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## New statistics show population boom

By Eric Bowen  
Staff Writer

Municipalities just west of Ann Arbor were among the most rapidly growing communities in the county over the last eight years, according to recent population estimates reported by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

The population boom slackened farther west, but double digits increases were common in many areas.

SEMCOG demographer Jeff Nutting said that building in more rural areas is a trend in the housing market. That, and the county's central location, make it a prime spot for new residences.

"Developers are looking toward large-

scale developments, which require more large-scale parcels of land," Nutting said. "In particular to Washtenaw County, you have bedroom communities. Also, there are a lot of employment opportunities in the area."

At 41.7 percent, Webster Township had the largest population growth in the local area, coming in second only to Pittsfield Township, which had an increase of 49.4 percent. Eight new subdivisions currently going up in the township mark the high growth rate.

Webster Township's rapid growth was a surprise even to Township Assessor Charlene Grendze. Though she catalogued all the new homes as they went in, the sheer number staggered her.

"Even being the assessor here and seeing the building that's going on it's mind-boggling," she said. "We still try to maintain that small-town atmosphere. We want them to feel comfortable and make them glad they moved to Webster Township."

Dexter Village saw 560 new faces since 1990, for an increase of 37.4 percent. Dexter Village President Loren Yates said the village currently has several new subdivisions going in and development in commercial and industrial areas.

Yates said the growth could double the population of Dexter over the next few years.

Kim Wilkins, vice president of opera-

tions for Norfolk Development Corp., said his company is building 170 new homes in Dexter. The company has already sold its 70 condominiums in the Huron Commons project and has sold 30 of 100 single-family housing plots in Huron Farms.

Wilkins said Norfolk has found a pent-up demand for new houses in Dexter and doesn't foresee any slowdown of development any time soon. With the economy in good shape, Wilkins said the remaining house plots should sell well.

Norfolk is building in Dexter because it's a nice community to live in, Wilkins said. Dexter has easy access to the highway, good schools and good sewer and

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### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Schools to hold kindergarten orientation

Chelsea Early Childhood Coalition and Chelsea School District will hold an orientation for parents with children starting in kindergarten next school year. The program will be held at 7 p.m. Jan. 14 in the cafeteria at the Washington Street Education Center.

Children must be 5 years old by Dec. 1 to be eligible for kindergarten. Children do not usually attend this meeting.

#### Students compete in math contest

Eight Chelsea High School students qualified for the second part of the 41st annual Michigan Mathematics Prize

Competition. The students qualified for the second test by placing among the top 7 percent of 14,000 participants on an exam given Oct. 14.

The top 50 scorers on the second test will likely receive college scholarships.

The Chelsea winners are Liana Austin, John Carter, Jenni Martin, Rachel Mead, Pat Murphy, Isaac Robinovitz, Aaron Ruhlrig and Andy Thiel.

#### Gingerbread house winners announced

Judges for the Chelsea Festival of Lights Gingerbread House competition recently ranked the entries for this year's event.

Tammy Burke received first prize in the adult category, winning a gift certificate from Gigi's Flowers and Gifts. Livona Greer came in second, followed by Sara Cummings.

Two sisters, Alexi and Madeline Broekhuizen, won the top prize in the children's competition. Jason Doyle, 6, and his mother, Heidi, won the second prize followed by the 3-year-old group from Chelsea Children's Cooperative. All received a copy of the children's story "The Legend of Sleeping Bear."



#### Snowed In

Local residents dug out the snow shovels and then their driveways this weekend after the year's first major storm dumped snow across the region. Official measurements at Chelsea Wastewater Treatment Plant put the total snowpack at 10 inches on Saturday, and traces in the days following. Right: Matthew and John Howard, and their dog Romeo, helped their father brush the snow off his truck. Below: Steve Hinz shovels snow from the front of Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts.



## Lyndon man dies in auto accident

Car strikes lawn mower in crash

By Eric Bowen  
Staff Writer

A 71-year-old Lyndon Township man died last Tuesday after an oncoming car collided with the tractor he was driving.

Joseph Hubbard was sitting on a riding lawnmower about 1:30 p.m. in the driveway of his Waterloo Road home near Werkner Road. A car came around the corner, lost control and struck him before slamming into a nearby tree. He was killed instantly.

The car driver, 16-year-old Carolyn Sivrais, suffered minor injuries in the crash and was treated at Chelsea Community Hospital. Police administered a breath test, but Sivrais tested negative for alcohol.

Washtenaw County Sheriff Sgt. Dan Minzey said the road was icy at the time of the crash, but police have yet to determine if the road conditions caused the accident. He said the accident investigation would be turned over to a county prosecutor to determine if any charges would be brought against Sivrais.

## BookCrafters expects little disruption from sale of company

By Eric Bowen  
Staff Writer

The outlook for BookCrafters business prospects is bright despite plans by its parent company to sell the book publishing division, BookCrafters President Gary Davis said recently. Several buyers have toured the Chelsea facilities with an eye toward entering or extending their presence in the publishing market.

"Many people are looking at BookCrafters as a way to get into a new market," Davis said. "They're looking for involvement in BookCrafters as a way of expanding their overall services and market coverage. Most people look at it as an expansion of their business and a way to obtain synergies between their business and ours."

Davis said discussion of the BookCrafters sale began about a year ago as American Business Products (AMP) examined its long-term strategy. The company brought in a new CEO, who was charged with focusing the company on its core markets.

Since much of AMP's business is in printing labels, wrappers and paper products, BookCrafters was a natural place to sell, Davis said. Book publishing could not be integrated well with the company's other printing operations.

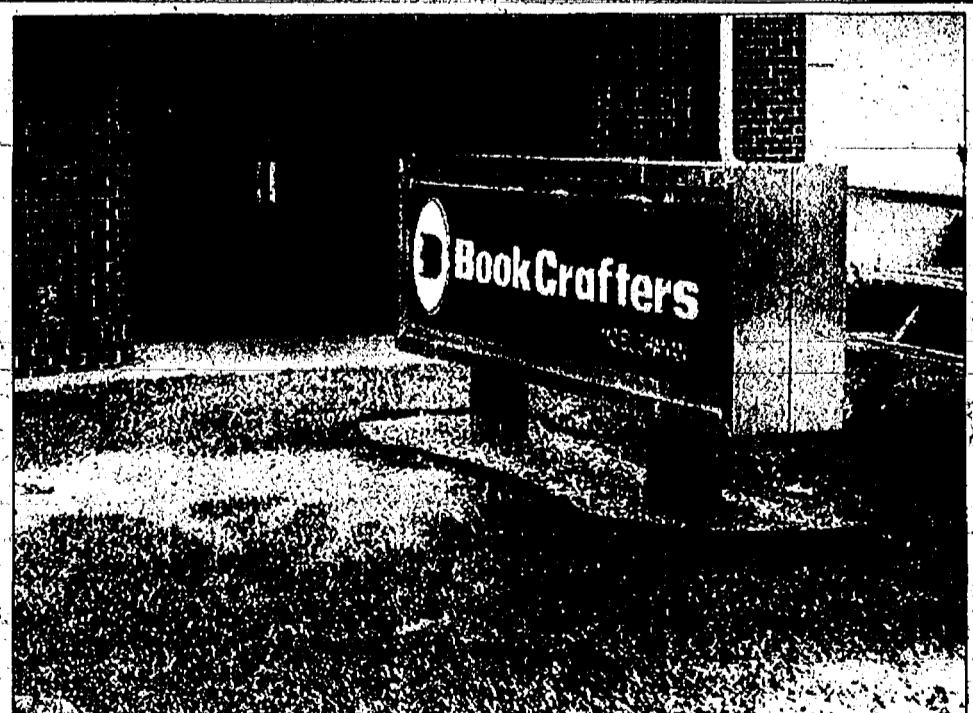
"BookCrafters was the only company that was involved in core printing," Davis said. "If you take a look at (the) portfolio of companies, they are not very related. They couldn't create central services for that portfolio."

Davis said the changeover will likely have little impact on the company. BookCrafters recently spent more than \$2.5 million to upgrade its printing presses and another \$3.5 million on computer equipment to improve its position.

BookCrafters' upgrades have been made at a time when business is booming for small-run bookbinders, according to Susan Lackey, president of the Washtenaw Development Council. Lackey said that many publishers are focusing on smaller print runs to provide a just-in-time inventory, instead of printing large numbers of books and putting them in a warehouse.

BookCrafters employees have also voiced an interest in buying the company, Davis said.

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BookCrafters' parent company, American Business Products, announced last month that the Chelsea-based book-publishing division would be sold. BookCrafters President Gary Davis said the change is not likely to affect the company's operations or personnel.

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# GROWTH

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water services. Dexter also has the intangible benefit of being in the country.

It's the small-town character that Yates hopes to preserve in the face of development pressure, he said. More people in the school district mean more people on the roads and more services to meet the people's needs.

"We're losing our small-town atmosphere," he said. "Traffic flow, for instance, as it keeps growing, the demands on the village employees keep going up."

"We're trying to get everything done in the office that we need to get done. We already have one of our staff across the street because we don't have room."

Dexter in particular is losing land more rapidly than other

areas. Growth in new households, which could be a condominium or house, topped out at 57 percent.

Nutting said the growth in households reflects a trend toward smaller-sized households. He said the economy has boosted local incomes, so people can afford to buy houses for one or two people. The development in Dexter also promotes low-density housing on larger lot sizes.

The effects of growth can have a positive impact on a community, Nutting said. New residents help create good transportation and infrastructure systems. They can also bring in more tax revenue to the local government.

"In Washtenaw County right now, the effect of the growth is mainly positive," Nutting said. "The effect of the development, and a precursor to development is you're getting extension of infrastructure, exten-

	Population Growth Since 1990			
	Population		Household	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Chelsea	177	4.7	174	12.5
Dexter	580	37.4	361	57
Dexter Township	419	9.5	251	16.4
Lima Township	343	16.1	168	23.3
Lyndon Township	233	10.5	135	19.3
Scio Township	2,899	30.3	1,311	37.7
Sylvan Township	344	13.7	175	21.2
Webster Township	1,348	41.7	538	49

sion of roads and sewer. You also get the formation of emergency services that weren't covered before."

Lima Township Supervisor Gary Adams doesn't necessarily see it that way. He said the township has tried to maintain its agricultural base, but has felt intense development pressure, growing 16.1 percent since 1990.

Agriculture has taken a hit from low prices for farm products and tax policies that revalue land when it is sold so

younger farmers end up paying higher taxes if they buy land. And, Adams said, the signs point to a continuation of development.

"Lima township has been pretty lucky the last few years that we haven't gotten the growth pressure of Scio Township," Adams said. "But the development is going to be there. The question is how do you manage it. To me growth is the single most important issue we face."

# BOOK

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that shows a commitment to the company and its place in Chelsea.

"Who knows the future, but I would say that from my perspective and from talking to others who have expressed in BookCrafters, the business is pretty much going to stay as it is," Davis said. "The market conditions for our type of business remain good. I think there's a place for BookCrafters and short-run printing."

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# Correction

An Article in the Dec. 24 News Briefs incorrectly stated that McKinley Commercial Inc. owns the Clock Tower building. The building is owned by Ronald Weiser and managed by McKinley Commercial.

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# Lima Board appoints advisers

By Michael Rybka

The Lima Township Board unanimously appointed four people to serve on advisory boards, Jan. 4, while delaying decision on a fifth opening.

The terms for all five appointees officially expired Dec. 31. The board has a month's leeway to fill the vacant seats.

The board selected Paul Wensel and Pat Spade to continue their tenure on the Lima Township Board of Review. For Wensel, the appointment marks his third consecutive term. Spade will begin her second term.

John Edwards will be a new face on the board, replacing Elmer Kiel. Kiel cited health reasons for not seeking another term.

Board of Review appointments are for two-year terms.

Gregory McKenzie will continue to serve as chairman of the Lima Township Planning Commission.

It was estimated that

McKenzie, who was not in attendance, has served on the commission for nine years, six of those as its chairman.

The reappointment of Marvin Carlson, who has been serving as the commission's vice-chairman, was withheld under the urging of Lima Township Board Supervisor Gary Adams.

Since his last reappointment, Carlson has had his

property on Chelsea-Dexter Road annexed into the village of Chelsea. He has also spent much of the last three months in South Carolina building a home which has prevented him from attending meetings.

It was for these reasons that Adams said a delayed decision was preferable.

Planning commission appointments are for three-year terms.

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# Woman's club hosts Christmas celebration

The Woman's Club of Chelsea held its annual Christmas party on Dec. 8 at the Common Grill in Chelsea.

Twenty-seven members were present, including two guests for the evening. After a delicious meal, the group was entertained by Gloria Mitchell, who presented a program on women's fashions dating back to the 1860s.

Gloria dressed her mannequin in outfits ranging from bathing suits and undergarments worn at the turn of the century into the fashions of the '20's and '30's.

The group elected to collect for the charity "Warm the Children" in lieu of exchanging gifts among themselves. A sizeable amount was collected.

The next meeting on Jan. 26 will be a tour of the new high school hosted by Lois Moore.

# Wreath making subject of Garden Club meeting

A wreathmaking demonstration will be presented at the next monthly meeting of the Chelsea Area Garden Club, on Monday, Jan. 11, at 12:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Club member Erma O'Connor will show members and guests some methods of creating beautiful wreaths. Two small wreaths will be offered as door prizes.

Also, the club's officers will lead a discussion about what topics, programs, and activities club members would like to plan in 1999.

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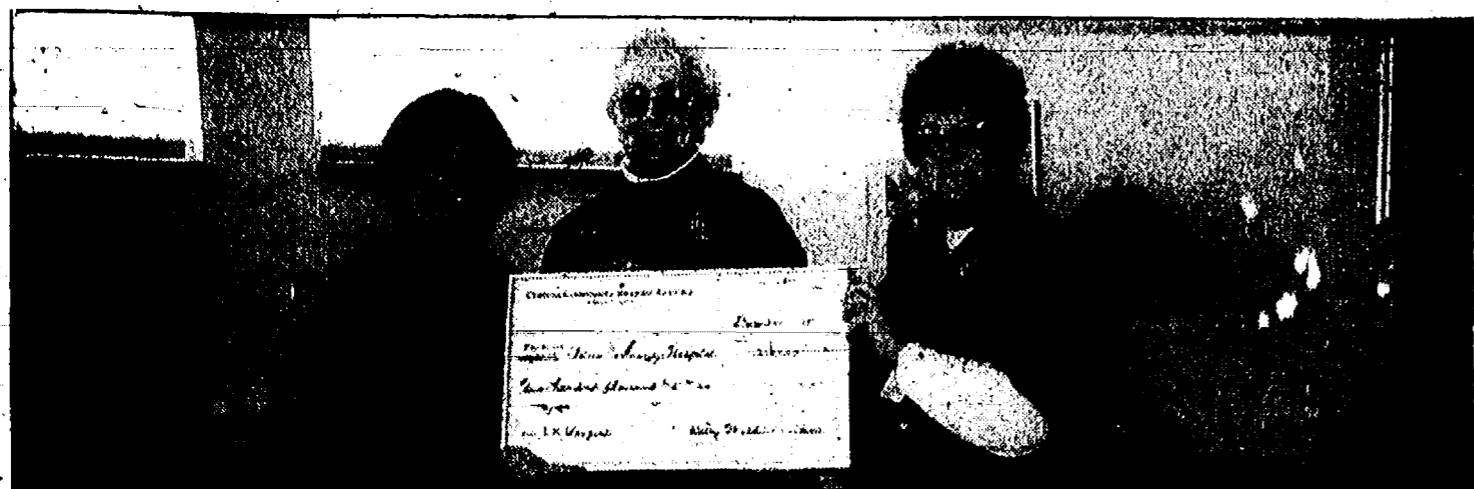
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Chelsea Hospital Auxiliary has pledged \$200,000 over five years toward the hospital's emergency room expansion and renovation project. From left are hospital CEO Kathleen Griffiths, Mary Harris, past-president of the auxiliary, and Betty Wild, the current president. The auxiliary raises money through yard sales, book sales, bazaars and the operation of the Arbor Nook store in the hospital.

## Chelsea hospital seeks donations to expand

Chelsea Community Hospital has announced that fundraising efforts for a renovated and expanded emergency room has extended to the community.

The campaign goal is to raise a minimum of \$1 million.

Last September, the groundwork for the capital campaign called "Growing To Serve You Better," was initiated by first seeking support from the hospital family. The Hospital Auxiliary, the employees and the Board of Trustees were asked to participate prior to the community effort.

During the campaign's community phase, teams of community leaders will speak with numerous businesses and individuals and offer an opportunity to participate in the campaign. This phase, designed to take the campaign over the goal, will run through January and conclude on Feb. 4.

Campaign Chairman John Mann, president of Chelsea State Bank, said he was very pleased with the initial response from business and individuals. To date, more than \$800,000 has been raised toward the minimum goal of \$1 million.

Lead gifts from the Hospital Auxiliary, Chelsea Milling, Chelsea State Bank, Emergency Physicians Medical Group, Sweepster Inc. and BookCrafters Inc. have set a guiding pace for the campaign.

Other businesses that have stepped forward with major gifts to support this campaign are Laboratory Associates of Ann Arbor, Palmer Family Eord, Colone Chrysler, Plymouth, Merkel Furniture, BAPCO Industries, MacDee, Inc., Pilot Industries, Pittsfield Products, The Chelsea

Standard, Chelsea Pharmacy and KeyBank-Chelsea.

Chelsea Community Hospital started the expansion and renovation project of its emergency room in August. The \$3.1-million project will increase the facility by 8,600 square feet and include the renovation of 4,000 square feet.

The completed emergency room will have 12 large, well-equipped treatment rooms (up from the current eight small rooms) for patients. The new emergency department will have a distinct entrance for emergency room patients, a larger waiting room with a special area for children, and separate areas for patient reception, registration and triage.

Also included are a bereavement room and a security office. It is expected that the new facility will be able to accommodate 20,000 to 24,000 patient visits annually.

"It has been many years since CCH has asked the community for help and the response has been especially rewarding," Mann said.

"The support indicates the community is appreciative of the hospital's programs and services. Citizens want a more efficient emergency room close to home when they need medical treatment."

Serving with John Mann on the Campaign Executive Committee are Anne Colone, Tom Davis, Gary Davis, David Gravelly, Tim Merkel, Fred Mills, Dr. Pat Munson, Dr. Barry Nemon, John Rutherford and Suzie Weber.

Teams of community volunteers will seek additional contributions from member of the Chelsea, Dexter, Pinckney and Manchester areas. Volunteering in community teams are

Co-Chairs Sue Starkey and David Barnett, Deb Bauer, Craig Common, Ken Geitzen, Pam Radcliffe, Marcia Kipfimler, Donna Lane, Ed Greenleaf, Bob Trudell and Bill Wescott.

If you wish to participate or support the hospital's emergency room campaign, please contact the Development Office at Chelsea Community Hospital at 475-4034.



## School's Out

Local kids enjoyed a day off from school Monday by sledding down a hill off Park Street. Left: Travis Alcazar, 6, and Kevin Rosentreter, 8, take a ride down the hill. Above: John McKenzie, 12, tries out his snowboard. School was closed again Tuesday.

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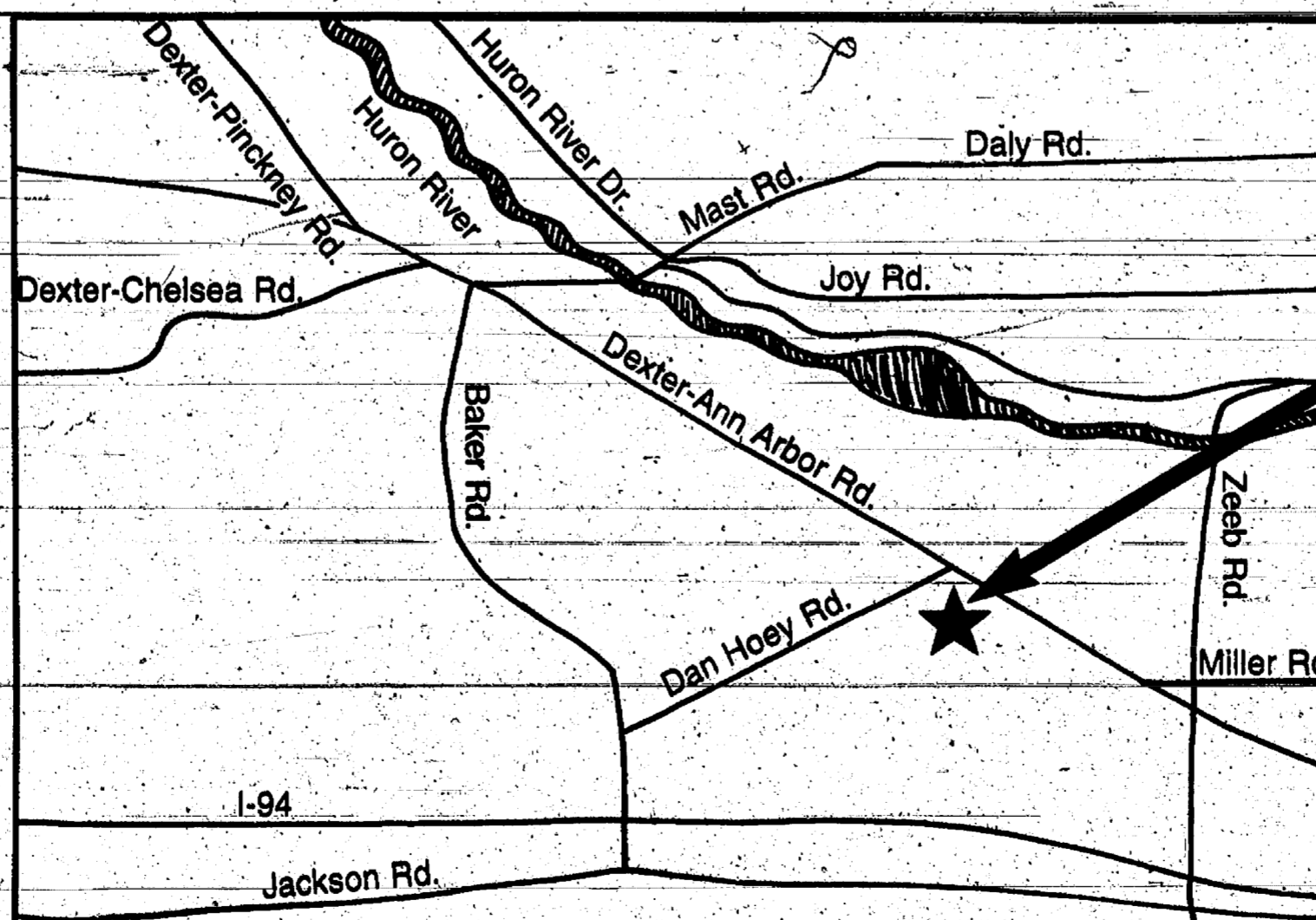
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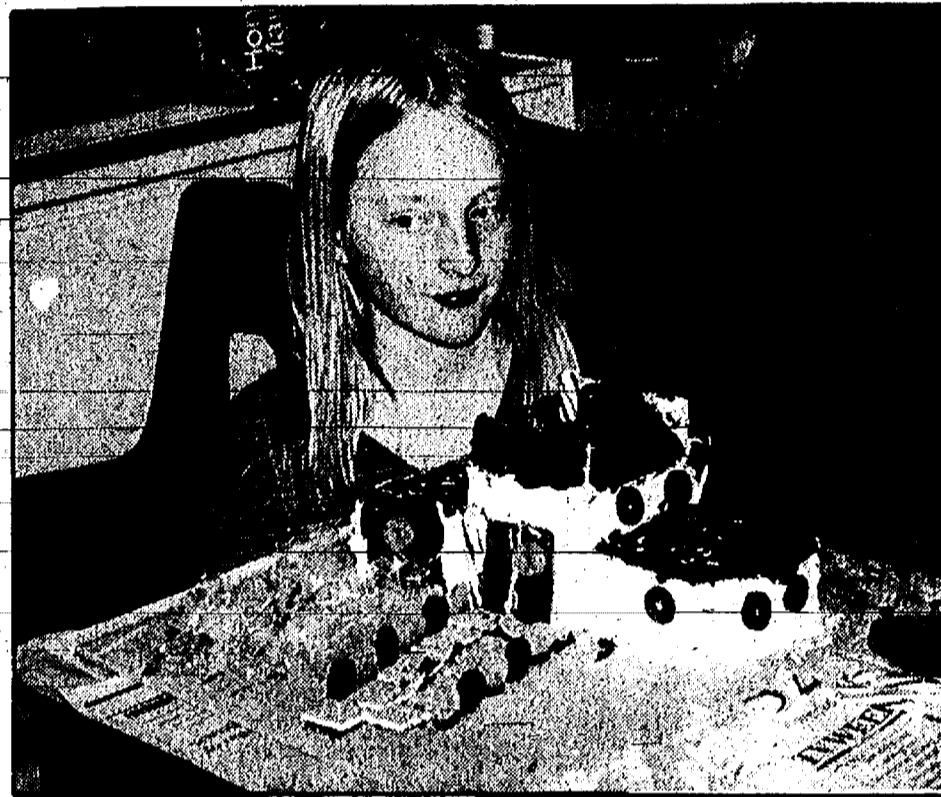
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**Holiday Treat**

Students in teacher Sam Skidmore's class at Wylie Middle School made gingerbread houses out of graham crackers and frosting Dec. 18, the last day before winter break. Pictured above from left are students Scott Thompson, Cory Gray and Nick Libra with their creations. Also pictured is Heidi Clements with her masterpiece.



**Take care of pets in cold months**

This winter will undoubtedly be as cold as previous Michigan winters. So when you think about winterizing your car or adding insulation on your home, also think about your pets' special winter care needs.

Winter can be an especially hazardous season for companion animals. The steps some take to make life more comfortable for themselves can kill pets. The Humane Society of Huron Valley offers the following advice:

- Dogs and cats that are outside for even a few hours each day during the cold months need up to 50 percent more food than during the summer. Keeping warm requires extra energy. Dog houses can be made warmer by putting them on cinder blocks to get them off the ground, putting a thick layer of straw inside, and hanging a piece of plastic or blanket over the door. Also, make sure your dog knows or is shown how to get into and out of the doghouse after you put plastic or the blanket over the door.

- The sweet taste of antifreeze attracts animals but the chemical can be deadly. Check your car hoses for leaks. Carefully use a funnel when adding antifreeze, and mop up spills. If an accident does occur be sure to get your pet to a veterinarian, or to the county Animal Emergency Clinic immediately.

- Chemicals that melt snow and ice can also harm pets. After your pet's walk, wipe off your pet's feet and underside with a damp towel.

- Many cats are injured because they sleep under the hoods of cars looking for warmth. When the owner starts the car the cat is caught in the fan belt and is severely injured. Prevention is easy. Just give a loud knock on your car hood before you start your engine.

- Indoor warmth can dry out a pet's coat and skin. Vegetable oil can be added to your pet's food — one teaspoon for every 30 pounds.

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**Shoveling snow can be stressful**

The snow Jack Frost delivers to your driveway, sidewalks and steps this winter comes with good news and bad news. The good news is shoveling snow can be good aerobic activity. The bad news is if people are not careful, they could be at risk for a heart attack or back strain.

"After a heavy snowfall, it is common to hear reports of individuals with chest pain and possible heart attacks who have been rushed to the emergency room," said Dr. Dexter W. Shurney, corporate medical director for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

"Shoveling snow has been compared to a maximum treadmill workout. People who don't exercise regularly, especially those who are overweight or have a history of heart trouble should check with their doctors before they dig in. Even people in good physical shape can benefit from common sense precautions."

**Snow shoveling tips:**

- Warm up with some stretching exercises inside. Start slowly.
- Pace yourself. Shovel no more than five loads a minute; don't shovel for more than 15 minutes without taking a break. Pause to stretch every five minutes by standing up straight.
- Drink during breaks to avoid dehydration. Breathing cold dry air robs moisture from your body with every breath.
- Tackle heavy, deep snow in two stages. Skim off the top first.
- Never throw over your

shoulder. Twisting can strain the back. Face the snow being shoveled, keep your back straight and knees bent and throw in front of you.

- Dress warmly in layers with a hat. Cover your neck.
- Take smaller scoops of snow, keeping them light and small.
- Don't work up a sweat. Bodies lose heat faster in damp clothes, which makes you more prone to injury. Take a break if you're beginning to sweat.

- Don't smoke or eat a heavy meal before shoveling. It's harder on the heart.

- Don't hold your breath; this makes your heart rate and blood pressure rise.

- Don't feel the job has to get done in one session. Get up earlier if you must shovel before leaving for work so you are not rushed.

Others at high risk for heart attacks from snow shoveling include smokers, individuals with high cholesterol, high blood pressure or diabetes.

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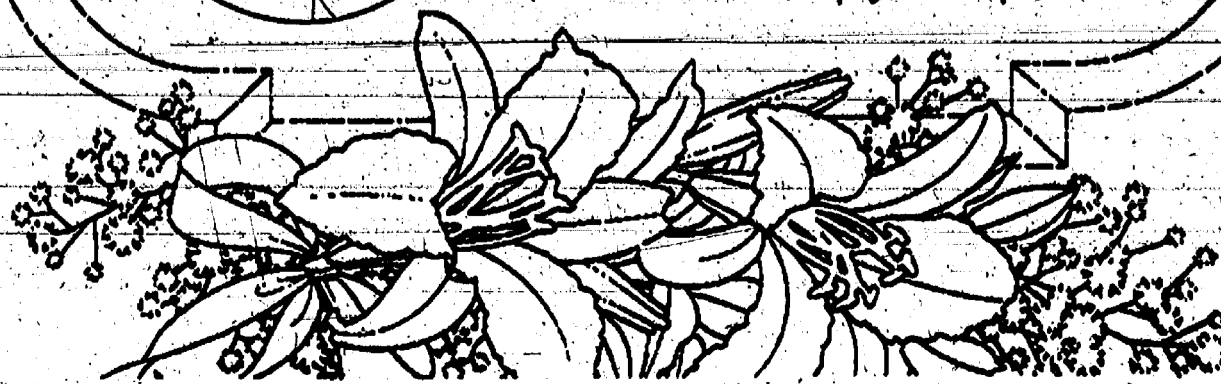
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# Road commission offers tips for winter maintenance

With the growing amount of traffic on county roads, winter maintenance has become an increasingly complex challenge in Washtenaw County.

The Washtenaw County Road Commission is responsible for winter maintenance on 1,599 miles of road as well as 306 miles of state trunkline. During a typical year the road commission respond to winter maintenance on approximately 50 occasions using between 20,000-25,000 tons of salt and 8,000-10,000 tons of sand.

The commission has budgeted \$14 million for winter maintenance this year, while the Michigan Department of Transportation has budgeted \$400,000 for winter maintenance on state trunklines in Washtenaw County.

The road commission has established five priorities of roads, ranging from freeways and state trunklines to county gravel roads and performs winter maintenance in accordance with these priorities.

## Area man ends basic training

Marine Pvt. Joshua J. Zissler, son of Paul A. Zissler of Dexter, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Zissler and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Zissler spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training. He is a 1998 graduate of Dexter High School.

46 salt routes, which typically take a driver two hours to complete. Once state trunklines and county hard surfaced roads have been cleared, crews will then proceed into subdivisions and gravel roads.

The road commission has 48 salt trucks and six graders for use on winter maintenance. A four-person crew works seven nights a week from 8 p.m. until 4:30 a.m. to monitor and respond to ice and snow conditions on state trunklines.

In order to help the Road Commission perform its winter maintenance most efficiently, the following tips are provided:

Keep your distance from snow plows. The commission recommends you keep approximately six car lengths from a snow plow. The snow plow will be dispensing sand or salt which can damage automobile paint. While engaged in winter maintenance, the road commission is not responsible for chipped paint or windows, and motorists are encouraged to contact their insurance agent if they have any questions regarding glass replacement or paint chip coverage.

Snow plows also need room to maneuver at intersections

and freeway ramps and motorists are encouraged to provide adequate clear space.

Don't plow snow onto the roadway. Pushing snow onto county roads or shoulders may be a hazard to other motorists. Anyone plowing snow into the public right-of-way may be prosecuted.

Strengthen Mailboxes. If a mailbox is struck by a snow plow, the mailbox will be replaced by the road commission. However, if the mailbox is damaged because it is struck by thrown snow or ice, the road commission does not assume any responsibility. Consequently, homeowners are urged to replace any deteriorating posts and mailboxes.

Remove obstacles along the roadway. Homeowners should not place any sprinklers, landscaping, railroad ties, etc. in the road right-of-way. If such is damaged by the road commission during normal winter maintenance activities, the commission does not assume any responsibility for replacement. Also, the property owner may be responsible for any damage caused to road commission vehicles that strike such obstacles.

Place trash containers off the roadway. Garbage cans, bags or other containers should

not be placed on the roadway or shoulders in the area that is normally plowed. Snow plow drivers can't always see or avoid trash containers, especially if covered by snow.

Expect a row of snow across driveways. Drivers cannot lift or turn their blades when passing driveways or private road entrances, and the plowing will leave snow across such access points. Owners of homes on cul-de-sacs should also be aware that they may receive a relatively larger windrow across their driveway because of the road configuration.

The road commission does not receive continuous updates of the status of individual roads and motorists are urged to listen to travel information provided by local radio stations and television networks. It is impossible to provide specific information when an individual road may be plowed.

If you have any questions about winter maintenance practices, please contact the road commission at 761-1500.



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## Bell Ringer

Dennis Linder of Dexter manned eight locations throughout the holiday season as a bell ringer for the Salvation Army. He is pictured outside Busch's Valu Land while Kathy Cecil of Dexter makes a donation.

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Waldorf Education... A Question of Balance





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### Champion Twirler

Nathan Magyar, a third-grader at Bates Elementary School, captured the state twirling title for boys and first place in Basic Twirling during the National Baton Twirling Association competition held last month in Milan. Magyar also took first place in Basic Beginner Twirl, second place in Strut and third place in Novice Twirl at a competition in November at Saline High School. Magyar is sponsored by Twirling Unlimited and is a member of a twirling group at Gymstreet USA. He is coached by Susan Usher.

### Dexter girl in honors band

One Dexter High School student has been selected to perform with the Southeastern Michigan Honors Band on its European tour this summer.

Jennifer Fritzer, clarinet player, auditioned for the ensemble and was selected from students throughout the area.

The 15-day tour is more than an opportunity to display musical talents, it is a cultural exchange as well.

Band members will visit the cultural centers of Europe. Visits and concerts will include London, England; Brussels, Belgium; Bonn, Konigs-winter, Koblenz and Eisenach, Germany; Prague, the Czech Republic; Vienna, Austria and Budapest, Hungary.

The 45-member ensemble will begin rehearsals in Feb-

ruary and will continue throughout the year under the direction of William W. Gourley, director of bands at Chelsea High School. Gourley has conducted honors groups throughout the state and presented clinics throughout the country and Canada.

The once-a-month rehearsals will continue through June 19 with a farewell concert at Chelsea High School Sunday, June 20. The band will tour June 22 through July 5.

The Southeastern Michigan Honors Band's previous European tours have included performances in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, France and Holland. The ensemble has performed for enthusiastic audiences and has been well received.

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1. "Snow" — white, long hair, 2 years, neutered male, used to kids and other animals, vaccinated, very friendly and affectionate.

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9. "Annabella" — spayed female, under 1 year, multi-

color, buff and gray, very friendly, vaccinated.

10. "Dixie" and "Stella" — sisters, 6 months, very sweet, spayed, vaccinated, 1 tabby and white; 1 diluted torty.

11. "Tessa" — under 1 year, dark brown tabby, spayed female, vaccinated.

12. "Murphy" — orange tabby, 2 years, vaccinated, neutered male.

13. "Hal" and "Lindy" — together only, vaccinated, 1 brown tabby; 1 gray tabby, neutered, very friendly.

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15. "Jewels" — torty, long hair, spayed female, declawed, vaccinated, adult home only.

16. "Silk" — torty, spayed female, declawed, vaccinated, short hair, shy, low stress home without other pets or small kids.

17. "Amber" — beautiful calico, very sweet, 2 years, vaccinated, needs daily medi-

cation, spayed.

18. KITTEN — 4 months, long hair, white and black spotted, male, vaccinated.

19. "Patches" — spayed female, calico, vaccinated, quiet, 1 year.

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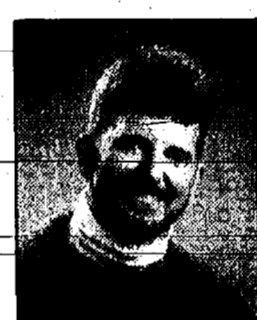
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# POLICE BLOTTER

## Chelsea Village

**Suspicious Incident**  
A Chelsea woman found a lawn mower in front of her house in the 200 block of Lincoln at 7:15 p.m. Dec. 30. Police removed the mower from her lawn.

A display case was tipped over at Speedway, 930 S. Main St., at 12:01 a.m. Dec. 30. Police were unable to determine if high winds had blown it over, or if a person knocked it over.

**Health and Safety**  
A Chelsea woman called police at 8:30 a.m. Jan. 1 to report that her children were with their father and his wife. The father was supposed to pick up his children from a previous marriage at their grandmother's house, but he didn't arrive. She was worried her children were missing. Police informed her that no crime had been committed, so they could not do anything for her. Police did contact the father, and found the children were fine.

**Assistance to Other Agencies**  
A firefighter requested police respond to an audible smoke alarm at 8:30 a.m. Jan. 1 in the 200 block of W. Middle Street. Police arrived and

found the front door open and reset the alarm.

**Larceny**  
A 14-year-old Chelsea boy reported that his mountain bike had been stolen. He said he had left the bike Dec. 18 at Beach Middle School and returned Dec. 24 to find it missing.

A 43-year-old Chelsea woman told police that an 18-year-old Chelsea man had driven off without paying for \$8.41 in gas Dec. 10 at Perky Pantry, 501 S. Main St. The man and his girlfriend came back to the store Dec. 14 and said they would pay for the bill, but didn't show up until Dec. 28 with the money.

**Dexter Village**  
**Fraud**  
A 31-year-old Dexter man told police that his wife had been contacted at their home in the 3600 block of Broad Street by a lumber company on Dec. 22 about an outstanding debt of \$476. The man said the lumber company told him the debt was in the name of his construction business, and a partner in the business had charged the money on an account. The man went to the lumber company and found

that a man had signed up falsely as his partner. The man told police that the false partner was someone he had worked with on another job, but he was not in business with the man.

**Suspicious Incident**  
A 44-year-old Dexter woman told police that she found a bottle of an antidepressant drug on her kitchen counter on Dec. 24 in the 7600 block of Hudson Court. The woman said her son had told her it was her daughter's. The daughter, 12, denied having taken the pills. Police interviewed a 14-year-old Dexter boy, who said he was the daughter's boyfriend. He said the pills were his, but he had not given them to her. He said she took them.

**Domestic Assault**  
A 24-year-old Dexter woman told police that she was lying on her bed at 7:50 a.m. Jan. 1 when a 27-year-old man entered the apartment. She awoke to find him standing above her with a baseball bat in his hands. The two had

lived together as foster children, so they considered each other brother and sister. She tried to fight him off, but was struck several times with the bat before police arrived. The man refused to talk to police.

**Warrant Arrest**  
Police responded to the 2200 block of Melbourne Street near Baker Road at 8:50 a.m. Jan. 1. There they found Krystin Carol Taft, 24, of Dexter who had a warrant for impaired driving. She was arrested.

**Dexter Township**  
**Larceny**  
Compact discs, cash, sunglasses and stereo equipment were stolen from a pickup truck in the 14000 block of North Territorial Road between 6 p.m. Dec. 5 and 8 a.m. Dec. 7. A 21-year-old Gregory man told police that the sliding rear window was smashed to gain entry for a total damage and loss of \$3,482.66.

Various building tools were found missing from a construction trailer Dec. 28 on Reilly

Drive near North Territorial Road. A 27-year-old Dexter Township man told police that someone had cut the lock off the trailer and stole saws, staple guns, nail guns and generators, among others. The stolen items are valued at \$10,000.

**Attempted Property Damage**  
A 45-year-old Dexter Township woman told police that

someone had thrown eggs and toilet paper at her house in the 13200 block of Noah Court Dec. 11, 18 and 19. She saw two people run away on the last attempt, but could not identify them. Her daughter told her of a boy who had said he was going to vandalize people's houses. Police contacted the

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## Oh, My Aching Neck!

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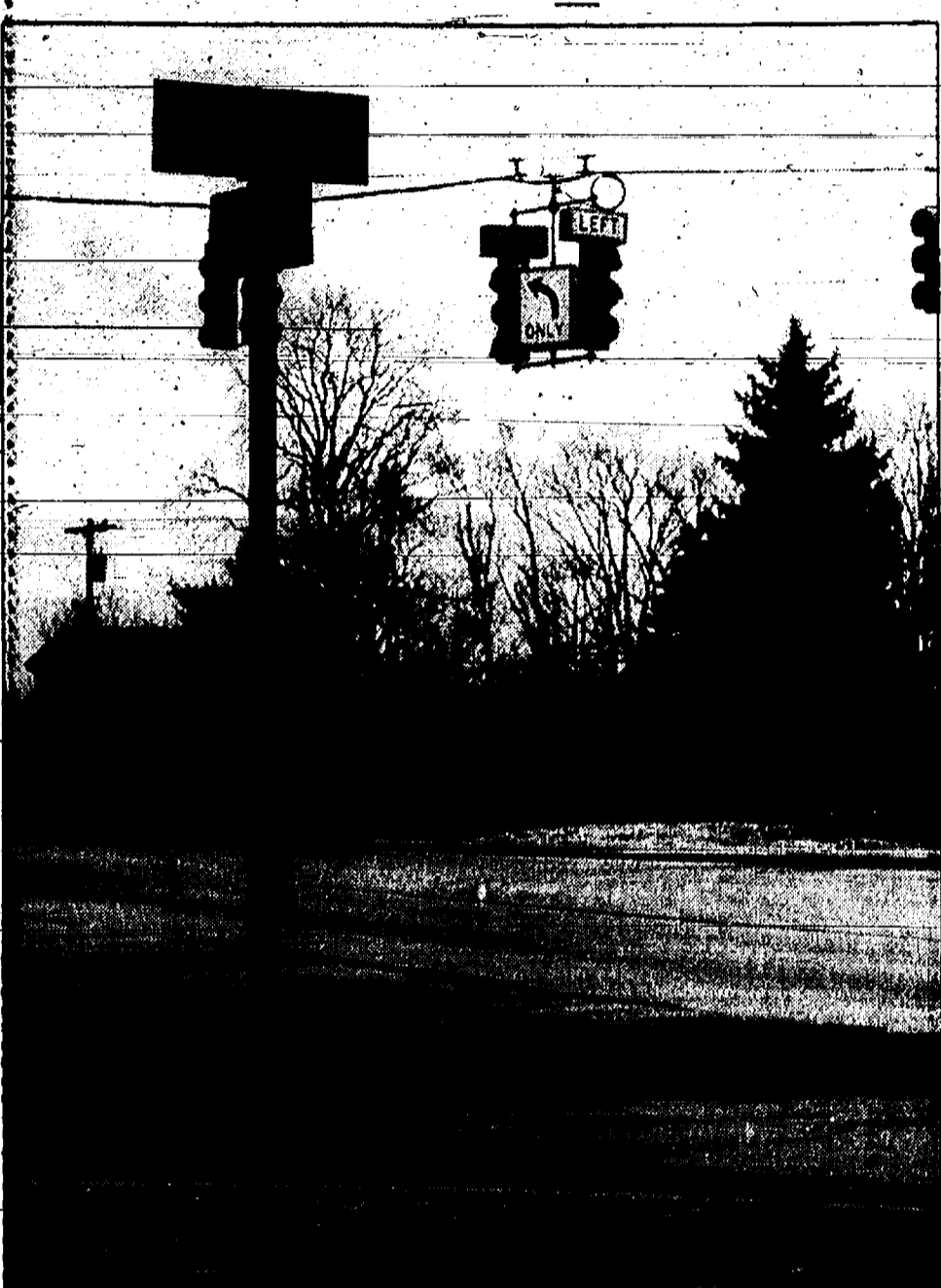
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## Vegetable gardens subject of next Evening Club meeting

The new Chelsea Evening Primrose Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St.

Kathy Kersten will present a program on "Vegetable Gardening — A French Potager" (picking garden).

All interested in learning and sharing more about gardening are welcome. For more information, call Mary Pulick, Federated Garden Clubs District IIA director, at 665-4703.



## New Signal

Washtenaw County Road Commission recently finished putting in a new signal at the corner of Old US-12 and Freer Road. The project had been in the works for several months as crews widened both roads through the intersection.

## Local woman named vice president of economic development association

Chelsea resident Susan Lackey, president of the Washtenaw Development Council, has been elected vice president of the Michigan Economic Developers Association (MEDA) Board of Directors for 1999.

MEDA is the professional organization for the Michigan economic development community. With over 360 members, MEDA has been in place for 35 years.

Lackey has been a member since 1982. In 1998, she was asked to fill an unexpired term on the board of directors, and ran for her first full term earlier this year. In addition to her service on the board, she has taught in the Existing Business portion of the organization's Practitioners Training course for three years.

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# POLICE

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boy's mother, who said he was not in town that night, but he had done it in the past. She said she would keep him from doing it again.

## Violation of Conditional Bond

A 40-year-old Dexter Township man told police that his wife, 35, was at home in the 9000 block of Daisy Lane at 7:08 p.m. Dec. 23. She was intoxicated, and had a conditional bond that said she was not to be drinking. Police responded and had her take a breath test, which revealed she had been drinking. She resisted arrest, and had to be carried to the patrol car and into the jail.

## Lyndon Township

**Larceny**  
A 40-year-old Lyndon Township man told police that his mailbox was stolen between 3 p.m. Dec. 8 and 8 a.m. Dec. 19 from his home in the 8500 block of Roe Road. The mailbox is worth \$20.

## Warrant Arrest

John Michael Bolte, 20, of Jackson was arrested at 4:23 a.m. Jan. 1 on Waterloo Road near M-52. He was wanted on a bench warrant for violation of probation and another bench warrant for failure to appear on a drunken driving charge. Both were out of Le-one Township.

## Webster Township

### Drunken Driving

Police responded to an auto accident at 8:32 p.m. Dec. 19 on Huron River Drive and Mast Road. Officers spoke with one of the drivers, a 46-year-old Adrian man, who smelled of intoxicants. The man tried to leave the scene then grabbed police when they attempted to stop him. The man's passenger, a 34-year-old Adrian woman, said the two had been drinking. The man was tested for alcohol and had a blood-alcohol level higher than the legal limit for driving.

### Sylvan Township

**Arson of Motor Vehicle**  
A truck was found on fire at 5:44 a.m. Nov. 21 on Bush Road near Pierce Road. A 37-year-old Dearborn Heights man told police that the truck had been stolen from a lot in the 11700 block of Dexter-Chelsea Road. The truck was owned by R.L. Coolsaet Construction of Taylor. Total value of the truck is \$15,000.

### Scio Township

**Domestic Assault**  
A 33-year-old Scio Township woman told police that she was in the kitchen of a home Dec. 25 when her sister, a 34-year-old Dexter woman, entered the room. The sister told the woman that she was playing too rough with her nephew and hit her. The sister said the woman hit her first. The woman's husband, a 28-year-old Scio Township man, entered the room and broke

up the fight. The sister then told police that she was pushed around by the husband.

### Stolen Vehicle

A 45-year-old Adrian man told police that a 38-year-old Ann Arbor woman came to Rumpy Chevrolet, 3515 Jackson Road, to test drive a car at 12:30 a.m. Dec. 19. The woman said she wanted to get the car checked over by her mechanic, but she failed to return the vehicle that day. The woman told police that she drove the car to Kalamazoo to get it checked over by her brother, then drove it back and parked it on the street with the keys locked in the car.

Police reviewed security camera tapes and found no one had returned the car. Police later found the vehicle about one mile from the woman's home. Police also discovered the woman's address was false. They contacted the woman, who told them that she had no intention of purchasing the van, but she needed to pick up her son in Kalamazoo.

### Breaking and Entering

A thief stole \$600 in cash from Contractors Rental, 4477 Jackson Road, at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 29. A 49-year-old Scio Township woman told police that money was hidden in the office. A window was broken to gain entry.

### Confiscated Property

Police confiscated for safe-keeping a compound bow and arrows, a dagger, and six guns, including an assault rifle, a hand gun and shotguns and rifles, at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 17 in Scio Farms Estates, 6855 Jackson Road. The owner, a 37-year-old Scio Township man, had a personal protection order against him placed by a 37-year-old Scio Township woman. Police will keep the weapons until the order is lifted.

### Medical Assist

Police responded to Scio Farms Estates, 6855 Jackson Road, at 4:15 p.m. Dec. 5 on a family disturbance complaint. A 39-year-old Scio Township woman was found outside her home in her vehicle. The woman had a strong smell of alcohol. She said her husband, 43, had told her that her brother had died. The officer knew of her brother, who had been arrested and taken to jail a few days earlier. A neighbor, a 32-year-old Scio Township woman, said she had called police because the husband told her the woman was out of control. The officer called the jail, and they told the woman her brother was alive. The woman then said her husband was giving her mind-altering drugs in her drinks. Her husband said she just had been drinking. The police confirmed her alcohol level was above the legal limit for driving, and the officer took her to the hospital.

### Larceny

A 51-year-old Canton woman told police that several items were stolen out of her vehicle while it was parked at Gallup Park between 5:15 p.m. and 6:40 p.m. Dec. 29. She said she went for a walk and when she returned the items were missing. Stolen were jewelry, a cellular phone, a purse containing cash and credit cards, and a suitcase containing clothing.

### Warrant Arrest

David Alan Schiller, 31, of Pinckney was arrested at 4 p.m. Jan. 3 after he was stopped for speeding on Zeeb Road near Miller Road. He was wanted on a warrant out of Clinton County. The man was released on a \$500 bond, which was the amount the man had with him.

(Compiled by Staff Writer Eric Bowen based on reports filed with Chelsea Police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department)



## Rifleman

Dexter resident Pvt. Richard K. Miller completed 13 weeks of U.S. Marine Corps Recruit training in Parris Island, S.C. Miller received an "expert rifleman" medal for mastering a M-16A2 firearm. Miller was also one of 22 recruits in the camp to receive a swimming qualification. Miller spent Thanksgiving leave with his family and friends before leaving for more training at Camp LeGuine, N.C., where he will undergo 48 days of infantry training.

## Local man graduates from Bradley mechanic course

Army Pvt. Matthew R. Kingsley has graduated from the Bradley fighting vehicle system mechanic course at Fort Knox, Ky.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Drunk driver nearly killed family

This letter is specifically directed to the drunk driver who very nearly wiped out half of my family on the evening of Dec. 19 and generally to anyone who drinks alcohol and chooses to drive.

As my husband and 15-year-old son were traveling south on Baker Road, a white Chevrolet van crossed the center line and was headed directly toward them. It was only my husband's quick, last-second reaction by grabbing the steering wheel that prevented a head-on crash. They were driving about 55 mph., and he estimates the other driver was going about 65 mph.

At those speeds in a head-on crash, it is doubtful that any of them would have survived. As it was, she side-swiped our vehicle, causing them to go out of control. This could have also made the accident worse by causing them to go into a ditch, hit a tree, etc. She then kept on driving.

Even as inexperienced as my son is and this being his first accident, he was able to bring the vehicle under control.

We later learned that a woman called in to report that she thought she hit something while driving on Baker Road but didn't know what. She was very obviously drunk and tested way beyond the legal limit. She said she had been at a nearby club that we know serves alcohol.

I would like her to know that the "something" she hit was my family. I am beyond angry at her irresponsibility. Either she was too drunk to know to stop, or left the scene anyway because she was scared. In either case she had

no regard for others. They could have been seriously hurt and she didn't care enough to find out.

Because she left the scene, her alcohol content was not tested until later when the police responded to her call. The police have little doubt that she was involved. But they have told us that because she was not tested at the scene, she may not be punished for driving drunk.

It is outrageous that she may get away with almost devastating our family and will be free to possibly do it again. If she is not punished, it will be because of a technicality in the law. Should we allow this? Or should we wait until more people are killed before we get tougher on drunk drivers?

The facts should speak for themselves and she should be punished before she does this again. It could also save her life. I have not forgotten that she could have died also. As furious as I am at her, I do not wish her harm.

My daughters and I, and our extended family, are so thankful that this accident was not as bad as it could have been. We believe that God and His angels were with them. However, I still start to cry when I think that we may have lost them. I am so thankful that we continued with our Christmas plans instead of planning their funerals.

Even as I call it an accident, I don't believe it was. An irresponsible, selfish person who chose to drive after she had been drinking caused this. How many times, especially around the holidays, do we hear the message "don't drink and drive." Do you listen to this message? Do you pay attention when you hear the

news about a death caused by drinking and driving? Have you heard the commercials made by the families of someone who has been killed by a drunk driver?

I don't want to be one of those people who make commercials because they have lost a family member. I have been scared into action. I hope by writing this letter that my anger will prevent someone from driving drunk before they kill someone.

There are also others who are responsible here. What about where she was drinking? Did no one see how drunk she was? Did no one think they should stop her? We as a society have a responsibility to look out for each other.

Please, I beg you, if you drink, don't drive. If you see someone who is drunk, don't let him or her drive. If you stop them, you may save someone's life. And remember, the stranger who doesn't let a drunk drive may be the one who saves someone you love.

My husband is my best friend and is wonderful to me and he is a great father and grandfather. Our son is the baby of our family, our only child left at home and our only son. Words cannot express how precious he is to us. Take a moment and think about how precious your husbands, wives and children are to you.

My guys were on their way to the mall to Christmas shop for me when the accident occurred. Do you think I care about Christmas presents? When they walked through the door alive and unhurt, I already had the only present that really matters.

Karen S. LaMirand  
Pinckney

## Street Talk

By Amanda Tarantowski

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Vern Campbell

## Poor weather forces side trip to Saginaw

Amid all the horror stories surrounding the recent snowstorm, my own travel travails may seem a little tame, but the experience certainly was a bit of a nightmare to me.

It started the afternoon of Dec. 28, just a few days after the Christmas holiday, when I headed out to catch a shuttle bus to the Denver International Airport. The van was packed; in fact, my bag hardly fit inside. The driver mumbled something about a family with 13 suitcases and stuck my huge duffel bag up front on the passenger seat.

I took my place in the back of the van next to what appeared to be a happy family of four, but turned out to be Mr. and Ms. Diabolical and their progeny. A few minutes into the ride, the younger of the two kids began to wail. I felt sorry for the child and his parents until his mother tried to comfort the boy by resting his head on her shoulder, which just happened to be six inches from my ear.

Despite the child's discomfort, I survived the ride with most of my hearing intact and boarded the plane with little difficulty. As we flew toward Detroit, I dined in fine style on the so-called "chicken fajita sandwich," and settle in for the descent into the Motor City.

As the plane began to land at the airport, I could feel it slow down to alight on the ground. About 400 feet from the runway the plane shot back into the air. I could feel it accelerate, the G forces pressing me back into the chair and the plane tilted at a 45 degree angle.

A short while later, the co-pilot announced to us that because of foggy conditions in Detroit, we had to abort the landing. He said an emergency signal had lit as the pilots prepared to hit the runway. He then apologized for not telling us of the emergency sooner, saying that he was a little busy.

We were re-routed to Saginaw, where about seven other planes were stuck in the same situation we were. The tiny airport had so little plane equipment that no one could get off the plane. The mechanics even had a tough time finding the plane's gas tank.

Then came the shocker: crews had forgotten to drain the restrooms in Denver, so some of the lavatories worked. Imagine 140 people trying to cross their legs in airline seats. The problem was rectified about half an hour later — Saginaw apparently knew how



ERIC BOWEN

### A CLOSER LOOK

to empty toilets — and the line to use the restroom stretched the length of the airplane.

The working restrooms didn't satisfy some people. About two hours into our three-hour layover the head flight attendant came on the intercom and told the passengers that anyone who hassled him or the other staff would be hauled off the plane by the police. He railed against people for questioning the captain's decision to abort the landing, saying he had been in one accident and didn't want to be in another. Just what we needed, a flight attendant with post-traumatic stress.

The airline finally came through with three buses to drive us to Metro Airport. We were told we could exit the plane, but only two at a time because the stairs for the plane could handle only 500 pounds.

While we were waiting for the crews to transfer our baggage to the bus, the driver informed us the trip to Metro would be two hours and fifteen minutes, perhaps longer in the bad weather.

To pass the time, I struck up a conversation with the man sitting next to me. He told me he was heading to Florida to get back to his job creating lavish parties for movie stars and other celebrities with themes such as the pirate's adventure. He only worked for six months of the year, though, spending the remainder surfing. I told him I was staying in Michigan and looking forward to a good 15-inch snowfall.

We finally made it to the airport and after collecting my bag, I made my way to the shuttle to the parking lot. I was informed that our buses were among 25 that had arrived in the space of the last few minutes, so the vans were swamped. One stroke of luck, I was the first to be dropped off at my car.

When I arrived home, my watch read 3 a.m., far past my bedtime, and I was exhausted for days after. Coming home seven hours late wasn't too much fun, but I suppose it's better than perishing in a plane crash.

## Going back in time to year 2000

Well, it's happened. As predicted last week, we started 1999 and we're already moving backward in time. We started toward the ice age this weekend. After the snow builds up far enough, the glaciers will start moving in and we'll have to all buy kerosene heaters to stay warm.

Actually, after the snow gets deep enough it'll be much easier to get around. We can build a tunnel system and have this little enclosed system, which will actually help with Chelsea's small town atmosphere. Right now, we're sharing the atmosphere with the rest of the world. But if we get buried under all this snow and dig tunnels, then we're gonna have to start sharing a pretty limited amount of air.

Think about it. The air I breathe today will be at your place in a week or so. If we run our gasoline-powered snow blowers we'll have to choke on fumes for a long time to come. Of course, if we're living in these snow tunnels, there wouldn't be anyplace to throw the snow anyway. But it would contribute to our togetherness.

I mean, part of why we have



UNCLE APOLLO

lost our small-town atmosphere is that there are all these people who might live here or sleep here, but spend most of their time everywhere else. And then there's all these people who don't actually have anything to do with Chelsea. They live up on the lakes or out in the country and work in Ann Arbor or Detroit or someplace else and they just drive through our little town to get to here from there.

Of course, they tear up our roads and clog the place up at rush hour, but that's about it.

With the glacial tunnel system, all that would be gone. I'll tell you, my arms got tired this weekend just shoveling out my driveway three times. There's no way I'm gonna tunnel through 15 miles of snow

just so some out-of-towner can get to their job in Grass Lake.

There might be some problems, though. For instance, with everything white and all, it would be hard to see the Jiffy Towers. I mean, they have always been a landmark around here, and with the glaciers and all, they'd just look like another humongous pile of snow. That's why I think it's time for them to revert to that purple color they used to be.

And white sales. Nobody would show up at them any more. People would probably get pretty sick of white by the time it was all over with. It's probably a good thing they started making sheets and pillow cases all of these designer colors, because it would be hard to sleep wrapped up in white sheets in a white tunnel, if you see what I mean.

Probably the biggest problem would be the Village Parents. I'm pretty sure it's against village ordinance to make tunnels on a main thoroughfare. It would be even more dangerous than hanging wooden animals above the sidewalk. Of course, they probably wouldn't get around to enforcing it until the next ice age, anyway.

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By Eric Bowen  
Staff Writer

Electa Wagner was an avid supporter of education. She was an early member of the PTO, a champion for school events and brought up a daughter who became a teacher.

So when Wagner died in May it was fitting that her wish was to give back to the schools of Chelsea. She bequeathed \$500,000 to Chelsea Education Foundation, an organization she helped build.

"I was not prepared for the magnitude of the

gift," says Mary Lou Severin, president of the education foundation. "This is just an incredible gift to have this amount of scholarship money available."

Wagner gave the money to remember her husband, Robert, founder of Chelsea Products and creator of the Power Take-off, a device that is essential for powering winches on the back of trucks, says attorney David McLaughlin, a longtime friend of the family who handled Wagner's estate. She wanted to do something that fit her husband's love for engineering and to match the interests of their

daughter, Judy, who until her death worked as a school teacher.

Severin says the donation has been set up as a long-term fund, allowing the foundation to use only the interest from the money. She says the proceeds from investment will pay for two scholarships, named the Robert W. Wagner Engineering Scholarship and the Judith Lynn Wagner Owens Teachers Scholarship.

Wagner's gift gave the education foundation a lot of leeway in deciding how the money will be spent, Severin says. The scholarship money can be given in a lump sum or broken up to

give out more than one scholarship per year. Also, 20 percent of the interest can be used to fund the foundation's operations, grants and other scholarships.

The foundation currently funds six annual scholarships, including the Joe Plasecki Memorial Scholarship and a scholarship for a student at Washtenaw Community College. Severin says the scholarships are available to all residents of Chelsea, whether they recently graduated or are going back to school.

The foundation also funds grant requests

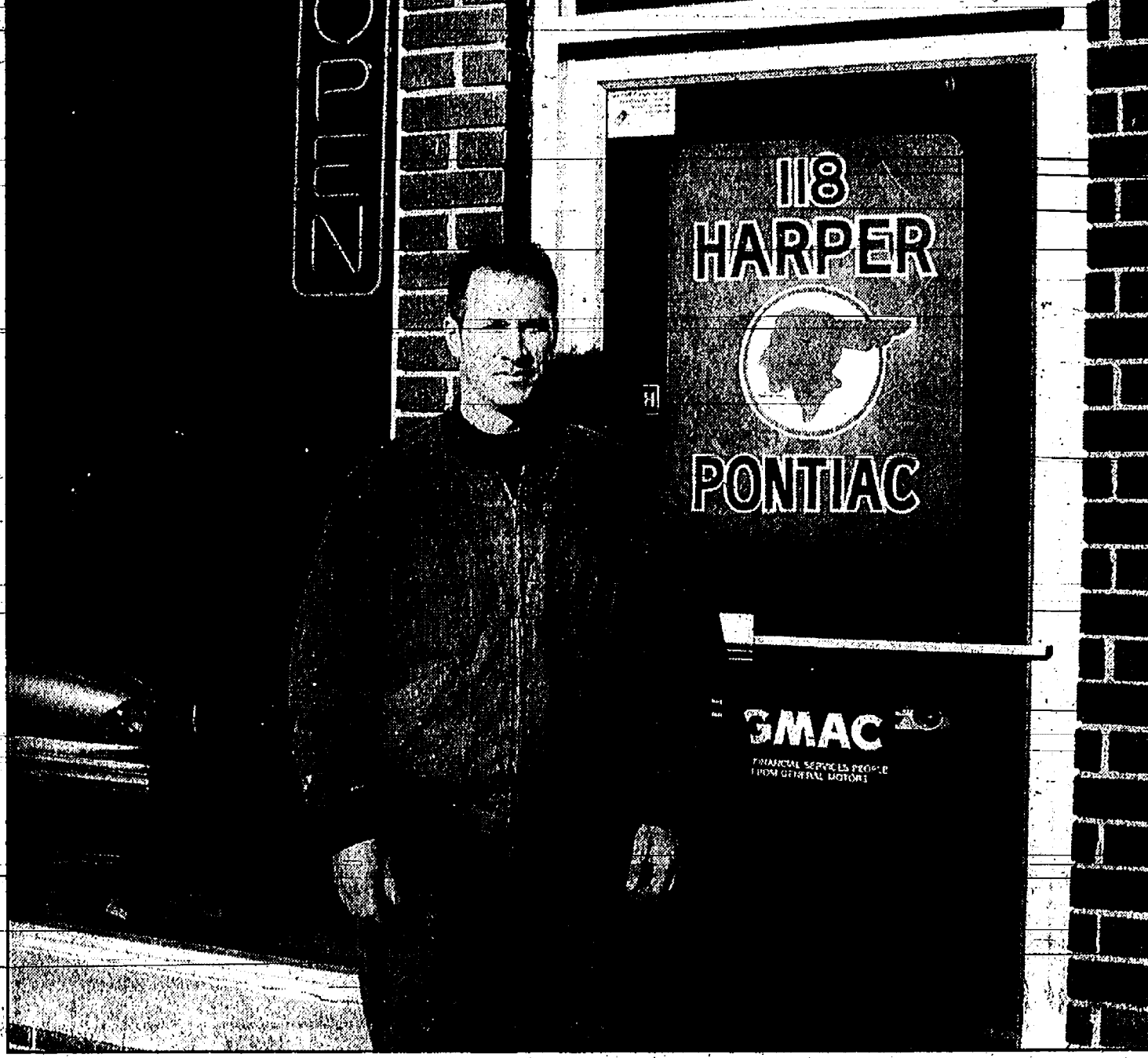
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Chelsea native Jeff Powell has taken his expertise to Harper Pontiac. He has worked in the automotive trade for 17 years.

## Changing lanes Chelsea native Jeff Powell switches to Harper Pontiac

By Michael Rybka  
Staff Writer

Chelsea native and resident Jeffrey Powell has been given free rein as service manager at Harper Pontiac.

Powell was brought in by owner Joanne Oesterle the first week of November to help fill a void created after the death of her husband, Sumner.

Sumner died Jan. 22, 1996, the same day Powell celebrated a birthday.

Along with Joanne, Powell will work in tangent with her children Donald, Jon, Susan, Lynne and David.

Powell has already made some major changes. The auto parts inventory is being greatly expanded to minimize ad hoc ordering. Additional hoists will be added to the existing two to maximize output. To staff the bays, two more mechanics will be employed.

As evidence of his autonomy, Powell has made some changes that Joanne did not want to do.

Reams of yellowing journals, personalized by Sumner's long-hand, were discarded. This brought tears to Joanne's eyes. The showroom now displays one of the latest models of Pontiacs instead of being a showcase for one of Jon's vintage restorations.

"Sumner was truly an enigma," Powell said. "He had an individual way of running a business that maybe wasn't the most practical but evoked extreme loyalty from his clientele. I'm sure some can't walk into the place now because of the emotional attachment they had for him. I hope they discover that I have a lot to offer in my own way."

Powell has worked locally in the automotive trade for 17 years. During those years he quadrupled his customer base.

Restlessness for a new challenge was one reason that prompted Powell to join Harper Pontiac.

"I found myself doing what

I've always told myself and others not to do — working only to collect a paycheck. At least I left while I was still a top performer."

Powell turned down some lucrative offers at larger operations to set up shop at Harper. The site he chose for his career move surprised many from his peer group. To Powell, it was a natural choice.

"I literally grew up with the Oesterle family," Powell said. "This is the dealership my parents patronized. Sumner was my mentor. The family's reputation in business is second to none."

The move also gives Powell the opportunity to branch out. Having worked on more cars first-hand than he'd care to count, Powell said that being a mechanic is no longer as enjoyable to him as it was once. Powell said the increasingly complicated nature of repairs has made this attitude

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## Media specialist found future career at school library

By Michelle Rogers  
Associate Editor

It's only fitting that media specialist Barb Locks would stumble upon her future career while looking up the word "libraries" in a World Book Encyclopedia at her school library.

More than two decades later, Locks is sharing her love for books and information with students at South Meadows Elementary School, not far from where she discovered her career while a child growing up in Dexter.

Although she discovered what she wanted to do for a living in Dexter as a seventh-grader, Locks' passion for books was evident at an early age. While living in Indonesia for a short time, books became Locks' best friend. There was no TV or telephone. All Locks had was her favorite collection of story books.

While spending the next two years there, Locks also became appreciative of libraries, because there were none in the city where she lived. When the family settled in Dexter, Locks found herself spending many hours in the Dexter library, also regularly visiting the Ann Arbor Public Library, devouring several books a week.

Her voracious appetite for reading, mixed with her natural tendency to compete academically with her twin sister, pushed Locks to excel in school.

It was 1969 when Locks graduated from Dexter High School and went on to college. She earned a bachelor's degree in library science with a minor in English language and literature from Eastern Michigan University in 1973. Seven years later she added a master's degree in language arts with classes in library science.

Locks landed her first job in Marshall, where she supervised four elementary school libraries, serving 1,000 students.

Nowadays, she says, "It's nice to only have one staff, one building and you're here all the time."

Locks came to Chelsea schools in 1977, spending the past two decades at North Creek Elementary School. Last fall, she came to South, where she was able to re-organize the newly remodeled library.

It's a spacious place with mobiles hanging from the ceiling, books neatly stacked on shelves, computers to access information on CD-ROM and tables and chairs for children to sit down and do research. A small corner is dedicated for Locks' famous story-telling sessions.

Besides a new look, the library is now automated. Students can check whether a particular book is in from a computer in their classroom. This is only one change among many Locks has seen during her lengthy career.

"Before you had to fix film strip projectors and now we have computer, software and net-

work issues," she says.

Gone are the days of keeping the card catalog straight. Now her duties are more technology-related, with a lot of trouble-shooting.

"But the entire library isn't totally electronic. Locks insists on having traditional chapter books and encyclopedias around in addition to information on CD-ROM.

"I believe kids need a print copy of many resources," she says.

Besides, she adds, computers only can be used one at a time. An entire class can check out a set of encyclopedias to do research and technology can never replace a good book in hand. The South school library has 8,641 books lining its shelves.

### TEACHER FEATURE

Locks' old-fashioned storytelling is another component that hasn't changed. This aspect of her job is what brings her the most pleasure. She says the stories she tells have to touch her heart, and it's her job to bring them to life.

"I tell the story to myself many times, practicing it in my head on the way to and from work, then telling it many times until it's my own," she says.

But beyond the thrill she gets from telling stories, Locks gets even more excited when she hears a child repeat the story to someone else.

"Stories are meant to be shared," she says. "It's a living art, and telling stories keeps them alive."

Locks credits local parents for making her job easier. Parents regularly volunteer to help out in the library. She also recognizes the staff as "positive, hard-working, energetic and eager to learn."

"I would not trade any of them," she says. The only hard rule in the library, which also functions as Locks' classroom, is respect. She expects students to respect each other and property.

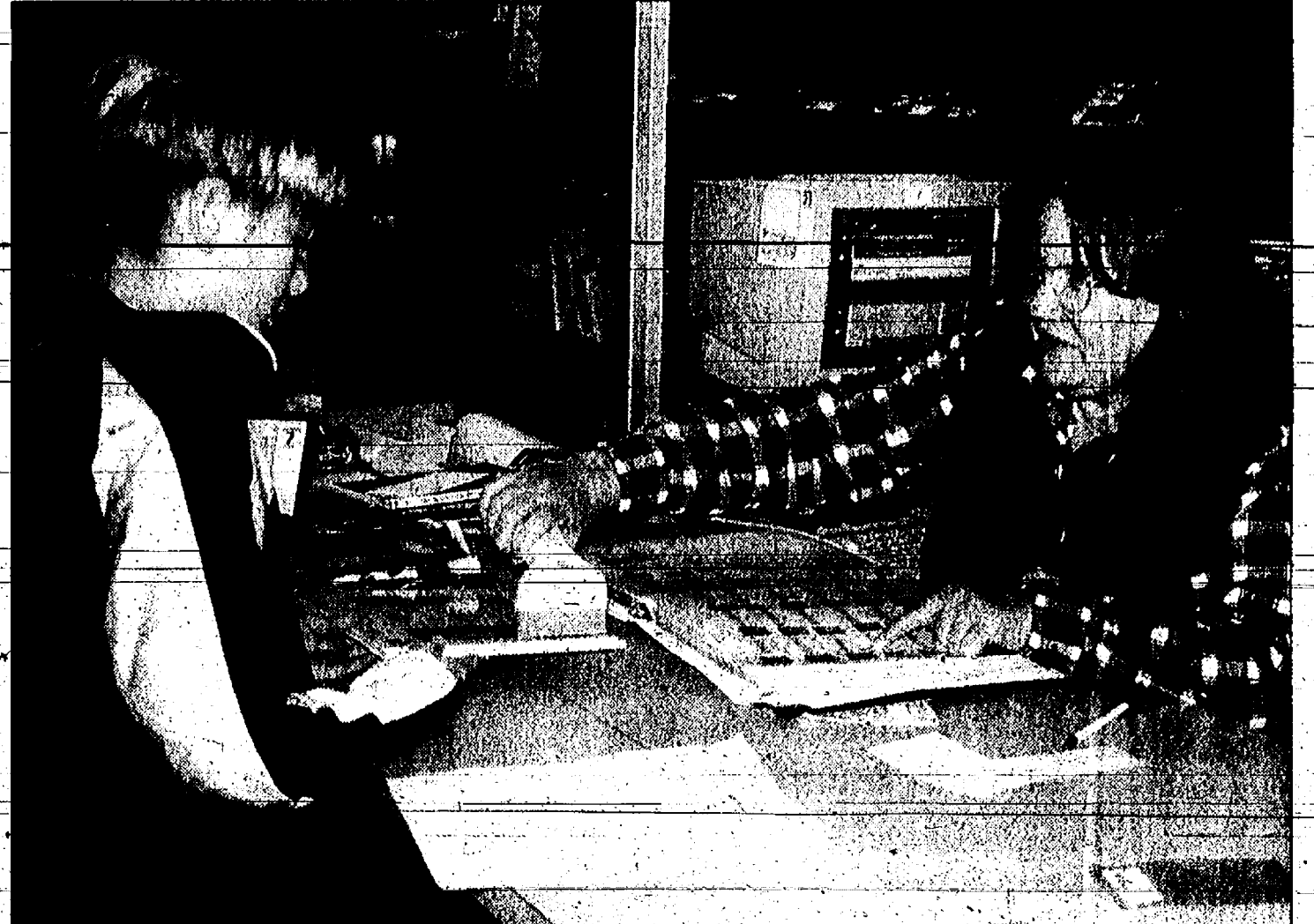
But she also understands accidents sometimes happen.

"If they have a book damaged, they think I am going to kill them, but I won't," she says. It's at the elementary school level where Locks has found her niche.

"It's the best job in the world," she says. "You get to be with kids all day, tell them stories, guide their reading and learning experiences, and help them."

"I love it when the light goes on when they're learning something," she says. "I like their big eyes, like when you tell a story and they look at you all wide-eyed."

Locks also enjoys helping teachers find all the materials they need for special units, such



Barb Locks, a media specialist at South Elementary School, discovered her calling as a middle school student in Dexter while looking up the word "libraries" in a World Book Encyclopedia. For the past two decades, Locks has shared her love of books with Chelsea students. She is pictured with Myles Borders.

as on Native Americans and dinosaurs. After 20 years, she has become somewhat of an expert in each area.

Locks offers her own special units, as well. Every January, students celebrate Oriental New Year. Locks reads special books, such as "Tikki-Tikki Tembo," and has the older students research the Orient. A party is held, where students are able to sample Oriental food, Jasmine tea and Haw Flakes candy.

Locks says she makes it a point to share cultural diversity with students because Chelsea is not an ethnically diverse community.

This Oriental New Year idea and others are shared by Locks in a packet called "Have fun in the Media Center? You bet!" that she has distributed to colleagues at conferences.

Locks concedes she has a children's book somewhere inside of her, too.

"But I don't have an incident that says 'tell me.' I think if I sat down, it would come," she says. "But I haven't pushed myself to do that yet."

Nonetheless, Locks enjoys local celebrity status already as the school librarian.

"I get lots of hugs wherever I go," she says,

whether it's in the hallway at South school or while shopping downtown.

At 47, Locks sees herself continuing her career at least another 10 to 15 years.

"I want to teach until I am old but not too old," she says.

Both her parents, Ethel and Harold Samuelson, are retired Dexter school teachers. On holiday breaks from Chelsea schools, Locks used to enjoy sharing stories in her mother's classroom.

Nowadays, she continues the tradition at special events, such as the Pioneer Craft Fair in Dexter and Webster Fall Festival.

Locks, her husband, Steve, and three children live on 55 acres surrounded by woodland and wetlands in Hamburg Township, north of Dexter.

In her spare time, Locks enjoys reading, of course, cross stitch, fishing and traveling. She has been to Sweden twice to visit family.

Locks is active in Dexter United Methodist Church and is an assistant Girl Scout leader. She was also active in Cub Scouts, serving as den leader, when her sons, Darin and Dennis, were younger. Both are now in high school. Her daughter, Danielle, is in fifth grade.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## CHELSEA

**Thursday, Jan. 7**

**American Legion Post No. 31** general meeting at the Cavanaugh Lake Legion Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Chelsea Chamber of Commerce** Ambassadors meet on the first Thursday of each month. Info., Bill Stewart (734) 475-1515, or Marcia Kipfmiller, (734) 475-6368.

**Monday, Jan. 11**

**Chelsea Area Garden Club** meets at the First United Methodist Church, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Info., 475-1240 or 475-2424.

**Chelsea Kiwanis Club** meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 p.m.

**Chelsea School Board** meets in the board room, 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 12**

**Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors** meeting in the Chelsea Village Council chambers. The public is welcome to attend, 8 a.m.

**Rotary Club** meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.

**Lyndon Township Board** meets at the township hall, 7 p.m.

**Chelsea Village Council** meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Chelsea Rod and Gun Club** meets at the clubhouse on Lincane Road, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Jan. 13**

**VFW Post 4078 and VFW Ladies Auxiliary** meet at the VFW Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Fraternal Order of Eagles, Ladies Auxiliary No. 2154** meet at 7530 Jackson Road, 7:30 p.m.

**Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group** meets the second Wednesday of each month, at 7 p.m., in the Chelsea Retirement Community's Dancy House, 805 W Middle Street. Info., (734) 741-8200, or 800-337-3827.

**The Scio Township Board** meets at the Scio Township Hall, 8 p.m.

**Thursday, Jan. 14**

**Lyndon Township Planning Commission** meets at the township hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Alzheimer's Assoc. Family Caregiver Support Group** meets in the Crippen building at Chelsea Retirement Community, 7-8:30 p.m. Info. (734) 741-8200.

**Saturday, Jan. 16**

**The Waterloo Natural History Association**, 17030 Bush Road, presents "World of Bats," featuring bats from all over the world, including some live specimens, at 2 p.m. Advance reservations required. Info., (734) 475-3170.

**Breathers Club** will meet at the Chelsea Community Hospital Dining Room, 11 a.m.

**Monday, Jan. 18**

**Chelsea Kiwanis Club** meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 p.m.

**Waterloo Area Historical Society Board of Directors** meets at the Waterloo Farm Museum, 7 p.m. Info., (734) 498-3395 evenings.

**Chelsea Area Players Board**

meeting at KeyBank, 7:30 p.m. Info., (734) 475-2629.

**Chelsea Recreation Council** meets at the Village of Chelsea offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

**Chelsea Village Planning Commission** meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Eating Disorders Support Group** for family and friends of teens and young adults with anorexia and bulimia meeting at the Chelsea First United Methodist Church, 7:30-9 p.m. Info., 475-0558.

**Tuesday, Jan. 19**

**The Lima Township Planning Commission** will hold a Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m. in the Lima Township Hall.

**Rotary Club** meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.

**Lions Club** meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:45 p.m.

**Chelsea District Library Board** meeting at Faith in Action, 7:30 p.m.

**Chelsea Village Planning Commission** meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**The Scio Township Board** meets at the Scio Township Hall, 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, Jan. 20**

**Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals** meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 5 p.m.

**Chelsea Athletic Boosters** membership meeting at Chelsea High School media center, 7:30 p.m.

**New Beginnings**, a grief support group for people experiencing the loss of a loved one. Offered as a community service by the Chelsea Retirement Community, meetings are in the Crippen building, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Info., Kearney Kirkby, (734) 475-2868.

**DEXTER**

**Thursday, Jan. 7**

**Dexter Rotary Club** meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m. Tom Blackwell will present "Elephants Don't Bite".

**Dexter American Legion** meets at the Dexter Legion Hall, 8 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 9**

**Hudson Mills Metropark** announces three programs to be held at the Activity Center: "January Bird Walk" at 8 a.m.; "Nature Stories For Kids" at 10 a.m.; "Colors in Winter" at 8 a.m. Pre-registration is required for these programs. Info., (734) 426-8211.

**Monday, Jan. 11**

**Reproductive Health Advisory Committee** for Dexter schools meets at Wylie Middle School media room, 7 p.m.

**Harmony Rebekah Lodge** 460 meets at the Masonic Temple, 7:30 p.m.

**Webster Township Historical Society** meeting, 7:30 p.m. Info. 426-2473.

**Dexter Village Council** meets at First of America Bank, 8 p.m.

**A Dexter Community Meeting**, open to all Dexter Community Schools employees and community members will be held at 7 p.m., in the Dexter High School Media Center to discuss SEC expansion for the year 2000-2001.

**Tuesday, Jan. 12**

**Sons of the American Legion** meet at the Dexter Legion Home, 8 p.m.

**New Beginnings**, a support group dealing with death and divorce, meets Tuesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, at 5:30 p.m. Call Faye Wisely, (734) 426-8931 or the church, (734) 426-8247 for information.

**Wednesday, Jan. 13**

**Dexter Jaycees** are looking for young adults ages 21-39 to join their club. Meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at First of America Bank, Dexter. For more info., (734) 426-1080.

**Thursday, Jan. 14**

**Dexter Rotary Club** meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m.

**Village of Dexter Downtown Development Authority** meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 16**

**Hudson Mills Metropark** presents "End of A Winter Day Hike" in the Activity Center at 5 p.m. Pre-registration is required for this program. Info., (734) 426-8211.

**Monday, Jan. 18**

**Dexter Community Schools Board of Education** meets at the Copeland building, 8 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 19**

**Kiwanis Club of Dexter** meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 6:30 p.m.

**Dexter Garden Club** meets at Dexter Historical Area Museum, 7:30 p.m. Info. Lori Armour, 426-2372.

**Dexter Township Board** meets at Dexter Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Lima Township Planning Commission** meeting at Lima Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Webster Township Board** meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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**Wednesday, Jan. 20**

**Dexter Heritage Guild** meets at the Dexter Museum, 1 p.m. Public is welcome.

**American Legion Auxillary Unit No. 557** meets at the American Legion Home, 8 p.m.

**Webster Township Planning Commission** meeting at Webster Township Hall, 8 p.m.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Dexter, Tuesdays at 8 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

**Alzheimer's Assoc. Family Caregiver Support Group** meets in the Crippen building at Chelsea Retirement Community, 7-8:30 p.m. Info. (734) 741-8200.

**Alzheimer's Association** has many support and group meetings each month for family members of Alzheimer's patients. For more info., call the South Central Michigan Chapter at (734) 741-8200.

or 800-337-3827.

**Arbor Hospice** offers various programs for dealing with terminally ill family members, as well as coping with death. Groups meet at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2368 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor. For more info. on specific groups and meeting dates and times, call Debbie Skotak or Pat Bauer, (734) 662-5999.

**Chelsea Senior Nutrition Program** at the Senior Center. To reserve a lunch, call Arlene Larson a day ahead at (734) 475-0160.

**Chelsea Together**. For more info., call week days (734) 475-4030, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., or (734) 475-5935, 5 p.m.-9 p.m.

**Dexter-Chelsea Right To Life** meets at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 3450 Dover Street, Dexter, Thursday, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m. in the

church basement. Info., Anne Young, (734) 426-5010.

**Dexter Family Service**, contact Pat Burnett, (734) 449-2149, Marlan Burgett, (734) 426-2196, Shawn Detting, (734) 426-4343 or Judy Wheeler, (734) 426-2160.

**Dexter Senior Nutrition Program** delivers meals M-F to elderly homebound. Serves lunch M-F at Dexter Senior Center, Copeland building. To reserve a lunch, call 24 hrs. ahead, Cindy White, (734) 426-5397.

**Domestic Violence Project Safe House Support Group** meets every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, Behavioral Health Services' building, 6:30-8 p.m. Info., (734) 426-0369.

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# WEDDINGS



## Noll, Breeman exchange vows

Natalie Laura Noll and Daniel Breeman were married Aug. 22 at Fountain Street Church in Grand Rapids. The Rev. B. Boyd presided. The bride is the daughter of William and Nancy Noll of Plano, Tex. and the granddaughter of Minnie Dermody of Dexter. The groom is the son of John and Marilyn Gorman of Saginaw and Peter and Diane Breeman of Grand Rapids. Nichole Binaco of Grand Rapids served as maid of honor, and David Breeman of Grand Rapids, brother of the groom, served as best man. Bridesmaids were Denise Beiermeister and Melissa Campione of Grand Rapids, Heather Taylor of Atlanta and Cori Morais of Clarkston. Ushers were Patrick Purcell and David Ryan of Saginaw, Ryan Noll of Columbus, Ohio, brother of the bride, and Jeremy Yoba of Denver. The couple spent their honeymoon in Jamaica. They reside in Grand Rapids.

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**Domestic Violence Project Safe House** presents a monthly brown bag seminar series. Meeting will take place at 4100 Clark Road, Ann Arbor, 12-2 p.m. Info., (734) 973-0242, ext. 296.

**Faith in Action House Community Center**, open daily. Provides various free services to those in need. Services include food, clothing, financial help, advocacy and many other forms of assistance. Need friendly help? Call from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., (734) 475-3305.

**FEMALE**, a non-profit support and advocacy group for women who have interrupted their full-time careers to care for their children at home, meets the first and third Thursday of each month at St. Clare's Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard Road, Ann Arbor, 7 p.m. The Jan. 7 meeting will be on pampering yourself. Info., Lisa, (734) 763-8714.

**HIV/AIDS Resource Center** offering free testing services in Lenawee, Livingston, Jackson and Washtenaw counties. For location and times call (734) 572-9355.

**Home Meal Service, Chelsea.** Meals-served daily to elderly or disabled. Cost per meal, \$3.25 with milk, \$3 without milk, for those

able to pay. Interested parties call Mary at (734) 475-9494 or Faith in Action at (734) 475-3305.

**Huron-Clinton Metroparks** has free presentations available to group interests. "Great Adventures", a 20 minute video, illustrates the facilities and programs of the 13 Huron-Clinton Metroparks located in southeast Michigan. Other presentations are available on request. Info., 800-477-3191.

**Huron Valley Mothers of Multiples** meets the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Info., Susan Allen, (734) 971-3599.

**Immunizations** through Washtenaw County Public Health, the Multi-Service Center in Ann Arbor. Info., (734) 484-7219.

**Overeaters Anonymous** meets Mondays at First United Methodist Church, Chelsea, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Info., (734) 475-4264.

**Parent-to-Parent Program** - in-home, friendly, visiting support system for families with children. Call (734) 475-3305.

**Parents Without Partners**, support group for single parents. Youth activities, social events, discussion groups. For membership, call recording at (734) 973-1933.

**The Parkinson Education and Support Group** of Washtenaw County meets at the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Building 5305, the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. A wide

variety of other related support programs is also available. Info., (734) 741-9209.

**Play-N-Chat**, a home-based group for moms and their children under five years old; meets Wednesdays and Fridays. For place and times call Jackie Esch, (734) 426-5437.

**Saline Area Historical Society** presents its 12th Annual Antique Show at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds in Saline on Friday, Jan. 15, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on Saturday Jan. 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info., (734) 429-3164 or (734) 944-0713.

**Senior Exercise Class** - Come join us in this fun, go-you-own-pace, well rounded workout. Our next session runs from Jan. 12 to Mar. 30, every Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., at the

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# The Chelsea Standard

# SPORTS

Thursday, January 7, 1999

## Bulldogs hospitable hosts for holiday tourney

By Jon Royce  
Special Writer

Chelsea varsity basketball team took a vacation from good basketball in the first half of their game against Milford in the first Chelsea Holiday Tournament Dec. 29 and couldn't get back in time to rectify their mistakes, losing 55-45.

The Bulldogs played like marionettes with their strings cut, lifeless. They went through the motions, managing to score just 14 points in the entire first half. Chelsea went into the locker room down by 13, 27-14.

Guard Aaron Ruhlrig said

after the game, "We have no excuses for playing like we did. We only had one day off. The other teams had to deal with the same things we did. We played all right, though, in the second half."

After half time, Chelsea came out and had their best quarter of the game. The Bulldogs picked up the intensity and fought back to get within eight by the end of the third quarter.

Guard Sean Davis, playing with a badly sprained ankle, hit a three-pointer, then Ruhlrig passed to Tony Scheffler off an in-bounds play for two more. Guard Rourke Skel-

ton scored on a drive and center Alan Bairley added two more from inside the paint.

The momentum seemed to swing Chelsea's way as Ruhlrig stole the ball and passed to Vince Scheffler, who scored on the break. Skelton got hit hard in the back as he streaked to the basket off another steal. He got his revenge, sinking both free throws.

By the end of the quarter, Chelsea trailed 38-30.

The team could not maintain the intensity it displayed in the third quarter and sputtered in the final eight minutes of the game.

When asked why his team was so flat, coach Robin Raymond practically repeated what Ruhlrig said.

"The routine changed but so did the other teams," Raymond said.

"Also, Bairley got into foul trouble and when he's out of the game the complexion of the team changes," Raymond finished philosophically. "This is a non SEC game we'll learn from it."

Chelsea lost again, 79-69, to a taller, more athletic Willow run team in the loser's bracket of the tournament on Wednesday, Dec. 30. It didn't help that two starters were unable to play. Both Davis and Ruhlrig were out. Davis with an ankle sprain and Ruhlrig with the flu. Skelton was forced to play almost the entire game as he shouldered the ball-handling responsibilities against a full-court press.

Willow Run went up early in the game but the Bulldogs played with more consistent intensity than they had the night before and managed to keep the game close, despite Willow Run's 6-foot-8, 6-foot-7, and 6-foot-6 front line playing volleyball off the offensive glass.

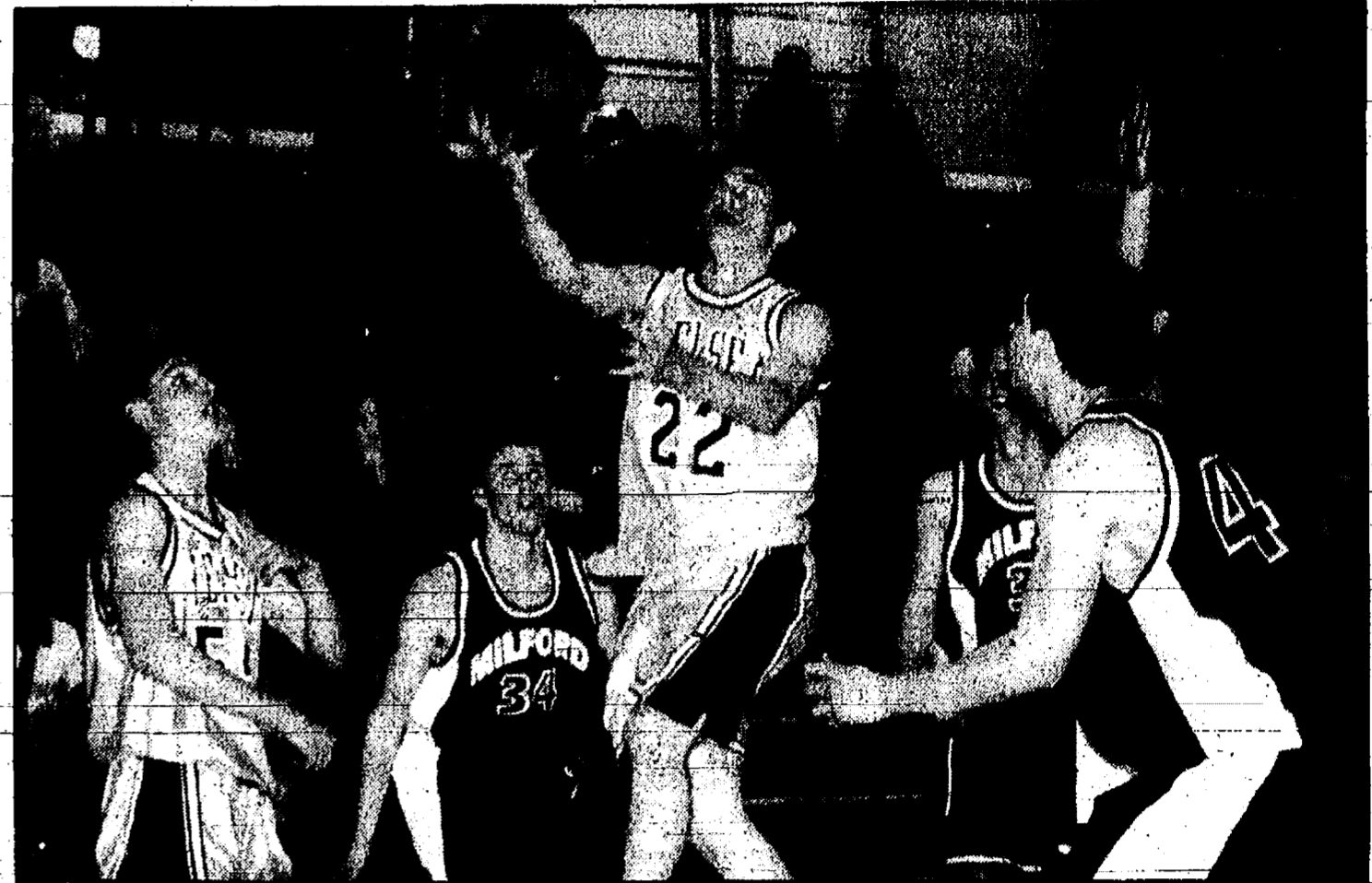
Chelsea trailed at the end of the half 37-30.

Unfortunately Willow Run's press and height advantage knocked Chelsea out of the game in the second half. The Flyers forced 22 turnovers and had 20 offensive rebounds. Those statistics create the potential for a lot of points and the Bulldogs were unable to match up.

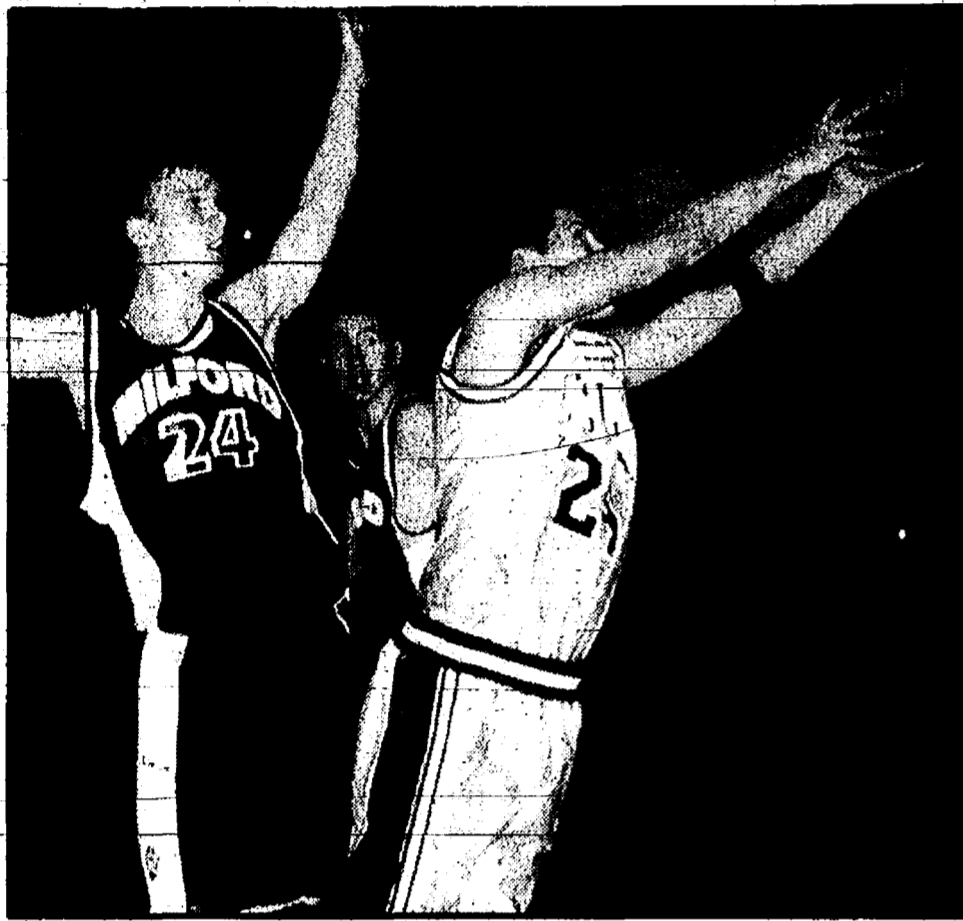
Raymond, while not pleased with losses, took them with a grain of salt.

"The games were both non-league games. We've had two good practices, we should be all right heading back into the regular season."

Scorers for Chelsea included Skelton with 13, Bairley 11, Tony Scheffler eight, D. Price five, Vince Scheffler four and Mike Holloway four.



Aaron Ruhlrig goes for a layup against Milford last week.



Rourke Skelton drives for Chelsea against Milford during the holiday tournament last week.

## JV cagers can't win in tournament

Chelsea junior varsity basketball team lost both games in the Bulldogs' first holiday tournament Dec. 29-30.

Milford edged Chelsea in the opener on Tuesday, 39-38. The game was close throughout.

The Bulldogs took the early lead, 15-13 after the first quarter but fell behind at halftime 22-19.

Chelsea had a chance to win the game with the final shot but it came up short.

Ben Myers had 17 points, Joel Grimm 14, Rob Hohnke four and Brian Sayers three.

The Bulldogs had the lead in the DeWitt game, taking a 20-9 lead after the first quarter. However, DeWitt outscored Chelsea over the next two quarters, 33-15, to take the eventual victory 51-43.

"We haven't put together four quarters of basketball yet," said Chelsea coach Mark Scheese.

Myers paced the Bulldogs with 18 points, Sayers scored 10, Hohnke and Joel Grimm had four points each, Randy

Peace had three, and Mike Radka and Chris Brigham had two points each. Chelsea is 3-3 overall and 3-2-1 in the Southeastern Conference.

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<b>Thursday, Jan. 7</b>	Varsity JV Wrestling vs. Milan, 6:30 p.m. H	Boys Swimming vs. Saline, 6:30 p.m. H	9th Grade Volleyball in Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational, 8:30 a.m. A
<b>Friday, Jan. 8</b>	Chelsea Hockey Club vs. Lincoln, 10 p.m., at the AA Ice Cube, A		Varsity Wrestling in Jackson County Western Invitational, TBA A
<b>Saturday, Jan. 9</b>	Varsity Volleyball in Chelsea Invitational, 8 a.m. H	9th Grade Volleyball in Brighton Invitational, TBA A OR.	Boys Swimming in W Bloomfield Invitational, TBA A
			<b>Monday, Jan. 11</b>
			7th & 8th Grade Swimming vs. Tecumseh, 4:30 p.m. H
			Varsity JV/9th Volleyball vs. Tecumseh, 6 p.m. H

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### A Happy 87th

Irene Proctor of Chelsea turned 87 Dec. 8 and she marked the occasion with a party at the Chelsea Rod & Gun Club on Dec. 27. Attending the party, arranged by her grandson, Dale Robbins of Chelsea, were many of her 34 great-grandchildren. Relatives from as far away as Tennessee attended the event. The guest of honor sang "Happy Birthday, Jesus" as part of the occasion.

## Heart disease progressive, influenced by age, lifestyle

To stave off heart disease, one should understand how the heart changes as it ages, because heart disease doesn't occur suddenly. It's a progression that occurs over time and is influenced by gradual changes that weaken the heart.

These changes begin early in life with arterial stiffening in the teen years. By age 20, your maximum heart rate begins to slow by one beat a year and by age 30, you begin to produce less of a protein that regulates how long each beat lasts, which means your heart must work harder on each beat to keep up its normal output.

"Aging itself is not a disease and it is not unhealthy to age, but it does place some limitations on the heart. Those limitations cannot be reversed, but they can be attenuated. You can't make an old heart look like a young heart, but you can make an old heart look younger," said Marvin O. Boluyt, assistant research scientist with the University of Michigan Division of Kinesiology. Boluyt is co-author of "Cardiovascular Aging in Health," a chapter in the newly published book "Advances in Biology," edited by E. Edward Bittar.

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Stamford, Conn., "Advances in Organ Biology" is a collection of chapters by scientists specializing in heart failure. The book focuses on new advances that have been made in defining one aspect of heart disease: the changing metabolism.

Boluyt and co-author Dr. Edward G. Lakatta, chief of the Laboratory of Cardiovascular Science at the Gerontology Research Center in Baltimore, examine the normal changes the heart goes through in the aging process. The changes — such as reduced protein levels that slow the heartbeat — aren't threatening by themselves. However, coupled with a history of illness and a sedentary lifestyle, these changes in the heart could throw a healthy, but stressed, heart into turmoil.

There are primarily two ways your heart changes with age: everyday wear and tear (such as by disease and hormonal changes), and changes that occur naturally (such as the change in protein that regulates the heart beat).

Lifestyle changes and medication are the most effective means in prevention of heart disease, while gene therapy is beginning to show promise for some types of heart disease, Boluyt said.

"Exercise and a healthy lifestyle don't prevent all of the age-related changes, but they do reverse or prevent some of the changes that occur, such as reversing the decrease of a key protein level (exercise can boost the levels of a key protein called SR calcium ATPase). That's been shown very clearly in studies done on rats," he said.

Increased levels of SR calcium ATPase can increase the reserve capacity of the heart, which decreases with age. The larger the reserve capacity of the heart, the better it is at dealing with a sudden insult. Thus, exercise not only reduces the chances of having a heart attack, it also can increase the chances of surviving a heart attack, Boluyt said.

"Regular exercise can delay or partially reverse some of these changes in the heart and improve the reserve capacity while reducing the risk of heart disease. Exercise can keep you and your heart younger. It won't ever be as young as it once was, but it'll keep you healthier," he said.

Heart disease is a mix of many diseases that take a toll on the heart as it ages, but especially after age 60 when the chances of developing heart disease and heart failure steadily rise. Even without a history of heart disease or high blood pressure, the chances of developing heart disease later in life increase with age.

"Even if you take away all of the diseases, the heart still changes with age. Those changes are not necessarily bad. Those changes by themselves would not impair the heart, but they reduce the reserve capacity of the heart so that it is less able to deal with a heart attack," Boluyt said.

### Farm fact

After eating the large Thanksgiving feast, many people quickly become very tired. The reason for this is because in order to digest the food, the stomach needs more blood for the stomach muscles to work, so the body sends the extra liquid to the stomach to speed things up. The additional blood needed for digestion gets shipped in from places like the fingertips, head and toes. When the blood gets transferred, heat is caused, making a person very warm and, as a result, very tired.

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### Aye Captain

Chelsea High School graduate Jim Maynard (right) recently received a captain's rank from American Airlines. Maynard graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1986, retiring as a commander in 1986. He was hired by American one year later and worked up the ranks from flight engineer to first officer and finally to captain in August. Maynard is based in Washington, D.C., and lives in Fairfax Station, Va., with his wife Margit, a special education teacher. He is pictured with Mark Hetterman, chief pilot for the Washington, D.C., area.

## Getting out of debt requires resolve, discipline, patience

If you're in debt, you're not alone. The average consumer carries more than \$5,000 in credit card debt these days, and 1.35 million Americans filed for bankruptcy last year, almost three times the number a decade ago.

The sad truth is that millions of Americans awoke on New Year's Day with two hangovers; one hangover from partying a bit too much and another hangover from spending a lot too much.

Many will not know the full extent of the damage until their Visa or Mastercard statement shows up in a few weeks. For many Americans, their holiday debt will be added to an already unmanageable pile of debt from earlier spending. What will the New Year hold for them?

I sincerely believe that it's one more chance to change their spending habits. There are encouraging signs that many Americans are starting to realize the urgent need to start saving for tomorrow. People are beginning to realize that they can't keep spending more than they earn. But the key for today is to get out of debt.

**No. 1 — Understand that credit is not more money.** If your credit card has a \$5,000 limit, you don't have \$5,000. You only have the right to rent \$5,000 and you'll pay a very high price for that right.

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**No. 3 — Stop using credit.** People find it easier to spend when they pull that plastic out of their wallet but in the long run, it's cheaper to pay cash. If you can't control your credit card spending, cut your cards up and throw them away. If you crave the convenience try a debit card. It offers all the immediate access of a credit card along with immediate reduction of your checking account.

**No. 4 — Sit down and make a list of your debts.** Include how much you owe and what rate of interest you are being charged on each debt. Pay off the one with the most expensive interest rate first, not necessarily the largest amount owed. Update the list each month and total the amount owed to make sure that it is getting smaller each month.

**No. 5 — Establish a savings plan.** You should have both short-term and long-term savings goals. The short term is for things like insurance, auto repairs, holiday gifts and other regular, predictable costs. The long-term is for house down payments, kids' college and retirement. Keep the two funds separate and set a specific amount to go into each fund out of every pay-

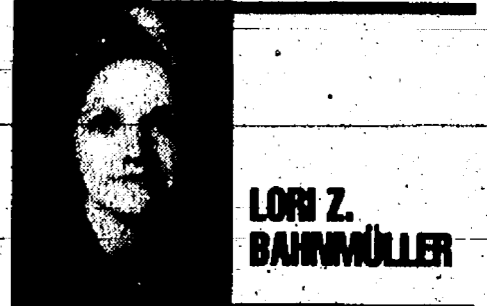
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**No. 6 — Save first.** Don't try to save out of whatever money is left over after other bills have been paid. There won't be any. You have probably already been living beyond your means — but credit has disguised it. Making your savings payments first forces you to see what you really have to live on.

**No. 7 — Carry a little notebook around with you for one month and write down everything you spend.** Everything from the home mortgage payment to a pack of gum. Small things can add up. Even a low-cost \$5 lunch each working day will cost \$1,250 over a year. You can't start trimming costs until you actually know what you're spending.

**No. 8 — Based on your savings goals and the spending patterns you've tracked, establish a spending plan.** Then follow it. The plan doesn't have to be brilliant, it just has to be followed. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to design a budget, you just need the will to follow it.

**No. 9 — Involve your family in your budget planning.** A successful budget isn't imposed from above, it emerges from consensus. If everyone in the family doesn't feel their interests have been considered, they won't be motivated to make the spending plan a success.

**No. 10 — Compare fees and services at various financial institutions.** For example, credit unions typically offer lower fees on everything from checking accounts to credit cards. Credit unions also generally offer higher interest



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D'Ann Gietzen's second graders at North Creek Elementary contributed to Toys for Tots and Teens in December. Children in the class include Adam Bauer, Kathryn Carroll, Michael Cooper, Hannah Crowder, Megan Dunn, Brittany Erskine, Brett Everding, Kelli Fountain, Ellie Howe, Todd Kruse, Alexandra Lebeau, Jakob Lotz, Carolyn Olsen, Andrew Pierson, James Prokos, Alyssa Rodgers, Zoe Rozsa, Michael Stratman, Zoe Suffety and Cooper Young.

Palmer Family Ford's annual Toys for Tots and Teens campaign in Chelsea again collected several pick-up truckloads of new toys and distributed them to area needy families through Faith in Action. Classrooms, businesses and other organizations, as well as many individuals, participated in the program.



Marsha Hansen's second graders at North Creek Elementary donated gifts to Palmer Family Ford's Toys for Tots and Teens program. Children in the class include Arielle Alexander, Holly Beaudette, Kyle Coburn, Jose Diaz III, Melissa Ederle, Derik Heumann, Henry Hubbard, Brianna Kalmbach, Trevor Kies, Timothy Koch, Myles Lange, Stacy Marks, Reid Mauti, Quinn McGuinness, Carly Meloche, Mary Ottoman, Sam Parkanky, Jeffery Picklesimer, Timothy Rosentreter and Robin Stockwell.



Alicia Rey's second graders at North Creek Elementary got into the holiday spirit last month and donated toys to Palmer Family Ford's Toys for Tots and Teens program. Children in the class include Joshua Bryant, Stephanie Case, Brooke Ehman, Kayleigh Fletcher, Michael Goedert, Nicholas Gordenier, Duncan Harris, Donald Harris III, Daniel Jackson, Taylor Lewis, Michelle Mallory, Sean McQuarrie, Katherine Ridley, Corey Robertson, Kyle Thiel, Chelsea Williams, Brannon Wolfe and John Zink.



Chelsea Pediatric Center staff contributed to the Toys for Tots and Teens program this holiday season. Staff members include Dr. Mary Westhoff, Dr. Brian Kennedy, Dr. Shelley Kim, Slobhan Gorman, Pat Hepburn, Cindy Strudgeon, Deanna Eggers, Deb Power, Shannon Coppennoll, Rebeca Denike, Dena Walker, Kimberly Carter, Katie Hogan, Diane Kuebler, Jodie Lefere, Jessica Roberts, Nancy Sell and Colleen Weddon.

Martha Piper's second graders at North Creek Elementary delivered gifts to the Toys for Tots and Teens program last month. Students in the class include Kristin Angelocci, George Clark, Stephanie Everard, Anissa Gregg, John Hillaker, Joseph Hume, Jesse Jaynes, Lauren Johnson, Brian Manitz, Christopher Mattison, Katherine McEachern, Amanda Patton, Scott Rhodes, Kevin Rosentreter, Ryan Smith, David Stratman, Olivia Stucki and Anthony Trupiano.



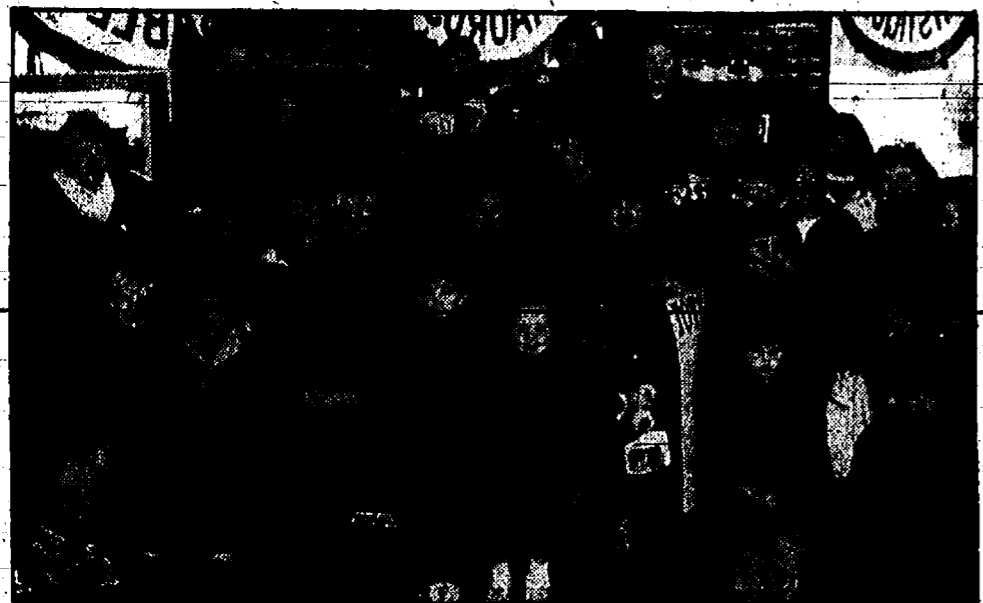
Sue Yager's second graders at Pierce Lake Elementary participated in the Toys for Tots and Teens program. Children in the class include Michael Baker, Alexandria Broekhuizen, James Coleman III, William Dark, Riley Feeney, Tyler Fischhaber, Nichole Hopp, Caitlin Jaynes, Jeffery Kuhl, Katherine Lindauer, Jacob Powell, Nicholas Raupp, Cayla Redmond, Nicole Reid, Cody Robbins, Chad Schiller, Krystin Schwarze, Mark Smith, Amy Stacy, Claire Stephens and Frederik Van Reesema.



Karen Henry's third graders at North Creek Elementary took gifts to Palmer Family Ford's Toys for Tots and Teens program last month. Children in the class include Steven Ackermann, Katie Allan, Willa Booth, Cassandra Coffman, Emma Cook, Alex Corser, Kiefer Forsch, Trevor Hughes, Megan Jerant, Anastasia Kanelopoul, Aurora Knopper, Rosa Lanconi, Kathleen Martin, Joseph Millen, Dominick, Bryan Mooney, Scott Naab, Dean Roberts, Devin Stelger, Eleanor Stewart, Laura Strader, Carly Szcondronski, Nathan Vleck and Danielle Williams.



Crystal Heydlauff's third graders at North Creek Elementary School donated toys to the Toys for Tots and Teens program last month. Students in the class include Jordan Callow, Evan Carpenter, David Case, Leah Cooperrider, Kara Cremer, Pamela Douglas, Haley Eisenhardt, Michael Ellenwood, Anna Foley, Jenelle Franklin, Brittany Harmon, Emily Harris, Matthew Johnson, Kahlil Kastella, Lindsey Keyes, Michael Kundak-Cowall, Blake Lambdin, Anna Megdell, Alyssa Miller, Samantha Minzey, Nicole Oberholzer, Lindsay Proskle, Joseph Scott and Jesse Smith.



Gena Klink's second graders at South Meadows Elementary donated gifts to the Toys for Tots and Teens program at Palmer Family Ford. Children in the class include Heather Boyer, Katlin Cottrell, Curtis Hedges, Kelly Hutcheon, Travis Johnson, Heather McClung, Zachary Munce, Kevin O'Neil, Joshua Rudd, Sean Ruffin, Janis Ruiz-Hopkins, Nicole Saarinen, Jordan Shreves, Jessica Tchoryk, Jonathan Thompson, Samanta Wood, Nicholas Worthington and Colleen Zander.



Veronica O'Brien's third graders at North Creek Elementary were among the many classrooms to participate in the Toys for Tots and Teens program last month. The children include Andrew Althouse, Daniel Case, Ashley Clouse, Colleen Cottrell, Andria Fitch, Emily Harris, Ian Hughes, Ryan Lenehan, Ian MacLeod, Brooke MacMillan, Justin McGrath, Erik Mida, Samanta Oliver, Travis Parker, Emily Rabbitt, Joshua Riley, Christopher Schmelz, Kathryn Steen, Lawrence Taylor, Samantha Thompson, Frances Trupiano, Kelly Whitley, Caitlin Wolfe and Taryn Zyburt.



Mary Watson-Hill's fourth graders at North Creek Elementary School donated gifts to the Toys for Tots and Teens program. Children in the class include Blake Angelocci, Michael Bazydo, Martin Bragalone, Christina Burman, Christina Cooper, Elise Dunn, Jake Gregg, Elizabeth Gunden, Brian Houle, Kate Howlin, Christine Kelley, Richard Kinsey, Peter Lussier, Evan Mathis, Katherine McKay, Sean Murphy, Renee Powell, Daniel Rhodes, Katelyn Riecks, Kyle Sater, Shawn Scott, Casey Sullens, Christopher Tapping, Stephen Tapping, Lauren Verardi, Benjamin Wolpoff and Zoe Zuldveld.



Members of St. Mary Youth Group concentrated on toys for teens in the annual Toys for Tots and Teens program. The members include Lucas Olnyk, Alex and Matt Underwood, Joby Setta, Phil Fishburn, Sharon Price, John McCormick, Thomas Brennan, Joe Zynda, Jason Tirb, Jon Wagenschutz, Sarah Brennan, Keith Nadolny, Justin Nadolin, Alicia Seamon, Shawn Hayes, Bryan McPike, Theresa Hartley, Cat Balbak, Laura Turluck, Molly Martin, Laura Borden, Amy Sporer, Lara Gourlay, Robert Gluckstad, Mike Malley, Sharon Knieper, Erica Miller, Liz McKee, Lucy Andalofo, Samantha Loveland, Kelly Hoover, Natalya Apotalou, Ryan Malone, Jesse Sutton, Joe Rueter, Kourtney Barlow, Ryan Barwick, Samantha Barlow, Lisa Ballas, Sarah Martin, Mary Paul, Alison Paul, Joe Mahoney, Betty Wescott, Tamra Smith, Chloe Chamberlin, Liz Menge, Pat Franklin, Rachel Mead, Megan Morgan, Meagan Hollo, Ashley Cook, Molly Welton, Heather Bush, Megan Batzdorfer, Lisa Clement, Robert Wood, Greg Kennedy, Robert Dorer, Robert Gray, David Stieber, Aaron Turek, Lauren Turek, Brittney Williams, Meagan Konieczki, Brandon Butler, Heather Gray, Rob Hohnke, Sarah Gosling, Mary Gauthier, Josh Welshans and Eric Lixey.

## POWELL

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common in the trade. "It's hard to find a good mechanic. A career counselor who sees a kid working on his Mustang is not the one to be steered into the automotive field," Powell said. "Nowadays it involves electronics and math. You create a good mechanic."

One such person is Scott Cooper. Powell was familiar with Cooper's work and having him on staff was one of Powell's first priorities.

Powell hopes to groom Cooper to succeed him so he can take on more front-of-the-house responsibilities.

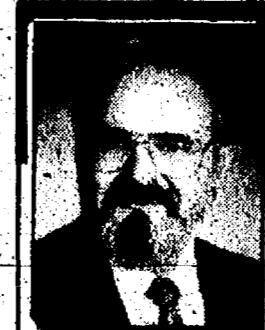
Powell describes that role as his forte. To him, it entails product knowledge, technical expertise, honest advice, fair pricing, consistent follow-through and even telephone etiquette.

Powell has already given some thought to Harper's long-term direction that he is hesitant to reveal. One reason is that he would first like to dis-

cuss his ideas with the Oesterlies. Another is that he doesn't want the competition tipped off.

However, Powell did not rule out the possibility of relocation as Powell soon saw the limitations of a downtown loca-

tion. "We can make do with the size of the facility," Powell said. "It's the parking that's the problem. On my second day here I worked on five cars. Four of them ended up with tickets."



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FILE NO. 98-4517

In the matter of LATOYA McGINNEY, a minor.

NOTICE: A hearing will be held on January 28, 1999 at 1:30 P.M. in the probate courtroom, Ann Arbor, Michigan before Judge John N. Kirkendall, Cornelia Johnson, Petitioner 2865 International Drive, Apt. #1535C Ypsilanti, Michigan (734) 431-4321

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FILE NO. 98-113, 277-IE Estate of Charles E. Peters, deceased. Social Security No. 977-60-1187

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:**

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 3770 Ann Arbor Saline Rd., Ann Arbor, MI died November 29, 1998.

An instrument dated June 12, 1998, has been admitted as the will of the decedent.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, James Peters, 7707 Sereno St., Dexter, Michigan 48130, or to both the independent personal representative and the Washtenaw County Probate Court, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Ronald Sharp, Attorney P25477 8099 Main St. Dexter, MI 48130 (734) 426-0420

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11 Keel  
12 Noise  
14 Saul Bellow book  
15 Heavy overcoat  
16 " - was saying. "  
17 Prepares leftovers  
19 Irving or Grant  
20 Sitarist Shankar  
22 Chowderhead  
23 Hollywood  
24 Poilster's finding  
26 "Babes in Toyland" composer  
28 Eg. and Syr., once  
30 Bill  
31 Pennsylvania city  
35 Station  
39 Sheltered  
40 Dove's comment  
42 Erte's style  
43 "Poppycock!"  
44 Colorations  
46 Old Olds  
47 Ghost  
49 "Mame" composer  
51 Western

**DOWN**

1 "Veni, vidi, vici" man  
2 Get there  
3 Claiborne of fashion  
4 Recognize  
5 Long stories  
6 Elephant's  
7 Potential sushi  
8 AWOL pursuers  
9 Thick soup  
10 Mini-quake  
11 Boardroom  
13 Rendezvous  
18 "Bravo!"  
21 Occupied  
23 Receded  
25 Dog's follower  
27 "Awesome!"  
29 Musical show

31 Strident  
32 Avoids a big wedding  
33 Do the bathroom  
34 Thither  
36 License prelim  
37 vast expanses  
38 A million  
41 Different  
44 Louise or Turner  
45 Actress Ward  
48 - U.S. Pat. Off.  
50 Kurosawa film

Answers in Today's Classifieds





### Hockey Tournament

Local special education students recently competed in the Special Olympics Poly Hockey tournament at Eastern Michigan University. Top left: (front row) Sarah Borden, Jeff Whitehead, (back row) Marc Tuttle, Heidi Herrst and Jason Nicol. Top Right: (front row) Jill Orzechowski, Melissa Sprague, Martez Goodwin, (back row) Mike Malley, Kyle Davidson and Tim Davenport. Middle: Eric Wilson, Barron Dotson, Ray Stillion and Cole McIntosh. Bottom right: Peter Hillaker, Erin Gray, Robert Gluckstad, Delore Rae Pickell, Allen Carter and Franco Tiberia. Bottom left: Zach Byrne, Jon Bell, Martha Taylor, Ken Harrington, Kevin Casady and Sam Burch.



## Power utility deregulation bill fails

By Gary Gosselin  
Heritage Newspapers

Attempts to speed up and clarify utility deregulation will have to wait until next year after a bill backed by Gov. John Engler failed to pass the state Legislature before the 1998 session ends.

The bill added to the confusion by the general public about deregulation of electricity and gas in Michigan, obscuring the fact that there already is a phase-in program in place.

The Michigan Public Service Commission issued a deregulation plan in 1997, and deregulation already is on schedule to be phased in by 2002.

The bill was strongly opposed by business and consumer groups, most notably the Michigan Retailers Association and through the Customer Coalition.

"The (Legislature) chose to simply empower the MPSC to proceed with its existing plans for deregulation," the retailers' association said in a written statement.

"The plan was broadly opposed by business and consumer interests alike and never garnered sufficient support for a formal vote before the (Legislature)."

The plan drew criticism for its four-year rate freeze, cost protections for the utility companies and lack of sufficient market power protections.

The retailers' association said the rate freeze would have effectively allowed the utilities to pass along rate reductions, and the cost protections for the existing utilities actually could have meant higher charges for the average consumer.

The association also said the bill lacked specific parameters under which the public service commission would have annually adjusted the incumbent utilities' stranded cost charge, which may have halted any significant downward pricing. Stranded costs are the investments incumbent utilities already have made.

But the utilities now operating in Michigan and their advocates claim that if no set plans are made into law, and if there are no protections for the infrastructure investments the utilities have made, there will be no incentive to move quickly in the matter.

They also claim that if a plan is left to a state commission — in this case, the Michigan Public Service Commission — it does not have the effect of a law and can be changed too easily.

That ability to change a deregulation plan makes potential investors in new services wary, because the investments may not necessarily be protected if provisions can be changed easily.

And, while the public service commission apparently has a preliminary plan for deregulation, the issue is so complicated that some are doubting that it is comprehensive enough.

## Millennial apocalypse fears have historic roots

By Alex Lundberg  
Heritage Newspapers

Time passes constantly, incessantly. It's almost impossible to say when "now" is because as soon as it is identified — it's passed. It's past.

So why, then, are so many people so concerned about the particular second when Dec. 31, 1999, turns into Jan. 1, 2000?

Isn't that just the passing of another second? Or is there some more substantive meaning beyond the name recognition of the end of this millennium?

Aside from the very likely mess that will be caused by the Year 2000 computer glitch, what are the roots of millennial phobias?

The Rev. John West, a theologian in the education department of the Archdiocese of Detroit, said there is only a coincidental reference to a millennium in the Bible.

"There is an important reference to a millennium in the book of Revelation, Chapter 20, that talks about the 1,000-year reign of Christ," he said.

West said the Bible refers to 1,000 years but not an era that would necessarily begin at the start of a millennium.

He said even the number itself isn't necessarily important.

"One thousand is symbolic of eternity," he said. "It's like when I talk with first-graders, 1,000 is the largest number there can be. It's a way of communicating a great number of years."

Since 1996, the Catholic Church has been working on a worldwide initiative, Jubilee 2000, to get the faithful thinking about the millennium.

The idea came from an apostolic letter written by Pope John Paul II in 1994 on preparing for the coming millennium.

West said the letter was a call for introspection and planning, not to panic.

"It asks people how to use their values as a nation and as families to make this a better world," West said. "This was probably the bloodiest century in history. Do we want the next to be the same?"

Dr. James Moriarty, a psychologist whose practice is in Dearborn, said the number 2,000 is a convenient one.

"Anniversaries are milestones," he said. "People don't pay too much attention to the 23rd or 24th, but the 20th, 30th and 50th are important."

Certain religious groups and cults hang a lot of importance on the changing of a millennium, most commonly by assigning it as the time of Armageddon or the coming of Christ.

The dates are a peg that anything can be hung from easily, Moriarty said.

"When there is the unknown, the vague or amorphous, people have a tendency

to project their fears on them," he said. "It's like a Rorschach blot. It gives a meaning to their fears."

Not all of the fears are irrational, he said. The coming Y2K computer problem has given a suspiciously credible angle to fears about the end of the world.

"Y2K is drawing attention to it," Moriarty said. "Some say there is a religious meaning to it where there is no (religious) significance."

The only thing to do, if one has a fear of the beginning of the next millennium, is to take a look at personal actions.

"You have to continue to live life as best you can, live within your means," Moriarty said. "Do that and it will pass like any other day. How we live and relate will make a difference rather than an event that is out of our control."

Ronald Wiens, a certified social worker and director of adult and family services at the Downriver Guidance

Clinic in Southgate, said an unknown quantity such as the millennium is a place where people can put their existing fears.

"Every thousand years, at each century, this kind of thing happens," he said. "Some youngsters are already so focused on anger, have already been abused, that they think it's the end of the world."

He said people who feel that way use that reasoning to justify a number of self-destructive behaviors and thought processes.

To fight that thinking, he said, it's necessary to attack the roots.

"When a person already has no hope, it's hard to combat," Wiens said. "You need to go into why they are already depressed and find the roots. Then you can make changes."

## 'Insurrection' adds to Star Trek franchise

By Alex Lundberg  
Heritage Newspapers

Following the trend of many post-Soviet era films, the ninth Star Trek offering, "Star Trek: Insurrection," wraps its villains up in an all-too-familiar blanket: the flag of the good guys.

"Insurrection" begins on an idyllic, rural planet populated by peaceful, happy people. The sunlit glory is broken quickly by a rampaging Lt. Data (Brent Spiner) who reveals himself to the locals and also exposes the presence of Federation observers on the planet.

Capt. Picard (Patrick Stewart) and the Enterprise are called to the backwater planet (hidden in a nebula referred to as the Briar Patch) to bring the android to heel.

Picard and the crew find out quickly that the planet is shot through with a radiation that causes people to age

backward. Some of the peaceful people there have been in residence for more than 300 years.

At the same time, they also learn that a Starfleet admiral is working in cahoots with a group of sinister aliens (headed by a sneering F. Murray Abraham) to relocate the planet's residents so they can harness the power of the planet for themselves.

Therein lies the conflict. Picard believes that moving the residents is a violation of the Prime Directive: Noninterference with technologically unsophisticated peoples.

The admiral, played by Anthony Zerbe, sees things differently. If the radiation can be harnessed (as Abraham and cohorts allege) medical science will take an amazing leap forward. The end justifies the means, and since there are only 600 people on the planet, his math works out to support

forced relocation.

Picard's orders are to turn his back and take the Enterprise with him. Naturally, he disobeys his superiors and the movie takes off running from there.

Insurrection takes some time to get rolling, and clocking in at one hour, 45 minutes, it has to do a lot in a short amount of time. In the future, execs at Paramount should remember that they aren't producing for television anymore and can give themselves more time to work with.

But, like the television show, the chemistry between the actors works beautifully. The script has more than a few outright jokes written into it and they all get laughs.

As if there hadn't been a five-year gap since the Next Generation left the air, the crew is as familiar and comfortable to watch as they have ever been.

For those in the know (Trekkies they call them — Trekkies they call themselves), "Insurrection" seems to have beaten the odd-numbered Star Trek curse. Some of the previous odd-numbered offerings (namely the abysmal fifth movie and the lame seventh) have been less than what even the die-hard fans would accept.

For the legions of fans who have followed the progress of television's Star Trek franchise of movies, this review is superfluous. Those fans have either already seen the movie or were going to go anyway.

For those who are considering boldly going as an alternative to some of the more sugared offerings this season (or for those who want some relief from the mall), "Insurrection" is a good choice with nothing objectionable to a younger viewer.

Rating: B+ Paramount Pictures, Rated: PG.

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**AGENDA:**  
Larry Merle, Assessor - Presentation  
1) Proposed Zoning Ordinance  
**DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**  
William Milam, Chairman

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 1999 at 7:30 p.m., at the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, Michigan 48130.

**Agenda:**  
1) Dennis Abraham, 04-06-355-011, 14344 Edgewater, tabled to a future meeting.  
2) Applicant: Karen Gocho, 157-19 Doris, Livonia, MI. Property address: 4401 Toma Rd. Tax Code: 04-15-100-024. Applicant is requesting a variance from the front yard setback requirement of 13' to 9'.  
3) Applicant: Michael Romine, 9595 Huron River Drive. Tax Code: 04-12-400-008. Applicant is requesting a variance from the required 30' rear yard setback to 15'; from the required 15' side yard setback to 5'; and to recognize existing non-conforming lot size, lot width and non-conforming structure, minimum floor area and building width to construct a 32' x 40' single story pole barn and remove the existing 8' x 10' shed.

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 Chelsea Free Methodist  
 7665 Werkner Rd.  
 (734) 475-1391  
 Mearl Bradley, Senior Pastor  
 Larry Lyons, Associate Pastor  
 Mikel Henderson, Pastor of Youth Ministries  
 Sunday: Traditional worship, 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Contemporary worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday: Mid-week services

**Lutheran**  
**Faith Evangelical**  
 9576 North Territorial, Dexter  
 (734) 428-4302 or 428-8442  
 Rev. Mark Porinsky, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.  
 Wednesday: Worship, 7:30 p.m.

**Our Savior Lutheran**  
 1515 S. Main St., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-1404  
 Rev. Dale Grimm, Pastor  
 Sunday: Heritage Service, 8:15 a.m.; Education Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Celebration Service, 10:30 a.m.

**St. Jacob Evangelical**  
 12501 Rietmiller, Grass Lake  
 517-522-4187  
 Rev. Paul Huebner, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School and Bible Class, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10:15 a.m.

**Zion Lutheran**  
 3050 S. Fletcher Rd., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-8064  
 David Hendricks, Pastor  
 Sunday: No Sunday School; Worship, 10:15 a.m.

**Methodist**  
**First United Methodist**  
 128 Park St., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-8119  
 Rev. Richard Dake  
 Rev. Peggy R. Garrigues-Cortelyou  
 Sunday: Traditional Worship, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Contemporary Worship, 7 p.m.; Sunday School (all ages), 9:45 a.m.

**Manchester United Methodist Church**  
 501 Ann Arbor Road, Manchester  
 (734) 428-8495  
 Rev. Dave Mulder.

**North Lake United**  
 1411 North Territorial Rd.  
 (734) 475-7569  
 Rev. Wayne Hawley, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Fellowship, 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday: Bible Study, 7:15 p.m.; Choir, 8 p.m.

Salem Grove United Methodist  
 3320 Notten Rd., Grass Lake  
 (734) 475-2370  
 Rev. Carolyn & Rev. Daniel Harris  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Sharon United Methodist  
 Corner M-52 and Pleasant Lake Rd.  
 (734) 428-8430  
 Rev. Carter Garrigues-Cortelyou  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. (July and August only)

Waterloo Village  
 United Methodist Church  
 Washington St., Waterloo  
 Kathy Kirsch, Minister  
 Sunday: Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m.  
 Country Breakfast second Sunday each month. All you can eat. Free-will donation to Building Fund.

Chelsea Retirement Chapel  
 805 W. Middle St., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-8693  
 Rev. J. Gordon Schleicher  
 Sunday: Worship service, 9:30 a.m.

**Mormon**  
**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**  
 Gary Spooner, President  
 1330 Freer Rd., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-1778  
 Sunday: Sacrament, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 10:50 a.m.; Priesthood and Relief Society, 11:45 a.m.

**Non-Denominational**  
**Baha' Faith**  
 705 S. Main St., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-2718  
 Monday: Devotional meeting, 7 p.m.

Chelsea Hospital Ministry  
 775 S. Main St., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-1311

Covenant  
 Anthony Dickerson, Pastor  
 50 N. Freer Rd.  
 (734) 475-2508  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Communion first Sunday of every month.

Immanuel Bible  
 145 E. Summit St., Chelsea  
 (734) 475-8936  
 Ronald W. Clark, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45; Evening small groups, 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday: Prayer Service, 7 p.m.

Mt. Hope Bible Church  
 12864 Trist Rd., Grass Lake  
 (517) 522-8182  
 Joseph O'Neill, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY: Prayer Fellowship.**  
 7 p.m.

New Life Christian Center  
 Call for Location  
 (734) 475-1147  
 Erik Hansen, Pastor  
 Sunday: Worship, 11 a.m.

St. Vladimir Orthodox  
 8900 Jackson Road  
 (734) 761-7311  
 Rev. Father Paul Karas  
 Sunday and Holy Days: Divine liturgy, English and Slavonic, 10 a.m.

**Presbyterian**  
**Unadilla Presbyterian**  
 20175 Williamsville Rd., Unadilla  
 Joh Qiu, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church  
 On the Square in Stockbridge  
 M-52 and M-106  
 1-888-784-8128  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.  
 Communion and pot-luck first Sunday of the month.  
 Wednesday: Worship, 6:45 p.m.

**Quaker**  
 Michigan Friends Center  
 7748 Clark Lake Road, Chelsea  
 Isabel Bliss  
 (734) 475-8976  
 Sunday: Unprogrammed meeting every second Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

**United Church of Christ**  
**Bethel Evangelical**  
 10425 Bethel Church Rd.  
 (734) 428-8000  
 The Rev. Richard Hardy  
 First Congregational-Chelsea  
 121 E. Middle St.  
 (734) 475-1844  
 Rev. David Cleaver-Bartholomew  
 Sunday: Informal worship, 8 a.m.; Church school, 9 a.m.; Traditional worship, 10 a.m.

St. John's (Roger's Corners)  
 12376 Waters Rd., Chelsea  
 (517) 456-7661  
 Rev. Nancy M. D'bit, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School and Worship, 9:30 a.m.

St. John's  
 270 Bohne Rd., Grass Lake  
 Kris Abbey, Pastor  
 Sunday: Worship and Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.  
 Communion first Sunday each month.

St. Paul  
 14600 Old US-12  
 (734) 475-2545  
 Rev. Dr. Lynn Spitz-Nagel, Pastor  
 Sunday: Church school, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Communion Service, every second Sunday, 8:15 a.m.  
 Wednesday: Choir Rehearsals, 6:00 p.m.

Rev. Mark Vanderput  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Refreshments 10:20 a.m.; Worship, 10:45

**Non-Denominational**  
**Christian House of Prayer**  
 9949 Mc Gregor Rd.  
 Between Dexter & Pinckney  
 (734) 426-0933  
 Paul McKelvey, Elder  
 Ron Mannor, Elder  
 Sunday: Worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 7 p.m.  
 Thursday: Bible Study/Youth Group, 7:30 p.m.

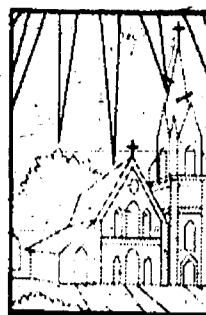
Dexter Gospel  
 2253 Baker Rd., Dexter  
 (734) 426-4915  
 John O'Dell, Pastor  
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**United Church of Christ**  
**St. Andrew's**  
 7610 Ann Arbor St., Dexter  
 (734) 426-8610  
 Rev. Gary J. Kwiatek  
 Sunday: Worship, 8:15 a.m.; Coffee time, 9:30 a.m.; Worship and Sunday School, 10 a.m.

The Webster Church  
 5494 Webster Church Rd., Dexter  
 (734) 428-6115  
 Rev. Kenyon Edwards  
 Sunday: Holy Communion, 8:30 a.m.; Church School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

If your church is in the Chelsea/Dexter area and is not listed here, please call us at (734) 475-1371.  
 Church Secretaries: We need information about your next week's activities by Friday. Thank you.

# Some athletes take Bible to heart



DON LINDMAN  
AMY FOUNDATION

## REAL ANSWERS

Watching Detroit Lions running back Barry Sanders play football is, to paraphrase John Keats, "a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

Some players are athletic artists. Greg Maddux paints the corners of home plate like it was a Van Gogh canvas. Michael Jordan soars toward the basket like an eagle in flight. Done well, an athletic performance can be beautiful in the true sense of the word.

Barry Sanders doesn't run, he dances, as he makes his way through the suddenly clumsy tackling efforts of one star athlete after another. His short, quick footsteps remind me of Fred Astaire or Gene Kelly in pads and cleats.

Darting first one way and then another, Sanders seems to stop on a dime and change direction instantaneously. On one memorable play he ran from sideline to sideline, gaining only a yard, but making at least five would-be tacklers miss in the process.

Sanders may be the greatest runner ever to lace up a pair of football shoes. That opinion comes from an increasing number of players-

turned-announcers who cover his games. He is tied with Walter Payton for the most seasons with over 1,000 yards rushing, and second in the number of 100-yard games. He is second all-time in career rushing yardage, second in career average yards per carry, and third in total yards gained by running, receiving, and returning kicks.

As soon as he is eligible, Sanders will be voted into the pro football hall of fame. When that happens, that sport's shrine to greatness will gain a man who is not only a great athlete but also a great person.

Too many other players have cast their lot with the ugly side of the sport - the drugs, the cheating, the trash talking, the egocentric parading, the unnecessary violence. Sexual promiscuity is rampant. Players are fathering children and leaving them. Criminal charges and convictions for rape, drugs, assaults, and illegal weapon possessions are far too high. The whole scene is frightening.

Then, like a beam of sunlight dancing through the window into a dark and dirty room, we see Barry Sanders. While other professional football players are tearing up their multi-million-dollar contracts, complaining about not playing enough, practicing their touchdown dances, and demanding to be traded, Sanders quietly goes about his job of running the football, year after year after year.

He reminds me that there

is an honorable, and beautiful, side to sports - even to football.

The Bible uses sports as a metaphor for the Christian life. "I don't run like a man running aimlessly," St. Paul reflected on his life; "I do not fight like a man beating the air." "Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize," he urges us.

Scripture also says, "whatever is true, noble, right, pure, admirable - focus on these things." Barry Sanders represents that kind of life in the world of professional football.

A person's character is shaped by many influences, but in Sanders' case his father, a pastor, and the church in which he was raised have made a substantial impact. Barry acknowledges that annually by contributing a portion of his salary to the congregation's ministry.

He has played on mediocre to average Detroit Lions teams throughout his career. As long as he stays in Detroit he will probably never win a championship, but he has remained quietly faithful to his team and to his job. I applaud him and athletes like him. And I regret that they are so few.

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# DEATHS

## ROBERT DALE "SAWBUCK" WINKLE

Age 67, died Monday, Jan. 4, 1999, in his home. He was born on Nov. 23, 1931, in Ann Arbor, the son of Frank and Lillie (Sousa) Winkle. Sawbuck was a former member of the Ann Arbor Eagles, and retired from Ted Waters Excavating.

Survivors include Nancy Scott of Chelsea; two daughters, Diana (Robert) Williams of Manchester, Patricia Kay (Ronald Jay) Nichols of Oklahoma; a step-daughter, Bonnie (Daniel) Mannor of Pinckney; a step-son, Jeff (Bonnie Jean) Scott of Jackson; one sister, Delight Bowerman of Chelsea; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and three nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one son, Richard, two brothers, Lyle and Neil; and one sister, Florence.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 7, at 11 a.m. at Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea, with burial following at Oak Grove East Cemetery, Chelsea. The family received friends Wednesday 1-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association.

## WILLIAM S. STOFFER

Age 63, died unexpectedly Tuesday afternoon Dec. 29, 1998, while cutting wood. He was born Nov. 3, 1935, in Ann Arbor, the son of Ralph and Ella (Finkbeiner) Stoffer. Bill had been a lifelong resident and farmer in the Dexter area. He was a member of Dexter United Methodist Church. Bill was a member of the Chelsea Community Fair Board and served as president from 1983 to 1990, and has been a member of the board since 1978. He was a recipient of the Chelsea Kiwanis Farmer of the Year award. He graduated from Dexter High School, was a member of the Wolverine Euchre Club, enjoyed woodworking, and was an all-around outdoorsman.

Bill married Betty J. Smith on June 22, 1957, in Dexter and she survives. Also surviving are his son, Ronald A. (Tracie) Stoffer of Dexter; his daughter, Pamela Sue (Charles) Broderick of Grass Lake; three grandchildren Ellie and Gibson Stoffer and Christy Broderick; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Charles and Helen Smith of Chelsea, Jerry and Linda Smith of Wichita Falls, Texas; and Marion Livingston of Gibsonsport, Fla.; and many nieces, nephews and grandnieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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## RUTH I. JASKOT

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Surviving are three sons, John M. Reilly and his wife, Linda, of Gregory; James L. Reilly Sr., and his wife, Shirley, of Stockbridge; and Steven J. Jaskot of Chelsea; nine grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren; and a special companion, "Murphy." She was preceded in death by her first husband, Donald Reilly, and her second husband, Peter Jaskot, and one sister, Doris Embury.

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## JOSEPH HUBBARD

Age 71, died on Dec. 29, 1998. Joseph was born in Pineville, Ky., on Feb. 20, 1927, the son of Henry and Agnes (Harkness) Hubbard. On Dec. 25, 1948, he was married to Edith Adams and she survives. Joseph owned and operated Dexter Hardwoods for many years. He attended Victory Baptist Church and was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Besides his wife Edith, Joseph is also survived by two sons, Gregory (Mona) Hubbard of Chelsea and Joseph (Sue Anne) Hubbard of Manchester; a daughter, Cynthia (Carl) Henciele of Troy; two sisters Francis Hightower and Evelyn Nail; and 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

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Mrs. Scott was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Ann Arbor for over 70 years. She retired from the U.S. Post Office in Dexter after 25 years of service, and was a member of the Rebekah Lodge #480 for 52 years.

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# BIRTHS

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A son, Evan John, Nov. 29, to Tim and Patti Sweeney of Chelsea. Maternal grandparents are Gene and Jean Ger-

stler of Grass Lake. Paternal grandparents are George and the late Doris Sweeney of Manistique. Great-grandparent is Helen Shubnell of Westland. Evan is the brother of Jayden.

Always Loved ~ Never Forgotten

Leonard French  
 June 18, 1924  
 January 8, 1994

A lot of people don't. Some of them fail to yield at highway-rail crossings. Others ignore the flashing lights or gates. Still others trespass on train property. And last year alone, 3,500 people were killed or maimed for life because they just didn't expect a train.

US Department of Transportation

# REVIEW

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17—Don O'Dell's camaraderie with other veterans led him to continue his association with his fellow soldiers throughout his life. And Aug. 17, it led him to become the commanding officer of the Washtenaw County Council of Veterans, an organization dedicated to helping veterans.

17—Proving that motorcycle rallies can be more than just the roar of Harleys riding into town, the Friends of Chelsea Motorcycle Rally board recently donated \$5,000 to Faith in Action.

17—John Groesser's English class has been working on a class project designed to teach problem solving by having the class members address what would happen if the Chelsea rock were deemed contaminated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

17—The Board of Education presented its new goals for the district Monday night. With apologies to Dean Witter, the board adopted a slogan of, "Achieving educational goals one student at a time."

17—Chelsea's most prominent landmark, the clock tower, has been getting a face-lift the last few months as McKinley Commercial, which manages the building, has put in new windows and spruced up the facade.

17—Chelsea hosted a Southeastern Conference showcase Saturday and Sunday, a first for the conference with so many teams competing all in one place at one time.

24—The planning commission and members of the community will hear a presentation at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday at the White Oaks Center on the Chelsea Community Hospital campus.

24—Residents in Chelsea may see a new streetlight at the corner of Freer Road and Old US-12 by November, according to Washtenaw County Road Commission Managing Director Bob Polens.

24—School board members and other school officials held an informal meeting with local groups Monday night to hammer out provisions of a policy to govern use of school facilities. The meeting covered costs and priorities of using the facilities.

24—Despite the recent projections of rising wages, the local charity Faith in Action has found 1998 to be a year of increasing need.

24—Lower than expected revenues for the general fund caused the Village of Chelsea to take about \$40,000 out of savings this year, according to the annual audit report, which was given to the Village Council last month.

24—In February, Chelsea village stepped up enforcement of three-hour parking areas downtown, hiring a full-time parking officer and re-vamping long-term lots to handle increased traffic. The council hoped to increase available short-term spots, and early results show the enforcement has done just that.

24—An enterprising thief got a belly full of corn muffins recently, after making off with 67,200 boxes of Jiffy Mix.

October...

1—A task force created to recommend a site for library expansion recently voted unanimously to recommend McKune House as the site for library expansion, according to Dan Kaminsky, library board member and liaison to the task force.

1—The silence at the Chelsea Board of Education meeting Monday night was almost as telling as the discord at the last, as both the district and the parents of students who are appealing punishment under the district's athletic policy prepared for a hearing scheduled for Wednesday night.

1—Water Department Supervisor Dan Rosentreter told the Village Council Sept. 22 that to cut down on complaints about dirty water, the water department plans to continue chlorination through the winter. The change was accepted by the council 5-1 with Trustee Frank Hammer objecting.

1—Chelsea School District's adult education program is undergoing some major changes this year as the consortium with Willow Run schools disbands, leaving each district to create their own programs.

1—Chelsea School District got the OK from its auditors

Monday night as the firm Yeo & Yeo said Chelsea's financial situation was sound, with one qualification. The district was told it should do a full accounting of its general-fixed assets.

8—After a solemn hearing in front of more than 100 on-lookers, the Chelsea Board of Education voted unanimously Sept. 30 to suspend eight students from athletics for violating the district's athletic code of conduct.

8—Responding to Lyndon Township Supervisor Maryann Noah's desire to plan for growth on a regional level, government officials from Chelsea Village and four surrounding townships have banded together to ensure planned growth around Chelsea.

8—Conducting the symphony of President Clinton's persona are experts in public relations based out of the White House presidential press office. One press officer who has added her voice to the chorus is former Chelsea resident Sarah Gegenheimer.

8—In a first step toward creating a new master plan for the village, residents and planners met in an open forum Oct. 1 to generate ideas on how to solve the village's problems. The Strader Group, consultants hired by the village to create the master plan, ran the meeting, directing the participants through four stages of brainstorming.

15—John Hansen, Democratic candidate for state representative, sat in a high-backed plush chair Friday, framed by accouterments of his campaign and the accomplishments of his 14 years as superintendent of Dexter schools.

15—More than a month after the opening of Chelsea High School, a few construction items have yet to be finished, according to Principal Ron Mead.

15—Chelsea High School graduate Zach Smith had his homecoming a little early Thursday, when he and his band the Dixie Power Trio broke in the high school's new auditorium with a rousing concert.

15—Beach Middle School kids found out they could leap tall buildings in a single bound last week as they climbed a 35-foot tall tower as part of sixth-grade camp. The kids also learned about science, nature and even survival skills in the wild in the three days they spent at Camp Storer.

22—Picking up the marking pen at the Nov. 3 election will net voters an array of options, from national representatives down to township officials. A variety of proposals are also on the ballot, waiting for residents to say "yea" or "nay."

22—The Chelsea-Shimizu exchange program marked its fifth year last week as 15 students from the Japanese city arrived for a weeklong visit of cultural understanding.

22—Chelsea Village Council voted in an ordinance change Oct. 13 that could make it more expensive to change the use of a building.

29—Lawyers for the parents of four students suspended under Chelsea School District's athletic code of conduct have focused on one new argument and modified another in a lawsuit filed against the district.

29—Farmer Jack grocery store will have to wait a few more weeks to begin construction on a 48,823 square foot building off M-52, thanks to a recent decision by Chelsea Village Planning Commission.

29—John Mitchell, owner of Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, told the Chelsea Planning Commission Oct. 20 that he is in the early stages of planning a new funeral home north of the village. Mitchell said he has an agreement to buy the property from Donna Lane, who owns a 3.8-acre parcel off M-52 north of Sibley Road.

29—In recognition of National Red Ribbon Week, Chelsea Students Against Driving Drunk passed out fliers and tied ribbons on cars to remind people of the importance of drug-resistance and education.

29—Chelsea residents may soon have another option for picking up their prescriptions. A new Rite Aid may be in store for the northeast corner of Old US-12 and M-52.

November...  
5—According to President Gary Davis, BookCrafters Inc.



## Relay for life

Chelsea residents turned out for the annual Relay for Life, held at Chelsea High School.

has spent over \$2.5 million in the last year alone buying new printing presses, film machines and binders to maintain its prestige in the book-binding industry.

5—Chelsea Village Council took another step toward permanent village offices Oct. 27 by accepting a proposal for office renovations from Dangerous Architects, owned by Chelsea resident Scott McElrath. Trustees Jim Myles and Steve Daut made the recommendation after evaluating the two proposals the village had received.

5—Six years after the Federal Government designated the route between Detroit and Chicago as a high-speed train corridor, local transportation agencies have begun to lay the groundwork for rapid transit through the Chelsea area.

5—The final planning task force report to the Chelsea District Library Board provided no surprises Monday. McKune House is the preferred site for expansion of the library.

12—The political bent of voters in the local area tended to be more conservative than that of their Ann Arbor neighbors, according to an analysis of voter returns in the Nov. 3 election. Voters in the Chelsea and Dexter areas voted largely for Republican candidates and against tax increases, though they supported selling bonds for environmental purposes.

12—In a brief meeting Monday night, the Chelsea Board of Education made several changes to its policies as part of an ongoing policy review.

12—Chelsea High School seniors Erik Strahler and Isaac Robinovitz were named National Merit Semi-finalists.

19—Chelsea District Library has a long way to go before deciding how much money it will ask for in a millage, according to Library Director Metta Lansdale.

19—Heavy winds last week knocked out power for thousands of people throughout Michigan, but Chelsea Village residents came out relatively unscathed, according to Electric Department Superintendent Bob Shepard.

## GARDEN CORNER

If coldframes aren't making a comeback, they should be.

These workhorses of Victorian gardeners are easy and inexpensive to make, observes Mary McLellan, Master Gardener program coordinator at Michigan State University, and they give the gardener who doesn't own a greenhouse a good place to start transplants, root cuttings, store bulbs for forcing and even grow salad crops when it's too cold to garden outdoors.

Gardeners can buy coldframes ready to assemble or build their own from easily obtainable materials. A pile of old wooden windows with a "FREE" sign on it may provide the lid; the sides can be as simple as a few bales of straw or as sophisticated as a masonry wall or wood on a block foundation.

The back is usually higher than the front so that rain and snow roll off the lid, McLellan notes. The lid frame may hold glass or fiberglass or clear polyethylene, which lets in sunlight for warmth and plant growth.

The best place to put a coldframe depends on what you intend to use it for, McLellan points out. The usual location

19—After 14 years as a school superintendent and 10 years as principal, John Hansen, Democratic winner of the 52nd District race Nov. 3, has done his fair share of educating. But not two weeks from the election, Hansen was the one headed back to school, as he spent three days last week learning the ropes of the freshman representative.

19—At a well-attended Chelsea Village Council meeting Nov. 10, residents came out to voice their opposition to a plan to close the railroad crossing at East Street. Citing increased truck noise and safety concerns, residents urged the council not to close the crossing until a plan for re-routing the trucks was found.

19—Chelsea Village Council made a bid to buy Sylvan Township Hall Nov. 10, but it came a little late. The hall has been sold, according to Township Supervisor Jerry Dresselhouse.

24—Farmer Jack narrowly received approval from Chelsea Planning Commission Nov. 17 to begin building its new grocery store off M-52 in the south part of the village. Planning commissioners split their votes 4-3 with one abstention and one person absent to give Farmer Jack the go-ahead.

24—After more than a year of negotiating, the village of Chelsea and four surrounding townships are on the verge of signing an agreement to create a fire authority. The five municipalities received a final draft of the agreement two weeks ago, and have until Dec. 31 to sign on to the deal.

24—Chelsea Planning Commission approved a preliminary plat for 124 residences to be built off Freer Road and Old US-12. The Fairways subdivision will consist of homes and several open spaces to be used as parks.

24—The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners officially sanctioned local communities' regional planning efforts Nov. 18, by unanimously adopting a resolution to support their ideas.

24—The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners ap-

pointed several local residents to various county offices last Wednesday.

December...

3—Local students increased their scores and maintained a healthy lead over state averages on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program high school test this year, according to statistics presented to both Chelsea and Dexter school boards.

3—Athletics in Chelsea are on the cusp of a major change, Chelsea High School Principal Ron Mead told the school board Nov. 23, as the Southeastern Conference loses two of its seven teams and school officials consider options for keeping the league from disintegrating altogether.

3—In an arrangement with the Downtown Development Authority, Chelsea Village Council adopted a resolution Nov. 24 to formally sell a piece of land on Park Street to the Purple Rose Theatre next door.

3—Traffic, growth and infrastructure improvements were the top three concerns of village residents at an October forum, according to a summary given to Chelsea Planning Commission last month.

3—The Chelsea Area Transportation System may expand its bus routes next summer if the organization receives money from the state

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from local community groups. Severin says the foundation receives many more worthwhile projects that the organization can fund, and the donation will help fill the gap.

"Every year we just wish we had more money to give away," Severin says. "We're the kind of foundation that doesn't serve coffee at our meetings because we really try to give everything back to the community."

"This is really our first bequest. We're hoping that this will be a springboard for the community, that this is a way people can support the community forever."

Wagner's philanthropy doesn't surprise Chelsea resident Nancy Grau, a longtime friend of Wagner's. She says Wagner cared about children and education for many years, so the donation was a natural extension of that interest.

Grau says that aside from her educational activities, Wagner was involved in a wide range of community groups. She was active in her church and gave readily to the humane society to support animals.

Wagner also was a founding member of Chelsea Social Services. She and three other members collected items for lower income families before the organization merged with Faith in Action.

"She was just a very nice person," Grau says. "She was caring and interested in people and what they were doing. I'm not surprised that she distributed money to things that were very important to her."

Wagner moved to Chelsea in 1937 when her husband got a job working for the Central Fiber company, McLaughlin says. Her husband soon left the business to pursue his own invention, a device that routed power from an automobile's engine for use in winches or other auxiliary mechanisms.

Robert founded Chelsea Products in 1945, and the business grew quickly as the emerging markets for automobiles advanced sharply after

to buy a new bus.

10—Though Lima Township accepted an agreement to form the Chelsea Fire Authority at its Dec. 1 meeting, the township still has a few uncertainties about how fire protection would work in the township now covered by two fire departments.

10—With unemployment at historically low levels nationwide, it seems almost no local store is without a "Help Wanted" sign in the window. The holiday season is in full swing, giving job seekers in the Chelsea and Dexter areas a bonanza of positions in restaurants and retail shops.

10—Chelsea Board of Education has been busy lately updating its policy manuals in preparation for a major review planned this school year.

17—Chelsea Village may have to spend about \$750,000 to build a new well and pipe to pump water, if the village strikes water on its current drill site, according to Village Manager Jack Myers.

17—Chelsea faces the prospect of a new development that may include mobile homes, condominiums and houses, according to Steven Fischer, president of Selective Enterprises Inc.

17—Farmer Jack is looking into its options after Chelsea Village Council rejected its request, last Tuesday, to reduce the connection fees the company will pay to tap into village water and sewer.

17—After adding about \$500,000 to both revenues and expenditures, the Chelsea School District ended its projected budget about even Monday when it adopted an amended budget resolution.

24—The Chelsea Planning Commission's proposal to rezone land next to the Purple Rose Theatre got a little more opposition than planners expected last Tuesday as several residents came to support turning the grassy hill into a park.

24—Drainage improvements, the east part of the village could cost \$735,000, according to a recent study conducted by the Washtenaw County Drain Commission.

24—Taking a dip in the drink at Beach Middle School pool will soon be only a mouse click away thanks to the technical wizardry of Chelsea High School senior Jason AtLee.

the war. Chelsea Products was purchased by the Dana Corporation in the 1950s.

Wagner's daughter, an only child, committed suicide in the late 1960s, Grau says. Her daughter's death, and the death of Robert from cancer a few years later were heavy blows for Wagner because she had such a small family and because Judy never had children of her own.

"It was real tough because it was her only child," Grau says of Judy's death. "She lost her daughter tragically and was interested in my family because she never had grandchildren. At times she had reasons not to be that way, but she was always a happy person."

In the 1980s, Wagner began to think of a way to memorialize her husband and daughter, McLaughlin says. She asked school officials about creating a way to give out scholarships for local students.

Newly arrived Superintendent Joe Plasecki suggested an education organization, an institution his former district had implemented for the same purposes. Wagner's aspiration and the work of school officials became the first building blocks of what became the Chelsea Education Foundation.

Though she wouldn't want to take credit for it, McLaughlin says she was a major impetus behind starting the foundation as a vehicle to benefit organizations in the district. Her bequest gives a solid footing to the institution.

Wagner had many interests and made contributions to a wide range of organizations, McLaughlin says, but education and engineering were dear to her heart. The trust was one of the largest donations she gave out, hoping to encourage other to follow her loved ones' lead.

"She really wanted to promote teaching and engineering through her husband and daughter," he says. "She felt very close to Chelsea. That was a big part of her life, those years. She wanted to promote all of the causes she stood for."