

## obituaries

**JAMES WILLIAM LOWER**  
Mr. Lower, 30, of Detroit, formerly of Farmington, died March 19 in Saratoga Hospital, Detroit.  
Mr. Lower was a delivery man for Copy Support Co.  
Survivors include his wife, Juanita; daughters, Brenda, Dora and Amy; parents, Gale and Marian Lower; brother, Robert; sisters, Laura Zacheretti and Wanda; grandparents, Elmer and Cleola Bassett.  
Services were March 23 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Lloyd Wozniak officiating. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Livonia.

**CLYDE TACKETT**  
Mr. Tackett, 60, of Grayling died March 19 in Mercy Hospital, Grayling.  
Born in Kentucky, Mr. Tackett worked for General Motors.  
Survivors include his wife, Phyllis; sons, Gregory and Michael; daughters, Stephanie Bradley, Deborah Tackett, Janet Jacobson; Faye and Stacey Tackett; parents, Willie and Hanna Tackett; eight brothers and two sisters; 10 grandchildren.  
Services were March 22 at the

Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Don Broke of Grayling Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

**GLADYS ALICE CLINE**  
Mrs. Cline, 88, of Detroit died March 20 in Redford Geriatric Village, Detroit.  
Mrs. Cline was a homemaker.  
Survivors include her husband, Jacob; sons, Phillip and Paul Jordan, Jack and Donald Cline; a daughter, Hazel Gordon; sister, Nellie Gillet; 17 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.  
Services were March 24 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. T. Richard Marcell of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley.

**EMILE JULIAN DIRETTE**  
Mr. Dirette, 78, of Detroit died March 20 in Mt. Carmel Hospital, Detroit.  
Mr. Dirette was a crane operator for Copco.  
Survivors include his wife, Catherine; sons, Albert, Louis and Bruce; three brothers and four sisters; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.  
Services were March 23 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Edward Belczak officiating.

**MINDA HENLINE**  
Mrs. Henline, 79, of Farmington Hills died March 19 in Henry Ford Hospital.  
Mrs. Henline was a supervisor for the hotel industry.  
Survivors include her daughters, Connie Fosness and Betty Holmbo; brother, Carl Luoma; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.  
Services were March 22 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Elmer R. Limatta officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

**PETER ROBERT KLOPP**  
Mr. Klopp, 67, of Farmington Hills died March 19 in Boisford Hospital, Farmington Hills.  
Mr. Klopp was retired owner of Kopp Engineering. He was former zoning commissioner of Farmington Hills. He was a member of Huron

River Hunt & Fish Club.  
Survivors include his wife, Virginia; stepson, John Jewett; sister, Ellen Gascoigne; brother, Arle; three grandchildren.  
Cremation was in Evergreen Crematory, Detroit. Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.  
Memorials may be made to the Michigan Heart Association.

**GLADYS J. COX**  
Mrs. Cox, 82, of Drayton Plains died March 20 in St. Joseph Hospital, Pontiac.  
Mrs. Cox was a retired Detroit school teacher. She was a Life Master bridge player and a member of Watford Senior Citizen Group.  
Survivors include her sons, Edsel, Herald and Robert; sister, Kathryn Biers of Farmington; 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were March 23 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James Tuttle of Clarenceville United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in North Farmington Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Leader Dogs for the Blind.

## C'ville OKs layoffs

By Kevin Brown  
staff writer

Because it's too early to tell if Clarenceville School District will get increased state aid to offset rising costs, the Board of Education has approved teacher layoffs and is considering up to nearly \$200,000 in further cuts.

On Thursday, the board approved layoffs of 11 teachers and reduction of another full-time teaching position by one-fifth, said Superintendent Michael Shibler.

The layoffs will take effect at the end of the current school year. Shibler said teachers with least seniority and non-certified teachers — spread evenly among district schools — were selected for layoffs. The action will save the district \$302,000.

Yet, if state aid to the district increases, Shibler said, "We may call some of them back."

Shibler has been speaking with various school staffs about the layoffs and asking for suggestions where the schools budget might be trimmed.

At Thursday's board meeting, he presented a list of possible budget cuts. "These recommendations are a beginning point," he explained, adding the list is open to revision.

While the tentative list prepared by the superintendent suggested cutting travel and conference expenses by 25 percent — a savings of more than \$5,000 — board members suggested a moratorium on all out-of-state travel. Shibler said that suggestion will be added to the tentative list of potential cuts.

He said the board will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in the Clarenceville Junior High cafeteria.

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