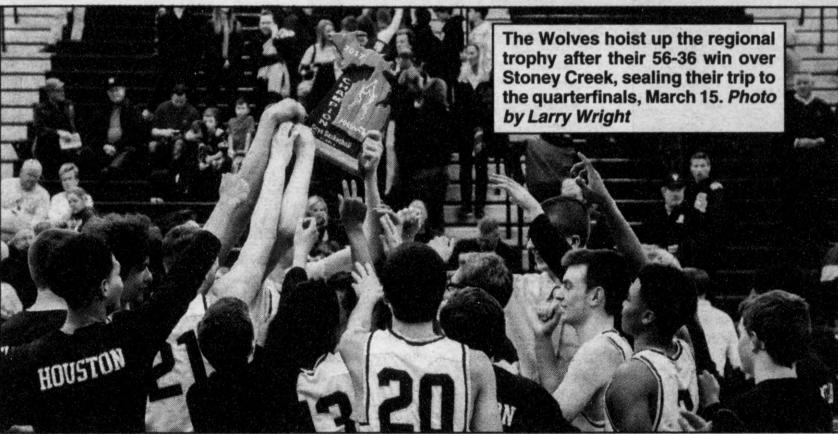
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Battle for Breslin Center for Cagers

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves are heading into the MHSAA Boys Basketball Quarterfinals for the fifth time in 10 seasons after winning the regional crown, March 15.

The boys have won the quarterfinal round twice to go to the semifinals in 1980 and 2009.

"I am proud of the opportunity we get to go," smiled Dan Fife, long-time head coach for Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball. "Let's give it our best effort. It isn't easy. It seems like so many things have happened to us in the quarterfinals.

Luck doesn't just happen. We will prepare like we always do. If we get to Breslin, fine. If we don't, it won't be from lack of effort on anybody's part."

The boys earned the trip to quarterfinals with a 56-36 win over Stoney Creek.

"It was what you call an ugly win," Fife admitted after the game. "I didn't think we played our best floor game. I am happy with the win because last year this time we got beat at the buzzer. I have lost a million buzzer beaters and heartbreakers so this was a good win regardless of how we

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BY WENDI REARDON PRICE Clarkston News Staff Writer

RUSH gearing up

Students and fans celebrated as Team RUSH 27 finished the FIRST in Michigan District event at Waterford Mott High School, March 16-18.

The robotics team from Clarkston High School joined with Blue Alliance members TORQ 2137 from Oxford High School and RoboSapiens 4779 from Cardinal Mooney Catholic to win the meet.

"The competition was tough," said Coach Kyle Hughes, explaining RUSH had rough qualifying rounds but were picked by TORQ for the alliance. "Making it to the finals was surreal."

The Blue Alliance competed against two of the toughest teams, HOT 67 from Highland Valley Schools and Killer Bees 33 from Notre Dame Preparatory.

RUSH's alliance won the first of the best two out of three. In the second match, Killer Bee's and HOT needed to play defense to slow down the Blue Alliance.

They did slow them down, but they were only one gear away from a four rotor, which made it only a three rotor

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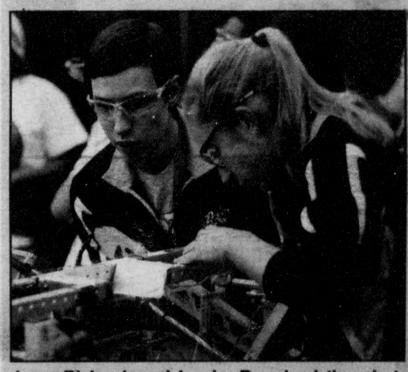
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Jason Richards and Jessica Ray check the robot before putting it on the field for their morning match on Friday. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

City motion to reconsider ruling rejected

Street lawsuit.

The judge filed the denial on March 16 in Oakland County Circuit Court, in the CBC Joint Venture vs. City Of The Village Of Clarkston case.

His summary disposition ruling, which was filed on Jan.

Judge James M. Alexander rejected a motion to 4, ordered the city to approve CBC Joint Venture's request reconsider his ruling against the city in the 59 S. Main to rezone 59 S. Main Street, known as the Sutherland House, for use as a restaurant.

The city can still appeal the case, which was authorized by Clarkston City Council in a 4-3 vote after closed session on Jan. 9.

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Blue pinwheels for child-abuse prevention with CAYA

BYPHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Spinning blades of blue will flutter in the April breeze during the Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month of April.

Organizers with Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (CAYA) hope to provide 1,000 blue pinwheels to businesses, community groups, and residents to put in gardens, front windows, and other displays around the area.

Pinwheels represent the free spirit of a happy childhood, said Debbie Wertz of CAYA.

"The pinwheels are beautiful. They make a real, visual statement," Wertz said. ""Lastyear was fantastic. We had an amazing response from the community. It shows avisible commitment to preventing child abuse, and shows support by the community."

"Pinwheels are an uplifting symbol, that every child deserves a happy and healthy childhood," said Judy Parnes, pinwheel committee member. "The people of Clarkston really step up. It's refreshing in this day and age, everybody comes together. It's a wonderful thing."

The Pinwheels for Prevention Gardens drive kicks off on March 31 at the Clarkston Mills, 20 W. Washington Street, where Peg Roth and Clarkston Retailers Group are



CAYA planners hope to pass out 1,000 blue pinwheels for April. File photo

working to sign up local businesses for the pinwheel drive.

Volunteers are needed to help box and deliver orders to local businesses, community groups, and residents, Parnes said.

CAYA programs to strengthen youth and families, and prevent and reduce juvenile delinquency, neglect, and abuse, are community- and volunteer-based and developed by local residents. The Circuit Court provides a professional staff member to work with the volunteers and to provide direct casework services to individual families.

"A lot of families are struggling," Wertz said. "Prevention and awareness is key – we need more awareness at all levels."

CAYA provides short-term youth and family casework services to families referred by schools, law enforcement, parents, community agencies, and concerned citizens. Services are voluntary and confidential, and include a family assessment, counseling, and referrals for resources.

The non-profit community service organization also offers scholarships for day and overnight camps to children who would otherwise not have the opportunity. Camp provides activities which promote teamwork and social skills. Based on financial need, scholarships are offered for community and school-related activities in education, music, sports, and art.

Homework club volunteer tutors offer help with homework or specific needs for K-12th grade students and is located in Bridgewater Park Apartments. In Mentors Plus, a volunteer mentor is paired with a child for a one-year commitment.

CAYA's annual youth recognition event honors youth who have made contributions to the community in volunteerism, behavior, academic efforts/improvements, and/or citizenship without compensation. Family education programs and workshops are offered to promote family growth and strengthening relationships. Expert knowledge is offered in a variety of topics to enable parents and/or children to acquire knowledge and skills in various areas of need.

CAYA is sponsored by the Oakland County Circuit Court Family Division, Clarkston Community Schools, Independence Township, Springfield Township, and City of the Village of Clarkston, with additional funding from grants, donations, and local fundraising.

A professional development workshop with training and information for medical and dental professionals, mandatory reporters of child abuse, will be on May 12, 8-9 p.m., at Clarkston Independence District Library. They're also planning workshops for teachers and parents.

Volunteer opportunities also include organizing, setting up, and working events, CAYA Board of Directors, committee, and participating in CAYA events.

Call the CAYA office at 248-623-4313 for more information. Check their Facebook page for questions for children, ways to strengthen families, reach out to neighbors, and give families with children support, and resources to reduce neglect and abuse.





Memories of Mr. Ford and a Model A

BY JESSICA STEELEY

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Nearly 90 years ago Henry Ford changed one local family's lives.

The year was 1930. Robert Beattie was working his 640-acre farm with his brother, John, one summer's day when a Model A pulled up to the fence.

"Which one of you is Robert Beattie?" asked the man as he got out.

"I am," Robert said, stepping forward.

"Well, we need you Monday to be at Ford Motor Company and you're going to be a Ford dealer," he was told.

"I'm not going to be a Ford dealer, I've been a farmer all my life," Robert responded.

For Clarkston resident Bob Beattie, Robert's son, this story is one of many shared at many a family gathering.

"Henry Ford, the old, original Henry Ford, was very particular and he didn't like these two men that had the dealership and he wanted to get rid of them. It was up to my father to go down and take over the dealership," Bob Beattie said.

Beattie grew up in Clarkston while his father owned and operated the Ford dealership on the corner of Main and Church streets, from 1930 until 1944.

Initially, when Beattie's father was given the Ford dealership, he intended to get rid of the property. He told his brother to run the farm with the plan he'd be back in 30 days.

Robert left his farm in Lapeer County and headed to a bank in Clarkston, intending to sell off the property. The bank had other plans, since it had \$48,000 worth of past due notes accrued by the previous owners.

It took Robert 14 years to pay off all the money, with World War II underway and lumber and steel in short supply.

During the time, the Beattie family also owned a little gas station at the corner of M-15 and what is now M-24, and a repair and gas station at the corner of Andersonville and Dixie.

That shop became their main location when tragedy struck at the corner of Main and Church.

On election night in November 1944, Robert was counting ballots at the township hall in Clarkston when somebody came busting through the door.

"Bob, your building is on fire," he exclaimed.

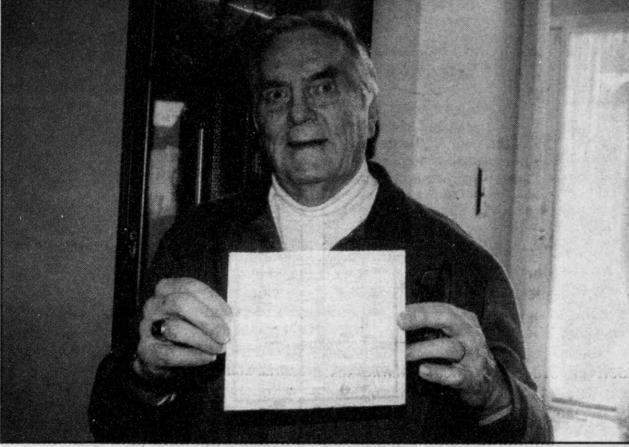
They both ran across the street to the dealership, where a fire the size of a bushel basket was burning on one of the overhead

Luckily, the fire department was across the street.

"I haven't got my keys or anything, let me just smash the door and let's get the fire out," Robert said.

"We can't do that until we string a hose and get to the water," he was told.

They strung a hose down to the Millpond,



Bob Beattie holds a copy of the original 1942 Model A Title. Photo by Jessica Steeley

but unwittingly wrapped it around a pole. "Turn on the water!"

Nothing. Realizing their mistake, the firefighters quickly undid the tangle, but another problem presented itself. They had to change a bad nozzle.

During all the mishaps, the fire continued to grow and eventually reached 15 drums of antifreeze. The first 55-gallon drum exploded and flew right through the roof, coming back down as 55 gallons of fire on top of the building. The rest went off one after another.

The next morning, the only thing left standing was a safe in the middle of a whole mess where the dealership stood just a day

"Cars were all burned up, the building was completely gone," Bob said.

That's how the Ford dealership left Clarkston's Main Street, but Bob said Henry Ford was in Clarkston more than that.

Ford owned the old township hall building on Main Street, he built the dam to create the Millpond, manufactured parts, and drained some swampy area to create a power plant.

He also owned a little white house next to the township building and let the tenant, Fanny Irish, live there, even putting her on the payroll as the building's caretaker.

Ford visited Clarkston, intending to check on the building of a square dance floor - he loved square dancing - in his new factory. During the visit, he checked on Irish, who was painting the house as he walked up.

"What are you doing there, Fanny?" "The house needs painting."

"You don't even own it, Fanny, why would you go to the bother and expense to paint it?"

"Well, it needs it, and I'm here, and I like it to look nice," she replied. Ford smiled.

Later, the two sat on her porch and talked. "Ms. Irish, if you had a car, would you drive it," Henry Ford asked, out of the blue.

"Mr. Ford, I don't know how to drive anything but a Model A."

In the early forties, Ford had few Model A's built. Bob said one day a Model A Ford was unloaded at his father's dealership with a note from Henry Ford to get it ready and give it to Ms. Irish.

"We were always told that was the last Model A that was built, it was hand done in 1942," Bob said. "(Ford) was that kind of a guy. He could be very sweet and very helpful. Then, he could turn right around and he could cut you right down to your knees. But he did an awful lot for Clarkston."

Bob said Ms. Irish agreed to give him and his father the first chance to buy the car if she ever were to sell it. Many years later, in the late fifties, she called him up and said she had to sell the car, it'd been sitting in her friend's garage for 10 years.

"A lot of people, us included, had no idea where the car was for the last 10 years, we thought she'd probably gotten rid of it a long time ago," Bob said. "We went and got it and, believe it or not, we got it started right in the garage after 10 years of being there, we started it and we drove it out and from that point on we had kept the car."

Beattie said they just brought the car back to Clarkston and planned to use it as a parade car.

"It has a special spot to me because it was a Clarkston car and it was one of the last Model A's he ever built."

Briefly

School bond work

The Clarkston Board of Education accepted two bid packages during their March 13 meeting for school bond projects.

The first package included construction work at Andersonville Elementary, Bailey Lake Elementary and Springfield Plains Elementary, at a total cost of \$4,040,254.76.

The work includes updated secure entrances, building remodels, and parking lots at Andersonville and Bailey Lake elementaries; and Springfield Plains parking lot and new playground equipment.

The second bid package covers improvements on Clarkston High School's football field and track, and will cost \$1,404,882.42.

Wes Goodman said they hope to get most of the construction work done during the summer, with work on the high school starting May 1 and finished by the first football game. Planned completion for the elementary projects is Aug. 21.

Goodman and Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan are planning to bring bids for 2018 bond projects to the board in November or December of 2017.

The School Board also approved the purchase of new band instruments using \$146,796.75 in bond funds at their March 13 meeting.

New funds for schools

Clarkston School Board created two new accounts, March 13.

Clarkston High School requested a National Technical Honor Society internal account to celebrate and recognize student achievement in Career and Technical Education courses who maintain a 3.0 GPA and volunteer through community service. Money deposited in this account will be from student fundraisers.

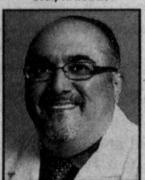
The high school also requested the creation of the Mikayla Ferer Memorial Scholarship Fund to honor Ferer's legacy and give kids the chance to study topics she loved, such as the environment and nutrition. Funds will be acquired for this account to provide one or more scholarships to students on a yearly basis in her honor.

Sashabaw Middle School also asked to change a current unused account to the Jeffery Burkett Memorial Instrument Scholarships account. The account will be funded by donations and will provide instruments to students who are not financially able to afford them.





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Lezlie Hallman, Renaissance High School, shakes hands with School Board Trustee Chervl McGinnis.

25-year educators honored

Clarkston Community School employees with 25 or more years of experience with the district were recognized during the Board of Education meeting, March 13.

Principals or directors introduced their employees and described what they've given to the district over the years. The employees recognized were David Blehm, Buildings and Grounds; James Farnworth, Buildings and Grounds; Loretta Gagnon, North Sashabaw Elementary; Lezlie Hallman, Renaissance High School; Alaina Hawley, Transportation;

Claudia Keglovitz, Clarkston Junior High; Gloria Lacy, Springfield Plains Elementary; Dori Lund, Buildings and Grounds; Michele Przybylski, Clarkston Junior High; Jill Santola, Bailey Lake Elementary; Natalie Vanas, Bailey Lake Elementary; John Zittel, Clarkston High School;

Lola Armstrong, Food Services; Juanita Gilbert, Transportation; Linda Linenger, Springfield Plains Elementary; Julie Matthies, Springfield Plains Elementary; Philip Price, Clarkston High School; Kristine Simek, Springfield Plains Elementary; Heather Smith, Springfield Plains Elementary; Patrice Young, Sashabaw Middle School; and Jennifer Warner, Independence Elementary.



Some of the Clarkston Community Schools members recognized for their 25plus years of service to the district. Photos by Jessica Steeley





Clarkston Optimist Club's Outstanding Student Citizen for Pine Knob Elementary, Ava Pawlak, with Principal Jodi Yeloushan, at right, and fifth grade teachers Lisa Apel, at left, and Kelly Mertz.

Outstanding students

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston Area Optimist Club presented three Outstanding Student Citizen awards at its Feb. 22 meeting, to Jessica Petker, Bailey Lake Elementary; Ava Pawlak, Pine Knob Elementary; and Gabe Yang, North Sashabaw Elementary,

Gabe Yang is a leader at North Sashabaw, said Principal Jennifer Johnson.

"As a safety captain, Gabe is always responsible, respectful, and reliable. Mr. Phillips, who leads our Safety Patrol, says we can count on him to be a model of leadership for his fellow safeties and the younger students in the school," Johnson said. "He goes out of his way to ensure the safety of students as they arrive to school. He keeps a careful eye on our youngest students and makes sure to guide them to where they are supposed to be. Every morning Gabe stands at the front door and greets everyone who walks by - cheerful, smiling."

His teacher Adriane Reinelt said no one was more deserving of the Optimist award.

"Gabe is well known throughout our school for his leadership, his friendly nature and his constant willingness to help," Reinelt said. "It should also be known that Gabe is an amazing artist and his art has been showcased at Oakland Schools."

He loves spending his time outside of school doing karate and is very proud of his orange belt, Johnson said.

"Gabe is a huge help at home to his mom and sisters," the principal said. "Gabe is a friend to all and is never intimidated by a situation that may seem too tough. Gabe does not act as a leader for a reward or recognition. He knows his actions can spread kindness throughout our school, and he wants to make a difference not only to his peers but also to our school community as a whole."

Gabe has an excellent work ethic, and works for the best and expects only the best whether he is working independently or on a team, she said.

Jessica Petker is a student who finds an opportunity to smile and find the positive in any situation, said Bailey Lake Principal Glenn Gualtieri.

"She lifts up students and staff members with her optimistic disposition," Gualtieri said. "Jessica is a student leader who excels in managing our school store, the Dawg House."

She manages inventory, places orders for new supplies, and greets



Gabe Yang, Outstanding Student Citizen at North Sashabaw Elementary, with Principal Jennifer Johnson and his fifth-grade teacher, Adriane Reinelt.



Bailey Lake Elementary's Outstanding Student Citizen Jessica Petker, with Principal Glenn Gualtieri and her teacher, Carol Barber. *Photos provided*

each customer with enthusiasm, he said.

"The most impressive characteristic about Jessica is the manner in which she carries herself during adverse situations. She views a challenge or struggle as an opportunity to grow," said the principal.

Ava Pawlak is an optimistic, intelligent and extremely kind person, said Pine Knob Elementary Principal Jodi Yeloushan.

"She excels in and out of the classroom and is a hard worker who consistently gives her best effort in everything she does in her life," Yeloushan said. "She is dedicated to her studies and she is a model student. Ava strives to always do her personal best in all her subject areas.

She has been on Safety Patrol all year and is seen as a positive influence on the bus.

"Ava is a role model to other children," the principal said. "Ava doesn't ever hesitate to help out. Ava looks out for others and takes care of friends when they need it."

The fifth grader is the type of person who puts others before herself.

"She is always telling stories about how other people have helped her get through some challenging times," Yeloushan said. "However, she doesn't even realize how much she helps them. She is the most selfless person. If you asked her friends what they admire most about Ava, it would be she brings a smile to their faces when they need it most."



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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

Food reflections

I have been reflecting a lot on my eating habits recently.

It comes from having a15-month-old son who is eating more and more of what we eat every day and being on Shape ReClaimed again through Nuview Nutrition.

I have always had a problem with portion control. I love to eat. I love food. I am a foodie.

When I was in high school I didn't eat

well. I wasn't eating what my body needed. I was eating horribly fattening and cheap food. My lunch at school consisted of the a la carte stand where I would purchase chocolate milk, two chocolate chip cookies and a pretzel. It lasted for



a year or so until I discovered coffee in the media center.

I have flashes of the bad carbs I ate on the bus rides home after an away soccer game but can only pin point on the Pop Tart minis. But even Chocolate Fudge Pop Tarts were a weakness through high school and into college. Now if I get a temptation all I have to do is look at the nutritional facts - mostly the amount of sugar.

Through the rest of high school my diet consisted of Summit Place Mall's food court when with friends and Boston Market, where I worked and had access to endless fountain soft drinks. A job at Star Theatre shifted my diet to free popcorn and Frozen Cokes.

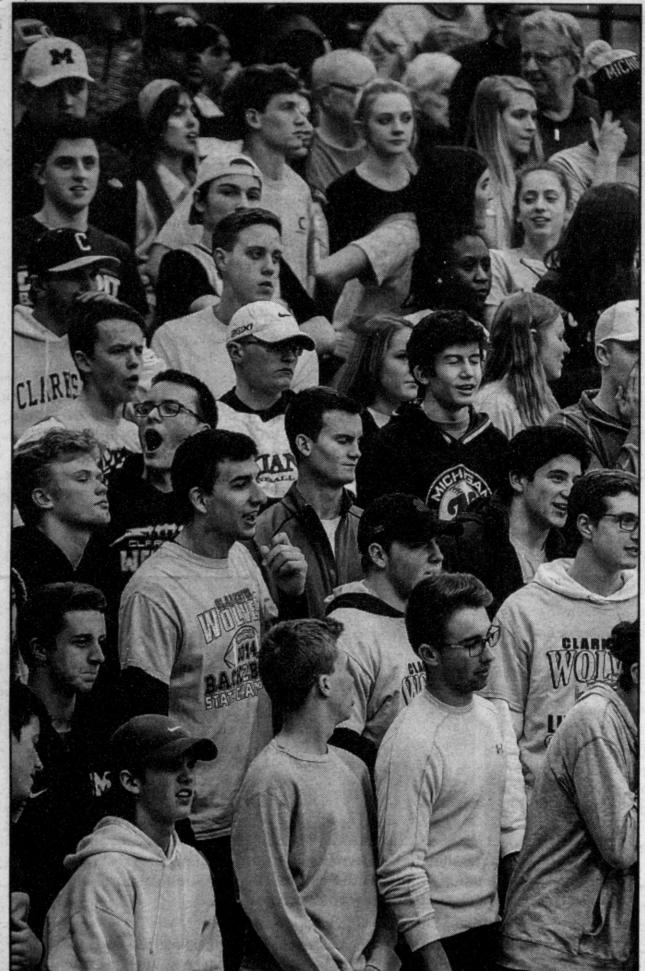
My habits didn't improve in college where a Subway sandwich tasted better with a fountain drink and cookies and I visited vending machines. At the same time, I also worked full time at Great Lakes Crossing - more food court visits.

While I attempted to make healthy choices and tried to make lunch to take with me, the temptations were always there especially picking up something quick.

When I started at *The Clarkston News* my pop intake went down, no endless fountain soft drinks. But I was eating on the go - before a game, after a game. Those late deadlines played havoc on the desire to snack or taking a late break and eating a large meal.

By the time I walked into Nuview Nutrition to interview Cindy Crandell the damage was done. She was patient as I tried different plans until we found one I was successful not just mindful eating and reversing my fatty liver but losing weight.

I slip now and then, but it's not as bad as it used to be. Not with a child.



LET'S GO BLUE: The Jungle fills the student section at Grand Blanc High School to cheer on their Wolves during the MHSAA Boys Basketball Regional playoffs last week. Photo by Larry Wright

City could appeal lawsuit decision

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Council members Sharron Catallo, Eric Haven, Jason Kneisc, and David Marsh voted to appeal, going with the advisement of city attorney Thomas Ryan. Mayor Steve Percival and council members Sue Wylie and Rick Detkowski voted against appealing the

CBC Joint Venture filed suit against the city in October 2015, saying the city had no legitimate reason to deny its rezoning request, particularly when faced with nearly identical requests from others. The city said

rezoning would jeopardize the historic nature of the area.

The city budgeted \$30,000 for legal fees for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. For 2015-2016, legal fees were \$29,735; and \$25,761 went to legal fees in 2014-2015.

For insurance and bonds, which pays for the city legal representation in this case through the Michigan Municipal League, \$3,444 was budgeted for 2016-2017, and \$3,656 has been spent as of Jan. 31, 2017. Insurance for 2014-2015 was \$3,344; and in 2015-2016, \$3,398.

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 2002

"Schools set \$1.6 million dollar reduction plan" Uncertain about funding from the state, Clarkston Community Schools was going ahead with a \$1.6 million reduction plan which would impact all district programs on an equal basis.

"Clarkston man travels to Washington to raise awareness" Clarkston resident Robert McGowan was in Washington, D.C. to represent the state of Michigan in a media event held by America's Second Harvest, Ending Hunger. He was chosen due to his work to help feed the hungry in Oakland County.

"Cloggers dance to preschoolers' delight" All the little tykes at South Sashabaw Early Childhood Center were treated to a clogging performance by the talented American Rhythm Dancers. After performing the dancers answered any questions the children had for them.

25 years ago - 1992

"Half million gallons" Construction was underway on the \$680,000 half-million gallon water tower at Dixie Highway, near White Lake Road in Independence Township. The tower was part of the township's master water and sewer plan to provide a water reserve for fire protection and drinking water.

"Grand opening" Supervisor Frank Ronk and Library Director Molly Lynch welcomed guests and dignitaries to the grand opening of the new Independence Township Library. The revamped facility was 20,000 square feet and cost \$2,050,000 to complete.

"Students taste victory" Eight students from Oakland Technical Center-Northwest campus volunteered to enter the 1992 Michigan Student Culinary Art Salon competition and all eight won. The students were Leanne Reed, Jason Hartman, Christopher Lee, Sean Rhodes, Alex Strand, Peni Hubbard, Heather Schwartz and Don Neubeck.

50 years ago - 1967

"School board discusses repairs" The Clarkston Board of Education discussed problems concerning repair and maintenance in the Clarkston Junior High School building and work to be done at the junior high athletic fields.

"Holiday decorations" Two Clarkston Elementary Kindergarten classes decorated two trees with eggs for the Easter holiday.

"Round the town" Dr. and Mrs. Robert Buehrig came home after a 10-day vacation in Las Vegas where they celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

My nose for news got an unwelcome scent

These Jottings ran on March 21, 2007

Monday, March 12, I turned on Fox Vews at 4 p.m. The tv screen was filled with a very strong fire. The news reader was talking excitedly about this blast.

He said a gas or oil pipeline (he wasn't sure which) had burst in Texas.

For the next 15 minutes this event went from being possibly a terrorist action, a fire that would affect the stock market in a disastrous way (causing a possible depression, recession, suicides), something that could be alien retribution, Katrina comparisons and a possible nuclear attack from a consortium of North Korea, Iran and al Oaida.

The announcer's excited words, "We have no account of the exact number of people that may have been injured in this explosion or are missing."

I could visualize the program's producers off-camera feverishly dialing, e-mailing, Googling and sending smoke signals to Texas Indians or anyone who would, please, talk to our news reader.

Finally, a good ol' boy sheriff's voice was heard. Casually, he said, "No, there wasn't really much more to it than a routine pipeline bustin'. No there weren't nobody within a couple miles of it. We're just going to let 'er

burn out, just like we did with all the others. Thanks for callin'. Have a nice day."

I swear the audio sound chip picked up the announcer's deflation.

This 15 minutes of suspense was over in 15 minutes. Now then, the Tara Grant case kept the suspense going for four weeks.

TV announcers reached back into their "excited talk" memory bank to bring us "breaking news" 24/7.

Nonstop vibrating uvulars.

Jim's

Jottings

a column by

Jim Sherman

Excitement continued to build when word got out (was released) that a foreign born au pair had exited the country.

At least fourteen Detroit television stations sent people who look good on camera to Germany so local viewers could get "news you'll see only on Ch. 17," and "Our Ch. 18 cameras were first on the scene. Stay tuned to this channel for the latest breaking news."

Every report was "exclusive" which preceded every breath.

We had a confession, a crying, pleading husband, missing body parts, court rejection, then approval, of home and factory searches, and then aerial shots of a man in an SUV coming from Petoskey to Macomb County for 17-and-a-half hours.

Finally, the uvulas got a rest, and the announcers could get back to calmly telling us of the routine news: drive-by shootings, deadly fires, car and bus crashes, bank robberies and baby stealings.

However, however, these two cited "breaking news" stories had to share air and screen time with the death of a beauty queen.

Heavens to Betsy, how much can we take? No wonder people drink, smoke, curse and

This bosomy beauty, who is reported to have had all the talent of a toad, died of unknown causes, there were DNA demands, child custody fights, legal maneuvering, a crying judge and a foreign country involved.

More people claimed to have fathered the 39-year-old's child than fought in the Union vs Rebs conflict in the 1860s. One of the would-bes claimed to have been at Gettysburg.

Give a tv station some cleavage and there is no end to the coverage (lack of coverage?) a station can bring us.

And, in this case our exposure wasn't just locally.

Those network geniuses, Hollywood types, and the "we-know-what-our-viewerswant-to-see" programmers saw to it that we saw to it ('em?).

What the tv stations don't seem to be concerned about is viewers' complacency and overkill.

I think I can smell it coming.

Get ready to get down with ever-lovin' earwax

I case you missed it, at 6:38 a.m. on Monday we officially entered Spring 2017. That and \$5 will get you a cup of coffee at Starbucks. (Which is why I buy my coffee from A Bean To Go).

Yup, at 6:38 a.m., the sun was perfectly positioned over the equator, signifying spring in the Norther Hemisphere and Fall in the Southern.. Longer days, warmer days . . . I started thinking (always a dangerous proposition with me) pondering, even as the cue-tip cleaned out the crud in my ear. Ear Wax?

In the past I've written about the lo- Don't gistics of feet sweating something like Rush Me 91 quarts of sweat a year. I have delved into the mysterious differences between men and women. I have even had the courage to explore what happens to a penny after it is swallowed (thank you to the young Master Shamus Rush of 15 years ago for the memories).

I have provided, you the reader, a tons of wisdom about human anatomy and physiology. Which, to you may just seem A column by interesting. To those who know me, it is Don Rush downright amazing. Here's what I learned from my high school science teachers:

1). The Krebs Cycle has nothing to do with spoked (or unspoked) wheels;

2.) The mention of blood and guts makes my hands sweat and turns my face a paler shade of white, and;

3.) Relax before you faint because if you tense up you may break something upon impact with the cold, tiledfloor. (Who said the science department at Clarkston High School didn't teach anything?)

Today, I plan to further amaze you with more fascinating human body facts (as I know 'em).

Get ready to get down with ever-lovin' earwax.

Earwax is a good thing. No, I take that back. Earwax is a G-R-E-A-T thing. If it were a live thing -- aside from being a parasite -- it would be one of our body's super heroes.

In the dark and damp alleyway known as our ear canal, it is earwax that stops invaders from intruding our heads. It's like biologically produced fly paper. Dirt, water, small bugs -- nothing can penetrate our earwax defense. Well, I take that back, too. Those big pincered, brain-eating earwig things from the movie Star Trek 2: The Wrath of Kahn could make it inside our heads.

But, aside from science fiction critters, our earwax is a great first line of defense. Earwax is naturally slippery -- when water gets in your ear it runs out the ear canal, not in. And, it is acidic, which bums out infection causing bacteria. So, the next time you take a cotton swab to discard that sticky stuff from your body, take a moment and thank your earwax.

Guys, want to impress your gals, just recite the following facts sometime during your next date. She'll think you're smart (among other things).

Just what is earwax? Well, according to my extensive online research, I can safely say it is not paraffin, or anything like honeybees make. Earwax is mostly comprised of dead skin, sweat and oils.

How many glands are in your ear?

A. Zero

B. 26

C. 204

D. 2,000

It's incredible that we hear anything with all the glandular secretion going on inside our ears, but the correct answer is: D.

There are 2,000 glands inside our ears. Some maintain women gain more after marriage, which may or may not be why they can't hear their husbands. (I think I'm gonna' get in trouble for that one).

Get this . . . earwax comes in a variety of colors. It can be gray, yellow, pumpkin-orange or brown.

Which explains why medieval monks, scribes if you will, used earwax as pigments for illustrating manuscripts. E-e-ew-yuck-ee...

How many types of earwax are there?

Answer: Two -- wet and dry.

According to Japanese genetic-earwaxologists, wet wax is common among folks of European descent; dry wax is common in Asian peoples' ears. And, here's something else they found ...

"... Dr. Yoshiura and his colleagues suggest ... that earwax type and armpit odor are correlated, since populations with dry earwax, such as those of East Asia, tend to sweat less and have little or no body odor, while the wet earwax populations of Africa and Europe sweat more and so may have more body odor.

"Several Asian features, like small nostrils, are conjectured to be adaptations to the cold . . ."

Who woulda' thunk it?

What I couldn't find was how much earwax does the body produce. That said, I did my own mathematical equation. I can now be the first to say, with some certainty, that each ear produces enough wax to coat a single cotton swab every five days.

Five days divided into one year equals 73 swabs of earwax per ear. So, 73 swabs of earwax times two ears, leads me to believe that every year me and you produce enough ear wax to fill a chap stick cap (or there abouts). That said, I don't think we can make any earwax candles anytime soon.

E-mail your thoughts about human anatomy to DontRushDon@gmail.com



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Public Safety For Clarkston and Independence Township

Murderer sentenced

Joseph Gabriel Mauti, 32, was sentenced, March 14, to 60 to 100 years in prison for the

murder of Lindsey Mauti. He was found guilty of second-degree murder and animal torture in February. He killed his wife and dog on May 29, 2015, at their home on Cheshire Park Drive in Independence Township. Their two children were found unharmed in the home, and have been



Mauti

adopted by Lindsey's mother. Joseph was on probation at the time for a 2014 conviction for domestic violence. Judge Rae Lee Chabot exceeded sentencing guidelines, which called for a maximum of 50 years.

School suspensions

Clarkston School Board approved the long-term suspension of a high school student and expulsion of five junior high school students at their March 13 meeting. Four of the five junior high students were expelled for violating three items in the Student Code of Conduct - criminal acts, threats, and violations of a building's rules and regulations. The fifth student was expelled for criminal acts, substance abuse and violations of a building's rules and regulations. The high school student was suspended long-term for the same three violations, as well as violating items regarding disruption of school, failure to comply with directions of school personnel, failure to cooperate, smoking/tobacco, and weapons and dangerous instruments.

Friend of the Court warrant

A deputy picked up a 31-year-old White Lake man from White Lake police on a Friend of the Court warrant out of Independence Township and a misdemeanor warrant out of Auburn Hills, 10:16 a.m., March 18.

Stranger danger

Deputies are investigating a "stranger danger" incident at North Sashabaw Elementary after dismissal for the day, March 14. Security cameras showed a woman entering the building, walking in and out of classrooms, and taking items from one classroom. Staff members at the school stopped the woman and escorted her to the office and then out of the building. This individual is African-American, heavy-set and was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt. Deputies are still investigating. All staff members have been alerted and will be extra diligent in monitoring entrances and exits during the start and dismissal of school, administration said in an email. Oakland County Sheriff's Office is also seeking this and another woman in connection with larceny attempts at a Best Buy store in Novi. They have been seen in a red, late model Ford Explorer.

Written threat

School administration and police are investigating a threatening message written on the wall of a restroom stall at Clarkston High School, the morning of March 15. Investigation determined there was no credibility to the message. A photo of the message was shared on social media but then deleted.

Overdose

An Independence Township resident called 911 after finding her grandson, a 23-year-old Independence Township man, unconscious in his bedroom in the 5000 block of Hummingbird Lane, 4:57 p.m., March 18. She told deputies her grandson had returned from the methadone clinic earlier in the day, and when she went to check on him, he was unresponsive. Deputies administered a dose of Naloxone and a short time later he became conscious and alert. Paramedics from the Independence Township Fire Department stabilized the victim and took him to McLaren Hospital for further evaluation.





Jessica Ray, Kyle Brooks and Kyle Hughes get their robot off the rope it climbed at the end of the match.

Team RUSH heading to districts

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The two alliances were equal in the score but the Killer Bees had control issues at the other end of the field, causing them to die in the way of the climb. It gave the third seed alliance, Team RUSH, TORQ, and RoboSapiens the win by 50 points.

"The crowds exploded with celebration," Hughes shared. "It was amazing."

Team RUSH was also awarded the Engineering Inspiration Award, which celebrates outstanding success in advancing respect and appreciation for engineering within a team's community.

"Earning the respect of the other teams has become an institution," the judges shared. "Reaching out to 70 rookie teams with their training toolkit creates unity in the FIRST community. Spirit and a commitment to giving back to FIRST show the heart of this organization. Congratulations to Team #27, Team RUSH (Respect, Unity, Spirit, Heart)."

"This win was one of the highlights in

my 21 years," Hughes said. "It was unbelievable. My heart still pounds when I think of it. At this point in our careers, the highest 'team' award we can win is the Engineering Inspiration award, and we clinched that too. To have the two highest awards, was absolutely outstanding."

Another thrill for Team RUSH was having 180 students from CSMTech Academy at the events cheering them on.

"It was a tremendous showing of Clarkston support," Hughes said. "They had the entire gymnasium rocking with cheers. It felt like the state championship. Thank you to CSMTech for being so supportive! Coming back to class, the CSMTech students are still all buzzing about the tournament. They had no idea how crazy or exciting the tournament would be or how loud it would be! It was a win-win for both the team and the CSMTech students."

Team RUSH now focuses on their next tournament in Howell for another FIRST District event, March 30 - April 1.



Amy Allen and Mike Olsen spin around to the Chicken Dance in front of the students as Team RUSH gets on the field. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price

Sporting News

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Lead over Cougars for crown

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looked or how we played. Hopefully we learned from it."

Sophomore Taylor Currie opened the game with the first two points followed by another basket from junior CJ Robinson.

Stoney Creek's Tanner Dean tried to slow the Wolves down with his 3-point shot but it hit the rim.

Moments later junior Foster Loyer widened the gap by two points from the free throw line.

Stoney Creek's next two scoring attempts tied the score at five with a basket from John Carson and a field goal from Michael Meleragni.

"I was up last night thinking that team was going to give us fits," said Fife. "We played them four years ago in a district final and we had the same problems because they move the ball so well. They run their steps well and they are well-coached."

Loyer broke the tie at the 4-minute mark with a 3-pointer. Currie followed catching the Cougars' rebound and scoring a basket.

The Wolves added seven more points before the quarter closed with baskets from Robinson and Loyer and a 3-pointer from Alderson, 17-9.

Alderson scored six points to open the next stanza. Loyer was next to help the Wolves as he scored a field goal off a pass

from Alderson.

The duo continued to lead the team as Alderson scored five more points and Loyer finished the first half with one more point from the line, 32-17.

"We made a lot of mistakes in our offense," said Fife. "We turned the ball over a lot which I don't think we did at all against (Macomb) Dakota. Our defense was good especially with those kind of points. Usually when you don't play well, you don't guard well. In some ways I am pretty happy with the way we guarded. We still beat them by 20 - that's a good win."

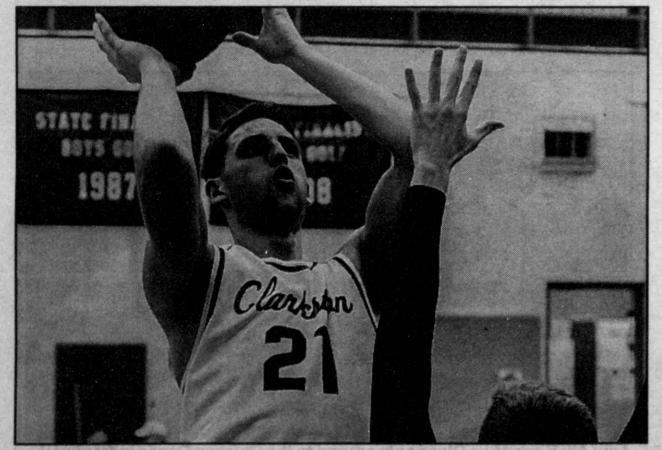
Alderson led the team with 29 points and scored four 3-pointers.

"Dylan shot the ball pretty well," said Fife. Loyer scored 14 points and had three field goals and Robinson had nine points with one 3-pointer.

"We just have to realize the ball is pretty important," Fife said going into quarterfinals. "You work to get it, so take care of it."

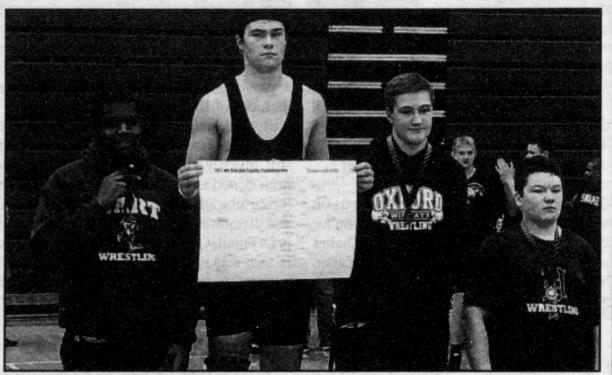
The MHSAA Boys Basketball Semifinals for Class A are on Friday at 1 p.m. and the finals are at 12 p.m. on Saturday. Both games are played at the Breslin Center at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

The MHSAA Boys Basketball Quarterfinals were played on Tuesday at the time of publication. See how the Wolves did on www.ClarkstonNews.com.



Senior Dylan Alderson jumps and shoots past Stoney Creek's guard during the regional final on March 15. Photo by Larry Wright/WrightActionPix

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Eighth grader Rocco Spindler wins his second Oakland County 7th & 8th Wrestling tournament. Photo provided

Repeat champion

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Eighth grader Rocco Spindler kept his pinning streak going as he took down three opponents at the Oakland County 7th & 8th Wrestling tournament for his second county title, March 11.

"It was huge," said the Clarkston Junior High School student. "It is the biggest meet of the year. You have to wrestle hard. You need to want it if you want to win. I did."

Spindler added it's also about the drive and his drive is to keep going.

"Don't stop. Do the best you can do," he said. "It is like my grandfather once said. 'you gotta want it' and I do."

Following the county meet he was 20-0 with all wins from pins and shared what has led to his succes in winning.

"I don't look at their record sheet," he explained. "I don't ask how good they are,

and I don't ask how big they are. I just go out and wrestle because they're only as good as the match they wrestle. It isn't the size of the dog in the fight - it is the size of the fight in the dog."

He added you also can't be nervous which he encounters from his opponents since he stands at 6-foot-3.

"Everyone says to me 'you're only good because of your size," he shared. "It is not true."

He explained while his friends are using their summer to have fun he is using the off season to train for wrestling and football.

The example comes from his parents, Marc and Rochelle, who taught Rocco and his three sisters the off season is time to train.

"Nothing is ever handed to you, you have to go out and work for it," Rocco

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The Clarkston Boys Basketball team celebrates winning the regional crown on March 15. Photos by Larry Wright

Cagers bring home regional title in post-season

The Wolves took control from the get-go in their regional final game against Stoney Creek at Grand Blanc High School, March 15.

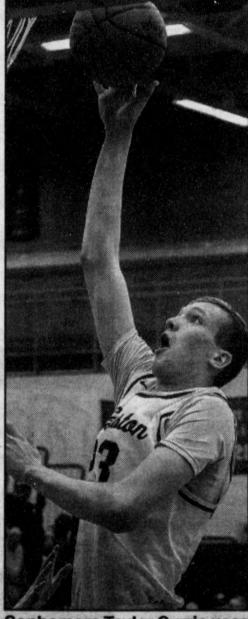
The end result was Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball winning their fifth regional crown in the last ten seasons with a 56-36 win over the Cougars, 13th since Dan Fife became head coach.

Senior Dylan Alderson led the boys against the Cougars with 29 points. Junior Foster Loyer scored 14 points and junior CJ Robinson added nine points during the win.

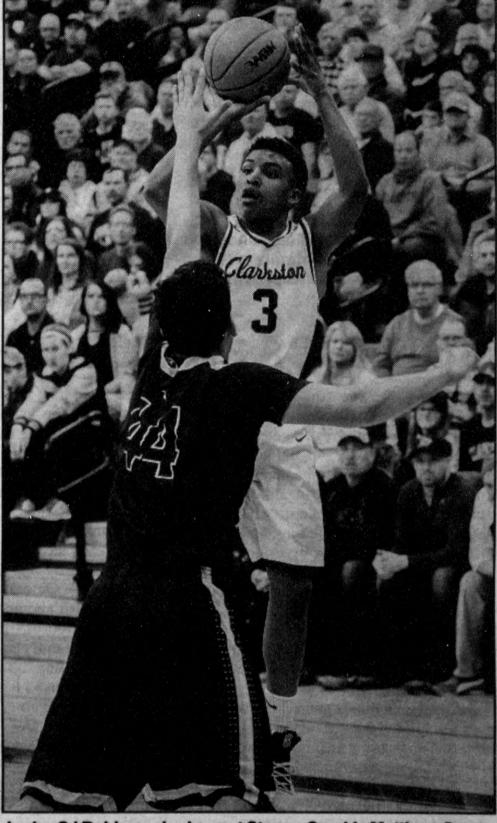
The boys took on Saginaw in the quarterfinals on Tuesday, after The Clarkston News went to press. Please check www.ClarkstonNews.com for results.



Junior Foster Loyer doesn't let Macomb Dakota's block stop him for making a basket during the MHSAA Boys Basketball Regional Semifinals, March 13.



Sophomore Taylor Currie uses his 6-foot-9 height to score a basket against Stoney Creek.



Junior CJ Robinson looks past Stoney Creek's Matthew Caruso for an opportunity to score during the regional final game.



Kindergartner Michael Fielbrandt enjoys a book about animals during Reading Palooza. Photos provided



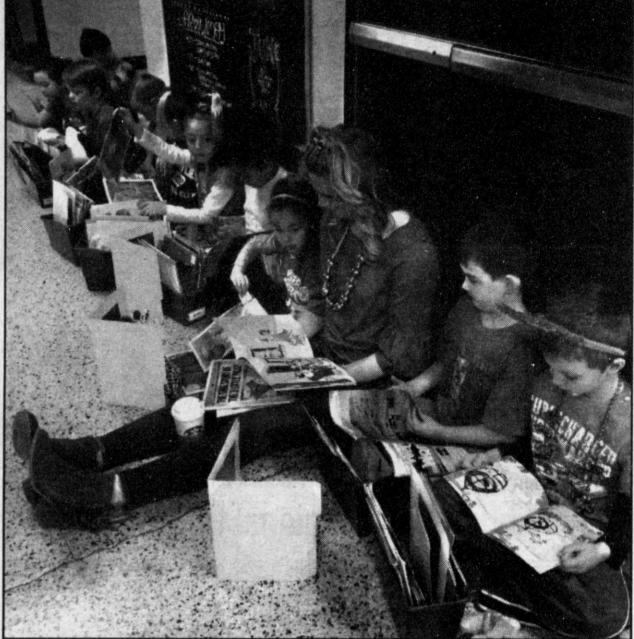
Students get comfortable during morning reading time.

Morning read

Clarkston Elementary students spent last Friday morning lining the hallways with books for their school's Reading Palooza to celebrate March is Reading Month.

The kids read different book but the book Clarkston Elementary is reading as a school is The Lemonade War.

How are you celebrating March is Reading Month? Share your photos at clarkstonnews@gmail.



Students and teachers line the hallways as they enjoy spending time surrounded by books during March is Reading Month.

Spindler shares lessons

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shared. "I am fine with this because where will playing around ever get you? For football and wrestling, I am training my butt off seven days a week to be the best, and I know I will be the best. Like Arnold Schwarzenegger once said, when your hanging out with friends playing around, putting no time in, your opponent is working harder than you to be the best."

He began wrestling when he was around 4-years-old and admitted he didn't know much.

"When coach asked me to get into my stance, I got into my football stance," Rocco remembered.

He also remembers not liking wrestling, the sport his dad wanted him to try, because he was always going against kids who were older and more experienced.

"My dad and mom kept me in it to make me a better football player," Rocco said and added it helped make him tough. "Wrestling is a tough sport. You just have to be

tougher."

Out of all the lessons he has learned from his family, one from his dad always stands out.

"My father says the ball eventually stops bouncing - what are you going to do when the ball stops," Rocco shared. "It comes back to school.'

He already has his vision on continuing his education by attending University of Notre Dame or Ohio State University.

When he isn't competing or training for wrestling or football he enjoys spending time with his family and being outdoors.

"I love hunting," Rocco said. "It's one of the No. 1 things I like to do in my spare time including fishing, going to the cabin and farming."

His advice to aspiring athletes is to "keep your head straight, keep in sports and try to stay out of trouble. Stay in school because that's the real thing in life. What are you going to do after your sports? Sports can only go for so long."



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Everest prepares for gala

BY JESSICA STEELEY

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Kicking off their Silver Anniversary, Everest Collegiate High School and Academy is celebrating 25 years of excellence with their 25th Gala Auction.

"This is an annual Gala Everest does every year," Gala Chairperson Lori Skibo said. "It's our biggest fundraiser, with guest count usually coming in over 300."

The yearly gala takes several months of planning and preparation. Everest's Advancement Administrator Mary Williams said they set the date a year in advance, book the venue the previous spring, and sit down and figure out how to put everything into place in the fall.

"We really kick off at the beginning of the year. Right after the holidays is all the heavy lifting," Skibo said.

The night's agenda includes a silent auction from 5-7 p.m., with dinner and a live auction kicking off at 7 p.m.

"We have a grand raffle, we have a one-

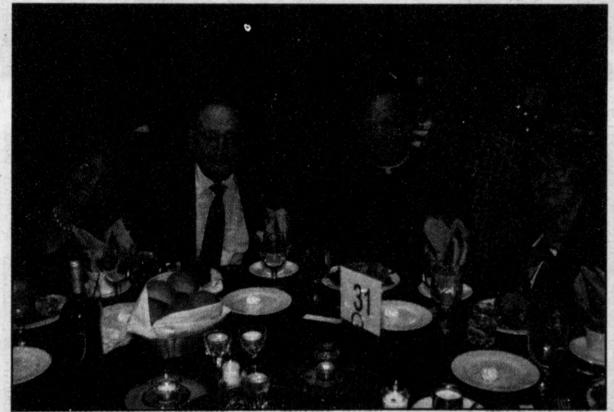
in-25 raffle, where we sell 25 raffle tickets and you have a one in 25 percent chance to win a Florida trip," Skibo said. "The grand raffle is a \$10,000 grand prize and second prize is \$3,000 and then third prize is \$2,000. We also have the chance to win free tuition in a separate raffle."

Skibo invites the public to attend the gala and said they're always looking for sponsorships and donations for the auctions.

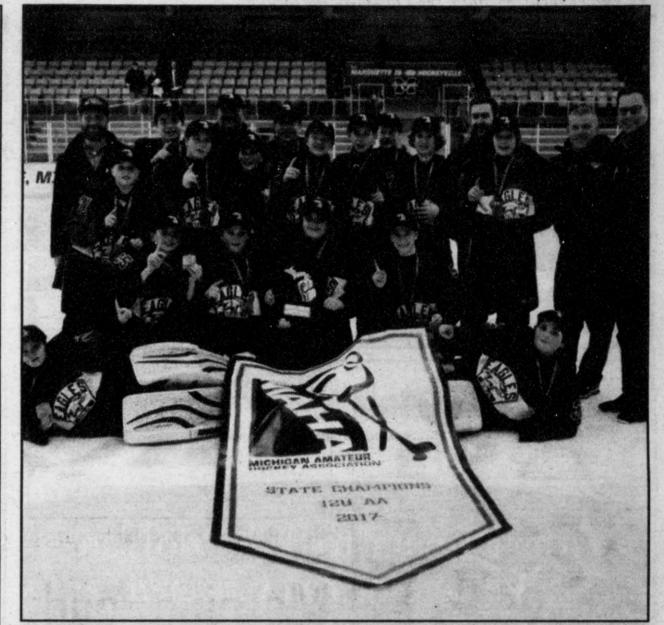
Turnout is usually 50 percent of attendees from the Everest community and the other half from the public.

"As we celebrate 25 years this year, we are celebrating our growth as a school," Williams said. "We have most recently been recognized by the Cardinal Newman Society since 2014 and the U.S. Department of Education since 2016 as a school of excellence."

The event is at the CenterPoint Marriott in Auburn Hills on Saturday, April 1. Tickets are \$150 per person.



Attendees enjoy last year's Gala Auction for Everest Collegiate High School and Academy. Photo provided



The '04 USA Eagles win the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association State Tournamnet in Marquette. Photo submitted

Champions in hockey

Sashabaw Middle School seventh graders Drew Stewart and Tyler Pauly, and teammates on the 04 USA Eagles, out of the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills, celebrated their win as Michigan Amateur Hockey Association (MAHA) State Tournament Champions.

The boys both play defense and have played together since 2011.

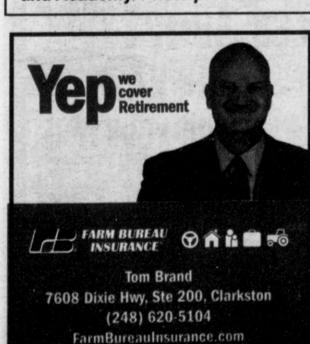
The team, consisting of 12- and 13 yearolds, competed in the PeeWee AA Division which advanced them to the state tournament held in Marquette in early March by winning their District 4 playoffs.

The Eagles, lead by Head Coach Tod

Hartje, banded together to achieve an impressive season record of 40-16-6 against a formidable slate of Tier 2 and Tier 1 opponents from Michigan, Ontario and across the United States.

The Eagles were also runners up in the Little Caesars Amateur Hockey League (LCAHL) Championship, captured the Yzerman regular season title, the Mid-Michigan Silver Stick Regional Championship and advanced to the International Silver Stick quarterfinals.

This year marks the third time in four years the 04 USA Eagles competed in the MAHA State Championship.







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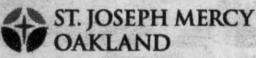
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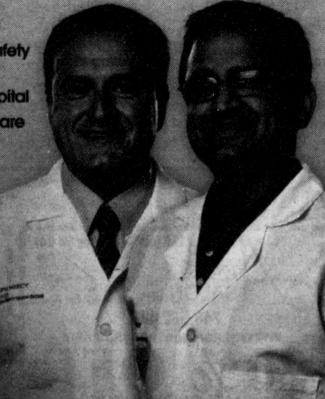
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The event, hosted by Allure Vein Center, is free and open to the public. It will include complimentary appetizers, wine and other refreshments. Reservations are strongly encouraged, as seating is limited.

Attendees will receive a coupon for a complimentary pair of compression socks, and will have an opportunity to book a free leg exam at Dr. Pensler's office.

Topics will include clearing up misconceptions regarding treatments, which no longer includes vein stripping or lengthy hospital stays, and review of modern treatments, which are covered by most health insurance plans.

She works with patients suffering the effects of poor leg circulation at Allure's Clarkston office, 7300 Dixie Highway.

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Writer honored for sci-fi short story

BY JESSICA STEELEY

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Aspiring artists and writers from the Midwest were honored at the 2017 Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, including one of Clarkston's own students, senior Emma Lohmeier.

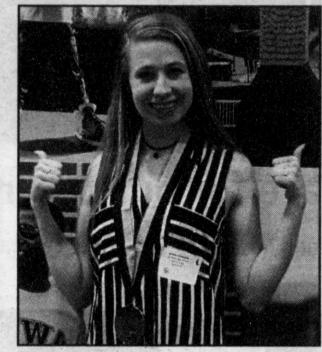
Lohmeier received a medal and honorable mention for her short story "Waiting for Inevitability" in the Science Fiction/Fantasy category during the awards ceremony on March 11 at the University of Iowa.

"It was about a man who could see into the future all the time," Lohmeier said of her original work. "Every second of his day he can see what he's going do in the future and he can't do anything about it."

Time-travel movies gave Lohmeier the idea for her piece. She's always had a problem with stories allowing people to change the

"I don't think you can change the future. I think the future is as set in stone as the past is," Lohmeier said. "That's why I wrote the short story because he can see into the future, but he can't do anything about it. It's taking my theory and putting it in a short story."

Laura Mahler, Lohmeier's Advanced Placement Literature teacher, told her class about the contest in relation to an assigned



Emma Lohmeier with her medal at the University of Iowa. Photo provided

writing assignment. The students had to submit the assignment to a writing contest and Mahler suggested the Scholastic Awards.

Lohmeier said she and her friend, Alex, decided to submit their pieces. They spent one lunch period every week for two months editing their work with their teacher.

This fall Lohmeier plans to attend Central Michigan University as an education major and she hopes to add a second major or

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minor in writing.

"I've been interested in writing since ninth grade," Lohmeier said. "Some teacher told me to write a horror short story and I got really excited and after I wrote it I was like 'Oh my gosh.'"

She even did an independent study last semester to work on a novel, which she's been writing for a year.

"It's very impressive, we're very proud," said Beth, Lohmeier's mother, of her daughter's writing. "There were well over a thousand people (at the ceremony). It was basically an hour of all these important people telling (the contestants) how wonderful they are."

The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards is the country's longest-running and most prestigious scholarship and recognition program for creative students in seventh through 12h grade.

Nearly 10,000 art and writing works from the Midwest were judged by the University of Iowa's Belin-Blank Center. Renowned alumni of the award include Andy Warhol, Sylvia Plath and Stephen King.

"It's really interesting the names of the alumni - that was kind of exciting," Beth said. "It really made you realize what a big deal this is with these huge names who also were awarded this."

Wildlife rehab session at Independence Oaks

Oakland County Parks and Recreation hosts a wildlife rehabilitation session on Sunday, March 26, from 2-3:30 p.m. at Wint Nature Center.

DNR Licensed Wildlife Rehabilitator Holly Hadac will cover what is involved in wildlife rehabilitation including the DNR licensing and continuing education requirements, needs of taking in wild animals, how to set limits, what the associated costs are and more. Hadac will show how rewarding and challenging it can be to save the life of a wild animal.

Hadac has been a wildlife rehabilitator for 20 years and is licensed by the Michigan DNR. She specializes in large mammals and coyote education. She is also an assistant researcher with the Southeastern Michigan Coyote Research Project, trapping, radio collaring and tracking coyotes in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

The information session is free with park entry. Wint Nature Center is located in Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road. To register, contact NawrockiM@oakgov.com or call 248-858-0916.



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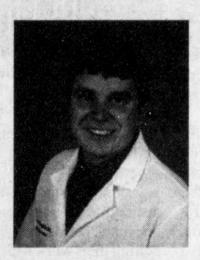
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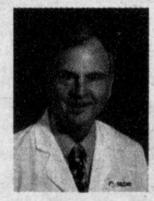
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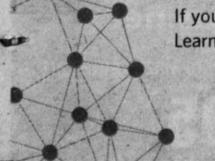
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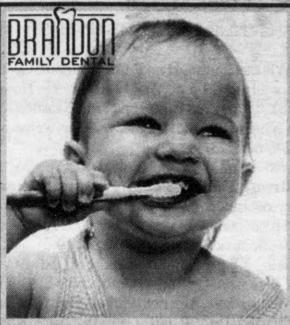
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Book shares memories of son's life

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Dr. Nedra J. Downing's new book "When Tom Went West" is personal for the author, sharing the story of her son, Tom Hollar.

"Its purpose is to remember Tom and go through healing – remembering is good," Downing said. "I was really afraid my son would only be remembered for his sensational death."

Hollar was murdered in a gang carjacking in Denver in 1993, where he became a symbol of a summer of violence suffered by the area at the time.

"They were having a lot of drive-by shootings," Downing said. "Every year there's a candlelight vigil, just to remember Tom. We held a candle vigil on July 23, 2016, in Denver at dusk at the place Tom died. We were so pleased that 20 people still attended 23 years after Tom's death."

The book chronicles Hollar's life in Michigan and his move to Denver where he became a successful entrepreneur.

"The first half is schmaltzy, about my son growing up in Flushing," Downing said. "He had an exceptionally good childhood. It was fun, going back over the memories. We did a lot of things."

He and his sisters Margaret and Laura were raised with solid family traditions.

"I pushed for the traditional family dinner," Nedra said. "Every time he came home, we would have dinner together. Looking back, I'm glad about that."

He and his friends liked to gather in the back yard or playroom, playing with army men and matchbox cars in his sandbox, building wooden forts, and later building a skateboard ramp in the backyard.

"It took up the whole yard," Nedra said.
"Kids from all over Flushing would come
over. I don't remember anybody getting
hurt."

He attended Western Michigan for two years, then went west to Wyoming at age 22, where he worked on a ranch.

He later moved to Denver, where he set up a store called Imi Jimi, selling sunglasses, skateboards, shoes, and trendy garments, and sponsoring a teen skateboard team.

"He went with nothing, and started a business," Nedra said. "He met his wife, Christina. They did very well."

On July 23, 1993, two Crips gang members were cruising the parking lot of their apartment building looking for victims when they found Tom and Christina in their car.

"They shot him," Nedra said. "I've had dreams about some of this. It's in the book. We got a call that night and flew to Denver."

She wrote about the walk to the morgue to identify her son.

"It was like he wasn't my son anymore – he was a piece of evidence," she said. "He looked like he was just asleep, like it was a prank."



Dr. Nedra Downing's new book is a memoir of her son, Tom Hollar. Photo by Phil Custodio

Christina was beaten but saved by police. The gang members were caught, convicted, and sentenced to life in prison without parole.

The tragedy of the event and the subsequent trial and convictions of the gang members in the random violent attack were heavily covered by local news and marked a pivotal moment for the city.

"Seeing him on the TV news made it seem real," Nedra said. "We didn't know what a big deal it would be in Denver."

Dr. Downing had just opened her first office on Sashabaw Road when this tragedy occurred.

"Writing poetry helped me express emotions as I lived through these events," she said. "These poems are part of the book."

She also included a large number of photos of Tom and events in his life, including many around the Denver community's response to Tom's death and the trial.

"I went through lots of photos, and eliminated lots," she said. "The work was very therapeutic. I don't cry about it as much anymore but it shaped my life for sure."

"When Tom Went West" is available at Amazon.com, softcover and eBook; Tattered Cover Bookstore in Denver or online at www.tatteredcover.com/when-tom-went-west; and The Downing Clinic, 5715 Bella



Tom Hollar

Rose Blvd., Suite 100, which Nedra founded and is now retired.

"I still like to write. I have a very good life, working here for 20 years," she said. "Retirement has been good."

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Events

Office hours, state Rep. Jim Tedder, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., March 24, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. No appointment necessary. 517-373-0615.

Mom2Mom Sale, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., March 25, Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. \$1.8-9 a.m. Early Buyer, \$2.

Body, Mind, Gree Community Expo, 5:30-8 p.m., Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, March 30, Clarkston High School, 6093 Flemings Lake Road. Health and oral hygiene screenings, water quality demonstration, cardio drumming, cooking, gardening, exhibitors, vendors, education. Free. 248-625-8055.

Truth or Belief: What is the Difference, A Conversation, 7:30-9 p.m., March 30, Clarkston Independence District Library community meeting room, 6495 Clarkston Road. Led by distinguished emeritus professor and retired professional counselor Dr. Thomas K. Stone. 248-625-2212.

Baskets and Barks for Canine Companions Rescue Center, 12-5 p.m., April 8, Camp Bow Wow, 6374 Sashabaw Road. With a donation, dogs pick out an egg filled with treats, toys, discount coupons, and other goodies. lorilammon@gmail.com.

Blood drive, American Red Cross, 2-7:45 p.m., April 11, St. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw Road. 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767).

Community Impact Weekend, April 29-30 and Nov. 4-5, projects for qualified low-income families and seniors, local veterans, non-profit service projects. 248-625-8055.

Sunday

Donation-only class benefitting O.A.T.S., Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Yoga Oasis, 6160 Dixie Highway behind Pete's Coney. All welcome. 248-770-5388.

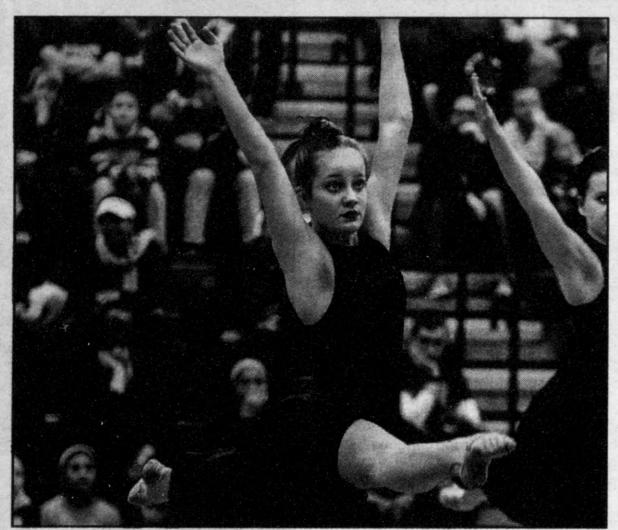
Monday

Meditation Class, Intuitive Exercise, March 20, 7-9 p.m., \$25. Journey To Health Chakra, 5770 S. Main St., Suite C. Register, 248-505-8010.

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

Around Jown

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



Kristen Cumming performs during the Clarkston Varsity Dance team's final half-time performance, March 2. Photo by Larry Wright

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

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

Grocery Store Class by Nuview Nutrition, Mondays, 6-7 p.m., smart shopping for wallet and diet, at Kroger store, Dixie Highway and Maybee Road. Group tours, \$20. Private classes by appointment, \$80/person. 248-625-5143.

Indoor Pickleball, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, 9-11:30 a.m., all skills, \$3 drop in; Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., experienced and competitive, \$4 drop in, First Congregations Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road. Call Mary, 248-625-8231.

Tuesday

Financial Health for 2017 with Mike Kastler, Tuesday, March 28, 6-7:30 p.m. Get started with personal financial plan. \$20. RSVP, 248-625-5143.

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.

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

Nuview Nutrition Meet & Greet, 6:30-8 p.m., first Tuesdays, free, 7300 Dixie Highway

Suite 500. Pre-register, 248-625-5143.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages, 7 p.m., April 11, Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. Topic: The Seasons Are Changing, But am I? Free, walk-ins welcome, 248-625-5231.

Wednesday

Breast Thermography Pictures to detect breast cancer, Wednesday, March 29, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Journey To Health Chakra, 5770 S. Main St., Suite C. Register, 248-505-8010.

Clarkston Optimist Club, 7:30-8:30 a.m Wednesdays, American Legion Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road, north of I-75, www.clarkstonoptimist.org

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.

Coffee and Conversation, Thursdays quarterly, April 27, July 27, 10:30 a.m., Bartsch Hall, senior center in Clintonwood Park. Moderator, Tom Stone. All invited. \$1 donation for coffee.

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

Clarkston Area Lions Club, second and fourth Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Big Boy restaurant, 6644 Dixie Highway. 248-802-8603.

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

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

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

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Obituaries &:

Steven G. Boman, 63

Steven G. Boman, "Steve," of White Lake, formerly of Bloomfield Hills, passed away March 15, 2017, at age

He was preceded in death by his father William Boman. He was the son of Suzanne Boman; loving father of Paul (Tricia) Boman, proud grandpa of Tyler, Griffin, Trinity and Lukas; brother of Scott



(Michelle) Boman, Jan (Brian) Ives and Lee (Kim) Boman.

Steve was an avid fisherman and enjoyed spending his time shooting pool, playing poker and being a good friend to many.

Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. A memorial gathering will be held on April 2, 2017. Go to the online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com for more details.

Joyce A. Butler, 82

Joyce A. Butler of Clarkston passed away March 15, 2017, at age 82.

She was preceded in death by her husband Dick. She was the loving mother of Richard Butler, Connie (John) Morgan and Susan (Tim) Robbins; proud granny of Stephanie (Adam) Loomis, Sarah (Brian) Johnson, Samantha (Adam) Cecil, Miranda (Eric Smith)



Morgan, Michael (Sharon) Robbins and Ashley Robbins; great granny of Ani Cecil, Jack Robbins, Troy Johnson and Aubree Johnson; dear sister of Barbara Oates and Judy (Charles) McMichael.

Joyce was an active member of Calvary Lutheran Church. She enjoyed playing Bridge and the many friendships that it brought her.

Visitation was March 17 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Service was March 18 at Calvary Lutheran Church, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund or Hospice of Michigan.

Online guestbookwww.wintfuneral

Jack E. Dutcher, 87

Jack E. Dutcher of Goodrich passed away peacefully on March 15, 2017, at age 87.

He was preceded in death by his loving

wife Shirley of 64 years, daughter Darlene Ridley, grandson Tanner Downs, his parents Ervin and Hazel Dutcher and his siblings Ervin Dutcher Jr., Monroe Dutcher and Loisann Cain. He was the loving father of Debra (Clifford)



Wilkerson, Suzanne (Kenneth) Friddle and Cynthia (Kevin) Wilson; father-in-law of Bob Downs; foster father of Krista Thomas and special uncle of Dan Rowden; cherished papa and grampie of 11 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren; brother of Delores Gaudard; also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Jack was a veteran of the Korean War.

He retired from Fisher Body-Orion Plant in 1983 and enjoyed his retirement years traveling with Shirley in their motor homes. His motto in life was to "THINK POSITIVE". He loved fishing, socializing and gardening, but nothing brought more light to his eyes than his grandkids and great grandkids.

Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. A celebration of life gathering will be held at a later date. Inurnment Great Lakes National Cemetery with his wife Shirley. Online guestbookwww.wintfuneralhome.com.

Edward Sutterfield, 54

Edward E. Sutterfield of Clarkston passed away March 19, 2017, after a courageous battle with cancer, at age 54.

He was the husband of Doris; father of William (Sarah); brother of Mike (Paula) Sutterfield and Pam (Tom) Borsh; also survived by many nieces, nephews and Freitag family members.



He loved his dogs. Celebration of Life

service, Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Donations may be made to the family to help defray medical expenses. Online guestbook www.wintfuneral home.com.

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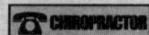
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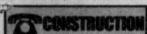
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO:

2017-374, 794-DE

Estate of Gus Gilbert. Date of birth: 5/1/1923 TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Gus Gilbert, died 1/ 10/2017

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jon B. Munger, personal representative or proposed personal representative to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. March 16, 2017

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 02 13 2017 MINUTES

Call to Order at 7:00 PM. Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Mayor Percival, Wylie, Marsh, Kneisc, Haven, Detkowski, Catallo, Present. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Haven, Supported by Detkowski to approve the agenda. Motion Carried. Consent Agenda: Motion by Wylie, Supported Percival to approve the Treasurer Report and Minutes 01 09, 01 12, and 01 23 2017. Motion Carried. Sheriff Report: December 2016 and January 2017. Motion by Wylie, Supported by Catallo, to approve the Mission Statement and members for the Communication Committee. Members are Jordan Bellant, Mike Cascone, Karen Eckert and Sue Wylie. Motion Carried. Resolution by Catallo, Supported by Wylie to Approve and sign the Amendment to the Storm Water Control Easement Agreement Between Clarkston United Methodist Church, Clarkston Community Schools, and the City of Clarkston. Resolution was Adopted. Motion by Marsh, Supported by Wylie to approve the reappointment of Joel Hoffman to the Board of Review Commission. Motion Carried. Motion by Wylie, Supported by Detkowski to adjourn at 8:00 PM. Motion Carried. Questions call Sandy Miller, City Clerk 248-625-1559

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know CLARKSTON **PUBLIC NOTICE**

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT STREET CLARKSTON, MI 48346
PLANNING COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING** TUESDAY APRIL 11, 2017 7 PM

A combination of 5 lots on the corner of M-15 and Waldon Dr.

Anyone planning to attend the meeting who has need of special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is asked to contact the City Clerk's

Office at 248-625-1559 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Staff will be pleased to make the necessary arrangements.

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CLARKSTON **PUBLIC NOTICE**

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT STREET **CLARKSTON, MI 48346** PLANNING COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING** WEDNESDAY APRIL 12, 2017 7 PM

A rezoning is being requested for 42 W Washington to from R2 to Village Commercial.

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City Clerk, Sandy Miller

Spring into Action

My Habitat Clarkston hosts the Spring into Action fund raiser, 5-9 p.m., Saturday, March 25, at Bowman Auto Center, 9603 Dixie Highway, near Davisburg Road.

The event will include local restaurants and bar service, auction, live entertainment by The Locals, and vintage cars.

It will support the upcoming Clarkston **Davisburg Community Impact Weekend**

The weekends, April 29-30 and Nov. 4-5, will include Habitat projects, assisting qualified low-income familes and seniors with home and yard work, helping local veterans and their families, and other service projects.

To place projects on the list for assistance, volunteering, and partnership information, call 248-625-8055.

Barks for Bids

Canine Companions Rescue Center of Clarkston hosts a Barks for Bids online auction, March 27-April 1.

More than 50 gift baskets, gift certificates, handmade crafts, and other items will be auctioned on the "caninecompanions rescuecenter" Facebook page.

For more information, email lorilammon@ gmail.com.

Around Town

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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.

Friday

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

Saturday

Project Kidsight, free vision screening for children, Clarkston Area Lions Club, second Saturday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212, www.clarkstonlions.org.

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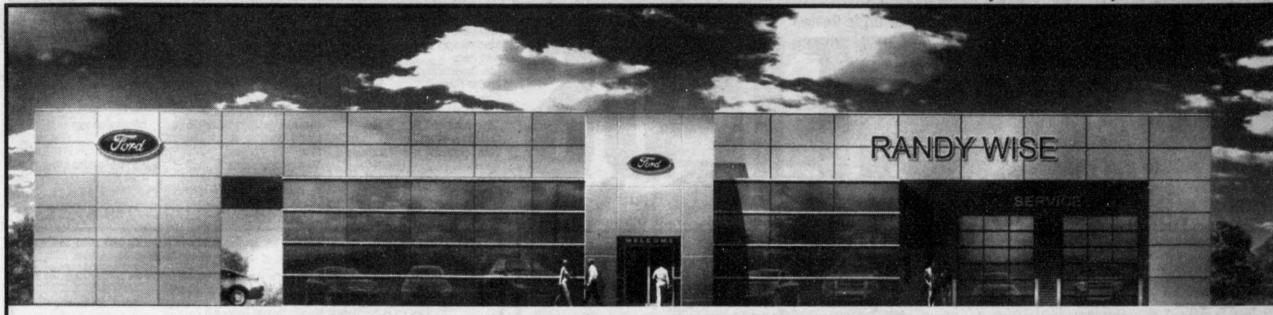
PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

375 DEPOT STREET **CLARKSTON, MI 48346** ZBA COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING** TUESDAY APRIL 18, 2017 7 PM

A review of the rear yard setback variance previously granted by the ZBA on 03/07/2017 for the construction of a garage at 65 N Holcomb.

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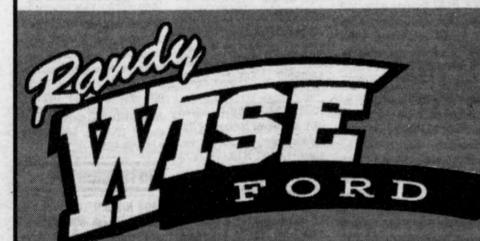
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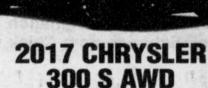
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From left are North Sashabaw Elementary Destination Imagination team members Noah Zabinski, Jake Campbell, Zack Scherler, Sam Chick, Kate Meyer, and Eva Bousho. *Photo provided*

Success at regionals for Destination Imagination

The North Sashabaw Elementary fifth grade team is heading to the Destination Imagination State Tournament after success at the regional tournament, March 11.

The fifth graders competed at the middle school level because they have one team member in sixth grade at Sashabaw Middle School.

"Despite it being their first year doing improv and being the youngest in their age

group, they placed second in the Improv category," said parent volunteer Stacey Bousho. "They also received the highest score in their category for their instant challenge. They are headed to state competitions in April. What a huge accomplishment!"

All Clarkston teams placed at regionals this year, earning spots at the state tournament, Bousho said.

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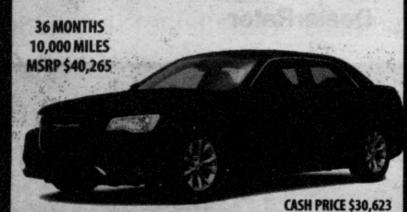
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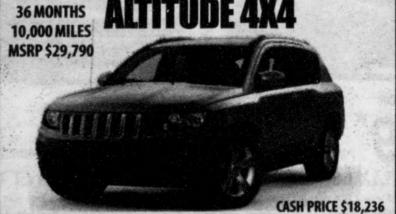
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