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editor's note

The Business Community

They Made Our First Year a Happy One

by Mike Wilcox

The Independence-Springfield Reminder is celebrating its first anniversary this week. When we began a year ago, we had hopes that a free circulation community newspaper would be beneficial to the people in the area.

We had been successful with this type of newspaper in the Ortonville-Goodrich area for many years. We hoped the Clarkston-Davisburg areas would be just as fruitful.

To make a free newspaper like The Reminder succeed, one needs the support of area business people. The business community in this area has been very good to The Reminder. They gambled with their advertising money in the beginning, not knowing whether we would succeed or fall flat on our face. And they have continued to advertise more and more through our first year of publication.

Thus, it is particularly important on our anniversary, that The Reminder pay special tribute to its advertisers. Without their ads, there would be no Reminder.

Here's our honor roll of advertisers and a small note about each. Only space and time limit the many great things we could say about each and everyone:

Hamady Food Center - When you talk to big chain stores, inevitably you're treated with disrespect. After all, they're big and your small time. Not so at Hamadys. Bob Beavis, vice-president, is one of the nicest and down-to-earth guys you'd every expect to meet. He reviewed our pitch for advertising, and agreed The Reminder was a great paper to advertise in. And believe us, we feel that Hamady's not only has a top-notch organization, but also is a great place to do your grocery shopping.

Karen's Carpets - Buzz Whitaker has held down the back page position for nearly a year. From this area, Buzz is a very personable fellow and has an inventory of carpeting that won't quit. He's the kind of guy that does. what he says he's going to do. Never late with ad copy, never complains about anything -- you're one of a kind Buzz, and you don't know how much we appreciate you!

Brandon Tire & Battery Co. - When Larry Mullins bought out the old owners over a year ago, he decided advertising in The Reminder was to be an important part of his promotion plan. It's apparently worked because Brandon Tire's volume seems to be way up. One aspect you notice immediately upon entering the tire store is the professionalism of the staff. There seems to be some topflight employees who work on cars in a very businesslike manner. Congratulations Larry!

Bordine's Better Blooms - We consider Bordine's to be one of the best family run businesses in the area. We never expected a nursery type business to make a success in the Clarkston area, but Bordine's has proven us wrong. They made a committment early to advertise with The Reminder. We appreciate that!

Arrants Ford - Arrants Ford was one of the very first advertisers to back our efforts in Clarkston. Being the closest Ford dealer to Clarkston, they get a lot of area business -- especially with their fine reputation. They really care about their customers and the Clarkston -Davisburg area.

Perry Drugs - They're an awfully big firm with many

has always advertised with The Reminder. Bob Bennett can be proud of his store. It's one of a kind and seems to hold the entire village commercial district together.

First Federal of Oakland - Probably the most progressive savings and loan institutions in Oakland County, Al Watson and company have been one of our biggest supporters from the word "go."

City Beverage - Harold Cousins owns one of the biggest beverage distributorships in the area. He also has do ne more for the growth of the county than probably any other single man. Part of his contribution is the bi-monthly calendar of Springfield Township events and the many community messages he sponsors in The Reminder.

First National Bank of Fenton - Situated in a nice new medical center in Davisburg, the bank offers Davisburg residents full-service banking, which is exactly what they've been advertising in The Reminder for several months. Thanks for setting shop in Davisburg, 1st National!

Deer Lake Travel - Cathy Klender really knows how to run a topflight travel agency. In the relative short time she's been in business, she's obtained an excellent reputation. She also knows how to pick the best advertising medium, using The Reminder exclusively -and you better believe, Cathy, we appreciate it.

Davisburg Building and Landscape - Steve Dice is one of the nicest guys to set foot in this area. If he can, he'll do most anything for you. His sometimes hard-hitting commentarys in The Reminder are not at all the way he runs his business. Keep up the good work, Steve.

Town & Country Communications - You wouldn't believe the number of CB's they sell out of that place. Ken Rieth and crew do a bang-up job in merchandising electronical equipment and we appreciate their use of The Reminder in advertising that equipment.

Renchick's Paint and Paper - Robert Renchik has been a big supporter of The Reminder, not only advertising weekly, but being an outlet for Reminder classifieds. He's got a neat little store tucked away in Independence Commons. Everyone should see it.

King's Hearth - A brand new fireplace specialty shop that is going "great guns." They're succeeding with the help of Reminder advertising. They have lots of special buys and a "sister" store in Rochester that's just as nice!

Connolly Jewelers - The Rochester jewelry store was one of the first Rochester businesses to realize they had a market in the Clarkston area. Connolly's has capitalized on that market with big ads in The Reminder.

Beattie's Interiors - If class is what you're looking for in home furnishings, then Beattie's is the place to visit. Bob Beattie has put together a superb store, as well as putting a lot of time and effort into making the Clarkston area, a better community in which to live.

Springfield Township - Collin Walls, Cal Walters and other members of the township board decided The Reminder was the media in which to place their legal ads, because we cover every home in the township. We appreciate their foresight and are looking forward to a long and fruitful relationship.

Deron's - Uncle Deron, alias Ron Sandage, has one of Clarkston's largest retail businesses -- one that he can certainly be proud of. The Reminder cherishes its association with Derons -- the many advertisements he has sent us and the great degree of professionalism Deron's has shown.

There's better places to be than directing traffic at a Pine Knob Concert

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A couple of school board members tell us what to expect this coming school year.

A future Olympian may be working out right in the Davisburg Medical Center.

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many stores, but it's nice to see them committed to small local communities like Clarkston. Most chain stores won't give small communities and newspapers the time of day. Perry Drugs isn't like that.

Carpet Shoppe - Ray Terry has found business so good, he is opening a brand new building this fall. There's very few people more concerned about this area, its growth and business potential than Ray. He has stuck by The Reminder since his store began -- and has grown right along with us. He also sponsors the Problem Solver in the interest of the community and those who are in need of help.

Haupt Pontiac - Skip Williams and all those fabulous guys at the local Pontiac dealership utilized The Reminder as a vehicle for selling used cars, soon after we began. And after proofreading their ads for nearly a year, I've got to admit, Haupt has some mighty fine car deals!

Hallman Apothecary ~ Clarkston's downtown drug store

Our honor roll does not stop here, however. We could name hundreds of businesses who have opted to advertise in The Reminder this past year.

Have you noticed our real estate pages? More and more homebuyers are looking towards The Reminder for deals on real estate. That means more real estate companies are using The Reminder to advertise.

Our classifieds have grown steadily. Both merchant and private party are finding The Reminder classified section to be well-read.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to each and every business and person who has chosen The Reminder as a place to advertise. You've all played an important part in our success.

We're looking forward to serving you again and again for many years to come!

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Independence Township Library Reaches Impass

To the Editors:

The Independence Township Library has reached an impass in terms of growth. Several factors have combined to cause this problem. The Advisory Board structure placed the library and the Advisory Board at the mercies of the Township Board. The Advisory Board lacked authority over personnel and financing and the township board, which has that authority but whose diverse interests limit the time and attention they are able and/or willing to give to library matters, has chosen to spurn the Advisory Board's recommendations.

The Library is inadequately funded and has actually received less local financial support than the minimum .3 mills required for State Aid. To compound the matter

TALKING IT OUT



With Lew Wint **Funeral Director**

> Lewis E. Wint **Funeral Home** Clarkston

What is involved in a funeral cost?

There are generally four funeral expenses which can be incurred: 1(professional services of a funeral director and his funeral home, including facilities, staff-time, equipment and casket; 2) the cemetery plot and opening of the grave; 3) mounument or grave marker; and 4) miscellaneous expenses such as flowers, obituaries and extra automobiles.

Some of these expenditures are optional. Most of them have a fairly wide range of costs, depending on the family's wishes. You will not find any undue influence exerted for exorbitant funeral costs by funeral directors in this service area. We -- and most funeral directors we know -- prefer that the funeral expenses be appropriate for each family served. We spend much time with each family to make sure that all arrangements and decisions will best serve their own interests.

We'd be glad to discuss this in complete detail, showing you the ranges in pricing available to you.

the library has failed to spend its total income so that in the last three years \$44,342.90 has reverted to the General Fund. In addition Michigan law requires that State Aid must not go into the General Fund and to do otherwise is a violation of State Law. State Aid in Independence Township does go into the General Fund. On March 31, 1977 Mr. Douglas Whitaker, Assistant Director of the Wayne Oakland Federated Library System made the following observations regarding the Independence Township Library:

1. When compared with 36 other Michigan libraries in its population class, 13,000-24,199, the Independence Township Library does not compare well. The average expenditure per capita served for these libraries is \$3.89. The average for Independence Township is \$1.95. Only 4 of these libraries ranked lower.

2. There is an immediate need for a financial analysis and planning. The library needs a higher level of support to maintain the most basic level of services and to continue to qualify for state aid.

3. The fiction collection is not up-to-date. Much of it has



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aged beyond the interest of contemporary readers. The attached chartscomparing Independence Township Library to other nearby communities of similar populations and the Library's contrubution to "the General Fund surplus give an indication of the deficiencies of the Independence Township Library. Unless the public becomes aware of these statistics the Township Board will never be pressured into correcting the situation. I hope you will print the charts in their entirety.

The best solution to the Library problem would be reorganization of the library with an independent library board which would have control over all library matters. In addition the public should know that despite the fact that the library receives less support than that required for state aid, the present township supervisor, Floyd Tower said at the Meet the Candidates Night that he is unwilling to increase library support or to return to the library any portion of the general fund surplus which resulted from unspent library monies.

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The Friends of the Independence Township Library was formed last spring. The formation of the group was not



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by Joan Allen

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There are days in the life of all of us when we would be lost if it were not for rationalization. This is one of those days for me! Now, according to the way I use the term, it is defined as; To devise self-satisfying but incorrect reasons for (one's behavior). On the other hand, I feel that we sometimes analyze the reasons for our behavior to such a degree, that we may move from simplicity to error.

I read a lot. As a result, I am well aware of all the pitfalls there are in life. In fact, there are days when I feel that it is dangerous to get out of bed because it may be hazardous to my health. Take this morning, for instance.

I woke up, determined to start an exercise program and was half-may through the routine before I remembered that I had not consulted my physician. Afraid of having a heart attack, I stopped midway through a leg lift and went back to bed to rest. Then I once more attempted to face the day. I stepped into the shower.

At first I was enjoying the lather and the warm water. Then I began to wonder if the water could be polluted, and if the soap was too abrasive for my skin. I suddenly began to worry if harmful bacteria were about to devour me, and if my skin was either drying up or sagging and causing wrinkles. I made a hasty exit, making certain that I hung on to something as I exited, for fear I would have one of those awful accidents that usually happens in the home.

I dressed, ever conscious that my family was probably disappointed in me because the laundry did not smell springtime fresh, but only clean (though possibly covered with more harmful bacteria.!)

I carefully made my way downstairs so as to avoid another of those accidents, and, still carefully made my way to the kitchen. I poured myself a cup of coffee, thankful that I had not picked up that habit before I had children, so at least I didn't have to worry about the affects of caffeine on my unborn child. It was the bright spot in my day. It soon passed as I realized that against my-wishes, my hand had put a cigarette to my lips, and the other hand put a light to it. I wondered how many things I had left.

I was strong. I firmly stubbed it out in the ashtray -but then, remembering that I had gained two pounds, according to the bathroom scales, I hurriedly lit another

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one, promising myself that I would lose the two pounds, and then banish cigarettes from my life forever.

I began to thumb through diet books that promised me that I could be thin and full of energy in just a few days, if only I would follow the meals as listed in the book. They almost took my appetite away. I did find a couple of them that I thought I would try, when one of the daughters warned me of all the awful things that happen to people who follow fad diets. "Besides," she reminded me, "you cannot go on any of those diets without consulting a physician first -- and all the physicians in our area are too busy to waste time telling fat ladies that it is okay to start on diets that they know they won't stick to any." I felt worse.

"Go to weight watchers. That one works," she said. "The only thing is, it costs money, and you were complaining about the lack of that yesterday." It was true. Yesterday, it came to my attention that I had charged more than I'd paid out, so had slipped a little closer to bankruptcy, in spite of my lectures to the rest of the family, on the subject of inflation. A careful review of the charge accounts revealed that my lectures had worked on the rest of the family, but I had not affected my own "impulse-buying" behavior at all.

I sat there at the breakfast table, feeling awful, and eating toast and butter and homemde strawberry jam, and worrying about the cholesterol and sugar that I was using to poison myself. I thought of making some diet jam, using a sugar substitute, and remembered in the nick of time, that sugar substitutes are hazardous to my health. I didn't feel I could add anymore hazards, considering the sugar, butter, coffee and cigarettes, so immediately gave up on that idea.

By that time, the rest of the family were in the kitchen, and they all had little jobs to mention. The entire list of those little jobs were things I had promised to do for them, but hadn't done because I was too busy reading a book on efficiency. It is a subject that I know nothing about. I began reverting to an old habit that is definitely passe'. I began to apoligize, and grovel for their approval, by reminding them of all the things I had accomplished. I remembered just in time that I had to assert myself, however. I had just begun to explain about individuality, and how, I too, am a person, with needs of my own. Then I remembered about the article I had read about families that outgrow the mother, and the old fear that I would lose my husband to some young thin, non-smoking girl with painted toe-nails, made me tongue-tied. I promised to try to do better in the future. As for our offspring, I said nothing -- because I suddenly thought that after all these years of worrying that they might go away and leave me, that maybe I had been on the wrong track. After all, who is it that is trying to kill me by bringing potato chips and dip into the house?

They left to go in their various directions, and I noticed that it was getting warmer by the minute. I knew that I would get further behind in the housework if I didn't turn the air-conditioner to a cooler setting, because I

not mind serving yourself gas, is Mrs. Dorothy Lowe. But she doesn't think that you should have to serve yourself at regular gas stations. And Mrs. Peni Aldrich and Mrs. Betsy Arabucki feel that prices at gas stations are high enough to warrant having someone on hand to pump gas for their customers, and aside from that, they enjoy having things done for them.

Coming out totally against solf some stations is Mr.

a page designed to stimulate opinion



know that one shouldn't exert oneself when it is too hot, but as I moved toward the insturment, my conscience got the better of me. I could picture my great-grandchildren suffering because I had been an energy-hog. I decided that warm was better, even if neighbors dropped in and sniffed around, and found dull, dingy kitchen floors, the odors of last night's fish dinner, and rings around all my collars and bowls and bathtubs, as well as disgusting spots on my glasses, and dull dishes that would not reflect their snooping faces. It was then that I decided that perhaps I would get out of the house so nobody could call on me. I grabbed my keys and headed for the car. In the dust on the car, someone had written "energy burner" and I thought about all the accidents I'd been reading about. I decided to stay home

Back in my warm house that seemed cooler after being outside, I searched for some thought that might make the rest of the day brighter. It was then that rationalization came to my rescue!

Weight is a matter of style, I said to myself, as I made a peanut butter sandwich with golden butter showing through the satiny layer of peanut butter. Look at how well rounded the women are in some of our most famous paintings, I said, as I added a layer of the homemade strawberry jam. Would an artist paint someone so beautifully if he really felt that fat was gross?

I washed the sandwich down with milk and lit a cigarette. If everyone stopped smoking, all the people who depend on selling tobacco for their livelihood would be out of jobs, I said. That would make me feel terrible, and guiltier than ever, and besides I would gain more weight, and that would be hazardous to my health too, I said, and besides according to new studies, my brand is safe.

I looked at the housework to be done, but picked up a good book on self-assertiveness. All work and no play will make me dull, I thought, and I will surely lose my husband to some happy-go-lucky sort of-young thing.

I decided that I didn't want to live forever anyway -because it is only a matter of time before everything I like to do or eat will be labeled "Hazardous to your health!"

It was then that I began to wonder about all the experts, and all of us followers, and wonder if rationalization isn't kind of a healthy thing after all. Tests and studies cannot be impartial as long as the people creating and carrying them out aren't impartial. Therefore, we must always consider the human factor in all results. For instance, how are the directions of study chosen? Has anyone ever given rats an overdose of spinach or liver or creamed corn - which happen to be things I don't care for? Perhaps they too are hazardous to our health, but since everyone isn't tempted to sin by eating them, they don't matter. Is it possible that we have not changed over the generations, but are still trying to appease the gods with sacrifices? Since we have removed the taboos on sex, have we substituted food, smoking, and physical comfort sacrifices instead? Or do we try to look starved in order to quiet our guilt feelings about the people who naturally look as if they just came out of a concentration camp? I may indeed be rationalizing, but the thought has brightened up my day, and I think I'll get into the car and go get a double-dip ice cream cone to help me cool off, so I'm in a good mood when my wonderful family comes home.

by Sharon Springborn

Have you pulled into a gas station with your fuel gauge registering 'empty', only to find that you have to get out, no matter what the weather, to put in your own gas and wipe off your windows? And besides all of this, you find that you have to pay an outrageous price for the gas that you pumped.!

This is a problem that gets quite a few people riled up, so The Reminder decided to call some area residents to get their feelings on the subject. Twice as many people said that they didn't feel obliged to pump gas as said that they didn't mind. Only one woman, Mrs. R. Loup, gave a yes/no type of answer, since she feels that it is up to the individual whether or not they mind pumping gas.

"I feel that stations should have both types of service. There are a lot of handicapped people out driving who can't use self-service gas stations," continued Mrs. Loup.

Feeling that if you go to a self-serve station, you must

Coming out totally against self-serve stations is Mr. Kenneth Walker, who thinks that "if you have a product to sell, you should serve it", no matter what the price is.

The reason why many people went to self-serve stations in the first place was because they charged less for gas, but now Mrs. Diane Webster doesn't feel that they're charging much less now.

One man who would rather pump his own gas is Mr. Ludwig Claus, because he thinks that attendants scratch up his car, and let gas overflow the gas tank. But he will admit that some people - like his wife - would rather pull into a gas station, and have the gas served.

Viewing the pumping of her own gas as a money-saving strategy is Mrs. Justina Weishar. She thinks that if "we don't pump it, the price will go up mainly because they'll (the gas stations) have to pay someone to pump the gas."

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Both Tricia, left, and Sue find the latest in sportswear just in time for back-to-school at Kinneys.

Do your family's feet need sprucing up this autumn? Come to Kinney's for your kids' back-to-school shoes, and check out the quality leather shoes for the whole family available at reasonable prices.

Kinney's carries their own name-brand shoes, such as GASS, KIDS, Teen-a-bouts, Kid-a-bouts and Kinney. All of these brands are found exclusively at the Great American Shoe Store.

And if fashions for your feet aren't your family's only need, look for the clothes that you need, or want, in Kinney's Clothes Shed, where the latest in back-to-school styles are on display.



Hours: Daily 9:30-9:00 Sun. 12:00-5:00 The Great American Shoe Store 6525 Dixie Hwy. Clarkston, Mi 625-9826



Tricia and Sue look over all the Little Chef's mouthwatering foods before finally deciding what to order for lunch.

Do the kids want to have a treat since they'll be going back to school soon? Then take them out to eat at the Clarkston Little Chef, where they can order a pizza - either to eat in the restaurant or to take home - or 20 different kinds of sandwiches, a dinner, or the daily special. And for the perfect end to the perfect meal, you and the kids can order an old-fashioned malt or sundae, made with real ice cream. Come in any time. We'll be happy to serve you from 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. weekly and from 6:30 to 12 midnight on weekends. On Sunday, we're open from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.



Tricia decides to tell Sue that all the school supplies she'll need can be bought at Hallman's, for everyday low prices.

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If back-to-school has been on your mind recently, remember Hallman's Apothecary when you need a place to buy your new school supplies for this coming school year.

Hallman's is well-stocked with everything you'll need to start school with - rulers, pencils, erasers, notebooks and paper, as well as moderately priced jewelry and cosmetics.

As well as being the place to shop for school supplies, Hallman's also offers a friendly pharmacy, which also stocks many non-prescription medications.

So, do all (or most) of your back-to-school shopping at

Hallman. Apothecary 625-1700

STORE HOURS: Daily 9 to 9. Sunday 10 - 2.



Before they end their shopping trip, the girls stop in at Clarkston Dry Cleaners to pick up the clothes they plan to wear on the first day of school.

Don't start the school year in wrinkled and spotted clothes! Take them to Clarkston Dry Cleaners, where the wrinkles will be pressed out and the whole garment spot-treated and cleaned. When you request it, your cleaning needs will be taken care of in 1½ hours. Aside from cleaning regular clothes, Clarkston Dry Cleaners does band uniforms, bridal gowns, formals and drapes. They also make alterations and repairs, along with cleaning and refinishing suede and leather. Clarkston Dry Cleaners is open to serve your needs from 9-6 daily, except for Saturday, when they're open from 9-4. The owners are Tim and LaVonne Farough, of Clarkston.

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The Little Chef, and its owner, Dick Powe, welcome kids, whether it's for lunch or just ice cream.



Clarkston Dry Cleaners 5908 M-15 (next door to Quik-Pik) 625-0135 "Same Day Service"

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Clarkston Schools

School Board Excited About This Year

Joan Allen

This is the time of the year when students of all ages begin to look forward to the new school year with excitment or apprehension. Parents, too, share their views, whether it is the apprehension of the mother of a new kindergartener, or that of the mother of a new, college student who is leaving home, or the excitement of other mothers who are looking forward to renewed freedom when schools are once again in session.

There are others among us who think of the year's beginning as September, and its ending as June. They are the administrators, the faculty, and the school board members.

The Reminder asked a couple of school board members what they thought the highlights and low points of the coming school year would be.

- Mary Jane Chaustowich, new board member on the Clarkston School Board, said that she feels that space and crowded conditions might present some problems in the coming year, and that the tax reform bills, if passed, could have a negative effect on the schools in Clarkston. She, however, feels rather inexperienced as far as analyzing specific problem areas right now. She is looking forward to working with the board on all problems, but isn't anticipating too many because of a
- more positive attitude in what she has seen in the last five years. As a former teacher, she has been interested in disciplinary problems, but feels that there are fewer of them now. She is impressed by what she has seen of the high school students, and feels that if there is a drug problem in the area, it is at least confined to the milder drugs

She feels that Mr. Mauti has made a number of improvements at the high school level, but she hasn't had enough experience with the lower levels to judge them as yet. She also mentioned that she thought Mr. Neff had a number of new and important ideas.

Vincent Luzi, an experienced board memeber on

Clarkston's Board of Education, also mentioned the tax limitation proposals which will be on the November ballot, as an unknown quantity in this fall's school picture. He has analyzed both propositions however, and feels that they are not as extreme as California's.

All in all, according to Mr. Luzi, this year's school year looks as if it will be an interesting and exciting one. He doesn't feel that there will be any contract problems,

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1978-79 School Calendar Student's First Day Labor Day Recess Progress Reports Mailed Home Conference Day - No School End of Marking Period 1 In Service Day - No School Report Cards Mailed Home Thanksgiving Recess Progress Reports Mailed Home Winter Recess - Close of Day School Resumes End of Marking Period 2 Record Day - No School **Report Cards Given to Students** Mid-Winter Break - No School Progress Reports Mail Home End of Marking Period 3 Report Cards Given to Students Spring Recess - Close of Day School Resumes Progress Reports Mailed Home Memorial Day Recess Student's Last Day End of Marking Period 4 Teacher's Last Day **Report Cards Mailed Home**

that that situation is in line, as far as presenting any difficulties.

Luzi feels that the Clarkston schools will be presenting Continued on Page 12



Clarkston **Community Schools SPICE Preschool Program** 625-3330

or your Local School Districts **Special Education Office**



Paul Bresette and Deb Christie strike a pose in their "new looks" made possible by Susan and Terry at Elston's of Clarkston.

For boys and girls who are going back to school this fall, and need to have the ragged ends of summer trimmed from their hair, make an appointment at Elston's of Clarkston for a ``new look". Get the total look for this fall when you enter the salon, and let Susan and Terry customize a look just for you, be it carefree, casual or classy. Elston's specialties are body perms, blow drying and the latest cuts for both the male and female customer, to help everyone get ready to start school this September.



Tricia and Sue get ready to try out one of Howe's 36 lanes. And, maybe after bowling a game or two, both girls will go down to the French Cellar at Howe's Lanes.

Looking for a sport to occupy your time now that fall is almost here? Well, go down to Howe's Lanes to get into one of their fall leagues which will be beginning soon, or for open **xwling**

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Elston's of Clarkston 625-8611

Howe's which has been remodeled inside for your convenience, and has had its parking lot newly paved, has 36 lanes on which to bowl. With so much room, you won't have to wait long for an alley to become available so you and your friends can bowl.

And, after an exciting game, you can go visit the lounge at Howe's Lanes. There, you can have some refreshments and watch the group that happens to be entertaining at that time.

Howe's Lanes 6697 Dixie Hwy. Clarkston

Twelve New Lanes for Your Bowling Convenience $625 \cdot 5011$

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Carol Weaver - Bradford Yates United in Marriage

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In Clarkston United Methodist Church

The United Methodist Church of Clarkston, was the setting for the wedding of Carol Ruth Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Weaver of Goodrich, formerly of Royal Oak, to Bradford S. Yates of Columbus, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Yates II, of Grand Blanc and grandson of Mrs. Sarah Yates of Mt. Morris.

Rev. James Balfour officiated at the 5:30 p.m. double ring ceremony on July 15th, which was followed by a reception at Davison Country Club.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of Qiana with chapel train and a bodice of appliqued lace and seed pearls. Her silk illusion veil edged with matching silk-lace was held to a cap of appliqued lace and seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of yellow roses, white daisies, yellow carnations, stephonotis and baby's breath.

Her attendants, gowned in yellow Qiana, wore daisies and baby's breath in their hair and carried bouquets of yellow carnations, white daisies and baby's breath.

Mary Vandermark of Clarkston was matron of honor for her sister, Donna Krutka, of Ann Arbor, Kathy Curtis, of Royal Oak and Alice Vandermark, niece of the bride also attended the bride. Heather McLaughlin, niece of the groom was flower girl and was gowned in white and wore a circlet of daisies on her hair and carried

a basket of daisies and baby's breath. Sally Vandermark, niece of the bride attended the guest book. Karen MacArthur of Washington, D.C. friend of the bride was soloist.

John Yates III, of Grand Blanc was his brother's best

man and the ushers included Keith Yates, brother of the groom, Dorval McLaughlin brother-in-law of the groom, Kevin O'Reilly and Richard Figula, cousins of the groom and Douglas Parks of Nashville, Tennessee friend of the groom. Mitchell Jeffrey of East Lansing, friend of the groom was ring bearer.

The bride and groom are both 1976 graduates of Michigan State University. The bride was a teacher for Brandon Schools, Ortonville and her husband is employed by Homewood Corp. Columbus, Ohio. After a honeymoon in Mexico, they are residing in Columbus, Ohio.

Expectant Parent Classes

Sponsored by Health Department

Oakland County Division of Health is offering a fall series of Expectant Parent Classes that will begin Thursday, September 7 at 7:30 p.m. and the last class will be October 26.

Films and other audio-visuals are used to illustrate some of the topics. One of the class sessions will be a tour of one of the local hospitals.

The classes are taught by a Public Health Nurse and co-sponsored by the Oakland County Medical Society and various adult education departments throughout the county.

Classes will be held weekly for eight weeks from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Oakland County Division of Health, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

To register, call 858-1394 before September 4. Pre-registration is advised as classes are limited as to the number enrolled. There is no charge for the classes.







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Dreams Do Come True For Davisburg Family

by Leona Hutchings

All of us who have dreams have projects we would like to accomplish or places we might like to see. Mrs. Frank Dennis of Clark Road, Davisburg, has dreamed since she and her husband moved to this community of a large horse arena where she can work with horses.

As soon as the Dennis family moved to Davisburg, Mrs. Dennis (Bertha) became involved with the Davisburg Hoofbeats and with the Oakland County Horse Leaders Association.

With many hours of work, planning and years of

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dreaming, the new barn was ready this spring. Nearly every evening someone is training and working with horses in the new barn. For several weeks, the Dennis's offered their facilities to the handicapped children from the north part of Oakland County. Many local people gave time and experience to give the thirty or more an opportunity to ride a horse. Sue Coreless of Holly, a long time promoter of the riding program spent several evenings a week on this most recent program.

One of the outstanding events was the time each handicapped child could drive the horse with his own hands in the ring. The most difficult was the trying minutes of mounting each horse. The children were so disappointed when a certain horse was not there for their class.

The past three classes each night were the outcome of the Oakland County Day Camp for handicapped. The Hoofbeats Club did the project for the Easter Seal Program in the spring. There will be a fall class for youth and right now the group needs English saddles for exercise for the handicapped.

A typical child taking part at the camp was Brian Blischke. In his family there is a genuine fondness involved. Blind since birth, Brian enjoys the piano and

UPDATE

A Collection of Events Occuring in Springfield Township Call 627-2843 to get your event listed

August 23 Davisburg Rotary 7:00 p.m. Township Hall

August 24 Davisburg Jaycees, 8 p.m. Township Hall Weight Watchers 7:00 at Davisburg Elementary

August 28 Library Board 8:00 p.m. Township Hall

August 30 Davisburg Rotary 7:00 p.m. Township Hall

August 31 Weight Watchers 7:00 at Davisburg Elementary swimming. He lives with the Donald Lythgoe family of 9430 Big Lake Road, Clarkston. Brian attends school in Farmington and often swims in Deer Lake. Brian is a foster son, who means much more because the family is so proud of his many achievements. 1

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Yes, the dream to have a large well lighted horse arena came true and through this achievement, the Frank Dennis Family enjoy youth of all ages and many are learning care, training and good sportsmanship.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dennis

Davisburg J.C. Auxiliary Named Library Volunteers of Month

The Springfield Township Library has added several new books to its collection. Among them are: The Jury People by John Wainwright, Final Judgement by Mitchell Benjoya, and The Shroud of Turin by Ian Wilson. Also in the children's collection the book Crazy to Fly, written by Martha Orr Conn, has been added.

The Davisburg J.C. Auxiliary has been selected as Volunteer-of-the-Month for the month of August.

The library is now located in the Springfield Township Hall. However, plans are being made to move to the corner of Andersonville Road and Hogback Lake Road in the near future.

Cunningham Attends Naval Orientation

September 5

School Starts

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Harold Cousins Dave Anderson Homer Hogan Marguerite (Kitty) Topham **3 Warehouses:** 1001 Dixie Hwy. 979 Ladd Rd. 1020 Doris Rd. Clarkston Walled Lake Pontiac Robert C. Cunningham, son of Robert D. and Betty L. Cunningham of 8455 Ellis Road, Clarkston, is attending a Naval career orientation and training program.

He is a midshipman in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) unit at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

The summer program consists of one week of aviation indoctrination at Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas, followed by two weeks in San Diego for briefings on submarine and surface ship career opportunities. Introduction to Marine Corps leadership, tactics and amphibious training is conducted at Camp Pendleton, California.

NROTC midshipment study naval science subjects and perform military drills along with their college studies. Those successfully completing four years of

NROTC participation are commissioned as reserve officers in the Navy or Marine Corps upon graduation. Cunningham is a 1976 graduate of Clarkston Senior High School. SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE REMINDER THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1978 PAGE ELEVEN



They Helped the Handicap Ride Horses

Left to right: Kathy Rawlins, Sharon Schmidgall, Wendy Rawlins, Joy Schmidgall, "Fireburst," 3 year old horse, Julia Rescoe, Brenda Pope and Roy Nelson.

Davisburg Resident Wins Skeet Shooting Honors in World Championship

Miss Ila Hill, assistant to Dr. Good at the Davisburg Medical Clinic, recently won honors in the World Championship of American Skeet Shooting in Texas. Miss Hill took the women's high overall title as well as the women's 20 guage skeet title. She placed fifth in the open high overall in competition against men as well as women.

Several weeks ago Miss Hill earned the title of top women's shooter at the International Championships which were also held in Texas. That particular feat earned her a position on the U.S. Shooting Team when they compete in September and October in Korea. Last year Miss Hill won a silver medal in international competion in France.



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School Board

the students with a good basic educational experience, as well as offering them some extra materials and added experiences in the coming year. He cited the Building Trades program as one of the exciting programs for this year. Students will construct a home, possibly on a site at M-15 and Paramus, which will be visible to everyone. When they are done, the profits from the sale of the home will be used to support this and similar programs. He feels that it is a very practical program, offering education and experience in a number of trades.

He is also pleased with the work of the Citizen's Advisory Committee, and feels that their report is an excellent one. According to Luzi, the conclusions of the committee will be relayed to the public at hearings, and these hearings will be held in various schools in the district.

The school board plans to gain feedback from the Advisory Committee before determining future action, which Luzi considers a positive move in making the workings of the schools and the Board, more visible to the community. He feels that there was a good cross-section of the community on the Committee, and that a number of them were doubters about the needs of the school district, but did a turn about as a result of their study.

Holly Teachers Still Negotiating - School to Start September 5

The Holly Area Schools, with a tentative starting date on September 5, for grades K-12, don't have a definite calendar as of now, since the Holly teachers are still negotiating terms for their contract for the 78-79 shoool year.

The teachers are expected to report to their school on August 31, for what is known as In-Service Dy.

Being that the millage for the Holly Area Schools wasn't passed, monetary problems are faced by the school district. In order to minimize the effect on the students, the district won't cut programs but will make cuts in operations procedures, and will not make repairs or buy materials that were felt to be necessary.

Sports won't be affected at the area schools, except in the ways that the schools will be affected in other areas. One change in the high school football schedule is that the game between Holly and Linden, which is one of the big games of the season, will most likely be played ' Holly.

Classes Begin Sepetember 7 at Our Lady of the Lakes

Two New Administrators to Head Clarkston JH

Clarkston Junior High School students will find a few changes when school begins August 30. Former assistant principal Duane Lewis is now the principal who will be assisted by Doug Pierson.

Lewis has spent the last six years as the assistant principal at CJHS. Prior to that he was a counselor at both of the junior high schools. He is married, the father of one child and resides on Waterford Hill.

Pierson has taught industrial arts at Clarkston High School for the last twelve years and developed the building trades class to be implemented this fall while completing an intern program. He most recently served on the Citizens Advisory Committee. Pierson is married, the father of one child and lives in Clarkston.

Other staff changes at the school include Pat Evans teaching the learning disabled, who recently had been the reading support teacher at the vocational school. Mike Taylor will be the new science teacher replacing Rick Powers who has left to participate in an environmental studies program for the next two years.

There will be two new teachers in the industrial arts department, Dave Stobbe in drafting and Jeff Smith in woods. Marci Rathburg is the new library aide.

Some physical changes involve painting the lockers to brighten the somewhat drab halls, general maintenance and face lifting in the form of a large mural on the wall opposite the main entrance. Janice Green, art major, is hard at work trying to complete the mural before school starts. It features the head of a wolverine surrounded by the words "Home of the Wolverines".

Parent dialogue groups will continue to be held the third Wednesday of each month at 9:15. Lewis is anxious to meet the needs of the parents and to increase attendance.

He is also stressing greater parent-staff involvement this year with an emphasis on home contacts by telephone. These contacts will not just be concerned with what problems the child might be having but also



Lewis (L) and Pierson

with the good things he has done. Lewis calls it an attempt to improve public relations. Parent-teacher conferences will also be held at the beginning of the school year.

Ninth graders will be delighted to learn their camp is scheduled for October this year rather than in the spring. Lewis feels this will establish better student-teacher relations early in the year.

The outdoor education program, to be held October 16-20 at Camp Nahelu in Ortonville, has been designed by the science department. It features ecology, edible wild foods, first aid, animal habitat including man's outdoor cooking and some arts and crafts and recreation.

Lewis emphasized there will be a much more academically structured day for those who do not attend the camp than they've had in the past.

Clarkston Schools Begin Indian Cultural Program

by Joan Allen

Offered this fall, as a supplemental program to public school programs, will be a Federal Government grant-funded program for children of American Indian heritage.

Community Sign, Is It Needed?

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by Carol Balzarini The Clarkston Village Council, in an effort to find a solution to the dilema of whether or not to do away with the Jaycees community sign, has agreed to leave it up to the community.

Readers of both Clarkston weekly papers are asked to write letters of support or non-support. These responses will be presented to the council for their consideration.

Many people are opposed to the present sign on the basis of aesthetics alone. Its peeling paint in a rather

wild shade of blue does leave something to be desired. The brickwork is deteriorating.

Its messages have frequently been incorrect or even

The program is planned to educate the descendents of American Indians in all facets of their ancestral culture. They will study the languages and history of the different tribes, as well as receive tutoring when necessary, according to program director, Sally Banks.

The Federal program which is funded through the department of Health Education and Welfare has been established for four years in some of the areas surrounding Clarkston, and promises to be a success in this area. There are over 163 certified students in the Clarkston schools right now, who are eligible for the program, and 150 more who have applications in, which haven't been finalized yet.

Some of the classes in which the students will be participating, will be in the arts of the Indians, such as paddle-making, pottery, canoe building, etc., and these classes will be held in the schools after regular programs and on Saturdays. There will be an attempt made to offer these classes in the schools where the majority of the children will be able to walk to them, so they do not have transportation difficulties. Grades kindergarten through 12th will be represented in the coming year.

Since three schools in the area are named after Chief Sashabaw, his history will be one area of study. It is no accident that the main office for the program will be in Sashabaw Junior High School.

Offers of help for the presentation of some of the programs have come from people in the area who can speak some of the Indian languages, and others have offered their help in teaching the cultures of the various tribes. Other source people are welcome to offer their services. The program can be contacted by calling the Board of Education office at the present. The phone has not been connected as yet, but there will be one installed in the future. The Board Office will have the number. Though non-Indian children may not participate in this program because of grant regulations, there may be some programs presented by and for the Indian children in their regular classes, which will allow other children to share in this opportunity.

Classes for Our Lady of the Lakes High School will begin with a full day of classes on September 7 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Students should bring their lunches. textbooks and schedules the first two days, September 7 and 8. Cafeteria service will begin on September 11.

There are still openings in grades 8 through 12. New students should being their previous high school or grade school records for scheduling to the high school from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon or at 7:00 p.m. on August 28, 29 and 30. Information on courses and the school calendar will be given with the student's schedule.

Interested students and parents should come to the high school Principal's office. The phone number is 623-0340. The high school and junior high offer all students a full college prep course, business education and general high school curriculum plus a variety of vocational education courses in the shared time program with Oakland County. misspelled. They have lingered long past the scheduled event. Events often went unadvertised because no one could be found to put them up.

Jaycee president Jim Randall and Bruce Shull however, swear that era is at an end. They speak of new leadership, men who are anxious to mend fences and create a new image for the Clarkston Jaycees.

These are not just words. They have an artist's rendering of what their new sign would look like and a commitment from the Pine Knob Music Theatre for \$1,500 toward the estimated cost of \$5,000. The sign would be made of bronze requiring little maintenance and certainly no blue paint. Its overall dimensions are subject to change depending on the wishes of the Village Council.

All they are asking is for a second chance which the council appears to have given them, although somewhat conditional.

Now it's up to the people of the community to let the papers, the council and the Jaycees know what their feelings are.

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Orientation Schedule

- Clarkston Junior High Orientation Night will be held Thursday, August 24 at 7:30 pm. for parents, seventh graders and all new junior high students coming into the area.

Sashabaw Junior High Orientation Night will be held August 24th at 7:00 pm. for parents and seventh graders.



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The Joy of Directing Pine Knob Traffic

by Carol Balzarini

When Charlie Kimbel assumed control of Independence Township Police Services several months ago, he inherited the problems of his predecessor, Jack McCall.

Among them was an unapproved budget, a shortage of funds, a township divided in its opinions as to who should provide police protection, and the Pine Knob Music Theatre contract.

Today, he has a budget at last, the funds have been found to make up the deficit and the controversy between the township and the county has faded. The Pine Knob contract, however, remains until September 19 when the current season ends.

Kimbel does not hesitate to say that if he had been making the decisions, Police Services would not have entered into that agreement, at least not under the present conditions.

"I may be jeopardizing my position but...why should I be harassed? Why should the supervisor be harassed? He can't concentrate on township business because of all the telephone complaints - and they are justified."

Kimbel was tired. He had gone to work Thursday morning at the usual time. Pine Knob had scheduled Neil Diamond matinee and evening performances plus opened the box office to sell Bob Seger tickets.

Kimbel's day ended at 1:30 a.m. Another one began some five hours later. He said he hadn't seen his wife since the previous Sunday but considered himself lucky that she was so understanding.

Aside from the long hours, he is tired of the conditions he has to work under directing traffic at Pine Knob.

"Nobody should be subjected to that kind of abuse nobody. They did everything but run me over. We feel we should all be wearing animal control patches on our shirts with the kind of people we have to deal with," he said.

Kimbel admitted Thursday was an unusually difficult day. Because of the music Theatre's schedule, traffic was virtually paralyzed on Sashabaw Road. Emergency vehicles, were forced to use a roundabout route to respond to a car fire there.

Kimbel claims, but can't prove, that many of the concerts are over sold. As a result even the fire lanes are blocked. He says there are some 3,800 cars paying for parking and an additional 500 belonging to friends, relatives and employees.

If there is a contract between the Pine Knob Music Theatre and Police Services next year, there will be more in it than just a financial agreement. Kimbel wants a lot more spelled out than an hourly rate.





Fender-benders are not uncommon, especially after a concert.





Beth Hock gets as many whistles as she does insults as she directs traffic out of Pine Knob.







plants are truly beautiful plants and the varieties are endless (over 500 different varieties since Thomas Hoy first introduced them in the 1700's) giving the plant fancier a good selection from which to chose. And most of all, they are easy to grow.

Australia, have 2 to 4" leathery glossy leaves that derive the name wax plant from the waxy appearance of the long lasting clusters of 1/2 to 1" perfect 5 point star shaped flowers. The flowers are sweetly fragrant and so shiny that they appear to be made of wax.

In order to ensure lots of blooms, the wax plant shold receive at least four hours of sun a day. The flowers are borne on spurs and should never be removed because the flowers re-appear year after year on the same spurs. Each year the spurs get a little longer and the flowers get a little bigger.

Because wax plants need to be potbound in order to bloom, they should rarely be transplanted. 3 to 4" pot is usually suitable for a single plant. Or several plants could be put together in one larger pot. Very rarely, if ever, is a pot any larger than 5" required for a single plant.

The soil should be fast draining and the pots should have adequate drainage holes. During flowering periods the soil should be kept moist. The rest of the time the soil should become almost dry between thorough waterings.

moist to avoid damaging or even killing the roots. To encourage blooms, use a fertilizer that is high in phosphorous,, like Hyponex or Peters.

Propagation can be done from leaf cuttings that have a couple of joints and several leaves that are placed in moist vermiculite or perlite. Or air layering can be performed with much ease.

plants are mealy bugs. These can be easily taken care of by dipping a cotton swab in rubbing alcohol and touching the insects and their egg masses. Or 2 teaspoons of malthion in a gallon fo water can be used to water the plant and to spray the foliage.





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FOR GUYS

Just One of Those Days

They hadn't been married so many years that they had ironed out all the wrinkles in their relationship, but they were trying. He thought she was too sensitive, and she thought he was insensitive -- especially where her feelings were concerned. Things were going along smoothly, however, when they decided to have some remodeling done on their house. Someone reccommended a carpenter, and on the appointed day, the carpenter and his helper (who happened to be his son) arrived bright and early.

The couple was fascinated by the way the two of them worked. The son never said a word, but always seemed to be there with whatever his father needed a minute before he needed it. When that day's work was done, and the workers departed, however, wife remarked that she thought maybe the son was dumb or stupid because she hadn't heard him speak one word. Husband said, "Oh, I don't know -- but I'll tell you something -- he sure reminded me of your brother Ed." That started the battle all over again, and no matter what friend husband said, he got deeper and deeper in trouble, although he tried hard to defend himself, and said he wasn't being critical.

The workers returned the next day, but if they noticed the icy chill in the atmosphere, they didn't mention it. It was on the third day, however, that the work was almost finished, and wife's mother and aunt dropped by to see how the work was coming. Husband and wife were tryng to act friendly in front of their guests, but auntie came in the door with a look of surprise on her face. She walked right past them with her arms outstretched toward the two carpenters. "Why George, and Georgie!" she said. Then, noting everyone's confusion, she added, "why didn't you recognize Georgie!" You two are second cousins! How could you not have noticed the resemblance between Georgie and your brother Ed?"

While the conversation quickly covered such things as "what a small world!" auntie caught the younger cousins up on the family connections -- but husband seemed to have a fit of coughing or choking, and had to close himself in the bathroom. Wife knew, with a dismal feeling, that she was in for "Just One of Those Days" when she noticed he was still laughing when he again joined the group.



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Craft and Cider Snowballs

The fourth annual Craft and Cider Festival is turning out to be a fun-filled weekend with a number of activities coinciding with the craft show and sale to be held in the Village Park September 22-24.

Several service organizations have expressed an interest in participating in the event including the Friends of the Independence Township Library who will repeat their popular face-painting project initiated during Artrain. Along with face-painting, the group will have a membership drive with a special September rate of only \$1 for an individual membership.

The Independence Center Players may be performing a children's play in the park on Saturday. Joan Kopietz of the Village Business Association has suggested having games for children that day also.

The Jaycees are planning to extend the day's activities into the evening with a beer tent, entertainment, and a chicken barbeque on Sunday.

Also planned, although the details are not definite, is other musical entertainment during the three-day community event.

Folk Music in the Park

The band shell in the Village Park in downtown Clarkston will be the scene of a folk music festival on Wednesday, August 30 starting at 7 p.m.

Money for the entertainment comes from leftover funds from the now defunct village band. Advertising will be handled by the Village Business Association.

Community groups interested in selling refreshments should contact Joan Kopietz at Tierra Arts and Design, 625-2511.

Library Adds Books

Added to the Independence Township Library's collection are the following fictions, non-fictions and iunior books:

- 1. Microwave Cooking in three speeds.
- 2. The World of Story Telling by Anne Pellowski.
- 3. Quaser, Quaser Burning Bright by Isaac Asimov. 4. How to Turn Your Ideas into a Million Dollar by Don
- Kracke.
- 5. The Great Detectives by Otto Penzler.
- 6. Nine O'Clock Tide by Mignon G. Eberhart.
- 7. So Much Blood by Simon Brett.



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10. Patooie by Robert Newton Peck.

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- 11. Victims of the Aurora by Thomas Keneally.
- 12. The Queen's Husband by Jean Plaidy.
- 13. The Queen and Lord M. by Jean Plaidy.
- 14. Fairytales by Cynthia Freeman.
- 15. Midnight Specials by Bill Pronzini.
- 16. An Air of Glory by Sarah Neilan.

17. The Keyword and Other Mysteries by Isa Asimov.

18. A Summer in the South by James Marshall.

A twenty volume set of Junior Encyclopedias has been added to the juvenile collection.

Summer movies and story hours are continuing as scheduled every Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock and Thursday mornings at 11 o'clock. For further information call 625-2212.

Creative Nursery Accepting Applications

Creative Co-op Nursery School, 4453 Clintonville Road, Waterford, is accepting applications for enrollment for the 78-79 school year. A three year old class on Tuesdays and Thursdays and a four year old class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to J 11:30 are being offered.

A pre-orientation tea for parents is scheduled for August 24. Orientation will be held on September 7 with classes starting on September 11 and 12.

For more information, contact Cindy Seelbinder at 625-1353 or Pam Petersen at 394-0753.





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library is urged to contact the President of the Friends of the Independence Township LIbrary, Chris Schull at 625-3250.

Rosman Spouting Outright Lies

To the Editor:

Mr. Stephen Rosman continues to do western Oakland County a disservice by spouting outright lies. For those who aren't yet aware of his gall, I will point out a couple of facts.

* First, he rallied "Citizens in Opposition to M275" by ballyhooing his concern about the environment. Now a State Highway Department analysis of the "Rosman Alternative" exposes that he "tried to protect commercial establishments and subdivisions at the expense of the natural environmental attributes."

Second, on WWJ Radio Monday Mr. Rosman stated: ''It's difficult when you can't get out of your driveway not to want some of the benefits of good transportation. I think the problem stems not from failure of the (State) HIghway Commission to take action. The failure stems from neglect-20 years of neglect-by the Oakland County Road Commission.''

The record proves Mr. Rosman is wrong. As one example, the fact is that 76 percent of the county roads in Commerce Township are paved-compared to a

County-wide average of only 52 percent. In West Bloomfield Township, which Mr. Rosman considers an important route direction, 70 percent of the county roads are paved. The very route Mr. Rosman chose to suggest as a north-south alternative to M-275 is entirely county roads, paved its full length, having several multi-lane segments and signalized. That's not "neglect".

Mr. Rosman also chooses to ignore the fact that the Oakland County Road Commission has been actively attempting since well prior to 1957 (more than 20 years) to serve his region with a major highway. The year 1957 Irene Rauth 7441 Scenic Ridge Clarkston, Mi. 48063

contracted with the State Highway Department for construction of Northwestern Highway from Eight Mile Road through West Bloomfield and Commerce Townships to M-59 and US-23. The Road Commission honored that contract, paid \$1.8 million over a period of 20 years (yes, 20 years) with the expectation that the State Highway Department would also honor the contract.

The Road Commission has since the early 1900's participated with state, county and municipal governments of this metropolitan region to plan logical transportation. Part of those plans, originally agreed to by the State Highway Commission as a full partner in the



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planning, was that the State Highway Commission would provide the trunkline Northwestern Highway and M-275 freeway. In that way county and municipal road agencies would be able to concentrate on secondary road and street purposes as state law intends.

The Oakland County Road Commission did not unilaterally cancel M-275. The Oakland County Road Commission did not balk on its 20 year contract for Northwestern Highway. The State Highway Commission did both.

The record of "neglect" in western Oakland County is quite different than Mr. Rosman's lies.

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Board members had met recently with Robert Bendzinski, municipal finance advisor, in connection with the sewer tax and the amount of millage currently being levied.

Bendzinski had prepared the original analysis of the sewer situation in 1976 presenting a "forecast" through the year 2001 for the sewer bond and the interest fund.



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community center, its pros and cons.

Named were Barbara Steele, Susan Bennett, Elyse 3 Yakimowich, Bruce Shull, Jerry Powell and another member to be named later.

These people will not only investigate the need for a community center but, if one is deemed necessary, will also recommend just what form that center should take. They will also consider the size of such a center and possible funding sources.

In other township business, the transfer of a liquor license from Hazel Manzella to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beasley was approved. The Beasleys have been operating the Deer Lake Inn for the past several months. Board approval was given for an additional police mill to appear on the November ballot. The new nill is needed to maintain current police protection.

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More Land Development Gets Independence's Approval

At the August 15 meeting of the Independence Township Board, the final preliminary plat was approved for Keatington North No. 1. The development, located on Eston Road south of Clarkston Road, will have '> 32 acre and a half lots with wells and septics. Phases two and three, under restrictions by the Oakland County Health Department, will have sanitary sewers. The total development will have 157 lots.

Also approved at the meeting was a final preliminary plat for Deer Lake Pines developed by Al Bauer and located on the Dixie Highway side of Deer Lake. At the same time an exception from the central water system requirement was approved by the board. There are 20 lots involved and permission has been granted by the Department of Natural Resources to fill in certain areas.

Final preliminary plat approval was given to Lake Maria Woods, located in both Springfield and Independence Townships, although a surety bond was required to guarantee completion of Lake Maria now in the process of being dredged.

Two acreage splits were given conditional approval by the board paving the way for the developers to seek approval for their developments with private roads from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

One parcel is a land-locked twenty acres located behind Spring Lake Country Club. The Maybee Road Company, owners of the property, are seeking to divide the acreage into eight smaller parcels with access by a private road.

The other proposed development is 213 acres on Reese Road owned by the Bitterbrush Corporation and developed by Frank Walker. The proposal is for 22 lots, most of them ten acres in size. Access to the lots would have to be by private road but the one proposed by Walker is a class C gravel road by Oakland County Road Commission standards.

The two lot splits were automatically turned down by the lot split committee because at the present time Independence Township has no ordinance governing private roads, no guidelines or standards, although the problem is under study.





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Houses - or "it takes a heap of living to make a House a Home! Part III

by Joan Allen

The building of our first house had gone smoothly. Since I was the one who had to drive from Royal Oak to Rochester to check on the builder's progress, and I didn't like to drive, the construction moved ahead with very little interference from me. There were things I wished I'd interfered with in time to have them done over, like the hastily inserted clothes chute that ended up with a nail halfway down the chute that caught the clothes. It took two people with broomsticks, pushing from the upper hall, and the basement, to dislodge the clothes from the chute, and more than one item got torn on that nail.

With the second house, I vowed to do things differently. Our earlier than planned departure to the cottage, so that the new owners could move into our old house, made my surveillance impossible, however. There I was, almost 300 miles away from the scene of the crime! By the time I returned to town, most of the damage was beyond repair!

The house was not finised by Labor Day as promised. In fact, it was November before we could move into it, and then the workmen kept coming for weeks. We had to find a place to live in, in the meantime, however. The

children had to be in school! We were lucky -- we were able to enlist the aid of a friend who had a friend -- and we moved into an apartment. We moved in with borrowed cots, blankets from the cottage, paper plates, and one lamp, that is. Our things were still in storage and there was no way that we could get some of them out, and no way we could get all of them into the apartment.

The children started school. The youngest was in kindergarten, so went half days. The middle one attended elementary school, and the eldest one was beginning junior high. That meant that they all went to school at different times, and came home at different times, and had to be driven to the neighborhood we were moving into, so they could catch the school bus, or they had to be driven to school. We tried it both ways. I was on the road so much, I had to go by the house daily -- and I was upset.

In the first place, the builder put the laundry room (on the first floor this time) door over about six inches from where it was suppose to be, and a tape measure bore out my fears. My washer and dryer wouldn't fit in the space that he had allowed. If we moved it at a reasonable cost, the stove would not fit in the space allowed for it. We ended up buying a new washer and dryer.

The man who put in the switch plates and the light-fixtures had obviously been light-headed (I am still trying to be charitable) and got the plates on crooked, and hung the powder room light fixture just off center. The bricklayer had obviously been thirsty, because the





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in, and they soon had things straightened out.

I liked that house except for problems that were not foreseen. The laundry room was just off the kitchen, and it was also the side entrance of the house. The door to the garage and basement was also in the laundry room, as was the door to the powder room. It was, therefore, not a room but a hallway. I don't think more than four people used our front door while we lived in that house. They all waded throught dirty laundry instead!

There were other things that went wrong too. We had double front doors which I loved. The problem was that since they both opened, and were wood, they shrunk away from each other, leaving a slit wide enough to let the snow come in during the winter. The hard wood floors I had insisted on should never have been put in. They shrunk, and filler had to be used to hide the damage when they dried out the next summer. The two-way fireplace that was our pride and joy also presented problems. When the sliding door was opened in the family room, to set up a draft to encourage a fire, etc., it would blow ashes onto the living room carpet. Worse of all, however, was the easy destruction of the vinyl siding which we had chosen over aluminum. Anything that touched it that first winter managed to poke holes in it. It was easily patched, but it was a nuisance. It was my understanding that the whole process was improved later on, but we were one of the С

first homeowners to request the vinyl.
 We had a basement that went under the whole house,

and it was like a hall. It wasn't long before the kids had



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None of those things got to us like the size of that vard, though! Even with a ranch house on it, it was like a football field.! It was endless work just trying to get a lawn going. Sod for the whole area was out of the question, so we again did-it-ourselves, with the aid of a friend with some heavy equipment. The trouble was, we also had the cottage, and the kids and I wanted to be there in the summer. We did not make headway on the yard. If the grubs weren't eating the roots of the young grass, the weeds were developing trunks like young trees. We finally decided we couldn't take it any longer. We wanted a smaller yard, a smaller basement, a bigger family room, and we did not want the living room and family room to be back to back so the kids could look through the fireplace (if not crawling through it) when we were trying to entertain adults in there. We started talking about moving again. This time, we told ourselves, we would move into a "second-hand" house where someone else had already broken their backs or their pocketbooks on landscaping, and had ironed out all the little squeaks and cracks before we moved in. That wasn't the way it happened though. (To be continued.)



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