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NEWS BRIEFS

Sparky's coming for book signing

Former Detroit Tigers manager Sparky Anderson will make an appearance at Chelsea High School on Friday, Sept. 25, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the commons area.

Anderson will be signing copies of his autobiography "They Call Me Sparky," published by Chelsea's Sleeping Bear Press.

The event, which is open to the public, is being held to raise money for the Chelsea Athletic Boosters. Bill Ballagh of State Farm Insurance has purchased 500 copies of the book, which are being donated to the boosters. Books will be \$10 each.

There will be no signing of baseballs or other memorabilia.

For more information call 433-2244.

School board hires second-grade teacher

Chelsea Board of Education hired a new second-grade teacher for North Creek Elementary Monday night.

Alicia Rey-Moncau interviewed with the district for a kindergarten position, but was turned down for another candidate. She impressed the interview team enough, however, that they offered her the new position, which was created three weeks ago at the last board meeting.

Rey-Moncau has been a substitute teacher for the Ann Arbor School District since April of 1997. She served as a long-term substitute teacher in Pittsfield Elementary School on two occasions.

Rey-Moncau holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Eastern Michigan University. Coming from a Cuban-American background, she is also fluent in Spanish.



Chelsea United Way kicked off its fundraising season Friday with a breakfast for local residents. Pictured (above) are (front row) Joy Osgood, Maribeth Hammer, Scott Broshar, Dayle Wright, Joy Leitz, Sharon Whitmore, Bob Trudell, (back row) Todd Regis, LouAnn Eder, Anne Mann, Brian Hickey, Todd Napieralski and Bob Milbrodt. Chelsea Area Responding to Teens is a recipient of funds from Chelsea United Way. The teen group is organized by Colleen Arnold and Jackie Maveal (right).



Chelsea United Way kicks off new campaign with breakfast

Chelsea United Way kicked off its annual fundraising drive Friday morning with a breakfast for local business owners and community members. The organization set a goal 3 percent higher than last year, hoping to raise \$122,432 in the next few months.

United Way spokeswoman Dayle Wright said the group intends to use a three-pronged approach to fundraising. A mailing will go out to people who have donated before, and board members will approach local businesses and industries to help out the organization.

After a 3 percent administrative cost is taken out, the

remainder of the money raised will go to local community groups, Wright said. Chelsea United Way donates much of the money to Chelsea Faith in Action, with additional money going to Chelsea Area Responding to Teens, Chelsea Recreation Council, Chelsea Help Line and Chelsea Area Transportation Service.

Regional organizations supported are Boy and Girl Scouts, Salvation Army, Catholic Youth Service and Hospice of Washtenaw County, among others.

"Our motto is, 'Chelsea helping Chelsea,'" Wright said. Chelsea United Way has no

direct affiliation with Washtenaw County United Way, which opened its fund drive Sept. 10. Money donated to the Washtenaw County United Way may be earmarked for Chelsea, though part of the money will be retained for the county organization.

Chelsea United Way is a member of the Michigan United Way and sends some organizational money to the larger organization. At the statewide level, the United Way donates money to fight diseases such as leukemia, epilepsy and mental disorders, helps prevent crime and drug use, and provides services for the poor.

Athletic fight spills over to board room

By Eric Bowen
 Staff Writer

Tension was high at the Board of Education meeting Monday night as a group calling itself Concerned Parents for Chelsea Athletes came to show its disapproval of the school district's athletic policy. Armed with prepared remarks and strident voices, the parents accused the board of instituting a policy of "power, control and punishment," congratulating each other after every speech with applause.

Several residents said they supported the suspension of the policy until it could be reviewed by a panel of residents and board members. Two parents characterized the policy as akin to giving students a no-win situation that could lead to suicide.

Chelsea resident Joe Kummer told the board that he believes the changes made to the policy since its initial adoption in 1995 drastically changed the scope of the policy. He said the code was an infringement on students' rights, especially tenets that students are covered by the code year-round.

Another resident, Robert Mida, said in his prepared statement that the board should take back the reigns from the superintendent and take a leadership role on the policy. He said the board is elected by the community to take care of the long-term needs of the district.

"You and the parents and the children of this community live here — some of you may have been born here, most of you are planning on being here for a long time," Mida said.

"There is a challenge taking place in the Chelsea School System and you have the power to show this community that you are listening to the people and that you care about children. What should be a positive help for the children of this community has become a strong negative and a threat to the families of this community."

The controversy over the athletic policy stems from a June break-in at the Chelsea Rod & Gun Club, in which several football players stole beer and were

caught running through a field after neighbors called police. The club's executive board declined to press charges and made an arrangement with the boys to do community service.

Despite the arrangement, the boys were punished under the school's athletic policy and could face suspension during the season. Superintendent Ed Richardson said that the boys' appeal had reached his desk and he sent his decision to the boys Monday.

The next level of appeal is to the school board, Richardson said. The parents and students involved can request either a public or private hearing with the board before it makes its decision.

Board President Jane Diesing said at the board meeting that the board would not consider amending the policy until the students' appeal was complete. She said she felt it was inappropriate to take on the policy at the meeting.

Diesing was visibly angered by the parents' comments. She limited public input to three minutes per person and lashed out against one parent for interrupting the board during its input section of the agenda.

"I don't think I asked you to speak," Diesing said. "There's the door if you continue."

Diesing said that she was willing to consider the parents' concerns but her support has been eroded during the appeals process. She said the tactics taken by parents have been beyond belief and she has had overwhelming support from other parents in the district.

"This is not about the superintendent, it's not about the board, but it's coming from the heart of this community," Diesing said. "You're attacking this community."

Diesing's comments drew further response from parents who accused her of shutting down debate on the issue. They said they should be allowed to question the policy.

Richardson weighed in on the issue during the meeting, reminding parents that the stu-

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Chelsea man named commander of Washtenaw County veterans

By Eric Bowen
 Staff Writer

Don O'Dell made some close friends over the years he spent as a Marine in Korea.

There was the veteran captain who told him he was too young to be in war. There was the sergeant who falsified his records to get him assigned to artillery instead of marching on the front lines. And there are his fellow members of the artillery that he still visits today in North Carolina.

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

erans. "When you go through combat together you get a comradeship that stays with you the rest of your life," O'Dell says. "All veterans need help. We've got to stick together on things."

The veterans council is an overarching organization with members from veterans groups such as the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, among others. The organization focuses its efforts on helping veterans in need by providing money from a trust fund and finding jobs for veterans, in addition to lobbying legislators to maintain veterans benefits.

As commanding officer, O'Dell oversees the monthly meetings of the group plus several other smaller meetings. He serves as

commanding officer for a year, then he will become part of the executive committee.

O'Dell worked his way up to the commanding position after serving as a delegate from the American Legion Post 31 in Chelsea. When the offer came from other members to be commander, he volunteered to lead.

One of his major projects is incorporating an honor guard into the organization. O'Dell currently has established a group of people who give military funerals for veterans. The members give a firing squad salute and present a flag to the spouse of the veteran.

"My main goal is help veterans," O'Dell says. "We make sure that (they get) all the benefits

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Don O'Dell was recently named commander of the Washtenaw County Council of Veterans, an organization dedicated to veterans issues. He is also a member of a veterans honor guard that performs military funerals for veterans.

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Saline tops Chelsea in SEC slugfest

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Board examines goals, curriculum

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

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

The board emphasized the need for improving reading and writing skills, planning for growth and facility use, infusing technology into the curriculum and increasing communication within the school district and with the community.

The Chelsea Board of Education wishes to adopt a mission statement for the purpose of stating the purpose and function of the school district, the resolution states. "Further, the board wishes to identify goals for the school district that they believe will assist the employees of the school district by knowing key target accomplishments for the year and assist the board and administration by identifying the focus for resources."

As if to underscore the new goals, Dr. Laurice Kotchenruther recommended several changes to the school district's Alternative High School program curriculum. Kotchenruther explained changes in the integrated tech classes and three-dimensional art design.

The tech classes will emphasize connections with other subjects, such as English and social studies, Kotchenruther said. The knowledge

learned will apply to other areas, including publishing a newsletter from desktop computers.

Kotchenruther also laid out changes in the college preparatory English program, which added Jane Austen's "Emma" and two contemporary novels to the reading list.

The board will likely vote on the recommendations in future board meetings.

The board took action on several items including an agreement with the Washtenaw County Road Commission to provide easements to expand Freer Road across the south-east portion of Pierce Lake Elementary property. The easement will allow the commission to widen the road for turning lanes.

The board also accepted \$11,800 from the Area Agency on Aging to fund the senior center. The agency identifies seniors who qualify as low-income residents or those in isolated areas.

The board approved a resolution in support of public education, stating its opposition to anything that could harm education. The action was in response to the urging by Secretary Dayle Wright that the board take a position against vouchers. The board chose not to explicitly condemn vouchers.

Two field trips were approved at the meeting. The Concert Choir and Women's Choir are allowed to travel Sept. 25 and 26.



Friends of Chelsea Motorcycle Rally board recently donated \$5,000 to Faith in Action, part of the proceeds from a rally held during Chelsea Summer Festival. Pictured are board members (front row) Lynne Farley; Lew Morgan; Jan Morgan; Felix Hurt of Westland, who won the Buell motorcycle; Walter Salkauskas; (back row) Tom Castro; Charley Fredette; Lindsey Higgenbottom; Gail Chapman;

Chris Snell; Tom Snell; Don Rodda; Jim Taylor; Dave Ramirez; Bob Bratton; Leon Lewis; Lynn Lewis; Scott Tanner; Donny Ray Holbrook; Marilyn Clark; Art Farley; Rev. Jerrold Beaumont; and Gordon McMasters. Not pictured are Frank Hammer, Charley Hashley, Mark Reutter, Paul Zurekl, Claire Bell, Wendy Ramirez, Wanda McComb and Suzie Bell.

Motorecycle rally nets \$5,000 for local charity

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

Proving that motorcycle rallies can be more than just the roar of Harleys riding into town, the Friends of Chelsea Motorcycle Rally board recently donated \$5,000 to Faith in Action. The money was part of the proceeds from a recent rally held during Chelsea Summer Festival that brought in riders from around the region.

Organizer Art Farley, owner of Chelsea Motorcycle Supply, said that the rally was a success, raising close to \$30,000 to pay for fees and other costs. The board took in money largely from sponsorships, raffle ticket sales, side-car rides and beverage sales.

The rally was a national event affiliated with the American Motorcycle Association Farley said. The rally also featured a poker run, put on by ABATE, a biker rights organization.

Farley said a number of people were heavily involved in planning the rally, not only local bikers, but the American Legion Post 31, which served alcohol at the rally, and the fair board, which allowed the rally to happen. Farley said the organizers also had to get permission from Chelsea Police Department, and the motorcyclists provided their own security for the event, keeping a confined area for drinking and rally events.

Because of the planning,

Farley said the rally came off with few problems from bikers. He said that despite a band in one of the buildings and alcohol, there were no complaints from neighbors.

Farley and local bikers have a longtime relationship with Faith in Action. They have given sidecar rides at the Summer Festival since 1990, at first donating the proceeds to the St. Louis School, then changing to FIA.

Rev. Jerrold Beaumont said the donated money will be used largely for preschool scholarships. Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets also

will benefit from the donation.

Beaumont said he is thankful for the donation because FIA's expenses have increased more than \$2,000 over last year, as the organization addresses community needs. He said that the charity has received more requests for assistance than last year, attributing the increase to a drop in welfare services for poor residents.

"If things continue the way things have been," Beaumont said, "(we will have) a 28 percent increase in requests for services."

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Class becomes problem solvers for environmental problem

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

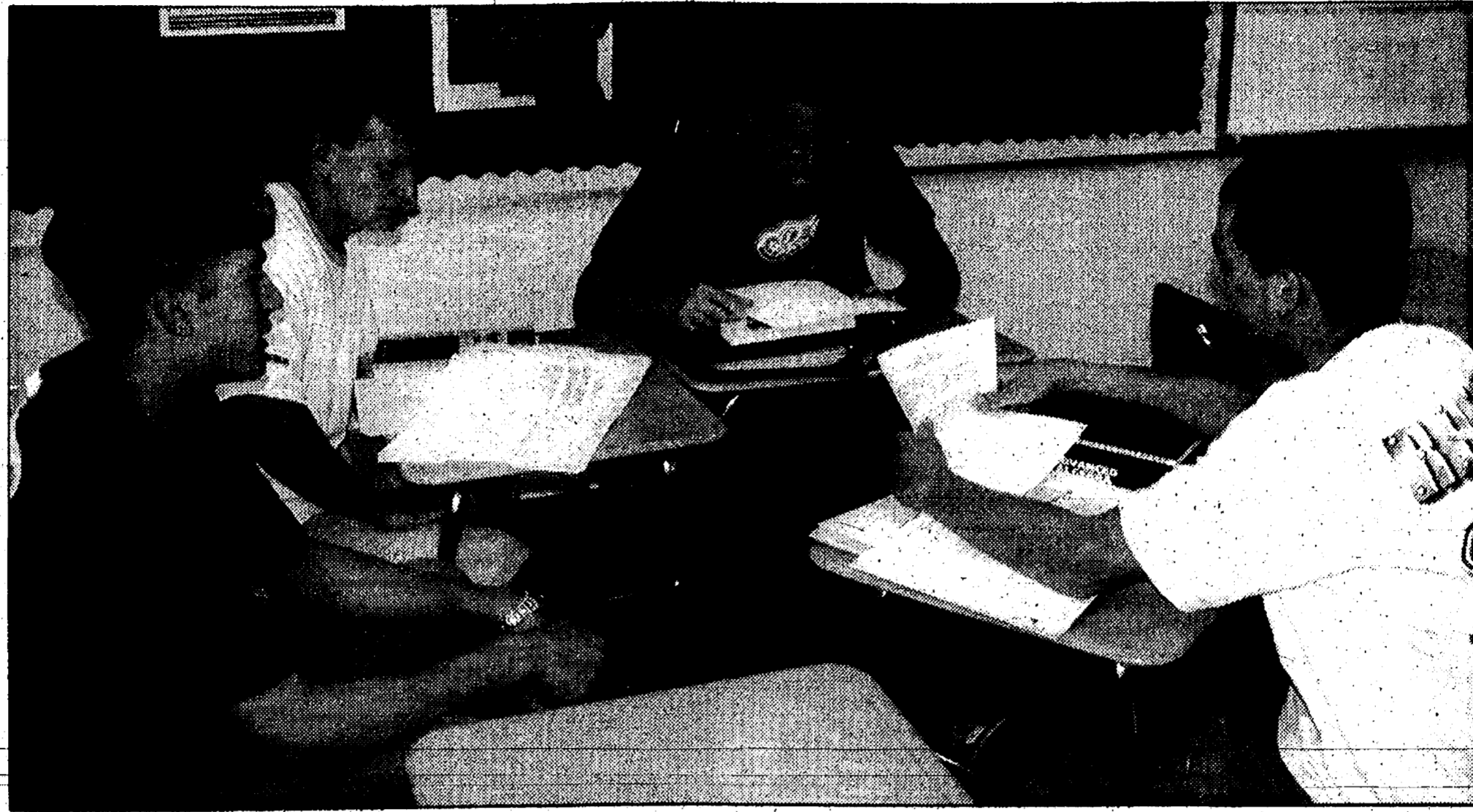
What would happen if the Chelsea rock were contaminated with harmful chemicals and the Environmental Protection Agency gave the village 90 days to remove it or face stiff fines?

Throw in a citizen group intent upon keeping the historical value of a Chelsea landmark, and you have the problem John Groesser's Chelsea High School English class is dealing with as part of a class project in problem solving and technical report writing.

Groesser's class has been working on the rock scenario since the beginning of the year. The groups started with an initial problem of how to deal with graffiti surrounding the rock.

As the project progressed, the groups were presented with additional problems to solve, such as contamination of the soil surrounding the rock and monetary problems of the village. A local group intent on keeping the rock also demanded it not be moved.

Students are now working on a report of their solutions. The reports will include research from local contractors and other community mem-



Students in John Groesser's English class at Chelsea High School learned problem-solving techniques in a group project addressing concerns about the Chelsea rock. Pictured are (from left) Matt Borders, Mike Offenbacher, Tim Hinz II and Matt Hinderer.

bers on how much the solution will cost. Expected results of their solution will be included.

One group brainstormed several ideas for dealing with

the problem of vandalism ranging from security cameras to fencing off the rock. After nixing solutions that were impractical, the group decided to ask for volunteers to shift the

rock a bit so they can clean the contaminated area before returning the rock to its place.

"We just based everything around volunteer work," said junior Pia Rhodes.

Another group came up with roughly the same plan, though they included putting concrete under the rock so it could not become contaminated again.

Tim Hinz II, a member of the second group, said he based his problem solving on his knowledge of the history of the rock. In the 1970s local groups raised money to save the rock, originally located near the Schoolhouse Apartments.

Armed with Hinz's knowledge, the group understood better the importance of saving the rock for the community.

"People wanted it to stay, so they put so much effort to keep it," said junior Matt Hinderer, also a member of the group. "We came up with the idea of moving the rock temporarily and guard it for security."

Groesser said the project was designed to help students learn about problem solving and working in a team. As each new wrinkle was thrown into the mix, students had to devise strategies to solve the obstacles.

Groesser also hoped the rock problem would interest students because it's locally oriented. He wanted to have the students have to understand real-life issues involved in solving problems.

"I was trying to get something community-based and practical," Groesser said.

District Library staff ends reading competition

Chelsea District Library sponsored a summer reading program just for library staff this year. The grand prize for the staff member who read the most pages was a paid day off.

Library page Patrick Murphy and head circulation clerk Joan Birgy were neck and neck

for most of the summer. Murphy pulled it out thanks to a fortuitously scheduled vacation, logging a total of 9,250 pages.

Silently clocking the numbers, circulation clerk Kerstin Weibull finished in second place with 6,186 pages over the 10-week program. Birgy fin-

ished in third place with 5,276 pages. Eight of the 12 staff members participated. Together, the Chelsea District Library staff read a total of 34,917 pages.

The Friends of the Library sponsored other prizes for this first annual event, which included items such as a famous painting art cube, free coffee and glossy new book-

marks. Like the summer reading program for the public, staff read in a variety of genre and wrote reviews of their books to earn prizes.

"We strongly believe that life-long reading is important; this was an easy decision to make," said Library Director Metta Lansdale.

"We wanted to put our money where our mouth is."

Lights festival set for Dec. 4-6

The Festival of Lights committee has begun meeting for the event to be held on Dec. 4-6. The three-day event will showcase many of the activities that were featured last year. Some new activities are also being planned.

The Home Decorating Contest will be a featured event again. And the deadline to enter is Tues., Dec. 1.

The Gingerbread House Building Competition is being planned once again and more details will follow for that family and business activity.

A craft show is being added on Saturday, Dec. 5 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the First Congregational Church.

The Preservation Chelsea walking tours will also originate from the First Congrega-

tional Church on Saturday. Tours will be held at 1 and 2 p.m.

The merchants are planning special events and sales for this holiday weekend.

The committee is asking for any merchants, organizations, or individuals who would like to participate to call the Chamber office (475-1145) for meeting dates and times.

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Correction
An article in the Sept. 10 edition about the Cavanaugh Lake sewer stated Calvin Clark found out he could write a petition against the sewer and was one of the organizers. Clark did not write the petition. He circulated it as part of a group after it was written by other residents.

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Community Education Chelsea School District

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Sign Language - Mondays, Sept. 21 - Nov. 9; Beginning 7-8 p.m.; Continuing 8-9 p.m.; Pierce Lake Media Center. Enter the world of deaf and hearing impaired.

Introduction to Computers and Keyboarding - Tuesdays, Sept. 22-Oct. 6, 6-8 p.m. Beach Computer Lab. Get started on the computer.

Taking Pictures-Like a Pro - Tuesdays, Sept. 22-Nov. 10; 7-8 p.m., Room 409 Community Education Center. Tips for taking great looking pictures.

Making Your Garden Flower All Season - Wednesdays, Sept. 23 - Oct. 14, 7-9 p.m., Room 405, Community Education Center. Learn perennial tips for your garden.

Bridge Basics - Thursdays, Sept. 24-Nov. 12, 7:30 -9:30 p.m., Room 405, Community Education Center. Get started with this fun game!

Have Fun with Your Guitar - Mondays, Sept. 28-Nov. 2, 7:30-9 p.m. Beach Choir Room. Learn how to play the guitar.

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No Nonsense Writing Seminar - Mondays, Sept. 28 - Oct. 26, 7:30-9:30 p.m., High School Media Center. Get tips from author Lowell Cauffiel.

All About Herbs - Tuesday, Sept. 29, 7-9 p.m., Rm 402 Community Education Center. Find out about the healing elements of herbs.

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Clock Tower gets facelift

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

Chelsea's most prominent landmark, the Clock Tower, has been getting a facelift the last few months, as McKinley Commercial, which owns the building, has put in new windows and spruced up the facade.

Over the course of six weeks, custom-made glass has replaced aging windows throughout the building, according to Jill Bossory, senior property manager at McKinley. The new windows have opened up the building to light, which was blocked by the black-tinted windows that were in before the restoration.

Bossory said that though the renovations are proceeding, McKinley has not signed too many people to rent space in the structure. The tower currently has three tenants, with two vacant suites undergoing refurbishment.

The third floor is entirely bare with only windows and concrete pillars as furnishings. Bossory said it will likely be renovated for commercial

use. "At this point in time, we're still unsure about what we're going to do with the building," Bossory said. "We have a ton of options out there."

Thomas Parr of Holland & Associates, which rents a suite on the second floor of the building, said he appreciates the renovations McKinley has made to the building. He said they promised to spend some money to fix the building and have followed through on heating, plumbing and air conditioning, as well as the windows.

Parr said the new windows are an improvement over the last windows, primarily because they don't leak.

Parr said he also likes the clock tower because it's in a good spot for his business, which searches for company executives throughout the United States. He said easy access to an airport is especially important, but he also likes to be associated with Chelsea's landmark.

Aside from commercial uses, Bossory said McKinley has agreed to allow the Lions Club to use the building for its haunted house for this year's Halloween. The club will use the facility for two weeks.



Chelsea's Clock Tower recently received new windows to let light into the landmark's offices. Above: light streams into the third floor. Right: workers install the custom-made glass. Below: the downtown view is now unobscured.



Chamber to hold breakfast

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a breakfast meeting from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. Sept. 29. Members and the public are invited to hear a talk about Chelsea's master plan presented by Brad Strater of The Strater Group Inc.

The master plan is a long-term guide to future decisions on land use, community character, traffic, village facilities and services and infrastructure.

The breakfast will be \$3. For more information and reservations, call Sue Starkey at 475-1145.

Seniors to host craft show Oct. 3

Chelsea Senior Citizens will hold its annual fall craft show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 3 at the old Chelsea High School. The center will accept donations Thursday and Friday before the event of baked goods, plants or crafts to be sold as part of the fundraiser.

For more information call the senior center at 475-9242.

CHS students named merit semi-finalists

Two students from Chelsea High School have been named National Merit Scholarship semi-finalists. Isaac W. Robinson and Erik A. Strahler will compete for scholarship money based on the Scholastic Achievement Tests, a common measure of preparation for college.

State senator to hold coffee hours

Senator Alma Wheeler Smith will hold coffee hours from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Oct. 19 and Pierce's Pastries Plus, 103 W. Middle St. The informal coffee hours allow constituents to talk about a variety of issues.

Nutrition center helps homebound

The Senior Nutrition Program, located in the Faith in Action building, provides high quality, dinner-type meals each week day for senior citizens who are homebound because of illness or disability.

This service is provided to any homebound senior who is over the age of 60 and who lives in the Chelsea and Manchester areas. The meals are delivered to the home each day around noon.

Other services available for homebound seniors include frozen meals for use over the weekend; emergency meals for use when the center is closed due to severe weather; and discounted prices for the liquid supplement Ensure.

A donation of \$2 per meal is requested. To receive Ensure liquid supplements you must provide a doctor's request for this service. The price for Ensure is \$15 for 24 cans.

The nutrition program also provides on-site meals and activities each weekday for seniors over the age of 60. The Senior Nutrition Center is located in the Faith in Action building near the corner of Main and Van Buren streets.

For further information about any of the services, call Arlene Larson at 475-0160, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. or 475-2086, 1 p.m.-8 p.m.

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Chelsea Village

Hit and Run Accident

A 62-year-old Rives Junction woman told police at 2:46 p.m. Sept. 8 that her car had been damaged in the parking lot of Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St. Her car was parked and someone struck her bumper.

Recovered Auto

Police were driving through the municipal parking lot at 12:05 a.m. Sept. 5 when they noticed a pickup truck that matched the description of a truck reported stolen. A license check revealed the truck had been stolen and registered to a Chelsea man. The man said he did not know about the stolen vehicle, but advised police that another Chelsea man last had the truck.

Forgery

Police received a call from Arbor Drugs, 1125 S. Main St., at 5:46 p.m. Sept. 8 that someone was trying to purchase medication with a forged prescription. The store had contacted the doctor, who verified that the prescription was false. A 28-year-old Stockbridge man was arrested. The man admitted he had forged the prescription, trying to get some pain pills.

Warrant Arrest

Rodney Lynn Riley, 19, of Lansing was arrested at 3:50 p.m. Sept. 12. Riley was stopped on several traffic violations, but was found to have a misdemeanor warrant for possession of marijuana out of Lansing, a criminal bench warrant for failure to appear out of Clinton County and a misdemeanor warrant for possession of marijuana out of Ingham County.

Larceny

Police responded to a theft call at the Schoolhouse Apartments, 209 Park St. at 5:18 a.m. Sept. 12. A Chelsea man reported that someone had opened his gas tank and stolen gas from his vehicle. Thirteen other vehicles in the parking lot also had gas stolen.

General Assistance

Three vehicles were taken away at 7:33 a.m. Sept. 8 after a 45-year-old Chelsea man reported it they had been abandoned at the Chelsea Community Fair demolition derby. A Chevrolet Caprice, a Dodge Colt and a Lincoln Continental were abandoned.

Dexter Village

Inhalation of Chemical Agent

A 17-year-old Dexter girl was found sniffing spray paint near a rail trestle at 4:30 p.m. Sept. 7 in the 8100 block of Main Street. The girl was holding a sock covered in gold spray paint. She said she has been seeing a counselor for the addiction.

Dexter Township

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported by a 28-year-old Ann Arbor woman at a home under construction in the 10500 block of North Territorial Road. The exterior door of the residence was broken between Sept. 2 and Sept. 3. Nothing inside was disturbed.

Recovered Stolen Property

A boat motor was returned to its owner at 4:49 p.m. Sept. 3 after someone purchased it but realized it was stolen. A 28-year-old Dexter woman told police she purchased the motor from a 38-year-old Brighton man who brought it by the Portage Marine Inc., 9627 Dexter-Pinckney Road, where she works. The woman said she had no idea the motor was stolen when she purchased it. The motor was returned to a 42-year-old Brighton Man, who reported it stolen Aug. 30.

Violation of Restraining Order

A 47-year-old Ann Arbor man entered a house on McGregor Road at 9:40 p.m. Sept. 4. He was angry at his daughter, 14, yelling at her for having a friend sleeping downstairs. The man hit the friend and he fled, then the father left the house. The mother returned home and found out the father had been in the house and called police. The father had a valid personal protection order against him.

Pick up Orders

Police responded to Dexter-Pinckney Road at 1:17 a.m. Sept. 5 on a pick up order out of Hamburg Police Department. Police transported a 14-year-old girl to Washtenaw County Jail without incident.

Drunken Driving

Police responded to a party on North Territorial Road at

3:19 a.m. Sept. 5. A car drove across a large field, then turned onto Huron River Drive. Police followed the vehicle and saw it cross the center line twice before they pulled over the driver. The driver, a 19-year-old Pinckney man, was asked to perform sobriety tests, then was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Police responded to a traffic crash at 6:21 p.m. Sept. 7 on Island Lake Road and Dexter Townhall Road. While enroute to the accident, police observed a car driving all over the road and stopped the vehicle. The driver, a 23-year-old Ann Arbor man, had to use the car for balance when he exited the vehicle. He failed a breath test, and was unable to speak English. He was taken to jail, where he met with a Spanish interpreter.

A 60-year-old witness said he heard a loud bang near his residence and saw a car had struck a tree. The driver and another man were trying to drive it out of a ditch. The two men pulled the car into the witness' driveway, but one left in another car.

Police stopped a car driving 70 in a 45 mile-per-hour zone at 1:30 a.m. Sept. 12 on Dexter-Pinckney Road. The driver, a 40-year-old Pinckney woman, was asked to perform sobriety tests, and was found to be intoxicated.

Warrant Arrest

Paul Avery Mayer, 31, of Ann Arbor was arrested at 12:59 a.m. Sept. 13. He was wanted on a bench warrant for failure to appear contempt of court out of Southfield. He was taken to jail without incident.

Larceny

A 49-year-old Dexter man told police his tractor was parked in his front yard for sale at 2:15 p.m. Sept. 9. He returned to his residence at 3:45 p.m. and found it missing. Total value is \$110.

Lima Township

Auto Theft

Two teens, a Chelsea boy and a 17-year-old Chelsea boy, were arrested following an accident on Fletcher Road near Jerusalem Road at 3 p.m. Sept. 6. The teens were driving in a pickup truck at a high rate of speed and lost control of the vehicle, which crashed. Bystanders called police, and the teens fled into a nearby corn field. The teens were found at a gas station where they were looking in other cars. The pickup truck was stolen. Total damage is \$1,000.

Lyndon Township

Arson of a motor vehicle

A car was found burned in the Joslin Lake Access Site at Boyce and Roepke roads at 2:51 p.m. Sept. 11. Sheriff's deputies assisted the fire department with a car fire and found the car destroyed. The car was found to be stolen and the suspects were joyriding when the car hit a pole. The thieves set the car on fire because they could not remove the car from the pole.

Larceny

A 37-year-old River Rouge man told police that his boat motor was stolen between 11 p.m. Sept. 5 and 8 a.m. Sept. 6 at the Sugar Loaf Campground at 5000 Loveland. The motor was attached to the front of the boat and was worth \$900.

Domestic Assault

A 26-year-old Lyndon Township woman was pushed by a 27-year-old Gregory man at 1:15 a.m. Sept. 5. The woman has a cast on her right hand.

Scio Township

Domestic Abuse

Two Scio Township residents, a 43-year-old man and a 39-year-old woman are undergoing a divorce. The two were at a bar at 9:15 p.m. when the woman asked her husband to drive her home. The man told police that she began hitting him and scratching his face. The man suffered scratches on his chin, mouth and was wear-

ing and shirt with blood stains on it. The man said his wife had been drinking heavily. She said she did not injure the man.

A 22-year-old Ann Arbor man told police that his mother, 47, assaulted him at 9 p.m. Sept. 4. He said she hid the keys to the car so he couldn't leave. He said he then went to his downstairs room and she entered, hitting him. The mother said she did not hide the keys, merely misplaced them. She went downstairs after the son started playing music loudly, but he shoved her out the door, where she hit her wrist.

A 31-year-old Ann Arbor woman told police that her husband, 33, returned home intoxicated at 12:30 a.m. Sept. 12. She said he grabbed her by the neck and pushed her into the bedroom, where she fell on the bed. He then began punching her in the neck. The man said he didn't do anything and there was no altercation. Both had been drinking.

Larceny

A snow plow was stolen from the front of a truck between 4:30 p.m. Sept. 4 and 10 a.m. Sept. 5. Police responded to Ann Arbor Auto, 410 Jackson Plaza, where an Ann Arbor man told them the plow had been unhitched from a vehicle at another Ann Arbor Machine location. Total value of the stolen property is \$3,000.

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had his watch and necklace stolen in a fraudulent card game at 8 p.m. Sept. 9 in the I-94 rest area near Baker Road. The man said he was told there was a drunk man who was losing money at cards. He went to investigate and found a card game in progress. Several other people won money so he tried to play the game, using his jewelry as collateral. He lost, and realized it was a scam. The suspects fled the scene. Total loss is \$1,400.

Several tools were stolen from a construction site in the 4000 block of Dexter Road between 5 p.m. July 24 and 8 a.m. July 27. A 34-year-old Ann Arbor man said a circular saw, several drills, a planer and nailers were among the items stolen for a total loss of \$4,831.34.

Breaking and Entering

A Tecumseh man, manager of Little Professor Books, 405B Little Lake Drive, told police that he arrived to his office at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 10 and found the store ransacked. Thieves had broken in the front door of the store and stolen several computers, exiting the south door. A landscaper said he had been doing work on the site at 9 p.m. the previous day and had not noticed anything

unusual, though he had reports of suspicious people around the site. Total taken was \$28,041 worth of computer equipment with \$2,500 damage.

Property Damage

Several tools were removed from a garage in the 2500 block of Blueberry Lane between 1 p.m. Aug. 9 and 1 p.m. Aug. 12. A 71-year-old Ann Arbor man told police the items were hanging in the garage. Total value is \$300.

Webster Township

Suspicious Incident

A dog was taken from a home in the 9800 block of Hermitage Way and relocated to a spot some 35 miles from its house. A 42-year-old Whitmore Lake man told police he received a call from the Humane Society that the dog was found and it was returned.

Breaking and Entering

Three motorcycles and some tools were stolen between 10 p.m. Sept. 3 and 2:30 p.m. Sept. 4 in the 6800 block of Strawberry Lake Road. Some mail was found on the driveway and police suspected it could have been the thief's. But when checked, the mail was traced to an auto that had been stolen, and the owner was not involved in the second theft. Total taken was \$2,070.

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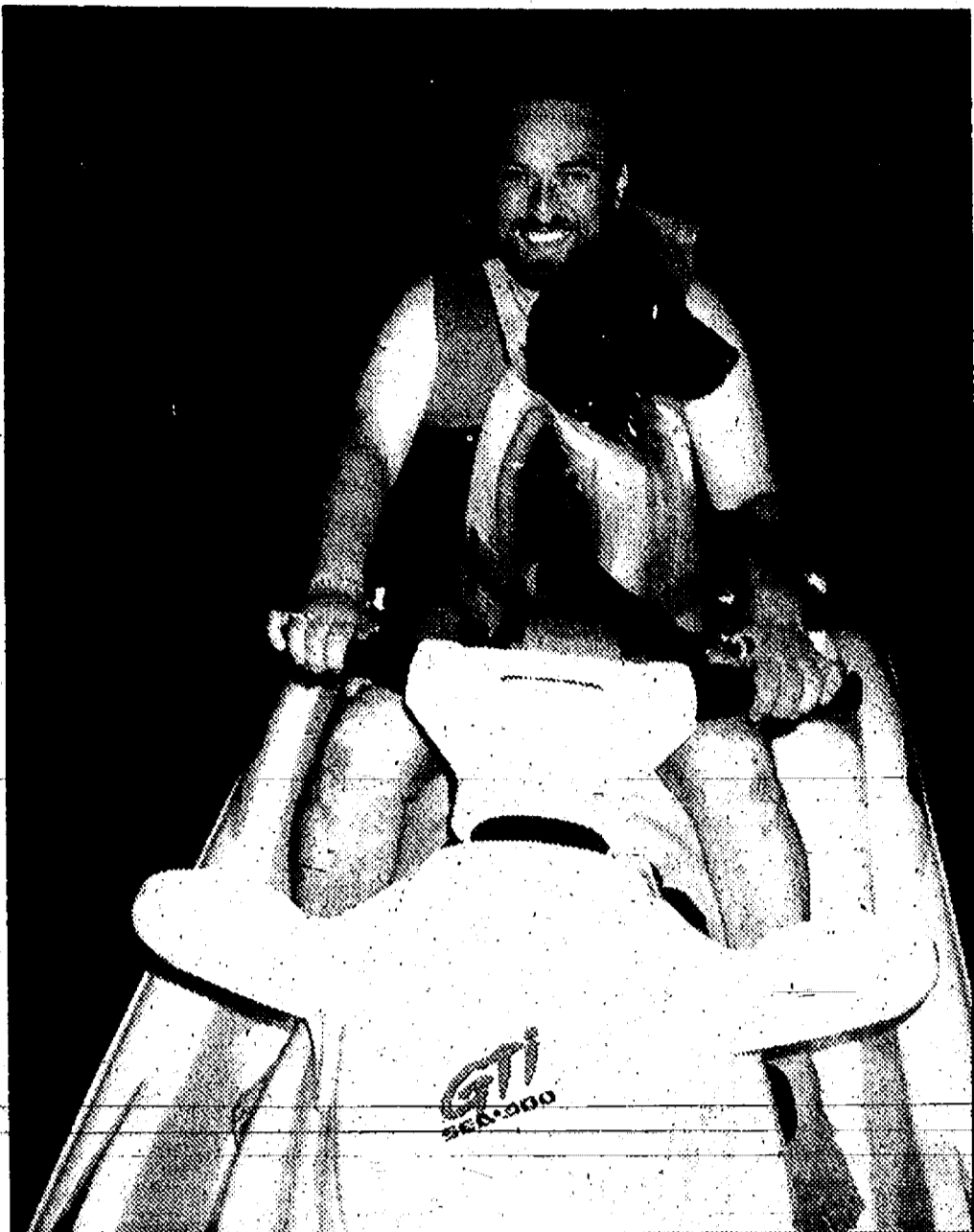
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Dexter High grad attends international convention

The Eastern Michigan University Chapter of Gold Key National Honor Society sent three members to the 1998 International Convention in Beverly Hills, Calif., including 1994 Dexter High School graduate Connie Ledwidge. Ledwidge is the 1998-99 president of Golden Key National Honor Society at Eastern Michigan University. She will graduate cum laude from EMU in December with a bachelor of business administration. As president, Ledwidge hopes to increase com-

munity service projects including the America Reads Program, tutoring at the Parkridge Community Center, and planting pine streets in the area. Ledwidge also attended the 1997 International Convention held in Atlanta as publicity coordinator and webpage designer. Ledwidge was among 1,000 delegates from around the world at the conference. There are now over 260 Golden Key chapters in the United States, Malaysia, Puerto Rico, Canada, Australia and the Virgin

Islands. There are over 800,000 lifetime members. "Our new advisor, Dr. William Miller — Director of the University Honors Program — has volunteered to direct the chapter at EMU. He has been wonderful to work with and I look forward to helping out as an alum in the future," Ledwidge said. Miller is from Dexter. The three members attended sessions at the conference relating to making the EMU chapter better. They also went to the Santa Monica Pier,

and attended the annual awards luncheon. Last year, the chapter won the most improved chapter award at the International Convention. Membership is only open to the top 15 percent of junior and senior undergraduates. Gold Key National Honor Society recognizes academic excellence in all fields of study, uniting diverse individuals while nurturing and rewarding academic efforts of top students.

School signals more walker crashes

With the school year underway, children ages 5-18 who are pedestrians are more likely to become crash victims during the morning hours on the way to school and in the afternoon hours returning home from school, according to SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. "The data show a higher in-

cidence of crashes involving school-age pedestrians between 8 and 9 a.m. and again from 3 to 4 p.m.," notes Tom Bruff, SEMCOG senior transportation engineer. "This increase is more pronounced during September and October, the beginning of the school year when the weather is still nice." The highest incidence of

accidents involving school-age pedestrians occurs weekdays between 3 and 4 p.m. Half of those accidents involve elementary school children, 25 percent are middle school students and 25 percent are high school age. "Motorists driving in the vicinity of schools should be extra alert watching out for chil-

dren," said Bruff. In 1997, 15 school-age children, ages 5-18, were fatally injured as pedestrians; another 723 suffered less serious injury in the seven-county Southeast Michigan region, according to the crash data statistics compiled from the Michigan State Police, Office of Highway Safety Planning.

Safety First

St. Mary's Church's new priest the Rev. Dr. William Turner spends his time off tooling around Cavanaugh Lake with his dog Hal. The pooch apparently hasn't learned the doggy paddle, requiring a life vest for his tour around the lake.

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NEA offers tips for successful school year

The beginning of a new school year can be the start of a journey toward success if parents, students and teachers work together. Here are some suggestions from the National Education Association for parents who want to help their children start the new school year right.

- The first day jitters: Start talking now about the upcoming school year and the first day of classes. Discuss what to expect on the first day — catching up with old friends and meeting new ones, learning classroom rules and finding out what's ahead. Take note of how you feel about your child going off to school. If you're anxious, try not to communicate it.

- If you're new to the area, take time to visit the school before classes begin. Walk, drive or show your child the bus route to familiarize him or her with the trip to school.
- Getting to know you: Make time to get to know your child's teacher and classroom aide. Let the teacher know that you appreciate feedback on your child's progress — both positive and negative.
- Alert the teacher to anything out of the ordinary that's going on with your child or family. Make a point of meeting other school staff members: the principal, school secretary, bus driver, cafeteria staff and others who work at the school.
- The better you know the school and how it operates,

- the more likely your child will be to have a productive and positive school experience.
- A place of one's own: Whether it's a bedroom desk or a kitchen table, every child needs a regular place to study and complete homework. This area should be well lighted and equipped with school supplies like paper, pencils and a dictionary. Siblings should respect the time set aside for studying and not distract the child who is doing homework.
- Kids (and parents) love routines: Set aside a specific time for studying every night. Discuss with your child what time of day would work best. Right after school? Just before dinner? Immediately following dinner?

- If your child attends an after-school program, find out if students will be expected to do homework there. If your child completes homework assignments away from home, plan to review the work at a set time every night.
- If homework already has been completed, have the child use study time for reading or reviewing problem areas.
- Create high expectations: To learn, children must believe that they can learn. As the parent, you are the most important adult in your child's life. The feedback you give your child — what you say and do about his or her abilities — will have a lasting impact on your child's self-confidence.

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Every year the "Golden Shoe" award is given as part of the CROP walk. The walk begins at 1:30 p.m. Oct. 4 at St. Paul United Church of Christ. This year the walk is raising money for hunger relief.

CROP walk to raise funds for hunger relief

The 11th annual Chelsea CROP Walk for hunger begins at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 4, at St. Paul United Church of Christ at 14800 Old US-12.

This annual walk brings together church groups of many denominations in the Chelsea area in a united effort to raise funds for hunger relief and development efforts in the United States and over 70 countries worldwide.

Chelsea CROP Walk '97 raised \$11,032.64 and received a \$279.72 matching "challenge" grant from the Feinstein Foundation for a total of \$11,312.36. Twenty-five percent of the CROP Walk funds (\$2,758.16) were returned to our community for local efforts to alleviate hunger and suffering. These funds are administered by Faith In Action.

Again this year, sponsored walkers will receive a specially designed CROP T-shirt courtesy of Gina's Cafe. Balloons, buttons and stickers will add to the fun. A 10-kilometer (6.2 mile) walk and one-mile walk are available.

Sponsor forms can be obtained through 12 local congregations or by calling Janet Rosentreter at 475-1438 or Larry Wiedmayer at 475-99091. Nonwalkers can help by sponsoring walkers, volunteering to attend rest stops, providing refreshments or helping with registration. Please contact Jan Roberts at 475-3615.

Special gold recognition pins will be given to walkers raising \$100 or more. Top walkers at each church will receive a "walking partner" bracelet. The "Golden Sneak-

Fitness class offered for senior citizens

The Chelsea Senior Nutrition Program and Washtenaw Community College have a new fitness class for senior citizens called Fitness Over 65.

The class is offered through Washtenaw Community College's Emeritus program and will be held at the Chelsea Nutrition Program, which is located in the Faith in Action building near the corner of Main and Van Buren streets.

Nia Aquire will lead the class each Wednesday from 1-2 p.m. Classes will begin Sept. 23 and end Nov. 25. Registration will be taken at the first class period.

The class is free of charge but you must be 65 years or older to participate.

If you have further questions, please contact Arlene Larson, nutrition program site manager. She can be reached at 475-0160 from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. or 475-2086 from 1:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

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Currently, the phase-outs start at \$150,000 for a married couple and \$95,000 for a single person. The limits will be

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When the beneficiary starts college, he can make withdrawals from the IRA to pay for tuition, books and any required supplies or equipment required.

Room and board for students attending full time also will be covered. The money taken out will not be taxable. If an amount over the necessary expenses is taken out, it will be taxable and probably subject to the 10 percent penalty.

You can also rollover the funds to another family member.

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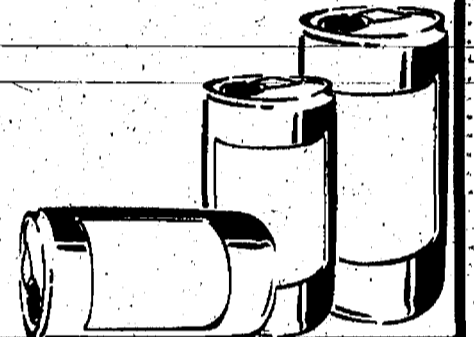
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NEWS FROM DEXTER

Scio Township debates merits of tax abatements

By Michael Rybka
Staff Writer

Gerald Stankovich, manager of Dexter Stamping Co., along with Donna Shirilla of the Washtenaw Development Council, petitioned the Scio Township Board Sept. 9 to designate the stamping operation an industrial development site.

This would entitle Dexter Stamping to a 50 percent reduction of its entire tax obligation for 1-12 years as determined by the board.

Dexter Stamping is pursuing the tax abatement, said Stankovich, to ease the financial burden of a proposed 10,000 square foot expansion.

It is estimated to cost a half million dollars with an additional million to be spent on equipment.

Stankovich said the expanded business base could lead to additional employment opportunities in the area.

Dexter Stamping has hired five people in the last month to bring its total payroll up to 8. Stankovich estimated that 20 percent are from the Scio Township area while the rest reside in Ypsilanti, Jackson and other outlying areas.

According to Supervisor Robert Tickle, townships are empowered to grant tax abatements under the auspices of state statute. The

statute was originally written for the specific purpose of inducing businesses that benefit the state, at large, to stay in Michigan.

Later, Tickle said, it was expanded to lure businesses beneficial to Michigan from other states.

It was never intended, said Tickle, that every applicant be awarded an abatement.

According to Township Manager Spaulding Clark, the granting of tax abatements in Scio Township peaked in the mid to late '80s. Allied Inc. was one company that benefited during that period. The tax abatement status ends this year.

The trend lost momentum in the '90s. Nevertheless, Malloy Lithographing Inc. was awarded such status in 1992 while Pilot Industries Inc. and Gelman Sciences Inc. were approved in 1996.

Pilot Industries has a multi-level agreement, the latest which will expire in 2007. Gelman Sciences' was revoked last year when it failed to comply with a precondition related to discharging contaminated water into Honey Creek.

Tickle made it clear that he would like to see the current state of infrequent tax abatements continue.

"I've already explained my philosophy on tax abatement at some length recently, so I won't repeat it," said Tickle, to open the discussion.

Trustee Jerry Schleicher seconded Tickle's viewpoint.

"Tax abatements are not

my favorite route to encourage business," said Schleicher. "One benefits at the expense of others."

When Stankovich was asked how the township would benefit from such an arrangement, his answer brought no evident enthusiasm from the board. It appeared that the request would be put to rest.

But then, Trustee James Cameron spoke up.

"It's apparent from the stony silence that I differ with most of the members of the board on this issue."

Cameron said that the board should help out valuable taxpayers of long-standing who want to expand and improve their business, ultimately, to the township's benefit.

Cameron refused to back down when asked by Tickle and Schleicher on whether the abatements should be granted to anyone who applies or by size.

Cameron said that they should be taken case by case.

Tickle was not convinced. "Almost all requests would be a general statement of this nature," said Tickle. "In the interest of fairness, if you support one you're signing on to support all."

"As a lawyer, I don't necessarily believe in absolute precedent," said Cameron. "But you do believe in clear and present danger?" asked Tickle.

Cameron acknowledged that he did, but that would have no effect on his not wanting to reject such requests out

of hand. Along the way, Cameron won support from Clerk Gay Konschuh and Treasurer Donna Palmer, tipping the scale of the debate.

Tickle countered by offering other reasons.

"Most businesses in our township are not eligible for a tax abatement," said Tickle. "Yet, those that are not eligible may benefit the township just as much as this business. Or, in some cases, more."

"When people come in seeking a tax abatement for improvements, those improvements will almost invariably take place whether a tax abatement is granted or not."

"If a business proposed to move into Washtenaw County and the only thing preventing them from making that move into Scio Township was a tax abatement, I'd be in favor of it."

Tickle said responsibility for tax abatements should be taken on by the state and not passed on to the townships.

The debate switched to the dollars and cents impact a new industrial development district would have on the township.

Schleicher said it was in-

significant while Cameron argued that any amount was valuable. Palmer said that the utility fund would see an increase in revenues while Schleicher countered that utilities don't make money.

Schleicher said the area on Jackson Road was the agreed upon area for growth. That area, said Schleicher, had already taxed the township's limits to provide utilities. To allow for growth anywhere else would further strain the water supply and weaken the infrastructure.

Tickle said that, in one sense, the township has already extended a blanket tax abatement by wisely managing its money. Tickle compared the one mill operating cost to Dexter and Ann Arbor's 16 mill levy.

Palmer said that, because the factory lies within the Dexter School District, its levy basis would be substantially more.

Cameron finally decided it was time to move on to other matters. It was agreed to find out what specific monetary windfall the township would receive by the granting of an abatement.

The issue will be returned to on Oct. 14.

Bates Elementary School addition approved by board

The Dexter School Board voted unanimously, Sept. 8, to approve the plans to add a 3,850-square-foot addition to Bates Elementary School's existing 36,000 square feet and renovate the existing structure.

The construction will serve to convert Bates from a third- and fourth-grade elementary school to a K-2 setting. This transition is expected to be completed by the fall of 2000.

Peter Sarelis of Kingscott Associates presented an external drawing of his own design based on input from Bates staff and faculty.

The new addition will be located on the existing building's east side. It will be used for a gymnasium, allowing the old gymnasium to be used exclusively as a cafeteria. Currently, it serves both purposes. A relatively small amount of space will be used for an office and for a storage room. A hexagonal shape was

chosen for the gymnasium from many available design options. Sarelis said that the form required the least amount of demolition and took up the least amount of space.

The latter was an important consideration so it would not intrude on the picturesque hills or the children's outdoor gymnastics and play area, which are also located on the east side of the campus.

The construction area is now occupied by portable classrooms. A decision on what to do with them will have to be made before any construction can take place. Both the school board and the staff and faculty in attendance spoke in favor of keeping the temporary structures rather than selling them.

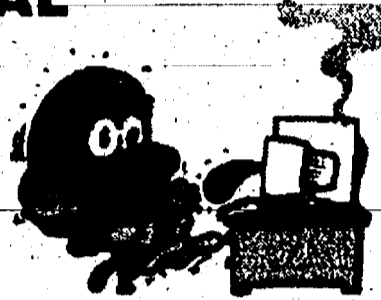
Board member Paul White, while trying to formulate a time frame, noted that construction was due to begin in spring.

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Trip gives new appreciation for leisurely transportation

Before you pass judgment on my missing a week of my column (i.e. last week if you hadn't noticed) let me explain exactly why I just plain ran out of time to write an extra 500 words.



ERIC BOWEN

A CLOSER LOOK

It all started on Friday afternoon when I left early from work to ensure I would make it all the way up to Traverse City to start my Labor Day holiday. My partner and I had planned a grand weekend on South Manitou Island, camping out in the back country of Michigan's famous bear cub, but the trip went a little awry.

The first leg of the trip started out just fine. We got our backpacks loaded up with couscous in a box, "just add water" pancakes and dried Italian Frittata, then headed out on the road.

Driving north along several innocuous freeways, highways and parkways led us to Traverse City without too much trouble. We pulled into our gorgeous bed and breakfast that was set back behind an apple orchard and carried in our gear for the next day.

We arose at 7:39, which was approximately 39 minutes later than we should have woken up, only because my partner has a sixth sense about time. She woke up on her own despite my inability to figure out how to set the alarm in our room. Luckily our breakfast was waiting for us when we went downstairs, and we ate a hearty meal of muffins, bacon and French toast.

After leaving the last vestiges of civilization we would see for the rest of the weekend, we drove part way down the driveway, but we couldn't pass up the Macintoshes and Ida Reds just beginning to ripen on the limbs of the orchard. We stopped and gathered an armful before heading off to our next destination.

We were already pressed for time, but figured we could make it to a nearby scuba diving shop to rent snorkeling equipment. This was one of our primary reasons for going to the island, having read in a travel article that the shipwrecks were near enough to the surface that we could see them without trouble. So we would have felt cheated if hadn't gone.

That's when the trouble started.

We made a wrong turn out of the bed and breakfast, ending up driving around who knows where before we found a road we recognized and made it into town. Chock up

five minutes of lost time. Despite the delay, we arrived at the dive shop just after it opened, but we found two groups of divers ahead of us. Apparently they had been waiting at the door when the store opened.

They were getting loaded up with tanks and wetsuits, flippers and sinking weights. One guy even wanted a snorkel as a backup. Needless to say we didn't get out of there on schedule. Add another 34 minutes late.

Ferries to the islands leave from a town called Leland, which normally would be about 45 minutes from Traverse City. But today for some reason every car we came to was going about 10 miles and hour below the speed limit. Apparently this was the day for Sunday drivers on Saturday. Add another 10 minutes of lost time.

OK let's add it up: 39 minutes late waking up, five minutes on the drive, 34 minutes for the overly prepared scuba divers with 10 minutes for the slowpokes, and what do you get — a missed boat.

"So there are no more boats today?" I ask pitifully. "No," the boat woman answers. "You're here 10 minutes late."

Well now that I've taken up so much space with the beginning, I'll condense the rest of the trip a little bit. We went on the boat the next day and had a great time camping. There were a few mishaps, but for the most part things went well. One side note though, we went snorkeling the next morning and it was too choppy to see the shipwreck. However, we were informed by an extremely helpful individual that the water was great yesterday and the wreck looked amazing underwater.

So I guess I'm left to ponder the audacity of a form of transportation leaving on time (think Northwest Airlines) and to imagine the shipwrecks in their glory. Maybe they're better left to the imagination, anyway.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

District seeks unchallengeable position

Thanks to Superintendent Ed Richardson and school administrators for starting this new school year with a new agenda. It is great to know that the efforts of concerned parents could bring about such quick results.

Review of the Student-Parent Handbook and the new Athletic Code of Conduct with students in assembly and in classrooms will help ensure an informed population of children, and will strengthen the school district's unchallengeable position when enforcement is deemed necessary.

I would also suggest that the Athletic Code of Conduct and the Student-Parent Handbook be reviewed with parents in the same type of assembly and classroom settings. This way the school district's position of authority will be established clearly, and its policies of enforcement will be cemented without a hint of the former problems that existed with the old Athletic Code of Conduct's "due process." Punishment could then be meted out whenever necessary, without concern for parental or legal intervention.

You are strengthening your grip on this community's families while making Chelsea school children and parents well informed. Your efforts on your own behalf have not gone unnoticed.

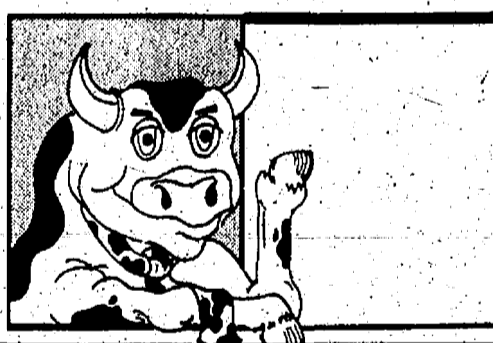
Concerned parents and community members are glad to see that our efforts have moved the administration to seek an even stronger and more unchallengeable position of authority over the children and families in this district. Thanks Superintendent Ed Richardson and school administrators.

Dorothy Fillinger

Behavior has natural consequences

Thank you to The Chelsea Standard for filling us in on the recent history that has caused the Athletic Code of

Prosecutor mooing at the wrong cow



UNCLE APOLLO

First of all, let me say this about that. The special prosecutor's report is full of innuendo, flights of imagination, visions derived from illegal drug-induced states, truths stretched beyond their reasonable limits, and downright lies.

This zealot, in his fury to discredit and embarrass us, has gone beyond all bounds of decency to make public allegations that are not his business, or the business of the good people of this Village.

Let me say that none of the charges brought forward by the prosecutor are anywhere near like peaches. I don't even like peaches, and I never buy them. To suggest that he could confiscate these peaches for his nefarious purposes is simply ridiculous. In fact, he can come on over to

Conduct, for some, to be unpopular. As parents of a current high school athlete, and as former high school competitors, we fully support the code of conduct.

We could talk at length about teaching morals and values to our youth. But high school students really are past learning right from wrong. They've been taught and they know. Let's not insult their intelligence or insight.

What seems to be the tough lesson here is that all behavior leads to natural consequences. If you touch a hot stove, you get burned. If you don't do your school work, you fail the course. If you break the law, you pay the repercussions.

If the athletes who chose to break the law, let's say by speeding in their cars, and were caught by a state trooper, being on the varsity football team would mean nothing. Nor should it... speeding is dangerous and hence, the laws are in place to protect us.

Likewise, I want protection by law from those who choose to break and enter, drink under age, steal, etc. These are sensible laws. The consequences make sense, too. Why should an athlete, a clergy person, or anyone get off easy because of a role they are in?

The tax dollars and fund raising money we pay is meant to support programs for kids who are willing to sacrifice "messaging around" for goofing off if it crosses the bounds of right and wrong. The football players who broke the law messed up. They're not awful people, but to dismiss their behavior and not follow through with natural consequences gives them a false message. Because, if they were 21 and did the same, they would face jail time.

Let's teach our high school students reality, half the games missed or not.

One last thought is a concern about the mention that the athletes' behavior had not been discussed "at any meeting of the school board or in any other public forum." What a shame!

my place and confiscate every peach he can find, since he won't find any because I don't have any. Or if he gives me a little notice I'll go buy a bunch of rotten ones that he can find and take home with him. So there.

On the first count he cites, the record shows clearly that I was the one who bought the beef cattle at the Chelsea Fair. I still have the receipts from '93 through '98 and I have built a cool house for Arf with the bones. Thing is, I gotta buy another cow every year because Arf has a way of eating the walls and I gotta replace them with something.

But the point is that Arlotta never purchased any cows herself. These claims of my fronting for her bovine slave operations are completely unsubstantiated. I never gave her any ribs or crown roasts, either. In fact, I never gave her any meat, and I certainly never had her over for dinner.

Anyone who knows Arlotta knows the cannibalism charges are contrived. She would never consider eating a cousin, no matter how well he was cooked.

And the claim of animal cruelty is also just simply, well, stupid. I never even

Denial about problems in Chelsea has proved disastrous... teenage suicides, homicide, drug and alcohol use. We've learned that burying our heads in the sand produces one thing — sandy heads and pain.

Let's rally, talk openly, and give your youth one thing they can really count on — public honesty. We want our youth to count on us, know where we stand and to really learn responsibility as citizens and humans.

Judy and Steve Gentz

Veterans grateful for parade support

We were leading the Chelsea parade marching with our American Flag leading the way. It is a long march from the beginning to the end. But the sun was shining, the temperature was right and the crowd that lined the streets could not be beat. It was a beautiful day to show our pride and respect for our symbol of freedom and liberty.

I think I can speak for the marching veterans when I say thank you to all those wonderful Americans who stood, clapped their hands, put their hand over their heart or saluted as we marched by with our American Flag. That was a great exhibition of national pride.

It makes us march even prouder to experience outpouring of American pride as we marched by you Chelsea parade watchers. Thank you all very much for showing such great respect for all that our great flag represents.

As we march by, we do not always look your way. But as you show your respect, take a good look and you will probably see us marching a little taller, sucking in our stomachs, holding our heads up a little higher and watch for our chests to fill with pride.

Chelsea parade watchers, you are the best. We will see you again next year proudly presenting our American flag in the Chelsea parade. A very sincere thank you from all veterans to you.

John F. Kinzinger

Street Talk

By Amanda Tarantowski

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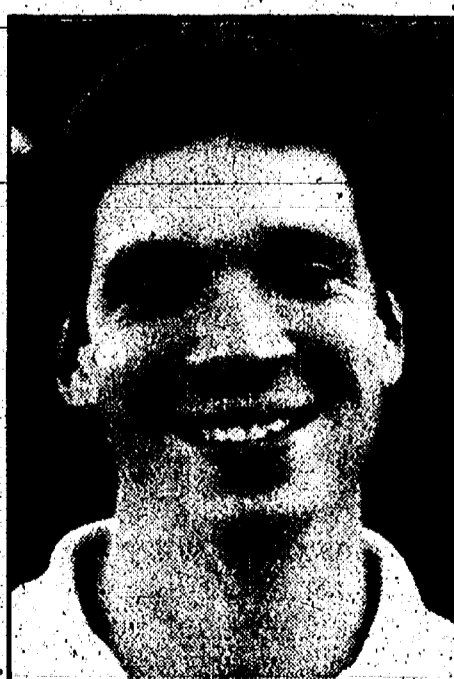
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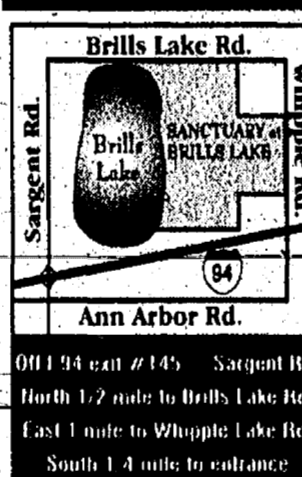
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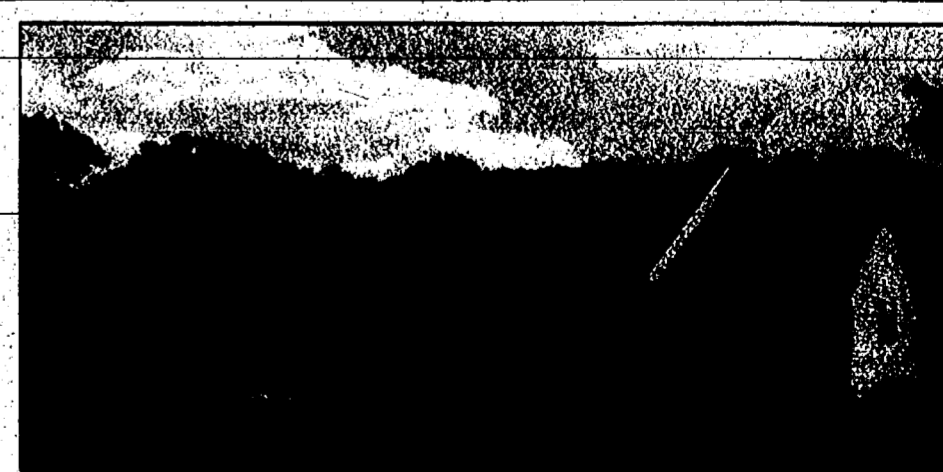
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JERRY D. POSEY

ABOUT THE OUTDOORS

'Tis nearly season for deer fever

It's that time of the year again. The kids have noticed dad has been spending a lot of time lately, looking through the old hunting magazines he's read at least a dozen times.

The Mrs. finds him digging into the back of the closets searching for his old hunting clothes that he hasn't even seen since the last hunting season ended. And the dog seems to know the old man has something important on his mind too. He hasn't had a pat on the head for almost a week now.

This is the routine that takes place in many households about this time of the year, each and every year. The guns have to be cleaned up, the boots have to be smeared with waterproofing, and the worn out hunting clothes must once again be dropped into the wife's lap for their annual patch and repair job.

This is a common malady, usually referred to as White-tail Fever. It is not a fatal disease, only a disturbing condition that can be cured, or at least kept under control, by getting more exercise, preferably in the woods. A speedy recovery can usually be obtained quicker if the afflicted person is made to carry some heavy, clumsy object as he does this walking in the woods. Often a shotgun or deer rifle will be about the required weight.

Although this sickness is very contagious it is recommended that the patient be allowed to associate freely with others who show signs of having the same illness. It seems to keep the afflicted ones mind occupied and reduces the chance of them picking up the bad habit of talking to themselves.

The suspected fever carrier will seem to have an unusual attraction to the sporting department of any department store or mall visited during this incubation period. He will often insist on being allowed to purchase items that he already has too many of. The need for a couple more pairs of hunting socks, an extra pair of gloves and several more boxes of shotgun shells seems to be driven by some inner force.

It is often best for this persons associates or better halves to give in to these desires rather than further irritate the disease with a firm refusal that can bring on worse symptoms, such as pouting, dirty looks and mumbling under the breath.

The patient will also talk constantly, usually about things like deer habits, rack sizes, deer blinds, tree stands and deer hunting.

The more advanced cases will show an innate skill at changing an ongoing conversation into one about deer hunting. Most of the time the other parties in the conversation will not even realize that the subject has been changed.

It is at this point that others of a weaker constitution may be struck down by the same fever, especially if they are of the male gender and fall within the age bracket of between 14 and 84 years old. Those younger than that have not yet matured to the point where their testosterone levels are such that they can be brought to a boil by these kinds of conversations.

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Saline takes bite out of Bulldogs

By Dennis Mansfield

Sports Editor

The third time, or should we say third game, wasn't a charm for the Chelsea varsity football team on Sept. 12.

The Bulldogs (1-1, 0-1 SEC) clashed with Southeastern Conference rival Saline in the third game of the SEC Showcase at Eastern Michigan University, falling to the Hornets (2-0, 1-0 SEC), 49-33.

Chelsea rallied for 26 points in the second half, after falling behind 21-7 in the first two quarters.

Mike Holloway helped lead the charge for the Bulldogs, rushing for 169 yards and three touchdowns. That included a 70-yard romp in the second quarter to put Chelsea on the scoreboard.

Holloway also had two receptions for 30 yards, as Chelsea totaled 356 yards in offense.

Coach Brad Bush said his squad averaged eight yards per rushing attempt.

"We did some things offensively," Bush said. "We showed a great deal of heart. We got back into the game.

"But when you get that far behind, it's hard to come back all the way."

Saline opened a 28-7 lead in the third quarter, as Anthony Piazza ran a kickoff 95 yards for a score to open the second half.

The score was 35-7 before Bulldog quarterback Drew Henson (11-22 passing, 138 yards) teamed up with Rourke Skelton, lateraling to Skelton at the Saline 30-yard line.

Skelton (52 yards, 5 carries) was stopped just short of the end zone, but helped set up a TD run by Henson, who would score again on another 1-yard plunge three minutes later.

Holloway ended the scoring with a scoring run of 5 yards and another 1-yard TD romp late in the game.

Chelsea's final rushing tally was 218 yards on 33 attempts.

But Saline totaled 328 yards rushing on 43 carries and 487 yards in total offense.

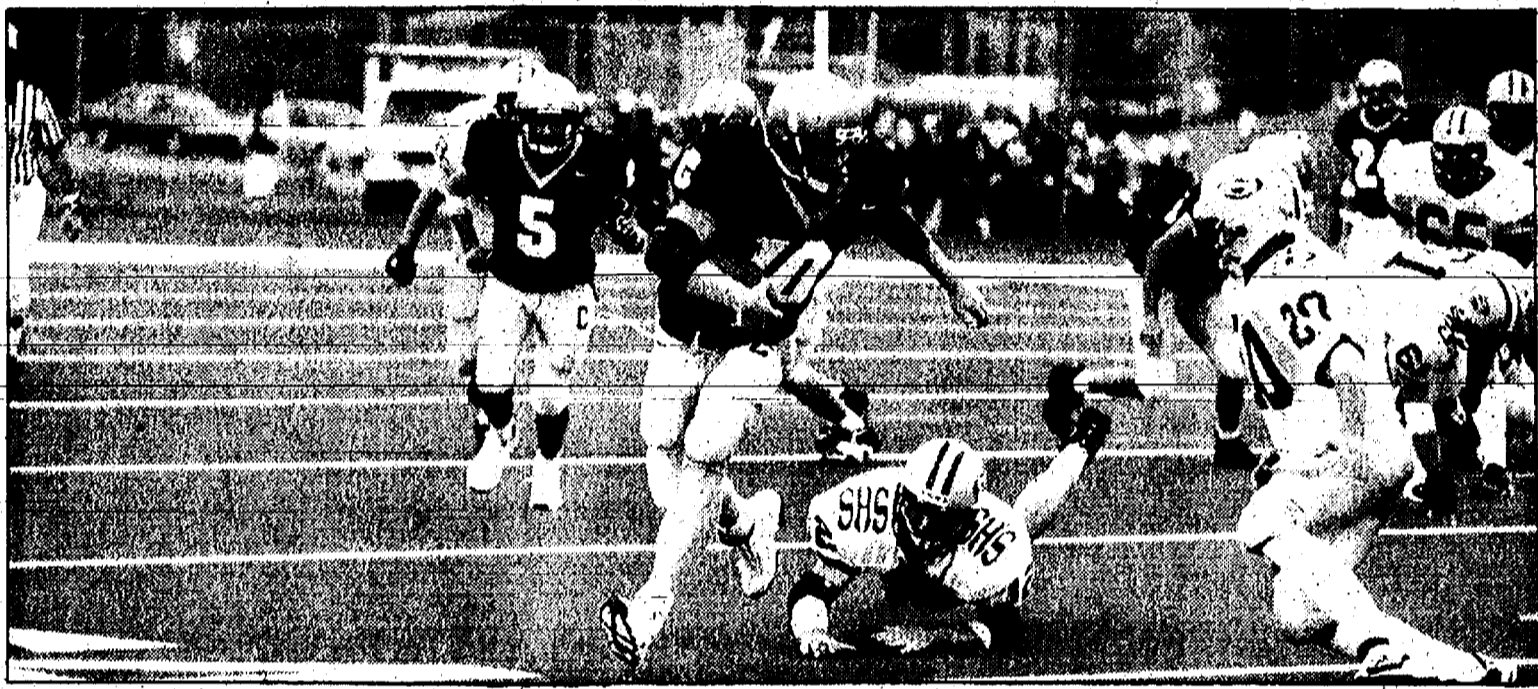
"We had some breakdowns," Bush said. "And they ran the ball effectively the last three quarters.

"I think our kids believe they can play at a championship level," he added. "I don't question their heart or desire, but we have to execute better."

And the margin for error doesn't get any bigger for the Bulldogs, as Chelsea prepares for Friday's home matchup against Milan (2-0, 1-0 SEC).

That means a matchup with the SEC's top defensive team and running back Tim James, who ran for 190 yards in Milan's 29-0 win in the final game of the Showcase at EMU.

"They haven't lost in three



Above: Chelsea varsity quarterback Drew Henson (#24) launches a pass during the Bulldogs' loss to Saline at EMU on Saturday. Left: Bulldog back Mike Holloway (#10) tries to break free of a Saline defender. Below: Linebacker Jim Mercer waits for a defensive call from the sidelines before passing it on to his teammates.

years in the regular season," Bush said. "That answers the question whether they're good or not."

But Bush said the Bulldogs could put an end to Milan's 24-game regular season win streak, if the gridders don't commit mistakes, like the three turnovers against Saline, that lead to points for the Big Reds.

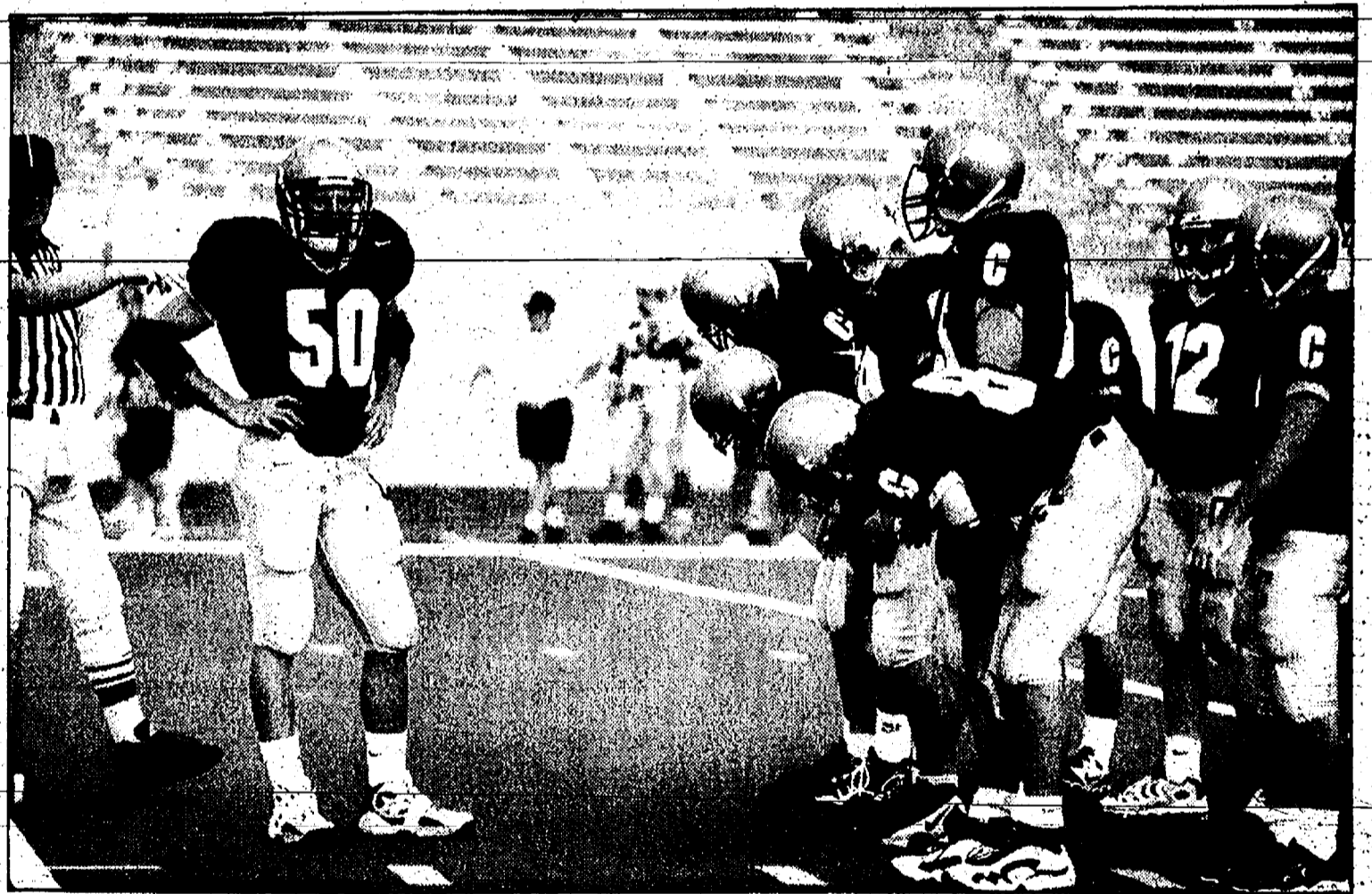
"Our focus is just to play better football," the coach said. "Our main focus is to eliminate mistakes and turnovers.

"If we do that, we can play with anyone."

And Milan head coach Steve Robb said he's told his players to expect a battle.

"I think this game is a toss up," Robb said. "Going into the game against Pinckney, we thought that was a game we should win.

"I don't know if we can beat Chelsea. They're good — period."



SEC shows off talent

The Mound was nearly speechless. And that, my friends, might just be a first.

The mischievous one was on the sidelines both Friday and Saturday for the Southeastern Conference Showcase.

On Friday, Chelsea hosted the Showcase, with SEC foes gathering to battle in basketball and soccer at the Bulldogs new digs.

Golfers competed in a scramble-type tournament at Reddeman Farms, with the final outcome not counting toward teams' season records. But soccer and basketball scores were regular-season matchups.

It was the first time SEC rivals had gathered for such an event, with so many different sports teams competing in so many different sports.

There was also to be tennis and swimming, but those events were cancelled. Unfortunately, Chelsea's new tennis courts aren't as ready for competition as the players.



DENNIS MANSFIELD

FROM THE MOUND

But I'm looking forward to next year.

Despite the cancellations, the Mound believes the Friday's gathering must be considered a success, giving local sports fans a chance to see a bevy of athletic talent in one day.

The only part of the day which may have been even remotely considered disappointing is that more fans didn't take advantage of the opportunity.

Of course, the Mound is never satisfied here, unless each and every seat is filled. And there was room for more

Linksters split

Chelsea challenges best of SEC in recent golf action

The Chelsea boys' varsity golf team challenged what may be the best two teams in the Southeastern Conference, earning a hard-fought split.

The Bulldogs beat perennial powerhouse Saline on the Hornets' home course, Brookside Golf Course, by four strokes, 163-167.

Chelsea linksters Dennis Price and Gavin Gunderson, who had missed a pair of matches due to injuries, tied for medalist honors, tied for both shooting a 40 in the nine-hole event.

They were followed closely by teammates Craig Indyke (41) and Casey Johnson (42).

"This effort is more in line with what we're capable of doing at this time," said coach Jim Tallman.

The win boosts the Bull-

dogs' conference record to 2-4.

The visiting Bulldogs, however, couldn't find the mark a day earlier on Sept. 9 a way to top what might be the class of the league, host Tecumseh.

The Indians beat the Bulldogs in a nine-hole match at the Tecumseh Country Club, 150-174.

"This effort represented somewhat of a comeback from the weak showing last week," Tallman said. "But it was short of what we are capable of."

Tecumseh's Ryan Spohr medaled, hitting a 2-under 34.

Gunderson paced the Bulldogs with a 40, followed by teammates Price (42), Johnson (45) and Todd Corryell (47).

Report compiled by Dennis Mansfield, sports editor.

on Friday.

The Mound may be a bit more forgiving, considering what I saw, or didn't see, on Saturday, as the conference's football teams took the field at Eastern Michigan University. The university's football stadium obviously holds a few more people than your usual high school facility.

But where could you go see four games for just \$5. I mean, that's a bargain of entertainment value.

This was a chance for the various communities to come together and show their combined support of the efforts of their student-athletes. No excuses will be accepted from those who did not attend.

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Chelsea cagers make improvements in win column

Bulldogs beat Milan

The Chelsea girls' varsity basketball team posted two wins in three games to bring the team's record a game below the .500 mark.

The Bulldogs (3-4, 1-0 SEC) beat visiting Southeastern Conference rival Milan, 50-19, for their second win in four days, as the two teams met as part of the SEC Showcase at the new Chelsea High School.

The victory was the cagers' first on their new home floor, with the Bulldogs outscoring Milan in each quarter. In the second half, Chelsea outscored Milan 30-8 to put the game out of reach.

Karla Dettling paced the Chelsea offense with 17 points and four rebounds.

Lindsey Brink added 11 points and Margret Schick hit for eight points, while Lindsay Powers and Betsy Ruhlrig each scored four points.

Chelsea suffered its lone loss of the week, falling to host Williamston, 49-39, on Sept. 10. Williamston outscored the

visiting Bulldogs in each period, jumping out to a 30-24 lead at the half.

Michelle Dettling helped keep Chelsea close, scoring a team-high 14 points and ripping down a team-best 10 rebounds in the loss.

Powers and Karla Dettling each scored eight points.

The Bulldogs started out the week's action with a 44-34 win over visiting Jackson Lumen Christi on Sept. 8.

Chelsea battled to a 25-17 lead at the half, but then used a 19-point third quarter to pull away for good. Jackson scored just nine points in the stanza.

Karla Dettling was the only Bulldog to score in double digits, posting 18 points and grabbing a team-high nine boards.

Coach Charles Waller said it was the Bulldog hoopsters' best game of the season to date.

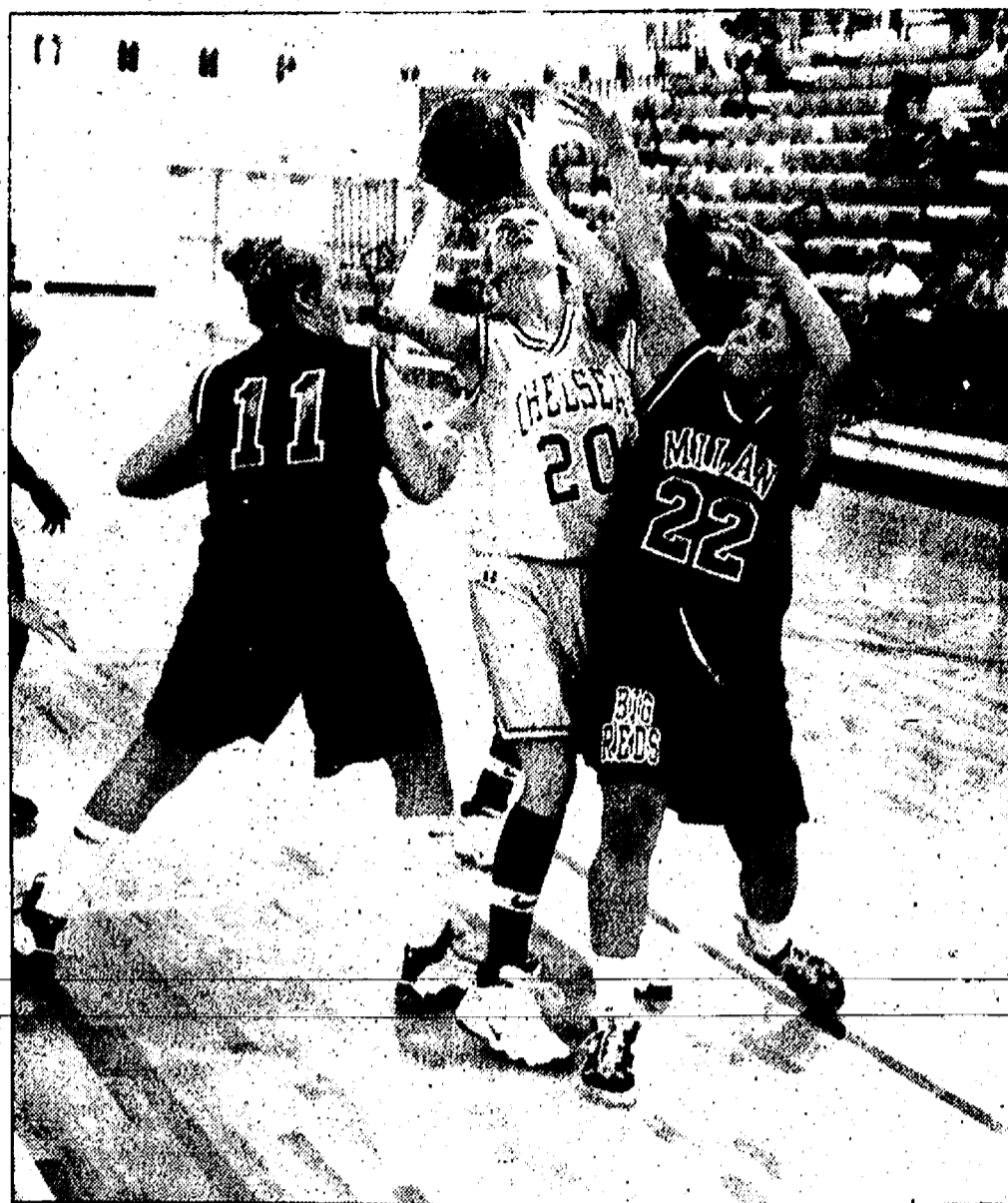
"Karla was great," Waller added.

Seven other Chelsea cagers got into the scorebook, including Schick and Powers, each with six points.

Report compiled by Dennis Mansfield, sports editor.



Above: Bulldog varsity cager Karla Dettling (#50) blocks Milan hoopster's shot in Chelsea's win on Friday. Right: Chelsea's Traci Kern (#20) tries to squeeze her way between Chelsea's Traci Kern (#20) and Chelsea's Traci Kern (#20) for a basket.



JV team gets offensive

The Chelsea girls' junior varsity basketball team blanketed Williamston in the fourth quarter of its Sept. 10 matchup on way to a 49-53 win.

The two cager squads were knotted at 35-35 going into the final stanza. But, while the Bulldogs (5-1) scored 14 points, Chelsea held Williamston scoreless.

Caitlin Biedron led Chelsea's offensive charge with 14 points, while Josie Wells added 10 points.

Deis scored all eight and grabbed a team-high eight rebounds in the game.

Lindsey Baker ripped down five boards, recorded three

steals and added two points.

The Bulldogs used a dominating second quarter to top Jackson Lumen Christi, 46-26, on Sept. 8.

Chelsea led 8-6 after the first period, and then pulled ahead to stay by outscoring Jackson, 18-2, in the second quarter.

Jessica Cole and Sally Compton each scored 10 points to lead the Chelsea cagers.

Baker and Biedron each scored eight points against Jackson, while Wells added six points. Biedron also grabbed a team-best 13 boards.

Report compiled by Dennis Mansfield, sports editor.

Freshmen win two of three

The Chelsea girls' freshman basketball team started out its season by winning two of the team's first three games.

The host Bulldogs' lone loss came in the hoopsters' season opener against Fowlerville.

Chelsea fell one point short as Fowlerville scored with less than 30 seconds left in the game to win, 17-16.

Both teams struggled to find the bucket, but Chelsea's Sue Fredericks provided a highlight by hitting a trey just as time ran out in the first half.

But offense hasn't been too much of a problem for the Bulldogs since, with Chelsea dominating Jackson County Western, 43-12, on Sept. 1.

"This game was a total team victory," said Chelsea coach

John Ruhlrig.

Eleven different players scored for Chelsea, with Sheresa Roberson posting a team-high 10 points.

The freshman cagers earned their second victory by beating Jackson Lumen Christi, 31-14, on Sept. 8.

Audrey Richardson scored all 10 of her points late in the game to lead the Bulldogs, as seven Chelsea hoopsters scored their way into the score book in a balanced attack.

"This team is starting to really play well as a team," Ruhlrig said.

Jenelle Vlcek and Connie Kolokithas controlled the boards for Chelsea, while Allison Williams added defense and key assists in the Sept. 8 victory.

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Young farmers compete in tourney

A team of young farmers from Washtenaw County Farm Bureau competed in the 7th Annual Michigan Farm Bureau Farmer Softball Tournament, Aug. 1-2, at Reed Park in Ithaca.

The statewide competition attracted 15 teams and about 225 players, ages 18-35, for the double-elimination tourney.

"It's a great way to bring together young farmers who have similar interests for social interaction," said Ernie

Birchmeier, manager of MFB's Young Farmer program which sponsored the tournament.

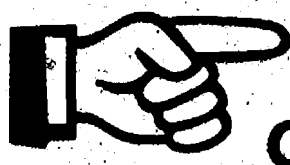
For the second consecutive year, the Van Buren County team captured top honors, coming back from the loser's bracket to take home the first-place trophy.

Arenac was the runner-up, followed by Gratiot and a team from Ingham-Eaton counties.

The top four teams all received T-shirts, with the top three softball squads being awarded trophies.



Washtenaw County members competing in the 1998 Young Farmers Softball tourney included: Colette McClinton, Kathy Tower, Jeffrey Horning, Gary Bross, Jeff Bristle, Keith Weldmayer, Teresa Hertler, Lisa Ostrander, Gary Ostrander and Neil Koch.



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CHS harriers miss second by five points

The Chelsea boys' cross country team finished fourth at the New Boston Huron Invitational on Sept. 12, just five points out of second place.

Trenton won the 3.1-mile event with 79 points, 20 points ahead of runner-up Monroe. Tecumseh placed third overall with 100 points, while Chelsea was just four points behind in fourth with 104 points.

Aaron Ruhlig paced the Bulldog effort, finishing second in 16 minutes, 57 seconds.

He was followed across the finish line less than a minute later by teammate Jeff Kolodica (12th, 17:44).

But Ruhlig and Kolodica were the only Chelsea harriers to place in the top 20.

Nathan Zeigler placed 27th (18:22), followed by Max Cherm (37th, 18:28), Steve Martin (42nd, 19:10) and Eric Pieper (20:03).

"We got great individual performances from ... Aaron Ruhlig," said coach Eric Swager. "But I am disappointed in

the team's showing. "It takes at least five good performances to compete at this level and we didn't get them."

Swager said the varsity squad will look to improve at upcoming runs, including at Monroe Jefferson on Sept. 19.

"We need to put this first meet behind us and come out mentally ready to perform," the coach said.

The boys' junior varsity harriers, however, did what the varsity runners could not,

sweeping the top four individual spots.

Jason Zatkovich won the event in 19:01, followed by Jared Daniel (2nd, 19:03), George Fairley (3rd, 19:04) and Chad Fortner (19:17).

"It was great to see us take the top four places in the JV run," Swager said. "And it looks like the competition for varsity spots will remain intense."

Report compiled by Dennis Mansfield, sports editor.

Bulldogs take sixth place at invitational

The Chelsea girls' varsity cross country team placed sixth among the Division I teams at the New Boston Huron Invitational on Sept. 12.

The Bulldogs were paced by the effort of Rebecca Metzler, who finished the 3.1-

mile event in 21 minutes, 51 seconds. That was good enough for 10th place, best of any of the Chelsea harriers.

Metzler was followed by teammates Amy Dault (25th, 22:32), Rachel Mead (34th, 23:13), Katie Henry (54th,

23:55), Erika Miller (61st, 24:10), Corinna Christman (63rd, 24:20) and Erin Dronen (79th, 25:19).

"It was a good start for us," said coach Pat Clarke. "Our No. 1 runner was out with an injury and we had to run in

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Both the boys' and girls' cross country teams from Beach Middle School enjoyed successful outings at the New Boston Huron Invitational on Sept. 12.

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Team gets in winning mood

Opponents of the Chelsea girls' varsity tennis team may not want to play the Bulldogs when its players are in certain moods.

Following a runners-up performance at Pinckney, the Bulldogs (3-3-1) posted their third consecutive 8-0 win. And this time the victim was rival Dexter on Sept. 14.

Chelsea tennis players concluded only 15 games total, not including the No. 2 singles matchup, which proved to be the best contest of the meet.

Chelsea's No. 1 singles player Sara Mossburg defeated Alison Davis (6-1, 6-1).

But No. 2 singles player Ingrid Biedron dueled Erin Cobler for nearly three hours.

"The two players were well

matched and what followed was a tense, tight contest played between two very sporting players," said Bulldog coach John Capper. "The match could really have gone either way."

But Biedron managed to come out on top of the three-set marathon (5-7, 6-4, 7-5), despite losing the first set.

Chelsea's Shontay Young defeated Hannah Gornik (6-2, 6-0) in No. 3 singles, while No. 4 singles player Jenna Hall beat Janna Repine (6-1, 6-2).

Hall has lost just one match so far in the 1998 season, collecting eight wins at the No. 3 and No. 4 singles.

Young now has an individual record of 6-3 for the fall campaign.

The Bulldogs continued to dominate in the doubles competition, with No. 1 doubles duo Laura Heller and Katy Long beating Anna Szymanski and Emily Gibbs (6-0, 6-1).

The No. 2 tandem of Ashley Cook topped Jennifer Doop and May Canter (6-0, 6-2), while the Bulldogs' No. 3 doubles pair of Andrea Daane and Alyssa Warren won over Kristin Humphries and Nicole Johnson (6-1, 6-1).

At No. 4 doubles, Bulldogs Kristin Ellis and Laura Baird helped complete the sweep by defeating Elizabeth Howison and Katie Augustaitis (6-1, 6-2).

Report compiled by Dennis Mansfield, sports editor.

JV kickers sunk by Dexter

The Chelsea boys' junior varsity soccer team met its match in two conference games last week.

On Sept. 8, the Bulldogs fell to visiting Dexter, 2-0.

Most of the game was played in the Chelsea half of the field, as Dexter controlled the midfield and had a defense that wouldn't let anything by them.

The Chelsea offense was unable to get a single shot in the entire game.

All the scoring took place in the middle of the first half. Dexter scored in the 11th minute and again in the 17th minute, both from close range after working the ball inside.

The Chelsea defense of sweeper Brian Phillips, backs Derek Egeler and Kevin Phillips and stopper Chris Kitten shut down numerous attacks by Dexter in the second half. Goalkeeper Charlie DeGryse had a great game with 10 saves.

The team traveled to Tecumseh on Sept. 10, losing 3-1. Tecumseh scored in the 17th minute for a 1-0 lead at the half.

The big Tecumseh defense won all the balls near the midfield keeping Chelsea from penetrating its half of the field.

The Chelsea defense forced Tecumseh to take most of its shots from outside the penalty area. DeGryse had 10 saves in goal for Chelsea in the first half.

Tecumseh scored in the 47th minute as it deflected a great crossing pass. The Indians scored again to take a 3-0 lead in the 56th minute.

The game became very physical from there on and finally Chelsea was able to penetrate the Tecumseh end of the field. Still the Bulldogs were held to only one shot but it found the net.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Thursday, Sept. 17
Boys Golf vs. Dexter, Lincoln, 3 p.m. H

Varsity/JV Boys Soccer vs. Saline, 4 p.m. A

Varsity Girls Swimming vs. Saline, 6:30 p.m. A

Freshmen Football vs. Monroe Jefferson, 7 p.m. H

JV Football vs. Milan, 7 p.m. A

Friday, Sept. 18
Varsity Football vs. Milan, 7:30 p.m. H

Saturday, Sept. 19
Girls Tennis Haslett Invitational, 9 a.m. A

Boys & Girls Cross Country Monroe Jefferson Inv. TBA A

Monday, Sept. 21
Girls Tennis BCC, 4 p.m. H

7th & 8th Girls Basketball vs. Dexter, 4 p.m. H

Tuesday, Sept. 22
Boys Golf vs. Lincoln with Tecumseh, 3 p.m. A

7th & 8th Football vs. Milan, 4 p.m. H

Boys & Girls Cross Country SEC Jamboree #1 at Hudson Mills, 4 p.m. A

Varsity/JV Boys Soccer vs. Milan, 4 p.m. H

Varsity Girls Swimming vs. Ypsilanti, 7 p.m. A

Wednesday, Sept. 23
Girls 7th & 8th Basketball vs. Pinckney, 4 p.m. A

OUTDOORS

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And those over the age of 84 have probably sprung so many leaks in their testosterone plumbing that any left in their systems could boil and never be noticed.

Past records show that 93.6 percent of the male population will be affected by this painful but not deadly affliction, known as Whitetail Fever, at some time in their lives. The other 6.4 percent will probably grow up and appear on the Jerry Springer show after they have had their sex-change operations.

The symptoms shown by those who have reached the final and worst stages of the disease is the one where the patient insists on measuring the area over the fireplace mantel, where his mother-in-law's picture now hangs, and he keeps mumbling something about, "if it has more than 10 points and a inside spread of over 22 inches the wall may have to be moved over a bit."

This may be a sign that the patient is getting worse, or then again it could mean that during his day of hunting he spotted the big one he's been

looking for, and this could mean he is confident that tomorrow he is going to bring home a new wall hanger. If this is the case, and his premonition is correct, it would mean the disease is soon going to come to a screeching halt.

Once the patient has accomplished the one thing that can cure him, scoring on a nice buck that is just a little bigger than any of his buddies has ever taken, the disease will subside and eventually disappear completely.

Coping with these annoying symptoms and problems can be made easier for both the diseased party and those around him if a few considerations are made, such as:

- Help your husband find the badly needed articles that are missing and keep in mind he has a lot on his mind during his illness.

- Listen patiently while he rattles on about past hunting seasons, interrupting only to ask if he needs anything, such as having his drink freshened.

- Try to do a better job of sewing up the rips and tears in his hunting clothes this year. We don't want him to get excited when he is complaining.

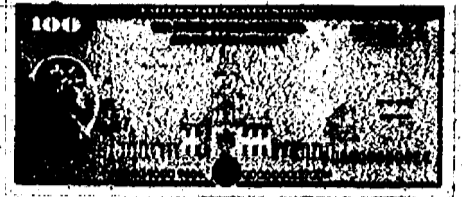
- Explain the situation to the children and pat the dog on the head now and then, keeping

in mind the man is pretty busy when he is in the reading mode.

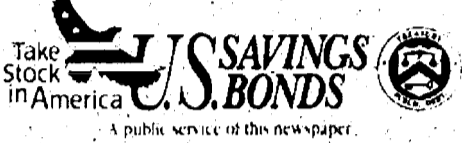
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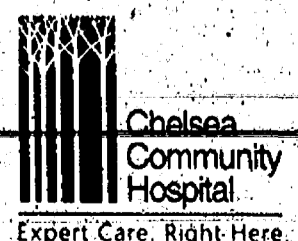
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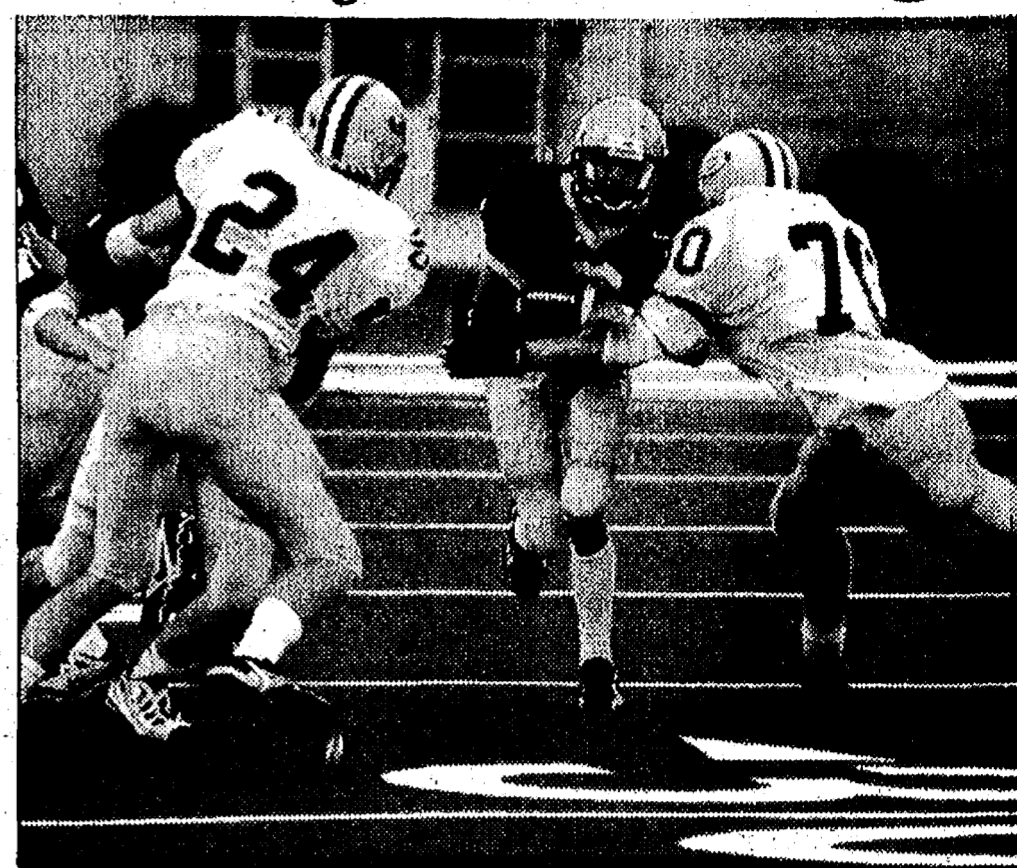
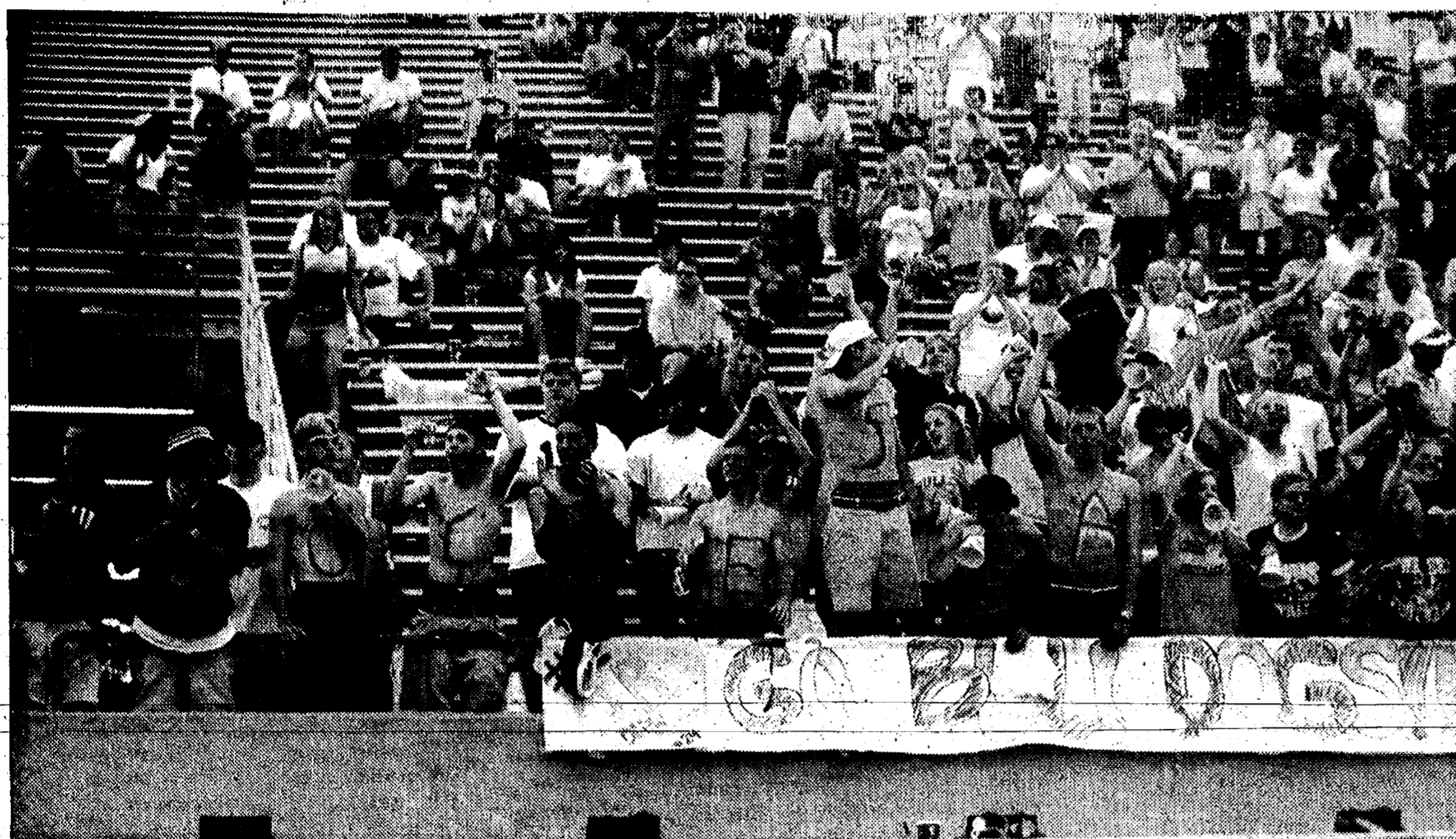
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A look back: Saline takes bite out of Bulldogs



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Above: Bulldog fans Gavin Gunderson, Kyle Griffith, Bryan McPike, Nathan O'Connor, Eric Vaichine, Aaron Ruhl, Jesse Hyde, Brandon Frazier and Josh Hack — helping spell "Chelsea" show off their school spirit at the SEC Showcase on Saturday. Right: Coach Brad Bush applauds his team's effort in trying to come back versus Saline.



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Mail Call ...

Personalized mailboxes dot local landscape

By Michelle Rogers
Associate Editor

It's easy to spot Susan Carter's Webster Township home, but not its color or style.

It's her mailbox that makes it easy for friends to find.

"I just tell them it's the one with the tractor mailbox," says Carter, who is among several area residents with personalized mailboxes.

Carter said she bought the mailbox at a craft fair. It incorporates a standard, green mailbox but has carved wooden pieces added on as wheels and a cab, even a driver.

"I bought it for my 5-year-old son because it looked like the train from Thomas the Tank Engine, an English cartoon on PBS," Carter says. "At first, he played with it in the house. Then our mailbox got bashed by somebody."

So, up went the decorated box turned toy. Carter isn't that attached to the mailbox. If she were to move, she said she would leave it behind. But not Lima Township resident Mary Jane Dettling. Her mailbox reflects her family's personality.

"We love Collies. We've had Collies ever since we were married 48 years ago," says Dettling, who has a regular mailbox but with a dog carved and attached to the top of it.

Dettling said she bought the mailbox at a hardware store and a friend carved the dog to attach to it.

"Our friends know we like Collies, but it doesn't represent our true Collies because they weren't black. But it was as close as we could come," she says.

Personalized mailboxes run in her family. Dettling said her nephew, a firefighter, has a mailbox shaped as a fire engine.

Doug Eder, a captain for Ann Arbor Township Fire Department and volunteer firefighter in Chelsea, also has a fire truck for a mailbox. It was given to him by his fiancée, Marleyn Seitz.

"I gave it to him a year ago because he likes fireman stuff," she says. "We have a lot of fire paraphernalia."

"I just saw it and thought 'Oh, I am buying that for his birthday.'"

Like Carter, Seitz says friends are able to find their home by looking for the mailbox along Old US-12 in Lima Township.

"That's mostly how people identify our house," she says. "I explain that it's the one with the fire truck."

Like the Dettlings, Lloyd and Arlene Grau's mailbox reflects their lifestyle. Dairy farmers, the Graus own 120 acres on Chelsea-Manchester Road in Sylvan Township.

"I guess it reflects our likes. We have cows and we like them," says Arlene Grau, whose mailbox has cows painted on it.

"Over the years, we've had barns and other kinds. It seems like we've always had something other than a regular mailbox," she says.



"It's nice to see them. I think it makes people feel good when they drive by."

Donna Lesser
U.S. Postal Service

Grau's sons have personalized mailboxes, as well. Danny Grau, who lives a few doors down, has a barn-shaped mailbox and Steve Grau, who lives in Lima Township, has one that looks like a Dalmatian.

"You see Dalmatians. You see John Deere tractors. You see barns. There are a lot of different ones out there," observes Grau.

Dale and Ellen Taylor's mailbox fulfills a need within their family.

"We already have a (pet) cat, so we got a dog," says Ellen Taylor, whose mailbox is shaped and painted like a Dalmatian.

Taylor says she got the idea from a business in Fenton, where she bought the pattern. Her husband traced and cut the pattern out of plywood and she and their children painted it.

"We get a lot of comments on it," Taylor

says.

One such comment came from their mail carrier, who left a note saying how much she liked it.

Donna Lesser, who has been a rural letter carrier in Dexter since 1979, gets a kick out of the personalized mailboxes. She says there are four on Lima Center Road, just a small portion of her route.

"It's nice to see them," she says. "I think it makes people feel good when they drive by."

But her favorite is one that has "Hi, Donna" painted on the outside of the door.

"It's kind of neat. It's nice to feel appreciated," she says.

Dexter mail carrier Linda Landrum has seen tractors, barns and cows along her route, which covers the south side of Dexter and portions of Lima Township.

"They're just now popping up on my route," says Landrum, who has worked for the U.S. Postal Service since 1983.

"I think they are cute. It's nice to see something different," she says.

Lesser has noticed that the personalized boxes go up in clusters. If someone on the road puts one up, others follow.

"Some people don't even think about decorating their mailboxes. But when they see one going up, they put one up," she says.

Lesser's own mailbox isn't personalized, but it used to be. At one time, she painted cartoon characters on it.

"People have a tendency to smash those kinds of boxes," she observes. "Sometimes people get frustrated and put up regular mailboxes instead."

Landrum's mailbox is painted red, white and blue, because she says her husband is very patriotic.

On a practical note, Lesser says she prefers the Rubbermaid mailboxes because they don't rust.

The only requirements of the post office is that mailboxes be large enough to handle the volume of mail and that they stand no more than 42 inches from the ground to the bottom of the box, so they're easily accessible to the mail carrier.

Leslie Smith, a mail carrier with stops on Huron River Drive, North Territorial and Mast roads, said a box that is big enough is very important to a postal worker.

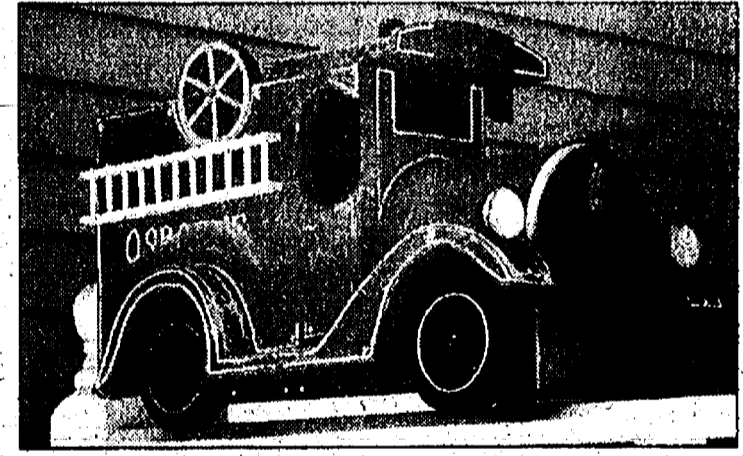
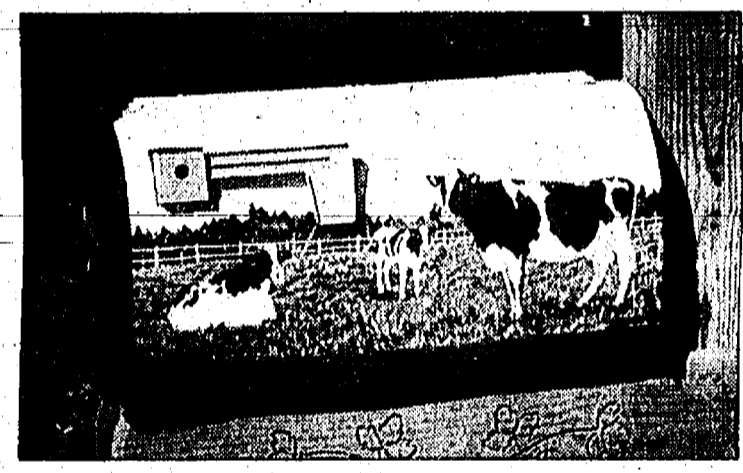
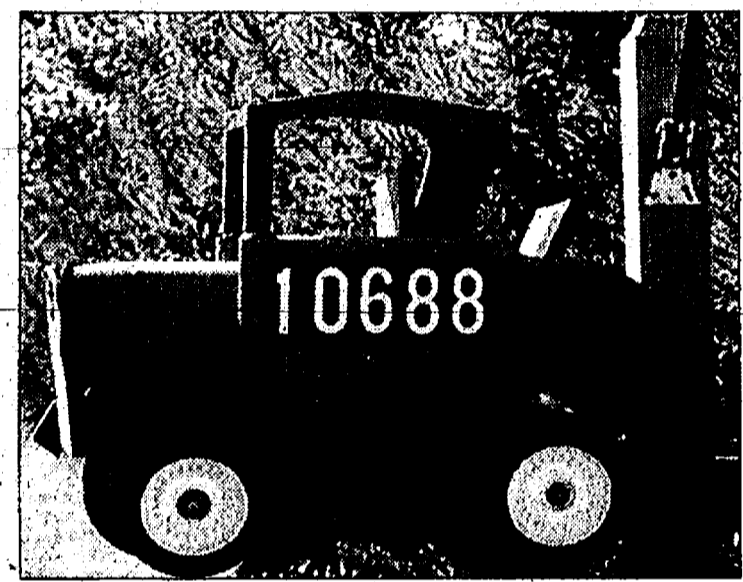
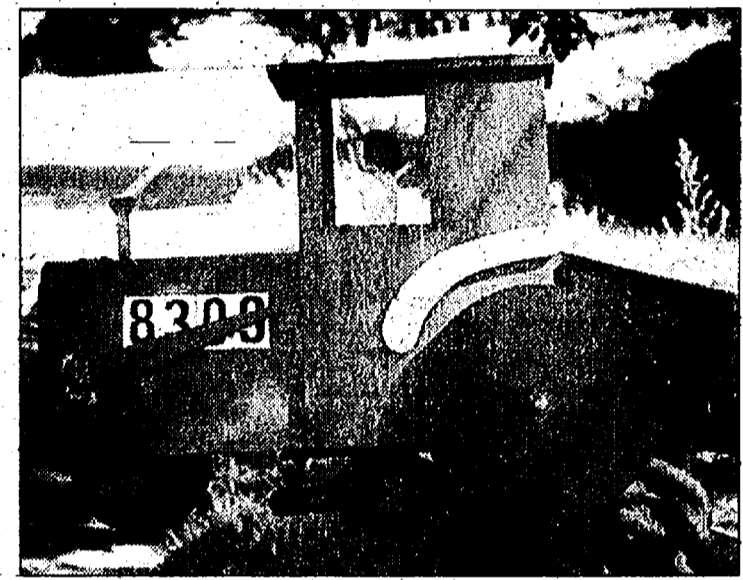
Smith has one personalized mailbox on his route that has a small slit for the mail to go in but a door in back to get it out. If there is a lot of mail, instead of feeding each piece, one by one, he'll use the back door.

"It's not good but it looks nice," he says about the mailbox.

Lesser says personalized mailboxes aren't a new phenomenon, but they're growing in popularity.

"I think people are finally trying to decorate the outside of their homes — give them a little character. It's something special of their own."

And, she adds, "It does help in finding homes."



Administrator is first contact at township hall



DeNette Bolyard is the administrative assistant at Dexter Township Hall. She answers a lot of questions for people building new homes in the township.

By Michelle Rogers

Associate Editor

DeNette Bolyard lives in Webster Township but can tell you just about anything you need to know about Dexter Township government.

That's because she is the administrative assistant at Dexter Township Hall, a post she had held the past three years.

Bolyard, 44, is a natural manager. She had to be after getting married at age 16 and immediately starting a family. At one point in her life she was raising three children, working full time, taking college classes and serving as a Girl Scout leader.

"You name it, I did it," she says about that period in her life. "What eventually gave out was college. I couldn't keep up with all of it."

Bolyard spent 20 years in the medical office management field before landing a job at Dexter Township Hall. It was a move from the Downriver area to Webster Township with her husband, Phil, a supervisor for Ford Motor Company, that had Bolyard looking for a new job.

"Like everyone else, we were looking for less people and less traffic but not finding that necessarily the case," she says about the move.

It was an advertisement in the newspaper that eventually brought her job search to Dexter Township. At the time, Bolyard says, she didn't realize that the positions over here were in jeopardy every four years.

"I didn't know they were elected. I then realized I may not have the same supervisor. So once I realized that, I learned a little more about how township government works," she says.

Bolyard has seen three supervisors in three years. Her first experience with losing a boss came in 1996 when former township supervisor Jim Drolett was ousted in the primary and later narrowly lost a write-in campaign to John Sdao. Drolett's successor resigned less than a year later and since then Bolyard has answered to Township Supervisor Robert Tetens, who was appointed by the Township Board last year.

PERSONALITY

Her duties at township hall are a little of everything. She is the public's first contact at township hall. If you're building a new home in the township or seeking a variance, Bolyard is the person you probably talk to first. She also serves as deputy clerk, assistant zoning administrator and assistant to the supervisor, treasurer and assessor.

What Bolyard says she enjoys most about her job is working with people.

"I enjoy working with the residents and general public. Most of them are very nice," she says. "I like being able to help them, especially in zoning when you can help them realize their dreams of moving in a new home or area. It's a lot of fun to watch them do that."

When people are thinking about building in Dexter Township they usually call with the question, "I want to build a new house. What do I have to do?" Bolyard says it's her job to inform them about setback requirements, floor-ratio areas and other rules described in the ordinance. She also gives them a packet of information that can help answer basic questions.

Besides people who are building new, Bolyard gets to know those who are expanding their homes, typically homes located around the lakes. Because those lots are on less than an acre and are considered legally non-conforming, those residents are required to get a variance to expand their homes and add a deck or shed.

"All of it has been a really good experience and I enjoy it," Bolyard says about her job.

"I really don't see myself leaving because I enjoy it so much. I enjoy the zoning aspect and working with people."

But it's the older residents of Dexter Township and their history of the area that Bolyard has real-

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Thursday, Sept. 17
Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meet in the Chelsea Community Hospital private dining room at noon. Info: Sue Starkey (734) 475-1145.

Friday, Sept. 18
Waterloo Natural History Assoc. presents "Wild Edibles Walk" with expert Tom Jameson sharing recipes. Limited to 35 people, designed for adults. Advance reservations. Info. (734) 475-3170

Monday, Sept. 21
Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 p.m.

Dayspring Collectors Club meets at the Chelsea VFW hall at 7 p.m. Newcomers welcome. Info. (734) 475-3153

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

Chelsea Area Players Board meeting at Key Bank, 7:30 p.m. Info. 475-2629.

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

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

Tuesday, Sept. 22
Rotary Club meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.

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

Wednesday, Sept. 23
Fraternal Order of Eagles, Ladies Auxiliary No. 2154 meet at 7530 Jackson Rd., 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 28
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 School Board meets in the board room, 7:30 p.m.

DEXTER

Thursday, Sept. 17
Dexter Rotary Club meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Friday, Sept. 18
Hudson Mills Metropark, "Nature Stories At Night For Kids" program at the Activity Center will begin at 7:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Info. (734) 426-8211.

Saturday, Sept. 19
Breathers Club will meet at the Chelsea Community Hospital Dining Room, 11 a.m.

Hudson Mills Metropark, "Senior Appreciation Day" will begin at 10 a.m. in the Activity Center. Pre-registration is required. Grandkids welcome. Info. (734) 426-8211

Monday, Sept. 21
Dexter Community Schools Board of Education meets at the Copeland building, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 22
Dexter Village Parks Commission meets at First of America Bank, 7 p.m.

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

Wednesday, Sept. 23
The Village of Dexter Parks

Commission meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 24
Dexter Rotary Club meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 28
Dexter Village Council meeting at First of America Bank, 8 p.m.

Dexter PTO meets in the pool lobby, 7:30 p.m. All parents invited to become actively involved.

Dexter Blood Drive will be held at St. Andrews Church on Dexter Ann Arbor Road, 1 - 7 p.m. Info., Dianna Borel (734) 741-1877

Tuesday, Sept. 29
New Beginnings, a support group dealing with death and divorce, meets at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, at 5:30 p.m. Call Faye Wisely, (734) 426-8931 or the church, (734) 426-8247 for information.

MISCELLANEOUS

American Legion, Pinckney Memorial Post 419 - Amvets Sons of the American Legion Squadron Detachment 419 Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser will take place on Sept. 18, at 5 p.m. The public is invited. Post meetings are: Amvets, first Tues., 7:30 p.m.; American Legion, second Tues., 7:30 p.m.; Sons of the American Legion, first Wed., 7 p.m.

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

Alzheimer's Assoc. monthly education program will be held on Monday, Sept. 21, at 6:30, in the New Center, 1100 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor. Program is free, open to the public. Info., 1-800-337-3827

Arbor Hospice B'Tweeners, a grief support and social group for widows and widowers 45 to 60+, meets at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, every second Tues. at 7 p.m. Also

for dinner' at Haab's, Ypsilanti, every third Tues. at 6:30 p.m. Info., (734) 662-5999

Arbor Hospice Starting Over, a grief support group for widows and widowers under age 46, meets at Arbor Hospice Residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, at 6:30 p.m., every first and third Wednesday. Info., Debbie Skotak, (734) 662-5999

American Business Women's Assoc. Chelsea-Dexter Chapter will hold its annual Friendship Dinner Meeting at Weber's Inn, Tues., Sept. 22, 6 p.m. Cost is \$22. Info., (734) 426-5165 or 475-3143

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

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

The Dexter Area Museum is open every Friday and Saturday, 1-3 p.m. through mid-December. To make special arrangements, please call the museum at (734) 426-2519

Dexter/Chelsea Right To Life meets at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter in the Mary Room, Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 7 p.m. Info., Anne Young (734) 426-5010, or 426-1093

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

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

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

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

FEMALE (Washtenaw County Chapter) will meet in the Saint Clare/Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard Rd., Thurs., Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. Info., call Lisa, (734) 763-8714.

"Free mammograms, Pap tests and clinical breast exams" available for many women over 40 through the Washtenaw County Public Health Title XV program. Info., (734) 484-7220 or 484-7200.

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

Home Meal Service, Chelsea. Meals served daily to elderly or disabled. Cost per meal, \$3.25 with milk, \$3 without milk, for those able to pay. Interested parties call Mary at (734) 475-9494 or Faith in Action at (734) 475-3305.

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

La Leche League of Western Washtenaw County will hold its free monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 10 a.m., at the First Congregational Church of Chelsea, 121 E. Middle. Info. Adele (734) 475-8340.

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

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m., at the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Building 5305, 1:30 p.m. Info., (734) 741-9209.

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home, friendly, visiting support system for families with children. Call (734) 475-3305.

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

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

Senior Nutrition Program meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon. Waterloo Township Hall. For reservations call (734) 475-7439, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.-Lunches, cards and fellowship.

Smokers Anonymous meets Tuesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Call (734) 426-8696.

Volunteers Needed M-F from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. to deliver mid-day meals to senior citizens in the Dexter area. For info., call Cindy at the Dexter Senior Nutrition Center (734) 475-5397.

Washtenaw County Health Dept. is offering free and low-cost immunizations, which meet state of Michigan standards for daycare and school settings. Infant and adult immunizations are also available. Call (734) 484-7220 for an appointment.

Washtenaw County WIC Program provides nutritious foods, free coupons and health counseling for pregnant women, breastfeeding women, infants and children up to age five. Info., (734) 971-1300.

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.

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Parents shape kids' attitude toward parenthood

If you're still waiting for adult children to settle down and start producing some grandchildren, University of Michigan research suggests you may have only yourself to blame.

Young men and women whose mothers always wanted them to get married and have large families tend to start

having children sooner than their peers, according to the U-M study, presented last month at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.

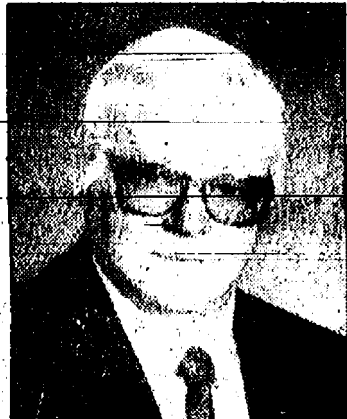
"Mothers' preferences have a strong impact on the birth of grandchildren," says Jennifer S. Barber, a sociologist at the U-M Institution for Social Re-

search.

Using a unique set of data on 835 mother-child pairs who were followed for 31 years, Barber analyzed how a mother's preferences influenced the child's later behavior. Since the data set included multiple interviews with the children as well, the researchers were able to compare their attitudes and actual behavior to the hopes their mothers had for them.

ligion, and whether the mother had worked herself when her son or daughter was younger.

Although adult children's own preferences were important determinants of when they had their first child, Barber found that the mothers' preferences influenced their behavior regardless of what adult sons and daughter themselves preferred.



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If it were just up to you, the mothers were asked, what would be the ideal age for your son (or daughter) to get married? Mothers preferred an average marriage age of about 25 for sons, 24 for daughters.

If your son or daughter could have just the number of children you would like, they were also asked, how many would you want him or her to have? The average number of children wished for both sons and daughters was about two.

The mothers also were asked how many years of education they would like their sons and daughters to have, and whether they would prefer their daughters-in-law or daughters to work or to stay at home with future grandchildren.

Barber compared the children's stated preferences for themselves, their mothers' preferences for them, and their actual behavior, then controlled for a large number of factors, including the mother's marital and child-bearing history, family incomes at various stages, parents' education, mother's re-

ligion, and whether the mother had worked herself when her son or daughter was younger.

Although adult children's own preferences were important determinants of when they had their first child, Barber found that the mothers' preferences influenced their behavior regardless of what adult sons and daughter themselves preferred.

She found that daughters whose mothers preferred that they marry at age 20 in fact married and had their first child over seven times faster than young women whose mothers preferred that they marry at age 30.

Sons whose mothers preferred that they marry at age 20 in fact married and had their first child more than twice as fast as young men whose mothers preferred that they marry at age 30.

Among the young men only, Barber found that those whose mothers preferred family-oriented behavior also had premarital first births sooner than their peers.

"Following their mothers' preferences may place these young men at higher risk of having premarital first birth through earlier sexual relationships," she suggests.


Many factors not measured in the study also may strongly influence a young person's attitudes and behavior about marriage and childbearing, Barber emphasizes. One of these factors may be the preferences of prospective grandfathers, who were not included in the study.

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Pick-up of ordered trees is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 9, 1998 at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road.

Trees can be used for wind-breaks to slow the wind or screens to block unwanted views. They can be used to reduce soil erosion by providing permanent cover for the soil.

For more information about the Conservation District Fall Tree Sale or to obtain a Tree Sale catalog, call or visit the Conservation District Office.

WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



Sarah Grau, James Sloan marry

Sarah M. Grau and James W. Sloan both of Cape Coral, Fla., were married April 25 at Christ Lutheran Church in Cape Coral. The Rev. Richard Hafer presided over the ceremony.

Grau is the daughter of James and Nancy Grau of Chelsea. Sloan is the son of James and Billie Sloan of Cape Coral.

Karen Girard of Antioch, Calif., sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Junior

bridesmaid was Dannielle Sloan, of Kansas City, Kan., daughter of the groom.

James Sloan, father of the groom, was best man. Darren Girard of Antioch was the usher.

The reception was held at the Cape Crab and Steak House in Cape Coral. A Michigan reception was held at Weber's Inn of Ann Arbor July 19.

The couple honeymooned in the Bahamas and they reside in Cape Coral.



ENGAGED: Jennifer Nowaczck of Dexter and Kevin Adkins of Dexter are engaged and planning a Dec. 26 wedding. The future bride is the daughter of Dennis and Judy Nowaczck of Dexter. She is a graduate of Alma College with a bachelor's degree in sociology. The future bridegroom is the son of Larry and Kitty Adkins of Dexter. He has bachelor's and master's degrees in aerospace engineering from the University of Michigan. He is in the U.S. Air Force PILOT Training Program.



ENGAGED: Brendan Thomas Love and Karen Elizabeth Rumsey of Port Deposit, Md., are engaged and planning an Oct. 3 wedding. Love is the son of Thomas and Kathleen Love of Virginia Beach, Va. He attended South Elementary and Beach Middle School before his family relocated to Virginia in 1985. Love is a 1993 graduate of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg, Va., and is presently employed in Washington, D.C., by MCI Telecommunications Inc. as a computer specialist in the company's graphic design department. Rumsey is the daughter of George and Mary Rumsey of Port Deposit. She is a 1993 graduate of the North Carolina School of the Arts in Winston-Salem, N.C. She is employed as a project manager with AON Risk Technologies of Owings Mills, Md. The wedding ceremony will take place at the historic Lee-Fendall House Museum in the Old Town section of Alexandria, Va. The newlyweds will honeymoon in Ireland and reside in Washington, D.C.



ENGAGED: Brenda Susanne Brady and David Michael Calvert are engaged and planning a May 30 wedding at Mt. Vernon Country Club in Golden, Colo. The future bride is the daughter of Terrence and Sharon Donnelly of Chelsea. She is a graduate of Metropolitan State University in Behavioral Sciences and Spanish and is employed by Aurora/Littleton (Colo.) Public School System as a substitute teacher. The future groom is the son of Michael and Marilyn Calvert of Englewood, Colo., and Margie Tate of Henrietta, Texas. He is a graduate of Metropolitan State University in Finance and is employed as an Accountant at INVESCO Funds Group in Denver.

Library board meeting time changed

The fall meeting dates for the Chelsea District Library Board are Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16 and Dec. 14.

Board meetings are held in the Faith in Action meeting room at 775 S. Main (just in-

side the south hospital drive). For September, October, November and December the Chelsea District Library Board has moved its traditional meeting time of Tuesday evenings to Monday at 7:30.

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Treasury Bill weekly auction discount rate, less not more than 1.50%. As of 8/23/98, the interest rate for this tier is set at 5.365%. The APY is 5.50%. The interest rate for the portion of your balance that is \$25,000 or more but less than \$100,000 is tied to the 13-Week Treasury Bill rate, less not more than 1%. As of 8/23/98, the interest rate for this tier is set at 5.845%. The APY ranges from 4.00% to 5.50%. The interest rate for the portion of your balance below \$25,000 is tied to the 13-Week Treasury Bill rate, less not more than 5%. As of 8/23/98, this interest rate is set at 3.93%. The APY is 4.00%. Offer is available to individuals only. Member FDIC. Equal Housing Lender. For individuals with a TDD device, service is available from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., M-F at 1-800-289-4614. ©1998 First of America Bank Corporation.

MONEY AND FINANCE

Many options available to help pay for college

With college tuition costs continuing to outpace inflation, parents are discovering that determining how to pay for college can be an education in itself.

According to the Michigan Association of CPAs, the typical resources parents use to finance a child's college education include savings and investments, grants and scholarships, loans and government financial aid, and current income. Quite often, all four methods are used to meet ever-escalating college costs.

Savings, The Resource of Choice

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amounts adds up, and the earlier you start to save, the less you'll need to put aside each month.

How you invest your money depends on a number of factors, including how much you have to invest, your child's current age, and your tolerance for risk versus your need for growth. A longer time horizon gives you the flexibility to adopt a more aggressive investment strategy, engaging vehicles such as stocks, bonds, and mutual funds, which typically pay higher yields and offer substantial long-term growth.

If you have only a few years before facing college tuition bills, you may need to be more conservative in your investment approach. Savings products such as certificates of deposit and U.S. Treasuries typi-

cally provide the highest level of safety, with a guarantee on the return of your principal and growth through the compounding of interest. Money market accounts are another investment vehicle offering limited risk.

Two other investment possibilities, one tried and true and one brand new, are US Series EE Savings Bonds and the Education IRA. With Series EE bonds, depending on your income, some or all of the interest earned may be tax-free if the proceeds are used to pay tuition and other education expenses. The Education IRA, established by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, allows families to make a \$500 annual non-deductible contribution to an Education IRA per beneficiary under age 18. Funds in Education IRAs accumulate on a tax-deferred basis, and distributions for qualified education expenses are tax-free. Phaseout begins when your "modified" adjusted gross income equals \$95,000 if single or \$150,000 if married, filing jointly.

Finally, a number of states have developed state-administered college financing investment vehicles and/or prepaid tuition plans that allow parents to lock in current tuition costs for state schools.

Grants and Scholarships For The Lucky Few

Merit-based assistance in the form of grants and scholarships that do not have to be repaid are typically awarded on the basis of academic or athletic performance. Grants and scholarships are available from the educational institutions themselves as well as from the federal or local government and a diverse range of private sources, such as churches, local foundations, parents' employers, civic groups, and community organizations.

Although scholarships and grants are the most attractive types of financial aid, they also are the most limited. The difficulty lies not only in qualifying for, but also in identifying potential sources of such aid. The best place to start is with your child's high school guidance counselor. You might also check the Internet, which is becoming a useful scholarship search tool. For example, on FastNet (www.fastnet.com), a large, free on-line scholarship service, the student creates a self-profile that is used to match the student with potential scholarship sources.

Borrowing — When All Else Fails

Borrowing provides another

option for parents who come up short in the college-financing test. For the least expensive alternative, look first to your own resources. By refinancing your home or taking out a home equity loan, you can borrow against the equity you have built up in your house. The interest on a home equity loan of up to \$100,000 is tax-deductible. However, the deductibility of interest expense incurred on refinancing may be limited to the balance of your old debt. Check with your CPA or other tax professional to verify your deductibility limits.

Most 401(k) plans allow you to borrow as much as 50 percent of your vested balance up to \$50,000, provided that you repay the loan within five years. And, beginning this year, parents can make penalty-free withdrawals from IRAs for qualified education expenses.

After taking stock of your own resources, you'll probably turn to the federal government, which supplies the largest amount of all student aid through the Stafford, PLUS, and Work Study programs. To apply for federal aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in your child's senior year of high school. From in-

formation reported on the FAFSA form, the expected family contribution (EFC) the amount of money a student and his or her family are expected to contribute to the costs of attending college is calculated. Using the EFC and other information you provide, the college then prepares a financial aid package.

Current Income — A Viable Alternative For Some

Using your current earnings to pay for college is another, albeit difficult, way to pay for college. Although paying tuition out of current income is likely to reduce your standard of living during your child's college years, the positive side is that you won't end up with a thick coupon payment book after graduation.

Tax Savings Last But Not Least

Also, CPAs recommend that parents with qualifying incomes take full advantage of the Hope Scholarship and Lifetime Learning Credits, two new tax credits for payments made for qualified tuition and fees. These credits don't by any means eliminate the need to save vigorously for education costs, but the credits can help lighten the burden for qualified individuals.

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And while most are likely more motivated by philanthropy than finances, Uncle Sam rewards those who donate generously and wisely.

If you itemize, the internal

Revenue Service permits you to deduct donations to qualified nonprofit groups, including all those classified as 501(c)(3) organizations, so called after the provision of the tax law covering charitable nonprofits.

In general, you can deduct up to 50 percent of your adjusted gross income.

Try not to spread your gifts too thin. Consolidating a significant portion of your giving among fewer groups makes your gift more cost-effective for the recipient to administer, increasing its impact.

Bear in mind that while regular small gifts can be helpful to a nonprofit, one-time donations of \$5 or \$10 often don't cover what it costs to process them.

There are effective ways to stretch your donation dollar. Many employers offer contributions-matching as part of their benefits package. If yours does, make sure that the group to which you donate gets the information it needs to claim the matching money.

Don't let high-pressure fundraising tactics rush you into making an impulsive gift to any group over the phone. A legitimate charity should be patient enough to wait until you have a chance to weigh

your decision.

There are many tools to help you distinguish among organizations and alert you to those that might not make the most efficient use of your gift. Guides published by the national Charities Information Bureau, the Philanthropic Advisory Service of the Council of Better Business Bureaus, and the American Institute of Philanthropy rate several hundred of the most asked-about charities on a variety of criteria.

Similar information on virtually any nonprofit group is available via the Internet on two Web sites: The Internet Nonprofit Center's Nonprofit Locator at www.nonprofits.org and GuideStar at www.guidestar.org.

Once you've identified a charity compatible with your goals, don't feel you have to limit your contribution to cash. Most organizations gratefully accept all manners of goods and services, including motor vehicles, works of art, antiques, and securities.

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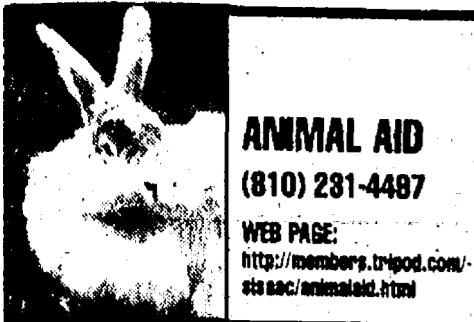
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Fall good time to start planting next year's garden

If you're thinking of converting lawn to vegetable or flower garden, fall is a good time to start.

"Fall is a good time to eliminate lawn grasses and perennial weeds such as quackgrass," says Mary McLellan, Master Gardener program coordinator at Michigan State University. "Do that now and prepare your seedbed for planting and you may be able to get an early start next year."

The best way to get rid of grass is to remove the sod entirely or kill the grass by covering it with black plastic, old tarps, scrap carpeting, heavy

cardboard or some similar material, or using a herbicide such as Roundup. If possible, remove, or kill the grass and till, then treat or recover the area to eliminate persistent perennials or annual weeds that germinate after you work the soil.

"Annual weed seeds may lie dormant in the soil for years and then germinate when conditions are right," McLellan points out. "Those that germinate now and are killed by subsequent tilling or smothering under plastic or cold weather won't be around to plague you next year."

Removing the sod and work-

ing the soil in the fall can also reduce some past problems. White grubs, for instance — those plump, C-shaped larvae that grow up to be June beetles — ordinarily feed on grass roots, but if lawn is converted to garden, they will switch to flower or vegetable plant roots. Preparing the garden spot in the fall eliminates some grubs outright and leaves others exposed to predation by birds and to killing cold temperatures.

Working the soil in the fall also provides a good opportunity to take a soil sample and have a soil test run. Soil test labs are less busy in the fall,

McLellan notes, so you should get your results quickly. And if the test indicates your garden needs liming, there will be time to do that yet this year. Contact your county MSU Extension office for information on how to take a sample and have it tested.

Whether you're breaking new ground or merely cleaning up and tilling this year's plot, working the soil in the fall may enable you to get an earlier start next year, especially if your garden soil is slow to dry out in the spring, McLellan suggests.

"Preparing the seedbed in the fall may mean you can get cool-weather crops in earlier



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than if you have to wait until the soil is dry enough to till or plow in the spring," she suggests. "If you have to wait, you may find yourself planting cool-weather crops one day and warm-weather crops the next."



New Playground Equipment

Students at Pierce Lake Elementary in Chelsea enjoy the new playground equipment installed recently. Pictured left are second graders Corey Vandervoort (left) and Michael Lenneman.



Right, a group of students get in some exercise on the new equipment.

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Kids can get help with research on the Internet

What if I were a kid for a week, back in school, studying in class, having homework assignments? Would I dig in and do the job right, get good grades, and succeed to my own satisfaction? If I were allowed to use the skills I now possess, I think I would give it a very good effort.

When I was in school, I detested book learning, including going to the library and searching for just the right book, spending hours poring over that book and then having to convert it all into handwriting. I could only do one thing at a time, and considered each task tedious and boring. My mind wanted to do 50 other things during the time that had to be devoted to the school assignment.

Lack of discipline or self-control? Maybe, but I just don't think I was built for single tasks.

I wonder what school would have been like, if we'd had computers and the Internet then? I can imagine coming home from school, logging onto my favorite browser, opening a text editor and beginning my research.

Let's say that I needed to do



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A Literature class report on "Gulliver's Travels" by Jonathon Swift. I would go to my favorite search engine, type in "Gulliver's Travels" and see what came up.

The very first site hit (<http://www.jaffebros.com/lee/gulliver/index.html>) scored 100 percent, which means that the site has all the words I typed into the search form. It turns out that this site is an excellent place to start my research because it has the text, illustrations, a dictionary, a timeline, links to other sites with information about the book, and other miscellaneous references. (Note: Please be aware that many search engines are not designed to filter out pornographic site references. It is up to individuals to use common sense and protec-

tion filters to prevent their children from inadvertently visiting these kinds of web sites.)

Now, "Gulliver's Travels" may be a great story, but the language causes my mind to bog down and then wander; so, for a brief respite, I can open another browser window, hop over to my favorite chat site, game site or other location to fill up on "useless" information.

Before leaving my work, though, I would save the text of my report, then minimize that window, plus the Jonathon Swift window. When I've had enough of my play time, and my conscience tells me to get back to that report, I just click back to my saved document and "Gulliver's Travels" browser window to finish my work.

Maybe I chose a subject that is too easy to find on the Net. After all, text is everywhere on the World Wide Web. But what if the subject were art and I had to find similarities in the paintings of Renoir and Monet?

Once again, I would use a search engine. I could wade through their numerous cate-

gories, narrowing my search until I got to just the right place, but that would be time consuming, take several steps, and would possibly limit me to the sites selected by some nameless person who may not have the same interests as I.

By typing my own choice of words into the search form, I would receive a list of all sites containing my query. Granted, I would have to narrow down the field in some cases; however, usually the closest matches are generally the ones with the highest percentage rating. (In this case, I am referring to the Infoseek search engine. Others work somewhat differently.)

At Columbia University's Claude Monet web site, (<http://www.columbia.edu/~jns16/monet.html/monet.html>) I found a very nicely organized set of Web pages, including a bibliography, samplings of paintings, a discussion of Monet's work, and a biography, among other things.

For Renoir, I was able to locate an aficionado's Web site, which contained some samplings, as well. This was at a site, simply entitled "Renoir's Works" (<http://www.geocities.com/Paris/LeftBank/1938/>). In my opin-

ion, the university site would be more helpful to a student in the case of studying for an extensive report; but as for simply comparing the two artists' styles, the Web sites I visited were sufficient.

As many subjects as there are in the school curriculum, there are even more aspects to each of those subjects. Art encompasses dance, sculpture, painting, and many more expressions. Math includes geometry, algebra, calculus. Science covers a whole universe of ideas, objects and composition.

The Internet provides a way to study those subjects and so much more. For every subject found on the Net, there are options, such as: Web sites, chat rooms and software. In some ways, I think this is so much more helpful for a student because everything is right there, literally at one's fingertips.

The one drawback I can see is that not all recommended research materials are online — yet. However, my eldest son is currently attending a new college in Florida, which has made it their goal to utilize the World Wide Web to its best ability. Mack was able to register as a new student, choose

his classes, meet other students, and is now studying with the help of his computer and the Internet. I think that is the ultimate in what they call "user friendly".

I don't have an easy solution for the materials on the Internet which are unsuitable for children. And I understand many people's reluctance to allow their families on the Internet for the very reason that this kind of information is all too easy to access.

Parental controls and software are the best forms of avoiding this, currently at our disposal. That said, I highly recommend the Net as a tool for gathering useful information for school studies. All three of my sons are adept at finding helpful information for their reports, and all three have enjoyed their searches on the Net — probably far more than any other form of research they have previously used.

If you have suggestions, clues, Web sites or questions regarding the Internet, please contact: Terry Lindstedt c/o The Chelsea Standard, 20750 Old US-12, Chelsea, 48118, or e-mail me at rlindstedt@sprynet.com



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Beaumont has devoted many years to the community of the greater Chelsea area. Clergy from other cities and visitors will be coming from as

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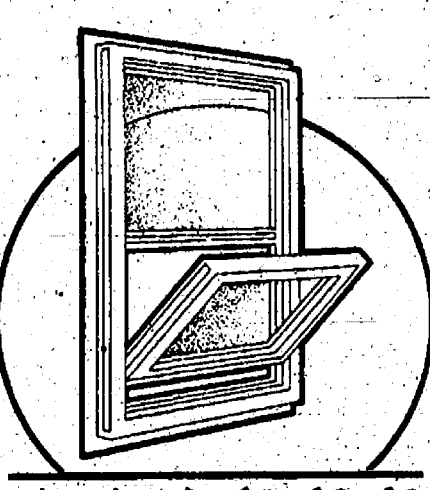
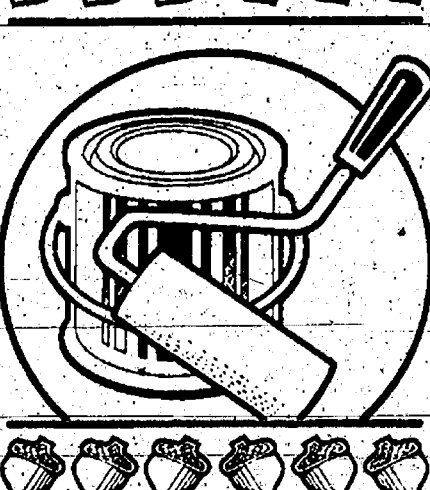
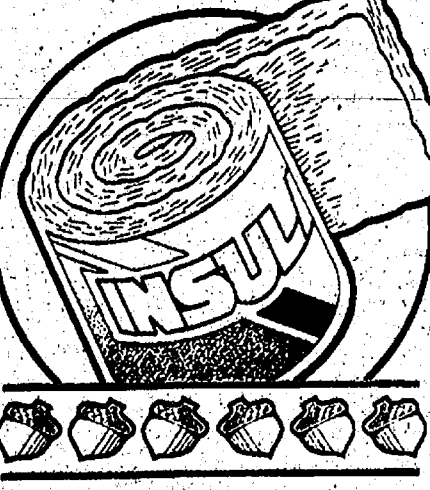
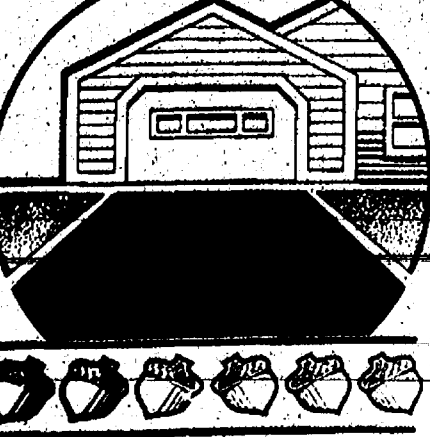
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ROLL CALL REPORT

WASHINGTON — Here's how area senators were recorded on major roll call votes in the week ending Sept. 4. The House was in recess.

SENATE VOTES —

NUCLEAR TREATY — The Senate voted, 49 for and 44 against, to spend \$28.9 million to advance the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, which the United States has signed but not ratified.

It has been blocked for nearly a year by senators who say it would cause America to relinquish too much of its nuclear deterrent. The \$28.9 million is for an international commission that seeks to enforce compliance in the event the treaty takes effect.

FOR EXAMPLE, the commission is to place hundreds of seismic monitoring devices in various countries. This vote

occurred during debate on a fiscal 1999 spending bill for foreign operations (S 2334) that was later passed.

James Jeffords (R-Vt.) said rating the treaty would "improve our national security and reduce the future threat of a missile attack...It is much easier to prevent the emergence of such threats than it is to protect against them once they have developed."

MAJORITY LEADER Trent Lott (R-Miss.) said funding the verification commission "prejudges" the ratification issue adding "I am convinced (the treaty) will limit our ability to maintain the safety and reliability of our vital nuclear deterrent."

A "yes" vote was to help fund an international effort to verify compliance with the test ban treaty.

Michigan members voting yes: Carl Levin (D-Southfield) **Voting no:** Spencer Abraham (R-Auburn Hills)

Not voting: None
SECRET FILES — Voting 50 for and 43 against, the Senate tabled (killed) a bid to declassify U.S. intelligence files relating to the murder or torture of American citizens in Honduras and Guatemala.

During debate, senators repeatedly mentioned Sister Diane Ortiz of Baltimore, who was tortured and raped in Guatemala in 1989. She has been unable to obtain government information to help her determine who assaulted her.

UNDER THE amendment to S 2334 (above), files were to remain secret if disclosure

would expose intelligence gathering procedures or personnel.

John Kyl (R-Ariz.) said CIA Director George Tenet regards the amendment as "woefully inadequate to protect our national security and the information that we need to keep classified in the United States." He said it would give foreigners access to U.S. intelligence.

CHRISTOPHER DODD (D-Conn.) said: "Sister Ortiz's life has never been the same. Her efforts to shed light on the details of the crimes against her have been met with indifference, at best. As is too often the case in rape cases, she believes that rather than being viewed as the victim, she has been treated by certain government officials as perpetrator..."

A "yes" vote opposed declassification of certain intelligence files.

Voting yes: Abraham. **Voting no:** Levin. **Not voting:** None.

NORTH KOREA — The Senate blocked U.S. funding of an international effort to provide nuclear power reactors for North Korea while halting its nuclear weapons program.

At issue was whether to approve \$35 million in S 2334 (above) for the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KPEDO). North Korea has agreed to allow that body to help it build two nuclear power plants in return for stopping its weapons program.

HOWEVER, IT recently undermined the agreement by

firing a ballistic missile through Japanese air space. On this vote, senators rejected, 11 for and 80 against, the administration's request for \$35 million for KPEDO in fiscal 1999.

Carl Levin (D-Mich.) said ending U.S. support of KPEDO would "effectively give North Korea an excuse to produce plutonium that it could use for nuclear weapons, which would be absolutely contrary to our most basic national security interests."

KAY HUTCHISON (R-Tex.) said it would be "highly irresponsible for the U.S. Senate to go forward with a no-strings-attached gift of \$35 million" until North Korea stops building nuclear weapons and selling nuclear technology to rogue nations.

A "yes" vote was to continue U.S. support of the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization.

Voting yes: Levin. **Voting no:** Abraham. **Not voting:** None.

RADIOACTIVE WASTE — Voting 78 for and 15 against, the Senate passed a bill (HR 629) that enables Vermont and Maine to enter into a compact with Texas to ship their low-level radioactive waste to Texas.

U.S. law requires states to

dispose of low-level nuclear waste internally or through arrangements with another state. According to debate, the Texas Legislature has approved construction of a site in Hudspeth County, near the Mexican border, to receive the Vermont and Maine waste.

AT ISSUE on this vote, in part, was whether the dump is being forced upon an impoverished, Hispanic population in the town of Sierra Blanca.

Patrick Leahy (D-Vermont) said: "We cannot continue to ignore the need to safely store nuclear waste. To do so would be to ignore the growing environmental problem of storing this waste at inadequate, temporary sites in Vermont, Maine and Texas."

PAUL WELLSTONE (D-Minn.) called the measure "an issue of environmental justice" that is "the business of all of us in the U.S. Senate." He added: "The communities of color always take it on the chin...where are you going to put a waste dump site? It is never in our backyard?"

A "yes" vote was to approve the waste disposal compact.

Voting yes: Levin, Abraham. **Voting no:** None. **Not voting:** None.

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Are you a lucky homemaker whose garden is exploding with tomatoes, zucchini and other vegetables?

Then you probably could use some new recipes to take advantage of summer's bounty. Joanne Weir, chef and culinary instructor, offers 250 recipes for tomatoes in her new cookbook, "You Say Tomato" (Broadway Books, \$15).

She reminds us that botanically the tomato is a fruit, but is officially a vegetable. In the early 1890s, she writes, it was classified as a fruit to avoid taxation.

The author traces the history of the tomato and includes a tomato glossary, a list of tomato varieties, hints for successfully growing tomatoes and sources for seeds.

Recipes are included for sauces, soups, salads, pies, tarts, pizza, pastas, grains, breads, sandwiches, side dishes, beverages, ketchup, desserts and seafood, meat and poultry dishes with tomatoes.

A few of the intriguing recipes are Fried Green Tomato "Sandwiches" (herbed goat cheese between cornmeal-



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dipped slices), Tomato-Basil Soup With Crispy Polenta Sticks, Ratatouille Torta, Penne With Sausage and Cream, Spanish-Style Gypsy Omelette, and Love Apple Chocolate Cake (tomatoes were dubbed "love apples" by Sir Walter Raleigh, the theory goes).

In a chapter on tomato techniques, Weir offers this recipe for:

MAKING OVEN-DRIED TOMATOES

3 pounds plum tomatoes, cored and cut lengthwise in half

1 tablespoon coarse salt

Place the tomatoes, cut side up on a baking sheet and sprinkle with salt. Let sit for 1 hour.

Preheat the oven to 250 degrees.

Bake the tomatoes until they are almost dry, yet still slightly soft and plump, 5 to 6 hours.

To store oven-dried tomatoes, pack them into clean jars, cover with olive oil and refrigerate, or freeze them in plastic zip bags.

An outstanding series of cookbooks from Taunton Press covers peppers, onions, potatoes and beans. Each costs \$19.95, traces the history of the vegetable, offers cooking, buying and storage tips and is illustrated with full-color photographs of different varieties of the vegetable and many of the recipes.

In "The Potato Harvest Cookbook," Ashley Miller, a former chef at the Moosewood Restaurant in Ithaca, N.Y., provides 70 original recipes and identifies in color photographs 33 potato varieties. The recipes include Baked Rosemary, Onion and Potato Cake, Sweet-Sour Potato Beet

Soup, Potato Olive Bread and Tiny New Potatoes With Dill Pesto.

"The Bean Harvest Cookbook," also by Miller, follows the same format with such hearty recipes as Fava Bean and Onion Stew over Lemony Couscous, Brunswick Stew Twice Removed, Caribbean Bean Soup and Lentil and Wheat Berry Salad.

In a chapter on "emission control," the author suggests soaking beans thoroughly, throwing out the soaking water, then rinsing them thoroughly and adding fresh water before cooking.

She also advises cooking the beans thoroughly because uncooked starch is a gas-producer.

The other two cookbooks, by Barbara Ciletti, are "The Onion Harvest Cookbook" and "The Pepper Harvest Cookbook."

The first contains 75 recipes and illustrations including directions for chopping and mincing onions and trimming,

coring and cutting up a leek, plus tips on how to avoid tears.

Mouth-watering photographs depict Garlic Ginger Salmon, Leek and Chicken Potpie, Teriyaki Beef With Toasted Sesame Seeds, Pizza With Crab, Onions and Bell Peppers, and much more.

In the pepper book, Ciletti writes humorously about how she won a pepper-eating contest as a 9-year-old.

She downed a pint of cherry peppers competing against 12 of her cousins, but remained "physically altered for days," she writes.

Each recipe in the cookbook is rated on a heat scale from mild to hot.

Among the recipes are Yellow Pepper and Tomato Sauce; Pizza With Peppers, Gjetost and Shrimp; Pepper Corn Bread; Red Bell Pepper Soup; Penné With Pine Nuts and Peppers; Stuffed Peppers; and Fettuccine With Salmon and Pepper-Lemon Cream Sauce.

"Down to earth," by Geor-

ganne Brennan (Chronicle Books; \$16.95), explores the underground of such root vegetables as turnips, carrots, parsnips, beets, sweet potatoes, onions, Jerusalem artichokes, jicama and rutabaga.

The author, founder and former co-owner of Le Marche Seed Co., is a food and garden writer.

Brennan explains the origins of vegetables from beets to yucca and provides tips on how to select them and information on their availability.

Recipes are included for "small dishes," salads, soups, stews, main dishes and breads and sweets.

"That roots belong in sweets is evidenced by the popularity of carrot cake and sweet potato pie, two American dessert classics," Brennan writes.

Among recipes in the category are Carrot and Persimmon Tea Cake, Parsnip Dark Spice Cake, Carrot and Orange Muffins, Sweet Potato Flan and Fallen Lemon-Ginger Souffle.

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The Michigan Department of Agriculture advises consumers to pay attention to dates on food labels.

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The law does not prohibit the sale of food after the recommended last day of sale as

long as the item is wholesome and clearly identified as having passed the recommended last day of sale.

A "sell by" date tells the store how long to keep the product on display for sale.

The product should be bought before the date expires.

A "best if used by" (or "before") date tells the consumer when to use the product for optimum quality. It is not a

purchase or safety date.

A "use by" date signifies the last date recommended for consumption of a product while at its best quality. That date is determined by the manufacturer.

Closed or coded dates are packing numbers used by the manufacturer. According to the MDA, except for "use by" dates, food dates do not always refer to use and storage after purchase.

Items kept at 40 degrees or below should be safe and of good quality even if the date expires during home storage.

The expiration date on egg cartons is the last day a retailer may sell the eggs as fresh. If they are purchased before the expiration date, they should be safe to use three to five weeks after the date of purchase.

For copies of MDA charts listing storage times for refrigerator storage of fresh or uncooked products and processed products sealed at the plant, send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Evelyn Cairns, Kitchen Korner, The News-Herald Newspapers, One Heritage Place, Southgate, MI 48195.

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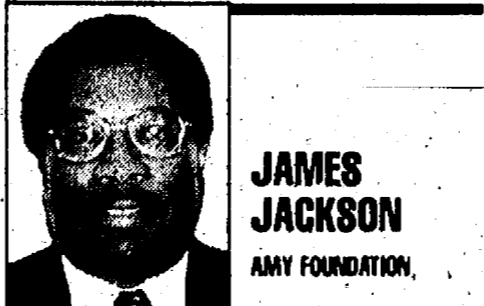
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Teaching core values important



CROSSROADS

As a guest on a recent radio talk show, I handled calls from listeners concerning morality and raising ethical and moral kids. One caller asked whose morality is correct, while another asked how to teach kids moral living when the dominant culture is 'relative morality,' whereby each one decides what is truth, and even what is true today may change tomorrow.

I suggested three steps for consideration: 1. Embrace a set of core values; 2. Establish your opinions and positions on issues based upon known truth and conviction; and 3. Determine not to compromise in those areas.

I was asked where one gets a "set of core values?" Core values are those unchangeable life decisions and positions that have a basis of conviction and integrity. Core values are interwoven into your person and do not change when you

are tempted to violate those convictions. For instance, if you're in a store and have not already decided that stealing has no place in your life, your decision about stealing will be based upon opportunity. If you wait until someone offers illegal drugs to you to decide where you stand on the issue, you may find yourself accepting drugs and the accompanying dead-end lifestyle.

A core set of values means that you steadfastly adhere to a code of conduct and principles by which you order your life. When pressured to operate outside of that code, a core set of values will likely keep you from making such a mistake. When voting, people often compromise their values by ignoring bad behavior or accepting views that clearly violate the voter's personal moral code in order to elect a candidate who agrees with them in one area, but who comes up far short on moral and ethical issues. A mantra of moral relativity tells us to 'hold our noses' and vote for a candidate who reeks of malfeasance and demonstrates no visible code of ethics. Many candidates depend upon people who have no moral code and who rely on others to decide right and wrong for them.

Core values fortify a person against blindly following peo-

ple or programs that oppose one's strongly held beliefs. Compromise is a necessary life ingredient, but not when it means abandoning moral values or personal integrity. It is said that if you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything. If you usually depend upon someone else to tell you what to think about an issue, or allow your fleshly desires to dictate how you will act, you probably have no core values, which are essential in imparting values in children.

Don't compromise, don't be wishy-washy, supporting one side of an issue today, another tomorrow. Be consistent. Give your child a road map that will serve him well as he navigates the often times treacherous path through life.

Embrace a core set of values for your life and teach your children values and ethics. The Bible gives us direction in The Ten Commandments, which, while often deprecated as outdated or anti-Constitutional, are unquestionably applicable to ordering one's life today. The Scripture also says, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." That, in a nutshell is what it means to teach core values.

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DEATHS



TAMMY M. LISZNYAI Jackson
Age 30, died Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1998, in her home. She was born on April 17, 1968 in Detroit, the daughter of Michael A. and Pamela J. (Picord) Lisznyai. Tammy was employed at ABC Five Serve in Jackson and graduated from Chelsea High School.

Survivors include two sons, Christopher and Jacob; one daughter, Jessica; her parents of Jackson; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Richard (Mary) Kalmbach of Chelsea; paternal grandfather, Keith Peter Picord of Milwaukee; paternal grandparents, Edward and Stella Lisznyai of Taylor; her great-grandmother, Alice Erickson of Gladstone; two sisters, Kristine (Roger) Loucks of Jackson and Mary Lisznyai of Jackson and one niece.

Funeral service was held Saturday, Sept. 12 at 10 a.m. at Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea, with Pastor Rich Ratts officiating. Burial was at Oak Grove East Cemetery, Chelsea. The family received friends Friday, Sept. 11, 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Tammy Lisznyai Memorial Fund.

Oct. 26, 1927 in Detroit. He married Patricia L. Benjamin in Royal Oak on July 6, 1951. Mr. Stange served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II. He was a graduate of Wayne State University with a degree in education in 1951. He was a member of the TKE fraternity. He earned his master's degree in 1960 from Michigan State University. He taught history and driver education for 36 years in Royal Oak Public Schools and coached high school football and track for 20 years. He negotiated for, and was past president of the Royal Oak Education Association. He retired in 1988 to build his dream home, travel, ski and golf.

Mr. Stange's children include Mark (Patricia) Stange of Rochester Hills, Lynn Stange of Troy, Michael Stange of Royal Oak, Marshall (Patti) Stange of Rochester Hills, Leigh (Tom) Dobek of Sterling Heights, and Leslie (David) Harwood of Port Huron. His siblings include Al (Marge) Stange of Boerne, Texas, Lewis Stange of Royal Palm Beach, Fla., and Don (Mary Ann) Stange of Rochester Hills. He also had 12 grandchildren.

Funeral service will be Thursday, Sept. 17 at St. John Episcopal Church in Royal Oak, with the Rev. Linda Northcraft officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Chron's and Colitis FDN or Individualized Hospice of Ann Arbor.

Arrangements by William Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak.

DALE E. LINDEMANN Dexter
Age 64, died Monday, Sept. 14, 1998, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born Oct. 3, 1933, in Chelsea, the son of Reuben and Hilda (Lesser) Lindemann. Dale was united in marriage to Vivian Miller March 6, 1962, in Dexter. He was a 1951 graduate of Dexter High School; He was a member of the Farm Bureau, Dexter American Legion, and the Tri-County Sportsmen Club.

He is survived by his wife Vivian; mother Hilda Lindemann of Dexter; children, Jean Schroeder of Dexter, Wanda (Greg) Brindamour of Tecumseh, Dear Lindemann of Dexter, Lucy Dukovich of Clinton; step-children, David Lindemann of Florida and Dena (James) Karpus of Florida; nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Joan (Eugene) Luckhardt of Saline; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, and infant daughter, Carol.

Funeral service was Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 2 p.m. at Hosmer-Muehleig Funeral Chapel, Dexter, with the Rev. Gary Kwiatek officiating. Burial was in St. Andrews Cemetery in Dexter. The family received friends at the funeral home on Tuesday from 1-4 and 6-9 p.m. and Wednesday from 10 a.m. until noon. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to St. Andrews United Church of Christ or Hospice of Washtenaw.

EDWARD STANGE
Chelsea
Age 70, died at home Sept. 14, 1998, of colon cancer. He was born

BIRTHS

A son, Aaron James, born June 5 to Michael and Teresa Miller of Madison, Wis. Maternal grandparents are Jim and Dixie Rudnicki of Chelsea. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Clara Miller of Wacousta.

A daughter, Alissa Nicole Trinkle, Aug. 11, at the University of Michigan, to Anthony and Julie Trinkle of Dexter. Maternal grandparents are Dick and Shawn Detling of Dexter. Paternal grandparents are Doug and Penny Trinkle of Dexter. Great-grandparents are Lloyd and Joyce Boyce, Richard and Gladys Detling, Harold Trinkle, and Virginia Perry, all of Dexter. Great-grandmother is Anna Boiciuk of Ann Arbor.

A daughter, Taylor Jessica Karns, Aug. 15, to Dave and Kelly Karns of Marshall. Maternal grandparents are Jack and Mary Ann Hammon of South Lyon. Paternal grandparents are Ted and Helen Karns of Pinckney. Great-grandparents are Byford and Ardic Karns of Howell and Helen Wallman of Belleville.

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New youth director starts

The First United Methodist Church of Chelsea begins a new Sunday School and education year with a variety of activities led by its new Christian education and youth ministry director, Paul Crockett.

The Rev. Crockett plans several special activities targeting Chelsea and Dexter area youth in grades 7-12 to start off the year.

Members of the youth group (and any others interested) will be attending a concert by Michael Card on Sept. 24 in Jackson. The following Sunday, Sept. 27, a group of youth will encounter the Ropes Course at the Judson Collins Methodist Center, near Clinton.

The Ropes Course, a progression of events on ropes, cables pulleys and beams, involves teamwork, self-discovery, and group-processing skills. This experience increases self-confidence, provides a sense of achievement, and promotes personal growth and group cohesiveness. People interested in these events, should contact Crockett at 475-8119, or through email at sycamoreerth@hotmail.com.



The Rev. Paul Crockett is the new youth ministry director.

In addition to these youth activities, Chelsea First United Methodist is kicking off the new year for its Sunday School program, with classes for toddlers through adults.

Adult classes range from Bible study to classes addressing social action and family issues. The Sunday evening youth program is being expanded to provide activities before the contemporary worship service and fellowship following the service.

Crockett comes to Chelsea from Durham, N.C. where he was completing postgraduate work in pastoral counseling at the Life Enrichment Center. While doing this work, he also

began work on a second undergraduate degree in English in order to get teacher certification.

A graduate of George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., and the Duke University Divinity School in Durham, Crockett was specializing in adolescent grief counseling. He sees his gifts for ministry to be as encouraging and supporting youth, as well as "knowing how to play."

Providing pastoral care for youth and adults is also a passion developed through extensive therapeutic training. He can also serve pizza well, having spent eight months as one of the oldest waiters at The Cottage Inn in downtown Ann Arbor.

Crockett is a native of Alexandria, Va., where he was not involved in church until the age of 15, when he wanted to play recreational softball. Joining church to play softball eventually led him to a more personal relationship with God. As the Christian education director, and chief "administrator and recruiter," Crockett hopes to find the people needed to both participate in and to lead the programs that will reach out to youth and adults like himself.

Crockett joined the church staff in early August, replacing Shannon Hamrick, who returned to graduate school.

Chelsea First United Methodist Church is located at 128 Park St. across from the Purple Rose Theatre.

For more information, contact 475-8119 or visit the church web site at <http://www.gbgm-umc-org/churches/chelsea/>.



Chelsea Color Guard Alumnae will perform together Oct. 16.

Color guard alums to perform

For two full decades, the Chelsea Color Guard has entertained high school football fans on Friday nights. Now, 20 years of performers will assemble for a special Homecoming presentation on Oct. 16.

Under the leadership of high school English teacher Phil Jones, this all-female extension of the marching band will call back together all of the performers who have been under his tutelage since 1978 — some whom spent only one season, others who dedicated four years to the activity.

These former flag handlers

will meet at the new high school band room for a quick tour of the new facilities, receive a commemorative t-shirt, pizza and learn a routine which will be performed for the home-town crowd at the football game that night.

One of the big difficulties in assembling this group is contacting the former members. Many of these women are now raising families in different parts of the state, or have moved to other areas of the country. Jones is hoping that anyone knowing the whereabouts of former color guard members will let them

know about the organizing effort.

All interested parties should RSVP to Jones at 475-7688 to allow the organizers to know the number of shirts, pizzas and flags that will be needed. The uniform will consist of the T-shirt and khaki slacks, shorts, or skirt.

BOLYARD

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ly come to appreciate. Former Zoning Board of Appeals member John Tandy, former zoning administrator Carl Willoughby and the late Earl Doletzky are folks who schooled her about everything from who's who in Dexter Township to zoning and the township's farming history.

Bolyard says she knows why people find the area so attractive because she came here for the same reasons: peace and quiet and it's beautiful, natural scenery. Her own home sits on a hill overlooking a valley.

"I actually jump when a plane goes over my house because I am not used to that," she says. "You don't hear the hum of the city."

It was Bolyard's mother, Carol, now deceased, who was the biggest influence in her life. "I guess in my own way I modeled my mom and left out parts I didn't like."

"She was a very loving, strict woman. We had our rules to abide by and when we didn't, we were definitely grounded. Yet at the same time, she was very loving," Bolyard recalls. "I was very lucky because I knew I was loved."

Bolyard married at age 16 with her parents' permission. She met her husband, who is from Wyandotte, at a roller rink when she was 13. Despite starting a family right away, Bolyard graduated from high school on time. The couple has three children, Carol Bolyard, 27, a police officer in Detroit; Melissa Overton, 26, a police officer for the University of Michigan; and Phillip Bolyard, 20, a member of the U.S. Air Force.

"I think they are proud we are their parents and raised them as we did," Bolyard says.

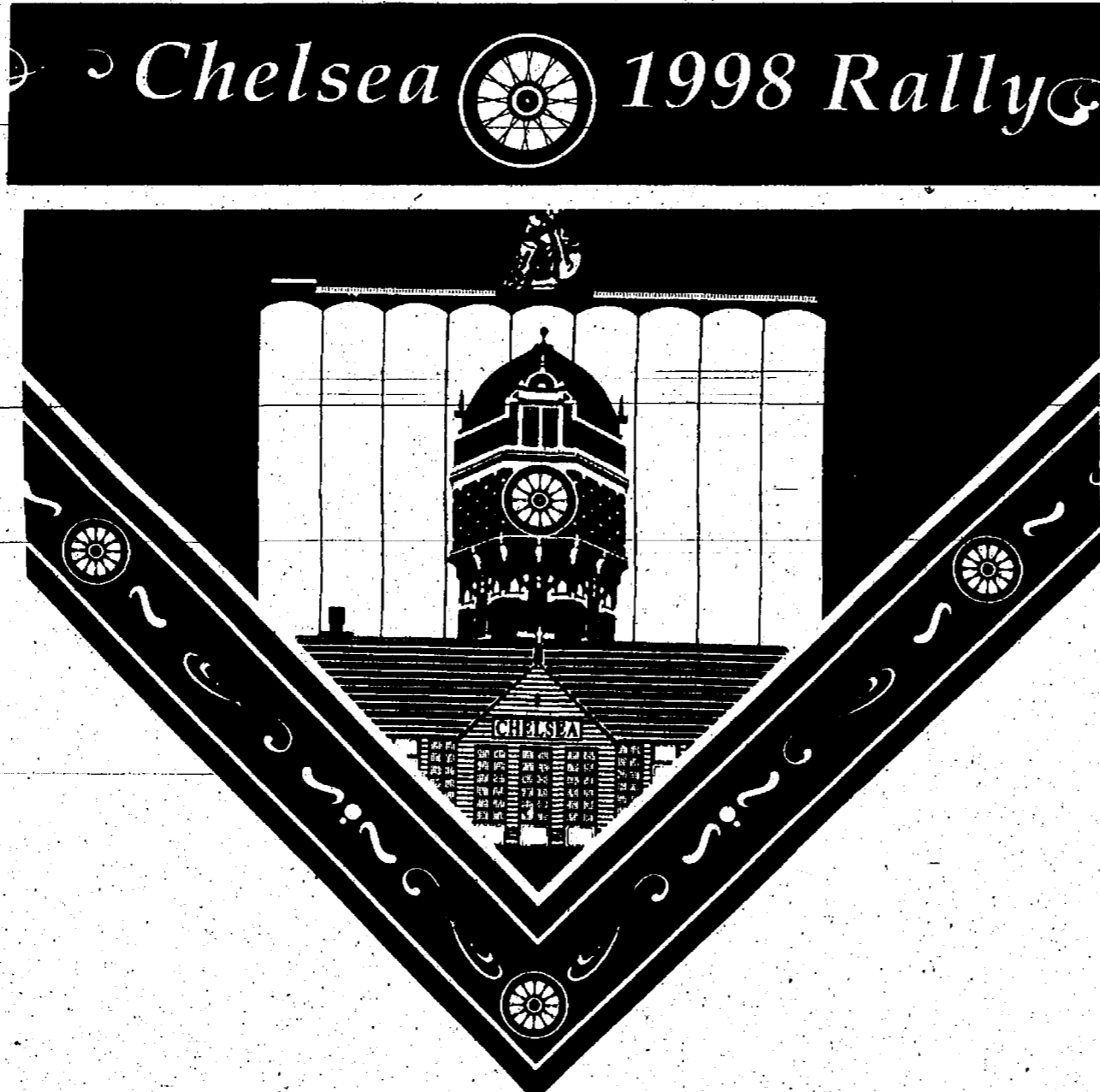
Now that their children are grown and Bolyard and her husband are still relatively young, she says they do a lot of things together.

Among Bolyard's favorite pastimes are golf, bowling and making crafts. If she hadn't married young, Bolyard says she likely would have pursued a career as a commercial artist. She often finds herself combing local art fairs for ideas. She makes dried flower wreaths, afghans and other crafts that strike her fancy.

Bolyard enjoys spending her vacations on a cruiseship. She has gone on seven cruises in 10 years, visiting such places as the Virgin Islands, Mexico and Grand Cayman Islands. She and her husband are looking forward to future cruises to Hawaii and Alaska.

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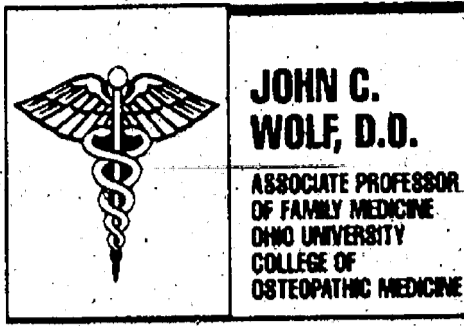


Head lice a common problem for kids

Question: Last year, my 8-year-old daughter was sent home from school with head lice. With school just starting, I'd like to know how to prevent this from happening again.

Answer: Lice are insects that feed upon us humans. The particular order of these creatures that prefer to live on the scalp, back of the neck, and behind the ears is called *Pediculus humanus capitis*, for those of you interested in medical names. The majority of us just call them head lice.

Head lice are quite common, particularly among school-aged children and other groups where there is frequent physical contact. Adult head lice are visible as very small insects on the scalp. In fact, the are so small that I find using a magnifying glass makes them easier to see.



FAMILY MEDICINE

Adult lice bite the scalp to feed. This produces local skin irritation that is usually noticed as itching red areas rather than as pain. In addition to biting, the adult lice lay eggs, called nits, that are attached to hair shafts. The nits take about one month to hatch and another two to three weeks to mature into adults. These new adults then continue their life cycle on that individual, or they may be spread to someone else.

Most grade schools do "head checks" to look for head lice and will then promptly send infested children home for treatment. This is a sensible policy to reduce the spread of lice to other children and teachers. Parents often feel that finding head lice on their child is an accusation of inadequate child-care or of poor hygiene. Not true! Head lice only indicate that your child has friends.

You can reduce the risk of head lice by asking your child to never put on someone else's cap and to never let someone else wear hers. She should also not brush or comb someone else's hair or loan her comb or brush to another child. She should also avoid playing in a fashion that would involve physical contact with another person. The likelihood of any normal child doing any of these things is nearly zero. Therefore, the best you can do is periodically look at your child's scalp and hair closely for signs of lice.

Don't panic if your child has head lice. There are several non-prescription medicines that work well. Rid, and other products with different brand names, contain pyrethrum, a natural extract of chrysanthemums. Nix, a product containing permethrin, a syn-

thetic chemical that is very similar to the natural extract, works quite well, too. These drugs are effective at killing head lice for about 95 percent of sufferers. But products also require meticulous combing of the treated hair with a very fine comb that pulls the nits free from the hair shaft.

There are stronger drugs available by prescription for those who need them, but try one of the non-prescription products first. It is also important to wash bedding and potentially contaminated clothing in hot water to kill any adult lice or nits that may be present on them. This will reduce the risk of a recurrence of head lice in your home.

"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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VILLAGE OF CHELSEA YOUR IDEAS ABOUT CHELSEA ARE NEEDED . . .

The Village of Chelsea is beginning the process of updating the Village Master Plan. When it is complete, the Master Plan will be an official policy document adopted by the Village Planning Commission. The Village Master Plan will provide a long-term guide to future decisions on land use, community development, public infrastructure, facilities and services. This document serves as a guide to Village policy over the next 15 years. It also provides the legal framework for the Village Zoning Ordinance and other development regulations.

A vital component of the Master Plan preparation is public participation, with the first public workshop scheduled for October 1, 1998 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Chelsea Depot. Anyone interested in attending should call the village offices by September 25th at 475-1771.

WEBSTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEALS

5665 WEBSTER CHURCH RD., DEXTER, MI 48130

The Webster Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Monday, September 21, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. for the appeal of Jill Becker, Luma, 1351 Blue Heron Dr., Whitmore Lake, MI, for variances on the Set Back Requirements on existing 30'x40' Pole Barn. Barn is constructed 14' from side property line. Ordinance requires 30'. Application may be viewed at the Township Office, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Anyone wishing to express their opinions are invited to attend this meeting.

Richard Klainschmidt, Chairman
Webster Township Board of Appeals

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC NOTICE

The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners is scheduled to consider resumes for appointments to its various Boards, Committees and Commissions at the November 18, 1998 Board session. The meeting will take place at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan. The appointments will become effective January 1, 1999. These appointments will include:

- Two appointments to the ACCOMMODATIONS ORDINANCE COMMISSION for one-year terms expiring December 31, 1999.
- Seven appointments to the BUILDING CODE/CONSTRUCTION APPEALS BOARD for two-year terms expiring December 31, 2000.
- Five appointments to the COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD for three-year term expiring December 31, 2001. (Area to be represented: Private and Public)
- One appointment to the COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD for the remainder of a three-year term expiring December 31, 2000. (Area to be represented: Consumer)
- One appointment to the FAMILY ADVISORY COUNCIL for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2001.
- Two appointments to the FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001.
- Six appointments to the FRIEND OF THE COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE for three-year terms staggered to expire December 31, 1999 - 2001.
- Three appointments to the GRADING/SOIL EROSION ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD for three-year terms staggered to expire December 31, 1999 - 2001.
- One appointment to the HEALTH CODE BOARD OF APPEALS for the remainder of a five-year term expiring December 31, 2000.
- Two appointments to the HEARING BOARD FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOOD SERVICE REGULATIONS for two-year terms expiring December 31, 2000.
- Two appointments to the HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001.
- Four appointments to the HURON RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL for two-year terms expiring December 31, 2000.
- One appointment to the LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES for a five-year term expiring December 31, 2003.
- Thirty-one appointments to the LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001. (Areas to be represented: law enforcement, fire fighting, local environment, hospitals, transportation, broadcast media, print media, community groups, owner/operator of facility subject to Title III, labor, education and agriculture)
- Two appointments to the O'BRIEN CENTER/COPE POLICY BOARD for two-year terms expiring December 31, 2000.
- One appointment to the PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2001.
- Three appointments to the PLANNING COMMISSION for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001.
- One appointment to the PLANNING COMMISSION for the remainder of a three-year term expiring December 31, 1999.
- Two appointments to the BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001.
- One appointment to the ROAD COMMISSION for a six-year term expiring December 31, 2004.
- Three appointments to the SHERIFF'S COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001.
- One appointment to the WASHTENAW COUNTY/CITY OF ANN ARBOR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2001. (Area to be represented: Service areas)
- Ten appointments to the WASHTENAW COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2001. (Areas to be represented: Private**, Organized Labor, Economic Development, MESA**, Public Assistance)

**Individuals interested in appointment to the private sector must submit resumes through their local chamber of commerce. Letters of interest and resumes should be addressed to Tammy Richards, County Administrator's Office, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107. If you wish to forward via the internet or fax, letter and resume should be addressed to Tammy Richards at richardt@co.washtenaw.mi.us or faxed to (734)994-2592. Those resumes received by November 2, 1998 will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for its consideration on November 18, 1998.

For additional information please contact:

Tammy Richards
County Administrator's Office
(734)994-1825
email: richardt@co.washtenaw.mi.us
http://www.co.washtenaw.mi.us

RELEASED: September 2, 1998

LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING SUMMARY — SEPTEMBER 8, 1998

Meeting called to order and opened with pledge of allegiance to the flag. Moved and carried to approve minutes for 8/11/98 and 8/20/98.

P. Hannford, Township Auditor, presented a Preliminary Report and Township Board discussed it with Mr. Hannford.

Moved and carried to send a letter to Chelsea State Bank from Lyndon Township Board on the advice of our accountants to request our canceled checks be returned to the municipality. In addition the board request that a representative from the bank address the board at our October Board meeting to answer numerous questions on our accounts.

Offered and carried to adopt resolution, Lyndon Township Investment Policy, as presented and becomes effective 9/9/98.

Offered and carried to adopt the resolution to levy one-percent property tax administration fee for 12/1/98-11/30/99 as presented.

Moved and carried to table Private Accounts until November Board Meeting.

Moved and carried to table Private Roads until October Board Meeting.

Moved and carried to approve paying bills totaling \$57,843.68.

Reports were given.

Offered and carried a resolution whereas the Lyndon Township Board feels it is in the best interest of Lyndon Township to have Multi Lake Water & Sewer Authority to no longer continue acting as the escrow agent for the Authority.

Correspondence presented.

Moved and carried to notify Department of Environmental Quality that Lyndon Township is requesting a Public Hearing on application for a permit from D. Sturdevant.

Moved and carried to adjourn at 9:36 p.m.

Janis Knieper
Lyndon Township Clerk

VILLAGE OF DEXTER PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PUD AREA PLAN AND REZONING REQUEST

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended (City and Village Zoning Act), notice is hereby given that the Village of Dexter Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 1998, at the First of America Building, 8123 Main Street, Second Floor Meeting Room, Dexter, MI 48130 for the purpose of considering the following:

A PUD (Planned Unit Development) Area Plan and Rezoning request for the property located at 3515 Broad Street, in the Village Residential District. The applicant is Edwin Gilbert, representing the Gilbert Company.

Information regarding this project is available for public inspection at the Village Zoning Office on the second floor of the First of America Building, 8123 Main Street, Dexter between 9:30 am and 4:00 pm.

Written comments regarding this special use request should be submitted to the Village Clerk no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, October 2, 1998. Sign language interpreter, or other assistance, is provided upon request to the Clerk, at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Minutes of all meetings are available at Village Hall.

Donna Fisher, Clerk
8140 Main Street
Dexter, Michigan 48130

LIMA TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS CLEAN UP DAY

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| Li Truck | \$1.75 each |
| Semi Truck | \$7.00 each |
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—Lima Township Board—

VILLAGE OF DEXTER PLANNING COMMISSION WILL MEET TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1998, 7:30 P.M. AT DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL 6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI 48130

AGENDA

- 1) Proposed Zoning Map
- 2) Huron River Water Shed Council — Presentation
- 3) Fees Committee Report
- 4) Huron River Metro Parks — Amended Site Plan (Hudson Mills Golf Course)
- 5) Toledo Pipe Line — Letter of Credit and Final Site Plan

VILLAGE OF DEXTER
Bill Milam, Chairman
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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE: SALE OF SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL

TAKE NOTICE that the following described real estate commonly known as the Sylvan Township Hall, 112 W. Middle Street, Michigan, shall be exposed for public sale at 11:00 in the forenoon on the 26th day of October, 1998, at the Clerk's Office, Sylvan Township Hall, 112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan 48118, at a cash price of not less than \$190,000.00, net of all costs and commissions of sale. Any offer is subject to subsequent acceptance or rejection by the Township Board of Sylvan, which reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Board will meet in the Township Hall on November 5, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. to act on any offer received. The real estate which will be offered for sale is specifically described as:

Village of Chelsea, South 81-feet of Lots 5 and 55, also the South 81 feet of the West 21 feet of Lots 4 and 56, Block 5, of the Original Plat of the Village of Chelsea.

All offers must be submitted in writing and on a required form, which is available to the public at the Sylvan Township Office, 112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan, on Monday through Wednesday from 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon, telephone number 734/475-8899. The building is open for inspection by interested parties during those hours or by appointment. All offers must be accompanied by a deposit equal to five percent (5%) of the offered price and a letter from a federally insured depository institution demonstrating the credit worthiness and ability of the offeror to complete and close the sale. Realtor and agency commissions must be disclosed. If an offer is accepted which is subject to a commission, the commission will be honored. Offers by agents for undisclosed principals will not be considered. Offers must be received at the Township Hall by 10:00 A.M., October 26, 1998. Offers will be open and read on October 26, 1998 at 11:00 A.M. Terms for closing, possession, rental, forfeiture of deposits, deed, title insurance, and transaction costs are set forth in the required form. All sales will be "as is" without representation or warranty as to conditions of the premises or use.

LuAnn S. Koch,
Sylvan Township Clerk

Dated: 9-2-98

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING — SEPTEMBER 1, 1998

The regular meeting of the Sylvan Township Board was held September 1, 1998 at 7 PM in the Sylvan Township Hall, 112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, MI 48118.

The following board members were present: Supervisor Dresselhouse, Clerk Koch, Treasurer Grau, Trustee Heller and Trustee Lesser.

Also present were Jim Smith, Jim Uphaus, Julie Knight, Ray Steinbach and Charles Burgess.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Koch to pay bills as presented. Carried.

Jim Smith was present representing Mr. Weiser at Crooked Lake regarding a fire-works display. Motion by Lesser, seconded by Heller for Heller to be named a fire on their insurance policy for this event. Carried.

Jim Uphaus was present requesting a Temporary Dwelling on Garvey Road. Motion by Lesser, seconded by Heller for Uphaus to obtain all necessary permits from the County and post a \$5,000 bond before a Temporary Dwelling permit will be issued. Carried.

Zoning Inspector Burgess reported 10 permits issued in August.

Supervisor Dresselhouse reported the Fire Authority status, and the fee schedule future revisions.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Grau to keep Tom Bliesner as our Agent for MCM Group insurance at his new location. Carried.

Trustee Lesser reported on the new Township Hall. Report submitted to board from Midwestern Consulting regarding tree contracted service request of Bollinger Sanitation. Motion by Grau, seconded by Lesser, to approve the services requested: extra tree removal, material cost for placement of 50% of 21AA aggregate (base for entry and parking lot), undercut of entry drive and culvert material with the exception of \$15 per ton for 21AA aggregate for the drive and parking lot. 3 eyes, 1 hay. Carried.

Lesser also reported location is needed to place the flag pole and seeding and landscaping is to be eliminated out of the contract. Two other estimates have been received for yard raking, seeding and mulching for the immediate need of \$2,900 and \$3,500. It was noted that additional seeding and mulching will be needed at a later time. Dresselhouse to negotiate out the seeding and mulching for \$11,800 and landscaping for \$15,249.00 with Porath Construction. When that is completed and approved Lesser to advise Bob Perding to do immediate seeding for \$2,500.

The board was presented with a Notice of Sale and the Offer to Purchase the Sylvan Township Hall. A Resolution was presented to expose for public sale on the 26th day of October, 1998 in the forenoon at the Township Clerk office, 112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan at a cash price, not less than \$190,000.00, and subject to the subsequent acceptance or rejection of any offer by the Township Board. Roll call vote was taken with all eyes. Carried.

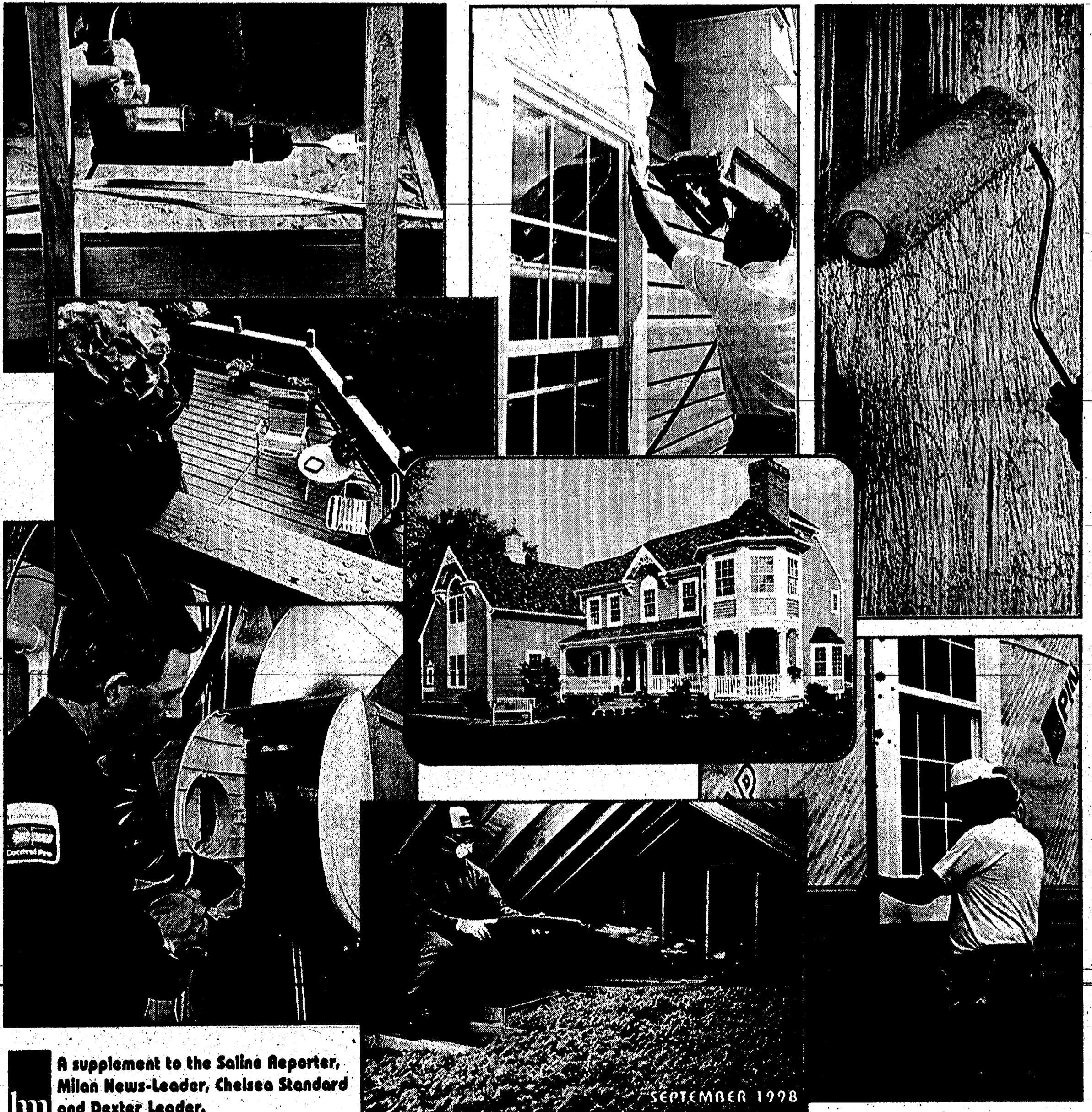
The rezoning of application, submitted by Magellan Properties (Hena Papp) was presented to the Board with the Washtenaw County Planning Commission recommendation to deny, the Sylvan Township Planning Commission recommendation to deny. Motion by Heller, seconded by Grau to deny rezoning of 75.55 acres of vacant land at the SE corner of I-94 and M-52. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Heller to adjourn.

LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk

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BY SHEILA PURSGLOVE
HERITAGE SPECIAL WRITER

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Wood floors were popular for over a thousand years, until the introduction of plywood subfloors and whole house carpeting in the early 1960s allowed builders to increase productivity and decrease housing costs.

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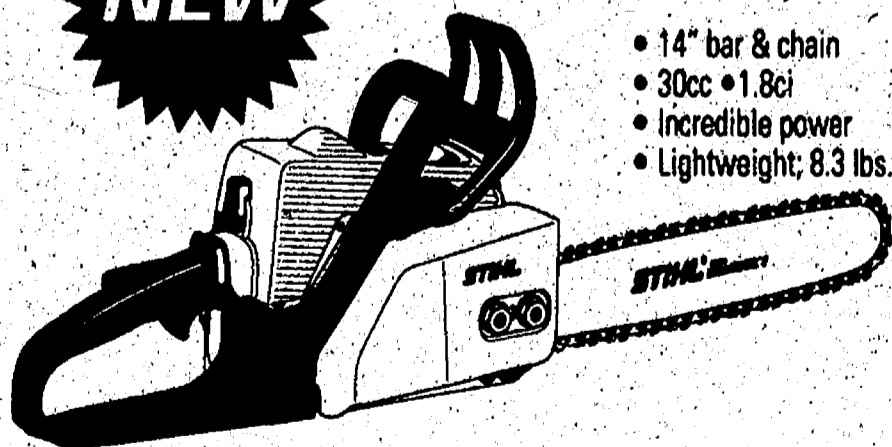
"Many of today's new homes may have complete hardwood flooring from top to bottom, with designer accent rugs, or may feature foyers, hallways and kitchen in hardwood flooring," says Smith. "The floors are easy to clean, warm to the touch, have a lifetime of durability, and give a unique, natural look found only in North American hardwood."

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Tips to keep dust from taking over

No matter how often you clean your home, it may seem as though dust accumulates on your furniture every time you turn around.

The average home collects nearly 40 pounds of dust in one year, which sneaks in through open windows and doors, dirty air filters and even leakage from worn vacuum cleaner bags. Airborne dirt, dust and oil can soil, stain or discolor your carpets and furniture, which may eventually need repair or replacement.

CONTROLLING the dust, dirt and oil in the air will make cleaning easier, preserve the condition of your belongings and make your home a healthier environment. Although it's impossible to get rid of airborne dust entirely, these tips will help you minimize its damaging effects on your home:

- Vacuum carpets regularly

Airborne dust often settles in and is absorbed by carpet fibers. Vacuum at least once a week to avoid soiling—more often in high traffic areas. Change the vacuum cleaner bag on a regular basis to prevent more airborne dust from filtering back into the air. Carpets also should be professionally cleaned at least once a year to remove any soil build-up in the fibers that a vacuum cleaner cannot reach.

- Change air filters

Almost all forced-air heating and cooling systems have filters that need

to be replaced at least once a year. This cuts down on airborne dust and can cut your utility bill by five to 15 percent. Also be sure to keep the vents clean and in operating condition.

- Install a humidifier or dehumidifier

In colder, dryer climates, humidifiers add moisture to the air, which helps keep furniture joints from drying out, prevents static and keeps your throat from getting too dry. In climates where humidity is a problem, dehumidifiers help minimize moisture in the air and prevent the formation of mildew and musty smells.

- Insulate and seal your home

Insulating your home saves energy and cleaning time. Poorly insulated and sealed homes have a lot of air migration, causing rapid soiling of the walls and ceilings. Weatherstripping and caulking the doors and windows cuts down the amount of dust and dirt that gets through the cracks.

- Use treated dust mops and cloths

Most brooms and feather dusters just stir dirt around. A dust mop and cloth sprayed with a dust treatment, such as a spray-on furniture polish, is the most effective way to clean hard surfaces.

Facts about flowers add to today's beauty

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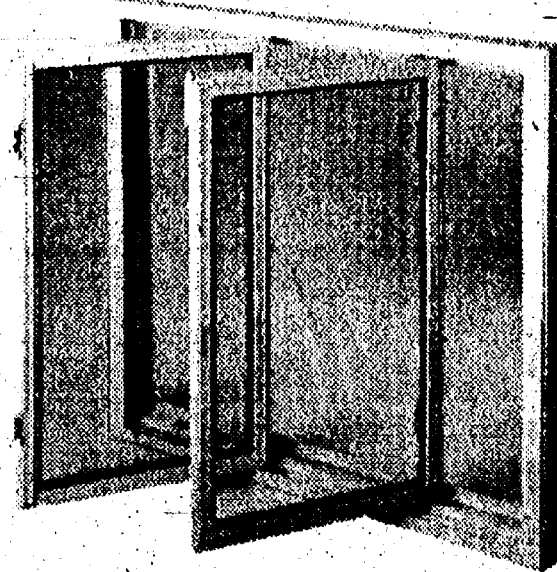
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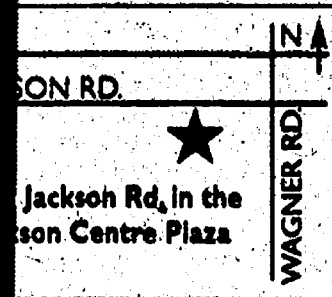
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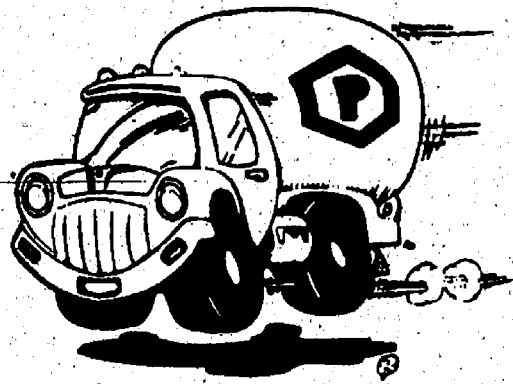
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Back in the olden days—about three years ago—looking for a house plan was time-consuming. It often took hours of paging through many books.

Now, finding your dream house may only take minutes, with the right software.

Home plan software, such as AbbiSoft's Home-Plan Finder CD-ROM, lets prospective homeowners search for specifics such as the number of bedrooms, size of the home, room location, features, architecture, and lot size. After entering preferences, the software searches thousands of house plans and quickly finds each plan that suits these specific needs. Plans for your dream home may be viewed on the computer screen or printed.

The software can also magnify plans and reverse plans (to show mirror reversals of plans).

The software is simple to use—it's almost like using a book but much faster. The software contains more than 2300 plans from 12 leading design firms.

Homes range in size from 500 square feet up to 6,700 square feet, including one-story, two-story, three-story and multi-level plans. Also featured are 200 multi-family homes.

You can tell the software what you "must have" and what you "want to have," prioritizing wants on a scale on one to nine. The software

finds all plans which satisfy your requirements and then sorts the plans based on your priorities. Because of this, your favorite home could be one of the first homes you see.

The idea for this software was conceived by Ken Katuin while he was building a house. Katuin bought over 80 books and spent countless hours looking for a plan. After he wasn't able to find the right plan, he spent over 2,000 hours designing his own dream home plan.

Katuin never lived in his dream house. He sold the house to finance the development of his CD-ROM, which is receiving rave reviews.

Builder Magazine said the software "has a clean, self-explanatory interface." The Chicago Tribune said the software is suitable for "hard decision making." The Philadelphia Inquirer said, "AbbiSoft says it can find your dream home in three minutes. It took this technologically challenged reporter nine minutes."

According to Paul Foresman, director of marketing at Design Basics, the company decided to present their plans on AbbiSoft's CD-ROM, because of its "superior search capabilities, excellent screen resolution, detailed printouts and ease-of-use. It is an excellent product."

The software also includes helpful tips on how to shop for a home.



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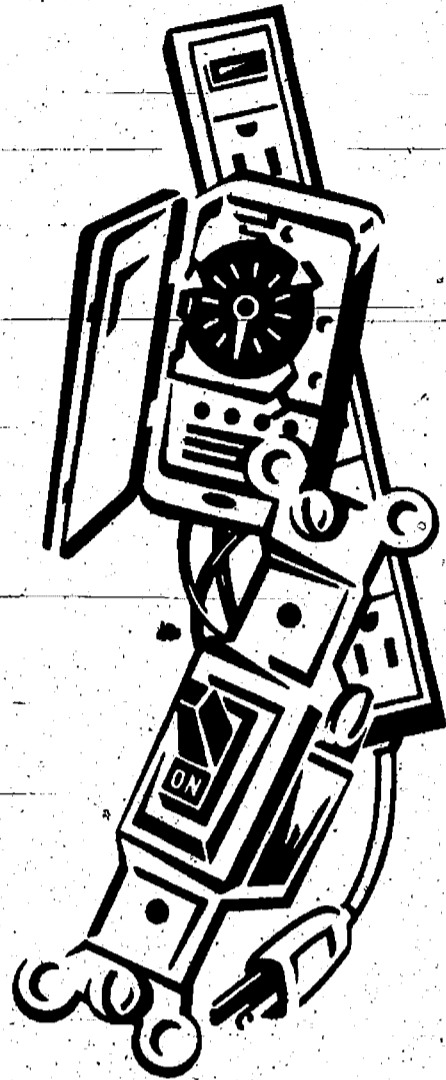
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Inside the house:

- * Plugs that are not secure on a cord should be replaced immediately; plug plates, switch plates, and fixture covers should be firmly in place.
- * Grounded (GFCI) plugs are mandatory for bathrooms, within six feet of a kitchen sink, and for garages and basements.
- * Panel covers are required for panel boxes. Circuits should be labeled clearly, and all fuses should match wire size.
- * Check the electrical panel for hot spots; if any are found, have them fixed immediately by a reputable contractor.
- * Make sure extension cords are the proper size for load, and only use them for temporary purposes. Do not use them as a permanent power supply, or for an extended period, and keep all extension cords away from water. Extension cords used for power tools should be plugged into a grounded outlet.
- * Do not hang anything on exposed wires; do not store items or walk on exposed wires.
- * Do not store flammable materials next to lights.
- * Check and clean smoke detectors monthly. If you do not have smoke detectors, it is recommended that you purchase and install them immediately, according to local building codes.
- * Any and all bare wires should be replaced immediately.

Outside the house:

- * Check your meter's service cable; make sure there are no holes in the outer cover from weather wear or physical damage. Make sure the service cable is sealed properly where it enters the house; look for and correct water damage and leaks; water in either the service box or panel can cause corrosion, destroy fuses, and/or create outages.



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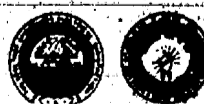
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A Fall checklist before temps drop

As the summer season becomes a memory, it's time to start preparing your home -- inside and out -- for the cooler temperatures approaching.

A few simple steps now can save homeowners money when the thermometer starts to plummet and reduce labor when spring arrives.

Flower beds and vegetable gardens. Mulch newly planted perennial beds to protect plants from being heaved out of the soil during alternating periods of freeze and thaw.

SHRUBS. Prune back overgrown, deciduous hedging shrubs to ensure new growth on stems previously too shaded. However, early spring flowering shrubs (e.g. Forsythia) should be pruned right after blooming is over. Don't prune evergreens late in the season.

TREES. Prune suckers, water shoots, dead branches and those that may rub against the house or each other. If they're too high, an extendable pole pruner may add the extra feet you need to do the job. Use the lopper part of the tool to snip smaller branches and the limb saw to cut larger stems.

LAWNS. Mow grass as long as it continues to grow. As the weather cools, begin to cut to a shorter height. In snow areas, grass longer than 10 inches can mat under snow cover, making it more susceptible to damage. Fertilize early- to mid-fall with fall formulated brands. Seed bare spots.

TOOLS. Clean and wash all dirt and vegetation off garden hand and power equipment, including the lawnmower. Now is a good time to change oil and spark plugs and have blades sharpened on gas-powered machines.

HOSES. If you see freezing winter temperatures, disconnect hoses from faucets and drains and store indoors.

GUTTERS. Remove debris that can clog gutters and downspouts, causing water to spill over or pool. This may cause ice dams that can back up under shingles, resulting in interior leaks.

Exterior doors and windows. Caulk to prevent penetration of cold air by moisture or insects. Paint to protect any bare wood spots from moisture and sun damage.

LEAK PATHS. Inspect areas surrounding pipes, dryer vents, window and door frames and other areas outside your home through which cold air can infiltrate and seal any leaks with caulking.



FURNACE. Change the air filter now and monthly throughout the winter to protect the motor and enable your furnace to run more efficiently and cleanly.

THERMOSTAT. Consider the use of programmable thermostats and clocks on hot water heaters to help conserve energy by automatically adjusting temperatures while you are at work or asleep.

INSULATION. Insulate attics, hot water pipes and wrap hot water heaters to keep heat in and cold out.

Potted plants. Plants bring a little of the outdoors in during cold months, but they do need more than just occasional watering. Repot plants when fresh root tips are showing all over the surface of the root ball. Place plants in a larger pot and use a high quality top soil such as Ace Premium Potting Soil.

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Sunrooms can lighten your mood year-round

Don't just weatherproof your home this fall, weatherproof your mood! Fresh paint and window caulk are great for protecting your house, but they don't do anything to protect your family from the winter blahs.

People often feel sluggish in the wintertime because they spend less time out-of-doors, which severely limits their exposure to sunlight. While taking the troops to the beach for a few weeks each winter might be ideal, it's not practical. But here is an idea that is: consider adding a sunroom to your home. The entire family will reap the benefits of increased light and it's always there when you need it (without the packing).

NOTHING can create a cheery mood like a sunny day - right inside your home. Sunrooms fill the house with light and connect it to its earthly surroundings. The Europeans have coined these glass-walled rooms wintergardens, because they offer a refuge of spring and summer cheer year round, even in the dead of winter.

A wintergarden, more commonly called a sunroom or a Florida room in the United States, is a glass enclosed room that creates a sunny haven in which to relax, revitalize and enjoy nature even when cooler temperatures keep you inside for extended periods of time.

Scientific studies have shown that natural sunlight can actually help put you in a good mood, improve your health, and boost your energy level by 24 percent more than artificial light, according to Men's Health and Current Health magazines.

An economical way to create a sunroom is by enclosing an existing porch, an open carport, or a patio overhang with rolling glass doors and windows, reports Patio Enclosures, Inc., the nation's largest manufacturer and installer of sunrooms. Sunrooms can also be built on an existing deck or concrete pad.

ANOTHER application is to construct a sunroom on the outside wall of your home with a solid insulated foam roof. As an option, glass roof panels can be integrated into the roof systems. This will allow light to come into your home and provide a more open feeling in your sunroom. The most dramatic, but most expensive option, is the all glass solarium with either a curved or straight cave roof.

When looking for a year-round room, Patio Enclosures, Inc. advises homeowners to specify the best in insulated glass. The ComfortView room by Patio Enclosures, Inc. has been specifically engineered to provide maximum energy efficiency and comfort as the season's change. The one-inch, dual sealed insulated glass with all thermally broken components gives optimum performance during those long winter months.

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Take the 'edge' off your mirror

It's nearly impossible to eliminate black edge on mirrors over time, but the following suggestions will help:

- * Make sure your glass company seals the edges of your new mirror
- * Make sure your bathroom is well ventilated to eliminate humidity; moisture is a mirror's mortal enemy
- * Use non-ammonia cleaners like Window-Glo. Mirror manufacturers recommend water as a cleaner; some chemicals damage the backing.
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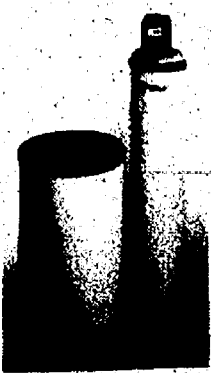
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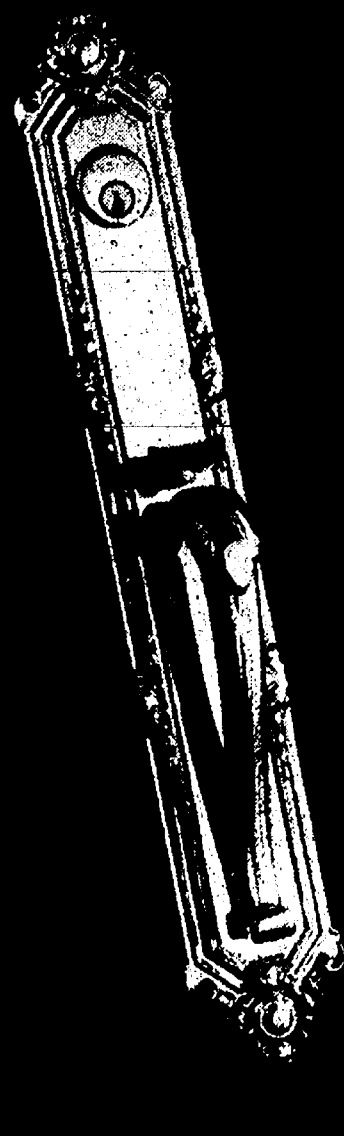
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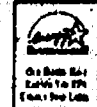
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Offering a specialized "one-call" service, The HomeTeam sends a team of inspectors - each with expertise in different areas of home construction or mechanical systems - to each house, said owner Bob Davis. The inspection is then completed in about half the time of individual inspections.

"We make the inspections process easier for everyone involved," said Davis.

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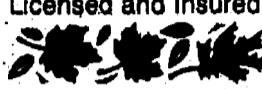
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1. To keep your flowers looking better and lasting longer, display cut flowers in a vase, and make sure none of the leaves are covered with water. Leaves decay in water, drastically decreasing the vase life of your flowers.

2. Not sure how much sunlight hits a particular section of your garden? Plant hydrangea. It thrives in bright, moderate and very little light.

3. Aloe everybody. Keep an aloe plant in the kitchen. It's juice offers quick relief from cooking burns. Aloe plants like water, so make sure the soil is moist, but don't mist the leaves or you will kill the plant.

4. Maximize your pleasure from gladiola. To assure a full and spectacular display, make sure that at least one flower on each stem is open when you buy them.

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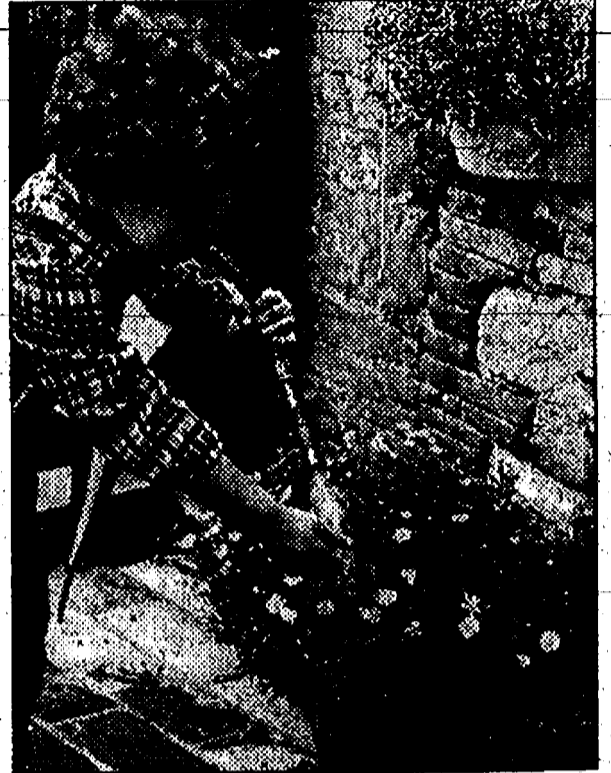
6. Gorgeous Gerberas. Once called African Daisies, gerberas have become even more popular now that you can choose both size and color. Gerberas now come in standard, huge, mini and micro-mini sizes.

7. Decorating a buffet with flowers? Keep the flowers away from fruit. Fruit gives off ethylene gas which accelerates the aging process of flowers.

8. They may be beautiful, but with dramatic pink, white and blue flowers, cyclamen are beautiful plants. However, they can cause illness if accidentally eaten. Be sure to keep them away from children and pets.

9. No time for watering? Try this dramatic decorative poster instead. Picturing more than 600 indoor plants, this five-foot by three-foot poster cost \$20 and is available through Public Relations Marketing at the address indicated above (Tip 5).

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11. When the water in a vase starts getting low, don't dump it and start all over. Flowers are happier when you just top off the existing water by adding some that is fresh.

12. Daffodils make a house look homey, but be careful. They secrete a poison into the water that can be deadly to any other flowers you put in the vase.

13. The most important thing you can do to make your flowers last is use a vase that is clean and freshly washed.

14. First things first. When you bring flowers home, cut the stems at an angle and place them in fresh water for a nice long drink before removing their wrapping.

15. Iris item. When buying Iris, make sure that they are showing color on the buds or they may never open.

16. Speak to your plants? Whether or not this really improves their health, one thing is certain; if you don't give your plants proper nutrients and sunlight, nothing you say to them will help grow.

17. Just like humans, flowers rest more comfortably at night when it's cool. Try a lower thermostat setting in the evening and watch your flowers perk up in the morning.

18. Gardenias are a hearty variety whose white flowers set off the decor in any living room. Remember these flowers require light, but avoid putting them in the sunny part of the room.

19. Want to eat lunch in your backyard, but can't stand the bugs? Try decorating the area around your table with pretty Rose Geranium or Lemon Geranium plants, which are effective at keeping many small bugs away.

20. If you want to encourage continuous blooming of the plants in your garden, remove the flower head after it finishes its bloom.

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Today's customer can visit state of the art showrooms to view the myriad of options available in all price ranges for shower doors, mirrors, glass, and custom etched products.

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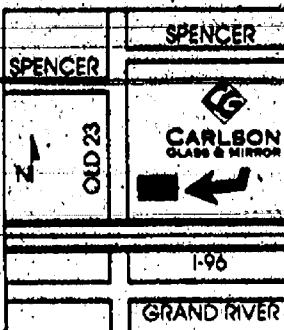


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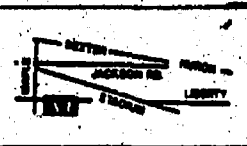
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All paint is not created equal

So you've decided to take on the most challenging of all home improvement projects: painting your house's exterior.

What you'll find is that the most challenging part of the job may not be dangling from a 25-foot ladder or scraping away of years of peeled paint, but rather selecting what kind of paint to use.

Fortunately, one aspect of the paint-selection process has just been simplified with the introduction of regional, climate-specific paint from Dutch Boy.

"If you live in Miami you need a paint that protects against harsh UV rays and humidity, not freezing temperatures. But those in Kansas do care about wide temperature swings and the seasonal weather extremes," said Tom Rapps, brand manager for Dutch Boy Paints. "Of course you want beautiful color, but you also want a paint that won't crack or warp."

Sensing the need for a paint that combats the varying -- and extreme -- weather conditions that batter homes throughout the country, Dutch Boy launched Climate Guard, an exterior paint that is actually five different paints, each one specially formulated for specific regions of the country.

"Unlike traditional 'all weather' paints that claim to be all things to all people, Climate Guard is formulated to address the particular weather-related problems of a certain area," says Rapps. "What works against the blistering sun in one place may not be the best defense against daily downpours somewhere else."

The fact is, you need a paint that not only adds value to your house and makes your neighbors green with envy, but addresses the specific weather conditions faced by your home's exterior.

In the past, homes in soggy Seattle were getting the same protection as those in sun-baked Phoenix and those along the muggy Carolina coast. It became obvious that American homeowners needed more choices in selecting paint than just between hues and shades of color.

Developed with the help of meteorologists, Climate Guard protects against the harsh climates in the country's five geographical regions: Northwest, Northeast, Southeast, Sun Belt and Heartland.

Climate Guard Northwest resists blistering and peeling caused by heavy rainfall; the Northeast version provides a mildew-resistant coating and won't crack or peel under wide temperature swings; the Southeast contains mildewcides and algacides to battle periods of extremely high humidity;



the Sunbelt is formulated to withstand damaging UV rays; and the Heartland is made to prevent cracking and peeling when houses expand and contract as the mercury rises and falls.

If the process of choosing a climate-specific paint has been simplified, the same cannot be said for color selection.

Choosing what color to paint your exterior is not as simple as black and white, as homeowners are faced with a full spectrum of questions.

Do you want a conservative facade or one that shows your true inner psyche? Do you want dark colors that make your house look larger, or light colors that make it seem smaller? How will it mesh with your lawn and neighboring trees? And how will it look compared with the rest of the houses on the street?

"As you begin a house-painting project, think first about the colors that make you feel comfortable and fit in nicely with your surrounding environment," says Rapps.

Ask yourself if you prefer cool, restful sea colors, warm earth tones, energetic hues or restrained neutrals. And no matter which you choose, you can always accent them with totally different trim colors to make your house stand out or sit back.

"You'll probably want to emphasize features such as the front entry and windows with contrasting colors. Using several hues -- one for the door and shutters, another for window and door frames -- personalizes your exterior," Rapps says.

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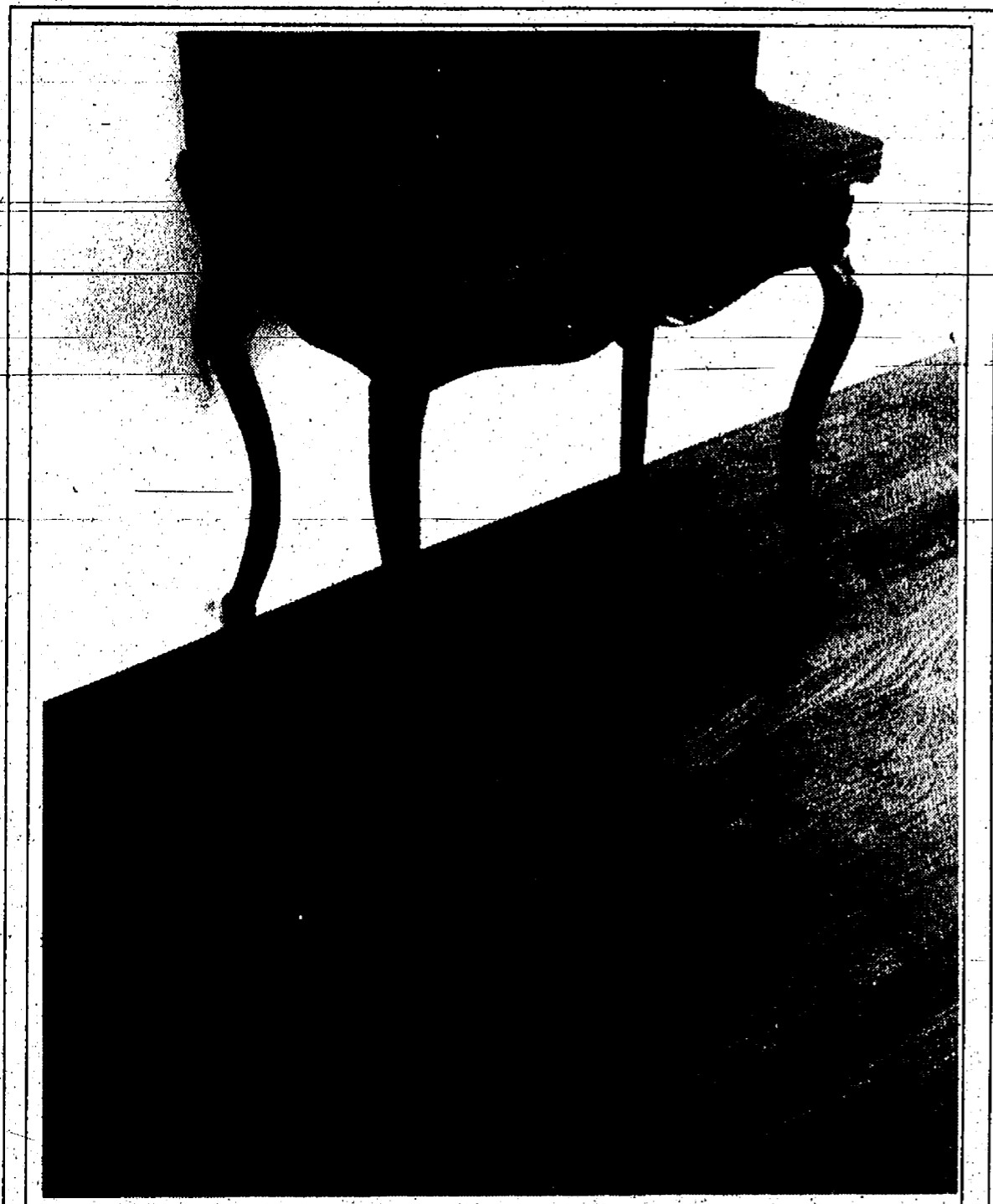
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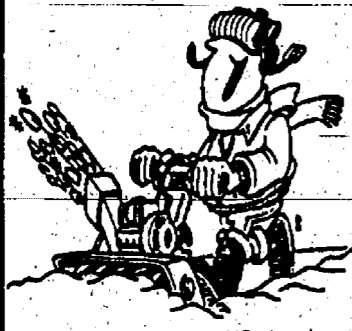
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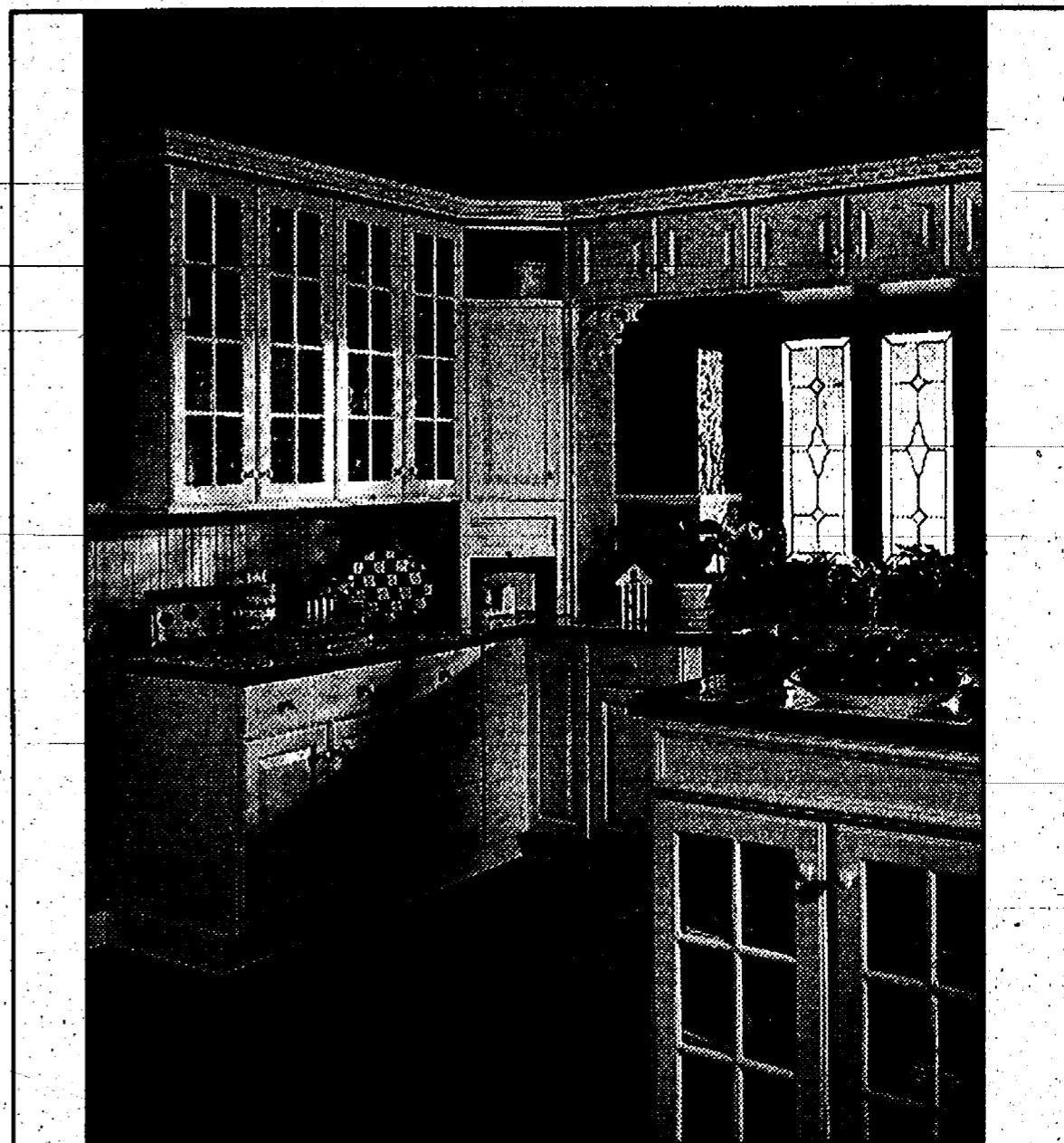
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"Right now, we can supply our contractors with major brands in appliances as well as cabinets for the kitchen and bath," Little says.

MAJOR name brand appliances that are offered to contractors and builders include Jenn Air, KitchenAid, Magic Chef, Whirlpool, and Maytag.

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the U.S. as well as Homecrest and Yorktowne.

Little, who started the business nine years ago, credits his employees for the success he has had.

"There are two other people who work here and they do a great job," he says. "You know, nothing really sets one business apart from the other in terms of philosophy. What does set a business apart is the service. You can't serve customers without the right people. Every one here is great, fair and honest."

CABINET Source/Wholesale Builders Supply is located at 2121 W. Stadium next to Kid Kingdom in the former location of the Secretary of State office. For more information on the cabinet lines available, call (734) 996-0688.

Look for more Fall Home Improvement stories in the September 21st and 28th issues of The Washtenaw-Lenawee Scene.

Stainless steel gains in kitchen popularity

Americans will spend big money on redecorating and remodeling their homes this year, so says just about everyone looking into consumer purchasing. According to the American Express Retail Index, 19 percent of US homeowners are undertaking home projects in 1998, up 8 percent from last year. The Home Improvement Research Institute projects that \$106 billion will be spent this year. And, according to the NARI Homeowner Remodeling Hotline, the kitchen is where the majority of money will be spent.

THAT WAS all good news at the Kitchen and Bath Industry show held in April, where appliance manufacturers show their latest and greatest and even test reaction to prototypes. What will consumers be spending money on in the months ahead? One trend seen at the K/BIS, as it's known to insiders, is anything and everything in stainless steel.

Bosch was the first to offer an all stainless dishwasher -- inside and out -- when it entered the US market in 1991. "The commercial look for home kitchens was just starting," says Michael Rockstroh, vice president of Marketing at Bosch, "It's a hot trend now and just keeps getting hotter." John Buscarello, a New York, certified kitchen designer (CKD) notes, "Stainless is now popular for everybody, we're seeing it permeate the market from the high-end all the way through."

Stainless has become the new

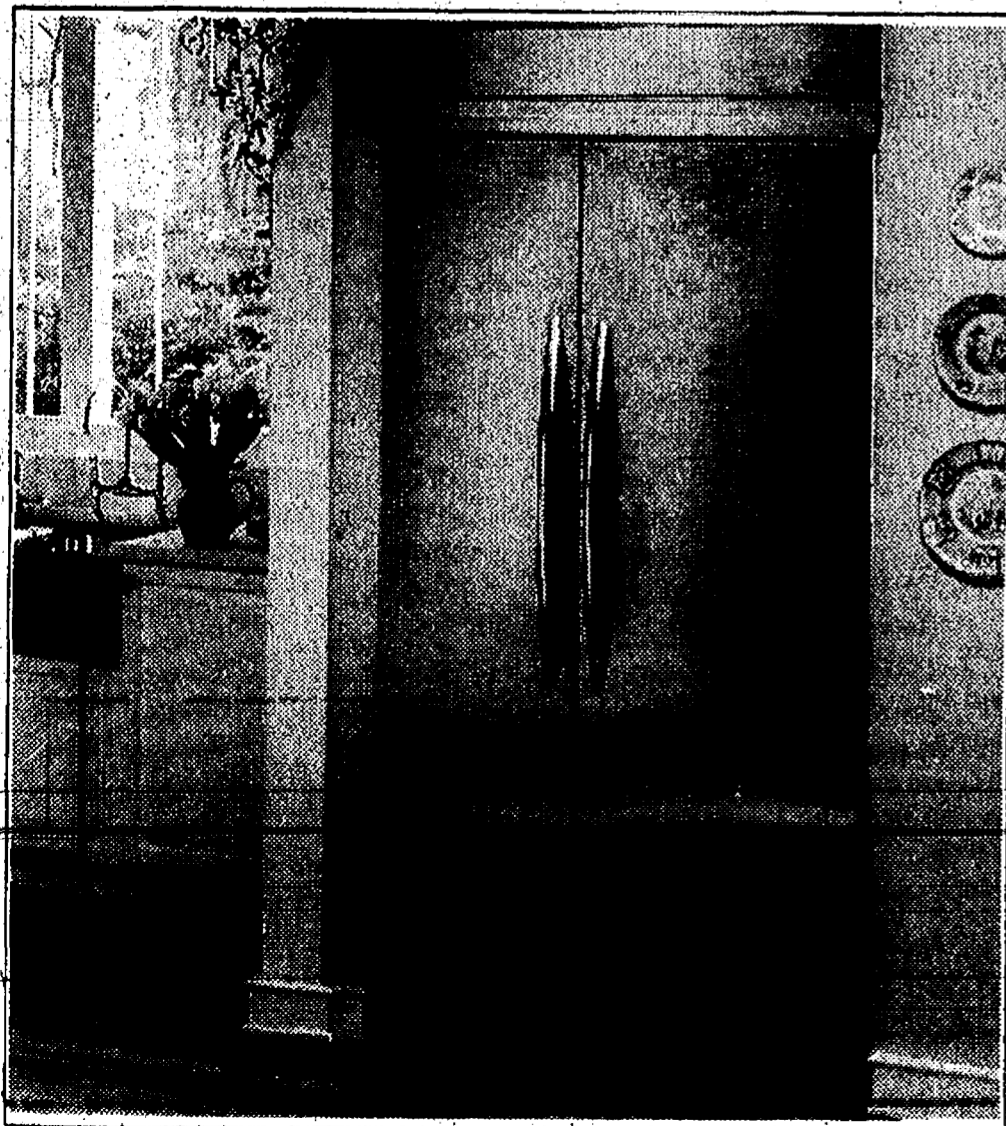
neutral for the kitchen from coast to coast. And, culinary skills notwithstanding, it's a look that seems to suit both form and function. "It fits in with many styles and gives the commercial look that people want," notes Gay Fly, a CKD in Houston, Texas.

Gail Green, a designer from New York, who showed one of the first all-stainless kitchens at the celebrated Kips Bay Decorator Showhouse back in 1993, believes that "stainless steel creates great contrast between warm and cold in a kitchen and it's very 21st century." The trend then will surely continue.

THE DISAPPEARING kitchen is also gaining momentum. Joining Sub-Zero's drawer refrigerators is Bosch's fully-integrated dishwasher which also can be "hidden" into the kitchen decor with a custom cabinet front. The controls are along the top of the door and once closed, the super quiet machine disappears. Bosch also introduced a stainless steel panel to sheath the door from top to bottom for those opting to follow the stainless trend and still hide the controls.

AS MORE MONEY is being spent on home improvement, other trends are emerging. A double dose of dishwashers per kitchen is one that is increasingly common as American houses get bigger. Country Living's display kitchen at the Kitchen and Bath Industry show featured two Bosch stainless dishwashers flanking the sink.

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Stainless steel kitchen appliances are becoming the trend.

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Air-tight windows add to home's value

Most homes today are designed and built, or remodeled, with an eye toward the structure's aesthetic value, which ultimately means designers are incorporating more attention-getting specialty windows into their plans.

But while savvy home buyers and remodelers want their homes to be original and beautiful, they also demand the greatest energy efficiency available. That means the home's windows should offer the most advanced window technology on the market today.

THE TECHNOLOGY used to create energy-efficient windows has come a long way over the last 20 years. Insulating glass now is used in more than 90 percent of North American windows. The industry has moved away from single-pane windows, and even the sun-belt region, one of the last regions to make the move to double-pane, has come to recognize the solar control and energy savings double-glazed units provide.

Other improvements over the years include a spacer system between panes of glass or "warm-edge technology," which now makes up more than 70 percent of the window market in North America. One of the most widely used warm-edge systems is Swiggle Seal, developed and manufactured since 1979 by TruSeal Technologies Inc., headquartered in Beachwood, Ohio.

But for those looking for a window system with the greatest energy efficiency, very little new technology has emerged to improve upon the existing advancements in window construction.

There is, however, a practical solution.

"BECAUSE ONE of the single, largest impacts on thermal efficiency was the move from single- to double-pane windows, the next logical improvement is a move to triple-pane windows," said Ric Jackson, director of Marketing for TruSeal Technologies.

For that reason, TruSeal Technologies developed the Grooved (notched) Swiggle Seal warm-edge spacer, which was specifically designed for triple-pane construction. According to Jackson, using the Grooved Swiggle Seal warm edge spacer in a triple-pane system can significantly improve the thermal performance of a window with minimal increase in the window unit's thickness.

"THIS IS ESPECIALLY important for decorative windows, which are incorporated more often into today's new homes as well as into remodeling plans," Jackson said. "In fact, Grooved

Swiggle Seal originally was designed to maximize the performance of these types of windows. And with our latest technology, Grooved Swiggle can be applied to standard windows as well."

Windows made with Grooved Swiggle for triple-panes not only enhance the home's energy efficiency, they increase its resale value as well, he added.

When taking a closer look at window construction, it becomes clear that without the addition of a third pane of glass, it would be difficult to improve a window's thermal performance through its five basic components.

With a 45 percent market share, PVC is now the leading sash and frame material used in the North American window industry. It is the choice of high thermal performance window manufacturers because of its low thermal conductivity. The thermal performance of wood remains high while materials such as aluminum and fiberglass offer less thermal improvement.

With the market now 30 to 40 percent Low-E glass, a window's glass consists of either hard or soft coatings. With the industry already into its second generation of soft coatings, significant improvements in its thermal performance will be difficult to obtain.

The common dimensions in today's Insulating Glass (IG) windows stand at 9/16" to 5/8" with an overall thickness of 3/4" to 1". These dimensions already represent the most significant positive impact on the window's thermal performance. Windows with a thickness larger than those dimensions cause thermal performance to decline.

Air is the main component of the IG window's cavity, but thermal performance can be improved in Low-E glass windows when the cavity is filled with argon or other heavy gases such as krypton.

These spacer materials reduce heat flow through the perimeter of the window and reduce condensation, improving the thermal performance of the window.

Advantages of Triple-Pane Windows

Triple-pane windows can boost the advantages already provided by each of the individual components outlined above. Triple glazing doubles the Low-E surface; it uses current standard window dimensions; it provides the added advantage of two hermetically-sealed air spaces; and offers the capability of filling both cavities with gas.

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Company sets 'Standard' in bathroom fixtures

There's no delicate way to say this. The next time you head to the restroom, take a quick glance. . . ah. . . down, or behind you - as the case may be. What do you see?

With more than 300 million residential and commercial bathrooms nationwide, seven times out of 10, the word you're most likely to encounter in that oh-so private place is "American Standard," the well-known brand name of the world's largest plumbing products manufacturer.

WHILE MANY Americans nervously giggle whenever the topic of toilets and other bathroom fixtures surfaces among friends, families or co-workers, many would shudder at the thought of not having such conveniences. In fact, less than a hundred years ago, most Americans went without many bathroom conveniences. According to the "Reeve's Journal of Plumbing, Heating and Cooling," only five percent of the homes in America contained a bathtub in 1930.

American Standard was at the forefront of many of today's conveniences, notes Frank Vecchio, a coordinator with American Standard's Architectural and Engineering Service Group, who has worked for the company for more than 34 years.

"American Standard played a big part in not only making lives of Americans more convenient and sanitary," Vecchio says, "but for giving many people a reason to actually enjoy their bathrooms."

American Standard's roots reach back more than 130 years to 1860, when a small brass foundry was opened in Louisville, Ky., under the name of Ahrens & Ott Manufacturing Co. Over the next 60 years, a number of small companies, including American Radiator and Standard Sanitary, merged with Ahrens & Ott to eventually form American Standard. The "American Standard" brand name dates back to 1899, when the word "Standard" was stamped on plumbing fixtures and faucets made by Standard Sanitary.

As America grew, so grew its appetite for household conveniences, including more luxurious, yet dependable, bathroom fixtures. American Standard fed that hunger and in the process became a household name. Today, the company is a leading global, multifaceted enterprise with 108 manufacturing facilities in 35 countries, 1997 sales of more than \$7 billion and employment in excess of 51,000.

LOOKING BACK through American Standard's archives, which date back to 1888, it's clear that

American Standard and its predecessors were instrumental in developing many innovative new features that have become standard in today's modern bathroom.

In the early years of the company's history, engineers focused their attention on the practical aspects of bathroom life, the most challenging of which was the disposing of toilet waste water - a problem that vexed societies for centuries. Coinciding with this challenge was the much broader and even more challenging aspects of installing modern sewer and water systems in towns and cities across the United States.

One of the earliest records of American Standard's innovative heritage dates back to 1895 when Thomas Maddock's Sons Co., a Trenton, N.J., manufacturer of sanitary pottery ware that was later acquired by American Standard, produced the first vitreous china lavatory. Vitreous china is a type of condensed china (pottery) that forms the basis for most toilets and bathroom sinks today. Thomas Maddock also is credited for being the first person to successfully marry a toilet with a flushing water supply line.

"Vitreous china was revolutionary," Vecchio says. "The key was the glazing process which made it impervious to bacteria and staining. It dramatically reduced health problems."

In the early 1920s, American Standard pioneered the combination fitting that for the first time allowed hot and cold water to mix together through one tap. Later, in 1928, American Standard introduced the first built-in bathtub with an integral apron. This development led to the replacement of many claw-foot bathtubs, which were smaller and more difficult to clean.

The company also was a pioneer in marketing color plumbing fixtures, which hadn't been available until the late 1920s. Before then, bathroom fixtures were available in white, white and white, according to Gail Casky Winkler, author of the 1989 book, "The Well-Appointed Bath." The efforts of American Standard and other bathroom fixture companies forever transformed the bathroom -- it actually could be a room that one could enjoy.

LIKE MOST American manufacturers, American Standard shifted its operations in support of the Allied war effort during World War II. Following the war, American Standard created a new breed of bathroom fixtures that met the demands of millions of new post-war homes.

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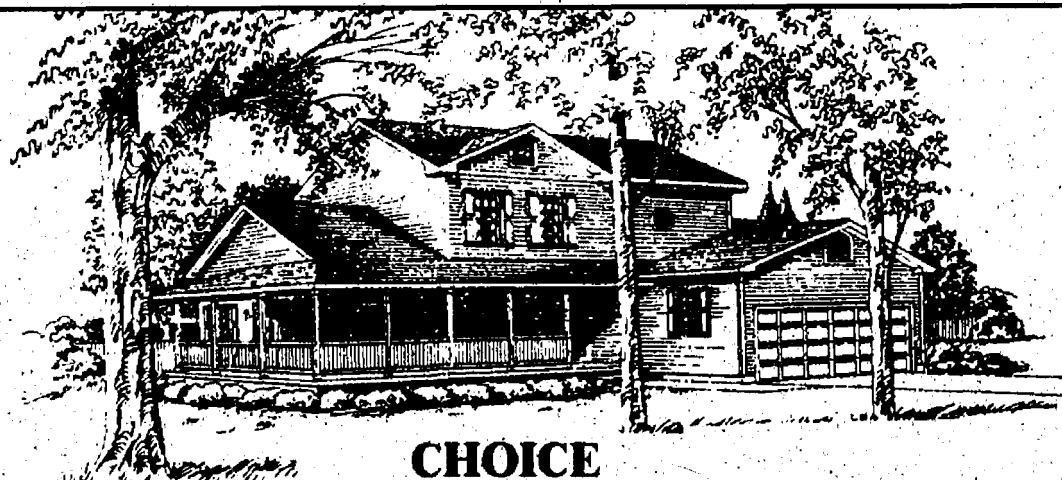
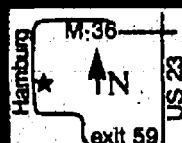
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"As people move further into the country, our new homes start to encroach into the territory of deer and rabbits, not to mention elk, moose, antelope and other grazing animals," says Amar Grewal, president of ASG Consultants, makers of a non-toxic, completely natural product that repels animals from landscape foliage. "Our goal has been to produce an effective and cost conscious animal repellent that will keep the animals from eating the landscape of the homeowner without hurting the animals."

THE PRODUCT, exported from British Columbia, Canada, keeps grazing animals away from trees, shrubs, flowers and other food sources typically found in a homeowner's yard.

"We recently started using Repellex and the results were almost immediate," says David White, president of Inland Environments of Hilton Head Island, S.C. "It's been reported in recent national news coverage that the deer situation on Hilton Head Island has reached epidemic proportions, and I can't agree more.

"Beautiful blooming plants and shrubs are planted one day, and they are gone the next. When we tried this product, reports began coming into our office almost immediately of deer actually taking a few sniffs, turning up their noses and walking away," White said with a smile.

ACCORDING TO Grewal, it is important to use any animal repellent before the problem starts to get out of hand. He recommends applying liquid animal repellents when it is calm and there isn't a chance of rain for the next few days. This gives the product a chance to dry and set on the plants. Don't use repellents on vegetables or fruit that is intended for human consumption. If you spray an apple tree or a vegetable garden, the deer won't eat your fruits of labor, but you won't either.

Always wear gloves when applying repellents, and don't spray when it is windy. Even non-toxic repellents will leave a foul taste in your mouth if they come into contact with your skin. Don't touch your lips with your gloves, either.



It is important to note that repellents won't stop deer from rubbing their antlers on the trees to remove their velvet in the fall, although the odor may be strong enough to prompt the animals to choose another rubbing post. Grewal adds that because Repellex is effective on evergreens as well as deciduous trees, it will slow or stop the damage incurred by porcupines, too.

In addition to trees and shrubs, finding an effective animal repellent for flowers can be tough. Sweet flowers in the spring can be a treat for browsing animals.

Latex-based Repellex will last up to four months. One quart provides a gallon of repellent spray when mixed, which will cover about 100 four to five foot trees. The tablets last about the same amount of time, and are used at a ratio of three to one tree.

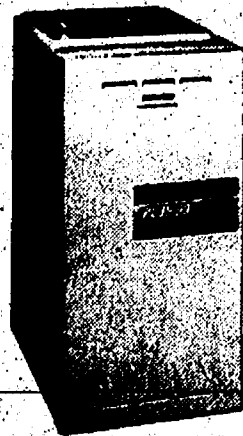
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While you may have moved into deer and rabbit territory and probably enjoy seeing them around, your yard doesn't have to serve as their dinner table any longer.

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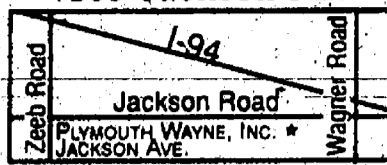
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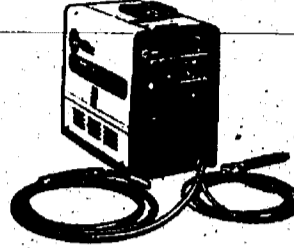


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