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Elite Eight Wolves vie for semifinals

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Board considers 5 open-enrollment options

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

In an effort to increase revenue, Clarkston Community Schools district is considering open enrollment.

Last week, they released five options and an online survey to gauge community sentiment.

Options include Reggio Kindergarten, a discovery and play-based program from Italy for up to 20 out-of-district and 20 indistrict students; Tech K, technologybased, year-round Kindergarten using Project Lead the Way and Coding curricula forup to 10 out-of-district and 12 in-district students; Tech 6/7, career immersion program for sixth and seventh graders; Alternative Junior High School at Renaissance High School, expanding the alternative high school to seventh and eighth graders; and Stars and Stripes, a pilot program in which a small group of

"high caliber gymnastic athletes" would be transported to the Stars and Stripes gym in Independence Township for sixth period to have phys-ed/gymnastics class, for up to 10 out-of-district and five in-district

Administration is still exploring these ideas and sought feedback from the school board, March 23.

"We are projecting losing as many as 100 Please see Options on page 4



iTeam students planned a whole day of fun at Independence Oakland County Park on April 1. These morning students planned an Easter Egg Egg-Stravaganza. Afternoon students planned a Doggy Days Carnival. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Kids sharpen business skills with free fair

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston kids are getting some hands on business experience planning an Easter festival on April 1, and that's no joke.

"They will run every aspect of it," said Tom Neal, instructor for Oakland Technical Easter Egg-Stravaganza, featuring an Easter egg hunt, face painting, free food, crafts and music. Plastic eggs will be filled with candy for treasure seekers.

The iTeam afternoon students' Doggy Days Carnival offers free pizza and drinks, carnival games, and a rock climbing wall.

Activities are from 4:30-6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, at Independence Oaks County

Morning iTeam students are planning the Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road. The park charges a \$5 admission fee per vehicle, but activities are free.

> Both events were planned by students in the iTeam program - Information Technology, Entrepreneurship, Advanced Marketing. Oakland County Parks asked students to create activities to promote parks, Neal said.

"Oakland County Parks representatives Please see OTC on page 32

Property plan irks neighbors

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A subdivision plan in a wooded spot off Dixie Highway has residents worried.

Developer Michael Furnari plans to develop a 26-acre piece of land just south of I-75 on the east side of Dixie Highway at Deerhill Drive.

Homeowner Gary Gavulic knows property can be developed, but wants it to be developed into a "beautiful property."

"Would that beautiful neighborhood not be full of winding streets, that follow the natural ridges and valleys of the land, mature trees, play areas and community gathering spaces," Gavulic asked.

"Who will speak for the 100-year-old maple trees in Clarkston," asked resident Chelsea O'Brien.

Based out of Troy, Furnari of Fairview Building is planning to build 69 houses on the Independence Township property, at the border with Springfield Township.

Called at about 8:30 p.m., March 23, Furnari declined to comment.

"Call me during business hours," he

The next morning, he declined to speak on the record.

The plan for the development shows houses built close to Dixie Highway, extending north and south to the rear of existing homes on Deerhill Drive.

"Where in the plans are areas for playspace, recreation or room for existing woodlands or natural landscapes," Cyndi Coe asked.

Coe cited the township's Master Plan, which limits development on the parcel to Please see Development on page 3

Center Northwest's iTeam class. "It gives them hands on experience. After its over we will discuss what worked and did not work." MT PLEASANT MI 48859-0001 I 45 PARK CMU PRESERVATION MICROFILMING HISTORICAL CLARKE 0000 T/T/5050

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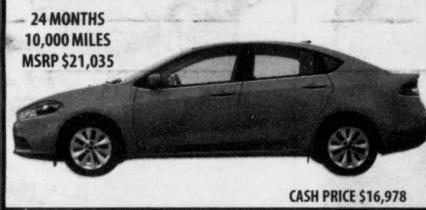
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Development concerns will be addressed, township says

Continued from page 1 60 homes.

Gavulic said the development plans "mimics the wall-to-wall density and mass cookie cutter subdivisions often found in many other communities, not in Clarkston," he said.

Residents said high-density development doesn't match the character of adjacent properties.

Another major problem was plans for sewage and drainage to be routed into Deer Lake Farms, with numerous wetlands, creeks and waters including Deer Lake.

The Planning Commission approved preliminary site plan in summer 2014, but denied the final site plan in December, citing lack of natural space, tree buffering, sewage, drainage, and utility easement space.

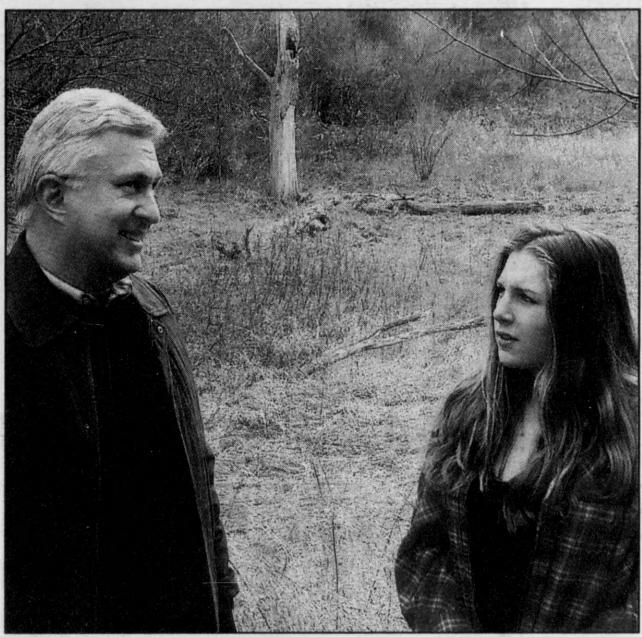
Township Supervisor Pat Kittle said newly submitted plans for the development are being reviewed by township planners and engineers.

"Plans were re-submitted to address concerns with the development," Kittle said. "Our planning consultants and engineering firm are reviewing them."

He assured residents township rules will be followed and concerns will be addressed.

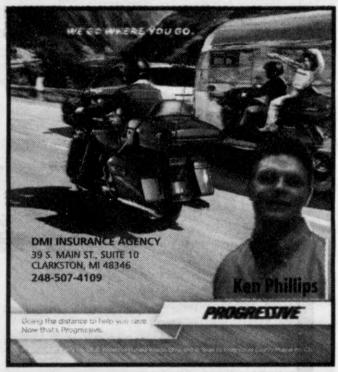
To move forward, the township Planning Commission must sign off on the plan, and the Board of Trustees must grant final approval.

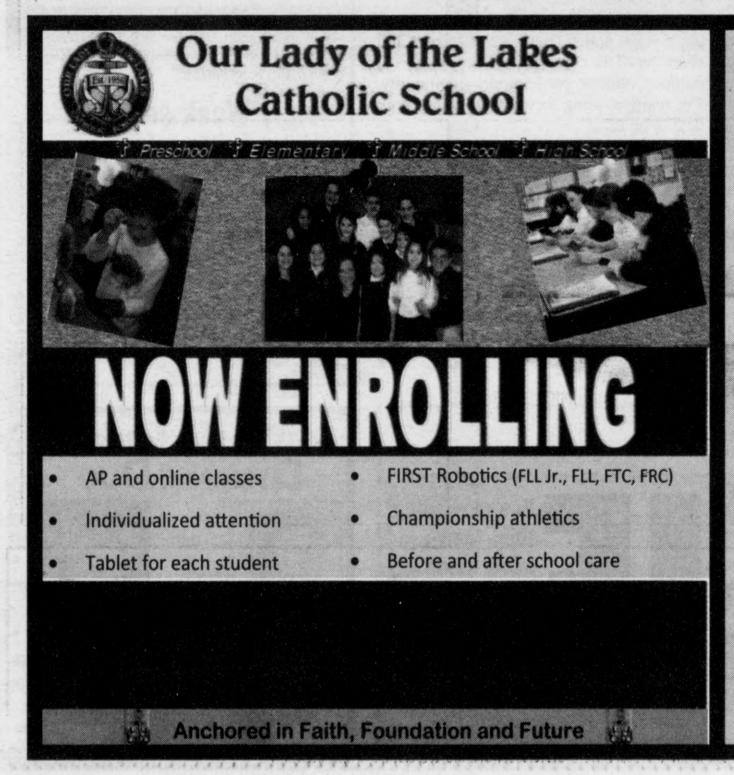
A Planning Commission meeting on the site plan was scheduled for April 9, but has been postponed to April 23.



Gary Gavulic and Kendall O'Brien discuss the proposed development by their neighborhood off Dixie Highway. *Photo provided*







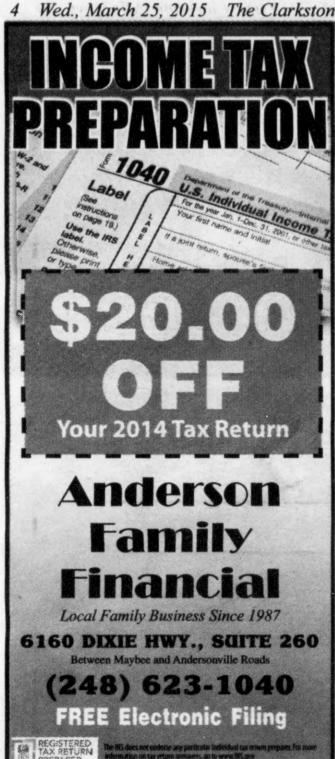
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Our Christ-centered faith is at the heart of our school. Our students participate in various works of charity from collecting canned goods to mailing items to support our troops. They have collected coats, hats, and mittens to help others as well as participate in our volunteer work at soup kitchens. Our elementary students continue learning and celebrating their virtues, which extends into their everyday living. The students of Our Lady of the Lakes are strengthened by their faith through their active community involvement and their weekly participation at Mass.

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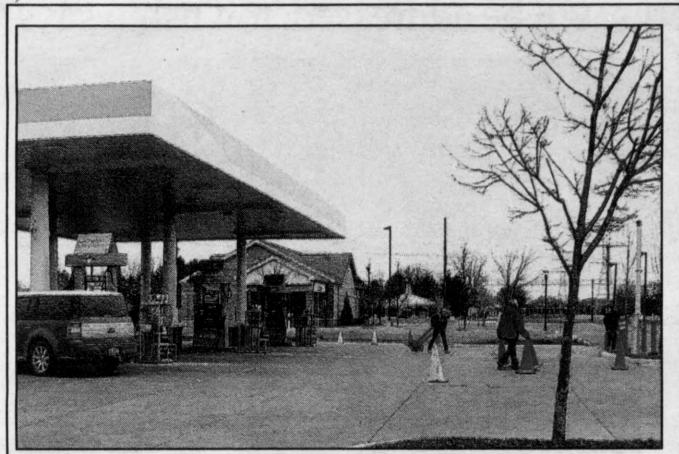
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LOST POWER: Kroger employees pick up cones to reopen their gas station on Sashabaw Road at Maybee, Monday. An equipment problem knocked out power to more than 3,000 DTE Energy customers along Sashabaw, Maybee Road and Dixie Highway, March 23. Power was restored by about 7 p.m. Photo by Phil Custodio

Options include Kindergarten, tech programs

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students next year, as many as 600 students over the next several years," said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock. "As superintendent, I want to do all I can to offset these potential losses."

Clarkston's funding from the state is \$7,190 per pupil.

Board members accepted exploration of all the proposals, but were skeptical about the Stars and Stripes idea.

"If it's OK for some athletes not to have to take phys. ed in Clarkston, why shouldn't it be OK for everybody not to take it – figure skaters, marching band, karate," asked board Vice President Susan Boatman.

Treasurer Joan Patterson said other businesses would wonder why they weren't included in the plan.

Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan said they could be if the pilot program works out.

"If it's successful and generates revenue,

it would be an opportunity for partnerships with any organization or sport," Ryan said.

Trustee Kelli Horst said the partnership is a good start.

"Deer Lake Athletic, Oakhurst, bring it on," Horst said. "They fit the culture and character of the community, a very involved, outdoor, athletic participatory community. I'm really looking forward to seeing more details on this."

Board members also favored the Reggio, play-based Kindergarten idea more than Tech K, as well as a year-round class schedule.

"Why not just year-round Kindergarten," asked Trustee Elizabeth Egan. "That would be an attractive option to parents."

Administration will continue to develop an open-enrollment proposal with input from the board and the survey, found at www.surveymonkey.com/s/HFJJ7MP, Rock

Briefly

Absentee voting

Absentee voting is open for the May 5 special election.

Voters will decide on Proposal 15-1, to amend the State Constitution to increase the sales/use tax from 6% to 7%, eliminate sales tax on gas, and increase gas tax and vehicle registration fees.

Clarkston Community Schools will also ask district residents to renew the Non-Homestead Millage for school operations for 2015-2024. The millage renewal would bring in about \$7.22 million for the district, about \$866 for each student enrolled. The proposal requests 19.2491 mills, which was approved by Clarkston voters in 2006.

April 6 is the last day to register for the election.

Farewell Open House

Springfield Township hosts a Farewell Open House in honor of Casey Reed, 3:30-5 p.m., Friday, March 27, at the Springfield Township Civic Center, Upper Level Conference Room, 12000 Davisburg Road.

Reed recently resigned from her 8 1/2 year position as recreation superintendent of Springfield Township Parks and Recreation and has accepted the position of director of Davison Township Parks and Recreation.

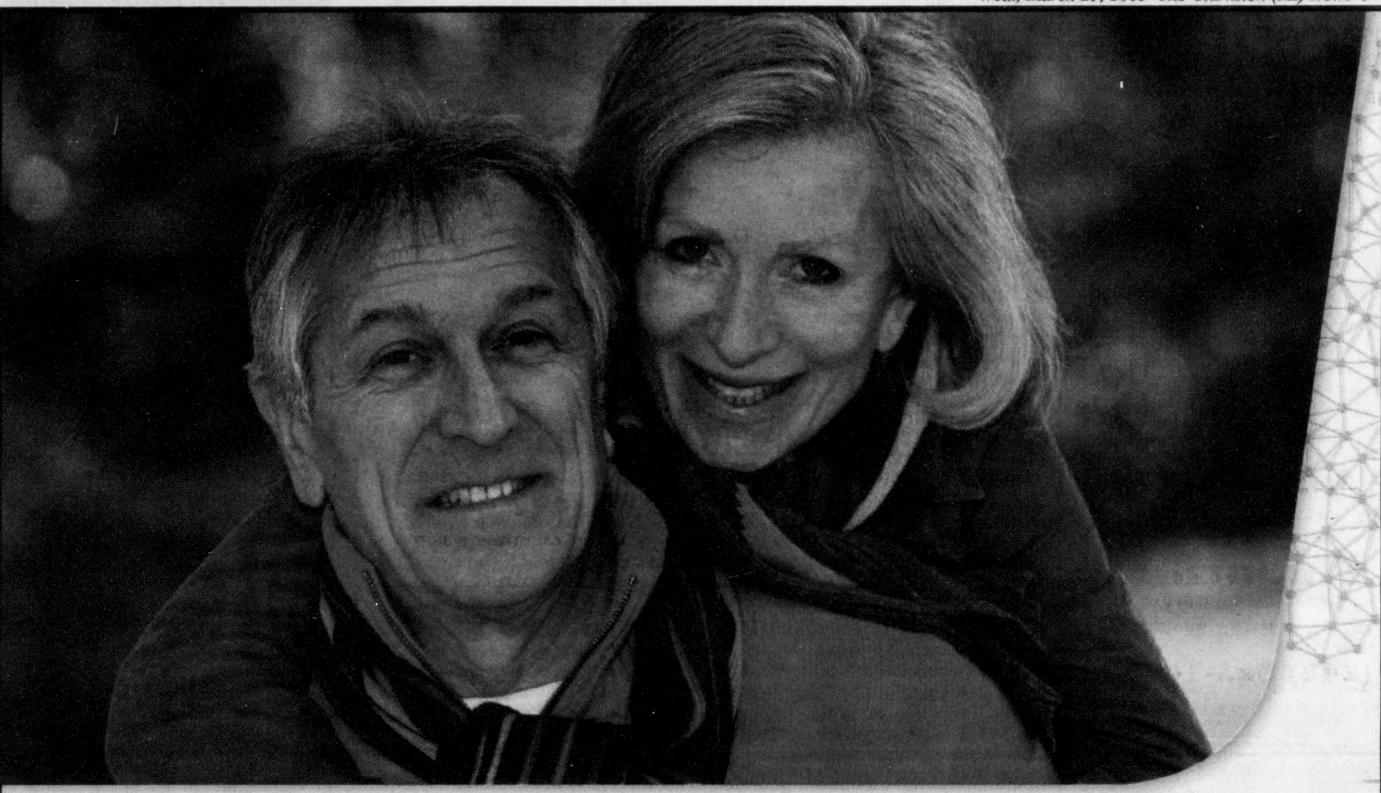
Holy Week services

Father Les Harding from the Episcopal Church of The Resurrection invites the community to Holy Week services, starting with Blessing of the Palms, March 29, at 10 a.m. Good Friday litergy starts at noon, April 3. The faithful will celebrate Easter Sunday morning, starting at 10.

The church is located at 6490 Clarkston Road. For more information call 248-625-2325







> Colorectal cancer: Are you at risk?

March is colorectal cancer awareness month. If you are 50 or older or have a family history of colorectal cancer, the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute recommend you be screened for signs of this potentially deadly disease.

McLaren Cancer Institute-Clarkston is providing free one-step, take-home colorectal cancer screening kits to those who qualify. This one-sample kit does not require any preparation or changes to diet or medications, making it easy and quick to complete. The painless test takes just a few minutes and can be performed in the privacy and convenience of your home. Individuals will be notified of their test results by letter or by phone.

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Spring into season

It's good to see people back outside on the sidewalks and safety paths, running, walking their dogs, biking, etc.

The junior and senior high school track kids are back out there. When they first showed up a couple weeks ago, I managed to pass a lot of them on my afternoon run. But they're already outpacing me.

It's been an interesting winter of

outdoor running. I wanted to avoid taking a couple months off, like I did last year.

In that I was successful, but I fell into culverts twice, when they were covered in the white stuff.

So I liked how the

snow just up and vanished over a couple days of above-freezing temperatures. Good riddance.

With no formal race events in the snow and ice, I expected a quiet season, just running in the cold to keep in shape.

Clarkston's Wolfpack running club threw that for a loop. They meet every Saturday morning at 8 a.m. no matter what. Sleeping in Saturday mornings is now mostly a thing of the past for me.

They also had that 50K Celebration earlier this month, which they trained for over most of the winter.

I joined them a couple times Saturday mornings at Indian Springs. They met even earlier for that, at 7 a.m. The park is very dark at that time of morning in February. The first time I ran with the group, I found them only because of the little lights they put on their hats and jackets.

Club members would talk about how they were training, but I was a bit confused since I looked all around the internet but could find no menton of a local 50K event. But anyway, my thought was, "oh, training for a 50K? How interesting! Good luck to you!"

I showed up at the event on March 7 expecting to show my support for the group by joining them for one, maybe two 10-mile circuits. I got caught up in the spirit, though. They had race bibs made up, each lettered for the event by hand. And also lots of cookies and snacks. I ended up sticking with them and finishing the whole 31-mile course.

Then they had an after-event celebration at Buckshots, with medals, cake, all kinds of stuff. They know how to do these things right:

A call to oppose public-notice bill

Dear Editor,

My wife and I vehemently oppose H.B. 4183 ("Public notice act up for vote," March 18). The costs associated with printing public notices vs. website upkeep hasn't been established fully for anyone to support a bill that provides government complete control of its public notices. Nor does this bill consider the 25 percent of the population who don't have internet in their homes.

We hope state Rep. Jim Tedder does not support this bill. Public notices in a public newspaper can't be changed after publication, and holds government accountable that those notices are as accurate as possible. When you compare that to a government run website where notices can be easily changed

at any time up until, and after, meetings is exactly why passing this bill is a danger to transparency printed notices give to citizens. As taxpayers we believe the cost is worth it!

From what we gather there are no rules in H.B. 4183 governing the time frame in which a public notice can be changed before or after a meeting; when public-meeting minutes must be posted to the website; and finally, it's illegal for any government to change a public notice after the website posting has occurred.

For these reasons and many more, we hope you don't support this infringement H.B.4183 would put on our right to know.

Michael and Lori Powell Independence Township

Proposal 1 plan corrupt, reader says

Dear Editor,

There used to be a difference between Dems and Repubs. The federal government takes in \$3-4 trillion and spends \$4-5 trillion each year. Now both want to have a say in spending so they can have power and live cushy lives. Big government only gets bigger. Each party is a cesspool of corruption. It's only a matter of the rate at which we go down the drain, not the direction we go.

A good example is the "plan" to fix our roads. If we vote "yes" in May: taxes go up by \$2 billion and during the first year, less will be spent to repair roads than currently since \$800 million will be used to retire debt. Because there were not enough Republican

votes willing to "compromise," Democrat votes were bought by increasing school spending, earned income tax credits and revenue sharing.

A mailer from "Safe Roads Yes" says "now is the time to fix the problem." Notice the "loose chunk of concrete" flew through the air over 10 years ago, in 2005! The committee is funded primarily by the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association and individual construction companies to the tune of \$3 million last report. I doubt they influenced any of our representatives.

Vote "no" on Proposal 1!

Rick Gutowski Clarkston

'No' to repealing ban on animal coloring

Dear Editor,

Every year around Easter time, we see pictures of baby chickens and other small animals dyed different colors. While they look really cute, the dyeing process can be stressful for them, and it's widely considered cruel. Thankfully, the sale of animals who have been dyed is currently illegal in our state.

But that could change if Representative Andrea LaFontaine succeeds in passing HB 4251, her bill that would repeal Michigan's law against selling dyed animals. I can't understand why anyone would want to make this practice legal; the only reason I can think

of is that the current law must be preventing someone somewhere from making a buck. I hope the legislature rejects HB 4251 if it comes up for a vote.

According to MDARD Animal Shelter Activity reports, in 2013 nearly 900 rabbits were surrendered to Michigan shelters and nearly 300 were not adopted.

Petfinder.com currently over 4,000 rabbits available near me in Clarkston, so personally I do not think we need to be "marketing" more rabbits.

Pam Sordyl Independence Township

Kudos for Independence S.O.C.K.S.

Dear Editor,

Hats off to the leadership of Chris Turner to nurture this great team at Independence Elementary - and to the teachers and parent volunteers who energize and channel all the energy of this elementary school community!

The S.O.C.K.S. (Serving our Community Kid Style) program on March 26, socksday.weebly.com, is a whole school initiative integrated with the curriculum. What an awesome way to mix the academic study

with the practical needs of life in our commu-

As a parent of a soldier serving in Afghanistan, it really does give me courage and hope for the future to be part of such a great community like Clarkston. Thanks again to Independence Elementary in whole, and to the 2nd grade class in particular for their support of our troops.

Mike Timm Independence Township

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 2000

"Auto carjacked from area gas station" A Clarkston woman was lucky after her 1998 Ford Taurus was returned to her after a man car-jacked it from the Amoco gas station off Sashabaw Road a week prior. Based on information and a composite sketch the Oakland County Sheriff's Department were able to make an arrest.

"Celebrating a milestone" Agnes DeNise knew Clarkston better than most people since she celebrated her birthday and being a resident for 90 years on March 14. She celebrated the special occasion with 80 friends and family with a party in her honor.

"Sashabaw Plains park eyed for improvements" Independence Township Parks and Recreation Director Ann Conklin was looking for volunteers with team spirit and sign up for a playscape build at Sashabaw Plains Park on Maybee Road.

25 years ago - 1990

"Election date set for cityhood" The question of cityhood for the Village of Clarkston could be voted as soon as May 14. The Michigan Boundary Commission received petitions with 67 signatures after village officials submitted the petitions for review.

"Board nixes plans for Davisburg church addition" Members of the Davisburg United Methodist Church would have to wait before construction could begin on an addition to the church. A motion to approve site plans for the church was defeated in a 3-4 vote by the Springfield Township Board.

"Wildlife artist's work featured in weekend show" Independence Township artist Russell Cobane described his tale from being a commercial artist to painting wildlife as he prepared for the 1990 Wildlife Art Show. He discovered the secret of bringing the realism of nature to the canvas but admitted it wasn't easy.

50 years ago - 1965

"Police crack down on ten juveniles"
An epidemic of trespassing and malicious destruction of property resulted in the arrest of ten juveniles. An abandoned property on Holcomb Road had become a gathering place for young residents, the Clarkston Village Police Chief stated.

"Local news" Susan Guekes celebrated her fifth birthday with eight friends with cake and ice cream after playing games.

"Road upkeep costs to rise" State highway costs would began to rise three percent per year until 1975, warned the State Highway Department.

Listening well sadly a lost art for most

Our guest speaker at Oxford Rotary Club recently was one of the best I've ever heard.

Dinah Brinson's message was primarily about listening: "We have been given two ears and but a single mouth in order that we may hear more and talk less."

However, she had her speech down so perfectly, and so interestingly that I had no time to make notes for my Jottings column.

Thankfully, she gave us all a handout to read later -- a little of that will appear below. What she said first was, "half of what is heard in a speech is forgotten IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING the speech."

Within 48 hours your comprehension level is 25% or less. (Lesson for students?)

She said, "You would think we would have training throughout our lives on the art of listening well."

Jim's **Jottings**



a column by Jim Sherman

I believe President Obama uses so many hesitations in his speeches, believing that gives his listeners extra time to absorb whatever message he's delivering.

Sometimes I think my friends know what I like, or should like, better than I do. Such a person is long-time friend Helen

Smith.

Nobody else has sent me an easy and

fast reading of Thomas Jefferson's life. This is not a long story of our third president of the United States.

At 5, he began studying under his cousin's tutor. At 9, studied Latin, Greek and French. At 14, studied classical literature and additional languages.

At 16, at William and Mary College, he could write Greek with one hand while writing the same in Latin with the other. At 19, he started studying law. At 23, he started his own practice.

At 25, he was elected to a state office; at 31 he wrote a book and retired from his law practice. At 32, he was a delegate to the Second Continental Congress.

At 33, he wrote the Declaration of Independence. At 36, he was elected the second Governor of Virginia succeeding Patrick Henry.

Then he served in Congress for 2 years; at 46, he served as the first Secretary of State under George Washing-

At 55, he drafted the Kentucky Resolutions and became the active head of the Republican Party. At 60, obtained the Louisiana Purchase, doubling the nation's

He died at age 83.

Headlines gleaned by Mrs. CGS

- · Bridges helps people cross bridges.
- · City unsure why the sewer smells.
- · Hospitals resort to hiring doctors.
- · Republicans turned off by size of Obama package.

The saga of yoga pants and your daughter

Every once in a while, even a highly skilled, trained and veteran column writer like me thinks, "Rut-ro, Raggy. What am I gonna' write about now?"

Aside from the easy, Scooby Doo reference, life isn't a cartoon. Those darned kids aren't always to blame and things rarely go as scripted like on TV.

So, sometimes I draw a blank. Rush Me And when that happens, I start going through my list of column idea starters . . .

Weather (it's at least sunny). Politics (nobody's happy).

Seasonally (missed St. Patrick's Day and Easter is still a little way off).

Kids . . . kids . . . yes, those A column by darned kids! I can write about kids, Don Rush not mine, mind you, though some readers are always asking about young masters Shamus and Sean Rush.

If you must know, they are not so young and cute anymore. At 17 and 15, they're kinda' stinky. Oh, they're smart and funny and kind and goodlooking . . . but they sweat a lot more than they did when they were young and cute.

No, I may be talking (writing) about your kids. Your kids if they are daughters and if you let your daughters over the age of 10 wear yoga pants. They may be comfortable as all get out, but aside from wearing them at the gym or around the house, they are kinda' inappropriate.

I know, I know.

Some of you are working yourselves up into a whirling dervish of outlandish rage.

Let me try and vent your growing negative emotions about me before those feelings overcome you: I am not a creepy old guy on the prowl for cheap thrills.

I have watched the growing popularity of yoga pants over the past two or three years. More and more high school-age girls walk down Main Street wearing those tight, stretchy pull-up stocking-like pants than ever be-

On a recent Saturday, I helped out the Destination Imagination folks at Waterford Mott High School. Destination Imagination encourages kids from kindergarten through high school to be creative and think "outside the box" to solve problems.

Teams of kids from area schools then compete against one another. It was fun. It was long (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). It was entertaining and it was educational. It seemed like there were a million kids and their parents there.

Yet, I was shocked by the number of teenaged girls of all shapes and sizes running around in yoga pants. You can only turn your head away and look at the ceiling while walking down the hallway for so long before you run into somebody or a wall. And if you are looking in front of you, it looks like you're checking out whoever is in front of you.

Moms, Dads . . . yes, I am talking to you both . . . you know yoga pants put on display for the entire world to see, the shape and every contour of your daughter's undercarriage -- front and back -- don't

I know this is America and folks should be able to

wear what they want. They should be able to wear what makes them feel good.

I don't want to shut down anybody's personality, creativity or individuality. And, I do not want to "push" any sort of Puritan morality.

I believe women, young and old, should be able to wear what they chose without fear of being leered at, ogled or victimized.

That said, young women are "sexualized" enough beginning at a young age in commercials, movies, TV shows and print ads all telling them what and who they should be.

Form-fitting yoga pants only exacerbates the issue. Would you want your daughters to wear the same type of stuff on their tops?

Imagine if the breast-revealing equivalent of yoga pants for tops ever came into fashion. (I should probably check out the Paris, New York and LA fashion magazines to make sure it isn't a style coming down the pike.)

I talked to one local mom, who is by no means a prude, and her comment was something like this, "The only person I want to see my daughter's (blankity blank) is no one."

This mom is a rather open-minded and progressive woman but, she is still a mom. She gave me this fashion tip to pass onto you: Young ladies, wear a skirt or dress over the yoga pants -- if only to keep the creepy old guys at bay.

Okay. There. I got it out. I wrote a column when I had no idea what to write about. I made my point, drew proverbial my line in the sand. What are your thoughts? Email your ideas, concerns and thoughts to me, Don@ShermanPublications.org.

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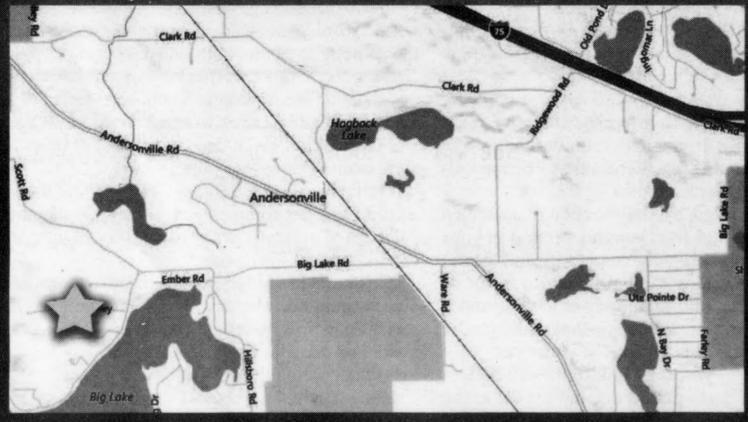


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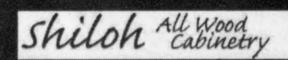
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IRS scam

An Independence Township couple received a letter from the IRS on March 3, requesting more information regarding their joint tax return. They had not filed a tax return yet. They contacted the IRS and were told to file a police report for fraud.

Passed out on porch

A resident in the 4000 block of Pine Knob Lane found his 26-year-old son passed out on his front porch, 11:36 p.m., March 7. The son said he had been drinking all night with a neighbor. With a preliminary breath test result of .345, he was taken to McLaren Oakland for treatment.

Scam avoided

An Independence Township resident received a call from a man calling himself "Alex Raymond," March 9. The caller said he was from the IRS and needed the resident to send him \$850 in back taxes. She knew it was a scam and didn't send any money. A deputy called the number but it went to voice mail.

Theft from vehicle

An iPod, charger, and case were taken from a vehicle parked overnight unlocked on Wintergreen Circle, March 10.

Smoke from roof

Independence Township firefighters put out a house fire in the 5000 block of Oak Park Drive, 9:23 a.m., March 11, after a witness called to report smoke coming from the roof.

Careless driving

A 16-year-old Springfield Township boy was cited for careless driving for doing donuts in a grass parking lot in the 7000 block of Sashabaw Road, 7:11 p.m., March 13. He said he did not intend to cause damage. His father offered to have him fix it.

Smash and grab

A restaurant customer in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway heard a loud bang in the parking lot and saw a person wearing all black running away, 9:36 p.m., March 14. An employee found her SUV had its front passenger side window smashed, and her purse was gone.

Tax service swindle

A 67-year-old Independence Township man called a tax resolution expert from a TV ad and was convinced to sign over power of attorney, March 17. He paid \$2,000 but didn't receive the services agreed upon.

Hit and run

Deputies were dispatched to an address in the 6900 block of Tuson Blvd on hit-and-run crash, 3:03 a.m., March 22. A vehicle had been speeding through the parking lot, struck a 21year-old Independence Township man, then fled south on Andersonville Road. Investigation showed the vehicle, a black 2008 Pontiac G5, was taken without permission and the driver intentionally hit the victim while fleeing the area. Victims were treated by Independence Township paramedics. Deputies were looking for a 21-year-old Waterford Township man in connection with the incident.

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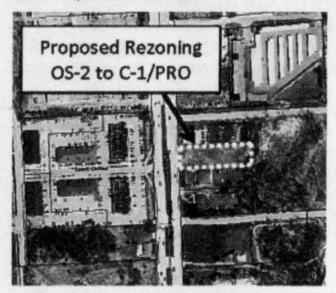
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE 2015-001

At a Regular meeting of the Township Board held on March 17, 2015, the Township Board of Trustees approved the second reading and adopted a rezoning request with a Planned Rezoning Overlay from OS-2 (Office Service Two) to C-1 (Local Commercial); Parcel #08-27-201-020 located on the east side of Sashabaw Road, north of Bow Pointe for a drive-thru restaurant. Received from petitioner Versa Development; 25900 West 11 Mile Road, Suite 250 Southfield, MI 48034 as follows:



The motion to approve this rezoning was ratified and moved by Trustee Ritchie; Seconded by Trustee Aliaga; the vote on the motion was as follows: Yes: 6; Absent: 1; No: 0. The motion carried.

The ordinance amendment is effective immediately upon publication.

Published: March 25, 2015

Barbara A. Pallotta Township Clerk



Sporting News

Who is the next AOW?

Nominate your favorite athlete by contacting Wendi at 248-625-3370 or at clarkstonnews@gmail.com

Wolves join Elite Eight

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Freshman Foster Loyer and junior Tabin Throgmorton focused in on the basketball net before they took their turns practicing 3-point shots at the Clarkston High School gym last Friday.

Both were getting ready for the MHSAA Boys Basketball Quarterfinals against University of Detroit - Jesuit on Tuesday.

It is the first visit back to the quarterfinals since 2009 and the boys visited the final four the same year.

As Dan Fife, long-time head coach for Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball, watched the the guards hit their shots he noted this season's Wolves' strength going into the playoff game.

"Our strength is our competitiveness," he said without hesistation. "The kids compete."

Fife added it is the competitiveness in the boys which have led them to their 24-0 record.

"Maybe it's like me," he smiled. "When I am playing cards with my daughter-in-laws, I want to beat them. Competitors have a hard time losing at anything and we have a lot of kids like that – they don't like losing."

The Wolves will use their competitive edge against the Cubs.

"They are very, very good," Fife said before going into the game. He added they have two transfers from Nigeria and one of the top point guards in the state.

"Anytime you have a great guard you have a great chance of being good and he is a good player. They have had a very successful year. it will be a challenge. At this point of the year it is supposed to be a challenge. It is suppose to be a great game with great mindsets."

The Wolves joined the Elite Eight when for updates on the Wolves.

they defeated Macomb Dakota in the MHSAA Regional finals, 63-58.

"It was really a game of what high school basketball is all about," said Fife. "Both teams competing at a high level with great crowds and great noise. It was a great experience for anyone who was there to watch the game because every basket was a struggle. The fact we were up ten, then down one, and we stayed with it. We didn't lose our poise and able to pull it out. It was a great character win for our kids because we could have easily folded when they came back and scored again. It was a good win for Clarkston Basketball."

Foster led the team with 35 points during the win. Senior Andrew Myers had 12 points during the game.

The Wolves held the lead at the end of the first half by three points, 29-26, and were still holding with a 42-41 lead at the end of the third quarter.

They scored five points in the first minute of the final quarter and the Cougars came back and took the lead with two minutes remaining in the game 53-51.

Myers scored two points to tie the score. Foster was next to help the boys push the Cougars further back in the score.

Fife added it said a lot about the boys being able to win with the pressure from the regionals.

"Anytime you have a great guard you we a great chance of being good and he is "Not a lot of kids have been to that," he said. "They may have played a high competitive level but not with the noise and all of the things that went into that game."

Tuesday's winner moved on to the semifinals on Friday the Breslin Center in East Lansing, 2:50 p.m. The finals are held on Saturday at 12 p.m.

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Tabin Throgmorton dodges under defense. Photo by Larry Wright

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK Born to run

Clarkston resident Bo Anderson finished in top places during the AAU 14 & Under Youth National Indoor Track and Field Championships with the Waza Track Club, March 7-8.

Anderson, a sixth grader from Sashabaw Middle School, competed in the boys 12 and under division and ran the 1,600 - meter, 800 -meter, and 3,000-meter races.

He finished third in the nation in the 1,600 meter run, setting a personal best time of 5:56.21, and finishing behind the national champion, Michael Delprete from Ohio, who won the race in a time of 5:29.02.

His parents, Kathy and Mike Anderson, added his best race of the weekend was the 800-meter run.

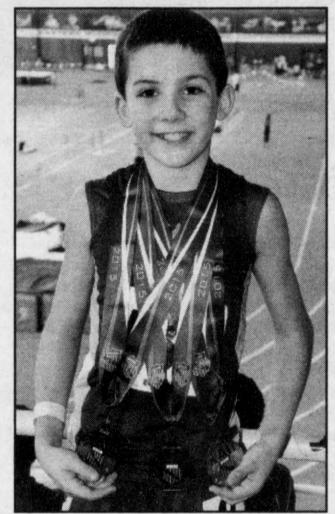
"It was incredible to watch him compete and fight for every second in the 800-meter," she said. "He dropped an amazing eight seconds off his best indoor time in this race from his performance three weeks ago. He was racing against kids much bigger and taller than he is, but he used the turns to his advantage and just kept passing people."

Bo finished fifth in the nation in the during the event. He finished with a personal best indoor 8000-meter time of 2:40.91.

"He was really proud of what he was able to do in that race," Kathy said, adding the indoor track is a 200-meter oval, which is different than the 400-meter oval used for outdoor competition.

"This means more laps and more turns for each race when you compare to outdoor races," she added. "Bo enjoys this format for indoor track, which sometimes makes it easier for him to keep an eye on his competition during the event."

He finished third in the 1,600-meter event. He finished second in the 3,000-meter event behind a runner from New Hampshire. It was the first time he competed in the 3,000-meter run and he



Anderson

finished with a time of 11:54.7.

The national competition was held in Bowen Field House at Eastern Michigan University.

It was the first time the AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) offered a national competition in indoor track and field for 14 and under youth competitors.

Bo competes with Waza Track Club since 2012 in outdoor track and field, indoor track and field, and cross country.

He has qualified to compete in USATF and AAU National Junior Olympic events, and he has traveled to competitions in Kansas, Texas, Ohio, and Iowa

He also runs cross country and ran for his school this past fall.

"Bo loves the sport, and he can't wait to run with his friends for his school in seventh grade," said Kathy.



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Rockets finish Little Caesar Amateur Hockey League Playoffs undefeated. Photo submitted

Rockets fuel up during championship

The Rockets went undefeated during the Little Caesar Amateur Hockey League Playoffs. The excitement of the success during the playoffs carried through to the end especially after beating Trenton in the championship game on March 8, 4-3.

The Rockets are a Pee Wee hockey team based out of Lakeland Arena in Waterford. They are 11- and 12-year-old players and includes 14 boys and two girls from the Clarkston, Waterford and White Lake areas.

Team members include Brady Arens, Cole Auterman, Anderson Carlson, Anna Castle, Alyssa Exline, Joey Fritzam, Jake Jackson, Marcus Lossia, Brennan McLean, Luke Miller, Jacob Minch, Max Nequist, Chris Pryor, Damon Reed, Matt Smith and Dominic Violassi. Carlson, Exline, McLean, Miller, Pryor and Smith are Clarkston Community School students.

The head coach is Cary Exline from Clarkston, and assistant coaches are Jason Sugden, Jon Miller and Tim Pryor.

The team is celebrating their championship win at an upcoming Detroit Tigers baseball home game where they will be honored on the field prior to the game.



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Longtime coach leaves lasting legacy on, off the ice

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

For 17 years, Bryan Krygier put his legacy on the Clarkston Hockey Program as head coach.

He stepped out of the locker room for the last post-game talk of the season on March 3 leaving his legacy with the Wolves as he finished his last season coaching Clarkston.

Krygier was a junior varsity coach for Cranbrook in 1997 when a job was opening the following summer for a head coach with the Clarkston Hockey program.

He interviewed with Clarkston Athletic Director Dan Fife and was offered the position.

"I took it and the time flew by," Krygier reflected. "It goes by in a blink. I was very appreciative of Dan for the leadership and him providing me the opportunity to be part of the Clarkston community and program. A lot of coaches are usually internal as teachers. I was appreciative he gave me the opportunity even though I wasn't a teacher at the school. I thank Dan, the administration and the boosters who supported us and helped us tremendously throughout the 17 years and personally helped me get through those 17 years. I appreciate their efforts and their support."

He added the support from the parents, administration, athletic department and Fife helped through the good times, bad times, and in between those times.

"The support of the administration from the superintendent to the principals, assistant principals and a lot of the coaches who showed up at the Clarkston hockey games and supported us on and off of the ice and in the weight room was amazing," Krygier said. "That is what keeps a coach going is the support of others around you. If you have a bad time, they will keep you going. When you have

good times, they rejoice with you. It is the way it should and that's the way it's meant to be."

Krygier added without his coaching staff he wouldn't have been able to make it 17 years especially his assistant coaches Ralph Humphlett and his dad, Roman

Krygier.

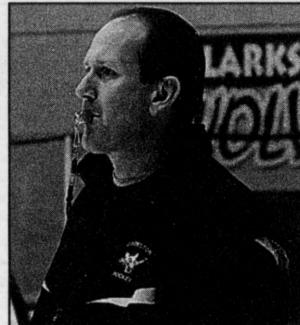
"There are things that just happen during the course of that time which is a long stretch and period of time," Bryan noted. "Ralph, he lives in Livonia but he traveled here and was very dedicated. He stabilized our program. He kept everything in check and he was a huge help to me personally which was very important."

Bryan added coaching with his father was also a good experience.

"There aren't too many coaches, if any, at the high school level who get to coach with their father," he said. "He is the one who taught me how to play hockey and he coached me growing up before I went to the higher levels. He

has a lot of wisdom, he supported me, and he made sure things were taken care of with the team on and off the ice. If I needed anything he was there to help and I definitely appreciate that special bond and what we were able to do together for the last 17 years."

He won 240 games and the Wolves went to the MHSAA Regional finals five times and won four of the finals. The wins sent them to the quarterfinals, which they won twice sending them to the semifinals.



Bryan Krygier

sure won it five times.

Clarkston also won eight league championships in the Oakland Athletic Association.

Detroit Catholic Central.

They went to the state finals once at Compuware Arena

The Wolves beat East Kentwood during the semifinals,

"We had never been to the

quarterfinals or semifinals before so we

ended up getting into the semifinals versus East Kentwood," he said. "It was

enjoyable getting to the finals as a coach

and seeing the players improve on what

you practice, see them execute in the

game and having the kids enjoy playing

in front of 5,000 fans including friends

and family in front of a sold out arena. It

was very exciting and very memorable

experience for the players and myself."

The Wolves lost in the finals against

Some of his other favorite memories

include the tournaments. The Wolves

traveled to Alpena for seven years for

their annual Christmas tournament and

which Bryan said was one of his favorite moments in 2003.

which Bryan added was a huge accomplishment for the

program.

"There are things in interleague play to show we were the best team in the OAA," Bryan said. "We were ranked top ten in the state for a good 14 out of 17 years - that's a pretty good accomplishment."

He added through the years it wasn't about the wins, the players' and coaches' accolades, but time with the team.

"I really enjoyed being on the ice with the guys and teaching them the game of hockey," he said. "In doing so translating it to life and teaching them life lessons, and what they can bring from playing a sport into the classroom. Also, what they can bring from Clarkston hockey to their job—that's hard work, discipline and being focused on what you are doing and what's in front of you."

Bryan added the players also had an effect on him.

"You come into a program like Clarkston and you change the program," Bryan said. "What you begin to realize is the players end up helping and changing you as well as a person. I thank the players for helping me. I know I helped them achieve a lot of their goals. You become changed as a coach after you have been here and encountered so many kids and so many personalities. You become changed yourself for the better by the game and the players you got to be with for that amount of time."

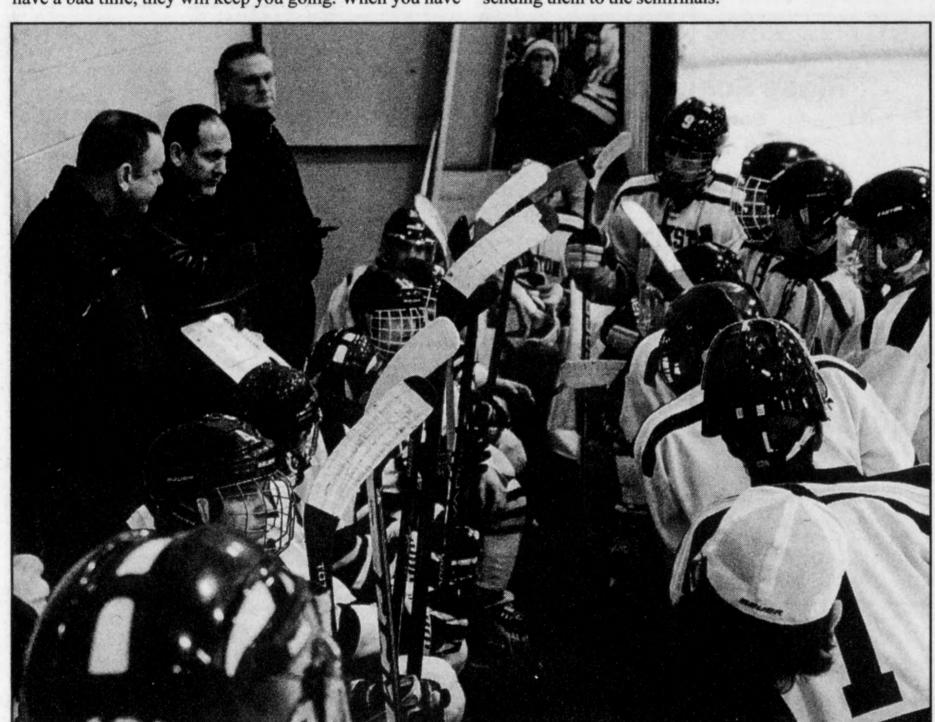
Next for Bryan is spending more time with family.

"I am going to be taking a step back and I have some family commitments and my daughter plays USTA (United States Tennis Association) and in the tournaments and she is ranked in the Midwest," he said, adding he want to spending time each day to help her improve her game.

Bryan has been around hockey for his entire life and plans to still be around the sport one way or another.

He played at University of Connecticut where he leads with most points with 219 points from 1988-1992 with 92 goals and 127 assists. He also leads with most assists, single season record points and most hat tricks with his brother, Todd, as they both finished with seven.

Bryan also leaves his legacy on the state of Michigan - he and Todd, were instrumental in forming the Michigan Public High School Hockey Showcase and the Michigan Elite team. He was also inducted into the Michigan High School Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame, March 22.



Bryan Krygier gives the team pointers during a time out. Photos provided by Joanne Gentile



Spring sports swing into action

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The spring season kicks into gear this week as many sports team head into their first set of games.

"It looks good," said Brian Kaminskas, head coach for Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse. "It's the early part of the season which is always fun. There are some things we need to get into place before we start but I am pretty confident with it."

The Wolves opened the season on Tuesday against Grosse Pointe South and host Hartland on Thursday at 7 p.m.

"They are two good teams based on their ratings from last year and their traditions," Kaminskas added. "It should be some good early tests but they are tests we should be able to pass."

The boys host Forest Hill on Saturday with JV beginning at 12 p.m. and varsity following. They have one more home game before spring break when they host Detroit Catholic Central next Wednesday. JV begins at 5:30 p.m. and varsity follows.

The Lady Wolves Varsity Lacrosse tam opens their season against Swartz Creek at 7 p.m. on Wednesday at Clarkston High

Kickers also started their season on Tuesday with an away game at Oxford and are also on the road this Thursday at Birmingham Groves.

head coach for Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer. "It will be nice considering we are already playing outside and had a full week of practice with the weather."

He added the Lady Wildcats look to be as good as they were last year.

The Lady Wolves are returning 13 players with ten of them being seniors and have eight new players.

"We have a really experienced team," Nelson said, adding the seniors help with leadership.

"Most of them have been on varsity for three years," he noted. "They understand the expectations and they want to be one of the first teams in Clarkston soccer to win districts. They have that desire to do well and show the underclassmen how to contribute to it."

The girls host Bloomfield Hills next Tuesday and head to Lake Orion next Wednesday. JV begins at 5:30 p.m., varsity follows.

Softball begins on Monday as they host Davison and play Brandon on Wednesday with both games at 4:30 p.m.

"I am very confident and I am very excited for this group of kids," said Don Peters, head coach for Clarkston Varsity Softball. "We had a scrimmage the other day and had back-to-back home runs. It was fun."

Look for the Spring Sports Preview in an upcoming edition of The Clarkston News "It should be good," said Mike Nelson, with more about the 2015 season.

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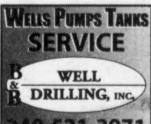
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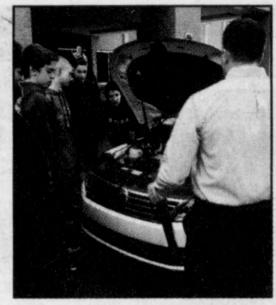
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Students meet Deputy Craig Pesko, Oakland County Sheriff K-9 unit. Photos provided



A group of future doctors attended a session with Dr. Mike Nicholson, private practice physician.



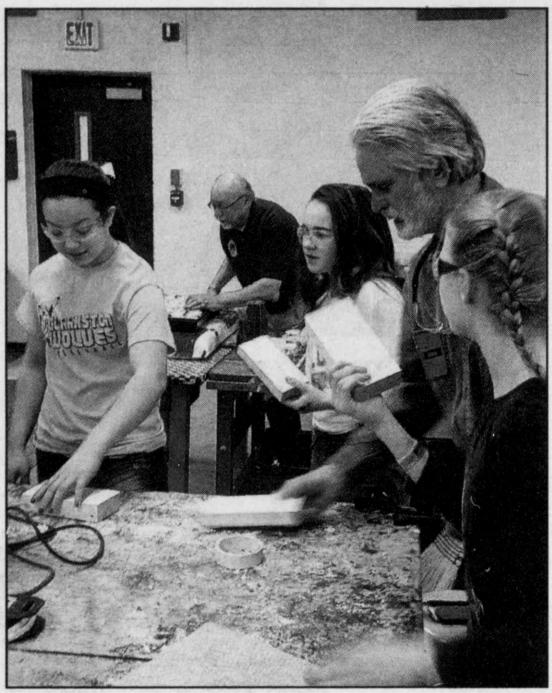
Andy Lietz of LaFontaine Motors shares some auto info.

Career day

Sevenths graders at Sashabaw Middle School were introduced to more than 30 career possibililities at Career Day, March 10.

Students heard from parents, grandparents, local business owners and community leaders, who spent the morning at SMS sharing information about their careers and professions.

Guests included architects, automotive technicians, restaurant owners, a federal probation officer and an entomologist. Career Day is sponsored by the SMS PTA.



Duane Olds, construction technology instructor at Oakland Technical Campus, demonstrates woodworking skills.

Hearing loss affects the whole family

The consequences of hearing loss are much more debilitating than many realize.

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Laura Salome, Doctor of Audiology

department are there to improve a person's ability to perceive sound and their quality of life.

"When family members have difficulty hearing, it affects the whole family," said Laura Salome, Doctor of Audiology. "People begin to withdraw from church, clubs, card games and other activities when it becomes difficult to hear what's happening around them."

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The CME Hearing Services center, provides Salome explained, comprehensive hearing care, including complete diagnostic hearing evaluations, education and counseling.

"We're putting a focus on education right now," she said, noting free community seminars with guest speakers would have waited before." are scheduled periodically. "We'll discuss, for example, about the many ways hearing loss can affect quality of life, or about the new technology available."

Dr. Salome earned her Bachelor's degree in 2003, her Master's degree in 2005 and joined Crittenton Medical Equipment in 2007. In 2008, she received her Clinical Doctor of Audiology degree from Salus University. She is a member of the American Academy of Audiology and is licensed by the State of Michigan.

Her extensive education, Dr. Salome p.m. said, gives her a thorough understanding of all issues related to hearing, and hearing loss. With that understanding, she noted, comes the knowledge that each patient requires individualized care depending on his or her lifestyle and communication needs.

"Hearing aid technology is becoming Michigan retirees. more and more advanced," Dr. Salome said. She now has the ability to pair technology. "The stigma of hearing loss is starting to disappear. With the small and nearly invisible hearing aids available our Lake Orion office at 248-693-5384 now, we're seeing a lot of people who or our Rochester office at 248-650-4560.

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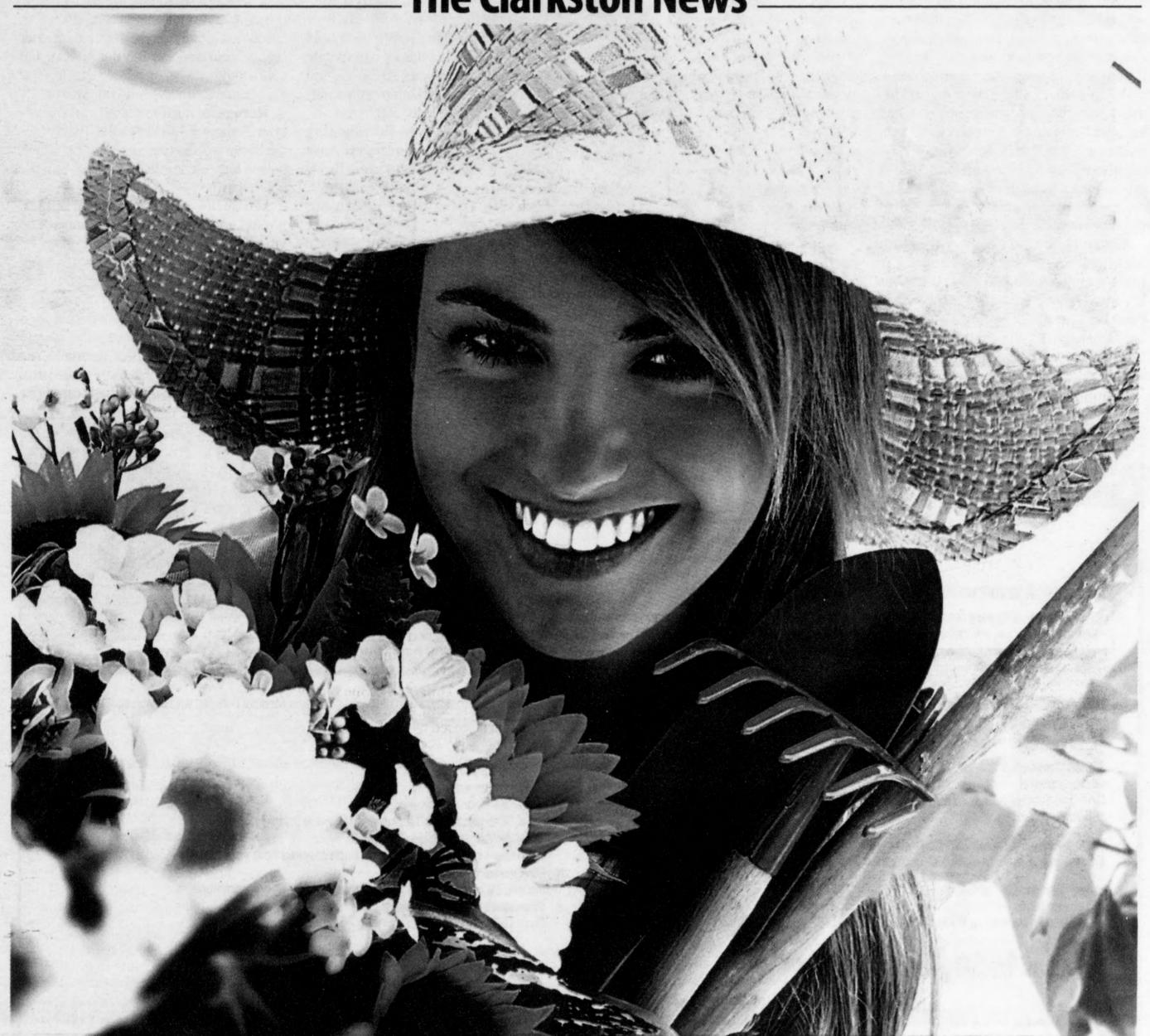
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Stop colds before they start

often accompany the common cold can leave sufferers feeling miserable for a week or more. Cold season seems to kick into high gear when the temperatures drop, but this can be the year you don't come down with a case of the sniffles. The following cold prevention tips can increase your chances of making it to spring without losing any days or sleep to the common cold.

Keep kids clean. School-aged kids tend to carry home lots of germs, so when kids get home after a long day at school, make sure they wash their hands thoroughly and change into fresh outfits. Such precautionary measures can keep colds and other illnesses from running rampant through your house.

Go outdoors and get some fresh air. It's a myth cold air will bring on a cold. In reality, being outside instead of congregating indoors with other sick people may decrease your risk of getting a cold. Don't be afraid to go outside when the temperatures drop for fear of getting sick. Fresh air and exercise can be good for you.

Drink plenty of fluids. Keeping your body hydrated will help flush toxins out of

The stuffy nose, aches and pains that your body, strengthening your immune system and making it more capable of fending off colds.

> Keep your distance. Did you know the cold virus can be shot up to three feet away when someone sneezes? The virus travels on the small droplets of saliva and mucus that get propelled from the nose and mouth of a sick individual. If you know someone is sick, stay as far away as possible and wash your hands frequently, paying special attention to your fingertips.

Wipe down surfaces. The cold virus can live on surfaces for up to 24 hours. A sick person can easily transfer a vi-

ers. Use disinfecting wipes or warm, soapy water to clean off doorknobs, telephones, light switches, cabinet handles, and anything frequently touched

> around a home or business. Let it out gently. Blowing your nose forcefully or pinching your nose to hold back sneezes can irritate nasal passageways and make them more vulnerable to infection.

> > Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. If you are well, keep your hands away from your mouth, nose and eyes. Viruses are especially good at entering the body through the mucus mem-

rus by touching a computer keyboard or branes located in these areas of the body. remote control he or she shares with oth- A combination of frequent handwashing

and avoiding touching your face can keep colds at bay.

Maintain your exercise routine. Regular exercise can boost the body's immune system and help it to fend off foreign invaders, including the cold virus. A recent study found that taking vitamin C in addition to daily exercise can reduce your risk of cold and cut the duration of the cold should you get one. Before taking any supplements, speak with your doctor

Recognize antibiotics are not the answer. Antibiotics are only effective at treating bacterial infections, not viruses, which means they are ineffective at fighting the cold virus.

If you do get sick, play it smart. Should you succumb to a cold in spite of your best efforts, steer clear of others so you are not spreading the virus. Rest and fuel your body with healthy foods and beverages.

There's no need to visit a doctor for a cold unless you have a fever after several days of being sick. Colds normally last between seven and 10 days. If your symptoms do not improve or if they seem to be worsening, visit your doctor.



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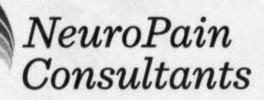
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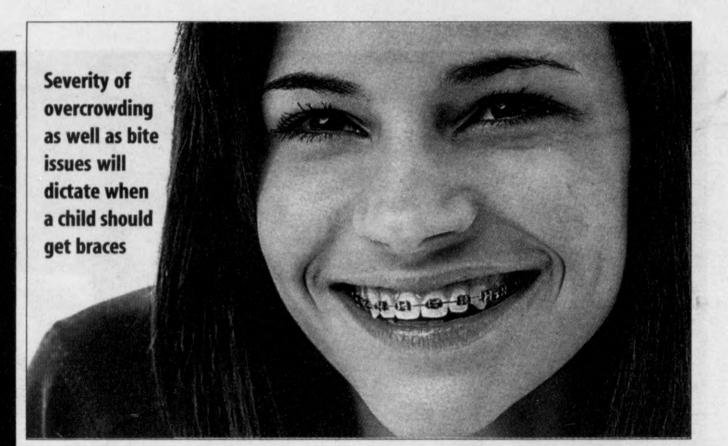
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What is the right age for braces?

Braces can be crucial to the future of one's oral health and prevent serious issues down the line.

Roughly 25 percent of the people in North America who get braces are adults. But braces still are geared toward young people and getting them on the road to straight and properly aligned teeth early on.

Braces correct a number of problems, including realigning the jaw and alleviating overcrowding of teeth. Crooked teeth can trap food and debris between them, making it harder to floss and brush. Wearing braces also corrects the bite. If teeth or jaws are not aligned correctly, it can lead to difficulty chewing food or create jaw muscle pain. Braces also may boost self-confidence because they can remedy appearance issues that may prove embarrassing.

Parents eager to get their children on the road to straighter teeth may wonder when is the right time to get their kids braces. Many kids are getting braces earlier and earlier, but when to get braces typically depends on the child and the shape of his or her teeth.

The American Association of Orthodontics recommends children see an orthodontist for an evaluation by age seven. The best time for braces will be when the orthodontist and parents collectively decide it's time.

Some orthodontists prefer a two-stage approach to orthodontic treatment. They may use a dental appliance or a prelimi-

nary amount of braces to begin moving the teeth while a child still has most of his primary teeth. The second stage begins when all the permanent teeth are in. The thought is to shorten the overall duration of treatment.

Other orthodontists follow the traditional approach of putting on braces once all the primary teeth have fallen out. This occurs between ages nine and 14. This is often a less expensive approach because braces need only be applied and removed once.

A number of studies have shown for common problems alleviated with orthodontic work, youngsters are better off waiting until all of their permanent teeth have come in. Antonio Secchi, a professor of orthodontics at the University of Pennsylvania, said if parents choose to treat crooked teeth too early, the child may need another phase of intervention a few years down the road.

Some problems, like crossbites, overbites or severe overcrowding, warrant early intervention. Scheduling an orthodontic visit early on means children can get the care they need when they need it. The orthodontist will be able to monitor how teeth are growing in and map out the best treatment plan for all.

Braces can help fix an imperfect smile and alleviate oral health concerns. Parents should speak to a dentist or make an appointment with an orthodontist to evaluate their children's treatment needs.

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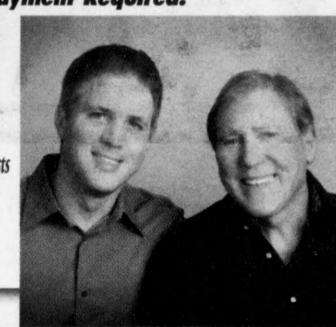
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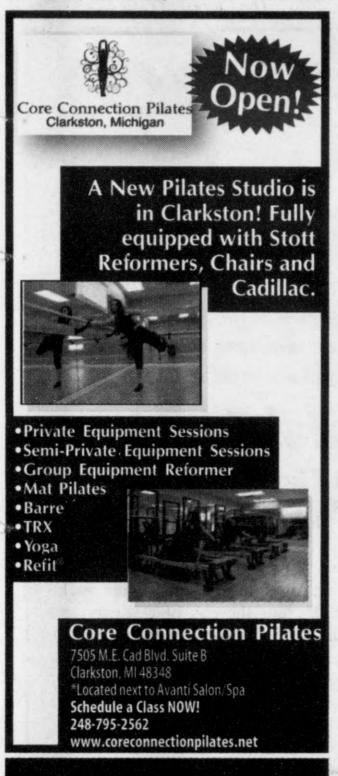
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Home remedies for joint pain can provide relief

Stiff, painful joints affect a vast number of people. According to the American College of Rheumatology, arthritis and other rheumatic diseases afflict roughly 23 percent of Americans, while Canadian Health Surveys indicate that nearly 17 percent of the Canadian adult population have arthritis. The number of people living with arthritis is expected to increase as the Baby Boomer generation continues to age.

Treatments for joint pain and stiffness range from medication to physical therapy. Finding the right regimen may take some effort, including some trial and error. For those looking for treatments they can try at home, consider these homespun remedies. (Note: Check with a physician to confirm the safety of alternative treatments before adding herbs to or modifying your existing medications.)

Exercise more. Regular movement helps to maintain flexibility in the body's joints. Those with joint pain may shy away from exercise, but they could be doing themselves a disservice. Low-impact exercises, like swimming and water aerobics, can work out muscles and joints without adding extra stress. Walking can replace jogging or running, and yoga and pilates may be just the thing for deep stretching.

Lose weight. Joint pain is often tied to obesity. Losing just a few pounds can ease up strain on certain joints, such as the hips,



feet and knees. Shedding weight can improve mobility and decrease pain and potential future damage to joints. Exercise goes hand-in-hand with healthy eating to lose weight.

Consider hot and cold therapies. Using a heating pad, hot shower or bath or

an ice pack can work wonders on arthritis-related pains. Hot treatments will loosen up stiff joints, while cold therapy is best for acute pain relief. Do not apply hot and cold packs to the skin directly, as this can injure the skin. Wrap them in a towel first before application.

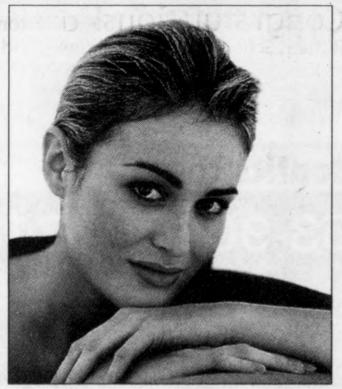
Include anti-inflammatory foods and beverages in your diet. Explore the many different natural foods and herbs that are purported to reduce inflammation in the body. Ginger, turmeric, flaxseed, grape juice, and bromelain can alleviate inflammation and stiffness. Foods such as fatty fish and nuts high in omega-3 fatty acids also will help fight inflammation. Blueberries, garlic, celery, and kelp should be included in diets as well.

Go for a massage. The Arthritis Foundation says regular massages can help reduce pain and stiffness and improve range of motion. The massage therapist should have experience working on people with arthritis. In addition, massages should be performed by licensed physical therapists and guided by a doctor's recommendation.

Increase magnesium intake. Magnesium can alleviate pain and reduce inflammation. It is best ingested through dark, leafy greens but also can be taken in supplement form. Magnesium oil can be applied topically to sore joint areas.

Skin cancer a concern no matter the season

Skin cancer can affect anyone, and overexposure to the sun, a key risk factor for skin cancer, can occur at any time of year. Whether it is a hot, sultry day spent by the pool or a chilly day skiing the slopes, any exposure to the sun can result in skin damage that can increase a person's risk for skin cancer. Plus, certain areas of the body are more susceptible than others.



How does skin cancer form?

When DNA, the material that encodes genetic information in all cells of the body, is damaged and the body cannot repair that damage, a person's risk for cancer increases. Damaged cells begin to grow and divide uncontrollably. Damaged skin cells that divide and spread can cause skin cancer.

Because skin cancer tumors generally form in the outer-most layer of the skin known as the epidermis, skin cancer may be more readily apparent and detectable than many other cancers in the early stages.

The American Academy of Dermatology says that 1 in 5 Americans will develop some form of skin cancer in their lifetime, while the Canadian Skin Cancer Foundation says that basal cell carcinoma, the most common form of skin cancer, affects 50,000 to 60,000 Canadians each year.

Where is skin cancer most likely to appear?

Skin cancer is most likely to appear on

the areas of the body most exposed to the sun. These include the head, face, neck, arms, and legs. Those who are bald or balding can also have skin cancer appear on their scalp. But skin cancer can develop anywhere on the body where there is skin, which makes it important to routinely check all areas of the body for indicators of the disease.

A recent study by The Mayo Clinic found that, while skin cancer can affect anyone, young women are more likely to receive a diagnosis.

The study indicated that melanoma, the most serious type of skin cancer, has increased by eight times for women under the age of 40 since 1970. Even children can get skin cancer. A study in the journal Pediatrics found that the number of cases of skin cancer among children and adolescents has been increasing each year by about 2 percent.

Types of skin cancer

There are three main types of skin cancer. They include basal cell carcinoma,

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Pros and cons to cleansing diet

The most popular New Year's resolution each and every year is to lose weight. After several months of overindulgence in rich foods, many people find themselves battling the bulge. But as spring draws near, the time to get in shape and shed some pounds has arrived. Those considering a cleansing diet should weigh the pros and cons before beginning.

Turning to a cleansing, or detox, diet after a period of unhealthy eating may seem like a good idea. These types of diets have become quite popular in recent years, and many are endorsed by celebrities who routinely detox to look svelte and feel good. Cleansing diets typically involve restricting food and beverage choices to a few different options and eliminating certain foods, notably dairy products, some types of grains, caffeine, alcohol, and sugar. The benefits range from clearer skin to weight loss to reduced symptoms of certain health ailments.

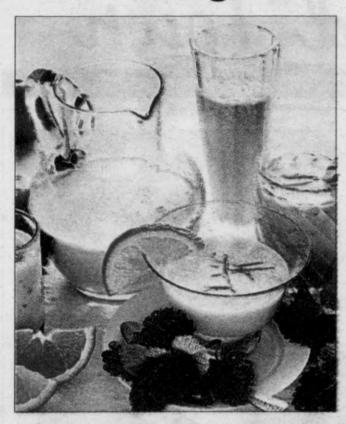
As with any type of diet, it is best to consult with a physician before beginning a cleansing diet.

Pros

* Reduced bodily toxins: While there is no scientific proof cleansing diets actually rid the body of harmful microorganisms, the nature of these diets suggests cleansing may take place. Many of the diets concentrate on eating natural, whole fruits and vegetables and drinking plenty of water and fruit juices. The increase in vegetable fiber helps to flush out the digestive system, and the influx in liquid consumption can cause you to visit the bathroom more frequently, ridding the body of substances in the blood and urine. Eating organic foods will reduce the consumption of chemical pesticides and preservatives.

* Weight loss: One reason people are drawn to detox diets is the potential to lose weight. Restricting certain foods will result in reduced caloric intake, particularly if you're moving away from high-fat foods to fruits and vegetables. A certain amount of water weight also will come off, which is a temporary benefit to a detox diet. If a healthy eating plan is implemented after the short-term cleansing diet, it may be possible to keep the weight off permanently.

* Indifference to once-loved foods: After one week on a restricted diet, you may no longer crave the foods you thought you needed on a daily basis. You may actually find that certain



junk food is no longer appealing.

* More energy: Some people report cleansing the body gives them more energy.

Cons

* Nutrition deficiencies: Some doctors argue a detox diet is not as healthy as it sounds because it can lead to health problems resulting from nutrition deficiencies. By limiting the foods you eat, you may not be getting all of the essential vitamins and minerals your body needs to function and repair itself.

* Changes in metabolic rate: If the goal from a cleansing diet is to lose weight, restricting food intake could backfire. That's because if the body feels it is being starved by a lack of eating, it could actually go into a "powersaving mode," just like your computer or phone does. Your metabolism slows down to conserve the amount of fat stored you have. Therefore, eating less may actually not cause any weight loss. Or it may lead to binge eating after the cleanse.

* Feeling unhealthy: Although the goal is to have more energy and have a body that feels good, some side effects of a detox diet could be off-putting. Fatigue, confusion, dizziness, headaches, and general malaise may occur from calorie or food restriction. These symptoms may abate when you include more foods in your daily diet.

* Potential development of unhealthy habits: It may be possible to develop an eating disorder if the results of a cleansing diet are positive. Instead of engaging in the diet for a limited period of time, you may be tempted to continue in a strict restriction of food, which may be unhealthy in the long run.

Skin cancer a concern

Continued from previous page squamous cell carcinoma, and melanoma.

* Basal cell carcinoma occurs in the basal cells, which are the lowest level of the epidermis. It can appear as a shiny translucent or pearly nodule, a sore that continuously heals, and then reopens, a pink slightly elevated growth, reddish irritated patches of skin, or a waxy scar.

* Squamous cell carcinoma occurs in the upper layer of the epidermis. It often looks like a crusty, red patch of

* Melanoma begins in the melanocytes, the cells in the epidermis that give the skin its color. Melanoma is the most deadly form of skin cancer because it can quickly spread into the lymph system of the body and organs. Melanoma can form in a preexisting mole or form a new mole.

Causes of skin cancer

Exposure to sunlight is the leading

cause of skin cancer, according to the American Cancer Society. While the rays of the sun may be more intense during the summertime, any exposure to the sun can lead to skin cancer. The sun can reflect off of snow and become concentrated. No matter how many layers a person wears during cooler weather, the head and neck area tends to remain exposed to the sun's damaging UV radiation year-round.

Skin cancer is most likely to occur in people with pale skin who have a tendency to burn or freckle when exposed to the sun. But everyone should be diligent and cover up when spending time outdoors.

No one is immune to skin cancer, and the change of seasons does not lower a person's risk of getting the disease. Anytime a person is in the sun he or she runs the risk of UV exposure that can lead to skin cancer, which highlights the importance of taking preventive measures to safeguard yourself from skin cancer.



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Blood drive, American Red Cross, March 25, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road; 7:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m., March 27, Clarkston High School, 6093 Fleming Road. 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767).

Downton Abbey Afternoon Tea, 2-4 p.m., March 25, Senior Adult Center Carriage House. \$10. Tea, sandwiches, baked goodies, lively discussion, trivia. 248-625-8231.

Free Sleep Assessment Quiz and Facility Tour, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., 3-7 p.m., March 25, McLaren Oakland Sleep Center, 5701 Bow Pointe Drive, Suite 355. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6840.

Mom2Mom Sale, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., March 28, Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. Early bird shopping from 8am-9am. Regular admission \$1, early bird admission \$2. Strollers after 10 am. Sellers, contact Debbie at mom2mom@clarkstoncommunity. com.

Easter egg hunt, 3 p.m., March 28, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Outdoor egg hunt, Easter crafts, pictures with the Bunny, snacks. 248-625-1611.

Edible and Ecological Landscapes with Mark Angelini and Trevor Newman, founders of Roots to Fruits, 7:30-9 p.m., April 1, St. Daniel's Church, Cushing Center Hall, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Free, www.northoakland. wildones.org.

Dinner Dance for Helping Hearts Helping Hands, 6 p.m.-1:30 a.m., April 17, Deer Lake Banquet Center, 6167 White Lake Road. Dinner, silent and live auctions, cash bar, music, dancing. \$80, for Erica Cale's mission for children in Honduras. 248-980-5090.

Sunday

Coffee Chat with Clarkston School Board Treasurer Joan Patterson, 3-4 p.m., April 19, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-396-3148.

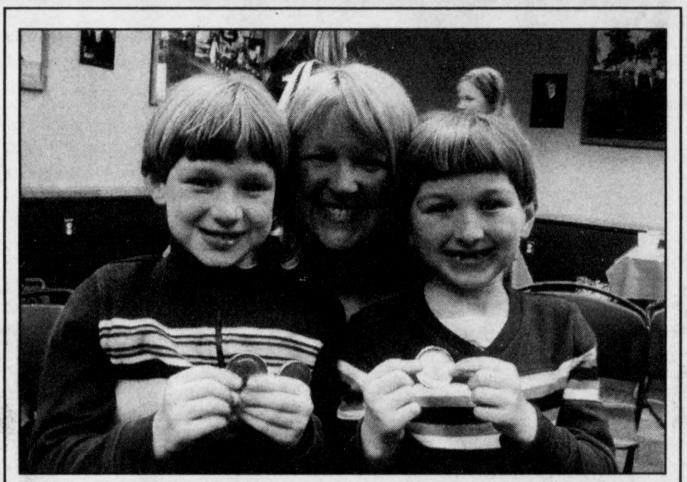
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Line Dancing, Mondays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Country, salsa, cha-cha, rock and roll with Rosemary Hall. All welcome. \$3/ drop in.

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

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



SWEET TREASURE: Cameron, at left, Cody Fleming, and their mom, Cari Fleming, enjoy some Gold Coin Chocolates at Clarkston Independence District Library's Chocolate Celebration, March 11. Photo provided

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

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

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

Fitness 4 You classes, \$5 walk-in, New Hope Bible Church, 8673 Sashabaw Road. Call Patty, 248-520-3297.

Tuesday

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group, 7 p.m., April 14. Topic: Mourning and Meaning Making. Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. Free. 248-625-5231.

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.

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

Clarkston Community Women's Club, third Tuesday, Sept.-April, 7 p.m., Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Community service group for all ages. 248-421-7699.

Town Hall Quilt Guild, third Tuesday, 7 p.m., First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. Guest fee, \$5. 248-705-7310.

50+ Pickleball, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., \$3; Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4; Saturdays, 9-11 a.m., \$3. First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road.

Wednesday

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

Genealogical consulting with Dr. Thomas K. Stone, Wednesdays, March 25, April 22, and May 20, 10 a.m., Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center. \$1.

Thursday

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

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

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.

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., madefrom-scratch. \$7. Independence Township Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Make reservation by Monday before, 248-625-8231.

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

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

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

TOPS 1093 Clarkston, Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., \$1/week. First Missionary Church, 4832 Clintonville Road. 248-673-5540.

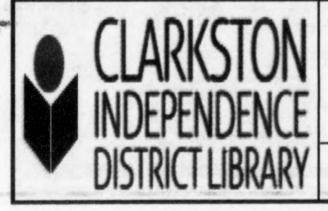
Friday

Line dance class, Fridays, 2-4 p.m., Waterford Senior Center, 3621 Pontiac Lake Road. \$4, all levels. 248-682-9450.

Saturday

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

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New Computers at the Library:

One of the exciting projects that the library was able to start with the passing of the millage was getting new computers for the Adult, Teen, and Children's computer labs. Stop in and see the new improvements.

All Things Disney:
Monday, April 6 6:00pm
Join us as we celebrate
Nemo and all his friends
by crafting, snacking,
and playing! Register
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under the events tab.



Qualities of a good student?



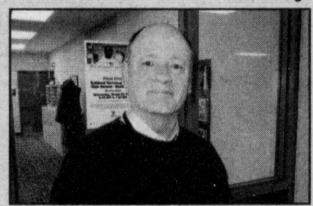
"A good student works hard, follows up and completes assignments."

-Don Peters



"A good student is focused and excited. They have a passion for what they are doing. They also have good attendance."

-Anne George

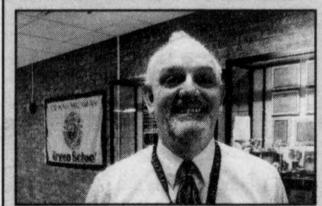


"Good students are focused, determined, dedicated and know how to have fun."

-Allen Beckner



"Being on time and being responsible."
-Travis Mcavoy



"Good students are motivated, passionate and the see the light at the end of the tunnel."

-Ken Cortese By Andrea Beaudoin

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Women's Life group presents a \$750 scholarship to Monica Wanat. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Woman's Life continues legacy of good deeds

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A Clarkston group is out to change the world one good deed at a time.

Women's Life, a group formed in Clarkston, is a group of do-good gals. They are friends. They get together, socialize and have fun while deciding who to help next.

Monica Wanat's resilient spirit won support from Woman's Life when they presented her a \$750 check on March 11 to help pay for college.

Monica impresses those who know her. At 18, she has overcame immense adversity to be who she is today. In seventh grade she was failing school. Help and support from others led her. She worked hard and graduated from Clarkston High School with all A's and B's.

Trouble early on is not what Monica cares to talk about anymore. That's not her story. Her story is how she moved on from pain, keeping that smile on her face.

That's the kind of stories, Woman's Life loves. Those are the kinds of spirits they want to help.

Each time they meet, the ladies present ideas on how to help. They agree to work on

one idea as a group.

Michele Przybylski of Clarkston, a member of Woman's Life, said helping Monica was in honor of Renee Przybylski, Michele's daughter.

A Michigan State University graduate with a degree in advertising, Renee lost her battle with leukemia in 2001 at just 23.

Michele continues good deeds in memory of her daughter.

Clintonville Spray Park is one example, named in honor of Renee, after \$180,000 was raised to make the park a reality.

Please see Women's group on page 34



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5972 Paramus, Clarkston, MI Located 2 blks. N. of Dixie Hwy. (E.of M-15) Pastor: Russell Reemtsma Sun: 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowshi 10:30 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed: 6:15-8:00 pm AWANA (Pre-school-Gr.6) Semper Fi (Teens, Gr. 7-12)

CLARKSTON

COMMUNITY CHURCH 6300 Clarkston Road • Clarkston (248) 625-1323 Home of Oakland Christian School Pastor: Greg Henneman Sunday Worship: 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Nursery Care at both services Children's Ministries: September thru April Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Ministries: September thru April Sunday, 12:30-2:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 3:00-8:00 p.m. www.ciarkstoncommunity.com

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6805 Bluegrass Drive, Clarkston (W. of M-15, just S. of I-75) 248-625-3288 Pastor Jonathan Heierman Sunday Worship: 8:15 am, 9:30 & 11:00 am Nursery, Children & Youth at 9:30 & 11:00am Wednesday Evenings: 6:00-8:00 pn Dinner & groups of all ages Nursery, Children & Youth too www.calvaryinfo.org

THE GATHERING PLACE 9811 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston 248-620-5301 Corner of Dixie Hwy & Davisburg Rd. Sunday Evening Worship 5-6pm Fellowship Dinner, Bible Study & Sunday School 6:15-7:15pm Sunday Worship: Men's Group, 3rd Sat. of Month 9-10:30am 9:45 am & 11:00 am Women's Group, 2nd & 4th Fridays 6:30-Finanacial Peace University Classes ongoing Email: tgpconnection@gmail.com www.thinkoutsidethepew.org

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

5449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston (248) 394-0200 Fax: (248) 394-1212 Rev. Dr. Matthew Webster Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Dream Keepers Youth Group Sunday's 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm March - May and Sept. - Nov www.FirstCongregationalChurch.org

CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston 248-625-1611 Website: clarkstonumc.org Sunday Worship: 9:00 am & 11:00 am Nursery available for all services

DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH

8585 Dixie Highwy, Clarkston, MI (248) 625-2311 website: www.dixiebaptist.org Home of Springfield Christian Academy Ark Preschool Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman Sun: 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am Sunday School for all ages 6:00 pm Worship Service Wed: 7:00 pm Children and Teen Clubs & Adult Bible Study Nursery available for all services.

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"God's Word; God's Power; Life Worth Here to help those concerned about life and curious about the God who made us. Currently meeting at Mt.Zion Center 4453 Clintonville Road at Mann Rd., Waterford, MI 48329 Worship Service each Sunday @ 10:30 am Children's Worship @ 10:30 am Other Opportunities: Call Church for times of following Men's Bible Study Women's Bible Study Mid Week Bible Study Adult Sunday Morning Bible Studies Oakland EPC is an Evangelical Presbyterian Church with offices located at 7205 Clintonville Rd., Clarkston, MI 48348 Phone (248) 858-2577

WAYPOINT CHURCH

8400 Dixie Hwy, Clarkston Website - www.waypoint.org Phone 248-623-1224 Mom Squad: Tues, 9:30-11:30 am Childcare provided Wednesday: Family Life Group 6:30 pm Youth 6:30 pm

Religion

Hope for cities through Holy Spirit

Spiritual

Matters

Pastor Greg

Henneman

I've been reading a fascinating book by historian Rodney Stark. It's called The Triumph of Christianity: How the Jesus Movement Became the World's Largest Religion. He makes a compelling case that much of what we think we know about Christian history is mythical. For example, the "Dark Ages" really were not that dark. That label was invented by the rather arrogant secular philosophers such

as Voltaire and Rousseau. I've been reading this book as background study for my current series on the New Testament book of Acts. For several weeks I brought this question before my congregation: "How did this little group of Jesus followers sweep across the Roman Empire and transform it?" They

had no military or political or economic power -and yet the gospel flashed like lightning across their world until almost half the empire was Christian by 300 AD. How did that happen?

We've seen a number of answers. For one, they knew their mission. Jesus had told them, "Go make disciples! Go be my witnesses, not just here in Jerusalem, but in Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth." These early Christians didn't just play church! They were the church! They were radical! They knew their mission! They were a movement of people penetrating and influencing their communities in all sorts of ways. In his book, Stark points out that these early Christians were known for their compassionate caring. People were drawn to their communities of hope and joy.

Another answer is that they were filled with the Presence of Jesus, the Holy Spirit. Jesus said, "Here's your mission: I want you to go and be my witnesses. Go! But before you go, wait! You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. Before you go, wait! You can't fulfill the mission without the Spirit. You've got to know me. I've got to be in you. Otherwise, you won't have the power to pull it off."

Mission and Spirit. That's why the early church transformed their society. The question is: Are we known for being communities of hope and joy? When people hear the words "church" and "Christian," do they think, "Oh! Those are the people who bring hope to our cities! Those are the people who are compassionate and caring! Our communities are so much better because they are here?"

We identified two problems. We have the problem of "mission drift." We also have the problem of "we leak." We tend to forget our mission and we tend to leak! We can be filled with the Spirit for a while and then we leak! The Holy Spirit leaks out of us and we're empty. We're dry. We've lost the power. We've lost the heart and motivation and the joy. Maybe you've been a Christian for years, but somewhere along the way you leaked! You used to be filled with the Spirit but not now! You need filled again!

We've learned that not just individuals but even the church as a whole, down through the centuries, can get off mission and can leak. The church itself tends to go through ups and downs. That's why we need renewal. We need awakening - to get back on mission and to live in the power of the Spirit again.

My prayer for our congregation, for congregations across Clarkston, and across the land, is that we would be a movement of disciples, on mission, filled with the Spirit of Jesus, bringing hope to our cities.

The Rev. Pastor Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church

In our local churches...

Wednesday Evening Feast, 6 p.m., dinner; classes for all ages, 7-8 p.m. Free nursery. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. Call 248-625-3288 or check www.calvaryinfo.org

DivorceCare 13-weekly seminars, Thursdays, 6:45-8:30 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. For mor einformation, call 248-625-

First Friday Family Fun, 7 p.m., St. Trinity Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw Road. Board and video games, snacks for all ages, kids movies. Call 248-625-4644 for more information.

TO CREDITORS CREDITORS

The Settlor, Benjamin F. Rogers, Jr. (6-10-23), who lived at 3941 Lake Oakland Shores, Waterford Township, Michigan died 6-23-14. There is no personal representative of the settlor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Benjamin F. Rogers Restated Trust, dated 3-22-12, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to Jan M. Rogers, Trustee, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice

Notice is further given that the Trust assets will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

PAULA. BAILEY P27176

236 S. BROADWAY LAKE ORION, MI 48362 248-693-4080

Date: 3-16-15 JOAN M. ROGERS, TRUSTEE 666 S. WINDING WATERFORD, MI 48328 248-766-1555

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **MARCH 17, 2015**

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at Independence Township Hall.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Pontiac Boy Scout Troop 377.
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier Ritchie, Schroeder Absent: Kittle

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Ken Elwert, Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director; Linda Richardson, DPW Director; Lt. Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst, Richard Carlisle, Carlisle/ Wortman & Associates, Inc.

Approval to Appoint Barbara Pallotta, Clerk as Acting Chair.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented

CLOSED SESSION: None Scheduled

- BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Ken Elwert, Trustee Schroeder
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- H. PUBLIC HEARING: None Scheduled
- PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS: None
- CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None K. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - Approval of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2015
 - Approval of the Payroll of March 13, 2015 and Check Run of March 11, 2015 for a Total Amount of \$1,101,317.65
 - 3. Approval of 2015 Budget Amendment #3A
 - Approval of Contract for Natural Gas Cost Recovery Services 5. Approval of New Vendor - Fuel
- L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:
- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:
 - 1. Approval of 2nd Reading & Adoption of Zoning Ordinance Text and Map Amendments - Versa Planned Rezoning Overlay (PRO) Project
 - Approval of Renewal of Employment Agreement for Budget Analyst
 - Request to Lease Vehicles Assessing, Parks and Building Departments - No Board action
- 4. Request to Amend Previously Adopted Motion #2015-02-045 - Purchase of Vehicle - Parks Division - No Board action taken.
- Reappointment of Member to Boards and Committees - Senior Adult Activity Center Advisory Committee
- 6. Adoption of Proclamation-Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month - April 2015
- 7. Approval Recognizing Michigan Stars Softball Inc. as a Nonprofit Organization for a Charitable **Gaming License**
- N. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:
 - 1. Report: Fiscal 2015 Budgets after Capital Project Transfer
 - 2. Report: Monthly Actual to Budget Financial Update - February 2015
 - Report: 2014 Fire Department Incident Summary 4. Report: Building Department Monthly Report -
- February 2015 O. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Clerk Pallotta,
- Trustee Schroeder P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, March 25, 2015

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Regular meeting on March 17, 2017, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a Second Reading and Adoption of a rezoning request with a Planned Rezoning Overlay from OS-2 (Office Service Two) to C-1 (Local Commercial, as follows:

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF OAKLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **ORDINANCE NO. 2015-0001** ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENT

(C-1 Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay) An ordinance to amend the "Zoning Ordinance" for the purpose of changing the zoning classification on certain property on the map which is a part of the Zoning Ordinance ("Zoning Map").

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE OR-DAINS:

Section 1 of Ordinance

Subject to and in accordance with Article 15, and in particular Section 15.03, "Planned Rezoning Overlay (PRO)," of the Township Zoning Ordinance, the Charter Township of Independence Zoning Map is amended by changing the classification of the approximately 0.80 acres of property presently having Parcel Identification No. 08-27-201-020 from OS-2, Office Service Two, to C-1/PRO, Residential Local Business One with Planned Rezoning Overlay, and the Zoning Map Designation shall read "C-1/ PRO." This Ordinance shall include the terms and provisions of the Planned Rezoning Overlay Agreement and the Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions relative to this rezoning. Development and use of this parcel so classified and approved shall be restricted to the permission granted and the terms and conditions set forth in the Planned Rezoning Overlay Agreement, and no other development or use shall be permitted.

Section 2 of Ordinance

All other parts and provisions of the Zoning Ordinance shall remain in effect, amended only as provided above. If any section, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such section, clause or provision declared to be unconstitutional, void or illegal shall thereby cease to be a part of this Ordinance, but the remainder of this Ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.

Section 3 of Ordinance This Ordinance shall become effective on the date provided by applicable law (specifically MCL 125.3402) and ordinance (specifically Zoning Ordinance Section 15.03.F) following publication.

Section 4 of Ordinance

This Ordinance is declared to have been enacted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting called and held on March 17, 2015, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed

Ayes: Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier, Ritchie,

Schroeder Nays: None Abstentions: None Absent: Kittle STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

I, the undersigned, the qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, do certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting held on March 17, 2015, the original of which is on file in my office.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE By: Barbara A. Pallotta, Township Clerk

INTRODUCED: January 20, 2015 RATIFIED: March 3, 2015 PUBLISHED: March 11, 2015 ADOPTED: March 17, 2015 PUBLISHED: March 25, 2015 EFFECTIVE: April 24, 2015

MAD, GLAD OR SAD?

Write a letter to the Editor clarkstonnews@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE **TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2015** SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an Election will be held

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

If you are not currently registered to vote or need to register at a new address, you may do so at the following locations and times by the close of registration deadline on Monday, April 6, 2015:

In Person:

Charter Township of Independence Clerk's Office 6483 Waldon Center Drive - Clarkston, MI 48346 Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm;

Oakland County Elections Division - 1200 N. Telegraph Road - Pontiac, MI 48341

Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm;

Secretary of State Branch Offices; At specified agencies for clients receiving services through Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind; and

At military recruitment offices for persons who are enlisting.

By Mail:

Voter Registration Application: Mail application to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline on Monday, April 6, 2015.

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

The election will be conducted in the following voting precincts:

PRECINCT # **POLLING LOCATION**

St. Trinity Lutheran Church -7925 Sashabaw Road First Congregational Church -

5449 Clarkston Road 3 Carriage House @ Clintonwood Park -

6000 Clarkston Road Clarkston Independence District Township Library - 6495 Clarkston Road Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church -

6805 Bluegrass 6 Clarkston Community Church -6300 Clarkston Road

Oakland Woods Baptist Church -5628 Maybee Road Maranatha Baptist Church -

5790 Flemings Lake Road 9 Harvestland Church -5848 Clintonville Road 10 & 11 Mt. Zion Church - 4900 Maybee Road

12 & 13 Clarkston Community Schools Administration Building - 6389 Clarkston Road For the purpose of voting on the following State

proposal:

PROPOSAL 15-1

A proposal to amend the State Constitution to increase the sales/use tax from 6% to 7% to replace and supplement reduced revenue to the School Aid Fund and local units of government caused by the elimination of the sales/use tax on gasoline and diesel fuel for vehicles operating on public roads, and to give effect to laws that provide additional money for roads and other transportation purposes by increasing the gas tax and vehicle registration

The proposed constitutional amendment would: -Eliminate sales / use taxes on gasoline / diesel fuel for vehicles on public roads.

-Increase portion of use tax dedicated to School Aid Fund (SAF).

-Expand use of SAF to community colleges and career / technical education, and prohibit use for 4year colleges / universities

-Give effect to laws, including those that: -Increase sales / use tax to 7%, as authorized by constitutional amendment.

-Increase gasoline / diesel fuel tax and adjust annually for inflation, increase vehicle registration fees, and dedicate revenue for roads and other transportation purposes.

 Expand competitive bidding and warranties for road projects.

-Increase earned income tax credit

Should this proposal be adopted?

AND for the purpose of voting on the following local School District proposal:

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS COUNTY OF OAKLAND STATE OF MICHIGAN

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its

revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews millage that will expire with the 2015 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 19.2491 mills (\$19.2491 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Clarkston Community Schools, Oakland County, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 10 years, 2016 to 2025, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2016 is approximately \$7,295,310 (this is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2015 tax levy)?

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC

Township Clerk PUBLISHED & POSTED: Wednesday, March 25, 2015

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO: PROBATE COURT 2015-361, 594-DE COUNTY OF OAKLAND **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Decedent's Estate

Estate of Sammie Wilder. Date of Birth: May 29, 1924

TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Sammie Wilder, died

March 4, 2014 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jon B. Munger, personal representative or proposed personal representative to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of

March 17, 2015

Munger & Associates, P.C. Jon B. Munger P54736 Jon B. Munger 4545 Clawson Tank Dr, Ste 100 4545 Clawson Tank Dr, Ste 100 Clarkston, MI 48346 Clarkston, MI 48346 248.618.1200 248.618.1200

TO CREDITORS CREDITORS

The Grantor, John J. Doyle (date of birth: August 26, 1932), who lived at 72 Caterburty Trail Drive, Rochester Hills, MI 48309, died February 19, 2015. There is no personal representative of the Grantor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the John J. Doyle Revocable Living Trust dated July 16, 1979, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to Marcia G. Bell or Patricia L. McIsaac, Co-Trustees, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the Trust assets will thereafter be assigned

William G. Zabel (P22671) Attorney for Trustees 6480 Citation Drive Clarkston, MI 48346 (248) 620-3330

and distributed to the persons entitled to it. Date: March 16, 2015 Marcia G. Bell, Co-Trustee 6334 Balmoral Trail Clarkston, MI 48346 (248) 361-9392 Patricial L. McIsaac, Co-Trustee 2059 Belle Vernon Rochester Hills, MI 48309 (248) 361-9392

TO CREDITORS CREDITORS

The Grantor, David C. Wolgast (date of birth: August 26, 1944), who lived at 392 Heron Ave., Naples, FL 34108, (prior address 5215 Lake George Road, Oxford, MI 48370) died February 20, 2015. There is no personal representative of the Grantor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the David C. Wolgast Revocable Living Trust dated March 31, 1987, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to Melinda M. Wolgast or Heigh M. Peterson, Co-Trustees, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the Trust assets will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

William G. Zabel (P22671) **Attorney for Trustees** 6480 Citation Drive Clarkston, MI 48346 (248) 620-3330

Date: March 16, 2015 Melinda M. Wolgast, Co-Trustee 392 Heron Ave. Naples, FL 34108 (239) 592-9379 Heidi M. Peterson, Co-Trust 470 Aarons Vvay Ortonville, MI 48462 (248) 361-9392

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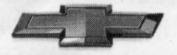
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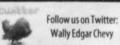
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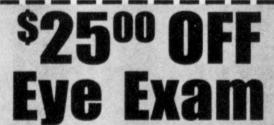
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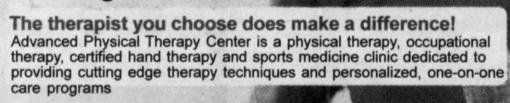
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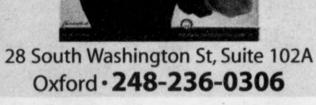
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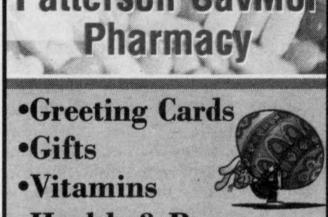




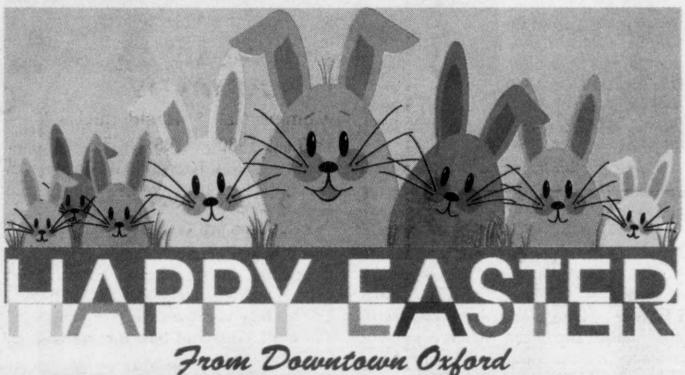












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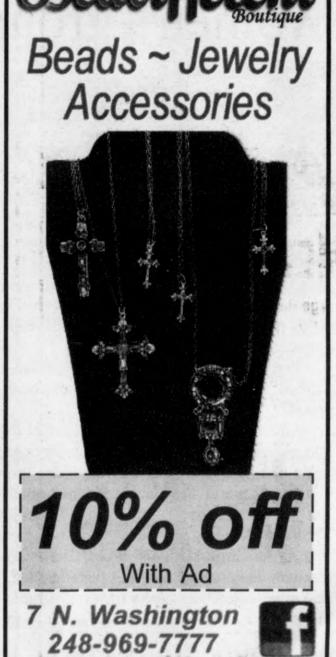
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She was preceded in death by her husband Forrest, "Ralph." She was the mother of Frank (Candy), Sharon (Bob) Brock, Sandra (Gillis) Benedict, Tom (Star); grandmother of Thomas, Scott, James,



Jonathon, Ellen, Heather, Amanda, Anna, Frank, Paige, Payton, Nick and the late Matthew.

Shirley was a teacher at Pine Knob Elementary, Clarkston. She was known for her mission and volunteer work.

Funeral service, Wednesday, March 25, at 12:30 p.m. at Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Paul J. Kessler, 81

Paul J. Kessler of Clarkston, formerly of Ortonville, passed away on June 5, 2014, at age 81.

He was the husband of the late Vilma; beloved father of Paul A. Kessler and Lisa Marion; proud grandfather of Michael Marion and Anne Marie Marion; dear brother of Hannelore Bugby, Rosemarie (Richard) Harper and Carol (Edward "E.J.") Sands.



There are no services planned at this time. Arrangements by **Simple Funerals**, www.SimpleFuneralsInMichigan.com.

New speaker for townhall series

Oakland Town Hall announces a change in their April 8 lecture series.

Tom Gjelten, National Public Radio reporter, will replace Carlos Luria, CIA insider and author due to illness.

Gjelten covers a wide variety of global security and economic issues for NPR News. Recently Tom was assigned to cover religion and one of his first responsibilities was to attend the recent White House conference on "Countering Violent Terrorism."

The event will take place at the St. George Cultural Center, 43816 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. For ticket information call Linda Kolody at 248-625-4137 or visit oaklandtownhall.org.

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Obituaries & . Obituaries

Kenneth Linton, 55

Kenneth S. Linton of Clarkston, formerly of Solon, Ohio, passed away suddenly March 21, 2015, at age 55.

He was the devoted husband of Rose (nee Deddens); loving father of Scott, Christopher, and Rachel; son of Ralph and Kay Linton; son in law of Gerhard (the late Frances) Deddens; brother of Michael (Debbie) Linton;



brother in law of Christina (Steve) Weigel, David (Michelle) Deddens and Lynn Deddens.

Ken was a family man with a great sense of humor. He enjoyed bicycling, gardening and grilling.

Memorial visitation, Thursday, 6-8 p.m., at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorial mass, Friday, March 27, at 10 a.m. at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston, where friends may visit directly at the church after 9 a.m. Memorials may be made to American Brain Tumor Association or National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Sandra L. Schulz, 68

Sandra Lee Schulz of Clarkston went to be with the Lord peacefully Sunday, March 22, 2015, at age 68.

She was preceded in death by her husband Richard. She was the loving mother of Nichole (Keith) Richmond; Nanette (Bruce) Kite and Richard Schulz; beloved grandmother of Ashley, Breanna, Dustin, Richard,



Matthew and Colton; dear sister of Gerald (Linda) deRuiter, Linda (Charles) Berg, Michael (Jackie) deRuiter; Christopher (Connie) deRuiter and Clifford deRuiter; also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Sandra graduated from South Lake High School in St. Clair Shores in 1964.

Funeral service Sunday, March 29, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Grand Blanc. Friends may visit Saturday, 3-9 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Grand Blanc. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Kenneth Wolven, 76

Kenneth O. Wolven of Clarkston passed away March 20, 2015, at age 76.

He was the husband of Shirley (nee

Keneipp); father of Paul (Aimee) Wolven; grandpa of Haley and Lauren; brother of twin Fred (Carmen) Wolven and Louis (Linda) Wolven; brother in law of Sharry and Doug Doty; also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and friends.



Kenneth earned a BA & MA from Central Michigan University. He taught at Clarkston Community Schools for 40 years. Kenneth was a long time member of St. Daniel Catholic Church. He enjoyed family, spectator sports, playing cards and indulging his sweet tooth.

Memorial visitation was March 24 at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorial Mass, Wednesday, March 25, at 10 a.m., at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Clarkston Athletic Department or the Clarkston F o u n d a t i o n . O n l i n e guestbookwww.wintfuneralhome.com.

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Women's group formed to serve community

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Monica's story won Michele's heart and that \$750 scholarship was given in honor of Renee.

"Monica's story and her life touched my heart and I wanted to help," Michele smiled. That's what Woman's Life does.

"Our mission is to serve and empower people in the community that may not otherwise have the resources," said President Kelly Mansour.

Each member may have a cause they care about. When that idea is shared with other members, the gals get to work.

Their missions vary. They have accomplished a lot, and their work makes them proud.

In the dead of winter, the gals agreed to make blankets. "We got fleece and made those blankets. We laughed and talked and then we delivered the blankets to the homeless on one of the coldest nights," Heidi Nettler smiled.

Another time the gals asked Clarkston teachers what school supplies were needed.

Ladies filled backpacks for every grade. They filled to the brim, and gave them to teachers at school for kids in need.

They have adopted families at Christmas will most likely be completely different.

and filled food pantries. They have honored mothers, with a pedicure, manicure and make-up session.

They gather and brainstorm for ideas to help. They ask who needs help.

Their newest mission is supporting "The Well" in Waterford.

Przybylski said what she values most in The Well, is that girls suspended from Waterford High school spend their suspension time there and receive mentoring, structure, and nurturing.

Working for schools, she has seen the structure kids get while in school versus being suspended. "I think this will be a great blessing to kids who get in trouble," the ladies agree.

At The Well they will receive guidance, structure, counseling, and opportunities they might not otherwise have.

The Well's Dana Bosnack spoke to Woman's Life on March 2. She and her family purchased a home for The Well four years ago. They have put their own equity, sweat, and tears into the project.

Hoping to open in April, the ladies attended an event on March 19 to support the project. They help a lot, and their next project will most likely be completely different.

"Every month we pick and organization, family or individual and we get together and donate," said Heidi Nettler a self described "doer" in the group.

Certain projects and people will draw their support.

"If you work hard and have the right attitude to encourage people. We want to help," added Nettler.

Right now there are 25 members in Woman's Life. They are a grassroots group, which started out of friendship.

If someone is in a rough spot, the ladies want to help, like they helped Monica.

Monica is thankful for the support, she confesses as her eyes light up and her bubbly and positive personality shines through.

She notices a mom kiss her son on the cheek. "Awe," she smiles as you can tell that moment of tenderness she seen in this world-touched her heart.

For Woman's Life, it's all about love.

The group of friends smile in agreement on many statements like how much joy they get in return for giving. Each lady confesses they are looking forward to their next project.

"I do this out of love," Przybylski smiled.
"When you give you get a lot of joy. We do
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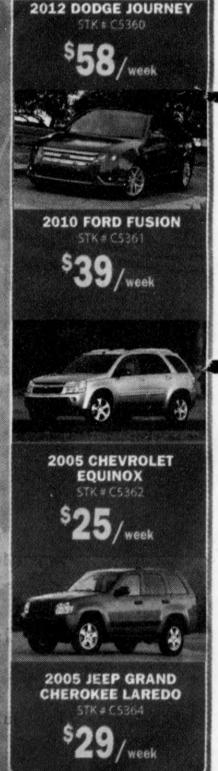


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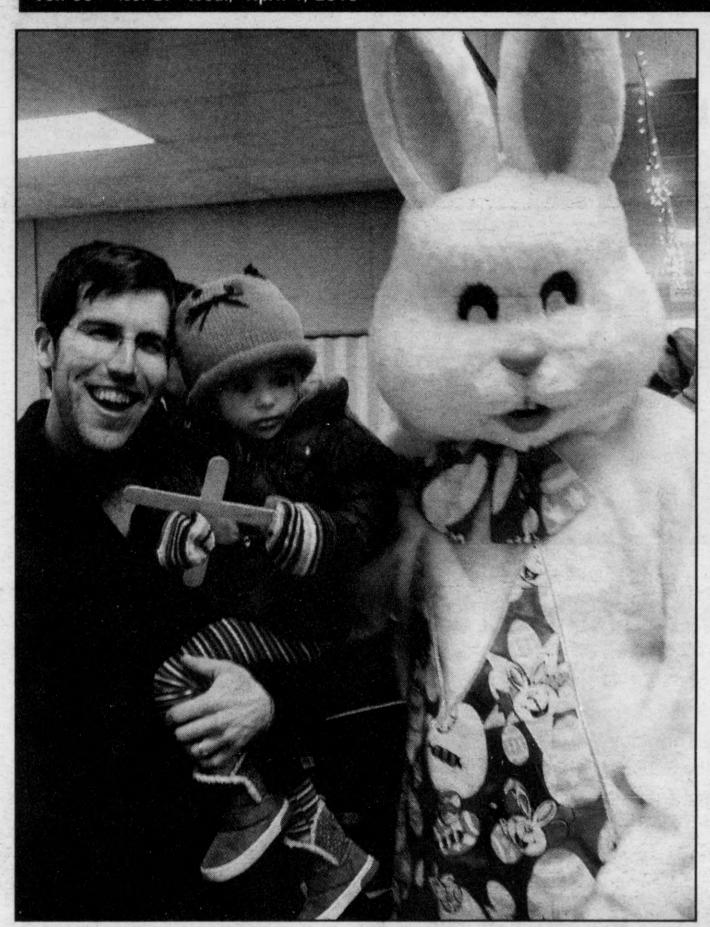


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WHAT'S WITH THE BIG BUNNY?: Matilda Truesdell, with her father Mike Truesdell, may not be too sure about the Easter Bunny at Clarkston United Methodist Church's Easter Egg Hunt, March 28. Please see page 3 for more pictures from the annual event. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Plans for 5-star inn downtown

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A \$3 million-\$5 million five-star inn is being planned right in the heart of Clarkston.

Investor Robert Roth of Washington Management shared plans including a conservatory made of all glass, a 16-room inn with two cottages, and numerous gardens and walkways.

The development would be west of Clarkston Mills Mall on Washington Street.

Ed Adler of Lake Angelus, investor and Roth's brother, said he wanted to give Clarkston a development like The Pillars Hotel in Florida, an up-scale destination described as elegant, sophisticated, and warm. "When I saw The Pillars, I was inspired," Adler confessed.

He has had visions of grandeur for the area ever since he purchased Clarkston Mills property, he said.

"I always knew the property would lend itself to something beautiful," he said.

Development plans may change based on input by Washington Management contractors and city officials, he said.

Conceptual ideas for the inn are still in the works, and no approvals for the project have been granted by the City of Clarkston.

"We have to start somewhere," Adler

Roth has met with city officials including the City Manager Carol Eberhardt, Mayor Joe Luginski, city planners and their Please see Plans on page 35

Admin asks state to take M-STEP back

BYPHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

As administrators and teachers make final preparations for M-STEP testing after spring break, Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock asked the School Board to back a resolution protesting the new state test.

The superintendent's resolution calls on the state to stop the test and work with local districts on something better.

been a disgrace.

"Shame on the said. "It's a debace."

"Why are we doing this – it doesn't seem like the best thing to do for our kids," Rock said at the March 23 meeting.

None of the board members support how the M-STEP, Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress, has been rolled out, but the board fell short of signing off on the resolution.

Board Vice President Susan Boatman said

the test has been a lot of trouble, but thought the resolution was too hard on standardized teaching in general.

"I think we should do standardized testing," she added.

Trustee Cheryl McGinnis supported the resolution, and said the test process has been a disgrace.

"Shame on the legislature," McGinnis said. "It's a debacle, what our legislature has done."

Board Treasurer Joan Patterson said the resolution was too negative.

"I'm more in favor of, after taking the test, listing items we had issues with then presenting it to the legislature," Patterson said. "That seems like a better way go. A lot of time and effort went into this test. I'd like

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STUDENT SERVICE: Genna Golab closes a box of muffins planned to go to Meals on Wheels during Independence Elementary's 12th Annual S.O.C.K.S. day last Thursday. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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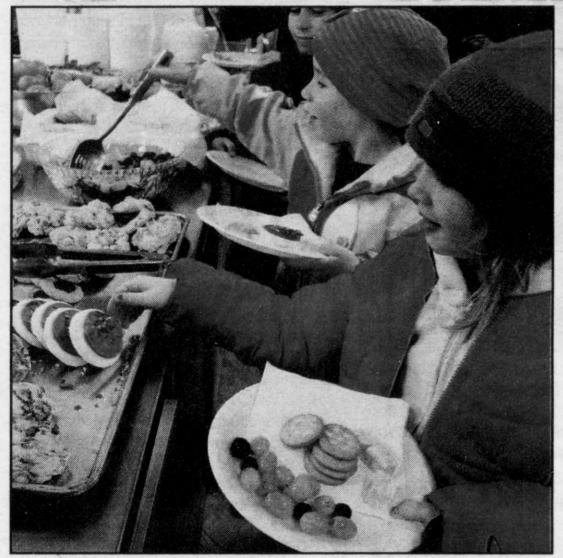
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The Bannasch family enjoys crafts and snacks at Clarkston United Methodist Church before the Easter egg hunt.



Ashton Wehl and Payton Schmig grab some cookies from an enormous spread of food offered to visitors. Photos by Andrea Beaudoin



Lydia Reed makes a craft.

Hunt for Easter eggs, treats

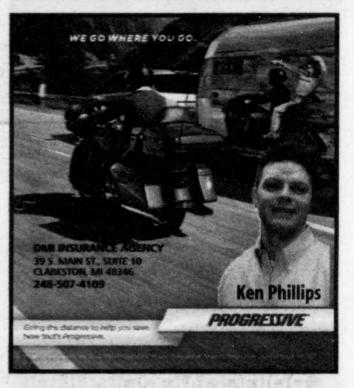
It was a splendid afternoon when egg seekers of all ages visited Clarkston United Methodist Church their annual Easter Egg hunt.

Children enjoyed crafts and an enormous spread of goodies laid out to snack on before the egg hunt began.

Eggs, 3,000 of them, were stuffed with treats and covered the lawn. Several Easter baskets were also raffled off to kids who entered a drawing by submitting a picture they colored. Children's Ministry Director for the church, Annette Siminski, said the event is supported by the church congregation.







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Pothole problems for drivers, taxpayers

BYANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

It's spring pothole season, and drivers are paying the price.

Craig Bryson, spokesperson Road Commission Oakland County, said drivers spend an average of \$500 a year on car repairs from pothole damage.

Potholes get worse in springtime after roads freeze and thaw on roads built to last a few decades.

Damage when hitting potholes range from punctured tires, steering system misalignment's and bent rims to damage to the entire exhaust and suspension systems of vehicles.

Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, local car dealership and repair facility, sees a lot of these types of repairs, especially this time of year. Those repairs cost hundreds of dollars, said Jim White from Al Deeby.

"This is the season we see most types of these repairs," said White.

Potholes in 2015 may be worse than ever due to several reasons from the age of roads to budget cuts in road funding.

A road construction boom hit Oakland County in the 1960s and 1970s. Once-rural roads in communities like Clarkston evolved over time from nothing but farm trails to what you see today, Bryson said.

Roads were built to last 15-40 years depending on what type of material, asphalt, or concrete, was used to build them.

Bryson said many roads in Oakland County are over their age limit and important road maintenance has been scaled back in

Bryson added the RCOC does not have a budget for each individual community.

There are six RCOC garages to cover the county. Each garage oversees designated areas, and supervisors and foreman of garages identify repair needs in their areas. The garage closest to Clarkston is on Clarkston Road in Orion Township.

Old roads are falling apart everywhere.

"We do not have money for major projects like reconstructing older roads, so our roads are deteriorating," Bryson said.



Jim White from Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram shows damage from hitting a pothole. This tire came off of a brand new Chrysler 300. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Instead of long-term repairs, quick pothole fixes are done instead.

RCOC funding decreased tremendously over years for many reasons. Bryson said unemployment was up and people were driving less, driving more fuel efficient vehicles and paying less in fuel taxes all impacted funding for roads.

Bryson said RCOC has cut 35 percent of staff since 2007.

Over the next 20 years, changes in federal laws requiring more fuel efficient vehicles will impact road budgets more.

RCOC's 2015 budget, just over \$100 million, is \$7.2 million less than the 2014 budget mostly due to a decrease in federal money.

On May 5, voters will decide on raising Michigan sales tax increase from 6 to 7 percent. The tax increase would provide \$1.3 billion for road repairs, tax cuts for low-income residents, \$300 million in additional funding to schools, and millions more in funding to local governments.

Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle said even if voters say "yes" on May 5, funding to communities for roads could take almost a year.

Kittle proposed a partnership with the RCOC to supply \$250,000 in material costs while the commission would provide equipment and labor at no cost.

To fund the partnership, Kittle added no programs would be cut, instead it would come from the township's \$300,000-\$400,000 sur-

If the partnership occurs, township officials can direct crews to road areas needing repair the most. Major streets like Clarkston, Waldon and Maybee would be a priority.

Township trustees Andrea Schroeder and David Lohmeier are leery of the partnership, fearing RCOC would complete repairs with township funding.

Schroeder said if the township pays up, the RCOC may spend less than they would have because they will assume the township will pay out of its general fund.

Lohmeier agreed, saying residents should get to vote on such a decision.

Bryson said a deal between the RCOC and Independence Township would not affect the amount of money spent for road repairs in the township.

Kittle said talks about communities joining forces to purchase their own road repair equipment is in the works.

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Parking ticket fines fall short

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Clarkston News Staff Writer

Karen Sansone is livid over a parking ticket in downtown Clarkston.

"Tickets like this will deter people from coming to Clarkston," said Sansone, who received two parking tickets while visiting downtown businesses.

A two-hour time limit is not enough time to visit, said Sansone, who is a part of a knitting group at Basketful of Yarn.

She called the city to complain, and she was told all-day parking in the Main and Washington lot was gone.

City Council voted in January to set a two-hour time limit for parking downtown.

Two all-day parking lots remain, one behind the Mills Mall, and another by City Hall by Depot Park. Some visitors cannot make such a trip, Sansone said.

"Most of our group is in our 60's and 70's," she added. "We are too old to make that journey from the all-day parking lots."

Although the city is issuing tickets, collecting the money from fines is an is-

City Manager Carol Eberhardt said the city is not collecting enough fines for parking tickets.

City administrator Marcy Rotondo said 82 tickets have been issued since January, for more than \$820 in fines. However, only 43 tickets have been paid, with \$630 collected in fines. Fines are \$10 for parking violations. Parking in handicap cost drivers \$150 and parking in a loading zone, \$35.

At a March 26 meeting, the council amended parking in the code enforcement budget to include a \$1,200 increase due to supply needs and other budgeting issues. A budget amendment also included lowering the original amount the city projected collecting in parking tickets from \$4,160 in parking tickets to \$1,000.

The \$1,200 increase to the fund includes spending \$1,100 on parking ticket booklets for parking and other code violations, said Treasurer Sandra Barlass.

"These are supplies that will last for years," she added.

Parking enforcement was approved by city council in January.

Enforcing those tickets is another issue with many council members agreeing sending the city attorney to court to fight for small ticket fines is too costly.

Eberhardt said in January, the two-hour limit at parking spots at the corner of Washington and Main streets was constantly violated, and spaces should be left open for people visiting the city.

Questions continue on closed meeting

BY ANDREAM. BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston City Council's closed session, March 9, remains a concern for resident Mark McCloy.

"Do all council members agree to the rationale of a closed meeting," McCloy asked at the March 26 Clarkston City Council meeting. "I fail to understand why the council cannot say 'we may have made a mistake' and 'we have learned' and that talking behind closed doors about a environmental issue about a commercial property is not public business with a right to

Mayor Joe Luginski, and council members Mike Sabol and Eric Haven said they stand behind their vote to enter closed session.

Councilman Tom Hunter, who also voted to enter closed session, said his understanding was the city attorney did not draw up a memo before the closed session, which would have guaranteed the session was legal. His vote was cast based on attorney advice.

Councilwoman Sharron Catallo recused herself before the March 9 meeting over conflict of interest and council member David Marsh was absent.

Council member Richard Bisio, who voted against closed session, said he still considers it an illegal act by the city.

He agreed preparing a memo would have made the meeting legit and not a violation of the Open Meetings Act.

If there were enough council member votes to enter the session was also questioned.

Bisio, an attorney, said closed session requires two-thirds of of the seven elected members to enter. He and Ryan disagreed whether that meant four or five.

Bisio said he plans to ask state officials about the number of votes required for a closed session.

"I will perhaps ask our state representative to seek an opinion from the attorney general as to what that phrase in the Open Meetings Act means, and whether a council can reduce the number of votes required for a closed meeting by having one or more members recuse themselves," Bisio said.

If minutes from the session will be made public is also a concern.

Clerk Sandy Miller said minutes from the March 9 session were not yet completed. Also, usually any minutes from closed sessions are put into a white envelope, sealed and placed in the city vault.

Luginski said he does not recall the city having many closed sessions or ever getting minutes from those sessions.

"Minutes should be presented to council in a closed session," said Bisio.

He insisted before the meeting occurred



Jesse Moyet

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kind of be-

it was a violation of the Open Meetings Act, which is a law defining when the public can be shut out from meetings.

Bisio said OMA did not include holding a closed session for an oral discussion that did not contain legal advice from the attorney.

Luginski said four of five council members voted yes to enter the session, which was evoked by city attorney Tom Ryan at the March 9 meeting under attorney-client privilege.

Before the closed session, Bisio insisted it should not be held to discuss retention and detention storm-water issues over a downtown property.

Bisio later disclosed meeting details and said Ryan sought advice from council on how to proceed with talks with the 148 Main Street Developer.

Open Meetings Act permits public bodies to enter closed sessions on certain occasions such as discussing personnel matters, evaluating and disciplining an employee, collective bargaining, property purchase negotiation, and discussion of employment applications.

Closed sessions are permitted to with city legal council only if an open meeting would have a "detrimental financial effect" on the city's position.

The council can go into closed session to discuss material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal law, but "a board is not permitted to go into closed session to discuss an attorney's oral opinion, as opposed to a written legal memorandum."

City officials breaking the law is a major concern for many residents.

"So what good is a council that seems to not follow rules/laws that have been set in place. Am I missing something here," asked Jesse Moyet of Independence Township on Facebook. "This is the kind of behavior that gives politicians a bad name, this right here."

City officials said Ryan will be at the next meeting to discuss why he suggested the closed session.

Briefly

City nominates Clark for Citizen award

City of Clarkston nominated resident Bart Clark for Citizen of the Year for Clarkston Community Awards on May 19. Clark donated \$100,000 for a new bridge in Depot Park.

Clark and his wife Diane donated the money in honor of Clark's brother, Jeff, who passed away before he could move from California to Clarkston.

Hyer elected to board

Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education President Steve Hyer has been elected to the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) Board of Directors to serve a one-year term for Group V.

MASB is governed by a 19-member Board of Directors made up of two directors from each of the eight regions in the state, and one additional director from each of three groups.

Directors are elected by MASB member districts to establish and implement the nonprofit association's policies and decisions.

Abuse awareness

City of Clarkston voted to approve an official proclamation recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness month, via a request from CARE House of Oakland County, a facility that provides numerous services for abuse children.

"This is an excellent opportunity for your municipality to demonstrate its support in ending child abuse and to support the numerous victims who are among us," wrote Care House Executive Director Patricia Rosen.

Easter Seals car raffle

Bowman Chevrolet hosts a Classic Car Show and Raffle to benefit Easter Seals, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, April 18, at the dealership, 6750 Dixie Highway.

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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

Kudos to winter sports

Congratulations to all the winter sports teams and your achievements! It was a great season and awesome to watch. It was also great to see the Jungle come alive during each game and the crowds get bigger for the different events.

A great showing of Clarkstonites were at the MHSAA Class A Boys Basketball Quarterfinals at Calihan Hall on March 24. It was great to see those stands filled with blue and gold from former and current

students, family and members of the community.

And the excitement when senior Andrew Myers hit the 3-pointer with seconds to go in the game to tie the score was energetic.



The ending of the game was less energetic as the Wolves lost. Fans and family were there afterwards gathered in the hallway to greet the players as they descended down the stairs from the locker rooms.

Coaches comment a lot on how athletics, like anything else, teaches students with both wins and losses. It does - with a loss in a game you learn the lesson, stand back up and keep trying.

After the Wolves' loss I will admit I wanted a piece of chocolate. Doesn't watching a ending like that deserve a small delectable piece of dairy, cocoa beans and sugar blended together? The answer is no. For I am back on my plan with Nuview Nurtrition and I have been since January.

I didn't talk about it before because I didn't want to admit I had lost the battle. See, the last time I was on the plan my sugar cravings, my biggest downfall, were battled.

The first half of 2014 I was put on a supplement and my sugar cravings came back. I didn't go back to my old habits and it wasn't as bad as before - I was still off the pop and sugary coffee drinks. But if I had a craving it wouldn't leave.

So I had a craving after the Wolves' loss and like the players I bounced back. My bounce back probably took a shorter amount of time. Five minutes was all I needed and the craving passed.

As for the aisles of sugary holiday treats I can't avoid. But I counter it - I buy chocolate for my boyfriend (a bit of role reversal on that one). I also buy candy for my best friend, who is craving sweets right now. Honestly I don't know how I will pass my cravings onto her when she gives birth to her baby.

Opinion Pages Letters, columns & Editorials

Sashabaw info online, supervisor says

Dear Editor,

There was a recent Letter to the Editor voicing a concern the new I-75 Sashabaw Road construction project did not have a left turn lane for North Sashabaw to North I-75 ("Reader finds flaw in Sashabaw plan" -- "the left turn from northbound Sashabaw will not be changed; we will still have to turn left against south bound traffic coming over the hill," March 18).

This statement is not accurate. There is a dedicated left turn lane to north I-75 being

added at this high accident location.

All residents are encouraged to visit the new township website to check out all the elements of this road project.

From the township website (www.indtwp.com) click on Planned Improvements under the heading Proposed Interchange Improvements I-75 & Sashabaw. A full color map with construction areas highlighted is available for you.

Patrick Kittle, supervisor Independence Township

Pride in students' help for classmate in need

Dear Editor,

A kindergarten student was diagnosed with diabetes, and his family wants him to use a therapy dog, which is costly ("Kindergartners rally around classmate, living with diabetes," March 18).

Our students participated in a "Quarter War," in conjunction with Spirit Week. The "war" was between Upper El, third-fifth grades, and Lower El, K-second, and

the kids brought in quarters all week. Together, the whole school raised over \$800, and all proceeds will be given to this child's family to help obtain the therapy dog.

I am beyond proud of these students and families who pulled together to help one of our own.

Jeanna Klebba Independence Township



U.S. Rep. Mike Bishop at Clarkston DaVita Dialysis Center. Photo provided

Congressman checks out DaVita

U.S. Congressman Mike Bishop, R-District 8, visited the Clarkston DaVita Dialysis Center on March 12, World Kidney Day, to meet patients and care givers and learn about dialysis and the kidney care needs of local constituents.

"I appreciated the opportunity to talk with patients, nurses and administrators at DaVita on World Kidney Day to see how the service they provide aids those with ESRD and kidney disease, right here in our community. With thousands of Michigan residents relying on dialysis today, we must work to ensure this life-saving care is accessible and sustained," Bishop said.

DaVita invited the congressman to tour the dialysis center, learn more about kidney disease, and hear how the kidney care community is working with Congress to help protect people with kidney failure who depend upon dialysis treatments to live.

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 2000

"Receding waters prompt neighbors and officials to consider action" Lake Waldon Village residents wanted to know why their lake, Gulick Lake, was drying up when it was once eight feet deep. The Oakland County Sheriff's Department Marine Division investigated many declining lakes in Oakland County and said Gulick's was severe - with depth two feet or less and 95 yards of muck to where water starts.

"AP classes offer jump start to college" It pays to think ahead and many Clarkston High School students were among many in the nation thinking ahead by taking Advanced Placement classes. Judy Medlin, AP coordinator and counselor at the high school, said the number of classes doubled since 1994 and the enrollment was up to 245 students.

"Massage parlor shut down" Police didn't expect to charge business or property owners with prostitution or other offenses connected to a raid on Dixie Highway. PK's Salon had not reopened since the raid occurred and the township was looking into building violations.

25 years ago - 1990

"Delay in mailing census forms" Independence Township residents paid attention to U.S. Census Bureau advertisements to fill out forms by April 4 but many had not received them by April 1 due to a delay. The delay occurred when there was a mix up with zipcodes and information on addresses they bureau didn't have.

"Board alters superintendent evaluation process" Clarkston Community Schools adopted a new method of evaluating the superintendent and determined the criteria and procedures for the evaluation in a four-hour special meeting.

"Celebration for 25th anniversary of Bailey Lake" The 25th Anniversary of Bailey Lake Elementary was celebrated for a whole week by children, parents, faculty and former staff members.

50 years ago - 1965

"Pair arrested following grocery store hold up" Quick action and alertness on the part of two Clarkston residents led to an arrest of armed robbers following at hold up at Stagecoach Grocery in Springfield Township.

"Forensic contest winners named"
Thirty-seven Clarkston High School students competed for ten league positions in the local forensic contest.

"Local news" Dale Sinclair was confined to his house with the chicken pox.

It's only political in the middle

Lucille Ball said, "That stuff needs splainin." (Or maybe it was her Cuban husband Desi Arnaz . . . whatever.)

This old guys says, "My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance to idiots that needs work."

I've been writing long hand since my mother taught me the rubber end of a pencil didn't leave a trace. But, the lead end makes so many mistakes, I quickly run out of rubber ends. It's lonely up and down here.

Explain that thought to me sometime.

* The biggest lie I tell myself is . . . "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."

*Look how far I've gone in this column without getting political. It's over!

Thomas Jefferson said, "The democracy will cease to exist when you take

away from those who are Jim's willing to work and give **Jottings** it to those would not."

> One more: John F. Kennedy had a diner at the White House for a group of the brightest minds in the nation at that time. He made this statement: "This is perhaps the assembly of the most intelligence ever to gather at one time in the White

House with the exception of when Thomas Jefferson dined alone."

a column by

Jim Sherman

Stay with me on this for at least a little while. President Obama put the word "Dhimmitude" in his health care bill and health care law.

My reader affirmed it is a real word. Dhimmitude is the Muslim system of controlling non-Muslim populations conquered through jihad (Holy War). Specifically, it is the TAXING of non-Muslims in exchange for tolerating their presence AND as a coercive means of converting conquered remnants to Islam.

So, I as a Christian may have crippling IRS liens placed on all my assets, and could face prison time because I refuse to buy insurance or pay the penalty tax.

Louis Farrakkan (the Muslim) will pay no such penalty and will have 100 percent of his health needs paid for by the defacto government insurance.

Non-Muslims will be paying a tax to subsidize Muslims. This is Dhimmitude!

I wonder if Nancy Pelosi, or anyone else in Congress read this beauty before it was passed into Obama's arsenal?

* Marriage changes passion. Suddenly you're in bed with a relative.

* I am a nobody: Nobody is perfect, and therefore I am perfect.

* Sign in a Chinese pet store: "Buy one dog, get one flea."

* If flying is so safe, why do they call

the airport the "terminal?"

* I don't approve of political jokes, I've seen too many of them get elected.

Yoga Pants, Part 2 (no foolin')

Okay you out there in Readerland, you may now call me "Don, Don, the fashion mon." Or Don, Fashion Nazi -- your call (and sorry for the phonetics up there). But, who woulda thunk when I asked, "Moms, Dads you know yoga pants put on display for the entire world to see, the shape and every contour of your daughter's undercarriage -- front and back -- don't you?" that all fashion hell would break Don't

loose?

Well, some did. And, lots responded. To those who have called me a creepy, old guy, I respectfully ask you to reread what I wrote, not between the lines.

Thank you Don! I am so sick of all these young girls running around in these overly revealing pants! They are not meant to be worn as they are now. A column by Even as a 19-year-old female, I am dis- Don Rush turbed by this so called fashion! I re-

ally enjoyed the reference of if they wore the same things on their tops. Now if only parents would understand what a big issue this is! Thank you, Taylor B.

Don, simply put, you cannot change fashion. Are yoga pants the only trend in fashion you've ever disagreed with? I certainly hope not. Also, I think you've found the wrong side to the pants. Many women/girls DO wear them with something covering their "blankity-blanks" or are using them for their real purpose of yoga, and not for everyday wear. I respect your viewpoint, from the eyes of a dad, but who are you to try to change the trend? Many girls today say they wear leggings not to express their hips, but because they're comfortable. Did that come to mind? Maybe the girls aren't trying to per-

suade men, or whoever the targets to their bodies are, but rather putting themselves first and wear them for comfort concerns. Brock S

Please quit your job -- Jacob V up at MSU

I agree whole heartily with you on yoga pants showing off girls fronts & backs of their hoo-haw area. If parents give you any flak on your comments ask them to ask their daughters what the slang is for when their yoga pants are too tight in front. I'd be willing to bet most teen girls know what it means. And if the parents then think this is ok for their daughters, well society has & keeps going down hill at a faster rate than inflation. I'm sorry for any parent who thinks it's up to the person viewing their daughters hoo-haw to look away or not have "thoughts." Grow up & get a pair-put a suggestive picture in front of your grandfather & see if HIS thoughts remain pure. Susan C.

At first, when I read the headline, I was hoping for the best. I was hoping someone would contribute a well thought out column on how yoga pants should not be a big deal in schools and in Clarkston, in general. I was utterly disappointed. This column was nothing but absolute trash. I am infuriated people still actually believe clothing someone chooses to wear is the problem here. What I got out of your column was these young girls, and their parents, are the ones to blame for the creepy man stares. How is this even correct? Do you pay attention to feminist news at all?! Actually, news in general? I was really hoping Clarkston would be up to speed with basic issues our women face today, but I am completely wrong. Clothing is never the issue. It's "creepy" men who are deciding to make a piece of clothing something it is not. But it's okay because the creepy men don't know any better, right? Wrong. I truly hope you will come to your senses because this is

absolutely terrible. This column made me ashamed I am from Clarkston. I did not believe there were idiots who would still blame 12-year-old girls for getting looks from men in this town. I was definitely wrong. Please inform yourself of the times because men like you are the ones to blame. -- Shelby H

And, from another mom . . . Schools banning yoga pants is not surprising. Nor is it suppressing anyone. For all the parents who think it's acceptable, there are an equal number saying they disagree. Schools have no choice but to try to make the best of a less than ideal situation.

At the end of the day, yoga pants are still workout attire. Banning them is essentially no worse than saying you can't wear a bikini or Speedo to class. Sure, some kids are comfortable in them, but it doesn't make it right. Swim wear belongs at the beach or pool. Not in the classroom. Being comfortable in something doesn't mean it's appropriate.

Dress codes have existed forever, and they have to constantly change with the changes in fashion. When I was in school, I had to wear shorts that reached my knee. They were nearly impossible to find, and I hated them. But I sucked it up, and wore them, and changed into something else when I got home. Every job I've ever had, had a dress code. Did it always match what I WANTED to wear? No. But it wasn't up to me. Schools and businesses make the rules, and we can either choose to deal with it when we're there, or go somewhere else.

And finally from Todd W, "as a father of three daughters... I agree."

Oh, there is more, believe me . . . there is more to be said, like: "Guys, pull your pants up to the waist."

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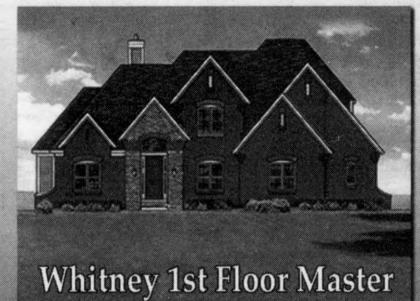
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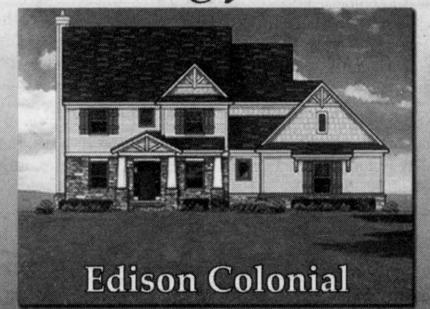
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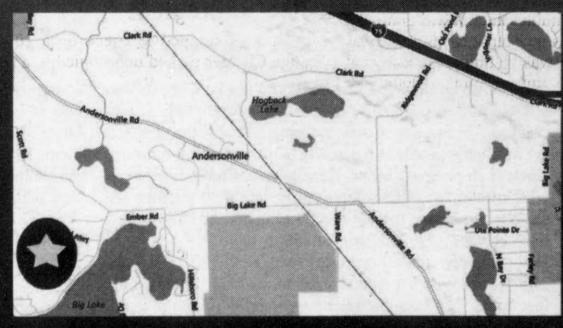
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Phone fraud

An Independence Township man received a cell phone bill for \$268 for service and two phones, March 16, even though he didn't have an account.

Trespassing

A 55-year-old Independence Township man was cited with trespassing at a bank in the 5000 block of Sashabaw Road, 10:02 a.m., March 12. His account was closed in January and he was barred from the bank for bizarre, threatening behavior. A deputy asked why he went to the bank when he knew he wasn't allowed there, and he said he wanted paperwork on everything he did there.

Domestic violence

A 28-year-old resident in the 5000 block of Upland Drive was arrested for domestic violence, 10:12 p.m., March 13. His girlfriend, a 25-year-old resident, said he slapped her in the face and threw objects around the apartment during an argument on March 13, and on March 11 during an allnight argument, he flicked a cigarette at her and it burned her neck. She had a cigarettesize burn on her neck when deputies took the report.

Tax scams

An Independence Township man filed his taxes and discovered someone already filed a return in his name, March 13.

When an Independence Township couple filed their tax returns jointly, March 23, they were told someone already filed using their Social Security numbers.

An Independence Township resident received a State of Michigan tax refund in the mail, March 23, even though he hadn't filed his taxes yet. Someone had used his information to file online. He contacted the IRS and the state.

An Independence Township couple's had already been filed using the husband's Social Security number, March 24.

Heroin depression

A 27-year-old Independence Township resident was taken to St. Joseph's hospital for mental health commitment, 1:19 p.m., March 14. He said he was depressed over his readdiction to heroin and his girlfriend leaving him, was feeling suicidal, and needed help.

Dumpster fire

A resident was out walking his dog at E. Church Street and S. Main Street when he saw smoke coming from the dumpster behind the Clarkston DPW building and called it in, 7:32 a.m., March 15. He said he didn't see anyone around the dumpster. Independence Township firefighters extinguished the fire, which caused minor damage to the plastic doors and paint. Deputies didn't find anything suspicious inside the dumpster.

Public Safety For Clarkston and Independence Township

Garage fire

Careless disposal of smoking materials caused a garage fire in the 8000 block of W. Ellis Road, 1:53 a.m., March 16. Springfield Township firefighters put out the fire. No injuries were reported. A Oakland County Sheriff's Fire Investigator was called to assist.

Suspended license

A 24-year-old Independence Township man was stopped for having an expired registration tab on his car, 6:21 p.m., March 17, at Dixie Highway and Andersonville Road. He was cited for driving with a suspended license, expired plate, and no proof of insurance.

Doors open

A resident of the 5000 block of Skyline Court arrived home, 5:18 p.m., March 22, and found her garage door open, laundry door to the house open, and the dog was running around the yard. Nothing found missing or disturbed. A vehicle was in the driveway unlocked with a garage door opener inside, and the door from the garage to the house was unlocked.

Vehicle taken

A gas station employee in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway was getting ready to close, 9:49 p.m., March 22, when she started her minivan to warm it up. When she was ready to leave, the vehicle was gone.

Thefts at businesses

Someone took a wallet from an employee's unlocked locker, March 21, in the 4000 block of Clintonwood Road.

joint tax return was rejected because a return An employee working in the 4000 block of Clintonwood Road left her cell phone on a cart when she went to the vending machines, 5:28 p.m., March 23. When she returned five minutes later, it was gone.

> A White Lake man reported his wallet was taken while he was getting some x-rays at his doctor's appointment in the 5000 block of Bow Pointe Drive, 11:40 a.m., March 24.

Man rescued

Deputies responded to the 11000 block of Andersonville Road for a family trouble incident, 8:12 p.m., March 26. The wife said she and her husband were arguing when he went to the basement. Deputies found the husband, a 34-year-old Springfield Township man, hanging from a belt around his neck. They cut him down and gave him CPR until he began to breathe on his own. Springfield Township paramedics arrived and assumed medical care. Star EMS transported the subject to an area hospital for medical treatment and psychiatric evaluation.

Marijuana arrest

A 15-year-old Independence Township boy was arrested for Possession of Marijuana in a Drug Free School Zone, Resisting and Obstructing a Police Officer and Assault and Battery, 8:22 a.m., March 23.

Deputies were called to Renaissance Alternative High School by a school liaison deputy. The deputy was assisting the school principal with a student who was believed to have marijuana in his possession while on school property.

When the deputy attempted to search the boy, he pushed the principal and fled. The school liaison deputy attempted to stop the subject and he refused to comply with commands. The deputy used his Taser to regain control of the 15-year-old, who was taken into custody without further incident. Upon searching the subject, deputies found several marijuana cigarettes concealed on his person.

He was taken to Children's Village pending issuance of a juvenile petition on the charges. Investigation continues.

Drug laced brownies

A 58-year-old resident of the 7700 block of Phelan Drive thought he was having a stroke after he inadvertantly ate several brownies with marijuana in them, 8:25 p.m., March 26. His 17-year-old daughter said she baked them the night before. The man was treated by Independence Township paramedics and taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Pontiac. The remaining brownies were transported to the lab for analysis. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft in progress

Deputies stopped to check on a 2014 Dodge Charger parked unoccupied in a remote area on Tindall Road within sight of Szott Ford Automotive Dealer, in the 8000 block of E. Holly Road, 3:35 a.m., March 28. Inside the vehicle was a pair of bolt cutters. Checked the dealership, the officers discovered a chain securing one of the vehicle storage lots had been cut, two vehicles had their wheels removed, and another two appeared to be in the process of having them removed. All four vehicles had a window broken out and wheel locks removed from the glove boxes where they were stored. The suspect vehicle was impounded and a hold placed on it for the Sheriff's Auto Theft Unit. A floor jack and two tire irons where also found at the scene and taken as evidence. The incident remains under investigation.



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Wolves' heartbreaker finish

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Senior Andrew Myers caught the pass from senior Jonah Newblatt with less than eight seconds to go in the MHSAA Class A Boys Basketball Quarterfinals last Tuesday at University of Detroit - Mercy's Calihan Hall.

He quickly shot the ball with Clarkston fans cheering in excitement and scored on a 3-pointer and tying the score at 54 points with University of Detroit - Jesuit.

The Cubs' Cassius Winston broke the tie in the last play of the game, scoring before the buzzer sounded winning the game for Jesuit, 56-54.

"He was the difference in the game," said Dan Fife, long-time head coach for Clarkston Varsity Basketball team, after the game. "It was a good play. We had a tough time guarding him. If we would have won, they would have had a tough time guarding Myers and the last game Foster Loyer."

Myers led the Wolves with 28 points eight of which were scored at the beginning of the final quarter to boost the boys from a 5-point deficit to a 51-50 lead with five minutes remaining in the game.

"He played his heart out," Fife added. "You've got to love that kid and his competitive spirit. He kept us in the whole game and got buckets. He made plays when we needed them and tied it up. It was a great effort - physically and mentally. He's a good example of what a Clarkston kid is about."

Myers opened the game for the Wolves with a 3-pointer off and assist from Newblatt then added another 3-pointer two minutes later, following senior Josh Bonzheim's basket.

The Wolves finished the first quarter with a 12-10 lead after Loyer scored four points at the free throw line,

Junior Tabin Throgmorton opened the second quarter with five points with one 3pointer in the mix. Myers added one more basket before the Cubs went on a 13-2 run to take control of the board.

Fife added they had a hard time guarding Winston and size was a factor with the Cubs having two players standing at 6'9".

"Early on in the shots we avoided contact or initiating contact that was the difference right there," Fife added. "We talked about it - to initiate the contact which seems the way to do it in high school ball even college ball. You initiate contact instead of avoiding contact. We adjusted. They did a good job guarding Foster. I talked about it earlier – I have two point guards who can play and Myers came through for us. He has been there all year."

The Wolves finished the season 24-1 and have seven returners coming back next year including Loyer and Throgmorton, who scored 13 points in the final game.

"I feel good about these kids," Fife said. "They know how to work hard."



Foster Loyer and Merrick Canada block the Cubs' high score. Photo by Larry Wright

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



The Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

Kings of the court

The Wolves met a lot of their goals this season including breaking into the Elite Eight after their MHSAA Class A Boys Basketball Region Championship win on March 18 for the first time since 2009.

Dan Fife, long-time head coach of Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball, added the boys were right back to off-season conditioning after last year's spring break.

"There were getting in the weight room said. "More importantly they weren't just bringing themselves but bringing others. Honestly Clarkston basketball getting to this moment and wanting to get back, trying to live up to the legacy before them."

The boys finished the season in the MHSAA Class A Boys Basketball Quarterfinals against University of Detroit - Jesuit, 56-54. It was their first loss of the season as the Wolves ended 24-1.

During the season the boys claimed their ninth consecutive OAA Red title going 10-0 in the league against Southfield, Southfield-Lathrup, North Farmington,

Bloomfield Hills and Rochester Adams.

They also won the district championship with their third win over Rochester Adams for the season.

The boys bid farewell to eight seniors -Brad Austin, Josh Bonzheim, Merrick Canada, Cole Chewins, Andrew Myers, Jonah Newblatt, Will Scarlett and Dayton Wallis.

Returners include freshmen Foster and doing the things they need to do," he Loyer, CJ Robinson; juniors Mitch Heaton, Ryan Holmes, Kordell Kirkland, Luke Rekuta and Tabin Throgmorton.

> Team managers include Jacob Doll, Matt McClaughry and Alex Ward.

> "I feel good about these kids," said Fife. "They know how to work hard and they are leaving better people because they know what it takes. They aren't going to quit. I am fortunate to coach kids like this."

> It was a special year for Canada, Chewins, Scarlett and Heaton as they finished with a 38-1 combined record in their football and basketball seasons for the 2014-2015 athletic year.



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Lacrossers net first wins for the spring season

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The cold weather wasn't going to stop the lacrosse teams from getting on the field and playing their first week of games last week.

The Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse team beat Hartland last Thursday, 5-4.

The game was tied at one point at the end of the first quarter. Hartland took the lead before the second quarter ended with a goal. Both teams scored a goal in the third quarter ending and the Eagles held onto the lead, 4-3.

"We played like it was our first game," said Brian Kaminskas, head coach. "Right now it is early in the season and we aren't playing up to the standards we set for them. We are happy to get the win."

The game shifted in the final quarter as the Wolves scored three goals to take the lead.

"The guys buckled down," Kaminskas added about the second half. "Kids who know and have been around the program get to the point where they say 'we are going to go out there and do what



Maddie DeClercq pushes through Marian's defense in 2014. File photo by Wendi Reardon

needs to be done. We are going to play how we are supposed to play together and do things right.' It was a little slow, but they started to come together a little more."

Austin Egler led the team with four goals and Liam Stickle scored one goal and had one assist.

David Taylor had 13 saves in

the net and his clearing was 92 percent.

"David is without a doubt one of the reasons we won against Hartland," Kaminskas added.

The boys opened the season with a win at Grosse Pointe South on March 24, 10-6.

"It was a good win against who

I believe will be a better team from the east side this year," Kaminskas said, adding the boys had the first game jitters. "Overall they played well and we got a lot of guys on the field. We kicked off the season the right way."

The boys host Solon on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

"Solon is an absolute Midwest powerhouse no doubt about it," Kaminskas said. "The nice thing is traditionally so are we. It's going to be fun. It will be a nice early season battle of two very good teams. We had a nice practice over the weekend. The sole focus is to make sure we come out and do our job. It should be a really good game."

The Wolves return from spring break to host Troy on April 13, 7 p.m.

The Lady Wolves Varsity Lacrosse team won their home opener against Swartz Creek, 20-6.

"It was a confidence booster," said Leeanne Stickle, head coach, adding the team was able to work through a lot of things.

"It's hard to really put it into play

until you are in the game," she said. "It helped them prepare for tougher teams we are going to go against. It also helped the girls with what I am looking for as a coach - passing, slowing it down, and things we talk about during practice and need to put it into play. It is easier to see in a game and for me to give them feedback."

Sabrina Parks led the team with five goals. Rebecca Stiles, Maddie DeClercq and Jillian Kurolvech had three goals each.

Stickle added everyone made at least one shot on the net.

Alyssa Davis made five save in the net as Parks and Kelly Manssur led in groundballs. Stiles won 13 draw controls.

The Lady Wolves return from break to play in two away game at Rochester Adams, April 14, and Troy, April 15.

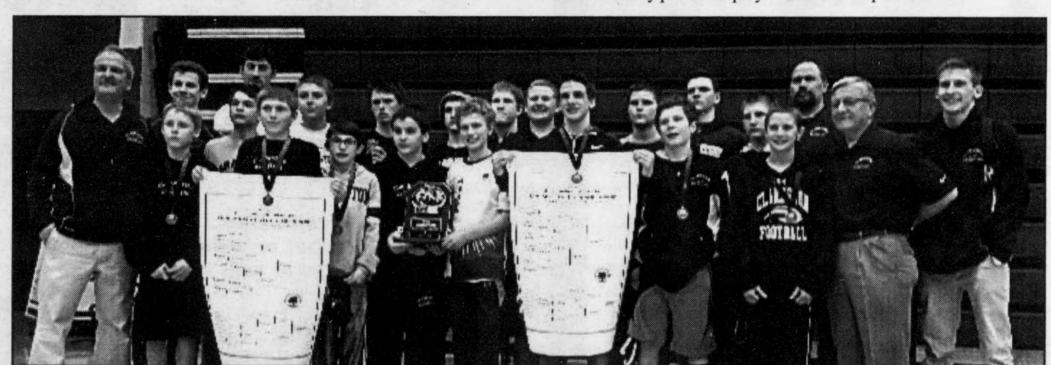
"They are excited for the next game," Stickle said. "As long as they continue to work as hard as they have been in practices and don't get over confident with this win then we will do good. We need to not let up."

Wolves top county meet

Grapplers finished third place at the Oakland County Meet at Lake Orion High School, March 14.

The eighth grade wrestling team from Clarkston Junior High School competed against the best middle school teams in the

Jake Billette and Nathan Murray finished as county championship after winning their weight classes



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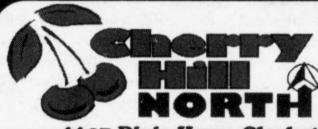


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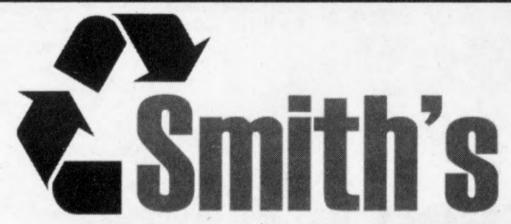
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Eleanor Engelhard, 76

Eleanor A. Engelhard of Davisburg, formerly of Toms River and Beachwood, NJ, surrounded by her loving family, died March 16, 2015, at 76 years.

She was the beloved wife of Karl for 56 years; dearest mother of Debbie (Robert) Wagner, Tom Engelhard and Bruce (Nicole) Engelhard; adoring grandmother of Robbie, Kim, Karly, Katie, Kayla, Bailey, and Riley; sister of Lois (Harold) Hodousek and beloved aunt to her many nieces and nephews.

Eleanor was a beautiful woman with many accomplishments; a licensed beautician, first female account executive for the Asbury Park Press, but most important she was a loving wife, mother and family matriarch. She enjoyed crafts, knitting and crocheting.

Eleanor was active with the Hart Center in Davisburg and Christ Lutheran Church.

A Memorial Service was March 20 at Christ Lutheran Church in Waterford. Burial and services are also taking place in New Jersey. Memorials may be made to Hart Community Center/Parks & Recreation, 50+ Active Adults, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350. Arrangements entrusted to Coats Funeral Home, Clarkston. To send a condolence please visit www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/ Obituaries.

Harold Wilson, 80

Harold Wilson of Clarkston passed away March 27, 2015, at age 80.

He was the husband of Thelma; father of Deb, Melinda (Jerry) Altenbernt, Rick, Bill (Marlene), Mike (Stacey), Dave and Jason; grandpa of Heather (Eric) Ignash, Katie Altenbernt, Quinton Wilson, Kevin Altenbernt and Adam Wilson; brother of Fred (Peggy); preceded in death by his parents Elmer and Ollie.

Harold retired from General Motors and enjoyed the outdoors.

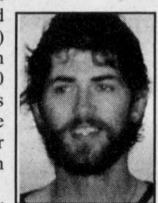
Funeral service was March 31at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to a church of your choice. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Obituaries & Obituaries

Daryl L. Cohoon, 61,

Daryl Leroy Cohoon, 61, of Hillman, Mich., formerly of Clarkston, died suddenly on March 7, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Feb. 14, 1954, to Russell and (Kenyon) Doris Cohoon. He lived in Hillman for the past 30 years and spent 20 years working at Wayne Wire here. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Alpena.



Daryl loved to play cards, especially Texas Hold Em. He enjoyed motorcyles and loved to bowhunt. Above all else he enjoyed time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Daryl is survived by his daughters, Anna Cohoon of Gaylord and Pearl Klein of Cheboygan, MI; son, Travis Cohoon of Hillman; grandchildren, Deacon, Dyanie, Kyron, Justice, Dezyrae, Norah, Andrew, Ira, Hayley, Jimmy, and Zachary; brothers, Earl (Dee) of Hillman, Albert (Lettie) of Lake City, FL, David (Judy) of Holly, MI, Roger (Lucy) of Clarkston, MI, Ron (Patti Jo) of Belleville, MI, and Russ (Patty) Cohoon of Hillman; sisters, Judy (Jim) Jidas of Clarkston, MI, Connie (Jim) Chenoweth of Hillman, MI, Sheila (Gary) LaFleche of Hillman, and Barbara Cohoon of Tecumseh, MI; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Russell and Doris, and a sister, Anita. As were his wishes, cremation has taken place. A celebration of his life was on March 22 at the Rust Township Hall. Condolence messages may be sent to via Green Funeral **Home** at www.greenfuneralhomes.com.

Obituaries posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

Joyce S. Mackey, 96

Joyce S. Mackey of Clarkston passed away March 28, 2015, at age 96.

She was the wife of Samuel for 72 years; mother of Susanne (Ted) Smith, Robert (Kathy) Mackey and Nancy (James "Randy") Finn; also survived by nine grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and eight great great grandchildren.



Funeral service was March 31 at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Good News India or Key of Hope.

Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Anna Richardson, 78

Anna Richardson, formerly of Lake City and Clarkston, passed away March 23, 2015, at 78 years of age.

She was the loving wife of the late Donald; dear mother of Jeffrey (Sarafina) Richardson, Belinda Richardson, and Jean (Gregory) Funck; nana of Whitney, Elizabeth, Brianna, Taylor Grace, and Carson; also



survived by two siblings; preceded in death by three siblings.

Anna was a great wife, mother and nana. She was a "classy lady" who enjoyed and loved her family and friends. Interment will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Arrangements entrusted to Coats Funeral Home, Clarkston. To send a condolence visit www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/ Obituaries.

Suzanne Lembke, 78

Suzanne Lembke of Lake Angelus passed away March 26, 2015, at age 78.

She was preceded in death by her husband Bill. She was the mother of Mike (Jean) Lembke, Bryan (Sandee) Lembke and Denise Lembke; Grandma of Arron, Jessica, Jana and Jackson; sister of John Lilliquist and Sandy (Colonel Robert) Abney.



Suzanne earned her Master's Degree from Oakland University and retired from Pontiac School District as an elementary teacher. She volunteered at Crittenton Hospital.

Visitation was March 31 at Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral service, Wednesday, 11 a.m., at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Lake Orion, with visiting at the church after 10 a.m. Private Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Heart Association. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

James Winterbottom, 77

James R. Winterbottom of Davisburg died March 24, 2015, at 77 years of age.

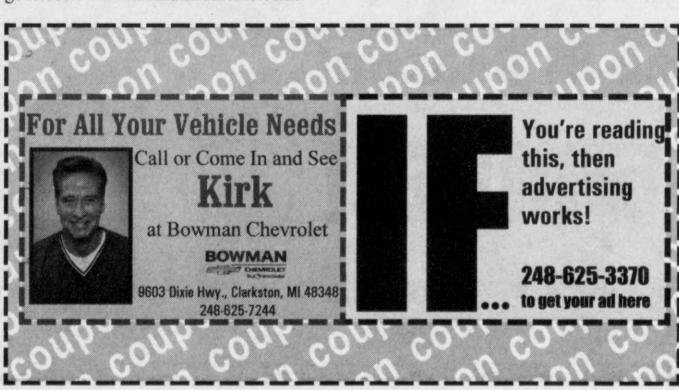
He was born April 2, 1937, in Pontiac, the

son of the late James and Evelyn Winterbottom; beloved husband of Emily; loving father of Michael Winterbottom and Daniel (Vivianna) Winterbottom; dearest grandfather of Ryan, Emily, Blake and Landon; dear brother of Andy (Susan) Winterbottom.



James retired from General Motors with over 30 years of service. He was a member of the Clarkston Eagles and the River Church in Holly. In his free time he enjoyed golfing, taking walks and watching westerns.

A Memorial Service was March 27 at Coats Funeral Home, Clarkston. Pastor Jim Combs officiated. To send a condolence, visit www.CoatsFuneralHome.com/obituaries.





VARSITY ROSTER

- #2 Jack Muhleck
- Joe Kuczmanski
- Jack Kuczmanski
- #5 D.J. Zezula
- Chad Robinson
- **Drew Stewart**
- Zach Scott
- Jake Velisek
- #10 Kevin Miller
- #11 Erich Uhlig
- #13 James Sheffield
- #14 Joe Popp
- #15 Andrew Dalrymple #16 Anthony Reiner
- #17 Liam Hansen
- #18 J.T. King
- #20 Jordan Oliverio
- #22 Foster Loyer
- #23 Nick Schaldenbrand
- #24 Kyle Harvey
- #25 Camden Hadley
- #28 Max Bain
- #32 Barak Momrik

2015 SCHEDULE

- April 15, 4 p.m. vs. Rochester Adams DH
- April 17, 4 p.m. at Rochester Adams April 18, 1 p.m. at Birmingham Seaholm DH
- April 20, 4 p.m. at Stoney Creek DH
- April 22, 4 p.m. vs. Stoney Creek
- April 27, 4 p.m. at Lake Orion DH
- April 29, 4 p.m. vs. Lake Orion
- April 30, 4 p.m. vs. Waterford Kettering DH
- May 5, 4 p.m. vs. Oxford DH
- May 6, 4 p.m. at Oxford
- May 9, 10 a.m. Roy Warner Tournament
- May 11, 4 p.m. vs. Rochester DH
- May 13, 4 p.m. vs. Rochester
- May 16, 10 a.m. Nathan Manuel Tournament
- May 18, 4 p.m. at Waterford Mott DH
- May 21, 4 p.m. at Romeo
- May 22-23, Flint Tournament
- May 26-30 TBA MHSAA District
- June 6, TBD MHSAA Regional
- June 9, TBD MHSAA Quarterfinal
- June 12, TBD MHSAA Semifinal
- June 13, TBD MHSAA Final



2015 Clarkston Varsity Baseball team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Baseball

Wolves hungry for another long season

Hitters made it to the MHSAA Division 1 Baseball Semifinals last season and are anxious to get on the field to make another long run in the playoffs.

"I expect a strong season," said Phil Price, head coach for Wolves' Varsity Baseball. "We have great leaders on our team. We have guys who are experienced. We have quality pitchers who can beat anybody. We can lose to anybody but we can compete with anybody. It's a fun team to coach when you are capable of being very competitive."

"We will be pretty good compared to last year," added senior Kevin Miller. "We have improved a lot."

The Wolves have nine returners from last season - Miller, Max Bain, Andrew Dalrymple, Jordan Oliverio, Joe Popp, Drew Stuart, Erich come back a lot stronger," Steward added. Uhlig, Jake Velisek and DJ Zezula.

"Hopefully they are hungry from last year," said Price. "They had a taste of what it is. It isn't an easy task - you just have to grind your way to another chance this year."

He added the Wolves have a lot of depth this year - which is going to make them better.

"We've got a lot of guys pushing other guys for playing time - it makes for a competitive season," Price said.

New to the team is Camden Hadley, Liam Hanson, Kyle Harvey, JT King, Jack Kuczmanski, Joe Kuczmanski, Foster Loyer, Barak Momrik, Jack Muhleck, Anthony Reiner, Chad Robinson, Zach Scott, Nick Schaldenbrand and James Sheffield.

"We've got a lot of talent," Uhlig said about the entire team. "Last year we had a few who were pretty good but this year we have a lot more - a lot pitching talent and hitting talent."

"A lot of the players from last year have "We also have a lot of good juniors who have joined our team. We should be a solid team this year."

Price added offense and defense should be strong this year.

"It's still early," he noted, as the boys haven't made it out to the field due to weather. "We will be ready to go. We still have time."

The Wolves first game is set for April 15 at home against their first OAA Red league foe Rochester Adams.

"The nice thing about our league is there are no easy teams at all," Price said. "Lake Orion is always strong and they have a good program. Stoney Creek is strong and so is Adams. With Rochester and Oxford in there, too, we are looking forward to it."

As the players aim to have a winning season and go far in playoffs, Price has other goals - be competitive and play Clarkston Baseball every game.

"Win and losses take care of themselves," he added, "You can still play your best and lose, but you want to play quality, fundamental baseball every day. You want to come to play every day. We aren't going to give any games." ~Wendi Reardon

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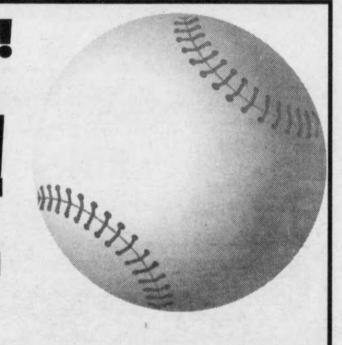
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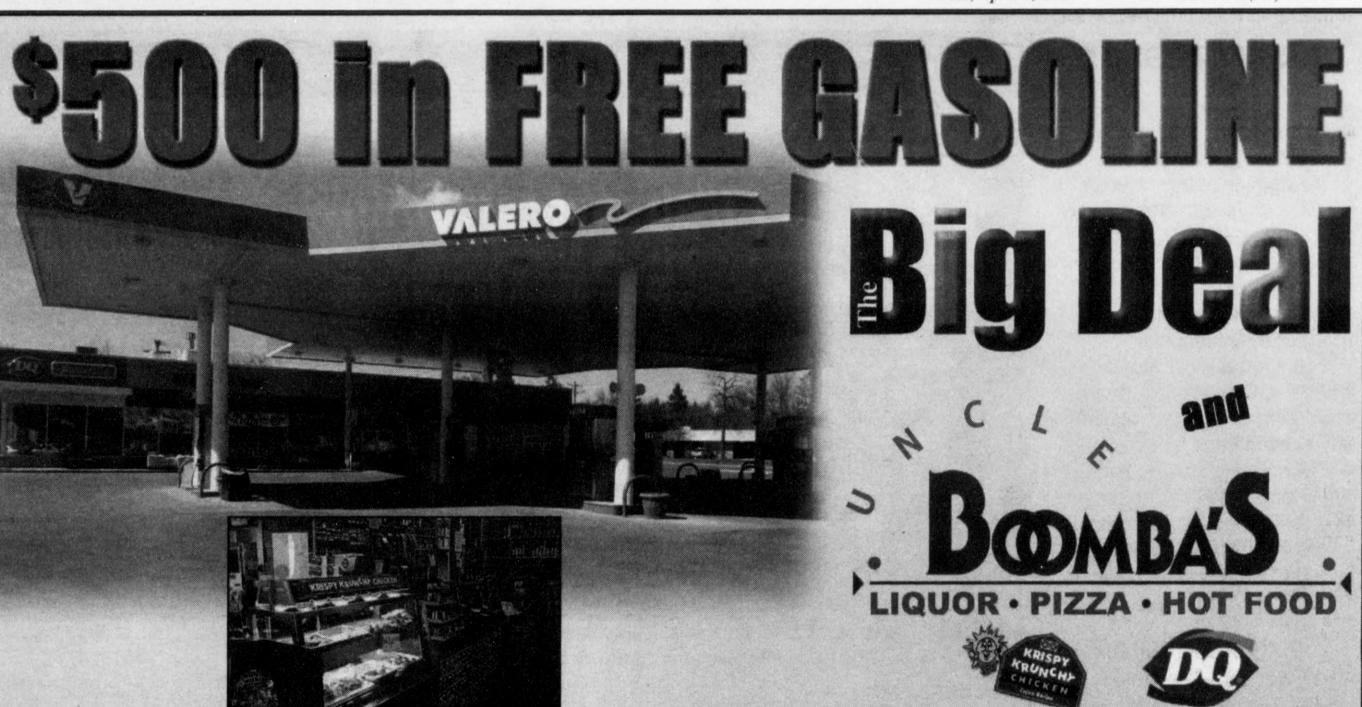
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#4 Olivia Montgomery, senior

#7 Lindsay Runft, senior

#8 Lea Ferer, junior

#9 Jessica Bennett, sophomore

#10 Allison Loch, senior

#11 Diana Bullen, junior

#12 Ashley Miles, junior

#13 Morgan Halligan, senior

#14 Katie Schrei, sophomore

#15 Kristen Bouchard, sophomore

#17 Kristen Page, sophomore

#18 Brooke Henney, senior

#19 Morgan Sclesky, freshman

#20 Stephanie Gabbard, sophomore

#21 Darby Durrant, freshman

#23 Hannah Siegfried, senior

#24 Courtney Hughes, senior

2015 SCHEDULE

April 1, Wed., 7 p.m. at Lake Orion April 14, Tues., 7 p.m. vs. Rochester April 17, Fri., 7 p.m. at Berkley April 21, Tues., 7 p.m. vs. Seaholm April 23, Thurs., 7 p.m. vs. Oxford April 24, Fri., 7 p.m. vs. Royal Oak April 28, Tues., 7 p.m. vs. Davison April 30, Thurs., 7 p.m. at Bloomfield Hills May 1, Fri., 6 p.m. at Waterford Ketting May 5, Tues., 7 p.m. vs. Lake Orion May 7, Thurs., 7 p.m. at Rochester May 12, Tues., 7 p.m. vs. Berkley May 14, Thurs., 7 p.m. at Seaholm May 15, Fri., 7 p.m. at Utica Eisenhower May 21, Thurs., 6:45 p.m. at Davison May 26-30, TBA MHSAA District June 2-6, TBD MHSAA Regional June 10, Wed., TBD MHSAA Semi-final June 13, Sat., TBD MHSAA Final



2015 Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

Soccer

Senior leadership to lead the way for team

The Lady Wolves are kicking in the spring season with leadership to lead them to success this year.

Clarkston Girls Varsity Soccer Head Coach Mike Nelson added having a large senior class will be one of the reasons this season will be exciting to watch.

"Last year we lost four and we have 10 this year, having that amount of senior leadership they want to work harder, have a successful season and leave a legacy," Nelson added. "We have an experienced team. The underclassmen will have big shoes to fill."

Returners include seniors Morgan Halligan, Brooke Henney, Maddie Herbert, Veronica Hill, Courtney Hughes, Allison Loch, Parker Menard, Olivia Montgomery, Lindsay Runft, Hannah Siegried; juniors Lea Ferer, Ashley Miles; and sophomore Kristen Page.

Nelson added the leadership from the returners will help tremendously.

"Most of them have been on varsity for three years," he said. "They understand the expectations and they want to be one of the first teams in Clarkston soccer to win districts. They have the desire to do well and show the underclassmen how to contribute."

New players include junior Diana Bullen; sophomores Jessica Bennett, Kristen Bouchard, Stephanie Gabbard, Katie Schrei; freshmen Darby Durrant and Morgan Sclesky. "We have a well-rounded team," Nelson said. "We have some sophomores from the talented JV team last year. The are all extremely competitive and fast."

One of the goals the Lady Wolves are working towards is winning the OAA White League title this season.

"They want to win something," said Nelson. "They want to win the league and the districts so they can leave their legacy and show the younger players how to compete from there, especially the JV team."

The girls are also looking forward to their home game against Lake Orion on May 5 as they celebrate senior night. Another special night is May 12 as they host Berkley and Youth Soccer Night. —Wendi Reardon

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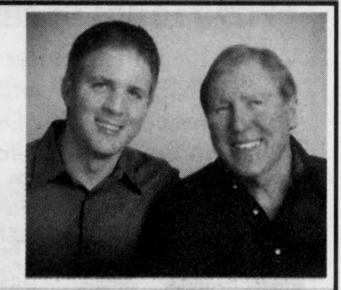


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2015 Clarkston Boys Track and Field team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

Track & Field

Racers primed for OAA Red, state titles

oster of over 100 skilled athletes.

"We are excited to see how could we ould be and to see what we are made of," loys Track and Field.

The Wolves go to their first meet ollowing their return from spring break.

"We lost a lot of good talent and a lot of eniors last year," said Bennink. "They cored big points for us in a lot of different ents. we have a for or young guys who re ready to step up."

anada who was a All-State long jumper; orinters Nolan Eriksen and Marco Rosario; istance runners, Daniel Billette, Grant

The Wolves are ready to compete with a Henley, Tyler Dunn, Luke Oldford and Derek Egli; throwers Mitchell Helsel, Mick Packard and Jeff Ylvisaker.

"Nolan is coming back after a really good aid John Bennink, head coach for Clarkston sophomore campaign," Bennink said. "My distance guys are pretty seasoned. Grant and Daniel are both a little bit older, a little bit wiser and mature runners. They know what it takes to win. I am excited to have those guys back because they will be good.

The boys' goals are the same as every year - win ine OAA ked win titte and have a many guys as possible qualify at regionals A few key returners include Merrick to go the state meet, which is in Rockford

> "We almost beat Lake Orion in the league meet last year," Bennink added. "We lost by

one point. We look to tend for the title."

He added they will see what happens at the first track meet which is set at Oxford High School on April 15. It is the first of fou league competitions before they compete in the OAA Red League Meet on May 7. ~ WAI

2015 SCHEDULE FOR WOLVES & LADY WOLVES

April 15, Wed., TBA at Oxford

April 22, Wed., TBA at Lake Orion

April 29, Wed., 4:30 p.m. vs. Rochester Adams

May 1, Fri., 3 p.m. at Bay City Western (Boys team)

May 4, Mon., 4:30 p.m. vs. Troy Athens

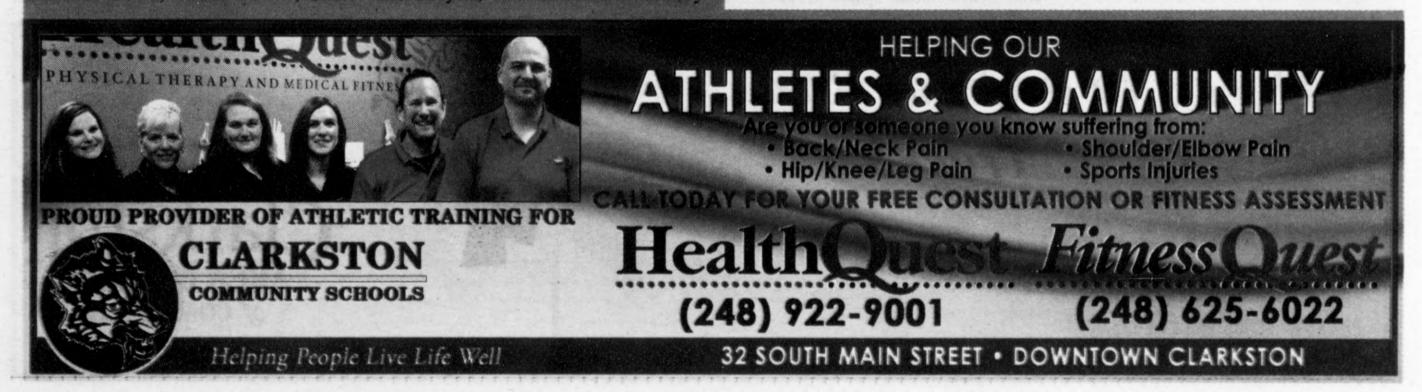
May 7, Thurs., 4:30 p.m. OAA Red League meet at Oxford

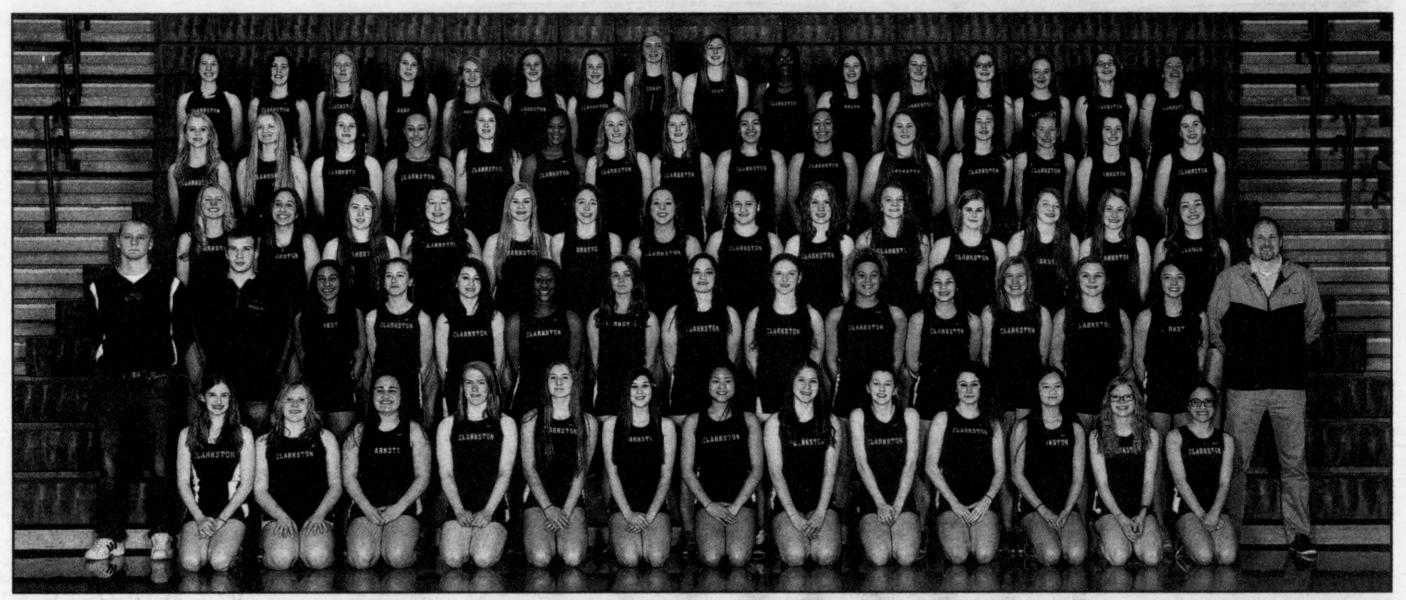
May 15, Fri., TBA MHSAA Regional at Bloomfield Hills

May 16, Sat., TBA MHSAA Regional at Bloomfield Hills

May 22, Fri., 2 p.m. Oakland County Meet at Waterford Mott

May 30, Sat., TBD MHSAA Final at Rockford





2015 Clarkston Girls Track and Field team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

Track & Field

Runners ready for strong season this spring

The Lady Wolves took advantage of the clear paths and fields in March as they prepare for their season opener in April.

"We are going to have a strong season," said Kevin Breen, head coach for Clarkston Girls Track and Field. "We have a solid returning sprint crew. We will be strong in distance and relays. We have a solid distance group. Three of our distance runners were in the top of the state during the indoor track season. We are pretty deep."

The 2015 spring season will be exciting to watch because the Lady Wolves can compete with anyone, Breen explained.

"We can move girls around and match up anyone against any other team." he said.

He added they had close to 80 athletes

come out for the team this year and there is a lot of returning talent and younger athletes looking to make an impact especially the freshman and sophomores.

A few returners include Megan Nicholson, All-State high jumper; Lynsie Gram, Nicole Hanson, Audrey Huhtasaari, distance runners; Courtney Roland, hurdles; Taylor Mullins, hurdles and sprints; Maddie Wilson, 100-meter dash and relays; and Kayla Russell, relays and running events.

"We are looking solid across the board," said Breen. "We have a small number in shot put and we are looking to see who is going to fit into our long jump."

The Lady Wolves have four dual OAA Red League meets against Oxford, Lake

Orion, Rochester Adams, Oxford and Troy Athens. Then, they go into the league meet on May 7.

"Rochester always seems to improve throughout the year," Breen said about the league. "They are always in one of the top spots at the end of the year - same thing with Rochester Adams. They are always strong at the end of the year. Right now all the teams have some kids back but you never know what they are bringing up."

He added he saw some schools during the indoor season so knows Stoney Creek has a good high jumper who also runs solid in sprints.

"Rochester always has strong sprinters," Breen said. "Adams has strong distance. Oxford's coach is great. He always put on a strong show. It's when you go into the league you just have to go into the first league meet nice and strong and spread our girls out where we think they can do the best then we will adapt to the teams as we go. Ninth graders can jump right in and start competing."

One of the main goals of the season is to get as many Lady Wolves to the state finals as they can this year during the MHSAA Regionals in May.

"If we perform we should get all four of our relays through to states. We have a couple others who look good, too," Breen added.

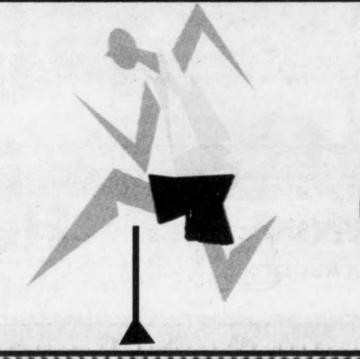
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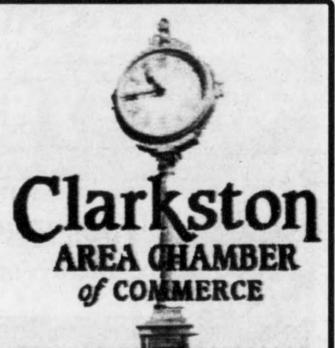
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2015 Clarkston Varsity Softball team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Softball

Lady Hitters ready to rule the spring season

Fans of the Lady Wolves can expect a lot from the girls this season - dedication, enthusiasm and hard work.

"They are good kids with a lot of talents," said Don Peters, head coach for Clarkston Varsity Softball. "You can expect them giving their best and having lots of fun. They work hard."

The team has eight returners - Mikayla Blaska, Alex Favazza, Mariah Hood, Candace Kitchen, Madeline Maday, Maddy Scarsella, Victoria Sharkey, Abby Skvarce, Ashley Skaggs, Savannah Spring and Rachel Vieira.

"They worked really hard in the weight room," Peters added. "They worked hard in the off season developing their skills. These kids try to improve their craft to be better softball players. Also, what we get from the

older girls is leadership to help develop the younger girls so the program can continue."

The Lady Wolves added five new players to the team - Madison Beck, Paige Blevins, Hannah Chadwell, Alex Gladding and Kaylee Percival.

Peters added they give the team depth and will help build for the future.

The goals for the season is to win the OAA Red - which is a challenge within itself.

"Softball is extremely tough because it is a big focus in travel ball in Oakland County," Peters said. "It stems into having good teams - Troy, Lake Orion and North Farmington. Four to five teams on the right day could win the league championship so we have our work cut out for us. We are in one of the

toughest divisions in all the sports for girls.'

They also have goals to win districts and go as far as they can in playoffs. The important goal for Peters is to build relationships with the players and the coaches.

"Help in a small part in the girls becoming people," he added. "You have to have that or you get off track of what athletics is about. Keep them first and winning second."

The Lady Wolves return from spring break with a double header against Lake Fenton, April 16.

"Work one pitch at a time, one ground at a time, one game at a time and keep building who we are and our identity," Peters added. ~Sports Writer Wendi Reardon

VARSITY ROSTER

Abby Skvarce #2

#4 Ashley Skaggs

#5 Paige Blevins

#6 Savannah Spring

#7 Rachel Vieira

#8 Mariah Hood

Mikayla Blaska

Madeline Maday

Maddy Scarsella

Hannah Chadwell

Madison Beck #27

Kaylee Percival

Candace Kitchen #31

Alex Gladding #77

Alex Favazza #88

Victoria Sharkey

2015 SCHEDULE

April 1, 4:30 p.m. vs Brandon DH April 16, 4:30 p.m. vs. Lake Fenton DH April 18, 9 a.m. Pink Classic Tournament

April 20, 4:30 p.m. vs. Regina DH April 21, 4:30 p.m. vs. Birmingham Groves DH April 23, 4:30 p.m. at North Farmington DH

April 28, 4:30 p.m. vs. Lake Orion DH April 30, 4:30 p.m. at Rochester DH

May 2, Michigan Stars Tournament

May 3, Michigan Stars Tournament

May 5, 4:30 p.m. at Troy Athens DH

May 7, 4:30 p.m. at Troy DH

May 9, TBA at Bay City All Saints

May 12, 4:30 p.m. vs. Rochester Adams DH

May 15, Ann Arbor Huron Tournament May 16, Ann Arbor Huron Tournament

May 21, 4:30 p.m. vs. Swartz Creek DH

May 26-30, TBA MHSAA District

June 6, Sat., TBD MHSAA Regional

June 9, Tues., TBD MHSAA Quarterfinal

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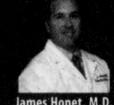
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Cedar Crest students shine at History Day

Eleven Cedar Crest Academy students participated in the Junior Division of District History Day, March 14, at the Detroit Historical Museum, including:

Jacob Deradoorian, documentary entitled "Anwar-d to Peace" (Anwar Sadat); Matt Drutis, documentary, "Henry Ford"; Eric Dutkiewicz, exhibit, "Cornelius Vanderbilt America"; Antonio Gonzales, exhibit, "Man of Steel" (Andrew Carnegie); Isabelle Khouri, exhibit, "Hear the Dance" (George Balanchine); Kelsey Hoose, website, "From Union General to President" (Ulysses S. Grant); Sebastian Girrbach, website, "Jackie Robinson's Journey"; Ainsley Oppmann, website, "George Patton, A War Hero"; Shealy Nielsen, paper, "Mikhail Gorbachev, The Legacy of a Great Reformer"; Ian Smith, paper, "The Leadership of Genghis Khan"; and Lyndsey Stewart, paper, "William Shakespeare."

Student projects were created based on this year's theme, Leadership and Legacy. Each student presented their research through a documentary, exhibit, paper, website, or performance. The eleven students, who participated in the district event, were chosen for their exceptional presentations by a panel of guest judges in a school-wide competition in February.

The Michigan Historical Society's district competition was March 14. The state competition will be at DeWitt High School on April 25.



Hollywood Smile of the Month

Lauren Gonzales

Lauren is a student at Clarkston High School. She enjoys dancing and hanging out with her friends.

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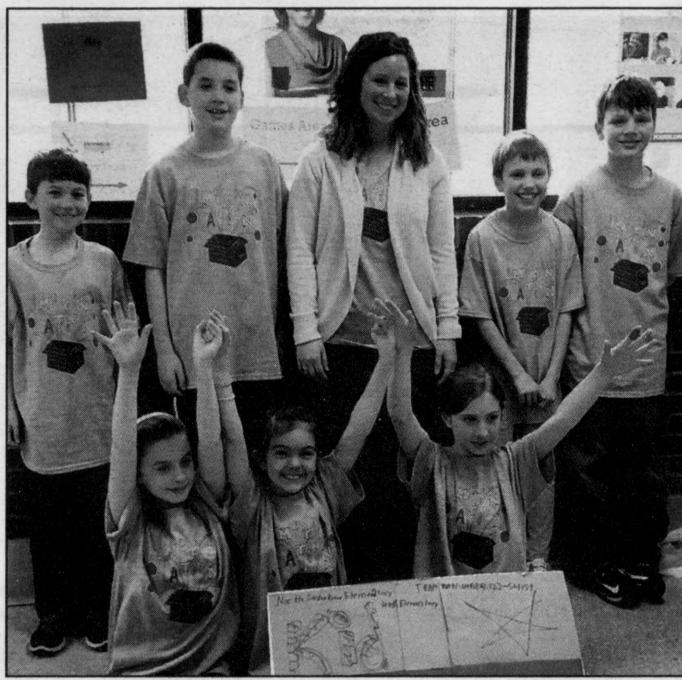
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"The Kid Wonders," in back from left, Noah Zabinski, Zack Scherler, NSE second grade teacher Nicole Uhazie, Jacob Campbell, and Sam Chick, and front from left, Izzy Mockridge, Eva Bousho, and Kate Meyer. Photos provided

Awards for Destination Imagination teams

Six students from North Sashabaw Elementary and five students from Sashabaw Middle School participated in Destination Imagination, March 13, at Waterford Mott High School.

"The Kid Wonders" from North Sashabaw Elementary School competed in the "Fine Arts: Feary Tales" challenge. "The Imagineers team from Sashabaw Middle School competed in the "Improv Game" challenge.

The Destination Imagination volunteer run program encourages teams to have fun while learning science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, the arts, and service learning.

For information, visit more www.destinationimagination.org.



"The Imagineers," from left, NSE first grade teacher Molly Hothem, Jordyn Haden, Ella Chick, Alex Hayward, Mason Randolph, and Owen Meyer.

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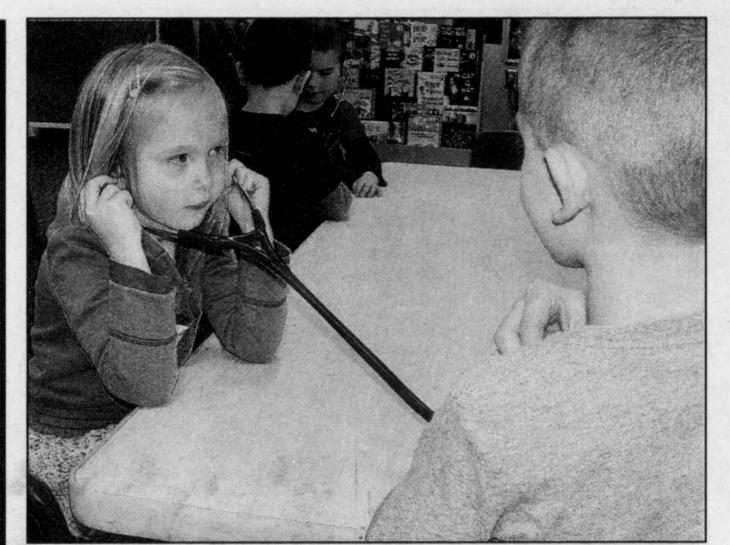
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Kylie Dunfield listens to Connor Wilson's heartbeat during Healthy Me Day.

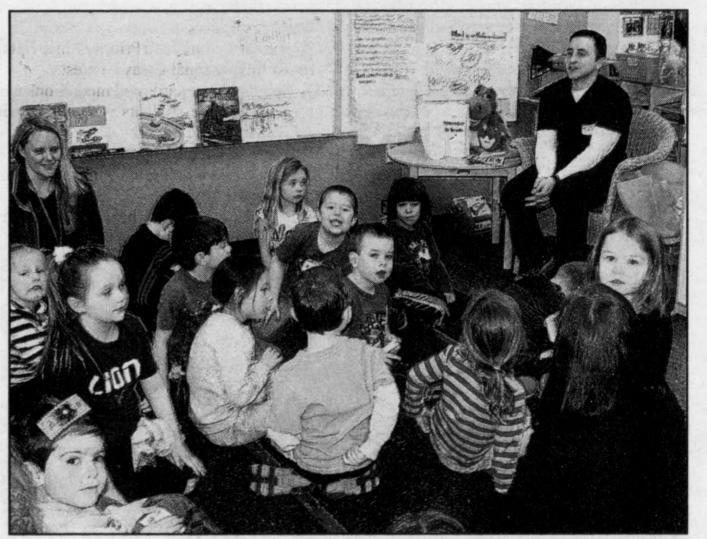
Healthy Me

Clarkston Early Childhood Center hosted Healthy Me Day, March 5, inviting health care professionals from the community to talk to students about how to take care of themselves and others.

Volunteer presenters from the community included Dr. John Khoury of Oxford Smile Center, Executive Chef Joseph Morin of Oakhurst Golf and Country Club, Dr. Bridget McArde of Henry Ford Sterling Heights Pediatrics, and Coach Heather Kettle of Stars and Stripes.



Carson Martin and Brendan Hadding try out a stethoscope.



Dr. John Khoury talks to a Young Five's class about ways to keep their teeth healthy. Photos by Phil Custodio





A dream you remember most?

"I was in a game. There were 3D boulders everywhere. I was on the ground trying to hunt some deer, but every time I had a chance to shoot one with my bow, I could not shoot it."



-Dylan Dixon

"When I was five or six I lived in a town where everyone was clowns. They tied me down and tickled my feet. They had clown noses and clown outfits and clown make-up. I was scared of clowns for a while."



- Sammantha Irvan

"I was having a fist fight with my brother over socks. My brother and I have always had fight over socks. He takes my socks, and I always want them back."



- Jacob Shook

"My dad faked his death on Christmas. He was hiding in his room upstairs. I remember it was a very emotional dream."



"I was in my backyard being stalked by wolves. I was trying to run towards my house, but I was walking through surup and my legs were so heavy it was hard to move."



- Noah Peterson

By Andrea Beaudoin

The Clarkston News'

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Clarkston High School essayists shared inspiring stories with Clarkston Optimists. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Optimism wins awards for students

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Clarkston News Staff Writer

When you face the world with optimism, nothing can keep you down.

Especially for three Clarkston students who were recognized by Clarkston Optimist Club for their winning essays submitted on "Optimism Should be a Priority," in their Optimist International Essay Contest.

Scholarship awards and medallions were presented to the students with award winning essays.

For Nate Gipe, 17, optimism was his greatest ally while battling leukemia after being diagnosed last year.

"It can cure ills," he believes. "I was living my day to day life when suddenly I as thrown into a battle for my life. Luckily there were many people and things that helped me in my fight -doctors medicines, nurses, priests, family and friends all came to the rescue.

"Optimism should be a priority because it helps you set a positive example for others, to improve your own situation and keep you positive."

During his illness, Gipe kept a blog and regularly updated family and friends on his condition.

He focused on positive messages even on bad days.

Even through radiation treatments when he felt anxious and was forced to remain motionless, rather than letting anxiousness overcome him, he told himself the radiation was making his body better.

"Optimism can have real world effects and help improve your circumstances," he said. "It can also help you keep your chin up, and keep your attitude positive. It has none of the negative side effects of other cancer treatments. With so many benefits, optimism should be a priority in everyone's life."

Gipe's young brother Gabe, said his

brother inspires him by his positive attitude.

A worldwide organization, the Optimists follow a creed of ten statements to help keep spirits up when life gets tough.

One part of that creed, is to be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

Emily Kelly, lived in a poor inner city with a mediocre school system, but watching her parents struggle while continuing to work hard molded her character.

Her father, Mark, had no college degree, but was blessed with a great talent for photography.

Mark worked hard and started a photography company. The family moved from the poor inner city to Clarkston.

When Mark started his company, the economy was good, but a few years later America's economy went south.

"People lost their homes and jobs overnight," she said.

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Events

Edible and Ecological Landscapes with Mark Angelini and Trevor Newman, founders of Roots to Fruits, 7:30-9 p.m., April 1, St. Daniel's Church, Cushing Center Hall, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Free, www.northoakland. wildones.org.

Home Repair and Equity Scams, 1:15 p.m., April 16, Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Info on repair work, contractors, reverse mortgage, foreclosure scams. Free. 248-625-8231.

Dinner Dance for Helping Hearts Helping Hands, 6 p.m.-1:30 a.m., April 17, Deer Lake Banquet Center, 6167 White Lake Road. Dinner, silent and live auctions, cash bar, music, dancing. \$80, for Erica Cale's mission for children in Honduras. 248-980-5090.

Child safety seat inspections, Independence Fire Department and St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Trauma Services, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., April 21, Station 1, 6500 Citation Drive. Free. Call for appointment, 248-758-7065.

Sunday

Coffee Chat with Clarkston School Board Treasurer Joan Patterson, 3-4 p.m., April 19, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-396-3148.

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.

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

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

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

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

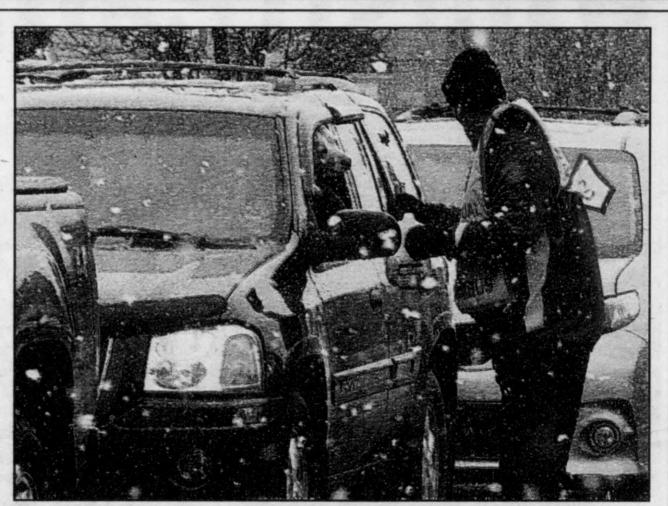
Fitness 4 You classes, \$5 walk-in, New Hope Bible Church, 8673 Sashabaw Road, Call Patty, 248-520-3297.

Tuesday

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group,

Around Jown

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



TREAT?: A friendly dog checks out a Toostie Roll offered by Jason Mareches of St. Dan's Knights of Columbus on Main Street at Washington Street, March 27. The Knights were out collecting donations in the spring snow to help those with intellectual disabilities during their annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Photo by Phil Custodio

7 p.m., April 14. Topic: Mourning and Meaning Making. Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. Free. 248-625-5231.

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

Grief Share, 13-week seminar/support group for those suffering loss, 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, The Gathering Place, 9811 Dixie Highway. 248-694-9351.

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.

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

Clarkston Community Women's Club, third Tuesday, Sept.-April, 7 p.m., Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Community service group for all ages. 248-421-7699.

Widowers and Widows On With Life Group, 7 p.m., first Tuesday, third Wednesday. Dinners, breakfasts, golf, social gatherings, rap sessions for ages 35-80. 248-393-8553.

Town Hall Quilt Guild, third Tuesday, 7 p.m., First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. Guest fee, \$5.248-705-7310.

50+ Pickleball, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., \$3; Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4; Saturdays, 9-11 a.m., \$3. First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road.

LegalShield and Identity Theft Shield information sessions with Carol Compagnoni,

Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road. 248-420-3126.

Wednesday

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

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, second Wednesday, 7 p.m., Independence Township Hall, 6483 Waldon Center Drive. 248-623-4313.

Genealogical consulting with Dr. Thomas K. Stone, Wednesdays, March 25, April 22, and May 20, 10 a.m., Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center. \$1. Thursday

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

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

How to Age Gracefully, May 7, 1:30 p.m., Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center. Led by Dr. Thomas Stone. \$1.248-625-8231.

Individualized Computer Tutoring, second and fourth Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., Senior Adult Activity Center. \$30/members, \$35/non-members. 248-625-8231.

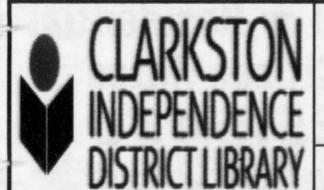
Grief Support Group with Coats Funeral Homes, third Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church, Fireside Room, 4301 Monroe Ave, Waterford. 248-674-0461.

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

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

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., madefrom-scratch. \$7. Independence Township Adult Activities Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Make reservation by Monday before, 248-625-8231.

Young At Heart Active Adults, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., lunches, guest speak Please see Around Town on page 38



Hey Clarkston! What's happening at your library?

LIBRARY HOURS

Senior Make & Take Craft: Friday, April 10 1:00pm Crafting fun for seniors at the library! Join us this

month and learn how to create fun and colorful

hangers for your closet. Registration Required.

Popcorn and a Movie- Big Hero 6:Wednesday, April 8 1:00pm Try something different during Spring Break and come watch a movie with your family and friends at the library! Enjoy the Oscar

winning movie Big Hero 6 and snack on freshly popped popcorn!

Mon-Thurs: 10 am-9 pm, Fri & Sat: 10 am-6 pm, Sun 1 pm-6 pm

Got Yarn?: Wednesday, April 8, 7:00pm Join our ongoing knitting and crocheting group. Beginners, experts, and any level in-between are welcome.



Young writers share lessons learned from others

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Her mom had a good job, but her workplace closed and she lost her job.

Times got tough for dad's business, too. To help pay the bills her grandmother moved in, so her parents could make payments on their new home.

"Many families have generations living together to save money," Emily noticed.

Her parents still struggle. Her mom found a new job, and her dad keeps working to develop his in home photography studio.

Throughout the struggle, the family could be overtaken by depression, but instead optimism grew.

Mark said to develop Emily's positive attitude he exposed her to diverse activities in her life.

Emily focuses on "wonderful activities" in her life including spending time with her dogs, the 4-H Club, making music with her clarinet, color guard activities with marching band and art and photography consume her time.

Training her pups to perform tricks and compete in the 4-H shows has won her numerous ribbons and trophy awards. Those pups show their unconditional love and always know when she is feeling down.

"I have learned so much from them in leadership to responsibility and relationships," she said.

Developing music talents has led to beautiful places as well including an invite to play in Carnegie Hall in New York.

Watching and learning her father take his breathtaking photos has taught and inspired the high school senior.

"I have won several 4-H county fair ribbons for my photos and artwork," she said.

She often wonders how life would be different if she had only known poverty. Would it have been easier to be poor her entire life than to have financial circumstances change so suddenly? Yet it was those sudden changes that taught her great lessons.

"I have learned changes can happen quickly and I must be able adjust," she said. "Adjusting is figuring out how to best 'survive' without spending time thinking woe is me. Optimism is the highest priority."

Greatest are leaders are those who rise from adversity.

Emily is a leader at the 4-H club where she mentors younger children by encouraging them to try new things and compete. She also leads in colorguard in the marching band.

Mentoring is an activity she finds fulfilling.

"I have learned encouraging and supporting others helps build your own sense of responsibility and self-confidence," she said. Immersing herself in activities she loves, she also works hard at school to get into a good college.

"I have learned you need to work hard and keep trying, despite setbacks," she advises. "I have learned to have as positive attitude as I can. I look forward to my life with a great deal of optimism."

Jenny Lussenhop has been in the Optimist Club for years, repeating the Optimist Creed hundreds of times. Recently the meaning of the creed really hit her soul ho to apply those skills to everyday life. Optimism inward spreads outward into the world and comes to your soul tenfold.

"The content of the creed puts emphasis on the personal goals of the individual, but it also extends to the treatment of others," she said. "The idea of optimism a great shift in mind set, from thinking only of oneself to thinking about how others relate to others."

Optimism touches every aspect of ones life, she added. It changes attitudes and lifestyles.

Optimism encompasses many ideas and values into one word, said Lussenhop. Seeing your glass a half-full and carrying a sunny disposition is an attitude you must adopt inside. It provides internal rewards and leads to increased positivity in other areas of life.

Her mom. Carolyn, said she is continously amazed by her three children, including

Jenny. "I always tried to be there for them," she said. "I always encouraged them to den their best."

Even with an optimistic disposition, life is still tough. Frustration, stress and negative emotions will always still exist.

"Combating tough situations with confidence and composure helps immensely," she said. One statement in the Optimist Creed, "To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best," is among her favorites statements in the optimist creed.

A person who adopts this into their character is a person who is incredibly determined and a person who seeks excellence.

A person dedicated to excellence never settles for "good enough". They are never arrogant or jealous. They do not compare themselves with others rather they do their very best.

"With optimism being a priority, individuals have the potential to be compassionate, humble, determined, focused and kind," Jenny believes.

Optimism also improves relationships with others.

"Make all your friends feel there is something in them," Jenny cited as another favorite part of the Optimist Creed. "It reaches past politeness and courteously and and reaches towards a genuine respect for other people."

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Thursday

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This Week:

Thursday, April 2 7 p.m. **Holy Thursday Mass**

Friday, April 3 12 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**

Friday, April 3 2 p.m. **Good Friday Mass**

Saturday, April 4 12 p.m. **Blessing of Food** Saturday, April 4 8 p.m. **Easter Vigil**

Sunday, April 5 **Easter Sunday**

Monday, April 6 7 p.m. **Scripture Study**

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8400 Dixie Hwy, Clarkston Website - www.waypoint.org Phone 248-623-1224 Sunday Worship: 9:45 am & 11:00 am Mom Squad: Tues, 9:30-11:30 am Childcare provided Family Life Group 6:30 pm Youth 6:30 pm

Religion Events Preaching

With Christ, our debt paid in full

As you go through your daily routine, and your weekly duties, do you have a sense that your work is never really done? There is so much to do, so little time.

Time seems to accelerate the older we get. In my life I can't remember the last time I said I was bored, but when I

was younger, it was a regular thought I had.

Holy Week is a time for us to slow down from busyness and reflect on what Jesus has done for us.

However, the opposite is usually true, where schedules are jam packed and we can easily miss the beauty of Jesus' declaration in John 19:30: "It is finished."



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Pastor Matthew Webster

In those three words, Jesus declared victory over our past failures, over our sin, shame, and the condemnation the enemy had placed upon us. His work, is a completed work.

"It is finished."

I thought about what that means as I recalled some of my past trips to visit the Detroit Institute of Arts I am never disappointed whenever I make a trip there because the artwork is breath taking and I leave feeling very inspired.

It is incredible to see the completed vision the artist had. I have some friends who are artists and when I have looked at a project before it was completed, it was difficult to understand what the vision really was.

But once it was a finished work, I could fully appreciate and enjoy the work that had been done.

When I look in Scriptures and I see Jesus, I am looking at the very face of God. Perfection. When I look to the cross I see the finished work of the Savior of the world. What a beautiful masterpiece.

Now, I would never consider taking a

masterpiece at the D.I.A. down and try to alter it in any way. It is a finished work. It was done by a master, whose skill set dwarfs mine.

Jesus's work on the cross was a finished work. You cannot take something that is complete and complete it. It is already done.

For us, Jesus' proclamation tells us our salvation is won and our sins are all forgiven. We are made forever righteous by His blood.

That is the message of Easter that should bring with it an overwhelming sense of peace. It should give us the ability to rest and receive and to go out into the world with a sense of being a completed project of God.

In Christ, we are a new creation. This means we are not a messed up project God is working on. We are a beautiful new creation in Christ.

The Greek word used in John 19:30 for finished is teleo. So, in the days of antiquity, a servant would use the word teleo when reporting to his master: "I have completed the work assigned to me." (Example: John 17:4).

What we extract from this Greek word is what Jesus declared to His Father in heaven is not only has the work been finished, but it stands finished, and it will always be finished.

Our debt to sin has been paid in full, there will never be another payment needed.

So, my prayer for Easter this year is the message that goes forth from our churches is it is not our works that brings us blessings but it is the work Jesus already did on our behalf.

Malcom Smith once said, "The key words of the message of the Gospel are not struggle, try, and try harder but surrender to, yield to, rest in, and believe on the Lord Jesus."

What a message of good news, a message of grace.

The Rev. Dr. Matthew Webster is pastor of First Congregational Church of Clarkston.

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Students achieve success

Forrest N. Stone will be one of nine student team members representing the

Michigan State University Army ROTC at the program International Royal Military Academy Sandhurst U.S. Army ROTC competition at West Point Military Academy in April.



Forrest graduated from Clarkston High Stone School in 2012 and is

the son of Marlene and Keith Stone of Clarkston.

The week long Sandhurst competition involves land navigation, rifle marksmanship, hand grenades, call for fire, tactical vehicle recovery, tactical casualty combat care, Squad/Team Movements, battle drills and multiple physical challenges.

Forrest has also been awarded the Military Order of the Purple Heart award for Outstanding Leadership in an ROTC program. Forrest is in his third year at Michigan State University studying Advertising and Marketing.

Madeline Reynolds of Clarkston was selected to attend the U.S. Naval Academy next year.

The Oakland Christian School student was nominated by former Congressman Mike Rogers last session.

"I am so proud of these students for committing to our nation's service academies," said Rep. Mike Bishop (R-District 8). "They have worked incredibly hard to make their ambitions a reality, and I commend them for putting our country first. I look forward to seeing their bold leadership in action in the years ahead."

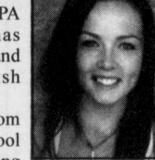
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Elliana Locher of Clarkston finished her

first semester at Northern Michigan University, making the Dean's List with a GPA of 3.82, and has transferred to Oakland University to finish college.



She graduated from Clarkston High School in 2014 and is majoring in Nursing.

Clarkston students earning degrees from Grand Valley State University in December 2014 include Nahi Attar, Bachelor of Business Administration; Lauren A. Brenk, BSN; Lyndsey R. Jackson, Bachelor of Science Nursing; Kathleen A. Johnstone, Bachelor of Science Nursing; Hannah E. Phillips, Bachelor of Science; and Samantha D.











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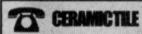
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FILE NO: 2015-362, 028-DE

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TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Donna Jean Smith, died 02/08/2015 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Stuart Smith, personal repre-

sentative or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice

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Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Katherine Hockey, personal representative or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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INDEPENDENCE TWP. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

APRIL 23, 2015 INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on: Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. At Independence Township Hall Meeting Room, 6483

Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston MI, 48347-0069, to consider the following:

PC File # 2015-003

Petitioner: Thomas J. Patti Project Name: Proposed 30 Unit Single Family Site Condominium Development

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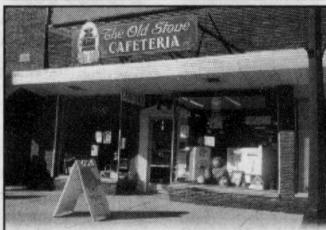
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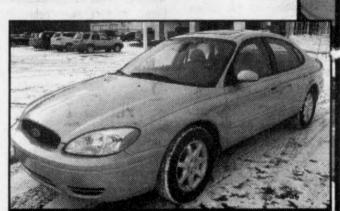
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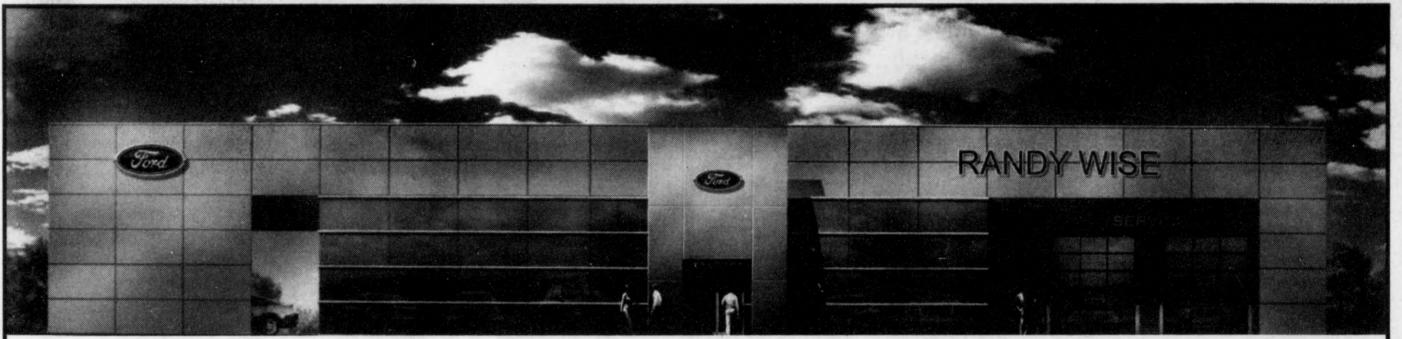
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Plans include inn, conservatory, garden, cottages

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Roth will also attend an April 6 planning commission meeting to share plans and gather feedback.

Adler said Washington Management values city officials and consultant advice.

"We are going to the April 6 planning commission meeting for informational purposes only and to show them our preliminary plans," said Roth.

Roth said he and Adler hired Birmingham Architect Victor Saroki, whose building designs include the Townsend Hotel in Royal Oak and Royal Park Hotel in Rochester.

"Victor is very talented at what he does," said Adler.

A talented architect will make visions come true, Roth believes.

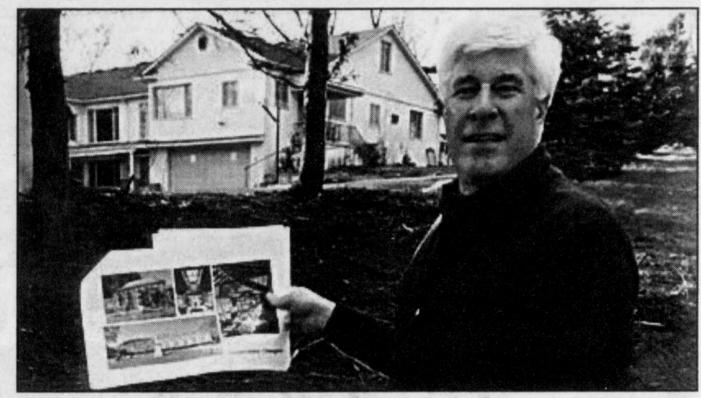
"This has been a lifelong dream of Ed Adler," Roth said of his brother and investment partner.

Adler has been a well known figure in Clarkston for decades and has invested heavily in the area.

"It will a wedding destination for a Cinderella wedding and other special events," said Roth.

"It is a very exciting project and will be great for Clarkston," added his wife, Peg. "It will make Clarkston a top spot to travel to get married."

Conceptual plans show visitors entering a drive-up area to the lobby and reception area off Washington Street, with a stretch of street continuing its run along a mature-tree



Robert Roth of Washington Management show plans for a new development in the heart of downtown Clarkston. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

filled drive towards a conservatory area.

A conservatory area of the inn will be built in "Orangerie" style construction, an open area made almost entirely of glass. In the plan, the ceiling of the conservatory is open and also made of glass.

Orangerie, also called Orangery, is a term originating from the Renaissance Gardens in Italy when glass technology allowed construction of enormous glass rooms to grow citrus trees in bitterly cold temperatures.

"The view from the conservatory will be beautiful," Roth assured.

Guests can hold outdoor weddings, get married in the conservatory or in a historic home on the property.

Washington Management already owns the home, which will be structurally kept intact, but remodeled. The home will feature a revamped upper floor and the lower level will lead to a garden-filled walk-out area.

Visitors can marry in Depot Park and then head to the inn for the reception. A large garden area on the property will be located towards in the middle of the inn, and will include water features like a waterfall.

"We will have beautiful areas with benches and walkways winding through gardens, flowers and tree filled areas," Roth added. "There will be trees everywhere, and we will also have an area to walk along the river."

A kitchen with a dining room in the conservatory area of the inn will allow staff to cook for guests.

"Our guests will be able to stay the night and come down in the morning and have breakfast, or have dinner in the evening," Roth said.

Guests can have events catered by outside venues, and a banquet hall area of the inn will hold 150-200 people.

Each of the 16 rooms on the property will differ in style. Roth said each room may be named in honor of someone, one room for example could be the "Henry Ford" room. Or the rooms may be names in honor of famous locals.

In addition to rooms, two separate cottages will be available to stay in.

"Cottages would be a place the bride and groom could stay," Roth said. "Cottages will be about 300 square foot rooms with a fire-place and the works."

"You will be able to book for a wedding and we will have everything you need."

Special touches, like heated floors, will be among the special touches added to the inn.

Roth estimates approval and the construction process to build the inn will take about 18 months.

New state test to start after spring break

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us to try to get something out of it."

Michigan Department of Education was called on by the state legislature to create the new test in June 2014, and was still releasing software for it in March, Rock said.

M-STEP includes English language arts and mathematics for grades 3–8; science in grades 4 and 7; social studies in grades 5 and 8; and Michigan Merit Examination for 11th grade, which consists of a college entrance exam, work skills assessment, and M-STEP summative assessments in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.

The test is online and digital, while the MEAP, which it replaces, was pencil and paper. Concerns with the test include a broken promise to make it "computer-adaptive," which would have altered questions for individual students based on their response. The state also said results would be available this school year, but later said it would take several months to release data.

Rock said the test will disrupt classes for the rest of the school year, and will be used to determine At-Risk funding, school funding, teacher and administrator evaluations, which is inappropriate.

"We're working to do the best we can with the information we've been given to balance the curriculum with test preparation," said Staci Puzio, supervisor for testing and research.

"It's like changing all 18 wheels at the same time."

Elementary students also had to learn "digital literacy," such as scrolling through all available text, how to use a mouse, and typing skills.

"Imagine a third grader having to think through and type a response down in a timely manner," Puzio said.

At the high school, 670 juniors are slated to take the test from April 13 through the end of May. Each student needs about two days to test, said Principal Gary Kaul.

"We decided at the high school to start the three week window after spring break," Kaul said. "That gave us greatest amount of time."

Challenges included Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate testing at the same time, accommodating students who take classes at Oakland Tech Center, student fatigue after two-and-a-half weeks of testing, and class interruptions.

"We'll take 25 percent of kids out of a class, then the next 25 percent the next day – it disrupts continuity," the principal said. "We don't want students to hurry through the test, it's a high stakes test."

The state has provided updates and changes continuously, he said.

"The rules are changing, every time we open an email. We don't know what's going to happen with bandwidth, we don't know if computers are going to crash. They haven't experienced that load yet," he said.

Mary Herzenstiel said she and other parents wonder about the point of the test.

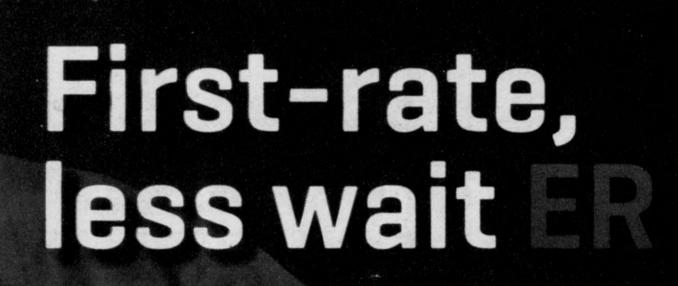
"I have told my children to do their best and not to worry about the score," Herzenstiel said on a Facebook discussion. "What other test would a parent ever say not to worry about the score?"

The district spent \$338,270 for M-STEP technology this year, including 548 Chromebook computers, switches, access points, and other equipment.

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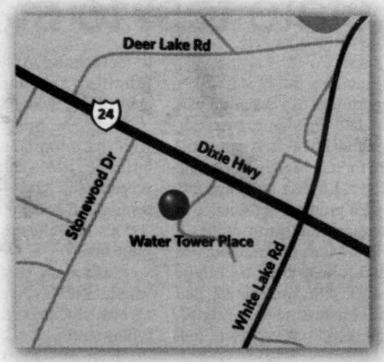
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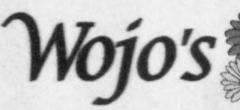




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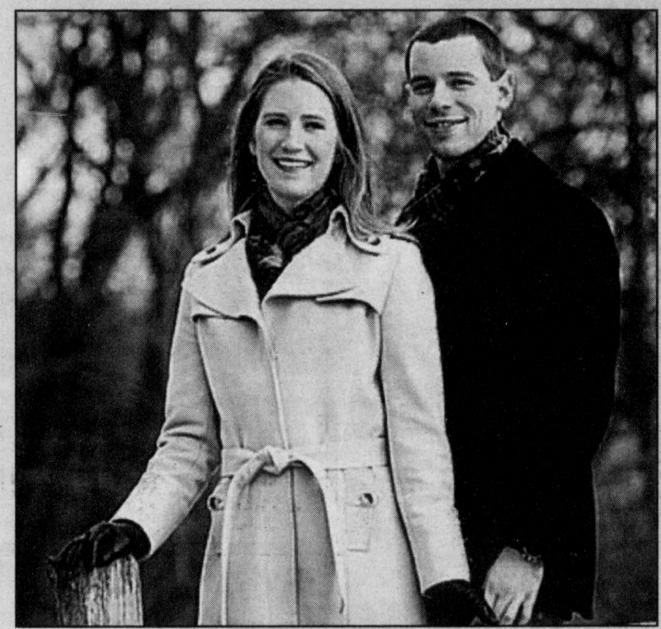
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Mr. Winkler is a graduate of Traverse City Central High School and the University of Michigan Ann Arbor. He is employed in Portland, Oregon.

A September 2015 wedding is planned

Around Town

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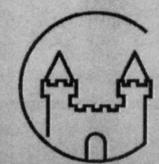
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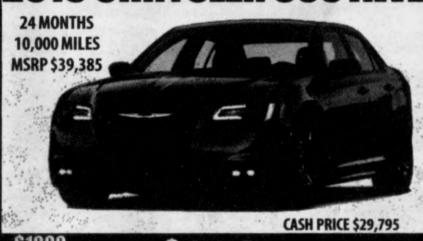


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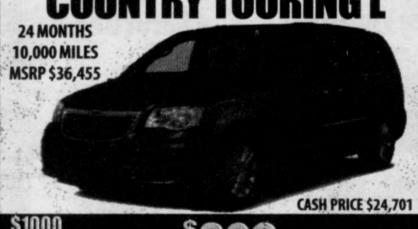
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