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**Oh say can you see**

Pippa Starnes waves her American flag before the Fourth of July parade in downtown Clarkston, celebrating the "Land of the Free, Because of the Brave."  
Photo by Wendi Reardon



**\$75 million school bond**  
**Millions for middle school**

Voters head to the polls on Aug. 2 to decide on a \$75 million school bond proposal. The Clarkston News is touring the school district to see where, what and why it is needed. In the second of a series, we check out Shashabaw Middle School.

**BY TREVOR KEISER**

Clarkston News Staff Writer

If the \$75 million bond passes, Shashabaw Middle School (SMS) would receive about \$6.3 million.

**Building Site Improvements**

One million dollars would be used for classroom and media center furniture, student project displays, and other building improvements.

"Collaboration within group work is best when the whole group sees the thoughts being generated for the project," said Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan. "This model can be enhanced with concepts similar to those used in the work world. Markable surfaces, and areas to pin up and display work are common ways schools are providing for this."

Displays would be fixed or movable, Ryan said.

"The concept is enhanced when other groups within the class and even the rest of the school can see the work and provide input," he said. "This is often accomplished by providing more visibility between rooms and the corridor system."

Another \$900,000 will go towards media center renovations, ADA upgrades, LED lighting and sensors, flooring replacements, update of paint and finishes, clock-system replacement, and a gym partition.

The partition would be a curtain

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Piper MacConaghy, daughter of Afghanistan veteran Brian MacConaghy, takes the stage to sing the National Anthem.



Josh Beal, who served with the First Infantry Division in combat from 2013-2014, talks to visitors about his service.



Gordon Duda shares Revolutionary War living history with Aiden and Connor Beal. Gordon and his wife, Candace Duda of Daughters of the American Revolution, wore 18th century clothing and explained what life was like when the nation was founded.

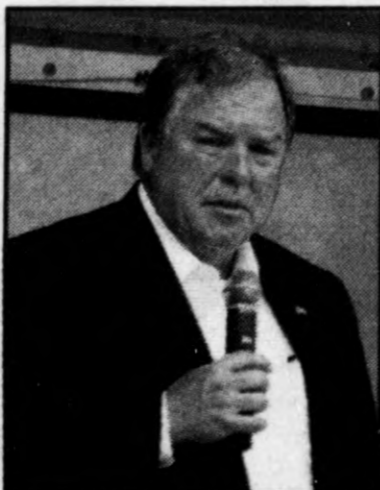
## Honors for local veterans

Visitors filled Independence Township senior center's Bartsch Hall to meet local veterans and look at memorabilia from their time in service during the sixth annual Veterans Celebration.

The military museum and ceremony honoring local vets was during the Independence Fest in Clintonwood Park.



Bart Clark of Clarkston, a U.S. Navy captain, retired, explains the meaning of Independence Day.



Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle reads an Fourth of July proclamation from the Township Board.



Independence Fest visitors check out memorabilia displayed by local veterans. Photos by Phil Custodio

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# Plan calls for three rings of security

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instead of a wall, said Wes Goodman, executive director of operations.

"We've had to create our own and really manufacture our own parts when it's been broken to make it work again. We haven't used it in quite a while because it's beyond repair," Goodman said "If we put a curtain up and down, it will be a lot less weight."

## Safety & Security

Current security at SMS is a person who buzzes people in as they come to the door, like at the high school.

If a crowd comes, Goodman said, it becomes hard for the person to monitor and stop everyone before entering the main part of the school.

The plan is to add a second set of doors, so a person is buzzed in twice. This would be part of the "three rings of security," he said.

"The first ring is working well, we have the buzz-in, we keep the building locked, but when they get in here, that's where the second ring would be," Goodman explained. "If we can keep them here, before they go in and we see something crazy, we can call a lockdown to the classrooms, but we don't have the second ring right now."

The third ring is classroom door locks. New locks are about \$150 per door, he said.

"You want to have good quality devices, so it's not something you run to Home Depot and get," he added. "Nothing against Home Depot, but for commercial (products) everything does get a little pricier. Not every door is the same, so we could get into having to change out the plate and everything else to make that work."

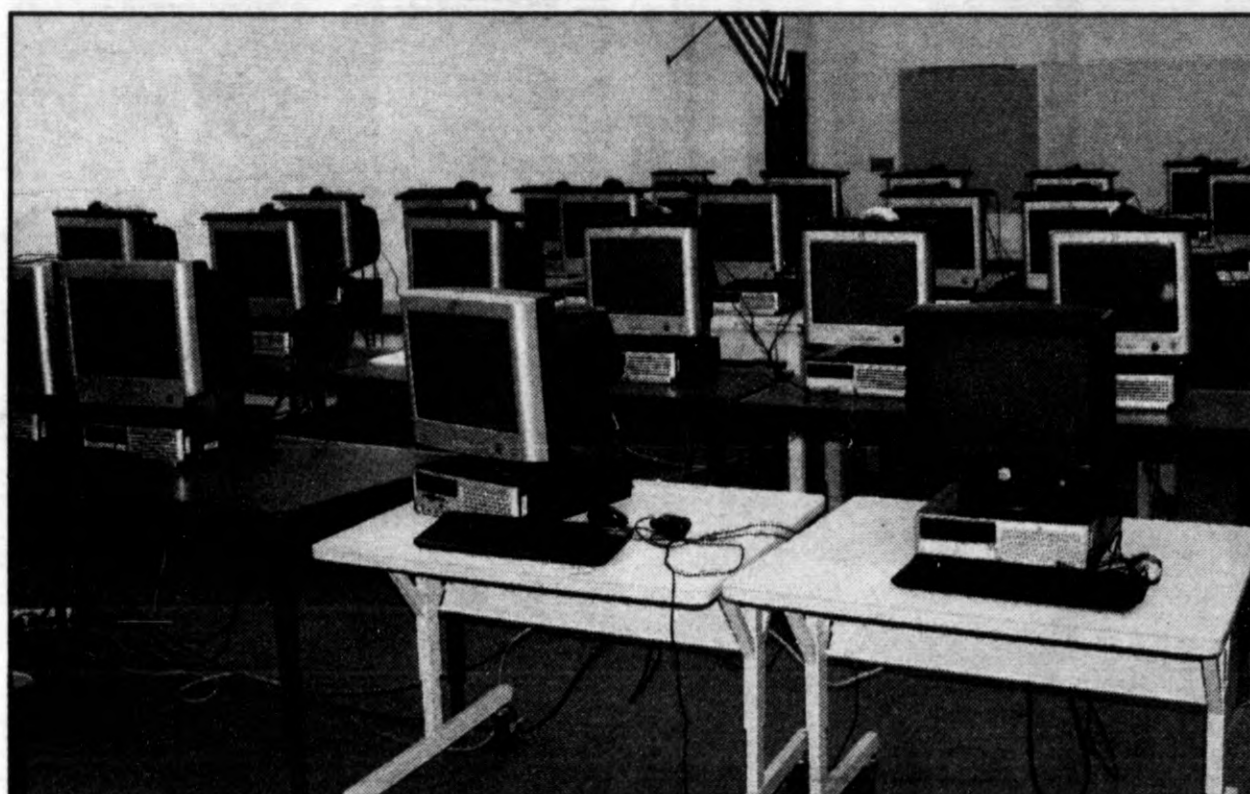
Also, apart of safety and security includes improving vehicle and bus traffic flow (\$300,000), additional parking and new lighting (\$335,000).

"We share this parking lot with North Sashabaw (elementary), so it's a coordinated effort to not have parent-teacher conferences on the same night or planned activities," Goodman said. "This campus is really tight. Even though we do coordinate and we have this nice parking lot right straight across from North Sashabaw, it's still a cluster with traffic flow."

They will also add sidewalks from Maybee Road all the way back to the middle school on both the east and west sides of the school. Goodman said Independence Township agreed to put in a safety-path on the eastside.

"We have parents that will be late to work and drop their kid off at Maybee Road, let them cross and walk in," Goodman said. "We also have parents coming to the parking lot here and dumping (kids off), so we're going to really try and control that better."

Safety and security also includes \$114,500 for new security cameras and TVs.



SMS computer lab has outdated HP computers, with Windows XP needing replacement. Photo by Trevor Keiser

## Educational Technology

The district is looking to spend approximately \$1.1 million in technology and infrastructure costs.

According to the budget, just over \$1.1 million will be spent on technology at the middle school, which will include audio/visual systems, network infrastructure and staff/student lab device upgrades.

Like the high school, SMS has outdated computers with XP Windows. Angela Harrison, district administrator of technology, said it's more expensive to buy Windows machines than Chromebooks or Chrome bases.

However, they still need Windows machines for some things such as state testing for the M-STEP.

"It's one of the larger buildings student-wise, we have trouble making sure there are enough devices for testing, especially this year because M-Step stopped supporting XP," Harrison said.

Harrison did note they have received about \$80,000 a year, for the past three years, from the Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant, which is to help schools prepare for testing. With the grant money, they have been able to install wireless routers and buy testing devices.

They also use Windows-based devices for all the building and system controls used by Goodman's department.

Harrison said they've slowly started upgrading technology throughout the building, but intermixing old and new causes issues.

"You're talking two different fingers. It's difficult to get them to talk together," she said. "So we end up troubleshooting a lot more than what we should have to do on the network."

Part of their upgrades will include Power

over Ethernet, which Goodman said will be a huge help.

"Instead of having electricity at a camera, plus a cable, Power over Ethernet allows power to that camera with one cable," he said.

Part of the gameplan, Goodman added, is to have all security camera video stored on a hard-drive on a server at the high school, where the server room would be backed up by generators.

"Without upgrading all the rest of the switch closets throughout the district we're unable to implement that kind of security solution," Harrison said. "We're also unable to implement a voiceover IP solution for our telephone system. Our telephone system was purchased in 1998 and so it's very old and again the company doesn't really support it. We spend a lot of money on a hardware maintenance program because it's so old."

As part of the overall technology infrastructure, Harrison said they currently have lower grade cables throughout the district which are currently "OK," but within the next ten years they will need to be replaced.

SMS, which holds both sixth and seventh graders, was built in 1969, but had a major addition added in 2005. The school can hold 1,417 students. Last year they had 1,143 students enrolled.

"We doubled the space," Goodman said. "It was a 135,000-square-foot building. We added on 135,000 so we're about even at 270,000 square feet."

GMB Architecture and Engineering prepared a master capital list including a long-range 10-year plan for all district needs.

For a complete list of bond items and cost, visit [www.clarkston.k12.mi.us](http://www.clarkston.k12.mi.us). See next week's edition for details on Springfield Plains Elementary.

## Briefly

### County fair

Oakland County Fair returns to Springfield Oaks County Park, 12451 Andersonville Road in Davisburg, July 8-17.

A free concert by TJ Craven and Grant Reiff will be on July 8 at 8 p.m., followed by fireworks at dusk.

Fair activities include a chess tournament in the historic Ellis Barn; animal exhibits; horse shows; family contests – longest hair, most freckles, sibling look alike, husband calling and skillet throwing; and a teddy bear parade.

Grandstand events in the evening include an off-road demo derby; Championship Figure Eight Races; Superkicker Rodeo; Night of Destruction; and Monster Trucks. Tickets for these events may be purchased at [OakFair.org](http://OakFair.org).

Fair parking, which includes admission, is \$10/vehicle and \$5/motorcycle. Parking is free on opening day, July 8, and Tuesday, July 14, Special Needs Day, with a 2016 Oakland County Parks Vehicle Permit.

For a full schedule of each day at the fair, visit [OakFair.org](http://OakFair.org).

### Garden Walk

The Clarkston Garden Club hosts the Clarkston Garden Walk from 12-8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20.

The walk will feature six local gardens, along with musicians, working artists, refreshments, Artisans Market at the Clarkston Independence District Library, and area restaurant specials.

All funds benefit library gardens, town planters and school programs.

Tickets are \$15 in advance at [clarkstongardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:clarkstongardenclub@gmail.com) or 248-396-6986; \$18 on July 20 at the library.

### Reading program

The Springfield Township Library hosts the Library Olympics on July 13 from 1-3 p.m. at the Shiawassee Pavilion next door to the library, and Flying Aces Pro Frisbee Team on July 19.

The library's theme this year is fun with sports, and as well as encouraging kids to read this summer.

Participants in the Summer Reading Program win a free book if they read 600 or more pages over the summer. If younger kids are not yet able to read, parents can read to them and include those pages on their child's reading log as well.

For more information, visit the Springfield Township Library website at [www.springfield.lib.mi.us](http://www.springfield.lib.mi.us).



## Keiser's Role

A column by Trevor Keiser

### #Brexit

A couple weeks ago my Facebook feed was lighting up with the "#Brexit" and a lot of my friends were talking about the vote which took place on June 23, 2016. I'll admit I had no idea what they were talking about and why this event was so important.

For those not in the know, Brexit was vote by the British people to exit the European Union (EU), which the United Kingdom had been apart of since 1973.

In my research, I found the top five arguments for leaving the EU was 1. Control Immigration; 2. Make Britain Great Again; 3. Reject the Brussels bureaucrats; 4. Reject what the establishment wants; and 5. Lower prices (on food).



From what I gather from these five reasons can be combined into one word FREEDOM.

It sounds like a familiar tale - we know about a group English Puritans who got on a boat named the The Mayflower in 1620 to set sail to a new land (America) in order to obtain freedom from British control. More specifically, the pilgrims wanted religious freedom.

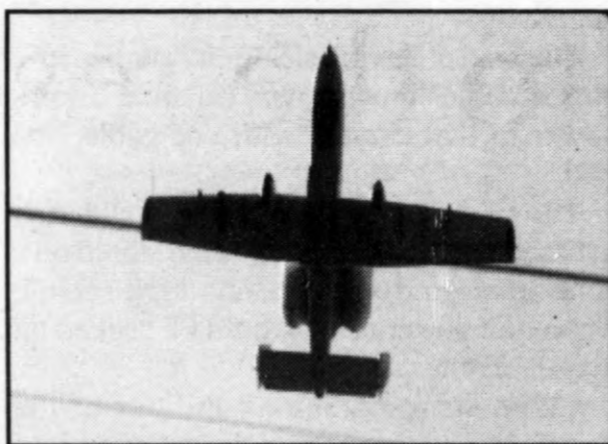
The venture eventually led to the Revolutionary War in 1775 where men, women and children from 13 colonies of the "new land" sacrificed their lives in pursuit of that freedom. Then, on July 4, 1776, 56 delegates signed one of the most powerful documents ever written, The Declaration of Independence. This was America's "Brexit."

*"We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."*

Happy Birthday, America. Let Freedom Ring!



Cub Scout Pack 133 salutes veterans at the Clarkston Fourth of July Parade. Photo by John Meyland



Two Air Force A-10 attack jets from Selfridge Air National Guard flew over Main Street to kick off the parade.

## Salute to the military

The Clarkston Fourth of July Parade paid tribute to the Land of the Free Because of the Brave, with the American Legion Post 63 Honor Guard, World War II combat vehicles, a flyover by two A-10 Thunderbolt II attack fighters, and two renditions of the National Anthem by Karen Newman, voice of the Detroit Red Wings.



Keith Nattrass of Clarkston and other members of the Great Lakes Military Vehicle Preservation Association drove their World War II vehicles in the parade. Photos by Wendi Reardon

## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 2001

**"Township government can't hear us if we don't speak"** Citizen involvement in growth in Independence Township moved to a higher level with a group of area residents, called Citizens for Orderly Growth. They formed with concerns about the nature and pace of development in the township.

**"She's happy to be working in her hometown"** Anne Evans liked Clarkston so much she decided to work here and was excited to being her position as the new assistant director of student support services for Clarkston Community Schools.

**"CMS track caps off solid season"** It was another successful season for the Clarkston Middle School boys and girls track teams. The girls team finished undefeated in dual meets and in second place at the Oakland County meet. The boys set personal bests at the county meet.

### 25 years ago - 1991

**"Storm slashes trees, wires, homes"** High winds and rain battered Independence and Springfield townships leaving toppled trees and damage of all types in their wake. The Independence Township Fire Department responded to 80-100 calls during the course of the storm.

**"Five wells contaminated"** Residents in five Clarkston homes were notified their water was contaminated and had traces of toluene, chloroform and a type of dichlorethane. Village Manager Art Pappas was frustrated with tracking down the source of the problem.

**"Patriotism wins awards in parade"** With over 100 entries in the parade and decorating contests three floats were cited for patriotic spirit. First-place honors went to "Clarkston Critters" float created by Clarkston-area youngsters in the 4-H.

### 50 years ago - 1966

**"Rezoning paves way for another subdivision"** A 90-acre parcel of land off Maybee Road near Sashabaw Road was approved for rezoning. It had been zoned for suburban farms but will now be residential.

**"Clarkston students go abroad six weeks of study and tours"** A group of nine happy Clarkston High School students headed to Europe for a six-week tour of England, Scotland and France.

**"Round the Town"** Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Campbell returned home from a month visit in Alaska where they were amazed by the beauty and vast wilderness.



# Take time to re-read Star Spangled Banner

*These Jottings first appeared June 27, 2007*

This week, our country celebrates the Declaration of our Independence, July 4, 1776. It was that day our founding fathers told the world, we would no longer be second-class citizens, ruled by a monarchy.

Our national anthem, the Star Spangled Banner was composed by Francis Scott Key in September, 1814. Here are the words.

\* \* \*

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.

O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore dimly seen thro' the mists of the deep,  
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,

What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,  
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?

Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,  
In full glory reflected, now shines on the stream:  
'T is the star-spangled banner:  
O, long may it wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore  
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion  
A home and a country should leave us no more?

Their blood has wash'd out their foul footsteps' pollution.  
No refuge could save the hireling and slave  
From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave:  
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O, thus be it ever when freemen shall stand,  
Between their lov'd homes and the war's desolation;  
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n rescued land  
Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserv'd us as a nation!

Then conquer we must, when our cause, it is just,  
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust"  
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

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My sources tell me, in 1814, about a week after Washington had been badly burned, British troops moved up to the primary port at Baltimore Harbor, Maryland.

Frances Scott Key visited the British fleet

in the Harbor on September 13 to secure the release of Dr. William Beanes who was captured during the siege of Washington.

The two were held captive on the ship as not to warn Americans the Royal Navy was going to attempt bombing Fort McHenry.

At dawn the next day, Key saw Old Glory still waving and had not been removed in defeat. The sight inspired him to write the poem, *Defense of Fort McHenry*.

The poem was set to music previously composed for a British drinking song, by a Mr. Smith. The result was the inspiring song now considered our national anthem. For the next 100 years it was the unofficial anthem of our country and became even more accepted as the national anthem during the 1917 World Series as it was sung in honor of the armed forces fighting in the Great War.

On March 3, 1931, Congress proclaimed it as the National Anthem, 116 years after it was first written.

## Jim's Jottings



a column by  
Jim Sherman

Their blood has wash'd out their foul footsteps'

## Peanut gallery to the rescue!

So, Monday night I was lulled to sleep by the soundtrack, dialogue and carnage that is that cinematic masterpiece *Killer Klowns From Outer Space*, and somewhere between evil Klown snickering and screams, just before my brain turned off, I thought, "Rats. I didn't write that column..."

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Good morning, happy day after Independence Day! Got to work early, spent 30 minutes getting my work, 2002 Windows XP to finally boot up and thought (after the cussing and colorful metaphors), "I need to get my 1,561st column out!"

Then I remembered an email from Lake Orion's lovable curmudgeon, Bill Kalmar. Wrote Bill, "Don - do you really write out in long hand your columns? And if you type it later do you use white out when there is an error? Or do you make a stencil too? And, I see you write in something called cursive which was outlawed several years ago by students who only print and write in caps! Don, welcome to the new world of writing! You can now talk into your iPhone and have those words transcribed onto a disc where it then can be printed. Wow! Well, somehow your system works for you so continue on my friend! --Bill (still writing in cursive)"

\* \* \*

Bill, thanks. Yes, I type them on the computer after writing cursive. Except this week. Straight electronic magic.

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Then, I thought, "Wait a cotton-pickin' minute! Last week I went to social media and asked all my 635 'friends,' 'Putting this out to the Peanut Gallery -- have a short week this week, I just finished one column, now I gotta write another. Any ideas on what I should expound on?" I think the rest of my job this week is done! Following is what them peeps wrote back -- all good ideas for the future.

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**Alys Swan-Jackson:** Hmm?

**Barb Fahlquist:** How about the recent tendency of the younger generation to #adulting every accomplishment they achieve. Guess they're looking to get a "Participation Award" for doing what mature adults have been doing forever. Any thoughts?

**Bill Innis:** *Clarkxit* - Clarkston Village's exit from the rest of Independence Township.

**Kevin Thomas:** how about what kinds of food served at Fourth of July parties that differ from normal of hot dogs and hamburgers?

**Kathy Lamphere Sowles:** So sick of hearing about everyday crap, racism, politics, crimes, social media, money, Hollywood; ideas of what to talk about? . . . I always love talking about food or reading about it... It's usually a topic that makes people happy

**Kris Sexton:** What brings joy into your life? Write about things you can do to brighten up someone's day. Tell us about someone you wish you could see again. What do you love the most about your job?

**Jay Bleim:** (write about) Clarkston United Methodist Church's Adult Righteous Mission Project at Hope Hospitality & Warming Center this week.

**Susan Sajdak:** Ok, end of June, year is half over. Anyone still working on their New Year resolutions? What's the rest of the year likely to bring? How many more days of summer?

**Terri Faulkner DeMasellis:** What do you love most? Pure Michigan Summers, the foliage, indigenous peoples, Hillary Clinton ... pick one...

**Cory Johnston:** An idea has been rattling around in my head and it might sound better rattling around in yours. What is the role of government? The Village of Clarkston has recently shown a complete lack of understanding for the rules and laws that are supposed to govern what they can and cannot do, including the rules they created. The public appears to be far better informed and aware of this than those

that make the decisions. Independence Township on the other hand has come out of a pretty bad political era and now seems to be open and honest about what they are doing and why. The city of the village wants to build walls and security measures in the tiny village offices, in addition to all the cameras they already added to the park, because . . . As usual, longer than I had planned.

**Rob Schroeder:** four (4) day work weeks are becoming part of today's work-force

**Mark Kopp:** Fireworks and how dry it is from lack of rain?

**Andrew J. Dubats:** best summer grilling practices

**Rob Butler:** Write about how corrupt the mainstream media, Barack Obama & Hillary are. Oh wait, that wouldn't be an article it would be a volume of books.

**Wendi Reardon:** How one of your reporters challenged you to Camp NaNoWriMo during July... on Facebook ...because you were looking for column ideas. Muahahahaha

**Robert Roth:** How to spend \$75 million on Clarkston schools without a tax increase?! Hmhmhmhm!

**Angela King Herdman:** Whether cities should impose a ban on fireworks or not because of the safety concern with our current lack of rain.

**Patrick J Kittle:** How about something positive. Our own Judge Kelly Kostin co-presides over the North Oakland County Veterans Treatment Court. Judge Kostin has some unbelievable first hand accounts of how VTC saves lives.

**Hollie Luter Giannaula:** Something about education. Find a teacher who is working his/her butt off over the summer to get a leg up on the next school year. Write about the need to create independent thinkers who can focus and execute tasks? We are trying to hire competent workers and are finding a plethora of entitled, unfocused 20-somethings that need their hand held to get through the day. After being in education for the past 8 years, I am seeing the repercussions of helicopter parents and everybody gets an A.

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A column by  
Don Rush





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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
05 09 2016

Roll Call: Sabol, Marsh, Kneisc, Haven, Catalo, Mayor Luginski. Absent Avery.  
Caitlin Bentoski took the Oath of Office for City Treasurer.  
Motion by Sabol, Supported by Catalo to accept the Consent agenda as ammended with the request of a change in the 04 11 2016 minutes. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Upcoming event in Clarkston is a Truck Rally on Friday May 20, 2016 from 5:30 to 9:00 at Mills Mall Parking Lot. Chamber has agreed to hire a deputy for the event.

Motion by Catalo, Supported by Haven to support the 100 year rededication ceremony of the Masonic Temple that was built in 1916. Sean Miller's request is to close Washington Street from M-15 East to the Alley with the use of DPW baracades on Saturday August 13, 2016 from 10 am to 1 pm. All Aye, Motion Carried. There is an invitation to the Mayor and Council to attend Lunch after the rededication ceremony RSVP is required.

Motion by Sabol, Supported by Marsh to Adjourn the meeting at 8 pm. All Aye, Motion Carried.  
Respectfully submitted, Sandy Miller, City Clerk

**NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS**

**CALVIN L. LANG** (date of birth April 12, 1928), who lived at 6592 Park Valley Drive, Clarkston, MI 48348, died October 25, 2013. No Probate Estate has been opened and there is no personal representative to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

On December 14, 1982, **CALVIN L. LANG** as Settlor created the REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST AGREEMENT OF **CALVIN L. LANG**. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST AGREEMENT OF **CALVIN L. LANG** date December 14, 1982, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to **JACQUELYN M. BOGLE**, Successor Trustee, within four months after the date of publication.

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**BETTY M. LANG** (date of birth June 17, 1929), who lived at 6592 Park Valley Drive, Clarkston, MI 48348, died January 18, 2016. No Probate Estate has been opened and there is no personal representative to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

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Roll Call: Catalo, Haven, Kneisc, Marsh, Sabol, Mayor Luginski, Avery. Present

Motion by Sabol, Supported by Avery to approve the Agenda. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Resolution by Sabol, Supported by Marsh to resolve not to accept any of the 4 bids. Roll Call: Haven, Kneisc, Catalo, Mayor Luginski, Sabol, Avery, Marsh. Resolution is Adopted. This action was taken in regards to the DPW Building addition.

Motion by Avery, Supported by Marsh to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. All Aye. Motion Carried.  
Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Miller, City Clerk



## Assault

A 40-year-old Independence Township woman was cited for assault after attacking a 36-year-old Independence Township woman in the 2000 block of Mann Road, 12:39 a.m., June 25. They were in an argument when the 40-year-old slammed the younger woman's head into a van's window, breaking her glasses, ripped her shirt, and scratched her on the neck, shoulder, and back.

## Child left in hot car

A shopper called deputies after noticing a child left in a locked vehicle parked with the windows up in the 6000 block of Dixie Highway, 6:16 p.m., June 27. A deputy used a lockout tool to get into the vehicle. The child seemed OK, but Independence Township paramedics were called to check. The vehicle's owner, a 27-year-old Independence Township woman and the child's mother, was paged in the store, and advised it was 90 degrees outside and at least 10 degrees hotter in the vehicle. She said she dropped her other child off prior to going to the store and forgot the other child was in the vehicle. She was cited with Leaving a Child Unattended in a Motor Vehicle, and Expired Plates. Child Protective Services was also contacted.

## Van accident

A work van rolled into the side of a building in the 7000 block of Ardsley Lane, 6:57 p.m., June 27. The impact damaged electrical, water, and gas lines attached to the side of the home. The vehicle also damaged a sprinkler head on the ground. The van's driver, a 21-year-old Davison man, said the vehicle launched forward when he activated his carpet cleaning equipment, knocking him off balance. He said he did not notice damage to the wall. The manager of the business said this has happened before with work vehicles, due to the carpet cleaner being powered by a PTO on the motor of the vehicles. He was advised the company should look into this safety issue with their vehicles. Independence Township firefighters were called to cap the gas line.

# Public Safety

## Robbery suspects caught

A witness followed a vehicle involved in a robbery of a gas station on Dixie Highway near Andersonville Road in Waterford Township to a parking lot in the Bridgewater Apartments, 10:40 p.m., June 27. Deputies located two suspects, a 22-year-old Waterford Township man and 22-year-old Independence Township man, inside the vehicle. Both were taken into custody. Deputies located a mask, "The Thing" from Fantastic Four, in the vehicle, connecting the suspects with a recent robbery in Independence Township at Jimmy John's. Both suspects were turned over to the Waterford Township Police Department on their robbery. Investigation continues.

## Stolen car

Deputies located an unoccupied vehicle on Old White Lake Road near White Lake and Andersonville roads, 1:54 a.m., June 28. A records check of the license plate showed the vehicle had been stolen the day prior from a residence in Waterford Township. The hood of the vehicle was warm, indicating the vehicle had been recently driven. A K-9 deputy

tracked to a residence in the 4000 block of Kimberly Lane in Waterford Township, about 300 yards south of where the stolen vehicle was recovered. The investigation will be handled by the Waterford Township Detective assigned to the Oakland County Auto Theft Unit.

## Credit fraud

A 19-year-old Livonia man was arrested for fraudulent credit card at a Dixie Highway Kroger store, 10 p.m., June 30. Employees called deputies to report suspicious use of the cards. The suspect was found in the parking lot across the street. He said he knew the cards were fraudulent and he had purchased them from a liquor store in Detroit. He told deputies he would purchase the fraudulent cards for \$50 then take them to Kroger stores and purchase new prepaid Visa and MasterCard's. The suspect was in possession of nine fraudulent credit cards; 10 prepaid MasterCard's and \$246 in cash. Kroger loss prevention said this suspect had been also doing the same thing at Kroger stores in Commerce Township and White Lake Township earlier in the day.



A historic fire truck makes its way down Main Street during the Clarkston Fourth of July Parade. Photo by Wendi Reardon



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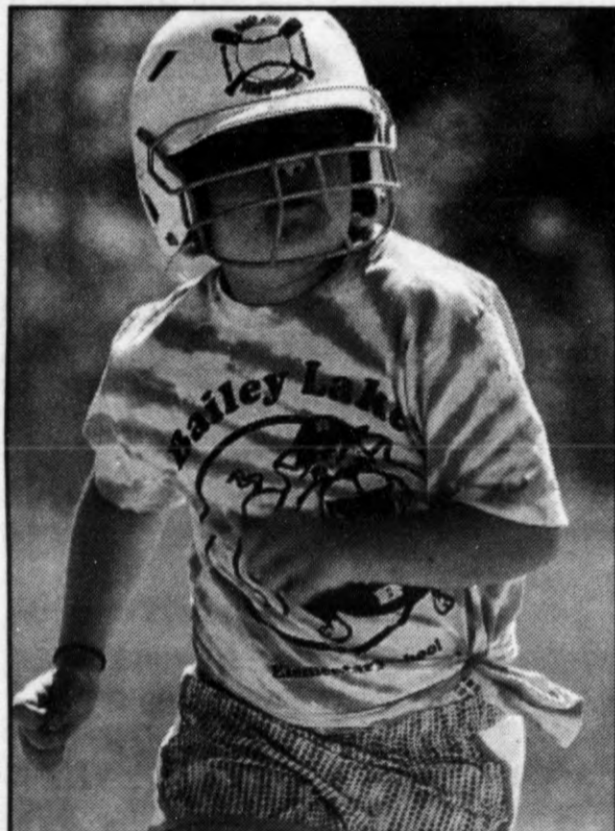
## Building onto softball skills

BY WENDI REARDON  
*Clarkston News Sports Writer*

Mackenzie Kramer smiled as she stepped off the field as Adventures in Softball campers finished their last scrimmage last Thursday.

The camp, held for players ages 6-12, included throwing, fielding, hitting, bunting, slapping, base running, pitching, catching and sliding. The camp was led by Clarkston Varsity Softball Head Coach Don Peters, his varsity players and alumni.

"I enjoyed learning about first," said Leila Davis.



Anna Voto runs to third base during the last scrimmage.

Peters admitted the camp was small this summer with only seven campers and he was asked if he wanted to cancel the camp. He said no.

"We want to serve the girls," Peters added.

Instead he turned it into a positive. Campers not only had more opportunities to work on skills like getting ground balls, but they were also able to get individualized lessons and work on perfectly their skills in focused areas.

"They are going for lessons and it might be something for next year we can market - two types of camps like individual hitting or pitching lessons," Peters said.

He added Adventures in Softball gives the kids something to look forward to during summer break.

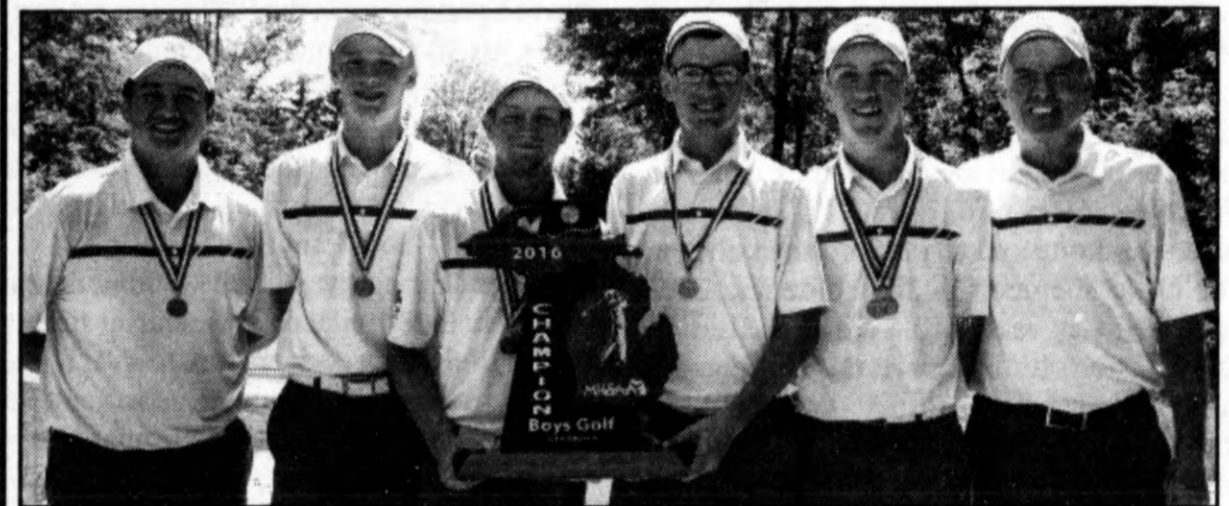
"They have great role models in the varsity players and alumni - especially Rachel Vieira," Peters said. "They are learning about being a quality athlete and a quality person."

Each camper had an exit interview with Peters and each promised they would pitch harder, hit further, run faster, be smarter, get stronger and be nicer.

Adventures in Softball ended with the tradition of the slip and slide as the girls practiced their sliding skills. See the slip and slide photos in a future edition of *The Clarkston News*.

The camp is held through Clarkston Community Education. For more information or to find other camps, please visit [www.itpr.org](http://www.itpr.org) or call 248-623-4326.

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



The Clarkston Everest Collegiate Boys Varsity Golf team proudly displays the state trophy - one of their many accomplishments during the season. Photo provided

## Climbing to the top

BY WENDI REARDON  
*Clarkston News Sports Writer*

It was three years in the making for the Mountaineers and the work paid off as they won the MHSAA Boys Golf Division 4 State Championship by 28 strokes at Michigan State University, June 10-11.

"After our first taste of what it was like when we qualified for it in 2014 the boys felt it was something if they worked hard at we could accomplish," said David Smith, head coach. "Since then every year at the start of the season that was what we geared our matches and practice towards. The school hadn't won a state championship in any sport up to that point. It motivated the boys to be the first team to do it."

He added Tyler Rozwadowski, the team's captain and four year varsity player, pushed the guys hard.

"His work ethic, energy and confidence was contagious," Smith said.

During the two-day tournament the boys scored 637.

Rozwadowski led the team and took second place overall with 149. Joe

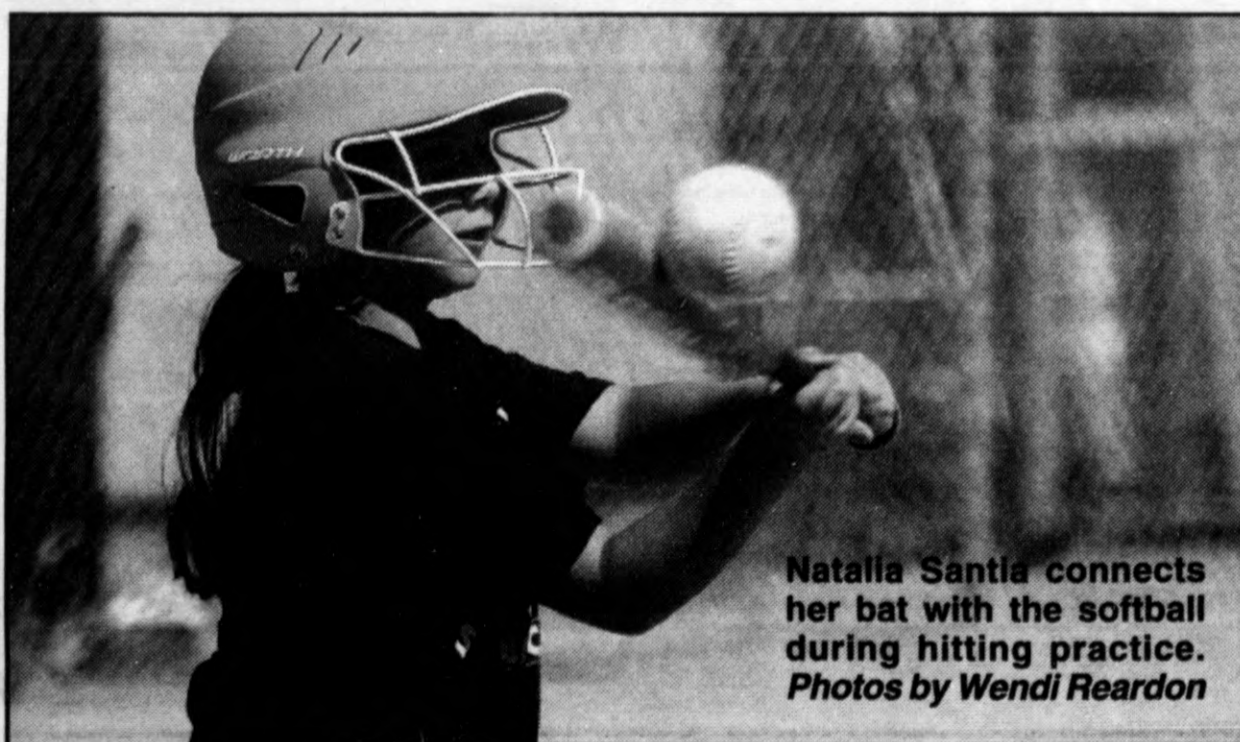
McMahon finished in sixth place with 155. Mitchell Lowney finished with 164; Nick Korns, 169; and JC James, 176.

"It's going to be really hard to do something like that ever again," said Smith. "It was sometimes stressful but exciting to be part of."

For the season, the Mountaineers also won the regional title for the second consecutive year with 333, June 1. They won the Catholic League Central Division going undefeated in the league and also won districts

"For a school that has only 50 or so boys in the high school it was amazing to see how hard they worked to be competitive against much larger schools," Smith said. "It was only possible because they enjoyed each other's company and were having fun. While I say they really worked hard I'm not sure they saw it that way. For them it was a game, and they were all having a ball playing it and couldn't wait to get out there each day and compete."

Smith added the Mountaineers' team  
*Please see Everest on page 11*



Natalia Santia connects her bat with the softball during hitting practice. Photos by Wendi Reardon



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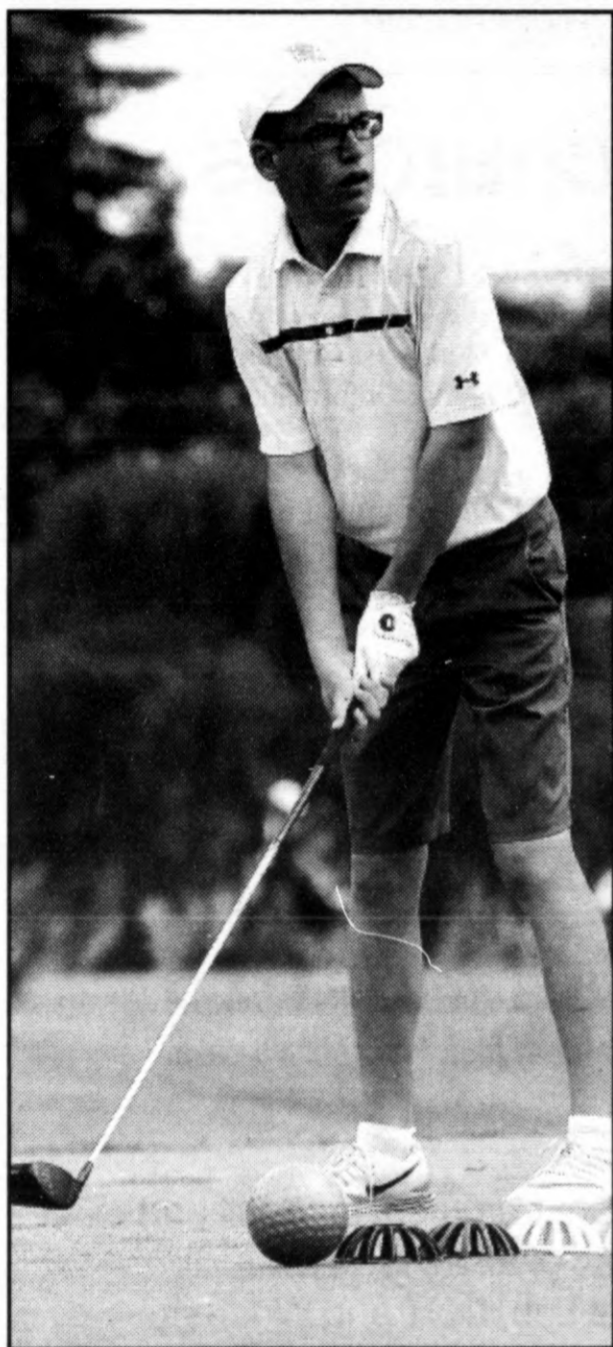
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manager helped in their success.

"She was over the top in making the plans for every match and tournament," he said. "From transportation, to snacks, to drinks, to sandwiches for tournaments and even clothing for rain or snow. I really believe that had a lot to do with our success. I mean when she booked rooms for states in December so we would be close to the golf course allowing the boys the opportunity to practice after their rounds each night it

doesn't get any better than that."

He added the whole season was perfect and with the underclassmen the Mountaineers should be successful for years to come.

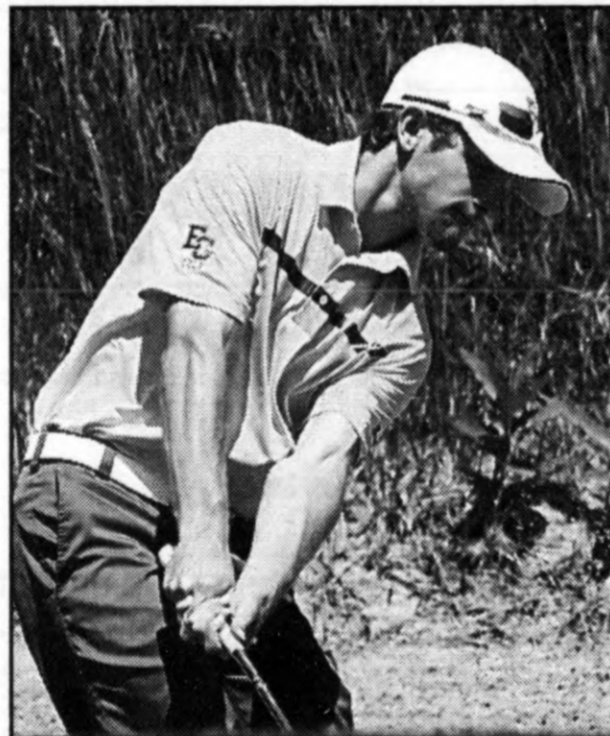
"Being as strong as we were allowed us to put in freshman in most of our matches which allowed them to see what they needed to work on to be competitive," he said. "Their experience should now carry over into future years and allow us to continue being a team that can compete at the state level."



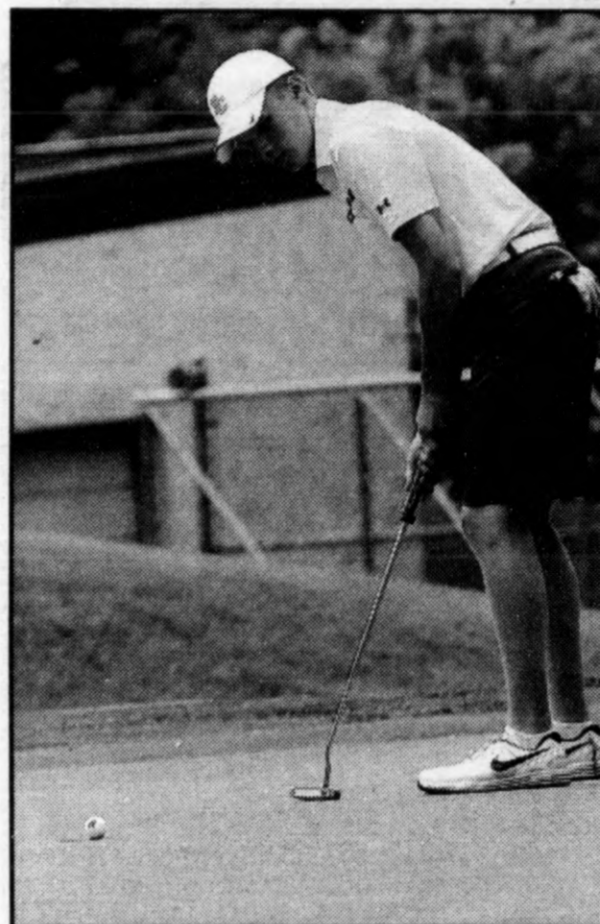
Mitchell Lowney eyes the target as he gets ready to hit.



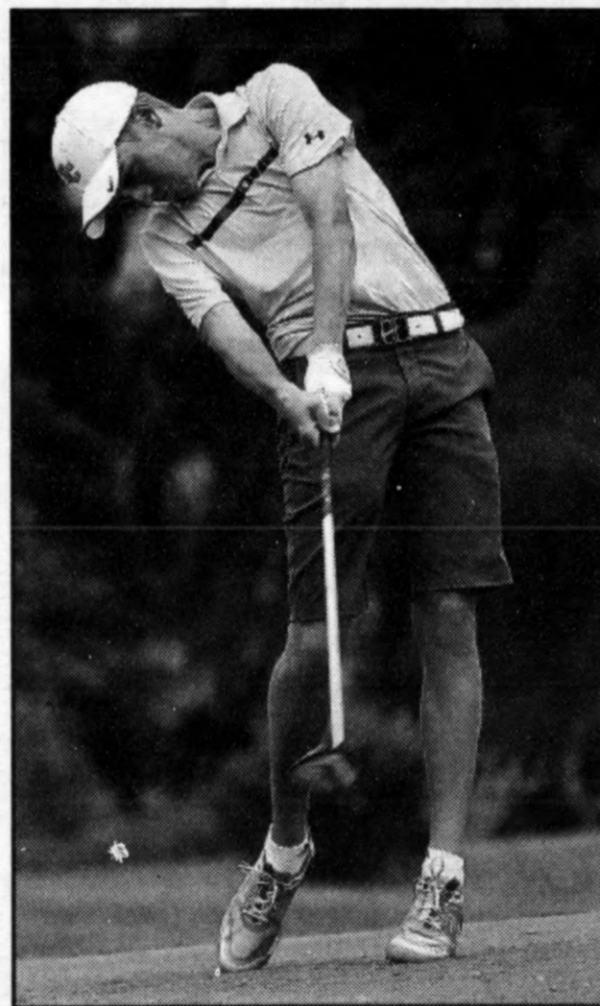
Nick Korn checks the distance on his golf ball.



Tyler Rozwadowski focuses on getting out of the sand. Photos provided



JC James taps the ball towards the hole.



Joe McMahon swings.

## Touchdown for a cure

The Clarkston Wolves gridiron gang trade their blue and gold jerseys for pink and light blue for their Eighth Annual Football for a Cure, their pre-season scrimmage, on Saturday, Aug. 13.

T-shirts and jerseys are currently available. The cost to purchase a commemorative jersey is \$100 and a commemorative name plate is \$50.

T-shirts are available for \$15. Also, visit the online store at [www.footballforcure.com](http://www.footballforcure.com).

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## Sports camps

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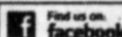
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# Charles L. James, 92

Charles L. James of Clarkston passed away June 30, 2016, at age 92.

He was preceded in death by wife Imogene. He was the father of Susan (David) Phillips; grandfather of Erick (Jennifer) Phillips and Melissa (Mike) Pankey; great grandfather of Jake, Libby, Charlee and Lucy; brother of Paul (Mary) and David (Betty).



Charles was a member of F & AM Masonic

Cedar Lodge #60 and was a 32 Degree Mason in Danville, IL.

He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II and owned and operated Pontiac Overhead Door Company for 15 years.

He loved his beagles and was known in the area for walking his dogs.

Funeral Service Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at 12:30 p.m. at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer Association. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).



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# Clarkston Rotary officers ready for new year

The Clarkston Rotary Club celebrated the year ending on June 30 and the new Rotary year beginning July 1 at their annual President's Night, June 27.

Initiatives by new President Dave Boersma include weekly updates on the club website and social media, two speakers a month, monthly service projects, and monthly club recognition.

"One Rotarian will be selected as Rotarian of the Month and recognized for his or her activities, both in and out of the club," Boersma said.

Fundraisers will include fall and spring wine tastings, Rotary "Good Fellows" newspaper sale in December, Concerts in the Park, Dinner for Donations and the Taste of Clarkson Beer and Wine Tent.

"These events will allow us to continue our Shoes for Kids program, SCAMP picnic, Rotary Youth Exchange sponsorship, RYLA sponsorship, and Shelter Box, to name a few," the new president said.

The Veterans Treatment Court is his Presidential Project, and he will be working with the Friends of the North Oakland County Veterans Treatment Court.

The friends group includes veterans and volunteers assisting the Veterans Treatment Court in helping struggling veterans assimilate back into civilian life by removing obstacles that are preventing the veteran from focusing on a healthy life style.

Clarkston Rotary Club officers also include Vice President John Ransom, Treasurer Jeff Lichty, Secretary Al Avery, and Jeff Reddy, Janet Thomas, Jim Moreen, and Chad Blackstone.



From left are Clarkston Rotary Club officers Jeff Reddy, Janet Thomas, Immediate Past President Joel Delong, Treasurer Jeff Lichty, President Dave Boersma, Vice President John Ransom, Secretary Al Avery, Jim Moreen and Chad Blackstone. Photo provided

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celebrates her water balloon not breaking.



Kiersten Rasche gets low to push the ball closer to the finish line.

## Water dogs

The Bulldogs at Bailey Lake Elementary kept cool during Field Day as they participated in the water games like the water balloon toss, June 10.

They also used water to move plastic balls and to fill empty containers.

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Aaron Wilson shoots water during the game with Mason Koning, Teddy Brown and Justin Jenkins watching.

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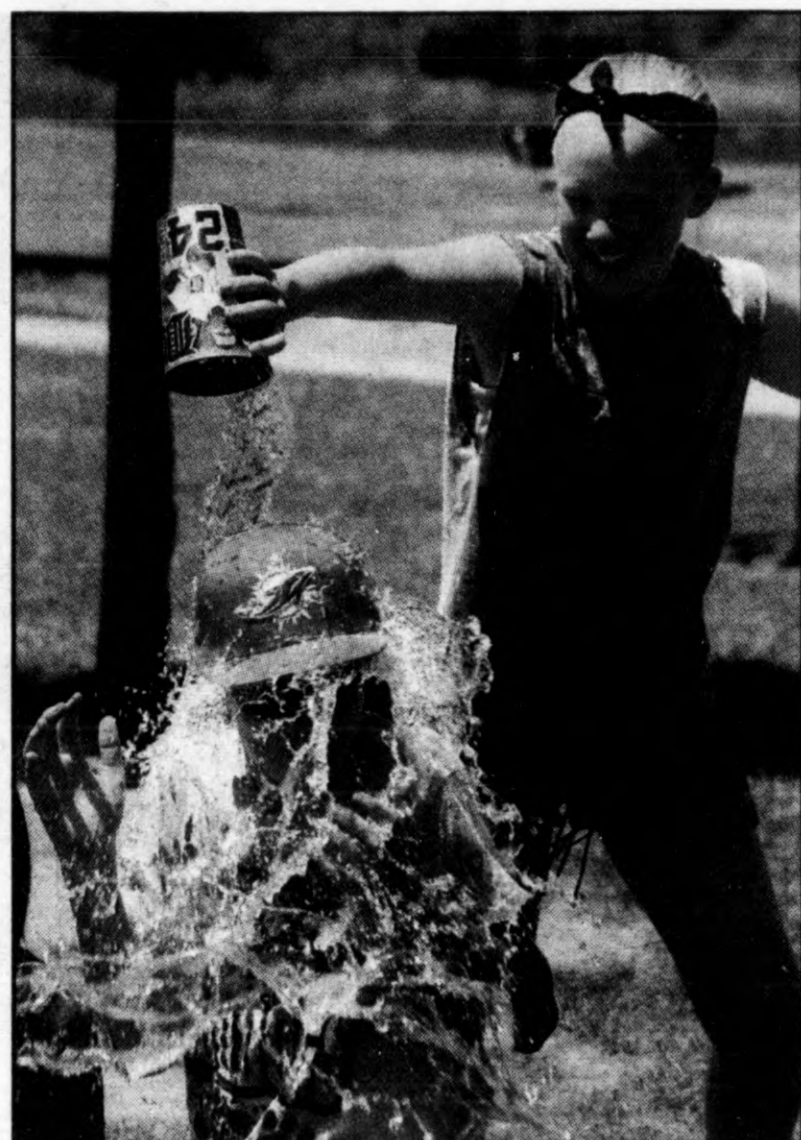
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Samantha Miller jumps on her way back to the starting point in the sack race.



Phoebe Savoie dumps a glass full of water on Jesse Carter during a game.



The water games continue with Rutger Dejaeghere, Lianara Garcia, Danny Redmond, Emily Jackson and Abigail Simon.

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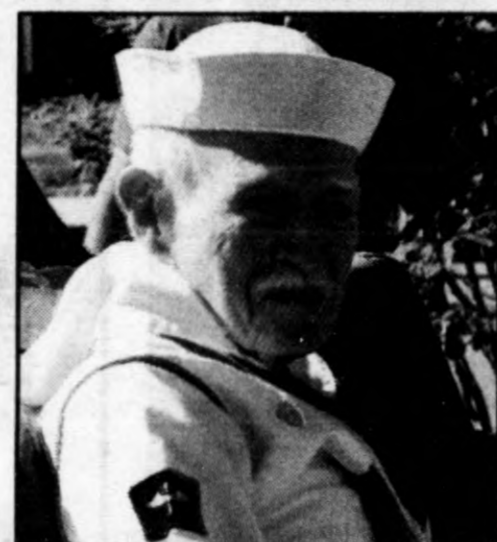
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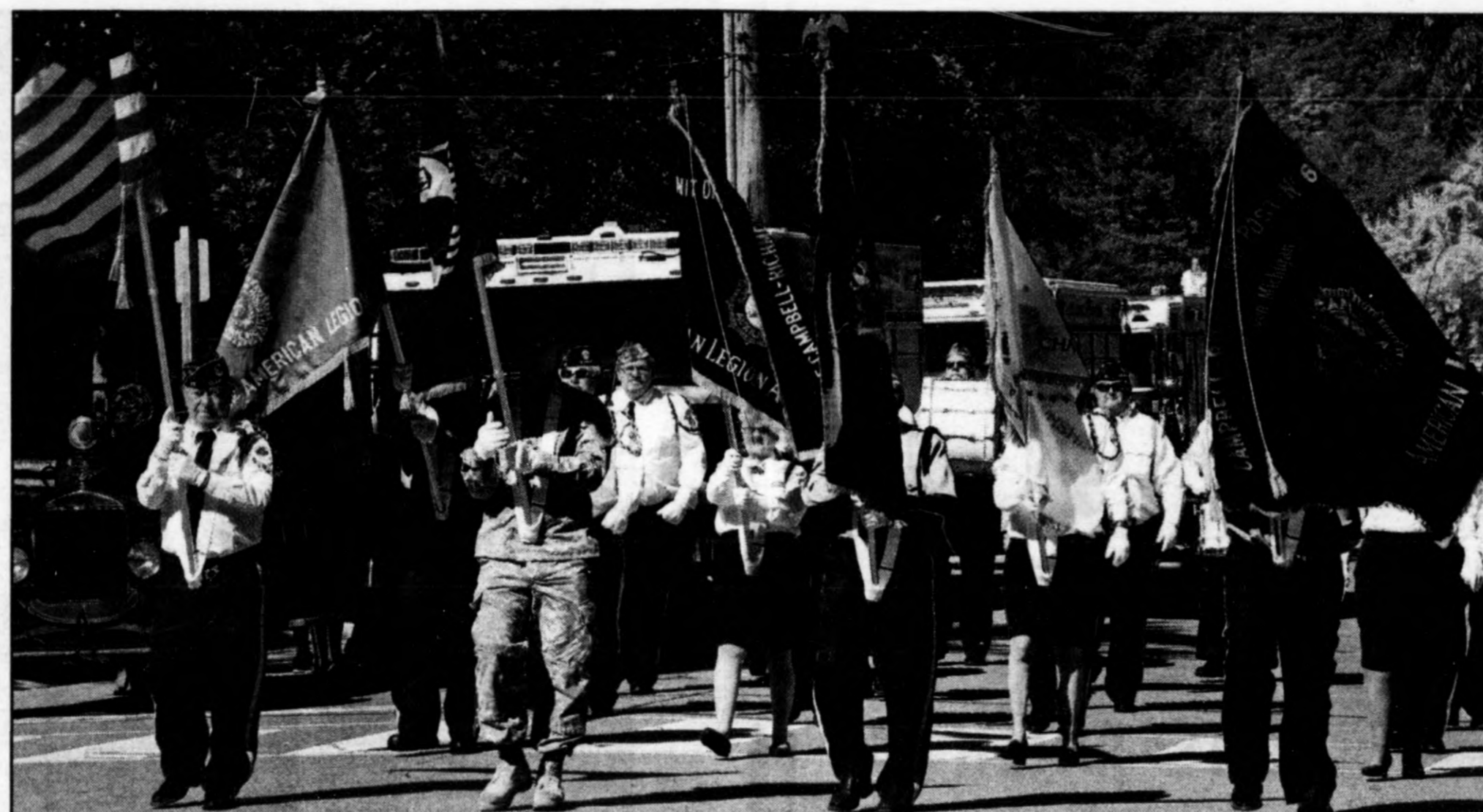




Ruth Wood, World War II vet.



World War II Navy vet Frank Quinlan.



The American Legion Post 63 Honor Guard leads the parade.



John Nichol森, Korean War vet.

# Parade of patriotism

The community honored local the veterans who helped make the Fourth of July special during the parade on Monday.

This year's theme was Land of the Free because of the Brave, with over 80 entries showing their patriotic spirit.

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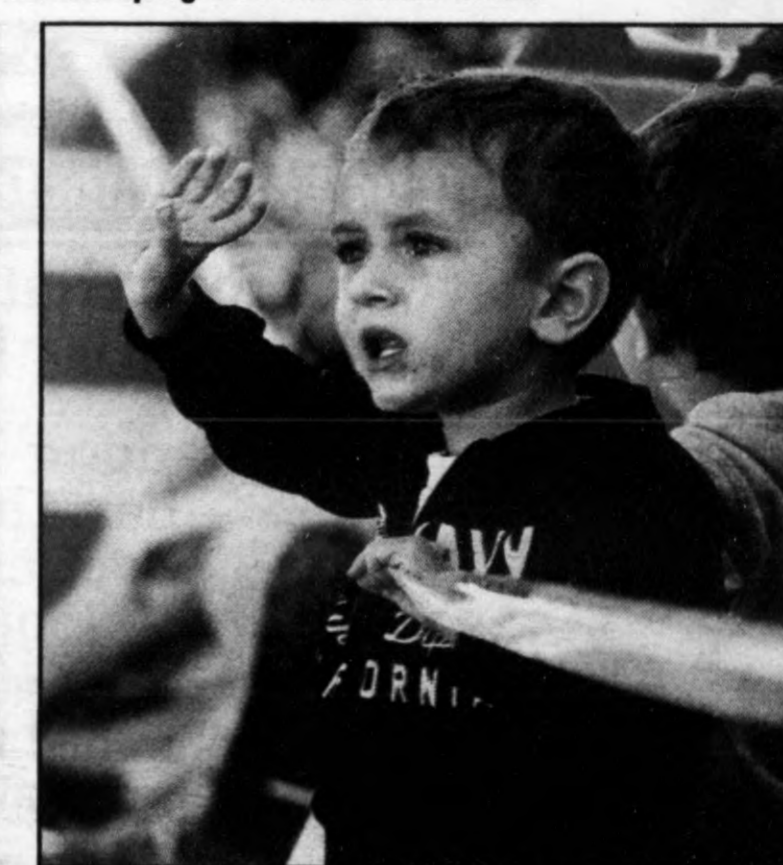
Karen Newman sings the Star-Spangled Banner on Main Street.



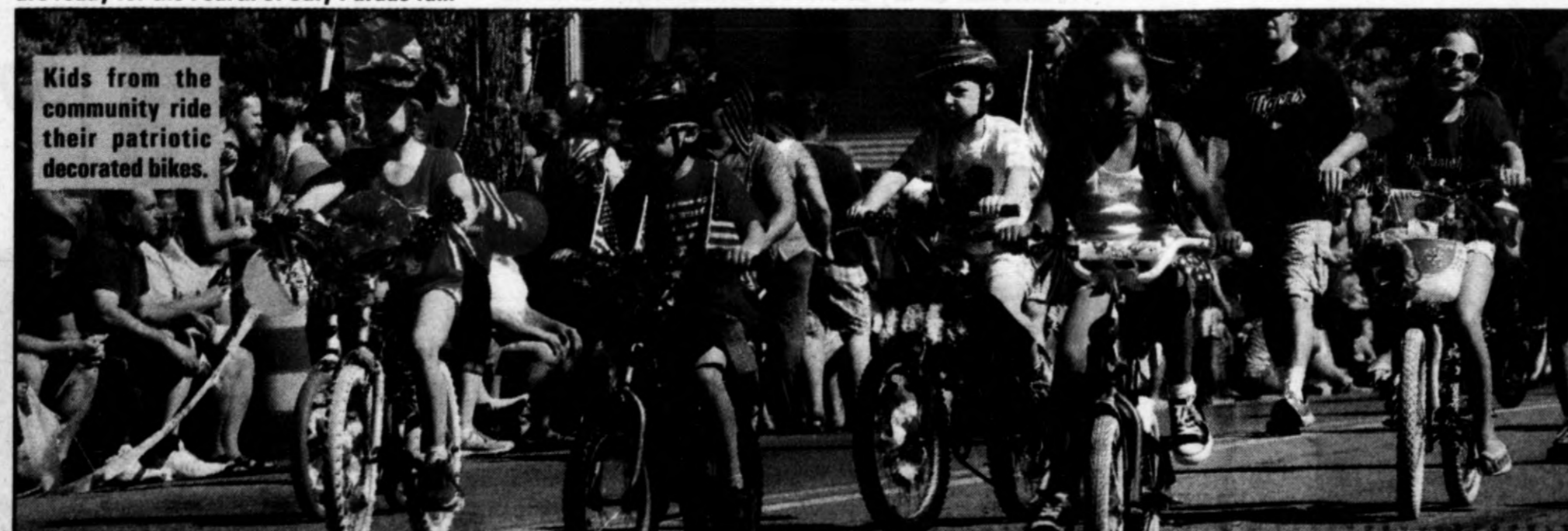
From left, Charley Bousho, Aubree Kinkema, Paige Baumgras and Eva Bousho are ready for the Fourth of July Parade fun.



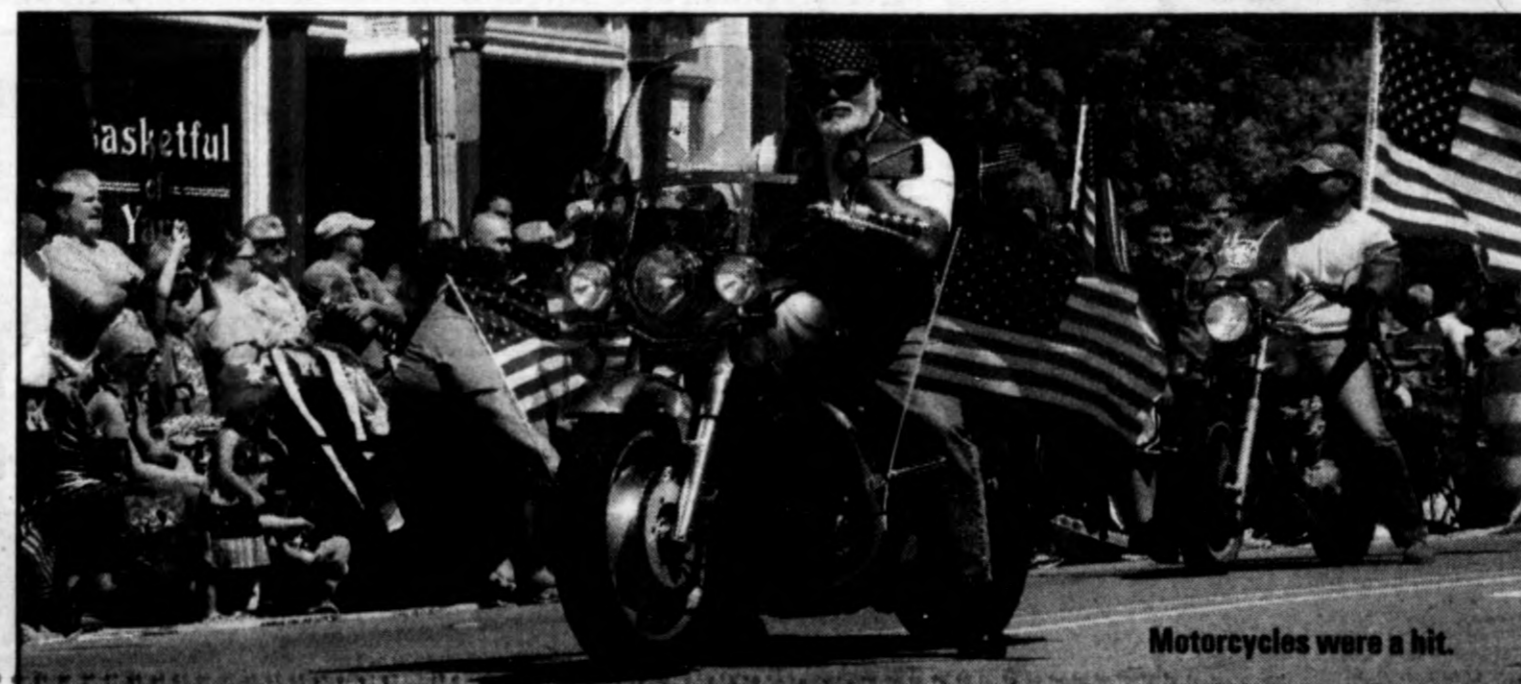
The Clarkston High School Color Guard marches down Main Street with the marching band.



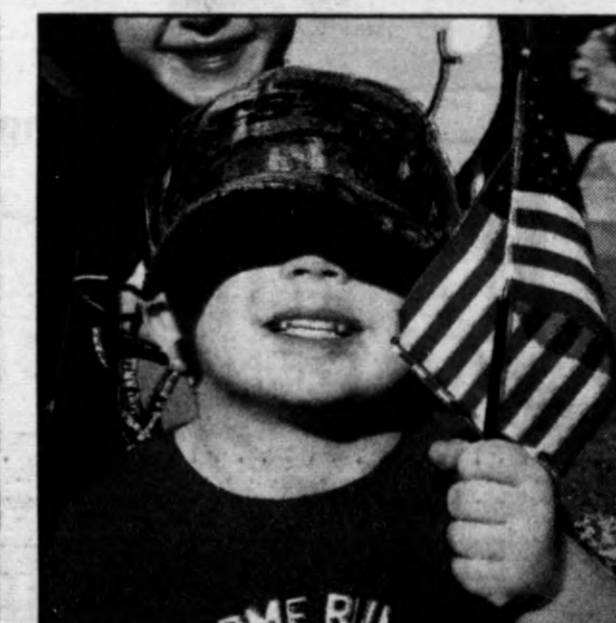
Spencer Yokhana waves to the people (and dogs) in the parade.



Kids from the community ride their patriotic decorated bikes.



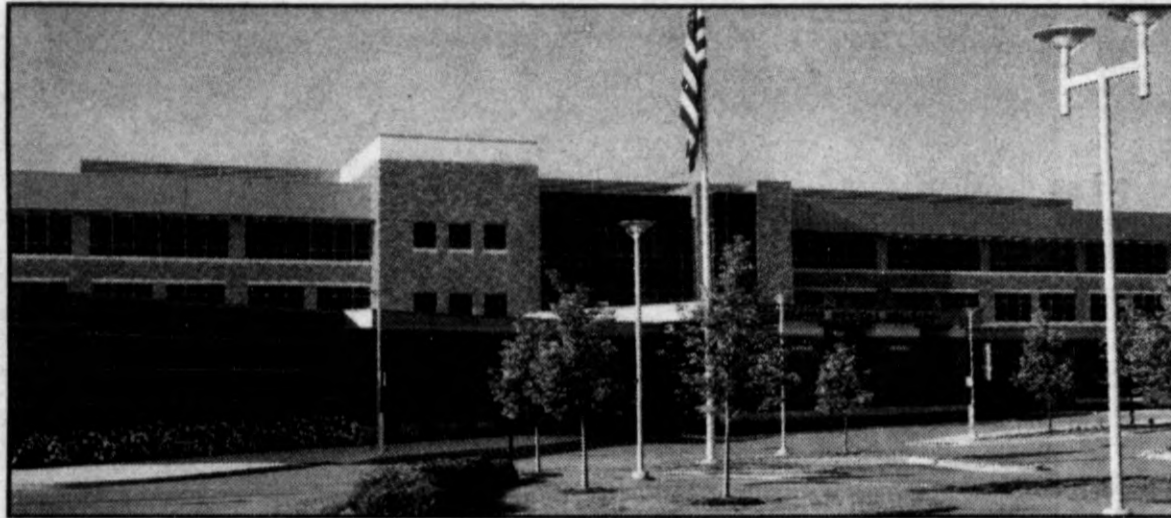
Motorcycles were a hit.



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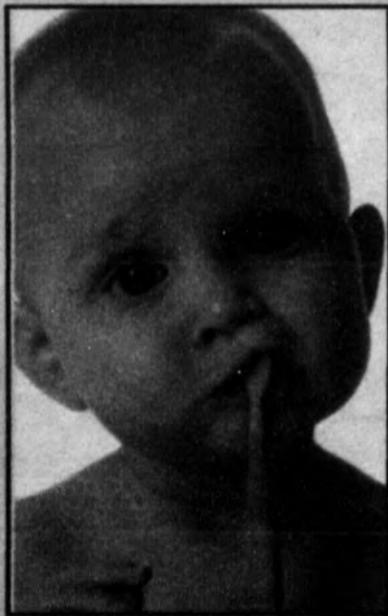
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Rylee Hunt, Lily Spencer and Shelby Millikan pose for pictures.



Madison Caldwell shoots the basketball.

# Picnic on the plains

North Sashabaw Elementary third graders enjoyed a picnic at Sashabaw Plains Park before the school year ended, June 13.

They enjoyed playing basketball, throwing footballs, drawing creations on the sidewalk, competing in tug of war and just having a good time.

See you when school starts Sept. 6!

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Evelyn Chick and Ember Mohrman draw on the sidewalk.



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Brady Wing, top, hula hoops while Addison Wayne, left, and Gabriel Posey, bottom, battle in tug of war.



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# Around Town

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

## Events

**Vietnam Veterans of America** Oakland County Chapter 133 dedicates a map of Vietnam in black granite, 2 p.m., Sunday July 17, at the Oakland County Vietnam Veteran's Memorial on Airport Road north of Highland Road in Waterford Township.

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**Golf for Scholarships**, for Oakland Community College's endowment fund, 8:30 a.m., Aug. 26, Pine Knob Golf Course. Prizes, giveaways, dinner. 248-341-2137.

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**Bucks for Buses**, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 21, Overtyme Grill Taproom and Smokehouse, 4724 Dixie Highway. Diner, dessert. \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. 248-625-8231.

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**50-year-reunion**, Clarkston High School Class of 1966, Saturday, Oct. 1. Call Elaine Keeley Schultz at 248-673-6542.

## Monday

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

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**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.

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

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

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**Outdoor 50+ Pickleball**, Monday through Saturday, 9-11 a.m., Clintonwood Park outdoor courts, 6000 Clarkston Road. 10 punch card, \$18; 20 punch card, \$34. 248-625-8231.

## Tuesday

**Caregiver Support Group**, July 12 at 2 p.m.; July 26, 7 p.m., Senior Community Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Guided by Dr. Thomas K. Stone, former licensed counselor. 248-625-8231.

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**Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group**, July 12, 7 p.m., 6000 Clarkston Rd. Topic: "Why do I feel like my loved one is just on vacation?" Free. 248-625-5231.

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

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

clarkstonband@gmail.com.

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

## Wednesday

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

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**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.

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

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

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

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

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**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.

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

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## 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.



Duran Duran comes to DTE Energy Music Theatre as part of the Paper Gods Tour, July 11. Photo by Stephanie Pistel

## Duran Duran to bring classics, new hits

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Duran Duran is making their stop in Independence Township on their North American leg of their Paper Gods Tour at DTE Energy Music Theatre on Monday.

Drummer Roger Taylor expressed the band has always received incredible responses in Michigan.

"Thanks for being so patient," Taylor said to fans. "We have an audience who has always stuck with us, particularly in America. We have such a loyal audience and an audience who is so patient - to make records could take years. We come back to America and we see a very warm welcome. Thank you for being so patient and loyal."

Taylor added fans can expect a high energy show when they visit Independence Township.

"We put a lot into the shows these days. It's pretty spectacular," he said. "Nick has done a lot of work into the lights and the design of the show. Aesthetically it is pretty exciting."

He added the show also includes 35 years of catalog and fans will not only hear songs from the new album, *Paper Gods*, but also

the classics.

"We play all the hits and all the classics," Taylor said. "You have to respect your audience. It's important to play the record but also what people want to hear."

He explained it can be hard to decide what work from the course of 35 years goes into two hours and there is a lot of discussion.

"We had so much material we had to hone it down. I can be difficult but a great problem to have," Taylor said.

"The new stuff is always exciting because it's almost like you are taking your baby out to play. Songs we spent a lot of time working on in the studio. One of the most exciting things is to get the new songs played to an audience and get back the affirmation is one of the reasons is why we still do it to get that buzz you still get back in that moment. The new songs are going down as well as the classic songs which is always a good sign."

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BY TREVOR KEISER

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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## RUSH races

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The days are narrowing down to the 9th Annual RUSH Regatta at Deer Lake Beach this Saturday.

"I am dreading sinking," said Clarkston High School senior Conor Look about his first Regatta, adding he hopes to super waterproof the cardboard and duct tape boat.

Students from Team RUSH 27 are divided into teams to not only build and race a boat but also collect sponsorships and funds for the upcoming robotics season.

Look with his teammates senior Haley Velisek, junior Dillon Myatt and sophomore Brian Glowski shared why they will win this year as they compete for Wicked Fast Watercraft, Enterprising & Seaworthy Sailors Award, Cash Crusaders Award and the RUSH Cup.

"We have a really good group," said Velisek. "We have some returning kids and new kids who have turned in money so we know how to talk to companies and we know how to get sponsorships. Both of these guys are good at boat building. We have that knowledge. I was on the winning team last year so that helps."

Velisek and Glowski added they are looking forward to Saturday.

"Every regatta is different," said Velisek. "It's a new team every year so it's fun getting to know the people on your team and building a cool boat."

"I am excited," said Glowski. "My friend did it last year and he was telling me about it. I like the whole idea of it - make a boat and race across Deer Lake."

Senior Damon Rothrock with sophomores Lily Craighead, Emily Jeung and Ben Forbush plan they will win on Saturday as the underdog team.

"We have a lot of big sponsors on our list," said Rothrock. "If we can get them to sponsor we will jump up quickly to our goal. Boatwise I have a lot of experience building a boat. I can lead us and teach them how to build a boat for next year."

They added the Medieval theme will also help them when win. While researching they looked at old naval boats and found one like a Viking ship.

"It has the two points on both ends," explained Jeung.

"It can cut through the water," added



From left, Haley Velisek, Brian Glowski, and Conor Look. Not pictured, Dillon Myatt. Photos by Wendi Reardon



From left, Ben Forbush, Damon Rothrock, Lily Craighead and Emily Jeung.

Rothrock. "We are going to build it with curved pieces instead of ridges."

He added he has never built a sinking boat and for his team he is the only one who has built a boat.

"It's a good time for him to prove himself and a good experience for the rest of us," said Jeung.

Both teams invite the community to come see the RUSH Regatta this Saturday.

"It's a really fun event just getting to see

boats sink or float," said Velisek. "It's really cool to see kids and adults get inspired by STEM and learn more about robotics. When I first joined the team I didn't know what I was getting into. I didn't know robotics would be building cardboard boats."

"It's cool to see the work we have done to put forth for us to go to different competitions. They can see how hard we have been working," Jeung added.

The boat parade begins at 12 p.m.



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# Make choice for better payday

In recent times, there has been a revolutionary change in attitude towards morality.

Modern thinking is based upon the premise of evolution. Evolutionists believe that the human brain, being the most advanced, makes us "sophisticated" animals, but animals nevertheless.

They propose that we (as animals with highly developed brains) must accept our position of power in the natural world; however, we must also be responsible for our abilities that give us power over the rest of the world.

Although this secular thinking has a level of morality to it, regarding governance with a concern for our environment and the other creatures; ultimately, there is no higher authority than man.

As it pertains to our morality, we choose for ourselves what is appropriate—as long as we don't violate our responsibility to others. This leaves morality to be an open structure, always evolving with our world.

As long as we can control the impact we have on others, and the natural order, individual expression must not have limits. How dare we think we can impose our morality on someone else?

Although this sounds good to the modern mindset, Proverbs 14:12 reminds us, "There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death." The question we should have with every decision is, "Where will this lead?"

Another scripture that comes to mind is, "...the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Every choice has a payday. Just like in our vocation, our payday is determined by our workweek...our life is dependent on how we live. Every action produces a result; this can have very severe consequences or very powerful blessings. So how can we know the results of our actions ahead of time?

### Will You Let History Be Your Teacher?

History is one of the most valuable tools we have to understand outcomes. I love to study history! I remember learning a long time ago, "If we don't learn from history, it will repeat itself."

On the other hand, if we do learn from history, we can avoid repeating bad choices and commit ourselves to making the right ones. As a pastor, I have worked with people who forever repeat the same mistakes. I am merciful to continue helping people, but my hands are tied when they fail to accept responsibility for their choices.

I have found God is a God of mercy; however, this does not mean He protects us from our choices. This is His gift to us: the freedom to choose. Unfortunately, it is a gift

we love until we have to suffer from the consequences.

Another problem in human history—we think we can avoid the mistakes of the past through technology. T

his can be something as simple as the condom, which we think liberates us from the responsibility of sexual morality. The natural consequences of a lack in moral restraint, unplanned pregnancy, and venereal disease, are no longer a problem.

Now our simple invention eliminates many centuries of unnecessary moral restraint. As an intelligent animal, what more do we need? I believe human history tells us something different. More importantly, I also follow the Scripture, or Word of God: the Bible. The Bible is His story, speaking of God. The scripture is written for our example.

I have often heard it said, "experience is the best teacher," but the Bible says something different. Experience, as a teacher, can give an indelible lesson...unfortunately, because of the scar it leaves with it. The Bible teaches us to learn from others so we can experience their blessings, but also avoid the consequences of bad behavior.

This reminds me of the story in the scripture of the Tower of Babel. In the early chapter of Genesis, we pick up on the plans of men, "Then they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks and bake them thoroughly.' They had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar. And they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.'"

Man decided he didn't need stones anymore. Stones were what God made. The use of stones would limit their plans, but with their invention, they could live independent of God. There would be no restraints to their plans; they would come from their own aspirations. There would be no limits from above; they would reach to heaven, rather than see heaven reach down to earth. God said no to their endeavor.

Do you believe He will have the final word in our day? I believe He will. I do not see any evidence that I can trust man's imagination, but I see immeasurable evidence that I can trust God.

Many of the foundations of man's endeavors are shaky in this day. I see it in the political world, the economic world, and I see it in our present day social agenda. The scripture says God will once again shake the heavens and the earth. This process will cause the removal of things made so the things that cannot be shaken will remain. Can you feel the shaking?

Let's trust in the Lord, lean not on our own understanding, and receive the gift of living according to His ways!

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05 23 2016

Roll Call: Mayor Luginski, Avery, Catallo, Haven, Kneisc, Marsh, Sabol. All Present.

Motion by Sabol, Supported by Marsh for the Approval of the Agenda with the addition of a possible Motion for a signature of support for the speed limit reduction on M 15 between Paramus and Waldon Rd. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Motion by Catallo, Supported by Haven to Accept the Consent Agenda as Presented. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Resolution by Sabol, Supported by Avery to inter into an agreement between the property owners at Waldon and Main and the City regarding the Landscaping, cleaning of rubbish and debris and grade to plant grass seed and mow also the proposed planting of 9 trees.

Roll Call: Marsh, Avery, Sabol, Catallo, Kneisc, Haven, Mayor Luginski. All Yes, Resolution is Adopted.

Julie Meredith gave a presentation on Harwood Institute Community Conversation Project. This project was awarded a grant to encourage the concept of turning outward and gathering public knowledge of a community's aspirations through Community conversations. City Manager, Carol will coordinate a date of a meeting.

Preliminary Budget Presentation by Caitlin Bentoski, City Treasurer. Caitlin went over the General Fund Summary, Major Street, Local Street, Capital Project Fund and Project Fund information.

Motion by Luginski, Supported by Avery to appoint a new 9 person Facility Committee. The people are Karen Eckert, Steve Wylie, Rich Little, David Marsh, Jason Kneisc, Dennis Ritter, Bob Sowles, Paul Zupon and Steve Percival. Thank You for volunteering to be on the committee. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Motion by Haven, Supported by Avery to request MDOT along with Pat Kittle, Dr Rod Rock, Mitch Petterson and Dirk Fineley to reduce the speed limit on Ortonville Rd to 30 mph from the current 40 mph, from Paramus to Waldon Rd. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Motion by Avery, Supported by Marsh to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:25 pm. All Aye, Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Miller City Clerk

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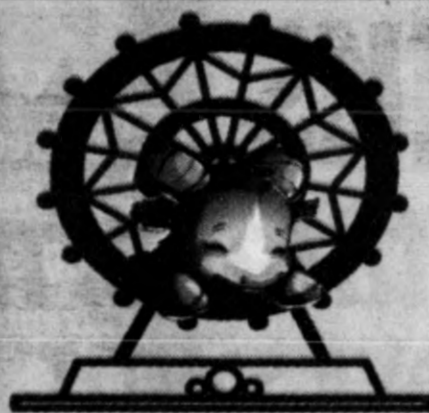
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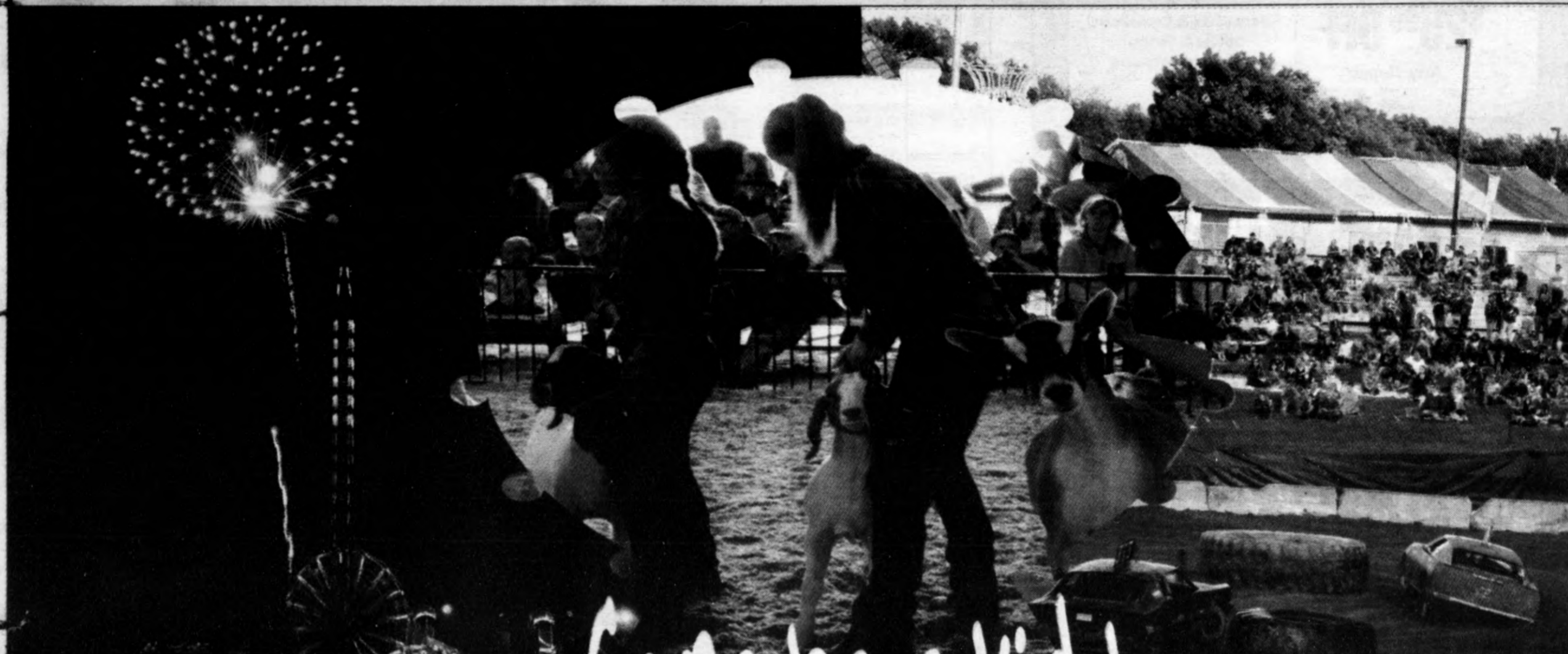




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