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in this week's edition

# Community works together to kick off SCAMP with picnic

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

For the past 30 years, volunteers have worked together to raise funds and organize SCAMP for kids with special needs, each summer starting with a picnic at Independence Oaks County Park, July 25.

This year's picnic at the Twin Chimneys pavilion is led by John Spokaeski, who has volunteered with the non-profit organization almost since its beginning, and Aimee Baker, in her first year as executive director.

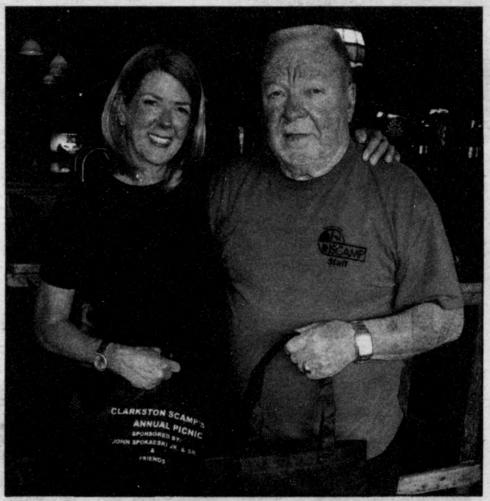
"Kids love it. They just have a ball," said Spokaeski, who's known for bringing the watermelon enjoyed by all. "I'm the watermelon man. We have hot dogs, potato chips, water, pop. The kids have fun."

Volunteers, community organizations, and businesses work all year to bring the five-week summer camp to all those who need it.

"I'm amazed at the generosity of Clarkston businesses, year after year, event after event," said Baker, who took over her position in April. "I couldn't be happier. I love it."

Spokaeski, an Oakland Township resident and owner of Eagle Valley Recycle and Disposal Facility, started working with SCAMP when he joined the North Oakland Elks in the 1980s.

"The picnic was a neat thing they were doing – I took it over," he said. "One year, we had a fishing contest for about 150 kids. We only



Aimee Baker, SCAMP executive director, and longtime SCAMP volunteer John Spokaeski are hard at work, organizing the annual picnic at Independence Oaks. *Photo by Phil Custodio* 

had five rods. I went to Meijer and told them I needed 150 rods. They said, 'are you serious?'"

They got a manager and told him to come back in a few hours, he remembered.

"When I came back, they had close to 200 rods," he said. "It was a hot day with a lot of smiles."

Lake Orion and Oxford American Legion posts helped immensely, along with the Wints, Smiths, Mel Vaara, state Sen. Jim Marleau, and many other Clarkston organizations, businesses, and individuals, he said.

"There are so many people, I can't name everyone," he said.

"This is so much about relationships," Baker said.

Independence Township Fire Department brings its fire trucks, and Oakland County Sheriff's

Please see Picnic on page 13

FAST TIMES AT FAIR: Aidan Stark and Lennon Bingham enjoy some race car thrills at the Oakland County Fair Big Rock Amusements carnival. The fair runs until Sun-

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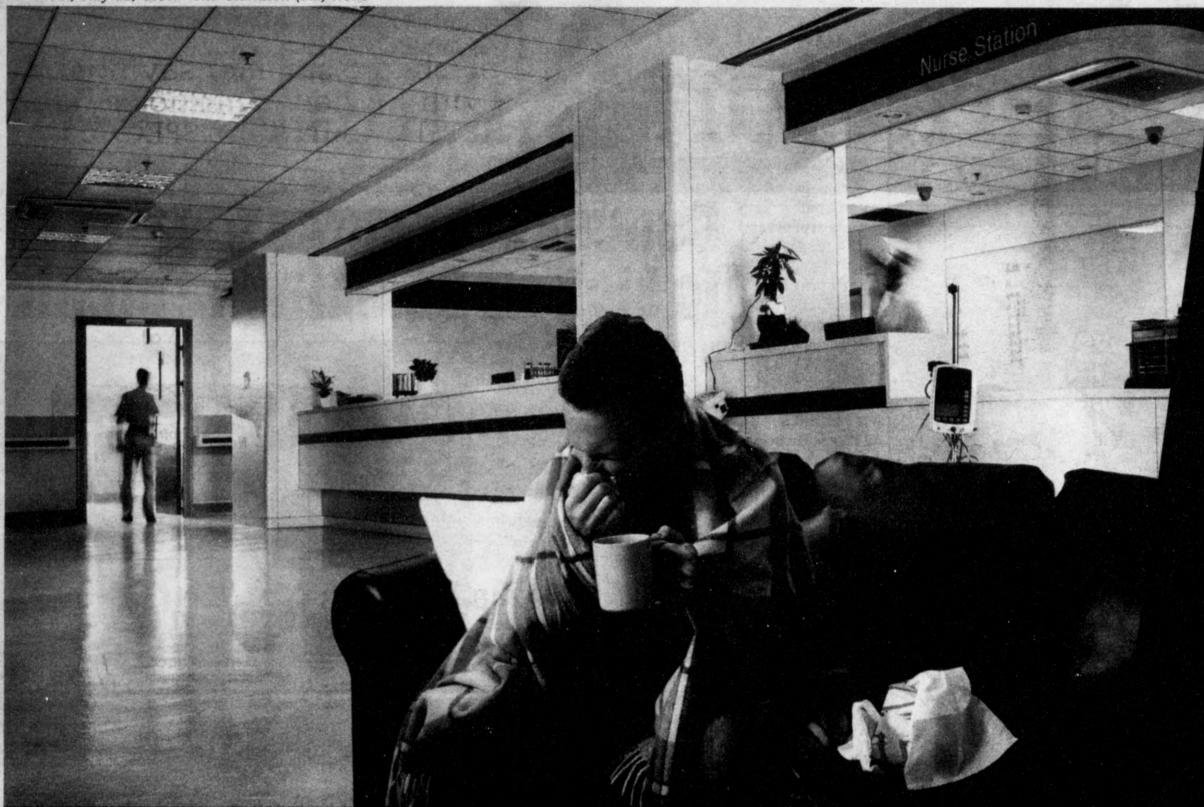
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Margie Lopez combines running water and giant beds of hosta to bring serenity to her yard. Photos provided



Kevin and Joy Kelly include terracing and color to magnify their location.

#### Garden Walk

At Clarkston Farm and Garden Club's 12th annual Garden Walk on July 19, an abundance of natives will be only one of the highlights, said Debi Moore, event chair.

Altogether, six lovely gardens with blooms galore are featured on this year's walk.

A list of plantings will be available at all the gardens the day of the walk, Moore said.

Garden Club members, many master gardeners and all experienced gardeners, and some homeowners will be available at each site.

Kevin and Joy Kelly, who have called on their many travels to Germany, France, and Kevin's family homestead in Ireland, have brought European touches to their suburban landscape they have gardened for 30plus years.

The walk will feature their specimen trees and lush lawn. His favorite element is the Rose of Sharon in August; hers the seasonal changes in the white crab tree.

Both like the challenge of incorporating ideas from their travels into their own yard.

For Margie Lopez, serenity is key as she gardens along the rippling waters at the back of her site, also on this year's walk.

Between the colorful front beds and the birds, bees and butterflies visiting the back, she finds it hard to pick a favorite spot and happy to share with visitors the gardening efforts developed when she first fell in love with gardening about 14 years ago. An injury while gardening at her parents has put additional gardening chores on handyman Jeff George.

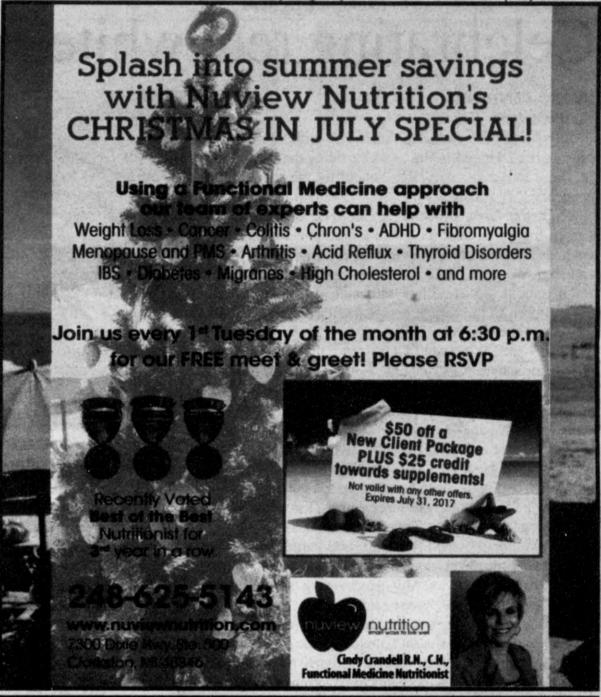
Returning is the Artisan Market on the library grounds and restaurant specials for Garden Walk attendees at several area restaurants.

The walk is 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, with the Artisan Market at the library, 11a.m. to 5 p.m. Advance tickets are \$15 before the walk at Bordine's, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Gateway, Harrisons, and Clarkston Independence District Library. On the day of the walk, tickets are \$18 at the booth on the library grounds.

Along with maintaining the downtown planters and the library grounds, the club routinely dispenses college scholarships, four just last week, and plant- and environmentbased program funding to students and teachers.

For more information, check www.clarkstongardenclub.org.

- Susan Sajdak



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## Celebrating red, white, and blue at July 4 parade

#### BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

July 4 downtown was All-American, with thousands of spectators clad in red, white, and blue lining the streets from St. Dan's to Renaissance High School for the annual Independence Day Parade.

The march featured 94 entries, kicked off at 10 a.m. by the American Legion Post 63 Honor Guard and World War II veterans Spencer Libby, David Daniels, Charlotte Charter, and Ruth Wood.

"It's about the same but with many newcomers who haven't been in the parade before," said Joette Kunse, parade committee member.

Float winners included Clarkston Chiefs football and cheerleaders in the Kids category; Neiman's Family Market's giant cow and decorated shopping carts in the Business category; and Calvery Lutheran Church in the Non-profit category.

"Crowd size estimate is usually given as about 10,000," Kunse said. "One of the Clarkston High School band members said it was really deep on the streets. I got to the downtown stage for about the last three entries, I saw them leave the parking lot and the last entry left at about 11:05 a.m."

Dale Verhey provided the stage, and parade committee member Dr. Bruce Mercado was guest announcer at the downtown stage for Dale Ryan, who is recovering from surgery.

"He did a great job," Kunse said.

Many groups, businesses, and individuals worked to make the parade successful, she said, including the Rev. Dan and Laura Neiwoit of Mt. Zion, who set up the 90 N. Main Stage for kids, Tom Middleton and Clarkston Optimists Club were



Neiman's Family Market's giant cow was decorated in red, white, and blue and won best business float in the parade.

out at 5 a.m. setting everything up, and Adam Smith did the cleanup after everyone left St. Daniel's Catholic Church.

Independence Township provided insurance and police support, and Bowman Chevrolet was the parade sponsor, she said.

"St. Dan's has always been generous with their parking lot. The fire department is also a big supporter of ours," she said. Air National Guard Capt. Brett DeVries flew his A-10 at-

tack fighter over the parade minutes after the second perfor-

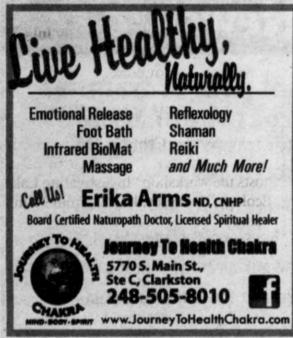
mance of the National Anthem.

Calvery Lutheran Church's float win best non-profit float. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price

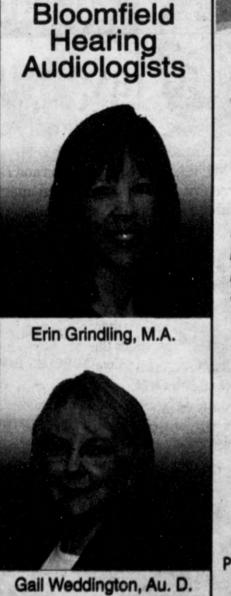
"I'm always excited to see the flyover and Selfridge Air National Guard always provides this. It's the Fourth of July for the pilots, but they always go up and do flyovers for us," Kunse said.

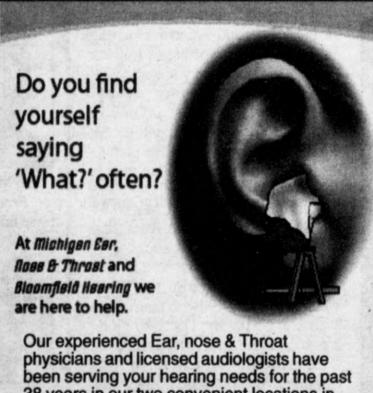
The parade committee comes together each January to start working on the celebration, she explained.

"And works the rest of the year to plan and think of ways to make the parade better," she said.









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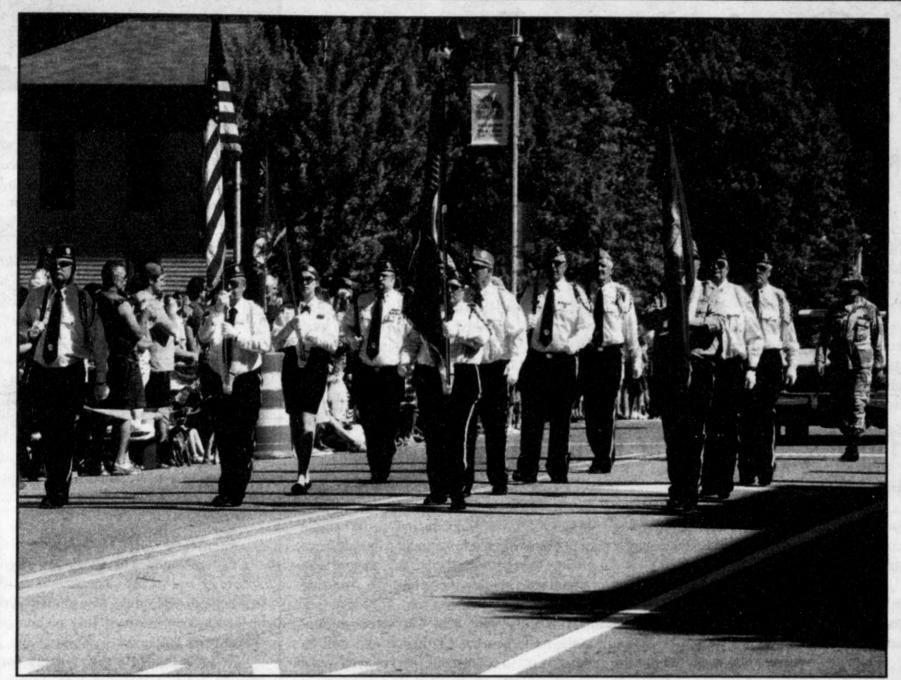
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ON THE MARCH: American Legion Post 63 Honor Guard and other veterans lead the Clarkston Fourth of July Parade. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

## Government groups pull for city in lawsuit

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

The Michigan Municipal League and Michigan Townships Association want to throw their two cents into a Freedom of Information lawsuit in Clarkston.

The non-profit corporations filed a motion for leave to file an amicus curiae brief in support of the City of the Village of Clarkston in its case against city resident Susan Bisio.

Bisio, represented by attorney Richard Bisio, her husband, sued the city in December 2015 for violating FOIA.

MML, MTA, and the city argue that "while FOIA requires disclosure of public records in the possession of a public body, it has been generally accepted that FOIA does not apply to an agent of a public body."

The lawsuit stems from a FOIA request Susan sent to the city on June 7, 2015, requesting invoices billed to the city by city attorney Thomas Ryan.

Bisio is appealing an October 2016 decision by Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Leo Bowman, which said certain records requested by Bisio were not public.

The contested records included emails

from Jan. 30, 2015, to May 20, 2015, between Ryan and other attorneys and agencies related to 148 N. Main Street and a hold-harmless agreement for its development, as well as vacant property at M-15 and Waldon.

The city responded in June 2015, producing over 700 pages of documents, but declining to provide 18 records, saying they were not public records according to state law.

In the Oct. 19 ruling, the judge agreed, ruling records requested by Bisio were not public "because there is no evidence to support the claim the city used or retained them in the performance of official functions, or that Ryan shared the contested records to assist the city in making a decision."

The city argues reversing the lower court's decision would expand FOIA "to many different types of agents of municipalities, including consultants, contractors, and any other person or entity who might be alleged to be an 'agent' of the municipality. Not only would this cause an extreme expansion of FOIA, it will exponentially increase costs and will have a chilling effect on entities that might otherwise do business on behalf of a municipality."

MML's motion was authorized by its Le-

gal Defense Fund's Board of Directors. They requested filing the brief by Aug. 7.

The Michigan Press Association and Detroit Free Press previously filed an amicus curiae brief in support of Susan Bisio's lawsuit

Their "friend of the court" brief asks to reverse the trial court's ruling, saying FOIA exemptions do not apply in this case, exemptions don't apply anyway because the city failed to assert or prove them in its answer to the complaint; and order the city to produce the contested records, as well as hold a hearing for fees and costs.

The appeals court is not expected to hear the case until next year.

Richard filed a separate lawsuit against the city on June 2, 2015, for violation of the Open Meetings Act at a closed City Council session on March 9, 2015, and with email discussions in November 2015.

In a consent judgement agreement filed on March 14, 2016, the city admitted the closed session was improper. A review by the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office found Clarkston City Council probably violated the Open Meetings Act in March 2015, but declined to file charges.

## Briefly

#### Seats for election

Filing deadline for partisan and nonpartical candidates, including Clarkston City Council, is 4 p.m., July 25.

Three council seats, currently held by Eric Haven, Jason Kneisc, and David Marsh, are up for a vote in the Nov. 7 election.

Check www.michigan.gov for nominating petition and affidavit of identity forms.

#### **Wheelchair Daze**

Oakland County Park and Recreation's Wheelchair Daze offers carnival games, barrier-free boat rides, music, dancing, cotton candy and BBQ lunch, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 5, at Independence Oaks County Park.

The event, presented by the Filippis Foundation, is for people of all ages with any form of disability and their immediate families.

"Wheelchair Daze is packed with summer fun," said Recreation Program Supervisor Sandy Dorey. "There are always lots of smiles on everyone's faces. One of the best parts is that the entire event is free, including park admission and parking."

Pre-registration is required by July 25 by calling 248-424- 7081 or emailing Adaptive@oakgov.com.

#### **Ecology Workshop**

Wint Nature Center in Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road, hosts the workshop "Investigating Lake Ecology," Saturday, July 22, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sponsored by Michigan State University Extension and Oakland County Parks and Recreation, the workshop will investigate lakes, common aquatic vegetation and their role in keeping lakes healthy, aquatic invasive species that threaten lakes, the effects of seasonal changes on lakes, as well as the physical, chemical and biological properties of the water. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the park's Crooked Lake via pontoon boat.

Leading the workshop will be Melissa Nawrocki and Kegan Schildberg, Oakland County Parks and Recreation; Dr. Lois Wolfson, Michigan State University; and Erick Elgin and Bindu Bhakta, Michigan State University Extension.

Register at events.anr.msu.edu/ lakeecology2017/. The cost is \$40/person on or before July 14 or \$50 after. Deadline to register is July 21. To check space availability, call 248-858-1639.

#### Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

#### Independence inspiration

Independence Fest in Clintonwood Park was an incredible feat of organization and volunteer enthusiasm, but I knew something would be missing this year.

This was the first Fourth of July festival missed by Bart Clark, who passed away suddenly last September.

I offered to have a plaque made to present to Bart's wife, Diane, in recognition of his service to the

t o w n s h i p's Independence Day celebration, as well as the community.

I used a photo I took of Bart at a previous Independence Fest, decked out in his dress

whites, and Barbara Rollin and I presented it to Diane at the ceremony.

It was the least I could do.

Bart and I both served on the volunteer committee in charge of organizing the veterans recognition ceremony and military memorabilia museum starting in 2011, when it was created.

At the time, I already knew Bart after writing for *The Clarkston News* for several years. He was always very active in the city and Independence Township.

But I was impressed at the Fourth of July events, seeing him in his dress white U.S. Navy uniform. He displayed some of the plaques he earned while commanding nuclear submarines during the Cold War. A longtime Tom Clancy fan, that was quite impressive to me.

He and the other vets wearing their old uniforms, which included a few from World War II at the time, was also impressive. In 2011, I was way too overweight to fit into my old uniforms. I would have them on display on my table, along with old photos and equipment. I could show people things I used to wear, and photos of what I used to look like.

So that and some other things got me to lose a bunch of weight, starting in 2013. I was still a bit too big to fit into them that year, but starting in 2014, I started wearing my old desert BDUs to Independence Fest.

Bart thought that was pretty cool.

After a couple years, Bart eventually mentioned the dress uniform he wore wasn't his original. He had a new set made at some point after he retired. That didn't matter.

The inspiration was already made.

# Opinion Pages Letters, columns & Editorials

#### Kudos to arts council, DPW for garden work

Many thousands of *The Clarkston News* closest friends and neighbors streame by our downtown home, and our from garden looked great thanks to the efforts of the Clarkston Cultural Arts Council and city DPW.

The artistically minded volunteers of the council already signed up to take care of the gardens across the street next to the Main and Washington street city parking lot, and decided to take on the 5 S. Main Street

landscaping as well.

With the help of the city DPW, which supplied the mulch as well as labor, they cleaned out a ton of weeds and put in place lots of colorful flowers and plants.

Thank you! And the Cultural Arts Council is far from finished. Coming up later this summer is the DIA art in the garden. Be sure to look out for that and everything else they do!

-PMC

#### Thanks to News for focus on youth projects

Dear Editor.

I would like to thank the Clarkston News staff for frequently printing stories regarding community involvement within the younger generations.

Each week, *The Clarkston News* has contributions from Gens Y and Z which promote helping each other, the community and the world at large.

I have enjoyed reading essays about the importance of reducing our use of plastic to protect our oceans, the creation of a website by a foster child to support other foster children (Children with a Chance – wixsite.com/childrenwithachance), and one very impassioned essay about bringing dogs in from the cold, just to highlight a few.

I have learned about different charities and items they need, like shoes for Clarkston SoleMates and backpacks for My Brother's Keeper in Flint. I also enjoyed reading about the Eagle Scout who refurbished bikes for the children at Cesar Chavez Academy in Detroit, middle schoolers who made stepping stones to raise money for charity and the four-year-old who organized a neighborhood cleanup. Amazing and inspiring!

I recently read that Clarkston student Aalayna Green has graduated and will be heading off to college this fall. Aalayna wrote an article last year about "Life as a Vegan in Clarkston" which included a recipe for vegan mac and cheese. I enjoyed the article and my family enjoyed the mac and cheese!

These next generations have the talent, compassion and desire to improve the world for all. As for the older generations, it certainly rekindles our enthusiasm to do the same.

Eileen Drenikowski Clarkston

#### Mayor calls for community involvement in city

Dear Editor,

The City of the Village of Clarkston operates best when we get a wide range of community involvement.

Currently, there are several committee, boards, and commissions that currently have and will have openings in the future. If you would like to participate at these levels and wish to be considered for a position, contact Jonathan Smith at the City Hall or myself at 248-343-0557.

Also, each year the city holds elections where council members and the mayor are elected. This year, three city council seats are up for election. I welcome all who wish to participate.

Steven C. Percival Clarkston Mayor

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#### A Look Back

From The CNews archives

#### 15 years ago - 2002

"Inspired by many, and many inspired by her" Teachers and students touched by Linda Denstaedt, a 34-year teacher and K-12 writing director in Clarkston Community Schools, shared their stories as Denstaedt headed into retirement.

"Churches form partnership to build Habitat home" St. Daniel Catholic Church and Clarkston Community Church formed a financial sponsorship with Daimler-Chrysler Corporation to build a home in Pontiac, spearheaded by Habitat for Humanity of North Oakland.

"Clarkston's Bergkoetter reminisces about U-M rowing" Brenton Bergkoetter, a 1998 Clarkston High School graduate, helped University of Michigan to a sixth place finish in the Intercollegiate Rowing Association race.

#### 25 years ago - 1992

"Flying high" The Clarkston High School JV and Varsity Cheerleaders were in synchronized flight as they participated in the annual Fourth of July parade in downtown Clarkston.

"Schools institute pay-to-play for grades 7-12" Clarkston Community Schools had good news and bad news. They found a way to save interscholastic sports for grades 7-9, but it would be through a pay-to-play program which the board approved 5-2.

"Crowd pleaser" The Independence Township Parks and Recreation float, which featured "Our Future Olympians" captured first place with the judges at the annual Clarkston Fourth of July parade. "Made in America" was the theme for the annual event which brought hundreds to town.

#### 50 years ago - 1967

"Village council adopts new ordinance" Two ordinances were adopted at the Clarkston Village Council meeting. One pertained to the regulation and control of selling model glue to minors. The second dealt with zoning changes within the city.

"Fourth of July parade" Emery Pierce, of Cramlane, was awarded first place for his "strange, wild" vehicle which roamed Main Street. The parade was sponsored by the Volunteer Fire Department.

"Golf tourney winners" The Jaycee Golf Tournament winners in each age category were Larry Parker, Jim Navarre and Lee Booker. The tournament was held at Pine Knob Country Club and had 37 boys participate. The winners moved on to the state tournament in Bridgeport.



## Don's irrational fear of monkeys renewed

For the past year or so I have been catching were adept at picking up tasks. glimpses of the movie opening this week, War For

The Planet of The Apes. (I think most folks call those glimpses "Previews," Don't but then again, I ain't most folks.) The Rush Me reboot of the Planet of the Apes franchise has really kinda bummed me out. By the way, it has nothing to do with the quality of the movies.

These new movies are good, and the special effects awesome. So, awesome are the visual effects, that my old fears of the "lower" primates taking over are renewed. I do not want A column by to see the new movie. I know, I know, Don Rush I know. "Don," you're saying, "Those

are some very irrational fears you're totin' around, buddy. They're just movie monkeys. They ain't real."

To you, dear readers, I say, I realize this, but these The Stars." anxieties over monkeys have been stewing between my ears for many, many years. By a show of hands, how many out there remember the original Planet of series in the 1970s)?

I have agonized over monkeys since before even then. Those fears always subside for a few years, but every so often something in the news comes along to aggravate my stress.

If you don't know the premise of the Apes movies, let me get you up to speed: monkeys, chimps, apes, gorillas, orangutans, etc., take over planet Earth.

On the big screen (not television), screenwriters wrote that a plague wiped out humans' favorite pets dogs and cats. So, humans took lower primates and made them pets . . . later slaves, for these critters

Still later in their evolution, a chimp named Caesar teaches monkeys of all standings how to speak the English language with a British accent. The apes overthrew the shackles of tyranny. Humans were made slaves. The rest, as they say, is history . . . Or our future, depending on where you're coming from.

As I stated, my fear of monkeys came a couple of years before the original *Planet of the Apes* flicks. It started with those evil, bluish-green, flying, screeching monkeys from the Wizard of Oz. After seeing Oz as a wee lad, I really never enjoyed the monkey exhibit at the Detroit Zoo. I was also scared of that story, The Monkey Paw, told to me by some adult before I reached the age of seven.

For me, monkeys are only cute when I am watching them on TV and even then, I'm apt to turn the channel, to something more educational like "Dancing With

No. I take it back. Monkeys are not cute. EVER. (Well, Curious George is okay.)

They were not cute in the Wizard of Oz. They were the Apes movies (and later a Friday night television not cute in my childhood dreams, when they popped out of the tiled floor to steal Mom and Dad. Monkeys are not my thing. I guess I really don't like them.

> Oh sure, I have empathy for them and wish them well. I'm not gonna' go out and harm any lower primates, nor do I wish them any harm. It's gotta suck to be a monkey, I mean, who wants to sit around picking the lice off your pal and eating it/them? I wish them luck, but I don't need to see them evolving any more.

Back in the mid, 1990s (before Fake news) I remember reading with great interest the story of the apple-stealing monkeys of Japan.

According to the news reports of the time, these DontRushDon@gmail.com

monkeys raided Japanese apple orchards, and this made some orchard owners unhappy. This same bunch of renegade primates started their pilfering ways by stealing vegetables like carrots and potatoes and then worked their way up to sweet, crisp apples — so it is really nothing new to the Japanese. I guess they never saw the Planet of the Apes.

What caught my eye, and started my mind down a dark and depressing rabbit hole to Gorillaville, was a typed line of print that said: "Gangs of monkeys, some toting plastic shopping bags, are picking prized apples from orchards in Tokyo suburbs . . .

I didn't read that in some supermarket tabloid, next to an article about Batboy visiting the White House. No, the article I read was in the "A" section of the smackin' frackin Detroit Free Press.

"Gangs" of monkeys were picking prized apples (not the yucky ones) and putting them in man-made plastic bags. They are working together in gangs. Who taught them that? And, what are they doing now? What have those danged little, furry-faced critters learned in the decades since I first saw that article?

It's just a matter of time.

Don't you see, it's happening.

The end of mankind, the birth of monkeykind. Unless we do something now, we're doomed to live in Planet of the Apes.

Okay, okay. I freaked myself out there a little. I'll be okay, I promise. (Yes, I will go see the movie, too. Oh, my dreams will get even weirder, I know it.)

Comments for the man with the irrational fear of lower primates can be e-mailed to:

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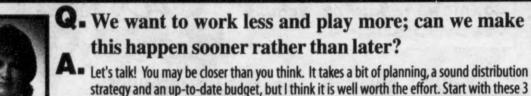
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# Public Safety For Clarkston and Independence Township

#### Suspicious salesman

An Independence Township resident called police to report a suspicious man knocking on the door, 7:14 p.m., June 27. Deputies found a 27-year-old Colorado man who said he was trying to generate business for his pest control business. He had a solicitation permit for Rochester Hills but not Independence. He was cited for soliciting without a permit and escorted out of the neighborhood.

#### Marijuana seized

A deputy on patrol stopped a vehicle with a burned out headlight, 11:58 p.m., July 6, on Clintonville Road at Maybee Road. The driver, a 27-year-old Independence Township man, said there was a little marijuana in the vehicle, and gave permission to search. The marijuana was found in the center console. He was cited with driving with a suspended license and the headlight. The marijuana was confiscated, and the vehicle was turned over to its owner, a 48-year-old Independence Township woman.

#### Heroin user

Witnesses called deputies to report a man using heroin in a parking lot in the 5000 block of Sashabaw Road, 11 p.m., June 30. The man, a 32-year-old Milford resident, was found with four hypodermic needles on the ground next to him, and his forearms were bruised with track marks, common with heroin use. He admitted to using heroin and said he was there waiting for a ride from a friend. He was cited for possession of narcotics paraphernalia and released, and the needles were confiscated and destroyed.

#### Improper plate

A 25-year-old Waterford man was stopped for having a loud muffler on his pickup, 6:59 a.m., July 6, on Dixie Highway at Maybee Road. The license plate was registered to a different vehicle. The driver said he just bought it and hadn't registered it yet. He was cited for driving a vehicle with an improper plate, no insurance, and defective exhaust system. The truck was impounded.



Parade goers check on a vehicle in the Clarkston Fourth of July Parade after it struck a trailer in front of it. Photo posted by Daniel Rineer

## Car crash at Fourth parade

Folks watching the Clarkston Fourth of July Parade got a scare when an entrant, a '57 Chevy, accidentally crashed into a trailer in front, at the corner of Buffalo and Church.

"Luckily the people in between the float and car jumped out of the way and no one was injured," posted witness Daniel Rineer on Facebook. "If the float hadn't have stopped it, the car would've gone right into the crowd."

The driver told deputies his accelerator stuck open, which caused the vehicle to suddenly lurch forward into the trailer in front of his, said Lt. Larry Perry, Oakland County

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Sheriff's Independence Township substation commander.

The driver was found at fault but wasn't issued a citation, Perry said.

Parade entrants are required to carry insurance on their vehicles, and the parade also has insurance, said Joette Kunse, parade committee member.

"We ask that each vehicle certify that they have insurance," Kunse said. "We have an emergency plan of where support is located. We had asked people to give plenty of room between entries."

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# Sporting News

#### **Battle at the Big House**

Tickets for the gridiron heroes season opener at University of Michigan on August 25 are available at www.clarkstonfootball.com

## Netting the future at camp

BY WENDIREARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Spikers smiled as they continued working on their skills during the last day of Clarkston Volleyball Camp, held June 26-30.

"I say this year every year but the talent level is just getting better and better," said Clarkston Varsity Volleyball Kelly Pinner about the campers in the two camp sessions held for grades 9-12 in the early morning and grades 5-8 in the late morning.

"The kids are becoming more prepared that's a good thing," she added. "In terms of my planning I am always adjusting and making sure we are meeting their needs. The last day is fun because we do a lot of competitions. They enjoy it."

Clarkston Volleyball Camp had over 150 players who worked on improving their skills and learning techniques.

Players were from Clarkston, Lake Orion and surrounding areas.

Pinner explained there were more fifth graders, the youngest group, than previous years and were very energetic and passionate.

"They love working with the coaches," she said. "They've gotten so much better. They are sponges - they soak it all in. They are trying everything and do what we ask them to do."

Campers learned from Pinner, the coaching staff for the Clarkston program, and previous varsity players including those who play on the collegiate level.

Pinner said. "We had three girls from Oakland University working with them. It was nice to have some higher level volleyball players. We also had a coupl other college players from different areas work with them this week."

She added the camp helps players going into grades 9-12 for the upcoming fall season.

"It's our first chance to really work together," Pinner said. "We have had some open gyms in the spring, but some of those kids are doing other things. It gives us an opportunity to start working together a little bit and seeing where our strengths and weaknesses are so we can start working on it come August.

She added it also helps the players see where they stand.

"It fosters some competitiveness within them which is always good," she explained. "If you know someone is vying for your spot, they can see it here in camp. Hopefully it makes them work harder in the next couple of months."

Receiving this year's camp awards in the two sessions were Alana Watlington and Lauryn Sajan for Best Camper; Sam Wycoff and Brooke Cicero for Most Spirited; and Sydney Hasenfatz and Adalynn Phonsana for Most Improved.

Clarkston Volleyball Camp is hosted by Clarkston Community Education and Independence Township Parks, Recreation and Seniors. For more information or to check out activities offered, please visit www.itpr.org.



Clarkston Varsity Volleyball Head Coach Kelly Pinner explains the next exercise to the campers on June 30. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Clarkston Boys Varsity Lacrosse team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

## Finish in top 8

#### BY WENDIREARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves finished the season with many accolades including the MHSAA Boys Lacrosse Division 1 Region 5 title with wins over OAA Red League foes Bloomfield Hills and Lake Orion.

The journey to the state championship was stopped by Hartland with a 20-11 loss for Clarkston in the quarterfinals.

"They played hard," head coach Brian Kaminskas said about the Wolves. "They fought well."

The boys finished the season with an overall 12-8 record and third in the OAA Red.

"It was good," Kaminskas said about the season. "There were a lot of questions and in some cases quite a few doubts from people who were unfamiliar with us or what we do and how we do things. From a coach's standpoint, we performed as we expected. It's important to us to always be in that final regional game or better - we were."

He added the ending will help the

returners for next spring.

"Disappointment is always a driver," he said. "When you get rolling and start winning games you want to keep it going. You start thinking about the what ifs. The returners have always been shielded by the other guys before them, and to suddenly play in some of that pressure they didn't have before because the other guys carried that burden."

Sheldon Bourdeau, Quinn Dobrzelewski, Jake Hodges and Dakota Locher ended the season with All-State honors.

Players receiving All-Region honors were Daniel Milano, Duncan Misiak, Jordon Sommerville and Keelan McKouen. Aidan Nolan, Keagan King and Eric Czimadia earned OAA Red honors. Matt Williamson received Ultimate Team First and Mark VanBuskirk received Unsung Hero honors from the team.

The 2017 team was freshman Jeff Barnett; sophomores Matthew Atchison, Will Burtnett, Eric Czimadia, Keagan King,

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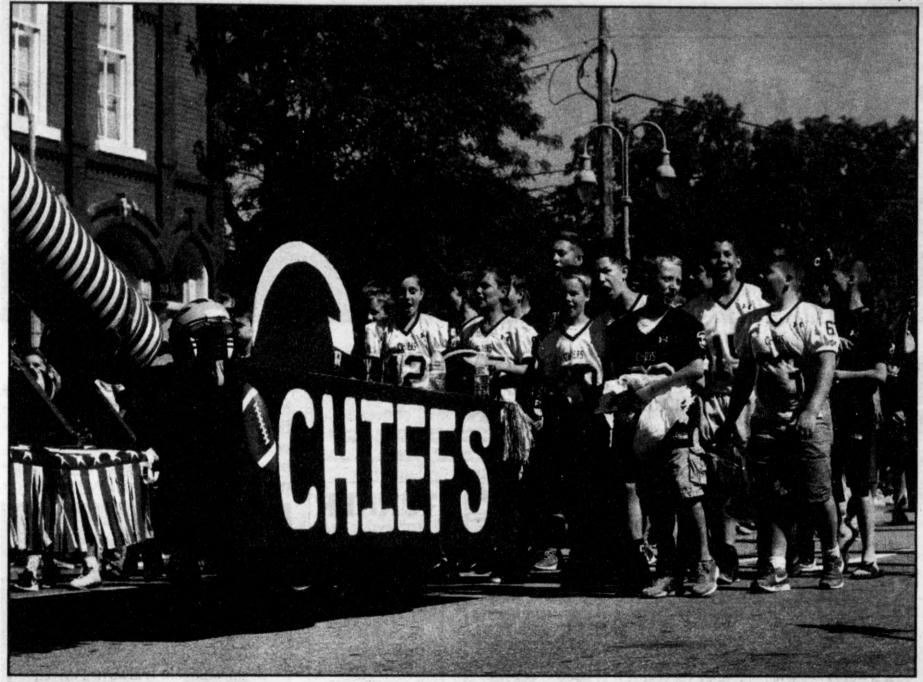
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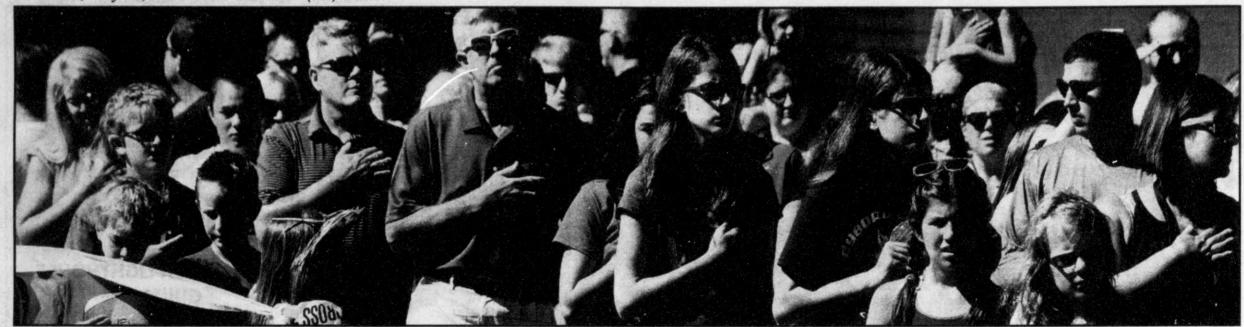
## Wins on the field and Fourth parade

Filled with team and patriotic spirit, the football players and cheerleaders from Clarkston Chiefs wave to everyone on the Fourth of July parade route while passing out candy. The Clarkston Chiefs' float won first place in the Kids Category. Find out more about the program on www.clarkstonchiefs.org. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price



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Spectators at the annual Fourth of July in downtown Clarkston stand at attention as (below) Riley Rumbold, a recent Clarkston High School graduate, proudly sings the "Star Spangled Banner." Photos by Wendi Reardon Price





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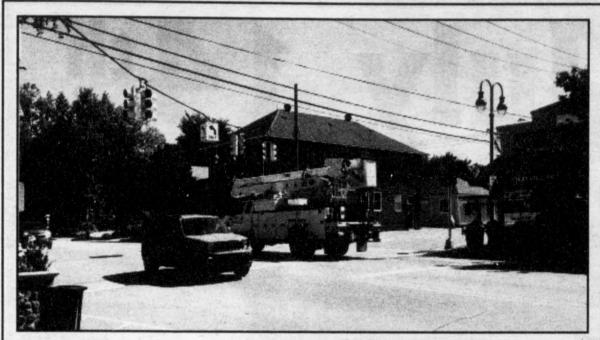
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Thousands of people from all over came to the annual parade including Caden Nelson, of Oxford, who shows his patriotic spirit with star shaped sunglasses as the parade ends.



NO POWER: Drivers and business patrons had to deal with a lack of traffic signals and electricity in downtown Clarkston, July 7. DTE reported 1,598 customers affected in Clarkston and Independence Township, between I-75 and Dixie Highway from about 4:19 a.m. until noon, as well as 615 customers along White Lake Road south of Dixie. The outages were caused by wind storm damage, DTE said. Photo by Phil Custodio

## Picnic kickoff for SCAMP

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deputies their motorcycles for the kids to check out, Baker said.

"We have a lot of community help," she said. "The Clarkston State Bank Half Marathon donated medals for the kids - so many people in the community step up for this.'

SCAMP includes activities in the park as well as throughout the community.

"It's a great experience for the kids and a respite for the parents," Baker said. "The parents know their kids are well taken care of so they get a breather, which is huge for them as well."

Volunteers come back year after year, Baker said.

"Some start as teenagers, then they become student aides, then adult aides, then special education teachers," she said. "There

## Wolfpack winners

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Jake Line, Keelan McKouen, Danny Milano, Jake Reynolds, Casper Schichtle, Drew Vandenberg; juniors Connor Donnelly, Chris Giekere, Joel LaBruzzy, Dakota Locher, Duncan Misiak, Jaydon Septer, Jordon Sommerville, Mark Van Buskirk, David Zurek; seniors - Nick Atchison, Ryan Bennett, Sheldon Bourdeau, Quinn Dobrzelewski, Jake Hodges, Aidan Nolan, Matthew Williamson, and Max Wycoff.

The team graduated nine seniors and Kaminskas added they left a legacy behind.

"They won a regional championship which we hadn't done in four years," he said. "They paved the way for these guys to see the success and always take it a step forward. It was nice to see the guys do that for this group and leave it behind."

are volunteer opportunities with everything we do. It's such a wonderful thing."

One of her goals as executive director is to increase youth involvement, she said.

"I'd like to recruit the younger generation, to let them see the value of giving back to the community," she said. "Someone needs to pick up the ball and carry on."

Fundraisers, including Walk and Roll in the spring, Home Tour in June, and the upcoming SCAMP Golf Classic on Sept. 8, ensure families who can't afford the camp can send their kids who need it.

For more information, email Baker at acbaker@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

#### Crossword Solution

#### July 5th Puzzle Answers

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## Local summer sports camps

have won championships during sports camps held by Clarkston Community Education.

Fife Basketball Camp, July 17-20, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., is open to boys entering grades 7-9 in the fall. The camp is coached by Dan Fife and his Clarkston High School Basketball staff. It is open to the first 104 applicants and costs \$260. For more information on either camp, please call Coach Fife, 248-625-9749.

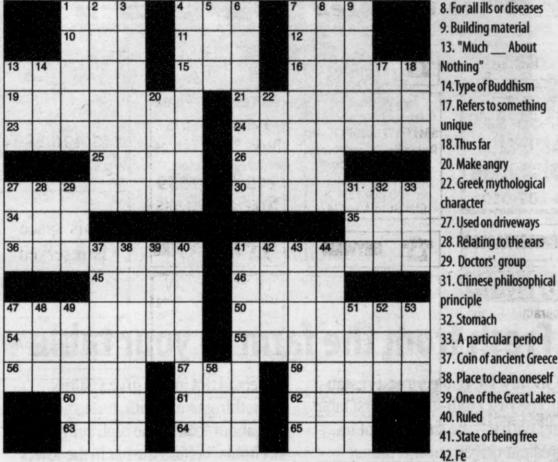
Clarkston Wolves Football Camp, July 24-27 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., is open for boys going into grades 6-9. Led by Clarkston Varsity Foot-

Learn from players and coaching staffs who ball Head Coach Kurt Richardson and varsity football coaches, the camp focuses on developing players' football skills and knowledge for the game.

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11. News organization 12. Paddle 13. Agent in alchemy

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30. Boat race 34. Cash machine 35. Linguistic theory (abbr.)

36. Highway material 41. Gracefully slender 45. Not often found

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2. Type of sword 3. A way to acquire 4. Peddled more

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58. Swiss river Answer's To This

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For owners Sarah and James Schneider, The FED is the culmination of a lifelong love for entertaining and creating welcome spaces for friends and family-their own dining room being the biggest inspiration. The restaurant, like a get-together with more friends than furniture, is a mix and match of different table settings, chairs, silverware and decor. But here, each piece has been

collected not just to give visitors something to eat with, but to see and to talk about. Under the high ceilings and skylights, behind the bar in the lower level, or inside one of the two remaining bank vaults, a big part of eating at The FED is cozying up in its west coast inspired, Aspen-chic nooks. Then there's the food.

At The FED, ingredients are number one. Freshness and locality are given top priority, with dishes prepared based on what's best that day. It's nothing overly complicated or fancy, the beauty's in the selection and the interpretation. For Justin Dalenberg, the restaurant's operating manager who designed the menu with the Schneiders, FED's cuisine can best be describe as

globally inspired –a taste the group has developed over decades of travel. Asian chicken feels just at home here next to a double-double cheeseburger as it does next to tortilla soup because in the atmosphere The FED creates, things you wouldn't expect to go together, do. Different styles are the style, what makes it work is a good foundation. Freshness.

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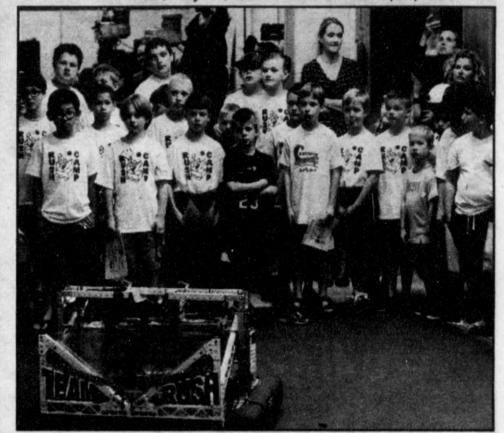
Audrey Dekoninck helps campers as they check their robot before the first round of competition begins on the last day of camp.



The Wolf Clan finishes putting the program into their robot.



Campers in the experienced sessions check their programming.



Campers watch Team RUSH 27's 2017 robot in action while learning what the team and robot had to do during the season.

## **Summer fun with robots**

Campers were in deep focus as the seconds counted down. They watched robots they built go through actions they programmed them to do, like spin a fidget spinner, shoot a ball into a goal, or rotate a gate, June 29.

Kids ages 8 to 14-years-old had a four day taste of what they could do during the FIRST LEGO League as they learned about NXT robotics including programming and sensors during the camp.

They built their robots and then programmed the robots to do specific tasks while earning points for their team within two minutes and 30 seconds.

The teams had two rounds to

score points and the winning score was the best of the rounds.

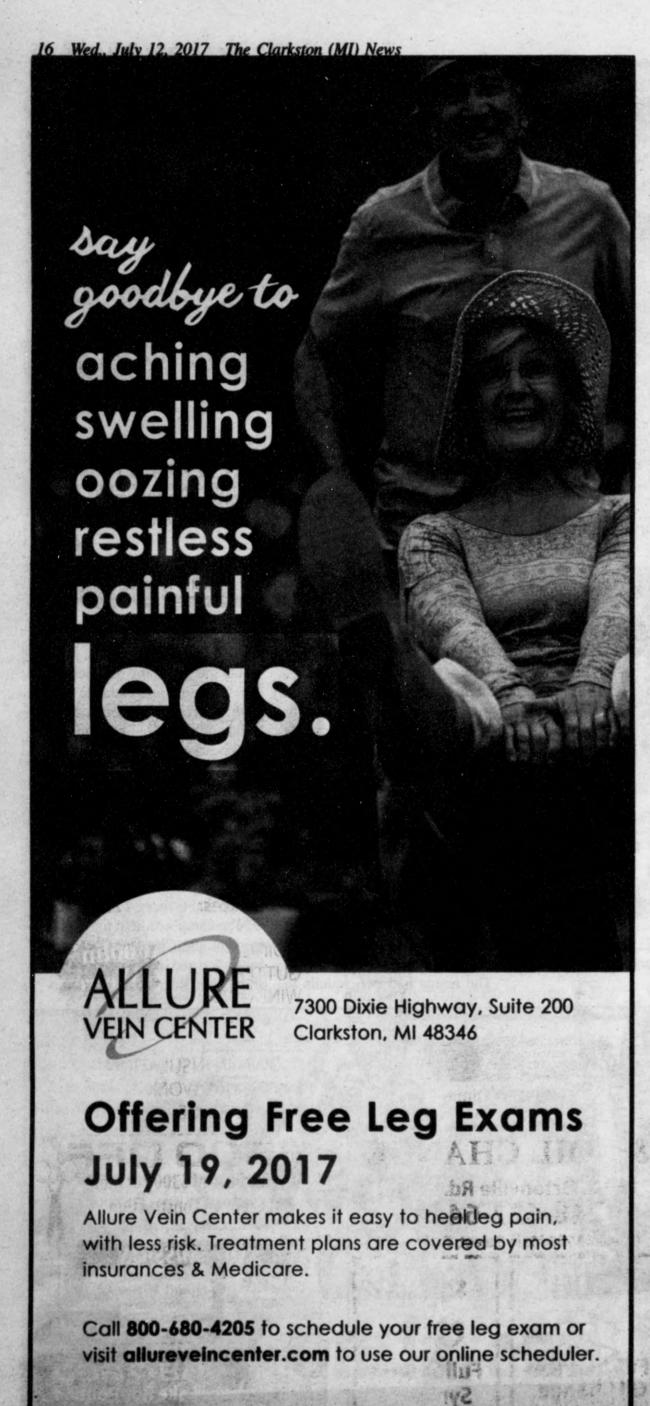
For the beginning robotics camp The Cheez-itz and Galactic Sheep both scored 70 points. Magic Mindstorms best of two rounds was 50 points and Wolf Clan's best score was 45 points.

Free Shavacado scored a big 140 points in the experienced robotocs camp session to top the six teams. Robotics Raptos and Money Makers both scored 75 points; Coding Otters, 50 points; Char Alli Gab, 35 points; and Cyborgs, 25 points.

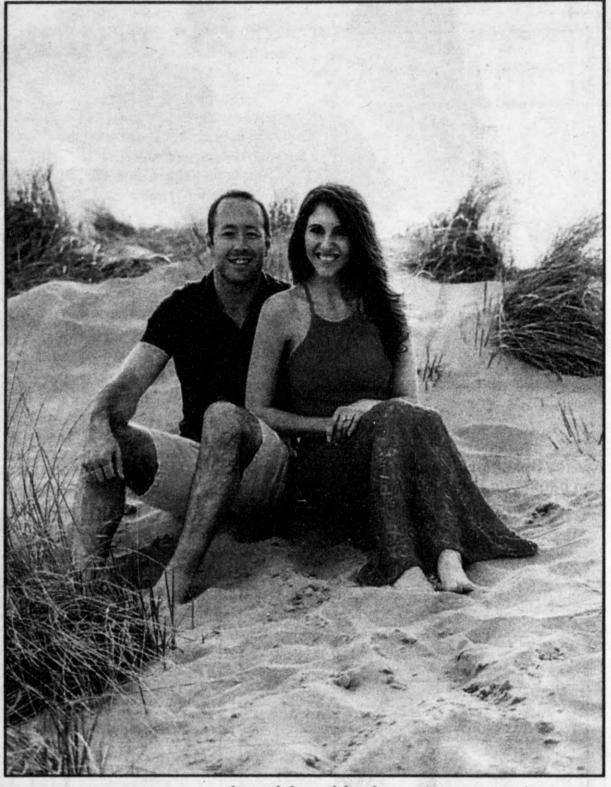
The camp was held for two sessions through Clarkston Community Education and Independence Township Parks, Recreation and Seniors.



Wolves Up for RUSH Robotics Camp. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price



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Jeremiah and Leah

## Schmidt - Schutt

It is with great pleasure Gerry and Gina Schmidt of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter, Leah Marie, to Jeremiah Thomas, son of Kevin and Betty Schutt of Fremont, Mich.

Ms. Schmidt graduated from Central Michigan University with a BS in Communication Disorders and a Masters degree in Speech-Language Pathology. She is employed as a Speech-Language Pathologist in neuro-rehabilitation.

Mr. Schutt graduated from Hope College with a BA in Business Management. He is employed as an Account Executive in Fleet Management. A September wedding is planned in Grand Rapids.

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An enormous American flag hoisted by Independence Township firefighters greets everyone to the Fourth of July parade in downtown Clarkston. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

## Students achieve success

The recipient of our Clarkston Community Women's Club \$1,500 scholarship is Sarah Snyder, a member of the National Honor Society and school band.

She is the Cross Country Captain for her senior year and received the Leadership Award in Track during her junior year. She also received: Math Award in 2015 from the Clarkston Foundation, Science Award in 2016, Michigan Prize Competition Finalist for 2015, and was a Michigan

Snyder

Youth Arts Performer in 2015. She has a 4.22 GPA and has been admitted to the University of Michigan College of Engineering freshman class entering Fall 2017.

Paige Morrison and Peter Dondanville, of Clarkston, made the Dean's List for the spring 2017 semester at the University of Dayton in Ohio.

Delaney Brown, Phoebe Morris and Ian Stuart of Clarkston were named to the Dean's List at Miami University.

Caitlyn Calhoun, Haley Daugherty, Alec Genter, Kendall Kamp, and Emma Tomaszewski, of Clarkston were named to the Dean's List for the Winter 2017 semester at Alma College.

Tomaszewski also received an Alma Venture in Spring 2017 for Cusco, Peru.

Olivia Lohmeier of Clarkston was recently awarded the Excellence in a Discipline award for Occupational Safety and Health Management from Grand Valley State University.

She is the daughter of Beth and David Lohmeier and a graduate of Clarkston High School.

distinction of Faculty Honors for Spring 2017

designation is awarded to undergraduate students who have a 4.0 academic average for the semester.

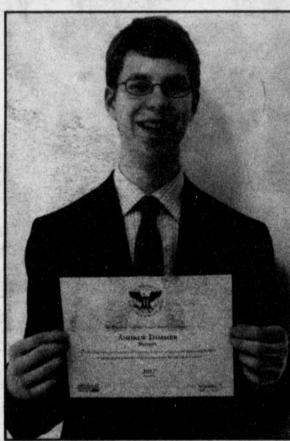
Courtney M. Hundzinski of Clarkston has been named to the President's List at Clemson University for the spring 2017 semester. Hundzinski is majoring in Microbiology.

To be named to the President's List, a student must achieve a 4.0 (all As) grade-point average.

Andrew Dimmer was recognized for receiving the Bronze Level President's Volunteer Service Award this year.

The national award honors citizens for their volunteer service.

Dimmer spent more than 130 hours volunteering around the school and in his community, through organizations including National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, Business Professionals of America, Optimist Club, and Teen LEAD Program at the Clarkston Independence District Library.









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## Youth mystery

Help Clarkston Village Players' Youth Theatre crack the case in Tim Kelly's "Murder at Crooked House," July 21-22 at 7:30 p.m.; July 23 at 2 p.m.; and July 27-29 at 7:30 p.m.

In this spoofy, musical murder whodunit, Hercules Porridge just might solve the mystery. Or he might not. Overcoming his ineptness, he tries to investigate the goings on at Crooked House, a delapidated boarding house with a funny farm of tenants.

Adding murder to the mystery, the campy musical is full of eccentric characters, including mystery writer Anguish Crispie, a curious young man in safari attire, a strange actress, a crackpot colonel, and a directionally-challenged butler.

"This cast is amazing - so proud of all their hard work, and a huge thank you goes out for all the hard work and creative genius of our incredible director and choreographer Carmen Padilla and assistant director Sean Mueller," said Emily J. Dowd, Clarkston Village Players.

Tickets are \$10. Reserve your tickets at 248-425-5842 or cvpyouth theatre@hotmail.com.



From left, front row to back row, Sloan Lamb, laying down, Taylor Salter, Francesca Catella, Sydney Hinds, lan Boyd, Emily Howe, and Cady Stalvey, sitting on fireplace, Ellise Dowd, Aryn Hillman, sitting on couch, Shayla Lindquist, Haley Philips, Bryan Donoghue, and Alaina Norrito. Standing from left, Liesl Netherland, Kennedy Smith, Ethan Dowd, Kelsey Phillips, Charles Dunn, Adrianna Daigle, Sophia Catella, and Reilly Kerrigan. Photo provided by Emily J. Dowd



# Township I imes

## To Hunt or Not to Hunt?

By Pat Kittle, **Township Supervisor** 

The Township Board voted unanimously on October 4, 2016, to create a special citizen committee to review the hunting ordinances and boundaries in the Township that had not been updated since 1982. The problem with



**Township** Supervisor **Pat Kittle** 

the current 35-year-old hunting ordinance is that entire neighborhoods and schools have sprung up right in the middle of those ol' happy hunting grounds. Based on the way the ordinance is currently written, you could hunt with a gun right in the middle of the high school football field or where several big neighborhoods are currently located. Doesn't seem to make a lot of sense.

Not being a hunter, we decided to run an article in the November 2016 issue of the Township Times asking for

volunteers to review the current hunting ordinances and put a hunting plan together based on today's population density. A committee of 8 people was formed; 3 residents from the Northern portion of the Township, 2 from the Southern portion of the Township, and 3 appointed members (2 Trustees and 1 Sheriff Lieutenant). Not surprisingly, the committee was mostly made up of avid hunters and sportsmen. Non-voting delegates from Oakland County Parks and gun safety experts from the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club were also present. The meetings were facilitated by the Township Planning & Zoning Administrator. Three public meetings were March 9, March 30th and April 20, 2017 at which the committee members studied an extensive amount of information, discussed the issues, debated ideas, and worked toward a goal of making recommendations to the MDNR and Township Board about whether and how the existing hunting areas and ordinances should be updated. Time was allotted for any resident to address the committee to share their thoughts and information. (To be honest with you, we thought we were going to get bombarded in the committee meetings with folks voicing their opinions, but attendance was very light.)

After a couple months of work, the citizens committee came up with a new draft boundary map and plan for hunting that is mostly based on current Township density. That draft plan basically includes the following elements: ■ It provides for bow hunting in the entire Township, as long as State laws and guidelines are followed;

■ It provides for firearm hunting in restricted areas, as

long as State laws and guidelines are followed;

■ It does not allow any hunting with center-fire rifles or handguns; and

■ In areas where hunting is permitted, the draft plan would not prevent private property owners from adopting

and enforcing more restrictive rules for hunting on their property.

So what are the next steps? The Township Planning & Zoning Administrator will present the committee's recommendations to the Board of Trustees scheduled for September 5 at 7 pm at Townhall. In this meeting the Township Board will listen to the proposed plan, as well as take input from residents who would like to see modifications to the



plan who for whatever reason did not make the committee meetings. NO DECISION WILL BE MADE ATTHIS BOARD MEETING TO APPROVE OR DENY THE PROPOSED PLAN. The Township Trustees will decide in a subsequent Board meeting if the proposed hunting ordinance should be forwarded to the Michigan DNR for its review and consideration.

The revised hunting boundary maps and existing ordinances can be found on the Township website home page under the link HUNTING. With any change of this magnitude, there are some residents who will be pleased that there will be no more gunshot blasts from a neighbor hunting, while others may feel their right to hunt is being taken away. It is recommended to anyone who would like to ask the Board to consider a change to what is being proposed, to include a petition from the surrounding neighbors in your area who agree with the changes you would like to see considered. For a parcel of land, the neighbors bordering your lot should sign off on your petition. For a lake, the majority of households living on the lake you would like to see changed.

**BOTTOM LINE:** The Township is not trying to take anyone's right to own a gun away from them. This ordinance has nothing to do with owning, possessing or carrying a firearm. What the Township is trying to do is review and possibly update an old ordinance that is based on circumstances and conditions that existed in our community 35 years ago. Will keep you posted on future meeting dates regarding this matter.

## Get involved!

Part 2

By Barbara A. Pallotta, **Township Clerk** 

Part 2 includes summaries of the roles and responsibilities of the Township's boards,

commissions and committees. Remember applications to apply are available on the Township's website at www.indtwp.com and in the Clerk's Office.

Boards, Committees, And Commissions Designated By Statute And/Or Local Ordinance

Several of the Township's boards and commissions are designated through State of Michigan statutes or by Township ordinance for specific



**Township Clerk Barb Pallotta** 

purposes and/or for having administrative decisionmaking powers. One distinction separating some of these boards or commissions from advisory boards/ committees is that members may receive payment for serving, such as the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). Boards and commissions established to state statute or Township ordinance are usually appealable to designated courts of law.

#### **Board of Review (BOR)**

Established: General Property Tax Act; Act 206 of 1983

Township Liaison: Director of Assessing; (248) 625-8114

The General Property Tax Act requires that real property be assessed annually by a certified assessor. The Tax Act also establishes a Board of Review consisting of local citizens who evaluate resident appeals regarding assessed property values annually and adjusts Township Assessor's values, if needed.

The BOR consists of 3 residents and 1 alternate member appointed by the Township Board of Trustees.

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## Be involved! Become a board, commission or committee member

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BOR members serve 2-year terms starting at noon on January 1st of each odd-numbered year. Members must be residents of the Township for a minimum of 30-days, be a Township property owner and a taxpayer. Qualified members must also be at least 18 years old and a U.S. citizen. Members cannot be an Assessor's relative. There are no statutory requirements regarding skills, training or experience that members must meet.

The Board of Review meets 3 times per year at Township Hall:

March: Review Valuation Appeals and Hardship Exemption Applications;

July: Review Hardship Exemptions Applications, Principal Residence Exemptions not filed on time, Disabled Veterans Exemptions, and qualified Assessor Corrections; and

December: Review Hardship Exemptions Applications, Principal Residence Exemptions not filed on time, Disabled Veterans Exemptions, and qualified Assessor Corrections.

Any BOR decision may be appealed to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

#### Clarkston Independence District Library Board (CIDL)

Established: August 1, 2012; District Library Agreement

District Library Establishment Act 1989 PA 24 [MCL 397.171]

**Township Liaison:** Township Supervisor; (248) 625-5111

On August 1, 2012 the Charter Township of Independence and City of the Village of Clarkston entered into a District Library Agreement to establish the Clarkston Independence District Library. On August 5, 2014, an amount not to exceed 1.25 mills (\$1.25 on each \$1,000 of taxable value), was levied by the voters of the Township and the City of the Village of Clarkston for a period of 8 years (2014-2021) to fund the CIDL for all purposes as allowed by law.

CIDL has a 7 member Board comprised of 5 members appointed by the Independence Township Board of Trustees and 2 members appointed by Clarkston's City Council. After the initial term, each CIDL Board member serves 3-year terms expiring on December 31st of the applicable year.

CIDL meets once a month at the Clarkston Independence District Library: 6495 Clarkston Road - Clarkston, Michigan 48346

#### **Construction Code Board of Appeals**

Established: April 7, 1981; [Stille-Derossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act 230 of 1972]

**Township Liaison:** Building Official; (248) 625-8111

The Construction Code Board of Appeals (Board) hears appeals for refusals by the Building Department to issue permits or appeals from any other decisions relating to building and/or construction. This Board may also grant a variance\* from the specific terms of the State's Construction Code if a literal application resulted in an exceptional, practical difficulty to the applicant and only if a hearing before the Board is requested in writing and submitted on a form provided by the Building Department.

(\* A variance is the process by which an applicant can request deviation from the set of rules established in the State's Construction Code based on a hardship.)

The Construction Code Board of Appeals consists of 5 members for 2-year terms appointed by the Township Supervisor and confirmed by the Township Board. The Act requires that a member be qualified by experience or training to perform the duties of this Board. More specifically, members must have experience in construction and a working knowledge of the State Construction Code. One member shall serve as chairperson, who shall preside over meetings and hearings. Another member shall serve as secretary to take minutes of the proceedings of the Board as a public record of all determinations.

The Construction Code Board of Appeals meets as needed.

#### Lake Improvement Boards

Established: Part 309, Inland Lake Improvements, of the Natural Resources & Environmental Protection Act, PA 451 of 1994, as amended [MCL 324.30901 - 324.30929]

Lake Boards are established to implement improvement projects for individual inland lakes located within the Township.

Lake Board Members are:

- 1. A member of the County Board of Commissioners appointed by the chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of each county in which the lake is located.
- 2. A representative of each local unit of government in which the lake is located.
- 3. The Drain Commissioner or a member of the county road commission in counties not having a Drain Commissioner.
- 4. A representative of the Department of Environmental Quality.
- 5. A property owner, appointed by the Township Board, who owns land abutting the lake.

The Township Board directs the Lake Board to do the following:

• Institute proceedings to bring about the desired lake improvement.

· Determine the scope of the project.

• Establish a special assessment district, including all parcels of land and local units, which will be benefited by the improvement of the lake.

Independence Township has the following Lake Boards in effect:

■ Clarkston Mill Pond Improvement Board; Upper & Lower

Township Liaison: Rachel J. Loughrin, Trustee; (248) 752-6520

■ Oakland Lake Improvement Board Township Liaison: Andrea K. Schroeder, Trustee; (248) 391-2631

■ Van Norman Lake Improvement Board Township Liaison: Ronald A. Ritchie, Trustee; (248) 821-7100

■ Walters Lake Improvement Board Township Liaison: Paul A. Brown, Treasurer; (248) 625-5115

■ Wau-Me-Gah Lake Improvement Board

Township Liaison: Jose Aliaga, Trustee; (248) 736-7163

#### **Planning Commission**

Established: Michigan Planning Enabling Act [Act 33 of 2008]

Planning Commission By-laws: Adopted May 23, 2013

Township Liaison: Building Official; (248) 625-8111

The purpose the Planning Commission is to guide land use and development through review and implementation of the Master Plan, review of proposed site plans, review and proposal of changes in the Zoning and Land Use Ordinances, including zoning changes, review of special land use permit applications, and other powers as outlined in state and local law. The Planning Commission makes every effort, within its power, to assure the orderly development and growth of the Township in a manner that is consistent with and does not jeopardize the special character of the community.

The Planning Commission consists of 7 members appointed by the Township Supervisor with the approval of a majority of the Township Board. A Township Board representative is appointed as an ex-officio member and is 1 of the 7 appointees. To be qualified and remain a member of the Planning Commission, the individual must be a qualified voter of Independence Township.

Regular meetings of the Planning Commission are scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month in the Township Hall Meeting Room. The 4th Thursday of each month is reserved for additional meetings on an as needed basis.

## You gotta' know when to fold 'em

By Pat Kittle, **Township Supervisor** 

We've all heard the lyrics to the Kenny Rogers song, "The Gambler." "You gotta know when to hold 'em. Know when to fold 'em. Know when to walk away. Know when to run."

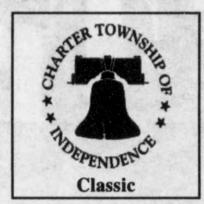
Well, the idea of changing the Township liberty bell

logo to a community tree with the theme line of "Community Roots. Family Trees" did not go over so well. Of the 25 or so responses, only one resident liked the new treatment. So as the song says, I am officially going to fold my hand and run away from this idea.



The idea of changing the Township logo brought out some pointed remarks:

- Are you nuts? I've lived here over 60 years. Don't change a thing! Keep the bell!
- Why don't you spend more time figuring out how to fix the roads?
- We live in Independence. Not Sherwood Forest. Keep the bell!
- No one will understand the "Community Roots Family Trees" theme.
- The INDEPENDENCE name and the classic LIBERTY BELL are historic references to our township and our country. Are you going to try to change the American flag next?





However opinions of the classic bell logo vs the more updated version were mixed:

- I like the updated bell the best.
- I love the classic look of the bell.
- The script in the update version was a little difficult to read. Move the bell over.

One theme that was consistent across the board was not wasting a lot of time or spending a ton of money on this idea. There was one letter that suggested we keep the Liberty Bell logo but drop the name Independence. The writer stated everyone knows this community as Clarkston, so why not change our name to Clarkston Township. Interesting idea. I gotta believe a really expensive one. But interesting enough anyway. Not sure I want to tackle this one right now.

**Bottom line.** Thank goodness we didn't spend any money on this. Based on this very unscientific survey, the bell will stay. The classic version squeaked out the updated version by a few votes, but a fair number did like the fresher look. Thanks to everyone who replied to the survey. I clearly know what not to do.



#### **Emergency Center** Now Available

By Pat Kittle, **Township Supervisor** 

It took a little longer than originally planned, but the Townships Senior Activity Center located in Clintonwood Park has finally been expanded, renovated and equipped with a top notch generator that will be able to accommodate residents in need after a power outage from a severe summer stormor snowy winter blast.

Need to recharge your cell phone, get fresh water, enjoy a hot cup of coffee or just warm up / cool off and chat with your peers, the Township Senior Activity Center will be there for you in both the best and the worst of times. And you will be amazed at the number of services provided to our Seniors, including but not limited to: day and extended trips, dances, card clubs, dinner parties, arts & crafts, medical services, retirement & financial advice, exercise classes, social functions and more.

If you have any questions about the Township Senior Activity Center as an Emergency Center or want more information on all the many services and activities available to Seniors in our community, call Barb Rollin at 248 625 8231

### Softball to Clintonwood

Mt. Pleasant and the mid-Michigan area received torrential rain and massive flooding late last week forcing

USA Softball of Michigan to cancel the Junior Olympic state tournaments for girls class A teams this weekend - 108 teams.

Two divisions will now be moved to Holland Township the weekend of July 13-16 (18U and 16U).

Denny Troshack, Junior Olympic Commissioner for USA Softball of Metro Detroit

has worked with USA Softball of Michigan to host two tournaments.

of Metro Detroit

#### Girls 14U A in Independence Township Girls 12U A in Oxford.

We expect approximately 25-35 teams to play at Independence Township, Clintonwood Park from July 13 to July 16. This is approximately 1,500 coaches, parents, players, spectators coming to town. This is a great opportunity for Independence Township and we welcome these people with open arms.

## **Storm Drain Awareness**

#### By Dave McKee, **Township DPW Director**

Everything that goes down a storm drain flows into our lakes and streams. Follow these tips below to keep our waterways clean:

#### Sweep extra fertilizer, grass clippings, and dirt on your driveway back onto

Hosing down your driveway sends these pollutants into storm drains that lead to lakes, streams, and beaches.

#### Only allow rain to go down the drain

Never dump motor oil, Dave McKee chemicals, pet waste, leaves, dirty or soapy water, or anything else down the storm drain. All of these materials pollute our lakes and streams.



**DPW Director**,

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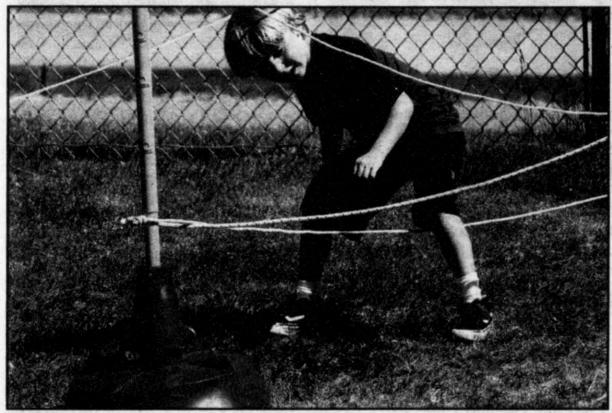
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Lupita Ruiz-Rosas and Dalton Schmidt race to fill buckets with water.



Second-grader John Tracey ducks through the obstacle course.

## Field games

Before embarking on summer vacation, North Sashabaw Elementary students enjoyed field day activities, June 8.

Kids from Kindergarten through fifth grade enjoyed parachute games, water games, an obstacle course and more during their annual field day.

Students are out for vacation after finishing school on June 16. NSE hosts Meet the Teacher on Friday, Aug. 25, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

New families are asked to enroll at Clarkston Community Schools Central Office.



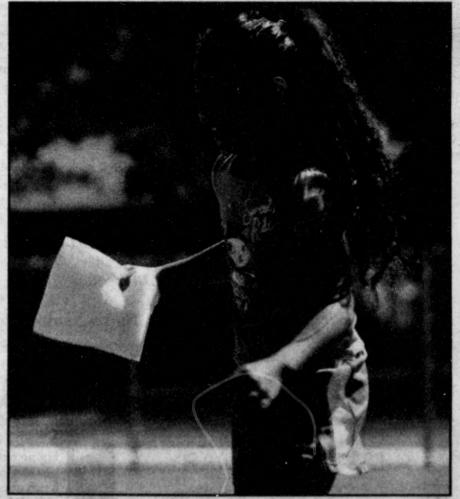
First-grader Morgan Joyce shares a smile be-fore heading inside for lunch.



Kindergartners McKenna Chambers and Lucas Lauzon work together during one of the stations at field day.



Jamie Herbst, Kenzie Miller, Alivia Brown and Aryanna Hardin work together in a battle of tug of war against their classmates. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price



Kindergartener Ameera Santiago runs to grab more water with a sponge to fill her team's bucket.

#### **Events**

Blood drive, American Red Cross, July 14, 1-6:45 p.m., American Legion Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road. 800-RED CROSS, 800-733-2767.

Clarkston Garden Walk, July 19, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Walk includes six unique gardens with musicians and garden artists. Tickets are \$15 hought prior to walk and sold at Harrisons, Bordines, The Gateway, Clarkston Chamber and the Library. Tickets day of walk are \$18. For more info go to www.clarkstongardenclub.org or call 248-620-3131

Wheelchair Daze, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Aug. 5, Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road. Event for people of all ages with any form of disability and immediate families, carnival games, barrier-free boat rides, music, dancing, cotton candy, BBQ lunch. All free. Register by July 25, 248-424-7081.

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.

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

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

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

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

Tuesday

Clarkston Community Women's Club, third Tuesday, 7 p.m., Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-623-9462.

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

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## Around Jown

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



MOVIN' AND GROOVIN': The Magic Bus brings vibrant color and music to Clarkston's Fourth of July parade. Join Magic Bus this Friday for groovy 1970s music as they headline Concerts in the Park, 7 p.m. Local talent Sean Z opens the night at 6 p.m. during the event held by Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

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 Jack, 248-334-3686.

Nuview Nutrition Meet & Greet, 6:30-8 p.m.,

first Tuesdays, free, 7300 Dixie Highway Suite 500. Pre-register, 248-625-5143.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Clarkston News' Coffee Club business networking, 7:30-9 a.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Free. Facebook.com/coffeeclubmi, and www.ClarkstonCoffeeClub.com.

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

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.

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

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

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

Friday

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

Saturday

Free yoga. Yoga Oasis hosts free yoga classes every Saturday, 10-11 a.m. on the lawn of the Clarkston Renaissance High School, 6558 Waldon Road during the Clarkston Farmer's Market. Bring a yoga mat and a bottle of water.

**Volunteer opportunities** 

Avalon Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, personal care, or just be there. Two hours a week or more. 800-664-6334; McLaren Hospice, not-for-profit, companionship-type for patients living with terminal illness, 248-320-0106. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Oakland County, 55+, opportunities at hospitals, cultural institutions, food pantries, tutoring. 248-559-1147 ext. 3911; Meals on Wheels, for homebound elderly or handicapped individuals in Independence Township and Clarkston, 248-625-8231.

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## People Poll

Thoughts on President Trump's Supreme-Court-adjusted travel ban for 90 days, for aliens from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen?

"Spectacular."

- Tom Hereford

"That disgusting pig is a blight on all of us."

"Definitely good for Americans."

- Chuck Inäbnit "He successfully implemented a travel ban on countries who produced zero terrorist attacks on us in the past 20 years. But he is a man who 'fixes' a non-existent problem and proclaims it a 'win."

- Brad Monastiere "Obama did the same thing! So it was ok then, right?"

"Go visit their country. They'll kill you." - Thomas Jeyce

"If you're on the left, you're against it and are willing to live with (usually someone else) people being put in danger. If you respect the Constitution, you know it is in the President's power to make such decisions, particularly in the interests of national security. Some people are willing to allow us to drift into a new reality, where terror acts are commonplace on American soil, and such people are against the President. Of course, in the past, when other presidents did roughly equal acts, never heard a peep. It's politics."

 Michael Scott Brumback "Embarrassing. All of this time to come up with their 'extreme vetting' protocols yet they still push forward with this ill-conceived 90-day ban of people from countries that haven't produced terrorists who have attacked the US. Yet, Saudi Arabia, the REAL state sponsor of terrorism with their Salafi Whabbi perversion of Islam, is not on the list? This is nothing but political garnesmanship to score some cheap points with the Trump supporters too guilible to know any better."

Vetting only works when the country of origin keeps records. It is only a temporary ban to figure out how we can vet from those countries, has nothing to do with sponsors of terrorism."

- Tommy VanMess

"If the current system didnt work then where are the attacks? They happened with near weekly occurrence in Europe. Oh yeah, that 4,000 mile ocean is like our privacy fence. America, the gated community."

- Eric Lee "Well, we're not obligated to allow non citizens into our country. I know a lot of people are throwing a fit about it. I'm not a Trump apologist, I didn't vote for him, but people need to pick and choose their battles."

> - Matthew Edmus Posted on Facebook, "Clarkston News"

# Millstream The Clarkston News' Millstream

Showcasing the reasons this is a great area to live and work!

## Farm stays in family for generations

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Ninth in a series on the families who helped build Clarkston and the descendants who still live here, carrying on their legacy.

In his 31 years working for Ford Tractor in Birmingham, George Mann had several opportunities to transfer to other parts of the country.

He always decided to stay here in Clarkston.

"I was born a quarter mile from here. I've been here all my life," said Mann, who is now retired. "It's my hometown. I've made a lot of good memories. I'm happy with what I did, and I've always enjoyed Clarkston."

His involvement with Ford started soon after his birth in 1936, when the family lived on farm property now used by St. Dan's.

"I remember Henry Ford came to the farm, and sat in the kitchen with my mother," he said. "We were still farming with teams of horses. He said the new age was tractors. He sent us a tractor for my dad to use."

His father made a deal with Ford for most of their farm land, leaving five acres on Allen Road.

"We had a big barn with hand hewn timbers he wanted for Greenfield Village," Mann remembered.

Ford took the timber and the family stayed on Allen Road. When I-75 was built, the interstate divided the property.

His daughter, Jennifer Angus, also moved back to Clarkston after moving away, building a house on the Allen Road land.

"We lived in Auburn Hills for four years. After our first child, we decided we needed a bigger house," Angus said.

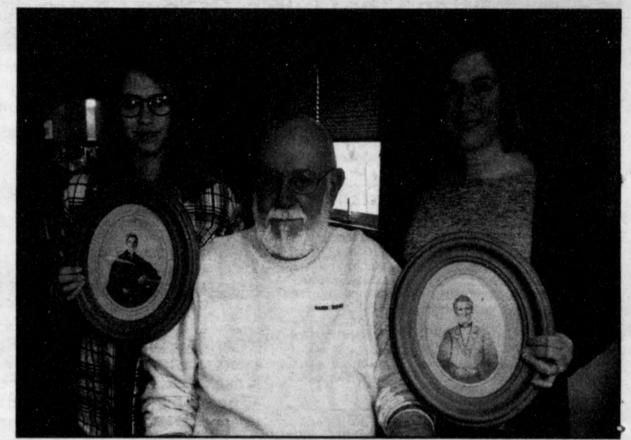
Quinn Angus, Jennifer's daughter, hopes to stay, too.

"I really like the area," Quinn said. "I like the history I learned from my grandpa."

The Mann family lived in the Boothby House at M-15 and Dixie during the Depression in the 20s, and later moved to a farm on Walters Road, across from the current high school football field.

Jennifer's ancestors through her grandmother Mildred Crosby settled in Springfield Township after emigrating from England.

"Clarkston was always their town," she said. "Four generations of Crosbys are buried in Lakeview Cemetery."



George Mann, with his daughter Jennifer Angus and granddaughter Quinn Angus, with 1835 portraits of ancestors Arza and Laura Crosby.



Grandfather George rides a horse in a Clarkston Fourth of July parade.

The family still operate their property as a hobby farm, with chickens, goats, and rabbits in the barn.

"I'm enjoying retirement - the grandkids are here a lot," Mann said.

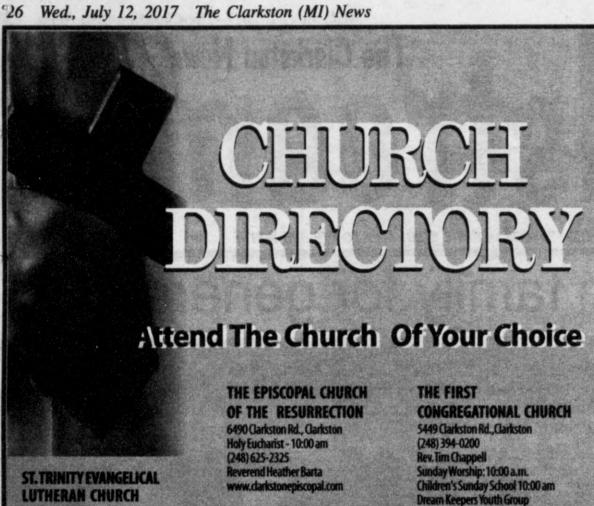
"I was in 4H. My girls in 4H. It's how I was raised," Angus said. "We always knew what we were eating. After a lot of writing



In his younger years, George Mann helps out at the family farm.

and research, we started raising our own so we know where it comes from. The kids are pretty much same way."

The Clarkston News and Tom Stone, longtime resident and genealogist, are highlighting every month local families who have lived in the area for at least 100 years.



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nday's 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm March - May and Sept. - Nov. www.fcclarkston.com

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## Obituaries &: Obituaries

#### Gloria J. Newell, 88

Gloria J. Newell of Waterford passed away July 3, 2017, at age 88.

She was preceded in death by her

husband George. She was the mother of Darleen (Chuck) Wheeler, Debra (Gary) Viazanko, Donald (Joni) Newell; grandma of Christine, Derek, Ruthie (Jeff), Charley, (Josh), Stephanie Christopher, Andrew, Doug; great grandma of

Jordan, Samantha, Justin, Jacob, Melanie, DJ; sister of Carole (Jim) Stott; preceded in death by her grandson Anthony.

Gloria was a member of Waypoint Free Methodist Church and enjoyed playing golf, bingo and Yahtzee. She was an animal lover and dearly missed her dog, Midnight.

Funeral service was July 8 at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Christian Memorial Cemetery. Memorial may be made to National Kidney Foundation. Online guestbookwww. wintfuneralhome.com.

#### John J. Nicholson, 87

John J. Nicholson of Clarkston passed away July 2, 2017, at age 87.

He was the father of John (Alice)

Nicholson, Karen Nicholson. Diane Jones; Nicholson preceded in death by his children Raymond Nicholson and Donna Nicholson Gourand; survived by 10 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren; brother of Anna

Chappell; former husband of Patricia

John served in the U.S. Army and retired as a purchasing agent.

Graveside service was July 5 at Lakeview Cemetery, Clarkston. Memorials service was July 6 at First Baptist Church of Clarkston. Arrangements entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Donations may be made to First Baptist Church of Clarkston. Online guestbook www.wint funeralhome.com.

#### Emmanuel G. Marakis, 85

Emmanuel G Marakis of Waterford passed away July 7, 2017, at age 85.

He was the husband of Mary for 53 years; father of Stacy Marakis, George (Tiffany) Marakis and John Marakis; grandfather of Isabelle.

Trisagion Service was July 9 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Service was July 10 at St. George Greek Orthodox Church. Interment White Chapel Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. George Greek Orthodox Church. Online guestbook www.wintfuneral home.com.

#### Beverly Rieves, 51

Beverly Ann Rieves of Ortonville died July 4, 2017. She was 51.

Born Nov. 27, 1965, in Pontiac, Mich., to

Charles "John" and Carole (nee: Lumm) Rexford, she is survived by her loving son, Connor Rieves; her parents, John and Carole Rexford; one brother, Bryan Rexford; one sister, Brenda (Paul) Hescott; parentsin-law, Phil and Nora



Rieves; brother-in-law, Jeff Rieves. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Kevin Wayne Rieves.

Beverly graduated with honors from Oakland Community College Nursing Program. She was employed by POH Emergency Center in Clarkston.

Mass of the Resurrection was July 11 at St. Perpetua Catholic Church, Waterford. Final resting place, Ortonville Cemetery. Visitation was July 10 at Village Funeral Home-Ortonville.

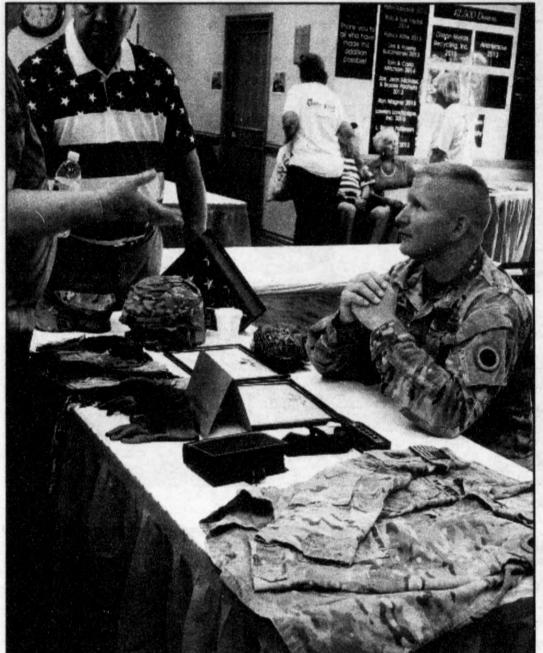
Memorial donations may be made to Ortonville Community Emergency Fund or the Heat Stays On. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

To send a condolence to the family go to www.villagefh.com.

**Obituaries** posted daily at Clarkstonnews.com

#### Community events?

Tell us about them at 248-625-3370 or ClarkstonNews@gmail.com



Army SSG Brandon Vickery talks about his service in Afghanistan.



Diane Clark received recognition, including from U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, in honor of her husband, the late Bart Clark, U.S. Navy veteran who participated in and helped organize the veterans' event every Fourth of July for six years.

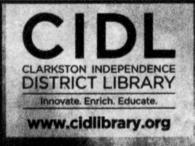


Stan Strobel of Pontiac Miniature Aircraft Club

# Military memories

The Fourth of July Veterans Celebration included a Military Museum in the Independence Township Senior Community Center, where veterans and groups discussed and displayed information, equipment, and artifacts for folks to check out.

Photos by Phil Custodio



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Saturday, August 12 1-3 pm

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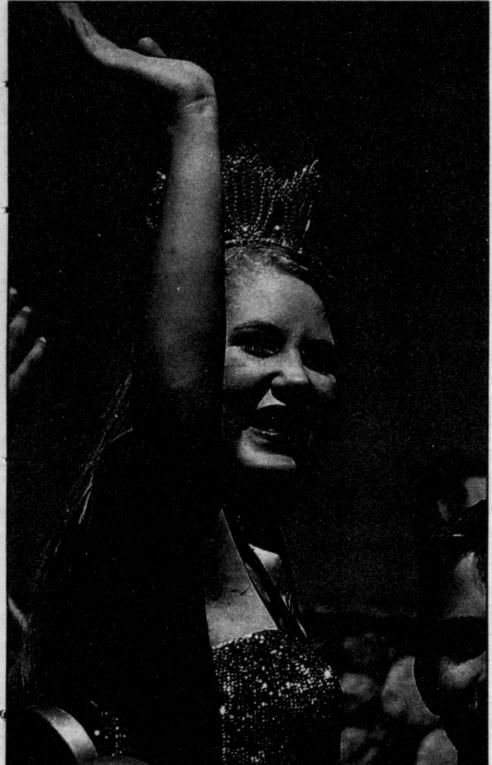
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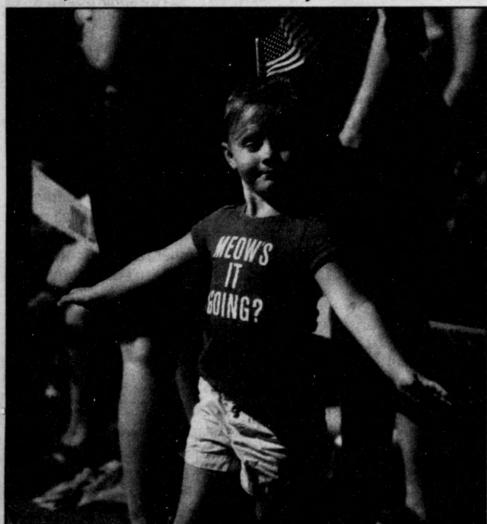
July 27, August 10 & 24

Join us at the Clarkston Community Gardens (near the corner of Pine Knob and Stickney Rds) for this great collaboration between the library and the Creative Co-Op Preschool. We will have a storytime provided by the library and crafts provided by the preschool! Everyone is welcome!





Abbey Johnston, 2017 Michigan Teen Miss United States Agriculture, waves to the crowd. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price



Mya Wickings enjoys the music tunes while dancing with family before the parade begins.



Ironman Jet Pyke, of Oxford, receives a flag from John Reilly.

## To the parade

The annual Fourth of July parade didn't disappoint thousands who visited downtown Clarkston for the event.

Many enjoyed candy from 94 businesses and non-profit organizations walking by. Gavin and Zach Price from Clinton Township shared they received 108 pieces of candy during their first Clarkston parade.

Neiman's Family Market handed out water bottles on the sunny, warm morning.



Ivy Pyke, of Oxford, takes a cupcake from Union General.



From left in front, Shane Prochaska, Joey Speirs, Mo Speirs, Chad Speirs with Maggie Prochaska. Maggie and Shane were visiting from Chicago.



Team 8 with Lily Craighead, Grace Sielinski, Nick Morgan and Audrey Dekoninck have the design and will power to win this year's RUSH Regatta on Saturday.



Team 6 and Team 7 are ready to win the race. From left, Grace Havel, Carson Morris, Austin Schmitz and Tim Gerst. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price

## Teams race to the RUSH Cup on the lake

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Students are finishing the final touches on their cardboard and duct tape boats as they prepare to race in the 10th Annual RUSH Regatta at Deer Lake Beach this Saturday.

For students in eight teams with Team RUSH 27 Robotics team it's an opportunity to get to know their teammates, build a boat and raise money for the competition season.

For Kyle Hughes, coach, and Dennis Hughes, her husband and RUSH mentor, it's a special year because it's the last race for their youngest of three children, Cody.

Dennis admitted he won't miss the abundant supply of cardboard and liquid nails in the garage, having his car in the driveway for a few months, or trying to transport a 11-foot cardboard to the beach on race day without damaging it.

"What we will miss the most is watching our kids grow through this incredible project," Kyle and Dennis shared. "Troy, Courtney and Cody have significantly grown through the process of the engineering challenge and through their entrepreneurial prowess. Watching our kids gain confidence in talking to companies, knowing they were essentially creating their own business over the summer, and being so proud of their boat - that's what we will miss."

Each of the Hughes children of won the prized RUSH Cup but other students are ready to claim the cup in victory.

"We have the willpower and we have the look," said Nick Morgan, a junior going into his third year with the robotics team. "I am excited because I want to finally win. For two years I have gotten second place and third place. I want to get first place."

"We are going to win for design," added teammate Grace Sielinski, a freshman. "Not to give anything away, but we have a very unique design. If everything goes as planned it will be good."

Junior Lily Craighead explained the boat has three parts to it.

"If something were to happen to one part we could keep going with it. Hopefully it will help us win," she said.

Grace Havel, a sophomore, explained her team will win because they have done well on sponsorships.

"From the fundraising aspect, once we get a few more sponsors I think we will be up there," Havel said. "We are working hard on our boat and getting it to be as sturdy as possible."

Senior Carson Morris in his third year with Team RUSH 27 added teammate senior Tim Gerst's experience with making a boat will help them win.

"We know how to make a good boat to to make a boat that doesn't sink," Morris said. "On the fundraising aspect we have many newer companies, and we have made several relationships with companies through the years."

Win or lose the teams are excited for the annual race.

"It's a really great opportunity for new students to be introduced to engineering challenges," Craighead said. "I was a new student last year so it really helped me understand how things worked and different design ideas. Another aspect is calling companies (for sponsorships). I don't like talking on the phone so it really pushes you out of your comfort zone."

"I like it because I get to work with a small group of people from the team," said

freshman Audrey Dekoninck. "It will help us get ready for working with the full team."

Morgan added it's an amazing team builder as he gets to know his teammates.

Gerst, Morris, senior Austin Schmitz and sophomore Grace Havel are excited because it's a beginning of a new year with the robotics teams and they are looking forward to try new subgroups and continuing to learn more.

"I am going to try more of the mechanical side instead of the business side," said Havel. "I am excited to get into the shop."

Team RUSH 27 invites the community to Deer Lake Beach this Saturday at noon as they race for Wicked Fast Watercraft, Enterprising & Seaworthy Sailors Award, Cash Crusaders Award and the RUSH Cup.

"It's a super fun event and so entertaining," said Havel. "I remember when my brother was on the team. It was his first year of doing the regatta, and I didn't know a lot about RUSH. When I went to the regatta it was so entertaining. It was so fun to see them sink and see them scramble. It's so entertaining and you get to see something people wouldn't think of - building a boat out of cardboard and duct tape."

Morris added before his dad retired from the Air Force they moved place to place and he had never seen anything like RUSH Regatta.

"I thought it was cool - this is unique," he shared. "I moved here and basically started working on regatta right when I got here."

"It is pretty inspiring," Dekonink added. "It's really cool for younger kids to see older kids build these by themselves."

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF OAKLAND** 

NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate** 

FILE NO:

Estate of Lynn Powers O'Neill. Date of birth: July 13, 1951. TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Lynn Powers O'Neill, died

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the est will be forever barred unless presented to Thomas Dickinson, persona 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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#### Because the People Want to Know DEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **JUNE 28, 2017** 

- A. A Regular Budget Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at Independence Township Hall.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was given: Drew Kuczera, Boy Scout Troop 199
- ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga. Loughrin, Ritchie, Schroeder Absent: None

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Kim Feigley, Director of Assessing; Wendy Hillman, Finance Director; Rick Yaeger, Budget & Operations Analyst Absent: None

E. BUDGET SESSION:

- Review 2018 Budgets for General Fund and CIP [Motion #2016-12-212] - Rick Yaeger, Budget & Operations Analyst; Patrick J. Kittle, Supervisor)
- **BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None**
- **PUBLIC COMMENT: None PUBLIC HEARING: None**
- PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS: None
- CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS:
- **CONSENT AGENDA: None**
- ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: M. REGULAR BUSINESS: None
- COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / **REPORTS: None**
- **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Clerk Pallotta**
- ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at

Respectfully Submitted Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC Township Clerk

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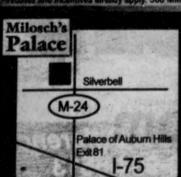
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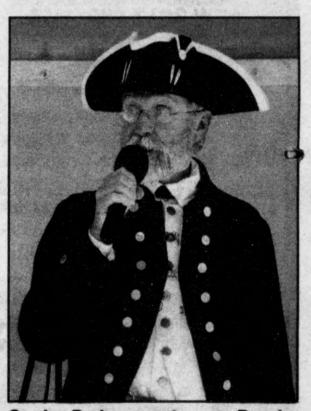
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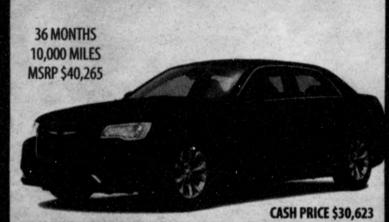
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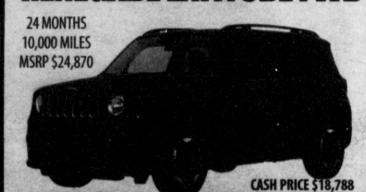


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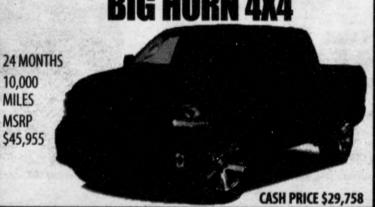


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