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IN MEMORY: Dawn Bastian, along with Dian Clark, places roses on graves of fallen veterans to the song "Faded Coat of Blue" during the Clarkston Memorial Day Service at Lakeview Cemetery. They were dressed in 19th century black veils and gowns, as mourners did after the Civil War. Please see page 2 for more pictures from the event. *Photo by Phil Custodio*



Top marks for township budget audit

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township got great reviews from auditors Joe Heffernan and Chrystal Simpson at Plante Moran for the 2015 fiscal year audit.

"An unmodified or a clean opinion on the financial statements," Simpson told the township board at the May 24 board meeting. "That's the highest level of assurance we can provide."

Trustee David Lohmeier said he's "happy with the progress" they've made over the years.

"The idea of the audit committee is a fantastic asset added to the whole process, so we don't all have to be — quite frankly — nervous," Lohmeier said. "It's a long way from where we were a few years ago. And it's much appreciated to our staff that's doing better and it makes it easier on the auditors coming in."



Lohmeier

Trustee Andrea Schroeder agreed.

"I have a high degree of confidence in (Finance Director) Wendy Hillman and (Accountant) Cheryl Culpepper in particular," she added. "We would not have to have an audit if it was not legally required and be confident our books are not just 'in order' but assessable and transparent as well."

The township has \$18.7 million in revenues for all governmental funds, which includes general fund, police, fire, and all other funds other than sewer and water, or internal service funds.

Property taxes of \$10.7 million fund 57 percent of total revenue.

The revenue increased from 2014 by almost \$450,000 due to increases in

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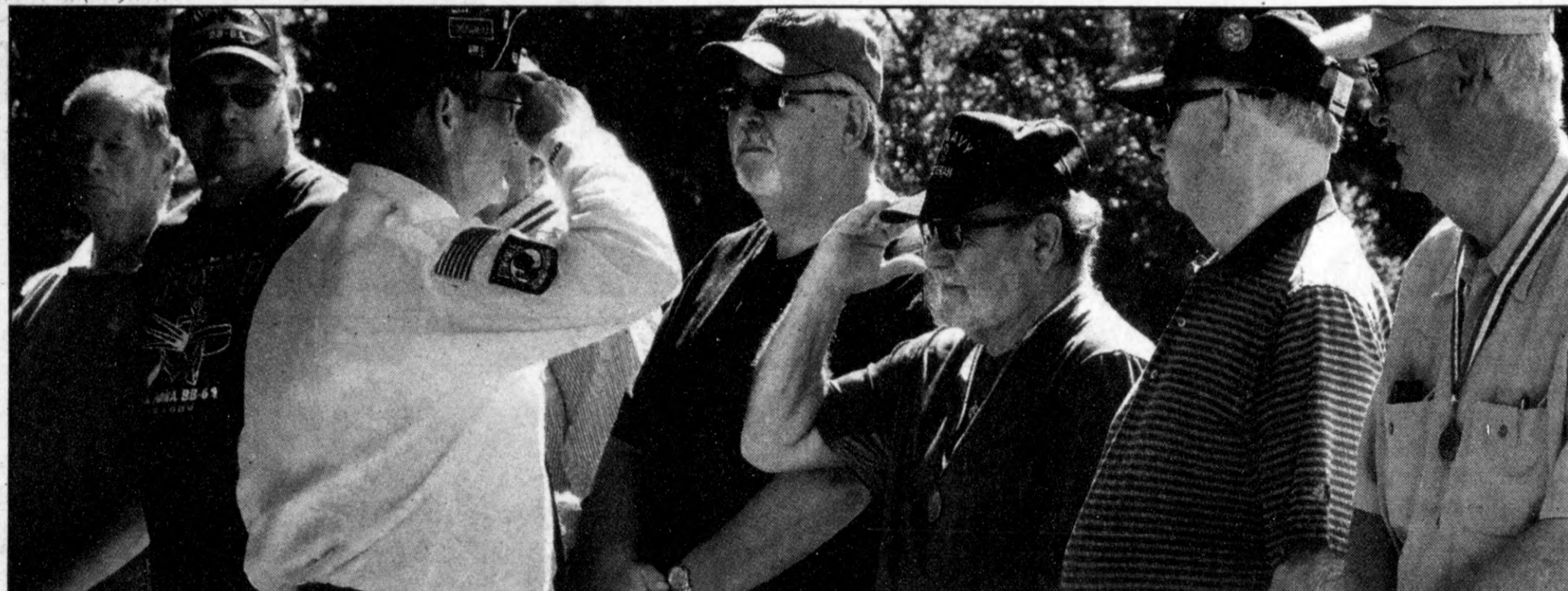
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Drew Stark reads his essay on the importance of Memorial Day.



Grace Nolan reads her Memorial Day essay.



Keith Marbutt, American Legion Post 63 commander, salutes Vince Alonzi of Clarkston, U.S. Navy veteran of the Vietnam War.

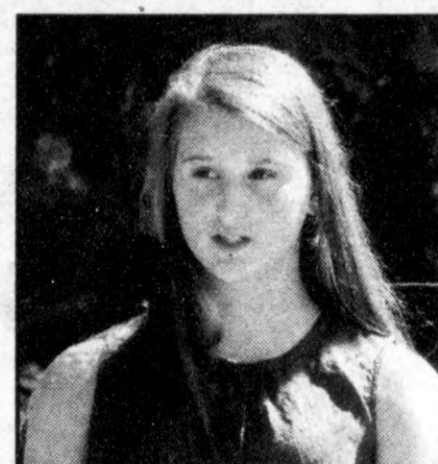
Day to remember

A crowd gathered in Depot Park and Lakeview Cemetery, Monday, to kick off the summer season with a Memorial Day Service, hosted by American Legion Post 63 of Clarkston.

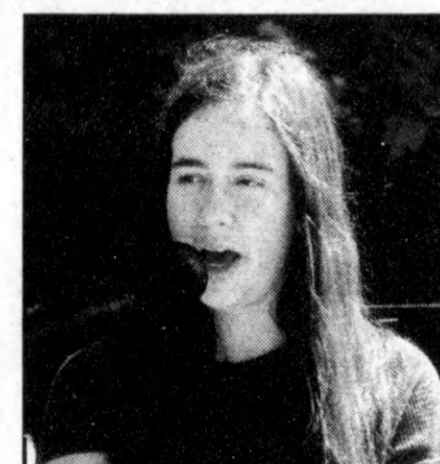
The Post 63 Honor Guard led a march, including veterans, Terry Shelswell's military vehicles, and the Clarkston High School Marching band, from the park to the cemetery. The ceremony was in memory of fallen veterans, and to honor all those who served.




Lt. Col. David St. Aubin presents some opening remarks.



Jaclyn Marra reads the Gettysburg Address.



Kaitlyn Joyner reads her essay.



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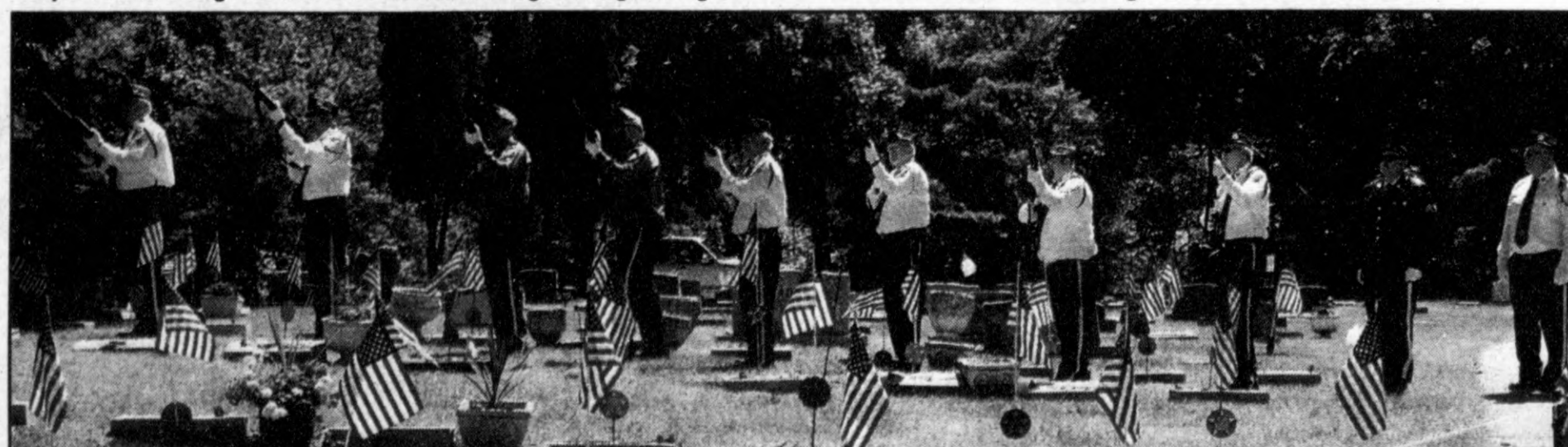
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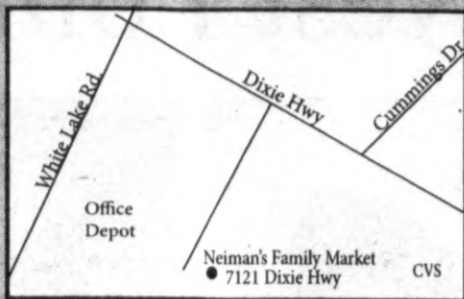
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Spindler finds success at West Point

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Memorial Day 2016 was extra special for the Spindler family of Clarkston - Gabriella Spindler was back in town after graduating from West Point Military Academy in May.

May 30 was also the 22nd birthday for Gabriella, the eldest of Rochelle and Marc Spindler's four children.

"We are proud she is a product of Clarkston High School, proud to call her our daughter, sibling, friend, and now a United States Army officer," Rochelle said. "Four years have flown by for us. I think Gabriella would say it took a little longer. As parents as well as family, we couldn't be more proud of Gabriella and her commitment to West Point and future commitment to serve her country."

Gabriella earned a commission as second lieutenant in the Army. She selected the quartermaster branch after a visit to Ft. Carson this past summer, during which she worked with officers in charge of ammunition and fuel supply.

"I chose this because I thought it would be interesting, very diverse - logistics are a big part of the world today. It's very much needed," she said.

Heading to West Point after graduating from Clarkston High School in 2012 was a humbling experience, she said.

"Being 18-years-old and away from my family for the first time, it was difficult at times," she said. "The first night away was so weird. But the people there, my classmates, really help you get through the tough times. My classmates are like brothers and sisters to me now. It was a really neat experience."

The academy's academic rigor and physical demands taught the importance of teamwork, she said.

"Everyone has to cooperate to graduate," she said. "You could be good at chemistry but not so hot at math. So you go to your classmates and say, 'I'll help you with chemistry if you help me with math.' It teaches teamwork, which is really important in the Army."

That means knowing when to turn to her noncommissioned officers, the sergeants under her command, for help.

"You can't do everything by yourself," she said. "As an officer, you're expected to be the subject matter expert, but there's a lot I don't know. When I go to a platoon, a lot of soldiers have deployed. They have a lot of experience. They're my elders. I'm the one who will have to give the orders, but if I don't know something, I have to be willing to ask for help."

Her parents and family are beyond impressed by her achievements, Rochelle said.

"It's very hard to put into words what a commitment it takes to graduate from West Point, a full load of some of the toughest



Newly minted Second Lieutenant Gabriella Spindler graduated from West Point and is ready to get to work with the U.S. Army. Photo by Phil Custodio

academic requirements, as well as continually having to prove yourself by army standard testing all while starting on the varsity tennis team is beyond imagination to us," she said. "We couldn't ask for a more passionate, kind and committed person to represent all of us in the United States Army."

Serving her country is a great honor, Gabriella said.

"The Army is something bigger than myself," she said. "It gives me the opportunity to actually make a difference in the world."

Her first duty assignment is to the First Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell in Kentucky.

"I'm so excited. I'm going down there in the summer," said Gabriella, who is slated for a four-month Basic Officer Leadership Course at Ft. Lee in Virginia before joining the Screaming Eagles.

She has also applied to the 101st's Air Assault School, where she will learn about helicopter infantry tactics and procedures.

She is already a paratrooper, having graduated from Airborne school at Ft. Benning, Georgia.

"I was so scared the first time I jumped out of an airplane. I loved it. It was a great experience," she said.

As a West Point cadet, instructors picked her to jump first, which meant she got to stand in the door and think about it.

"I was so nervous. It was definitely a challenge, different from what I was used to doing," she said.

Future plans include more Army training and possibly going to medical school, using the GI Bill.

"I'm really hoping the Army gives me the chance to go to (parachute) Master Rigger school," she said. "I owe it to my soldiers in the Army to further my career, go to these types of schools and become as much of an expert as I can."

She is signed up to serve on active duty for eight years. First Brigade is scheduled to deploy overseas in January, possibly to Africa.

"We will no doubt have many sleepless nights over the next eight years or however long Gabriella decides to stay, understanding the world's climate presently," Rochelle said. "Gabriella has been trained to lead a group of individuals as an army officer no matter what the circumstance may be and we must also trust in that training. Gabriella will no doubt serve the Army, her troops and represent her country at the highest level possible!"



Plante Moran's Joe Heffernan and Chrystal Simpson present the audit. Photo by Trevor Keiser

Township savings up to \$16.1 million

Continued from page 1

taxable value. State-shared revenue also increased by a couple thousand, to about \$2.7 million, Simpson said.

Total expenditures for all governmental funds was approximately \$17.8 million, with the biggest expense \$4.8 million for fire. This was an increase of \$275,000 from 2014, for salaries and healthcare.

The second largest expense was police, about \$4.7 million, increased by \$29,000 from 2014. That was primarily related to equipment purchases.

Simpson said the township's revenue declined for each of the last three years, but went up in 2015.

"This is again primarily related to property taxes," she added. "Expenditures have fluctuated primarily based on the township's needs, so when capital outlays were purchased, etc."

"Governments lag two years behind the rest of the economy, so as the economy started going down in 2008 and many businesses started reacting to it, governments didn't notice it until 2010," Heffernan said. "As businesses started coming up, governments didn't start noticing

that either."

"We noticed and reacted pretty quickly," Lohmeier said.

Heffernan agreed.

"Most governments that only look one year ahead, the expenditures dropped also a year or two after revenues dropped, so their fund balance started dropping. That didn't happen here," he said. "The governments that were in fact able to look further than one year ahead and think through 'how is this going to impact us?' adjusted their expenditures at the same time revenues went down."

Heffernan said that's the difference between the governments doing well today and the ones that aren't.

"Every single government that is doing well today saw what was happening before it actually happened, so they could adjust for it," he added. "Independence Township did and that's why you're in such good financial shape."

The ending fund balance was about \$16.1 million for all governmental funds. Approximately 35 percent or \$6.2 million of the township's fund balance is unassigned, which Simpson called a "healthy level."

The township's total debt was approximately \$26.9 million at the end of Dec. 2015. About \$3.2 million was unrestricted and \$4.7 million was invested into capital assets.

The 2015 water fund operating revenue decreased about \$22,000 from 2014, bringing it to about \$3.1 million. Operating expenses also decreased approximately \$841,000 from 2014.

"This was because in 2014 you had the water tower painting as well as some water main repairs that did not recur in 2015," Simpson explained. "The unrestricted net position for this fund increased by \$396,000, again a positive note."

The sewer fund increased just over \$500,000 in operating revenue from 2014, bringing it to almost \$5 million. Expenditures in sewer also increased \$351,000 bringing it to about \$5.4 million.

"The primary increase was related to additional contractual services and then some additional repairs in maintenance that were not in 2014," Simpson said. "Unrestricted net position for this fund increased \$636,000 and was about \$9.3 million at the end of 2015."

Briefly

Lower speed limit wanted

Clarkston City Council voted unanimously, May 23, to call on the state to reduce the speed limit on Ortonville Road.

The motion by Council member Eric Haven asked Michigan Department of Transportation, which is in charge of the M-15 state route, to lower the speed limit from 40 mph to 30 mph from Waldon Road to Paramus Drive, at the southern city limits.

The city's support will be added to Independence Township and Clarkston Community Schools for safety of pedestrians, said Mayor Joe Luginski.

"It's a big school zone - kids cross south Main there," Luginski said.

Sabol calls for clearer bike signs

Clarkston City Council member Mike Sabol asked for a review of downtown bicycle rules, which calls for riders to walk their bikes on downtown sidewalks.

"Walk bike" markings stenciled into the sidewalk might not be doing the job, Sabol said at the May 23 city council meeting.

"I must draw people who want to ride their bikes on the sidewalk between Main and Waldon - I was almost nailed again," he said. "We really have to look solidly at something here. People are misinterpreting what's on the sidewalks."

The councilman passed out copies of an example sign from Royal Oak, which says "Walk bikes on sidewalks."

Retirement party

Independence Elementary invites you to a Retirement Ice Cream Social, June 2, 6-8 p.m.

It will be held in honor of their Principal Chris Turner, who retires this year after 35 years helping to shape children's lives, including 17 years as principal at Independence.

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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

Journeys' end

Many had mixed emotions last Wednesday at Clarkston High School as the Senior Walk tradition continued.

For anyone who hasn't experienced the Senior Walk, this is how it begins. The seniors join together in the gymnasium for the last time as students where they once danced, cheered for their friends during sporting events and for school events, and participated in physical education.

One by one they get their caps and gowns from parent volunteers and put them on. What began of a mix of color turns into a sea of blue with groups taking photos with their friends.

When it's time, they emerge from the gym as they are led by administration, the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock down the hallways through the high school for the last time.

Family and friends are there to watch them take the walk, which can be seen as both symbolic and emotional.

The walk gets me everytime - a little moisture might gather in my eye, but I shake it off. It's time for the Class of 2016 to move on and continue to do amazing things.

For the last few years, I have taken a few moments to watch from above as the sea of blue walks the hallway through the cafeteria and are met with hugs from parents and relatives.

On a whim, I went on Facebook and tried out the Facebook Live function on the application after going to *The Clarkston News* page. If you would like to experience the tradition, please check it out. If you have watched it, I hope it was just enough to experience the tradition.

The seniors will collect their diplomas at their graduation next Monday, June 6, at DTE Energy Music Theater, 6 p.m. Congratulations seniors.

Other students' journeys are about to end as schools get out on June 15 and they are getting ready for their next venture.

Fifth graders will say goodbye to their elementaries, seventh graders will leave Sashabaw Middle School and freshman will prepare for high school next fall - continuing the cycle.

"It is impossible to live without failing at something, unless you live so cautiously that you might as well not have lived at all - in which case, you fail by default."

~J.K. Rowling



Opinion Pages

Letters, columns & Editorials

Thanks for help with Refuge Run

Dear Editor,

Thank you to Assistant Publisher Don Rush for the very generous donation of two quarter-page ads for our 11th Annual April Refuge Run.

Due to your generosity and the 125 participants who raced and walked, we raised over \$3,000 for our Youth Ministry Missions.

Our church, Clarkston Community Church, encourages our youth to choose compassion and reach out to those less for-

tunate in our community and around the world. Your donation has made this possible for many of our youth to do just that this summer.

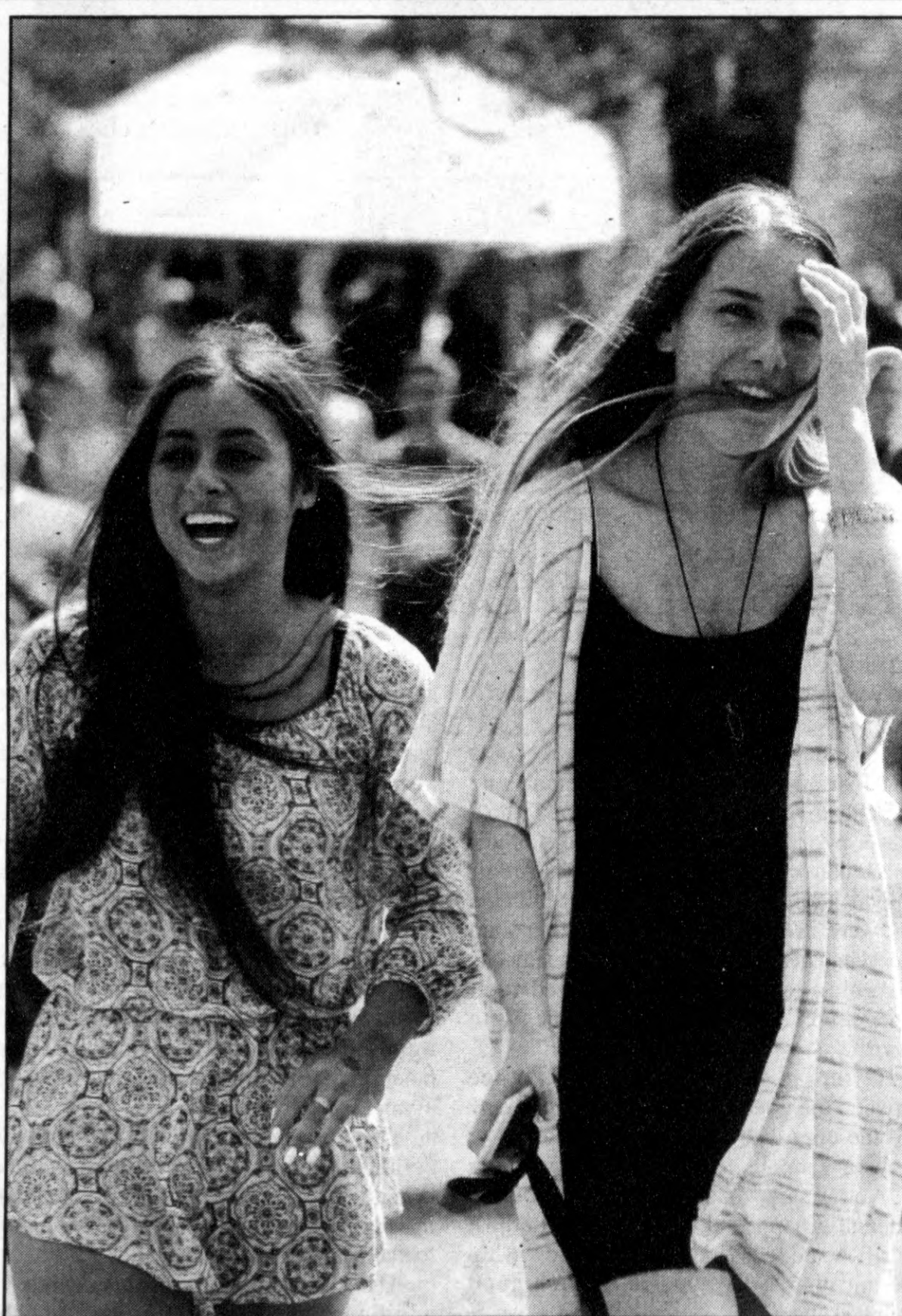
Their lives will be changed as well as those they touch in the name of love!

Thank you again and may God bless you!

Sincerely,

Sue Kilbourne

Student Ministry fundraising leader
Clarkston Community Church



SMILES OF THE WEEK: Clarkston High School seniors Sophie Hernandez and Morgan Barnett share a laugh at the picnic held in honor of the graduates. See next week's edition for more photos from the senior picnic.
Photo by Wendi Reardon

A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 2001

"Clarkston remembers those who gave" Clarkston joined the rest of the nation in time taking out to honor those who lost their lives in service to our country as hundreds of residents came together on Main Street for Memorial Day.

"Schools grapple with overpopulation" As everyone got ready for summer, Clarkston Community Schools was getting ready to further analyze the district's space woes and find solutions for overpopulation from their Feb. 14 enrollment figures.

"Seniors top 100 wins" The senior class with Tricia Brewer, Lisa Ferguson, Lindsay Simko, Nicole Thrift and Mary Warchuck on the Clarkston Varsity Softball team had a 100-plus win career.

25 years ago - 1991

"Clawson Tank workers on strike" About 110 Clawson Tank workers in Springfield Township hit the picket lines no agreement was met before their contract expired at midnight on May 24. The strike was a contract dispute and not a labor dispute.

"School retirees honored" Honorees and guests didn't let a power outage and no air-conditioning stop them from laughing and crying at stories during the Clarkston Community Schools' Eighth Annual Retirement Dinner.

"Safe at first, second and third" Softball fields in Independence Township started getting break-away bases beginning with diamond No. 1 at Clintonwood Park to help cut down on injuries from sliding.

50 years ago - 1966

"Students make sound study" Third grade students in Mrs. Marsh's class at Bailey Lake Elementary made a sound study and invited other students and parents to share their new knowledge. Two 45 minute programs presented songs, poetry and prepared speeches.

"Leave soon for Boys' State" Mike Dougherty, Jack Frost, Chris Maier and Clay Wilson were new residents for a week at Wolverine Boys State at Michigan State University.

"Olympic Games at junior high" The Clarkston Junior High Athletic Department sponsored an all day Olympic Track Meet where over 200 boys and girls participated. The top five finishers in each event received medals.

Illegal: Not according to, or authorized, by law

These Jottings were first printed on May 30, 2007, not that much has changed since then...

The word "illegal" isn't too hard to understand, is it?

I am only a small voice in community newspapering, but I believe I represent the majority of legal Americans.

I don't believe the majority of major daily newspapers and airway time fillers have such representation.

I believe in obeying immigration laws written for the benefit of the majority should have precedence over any law written for non-law-obeying immigrants.

Our representatives in Washington have allowed themselves to take sides on how to support illegal activities. Of course, money is involved.

And, of course, politics is in the forefront.

Jim's Jottings



a column by
Jim Sherman

In this case . . . money and politics is redundant. From the time they are elected until they leave office, money from special interest groups pours in to persuade politicians to action, one way or another.

The guess is, and that's all it can be, that there are 10 million to 12 million persons in our country illegally.

They apparently can't be fenced out. Can't be negotiated out. Can't be forced out, can't be urged out and probably can't

even be found to force them out.

You've heard and read all the excuses to allow the illegals in: Jobs Americans won't do. Keeps prices down for all fruit and vegetable loving Americans. Makes us good neighbors, lovers of the poor, and understanding.

We do all that while giving free education, medical care, housing, food and clothing. Almost makes one want to be an immigrant.

This week the issue is being debated again in Washington. What's to debate? The acts are illegal.

Give them amnesty, some say. Oh, no, can't use that word in Washington.

I just plain cannot excuse our electorate for not insisting the immigration laws be enforced. And, I don't believe, and the

polls show, the majority of legal Americans can either.

So we have what many agree is the most important, far-reaching and controversial legislation for this session of Congress, and what happened?

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The Old Farmers Almanac says of June:

Blushing brides wed outside,
Accepting friends' congratulations
Dads provide a place to hide,
In case of sudden precipitation.
Commencement speakers keep it brief,
Those sun-baked graduates need relief.

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The thought has good legs, the quill a good tongue.

In a courtyard with kids, remembering

Last week, before most Memorial Day remembrances had yet to take place, I had the chance to skip down memory lane and get a glimpse of the future. I visited Clarkston Junior High School.

The school, back a few years ago was Clarkston High School where I and countless others roamed the hallways.

Today, Clarkston Junior High School is much bigger than when it was Clarkston High School.

And, yep, I admit I got a little lost. Soon, with a keen reporter's sense of place and time, I found my destination -- the courtyard, right outside the student commons area.

When I was a student, the court yard was -- well -- I don't think it was ever used. On the day I visited last week, as white clouds floated in a blue sky above, birds sang, a water fountain gurgled, flowers were in bloom and the grass was soft, lush and green.

It has been well maintained. I was there to take pictures of a Memorial Day ceremony, organized this year by CJHS English teacher Erin Shaw. Said she, "The courtyard was opened and dedicated in honor of Clarkston High School graduate Jenna Beno, in 2012. We have a Memorial Day Commemoration in the courtyard and Veterans Day Ceremony in the courtyard every year. It is open to community attendance. Every Veteran's Day we honor a veteran by placing a mosaic stone in the gardens."

Jenna, a 2006 CHS grad, died in 2012 at the age of 24, from complications due to an injury she sustained while serving the US Army in the Iraq War. Her parents, Bill and Kristi Beno, attend each commemoration at the

CJHS courtyard. Also in attendance were students from Shaw's English Language 9 class and Alex Sennabaum's History class. I'd say about 60 kids, if you include the band. Maybe it was closer to 70 kids.

What moved me, more than the manicured courtyard, more than hearing the Clarkston Junior High School Band performing our national anthem, or the playing of Taps with its haunting echo, were the speeches given by three ninth graders.

I don't know. I reckon there were smart, caring and emotionally deep kids when I was in the ninth grade, but I don't think I knew any of them.

If you wanna' say I hung with the wrong crowd, go ahead. I cannot deny it. Many of us kids had dads, grandfathers, uncles, older brothers and cousins who served in Vietnam, Korea and World War 2. I don't remember much thought about Memorial Day back then. Dad didn't talk much about his time in Korea, though a big part of him, I believe, died there.

I mean we were all patriotic and stuff, but nobody wanted to talk about death, especially war death. Maybe the nation was still trying to hide in shame for the way it treated Vietnam vets? Like I said, I don't know. I was a teen thinking about girls and how to get rid of pimples.

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Hats off to the parents, teachers and mentors of ninth graders Grace Nolan, Kaitlyn Joyner and Drew Stark. Each of this trio delivered a short speech, in front of their classmates, teachers and the Beno family on this topic, "Why is it important to celebrate Memorial Day?"

Here's a little from each speech:

"The legacy I celebrate for fallen vets in my life is bravery and strength, and the will to never back down . . . Why, why do we celebrate Memorial Day? To honor, to respect, to remember each legacy that each fallen veteran has left us . . . Memorial Day is a day to remember and

reflect on the legacies left for us, and in turn, be inspired to leave our own as we live our lives." **Grace Nolan**

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"It takes a toll on many of us, to recall the past. Many of us only learn of war through our textbooks. For those of us who have never seen a battlefield, it feels easier to dismiss war.

"Our country has had many wars and is still standing today, after all. The numbers don't sink in because they don't have faces or names or stories attached. A good number of us haven't seen the bloodshed. So we are left seemingly numb to the suffering so many endured . . .

"However, on days like today, we gather together as one to relive a past that deserves to be remembered . . . The most important time to listen is when it is hard to. We must listen and learn what we wish not to repeat, to learn what we stand for." **Kaitlyn Joyner**

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"It is crucial that we don't just think of Memorial Day as a day off from work of school. It is important to remember that although you may be enjoying a bonfire with family, there were people just like us who decided to give their life to make our life safe and enjoyable.

"Memorial Day is not just a day to get a good deal on those shoes you've been wanting forever, or to roast marshmallows. It is also a day to take a moment or two of silence to remember and pray for those who have fallen and their families . . ." **Drew Stark**

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For my money, I say this batch of youngsters coming down the pike is more remarkable than the ones I was a part of when I was young. Folks moan and groan and dismiss this younger generation as emotionless and not caring. I think those folks are wrong; I think they'll do just fine by us, themselves and their own children, too.

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Fight at work

A 47-year-old Shelby Township man and 39-year-old Clinton Township man were cited for disorderly person for fighting at a construction site in the 7000 block of Sashabaw Road, 7 a.m., May 21. The 47-year-old said he was unloading equipment when the other man started punching him in the head. The 39-year-old said the older man had been verbally harassing him, yelling derogatory racial remarks at him. They both refused medical attention at the scene and were suspended from their jobs.

Motorcycle fire

Onlookers and Independence Township firefighters put out a motorcycle fire in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway, 3:56 p.m., May 25. The motorcycle's owner was inside a business when the bike caught fire. Origin of the blaze appeared to be an article of clothing resting against the engine. The bike sustained extensive damage to the seat and engine compartment.

Public Safety

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Bag theft

A Lincoln Park resident and her son went to the restroom during a concert at DTE Music Theater, 11:41 p.m., May 22, leaving her bag on the lawn where they were sitting. When they returned, the bag was missing. After the concert, they found the bag at lost and found, but her wallet, with the cash and credit cards in it, was missing.

Lost resident

A group home in the 8000 block of Ortonville Road called deputies at 7:45 a.m., May 21, to report a resident missing. The 64-year-old man was found at 6:25 a.m., May 23, on Dixie Highway at I-75. He said he was walking to Davison to visit his grandmother, and lost track of his direction. He was returned to his caretaker.

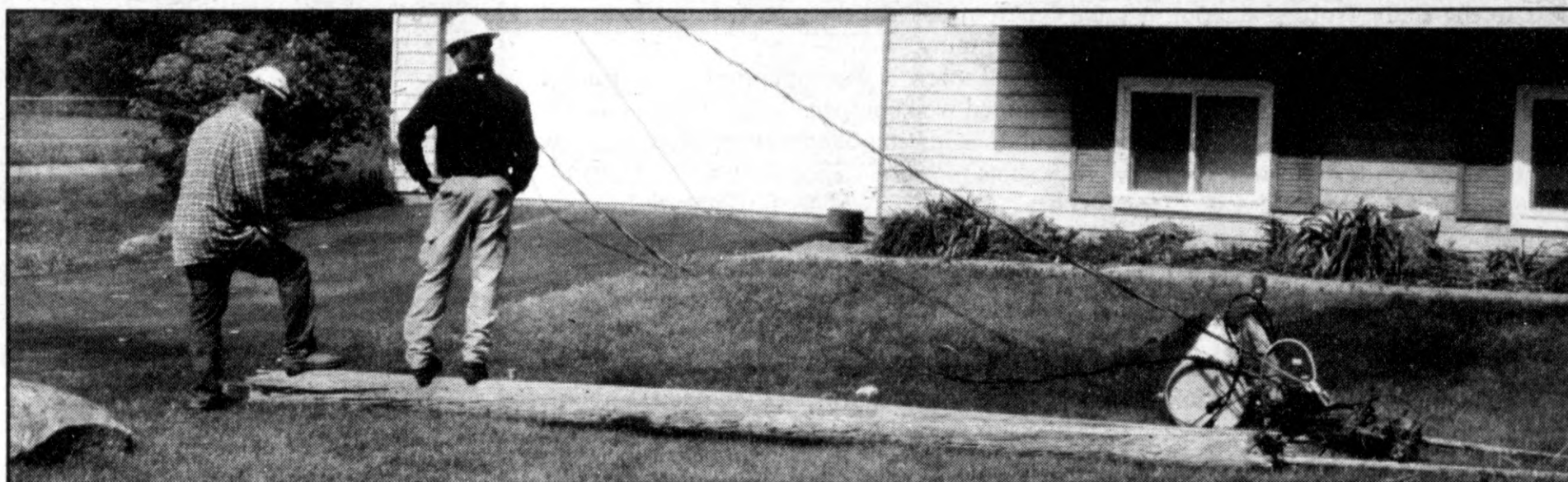
Broken door

The front glass door of a business in the 7000 block of Dixie Highway was found shattered, May 23. The glass appeared to have been hit by a small rock. Fresh mulch had been laid down and the lawn was cut.

Warrant arrest

A 30-year-old Independence Township man was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant, 4:05 p.m., May 24, in the 5000 block of Maybee Road. He was also a suspect in an arson case.

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DTE workers responded to restore power to Guyette Street, off Maybee Road, after a utility pole was hit and knocked over by a semi truck, 4:30 p.m., May 25. Photo by Trevor Keiser

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Heading to semifinals

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Maddie Beck ran from her first-base spot to catch a foul hit and landed at the fence next to the Lady Wolves' dugout at Lake Orion last Thursday.

"Maddie - that might be the play of the day," said Clarkston Varsity Softball Head Coach Don Peters. "It was awesome."

The catch ended the top of the sixth inning and preventing the Lady Dragons from scoring.

"Maddie had a little strain in her leg and she is playing through it," said Peters. "It's a lot of heart."

Clarkston Varsity Softball ended the game with a 10-9 win over the top-ranked Lake Orion.

We have improved immensely since day one," said Don Peters, head coach. "This isn't the same team that played Lake Orion. I think it surprised them."

The game was a make up game from April 26 when the second game during the double header was stopped after four innings.

"What a difference in weather," said Peters. "It was 40 and rain and snow."

The game picked up from where it had left off with the Lady Wolves leading 10-7.

Lake Orion's first two batters were out at first base with quick throws from Hailey Minton and Paige Blevins to Beck. Their next two batters hit doubles and scored two runs,

putting the score 10-9.

The Lady Wolves had the bases loaded when Abby Skvarce came on as the fourth batter to hit. Her hit was caught and Lake Orion took out the next two hitters to end the inning.

"I knew it was going to be a war and I hoped we kept them to less than three. We did," said Peters, adding Clarkston had a few shots to score. "They have a lot of heart."

The Lady Wolves finished the seventh inning quickly on defense keeping Lake Orion from scoring what they needed to tie the game with catches from Mariah Hood and Katelyn Garvin to finish the game.

The Lady Wolves (29-9, 12-2 OAA Red) face off against Lake Orion once more this Saturday at the MHSAA District Semifinals at Oxford.

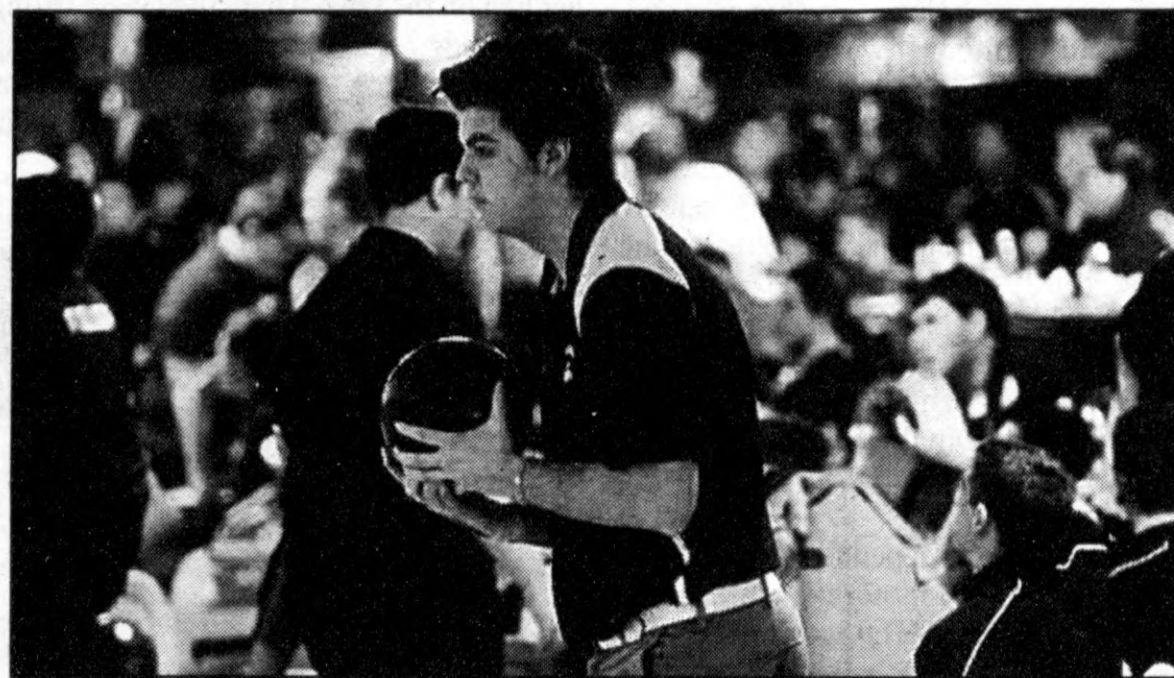
"We're ready," said Peters. "I know our girls are going to come out and play with everything they have. We are very familiar with each other. There aren't going to be any surprises."

He added seeing the Lady Dragons before playoffs helps the team.

"You know you can beat them," he said. "They are a good team and ranked in the top 10."

The semifinals begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday with Clarkston and Lake Orion. The finals begin at 2 p.m. The winner moves on to regionals on June 11.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Jacob Kersten competes in a meet. Photo provided

Ruling the lanes

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Jacob Kersten hit one of his goals during his senior year with the Clarkston Boys Varsity Bowling team when he was named to *The Detroit Free Press Dream Team*.

"It was definitely an honor to be part of it," he explained. I have a good friend who was Mr. Bowling two years ago, and he was one of the members on the Dream Team. They go by a point system. It is more than your senior year performance. It is the accumulation for all four years."

Kersten added it helped motivate him in leading by example to work harder.

"It was a huge accomplishment for me. It said a lot to my underclassmen how far hard work takes you. Instead of just saying it I have something to show for it," he said.

During the season he averaged 218.5 and had a 300 and as an individual finished in the top ten in regionals for the

last four years.

Highlights from his final year include winning the MHSAA Boys Bowling Regional Championship this year after losing last year.

"It meant a lot to me," said Kersten.

"Winning it again as a team and coming together showed how much work we put in with new members of the team because we had a lot of new freshman and sophomores."

Kersten's dad, Lenny, introduced him to bowling at the age of three-years-old.

"I picked up the ball when I was three and I have been with it ever since," Jacob said, adding he enjoys how unique the sport is. If you think about it, it is the only sport you play on an invisible playing field. The idea there is oil in the lane and different ways to go around it."

Jacob will continue playing bowling in the fall at Wichita Bowling University - which is in the top three in the nation of
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Ian Dobrzelewski slows down Troy's offense during the first half of the Wolves' playoff game last Wednesday. Photos by Wendi Reardon

Victory in quarterfinals

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Senior Keaton Mitchell scored two goals within a span of eight seconds to help the Wolves take control of the second half against Troy in the MHSAA Regional Quarterfinal, 8-3.

"It was well played by both sides," said Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach Brian Kaminskas. "We fought hard. Troy fought hard. They are a good team."

The first half closed with Troy in the lead, 2-1 with Clarkston's lone goal from Brent Farrugia.

"The first half we were just feeling each other out," said Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach Brian Kaminskas. "We were just trading goals, seeing who is going to do what, who is going to attack which way. The second half we made some changes in transition and it worked."

The Wolves scored three times in the third quarter to pull into the lead 4-3 with two goals from Nick Bowman with Keelan

McKouen assisting on both; and Liam Stickle scoring the third goal with an assist from Ian Phillips.

Within 45 seconds into the final quarter, Bowman stuck again to give the Wolves another boost, 5-3.

Troy entered Clarkston's territory to gain on their lead and were blocked by goalie David Taylor and defense.

"David played well," said Kaminskas. "Defense was solid. We were playing a lot of defense. Slowing down the clears was on David. He was choosing to do that."

Justin Dickerson closed the last goal with three minutes left in the game.

The Wolves play Lake Orion on Wednesday in the MHSAA Regional Semifinal at West Bloomfield at 7 p.m. The final is Friday at 7 p.m.

"We are going to focus," said Kaminskas.

The Clarkston Girls Varsity Lacrosse team also plays on Wednesday as they head to Lake Orion for the Regional Semifinal against the Lady Dragons, 7 p.m. The final is Saturday at 7 p.m.

Teamwork leads to success

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collegiate bowling.

"Their coaching staff is incredible and the opportunity for me to grow as a bowler is going to be phenomenal and will be exciting," he said.

He plans to study biology and is currently going for an undergrad in biology/pre-med with a minor in Spanish.

"I have taken five years of Spanish and I want to be able to use it," he said. "For post grad I was looking to be a physician's assistant for two years."

While going to Clarkston High School he was part of the International Baccalaureate program which he said helped prepare him

for time management between balancing work, sports, classes and classwork.

When he isn't bowling he enjoys playing other sports with his sister, Sierra.

"Whenever we have free time we go outside and play catch or hit the volleyball around," he said. "I want to relish the time I have before I leave."

His advice for aspiring bowlers is when it comes to high school bowling to always put the team first.

"If you can learn off each other and use each other's knowledge to your advantage you will get farther as a team. It hinders the team's success when you don't," he said.

His parents are Sheryl and Lenny.



Senior Tommy Atchison keeps close to Troy's offense during the Wolves' playoff game first half, Wednesday.

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The Clarkston Boys Varsity Golf team, including Coach Pete Gallagher, Harry Bowman, Noah Bridgemann, Patrick Deardorff, Brady Dice, and Noah Sampson, celebrate their district championship win last Wednesday. Photo submitted

District championship

The Wolves won the MHSAA District Championship by five strokes last Wednesday at Twin Lakes Golf Club in Oakland Township.

The Clarkston Varsity Golf team shot a 315 for the victory and the opportunity to advance to the regional meet

Junior Brady Dice led the team with a 77. Junior Noah Sampson shot a 78; freshman Noah Bridgeman, 79; freshman Harry Bowman, 81; and freshman Patrick Deardorff, 82.

During the district meet Rochester, 320; Lapeer, 323; Troy Athens, 323; Troy, 324; and Rochester Adams, 326; also qualified for regional.

The boys compete in the regional meet at Boulder Pointe Golf Club in Oxford, June 1.

The Mountaineers also had success in

their district meet in Division 4 at Fountains Golf Club as they won the championship last Wednesday.

Clarkston Everest Collegiate finished with a 334 with senior Tyler Rozwadowski leading the way with a 79. Junior Joey McMahon had a 82; freshman Mitchell Lowney, 83; sophomore JC James, 90; and Nick Korns, 91.

Joining the Mountaineers at the regional meet this Wednesday at Westwynd Golf Course in Oakland Township are Birmingham Roeper, 360; Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, 372; New Lothrop, 374; Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, 386; and Genesee Christian, 389.

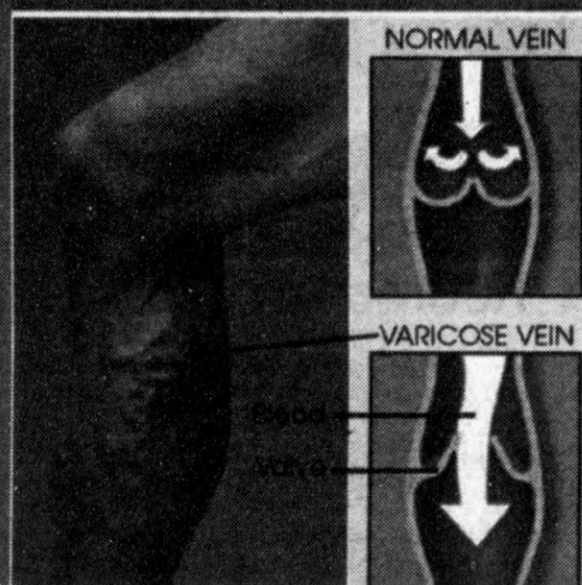
Clarkston resident Clay Senerius was the top finisher with a 78 during the meet as he competed for Our Lady of the Lakes.

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Season to start at Big House

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The season opener for the gridiron heroes is set as they travel to the University of Michigan for Battle of the Big House, Aug. 25-27.

Co-hosts Clarkston and Lapeer take on each other on Aug. 26 at 7 p.m. as one of the seven games during the event.

"They were geeked when they found out," said Kurt Richardson, long-time head coach for Clarkston Varsity Football. "They have to approach it too as this is great we are playing in the Big House, but we have a football game to win, too."



Richardson

He added it will be a fun game for the fans and the community at Michigan's stadium because Lapeer has gone 9-0 in the last few years.

"We usually have a good following," he said. "I hope we get a good turn out."

The coaches are also excited for the event. "It will be fun for everybody," Richardson said. "I coached there in the All-Star game a few years back and it was pretty exhilarating coming through that tunnel."

Richardson was approached by Saline to participate in the event as they tried to get it

together.

"They had some issues and they thought they were going to drop it," he said. "I kind of took it over and talked to some people." Then, Lapeer said they would cohost with us."

Richardson decided to take over the event because it was an opportunity for athletes to play in the Big House.

"It's something they will talk about their whole lives," he added. "It is a great experience for them and that's what high school and high school football should be - great experiences."

The other team participating in the event include Ann Arbor Pioneer, Brighton, Detroit East English, East Kentwood, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Kalamazoo Central, Muskegon, Novi Detroit Catholic Central, Sterling Heights Stevenson, St. Joseph and Walled Lake Western.

"They are going to be very good games," Richardson added. "It showcases high school football and high school football has an awful lot to offer. It's great for our game."

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Stewart B. Fredenburg, 90

Stewart B. Fredenburg of Clarkston passed away May 27, 2016, at age 90.

He was preceded in death by his son Kevin Fredenburg. Stewart retired from St. Joseph Hospital (now Genesys).

Private services were held. Arrangements entrusted to the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com

Carolyn Jones Lussenhop, 55

Carolyn Jones Lussenhop of Clarkston, formerly of Wichita Falls, Texas, passed away peacefully May 28, 2016, with her husband at her side, at age 55.

She was the love of husband Chris' life and loving mother of Libby, Madeline, Jenny, and Charlie; sister of Marshall (Cathy) Jones and Diane Mayer; preceded in death by her parents Clark and Joan.

Carolyn was active in ministries at Clarkston Community Church. She was a talented actress and an avid supporter of all her family's interests and endeavors.

Friends may visit at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston, Wednesday 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service, Thursday, June 2, 2016, at 11 a.m. at Clarkston Community Church with visiting at the church at 10 a.m. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to an organization to be determined; please visit the online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com for updates and to learn more about Carolyn.

Suzanne Manus, 68

Suzanne M. Manus of Clarkston passed away peacefully on May 25, 2016, surrounded by her family, at age 68.

She was the loving wife of James for 49 years; beloved mother of James, Stephanie (Iran) Sandoval, Katherine Manus and Nicole (Robert) Stanley; step mother of Teresa (Edward) Bosse; proud grandma of Christian James and Nicholas James; sister of Peter Gulewich, Paul Gulewich, Anne Tuma and the late Sally Lawson.

Suzanne was a dedicated nurse for most of her life and enjoyed playing bingo. She was devoted to her family and most importantly her grandchildren.

Rosary Service was May 30 and Funeral Service was May 31 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery.

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Summer camp fun begins June 20

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Varsity Coach Kelly Pinner and staff host **Clarkston Volleyball Camp**, June 27-July 1, at Clarkston High School for girls going into grades 5-12. The cost is \$100.

Fife Fundamentals Basketball Camp is July 11-14, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. for boys entering grades 4-6. Learn the fundamentals of the game from Clarkston Boys Basketball Varsity Head Coach Dan Fife and his coaching staff. The cost is \$160 and is open to the

first 80 applicants.

Fife Basketball Camp, July 18-21, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., is open to boys entering grades 7-9 in the fall. The camp is coached by Dan Fife and his Clarkston High School Basketball staff. It is open to the first 104 applicants and costs \$260.

For more information on either camp, please call Coach Fife at 248-623-4003.

Mini Ballers Basketball Camp, July 11-14, is open for boys entering grades 1-3, and for girls entering grades 1-2. There are two sessions to choose from: 12:15 - 2:15

p.m. and 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. at Clarkston High School.

It is led by Tim Wasilk, Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach. For more information please email Wasilk at tlwasilk@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Clarkston Wolves Football Camp for boys entering grades 6-9 is held July 25-28, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. It is led by Clarkston Varsity Football Head Coach Kurt Richardson. The cost is \$175. Call Richardson with questions at 248-623-4015. Check www.itpr.org.



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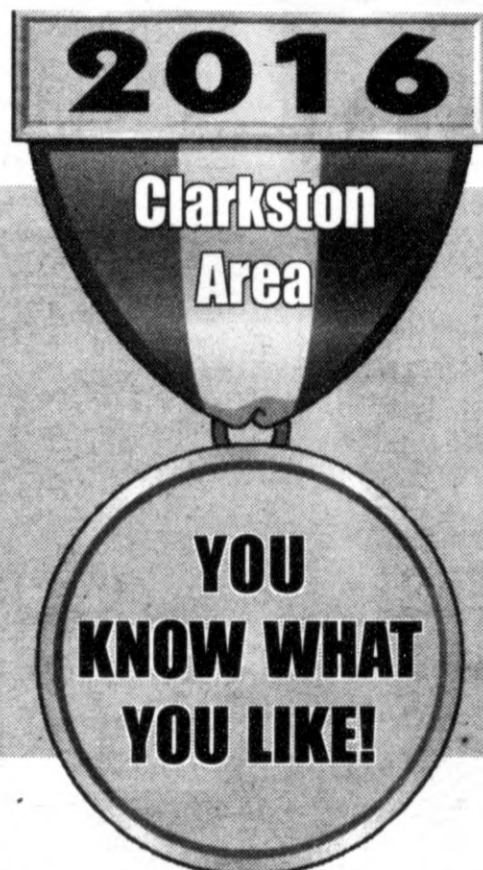
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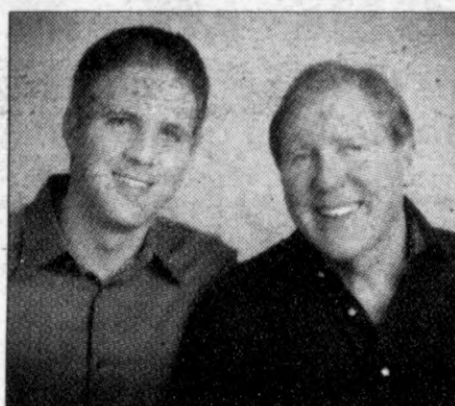
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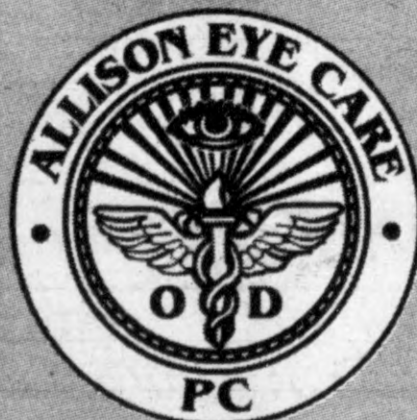
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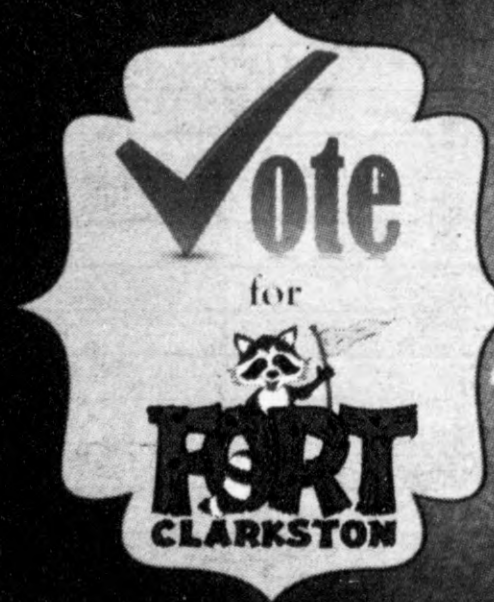
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With recent warm weather comes reports of one of more peacocks wandering the neighborhoods north of I-75 along M-15.

Patricia Gentges, who lives on W. Cranberry Lake Road, took these pictures of a brightly colored bird last year, when he visited for about 10 minutes.

"He visited this year too, but I didn't know he was around until I saw him leaving," Gentges said. "I think he was headed over to the American Legion on M-15. They feed him peacock food cause he's there all the time."

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Upper left, a peacock peeks through the door window before wandering away, showing off its beautiful colors, above. Photos provided



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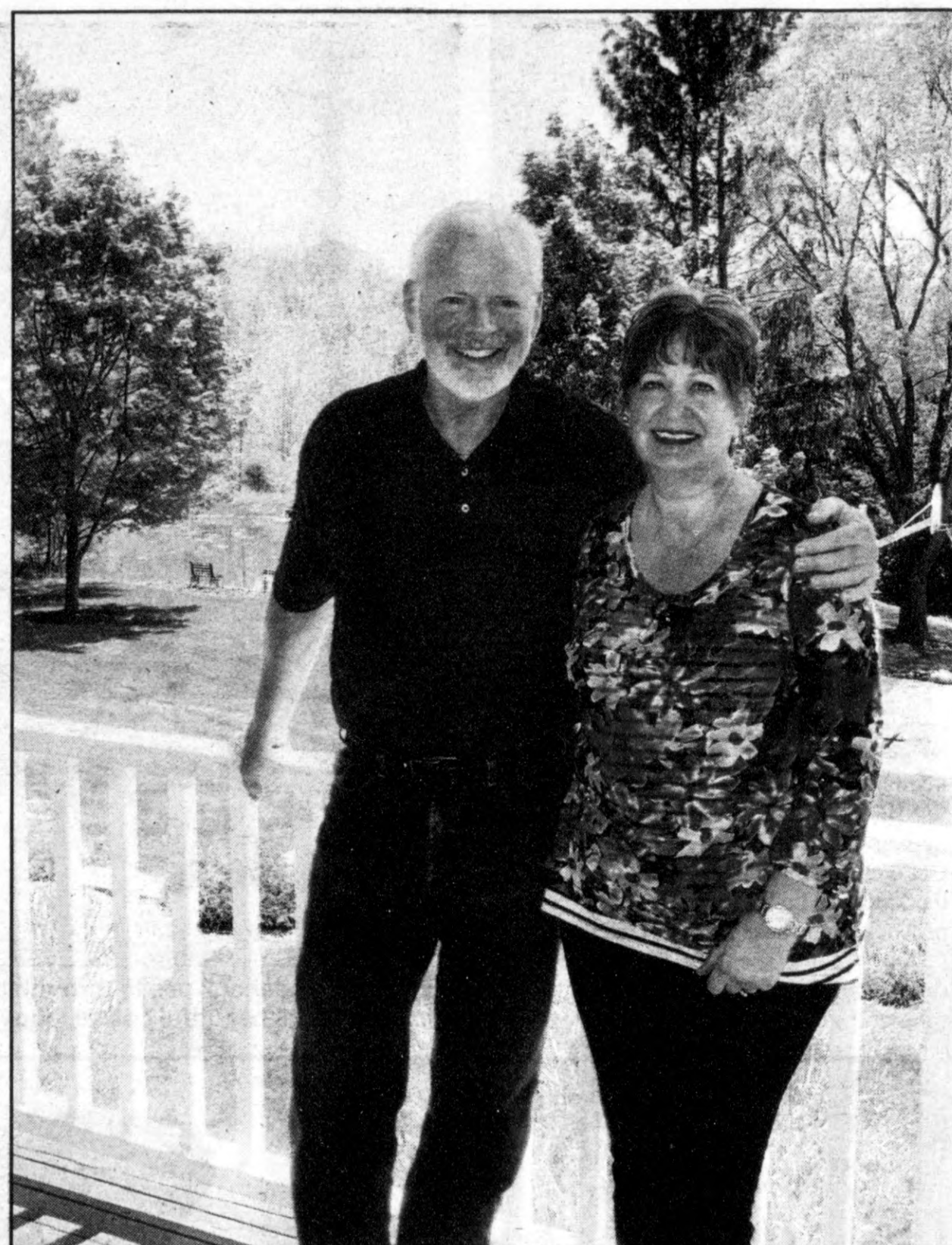
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Dr. George Krull, with his wife Pam Krull, is ready for retirement. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

Longtime dentist retires

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Dr. George Krull, DDS, is retiring after more than 30 years of making sure Clarkston kids have clean, healthy teeth.

"It has been an absolutely terrific experience," said Krull, who lives in Independence Township with his wife of 44 years, Pam Krull. "The hardest thing about leaving is the friends I have made along the way. A couple has been patients of mine for over 30 years. I was seeing their grandchildren at this point."

Pam views his retirement with mixed emotion.

"It's so new, I haven't thought it through yet," she said. "I'm happy for him. We've come a long way."

Retirement plans include travel to San Antonio and Denver, and spending more time with their four grandchildren, as well as their four grown children.

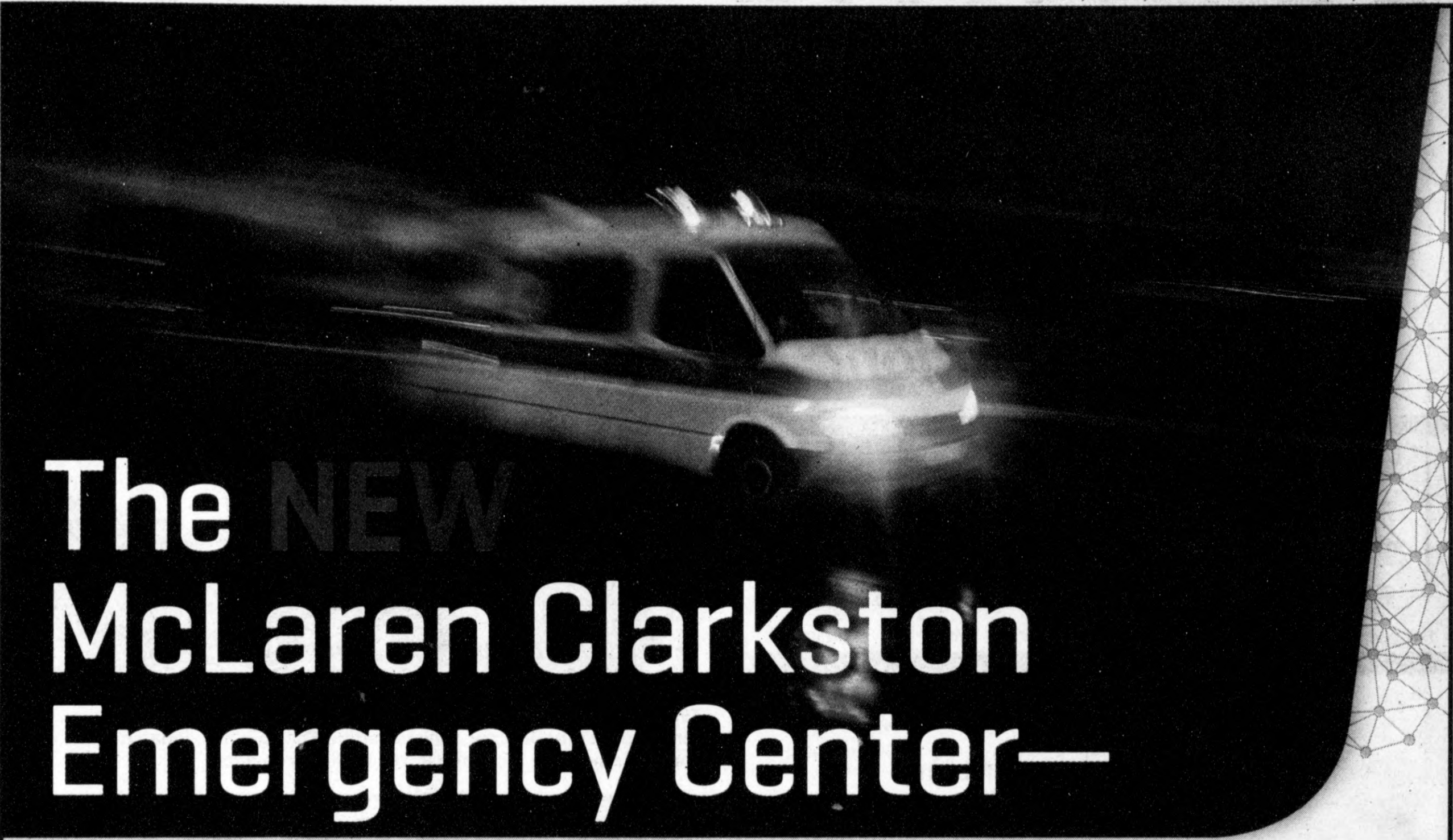
"That will make the transition easier, and replace it with something equally as wonderful," George said. "I may do some type of teaching, to put back into the system what I've gotten out of it."

Staff members, especially Amy Otenbaker and Gerry Mathiak, who have been with the practice for over 30 years, made it a success.

"Without them, this absolutely could not have happened," George said. "I also want to thank Dr. Charles Munk and Dr. James O'Neill, who were instrumental in bringing me to the community, for their encouragement, guiding me through the pitfalls of setting up the practice. They had my back. They were so generous with their time and commitment throughout my career."

The Krulls moved to the Clarkston area in 1979, living here for 37 years.

"We're going to stay right here," he said. "I'm going to enjoy Clarkston. It's an absolutely wonderful place to raise a family."



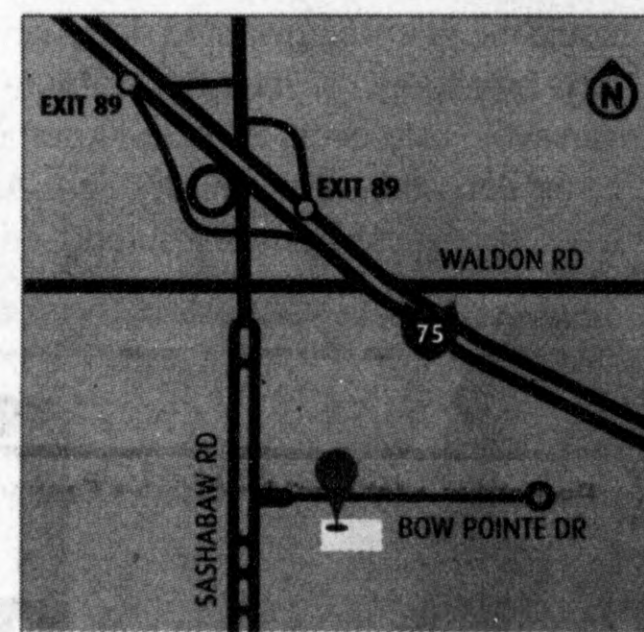
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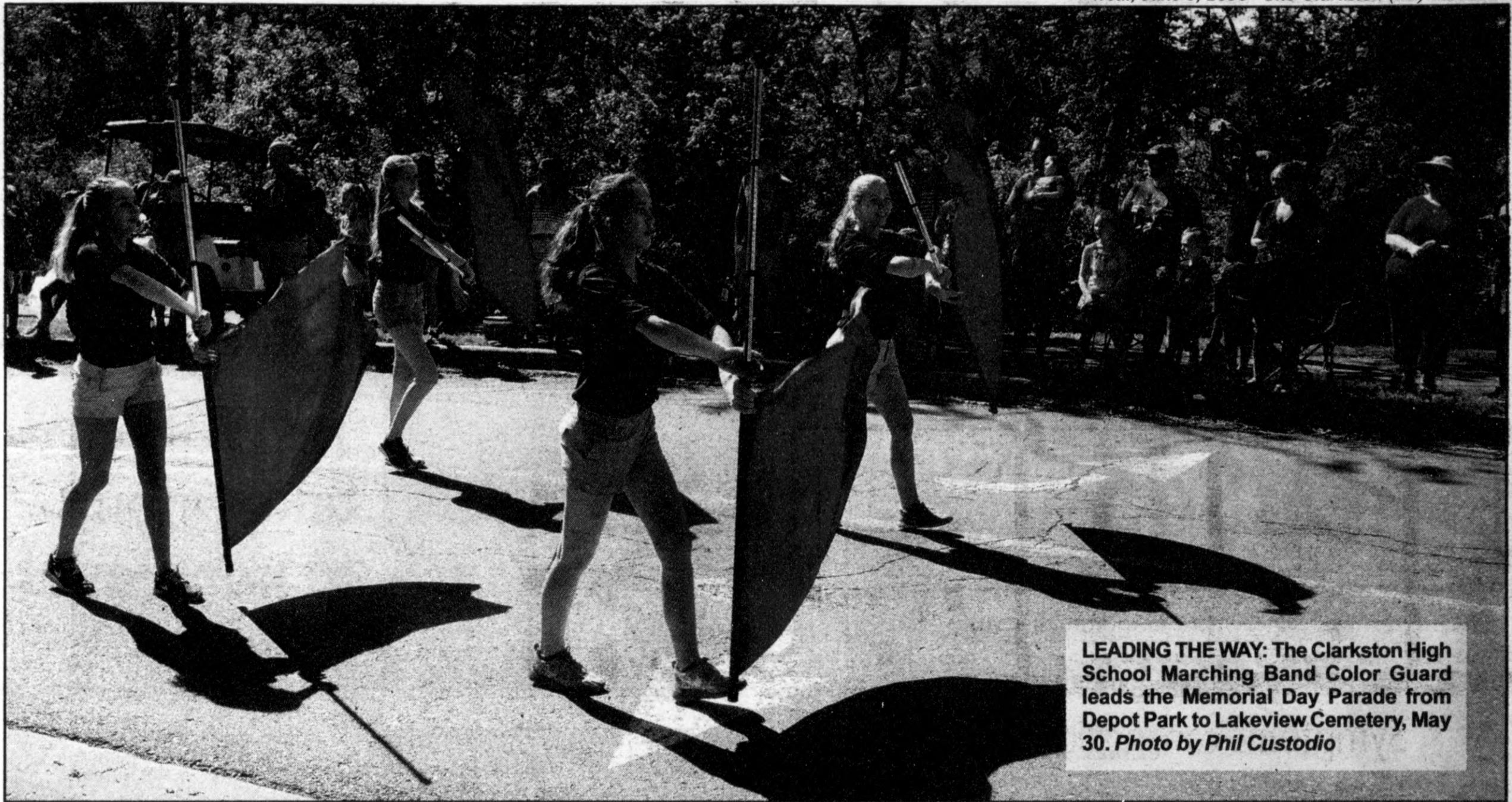
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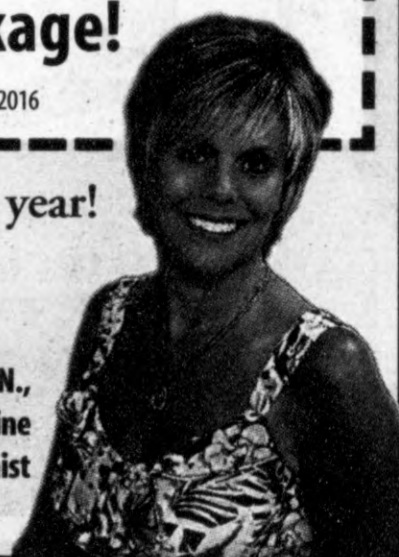


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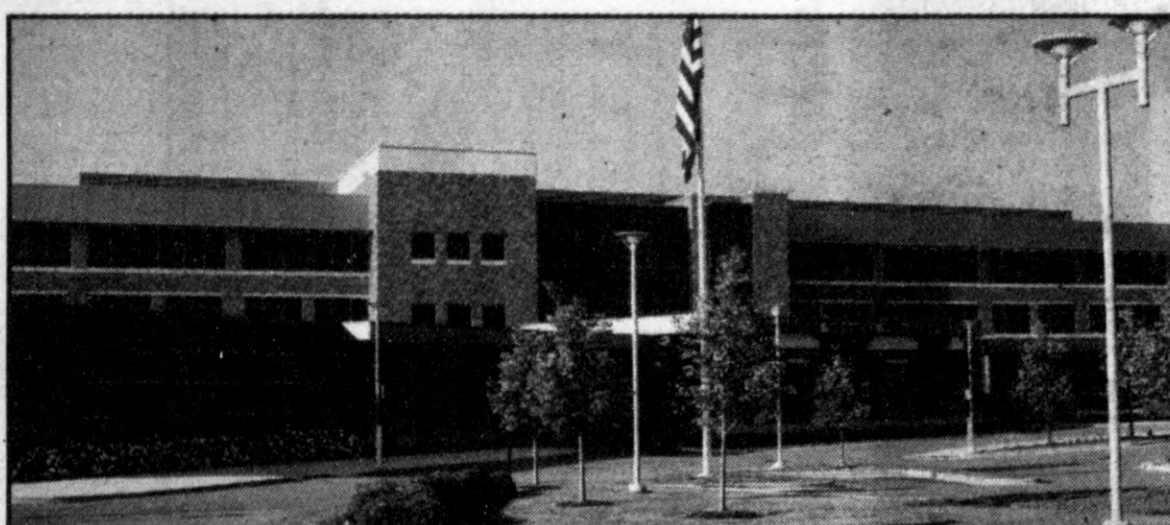
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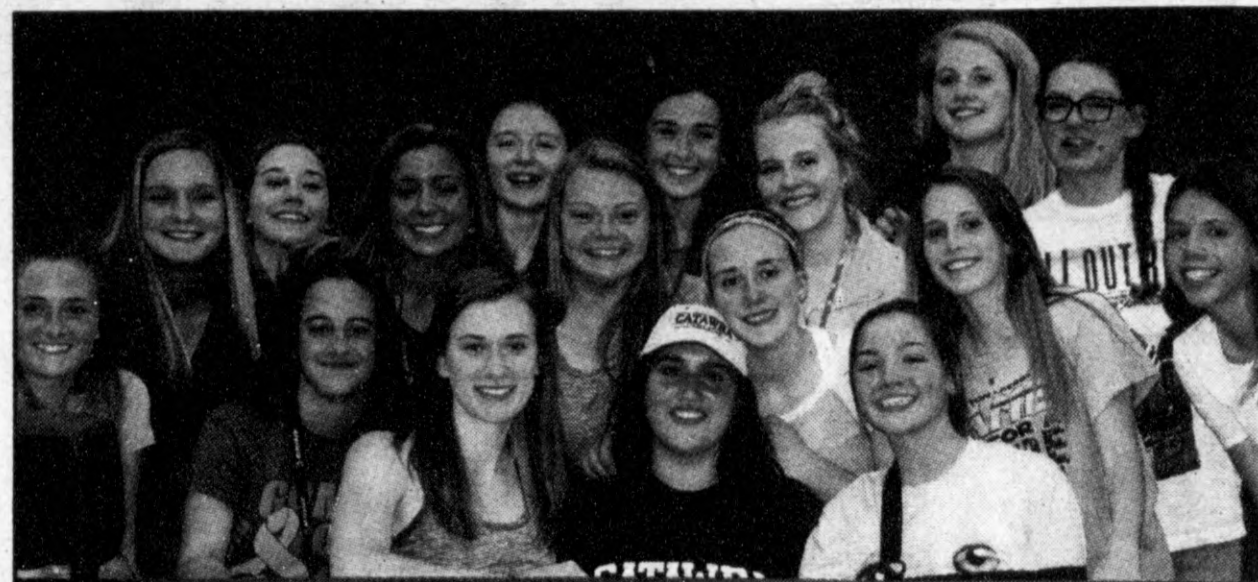
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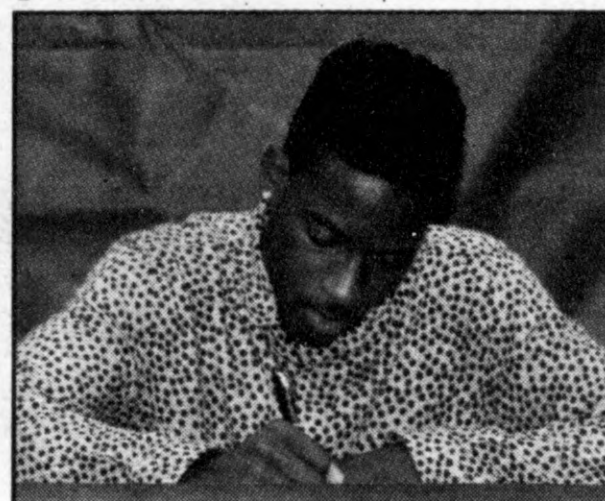
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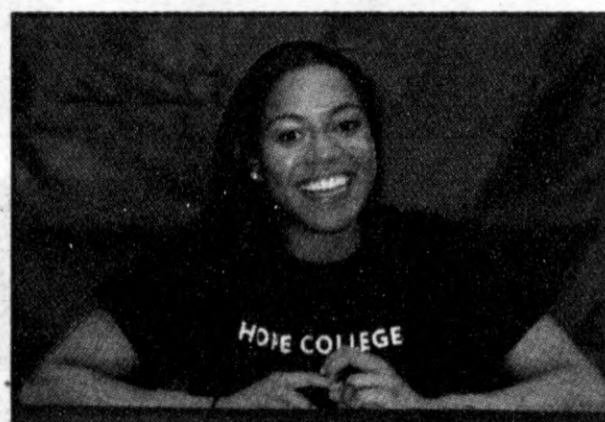
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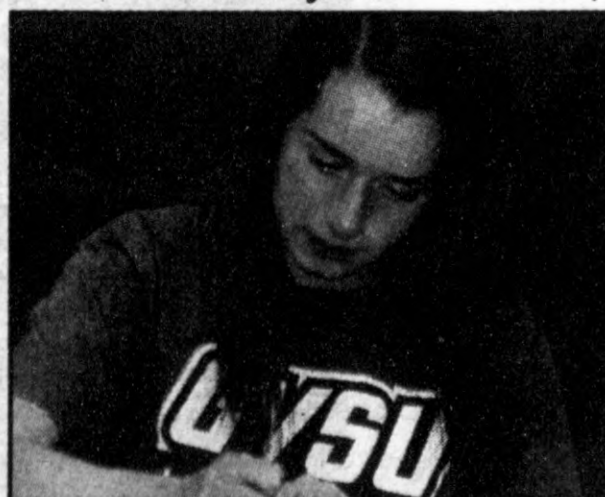
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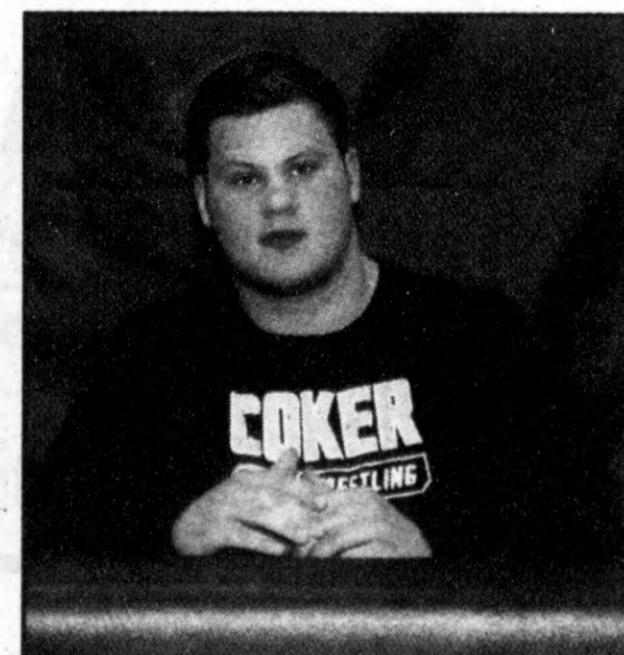


Courtney Roland

18 Wolves take talent to next level

Eighteen Clarkston athletes penned their name to the next chapter in their lives in front of friends and family as they signed their letters of intent, May 23.

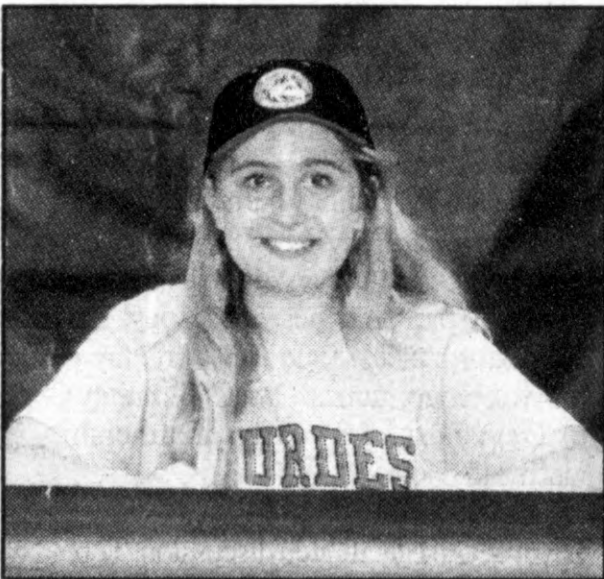
Congratulations to this spring's signees: **Shaquielle Blevins**, football and track, Concordia University; **Nick Bowman**, lacrosse, Albion College; **Kelsey Catania**, cross country and track, Lawrence Technological University; **Logan Conwell**, lacrosse, Davenport University; **Derrick Egli**, cross country and track, Grand Valley State University; **Brent Farrugia**, lacrosse, Trine University; **Kelsey Hunt**, cross country and track, Siena Heights University; **Matthew Jackson**, lacrosse, University of South Carolina; **Jillian Kurolovech**, lacrosse, Catawba College; **Ashley Miles**, soccer, Rochester College; **Keaton Mitchell**, lacrosse, Mount St. Mary's University; **Ian Phillips**, lacrosse, Boise State University; **Kayla Russell**, basketball, Hope College; **Liam Stickle**, lacrosse, Thiel College; **Nathan Troutvine**, wrestling, Coker College; **Nate Vandermeer**, wrestling, Findlay University; and **Shannon White**, golf, Lourdes University.



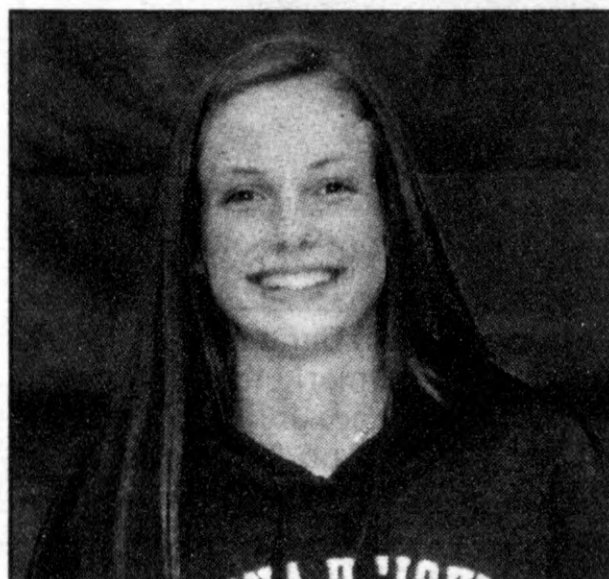
Nathan Troutvine



Nate Vandermeer continues his family's wrestling tradition, signing to Findlay University.



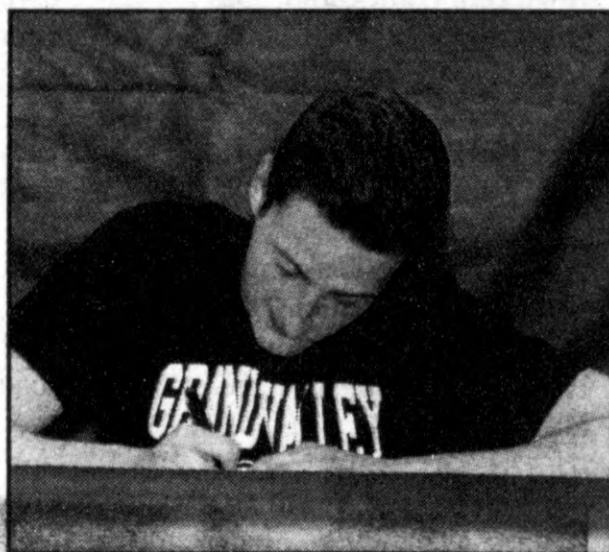
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Clarkston Lacrosse celebrates with seven players signing to play in college.
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Annual Plant Exchange, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club 8:30 a.m., June 4, downtown parking lot at Washington and Main. Bring divided, potted and labeled perennials for exchange with other gardeners, clarkstongardenclub.org.

Peacefest Art and Music Festival, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., June 4-5, 5815 Dixie Highway. Local artists and live bands. 248-330-9588.

Reaching Your Goals: Wealth Management Strategies for Women seminar, 7-8 p.m., June 9, Clarkston Independence Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Monday

Line Dancing, Mondays, Independence Senior Community Center, 6000 Clarkston Road, Beginner, 10-11 a.m.; Intermediate, Advanced, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Country, Salsa, Cha Cha, Rock and Roll with Rosemary Hall. \$3.

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Buck Shots Bar and Grill, 7048 Gateway Park Drive. 248-880-0027.

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

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

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

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

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Around Town

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



Philly and the Flipsters perform at the Springfield Inn Bar and Grill, 10197 Dixie Highway, at 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 11. Formerly the Phil Treais Group, the band is Phil Treais of Waterford on piano, Johnny Sweet of Waterford on lead guitar, Jeff Mitchell of Highland on bass, and Mike Slay of Rose Township on drums. Photo provided

p.m., June 14. Topic: "How can I help myself to not feel so lonely?" Carriage House in Clintonwood Park, 6000 Clarkston Road. Free. 248-625-5231.

Breast Cancer Survivor Group, second Tuesday, 7-9 p.m., 21st Century Oncology, 6770 Dixie Highway. 248-625-3841.

Grief Share, 13-week seminar/support group for those suffering loss, 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, The Gathering Place, 9811 Dixie Highway. 248-694-9351.

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

Widowers and Widows On With Life Group, 7 p.m., first Tuesday, third Wednesday. Dinners, breakfasts, golf, social gatherings, rap sessions for ages 35-80. 248-393-8553.

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

Big Chief Barbershop Chorus, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Waterford Oaks, 2800 Watkins Lake Road. Call Walt, 248-922-9090.

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 News' Coffee Club business networking, 7-9 a.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Free. Facebook.com/coffeeclubmi, and www.clarkstoncoffeeclub.com.

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

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

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

Grief Support Group with Coats Funeral Homes, third Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church, Fireside Room, 4301 Monroe Ave, Waterford. 248-674-0461.

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

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.

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

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

Friday

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

Saturday

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

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

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Monday, June 20 6-7:30 pm
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Favorite thing you learned in science?

"My favorite thing I've learned in science class this year is probably about living things and non-living things and how you can tell if they're living or non-living. I liked how it was complicated to learn and how it's important for life."

— David Moore



"Biomes. I like that we got to see animals and stuff and learn about their habitats." — Branigan O'Neill



"I learned that you can have mistakes, but you always get back on your feet and you keep trying and trying (until) it works." — Christian Gillikin



"My favorite thing that I learned was probably about electric circuits and Mrs. (Heidi) Kroll teaches us a lot of hands-on science." — Quinn Farrell

BY TREVOR KEISER

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Back row from left, Rob Whitcomb, Kailan Mehta, Pastor Dan Niewoit, Alan Partington, Bruce Mercado and Tom Middleton. Second row, Chelsea O'Brien, Leanna Haun, Laura Niewoit, Peg Roth, Kathy Novak, Jennifer Herrmann and Amy Music. Front row, Olivia Thomas, Lauren Dombrowski, Bailey Schroeder, Hannah Music, Nadia Smith, Emily Herrmann and Julia Walker. Photo by Trevor Keiser

Clarkston celebrates 31 years of awards

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A crowd gathered at Clarkston Community Church at 7:30 a.m. to celebrate 31 years of Clarkston Community Awards and to honor this year's recipients.

Each recipient or group chosen were given a nomination by a person in the community and ultimately chosen by the Awards Selection Committee and Community Awards Committee.

Owner of Picasso's Grapevine **Leanna Haun** was named "**Business Person of the Year**," which recognizes a local business who contributes to make this a better community to live and do business in.

Haun has produced over 30 episodes of her show on Independence Television, which has been seen nationwide, which is an excellent way for her to get her company's name and paintings recognized across the country. Haun has also donated over 100 paintings to the Pontiac Schools, so they can display them around the school. All of her paintings are light and inviting, which will help give off positive feelings to all of

the students. Picasso's Grapevine has opened up a door for artists in the community to share there are and collaboration on ideas.

Haun thanked "the wonderful community of Clarkston."

"I'm a transplant. I've only been out here for five years or so now. I grew up in the Gross Pointe side of town and spent my life there. While I loved it, it was beautiful, nice and people were great. It wasn't until I came here that I felt like I belonged," she said. "It was just the warmth of everybody, the excitement of just local people. I can't tell you how much I love just stepping outside the store and talking to people while they walk down the sidewalk. At night I'll turn down the lights after we've cleaned everything up and I'll just kind of sit there and watch people go by. It's just fun to feel the wonderful love of everybody around you - it's that love, passion and compassion that goes into any business."

Alan Partington received "**Adult Youth Volunteer**," which recognized individuals who have given their time, energy and talents

in a volunteer capacity to help our area young people.

As a proud member of the Clarkston Area Optimist Club, Partington has always looked for ways to help Clarkston Area Schools, such as sponsoring an English Essay Contest where students win awards. He also donates his time helping at the district art show, as well as giving students at the Renaissance High School opportunities they would not normally have, such as creating and sustaining a video club.

"Renaissance High School I think that's a gem that we have in the community that a lot of people don't realize," he said.

Partington emphasized the importance of mentorship.

"I believe kids need more learning opportunities, more ways to show them the world," he added. "Obviously they get a lot of that in school and from their parents, but I think it's always good for another fellow adult to be there."

Kailan Mehta is "**Youth of the Year**," which goes to an individual who has given

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Will you demonstrate wisdom of God?

I would like to talk about discernment versus discrimination. In many ways, these two words are the same. They both refer to the ability to recognize differences. Discrimination has most recently been used to refer to how we respond to those differences. This word is specifically used when we talk about how we treat, or respond, to people who are different than ourselves. In the United States, there has been an ongoing struggle to eliminate discrimination. We have worked towards some level of egalitarianism since our inception. This means, we believe all people are created equal by our creator and deserve equal rights and opportunities. In recent history, this struggle has been most visible in the struggle for civil rights by the African American community, and by women. Interestingly, many people see religion as a basis for most prejudices, and oftentimes the social progressives have seen religion as a hindrance to this struggle. This is certainly an uninformed idea because religion has always been very important to our greater society, and Christians have initiated many of the struggles for freedom.

We can see the role Christians and Christianity played in the Civil Rights Movement, as exemplified in the leadership of Reverend Martin Luther King, and the many church leaders connected with him. Now, the major issues facing us are in the areas of gender identification and gay rights. Many Social Progressives compare these sexual issues to the Civil Rights Movement. Is this a valid comparison? We need to compare discrimination and discernment to see the difference between these things, so we can have dialogue on these contentious issues.

To discern means to *see* and *recognize*, but the word discernment speaks of *taking another step to judgment*. In other words, I recognize difference so I can make a proper judgment on how to respond. Whereas we associate discrimination with improper response, we need to see discernment as the ability to judge with the proper response.

How Does Discernment Work?

Gender and racial differences are based upon who we are. However, the new gender and sexual preference debate centers on how people see themselves. This brings the debate and struggle into a whole different realm, and makes comparison to earlier

struggles a misconception. Is there wisdom in making personal perception of oneself the basis for how we treat one another? Having studied social sciences, and working with people for 40 years, I can say by experience this is dangerous territory. Wisdom is the ability to make choices based on knowledge and experience. As Christians, we should not be judgmental, but we should be judging. In other words, we are called to be *fruit inspectors*!

One obvious observation is that most people choose to see themselves based on desire, rather than true observation. This is easily seen in gender confusion. A person is born a male, but sees themselves as a female. Their desire is inconsistent with true observation. If this person is wealthy, they can rearrange certain parts of their anatomy, but they are in a constant battle to try to change natural hormonal production. One of life's major struggles is finding out who we are, where we belong, and what our purpose is.

As Christians, we are not trying to be killjoys, but using the knowledge and wisdom of God's Word to help us in our struggle. We believe the Word of God is a key to understanding ourselves because we believe He is our creator.

The major scientific view held by many who do not believe in God, or only casually believe, is *natural selection*. Using natural selection as the basis of the debate would, in fact, be no different than the Christian one, right? In natural selection, anomalies can be proven superior if they can be proven through survival and reproduction. It is dangerous when psychological ideas, and social debates based on them, create a new science based on human desire. When personal desire triumphs over community, the end result will always be destruction. This is why the Bible declares, "There is a way that seems right to man but the end thereof is the way of death."

Self-centered motivation will always lead to destruction of families, relationships, communities, and as we can see from history, whole societies. This is more than a call to boycott something. It is time for Christians to discern the times and see how important it is for us to believe and demonstrate the reality of the Word to our generation! We must do so with the understanding that God is on His throne and truth will always prevail! Join me as a demonstrator of Truth so the world can see the wisdom of God in action.

The Rev. Loren Covarrubias is pastor of Mt. Zion

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF OAKLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE NOTICE OF FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT CHAPTER 38 - SECONDHAND GOODS ARTICLE III - PAWNBROKERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a regular meeting held on May 24, 2016, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees approved a First Reading of an amendment to the Township's Code of Ordinances and scheduled a Second Reading of the amendment at a regular meeting to be held on June 7, 2016 to consider adoption of the ordinance as follows:

ORDINANCE # 2016-TBD PREAMBLE

The Charter Township of Independence has determined it is appropriate and necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township to amend Chapter 38 Secondhand Goods of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, by adding Article III entitled Pawnbrokers, and to provide penalties for violation thereof. Therefore,

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE TOWNSHIP CODE:

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the "Pawnbrokers" Ordinance.

Section 2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Ordinance is to protect the public health, safety and welfare and to advance legitimate rational regulation of businesses. In an effort to promote and protect public health and welfare, reduce and or eliminate the acceptance and resale of stolen or unauthorized property and reduce crime, the Township enacts this Ordinance to license and regulate pawnbrokers.

Section 3. AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 38. Chapter 38 of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Independence, (Secondhand Goods) is amended by adding a new Article III, which shall read as follows:

ARTICLE III PAWNBROKERS Division 1. Generally

Section 38-60 State Law Adopted.

The Township hereby adopts by reference, Act No. 273 of the Public Acts of 1917, as amended, being Sections 446.201 through 446.219 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

Section 38-61 Inspections of Business Premises.

- Every licensee shall permit all reasonable inspections of the business premises, including during regular business hours and otherwise after regular business hours and shall at all times comply with all applicable laws, including after expiration of any license and during any period the license may be revoked or suspended.
- Any licensee shall display the license in an open and conspicuous place on the premises visible to the patrons of the premises.
- During the pendency of any application, or during the term of any license, if any information provided in the application changes, such change of information shall be furnished in writing to the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee within seventy-two (72) hours after such change.

Section 38-62 Procedures and Forms for Fingerprinting, Statements and Recording of Transactions; Inspection of Records.

- The Independence Township Police Agency shall furnish forms for the taking of fingerprints and furnishing additional information as required by its regulations. Every person licensed to conduct, maintain, or engage in a business of pawnbrokers shall maintain in a form provided by the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee, records in the manner and form as provided herein, which shall be subject to inspection by the Independence Township Police Agency upon request.
- Every licensee, owner and employee, shall keep a record of all persons and/or entities with whom business has transacted and all property coming into their possession. Reports must be electronically transmitted to the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee within forty-eight (48) hours by means of electronic transmission through a modem, or similar device in a format that the data is capable of direct electronic entry into a computerized system approved by the Independence Township Police Agency or its designee. The report must identify property coming into the possession of a licensee,

including but not limited to all pawn property, all transactions in which used goods have been received the preceding day by pawn, trade, purchase, or consignment. A transaction report by electronic transmission under this sub-section shall not be reported on paper forms unless the Independence Township Police Agency or its designee so requires.

Section 38-63 Sunday Operation Prohibited.

It is unlawful for any person licensed under the provisions of this Ordinance, or otherwise as a pawnbroker, pursuant to state law to transact business, or to open the place or room where such business is conducted on any Sunday.

Section 38-64 Sales Prohibited During Certain Hours.

No licensee, employee or agent of a licensee shall sell or purchase by sale, barter, exchange or otherwise, any item under a license issued pursuant to this chapter from or to any person or entity, between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., of the following day. In addition, no person or entity shall purchase by sale, barter, exchange or otherwise, any junk between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the following day.

Section 38-65 Prohibited Purchases.

No licensee, owner, or employee shall receive any item, goods or junk from any person who at the time is intoxicated, or appears to be under the influence of a controlled substance, or is known to be a thief, or receiver of stolen property, or from any person who is suspected not to be the owner of the property, or from any minor under the age of eighteen (18) years.

Section 38-66 Compliance with State Laws.

Each licensee and employees must comply with the terms of state laws including but not limited to the state Act regulating pawnbrokers where applicable MCL 446.201 through 446.219 and any amendments thereto. Full compliance with the precious metal and gem dealer Act as set forth in MCL 445.481 through 445.492 and any amendments thereto is required. Compliance with the sale of secondhand watches Act, MCL 445.551 through 445.555 and any amendments thereto is required.

Section 38-67 Compliance with Zoning Ordinances.

Every licensee and employee shall comply with all requirements for business location at which work, pursuant to any license issued under this chapter, occurs as provided in any applicable zoning ordinances of the Township.

Section 38-68 Penalty.

Any licensee, dealer, employee, person, or entity who violates the terms and provisions of Article III shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not less than ten (10) days, nor more than ninety (90) days, or a fine of not less than Twenty Five (\$25.00) Dollars, nor more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, or by fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court. Any violation, upon conviction, shall result in revocation of such license, and loss of license fee, as prescribed by MCL 446.219, and remedies provided by Sec. 1-9 of the Independence Charter Township Code. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the Township in the event of a violation of this Ordinance.

Division 2. License

Section 38-69 License Required.

No owner or operator shall engage in or carry on the operation of a pawnbroker business without first obtaining and maintaining a valid business license issued by the Township Clerk pursuant to this chapter for each separate office, or place of business conducted by such owner or operator.

Section 38-70 License Application.

Any owner or operator desiring a pawnbroker license shall file a written application with the Township Clerk on a form to be furnished by the Township. The applicant shall accompany the application with the correct license fee, and shall furnish the following information:

- Type of ownership of the business, i.e. whether individual, partnership, corporation or otherwise, including copies of the most recent annual statement and most recent Articles of Organization, or other applicable document.
- The name, style and designation under which the business or practice is to be conducted, including each address at which the business is to be conducted.
- A complete list of the names, resident addresses, birth dates, and driver license, telephone numbers, if applicable, of all owners and employees in the business, identifying where applicable, any employees who will manage, or be in charge of the operation of the business at any time.
- The following personal information concerning the applicant and owners, if an individual; concerning each stockholder, officer, or director of a corporation; concerning each member, if a limited liability company; concerning the partners, including general and limited partners, if a partnership; and concerning manager or other person principally in charge of the operation of the business:

- Name, address and telephone number, date of birth and driver license number, if applicable;
- Two previous addresses prior to the present address of the applicant;
- Written proof showing date of birth;
- Height, weight, color of hair, eyes and sex;
- Two front faced portrait photographs taken within thirty (30) days of the date of application, at least 2 inches by 2 inches in size;
- A full accurate and complete business history detailing experiences, including but not limited to whether or not such person has previously had any ownership interest in, or worked at, in this or another city or state, the same or similar business, including whether any license or permit was ever issued, whether any such license or permit was ever denied, revoked, or suspended, the reason thereof and business activities, or occupations including the full name and address of the business and the name and phone number of any contact persons;
- All criminal convictions other than misdemeanor traffic violations, fully disclosing the jurisdiction in which such conviction occurred, the offense for which convicted, or such conviction and the circumstances thereof;
- A complete set of fingerprints will be taken and retained on file by the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee
 - Authorization for the Township, its agents and employees to seek information and conduct an investigation to the truth of the statements set forth in the application and qualifications of the applicant.
 - The names and addresses of three adult residents in the county who will serve as character references, who must be persons other than relatives and business associates.
 - A written declaration by the applicant under penalty of perjury that the information contained in the application is true and correct with such declaration dated and signed in the Township.
 - Execution of any and all necessary documents and a statement indicating that proper equipment will be installed for the direct electronic entry into the Charter Township of Independence computerized system, transaction information, or recording by electronic transmission pursuant to this Ordinance.

Section 38-71 Investigations and Inspections.

- Upon receipt of an application for a pawnbroker business license, the Township Clerk shall refer the application to the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee who shall conduct an investigation into the applicant's moral character, personal and criminal history. A personal interview may be required and such further information, identification and physical examination of the person and proposed business premises and records of the applicant as shall bear on the investigation.
- The Independence Township Police Agency shall designate the Building Department as its designee to conduct an investigation of the premises where the business is to be carried on for the purpose of insuring that the premises comply with all requirements set forth in Article III and with ordinances of the Township relating to public, health, safety and welfare. As part of its investigation of the premises, the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee shall confirm all equipment is installed and demonstrated to be operating for the electronic transmission of information relating to transactions as required pursuant to this Ordinance. No applicant's license shall be considered as issued until the Building Department's investigation meets the requirements of this Ordinance.
- Before issuance of any license, the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee, shall submit to the Township Clerk within forty-five (45) days of receipt of an application a report of investigations, inspections and a recommendation to the Township Board in the form of an agenda item submittal for approval or denial.

Section 38-72 License Issuance

The Township Clerk upon receipt of an agenda item submittal for a license required by Article III, and reports and recommendations of the Building Department and the Independence Township Police Agency, or its designee, shall place the agenda item upon the agenda for the next regularly scheduled Township Board meeting, provided that such meeting date is not less than seven (7) days from the date of receipt of such application by the Township Clerk. If it is less than seven (7) days from such receipt, such application shall be placed on the agenda for the following regular meeting of the Township Board. The Township Board shall determine whether or not

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such license shall be issued, after reviewing the reports of investigation and inspection, and recommendation by the Independence Township Police Agency or its designee and other employees. The Township Board shall direct that a license be issued within fourteen (14) days, if the electronic transmission is demonstrated to be capable, unless it finds that:

- The correct fee has not been tendered or any fee in the form of check or draft has been dishonored.
- The operation as proposed is not compliant with the applicable laws including but not limited to the Township's building, fire, zoning and health ordinances.
- The applicant or any person having an ownership interest in any entity which is the applicant, or a manager, has been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, including but not limited to prostitution and pandering, gambling, extortion, fraud, criminal usury, controlled substances, weapons, assault, theft, unless such conviction occurred at least fifteen (15) years prior to the date of application.
- The applicant has knowingly made any false, misleading or fraudulent statement of fact in the permit application, or in any document required by the Township.
- The applicant has had a similar business license, or other similar permit, or license denied, revoked or suspended for any of the causes set forth here and above in the Ordinance, or any other state or local agency within the prior fifteen (15) years to the date of the application.
- The applicant or any owner is not eighteen (18) years of age or older.

The Township Board, if it denies an application, shall specify the grounds for denial, and the applicant shall be notified by regular mail, addressed to the address furnished in the application by the Township Clerk.

Section 38-73 Hearings on Appeals or Variances.

a. Within twenty (20) days of the date of denial of an application, the applicant may request in the form of a written application to the Township Supervisor, furnished to the Township Clerk, a hearing before the Township Board for reconsideration of the license application denial, or for a variance of any of the provisions of Article III, which provision constituted grounds for the original denial of the application. Such hearings shall be conducted as follows:

- The applicant and his or her attorney, may present and submit evidence on the applicant's behalf to show that the grounds for the original denial do not exist, or are inaccurate.
- After reviewing the evidence, the Township Board shall determine whether to uphold the denial, or grant the application.
- The applicant and his or her attorney, may present a statement and adequate evidence, demonstrating that:
 - Exceptional or extraordinary circumstances, or conditions apply to the business referred to in the appeal submitted which circumstances or conditions do not apply generally to any proposed business which warrant the issuance of the application notwithstanding conformity to the Ordinance.
 - That the granting of such license will not materially affect the health, safety or welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood, patrons, or the public at large and that such issuance shall not be a material detriment, or injurious to public welfare.

b. In all cases where a variance is granted, the Township Board shall find:

- That the grant of the variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of Article III; and
- That the grant of the variance will not be detrimental or injurious to the neighborhood or the Township at large.
- The Township Board may impose reasonable conditions, if the license is approved for issuance.

Section 38-74 License Fees, Bond

Before issuance of the license, the applicant shall pay to the Township Treasurer an annual license fee and give a bond to the Township as required by MCL 446.202 (4).

The annual fee for a pawnbroker's license shall be established from time to time by resolution of the Township Board. The initial annual fee shall be due and payable at the time of the filing of the application for a pawnbroker's license as provided by MCL 446.202 (5).

Section 38-75 License Denial; Refund; Probationary License.

In the event that the report of the Independence Township Police Agency establishes that the proposed licensee constitutes a threat to the public welfare or morals, the Township Board, in its judgment, shall refuse to issue a license to the applicant (and the applicant's) the license fee shall be refunded except for a service

compliant with the zoning and regulatory ordinances. Such determination shall be issued to the Independence Township Police Agency.

Section 38-88 Police Agency Review; Issuance.

A Dealer shall provide documentation and disclose information to the Independence Township Police Agency including, but not limited to:

- The name, address and thumbprint of the applicant(s).
- The name and address under which the applicant does business.
- The name, address and thumbprint of all agents or employees of the dealer. Within twenty-four (24) hours after hiring a new employee, the dealer shall forward to the local police agency the name, address and thumbprint of the new employee.

The Independence Township Police Agency shall review the application and determine whether the application complies with the provisions of this Ordinance and the "Precious Metal and Gem Dealer Act" (Act 95 of 1981); MCL 445.483 as amended. During the pendency of any application, or during the term of any license, if any information provided is for application changes, such change of information shall be furnished in writing to the Independence Township Police Agency within seventy-two (72) hours after such change.

Upon receipt of the certificate of registration fee and an application complying with the requirements of this division, and after processing the application in accordance with the requirements of this Code and Act No. 95 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1981 (MCL 445.481 et seq., MSA 19.720(1) et seq.), as amended, the Independence Township Police Agency shall issue the dealer a certificate of registration.

Section 38-89 License Revocation.

Any dealer, agent or employee of a dealer who is convicted of any misdemeanor pursuant to this act, or under section 535 of the Michigan Penal Code, 1931, Public Act 328, MCL 750.535, or of the Precious Metal and Gem Dealer Act ML 445.481, shall not be permitted to operate as a dealer within Independence Township for a period of one (1) year after conviction. A dealer, or an agent or employee of a dealer who is convicted of a felony under MCL 445.481 et seq. Precious Metal and Gem Dealer Act, or under Section 535 of the Michigan Penal Code, 1931 Public Act 328, MCL 750.535, shall not be permitted to operate as a dealer within Independence Township for a period of five (5) years after conviction.

Section 38-90 Display of Certificate Registration.

Upon receipt of the Certificate of Registration from the Independence Township Police Agency, the dealer shall post it in a conspicuous place in the dealer's place of business.

Section 38-91 Certificate of Registration; Changes.

Not less than ten (10) days before a dealer changes the name or address under which the dealer does business, the dealer shall notify the Independence Township Police Agency in writing of the change.

State law reference - similar provisions MCL 445.483.

Section 38-92 Certificate of Registration; Appeal.

Any person aggrieved by the grant or denial of a certificate under this article may appeal to the Township Board by written request made within twenty (20) days following the grant or denial. Such written request shall set forth the basis for the claim that the certificate has been wrongfully granted or denied. The request shall be submitted to the Township Supervisor for placement on the agenda of a regularly scheduled Township Board meeting, in compliance with notice requirements.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY. If any Section, subsection, clause, phrase or portions of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independence portion of this Ordinance and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. SAVINGS. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section 6. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 7. NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED. The Township Clerk for the Charter Township of Independence shall publish this Ordinance in the manner required by MCL 42.22.

Section 8. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance section will be in effect as an Ordinance of the Charter Township of Independence thirty (30) days following Publication as required by law.

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC

Clerk of the Charter Township of Independence

Introduced: May 24, 2016

Published: June 1, 2016

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND

FILE NO:
2016-389, 861-DE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

Estate of LAURA D. FINN. Date of birth: 5/30/1943

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Laura D. Finn, died 4/20/2016.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Karen Finn, personal representative or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
(734) 788-8812

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know WATERFORD MONT.

Waterford Montessori Academy will hold a public hearing on June 8, 2016, at 4860 Midland, Waterford, at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the 2016-17 general operating budget. A copy of the budget will be available for public inspection at this location. Individuals requiring special accommodations to attend this meeting should contact Jeremy Gilliam at 248-674-2400 prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE MAY 24, 2016

- A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at Independence Township Hall.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
- ROLL CALL: Present: Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier, Ritchie, Schroeder
Absent: Kittle

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Lt. Dirk Feneley, Oakland County Sheriff's Department; Detective Jennifer Harvey, Oakland County Sheriff's Department; Wendy Hillman, Finance Director; Joe Heffernan, CPA Plante & Moran, PLLC

Chrystal Simpson, CPA Plante & Moran, PLLC; Peter M. Keenan, Karlstrom Cooney, LLP

- APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
- CLOSED SESSION: None
- BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Clerk Pallotta
- PUBLIC COMMENT: Darwin Moore
- PUBLIC HEARING: None
- PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

- PRESENTATION: 2015 Financial Audit - Plante & Moran, PLLC (Joe Heffernan, CPA Plante & Moran, PLLC; Chrystal Simpson, CPA Plante & Moran, PLLC)

- CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None
- CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of the Board of Trustees Special Meeting of May 3, 2016 and the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2016.
- Approval of Payroll of May 20, 2016 and the Check Run of May 17, 2016, for a Total Amount of \$756,549.29.

- ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None
- REGULAR BUSINESS:

- Approval of 1st Reading - Amendment to Chapter 38 - Secondhand Goods Article III - Pawnbrokers Ordinance
- Approval of 1st Reading - Amendment to Chapter 38 - Secondhand Goods Article IV - Precious Metal and Gem Dealer Ordinance
- Appointment/Reappointment of Board & Committee Members - Construction Code Board of Appeals

- COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

- Minutes: Senior Adult Activity Center Advisory Committee - March 9, 2016 (Draft)
- Report: Oakland County Sheriff's Office Monthly Report - April 2016

- BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Lohmeier; Trustee Aliaga

- ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC

Published: Wed., June 1, 2016

Township Clerk

Honored for service

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his/her time, energy and talents to improve the community.

Mehta was nominated because of her "selfless nature." Along with being in the International Baccalaureate (IB) program, she has involved in the National Honors Society (NHS), Leadership and Project Green as well as a varsity tri-athlete in basketball, cross-country and track. She has also been involved in the Sashabaw Middle School tutoring program called "The Clarkston Help" as well as participated in the Business Professionals of America (BPA).

While celebrating her last full day as a Clarkston High School student, Mehta said it was a time for "reflection."

"I'm ending this huge part of my life today and tomorrow and I just want say thanks to everybody and everything that has contributed to where I am today," she said. "I'd also like to thank Clarkston Community Schools for teaching me so many things about how to be a responsible adult, how to give back to those who have given you so much."

Mehta said her time at Clarkston Schools can be summed up in three lessons: One: "You do a lot with little sleep;" Two: "Keep an open mind to all opportunities and ideas;" Three: "The importance of giving back and saying 'thank you.'"

Chelsea O'Brien was awarded for "Community Beautification/Preservation," which goes to an individual, group or business that has made a significant improvement on the appearance of the community.

O'Brien is part of the Independence Elementary's PTA, is a substitute teacher in the community, organized and implemented Project Wild, a day camp for Clarkston youth involved in ecology and runs the independence's immensely popular Garden Club.

"I am so honored and so humbled by your acknowledgement to reconnect kids with the natural world around them," O'Brien said. "In a culture where adolescence spends six to nine hours everyday in front of some type of screen or electronic device, it is in my mind a paramount importance to mentor, to nurture and inspire kids to develop a real connection for their surrounding environment."

Independence Day Parade Committee was nominated for the "Community Collaboration" award, which recognizes a collaborative effort by two or more individuals groups, clubs or organizations, including businesses, government agencies and schools to improve/enhance the community.

For 50 years, the Fourth of July Parade was facilitated by the Independence Fire Department. In 2011 it was decided that it

was not viable for the fire department to continue this process due to funding and man-power. That was when Rob Whitcomb Bruce Mercado, Kathy Novak, Joette Kunse of the Optimists along with Optimist members and Clarkston Chamber of Commerce President Peg Roth, Optimist member and Oakland County Commissioner Tom Middleton, Dan Wung of the Clarkston Lions Club and Pastor Dan and Laura of Mount Zion Church stepped up to the plate to fill the void.

"We have had a blast doing these parades. It's been a lot of work but great organization," Roth said. "There are many committees represented here in this area. It is a great tradition in our community and we appreciate all of your support."

"This is a great example of a collaborative effort," added Mercado.

Jennifer Herrmann was honored as "Citizen of the Year," which recognizes individuals who have given their time, energy and talents to improve the community. Amongst her list of service, Herrmann has served on the Friends of Ryan Kennedy playground fundraiser committee, as well as served as Girl Scout leader and PTA volunteer.

"I'm a bit shocked by this and very humbled," Herrmann said, giving thanks to those who nominated and selected her for the award.

Herrmann said her love for being busy and volunteering runs in the family, noting her mother is very service oriented as well.

"We're just wired that way," she added. "People ask me all the time how I do everything I do? I just kind of say 'I don't know how I can't,' I have to help and do. I think that's what God's plan is for me. I'm a giver and a helper. I hope I'm doing what He's asking."

Girl Scout Troop #13363 was given the "Community Enhancement" award, which recognizes a group, club or service organization's year-long efforts that enhanced the quality of the Clarkston community.

Hannah Music, Emily Herrmann, Lauren Dombrowski, Elizabeth Scheil, Bailey Schroeder, Nadia Smith, Olivia Thomas and Julia Walker worked diligently to seek city approval, raise funds, gather materials and work to build and stock the "Little Free Libraries" that were placed on Main Street and Depot Park. Using weekly assignment and rotation system, these girls continue to ensure that each library is kept neat, well-maintained and well stocked.

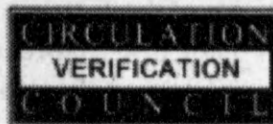
"We are excited to be receiving the award and that the Little Free Libraries are getting so much attention," Herrmann said on behalf of the Troop. "When we started this project we had no idea the community would embrace them like they have. We love seeing people using them."

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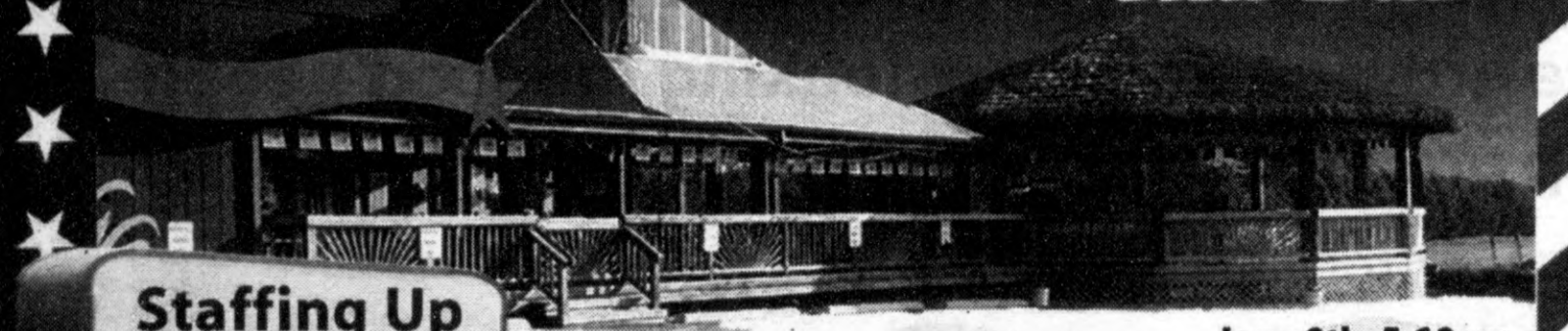
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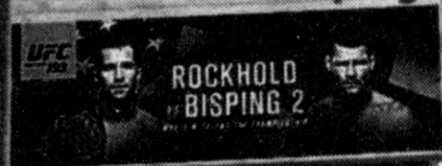
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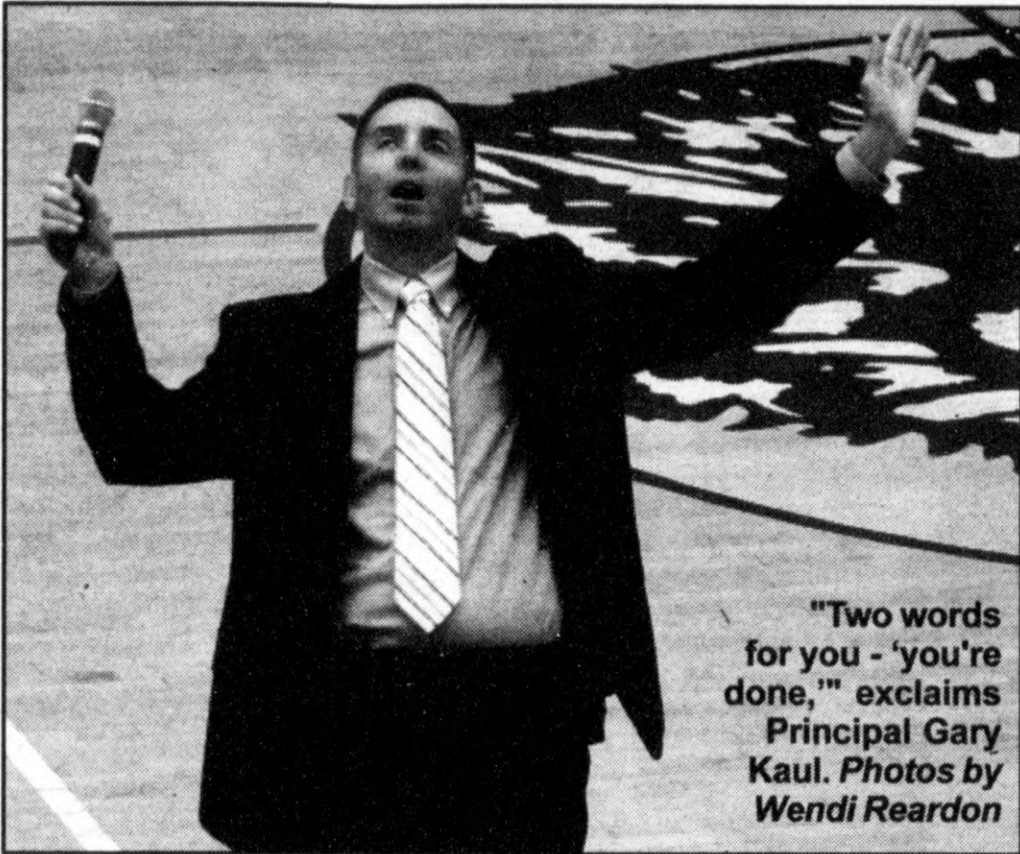
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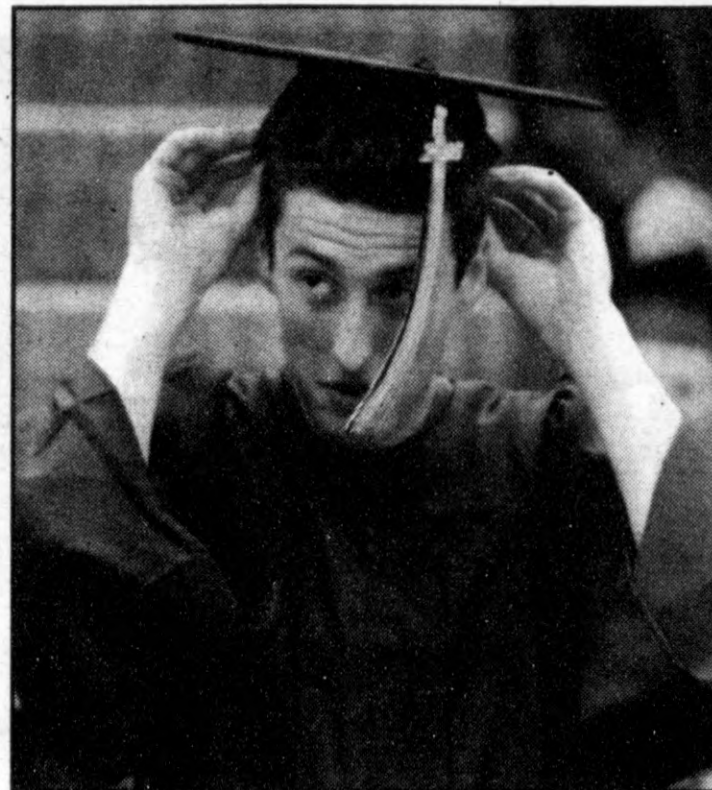
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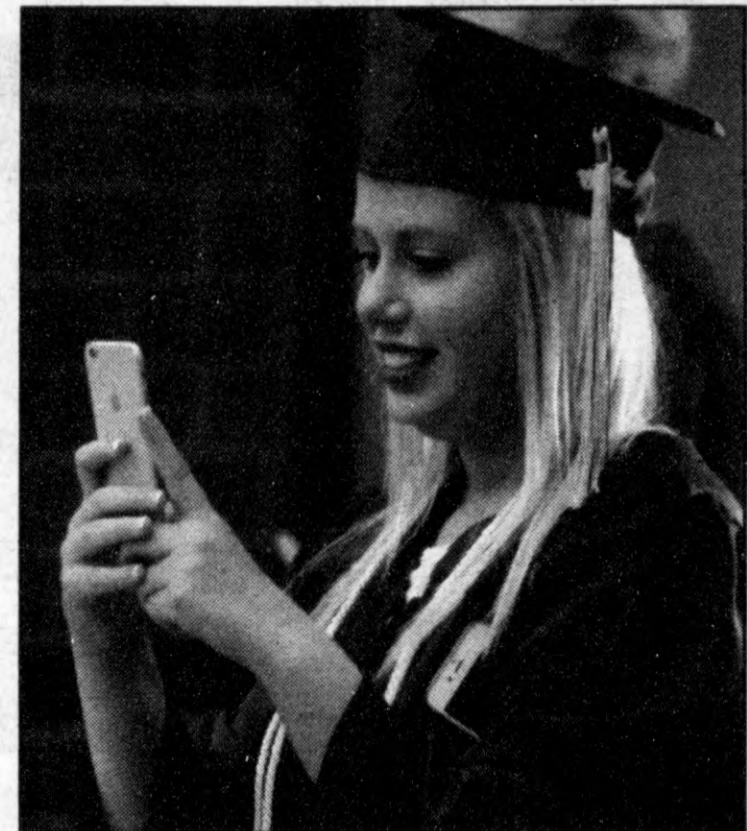
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"Two words for you - 'you're done,'" exclaims Principal Gary Kaul. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Derrick Egli tries on his cap before joining his classmates.



Sara Snider takes a photo.

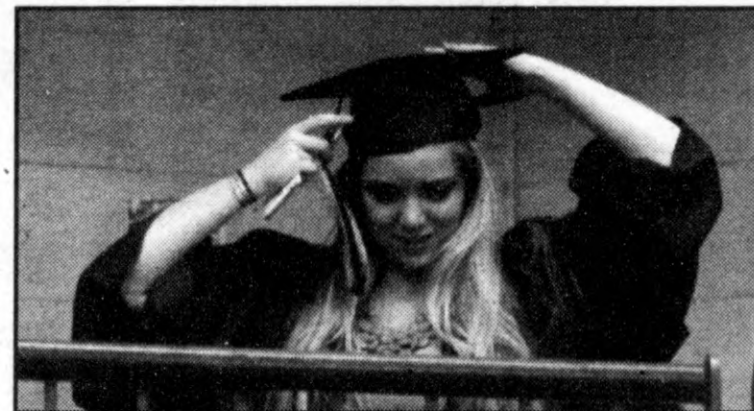


Jeff Cahn starts his last walk as a student.

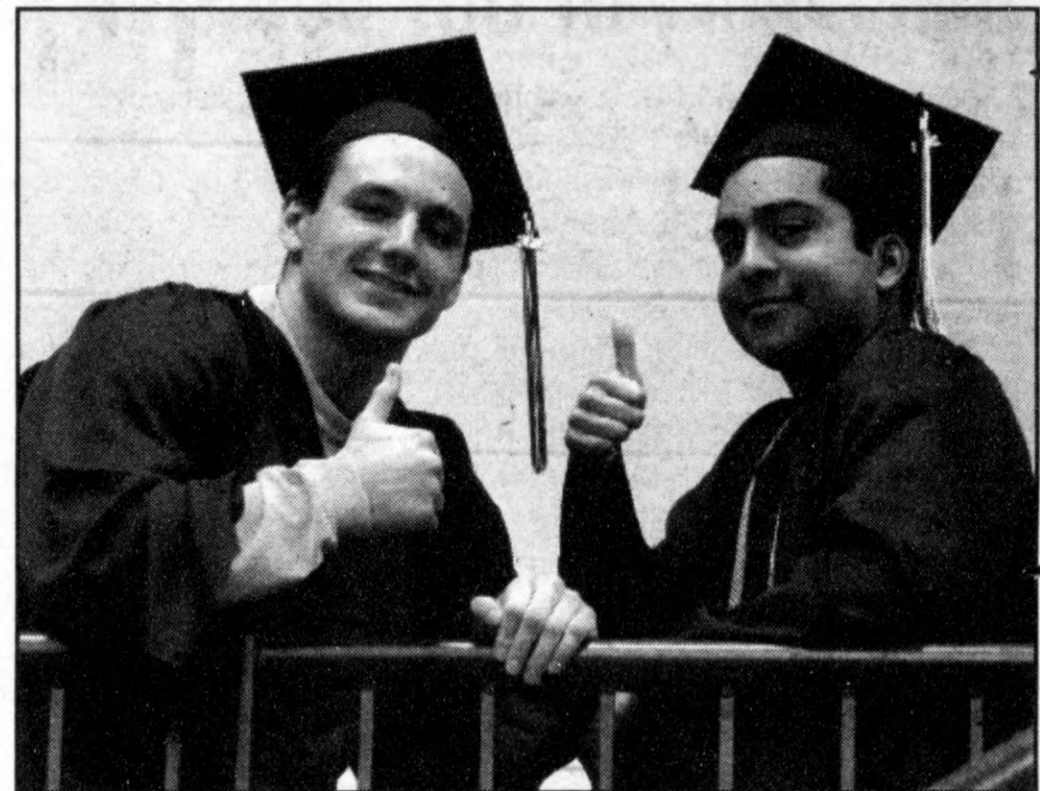
Senior walk

Clarkston High School seniors donned their caps and gowns for the Senior Walk - Wolves' tradition last Wednesday.

Parents, families and friends gathered in the high school hallways as they took their last walk as students and exited the building as future graduates.



Maura McKenzie situates her cap.



Nolan Eriksen and Marco Rosario give the day a thumbs up.



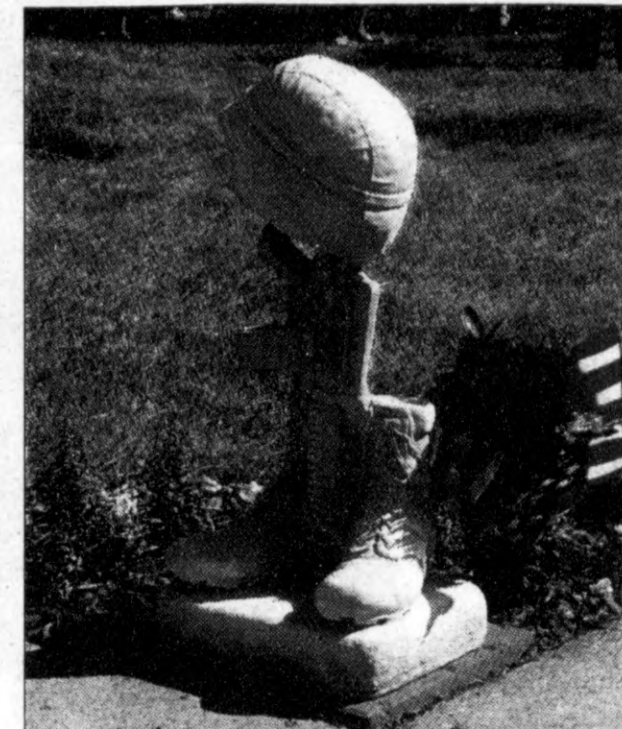
Students make their way down the hallway.



The students empty out of the gymnasium into the hallway.



Paying respects during the CJHS band's rendition of The Star Spangled Banner



The Beno family placed this Soldier's Cross in 2014.

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It was a hot, humid day, last Thursday, May 26. Still, as the sun beat down in the early afternoon, about 60 students at Clarkston Junior High School took time off of their regular studies to reflect on the meaning behind Memorial Day.

Students from Alex Sennabaum's History class and Erin Shaw's English Language class gathered in the school courtyard for the annual Memorial Day Commemoration. The ceremony commenced with the Clarkston Junior High School Band performing The Star Spangled Banner, under the direction of Justin Harris.

Ms. Shaw's students were in charge of prepping the courtyard for the ceremony and ninth grader Hayley Wilson organized brunch that followed the ceremony.

"The courtyard was opened and dedicated in honor of Jenna Beno in 2012," Ms. Shaw said. "We hold a Memorial Day Commemoration in the courtyard and Veterans Day Ceremony in the courtyard every year. Every Veteran's Day we honor a veteran by placing a mosaic stone in the gardens."

In attendance were Bill and Kristi Beno; their daughter, Jenna, was 2006 CHS grad who died in 2012 at the age of 24, from complications due to an injury she sustained while serving the US Army in the Iraq War.

"We attend every year," Mr. Beno said. "Next year, I like to find a way to have a flag pole in here."

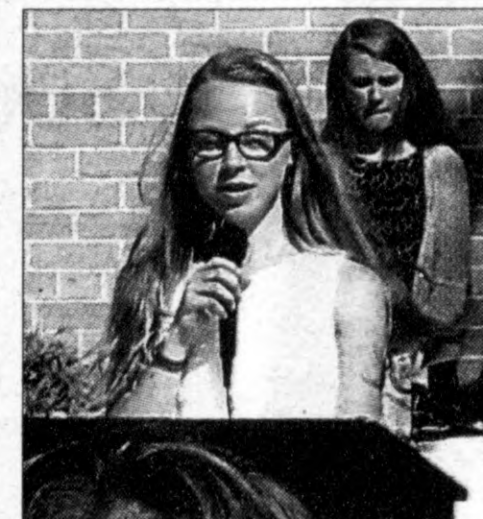
Ninth grader Drew Stark opened the ceremony and was also one of three students to give speeches, themed, "Why is it important to celebrate Memorial Day?"

Also speaking were Grace Nolan and Kaitlyn Joyner.

Nolan asked those in attendance to think about the legacies left behind by fallen soldiers and what legacies each student will leave behind. Joyner talked about each soldier's life story. Stark reminded all Memorial Day is not just a day off to roast marshmallows or to go shopping. It is to remember and reflect on the men and woman who served the United States in time of war, and died because of that service. -- Don Rush



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Playing Taps were Clarkston High Schoolers, Mark Stout (right) and Ryan Felter (echo)

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Clarkston gardener, Deana Richardson, checks the blooms on her Walking Onions she found at the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club Plant Exchange last year. Photo provided

Plant exchange

Over the years, Deana Richardson of Clarkston has taken home Balloon Flowers, Obedient Plant, Chinese Lanterns, Begonias, Bear's Breeches, Phlox, Helleborus, plus herbs and vegetables from the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club Perennial Plant Exchange.

"Who doesn't like free plants," Richardson asked.

Richardson has over 150 varieties of plants in her rural garden. She will bring some plants that are spreading or that need thinning to the June 4 Clarkston Garden Club Plant Exchange and look for some different plant specimens.

"It's a win-win situation," she said. "I have spreading plants and I will share with other gardeners and I will be able to choose some other plants that I like for my garden."

Richardson has many native plants and may include some of those in the plants in the exchange.

The plant exchange will be Saturday, June 4, at 8:30 a.m. in the Village Parking Lot at Washington Street and M-15 in Clarkston. This community event is open to any gardener in the area. It is a "one for one plant exchange."

Linda Walker, garden club chairperson of the plant exchange, advises individuals to be at the parking lot at 8:30 a.m. as the event lasts about one hour.

—Joette Kunse

Students celebrate collegiate success

Clarkston students named to the Hope College Dean's List for the spring semester include **Chelsea Chase, Jacob Conroy, Palmer D'Orazio, Hannah Jacobs, Jennifer Lussenhop, Ross Nickels, Zachary Nickels, Jacob Stafford, Jennifer Thelen, Ashley Urban, Natalie Vela, and Matthew Wright.**

Clarkston students who received degrees during Commencement exercises at Grove City College on May 14 included

Madeline Lussenhop, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and French. Lussenhop is a 2012 graduate of Clarkston High School and the daughter of Chris Lussenhop (Carolyn) from Clarkston.

Alaina Marr earned a Bachelor of Science degree in PreK-4 Elementary Education. She is a 2012 graduate of Home School and is the daughter of Paul Marr (Denise) from Clarkston. Alaina was also named to the Dean's List with High Distinction for the Spring 2016 semester.

Thomas Lowe, a 2015 graduate of Clarkston High School and Clarkston resident, made the Dean's List at the University of Michigan Flint.

Madison Lightfoot of Clarkston graduated from the University of New Hampshire during the Commencement Ceremony held Saturday, May 21, on the Durham, NH campus, earning a BS degree in Social Work Cum Laude.

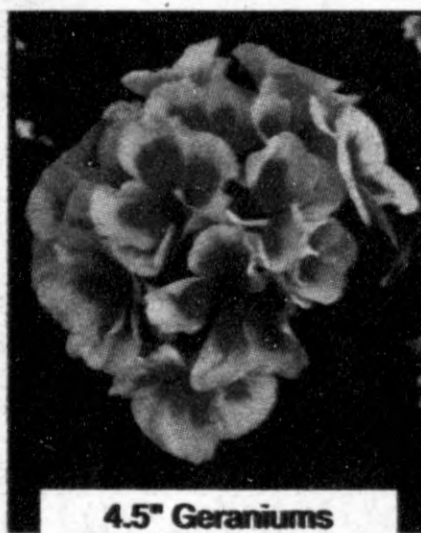
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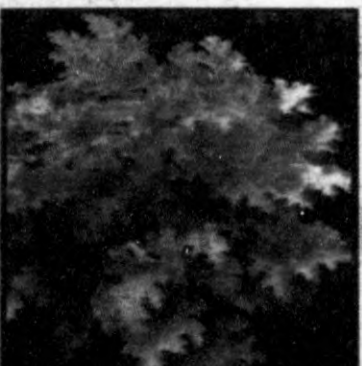
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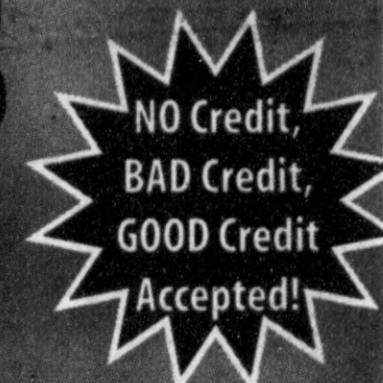
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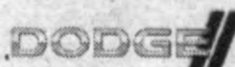
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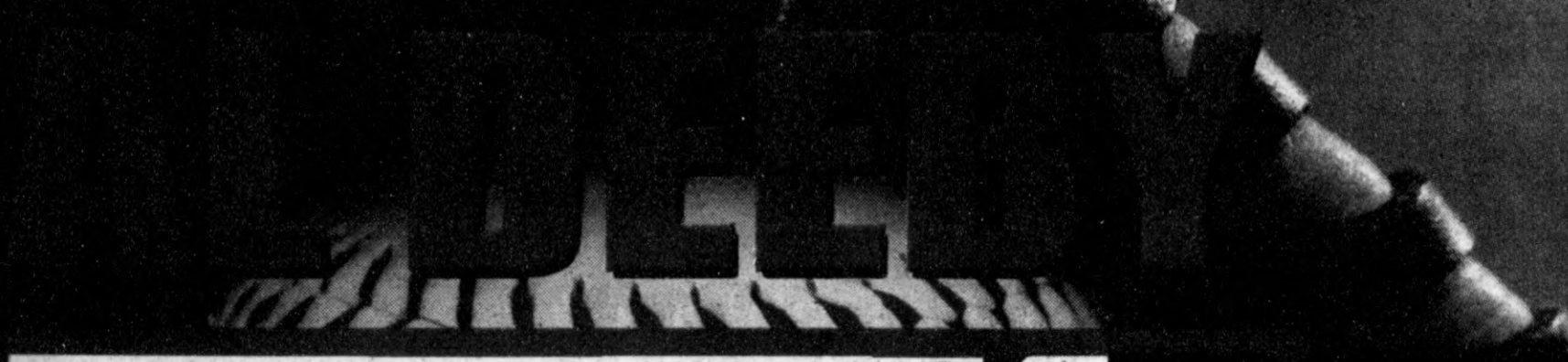
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