve and love others, such as with the *My Habitat Clarkston* build this fall? What will I generously give to? Will I take time for worship and prayer?

What a privilege we have to live every day as the gift that it is, no matter what the season.

And each day we have an opportunity to prioritize our days according to God's design and the values we hold.

One of my favorite Bible passages reminds me of the value of each and every day no matter what does or doesn't happen: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

So often we live in either the past with regret or the future with anxiety, rather than in the present with thanksgiving and joy.

Of course living in the day is not always an easy thing to do. Yet when I do, I experience more joy and peace. The Bible says that we should "Cast all your anxiety on (God), because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

I believe that God, in his amazing grace, wills to redeem our past (no matter what it holds) and to assure us about the future (no matter what it holds).

But most of all I think God wants to journey with us today, and for us to give our lives over to his control. I want to encourage you (and me) to make this our number one priority this fall.

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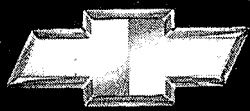
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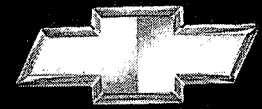
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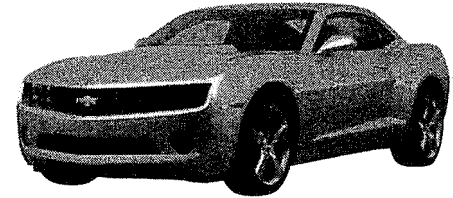
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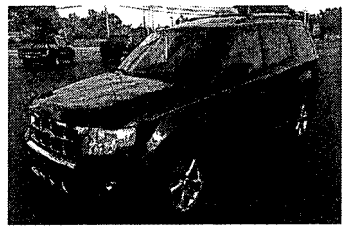
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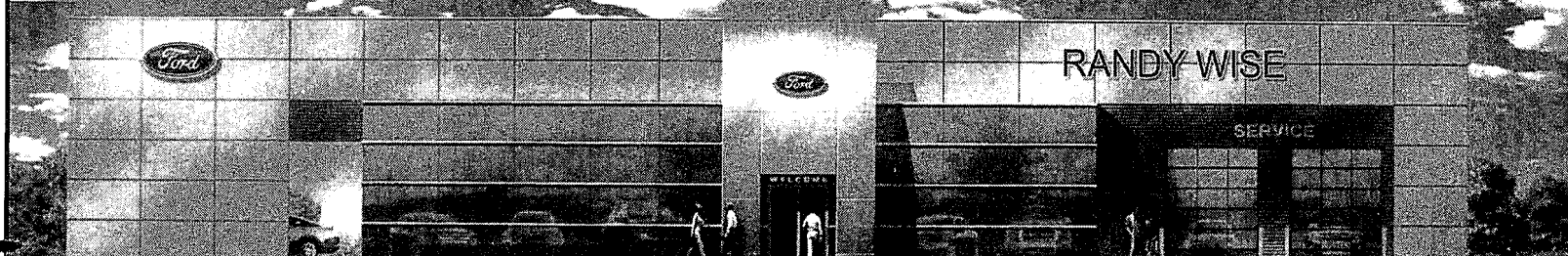
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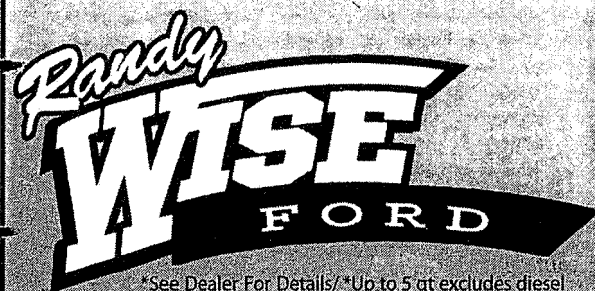
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He was born on June 27, 1942, in Sherman, Texas, to the late James and Allene Van Hooser. Jim is survived by his loving and devoted wife, D'Anne; loving father of Kara and Randall; dear granddad of Talon; brother of Carole June (Emmett), Doris (Mack), Terry (Donna) and the late David (Sue); also will be dearly missed by many nieces and nephews.

Jim served in the United States Marine Corps from 1960-1964. He worked and retired from General Motors as manager in Industrial Engineering after 35 years of service.

After retirement, Jim loved to travel in his RV and visited several countries. He also had a loving passion for classic cars.

Funeral Service was Aug. 21 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Full military honors and burial at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Memorials may be made to Cleveland Clinic Lung Transplant Program. Online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Kelly L. Sanchez (Burnette) of Clarkston passed away Aug. 19, 2014, unexpectedly due to heart failure, at age 57.

She was preceded in death by her father Voris "Kelly" Burnette. She was the daughter of Lawrie Burnette; sister of Edward; aunt of Patrick.

Kelly was employed at Havenwick. She enjoyed reading and previously was a Bally's aerobics instructor.

Visitation was Aug. 26 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston.

Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



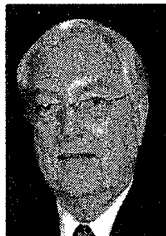
Robert A. Sutton, 83

Robert A. Sutton of Clarkston passed away Aug. 24, 2014, at age 83.

He was the husband of Janet for 58 years; father of Amy (Mark) Johnson and Alice (John) Burbank; grandfather of Andrea and Mitchell Johnson, Jack, Violet and Evelyn Burbank; preceded in death by his son Jack.

Bob retired from General Motors in 1993 and continued to be actively involved in the automotive community.

Memorial Service, Saturday, Aug. 30, at 11 a.m., at Clarkston United Methodist Church, where friends may visit at the church after 10 a.m. Arrangements entrusted to the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO: PROBATE COURT 2014-357, 992-TV COUNTY OF OAKLAND CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

In the matter of The William A. and Willa J. Moore Trust, U/A/V D April 4, 2006

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS, including: William Moore, Jr., Iris Ese, Tommi Lauren King, Edward May, Cammie Ese, Kenneth Ese and Kevin Ese whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: The hearing will be held on August 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. will now be held on September 17, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341 before Judge Kathleen A. Ryan for the following purpose: Petition for Limited Supervision of Trust to Appoint Successor Trustee

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STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO: PROBATE COURT 2014-358, 443-DE COUNTY OF OAKLAND CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

In the matter of Dolores G. Marcus, Deceased.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: Unknown Heirs whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on September 24, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341 before Judge Kathleen A. Ryan for the following purpose: Petition for Probate and Appointment of Personal Representative and determination of heirs

8/14/2014
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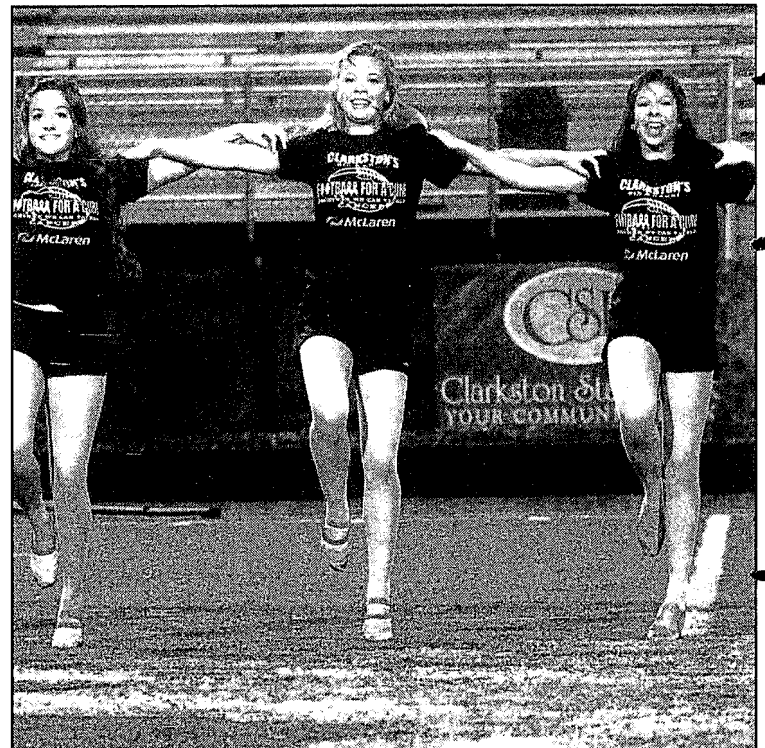
STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO: PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

Estate of Barbara A. Madsen, deceased. Date of birth: 10-22-1921

TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Barbara A. Madsen, died 6-24-2014.

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Kathryn M. Caruso (P44723) 6480 Citation Drive Clarkston, MI 48346 248.625-0600 Kay Neumann 6548 Amy Drive Clarkston, MI 48348 248.625-0433



The Lady Wolves high kick...

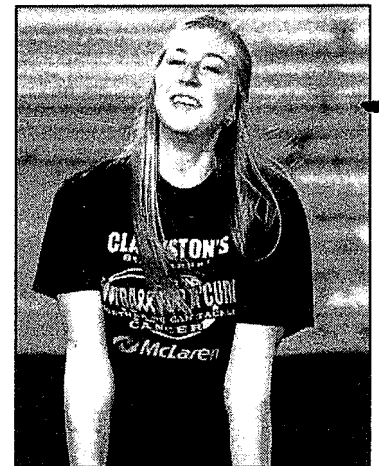
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The Clarkston Varsity Dance team's performance during Football for a Cure was delayed due to technical difficulties.

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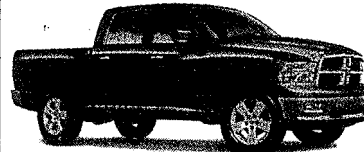


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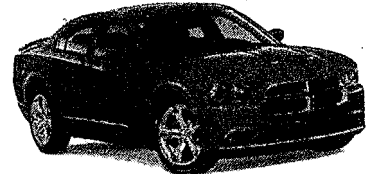


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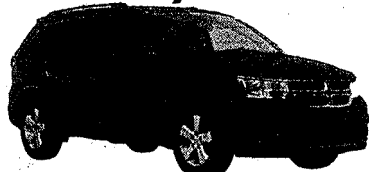


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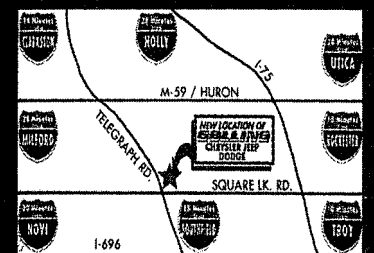
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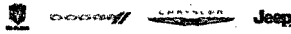
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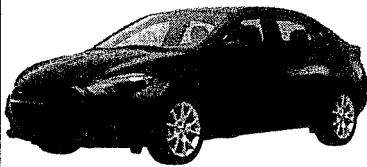


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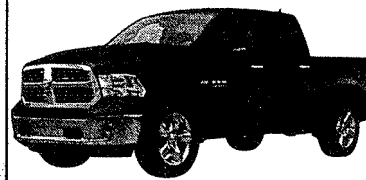
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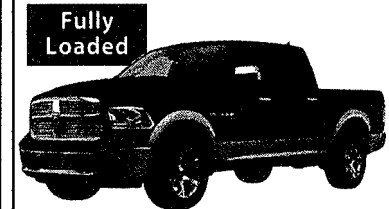
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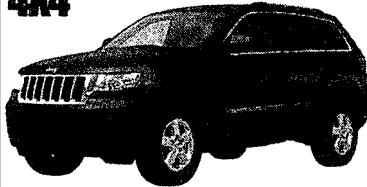
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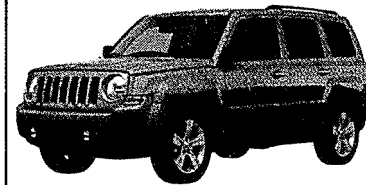
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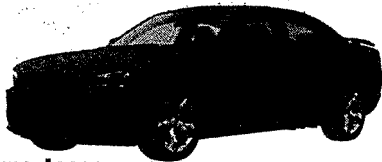
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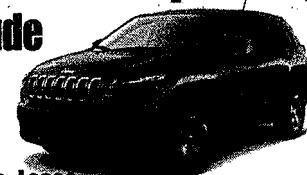
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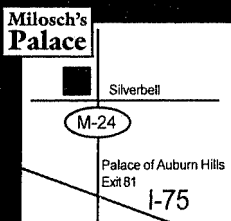
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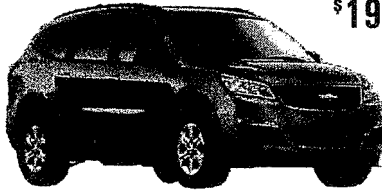
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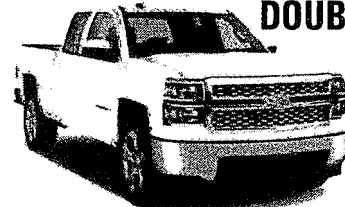
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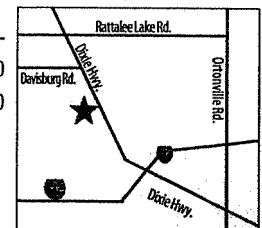
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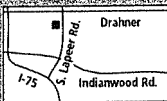
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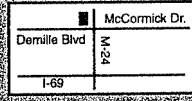
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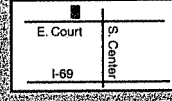
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Wildcats return for another rock'em sock'em season

By Dan Shriner

Football Correspondent

There are many unknowns in the upcoming 2014 Oxford football season.

But one known factor is that Coach Bud Rowley will have his team ready and they will play tough hard-nosed Wildcat football.

Another factor is the team has quarterback Glacier Wallington, who is a senior this year and has been a starter since he was a freshman.

"He's the real deal," Rowley said.

It will be up to Wallington to lead an offense that Rowley describes as having several rookies and little experience

"We don't have a lot of experience on offense but we are enthusiastic and we believe in what we do," Rowley said. "On the offensive side, we lost pretty much everyone but Glacier. We have to line up and hopefully we will get better each week. We are moving in that direction."

As to who will be the team's tailback and

fullback, Rowley said, "It's still up in the air." He said there are at least two fullback candidates and three players fighting for the important tailback spot.

In early season practices, Rowley said it looks like there may be a couple of players who could perform well as receivers.

"We just don't know yet," Rowley said. "I am pleased with how hard everyone is working and the enthusiasm."

On the defensive side, Rowley said the team is in good shape. They will have William Horne and John Patrick returning at two linebacker spots. Scott Stubenrauch and Anthony Chavez Moore are experienced at defensive back positions. Wallington also has performed well on the defensive side as a defensive back in prior years.

"We have some really good experience on defense and we look good there," Rowley said.

The Wildcats are moving into the Red Division in the Oakland Activities

Association due to increased school enrollment. That places them with the bigger schools. Last season they were in the White Division.

Moving to the Red Division means the Wildcats will face Clarkston, Lake Orion, Troy, Troy Athens and Stoney Creek.

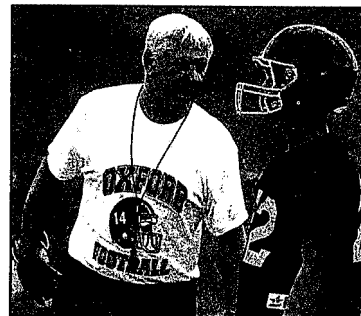
They open the season with home games against Romeo on August 29, followed by Stoney Creek on September 5. Both games have 7 p.m. starts. The Lake Orion meeting will be at Oxford on September 19.

The team made the state playoffs last season, but finished with a 5-5 mark. They lost, 30-27, to Clarkston in the opening playoff game. That game could have gone either way and Clarkston went on win the state title.

Traditionally, Oxford is known for its hard-nosed and running style of football. The team is often ~~underrated~~ compared to other larger programs, but coaches often talk about how much they hate facing Oxford because of the ferociousness of the players.

That's the trademark of a Bud Rowley-coached team and the 2014 team will not be any different.

"You have to take your hats off to the kids and coaching staff," Rowley said. "I drive a hard bargain and ask a ton of them. We look pretty solid overall. We're going to work hard, believe in each other and just play."



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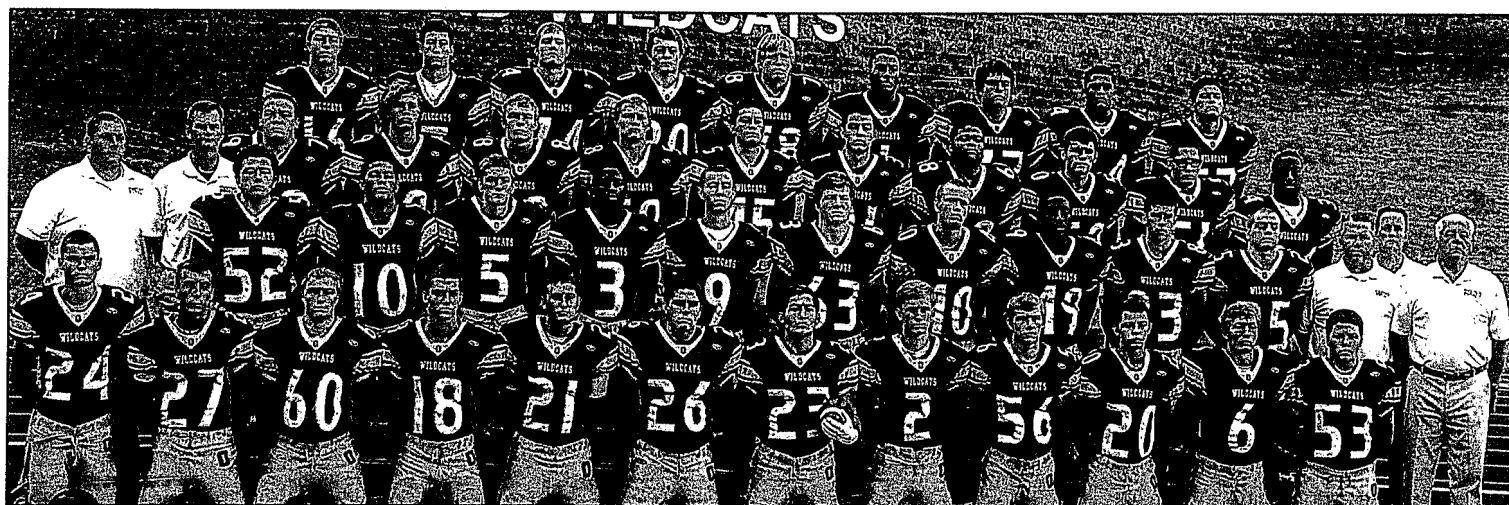
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Friday	08/29/14	Romeo High School	Home	7:00 PM
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Friday	09/26/14	Clarkston High School	Home	7:00 PM
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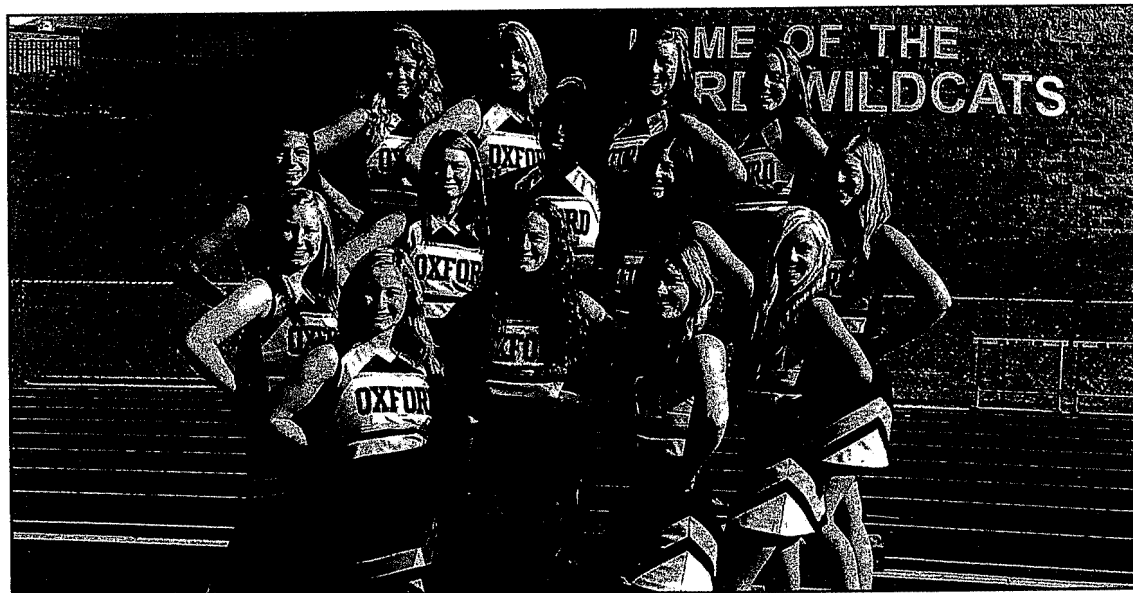


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2	Rowley, Anson	DB	11	5'9	150	48	Cyrus, Paul	DL	11	5'9"	190
3	Henry, Jordan	DB	12	6	185	49	Etchen, Jermaine	DL	11	6"	205
5	Kostecki, Cody	DB	12	6'	145	50	Snable, Andrew	DL	12	6'	190
6	Barry, Drake	DB	10	5'10"	190	51	Dymond, Jared	DL	11	6'1"	215
8	Lewis, Brenden	DB	11	6'	175	52	Wellette-Hunsucker, Austin	DL	12	6'	205
9	Grove, Noah	K	12	5'10	163	53	Hebb, Dawsen	DL	11	5'7	200
10	Wallington, Glacier	DB	12	5'10	160	56	Hassenzahl, John	LB	12	6'	175
16	Schlicht, Adam	LB	12	6'	190	57	Ratkowiak, Seth	DL	11	5'9	200
18	Urban, Louis	DB	10	5'9	157	58	Kinne, Levi	DL	10	6'2	200
19	Kinne, Noah	LB	11	6	185	61	Moore, Travis	DL	10	6'1	185
20	Hall, Joshua	DB	11	5'8	150	63	Kerin, Ethan	LB	11	5'10	200
21	Medvedik, Derek	LB	11	5'9	175	64	Schlickemeyer, Adam	DL	11	6'	200
23	Chavez Moore, Anthony	DB	12	5'9"	175	73	Pettiford, Jalil	DL	12	6'3"	260
24	Prusa, Michael	DB	12	6'	175	74	Gilbert, Carl	DL	11	6'3"	235
25	Patrick, John	LB	11	5'11	190	77	Thorne, Tyler	DL	11	6'2'	300
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27	Stubenrauch, Scott	DB	12	5'6	150	79	Goodman, Noah	DL	12	5'10	250
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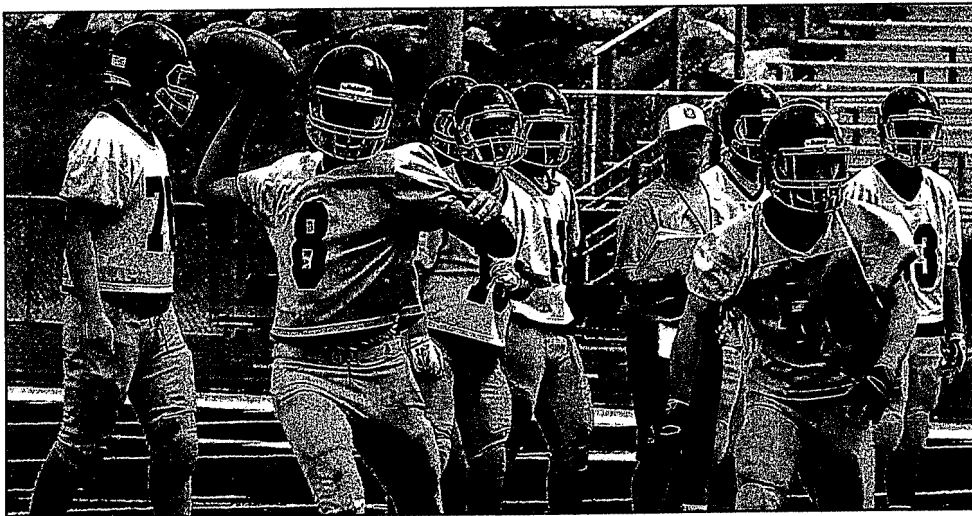
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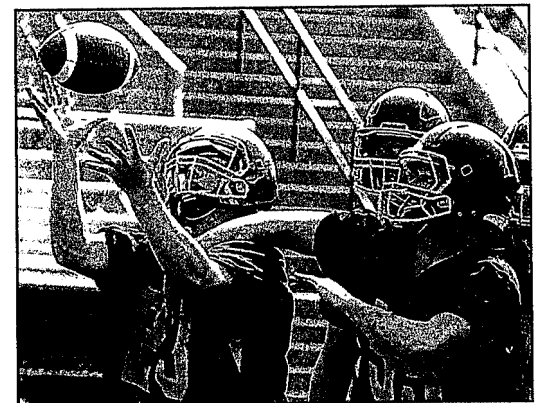
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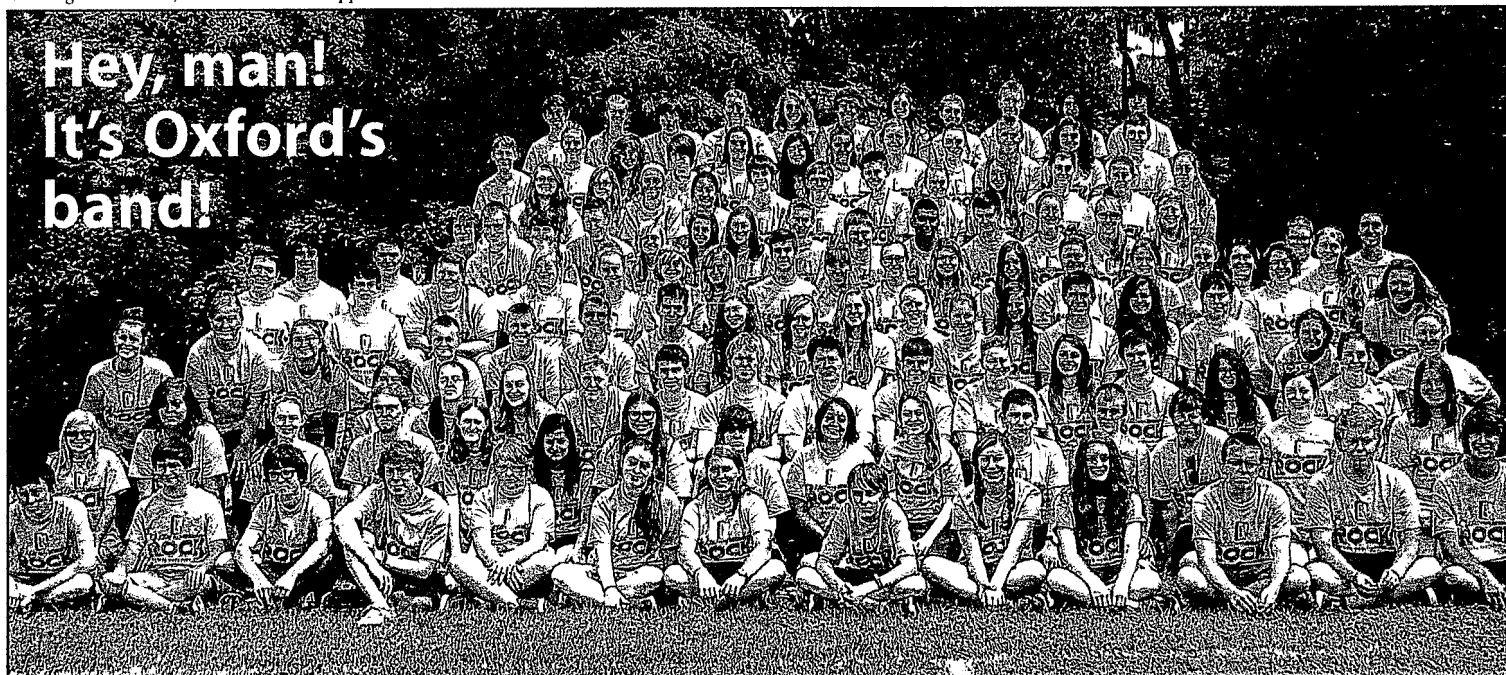
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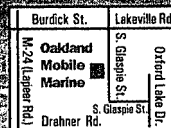
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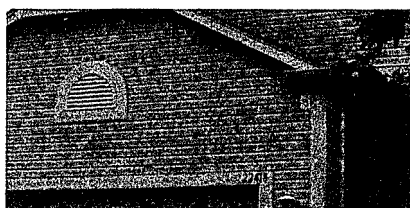
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Talent, size and enthusiasm will lead the Dragons to success

By Joe St. Henry
Football Correspondent

What Lake Orion's 2014 varsity football team lacks in experience it makes up in talent, size and eagerness, according to Head Coach Chris Bell.

There are only four returning players on offense that saw significant action last season, but Bell thinks the Dragons will compete for the OAA Red championship and a berth in the state playoffs for the 14th straight year.

The only question is if the team can start fast and enjoy some early season success as his younger players tackle a tough learning curve.

"I expect us to get better every week and by the end of the season be really good," the coach said. "But, if we start out strong - look out."

The younger players will learn from senior running back Matt Krause (6'1", 195), who Bell said could evolve into one of the Lake Orion's all-time best ball carriers, with Division 1 college speed and size.

"Matt has all the tools to be something special, but doesn't know yet how good he can be," the coach said. "If he has a big season, people are going to take notice."

Lake Orion's coaches also are excited about slot backs senior Zach Serzo and sophomore Keith Fields, both of whom will be threats to score any time they touch the ball, Bell said. Senior Logan Shadaia (5'10", 225) will provide the Dragons with a different look at running back, while starting at linebacker.

The offensive line will be anchored by returning starter senior Austin Jones. A

number of linemen are competing for the other starting spots in pre-season camp.

"We're young on the line, but as big and strong as we've been in years," Bell said.

Early in the season, the head coach said the offense will feature two talented quarterbacks capable of running the Dragon offense, senior Cam Kostiz and sophomore Max Horneffer.

"We've used two quarterbacks in the past but, as the season progresses, I expect one of them to emerge as our starter," Bell said.

The Dragons will rely heavily on their defense as the offense evolves, with seven returning starters who saw regular playing time last year.

Bell said he expects the unit to play very physical, a hallmark of Lake Orion defensive units for years. Leading the way this year are junior lineman Justin Cathers, senior linebackers Jack Luby (a D1 prospect) and Shadaia, as well as defensive backs Jaylen Wiggins and Drew Casey, both juniors.

"The strength of our defense is the front seven and our two returning safeties," he said. "It's been a long time since we've had such a big and athletic defensive line."

Lake Orion and Clarkston, the defending D1 state champions, figure to fight for the league title again this year, but Bell said the OAA Red is very balanced.

"There's not a team on our schedule that we can't beat, but there's not a team that can't beat us either if we don't play hard," he said. "I expect it to be wide open."

Lake Orion opens on the road August 28, against Chippewa Valley. The Dragons only play three home games thanks to the OAA realignment this year.

"I'm not worried about the schedule," Bell said. "We traditionally play well on the road and are excited to get the season going."

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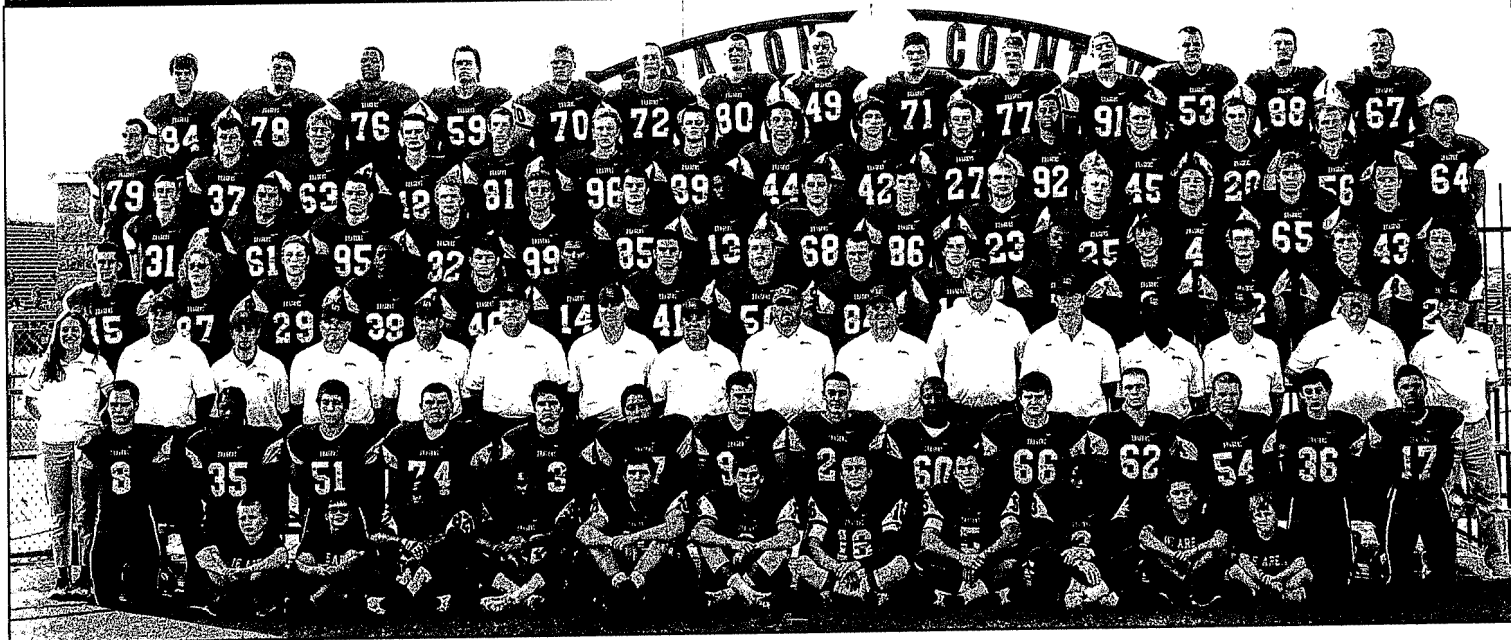
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86	Aiello, Matthew	WR	11	27	Kolp, Ryan	LB	10
85	Awdish, Andrew	WR	12	8	Kostiz, Cameron	QB	12
45	Babich, Thomas	DL	12	25	Krause, Matthew	RB	12
89	Barkeley, Tyler	WR	11	65	Long, Nolan	DL	12
26	Basar, Nicholas	RB	12	49	Luby, John	LB	12
64	Beckman, Ethan	DL	11	70	McCarty, Jeffrey	OL	10
50	Benson, Joshua	OL	11	23	McClea, Jack	LB	11
54	Berger, Jacob	DL	11	17	McDonald, William	DB	11
2	Bevilacqua, Lucas	K	11	88	McGee, Austin	WR	12
91	Braden, Dezmond	WR	11	32	Mercier, Sean	LB	12
35	Broner, La'Juan	RB	11	14	Miller, Zakee	DB	12
7	Buggs Jr, Terrence	QB	11	31	Nordyke, Brenton	DB	11
47	Camacho Sorroza, Alexis	DL		72	Novak, Nicholas	OL	10
20	Casey, Drew	DB	11	95	Orselli, Anthony	DL	11
67	Cathers, Justin	DL	11	96	Pasden, Zachery	LB	11
39	Cleary, Dallas	WR	10	36	Rasico, Cameron	DB	11
60	Coachman, Demetrius	DL		71	Ritter, Vince	DL	12
43	Coppy, Dakota	RB	11	29	Rose, Nicholas	DB	10
48	Cottrell, Spencer	DB	12	94	Ryan, Michael	LB	11
68	Crick, Thomas	OL	11	5	Serzo, Zachary	RB	12
87	Crousore, Chad	DL	12	61	Shadaia, Cameron	DL	11
66	Denver, Noah	DL	11	4	Shadaia, Logan	LB	12
79	Erker, Jacob	OL	12	46	Simjanovski, Gabriel	LB	11
93	Escobedo, Cristian	DL	11	53	Sites, Tyler	OL	12
78	Farris, Howard	OL	12	10	Smart, Bay	LB	11
3	Fields Jr, Keith	RB	10	99	Smude, Adam	K	12
76	Figueroa, Jonathan	DL	11	44	Thede, Jacob	DL	11
92	Figueroa, Stephen	WR	11	77	Thompson, Brendan	OL	11
80	Fox, Nicholas	WR	12	42	Thorne, Joel	WR	11
19	Garoufalis, Frank	DB	12	63	Valin, Robert	DL	12
74	Gould, Ryan	DL	11	59	VanLear, Griffin	OL	12
22	Higgins, Dawson	QB	11	15	Wakai, Jacob	DB	12
37	Hockenberry III, Michael	B	11	62	Walter, Tony	DL	11
16	Horneffer, Maxwell	QB	10	38	Warren, Deshunare	RB	11
28	Hughes, Aaron	DB	12	82	Warren, Overdis	DB	11
18	Hurford, Evan	WR	12	41	Weglarz, Peter	LB	12
83	Ivanaj, Alexander	WR	11	13	Wiggins, Jaylen	DB	11
6	Jarvis, Michael	WR	10	84	Wood, Ryan	WR	12
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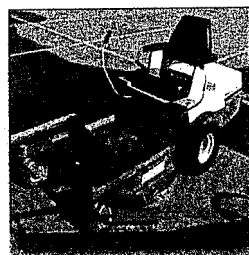
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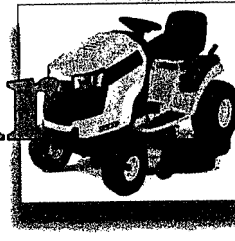
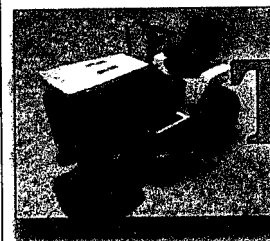
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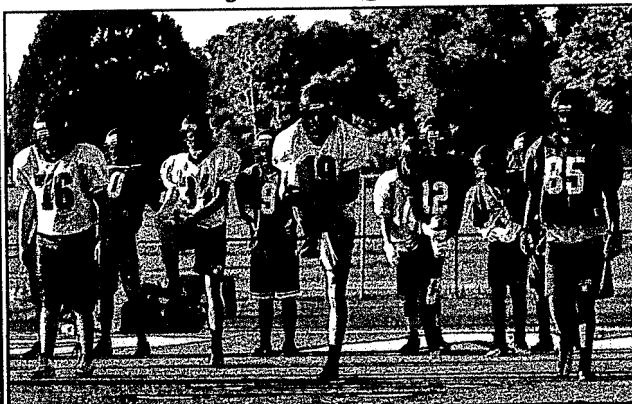
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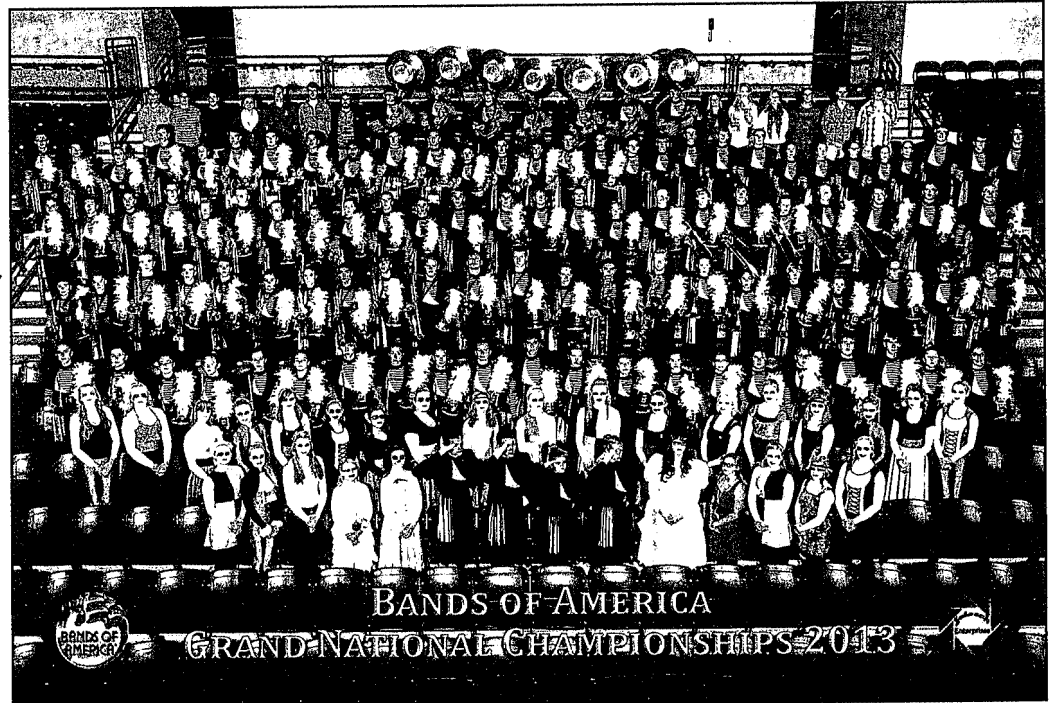
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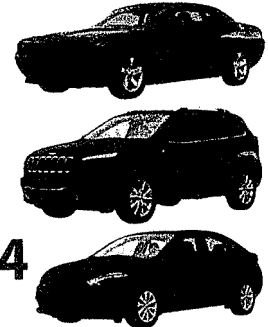
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Geiger, Alexandra
Granzow, Emily
Gregory, Ashley
Greschke, Courtney
Hargett, Bethany
Hillman, Corinn
Hines, Alexis
Hupperich, Kim
Kahrs, Karmen
Kosten, Jessica
Laveque, Hannah

Leach, Alayna
Lopez, Jennifer
Lopez, Rubi
Maduri, Rachel
Mecum, Alexis
Muenz, Marie
Murray, Breanna
Olds, Sara
Rodriguez, Kayla
Slomczynski, Andrea
Wood, Gabby
Flutes:
Baker, Joshua
DeClerck, Marley
Dillon, Nick
Gamboa, Lauren
Henide, Samantha
Holeva, Amy
Kimminal, Kiera
Kinsler, Raven

Miller, Rachel
Nacey, Missy
Norden, Kaylee
Ray, Hayley
Tunney, Delaney
Clarinets:
Arce, Ceci
Boullin, Emmaline
Craig, Zachary
Flanigan, Jenna
Hubek, Emma
Hurley, Brianna
Jongekrijg, Adam
Mailoux, Allison
Sinz, Caitlin
Alto Saxophones:
Aventi, Sierra
Buxton, Nate
Conlon, Kelly
Hicks, Sydney

Jurj, Matthew
Meersseman, Domenic
Trumbore, Levi
VanNocker, Marcus
Vieira, Stephanie
Wilson, Sydney
Tenor Saxophones:
Albertson, Tim
Bessette, Quinn
Brenner, John
Klee, John
Roman, Jacob
Smielewski, Cam
Baritone Saxophones:
Damato, Nick
Kirkpatrick, Keara
Trumpets:
Asher, Cody
Atwater, Scott
Bell, James

Bell, Joel
Bruner, Kayla
Hoppe, Will
Kiefer, Dallas
Kulkis, Emily
Leh, Alex
Meech, Connor
Mendez, Jose
Rosenbrook, Taylor
Sanborn, Ryan
Scher, Riley
Schneider, Jarod
Tyrrell, Katie
Watros, Katelyn
Wetherholt, Corey
White, Austin
Mellophones:
Arbuckle, Stephanie
DePalma, Sean

Holmes, Phoebe
Mattiuz, Alysen
Shulke, Audrey
Tress, Gina
Tyrrell, Drew
Ulery, Ryan
Young, Courtney
Trombones:
Anderson, Jared
Belanger, Kyra
Gdowski, Sam
Helme, Cameron
Higgins, James
King, Dakota
Pelig, Olivia
Pendergrass, Hanna
Baritones:
Abbott, Doug
Marion, Hunter

Marshall, Nicholas
Movius, Sam
Paxton, Lilly
Pecheniuk, AJ
Popielarczyk, Matt
Savard, Lexi
Sousaphones:
Bennett, Jay
Coachman, Trey
Gdowski, Zach
Gembarski, Justin
Gugel, Alexa
Priebe, Jaclyn
Vinson, Destiny
Drumline:
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Bernard, Nico
Hertel, Kaley
Leigh, Jon

Phipps, Daniel
Phipps, Josh
Sloan, Alia
Soroka, Devin
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Cole, Emily
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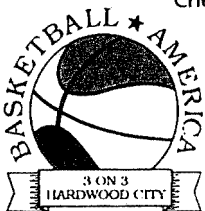
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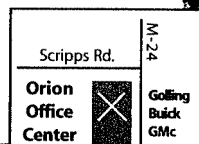
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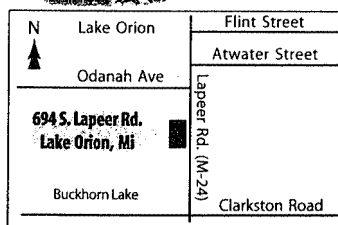
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Clarkston Wolves on the prowl for second state title

Last fall the gridiron heroes put in hard work and outstanding effort and as a result, they made Wolves history by winning their first MHSAA Division I Football State Championship.

Fans can expect the same this year, said Kurt Richardson, long-time head coach.

"They are going to make every effort they can to repeat last year's success," added Richardson, who is going into his 28th season as head coach.

With the championship comes excitement for the team and community for the new season.

"There are still big expectations and these kids play an exciting game of football," he said. "They play hard. They play good teams. It will be good football."

Right now the team's main focus is on Macomb Dakota - their season opener, Aug. 28.

"It is a tough one," Richardson noted.

The Wolves have key returners coming

back to help lead the team to success including seniors: quarterback DJ Zezula; running back Centrus Williams, Jr.; linebackers Cole Chewins, Lance Linton, Adam Matich, Chris Trimmer, Bryce Witherspoon; wide receiver and defensivebacks Merrick Canada, Austin Egler, Shane Holler; receiver and defensiveback Joe Popp; linebacker and tightend Jack McKillop and Will Scarlett; and defensiveback Matt Boczar.

"Shane and Joe are going to be huge for us," Richardson added. "Merrick and Jack will be key forces on defense. Bryce will be a big player for us, too. Austin - we are counting on big time.

"Centrus has some big shoes to fill," he said. "He is a different style runner. He is going to be huge for us."

New to the team are senior linebackers Dayne Rogers and Alex Snyder; juniors - running back Nolan Eriksen; linebacker and wide receivers Mitch Heaton and Hayden Schoenherr, kicker and wide receiver Alex

Kessman; and linebacker Nathan Troutvine.

Richardson added Rogers will be another key on defense and Schoenherr played well during the intrasquad scrimmage Football for a Cure.

"Nolan is going to be a good player for us," he continued. "Alex is going to fill in for Shane Hynes (who graduated in June). He is going to be good."

Right now the team's strengths lie within their offensive and defensive lines and their passing game.

"Our offensive line is pretty good," Richardson explained.

"Our passing game is real good. Defensively, our front guys are pretty good."

The goals for the season include winning their opener. Then, take it one week at a time as they aim to make playoffs and win another OAA Red league championship.

The league is always tough and this season the Wolves will see new league foes as Oxford and Bloomfield Hills join the OAA Red Division.

"Oxford will be very tough," Richardson said. "They play us tough. They are very physical. They are good and their quarterback is outstanding."

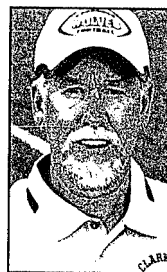
Bloomfield Hills moves up for their sophomore season after being in the OAA White.

Richardson added another key piece to this year is all of the Wolves' coaching staff is back.

"It is important we returned our entire coaching staff," he said. "We have been together for a long time and it makes a huge difference."

See the boys in action during their home games at Clarkston High School stadium, 6093 Flemings Lake Road with kick off set at 7 p.m.

-CNews Sports Writer Wendi Reardon

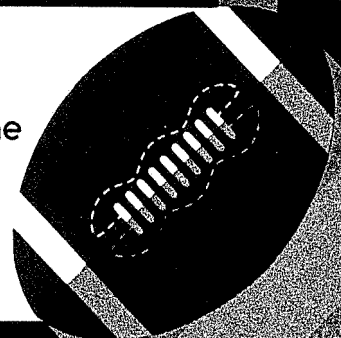


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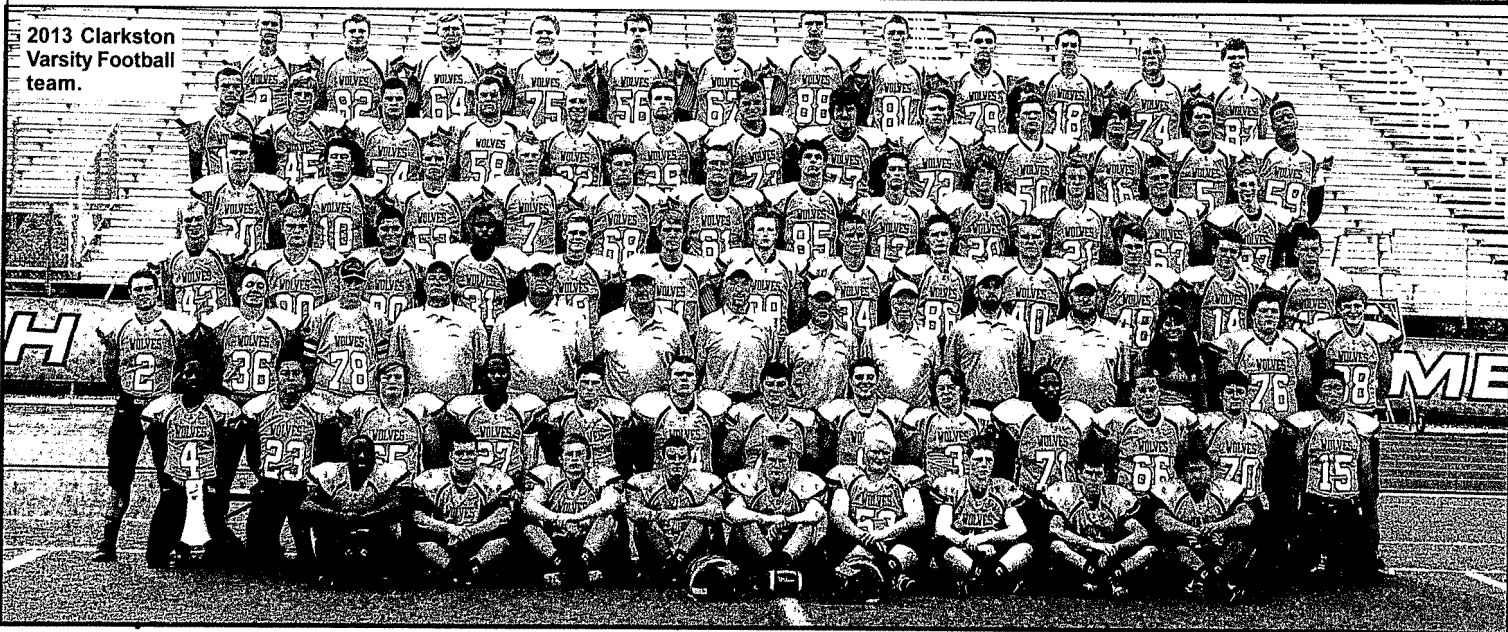
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The 2014 Clarkston Varsity Cheer team is Samantha Bitzer, Kathleen Brewer, Brianna Callahan, Bailey Carter, Gabrielle Carusello, Kaitlyn Clements, Kayleigh Goodrich, Mikaela Hamer, Kathleen Hubresen, Jordan Joseph, Sierra Koleber, Kailey Levely, Kaitlyn Milano, Alexandra Ottman, Tyler Pearce, Alyse Richards, Rachel Rooks, Lauren Scott, Elizabeth Sheill, Julia Smail, Halley Sosnowski, Sydney Steger, Shelby Weiler and Hannah Wilson. They are coached by Beth Ann Markey.
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Clarkston Football Roster

#	Name	Grade	Ht.	Wgt.	Position	#	Name	Grade	Ht.	Wgt.	Position	#	Name	Grade	Ht.	Wgt.	Position
1	JACOB FISHER	Junior	5'7"	155	DB/SLOT	33	ZACH SEGEL	Junior	5'6"	175	DB/WR	68	DENNY PETERSEN	Senior	6'1"	225	OL
2	BRANDON ADDIS	Senior	5'8"	180	DB/RB	34	KAS WAITKUS	Senior	5'10"	185	LB	70	NOAH REEVE	Senior	5'8"	210	DL
3	JONAH KOPONEN	Junior	5'9"	180	DB/SLOT	35	GRANT VANDORN	Junior	5'7"	120	DB/WR	71	KYLE MORGAN	Junior	5'8"	212	OL
4	SHAQUIELLE BLEVINS	Junior	5'9"	140	DB/WR	36	NOLAN ERIKSEN	Junior	5'9"	188	RB	72	BLAKE TOWNSON	Senior	6'1"	275	OL
5	D.J. ZEZULA	Senior	6'0"	190	QB	37	ETHAN THOMPSON	Junior	5'8"	160	DB/RB	73	JAMES STOTTLEMYER	Junior	6'2"	225	OL
6	CENTRUS WILLIAMS JR.	Senior	5'7"	210	RB	38	KYLE MASTERS	Junior	5'10"	175	OLB/RB	74	MICK PACKARD	Senior	6'2"	270	OL
7	MERRICK CANADA	Senior	6'1"	190	WR/DB	40	BRANDON DOUGLAS	Senior	5'10"	220	LB	75	ALEX SNYDER	Senior	6'3"	305	OL
8	DAYNE ROGERS	Senior	5'9"	190	LB	42	JOSH COHOON	Senior	5'7"	190	DL	76	ANDY HUTTON	Senior	5'8"	260	OL/DL
9	ALEX KESSMAN	Junior	6'2"	160	K/WR	43	JOE POPP	Senior	5'10"	175	DB/SLOT	77	BRANDON MOONEN	Junior	6'0"	210	OL/DL
10	HAYDEN SCHOENHERR	Junior	6'1"	195	LB/WR	44	CARTER LINTON	Junior	5'9"	210	LB/FB	79	JOSH PIERCE	Senior	6'5"	230	OL/DL
13	SEAN CHRISTIE	Senior	6'0"	165	DB/WR	45	TYLER BOTTORFF	Junior	6'0"	160	WR/DB	80	NICK SMITH	Senior	5'9"	160	LB/WR
14	MITCH HELSEL	Senior	5'9"	150	DB	46	SCOTT SHELTON	Senior	5'7"	185	LB	81	MITCH HEATON	Junior	6'5"	190	OLB/WR
15	JOHN CHOI	Junior	5'8"	170	QB	48	LIAM BEE	Senior	5'8"	185	LB	82	TRISTEN LEWIS	Senior	6'2"	240	OLB
16	JACK SELKE	Senior	6'0"	185	DB/TE	49	CODY GARDNER	Junior	5'9"	179	LB/RB	83	SEAN LUCAS	Junior	5'10"	140	WR
17	JORDAN OLIVERIO	Senior	6'1"	170	DB/WR	50	CHRIS TRIMMER	Senior	6'1"	260	OL/DL	84	DREW PRASIL	Junior	6'1"	155	WR/DB
18	AUSTIN EGLER	Senior	6'3"	200	DB/WR	51	ROSS MANSSUR	Senior	5'10"	190	OLB	85	EVAN HOBEN	Junior	6'0"	170	OL
19	ANTHONY REINER	Junior	5'10"	160	QB	52	ALEXIE GRUENBERG	Senior	6'0"	230	DL/DL	86	HARLEY SUSALLA III	Junior	5'11"	138	WR/DB
20	MATT BO CZAR	Senior	6'0"	170	DB	53	PRESTON MILLS	Junior	5'8"	240	OL/DL	87	BOBBY DIXON	Junior	6'2"	195	TE/OLB
21	SHANE HOLLER	Senior	6'0"	180	WR/DB	54	NATHAN TROUTVINE	Junior	6'1"	235	OL/DL	88	COLE CHEWINS	Senior	6'7"	235	TE/OLB
22	JACK COOPER	Junior	5'7"	150	DB/RB	57	SAM BULLEN	Junior	6'4"	230	OL	89	JEFF YLVIKAKER	Senior	6'0"	190	OLB
23	MARCO ROŠARIO	Junior	5'8"	160	DB/RB	58	ADAM MATICH	Senior	6'0"	260	OL/DL	90	CLEVELAND TALBOT	Junior	5'11"	180	LB/DL
24	TOMMY GOSLEY	Junior	5'7"	175	LB	59	CHAD ROBINSON	Junior	6'1"	215	OLB						
27	MARWIN CHAMBERS	Junior	5'10"	162	DB/SLOT	61	LANCE LINTON	Senior	6'1"	245	OL						
28	RYAN STAWARA	Junior	5'8"	150	DB/WR	63	CARTER GALE	Sop.	6'0"	240	OL						
29	JACK McKILLOP	Senior	6'1"	220	LB/TE	64	BRYCE WITHERSPOON	Senior	6'2"	265	DL/OL						
30	JACK MUHLECK	Junior	5'11"	175	DB	65	BRENDAN STOKES	Junior	5'8"	215	OL						
31	NICK STALWORTH	Sop.	5'10"	200	LB/RB	66	HAMPTON SWAYNE	Junior	5'9"	213	OL/DL						
32	WILL SCARLETT	Senior	6'1"	205	OLB/TE	67	TREVOR LAING	Senior	6'6"	245	DL						

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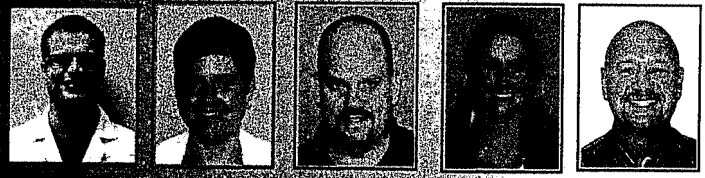
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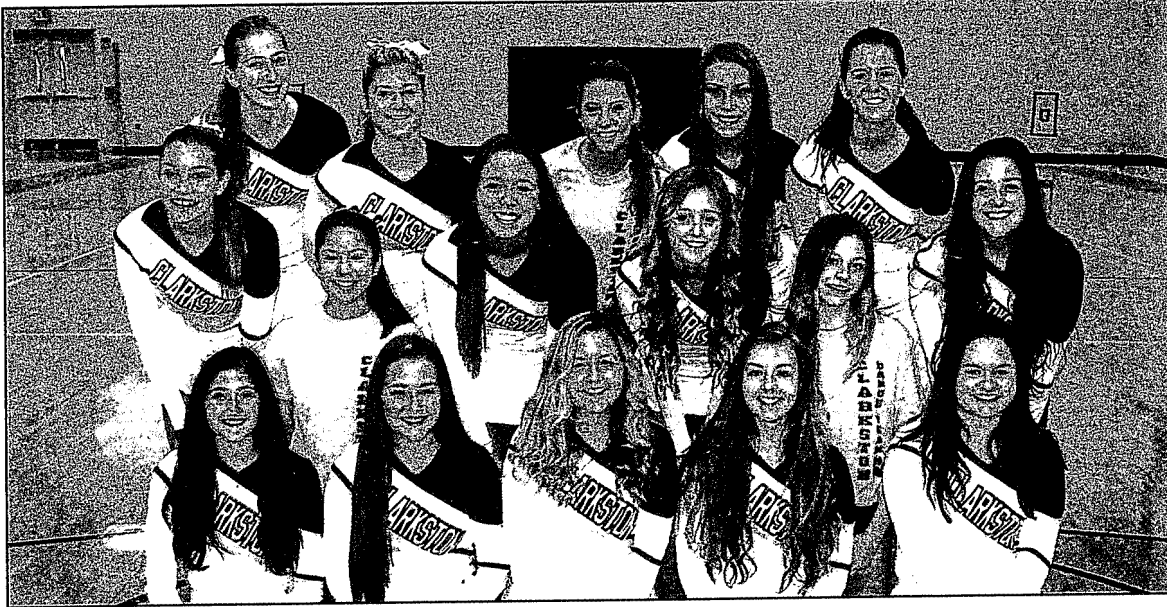
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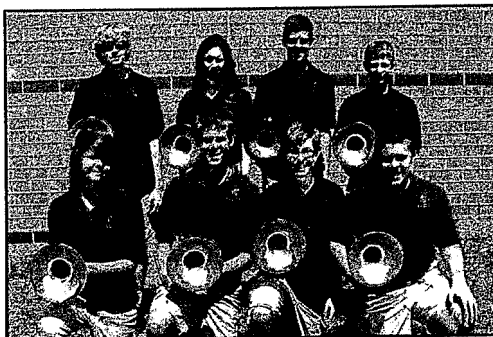


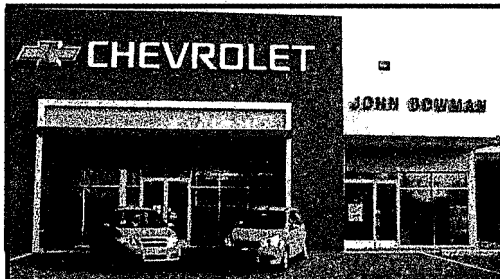
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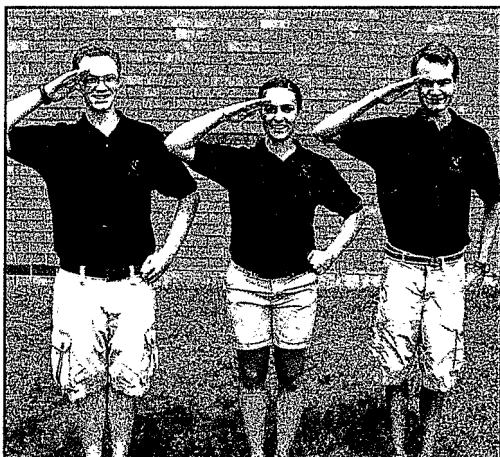


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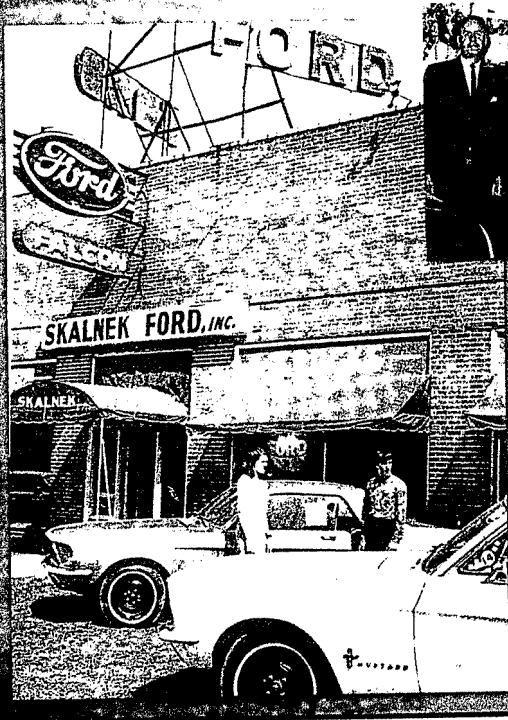


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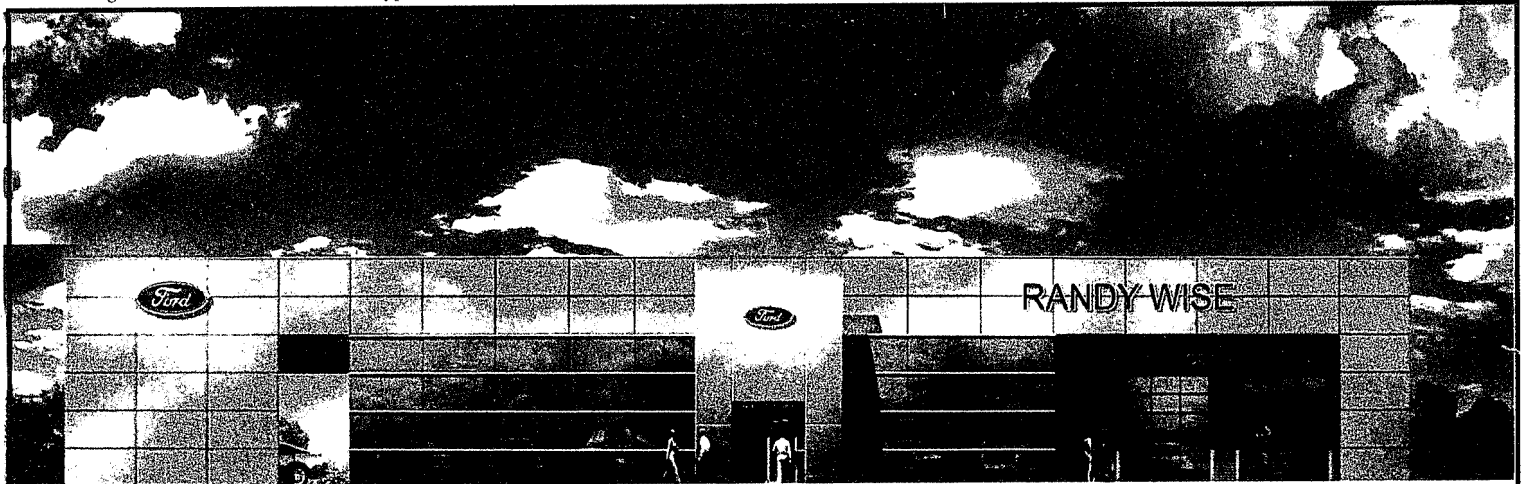
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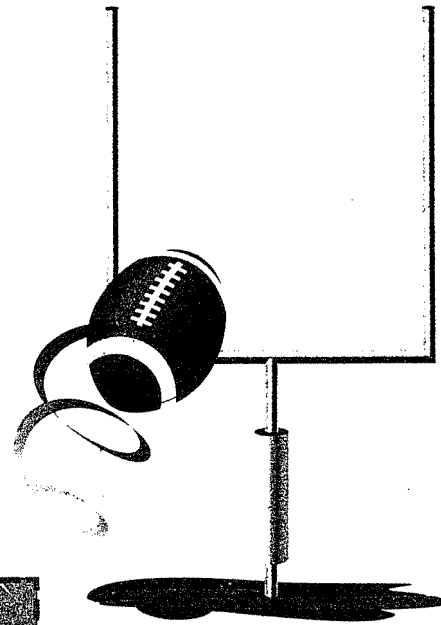
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2014 Blackhawks set for playoff run

By David Fleet
Editor

The 2014 Blackhawks will be tested early in the 2014 season with key games at old rival Goodrich and league foe Clio.

Tim Pizzala, head coach starting his eighth season with the Blackhawks, will build on a 4-5 season with six players on offense and six on defense returning this fall—the right mix for a playoff run.

“There’s no doubt—the Goodrich game is big for us,” said Pizzala. “It’s not only the first game of the year but we’re rivals. Clio is our third game of the season and our first



Pizzala

league game at home. These games will set the tone for the rest of the season. We had a key injury at the start of last season with the loss of Jake Sutherland. Many of our games last season we lost by less than a touchdown. With Lapeer East and West out of the league, now only two teams, Fenton and Linden, had better records than us last season. This group of Blackhawks are ready mentally and physically, too—the team has stepped up this past summer with speed, agility and intense weight room work since early June.”

The starting positions on the Blackhawks roster are going to be earned, added Pizzala.

“A week before the season starts, three players are fighting for the starting quarterback position,” he said. “It’s a really good thing, pushing each other to the next level.”

Seniors Nick Udocon and Dylan Sabo, along with Junior Dawson Nichols, will be vying run the offense.

“Our entire offensive line is returning this season,” he said. “Anchored by Shane Arnold at center, along with Brendan Poniatowski, Sean Russ and Josh Klanke—they played together as a line this past season.”

Similar to the quarterback position—three players are battling for the running backs, said Pizzala.

“John Allen, Cor’Sean Woodard and Brian Andrus all have speed and toughness to make in the backfield this season,” he said. “The running backs will get the ball 50 percent of the time with our receivers, Wyatt Wilson and Lucas Woch, both having great hands and are great with the ball

after the catch.”

The offense can expect plenty of action with a tough, experienced defensive, said Pizzala.

“The ‘D-Line,’ led by Sean Russ, Wyatt Wilson, Peter Nicaaj and Shane Arnold, brings more than 900 pounds of power up front—they’re a tough bunch,” he said. “Linebackers Aaron Shahin and Nate Everett, along with the speed of Jake Phelps and Lucas Woch, make it tough for the opposition to get past.”

Pizzala admits it’s tough for other teams to play at Brandon.

“Our fans and the community continue to support this team,” he said. “We have an outstanding facility to play in and a talented experienced team ready to make the playoffs this season.”

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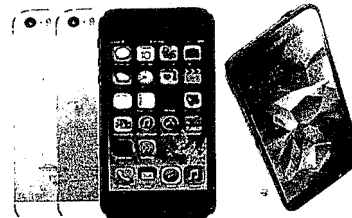
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Thurs	08/28/14	Goodrich High School	Away	7:00 PM
Friday	09/05/14	Bishop Foley High School	Home	7:00 PM
Friday	09/12/14	Clio High School	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	09/19/14	Fenton High School	Away	7:00 PM
Friday	09/26/14	Swartz Creek High School	Away	7:00 PM
Friday	10/03/14	Linden High School	Home	7:00 PM
Friday	10/10/14	Flushing High School	Away	7:00 PM
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Brandon Roster

No	Name	Off	Def	Yr	Ht	Wt	No	Name	Off	Def	Yr	Ht	Wt
2	Brian Hernandez	WR	DB	Jr.	5-7	160	28	David Szczepanski	WR,	DL	Jr.	5-9	150
5	Blake Crawford	K,	P	Sr.	5-10	150	32	Joe Williams	RB,	LB	Jr.	5-9	165
8	Dawson Nichols	QB,	DB	Jr.	5-11	165	40	Brian Andrus	RB,	LB	Jr.	5-7	180
9	Dylan Sabo	QB,	LB	Sr.	6-0	175	43	Jake Phelps	WR,	DB	Sr.	5-8	155
0	Chris King	WR,	DB	Jr.	5-7	140	44	Aaron Shahin	WR,	LB	Sr.	6-2	205
11	Amarae Kittles	WR,	DB	So.	5-9	145	50	Ben Devoogd	OL,	LB	Jr.	5-9	180
12	Dylan Bland	QB,	LB	Sr.	6-0	185	52	Josh Klanke	OL,	LB	Sr.	6-0	205
16	Cor'Sean Woodard	RB,	DB	Sr.	5-8	150	54	Austin Weaver	OL,	DL	Jr.	5-7	135
18	Wyatt Wilson	WR,	DL	Sr.	6-2	185	62	Wayde Wilson	OL,	DL	So.	6-2	250
19	Collin McMillan	RB,	LB	So.	5-10	205	66	Shane Arnold	OL,	DL	Sr.	5-11	210
20	Lucas Woch	WR,	DB,K	Sr.	5-9	155	70	Sean Russ	OL,	DL	Jr.	6-2	270
21	Fabian Gomez	WR,	DB	Jr.	5-10	150	72	Peter Nicaj	OL,	DL	Sr.	6-2	270
22	Jonathon Allen	RB,	LB	Sr.	5-7	160	75	Brendan Poniatowski	OL,	DL	Sr.	6-2	190
23	AJ Krause	WR,	DB	Jr.	5-10	160	78	Liam Sans	OL,	DL	Jr.	5-10	175
24	Caleb Carter	WR,	DB	Jr.	6-4	210	79	Andrew Hayduk	OL,	DL	Jr.	6-0	250
25	Nicholas Udocon	WR,	LB	Sr.	6-0	180	81	Kevin Bickett	WR,	DB	So.	5-9	150
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The Brandon Band Program has enjoyed a rich tradition of success both on and off the marching band field because of the tremendous support of the students, parents, teachers, and principals in the Brandon School District. Of all the bands at Brandon, the Marching Band is the most visible and offers a unique opportunity for students to grow not only as musicians, but as people as well. Students engage in personal discipline, respect, selflessness, commitment, and teamwork.



Pagel

The Marching Band season begins with Band Camp. This year's camp was August 3-8 at Brandon High School, with rehearsals from 9:00a.m. to 9:00 p.m. each day. At camp, the goal is to learn music and marching drill for the halftime show, while simultaneously improving musicianship. Individual section rehearsals, full ensemble music rehearsal, marching fundamentals, and drill rehearsals are balanced throughout the day to ensure the band's success. While band camp is hard work, the students also get to relax, have fun, and make lifelong friendships.

The 2014 Brandon Blackhawk Marching Band currently consists of 95 members.

The students are divided into multiple

sections including 59 Winds, 14 Percussionists, 19 Color Guard, 1 Twirler, and 2 Drum Majors. The band rehearses during the school day as well as on Tuesday nights from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The band's show this year is titled "Pirates!" The music, written by Randall Standridge, depicts 3 scenes in the life of a pirate: Setting Sail, The Mysteries of the Sea, and Battle for Gold. The bold and heroic music will be accompanied by a great visual program, including a boat that sails across the field and an action packed "battle" sequence.

This year's Drum Majors are Haley Pote and Lindsay Carie. They will lead the band in performance at 4 home football games, the Brandon Scholastic

Marching Band Invitational, the Chippewa Valley Invitational, the DeWitt Invitational, the Brandon Homecoming Parade, and the Ortonville Memorial Day Parade. The marching band's staff includes Michael Sudrovech, Andrea Woody, Kirsten Schaffert, John Murphy, Brittany Miller, Aletha Fuhrman, Miranda Lederhouse, and directors Matthew Pagel and Russell McMartin.

The band would like to thank the Brandon Band Boosters, all of the band parents, the community, and the Brandon Administration for their support! Their efforts in funding, fundraising, and volunteer support make success possible for the students in the band program. GO BAND!

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Brandon Band Roster

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Laura Campbell
Megan Crump
Lauren Donnellon
Kristina Hubble
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Jasmyne Mattia
Paige O'Neill
Nina Temple
Cheyenne Hawthorne
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Haley Pote
Lindsay Carie
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Tyler Solo
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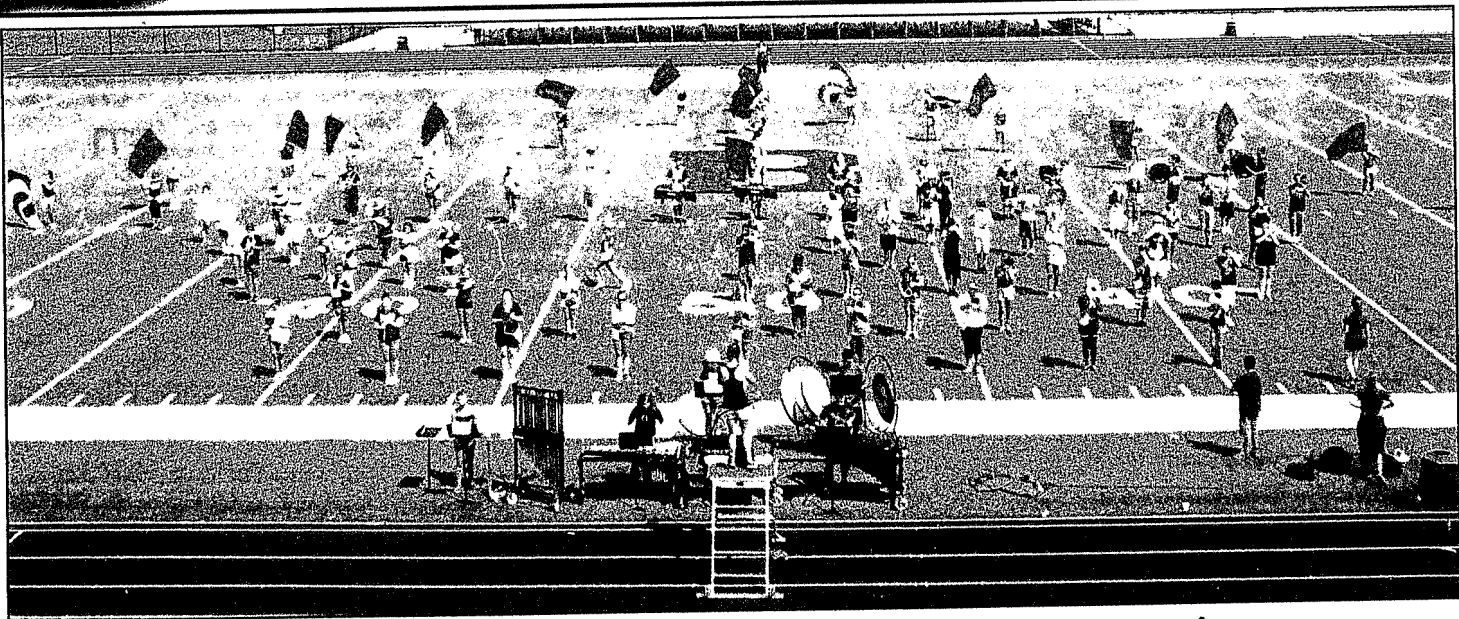
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