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NEWS BRIEFS

Three more days left for Chelsea Fair fun

The Chelsea Community Fair continues today and runs through Saturday. Today's featured event is "Bullmania" by Super Kicker Rodeo Productions. The event begins at 6:30 p.m.

Also on the bill tonight is the livestock auction at 7 p.m. in the covered arena.

Tomorrow morning is a big day for mothers and daughters with Ladies Day in the covered arena from 8 a.m. to noon.

Friday night will highlight the tractor-pulling contest in the main arena at 7:30 p.m.

Embodying the spirit of the four-day event is the Chelsea Fair Parade, which begins on Saturday at 1 p.m.

More horsepower will be featured in the main arena at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday night with a 4-wheel and 2-wheel drive pulling contest.

Passes are still available for \$15. High school students with a student I.D. may purchase one for \$10. Daily admission is \$5. Admission is free for children 12 and under.

Local youth help with Leader Dog training

The Chelsea Leo Club, a newly formed affiliate of the Lions Club for young adults, assisted Leader Dog trainers during their visit to Chelsea last week. The Leos watched the pups while the trainers toured the Jiffy Mix facilities.

The trainers were in Chelsea to give the young Leader Dogs experience in public places and to accustom them to public interaction. After lunch at the Common Grill, the Leos were given basic training in dog handling and were put in charge of the pups for the afternoon.

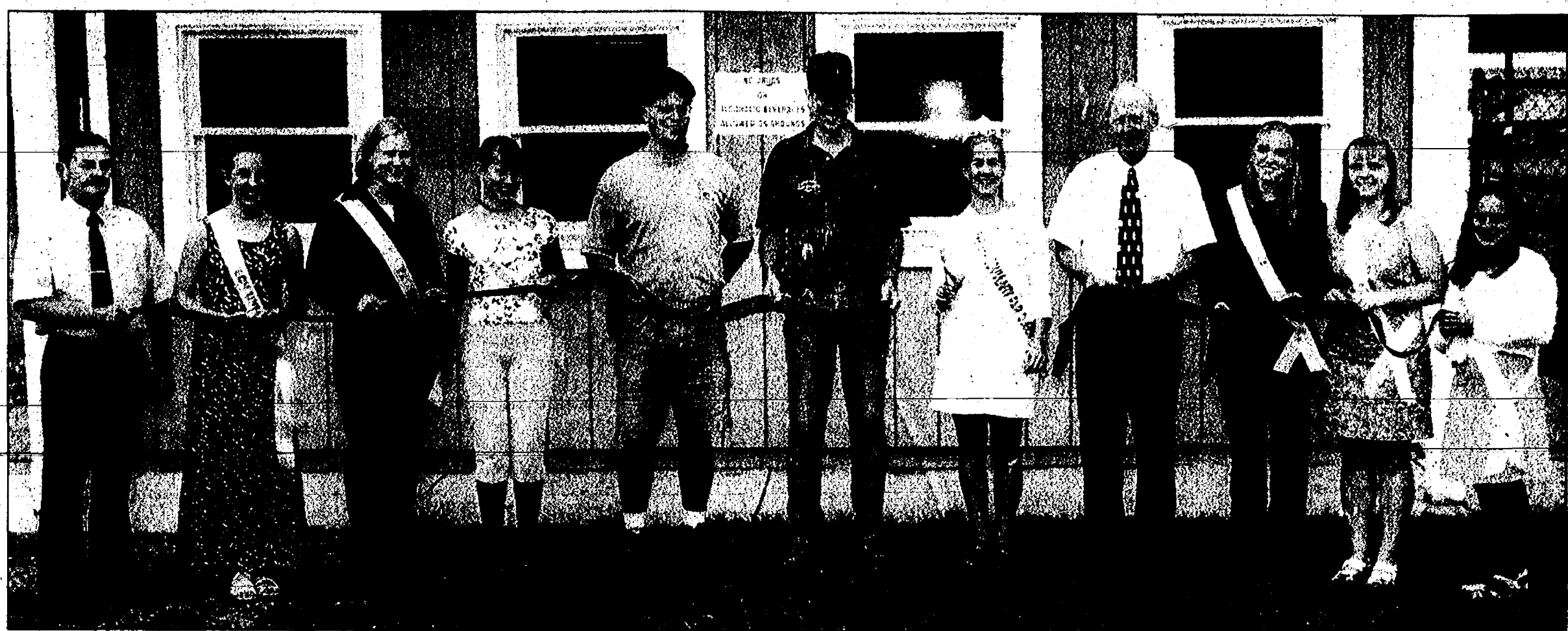
Participating in the activity were Danae Seward, Neil Sterling, Diana Ladlo, Natasha Rosenstrater, Brandy Mock, Rachel Common, Chelsea Kummer, Nick Miller, Tony Reifel, Adam Ellis and Joel Hohnke.

Youths age 12 and older who are interested in joining the Leos should contact Arnold Stieber at (734)-475-0740. For Leader Dog information call (810)-732-6687.

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Ribbon Cutting



A ceremonial ribbon cutting kicked off the 1999 Chelsea Community Fair Monday evening as Fair Queen candidates, local dignitaries and fair administrators joined together to welcome the public to the 62nd. edition of the hallmark local event. Pictured from left to right are Village President Richard Steele, queen candidates Sarah Maynard, Molly Edmond, and Amy Mattocks, Fair Board Assistant Manager/Executive Vice President Ron Stoffer, Fair Board President Ken McCalla, queen candidate Katy Parker, Village Manager Jack Myers and queen candidates Melody Whitaker, Tara Koch and Deanna Fulton.

Fun, festivities await fair-goers

Fair Queen contest set for Saturday

By Dirk Fischbach
Editor

If you're looking for fun, excitement, and a touch of pageantry, the Chelsea Community Fair, which opened Tuesday, has plenty to offer. Traditional favorites like the demolition derby, thrill rides and a midway offering games of skill are sure to delight, as are updates such as the new roof on the merchants' barn.

"It's a good value for \$5," says Fair Board President Ken McCalla, noting the low admission price. "There's not a lot of things you can do for \$5 any more."

McCalla says that the key to the fair's ongoing success is a commitment to keep the festivities community-oriented. "We've got a good carnival company, and the facilities are clean and well-maintained."

While few changes are on tap, one break from years past that longtime fairgoers will want to note is that the Fair Queen Pageant has been moved from its usual Friday night slot to 7 p.m. Saturday, to avoid conflict with Chelsea's home football opener.

Also, this year's rodeo activities will be under the guidance of the Super-Kicker Rodeo Company and

will have a heavier emphasis on bull-riding and barrel-racing.

Ladies' Day, one of the fair highlights each year, is slated for Friday, with activities in the covered, multi-purpose arena running from 8 a.m. to noon. Ladies

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— Ken McCalla
Fair Board President

pay just \$3 for the morning of entertainment that includes music, a swing dancing demonstration and a fashion show.

Livestock judging, tractor pulls, a livestock auction and a display of draft horses will help the fair stay true to its farming roots, while performances by the



The Chelsea Fair Parade is an annual highlight. This year's parade is slated for 1 p.m. Saturday. Pictured is the Chelsea Children's Co-op float in last year's parade.

Chelsea House Orchestra and Saline's Fiddlers Philharmonic will appeal to visitors of all backgrounds. The fair runs through Saturday.

Board OKs final project numbers

By Dirk Fischbach
Editor

The fresh spirit of optimism accompanying the new school year permeated Monday's meeting of the Chelsea School District Board of Education as members celebrated the closing of the books on the district's \$50 million upgrade. The unanimous decision to approve final billing numbers marked the successful completion of the four-year capital improvement project.

The board also approved changes and additions to the district's teaching staff and programs after wading through state-mandated changes to suspension and expulsion policy during the lengthy, but fast-paced meeting.

The unanimous decision to approve the final billing numbers involved two action items and saw the district bring to a zero balance accounts with architects Kingscott Associates

Inc. of Kalamazoo and construction managers Granger Construction Company of Lansing. The related motions call for \$102,361.56 in disbursements from the 1995 bond issue monies to close out the three-way agreement between the schools, Kingscott, and Granger, and \$350,000 from the district's "sinking fund" for construction recently completed at the Washington Street Education Center, Beach Middle School and Chelsea High School.

In addition to the approval of payments, the board also unanimously commended Granger and Kingscott for their outstanding performance throughout the project.

Unanimous votes also awaited three action items involving teaching staff.

In the first, Kim Eder was hired as a full-time mathematics teacher, filling the vacancy at Beach Middle School created by Tim Hinkle's unexpected departure. Eder holds degrees from

Ferris State and Eastern Michigan universities and student taught at Beach Middle School in 1994. She has been at Jackson Lumen Christi for the past five years.

Karen Wineland also will join the Beach Middle School faculty in a full-time capacity, teaching Spanish and French. Wineland was a substitute teacher of those subjects last year and is credited with helping increase interest and enrollment in the school's language program.

In the third motion, the board agreed to an innovative K-1 multi-age classroom program designed to keep classroom sizes down and student performance up. Under the program, the teacher would oversee a multi-age classroom at South Meadows Elementary School for students who could benefit from elements of both the kindergarten and first-grade curriculum.

The multi-age classroom also would be used for the placement

of new students, keeping class sizes for both kindergarten and first grade at or below the district goal of 20.

In a memorandum to Superintendent Edward Richardson, Assistant Superintendent Iva Corbett noted that South Meadows was an ideal setting for the pilot program because the school already utilizes the "Reading Neighborhood" concept, which matches students

based on skill level rather than age.

The bulk of Monday's meeting was spent reading and fine-tuning student policy initiatives, many of which were prompted by the state Legislature's recent mandates aimed at reducing school violence.

While Richardson noted that in many cases the state laws required "virtually no change

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Meeting locations change

The Chelsea School District Board of Education on Monday voted to take its show on the road. In the 1999-2000 school year, the board will move its meetings from the Washington Street administrative building to sites throughout the district on a rotating basis.

The meeting schedule will be: Monday, Oct. 11 - Beach Middle School; Monday, Nov.

22 - High School Media Center; Monday, Feb. 14 - South Meadows Elementary; Monday, March 13 - Pierce Lake Elementary; Monday, April 24 - North Creek Elementary. The meetings will have an informal start at 6:30 p.m., allowing board members to meet the staff at each school before opening the formal session at 7:30 p.m.

Tara Thorburn finds niche teaching special education students

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Village Planning Commission considers new zoning class

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Chelsea residents to help Bush in presidential bid

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SCHOOL

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for Chelsea schools," in terms of principle, the specific wording of the statutes required action to ensure compliance.

In light of the new requirements, the board approved three policies: items a student-conduct policy, a student-suspension/expulsion/appeal process and, a class, subject, and activity suspension by teacher policy.

Throughout the discussion, Richardson emphasized that Chelsea teachers always have had the authority to remove students that they felt were dangerous or disruptive, but noted that the new laws warranted more thorough guidelines.

Among the changes brought about is a new focus on verbal and physical assaults. Under the new policy, these are met with virtually the same mandated actions as violations of weapons, rape or arson laws, Richardson said.

While the board was unanimous in its vote, many members expressed concern over the mechanics of contacting parents and students about the changes. Because the student handbooks were produced

prior to the new policies, Monday's changes will have to be handed out as supplements to the wire-bound books. The board's concerns were eased when it was determined that newsletters for parents of middle and high school students, which are scheduled for September delivery, could have information regarding the new policies included with them.

The wording of the policies also drew some fire, as parent Rodney Branham addressed the board during a public input period. Branham first criticized the board for not allowing his input before its vote on the matter and then took exception to the final wording of the policies created by their vote. He noted that the board removed original language in the then-proposed policies holding administrators to a one-day turn-around on appeals brought by students or their parents, but left in provisions requiring the student or parent to initiate an appeal within a 24-hour period.

Board President Scott Broshar responded by saying that the time constraints created by the Legislature's insistence that policies be in place by the opening of school made standard procedures for citizen input

hard to follow in this instance. Richardson also answered the charge, pointing out that initiating an appeal simply required notification, while investigating the circumstances surrounding an incident leading to suspension or expulsion could require several days. He noted that the intention was not to put up a barrier to appeals.

Those exchanges were the only discord of the evening, with several friendly motions rounding out the agenda. Among the accolades handed down was a commendation for Chelsea Standard reporter Eric Bowen, who completed his coverage of board activities last month.

The members also approved district and board goals for the

1999-2000 school year without dissent. Through their action, the board gave the district directions to:

1. Continue, to improve reading and writing skills of all students; 2. Promote use of technology through continued training and implementation into curriculum; and, 3. Promote behavior, throughout the district, which will promote respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring, and citizenship.

The board itself intends to: 1. Complete a comprehensive policy review; 2. Continue to improve communications within the schools and with the community; and, 3. Plan for growth in the district and future expansion of the schools.

Community Ed to offer building class

Get the help you need to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination with a 16-hour comprehensive seminar offered by Chelsea Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builder's Institute. The seminar is scheduled for Mondays and Wednesdays, Sept. 20-29 from 6 p.m. - 10p.m. at the Chelsea High School, 500 Washington St.

The course is for those who want to subcontract the construction of their own home, real estate investors and developers and building tradespeople who want to work legally in Michigan. The cost of the seminar is \$160 plus \$20 for the course textbook and

sample questions.

Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Thursday, Sept. 16, at the Chelsea Community Education office. Please call (734) 433-2206 ext. 6011 to register.

Unlike one-day classes where you are expected to learn on your own, the seminar is comprehensive, teaching math as well as blue print reading. The instructor has a builder's license and will answer questions related to home building. Oakland Builders Institute is a member of the Building Industry Association of southeastern Michigan and the National Association of Home Builders.



Jim Ross, right, receives the International Design Competition Award in Vancouver from MPIF President Arlan Clayton.

Local company earns award of distinction

Jim Ross, vice president of engineering at P/M Krupp Technologies in Chelsea, accepted an Award of Distinction on behalf of the company at the recent international conference on powder metallurgy and particulate materials in Vancouver, Canada.

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Certainly, the Bible encourages people to do what they can do for themselves, and denounces laziness. In fact, according to the Bible, "If a man will not work, he shall not eat" (2 Thessalonians 3:10).
But really, you could say the main teaching of the Bible is, "The Lord helps those who are unable to help themselves; He helps the helpless." Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners" (Mark 2:17), and, "When we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly" (Romans 5:6).
Unfortunately, the statement about the Lord helping those who help themselves is often used, not just to counteract laziness, but to justify inappropriate action, or even sinful action. I've heard it applied to inappropriate advances in dating for example, as well as to questionable means of making money.
It's even more disastrous when people think they can help themselves spiritually, that they have some good deeds they can offer the Lord, which will apply toward earning eternal life in heaven. Eternal life, the Bible says, is entirely a free gift of God.
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Planning commission considers new zoning classification

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

In an attempt to forestall potential problems if the village becomes a city, Chelsea Planning Commission on Aug. 17 began considering a new zoning classification to allow standard properties in newly annexed areas.

The classification would allow current single-family houses or two-acre parcels into the village without bringing them up to village street, water and sewer standards. The lots would have to have wells and septic fields, or have the capacity for them if developed.

"If we become a city some day, we're going to inherit other areas," said Jim Drolett, Chelsea zoning administrator. "They won't have paved

streets, they won't have water and sewer, they won't have curb and gutter. It's kind of an anticipatory move."

Drolett said the purpose of the new zoning was to allow properties that don't meet village standards to enter the village and remain in their current state.

All other zoning districts require paved streets, curbs, gutters, and water and sewer connections. Because these improvements can be costly, Drolett said the village hopes to give current landowners a monetary break and allow land splits for small development.

Drolett said the zoning district only would be allowed in places that do not fit other zoning classifications. He said

any new developments on vacant land would have to pay for the full improvements.

Also, if another developer put in the street, and sewer and water lines, the village could require homeowners to hook up, complete with tap fees.

"Somebody's not going to be able to take a vacant parcel of land and have it come in to the village with wells and septic," Drolett said.

Though the zoning district is designed for properties coming into the village, it could be used to give some relief to a longstanding village problem — Gene Drive. Homeowners there have complained for years that the village standards prohibit their use of the property by requir-

ing onerous expenses to bring the area up to village standards.

Drolett said at the planning commission meeting that the new zoning district could be used for Gene Drive residents if they request it. The district would then allow them to sell off two-acre parcels without building a road or connecting to village services.

"In a back-sided benefit," Drolett said of the district, "I tried to fashion it so the people on Gene Drive could have some minimal level of development."

Gene Drive resident Jim Machnik told commissioners the new district would not solve the problem. He said he has owned land there for some time, and he wants to build

houses on smaller parcels, which would not be allowed by the district.

Machnik also said he did not agree with a possible road-maintenance requirement, a stipulation that is not in the zoning district language. He said many of his neighbors do not want development, and would be unlikely to offer an agreement to maintain a road.

Machnik said he felt the new district excluded his property. He said that because of the current standards, he has been unable to develop

his property and he thinks the commission should take notice.

"I think it should be a primary concern of the planning commission that we are in the village and we have no services," Machnik said. "The district is not proposed in a way that people in that area can take advantage of the district."

The planning commission will hold a public hearing on the new zoning classification at its Sept. 21 meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Washington Street Education Center board room.

Planners OK mixed-use auto center

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

A bit of darkness brightened the day of developers Aug. 17 when their toned-down lighting plan got the OK from Chelsea Planning Commission.

The commission's unanimous decision to approve a special land-use permit, and preliminary and final site plans, gives the go-ahead for Chelsea Auto Center to begin construction in Commerce Park. The center could open as early as January, according to developers.

"The photometrics were the sticking point," Chairwoman Kathy Carter said at the meeting. "The prime criteria for the special land use is how (the business) will affect surrounding properties. It now fits better with the neighborhood."

According to project engineer Bruce Pindzia, the auto center will encompass four related businesses.

A carwash, which includes three self-serve bays and two automatic bays, will be placed next to a three-bay oil change

service center. The other half of the building will be a used-car dealership and car rental.

Pindzia said the building, which will be built to the west of Stargate Amusements, will resemble the other developments in Commerce Park. It will have split-faced block on the walls and asphalt shingles for a residential look.

With the approval finished, Pindzia said the developers want to begin construction immediately. He said they are busy pulling permits with the anticipation of opening the center in early 2000.

"We were pleasantly surprised by all three approvals on Tuesday night," Pindzia said. "They want to be in operation in January, but February might be a better estimate."

The commission tabled the developer's plan last month because commissioners thought the amount of light given off by the auto center would significantly impact its neighbors.


A report from Chelsea's planner, Carl Schmult, showed that the light levels were sub-

stantially higher than similar businesses, and those of the other businesses in commerce park.

The new plan dropped the average light level by more than 71 percent, bringing it in line with other car-sales-lots, according to a report by Village Engineer Christine Linfield. The light level is still

above two other businesses in Commerce Park.


The commission put two contingencies on the approval. One was that the bulb should not protrude from the light housing so light will not shine directly out of the fixture. The second limits the number of cars on the lot to the number of spaces shown on the plan.




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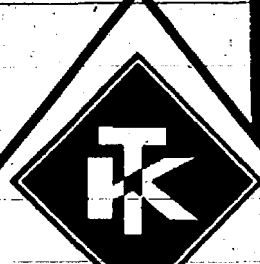
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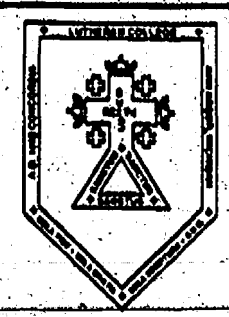
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Researchers test cancer treatment alternative

From the University of Michigan Health System

New hope is available for older people in need of a bone marrow transplant, a procedure typically reserved for patients under age 55 because of its complications.

A clinical trial under way at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center is expanding the boundaries of treatment for older people battling life-threatening blood cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma.

The new treatment being performed in the clinical trial uses less radiation and chemotherapy, instead allowing the immune system of the transplanted marrow to help fight the disease. The new, less-toxic approach offers an alternative.

"We think this trial is going to enable patients who need a transplant but who wouldn't be able to get one," says Dr. James Ferrara, director of the U-M Bone Marrow Transplant Program. "So someone who's 60 or 65, for example, is now going to be able to receive a bone marrow transplant,

which is curative therapy for their malignancy or their condition."

Bone marrow is found inside the body's large bones. It manufactures all of the body's blood cells: red cells that carry oxygen, white cells that fight infection and platelets that allow blood to clot. When bone marrow is threatened by blood diseases such as leukemia and Hodgkin's disease, the body cannot protect itself from infection.

Bone marrow must be genetically matched to that of the patient's to be transplanted.

People over the age of 50 typically have not been candidates for bone marrow transplants because of complications that come with the procedure. In particular, disease is a threat as the new marrow works to establish itself; the new marrow's cells may attack the patient's tissues.

To prepare for a transplant, a patient undergoes a week of extensive chemotherapy and radiation; doses are intentionally high to destroy all bone marrow. Donated marrow is

then transplanted, but needs several weeks to engraft and fully produce blood cells. The side effects during this period are serious and life-threatening, says Ferrara.

"The patients are very fragile. They're very susceptible to infection. They need daily infusions of blood products and antibiotics. They are very sick," he says.

Given how toxic a transplant can be, it is performed only if a patient's life is in danger.

"What's new is we're not trying to destroy all of the patient's bone marrow. We're allowing the new immune system from the donor marrow to do some of the work. All we want to do is eliminate enough of the patient's own bone marrow so that the new bone marrow can take hold," he says.

Five patients have undergone the new procedure; four have survived and are "doing very well," Ferrara says.

The standard procedure has a 70 percent survival rate.

"This really represents a change in the way we think about transplants. For a long time in the 1980s, we thought that it was really the chemotherapy and the radiation that eliminated the malignancy or the problem. Now we understand that it's really the immune system in the donor's marrow that is a major component to the therapy and that's why we think that we can use less radiation, less chemotherapy and rely more on the power of the donor immune system to help eliminate the malignancy," Ferrara says.

Researchers link gene mutation to heart spasm

Researchers have identified three gene mutations that may explain why some people are at high risk for coronary spasm, according to a study published in today's *Circulation: Journal of the American Heart Association*.

Coronary spasms are contractions in blood vessels of the heart that can trigger chest pain or heart attack. Other heart attack risk factors, such as cigarette smoking, high blood levels of cholesterol, high blood pressure, diabetes and obesity, were also taken into consideration in this study.

The mutations identified are in the endothelial nitric oxide synthase gene, which helps regulate nitric oxide production in cells lining the arteries of the heart. Nitric oxide relaxes blood vessels, permitting adequate blood flow in the body.

Nitric oxide is chemically related to nitroglycerin — a drug that has been used for almost a century to treat chest pain called angina. Angina is the heart's reaction to being deprived of adequate blood circulation.

In 1995, nitric oxide was the topic of research that won the 1998 Nobel Prize in medicine and physiology. In addition to relaxing blood vessels, nitric oxide acts as an antioxidant, chopping up the oxygen-free radicals implicated in diseases such as heart disease and cancer.

Researchers have suspected that individuals with heart disease and coronary spasms may have less nitric oxide in their blood vessels than people with healthy hearts. This research, however, is the "first demonstration that mutations in the gene are linked to spasms," says Dr. Thomas F. Luscher, who wrote an editorial that appears in the same issue of *Circulation*.

Luscher is a professor and head of cardiology at University Hospital Zurich in Switzerland. He believes that these findings could lead to new drug treatments for blood vessel or coronary spasms — treatments capable of correcting the gene abnormality by substituting a normal gene for the defective one, or by restoring blood levels of nitric oxide to normal.

The gene mutations were found by a group of researchers in the department of cardiovascular medicine at Kumamoto University School of Medicine, and in the department of medicine and clinical science at Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine in Japan.

Researchers searched for the three mutations in the gene among 174 Japanese who had coronary spasms and 161 Japanese who did not have coronary spasms and served as controls. Among the 174 patients with coronary spasm, 30 percent had abnormal ENOS genes, compared with 7 percent among the control group.

"This analysis revealed that the most predictive factor for coronary spasm was the mu-

tant (ENOS genes) followed by cigarette smoking," according to lead author Dr. Masafumi Nakayama of the department of cardiovascular medicine, Kumamoto University School of Medicine.

These findings confirm earlier research results showing that smoking plays a major role in increasing a person's risk for coronary spasm.

The prevalence of coronary spasm appears to be higher among the Japanese people than in other populations, implicating hereditary factors. However, the discovery of these mutations may prove to have even greater significance in Western societies where new gene-based treatments could potentially improve the quality of life for people with heart disease, according to Nakayama. More people have heart disease in the United States than in Japan.

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ENGAGED: Lisa Ellen Mizelle, daughter of Dempsey and Diane Mizelle of Easton, Md., and Robert Paul Stofor Jr., son of Robert (Carol) Stofor of Halfmoon Lake and Donna Stofor of San Ramon, Ca., have announced a Sept. 11 wedding. The future bride is a 1988 graduate of The Gunston School in Maryland and Chesapeake College. She is a deputy 1st class with the Talbot County Sheriff's Department. The future bridegroom is a 1990 graduate of Chelsea High School and has attended Salisbury State University in Maryland. He is director of nutritional services with Mallard Bay Care Center in Cambridge, Md.

Looking for a native plant that flowers in the summer and produces tasty fruits for jams, jellies, pies and home-made wine? Why not consider the elderberry?

Or perhaps your landscaping goal is to improve your property for wildlife. Once again, the elderberry is your plant — birds love the ripe fruit.

The common elderberry, called *Sambucus canadensis*, is often seen growing in low-lying areas where soil moisture is plentiful. That's a clue to the kind of site they need, says Mary McLellan, Master Gardener program coordinator at Michigan State University. They don't grow in standing water. Well-drained soil and plenty of water is needed.

If you're interested in home-fruit production, you can simply take cuttings from wild plants and start your elderberry patch that way. Or you can opt for the improved fruit flavor and yield of improved cultivars. Look for them in seed and plant catalogs, McLellan suggests.

Elderberries are easy to grow if you have a good site. They usually do best in full sun and are hardy through USDA Zone 5, though some varieties will grow even farther north. They have virtually no significant insect or disease problems and require pruning only if you need to limit their size or spread. They do sucker, McLellan notes,

and a few plants will become a dense thicket in a few growing seasons.

For good fruit production, McLellan advises planting two cultivars — cross-pollination is more dependable than self-pollination.

A number of elderberry cultivars have been developed for their ornamental value rather than their berries. Foliage may be chartreuse or lime green or variegated with green and cream or silver. Cultivars are also available that have bright red berries instead of the common black fruits.

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Dexter library offers book club

With Fall just around the corner, it is time once again to rev up for the Dexter District Library Adult Book Discussion group. For the past two years, the library has offered this program to the community and it has steadily drawn a devoted following. The group reads one to two books per month and meets once on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the library.

During the two years of the program, the group has read such books as *Memoirs of a Geisha* by Arthur Golden, *The Shipping News* by E. Annie Proulx, *Snow Falling on Cedars* by David Guterson, *A Civil Action* by Jonathan Harr, *The Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood* by Rebecca Wells and *Undaunted Courage* by Stephen Ambrose. The group will begin its fall readings with two books by Ernest Hemingway, *A Moveable Feast* and *The Old Man and the Sea*.

Many of the members from last year's group will be returning, so space in the Monday evening group will be limited. If there is sufficient interest, a second group could easily be organized. Please call the library to register for the Monday night group or to express interest in becoming part of a new group.

From the friends of the Dexter District Library

The Friends of the Dexter District Library continued its 41-year tradition of fundraising for the library by sponsoring another successful used book sale during Dexter Daze.

Thousands of books were sorted and set up on the library lawn early Saturday morning. By the end of the day, only a few boxes were left. But hundreds of people had fresh reading material and the library had netted about \$1,000 after expenses. The Friends also offered attractive, sturdy, canvass book bags for sale. The bags have a Dexter library logo on the side and continue to be available at the library circulation desk.

The funds generated by this sale will be used to purchase outdoor benches to enhance the library grounds and to underwrite the cost of some specialty reference materials. A small amount will be saved toward the large project of adding automatically opening doors to the library entrance.

The Friends appreciate the community's support of this semiannual event. Many volunteers worked at the sale and one individual lent a canopy tent to protect the books and their new owners from first the rain, and then the sun.

The Friends continue to actively seek new members, and to reengage inactive members. The library is a wonderful community resource that offers endless information and free entertainment. In addition to thousands of books, the library has many magazines, newspapers, music compact discs, books on tape, free computer access to the Internet, children's programs and much more. There are many opportunities to be of service

to the library by volunteering your time and financial support.

The Friends next executive board meeting will be on Wednesday, Sept. 15 at 10 a.m. in the library meeting room. Everyone is welcome.



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Elderberry has many uses

In the landscape, elderberries are more at home in an informal or naturalized setting than in a formal garden. They tend to be fairly large — the common elderberry may be 10 feet tall and 6 feet across — and the foliage has a sort of

shaggy look. At the same time, it has a lush look that mixes well with woodland plants, meadow perennials, evergreens, ornamental grasses — you name it. It's a versatile plant with a lot to offer the edible landscape.

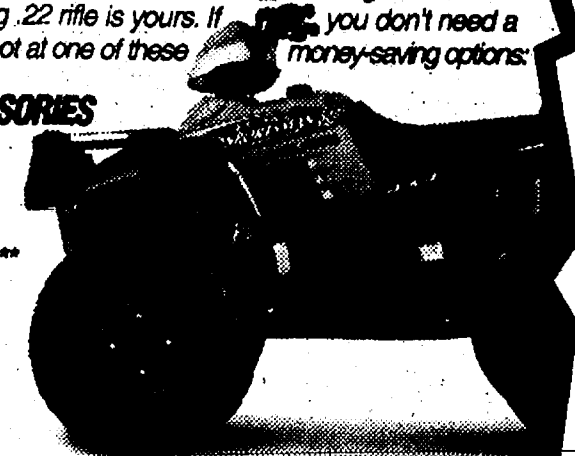
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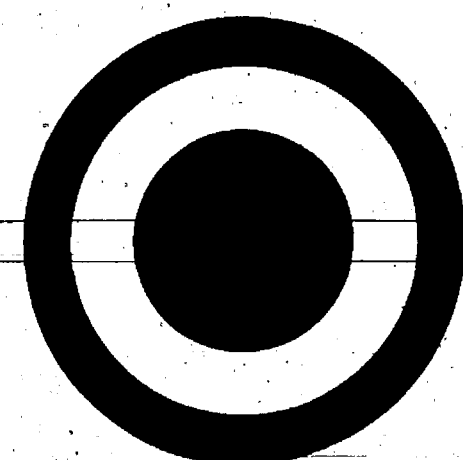
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 Chelsea-Manchester Chapter No. 108, OES meets at the Masonic Temple, 7:30 p.m.
 New Beginnings, a grief-support group for people experiencing the loss of a loved one. Offered as a community service by the Chelsea Retirement Community, meetings are in the Crippen building, first and third Wednesdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Info., Kearney Kirkby, (734) 475-2888.
Thursday, Sept. 2
 American Legion Post No. 31 general meeting at the Cavanaugh Lake Legion Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors meet on the first Thursday of each month. Info., Bill Stewart (734) 475-1515, or Marcia White, (734) 475-6368.
Sunday, Sept. 5
 Gerald E. Eddy Geology Center presents "Star Tales," 8 p.m., at Portage Lake. Learn more about the constellations and how they were named in the legends of the native people. See the stars with a different eye as we explore the skies. Bring binoculars, something to lie on and insect repellent. This adventure takes place at the ball field in the Portage Lake Campground area. Park in the Day Use Area and walk over to the ball field. If it rains, the program will be cancelled. Info., (734) 475-3170.
Monday, Sept. 6
 Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 p.m.
 Lima Township Board meeting at Lima Township Hall, 8 p.m.
 McKune Memorial Library Mystery Book Club meets at the library, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 7
 Rotary Club meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.
 Lions Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:45 p.m.
 Sylvan Township Board meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 8
 VFW Post 4078 and VFW Ladies Auxiliary meet at the VFW Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 Fraternal Order of Eagles, Ladies Auxiliary No. 2154 meet at 7530 Jackson Road, 7:30 p.m.
 Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets the second Wednesday of each month, at 7 p.m. in the Chelsea Retirement Community's Dancy House, 805 W Middle Street. Info., (734) 741-8200, or 800-337-3827.
DEXTER
Thursday, Aug. 26
 Dexter Rotary Club will hold its business meeting at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m.
Thursday, Sept. 2
 Dexter Rotary Club meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m. Phyllis Pohl, Dexter Community School counselor, will be the speaker.
 Dexter American Legion meets at the Dexter Legion Hall, 8 p.m.
 Hudson Mills Metropark presents "Monarch Butterfly Tagging" at 1 p.m. Info., (734) 426-8211.
Monday, Sept. 6
 Dexter Community Schools Board of Education meets at the Copeland building, 8 p.m.
 Lima Township Board meets at Lima Township Hall, 8 p.m.
 Village of Dexter Planning Commission meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m., at National City Bank.
Tuesday, Sept. 7
 Kiwanis Club of Dexter meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 6:30 p.m.
 New Beginnings, a support group dealing with death and divorce, meets Tuesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, at 5:30 p.m. Call Faye Wisely, (734) 426-8931 or the church, (734) 426-8247 for information.
 Dexter Township Planning Commission meets on the first and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Dexter Township Hall at 7:30 p.m.
 Dexter Touchdown Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month in the Dexter High School library at 7 p.m. All supporters of Dexter football, grades 7 - 12 are welcome. Contact Pat Little, (734) 426-3991.
Wednesday, Sept. 8
 Dexter Jaycees are looking for young adults ages 21-39 to join

their club. Meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at National City Bank, Dexter. Info., (734) 426-1080.
 Scio Township Board meets at Scio Township Hall, 8 p.m.
 Hudson Mills Metropark presents "Young Family Walk" at 10 a.m. Meet at the Activity Center for this walk with the park interpreter. Info., (734) 426-8211.
 St. James' Episcopal Church, 3279 Broad St. in Dexter, is offering the Alpha Course, a free 10-week course on a practical understanding of the Christian faith. The course begins at 7:30 p.m., and will feature dessert and coffee, a welcome and introductory talk. To learn more about the Alpha Course or to register, call (734) 426-8247.

MISCELLANEOUS
 Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Dexter Tuesdays at 8 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
 Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Washtenaw County, offers an Adult Support Group for relatives of people with mental illness. The group meets on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Clare's Episcopal Church/Temple Beth Emeth building, 2309 Packard St., Ann Arbor. Info., (734) 994-6611.
 Alzheimer's Association has many support and group meetings each month for family members of Alzheimer's patients. For more information call the South Central Michigan Chapter at (734) 741-8200 or 800-337-3827.
 Alzheimer's Assoc. Family Caregiver Support Group meets the second Thursday each month in the Crippen building at Chelsea Retirement Community, 7-8:30 p.m. Info., (734) 741-8200.
 American Red Cross of Washtenaw County is offering a course in babysitter's instructor training for anyone 17 years and older. Participants learn how to teach and present this course to young people, 11 and up, interested in developing their babysitting skills, emphasizing decision making, judgment and emergency skills. Training is held in the evening and begins Sept. 13. Those interested should call (734) 971-5300, ext. 215.
 Arbor Hospice offers programs for dealing with terminally ill family members, as well as coping with death. Groups meet at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2368 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor. For more information on specific groups and meeting dates and times, call Debbie Skotak or Pat Bauer, (734) 662-5999.
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 Dexter-Chelsea Right To Life meets the third Monday each month at 7 p.m., in the Mary Room at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 3540 Dover St., Dexter. Info., Anne Young, (734) 426-5010.
 Dexter Family Service, contact Pat Burnett, (734) 449-2149; Marian Burgett, (734) 426-2198; 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 meal, 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.
 FEMALE (Formerly Employed Mothers At the Leading Edge), a non-profit support and advocacy group for women who have interrupted their full-time careers to care for their children at home, meets the first and third Thursday of each month at St. Clare's Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard Road, Ann Arbor, 7 p.m.
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 Hands Across The Water, a licensed, private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) international adoption agency, offers free monthly information meetings on their adoption programs and services. The meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 8 will begin at 7 p.m., and will feature the facilitators of the Russian program. Meeting takes place at 2360 Washtenaw, Suite 103B. No fee. Info., (734) 913-0831.
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 Huron Valley Mothers of Multiples meets the third Monday of

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 La Leche League of Western Washtenaw County will meet on August 24, 10 a.m., at the First Congregational Church of Chelsea, 121 E. Middle St. Expectant mothers who wish to learn about breastfeeding, and currently breastfeeding mothers are invited to attend. Babies welcome. Info., Dena (734) 475-2094. www.hvccn.org/info/lll/
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Not too long ago, companies that simply established an Internet presence were ahead of the game. Now, to remain competitive and accomplish business goals, these same companies must do more than put up a static site. They need to maximize the use of the Internet in conducting their business.

Used correctly, electronic commerce can give your business a marketing boost, says the Michigan Association of CPAs.

There are numerous benefits to using electronic commerce. First and foremost, it enables you to provide services more quickly and more cost-effectively on a much larger scale. E-commerce allows a huge population instant access to your company — 24 hours a day, 365 days a year — while at the same time providing you with an opportunity to save on costs.

For example, because e-commerce lets you electronically link marketing, distribution, and customer services, you may be able to drastically reduce expenses. You'll also save money on personnel, phone, postage and printing costs.

E-commerce also allows you to learn more about the people who are spending money at your Web site. You can use tracking systems to quickly pull together invaluable information about your customers. You can gather demographics on age, sex, financial status, purchasing habits — all information that not only enables you to service your customers better, but allows you to target individuals fitting a

similar profile who are potential clients. The net result is an opportunity for you to grow your business.

E-commerce also can help you improve your customer relationship. Site surveys and feedback forms enable you to get input from customers and others who visit your Web page — giving you the opportunity to provide immediate responses. Based on the information you obtain, you can modify or refine existing products. This information also enables you to design new products and/or services to meet an expressed need.

Of course, e-commerce is technology-based, and if you're not a master of technology, you may need some help. Specifically, conducting business on the Internet through your own Web site requires investments in cutting-edge software and hardware and in creative services that can easily get out of hand without strong oversight.

Your CPA can help you keep expenses in check and advise you on software and hardware needs. You'll also want to seek guidance on ways the Web site server may need to be connected with other elements of your corporate

network.

For example, if you're selling something over the Internet, you'll want your sales site connected to your accounting software so you can track not only the actual sale, but also your inventory. A failure to take this step will mean that your site will be less efficient and will demand higher overhead.

When you design your Web site, focus on navigation. Sites that rate poorly with customers may be well designed but are not easy to navigate. If getting from your home page to your service or product description page involves too many mouse clicks, you risk losing customers. And be sure to keep your site updated. You may not have new information to post every day, but it's important that your site be kept current.

Also, keep in mind that privacy and security are top consumer concerns when it comes to Internet transactions. This is something you should address as you expand your In-

ternet capabilities. In the United States, the Federal Trade Commission now requires that Web sites post a privacy policy online and that the company follow the stated policies.

Speak with your CPA about obtaining a CPA WebTrust seal of approval for your site. This seal attests that your site addresses all three consumer concerns about doing business over the Internet, including security, privacy and sound business practices.

Something else to think about: electronic business transactions can only be successful if financial exchanges between buyers and sellers can occur in a simple, universally accepted, safe, and inexpensive way. Various systems have been proposed, some of them based on traditional mechanisms (credit card accounts), while others rely on new designs, such as electronic money. The key for success in your organization will be to find a few widely accepted mechanisms that can be used by most clients.

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My mutual funds make up a substantial portion of my net worth so I become concerned when I see the market move several hundred points in one day.

A: Are there any actions I should take with my investments based upon the movements of the stock market averages, either up or down?

A: Since such a large percentage of the population is now involved in investing, either on their own or through their employer's retirement plans, the movements of the stock market have become an ever more important part of the daily news.

This is especially true of the network evening news programs that always include the obligatory stock market report, regardless of the magnitude of the market's movements.

Since the stock market reports are always included as part of the "news," it is not surprising that many investors feel as though they should be taking some kind of action in response to the reports of the market's movements.

For most investors, however, these daily reports have little or no significance and are nothing more than "noise" that create confusion and needless worry.

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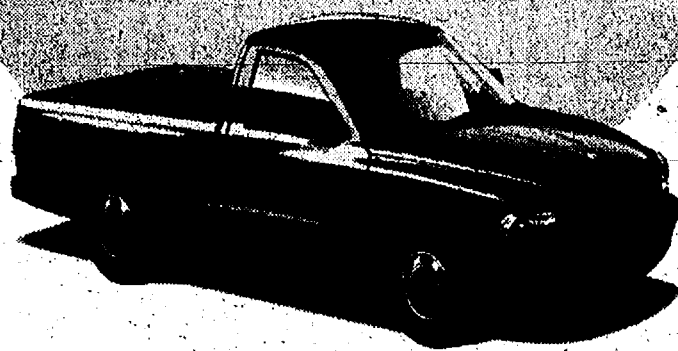
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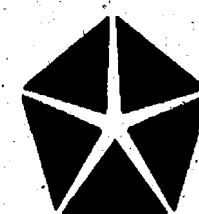
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While studying for my undergraduate degree out-state at Arizona State University, I learned such valuable things as microeconomics is not the study of small change, refrigerators must be fed before feeding and toiletries are expensive.

A bout with strep throat during the second semester of my freshman year prompted further enlightenment: my parents had great health-care insurance coverage.

Regardless of where I traveled, which doctor or specialist examined me, whether the visit was emergency or routine, my card was accepted eagerly without co-pay, pre-pay or deductible. This is difficult to imagine in this health-care world now dominated by managed care, referrals, prequalifications, predeterminations and precertifications.

But such coverage is still widely available for many employees. However, it's at a price. And if you're dependent-free, healthy and absent of chronic illnesses, it might not pay to invest in a luxury health insurance plan.

"Many employers still offer traditional plans, offering those insured the freedom to choose physicians and the freedom to travel without loss of health coverage," said James Fournier, director of insurance and benefits services for CUcare. "But those freedoms are not free."

This year, it's more important than ever to peruse carefully through health care options. With many health systems, hospitals and HMOs losing money and employers reluctant to pay increased premiums, benefit levels will be under pressure.

Last year, insurers saw their prescription costs increase as much as 25 percent from the year prior with no signs the rise will slow. As such, health plans are likely to trim prescription benefits, either by raising co-payments or by restricting choice to preapproved lists, called formularies. So, the package you had last year might not be the same this year.

If nothing else, come open enrollment time, you'll want to make sure of what you have. Not knowing can be expensive. "Too often I hear of people who assume coverage is clear, proceed with services and are left holding the bill because they neglected to fulfill a policy requirement, such as obtaining a referral or selecting an in-network physician," Fournier said.

Picking a health-care policy is a two-step process. The first

step involves selecting the best plan for your health needs.

The options range from traditional, freedom of choice plans or fee-for-service, which offer maximum flexibility but at a high cost, to health maintenance organizations (HMOs), which feature less choice but lower expenses. Somewhere in between are preferred provider organizations, or PPOs, which have some features of an HMO (like low fixed copays at network providers) but offer more flexibility, and point-of-service plans, or POS, which combine features of the traditional, PPO and HMO networks.

Single and married consumers, free of dependents and chronic ailments, typically fare well with managed care plans, Fournier said.

"In most cases a single person doesn't have to go to the doctor frequently, excluding a cold now and then," Fournier said. "HMOs provide these consumers with the ability to see their doctor freely without having to pay deductibles, and co-payments are minimal. Those who don't particularly like managed care are inclined to opt for the plans anyhow as they are the most economical."

The highly traveled consumer is cautioned against HMOs, however, as typical HMOs only provide emergency coverage when outside the network area. If your business frequently takes you away for weeks at a time, you run a high risk of using a physician on your dime. In this case, POS plans and traditional plans might be the best alternative.

Lured by attractive wellness plans, well-baby care and low expenses, consumers with young dependents often lean toward HMOs and PPOs, Fournier said.

"It's common for children to have repeated doctor visits throughout the year, which can quickly add up if your co-pay is 20 percent of the office visit rather than a fixed \$10," he said.

Further, Fournier stresses the importance of considering any special health requirements of all parties insured before locking into a plan.

"People need to look at data carefully from the per-

spective of family needs and where they are in their life cycle," Fournier said. "For example, if someone in your family has diabetes, you'll want to ensure measures and benefits are incorporated in your health plan that are important to diabetics."

Below are definitions of four types of health plans:

Health Maintenance Organizations: HMOs allow consumers to choose their doctors, hospitals and pharmacies from an established network set up by the insurer. They usually don't have claim forms and deductibles, and require referrals for services from the

selected primary care physician.

Point-of-Service Plans: POS plans allow consumers to choose from an established network of providers or go outside the network. Consumers who choose to stay in the network receive benefits similar to people in HMOs. Claims forms are usually not required and require referrals for services from the selected primary care physician for maximum coverage benefits. Those who go outside receive coverage similar to a preferred provider organization.

Preferred Provider Organizations: PPOs allow consum-

ers to choose from a network of physicians and hospitals who have signed up with an insurance or health care company and who have agreed to treat plan members at discounted rates. Coverage outside of the PPO network will require more out-of-pocket expenses by the patient. Generally, no claims forms are required for in-network services

but are needed for out-of-network services.

Fee-For-Service Plans: Also known as traditional indemnity plans, these plans allow consumers to choose any doctor or hospital for their health care services, but typically do not offer discounts or cover many preventive health services.

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Sunday, August 29

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ages 8 to 12 to explore nature through hikes and activities. They look at birds, insects and mammals. Classes are offered to the public year-round.

Tell-A-Friend program to help spread word on cancer

Tell-A-Friend Tuesday is a chance to save lives without even leaving home or work.

The American Cancer Society's Tell-A-Friend program will be held Oct. 5 during Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

This breast cancer awareness program is a chance for hundreds of participants to remind women family and friends over 40 years old of the critical importance of mammography.

The event focuses on one day for participants to call, e-mail or simply talk to five female friends, asking them to get a mammogram.

Breast cancer is currently the second leading cause of

cancer death in women. An annual mammogram is a woman's best defense against breast cancer because it catches the disease early when it is most treatable. The survival rate of breast cancer when detected in its earliest stage is 97 percent.

The 1999 goal for Livingston, Washtenaw and Monroe counties is to reach 38,500 women about this important issue.

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Osteoporosis is implicated in more than 1 million hip, spine, and wrist fractures annually. This results in an estimated 50,000 deaths each year and is also responsible for chronic disabilities and severe pain. The subsequent cost to our society is enormous; yet, most of us know little about protecting ourselves from this disease.

Research in the evaluation and treatment of osteoporosis has made important new advances. A key factor in this success has been the availability of new and improved equipment to measure bone density.

Using a bone densitometer, physicians can measure patient bone density and follow it over time. If the patients' bone density is low, or decreases at an abnormally fast rate, the patient may be at risk for osteoporosis. Through changes in diet, exercise habits, and/or medication, not only can further deterioration of bone be prevented but real strengthening can also occur.

"This bone densitometer measures the density of the spine, hip and other bones which are the most frequent sites of fracture," says Dr. Jim Carl, medical director of diagnostic imaging at Chelsea Community Hospital.

"Until now, evaluating bone density using conventional x-ray systems did not reveal a potential problem until a patient lost 25-30 percent of her bone density. Now, in just a few minutes, this highly sensitive densitometer helps us identify a much earlier stage of bone loss. It can also evaluate response to treatment to determine if the therapy is effective or needs to be modified."

Fortunately, Carl says, "recent research findings clarify the nature of the disease, and demonstrate the effectiveness of new treatments. New diagnostic devices, such as the

CCH bone densitometer, improve the early detection and treatment of osteoporosis."

The National Osteoporosis Foundation recommends bone densitometry measurements for all women over the age of 65 and for women under the age of 65 who have one or more additional risk factors, such as menopause, family history of osteoporosis, low body weight, current cigarette smoking and a traumatic fracture as an adult.

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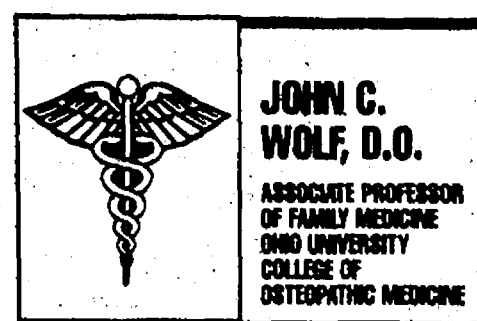
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for government to insist on smoke-free workplaces because of the mounting evidence of the dangers of second-hand

smoke.

The same dangers, of course, exist for your family members in your own home. Here, it's not the government's responsibility to make sure your family is safe from second-hand smoke — but it is yours.

Thirty percent of all cancers are directly linked to tobacco use. In practical terms, this means that if no one used tobacco, the total number of cancers would drop by 30 percent. Also, the risk of certain types of cancer is particularly high for tobacco users.

For example, as you alluded to in your question, smoking is strongly correlated with lung cancer. In fact, this habit is responsible for 80

percent of all cases of lung cancer.

The use of tobacco also significantly increases the risk of cancer in the nose and throat area — including the lips, tongue and larynx — as well as in the esophagus, pancreas, stomach, kidneys and urinary bladder. It also increases the likelihood of some non-cancerous conditions. Heart disease, as you mentioned, is certainly one of these.

Other conditions you may not be aware of include emphysema, osteoporosis, stomach ulcers, stroke, and it can even be responsible for abnormal pap smears. (Wow! I sure am glad I quit smoking a long time ago.)

The exact way in which tobacco, regardless of the form that is used, causes cancer

and other associated health problems is not clearly understood. Some evidence suggests that part of the problem is the direct chemical irritation caused by the tars and nicotine in tobacco. Other evidence suggests that the free radicals produced by smoking tobacco may also play a role. Even the constant exposure to the carbon monoxide in tobacco smoke may be a causative factor.

Research is currently in progress at many centers to identify the mechanisms by which tobacco use causes disease. Equally important, medical and social science investigators are also working to identify ways to successfully prevent young people from starting to smoke and to help smokers quit.

Tobacco use is, of course, a problem in both urban and rural areas. Most attempts to educate citizens about the risks of using tobacco and the ways to quit have been a one-size-fits-all approach. Here at the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, our new Center for Appalachian and Rural Health Research is gathering rural-specific data through intensive grass roots research. I'm hopeful that this will be a major step forward in developing new programs that will improve the health of our fellow rural citizens across the nation.

"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.

FARM FACTS

Three new peaches fit for royalty — Sureprince, Autumnprince and Springprince — have been released by the USDA Agricultural Research Service. It takes years until a peach is "groomed" and ready to join the royal court of peaches. They start off as one of thousands of seedlings from parent varieties with desirable traits such as early or late ripening. Then they go through years of field trials until they are re-

leased. Sureprince is an attractive, firm peach that ripens in mid-June. Sureprince is no lightweight, weighing in at about one-third pound and about 2½ inches in diameter. The surface is bright red at maturity with a gleaming yellow flesh inside. Sure to melt in your mouth, the fruit has good texture and flavor. Yellow-fleshed Springprince and Autumnprince are named for the seasons near when they ripen.

Close to 2½ inches around, Springprince ripens in late May. It is firm and softens slowly on the tree, allowing it to have good flavor for an early peach. Autumnprince, close to 3 inches around, ripens in late August to early September. It hangs on the tree better than many late peaches, which tend to fall before ripening.

Men and women have been baking leavened bread for

thousands of years. Leavened bread is the kind with bubbles in it. It wasn't until 1876 that Louis Pasteur discovered that the stuff that made bread rise was actually alive. That stuff is yeast — a microscopic plant.

Yeast is a fungus that feeds on sugars. It produces 2 things: alcohol and the gas carbon dioxide. Cooking destroys the alcohol and kills the yeast. But the bubbles are left behind, and that's why bread is soft.

STOCKS

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Did you realize that it is possible for these markets to show negative rates of return, sometimes for many months, and occasionally for several years?

If your answer is "no" to these questions, then you may need to rethink how much of your portfolio you should have committed to these markets.

If your answer is "yes," then the daily reports of market movements should be treated as nothing more than interesting information, confirming what you already know — that the markets tend to move up and down on a daily basis.

Part of the media's obsession with reporting daily market activity is that it is portrayed as a valuable tool that we should somehow be able to use to our advantage. Realistically though, if the market goes up by 500 points, will you sell or buy? What if it goes down by the same amount?

We have discussed in many previous articles the futility of trying to "time" the market by getting out before the market goes down and getting in just before it goes up.

If we are not going to try to "time" the market, then we are left with deciding whether investing in the stock and bond markets (with the inherent volatility) is a valid long-term strategy in the first place.

If past history is any indication, then investing in these markets clearly makes sense for those who can tolerate the day-to-day volatility.

Investing should be a process and a strategy that may be thought of as part of a lifetime plan for achieving financial goals. It should not be a day-to-day decision such as deciding which movie or restaurant to attend based upon your feelings of the moment, or how the market may be performing this week, this month, or even this year.

Fluctuations in the stock and bond markets are part of the process that occurs as normal investment activity. Once you come to this realization, short-term changes in the Dow Jones Industrial Average lose their importance other than as a topic of general conversation.

In order for you to have the opportunity to participate in the potential for gains in the stock and bond markets, you must decide on the portion of your portfolio you are willing to place at risk.

Once you have made that decision, you must be willing to accept the inevitable fluctuations that will occur. Of course, this does not mean, however, that you should not monitor your investments.

They should be reviewed on a regular basis to determine if their performance is satisfactory versus their peers and the level of risk you are willing to accept.

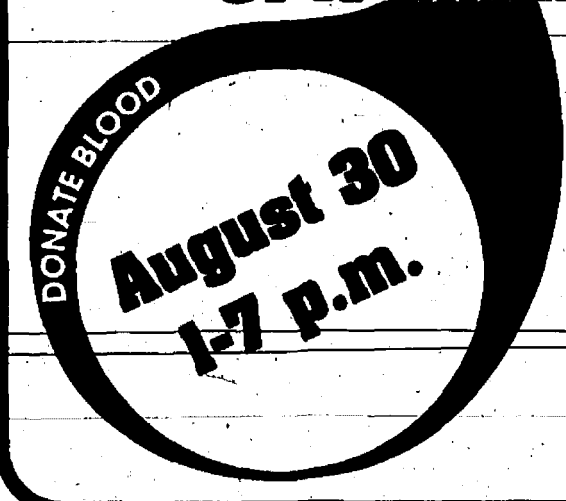
For those who own mutual funds or have individual investment managers, remember that the manager of the funds is actively managing the portfolios on a daily basis. If you have to watch the market every day, why are you paying them?

For the most part, they will not be trying to move money in and out of the market; rather they will look for investment opportunities in individual stocks and bonds in an effort to achieve long-term portfolio gains.

Investment managers do not control the financial markets, however, so you should therefore expect the same kinds of fluctuations that are experienced by the broad market indices. This is to be anticipated, and for a portfolio suited for your risk tolerance and time horizon, should be no cause for alarm.

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Dr. James Clarkson, D.V.M.

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having: dark, dry and granular buildup are most likely to occur with ear mites; bacterial infections usually result in a yellow, odoriferous exudate; yeast infections cause a brown, waxy exudate; and a yellow, waxy to oily discharge points to keratinization disorders.

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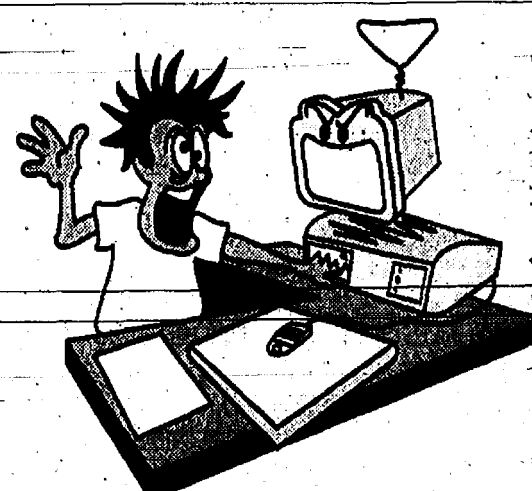
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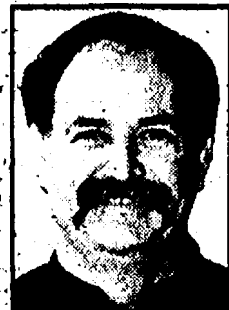
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AUTO REVIEW

Suzuki Vitara offers safety, security



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ROAD TEST

As the popularity and size of sport utility vehicles has grown, so has the price, with many top-of-the-line vehicles sporting sticker prices nearing \$40,000.

Fortunately, there are a few smaller, less expensive vehicles around like the Suzuki two-door Vitara, that still give the safety and security of four-wheel drive and the ability to explore off road.

And even though the model tested is one of least expensive SUVs on the market, it does come with its fair share of creature comforts.

Among the standard items included in the base price of the Vitara tested are a tilt wheel, power windows, power steering, power mirrors, power door locks and air conditioning.

All versions of the Vitara come with a full frame, and for 1999 the truck has an all-new chassis that features a MacPherson strut front sus-

pension with separate coil springs and low-pressure, gas-filled shocks for a more comfortable ride.

The interior of the Vitara is pleasant and there isn't anything that I couldn't live with. However, it would be much nicer if an armrest were added between the driver and the passenger.

Another thing I would like to see changed is larger more user-friendly controls for the sound system. I know that my eyesight is not quite what it used to be, but even a person with 20-20 vision might have problems reading these controls.

I guess you could think of the fold-up center roof section on the Vitara as a large manual sunroof. Folding the top up is a simple process and after a little practice, you could probably complete the process during a red light.

Folding the rear section of the top is a little more involved and will take longer than a few minutes. That is because both of the rear windows have to be unzipped and completely removed before the top can be folded into the trunk area.

As you might imagine, the Vitara's interior is a little noisier than vehicles with a hard top. However it isn't so bad that you had to yell to talk or turn the volume on the

sound system way up to hear it.

The top seems very tight. No water came in during the recent rainstorms it was driven through or the times it was washed. If the plastic windows turn yellow as they age. They do zip in and out for easy replacement.

Back-seat room is fine for preteen children, but full-size adults will only fit comfortably if those in front have their seat all the way forward.

The storage area behind the rear seat is large enough for a couple of small suitcases or a few bags of groceries and not much else. If large objects need to be carried, the rear seat can be folded down.

Those Vitara owners who order the optional 2.0-liter engine instead of the standard 1.6-liter will find an extra 30 horses under the hood.

The standard five-speed transmission shifts fine and I didn't notice any undue clunks or clangs while shifting. However those thinking about using their Vitara for off-road trips on a regular basis may want to opt for the automatic transmission.

Engaging the Vitara's four-wheel drive system is a little more involved than pushing a button on the dash, like on some four-wheel drive vehicles.

It involves moving a lever

mounted next to the shift lever. The process is not that involved, and, besides, the system is less expensive than electronic versions.

The Vitara's demure size has its pluses and minuses. The biggest plus for the Vitara's size is its 15.4-foot turning radius.

Other pluses are that it can go down many narrow trails that larger SUVs can only dream of going down and while driving in town, its size will allow it to fit in many parking spaces larger vehicles can only look at as they drive past.

The minuses are that the Vitara cannot hold as many people or stuff as the larger SUVs, and it cannot tow nearly as much as its larger counter-

parts.

SUZUKI VITARA

BASE PRICE: \$16,099

AS TESTED: \$16,519

TYPE: Front-engine, compact two-door sport utility vehicle

ENGINE: 2.0-liter four-cylinder with 127 horsepower matched to a five-speed man-

ual transmission
MILEAGE: 22 mpg city, 24 mpg highway
TOP SPEED: NA
LENGTH: 152 inches
WHEELBASE: 86.6 inches
CURB WT.: 2,601 pounds
BUILT AT: Ontario, Canada
OPTIONS: None
DESTINATION CHARGE: \$420

Expect changes with Yukon

By Gary Gosselin

Heritage Newspapers

During a recent conversation with someone, they mentioned that GMC is far behind other major manufacturers in modern styling, and I immediately thought of the 1999 Yukon I was testing.

Sure, the GMC trucks are boxier than their counterparts at Lexus, Ford and Daimler-Chrysler, but in all of the materials I read from GMC, they say this is on purpose.

"A truck should look like a truck," is usually the response to those types of queries.

And, it's not like the Yukon has been around forever. It was introduced as a 1994 model, so it has a relatively new style. They apparently just were going for the "handsome in a conservative kind of way" (my words not theirs).

With that said, expect some changes soon, probably next year with the 2001 model.

Handsome is probably a good word to describe styling of the Yukon, with its rather flat and strong-looking front hood, square headlights and box-like front grille.

Size makes the Yukon look rather imposing, with a high profile and strong straight lines from front to back. The deep tinted rear windows add to the look and the chrome wheels are a nice touch too.

As impressive (or ominous, depending on your point of view) as the Yukon looks, the ride and power are at least equally impressive.

This behemoth is powered by a 5.7-liter V-8, which puts out 255 horsepower and 330 foot-pounds of torque.

You won't be winning any gas conservation awards with 22 mpg city and 18 mpg highway fuel use, but you may win head-to-head with some of the Yukon's competitors.

The powerplant offers plenty of front end power for decent off-the-line acceleration, and freeway driving, passing and all, is like a walk in the park.

Yukon's ride is also equal to the "impressive" moniker, with almost car-like smoothness, pretty responsive handling (for any size or type of driver) and a whisper-quiet interior.

There is no sway that I could tell and the Yukon took corners at speed without any feeling of loss of control.

This is accomplished with the help of front independent suspension with torsion bars and something called urethane "jounce" bumpers — hey it works.

In back, there's multileaf springs and semifloating axle with heavy-duty shocks.

The model tested came with front buckets, so with this model you can fit five very comfortably. Add the bench

seat and you could squeeze an additional (but small) passenger up front.

There's plenty of room all

around, and the driver has the usual complement of analog gauges.

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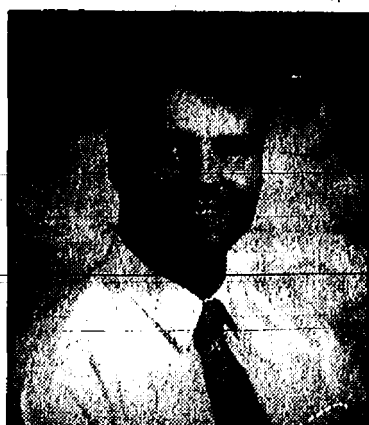
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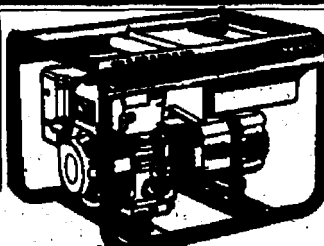
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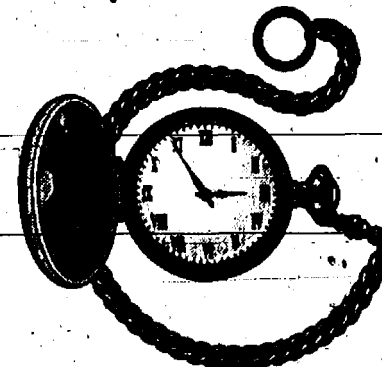
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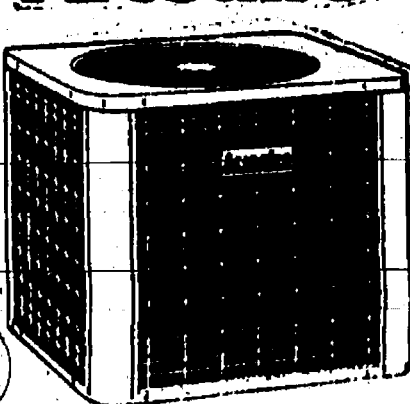
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1969 Road Runner a rare bird, indeed

By Dave Chapman
Heritage Newspapers

Phil Warrens had quite a rare car in his 1969 440 six pack Super Bee. But it just wasn't a Road Runner.

You see, Warrens has always had a soft spot in his heart for Road Runners, since it was the first car he purchased when he got out of the service a few years back.

So, Warrens sold his Super Bee and went in search of a Road Runner. The Road Runner he found was a rare bird indeed — a 1969, 440 six-barrel four-speed model with a console. Fewer than 800 such cars were ever made.

"The car was owned by a doctor in Oklahoma, who used to drag race it. My wife, Noreen, and I drove 52 hours to get the car and trailer home," Warrens said. "It was in good shape, pretty much rust free. One problem with

the car was the bolts. Whoever worked on the car replaced a lot of its bolts with ones that had been metric," he explained. "Finding the correct bolts to replace them (with standard ones) took some time and effort."

Finding the bolts for his Road Runner wasn't the only problem he had during the total restoration of his car. Nothing seemed to go right with the project, Warrens said.

The person who was scheduled to paint the car had it for nearly a year and didn't do much. Plus, most of what he did do had to be redone by R.W.R. Restorations of London, Ontario, Canada, which applied the car's new paint.

"This car has been a total nightmare to restore," Warrens groused. "Nothing went right; things that should have only taken a few minutes took hours.

"Things that should have only taken hours seemed to take days," he said.

The interior of Warrens' Road Runner features spotless white seats, and an AM/eight-track sound system, which is also a rare item.

It also means that Warrens has been visiting flea markets and swap meets to find eight-track tapes for his Road Runner.

Perhaps the most noticeable item on Warrens' car is its large lift-off hood with a larger-than-life scoop with bold red letters that read "440 six-barrel."

Some people think it is an after market hood, because it's so large," he said. "It isn't. It is the one that the car came with from the factory. The only problem with the hood is that it takes two people to lift it off the car."

"That means I have to take

someone with me if I want to check the oil, or doing anything else under the hood.

Under the Road Runner's removable hood is a 440-cubic-inch motor with three two-barrel carburetors. The motor is in stock trim and pretty much the way it was when Warrens purchased the car — except for a lot of detailing.

"The motor is the way it looked when the car came off the assembly line," Warrens said with a touch of pride. "I even painted part of the ground cable on the engine, because when the engine was painted on the assembly line the cable was attached and part of it was painted."

The exterior of the red car is quite plain except for its white stripe and Road Runner decals. It doesn't even have hubcaps — just chrome lugnuts.

"This car did not come with

many options; no power steering, no hub caps, just chrome lugnuts," he said. "It was made to go from the show room to the drag strip."

Finishing touches to the car include all of the correct factory stickers and tags. Things like jack placement and the correct stamped tag on the car's 4:10 Dana rear end. Warrens even went to the time and trouble to find a tire company that made radial tires with the correct red line tire for his rare bird.

He did this because he believes in driving his car and radial tires not only offer a better ride, but also they are much safer than old bias ply tires.

MOVIE REVIEWS

'Blair Witch' great horror, 'Haunting' not

By Alex Lundberg
Heritage Newspapers

Quick! Take \$7.50 out of your pocket and burn it rather than going to see "The Haunting."

Wait! Scratch that. Use that money to see "The Blair Witch Project," the most original horror film to hit the screens in decades.

"The Blair Witch Project" is a faux-documentary, supposedly made up from the video and film records of three student filmmakers found one year after their disappearance in the wilds of Maryland.

The entire film is shot on camcorder tape and 16mm.

Heather Donohue, Joshua Leonard and Michael Williams (the actors' real names) pack up their equipment and drive to Burkittsville, Md., to do a documentary on the legend of the Blair witch.

They talk with some of the locals and get a thumbnail sketch of what people believe about the legend. The next day, they leave for the woods to find some of the principal sites of interest in the forests.

They do some shooting, they razz each other about their camping etiquette, and they deliver some pedantic dialogue about the history of the area for the documentary.

At night, they hear strange sounds in the forest. The next day, they realize they are lost in the forest. The characters get more and more afraid as they realize they can't find their way back to their car.

The sounds in the forest are getting scarier; something (someone?) is stalking the three.

This is where the movie breaks away from others in the horror genre. The characters quickly turn on each other as they descend into hysteria.

In your average horror film, someone pulls himself together and takes the fight to the bad guy. That never happens in "Blair." It isn't even possible.

Whatever stalks the three filmmakers is never seen; the viewer is left to fill in that blank by himself. The result is a horror film unlike any other.

The movie is voyeuristic, and therefore completely realistic to the situation. It's not the "I Know What You Did..." bunch looking like a million dollars. It's three people who are wondering if they're ever going to get out of the woods alive.

There aren't any shocks in the film; there's slow-accumulating dread.

Adding to the mystique of the movie is the advertising campaign that tricks viewers into thinking it is a true story. It isn't. The only movie that it can be compared to (in style) is "This is Spinal Tap."

Modest in its executions but grand in its imagination (and trust in the viewer) "The Blair Witch Project" ranks with the best horror films ever made.

"The Haunting" shows the viewer everything — and leaves nothing to the imagination, nothing to enjoy and little to be afraid of.

Excellent indie actress Lili Taylor (the real star of the film) can't pull this snorefest out of the fire. By the end of the film, you can't help but wish the ghost could find a way to kill everyone involved — actors, director, producer and key grip — as well.

"The Blair Witch Project" Rating: A+
 "The Haunting" Rating: D.

YUKON

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All gauges, knobs and controls are pretty standard GMC fare — all are big and easy to read and to use.

The feature I especially like is that the four-wheel-drive functions are push buttons on the dash, and the big thing is the AutoTrac button and service.

One push of the AutoTrac button and Yukon goes into standby four-wheel-drive mode. Then, the four-wheel-drive kicks in automatically if the system detects any traction loss.

Trust me on this one, most people will use AutoTrac and never even need to use the four-wheel-drive functions because most of us just want a little added security and most of us never go off road.

There's plenty of storage space in the back of the Yukon, and I'd say you could probably pack for a week away for five rather easily, and I'm sure the 66.9 cubic foot cargo area would fit four or five sets of golf clubs. That area goes to a cavernous 118.2 cubic feet with the rear seats folded down.

Rear passengers ride in cushy comfort made better by the addition of rear air conditioning outlets and a rear blower adjustment in the ceiling console.

Yukon certainly is a solid contender in the full-size sport utility segment, and may even come in with a better price tag than some if its comparably equipped counterparts.

I suppose it's all just a matter of style (or styling if you prefer).

GMC YUKON 4WD

BASE PRICE: \$33,039
AS TESTED: \$35,350

TYPE: Front-engine, full-size four-door sport utility vehicle.
ENGINE: 5.7-liter V-8 with 255 horsepower matched to a four-speed automatic transmission
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POLICE BLOTTER

Dexter Village

Drunken Driving

A 30-year-old Ohio woman was arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol on Ann Arbor Street near Main Street Aug. 15. A Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputy followed her after noticing that she was speeding. The woman's vehicle reportedly crossed the centerline before she was stopped by police on Dexter-Pinckney Road near Island Lake Road.

The driver reportedly smelled of alcohol. She was asked to exit her vehicle and take a sobriety test. A breath test revealed she had a blood-alcohol level of .17 percent, which is more than the legal limit to drive.

A 44-year-old South Lyon man was arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol on Central Street near Second Street Aug. 21. Police were initially dispatched to an injury accident. The suspect said he fell asleep at the wheel and hit a utility pole. He was leaning against his vehicle and smelled of intoxicants when the officer arrived. The man was asked to take a breath test. The test revealed the driver had a 10 blood-alcohol level, which is considered legally intoxicated.

Larceny
Larceny was reported in the 8000 block of Huron Street Aug. 16. A 39-year-old man told police that someone stole the license plate off his trailer between Aug. 13 and Aug. 15. The plate is valued at \$10.

Illegal Entry
Illegal entry was reported in the 4700 block of Inverness Street Aug. 13. A 32-year-old Dexter man told police that someone entered his residence without permission between July 3 and July 11. The man said he noticed things were out of order after returning home from vacation. Pillows on the couch were out of position and a door was open.

The man said he didn't call police because he didn't think he had any proof. However, when his cable bill arrived, the man said he was billed for pay-for-view on July 4, July 6, July 10 and July 11 while he was out of town.

Warrant Arrest
Laura L. Wilton, 21, of Stockbridge was arrested on a

warrant Aug. 17. Wilton was wanted on a bench warrant for violating probation. She was taken to the county line, where she was transferred into custody of the Ingham County Sheriff's Department.

Larceny
Larceny was reported in the 3500 block of Edison Street Aug. 18. A 40-year-old man told police that someone stole his riding tractor between Aug. 15 and Aug. 18. The tractor was parked in front of his house. It was not chained. The tractor is valued at \$2,500. Police have no leads.

Chelsea Village

Warrant Arrest

William J. McKenzie, 34, of Scio Township was arrested and then transferred into the custody of a Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputy at the Chelsea police station Aug. 17. McKenzie was wanted on a warrant for violating probation after not meeting with a probation officer in connection with a conviction for unlawfully using a vehicle.

Drunken Driving

A 27-year-old Inkster man was arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol on Old Manchester Road near S. Main Street Aug. 22. The man was initially stopped by Chelsea police for speeding 46 mph in a 35 mph zone. A breath test, however, revealed he had a 16 percent blood-alcohol level, which is more than the legal limit to drive.

The man was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital for a blood test to confirm the results of the breathalyzer before he was transported to jail. The suspect's driver's license was suspended in March for a 1997 drunken driving conviction.

Suspicious Incident

Chelsea police were sent to a home on Park Street Aug. 21 for a report of children shooting off fireworks. A 47-year-old woman was cited for violating the noise ordinance by creating "unreasonable noise" after 10 p.m. The woman was lighting the fireworks with four children nearby. She told police that she was hosting a party and lost track of time. She faces misdemeanor charges in 14th District Court in Chelsea.

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported at

Sharon Manor apartments on Main Street. A 37-year-old woman told police that her friend's apartment door was kicked in between 6 p.m. Aug. 20 and 2 a.m. Aug. 21. Damage is estimated at \$400.

The man living in the apartment told police nothing appeared to be missing. Police have no leads.

Domestic Dispute

Police were called to the Holiday Inn, 1540 Commerce Park Drive, Aug. 22 for a complaint of a domestic dispute in the parking lot. A 31-year-old Garden City woman told police she was staying at the hotel for business purposes. Her estranged husband wanted to speak to her and was waiting in the parking lot.

Police advised the woman to seek a personal protection order from the court. Her estranged husband was asked to leave.

Dexter Township

Minors in Possession of Alcohol

An 18-year-old Fowlerville man and 20-year-old Gregory man were arrested Aug. 22 as minors in possession of alcohol on Island Lake Road near Waterloo Road. Police initially stopped the vehicle the two were riding in for having an expired license plate. The investigating officer suspected both had been drinking and administered a preliminary breath test. Both tested positive for having consumed alcohol. Neither was considered legally intoxicated, however.

A 19-year-old Grass Lake man and an 18-year-old Chelsea woman were arrested as minors in possession of alcohol on McKinley Road near McKinley Heights Aug. 14. The teens were initially stopped on a traffic violation. A preliminary breath test revealed both had a 12 percent blood-alcohol level, which is considered legally intoxicated.

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported on North Territorial Road near Stofor Road Aug. 1. A 48-year-old Chelsea woman told police that someone driving recklessly damaged her vehicle. She said a man driving a blue sports car spun his tires on the shoulder of the road, throwing

gravel at her vehicle. The woman's 1997 Pontiac sustained a broken headlight and paint chips along the hood and bumper.

Larceny

Larceny was reported in the 6900 block of Madden Road Aug. 8. A 77-year-old man told police that four sets of keys were stolen from his home between 10 a.m. Aug. 7 and 10 a.m. Aug. 8. The man suspects his brother-in-law of stealing the keys. The Pinckney man was at his residence playing cards.

The suspect, however, denied taking the keys and offered to take a lie-detector test to prove it.

Mental Health Problem

A deputy was dispatched to a residence in the township Aug. 16 to investigate a complaint of a suicidal man. A 17-year-old girl told police that her 19-year-old boyfriend was suicidal. The man told police that he was upset because he is being evicted and his girlfriend is seven weeks pregnant. The man's girlfriend stopped him from drinking a bottle of bleach.

The man told police that he has a history of psychiatric treatment. He was committed to the University of Michigan Medical Center for involuntary hospitalization.

Domestic Assault

Domestic assault was reported on Dexter-Pinckney Road near Horseshoe Bend Aug. 14. A 31-year-old Saline woman told police that she and her husband drank too much alcohol during Dexter Daze and fought on the side of the road.

The suspect turned himself in near Pinckney. He told police that he knew what he did was wrong and blamed it on his intoxicated state. Police later tracked down the victim, who was reluctant to talk. However, she told police that he slapped her shoulder.

The victim's brother told police that the suspect pushed him to the ground, injuring his knee.

Drunken Driving

A 52-year-old Pinckney man was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated on Dexter-Pinckney Road near

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Dexter



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Summer Fun

Summer has been a relaxing time for local youngsters but it will soon end. Dexter students return to school Aug. 31. Pictured enjoying a tire swing in their yard are Charlie, Susie and Kevin Butler, who live on Grand Street.

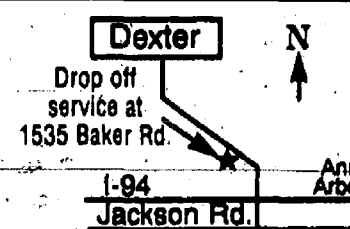
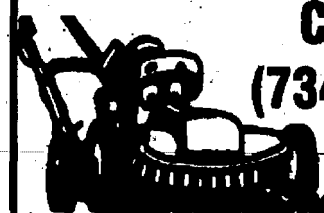
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POLICE

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North Territorial Road Aug. 20. The man was initially stopped for speeding 67 mph in a 45 mph zone. The officer noted that the suspect smelled of intoxicants. He was asked to take a breath test.

The investigating officer reported that the man exercised and danced for several minutes before taking the test in hopes of skewing results. The test, however, revealed he had a .17 percent blood-alcohol level, which is more than the legal limit to drive.

Scio Township

Larceny

Larceny was reported in the 1000 block of Wing Drive Aug. 16. A 19-year-old Dexter woman told police that someone entered her 1995 Chevy between 6 p.m. Aug. 15 and 10:30 a.m. Aug. 16. Her stereo and 48 compact discs were stolen.

The woman also reported that the vehicle was damaged. Someone scratched the passenger-side quarter panel with a key. The stolen items are valued at \$500. The extent of damage was unknown at the time of the report.

Larceny was reported in the 1600 block of Reserve Court July 21. A 28-year-old man told police that someone stole jewelry from his home between Feb. 1 and March 15. The victim said building contractors were in the home frequently. There was no forced entry. Stolen items include several gold necklaces, bracelets and rings valued at nearly \$4,000.

Larceny was reported in the 700 block of Juniper Street Aug. 4. A 17-year-old boy told police that someone broke into his vehicle and stole stereo equipment and speakers valued at more than \$1,000. His 1988 Buick LeSabre sustained \$3,000 in damage when

a window was smashed, the trunk was pried open and rear seats were pulled out.

Domestic Assault

Domestic assault was reported in Eagle Pointe apartments on Eyrie Drive Aug. 19. A 36-year-old woman told police that her 16-year-old daughter threw plates, glasses and pots at her after she told the girl they would have to move. The victim said one plate hit her head and shattered, causing small cuts on the back of her neck.

The suspect told police that she didn't hurt her mother intentionally. The girl admitted to throwing the items and swinging a golf club but said she didn't mean any harm.

The girl was arrested for felonious assault and taken to the Washtenaw County Juvenile Detention Center.

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported in the 1700 block of Butterweed Court Aug. 21. A 19-year-old man told police that someone scratched his 1988 Mercury Marquis with a key while it was parked in the street between 7 p.m. and 7:50 p.m. Aug. 20. The car sustained \$1,000 in damages.

The victim told police an unsigned note was attached to a neighbor's car parked in the street a couple of weeks ago. The note warned the neighbor not to park in the street.

Breaking and Entering

Breaking and entering was reported at Barr Engineering, 450 S. Wagner Road, Aug. 21. A 40-year-old Dexter woman told police that someone broke into a neighboring business, causing \$100 in damage. A window was broken out.

Police noted that the incident is the fourth breaking and entering in the area in the past three days.

Breaking and entering was reported at Serv-All Printing, 425 Jackson Plaza, Aug. 21. A 44-year-old Dexter man told police that someone broke into the business between

Aug. 20 and Aug. 21. A window sustained \$300 in damage.

The victim told police it appeared as if someone went through desk drawers in the main office but nothing was reported missing.

Breaking and entering was reported at M&I Data Services, 180 Jackson Plaza, Aug. 19. A 44-year-old Adrian man told police that someone broke into the business between 1 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. Aug. 19, breaking a window. Damage is estimated at \$250. Several desk drawers were opened but it did not appear as if anything was missing.

Domestic Assault

Domestic assault was reported in Scio Farms Estates, 6655 Jackson Road, Aug. 18. A witness called police after a 39-year-old man allegedly assaulted two women. The witness said his girlfriend was helping the suspect's wife move out. The suspect reportedly came home and a verbal argument ensued between the suspect and his wife.

The 35-year-old Chelsea woman who was in the couple's trailer at the time of the assault told police that the suspect pushed her three times in the shoulders. Then, she said, he threw a candle at his wife's head. The woman said she called her boyfriend, who then called police.

The victim told police that the Chelsea woman was cleaning her trailer when the suspect came home. She said the suspect appeared to be upset that the woman was there. They argued over their children, she said, and he pushed her on the bed.

The suspect told police that he thinks both witnesses are a bad influence on his wife. He admitted to pushing both women. The man told police that he has a problem with anger and said he is getting help for it.

Lyndon Township

Minor in Possession of Alcohol

A 19-year-old Lincoln Park man was arrested as a minor in possession of alcohol Aug. 21 at Horseman's Campgrounds near Loveland Road. Police were initially sent to investigate a disorderly person. An officer met with the suspect and asked him to take a preliminary breath test, which revealed he had a .13 percent blood-alcohol level. A blood-alcohol level of .10 percent or higher is considered legally intoxicated.

Webster Township

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported on Joy Road near Zeeb Road Aug. 8. An 18-year-old Scio Township man told police that he and a friend were driving on Merkle Road, spinning his truck's back tires, when a man in a red Ford pickup truck attacked his vehicle. The teen said he was pulled over on the side of the road when the man struck his vehicle. He said the suspect got out of his car and began hitting his front windshield with what appeared to be a baseball bat.

The victim's passenger told police that they were driving in the suspect's field. He said the man yelled at them for destroying his field and then struck their vehicle with his own. The passenger also said the suspect hit the victim's windshield twice with a baseball bat.

Sharon Township

Runaway

A 41-year-old man reported his 15-year-old daughter as a runaway from their home on Esch Road July 24. The girl is a student at Manchester High School. The girl's father said the last day he saw her was July 23 when he let her go to the Ann Arbor Art Fair.

A friend of the girl's told

police that the teen was planning to catch a bus to Florida with another girl.

The girl's name and description were entered into the Law Enforcement Information Network.

Bridgewater Township

Explosive Device

Police were sent to the 10300 block of Hogan Road Aug. 16 for a report of a pipe bomb exploding in a residential mailbox. A 33-year-old

woman told police that she saw a vehicle next to her mailbox at approximately 9:30 p.m. A few seconds later she heard an explosion and the vehicle speed off westbound on Hogan Road. Damage to the mailbox and a brick stand is estimated at \$300.

(Compiled by Associate Editor Michelle Rogers based on reports filed with Chelsea Police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.)

Local residents earn honors

Chelsea resident Michelle McDonald, a sophomore, was named to the St. Mary College academic honors list for the spring semester.

To qualify, a student must maintain a 3.4 minimum semester grade point average.

St. Mary's College, located in Notre Dame, Ind., is a four-year Catholic women's school. McDonald is the daughter of Dennis and Anita McDonald.

Chelsea resident Joshua Metzler has graduated with summa cum laude honors from Hope College.

To achieve this honor, a student must have maintained

a 3.87 minimum grade point average for the duration of their years of study.

Hope College is located in Holland, Mich.

Chelsea alumna Corrie A. Schoenberg received a bachelor's degree from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill.

Schoenberg was a dean's list honoree and the fiction editor of Helicon, the student literary magazine.

Schoenberg plans to work as a marketing assistant for Routledge Publishing in New York, N.Y.

Schoenberg is the daughter of Douglas and Rebecca Schoenberg.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Americans should show respect toward war vets

I would like to thank the few people who stood, removed their hats, covered their hearts with their hand or applauded when we marched by carrying the American flag during the Dexter Daze parade.

There were only a few people who showed their respect for the flag in this parade. Because I march in many parades during the year, I was disappointed by the lack of respect for our great flag shown to us by the people attending this parade.

I will be marching in the Chelsea Fair Parade with the Vietnam Veterans on Aug. 28. I hope that there will be more people standing when our flag passes by. There is always very strong support for the

flag at any parade in Ypsilanti that I have been in. The flag has a special meaning to those of us who have served in the Armed Forces for our country.

Frank Blackwell
Vietnam Veterans of America
Boardmember of Chapter 310
Washtenaw County, 1999
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Support local kids at Chelsea Fair tonight

My name is Cassy Mioduszewski. I am 8 years old and attend Bates school in Dexter. I like animals and sports and my friends. This will be my first year showing and selling market lambs at the Chelsea Fair. If you would like to support me and our local fair, the auction is Aug. 26 at 7 p.m. If you would like to attend, you can get a buyer's pass from Ken McCalla at 475-8153. Hope

to see you there!

Cassy Mioduszewski

Slow down

As school is beginning, I'd like to remind everyone that while East Middle Street is wide and looks like a thoroughfare, the speed limit is only 25 miles per hour. There is much pedestrian traffic during the school year, with children walking to and from the middle and high schools.

Regularly, I see not only passenger cars, but buses and other community transportation flying down this street at what looks to be in excess of 40 mph. Please slow down and keep our school children safe.

Barbara Johnstone

Library needs support

Yes! Yes! As most Chelsea Standard readers are aware,

the Chelsea District Library will hold a special bond and millage election on Tuesday, Oct. 5.

All voters in the geographic boundaries of the library — the village, Lyndon and Sylvan townships, and portions of Lima and Dexter townships — will have the chance to demonstrate their support for the library's expansion and improvements that the community needs and deserves.

As Chelsea grows and changes, our library serves as a strong, key resource for the entire community and we must not fail to participate in guiding its future.

You can show your commitment by wearing a gold ribbon, which represents support of the Chelsea District Library, and reminds friends

and neighbors to vote Yes! Yes! on Oct. 5. I'll be wearing lots of extra ribbons to give to those who will also display their support — don't forget to ask me for one to wear if you need to.

Jennifer Kundak
Chelsea

Show support to kids at Chelsea Fair auction

My name is Melany Mioduszewski. I am 9 years old and attend Wylie school in Dexter. I like animals and crafts and swimming. This will be my second year showing and selling market swine at the Chelsea Fair. If you would like to support me and our local fair, the auction is Aug. 26 at 7 p.m. If you would like to attend you can get a buyer's pass from Ken McCalla at 475-8153.

Melany Mioduszewski

Parents can stem violence

By Nancy Frazier
Heritage Newspapers

Communities can look on helplessly when crimes as inexplicable as those in Columbine occur, expressing fear and concern, but not knowing quite what steps to take.

Or they can act to make it less likely that their schools will ever be the scene of such violence. We shouldn't feel helpless because the problem of school violence is not insoluble. But it takes work, and it takes cooperation on all sides.

Recently, Sandra Feldman, president of the American Federation of Teachers, wrote about this issue in her monthly "Where We Stand" column. She described how, as president of the New York City teachers' union, she witnessed the escalation of school violence and the deaths of teachers and students.

She wrote, "It seemed that illegal guns were everywhere — and teen-agers had too many of them."

The Board of Education, the PTA, and the teachers' union mobilized, she notes. After a lot of debate, metal detectors were installed in a number of schools.

State and federal laws were tightened, and students who brought guns to school faced real consequences: exclusion from school for an entire year.

Awakened cruelly to the previously unimaginable, adults began paying more attention. And things began to change.

There are still neighborhoods where violence erupts, Feldman observed, but the time when kids regularly brought guns to schools is long gone in New York, and in most other cities.

We need to pay close attention to kids. They need it. They need to know what is acceptable behavior and what isn't. They need to know that rules count, and that there are (fair) consequences for breaking them.

And even though the horrific suburban gun spree that have taken place over the past year bring back those dark days in our cities, there are some striking differences.

The boys involved in these recent incidents, besides being seriously troubled, grew up in a culture where adults have a positive attitude toward guns and access to guns of all kinds is nearly unfettered.

Like city kids, these middle American youngsters are exposed relentlessly to violence on television, in movies and through video games. Youngsters who are emotionally healthy won't resort to killing. But teen-agers are volatile; they get into fights. They brood and bear grudges. Although most of them are decent, respectful kids, they are kids. They need adult guidance and supervision. They need us to nose around in their lives.

A reporter who was in Denver after the Columbine incident told Feldman that many parents were unsure about how much to "intrude" into their teen-agers' lives. They felt as though they were snooping.

The reporter asked Feldman what she thought, and she gave a one-word answer: "Snoop!"

Feldman argues that there are protective measures that we need to take as a society:

- Pass state and federal gun control laws that do a better job of restricting children's access to guns. Mandatory child safety locks on all guns and stricter laws for licensing and monitoring those who sell guns would be a good start.

- Bring more counselors into schools, especially for several hundred students — the situation in most schools today — cannot keep tabs on troubled kids and make sure they get the help they need.

- Explore ways to discourage the marketing of products that glorify violence to kids — that goes for the music industry, Hollywood, TV, and video game makers.

But neither these things nor other necessary school-safety measures are enough, and Feldman urges: "I say, loudly, to parents and grandparents and aunts and uncles and other adults who have relationships with children — Snoop!"

She's right. We need to pay close attention to kids. They need it. They need to know what is acceptable behavior and what isn't. They need to know that rules count, and that there are (fair) consequences for breaking them.

That's how they know we care. The noisier we are, the more they'll know what to do and what not to do.

Parents have a tough job these days. They need the support of schools, communities, laws, and all the institutions that set the moral tone for society.

If we all pitch in, we can help make sure that the often-difficult adolescent years are safe and secure for everybody's children.

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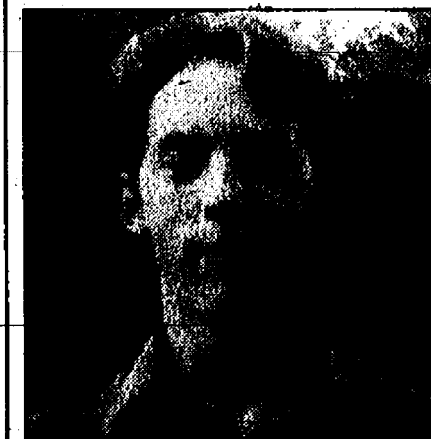
By Corinna Christman

How do you feel about the lack of diversity in Chelsea?



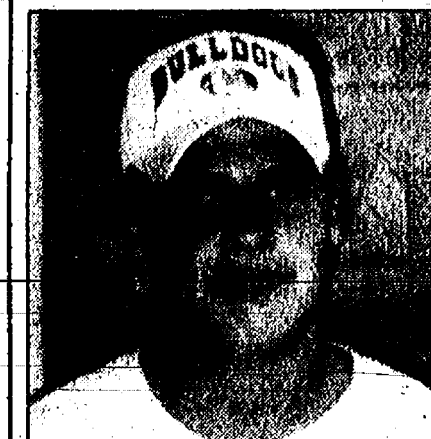
"It definitely does not help with teaching children what is wrong or right. For example, they may see someone of a different race later in life, and not like that person because they think it's weird."

Leah Gerstenlauer
Sylvan Township



"I feel that the obvious lack of diversity in Chelsea is a situation which is unfortunate and irreversible. The longer that it does not exist, the harder it is to accept. Sadly, that is the way many people like it."

Kris Hammerberg
Lima Township



"The lack of diversity in Chelsea affects our teens more because we never learn to get along with people of all kinds before going out into the real world."

Chad Livingood
Lima Township



"The lack of diversity was a real concern when we decided to move to Chelsea. But we felt having Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan nearby would balance it out."

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"Chelsea's lack of diversity is a problem for its youth. Young people grow up too isolated and lack global awareness."

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Some of the new flower catalogs have a new symbol — a silhouette of a deer with a circle

around it and a diagonal line across it — to indicate plants that deer won't eat.

Homeowners who have had deer damage in their yards and gardens and want to discourage browsing deer need to know that what deer will or won't eat is rarely that clear-cut, says Glenn Dudderar, Extension fisheries and wildlife specialist at Michigan State University.

"It is absolutely true that deer prefer some plants over

others," he says. "It's also true that there are some plants that deer will rarely eat, such as daffodils, Colorado blue spruce and barberry. But with the vast majority of plants, so-called deer resistance depends on a variety of factors external to the plants."

One obvious consideration is how many deer there are. The more deer there are and the hungrier they are, the more likely it is that they will eat plants that they ordinarily wouldn't eat, Dudderar says.

Another factor is the condition of the plants. If they're well mulched, watered and fertilized, they probably have lots of succulent new growth and they're more palatable, more nutritive and more easily digestible than similar plants in less favorable growing conditions. So, deer may eat them, even though they're plants that the deer ordinarily would not prefer.

Another factor is availability. Deer may not munch on a red pine tree growing near a house, but a red pine at the far end of a large yard near a field or the edge of a woodlot can be devastated, he observes.

"The difference is the risk involved in approaching so near the house," he explains. "Especially if it's a food the

deer don't really prefer, they won't risk it. But the same food located where it's handy when they are hungry will be heavily browsed because it's available and low risk."

The last factor, and the one most difficult for some people to understand, is familiarity. A strange, new potential food plant — sunflowers, for instance — may go virtually untouched for a year or two or even three while the deer are getting accustomed to it. They may taste it occasionally but generally leave it alone. But look out after that.

"What this all boils down to is that, if you have lots of hungry deer and the plants you are concerned about are well cared for and located where the deer can easily get to them with no risk, they might just get eaten, no matter what the catalog says," Dudderar says.

"Likewise, preferred foods may not be touched if they're located somewhere deer are afraid to go, especially if there are plenty of alternative foods available and not a lot of deer competing for them. In other words, there are too many factors influencing what deer eat to be able to state absolutely that any plant is truly deer resistant everywhere all the time."

Singers to perform at church

An uplifting evening of operatic quality music is planned for Sunday, Aug. 29, when St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Chelsea welcomes actress/soloist Gayla Bauer Blaisdell and Glimmerglass Opera performer Tor Blaisdell for a special concert.

Gayla is preparing for her Ph.D. recital in vocal performance at New York University, while Tor is just coming off a three-month engagement with the Glimmerglass company.

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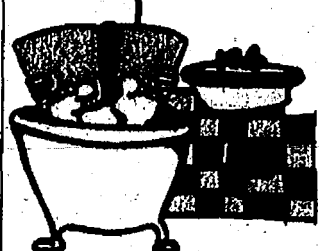


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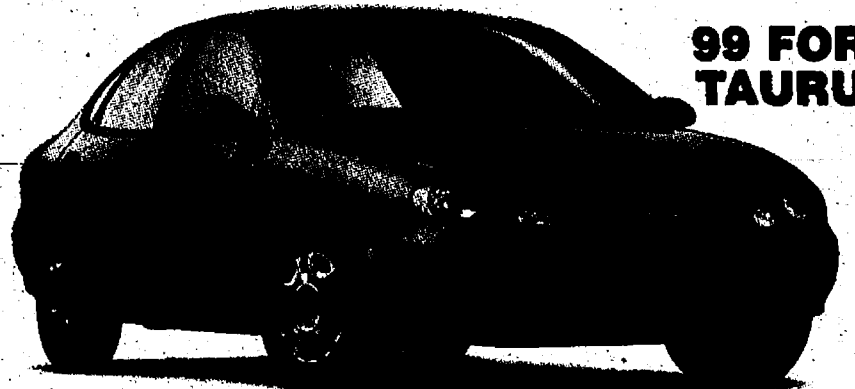
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On the Campaign Trail



Yvonne Humenay and John Carter have volunteered to help Texas Governor George W. Bush in his Michigan campaign for the Republican presidential nomination. Both are 19-year-old Chelsea residents and students at the University of Michigan.

Chelsea residents to help Bush in presidential bid

By Michael Rybka
Staff Writer

While many political pundits are scratching their heads over the meaning of George W. Bush's "compassionate conservatism," it makes perfect sense to 19-year-old Chelsea residents Yvonne Humenay and John Carter, who have volunteered to help the Texas governor in his Michigan campaign for the Republican presidential nomination.

"I'm going to get the word out to people in my age group," said Humenay, who will be a sophomore at the University of Michigan in the fall. "If I can get 25 people to vote for him, I would be happy."

"We believe educating people on the issues will lead to more votes for Bush," said Carter, who will be following Humenay to U of M as a freshman this fall.

The couple's commitment to Bush was not a capricious decision. The two U of M students have been heavily involved with hands-on politics. Carter, especially, is no political neophyte and it was with a sophisticated eye that he assessed the others on the long list of early GOP hopefuls and found them lacking.

It was the Bush Web page — which articulates the Texas governor's positions more clearly than his speeches — that convinced Carter he had found his man. When he shared his hot political tip with Humenay, she was more enthused than her boyfriend by what she read.

Eager to act upon their findings, the two called a telephone number to find out what they could do to help Bush's campaign in Michigan. They were shocked when they discovered that the number was that of Gov. Engler's secretary.

The secretary informed them that Bush had yet to establish a Michigan branch headquarters. She asked for their names, addresses and ages and said she would forward this information to Bush.

Within three weeks, Humenay and Carter

received a signed letter from Bush, thanking them for their support and promising to contact them again when a Michigan headquarters was formed.

The offer from Humenay and Carter to help Bush is unlikely to be forgotten or ignored. Washtenaw County Commissioner Joe Yekulis — who will be counted on to drum up area support for the eventual GOP nominee — took the young Republicans under his wing some time ago.

"We believe educating people on the issues will lead to more votes for Bush."

**—John Carter
Bush campaigner**

Yekulis already has helped them place entries on their résumés that should attract the attention of any candidate.

Through Yekulis, the two already have met Engler twice and have assisted the Republican county commissioner with organizing Bob Dole's Presidential campaign visit to Chelsea in 1998. They also volunteered their services in a losing bid to nominate Jane Lumm over Julie Knight in the 1998 Republican primary in the race for the state's 52nd district congressional seat.

Yekulis is further honing the couple's campaigning skills by directing them to Republican state Sen. Mike Rogers' bid to fill the 8th district U.S. congressional seat being vacated by Democrat Debbie Stabenow's run for the U.S. Senate. Rogers serves as the senate's floor majority leader.

"I've contacted him and he thinks we have a lot in common," Carter said.

Carter and Humenay met Rogers in person while working in the Republican booth at last year's Chelsea Community Fair and walked in

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Tara Thorburn finds niche teaching special education

By Michelle Rogers
Associate Editor

Tara Thorburn's memories of high school center on music. She played the cornet and snare drum in the concert and marching bands, later studying music therapy in college.

But an internship at an adult skills center in Kalamazoo convinced her to switch career paths. This fall, the Waterford native will mark her third year leading the regional Educable Mentally Impaired (EMI) program at South Meadows Elementary School in Chelsea.

Thorburn initially studied music therapy at Western Michigan University. But after an internship as a music therapist with adults ages 26 and older, Thorburn changed her mind.

An autistic man, who did not speak while Thorburn was there, sang "Puff the Magic Dragon" on her last day. This, Thorburn says, inspired her to change her major.

"It was at that point where I think I realized I really enjoy the (special needs) population and had a talent to work with them," she says.

"I always thought music was such a small part of (reaching them) and I wanted to see how they learned."

By switching her course of study, it took Thorburn another two years to finish her bachelor's degree. But she says it was worth it.

In 1997, Thorburn graduated from WMU with a major in special education and minor in psychology. She is certified to teach the mentally impaired in kindergarten through 12th grades.

Next spring, Thorburn expects to complete a master's degree in educational leadership at Wayne State University. Some day, Thorburn says, she would like to work as a principal or director of special education. But for now, she is happy teaching.

"I think I am going to teach for some time and maybe seek a principalship or (a job as a) director of special education. But right now, I don't think that far ahead. I just enjoy what I do too much," she says.

Thorburn was hired in 1997 to start a regional EMI program at South Meadows Elementary School. Similar programs have been in place at Beach Middle School and Chelsea High for years.

In addition to Chelsea, the program serves students from Dexter, Manchester and Whitmore Lake. Students are selected based on test results and after an interview between teachers and parents to determine student needs.

Thorburn strives to be considered just another teacher at the school. She does not want students to see her as being any different.

"I hope my students perceive me as just another teacher of theirs — as another teacher in

the building who helps them with other subjects," she says.

As a school talent show judge and summer tutor, Thorburn hopes other students get to know her the same way.

Although she strives to be viewed as a regular teacher, Thorburn admits her program is different in many ways.

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For instance, there are field trips to bring an awareness of community to students. They visit such places as the police station, fire department and post office. Students also learn about the various forms of transportation available, visiting such places as Detroit Metro Airport.

"We definitely drill academics very hard," Thorburn says. "Academics is very important in our program. But there are other components in our program that make it unique versus regular education."

This fall, Thorburn and Samantha Schneider, a paraprofessional, will serve 14 students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Students are taught in the regular classroom and come to Thorburn's room for extra instruction and special activities off campus.

There are three components to the EMI program at South

Meadows. Academics, recreation and vocational skills are taught. Thorburn provides individual and group instruction on math, science and English. But there is also an emphasis on improving communication skills, as well as learning about future vocations and staying physically fit.

Reading is Thorburn's favorite subject because she can see each student's progress.

"Last year, reading was something all of my students had a difficult time with. To see gains and be part of a team that helped a child read is very rewarding," she says. "That really tugs at you — when before they couldn't read the letters and then they can."

Thorburn says learning to read is vital to putting students on the path to independence, which is a goal of the program.

Thorburn describes her teaching style as energetic, much like the children she teaches.

"I believe teaching has to be hands on. We cook in my classroom; we go out in the community and Rollerblade or we go bowling," she says.

But Thorburn also has a serious side.

"I would say I am determined

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Tara Thorburn has found her niche teaching special education students at South Meadows Elementary School. Thorburn was hired two years ago to lead the regional Educable Mentally Impaired (EMI) program at South Meadows. Similar program have been in place at Beach Middle School and Chelsea High for years. The program draws students from Dexter, Manchester, Whitmore Lake and Chelsea.

The Chelsea Standard SPORTS

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Pausing long enough to catch their breath, members of the varsity swim team pose for a shot during their recent training camp. Members include Deb Adams, Ashley Augustine, Karl Ceo, Jesse Inwood, Chris Broshar, Tricia Compton, Liz Kaminsky, Jennifer Minnick, Elana Street, Katherine Knox, Mary Paul Kasey Whitley, Nicole Williams, Margaret Yekulis, Rebecca Armstrong, Laura Adams, Jessica Basset, Anna Haroney, Alexis Jolly, Sarah Manville, Jamie McConville, Katie Minnick, Julie Mida, Christine Rosentretter, Tracy Stetson, Sarah Tschirhart, Kelly Varady.

Chelsea swimmers travel West

By Joseph Yekulis
Guest Writer

While most people associate the fall athletic season with footballs flying through the air, another important sport will be off and running on Tuesday, Aug. 31, as the Chelsea girls' varsity swim team takes on Adrian in its first dual meet of the season in Beach Middle School's Cameron Pool. Action starts at 6:30 p.m.

Twenty-five girls from this year's varsity squad traveled to Holland, Mich., last week to begin their season under the guidance of third-year Head Coach John Crispin, assistant coach Bob Moffett and diving coach Laura Nilsen. This year's swim team promises to be exciting to watch, as the girls attempt to improve on last year's record of 5-7-1.

People who aren't affiliated with the varsity swim programs may not have an appreciation for how much work and preparation goes into getting these young athletes "competition ready."

In a tradition that began 10 years ago, the team makes an annual trip to the west side of the state to begin training for their season. Two-day practices take place from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the Bouws Municipal Pool in Holland, and the girls tent camp at Holland State Park. While the girls are swimming hundreds of laps in the pool, parents participate by preparing meals and chauffeuring the athletes back and forth between the pool and their encampment at the state park.

"Traveling to Holland for our pre-season training camp is extremely valuable for the program," Crispin said. "The combination of camping and training together away from home has evolved into an opportunity for the girls to become closer and to get to know one another better."

"During training camp, we work on fitness, stroke skills, training protocols, and getting into shape," Crispin added.

The coach credits his seniors with bringing a high level of enthusiasm into the season and he also feels that the juniors and sophomores have progressed in their knowledge of the sport. The new freshmen, too, have brought in a surprisingly high level of experience.

"We have the potential to be a great team with the new girls that are coming up during the next two years," Moffett said.

"Our boys' swim program has been a top ten program in Class B competition in the state for the last eight years. I see no reason why our girls can't be at the same level very soon with our influx of new talent. You're going to see us making some noise at the state level in the very near future. This year's tri-captains are seniors Liz Kaminsky, Katherine Knox and Jesse Inwood, and each is excited about the team's potential."

Kaminsky's hope is that, "People will be able to look back on this season and know that this experience has changed their lives. It's changed me, because I've been able to learn a lot about myself."

Knox wants to make sure that her teammates are "proud to be a part of this team, and that our parents will be proud to cheer for a team that's winning and being successful."

Inwood feels that, "Our team has a lot of depth, not only physically, but socially. We have a great mesh of personalities, and our job as leaders will be to ensure that everyone else on the team achieves their goals. We're not really worried about our record. We want everyone here to be proud of themselves and their achievements. The wins will come when we as individuals, become a team."

The team is looking for strong performances from seniors Deb Adams and Katherine Knox. Adams finished in the top 25 in the state last year in the 100-meter backstroke and the 200-meter freestyle, and Knox participated in the 400-meter freestyle relay with Adams at the '98 state meet. Ashley Augustine, Jennifer Minnick, and Chris Broshar represent the junior class. Augustine finished sixth in the state in the 100 backstroke and 12th in the 50-meter freestyle last year.

As a freshman two years ago, Augustine topped a varsity record for the 100-meter breaststroke, and gained all-state honors for her second-place finish at the state meet.

Minnick is expected to be a major contributor as a freestyler this year, and qualified for the '98 state meet in the 200-meter medley relay and 400

freestyle relay.

Broshar qualified for the state meet last year in the 500-meter freestyle, and is expected to improve as a distance swimmer and contribute as a sprinter this year.

Sophomore Kari Ceo finished tenth in the SEC in dive competition last year, and hopes to place in the regionals and qualify for the state meet.

The large freshman class will contribute immediately to the team's depth in relays and dual meets.

This year's team expects to improve on last year's 24th place finish in the state, and hopes to finish in the top third of the SEC. One area they will undoubtedly remain strong is academic accomplishment. For three straight years, the Chelsea girls swim team has achieved Academic All-State honors, and in 1998 finished 4th in Class B, with a 3.6 team GPA.

"This is a tremendous accomplishment, considering all of the demands that these young athletes have on their time," Crispin said. "Once

school begins, they practice twice a day, one and one-half hours before school (starting at 5:45 a.m.), and two more hours after school. Then when you consider that many of them participate in band, orchestra, drama, and other club activities, there's a tremendous burden placed on their time."

"We look at academics first. If accommodations need to be made, we'll do it. Ninety-eight percent of these kids will never swim collegiately, so academics has to be a priority," Moffett said.

The combination of team chemistry, senior leadership, and freshman depth will make the 1999 Chelsea girls varsity swim team a force to be reckoned with, and a fun team to watch. A fine foundation is being laid for the future, and this program has no where else to go but up.

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Linksters in fine form

By Colleen O'Neill
Staff Writer

The Chelsea Men's Golf season got underway Thursday, Aug. 19, at Reddeman Farms with the team finishing just three strokes out of the trophy standings.

"This was a good tournament for us," said Head Golf Coach Jim Pallman. "Especially for the first of the year and especially when you look at the spread."

"The first place trophy went to Brooklyn Columbia Central with a score of 318, in second was Ann Arbor Greenhills with 321 and third was Pinckney with 333," Pallman said. "Our score was 335."

Pallman took a team of six to the Manchester Golf Invitational. Both Manchester and Chelsea use Reddeman Farms as their home course.

"Casey Johnson was our best score at 82," Pallman said. "Tim Bailey and Dennis Price both shot 84 and Jarred Wacker shot 85."

Craig Indyke and Mike Mignano both attended but only the top four scores count according to Pallman.

"This was not a bad start for us but our seniors have golfed better in the past," Pallman said.

"An early tournament will give the kids some confidence as they prepare for our next outing, on Monday in Tecumseh," Pallman said.

Pallman had a large group try out for the team this year.

"When we finally got rolling we had 40 kids show up," Pallman said.

Pallman said he had to cut the team down to the 12 play-



Photo by Colleen O'Neill

Casey Johnson, left, and Dennis Price talk strategy while assistant coach Bruce Rabbit looks on.

ers who make up the varsity and reserve squad.

Others on the team are senior Jason Young, sophomore Dane Wedeon, freshman Chris Johnson (brother of Casey), sophomore Jamie Herenden, freshman Paul Newhouse, and sophomore Jeff Johnson, who is unrelated to the Johnson brothers.

The top eight players will make up the varsity rotation.

"I also have 16 freshmen who came out," Pallman said. "I have all of them come out every other night for a mini-tour."

"They play five or six rounds against each other," Pallman said. "It gives them some competitive experience while I try to build the program up."

Reddeman Farms has done an incredible job of helping the team according to Pallman.

"Reddeman allows our kids to play free in the twilight hours," Pallman said. "It is a great privilege really and we've seen a tremendous increase in interest."

"All of this will add up to a

better program in the future," Pallman said. "In fact we are already seeing signs."

According to Pallman, Mignano, Wacker and Casey Johnson all worked on their games this year and have taken a couple of strokes off their score.

"Mike Mignano played every night this summer and earned a spot in the top eight of the team," Pallman said. "He did what he had to do and that is quite an accomplishment for a sophomore."

"He showed a lot of dedication to playing, he's fallen in love with the game and it paid off," Pallman said.

Like many coaches Pallman has a volunteer assistant.

"Bruce Rabbit has been a great asset to me," Pallman said.

Pallman has been coaching and teaching in the Chelsea school system for 30 years.

This is his 11th year as Head Boys Golf Coach. He also coaches eighth-grade boys basketball and girls golf in the spring.

"I guess you could say I like coaching," Pallman said.



Koufax League Champs

Monsters of the Sandy Koufax League, the Chelsea Recreation team rolled to an undefeated season this year. Pictured are, front row, left to right: Ryan Brown, Chris Johnson, Tim Gregg, Dave Graff, Matt Robinson, Kenny Mallory and Coach Tim Welshans. Behind them, left to right, are: Coach Ron Herrst, Josh Welshans, Steve Smith, Ronnie Herrst, Ricky Ott, and Clayton Wilson.

Aquatics club falls to Travis Pointe

The Chelsea Aquatic Club swam against Travis Pointe Country Club on July 17. The diving meet took place on July 16. Individual times for Chelsea swimmers were as follows:

Medley Relay
9-10 Boys (100 yd.): 2. Jordan Skidmore, Mitchell Cook, Nick Armstrong, and Dustin Catalano, 1:18.20.

9-10 Girls (100 yd.): 2. Kellyn Pagliarini, Alice Butcher, Christine Kelley, and Cassie Vachon, 1:19.02; 5. Haley Eder, Katie Klink, Erika Purdy, Danielle Schulte, 1:54.01.

11-12 Boys (200 yd.): 2. Nathaniel Christman, Michael Zang, Alex Wilson, and Robbie Moffett, 2:33.80.

11-12 Girls (200 yd.): 1. April Adams, Kara Stiles, Kelly Butcher, and Meghan Minnick, 2:17.99.

13-14 Boys (200 yd.): 1. Michael Policht, Jonathan Zang, Zachary Christman, and Aaron Connell, 2:09.86.

13-14 Girls (200 yd.): 2. Rebecca Armstrong, Lindsay Cook, Emily Wrathall, and Kim Vachon, 2:18.43; 4. Jennifer Williams, Danielle McClelland, Elena Street, and Kasey Whitley, 2:33.60.

15-17 Boys (200 yd.): 2. Andy Thiel, Jered Tuberville, Bobby Rohrkemper, and Scott Wallace, 1:58.05.

Freestyle
8-and-under Boys (25 yd.): 1. Ryan Wrathall, 21.05; 6. Jonathan Skidmore, 29.85.

8-and-under Girls (25 yd.): 2. Kelly Whitley, 19.04; 3. Emily Sparrow, 19.35; NS. Gwen Eder, 26.95.

9-10 Boys (50 yd.): 2. Nick Armstrong, 36.33; 6. Jordan Skidmore, 38.93; 7. Dustin Catalano, 39.03; NS. Robbie Pagliarini, 42.90; Mitchell Cook, 44.98; Blake Burnette, 46.37; Tom Bloomfield, 51.49.

9-10 Girls (50 yd.): 1. Kellyn Pagliarini, 33.52; 2. Christine Kelley, 35.40; NS. Haley Eder, 55.23; Danielle Schulte, 59.89.

11-12 Boys (50 yd.): 1. Michael Zang, 30.28; 4. Robbie Moffett, 34.43; 8. Nathaniel Christman, 38.08.

11-12 Girls (50 yd.): 1. Kara Stiles, 28.80; 2. Meghan Minnick, 29.35; 3. April Adams, 31.36; NS. Elizabeth Skidmore, 33.45; Chrissy Widmayer, 34.53; Kelsey Benton, 36.06.

13-14 Boys (50 yd.): 1. Jonathan Zang, 27.40; 2. Aaron Connell, 28.53; 5. Nathan Skidmore, 37.91.

13-14 Girls (50 yd.): 2. Kim Vachon, 28.23; 3. Allise Augustine, 28.80; 6. Danielle McClelland, 31.51; NS. Kasey Whitley, 31.60; Rebecca Armstrong, 32.31; Emily Wrathall, 32.87; Jennifer Williams, 33.58; Katie Widmayer, 34.84.

15-17 Boys (50 yd.): 1. Andy Thiel, 25.27; 5. Scott Wallace, 27.84.

15-17 Girls (50 yd.): 1.

Bridget O'Brien, 29.37; 4. Mary Paul, 31.90; 5. Nicole Williams, 31.95.

Long-Distance Freestyle
8-and-under Boys (50 yd.): 3. Ryan Wrathall, 46.88; 7. Jonathan Skidmore, 1:16.32.

8-and-under Girls (50 yd.): 3. Kelly Whitley, 45.74; 4. Emily Sparrow, 48.48; 7. Gwen Eder, 1:02.38.

9-10 Boys (100 yd.): 4. Nick Armstrong, 1:22.09; 5. Jordan Skidmore, 1:31.24; 6. Dustin Catalano, 1:43.39; NS. Robbie Pagliarini, 1:43.93; Blake Burnette, 1:57.65; Tom Bloomfield, 2:01.85.

9-10 Girls (100 yd.): 1. Alice Butcher, 1:13.89; 4. Cassie Vachon, 1:25.02; 6. Erica Purdy, 1:34.27; NS. Katie Klink, 2:26.72.

11-12 Boys (200 yd.): 2. Michael Zang, 2:24.79; 6. Robbie Moffett, 2:50.41; 8. Nathaniel Christman, 3:02.69.

11-12 Girls (200 yd.): 2. Kelly Butcher, 2:20.72; 3. Kara Stiles, 2:27.20; 4. April Adams, 2:32.89; 5. Meghan Minnick, 2:36.45; NS. Elizabeth Skidmore, 2:44.03; Chrissy Widmayer, 3:05.50; Kelsey Benton, 3:33.57.

13-14 Boys (200 yd.): 1. Jonathan Zang, 2:09.56; 4. Zachary Christman, 2:22.63; 5. Nathan Skidmore, 3:36.52.

13-14 Girls (200 yd.): 5. Alise Augustine, 2:30.51; 6. Elena Street, 2:30.72; 7. Lindsay

Cook, 2:32.63; Kasey Whitley, 2:35.05; Katie Widmayer, 3:08.67.

15-17 Boys (200 yd.): 3. Bobby Rohrkemper, 2:04.93; 6. Jered Tuberville, 2:08.20.

15-17 Girls (200 yd.): 3. Bridget O'Brien, 2:17.79; 7. Mary Paul, 2:36.56; 8. Nicole Williams, 2:36.96.

Freestyle Relay
9-10 Boys (200 yd.): 4. Blake Burnette, Tom Bloomfield, Mitchell Cook, and Jordan Skidmore, 3:10.56.

9-10 Girls (200 yd.): 1. Alice Butcher, Christine Kelley, Cassie Vachon, and Kellyn Pagliarini, 2:19.67; 4. Kelly Whitley, Katie Klink, Danielle Schulte, and Erika Purdy, 3:39.75.

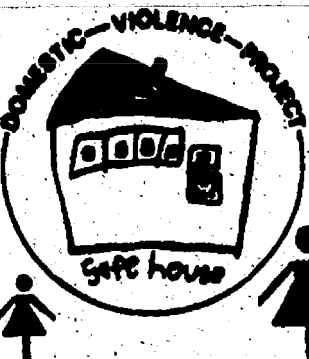
11-12 Girls (200 yd.): 2. Kelsey Benton, Chrissy Widmayer, Liz Skidmore, and Kelly Butcher, 2:23.64.

13-14 Boys (200 yd.): 2. Jonathan Zang, Nathan Skidmore, Zachary Christman, and Aaron Connell, 1:56.56.

13-14 Girls (200 yd.): 2. Rebecca Armstrong, Lindsay Cook, Danielle McClelland, and Kim Vachon, 2:00.65; 4. Elena Street, Jennifer Williams, Emily Wrathall, and Katie Widmayer, 2:14.22.

15-17 Boys (200 yd.): 3. Scott Wallace, Andy Thiel, Jered Tuberville, and Bobby Rohrkemper, 1:45.67.

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Hospital to Hold Open House

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Internet surfers should be wary of medical information

From the University of Michigan Medical Center

A new study done at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center concludes that although vast amounts of good information can be found on the World Wide Web, inaccuracies do exist and Internet surfers must carefully consider the source and age of the text.

Medical consumers are more knowledgeable and involved in their own care than they used to be, thanks in part to the Web. However, while the Internet is a wonderful tool to search for medical information, individuals need to screen the information for its reliability.

Health care providers agree that an informed patient is a better patient.

"An informed patient is a patient who's more interested in being involved in their medical care, about making decisions with their doctor, and is more likely to adhere to the treatment that their doctor prescribes because they want to get better and they have knowledge that enables them to comply with the doctor's recommendation," explains Dr. J. Sybil Biermann, director of Orthopedic Oncology in the

U-M Health System.

"The Internet has become a very important part in the patient education process. Unfortunately, very little was known about what was on the Internet and how patients were accessing that information. Although there's been quite a bit of discussion, there's been very little quantitative data."

Biermann and colleagues looked at medical information about a particular disease on the Internet in a systematic way, approaching it as a patient would, using search engines and narrowing topics to filter the information.

Overall, the investigators found pretty good information. But they also found some very serious misinformation, including mortality and survival rates, types of tumors and outdated information regarding diagnosis of the disease.

There are a multitude of sources for medical information, from chat rooms to sources from renowned medical institutions, and everything in between. That is good, Biermann says, but it also means that the responsibility for filtering the information, assessing the credibility of sources and choosing what to believe

is up to the individual doing the search.

Another source of concern, Biermann says, is the availability of prescriptions or prescription medications directly through the Internet.

"Prescription medicines are just that: prescription medicines," she says. "Such medications need to be regulated due to contraindications or drug interactions, and individuals taking them need to be monitored by a physician. Internet prescriptions are, in general, a fairly dangerous practice."

The Internet, Biermann says, is a very powerful tool — but one that should be looked at as one option.

"It is not the be all, end all and it's not the definitive source," she said. "Patients really can benefit from using the Internet at virtually any phase of their treatment. It even has very helpful information for preventative medicine. Still patients need to recognize the Internet is only a tool where they can obtain information from — information that will then be interpreted in the context of their own health care, by their physician or health care provider."

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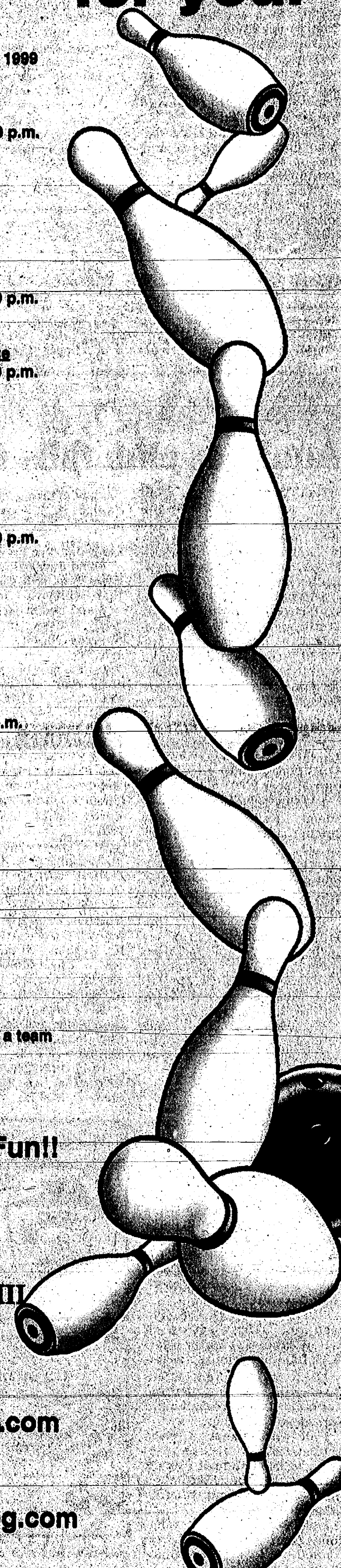
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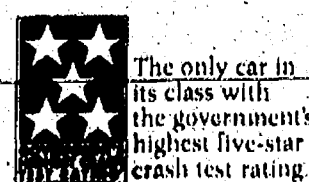
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Soap Box Racing Volunteers

Cub Scouts and their parents participated in the building and racing of derby cars as part of the annual Soap Box Derby held Aug. 14. Pictured, back from left, are Dan Cozart, Jeff Hall, Patty Cozart, Jill Thompson, Carl Thompson, Stephanie Herrlinger, Theresa Herrlinger, Bill Herrlinger, Kristy Bell (Den Mother), Todd Bailey, Nancy Bailey and Kathleen Bailey. Also pictured are Cub Scouts Alex Herrlinger, Bobby Hall, Jacob Bell, Kyle Cozart, Douglas Bailey and Christian Thompson.



Soap Box Derby Winners

Cub Scout Pack 478 help to host a Soap Box Derby in front of St. Joseph-Catholic Church in Dexter Aug. 14. Cub Scouts from packs 478, 442 and 447 participated, using cars they made themselves. Pictured from left are derby winners Matt Logan (third place), Taylor Biallas (second place) and Larry Gunderson (first place). Logan is in Pack 478, Biallas is in Pack 442 and Gunderson is in Pack 442.

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A daughter, Hallee Jo, Aug. 6, to Robert and Jodi Bergman of Jackson. Maternal grandparents are Bill and Donna Ramsey of Ann Arbor. Paternal grandparents are Steve and Kristine Bergman of Chelsea. Maternal great-grandparents are Joseph and Bonnie Pustay of Ann Arbor. Paternal great-grandparents are Gladys Buck and Alice

Bergman of Chelsea

A son, Nathan Daniel, July 6, to Joanne and Vaughn Mills of Chelsea. Maternal grandparents are Bob (Mindy) Brown of Gregory and Penny Smedley of Lyndon Township. Paternal grandparents are Fred and Neta Mills of Chelsea. Nathan is the brother of Matthew and Mitchell.

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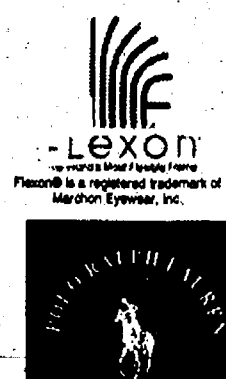
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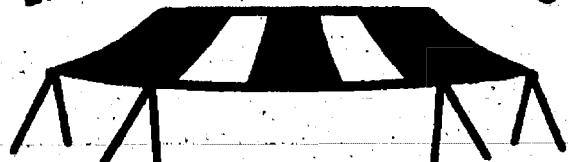
There is a pressing question as to if the early church used instruments in their congregations is often unclear and misleading, and it would require a greater understanding of Biblical languages to seek the correct answer. As Christians, we are to follow the Biblical truth, and speak where the Bible speaks, and be silent where it is silent. So what has the Bible commanded us to do when it comes to singing in worship? We should:

1. Sing as Jesus sang (Mt 26:30; Mk 14:26)
2. Sing everywhere as Paul and Silas sang in prison (At 16:25)
3. Sing with understanding of song (1 Cor 14:15)
4. Sing with melody in our hearts (Eph 5:19)
5. Teach and admonish through singing (Cl 3:16)
6. Sing with a merry heart (Js 5:13)
7. Sing as a congregation (Hb 2:12)
8. Praise God in singing (Rm 15:9)

Although the OT commanded the people to use instruments, it was never repeated in the NT, and this should lead us to question this. But remembering always that God sees the heart:

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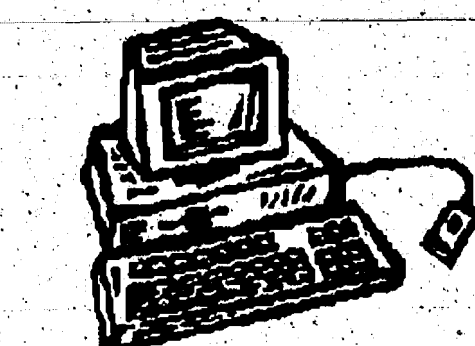
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Farm economy in holding pattern

The farm economy remains in a holding pattern, as producers, farm groups, agribusinesses and legislators continue to bounce around ideas and plans to pull sagging commodity prices out of the cellar.

The issues and solutions are as widespread as the problem. And it's not limited to just producers.

Recently, DuPont laid off 800 workers from its \$2 billion crop protection business, citing the farm economy as the culprit. The downsizing is expected to save the company \$200 million annually. The cuts were immediate, but company officials declined to say if they would be permanent.

"Farmers are having a tough time and we need to respond," said James Borel, president of DuPont's Crop Protection division. "We are taking this action now to make sure we are as efficient and streamlined as possible and to build a good base for when the ag-business comes back."

While the rest of the county is enjoying a healthy economy, many farmers are wondering if that rebound is on the horizon.

Unfortunately, the forecast is not all that good.

The bottom line is a need to sway supply and demand to create a profitable price. Several factors play a role in balancing the pendulum, which ultimately determines what farmers will put in their pockets.

Several legislative wheels are turning to correct the inefficient crop insurance program, create tax reform and supply short-term relief from farmers. Legislation has also been introduced that would modify the 1996 farm bill.

Michigan Farm Bureau, as part of the American Farm Bureau Federation, is calling for a \$9 billion Ag Recovery Action Plan, that would supply some much-needed short-term relief, while moving forward with long-term solutions.

International barriers, regulations and sanctions are another target. They have continually hurt U.S. farmers, who typically produce about a third more than Americans can consume.

Given 95 percent of the world's consumers are outside of the United States, "the answer is not in cutting United States production, but rather finding a home for these commodities," said Bob Boehm, Michigan Farm Bureau commodity and marketing department manager. "We can compete in the global marketplace, but we need access to those markets."

In order to expand Michigan's export potential, Boehm said that trade-distorting subsidies, which create unfair competition, need to be eliminated worldwide.

The recent \$116.8 million retaliation ruling against the European Union's ban on hormone-treated beef, is the latest move that may indicate a drive in the right direction.

The retaliation includes 100 percent tariffs on pork, beef,

Roquefort cheese, tomatoes, carrots, juices, soup, truffles, goose liver, onions and chocolate. The list is expected to impact several European nations and includes several different commodities.

World Trade Organization negotiations are slated to begin in late November. "We're hoping that many of these concerns will be taken up during that meeting and that real considerations are given to agriculture," Boehm said.

The USDA's recent announcement that it will buy 475,000 tons of wheat for donations to Bangladesh, Indonesia, the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua and other developing nations is another step to boost grain prices.

"U.S. farmers are hurting," said Dan Glickman, agriculture secretary. "Instead of sitting in grain bins, this surplus wheat will be sent to countries around the world where it will help feed people in need."

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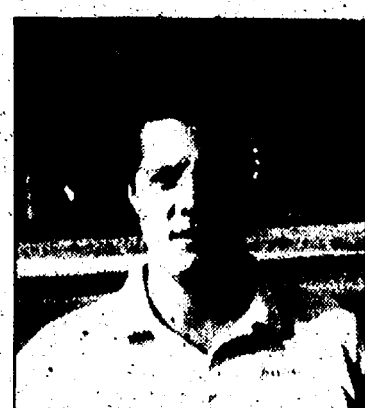
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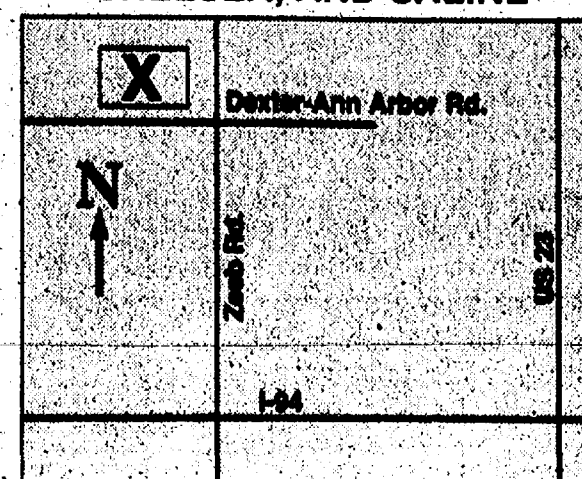


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Pesticide disposal sites set up across Michigan

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Clean Sweep, an effort between Michigan State University Extension, the Michigan Department of Agriculture's Groundwater Stewardship Program and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that began in 1994, collects unused and unwanted pesticides.

People may drop off containers at any of 12 locations throughout Michigan. The products are packaged by trained professionals and shipped to a disposal site, free of charge.

Some Clean Sweep programs will pick up large amounts of pesticides upon request.

According to Mike Staton, Berrien County MSU Extension agriculture and natural resources agent, two types of pesticides are usually collected: those that are discontinued and not longer legal to use and those that have deteriorated over time and, therefore, are no longer effective.

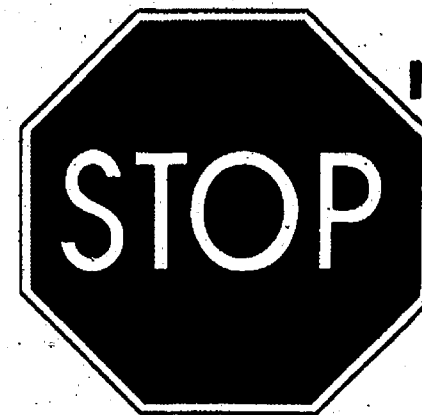
Staton helps organize a Clean Sweep program that serves Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties — an area that offered one of the first pesticide collection points in the state. Last year, the program collected nearly a ton of pesticides.

"We want to be able to take these products that growers are hesitant to use for one reason or another," Staton said. "We want to provide a very safe method of disposing those, and a very easy method."

Staton recommends that users check pesticide containers

for leaks or cracks before transporting them. "If the quality of the container is in question, we recommend that the growers overpack the product," he said.

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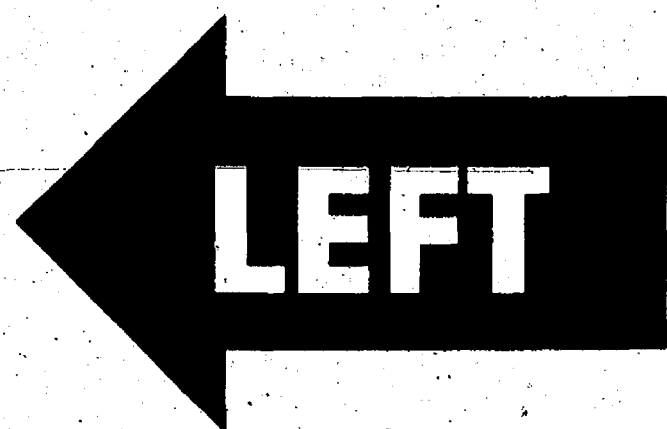
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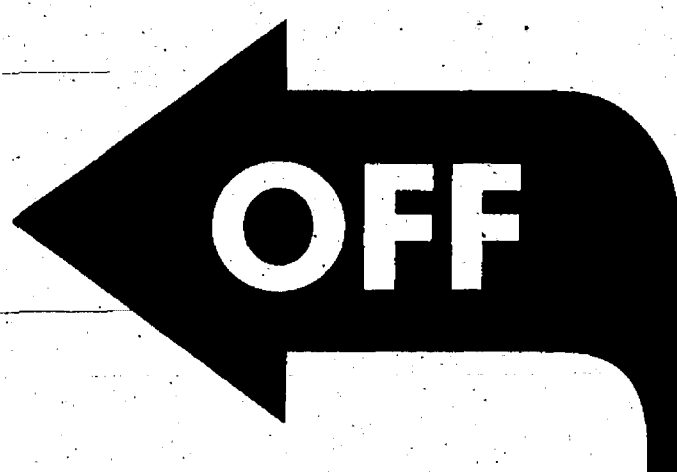
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88 Ford F-150 4WD, Xcab, grey
88 Ford F-250 4WD, reg cab, red
88 Ford F-250 4WD, reg cab, red
88 Ford F-250 4WD, Xcab, white
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88 Ford F-150 4WD, reg cab, red
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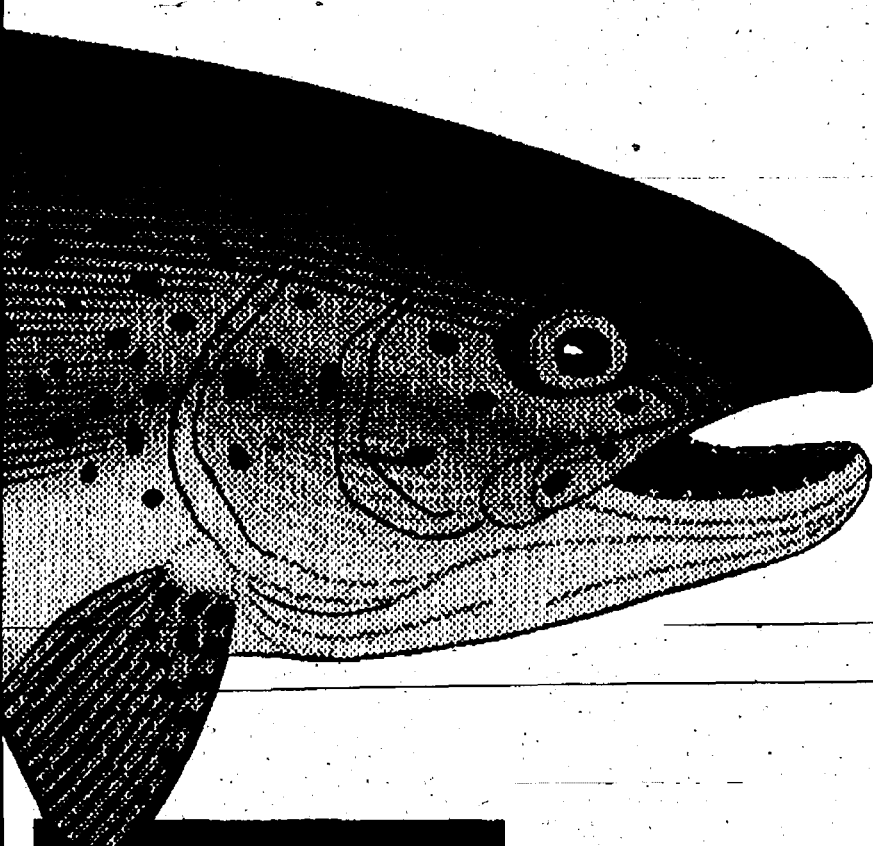
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CAMPAIGN

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the parade with him.

For Carter and Humenay, Bush and Rogers are the most electable candidates capable of articulating their own belief in smaller federal government, greater responsibility for local governments, lower taxes and free trade.

Finding a need to explain the value of these principles to a peer group that they believe misconstrues them, Carter and Humenay are considering forming a sub-group of the Young Republicans in Chelsea, through the auspices of the Western Washtenaw County Republican Group.

By necessity, this weekend project would take a back seat to their analogous political activities on the U of M campus, where the two will risk be considered an anathema in what is generally regarded a liberal stronghold.

The scorn may be felt more by Carter who will be entering his first year as a "minority" student. Humenay has already had a year in which to thicken her skin.

"I get heckled at U of M by my friends," Humenay said. "My roommate has a bumper sticker that says, 'Friends Don't Let Friends Vote Republican.'"

Humenay said the campus' liberal outlook, which she believes is shared by most of the faculty, has inadvertently made her a better student, as professors demand a more exacting

standard to justify viewpoints on paper and in discussion that are contrary to the prevailing wind.

Carter said he's looking forward to confronting the college's liberal orthodoxy both in one-on-one situations and — if his plans work out — as a student government representative for either the liberal arts college or for the entire student body.

Feeling like David against Goliath is a situation that Carter says he enjoys in what he describes as "sick way."

As a high school senior in James Bechtelheimer's government class, Carter looked forward to the times when his instructor would introduce a controversial subject like affirmative action and defer to him first by stating, "John, let's start with your opinion on the subject."

"It's like going to Yvonne's reunions where its us against 25," Carter said. "I feel satisfied when I can sway one person enough to at least say, 'You made a good point.'"

In keeping with the adage that the converted in the choir sing the loudest, Humenay, a relatively recent defector from a family of Democrats, comes across as a little to the right of Carter, who was raised in a more conservative environment.

Humenay said she started embracing conservative principles a few years ago when an emerging personal philosophy demanded her evaluating the one under which she was raised by her parents, Edward and Estelle.

Finances relating to her first

year at U of M helped cement the conversion.

"When I had to start taking care of my own finances and start taking care of myself, I started to feel that I didn't want to have to give my money away," Humenay said.

Unlike Humenay, Carter's background would appear to have lended itself more readily to producing a conservative disciple.

However, according to Carter, the philosophical affiliation had to be earned.

"My father was a conservative," Carter said. "He was asked a couple of times to run for mayor of Ann Arbor and for state senator. He always stressed that you should never base your political ideology on your family. He wanted me to discover it on my own."

Carter said that any offhand comment made by him that expressed favor toward a politician or a position was challenged by his father who demanded that he substantiate his support.

The late George Carter, who was an administrator at U of M, used to initiate political debates over dinner and encouraged his son to research questions that were purposely left ambiguous.

Carter describes his mother, Susan, as more moderate than was his father but "still a Republican."

Susan Carter works as a counselor at Chelsea High School. Her son said she still receives calls from former students who value her advice.

"I always joke that she was always more popular in that school that I ever was," Carter said.

When not fighting to overcome the resurgent federalism or recent political times, the couple worked toward non-political objectives.

Carter spent the summer working as an assistant to Dr. Philip Margolis at the Howard Hughes Medical Research Facility at U of M. His work includes progress toward a cure for Alzheimer's disease.

Carter will continue in this position when classes begin but is still unsure if this work will lead him to pursue a medical career or be peripheral to a business degree.

Humenay worked at the Silver Maples Retirement Community in Chelsea during the summer. When she resumes her class schedule, she will do volunteer work at Mott Children's Hospital at the U of M Medical Center.

Humenay's goal is to become a child psychiatrist — a niche in profession looked at with skepticism by many conservatives.

"I'm going to change that perception," Humenay said.

She also hopes to become involved with the yearbook staff, as she was at Chelsea High School.

Unlike Carter, Humenay expressed no direct interest in running for student government but said it would be impossible to rule out any involvement completely.

"John has a way of getting me sucked up into whatever he's doing," Humenay said.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Township Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 7, 1999 at 7 P.M. at the Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI 48118 to consider the approval of a Tax Sharing Agreement (the "Agreement") proposed to be entered into by the Township and the Village of Chelsea pursuant to the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, Act 7 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1967 (extra session), as amended, related to property described as follows:

Tax Identification #05-13-300-017 (PARCEL 9) (Chelsea Lumber Company) Commencing at the Southwest corner of Sanction 13, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; thence N 00 degrees 58'45" E 930.10 feet along the West line of said Section; thence N 87 degrees 50'55" E 418.13 feet; thence N 27 degrees 25'47" W 185.88 feet; thence N 05 degrees 07'32" W 150.20 feet; thence N 08 degrees 58'59" E 287.32 feet; thence N 17 degrees 50'55" E 349.58 feet; thence N 89 degrees 56'05" E 900.33 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 01 degrees 17'50" E 831.11 feet to a point on the East and West 1/4 line of said Section; thence N 89 degrees 38'10" E 1347.00 feet along said East and West 1/4 line to the Center of said Section 13; thence S 00 degrees 18'00" W 631.28 feet along the North and South 1/4 line of said Section and the centerline of Old Manchester Road; thence S 87 degrees 57'30" W 350.00 feet; thence S 00 degrees 19'00" W 225.19 feet; thence S 87 degrees 57'30" W 111.08 feet; thence S 00 degrees 19'00" W 3.50 feet; thence S 87 degrees 57'30" W 902.40 feet to a point on the West line of the East 1/3 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section; thence N 00 degrees 39'10" E 69.08 feet along said West line to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the East 1/3 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan and containing 25.51 acres of land, more or less. Being subject to easements and restrictions of record, if any. Also being subject to the rights of the public over the Westerly 33 feet of Old Manchester Road. Also being subject to and together with an 86 foot wide strip of land for the future road connection purposes having a centerline described as follows: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 13; thence S 00 degrees 58'45" W 43.01 feet along the West line of said Section to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 89 degrees 38'10" E 2681.71 feet to a point on the Westerly right-of-way line of Old Manchester Road, said point being the POINT OF TERMINATION.

At the public hearing any person wishing to be heard regarding the subject of the hearing will be heard. In addition, written comments received at or before the public hearing will be considered.

A copy of the Agreement may be obtained at the Township offices at 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, during regular business hours.

This notice is given pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

Date: August 26, 1999

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk

THORBURN

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to find the best in a child — to pull out their strengths," she says. "I am structured with them and hold high expectations in the classroom."

Thorburn's classroom rules are the same as the school's. She says respect is a major component and she expects students to behave appropriately.

Although she started out teaching older adults, it's at the elementary-school level where Thorburn says she feels most at home.

"Most of my special education experience has been with older populations," she says. "So I kind of saw myself as someone working with older people. But now I've found my niche. It has been a pleasant surprise."

What Thorburn says she enjoys most about teaching the younger students is their energy. She says it inspires her to do a good job.

"They really look at teachers and adults with an eagerness to learn," she says. "They really want to learn from you and they appreciate anything you do to show you care."

What Thorburn finds unique about Chelsea schools is the level of support for special education in the community. Whenever she needs donations for her students to do a special project, the business community lends a helping hand.

"I think that's unique," she says.

Other special qualities include what Thorburn describes as an outstanding teaching staff and an interview process that seeks out the most qualified teachers.

Highlights of her short career have come when students are successful or when she recognizes their growth over time.

A three-day camp wraps up the end of the school year and serves as a reward for her students. Thorburn calls this an annual highlight and says it's extra special because students have raised funds to go and have

met certain goals.

What Thorburn says she looks forward to in her career is improving the EMI program at South Meadows and getting her master's degree.

When she is not in the classroom, Thorburn can be found cheering on her husband, Loren, in a triathlon or training her new puppy, Bass. The couple reside in Stockbridge. Thorburn's husband is a high school

science teacher in Williamston. They are remodeling their three-bedroom house, which dates back to the late 1800s.

In addition to teaching, Thorburn coaches. She coached the freshmen softball team in 1997 and was one of four assistant coaches to the varsity softball team last spring. In the past, she has played recreational softball and has coached a summer league.

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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE WEBSTER TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT A SPECIAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1999 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL, 5865 WEBSTER CHURCH ROAD, DEXTER, MICHIGAN, TO CREATE A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT. THE PURPOSE FOR THIS DISTRICT IS TO PROVIDE IMPROVED FIRE & POLICE PROTECTION FOR THE PROPERTY AND RESIDENTS OF WEBSTER TOWNSHIP.

THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ARE AS FOLLOWS:
ALL REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AND ASSESSED IN WEBSTER TOWNSHIP. Any persons having objections to the creation of the special assessment district must either attend the hearing or file their objections in writing with the Township Clerk prior to the hearing date.

Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services to attend or participate in this hearing, should contact the Township Office at (734) 426-5103, Monday - Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Reasonable advance notice is required.

Wana M. Baldus,
Webster Township Clerk

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING - AUGUST 3, 1999, 7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Sylvan Township Board was held August 3, 1999 at 7 P.M. in the Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI.

The following board members were present: Supervisor Dresselhouse, Clerk Koch, Treasurer Grau, Trustee Heller and Trustee Lesser.

Also present Richard Steele, Ray Steinbach, Don and Steve Trinkle, Charles Burgess.

Minutes for the July meeting were approved as presented.
Motion by Heller, supported by Grau to pay bills as presented. Carried.
Don Trinkle was present to discuss a fire bill. This bill was sent to John Miles, 8839 Warner Rd., Saline, Michigan for a brush fire at 20727 Scio Church Rd. Trinkle leases this property from Miles for farming. After discussion regarding this incident the Board suggested to Trinkle to look into his insurance coverage and return at the September 7, 1999 meeting.

Richard Steele, Village Council President was present to discuss the Tax Sharing Agreement between the Village and the Township. Steele presented to the Board with clean copies and informed them of the Village's public hearing. The Township will hold its public hearing September 7, 1999.

Zoning Inspector Burgess reported 13 permits issued in July.
Supervisor Dresselhouse reported on the Relocated M-52, Chelsea Area Fire Authority and the Chelsea Area Planning Team.

Trustee Heller asked for discussion regarding creating our own Building Department. Request township contact surrounding communities to appoint a representative and set up a meeting to discuss. Motion by Lesser, seconded by Koch to appoint Heller as the representative for Sylvan Township. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Grau to amend the budget for the special election. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Grau to accept the protocol presented for the tolling the ball in the lobby. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Lesser to approve the text change in Special Use to add a new subsection N to allow funeral establishment, mortuary, and delete existing parking space requirements for funeral homes and mortuaries and insert "one space for each 3 chapel seats". Carried.

Motion by Koch seconded by Lesser to approve the merger between AT&T and Media One as it relates to Cable TV. Carried.

Mike Rybka from the Chelsea Standard publically apologized for the misprint in the paper regarding the Open House.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Grau to enter close session to discuss real estate matters at 8:15 p.m.

Returned to open session at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Koch to adjourn.

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk

Newspaper wants guest editorials

The Dexter Leader would like to see more opinion in the newspaper.

We are interested in spotlighting the views of local residents in a guest editorial column. If you're interested in taking an in-depth look at an issue and presenting your viewpoint, please submit a written proposal to The Dexter Leader, 20750 Old US-12, Chelsea, MI 48118 or fax it to (734) 475-1413. If possible, we would like you to include your photograph or we can take one for you.

For more information please call the newspaper at (734) 475-1371.



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VILLAGE OF DEXTER ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Village of Dexter strives to produce the best quality drinking water possible. The purpose of this report is to provide you with information about your drinking water. The report explains to you where your water comes from and the treatment it receives before it reaches your tap. The report also lists all of the contaminants detected in your water and an explanation of all violations in the past year.

Your drinking water comes from two wells located off of Central Street. The wells are 80 and 110 feet deep, drilled into a mixture of clay and glacial till.

The water from each of the wells is pumped to the city's iron removal plant on Central. Air is introduced to the water to oxidize the iron in the water so it can be filtered. Air also strips out hydrogen sulfide, a naturally occurring contaminant and has a foul odor, and volatile organic chemicals that are in our ground water supply due to industrial contamination. (See note on page 3.) After air stripping, the water passes through a series of sand filters to remove iron and any suspended solids in the water. The water is disinfected to kill harmful bacteria.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about the contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Dexter's water supply comes from ground water. As water travels through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. These include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, livestock and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be natural or may result from storm runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production and farming.
- Organic chemicals, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also originate from gas stations, storm runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive substances, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general populations. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of the infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

(If you would like more information about your water, or copies of this newsletter, please call the Dexter Water Utilities at 426-4572.)

WATER QUALITY DATA

Each year, the Village is required to sample the drinking water for various contaminants. In 1998, the Village conducted over 540 tests on over 76 contaminants. The table below lists all contaminants that were detected. The state allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than annually because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to change frequently. The most recent results of these tests are also included in the table.

Terms and Abbreviations:

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLG as possible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk.
- Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- ND - not detected
- N/A - not applicable
- ppm - parts per million or milligrams per liter
- ppb - parts per billion or micrograms per liter

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Dexter Water	Range of Detection	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
Inorganic Contaminants							
Copper	AL=1.3	1.3 ppm	.47 ppm	0 of 10 were above action level	9/11/98	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Fluoride	4 ppm	4 ppm	.4 ppm	N/A	3/25/98	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate	10 ppm	10 ppm	.6 ppm	N/A	3/25/98	No	Fertilizer runoff, natural deposits
Sulfate	N/A	N/A	30 ppm	N/A	3/25/98	N/A	Naturally present in environment
Volatile Organic Contaminants							
Tetrachloroethylene	5 ppb	0 ppb	.6 ppb	ND - 13.5 ppb	1998	No	Discharge from dry cleaners
Trichloroethylene	5 ppb	0 ppb	0 ppb	ND - 1.7 ppb	1998	No	Discharge from dry cleaners
Unregulated contaminants							
Dichlorodifluoromethane	N/A	N/A	0 ppb	ND - 1 ppb	1998	N/A	EPA required monitoring
Freon (trichlorotrifluoroethane)	N/A	N/A	0 ppb	ND - 7 ppb	1998	N/A	Used in refrigeration

Copper results list the number of samples that exceeded the action level, rather than the range detected. Lead and Copper testing is done every three years. Lead was not detected in the Dexter water supply.

* This is an unregulated contaminant and thus there is no MCL associated with it. Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine whether there is a need to regulate that contaminant.

* No contamination was detected in the processed water that Dexter customers received. The contamination was in the raw, unprocessed ground water only.

Failure to Sample Violation: The Village of Dexter failed to sample for volatile organic contaminants in the fourth quarter of 1998. Samples were taken in 1999, and public notice of the sampling violation was published in the Dexter Leader.

Other chemical tests made by the Village: The Village of Dexter tested and detected no microbial contaminants, lead, nitrite, or radionuclides in our water supply. Other commonly asked questions for the village is about the levels of the following chemicals:

Chemical name	Health Limit	Dexter Water	Sample Date	Typical Source of Chemical
Chloride	No	94 mg/L	3/25/98	Present from salt runoff, natural deposits
Iron	No	.1 mg/L	3/25/98	Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium	No	69 mg/L	3/25/98	Present from salt runoff, natural deposits
Hardness	No	340 mg/L or 20 grains	3/25/98	Erosion of natural deposits

About the industrial contamination of our wells:

The present wells which have been in service since the 1930's are contaminated by dry cleaning by products. It is thought that this came from a dry cleaning plant that was in business during world war II and the early 1960's. The volatile organic chemicals did not reach Dexter's well supply until 1995. These chemicals are removed from the raw water through air stripping. The level of contaminants has been well below the health limits set by the EPA.

Dexter is committed to improving its water supply remove any possibility of contamination to its customers. Two new wells have been constructed behind Dexter Chevrolet, in ground water aquifers free from contamination. After the construction of new water pipe to the Dexter Filter Plant, these new wells will be put into service, and the old wells retired.

IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS CONCERNING THESE VIOLATIONS, PLEASE CALL THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER AT 426-4572 OR THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AT 517-780-7875.

THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER COUNCIL MEETS ON THE 2nd AND 4th MONDAY OF THE MONTH, ABOVE NATIONAL CITY BANK ON MAIN ST. GET INVOLVED!

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1999 9 A.M. UNTIL 12 NOON FOR SPECIAL ELECTION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1999

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Sylvan Township
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 18027 Old US-12 to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,

You must amend your registration record.

Election is being held to vote on the following propositions:

CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall taxes be assessed against taxable property in the Chelsea District Library District, County of Washtenaw, Michigan, in an amount not to exceed One Dollar and Seventy Five cents (\$1.75) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) (1.75 mills) of the Taxable Value on all taxable property in the Chelsea District Library District as a charter millage for the period of years beginning with the December 1, 1999 levy and ending with the December 1, 2019 levy, in order to provide library funds for the Chelsea District library? If approved and levied in its entirety in the first year following authorization, this millage would raise an estimated \$906,889 for the library.

YES ☐ NO ☐

BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the Chelsea District Library, formed by the Village of Chelsea, the Township of Dexter, the Township of Sylvan, the Township of Lyndon and the Township of Lima, Washtenaw County, borrow the sum of not to exceed Six Million Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$6,290,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds for all or a portion of that amount for the purpose of renovating, equipping, expanding, and furnishing the existing library building and acquiring and improving the site therefor?

YES ☐ NO ☐

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of August 16, 1999, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Washtenaw County	.25 mill (parks)	1988-future
	.25 mill (parks)	1988-2006
	.25 mill (HCMA)	1941-2000
	.02 (drains)	Indefinite
Sylvan Township	1.16 mill (charter)	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.25 mill (charter)	1988-future
	.7 mill	1987-future
	1.0 mill	1991-2000
		(renewed for 2001-2010)
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	.85 mill	1997-2006
	2.0 mill	1982-future
	1.5 mill	1987-future
	.12 mill (fixed op.)	Indefinite
Chelsea Public Schools	18.0 mill (non-homestead)	1994-2013

Published in compliance with Section 498 of Michigan Election Law and MCLA 211.203(3) being part of Michigan Property Tax Limitation Act.
Date: 8-16-99

If you have a proposition, you must print the proposal as it will appear on the ballot.

LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

Applications are being accepted for the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Commission. Please send resume to LuAnn S. Koch, Sylvan Township Clerk, 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI 48118.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP
LuAnn S. Koch, Township Clerk

WEBSTER & SCIO TOWNSHIPS LOCH ALPINE SANITARY AUTHORITY COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that the regular Quarterly Meeting of the Loch Alpine Sanitary Authority of the Townships of Webster and Scio is scheduled. The meeting will be held on:

September 1, 1999 at 8:00 p.m.

In the
WEBSTER TOWNSHIP HALL, 5685 WEBSTER CHURCH ROAD
DEXTER, MICHIGAN 48130

LOCH ALPINE SANITARY AUTHORITY
Neil Geri, Chairman

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES!

DEXTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 1999, 7:30 P.M.

Present: Robert Tetens, William Eisenbeiser, Harley Rider, Libby Brushaber
Absent: Julie Knight
Place: Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd.
Meeting called to order by Supervisor, Robert Tetens.
Moved by Brushaber, supported by Rider to approve the agenda. Carried.
Moved by Brushaber, supported by Rider to approve the minutes of the July 20, 1999 meeting. Carried.
Planning Commission - Libby Brushaber - August 24 Mobil Mart site plan. The agricultural district will be studied.
Clerk's Report - Preparations are being made for the October 5, 1999 special election.
Ordinance Administrator - Harley Rider - Report submitted.
Portage Lake Sewer - Brushaber - There will be a Portage Lake Sewer meeting September 8.
Sheriff's Report - Sgt. Toth - July report submitted. Crashes have decreased since June 7 noise complaints. WWRA - Donna Terhune - Was unable to attend the last meeting.
Moved by Eisenbeiser, supported by Brushaber to appoint John Shea to the Planning Commission to replace William Milam, the term to expire December 31, 2000. Carried.
Moved by Brushaber, supported by Eisenbeiser to adopt the personnel policy of Dexter Township as corrected in the August 12, 1999 draft. Carried.
Moved by Eisenbeiser, supported by Rider to have a special meeting of the Township Board September 21, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. Carried.
Moved by Eisenbeiser, supported by Brushaber to authorize the supervisor to prepare and mail recycling letters and approve the payment of up to \$1500. Carried.
Moved by Rider, supported by Brushaber to approve William P. Estes' request for a Zoning Board of Appeals fee refund of \$300. Carried.
Moved by Brushaber, supported by Rider to approve a Municipal Investment Fund Trust and Agency Agreement with National City Bank of Michigan/Illinois. Carried.
Moved by Brushaber, supported by Eisenbeiser to approve and submit a tax rate of 9302 mills to be levied December 1, 1999 in Dexter Township. Carried.
Moved by Rider, supported by Brushaber to pay the bills as submitted, totaling \$102,480.47. Carried.
Moved by Brushaber, supported by Rider to adjourn the meeting. Carried.
Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
William Eisenbeiser, Clerk
Dexter Township

DEXTER DISTRICT LIBRARY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the Budget Hearings of Local Government Act (PA 43 of 1963) the Dexter District Library Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the 1999 - 2000 Budget on Monday, August 30, 1999.
This hearing will take place at 7:00 p.m. and be held in the meeting room at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. in Dexter. This hearing is open to the public. Copies of the budget are available at the Library for inspection.

Sincerely,
Paul McCann
Library Director

LYNDON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 1999 AT 7:00 P.M. AT
LYNDON TOWNSHIP HALL, 17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD,
CHELSEA, MI 48118

AGENDA:

1. An application for a Variance from the Private Road Ordinance by Vern J. Parks, 3529 Coon Road, Gregory, MI 48137.
 2. Board may consider other matters as deemed necessary.
- Written comments may be sent to: Lyndon Township Clerk, Janis Knieper, 17301 M-52, Chelsea, MI 48118.
- The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids or services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing.
- Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Lyndon Township Board by writing or calling: Janis Knieper, Clerk, 17301 M-52, Chelsea, MI 48118 or phone 313-475-3686.
- A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the clerk.

LYNDON TOWNSHIP
Janis Knieper, Lyndon Township Clerk

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, September 2, 1999
Sylvan Township Hall - 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI 48118

AGENDA:

- 7:30 p.m. - a variance request has been received to erect a sign at 3100 Pleier Dr. and read front, rear and side yard setbacks.
 - 7:45 p.m. - a variance request has been received to build a deck to the existing structure and need a variance for lot area, lot width, lot coverage, rear yard and side yard at 72 Cavanaugh Lake Rd., Chelsea, MI 48118.
- Written comments may be sent to Linda Hahn, Secretary, Zoning Board of Appeals, 20232 Scio Church Rd., Chelsea, MI 48118.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the American With Disabilities Act (ADA).
The Sylvan Township board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 14 days notice to the Sylvan Township Board.
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LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk
18027 Old US 12
Chelsea, MI 48118
475-8890

A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the Clerk.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP
LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk

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LIMA TOWNSHIP LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1999 8 A.M. UNTIL 12:00 NOON FOR SPECIAL ELECTION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1999

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Lima Township
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 10411 Dexter-Chelsea Rd., to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,

You must amend your registration record.

Election is being held to vote on the following propositions:

CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN

SPECIAL ELECTION
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER: Mark a cross (X) or a check (✓) in the square to the right of the word "YES" or "NO".

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YES ☐ NO ☐

CHELSEA AREA FIRE AUTHORITY PROPOSITION:

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for the Chelsea Area Fire Authority by 1.25 mill (\$1.25 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for the period of 1999 through 2006, inclusive, for the operation of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority and the provision of fire, emergency rescue, and related services within the municipalities of: Waterloo Township, Jackson County; Lima, Lyndon, and Sylvan Townships, Washtenaw County; and the Village of Chelsea, Washtenaw County; and shall the Authority levy such increase in millage for such purpose during such period, which increase will raise in the first year of such levy in the above municipalities an aggregate estimated amount of \$637,000.00.

YES ☐ NO ☐

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT

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Date: 8/20/99

Arlene R. Barels, Clerk

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TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Lyndon Township
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118 to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,

You must amend your registration record.

Election is being held to vote on the following propositions:

CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall taxes be assessed against taxable property in the Chelsea District Library District, County of Washtenaw, Michigan, in an amount not to exceed One Dollar and Seventy Five cents (\$1.75) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) (1.75 mills) of the Taxable Value on all taxable property in the Chelsea District Library District as a charter millage for the period of years beginning with the December 1, 1999 levy and ending with the December 1, 2019 levy, in order to provide library funds for the Chelsea District library? If approved and levied in its entirety in the first year following authorization, this millage would raise an estimated \$906,889 for the library.

YES ☐ NO ☐

BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the Chelsea District Library, formed by the Village of Chelsea, the Township of Dexter, the Township of Sylvan, the Township of Lyndon and the Township of Lima, Washtenaw County, borrow the sum of not to exceed Six Million Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$6,290,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds for all or a portion of that amount for the purpose of renovating, equipping, expanding, and furnishing the existing library building and acquiring and improving the site therefor?

YES ☐ NO ☐

CHELSEA AREA FIRE AUTHORITY PROPOSITION:

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for the Chelsea Area Fire Authority by 1.25 mill (\$1.25 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for the period of 1999 through 2006, inclusive, for the operation of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority and the provision of fire, emergency rescue, and related services within the municipalities of: Waterloo Township, Jackson County; Lima, Lyndon, and Sylvan Townships, Washtenaw County; and the Village of Chelsea, Washtenaw County; and shall the Authority levy such increase in millage for such purpose during such period, which increase will raise in the first year of such levy in the above municipalities an aggregate estimated amount of \$637,000.00.

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of August 18, 1999, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lyndon Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Washtenaw County	.25 mill (parks)	1988-future
	.25 mill (parks)	1988-2006
	.25 mill (HCMA)	1941-2000
	.02 (drains)	Indefinite
Lyndon Township	1.16 mill (charter)	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.25 mill (charter)	1988-future
	.7 mill	1987-future
	1.0 mill	1991-2000
		(renewed for 2001-2010)
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	.85 mill	1997-2006
	2.0 mill	1982-future
	1.5 mill	1987-future
	.12 mill (fixed op.)	Indefinite
Ingham Intermediate School District	4.75 mill (charter)	Indefinite
	1.4 mill (charter)	Indefinite
Chelsea Public Schools	18.0 mill (non-homestead)	1994-2013
Stockbridge Public Schools	18.0 mill (non-homestead)	1995-2004

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Date: August 17, 1999

Janis Knieper, Clerk

DEXTER TOWNSHIP-PRECINCT 2 CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT & PRECINCT 3 - PINCKNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1999 8 A.M. UNTIL 1:00 P.M. FOR SPECIAL ELECTION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1999

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Dexter Township in Precinct Two Chelsea School District and Precinct Three in Pinckney School District.
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,

You must amend your registration record.

Election is being held to vote on the following propositions:

EXHIBIT A OFFICIAL BALLOT

CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN

SPECIAL ELECTION
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER: Mark a cross (X) or a check (✓) in the square to the right of the word "YES" or "NO".

LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL

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YES ☐ NO ☐

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YES ☐ NO ☐

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Washtenaw County	.25 mill (parks)	1988-future
	.25 mill (parks)	1988-2006
	.25 mill (HCMA)	1941-2000
	.02 (drains)	Indefinite
Dexter Township	1.16 mill (charter)	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.25 mill (charter)	1988-future
	.7 mill	1987-future
	1.0 mill	1991-2000
		(renewed for 2001-2010)
Chelsea Public Schools	.85 mill	1997-2006
Dexter Community Schools	18.0 mill (non-homestead)	1994-2013
	18.0 mill (non-homestead)	1995-2014
	3.0 mill (non-homestead)	1999-2013
Dexter Library District	.5 mill	1994-Indefinite
Livingston Intermediate School District	1.5 mill (charter)	1974-Indefinite
	1.81 mill	1988-Indefinite
Pinckney Community Schools	18.0 mill (non-homestead)	1999-2001

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Date: Aug. 26, 1999

If you have a proposition, you must print the proposal as it will appear on the ballot.

William Eisenbeiser, Clerk

HOUSES OF WORSHIP

CHELSEA Assembly of God
First Assembly of God
14900 Old US-12, Chelsea
(734) 475-2815
Rev. James Massey, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Noon fellowship
dinner, followed by prayer
& bible study.

Chelsea Christian Fellowship
337 Wilkinson St.
(734) 475-8305
John Dambacher, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.;
Worship Service, 10 a.m.;
Evening Service 6 p.m.

Baptist
Faith Baptist
Faith-In-Action Bldg.
Main St., Chelsea
(734) 475-7841
Jack Story, Pastor
Sunday: Worship, 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

North Sharon Baptist Church
17999 Washburne Rd., Grass Lake
(734) 428-7222
Bobby D. Toler, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service,
7 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Catholic
St. Mary Catholic Church
14200 Old US-12, Chelsea
(734) 475-7561
Rev. Dr. William J. Turner, Pastor
Sunday Masses:
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, 8 and 10 a.m.
Weekday Mass: 9 a.m.
Confessions: Saturday, 12-1 p.m.

Church of Christ
Church of Christ
13661 E. Old US 12, Chelsea
(734) 475-8458
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;
Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.;
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m.

Church of the Nazarene
Church of the Nazarene
805 W. Middle St., Chelsea
(734) 475-2526
Jeff Crowder, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;
Worship, 11 a.m.
Wednesday: Small groups, 7 p.m.
in homes.

Episcopal
St. Barnabas
20500 Old US-12, Chelsea
(734) 475-8818
Rev. Dr. Jerrold Beaumont
Sunday: Christian Education, 10
a.m.; Services, 10 a.m.
Wednesday: Services, 8:30 p.m.

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

Lutheran
Faith Evangelical (WELS)
9575 North Territorial, Dexter
(734) 426-4302 or 426-8442
Rev. Mark Porinsky, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.;
Worship, 10 a.m.

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

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

Zion Lutheran
3050 S. Fletcher Rd., Chelsea
(734) 475-8064
David Hendricks, Pastor
Sunday: Informal Outside Wor-
ship, 8 a.m.; Traditional Worship,
9:15 a.m.

Methodist
First United Methodist
128 Park St., Chelsea
(734) 475-8119
Rev. Richard Duke
Rev. Peggy R. Garrigues-Cortelyou
Sunday: Summer Hours Worship,
9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. All services
to be held in Grooms Hall at the
church.

Manchester United Methodist
Church
1 Ann Arbor Road, Manchester
(734) 428-9495
Rev. Dave Mulder

North Lake United
14111 North Territorial Rd.
(734) 475-7569
Rev. Wayne Hawley, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;
Worship, 10:30 a.m.;
Fellowship, 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Bible Study, 7:15 p.m.;
Choir, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

Chelsea Retirement Chapel
805 W. Middle St., Chelsea
(734) 475-8633
Rev. J. Gordon Schleicher
Sunday: Worship service, 9:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

Mt. Hope Bible Church
12884 Trist Rd., Grass Lake
(517) 522-8182
Joseph O'Neill, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.;
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Prayer Fellowship, 7
p.m.

New Life Christian Center
Call for Location

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DEXTER
Catholic
St. Joseph Catholic
Fourth and Dover Streets, Dexter
(734) 426-8483

Rev. Brendan Walsh, Pastor
Saturday: Weekend Liturgy, 5 p.m.
Sunday: Liturgy, 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and
12 noon. Nursery open 10 a.m.-
noon.

Episcopal
St. James
3279 Broad Street, Dexter
(734) 426-8247
Rev. David J. Horning
Sunday: Holy Eucharist, 8 a.m. and
10 a.m.; Nursery and Sunday
School, 10 a.m.

Lutheran
Faith Lutheran (WELS)
9575 N. Territorial Rd.
(734) 426-4302
Mark Porinsky, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.

Peace Lutheran
6105 Jackson Rd., Birchwood
Plaza
313-930-2324
Rev. Larry Courson
Sunday: Worship/Communion 8:30
a.m.; Education Hour 9:45 a.m.;
Celebration, 11 a.m.;
Good News Class, 6 p.m.

Methodist
Dexter United Methodist
7643 Huron River, Dexter
(734) 426-9480
Rev. William Donahue, Sr. Pastor
Rev. Fred Finzer, Associate Pastor
Sunday: Worship, 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Presbyterian
Covenant Presbyterian
5171 Jackson Rd., Dexter
(734) 761-1999
Rev. Mark Vanderput
Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;
Refreshments 10:20 a.m.

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(734) 475-1147
Erik Hansen, Pastor
Sunday: Worship, 11 a.m.
St. Vladimir Orthodox
9900 Jackson Road
(734) 761-7311
Rev. Father Paul Karas
Sunday and Holy Days: Divine lit-
urgy, English and Slavonic, 10 a.m.

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

First Presbyterian Church
On the Square in Stockbridge
M-52 and M-106
1-888-784-8128
Sunday: Worship, 10 a.m.
(For July and August)
Wednesday: Worship, 6:45 p.m.

Quaker
Michigan Friends Center
7748 Clark Lake Road, Chelsea
Isabel Bliss
(734) 475-9876
Sunday: Unprogrammed meeting
at 10 a.m., first Sunday of each
month; all other Sundays, 5:00
p.m.

United Church of Christ
Bethel Evangelical
10425 Bethel Church Rd.
(734) 428-8000
The Rev. Richard Hardy

First Congregational-Chelsea
121 E. Middle St.
(734) 475-1844
Rev. David Cleaver-Bartholomew
Sunday: Informal worship, 8 a.m.;
Church school, 9 a.m.;
Traditional worship, 10 a.m.

St. John's (Roger's) Corners
12378 Waters Rd., Chelsea
(517) 458-7661
Rev. Nancy M. Doty, Pastor
Sunday: Sunday School and
Worship, 9:30 a.m.

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

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

LORENE JONES
Chelsea
Formerly of Bronson
Age 92, died late Wednesday,
Aug. 18, 1999, at the Chelsea Re-
tirement Center, where she had
been a resident since 1986. Jones
was born September 30, 1906, in
Bethel Township, the daughter of
Newell and Minnie (Stone)
Quimby and was a lifelong Bron-
son resident. She attended Eastern
Michigan Teachers College and
graduated from Western
Michigan Normal Teachers Col-
lege (now Western Michigan Uni-
versity).

Jones married John "Jack"
Jones on June 25, 1944, in Bethel
Township. He died in 1968. She
was a lifelong member of the First
United Methodist Church in Bron-
son and the former Show Prairie
Methodist Church.
Jones was a Sunday school
teacher of the United Methodist
Church Homebuilders class for
many years, and was a school-
teacher for over 36 years in the
Bronson, Coldwater and Kalama-
zoo school districts and also the
Branch County Rural schools. She
was a member of the Michigan
Education Association (MEA), the
Michigan Association of Retired
School Personnel (MARSP) and its
Branch County chapter, the
Branch County Retired Teachers
Association, as well as the AARP.
She was an avid reader and loved
to teach.

Surviving are her stepson,
Dorwin Buck Jones of San Fran-
cisco, Calif.; her stepdaughter-in-
law, Clova Jones of Ann Arbor;
four stepgrandchildren; and nine
great-grandstepchildren. She was
preceded in death by her step-
daughter Norma Jean Baldwin
and two grandchildren.

Funeral services celebrating
the life of Lorene Jones were held
Saturday, Aug. 21, at the First
United Methodist Church in Bron-
son with the Rev. Mona Joslyn and
the Rev. Charles Richards officiat-
ing. Interment followed in Snow
Prairie Cemetery. Arrangements
were made by Staffan-Mitchell
Funeral Home.

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

The Webster United Church of
Christ
5494 Webster Church Rd., Dexter
(734) 426-5115
LaVerne M. Gill, Pastor
Sunday: Holy Communion, 8:30
a.m.; Church School, 9:15 a.m.;
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

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

Our youth need to know God has plan for them



REAL ANSWERS

From the moment they
walked into my classroom the
day after the Colorado shoot-
ings, my students wanted to
talk. I didn't need to push
them to voice their opinions;
they were eager to speak.

One teenager said, "I feel
like war has been declared on
my generation." Another
pointed out, "A third of my
generation has already been
killed by abortion and another
third or more endangered by
violence, alcohol or drugs." They
wanted to talk about why.

The stories from Colorado
demolished the stereotype of
an angry, underprivileged kid
lashing out at the system, or of
a gang member taking re-
venge. These killers appar-
ently were bright young men
of upper middle-class fami-
lies. So easy answers no
longer work.

Overwhelmingly my stu-
dents pointed to parents. Par-
ents, who are supposed to be
their children's primary care-
givers for the first two decades
of life, instead leave them
more and more to their own
resources. Some meaning well
but not quite knowing how to
care for them, will park their
children in front of a televi-
sion that assaults their minds
with violence, sex and profan-
ity. Some who say they care
won't find time to read with
their children or, later on, talk
together at dinner, attend
parent-teacher conferences.

DEATHS

Henderson is survived by his
wife, Diana L. (Markham), whom
he married on January 15, 1968.
Also surviving is his father of Sun
City Center, Fla.; his mother of
Long Boat Key, Fla.; three daugh-
ters, Kerry (Edward) Brosnan of
Chelsea, Amy L. Henderson of
Ann Arbor and Sara E. Henderson
of Orlando, Fla.; and two grand-
children, Collin Henderson and
Katlyn Brosnan. Also surviving
are two brothers, Lew Henderson
of Bradenton, Fla.; and Jim
Henderson of Dexter; and a sister,
Lynn McDonough of Bradenton,
Fla.

Funeral services were held
Monday, Aug. 23, at Staffan-
Mitchell Funeral Home with the
Rev. Kenyon Edwards officiat-
ing. Burial was in Mount Hope
Cemetery in Waterloo. Expres-
sions of sympathy may be made to
the Chelsea Center for the Devel-
opment of the Arts.

GARY L. CLINANSMITH
Gregory

Age 46, died Aug. 18, 1999, at
his home. He was born July 9,
1953, in Salem Township, the son
of Ken and Ione (Ploof) Clinans-
mith. He had lived in Gregory for
the past 10 years, moving from the
South Lyon area.

Clinansmith was the safety
representative for the Chrysler
Corporation in Chelsea for more
than 20 years. He was the assis-
tant fire chief in South Lyon and

Unadilla Township and belonged
to Local UAW 1282 in Chelsea.
Favorite pastimes were riding
Harleys and watching his grand-
children grow up.

On May 11, 1990, Clinansmith
married Gail L. Swoveland in
Farmington Hills, and she sur-
vives. Also surviving are his par-
ents of Texas; three children, Ken
and Kaitlin Clinansmith of Un-
adilla and Vanessa (Mike) Grie-
senbeck of California; two step-
children, Kevin (Cathy) Nichols of
Chelsea and Shawn (Mark) Shep-
herd of Gregory; one sister; four
brothers; five grandchildren; and
several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held
Aug. 20 at the Caskey-Mitchell
Funeral Home in Stockbridge,
with the Rev. Mearl Bradley of
Chelsea Free Methodist Church
officiating. Burial followed at Wil-
liamsville Cemetery in Unadilla
Township. Expressions of sym-
pathy may be made to St. Joseph
Mercy Hospital Cancer Ward or
Livingston County Hospice.

JAMES PENDORF
Dexter

Died Aug. 12, 1999. He was the
father of Alyssa and Leah Pendorf
of Dexter. Private services have
been held. Memorial contribu-
tions may be given to "For Benefit
of Pendorf Girls" C/O Great Lakes
Bank, 8081 Main St., Dexter, MI,
48130.

JOHN L. "JACK" HENDERSON
Ann Arbor
Formerly of Chelsea
Age 56, died Thursday, Aug. 19,
1999, at St. Joseph Hospital. He
was born June 3, 1943, in Ann Ar-
bor the son of John R. and Ruth
(Eskilsson) Henderson. Jack was
employed at Toyota-Ann Arbor for
17 years. He enjoyed walking,
physical fitness and being in the
sun.

Henderson loved and raised
Morgan Horses. He also had a
great love for the arts and a deep
appreciation for classical music.
He graduated from Eastern
Michigan University, where he
had a leading role in one of their
theater productions. His greatest
love was his family.

My students laughed at the
professionals who wanted
more resources spent on men-
tal health care for teenagers.
"What are they gonna do?"
asked one. "Bring in all the
kids who dress in black trench
coats and tell them they need
a counselor? The ACLU would
have a heyday with that."

It seems all that is dark in
our society just gets darker.
Violence on TV, in movies and
video games seems to get ug-
lier, more real, more brutal.
Suicidal, dark music lyrics
and fascination with the occult
grows among teenagers; it
played a part in the lives of
the two killers in Colorado.
But all of this, too, is just a
sign of something deeper.

The killers' diaries indi-
cate that the blackness of
their hearts was mirrored in
the dark culture they hung out
with: the heavy, hate-filled
music, all-black clothes that
were their trademark, the gory
video games, the Nazi sub-
culture they toyed with. All
added up to a potential prob-
lem but no one—not even their
parents recognized the signs.

This generation of children
has lost its hope. At the root,
at the very bottom of it all,
there is a terrible, dark, gnaw-
ing sense of hopelessness in
teenagers that many caregiv-
ers—parents, teachers, coun-
selors—are helpless to an-
swer.

Children are taught apathy
by parents too busy to get in-
volved in their children's
lives. They are instructed by
media to push the limits on
violence and profanity. They
are drawn into death cults that
offer a refuge from judgmental
peer groups. As much as they
might want to, the government
cannot legislate against any of
this.

Ironically, the real answer

is pushed out of reach by the
very government which vows
to protect our children. The
answer lies amidst the few
who battle the growing dark-
ness, knowing that they don't
fight against flesh and blood,
but against a spiritual enemy
out to destroy youth. They of-
fer hope to the hopeless, little
rays of light amidst the gloom
and despair. But even their ef-
forts are squelched by a pow-
erful government system hid-
ing under a mythical banner
called "Separation of Church
and State."

Hopeless teens battling
against the growing blackness
in their hearts need to hear
from parents, pastors, teach-
ers, anyone brave enough to
say it—that there is a God who
says, "For I know the plans I
have for you, plans to prosper
you and not to harm you, plans
to give you hope and a future."
(Jeremiah 29:11)

There is a light that is
stronger than the darkness
into which they are sinking.
There is a God who will not
abandon them or leave them
to their own defenses, whose
promises are endless and full
of light and hope. Jesus said,
"I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will never
walk in darkness, but will
have the light of life." (John
8:12)

This is the message that to-
day's teenagers cry out for.
The lifeline must be extended
to each one regardless of how
he dresses, or what music he
listens to, or what socioeco-
nomic level his parents attain.
If it doesn't, the dark will con-
tinue to get darker, and more
innocent blood will spill.

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