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Closed session on lawsuit about closed session

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Before Clarkston City Council voted unanimously to go into closed session, Sept. 14, to discuss a lawsuit alleging an improper closed session, resident Steve Wylie had a question.

"Is this eligible for a closed meeting," asked Wylie, also a former city council member. "There needs to be a demonstrable detrimental financial impact on litigation or settlement — furthermore, if it meet that standard, it requires a two-thirds vote of the council."

Former City Council member Richard Bisio's lawsuit alleges City Council illegally entered into closed session on March 9, 2015.

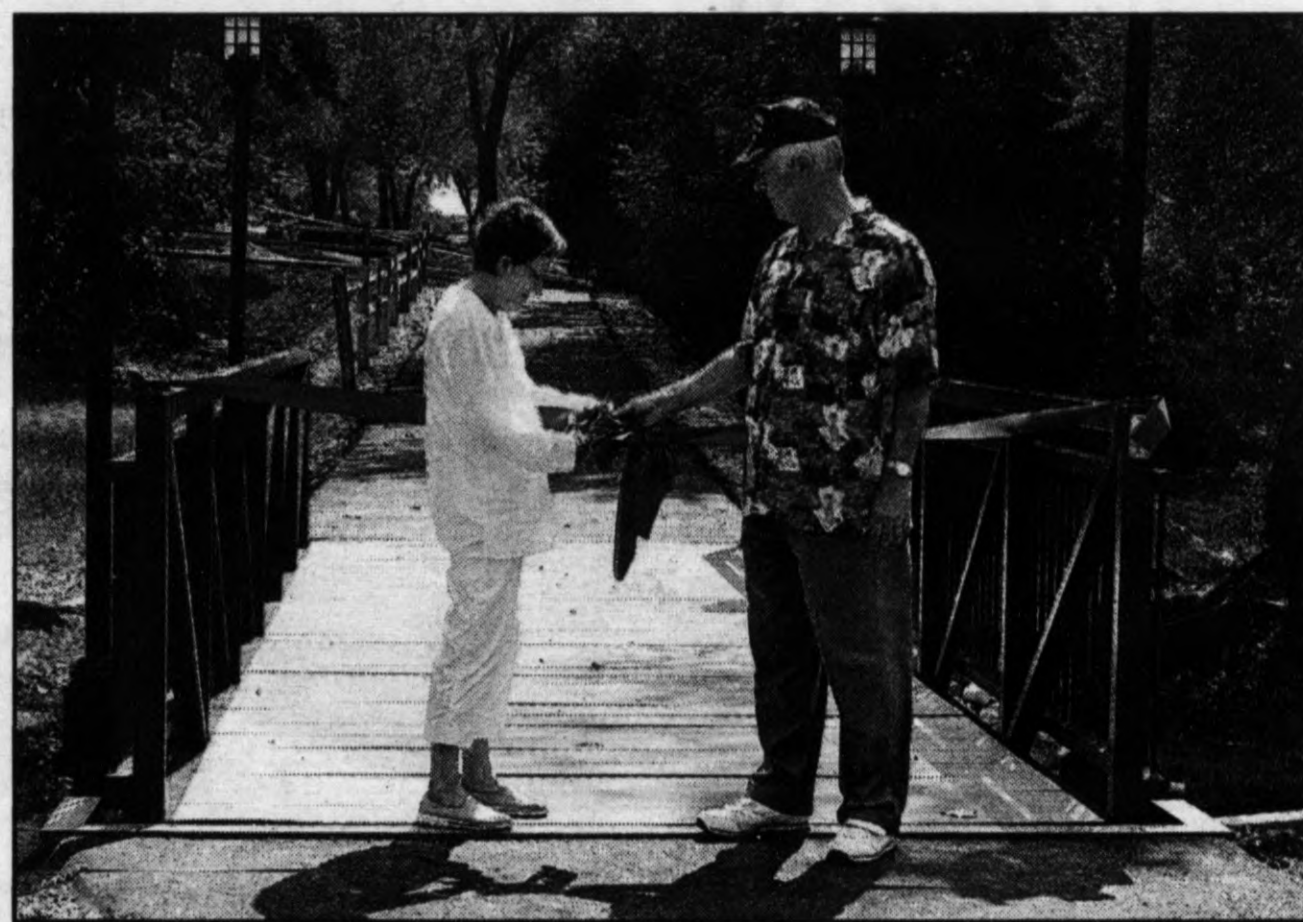
Discussing the lawsuit in open session would present a "detrimental financial effect" to the city, said James E. Tamm, representing the city in the matter through the Michigan Municipal League.

"In my view, Mr. Bisio is in multiple paragraphs asking for attorney fees and costs — going into closed session, hopefully would avoid additional costs and attorney fees," Tamm said. "Discussing the matter in open session could increase our costs and exposure."

Council member Michael Sabol proposed a resolution to go into closed session, which was approved 5-0 without discussion. Council members Sabol, David Marsh, Al Avery, Eric Haven, and Sharron Catallo voted for the resolution.

Mayor Joe Luginski and Mayor Pro Tem Thomas Hunter were absent from the

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BRIDGE DEDICATION: Bart and Diane Clark officially dedicate the new bridge in Depot Park with a ribbon cutting ceremony, Sept. 7 after the Labor Day parade. City leaders and residents gathered for the ceremony with the Clarks, who donated \$100,000 for the bridge in memory of Bart's brother Jeff. See page 6 for a letter from the Clarks about the project. *Photo provided*

New season for golf, cross country, and volleyball -- find out how they're doing in our

Fall Sports Previews

Two dead in Springfield Twp. murder-suicide

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Two Springfield Township residents were killed in a case of murder and suicide, authorities say.

Mike Wyatt, 66, and Carolyn Wyatt, 64, were found dead in the 11000 block of Shaffer Road, 9:21 p.m., Sept. 13.

Deputies were dispatched for a welfare check on Carolyn, who lived there with Mike, her husband. An anonymous caller told dispatch he hadn't heard from her since earlier in the morning, which he found to be very unusual.

Upon arrival, deputies found two vehicles parked in the driveway, blocking access to the residence. As deputies checked the residence, they saw through a window what appeared to be the two

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Downtown to be filled with Taste, Art

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A Clarkston favorite is coming up this weekend, featuring entrees and desserts from dozens of local restaurants.

In its 18th year, the Taste of Clarkston will be combined with the 43rd annual Art in the Village.

Hosted by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Independence Township Parks, Recreation and Seniors and the City of the Village of Clarkston, over 50 local restaurants and exhibitors will be downtown to welcome

visitors.

Admission is free to Taste of Clarkston. Patrons purchase food tickets at the event to use at vendor booths.

Children's activities and entertainment will also on site and free. bounce houses and carnival games of Al Deeby Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram. KidZone activities will be in the Washington Street parking lot and HealthQuest parking lot.

Two stages will feature live local musicians. One stage will be at the corner of

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The Audrey Ray Band performs at last year's Taste of Clarkston. *Photo provided*

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A person in a wheelchair would need long arms to use the hand rail on the new paved path. It's also splintery. Photos by Phil Custodio



A safety path bridge along I-75 off Clarkston Road, with hand rails and fence.

Bisio offers settlement in closed session lawsuit

Continued from page 1 meeting.

According to the Open Meetings Act, a public body can go into closed session "to consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation, but only if an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the public body."

"I do appreciate that their lawyer properly cited provisions in the Open Meetings Act allowing closed session, unlike what happened in March," said Bisio, an attorney, who is representing himself in the case.

The plaintiff is not seeking monetary damages against the city in his suit.

"I did that intentionally," he said. "I don't want to cost the taxpayers any money."

Court costs would amount to about \$300,

he said.

"I suppose you could say there is some financial impact," Bisio said.

Tamm recommended the closed session to discuss with council an Aug. 28 letter containing confidential attorney-client information.

The Open Meetings Act requires two-thirds of the council to approve the closed-session motion, regardless of absences. In Monday's case, all five attending council members had to vote in favor, or the motion would have failed.

The case is pending in Sixth Circuit Court, Judge Leo Bowman presiding.

Bisio presented a settlement offer to the city – City Council would agree the closed session on March 9, 2015, violated the Open Meetings Act because two thirds of the members did not vote to call a closed session



The embankment on both sides of the new paved path in Depot Park are steep.

Concerns about path to bridge

City officials said the new paved path from Main Street into the south entrance to Depot Park would be ADA compliant, but it's not yet, residents say.

Residents speaking during public comment at the Aug. 24 Clarkston City Council meeting said they were concerned with the gap between the path and the split-rail fence, as well as slope of the path and the steep embankments on both sides of it.

A city resident, who asked not to be identified, acquired a wheelchair to demonstrate the difficulty a person would have to use the wooden handrail currently in place.

At the Aug. 24 meeting, City Manager Carol Eberhardt said the project is not yet finished.

"It's a work in progress," Eberhardt said. –Phil Custodio

and there was no permissible purpose for closed session.

At the March meeting, four of six council members in attendance voted for closed session – Mayor Joe Luginski, and Council members Thomas Hunter, Eric Haven, and Mike Sabol.

Also, council would have to agree the March 9, 2015, letter from Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc. to City Manager Carol Eberhardt regarding storm water detention at the 148 N. Main Street auto shop, and City attorney Thomas Ryan's March 9 memo to Eberhardt and Mayor Luginski regarding 148 N. Main Street are public records not protected by attorney-client privilege, and were not a legal basis for the City Council to hold a closed session. It also calls for council to follow the Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act.

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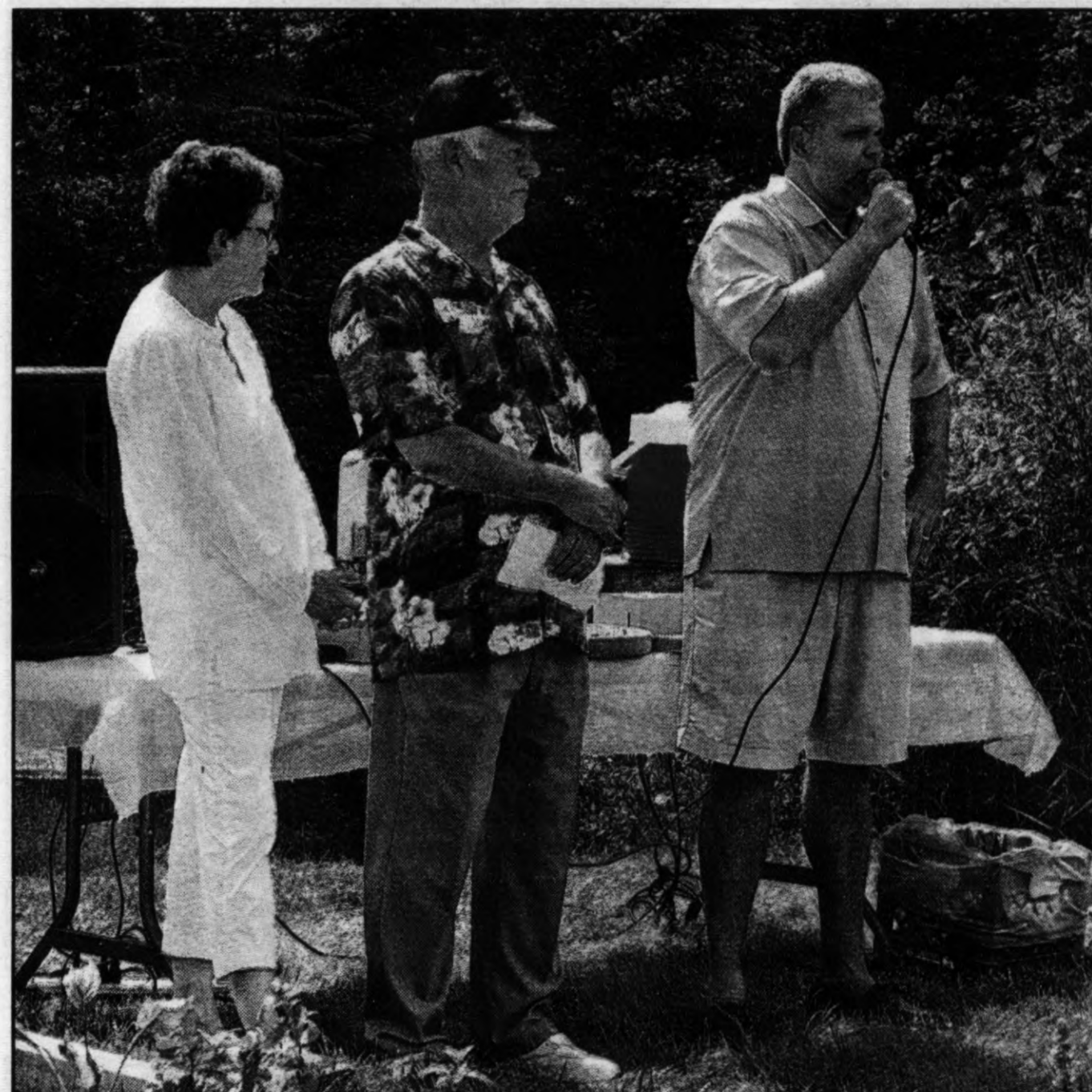
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BRIDGE HONORS: Mayor Joe Luginski honors Bart and Diane Clark, along with other community groups, businesses, and individuals who made the new Depot Park bridge possible, at the bridge dedication, Sept. 7. Photo provided

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Sup't evaluation tied to student achievement

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

How to use student achievement to evaluate the superintendent remains a big question for Clarkston Board of Education.

Board members shared thoughts and concerns, Sept. 14, regarding Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock's proposed four major goals for 2015.

Last summer, the board completed Rock's evaluation based on last year's goals, and concluded as long as progress is made towards the goals, he would receive a favorable evaluation, said board President Steve Hyer.

"We are in no big hurry to approve this, and we want to make sure we get it right," Hyer said.

Trustee Susan Boatman said superintendent goals should be measurable so the board can evaluate Rock's progress towards them.

Hyer said Rock's goals are in line with the district's strategic plan, but the big question is how students achievement is measured.

How Rock's progress towards big ideas or "stretch goals" like the Whole Child initiative is measured is troubling for Trustee Craig Hamilton.

"How will you measure if all students are happy," asked Hamilton. "I'm all about big ideas and I'm OK with stretch goals, but when you give someone an A for effort, that bothers me."

Trustee Kelli Horst agreed measuring Rock's progress for such goals is a challenge.

"How we measure the whole child, that's the challenge. I'd like to show where students begin and end," Horst said, adding perhaps progress made in behaviors like absenteeism

and behavior should be considered.

Rock's first goal for this year is to implement Teachers College Reading and Writing Project Running Records, for the first time this year, to assess benchmarks in Rock's goal to increase reading levels and the understanding of complex text in third grade students.

Running records is an assessment tool educators use to gauge student performance in reading and comprehension.

Rock's second and third goals aim to increase skills and understanding of math applications in fifth through seventh grade students.

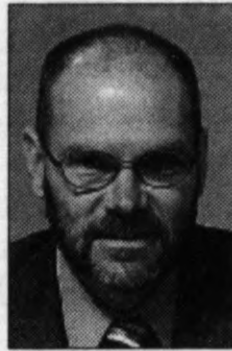
Rock said strategies used to achieve fifth grade math goals will include math workshops and enhanced instruction for teachers.

To increase math skills in sixth and seventh graders, Rock wants to adopt and implement "Big Ideas," a math curriculum program which uses both formal instruction and non-conventional methods to teach math to middle school and high school students.

Student math benchmarks are usually measured using state tests.

Data from this past year's M-STEP is not available until November so Rock suggested fifth graders' math growth be determined by comparing students against county and state averages.

To measure sixth and seventh graders' academic growth, rather than relying on M-STEP, Rock suggested students be tested using FAME, a Harvard created assessment rubric.



Rock

"The question is do we want to take a more holistic approach to testing," Hyer said.

Several board members said traditional tests like M-STEP and alternative testing methods should be considered, but traditional testing should be included, too.

"I would like to use at least two, one state and one local, to measure student benchmark and achievements," said Trustee Elizabeth Egan.

Rock's goals also aim to increase the well-being of students.

He said he will work improve the number of elementary students who feel healthy, safe, supported, challenged and engaged.

Rock's strategies include implementing Leader in Me, which piloted last year at four elementary schools in the district. Love and Logic, a program which uses positive tactics on students, will be in one elementary school.

Rock also wants Student Opportunities for After School Resources practices and increased social work support in elementary schools.

Measurements of the goals, Rock suggested, would be measured via surveys given to students, parents and teachers.

The Whole Child initiative is Rock's fourth goal, which addresses both academic and emotional needs of students and emphasizes the importance of students, parent, teachers and the communities responsibilities and role in educating children.

"Although this is not specific to students academic achievement, it is worth careful analysis in my opinion," he said.

A revised draft of Rock's goals will be presented and discussed at a future meeting.

School space rented for DPW

Clarkston City Council voted unanimously, Sept. 14, to approve a lease with Clarkston Community Schools for space in their bus garage.

The 13-by-64-foot bay in the garage behind Clarkston Junior High School will be used to store the city's sweeper, lift, and small dump truck, said City Manager Carol Eberhardt.

The lease is \$240 a month.

"We proposed a price, thinking they would counter, but they did not," Eberhardt said.

Speaking during public comment, city resident Tom Stone said the lease is a small fraction of the city's lease of the 3 E. Church Street building.

"The Clarkston schools rent of \$240 a month is 15 percent of what is presently being spent for 3 E. Church, which gives the city nearly seven months of rental space compared to one month," Stone said.

Council member Mike Sabol asked if the city will have 24-hour access, seven days a week, to the garage bay.

"I assume so - I can't answer that question," Eberhardt said.

"The answer is yes - it will be 24/7," Stone said.

- Phil Custodio

Truth-in-Taxation public hearing

A Truth-in-Taxation public hearing is Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m. at Independence Township Hall.

Due to Headlee roll-back requirements, several millage levy rates decreased, including two fire funds, the police fund, and the safety path fund.

Independence Township Board voted on Sept. 8 to decrease the millage rates, and increase the operating millage rate levied by the township by .2707 in the 2015-2016 budget to offset the lower tax revenues.

In 2016, the police fund faces funding issues with a \$25,000 revenue reduction under the Headlee Adjustment.

Supervisor Pat Kittle said the rollback may cause the police reserve fund to fall below 20 percent.

Township budget analyst Rick Yaeger said other decreases to the 2016 Police Budget will impact the fund, including a two percent reduction in contract fees through Oakland County, and less than expected ordinance fines.

"This many require some decisions on the police millages," Kittle said.

Township officials decided to recalculate and modify the millages after new information was presented by township assessors.

-Andrea Beaudoin

Independence Township Millage Rates

Source	Voted	Headlee	Recommended
General Fund	1.4100	1.0131	1.0131
Fire Fund #1	3.1688	3.1497	3.1497
Fire Fund #2	0.5900	0.5864	0.3500
Police Fund	2.9500	2.9323	2.9323
Safety Path Fund	0.4494	0.4467	0.3023

Briefly

Public hearing

Clarkston Planning Commission hosts a public hearing on a request for a parking deferment and a Special Land Use for patio seating at 15 S. Main, formerly Clarkston State Bank, at 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 5, at Artemus M. Pappas Village Hall, 375 Depot Road.

Call the city at 248-625-1559 for more information.

Township building fees going up

A new Independence Township building fee schedule takes effect October 1, 2015. The Township Board approved another five percent increase to take effect January 2017.

Building Department Director David Belcher said increased building fees were needed due to an upswing in current market. An improved market means more work and additional staff.

"A minor fee increase will more accurately align Independence Township with our neighboring communities," Belcher said.

The township has about 500 new homes and commercial developments in planning stages, said Supervisor Pat Kittle.

"The housing slump is over," Kittle said.

The last increase to building fees was in 2009. For the new list of fees visit www.independencetwpmi.us

Chili cookoff

Lowrie's Landscape and Chatham House hosts the Sixth Annual Chili Cook-Off, 6-9 p.m., Oct. 8, at 9561 Dixie Highway.

Bring your best chili for the cook-off, or sample entries and vote. There is no charge but each person is asked to bring one canned good to benefit The Lighthouse of Clarkston.

RSVP by Sept. 30 with Lowrie's Landscape at 248-625-8844 or Chatham House, 248-620-9000.

Prostate screenings

McLaren Oakland, Oakland County Urologists, and McLaren Cancer Institute will provide free prostate screenings on Thursday, Sept. 24, from 5-8 p.m. at McLaren Cancer Institute-5680 Bow Pointe Drive.

Each screening includes a PSA, Prostate Specific Antigen, blood test and digital prostate exam. Register by calling 248-338-5572.

Andrea's Anecdotes

A column by Andrea Beaudoin

Time to change world

In 2009, I begged leaders at Specs Howard School of Media Arts to create a Positive Psychology class. They requested I create one. I researched for months. I discovered the Positive Psychology movement and Harvard University's Professor Tal Ben-Shahar, a leader in the field.

I emailed him and insisted every school in the United States should teach such skills. He responded back to me favorably. I also sent emails to board members and superintendents at several schools, including Clarkston.



For People Poll this week, I asked parents what they want for their children as adults. Parents hope their children grow to be happy and help others. Being happy and helping the world requires tremendous internal resources. I was a poor student, especially at math. In my spare time I could be found writing.

Practicing my passion helped me learn forgiveness, acceptance and empathy. I believe it gave me the gift of seeing connections many do not.

The world needs mathematicians and scientists. We also need artists and writers. Mathematicians need writers, and scientists need artists to help deepen connections the other sees. Our diversity is a gift. It is the root of our intelligence. Without it we would not evolve. We must work together, to make life easier, cleaner, happier and more efficient for each other.

We must love our beautiful planet Earth, so very alive and beautiful. We must quit robbing Mother Nature, gouging and pillaging for minerals and oil. If our planet and its creatures die, humans die, too.

Caring for others and Earth, is not important to everyone, but we need everyone to make world a better place. Working together requires understanding of others, respect and open mindedness. To reach maximum potential, children must learn coping skills and lessons teaching them how to be a productive citizen in the world. If such barriers only holds us down in life were removed we each would be highest self and better able to freely to share our passion and talents with the world.

That's why I have long believed schools should teach Positive Psychology. Clarkston Community Schools was the first to adopt initiatives that relate deeply to Positive Psychology. Humanity has much to be proud of. We also have a long ways to go. Such revolutionary changes in society will take time.

Missed opportunity for open gov't

Clarkston City Council blew a chance to affirm its commitment to government transparency, Monday night, when it voted unanimously to go into closed session.

The city faces a lawsuit by former Council member Richard Bisio. The suit charges the council with going into closed session illegally last March.

James Tamm, attorney representing the city, recommended closed session at the Sept. 14 meeting to discuss the case.

Michigan's Open Meetings Act allows closed session in only certain circumstances. One of those is to "consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation, but only if an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of

the public body."

Bisio is not seeking monetary damages in his suit. His settlement offer to the city calls for council to admit to violating the

Open Meetings Act with the March 9 closed session as well as subsequent emailed conversations between council members.

He does, however, call for the city to pay his court costs for "filing and prosecuting this action, not including any attorney fees" - Bisio is an attorney representing himself in the case.

Equating "attorney fees" with "detrimental financial effect" is grasping at straws. City council blew an opportunity to demonstrate its commitment to open government by declining its attorney's suggestion and discussing the case openly.

-PMC

Editorial

Many to thank for new Depot Park bridge

Dear Editor,

On a sunny Labor Day afternoon, Diane and I had the pleasure of officially dedicating the new bridge at the south end of Depot Park. About 50 Clarkston area residents attended the ceremony to formally open the new bridge to the Clarkston community. Clarkston Mayor Joe Luginski officiated at the event.

The Clarkston Union graciously provided punch, cupcakes and cookies to celebrate the occasion. The new bridge is a welcome and attractive addition to Depot Park. Diane and I are happy to have been able to donate funds for the bridge in memory of my brother Jeff, who had planned to retire to Clarkston. Sadly, leukemia took him from us before he could come to the village, which takes its name from our ancestor, Jeremiah Clark.

While Diane and I donated the funds for the new bridge, the most striking aspect of this project was the wonderful way the community came together to make it a reality. Diane and I would like to pass along our sincere personal thanks to all those who helped make it happen.

First, our thanks go to City Manager Carol Eberhardt, who organized and coordinated the many aspects of this project. Without her strong support, the bridge project would not have been possible.

Next, recognition must go out to the Clarkston DPW Director Jason Miller, and to the DPW staff members Jake Harless and Jacob Lorenz. They did a tremendous amount of work to plan and implement the many improvements needed for the bridge that we can now enjoy. Clarkston is lucky to have employees like Jason and his staff.

At night, the new bridge is illuminated by four very attractive lights. These lights were donated by Clarkston residents Don Frayer,

Eric Haven, Sharron Catallo and Carol Eberhardt. These charming lights make the new bridge very attractive and safe after dark.

Those who cross the new bridge will see a totally new ADA compliant walkway from the bridge to Main Street (M-15). The labor and materials for this greatly improved walkway were donated by Ottmann Advanced Asphalt. This very generous contribution to the bridge project will benefit users of the bridge for years to come.

As you approach the new bridge, you will see gardens at the end of the bridge. All the plants in these gardens were donated by Trish Herning, the owner of American Roots Wildflowers. These native Michigan plants will grow and continue to beautify the bridge for years to come. Thanks also to a local community group, "The Wild Ones," who helped plant these gardens.

To provide safety and to prevent vandalism near the new bridge, the Optimist Club donated funds for a security camera which will soon be installed. This camera will protect the entire south end of Depot Park. Thank you Optimists!

Thanks also go out to the Clinton River Watershed Council for their very generous grant of \$5,000 and to the firm of Hubble Roth and Clark for their generous donation to the project of more than \$3,000. These funds helped cover many unanticipated costs relating to the project.

Last of all, our thanks go out to The Friends of Depot Park for their enthusiastic support of the project.

Diane and I are very fortunate to have been able to donate funds for the new bridge in memory of my late brother Jeff. I'm sure that somewhere Jeff is smiling now.

**Bart and Diane Clark
Clarkston**

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 2000

"Clarkston Creek proposal passes"

Independence Township voters said yes to the long-discussed Clarkston Creek Golf Course proposal by a vote of 1,609 to 535. With the vote, residents gave their approval to the township board to go forward with a deal with developers.

"No brews at Taste of Clarkston" The hopes of Taste of Clarkston patrons to sample beers from Big Buck Brewery were put on ice after the city council resolved not to allow the microbrew company, or anyone else, to sell liquor at the event. Though they did not rule out the possibility alcohol would be permitted in the future.

"Football team holds off Adams in wild home opener" In a battle of unbeaten, Clarkston's loss column remained untouched after defeating league rival Rochester Adams in front of a packed house in the Wolves home opener, 14-10.

25 years ago - 1990

"Friday storm thrashes Clarkston area"

A storm that brought high winds and possibly a "little tornado" damaged three buildings and overturned a semi-trailer truck in Springfield Township at 2 p.m. on Sept. 14. The storm also knocked down electrical wires in Independence Township.

"High school, college may share space" Oakland Community College and Clarkston school officials were pursuing ideas of a joint campus in the Clarkston area.

"Extra teachers to ease elementary overcrowding" Overcrowding in Clarkston schools would be eased by immediate additions of two first-grade teachers, one for Andersonville Elementary and Pine Knob Elementary, and a part-time kindergarten teacher for Pine Knob.

50 years ago - 1965

"Township receives grant" Congressman Billie S. Farnum announced the approval of a federal grant to Independence Township for \$20,802.

"Once there was a little white schoolhouse" Prior to 1951, only one building was sufficient for school needs as it housed 400-500 students in Kindergarten through 12th grade. Over 15 years, enrollment through the district went from 500 to 5,000 students.

"Wolves beat Oxford, 19-6" The Clarkston Varsity Football team opened the season on a successful note with a win over Oxford. During the 80-degree game the Wolves scored two touchdowns in the first quarter.

NASCAR, golf, Vitamin D and L Brooks

I think Congressmen should wear uniforms, you know, like NASCAR drivers, so we could identify their corporate sponsors.

Here we are a year ahead of the 2016 elections. Already I've heard enough propaganda from the self-proclaimed perfect candidates I've recleaned my up-chuck bucket three times.

From his first speech as president of the United States, when Obama said, "There will be complete transparency in my presidency."

I wonder if anybody has been wrong more often than Obama in the office of President of the United States?

He especially should have all his jackets have NASCAR-like insignias.

I haven't played golf all over the world, but nine holes in China and 18 in Scotland were nice. I especially liked having a caddy in Scotland. On one hole, my ball ran off the fairway a little way. My caddy kicked it back into the fairway, and in his delightful Scottish

accent he said, "Yer not here to suffer."

Talking to another caddy in the same round I learned caddies like to get back to the caddy shack as

Jim's Jottings



a column by
Jim Sherman

merge to produce reproductive organs.

quick as they can so they can start tipping and betting.

We are born naked, wet and hungry. Then things get worse. Let's replace all the Fountains of Youth with fountains of Smart!

Xerox and Wurlitzer will

Fact: A study finds fewer seniors fall while taking Vitamin D.

Vitamin D is found in such foods cheese, yogurt, egg yolks and beef liver, and the skin naturally produces the vitamin when exposed to sunlight. A team from the University of Buffalo has discov-

ered Vitamin D may play a significant roll in eye health, especially in the possible prevention of age-related muscular degeneration.

I live alone which gives me the freedom to name my rooms as I see fit. I've decided to stop calling the bathroom "the John" and have renamed it "the Jim." I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

I too often put all politicians in the same category as reptiles. But, in my years of sharing my opinions, I don't remember criticizing L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County Executive. Besides being able to keep his name free from public scandals, he's visible.

He does a tremendous job promoting charities, and keeping Oakland County high on the list of great places to live and rear children.

And nobody in public office in Oakland County has kept his smile and ours so evident since assuming the exec job 1992.

Paramedics restored pulse

Dear Editor,

A point of correction in the story of the young boy who drowned ("4-year-old drowns in pool," Sept. 9).

Pulses were restored by Independence Fire Department paramedics while enroute to the hospital.

The hospital staff stabilized the vital signs while Independence Fire Department Paramedics waited.

Independence Fire Department Paramedics then transported him to the helicopter landing pad, transferring care to

Beaumont 1 flight crew.

This is not a criticism of the story, but our men put everything they had to into saving Elijah, leaving them emotionally, mentally, and physically drained after the call.

We bear witness to the final moments of many lives but that experience, when it comes to a child's, is different.

Our men need to have proper credit assigned, and their efforts need to be portrayed accurately.

Independence Township
Fire Department

Thanks for hosting Football for a Cure

Dear Editor,

McLaren Cancer Institute and McLaren Breast Center would like to thank the Clarkston High School football coaches, staff, players, families of players whom supported the cause, community at large and the entire committee and volunteer crew who worked prior to, day of and post event to help raise approximately \$17,000.

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Deanna Hart
McLaren Cancer Institute

Dufus is as Dufus does so don't be a dufus driver

"I am embarrassed," the woman on the other end of my office phone told me . . . and then she told me her concerns. Hmm? Well damn.

I will be the first to admit when the school bells commence to ring, announcing the start of a new school year, I feel a little sad. Not so much so that my cobalt blue eyes mist over -- I just feel a little ache deep down there at the bottom of my keister when those darned school bells toll.

No, it's not me mourning the end of summer; nor do I regret feelings of remorse that all the children have less time to run, play and laugh because of the copious amounts of homework sure to mess up their social lives. None of that. Nothing so lofty or philosophical.

Hell, no. I am much too selfish to think of philosophical loftinesses and the wellbeing of others, 'specially those darned kids.

The start of a new school year just means I will spend more time sitting on my generous buttocks, behind the wheel of my sparkly gray Ford Escape in much, much slower morning and afternoon traffic. And the slower traffic -- obviously -- is caused by tons of kids driving themselves to school every morning and not fast moving, and oft stopping school buses transporting kids to

school.

Which leads me back the beginning . . .

. . . A local bus driver called me last Friday.

"I have just returned from New York," said she. "And, I am embarrassed to say, drivers in Michigan and even locally, are more rude than those in New York."

"Pray tell," I rather sarcastically replied as my Michigan pride went up in arms at the slight dealt to my brethren and sistren Mitten state drivers.

"I am not exaggerating," she countered. "The level of driver compassion here in North Oakland County is awful. People run stops signs and red lights; they ignore the flashing lights on my bus. People in town seem to be in too big a hurry, or they are texting. I can tell you, they are not thinking about safety. I had a bicyclist yelling profanities at my bus -- with all the kids hearing him."

I think I snarkily muttered something about the spandex revolution taking over our roads, "and wasn't that a damned shame" and that I'd do something about this new phenom of what I will now call the *Dufus Driver*. I don't know if she believed me, but while I may be a sarcastic and selfish lottee-da, I am a man of my word (albeit snarky).

Buses these days hold about 70 kids. During the mornings and afternoons in Clarkston there are about 50 buses on the roads. That's a lot of kids. Now, add in communities like Oxford, Brandon, Goodrich and Orion and you got lots of buses and tons of human cargo that needs to get to and from

school in the same condition as when they first left their mommy's apron.

According to the US Department of Transportation, from 2003 to 2012, there were 1,222 fatal motor vehicle traffic crashes involving school transport vehicles, resulting in 1,353 people dying. Think about that people . . . over 130 people a year (on average) never make it home because of school-transportation-related crashes. Not all, I am sure, are caused by Dufus Drivers, but I bet a fair share of them are.

My buttocks aside, nobody likes to sit in traffic longer than they have to. That said, welcome to the club folks! It is a part of life. Relax. It's better to get to where you are going late, than to cause an accident that may harm you or another. (Do you really wanna go through life knowing your dufusness caused a kid to be killed?)

I love sleeping in as much as the next cranky, old honky white dude, but, you know what? Every year, starting on that first Tuesday after Labor Day, I set my alarm 20 minutes early.

Rise and shine, Cupcake!

You can, too. If you are that Dufus Driver person -- always in a hurry, impatient, texting -- please allow yourself more time to get to where you're going, watch for kids (and kid drivers) and pay attention to all the traffic signals. Hey, all the cool kids are doing it, I'm doing it -- you can do it, too!

Don't Rush Me



A column by
Don Rush



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ENGINE ON PARADE: Bringing the Clarkston Labor Day parade to a close were some friendly waves from the Independence Township Fire Department firefighters, families, and friends, Sept. 7. Photo by Phil Custodio



Coming up this week:

Clarkston High School Football

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11 a.m.

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This Week:

Thursday, September 17
9:30 a.m.
Scripture Study

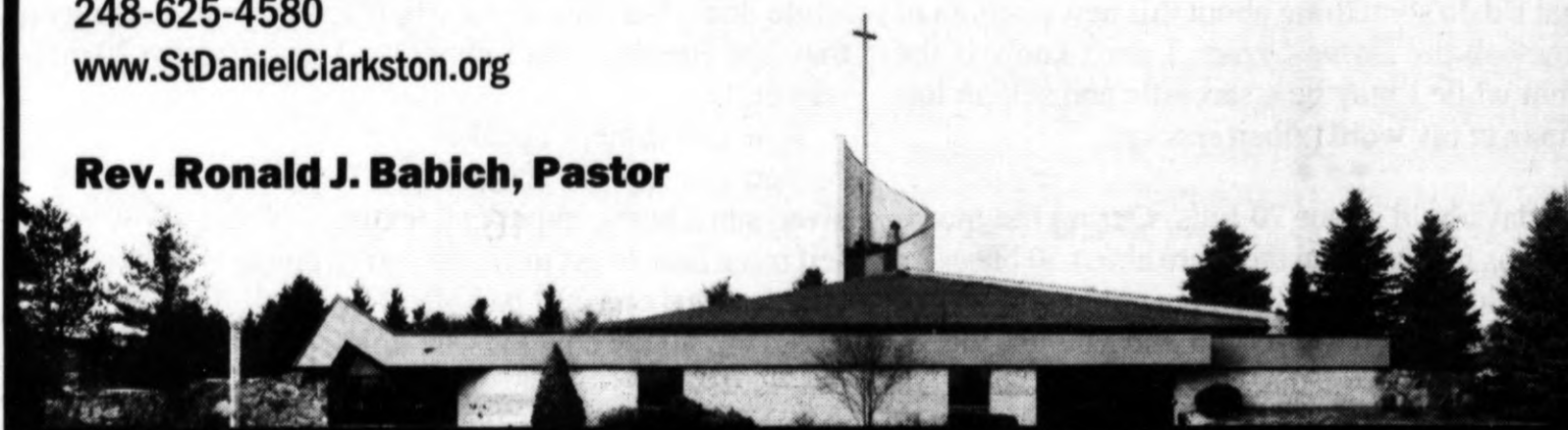
Wednesday, September 23
10:00 a.m.
Study of Sunday Scriptures

Monday, September 21
7:00 p.m.
Rosary Cenacle

Wednesday, September 23
6:30 p.m.
Evening Prayer

Tuesday, August 22
1:00 p.m.
Christian Yoga

Wednesday, September 23
7:00 p.m.
Scripture Study





Oakland County Sheriff's deputies demonstrate their motorcycle skills during the Clarkston Labor Day parade. Photo by Phil Custodio

Public Safety

For Clarkston and Independence Township

Man injured in fall

A 45-year-old Independence Township man was cleaning the front gutters on his house in the 5000 block of Skyline Court when he lost his footing and fell, 3:24 p.m., Sept. 3. He fell about 25-30 feet to the concrete front porch. His daughter yelled for her mother, and they called 911. Independence Township paramedics responded to treat the man, and took him to McLaren Oakland hospital in critical condition. He suffered injuries to his face and a collapsed lung.

Branch damages truck

A 65-year-old Ortonville man was driving north on Sashabaw Road at Sally Road when a large tree branch fell onto the hood of his truck, 1:32 p.m., Sept. 3. The branch damaged the vehicle's hood, grill, and front bumper.

Table theft

Someone took a small table from the front of a building in the 4000 block of Clintonville Road and threw it through the rear window of a van, Sept. 4.

Speeding without license

A 42-year-old Freeland man was stopped for driving 60 mph in a 45 mph zone on Clarkston Road, 5:04 p.m., Sept. 4. The driver was cited for expired license and speeding, and given a warning for no proof of insurance.

Stop sign scofflaw

A deputy stopped a car for running a stop sign from Snow Apple Drive to Waldon Road, 4:59 p.m., Sept. 6. The driver, a 32-year-old White Lake man, was cited for driving with a suspended license and disobeying a stop sign.

Home found rigged to burn

Continued from page 1
victims, lying on the floor in a pool of blood. Inside the home they immediately noticed a strong smell of gas. While checking the interior of the home, they found several small gas cans left open, staged so the residence might catch on fire or explode.

The natural gas line had been purposely disconnected and left on, and several kerosene lanterns were left burning.

Deputies were able to shut off the natural gas to the home and extinguish the burning lanterns. They also evacuated neighboring homes until the area was determined to be safe. The OCSO Forensic Crime Lab and Investigators from the Warrant Special Investigations Unit (SIU) responded to the scene.

The Oakland County Medical Examiner has ruled the case a murder/suicide, with no one else involved, said Undersheriff Mike McCabe.

Shot strikes home

Homeowners in the 5100 block of Pine Knob Trail heard a loud pop, 10:42 p.m., Sept. 11. They found a hole in the curtains and a hole in the wall that went through the other side. They did not see anyone or hear any vehicles. Deputies and a K-9 unit searched the area but didn't find anything. An on-duty Evidence Tech responded to process the scene.

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The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Independence will hold a public hearing on a proposed increase of 0.2707 mills in operating tax millage rate to be levied in 2015.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Charter Township of Independence Township Hall; 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, Michigan 48346.

The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 3.55% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved the operating revenue will increase by 1.76% over the preceding year's operating revenue.

The taxing unit publishing this noticed, and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

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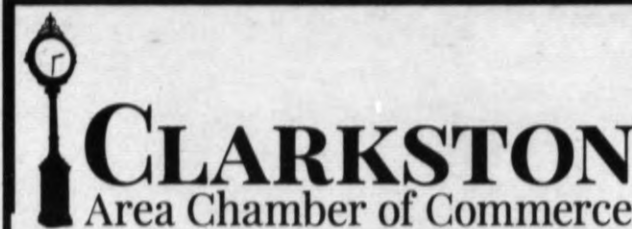
This Year's Schedule (unless noted 7 p.m. kickoff)

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	WIN/LOSS
Thursday	08-27-15	@Dakota High School	Loss
Friday	09-03-15	@Bloomfield Hills	Win (24-10)
Friday	09-11-15	@West Bloomfield	Loss
Friday	09-18-15	Stoney Creek	
Friday	09-25-15	Oxford	
Friday	10-02-15	Troy Athens	
Friday	10-9-15	@Troy	
Friday	10-17-15	Lake Orion	

OAA Red League Standings/Record

Team	Wins	Losses	Team	Wins	Losses
1. West Bloomfield	2	0	5. Oxford	1	1
2. Troy Athens	2	0	6. Roch Stoney Crk	1	1
3. Lake Orion	1	1	7. Bloomfield Hills	0	2
4. Clarkston	1	1	8. Troy	0	2

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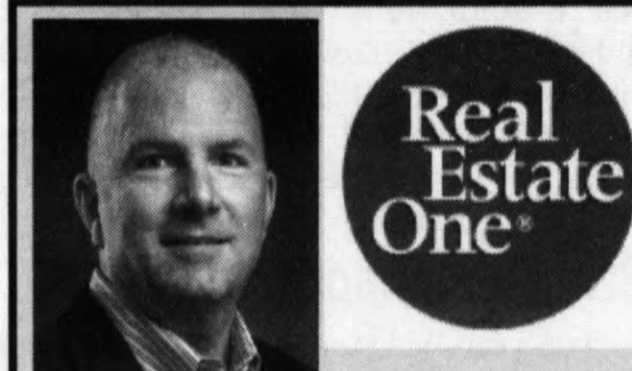


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Wolves work to overcome injuries

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Gridiron heroes were back on the field Monday afternoon preparing for their next test after their loss to West Bloomfield on Friday, 35-21.

"Our kids played hard," said Kurt Richardson, long-time head coach for Clarkston Varsity Football. "We had two key turnovers - one down in their red zone and one in our red zone and that's 14 points. We had kids jumping everywhere."

The first half of the game closed with a 14-14 tie. The Wolves scored on two touchdowns from Michael Fluegel. The first one was on a 68-yard touchdown run in the first quarter.

The second touchdown from Fluegel was off a 1-yard run with 5:49 remaining in the second quarter on a fourth and goal, which put the Wolves in the lead, 14-7.

The Lakers took control of the scoreboard four minutes into the third quarter with a touchdown from Trishton Jackson.

The Wolves started their control of the ball on their own 20-yard line. During the first play, West Bloomfield grabbed possession of the ball when it was fumbled on the 3-yard line. Jackson scored on the next play, doubling the Lakers' lead to 28-14.

"Trishton is just a helluva player," said Richardson. "We could've probably had 14 out there and I'm not sure we could have stopped him. It took away a little momentum."

Jonah Koponen scored the final touchdown for Clarkston on a 10-yard run in

the fourth quarter with 7:28 remaining in the game.

During the game Reiner completed two passes for 59 yards. Kessman, who stepped in for Reiner during the second quarter when Reiner was injured during a sack, went 3-for-8 on passing for 27 yards. He also was 3-for-3 on PATs.

Fluegel caught three passes for 63 yards. He also rushed 26 times for 141 yards.

J.T. King led defense with five tackles, two assists and one tackle with a 5-yard loss. Hayden Schoenheer had four tackles, two assists and one tackle for a 12-yard loss.

Nick Stalworth had four tackles, three assists and recovered a fumble; Mitch Heaton had four tackles and two assists; and Jack Muhleck had four tackles and one assist.

Clarkston posted their first win of the season when they defeated Bloomfield Hills on Sept. 4, 24-10.

Fluegel rushed the ball 27 times for 106 yards and three touchdowns. Reiner rushed the ball 13 times for 30 yards.

Kessman was 3-for-3 and had a 43-yard field goal.

Jake Buchmann led defense with four tackles and two assists. Ryan Renkiewicz, Muhleck, Stalworth and King had three tackles and two assists each. Jack Cooper, Jacob Fisher and Kyle Genter had three tackles each.

The Wolves (1-2, 1-1 OAA Red) host their home opener against Stoney Creek (1-2, 1-1) this Friday, 7 p.m.



Michael Fluegel runs down the middle while linebacker Sam Bullen holds off West Bloomfield defense. Photo by Larry Wright/Wright Action Pix

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK State champion swimmer

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Sydney Stricklin spent her summer collecting state titles and becoming ranked in the nation.

The 12-year-old, from the Village of Clarkston, won three events at the Michigan State Championship Meet in Holland, July 24-26. She won in the 50-yard butterfly, 30.21; 200-yard IM, 2:33.26; and 400-yard freestyle relay, 4:15.94 with her teammates from Liquid Lightning Swim Team in Lake Orion.

"I was really excited that I won," she smiled.

During the meet she also placed second in the 400-yard IM, 5:25.14; 200-yard freestyle, 2:15.56; third place in 100-yard freestyle, 1:02.25; and fifth in the 100-yard, 1:10.44.

Stricklin also scored the most points at the state meet in which she received the High Point Award for her achievement.

She followed it up with a visit to the Zone Championship at the University of Minnesota where she competed with Team Michigan, Aug. 7-9.

It was at this meet she swam against teams from Iowa, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

"I think it is fun because the people I normally compete against I was on the same team as them," she said.

She added her goal was to do well at zones.

"But since I never went to zones before I didn't know what to expect," Stricklin said. "The first zone meet I did good."

She won first place in the 50-yard butterfly event at 29.68, which ranked her 13th in the nation.

"I think that is really exciting," she smiled. "I had no idea I was going to win zones. I was really surprised. I looked up at the scoreboard and saw I won. I was really happy."



Sydney Stricklin. Photo submitted

With Team Michigan, she finished in first place in the 400-yard freestyle relay and set a new Zone record at 4:06.97.

Stricklin also finished sixth place in the 200-yard IM, 2:36.87; seventh place in the 100-yard freestyle, 1:03.22; and eighth place in the 50-yard freestyle, 29.12.

She has been swimming for six years and began with swim lessons.

"After I finished swim lessons I just wanted to keep swimming and there wasn't anymore levels of swim lessons for me," Stricklin explained, adding that's when she joined Liquid Lightning.

She added while swimming she also enjoys seeing her friends, has fun and it's good exercise.

When she isn't swimming or learning during home school she enjoys baking (especially cookies and cakes) art, biking with her family, spending time with her friends and with the Oasis Middle School group at Woodside Bible Church in Troy.

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Lady Wolves run for top finish season

Runners finished their first OAA Red Jamboree in second place with senior Nicole Hanson leading the pack in her second place finish, 18:48.2.

Birmingham Seaholm finished in first and Clarkston Girls Cross Country Coach Kevin Breen added they are always tough.

"We are going to be one of the top teams in the league," he said. "We will be top two or top three. Birmingham Seaholm lost some of their best runners. It will give us a shot at getting in there but we need to move our pack up a little bit. In second or third race we will be more competitive especially against Seaholm."

Returning runners for this year's team

include Hanson, Kaitlyn Cavallo, Alex Gladding and Kailan Mehta.

"We have very solid underclassmen in the same mix," Breen said, adding the underclassmen are Hailey Catania, Elizabeth Dalrymple, Emily and Mallory Ferguson, Natalia Gergle and Emily Gustafson.

"I expect they will be making waves later this season," he added. "They are improving pretty quickly and they show a lot of talent in practices. As a whole, I think we are really deep with all those runners. We are faster than we have been in previous years at the start of the season."

He added with a lot of underclassmen and returners there are a lot of girls fighting for

varsity spots.

"As the season progresses that will help us out overall and in the first jamboree we are going into it knowing our team, the quality of the team and the speed of the team we are real solid," Breen said. "As they get more experience under their belt they are going to start realizing how good they could be."

He added the season looks good with the amount of runners and how they pan out for the top runners on the varsity team.

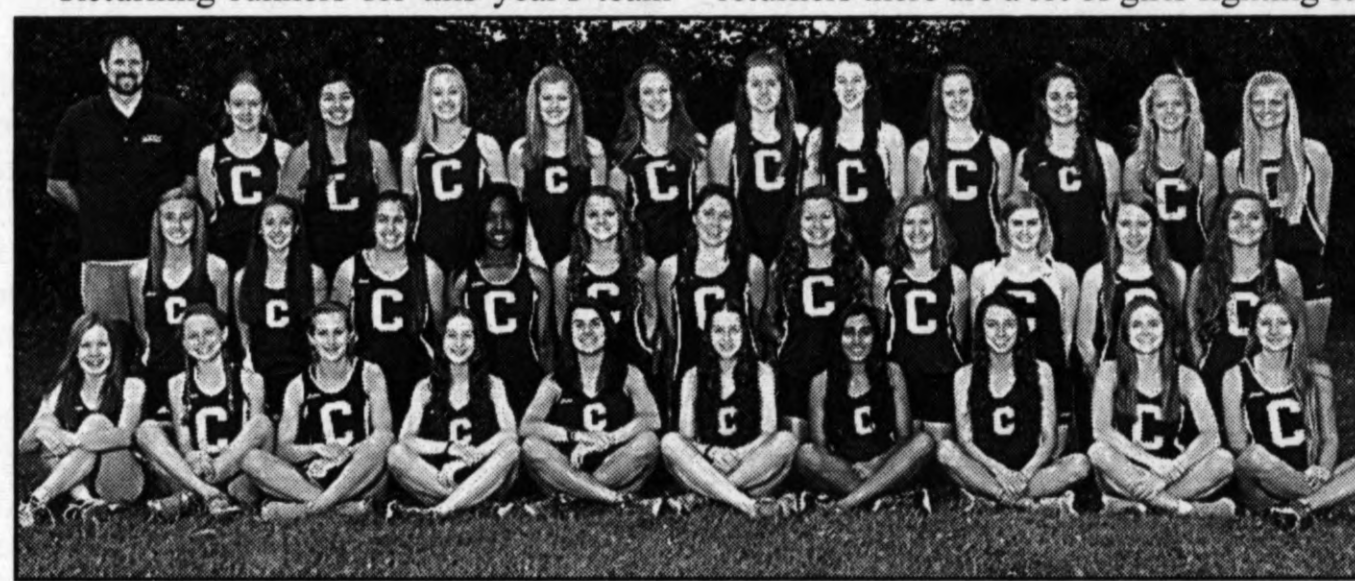
"We have a really good shot at being one of the top teams in the county, regional and the state," Breen said. "We had a lot of good training in the summer so a lot of the girls got their mileage in. This is probably going to be one of the best starts I have had with the team."

The Lady Wolves also competed in the Averill Invitational on Saturday where they finished in third place behind two Seaholm teams with 96 points.

Hanson and Dalrymple finished in the top 15 with Hanson at second place, 18:47; and Dalrymple in third place, 19:25.

The girls head to the Chesaning Invitational on Thursday and the Michigan State University Spartan Invitational on Friday.

~Sports Writer Wendi Reardon



Clarkston Girls Cross Country team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

Golfers tee off for new fall season

The Lady Wolves are aiming for a successful season on the greens.

"It looks good," said Clarkston Girls Varsity Golf Coach Lezlie Hallman, about the fall season and her first season as varsity coach. "We have ten girls and I started out just wanting five on varsity, but our numbers were really high for those who showed up for tryouts."

The team includes Meghan Deardorff, Payton Greenlee, Annika Karlstrom, Ashley Liles, Elizabeth Oda, Ilham Osman, Zoe Puskar, Claudia Sampson, Samantha Weber and Shannon White.

"They are all good," Hallman said. "We are excited."

She added it does pose a problem at tournaments because usually 5-6 golfers compete with only four scores counting.

"Some are sitting out but they are getting experience," Hallman said. "Our golf team is going to look good for the next few years. We are now in the midsection in tournaments."

The Lady Wolves most recent meet was to Seaholm with a 194-175 loss, putting them 1-3 in the league. Deardorff led the team with a 46; Sampson had a 48 and both Weber and Osman had a 50.

They have an OAA tournament this Wednesday at Crystal Lake Golf Club in Pontiac. They head to Great Oaks on

Monday for a tournament before they host Troy Athens next Wednesday at Oakhurst Golf and Country Club.

"They never stop amazing me on what they can do and their drive to be good at this," Hallman said. "We are having a good

time. They are helping me and I am helping them."

The team is having a fundraiser with an Adult Only Comedy Show on Friday, Sept. 25 at Airline Lanes in Waterford. Doors open at 8 p.m. and is \$25 per person. ~WAR



Clarkston Girls Varsity Golf team. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Tournament champs

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Kickers captured another tournament champion title on Saturday after winning the De La Salle tournament.

"It is a first for the program so we are pretty excited," said Curtis Payment, head coach for Clarkston Boys Varsity Soccer. "It is a pretty prestigious tournament. There are some great teams so we are overjoyed to win."

The Wolves went 3-0 with three shutouts. They defeated University of Detroit with a goal from Matt DeFinis, off an assist from John Raymo. Freshman keeper Noah Bridgeman saved three shots on the net.

"He got his first varsity start in goal and got a shut out," Payment added. "He is a pretty big player for our future. He did really good and he will be fun to watch in years to come."

Senior Conner Sajan was back in the net for the next two shutouts. The first one was against Plymouth Salem where the Wolves won 2-0, with goals from Jake Hallberg and Jake Kuczmanski with assist from Josh McCaghy and Jacob Moreno. Sajan made five saves in the game.

For the final game, Clarkston went up against state champions Canton to win 1-0.

"We competed really good with Canton, but they had more opportunities then we would have liked," Payment said. "It is to be expected. They are still really good this year. It was a really exciting weekend."

Robbie Farrell made the lone goal during the game off an assist from Alex Komatz. Sajan made 10 saves in the net.

"He saved a couple of amazing shots," said Payment.

The Wolves played Detroit Catholic Central and Oxford last week, which both ended in ties.

Jared Sudden scored against Oxford in the 1-1 tie on Sept. 8

"It was a good game for us," Payment

added. "We didn't end up with a lot of chances."

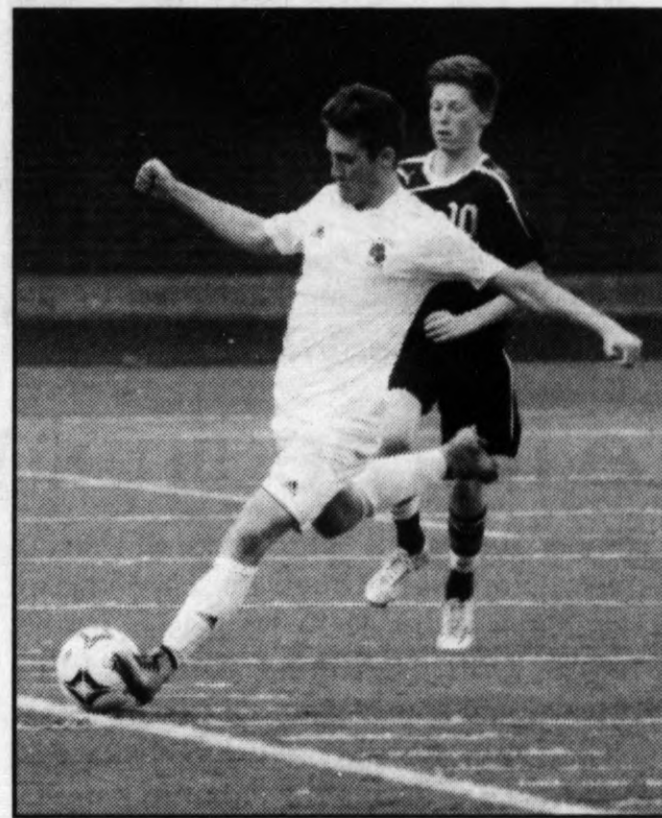
The game against the Shamrocks from Catholic Central ended with both teams at zero. Sajan had six saves and the Wolves had 11 shots on goal.

"They are the number one ranked team in the state," Payment said. "We had 11 corners to their three. We really played well in that game. We outplayed them and had the ball a lot. They are really strong on defense. We were having a hard time breaking them down. It was a great game for our confidence because we had them on the ropes at times."

The Wolves opened the week against Stoney Creek on Tuesday, head to Rochester Adams on Thursday, and are back home against Lake Orion next Tuesday.

The boys host the Special Olympics Soccer game on Sunday at 6 p.m.

"We are excited for it and are expecting great weather," said Payment.



Jake Hallberg leads the ball away from Oxford offense. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Everest defeats in overtime

The Mountaineers went 1-1 in their last two games beginning with a win over Royal Oak Shrine.

Everest Collegiate High School Football defeated Royal Oak in overtime on Sept. 4, 17-14.

The scoring began with a 30-yard touchdown pass from Grant Burgess to Thomas Thibodeau in the second quarter. A PAT from Simon Fenske tied the score, 7-7.

During the fourth quarter, Alex Legg ran a 1-yard touchdown and Fenske kicked a PAT, tying the score again. The game ended with a 22-yard field goal by Fenske.

Burgess went 5-for-10 for passing for 80 yards. Luke Allen caught three passes for 23

yards; Thibodeau caught one pass for 30 yards and Andrew Hayosh caught one pass for 27 yards.

For rushing, Fenske ran 43 yards on eight carries, Isaiah Hellner ran 41 yards on 11 carries, and Legg ran 27 yards on 16 carries.

The Mountaineers lost to Riverview Gabriel Richard last Friday, 26-0.

Burgess was 2-for-5 on passing for 16 yards and Allen caught two passes for 16 yards.

Legg rushed the ball for 60 yards on 15 carries and Fenske rushed the ball for 31 yards on seven carries.

Everest is now 2-1 overall and 1-1 in the Catholic High School League.

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Friday, Sept. 11	Riverview Gabriel Richard	Loss, 26-0
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Friday, Sept. 25	Royal Oak Shrine	Away 7 PM
Saturday, Oct. 3	Allen Park Cabrini (Homecoming)	Home 1 PM
Saturday, Oct. 10	Riverview Gabriel Richard	Home 1 PM
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Cross country team sets goal for states

The Wolves have the fall season off and running after finishing two meets last week.

"We have a fair amount of returners," said Clarkston Boys Cross Country Coach Michael Taylor. "We lost some key guys, but we have enough talent to overcome it. I was surprised by the large amount of freshmen I have out - 22. Usually I have 7-8 freshmen."

Taylor expects a lot from freshman Shawn Slater and Casper Schichtle. Also, looking good on the varsity team are juniors Gavin Eisert, Jacob Dolan, Mika Juuhl and Luke Oldford.

"Luke is another junior who was pretty good and contributed last year at regional," Taylor said. "He looks good if I can get him healthy. Jacob is looking pretty good."

Leading the team for their senior and final season are Grant Henley, Eric Smith, Michael Baker and Derek Opel.

"I am looking forward to see how it plays out this year," Taylor added. "Our JV will be a pretty good squad as well. I have a lot of young guys and a lot of first timers with me this season."

Like every season the goal is to qualify for the state final meet on Nov. 7, and be one of the top three in the MHSAA Regional meet at Anchor Bay High School at the end of October.

"This year is no different," Taylor said,

adding the region has changed which has more teams from the OAA Red as well as Romeo and Port Huron, both tough teams. "Only three teams come out and there are six teams who could say their goal is to get out of there - that's the challenge."

The OAA Red league as always is tough with Rochester, Rochester Adams, Lake Orion, Oxford, Birmingham Seaholm and Troy.

"We have three teams coming back that were in the top 20 last year - Rochester was tenth," Taylor explained. "We were the next best team and Orion was right behind us. It was close but Orion beat us throughout the season and were league champions. It is very competitive. The thing about our league, too,

is everyone has at least ten years coaching experience. Most of us have more than 25 years. So you are dealing with people who have established their programs they have have been there and seen it before."

The Wolves finished fifth place in the Averill Invitational on Saturday with 142 points.

The boys took sixth place at the OAA Red Jamboree No. 1 with 106 points. Juuhl led the team, finishing in 16th place at 17:18.8. Dolan finished in 18th place, 17:25.3; and Henley in 19th place, 17:27.2.

They head to the Chesaning Invitational on Thursday and the Michigan State University Spartan Invitational on Friday.

~Sports Writer Wendi Reardon



Clarkston Boys Cross Country team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

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Lady Wolves ace the beginning of fall play

Spikers start their OAA Red league play this week and with 27 games under their belts they have the experience for the tough competition.

"We know where our strengths are, we know where our weaknesses are, and we know what we need to do to win," said Clarkston Varsity Volleyball Coach Kelly Pinner, about the girls 20-6-1 record. "We talked about that is all we are going to focus on because we don't have any Saturday tournaments for a while."

The Lady Wolves start league play with Rochester Adams this Thursday at home and Pinner advised the girls no matter the competition to play up.

"Lake Orion is the favorite," Pinner noted. "Seaholm and Stoney Creek are tough. Those are teams we will have to play tough matches to win the whole thing. We have already lost to Orion twice. We haven't taken a game from them."

She added losing to Orion gives the team a desire to win.

"Even though you have lost to them twice doesn't mean they are the better team," Pinner has told the Lady Wolves. "Playing them twice and losing to them twice definitely gives us a hunger and desire to beat them when it counts."

The team includes sophomores Jennifer Chupinsky, Grace Kraft, Kayla Luchenbach,

Abby Malinowski; juniors Sarah Austin, Abigail Horning, Sydney Jensen, Madison Jidas, Kayla Miller, Kelly Nickelson; seniors Maggie Collins, Emma Curd, Ashley Schwartz and Lauren Tait.

The Lady Wolves went 8-3 last week. They went 3-2 during the Novi Invitational with wins over Plymouth, Livonia Stevenson and Brighton. They lost to Gabriel Richard and Lake Orion.

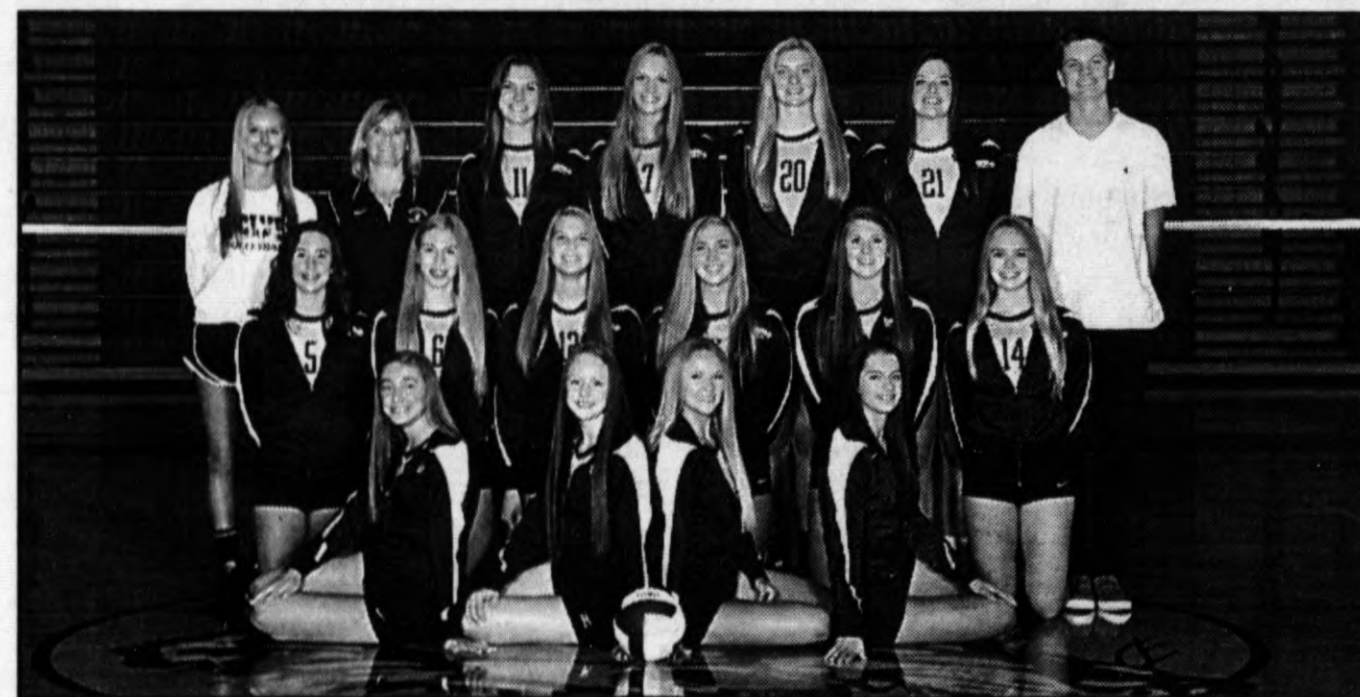
Malinowski had 31 kills and 38 assists. Austin had 20 kills and six aces. Collins had 15 kills and 20 blocks and Schwartz had 54 digs.

Clarkston went 2-1 in their quad on Thursday with wins over Seaholm and Macomb Dakota. They lost to Marian. During the night, Malinowski had 21 kills, Austin had 17 kills, and Collins had 10 kills and nine blocks.

They opened the week at the Flushing Quad where they beat Flushing, Oxford and North Branch.

"We had a really good match against North Branch," Pinner added. "They are a good program."

Malinowski had 27 kills and 30 assists and Curd 10 kills and 15 blocks. ~WAR



Clarkston Varsity Volleyball team. Photo by Visual Sports Network



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Clarkston Elementary students start the new year with the Seven Habits of Highly Effective Students, illustrated as a tree. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Positive messages for first day

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

This year's first day of school at Springfield Plains and Clarkston Elementary began with inspirational messages to students.

"Good morning, Springfield Plains," said Interim Principal Matt Gifford. "You are all empowered to learn, to think and to lead. Your story of learning begins today. You are the author of your book. Your teachers and I are here to help you write your story."

"Your school year is before you. As you think about your school year, consider this quote by Walt Disney, 'You can design and create, and build the most wonderful place in the world. But it takes people to make the dream a reality,'" Gifford told students.

He also created a school wide assembly to give the students a message about leadership and give them a pep talk to begin the year.

"We talked about now is the time to be awesome," Gifford added. "We want our student to unleash their leadership potential. 'How you have to be a leader and be awesome?'"

During the assembly student council members, elected last year, were recognized by staff and spoke about leadership.

Clarkston Elementary Principal Brian

Adams started the year with positive messages and an inspirational assembly too.

"As always at Clarkston Elementary, relationships will be our foundation. This year, the staff will use our relationships to empower you to be thoughtful leaders who connect with the world around you," Adams said on the first day.

"We believe each of you has the ability to be a leader who thinks deeply about life and learning. We want to help you find ways to be powerful in your world, so it is our goal to help you find your voice and inspire others to find theirs."

Throughout the first week, Adams said school staff spoke about a process called The Leader in Me.

"We made announcements about the seven habits," said Adams.

At the end of the first week of school on Friday, Adams showed videos and spoke to students during an assembly about the "7 Habits of Highly Effective Students." Adams created a presentation using videos explaining to student what the seven habits mean, and tips on how to achieve them.

Students were excited and engaged during the presentation and the room was full of students responding to various videos in the assembly as well as Adams' message.

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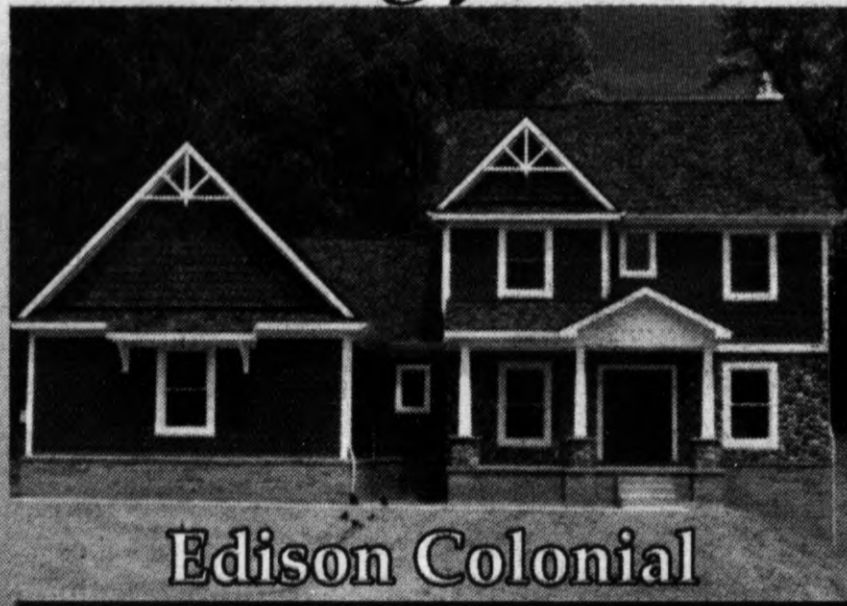
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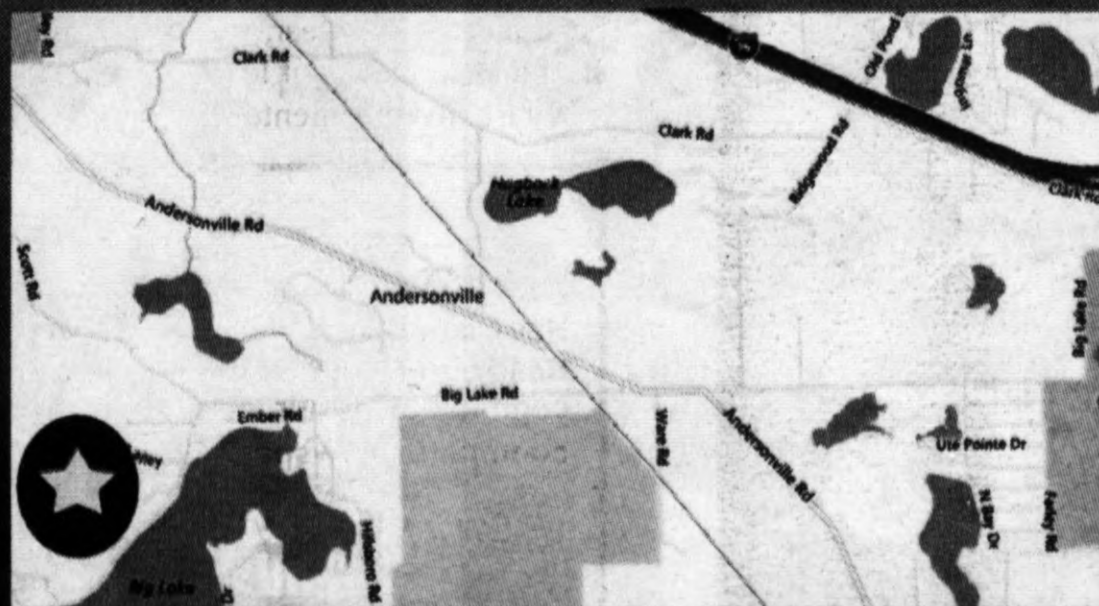
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Runners see Red in OAA

Clarkston Cross Country teams ran in their first OAA Jamboree at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills, Sept. 9.

The Lady Wolves finished in second place with 92 points as Birmingham Seaholm finished in first place with 20 points. Rochester Adams finished in third place with 97 points.

Nicole Hanson led the team as she finished in second place at the time of 18:48.2.

Other placing for the girls team were Elizabeth Dalrymple, sixth, 19:35.8; Mallory Ferguson, 18th, 20:53.5; Kailan Mehta, 34th, 21:26.5; Emily Gustafson, 36th, 21:30; Kaitlyn Cavallo, 39th, 21:38.4; Alex Gladding, 43rd, 21:50.7; Emily Ferguson, 47th, 22:11.7; Hailey Catania, 48th, 22:15.4; and Kelsey Hunt, 49th,

22:17.7

The boys team finished in sixth place with 106 points. Rochester Adams finished in first place with 54 points.

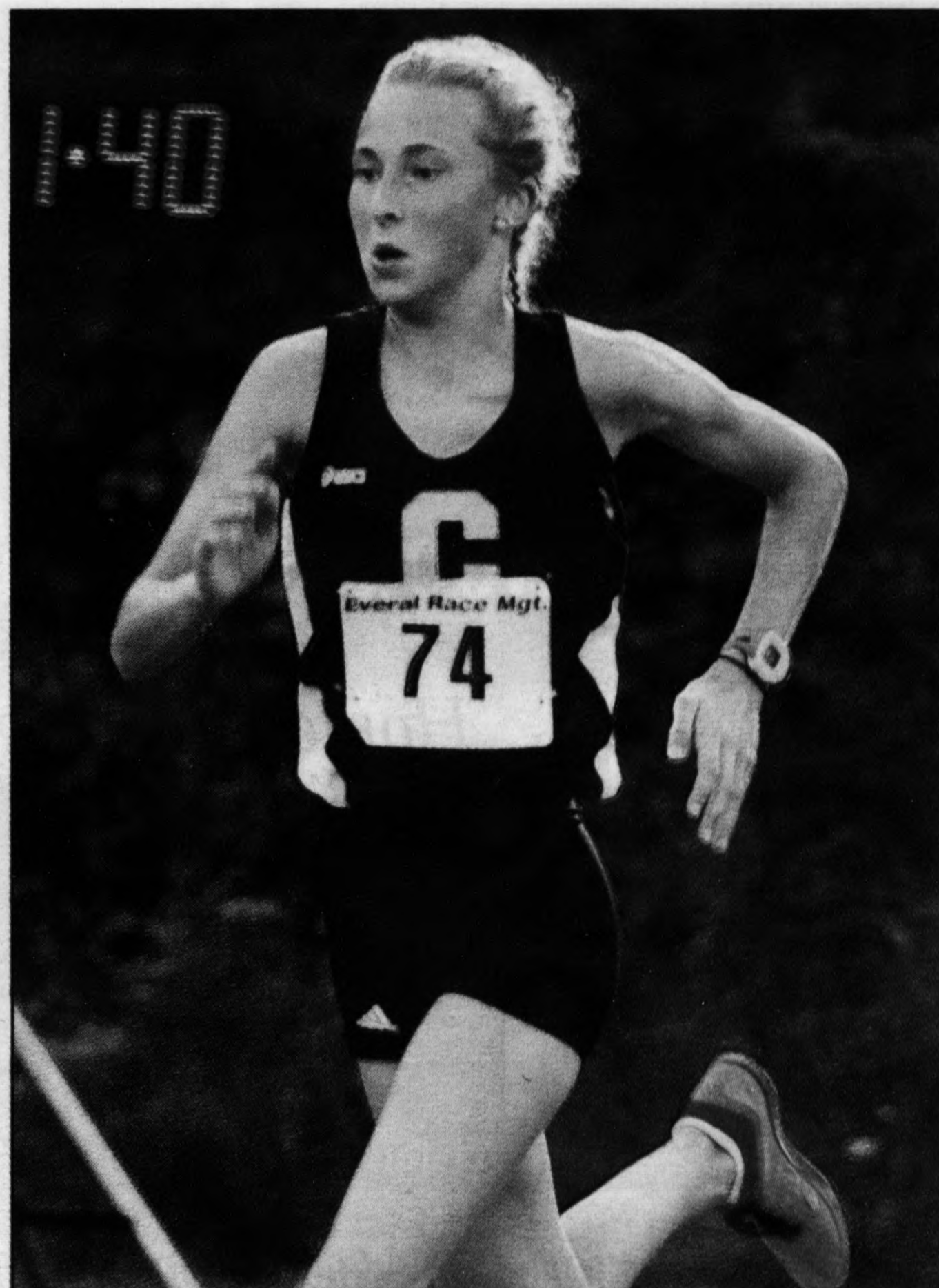
Mika Juuhl led the team as finished in 16th place in the time of 17:18.8.

Also finishing for the Wolves, Jacob Dolan, 18th place, 17:25.3; Grant Henley, 19th, 17:27.2; William Eisert, 25th, 17:40.2; Michael Baker, 28th, 17:50.9; Eric Smith, 33rd, 18:06.3; Luke Oldford, 35th, 18:10.4; Shawn Slater, 38th, 18:14.5; Casper Schichtle, 49th, 18:52.7; and Derek Opel, 50th, 18:55.2.

The next OAA Red Jamboree for both teams is at Stoney Creek Metro Park, Sept. 29.



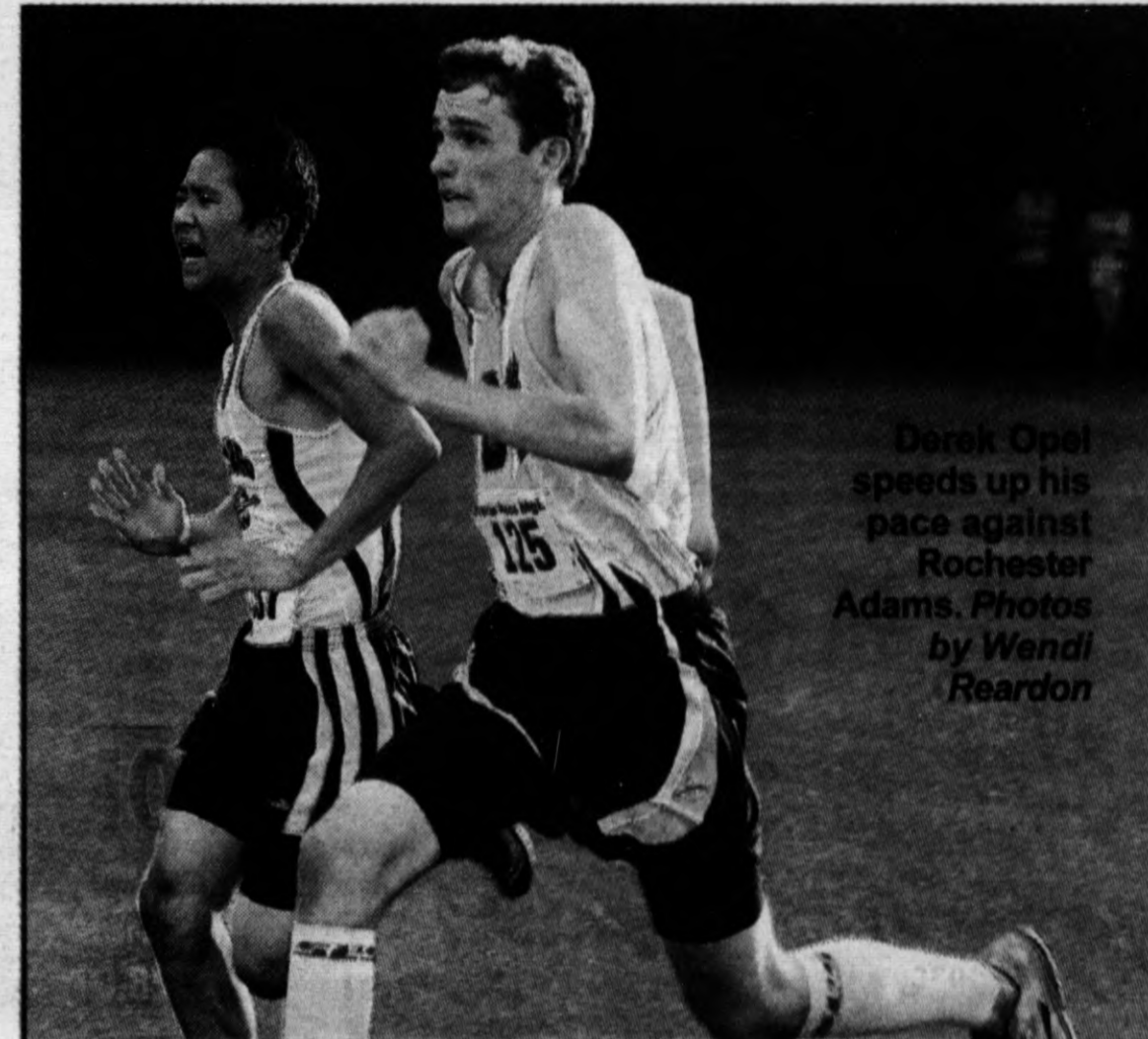
Mika Juuhl breaks out of the woods with a lead on Lake Orion and Rochester Adams.



Alex Gladding closes in on the last meters of the race.



Kaitlyn Cavallo keeps her pace with Lake Orion's Lana Skrna.



Derek Opel speeds up his pace against Rochester Adams. Photos by Wendi Reardon

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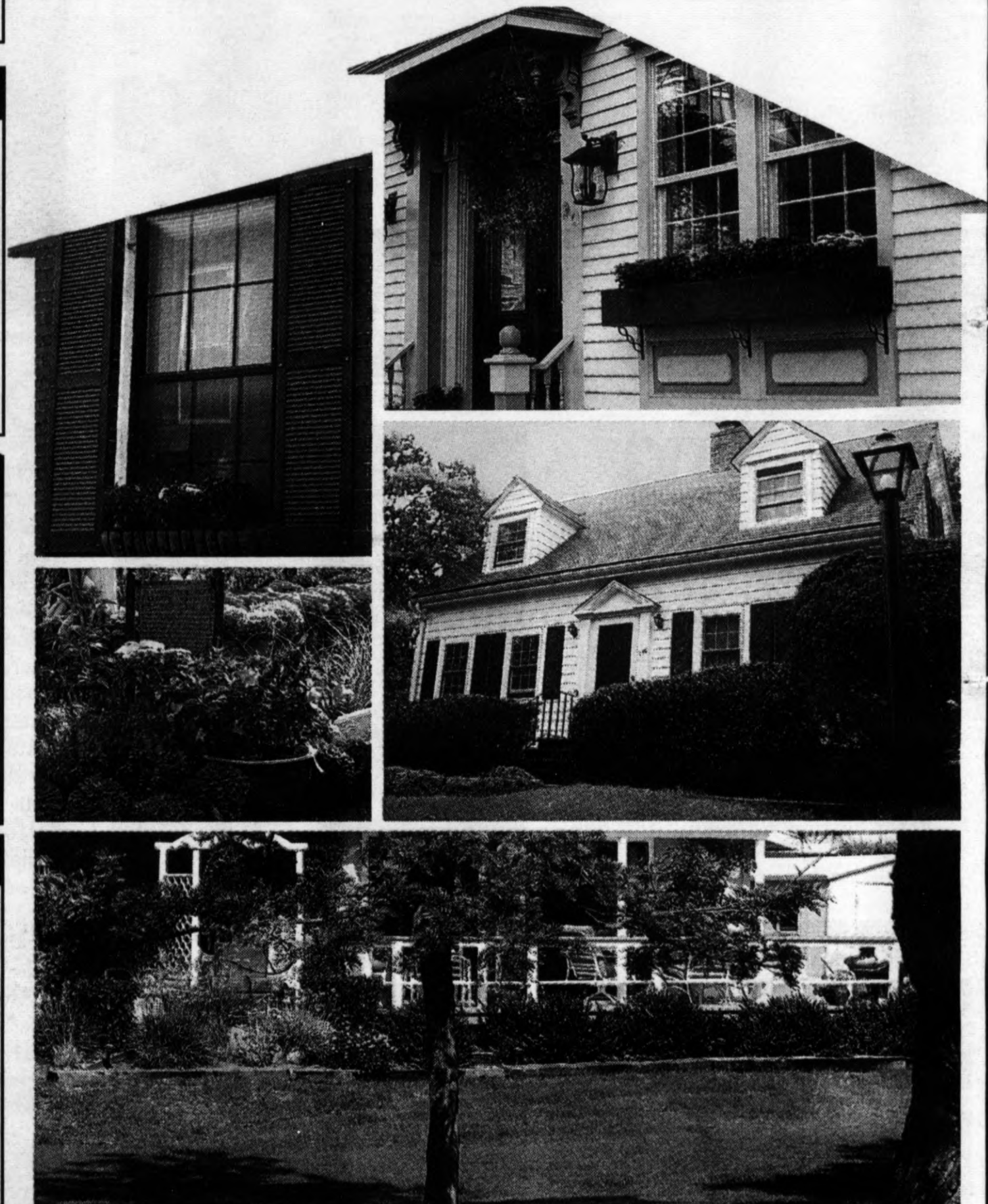
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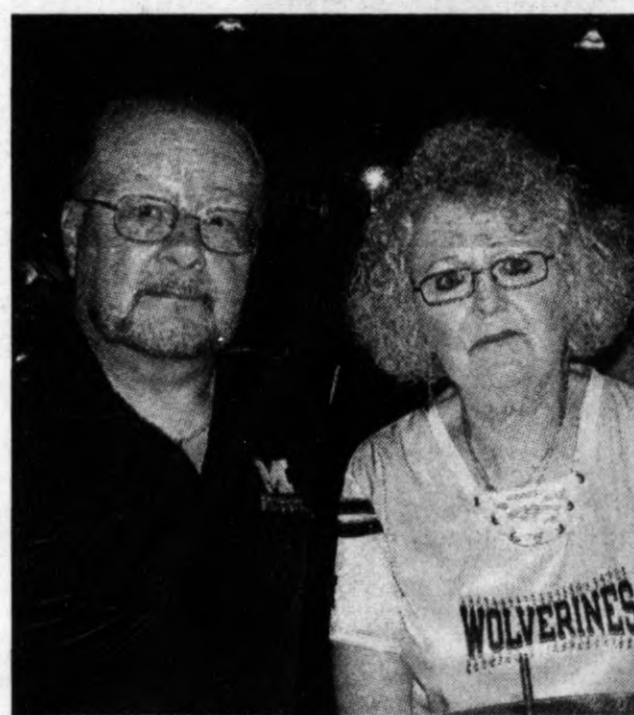
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Mary Lou Schell wins first pick in the gift raffle. Photos by Phil Custodio



Gene and Erika Rieck of Clarkston sport their UM shirts at the tailgate themed event.



Debbie and John Arcello of Clarkston don't let school rivalry get in their way.



A hungry crowd fills Main Street at last year's Taste of Clarkston.

One weekend, two events

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Church and Main streets, where DJ Greg Martin, Audrey Ray Band and Angela and Tom Sheppard will perform throughout the event.

Another stage will be located at the corner of Washington and Main street, where Sam VanWagoner Band, Tedder Productions and the Andy Patalan Trio will perform. Andy Patalan is best known as the guitarist and backing vocalist for the alternative rock band Sponge.

In addition to the live local musicians, performers will include stilt walkers, Renaissance Festival characters, pop up entertainment, and 94.7 WCSX is broadcasting live at 3 p.m. next to the Bowman Chevrolet Exhibit at the Clarkston Union.

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Clarkston Renaissance High School, Clarkston High School beginning at 11:30 a.m. and running to 6:30 p.m.

The Taste is Sunday from 12 to 6 p.m. on Main Street in Historic Downtown Clarkston.

Visitors can also check out Clarkston's 43rd annual Art in the Village, held on Saturday and Sunday in Clarkston's Depot Park, features over 80 artists with creations using wood, glass, pottery, paintings, photography, textiles, jewelry and more.

Art in the Village is hosted by Clarkston Community Historical Society, and is the Society's major annual fundraiser.

Copies of "Images of America: Clarkston," by Clarkston author Cara Catallo and the CCHS will be available. Visitors can view images of the history of the village and Independence Township.

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Checking out last year's Art in the Village in Depot Park. Photos provided

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The Lady Wolves soccer players show off their "Love Clarkston" tees for their fundraiser. Photo provided

Lady Kickers fundraise with inspiring tees

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

New T-shirts are storming through the community with a positive, simple message - Love Clarkston.

The T-shirts are a fundraiser for the Clarkston Girls Soccer Program but is made for everyone - not just soccer fans.

"They are awesome because this is a new way for us to start fundraising and get the soccer program out there," said senior Ashley Miles. "This represents Clarkston - this is who we are. We are the Wolves. It's an awesome way to show they support our community."

"It's a great way to start something new for fundraising for soccer," added senior Stephanie Gabbard. "The T-shirts are nice for everyone to join in and get. Everyone can use a T-shirt."

The T-shirt started with an idea from parent Julie LeBourdais.

She was making a handmade board to put on her wall to put her daughter, Anna's,

soccer photos on during the season.

"I wanted to do something with the mascot and the 'Love' theme," she explained. "The more and more I thought about it - how can I use it and was trying to think of ways for fundraising for the girls soccer program."

She called Mike Nelson, head coach for the varsity team and ran her idea by him.

"We are always looking for new outlets of fundraising," Nelson said. "And this is a good shirt design. It is for Clarkston and either or not you are an athlete, even if you have kids in the school or not - it's good to represent Clarkston."

He explained the money raised goes to everything they purchase for the program including equipment, uniforms and paying assistant coaches.

"The more fundraising we can do and more successful we are the better equipment and higher quality of uniforms we can continue to get the girls," Nelson added.

Julie contacted Logos & Letters, located 6525 Dixie Highway, to see if they could help

her put it on a T-shirt and asked advice from other parents. Some gave her the advice to put it on camouflage print - a popular choice for the student fan section.

Julie posted the T-shirt on the Postively Clarkston Facebook and received overwhelming responses from not only fans but businesses and teachers.

"When I posted it on Facebook, two school board members and 5-6 teachers reached out to me saying they want a T-shirt," she explained. "Then, Anne Duffy from Independence Elementary said she wanted to do a staff order. It has snowballed from there."

The T-shirts are for sale for \$20 with the proceeds going to the Clarkston Girls Soccer Program. They are available in navy blue and camo.

The Lady Wolves will have a booth with Logos & Letters at the Taste of Clarkston on Sunday in downtown Clarkston from 12-6 p.m. The T-shirts are also available at Bordine's Nursery and Logos & Letters.



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Clarkston High School reunion, class of 1960, Sept. 19, Deer Lake Athletic Club, 6167 White Lake Road. Call Diane at 248-375-9629.

Lunch with the Ice Queen and Snow Princess, 2 p.m., Sept. 20, Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road. \$20. Lunch, tiara or crown, singing and dancing, photo opportunities. 248-623-0444.

Taste of Clarkston, 12-6 p.m., Sept. 20, downtown Clarkston. Sample entrees, desserts, products from over 30 local restaurants and 50 exhibitors. Art in the Village in Depot Park. 248-625-8055.

Dog Swim, 12-3:55 p.m., Sept. 20, Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road. Contests, Best Wet Look and Best Swimsuit. Register for time slots, 75 dogs per slot. \$10 pre-registration by Sept. 17 at 248-424-7078; \$15 onsite registration.

David Berkeley in concert, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 24, Picasso's Grapevine, 12 S. Main Street. \$15. 248-297-5982.

Lunch & Learn: Topics for Ostomy patients, 11:30 a.m., Sept. 25, McLaren Cancer Institute - Clarkston, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Free. Register by Sept. 21, 248-922-6860.

Treasures and Treats fund raiser for Neighbor for Neighbor, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Oct. 2-3, Hart Community Center, Davisburg. Rummage and bake sale. 248-634-0900.

How Aging Affects Sleep in Adults and Elderly, 3 p.m., Oct. 7, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Free educational seminar, mclaren.org/oaklandsleep.

Chili Cook-Off, 6-9 p.m., Oct. 8, Lowrie's Landscape and Chatham House, 9561 Dixie

Berkeley in concert

Clarkston Cultural Arts hosts David Berkeley in concert, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 24, at Picasso's Grapevine, 12 S. Main Street.

The singer and writer will perform favorites and tell stories from "The Fire In My Head," "Some Kind of Cure," and his other albums, as well as his new works "Cardboard Boat" and "The Free Brontosaurus" which releases Sept. 25.

"The Free Brontosaurus" is named after a sculpture of a dinosaur he found in front of a home in California.

"It was a pretty unattractive piece of lawn art," Berkeley said in a press release. "But it spun me into thinking about people's different appreciation of beauty. I began imagining a story about an eccentric guy who is totally taken by this thing. Maybe the people in the house happen to be getting rid of it (understandably), and so this man takes it home."

The story is one of a set of interwoven tales in his second book, "The Free Bron-



tosaurus," and accompanying songs on his sixth studio album, "Cardboard Boat." The songs are sung from the perspective of each story's main character.

He lives in Santa Fe with this wife and two young sons.

Admission is \$15. Call 248-297-5982 for reservations.

Highway. Bring a canned good for Lighthouse of Clarkston. RSVP by Sept. 30, 248-625-8844 or 248-620-9000.

Veterans Benefits Seminar, 10 a.m., 6 p.m., Oct. 14, American Legion Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road. RSVP to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, 248-625-5231.

Sunday

Springfield Township Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sundays through Oct. 18, Shiawassee Basin Preserve, 12000 Davisburg Road.

Monday

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.

50+ Outdoor Pickleball, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 8:30-10:30 a.m.; Saturdays, 9-11 a.m., Clintonwood Park Outdoor Courts, 6000 Clarkston Road, \$2. In case of rain, First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road, \$3.

Tuesday

Clarkston Community Band rehearsals, 7-9 p.m., Tuesdays. \$30/semester, free for high school students. Band room, Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane, clarkstonband@gmail.com.

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

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages who recently lost a loved one, 7 p.m., Oct. 13, Carriage House, Clintonwood Park. Topic: "I Just Miss Him/Her. When Will I Stop?" Free. 248-625-5231.

50+ Indoor Pickleball, Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4, 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.

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, second Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Independence Township Hall, 6483 Waldon Center Drive. 248-623-4313.

Thursday

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

Individualized Computer Tutoring, second and fourth Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., Senior Adult Activity Center. \$30/members, \$35/non-members. 248-625-8231.

Lunches for 50+, Thursdays, 12 p.m., made-from-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 speakers, musical performances, field trips, holiday parties, movies, bingo, games. Hart Community Center in Davisburg. \$5 yearly membership, \$5 lunch. 248-846-6558.

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

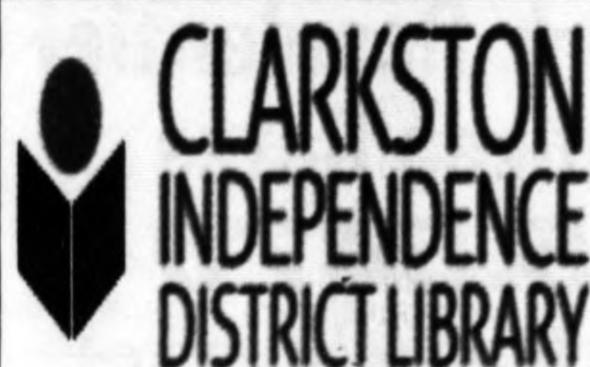
Friday

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

Saturday

Clarkston Area Farmers Market, Saturdays through Oct. 10, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Clarkston Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road.

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



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Middle School Writers Group: Tuesday, September 15 6:00pm
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Mine Craft Monday:
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Obituaries

Bill Bezdek, 86

Bill Bezdek, 86, of Clarkston, passed away at home on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2015.

He was the loving husband of Dottie, beloved father to four daughters, Kyle (Dan) Ellis, Charleston, SC, Katherine Bell, Grand Junction, Colo., Karole Calugaru, Romeo, MI and Kendra (Eric) Scorsone, DeWitt, Mich.; proud grandfather of 10 grandchildren, Sasha, Amber, Toni, Erika, Myah, Kassandra, Cheyenne, Amalia, Isabella, and Anthony.

He is a great-grandpa to seven children, and devoted to his pets, Binky and Luci. He is preceded in death by his parents, Etta Callison-Bezdek and Dr. Joseph Bezdek and two brothers, Jerry and Bobby.

His interests were Tai Chi, theatre, golf, travel, art, music, and the search of knowledge. Bill graduated from Wayland Academy (1947), Beaver Dam, Wisc. He received a Bachelor of Science (1952) and a Master's degree from Bradley University, Peoria, Ill. He obtained a Ph.D. of Philosophy from the University of Chicago (1968). He was a Professor of Sociology at Oakland University from 1970 until he retired in 2001. Bill was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served during the Korean War. He was a director, actor, and owner of a theatre company in Chicago, Ill.

Memorial service Sunday, Sept. 20, 2015, at 11 a.m., at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, where friends may visit at 10 a.m. Per Bill's request, his body was donated to University of Michigan for research. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Department of Sociology at Oakland University, Rochester, Mich. Online Guestbook: www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Carlene Constable, 86

Carlene Dorothy Constable of Ortonville, born on Jan 8, 1929, passed away on Sept. 9, 2015.

She lived in Clarkston over 40 years; preceded in death by Donald Constable (husband), Sharon Potts (daughter), Jay Constable (son), Michelle Constable (daughter in law), David Constable (grandson); survived by daughter Carol (Jonathan) Goeb, sons Ronald Constable, Ken Constable, Dale (Lori) Constable, Gerald (Diane) Constable, 16 grandchildren, 12 great grand children. Internment at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Funeral was Sept. 12 at **Coats Funeral Home**.



Ruth A. Daniels, 102

Ruth A. Daniels of Clarkston, formerly of Pontiac, passed away Sept. 8, 2015, at 102 years of age.

She was the beloved wife of the late Earnest A. Daniels, loving mother of the late Merle Collins, Beverly Vargas, the late Douglas Vail, Charlene (Charles) Esralian, Joy (Richard Salkeld) May, Jerrold Daniels and Cathleen Collins; dearest grandmother of Lee, Carol, Robert, the late Gary, Matthew, Sarah, the late Joel, John, Maxx and Kirsten; great grandmother of 18 and great great grandmother of seven; dear sister of Josephine (Joseph) Johnson, the late Morris Gundrum and the late Clara Estabrook.

Ruth was a member of Maranatha Baptist Church and a former member of North Auburn Hills Baptist Church. Memorial donations may be made to Maranatha Baptist Church.

To send condolences to the family please visit www.CoatsFuneralHome.com.

Alice Pui-Mei Seto, 56

Alice Pui-Mei Seto of Clarkston passed away on Sept. 3, 2015, surrounded by her loving family after 11 strong and hard-fought years against leiomyosarcoma, at 56 years of age.

She was the beloved wife of Dominic for 34 years; loving mother of Stephanie (Jeffrey) Driscoll and Jessica (Matthew) MacKinnon; sister of Pui Chun (Michael) Figuly, Hung Fai (Lai Mei) Yuen, Pui Ling (Ken) Lee, Chi Fai (Carla) Yuen, Kwok Fai (Wai Man) Yuen, Pui Mei (Hung) Dinh, and Pui Fong (Timothy) Zingg; devoted daughter of Woon Yau Mak Yuen and the late Sing Tim Yuen.

Alice was the epitome of generosity, warmth, kindness, and selflessness. Her life was full of love and caring for others. She will be missed greatly by all who loved, knew, and met her.

Funeral service was Sept. 7 at **Coats Funeral Home** - Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Waterford. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Alice Pui-Mei Seto Foundation to benefit Leiomyosarcoma research at the University of Michigan. For more information, please visit www.facebook.com/thealicepuimeisetofoundation.

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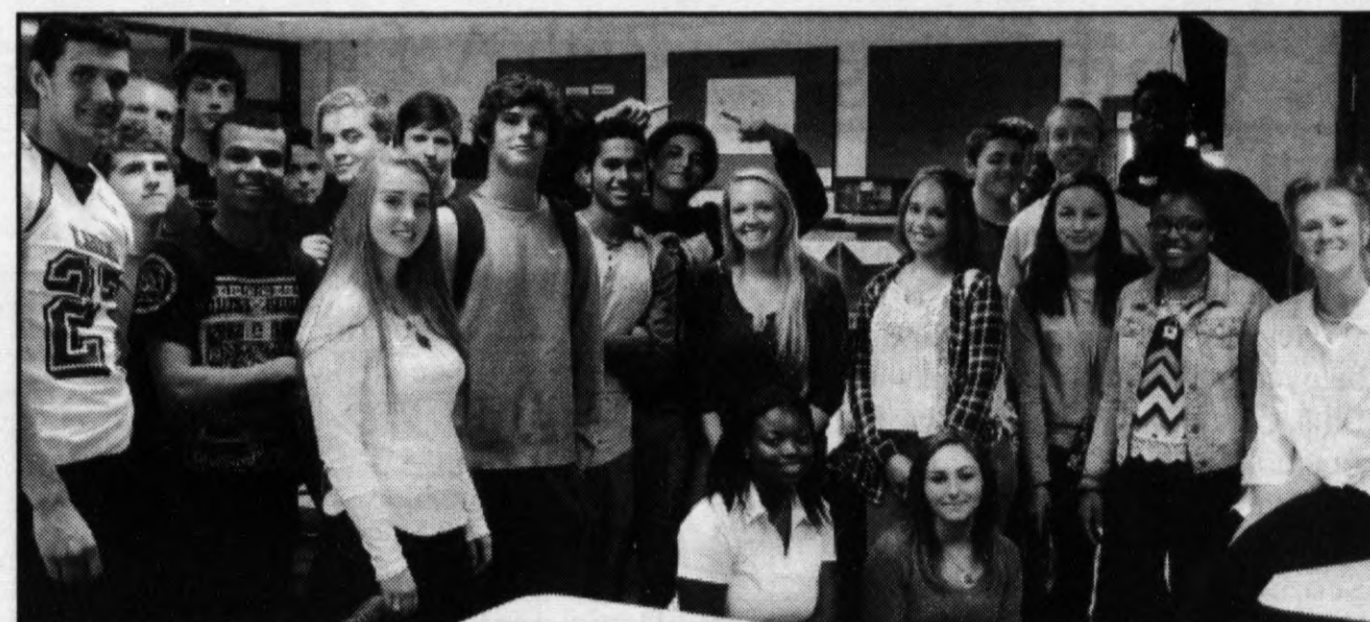
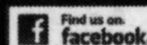
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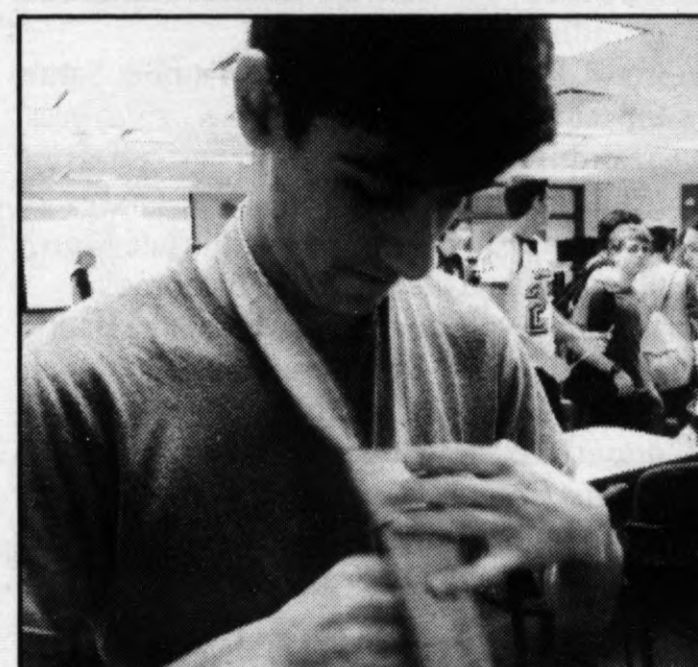
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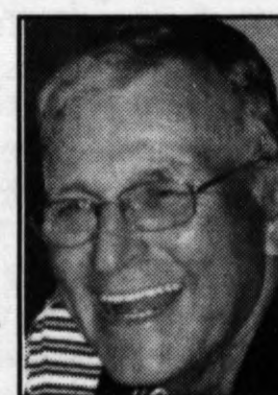
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Chester L. Jones, 76

Chester L. Jones, "Spike," of Clarkston passed away Sept. 14, 2015, at age 76.

He was the husband of Jeanne; father of Greg (Karen) Giegler, Lori (John) Powe, Lisa (Mike) Conway, Renee (Jerry) David; papa of Stephanie, Justin, Zach, Ryan, Josh, Carrie and Evan; great grandpa of Caleb;



brother of Hazel Voorhees.

Spike served in the U.S. Navy and retired from General Motors. He was a history buff who enjoyed pheasant hunting and bowling.

Friends may visit at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, 3-9 p.m. Funeral service Thursday, 12:30 p.m., at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Wounded Warriors.

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Josephine Kay Pesta, 3 months

Josephine Kary Pesta graced our lives for three months in her short time here on earth.

She was born May 26, 2015, in Commerce Township and passed unexpectedly Saturday morning, Sept. 12, in her home.

Anyone who knows our girl Josie, knows she was a fighter until the very end. Josephine is survived by her parents, Melanie Pesta and Brian Pierce; brothers, Logan, Broderick and Maxwell; grandparents, Alan and Sheryl Stone, Mary Shaffer, Kevin and Angie Pesta; great-grandmother, Patricia Brown; great-grandparents, Thomas and Betty Pesta. Also survived by aunts and uncles, Tiffany and Steven Anton, Melissa and Thad Skowronski, Mark and Sue Palmer; uncles, Austin and Adam Klebba; cousins, Ethan Olivia, Mia, Lillian, Leo and Susie.

Visitation with Josephine's family and friends will be Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, from 2-6 p.m. followed by a memorial service at 6 p.m. at MacDonald's Funeral Home, Howell, 517-546-2800. Contributions are suggested to the C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor, St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Ferndale or to the donor's choice.

William Kostich, 87

William Kostich of Clarkston passed away Sept. 5, 2015, at age 87.

He was the fabulous husband of Ruth for 62 years; amazing father of Kirt (Claudia) Kostich, Kristyn (Gary) Perrault and Scott (Keri) Kostich; awesome grandpa of Brent, Aaron, Ryan, David, Claire and Madeleine.

William was the founder, owner and operator of Royal Air Freight, Inc. He was a pilot & aircraft mechanic for 60 years. Bill was truly an amazing man.

Funeral was Sept. 10 at the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Salvation Army. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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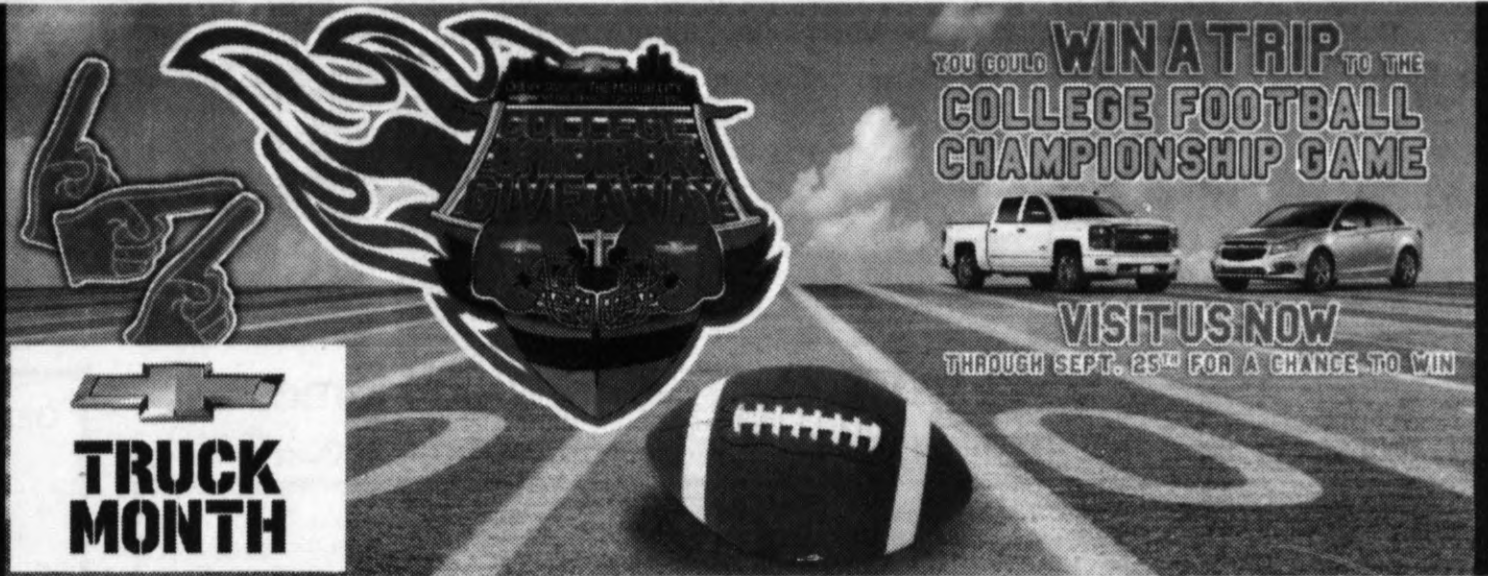
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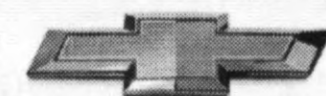
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To the Qualified Electors of the
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Notice is hereby given that the last day to register for the
November 3, 2015, Special Election will be **Monday, Oc-
tober 5, 2015.**

If you are not currently registered to vote or need to
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In Person:

- City of Clarkston Clerk's office 375 Depot Clarkston
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- County Elections Division, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd.,
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- 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
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- At military recruitment offices for persons who are en-
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By Mail:

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Note: Persons registering by mail are required to vote
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Sandy Miller, City of Clarkston Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP. SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPEN-
DENCE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

- A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Inde-
pendence Board was called to order at 7:04 PM at
Independence Township Hall.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
- ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga,
Lohmeier, Schroeder
Absent: Ritchie

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Stacey Bassi, Assessing Director; David
Belcher, Building Department Director; Ken Elwert, Parks,
Recreation & Seniors Director; Wendy Hillman, Finance
Director

- APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As amended (addition of
LATE SUBMITTAL: Regular Business Item M-07)
- CLOSED SESSION: None Scheduled
- BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Julie Meredith,
Clarkston Independence District Library Director; Su-
pervisor Kittle

Approval to Suspend the *Special Rules of Procedure for
the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trust-
ees* under Rule 19. Suspend Rules to increase the
time limit from 5 minutes to 15 minutes under Rule 15.
Members of the Public and Visitors

- PUBLIC COMMENT: John Coe; Lisa Pawlik; Craig
Hamilton; Robert White; Chelsea O'Brien; Sharon
Hurlbert; Ken Gill; Jacqueline Kennedy-Moriarty; Rick
Gutowski; Rob Namowicz; Michele MacWilliams;
Marilyn Merit; Greg Byrnes; Luciano Anselmino;
Sharon Gardner; Treasurer Brown; Trustee Lohmeier

The meeting RECESSED at 8:27 p.m.

The meeting RECONVENED at 8:35 p.m.

- PUBLIC HEARING: None

- PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

- Report: Independence Television Update (Joe
Barnhart, Scott Banks)

- CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

- CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of the Board of Trustees Budget Meet-
ing Minutes of August 19, 2015 as corrected and
Regular Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2015 as
presented
- Approval of Payroll of August 28, 2015 and the
Check Run of September 1, 2015, for a Total
Amount of \$887,837.66
- Adoption of Proclamation Recognizing September
2015 as National Recovery Month

- ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:
None

- REGULAR BUSINESS:

- Part #1: Rescinded Motions 2015-08-150-01; 02;
03; 04: Establishment of 2015 Millage Rates for
the 2016 Budget and 2015-08-150-05; Schedul-
ing of Truth-in-Taxation Hearing
Part #2: Approval of Proposed 2015 Millage Rates
for the 2016 Budget and Scheduled a Truth-in-
Taxation Hearing
- Acceptance of Proposal and Approved Budget
Amendment - Township Hall Roof Replacement
- Approved the Building Department Permit Fee
Schedule with increases as presented EFFEC-
TIVE October 1, 2015
- Acceptance of Proposal for Courier Services -
Treasurer's Office
- Gifted Historical Records to the Heritage Museum
- Lakeview Cemetery Records
- Approved and Granted the Township's Consent to
the assignment of License Agreement - Co-Lo-
cation on County Tower at DPW
- LATE SUBMITTAL: Approval of Out of State Travel
- National Recreation and Park Association Con-
ference

- COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS /
REPORTS:

- Communications: Clarkston Area Lions Club -
Appreciation Certificate

- BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None

- ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at
9:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, September 16, 2015

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Absent wildlife worries local feeder

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Michael Mazurell placed a halved cantaloupe up high in a tree near a few bird feeders in the backyard of his Independence Township home. It was still there three days later, along with bird feeders still full of seed and berry trees full of fruit.

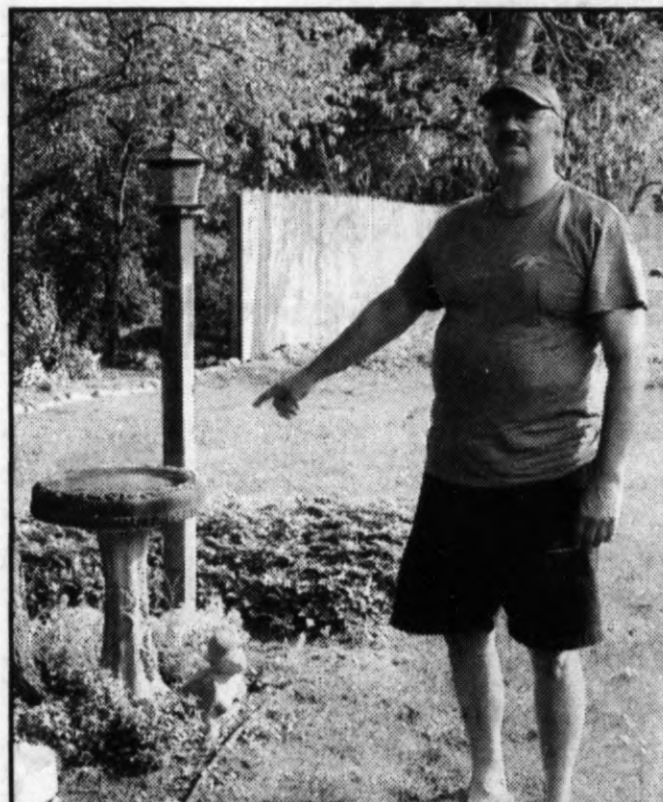
Usually the fruit and seeds are quickly devoured by a variety of animals. Mazurell spends over \$900 a year caring for creatures. He has for 28 years.

"There are always 12 or 13 species – cardinals, blue jays, mourning doves, squirrels, hummingbirds, chipmunks," he said. "Two weeks ago they just disappeared – I'm worried. Earth is an ecosystem. Animals know things. They are sensitive and sense danger. They are our first line of defense when something is wrong."

Birds face a number of challenges from climate change, loss of habitat, and obstructions like tall buildings and residential windows, said Michigan Audubon Society Executive Director Jonathan Lutz.

But there could also be a natural reason, Lutz said.

"A local predator could be spooking them," he said. "Over 400 species of birds visit or live in Michigan. Many come and go. Birds are a very transient species."



Michael Mazurell is concerned about the lack of birds in his yard lately. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

Migration is occurring right now too, he said.

"Some birds begin migrating as soon as their nesting period is over. That can begin in late July for some birds," Lutz added. "They head south to their winter grounds to Mexico, Florida and many other places."

Other food sources can draw wildlife, he said.

"They often move to different food

sources or habitats. They may seem more scarce when natural food, like bugs and fruit, are plentiful," he said. "We recently had a late hatch of mosquitos, and several other insects."

Seed and fruit trees are producing this time of year, so wildlife may be dining on an all natural diet these days, he said.

"It's been a good year for nut and berries crops," said Trevor Newman, co-owner of Clarkston based Roots to Fruits and president of Michigan Nut Growers Association.

Disease harm wildlife, too. Avian Flu was confirmed in Michigan in June. Michigan becomes the 21st state to have positive Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza cases in captive wild birds, wild birds, backyard flocks or commercial flocks, affecting almost 50 million domestic birds, according to the Department of Natural Resources.

Health officials said the first human cases of West Nile disease in Michigan occurred in early September. Mosquitos bite infected birds and pass it to humans, horses and mammals. Some birds escape West Nile unaffected, but others like crows, blue jays and ravens die.

To report dead or diseased animals, call the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Disease Lab at 517-336-5030.

Other residents report lots of critters

We asked local residents on Facebook if they have noticed a decline in birds. Here are some responses.

"They are all at my house and my neighbors. Woodpeckers, cardinals, crows, hummingbirds and more. Maybe they're afraid of their tree falling down. Not a good place to build a home and all that."

– Cory Johnston

"I was filling my bird feeder almost every day, but then I was gone for a week and it has dropped off; sounds like they're at Cory's. I have finches, woodpeckers, doves, and cardinals. Maybe the taxes are too high. I always thought Clarkston was for the birds."

– Lydia Ugucini Strnad

"Looks like a Hitchcock movie around our house."

– Chuck Inäbnit

"They're at my house with all my pollinators."

– Tammie Heazlit

"Robins and blue jays everywhere in Bridge Valley."

– Jeff Mylenek

"My cats kill one a week at least."

– Lucianna Regini Bartley

"Tons of birds at my house -- we can send some your way since they're eating us out of house and home lol."

– Dawn Kelley

"Flocks of birds at our house in the town-

ship. I keep the feeders full. More hummingbirds than usual this year."

– Natalie McCloy

"We have plenty! I could fill my feeders daily – I had Orioles this year for the first time in a long time. I was so happy to see them."

– Janet Saile Whitefield

"Mine disappeared during the very hot humid days even with water out there. Some are back now."

– Dawn Hankin

"I guess I'm more simple-minded. Every year at this time, most of them leave to go south for the winter. And every spring, they return. I think it's just the season."

– Lisa Woodbury

"Yes. Drop in birds and a drop off in bees."

– Scott Cooper

"I still see plenty of birds this summer. Off the top of my head, I have seen hummingbirds, woodpeckers, Baltimore orioles, at least five sandhill cranes, including the pair that have spent the last three summers around Middle Lake, a pair of swans, three surviving babies this summer, redwing blackbirds, robins, gold finches, red finches, crows / ravens, hawks, vultures, chickadees, swallows, mallard ducks, Canadian geese, a cormorant, great blue herons, but no egrets so far, and green herons. These birds are not all around all the time. After raising their

offspring, some move off to other areas, or we only see them in the spring and fall as they pass through on their way north. I'm actually watching hummingbirds and the cranes in my yard as I write this. I'm a recently retired high school science teacher, and I love watching birds!

– Sue Wylie

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY OCTOBER 5, 2015 7 P.M.
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This is a public hearing to request a parking deferment and a Special Land Use for approval of patio seating at 15 S. Main.

Zoning ordinance No. 11 Section 11.02 in accordance with the general standards for all Special Land Uses in Section 25.02 and the standards for the specific use listed in 25.10 & Ordinance No. XX Section U.

Written comments may be submitted before the public hearing.

Anyone planning to attend the meeting who has need of special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is asked to contact the City Clerk's Office at 248-625-1559 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Staff will be pleased to make the necessary arrangements.

City Clerk, Sandy Miller

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

PUBLIC NOTICE TO INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP WATER CUSTOMERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FALL HYDRANT FLUSHING

Independence Township will be conducting hydrant flushing on the Township's water system. During the fall flushing, we will be flushing the "dead end" hydrants only. Customers may experience some discolored water. Please run cold water to clear your lines and avoid doing laundry until the water is clear. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your cooperation.

Starting: September 14th, 2015

Ending: September 28th, 2015

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Independence Township Hall
6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, MI 48346

- CALL TO ORDER
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES
- ROLL CALL
- REVIEW OF AGENDA: Agenda additions or deletions require a majority vote of Board Members present.
- PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
- UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Case #15-010, Petitioner, Robert Stawarz, Requesting: A 17.1 foot front yard setback variance from Section 4.06(D), Table 4.06 in order to construct a new attached garage on an existing home, 6415 Simler Drive, Parcel #08-30-201-005, R-1A Single Family Residential.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

- Case #15-012, Petitioner, Rick Robinson, Requesting: Two (2) total variances, 1) A 4.8 foot side yard setback variance and 2) A 0.1 foot side yard variance, both from Section 4.06(D), Table 4.06, in order to construct an addition and attached garage, 4137 Meyers Rd., Parcel #08-34-478-047, R-1A Single Family Residential.
- Case #15-013, Petitioner, Rudy Degrandchamp, Requesting: Two (2) total variances, 1) A 7 foot side yard setback variance and 2) A 37 foot rear yard variance, both from Section 5.06(A)(4), Table 5.06-2, in order to construct an accessory building, 9240 Allen Rd., Parcel #08-08-151-001, R-1R Rural Residential.
- Case #15-014, Petitioner, Charles Valenti, Requesting: A 13 foot front yard setback variance from Section 4.06(D), Table 4.06 in order to construct a new attached garage on an existing home, 5000 Lakeview Blvd., Parcel #08-13-106-061, R-1A Single Family Residential.
- Case #15-015, Petitioner, Ted Vamvas, Requesting: Two (2) total variances, 1) A variance from Section 5.06(A)(4) in order to permit the construction of an accessory building and in front of the primary structure and 2) A 13 foot front setback variance from Section 5.06(A)(4), Table 5.06-2, 8200 Morningstar Dr., Parcel #08-18-128-001, R-1C Suburban Farm Residential.

H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Regular Meeting Minutes of September 2, 2015

I. DISCUSSION:

J. ADJOURNMENT:

NOTICE: The above requests may be examined at the Building Department during regular business hours. Written comments may be sent to the attention of the Zoning Board of Appeals c/o Charter Township of Independence – Building Department; 6483 Waldon Center Drive – Clarkston, Michigan 48346 prior to the Meeting / Public Hearing. For further information call (248) 625-8111.

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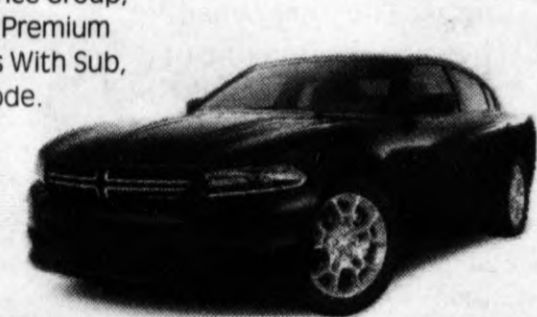
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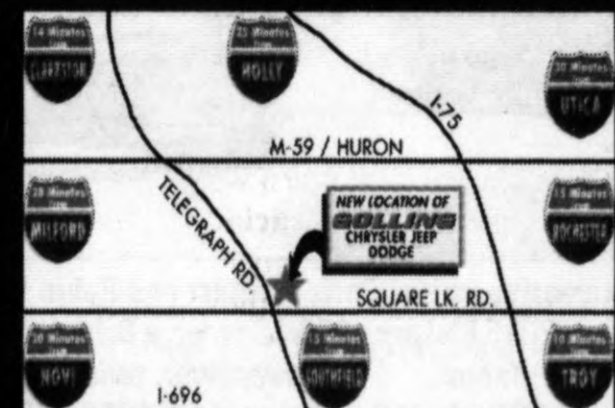
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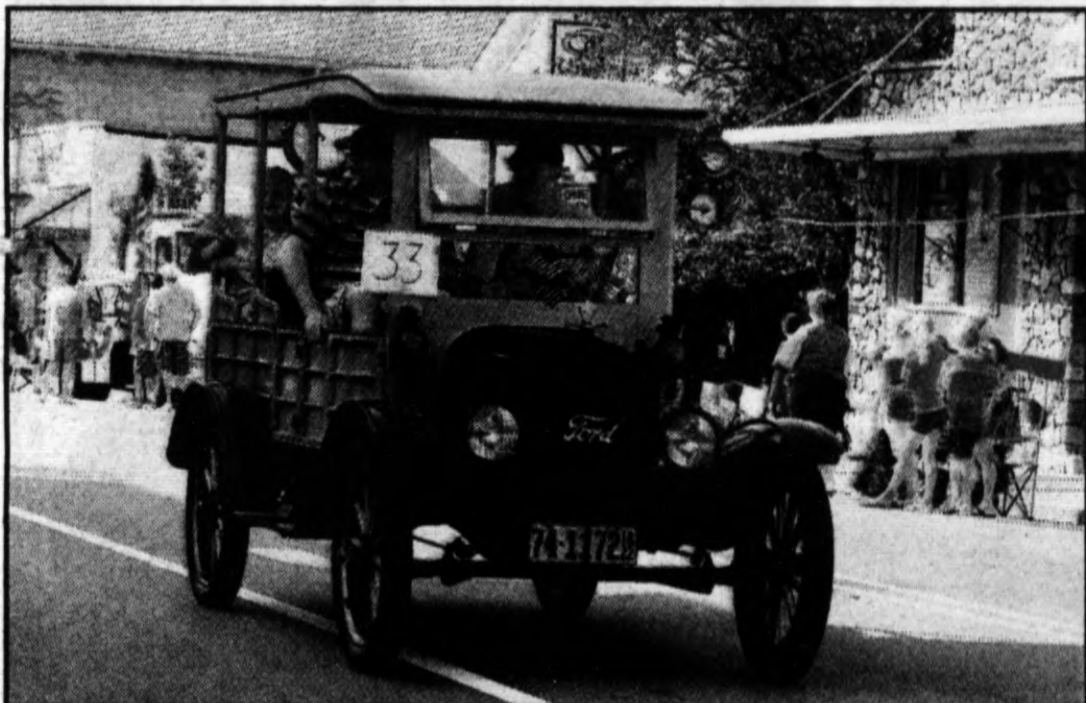




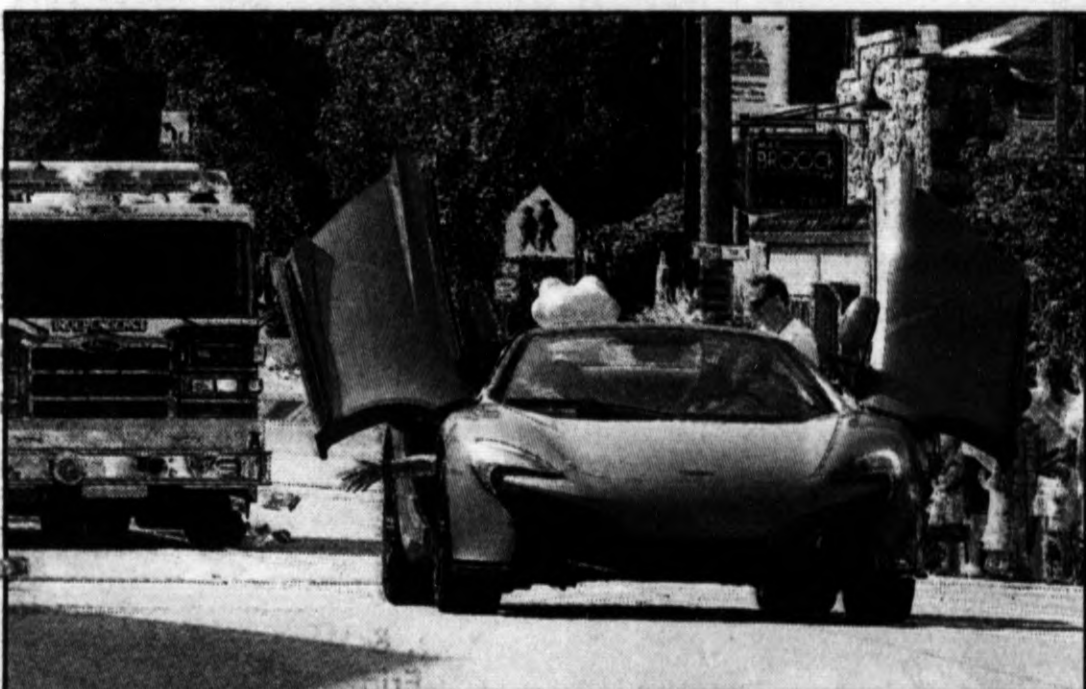
American Legion Post 63 Honor Guard starts the parade with the National Anthem.



Clarkston High School Marching Band parades down Main Street.



Charley Gipe, with his 1920 Ford Model T Depot Hack truck.



Automotive writer Chris Paukert and Robin Karides toss candy to the crowd from a 2015 McLaren 650S Spyder, a British supercar built by a Formula 1 race car manufacturer, 641-horsepower, twin turbo V8, 204 mph top speed, one of about 100 in the U.S., costing about \$350,000. Photos by Phil Custodio



From left, Barbara Schroer, Mona Hart, Jean Messing, and Chris Calice cheer when Dale Ryan, Voice of the Wolves and parade MC, announces that Messing is celebrating her birthday.



Rotarian Bart Clark entertains the crowd as Swabbie the Clown.

Parade in the sun

The sun was shining for one last day of summer for the Clarkston Labor Day Parade, Sept. 7.

Sponsored by Clarkston Rotary Club, the annual parade featured Clarkston Marching Band and athletes, Rotary clowns, vintage vehicles, community groups, and other folks while thousands lined downtown Main Street.



Jeff MacLeod of Troy, the Unicycle Cowboy, pedals backwards down Main Street.



Restored vintage military vehicles included Terry Shelswell's Jeep and M37 cargo truck, at left, and an M37 driven by Van Dan Elzen and Warren families.



Dan Jockwig, with his 1930 Ford Model A Town Sedan.

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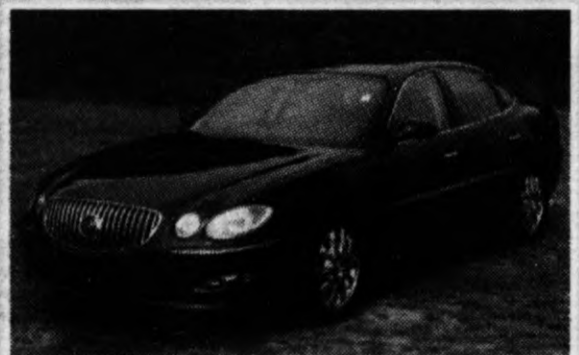
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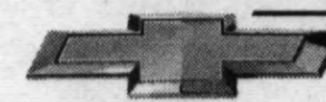
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