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A summer search for bugs for Sophia Marsela and fellow students. See page 25 for more.





School bond could get earlier payoff, officials say

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarksion News Staff Writer

The recently approved \$76 million Clarkston Community Schools bond could be paid off sooner than 30 years, Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan said.

"We didn't want to cloud anything in terms of the election," Ryan explained. "We knew very early on that Clarkston Schools took a very conservative approach to looking at financing these bonds over a period of years."

The bond council evaluated the current bond market and taxable values of this past spring, which weren't included in the proposition, he said.

"Based upon the increased property values in Clarkston this year, we're going to take roughly five years off that initial projection," he added. "So that's five years off the top that we're able to move as we

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Budget increases for fire department

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Rising property tax revenues are expected to boost the Independence Township Fire Department budget by about \$90,000 (1.6 percent of the total budget).

Supervisor Pat Kittle said the fire department will add to its budget reserves, which is estimated to be \$1.612 million in 2017, \$1.623 million in 2018 and \$1.631 million in 2019.

"We're trying to keep that around 20 percent and then anything extra is just going to start flipping into the Capital Improvement Plan," he added.

Labor costs are projected to increase \$114,670, or 2.6 percent; operating/capital cost are projected to decrease \$32,822, 3.7 percent; and operating transfers, \$55,000

increase, 13.8 percent when compared to 2016.

"Our budgeted contribution to fund balance is expected to be \$5,683_ which is \$46,866 or 89.2 percent less than the amended 2016 budget," said Budget Analyst Rick Yeager.

Increases include: property taxes projected to increase approximately \$74,000 or 1.5 percent due to an

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Simon Hunt grabs the ball and runs to avoid the Blue team's block during the Wolves' 8th Annual Football for a Cure last Saturday. See page 10 for story. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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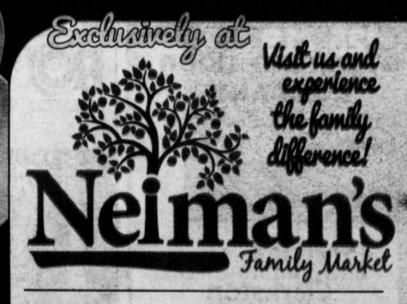
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William R. Finkel, Grand Master of Masons in Michigan, performs the final setting of the cornerstone during the rededication ceremony.



At right, Steven C. Percival from Hiram Lodge No. 819 of the American Canadian Grand Lodge of Germany presents a pin from his lodge to Worshipful Master of Cedar Lodge No. 60, Sean R. Miller, as Grand Master of Masons in Michigan William R. Finkel looks on.

100 years downtown

Cedar Lodge No. 60 Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan celebrated the Centennial Cornerstone Rededication for their Clarkston Masonic Temple at 1 E. Washington, Aug. 13.

The lodge members hosted an outdoor ceremony on Washing-

ton Street as well as a luncheon for guests and the public.

The lodge received its charter on Jan. 13, 1854, and first met above N.B. Smith's general store in the same location. The current temple was built in 1916.

- Phil Custodio



Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, along with state Rep. Jim Tedder and Clarkston Mayor Joe Luginski, help honor the Mason's centennial in downtown Clarkston.

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Police budget includes revenue increases

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Revenue for the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence Township substation is expected to increase by about \$64,000, or 1.3 percent, in 2017. Labor costs are projected to increase by \$1,400, or 2.1 percent, and operating costs/capital outlay approximately \$78,000 or 1.6 percent compared to 2016.

The expenses would be about \$15,000 more than 2016, said Budget Analyst Rick

"If the numbers come in as we anticipate them to come in, the fund balance is going to be about \$1.1 million, which is going to be about \$143,000 over the 20 percent reserve we established," he said.

The reserve is projected to fall to 20 percent in 2018 and dip below in 2019. Trustee David Lohmeier cautioned the board to keep a close eye so they don't dip too far.

"It might be that 15 percent is a better number, I don't know," Lohmeier said. "We could put e study into that. But an't stay in deficit forever. regardless, so there has a some well planning."

If reserves fall too far they would have to lower the number of deputies assigned to the township, or ask for a higher millage

The current millage expires in 2018.

Yeager said tax revenue is projected to increase almost \$58,000, 1.4 percent, due to higher tax values in the township. Charges for services to DTE Energy Music Theater

is projected to increase \$25,000, 10 percent, due to an expected increase of events.

"After talking to Lt. Dirk Feneley, it almost sounds like we have Kid Rock not this year, but next year, and that's going to generate the additional events for that particular year," Yeager said.

Other increases include \$10,000, three percent, in interest and rents, due to more dollars to invest. The market value adjustment is projected to decrease \$2,300 or 39.7 percent.

"This is actually an increase to revenues and is the result of investments getting closer to maturity so there is less chance of large losses," Yeager explained.

Fees to Oakland County are also projected to increase about \$55,000, 1.2 percent. Other increases to the budget when compared to 2016 include Liquor License App Fee, charges to City of the Village of Clarkston, FICA, life Insurance, retirement, workers comp, LT Disability, Charges for Services - Deer Lake, Insurance & Bonds, electric, water, sewer and building maintenance.

Yeager said fines for overweight semitrucks are expected to decrease about \$25,000, 17.9 percent, due to budgeting too optimistically in 2016.

The transfer to general fund for the neighborhood road improvement project isn't changing from 2016 and is expected to be \$50,000.

The program was set up as an incentive for neighborhoods to repave or repair residential roads with reimbursement from the township of 10 percent of the total cost, with a maximum amount not to exceed. \$20,000. The money is generated by weigh master fees.

Assumptions used to prepare this budget included:

 2 percent wage increases in 2017, 2018 and 2019 for all employees

 Hospitalization is based on the new CAP levels (up 2.5 percent from the old levels) plus Dental and Vision. A 10 percent annual increase has been projected for Dental and Vision.

 Life insurance Short and Long Term Disability are expected to increase 5 percent for each year budgeted.

 The contract with Oakland County is projected to increase 1.5 percent in 2017 and increase 2 percent in both 2018 and 2019.

"It's not going to amount to a lot of money," Kittle said. "When we start to see tax revenue relatively flat because of Headlee, even in 1.5 percent increase in total contract expenses, it's not a good long-term strategy."

Clerk Barb Pallotta asked if they are expecting more money from Clarkston Schools for the school liaison deputy.

"That's going to be another strategy we'll be taking. "That's \$30,000 this year I want to take it to \$60,000 next year and \$90,000 the year after that," Kittle said. "Our next expense is about \$200,000 and I think at a minimum the school should be paying 50 percent of it. That's consistent with other communities and I don't think that's too much to ask."

Briefly

City council election

Four seats on Clarkston City Council, including the mayor and three council seats, will be up for election in November.

Steven C. Percival is running unopposed for a two-year term as mayor. Joe Luginski is not running for re-election.

Incumbents Sharron Catallo and Michael G. Sabol are running for reelection to the council. They will face challengers Rick Detkowski, Jr., and Sue Wylie for the three, two-year terms.

Al Avery is not running for re-election to the council.

Council members Eric Haven, Jason Kneisc, and David Marsh's seats will be up for election in 2017.

Deadline to file candidacy for the Nov. 8 election was July 21. Write-in candidates have until Oct. 28 to file. Absentee ballots will be sent out starting Sept. 24.

Cruze for a Cause

The Clarkston A Cappella Program will perform a benefit concert at the Clarkston Junior High School Auditorium at 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 19.

Proceeds will benefit the program and go towards new CD recordings and music videos for the groups.

The concert will feature all three Clarkston A Cappella groups, Detroit Voice, Synergy, and Encore, who will be finishing a week long intensive day camp to get ready for the upcoming school

The camp, led and organized by Clarkston vocal music teacher Brian Haverkate, will also feature instruction by collegiate a cappella singers and directors Chris Brody, OU Gold Vibrations; Olivia Bloomer, CMU On the Rox; and Isaiah Hawkins, MSU State of Fifths.

Additional performers on this concert will be professional men's a cappella

Tickets are general admission, \$10 adults, \$5 students, available at the door or in advance at www.ticketleap.com, search "Clarkston a cappella."

group THUMMp and Avenue A Cappella.

Cruze for a Cause

Bowman Chevrolet, 6750 Dixie Highway, hosts Metro Detroit Chevy Dealers "Cruze in for a Cause," 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 18.

Local firefighters, police officers, and St. Joe's Oakland will offer information and items on child fingerprint and identification, car seat safety, family emergency plans, and distracted driving, as well as free food, fire truck fun, and prizes.

New contract in fire department budget

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increase in tax value, charges for services ALS is projected to increase \$10,000, 1.7 percent, due to an increase in call volume. Interest and rents are projected to increase \$5,300, 14.2 percent, due to slightly higher rates of return on a larger cash balance when compared to a year ago. Full-time wages are projected to increase about \$75,000, or 3.1

"That's primarily due to the contract that was recently negotiated, so there are annual increases in there along with various people that are on the salary steps schedule," Yeager explained. "That's why you're seeing a three percent as apposed to a two percent increase there, because there are people moving up in that step increases."

Also, payroll taxes are projected to increase around \$6,200, three percent, primarily due to the FT wage increase. Health insurance is projected to increase \$5,100 due to increases to the CAP and Dental and Vision, and retirement (MERS) is projected to increase \$36,200, 13.2 percent, due to the 2015-2017 union contribution rate increase

and salary schedule step increases.

Legal fees are projected to increase \$10,000 due to union negotiations in 2017, and transfer to Capital Projects is projected to increase \$55,000 to meet future capital needs.

Workers comp is projected to decrease approximately about \$10,000, based on Fiscal Year 2014 and 2015 results. Long-term disability is also expected to decrease approximately \$6,700 or 31.5 percent.

Contracted computer services are projected to decrease \$5,100, 24.3 percent, due to a one-time purchase of new inspection

Vehicle maintenance is projected to decrease \$10,000, 14.3 percent, due to replacement of equipment. Electricity is projected to decrease by \$5,000, 11.1 percent.

Assumptions used to prepare this budget include full millage approved by the voters on Aug. 2, 2016, 3.5653 mills; 2 percent wage increase in 2017, 2018 and 2019 for all employees; hospitalization is based on the new CAP levels (up 2.5 percent from the old levels) plus Dental and Vision; 10 percent annual increase for Dental and Vision; life insurance, short and long term disability increase 5 percent each year; and continue funding the Capital Improvement Plan.

Trustee Ron Ritchie said he was concerned with the amount of emergency calls made to for-profit businesses.

"We need to come up with some methodology for these for-profit companies operating in our township and more of them scheduled to come, to charge these people burdening our ALS services and charging their residents for that service," Ritchie said

Treasurer Paul Brown told Ritchie the facilities, "pay an enormous amount of taxes."

"Proportionally they certainly get a lot of runs, but proportionally they are some of the largest taxpayers in the township," Brown explained. "In addition to that and I've talked to the chief about it, when those people are picked up from those facilities and taken somewhere we're collecting from the insurance companies for those runs almost 100 percent of the time because they are in those facilities and they have insurance that pays."

Keiser's Role

A column by Trevor Keiser

What is the truth?

Well, now that the Aug. 2 election is over I am ready for November to come so we can get that election over as well.

Not that I am anxious to necessarily vote, but I am ready for the presidential candidates to be the main topic of every conversation. It wouldn't be bad if they

were civil conversations. Almost any conversation I am a part of or overhear it's hostile to some degree and people's blood pressure is rising, faces are turning red and hatred is spewing from the mouth.



To be honest, there is so much information and MISINFORMATION I don't think people really know what the truth is and most are just going to believe what they want to believe.

I'll admit I've not been as invested personally in this presidential election as I have in the past. I have some sources via online I like to draw information and thoughts from.

Having spent the past nine years in journalism field and doing what I do, I'm not able to accept "the truth" so many are shouting. It's usually because the truth they are proclaiming has me asking a whole lot more questions than I am recieving answers. It's because I understand how the journalism world works.

So when someone says I was watching XYZ news station or reading HIJ political news website and it said "So and so said...." I'm usually the first to question the source of the information and the PARTIAL quote they have claimed someone said. (Now I am not denying that person said it, I am just saying that's NOT ALL they said). Usually when I follow up on something with a little research I can usually end up with a bigger picture and fuller story than what's been told to me.

When it comes to the big media outlets, especially in the television world, I'll be honest and say I don't like any of them nor do I trust their reporting, because in my opinion, television news has become a source or entertainment instead of a focus on NEWS and TRUTH. Some of your big newspaper outlets are guilty of spreading misinformation and misquotes as well.

My advice is this: Don't be so quick to run with what you've been told or even read. It's OK to question.



Friends of Depot Park is seeking ideas to improve the downtown Clarkston park, and offering cash awards for ones used. File photo

A call for ideas to enhance Depot Park

Dear Editor,

Nestled in the center of our little village is a jewel we call Depot Park. We who live in Clarkston and surrounding Independence Township are privileged to have this pleasant oasis-like place to visit.

Many communities have nothing to rival it. Though small in size compared to some municipal parks ours commands a significant portion of our village for activities and pleasant retreats.

Year round people flock there to various public events: Art in the Village, Concerts in the Park, Shiver by the River, and Taste of Clarkston. At other times, private events like weddings and photo ops for graduating seniors, more casual strolls of parents with children or teenagers playing Pokémon phone apps in hand. Respondents on the city website score Depot Park 4.5 of 5.0.

Idyllic and serene millpond creek flows gently through the park traversed by two beautiful bridges, duck and goose crossings as well. A paved pathway runs its length from the parking lot in the north, past the children's play area to the lovely new Clark bridge at the south end. The gazebo is the centerpiece with platform for bands and weddings or simply a backdrop for photos.

Cool as our park is we still want to polish this little gem to make it shine even more. Several months ago, Mayor Joe Luginski formed a citizens committee to the City Council to study ways to enhance the park.

This committee, the "Friends of Depot Park," has been meeting and sharing many good ideas. To guide their efforts and explain their purpose they have formulated the following easy to understand mission or purpose statement: "To make qualitative improvements to Depot Park."

To fulfill this mission, we are asking those who love and frequent the park to lend us their thoughts, comments, ideas and suggestions.

Specifically, what features, attributes or equipment, would add uniqueness to Depot Park? What art or music, elements or would complement its beauty? What games, or athletic events would further engage users? What beautiful and safe children's playground equipment might bring smiles to young faces? Where and on what kinds of seats or benches would you like to relax in Depot Park? Well, you get the idea.

We are offering \$100 awards for ideas we implement this year, an opportunity to get involved. So, please, think with us and send your ideas to me at havene@villageof clarkston.org.

Eric Haven, chairman Friends of Depot Park Committee

15 years ago - 2001 "Alternative middle school starts this I" The Clarkston Board of Education

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

fall" The Clarkston Board of Education voted to adopt an alternative middle school program for Clarkston and Sashabaw middle schools to start in the 2001-2002 school year. It passed with a 6-1 vote.

"Romanian visitor finds big differences" Romanian native Daniela Rogojan was in Michigan for five weeks while visiting family and friends in the area including her second cousin Pat Maloney in Clarkston. She shared the differences she noticed between the two countries.

"Spray Masters are number one, again" For the second year in a row, the Spray Masters Water Ski Club took first place at the Michigan Water Ski Association ski tournament.

25 years ago - 1991

"Former Springfield man returns to hero's welcome" Bob Roberts was honored as a hero at a Springfield Township Board meeting. He risked his life earlier in the summer when he pulled two men from a burning car after an accident on Schaffer Road.

"Back to school...almost" Dozens of people toured the building site of Everest Academy during their open house, giving the community a glimpse of the building still under construction which would house classrooms, a library and administrative offices.

"Making Olympics no cakewalk for Morgan" Gary Morgan was world-class 20K walker who had his sights on the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona, Spain. He finished 37th at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, South Korea which was the top finish by an American.

50 years ago - 1966

"Health department forces closing of township dump" The garbage dump shared by Independence, Groveland and Brandon townships was closed voluntarily. The Michigan State Health department cited unsanitary conditions and the dump was in violation of state law.

"Ten boats ready for 'Mac's Regatta"

A sail boat race was planned at Deer Lake after the Labor Day parade. Ten boats were lined up to go down the lake to Whisker's Islands and back to.

"Kenyon on program at Albion football clinic" Clarkston High School Head Football Coach Ralph Kenyon would speak at the fourth annual Albion College football clinic and would review the Clarkston pass offense.

Thanks for column insights on whiners

Dear Editor,

Don Rush's article last week "If You Don't Know...." was so true.

I enjoyed its designation of the "whiners."
When I was clerk (for Independence Township), these people would come in the end of October in an election year and wonder why a

certain person wasn't on the ballot.

Of course, that person was eliminated in the August Primary. Thanks for all you do to keep the community informed (and entertained).

> Joan McCrary Independence Township

Second TV voice in game booth major redundancy

These Jottings first ran on Aug. 16, 2006

Baseball was my game in my growingup years. As a freshman in Owosso High School I pitched three, 5-inning games for the Trojans, allowing a total of five runs, but lost two games.

Next year, I was in Morrice High School where the coach-science teacherlibrarian-counselor "knew" that a tall baseball player had to play first base. A short guy with a big ego pitched. I had half that requirement.

Those were the days when the umpire called pitches from behind the pitcher.

When Hazel and I moved to Gladwin, I tried out for the White Oaks Tavern baseball team, and was doing fine until the college players came home for the summer. Besides, I had to move to St. Johns. Through it all, I was a Detroit Tiger fan.

Jim Fitzgerald, the Lapeer County Press editor who became backpage columnist for the *Detroit Free Press*, was an equally ardent Tiger fan. He invited Hazel and me to join him and his wife Pat at what turned

out to be the final game of the 1984 World Series in Detroit.

It was exciting, of course, but so was escaping the commotion leaving the park-

Jim's

Jottings

a column by

ing lot afterward, especially when some guy jumped on the hood of Jim's car.

There was the World Series victory in 1968. And, before that, were double play heroes, Rogell, Gehringer to Greenberg and pitchers Eldon Auker, Tommy Bridges, Hal Newhouser, etc.

Jim Sherman I was so into baseball and s-o-o naive, that

when they were looking for a new announcer I applied. Ty Tyson's letter said they would probably hire someone with experience.

Then came the way too many years of .500, or less, teams, and interest waned.

Despite all the great announcing of

Ernie Harwell and Paul Carey, it just became too boring to hold my interest.

By 2006 Tiger owner Mike Ilitch had Jim Leyland managing a bunch of unknowns (at least to me) and they were playing great baseball. I'm "into" the Tigers on radio and TV, especially when the summer repeats are stuff I wouldn't watch in the first place.

Through those down years, the Tigers lost exposure on strong radio stations and major Detroit TV stations. I get my radio coverage of games from an Ann Arbor sta-

With all this listening and watching, I've found the color/fill-in announcers to be just as their too-wordy counterparts in foot-

They can't stand to have viewers see what's happening, but must explain what's happened, diagram it and add assumptions.

The absolute worst is when the sidekick talkers tell me what a runner, hitter or player is thinking. In the first place, much of what a player does is instinct, so there may have been no thinking.

And, they say it as fact, not "I think they thought, etc."

Mr. Announcer-guy, I was watching.

I know the hitter was thinking of scratching, not about a high insider. I can make reasons on my own for faults on the field, and I know they aren't facts. These color guys believe dead time on airwaves is a lost opportunity to impress me, and that's not a guess, it's a fact.

So, I go to my obvious option. I punch the mute button. That'll show 'em!

I also listen to more radio reports on the Tigers. Radio, where the unseeing can follow the games ... and, you know what I found?

There is more no-talking time on radio than on viewable TV broadcasts. The announcers give us the complete picture of the games on radio, with a whole lot less elaboration.

Which means the time-fillers aren't needed and definitely not wanted. Radio assumes listeners are semi intelligent, TV doesn't.

GO TIGERS!

Long hot summer and playin' in the rain

I think I spent way too much time online this past Monday morning trying to find out our relatively local seasonal weather statistics

"But why Donald," you are asking, "when you have lived over half of your life expectancy, did you waste your precious time on such a folly? You know, you will never get that time back?"

Thusly I say unto thee, oh Readers of Mine: Weather, like nothing else, touches Don't us all. It is one of the top news stories Rush Me around. Always.

If you do not believe me, I lay down this challenge to you. Tonight when you watch the local broadcast news, time the amount of time devoted to weather versus everything else.

Weather time tops all other news combined. And, this summer's weather has been totally on most folks minds.

It has been a dry, hot summer.

Humid, too. Gosh, it has been so ickily sweaty that I have nary been out in my yard -- only to water the vegetable garden.

Weather came to mind as a column idea, because it actually rained last week! It was Friday, and I was so excited, I peeled off my shirt, shucked my flip flops and "played" in the rain.

It was so cold, so good and washed away my sweat from watering the garden, only minutes before.

I am sure the neighbors were happy to see a half-naked, hairy guy outside in the rain. Oh, well. I kinda felt like a kid again.

We -- my younger sisters and I -- always frolicked in the summer rains: sliding downhill on the wet grass; building dams in the runoffs; splashing through puddles; and basically becoming soggy, muddy messes. It was awesome!

Do kids still play in the rain? My boys (now stinky, lateraged teenagers) used to play in the downpours with me. I wonder if they still want to play in the rain, or do they think it an embarrassing display of frivolity? Do any adults play in the rain these days? When did life's simple, little fun things go away?

I reckon these are all questions only to be answered by and to yourselves.

Believe me, last Friday's foray into the wild wetlands of my back yard revived my wilted senses and refreshed my parched soul. I highly recommend you "play" in the rain during the next downpour that comes our way. You will not regret it!

So, as we have already ascertained, weather was on my brain this week. I wanted to know what kind of a summer season we have experienced thus far. And, here is what I found out by going on a number of websites.

From June 1 through August 15 (76 days), we have had 46 days of 80 degree or hotter weather; 19 of those days were 85 to 89 degrees; four days were in the 90s. I found these numbers by going to AccuWeather.com and looking at the calendars for June, July and August.

For each day the calendars had the actual high and low temperatures and the historic averages.

I went to Intellicast.com and found that in August, the average low and high temperatures for these parts is 59 degrees and 80 degrees. The record low was 40 degrees set in 1986. The record high temperature for August was set two years later, in 1988. We had a 101 degree day. (I actually remember that summer, at the time I was running six miles a day, talk about sweating!)

Rainfall.WeatherDB.com says, for the season, our average summer rainfall is 9.18 inches. I am not sure if they count all of June in the summer season, or just after the first official day of summer, June 20.

I went to the Weather Underground website (WUnderground.com) and, like the above calendars looked at the rain amounts for each day of the last 76 days. So far this summer, as reported from the Oakland County International Airport in Waterford, we have received 5.5 inches of rain. (I hear we may get up to two more inches of rain between tonight and tomorrow -- wooo-hoo, I will have my swimming trunks and beach towel on standby!)

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) says our area is in between an "Abnormally Dry" summer and "Moderate Drought."

I think the late legendary Channel 4 (WDIV) weatherman Sonny Eliot might have called it a Swickily Summer. For my younger peeps out there, Eliot spent about 50 years on the Detroit broadcast airwaves making words up. He was known for describing the weather by combining words to make a hybrid word. An Ickily and Sweaty summer could become Swickily. Or for a "dry and hot" summer, he may have said, it's a "Drot Summer."

Before I go, let me remind you: STAY HYDRATED!



A column by **Don Rush**



MAKING MUSIC: Singers Josh Groban and Sarah McLachlan sing a soulful duet at DTE Energy Music Theater during the Josh Groban: On Stage show, Aug. 13. The performance featured Groban's music theater favorites accompanied by Detroit area orchestra and choir performers, as well as special guests McLachlan and Foy Vance. Photo by Phil Custodio





Surprise!

Monday afternoon drivers of Clarkston Road, near those famous curves around Walters Lake, west of Eston Road were greeted with a surprise. Workers from the Road Commission of Oakland County (RCOC) were milling and getting ready for the filling of about 2,100 feet of pavement. According to RCOC's Cindy Dingell, the project was a late addition to the county's 2016 "Mill and Fill" program. Weather permitting, once the road is milled, within seven days it will be filled with asphalt. Dingell added, the county also plans to bid out a "friction control" component to the project. After the asphalt cures, an epoxy coating will be added. This coating will be finished with a gridding, so vehicle tires can better "grab" the road. The project should be completed by mid-to-late September, Dingell said. She estimated the cost of the project to be around \$300,000. photo by Don Rush



Speeding without license

A 27-year-old Independence Township man was stopped for speeding on Mann Road near Hunters Hill Road, 12:35 p.m., Aug. 5. He was cited for driving with a suspended license, and given warnings for speeding and no proof of insurance.

Credit theft

An Independence Township woman's credit card was used to purchase \$508.03 at a toy store and a restaurant in West Branch, Aug. 6. She had last used the card at a restaurant in Auburn Hills.

Stolen truck

An Independence Township resident called the Oakland County Sheriff's Office to report a stolen truck in her driveway, 2:10 a.m., Aug. 9. Her boyfriend, a 29-year-old Independence Township resident, had parked it there earlier. The complainant said the truck belonged to the man's mother, who reported it stolen. He was found passed out in the shower. He said he had been using heroin, and agreed to be taken to the hospital with Independence Township paramedics.

Computer found

A parking lot sweeper truck driver was cleaning the DTE Music Theater lot when he found two bags in the roadway, 11:51 p.m., Aug. 9. The bags contained clothing and a tablet computer. DTE said nothing was reported stolen. The items were taken into safekeeping until claimed by the owner.

Destroyed mailboxes

Someone destroyed a mailbox in the 8000 block of Fawn Valley Drive, Aug. 9. The mailbox appeared to have been hit with some type of object. The victim said it was the third mailbox in the neighborhood to be destroyed within the past week.

Public Safety For Clarkston and Independence Township

Murder charge

Michael O. Murphy, 68, was charged with first-degree murder, felony firearm and disinterment and mutilation of a dead body for the death of 31-year-old Daniel Parks of Clarkston. A preliminary exam was Aug. 10. Parks' body was discovered April 5 in a shed near Murphy's home at Davison East Mobile Home Park in Davison Township.

Parks' mother Tammy Parks filed a missing person report about her son in March. Police were told that Parks, who was a heroin addict, had a girlfriend in Clarkston. Officers found Parks after receiving a call about a dead body in a shed. Murphy faces life in prison without parole if convicted. Preliminary exam is scheduled to continue Sept. 7.

Seller scammed

An Independence Township man had a kitchen table set up for sale on Craig's List for \$300, and received an offer. The buyer said he would send a check for \$1,950, the seller would keep \$350 for the table and shipping, then send the remaining \$1,600 to a woman in Tennessee via money gram. The seller received the check, took it to the bank, which verified and cashed it, and sent the \$1,600. A week later on Aug. 10, the bank contacted him and said the check was fraudulent, and charged him the full \$1,950.

Theft from restaurant

Someone took four seat cushions and an umbrella from a restaurant in the 7000 block of Ortonville Road, Aug. 9.

IRS fraud

A Davisburg woman called back after receiving a phone message from someone saying they were IRS and she was delinquent on her taxes, Aug. 11. She complied with instructions to send \$5,000 in iTune cards, and an additional \$10,000 Bitcoin purchase. Due to the large amount of suspicious activity, her bank called and asked her to come to the bank immediately. The account was cancelled but she was out \$15,000. The number she responded to was searched via White Pages and a fraud warning was displayed.

Drunk driving

A driver called police after watching a car weave back and forth on Clarkston Road near Joslyn, causing other vehicles to swerve out of the way. A deputy found the vehicle in a parking lot on Clarkston Road at Eston, where it had struck several other vehicles in the lot, 6:08 p.m., Aug. 11. The driver, a 68year-old Oxford woman, smelled of alcohol. She refused to exit her vehicle and had to be removed by deputies. She was unsteady on her feet. She refused a preliminary breath test and was taken to McLaren Clarkston, where she was given a blood test after a search warrant was completed and signed. She was jailed for drunk driving.

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Wolves fight cancer

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

A rainbow appeared low in the sky as Clarkston's gridiron heroes played in their 8th Annual Football for a Cure.

Though they were playing against each other during the scrimmage they were fighting as one against cancer as they raised money for McLaren Breast Cancer and Karmanos Cancer Institute, 5701 Bow Pointe Drive.

During halftime former gridiron hero David Fulcher shared his fight when he was diagnosed with Stage 3A Esophageal Cancer and the treatment he received at McLaren.

"McLaren was a sense of comfort," he said, adding the nurses were angels. "I hope everyone can get the treatment I had. The reality is not everyone can afford it. Donations go to resources patients need."

Mary Ruhlman explained the donations go towards transportation, nutritional supplements like Ensure and Boost, gas and food gift cards, art therapy and hand massages.

"No one fights alone," Fulcher said. "Donations make a difference. I am honored to be here tonight and be part of the community."

For the Wolves' battle, the Blue team prevailed as the winner with a 10-3 victory.

five minutes of the first half. The Pink team was on the 31-yard line with only three yards to go and one attempt.

Senior kicker Zach Mansour stepped onto the field and got ready for a 47-yard field goal. His kick made it through the posts and put Pink on the board, 3-0.

The Blue team tied the score with 2:07 left in the third quarter with their own field goal when junior Jermaine Roemer's 49-yard kick made it to it's mark.

During the fourth quarter the Blue team took possession on their own 25-yard line with ten minutes remaining in the game.

Juniors Josh Cantu and Roman Santos brought the Blue team into Pink's territory and closer to the endzone.

A pass from senior J.T. King to Cantu put the boys on the 25-yard line. They gained three more yards on a pass from junior Syd Seng to Santos.

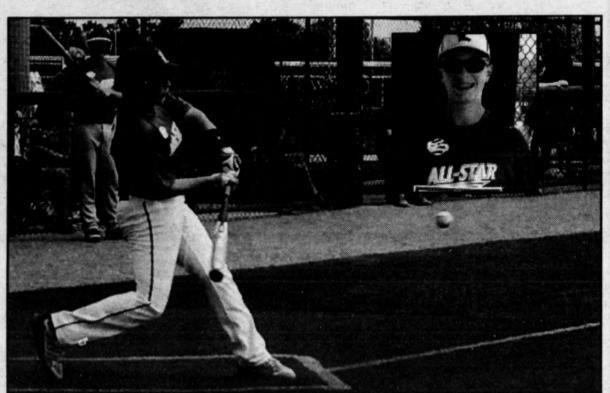
On the next play Santos ran the remaining yards for a touchdown with 8:07 left in the

The Wolves host their scrimmage on Thursday with Grand Blanc, Cass Tech and Orchard Lake St. Mary's at Clarkston High School. The freshman team plays at 12 p.m.; JV plays at 2 p.m.; and varsity plays at 4:30 p.m. The format includes 20-minute kicking game and 20-minute play controlled scrimmage.



Max Brennan, playing for Katherine Brennan, tackles Zach Scott, playing for Ashley/Bell. Photo by Wendi Reardon

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Michael Bednarczyk swings at a pitch during the All-Star Weekend in Milwaulkee, Wisconsin. Photo provided

Home run swinger

Michael Bednarczyk showed off his skills during the All-Star Weekend for Game Day USA in Milwaukee, Wisc., August 6-7.

One of the highlights for Bednarczyk during the event was a 350-foot homerun over the left center field wall. It was one of two hit during the entire weekend.

Bednarczyk batted .300 with an on-base percentage of almost .400.

The Milwaukee All-Star event featured standout youth baseball players from around the Midwest, including Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Indiana, who received MVP awards during USSSA tournaments this summer.

The two days consisted of team competition between all players in each age category as well as a skills competition.

It also featured an All-Star

Competition, individual performance evaluations and Demarini Skills Competition and Home Run Derby.

Bednarczyk is a member of LCB Legends Baseball 14U team and currently plays first base, catcher and third base.

He was invited to the All-Star Weekend after he received two special MVP awards during a USSSA-sanctioned tournament in Grand Rapids in June.

He was given the MVP awards by the. opposing team's coaches after he showed exceptional defense for the two games and had multiple hit and multiple RBI games.

His parents, Mathew and Laurie Bednarczyk noted the All-Star Weekend and MVP recognition was the result of a lot of hard work and practice this year. His big dream is to play in the major leagues someday.

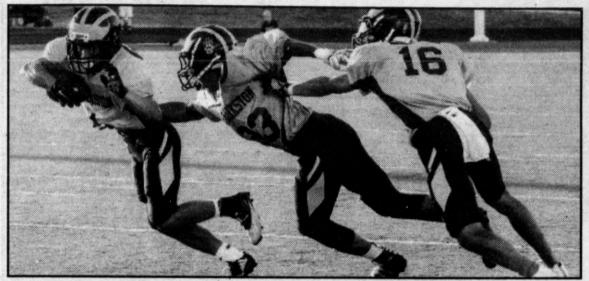


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From left, Connor Donahue tries to outrun Teiler Houston with backup from his teammate Tyler Retford. Photo by Larry Wright

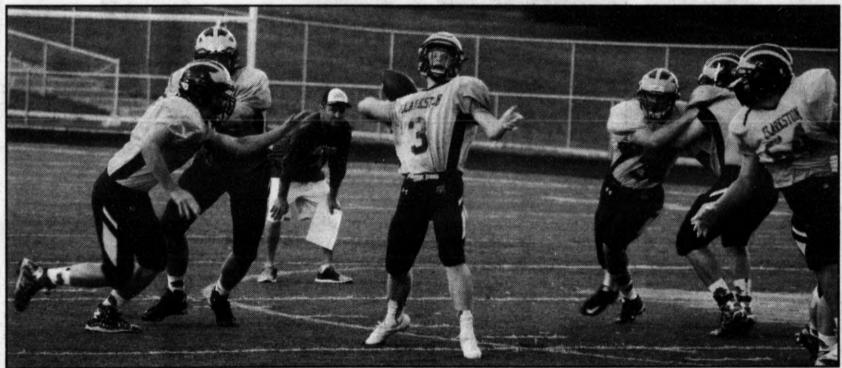




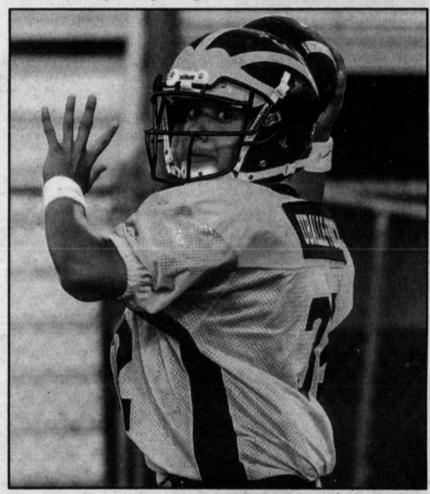
Josh Cantu puts Pink on the chase. Photo by Larry Wright

Go Blue! Go Pink!

The Wolves' Blue team won the scrimmage during the annual Football for a Cure last Saturday over the Pink team, 10-3.



J.T. King aims for his target as Pink's defense closes in. Photo by Wendi Reardon



Nate Uballe passes the ball. Photo by Larry Wright

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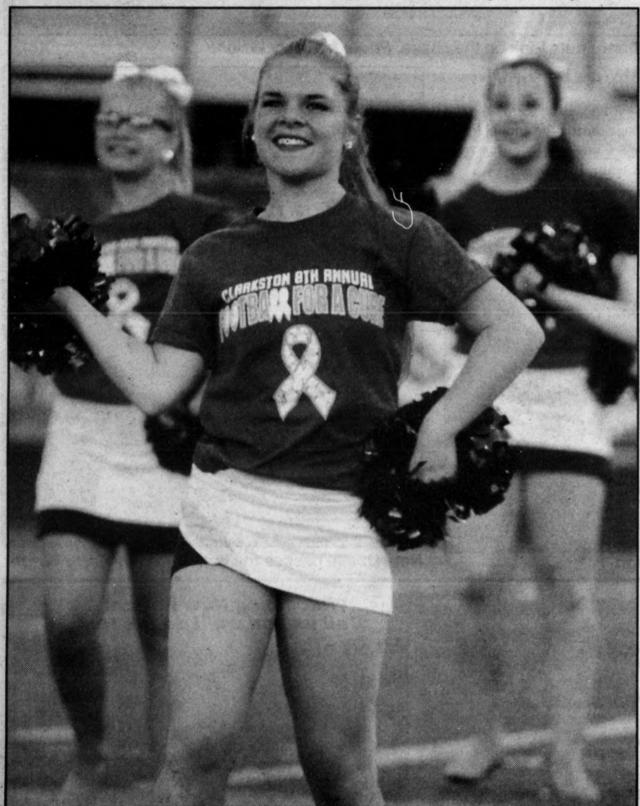
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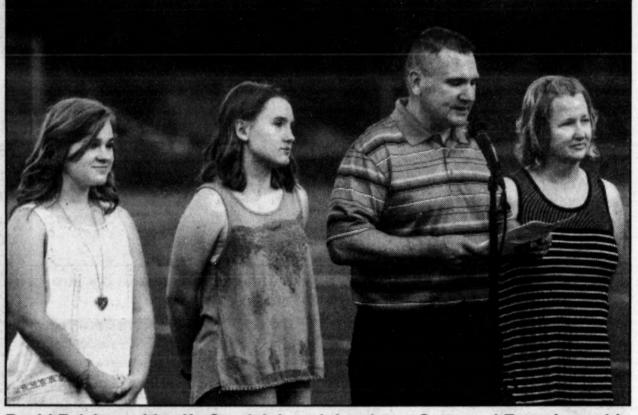
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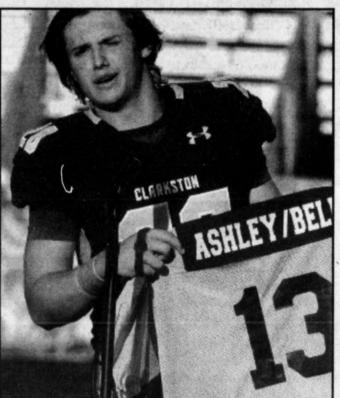
Allie Layson and the rest of the Clarkston Varsity Dance team perform their routine for the audience at Football for a Cure on Saturday. Photo by WAR



Kristen Cummings joins the fight against cancer with her teammates as they dance half-time away at Clarkston High School. The Lady Wolves recently finished a week-long camp at Oakland University and can be seen at every home varsity football game during the season as they perform at half-time. Photo by Wendi Reardon



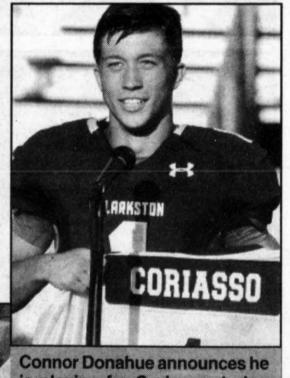
David Fulcher, with wife Caroleigh and daughters Greta and Eve, shares his story with cancer and undergoing treatment at McLaren. Photo by Larry Wright



Junior Zach Scott proudly announces he is playing for Ashley/Bell. Photo by WAR

Community spirit

The community joined together to fight cancer at Football for a Cure as they raised money for McLaren Breast Center and Karmanos Cancer Institute.



Connor Donahue announces he is playing for Coriasso during the game. Photo by WAR



The community comes out to support family, friends, neighbors and the Wolves during Football for a Cure. Photo by Larry Wright

\$426,000 water grant OK'd

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After months of back and forth, Independence Township and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) settled on a price tag for a new water pipeline to be installed on Maple Drive.

The Independence Township Board of Trustees voted 6-0 to accept the \$426,650 state grant at the Aug. 9 regular board meeting.

Getting to the number was no easy task, according to Supervisor Pat Kittle. The township received a letter in March from the



Kittle

approved for a water main pipeline along Maple Drive allowing for connection for eight residents whose wells had been contaminated by the release of petroleum from the Clark gas station on Dixie Highway.

MDEQ telling them

they had been

The letter requested the township provide the state with a budget.

Originally township's engineers HRC (Hubbell, Roth, and Clark) estimated \$550,000, but the state said it was too high.

"New plans were created, leveraging directional boring technology with a poly based water main priced at \$350,000. The state also denied this plan," Kittle said. "The state finally came back with hard specifications requiring a coated ductile iron water main with special non-porous gaskets. A new HRC cost estimate meeting these new specifications of \$426,650 was submitted."

The township received word in a May 18 memo from MDEQ, the \$426,650 budget was approved. They were told it had to be completed by the end of the September, otherwise they could lose their funding, so he gave the OK to his team to "damn the torpedos and run full speed ahead," Kittle

He received the grant from the MDEQ on July 27, which included open start and end balance, Kittle said.

dates. Kittle said he was planning on using March as a start date because that's when he gave his engineers the go-ahead.

However, MDEQ told Kittle the start date was when they co-signed the grant. Therefore, the township will not get reimbursed for the \$40,000 it's already spent in engineering services, the supervisor said.

Kittle said he's not happy about that, but is glad the state approved the water main project.

"While I get short (fused) sometimes," he said. "I am extremely grateful for the professionalism and concern of our Michigan Environmental Quality Department and everything they're doing to help the fine residents of Independence Township."

Eight houses tested positive for gasoline additive Methyl Tertiary-Butyl Ether (MTBE), so the state will pay the complete cost for the those homes to be hooked up to the new pipeline.

"They will pay for the watermain, gate valve, the gate valve to the house meter, from the meter to the inside plumbing and then capping the old private well, so it's not used again," Kittle said.

Because the MTBE plume is continuing to move, a ninth house on Maple Drive is now in question.

"We're retesting the numbers of the ninth house to see if it was a false positive or if we really have a problem," Kittle said.

The 17 other houses on the block will have access to the water main and a gate valve in front of their house, paid for by the state, but hooking up to that gate valve will cost them.

"If they want to connect after that, it will be the homeowner's responsibility and we have amended our ordinances so they can amortize the cost over 10 years if they so wish," he added. "Most of them will just pay cash, but there are a few hardships. We understand and try to accommodate them the best we can to encourage them to get off the private wells."

If residents choose not to hook up to the water main at this time and their wells become contaminated, the state will pay the full cost for hookup and capping of their wells as they are doing for the current eight contaminated

The \$40,000 will come from the Water Fund

Wolves' Rush for Food this Saturday

The Clarkston News is a collection spot for the 19th Annual Rush for Food. Non-perishable donations are accepted until this Friday.

Every year the gridiron heroes visit Rush For Food, which will take place this Saturday from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Freshman, JV and Varsity Clarkston football team members collect non-perishable food in local neighborhoods and drop-off locations. They will also spend the day

stocking the pantry at the Lighthouse Emergency Services, Clarkston. The goal is to collect 7,500 pounds of food.

Ways to help include: dropping off your donations directly to the Lighthouse, 6330 Sashabaw Rd, Clarkston, from 12-1:30 p.m. on Saturday labeled "Rush for Food"; or leave bags on porches of homes in neighborhoods the football players will be

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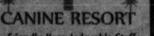
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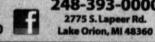
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The boys explain why they are "Painting the Roses Red."

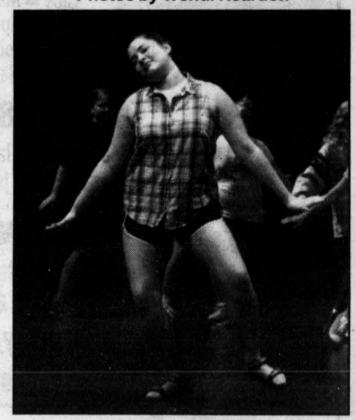
Taking the stage

The dancers ended the song and took their positions to run it one more time as young actors took over the stage last week at Clarkston High School, for Musical Theatre Camp.

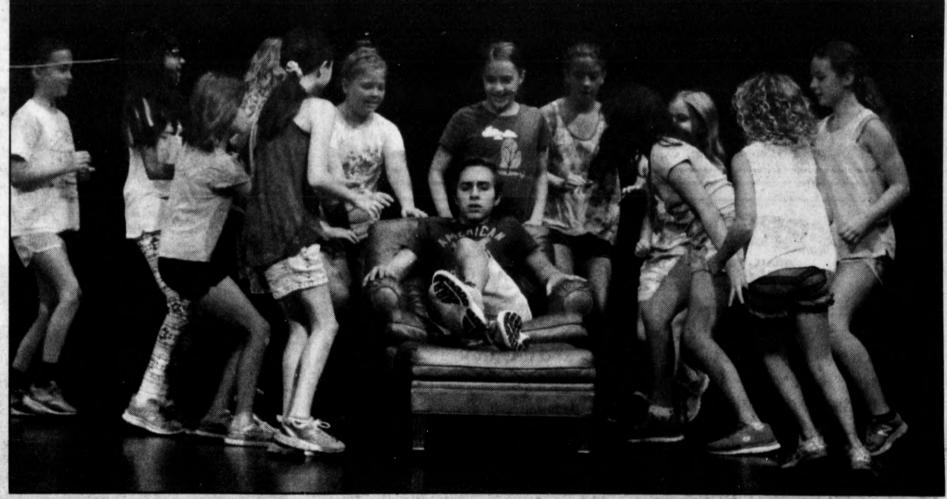
Throughout the four days they learned voice and movement, played theatre games, and learned choreography to Broadway songs. A few songs they learned included "Painting the Roses Red" from Disney's Alice in Wonderland and "Welcome to the 60s" from Hairspray.

They also learned tips from the high school's Drama Club students including spacing and timing. They ended the camp last Thursday with a performance for their parents and family. The camp was offered through Clarkston Community Education.

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Sam Carter leads the dancers.



Performers dance to Hairspray's "Welcome to the 60s."



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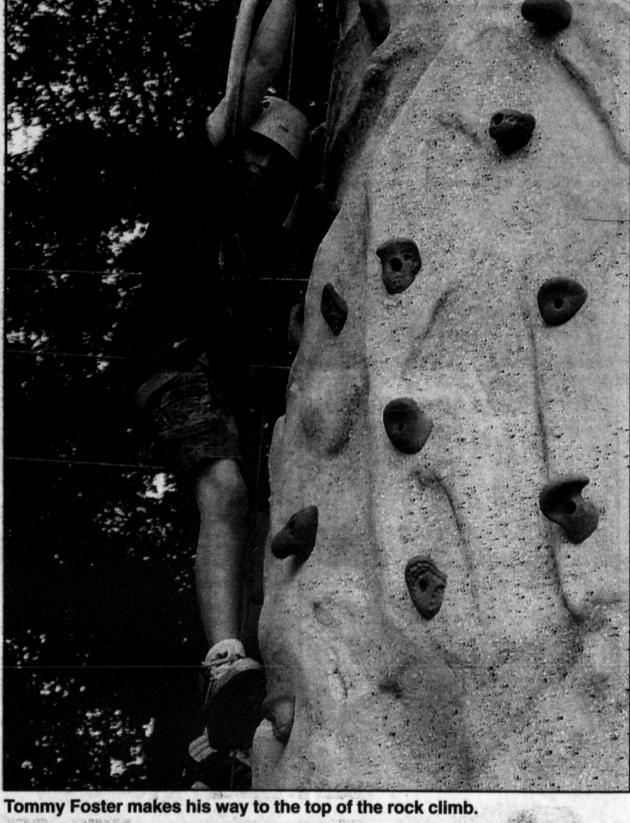
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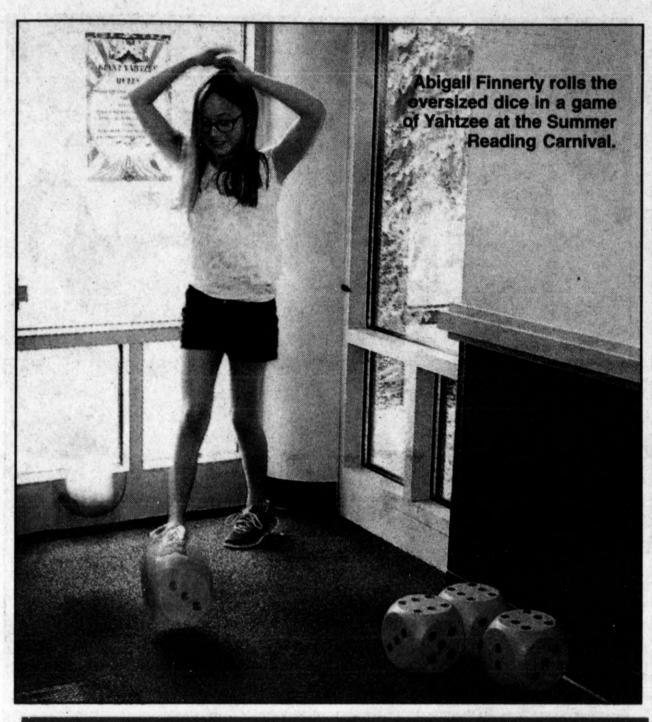
McKenna Pushman tries out the ring toss.

Game of books

Kids celebrated the end of Summer Reading with a carnival at the Clarkston Independence District Library, Aug. 13.

They played games for books and other prizes, enjoyed some icy treats, and put their rock climbing skills to the test at the climbing wall, provided by Oakland County Parks.

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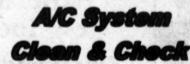


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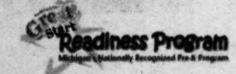
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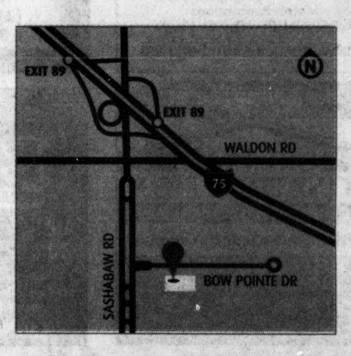
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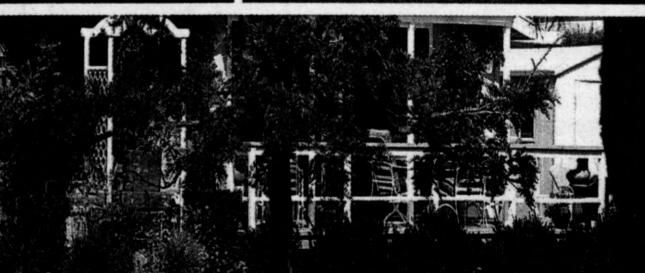
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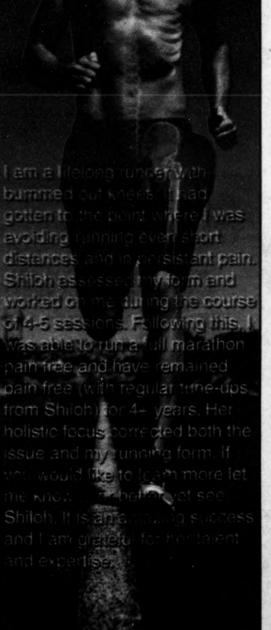


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Troop 192 Boy Scouts Brandon C. Graham, Dawson L. Holloway, and Isaac J. Ekstrom take the Eagle Charge and Promise, with Scoutmaster Lee Ekstrom, at their Eagle Scout Court of Honor, Aug. 13. *Photos by Phil Custodio*

Eagle Scouts honored

Boy Scout Troop 192 celebrated the achievements of new Eagle Scouts Isaac J. Ekstrom, Brandon C. Graham, and Dawson L. Holloway at their Court of Honor, Aug. 13, at North Oaks Community Church.

Ekstrom's Eagle Project included clearing invasive weeds from the Springfield Library pond.

"Scouting has been quite an experience for me – it's helped me grow a lot," he said.

Graham, who cleared invasive species from a walking path behind the library for his

Eagle project, said he had a great time in scouting.

"It's all meant a lot," he said. "It's taught me invaluable lessons I'll apply to the next chapter of my life."

Holloway created a series of demonstration videos for YouTube about low salt cooking for diabetes and other issues, for his project.

"I've gained a lot of friendships," the Eagle Scout said. "It's been a very rewarding journey. I've enjoyed every step along the way."



The new Eagle Scouts' parents present their sons with badges and plaques.

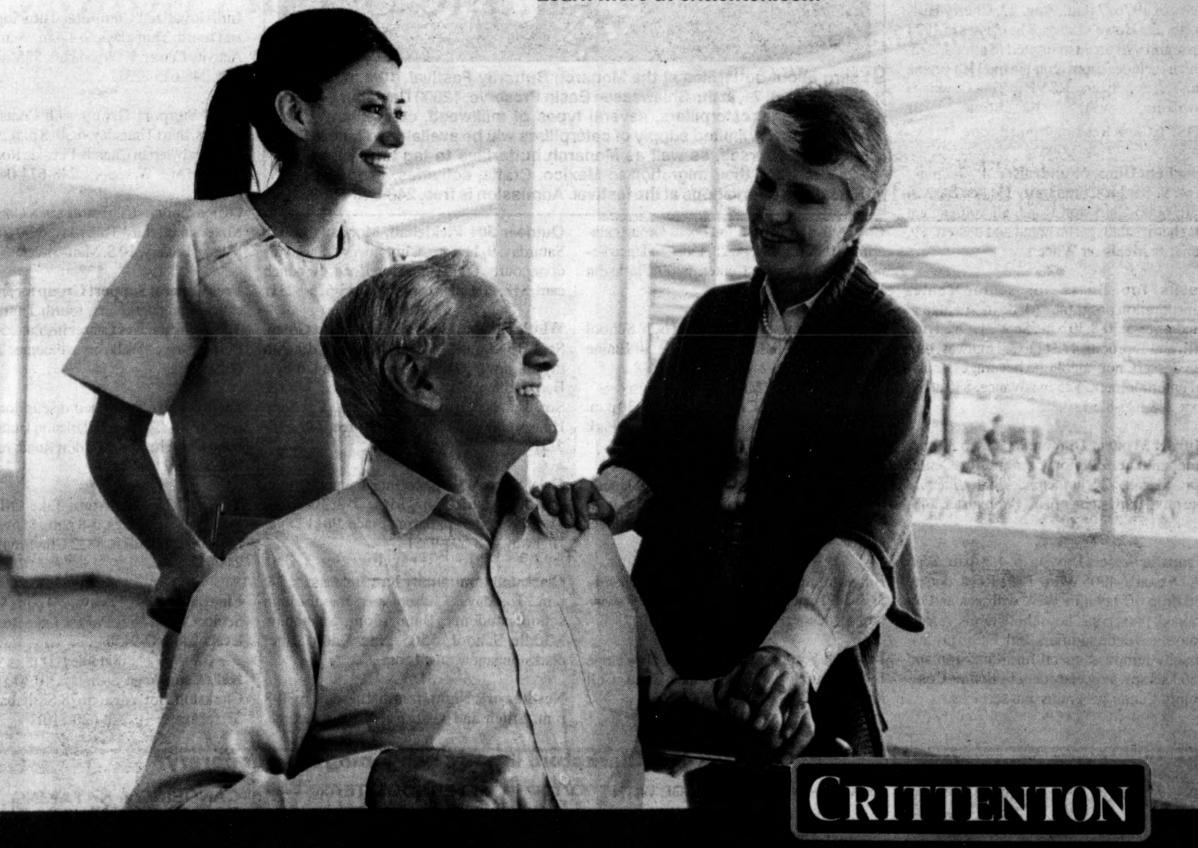


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Blood drives, American Red Cross, 10 a.m.-3:45 p.m., Aug. 19, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road; 8 a.m.-1:45 p.m., Aug. 28, Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. 800-RED CROSS, 800-733-2767.

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.

40-year reunion, Clarkston High School
Class of 1976, 7 p.m., Aug. 27, Cherry Hills
North, aka Howe's Lanes. The classes of 1974
through 1978 are also invited to attend. \$15,
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Bar, DJ, appetizers. RSVP to Tina CowlingConlon via Facebook or
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Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, 4:30-7 p.m., Sept. 9, Senior Community Center Bartsch Hall, 6000 Clarkston Road, all you can eat spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and dessert, \$9. Benefits Meals on Wheels.

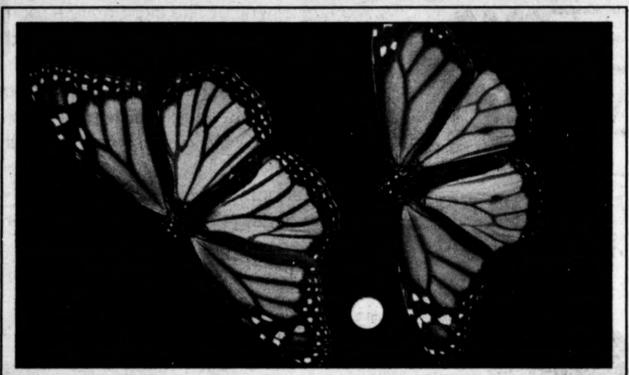
Bucks for Buses for senior center transporation program, "Made in Michigan" Fundraiser, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Sept. 21, Overtyme Grill and Taproom, 4724 Dixie Highway, dinner, dessert, non-alcoholic beverages, musical entertainment. \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. 248-625-8231.

Murder Mystery Dinner, Sept. 24, 6:30 p.m. Independence Senior Community Center Bartsch Hall, \$24, homemade dinner, interactive murder mystery, prizes. Pre-register, 248-625-8231.

Scraps for Seniors Day, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sept. 24, Dixson's, 4905 White Lake Road, donate and drop off lawn mowers with gas and oil drained, pots, pans, household items, refrigerators and dehumidifiers with Freon professionally removed, metal furniture, iron and metal scraps. Proceeds benefit Senior Community Center programs and services.

Around Jown

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



Learn about butterflies at the Monarch Butterfly Festival, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 21, at the Shiawassee Basin Preserve, 12000 Davisburg Road. Identify eggs, caterpillars, several types of milkweed, caterpillars' only food source. A limited supply of caterpillars will be available to take home and raise yourself, as well as Monarch butterflies to tag and release in order to track their migration to Mexico. Crafts, activities, vendors, and educational workshops at the festival. Admission is free. 248-846-6558.

Coffee and Conversation Focus Group gathering, 10:30 a.m., Sept. 28, Independence Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road.

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.

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

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

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

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group, Sept. 13, 7 p.m. Topic: "What do I do with myself now?" The meeting will be led by a Bereavement Counselor for Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Road. Free. 248-625-5231.

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

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

Needlework Night, fourth Tuesday, 6:30-8 p.m. Stitch and visit. Everyone welcome.

Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Nuview Nutrition Meet & Greet, 6:30-8 p.m., first Tuesdays, free, 7300 Dixie Highway Suite 500. Pre-register, 248-625-5143.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Clarkston 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 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.

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

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

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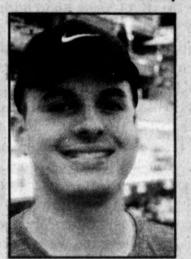
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Wild for learning about the outdoors

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Kids ventured through the meadow behind Independence Elementary last Thursday for their insect safari.

It was part of the fun they had during "What's the Buzz" at Clarkston Wild as they learned about insects, butterflies and bees through different hands-on activities.

Besides looking for bugs to put in their insects boxes, they sampled honey and guessed what herb or flower the bees collected nectar and pollen from. They also learned more about the honey making process from local beekeeper Dana Campbell, from Bee Booty in Clarkston.

"It's fun," said Chelsea O'Brien, program director of the week-long camp. "We are focused on hands-on outdoor fun for our kids."

She added it has been great for not just the kids but for her as well.

"I come home inspired," O'Brien smiled.
"It just delights me to see these kids become aware of what's around them every day. It's out there they just haven't noticed it. What we are doing we are opening the door to this outdoor adventure. Being intentional about that because kids spend so much time on their electronics, 7-9 hours a day is the average. We are trying to balance that by opening the door and give them the opportunity to see the wonders around them."

Each day the children learned about different ecosystems. They began the week learning about the wetlands on Monday and they did pond sampling, caught frogs and identified macroinvertebrates.

The next day they went to Bittersweet Farm, off of Allen Road in Independence Township.

"We always try to talk a little bit about agriculture and how it can be supportive of ecosystems and how it can be sustainable agriculture," O'Brien said, adding they open the farm up to them every year.

"The kids just love it," she smiled. "We not only learn about an agriculture ecosystem and how we want to make sure we do that sustainly."

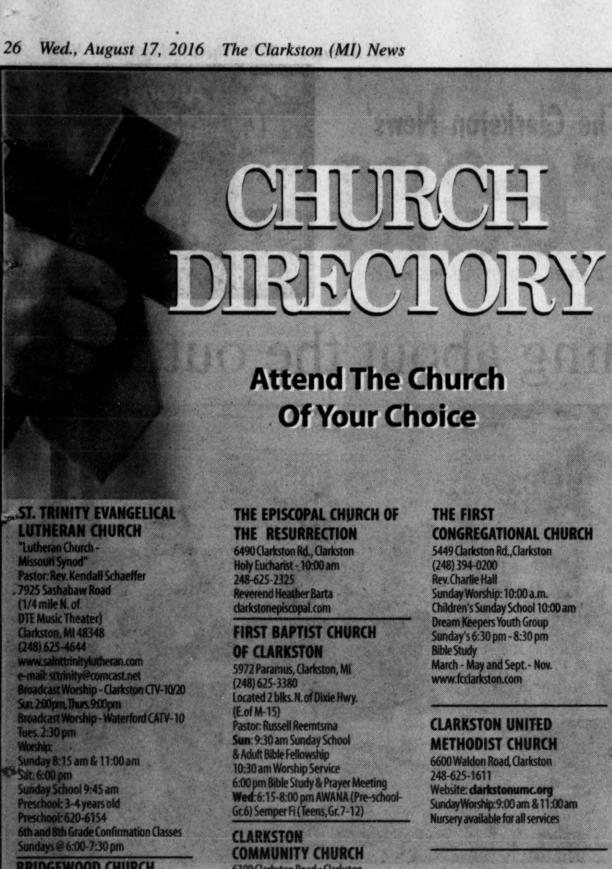
The kids also learned about giving back



The kids at Clarkston Wild are ready for their bug safari and have their insect boxes just in case they find something. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Please see Learning on page 38. Sophia Marsela searches for bugs.



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Clayton Daniels, Jr., 49

Clayton Daniels, Jr., "Casey," born on Nov. 6, 1966, in Pontiac, Mich., passed away on Aug. 6, 2016, at his residence in Mesa, Ariz.

Visitation is 11.a.m. and Funeral service will be at 12 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 19, at Swartz Funeral Home, 1225 West Hill Road, Pastor Will Henson officiating. Internment at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. A



celebration of life and meal will be at VFW Post 3720, 3131 S. Elms Road, Swartz Creek,

where he was a member of the men's auxiliary. Casey's memory lives on through his cherished Grandmother Stodgel; his father, Clayton and mother, Yolanda; his wife, Maxine; his former wife, Jennifer; his beloved daughter, Nicole; his step daughters, Jill and Rachel; his sisters, Melody and De De; his bubby, Kevin; his brothers-in-law, Jim, Jeff, Mike, and Dave; his sisters-in-law, Gina, Brenda, Jane, Kris and Kim; his nieces, Jessica, Bailey, Tara, Alison, Hannah, Clara, Lucy, Karlie, and Crystal; his nephews, Sean, Noah, and AJ; two grandsons; Nicholas and Lukyan; numerous aunts, uncles, great nieces and nephews and his Chocolate Lab,

Casey started wearing a uniform as a junior firefighter while in high school. He served 10 years on the Independence Township Fire Department, No. 3. Casey has active patents on displays in F16 fighter jets during his tenure as an engineer for over 20 years.

He loved his job as a security guard for Leisure World in Mesa, Ariz., where he started the Good Morning Patrol.

Casey's laugh and smile lit up all who knew him, from the bicycle gang of Pine Knob Lane, to the trips to Wisconsin and Mackinaw Island, from the weddings of friends and classmates to the tractor club gatherings, to mentoring robotics teams, to traveling to Florida with family, camping at Washakie, trips to South Dakota with Kevin and later Maxine, to Aruba, to Arizona, his VFW "down and out" club, the American Legion; everyone who knew him cherished him in some way.

His stories were always so interesting and will be momentously unforgettable by all who created them with him or heard them from him. As long as the stories are shared he will not soon be forgotten.

It was his wishes to thank his mentors for their support through his lifetime, Uncle Sonny Daniels, Father-in-Law Jerald Westall and deceased mentors Grandpa Stodgel and Ray LaBarge.

Memorial donations may be made to Wounded Warriors or Victory Gym in Brownstown Township.

Ronald D. White, 73

Ronald D. White, 73, of Clarkston passed away Saturday Aug. 6, 2016 at his home.

There will be a celebration of life service at 11:15 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2016 at St. Paul United Methodist Church, 165 East Square Lake Road Bloomfield Hills. The Dr. Reverend Frederick Sampson will be officiating. Visitation will be at 10 a.m. at St.



Paul. Memorials may be made to St. Paul United Methodist Church.

Ron was born May 5, 1943, in Hammond, Indiana, to Clifford and Marjorie White. He attended Hammond High School and Indiana University. Ron is survived by his beloved wife Judy of 53 years and children, Susan White of Orchard Lake, Nancy (Nick) Mikaelian of Plymouth, Richard White of Clarkston, and special family member Lisa (Jay) Kozierowski-Lacewell, as well as five grandchildren, Dominick and Abigail Mikaelian, and Brandon, Ashley, and Jordyn White.He was loved by Elaine and Wayne Stuart. Ron had two very special nieces, Jennifer (Dave) Coxey and Emily (Josh) Wallace, and their children Joshua and Jasmine Coxey and Grace Wallace.

Ron loved sales and was a sales manager for Atlas Technologies. He loved ALL sports and cooking. But most of all he loved his family! A special thanks to Residential Hospice and Wayne State University for caring for him.

Roger Whitlock, 102

Roger M. Whitlock of North Muskegon, formerly of Lake Orion, passed away Aug. 14, 2016, at age 102.

He was the husband of Marian for 69 years; father of Dwayne (Loretta) Whitlock, Patricia (the late Bill) Williams, Nancy (David) Eastman, Richard (Kimberly) Sherry Whitlock, (Robert) Torz; also 14 survived by



grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren; brother of Geneva Campbell; preceded in death by parents Charles and Mary Whitlock, children Charles Whitlock, and Pam Morris, and siblings Pauline Tate, William, Lloyd, and Hayward Whitlock.

Roger retired from General Motors.

Funeral Service, Saturday, Aug. 20, at 10 a.m. at Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home. Clarkston, where friends may visit Friday, 5-8 p.m. Interment at Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Visiting Nurse Hospice, Muskegon or to a hospice of your choice. Online guest book www.wintfuneral home.com.

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Roll Call: Avery, Haven, Kneisc, Sabol, Catallo, Marsh, Present. Mayor Luginski, Absent. Motion by Sabol, Supported by Avery to approve the agenda with the change that #7 is the consent Agenda. All Aye, Motion Carried. Consent Agenda: Treasurers Report and Minutes Final Minutes 06 13 2016 and Draft Minutes of 06 27 2016. Motion by Avery, Supported by Sabol to accept the Treasurer report but not Council Minutes for 06 13 2016 and 06 27 2016. The Minutes are tabled until next meeting on 07 25 2016. All Aye, Motion Carried. Motion by Haven, Supported by Sabol to Pay invoices # 0532, # 0533, and # 0536 in the amount of \$6,012.00, \$9,997.25 and \$616.38 respectively for a total of \$16,625.63. Motion Carried. Motion by Catallo, Supported by Kneisc to direct the City Council to meet at the Library on Thursday August 11, 2016 at 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to participate with the Library for a Community Connection Survey. Motion by Sabol Supported by Avery to Decline the acceptance of Municode. Motion Carried. Motion by Marsh, Supported by Avery to Adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Miller, City Clerk

Because the People Want to Know OAKLAND CTY WATER NOTICE OF HEARING OF PRACTICABILITY

AND REVIEW OF CLARKSTON MILL PONDS SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

TAKE NOTICE that the Clarkston Mill Ponds Lake Improvement Board will hold a public hearing on the practicability of a three-year improvement project for Clarkston Mill Ponds consisting of nuisance aquatic plant management (surveys and treatments), goose control, permits, and administration and contingency. The project would begin in 2017 and continue through 2019, with an annual cost of \$10,685. The hearing will be held at the Independence Township Hall, 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, Michigan on Monday, August 29, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a special assessment roll has been prepared and is on file at the offices of the City of the Village of Clarkston, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, Michigan and Independence Township, 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, Michigan for public examination during normal business hours. Said special assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the improvement project to benefiting properties.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Clarkston Mill Ponds Lake Improvement Board will hold a hearing immediately following the aforementioned hearing of practicability for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and for hearing any objections thereto. An owner of or party with interest in real property to be assessed or his/her agent may appear in person to object to the special assessment or may protest such special assessment by letter filed with the Lake Board at or prior to the time of the hearing. Written objections may be filed with or mailed to the Clarkston Mill Ponds Lake Improvement Board c/o Ms. Jacy Garrison, Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, One Public Works Drive, Bldg 95W, Waterford, Michigan 48328-1907. Notice is also given that the owner of any real property within the Clarkston Mill Ponds Special Assessment District who, having made an objection to said special assessment either in person or in writing, may, within thirty (30) days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll, appeal such special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction.

Clarkston Mill Ponds Lake Improvement Board Oakland County, Michigan

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SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **AUGUST 9, 2016**

A A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:02 PM at Independence Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given

ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Lohmeier, Ritchie, Schroeder Absent: Aliaga

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Lt. Dirk Feneley, Oakland County Sheriff's Department; Wendy Hillman, Finance Director; David McKee, DPW Director; Mitch Petterson, Fire Chief; Renée Poole, Fire Department Business Manager; Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst; Richard Carlisle, Carlisle/Wortman, Associates; Nancy Faught, Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc.; Dave Gillam, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich, PC

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented

CLOSED SESSION: None

BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Trustee

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING: None

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

Report: Supervisor's Update Report: Review 2017 Budgets for Police, Fire and Fire CIP Funds

J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of the Board of Trustees Budget Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2016 and the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2016

Approval of Payroll of July 29, 2016 and the Check Run of August 2, 2016, for a Total Amount

3. Approval of Budget Amendment Corridor Improvement Authority I-75/Waldon Road Project ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

None **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of 1st Reading - Miscellaneous Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments

Approval of the Transfer of Fund Balance - Bow Pointe Capital Project Fund (CP) and Debt Service Fund (DS) to the Improvement Revolving

3. Approval of Agreement - Michigan Department of Environmental Quality - Alternate Water Supply Replacement Grant for Maple Drive

Approval of Budget Amendment - Alternate Water Supply Replacement Grant for Maple Drive Accepted Bids - Oakland County's Coopera-

tive Purchasing Program for Maple Drive 6. Accepted Bid for Safety Path Construction - Pine

7. Approval of Agreements - Professional Legal

Approval of Engineering Services Agreement Appointment / Reappointment of Board & Committee Members - Video Center Administrative

N. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

1. Report: Oakland County Sheriff's Office Monthly Report - June 2016

Report: Building Department Monthly Reports - April, May, June and July 2016

Minutes: Election Commission - July 5, 2016

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC Township Clerk

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Funds hope to flow by Nov.

Continued from page 1 work to settle these bonds."

The interest amount should also be less than expected, he said.

"The bond council advised us in a conservative line, to take a four percent interest rate on those bonds," Ryan said. "The current rate right now is closer to a little over 3.1 percent. Again that will reflect in a pretty sizable savings to the community, if this holds out on the next month or two months."

The initial projections were done by the Industry Standard For Conservative Approach to Financing, Ryan noted.

"Nobody wants 'gotcha moments' of things to be extended or longer, but as soon as you secure things you can start to tighten them up to create a firmer financial picture," he said.

Next steps

Over the next couple weeks, school officials will create a priority list of projects.

"Our goal will be to have zero percent waste as part of this entire project," Ryan said. "Although we'd like to do everything on the first day, we need to create a system to involve Mr. (Wes) Goodman, (executive director of operations) and Mrs. (Angela) Harrison, (district administrator of technology) to help us look at what's the rate we can implement both the technology and physical attributes of the buildings."

The initial part of the process will be conducted by Ryan, Goodman, Harrison, GMB Architectural firm Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock.

An ad hoc committee of board members, which includes Board President Steve Hyer, will review the priority list and then share the list with the entire school board.

"If we try to do every building at the

same time, that certainly is more expensive than doing them one at a time," Hyer said. "At the same token we have schedules we have to deal that there are no students in the building, only at certain times when we can work on them, so those are all priority pieces."

> Ryan said their plan is to sell the bonds "in very short because percent of that resource needs to be used within the first three years.

"There is a

caveat based on the construction schedule that developed over the next couple weeks to create a

small extension or second small series, just to make sure all the projects are completed in a timely way," he explained. "That's a typical industrial expectation when you sell bonds both to support these projects, so that will part of the overall plan."

Ryan

The next step will be to secure a construction management firm.

"Again it is our hope to do as many (projects) as we can to get out of the gate this year," Ryan added. "But we're not so hurried we're going to become wasteful or do it in a way that's irresponsible or waste any of the precious resources this community has approved for us."

Board Treasurer Greg Need asked what the anticipated target for the sale of the bonds is. Ryan said if the bonds were sold in October, the funds would be available by November.

Talks continue on Sashabaw Road

Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle met with township engineers last week to discuss widening North Sashabaw Road between Flemings Lake Road and DTE Energy Music Theater.

Kittle said it was a great meeting.

"I think we have a good, firm, sound plan where this will at least give me a hard number to start talking to the state, the feds, DTE and to be able to present something to my CIA (Corridor Improvement Authority) board in terms of what we're doing, how we're going to do it, what's it going to cost and how we would fund it with future with TIF (Tax Increment Financing) dollars," he said.

The township board gave the go-ahead back in May, authorizing \$400,000 (\$200,000 from the township and \$200,000 from Road

Commission of Oakland County) for township engineers to draw up plans.

The plans would expand the current four lane highway to five lanes, by adding a left hand turn lane and a right-hand turn lane into DTE for northbound traffic. Safety paths and sewer mains would also be included in the construction plans.

Kittle estimates the total cost to be about \$4 million. However, he is seeking state and federal contributions due to the amount of pedestrian accidents on the stretch of road, as well as money from RCOC and DTE.

"I've asked (DTE) for another \$500,000 on top of the \$600,000 they already committed," he added. ".We'll finagle the rest out of the CIA and TIF capture."

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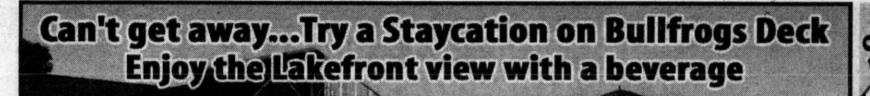
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The parade will start at Saint Daniel's Catholic Church at Hocomb and Miller Road beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 5. The parade route will be Miller Road. to Main Street, south to Church Street and ends at Renaissance High School.

Find the entry application on the clarkstonrotary.org website under downloads, or by contacting Clarkston Rotarian Joel DeLong at joeldelong@aol.com or 248-625-9741.

School supplies needed

Lighthouse of Oakland County is accepting donations for their annual Back to School program until Thursday.

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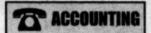
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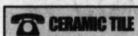
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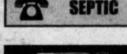
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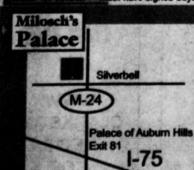
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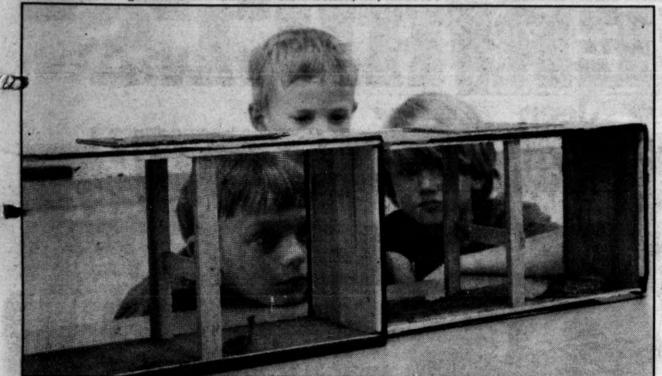
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Learning of life in forest

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to the community with Bittersweet Farm Plant-A-Row Community Garden, which feeds the hungry.

"Our kids learn how not everyone has enough food to eat and how we want to make sure we can support healthy food to kids who don't get enough," said O'Brien.

During Wednesday's session they learned about what's under their feet which included rocks, worms, soil and composting.

They ended the week with the Fantastic Forest and learned about the life cycle of a tree, tree rings, the forest ecosystem and importance of trees.

"We have had so much support from Nate Fuller (Independence Elementary principal), community education, and our teachers. They are always so wonderful and send their own kids because they understand this is the best way to support rigor and relevance, getting the kids outside helps to support their learning in the

classroom."

For more information, please visit Clarkston Family Farm on Facebook or Clarkston Community Education at www. itpr.org.



Violet Dougherty explores for forest samples. Photo provided



Chelsea O'Brien helps grab a beetle. Photo by Wendi Reardon.

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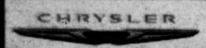
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