

Newcomer on council

BY PHIL CUSTODIO Clarkston News Editor

Scott Reynolds joined Clarkston City Council this week after a successful campaign, earning 191 votes in last Tuesday's election.

"I was pleased with the results. It shows that hard work. dedication and persistence pay off," said Reynolds, who ran for council for the first time and received 25.92 percent of the vote. "We were able to attract a very diverse group of voters by delivering an open and transparent message."

Three seats were up for a vote in the Nov. 7 election. Incumbent Eric Haven received the most votes, with 197 ballots cast for him, 26.73 percent of the total.

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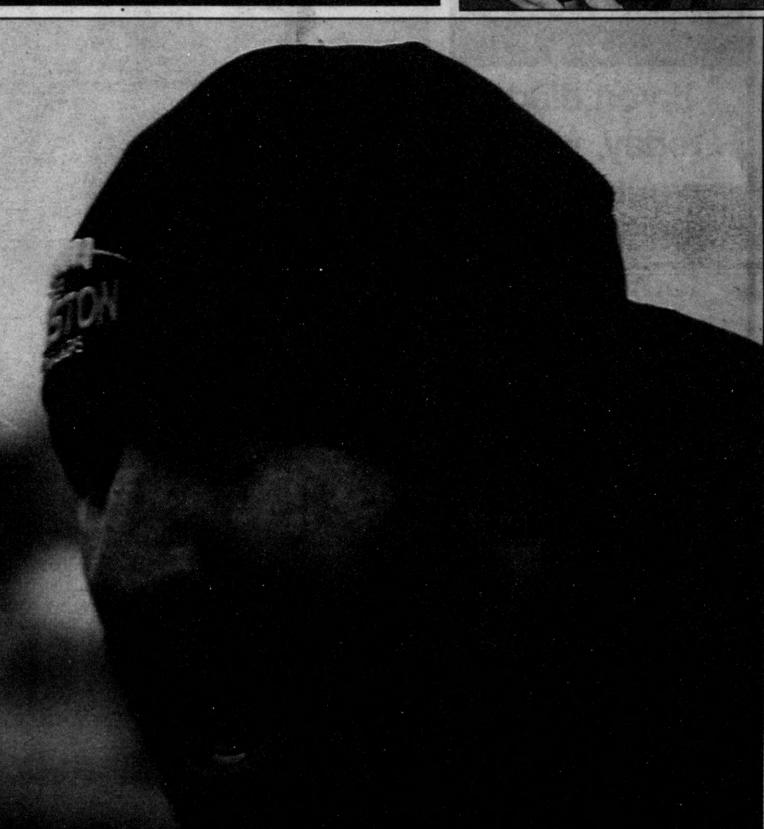
voted for me and promise to serve to the best of my ability," Haven said. "As I said in various statements during the election, I will work to serve the community as a whole and preserve the safeguards of our historic city."

Those safeguards include city-hood, good zoning, and the historic district, he said.

"Many stalwart men and women have worked diligently over the years to establish the quality of our community. I will work and encourage others to build upon their solid foundation," Haven said.

Incumbent Jason M. Kneisc was returned to City Council with 174 votes, 23.61 percent.

"When you really dive into the numbers it gets very inter-See Voters on page 3





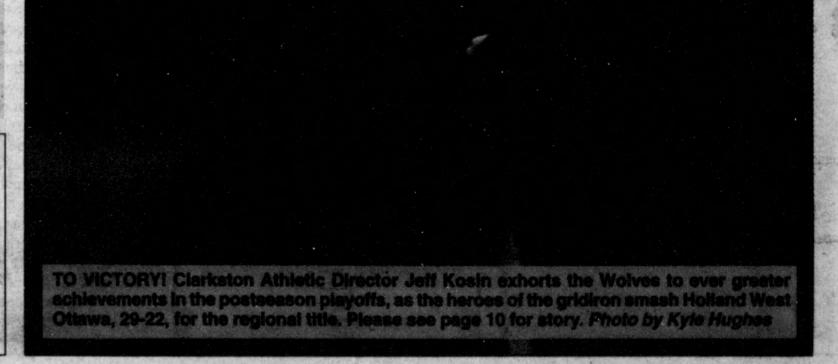
From left, Clerk Sandy Miller Swears in newly elected **City Council members Scott Reynolds and Jason** Kneisc at Monday's meeting. Council member Eric Haven, who was also re-elected during last Tuesday's vote, was absent due to being out of town. Photo by **Phil Custodio**

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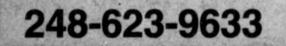
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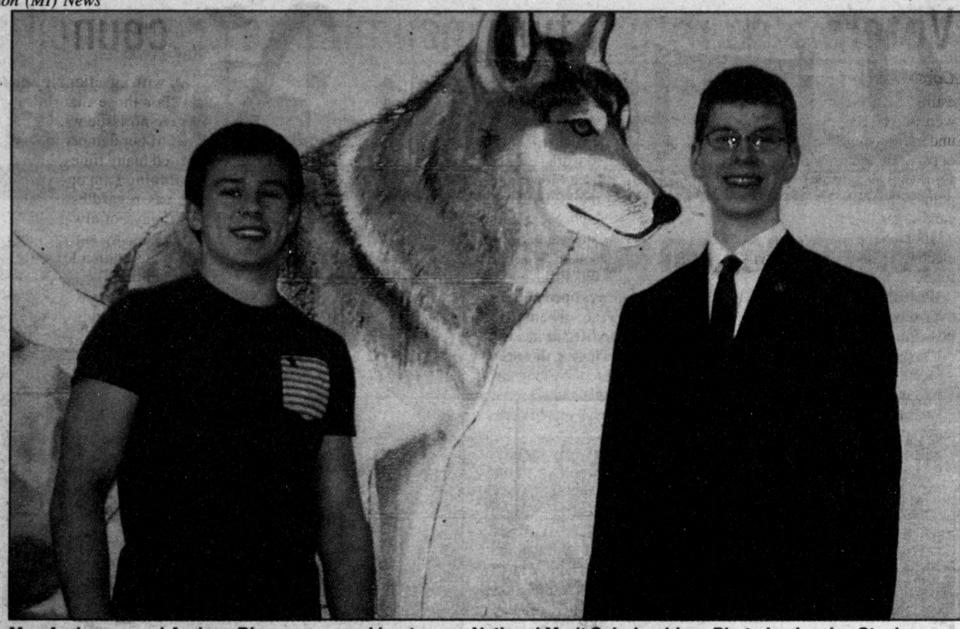
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Max Anderson and Andrew Dimmer are working to earn National Merit Scholarships. Photo by Jessica Steeley

Finalists work to make world better

BY JESSICA STEELEY.

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The life of a National Merit Scholar Finalist differs from student to student, but their academics and extracurriculars ensure one commonality: an involved lifestyle.

Clarkston High School has two finalists this year, seniors Andrew Dimmer and Max Anderson. Out of 50,000 qualifying students, Dimmer and Anderson were chosen as two of the 15,000 finalists.

"It's pretty exciting, it shows the hard work that I've put in at the high school has begun to pay off," Anderson said.

He is currently enrolled in five Advanced Placement (AP) classes, in addition to the five he took in previous years, and is on the Varsity Basketball team. He's also been in Clarkston's Science, Mathematics and Technology (CSMTech) Academy since 8th grade.

"That obviously has really helped me in terms of the math and science portions of these standardized tests and just teaching me in those areas," Anderson explained. "I really like it, I've really enjoyed it."

A score of 1480/1520 qualified Anderson for the merit scholar program. He said his classes prepared him well for the exam material and he prepared with practice PSAT tests as well. He hopes to get accepted at University of Michigan, studying data science.

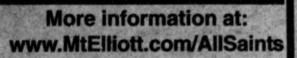
"Michigan actually offers their data science degree through the engineering departthe Optimist Club.

"I'm very excited, this is a great opportunity for me," Dimmer said of being a finalist. He scored a 1500/1520 on the PSAT.

"The summer beforehand I was doing every day basically a practice test or two just to go see the material," he said.

Through his membership in several school organizations, Dimmer is also incredibly active in the community.

"I do a lot of stuff in the community through National Honors Society, National Technical Honors Society, Optimist Club, I usually run our soldier care package project each year, so I've been doing that, I also like volunteering a lot at the local library, I was on their teen advisory board last year," he



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4680 Hatchery Rd Waterford MI 48329 ment," Anderson said. "I thought that was really interesting, that's what I want to do, so that's why I think Michigan is my top choice, just because they have that specific degree." Anderson has on occasion been up until 2 a.m. completing school work, and during

2 a.m. completing school work, and during basketball season he practices for over two hours every weekday after school.

Though he isn't involved in athletics, Dimmer participates in almost everything else. This semester he has three AP classes, two classes in the International Baccalaureate program, and he takes Calculus 3 at Oakland Community College.

He is also president of Business Professionals of America, the National Technical Honors Society and DECA, and an officer of explained.

Dimmer has yet to decide on a college, but he hopes to find a program involving a mix of Information Technology and Computer Science.

"I'm looking to go to college for a computer science degree and see which direction that takes me," Dimmer said. "Now that I do have more options in terms of being recognized by this National Merit Scholar Program, I think I've got better chances with maybe some larger universities if they still teach the classes I'm looking for."

Dimmer and Anderson are in the running to receive one of 7,500 National Merit Scholarships. Winners will be named in the spring of 2018.

Voters also return two incumbents to council

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esting," Kneisc said. "For instance, there were 336 total voters, but of those, 268 were undervotes, meaning they only voted for one or two individuals, which definitely points to some divisiveness. Another interesting data point is that only 24 votes separated all four candidates."

Incumbent David Marsh fell short of reelection by one vote, with 173 ballots cast for him, 23.47 percent.

Reynolds' campaign included walking all over the city to meet as many residents as possible.

"It proved to be a great history lesson," he said. "People in our town are very talkative and the notion of being an independent candidate resulted in some very good discussions. I actually think that having made this investment in our town better prepares me for the City Council position that I was elected to. I am looking forward to getting to work."

Discussions about historic preservation and the FOIA lawsuit, especially those led by Mayor Steve Percival, residents like Cory Johnston, and *The Clarkston News* seemed to resonate with voters, Kneisc said.

"Whether you voted for me or not, I am always open to healthy discussion about the village. The best way to move forward is together," he said.

Election day was a long and cold 13 hour day, but was enjoyable, Reynolds said.

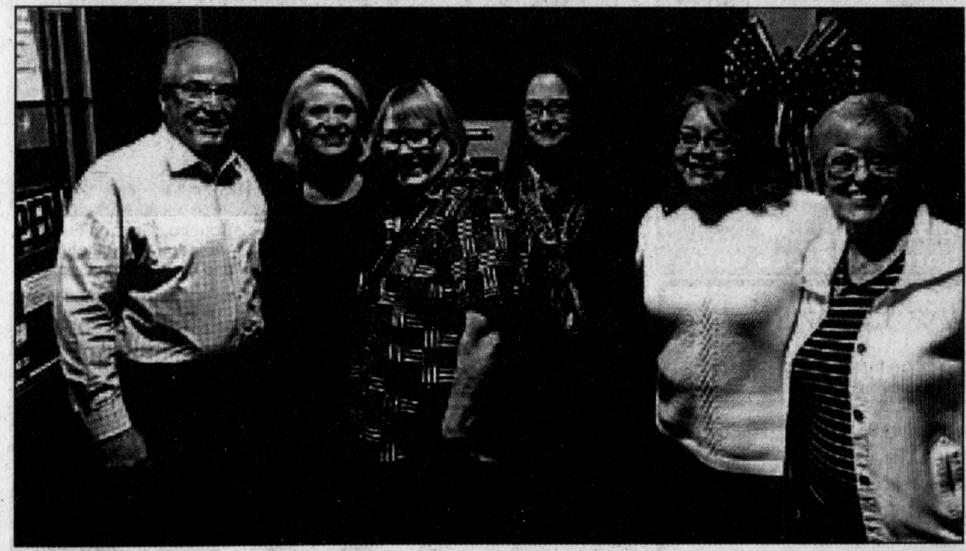
"I really appreciate the people that voted for me. Many came out into the

parking lot to meet with me after they had voted," he said. "For those that did not vote for me – I have no issue with that – it's the natural part of our democratic process. As I have stated many times, I ran as an independent meaning I am open to listening to good ideas regardless of who presents them. We may not always agree on every issue but it is my sincere hope that we can always maintain a high level of respect for one another."

Voter turnout in Clarkston was 40.93 percent, with 336 voters participating out of 821 who are registered.

Countywide voter turnout was 19.85 percent, according to the county clerk.

"Voting is taken seriously here – I love it," said city Clerk Sandy Miller.



Michigan Secretary of State Ruth Johnson was in town on election night, and dropped by Clarkston City Hall. From left are City Manager Jonathan Smith, Johnson, Clerk Sandy Miller, and election assistants Jennifer Speagle, Rita Heady, and Marcy Rotondo. *Photo provided*

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Master Plan meeting

Clarkton Planning Commission hosts a Master Plan meeting at 7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 16, at Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

They will hear comments on the vision for downtown, residential neighborhoods, transportation, natural features, parks, and other topics. For more information, call 248-625-1559.

Funds for fire trucks

Independence Township Board approved \$11,000 for Fire Department vehicle maintenance, at their Nov. 6 meeting.

The budget adjustment from the Fire Fund's Contractual Services Account to the Vehicle Maintenance Account was required due to an increase in repairs and maintenance during the 2017 fiscal year.

The board also approved the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Agreement. The township will receive \$112,403 in 2017 CDBG funds in December.

Senior Services will receive \$6,120; Transportation, \$9,000; Youth Services. \$7,350; and Minor Home Repair, \$89,933.

Hashtag to give

The Amyloidosis Foundation is participating in #GivingTuesday, Nov. 28, just after Thanksgiving, Black Friday, and Cyber Monday.

In 2016, the Clarkston-based foundation raised \$4,300 with 53 donations. The goal for the non-profit group, which supports research for the rare blood disease, is \$10,000. Since 2005, they have awarded over \$1.4 million in grant funds to researchers worldwide. For information, check www.amyloidosis.org.



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From left are Eva Bousho, Josie Metzler, Charley Bousho, Kierston Furness, Scarlet Anderson, Maddie Schmidt, and Autumn Amador. Participating but not pictured are Aiyanna Lewis, Abby Knowlton, and Brooklyn McLean.

Scouting for Food

Girl Scout Troop 75949 partnered with Gleaners Food Bank, collecting bags of food Clarkston residents left on their porches to be donated, Nov. 11.

This was their first year participating in Scouting for Food as a troop, and they were able to fill an SUV with donations with the help of the community.



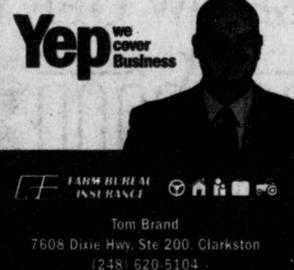
Jenna Baumgras, at left, and Paige Baumgras pass out the bags in the rain the weekend before. *Photos provided*



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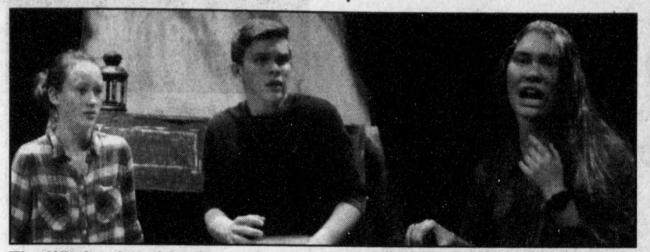
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The Witch, played by Sierra Bonser, explains to the baker, Brady Stewart, and his wife, Kayle Phillips, why she put a curse on the baker's family. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

Junior high heads 'Into the Woods'

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Fairy tales come alive as the Clarkston Junior High School Drama Club presents "Into the Woods," junior version, this Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.

"It's one of my favorites," said Veronica Trapani, stage manager, about choosing the musical. "It's something different from the realism of 'Annie' last year to something more into the fantasy realm."

The musical centers around different stories including Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk, Rapunzel, and Little Red Riding Hood as the characters' lives intertwine.

"They all want to get their wish," said Grace Delasko, who plays Little Red Riding Hood. "Everyone has their own goal and they want or need something."

Brady Stewart's goal as the baker is obtaining certain items to lift a curse off him and his wife made by the witch played by Sierra Bonser.

"My character is kind of a coward for the first half of the play," Stewart explained. "He isn't courageous and kind of dumb. He doesn't know what to do a lot of the time. As the play progresses, he learns how to take control of situations and do things right. He grows as a person."

Bonser explained her character of the witch wants to make herself beautiful.

"I am a self-absorbed, protective mother," she added. "I start out as the ugliest character in the show. I have this motive of becoming beautiful again. I am manipulative to get my wish and get what I want. The story unravels from there."

Delasko smiled. "It's very fun to act and learn."

Bonser agreed.

"I have really enjoyed getting to know everyone and working with everyone," Bonser added. "I am being exposed to new people and new experiences, and I am really loving it. Also, you can see what our school can provide."

Trapani added "Into the Woods, Jr." is more kids orientated than the other versions.

"For little kids it's definitely a show they can come see," she said. "It's not scary. There may be some jumpy moments."

General admission is \$5 per ticket at the door.



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Little Red Riding Hood is curious about everything, Delasko said about her character.

"She finds everything interesting," she said. "If something gives her a hint you aren't supposed to do it, she doesn't pay attention to it. She just goes and does it anyway."

The cast invites the community out to see the performances and enjoy a night out. "If you have children and they love fairy tales, they can experience something greater than the fairy tale," Stewart said. "It's magical. It can be interesting to watch." "I think everyone should come see it,"

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

Curtains for computer

There's nothing like a dead computer to focus one's priorities.

I kept everything on there, despite the nearly constant advice of just about everyone who knows anything about data management.

The laptop suffered a fall to the floor. It was balanced on the arm of a recliner, but I maintain the incident is mostly due to the actions of a cat named Emma who wanted to rub her face

on it. I slowly started to go into shock when I pushed the button to restart it and it didn't.

The button light came on, but nothing appeared on the screen. I drew upon decades of computer experience in formulating a response.

I pushed the button until the light went out. Counted to 10. Then I pushed it again. I might have done this 5-6 or a dozen times until accepting the truth.

The machine was dead. How dead, I didn't quite realize until I took it in for repair and was told the hard drive was probably destroyed.

If it is completely gone, I will have lost more than four years of photos of celebrities, me and celebrities, and fellow comic and anime fans, pictures I took at conventions across the country since 2013.

Also, three years of *Clarkston News* photos, which I used to burn onto CDs, but stopped because they were much more conveniently located right there on the hard drive.

Six years of my webcomic, *Living Room Wars*, which is almost to number 600 and counting.

So now my old, battered laptop from the early days of the 2010s has come out of retirement in service to this week's edition. I have to use a thumb drive because

Opinion Pages Letters, columns & Editorials

Support of Friendly Forest appreciated

Dear Clarkston News,

On behalf of Independence Township Parks, Recreation, and Seniors and our event partner the Clarkston Area Optimist Club, I would like to thank you for your support of the 2017 Friendly Forest.

The event was a huge success, with over 1,070 kids walking through the trail! After the children collected candy from the array of costumed characters, they enjoyed a hay maze, photo stations, wagon rides, train ride, and juice and donuts. Families had the opportunity to have a meal from the Hero Vs. Villain food truck. Even with so much to offer at this event, we were still able to charge an affordable ticket price that hasn't increased.

This was made possible, in large part, by your sponsorship. Again, thank you for your support and we greatly appreciate your devotion to our programs and this community. Sincerely,

> Amy Laboisonniere Friendly Forest event lead

A call to slow down on Sashabaw Road

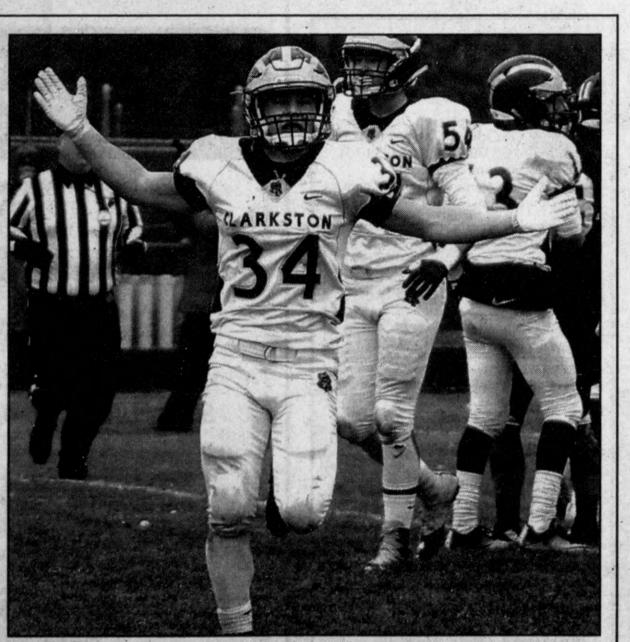
Dear Editor,

I travel on Sashabaw Road every day between Waldon and Maybee roads because of my job. Why on earth is the speed limit 50 mph with Pine Knob Elementary located on the street, a hospital, and various businesses?

There is an accident almost every day! Also, even though the speed limit is 50, people speed and do 55 and 60, sometimes higher. I travel on Ormond Road as well, where we have a 50 mph speed limit.

Something needs to be done? What can be done to change this "death trap" road? Please pass the word to our city managers. Thank you,

Jennie Coughlin Independence Township P.S. I am aware of the 35 mph school speed limit that no one ever observes.



A Look Back From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 2002

"Birdland up in arms - want to purchase property to stop development" The Concerned Citizens for Independence Township were taking a proactive approach to keep their neighborhood how it was. The group was looking into the option of buying a 25-acre parcel of land, at the northeast corner of Dixie Highway and Maybee Road, to perserve the land.

"The Days of World War II" Veteran. Robert Morse, a 81-year-old Clarkston resident, shared his experience and what he learned being in the United States Army during World War II.

"Area seniors are treated to turkey and all the trimmings" For the second consecutive year, Knights of Columbus in Clarkston held a Thanksgiving dinner for 154 area seniors in early November.

25 years ago - 1992

"Wintry weather" Snow made for a wet weekend in downtown Clarkston. Temperatures hovered around 32 degrees as the ground was alternately white with snow or brown with mug. The wind, however, was calm.

"A sign of the times" Alyson McChesney signed her name on plenty of papers at Clarkston High School but her signature on Nov. 10 was extra special as she signed her letter of intent to play basketball at Oakland University following graduation.

"Imagination and music" Sounds of a saxophone softly came from Sherril Bailey's fifth-grade class at Clarkston Elementary where students sat poised with pencils and paper while listening to the music. Their ultimate goal was turning the music into words to express their feelings.

50 years ago - 1967

"Named Jaycee of the month" Art Ripley received the Jaycee of the Month trophy. He had served as co-chairman of the membership orientation and Road Races. He also served as chairman for ladies night.



anything on the hard drive is immediately lost when it loses power, which it does regularly because it has no battery capacity and its wheezing fan can barely keep it from overheating.

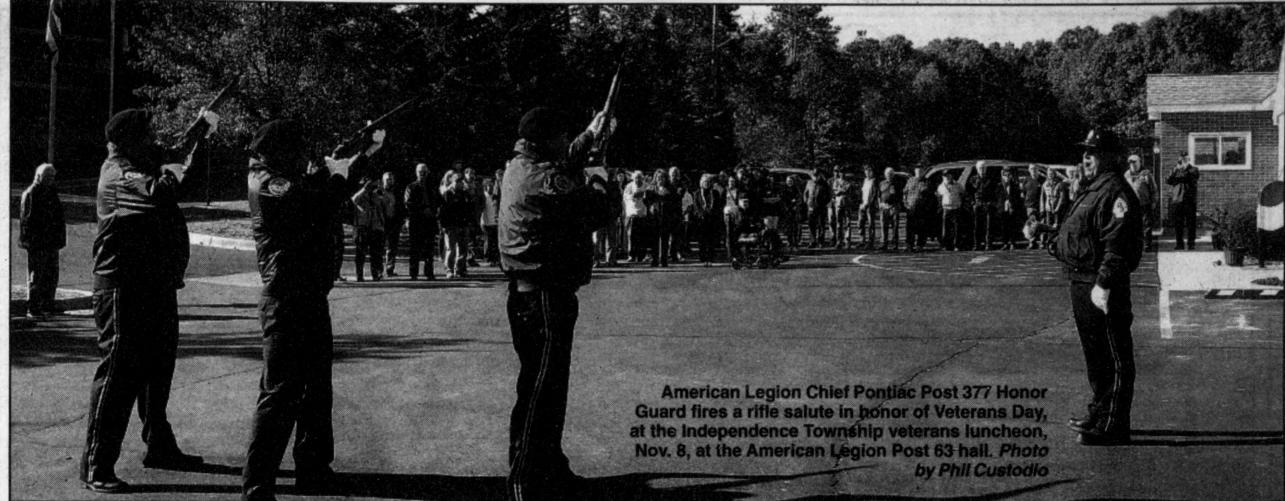
Hopefully by next week my new laptop will be up and running.

It's not all that bad. I uploaded my favorite convention photos to Facebook over the years, and webcomic archives are available on its website. Newspaper photos are on the Sherman Publications servers in Oxford, so I can still get those if needed.

Anyway, heed my tale of woe. Back up your stuff. Senior Josh Cantu celebrates a successful touchdown against Holland West Ottawa as the Clarkston fans cheer. Photo provided by Kyle Hughes

"Round the town" Ron Gray of Middle Lake Road hosted a party for 24 of his friends. Games ranged from ping pong to bumper pool with refreshments including hot dogs, chips, punch and candy.

"Ancient art process revived by local woman" Mrs. Keith Leak, a Clarkston resident, was making a name for herself with her work on many exquisite pieces which were on display in a Main Street store. She used an art which originated in the 17th century called decoupage.



Their journeys led them to write

books they recently published. One, Jim DuFrense, is a veteran writer of travel books; the other, Ann Margaret

Johns, is a newbie to the publishing world. Jim likes to hike and be out on the trails, this love has led him to publish 20 Rush Me books. Ann's journey wasn't so much fun, however it has led her to join the Lowly Scribe's Club.

Welcome Ann!

DuFresn

pine Mountains? Read Jim's book.

It's good to hear from you again, Jim! Now, let's plug your books!

"Clarkston's Curse: one child's quest to make sense of the tragedies in her home town," is a work of love based on Ann's recollections of local tragedies tragic deaths which, when freshly wrote

about in the "local paper", (yup, the ever-lovin' Clarkston nightmares. News) would give her

"My daughters didn't

Recently, two locals and I communicated about the incomprehensible murders struck residents of this rural community."

> Every weekend for four years, Ann would go to the Clarkston Independence District Library and spend about five hours researching the stories she remembered. She poured over Microfilm versions of The Clarkston News to verify her facts.

(I just did some quick math, 52 weeks times four years equals 208 weeks times five hours equals 1,040 hours of research. Yikes.)

Her style is kinda' fresh in its first hand accounting of life in the Clarkston area - how her parents, grandparents, her brother Patrick and friends all lived and played. From Walters Lake where her grandparents lived, to the little farm her folks built on Allen Road, clear on the other side of Independence Township.

Ann is a year older than yours truly, she graduated from Clarkston High School in 1980, and I bounced out CHS' doors in 1981. Many of the stories she writes about I, too, remember. (But apparently, since I was just a testosteroned juiced boy, things which happened around me that did not believe me when I told directly involve me, I didn't dwell on long. I think I was still them about some of the in the "the World revolves around Don" school of thought.)



Don't



A column by Don Rush

stories from town when I was growing up. I told them there were so many stories I could write a book. And, I did."

According to the book's back jacket, " . . . this sleepy little town has a dark side. Between 1969 and 1982, more Want to know where to hike in the Porcu-40 than

What was really shocking is the list of headlines in the back of her book — almost five full pages of boy dies, girl drowns, crashes, fires, falls, kidnapping and murder. Wow, we did report on a lot of death.

Ann's book is for sale at Essence on Main, and she is having a signing party at The Gateway on Dec. 9, from 4-7 p.m. If you cannot wait til then to get your hands on a copy of her book, hop on the internet and check out her website, www.AnnMargaretJohns.com/clarkstons-curse. It's an easy read at just over 200 pages.

I have written about big Jim DuFrense before and I like his hiking books. The latest release is a 176-page exploration of the Upper Peninsula's Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park. unexplained

This is actually the 4th edition of the book, but this newer, accidents and



Ann Johns with her first book, Clarkston's Curse.

updated version is pretty sweet because the pictures and maps are in full color. I was geeked.

Jim packed the book with trial information, and attractions for all seasons: hiking, biking, skiing and snowshoeing. If you dig getting out and in the wilds, check out www.MichiganTrailMaps.com. Click on the Books and Guides link for this and other books Jim has written.

Thanks for sharing guys. I think these books will make great stocking stuffers. And when I write my book, I will be sure to get you complimentary copies!

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Oakland County Sheriff's deputies blocked off Main Street at Washington and Church streets during a crisis-intervention incident, Nov. 9. Photo by Phil Custodio

Man talked down off downtown roof

A 21-year-old Brandon Township man's brother called the Oakland County Sheriff's Office to inform them his brother was on the roof of a downtown Clarkston Restaurant, feeling suicidal, 11:59 a.m., Nov. 9.

Deputies found the 21-year-old on the roof of the Union Woodshop restaurant, a twostory building. He had climbed a ladder and scaled a locked gate to access the roof.

According to reports, deputies established a rapport with him and got him to climb back down the ladder, where he was checked by Independence Township paramedics and taken to Common Ground for treatment.

Deputies receive extra training in suicide prevention, said Lt. Larry Perry, commander of the Independence Township substation.

"We have two deputies with training in crisis intervention, and both were on the roof," said Lt. Larry Perry, Independence Township substation commander. "We're fortunate to have them. They did a great job, talking him down and getting him some help." – Phil Custodio INDEPENDENCE TELEVISION Coming up this week: Have you ever wanted

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For Clarkston and Independence Township No trailer plate

Public Safety

A deputy on patrol stopped a pickup truck with no license plate on its trailer, 10:40 a.m., Nov. 3, at White Lake Road and Dixie Highway. The company was cited with license plate violation, and no fire extinguisher, triangles, or proof of insurance.

More parking tickets

Sheriff's deputies issued 67 citations in September, according to the Independence substation monthly report, including 45 for prohibited parking, eight parking violations, four for impeding traffic, two each for no driver's license on person, speeding, no proof of registration, and defective lights, and a failure to stop and traffic signal infraction. Thirteen warnings were issued. "As previously communicated, we are stepping up parking enforcement throughout the city," said City Manager Jonathan Smith in his report to City Council, Nov. 13. "Business employees and patrons need to be aware that the 30 minute and two-hour parking limits are being strictly enforced and will result in a \$25 ticket. We are also working with the Secretary of State to recover payment for previous unpaid tickets. Lastly, we are seeking a second enforcement officer to patrol evenings and Saturdays."

Wrong way

A 48-year-old Independence Township woman was stopped after driving the wrong way on Depot Road, 11:47 a.m., Nov. 9. She was cited for driving with a suspended license and wrong-way driving, and her vehicle was impounded.

Warrant for speeder

A 30-year-old Waterford man was stopped on Sashabaw Road near Willowpark for driving 60 mph in a 35 mph school zone, 7:48 a.m., Nov. 7. He was found with a warrant out of Waterford for retail fraud. He was cited for driving with a suspended license, improper license plate, speeding in a school zone, and no insurance, and picked up by Waterford Police on the warrant. **Hit by brick**

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A Waterford woman was driving southbound on Dixie Highway near White Lake Road, 2:15 p.m., Nov. 7, when a brick hit her windshield, spiderwebbing it. She said she was following a landscaping truck, but wasn't sure where the brick came from.

Lost laptop

A Davisburg man called police after a work laptop he shipped to California disappeared, Nov. 3. Doors Open 6:30 pm includes the dinner Dinner 7:00 pm buffet & show. Show 8:00 pm Thursday December 14th Cash Bar Doors Open & Dinner 6:30 pm Christmas With Elvis Dinner & Show Show 7:30 - 9:00 pm \$45.00 Per Person December 7th \$70.00 Per Couple Pottel Harly Call 248-391-1900 For All Event Reservations



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BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston's gridiron heroes overcame a 16-point deficit in the final stanza of their MHSAA Football Division 1 Regional game at Holland West Ottawa. The 29-22 win propels them to the Final Four.

"The ending was just fun. Everybody was out on the field taking pictures with the trophy. It was cool," said Kurt Richardon, long-time head coach for Clarkston Varsity Football. "It was a great fourth quarter. It was a pretty good second half. We didn't play good the first half. I don't know if it was the 2-hour bus drive, but we were kind of flat. Second half, we got it going. Josh Cantu and the offensive line were outstanding."

Cantu scored within the first minute of the final quarter off a 1-yard run. Before West Ottawa could score, Wolf Garrett Joseph recovered a fumble putting Clarkston at the Panther's 15-yard line. Seconds later Cantu would add another 15-yard touchdown run to the board.

Quarterback Nate Uballe followed each touchdown with a 2-point conversion pass to senior Tieler Houston, tying the game 22-22. With just over three minutes left in the game, Cantu scored again on a 29-yard line.

"Anytime Josh is doing well that means the offensive line is too," Richardson explained. "They are the one who really took command of that game."

He added defense turned things around in the second half as well.

"We started putting pressure on the quarterback," he said. "We started flying to the football like we have been doing. We didn't do that in the first half. We were

of turnovers. We did some good things in the second half, the fourth quarter especially."

The Wolves opened the game with a 2yard touchdown run from Cantu.

"We came out and scored right away, and I thought 'okay, we are good," Richardson shared. "Then, we just, I don't know, flat there for a little while. I don't know what the reason was."

The Panthers closed the first quarter taking the lead with a field goal and a touchdown. They scored 12 more points in the second quarter to lead 22-6 at halftime.

Uballe went 8-for-14 in passing for 94 yards with two interceptions. Houston and Zach Scott caught two passes each. Cantu was the leading rusher with 201 yards on 34 carries. Jermaine Roemer was 1-for-2 on PATs with his first attempt blocked.

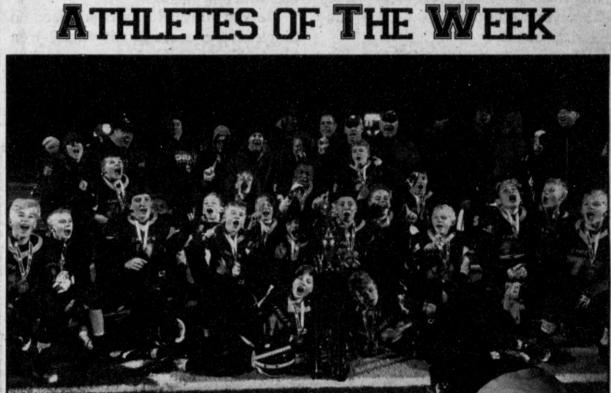
Scott led defense with six tackles and blocked one of the Panther's PAT attempts. Josh Luther and Anthony Simmons had five tackles each. Gino Paese had four tackles, two with loss of yards for West Ottawa.

"Paese was outstanding," Richardson added. "He was really good at the end. Tieler had a good game."

The Wolves (10-2) play Detroit Catholic Central (8-4) in the MHSAA Division 1 Football Semifinals on Saturday. The last time Clarkston faced DCC was in 2013 when they beat them for the state championship.

"They are big, strong and run orientated," Richardson said. "They are a great program with a rich history. It will be a good game. It will be a good battle."

Kick off is at 1 p.m. at Walled Lake Western, 600 Beck Road, Commerce



The Clarkston Chiefs JV Blue team celebrates winning the Northern Youth Football League Superbowl at Clarkston High School, Nov. 4. Photo provided

Undefeated

The Clarkston Chiefs JV Blue team celebrated the end of their season, winning the Northern Youth Football League Superbowl, Nov. 4.

They finished their undefeated 10-0 season with a 20-12 win over Avondale for the championship win.

During National Division playoffs, they posted two shut outs as they defeated Lapeer in the first round, 26-0; and Lake Orion Green in the second round, 6-0.

It was the last season for coaches Pat Paterscak and Desmond Stephens, who had their first season together in 2013, which ended in a loss in the Superbowl to

worked hard to prepare for their final season this year and their last shot for the NYFL title.

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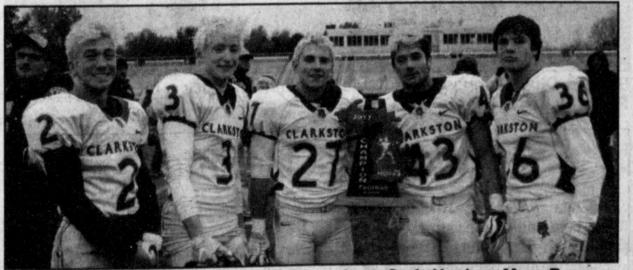
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The end result was going undefeated with one of the toughest schedules in the league and setting a record for the fewest points allowed in a season. The Chiefs defense only allowed 50 points scored on the JV Blue.

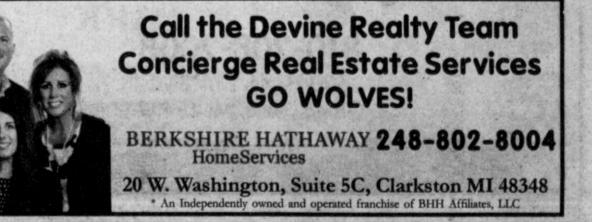
The Clarkston Chiefs JV Blue team is Landon Chamberlain, Evan Day, Zachary Fenton, Trent Greene, Evan Holler, Colin Kortman, Tanner Kupp, Luke Leiendecker, Khyin Leys, Sawyer Maday, Cody Mattson, Christopher Metzler, Mason McGuire, Corey Pittman, Isaiah Rumball, Jason Santiago, Desmond Stephens II, Luke Toderan, Mason Thomson, Caleb Trigalet, Nick Waszczenko, Nash Vanvelzen, and Jadon Zaviski.

playing real cautious. We caused a couple Township.



From left, Conor Donahue, Spencer Lenardson, Cody Hughes, Maxx Brennan and Jack Featherston proudly pose with the regional trophy. Photo by Kyle Hughes

Oxford Gold. The 2014 and 2015 seasons didn't go as planned, but during the offseasons players like Desmond Stephens II, Cole Kortman, Jadon Zaviski, Mason McGuire, Caleb Trigalet, Luke Toderan, Landon Chamberlain and Tanner Kupp



Tennis honors

Players from Clarkston Boys Varsity Tennis team finished the season receiving honors.

Luke Baylis, Frank Piana and Jacob Burkett were named All-League, which was voted on by league coaches. The top 22 players within the league's seven teams earn the award.

Baylis was named to the All-State First team. Piana and Burkett received All-State Honorable Mention. All-State honors are voted on by Coaches Association Board of Directors. The top 25 single players in the state make the first team.

The Wolves finished in ninth place in the MHSAA Division 1 Boys Tennis Finals with nine points.

Burkett finished in second place on Singles No. 3 court. Baylis went 2-1 on Singles No. 1 court; and Piana went 1-1 on Singles No. 2 court. They will be back next fall.

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Season ends at regionals

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Spikers battled as they finished their season to Marian in the regional finals last Thursday at Bloomfield Hills High School, 3-0.

"I told them it hurts tonight, but hopefully they will look back on the season and these last couple of weeks," said Clarkston Varsity Volleyball Head Coach Kelly Pinner. "It's been great to coach them all year long."

Marian opened the first game with a two point lead. The Wolves caught up and tied the game before taking the lead with points from Corrin Gualtieri and Abbey Malinowski.

Both teams stayed neck and neck on the scoreboard until Marian took the game, 26-24.

Marian led by 11 points during the second game as the Wolves closed the gap quite a few times and had close saves to keep Marian from scoring before the Mustangs took the game, 25-20.

"It's a testimony to what was mostly seniors out on the floor," Pinner said. "They didn't want it to end. We are a talented team. We were just a little off tonight."

The third game finished the same way as the Mustangs won the game and regional championship, 25-20.

"Marian played an outstanding game," she added. "They brought everything. Lauren Wenzel was hard for us to stop. Their outside hitters were just banging it. Their

defense is amazing. We struggled on serving. We never really got anything going offensively. That's not a good combination to win regionals."

Malinowski had 13 kills and Kayla Luchenbach had four blocks and three kills. The Wolves defeated Troy in the regional semifinals on Nov. 7, 3-0; 25-17, 26-24, 25-19.

"Troy is a great team," Pinner said. "They have outside hitter Jessica Robinson. She was hard for us to stop, but we played some great defense. We were able to get an offense going and be able to use Abbey and the other hitters."

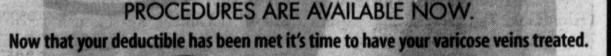
Malinowski had 19 kills and two blocks. Claire Nowicki had eight kills and Jennifer Chupinsky had two aces and 15 digs.

"It's obviously disappointing to end your season that way," Pinner said. "As a varsity coach and being part of a varsity team, the girls have to realize you are going to end the season unless you are the one team that wins the state championship."

The team said goodbye to nine seniors: Jennifer Chupinsky, Kayla Daly-Seiler, Corrin Gualtieri, Olivia Johnson, Shaelyn Koleber, Grace Kraft, Kayla Luchenbach, Abbey Malinowski and Kristen Marani.

"We are definitely going to miss those nine seniors," Pinner said. "There was a lot of leadership out of those kids and a lot of experience. They were all around a great group of girls to coach all year."





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Seniors Olivia Johnson and Kayla Luchenbach block a hit during playoffs. Photo by Larry Wright

Wolfpack Update

Clarkston Varsity Hockey defeated Dearborn Unified in their first scrimmage of the season, 8-2, making 26 shots on goal. The Wolves open the season against Bay City at Bay County Civic Arena on

Saturday, 3 p.m. They head to Birmingham Ice Arean for a Thanksgiving Tournament, Nov. 24 and 25. They host their home opener against Farmington at Detroit Skate Club, Nov. 30 at 5:30 p.m



The Clarkston Girls Swim and Dive team share Wolves Up as they prepare for the state championship. *Photo by Wendi Reardon Price*

Swimmers set for states

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Voices sang out from the Clarkston High School natatorium as the girls swim and dive team took a break between laps while preparing for the state championships this Friday and Saturday.

They qualified in 11 events including diving, three relay events and eight individual events.

"It's exciting to take that many athletes," said Coach Amber Miller. "It's a move in the right direction for Clarkston Swimming. Each year we just build a little more - keep building and hopefully not too long from now we are fighting for the state championship."

Sophomore Abby Line qualified for diving, finishing in ninth place at regionals last Thursday with 312.05 points.

They qualified in the 200-yard medley relay, 200-yard freestyle relay and 400-yard freestyle relay.

Senior Ashleigh Allen, junior Caroline Hughes and sophomore Haley VanBuskirk qualified in multiple events throughout the season. They can only compete in two at their teammates, give to each other, support each other, swim for each other.

"We say there's strength and power in doing something for someone else rather than yourself, far surpasses anything you can do if you are just doing it for your own gain," she added.

For live, how are they going to live what their goals are for each meet and what will they do if things don't go perfectly.

"Are they going to take advantage of every moment they have to train to achieve their goals? Are they going to remain humble in victory? Or are they going to go against what we have talked about and worked for this season," Miller said.

How they choose to be great extends past what they do while in the pool, but also what they do during a meet for their team, parents, and community.

"Being great does not come by simply doing what's required, it's going above and beyond," Miller said, adding they listen to motivation speeches. "It's a long season. These girls practice nine times a week, plus meets and competitions are three days and all day. It's a different beast. It's keeping them inspired through that last push." Wed., November 15, 2017 The Clarkston (MI) News 13

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the state championship and at time of press, the psych sheets weren't available.

Freshman Alexis Moon qualified in the 100-yard breaststroke event during the Oakland County meet.

"It's fun," Miller added about seeing them succeed during the season. "It's nice to see all the hard work pay off. It's been rewarding not only for me but for them and for their parents, who run the meets and are in the stands. To see the success come together feels like a blessing."

Miller has a saying the swimmers followed throughout the season - Give, Live, Be Great. "It's our theme we introduced," she added Miller explained, for giving, it's looking within themselves on how will they give to Many will continue to swim with their club team after the school season finishes, but the Wolves said goodbye to 10 seniors as they honored them in October.

"It's hard to see them go," Miller said. "It's nice to see Ashleigh close her senior year with the Wayne State University announcement - knowing she is committed to them and see dreams continue. I feel happy for her and her family's accomplishment."

The MHSAA Division 1 Girls Swim and Dive State Championship is at Oakland University. The ticket office and doors open at 9:30 a.m. The swim preliminaries and finals start at 12 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each.

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Richard Blasey of Clarkston, 89, with a picture of him from the late 1940s, when he was serving in the intelligence division at the American Embassy in Moscow.

Lunch for vets

Independence Township Senior Center hosted a lunch for veterans, in honor of Veterans Day, on Nov. 8at the American Legion Post 63 hall.

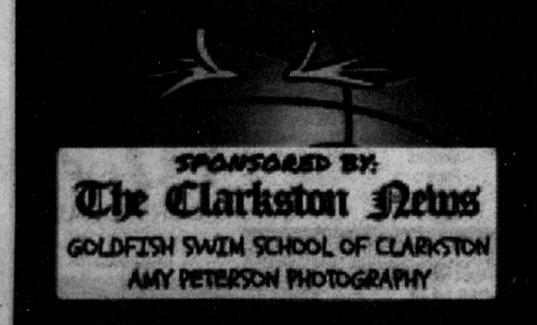
Clarkston Junior High School history teachers Mark Magni and Christina Rogers brought a group of junior high students to serve lunch to the veterans, and talk to them about their military service.

Clarkston News Editor Phil Custodio and Clarkston Mayor Steven Percival, both Army veterans, delivered some remarks after dessert.

World War II veteran Richard Pilon shares some wartime experiences with Clarkston Junior High students Grace Sielinski and Liesl Netherland. Photos by Phil Custodio

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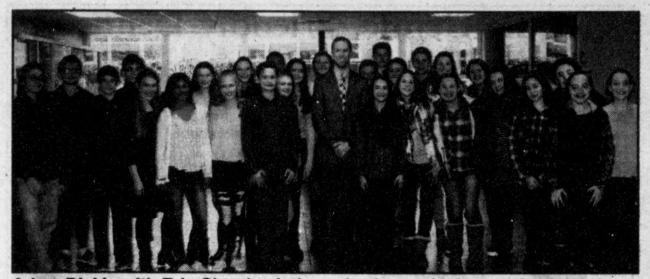
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Adam Dickie with Erin Shaw's ninth grade class, which organized the Veterans Day event. Photos by Jessica Steeley

Alumni Marine honored for service

BY JESSICA STEELEY

Clarkston News Staff Writer

For ninth grader Sierra Bonser, honoring Veterans Day is personal – her father served in the U.S. Air Force when she was growing up.

"It gave me a personal connection to what all these people are going through," said the Clarkston Junior High School student. "I understand what it's like to walk on base and feel safe behind all the wires and all the protection and knowing that you're with all of these strong people, and you see them go away and you don't see them for a long time, and that's really heartbreaking."

She and her classmates honored veterans, and Clarkston alumni Adam Dickie in particular, with a decorative stone in the Jenna Beno Memorial Courtyard, Nov. 10. The stone, engraved with Dickie's name and unit decorations, now sits in the rock garden of the courtyard, named after Beno, a Clarkston veteran who passed away in 2012.

"This whole day was incredible, not only for me, but for my family, it's an honor to be here, to be given this opportunity and that stone by the classmates, words can't describe. I was actually getting into tears a little bit," Dickie said.

He served in the Marine Corp for four years and was deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan from 2009-2011. After his time in the service, he earned his Bachelor's degree from Ferris State and now works as a police officer in Grand Blanc Township. rable moment for her and an experience she can take with her from junior high to high school.

"It was really important to honor a veteran, because they really don't get enough, and I think it's important to take time out of our day to just represent them for an hour, just understand what they're going through and respect what they're saying and doing for everyone else and for our protection as a country," she said.

The event was put on by one of Erin Shaw's ninth grade classes. Dickie also had Shaw as a teacher when he was attending Clarkston schools and he was glad to come back to help out one of her classes.

He first decided to become a Marine because of the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

"I was in eighth grade, in class actually, when the World Trade Center towers had fallen, so ever since then as a young kid I wanted to join the Marine Corp and go overseas and fight for what was right," Dickie said. "Ever since the towers fell, I wanted to go over there and be a part of getting back at the evil that hit us on that day with the two terror attacks."



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Bonser and a few classmates spoke about their feelings and experiences with veterans and Veterans Day in the school's auditorium before the stone's presentation.

"It's been kind of hectic, but we pulled it together and set up all of this reception and had students do the speeches," said ninth grader Caitlyn Pittman.

It was an honor to recognize a veteran and a privilege to have Dickie come to their school, Pittman said.

"There were a lot of people really dedicated to this, so it was really nice, it really came together," she said.

Bonser, whose father still serves as a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserves, said being able to honor a veteran will be a memoClarkston Junior High students made a decorative stone in Adam Dickie's honor.



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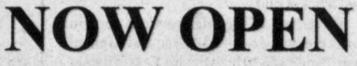
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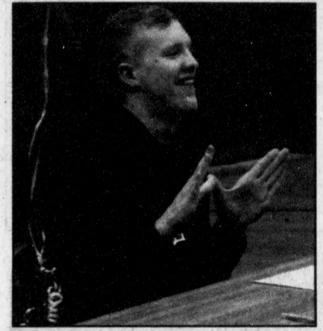


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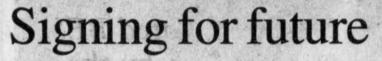
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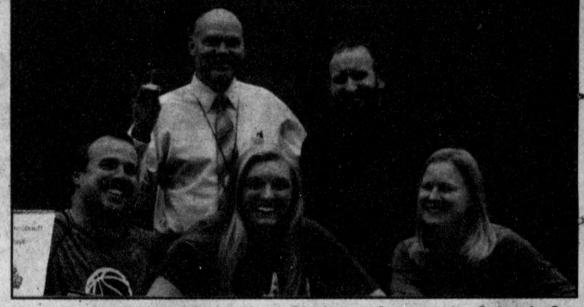


Taylor Currie celebrates with his teammates after signing to University of Wisconsin.



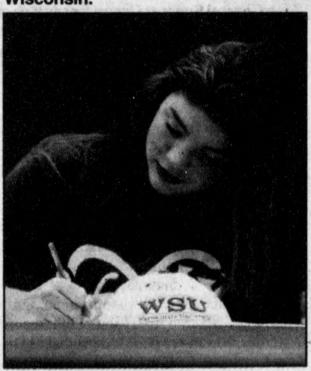
Eleven Clarkston High School students shared their intentions for their future as they signed their letters of intent in front of family, friends, and classmates, Nov. 8 – Ashleigh Allen, swimming, Wayne State University; Abbey Malinowski, volleyball, University of Michigan; Taylor Currie, basketball, University of Michigan; Thomas Kithier and Foster Loyer, basketball, Michigan State University; Kayla Luchenbach, basketball, Oakland University; Melanie Alnarie, lacrosse, Siena Heights University; Hannah Chadwell, softball, Oakland University; Isabel D'Autremont, lacrosse, Clearly University; and Samantha Weber, tennis, Lawrence Technological University.

Clarkston High School Athletic Director Jeff Kosin commended the students' on their achievement and asked them to thank those who helped them reach their goals in their athletic endeavors.



Kayla Luchenbach with coaches, Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock and Clarkston Athletic Director Jeff Kosin.

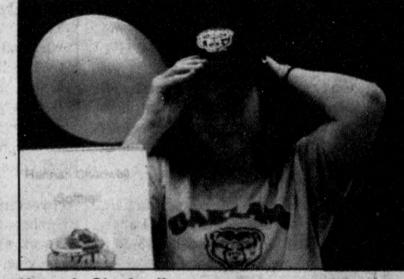




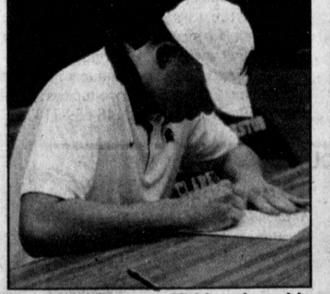




Abbey Malinowski with her parents.



Hannah Chadwell.



New Wolf Thomas Kithier signs his letter of intent for Michigan State.



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Poinsettia/Greens sale, Clarkston Community Women's Club, through Nov. 14; delivery, Nov. 27. Poinsettias is assortment of colors and sizes, wreaths, hanging basket, grave blankets, grave pillows, porch pots, centerpieces. Call Belinda, 248-520-9353; or Gail, 248-

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Annual Greens Market, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 2, Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. Wreath/Roping Sale, preorder, 248-625-6071.

Holiday Program Candle Lighting Service by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Dec. 12, 7 p.m. Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. 248-625-5231.

Sunday

Donation-only class benefitting O.A.T.S., Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Yoga Oasis, 6160 Dixie Highway. 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.

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

Tuesday

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

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

Clarkston Area Coin Club, second Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 5464 Waterford Road. 248-345-8555.

Needlework Night, fourth Tuesday, 6:30-8 p.m. Stitch and visit. Everyone welcome. Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Acalendar of places to go, people to see and things to do



From left, Jim Pike (Carl), Sara Sanger (Ida), Debbie Kramer (Myrtle), Michael Bell (Homer), Lois Keel (Aaronetta), David Kramer (Theodore), Cynthia Haaseth (Cora), Kay Lewis (Esther), and Phil Custodio (David) in the Clarkston Village Players' show "Mornings at Seven." Photo provided

Comedy of family errors with CVP

Clarkston Village Players brings the engagingly humorous play "Mornings at Seven" to Depot Theater, opening this weekend.

The lives of four sisters, Cora, Ida, Esther, and Arry, are inextricably intertwined, when into the fray comes Myrtle

First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. Guest fee, \$5.248-705-7310.

Networking Get-Together, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals Network, fourth Tuesday, 9-10 a.m., Picasso's Grapevine, 12 S Main Street. Free for chamber members.

Big Chief Barbershop Chorus, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Waterford Oaks, 2800 Watkins Lake Road. Call Jack, 248-334-3686. Brown, perpetually engaged to Ida's son Homer. Taking matters into her own hands, Myrtle finally gets a proposal by compelling Homer to fly the nest, which sends Homer's father, Carl, into one of his "spells."

Performance dates are Nov. 17-19, 24-26, Nov. 30, and Dec. 1-2. Call 248-425-5842.

ship Hall, 6483 Waldon Center Drive. 248-623-4313.

Thursday

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

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

Civic groups

Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m., 7048 Gateway Park Drive. 248-880-0027.

Clarkston Community Women's Club, third Tuesday, 7 p.m., Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Call President Pat Smolen, 248-909-3920.

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

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

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

Friday

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

Saturday

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



Volunteer opportunities

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.,

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

Wednesday

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, second Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Independence TownLunches 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. Avalon Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, 800-664-6334; McLaren Hospice, 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, 248-559-1147.



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Recently, we watched as another great tragedy unfolded in a small community outside of San Antonio, Texas.

A crazed man went into a small church and killed 26 men, women, and even children. Who would have imagined you could go to church in the morning and such a tragic event would take place.

Many people will say, "Where is God?" "Why wouldn't God stop Spiritual

this horrible event?" To those who read the Bible and believe that God is the all-powerful God, there is no doubt that He certainly could have inter-

vened in this situation. Unfortunately, with regards to this event, and many other circumstances where people have asked where God is, He has not chosen to do so.

However, we can see where God, in His providence, intervened in human history when He sent His Son to reconcile mankind. The center point of the Gospel declares, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

This is an example of God intervening in the affairs of men, to rescue us and to falfill His divine purpose. Yet, when we read the scriptures, we should understand that when God created man, He created us to have dominion over the works of His hands. This means that He has created us with certain responsibilities, including self-government...leaving many things

human condition to live a step higher. This step higher takes us into the realm of life that God is calling us to.

Christianity is the call to live a life above what we can live under just our normal circumstances, to the life of extraordinary circumstances.

When we make this choice, God says He will be with us to help us. The Apostle Paul declared, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

This should be the declaration of all Christians. We are not living in an ordinary time; so it will require us to do extraordinary things.

Let's live about our natural inclinations!

This is quite different than the present philosophy of our time. Most of the call today is to bring expectations down to the human condition, rather than to take the human condition to a higher level.

This is promoted as the loving way, where we accept one another for who we are, rather than placing expectations on one another. Throughout human history, we have always understood the need to live above our natural inclinations.

Role modeling for fathers and mothers are a good example of this. Although there is a natural side to both paternal and maternal instincts, many of the actions require self-sacrifice to be fully accomplished.

This does not happen if we only think about what is convenient, or satisfying, for ourselves personally.

Therefore, we need support, as well as guiding encouragement, from others who will motivate us to the life we are called to live.

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Pastor Loren Covarrubias

in our hands.

As the details of the attack came to light, we learned of a heroic neighbor who heard the commotion and got his gun to fend off the intruder, in turn saving many lives.

This exemplifies an unselfish human response; he laid his life on the line for others.

While being interviewed, the man said he was not a hero because he was scared throughout the event.

We often think a hero is someone who is not human. In fact, a hero is a very human person willing to overcome human responses to fulfill an altruistic goal.

This is indeed the fulfillment of God's goal for us, a willingness to overcome the

I have committed myself to the church, because I see the church as a vital and necessary support to live the good life. It is also the place to find the help we have need of, the help of Jesus Christ, who said, "Come to me all you who are weary and I will give you rest, take my yoke upon you, for my yoke is easy and my burden light." Will you join me in finding the best part of you, through a commitment to seeking Jesus Christ and His transformational power for your life? Let's not settle for selfishness when Christ is calling us forth as heroes, to live selfless for the kingdom of God!

The Rev. Loren Covarrubias is pastor of Mt. Zion



22 Wed., November 15, 2017 The Clarkston (MI) News Michael Glenn Sherwood, 54

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 Michael Glenn Sherwood of Clarkston passed away Nov. 6, 2017, at age 54.

He was the husband of Linda; father of Tia, Kayle, Carlie, Annalise and Dillan; brother of Vicki (Keith) Sievers, Jody Wyszynski,

Keith (Alice) Sherwood and his twin Michelle (Scott) McCormick; many nieces and nephews; son in law of Charles and Patricia Hayward; preceded in death by his parents Howard and Donna Sherwood and his nephew Christopher Michael Sievers.



Mike was a devoted family man and active member of Waypoint Church. He owned and operated Michael Sherwood Computer Sales and Service/Sherwood Business Machines.

Mike's memory will continue on by all the lives he touched with his generosity and dedication to being God's hands and feet.

Memorial Service was Nov. 11 at Waypoint Church, Clarkston. Arrangements entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Any donations to the family will be used for the Sherwood childrens' future education, Gofundme being set up.

Online guestbook www.wintfuneral home.com.

Jeannine Smith, 64

Jeannine S. Smith of Waterford passed away Nov. 12, 2017, at age 64.

She was survived by a loving husband, parents, children, grandchildren, siblings and many other family members and friends.

Visitation at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, Wednesday, 12-8 p.m. Funeral Service, Thursday, Nov. 16, at 11 a.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Warren. Interment Guardian Angel Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Almost Home animal rescue in Southfield. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Clarkston community achievements

Commander Ronald A. Gibson of Clarkston recently retired from the United States Navy after 22 years of service. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1995, and completed flight training in Pensacola, Fla., and Corpus Christi, Texas, in Gibson 1997. He flew P-3 Orion planes with the Fighting



Tigers of Patrol Squadron 8, stationed at Naval Air Station Brunswick, Maine, earning the Air Medal for flights in support of Operation Allied Force in the Balkans. He is currently a Boeing 737 first officer based out of Orlando, Fla. He and his wife, Jennifer, have five children.

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Dan Cobb of Clarkston, CEO of Daniel Brian Advertising, was recently elected to the Make-A-Wish volunteer Board of Directors. Cobb serves on the Forbes Agency Council, an invitation-only organization for seniorlevel executives in Marketing/Advertising. He has received numerous advertising and Web awards including Target, Caddy, Telly, Axiem, Health Care Marketing Awards, Global. and Crain's "40 under 40" list in 2004.

Jonathan Harrity of Clarkston was among more than 600 students who earned endowed scholarships at Baldwin Wallace University this fall. Harrity, a graduate of Troy High School majoring in instrumental performance and music education, earned the Willard & Donna Carmel Scholarship.

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Community grants

Independence Township approved \$20,000 for the Public Road Improvement Project-Neighborhood Road Improvement Program. Under this program, neighborhoods can apply for funding from the township for improvements made to their streets.

The township will cover 10 percent of the project's cost, up to \$20,000. The Green Acres Neighborhood applied for their road improvement project, which was completed in 2016 by the Road Commission for Oakland County. Township Treasurer Paul Brown said the program applies to neighborhood public roads, and funds are gathered from tickets issued to trucks that are overweight on township roads.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know NDEPENDENCE TWP. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS **REGULAR MEETING**

AGENDA

- DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Independence Township Hall 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, MI 48346
- CALL TO ORDER
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES
- **ROLL CALL:** C.
- **REVIEW OF AGENDA:** Agenda additions or deletions D. require a majority vote of Board Members present.
- PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:
- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
- Case #17-019, Moscovic Building Company, Petitioner, Requesting: A 4.16 foot side yard variance from Section 4.06(D), Table 4.06 in order to construct an attached garage on an existing non-conforming lot of record, 4626 Rockcroft Blvd., Parcel #08-33-376-007, R-1A Single Family Residential. (POSTPONED **NOVEMBER 1, 2017)**
- 2. Case #17-026, Paul Mychalowych, Petitioner, Requesting: A 5 foot front yard setback variance from Section 4.06(D), Table 4.06 in order to construct a home addition on an existing non-conforming lot of record, 8511 Lakeview Blvd., Parcel #08-112-377-011, R-1A Single Family Residential. (POSTPONED **NOVEMBER 1, 2017)**
- **NEW BUSINESS:**
- 1. 2018 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Schedule H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
- Regular Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2017 I. DISCUSSION:

J. ADJOURNMENT:

NOTICE: The above requests may be examined at the Building Department during regular business hours. Written comments may be sent to the attention of the Zoning Board of Appeals c/o Charter Township of Independence - Building Department; 6483 Waldon Center Drive -Clarkston, Michigan 48346 prior to the Meeting / Public Hearing. For further information call (248) 625-8111. Barbara A. Pallotta, Clerk

NOTICE: Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting should contact the Building Department at (248) 625-8111 at least two working days in advance of the meeting. An attempt shall be made to provide reasonable accommodations.

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO: **PROBATE COURT** COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate**

Estate of Edward Rayba. date of irth: 4-24-1936 TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Edward Rayba, died 12/ 31/2016

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary L. Young, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac and the named/proposed ntative within 4 months after the date of publication of

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

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE **NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 6:00 PM at Independence Township Hall.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was given
- ROLL CALL: Present: Brown, Aliaga, Loughrin, Ritchie, C Schroeder
- Absent: Kittle, Pallotta There was a quorum present.
- Also Present: David McKee, DPW Director; Derek Smith, PR&S Director
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
- CLOSED SESSION / BUDGET SESSION / STUDY SESSION: None
- BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Derek Smith, PR&S Director; Treasurer Brown; Trustee Schroeder PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- **PUBLIC HEARING: None**
- **PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS: None**
- CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None
- CONSENT AGENDA: Approval of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2017
- Approval of the Payroll of October 20, 2017 and Payroll of November 3, 2017 and Check Run of October 31, 2017 for a Total Amount of
- \$1,758,360.56 Approval of Fire Department Budget Adjustment L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:
- None
- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:
- Approval of PY 2017 Subrecipient Agreement and Allocation Adjustment-Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Approval of Agreements ITC Pedestrian Walk Approval of Out-of-State Travel - Government 3.
- Video Expo 2017 Approval of Contribution to Public Road Improve-4. ment Project - Neighborhood Road Improvement
- Program (NRIP) COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS /
- **REPORTS:** Report: Building Department Monthly Reports -July, August and September 2017
- Report: Oakland County Sheriff's Department 2. Monthly Report - September 2017
- **Communication: Oakland County Animal Shelter** 3. & Pet Adoption Center
- BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Jim Tedder, State 0. **Representative**; District 43
- ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM
 - Respectfully Submitted, Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC **Township Clerk**
- Published: Wednesday, November 15, 2017

STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO: **PROBATE COURT**

COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate Estate of Carl eric Ruppel. Date of birth: 12/23/1963 TO ALL CREDITORS



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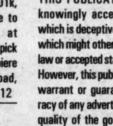
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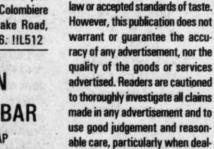
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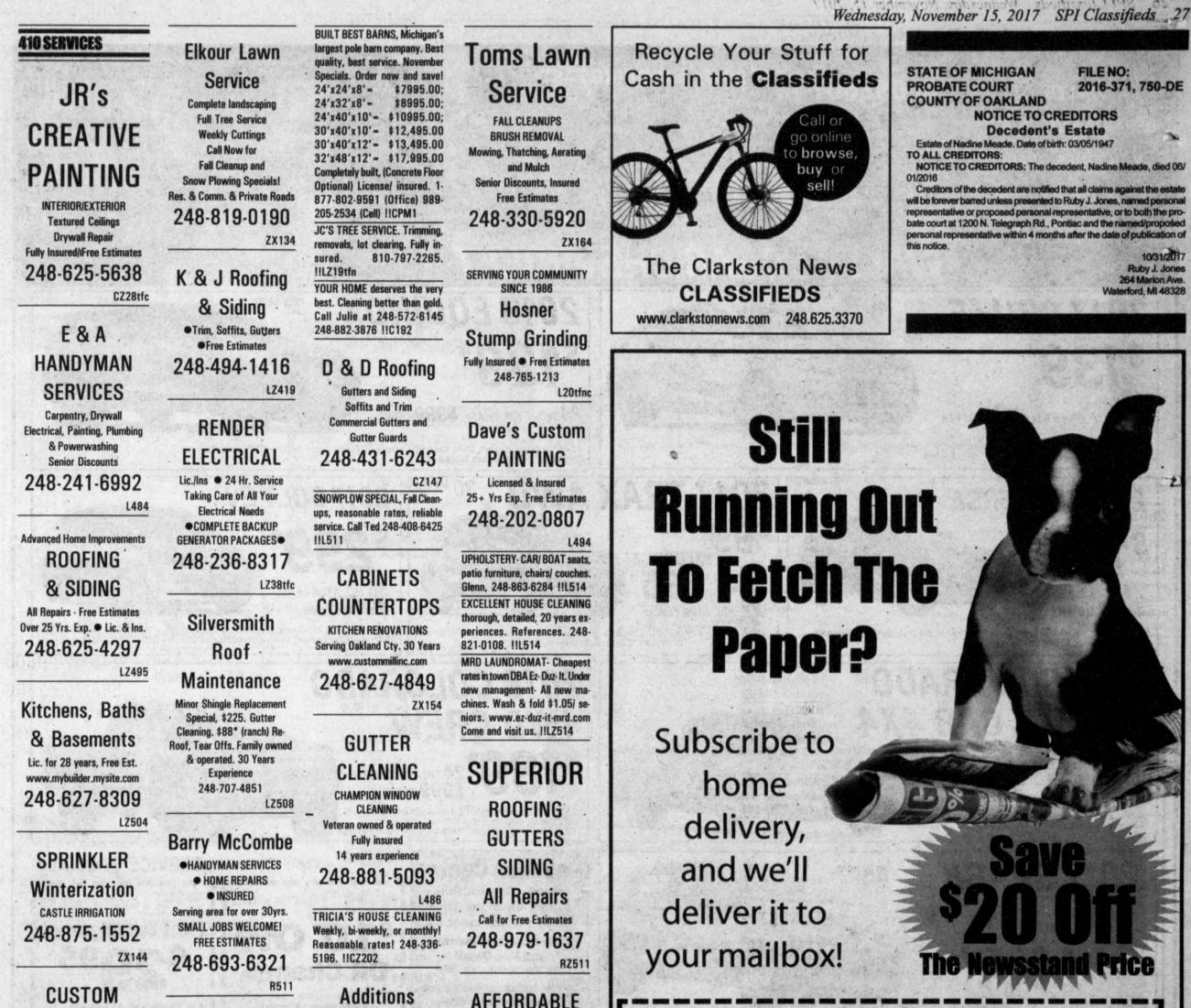
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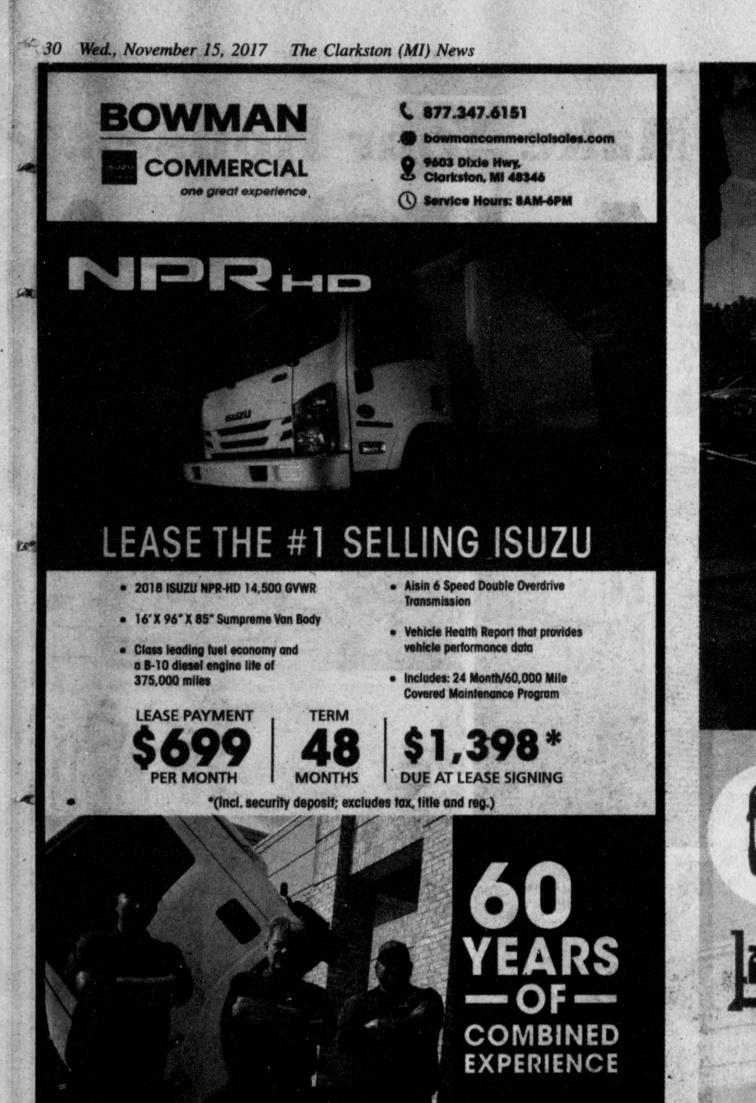


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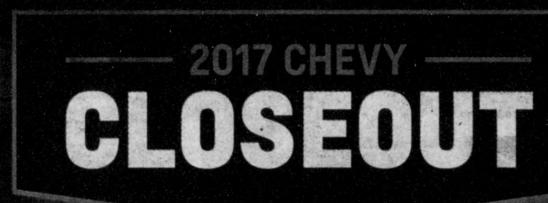
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