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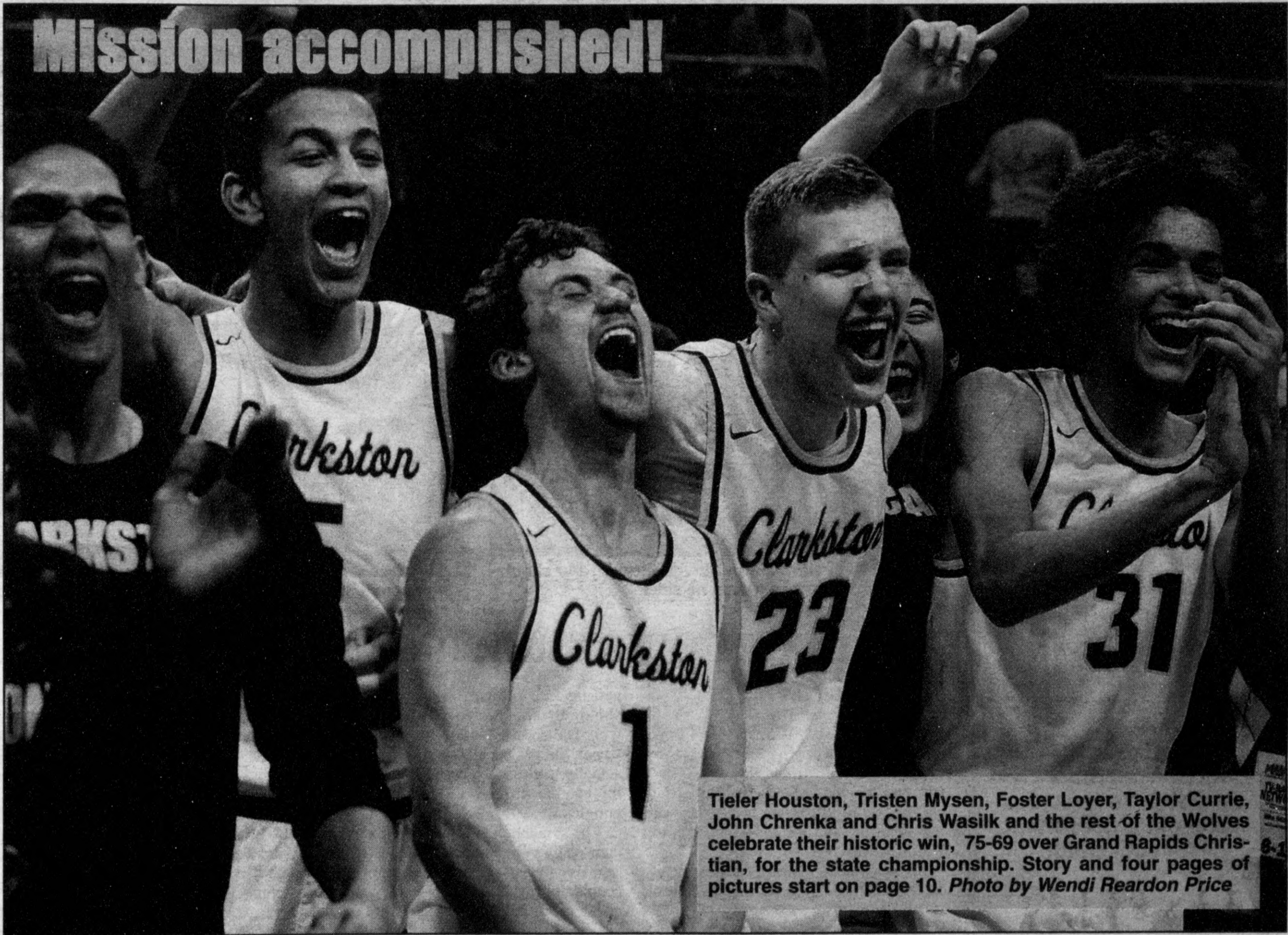
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Sophomore Joshua Luther drives through the simulation. The screen shows what he sees.



Foundation Event worker Tim Bulhuis puts simulation goggles on junior Maddy Booms. Photos by Jessica Steeley



Senior Jenna Sommerville finishes her driving simulation.

Simulator puts students in driver's seat

BY JESSICA STEELEY

Clarkston News Staff Writer

For Tara Wasik, of Szott Automotive Group, distracted driving is personal.

"My son's best friend was killed by a driver six months ago - it's so deadly," said Wasik. "We're just trying to get the word out there, try and get these kids to stop texting and driving."

Szott provided a vehicle for a virtual reality driving simulator at Clarkston High School, March 23.

The simulator was created by The PEERS Foundation, a national non-profit health and wellness company. PEERS Foundation Director of Corporate Education Partnerships Kenny Lyles said they put on educational programs for young adults and students.

"We do everything from STEM education to drunk driving prevention, nutrition education and, of course, the distracted driving program," Lyles said.

The simulator was attached to a real vehicle to make the experience more tangible for students.

"The students are actually going to be

getting into the car," Lyles said. "The simulator attaches to all the bells and whistles of the vehicle so the steering wheel, the gas pedal, the brake pedal will actually work as they manipulate their way through the virtual world using the virtual goggles."

The simulation allowed students to pull their phones out and text while also trying to drive. Lyles said sometimes they put a couple students in the car, because incidents go up when multiple teenagers are in the vehicle.

"It simulates a real driving situation and shows them what can happen if they take their eyes off the road for just a second," Wasik said.

Lyles said the PEERS Foundation started the program due to the dramatic statistics involving teen accidents resulting from distracted driving.

"We do about 3,000 events around the country and right now this simulator's on tour in the Midwest," Lyles said. "We've found out there's been a great deal of support from auto dealerships and auto

manufacturers with this initiative. They want their drivers and their cars to be safe."

Technology used by the foundation helps bring awareness to the problem in a way that makes sense for teenage drivers.

"Kids like the technology and if you can bring something to them that they like and also bring awareness to a huge problem that kills kids, it makes a real good impact," Lyles said.

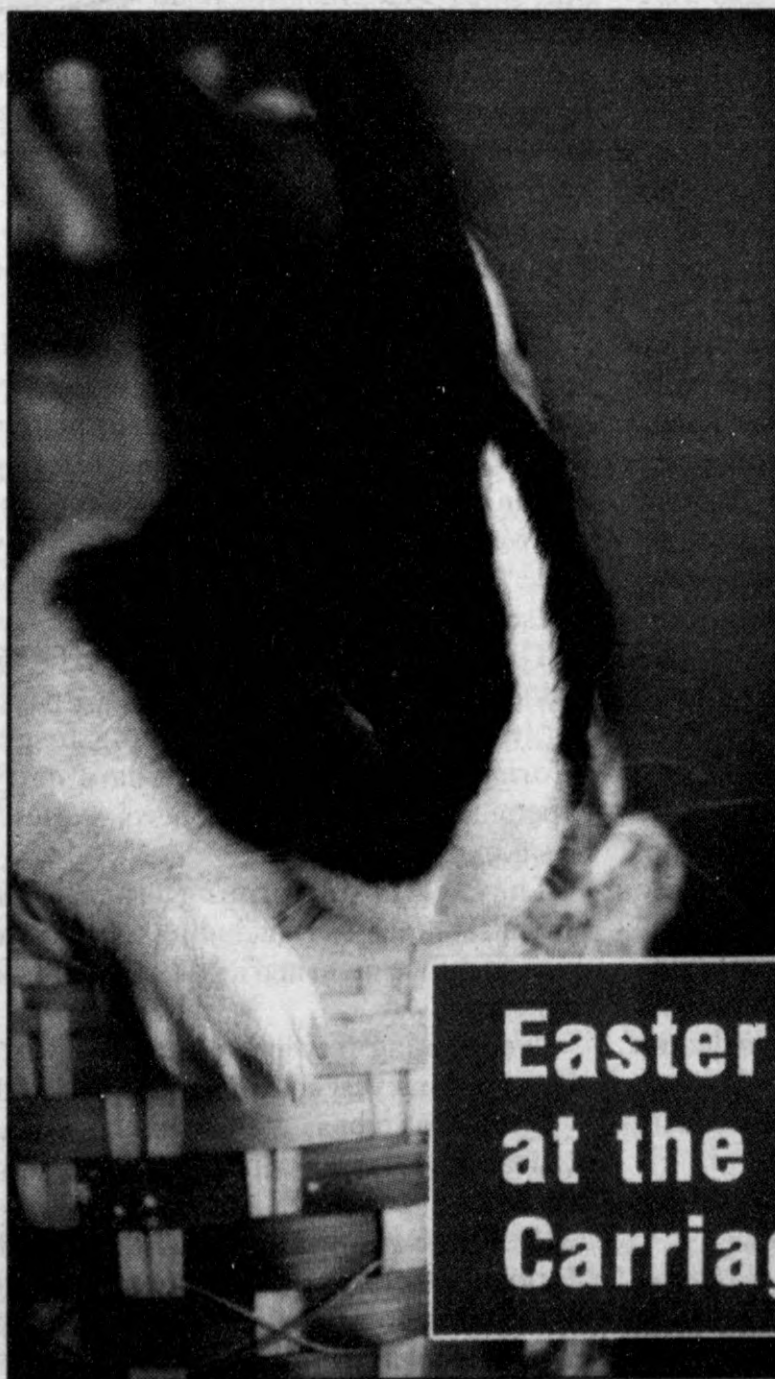
Students lined up in the high school's performing arts center to take turns experiencing the simulator. Driving an actual car during the virtual reality scenario imprints the students with muscle memory, Lyles said. When they get into their own cars, it's exactly like the simulator.

"It's a real life impactful program, we don't do any lecturing, we let the machine do all the work and all the talking for us - that's one good thing about it," Lyles said. "When the kids get out, they will literally understand multitasking behind the wheel is dangerous."

Ally Bank sponsored the event along with Szott Automotive Group.



Head Coach Dan Fife presents the state championship trophy to the team at Michigan State University's Breslin Center on Saturday. Photo by Larry Wright



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Michael Johnson, who has early onset Parkinson's, and his wife, Stacy, created a non-profit group to help others with the disease. Photo by Phil Custodio

New foundation for Parkinson's

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Michael Johnson's symptoms over the last few years would be familiar to sufferers of Parkinson's Disease - chronic fatigue, severe soreness, stiffness and shaking in his right arm and leg - but his doctors were reluctant to make the diagnosis.

Those the progressive neurological disease afflicts are typically over age 55. Johnson was only 41.

"At my age, they were trying to find some other reason," the Springfield Township resident said. "They don't like diagnosing it at an early age."

It took about a year of multiple specialists and treatments before he was diagnosed with early onset Parkinson's Disease, last June.

"They don't know the exact cause yet, and they're a long way from a cure," he said.

To help others facing the disease, his wife, Stacy Johnson, started the Parkinson Lane Foundation.

The foundation helps people maintain movement and mobility through exercise and therapy.

"Most organizations are collecting money and working to find a cure and those organizations are doing great work, but people still need support to get their exercise and therapy while that research continues," Michael said. "We want to help people who can't afford therapy or exercise. It is crucial to keep people moving. That made the difference for me."

Six months ago, he was hunched over with a severe limp.

"Now I'm on a treadmill, walking, getting strength and motion back," he said.

"We're just learning about so many people out there who need help," said Stacy, who was born and raised in Clarkston. "It's a

big deal to us. We've seen firsthand, people need the help."

One of their goals is to establish a location with an exercise room and physical therapist, Michael said.

"People could come in at no cost, work out, and take classes on how to keep moving," he said. "It would provide a safe space you can come and be comfortable when you work out. It can be embarrassing to be in a gym. When you're shaky, it feels like people are staring."

They filed the 501c3 nonprofit organization paperwork and it became official at the end of August.

Their website, www.parkinsonlane.org, is up and running. It includes a blog written by Michael about his experiences, information on Parkinson's, and an online store offering clothing, jewelry, and home decor.

"We make everything sold there," Stacy said. "All profits go to help people get to classes."

They have over 1,000 followers so far on Twitter, and they also have a Facebook page.

"It's doing well. We're trying to get information out there, and share daily experiences and up-to-date news stories," he said.

They're brainstorming ideas for fundraisers this year, including a backyard drive-in movie night and a golf outing in the summer.

"I'm looking forward to that. I haven't played golf in a year and a half," Michael said.

They're also busy with their son, who is graduating from Clarkston High School this year.

"It's been interesting," Stacy said. "Helping others, that's been the rewarding part. Seeing progress in other people helps me get through my own day."



From left, Independence Township DPW Director David McKee, township Deputy Supervisor Leanna Cole, and Clarkston City Manager Jonathan Smith point out the route for a parade honoring the Clarkston Wolves at a planning meeting of city, township, retailers, school, fire department, and sheriff's officials. Photo by Phil Custodio

Community puts on parade for champs

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Once the Clarkston Wolves had their state trophy in hand, community leaders sprang into action to organize a parade for the team in less than half a week.

Festivities are set to begin at 4 p.m. today, Wednesday, March 29, at Depot Park with a pep rally. The parade will head up Holcomb Road, take a right onto Washington Street, then the alley behind *The Clarkston News* building, and back to Depot Park.

Officials from City of the Village of Clarkston and Independence Township offices and DPWs, Oakland County Sheriff's Office, Independence Township Fire Department, Clarkston Community Schools, and Clarkston Retailers Group met Monday afternoon to hammer out the details.

"The township, village, schools, the rest of

the community have the opportunity to work together and celebrate our kids – it's important we take it," said Mayor Steven Percival.

"That's what this community is all about," said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock. "It's what we do. It's great to see the community so supportive of the kids."

Downtown businesses are eager to show their support, said Peg Roth, Clarkston Retailers Group.

"I spoke to four businesses and asked what they thought, and they said it's a wonderful thing to do for the community," Roth said.

"I think it's tremendous, what you're doing," said Lt. Larry Perry, Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation commander, who remembers playing against Fife when a student at Lake Orion High. "This is fantastic."

Planners decided to avoid disrupting traffic on M-15. They also looked into marching to the St. Dan's parking lot on Holcomb, but the church was booked with afternoon activities.

"We're super excited for the Wolves," said City Manager Jonathan Smith. "We wanted to recognize their great accomplishment, and pulled this together rather quickly."

Participants include the high school marching band, robotics team, youth basketball teams, Leadership students, fire department ladder truck, and sheriff's vehicles, with the American Legion Color Guard leading the way and the championship team at the end, in the place of honor.

Parents and well-wishers are encouraged to line the route to cheer on the team, then gather at the park for remarks by local dignitaries and celebration at the gazebo.

More info wanted before vote on paid-parking initiative

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

The city Parking Committee asked for an up or down vote on paid parking in city-owned lots at Monday's City Council meeting, but the council took no action.

"The committee is at a standstill," said Rick Detkowski, member of the council and parking committee.

"Further actions are dependent upon the result of the paid parking initiative," according to a March 22 Parking Committee Report. "Essentially, we can address issues such as open vs. permit parking on Church/Buffalo/Washington more effectively once the paid parking

decision is made."

"I don't want anyone spinning their wheels and wasting their time," said Mayor Steven Percival.

Council member Sharron Catallo said more information is needed.

"I find it difficult to make a decision on paid parking when we know so little about it," said Catallo, whose son, restaurant owner Curt Catallo, spoke against paid parking at the March 13 city council meeting. "The cost to the village, the cost to anybody who's using that parking – we don't know any of the criteria."

City Manager Jonathan Smith said he will meet with one or more cities with historic

districts to discuss how they have addressed parking.

Percival said creating a paid-parking system would make it more likely the Clarkston Mills would open its lot on Depot Road to public paid parking, which would provide more spaces.

Steve Arkwright, former mayor, said the city's decision should be independent of the Mills owners' decision to open their lot to paid parking.

"We can't make decisions based on what individual businesses do," Arkwright said. "If they want to charge, let them charge."

Percival said he will meet with the owners later this week.

Briefly

New vote equipment

Independence Township is getting a new high-speed alternative-vote counter from Oakland County.

The machine counts 100 ballots per minute, and was received at no cost to the township, said Clerk Barbara Pallotta at the March 22 township board meeting.

Rezoning for station

The Independence Township Board voted, March 22, to approve rezoning a limited industrial property on the west side of White Lake Road, north of Andersonville Road, to planned-development zoning.

Alex's Market Planned Unit Development will include a fueling station, market and bistro when it is completed. The fueling station will be a Mobil station with 12 pumps. The developers aim to break ground within the next two months.

Brady Lodge work

Renovations to Baycourt Park's Brady Lodge approved at the March 22 Township Board meeting include six replacement heat vents.

The vents were installed in the lodge for an unbudgeted cost of \$2,400. The board approved a budget amendment at the meeting. The board also accepted a proposal for concrete replacement at Brady Lodge. The concrete apron under the front porch is cracked, uneven and not ADA compliant. The board accepted a proposal to replace the concrete for a price not to exceed \$12,244 with a contingency of \$2,000. This project also required the approval of a budget amendment.

Budget amendments

Independence Township Board voted, March 22, to approve nine amendments to the 2017 budget, most moving unused funds from 2016.

The amendments total \$2,452,387, including \$10,683 transferred to 2017's Invasive Species budget from the 2016 budget; \$65,000 added to the 2017 Cemetery Budget; \$4,800 to Secure-It, DSS Corporation, for document hosting services; \$100,000 from Road Commission for Oakland County to the township for the North Sashabaw Road Engineering Project and \$326,014 to expenditures; and \$816,903 transferred to revenues for SAW Grant reimbursement and \$1,089,204 in expenditures for costs incurred.

Clarkston News Editorial

Thank you, Coach Fife!

A little over 50 years ago, on March 16, 1967, *The Clarkston News* ran a full page story featuring the high school career of one Dan Fife, #33. The article, written by Mel Vaara, came after Fife's final basketball game as a senior, and after Clarkston High School retired his number.

The Wolves did not make the playoffs that year, still Vaara found a positive spin and wrote, "This 17-2 record is the finest record in the history of the school."

As of Saturday, March 25, 2017 the finest record in the annals of CHS history changed when the local cagers captured the program's first ever state championship, downing Grand Rapids Christian, 75-69 at the Breslin Center, in East Lansing.

And, while the years, players and coaches have come and gone, one thing is similar to both "finest" seasons -- Dan Fife, now Coach Fife.

Coach Fife will undoubtedly scoff at this editorial and rightly give credit for the State Title to his players -- after all they played the games and made the shots.

But, right now, for this moment, we thank Coach Fife for his efforts on and off the court.

Your dedication to Clarkston's youth is greatly appreciated. Your leadership, this year and every year since you took the helm for the varsity basketball program in 1983, has shaped the program into one that is respected throughout the state.

The young men you have coached have learned about winning and losing gracefully. They have learned to respect hard work and dedication.

Since 1983, Coach Fife's have compiled a 677 win record to 169 losses -- which has been well documented lately in both print and broadcast media throughout Southeastern Michigan.

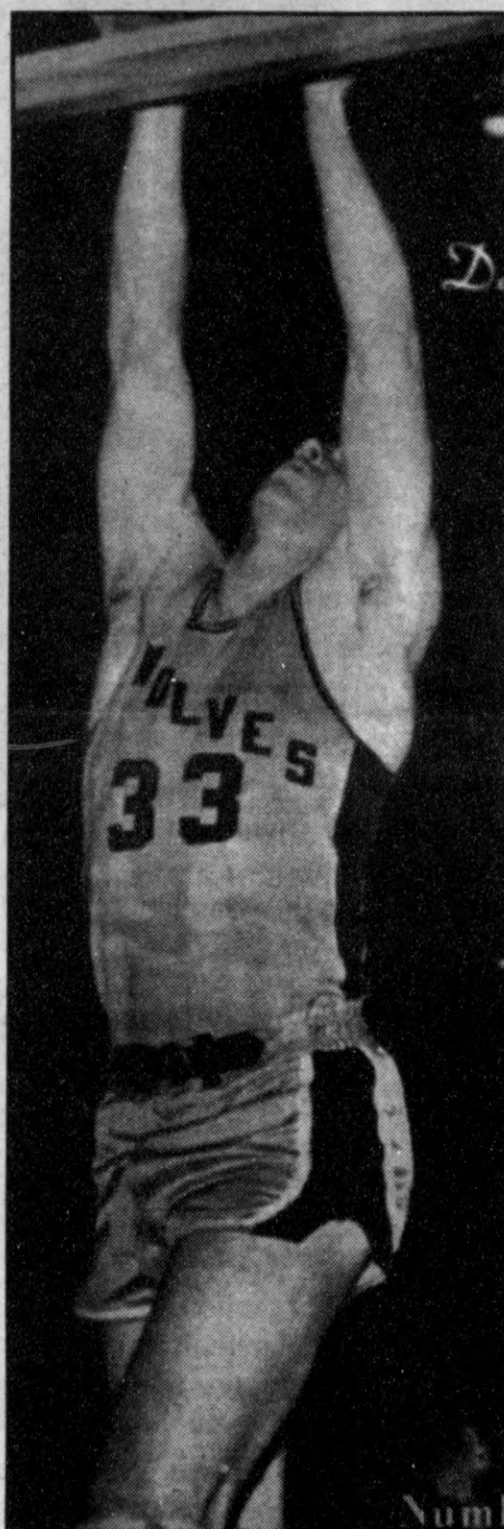
For fun, we thought we'd go back through our archives and share some stats about Coach you might not know.

When he graduated in 1967 then player Fife held the following Clarkston High School Records (and more):

- Career Scoring, 1,589 points
- Most Points In One Game, 52
- Most Points In One Season, 613
- Most Free Throws In One Season, 185
- Most Points In One Half, 31
- Most Points In 4th Quarter, 24

Wrote Vaara in that feature article, "Dan told me in his early years he was a rather superstition person. For instance, in his freshman year, he would take a shower before he left home on Friday and if water dripped in a certain corner of the floor they would lose, but if no water fell in the corner they would win."

Player Fife received inquiries from over 250 colleges and universities. Every Big 10 school (except Illinois) wrote letters to his parents and school about playing for them. He decided on the



Player Dan Fife, #33, on the cover of the March 16, 1967 *Clarkston News*.

University of Michigan.

Dan Fife, player, mentor and coach, thank you for the 50-plus years of memories and dedication to our community. --DPR

The Wrights haven't steered us wrong

The Clarkston News also gives a hearty shout out and thank you to Larry Wright. He has helped our staff by providing awesome action photos of this season and previous seasons. He is a parent and athletic booster. His three kids already graduated from Clarkston but he and his wife, Renee Weaver Wright, still go to games.

Thank you, Renee for helping with some photos during semifinals and finals and for giving our reporter Wendi a ride to East Lansing for both semi and final games!

Opinion Pages

Letters, columns & Editorials

Reader calls for caution in parking plan

Dear Editor,

I have read in the last couple of issues about the proposed solutions to the "parking problem" in the downtown area of the village ("Paid parking plan paused," March 15).

As an owner of an office building on Main Street, I am concerned the City Council is on the wrong track.

First, if the problem is a lack of parking, government should not twist that into an opportunity to raise more money. It is not typical that governments do, or should, have paid parking to raise money; then it is just another tax. Parking meters, etc. are used to manage parking to promote businesses and for traffic control.

Second, if the owners of private property now want to charge to re-open their lot for parking, that is the logical first step to a fix. That may be enough, particularly when the closing that precipitated made a concern more of a problem.

We are fortunate to have a thriving downtown that benefits all the businesses and increases the tax base. The council should take incremental steps, such as enforcement and recognizing private lots may be turned into paid parking, before it puts in place a grand plan that could backfire to stifle the downtown area, which also serves to give our community much of its character.

Neil Wallace
Independence Township

A call for more info on school start

Dear Editor,

Last weekend my wife read on Facebook the district might be changing the 2017-2018 school year start date to the week before Labor Day ("Schools to start before Labor Day?" March 15).

This was the first that we've heard of this. We received no prior notification of this from where we would expect - Clarkston Community Schools, no email or direct mail. I would have expected a mailed letter, not an email, sent to all district parents regarding a change of this magnitude.

We have already scheduled a family vacation the week prior to Labor Day. We would not have planned a vacation for this week had we known the school start date could change. All district families should have received early notice of this through the proper communication, not social media.

This potential start date change effects my family even more in that my daughter, our oldest child, will be starting middle school in the fall.

We certainly would not want her to miss the first week of school, in a brand new school with learning the surroundings, schedules, teachers, new friendships, etc.

My wife and I both work full-time, and vacations need to be planned well in advance to coordinate with job responsibilities and our co-workers schedules. Sometimes it's not an easy task to find an available week that is approved for both parents.

I don't have any issue with the district moving the start date, but please offer respect and consideration to properly inform all parents in advance for planning purposes.

We ask that you do not implement this change with the 2017-2018 school year, as this would negatively impact the start of my daughter's middle school year. Please provide Clarkston families important information like this in advance, so consideration and planning can be made accordingly for future years. Thank you.

Clarkston school parents
Names withheld at authors' request

Official appreciation for Coach Dan Fife

Dear Editor,

As a long time official and having seen many basketball games over the years, there is no better high school basketball coach than Dan Fife.

We have had our differences, but most of the time could agree to disagree. Being an

official, I had to remain impartial, but this time I was happy he won the championship. He is very deserving.

Congratulations and all the best to you, Coach Fife.

Don Vogt
Posted at Clarkstonnews.com

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Magic moment on the court as Wolves win

I will admit it - I did get a little misty-eyed as the Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball team ran onto the court after the championship game on Saturday.

I was swept in the moment, which was a long time coming for the Wolves, as under the bright lights of the Breslin Center they achieved a goal many teams set their sights on every year.

It was a magical moment Clarkston fans filling the arena at Michigan State University cheered and clapped as the players and coaches hugged each other.

The dream began long ago for the program as it did for long-time head coach Dan Fife when he played for the Clarkston Wolves.

The state championship - the dream never died. Instead it grew with each player who stepped onto the court sporting their navy blue and gold uniform.

I have talked to many players throughout the years. Many at the beginning of the season when they exclaim proudly their goal is state championship.

They didn't want it for themselves but for Coach Fife and their community.

Junior Foster Loyer said it earlier and said it again after the boys beat West Bloomfield in the semifinals.

Wendi's Word



a column by
Wendi
Reardon Price

"To Coach Fife I don't think he will admit what it means to him, but it's definitely everyone's goal at the beginning of every season," Loyer said at Friday's press conference. "You go into each season with the ultimate goal to finish with a win. For Coach Fife and the community of Clarkston it means the world to all of us and motivates us even more."

What a thrill for the Wolves to accomplish the dream and Coach Fife to raise the trophy into the air for everyone to see and being able to share it with his family - his wife, Jan; his sons Dugan, Jeremy, and Dane; and all his grandchildren who wore white jerseys Friday and Saturday with "Fife" on the back and numbers representing the ones their fathers

wore - 10, 11 and 12, adding up to 33. As no one will wear No. 33, it was retired exactly 50 years ago.

The trip to the Breslin Center starts before players don the varsity jerseys.

Many Wolves went through the McGrath Winter Basketball league and summer sessions of Dan Fife Basketball Camp and Fife Fundamentals absorbing all they could, listening to Fife's tips and setting their goal to be able to end the season with the MHSAA announcing Clarkston as the champions.

I have watched the Wolves for the last nine seasons, seeing them work hard in practice, witnessing their ups and downs on the court. I wanted them to achieve it for Coach Fife and their community.

Coach Fife is a man of many words after a loss. A loss isn't just a lesson in the game but in life as well. A defeat will humble you more quickly than a win ever will.

He even had words of reflection when the Wolves lost the quarterfinals in 2015 in the last few seconds.

They went back to work the next two seasons. Luckily the Wolves only had one

loss this season to Southfield Arts & Technology before they went in to the playoff season. They learned and were back on the court scoring points on their opponents.

When playoffs began they rose to the challenge taking it one team at a time, including Macomb Dakota who had beat them in regional playoffs last season.

It was a great ride, Wolves! Cherish the moments and memories especially since we know you will be back to work playing in your off season basketball leagues.

My son, limited on his language at 15-months-old, did request a repeat as he did not go to the Breslin Center this weekend. (He is in his explorer stage right now and it would have been hard not to keep him from not going onto the basketball court. A little more harder than it is during the regular season.) He wants to see you guys play there again. Really, who doesn't? He really is a great Wolf supporter.

He also requested a toddler T-shirt which says "Mom saw the Wolves win the state championship and all I got was this T-shirt."

Wolves Eat Christians (and other b-ball things)

In case you missed it, over here in Clarkston, the boys basketball program won its first-ever state title. As I type, in my head with my inner ears I hear the band Queen singing softly, "We are the champions, we are the champions..."

Last Saturday, the Clarkston Wolves downed the Eagles of Grand Rapids Christian, in a close game, 75-69.

I was mentioned in a social media post sometime after the game. Said former Sherman Publications, Inc. marketing dude, former Clarkston resident and full-time smarty-pants Jim Buckley. "Don Rush, headline should be 'Wolves Eat Christians.' Do it. We got your back."

And, while I do not think that would be a good headline for the actual story, in my heart I knew it would be fun somewhere. Ever the follower and never a leader of any merit, I headlined my column at Jim's request.

As, Independence Township Supervisor Pat Kittle recently told me, "Don... this is all about you... The center of the universe. The focal point where the earth spins on its axis. The sunshine of our lives."

True, true, Patrick. An insecure personality type, I always try to put myself into the middle of anybody else's good story or celebration. It just makes

me feel better about myself. So, to horn-in and be a part of Coach Dan Fife and the Clarkston Cagers glory, without having done anything (save for typing now...)

... The last time your hero (that would be me) was on the old hardwood at CHS during a varsity basketball game had to be my senior year at that school. I was a sweaty mess, running up and down the court, diving into the mass of humanity that made up the crowd and in general showing off my "special" god-given skills for the cheerleaders.

Yes, I was a hot, flying and tumbling mess.

It was Steve Howe night, I remember. Steve, God rest his soul, was a pitching phenom at Clarkston, at the University of Michigan and later, I believe was 1980 Rookie of the Year when he pitched for the Los Angeles Dodgers. Anyway, Steve was back home and he and his either soon-to-be wife or wife were in the crowd and were to be honored at the game.

I remember running up to him and giving him a "high-five" to which he looked at me kinda' funny and only tentatively acquiesced. His palmed touched my hairy hand. My brush with greatness and -- what? You're wondering about my "hairy" hand? You don't care about my exploits on the hardwood? Something doesn't add up, you say? Oh yeah, gee. I must have forgot to tell you something about my life's varsity basketball story.

I was the mascot.

I had on the "Wolf" costume and it was very hot in

that thing. Do you know how much sweat builds up running up and down the side lines in a wolf costume? I don't either, but I bet it was an awful lot. I shutter to think of how I smelled -- which may have explained why Steve Howe was horrified at my high five invitation.

I was so good at basketball and mascotting I wasn't even the starting mascot during varsity basketball games. Donny J. Mack had that honor. I was the ever-lovin' backup mascot when Mack got sick or had to go on a date or get out of town. Yay, team. Hurray. Go. (I was always jealous of Donald J. Mack. He actually dated real, live girls during high school.)

So, I got that going for me. Don Rush, aka, Backup CHS Mascot.

Back in the day, my basketball prowess was legendary at good ol' CHS. I was the fire hydrant who planted himself just under the basket on defense willing to throw up elbows and deliver butt-bumps to any who dared near me. On offense, I pretty much sauntered down the court just in time to turn around and head back under the opposing team's basket to deliver more butt power defense. As a basketball player I was a pretty damned good football lineman.

To this day, I still do not understand why I was always the last to be picked for a team.

Hmm? Go figure?

At any rate, congrats to the Coach Fife and the boys. Enjoy the fruits of your efforts.

Don't Rush Me



A column by
Don Rush

Bowman's honors Women's History Month

At Bowman Chevrolet in Independence Township, the Women's History Month of March highlights the contributions of three company leaders.

"It absolutely makes sense to have more of us in the industry and at the dealer level," said Katie Bowman Coleman, owner and president of Bowman Chevrolet.

"I think women's communication and problem-solving skills and attention to detail have had direct impact on the success of Bowman Chevrolet."

Bowman Coleman has been working at the dealership for 24 years and took over the reins in 2011. Today, she leads 130 employees and sells an average of 400 vehicles monthly.

"I realized I wanted to be part of what was predicted to be a huge transformation in the way cars are made, sold and utilized," Coleman said. Coleman is one of roughly 270 female Chevrolet dealership owners in the country.

Rhonda Jensen, general manager, has been with Bowman Chevrolet for more than 25 years. She began her automotive retail career at age 17 and has worked her way up from secretary to service manager,



Bowman Coleman



Jensen



Simpson

to fixed operations director to general manager.

"It was hard work, determination, tenacity, and a love for what I do, that has helped me to succeed," Jensen said. "Early in my career I had a harder time convincing customers and coworkers that I could help them, or even understand their needs. But as women haven taken on larger roles and the industry have evolved, gender doesn't matter. Talented people matter."

Judy Simpson, service manager at Bowman Chevrolet, has spent nearly 35 years in the industry.

"When I first started in the service department I probably was one of the few females, but I never thought much about it. Hard work, dedication and a passion for my job are what have enabled me to succeed," Simpson said.

Science honors

BY JESSICA STEELEY
Clarkston News Staff Writer

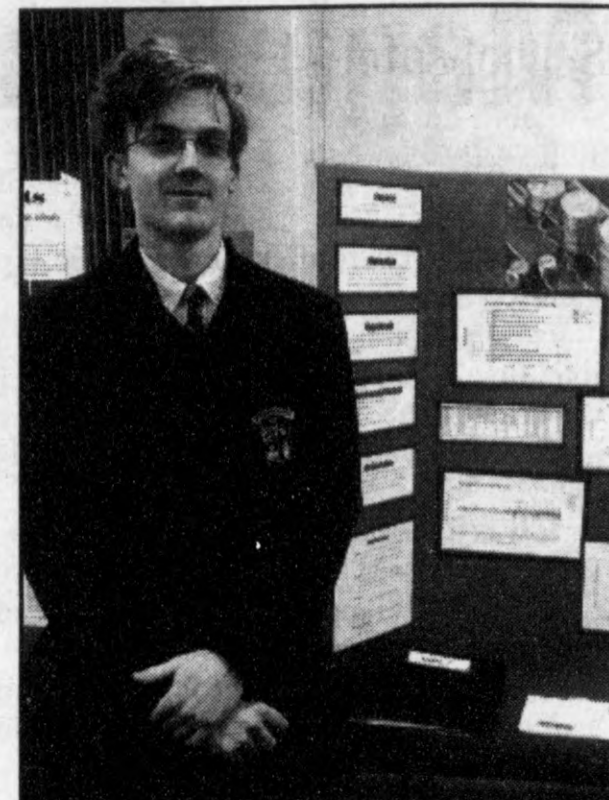
Clarkston student Alex Czarnecki represented Everest Collegiate High School in the 60th Science & Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit.

Czarnecki received second place in his category: Robotics and Intelligent Machines. He began working on his project in September through an independent study with Nghiem Nguyen, an Everest math and computer science teacher.

"I wanted to do something with machine learning and Mr. Nguyen came up with the idea of applying it to the stock market," Czarnecki said. His project uses five common stock picking strategies and applies them in a computer program.

"I did a little bit of guidance with him," Nguyen said. "I gave him a bunch of choices, just to kind of narrow down the scope of computer science research, because there's a lot."

He started coding the program in October and worked on it until the date of the fair on March 15. Czarnecki researched different methods for choosing stocks and, based on how they performed, his machine learning



Alex Czarnecki at the 60th Science and Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit
Photo provided

program would either add or remove the amount of money it could use.

Nguyen said Czarnecki was the first student from Everest's high school to compete. The competition is open to sixth through twelfth graders and annually has well over 1,000 participants.

Most of Czarnecki's independent study time was spent on his project, with his teacher's oversight. Nguyen also showed him scholarly research on machine learning and went over the five methods of investing for when to buy and sell stocks.

"We spent a lot of time just me explaining and learning a little bit myself, how those methods work and what's the fundamental ideas behind it," Nguyen said.

As a junior at Everest, Czarnecki isn't sure where he wants to go to college yet, but he hopes to study computer science and continue to expand on this project.

"I want to expand it further because there's a lot of things I would like to do with it," Czarnecki said. "For one, converting it to real time data, because previously it was running on historical data and another thing is that it doesn't take dividends into account, so, changing that would probably create different results."



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School safety

Community residents have been discussing school safety issues in recent weeks. Clarkston Community Schools sent an email to the community, March 20, about police investigation of two students who appear to have a fascination with school violence.

"This is all the information we have and can share at this time," according to the email. "Out of an abundance of caution, and in accordance with school policies outlined in our Student Code of Conduct, both students are currently suspended from all school activities, and we are cooperating with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department as they continue to investigate the situation. We will provide more information as it becomes available, given the ongoing nature of the police investigation."

Another incident was a stranger entering North Sashabaw Elementary during after-school hours on March 14. An unidentified woman walked in and out of classrooms and took items from one classroom before staff members caught her and escorted her out of the building. Police said they're still investigating this incident.

The morning of March 15, a threatening message was found in a Clarkston High School restroom that police and administration are investigating.

Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock said he has no new information on any of the incidents.

"I will notify parents when and if I do. They are always welcome to contact me," Rock said.

Public Safety

For Clarkston and Independence Township

Probation violation

Acting on a tip, a deputy arrested a 37-year-old Independence Township woman for probation violation for embezzlement, 6:24 p.m., March 20, in the 6000 block of Lancasterlake Court. The warrant was entered by the Sixth Circuit Court. She was jailed on the warrant.

Sentence for embezzler

Michael LaJoice was sentenced to 11 years in federal prison for embezzling \$20 million from the former Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union. Prosecutors had requested the 11-year sentence. U.S. District Judge Gershwin Drain agreed because of the length of the embezzlement scheme, 12 years, and the amount stolen from the credit union. The former credit union executive was also ordered to pay \$18.6 million restitution. LaJoice, 38, of Tyrone Township, was the credit union's chief financial officer. He pleaded guilty to bank fraud in November. His theft was uncovered in January 2016. The credit union was forced to close and has since reopened under different ownership. LaJoice spent the cash on a lavish lifestyle that included a multimillion dollar home, expensive vehicles and private jet flights.

Door kicker arrested

A N. Marshbank resident called police to report her ex-boyfriend trying to kick in her door, 12:41 a.m., March 22. A deputy spotted the suspect, a 34-year-old Independence Township man, walking near the east end of the apartment building, shined a flashlight on him, and ordered him to stop. The man ran and the deputy gave chase. Two other deputies joined the pursuit, and they chased the suspect through a wooded area, tackled him, and placed him in handcuffs. Asked why he ran, he said he came over to see his kids. The ex-girlfriend said he came over uninvited and was kicked out when he became verbally abusive. He then demanded to be let back in and kicked the door. A records' check showed he had four failure-to-appear traffic offenses out of 52-3 District Court, failure-to-appear retail fraud out of 52-3 District Court, and a misdemeanor warrant failure-to-appear out of Redford Police for resisting police. He was jailed on the warrants.

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CHEERS FOR THE CHAMPS: Students in the Jungle cheering section feel the excitement as the Wolves win the state championship at the Breslin Center. Photo by Larry Wright

Clarkston's Sporting News

Congrats to the Wolves!
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State championship dream come true for Fife

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Dan Fife had a dream when he was playing for Clarkston Basketball - the state championship.

His dream as well as the dream of countless players after him came true as the Wolves defeated Grand Rapids Christian in the the MHSAA Boys Basketball Class A State Championship game at Michigan State University's Breslin Center on Saturday afternoon.

"It's really unexplainable," said Fife, who has been at the helm for 35 years as head coach. "I really

don't know how to put it. I am proud of the kids. I have said it before and I truly mean it - Clarkston is a special place. We have great support from our administration, staff and families. I don't think you can be successful in athletics in today's world without that kind of support from everyone."

"This whole season has been a great journey for my teammates and myself," said junior guard Foster Loyer. "Winning the championship not only means a lot to us as a team and a family, but to know we were able to get it done for Coach Fife - that's what we have been

dreaming about since we started playing basketball in Clarkston. It has been a phenomenal experience."

Championship game: Clarkston vs. Grand Rapids Christian, 75-69

The Eagles opened the game with two points from senior Xavier Tillman before sophomore Taylor Currie tied off his own basket.

Both teams spent the first quarter fighting for the lead until Loyer scored on a 3-pointer with 2:45 remaining, putting the score 11-8. The next three buckets from the Wolves were from behind the arc for 3-points each to end the quarter 20-12.

The Wolves held Grand Rapids to 17 points during the second quarter as the Eagles fought to close in. They closed the gap by three off a field goal from junior Tre Vallar. A shot from Clarkston junior CJ Robinson at the buzzer ended the half, 34-29.

Robinson opened the third quarter with a 3-pointer off an assist from Loyer to keep the momentum going for the Wolves.

"Credit to Clarkston," said Mark

Warners, head coach for the Eagles. "They responded and made shots. They were awesome. We were good, but we weren't awesome. Offensively we were fine. The problem was we gave up 75 points."

"It's like coach said before the game - no regrets. Give it all you've got," said Tillman, who scored 25 points. "That's exactly what I did."

Loyer led the team with 29 points with five rebounds and three assists.

"Foster can handle the ball," said Tillman, who will be Loyer's future teammate at MSU. "He can shoot the ball. It was hard to stop him. He's going to be a good player for us at Michigan State. He can score - that's what we need. After the game it's cool to realize I will be playing with him."

Currie scored 16 points and had ten rebounds.

"It's something I try to take pride in this year. we always talk about knowing your role. Rebounding with my size helps. It's something I can do to help us keep winning," Currie said.

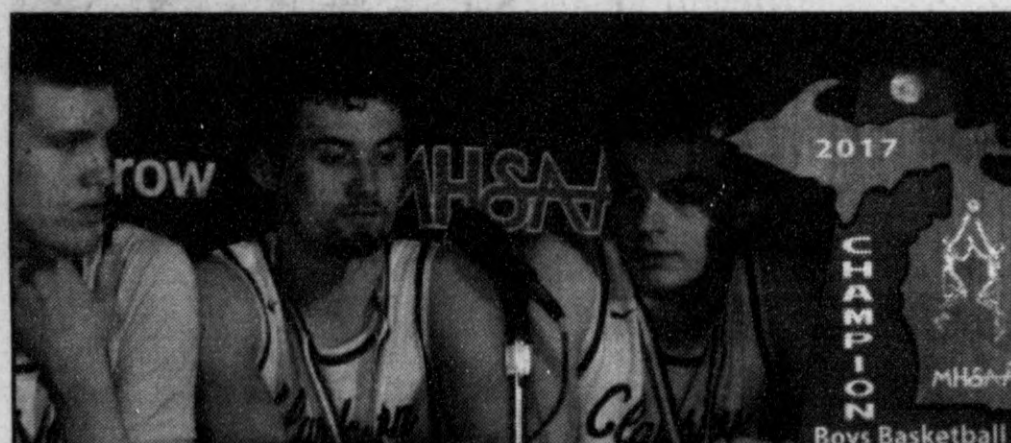
"He did a good job rebounding," Fife added. "He has grown a lot. He moved from out of state to Michigan to play a state championship game. He has really gained a lot of experience."

Robinson added 14 points and Alderson had 12 points, finishing his high school career with 1,576 points for sixth in school history. **Semifinal round on March 24: Clarkston vs. West Bloomfield, 78-35**

Third times was the charm as the Wolves faced OAA Red foe West Bloomfield for the third time in the season for Clarkston's third visit to the semifinals.

"I coached my heart out," Fife said Friday afternoon. "When we are playing like that on all cylinders we are hard to beat. We moved the ball well, we rebounded well, we got the ball out, we got a lot of shots out in transition. Our defense was really good today. We knew we were going to have trouble with (Kevin) McAdoo because he hurt us in the two games we played against them earlier."

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Taylor Currie, Foster Loyer and Nick Wells get ready for the press conference to begin. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK Wolves make history

A huge congratulations to the Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball team.

It has been an amazing season - and an even more amazing ending as they clenched the MHSAA Boys Basketball Class A State Championship title with a 75-69 win over Grand Rapids Christian on Saturday at Michigan State University's Breslin Center.

The Wolves got over the quarterfinal hurdle for the third time in history with a 70-50 win over Saginaw High School, March 21.

Then it was off to the Breslin Center on Friday where they faced OAA Red League foe West Bloomfield for the third time in one season. They beat the Lakers again - this time with a 78-35 win.

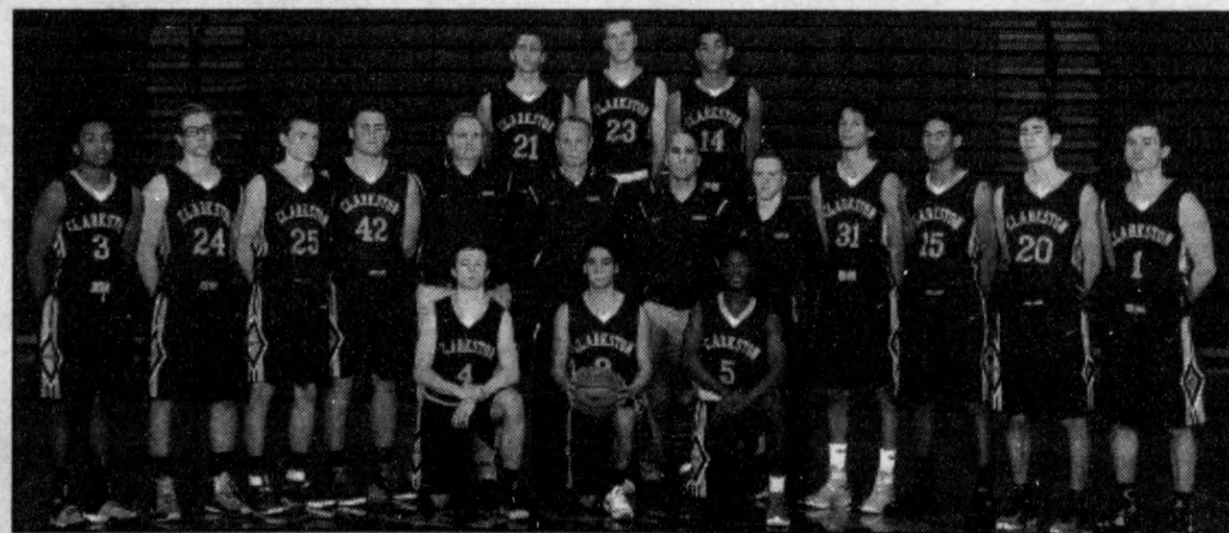
The Wolves didn't disappoint as long-

time Clarkston fans filled the arena or watched from home to give the Eagles their first loss of the season during the championship game.

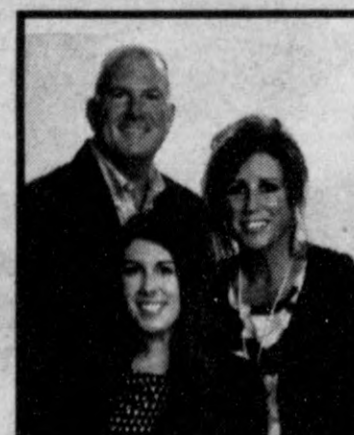
The boys finished with an overall 27-1 record and finished with the OAA Red League, District, Regional and state titles.

The team includes seniors Dylan Alderson, John Chrenka, Shayan Ghadamabadi, Raymond Pistonetti; juniors Max Anderson, Foster Loyer, Tieler Houston, Demond Mills-Bradley, Tristen Mysen, Stewart Newblatt, CJ Robinson, Chase Wasilk, Nick Wells and sophomore Taylor Currie. Team manager is Alex Ward.

Coaching staff includes long-time head coach Dan Fife, finishing his 35th year, and assistant coaches Eric Chambers and Tim Wasilk.



Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

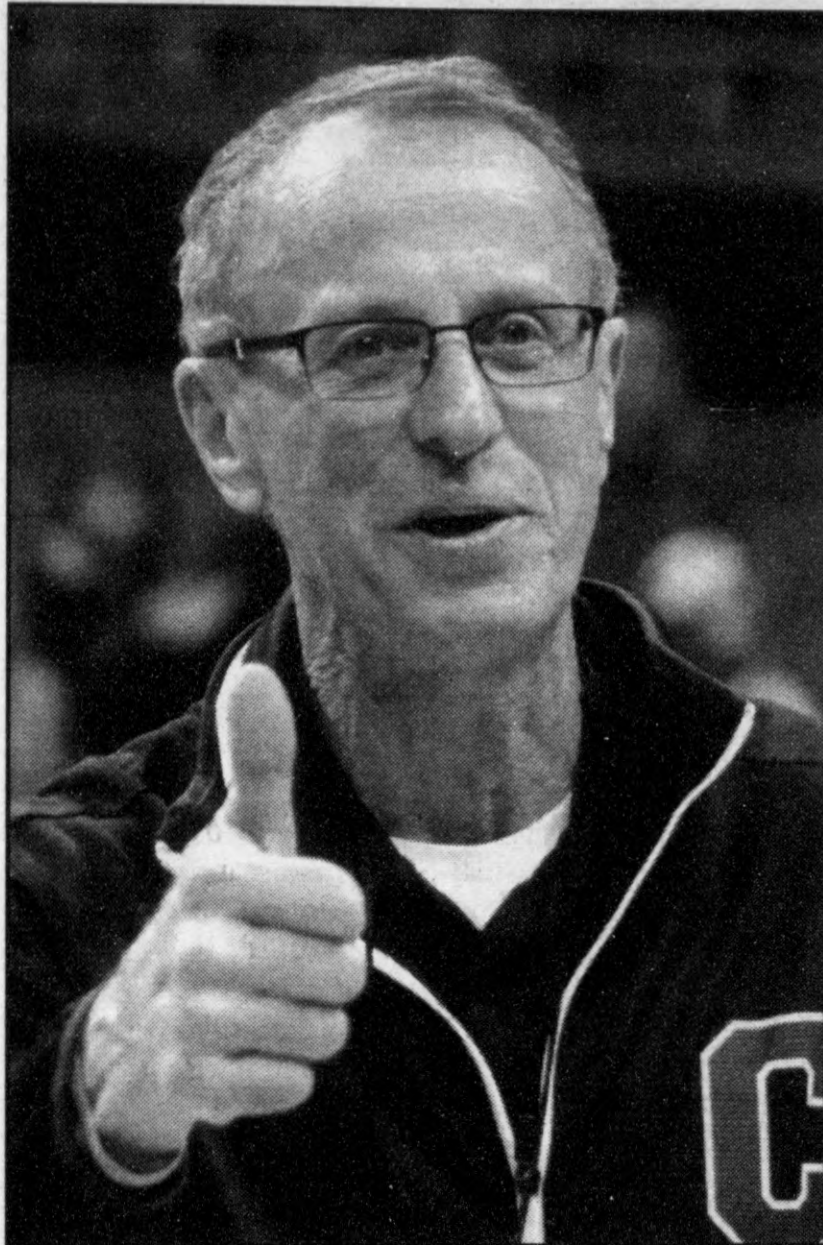


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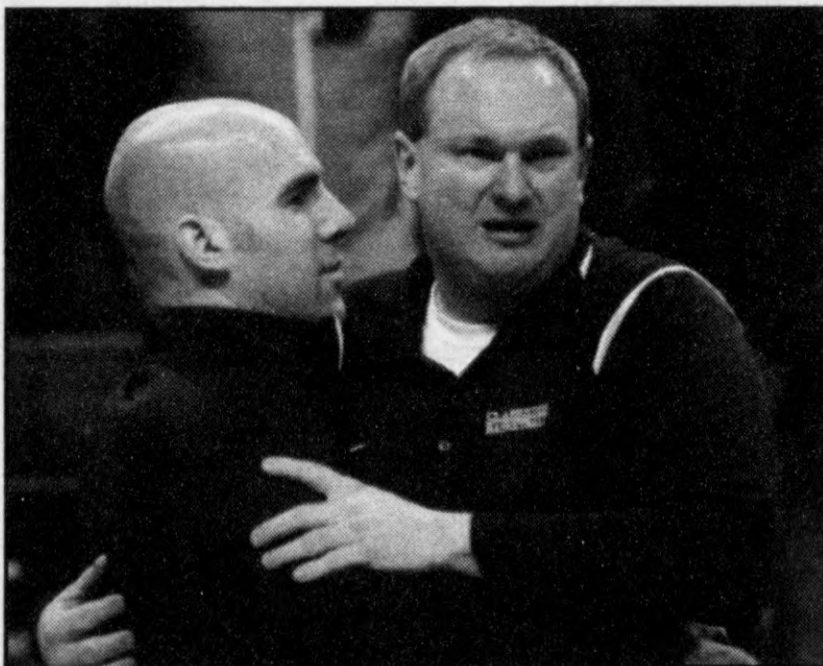
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Dan Fife, head coach, gives a thumbs up to the fans.



Assistant coaches Tim Wasilk and Eric Chambers hug after the achievement.

Wolves reign as state champs

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He admitted he was nervous going into the game because it's hard to beat a team three times.

"Our kids were mentally ready and prepared to play the game," Fife said.

"You come into each game as a team and each individual has the mindset to play their heart out and do the little things that will set themselves up to do well on the offensive end," Loyer added. "It's not about coming into the game and trying to score points. It's about doing the little things to help your team. Our team did a great job coming out tonight and throwing that first punch and setting the standard how we will play the rest of the game."

The Wolves opened with a 7-2 run with points from Loyer, Currie and Alderson before senior Tyler Davis scored for the Lakers on a 3-pointer. Clarkston added six more points to the board before the Lakers scored another 3-pointer, this time from McAdoo.

The Wolves went on a 9-point run led by Loyer with seven points before West Bloomfield scored again and the quarter closed with Clarkston leading, 24-13.

They added onto their lead with a pair of 3-pointers from Robinson and Loyer in the second quarter before scoring 12 more in the next five minutes, closing the half with a 42-24 lead. Loyer contributed 20 points during the half.

"Foster just didn't miss," said Jeremy Denha, head coach for the Lakers. "He ran their offense really well. They were hitting every jump shot. Clarkston played a phenomenal game and outcompeted us in many facets."

The Wolves continued hitting their shots and with less than five minutes left in the game activated the running clock with the score 73-33.

"We moved the ball well," said Alderson. "We didn't force any shots. Our cuts were strong, our screens were perfect. Currie played well today. He boxed out real well. We knew at least three or four of their guys would go across the boards."

The gap gave the Wolves the opportunity to put more players into the game from off the bench.

With 2:36 remaining in the game the crowd cheered as senior Raymond Pistonetti contributed with his bucket. A point from junior Demond Mills-Bradley closed the game, 78-35.

"It's a tough one to swallow today especially when we were on the ride we were on to get here," said Denha, head coach for the Lakers, adding the team didn't win a district in his seven years as coach.

The Wolves added it meant a lot to them to get the win and get their coach into the championship game.

"To Coach Fife I don't think he will admit what it means to

him, but I think it's definitely everyone's goal at the beginning of every season," said Loyer. "You go into each season with the ultimate goal to finish with a win."

"To be honest I am not worried about what it means to me," Fife admitted. "I have an expectation, I have always had one no matter what I am doing. The reality is I dreamt of playing in the state championship when I was in high school. It was always my dream. I am trying to instill in the kids to have the same dream – to play basketball and get to this point. They will remember this for the rest of their lives regardless of what happens. When you work that hard and you work all summer, after practice and before practice – it's a means to the end. If it comes from within, not coming from mom and dad and not coming from coach, it makes it easier to coach."

Loyer led with 32 points, seven assists and three steals. Alderson scored 27 points. Currie had 16 rebounds, three blocks and ten points.

Quarterfinal round on March 21: Clarkston vs. Saginaw, 70-50

"Winning this game is a dream come true for the kids," said Fife, about the Wolves making their third trip to the Final Four in Clarkston history. "It's a good experience for me to be involved. My assistant coaches did a great job with the preparation and getting everything put together for us. Our kids ran pretty well."

He added it was a big win especially in a game he expected for a "hard, fought, intense game."

The Trojans opened the game with two points and Robinson met it with his own two points, followed by six points from Loyer and Alderson.

Clarkston widened the gap posting 12 more points and before the quarter closed Saginaw scored on a 3-pointer to end the stanza, 18-12.

The Wolves continued to add points to the board from the duo of Alderson and Loyer and closed the first half with a basket from junior Nick Wells before Saginaw scored a 3-pointer at the buzzer, 35-19.

Loyer led with 27 points and Alderson scored 21 points. Robinson had 13 points, seven rebounds, four steals and four assists.

"He's an outstanding role player because he can score," said Fife. "He can make plays. He is really a point guard. It's just he is behind Foster usually in that situation. Those are two pretty good guards taking care of the ball at game time."

Loyer finished the season named to the 2017 Associated Press Class A First-Team All-State. Alderson received Honorable Mention as a player and Fife earned Honorable Mention as coach.

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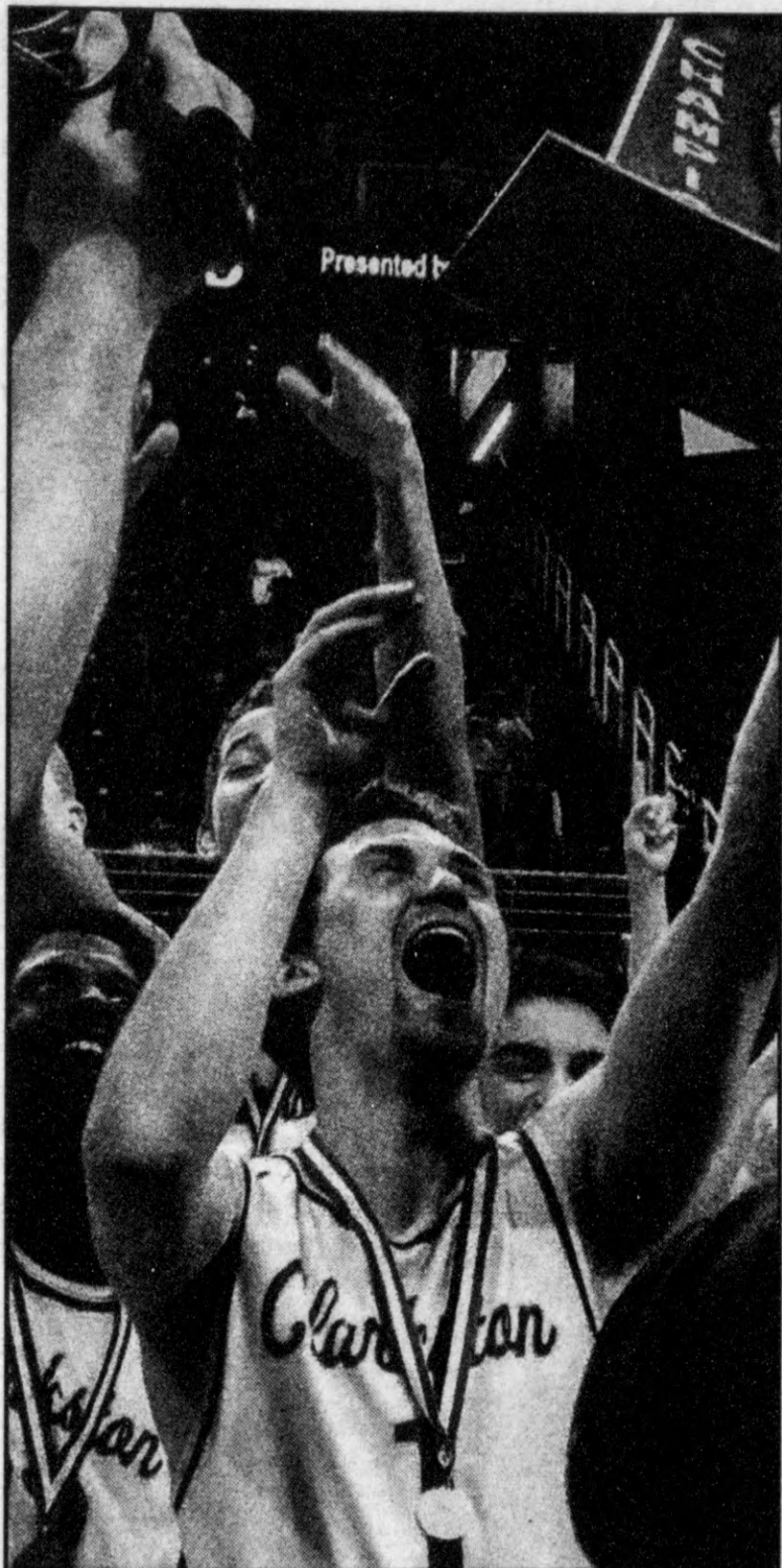
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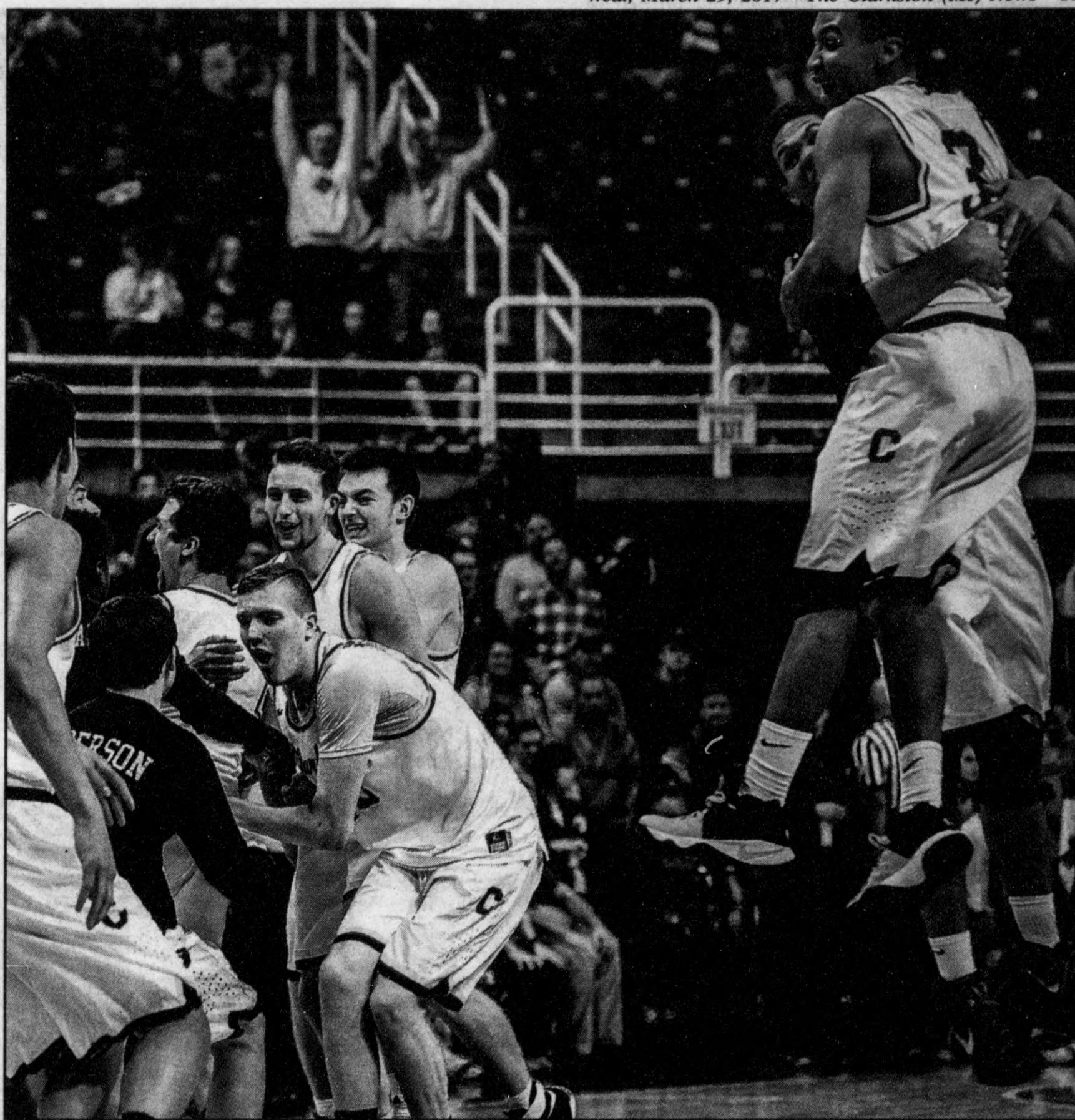
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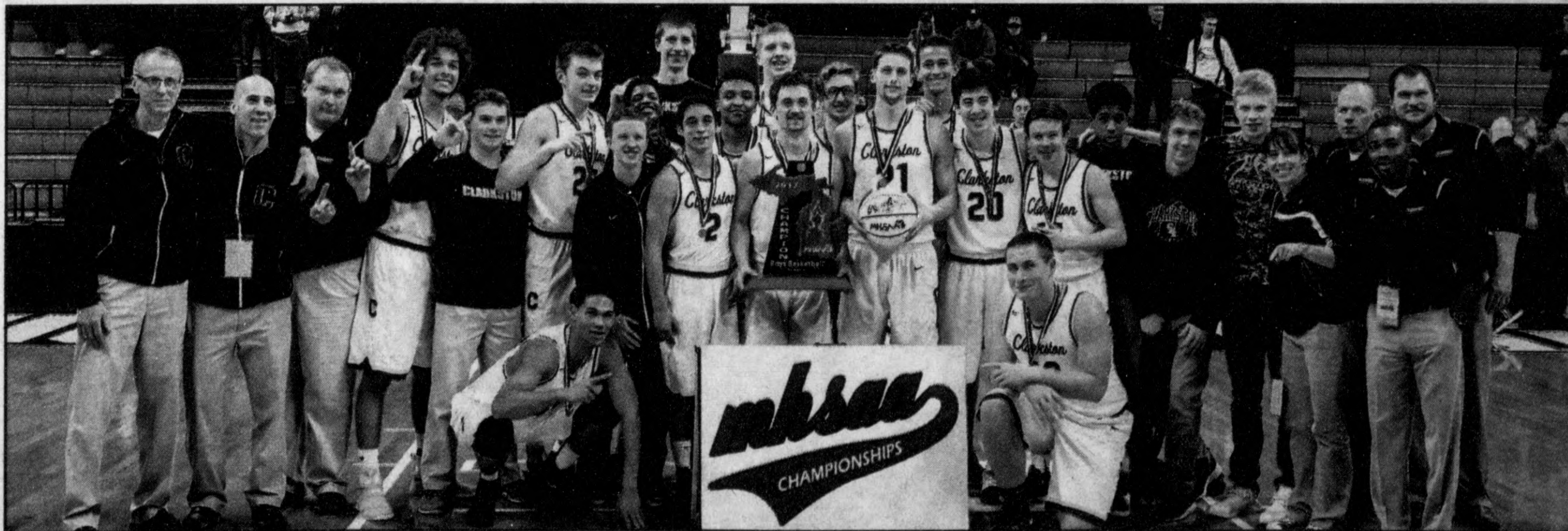


Junior Foster Loyer hoists up the championship trophy as the Wolves share it with the Jungle.
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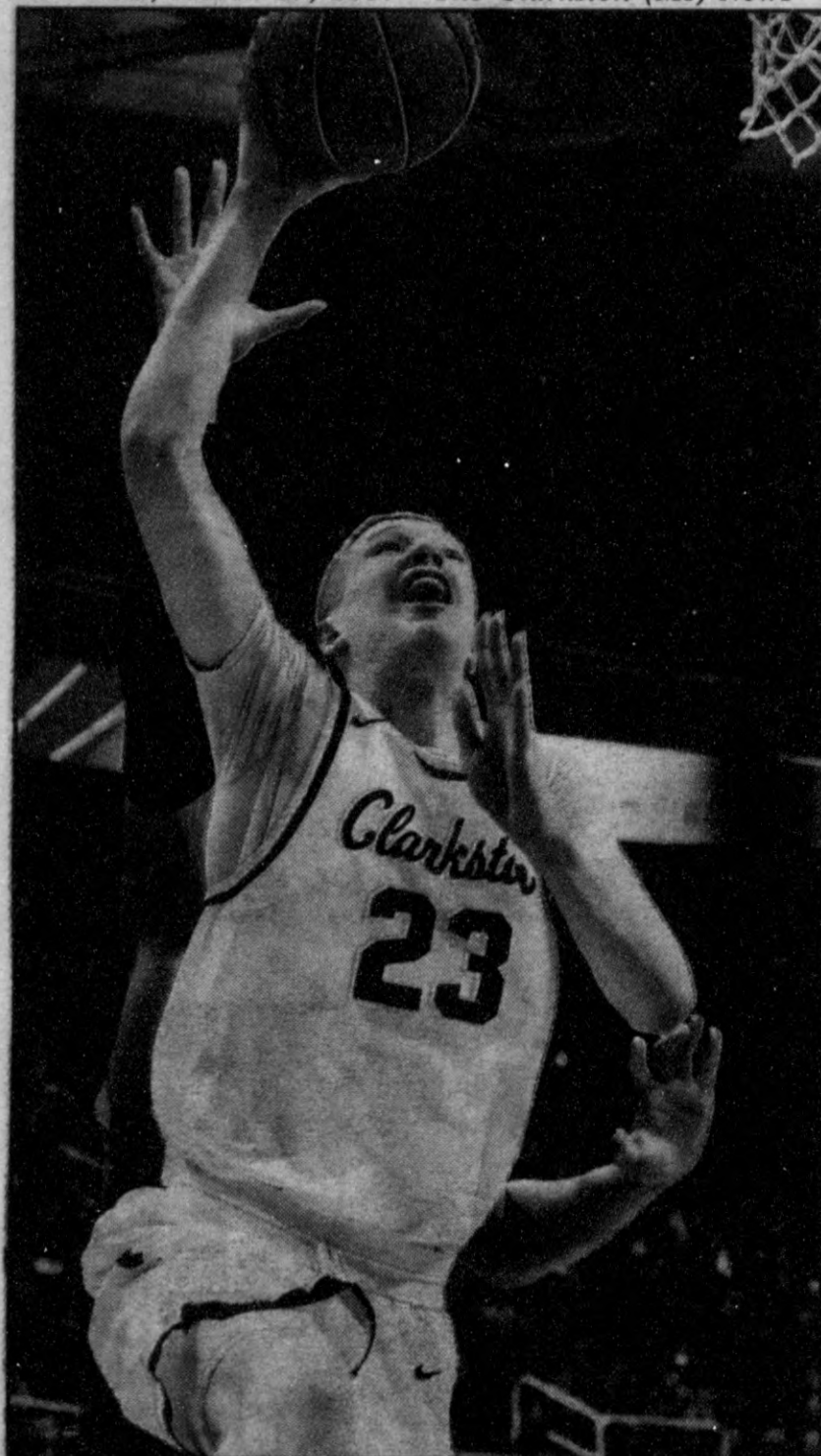
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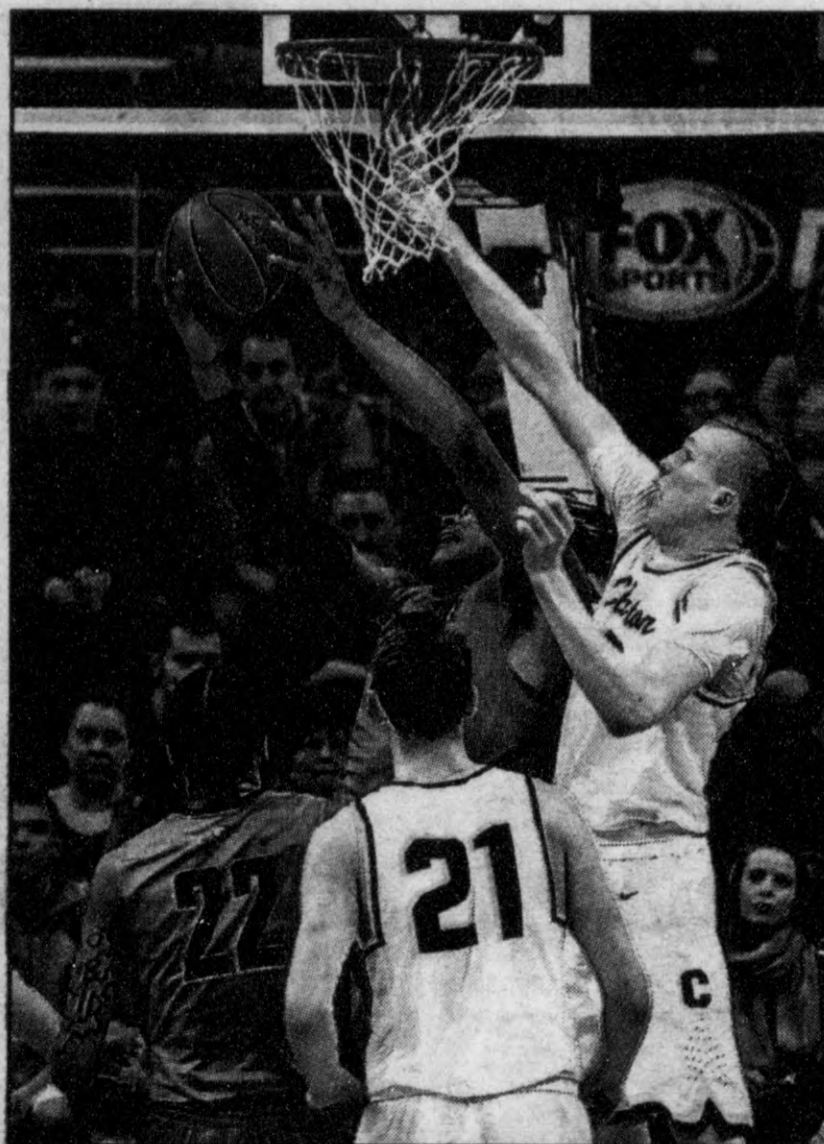
The players celebrate as the game against Grand Rapids Christian closes in a 75-69 win. *Photo by LW*



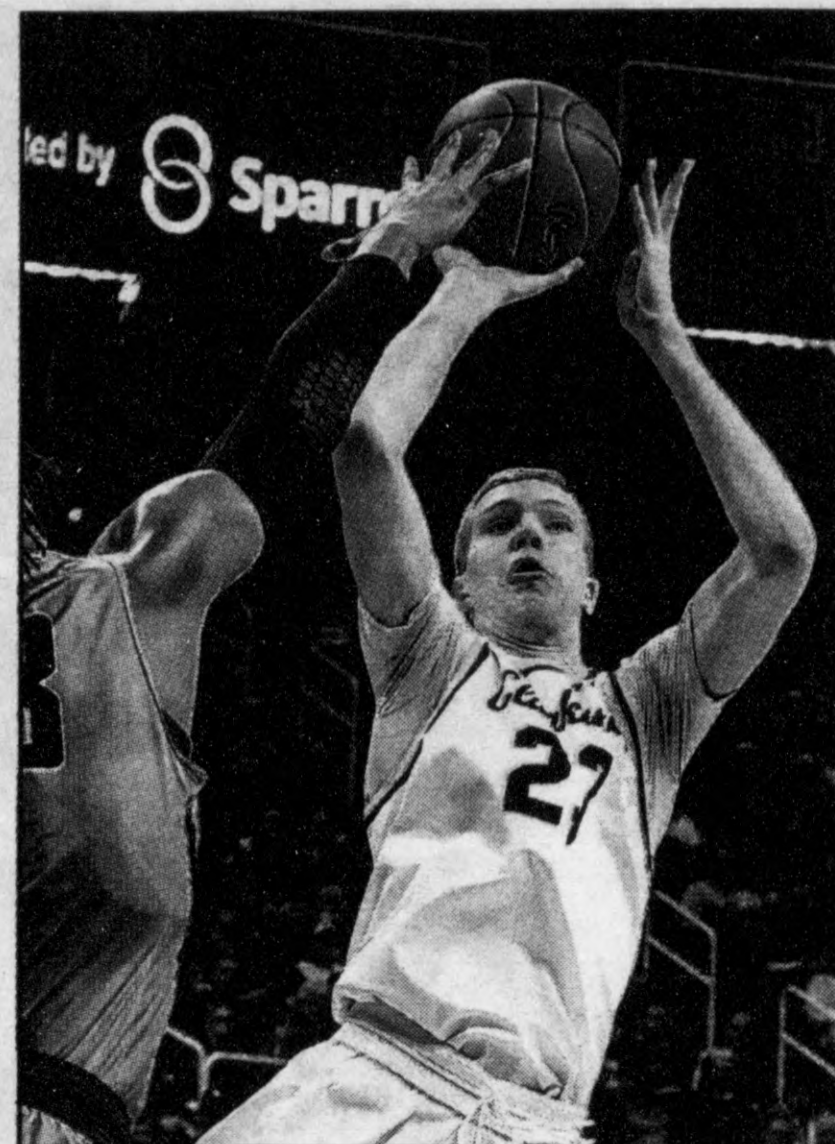
Your 2017 MHSAA Boys Basketball Class A State Champions - the Clarkston Wolves. *Photo by Larry Wright*



Sophomore Taylor Currie reaches high.



Taylor Currie keeps 6-foot-8 Xavier Tillman from scoring. Photos by Larry Wright

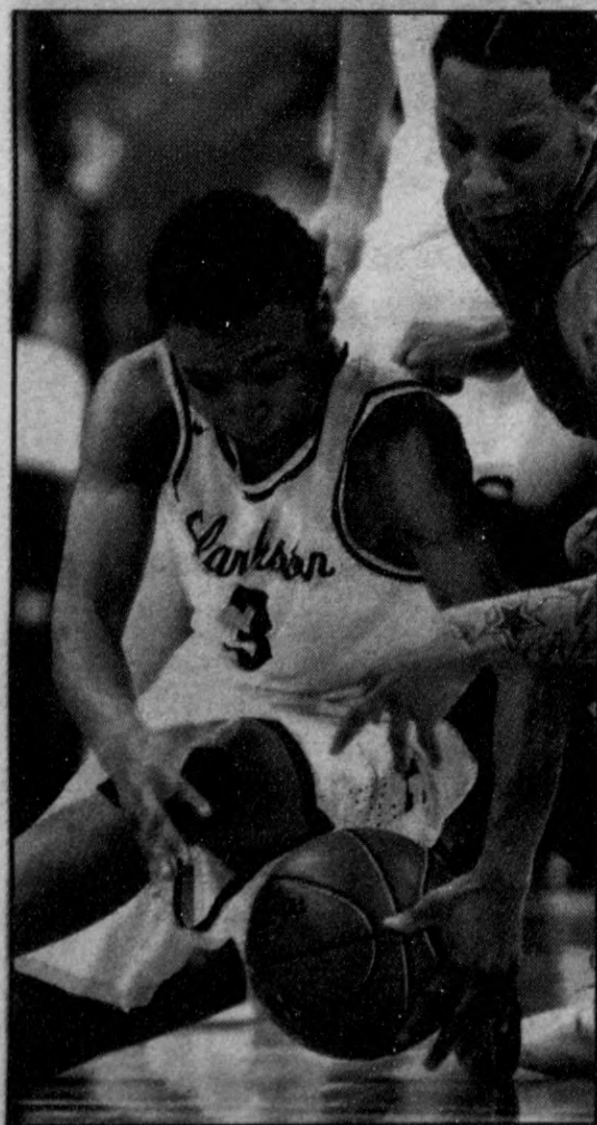


Taylor Currie shoots to tie the score 8-8 in the first quarter.

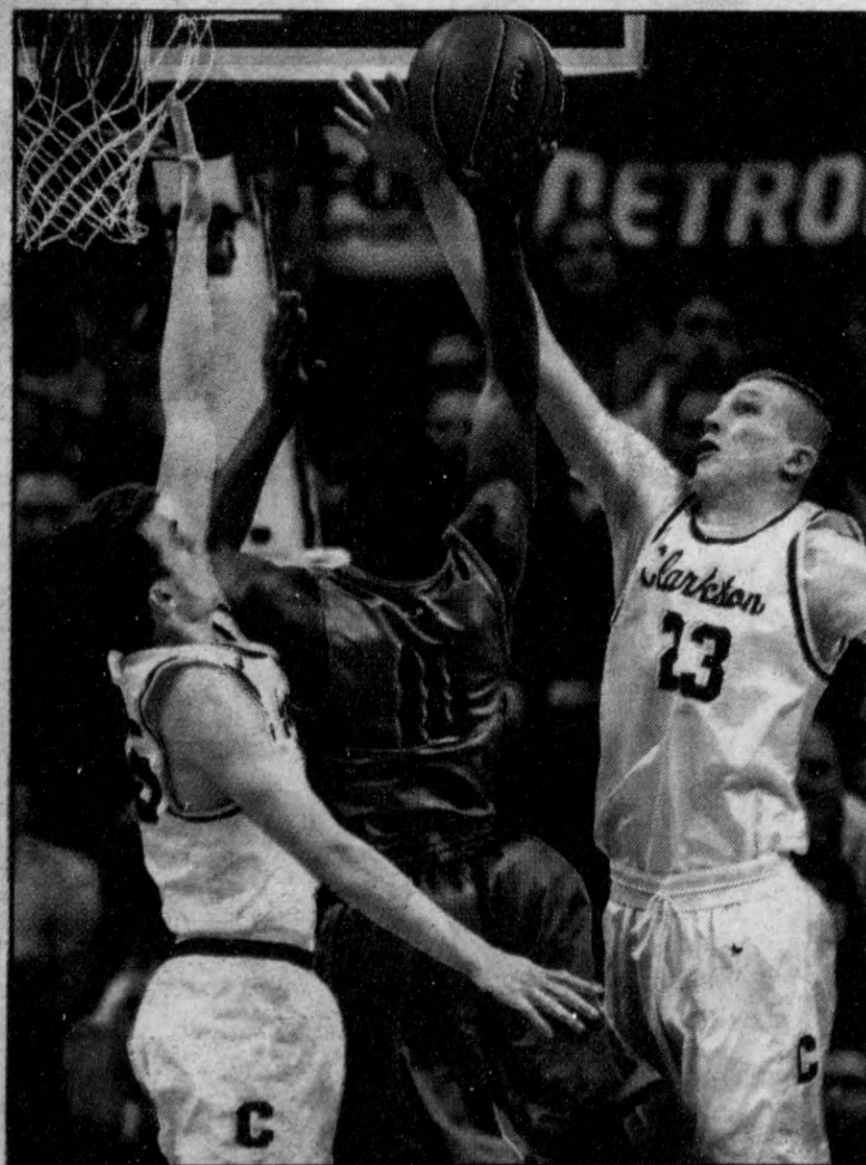
Win seals championship

Cagers faced their final test of the season head on as they defeated Grand Rapids Christian for the state championship, 75-69.

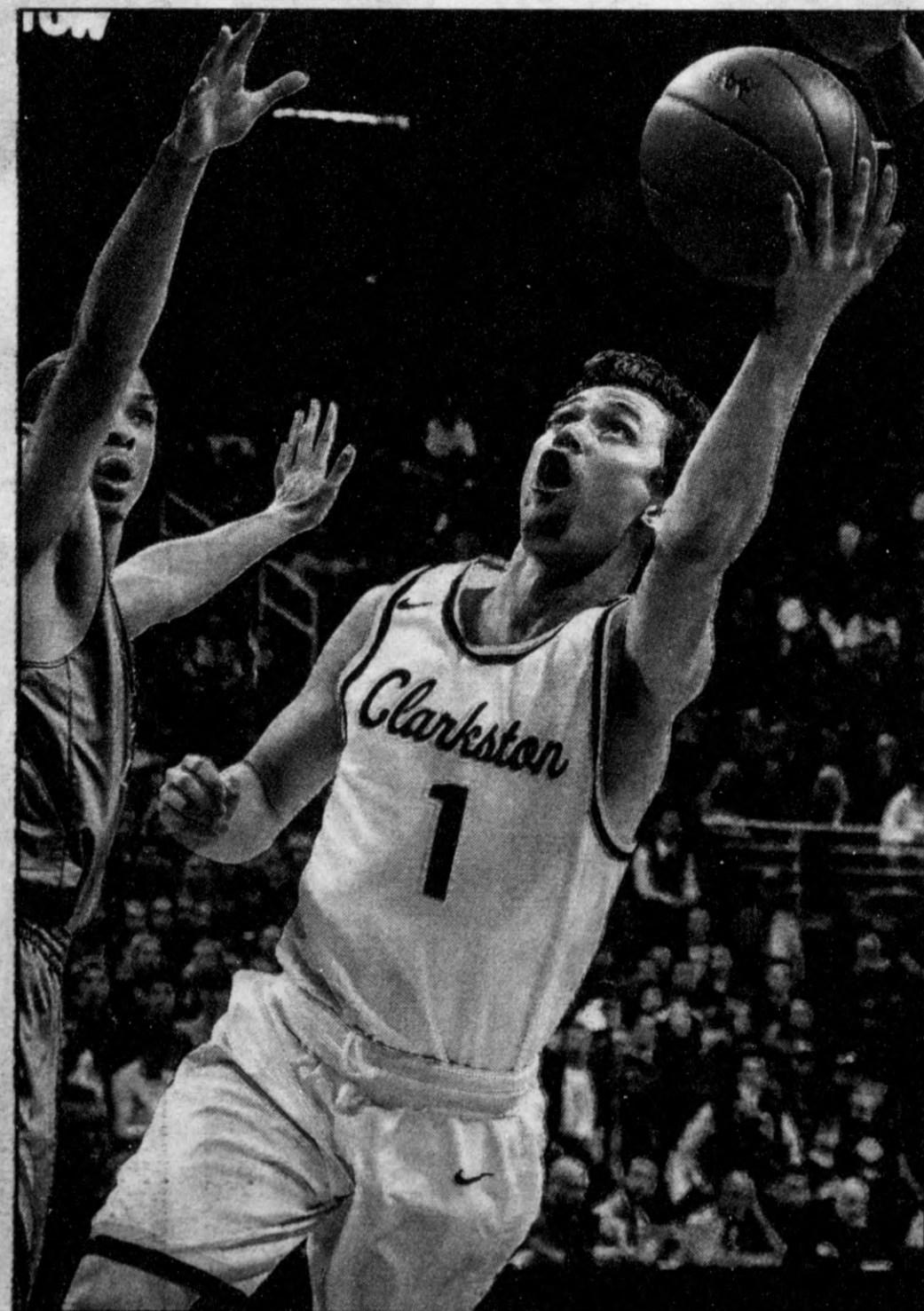
"Today we were able to get the job done and play well," said junior guard Foster Loyer.



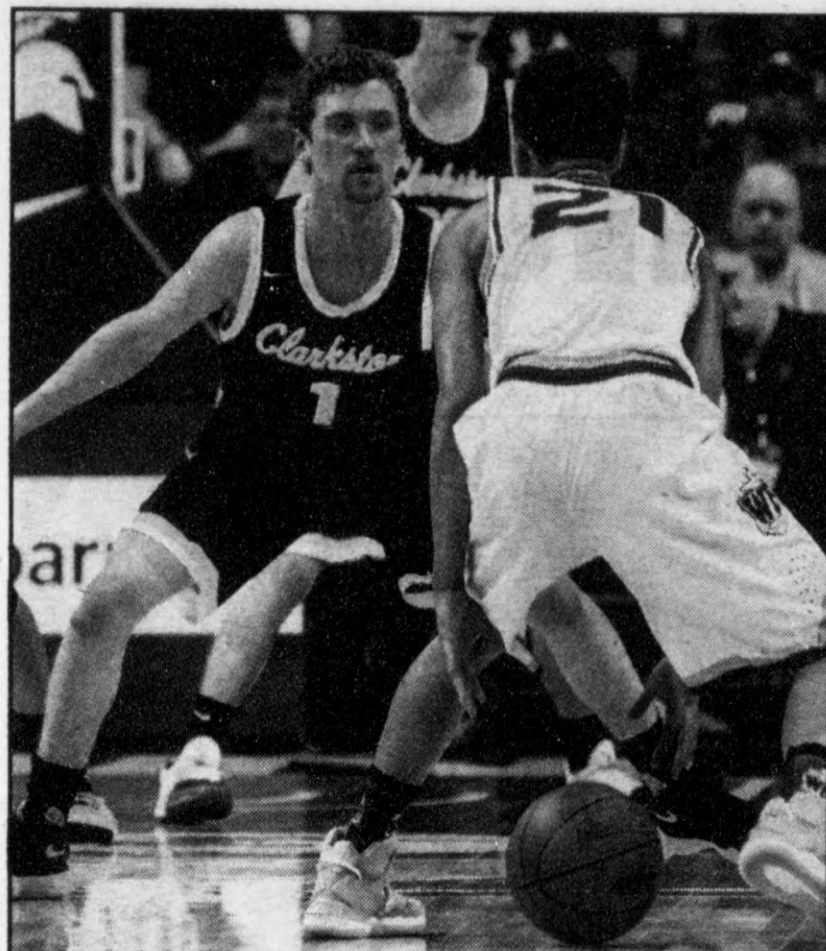
CJ Robinson rushes to get possession of a loose ball.



Nick Wells and Taylor Currie block Eagle Tre Vallar.



Foster Loyer stretches to score in the first half.



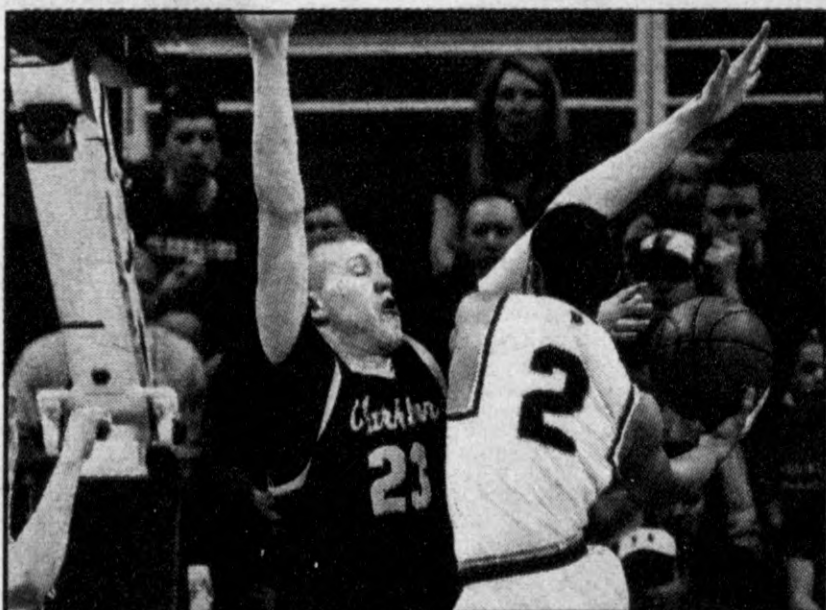
Foster Loyer keeps locked on West Bloomfield's senior guard Kevin McAdoo. Photos by Larry Wright

League battle in Lansing

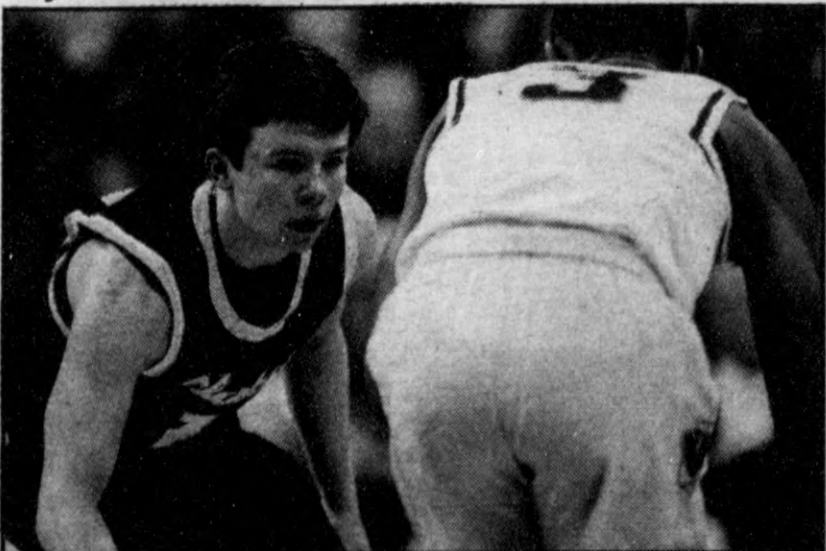
The Wolves reached the Final Four to take on West Bloomfield for the third time in the season at Michigan State University's Breslin Center, March 24.

After two closer games in the regular season, Clarkston jumped to the lead in the first quarter and held onto it, finishing with a 78-35 win to go into the championship game for the first time in Wolves' history.

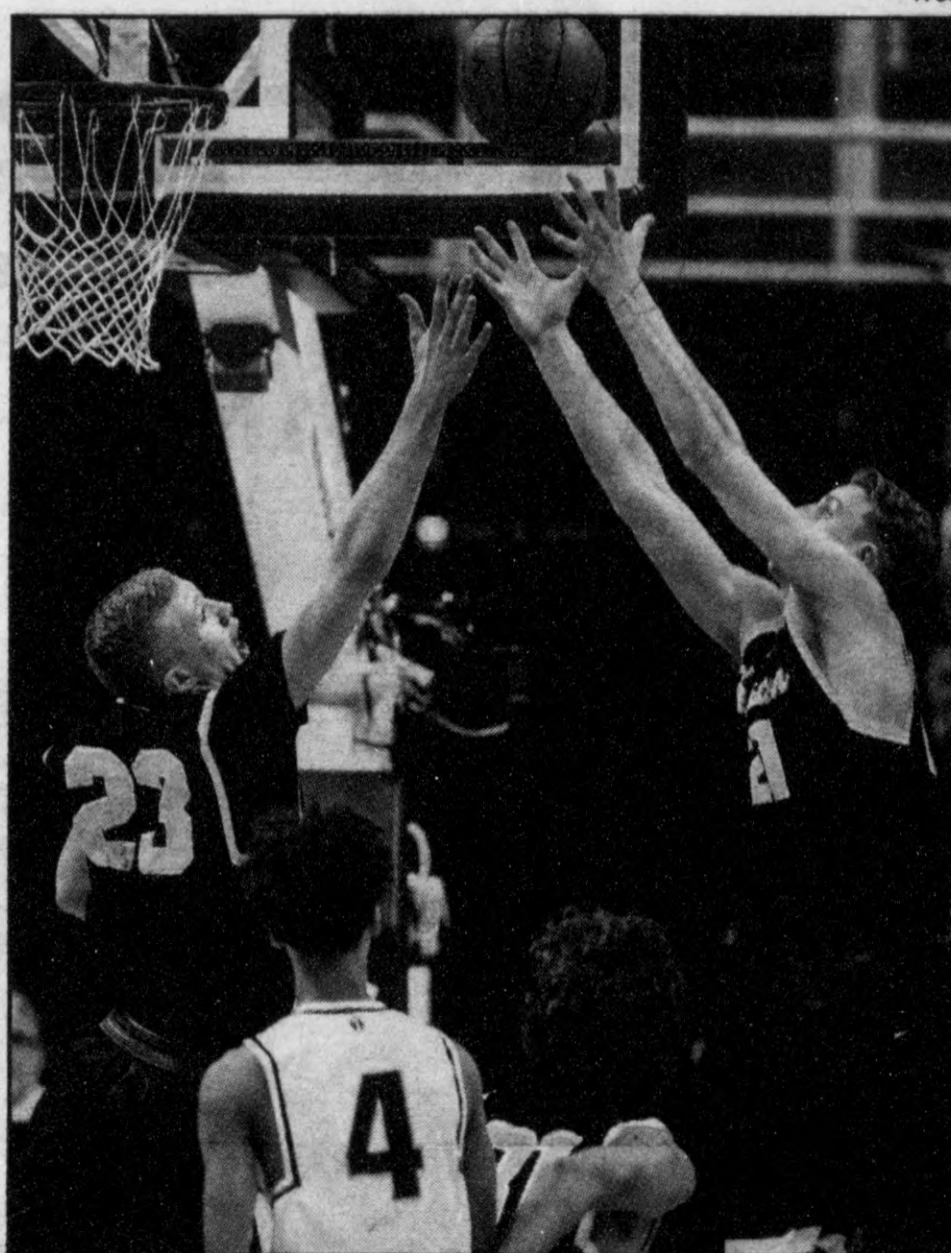
"When we are playing on all cylinders we are hard to beat," said Dan Fife, head coach.



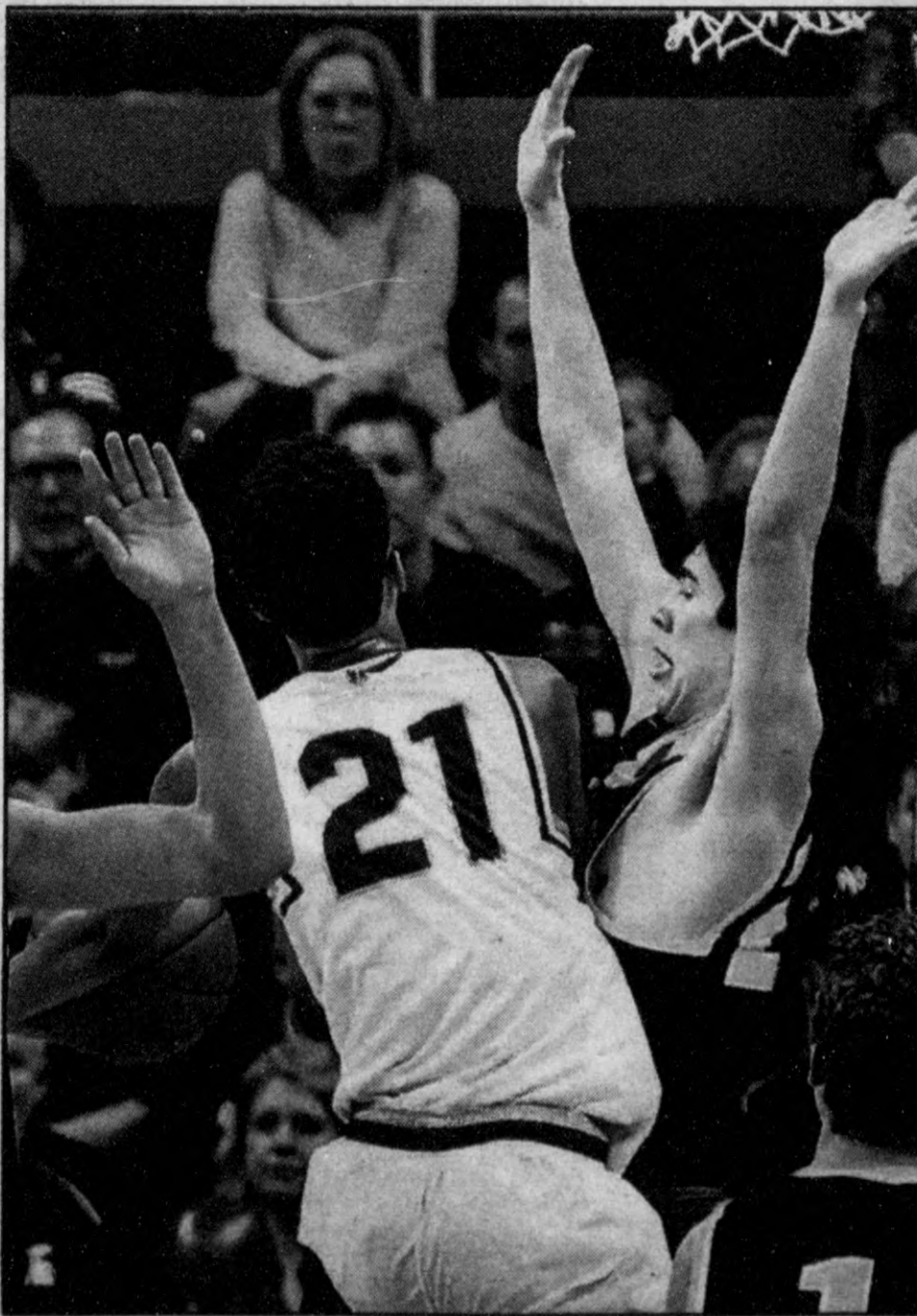
Taylor Currie blocks Garrett Winn.



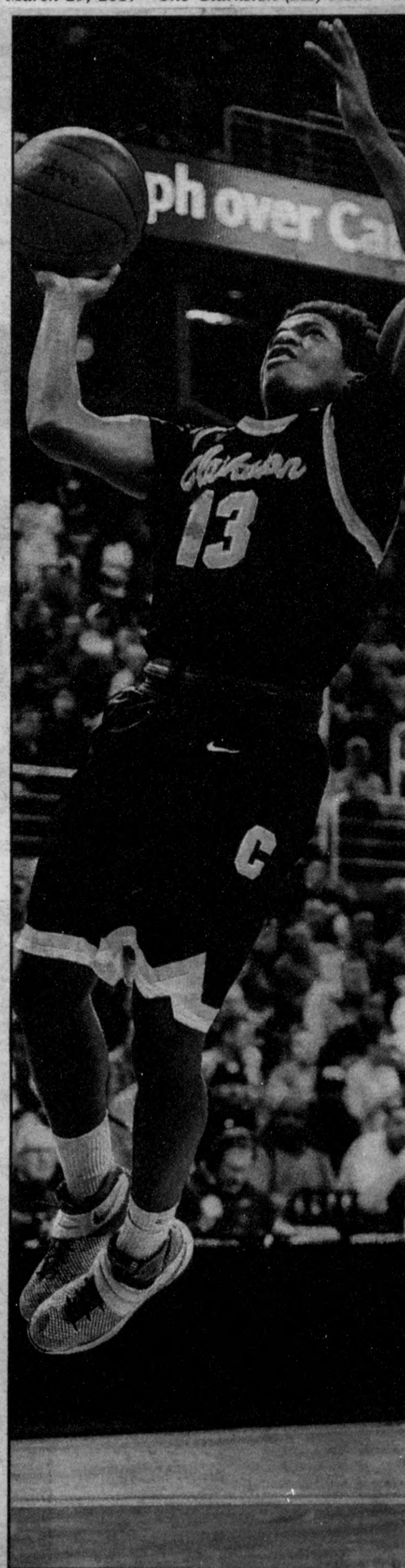
Junior Max Anderson closes in on Daniel Wrack.



Taylor Currie and Dylan Alderson reach for the Lakers' rebound.



Senior John Chrenka blocks Kevin McAdoo.



Junior Demond Mills-Bradley jumps.

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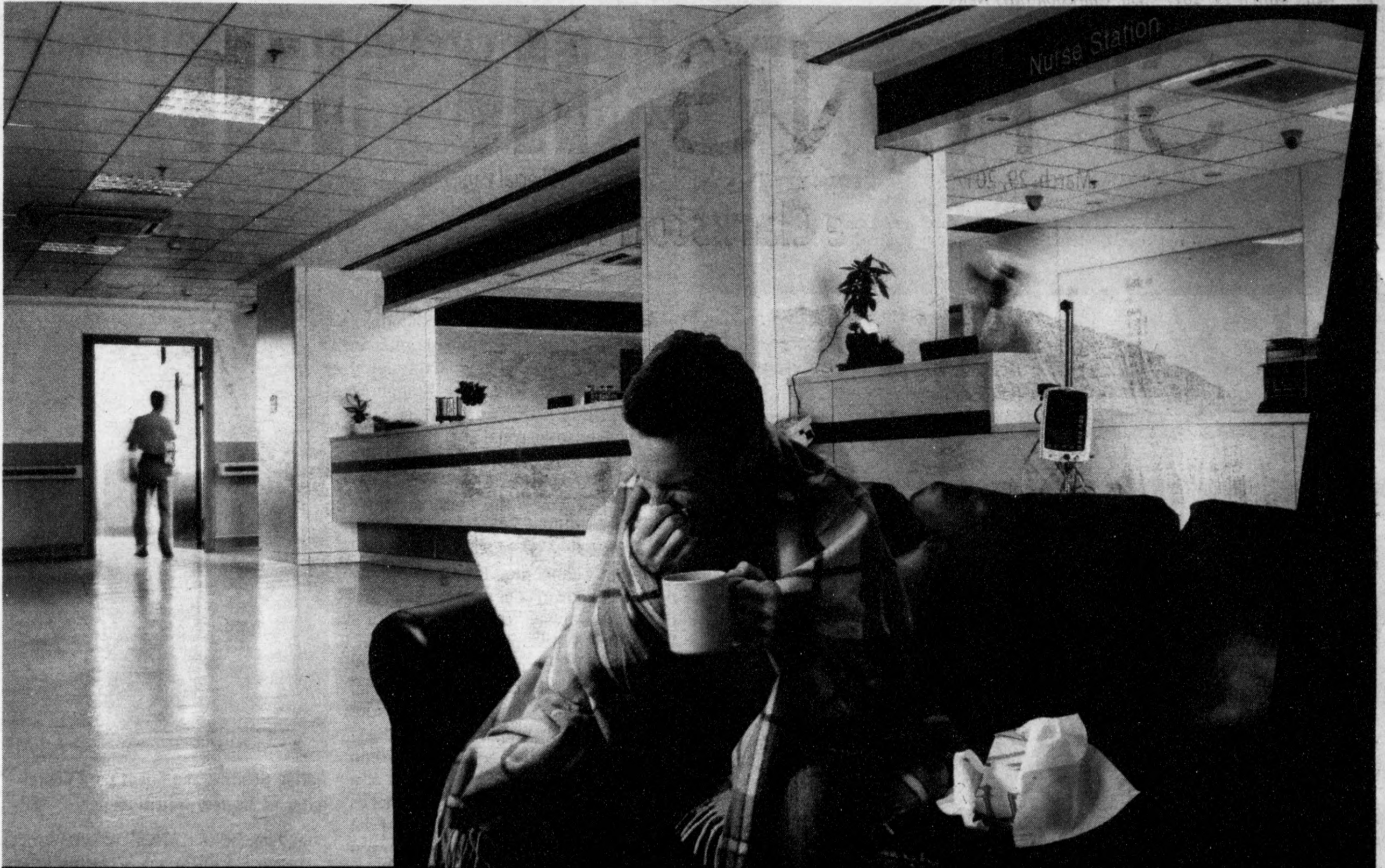


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Turn hay fever to spring fever with functional medicine

By Adrian Schirr

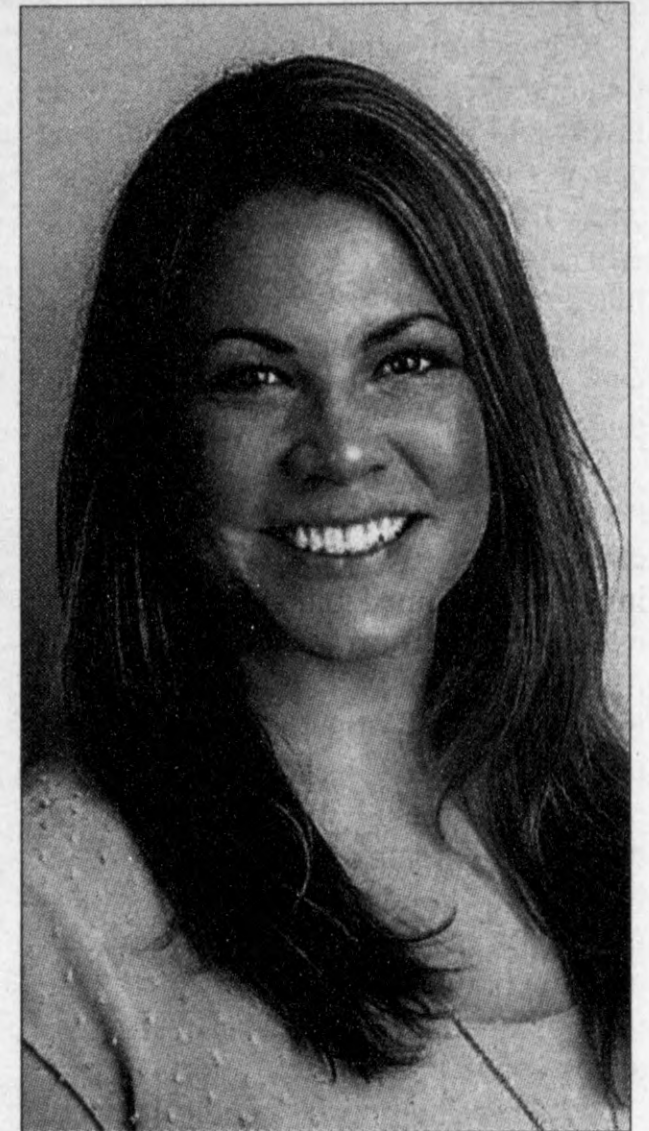
For some spring is a time of colorful blossoms and fresh cut grass. It's a time of rebirth and beauty. For most, however, it's a time of misery. A time when itchy, watery eyes and stuffed up noses wreak havoc on everyday life and night. For every inch of green on the ground, there is sure to be an equal amount of pollen in the air. While some may walk through it obliviously, most will suffer throughout the summer and even into the fall.

When those seasonal allergies attack, it might be easy to head to the store and stock an armory of every over-the-counter medicine from every ad that's come across your television screen. It might be easy to suppress the symptoms, but it's only temporary. The sneezy, runny nose, the tickle in your throat, and all that congestion always comes back with a vengeance. While many believe that this is something they just have to live with, what most don't know is that seasonal allergies are the symptoms of one root cause, something bigger.

Like an ailing tree, a gardener would never heal the disease one branch at a time. While he may look to the branches for clues, he would go to the root of the tree to heal it as a whole. So, how do you find the root cause of your ailment? Let me introduce you to a concept that most pharmaceutical companies wish you never heard: Functional Medicine.

Symptoms are your body's way of telling you that something is wrong; they are a cry for help. By masking those cries with meds, you aren't healing. All you're really doing is prolonging your suffering. Functional Medicine nutritionists and doctors use those symptoms to find the root cause—the bigger picture—and eliminate it. Seasonal allergies are no exception.

Instead of chasing symptoms in circles, Functional Medicine addresses the underlying issues and discovers what your body needs as one integrated system. For example, a common culprit during allergy season is the gut. While this might seem hard to accept, think about how the gut directs the entire body. The gastrointestinal tract, the *gut*, runs as a hollow tube from the mouth to the stomach and down to the anus. Connecting the central nervous system, it is the second brain of the body—the command center for every organ. If it isn't healthy, the body isn't healthy, causing an over-



Adrian Schirr is the Client Care Coordinator at Nuview Nutrition.

abundance of inconvenient symptoms.

Increased intestinal permeability, or "leaky gut," is a condition that occurs when the lining of the intestinal wall is overgrown with bad bacteria and weakens, becoming porous or "leaky." This allows undigested foods, yeast, bacteria, and toxins into the otherwise sterile bloodstream. As a result, the immune system then launches an attack on those invaders, creating inflammation throughout the body. Inflammation that occurs from leaky gut can come in many forms: autoimmune disease, thyroid disease, heart disease, obesity, IBS, Diabetes, joint pain, skin conditions, fatigue, and yes, seasonal allergies.

For a head start on symptom relief, remember the foods that have been known to make allergies worse include wheat, sugar, dairy, caffeine, and alcohol. Some have even found that their symptoms have been reduced by simply removing gluten from their diet. While eliminating certain things from your diet is important, what you add is just as significant.

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Treating weather-related joint pain

Early spring is often marked by wind and rain that precedes the more welcoming warmth synonymous with late spring and summer.

Rainy, damp conditions may be great for homeowners looking to revitalize their lawns and gardens, but such conditions can wreak havoc on achy joints, especially for those who experience arthritis. Although there is no concrete proof to link aching joints and muscles with damp weather, rheumatologists are often asked why achy joints and muscles tend to ache that much more in damp weather.

Dropping barometric pressure, which occurs when rain is on the horizon, may cause tissues to swell. Swelling tissues in already inflamed joints can add to pain, especially if these tissues push into nerves and muscles in the area. According to a survey published in the journal *Pain*, two-thirds of people living with chronic joint pain believe there is a link between their pain and weather changes. Changes in humidity and temperature also may play a role, affecting pressure all over the body. Joint pain may not be the only effect, as some people get headaches as well.

While spring may be a painful time of year for sufferers of joint pain, there are steps such men and women can take to alleviate some of those aches. When rainy or cooler temperatures loom, try these ideas.

See your doctor. If your pain is growing more severe, consult with your doc-



tor, who may be able to develop a plan that helps you deal with the changing seasons more comfortably. Doctors may suggest chiropractic manipulation, or physical therapy or prescribe pain medications.

Keep the body warm. Cold limbs and joints may be more prone to stiffness and pain. Dress in layers and use heating pads to combat chilly temperatures.

Exercise painful joints. Rely on low-impact exercises, such as walking or swimming, to loosen up stiffness in the body. Loosening up and stretching before any intense workouts is recommended.

Rainy weather may be in the forecast, and that can mean increased pain for those with achy joints. Working with a medical professional can help take the "ouch" out of seasonal

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For allergy symptom relief and prevention, you'll want to include foods that provide respiratory support, such as chicken or beef bone broth. Immune boosting foods, like apple cider vinegar, raw honey and cinnamon, are a nice addition to hot water or tea.

For strong immune support and digestion, you'll want to stock up on probiotic-rich foods, such as Greek yogurt and raw cheese. Of course, you can never go wrong with a few servings of fresh, organic vegetables

throughout your day.

A Functional Medicine approach will heal your body as a whole, rather than camouflage each symptom by flooding your body with meds.

Don't know where to begin? Start with a call to Nuviv Nutrition, a Functional Medicine practice. Our staff is waiting to guide you with a customized nutrition plan. Remember, with the right tools and nourishment, your body has the natural ability to restore to its pre-symptom form. If you give it the right environment, it will heal itself.

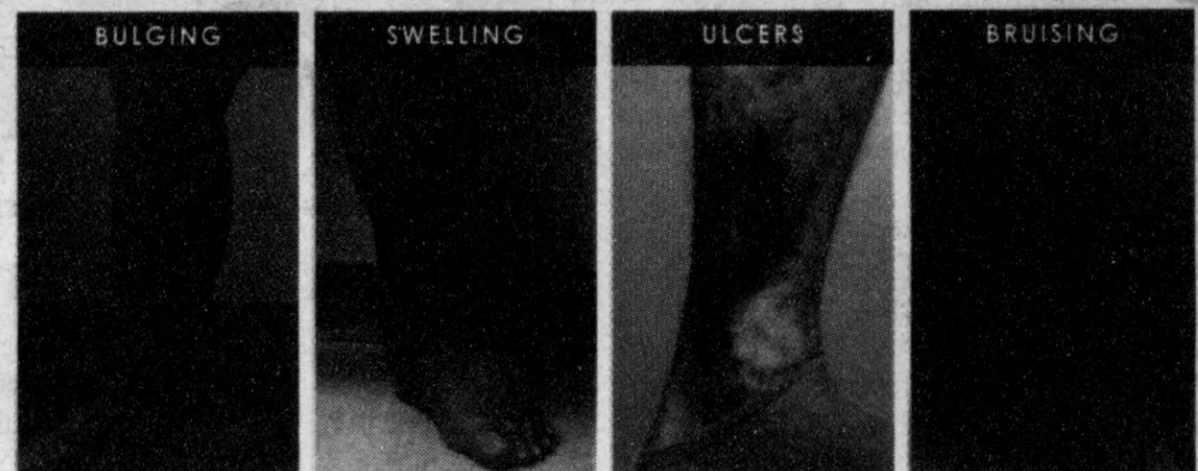
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Events

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).

Emotional Wellness Class, April 25, 6:30 p.m., Nuvview Nutrition, 7300 Dixie Highway Suite 500. How to improve emotional health through coaching, diet, supplement support. \$15. Pre-register, 248-625-5143.

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

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

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

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

Around Town

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



Cindy Crandell, owner of Nuvview Nutrition, and Nancy Parran, Front End Manager for Neiman's Family Market. Photo provided

Food donations for Lighthouse

Nuvview Nutrition is collecting non-perishable food and personal hygiene items through April 10 for Lighthouse of Oakland County, Clarkston, at the Nuvview office at 7300 Dixie Highway, Suite 500.

Nuvview has also teamed up with Neiman's Family Market of Clarkston. Shopping bags filled with healthy food

items are ready for purchase for \$10, in a stand by the service desk up front.

"Once you purchase the bag you can drop it off at our office or leave it at the store and we will pick up and bring back to our office collection," said owner Cindy Crandell. "We truly appreciate every item that is donated and know it goes to a fabulous cause."

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.

Grocery Store Class by Nuvview 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

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

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

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

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

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

Nuvview 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](https://www.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.

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

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Sunday, April 9 1-5 pm

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Fifth graders Anna Reineck and Alex Brigham build a house in the Lego competition.



Second grader Max Olson builds with Legos.

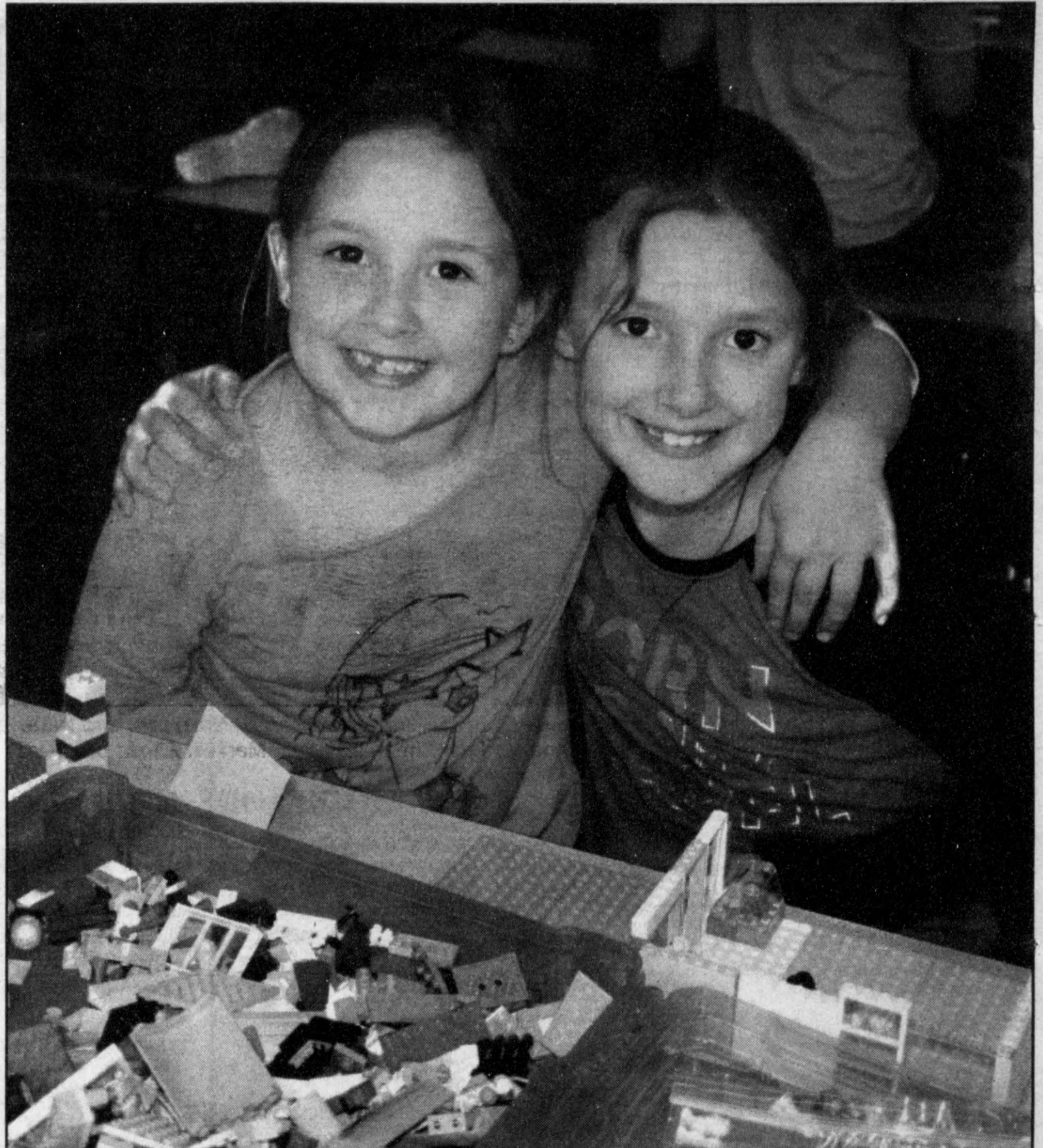
Lego creators

Clarkston Elementary students from all grades got together last Thursday for a Lego Competition.

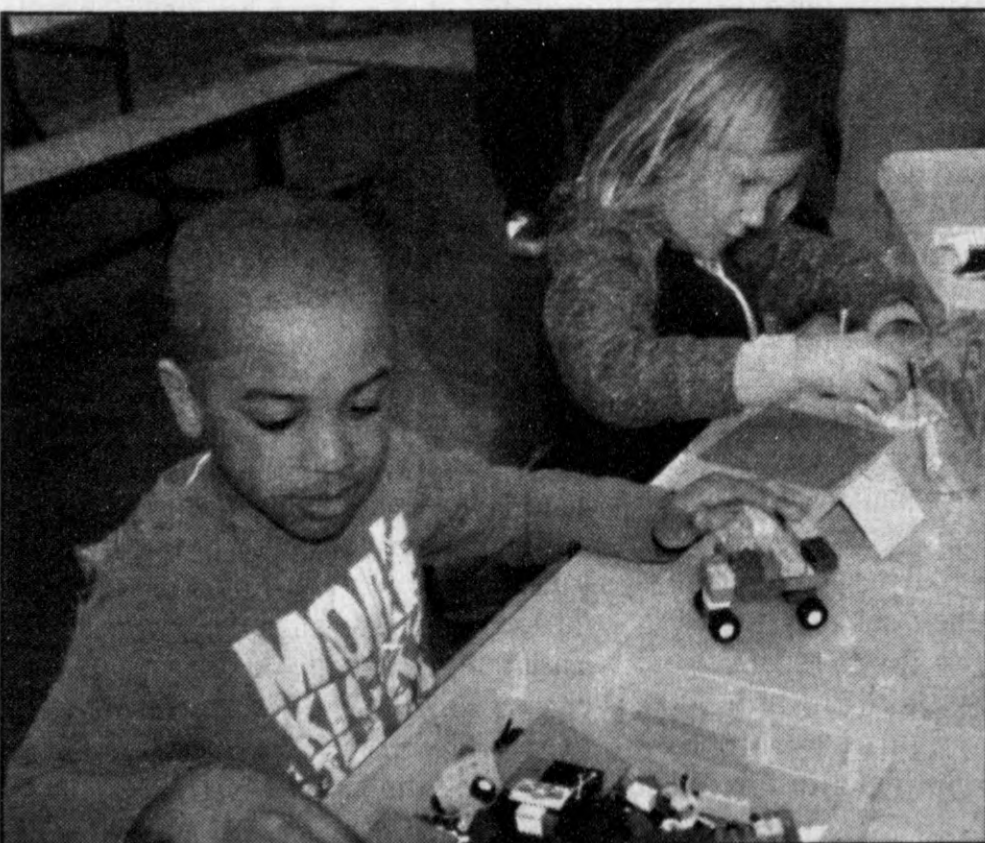
Students enjoyed sweet snacks as they built job-themed Lego constructions within a 35 minute time limit.

When time was up, the students' work was judged and one student per grade got a prize for their Lego creations.

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From left, second graders Emma Carter and Emma Redman with their lego projects.



First graders Nathan Moore and Anna Katakowski make use of wheels and other Legos.



Third grader Lucy Fabrizio builds a home entryway with Legos.



Kindergartener Andrew Fielbrandt works on Lego wheeled vehicles.

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Power of transformation

I'm not sure that I completely buy into the whole Big Bang Theory idea.

I mean, who was there to hear it? Like the saying goes, "If a tree falls in the forest and there is no one there to hear it, does it make a noise?" Or my favorite version, "If a man speaks in the forest and there is no woman to hear him, is he still wrong?"

I do believe that science continues to unravel the mystery of creation and yet there will always be mystery.

Did all of existence, the Universe, come from a single point of energy the size of a walnut? I don't know, that is the current theory.

The expanding nature of the Universe, background radiation or the echo of the big bang, plus many other observations point in that direction.

And, I believe the Big Bang Theory is consistent with the creation story as it is told in the book of Genesis as well as in other traditions.

Out of nothing something came into existence through an orderly process of events, days or cycles. Behind this process are principles or laws which are personified as divine beings, God or gods and goddesses. These divine beings not only acted upon creation but were the source or substance of what is created.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." Genesis 1:1-2.

What was in the beginning other than God? What science continues to unravel is how God is expressing through principal and law as the process of creation and ultimately is the substance out of which creation expresses.

Some scientists like to say that there is no God and that their science proves it. Many people like to say that there is no science and that their faith proves it. I like to say "nobody's right if everybody's wrong!" (Buffalo Springfield, For What It's Worth - 1967)

Everybody has a right to be wrong, and we have to accept what others believe as

being true for them.

Acceptance is not approval. It does not require that you support the idea or belief or life style.

It does not mean that you have to believe the same way or have to promote it. It only means that we acknowledge its existence. And that is all any of us really want, to be acknowledged and accepted for who we are. Until we do that, we are not going to be able to have the dialogue or exchange of ideas that allows for greater understanding, peace and harmony.

Many, maybe most and possibly all, of us desire to be heard and will not listen to other points of view until we are. We are like rebellious teenagers, the more you tell us what to do the less likely we are to do it.

The more you deny my beliefs, the harder I cling to them and the less likely I will be to acknowledge you and your beliefs. We begin the process of creating peace and harmony by acknowledging what is, listening and accepting another's viewpoints as valid for them. Then we still make them clean their room.

One of the greatest mysteries of Christianity is the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter morning. Maybe one day science will be able to unlock the process by which this occurred.

For now, I do believe something incredible had to have happened in order to transform Peter, a bumbling, stumbling, Jesus denying fisherman into a healing, preaching dynamo willing to die for his beliefs. And, not just Peter but all of those who followed the path that Jesus laid out.

Metaphorically, we all have to go through a crucifixion experience in order to be resurrected into a greater level of being joyous, happy and free.

We cross out the negativity we have experienced through our faith in a greater level of being, God the Great Mystery, that is coming into expression through you and I and all of creation. So as we complete the Lenten Season and prepare to celebrate Easter, we accept life on life's terms while envisioning and affirming a new and greater level of joy and fulfillment embracing the Great Mystery.

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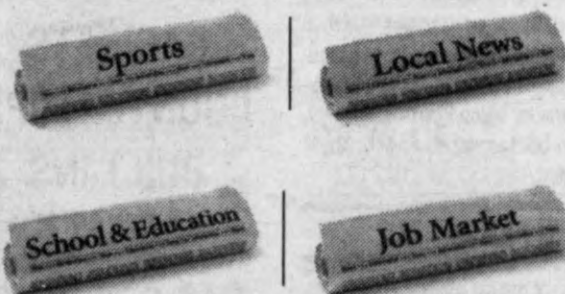
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Death notices & Obituaries

Gary L. Azbell, 69

Gary L. Azbell of Clarkston passed away March 22, 2017, at age 69.

He was preceded in death by his wife Christine, brother Michael and dog Casey. He was the loving father of Shane (Brandin) Azbell, Sarah-Jane (Mark) Jankovich, Brad (Michele) Eickhorst and Angela (Christopher) Dodman; proud grandfather of Zachary, Zoey, Angelina, Ella, Lanny, Sydney, Daisy, Daphne and Milo; dear brother of Susan (Michael) Pcholinski; canine companion of "Harry" a Spinone Italiano.

Gary was a Professor of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Land Surveying at Macomb Community College for over 41 years. He enjoyed being a Conservationist and a lover of the outdoors. Visitation and Time of Remembrance Sharing was March 25 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Memorial Mass, 11 a.m., Saturday, April 8, at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Duane P. Bills Jr., 64

Duane P. Bills Jr. of Clarkston went to be with the Lord March 22, 2017, at age 64.

He was the beloved husband of Aletha for 42 years; loving father of Duane, Doug, Derrick (Katelyn), Krista (Trent) Clark, Darin (Kelly) and the late Dale (Kristy) Bills; son of Duane and Dee Bills; proud "Pa Pa" of Dakota, Dalton, Drew, Aspyr, Derrick Jr., Brin, Andrew, Wyatt, Penny, Anna, Delaney, Levi and one on the way; brother of Brenda Madar, Daniel Bills, David Bills and Beverly (Don) Jeffries; son in law of Joseph and Shirley Tersigni; brother in law of Susan Tersigni, Steve (Anetta) Tersigni, Yvonne (Randy) Brewer, Mark Tersigni, Kevin (Dawn) Tersigni and Vincent (Lori) Tersigni; also survived by many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Duane was the owner/operator of B & B Sewer and Septic for 40 years.

Rosary Service was March 26 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was March 27 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford. Rite of Committal All Saints Cemetery. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Sally M. Glavach, 92

Sally M. Glavach of Clarkston passed away March 23, 2017, at age 92.

She was preceded in death by her husband Dominick and brother John Klyder. She was the adoring mother of Cindy (Chris) Bridgeman, Linda Millmine and David Glavach; cherished grandmother of Andy (Amber) Bridgeman, Jeffrey (Jennifer) Heath, Brian (Sherri) Bridgeman, Dominick (Colleen) Heath, Ashley Glavach, Adam Glavach and Amber Glavach; proud great grandmother of Noah, Kailey, Abby, Brooklyn, Travis, Carter and Harper.

Sally was well known for her beautiful perennial gardens and her exceptional skills as a seamstress. She will be missed by many.

Rosary Service was March 27 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was March 28 at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Rite of Committal Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. Daniel Catholic Church. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Albert D. Raby, 81

Albert D. Raby of Waterford, formerly of Pontiac, passed away March 19, 2017, at age 81.

He was the husband of Jean; father of Janice (Mark) Coleman; grandpa of Justin Coleman; great grandpa of Paisley; brother of Barbara Williams, Carol Ann (Larry) Estes, Clark Raby, Linda Lacy, Donna Setser, Gloria (Mitchell) Owenby; stepfather of Gary Moore Sr., Debra (Van) Lundy, Denise Mattucci and their children: Gary, Melissa, Bobby Joe, Nathan, Jacob; preceded in death by first wife Reva of 40 years, second wife Lucille, sisters Jackie and Helen; also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Al served in the U.S. Army and retired from Fisher Body. He was dedicated to serving the Lord.

Visitation was March 23 at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Funeral service was March 24 at Oakland Woods Baptist Church, Clarkston. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to a church of your choice. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.



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TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE MARCH 21, 2017

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:10 PM at Independence Township Hall.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Loughrin, Ritchie, Schroeder
Absent: None

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: David McKee, DPW Director; Lt. Larry Perry, Oakland County Sheriff's Office; Mitch Petterson, Fire Chief; Rick Yaeger, Budget & Operations Analyst; Steven P. Joppich, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich, PC

- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented.
- E. CLOSED SESSION: None.
- F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Trustee Schroeder; Supervisor Kittle; Clerk Pallotta
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- H. PUBLIC HEARING: None
- I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS: None
- J. CARRYOVER/POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None
- K. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2017
2. Approval of the Payroll of March 10, 2017 and the Check Run of March 14, 2017, for a Total Amount of \$408,203.09

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None

M. REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Approval of 2nd Reading & Adoption of Ordinance; Alex's Market Planned Unit Development
2. Approval of Amendment to Previously Adopted Motion #2014-03-049-1 - Commodity Water Rate
3. Approval of License and Maintenance Agreement - Cityworks/Azteca Systems, LLC
4. Approval to Waive Procurement Policy and Accept Quote - 2017 Road Chloriding
5. Approval of 2017 Budget Amendment #7 - Brady Lodge Restoration Project / Floor Heat Vents
6. Approval of 2017 Budget Amendment #8
7. Acceptance of Proposal and Approval of 2017 Budget Amendment #9-Brady Lodge Restoration Project / Concrete Replacement
8. Approval of Sale of Vehicle / Ambulance - Fire Department
9. Approval of Out-of-State Travel - Fire Department
10. Approval of Request to Amend Motion #2016-12-226-b-Audit Advisory Committee Appointment
11. Approval of Reinstatement of Non-Union Employee Benefit Advisory Committee and Accept Recommendation to Appoint Non-Union Employee Member
12. Approval of Amendment to Previously Adopted & Amended Resolution No. 08-12 - Employee Benefit Policy
13. Acceptance of Letter of Engagement and Approval of Professional Services Agreement - 2016 Financial Audit

N. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:

1. Minutes: Audit Advisory Committee-Regular Meeting-Final, December 17, 2014
2. Minutes: Information Technology Oversight Committee-Final, February 7, 2017
3. Report: Building Department Monthly Activity Report-February 2017
4. Report: Fiscal 2016 Actual to Budget Final for Period Ending December 31, 2016
5. Communication: March 6, 2017: State of Michigan; Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs; Liquor Control Commission; New SDM License Issued: Auto City Service, Inc.; 7251 Main St. - Clarkston, MI 48346
6. Communication: Notice of Meeting to Hear Objections to Apportionment of Cost of Intra-County Drain Project for the Clinton River Water Resource Recovery Facility (Jim Nash, Chairperson of Drainage Board)
7. Communication: Notice of Public Hearing, County Ordinance #31-An Ordinance to Protect Public Safety Operations, Infrastructure Supporting

Public Safety Operations, and Critical Infrastructure; Wednesday, March 15, 2017 (Michael J. Gingell, Chairman-Oakland County Board of Commissioners)

- O. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Schroeder
- P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC
Township Clerk

Published: Wednesday, March 29, 2017

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

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That at a regular meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees held on March 21, 2017, the Township Board approved a Second Reading of the Alex's Market Planned Unit Development rezoning request and amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of reclassifying certain property situated in Section 31 of the Township from Limited Industrial (ML) to Planned Unit Development (PUD); Parcel #08-31-303-004, located on the north side of White Lake Road, east of Andersonville Road. The proposed plan is for a mixed use commercial development on a vacant site 3.16 acres in size. The project will consist of both passenger vehicle and truck fueling islands, a 10,054 sq. ft. main floor market/coffee shop/bakery, and an 8,123 sq. ft. grill/entertainment center in the upper level received from petitioner Holly Nannoshi Properties, LLC, 3745 Princeton Court - Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302-1248 as follows:



The motion to approve this rezoning was moved by Trustee Ritchie, Seconded by Trustee Aliaga. The vote on the motion was as follows: Yes: 7; Absent: None; No: 0. The motion carried.

Barbara A. Pallotta, Township Clerk

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 13, 2017 INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Please take notice that the Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on **Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.** for the purpose of considering Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments at the **Independence Township Hall Meeting Room, 6483 Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston MI, 48347-0069**, to consider the following:

PC File #2017-004

Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments
Revisions to Article 2 Definitions and Section 4.23(B) in order to permit Commercial Indoor Recreation in the ML Limited Industrial and GI General Industrial Zoning Districts.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUEST MAY BE EXAMINED at the Township Building Department during regular business hours. Written comments may be sent to the Planning Commission c/o the Independence Township Building Department, 6483 Waldon Center Dr., Clarkston, MI 48347-0069 prior to the Public Hearing/Meeting. For further information call (248) 625-8111.

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A **pre-bid meeting** will be held at **10:00 am, Tuesday, April 11, 2017.** Attendees are to meet at the main entry to Clarkston High School located at 6093 Flemings Lake Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

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Successful bidders whose proposals are \$50,000 or more will be required to furnish a satisfactory **Performance and Payment Bond** by a Treasury listed surety in the amount of 100% of their bid. The **cost of the Bond shall be included in each proposal.**

Bids shall be **accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists** between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the board or the superintendent. Additionally, bids shall **be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement for the Iran Economic Sanctions Act Affidavit of Compliance.** Bids not accompanied by these sworn and notarized statements will not be accepted by the Board.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids in whole or in part and to waive any informality or irregularity therein, or to award the contract to other than the low bidder, in its sole discretion. Clarkston Community Schools reserve the right to accept that bid which in its opinion, is in the best interest of the Owner.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

Estate of Patricia J. Connors. Date of Birth: December 27, 1929

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Patricia J. Connors, died January 10, 2017.

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

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Body, Mind, Green Expo at high school

Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce hosts the fifth annual Body, Mind, Green Community Expo, Thursday, March 30, from 5:30-8 p.m. in the Clarkston High School cafeteria.

The Expo will feature live demonstrations including water quality and preservation presented by Rainforest Café, cardio drumming from Impact Nutrition, cooking demos from HAP, free health screenings from St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital, free vision screenings from the Clarkston Area Lions Club and other activities.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office and Independence Township Fire Department will also be in attendance for a meet and greet.

Ilze Lucero, a local photographer and owner of Ilze Lucero Photography, said it has been a great experience to chair the planning committee for this year's Expo.

"I'm excited to see the local businesses participate at the Expo and showcase their services that contribute to the wellbeing of our community," she said.

The event is presented by St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital with corporate sponsors Michigan State University Federal Credit Union and McLaren Clarkston.

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce also works with Clarkston Community Schools to put on this event and host at Clarkston High School each year.

Follow the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce on Facebook and Twitter for health tip videos from exhibitors at the event, as well as information and details for upcoming chamber events this year.

Call 248-625-8055.

In our local churches...

Bible study of the story of Jacob, Mondays, 10 a.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2325.

Wednesday Evening Feast, 6 p.m., dinner; classes for all ages, 7-8 p.m. Free nursery. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. Call 248-625-3288 or check www.calvaryinfo.org

DivorceCare 13-weekly seminars, Thursdays, 6:45-8:30 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Call 248-625-1611.

First Friday Family Fun, 7 p.m., St. Trinity Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw Road. Board and video games, snacks for all ages, kids movies. Call 248-625-4644 for information.

Destination Imagination teams head to finals

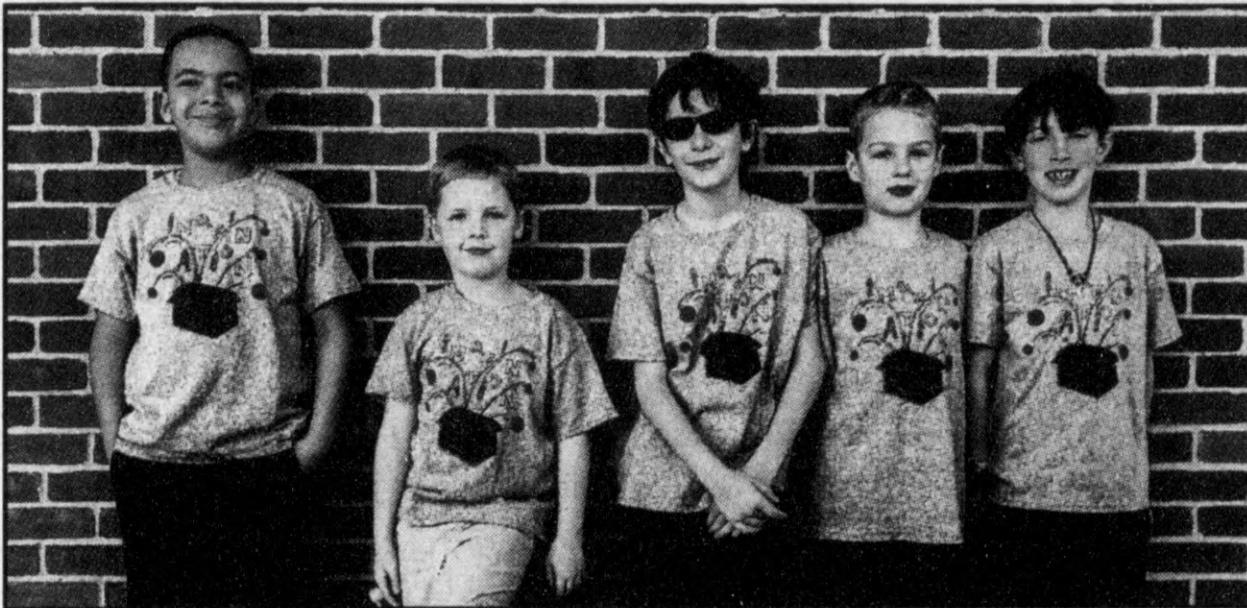
Clarkston's Destination Imagination teams will compete in the State Finals at Central Michigan University on April 8.

They achieved record-breaking results March 11 during the Regional Tournament at Waterford Mott High School. All six of Clarkston's 3-12 grade teams qualified for the DI State Finals Tournament, a first for the program. CCS was also proud to introduce a new Rising Stars team of K-2 graders at the Regional event.

During the competition, students researched Science Technology Engineering

Mathematics (STEM) and Fine Arts topics, creating unique solution within a specified budget and without direct input from adults.

This year students from Clarkston High, Junior High, Sashabaw Middle, and Bailey Lake, Springfield Plains, North Sashabaw, and Pine Knob elementary schools participated in the program, solving problems that involved constructing a movable stage, creating encryption methods, helping their community, improvisational acting, and creating an invention.



Pine Knob, North Sashabaw, and Bailey Lake students Micah Amega, Nicholas Salkowski, Valeri Slavov, Milo Dost, and Ryan Horvath. Photo provided by Heather Dost



Bailey Lake students Paulin Vich, Anna Voto, Tony Cach, Kyle Nord, Alex Gianakos, and Alex Paytner. Photo provided by Kris Nord



Chef Matt Bray, Chef Chad Barrett, and Dan Nestorovski, owner, are opening a new restaurant. Photo by Phil Custodio

Revival restaurant opening

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Dan Nestorovski, owner of Pizza Dolce in Independence Township, is expanding with a new restaurant off Dixie Highway.

His new Revival Eatery restaurant will feature the culinary talents of Chef Chad Barrett and Chef Matt Bray, Clarkston High School class of 2003 graduate.

Nestorovski opened Pizza Dolce at 7743 Sashabaw Road six years ago.

"It's been going great," he said. "We're looking to do something different. I've been making pizza for 20 years. This is a different venture."

Revival Eatery will offer modern American cuisine, Barrett said.

"Comfort food with an upscale twist," he said.

"Familiar flavors with different flavor profiles," Bray said.

Offerings will include Duck Poutine, the traditionally Canadian dish of fries served with gravy.

With their chocolate truffle spoon, the whole dish will be edible.

"You can eat the spoon," Bray said.

They will feature Michigan products, including Better Made pretzels and Vernors barbecue sauce, and pastries

made from scratch.

"Everything is fresh," Barrett said. "We only use the freezer for ice cream."

Barrett, a resident of Royal Oak, also brings his recent experience on the Food Network show *Guy's Grocery Games*. He competed in Season 12, Episode 8, on Feb. 19, and won.

"I am proof that hard work pays off. Growing up poor and raised by my single mother I had to get a job early on, which happened to turn into a wonderful career for me," he said. "I started out as a dishwasher at 14 years old and worked my way up through the ranks, soaking up all the information I could to become successful."

After he returned to Michigan, he met with Nestorovski to talk about the Revival restaurant.

"We met for just a few minutes and I hired him on the spot," the restaurant owner said. "We share the same vision for the restaurant, and where we want to go in the future."

Grand opening is Tuesday, April 4.

For more information, call the Revival Eatery, 4750 Walton Boulevard in Waterford, at 248-599-9725 or check www.RevivalEatery.com.

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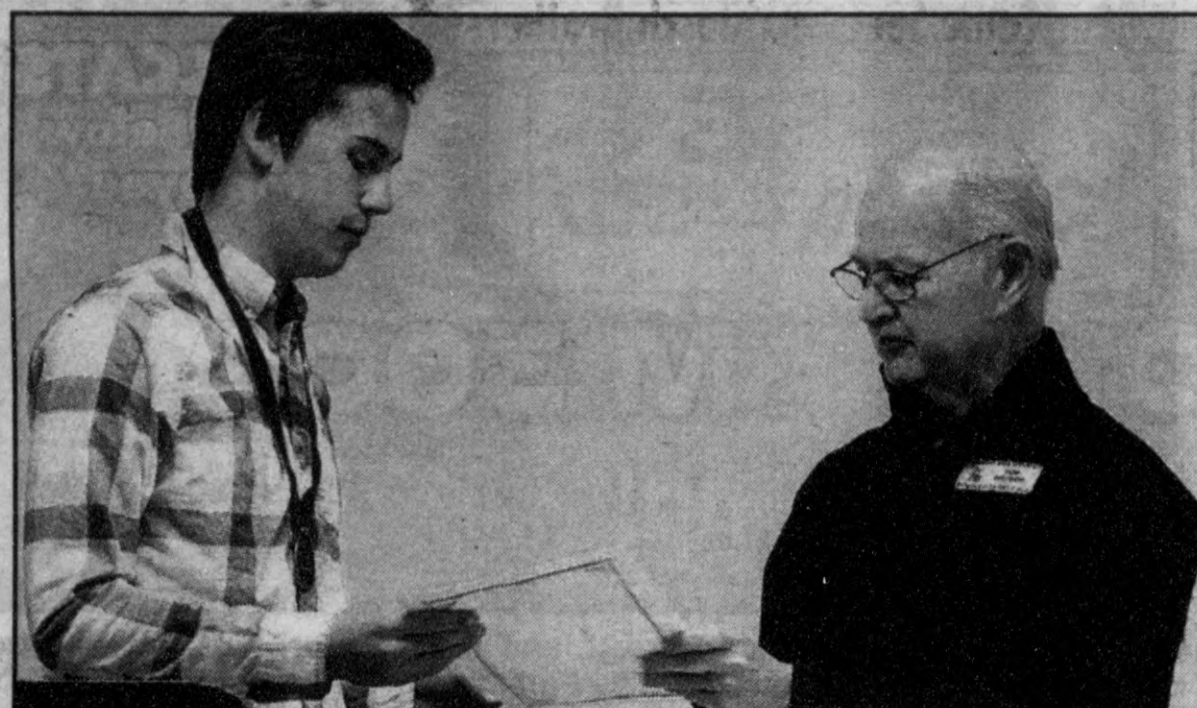
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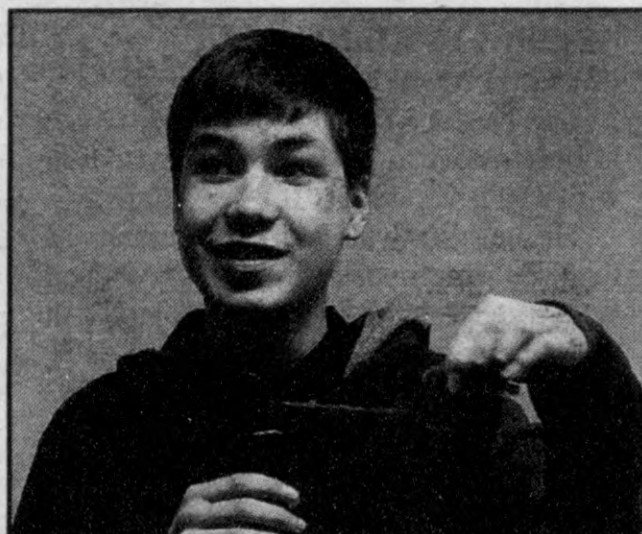
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Clarkston Optimist Club Essay Contest chair Tom Grubba presents the Gold medal certificate to writer Jack Gibbs. Photos by Phil Custodio



Grace Nolan reads her Silver medal essay.



Nathan Zimmer wrote about using optimism in his car-design work.

Power of optimism

Three student writers earned honors and cash prizes in the Clarkston Area Optimists Club Essay Contest.

Topic for the 700-800 word essays was "Chasing Optimism in the Face of Challenges." The winners were invited to the Optimists' March 15 breakfast meeting to share their writings.

Gold medal winner Jack Gibbs wrote about harnessing the power of optimism in the face of the tragic loss of his father,

Jeff Gibbs, to cancer.

Grace Nolan, winner of the Silver medal, wrote about how an optimistic outlook helped her overcome the pain and obstacles of juvenile rheumatoid arthritis to become a successful athlete at Clarkston High School.

Bronze medal winner Nathan Zimmer shared how hard work and optimism helped him build the fastest CO2 car in his class for an assignment.

Casino night for McLaren

The McLaren Oakland Foundation presents the All-in For a Cause casino night fundraiser to benefit the hospital's free mammogram and breast health program.

The event will begin at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 13, at the Pine Knob Mansion Carriage House, 5580 Waldon Road. The night will feature a strolling buffet, cocktails, a silent auction and a VIP poker/high-rollers room.

Individual tickets are available for \$75.

VIP tickets can be purchased for \$150, which includes a chance to win a two-year lease on a 2017 Cadillac ATS.

The program has provided almost 4,000 free mammograms to underserved local women since its inception in 2007. Fifty women were diagnosed with breast cancer and referred to a physician for treatment.

For tickets or additional information, call 248-338-5385 or visit mclaren.org/sistersister.

Around Town

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

50 Plus Active Adults, Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., lunches, guest speakers, musical performances, field trips, holiday parties, movies, bingo, games. Hart Community Center in Davisburg. \$8 yearly membership, \$5 lunch. 248-846-6558.

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

DivorceCare facilitated discussion, Thursdays, 6:45-8:30 p.m., Clarkston United Meth-

odist Church, 6600 Waldon Road, room 122. 248-625-1611.

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

Friday

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

Saturday

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

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Online auction

North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy is hosting its Trilliums Forever online auction fund raiser through March 31.

NOHLC is a private, non-profit organization based in Clarkston preserving more than 1,500 acres in north Oakland County.

For more information and link, go to at www.facebook.com/NOHLCMI.

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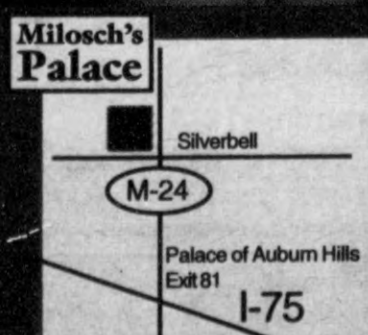
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