

Around Town

Beach school hit by flu outbreak

Beach Middle School has seen a rash of illness lately with up to 170 kids absent from school last week, Principal Bill Westcott reported to the Chelsea Board of Education Monday.

Westcott said a flu virus that has been traveling around schools hit Beach hard at the beginning of the week but has tapered off in recent days.

"It was bad there last week," Westcott said. "But we only have 50 people gone today."

Westcott said that in some cases of widespread illness, schools will close down and send kids home. He said if 33 percent of the student population is sick, the health department considers closing school. On the worst day, Feb. 3, only 23 percent were absent.

The illness hit Beach harder than at other times, because the school was conducting MEAP tests for seventh- and eighth-graders. Westcott said students are coming in during zero hour before regular classes start to finish the tests.

He said everyone at the school is working to ensure kids needs are met, but he is glad to see the flu running its course.

"I think that it's gone through other schools and we were the next hit," Westcott said. "But the kids are back and people are well."

School board to refinance debt

Chelsea school board voted to move forward with refinancing the district's bond debt. The bonds will be resold at a lower interest rate which could save the district close to \$2 million over the course of the bond.

Mentorship participants present to board

In the second round of three presentations to the school board, Chelsea High School students told Chelsea Board of Education what they had worked on over the course of the semester in their mentorship programs.

Senior Catherine Jaques told the board that she did a veterinary medicine mentorship. She explored surgery on large animals, in particular cows.

Senior Amanda Warren did a mentorship in mathematics. She decided probability and statistics was the most interesting, and said she would pursue a career as an actuary.

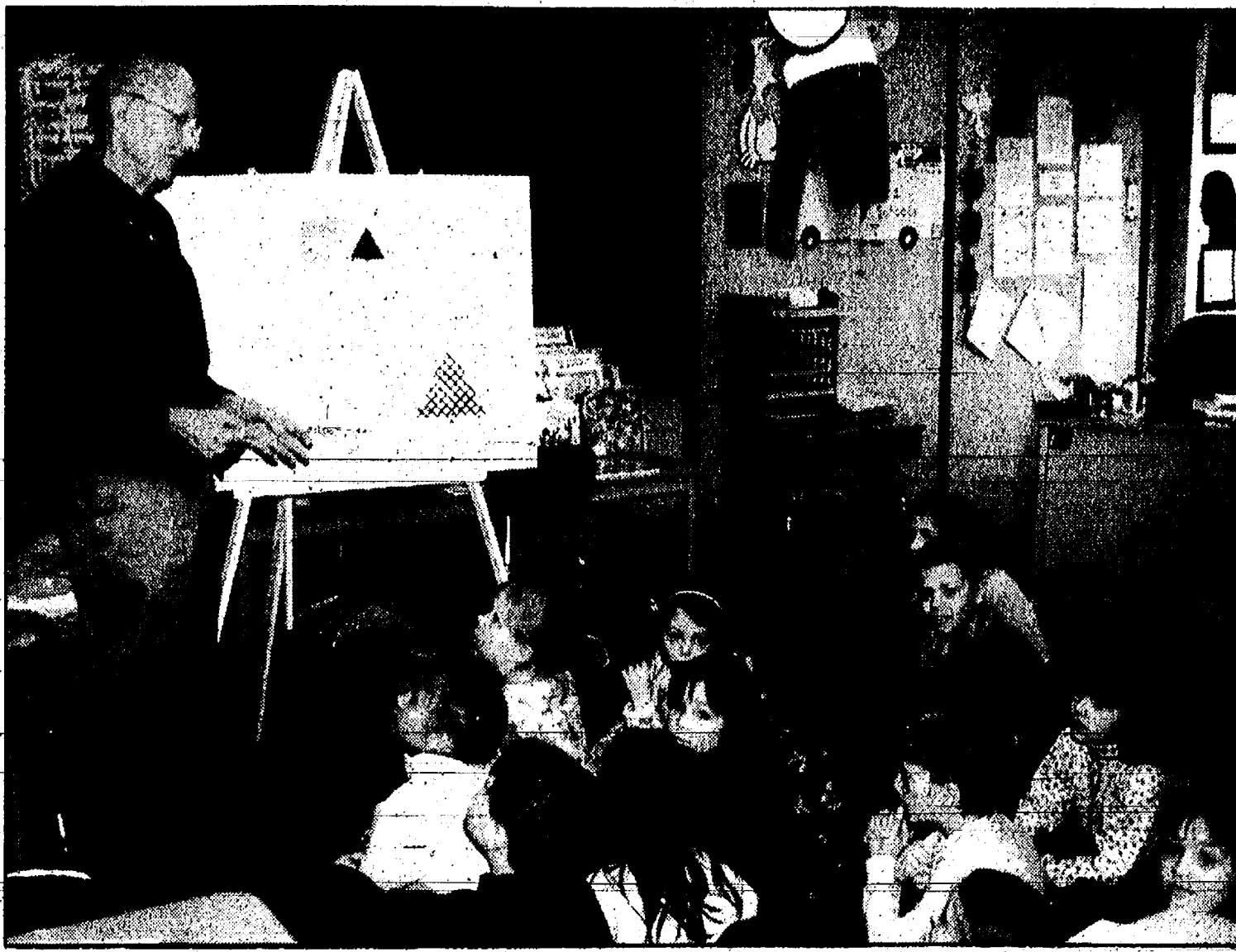
Board receives letter on gay policy

The school board received a letter Monday night from Chelsea High School student Luke Deikis asking the board to include sexual orientation in the district's non-discrimination policy. Deikis had said the same during public comment in January, but wanted to make a formal request. The letter was forwarded to the board's policy committee.

Library to begin storytime Wed.

Storytime at Chelsea District Library begins Feb. 18 and will run every Wednesday until March 25. Participants can meet the new youth services librarian, Tina Diab, and enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays and crafts.

Toddler storytime, for two-year-olds accompanied by an adult, is 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Pre-school, for three- to five-year-olds is 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Call 475-8732 for more information.



—Cross-Stitch Lesson—

Former University of Michigan Professor Lawrence Ogden shows Marsha Hansen's second-grade class how to cross-stitch. Pictured are Ogden, Kara Cremer, Anna Foley, Megan Jerant, Alyssa Miller, Ashley Clouse, Emily Rabbitt, Ian Macleod, Daniel Case, Willa Booth, Angel Parmentier, Johnathan Brooks, Colleen Cottrell and Dean Roberts.

Residents sign petition to protest all-day kindergarten

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

Board discussion over the merits of moving to an all-day alternate-day kindergarten got a little more spirited than usual Monday night when Trustee Jill Taylor brought up concerns from parents over eliminating the choice between the two programs.

Taylor said some parents in the district are circulating a petition to keep the current system, which allows parents to decide whether they want their children to go all day or half day.

"Parents have come to me and said they would like a choice," Taylor said. "They said the meetings presented only the favorable side (of the debate)."

Chelsea resident Ginni O'Quinn is among the organizers of the petition drive. She said she would like the district to continue the current policy that allows parents to choose which system is better for their child.

O'Quinn said her son will be entering school in the next few years and she wants to ensure he will be ready. She said she would put her son in private school rather than place him in an all-day program.

"I think we push kids to grow up too fast," O'Quinn said. "I think my son could go

all day, but we just want to be able to keep the choice."

The district has had numerous meetings with parents over the last few months to disseminate information about the program. Assistant Superintendent Iva Corbett has met with parents with children currently in kindergarten and with parents of younger kids to find out their concerns.

Corbett said the biggest concern she has heard from parents is that they are worried their children will not be mature enough to cope with going to school all day. She said parents are also concerned about how the schools will handle the lunch period and transportation of students during regular hours.

Taylor asked Corbett at the board meeting if the district has taken a survey of parents to ask them whether they would support going to an all-day format. She said that it might be better to find out what parents think is best before going forward with a decision.

Corbett responded that she would hesitate to survey parents without giving them information first. She said it is important that parents be informed of the issues before coming to a decision.

Trustee Conrad Knutsen then suggested the board review minutes and discussions

leading up to the initial decision to offer the all-day, alternate-day program. He said it was important for the board to remember whether the program was presented to residents as a choice or a staging ground for later policy change.

Corbett said she is continuing to meet with parents to discuss the issue, including a meeting held Wednesday night. She said she has received a small number of calls from parents, which she takes to mean people are generally informed of the issue.

At the meeting, Corbett reiterated the benefits to the school district of moving to an all-day program. She said the district could save \$52,000 in transportation costs by eliminating mid-day bus routes. She also said that research has shown education would not suffer, and may even be improved by the all-day program.

In an attempt to further disseminate information, a recent issue of Chelsea Challenge, the school district's newsletter, outlined several questions and answers regarding the all-day kindergarten. The newsletter addresses issues such as maturity level, busging, and choice of programs. It also addressed what will be done with the savings from bus drivers' salaries and gas.

Sylvan board objects to annexation

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

Sylvan Township Board voted Feb. 3 to protest the annexation into the village of property near the Chelsea Retirement Community. Supervisor Jerry Dresselhouse said the board thought it would be detrimental to Chelsea's downtown with the village's intention to convert the village into a city.

At issue is a piece of land just west of the retirement community that juts into Sylvan Township from the western border of Chelsea. Chelsea Village Council voted to annex the piece of land Jan. 13 upon request of the retirement community.

Dresselhouse said his concern is that the annexation will create an opportunity for the state boundary commission to square off Chelsea's border farther west than the two municipalities had agreed. The boundary commission decides how a city's boundaries will look when an application for incorporation into a city goes to the state for approval.

If the commission squares off the boundaries farther west, a large section of Sylvan Township will become part of the City of Chelsea. Dresselhouse said the section is slated to be zoned for urban use, such as higher-density housing or commercial development. He said this type of zoning is appropriate given its proximity to Chelsea and the wetland further west that would shield it from the rest of rural Sylvan Township.

According to Dresselhouse, if the land were added to the village, Sylvan Township would have to zone another section of the township for urban use, giving developers the possibility of setting up commercial centers outside of Chelsea's downtown, which could harm the village's plan for community development.

"The most likely location (for urban zoning) is south of I-94 on M-52," Dresselhouse said. "If a Wal-Mart or strip mall went in there it could have a negative impact on downtown."

Village Manager Jack Myers said there is some question as to whether the land is actually part of Sylvan Township. He said it had been on record in the county as being part of the village, but was ap-

parently never recorded by the state.

Myers said the council voted to annex the land because it was the easiest way to include as part of the village what he believed to be already within the boundaries. Sylvan Township decided to contest the annexation to forestall the boundary commission from including it in the city boundaries.

Village President Richard Steele said that though the boundary commission has the power to square off the boundaries, he didn't think it would go against the agreement of the township and village. He said cutting out that much land would amount to gouging, and he didn't think it would go through.

"The boundary commission can take a boundary and put it wherever they want to," Steele said. "But I certainly don't think they would square it off."

One way to ensure the boundary commission would not cut out a swath of land from Sylvan Township would be for the village and the township to sign a contractual agreement stipulating the boundaries, Dresselhouse said. The contract is known as a 425 agreement, named for Public Act 425, which allows shared use of land by cities and townships.

Steele said the 425 agreements are typically used for economic development with limited scope. If an industry wanted to join the village, for instance, the two municipalities could draw up a contract to share tax revenue and responsibility for utilities for up to 50 years, renewable twice. The boundary commission could not violate the terms of the 425 agreement by squaring off the boundaries of the city.

Dresselhouse said the same agreement could be used on a larger scale to set the boundaries of the village. He said Sylvan has approached the village with the possibility in May, but received response only recently.

Steele said he didn't know whether a 425 agreement could be used to set boundaries. But if it could, it would calm the municipal dispute.

"The only way to be assured (of the boundaries) would be to do a contractual arrangement," Steele said. "It would settle it right there."

MEAP tests not only measure of achievement

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

As students in Chelsea finish wearing their No. 2 pencils to a nub taking the Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests, parents and school officials begin the wait to see how their children measure up to students around the state.

Started in 1969, the MEAP tests have become an annual ritual for kids across Michigan. The results are compared and debated repeatedly, but administrators and teachers caution that the MEAP, or any other single statistic, is not to be used as the sole measure of a district's success.

"I think it's useful," said Curriculum Director Laurie Kotchenruther. "It's certainly not the be-all-and-end-all, but it can be used by teachers and parents to gain information."

The MEAP tests have been given for the last three weeks in Chelsea School District. Students in fourth and seventh grades took reading and math tests, and fifth- and eighth-graders took science and writing.

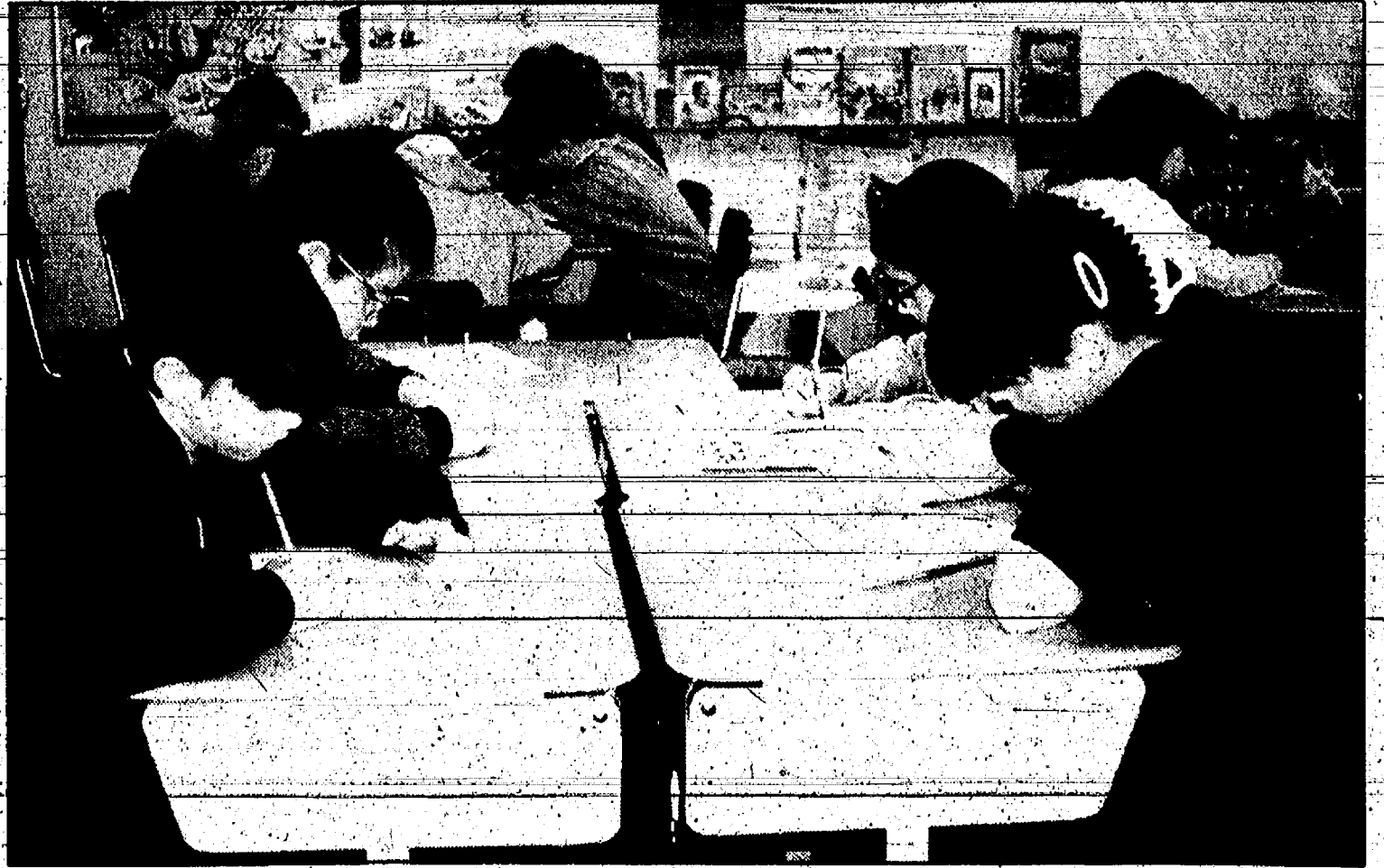
Kotchenruther said the MEAP is what's called a criterion-reference test, which means the state sets up stan-

dards to follow and students are tested to see if they meet the standards. Districts are then given a score based on the percentage of students who passed the tests.

The state Department of Education publishes benchmarks for districts to follow so they can come up to consistent standards across districts, according to Kotchenruther. Each test is also given a few dry runs to determine the reliability of the test and how well it approximates the standards.

Kotchenruther said that though the MEAP tests are clearly important in determining what a district will teach, the curriculum is not entirely set up to teach to the test. Chelsea schools, for instance, do not emphasize rote calculation in math, but the test has a section for this type of learning.

Kotchenruther said the district prefers to look at what the district thinks should be taught to children, then see if the test can be used to improve the curriculum. The district uses many ways of assessing children, from class tests and observation to independent studies and descriptive grading instead of testing.



While students in Chelsea School District work at getting their best scores on the MEAP tests, administrators and teachers caution against using the scores as the sole measure of student achievement. Pictured are Patrick Vesper, Sam Kleber, Ashley Kime and Melissa Socks.

She said the test can be used to find out where students can improve.

"We use (the test) to see where our strengths and weaknesses are," Kotchenruther said. "It's a useful meas-

ure from year to year of where preparation might not be as strong."

Band teacher Bill Gourley, who is president of Chelsea Education Association, the union that represents Chelsea

teachers, said he thinks the tests can provide a way to bring all students in the state up to the same level. He said measuring students from disparate districts can be a challenge. **(Continued on Page Three)**

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Just last week, in this very column, they distorted my words to alienate a growing block of supporters. My running mate, Arlotta Moonfellow, and I were laying out our plan for the vast Chelsea underground complex. We were going to tie it into the hospital an have Guernseys along the walls to carry emergency patients to the ER.

The press changed my words! They used the term guernseys instead! Do you know how many of Arlotta's friends we could have employed by using Guernseys? I don't either, but it would have been a lot! And now we have to use these roller beds instead, replacing real, live bovine labor with mechanical devices. Half of our voting block has been alienated through this subtle maneuver by the press.

At first we thought it was just a mistake, but then last week, their true evil purpose was revealed. A whole, big, front-page article and not one word about our campaign! They talked about all the

other candidates. Here we are, working hard every day, polling the people, trying to run a thinking-persons campaign, and we're completely ignored. Next thing you know, they'll be interviewing all these women I never slept with in a right-and-left-wing attempt to discredit my moral character when everyone knows I don't even have a moral character to discredit.

They'll say I inhaled! They'll say I once flirted with Gary Hart! None of it is true! The special prosecutor tried to offer me a deal if I would say I lied about smuggling that Bulldog into the school gym, but I won't give in to that kind of deal-making tactics.

And that rumor about my plans to build a bunch of ugly condominiums in town is untrue! And no matter what you've heard, I would never tear down the Clock Tower building to build an indoor miniature golf course. That was only something my partners and I were joking around with. We'd never really do it or

anything Really. I swear. And that thing about whacking the village president on the leg so he couldn't run is just absurd. Besides, I know he'd never forgive me if I did, so I'd probably hire someone else to do it. Although I probably could make a pile of money denying I had anything to do with it.

Remember, don't believe everything you hear in the paper. The Apollo Party campaign is going strong. We have ideas and stuff, and that's what it takes to win. So vote for Apollo. Write me in for village president! Don't let the bad guys win!

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Letters to the Editor

Let board know opinion on kindergarten proposal

The Chelsea School District is particularly blessed to have highly qualified and motivated administrators and teachers. In addition, I believe that the parents in our community are truly interested in taking an active role in teaching our children.

On March 9, the Chelsea Board of Education will be considering the current policy of "parental choice" in determining the current option of half-day versus all-day kindergarten format.

A proposal by the district's administration to discontinue the option of half-day format has resulted in concerns from many parents.

In addition, a petition drive

is underway to ask the board to continue with the current policy of "parental choice."

Regardless of what position you may take on this controversial and emotional issue, it is important that parents take an active role in shaping school district policy and express their views to the members of the board of education. If you have an opinion regarding this "parental choice" issue, you should write your board members at the following address:

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Letters should be received in advance of the special session on Monday, Feb. 23.

Ginni O'Quinn

Sexual orientation should not be protected class

In the Jan. 22 "A Closer Look" column, Eric Bowen criticizes the Chelsea school board's silence on the matter of sexual orientation as if it were their final position.

The previous week's article "Policy on gays raised at board meeting," however, quotes board President Jane Dising as saying "the board would likely deal with the (gay) issue in future meetings."

Hence, the debate is not squelched as Mr. Bowen maintains and will allow for deliberation. Clearly the board has accepted "responsibility for deciding what's best for Chelsea."

Furthermore Mr. Bowen is right that "the school district's job is to educate all students equally" but how sorrowfully misguided he is to suggest "prohibiting discrimination against gays is a step toward that mission."

Homosexuality is an abnormal, immoral perversion of the sexual relationship that God intends between a man and the woman he is married to. Mr. Bowen should have accepted the Bible offered him as he reported in the Oct. 15, "A Closer Look." He would have found the institution of marriage ordained for a man and his wife reported in Genesis 2:24. It reads "Adam and Eve" not "Adam and Steve."

Moreover, he would see the Lord God Himself commands in Leviticus 18:22 "Do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman; that is detestable."

Years later the Apostle Paul, inspired by the Holy Spirit, wrote in 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor homosexual offenders will inherit the kingdom of God." Since God declares that homosexuals will not be allowed in the kingdom of God (heaven), why should they be recognized and thus allowed as a couple into a Chelsea High School dance?

The same-sex couples who felt they were being discriminated against on the basis sex when denied admission to a dance were no more being discriminated against based on "sex" than would be a boy trying to use the girls' bathroom at the high school. How absurd for the latter to complain "No fair! You're not letting me have equal access to the girls' facilities because I'm a boy" and call it being discriminated against on the basis of sex. Such a boy would be considered a pervert and rightly so. Or has the deception blinded the mind to the immorality of this, too?

Sexual orientation should not be included as a protected class along with race, sex, age, national origin, religion and disability. Indeed sexual orientation, what people do, cannot be compared to race and gender, what people are. Colin Powell, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, writes of the inappropriate linking of homosexual behavior with the civil rights movement: "Skin color is a benign, non-behavioral characteristic. Sexual orientation is perhaps the most profound of human behavioral characteristics. Comparison of the two is a convenient but invalid argument."

Mr. Bowen maintains that ideally our lawmakers should make a national standard that includes sexual orientation among the protected classes. To do so would be in stark contradiction to the position of the founding fathers of this country. Further, the original 13 colonies that became our nation's first 13 states had laws on books making sodomy

a crime. In some cases sodomy was punished by death.

In closing, I believe the board of education will indeed "accept the responsibility for deciding what's best for Chelsea" and it will do so by not promoting the homosexual agenda. This country's founders spoke out against homosexuality and so did God who recorded it for us in His Word (as was previously cited).

The account of Sodom and Gomorrah is there as well for all to consider. The warning is clear: "These things occurred (are recorded) as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil as they did (1 Corinthians 10:5). "Be not deceived, God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature reaps destruction." Galatians 5:7-8.

Stephanie Lee

Plenty to do for Chelsea kids

In response to the kids who wrote letters to the editor concerning lack of activities for teenagers in Chelsea, I am sending in this article that my mother saved for me when I was younger.

Despite my age I wholeheartedly agree with what it has to say. As for you fellow young people, it's up to you to decide whether or not you're still as bored as you thought you were.

"Always we here the plaintive cry of the teen-ager, 'What can we do? Where can we go?' The answer is, go home. "Hang the storm windows,

paint the woodwork, Rake the leaves, mow the lawn, shovel the walk. Wash the car, learn to cook, scrub some floors. Repair the sink, build a boat, get a job.

"Help the minister, priest or rabbi, the Red Cross, the salvation Army. Visit the sick, assist the poor, study your lessons.

"And then when you are through — and not too tired — read a book.

"Your parents do not owe you entertainment. Your city or village does not owe you recreational facilities. The world does not owe you a living. You owe the world something. You owe it your time and energy and your talents so that no one will be at war or in poverty or sick or lonely again.

"In plain, simple words, GROW UP; quit being a cry-baby. Get out of your dream world and develop a backbone; not a wishbone, and start acting like an adult.

"You're supposed to be mature enough to accept some of the responsibility your parents have carried for years. They have nursed, protected, helped, appealed, begged, excused, tolerated and denied themselves needed comforts so that you could have every benefit. This they have done gladly, for you are their dearest treasure. But now, you have no right to expect them to bow to every whim and fancy just because selfish ego, instead of common sense, dominates your personality, thinking and requests.

"In heaven's name, grow up and go home!"

Kimberly Fischer
Age 12

Kids Editorial

By Katie Lowell

Seatbelts save lives, but for some strange reason people decide not to wear them. Perhaps this is because they just don't care. Or is it because they just forget? Should it be law to wear your seatbelt? Or should it be choice? This is a question many people debate about.

In Michigan wearing a seatbelt is the law. If it wasn't, would all parents strap in their little ones? All children have the right to be protected. Children are pretty defense-

less. They depend on the adults to tell them how to go about doing things.

For some people, it seems as though wearing a seatbelt is uncomfortable. It seems as though others just don't care. They don't think that they could or would get into an accident. Maybe they believe, as an American citizen; that they have the right to decide for themselves whether they want their seatbelts worn.

As I've grown up, I've seen evidence that seatbelts do save lives. I've found this in newspaper articles and on the television. Cars roll over every day and the survivors are usually the ones who wore a seatbelt. Once seatbelts become a part of your everyday life, wearing them becomes as natural as brushing your teeth.

Some people think it should be law, while others still think it should be choice. Everybody's opinion counts. The real truth of the matter is seatbelts save lives.

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MEAP test

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lenge without some kind of statewide benchmark, and the MEAP can help to place kids who move from other districts into classes where they would be comfortable.

Gourley said that the MEAP scores can also be used to foster competition among rival school districts. He said Chelsea can look to Saline or Dexter to try to improve upon their scores and teach more effectively.

One of the drawbacks to the taking tests, Gourley said, is that it cuts down on instruction time. With the MEAP, the California Achievement Test and the High School Proficiency test, students take a test nearly every year of their careers.

Gourley said that districts should have a way to measure achievement in relation to other schools, but it shouldn't hamper learning.

"Kids are faced with a barrage of tests over their high school careers," Gourley said. "It's a delicate balance of where do you draw the line with instructing and testing."

Gourley also agreed with Kotehenruther that the tests have to be taken in context of many other factors besides just the raw scores. He said socioeconomic factors, such as parents' educational level, and the amount of money



Casie Karczewski, Bill Regnier, Ariel Crum and Steven McDonald concentrate hard on the Michigan Education Assessment Program tests Tuesday. Students in grades four, five, seven and eight have been taking the tests over the course of the last three weeks.

spent per student are as important a consideration as the scores on the test.

Recently the *Detroit Free Press* did a study of MEAP scores weighted according to a range of socioeconomic factors. The newspaper determined an expected score by putting in the number of single parents in the district, unemployment and the eligibility of students for the free lunch program among others and then compared it to the actual scores the district.

In Chelsea's last round of tests, given at this time in 1997, the district received a score of

54.9. According to the *Free Press*, Chelsea's expected score was 65.3, meaning Chelsea students scored lower than would have been predicted from the newspaper's analysis.

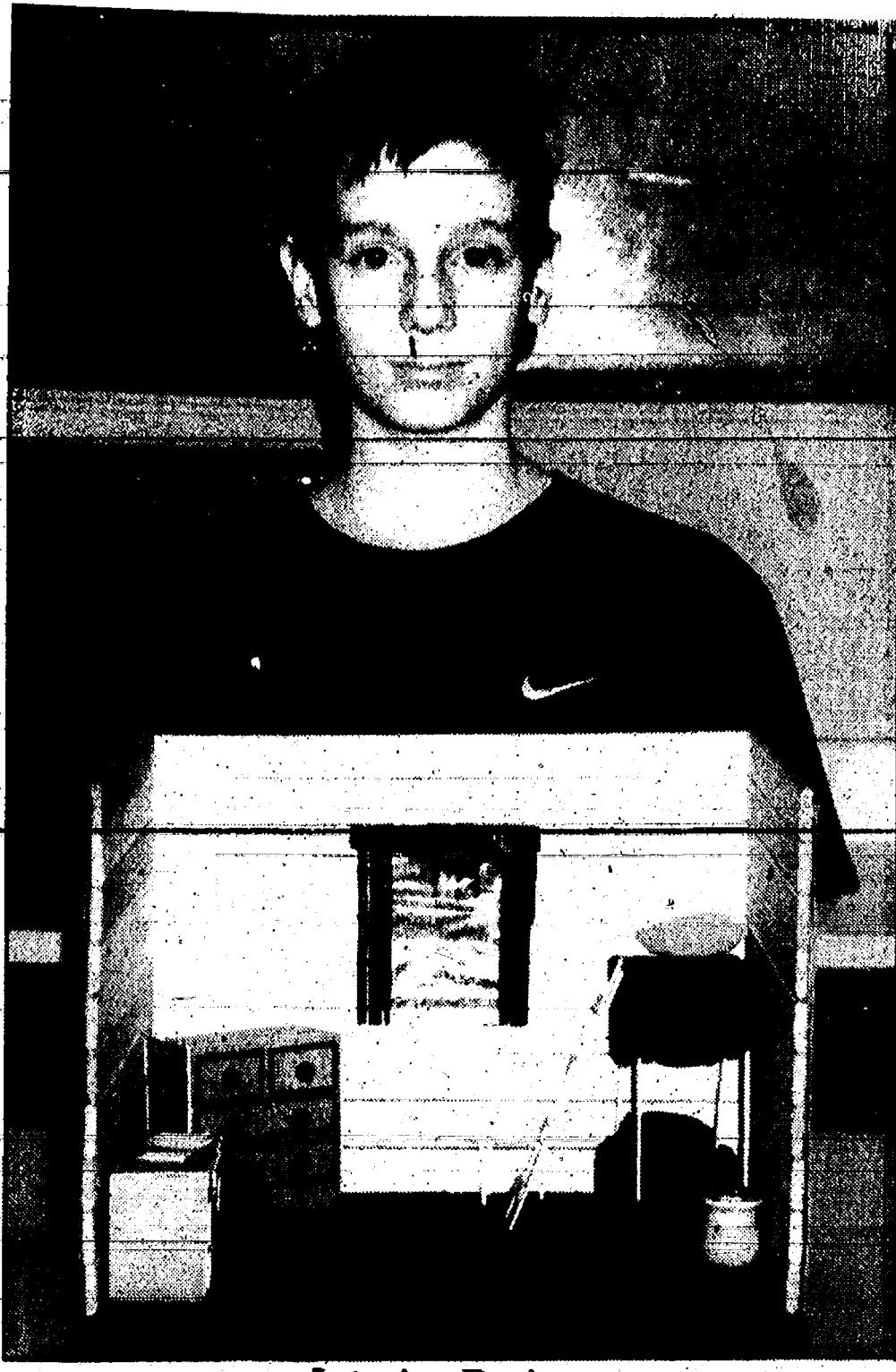
Gourley said that if all the factors are considered, and Chelsea isn't doing better than districts with lower socioeconomic advantages, it would be cause for alarm.

Above all, Gourley said, parents have the biggest impact on their children's education. He said parents can use the MEAP as a warning sign that their child may not be performing in certain areas.

Once the parents are aware, they can talk with teachers and try to help their child improve.

He said Chelsea is lucky because parents are involved in many aspects of district policy. He said parents are their children's most important teacher and he's glad to see parents taking interest in their children's education.

"The strongest impact on kids is parents," Gourley said. "We have a great staff here and the reason we have that staff is because we have great community support."



—Interior Designer—

Beach Middle School student Tim Wacke placed first in an interior decorating competition. The bedroom was displayed in Merkel Home Furnishings.

Village to receive fines for overweight trucks

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

Chelsea Village Council voted Jan. 27 to adopt an ordinance to collect fines for overweight trucks driving through the village. Like many municipalities around the county, Chelsea wanted to ensure any revenues from fines

would go to the village instead of the county or state.

Police Chief Lenard McDougall said the village would continue to pull over trucks as they always have, taking them to the state scales on I-94 for weighing. McDougall also said the Council

could consider buying a set of portable scales to weigh trucks nearby, instead of escorting a truck out to the state scales.

Chelsea resident and long-time truck driver Randy Rosentreter told the Council he objected to the adoption of the ordinance. He said many municipalities have gotten their own weighmasters and have begun pulling trucks over all over the county.

Rosentreter said that loaders try to abide by the weight limits, but often a truck will be over by a small amount. He said that being a truck driver doesn't bring in a lot of money,

and having to worry about hefty fines on small errors makes his job difficult.

"I don't know of any other industries where you get stopped in every little place," Rosentreter said. "It's quite a headache. Some people will get overzealous with it."

Tom Halsey, logistics manager for Chelsea Milling Company, said his trucking fleet has never had any problems with the weight limits, and has never been charged for an overweight truck. He said he could see the village's inten-

tion was to raise revenues and not to penalize truckers.

Halsey said the standards are pretty tight when it comes to weighing in. He said if a truck weighs in lower than the maximum limit of 80,000 pounds, the state scales will not let truckers leave until they have reduced the weight.

One problem is that trucks often weigh in originally with less-than-full gas tanks. Then when they fill up they are overweight. But he said the average trucker has no problem.

"Trucks, in the normal course of business are not overweight," he said.

Halsey wondered whether the village understood the amount of money involved in operating a weigh-in station. He said he didn't think the cost of weighing trucks would be worth the revenue gained.

McDougall said at the meeting, however, that the village was not in the business of weighing trucks. The police department would enforce the law as it was needed but not as a primary job.

Chelsea Hospital appoints Griffiths as interim CEO

Kathleen Griffiths has been appointed interim chief executive officer of Chelsea Community Hospital.

Griffiths has been chief operating officer of the hospital for 12 years. The appointment was made Jan. 27 at the hospital's board of trustees meeting.

Fred Mills, chairman of the board, said, the appointment will be effective upon the retirement of current president and CEO, Willard H. Johnson. Johnson left the position he held for the past 23 years on Jan. 30 for medical reasons.

The board appointed a search committee for a permanent replacement. Committee members are Charles Skelton, Anne Colone, Jack Wheeler, Ph.D., Dr. Frank Colligan, Dr. James Peggs, Dr. Thomas O'Brien, and Mills.

The board approved engagement of the AEGIS Group, a Novi search firm, to formalize the search process. In addition, they will work with the hospital search committee in seeking qualified candidates and establishing a time frame.

"We will take the amount of time necessary to find the appropriate person for our unique organization," Mills said. "We will seek input from the

hospital employees, physicians and the community during the search for a new president."



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Please limit information about each subject to two or three short paragraphs. All information will be subject to editing and will run when space is available. There is no charge for this service.

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Weddings, Engagements and Anniversaries



Rutz, Kells exchange vows

Michael Andrew Rutz and Kerry Suzanne Kells were married Dec. 27 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter.

The Rev. Fr. Bernard Tyler presided over the ceremony uniting the daughter of Rhonda Faith of Altura, Minn. and Clive Kells of Red Wing, Minn. with the son of Barbara and John Rutz of Ann Arbor.

Honor attendants were Lynette Bromberg of Winona, Minn., sister of the bride, and Eric Rutz of Salem, Ore., brother of the bridegroom.

Other attendants were Daniel Rutz of Ann Arbor, brother of the bridegroom; Michael Bowman of Ann Arbor; Duane

Friedly of Phillipsburg, Kan.; Sara Bromberg of Newton Centre, Mass., cousin of the bride; Kate Bromberg of Newton Centre, Mass., cousin of the bride; and Bridgit Rutz of Ann Arbor, sister of the bridegroom.

Ring bearer was Jacob Mack and flower girl was Melissa Mack, both are from Dearborn and are cousins of the bridegroom.

The couple's reception was held at St. Joseph Parish Center in Dexter. Their honeymoon was spent skiing at The Summit in Colorado. They reside in Duluth, Minn.



Winkle, Cornell exchange vows

Susanne Marie Cornell of Jackson and Joseph Thomas Winkle of Chelsea were married Nov. 30 in Chelsea.

Judge Richard Conlin presided over the ceremony. Nicki Winkle of Ypsilanti, sister of the bridegroom, served as maid of honor. Glen Watkins of Philadelphia, Pa., friend of the bridegroom, served as best man. Taylor Cornell of Jackson, daughter of the bride, was flower girl.

A dinner reception fol-

lowed the ceremony. A wedding reception and honeymoon are planned later this year.

The bride is a graduate of Hanover-Horton High School. The bridegroom graduated from Dexter High School in 1992. He is the son of Tom Winkle of Adrian and Cheri and Jon Falk of Chelsea. He is employed by Dexter Stamping Company.

The couple resides in Jackson.



LaVoie, Schittenhelm wed

Amie LaVoie and Larry Schittenhelm were married on Oct. 18 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter.

The Rev. Kenneth McDonald presided over the ceremony uniting the daughter of Rosemary and James LaVoie of Dexter with the son of Diane Schittenhelm of Jackson and Ronald Schittenhelm of Michigan Center.

Tracy Blough of Dexter and Harvey File of Jerome were the honor attendants.

Bridesmaids were Brandy Thompson of Grandville, Kim Skye of Ann Arbor and Alisa

LaVoie of Dexter. Groomsmen and ushers were Scott Schittenhelm of Jerome, Duane Schittenhelm of Michigan Center, Scott Forward of Michigan Center, Brian Forward of Grass Lake, Tyler Randall of Concord and Jeremy File of Jerome.

Ringbearer was Kyle Schittenhelm, son of the bridegroom, of Michigan Center.

The couple's reception immediately followed at St. Joseph Parish Hall. They traveled to Hawaii for a honeymoon and now reside in Jerome.

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Dexter woman named Albion College Fellow

Katie L. Snyder has been named an Albion College Fellow at Albion College for the 1997 fall semester.

To be designated a Fellow, a student must maintain a 3.7 grade point average for three consecutive on-campus semesters and successfully complete four units of credit during each of those semesters.

Snyder is a sophomore majoring in English. She is the daughter of Thomas and Lizbeth Snyder of Dexter and a graduate of Dexter High School.

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Bob and Jeanene Riemenschneider (right), and their son Robert (left) received a sales award at a recent conference for their work at Riemco Development.

Riemco Development gets sales achievement award

Bob and Jeanene Riemenschneider, and their son Robert Riemenschneider, of Riemco Development Inc., a prominent builder in the Chelsea area, recently attended the corporate marketing conference for Wausau Homes Inc. in Stevens Point, Wis.

"The annual conference focused on market trends, sales and marketing training, the introduction of new products and options and the recognition of the outstanding achievements by builders in 1997," Bob Riemenschneider said.

Riemco Development re-

ceived the company's prestigious Majestic Eagle Award for outstanding sales achievement. The awards were presented by Marvin Schuette, president and chairman of the board for Wausau Homes.

The conference featured product displays, presentations and workshops by 30 brand name suppliers. Over 25 educational workshops were conducted during the three-day conference on sales and marketing, business construction and technology topics. New home design catalogs were introduced at the conference and are now available at Riemco's office located in

Chelsea or through their home building seminars that are conducted on monthly basis.

Wausau Homes is the leading producer of custom built homes in the nation. During the conference, a number of workshops were conducted to help builders enhance their service and products available to their customers.

Riemco Development has been a local, independent builder of Wausau Homes for two years. Its offices are located at 115 South St. in Chelsea and model homes are in Wausau and Jackson counties.

Chelsea Hospital to offer health seminars

Chelsea Community Hospital Behavioral Health Services is offering "Mind and Mood," a psychotherapy group based on cognitive-behavioral principles.

Group leaders Judith Gentz, RN, CS, NP and Judy Sargent, RN, BSN will help identify the triggers and increase management of the negative thoughts that influence depression.

This six-week program meets Wednesdays, March 4 through April 8, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Chelsea Community

Hospital behavioral health services group room. Call 734-475-4030 for registration and more information.

Chelsea Community Hospital is presenting "Vegetarian Ideas" on Saturday, Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. - noon at the White Oak Center Great Room. Learn more about a meatless lifestyle with recipes, food samples and resources.

Call 734-475-4103 for registration and information.

Chelsea Community Hospi-

tal is offering Yoga on Thursdays, Feb. 19-March 26, 4:30 p.m. or 6:15 p.m. at the White Oak Center Great Room.

Participants can achieve a union of body, mind and spirit through proper breathing, stretching postures and other techniques.

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Chelsea Community Hospital "Stroke Support Group" meets Thursday, Feb. 19, at 6 p.m. at the hospital.

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Family Medicine

By John C. Wolf, D.O.
Associate Professor of Family Medicine
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Question: I have had redness on my face and went to my dermatologist. He said it was rosacea and didn't offer any help other than giving me a pamphlet that said there is treatment available. I've switched facial soap and also use Noxema, but this doesn't seem to make much difference. I'd appreciate any advice you care to offer.

Answer: Rosacea, which is also called acne rosacea, is a common skin condition that occurs more frequently with increasing age. Rosacea causes redness over the central part of the face — particularly the cheek bones and nose, but the eyes and forehead can also be involved. In addition to the general increased redness, those with rosacea often experience frequent flushing of the skin brought on by drinking hot liquids, alcohol or caffeine, or by eating spicy food.

This chronic redness and the episodes of flushing are accompanied by a condition called "telangiectasia." This tongue-twister word describes a grouping of dilated capillaries that appear somewhat like small red spider legs and are clearly visible just beneath the skin. In addition, rosacea produces acne-like blemishes.

A very characteristic feature of this condition, when it is untreated, is swelling of the oil gland structures. The medical term for this is seba-

ceous hyperplasia. It causes prominent skin pores and a thickening of the skin. If you have a mental image of W.C. Fields with this red cheeks and bulbous red nose, then you know what untreated rosacea can look like.

We don't truly understand the cause of rosacea. Some authorities suspect that it is caused by infection from one of two bacteria — Demodex folliculorum or Helicobacter pylori.

Regardless of the specific cause for the condition, effective treatment is available. Topically applied antibiotics (usually metronidazole, clindamycin or erythromycin) work well for most people.

Oral antibiotics, particularly tetracycline, may also be necessary. Unfortunately, these must be taken for a period of years to control the condition. No cure is currently available.

If your rosacea is cosmetically unacceptable, it can be treated surgically.

Laser surgery is often best. I'd recommend that you avoid food and drink that worsens your rosacea. In addition, I'd return to your dermatologist and ask for help with your skin condition.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Grosvenor Hall, Athens, Ohio 45701.

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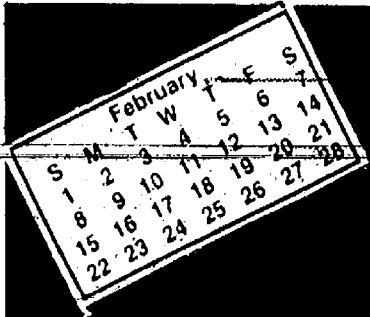
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Thursday, Feb. 12
 Lyndon Township Board meets at the township hall, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 15
 "Bones and No Bones" program at the Eddy Geology Center. Naturalist Paul McCormack will bring living examples of animals with backbones and some without. 2 p.m. Reservations and info: 475-3170.
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 Rotary Club meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.
 Lions Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:45 p.m.
McKune Memorial Library Board meeting at Faith in Action, 7:30 p.m.
 Chelsea Village Planning Commission meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 Lima Township Planning Commission meeting at Lima Township Hall, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 18
 Chelsea Zoning Board of Ap-

peals meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 5 p.m.
 Chelsea Athletic Boosters membership meeting at Chelsea High School media center, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 21
 Winter Fleece Fair at Beach Middle School. Michigan wool, mohair, angora, fleeces, yarns, grills, garments, rugs. Info: (734) 475-2306 or (734) 668-1839.
Monday, Feb. 23
 Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 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.
 Chelsea Recreation Council meets at Chelsea village offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 24
 La Leche League of Western Washtenaw County meets at First Congregational Church of Chelsea, 10 a.m. Info: (734) 475-8340.
 Rotary Club meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.
 Chelsea Village Council meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 16
 Dexter Community Schools Board of Education meets at the Copeland building, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 Kiwanis Club of Dexter meets at Shooters, 6:30 p.m.
 Dexter Garden Club meets at Dexter Historical Area Museum, 7:30 p.m. Info: Lori Arbour, 426-2372.
 Dexter Township Board meets at Dexter Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 Lima Township Planning Commission meeting at Lima Township Hall, 8 p.m.
 Webster Township Board meeting at 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 18
 Dexter Heritage Guild meets at the Dexter Museum, 1 p.m. Public is welcome.
 Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting at Cousins Heritage Inn. Discussion of April 20 Dexter school bond issue for a new high school, 7:30 a.m. Reservations and info: 426-0887.
 String Figures and Games Workshop at People's Food Co-op, Ann Arbor, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Info and registration, call Sharon (734) 769-0095.
 American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 557 meets at the American Legion Home, 8 p.m.
 Webster Township Planning Commission meeting at Webster Township Hall, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 19
 "Teaching Your Kids About Sex" presented by the Washtenaw County FEMALE Chapter, a support and advocacy group for

women who have interrupted their careers to care for children at home. Program at Genesis Foundation, Ann Arbor, 7 p.m. Info: Laura, 434-2402.
 "Men Talk About Health: A holistic discussion with Dr. Suzie Zick" at People's Food Co-op, Ann Arbor, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Registration and info, call Sharon (734) 769-0095.
Friday, Feb. 20
 Fish Fry at Old St. Patrick Church, Ann Arbor. Info: (734) 662-8141.
 "Owls - Whoos' Out There?" Slide presentation followed by a night hike to call owls at Hudson Mills Metropark, 7 p.m. Registration, info: 1-800-477-3191 or (734) 426-8211.
Saturday, Feb. 21
 "Whose Skull is That?" Program at Hudson Mills Metropark to identify animals by their skulls, teeth and bone structure, 10 a.m. Registration, info: 1-800-477-3191 or (734) 426-8211.
Monday, Feb. 23
 Dexter PTO meets in the pool lobby, 7:30 p.m. All parents invited to become actively involved.
 Dexter Village Council meeting at First of America Bank, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 24
 Kiwanis Club of Dexter meets at Shooters, 6:30 p.m.
 Dexter Parks Commission meets at First of America Bank, 7 p.m.
MISCELLANEOUS
 Chelsea Senior Nutrition Program at the Senior Center. To reserve lunch, call Arlene Larson a

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HIV/AIDS Resource Center offering free testing services in Lenawee, Livingston, Jackson and Washtenaw counties. For location and times call 572-9355.
 Dexter Jaycees are looking for young adults ages 21-39 to join their club. Meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at First of America Bank, Dexter. For more info., (734) 426-1080.
 Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O., women's educational support) chapter organizing in Chelsea. Info., Jo, 475-0542 or Ruth, 433-0528.
 Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays at First United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Info: 475-4264.
 Play-N-Chat, a home-based group for moms and children under five years old. Meets Wednesdays and Fridays. For place and times call Jackie Esch 426-3437.
 Waterloo Natural History Assoc. and State Recreation Area offers programs at the Eddy Geology Center, located on Bush Road, open 9-5 daily. A Michigan State Park Motor Vehicle Permit is required for entry, daily \$4, annual \$20. Info: (734) 475-3170.
 Parents Without Partners, support group for single parents. Youth activities, social events, discussion groups. For membership, call recording at (734) 973-1933.
 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 475-9494 or Faith in Action at 475-3305.
 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, first and third Wednesdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Info., Kearney Kirkby, 475-2868.
 Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Dexter, Tuesdays at 8 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
 Immunizations through Washtenaw County Public Health, the Multi-Service Center in Ann Arbor. Info: (734) 484-7219.
 Washtenaw County Health Dept. is offering free and low-cost

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 Dexter Family Service, contact Pat Burnett, 313-449-2149, Marian Burgett, 426-2196, Shawn Dettling, 426-4343 or Judy Wheeler, 426-2160.
 Domestic Violence Project Safe House Support Group meets every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, Behavioral Health Services building, 6:30-8 p.m. Info: 426-0369.
 Western Washtenaw Domestic Violence Drop-In Support Group meets Mondays at the Behavioral Health Building at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:30-8 p.m. For women who are or have been in an abusive relationship. Info, and 24-hour crisis line, (734) 995-5444.
 "Free mammogram and clinical breast exams" through the Washtenaw County Public Health Title XV program. Info: 484-7220.
 "Free Mammograms and Pap Tests" available for many women over 40 through Title XV Program. Info., (734) 484-7220.
 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, 426-8931 or the church, 426-8247 for information.
 Smokers Anonymous meets Tuesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Call 426-8696.
 Hospice of Washtenaw County needs volunteers for clerical support, direct patient care and spiritual bereavement support. Call Barb Wineka, 741-5777 for further information.
 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., 475-3305.
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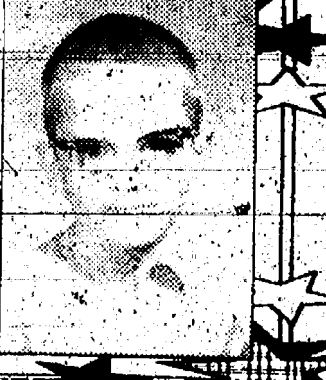
High school students from Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe, Wayne, and Washtenaw Counties will learn about colleges first hand at the Washtenaw Community College College Day Thursday, Feb. 26. College Day will be held from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the student center. For more information, contact Bradley Hoth at (734) 973-3676.

Stabenow to appear in Chelsea Tuesday


U.S. Rep. Debbie Stabenow will hold Chelsea office hours next Tuesday, Feb. 17, from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Pierce's Pastries Plus in downtown Chelsea. Stabenow will be available to meet with the public. She also plans to speak at the Rotary Club of Chelsea meeting at noon at the Common Grill.

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Ed King promoted at Farmers State Bank

Ed King has been appointed Grass Lake office manager of Farmers State Bank.

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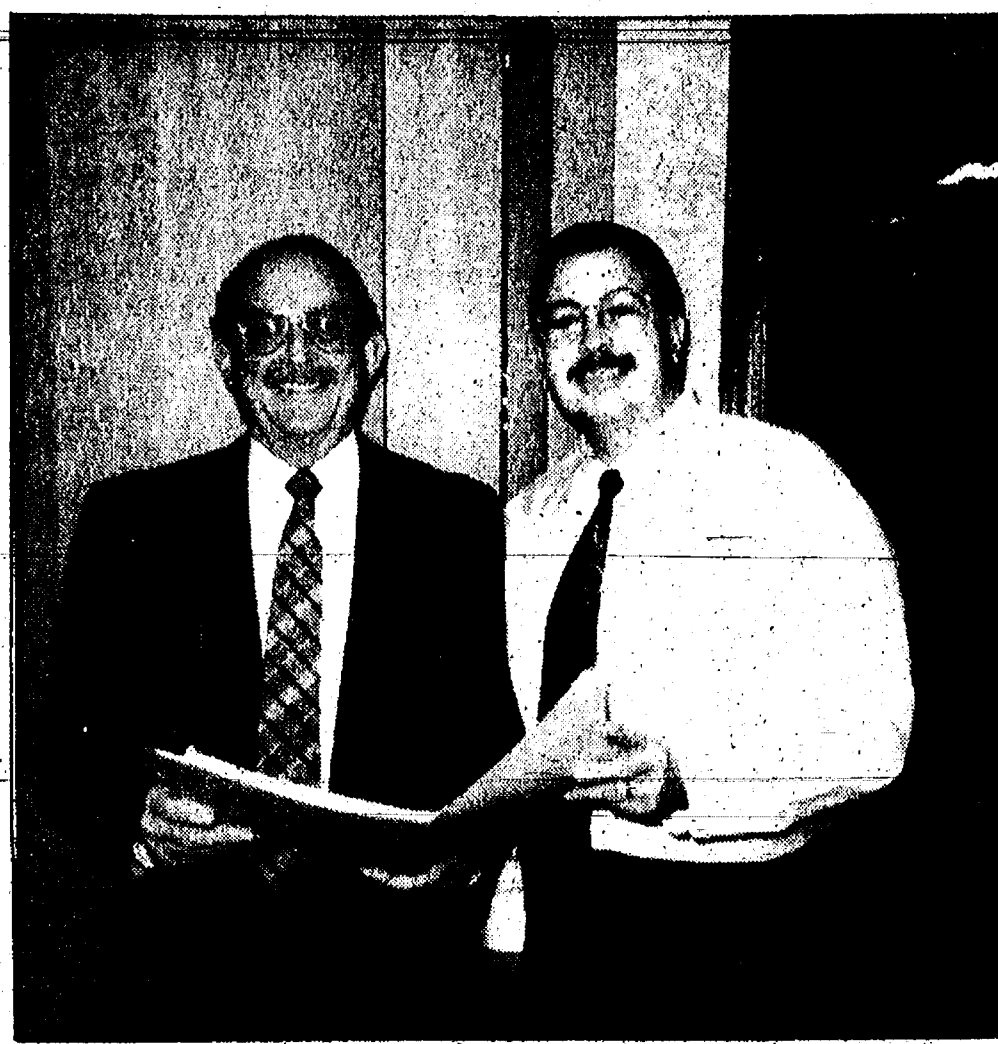
King began his banking career in 1959 with Ann Arbor Bank. In 1964, after serving two years in the U.S. Army and receiving an honorable discharge, he joined Ypsilanti Savings Bank where he worked for the next 14 years.

In 1978 he was employed by the State Savings Bank of Clinton and continued there through a merger with Manufacturers National Bank of Ann Arbor.

Immediately prior to his move to Farmers State he was a loan officer with Chelsea State Bank.

"It is a rare opportunity when we have a chance to employ someone with Ed's tenure in the industry," said Farmers State Bank President Craig Goodbeck.

"Ed brings with him such a depth of experience and level of comfort in working with customers that I am extremely excited to have him running our newest office. I rarely see such a willingness to go to bat for the customer as displayed by Ed. In fact, his customers



Ed King of Chelsea, left, was named Grass Lake branch manager for Farmers State Bank. Right is John Rood.

have a tendency to follow him when he changes locations. I'm sure the Grass Lake community will enjoy working with him."

Farmers State Bank, with offices in Grass Lake, Munith, and Stockbridge, is the only

bank headquartered in Jackson County. Founded in 1922, it is owned by approximately 200 mostly local shareholders and boasts assets of \$43 million. It is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and is an Equal Housing Lender.

Chelsea Woman's Club gets tour of retirement community's historical rooms

The Jan. 27 meeting of the Chelsea Woman's Club was held in the Town Hall at the Chelsea Retirement Community.

After the business meeting the ladies enjoyed a tour of the Esther Kim Heritage Room named for the resident who was involved in the project for 20 years.

Docent Polly Monroe led the group, starting with the entrance way which details with pictures the timeline of the history and growth of the community from 1907-1991.

The Founders Room displays portraits of the Rev. Seth Reed, administrator of the original home and the Rev. James Zaeklin, executive secretary for many years. The large cornerstone of the original "Old People's Home" residents much prefer the Chelsea Retirement Community connotation.

Monroe presided in the dining room arrangement which is furnished with antiques from the first dining room which was in the basement. Of interest, Monroe related, was that the first residents brought their own dishes and napkin rings. They were given one linen napkin a week to use. In a china cabinet several silver napkin rings gleamed. She said school children had a great time polishing them.

A Victorian-style parlor was next on the tour. A red velvet sofa was an eye catcher while a charming sewing table gave a softening touch.

Docent Bernice Fredrick, dressed in a white cotton nightgown and night-cap, was hostess of an early resident's

room. It was homey with a bookcase with books, a rocking chair, a washstand and personal pictures on the walls. A Jenny Lind bed dominated the room. At the foot was a Lone Star quilt. It was made by Rebecca Osbourne as a wedding gift for her granddaughter, Evelyn. Rebecca became a resident at the age of 92. Her daughter was admitted to nursing and soon after Evelyn and her husband came.

In the Daily Life exhibit were artifacts from the life and times of the early residents. A large wagon which was used in the original construction and later in farming and as a dray wagon for the home, was filled with some of them. One was a touch light used in night parades. The docent, Kearny Kirby, said that the Rev. Reed's wife was a suffragette and that she used it in her marches.

Another area was devoted

to a "Don't Quit Living" theme. Residents continue to use their talents in the Retirement Community or the local community as did Milly Smith. She had been a teacher and used her skills to volunteer at the North and South Elementary schools. For herself, she took up backpacking and traversed many trails, even the Grand Canyon. She was a CRC resident for 20 years.

More evidence of "Life can begin at 60" is the statue, Christ and One World, which is located on the front lawn. It was sculpted by Agnes McLean, who became interested in sculpting in her 60s and studied at the U-M. It was unveiled in 1946 and remains as a symbol of a caring community.

After the tour the ladies returned to the Town Hall and were treated to cookies by Linda Cole and sundaes ordered from the Ice Cream Parlor.

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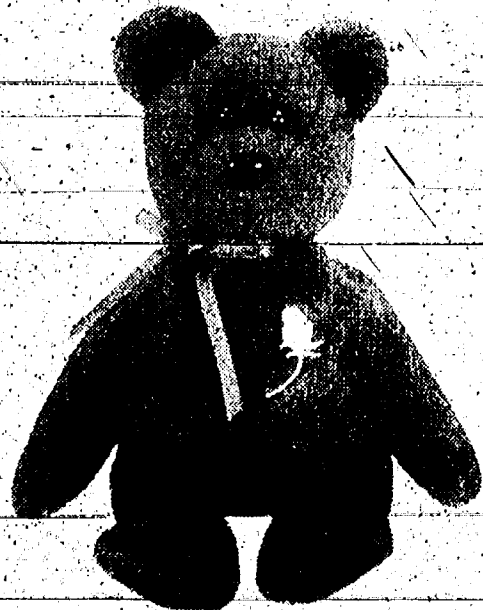
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County seeks residents to teach about credit

Washtenaw County residents who want to teach others in their community how to use credit are being sought for a new program sponsored by Michigan State University Extension Washtenaw County.

Building An Understanding Of Credit Services (BUCS) is an educational program with the goal of providing consumers with the skills to understand and use credit wisely. Working one-on-one and in small groups, the volunteer BUCS leader will cover a variety of topics such as financial management methods, basic budgeting, choosing among credit options, shopping for and acquiring credit and decision-making related to credit use. The program is designed to give learners and their families information they need to make informed decisions about their finances.

Initially, volunteer BUCS leaders will receive 12 hours of training in basic financial management. Upon successful completion of the training sessions they will be provided with materials to work with area residents who request help with basic budgeting.

"The ideal volunteer is one who has personally experienced the positive and negative aspects of using credit," said Terry Jones. "This person should also enjoy working with people from their community and want to share what they have learned."

The volunteer BUCS leader training session will begin March 2, at 6:30 p.m. and will be held at the Washtenaw County Extension office at 4133 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor. For more information about becoming a leader, contact Terry Jones at (734) 971-0079.



—Girl Scout Overnight—

Chelsea Junior Girl Scout Troop 82 spent the first overnight of the year at the home of their assistant leader, Sandra Wilkinson. The Scouts worked on various components of their badge requirements including the making and dressing of stuffed felt bears. Pictured are (from bottom) Torre Haynes, Nicole Lodewyk, Morgan Ellyson, Lizzie Wilkinson, Danielle Martinez, Tracy Steinbach, Emily Gosling, Margaux Forsch and Amy Newland. Not pictured are Lee McLaughlin, Tara Murillo and Allison White.

Pet sterilization law now in effect

New pet sterilization regulations, which are intended to reduce the surplus pet population and therefore the need to euthanize thousands of Michigan companion animals each year, went into effect on Jan. 1, announced Dan Wyant, director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA).

Changes made to state law require animal shelters to collect a cash deposit that signifies a commitment to having the dog, cat, or ferret spayed or neutered.

According to the law, an animal shelter could not permit a person to adopt a dog, cat or ferret unless that animal has either been spayed or neutered, or the person has agreed by contract to do so within four weeks of adoption or within four weeks of when the animal reaches six months of age.

"Most animal shelters euthanize over 90 percent of the dogs and cats they take in, and many of those animals are offspring of animals the shelter adopted out or picked up as strays in previous years," said Wyant.

"Dog and cat overpopulation is a serious problem leading to many animals suffering disease, injury, starvation and other miseries."

In order to track these sterilization practices, the adopter must leave a least a \$25 deposit with the shelter as verification of intent to comply with this regulation.

If the dog, cat or ferret is not neutered, according to the terms of the contract, the adopter will forfeit the deposit, unless written verification is presented from a veterinarian that the animal either died or has a medical condition that prevents alteration. If the procedure is performed in compliance with the contract, the deposit will be refunded. Forfeited money will revert to the shelter for use in pet population control education.

If the adopter fails to comply with the contract, the adopting agency may seek to have the dog, cat or ferret returned to the shelter from which it was adopted, or transferred to a veterinarian or another shelter for adoption to another person willing to comply with the alteration contract or for humane euthanization.

All animal shelters in Michigan are also required by these amendments to maintain records of dogs, cats, and ferrets received, adopted, returned to owners, or euthanized. These records must be submitted to the MDA by March 31 of the succeeding year. If a shelter fails to meet these terms, the shelter may face registration revocation or administrative fees for up to \$1,000 per violation.

For more information about pet sterilization laws and alteration contracts, please contact the MDA Animal Industry Division at 517-373-1077.

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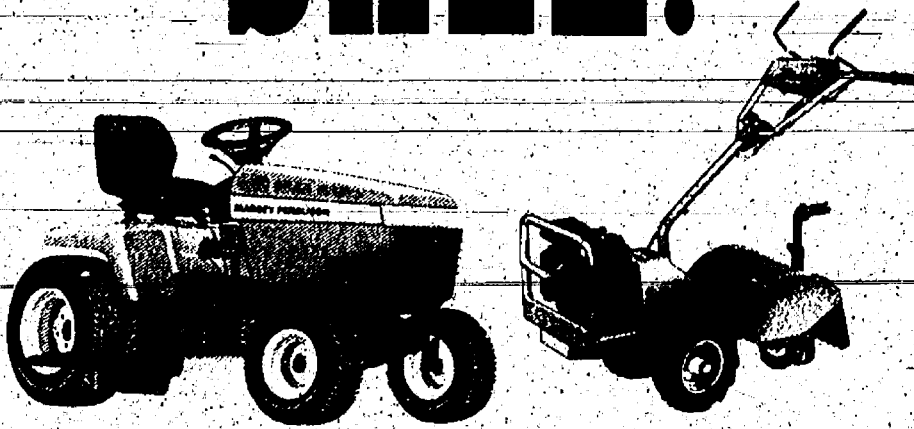
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Your Money Matters

by David Adams



As spring approaches, "For Sale" signs are sure to pop up in everyone's neighborhoods. And, with mortgage rates hitting their lowest level a few weeks ago, many people who have been considering buying their first home will be out looking within the next few months.

Yet, the excitement of buying a first home can often become discouraging by confusing mortgage terms. Before you head to your credit union or other financial institution to apply for a loan, become familiar with some common lending terms.

Here are some hints, offered by the Credit Union National Association (CUNA), to help you familiarize yourself with the language of a mortgage lender.

Application Fee: A non-refundable application fee covers the lender's costs on a loan application whether or not you end up with a mortgage. If granted a mortgage, this fee is often applied to your closing costs.

Appraisal: A mortgage is secured by the value of a house. An appraisal gives the lender assurance that the house has sufficient value to cover your mortgage request.

Credit Check: The lender will perform a credit check on you, and if you're married, your spouse, to make sure you pay your debts. You will have to explain any unfavorable information reported.

Down Payment: A larger down payment may negotiate a lower mortgage rate because of the reduced risk to the

lender, but don't tap yourself out. The initial costs of owning a home may increase your need for cash.

Escrow: Escrows are advance payments to protect the lender's security interest in your property. Say you don't pay your property taxes and the city seizes your property, or you don't buy insurance and the house burns down, the lender has no security backing the mortgage. To avoid that, the lender will require that money be placed in escrow, at closing and with each monthly payment after that, to pay for taxes and insurance. At closing, the lender may want escrow prepaid for as little as one month or as long as a year.

Monthly Payment: Many first-time home buyers are surprised that the monthly payment covers more than the mortgage. Included are the mortgage payment (principal and interest) plus property taxes and any insurance required by the lender.

Origination Fees: There are two kinds of loan origination fees: a fixed dollar or percentage of the loan amount, sometimes charged instead of application or appraisal fees, and a loan discount fee, often called "points."

Points: A point is one percent of the amount borrowed, so if you borrow \$60,000 plus two points, you actually borrow \$61,200. Generally, the lower the rate you receive, the

higher the points. In effect, points are what you pay to buy the rate you're getting.

Private Mortgage Insurance: When a borrower makes a down payment less than 20 percent of the mortgage, a lender may require private mortgage insurance (PMI). This coverage insures that if you default on your loan, the PMI company pays the lender a predetermined percentage of the mortgage balance, reducing the lender's loss. Pay attention to your equity growth, a lender may grant permission to drop PMI when you have reached 20 percent equity in your home.

Rate: There are basically two types of mortgages, fixed and adjustable. A fixed-rate mortgage has a fixed interest rate for a fixed number of years, usually from 15 to 30. An adjustable mortgage can have a rate or term that varies. **Survey:** The lender usually requires a survey detailing the legal description of the property and its orientation to the lot.

Title Search: To be sure the title is clear of old financial burdens, the lender conducts a title search.

Educating yourself about the mortgage loan process, before you apply for a mortgage, is well worth the time and effort. Buying your first home can be exciting. Taking on a new mortgage can be stressful. Reduce that stress by learning the mortgage language first.

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Gregory man named to charitable organization

Ralph S. Rumsey of Gregory, an attorney with Magill & Rumsey, P.C., in Ann Arbor, has been appointed to the steering committee for Leave A Legacy Southeast Michigan, an organization that encourages planned gifts to local charities and cultural institutions through wills, trusts, insurance policies and other methods.

Rumsey is part of the executive group that will organize and oversee the upcoming Leave A Legacy campaign in March.

"I'm delighted to be a part of this important effort to encourage people to remember a favorite non-profit organization in their wills," Rumsey said. "People in Washtenaw County traditionally are generous with donations during their lifetime, but we lag behind the rest of the country when it comes to bequests. There are so many creative ways to give to charities that most of us just need a reminder and some points on

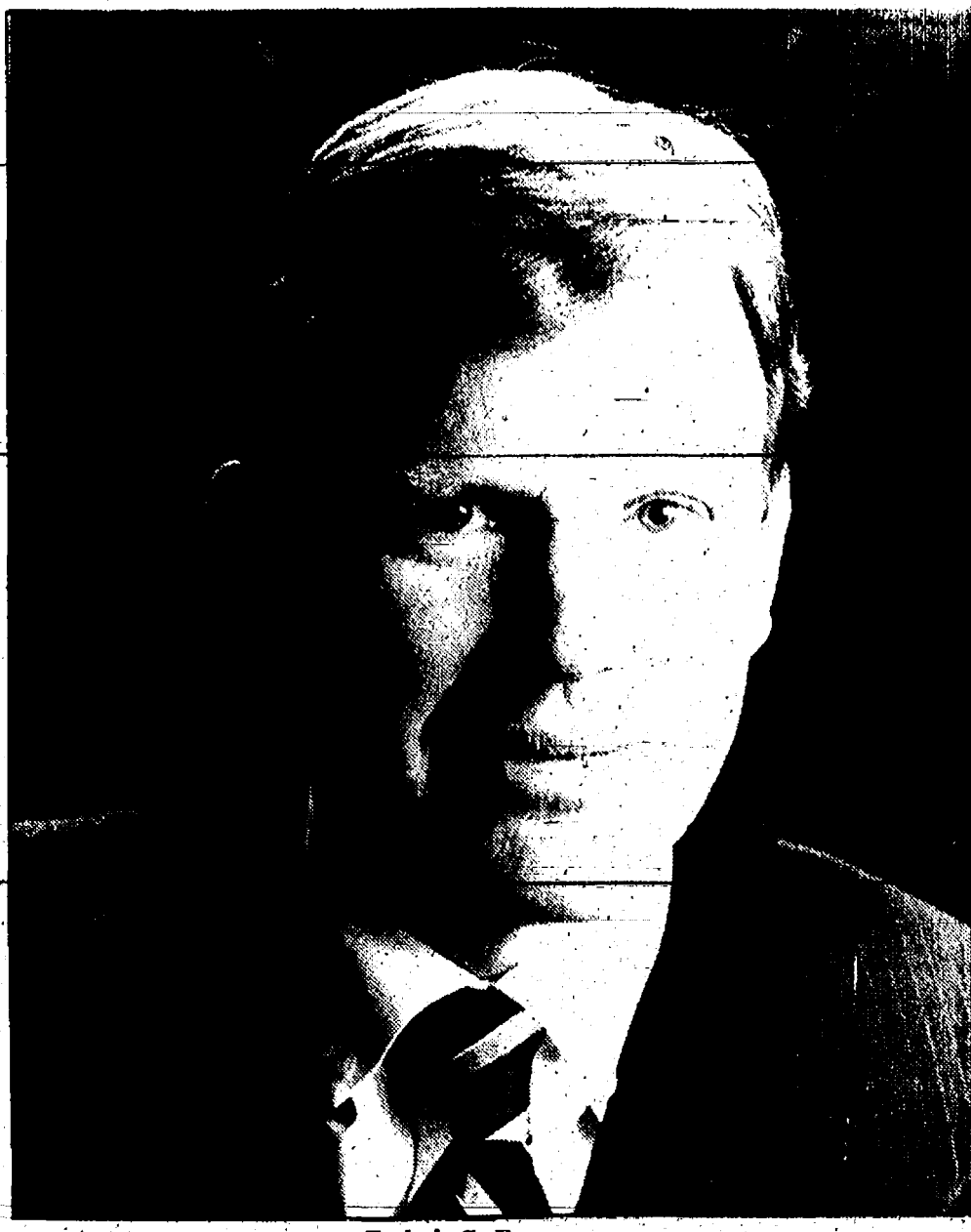
how to do it."

Rumsey is also a Dexter Township planning commissioner.

The Leave A Legacy program is sponsored by the Planned Giving Roundtable of Southeast Michigan, in cooperation with the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan. Several hundred non-profit groups from the seven-county area around Detroit are participating in the awareness effort. Local attorneys, accountants and financial planners also have volunteered to provide educational materials and advice on planned giving techniques to their clients.

The co-chairs of Leave A Legacy are J. Kay Felt, an attorney with Dykema Gossett, and John G. Fike, president of Philanthropy Solutions. Neal Shine, retired publisher of the Detroit Free Press, is the honorary chair.

Clubs, professional organizations and civic groups may schedule a Leave A Legacy speaker by calling Evelyn Ge-



Ralph S. Rumsey

ores at (248) 334-9411. Individuals wishing to volunteer or obtain more information on the program may call the Leave A Legacy office at (888) 826-7900.

Manchester resident runs for state Rep.

By Rene Lapham Collins
Saline Reporter

Manchester resident Gene DeRossett is setting his sights on the 55th district seat that will be vacated by Rep. Bev Hammerstrom when she leaves the legislature at the end of her three-term limit.

DeRossett, 52, calls himself a "people person" and pledges to "represent the people of the 55th district to the best of my ability."

"I am looking at this as a six-year commitment as a public servant for the people of the 55th district," DeRossett says in his announcement this week to enter the race.

Born in Kentucky and raised in Ypsilanti, DeRossett is a familiar face in Washtenaw County. He has been active in the Republican party, the Saline Jaycees, the Rotary Club of Saline, the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce, the Manchester Chicken Broil, and the Manchester Optimist Club. He also has been active in the Washtenaw County Home Builders Association and the Ann Arbor Board of Realtors. As a builder for more than 20 years, DeRossett prides himself on his work ethic, both in his chosen field and in his personal life.

DeRossett and Sandy, his wife of 33 years, live on Pleasant Lake in Manchester, where they are members of the Bethel United Church of Christ. The couple has two children. Their son, Alan, is in the trucking business and lives in Arizona with his wife, Angelique. Daughter Lori, a CPA and a partner in an Ann Arbor accounting firm, lives in Manchester with her husband, Bruce Lobbestael, and their two children, Emily and Eric. Both Sandy and Lori are actively involved with Gene in the campaign.

"I like people and I enjoy working with people," DeRossett says. "I believe it will take many people to help me be an effective representative. You need to listen to people to do what's best for everyone as a whole. That's what I've tried to do throughout my life, and will continue to do as a state representative."

DeRossett credits former state Rep. Margaret O'Connor with sparking his interest in the political arena.

"Fifteen years ago, Margaret spoke to the Rotary Club where she challenged us to get involved," DeRossett recalls.

Local woman makes dean's list

Ann M. Terpstra of Grass Lake has been added to the Adrian College fall semester Dean's List.

To achieve this honor, a student must maintain a 3.50 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and carry at least 12 credit hours of classes.

Terpstra, a sophomore planning a major in chemistry, is a 1996 graduate of Chelsea High School and the daughter of Paul and Cheryl Terpstra of Winters Road.

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"That motivated me to look at what kind of difference I could make."

I became involved in government through serving on the boards of the Saline Local Finance Development Authority, the Economic Development Corporation, and the Tax Increment Finance Authority.

DeRossett parlayed his experiences there to successful elections to the Washtenaw County Republican Executive Committee and as a GOP delegate for the county. He was appointed to the Building Code Appeals board and to the Agriculture Land and Open Space Task Force.

"Even so, I'm still the new kid on the block," he reflects. "I don't have all the answers, but I have a background of being able to work with people to solve problems and find solutions."

DeRossett says there are many issues with which voters are faced, including protecting youth, the environment, roads, land use, taxes, crime, education and jobs.

"I believe we also have to address the issues faced by senior citizens," DeRossett declares. "They are an excellent resource and we need to encourage their involvement." Bisected by U.S. 23, the 55th District encompasses all of Manchester, Milan, Saline and Petersburg; the townships of Sharon, Freedom, Lodi, Manchester, Bridgewater, Saline, York, and Augusta in Washtenaw County; and Milan.

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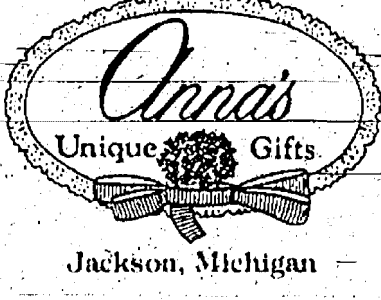
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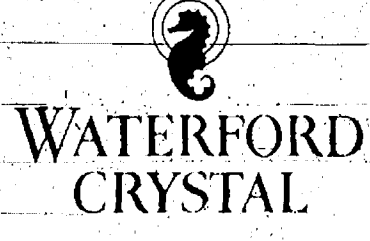
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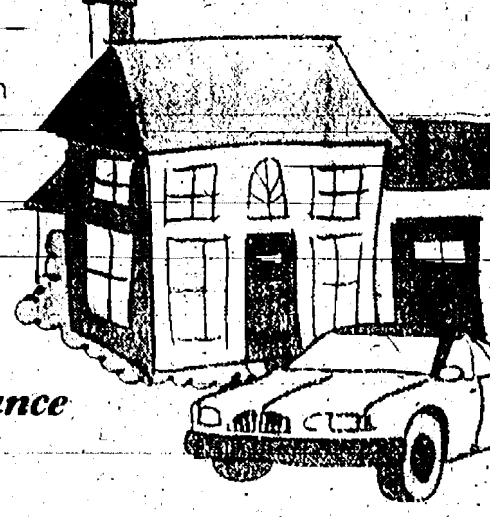
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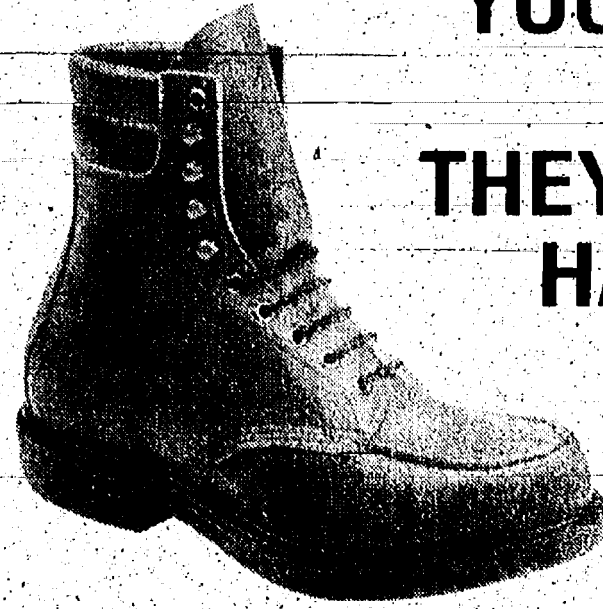
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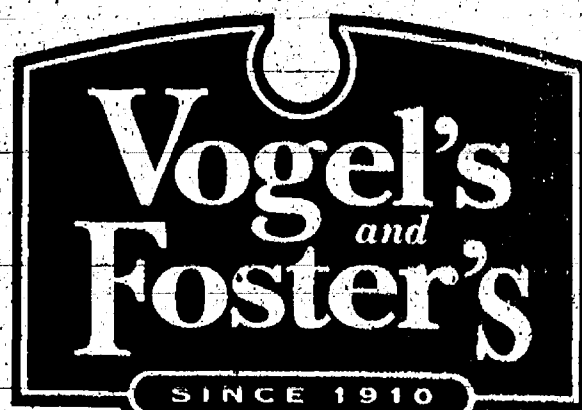
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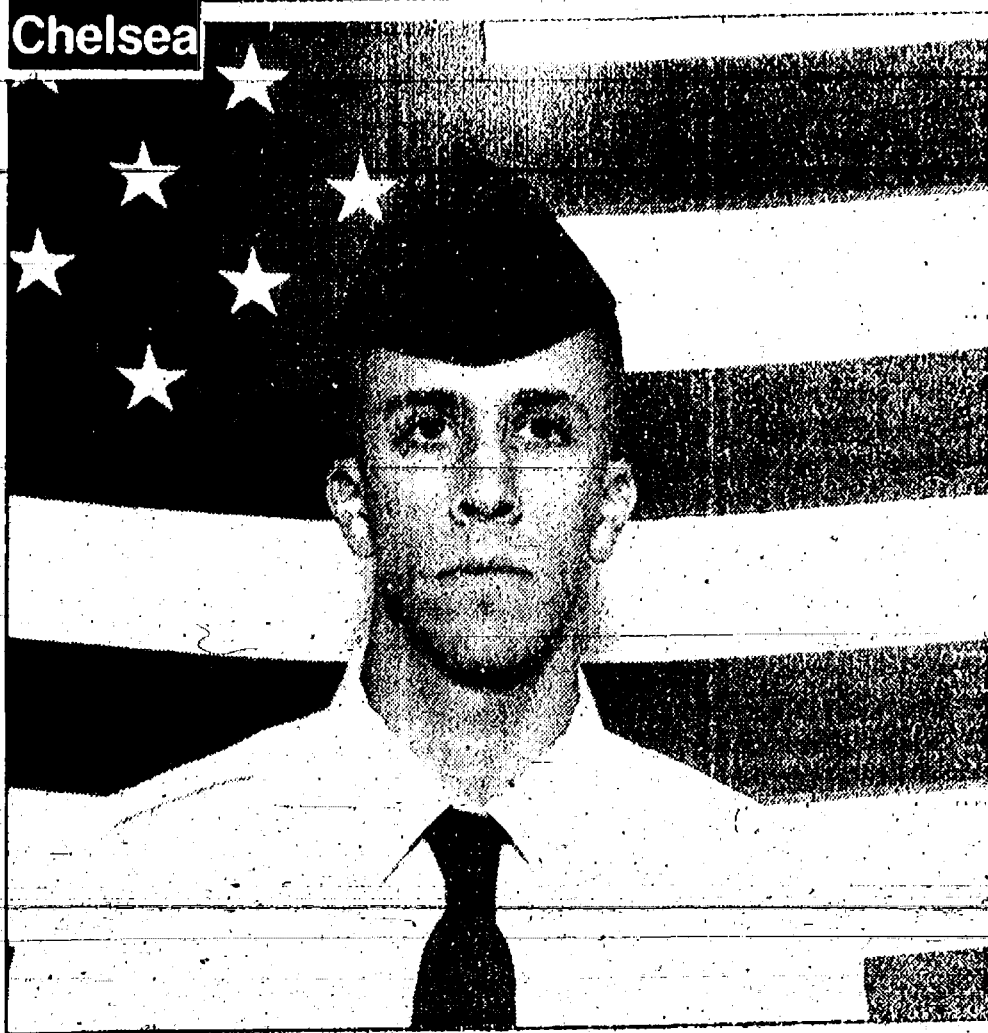
Breathers Club to meet

The Chelsea Breathers Club will meet on Saturday, Feb. 21 at 11 a.m. in the Community Hospital dining room, 775 S. Main St.

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—Up, Up and Away—

Chelsea High School graduate Karl S. Danforth has completed basic training in the Air Force at Lackland Air Force Base Nov. 14. He achieved honor graduate and the rank of Airman First Class. Currently he is in advanced training at Sheppard Air Force Base where he is the group leader of his class.

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Reviewer gives movies top marks

"Hard Rain" **Movie Review** By C.J. Nodus Heritage Newspapers. The most appealing feature of "Hard Rain" is the many levels that it works on. It is an action/adventure film, it's a thriller, it's about a bank car heist, it has great performances with complex characters, and it's a disaster film. What more could you ask for? The first thing is a better script. Having veteran and venerable Morgan Freeman sporting around in a speedboat and Stetson spouting the most obvious drivel is a bit disconcerting. On the other hand, the posturing and layers of the various characters is refreshing. At first blush, Freeman's only goal is the acquisition of \$3 million when an armored car gets stranded in the flood. As circumstances begin to get worse, other facets of his personality come to the forefront. Equally mercurial is the character of Randy Quaid as the sheriff of Huntingburg. At the outset of the film, he tries to keep the peace in the face of the rising flood waters, but once the prize of \$3 million is discovered, he becomes a whole new person. The balancing personality between the two is one of the armored car guards, played by Christian Slater. In a desperate attempt to stay alive, he hides the money and makes a run for it. Quaid's and Freeman's plans unravel as the water rises and Slater, with the help of Minnie Driver, is able to survive the pursuit and the water. In wonderful cameos are Betty White and Richard Dysart as a married couple who refuse to be evacuated for fear of looters. In a most uncharacteristic moment, Dysart has the laugh-line of the film. In most films that depict disasters, like a massive flood, the natural disaster is the antagonist. However in "Hard Rain," Freeman is the antagonist, Slater is the protagonist and the action is played out against the flood. Curiously, Slater's current stint in the L.A. County lockup has also become a source of free advertising for the film.

Perhaps this might show up as a contract clause for future movies. Despite a woefully lacking script, "Hard Rain" is a fast-paced, character driven action film — so who needs dialogue? The twists and turns are enough to sustain it with just enough explosions and electrical mishaps to keep the special effects people happy. **Rated: R** **Grade: B**

"Kundun" **Movie Review** By C.J. Nodus Heritage Newspapers. There are a number of directors who bring the horrors of war and mayhem to the big screen — but it takes a director of the stature of Martin Scorsese to capture the feeling of peace. His latest triumph is a chronicle of the life of the 14th Dalai Lama in "Kundun." Far from a preachy, boring and forgettable docu-drama about the fall of Tibet, this is a warm, insightful and thoroughly entertaining film. One of the many remarkable aspects of the movie is that it was made without professional actors. Not only does the cast not have any stars, but it consists of ordinary English speaking Tibetan people whom Scorsese and his talented casting crew scoured the world for. He assembled a marvelous company with names that include Tulu Jamyang Kunga Tenzin, Tenzin Yeshi Panchang, Gyurme Tethong and Tenzin Thuthob Tsarong. The whole feeling of serenity and compassion is portrayed in such a human way as to transcend the normal limits of film-making. Scorsese is one a handful of directors able to accurately capture that feeling. The whole sad saga of Tibet in the 20th century is the stuff of epics. When you throw into the mix the philosophy regarding the continued reincarnation of their spiritual leader, it makes for a great story. This feeling is amply demonstrated when the delegation of monks who dreamed of the existence of the new Dalai Lama finally find him and put him to a test. They assemble a collection of items owned by the previous Dalai Lama. Should the young child claim them for his own, they know he is the chosen one. The boy's youthful enthusiasm for pacifism is also shown in a wonderful scene where he tries to separate two warring beetles. This pacifistic philosophy later comes to a crashing conclusion as the Chinese invasion forces the Dalai Lama into exile, even to this day. "Kundun" is a remarkable marriage of a great story, tremendously natural and expressive performances and great direction. It is another jewel in the Hollywood crown for one of the best directors of our time, Martin Scorsese. **Rated: PG-13** **Grade: A**

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Chelsea Village

Property Damage

Police responded to Village Mobil, 1629 S. Main St., Feb. 1 at 2:37 p.m. A Chelsea woman told police a 50-year-old Chelsea man entered the car wash and hit the exit door. The woman said he was driving too fast and didn't set off the sensor that would have opened the door. The man said he entered the car wash, but it never gave him a stop light to tell him where to stop. He continued until he hit the exit door.

Civil Dispute

A 38-year-old Chelsea woman told police Feb. 5 at 2:58 p.m. that her husband, 54, called her at her home on Harrison Street, and found she had been drinking. An argument ensued, and she decided to move her things out of the apartment.

The husband returned and found her moving out. She said he kicked in the rear, but he said no physical violence happened. The man stated he was filing for divorce, and she said she would file for a restraining order against the man.

Noise Complaint

Police contacted a Chelsea man in the 200 block of Harrison Street Feb. 9 at 1:11 a.m. The man said his neighbor was playing music loudly soon before police arrived. Police contacted the neighbor, a 28-year-old Chelsea woman who said she had turned up the stereo for a brief time. Police gave her a warning.

Information Report

A 37-year-old Chelsea man, who lives on Trinkle Road, told police at 4:40 p.m. Feb. 8 that he wanted to record a possible problem with the biological mother of his adopted son. The child's grandmother told him that the mother, who lives in Tennessee, might come kidnap the child. The man wanted a report filed for information.

Dexter Township

Runaway

A 37-year-old Dexter woman told police at 8:41 p.m. Jan. 29 that she and her son, 15, had been in an argument. She tried to slap her son in their home on Gregory Road, but he blocked the blow. The son fled the house and ran away.

The woman said her son has

run away before, but on this occasion he had trouble in school, having been expelled for having a knife at school. He has friends in the area, but she is not aware of their addresses.

Sylvan Township

Vehicle Theft

A 38-year-old Chelsea man told police at 3:41 p.m. Feb. 2 that he left his car at Vogel's Party Store, 20490 M-52. The man had permission from the owner to display his car for sale. He later came by the store and noticed the car missing. He had left the vehicle unlocked so potential customers could look inside the vehicle, though he had not left keys to the car.

Lima Township

Domestic Assault

A 16-year-old Lima Township girl and her brother, 19, were in an argument. She tried to get away from her brother and fell over a chair, hurting her arm. The brother also damaged some household items. Police were called at 6 p.m. Feb. 3.

A Grass Lake woman told police at 12:46 a.m. Feb. 6 that she was at Banfield's Bar and Grill, 5510 Jackson Road, when a former boyfriend, 30, of Chelsea met her in the parking lot. He threatened her, holding a four-inch pocket knife to her throat. She left and went to Stiver's Restaurant, 11 S. Fletcher St., and he followed her. When she exited, the man took her keys and threw them across the parking lot. He then punched her two to three times in the face.

Scio Township

Violation of Injunctive Order

Police responded to a domestic assault at 9:16 a.m. Feb. 2 on Staebler Road. Upon arrival they could not find anyone, but decided to wait. A 23-year-old Scio Township man returned and police asked him what happened. He said an argument had ensued with his girlfriend but it was only verbal. He said he had taken her to the doctor's office. Police interviewed a man who called in the complaint who said the girlfriend, 18, had complained to him of the assault and he had dropped her off at an unknown location. The boyfriend had an injunctive order stating he

should not threaten, assault, beat or wound the woman.

Drunk Driving

Police responded to a crash scene at 4:07 p.m. Jan. 23 on I-94 near Jackson Road. A witness said a gold Saturn was weaving on the freeway, struck the restraining wall, cut back across the road and struck a red Ford Taurus. The Taurus flipped and rolled over.

The Saturn driver, a 38-year-old Dexter man, was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital with injuries. The Taurus driver, a 32-year-old man, and his 32-year-old passenger were uninjured. Police suspected the driver was intoxicated, though the results of a blood test were not available.

Driving While License Suspended

A 32-year-old Whitmore Lake man was stopped at 9:45 p.m. Feb. 3 at Jackson and Staebler roads for an equipment violation. The man's license came back from a computer check as suspended. He was arrested and taken to jail.

Warrant Arrest

Demond Smith, 22, was arrested at 12:30 a.m. Feb. 4 on Baker Road near I-94. Police stopped Smith for failing to signal. He was wanted on a misdemeanor bench warrant out of Michigan State Police. Smith was taken to Rawsonville, where he was turned over to the police.

Michael Alan Gillespie, 45, was arrested at 5:11 a.m. Feb. 7 on Jackson Road. Police stopped a car and he was a passenger. He was wanted on a bench warrant for an expired plate and driving with a suspended license out of Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, and a bench warrant for retail fraud out of Pittsfield Township. He was taken to jail.

Jonathan Louis Wozniak, 20, was arrested after a traffic stop at 3 a.m. Feb. 1 on Baker Road near I-94. Police stopped the car in which he was a passenger. He was wanted on a bench warrant for retail fraud out of Pittsfield Township. He was taken to jail.

Civil Situation

A 37-year-old Ann Arbor woman told police at 3:27 p.m. Feb. 4 in the 1700 block of

Wagner Road, that she was at her daughter's school when her ex-boyfriend, the child's father, arrived. He was under a non-visitation order for the girl's former school. The man said he wanted to find out where his daughter was being educated. She fled into the rear of the building, and he left.

Peeping Tom

A 26-year-old Scio Township woman told police at 4:07 p.m. Feb. 5, that her neighbor had seen a man looking in her window from the sidewalk outside her home in Scio Farms Estates, 6655 Jackson Road. The man looked in the window at least five times. Fresh footprints were found in the snow outside the neighbor's house. The man was not seen again.

Assault and Battery

Assault and battery was reported at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 6 at RPS, 296 Jackson Plaza. A 25-year-old Ypsilanti woman told police that she and a 31-year-old Flint man who was contracted to work at the business got into an argument.

She said the man spun around with the back of his hand threatening to hit her, and she shoved him backward. He then hit her several times. Another man tried to break up the fight, but he was also assaulted. Another person intervened, and the fight stopped. The suspect left the building, and the woman refused medical care.

Freedom Township

Larceny

Larceny was reported at Manchester Alternative High School, 11700 Pleasant Lake Road, Jan. 12. A teacher called the sheriff's department when a 17-year-old student admitted to stealing a compact disc from another student. However, the boy said he took it as a joke.

The teacher found the CD after she asked permission to search her students' vehicles.

A witness told police that she saw the suspect take the CD and then ask another student if he wanted it. The CD was found in that student's vehicle.

(Compiled by staff writer Eric Bowen based on reports filed with Chelsea Police and Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.)

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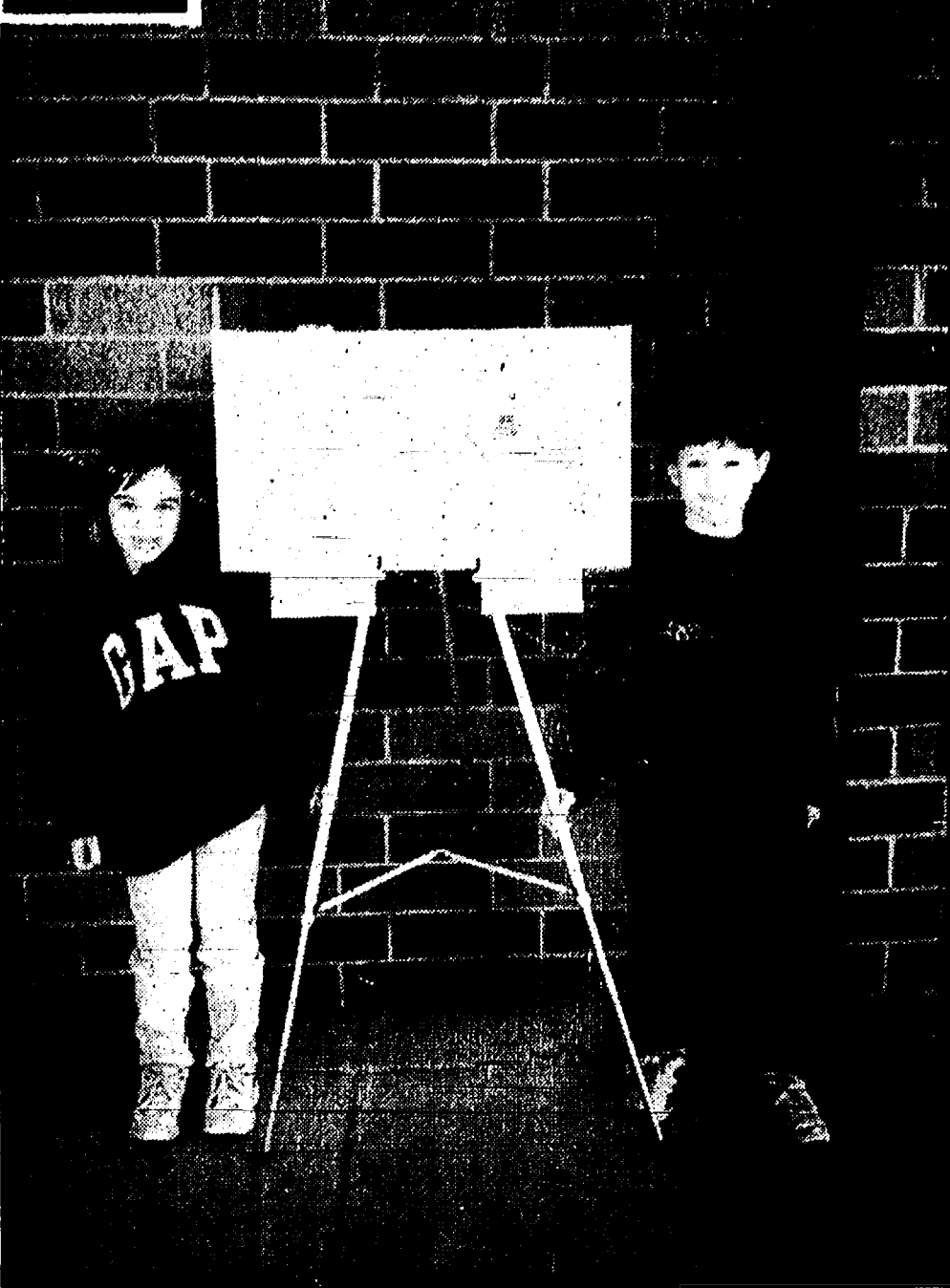


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Artists of the Week

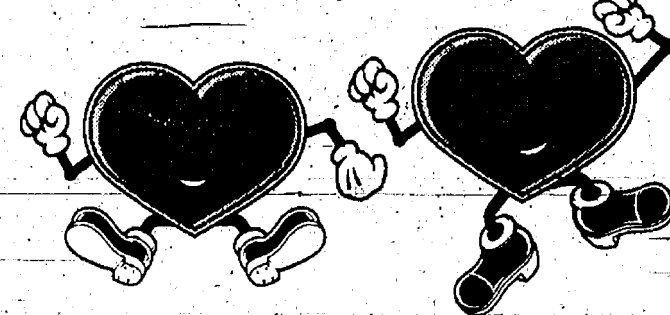
First-graders Olivia Scheffler and Kori Mitter were named Artists of the Week at Cornerstone Elementary School. They created a winter collage by tearing paper in art class. Scheffler is a student in teacher Ginger Ford's class and Miller is a student in Carl Gitleston's.

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Ledwidge wins horse contest

Dawn Ledwidge, a 1996 Dexter High School graduate, recently won the Region 13 Arabian Youth Judging contest. She was among 54 entrants.

Ledwidge traveled to Edinburgh, Ind. for the contest as a member of the Arabian Horse Association of Michigan team. She won Region 13' Champion Overall Youth Horse Judge, and placed second in performance placings and third in oral reasons. With the win, Ledwidge qualified for the U.S. Arabian National Judging Contest.

Ledwidge trained for the event for over two months with her sister, who was named 1996 Reserve U.S. National Champion in the adult judging category and Michigan State University judging team coaches.

The daughter of Beverly and Richard Ledwidge, Dawn Ledwidge is a sophomore at Washtenaw Community College, where she is studying accounting.



Dawn Ledwidge.

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—Politician Visits Bates—

Washtenaw County Commissioner Richard DeLong paid a visit to Bates Elementary School Jan. 27 as part of a third-grade unit on county government. Pictured with DeLong are students Kelsey Roberts and Mohammed Karalen. The visit was arranged for students in teachers Jill Ringlein and Katie See's classrooms.

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Other groundwater issues may be brought to the team's attention during the meeting,

which starts at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 23 in the Washtenaw County Conservation District Conference Room at 7203 Jackson Road. Anyone interested in protecting groundwater can be a team member.

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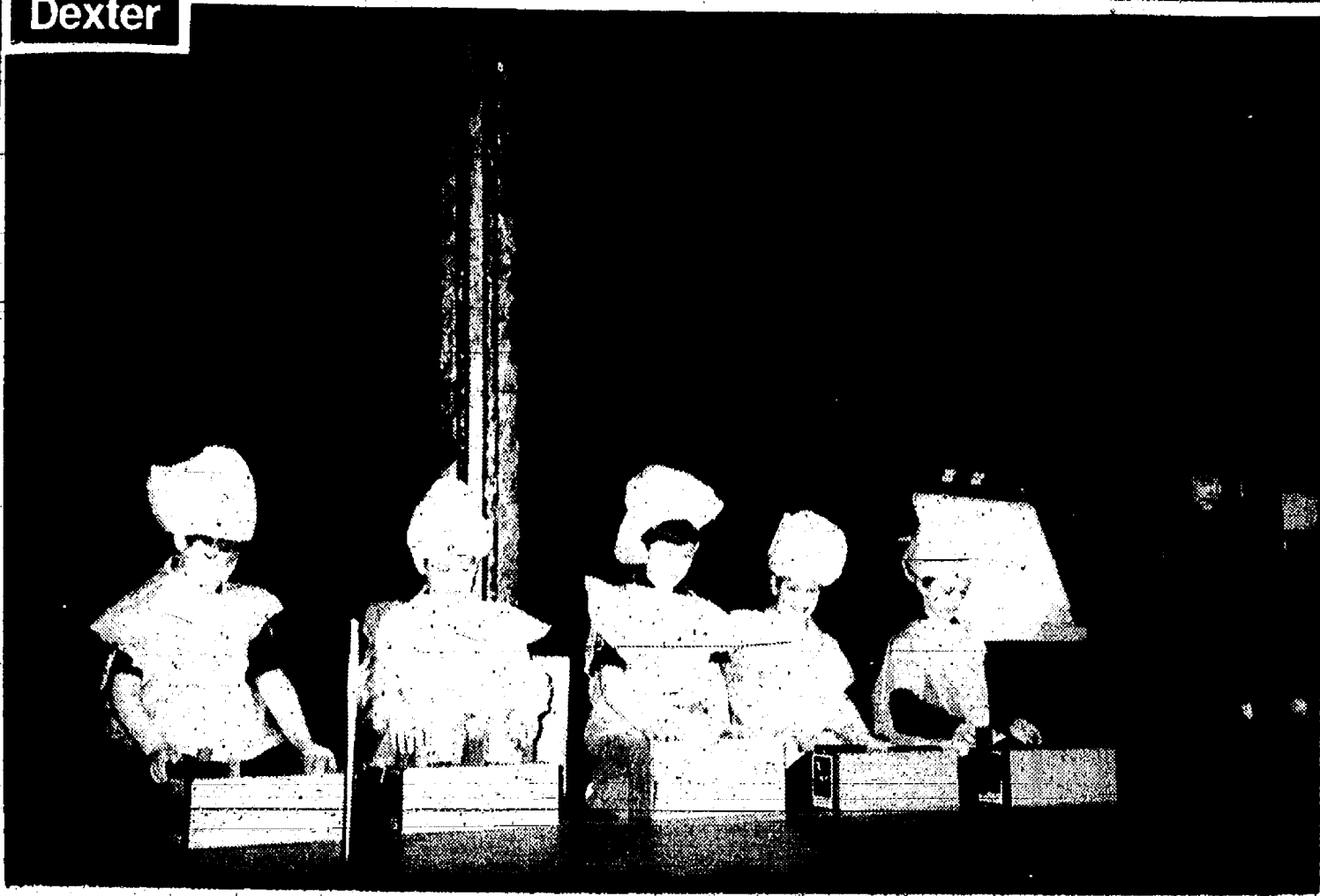
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Talent Show

Cub Scouts in Pack 448 presented a talent show to Dexter senior citizens Saturday as part of a community service project. Included in the show were musical performances, skits, songs, jokes and magic tricks performed by the scouts. Pictured reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and singing "God Bless America" are Robin Logsdon, Josh Maxwell, Danny Rion, Ronnie Harris and Clayton Parsons of Den 2. Also pictured performing a skit are Derek Ager, Michael Spiegel, Sebastian Gerstner, Cole McNabb, Mike Eberbach and Alex Kerr, all first-year Webelos in Den 5.

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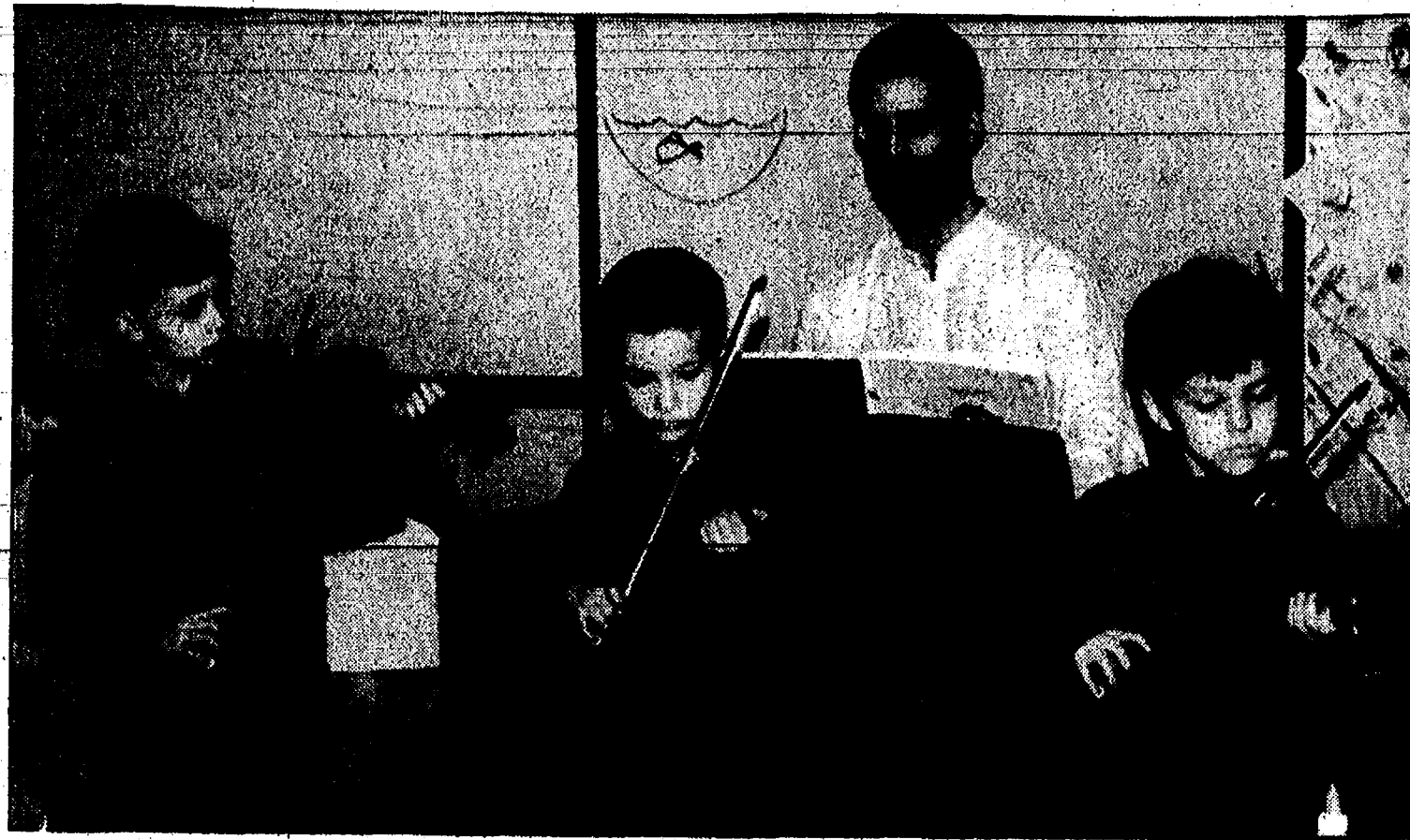
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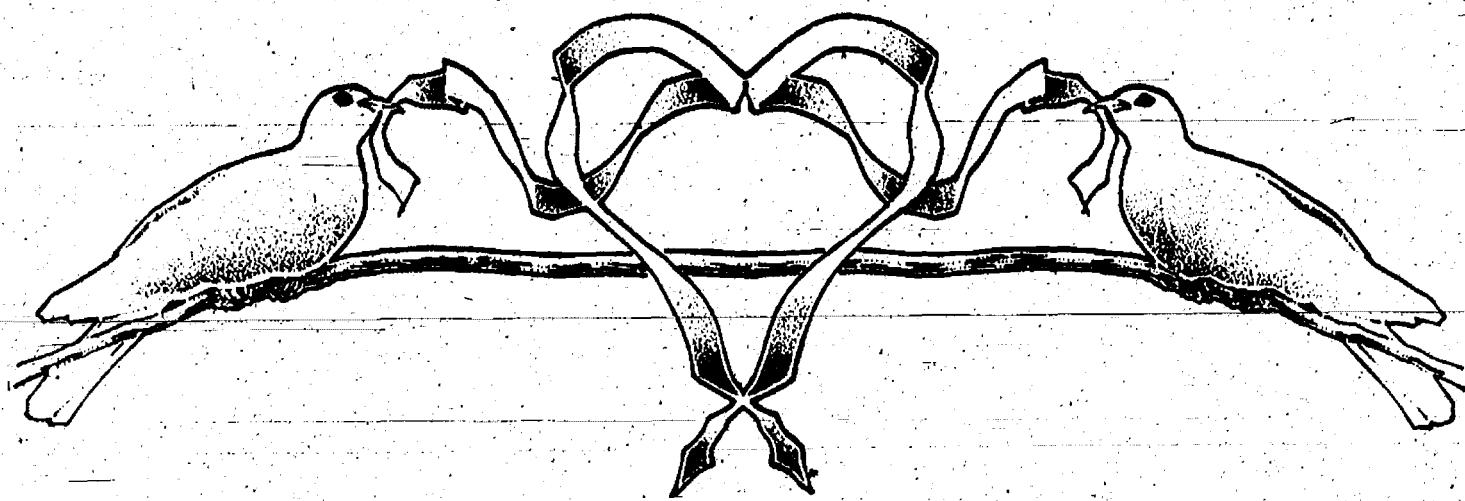
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—100 Days at Pierce Lake—

Sue Yager's first-grade class celebrated the first 100 days at Pierce Lake Elementary Jan. 30. Jake Powers, Peter Kinsley and Frederik van Reesema performed "Variations for Violin," accompanied by their teacher Nathan Peters.



Local sweethearts mark Valentine's Day

By Michelle Rogers
Associate Editor

A chemistry experiment gone awry, a zany pen-pal relationship turned love interest and a landlord who played matchmaker are among some of the odd ways six local couples were introduced years ago.

It was 1963 when Dianne and Ross Stephenson were students at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. A mishap during chemistry class caused them to get their experiments mixed up. Consequently, they struck up a conversation, which led to a date. This past June, they celebrated 32 years of marriage.

It was the late 1960s when Bobbie and Dan Hoffenbecker began corresponding as pen-pals. Bobbie got Dan's address from a friend who was writing to him. After four years of correspondence, Dan decided he wanted to meet Bobbie in person, so he drove down from the Upper Peninsula. This past August, they marked 26 years of marriage.

Elizabeth and Paul Kleinschmidt may never have gotten together if it hadn't been for her landlord, who introduced them. The couple began dating each other, and this past December marked 35 years as husband and wife.

Fran and Ed Coy met during a dance at the Pittsfield Union Grange Hall. Both admired each other's dancing style. But when Fran walked into a steel beam, the encounter was cut short. Concerned for her well-being, Ed followed Fran home. They began seeing each other, and in March, they will celebrate 38 years together.

Sharleen and Bill Eisenbeiser kept running into each other at various social events on campus. He asked her out, but sent a stand-in on their first date so he wouldn't miss a bowling tournament. When Bill finally worked up the nerve to call Sharleen back, he was lucky to catch her. Sharleen was just two hours away from moving. His second chance has led to 35 years of marriage, so far.

It was two broken relationships that brought Donna and Ned Palmer together. A military man, Ned received a Dear John letter from his sweetheart. When he returned home, Ned tried to help mend his friend's broken relationship with Donna. Instead, they started



Bobbie and Dan Hoffenbecker
Aug. 21, 1971



Dianne and Ross Stephenson
June 12, 1965



Fran and Ed Coy
March 5, 1960



Sharleen and Bill Eisenbeiser
Aug. 18, 1962

seeing each other. This past September, they marked 39 years as a married couple.

While it was love-at-first-sight for Bobbie and Dan Hoffenbecker, love was something that blossomed between Elizabeth and Paul Kleinschmidt.

"Our courtship got off to a slow start," Elizabeth recalls. "But after the fifth date, I knew he was the man I wanted to marry. We went to fairs, horse shows, dinners, the movies, for walks and worked together around the farm. Seems we pretty much liked the same things."

"It was a love that has grown over the years. And although I loved him when I married him, it was nothing like it is today."

After the Hoffenbeckers met, Bobbie says the tone of their letters changed. Her parents predicted shortly after that they would marry. But in the beginning, their courtship was rough because of the distance between them.

"There were of course letters and phone calls, and I was able to go to Marquette a couple of times and he was

able to come down to Chelsea," Bobbie says.

Then Bobbie decided to attend Northern Michigan University, which just happened to be in Dan's hometown.

Fran Coy recalls a somewhat rocky beginning with Ed. He was in college and she was still in high school.

"Ed and I dated, but not regularly for the first year or so. He was always at college and I was busy with school and friends. I got mad that I hadn't seen him enough and I went to my junior prom with someone else. Then after Ed saw my picture in the paper for Miss Saline, he called again."

"Ed kept me interested being hard to get and his great humor and crazy things we did. Like one time I biked out to the Saline airport and he picked me up with his airplane. We flew to Powlerville and landed in a field near his sister's home."

Ned Palmer says it was "saddle shoes, bobby socks and what was wearing them" that attracted him to Donna.

Ross Stephenson jokes
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Fire cost surprise for Sylvan Twp. resident

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

When Sylvan Township resident Kurt Koseck's carbon monoxide detector wailed a warning of the deadly gas in his house last November, he was alarmed. But two weeks after the fire department came out to his Cavanaugh Lake home to check it out, something even more alarming showed up — the bill.

Koseck received a statement from Sylvan Township for \$450 to cover the cost of the fire department's time spent at his house. The firefighters determined that the carbon monoxide gas had come from backing his car out of the garage, but they still charged for the run.

Koseck's story is not unusual. Chelsea Fire Department had about 140 billable runs in Sylvan Township last year, most of which were passed on to residents who received services. But Koseck said he was unaware of the charges and thinks the policy should be changed.

"The first problem is that it's not communicated to the citizens," Koseck said. "I think it's the responsibility of the township to say in order for (residents) to have fire protection we may have to raise taxes."

Koseck's bill stems from an ordinance townships surrounding Chelsea adopted effective January 1997 to allow them to charge for fire runs. According to Sylvan Township Supervisor Jerry Dresselhouse several townships agreed to charge the same for various different types of calls, such as house fires, grass fires and auto accidents.

Many of the categories have flat fees to cover costs. According to George Coash, ordinance officer for Lyndon Township, which is among the townships that charge for services, fees range from a house fire at \$300 to a car accident where the fire department has to close the road at \$2,005. But for miscellaneous items, such as Koseck's carbon monoxide call, the departments charge actual costs for the run plus an administrative fee.

The townships are billed \$50 per hour for every firefighter that responds to an emergency, according to Chelsea Fire Department Chief Dan Ellenwood. Non-emergency runs for typical problems are handled by one firefighter without charge to



Townships in the area have begun charging for calls from the fire department for emergency services. Charges for auto accidents and fires are typically covered by insurance, but some fees are not.

either the township or the resident as a community service, Ellenwood said.

The flat-fee schedule was set up by averaging the cost for services from the previous year. The townships also took into account what insurance companies will pay for a particular type of fire run.

The charges were instituted to alleviate township cost for fire department coverage, Dresselhouse said. Despite charging for services, Sylvan Township paid about \$100,000 in fire department costs last year.

More than 70 percent of calls overall are to handle auto accidents, Ellenwood said. For Sylvan Township, Dresselhouse said most of those calls come from responding to I-94, many of which are to drivers who do not live in Sylvan Township.

Dresselhouse said the Sylvan Township Board decided that with escalating costs, something needed to be done to ensure township residents do not pay for services provided to non-residents. The township decided to bill for services.

"We could not have continued to afford to pay \$100,000 out of the operating fund," Dresselhouse said. "We could have had a special assessment or voter-approved millage, but the board decided we should not raise everybody's taxes to pay for services provided, whether people see the service or not."

Originally Sylvan decided to bill only outside residents

for the auto accidents, giving taxpayers a break. But Dresselhouse said two court cases challenged the legality of charging only for non-residents, and Sylvan's ordinance was thrown out.

Despite the decision in Sylvan Township, Lima Township continues to bill only non-residents for fire department runs, according to Supervisor Gary Adams. But Ellenwood questioned whether that policy would stand up if challenged.

Some townships get around the problem by not charging at all. Dexter Township Trustee Libby Brushaber said her municipality pays for any charges received by the fire department from tax revenues.

Ellenwood said townships also have the option to charge for some services and pay for others. But, Ellenwood said, if a township charges, it has to charge everyone the same.

"The court system says everybody has to be billed equally," Ellenwood said. "If they (Lima) choose not to bill residents they can do that. But if it states in the ordinance only non-residents are billed a judge will throw that out."

Luckily for many residents, insurance companies pay for some categories of the fire calls that are billed to residents, according to Dave Rowe of Rowe Insurance Services in Chelsea. He said that the Farm Bureau Insurance that he sells will pay for any fires at houses or cars that they cover.

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Organist to give recital

Concordia College will present a guest recital by organist Don Williams of the Chelsea First United Methodist Church at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20.

The recital will be held in the Chapel of the Holy Trinity and is open to the public free of charge.

Williams will perform "Ride of the Valkyries" by Wagner as a duet with Jeffrey Blerisch and sonatas by Telemann and Robert Star for organ and trumpet with Andrew Schultzn trumpet. He will also perform "If With All Your Heart" from the Elijah by Mendelssohn with Richard Ingram as tenor soloist, along with other works by Bach and Puccini.

Don Williams lives in Ann Arbor and is a full-time music director and organist at First United Methodist Church in Chelsea. Prior to this position, he worked for Zion Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor for 35 years. He has also served as a faculty member and adjunct professor at Concordia College since 1976.

Williams received his doctorate in organ performance from the University of Michigan. Williams is an active recitalist, playing all over the United States, Europe and Canada.



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SPORTS

Lets Go Bulldogs!



Bulldogs bite Milan again

By Phil Lozen
Sports Writer

For the entire night in its Feb. 3 basketball game, Chelsea was right behind Jackson Northwest. Unfortunately, that's how the game ended with Northwest taking a hard-fought 48-43 win.

"We were right there the whole time," Chelsea coach Robin Raymond said. "They hurt us inside with second-chance points."

For one of few times this season the Bulldogs were outrebounded, 39-31, and Northwest used the edge to come up with 14 offensive rebounds, a edge that turned out

to be the difference. Raymond said his team played solid defense, but the offensive boards were too much to overcome.

Sam Compton scored 12 with five rebounds. Sean Davis also scored 12. Mike Holloway scored seven with seven boards. Drew Henson added six rebounds and Rourke Skelton five.

Chelsea was hampered inside with Matt Adams out due to an ankle injury.

The Bulldogs committed only 14 turnovers to Jackson's 20. Chelsea shot 38 percent, while Northwest was at 35 but took nine more shots. Chelsea

was 7-12 from the line and Northwest 8-9.

Friday night Chelsea won its second league game of the season, beating Milan 48-35.

Milan led 9-7 after one and the Bulldogs were up only one, 21-20 at the half.

It was more of the same in the third when the two teams took only 17 shots between them. The score was knotted at 28 heading into the final quarter.

But midway through the third, Chelsea's half-court trap was allowing several breakaway shots off of steals, and in the fourth, the Bulldogs used that to outscore Milan 20-7.

"Milan was patient in the third quarter," Raymond said. "But we owe most of this game to our trap. We definitely had the momentum heading into the fourth."

Holloway and Skelton

scored nine points apiece. Skelton added five boards and five assists. Alan Bairley scored eight, Davis six and Henson five.

Chelsea was outrebounded again 28-25 but committed nine less turnovers than Milan.

A more aggressive offensive game led to Chelsea getting to the line 29 times, a season high. The Bulldogs hit 16. Chelsea shot 42 percent to Milan's 30.

Saturday Chelsea fell to a 12-0 Milford team 59-36. Raymond said Milford played an aggressive defense that led to too many turnovers.

Davis scored nine to lead Chelsea. Ryan Hubbard added six, Skelton five and Compton four.

Chelsea 4-9 overall, 2-7 in the SEC, took on Lincoln Monday and hosts Fowlerville in a rare Thursday night game.



Photo by Doug Houk
Brian Groesser handles the ball against Jackson Northwest.

Chelsea JV cagers whip Manchester

Chelsea pounded Manchester in JV basketball action Jan. 27, beating the Flying Dutchmen 73-29.

The Bulldogs led 18-6 after one and 42-8 at the half and the rout was on.

Ethan Rendell scored 16 and Dennis Price 13. Scott Fouty added 12 with Jeff Kolodica nine.

Kolodica grabbed eight rebounds and Fouty five. Rendell dished out five assists.

Then, on Jan. 30, Saline stopped Chelsea 67-58. The Hornets led 15-13 after one and added to that lead by four at the half. Chelsea stayed

with Saline in the fourth quarter, scoring 21 points, but the Bulldogs couldn't get over the hump.

Price scored 26 in the loss. Matt Richard and Rendell added nine each and Kolodica eight with five rebounds. Richard added four assists.

"I thought we played a pretty good game, we just couldn't get closer than five points," coach Mark Scheese said.

Chelsea 4-7 overall, 2-5 in the SEC, hosted Lincoln Tuesday before Fowlerville comes to town for a rare Thursday night game.

Freshman basketball team continues unbeaten streak

Two strong second quarters allowed the Chelsea freshman cagers to remain unbeaten for the season.

Chelsea scored 24 in the second stanza against Saline and 22 against Jackson Northwest in two wins.

On Feb. 2, Saline fell 70-44. Chelsea outscored Saline 19-3 in the opening quarter before exploding in the second.

Tony Scheffler scored 20 to lead the way. Chris Brigham added eight. Three players, Chris Cooper, Randy Peace and Joel Grimm, scored seven each.

Rob Honke chipped in six,

Adam Schmid, Cory Picklesimer and Mike Radka four each and Ben Myers three.

"This was one of those games where everything was clicking for us," coach Brian Burg said. "We started the game on a 10-0 run and held Saline to 14 points at the half. We also went to the line 36 times, making 25. When we do that we'll win all of our games."

The next night Chelsea beat Jackson Northwest 66-48. The scored was tied at 16 before Chelsea's second quarter exploits opened a 38-24 lead.

Scheffler scored 20 again to lead the Bulldogs.

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SPORTS CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb 12
7th and 8th Volleyball vs. Milan, 4 p.m. A
7th and 8th Wrestling vs. Milan, 4 p.m. H
Freshmen Basketball vs. Pinckney, 4 p.m. A
Varsity/JV Basketball vs. Fowlerville, 6 p.m. H
Boys Swimming & Diving vs. Dexter, 6:30 p.m. H
V/JV 9th Volleyball vs. Pinckney, 6:30 p.m. A

Saturday, Feb. 14
Wrestling vs. SEC @ Dexter, TBA A
Co-Ed Swimming vs. MISCA INV, TBA A
Hockey vs. Saline at Ann Arbor Ice Cube, 7:20 p.m. A

Sunday, Feb. 15
Hockey vs. Lincoln, 6 p.m. H

Tuesday, Feb. 17
7th and 8th Volleyball vs. Tecumseh, 4 p.m. H
7th and 8th Wrestling vs. Tecumseh, 4 p.m. A
Boys Swimming & Diving vs. Ann Arbor Huron, 6:30 p.m. H

Wednesday, Feb. 18
Wrestling vs. MHSAA Team Districts, TBA A

Thursday, Feb. 19
7th and 8th Volleyball vs. Ypsilanti Lincoln, 4 p.m. A
V/JV 9th Volleyball vs. Milan, 6:30 p.m. A
Freshmen Basketball vs. Milan, 7 p.m. H

Friday, Feb. 20
Varsity/JV Basketball vs. Dexter, 6 p.m. H

Saturday, Feb. 21
Varsity Volleyball vs. BRAT INV, 8 a.m. A
JV Volleyball vs. Carleton Airport INV, TBA A
7th and 8th Wrestling vs. Tecumseh, TBA A

BOWLING Dogs take Indians in three sets

By Phil Lozen
Sports Writer

Chelsea opened the second half of the SEC volleyball season with a 12-15, 15-9, 15-8 win over Tecumseh.

The Bulldogs led the first game 11-3 but went on a long streak of unforced errors that allowed the Indians to sneak up and steal the win.

"Sometimes we make errors in streaks," coach Dan Montgomery said. "We made a lot of unforced errors and they came up and won."

Chelsea did a much better job focusing on the final two games as they remained tied for second with Saline behind Dexter.

Emily Arend had 13 digs and 10 kills to pace Chelsea. Kristin Ellis had eight digs, two aces and seven kills.

Jessica McVay and Emily Sterling each had seven digs. Hilary Spooner went 18-18 from the service line with an ace and had 18 assists. Amy McCalla added two aces.

Brooke Stolaski had her best night of the season with 11 kills in 22 attempts. Sarah Edmond had six kills.

Chelsea was placed into the toughest pool at the Pioneer Invite Saturday. The Bulldog's pool had two representatives in the tournament's final four.

Chelsea opened with a win over a much larger Brighton

team. Woodhaven then beat Chelsea 16-14, 15-12 and Port Huron Northern won 15-11, 15-2.

In the final game, Montgomery did a little experimenting with positions as the playoffs were out of reach.

"We had leads all day, we were right there," Montgomery said. "We just got edged out. These were some big teams

and the girls played very well. I'd rather play good teams and lose than weak teams and not get anything out of it."

Brighton went on to win the

tourney. Arend had nine kills and 14 digs and was 21-22 serving with six aces. Ellis added nine

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CHELSEA SENIOR HOUSE

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| W | L |
| Hurst Construction | 36-11 |
| Four Seasons Assoc | 37-12 |
| McCalla Feeds | 34-15 |
| Clary's Pub #4 | 28-23 |
| Hall-Moore's | 26-23 |
| Steele's Heating | 24-25 |
| Mark IV Lounge | 23-26 |
| Sprinkler Floors | 22-27 |
| Country Pub | 19-30 |
| White Pine Graphics | 18-31 |
| Village Tap | 16-33 |
| K & N Tile | 11-38 |
| High Game: Richard Lye, 227 | |
| High Series: Robert Stoler, 505 | |

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| W | L |
| Parsons | 15-13 |
| Green Ones | 14-14 |
| Good Timers | 14-14 |
| Kaglers | 14-14 |
| Strikers | 14-14 |
| Three Musketeers | 13-15 |
| Gulfer Dusters | 13-15 |
| Three Cookies | 12-16 |
| Atley Cats | 11-17 |
| Steadies | 9-19 |
| GG&B | 9-19 |
| Hij or Miss | 8-20 |
| High Game: Jo Buckingham, 195; Gerald Emery, 214 | |
| High Series: Ann Hoyer, 506; Ron Curcio, 599 | |

ANN ARBOR MACHINE

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| W | L |
| The Low Rollers | 52-4 |
| My Three Studs | 33-23 |
| Pure Luck | 26-28 |
| Unpredictables | 25-31 |
| Handicaps 'R' Us | 23-33 |
| Onyx | 22-34 |
| Ghost Team | 22-34 |
| 3 Lee's | 19-37 |
| High Game: Tony Shore, 201; Robert Yeager, 202 | |
| High Series: Toni Shore, 502; Robert Rosenberger, 572 | |

CHELSEA YOUTH MIXED

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| W | L |
| Dukes of Hazard | 88-52 |
| Bushwackers | 84-56 |
| Piggy | 83-57 |
| Fireballs | 82-58 |
| Your Mama | 79-61 |
| The Bulldogs | 79-61 |
| The Scrappers | 77-63 |
| The Bowlers | 77-63 |
| DNA | 77-64 |
| The Strikers | 73-67 |
| GYAR | 69-71 |
| M.O.M. | 69-71 |
| Dance Fever | 64-76 |
| Seminoles | 60-80 |
| Pioneer Seeds | 57-83 |
| Purple Penguins | 53-87 |
| The Strike Force | 51-89 |
| Team #1 | 39-101 |
| High Game: Beth Wade, 146; Jason Young, 199 | |
| High Series: Valisa Thompson, 366; Matt Milazzo, 523 | |

IRL CITY MIXED

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| W | L |
| M.T.F. | 31-11 |
| Thunder Rolls | 24-16 |
| Royal Stars | 24-18 |
| Oops | 23-19 |
| The Master Hands | 22-20 |
| Wolverine Food & Spirits | 20-22 |
| Hamilton Building | 20-22 |
| J-D Sales | 17-25 |
| Chelsea Lanes | 17-25 |
| RLM Trucking | 12-30 |
| High Game: Kathy Miller, 197; Tim Schulze & Dave Baker, 216 | |
| High Series: Kathy Miller, 542; Tim Schulze, 577 | |

CHELSEA LANES MIXED

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| W | L |
| The Go Girls | 30-19 |
| Bleeders | 29-20 |
| Double Trouble | 26-23 |
| S.T.D. | 26-23 |
| T-N-T | 25-24 |
| Looney Toons | 25-24 |
| Pinbusters | 24-25 |
| Lima Beans | 23-29 |
| Double E | 22-27 |
| No Chance | 21-28 |
| Sudsluckers | 20-29 |
| High Game: Tami McDougal, 179; Tim Loucks, 226 | |
| High Series: Tami McDougal, 443; Tim Loucks, 560 | |

CHELSEA REALTY LEAGUE

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| W | L |
| Fore-Closure | 92-68 |
| The Acres | 81-80 |
| F.S.B.O. | 81-80 |
| Quit Claim | 79-82 |
| All Most | 77-84 |
| Be Bad | 66-85 |
| High Game: Andy Patt, 199 | |
| High Series: Judy Heinen, 469 | |

JUNIOR HOUSE

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| W | L |
| A Purple Rose Florist | 35-7 |
| Clary's Pub | 28-14 |
| Wolverine | 28-14 |
| Mark IV Lounge | 26-16 |
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| Jilly Mix | 20-22 |
| 3D Sales & Service | 17-25 |
| Chelsea Glass | 16-26 |
| Robert's Paint & Body | 14-28 |
| JENEX | 14-28 |
| Vogel's Party Store | 12-30 |
| Norm's Body Shop | 6-36 |
| High Game: T. Loucks, 254 | |
| High Series: D Collins, 656 | |

LEISURE TIME

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| W | L |
| Mafis | 51-29 |
| Early Birds | 42-38 |
| Nol Yels | 40-40 |
| Doves | 38.5-41.5 |
| Sweetrollers | 36-44 |
| Late Ones | 32.5-47.5 |
| High Game: Ginny Wheaton, 269 | |
| High Series: Ginny Wheaton, 560 | |

TOWN CLUB

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| W | L |
| Republic Bank | 38.5-10.5 |
| Bristle Farms | 31-18 |
| Dault Construction | 22.5-26.5 |
| Wild Hare Five | 20-29 |
| Chelsea A & W | 19-30 |
| Fielder Painting | 16-33 |
| High Game: Donna Dault, 194 | |
| High Series: Dawn Foster, 915 | |

SENIORS FUNTIME

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|---------------|-------|
| W | L |
| Polka Dots | 23-5 |
| Happy Bowlers | 22-6 |
| C&S | 17-11 |
| Go Getters | 16-12 |
| Spare Ribs | 16-12 |

MID-MORNING MIXED

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| W | L |
| Chullo Tribe | 15-6 |
| Team #7 | 12-2 |
| Team #1 | 10-11 |
| Crystal's Team | 10-11 |
| Jodeci | 9-12 |
| Team #3 | 9-12 |
| White Flag | 6-15 |
| Team #8 | 6-8 |
| High Game: Karla Dettling, 137; Matt Milazzo, 198 | |
| High Series: Karla Dettling, 348; Matt Milazzo, 541 | |

KAHUNA MIXED

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| W | L |
| T-N-T | 50-34 |
| Wood Butchers | 49-35 |
| Chelsea Lanes | 47-36 |
| Scal | 46-37 |
| CEPECO | 45-38 |
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| 2W's | 43-41 |
| Lei It On | 43-41 |
| Blue Berry Bouncers | 42-42 |
| The Hebers | 32-52 |
| J&L | 31-53 |
| BBC's | 31-53 |
| The College Kids | 27-57 |
| Double Trouble | 18-66 |
| High Game: Annette Heber, 213; Tim Loucks, 238 | |
| High Series: J.Vicky Wurster, 513; Tim Loucks, 611 | |

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Several records fall as Dogs nip Pirates

Chelsea Bulldog swim team moved its record to 8-1 and 5-1 in the Southeastern Conference last week with a dramatic one-point victory over the Pinckney Pirates, 92-91. In the process, the Bulldogs set three pool records.

The meet began with Andy Hack, Matt Kolodica, Josh Hack and Chris Frayer winning the 200-yard medley relay. Their time of 1:58.90 was just off the pool record.

Rob Frayer won the 200-yard freestyle at 2:03.49 and Greg Cook was third at 2:16.78.

Kolodica easily won the 200-yard individual medley, stopping the clock at 2:31.56. Andy Thiel was third with a time of 2:45.55.

The first pool record came in the 50-yard freestyle as Josh Hack continued to impress the coaches. Hack won the event at 25.51.

One of the greatest improvements of the evening was in diving as Steve Basar won the one-meter diving event with a season high score of 163.40.

"Steve has been working very hard over the past week and it shows through performances like this one tonight," said coach Dave Jolly.

Chris Frayer won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:06.93 with teammate Andy Hack placing second at 1:08.61.

The second pool record fell as Josh Hack, Rob Frayer, Chris Frayer and Bobby Rohrkemper blazed their way to a win in the 200-yard freestyle relay. Their time of 1:46.64 eclipsed the old time by nearly a second.

The last pool record to fall came at the hands of Andy Hack. Hack stopped the clock in the 100-yard backstroke at 1:04.54. Jared Wacker was third in the event at 1:13.33.

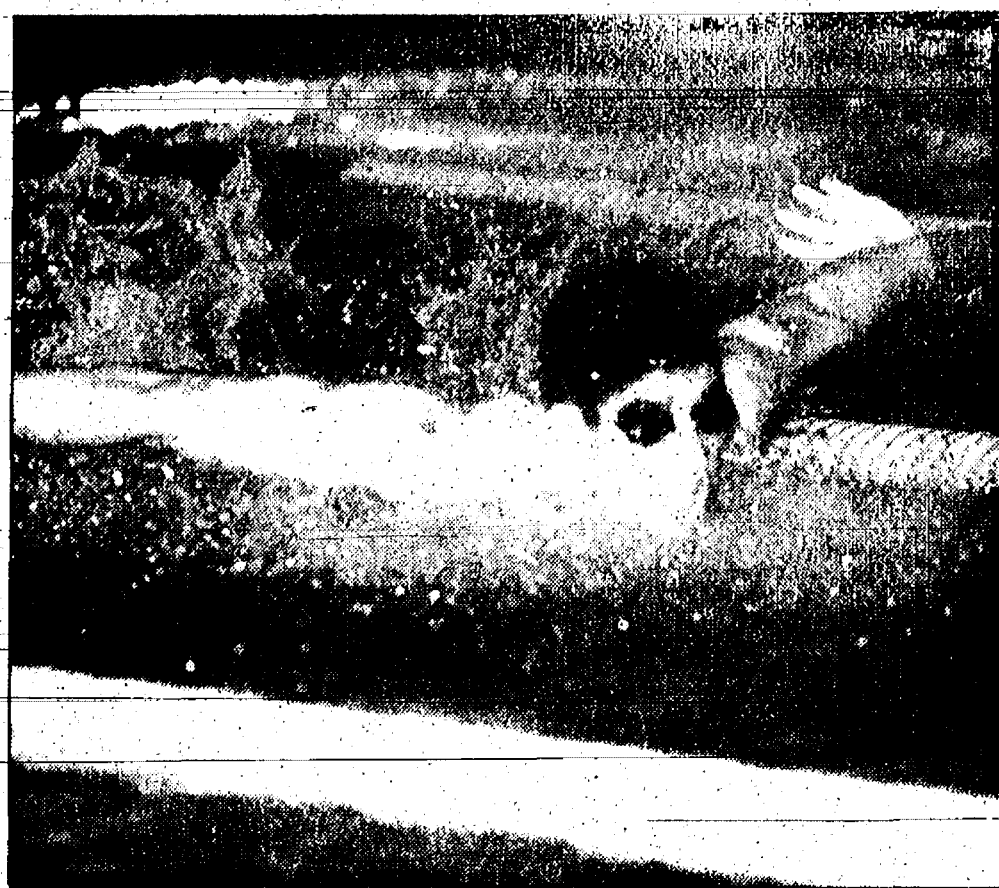
Kolodica won the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:13.02 with Jared Daniel placing fourth in the event at 1:23.35.

The meet came down to the last event. Chelsea had to score no worse than second place in the 400-yard freestyle relay. Freshman Jeff Heydlauff, Greg Cook, Wacker and sophomore Andy Thiel pulled out the victory for the Bulldogs.

"This meet was a learning process for all of us tonight. The coaches learned that they can count on the younger swimmers. The swimmers learned that everyone matters



Andy Hack, above, and Bobby Rohrkemper, below, set school records against the Pinckney Pirates.



Andy Hack, Jared Daniel, Rohrkemper, and Wacker were second in the 200-yard medley relay.

Greg Cook took fourth place in the 200-yard freestyle and third in the 500-yard freestyle. Heydlauff was ninth in the 200-yard freestyle and fourth in the 500-yard freestyle.

Andy Hack was first in the 200-yard individual medley and first in the 100-yard backstroke.

Thiel seventh in the 200-yard individual medley and fifth in the 100-yard butterfly.

Rohrkemper was fourth in the 200-yard individual medley and first in the 100-yard butterfly with a new meet record of 55.81.

Mike Offenbacher was tenth in the 50-yard freestyle and sixth in the 100-yard freestyle.

Wacker ninth in the 200-yard freestyle and fourth in the 100-yard backstroke.

Daniel fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke. Nathan Zeigler was ninth in the 500-yard freestyle.

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8th graders lose two tough matches

Beach Middle School eighth grade volleyball team dropped a tough five-game match to Saline and then lost in three games to Dexter last week.

Against Saline, Chelsea lost 13-15, 11-8, 11-2, 2-11, 6-11. Janelle Vleck had 12 kills, Kristi Tarantowski six and Susan Frederick four.

Meghan Tandy and Audrey Richardson had seven points each, Frederick six, and Cara Long, Heather Tanner and Sheresa Roberson five apiece. Long had 30 assists and Richardson had 19.

"It was a real good team effort," coach Ann Schaffner said. "I was especially pleased with the discipline shown attacking the ball 54 times in the match."

Chelsea then fell to Dexter 11-0, 11-3 11-2. Vleck and Tandy had two kills each. Richardson served up eight points. Roberson had

eight assists and Richardson had five.

"We were soundly beaten by a fine Dexter team," Schaffner said. "Our execution must improve to step up to their level."

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Seventh graders have difficult week

The seventh grade Beach Middle School volleyball team lost to Saline 11-4, 12-10, 11-3, 11-8 on Feb. 3 to fall to 1-1 on the year.

Courtney Bentley led Chelsea with six attacks and six service points. Alison Mann assisted on eight of Chelsea's kills and served 11 points; eight of them aces. Savannah Hyssong added three points.

Dexter then beat Chelsea 3-11, 11-3, 12-10, 11-2 on Feb. 5. Julia Arnold had eight at-

tacks and served 12 points. Julie Inwood, Jessica Percha and Erin Byrne each served three points.

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| U-9 Girls | Dexter Unicorns | 3 | Tom Gibbard |
| U-10 Boys | Chelsea Bulldogs | 1 | Mike Gillespie |
| U-10 Boys | Chelsea Blue | 2 | Mike Gillespie |
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Photo by Doug Houk

Ben Vogel, shown in a match earlier this year, won his match against Milan last week at 140 pounds.

Wrestlers get two SEC wins to keep hold on second place

Chelsea wrestlers maintained their hold on second place in the Southeastern Conference last week with victories over the Milan Big Reds and Tecumseh Indians.

Last night's battle with the Pinckney Pirates determined where the Bulldogs would finish heading into Saturday's league meet. In order to win the SEC, they need to finish ahead of undefeated Saline in the tournament. It's conceivable that Chelsea, Saline and Dexter could finish in a three-way tie for first.

Dexter dropped a three-point match to Saline last week. If the Dreadnaughts had won, Chelsea (4-1) and Saline would have been tied going into the tournament, assuming a Chelsea win last night.

"We never get any help from anyone," Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel said of the Dexter-Saline meet.

Chelsea beat Milan on Tuesday, 61-12, as the Bulldogs won by forfeit at 103, 112, 119, 140 and 215.

At 125, Chelsea's Nate

Keiser lost to Ben Boyce, 5-4.

Chelsea's Justin Nadolny won a 16-0 technical fall over Butch McCarty.

At 135, Jeremy Price pinned Shawna McNally in 1:01.

Freshman Ben Vogel won an 11-2 decision over Milan's Ryan Cockrum at 145.

Chelsea senior Brent Young shut out Larry Russell 9-0 at 152.

Bulldog Derek Egeler pinned Nathan Lesker in 1:28 at 160 pounds.

Kevin Bloomensaat lost 7-3 at 171 pounds to Shawn Brehmeir.

At 189 pounds, Chelsea's Dal Queenan was pinned by Aaron Van Sickle in 2:54.

At heavyweight, Chelsea's Nate Dawson pinned Chris Wagner in :35.

Chelsea won the Tecumseh meet on Thursday at Tecumseh, 43-28.

The Bulldogs won by forfeit at 193 and 125 and lost by forfeit at 160.

At 112 pounds, Chelsea's Todd Pearsall pinned Justin

Tripp in 2:24.

Keiser took a 2-0 win over John Wines at 119.

At 130, Price pinned Tecumseh's Dion Tripp in 3:04.

At 135, Chelsea's Billy Martin lost 12-4 to Mark Ferguson.

Vogel lost a 9-2 decision to Tecumseh's Steve Stoddard at 140 pounds.

At 145, Chelsea's Ben Gunderson lost a 16-0 decision to Ryan Anderson.

Young pinned Tecumseh's Vince Cox in 1:45 at 152 pounds.

At 171 pounds, Bulldog Dan Dault lost 14-6 to Adam Cox.

At 189 pounds, Bloomensaat lost a 13-2 decision to Tecumseh's Lumar Rufner.

Rick Huntington pinned Tecumseh's Chad Gittus in 3:13 at 215 pounds.

Dawson was pinned by Tecumseh's Dan DeCleerg in 4:51 at heavyweight.

The Bulldogs are still without the services of several of their first-string wrestlers, but Kargel said the second-stringers have performed well.

About the Outdoors

by Jerry D. Posey



Have you ever received a gift for Christmas, then had to anxiously wait what seemed like forever before you could make use of this gift? Well, this is what I have been doing, ever since opening the biggest present that I received on Christmas day.

After the grandkids had opened their many gifts, and the rest of the family had taken their turn, I was presented with a large, well wrapped package about four feet in length to be opened when everyone else was finished.

I must admit, the pair of snowshoes inside were not a complete surprise. After all, my family should know by now not to leave my presents where I can find them during the days preceding Christmas.

Being the sneaky type of character that I am, I had already shaken, rattled, squeezed and sniffed the package a couple of times, and had determined what the contents were. My wife had gotten tired of hearing me hint that I wished I had a pair of snowshoes. As usual, I feigned surprise and a good time was had by all, as they say in the children's books.

After waiting several weeks, I finally got a chance to try out the snowshoes on some decent snow. First there was not enough snow in the area. Then when it did start to build up nicely, I was too busy to get outside. When I did have time, the snow was crusty or ice covered and that is not the ideal condition for a person's first time on these contraptions.

After spending about four hours traipsing around in the perfect snow conditions found in the Roscommon area this past weekend, I have only one thing to say, "There's nothing like it, when are we going again?"

There are several kinds of snowshoes on the market now,

and each type has its own advantages. Mine are the old traditional wood-framed style, with the cowhide laces and the leather bindings that most people think of when someone mentions snowshoes.

Also on the market are the newer aluminum or plastic kind with their neoprene or nylon webbing and bindings, but there is something nostalgic about the old wood and rawhide type. Being a bit old-fashioned I let it be known that I preferred this type.

There are basically three types of snowshoes available in most areas. The first is the "Alaskan" type that is longer and skinnier than the other two and works well when the object is traveling fast in open country. The "Bearpaw" style is a stubby, tail-less model, that works well when the wearer is trying to maneuver in brushy hill country. Its extra width also makes it perform better in deep or crusty snow.

The type I now own are

called the "Michigan" style and despite the name, it is used all over the United States, even in places such as Alaska and Maine, where more serious snowshoeing is done.

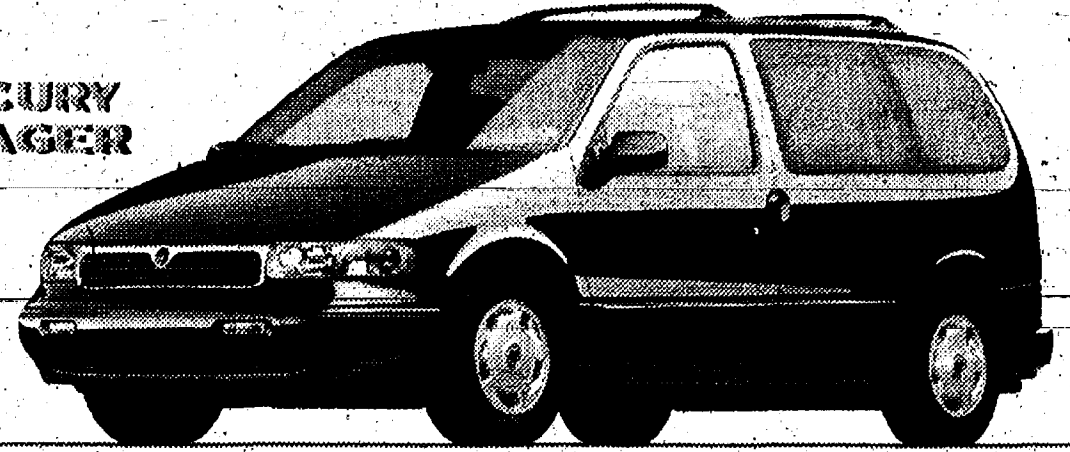
The Michigan model is similar to the Alaskan model but is wider and usually a bit shorter. The narrow tail keeps the snowshoe tracking in a straight line. It is the type preferred by most recreation snowshoe users and many of those who spend much time pursuing our famous snowshoe hares in the northern part of the state.

For our first outing, a couple of friends and I decided on a spot in the Roscommon area, where we knew we had access to land owned by the state. After a few phone calls convinced us that the snow was in good condition, we packed up for a weekend of playing in the outdoors. We had no intention of hunting or fishing, that could be done at a later date.

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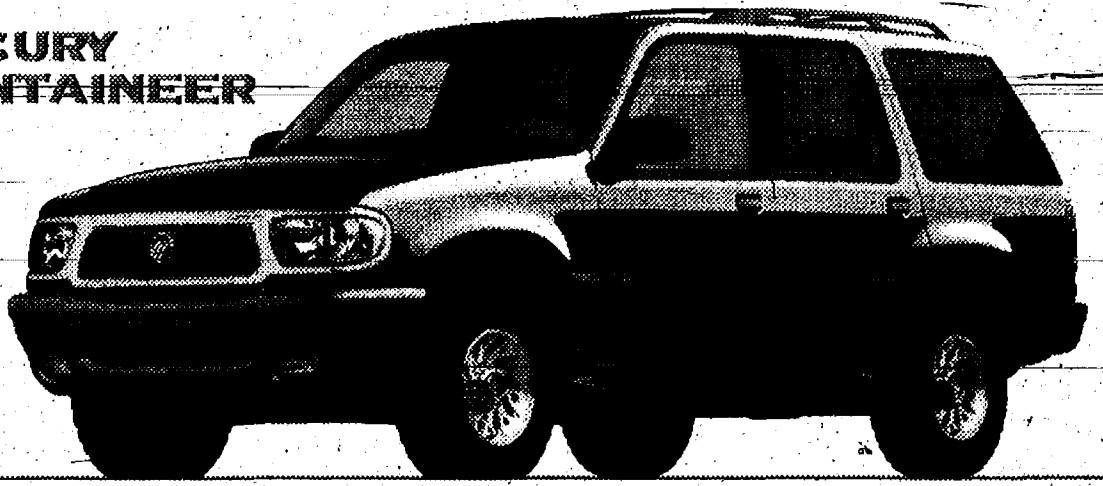
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Sandra Yee, Former Brighton District Library Board Member

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Chelsea Aquatic Club can't match depth of Dexter team

Chelsea Aquatic Club swimmers lost to a strong Dexter team recently.

Robbie Moffett had an outstanding 50-yard freestyle as he was one of only three Chelsea swimmers to win an event. Katrina Moffett and Kelly Butcher were the other two.

Meghan Minnick had a lifetime best in the 50-yard freestyle. Zach Christman and Kelsey Hanson also chalked up lifetime bests in the 50 freestyle. Evan Mathis had an impressive 25-yard freestyle, as did Ayla Detroyer, and Alise Augustine had a fine split on the freestyle relay.

Following are swim times and places by events for the Chelsea swimmers:

Medley Relay
8 and under boys (100 yds.): 2. Ian Hughes, Trevor Hughes, Adam Connell, Robbie Pagliarini, 1:41.40.
8 and under girls (100 yds.): 2. Cassie Vachon, Kaitlin Spensley, Christine Kelley, Ayla Detroyer, 1:29.41; 4. Amber Hubbard, Katie Howe, Anne Thiel, Anne Emmerling, 1:49.51.
9-10 boys (200 yds.): 2. Nate Christman, Daniel Augustine, Christopher Moyle, Robbie Moffett, 2:53.30; NS. Doug

Kueker, Nick Armstrong, John Maynard, Cody Shiller, 3:15.14.
9-10 girls (200 yds.): 2. Kellyn Pagliarini, Kara Stiles, Kat Fitzgerald, Kelly Butcher, 2:45.36; 4. April Adams, Anne Seelbach, Jessica Lodewyk, Chrissy Widmayer, 3:00.02; 6. Anna Drow, Katie Hill, Nicole Lodewyk, Julie Kueker, 3:34.29; 7. Heather Neff, Tracy Steinbach, Samantha Spensley, Hannah Myers, 3:35.41.
11-12 boys (200 yds.): 2. Ryan Kelley, Aaron Connell, Alex Wilson, Andy Kellogg, 2:36.45.
11-12 girls (200 yds.): 2. Laura Adams, Meghan Minnick, Katrina Moffett, Kim Vachon, 2:17.27; 4. Danielle McClelland, Hayley Marzec, Katie Widmayer, Caitlin Dark, 3:13.94; NS. Kelsey Hanson, Lindsey Cook, Liz Rohrkemper, Erin McLaughlin, 2:42.81.

Freestyle
8-and-under boys (25 yds.): 2. Adam Connell, 16.59; 6. Evan Mathis, 22.10; 7. Ian Hughes, 22.72; 8. Robbie Pagliarini, 22.92; 9. Ben Wolpoff, 24.85.
8-and-under girls (25 yds.): 2. Alice Butcher, 16.65; 4. Christine Kelley, 18.31; 5. Ayla Detroyer, 18.78; 7. Amber Hubbard, 19.09; 9. Anne Thiel, 21.97; 10. Erin Alber, 28.85.
9-10 boys (50 yds.): 1. Robbie Moffett, 33.92; 3. Daniel Augustine, 36.12; 4. Christopher Moyle, 35.74; 5. Nate Christman, 39.10; 9. John Maynard, 44.70; 10. Jordan Skidmore, 54.12; 11. Benji Kellogg, 54.48.
9-10 girls (50 yds.): 1. Kelly Butcher, 32.97; 3. K. Stiles, 33.12; 6. Kat Fitzgerald, 36.49; 7. Anne Seelbach, 37.15; 8. Samantha Spensley, 41.60; 9. Anna Drow, 48.85.
11-12 boys (50 yds.): 3. Alex Wilson, 32.41; 4. Aaron Connell, 32.96; 6. Ryan Kelley, 35.59; 8. Matt Kellogg, 36.70; 9. Nathan Skidmore, 42.23; 10. Ian Galvin, 46.15; 11. Andy Kellogg, 47.44.
11-12 girls (50 yds.): 1. Katrina Moffett, 28.42; 3. Kim Vachon, 30.03; 5. Alise Augustine, 31.26; 8. Meghan Minnick, 31.79.
13-14 boys (50 yds.): 4. Zach Christman, 28.40; 5. Mike Wilson, 29.97; 5. Jason Crouch, 40.28.
13-14 girls (50 yds.): 3. Jennifer Minnick, 28.29; 5. Alexis Jolly, 28.88; 7. Mary Paul, 33.17.

Backstroke
8-and-under boys (25 yds.): 3. Adam Connell, 20.87; 5. Trevor Hughes, 25.39; 6. Ben Wolpoff, 28.40; 8. Evan Mathis, 30.64.
8-and-under girls (25 yds.): 3. Cassie Vachon, 20.36; 4. Alice Butcher, 21.96; 7. Amber Hubbard, 24.04; 8. Anna Emmerling, 25.26; 9. Anne Thiel, 25.97; 10. Kaitlin Spensley, 27.00; 11. Katie Howe, 28.21; 12. Erin Alber, 31.92.
9-10 boys (50 yds.): 4. Daniel Augustine, 42.12; 5. Robbie Moffett, 43.04; 6. Doug Kueker, 45.97; 7. Nick Armstrong, 46.47; 9. Nate Christman, 47.87; 10. Cody Shiller, 50.22; 11. Jordan Skidmore, 59.73; 12. Benji Kellogg, 1:00.84.
9-10 girls (50 yds.): 3. Kellyn Pagliarini, 41.54; 4. April Adams, 42.16; 6. Jessica Lodewyk, 43.45; 8. Julie Kueker, 47.52; 9. Chrissy Widmayer, 50.23; 10. Hannah Myers, 51.87; 11. Katie Hill, 53.18; 12. Heather Neff, 54.02; 13. Tracy Steinbach, 54.22; 14. Nicole Lodewyk, 54.25.
11-12 boys (50 yds.): 2. Alex Wilson, 38.63; 5. Aaron Connell, 40.62; 7. Ryan Kelley, 44.04; 8. Matt Kellogg, 44.71; 9. Ian Galvin, 50.59; 10. Nathan Skidmore, 1:01.11.
11-12 girls (50 yds.): 2. Katrina Moffett, 34.77; 3. Laura Adams, 35.28; 7. Alise Augustine, 38.30; 8. Kelsey Hanson, 38.36; 9. Liz Rohrkemper, 39.98; 10. Caitlin

Dark, 49.01; 11. Danielle McClelland, 49.99; 12. Hayley Marzec, 50.80; 13. Katie Widmayer, 51.61; 14. Erin McLaughlin, 52.40.
13-14 boys (100 yds.): 2. Mike Wilson, 1:15.40; 5. Zach Christman, 1:18.35; 7. Jason Crouch, 1:59.26.
13-14 girls (100 yds.): 1. Alexis Jolly, 1:11.98; 4. Jennifer Minnick, 1:16.96; 7. Mary Paul, 1:22.26.

Freestyle Relay
8-and-under boys (100 yds.): 3. Trevor Hughes, Ben Wolpoff, Evan Mathis, Robbie Pagliarini, 1:33.55.
8-and-under girls (100 yds.): 2. Christine Kelley, Cassie Vachon, Ayla Detroyer, Alice Butcher, 1:14.84.
9-10 boys (200 yds.): 3. Doug Kueker, Cody Shiller, John Maynard, Christopher Moyle, 2:40.30.
9-10 girls (200 yds.): 2. Kat Fitzgerald, April Adams, Kelly Butcher, Kara Stiles, 2:21.82; 3. Chrissy Widmayer, Anne Seelbach, Kellyn Pagliarini, Jessica Lodewyk, 2:34.19.
11-12 boys (200 yds.): 3. Andy Kellogg, Ian Galvin, Nathan Skidmore, Matt Kellogg, 3:01.36.
11-12 girls (200 yds.): 2. Kim Vachon, Alise Augustine, Lindsey Cook, Laura Adams, 2:06.04.

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VILLAGE OF CHELSEA VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMIT AND MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ORDINANCE NO. 125

An Ordinance for the protection of the public health, safety and general welfare under the authority of MCLA 257 726 and the Public Act 248 of the Public Acts of 1945 as amended, regulating the wheel and axle loads and gross weight of certain vehicles, regulating the operation of motor trucks, tractors and trailers within the Village of Chelsea, Washtenaw County, Michigan, adopting certain sections of the Michigan Vehicle Code, being MCLA 257 1 et seq., as amended, and the Motor Carrier Safety Act, being Act 181 of 1953, as amended, providing for enforcement and penalties for violations and for repeal of other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

Notice is given that the aforementioned Ordinance No. 125, "Vehicle Weight Limit and Motor Carrier Safety Ordinance" was adopted by the Chelsea Village Council at a regular meeting held on January 27, 1998 and will become effective 30 days after the date of this publication. A copy of the Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Chelsea Village Offices, 104 E. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan, during regular business hours, except for legal holidays.

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA
Suzanne C. Morrison, Village Clerk

WEBSER TOWNSHIP

Webster Township Board Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Sup. Fisher. Present: Fisher, Baldus, Keogh, Kleinschmidt, Zoning Insp. Jim Ross, Planning Commission, Chairman and eight residents.

Motion Kleinschmidt support Keogh and carried to approve agenda as presented.

Supervisors remarks were read.

Motion Kleinschmidt support Keogh to appoint Karl Fink as Interim Trustee until the November 1998 election. Carried. Karl Fink then took the Oath of Office.

Dec. 16, 1997 minutes were read and approved by motion Kleinschmidt support, Keogh and carried.

Planning: Chr. John Kingsley reported on the Dec. Planning Comm. Public Hearing and regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:
Motion Baldus support Kleinschmidt to extend Multi Cable Franchise thirty days. Carried.

Motion Keogh support Baldus Webster Township proceed with purchase of additional May Mast property. Attorney Etter to proceed with paper work. Roll call, all ayes and carried.

Copy Machine Brochures are being sought.

Township Attorney will present draft ordinance for Land Division Act after attending MTA Conference meeting.

Names are to be presented for Representative on Portage Base Lake Sewer Board at the Feb. Meeting.

Mr. Freeman has requested all papers required by the Township for he and his excavator to sign. He has completed all the site-plan revisions and is ready to proceed.

Blight Ordinance to be reviewed and presented at February meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:
Motion Baldus support Keogh to reappoint Don Buchanan, Jennifer Simonds, and Don Heller to three year term on Board of Appeals. Carried.

Motion Keogh support Fink to Reappoint John Kingsley, and Geraldine Calhoun to three year term on Planning Comm. Carried.

Formal Hall Rental Policy to be drafted by Sup. Fisher.

Brush piles to be burned and cleaned up. Fisher to seek bids.

Paul Kleinschmidt to review old townhall site and report on need for further action. Recycle signs to be changed. Fisher to seek bids from recycle companies for appropriate bins and signs.

Landscape around recycle bins - discussion only. Fisher to propose fence construction.

Motion Keogh support Kleinschmidt to purchase six new voting devices. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

Motion Kleinschmidt support Fink to purchase shredder for township. Carried.

Motion Kleinschmidt support Fink to amend motion not to exceed \$200.00. Carried.

Motion Kleinschmidt support Fink to purchase two clocks for Township Hall not to exceed \$50.00 each. Carried.

Board members and staff members salaries discussed. Motion Kleinschmidt support Fink to accept the following wage raise starting Fiscal year. Trustees \$75.00 per meeting, for any board they serve on. 4% raise for Sup., Clerk, Treasurer and deputies. Roll call - all ayes and carried. Motion Fisher support Keogh to amend motion Sup. not receive increase during 1998. Carried.

A request was received to have the Lakes Review as Official Publication Paper.

Motion Fink support Kleinschmidt to remain with the Dexter Leader. Carried.

Motion Keogh support Baldus Board Members and staff have picture ID. Carried.

Jim Ross, Zoning Inspector, issued 10 permits and 2 address bringing 87 total houses for 1997. 82 houses in 1996.

Motion Kleinschmidt support Keogh to accept treasurers report and pay bills as presented. Roll Call. All ayes and carried.

Motion Baldus support Fink and carried meeting adjourned at 11:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Wana M. Baldus, Clerk

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VILLAGE OF CHELSEA

A Public Hearing to consider the 1998/99 Fiscal Year Village Budgets will be held February 24, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sylvan Township Hall, 112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan. A copy of the proposed budget will be available for public inspection at the Village Administration Office, 104 E. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan.

Persons requiring reasonable accommodations to disabilities in order that the hearing be accessible to them, are required to notify the Village Clerk no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing of such disability.

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Chelsea's 9-10 girls 200 freestyle relay team is shown above. Included are Jessica Lodewyk, Kellyn Pagliarini, Anne Seelbach and Chrissy Widmayer, kneeling.

Chelsea volleyball tops Lincoln

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kills with nine digs and was 19-20 with four aces.

Spooner had six kills and 22 digs with three aces. Edmond had three kills and three aces. Stolaski had two kills and Powers three kills.

Emily Sterling had 15 digs, Celeste Bycraft 13 digs and Miranda Harris nine digs while going 11-11 serving with two aces.

Monday night Chelsea defeated Lincoln 15-11, 15-9 to move to 6-2 in the SEC.

Lincoln's Margaret Smith served the Railsplitters to an 8-2 lead in the first game but Ellis came up next and pulled Dexter back within one.

From there, Spooner built the cushion, even more as Chelsea rolled to the win.

In the second game, the Bulldogs got out to a 7-0 lead and really never looked back.

Ellis had six kills, five digs and was 6-6 with three aces. Spooner had 18 assists and two kills and was 10-10 with one ace. Arend had four digs and six kills. Krissy Tripp came off the bench and was 11-11 serving with three aces.

About the outdoors

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On this trip we were going snowshoeing and that was it. The weather was a bit cold, but keeping warm was no problem as long as we kept traveling.

As I mentioned earlier, we spent about four hours on the snowshoes. Taking a half hour break for lunch along the trail, gave us a chance to rest our legs and adjust the bindings that have a tendency to loosen a bit when they are used for long periods of time.

After lunch we left the two-track that we had stuck close to during the morning part of the trip, and ventured into the thick stuff, just to see how the shoes performed when the walking wasn't so easy.

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As the hike came to an end and we all found our legs tiring, we slowed our pace a bit. We arrived back at the 4x4 just as the sun was setting and the cold wind was starting to pick up again.

I recommend snowshoeing to any one who is looking for a new way to enjoy Michigan's great outdoors.



—Youngsters Visit Museum—

Children who attend Dexter Co-op Nursery paid a visit to the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History recently. Pictured, from left, are Mike Kelly, Christine Lee, Lauren Davis, Wesley Powell, Sarah Mohr, Nick Orr and Lisa Crompton; back from left, Jimmy Kelly, Allen Matthews, Tyler Wisley, Shawn Kreimes, Carl Pressprich, Noah Hiser, Dylan Sutter and Christopher Schwartzenger.

Stabenow to sponsor high school art show

Congresswoman Debbie Stabenow will sponsor the 1998 Congressional Art Competition for local high schools of the Eighth District of Michigan. The theme for this year's competition will be the "World of Science." High school students who reside in the Eighth District are eligible to participate.

"I believe that education in arts and science plays an important role in developing the minds of our students," Stabenow said. "In bringing these two areas together, we can open new worlds to our youth, while emphasizing creativity and critical thought."

The Congressional Art Competition gives students the opportunity to compete for the honor of displaying their work in the U.S. Capitol.

The winner will also receive a trip for two to Washington, D.C., including an airline ticket for a teacher, parent, or guardian. Four honorable mentions will also be awarded and those winners' artwork will be displayed in Congresswoman Stabenow's district and Washington, D.C.

Entries for the competition should reflect a concept, activity, individual, or event in the field of science. Art categories are limited to painting, drawing, collage, or print. Submissions will be accepted from March 1-27. Winners will be selected by a committee of local art teachers and representatives from a local art organization.

As a member of the House Science and Technology Committee, one of my top priorities has been to highlight the role of math, science and technology in our schools," Stabenow stated. "In capturing the beauty of the various worlds of science, it is my hope that we will see many examples of how critical and creative thinking work hand in hand."

Students interested in the 1998 Congressional Art Competition should contact one of Congresswoman Stabenow's District offices at (517) 336-7777, (417) 542-2196, (810) 230-8275 for application details.



—Snow White Pays Visit—

Snow White paid a visit to Little Gingerbread House recently as part of a unit children studied about nursery rhymes and folk tales. Pictured, from left, are Ryan Hodgman, Brittni Pehn, Angie Bach, Evan Oxner, Christian Black, Evan Mihoocka, Samantha Stacey, Ashlee Feeman, Clara Gemiller, Allison Sharrar, Daniel Biggs, Rachel Kramer, Kurt Miller and Ryan Morrison, sitting on Snow White's lap, who is also his mother.

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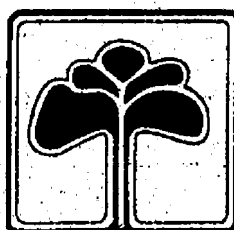
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INTERNET JOURNAL

TERRY LINDSTEDT

I surf the Internet. To many people that spells adult chats and "cyber."

OK, so let's see what's out there... Chats: yes. Cyber-dating/matchmaking Services: yes. Cyber-Romance Stories: yes. Cyber-Advice columns and magazines: yes. Cyber-Lovers—Psychologists: yes. Cyber-couples' stories and Web sites: yes.

What is an Internet romance anyway? How can that be true love? Typing on a computer? Well, it must be so, because so many talk-show hosts have spent considerable time on this question. So have advice columnists, such as Ann Landers.

One of the most thoroughly romantic, yet frustrating

Internet love stories I've found is located at Dove's Internet Romances

<http://www.geocities.com/Paris/LeftBank/6905/>

Told mostly from Dove's perspective, it goes from "Our Beginnings," which is how they met on-line, to "Eternal Love," stating that they will always love each other. Francis, her cyber-lover, also has a page to give his own perspective.

In addition, Dove has included creative suggestions for making the cyber-relationship more interesting, a page which uses color to help you define your deeper feelings, guestbooks, and a list of virtual card and gift sites. It

is a site that is very tastefully done.

But, isn't it dangerous to carry on a "relationship" with someone you can't see? What about those stories in the news about people being harmed? Cyber Angels to the rescue at: <http://www.cyberangels.org/> with some helpful tips on how to protect yourself when meeting someone online. They elaborate on the following pointers: Honesty and carefulness; do not rush; meeting someone for the first time should be like a first date, not a continuation of the on-line romance (because on-line communications can give a false sense of how well you know that person—online, you have words, off-line, you hear a voice, see body language, see the way the person looks, along with their personal hygiene).

Don't believe everything you read; don't give out personal information; don't rush; everything must be based on honesty; talk on the phone first; meet in a public place and maybe bring a friend with you; tell someone where you are going; don't go home together on the first date; report attacks or threats to the police; don't run away with him or her; and don't be paranoid.

OK, so what if you take all of these precautions and still manage to fall in love? Will it last? One site suggests that after the first meeting and then going back to your respective homes, especially ones that are far apart, many cyber-relationships fatter. Possibly the expectations weren't completely met, and the distance just becomes too great of a factor to overcome. Maybe, maybe not.

There are plenty of Web sites written by couples who have met on-line, met off-line, traveled distances, and finally, married.

One such site is called Jimala's Place — A true

Internet Romance, at <http://www.servtech.com/public/jimala/> This is a couple who met originally in 1995, married, and continue to update their Web site as a tribute to the Internet and their unorthodox path to love.

If you really would like to know more about Internet romance, a very good place to visit is Cyber Romance 101 at <http://web2.airmail.net/walraven/romance.htm>. This site has multiple sections and links to give you nearly all you need to know on the subject.

If you've found that someone special, but are miles apart and just can't wait to tie the knot legally, there is the free Cyber Marriage page at <http://www.geocities.com/Paris/Rue/7130>. Here you can e-mail the reverend with your nicknames, photos, both e-mail addresses, plus choose your virtual rings, dress, transportation and location of the "marriage."

Once the reverend receives this information, both the bride and groom will receive a marriage cyber-certificate via e-mail, and a Web page to announce your marriage. You can view three other marriage pages which have taken place as a result of this generous site.

Last, but not least: if you feel like it's all starting to fall apart, but you just don't know for sure, there is the Cheating Lover or Spouse page which claims to save you money spent on a private investigator by telling you how to discover unfaithfulness. Its Web address is <http://members.aol.com/PrivateInv/Index.html>.

(Hmmm... there's bound to be a cyber-divorce page, but I didn't look. That's for another day.)

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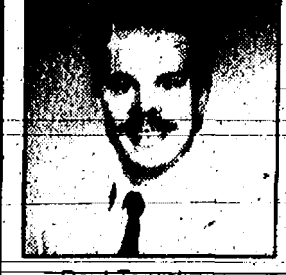


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by
Carol Navarro

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Weekdays: Mass, 9 a.m.

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14111 North Territorial Rd.
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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.

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Washington St., Waterloo
Mana Joslyn, Minister
Sunday: Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.;
Worship service, 11 a.m.

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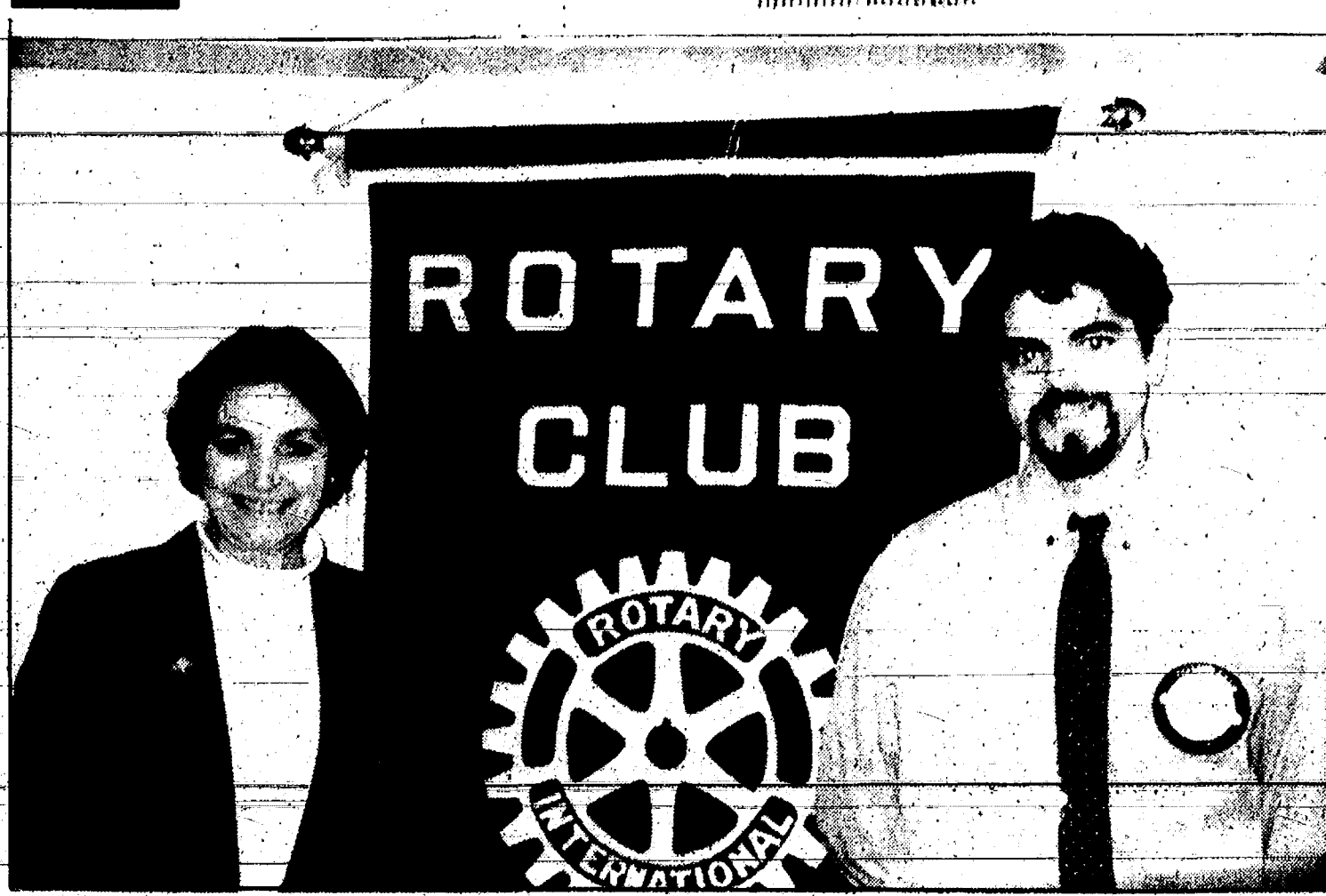
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Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Choir rehearsal, 6 p.m.;
7:30 p.m.

Chelsea



—Rotary Club Inducts New Members—
The Rotary Club of Chelsea inducted two new members recently. Metta Lansdale (left), director of Chelsea District Library, and Scott McElrath, owner of Dangerous Architects, were inducted. The club meets at 12:15 p.m. every Tuesday at the Common Grill.

AREA DEATHS

LEONORA O. STAEBLER
Chelsea
Age 82, died Thursday afternoon, Feb. 5, 1998, at her home. She was born June 16, 1915, in Freedom Township, the daughter of Reuben and Clara (Luckhardt) Staebler. Mrs. Staebler had been a lifelong resident of Washtenaw County, and was the former president of the Women's Auxiliary of St. Paul Lutheran Church of Ann Arbor. She had been a volunteer at the Washtenaw County Department of Social Services and was a past president of the Washtenaw County Extension Service. Mrs. Staebler was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ of Chelsea and was very involved with church work. She enjoyed needle work.
Leonora was married in Ann Arbor on June 15, 1935, to William F. Staebler and he preceded her in death on Aug. 12, 1982. Surviving are her children David W. (Judy) Staebler of Chelsea, Kathrine (Paul) Frisinger of Chelsea, Paul (Nichole) Staebler of Cottage Grove, Ore., and Mary Ann (Rick) Rickerman of Knoxville, Tenn.; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; her sister Milda (Clarence) Kremkow of Utica, Mich., and her brother, Harold (Irma) Staebler of Dexter.
Funeral service was held Saturday, Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. at St. Paul United Church of Christ, with the Rev. Dr. Lynn D. Spitz-Nagel and the Rev. David Cleaver-Bartholomew officiating. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery, Ann Arbor. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Individualized Hospice, St. Paul United Church of Christ or First Congregational Church. Arrangements by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home.

ALTA GRACE COWELL
Formerly of Dexter
Age 93, Alta was born Aug. 18, 1904. She died on Feb. 6, 1998. She formerly lived on Baker Road in Dexter. She is survived by Robert E. Cowell, Nina M. Pizio, Danella J. McKinley, Marilyn L. Carpenter and Preston R. Cowell. She was preceded in death by her husband, James L., son, Merle E., and daughter, Verda L. Bodi.
Funeral service was held in Sylvania, Ohio, on Tuesday, Feb. 10. Interment was in Toledo Memorial Park, Sylvania.
AGNES M. BUEHLER
Chelsea
Age 89, died Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 3, 1998, at the Evangelical Home in Saline. She was born Aug. 10, 1908, in Chelsea, the daughter of Timothy and Barbara (Meyers) Maloney. Agnes had been a lifelong resident and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.
She was married June 24, 1933, to Verne T. Buehler and he preceded her in death on April 23, 1963. Surviving are her children, Barbara M. (Richard) Rickelmann of Osseo, Mich.; Verne T. (Jo Anne) Buehler, II of Hartland, Delores (Frank) Perry of Navato, Calif.; 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Neil Buehler, on Oct. 28, 1995; a granddaughter, Kathleen A. Perry, in

1983; and her brother and sister, Leo and Gertrude Maloney.
The funeral mass was held Saturday, Feb. 7, at St. Mary's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Philip Dupuis officiating. The Vigil was held Friday at 7:30 p.m., at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home. Burial was in Mount Olivet Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church.
JOSEPH LEONE
Dexter
Age 21, died Feb. 8, 1998. He was born May 9, 1976, in Ann Arbor. Joe was the beloved son of Romolo and Lorraine Leone of Dexter and the cherished brother of Mary, Therese, Mark, John, Judith, Thomas, Phillip, and Lorraine (Gerhard) Kniessel. He attended Dexter High School and for the past two years was employed by Bell's Construction Co. of Ann Arbor. Joe was a generous and compassionate person who always had a kind word for everyone. He will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends.
Visitation will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Dexter on Thursday, Feb. 12 from 6-9 p.m. A funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 13, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Dexter, with the Rev. Fr. Bernard Tyler officiating. A brief interment service will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery in Dexter. Following the services the family is holding a reception at St. Joseph's Parish Center in Dexter.

AREA BIRTHS

A daughter, Olivia Leigh, born Jan. 18 at the University of Michigan Women's Hospital to Laurie and Leonard McCalla of Grass Lake. Maternal grandparents are Ruthmarie and the late Harry E. Raithel of Lincoln Park. Paternal grandparents are Leonard and Janet McCalla of Chelsea. Olivia has two brothers, Matthew, 6, and Charlie, 4.
A son, Elliott Benjamin, born Jan. 2, to Cheryl and Rick Lyons of Pinckney. Maternal grandparents are Esther and Don Gibb of Pinckney. Paternal grandparents are Carole and Dan Lyons of Pinckney and Liz and Chuck Kercher of Elenton, Fla. Elliott is joined by a brother, Stuart.

The family of Mitchell Picklesimer, Sr. wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to the many friends and relatives who have helped us during our bereavement. The numerous cards, flowers, visits, food delivered to the house and the church, kind words and prayers have encouraged us greatly.
Special thanks to Dr. Richard Moseley and Dr. John Severin for their professional care and personal concern, Pastor Row Clark for his ongoing visits and personalized funeral remarks, the Immanuel Bible Church ladies for assisting at the luncheon, Individualized Hospice for their involvement, Olive Lodge #156 for their Masonic service and American Legion Post #31 for the military tribute. Deepest appreciation to Don, Linda and Allen Cole of Cole Funeral Chapel for their loving assistance during this difficult time.
—Wilma Picklesimer and Family

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St. James
3279 Broad Street, Dexter
426-8247
Rev. David J. Horning
Sunday: Holy Eucharist, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.;
Sunday School, 10 a.m.

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Faith Lutheran
9575 N. Territorial Rd.
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Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.;
Worship 10 a.m.

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2253 Baker Rd., Dexter
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United Church of Christ
St. Andrew's
7610 Ann Arbor St., Dexter
426-8610
Rev. Gary J. Kwiatek
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Worship and Sunday School, 10 a.m.

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Elizabeth and Paul Kleinschmidt
Dec. 28, 1962



Donna and Ned Palmer
Sept. 20, 1958

Fire fees surprise township resident

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However, Rowe said that his insurance only covers calls that threaten to damage the object covered, such as the house or car, but not necessarily the people inside. For instance, calls for carbon monoxide or radon gas are not covered while a burning furnace would be, because a homeowner's policy pays for a threat to the house.
Auto accidents are similar.

Insurance pays for a fire in the car or hazardous material released. But with cars, insurance does pay for injury calls, because most people have liability and personal injury insurance, so the person is covered.

Most insurance companies also limit the charges they will pay for, according to Bill Stockwell, a general agent for AAA Michigan Insurance.

Sales in Dexter. Stockwell said AAA has a variety of homeowner policies, but except for the most extensive coverage that has a maximum of \$1,000, all cap charges at \$500, which he said is typical of many companies.

"We pay only for some peril we cover, such as fire, wind-storm etc.," Stockwell said. "Detecting radon gas or carbon monoxide is not a peril we

insure, so they're not covered."
As for Koseck, he learned the hard way that neither his township nor his insurance policy covered the cost of having firefighters out to his home, leaving him to foot the bill. He'll have to be satisfied with getting back a \$50 administrative fee Sylvan board waived, and earning hard-earned knowledge for the next time something goes wrong.

Couples still sweet on each other

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that Dianne made a good date because her father allowed him to borrow the family car.
Bill Eisenbeiser says what attracted him to Sharleen was that she was bright and enthusiastic. "She always wanted to do things and go places."
For Sharleen, it was Bill's subtle humor, consideration and patience.
As with most long-term relationships, the Hoffenbeckers' has been marked by occasional doses of romanticism. A belated honeymoon in Paris was one such occasion.

A trip to the Smoky Mountains to celebrate their first anniversary was a romantic moment for the Eisenbeisers.

Everything Paul does, Elizabeth says, seems romantic. In particular, however, she recalls when he proposed marriage.

"We came home from visiting his brother in Ann Arbor and he stopped the car in the middle of the Foster Bridge over the Huron River. He said he had been shopping that afternoon in the dime store because it had been raining. He reached across and opened the glove compartment of the car and handed me a package. It was an engagement ring. I put it on. He said he stopped (near the river) so if I got too excited he could cool me off in the river."

For the Palmers, it was a getaway weekend in Toledo, Ohio, after Donna kidnapped her husband.

"I kidnapped Ned for a weekend on the pretext of going out for lunch. Ned was chairman of Dexter's Bicentennial celebration. It was a very demanding job and he needed to get away for a few days but didn't think he could leave."

"I worked it out with the chairpeople, his office staff and his mother. The whole town knew what I was up to but Ned never found out."

Just spending time together has proven to be romantic for the Stephensons. "Exper-

iences we've had, places we've visited, activities we've enjoyed have all been romantic in that they've given us the shared times that make our lives and marriage fun," Dianne says.

Although their stories are different, all these couples share in common successful marriages.

Bobbie and Dan Hoffenbecker say love, trust, understanding, communication and a sense of humor are the ingredients of a good marriage.

Dianne and Ross Stephenson add mutual respect, shared decision-making, common interests and shared experiences into the mix.

The Eisenbeisers and Kleinschmidts suggest adding faith in God, while the Palmers say dreaming together and working side-by-side to achieve those dreams helps.

"In jest, I always said a good marriage is me saying 'Yes, dear. Whatever you say, dear,'" says Ed Coy.

But on a serious note, the Coys have found sharing responsibilities and supporting each other's interests are vital to a healthy marriage.

This Valentine's Day all these sweethearts say they won't play it up.

"(Bill) will probably suggest a fun activity and that's fine but not necessary," says Sharleen.

And why?
"Every day is Valentine's Day," she says.

Village vote required to raise tax above state levels

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

When Village Manager Jack Myers and Village President Richard Steele laid out their plans for the coming year among the proposals was the possibility of a tax increase for the village's operating budget. Steele said he would look into how much of an increase would be needed to handle increased costs in retirement and infrastructure.

"This year, as we get into budget meetings, we realized sooner or later we're going to need to go to the citizens to ask for an increase," Steele said. "Nobody likes it to be done."

Current tax levels for the village lie at 16.70 mills or 16.70 for every \$1,000 of taxable value on a home. This tax covers operating costs, debt service, and library, street and solid waste removal taxes. Residents and businesses in the Downtown Development Authority district pay an additional 1.76 mills.

According to Myers, the tax level for the village's operating budget is set by the state, and currently sits at approximately 10.3 mills. The millage is multiplied by the entire state equalized value of property in the village to determine the village's annual budget amount.

Taxes for debt service and the library need to be voted in by residents in the village. The money from these taxes can only be used for the purposes of funding those particular services, and are subject to

rollback if the services don't cost as much as the village collects from property owners. Taxes for the library and debt service add up to about 3.5 mills.

Streets and solid waste are the only two taxes that Village Council has direct control over, though the council is limited in how high it can tax. The council has set the tax rates for those services at 2.85 mills combined.

The school district's operating budget is similar to the village's because it has a fixed property tax rate set by state law. Until four years ago when Proposal A was passed, voters were asked to approve increases in taxes to fund operating expenses, which pay mostly for salaries of school district employees, according to Superintendent Ed Richardson.

Now the state gives a fixed

rate to the school district as a foundation grant, which currently is \$6,034 per student. The foundation grant is funded partially from property taxes paid in the village and townships, but is subsidized from other sources, since the taxes paid do not cover the entire cost of students' education.

The property taxes paid to the state have been set at 6 mills for homesteads, and 18 mills for non-homesteads, which with a few exceptions is anything that is not a primary dwelling, according to Richardson.

District residents also pay a 7 mill tax for Chelsea's school bond. The money from this tax can only be used for construction or renovation of the school buildings, and must be voted on by people in the district. A one-mill sinking fund also was voted in for

maintenance of the schools.

The schools cannot raise taxes at all for operating expenses, and cannot set a millage for a bond without going to voters for approval. In order for the village to raise taxes above the state-mandated level, the council will have to ask voters to approve the increase in an election.

Myers said the village can ask for up to 12 mills for operating expenses, though the council won't ask for the maximum in the planned tax increase.

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