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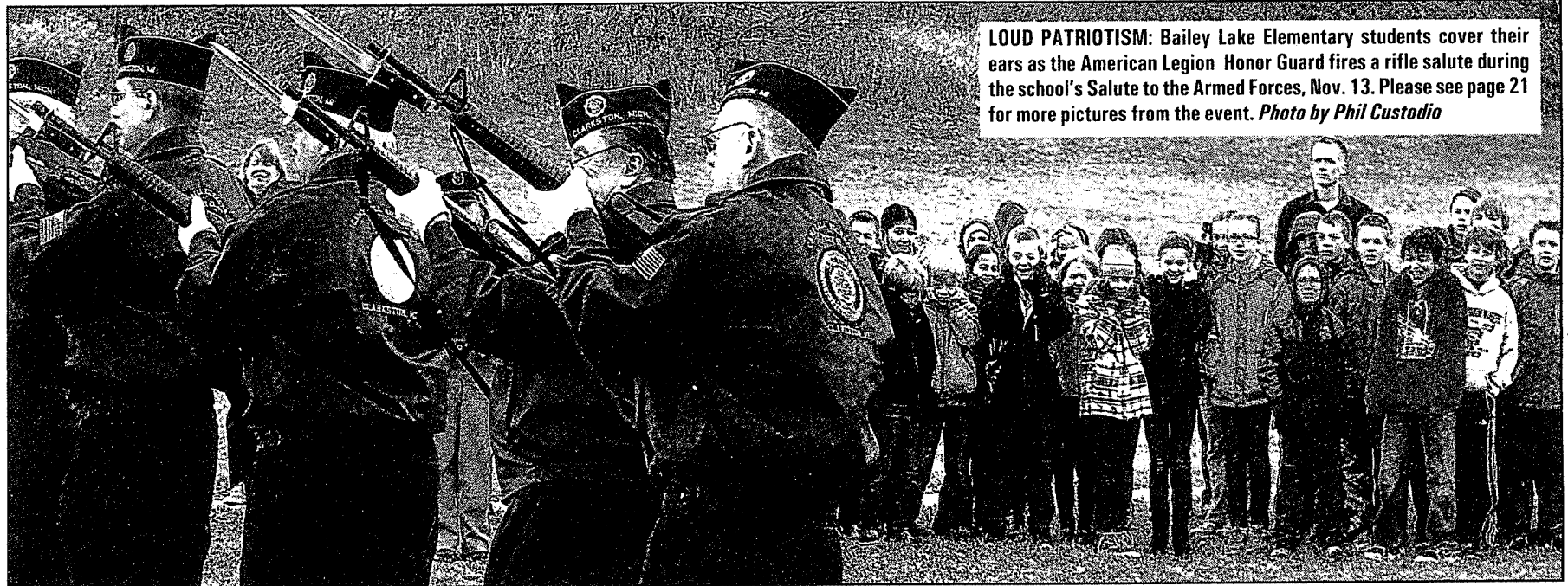
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**LOUD PATRIOTISM:** Bailey Lake Elementary students cover their ears as the American Legion Honor Guard fires a rifle salute during the school's Salute to the Armed Forces, Nov. 13. Please see page 21 for more pictures from the event. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

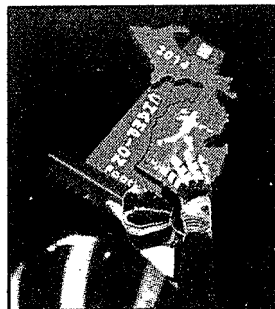
## Final four showdown

**BY WENDI REARDON**  
*Clarkston News Sports Writer*

A few gridiron heroes stepped in front of their teammates and shared their dance moves in their post-game tradition after claiming their second consecutive MHSAA Football Regional title.

This year they beat Walled Lake Central for the championship, 40-22, securing another trip to semifinals this Saturday.

"We knew they were going to be a good team," said junior running back Nolan Eriksen. "We worked hard defensively. We came in and defense got the job done.



Offense did the best we have done all year. Everyone played a great game."

To Clarkston's dismay, it only took the Vikings three plays before the opposing team took control of the scoreboard, 89 seconds into the game with seven points. But the Wolves were up to the challenge and didn't disappoint as they covered 55 yards in five plays to tie the score.

It came down to a 25-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback DJ Zezula to senior receiver Austin Egler and a PAT from senior Alex Kessman to put the Wolves on top.  
*Please see Brighton on page 11*

## Hitting the road for hospital project

**BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN**  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

A bill to authorize a special exemption to state Certificate Of Need requirements, which would allow construction of a McLaren hospital, was discharged from committee on Nov. 12 and sent to the state senate.

Meanwhile, Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle has been pounding the pavement gathering support for a new \$300 million hospital on Sashabaw Road.

Kittle attended a variety of meetings collecting resolutions supporting the facility, which if built, the Oakland County Economic Development Team projected would have an economical impact on the

county of \$600 to \$800 million.

He plans to take the resolutions and letters of support to Lansing and place them on the seat of every senator and representative.

"The professionals in the greater North Oakland Community responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the 100,000 residents would be positively affected by the approval of the McLaren Hospital in Independence Township," Kittle said.

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson also supports the hospital as part of a Medical Main Street plan, which was created to diversify Oakland County to include more medical services.

*Please see McLaren on page 4*

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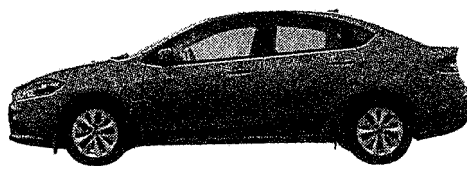
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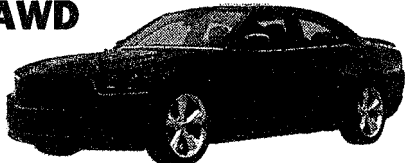
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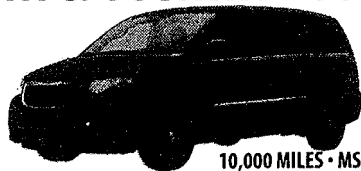
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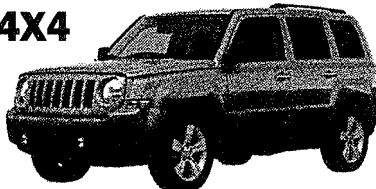
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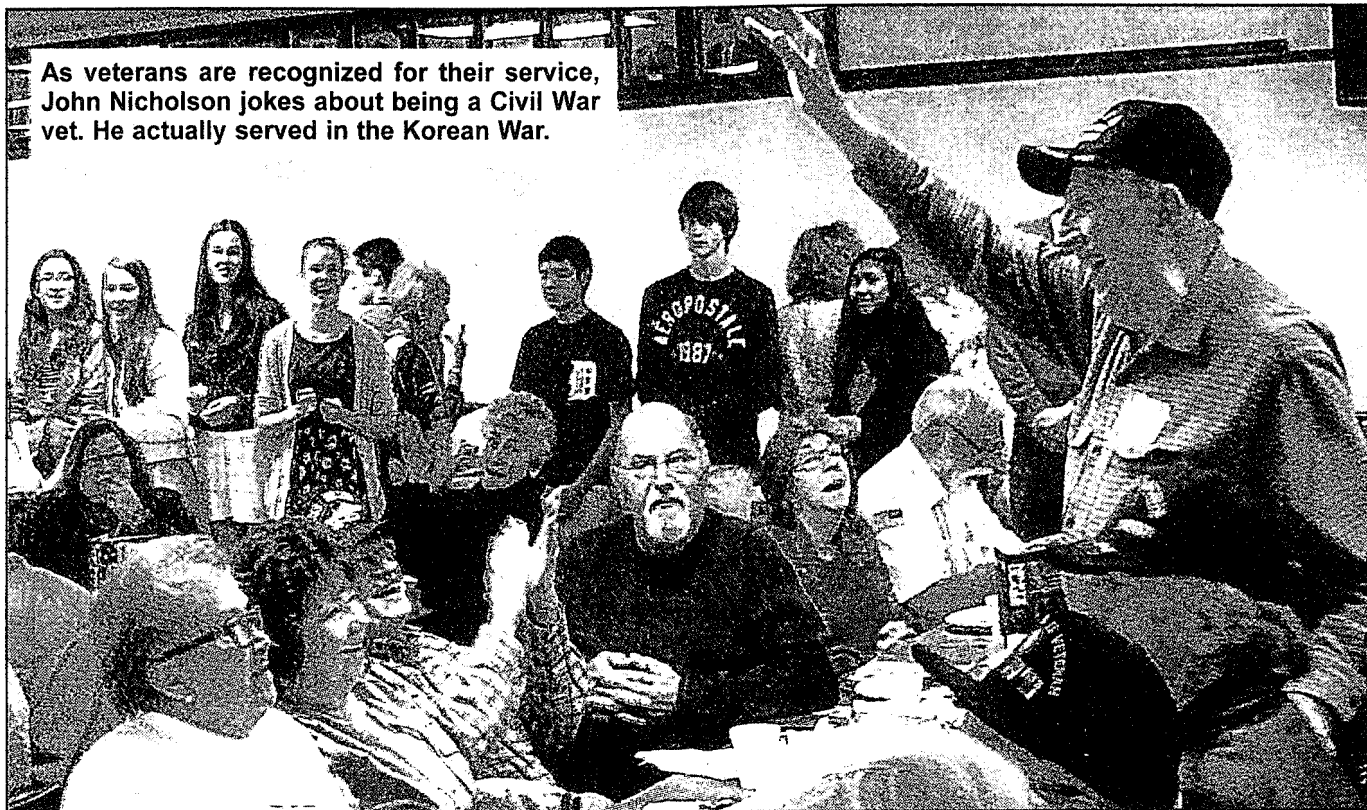
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As veterans are recognized for their service, John Nicholson jokes about being a Civil War vet. He actually served in the Korean War.

## Lunch for vets

More than 125 veterans and guests filled the American Legion Post 63 hall on M-15 for a Veterans Luncheon in honor of Veterans Day, Nov. 14.

Hosted by Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center with service by Clarkston Junior High ninth grade advanced history students, they enjoyed a lunch of pork tenderloin, roasted red potatoes, and vegetable medley.

Speaker Julie Nemeth of Habitat Clarkston provided an update of the non-profit group's home-building project for a veteran in Springfield Township.

Photos by Phil Custodio



American Legion Chief Pontiac Post 377 Honor Guard presents a rifle salute during Taps.



Clarkston Junior High students including Jillian Haas, at right, Emily Welanko, in middle, and Hannah Laing learned about history from veterans who helped create it, including Korean War veteran Ed Knappe, at left, Korean vet John Nicholson, and Steve Kennedy, Marine who fought in the South Pacific during World War II.

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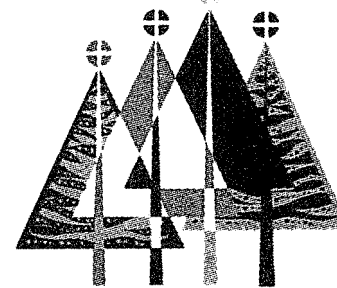
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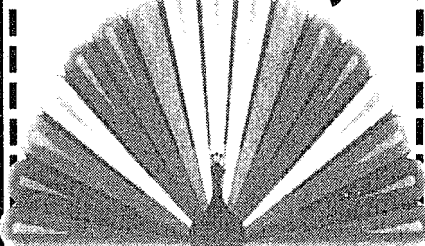
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Clarkston Holiday Lights Parade, hosted by Clarkston High School Team RUSH, is on its way to downtown Main Street, Dec. 13. File photo

## Holiday lights on Main

Clarkston High School Team RUSH members are working hard on their float for the Clarkston Holiday Lights Parade in downtown Clarkston.

The FIRST robotics team, Respect Unity Spirit Heart, will spend about two-and-a-half weeks designing and building the float for Santa and Mrs. Claus, complete with robot reindeer, said Sue Petrimoulx, Team RUSH mentor.

The team is hosting the annual parade in downtown Clarkston on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 6 p.m. They expect more than 40 floats created by community organizations, school groups, churches and local clubs.

The floats are one of a kind, beautiful creations made each year and decorated with colorful Christmas lights for the nighttime trek through downtown Clarkston, Petrimoulx said.

"Lots of twinkling lights in motion, music, candy, children just love it," she added. "The parade promises to be a glittering event not to be missed during the holiday season."

This year's theme is "Holiday RUSH in Motion!" Registration to participate in the parade is free. Judges will select float winners in five categories: Most Creative, Best Use of Theme, Best Holiday Spirit, Best of Use of Music, Best Overall Parade Entry, and Clarkston School Pride.

"It's a really wonderful, seasonal event to bring the Clarkston community together," Petrimoulx said. "It gets everybody in the spirit of the holidays."

The parade begins at Renaissance High School, heading west on Church Street, north on Main Street, then west on Miller Road, ending at St. Daniel's Catholic Church.

"Be sure to dress warm and join Team RUSH Robotics for a truly special hometown Clarkston tradition at the Annual Clarkston Holiday Lights Parade," she said.

Parking is available at Clarkston Elementary, Clarkston Junior High School, downtown Clarkston lots, and Depot Park.

For more information, visit [www.teamrush27.net/parade](http://www.teamrush27.net/parade). ~PC

## State considers CON exemption

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Supporters include Oakland County Association of Township Supervisors, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Clarkston Community Schools, Independence Township Senior Advisory Board, Waterford Fire Department and Police, North Oakland County Mutual Aid Fire Association and City of the Village of Clarkston.

During its construction over a three-year period, over 700 jobs would be created to build the medical campus off Sashabaw and Bow Pointe. After completion, the facility would create about 1,300 high paying jobs in the medical field with an annual payroll of about \$68 million.

Kittle also cited studies and reports contradicting opposition to the hospital.

Throughout the fight to build the hospital, his position and support for McLaren has not changed, he said.

"In my opinion, our community of 36,000 people with a neighboring community of more than 100,000 residents needs a level 2 trauma center," Kittle said.

It would also be good for the entire area, he added.

About 190 acres of underdeveloped property along the Sashabaw Road Corridor would also grow exponentially, which would create another estimated 3,000 jobs.

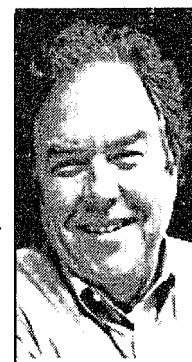
In 2006, the Independence Township Planning Commission approved plans by Beaumont for a 200-bed hospital in the township, but those plans were scrapped in stressed economic times.

Kittle said it's ironic Beaumont now leads the oppositional fight against McLaren in Clarkston.

And, this is America after all, Kittle concluded.

"An unfettered economy is what made the United States able to acquire the greatest amount of wealth and best quality of life in the shortest period of time in the history of the world. Why should there be artificial barriers here in Michigan," Kittle asked.

Michigan Senate Bill 1073 has been placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration in Lansing.



Kittle



## Sidewalk talks continue as snow falls

BY ANDREAM M. BEAUDOIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With winter weather already pelting the area, Clarkston City Council is still debating how sidewalks should be cleared of snow.

Newly elected Councilman Richard Bisio, who was sworn in at the Nov. 10 meeting, said the city should enforce an existing ordinance requiring residents to shovel their sidewalks.

Councilmen Mike Sabol and David Marsh also said the city should enforce the ordinance.

The ordinance already on the books requires sidewalks be cleared within 24 hours or city workers would clear them. Property owners would then face a civil infraction of \$100 penalty for the first offense and \$500 for each additional offense.

In August, city council voted not to enforce the snow removal ordinance after a public hearing to create a Special Assessment District and tax residents for snow removal.

Several residents were against being taxed for the service.

City Manager Carol Eberhardt proposed DPW workers remove snow from city sidewalks at a cost of \$65 per resident, but the estimate was just a ball park figure and the true cost was undetermined.

Estimates for the work range from about \$6,500 to over \$22,000, depending on work involved, overtime hours, other labor costs, and required equipment. On Facebook, one resident voiced concern over sidewalks at a Waldon Road bus stop.

"Last winter there was no spot for kids to stand because of the snow piled up and the sidewalk were not clear. The kids had to stand in the street. With slippery conditions, I think it is only a matter of time before there may be a tragedy," said Chuck Kelterborn.

Sidewalk talks, driven by liability issues especially along Main Street and Miller, Waldon, and Clarkston roads, also included shoveling, but not salting, city sidewalks, and only clearing sidewalks when two inches or more accumulates.

The issue was postponed at the Oct. 27 meeting until the Nov. 10 meeting, when it was again postponed.

Bisio said remaining questions include how much enforcing the ordinance would truly cost the city.

Another discussion, and a possible vote on the issue, is expected at the next city council meeting, Nov. 24.



**FIRST SNOW:** Winter's here in Clarkston, as the first snow of the season fell this past week. Only 116 days until spring! Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

## New buses considered

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston schools is considering a \$4 million bus purchase this year.

Kevin Bickerstaff, Transportation Department head, presented a plan to Clarkston Board of Education, Nov. 10.

He recommends the purchase of 53 buses, including 40 77-passenger buses, eight 30-passenger buses, and five 18-passenger buses each with three wheelchair stations, from Hoekstra Transportation for \$4,121,264.

Bids were also received from Capital City Bus Sales and Holland Bus Sales.

Seat belts for the 77-passenger buses, which are not required but recommended by Bickerstaff, would cost \$340,000.

Administrative fees for use of the Michigan School Business Officials bid would cost \$1,250.

Over the past 17 years, the district has been replacing and upgrading its bus fleet every three years, Bickerstaff said.

Three years ago, the district bought 53 buses from Hoekstra Transportation for \$4,097,061. The buses would be sold back to Hoekstra for about \$2.5 million.

"As the fleet gets older, you spend money on parts – it's virtually the same money," he said. "Some districts buy older buses from other districts and scavenge parts to keep them running. To me, education dollars can be spent better than putting good money into older buses."

Options also include adding seven more buses for \$400,000 to eliminate shuttle runs, as well as GPS, cameras, student trackers, and other technology.

"There are some fantastic things now," Bickerstaff said.

At the request of board Secretary Craig Hamilton, Bickerstaff will provide a cost comparison between three-year buyback and long-term purchase. The school board will consider the purchase at a future meeting.

## Questions for city audit

BY ANDREAM M. BEAUDOIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Questions continue regarding city spending practices in advance of this year's audit, which is expected to be presented to City Council later this month or in early December.

At the Oct. 27 council meeting during public comment, resident Lori Mahler expressed concerns.

Mahler said she read "All is not right in the city, so sayeth the mayor" in the Sept. 24 edition of *The Clarkston News*, and also found an article in February 2013 about auditors recommending more oversight of the way the city spends money.

Councilman Tom Hunter, serving as mayor pro-term, said funds spent without being budgeted first is "not proper" and the city is correcting the problem.

The past September, Mayor Joe Luginiski said the city was informed by the city auditor, the way funds were spent before they were budgeted was incorrect.

Recent examples include approving a street paving and bridge project before budgeting for it. Luginiski insisted the mistakes were not intentional.

In 2012, an audit conducted by auditing firm PSLZ LLP, CPA, noted similar issues.

Auditors called for more oversight, citing Public Act 2 of 1968, which states, "a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated in budget resolutions of the governing body."

Recently elected councilman Richard Bisio said the way council spent money before being budgeted in 2012 was not only poor financial management, but did not meet state budgeting laws.

In September, City Manager Carol Eberhardt said city staff will work harder to ensure the accounting of various city business are done before meetings.

On Oct. 27, however, she said the city never officially spends "one dime" without the money first being budgeted correctly.

## Briefly

### Council, mayor sworn in

Newly elected Clarkston City Council members and mayor were sworn in, Nov. 10.

Richard Bisio, who had served on the council previously from 2010-2012, won a fresh seat on the council on Election Day. Voters re-elected incumbents Michael Sabol and Sharron Catallo. Mayor Joe Luginiski ran unopposed.

Peg Roth, who ran unsuccessfully for re-election to the city council, was honored by the city for her eight years of service on the council.

### Donations for Lighthouse

Lighthouse of Oakland County is accepting donations of all kinds to help make sure families don't go hungry this holiday season.

Michele Robinson, spokesperson for Lighthouse, said cash donations help tremendously by allowing staff to purchase essential basket items like turkey and all the trimmings for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

This year, Lighthouse will purchase 200 turkeys for low-income families and senior citizens. Churches, community groups and area schools have worked hard collecting and donating food to help their neighbors, Robinson said.

On Nov. 24, Lighthouse staff and volunteers will be at Clarkston Community Church to bag and give away holiday baskets to those in need. Volunteers are needed to help pack the bags.

To volunteer to help create or hand out Thanksgiving packages, call 248-620-6116.

### Holiday help

Bright Side Dental of Clarkston is collecting monetary donations, canned goods, and non-perishable food items for Gleaners Community Food Bank through Nov. 24. Call 1-800-PAINLESS about its "Give a Hand for the Holidays" Food Drive.

Also, Great Lakes Barrier Free Remodeling of Springfield Township is accepting nominations of a local wounded veteran in need of a free wheelchair ramp for Christmas.

They are looking to choose a recipient by Nov. 26 at the latest. Email entries to [juliebise@greatlakesrestore.com](mailto:juliebise@greatlakesrestore.com). For more information, call 800-354-7545.

## Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

### Backroads run fun

Independence Oaks County Park up on Sashabaw Road has some seriously scenic trails and board walks. Next time I'm there, I hope to be able to slow down and take in the sights.

No time for that last Sunday. I was there running as fast as I could with hundreds of others as part of the Clarkston State Bank Back Roads Half Marathon.

Quite a few other folks were out there with us as we pounded down those boardwalks amidst the headwaters of the Clinton River.

They were walking – strolling, actually – arm in arm, accompanied by their dogs, enjoying the briskly cold morning and the peaceful park atmosphere. Some of them didn't seem to know why we were there.

I envied them.

But I was happy with my time. I finished in 1:49:25, an 8.22/mile pace. Last year's was 2:12:55.

I'll try and include the park in next year's training, so the steep hills don't catch me off guard the way they did this year. Those things are not kind to leg muscles worn out from a dozen miles of running.

I won't be able to match the route exactly, though. Looking at the race-course map and even after having run it, I still wouldn't know where to turn.

River Loop, Spring Lake Loop, Lakeshore Loop, twice around the lake, in and out of park gates. I'd still be out there trying to finish if not for all the wonderful volunteers waving their arms, telling me where to go.

For now, though, it's time to consider how to keep up my running despite the snow. I'm still hoping Clarkston City Council works something out to shovel sidewalks when snow gets deep.

Or I could just join a gym.

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My Movember mustache is almost fully grown. The cancer-awareness, no-shave effort gave me an excuse to grow it, an effort that takes a couple weeks for me. And its for a good cause, and all that.

I might keep it even when Movember is done.



## Superintendent proud of school audit

Dear Editor,

On Oct. 27, Clarkston Board of Education received the annual audit from our auditing firm, Hungerford and Nichols, as required by state law. CCS received the highest opinion an auditor can give, including compliance with federal programs, with no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. The district increased its fund balance by over \$2 million. The general fund now represents 7.15% of the district's 2014/15 budgeted expenditures, which is an increase from the 4.39% on hand at June 30, 2013.

The community should take great pride in knowing CCS is one of the few school districts in the state to add to its fund balance this year. This is quite an accomplishment, given the very challenging economic times experienced in our state and country.

Through our excellent financial work, including bringing in substantial revenues from shared services programs and reducing

expenditures, we've now been able to give increases in pay to our employees, maintain programs, reduce class sizes, and updated infrastructure on a limited basis. In the future, via our strategic plan, we expect to continue to enhance learning opportunities for our students, to update technology, and to improve our facilities.

Congratulations to our staff, administration, and board of education on these accomplishments.

With the election season behind us, the district looks forward to continuing to move toward its goals, including academically, fiscally, in technology and operations, and in communications and human resources. We all care deeply about this community's children, and our collaborative efforts cause positive outcomes for kids.

*Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock  
Clarkston Community Schools*

## A call for fact checking Jottings

Dear Editor,

I often receive chain e-mails with inaccurate information but I consider the source and discard them.

The statements Mr. Sherman makes, in his article about athiests, attributing certain facts to presidential candidate Obama and now President Obama have been shown to be false at a number of sites. It only took me two minutes to find the following three:

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- [www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/01/presidential-proclamation-national-day-prayer-2014](http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/01/presidential-proclamation-national-day-prayer-2014).

nation, and a nation of nonbelievers";

I am surprised that his "jottings" aren't checked for accuracy. Some people still believe what they read in newspapers.

*Jim LeBlanc  
Springfield Township*

## Hats off to departments after I-75 accident

Dear Editor,

What started out as a typical 10 minute commute to work last Friday ended up in an hour and a half ordeal that made my heart skip a few beats.

You see, I was cruising the middle lane at 75 mph on I-75, when out of the blue, literally, a small to medium size light blue car came across my lane in front of me. I'm not sure if she hit me or I hit her; the next thing I remember is driving out of control directly towards the guard rail in the medium.

I watched almost in slow motion her car jump on top of the guard rail but fortunately rebounded back on my side landing in the ditch with the airbags blown.

I sat there making sure this was not a dream and was amazed at the amount of people who stopped right away to check to see if we were alright.

Kristina, a nurse from McClaren was one of the first, along with a young man who works at The Town Center Auto Wash. (This day and age most people would either gawk or make obscene gestures because of the incident) but today the Good Lord sent several angels down to watch over us. I was most grateful neither

one of us were hurt.

The paramedics showed up lickity split probably because it looked far worse than it was. Physically I was fine and turned down the ride to the hospital. However my adrenaline was fueled with what I had just been through.

I was instructed to stay in my Jeep Grand Cherokee so I called my wife Tami to let her know what had just happened.

She answered the phone in the usual "Hello" which I thought was funny because 30 years ago when I was in a similar accident on 75 and called her.

The first thing out of her mouth was "Are you alright?" not knowing why I was even calling. I guess her intuition has gotten a little rusty.

The ambulance drove me to work, everything is fine. Turns out the other driver fell asleep at the wheel (and I'm the one with narcolepsy).

My hat goes off to the Oakland County Sheriff Department, Independence Township Fire Department especially Frankie Cruz and Matt Decker for their promptness and professionalism.

*Tom Lowrie  
Independence Township*

## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 1999

**"Semi-sweet"** The Clarkston Varsity Football team battled the Macomb Dakota Cougars through four overtime periods in the MHSAA Region 3 Finals for a 57-56 victory. It was their first regional title school history.

**"Clarkston Cinema closed"** The fact "Stigmata" was still on the marquee at Clarkston Cinema, the 266-theater, located at 6808 Dixie Highway, was a sign the theater was closed. According to a legal notice the property, which includes the building and one-acre parcel, was in foreclosure because owner Larry Sefa was in default of his mortgage.

**"Don't forget to 'Buckle Up!'"** Clarkston Elementary students were introduced to a unique member of the Michigan Police. They met Trooper Buckle Bear, a remote-controlled "officer" of the law visited to talk to the kids about being a safe car passenger and taught them a rhyme on how to remember to buckle up correctly.

### 25 years ago - 1989

**"Residents demand action from board"** About 75 angry parents crowded into the Clarkston School board room, demanding the board set a date for a millage election. During the three-hour discussion many parents voiced their disapproval with the condition of the schools.

**"Berlin Wall crashes close to home"** When the Berlin Wall came down, Clarkston Junior High School students in Barb Glover's classes learned through shared family stories and taped television news broadcasts. They drew posters commemorating the historic event.

**"Sisters combine forces on craft business, child care"** Sisters Barb Townsend and Judy Glass combined their talents for business. Townsend painted on cloth and Glass was the business manager for Hand Painted Sweatshirts by Barb.

### 50 years ago - 1964

**"Board of Education studies for future building needs"** Since 1951 Clarkston Schools experienced a continued growth. The board of education was studying the problem of increased class sizes caused by the growth.

**"Local news"** Al Robinson and his son, Allen, spent a few days in Iron Mountain area for deer hunting. Al came home with a spike horn.

# Farmer advice: Be nice to one another

I was born and raised a country boy on a farm without tractors, plows or cultivators, but with a mother who learned the ways of a farmer's wife.

Which means her Albion College degree didn't help much in the kitchen. Of course, my dad's University of Chicago degree didn't help him until several years after he got lots of training in the Durand railroad yard.

I think Mother's main kitchen-learning-cooking experience was with navy beans.

Mom could bake 'em, fry 'em, boil 'em, mash 'em for sandwiches and use 'em as filler in meatloaf.

Beans were our main source of energy and gas.

But, oh how quickly they were replaced by such non-foods as asparagus, rutabagas and parsley. No coun-

try boy ever liked that stuff. But I still yearn for bean soup. I haven't shopped for food, or anything else, in years. I have foregone ambition and substituted grocery lists.

Wonder if I can energize myself, and make some bean soup, with some salt pork?

I haven't driven my Ford sedan since I took myself off the road three years ago.

But apparently Ford has turned solicitations about leasing, warranting and repair over to unemployed immigrants seeking to learn our language by calling me.

## Jim's Jottings



a column by Jim Sherman

Maybe Ford, et al, have made a political deal with congress like; "I'll put 'em on a payroll if you reduce my taxes."

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• Why won't Obama allow the building of the Keystone pipeline? Has he turned his back on Canada, too?

• Why does Bayer suggest a low dose of Bayer if you're having a heart attack? Seems to me in that case you should take a heavy dose.

• Here's a couple words to repeat a few times if you can't get to sleep: Tranquility and Serenity

• Here's a word all voters should keep in mind as they make selections: Competence.

• Why is a company urging me to buy insulated toilet tanks?

• If you can get arrested for hunting

or fishing without a license, but not for being in this country illegally - you might live in a country founded by geniuses but run by idiots.

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This is right out of the Environmental Protection Agency in Ann Arbor (they're the people who put the estimated mileage on window stickers).

This government group has ordered BMW, and other car makers, to reduce their mileage.

So, just like that you ain't gotten' the mileage promised when you bought that car. I think that means those car buyers were screwed, excuse me, taken advantage of (it happens!)

I think I'll call Ralph Nader or Al Sharpton to help me get the correct mileage on my sticker.

Have another great day!

## Movember leads vet to help pet cancer group

*Rectum. Damn near ruined 'im.*

The other week I wrote about how -- ever the sheep, follower-type -- I joined the grow-your-moustache-Movember bandwagon.

Which, is in effect, an effort to get men to go see their butt doctors and get their prostates checked out (amongst other things).

Soon after said column was published, Clarkston-area veterinarian and founder of Advanced Pet Care of Oakland, Bryan Cornwall reached out.

"Hey, we at the office are taking part in Movember, too," said he. "But, we're going a step further."

No, the gals in the office are not growing mustaches in solidarity with their male counterparts.

For everybody who donates to Bryan's American Cancer Society No-Shave November fund raiser, he will match with a donation to the Animal Cancer Foundation, to further their research. If you didn't know, like I didn't, November is also National Pet Cancer Awareness Month.

Cancer is one of the leading causes of death in both dogs and cats.

"This year, nearly 1.5 million people will be diagnosed with cancer," Bryan said, adding, "In addition, the Animal Cancer Foundation says about 12 million dogs and cats are diagnosed with cancer annually. The Animal Cancer Foundation is committed to funding and developing research focused on the similarity of cancer in pets and people that will expedite therapeutic and preventive benefits for both."

## Don't Rush Me



A column by Don Rush

Advanced Pet Care of Oakland is located at 6378 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston, 48346. To donate to Bryan's fund-raising efforts please visit this website: [http://main.acsevents.org/goto/Dr\\_BCornwall](http://main.acsevents.org/goto/Dr_BCornwall)

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Speaking of businesses reaching out to help others, I got this e-mail from another Clarkston area business:

"The Birdfeeder, Clarkston Flower Shoppe, and Bonnie & Clyde's most influential event will take place on Sunday, December 21, from 12-4 p.m., *Meet Santa Claus & His Live Reindeer* to benefit Toys for Tots. The event attracts over 1,200 people and this year, with the support of Mateen Cleaves' *1 Goal 1 Passion Organization* and Paws from the Detroit Tigers, we expect it to be even more successful. Our goal is to bring in close to 1,500 people and impact over 500 families who are less fortunate.

"... We are asking for sponsorships from local businesses and individuals whose vision aligns with our own, *to truly make a difference in our community*. By giving to this annual event, you will support Toys for Tots and help us give less fortunate children in our community a Christmas morning they'll always remember! These toys deliver a message of hope that will assist these children in becoming responsible, productive, and patriotic citizens."

If you didn't know, Toys for Tots is an official activity of the U. S. Marine Corps and an official mission of the Marine Corps Reserve.

If you wanna' help out, contact them with a phone call 248-625-9007 or send them an e-mail to, [thebirdfeedermi@gmail.com](mailto:thebirdfeedermi@gmail.com)

Those three businesses are all at one location, 7150

North Main St, Clarkston 48346.

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You may remember a column I wrote a million years ago about *Poop* coffee. If you don't remember here's a recap:

Some people like to drink coffee made with coffee beans fermented in the stomachs of wild critters and pooped out.

They pay good money, like \$50 a pound for the stuff. And in my blasé attitude and cocky way, I wrote, though now a coffee snob, I will not drink any dark, steamy beverage that comes from the south end of anything. I don't care what it smells like.

Anyway, this column has nothing to do with poop coffee, and everything to do with your hero (me), now the coffee snob.

I used to be the guy who drank whatever was on sale at the local grocer. Then Kirk and Amy Walker opened ABeanToGo Coffee Shop, Internet Cafe and retail store a mile from my home in Goodrich. And, a snob I've been ever since.

Last week, Kirk expanded his business to downtown Lake Orion! If you wanna' be like Don (I love talking about myself in the third person), check out their brand new operation on the north side Flint Street.

If you're not a coffee snob yet, you soon will be. Kirk imports all his beans from around the globe and roasts them himself. Talk about fresh, favorable coffee.

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Comments?

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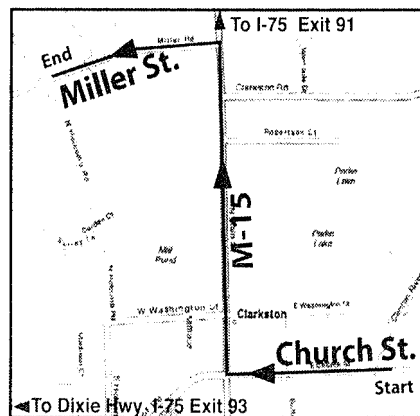
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From left, Bordine President Calvin Bordine presents the \$4,500 check to Assistance League President Cindy Cirar and President-Elect Barbara Donohoe. Photo provided

## Holiday donation from Bordine's

Bordine's Nursery raised \$4,500 for Assistance League of Southeastern Michigan at its annual Bordine's Holiday Extravaganza in Rochester Hills.

Bordine's President Calvin Bordine presented the check to Assistance League's President Cindy Cirar and President-Elect

Barbara Donohoe on Nov. 6.

The donated funds will help support Assistance League's philanthropic programs providing clothing, food, educational support, and supplies for thousands of children and adults year-round.

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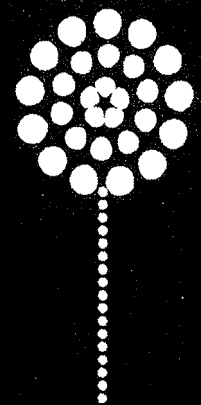
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## Thefts from vehicles

Someone broke into a pickup truck and took a hunting bow, fishing waders, fishing pole, and knives, Oct. 30.

An SUV owner left her vehicle in a parking lot in the 6000 block of Sashabaw Road around 3:30 p.m., Nov. 9. When she returned at 9 a.m., the rear window on the driver's side was shattered. Nothing was missing. The front driver's door window had two small impact fractures appearing to be caused by a window punch.

The driver's side door window of an SUV parked in a driveway 5000 block of Pinecroft Court was smashed, Nov. 11. A purse was taken.

Someone smashed the driver's side window of a vehicle parked in the 5000 block of Willowpark and took a wallet filled with cash, Nov. 11.

The driver's side door was pried open and backpack taken from a vehicle parked in the 4000 block of Fox Creek, Nov. 12.

## Suspicious driver

Neighbors called deputies to check a vehicle sitting in the road with lights on in the 5000 block of Williamson Street, 3:34 a.m., Nov. 1. A deputy spoke to the driver, a 23-year-old Wixom man. He didn't have his wallet. A record's check of his name showed he had several misdemeanor traffic tickets and suspended license. He was cited for driving with a suspended license, improper plate, driving unregistered vehicle, and no insurance, and his vehicle was impounded.

## Suspended license

A deputy pulled over a 24-year-old Waterford Township woman for pulling into the center lane of S. Ortonville Road at Citation Drive and stopping, 2:12 p.m., Nov. 2. With four current license suspensions, she was cited with driving with a suspended license and improper lane use for impeding traffic.

## Distracted driver

A deputy watching Holcomb and Miller roads for stop sign scofflaws watched as a car ran the Holcomb Stop sign without slowing down, 10:20 a.m., Nov. 5. The driver, a 48-year-old Clarkston woman, didn't stop for lights and siren until reaching Deer Lake beach. During later interviews with police, she said she had headphones on and was listening to music. Later she said she saw the deputy behind with lights and siren but wasn't sure what to do. She was cited for driving without due care and caution.

## Fare run off

A cab driver called police to report a fare not paying up, 7:34 a.m., Nov. 6, in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway. The fare, described as 25-30 years old, around 6-foot-2-inches in height, wearing blue jeans and a black hoodie, was driven from a restaurant in Pontiac. The fare was \$17. He asked to stop at a gas station to get change and ran off to nearby apartments.

## Arson investigation of field vandalism

Oakland County Sheriff's Office arson investigators are continuing to investigate a fire set on Clarkston High School's athletic field, around 3:30 p.m., Nov. 9.

Vandals left two large circular burn marks on the Wolf emblem in the center of the field, as well as a burn mark about five yards long to the south of the emblem. A few pieces of burned cloth were found next

to the long burn mark. A football blocking sled used for training was also set on fire. Investigators are also looking for possible links to a fire set at Fountains Golf Course.

Anyone with information about the culprits involved in the vandalism are asked to contact Deputy Liaison Officer Scott Panin at the high school, at 248-623-3600.

# Public Safety

For Clarkston and Independence Township

## Phone scammer

A S. River resident received a message from someone claiming to be from IRS criminal division, 10:05 a.m., Nov. 10. The caller said he had a warrant for her arrest for fraud, but wanted to work something out. She reported it to police.

At 2:14 p.m. on Nov. 10, a resident in the 6000 block of Deer Ridge Drive got a call from someone who said he was from the IRS criminal investigation division, demanding money. The resident refused and hung up. The caller's number was registered to San Antonio, Texas.

At 2:41 p.m., Nov. 10, a resident in the 5000 block of Chickadee Lane got a phone message from someone who said they were from the criminal investigative division, threatening a federal investigation warrant. The area code was registered to Texas, but the caller said he was from the IRS investigative unit in Washington.

## Drug arrest

A homeowner in the 6000 block of Ridgeview Drive called police after finding drugs in open view, as well as a man sleeping on a couch, when checking on his 16-year-old daughter, 8:42 a.m., Nov. 10. The man, a 19-year-old Holly resident, gave deputies permission to search his pickup truck, and was found with marijuana and smoking pipes. He was arrested for possession of dangerous drugs.

## Home break-in

When a homeowner in the 6000 block of Ridgeview Drive returned around 3:45 p.m., Nov. 12, he found the front door unlocked and basement door wall open, and jewelry and cash missing from a dresser. The doorwall had been forced off its track, with small marks left on the door wall and frame.

## Jewelry taken

Someone pried open a glass sliding door to a home in the 5000 block of Clarkston Road and took jewelry from a bedroom, Nov. 13.

## Caravan concerns

A resident stopped a deputy to report a 2009 white Dodge Caravan with several white men in it, parked without lights near a school bus stop at Reeder Road and Clintonville Road, 6:40 a.m., Nov. 11. When parents started to arrive at the bus stop, the minivan accelerated at a high rate of speed without lights onto northbound Clintonville Road. Its license plate was registered to Dearborn.

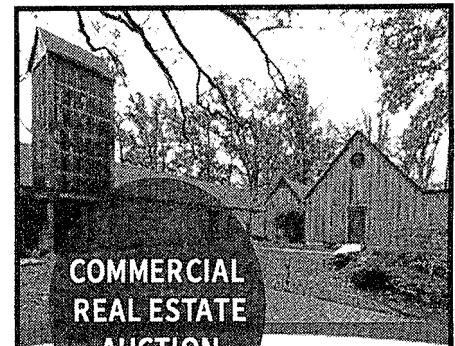
## Stolen guitars found

When the homeowner in the 6000 block of Ridgeview Drive returned from an out-of-town business trip, 5:46 p.m., Nov. 12, he found several items stolen, including eight guitars, four guns, two TVs, and jewelry. His 16-year-old daughter had thrown a party when home alone. A deputy had stopped a 19-year-old Holly Township man earlier in the day for an equipment violation, and had noticed a large amplifier and four guitars in the vehicle. The deputy asked what the equipment was for, and the driver said he played in a band. He was cited and released. Later, after hearing about the guitar theft, the deputy went to the man's place of business and asked about the musical instruments. The 19-year-old said he pawned them in Waterford. He was arrested for felony larceny.

## Suspicious visit

A resident in the 4000 block of Lakeview Boulevard was getting ready for bed when he saw a vehicle come down the road then turn off its lights before entering his driveway, 12:09 a.m., Nov. 13. When two people got out and approached his vehicle, the resident went outside and yelled at them. They returned to their vehicle and drove off. He was able to describe the suspects' vehicle as an older model tan four door, possible a Ford Taurus or Mercury, with bad exhaust, but not the suspects themselves because they kept to the dark.

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**Last Week: Clarkston 40, Walled Lake Central 22**

**Who's Up Next:** Clarkston plays East Kentwood in the SemiFinals Saturday at 1pm at Brighton

**This Year's Schedule**

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	WIN
Thursday	08-28-14	Dakota High School	WIN
Friday	09-05-14	Bloomfield Hills	WIN
Friday	09-12-14	West Bloomfield	WIN
Friday	09-19-14	Stoney Creek	WIN
Friday	09-26-14	Oxford	WIN
Friday	10-03-14	Troy Athens	WIN
Friday	10-10-14	Troy	WIN
Friday	10-17-14	Lake Orion	WIN

**OAA Red Standings**

Team	Overall Records		Team	Overall	Wins	Losses
	Wins	Losses				
1. Clarkston	12	0	5. Stoney Creek	5	4	
2. West Bloomfield	9	2	6. Bloomfield Hills	2	7	
3. Oxford	6	4	7. Troy Athens	2	7	
4. Lake Orion	4	5	8. Troy	1	8	

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# Clarkston's Sporting News

**Join Wolves action!**  
The MHSAA Division 1 Football Semifinals are Saturday at Brighton High School, 7878 Brighton Road. Kick off is 1 p.m.

## Brighton bound for semifinals

*Continued from page 1*  
the board.

The Vikings took over control of the ball and Wolves' defense slowed them down, preventing them from getting the lead back.

"We got it done when we had to," added long-time head coach Kurt Richardson.

"After the first couple plays I was concerned," admitted Tony Miller, defensive coordinator. "We had seen what happened and we made a few adjustments. The kids played well. We have a scheme and every person had their role. After we settled down we gave offense back the ball and they did what they do which was awesome to watch."

Clarkston had the possession again and with 2:05 remaining in the first quarter they scored again on a 13-yard run by Zezula.

Less than two minutes into the second quarter, Eriksen scored on a 38-yard run, putting the score 21-7.

"We've got that balance," Richardson added about the running game. "The running game helps the passing game and the passing game helps the running game. That's been our goal and that's what we try to achieve to regain the balance and take what they give us."

The Wolves struck three more times in the second half of the game with two touchdowns from Zezula, on a 1-yard run and a 4-yard run. Eriksen finished the game with a 44-yard run with 2:28 remaining in the game.

Zezula was 8-for-16 on passing for 118 yards. Egler caught six passes for 94 yards.

Eriksen carried the ball 15 times for 154 yards and two touchdowns.

"He is starting to look like his brother (Ian)

every day. He is faster. Tougher, too," Richardson added with a smile.

Zezula rushed the ball 13 times for 108 yards and three touchdowns. Kessman was 4-for-5 on PATs.

Junior Carter Linton led defense with 10 tackles and three assists. Senior Merrick Canada had eight tackles and three assists and senior Cole Chewins had four tackles and two assists.

"We were worried about our protection because they do a good job putting heat on the quarterback," Richardson added about the offensive line. "You have to give some credit to the guys up front. They did a good job protecting."

The Wolves spend this week preparing for East Kentwood for the semifinal showdown.

"They are just like us," said Miller. "They are going to throw the ball a lot. They have great team speed. We are going to things very simple and basic and get it done."

Richardson and Miller agreed they have great leadership coming from the seniors going into this week.

"Our entire senior class have been great leaders," Richardson smiled.

"If you have been there before you know what to expect," Miller added. "All the kids are going to keep their composure and will keep the younger kids composed and show them the way just like the seniors did last year."

They both added the boys are confident.

"They understand they had a chance to make another long run and here they are," said Miller, pointing out the boys are at their 25th consecutive win. "Now it is up to them."

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



**Kaitlyn Cavallo runs during one of her meets during the fall season. Photo provided**

## Setting the pace

**BY WENDI REARDON**

*Clarkston News Sports Writer*

Junior Kaitlyn Cavallo and her teammates finished the girls cross country season in eighth place at the state finals.

Cavallo was happy with her finish and being part of one of the teams to make it to the final at Michigan International Speedway, Nov. 1.

"Throughout the season I hit a few bumps," she explained.

At the state finals she finished in 126th place with a time of 20:38.7.

It was a faster time than the week before when Cavallo finished in 33rd place at the MHSAA Regional meet with the time of 20:54.34. The Lady Wolves finished as region champs, scoring 59 points.

"She had a big raced and made a difference in the team score," said Coach Kevin Breen. "She brought down the score by 15 points."

Cavallo explained there were moments during the season she wasn't sure if she would be one of the seven runners to compete in the state finals.

"I had run a few JV races and I ended up winning one which was really exciting," she said. "I figured if I worked really hard I could get on as one of the top seven."

Cavallo began running in fourth grade when she heard about the elementary race.

"I decided to do it and I loved it," she shared.

"I enjoy the dedication it takes and seeing yourself succeed after you put in a lot of hard work."

So far her best time was 20:34 during her sophomore year.

She also runs during the winter and with the Clarkston Girls Track and Field team in the spring and competes in the 2-mile and 1-mile events.

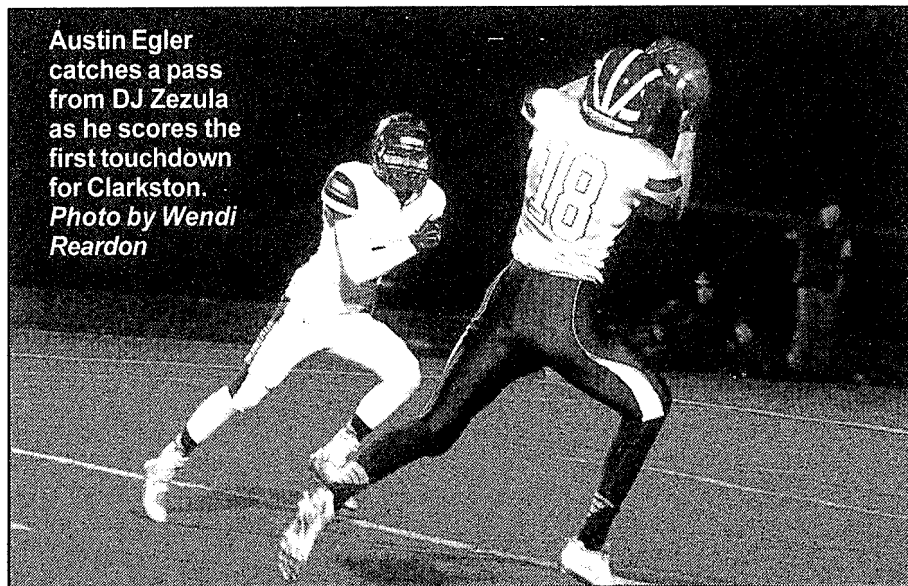
Her goals for the next year are to continue working hard during the track season and summer to make sure she is ready to race and compete for cross country in the fall.

Cavallo also plays clarinet in the band and is part of the National Honor Society. Currently she is in three Advanced Placement classes, as well as a math class and art class.

She hopes to run at a Division 2 college and study something in the medical field.

Her advice to aspiring athletes is to work hard.

"It will help you one way or another," she added. "It might not when you expect it to but it always comes through."



**Austin Egler catches a pass from DJ Zezula as he scores the first touchdown for Clarkston. Photo by Wendi Reardon**

  
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# Wolves sign on to the next chapter of their lives

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Five Clarkston athletes picked up their pens and signed their names to their letters of intent to colleges last week,

"I couldn't be more excited," said Taylor Dellinger, who plans to continue playing volleyball next fall for Western Kentucky University. "The campus is beautiful. The coaches are amazing."

Joining her last Wednesday at the Clarkston High School Media Center were Alex Dice, Saginaw Valley State University, golf; Rachel Vieira, Central Michigan University, softball; and Megan Stelpflug, Youngstown State University, swim.

"I couldn't be more excited," said Vieira. "It will be said and done in about ten minutes."

For Dice, he liked not only the small size of the campus and classes but Saginaw Valley's golf team is strong in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

"I felt like that was a huge thing," he added.

Vieira plans to focus on science and is leaning towards animal or health sciences. Stelpflug is gearing for engineering and Dice is going to study business marketing. Dellinger plans to study criminal psychology

adding her dad works for the federal government.

"I find what he does intriguing and I find psychology intriguing. I want to blend the two of those together," she said.

Max Bain waited until Friday afternoon to sign his letter to Northwood University for baseball where he plans to study sports management.

"I am very excited," he smiled. "A lot of new opportunities are coming my way."

He plans to pitch for Northwood even though he is a catcher for Clarkston Varsity Baseball.

"Being a catching and calling my games has helped me to be a lot better pitcher on the mound and how to throw, when to throw it and where to throw it," Bain said.

Clarkston academics prepares them for their courses but they added athletics prepared them as well.

Dellinger added she learned leadership.

"We have a really competitive program here," Vieira said. "I think that will always help and we have great coaches. The travel teams I have played on have been super competitive. It has helped me skill wise and more of the mental side to be where I need."

Dice explained Clarkston Golf taught him to never give up and learning how to play at

Orchard Lake Country Club with his dad taught him how to be a better person and a better player.

"Golf is not just a sport," he added. "It teaches you a lot about life."

"All my coaches I've had they have been great," Bain said. "They are great baseball guys who have helped me a lot."

With cold weather keeping them inside, Bain, Dice and Vieira are looking forward to their spring seasons.

"I want to make it back to East Lansing," Bain said, focused on making the finals again. "It was a great feeling earning the right to play at Michigan State University. The cohesiveness of our group and us getting together after a slow start was a really cool thing to be a part of."

Dice would like to win the league and go back to the state championship for the second consecutive year.

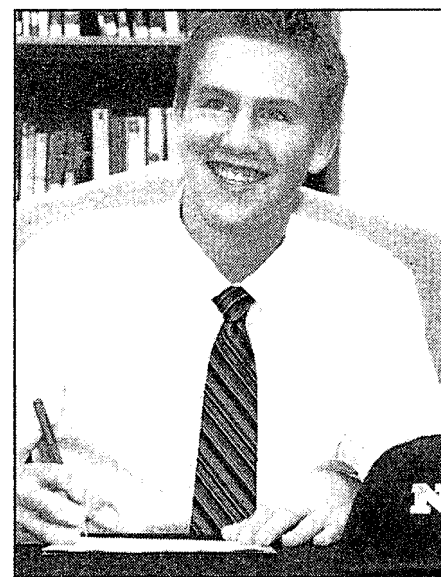
Vieira has her sights on crosstown rival Lake Orion.

"We always seem to find them in districts," she said adding she wants to move past them in playoffs. "Plus, just keep working on my skill set and becoming a lot stronger before I go to Central in the fall. Keep working on the fundamentals but mostly the mental game."

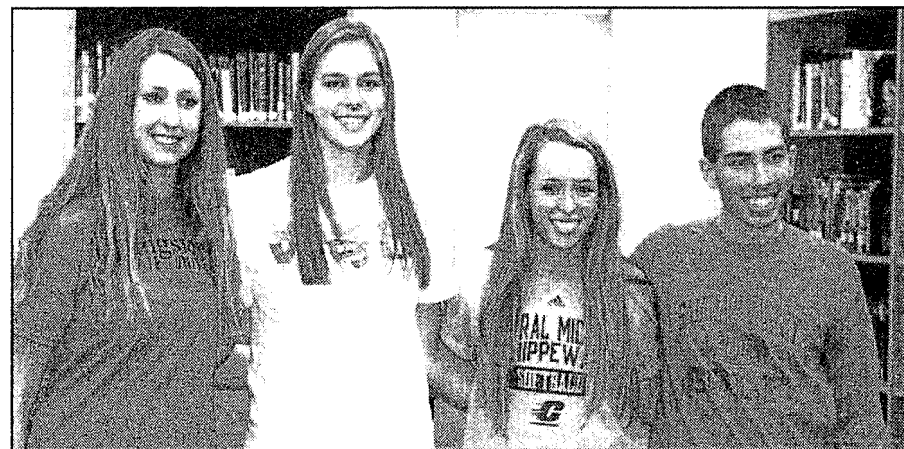
For Stelpflug, the Clarkston Swim program taught her how to be a better swimmer.

"It is part of a good community," she smiled. "It has been great living here and going to school."

Dice thanked his parents, grandparents, family, friends and coaches for everything they had done.



Max Bain signs his letter



From left Megan Stelpflug, Taylor Dellinger, Rachel Vieira and Alex Dice. Photos by Wendi Reardon

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# University sports achievements

**Kyle Lichtenberg**, from Clarkston, recorded a personal best in the 1,000-yard free at 9:35.14 during the Eastern Michigan University Men's swimming and diving team's second victory on Nov. 15.

The team defeated the University of Cincinnati, 191-109. Lichtenberg finished second in the 1,000 free.

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**Mitch Baenziger**, 2012 graduate of Clarkston High School, scored 18 points with Saginaw Valley State University Men's Basketball team as they defeated St. Joseph's last Friday, 87-81. They play this Thursday

and next Tuesday at home.

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**Nick Tatu**, 2012 graduate of Clarkston High School, scored 21 points for Rochester Colleg Men's Basketball last Friday against University of Detroit Mercy. Mercy won 77-54.

Rochester is at home this week at with Friday's game against Spring Arbor University and Saturday's game against Penn State - Fayette.

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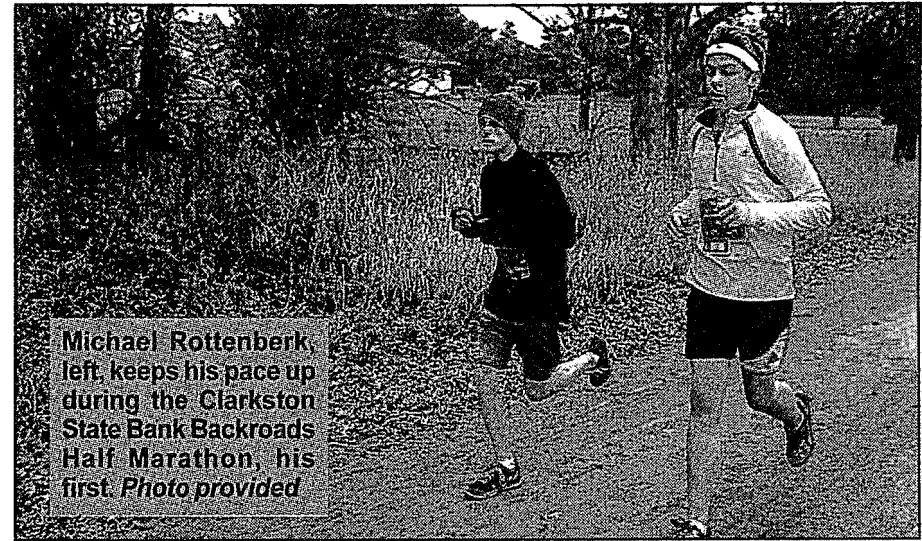
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Michael Rottenberk, left, keeps his pace up during the Clarkston State Bank Backroads Half Marathon, his first. Photo provided

## Top finish in first half marathon

Michael Rottenberk of Clarkston made his mother proud with his accomplishment in the Clarkston State Bank Back Roads Half Marathon, Nov. 9.

"I'm a proud mother of my 13-year-old who ran his first half marathon and came in first place for his age group," said Kelli Rottenberk of Clarkston, who ran the 10K race with her boyfriend Jason Fuller to support her son.

Michael finished with a time of 1:57:52, a 9 minute mile pace, first in Male Age Group 1-13, and 148th overall.


The eighth grader, who earned a top fin-

isher medal and runs cross country at Clarkston Junior High, said the course was fun, challenging, and exciting for his first half marathon.

"Everyone was so nice and cheering us on," said Michael, who also liked the people handing them water and Gatorade during the whole race. "I loved running over the bridges and running through the paths in the woods."


His goal for next year is to run the half marathon in under 1 hour and 30 minutes, and winning at least his next age group, 14-19 year olds.

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# Makeover for Lahser

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

The Lahser Pre-Vocational Center on Dixie Highway has a new look inside, thanks to local designers.

"It definitely makes a difference in there," said Hollie Gyarmati, owner of 3AM Interior Design. "This makes it a nice space where folks can relax, a place to have fun."

Gyarmati was chosen as the south central regional winner in the national Design for a Difference contest.

The designer nominated Lahser, a non-profit providing services to adult individuals with disabilities, for her makeover project.

As the regional winner, she was awarded \$2,000 for the project, and also rallied donations from local businesses. They raised more than \$10,000 in additional goods and services for the center's makeover.

"I have been so impressed by the support we've received from other local businesses thus far," said Matt Pfeiffer of Northern Flooring and Interiors, which sponsored the contest locally. "The International Design Guild's Design for a Difference contest is a great way for Northern Flooring and Interiors to give back to our community."

Selected from over a hundred entries, Gyarmati's design was chosen for its design appeal and ability to have a powerful and

positive impact on the winning charity.

The new design is fun yet functional and provides an engaging environment for the individuals with disabilities who attend the program.

The project has been in the works since mid-August, and was unveiled on Nov. 3.

"It's breathtaking, knowing what it was before," said Sharon Williams-Tyson, program supervisor at Lahser. "Seeing the reaction, how happy it makes them, that's what it's all about."

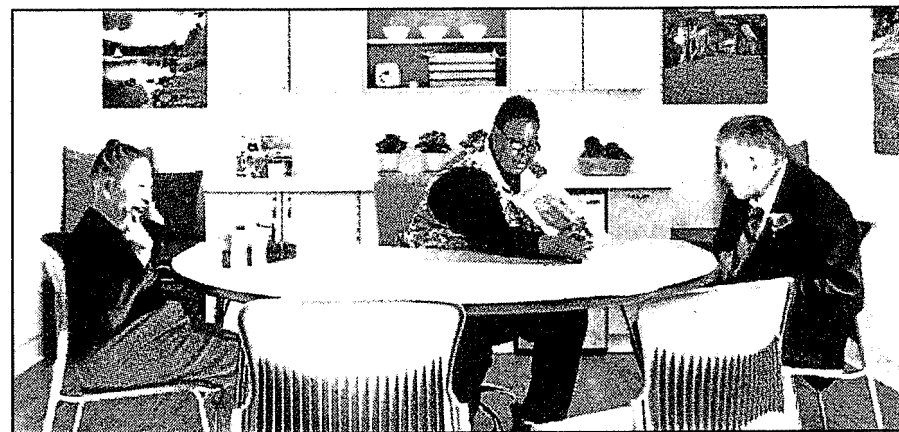
Gyarmati will also be one of four designers from across the country who will join national Design for a Difference spokesperson and celebrity designer, Mark Brunetz, at the \$25,000 grand prize makeover in Kansas City at Operation Breakthrough this Thanksgiving.

The makeover effort for the Lahser Pre-Vocational Center continues, with an online drive at [www.crowdrise.com/lahsermakeover/fundraiser/southcentralwinner](http://www.crowdrise.com/lahsermakeover/fundraiser/southcentralwinner). Wish list donation items include leather sofas, chairs, and recliners, glider rockers, folding tables, stackable chairs, artwork and posters, and games, books, movies, and CDs.

The community is also invited to come to the center to help with service projects. Call the center, 5871 Dixie Highway, at 248-623-3067.



Hollie Gyarmati of 3AM Interior Design, with Matt Pfeiffer of Northern Flooring and Interiors, designed a makeover for Lahser Pre-Vocational Center in Independence Township. Photo by Phil Custodio



Sharon Williams-Tyson, program supervisor at Lahser, with Ernie VanPachtenbeke and Janice Bellant in the newly redesigned center. VanPachtenbeke is Gyarmati's uncle. Photo provided

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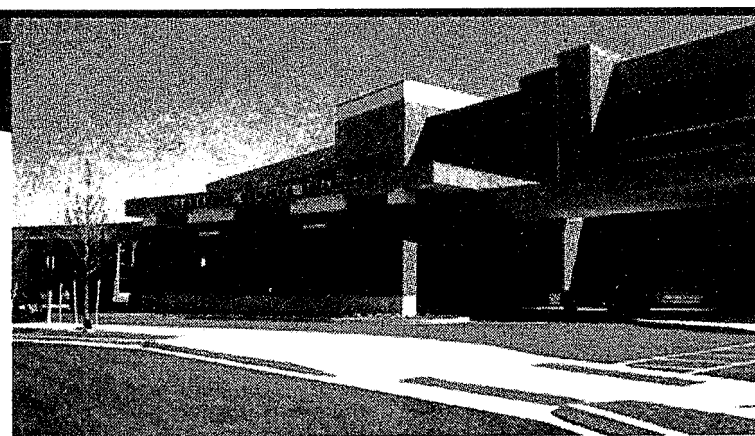
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Katie Bowman Cole, dealer principal of John Bowman Chevrolet, and Brent Wirth, Easter Seals Michigan president and CEO, will host Cheers to the Holidays, Dec.5. *File photo*

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Bowman's showrooms and service area will be fully transformed into a winter wonderland as attendees enjoy a strolling dinner and sampling of fine wine and craft beer.

The event will feature live music, wine pull, silent auction and raffle. Items include Red Wings gift pack, Pistons gift pack, Ladies diamond Bulova watch, vacation packages, airline tickets valued at \$800 and several art pieces.

"This is a great cause," said Katie Bowman Coleman, dealer principal. "Clarkston is a community like no other. It has a big heart."

"We are proud to find a great community partner like John Bowman Chevrolet to team up with for this event," said Brent Wirth, Easter Seals Michigan president and CEO. "It will be a great way for us to celebrate the holidays as well as perpetuate the Easter Seals mission of providing service and support to those with disabilities

and their families."

The funds raised at the event will go towards the life-changing programs offered at Easter Seals Michigan. These services will help local individuals who have disabilities or special needs, and their families, to live better lives.

The event takes place on Friday, Dec. 5, from 7-10 p.m., at John Bowman Chevrolet, 6750 Dixie Highway. Tickets are \$50 each or two tickets for a discounted price of \$80. They are available at [www.essmichigan.org](http://www.essmichigan.org) and space is limited.

In the season of giving, this is the perfect way to make the season a little bit brighter for someone else, Wirth said.

"Easter Seals has been serving Michigan for over 94 years by being innovative and addressing the needs of our community," he said. "This event will allow us to raise funds for those we serve and also celebrate this time of the year with those community members that help support our mission."

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For more information, contact Easter Seals Michigan at 800-75-SEALS or visit [www.essmichigan.org](http://www.essmichigan.org).

— Phil Custodio

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**DivorceCare** 13-weekly seminars, Thursdays, 6:45-8:30 p.m., Clarkston United

Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. For more information, call 248-625-1611.

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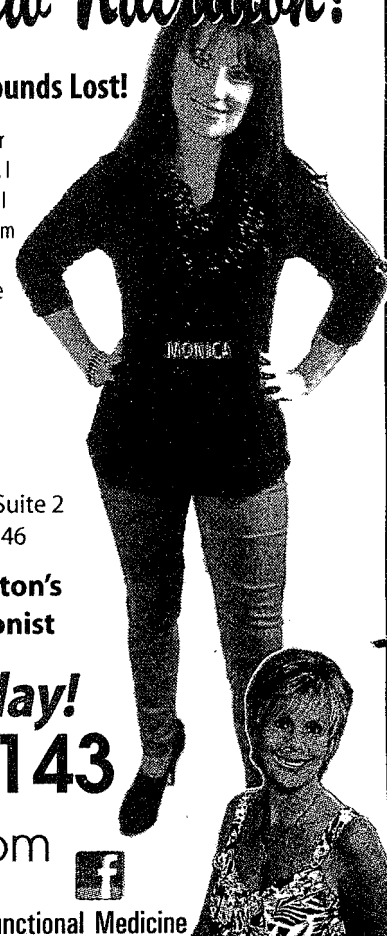
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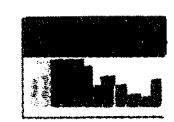
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**Scrapbooking Crop,** 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Nov. 22, First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. \$40 registration fee before Nov. 17, continental breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, goodie bag, prizes. 248-394-0200.  
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**Fund raiser** for Clarkston Autistic Post-High Program for Young Adults, 12-7 p.m., Nov. 30, Overtyme Grill and Tap Room, 4724 Dixie Highway. Live entertainment, contests, silent auction. \$10.  
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**Fund raiser,** Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center building expansion, 5-8 p.m., Dec. 1, Pete's Coney II, 6160 Dixie Highway. 248-625-8231.  
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**Blood drive,** 2:30-8:15 p.m., Dec. 3, Bailey Lake Elementary School, 8051 Pine Knob Road. All types needed, especially O negative, A negative, and B negative.  
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**Greens Market,** Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 6, Church of the Resurrection, 6400 Clarkston Road. Wreaths, roping, fresh greens, holiday arrangements, clarkstongardenclub@gmail.com.  
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**Holiday Lights Parade,** 6 p.m. Dec. 13, downtown Clarkston. Tree lighting with Santa follows in Depot Park. Letters to Santa, glow items, hot chocolate, treats.  
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**Monday**

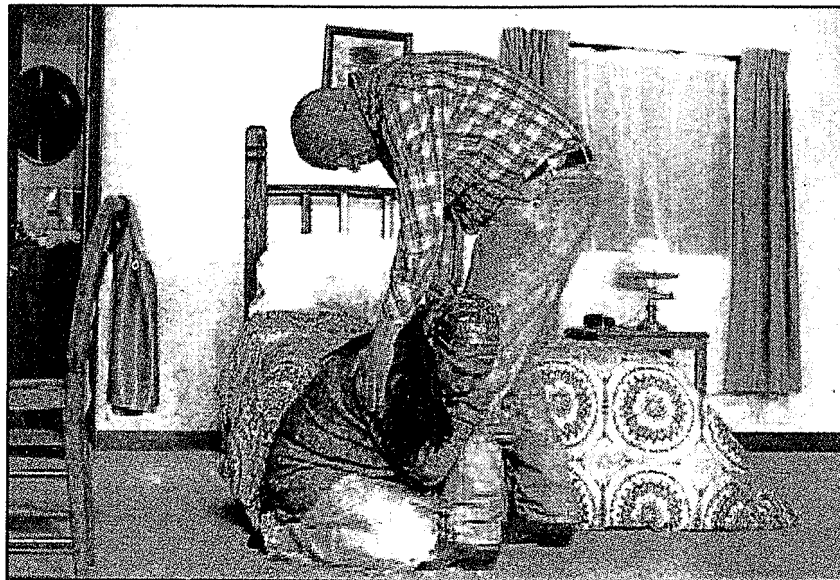
**Line Dancing,** Mondays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Country, salsa, cha-cha, rock and roll with Rosemary Hall. All welcome. \$3/drop in.  
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**Pilates and Sculpt,** Mondays, 7-8 p.m., Bay Court Park's Lakeview room. Independence

# Around Town

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



**DRAMA AT DEPOT:** Johanna Bell, as May, and Todd St. George, as Eddie, rehearse a scene from Clarkston Village Players' "Fool for Love" by Sam Shepard. Showtimes for the adult drama about secret lives and the desperate nature of forbidden love are 7:30 p.m., Nov. 20, \$12; and 8 p.m., Nov. 21-22, \$14, at Depot Theater. The one act play showcases Shepard's talent for poetic and descriptive dialogue, and contains adult themes and some strong language. Call 248-425-5842. Photo provided

Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.  
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**Tuesday**

**Clarkston Community Band** rehearsals, 7-9 p.m., Tuesdays. \$30/semester, free for high school students. Band room, Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane, clarkstonband@gmail.com.  
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**Needlework Night,** fourth Tuesday, 6:30-8 p.m. Stitch and visit. Everyone welcome. Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.  
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**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.  
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**Big Chief Christmas Chorus,** rehearsals Tuesdays in November, 7:30-10 p.m., Oakland County Activity Center, 2881 Watkins Lake Road, Waterford. Performances Tuesdays and Thursdays in December. 248-224-2214.  
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**LegalShield and Identity Theft Shield** information sessions with Carol Compagnoni, Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road. 248-420-3126.  
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**Wednesday**

**Clarkston Area Optimist Club,** 7:30-8:30

a.m., Wednesdays, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-622-6096.

**Thursday**

**Clarkston Area Lions Club,** second and fourth Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Carriage House, Clintonwood Park. 248-802-8603.  
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**Grief Support Group** with Coats Funeral Homes, third Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church, Fireside Room, 4301 Monroe Ave, Waterford. 248-674-0461.  
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**Office hours,** Clarkston City Councilman Mike Sabol, third Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Village Bakery, 10 S. Main Street.  
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**Lunches for 50+,** Thursdays, 12 p.m., made-from-scratch. \$6. Independence Township Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Make reservation by Monday before, 248-625-8231.  
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**Free General Support Group** for any type of cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.  
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**MOPS, Mothers Of Preschoolers,** first and third Thursdays, 9-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. Call Saleena, 734-620-2844.  
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**TOPS 1093 Clarkston,** Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., \$1/week. First Missionary Church, 4832 Clintonville Road. 248-673-5540.

**Saturday**

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

**Volunteer opportunities**

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## Thoughts on walking, driving downtown?

"I think the objective should be to slow things down. It is a village not an interstate freeway. The road improvement has made it a more appealing route which has increased demand (traffic). More cars in the same amount of space trying to go faster causes the problem. The genie is out of the bottle now so we have choices. Plan ahead or take different routes. That applies to walkers, too. I prefer walking at the county and Metroparks but also enjoy walking around the Village of Clarkston and stopping at Rudy's or Essence on Main or the other great places. I am not fond of the idea of enforcement but that may be what it takes to re-program people to be responsible for their actions."



- Mark McCloy

"It's downright scary walking in the village and I think it's because we don't have our own police to enforce the speed limits. I walk a lot with my dog and on every walk I come home annoyed after yelling at some inconsiderate motorist. My husband thought I was crazy when I made sure to get the attention of the driver stopped at an intersection where I am going to cross, until he got hit by a car in a crosswalk. I couldn't care less that the traffic is slow through town, maybe some of those people will find other routes. I agree completely."



- Lydia Uguccini Strnad

"Pretty simple solution. If you notice where the problem lies, it begins at the Clarkston and Main light. The Main Street side needs to be green a lot longer to get the traffic through. I have called MDOT and requested they try this, but nothing again. Maybe more people asking may help. I am also working on a central 'no turn on red sign' at Washington and Main. People turn on red all day and night and too many people have almost been hit, including my family many times."



- Kimberly Berry

"The traffic in Clarkston around 4:30 p.m. is terrible. Washington and Main, I could not get through yesterday! Something needs to be done. It's only going to get worse by the holidays. Is it those new pedestrian lights?"

- Melissa Dell

By Andrea Beaudoin

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## Ballplayer thankful, grateful to be alive

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

When John Nelson organized a special get-together of friends and family, he picked Lucky's Steakhouse in Clio.

It was most conveniently located. It's name was appropriate, too, especially since those he invited saved his life at a softball game in Independence Township this past summer.

"I was really lucky," said Nelson, 66, of Haslett.

He was playing in the Michigan Senior Olympics Tournament at Clintonwood Park on Aug. 23 when he collapsed in full cardiac arrest.

"The ball was over my head. My arm hurt. I could see the ball coming, but my body wasn't working," he said. "The next thing I knew, people were over me. These guys were amazing."

It was those people he invited to dinner, Nov. 9, to thank them now that he has fully recovered. Many were able to make it, including Anna Warren of Midland, who was playing softball in an adjacent field.

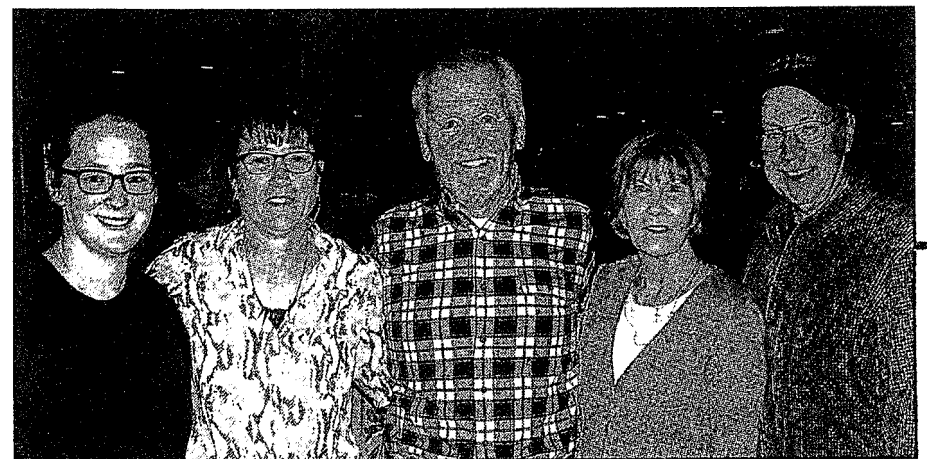
Warren is a cardiac specialist with 30 years of experience dealing with heart attack victims.

"I heard someone yell 'call 9-1-1' from the other field," said Warren, who was playing second base at the time. "I thought maybe someone fell and hurt their ankle. Then someone yelled 'man down.' I knew it wasn't an ankle. I just ran there and started chest compressions - I was on instinct."

Nelson's teammate Ed Gren, who was playing left field, was also there to help. It was his first time using CPR in an emergency.

"I wish I could have done more," Gren said.

Rebecca Ridky of Sterling Heights, executive director for Michigan Senior Olympics, grabbed an AED kept on site at



John Nelson, in middle with his wife, Kathy Nelson, thanks people who saved his life, including, from left, Becky Ridky and Anna Warren, and, at right, Ed Gren. Photos by Phil Custodio

the park, hooked him up, and gave him a shock.

"It was a team effort," Ridky said. "I'm so happy he's doing well."

After another round of CPR, they checked his pulse and found his heart was beating again.

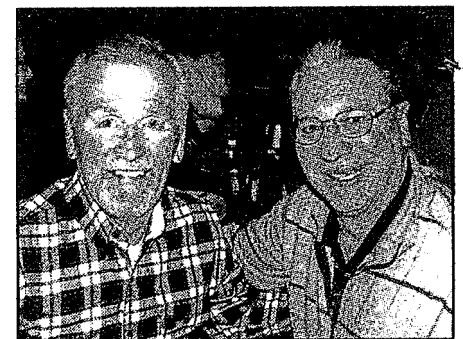
"He came around, started talking, gave us his name, how old he was," Warren said. "He had his bell rung, but he was talking before he was placed on a cart by EMS and hauled away - it was unbelievable, seeing someone come back from that."

"I was never so happy in my life," Gren said.

Nelson survived "the widow maker," a heart attack usually with a five percent chance of survival.

"I remember them on top of me, giving me oxygen," he said. "They said they had to shock me. I thought, 'Oh dear' - it was really something lucky."

He was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Oakland, where Dr. James Caralis performed a five-bypass surgery the next morning.



John Nelson and Dr. James Caralis.

"It's almost spiritual how all these people were present at the right time," said Dr. Caralis.

It was a miracle, said Kathy Nelson, John's wife.

"This is so wonderful," Kathy said. "I'm so happy everyone could make it."

"I'm thankful to these people. The response, no one had to come running. To think they did, is just unreal," John said. "If I wasn't there, I would have been at the cottage in the middle of nowhere."

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## John L. Bovee, 84

John L. Bovee, D.C., M.D., of Waterford went home to be healed by the Lord on Nov. 14, 2014, after a courageous battle with cancer at age 84.

He was the husband of Marcia; father of John L. (Lori) Bovee, Jr., Jacqueline L. Bovee, Janette L. (Carl) Limburg, Jill L. (André) Gourand and Jeffrey L. (Megan) Bovee; grandpa of Jenna and Kyle Bovee, Josie and Cameron Limburg, Tom and Eric Michaels, Devin Gourand, Rochelle Hopkinson, John "Jack" Bovee and Stephanie Schulz; great grandpa of Adley Bovee; survived by siblings Anna Gorsline, Elizabeth (the late Billy) Nolin and Marilyn (the late Lorenzo) Comparoni; also many loving nieces and nephews.



John was a decorated veteran, having served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a founding member and served as past commander of AMVETS, Oxford and member of American Legion Post 108. He was a retired chiropractor and medical doctor in the Detroit area. John was also the owner of Dependable Airport Transportation.

Friends may visit Wednesday, Nov. 19, 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Memorial service, Thursday, 9:30 a.m., at the funeral home, followed by 11:30 a.m. military honors at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

## Ethel M. Davis, 74

Ethel M. Davis of Clarkston passed away Nov. 14, 2014, at age 74.

She was preceded in death by her husband Clayton. She was the mother of Raeann (Tracy) Neil and Karen Davis; Grandma "Gma" of Caleb (Gena) Ochal, Nicholas Ochal, and Andrew Neil; also survived by many family and friends.

Funeral service was Nov. 18 at the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery.

## Ruby M. Cooper, 90

Ruby M. Cooper of Waterford, formerly of Swifton, Arkansas, passed away Nov. 14, 2014, at age 90.

She was preceded in death by her husband Horace and parents Asa and Anna Dedmon. She was the mother of Darrell (Charlotte) Cooper and Cindy (Richard) Myers; grandma of Chris, Mark, Heather, Lauren, Lindsey and Erin.



Funeral service, Sunday, Nov. 23, at 12:30 p.m. at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, where friends may visit 11:30 a.m. until time of service. Private entombment at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Lawrence Memorial Park Association, Juanita Johnson, P.O. Box 385, Walnut Ridge, AR 72476. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

## Virginia Nurmikko

Virginia Nurmikko, "Jinny," of Clarkston passed away Nov. 13, 2014.

She was the wife of Mike; mother of Kristine (Don) Zimmerman, Sherry (Jeff) Gibeau and Dan (Brenda) Colombo; preceded in death by her son Craig Kulaszewski; mother in law of Beth; grandma of Jessica, Craig, Lauren, Katie, Evan, Allie, Reese and Beau.



Jinny was a retired teacher at Grayson Elementary School Waterford, and enjoyed playing cards and reading.

Visitation was Nov. 17 at the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Nov. 18 at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Rite of Committal, Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to University of Michigan Kidney Transplant. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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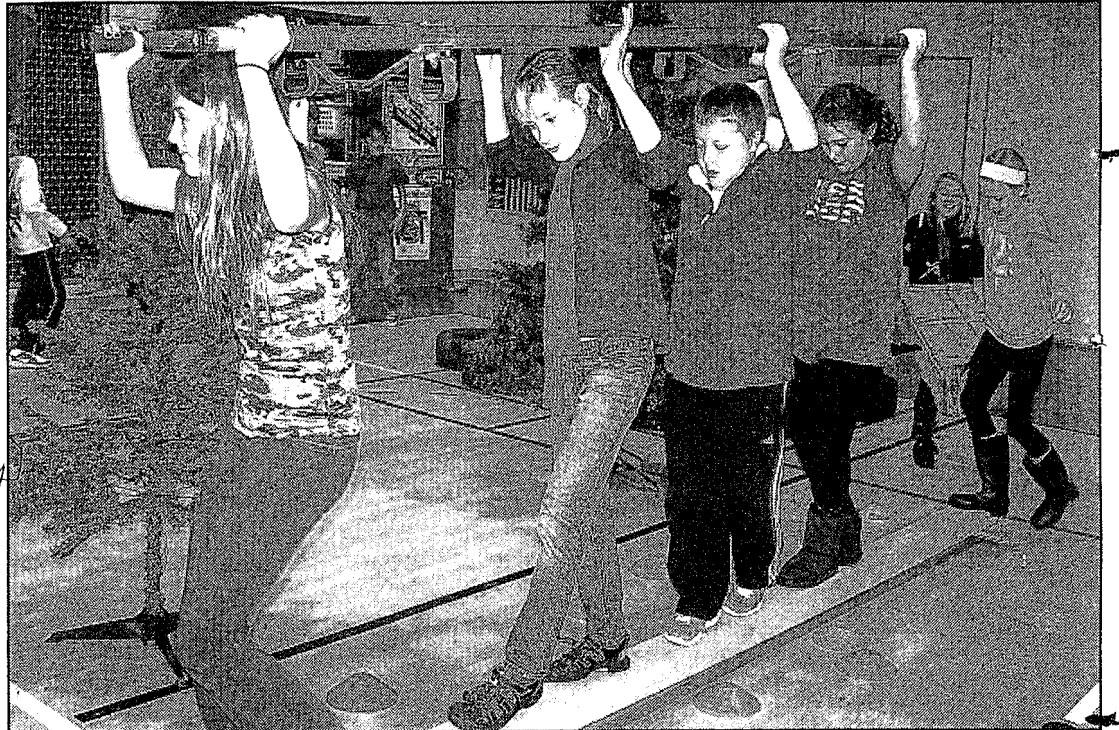
A. There are many difficult days for the bereaved, but for many Christmas is the most difficult because it is synonymous with family togetherness. First, be honest, sit your family down and decide what you want to do. Don't set expectations too high for yourself or the day and undertake only what you can comfortably handle. Just remember... there is no right or wrong way to handle the holidays and don't wish for things to be the same, because you are going to be disappointed. For complete list of helpful tips on "Handling the Holidays," please contact me

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Teacher Bob Brazier and Joe Smothers work together in the Bulldog Boot Camp obstacle course.



Savannah Frendo, Alison Kirk, Luke Ludd and Lauryn Sajan test their balance.



National Guard Specialist Angel Coon shares some of her Army experiences with students.



Alyssa Maynor negotiates an obstacle. Photos by Phil Custodio

## All-day military salute for Bulldogs

Bailey Lake Elementary students saluted veterans and active duty members of the military, many of whom have children at the school, with a Salute To The Armed Forces, Nov. 13.

The students welcomed U.S. Marines Jason Onitveros, combat vet and Bailey Lake dad, Lance Corporal Chambers, and Sergeant Joshua T. Fitzpatrick; from the Coast Guard, Petty Officer James Dixon, Seaman Michael Schneider, Command Senior Chief James E. Jones, and Bill Weiss; Air Force Captain Chris Platz and Tammy Lejack, veteran and Bailey Lake mom; Navy Lieutenant Michael Cullen and Julie Belliveau, Navy vet and Bailey Lake mom; and Army

Specialist Angel Coon, National Guard and BLE mom, Specialist Matthue Maynor, who volunteered via video and BLE dad, Lee Zhang, president of the Student Veteran Association, and Staff Sergeant Ryan Nelson, Military Police and BLE dad. American Legion Post 63 Honor Guard presented a 21 gun salute and Taps.

Co-chair Marcelino Cabella, Physical Education teacher Kelly Woodworth, and Jesse Moyet led a Bulldog Boot Camp, a mini obstacle course set up in the gym.

Moyet's Detroit Apparel Factory also donated a Clarkston Love shirt to each service member and veteran.

Muriel and Terry Shelswel of

Clarkston, Military Vehicle Collectors Club of Michigan, brought their military vehicles, a 1952 Willys M38A1 and Kaiser-Jeep M816.

Food and supplies were donated by Rudy's Market, Ruby Tuesdays Clarkston, Gregg's Gourmet, Clarkston Union, Tim Hortons, B-Zany, and Joe's Army Navy Surplus and Camping

Parent volunteers included event Chair Andrea and Mark Beauchamp, co-chair Sara Hoyle, Kerri Kacanowski, Nikki Kurmanick, Kassie Scaglione, Julie Rinaldi, and Ashleigh Guidoux.

Guidoux also donated two shirts from her Love Clarkston Apparel to every BLE parent currently serving.



Students and service men and women line up for the 21 gun salute.





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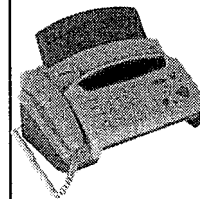
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### Marion L. Figa, 90

Marion L. Figa of Clarkston, 90, formerly of West Bloomfield, passed away Nov. 9, 2014.

She was the loving wife of the late Joseph P. Figa Sr. for 65 years; dear mother of Joseph P. (Joyce A.) Figa Jr.; special grandmother of Jeffrey (Laura) Figa, Robert (Lori) Figa, and Christopher (Michele) Figa; great grandmother of Alex, Kylie, Alysse and Avery; sister of Dorothy Blackburn, sister-in-law of Judy Figa; preceded in death by brother-in-laws Robert Blackburn, Fred, Mike, and Ted Figa and sister-in-law Mary Figa; also survived by nieces and a nephew.



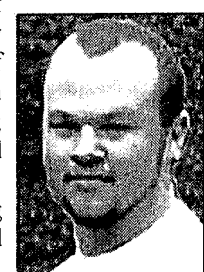
Marion was one of the owners of Wash King Laundry in Pontiac and husband Joe was partners for many years in the Figa Brothers Markets. Marion belonged to the Elks Lady Klub #810, loved to bowl, golf, and do various crafts.

Funeral service was Nov. 15 at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Burial at All Saints Cemetery. Visitation was Nov. 14 at **Coats Funeral Home-Clarkston**. To send a condolence go to [www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/obituaries](http://www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/obituaries).

### Steven Tibitoski, 27

Steven G. Tibitoski of Clarkston passed away Nov. 13, 2014, at age 27.

He was the son of Greg and Kathy Tibitoski; brother of Ashley and Bryan (Amanda) Tibitoski; grandson of Harold and Linda Brenizer.



Steven loved playing with his niece and nephews, Payton, Aiden, and Wyatt. He is also survived by many extended family and friends. He attended Clarkston High School and Oakland Community College. Steven played hockey for four years with USA Hockey Club.

Funeral Service was Nov. 17 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Online guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

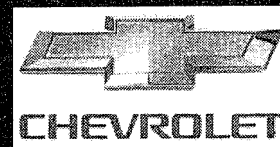
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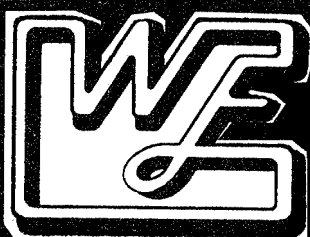
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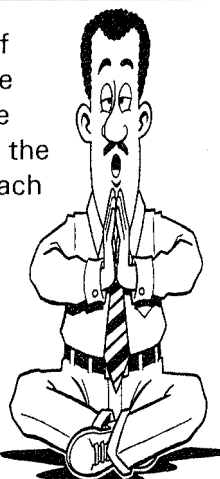
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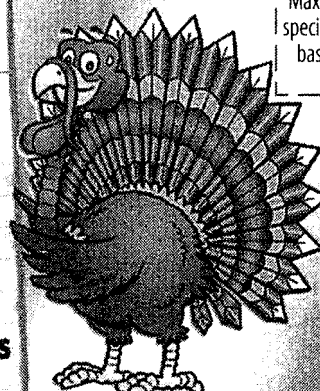
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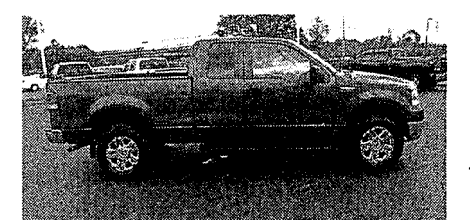
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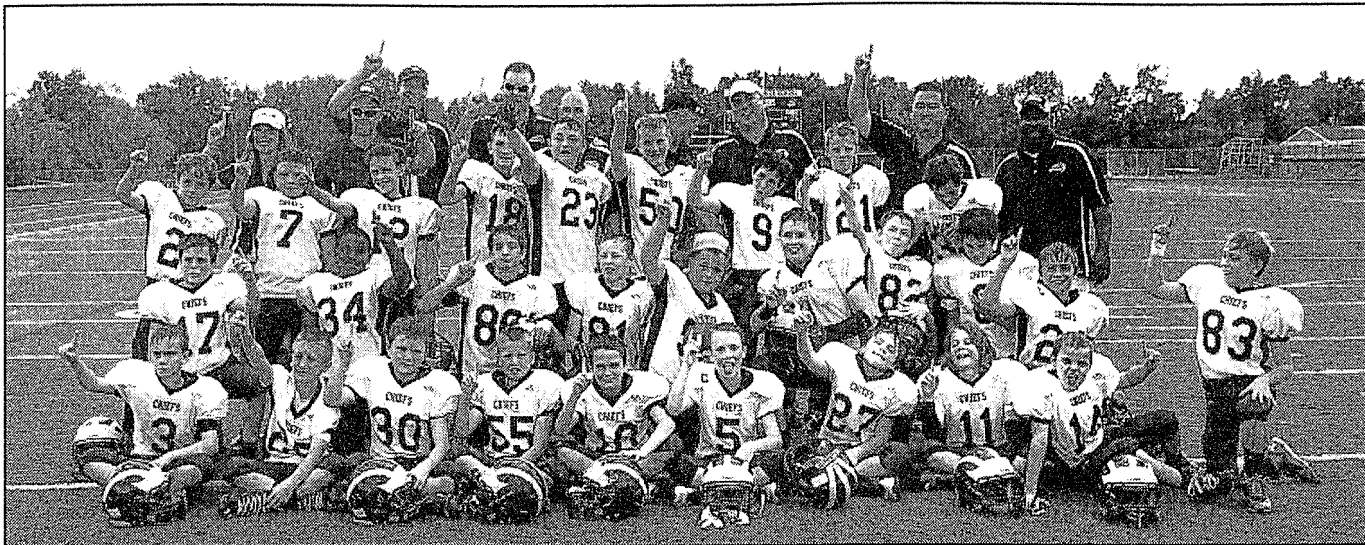
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2008 Dodge Ram 1500 Mega Cab Laramie 4x4 leather interior, power everything, only 54K miles,.....	\$22,377
2008 Ford F150 60th anniversary edition Supercrew 4x4 Only 44K miles, fully loaded leather interior, moon roof,.....	\$22,377
2008 GMC Sierra 3500H Crewcab SLE2 DRW 4x4 Duramax Diesel, power everything 45K miles,.....	\$32,988
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2007 Dodge Ram 1500 Quad Cab SLT 4x4 55K miles, 20" chrome wheels, Only,.....	\$19,488
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2004 GMC Sierra 1500 SLE Ext. Cab 4x4 Low miles, all power options, extra clean,.....	\$13,988
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The Clarkston Chiefs JV White team proudly show off their medals for the Superbowl championship win. Photos submitted

# Mighty win for Chiefs

Three shutouts led the Clarkston Chiefs JV White team to a title on Nov. 1 at Avondale High School - Northern Youth Football League Superbowl Champs.

The boys defeated Oxford Blue during the superbowl game, 20-0.

They qualified for the championship game after winning the American division title against Rochester. Offense put 19 points on the board while defense kept Rochester from scoring zero points on Oct. 26.

During the first round of playoffs the Chiefs beat Oxford Gold, 7-0.

The boys opened the season with a shutout against Waterford, 34-0.

The Clarkston Chiefs JV White team is Drew Barber, Joshua Buchmann, Braedyn Callahan, Nick Chavers, Kyle Crockett, Tyler Crockett, Robert Elliott, Eric Gohl, Owen Hall, Chase Halligan, Carter Hearld, Gurn Jack, Patrick Johnson, Kory Kovach, Aaron Laird, Nathan Lewis, Sam Lightfoot, Lucas McKinney, Connor McKouen, Blake Pryjomski, Brooks Richardson, Caleb Stalworth, Andrew Stark, Carter Szydlowski, Cameron Walker, Cole Wilson, Glenn Wood and Jonah Zoch.

For more information, please visit [www.eteamz.com/clarkstonchiefsfootball](http://www.eteamz.com/clarkstonchiefsfootball).



The Chiefs gain yards against Oxford during the superbowl championship game.

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MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2014

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

Roll: Present-Mayor Luginiski, Roth, Haven, Catalo, Marsh, Hunter, Sabol Absent.

Approval of agenda moved by Hunter Supported by Roth to approve the Agenda with the addition of the award of the Sewer Clean out Bids Motion Carried. Thank You

Certificates were given out to volunteers that took care of City flower gardens.

Motion by Haven Supported by Catalo to approve the Consent Agenda Motion Carried.

Resolved by Catalo Supported by Hunter to approve the removal of the sidewalk project from Miller North to the City limits the money is to be moved back to the reserve fund from the Capital Improvement Fund. Resolution is Adopted.

Motion by Marsh Supported by Roth to postpone City Sidewalk Snow Removal until next Council meeting Oct 27th. All Aye Motion Carried.

Motion by Luginiski Supported by Marsh to approve NO PARKING IN THE ALLEY with approval of a Temporary Order by Oakland County Sheriff Department's Lieutenant Finley for a 15 minute loading/unloading zone. This will be a 90 day temporary order

Consider this to be a first read of an order to change to No Parking in the Alley with 15 Minute Loading/unloading zone. The area behind Rudy's and The Clarkston State Bank, including "No Parking Except for Local Deliveries" Signs and a designated striped off loading zone. Funds for this motion will be taken from Local Roads 203 - non winter local streets, which is in the current budget. No Budget Adjustment is needed. Motion Carried.

Moved by Roth Supported by Catalo to designate trick or treating On October 31, 2014 from 6 to 7 p.m. Motion Carried.

Upon the recommendation of Tom Ryan it is a zoning ordinance amendment for the re-zoning of 55 S Main will have a first read at the next Council meeting October 27, 2014.

Moved by Haven Supported by Hunter to vote for MML Liability and Property Pool Ballot slate on the three Directors presented for the three year terms beginning January 1, 2015, Epler, Osborn, Post. All Aye Motion Carried.

Resolution by Catalo Supported by Hunter to approve the bid award for Storm Sewer Clean out Catch Basins. The recommendation is Pipeline Management will be awarded with their amount coming in at \$3,575.00 without a dump cost with the entire job not to exceed \$6,500.00. Resolution is Adopted.

Moved by Roth, supported by Catalo to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sandy Miller  
City Clerk

## Clarkston News



Thursdays  
in Clarkston

7:30-9 a.m.

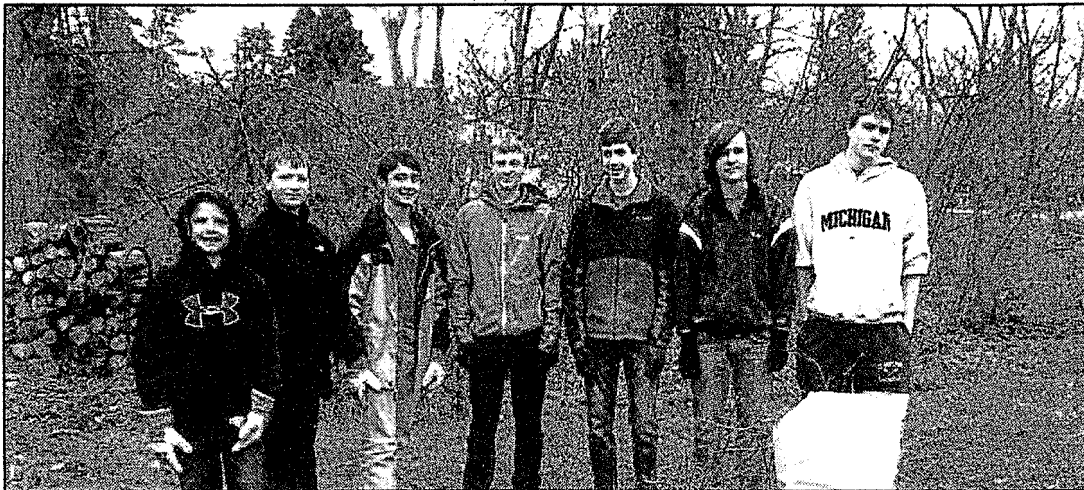
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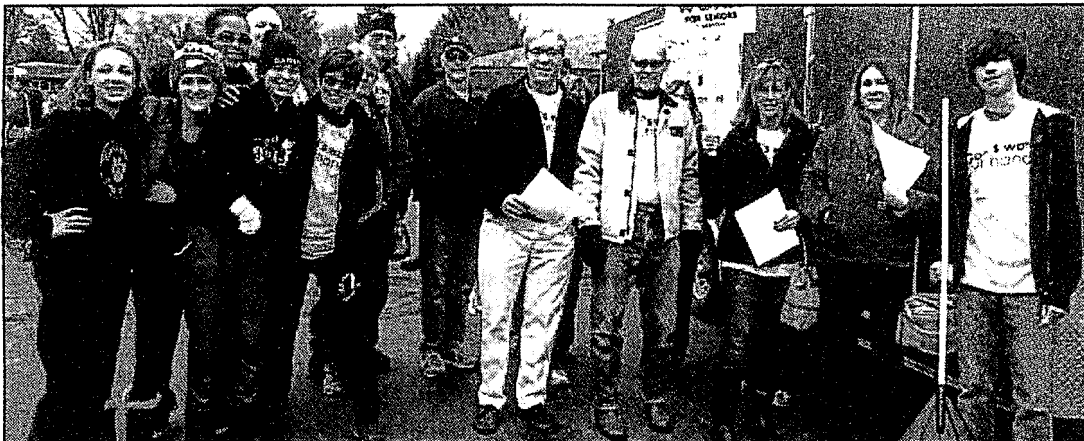
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Scout Troop 189 takes a break during Impact Day.



Parents and kids get Independence Elementary's gardens ready for the winter season.



Volunteers with Independence Township Rake and Run project. Photos provided

## Volunteers make an impact

Volunteers and community groups from around the area worked together for fall Impact Day, Nov. 9.

Organized by My Habitat Clarkston, a grassroots movement of Clarkston-area residents, community groups, churches, and businesses, they

helped out all over the community with yard work for seniors, packing donated meals for neighbors in need, cleaning up school yards and gardens, and other projects.

For more information on My Impact Clarkston, go to [www.clarkston.org](http://www.clarkston.org).

## You're Invited!

# Childhood Open House

Brandon School District is welcoming families with 0-7 year old children to come and see why more local families are calling us home!

### WHO'S INVITED?

Parents and kids! For the parents, you can meet the staff, sample the curriculum, see the schools in action. For the kids, there will be a Bounce House and a Special Guest!

### WHERE AND WHEN?

The Open House is December 4 from 5-7 PM. There are three Open Houses from which to choose: Harvey-Swanson Elementary, Oakwood Elementary, and the Brandon Academy of Arts and Sciences.

### WHAT PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE?

Brandon School District offers three different early childhood programs. You can learn about our Pre-School program, our Early 5's program, and our Kindergarten program.



*Santa will be there, will you?*



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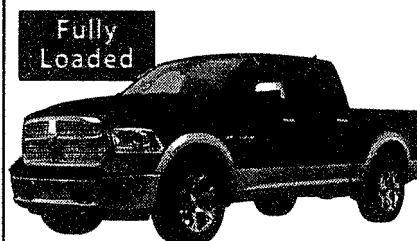
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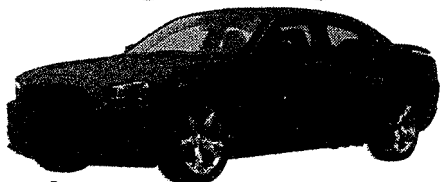
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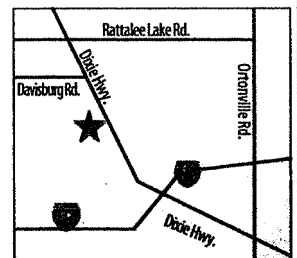


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