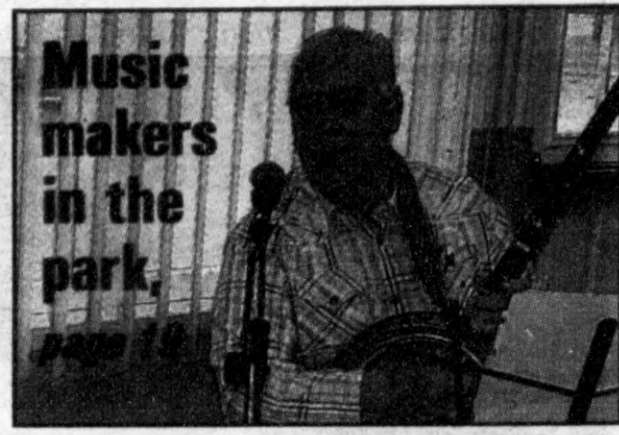


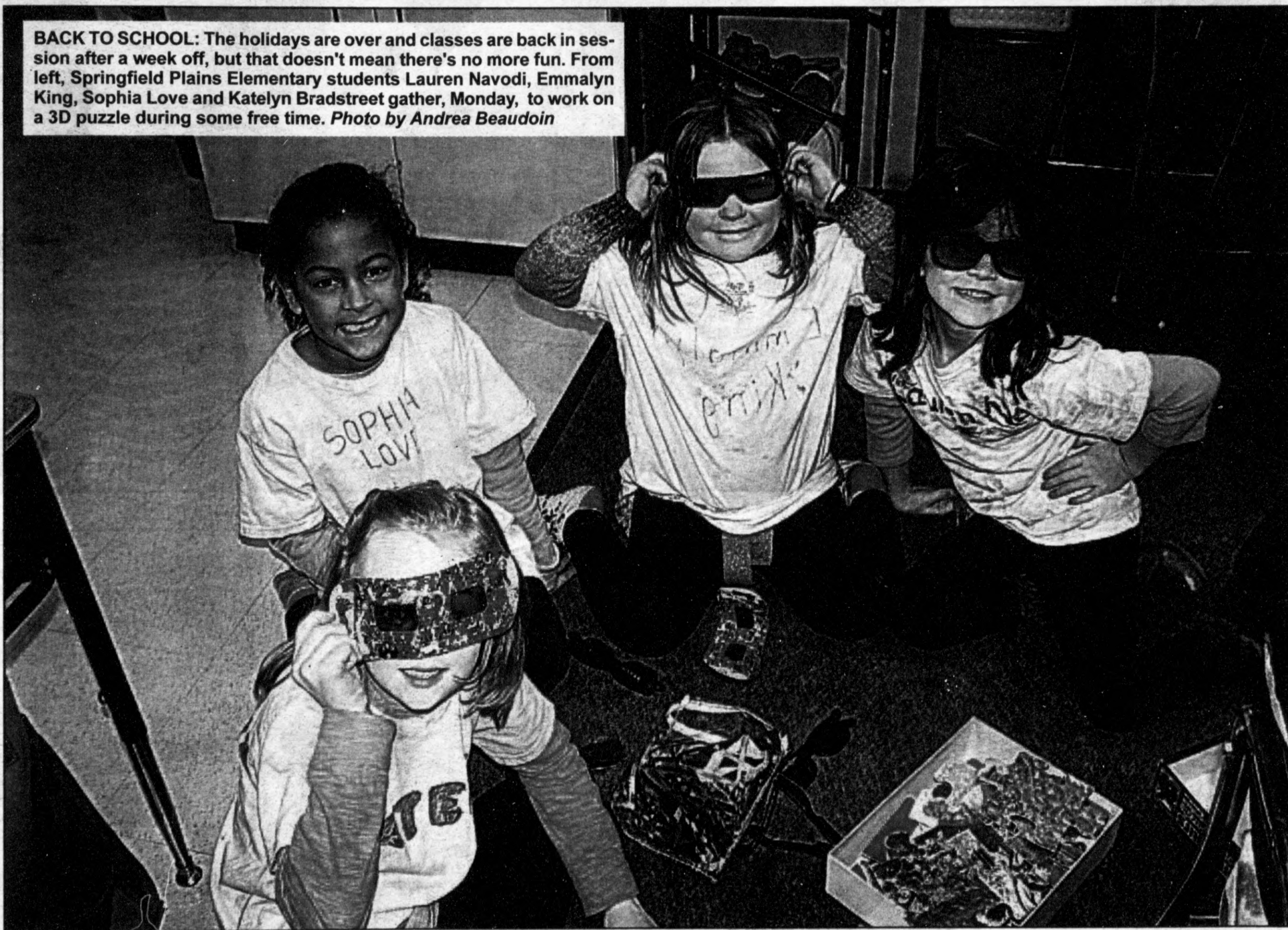
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**BACK TO SCHOOL:** The holidays are over and classes are back in session after a week off, but that doesn't mean there's no more fun. From left, Springfield Plains Elementary students Lauren Navodi, Emmalyn King, Sophia Love and Katelyn Bradstreet gather, Monday, to work on a 3D puzzle during some free time. *Photo by Andrea Beaudoin*



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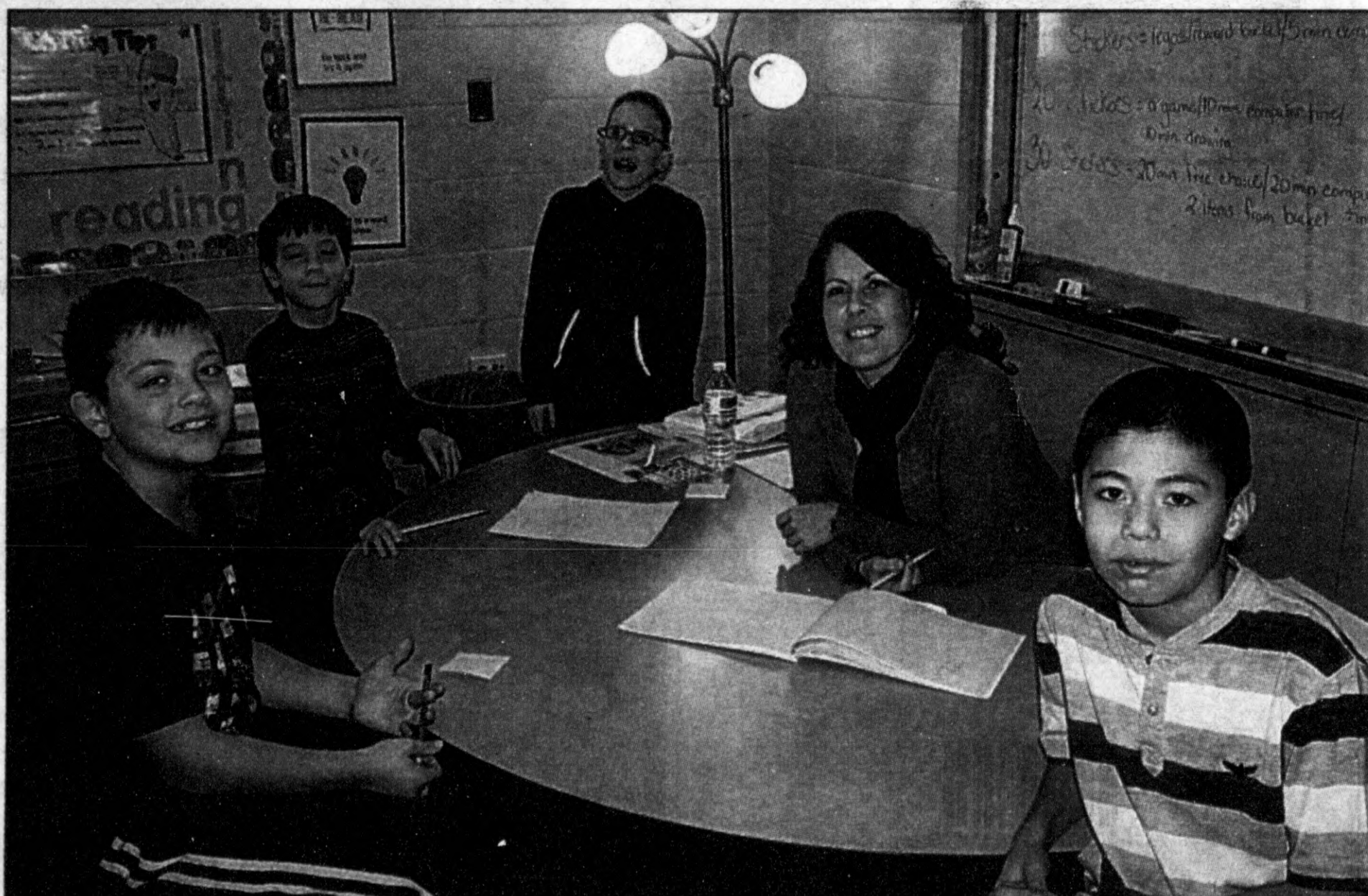
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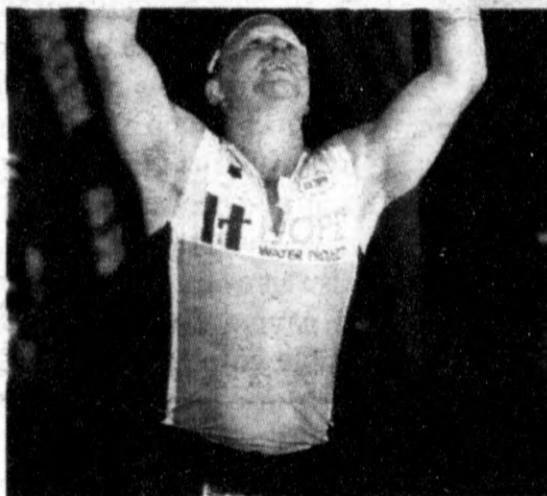
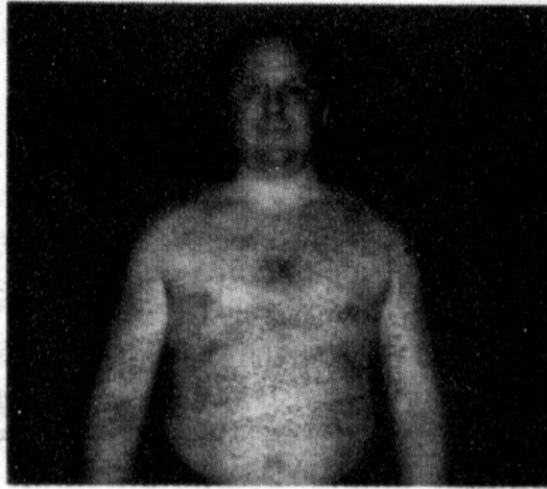
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Springfield Plains Elementary teacher Jennifer Fleaelling meets with Jack Berry, Eli Peel, Kyle Arnold and Dustin Villnueva-Mancia. *Photos by Andrea Beaudoin*

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**Started at 232 lbs. with high blood pressure, dangerously elevated triglycerides, and 20.6% body fat. Was transformed to 180 lbs. 120/78 blood pressure, 13% body fat, and off all RX medications.**

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It was time for Ironman. I was humbled standing there at the start amongst 2,500 athletes. They were all so lean, muscular, ripped. My coach said, "Dave, you ARE now one of those athletes. You are lean and ripped, just like them." I hadn't realized it, but I was no longer the fat weightlifter. Transformation successful!

*-Dave VanEpps*

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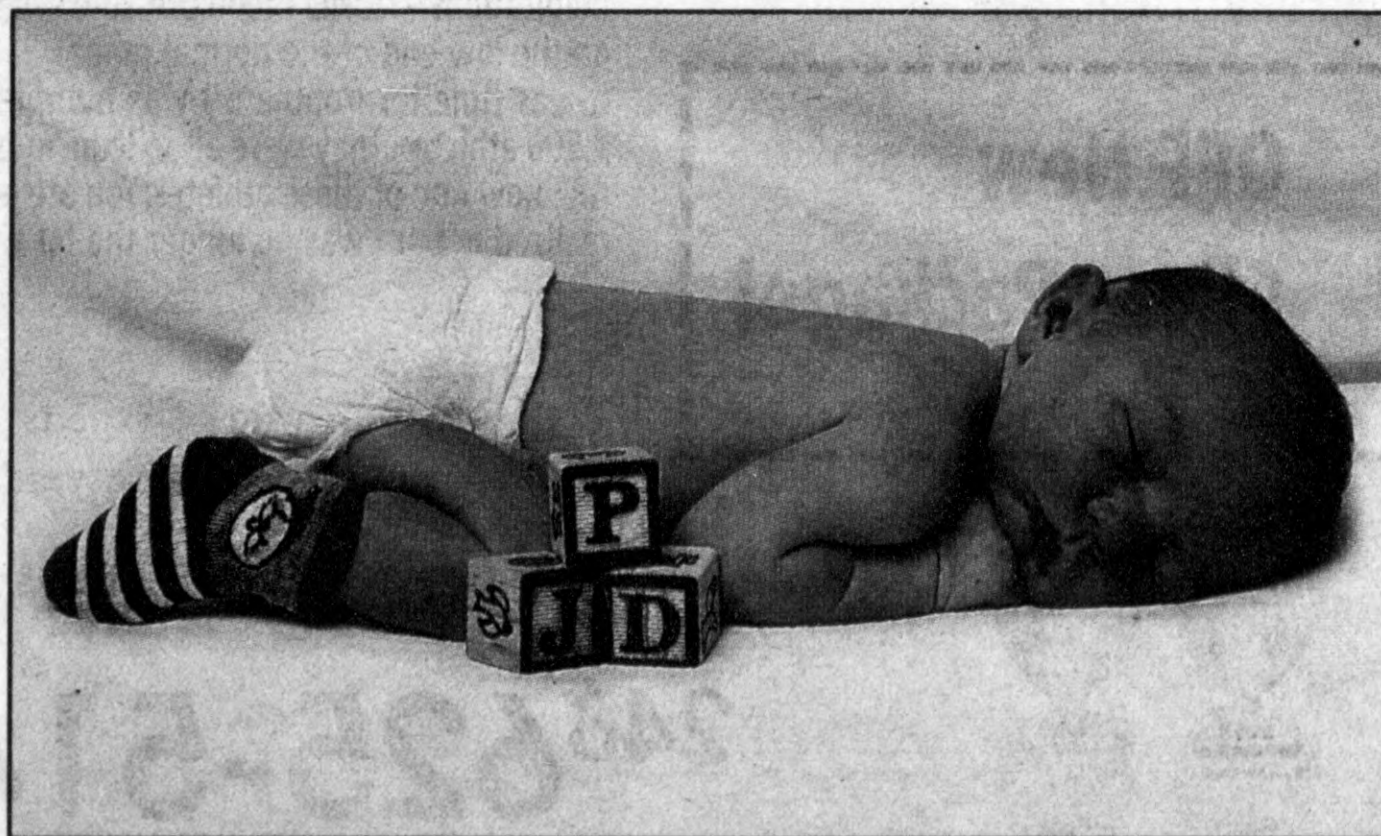
## Williams – Brown

Adam Williams and Courtney Brown of Clarkston are happy to announce their engagement to be married.

Williams, the son of Denis and Elaine Williams, flew in from the United Kingdom for the surprise

proposal on New Year's Eve at midnight.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Kenneth Brown and Brenda Durci, and a dog obedience trainer with Oakland County 4H. The couple has been together for five years.



Jonathan David Price

## Welcome Jonathan!

Wendi Reardon and Michael Price welcomed their first child Jonathan David Price into the world on Dec. 10, 2015, at Crittenton Hospital.

Jonathan was born at 8:17 a.m. weighing nine

pounds and five ounces at 21.5 inches.

Proud grandparents are Terry Reardon of Oxford, Joy Reardon of Oakland Township, and Ronald and the late Judith Price of Lake Orion.

## School survey

BY ANDREAM BEAUDOIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston Community School officials are looking for residents' opinions on buildings, traffic flow, safety, and other issues, so they're conducting an online survey.

"A strong and vibrant school system is important to community unity and success," said Deputy Superintendent Shawn Ryan.

A facilities evaluation of school property and facilities is underway, Ryan said.

"In this process, all buildings and sites are being evaluated, providing both a snapshot in time and a look forward to the district's current and anticipated needs," he said. "We have invested in our school district over the years and that is paying dividends through stable enrollment and expansion in educational offerings from pre-school to college and career prep."

It includes traffic flow, separation of pedestrians and vehicles, parking lot sizes and conditions, playground safety, drainage, pavement and concrete conditions and overall accessibility.

Facilities issues also include safety and security in and around the buildings, roofing, windows, doors, wall systems, mechanical systems, electrical systems, interior finishes, technology infrastructure, technology equipment, educational program requirements, and operational efficiencies.

The survey, provided at no cost to the district at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/ClarkstonCS](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ClarkstonCS), takes 5-10 minutes. Results will be available in 3-4 months.

"The intent is to inform the community regarding this facilities assessment process and glean feedback from you regarding current facilities, operations and programming. Your input as a parent and/or community member is valued and important to this process," Ryan said.

# City sets goals for the new year

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Clarkston Planning Commission was the first city board to meet in 2016, and they took the opportunity to set some goals for the new year.

Goals include supporting the Master Plan; complete site plan reviews in a timely manner; complete training for all members; bring surface zoning ordinance enforcement issues to the attention of city administration; complete the Master Plan with more recent demographics; and schedule joint meetings with the city council and historic commission.

"Supporting the existing Master Plan is really important," said Commissioner Frank Schoebel at the Jan. 4 meeting. "Master plan enforcement of the zoning ordinance is something important we should follow up on."

Surface zoning enforcement includes parking, which was a major issue in 2015.

"We're not the enforcement arm, as we said during the parking issue," said Commission member Michael Sabol.

The commission achieved three of four goals in 2015, Sabol said.

Last year's goals were to support the Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance enforcement; complete site plan reviews in a timely manner; complete draft Zoning Ordinance and forward to City Council for review and approval; and complete training for all members.

The training wasn't completed because state programs had been put on hold, Sabol said.

"We're looking into that," he said. "We're batting .750. I consider the other item a walk — we had no choice there."

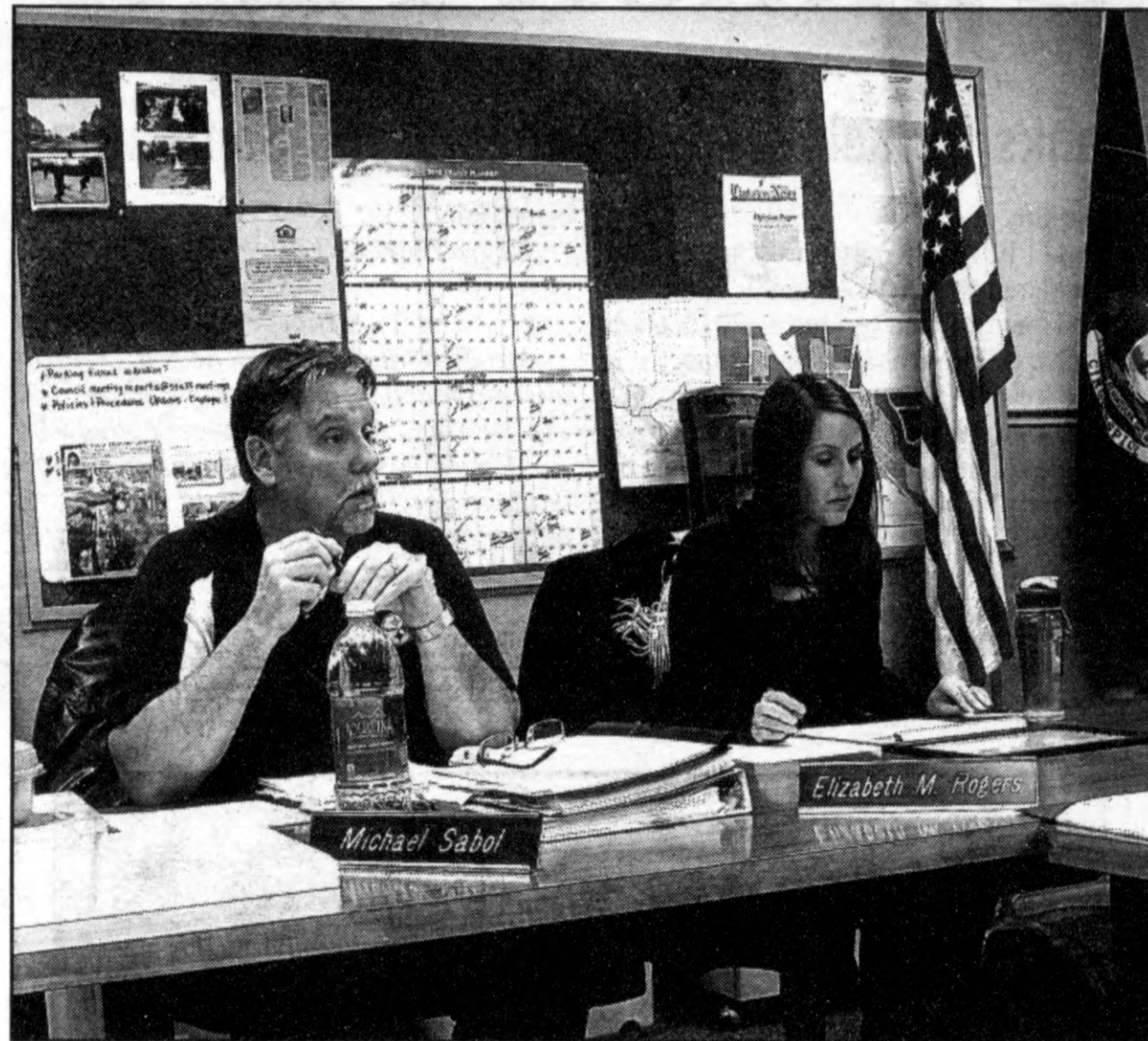
The commission voted 4-0 to approve the goals, along with commissioners Elizabeth M. Rogers and Derek Werner. Commissioner Robert Bondy was absent. The planners' next meeting is Feb. 1 at 7 p.m.

Mayor Protem Eric Haven said one of his goals on City Council is more citizen involvement in Depot Park.

"As chairman of the Friends of Depot Park, a subcommittee of the City Council, I would like to see qualitative enhancements made in beautiful Depot Park in 2016 by coordinating the talents and resources of many who love our community," Haven said.

Council member Sharron Catallo said she is looking forward to planting new trees in Clarkston because of a grant the city received in 2015.

"As the chairperson of the Tree Committee, I am looking forward to the spring of 2016, to continue the tree plantings started last fall," Catallo said. "Replacing street trees lost to age and storm damage allows us to keep our tree-lined streets and an atmosphere that represents the well-being of



Clarkston Planning Commission members Michael Sabol and Elizabeth Rogers discuss goals for the new year. Photo by Phil Custodio



Planning Commissioners Derek Werner, at left, and Frank Schoebel.

Clarkston."

City Manager Carol Eberhardt said administration goals include completing an addition to City Hall, complete a parking study or studies and develop short and long range plans for parking improvements; develop

short and long term goals for the improvement of Depot Park and prioritize projects; increase citizen communication with the help of the communications committee leveraging the newly developed website; and completion of the south Depot Park bridge project.

## Briefly

### \$5,000 more for roads

Independence Township Board increased funding for neighborhood road improvements from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

The Neighborhood Repair Improvement Program was created to address residential roads in serious disrepair.

"Such road conditions have resulted in not only traffic and pedestrian safety concerns, but they also have a detrimental effect on the character, appearance, marketability and property values in these neighborhoods," said Director of Assessing Stacey Bassi at the Dec. 22 board meeting.

Under the program, residents can apply for partial funding to cover repaving and repairing existing neighborhood roads.

"The goal of the NRIP is to encourage and assist neighborhoods with improving public safety and revitalizing the appearance and character of their own neighborhoods," Bassi said.

Road improvements enhance marketability and overall value of the properties, she said.

For more information about the plan, call Independence Township at 248-625-5111.

### Planning officers

Commissioner Derek Werner was reappointed chairman of the Clarkston Planning Commission at its Jan. 4 meeting.

Frank Schoebel was reappointed as secretary; and Elizabeth M. Rogers was appointed co-chair.

The appointments were approved unanimously, 4-0, along with the vote of commission member Michael Sabol. Commissioner Robert Bondy was absent.

### Grad tips with PTSA

Clarkston High School PTSA hosts Get More Out of Your High School Diploma, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 7:40-8:45 p.m. in the high school LGI room, 6093 Flemings Lake Road.

Topics include how to earn certifications and college/university credits, how electives can also fulfill high school graduation requirements, tips for testing out of classes, graduation requirement replacement and waiver opportunities, and how planning courses 3-4 years ahead can help.

For more information, email Cheryl McNeil at CHSPTSApresident1@gmail.com.

## Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

### Back on the path

I have a soft spot for this time of year, with its opportunity for New Year's resolutions and new beginnings.

It was a New Year's resolution to lose weight in 2013 that kicked off a year-long weight-loss drive resulting in the way I look at the moment.

It still happens that someone who hasn't seen me in a while will be surprised by how I look. I appreciate those sentiments, which help keep this thing going.

Because from everything I've ever read or heard, keeping weight off is the hard part. Like how the landing is the hard part of falling off a cliff? Sort of like that.



I can see how relapses happen. I'm filled with billions of starved, shrunken fat cells, each and every one crying out to be refilled. I listen to them all, even if I try not to. I have a recurring dream where I look in the mirror and see I'm fat again, and I'm like, "what happened?"

I'm heading down that road already, especially with the recent holiday feasts.

But with the new year I'm remembering how to turn it back around.

Stay out of the middle aisles of the grocery store. No more apple pies, even if they're on clearance. More fruits and vegetables.

Turn down free food, which is surprisingly available especially during the holidays. I still have to work on that one. Realize the futility of eating a lot, which only makes me want to eat more. When I eat some junk food, my body is like, "that was great. So what's next." So there's no point in trying to satisfy it.

And keep running. I'm running from the 265-pound me of just a few years ago. He's not that fast, but awfully relentless. Running's not enough to burn off everything I'd like to eat, which is quite a bit, but it burns a lot and helps in lots of other ways.

Clarkston's Wolfpack running group, which I've become a fan of over the past few years, is a huge benefit. I run farther and faster with them on Saturdays than I would on my own.

They gave me the "Most Erratic Attendance by a Male" for 2015. Apparently, I've only been going to newsworthy running events lately.

So I might have to bump up my work with them this year. They're all newsworthy anyway.

# Opinion Pages

Letters, columns & Editorials

## Thanks for help from deputies, Good Samaritan

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank and commend the Oakland County Sheriff's deputies who intervened on my behalf on Dec. 9, 2015, after receiving a call from a Good Samaritan.

I was treated with respect and dignity after experiencing a severe allergic reaction. They looked after my welfare and transported me promptly to McLaren Hospital for medical attention.

It is an honor to have these brave and professional men and women serving our

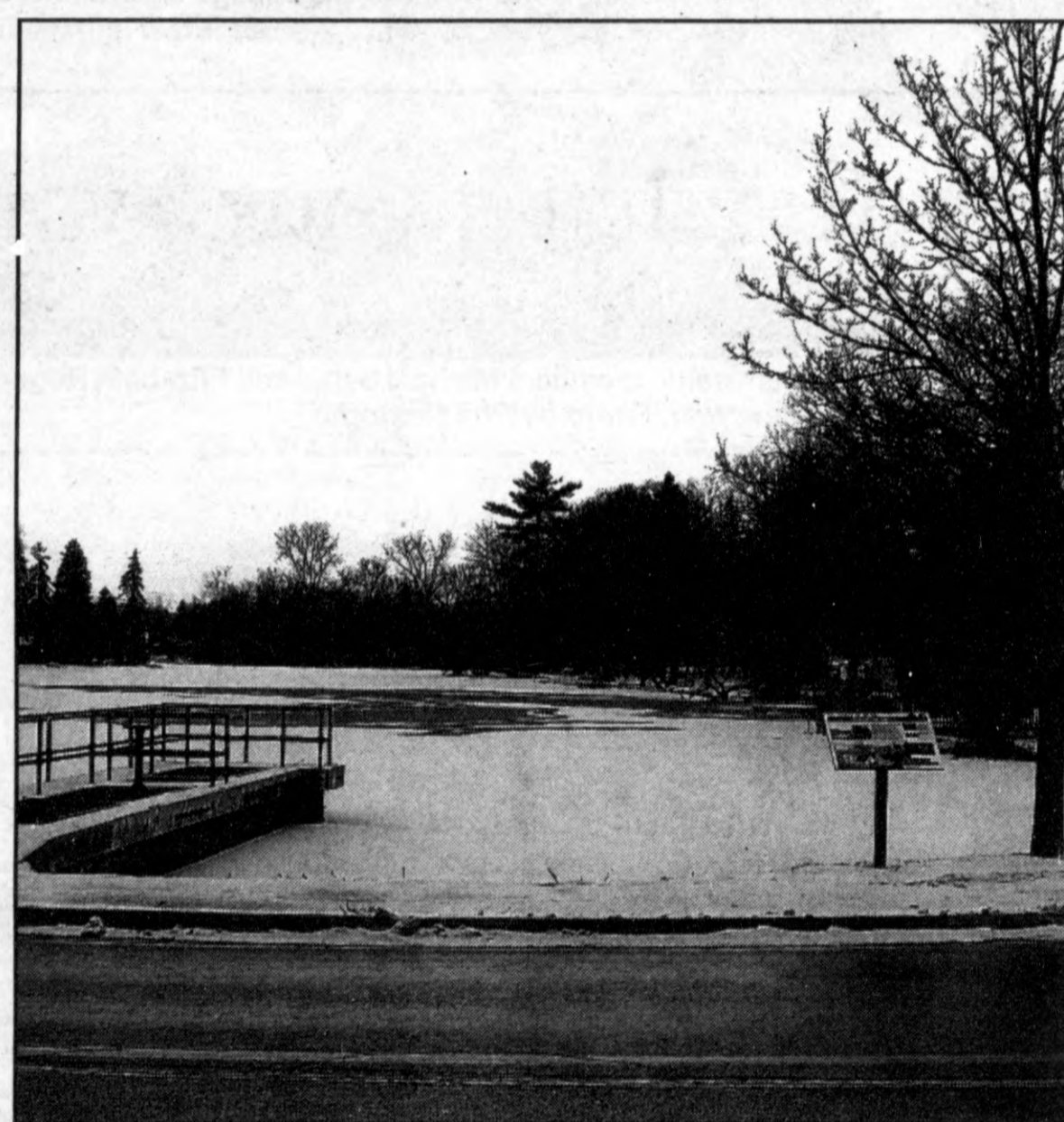
community.

Respectfully,

**Kenneth Rittenhouse**  
Independence Township

*Mr. Rittenhouse said he suffered an allergic reaction to something he ate, fell in a parking lot, and a stranger called 911.*

*"Then they stopped me from getting into my truck and driving away," he said. "I have no idea who it was. I was really out of it. Thank God they stopped to take care of me."*



**WEEKEND ICE:** The weather was frosty last weekend, freezing over Mill Pond in downtown Clarkston on Monday, but will get a little warmer as it heads into the weekend coming up. Wednesday's weather was forecast to be sunny with a high of 32 degrees in the day time, followed by a low of 32 at night. Thursday will be partly sunny with a high of 37 and a low of 30 degrees with a chance of rain or snow. Showers are likely through the weekend with temperatures rising from 39 on Friday to 41 on Saturday. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

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## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 2001

**"Massage facility gets tentative approval"** If all went as planned, the owner of Bangkok, Inc., Yon Suk Kim would be running a massage parlor in Independence Township. Though eyebrows raised because the business would be housed the same building Oakland County Sheriff's Department raided a year before for prostitution.

**"Dateline: London"** Andy Borchers updated the community about trip to England the members of the Clarkston High School Marching Band, Symphonic Wind Ensemble, parents and siblings went on.

**"Sound the alarm! Icers are 9-1-1"** The Clarkston Varsity Ice Hockey team won the Alpena Christmas Classic Tournament and only gave up one goal in their two victories with a 2-0 win over Alpena and a 2-1 win over East Kentwood.

### 25 years ago - 1991

**"Lawsuit against school goes to court"** An architect fired by the Clarkston Board of Education in 1989 turned down an out-of-court settlement offered by the district and opted to take the matter to trial.

**"Exhibit promotes art education"** The work of 28,000 school children from Clarkston, Brandon, Holly, Lake Orion and Waterford would be displayed in a unique presentation in the spring at the new Pine Knob in Independence Township in the first Student Spectacular.

**"Phone number shortage means dialing '1-313'"** Michigan Bell customers in the Clarkston area would soon be using a new dialing procedure to make long distance calls within the 313 area code. The new dialing procedure was being phased in throughout the 313 area to avert a phone number shortage predicted for early 1992.

### 50 years ago - 1966

**"School board approves the purchase of four buses"** The purchase of four four coach-type school busses was approved by the Clarkston Board of Education for \$44,110 each.

**"A.J. Turner wins Springfield contest"** Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Turner of Davisburg were the first place winners for the Springfield Township Outdoor Decorating Contest.

**"Local news"** The Floyd Tower family enjoyed a family day as they watched the movie "Sleeping Beauty" which the children enjoyed followed by dinner at a local restaurant.

# The Jotter has a lot on his mind while watching tv

If you're looking for a routine, try mine.

Get up early, find the mute button for my TV before I get talked into ordering some mattresses and pillows.

Remember to hit mute when you think it's time for the ultimate vacuum, and "perfect" pressure cooker commercials.

I've saved so much money by using the mute button and not ordering stuff from Art Van I can afford to try Home Depot.

\* \* \*

Love your pet, trust your vet.

Recidivism. Not only did I need help finding the spelling of that word, I never did get its meaning, which left

me with no answer why President Obama used the word three times in a speech to us before he went on a vacation.

## Jim's Jottings



a column by  
Jim Sherman

Next time I hear U of M football is going to be televised, I'm loading my recorder with Pixar movies (they're the ones who feature cartoon characters) and they're the ones who can replace the Wolverines gridiron actions. Bring on the clowns and other mishandlers.

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I've never eaten a whole pepper,

I've picked plenty, tasted a few but the only time I took a bite of a red or green pepper, it burned my tender mouth.

This is the same mouth that spews tender words of wisdom, but not when it comes to peppers. Lately some tv cooks are shown barbecuing whole peppers.

Yuck!

To me, cooks on tv have but one use for peppers, and that is to add color. Maybe I need a Medicare supplement.

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My tube tries to convince me a walk-in tub can change my life. Sure, so can a chunk of ice. It can put me in

a wheel chair instead of my favorite lounge.

The tube also offers me a wide choice of attorneys who assure me over and over that if I use their firm I'll get bigger settlements because I DESERVE MORE.

Wow! With that assurance I feel like walking into truck traffic.

A man at a local bar heard me talking about pain removers for my joints. He got my attention when he told me using olive oil does it for him.

That's better than waiting in a doctor's office for a prescription.

Remember in your youth trying to save enough money to get a banana split? M-M-M Good!

## Don wants to know what's your 'word for 2016?'

Yikes. It seems like it's been a year since I've written you all! (Okay, that's a turn on an old joke. I apologize. Sorta.) When I finish this, the first *Don't Rush Me* of 2016, I will only have 51 more to write. And, when I look at it that way, it seems kinda daunting. Maybe even a little scary.

Over the years, folks have asked me how I come up with ideas for my column. I think it's kinda funny because they asked me that early in my *Don't Rush Me* writing career, and less so with over 1,500 columns put to bed.

I reckon I'm lucky because I have been afforded the opportunity to write about whatever pops into my melon.

As this is the first column of this year, I could write about *Don's Resolutions for 2016*. But, I ain't gonna' do it. No-sir-ee. I hate to put down in print something that might not come to pass. (I think that is called CYA, covering your derriere.) So, whilst I shan't make new year resolutions, I have come up with something else to help guide me through 2016. I have chosen a word, a single word, that I hope to ponder or reflect on, before taking action.

My word was going to be "canoodle" because everybody, especially me, needs more kissing and cuddling amorously in their life. And while we all know canoodling is cool, I thought maybe, just maybe I needed a more thoughtful word. I closed my eyes, sat down and crossed my legs lotus position like, touched my thumbs to my middle fingers, cleared my mind and breathed deeply.

## Don't Rush Me



A column by  
Don Rush

Let me say Canoodle is strong, tough word and while I was in a state of mindful peace and openness It wanted to fill me -- and in Technicolor! I would have none of it (or not much of it), and mentally I pushed on in search of my word for 2016. I jumped off the fluffy, white cloud of canoodling into a clear blue sky, not knowing where I would land.

And, it hit me like the ground had I fallen from that cloud.

Valor.

My guiding word for 2016, that which will light the path before me, is *valor*. Wow. Now, that is a word for you! If you are not much of a wordy and more of a texty, here is a definition of my word, valor: great courage in the face of danger, especially in battle.

Again, wow!

Life is fraught with danger. Around every corner of every decision you or I make, danger lurks. The decisions and actions we all make and take can lead us to ruin or to something truly wonderful. Sometimes we make bad decisions; sometimes we take the "easy" way out; and sometimes we back into situations instead of meeting life head on.

Should we act with valor will we not have a better shot of making the right call, doing the good thing and living the life we want?

I know, I know. I agree there are no guarantees in life and acting courageously is no guarantee of happiness either, but danglabl it, it sure sounds good!

And, since Valor is now my adopted word, I also get to attached to my being the synonyms associated with it. Get a load of these synonyms I cut and pasted from the internet, and then tell me you are not jealous of my new word: bravery, courage, pluck, nerve, daring, fearlessness, audacity, boldness, dauntlessness, stout-

heartedness, heroism, backbone, spirit; informalguts, true grit, spunk; moxie.

Hubba-hubba!

I like moxie. I dig spunk and pluck. I yearn to be bold and daring. But, I admit, I had no idea what the heck *informalguts* was, so I looked it up on-line with the off shot I could find a new word this year and adopt said word next year. What I found for the word "informalguts" was this: *No human translation has been found.*

Upon further investigation, I have come to the conclusion *informalguts* is actually a typo. I think it's sposed to be "informal guts." I suppose we can create our own word informalguts and make up our own definition. Your call readers. Send me your definition and an example of how you would use informalguts in a sentence.

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While dining at Casa Real Mexican Restaurant and Cantina, I asked my two sons what their word for 2016 would be, adding there were no right or wrong answers. Fifteen-year-old Sean blurted out quickly, "endurance."

"I will have to have endurance to finish the book I am writing," said he.

Shamus, 18, was more thoughtful. And before answering he took another bite of nacho. Just like when standing at the wishing well and making your wish, if you want it to come true you keep it to yourself, so too Shamus acted. He looked up at me from his plate, smiled and nodded but kept it to himself. He had his word and he wanted it to be true.

You all know this year I will canoodle with pluck, and audacity, but what is your word? Let me know. E-mail your word to [Don@ShermanPublications.org](mailto:Don@ShermanPublications.org).

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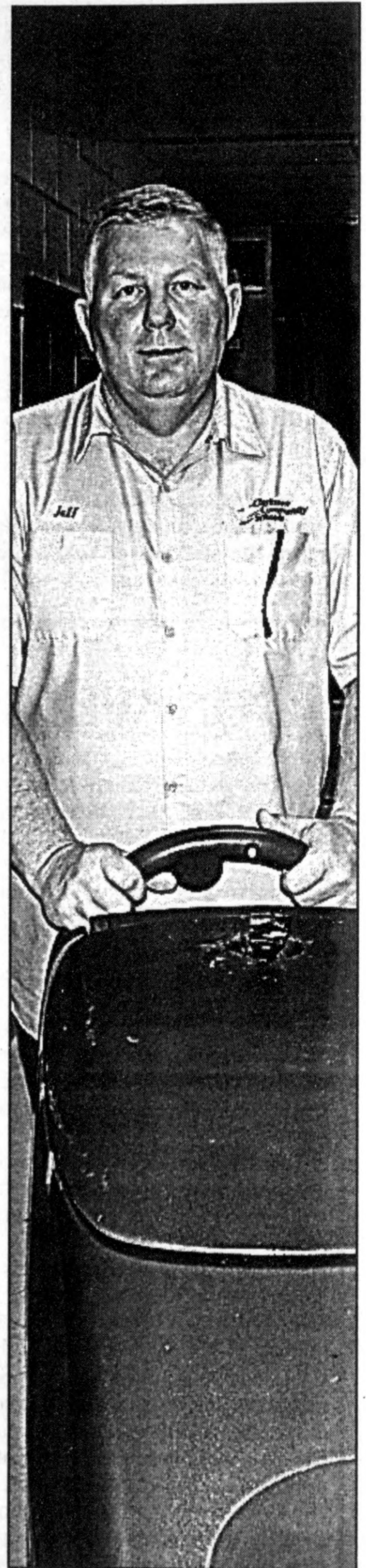
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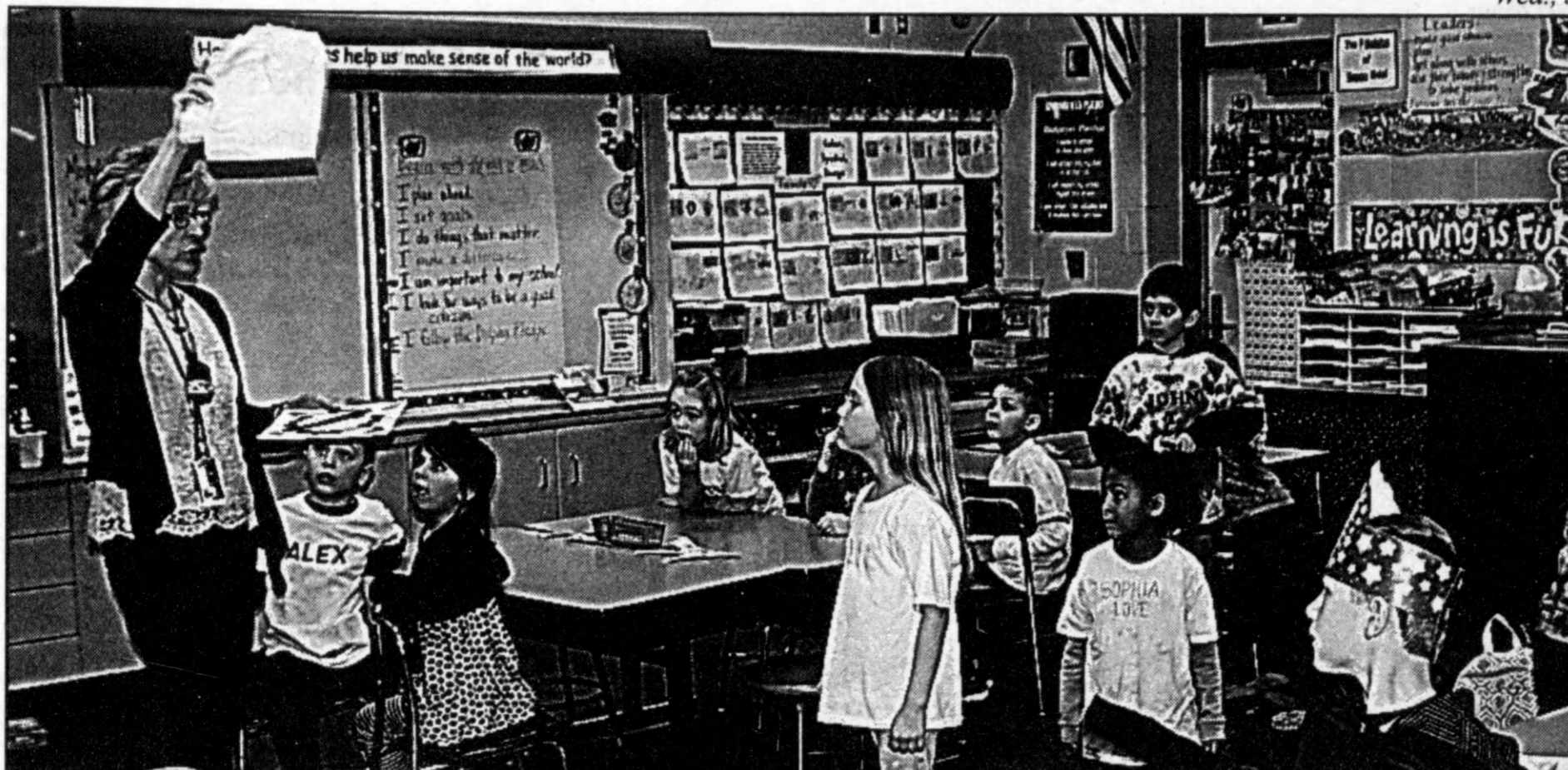
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**SODIUM FREE:** Springfield Plains Elementary Head Custodian Jeff Kelly works hard to keep the floors free of salt tracked into school from outside by students, teachers, and staff. *Photo by Andrea Beadoin*





After a long winter break, Erin Hill leads her first grade class in activities at Springfield Plains Elementary. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

## Electronic cig bust

An Independence Township resident called police to report her son using his Christmas money to buy an electronic vapor cigarette from an 18-year-old Independence Township man in the 6000 block of Shelley Drive, 5:30 p.m., Dec. 26.

The 18-year-old told deputies he was sent a text by the son, offering \$130 for an electronic cigarette. He accepted the offer and the money, but later texted he lost the money, and was given \$100 more. He then made the purchase, but the boy's mother came over before he could deliver it.

He was cited for contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and advised to cease contact with the boy.

**Call the Sheriff's Office with tips at 800-SPEAK-UP**

## School policy for violence

Clarkston Board of Education approved revised school safety policies at their Dec. 14 meeting.

The policy will now include threat assessments at school, following guidelines created by the U.S Secret Service and U.S Department of Education.

Threats include crime and violence inside and outside the school system.

"We want to interact with and engage students to resolve conflict," said Superintendent Dr. Rod Rock.

The assessment will be based on evidence of behavior and communication in certain circumstances, such as when a student makes a threat to others or themselves.

If violent crime exceeds a state established threshold, the superintendent must convene a meeting with school building administrator, local law enforcement, parents, and others to create a corrective action plan.

They will gather information, perform an evaluation, and create an individual plan to

reduce threats and help students.

Each year, the superintendent must submit a report to the state, outlining the number of students expelled and why they were removed from the district.

State law requires officials to submit a report about violence, drug cases, and other crimes.

Other policy changes include entrance requirements, foreign and foreign-exchange students, graduation requirements, animals on district property, and immunization.

Students who do not meet state immunization requirements can be suspended from the district unless a waiver is submitted. Waivers can be granted for a valid medical reason, religious beliefs, or vaccinations not due. In December 2014, the Joint Commission on Administrative rules required those seeking non-medical waivers, which are provided at the Oakland County Health Department, to speak with a health educator at the Oakland County Health Department.

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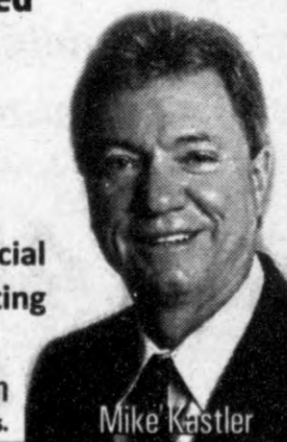
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# Clarkston's Sporting News

**Who is the next AOW?**

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**NEW YEAR'S RUN:** Clarkston Wolfpack running group celebrated New Year's Eve with a run from Depot Park through the Deerhill neighborhood in Clarkston. Photo by Phil Custodio

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## Runners' awards

Clarkston Wolfpack celebrated the New Year with a run and its 10th Anniversary of the Wolfpack Awards, Dec. 31 at Clarkston Tap.

**David Dearing** took three awards, Male Runner of the Year for his speedwork regimen plus indoor track workouts, Wolfpack Male Rookie of the Year, and Most Obsessive-Compulsive, for running an extra tenth of a mile in the parking lot after completing Jen Krausman's 50K event in February, to satisfy his GPS.

**Patricia Braunreuther** earned Female Runner of the Year and Female Rookie of the Year for winning her age group at the Brooksie Way and qualifying for the Boston Marathon

**George Skene III** earned the Leader of the Pack award for keeping the group together all year long, and Best Race Director for his work on multiple events and keeping social media going.

Awards also included **Marcie Lemieux**, Best Dressed, Shoes, and Accessorization; **Mike McIntyre**, Best Returning Runner; **Jen Krausman**, Most Masochistic, for drawing dozens into her 50K quest during February winter weather; and **Seyed Hajimirza**, Fair-Weather Runner of the Year and Dark Horse Award, for qualifying for Boston and completing an Ironman race.

- Phil Custodio



Runners gather at Clarkston Tap to select the Wolfpack 2015 award winners. Photo provided

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### Mass Schedule

**Sunday**

7:30, 9 & 11 a.m.

**Saturday**

5 p.m.

**Monday, Tuesday and**

**Friday**

8:30 a.m.

**Thursday**

11 a.m.

In the event of a Funeral Mass, weekday Masses will be cancelled.

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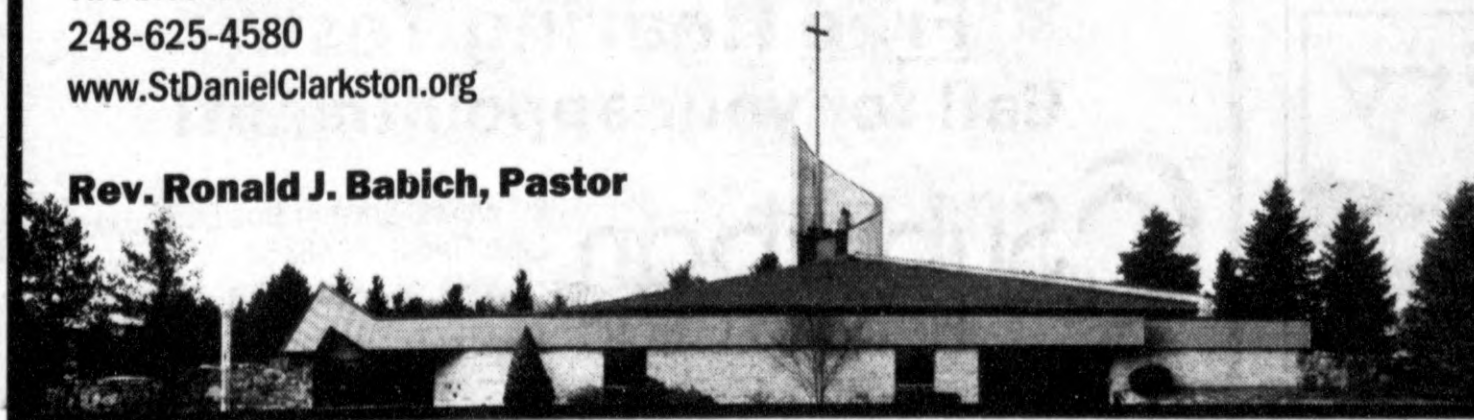
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**Wednesday, January 13**  
10:00 a.m.  
Study of Sunday Scriptures

**Sunday, January 10**  
All Masses-  
Feast of the Baptism  
of the Lord

**Wednesday, January 13**  
6:30 p.m.  
Evening Prayer

**Monday, January 11**  
7:00 p.m.  
Rosary Cenacle

**Wednesday, January 13**  
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Scripture Study

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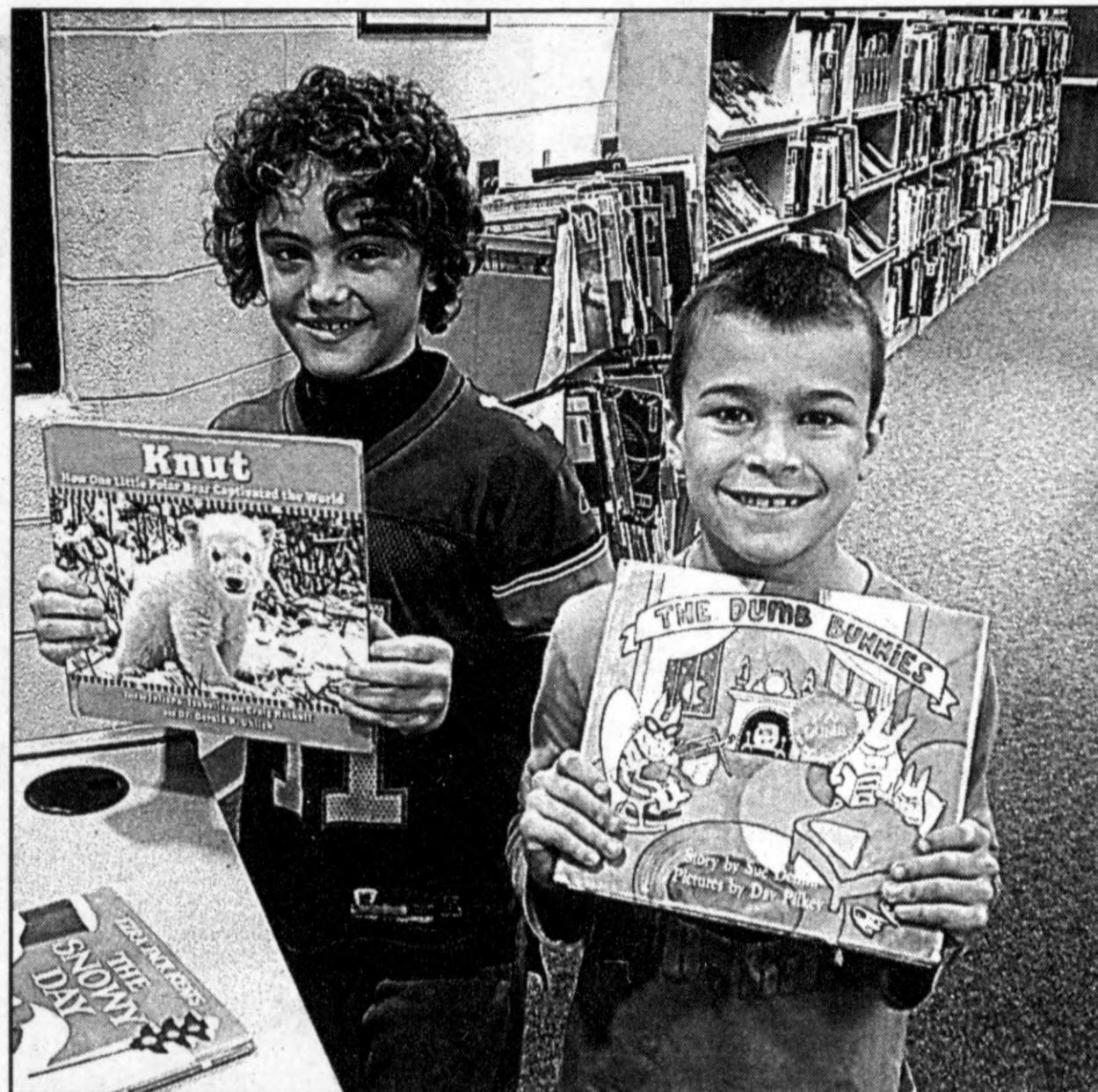
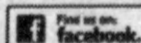
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INTERESTING READ: Mason Lenker and Gabe Mansour, second graders, visit the Springfield Plains Elementary library, Monday, to pick out some books to read. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

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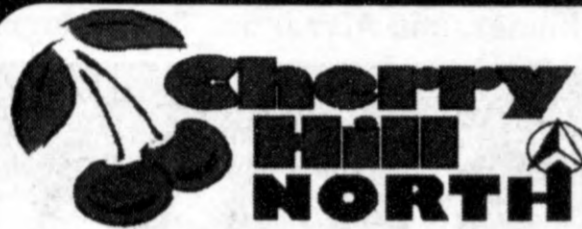
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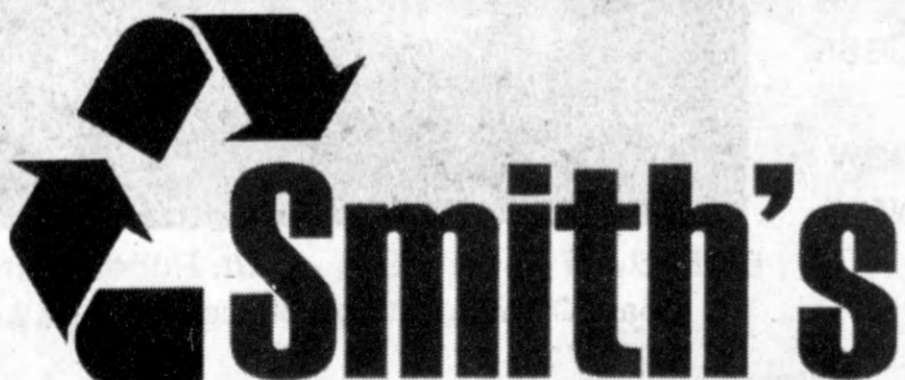
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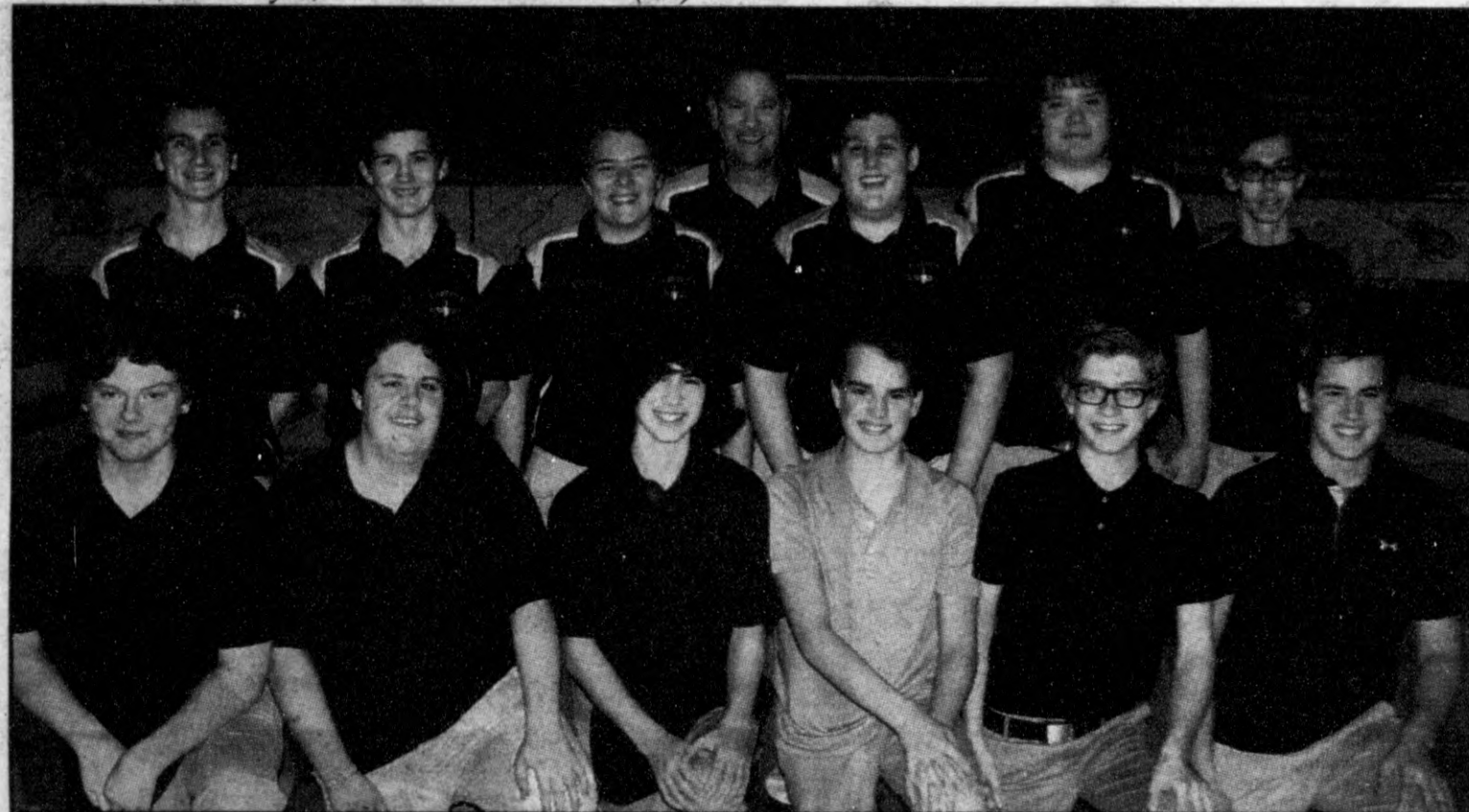
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Clarkston Varsity Boys team includes AJ Speer, Drew Sagowitz, Tim Cuthrell, Jake Phelps, Shaun Furness, Alex Clifford, and Jacob Kersten, coached by Elanor Hallman and Lenny Kersten.



Varsity Girls bowlers include Tess Horowitz, Hannah Allen, Kayla Yenshaw, Vicki Wolfgang, Samantha Lavelly, Lara Offermann, Blanca Ibanez, and Alexandra Touchstone.

## Bowlers back on the lanes this winter

Clarkston Varsity and Junior Varsity Bowling teams are back from winter break.

Results so far this season include: Early Bird Tournament at Drakeshire Lanes In Farmington, second place for the boys team.

Individually, Tess Horowitz, 586; and Jacob Kersten, 731.

OAA Red Singles Tournament at Collier Lanes in Oxford, Tim Cuthrell, 664-253, second seed; Alex Clifford, 607-224; AJ Speer, 661-252, fourth seed; Kersten, 635-

226, fifth seed; Speer beat Decong 179-171, lost Towns 209-205; Cuthrell beat Maynard, 200-148, lost Kersten, 240-210; Kersten beat Shady, 257-246, beat Cuthrell, 240-210, and beat Towns, 226-169, for the championship.



JV Boys bowlers include Leo Chasse, Emerson Stover, Ryan Little, Derek Childs, Justin Fisher, Kyle Hancsak, Drew Clayton, Glenn Rose, Justin Evans, Josh Morgan, Jacob Corey, and Jake Cohoon

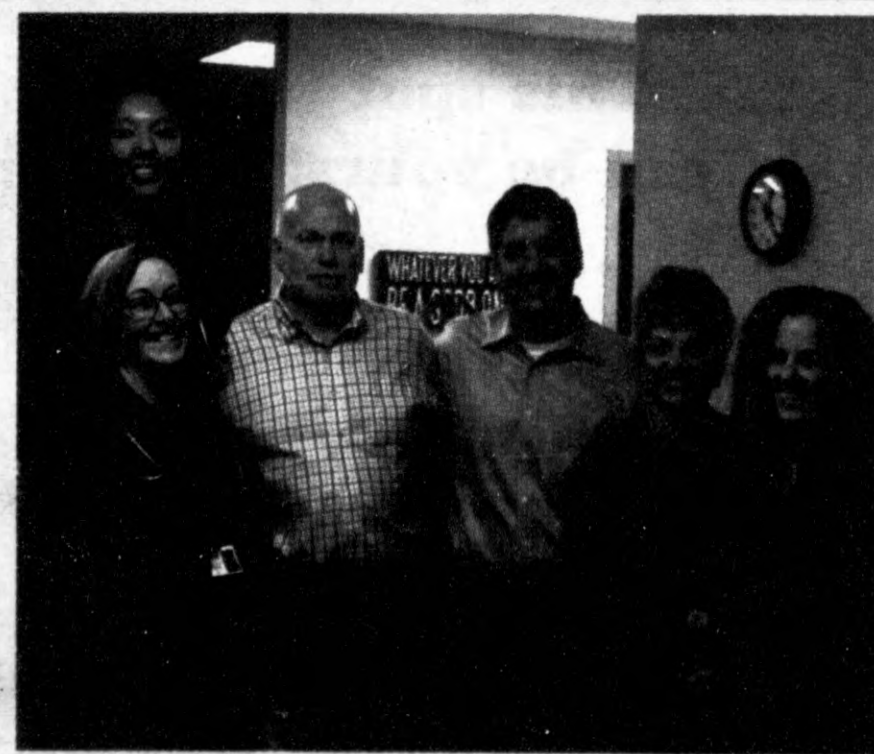
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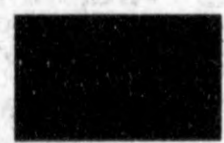
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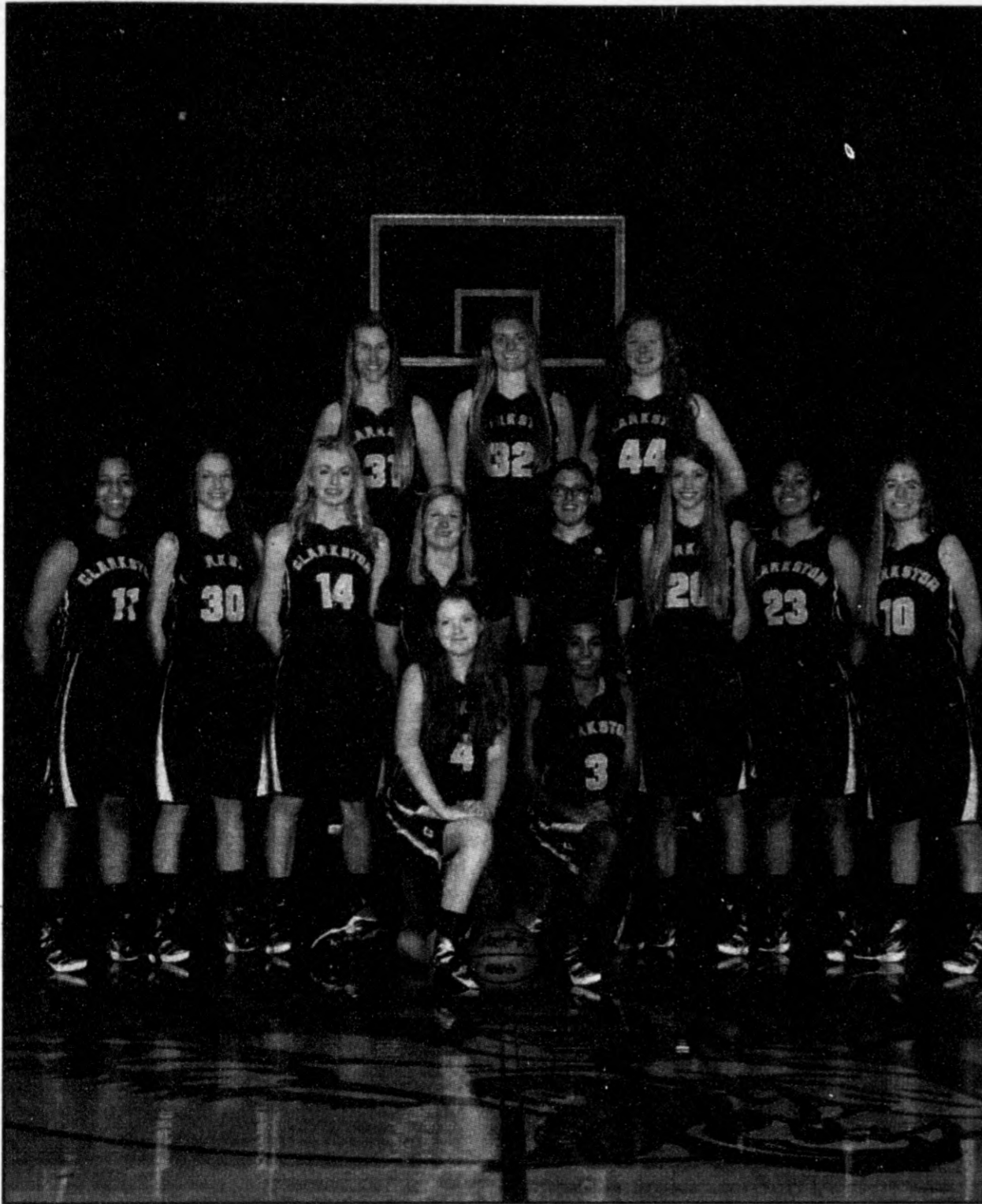
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Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball team. Photo by Visual Sports Network

## Team brings intensity to court

Intensity, hustle and a drive is what fans will see on the court as the Clarkston Girls Varsity Basketball team returns from winter break.

Returners Alyssa Bey, Kayla Russell and Kayla Luchenbach explained with a new coach, Christine Rogers, and a young team how they will continue to excel.

Russell added the new players work really hard on the court.

"They want to prove, just like anyone else on this team, they belong on the team," she said.

"They bring a lot of intensity to the court," Luchenbach added.

The team has six returners back from last season. Russell added they only played for a small amount but they do bring experience and leadership.

"We know what we have to do in order to win games," she said.

All three explained this season will be fun to watch because fans will get to see them play a fast-paced, entertaining game.

"Everyone has their own ability," Bey said.

"We are all going to contribute in different

ways," Russell smiled.

The different ways can be seen in their strengths which includes having a variety of different shooters as well as getting everybody to the basket faster and moving well as a team.

"We get the feel on how everyone likes to play and where everyone likes to play," Russell said, adding it will help with the overall game. She added one of the goals of the season is not to repeat old patterns and execute every game.

"We have had this repeating pattern of beating teams the entire season and then when we play our district game, which counts the most, we lose to the same teams," she explained.

The team is looking forward to playing Stoney Creek and Southfield Lathrup, which they play twice in January and February.

The Lady Wolves are sophomores Maddie Beck, Alli Buscher, Luchenbach, Molly Nicholson, Madeleine Wiscombe; juniors Mary McKillop, Kristen Page; seniors Bey, Russell, Kelsey Hunt and Kailan Mehta.

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**Kindermusik Open House**, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Jan. 7, Clarkston Conservatory of Music, 49 S Main Street, 248-625-3640.

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**Blood drives**, American Red Cross, Jan. 7, 12:45-6:30 p.m., Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, 5464 Waterford Road; Jan. 10, 8 a.m.-1:45 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road; Jan. 11, 8 a.m.-1:45 p.m., St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive; Jan. 15, 10 a.m.-3:45 p.m., Clarkston Independence District Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767).

**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.

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

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

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

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

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**Tuesday**

**Lifetree Café**, Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Old Village Café, 2 S. Main Street. Short films, guided conversation on loneliness, immigration, health, angels, guilt, prayer, life after death, and other issues. Free. 810-694-9351.

# Around Town

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



**TIME TO TANGLE:** Students in Erin Hill's first grade class at Springfield Plains Elementary decide to play a game of Twister during "Choice Time" activities. Photo by Andrea Beaudoin

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**Wint's Healing Hearts** Grief Support Group, 7 p.m., Feb. 9, Carriage House, Clintonwood Park. Topic: "When Will I Feel Better?" Free. 248-625-5231.

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**Breast Cancer Survivor Group**, second Tuesday, 7-9 p.m., 21st Century Oncology, 6770 Dixie Highway. 248-625-3841.

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

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

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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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**50+ Indoor Pickleball**, Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m., \$4, First Congregational Church of Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Road.

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**Big Chief Barbershop Chorus**, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Waterford Oaks, 2800 Watkins Lake Road. Call Eric, 248-224-2214.

**Wednesday**

**Clarkston Area Optimist Club**, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Wednesdays, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-622-6096.

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

**Thursday**

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

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**Clarkston Area Lions Club**, second and fourth Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Carriage House, Clintonwood Park. 248-802-8603.

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

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

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**Office hours**, Clarkston City Councilman Mike Sabol, third Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Village Bakery, 10 S. Main Street.

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**Local Business Network**, Clarkston/Auburn Hills Chapter, first and third Thursday, 7:30-8:45 a.m., North Oakland County Board of Realtors, 4400 W. Walton Blvd., Waterford. 248-370-8029.

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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.

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**Free General Support Group** for any type of cancer and caregivers, fourth Thursdays, 2-4 p.m. *Please see Around Town on page 22*

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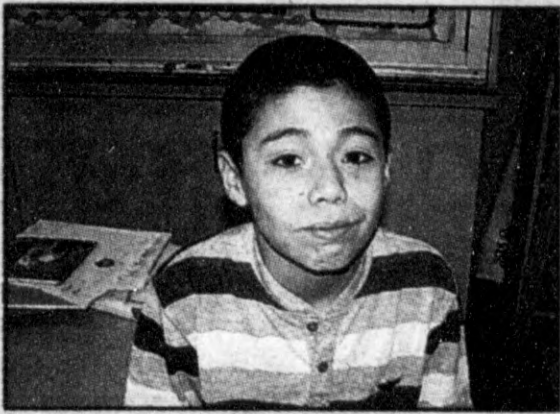
**Wildlife Safari**  
Monday, January 11 6:00 pm  
Enjoy a high energy, interactive program with a great mix of exotic animals perfect for preschoolers and older. Registration Required.



**Clarkston's Cooking Corner**  
Wednesday, January 27 7:00 pm  
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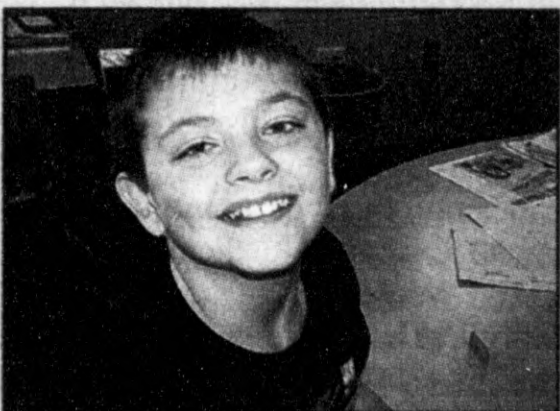


How have you shown leadership?



"I'm in service squad at school. On the squad we all have jobs. I wear an orange vest and I help special needs students walk and get where they need to go."

- Dustin Villnueva-Mancia



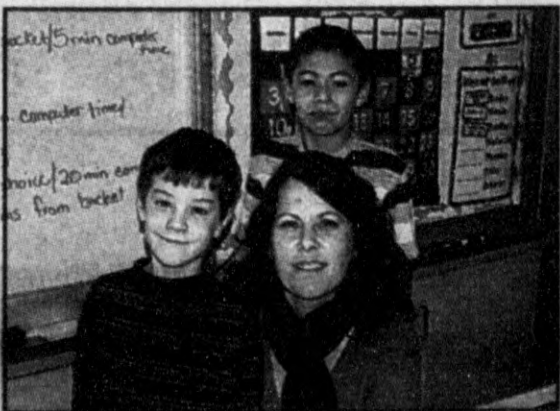
"Recycle Club, when picked by a teacher to help when we recycle at school."

- Kyle Arnold



"One day I stayed focused, without any reminders, so my teacher let me go to the office and get a Jolly Rancher."

- Eli Peel



"Here at Springfield Plains we teach 'Leader in Me' so we are always talking to students about leadership and we lead by example."

- Jennifer Fleaelling.

"She is a good role model to us."

- Eli Peel

"She teaches us about being a leader."

- Dustin Villnueva-Mancia

By Andrea Beaudoin

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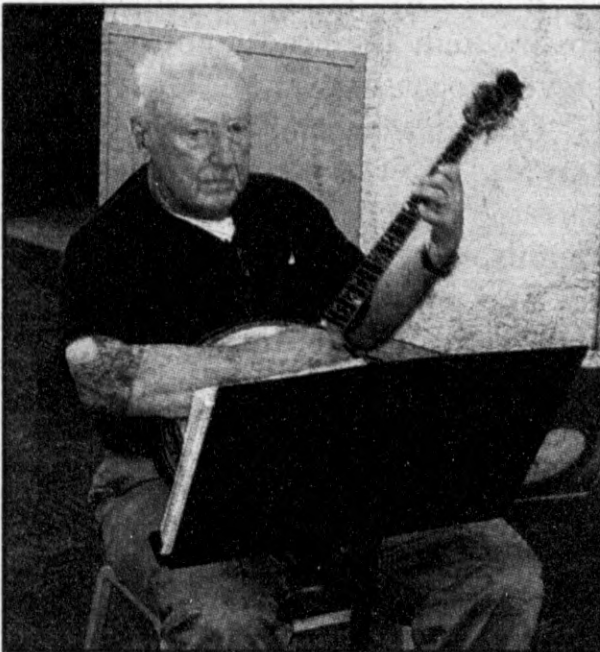
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Dr. Hank Lewis performs a tune on the banjo. Photos by Phil Custodio

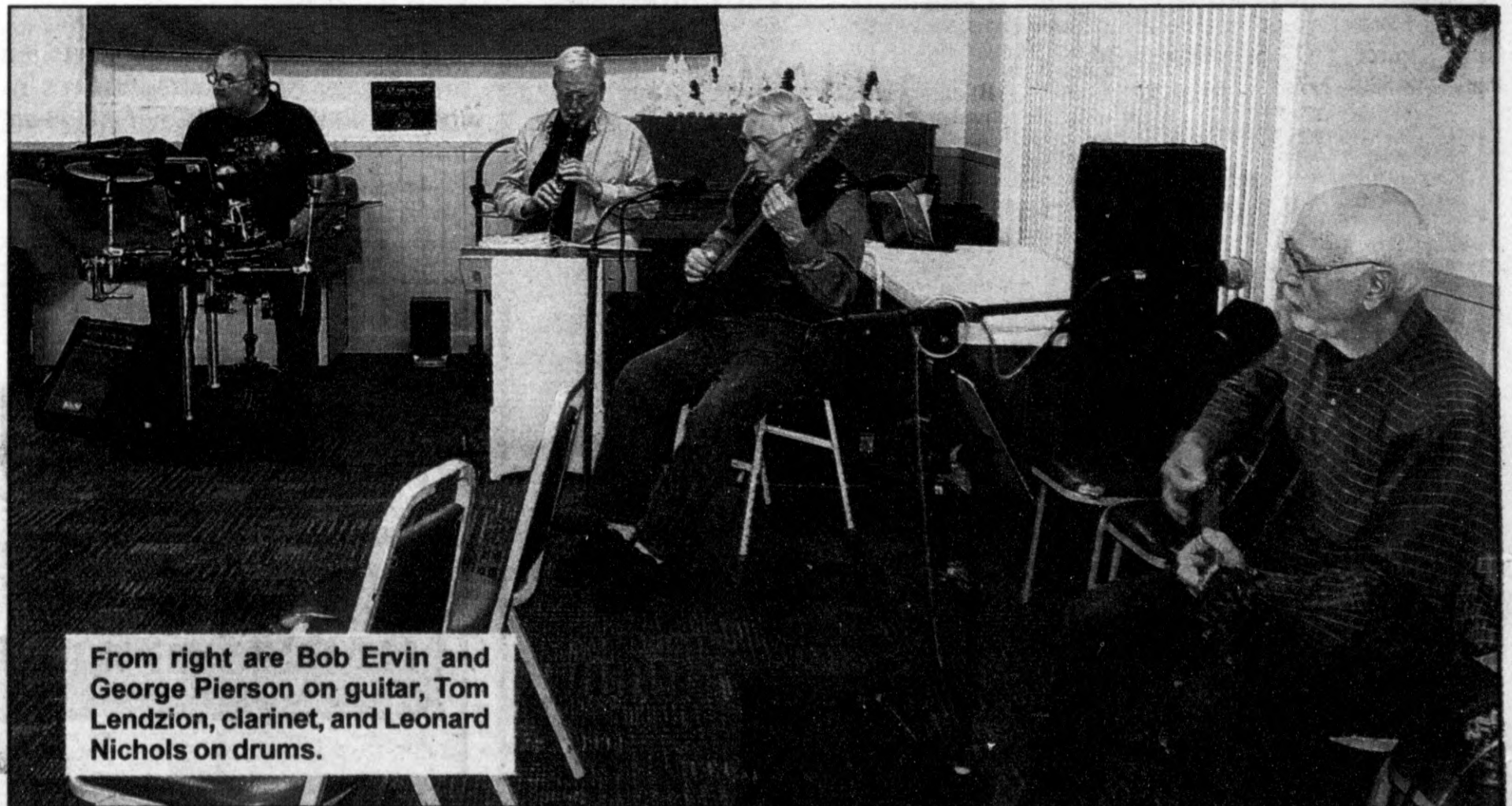


Ken Combs, at right, and Ernie May play their banjos.

## Music men

Ken, Ernie, and Friends play tunes from the 30's, 40's, 50's and beyond at the Carriage House once a week, as well as play an occasional gig.

Led by Combs, and Independence Township resident and Air Force veteran, they meet on the last Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. Call 248-660-3555.



From right are Bob Ervin and George Pierson on guitar, Tom Lendzion, clarinet, and Leonard Nichols on drums.

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 - Crave Students (6th-8th)  
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**Wednesday at 6:45pm**  
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 - Kids Life (K-5th)  
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# Religion

Events Preaching

## Living with no regrets

Ever walk through a cemetery and really study the headstones? I have on several occasions.

Once in a cemetery in Pennsylvania, my dad showed me the graves of my great-great grandparents and extended family. Wow.

Ever notice the dash? On most headstones there's a birth date, a death date, and a dash between them. That dash represents their lives. For some of them, that dash represents 90 years. For others, it represents two months.

I wonder...how did they live their dash? For most of them, a bundle of hopes and dreams, struggles and joys are concentrated in that dash.

I wonder...how are you living your dash? The older I get, the more I realize how precious life is. Time is literally running out.

I suspect you are a lot like me. You want your life to count. You don't want to live with regrets. You don't want to look back and say, "I wish I had done it differently." I wish. I regret. If only.

This New Year's, I invite you to join me in living a No-Regrets Life! Let's live full out! Full throttle! Loving God and loving people!

As one paraphrase of Philippians 3

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### Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

puts it: "I'm off and running, and I'm not turning back.

So let's keep focused on that goal, those of us who want everything God has for us. If any of you have something else in mind, something less than total commitment, God will clear your blurred vision—you'll see it yet! Now that we're on the right track, let's stay on it."

"Stick with me, friends. Keep track of those you see running this same course, headed for this same goal. There are many out there taking other paths, choosing other goals, and trying to get you to go along with them.

I've warned you of them many times; sadly, I'm having to do it again. All they want is easy street. They hate Christ's Cross. But easy street is a dead-end street. Those who live there make their bellies their gods; belches are their praise; all they can think of is their appetites."

"But there's far more to life for us. We're citizens of high heaven! We're waiting the arrival of the Savior, the Master, Jesus Christ, who will transform our earthy bodies into glorious bodies like his own.

He'll make us beautiful and whole with the same powerful skill by which he is putting everything as it should be, under and around him."

Yes! Happy New Year!

*The Rev/ Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church*

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# Death notices & Obituaries

## Annetta Crosby, 67

Annetta C. Crosby, "Frenchie," of Clarkston passed away suddenly, Dec. 28, 2015, at age 67, finally "going home" to be with her soulmate, Alvin, of almost 30 years.

She was born July 6, 1948, to her late parents Lester and Annetta Thompson; leaving quality time memories as a mother of Alvin (Dixie) Crosby II, Laureen (Curt) Bellomy and Lisa Marie Newmarch; grandmother "mom" of Tyler Hughes, Kristeen and Kayla Newmarch, Aden French, Alan and Holly Snow, Jace & Rylee Crosby; proud of all her nephews and nieces Joseph (Isidra) Tantanella, Bob (Sharon) Tantanella, Chris Tantanella, Robert (Sandra) Schudlich, Diane (Greg) Guglielmello, Shannon and Maria Crosby; honored by her family cousins Tom Kelly and Mary (Larry) Hartman.



Funeral was Jan. 2 at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Andersonville Cemetery, Davisburg. Memorials may be made to the family. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Wanda Sutterfield, 87

Wanda Sutterfield of Clarkston passed away Dec. 31, 2015, at age 87.

She was preceded in death by her husband William. She was the loving mother of Michael (Paula) Sutterfield, Pamela (Tom) Borsh and Edward (Doris) Sutterfield; proud grandmother of Christopher (Krystal) Borsh, Erin Borsh, Chelsea (Jacob) Wolter and William (Sarah) Sutterfield; dear sister of Paul Rushing.



Funeral Service was Jan. 5 at the **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Disabled American Veteran's. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Joyce A. Walker, 73

Joyce A. Walker of Pensacola, Fla., formerly of Clarkston, passed peacefully on Dec. 27, 2015, at age 73.

She was preceded in death by husband David and granddaughter Kristin Coffel. She was the mother of Michael (Tammy) Coffel, Wade (Sheryl) Coffel, Susan (Michael) Brown, Rachel Walker; step mother of David and Daniel Walker; survived by 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren; sister of the late Linda Ingham, Char (Thomas) Hauser and the late Douglas Burnett.



Funeral Service was Jan. 4 at **Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home**, Clarkston. Interment Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester.

Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Stephen Williams, 65

Stephen Wesley Williams of Grand Blanc passed away peacefully Jan. 4, 2016, at age 65.

He was born in Rock Island, Illinois. He was the husband of Charlene; father of Victoria (Patrick) Essenmacher and Tina (Kurt) Kowitz; grandfather of Charlie and Calvin; brother of Patricia (Garland) Wells, Brian (Cindy) Williams, Susan Gibson, Jeanne Dome, Mike Dome, Dennis Sweet, Denise Byron and Roger Moran; also survived by many loving nieces and nephews; preceded in death by his son Scott, brother Doug and parents Beverly Sweet, Robert Williams and Betty Williams.



Steve loved to get together for laughs and euchre with his family or play with his grandsons. He enjoyed listening to blues music, gardening and going on motorcycle trips, many with the Goldwing Road Riders Association. Steve was a giving and generous man and we never doubted his love.

Celebration of Life Service Thursday, Jan. 7, 2016, at 12:30 p.m. at the **Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home**, where friends may visit Wednesday, 5-8 p.m.

Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. Online Guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).



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**SYNOPSIS**  
**TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**DECEMBER 22, 2015**

- A. A Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at Independence Township Hall.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Ritchie, Schroeder  
Absent: Aliaga, Lohmeier  
There was a quorum present.  
Also Present: Stacey Bassi, Director of Assessing; Kevin Daniels, Superintendent - Safety Path; Wendy Hillman, Finance Director; David McKee, DPW Director; Rick Yaeger, Budget Analyst; Joe Heffernan, Plante Moran; Steven P. Joppich, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich, PC
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented.
- E. CLOSED SESSION: None
- F. BOARD/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- H. PUBLIC HEARING: None
- I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:
  - 1. PRESENTATION: Department Reorganization - DPW (David McKee, DPW Director)
  - 2. REPORT: Supervisor's Update (Patrick J. Kittle, Supervisor)
- J. CARRYOVER / POSTPONED AGENDA ITEMS: None
- K. CONSENT AGENDA:
  - 1. Approval of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015 and the Special Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2015.
  - 2. Approval of Payroll of December 18, 2015 and the Check Run of December 16, 2015, for a Total Amount of \$395,511.97
  - 3. Approval of 2016 Regular Meeting Schedules - Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals
  - 4. Approval of Budget Amendment - SAW Grant Activity
  - 5. Approval of 2015 Budget Amendment #12a
  - 6. Approval of 2015 Budget Amendment - Tennis Court Grant
- L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None
- M. REGULAR BUSINESS:
  - 1. Approval of the Amendment to the Neighborhood Road Incentive Program (NRIP) - Motion #2014-07-132 and Approval of Informational Packet and Application
  - 2. Adoption of Resolution Establishing Guidelines for Granting of Hardship Exemptions from Property Taxes and Establish Beginning Date for the Board of Review
  - 3. Acceptance of Proposals for Professional Services - Annual Financial Audit for Fiscal Years 2015-2016-2017
  - 4. Adoption of Resolution - Establishment of an Improvement Revolving Fund (IRF)
  - 5. Rescission of Motion #2015-07-125 - Approval of Petty Cash Policy and Request to Adopt Resolution - Procurement, Petty Cash and Credit Card Policy
  - 6. Approval of Transfer of Fund Balance - Flemings Lake SAD Fund to the General Fund
  - 7. Adoption of Resolution - Renewal of North Oakland County Household Hazardous Waste (NO HAZ) Program FY 2016
  - 8. Acceptance of Authorization for Change in Work; SAW Grant - Pipeline Management Company
  - 9. Approval to Purchase Snow Removal Equipment - Safety Path
  - 10. Approval to Transfer Project Funds from FY2015 to FY 2016 - DPW
  - 11. Approval of Amendment to Previously Approved Motion #2015-09-179 - Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (CAYA)
  - 12. Appointment/Reappointment of Members to Boards and Committees
  - 13. Adoption of Resolution - Retirement Healthcare Benefits for Full-Time Elected Officials
  - 14. Amendment of Special Rules of Procedure for Township Board of Trustees and Discontinue Outsourcing Transcription of Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes - No Action Taken
- N. COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / REPORTS:
  - 1. Report: Treasurer's 2015 3rd Quarter Investment Report (Paul A. Brown, Treasurer)
  - 2. Report: Monthly Actual to Budget Financial Update - November 2015

- 3. Communication: Steven P. Joppich, Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich, PC; Re: Township Attorney Legal Services
- 4. Communication: City of Royal Oak - Certified Resolution Opposing Senate Bill 13
- O. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Supervisor Kittle
- P. ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC  
Township Clerk

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**2016 REGULAR/BUDGET**  
**MEETING SCHEDULE**

7:00 PM - Township Hall Meeting Room  
6483 Waldon Center Drive - Clarkston, Michigan 48346  
(248) 625-5111

DAY	TYPE	DATE
Tuesday	Regular	January 12 & 26, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	February 2 & 16, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	March 1 & 15, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	April 5 & 19, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	May 10 & 24, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	June 7 & 21, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	July 5 & 19, 2016
Tuesday	Budget	July 12, 2016
Wednesday	Budget	July 27, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	August 9 & 23, 2016
Wednesday	Budget	August 10, 17 & 31, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	September 6 & 20, 2016
Wednesday	Budget	September 14 & 28, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	October 4 & 18, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	November 1 & 15, 2016
Tuesday	Regular	December 6 & 20, 2016

Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC  
Township Clerk

POSTED: December 29, 2015  
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MOTION #2015-12-236

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**SYNOPSIS**  
**TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**DECEMBER 12, 2015**

- A. A Special Meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 9:08 AM at Colombiere Conference & Retreat Center - 9075 Big Lake Road, Clarkston, MI 48346
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
- C. ROLL CALL: Present: Kittle, Pallotta, Brown, Aliaga, Lohmeier, Ritchie, Schroeder  
Absent: None  
There was a quorum present.  
Also Present: JoAnn Trierweiler, JT Consulting Firm, LLC
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: As presented
- E. BOARD / PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: None
- F. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- G. AGENDA ITEMS AS INDICATED IN MOTION #2015-11-210:
  - 1. 2016 Goal Setting Retreat
- H. ITEMS NOT INDICATED IN THE MOTION: None  
The meeting RECESSED at 11:40 AM  
The meeting RECONVENED at 12:08 PM
- I. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None
- J. ADJOURNMENT: The Special Meeting adjourned at 2:02 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara A. Pallotta, CMC  
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**SNOWY GAZEBO:** Clarkston's Depot Park was blanketed in snow, Monday, which should melt away this weekend as temperatures reach the 40s. Photo by Phil Custodio

## Benefit dinner for St. Joseph school

St. Joseph Catholic School of Lake Orion hosts the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gala Dinner and Auction on Saturday, Feb. 6, at 6 p.m. at the Paint Creek Golf and Country Club in Lake Orion.

The cocktail attire event is the organization's largest special event fundraiser for the school year. Proceeds from

the Portraits of Excellence themed event will support the one-to-one computing initiative for students in grades 1-8. Activities include silent and live auctions, and entertainment.

Email mevoy@stjosephlakeorion.org or contact Kelli Bobcean for Donations at 248-561-3238.

## Around Town

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3 p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Walk-ins welcome. 248-922-6610.

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**MOPS, Mothers Of Preschoolers**, first and third Thursdays, 9-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road. Call Saleena, 734-620-2844.

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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.

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

Friday

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

Saturday

**Project Kidsight**, free vision screening for

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**Kid's Camp Yoga**, Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Clarkston Hot Yoga, 5678 Sashabaw Road. \$7, for ages 5-10. 248-620-7101.

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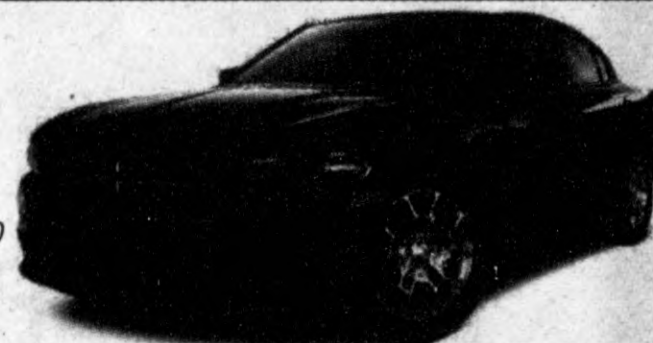
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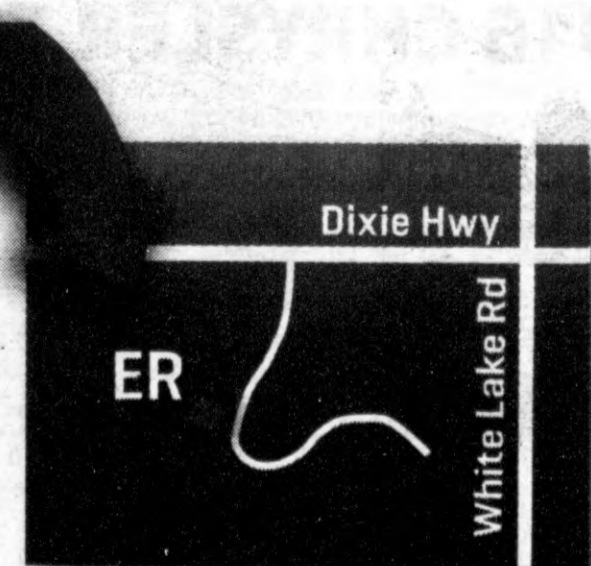
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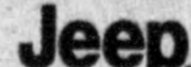
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