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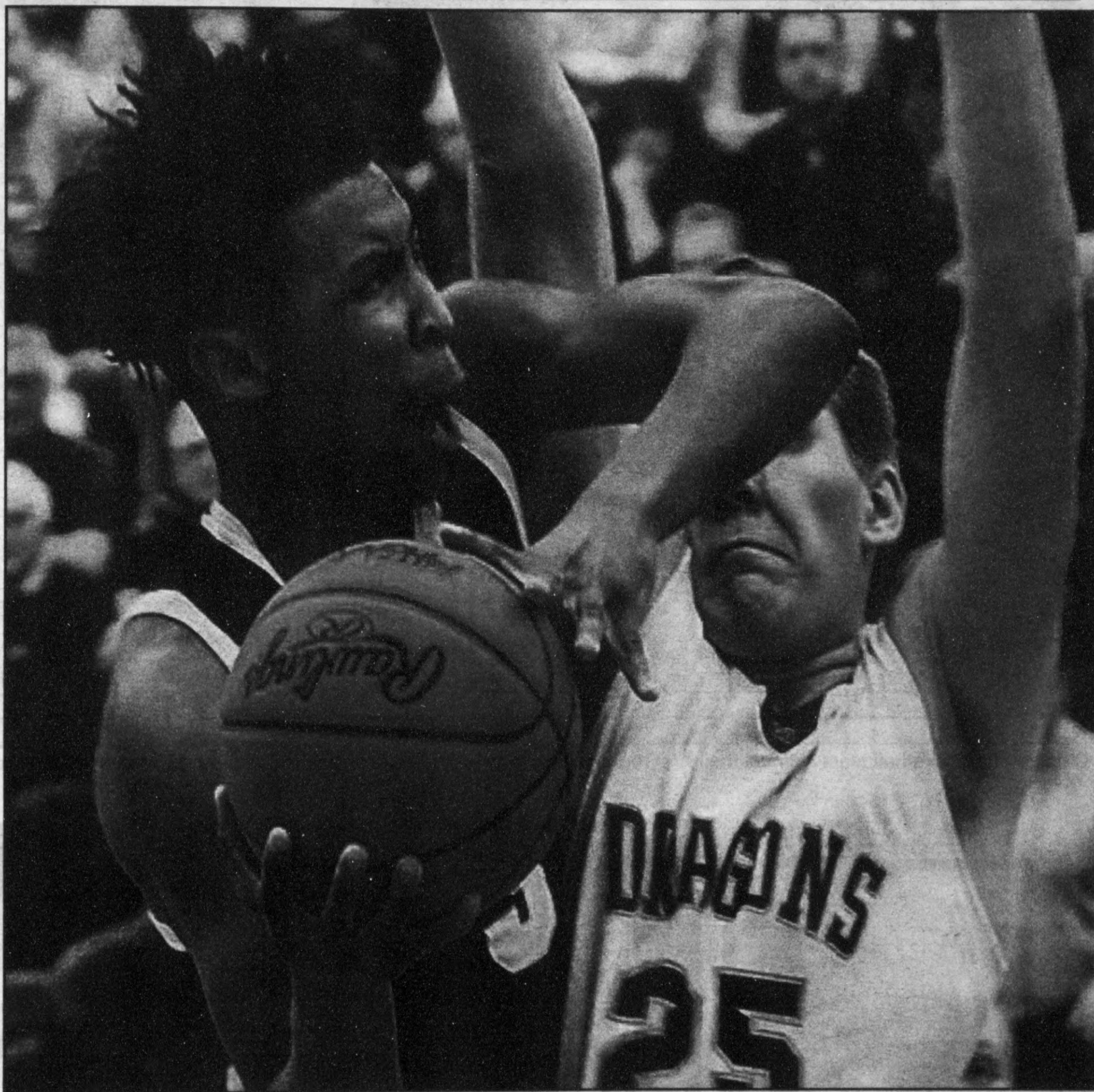
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In this week's edition



Senior CJ Robinson fights through Lake Orion's Nathan Talbot in the district semifinals, March 7. Photo by Larry Wright

## Leaders to the end Seniors secure 40th district title

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Fans at Clarkston High School erupted in cheers as head coach Dan Fife held up the district trophy, Friday night.

The Wolves defeated Oxford, 77-35, for their 40th district win.

"When we're shooting like that, it's an easy coaching job," said Fife, long-time head coach of the boys varsity basketball team. "Defensively we were pretty good, too. It was a good night for Clarkston Basketball."

The coaches played all 11 of their seniors, most of whom scored including Max Anderson who had five points with a basket and a crowd-pleasing field goal, and Tristen Mysen with a dunk in the last 25 seconds.

"It was great getting all those guys in and the thing is, it was the seniors' last night on this floor," Fife said. "They had extra incentive. It was nice to see all the seniors play and most of them scored."

Seniors Taylor Currie, CJ Robinson, and Chase Wasilk were on fire from the start, scoring six points within the first 90 seconds, to Oxford's two points.

After Oxford's Nolan Harding scored on a field goal with 3:51 left in the first stanza, Currie scored two points and both Robinson and senior Foster Loyer hit a pair of 3-points to put the score, 20-8.

Currie closed the quarter with four more

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**REGIONAL CHAMPS:** The Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball team claimed their first regional title in 13 years, last Thursday. See page 14 for story and more pictures. Photo by Larry Wright

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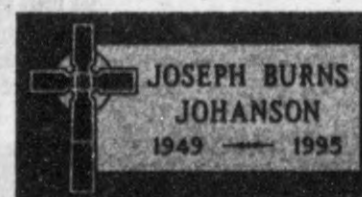
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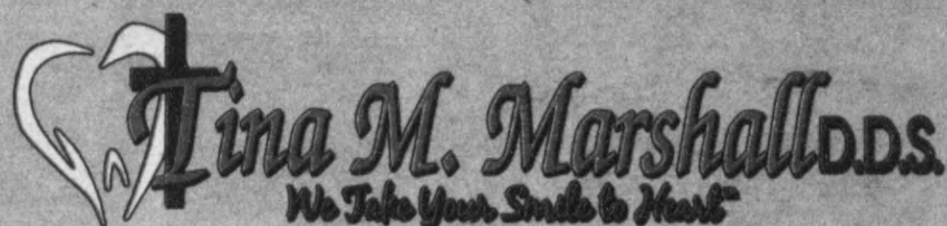


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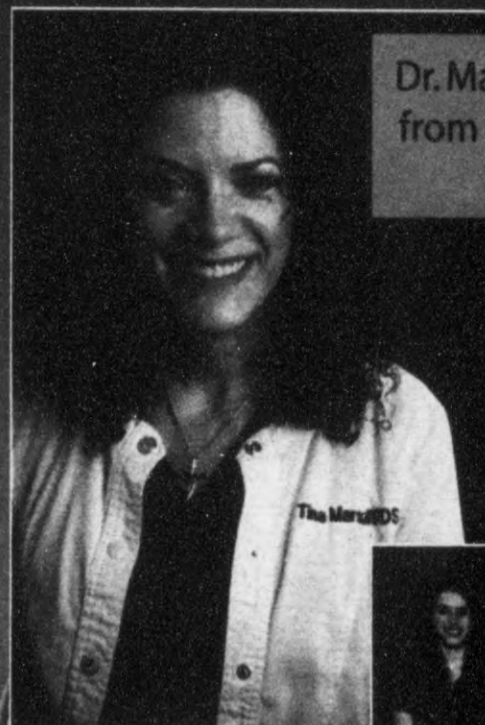
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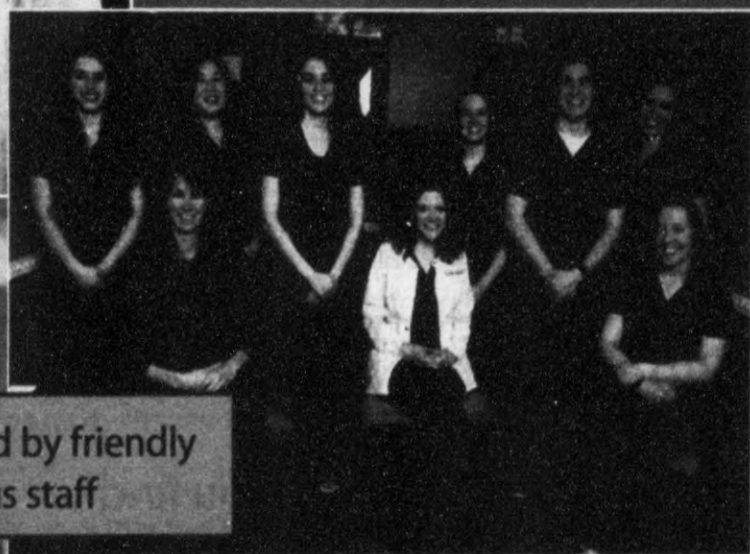
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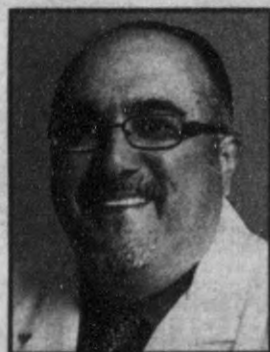
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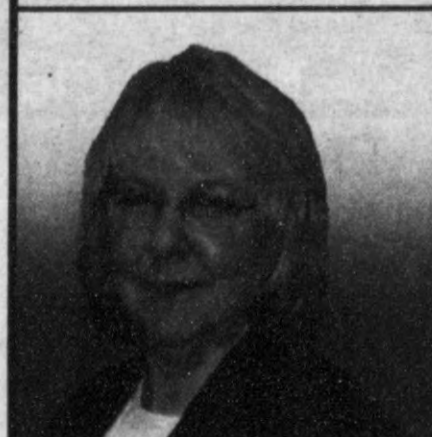
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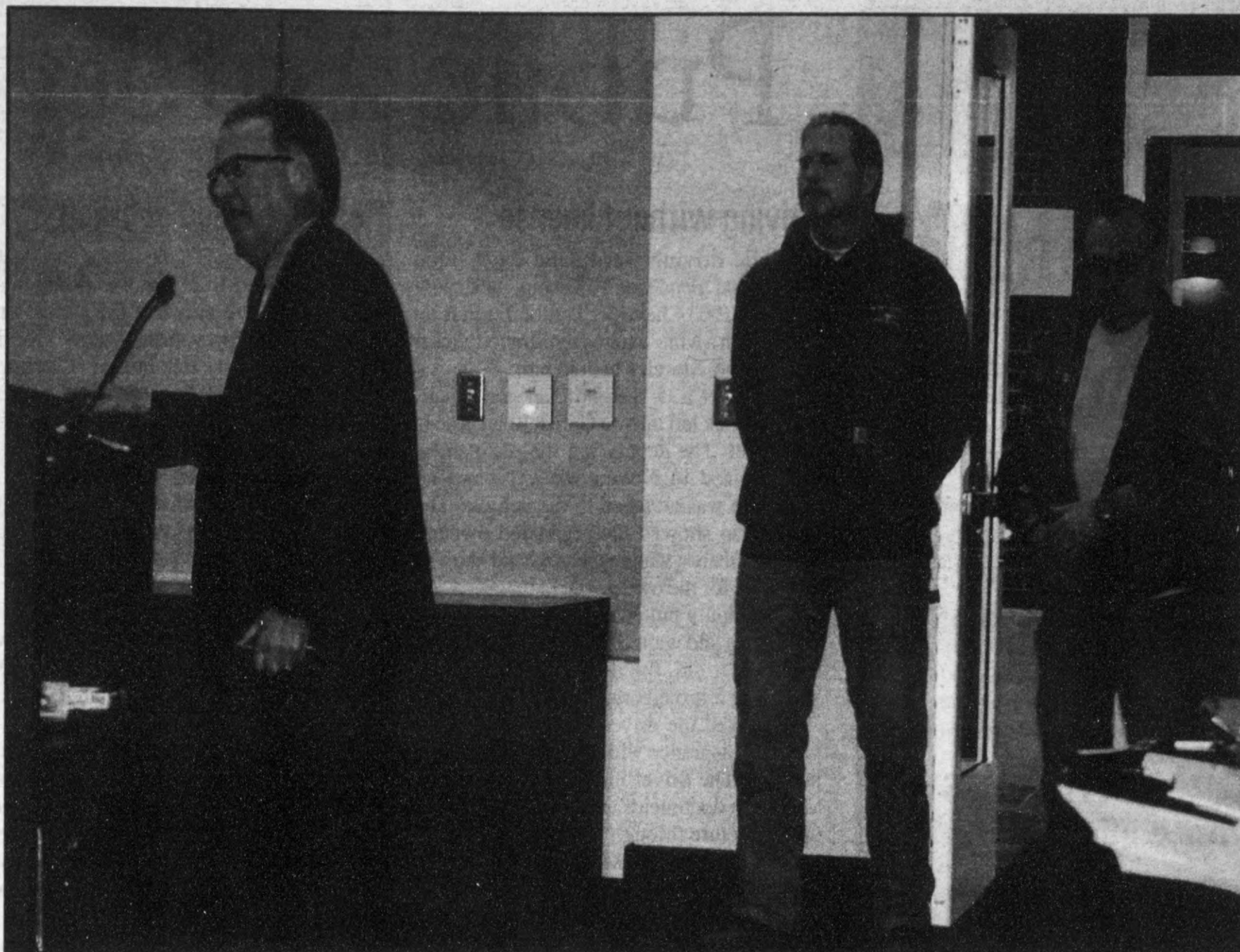
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## Elementary programs nip bullying in the bud, principal says

**BY BRENDA DOMINICK**  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

With school safety in the news lately, new programs aim at the heart of the problem, said Jodi Yeloushan, principal of Pine Knob Elementary School.

"I know right now bullying is a term out there people are really concerned about," said Yeloushan at the Feb. 26 Clarkston Board of Education meeting. "I feel that through our conversations, we are able to grab a hold of that. Words have multiple definitions, and in my mind, I never want to make light of how a child or a parent feels."

The district's Whole Child philosophy includes the Clarkston Safe School program. Pine Knob Elementary programs include Leader in Me and the new Second Steps program, she said.

"I have to say that this year for me has been much more positive, a lot of different interactions, and I think that's because of the different tools that have been given to us in the schools," she said. "At Pine Knob, although the Leader in Me journey has been wonderful and we've really worked at the

seven habits and teaching students about leadership, I felt that there was a piece missing."

She approached Interim Superintendent Shawn Ryan and Stacy Puzio, administrator of Student Growth and Well-being, about trying Second Steps.

"I felt Leader in Me is a framework, but sometimes students aren't understanding all the intricate pieces of the framework," Yeloushan said. "So, sometimes in order to hold the house together, you need some glue and nails, and I felt Second Steps was that piece."

School staff integrated Second Steps into Leader in Me, with lessons and activities on vocabulary, empathy, and deeper understanding of the Seven Habits, the principal said.

In her school addresses, she stresses the importance of students working together as a group, using examples such as recent snowfalls.

"Even when we build a fort, somebody can help build it to be better," Yeloushan said.

Fifth-grade students also participate in school broadcasts, talking about what they learn and understand about Second Steps.

Asked what they think their principal is feeling when talking about snow, responses included, "She sounds like she's annoyed because she has said this before," "She seems hurt because we're not listening," and "She seems frustrated."

Yeloushan has already seen improvements, with students helping each other in the hallways and with their feelings.

She said it's a learning opportunity rather than a consequence. PKE will be implementing these conversations and strategies of Leadership with Second Steps into higher grade levels to make changes.

"I'm a mom of four, they've had many different experiences and opportunities. Some have been positive and some will break your heart, and you work through it," she said. "The small amount of time that we take each week is building upon one another and helping each other. I'm really encouraged that we're going to continue to see great things from our students."

## Briefly <sup>In</sup> C-town

### School job fair

Clarkston Community Schools is hosting a district job fair to hire for transportation and nutrition department positions on March 26 from 9 a.m.-noon at the Central Administration Office Board Room, 6389 Clarkston Road.

Candidates may also call John Lucido, executive director of Human Resources, at 248-623-5419 or visit the HR page at [www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/hr](http://www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/hr).

### Oratorical contest

Clarkston Area Optimist Club's annual Oratorical Contest is open to students residing in the Clarkston Community Schools boundaries and in middle school through high school, as long as they had not yet turned 18 years old by Oct. 1, 2017.

Filled out applications with copy of proof of age must be mailed to the address on the flyer and post marked no later than Friday, March 16.

The application can be found at [www.optimist.org](http://www.optimist.org). Filled-out applications with copy of proof of age must be mailed to the address on the flyer and post marked no later than Friday, March 16th.

The Oratorical Contest will be on Thursday, March 22, at Clarkston Junior High School at 6 p.m. A copy of the speech must be provided either before or after the speech is made.

Prizes of \$200, \$100, and \$50 will be awarded to the top three winning entrants. The winner will move on to the next level of competition. The winner at the International level has the possibility to potentially earn \$22,500 in cash or scholarships.

### Road funding bill

The Michigan Senate approved a bill allocating \$175 million for roads throughout the state, which will now head to the state House for concurrence before going to the governor for his signature.

"This money allows us to strengthen our commitment to better roads this year, instead of waiting," said Majority Floor Leader Mike Kowall.

Gov. Rick Snyder's recent budget proposal allocates the \$175 million for the fiscal year 2019 budget instead of this year's budget, fiscal year 2018. House Bill 4321 moves the funding up to this year.

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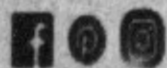
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The driver, a 35-year-old Clarkston female, made a quick left turn on Gulick Road, a dead end street. The deputy ran the plate and it had expired in November 2017 and no insurance was attached to the vehicle. The check also showed the registered owner's driver's license was suspended and showed a warrant for the owner.

The deputy pulled over onto Cambridge Commons and waited for the car to drive by, and after it did, the deputy made a traffic stop once it turned onto Cramlane Drive.

He asked the driver for her license and proof of insurance which she was unable to provide. The driver identified herself with tax return documents and the deputy pulled up her picture through the system to verify.

The driver was issued an appearance certificate for driving without a license, failing to comply with judgement, expired plates, and no proof of insurance. Her vehicle was impounded to Byers.

## Warrant arrest

While investigating a private property incident, the deputy made contact with a 40-year-old Clarkston male who said he observed the damage, on March 2, 8:59 a.m. on the 5000 block of Lancaster Hills Drive.

The deputy asked for his identification and conducted a standard records check which came back with an outstanding warrant out 52-2 District Court for failure to appear for driving without a valid driver's license. He was placed under arrest for the listed warrant and was transported to 52-2 for arraignment.

## Resident killed in crash

Carolyn Perry of Clarkston, 81, was killed when the pickup truck she was riding in ran off the road and struck a tree, 8:25 a.m., March 5, on I-95 in Volusia County, Florida.

The driver, Jerry Hershman of Clarkston, 77, was treated at Halifax Medical Center for minor injuries. Both were wearing seatbelts and alcohol was not involved, according to Florida Highway Patrol.

Perry died at the scene. A small dog also died in the crash. The crash remains under investigation.

## Eat and run

Deputies were on the search for two suspects after a dine and dash on the 6000 block of Dixie Highway on March 7, 10:07 p.m.

The waitress waited on a 21-year-old Ortonville female and a 21-year-old Holly male, for the woman's birthday. The suspects were celebrating and they ordered two beers, four shots, one pizza and breadsticks for a total of \$52.43. She observed them leave without paying and with no intention of paying. She saw them leave in an old, white Ford pickup with a rusted license plate but was unable to read the license plate. She was able to provide a picture of what the vehicle looked like.

Another employee saw the suspects start arguing and the female slapped the man three times and was yelling at him. He went outside and the female remained inside. When he came back in the female met him by the front door where the argument continued and they left the restaurant. A third employee was able to provide the suspects' names and a picture.

The deputies were able to find the suspects on LEIN and both were sent tickets for fraudulent procurement of food/lodging.

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## Student walkout OK if peaceful

Students across the country planned a 17-minute walkout, March 14, in honor of the 17 students and teachers who lost their lives in the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Florida last month.

Clarkston students planning to participate won't be disciplined for peacefully assembling on school grounds, said Clarkston Interim Superintendent Shawn Ryan in a letter to parents.

"As a district, we commend students who stand up for causes they believe in, and we support their right to free speech," Ryan said. "We respect that many students

will want to remain in class during this time, and we expect instruction to continue as usual."

Clarkston High School administration has been working closely with student leaders to help plan a peaceful and safe demonstration for the victims in Florida, he said.

"Since this is a non-school sponsored event organized by students for students only, no outside guests or media will be permitted on campus during this time," Ryan said. No organized events are planned for elementary school students, he said.



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"Good to see you!"

I overheard the man's enthusiastic greeting, as his voice boomed through the halls of our Central Administration building.

"Good to be seen!" came the response, with just as much gusto. This unconventional exchange gave me pause, and a smile. It is good to see and be seen.

Today, 7,724 students entered Clarkston classrooms with their own unique stories, backgrounds, talents, trials, and gifts. Though they are all very different people; they share the common human desire to be a part of something. They want to see and be seen. They want to know and be known. They expect this, and they deserve it.

### Words from the Sup't



Shawn Ryan

As I visit our 12 buildings throughout the district, I often have the opportunity to witness these connections happening. Last Thursday, I was at Andersonville Elementary to share in March Reading Month activities with the students.

Students from Rachel Vickers' Clarkston High School leadership class were also there, engaging with the students through reading and interactive conference activities.

For those of you who think our youngest students are impressed by a visit from the superintendent, I am here to tell you their reactions to my presence on campus pales in comparison to the sheer glee that can be felt when real teenagers from CHS drop by! In their eyes, our high school students are heroes to look up to, and role models for who they want to become.

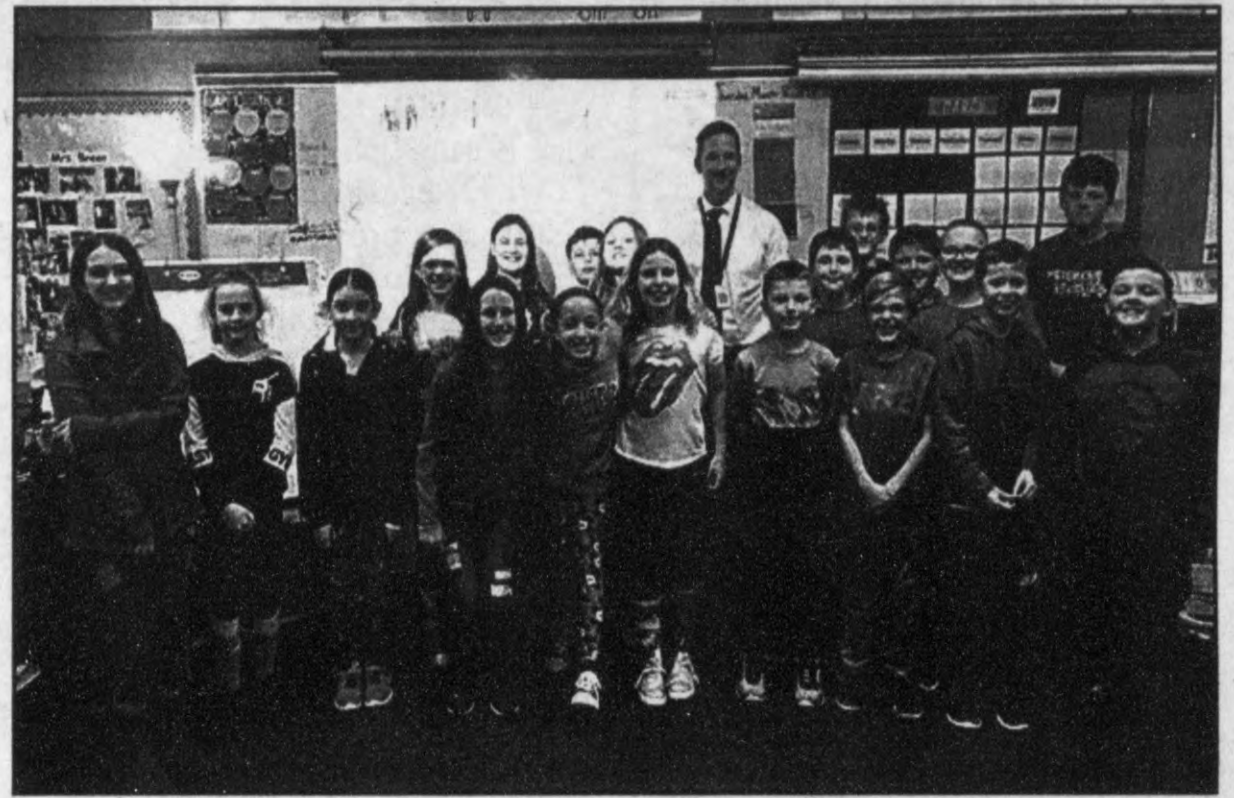
We see this all the time in Clarkston, like when we bus starry-eyed fifth graders to the high school to watch a band or choir concert, or when our youngest Wolves fans get the chance to meet the state championship football or basketball players (and get their autographs)! Our little ones aspire to be a part of something themselves, and they see that in Clarkston, anything is possible.

How are Rachel Vickers' leadership students able to go out into our schools and the community and make real and lasting connections? *Because Mrs. Vickers has made real and lasting connections with them first.*

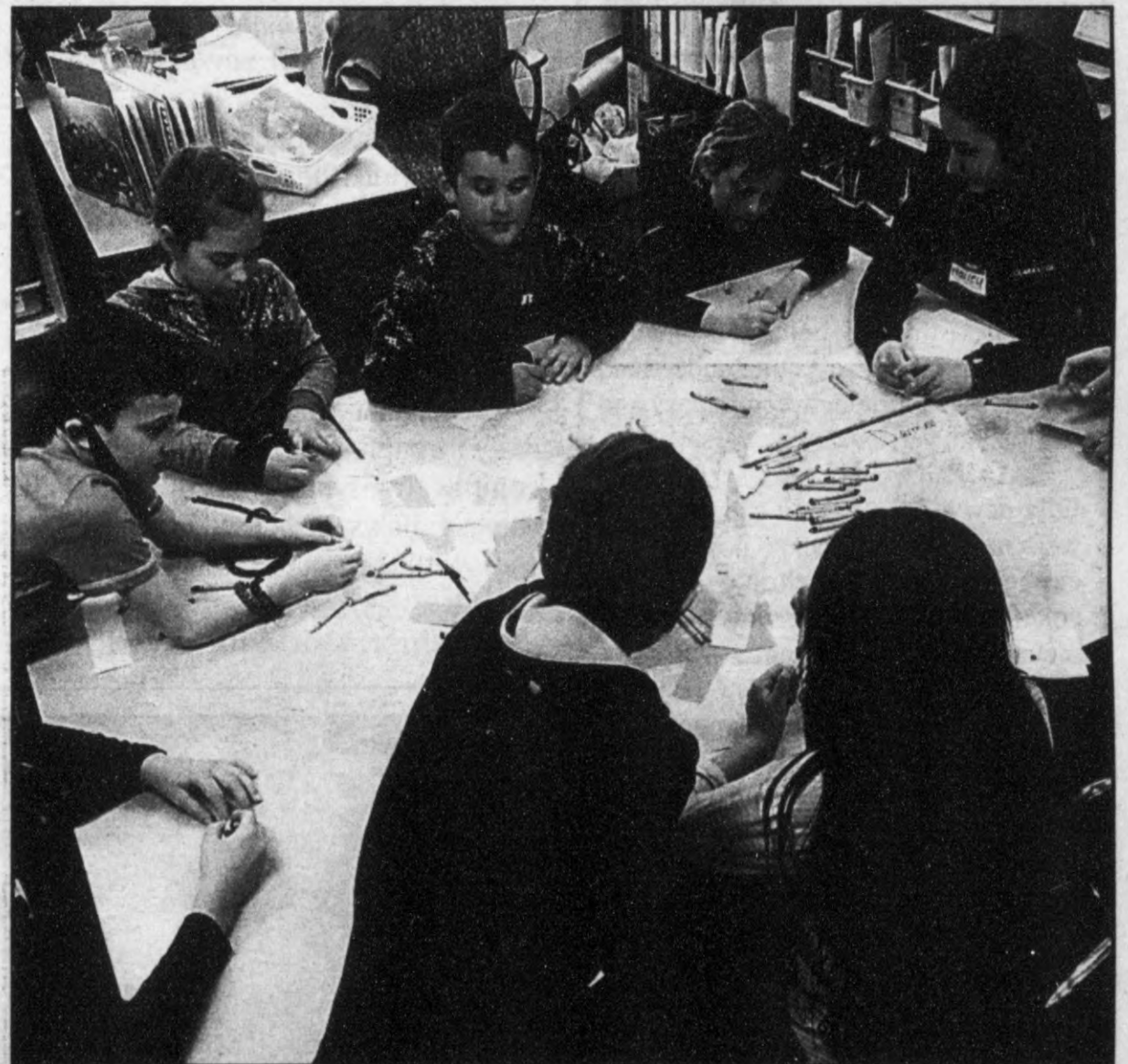
Everyday, she takes the time to listen to her students and hear their ideas. She is invested in knowing them, and knowing what matters to them. A quick scroll through her Twitter feed (which is followed by many students), yields empowering messages like:

"Realizing your self worth is sometimes the most difficult of tasks. But once you do... it's life changing."

And, "Don't be so hard on yourself. Dealing with life, everyday stuff and



Andersonville Elementary students and Interim Superintendent Shawn Ryan.



Andersonville and Clarkston High School Leadership students work on reading activities. Photos provided

emotions can be tough. You're a brave soul on a mission. You got this."

No doubt, students across the nation today find themselves grappling with some really tough challenges. Clarkston is no different.

But I have hope for our kids, yours and my own. Not only do they have teachers like Rachel Vickers, who have made it their mission to make sure no student passes through our halls without being seen, known, and understood, they also have YOU.

Clarkston is a community that cares

deeply for its children. Together we celebrate their successes, wring our hands over their pain and struggles, and share their stories as they grow up, whether they stay in Clarkston or move away.

We are a community where people look after one another, and meet each other's eyes to offer a smile when we pass on the street. (And if you happen to see me out and about, I really hope you say hello. *It's good to see you.*)

By Shawn Ryan, Interim Superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools



## Brenda's Beat

A column by Brenda Dominick

### Parents should raise kids

So, I have to say I feel pretty darn proud of my kids; and I've been especially impressed with the way they are handling the vulnerable and unpredictable journey of middle school.

Although I consider myself to be an open-minded, modern parent of today's digital age who appreciates the advantages of technology, I also see the dangerous drawbacks of it. There has always been the pressure from friends, as well as influences and effects of the media. But additionally, they now have to deal with the exhausting amounts of vulgarity and violence in popular video games and movies.



That leads me to my main point – are the overwhelming special effects, guns ablazin, and derogatory language in these games and movies ultimately creating more aggressive kids?

I believe my kids, both 11, are mature for their age, but can't quite understand the full distinction between fantasy and reality...not yet.

As Dr. Phil would say, kids don't really fully develop their brain capacity until well after adolescence, so how can we expect them to psychologically or emotionally handle these films with adult scenarios or the video games with all of it's sophistication and violent themes?

I don't believe there is much of a "Parental guidance" anymore – parents are being more permissive with their kids. My son wanted to play a game called Fort Nite which, as defined, is a game about building skills and destructible environments combined with intense PvP combat. The last one standing wins. Huh? Horrible. Whatever happened to Pac-Man and Mario?

As far as movies, I am kind of 'middle-of-the-road.' I think middle schoolers watching cartoon movies (or cartoon tv shows for that matter), actually make them behave more immature and regressive.

On the other hand, as I was saying, the more mature movies are too aggressive. So, where is the happy medium? Well, my kids love "High School Musical," and even realistic films like "Miracles from Heaven."

Yes, kids need to be kids, but it's up to us parents to help prepare them and instill good values in them.

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PCPs can often detect warning signs before serious health issues arise and treat these issues before they become critical.

This type of preventative medical care helps reduce cost and limits the need for Emergency Room visits.

As a primary care physician, I live this daily through my patients. I can foresee complications based on how well the patient follows medical advice and if they stick with their care for as long as they should.

The first visit with a PCP is an

opportunity to discuss medical history, concerns, and approaches to wellness.

This is a nice way to start a long-term, trustworthy relationship and reduces the stress of a visit.

Sometimes I see myself acting as my patients' social worker, psychologist, and health care financial advisor.

### Guest viewpoint



Wafa Abbud, MD

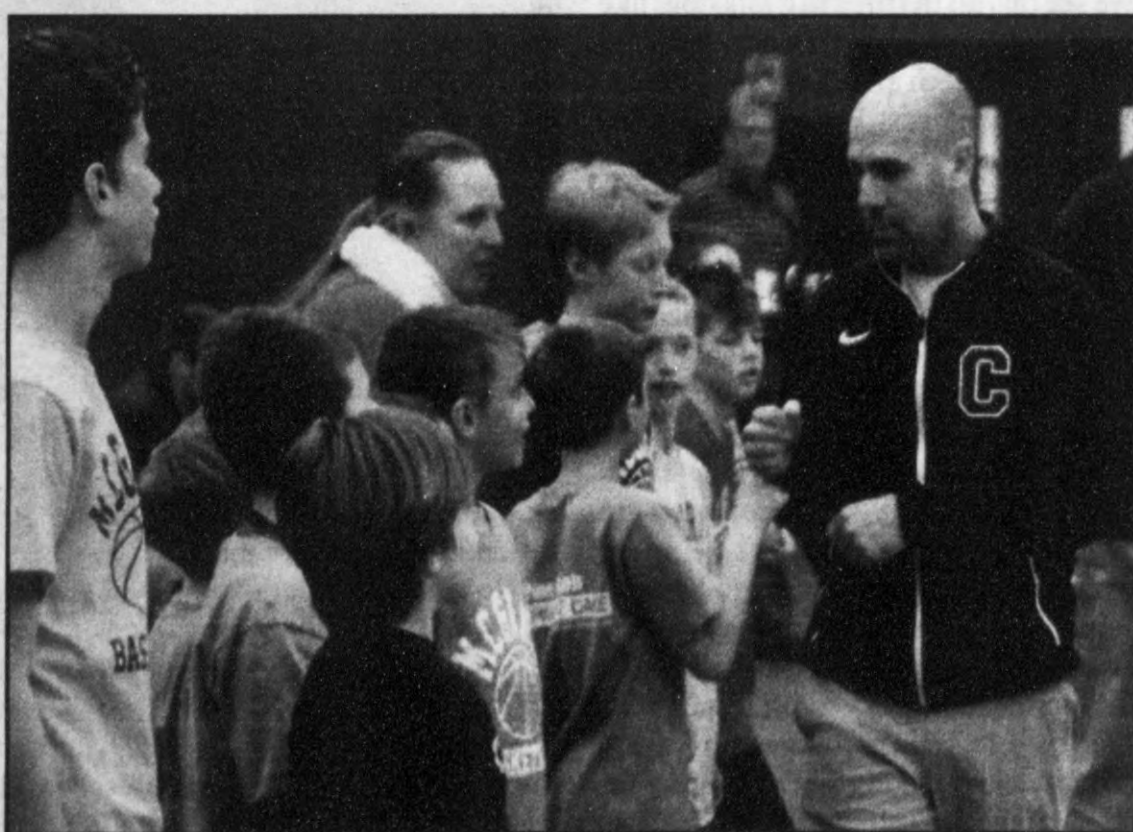
For example, on many occasions, I help find affordable medication options, in-network treatments with lower co-pays, and convenient, extended care facilities for my patients.

At the end of the day, time is very valuable and it is getting harder and harder for many people to find someone to sit down and give them all the time they need, to understand their needs and concerns and deliver accordingly.

In my opinion, you can definitely establish this kind of care through your primary care doctor.

I am honored to hold this responsibility and serve as a partner in my patients' health care.

Wafa Abbud, MD, is an Internal Medicine Physician with McLaren Medical Group



Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach Tim Wasilk fist pumps players from the McGrath League, March 1. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 2003

**"Schools cut \$900,000"** As part of their three-year spending reduction plan, the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education approved Phase I of their budget reduction for the 2004 fiscal year.

**"\$12 million road project debated"** Who should pay for the upgrading of Sashabaw from a two-lane road into a four lane boulevard was the debate at the Independence Township Board of Trustees meeting before a crowded room at the library.

**"Richardson's volleyball coaching career comes to end"** After 29 years, the volleyball coaching career for Gordie Richardson came to an end as the girls lost in the regional game against Mason. "I told them I was pleased the last team I coached was the one that worked so hard and came together as the season went on."

### 25 years ago - 1993

**"Siren to sound again, thanks to donation"** It wouldn't be long before citizens to hear a familiar whine of the noon siren in downtown Clarkston. The Independence Township Board of Trustees agreed to donate the aging siren to the Clarkston Community Historical Society.

**"Residents vent frustration over roads, snow"** Eight residents from Thendara Park shared their concerns to the Independence Township board about cracked pavement throughout the development and a large eroded area along Algonquin Road

**"Local boxer to fight Olympic champion"** After four years of turning professional in boxing, Clarkston native Mike Grable was given his shot of glory. Grable was scheduled to take on 1992 Olympic gold medalist Oscar de La Hoya in New York. The fight was scheduled for April 6 and was live on the USA Cable Network.

### 50 years ago - 1968

**"Voters split ballots to elect trustee"** Over half of the eligible voters in Clarkston went to the polls and chose Donald Cooper, Harry Fahrner and Jack Hagen as trustees for two year terms.

**"Andersonville Cub Scouts have Blue and Gold Banquet"** Some 100 parents and boys attended the Blue and Gold Banquet of Andersonville Cub Scout Pack 133 at Clarkston Junior High School.

**"All league skier"** Tracy Tuson, a Clarkston High School senior, was named to the first team in All-League selections in the Mount Holly Ski League.





**VICTORY ON THE COURT:** Trophy in hand, the Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball team celebrates their 40th district title in the program's history after defeating Lake Orion and Oxford last week. *Photo by Wendi Reardon Price*

## Let the sun shine for Sunshine Week

This week in Michigan is Sunshine Week. Sunshine Week, if you are in the know, is a week to shed light into the dark recesses of government, local, state and national. It is to promote transparency in government.

The idea is pretty simple: The more the public knows, the more they can and will take part in their city, town, state, et al operations. They will make better informed decisions; help their elected and appointed officials make better decisions -- in general have a better run community.

It's interesting, every week I read posts on the fake news social media website (Facebook) when locals are "surprised" their local government were doing or voted on something -- yet they don't read their local newspaper. All local governments, by law, post Public Notices in our pages. Nearly every week we run 'em.

They are there to read. I guess what I am trying to say, there is no reason to be surprised, folks just need to make an effort to stay informed.

I am not sorry if I offended you -- you who does not make an effort to stay informed and complains loudly when things happen. Remember, I am an emotional idgit, who doesn't care what others feel.

If you want to know what is going on with your community, read your community newspaper, get involved, heck, attend local governmental meetings. AND, when you hear or watch something that doesn't

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Don Rush**

make sense, ask questions. If your questions are not answered sufficiently, you can also put requests into the government for documentation. These requests are made possible by the Michigan Freedom of Information Act of 1976.

According to this act, any person (other than incarcerated felons) can request public records. A person who asks for access to public records is not required to justify his or her request. A person can use the information any way they please. The Michigan Freedom of Information Act allows 5 days for any response to record requests. The government folks can ask for an extension.

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We are and will continue to be this town's advocate of local business. Again, thank you for your support and please contact me with ideas or concerns!

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Back to our readers -- remember, local businesses pay local taxes, and support your kids', the Amazon's of the world do not.



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## MORTGAGE



Jason Nolan  
Senior Loan Officer



**Q.** I heard mortgage rates jumped up. What happened?

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Curt Carson

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Walt Renn

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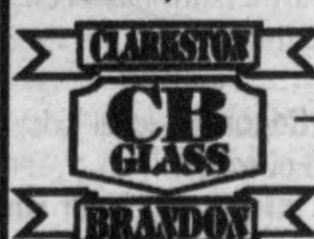
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# Clarkston's Sporting News

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## Regional finals this week

*Continued from page 1*

points giving the Wolves a 12-point lead, 26-14.

Loyer opened the second quarter with a pair of field goals. Four more points came from Robinson and Mysen before Oxford scored two of their four points in the stanza with four minutes to go.

The Wolves closed the first half with two more field goals from Loyer in the last 90 seconds for a quarter total of six, putting the score at 48-18. Loyer led with 33 points with nine 3-pointers for the night.

"I think his leg felt better," Fife said. "He was a bit more comfortable."

Currie and Robinson both had 12 points each.

"CJ and Foster are very good shooters," Fife added. "If we can get them good looks then they are going to make most of them when they are shooting that well."

The Wolves opened the playoffs with a 62-50 win over Lake Orion in the district semifinals, March 7.

Clarkston opened with the first five points with baskets from Currie and Wells plus a free throw shot from Robinson. It took the Dragons less than a minute to catch up as they hit the net with a basket and field goal. Wells brought the Wolves

back into the lead but Lake Orion came back with seven more points. The first quarter closed with Orion in the lead, 14-9.

Loyer opened the second stanza with two baskets to close the gap by one point. Robinson broke the tie after catching Lake Orion's pass and heading down the court to score his own basket. The Dragons tied the score with one point from Jack Cummins. It would be the last time. As Loyer, Robinson, Currie and Wasilk combined for 13 points before closing the first half with a 28-19 lead.

Robinson led with 21 points, three assists, five rebounds and two steals. He scored off three 3-pointers. Loyer had 16 points, six of which came from two field goals. He also had six assists and four rebounds as Currie had 15 points, 12 rebounds and four blocks. Wells had eight points and seven rebounds.

During the night, Loyer also became the second player in state history to make 600 free throws in a career with his total of 602.

Clarkston (21-1) played Troy in the regional semifinals on Monday, which was played after press time. The winner moves on to the regional finals on Wednesday at West Bloomfield, 7 p.m. The champion plays in the MHSAA Class A Boys Basketball Quarterfinals on Tuesday at Grand Blanc, 7 p.m.

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



The Clarkston Girls JV Basketball team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

## Undefeated season

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

As the clock on the scoreboard counted down in the Clarkston Girls JV Basketball's last game of the season on Feb. 22, they knew they achieved their goal of going undefeated.

"They had great team chemistry," said Kirstie Arendsen, head coach.

The season began with the girls making individual goals during the first practice and also making team goals which included going undefeated.

"It was awesome at the end of the year to see them achieve their goal," Arendsen said. "It took a lot of individual growth, the growth of the team, and everyone buying into the team goals. It was really cool."

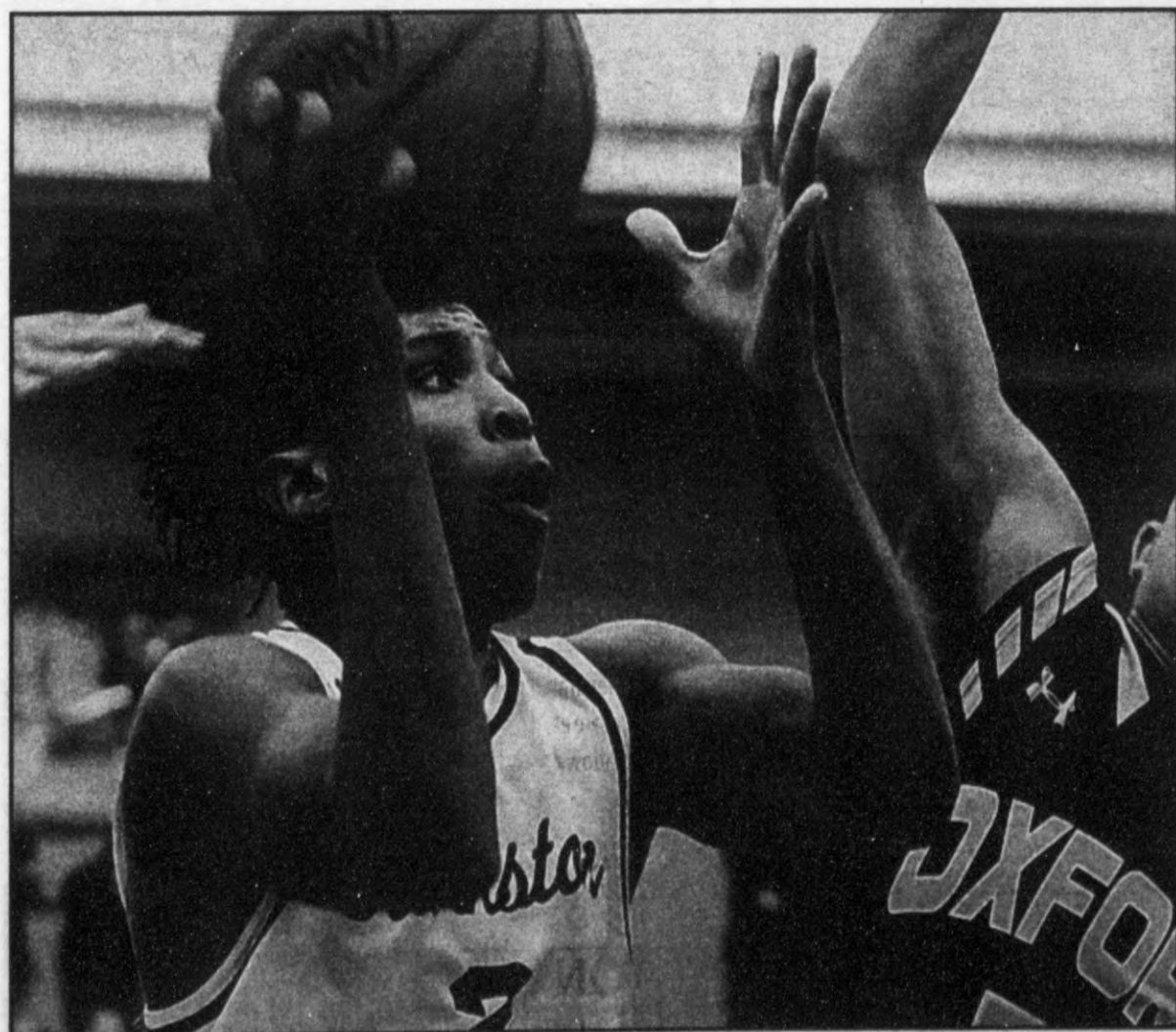
A few of the biggest victories included two wins over Stoney Creek, which the juniors had lost to twice during the previous season. They also beat crosstown rivals Lake Orion twice.

"Some of the girls on my Clarkston team had played AAU with some of the girls from Lake Orion so it was a rivalry game. It

was awesome to beat them twice as well," she added.

The Clarkston Girls JV Basketball team is freshmen Piper Bosart, Lena Eblenkamp, Morgan Hunter, Olivia Toderan; sophomores Sarah Bailey, Riley Schneider, Jen Starnes, Sierra Waitkus; juniors Chelsea Barnes, Hailey Bogar and Olivia McKinney. They were led by Arendsen with Sharise Calhoun and Amanda Gorski, assistant coaches. Team manager is Megan Rusnak.

"We had strong leadership from the captains," Arendsen said. "My assistant coaches were amazing. The underclassmen, specifically the freshmen, really stepped up. They have great fundamentals of the game and it really helped add to the team chemistry. The freshmen played like upperclassmen. It helped us up a lot. Three of the freshmen got pulled up to the varsity squad at the end of the year. It was awesome to see all their hard work to pay off and have an opportunity to learn from the varsity coach and players."



CJ Robinson scores on Oxford in the district finals. Photo by Larry Wright



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Zach Scott points before he takes his shot from half court, making it and winning a prize to Emagine Theatres. Photos by Wendi Reardon Price

## Fans fired up

Joey from the Mojo in the Morning show visited Clarkston High School to pump up the Jungle student cheering section during the Wolves' last home game of the regular season against Hazel Park.

Clarkston was the location for the Channel 95.5 High School Takeover, March 1.



The Jungle, the student fan section, cheers as Zach Scott makes the basket during Channel 95.5's visit.

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# Grapplers take All-State honors

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

With 40 seconds remaining in his last match for the day, junior Jake Billette scored three points on his opponent and for the second time within five months, he was victorious at Ford Field – this time for the Clarkston Varsity Wrestling team.

He finished in third place for All-State honors in the 140-pound weight class at the MHSAA Division 1 Wrestling Individual Finals, held March 2-3.

Billette opened the tournament by defeating Grosse Pointe North's Raymond Hamilton with a 11-0 major decision. He went on to defeat Detroit Catholic Central's Logan Sanom, 9-6. He defeated Macomb Dakota's Tommy Gawlowski, 3-2 before going into the final round. He defeated Grandville's Michael Carrasco for the third place spot, 4-2.

His lone loss was to Walled Lake Central's Nick Freeman, 8-2. He finished the season with a 43-10 record.

Junior Cole Wiegiers (119), junior Mac Hanselman (125), junior Ethan Polick (135), senior Houston Hemingsen (140), and sophomore Jacob Jones (215) went 1-2 for the tournament.

Wiegiers lost to Hartland's Corey Cavanaugh in the first round in a 3-2 decision. He defeated Rockford's Trenton Wachter, 4-3, before losing to Macomb Dakota's Justin Tiburcio, 19-2. He finished his season with a 35-18 record.

Hanselman lost to Detroit Catholic Central's Dominick Lomazzo in the first

round, 12-1. He won his second round against Grand Haven's Cody Miller, 8-7. He finished the tournament with a fall to Grandville's Anthonie Taylor. Hanselman finished his season with a 37-13 record.

Polick lost his first round to Southfield Arts & Technology's Isiah Berry, 6-4. He won the second round against Portage Central's Garrett Stace with a fall. He finished the tournament with a 11-2 loss to Davison's Marc Shaeffer. He finished his season with a 36-17 record.

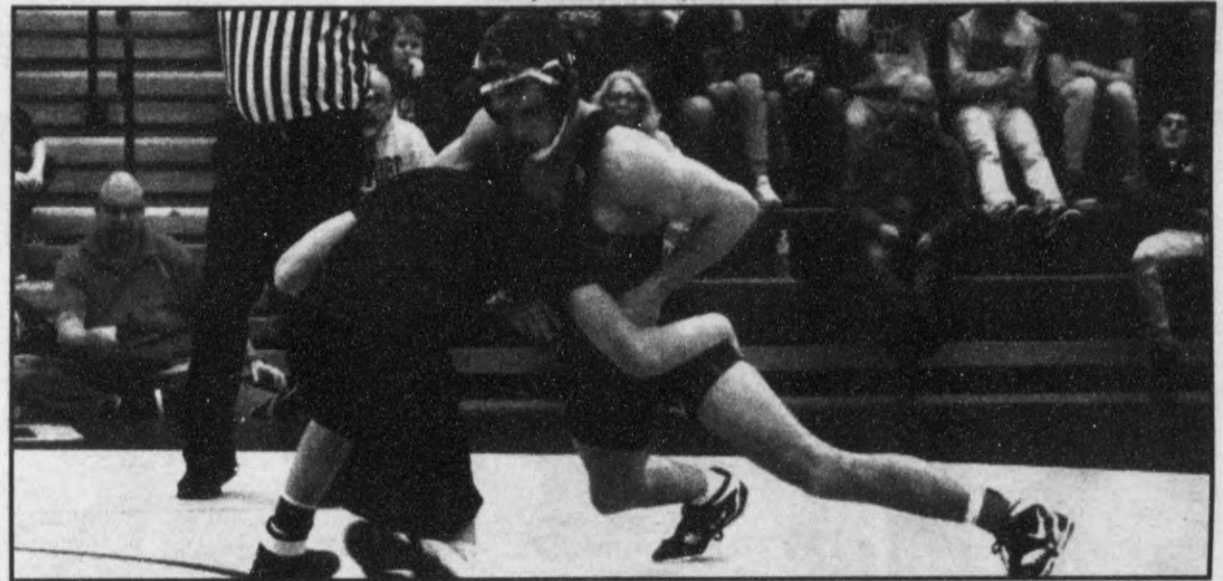
Hemingsen defeated Chippewa Valley's Brandon Badour in the first round, 4-3, before losing to Carrasco, 6-4. He lost to Battle Creek's Lakeview's 2-0. He finished the season with 37-16 record.

Jones lost his first round against Portage Central's Dominick Wilson, 8-0. He won the second round with a 3-2 decision over Walled Lake Central's Connor Merchant. He finished the tournament with a fall to Brighton's Luke Stanton. He finished his season with a 26-19 record.

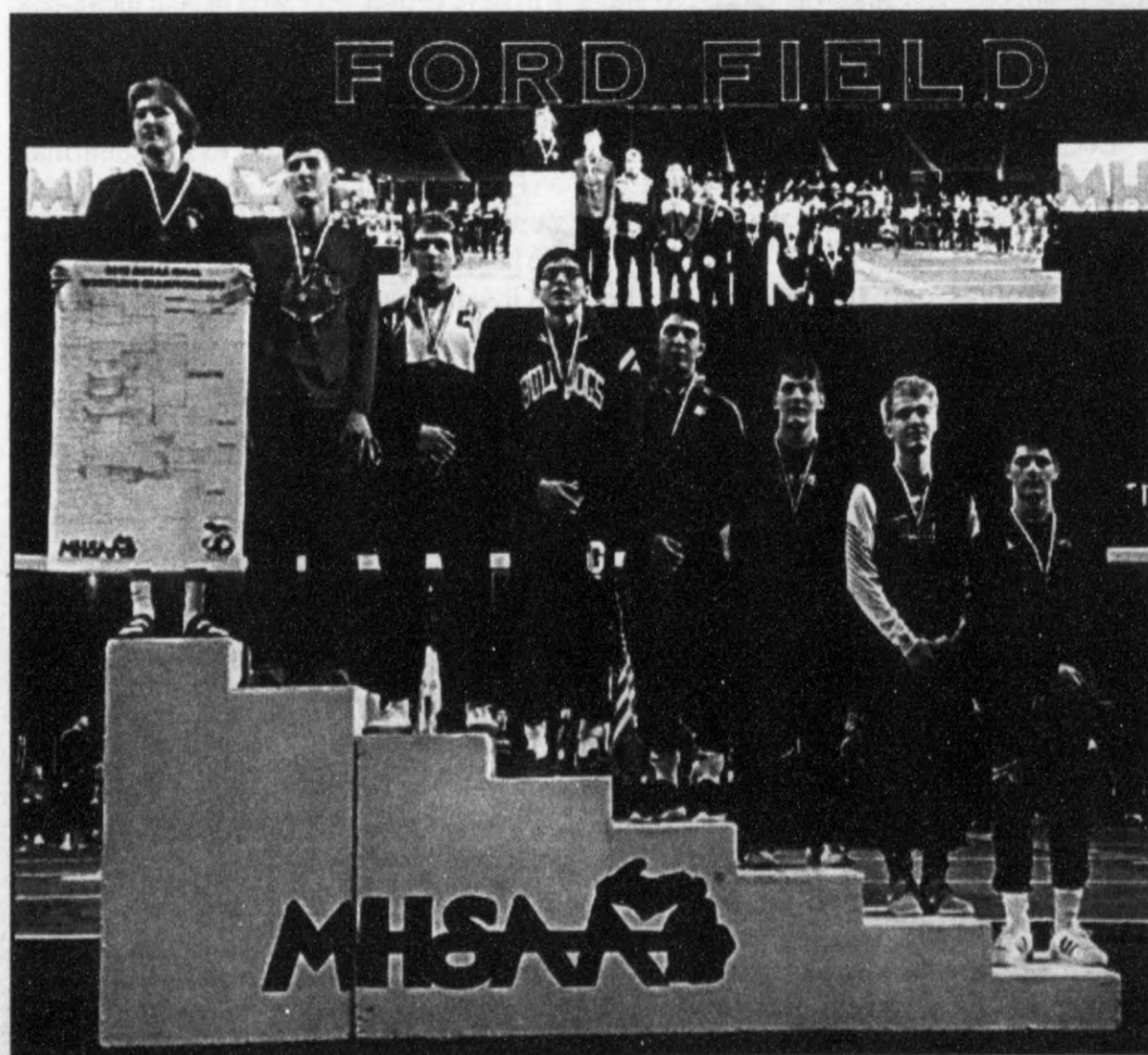
Freshman Rocco Spindler lost to Temperance Bedford's Austin Emerson and Caledon's Alex Overla with an injury. He finished his season with a 24-13 record.

The coaching staff was also successful as Ty Foltz was named Assistant Coach of the Year.

Clarkston Wrestling graduates eight seniors – Hemingsen, Noah Burt (189), Jacob Golab (152), Carter Hoogewerf (152), Manny Millan (160), Kyle Rumbold (189), Hunter Valenzuela (119) and Ian Wilson (171).



Jake Billette works on a win over Oxford, for his 100th victory, Feb. 14. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price



Jake Billette, third from the left, finishes All-State in the 140-pound weight class, March 3. Photo provided

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## Cagers earn spot on Elite Eight

BY WENDIREARDONPRICE

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The seniors walked off of the basketball court at West Bloomfield last Thursday. The MHSAA Class A Girls Basketball Regional final wasn't over but they knew they had joined the Elite Eight and were heading to the quarterfinals.

The 50-33 win over Waterford Kettering for the regional crown was a sweet victory for the Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball as the Captains had knocked them out of districts the last two years.

"We were ready to play," said Christine Rogers, head coach. "We had a good game plan, and the girls came out and made it happen. Kayla Luchenbach and Maddie Beck especially couldn't wait to beat Kettering. They played every minute they had on the floor like they wanted to stomp them into the ground."

The Wolves finished the first half with a 30-18 lead on Kettering, which Luchenbach aided with 15 points during the first two stanzas. They scored ten more points during the third quarter and held their opponents to nine. The Captains fought back and closed the gap to 40-31 with seven minutes left in the game.

Beck scored off a free throw and a field goal and with a basket from senior Molly Nicholson, the girls kept Kettering at bay.

Luchenbach led the team, scoring 23 points with five rebounds, five blocks and went 7-for-8 on the free throw line.

"Kayla had a fantastic game for stats," Rogers added. "Her line was great. No one could stop her. She just decided this was going to be her game and she carried her team. It was fun to watch."

Beck scored 12 points with five rebounds and five steals and Molly Nicholson had 11 points and went 5-for-5 on the free throw line.

The Wolves defeated Marian in the

regional semifinals on March 6, 44-34. Beck led with 21 points, seven rebounds and six steals. Luchenbach scored ten points and five blocks, and Nicholson had nine points, six rebounds and four steals.

"Again we executed our game plan and held a pretty good shooter in Olivia Moore to very few points," Rogers said. "Marian just couldn't handle our pressure. We attacked and used our strength against them."

It's the third regional title for the Clarkston Girls Basketball program. They won it in 1975 and in 2006.

"It feels pretty good especially to beat Kettering who had knocked us out the last two years," Rogers said. "I was very pleased with how they played and the outcome from the beginning. We never had any doubt we were the better team and we could win the regional title."

She added it was great to watch the seniors help the team win the regional title.

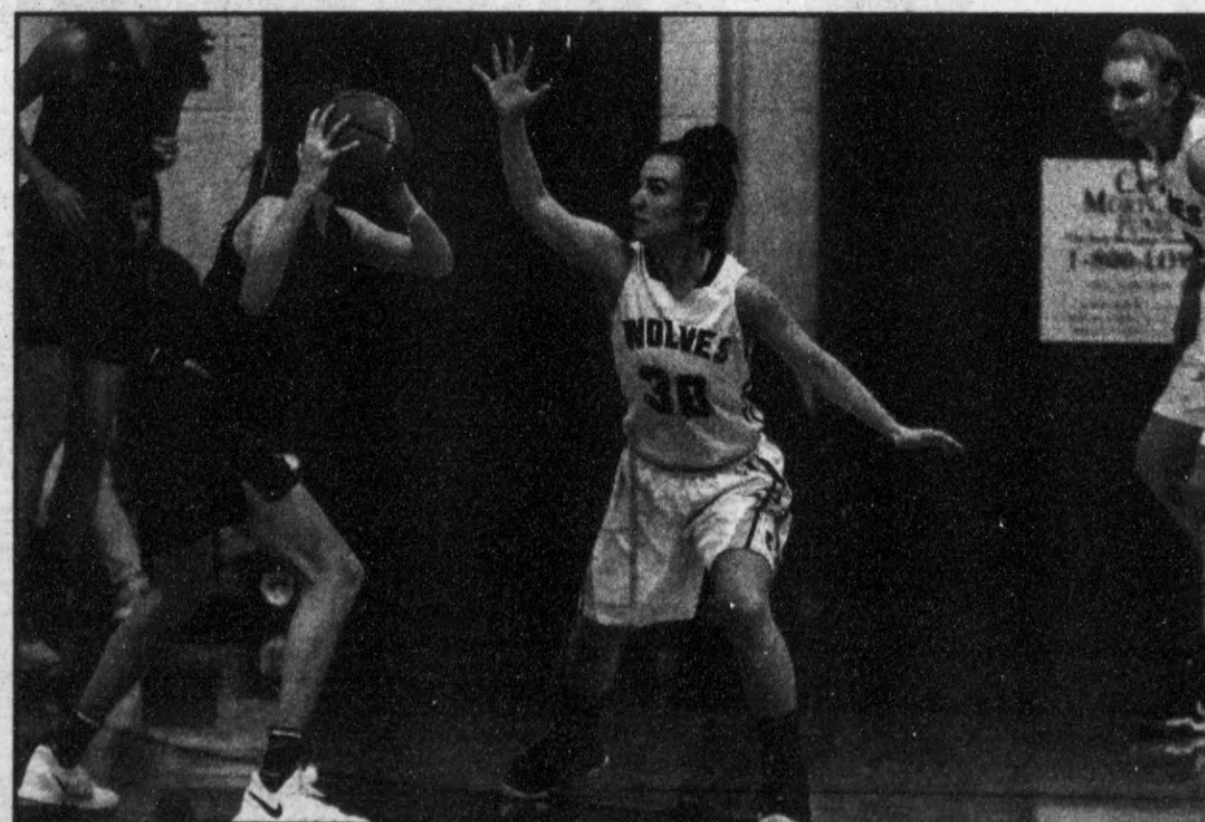
"They are a special group of girls and to see how bad they want it really sets the tone for the future of this program because they are demanding," she said. "We have success by how they play. It's just going to teach the underclassmen that this is how we play and this is what we do every year."

The Wolves (20-4) played Saginaw Heritage on Tuesday in the quarterfinals, occurring after time of press.

Rogers added the momentum will help the team especially with confidence.

"Saginaw is a very good team, and we will have to play very well to beat them," she said. "The girls realize when we are playing well and taking care of the ball and attacking the basket few teams can stop us."

The winner moves on to the semifinals on Friday at 12 p.m. The state championship game is on Saturday at 12:15 p.m. Both games are held at Van Noord Arena, Calvin College in Grand Rapids.



Kiana Ayotte blocks a pass.

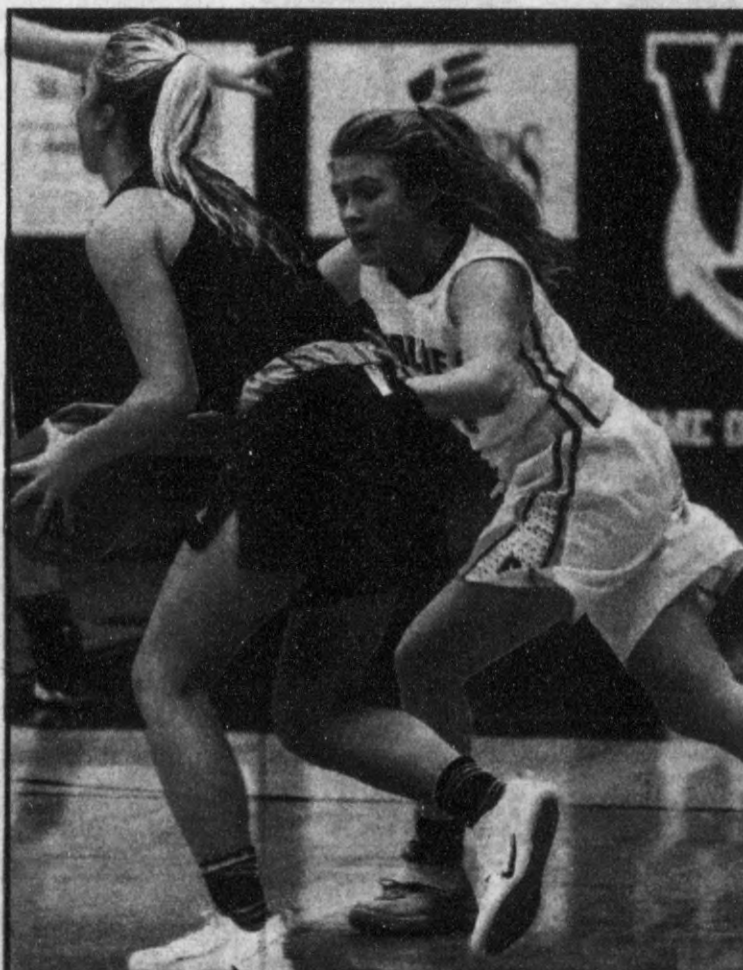




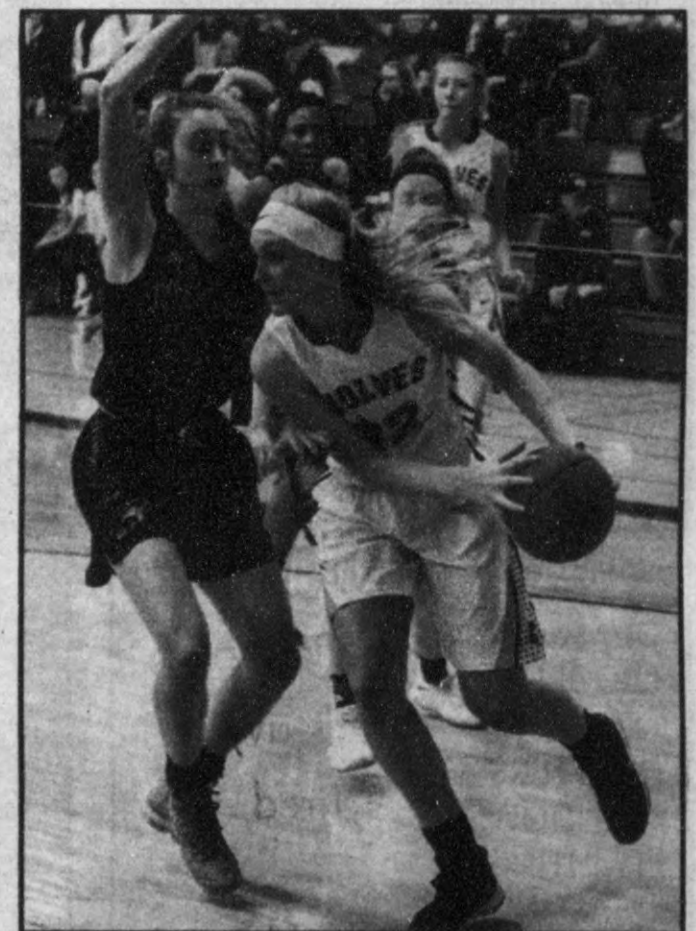
Maddie Beck



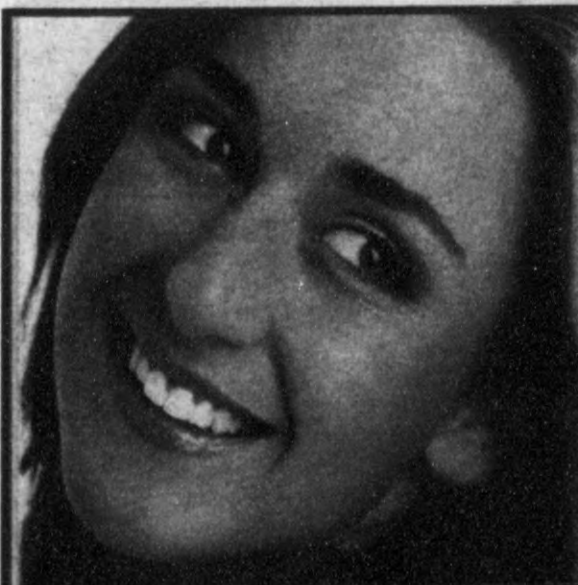
Taylor Heaton uses fierce defense against Marian.



Kaelyn Kaul closes in on Marian.



Kayla Luchenbach dodges Marian's defense.



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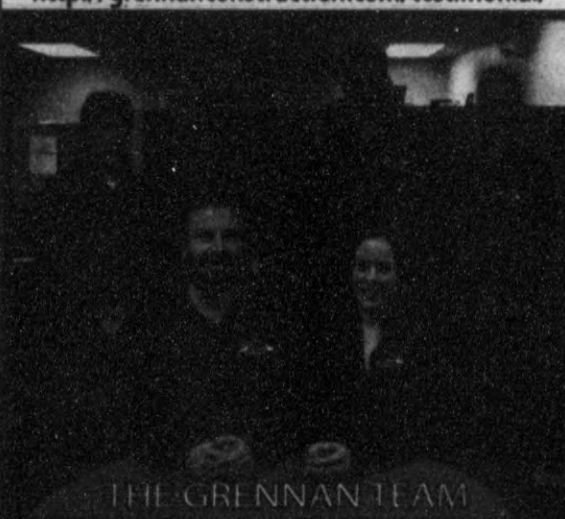
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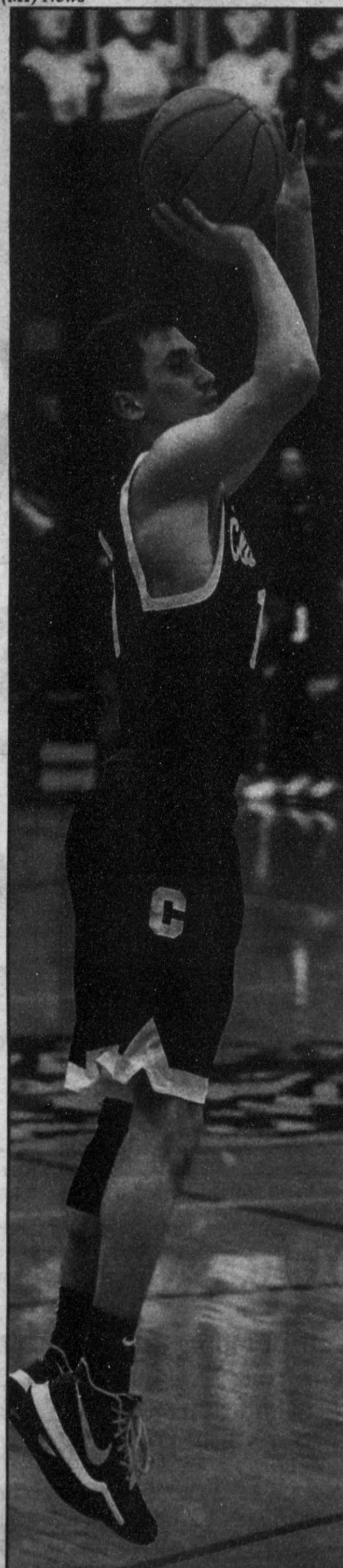
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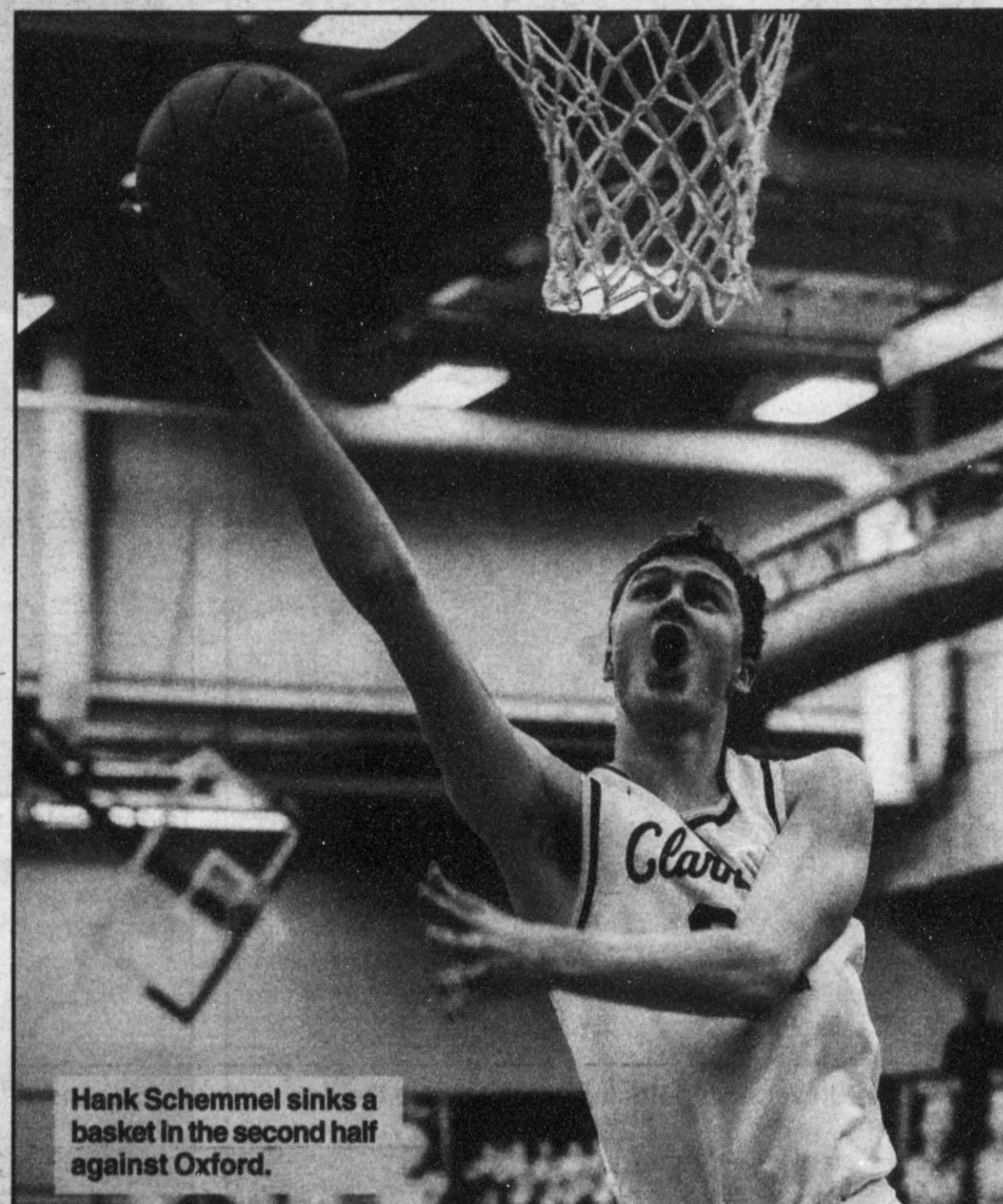
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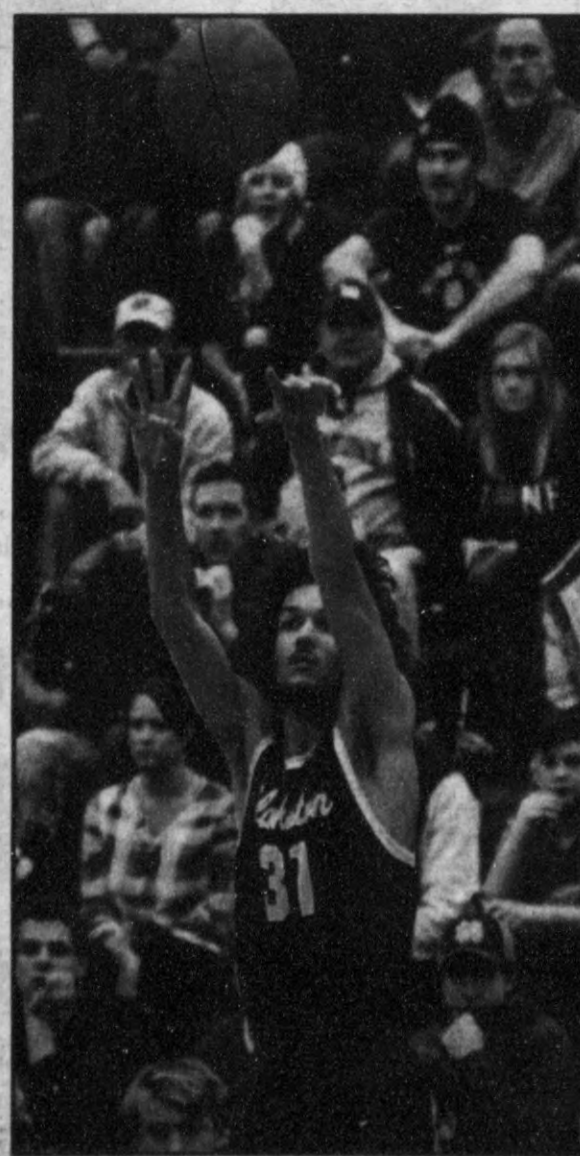
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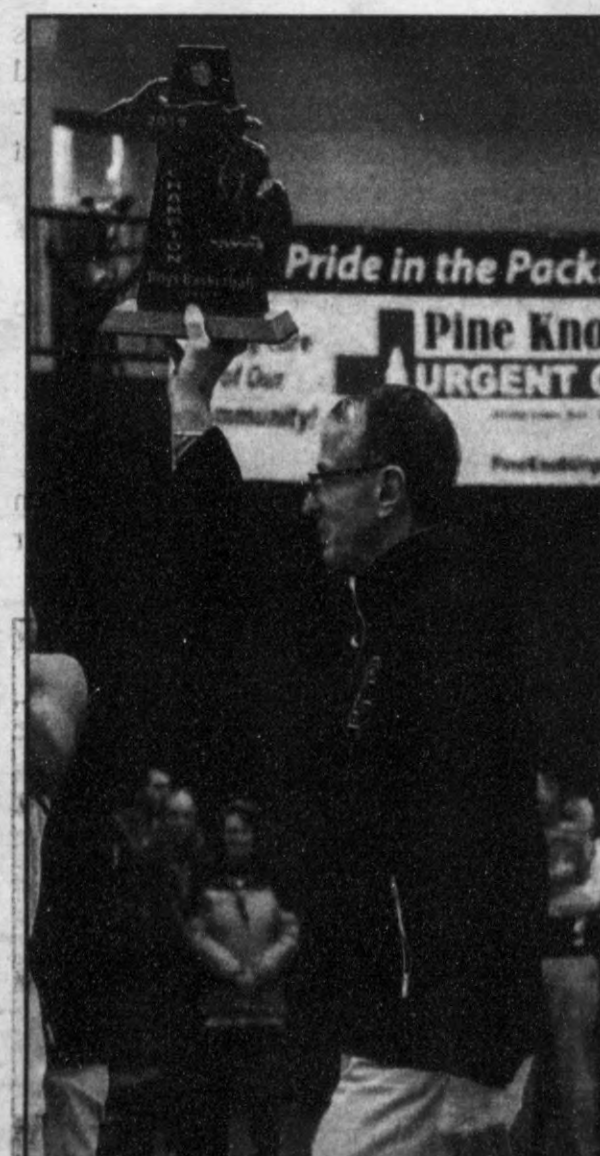
Foster Loyer returns to the court with  
a jump on Lake Orion.



Hank Schemmel sinks a  
basket in the second half  
against Oxford.



Chase Wasilk aims for two in the sec-  
ond quarter in the district semifinals.  
Photos by Larry Wright



Dan Fife, head coach, holds the trophy high on his way to share it with  
the team.





The Clarkston Varsity Football players receive their championship banner. Photo by Wendi Reardon Price

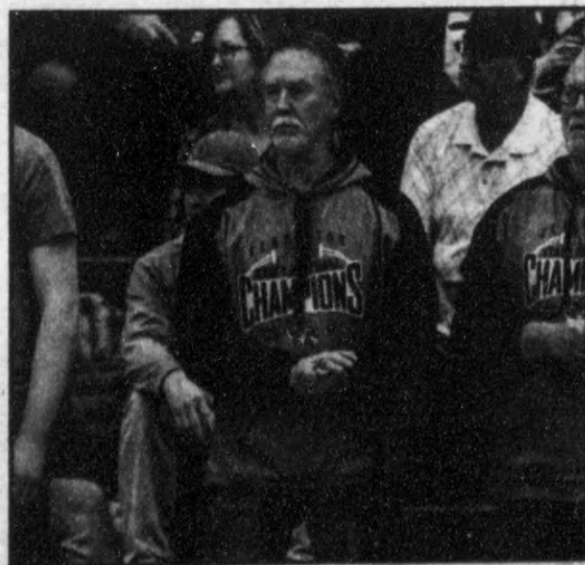
## Banner year

The Clarkston Varsity Football team was honored on Friday night as they received their state championship banner during half-time at the MHSAA Boys Basketball District final.

The Wolves avenged a previous loss against West Bloomfield at the MHSAA Division 1 Football State Championship at Ford Field, 3-2.

The gridiron heroes open their 2018 Fall season against Grandville at the Big House at University of Michigan, Aug. 24 at 7 p.m.

The championship banner will be hung in the Clarkston High School gym next to their banners from 2013 and 2014.



Kurt Richardson, head coach. Photo by Larry Wright

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From left are teacher Fuller, Clarkston Elementary student of the year Hannah Budzynski, and Principal Adams.

## Optimists honor Students of the Year

Clarkston Area Optimists honored three students with 2018 Students of the Year awards – **Layla Jordan** of Andersonville Elementary; **Hannah Budzynski** of Clarkston Elementary; and **Emma Tisdall** of North Sashabaw Elementary.

The students, their teachers and principals, as well as family were invited to breakfast at the Feb. 28 Optimist morning meeting. The principals and teachers shared the students' achievements and good endeavors they have been involved in at their school. The students were presented

Good Citizen plaques in their honor.

Optimist Student of the Year is an honor presented to one student from each school in the Clarkston Community Schools district and Everest Academy by the Clarkston Area Optimist Club.

Teachers and principals choose one student at elementary, middle school, junior high and high school levels based on their leadership, friendship to other students, academic endeavors, and attributes that are similar to the Optimist Creed.

– Joette Kunse



From left, teacher Bedor, Andersonville Elementary student of the year Layla Jordan, and Principal Fletcher.



From left, teacher Ms. Mendieta, North Sashabaw Elementary student of the year Emma Tisdale, and Principal Johnson. Photos provided

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# Independence Township Times

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## Township Update

By Patrick Kittle,  
Independence Supervisor

### ISO PPC Fire Ratings – Top 2% in Michigan

Since the new Fire Chief, Mitch Petterson, has been in charge of the Independence Fire Department, one of his key goals was to improve the Township response times and services provided when responding to a fire alarm. Redesigning internal tanker processes to get more water to sites without fire hydrants, establishing



Township Supervisor Pat Kittle

new mutual aid protocols with neighboring communities to ensure additional equipment and manpower is there when needed and continual training to ensure all of our Fire Responders are on top of their game are just a few of the changes Chief Petterson has initiated. And after our most recent audit, the Township is proud to inform you our ISO ratings have improved from a 4 to a 3 in areas where fire hydrants are available and from an 8B to a 3 in areas where there are no fire hydrants. These new ratings are a huge improvement over prior ISO ratings and place Independence Township in the top 8 % of all fire departments in the USA and top 2 % of all fire departments in the State of Michigan.



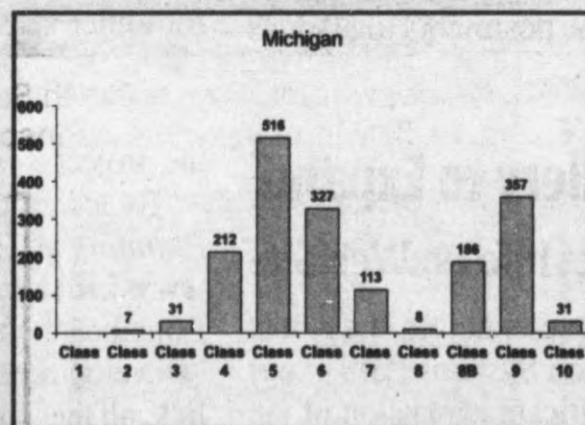
Like golf, the lower the score the better. So what's this mean to you ... insurance companies often use ISO ratings as one element in setting residential and commercial fire insurance policies. The lower the number, the less risk for insurance carriers. And more often than

not, less risk for them means more savings for you. These new rates will become effective May 1st. Call your insurance carrier once the new rates are effective. If history is any indication of the future, you just might see a reduction in your insurance costs, but you have to call and ask.

### What is the ISO PPC program?

ISO collects information on municipal fire protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. In each of these communities, ISO analyzes the relevant data using a Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS). A Public Protection Classification (PPC) is then assigned from 1 to 10. Class 1 generally represents superior property fire protection, and Class 10 indicates that the area's fire suppression program doesn't meet ISO's minimum criteria. Independence Fire is now rated Class 3.

By classifying communities' ability to suppress fires, ISO helps the communities evaluate their public fire protection services. The program provides an objective, countrywide standard that helps fire departments in planning and budgeting for facilities, equipment, and training. And by securing lower fire insurance premiums for



communities with better public protection, the PPC program provides incentives and rewards for communities that choose to improve their firefighting services. ISO has extensive information on more than 47,000 fire response jurisdictions.

### New Ambulances on the Way

Three brand new Ford F450 4X4 ambulances will soon be put into service in the Township. Manufactured by Wheeled Coach located in Florida, these new ambulances will each cost \$200,000 with funding coming from the Fire Department capital account. Being a little smaller, lighter, four-wheel drive and equipped with a powerful Ford 6.7 liter diesel engine, these new ambulances will allow for better maneuverability in tight situations plus provide better traction in muddy or snowy conditions. This new Ford chassis /



ambulance package means better accessibility to service parts and less downtime for regular maintenance and service. So what's this mean to you ... better response times from our ALS First Responders when seconds really do matter. The three new units will need to be striped and equipped with new communications equipment and should be fully operational in April. The replacement ambulances will be sold in compliance with the Township asset disposal policy and will be sold to the highest bidder. Funds received from sold units will off-set capital investment.

### Safest Cities in Michigan 2018

A new study ranks the safest cities in Michigan. Alarms.org and the National Council for Home Safety and Security released their annual list of the safest cities in every state for 2018.

As a state, Michigan is one of the poorer for violent crime in the country, due to Detroit's high crime rates, yet the Midwestern state performed much better in property crime.



Outside of Detroit and other areas hit hard by economic shifts and outsourcing, Michigan has quite a few communities that are very safe.

### Here's the top 20 safest cities and their population count:

1. Grosse Ile Township	10,123
2. Oakland Township	19,659
3. Hamburg Township	21,714
4. Brandon Township	15,692
5. South Lyon	11,801
6. Flushing Township	10,235
7. Rochester	13,050
8. Independence Twp	36,689
9. Milford	16,707
10. Springfield Twp	14,467
11. Highland Township	19,801
12. Berkley	15,328
13. Oxford Township	19,164
14. Orion Township	35,550
15. Clawson	12,053
16. Beverly Hills	10,455
17. W. Bloomfield Twp	66,123
18. Rochester Hills	73,913
19. East Grand Rapids	11,436
20. Green Oak Twp	18,722

**METHODOLOGY:** To identify the safest cities in Michigan, the most recent FBI Uniform Crime Report statistics were reviewed along with population data and internal research. Cities were eliminated from the study that failed to submit a complete crime report to the FBI. Cities with populations under 10,000 were also removed from the study. See the full report

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## Township updates

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at [www.alarms.org/safest-cities-in-michigan-2018/](http://www.alarms.org/safest-cities-in-michigan-2018/).

So what's this mean to you . . . just thought you might be interested to know you made a great decision to live in Independence Township.

### Active Shooter Review

With all the insanity going on in the world, even the Township is beginning to proactively train our staff and upgrade security protocols at all of our facilities. We recently had the Oakland County SWAT Team in to review current practices and building security. SWAT will be returning their findings over the next couple of weeks on improvements needed to help ensure the safety of our team, if-and-when a situation ever spins out of control and becomes confrontational. Scary stuff. But I am a firm believer in the following adage: PLAN FOR THE WORST AND HOPE FOR THE BEST. A little tough (code word for costly) up front, but usually pays huge dividends downstream.



### Encore At Deerhill Project

After two years, the 92-unit single family home development on the 26-acre site located at the intersection of Deerhill and Dixie Highway is finally started. Being built by Fairview Construction Company based in Troy Michigan, the clearing of trees and land balancing the high and low areas are the first steps in the process. And like every new construction site, it looks like a bomb went off. While over \$600,000 is budgeted for landscaping that will include over 600 trees and a ton of decorative plantings, it is going to take a couple of years for this site to stabilize and mature.



I know for one, two-years can't come soon enough. The Township has communicated to the construction company to keep all construction traffic off Deerhill Drive.

Also, noise restrictions were clearly communicated to the site foreman and staff. The Township also recently facilitated a meeting with representatives from Buckeye Pipeline and 12 residents from Deerhill Drive. Safety personnel from Buckeye, as well as the Independence Fire Department, were there to share Buckeye's safety record, maintenance requirements, on-site mandatory construction safety protocol and more. Buckeye has volunteered to attend the April HOA meeting for Deerhill residents and share information and address questions and concerns.

Bob White is coordinating this meeting. Construction updates with Fairview Construction management and local residents are also planned to keep everyone in the loop as the project progresses. Keep you posted.

## Property taxes & what you should know

By Paul Brown  
Independence Treasurer

### Delinquent taxes continue to decline.

Looking back historically, delinquent taxes spiked in the late 2000's due to the housing crises. In 2008, more than \$3,000,000 was turned over to Oakland County as delinquent. This represented 6 percent of the total taxes levied. Things have steadily improved since then. For the 2016 tax year, we turned over just under \$1,000,000 to Oakland County for collection. For 2017, we improved another 15% by turning over just under \$850,000 to the County as delinquent. This represents less than 2 percent of the total taxes. A significant impact in the decrease the past 3 years has been the implementation of delinquent tax notices in December and February.



Paul Brown,  
Township  
Treasurer

While not required, these notices serve as a reminder to those who have simply forgotten to pay. Residents with escrow accounts may seldom think about the tax due dates, nearly 60% of Independence homeowners do not have escrow accounts for taxes so it's not unusual to have folks set the bill aside and forget. We'll continue to do our best to improve notifications to homeowners so they can avoid the interest and penalties required by law when taxes are paid late.

I had a few unhappy residents this winter who made suggestions to improve the notices and we'll be making those changes. The most significant change will be in how we accept postmarks. In the past, we would accept a US postmark if we received it within seven days of the due date. This year, we'll extend the time that we will accept the postmarks to 30 days

### Delinquent Taxes



for the summer bill and two weeks for the winter bill.

We'll also be sending out delinquent notices for more residents in September which will help to keep the interest charges as low as possible.

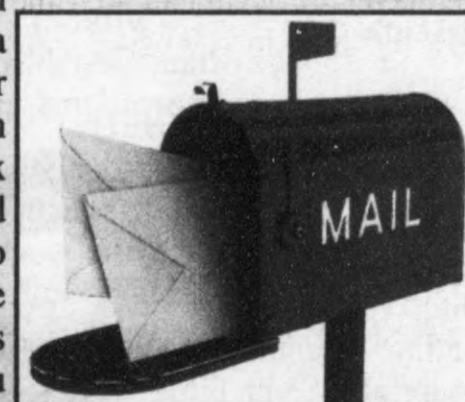
### Autopay for Taxes coming this year

With the success of our automatic payment system for our water and sewer customers, it makes sense to implement it for the payment of taxes as well. How will Tax Autopay work? Tax payers will sign-up to have their taxes automatically withdrawn from their bank account on the due date of each tax period. When you receive your tax bill, it will indicate that you are signed up for automatic payment and it will tell you the day the money will be withdrawn from your account. Generally, this will be on September 14 for the summer tax bill and February 14 for the winter tax bill. All you'll need to do is make sure the funds are available. The sign-up form will be available in the spring for those interested.



### Tax Bills will not be forwarded

If you're headed to Florida for the winter, make sure to plan on contacting us for a copy of your winter tax bill. Michigan does not allow tax bills to be forwarded by the Post Office so if you don't change your mailing address at the Township, you won't get your bill. If you contact our office, we'll be happy to email you a copy so you can get them paid on time. You can email us at [treasurer@indtwp.com](mailto:treasurer@indtwp.com) and request your bill for either season.



## Interactive Maps Gallery to Expand New Development Project Info on Web Site

In collaboration with ESRI representatives, the global leader in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), our GIS Team is developing a significant expansion of the Township's Interactive Map Gallery in 2018. The first new map to be released is the "Development Planning Explorer".

The Township receives numerous calls every day from Independence residents looking for information or asking questions about a new development going up in the community. To help better serve our residents, the new interactive experience will now allow you to see firsthand what new building or development projects are being constructed in the community and check where

the project is in the approval/development process.

To access this map, click *Departments...Building, Planning & Zoning*, from the Township's website, [www.indtwp.com](http://www.indtwp.com). Next, click *Planning & Zoning* from the left navigation pane. Click the graphic entitled "Development Planning Explorer". By clicking on this link, all the individual projects and their locations in the Township are displayed on a map. Residents can now enter their address and find projects near them. Clicking on a project will show whether the project is under construction or still in the planning stages by showing meeting dates, site plans and consultant reports.

Stay tuned! Other interactive maps planned for 2018 include a Code Enforcement Citizen Reporting tool, a new Burning Permit tool, an updated Zoning map, Future Land Use map, Utilities map, Hunting Boundary map and Voter Precinct map.



# Protecting your identity

By Lt. Larry Perry,  
Substation Commander

Identity Theft is on the rise and occurs when someone uses your personal information without you knowing about it. There are two types of Identity Theft that you should be aware of; Income Tax Theft and Unemployment Identity Theft. Both types of Identity Theft require having your personal information such as your name and social security number.

Let's make one point perfectly clear. The IRS doesn't initiate contact with taxpayers by telephone, email or text messages, period.

So how can you protect yourself from being tax scammed? Look out for erroneous refunds and beware of fake calls to return money. Scammers will claim to be an IRS employee using fake names and badge numbers. They are well versed and know a lot about their target such as your full name and address. When these calls are made, it appears to look like the IRS calling because clever software can alter the caller ID, resulting in you being none the wiser.

You may be told that you are entitled to a tax refund. This is only done to trick you into sharing your private information. Scammers may tell you that you owe money to the IRS and it must be paid promptly by purchasing a gift card or making wire transfer. They also like to threaten you with arrest. In many cases, the caller may become hostile and even demanding and if the phone isn't answered, they will often leave an "urgent" callback request.

Please understand that the IRS will not call and demand immediate payment using a prepaid debit or gift card. If you owe taxes, the IRS will send you a bill in the mail. The IRS will not call and demand a payment without giving you the opportunity to appeal the amount they say you owe. The IRS will not threaten you with a warrant to have you arrested. Remember, the IRS will not ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone, in an email or by a text message.

Scammers are also using your identity to file for unemployment. Look out for Form UIA 1575C from the State of Michigan and Form 1099G



from the IRS. If you receive either of these forms in the mail and you have not applied for unemployment benefits, odds are you may be a victim. If you are currently employed and your employer notifies you that a claim for benefits has been filed on your behalf, then you are a victim of Unemployment Identity Theft.

Protect yourself by guarding your social security number. Do not respond to requests for personal information by phone, email or text messages. Protect your identity by shredding account statements, credit card offers and receipts. Connect your devices to a trusted Wi-Fi source that are password protected and refrain from using a public Wi-Fi. Safeguard your Identity and store important personal information and paperwork in a safe place.

Be alert to bogus emails requesting your personal information and financial information. This is referred to as Phishing. Phishing (as in "fishing for information") is an e-mail message sent to you to trick you and although these sites may look legit, they are not. Often times these emails carry malware, which can infect your device, granting criminals access to your files along with your personal information.

If you believe you are a victim of Tax or Unemployment Fraud visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) or [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov). Place a fraud alert with either one of these three credits bureaus: Experian, TransUnion or Equifax. Be sure to promptly obtain a credit report and always file a police report with your local law enforcement agency.

For the most up-to-date information on combating Identity Theft, go to [IdentityTheft.gov](http://IdentityTheft.gov).

If you have any questions regarding these type of incidents please call the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence Substation at 248-620-4970.

## FOG prevention tips for residents

Protect our environment and keep drains clear of fats, oil & grease

By Dave McKee, DPW Director

Fats, Oil, and Grease (FOG) in sewer pipes can create severe pollution problems in our Township. FOG enters sewer pipes through restaurant, residential and commercial sink drains.

Once in the sewer, FOG sticks to the pipe, thickens and can eventually block the entire pipe. Blockages in sewer pipes can send sewage out of manholes into streets and rivers, or up floor drains into your home.



David McKee,  
DPW Director



### Impact of FOG

When sewer pipes on private property back up, the homeowner is responsible for the cleanup. For example, if a resident regularly pours grease down a drain, it will eventually cool, harden, and form a blockage in the sewer pipe. This blockage can then cause backups through floor drains and toilets in your house. A plumber will have to be hired to clean the sewer and possibly repair plumbing inside the home which can be expensive.

### Sources of FOG

Fat, Oil, and Grease are by-products of cooking found in:

- food scraps
- meat fats
- lard
- cooking oil
- butter, margarine or shortening

### Keep Drains Clear

#### Follow These Tips:

- Pour or scrape greasy or oily food

waste into a container or jar.

- Allow grease to cool or freeze in the container before throwing it in the trash.

- Mix liquid vegetable oil with an absorbent material such as cat litter or coffee grounds in a sealable container before throwing it in the trash.

- Keep drains clean by pouring 1/2 cup baking soda down the drain followed by 1/2 cup vinegar. Wait 10 to 15 minutes and then rinse with hot water.

### DO NOT:

- Pour Fat, Oil, or Grease down drains or garbage disposals.

- Use hot water to rinse grease off cookware, utensils, dishes or surfaces.

*Preventing sewer backups from FOG blockages saves you money and protects the environment.*

### For More Information

Contact the Independence Township Department of Public Works at: (248) 625-8222 for more details.

## Top Question This Month: What's Taking So Long with the Safety Path on Sashabaw?

The joint Safety Path initiative between the Township and Oakland County Parks is almost completed. Last summer, the Township and County Parks agreed to jointly fund a new safety path along Sashabaw providing access to both the South and North entrances to Independence Oaks Park. The total cost of this initiative is \$1.2M, or \$600K each. The Township portion was paid with funds from the Safety Path millage. The reason for the delays were two-fold: mother nature was not cooperative with the rain in late summer and early fall and the ITC corridor permits seemed to take forever. The final steps for completion is the installation of the second coat of asphalt and two rest stops for weary travelers. Work should be completed in late spring. Next project: Clintonville between Maybee and Waldon.



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**Spring Break Camp**

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Monday, April 2 – Friday, April 6			
GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Grades K-5	9am-4pm	\$35 daily \$150 weekly	\$40 daily \$175 weekly

Bay Court Park Lakeview Room

**NEW Spring Break Camp Teen Style**

Spring Break is finally here; so what do you do with all of this free time? Stay busy and active with your friends at our new addition to our camp line up, Spring Break Camp- Teen Style! Travel with us as we go on a daily field trip to make your spring break a memorable one. Pre-registration is necessary by Wednesday, March 29th. Cost includes: transportation, entrance fees for activities & supervision. Detailed information will be available late January and registration begins February 12th. A \$10 late fee applies after the registration deadline if space allows. **Register for all 5 days and receive a discount!**

Monday, April 2 – Friday, April 6			
GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Grades 6-9	9am-4pm	\$45 daily \$200 weekly	\$50 daily \$225 weekly

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**NEW Spring Break After Care**

New this year to Spring Break Camp, we will be offering After Care ONLY. After Care will run from 4-5pm daily and will be \$5 a day. Sign up for the entire week and receive the 5th day FREE! You spoke, we listened! Pre-registration only. **Register for all 5 days and receive a discount!**

Monday, April 2 – Friday, April 6			
GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Grades K-9	4-5pm	\$5 daily \$20 weekly	\$5 daily \$20 weekly

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Kyle Brooks, Brian Glowski, Cody Hughes, and Coach Kyle Hughes, the drive team, lift their robot.



Team RUSH 27 cheers for their peers.



Kyle Brooks, coach Kyle Hughes, and Cody Hughes stay focused. Photos by Dale Schnepf

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# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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From left, Jessica Ray, Brandon Kirk, Jason Richards, Audrey DeKonink and Carson Morris, part of Team RUSH's judges team, present the Innovation in Controls Award.

## RUSH robot wins for innovation

BY WENDI REARDON PRICE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Team RUSH 27 was busy getting their robot ready for the next tournament when they heard their name called during awards at the end of the Central New York Regional, March 4.

The robotics team from Clarkston High School had won the Innovation Controls Award for the first time in 22 years.

"The students were elated they had won an award and felt very satisfied with the weekend," said Kyle Hughes, coach and mentor.

"I am proud of our Innovation in Controls award - especially with the number of people who put their effort into making that happen! I am also very proud of how they came together and how many people they impacted this past weekend."

The tournament started rough with the road trip on March 1, with a normally nine-hour drive turning into 14 hours due to poor road conditions.

The team arrived at the SUNY Polytechnic Institute in Utica, New York, at 7:30 a.m. on Friday and went right to work.

"Our pit crew essentially worked for 12 hours straight on Friday to get the robot up and running for competition on Saturday," Hughes said. "Saturday, we were feeling a little more refreshed after sleeping in a bed, but we still had a long day ahead of us. I think, because we were tired, we made a few mistakes along the way, that cost us."

The team finished Saturday with four wins and five losses and went back to the hotel as they discussed what they could do to improve.

"We believe in 'Fail Faster, Learn More, Focus and Execute,'" said Hughes. "We dis-

cussed how do we get past the fail faster and start focusing and executing."

Team RUSH opened Sunday with three wins in a row and another shake down of the robot.

"We were starting to gain momentum. The stands came alive on Sunday and everyone knew a Michigan team was in the house," Hughes smiled.

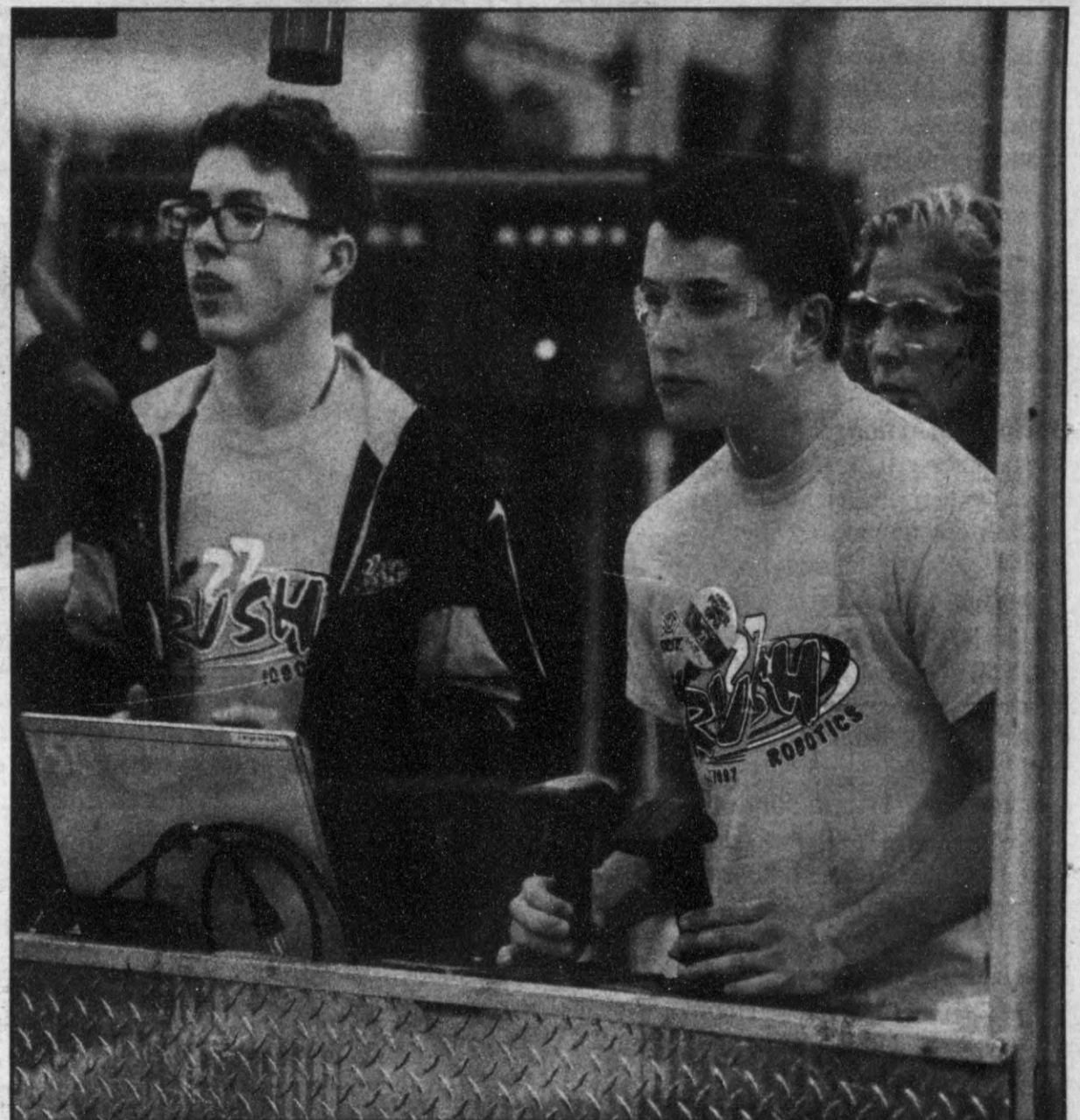
Team Rush was picked by Team 3044 to run with them as the fifth seeded team in the elimination rounds. Team 287 joined the alliance with the two teams.

They lost the first match, scoring 235 points as the other team scored 268.

"The plan was to continue to do what we do, no changes," Hughes explained. "But in the second round, lots of little errors came up that prevented RUSH from going further, losing 327 to 261 points."

"This was an awesome tournament. We failed, just not fast enough," said Hughes. "We learned more, just in time, and we focused and executed when needed. I am proud of how the team came together. We knew our alliance was not rock solid, but we were able to again prove out the robot and its functioning. We are now ready to make changes for improvement for. Although it was a first week tournament, this was the toughest first week competition we have ever experienced and RUSH hung with the best. I am very proud of this team. RUSH proved once again that they are a Hall of Fame team and I am proud to be their coach."

Team RUSH 27 heads to Milford High School this Thursday to Saturday for their district tournament. You can watch the competition live at [www.bluealliance.com/team/27](http://www.bluealliance.com/team/27).



Kyle Brooks, Cody Hughes and Coach Kyle Hughes pilot the robot.



Grace Sielinski and Garrett Bailey from judges team. Photos by Dale Schnepf



## Events

**Sparkle Awards** Special Education Appreciation Evening, 6 p.m., March 21, Clarkston Junior High School Auditorium. Sparkle Awards recognize individuals and student groups who support local students with IEPs, ccsparkleawards@gmail.com.

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**Road Rally Through the Decades**, Young Professionals Network, 5-8 p.m., March 22. Shuttle bus provided by Bowman Chevrolet.

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**Battling Cognitive Decline and Alzheimer's One Brain at a Time**, 6 p.m., March 22. Free presentation at Nuview Nutrition Wellness Center, 7300 Dixie Highway, Suite 500. Call 248-625-5143 to reserve seat.

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**Community Egg Hunt**, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 2 p.m., March 24. Hunt for 3,000-plus eggs, photo with Easter Bunny, refreshments. Free.

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**Spring into Action** for My Habitat Clarkston, 6-9 p.m., March 24, Bowman's Auto Center, 9603 Dixie Highway. Strolling dinner, silent auction, entertainment. \$50.

## 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/ members, \$4/non-members.

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

## Tuesday

**Clarkston Community Women's Club**, March 20, 7 p.m., Independence District Library. Sue Julian from North Oakland Headwaters will speak on invasive plants and how to eradicate them. Refreshments. All welcome. Call Pat Smolen, 248-909-3920.

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

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**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.

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# Around Town

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



**Clarkston United Methodist Church** hosts a **Community Egg Hunt** on **Saturday, March 24, at 2 p.m.** The hunt includes pictures with the **Easter Bunny**, hunt for **3,000+ eggs** and refreshments, all free. Due to construction at the church, the egg hunt will be at **Renaissance High School field, 6558 Waldon Road**. All are welcome. For more information, contact **Hallie Guzal** at [hguzal@clarkstonstaff.org](mailto:hguzal@clarkstonstaff.org) or 248-625-1611. *File photo*

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

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**Seniors On With Life Group** forming for widowers, widows, divorced. Dinners, breakfasts, golf, social gatherings. 248-393-8553.

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

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**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.

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**Big Chief Barbershop Chorus**, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Waterford Oaks, 2800 Watkins Lake Road. Call Jack, 248-334-3686.

## Wednesday

**Clarkston Area Youth Assistance**, second Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Independence Township Hall, 6483 Waldon Center Drive. 248-623-4313.

## Thursday

**Clarkston News' Coffee Club** business networking, 7:30-9 a.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Free. Facebook.com/coffeeclubmi, and [www.clarkstoncoffeeclub.com](http://www.clarkstoncoffeeclub.com).

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**Coffee and Conversation**, April 19, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, Clintonwood Park. \$1.

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

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

## Civic groups

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

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

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**Daughters of the American Revolution**, Sashabaw Plains Chapter, second Tuesday, [www.sashabaw.michdar.net](http://www.sashabaw.michdar.net).

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**Clarkston Optimist Club**, 7:30-8:30 a.m. Wednesdays, American Legion Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road, north of I-75, [www.clarkstonoptimist.org](http://www.clarkstonoptimist.org)

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

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**Clarkston Area Genealogy**, 10:15 a.m., third Thursday, Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-620-2984.

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**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.

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**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.

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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. Immediate results. 248-625-2212.

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### Tell Us About YOUR TRAVELS

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## Quilters help local seniors in need

Seeing a need at Autumn Ridge of Clarkston Assisted Living, Carolyn Place of Clarkston asked the Independence Township Senior Center Quilting group for help. Answering the call were members Bonnie Herrera and Pat Reeves.

Place, whose husband Don was a patient before his death at Autumn Ridge, provided lots of bright cloth to the group and the quilters took over. They assembled more than 20 clothing protectors, giving them to Josie Schnitker, activities coordinator for Autumn Ridge Assisted Living.

"It means so much for us and the residents. They are such nice clothing protectors. It's harder for our residents to eat and keep their clothing clean. This means a lot for the residents who live here, to be remembered," said Schnitker.

The quilting group meets on Friday mornings at the Senior Center.

"We are a group of sewers and we learn from each other," said Herrera, who said she hadn't had a lot of experience quilting before joining the group.

She added the group makes quilts for raffles at the Senior Center and small gifts for Meals on Wheels residents.

"We are a sociable group that enjoys quilting and sewing," she said.

— Joette Kunse



From left are Bonnie Herrera, Barbara Bawkes, and Pat Reeves. Photo provided

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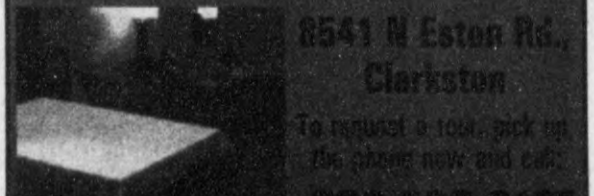


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the process of opening and managing her online  
store. If you've been interested in selling your wares  
on this popular platform but been afraid to take the  
plunger, this class is for you!



Can you escape  
the Escape Room?

**Friday, April 6th 2:30-5:30 pm**

Join us as teens work together to solve a series of  
puzzles quickly and accurately in order to break out  
of the room before the timer hits zero! This event is  
repeated 4 times throughout the day to include  
more participants.

**TEEN  
TUESDAYS**

**Tuesday, April 17th 6-7 pm**

Earth Day is just around the corner so let's make some  
sustainable crafts! Our monthly teen event created by  
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## Music & Movement

**Friday, April 13th**  
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**Registration required**



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# Death notices & Obituaries

## Christine Marie Brunner, 55

Christine Marie Brunner of Clarkston, passed away on March 6, 2018 at 55 years of age after a long battle with cancer.

Beloved wife of David; loving mother of Scott and Jonathan; dearest daughter of Robert Sr. and the late Aurelia; sister of Robert Jr. and Megan; also survived by many nieces and nephews and cousins.

Christine was a graduate of Texas A&M University and the University of Delaware. She relocated to Michigan in 1989 as a chemical engineer at the Environmental Protection Agency.

She spent her free time being involved in little league, soccer and softball. Private inurnment will be held at All Saints Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the **Coats Funeral Home - Clarkston**.

Memorial donations may be directed to Michigan Opposing Mandatory Vaccines. To send a condolence visit [www.CoatsFuneralHome.com](http://www.CoatsFuneralHome.com).

## Bonnie Sue Lape, 64

Bonnie Sue Lape, (nee Millen) of Almont; formerly of Clarkston; sunrise May 5, 1953; sunset March 7, 2018; passed away at the age of 64.

Beloved wife of David; loving mother of Christine (Juan) Moreno, Nicole (Jacob) Eland and Erin (Michael) Vezzetti; proud "Mina" of Brittany, Brian, Morgan, Felicia, Elly, Michael, Tate, Owen, Anna and Oliver; great "Mina" of Nicole. Also survived by two brothers and her beloved dogs Ziggy and Andy.

Bonnie enjoyed traveling and spending time with her family and friends. Celebration of Life Service Sunday, 5 p.m. at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston** where friends may visit Sunday, 2-8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com)

Obituaries  
posted at  
**Clarkstonnews.com**

## Martin Rahja, 70

Martin Rahja, "Butch," of Waterford, formerly of Pontiac, passed away March 7, 2018, at age 70.

He was the beloved husband of Joanne of 20 years, father of Mary (Chris) Clark; Shannon (Mark) Kaffenberger and Joseph White; Papa of Garrett, Jake, Alan, Kobè, Xander and Ryder; G-G-Pa of Cameron and Brett; Brother of Pat (Gary)

Lessel and Martha (the late Jim) Cox; beloved uncle of several nieces and nephews; preceded in death by his brother Eddie. Most importantly he will be greatly missed by his buddy Brutus.

Martin retired from General Motors after 33 years and was extremely proud of his time served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

He had a great love for his family and spending his time in the great outdoors-activities such as hunting, camping, golfing, fishing, photography, baseball and gardening.

Martin enjoyed teaching his grandchildren to have an appreciation for nature. The word "no" was not in Martin's vocabulary, he was always there for his family and would do anything he could for them. He will be greatly missed by many. Memorial Service was March 12 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston**. Memorial donations may be made in honor of Martin to an organization of your choice. Online guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## In our local churches

**Adult Bible Fellowships, Sunday School, 11 a.m., Dixie Baptist Church, 8585 Dixie Highway, 248-625-2311.**

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**Coffee and Conversation, first, third, fifth Sunday, 12:30 p.m., for adults and interested youth. Sashabaw Presbyterian Church, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-673-3469**

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**Sunday Night Youth Group, 6 p.m., First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road. 248-394-0200.**

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**Bible Study, Mondays, 10 a.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2325.**

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**Cove gatherings for teens, grades 6-12, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., Waypoint Church, 8400 Dixie Highway. 248-623-1224.**



## Students achieve success

Interim Superintendent Ryan commended the Clarkston High School musical production of "Mary Poppins" for its choreographed music, acting, and set design, and the 120 students who participated.

Ryan said he and his daughters especially enjoyed the flying, which as he laughingly said, "I was thinking of somehow incorporating that into a district opening for next year."

"We did have Flying by Foy come out, so if you want, on your teachers' first day back, we can get the people from Foy to come out and fly you in," chuckled Amy Seamen, Producer of the Clarkston High School Drama Club, Thespian Troupe 803.

Seamen and two stars of the recent musical, **Charlie Lussenhop** (Bert) and **Zoe Nygaard** (Mary) spoke at last week's School Board meeting.

"We actually start auditions in October, so we work on this for a long time," Seaman said. "We actually start the set building as soon as school starts in September. You'd think that's a long time to work on the show, but really you lose a lot of time between the holiday breaks, Thanksgiving, and the two weeks off for the Christmas Break, any snow days, any unfortunate events such as life. So, we definitely need all of that time. But the talent of these high school students just never ceases to amaze me. They are not incredible young people, but they are just so incredibly talented. It's such a joy to work with them."

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Students graduating from Northern Michigan University in December 2017 include **Madison Brinker** of Clarkston, Associate Degree in Clinical Laboratory Technology;

and **Hannah Wiegand** of Davisburg, Baccalaureate Degree in Multimedia Journalism.

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**Daniel Jagod** of Clarkston was named to the Cedarville University Dean's List for fall 2017. This recognition requires the student to have a 3.5 GPA or higher for the semester, and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

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**Mackenzie Case**, a Health Science (PA) major from Clarkston, was named to the Dean's List at Saint Francis University for the Fall 2017 semester.

To be named to the Dean's Honors Lists students must have full-time status and attain a quality point average of at least 3.5 for the semester.

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Saginaw Valley State University fall 2017 semester Deans' List includes Clarkston students **Joseph Baker**, **Mariah Drye**, **Jessica Laconis**, **Ryan Mangapora**, **Sean Mueller**, **Elizabeth Smith**, and **Alexander Snyder**. To be eligible for the Deans' List, a student must take at least 12 credit hours and carry a semester GPA of 3.4 or better.

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**Anthony Hernandez** of Clarkston earned a spot on the fall 2017 semester President's List at Saginaw Valley State University. To be eligible for the President's List, a student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 4.0 grade point average.

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**Aidan Nolan** of Clarkston was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the Fall 2017 semester at Lawrence Technological University. Nolan is majoring in Civil Engineering. To be named to the honor roll, a student must maintain at least a 3.5 GPA.



**RIBBON CUTTING: Verizon Wireless Zone, 250 N. Ortonville Road, celebrated their relocation on Feb. 15 with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony. They offer a variety of services and smartphones, devices, and accessories. Photo provided**

## Season ends on the ice

**BY WENDI REARDON PRICE**  
*Clarkston News Sports Writer*

The Clarkston Varsity Hockey team finished the season to Orchard Lake St. Mary's in the MHSAA PreRegional on March 10.

The Wolves scored two goals on the hosts made by Austin McKay and Danny Milano with an assist from Trevor Gilman, but St. Mary's shut them down by scoring 10 goals.

They scored their final goal with 40 seconds left in the game to end the night.

"We competed - that's the main thing," said Karl Daiek, head coach. "The score wasn't indicative of the play. We played certainly well enough to have a better outcome than what it was. Sometimes regardless of how the game goes overall sometimes the outcome is a little skewed I think. It wasn't an 8-point game is the best way to put it. the kids worked hard, they had too many penalties which caused a little bit of it. It got us out of sorts a little bit."

The Wolves finished the season with a 15-8 overall record and 8-2 in OAA White for a second place finish. It was a turn around from last year's 4-16-2 overall record.

"It is a vast improvement," Daiek said, adding they know what the difference was in the two seasons. "I think we could have done better. My standards or expectations were a bit higher. We lost some games we shouldn't have lost. I thought we had the ability to do better. You go little steps, you make some improvements. Hopefully we can continue that for next year."

Clarkston graduates eight seniors: **Brent Bachusz**, **Brendan Borawski**, **Cameron Exline**, **Austin James**, **Yuri Karpushenkoff**, **Trey Roy**, **Gage Stamper** and **Daniel Tremblay**.

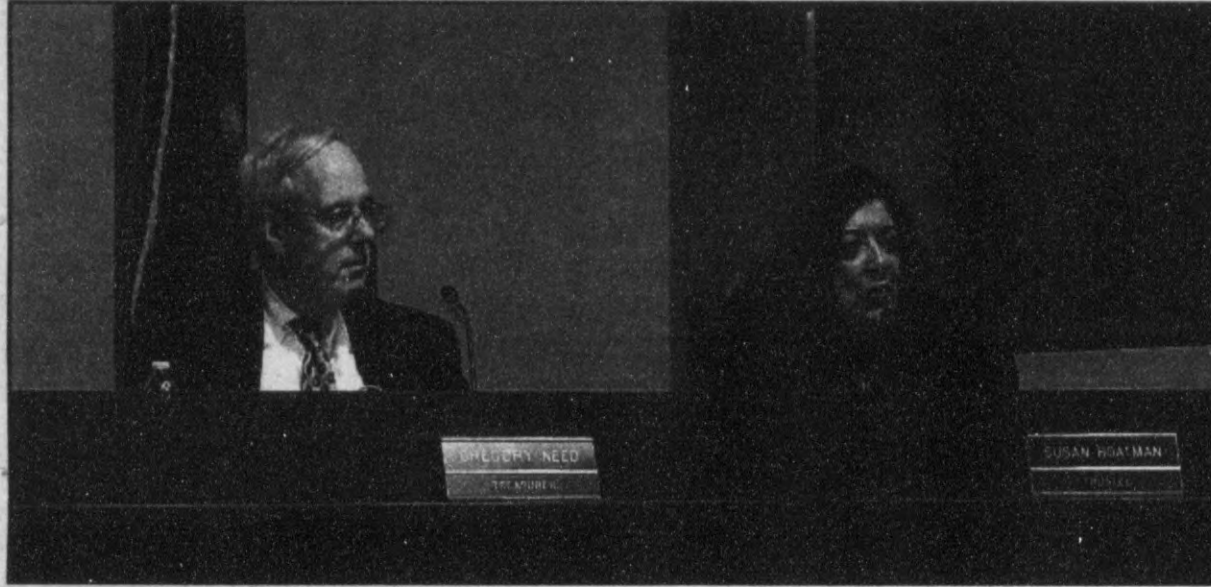
Daiek shared he believes any team is a reflection of the senior class.

"This senior class is important because, I believe, they got the program back on track," he added. "You have to give a lot of credit to the seniors because they are the ones who have been here the longest and may have gone through some of the down side of it. It was a very positive year primarily it is on the shoulders of the senior class. They had a good attitude, great approach to it. It proved in the results. They established the culture in the locker room and the approach on how to play in the game. We owe them a lot from that stand point."



**Clarkston Drama Club student Zoe Nygaard (Mary Poppins) shares how much she enjoyed participating in the musical. Photo by Brenda Dominick**





**SCHOOL BOARD:** Clarkston Board of Education Treasurer Greg Need and Trustee Susan Boatman talk about district improvements with Executive Director of Operations Wes Goodman, Feb 28. *Photo by Brenda Dominick*

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### INDEPENDENCE TWP.

**SYNOPSIS**  
TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD  
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
MARCH 6, 2018

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 6:00 PM at Independence Township Hall
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ivan Dashkevich of Boy Scout Troop #186
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Loughrin, Ritchie, Schroeder  
Absent: None

There was a quorum present.

Also Present: Matt Bleau, Station Manager for Independence Television; Mark Brown, Chair ITOC Committee/Staff Lieutenant; David McKee, DPW Director; Derek Smith, PR&S Director

- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
- E. CLOSED SESSION / BUDGET SESSION / STUDY SESSION: None
- F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Trustee Schroeder, Trustee Aliaga, Supervisor Kittle
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- H. PUBLIC HEARING: None
- I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

- 1. Presentation: Supervisor's Update (Patrick J. Kittle, Supervisor)
- 2. Presentation: Fourth Quarter Investment Report (Paul A. Brown, Treasurer)
- 3. Presentation: Parks, Recreation and Seniors 2017 Annual Report (Derek Smith, PRS Director)

- J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None
- K. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2018
- 2. Approval of the February 27, 2018 Check Run and Ratification of the February 23, 2018 Payroll
- 3. Acceptance of Quote - Printing & Mailing Services for Recreation Guide - Removed from Consent Agenda

- L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:
- 3. Acceptance of Quote - Printing & Mailing Services for Recreation Guide

- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:

- 1. Approval of Out of State Travel - Independence Television Station Manager
- 2. Approval of Agreement - IT Services Oakland County
- 3. Acceptance of Proposal - 2018 4th of July Fireworks Display
- 4. Acceptance of Quotes - 2018 Baseball & Softball Uniforms
- 5. Approval of the 2018 Clarkston Community Education Agreement - Clarkston Community School District
- 6. Approval of Amendment to the Municipal Credit and Community Credit Contract - SMART
- 7. Approval of Budget Amendment #7 - Emergency Purchase for Lakeview Room at Bay Court Park
- 8. Approval of Budget Amendment #9 - 2017 CIP Bay Court Park/Lakeview Room Renovation
- 9. Acceptance of Quote and Approval of Budget Amendment #8 - Clintonwood Park Capital
- 10. Acceptance of Proposal - Development of Quality Based Request for Proposal for SCADA Sys-

tem Upgrade Improvement Project

- 11. Approval of Sewer Preventative Maintenance Services and Budget Amendment #6 - Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Program-Pipeline Management Co., Inc.
- 12. Acceptance of Quote for Sewer Department Lease Vehicle and Authorization to Dispose of Asset
- 13. Acceptance of Quote - Purchase of Safety Path Mower and Authorization to Dispose of Asset
- 14. Approval of 2018 Budget Amendment #5 - Information Technology Oversight Committee
- 15. Approval to Purchase Gravel from Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) - Repair of Township Dirt Roads
- 16. Appointment of Member to Boards and Committees - Sashabaw Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA)
- N. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:
- 1. Minutes: Audit Advisory Committee Minutes - Final, October 10, 2017
- 2. Communication: Water Resources Commissioner (WRC), dated February 21, 2018 - WRC Lake Improvement Board Assignments
- O. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Schroeder, Supervisor Kittle invited Jim Tedder, State Representative - 43rd District and Mark Petterson, to speak
- P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC  
Township Clerk

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### INDEPENDENCE TWP.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF**  
**NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION**  
**FUND - GRANT APPLICATION**

A Public Hearing will be held by the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees in the Township Hall Meeting Room, 6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, Michigan 48346 beginning at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 for the purpose of presenting and receiving public comment on seeking grant funds for proposed facility improvements, including accessibility-improvements, to the Clintonwood Park Day Camp and Restroom Building through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Comments can be expressed at the Public Hearing or written comments and questions can be directed to the attention of the Derek O. Smith, PR&S Director at the above address or by email to [dsmith@indtwp.com](mailto:dsmith@indtwp.com) no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Monday before the meeting. Questions may also be directed to the PR&S Department by phone at (248) 922-6214. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting should contact the Township Clerk (248) 625-5114 at least two working days in advance of the meeting. An attempt will be made to make reasonable accommodations.

Barbara A. Pallotta, Clerk  
Charter Township of Independence

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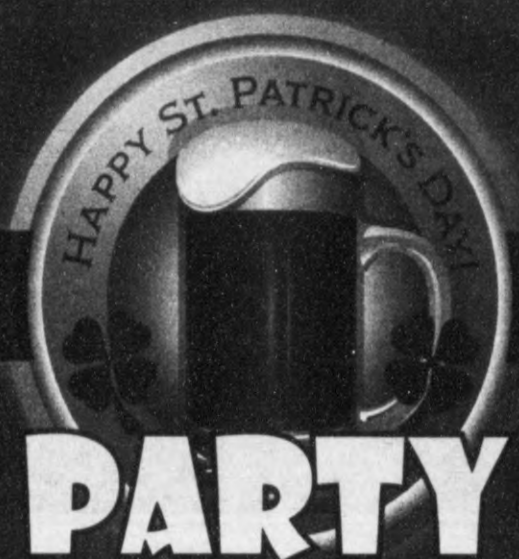
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From left, Dana Demrose, Megan Lockwood, Mykala Wendt and Megan Hibbard bow for the last time at Clarkston High School. Photo by Larry Wright

## Last dance

It was bitter sweet as Dana Demrose, Megan Hibbard, Megan Lockwood and Mykala Wendt broke away from the Clarkston Varsity Dance team as they performed their senior dance for Wolves' fans during half time on March 1.

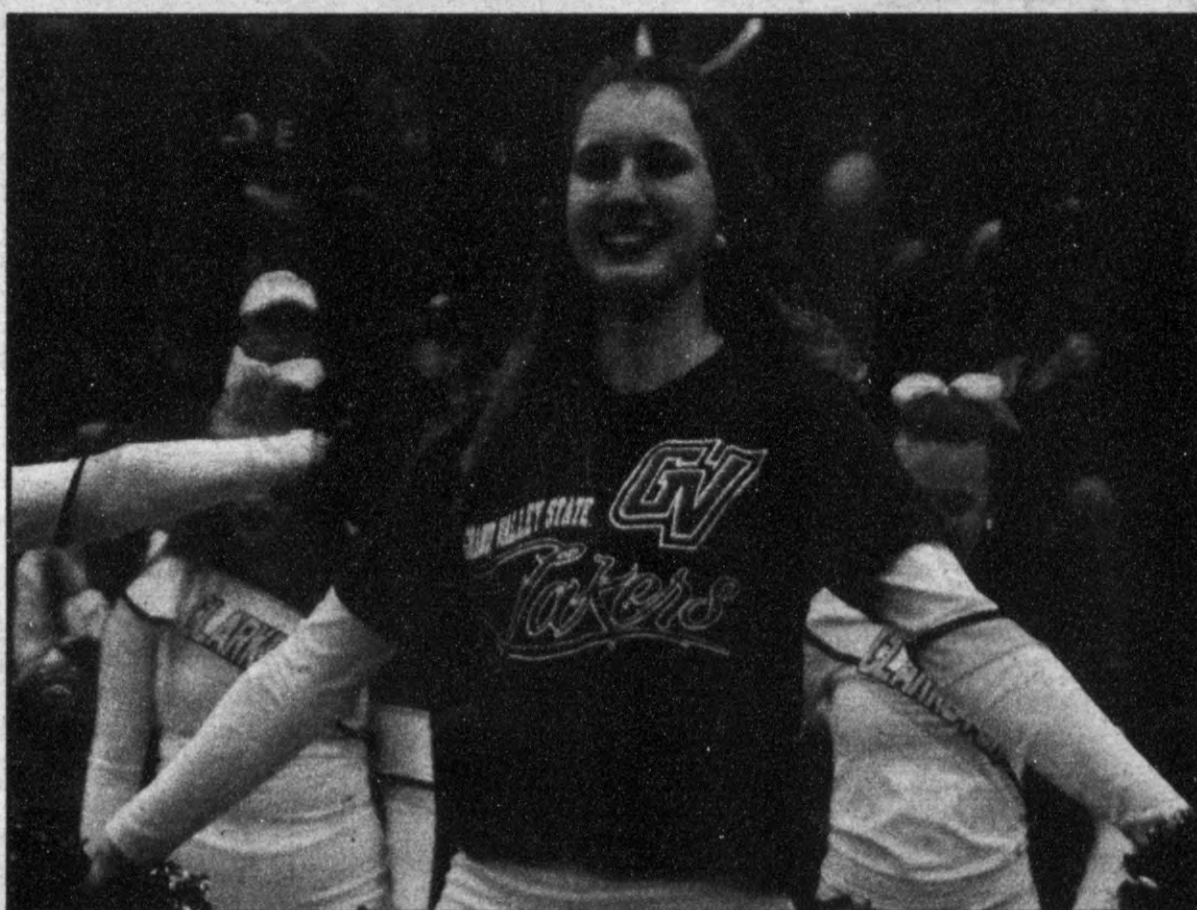
They were honored before the boys varsity basketball team with their families.

Good luck in all your future endeavors, ladies!

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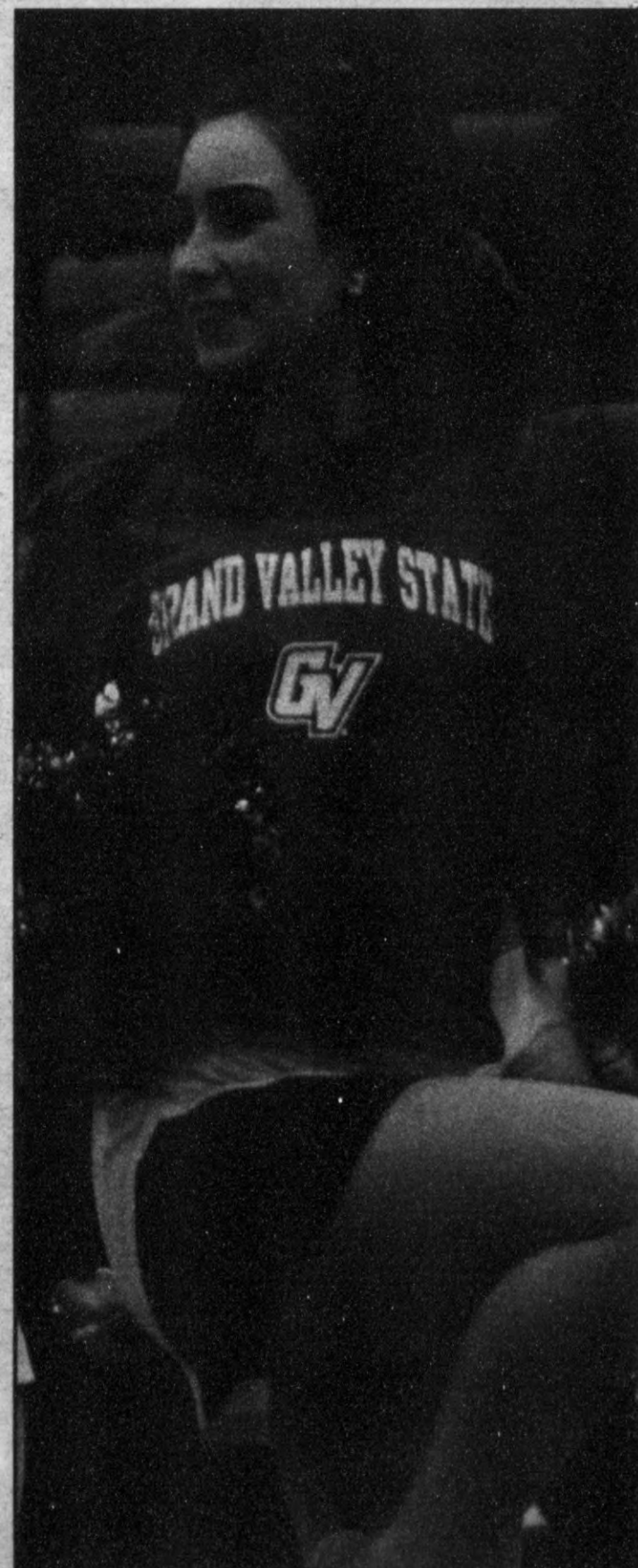
Megan Hibbard shares a hug with some of the dancers.



Mykala Wendt.



Dana Demrose.



Megan Lockwood.





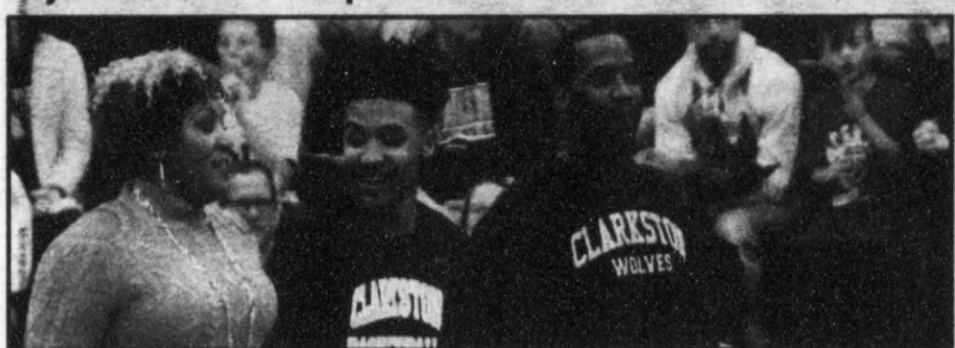




Max Anderson with his family.



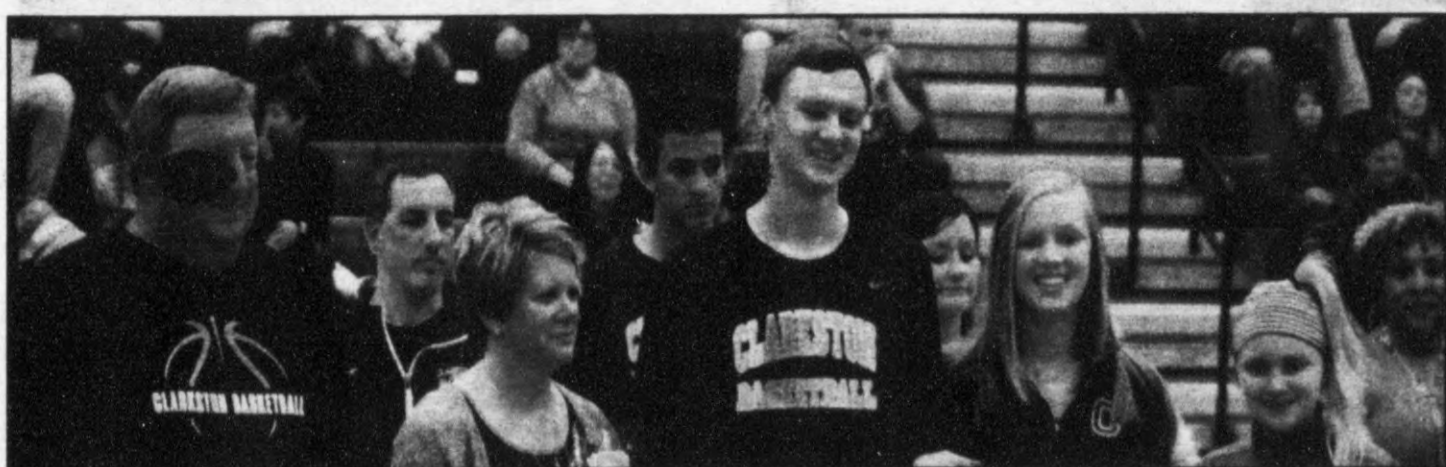
Taylor Currie and his parents.



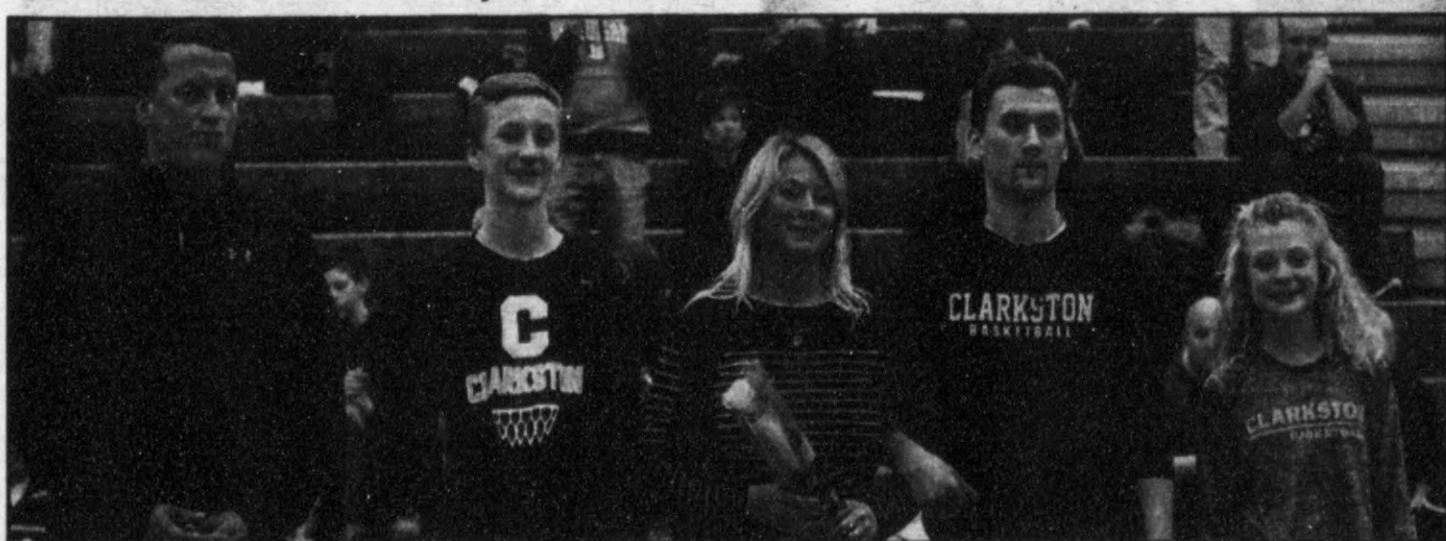
CJ Robinson with his parents



Chase Wasilk with his family.



Hank Schemmel and his family.



Foster Loyer with his family. Photo by Larry Wright



Nick Wells with his family.

## Senior finals

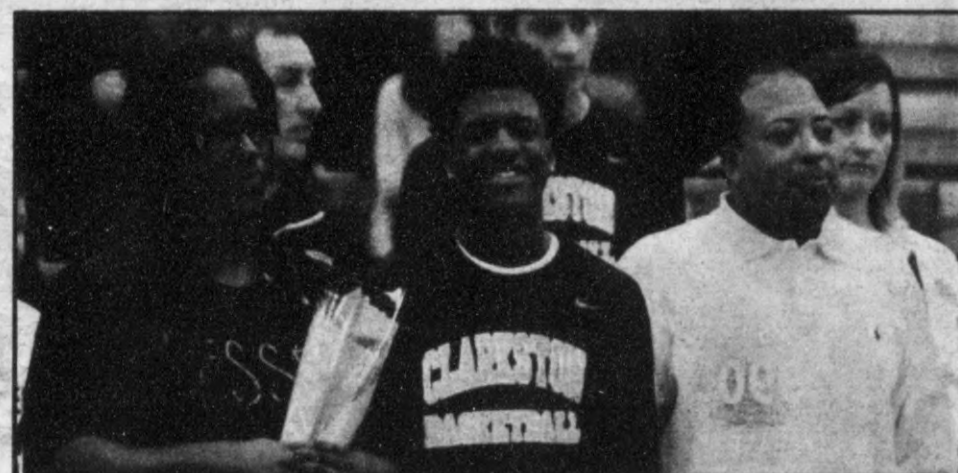
The Clarkston Boys Varsity Basketball team celebrated their 11 seniors during the last home game as they hosted Hazel Park, March 1.

Congratulations Wolves - Max Anderson, Taylor Currie, Tieler Houston, Thomas Kithier, Foster Loyer, Demond Mills-Bradly, Tristen Mysen, CJ Robinson, Hank Schemmel, Chase Wasilk and Nick Wells. Good luck!

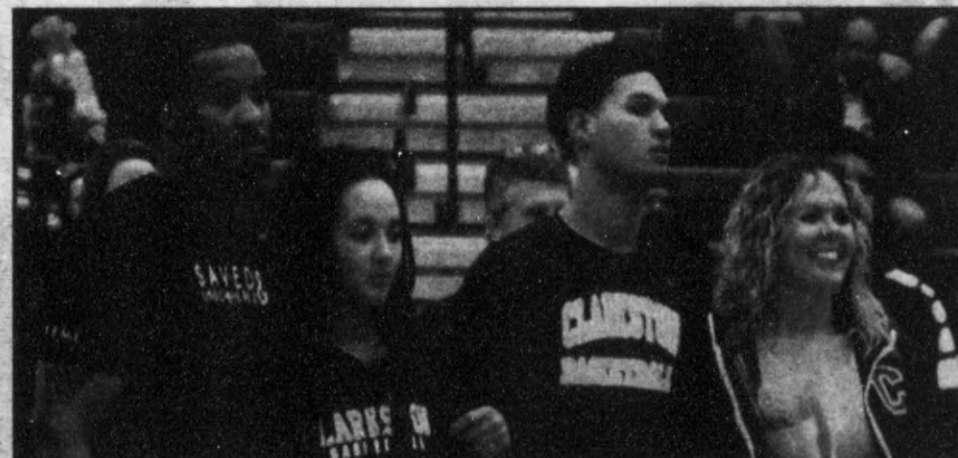
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Tristen Mysen with his family.



Demond Mills-Bradley and his parents.



Tieler Houston with his family.



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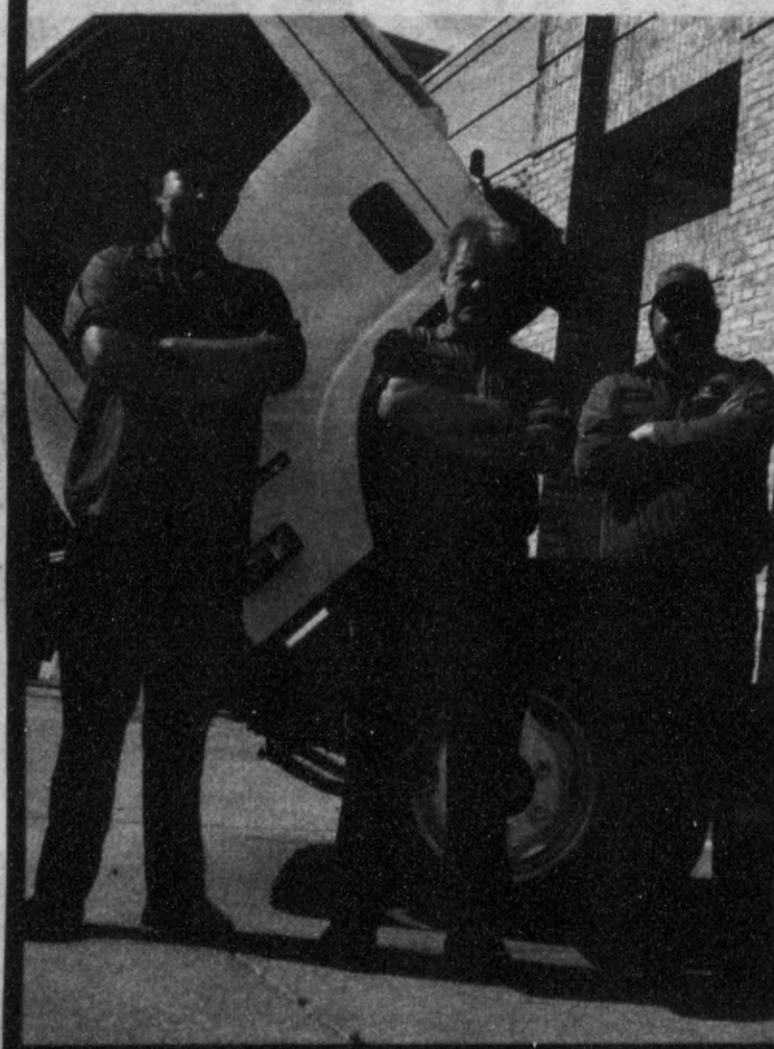
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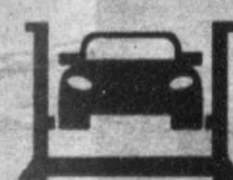
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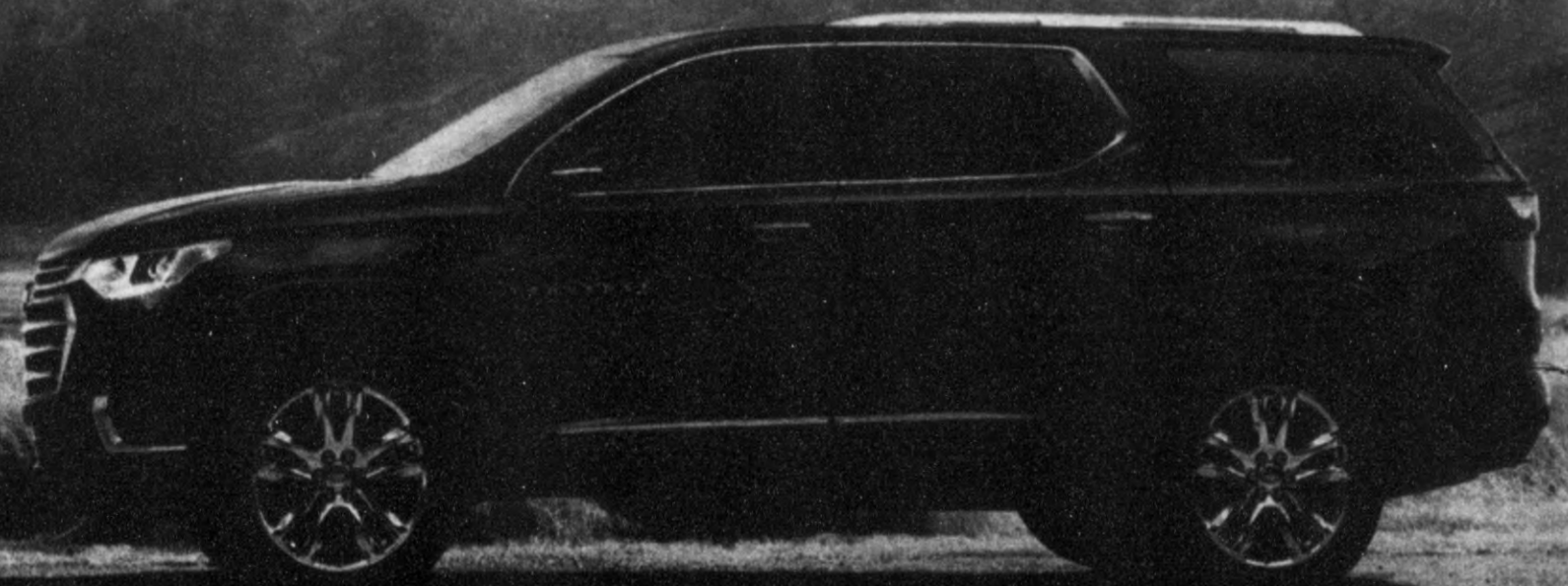


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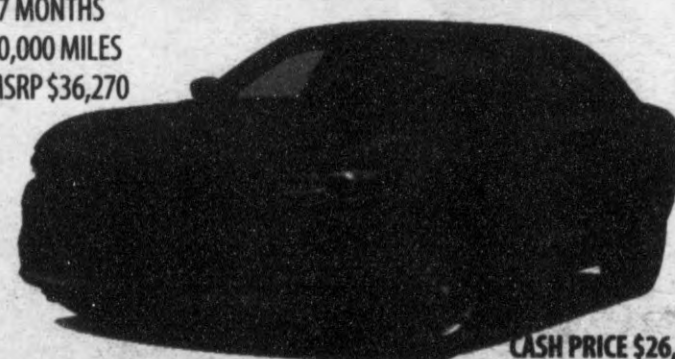
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