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NEWS BRIEFS

Pastries for Parents set for Wednesday
 The South Meadows Elementary School PTO will host Pastries for Parents breakfast 7 to 8 a.m. Wednesday in the school cafeteria. Parents, grandparents and guardians of pupils are invited. Complimentary family photos will be taken.

Chelsea library to host children's author Monday
 Chelsea District Library will host children's author Tim Smith. "Buck Wilder" books will be available for \$12, and the author will autograph the books. The event is set for 6:30 p.m. March 12 at the library, 500 Washington St., Building 400. All ages are welcome and no registration is required. For information, call 475-8732.

Discovery Center program slated Sunday
 Cinematographer and lecturer Allen King will present and narrate his film on the great northern prairies and wetlands, including wildlife photography. The program, which costs \$2 a person or \$5 a family, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday at the Gerald E. Eddy Discovery Center on Bush Road in the Waterloo Recreation Area.

Chelsea Area Garden Club to meet Monday
 Chelsea Area Garden Club will meet 12:30 p.m. Monday at Chelsea United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Master Gardener Jai McFall of Milan, a landscape designer and nursery owner, will present "Creating the Garden You Desire."

CAP to present 'Steel Magnolias' tonight
 Chelsea Area Players production of "Steel Magnolias" opens tonight at the Chelsea Fair Grounds. Tickets are available for tonight's dinner theater performance, which will be at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$25. Dessert theater performances are set for 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Cost is \$15. Evening performances for Friday and Saturday are sold out. Tickets are available at Chelsea Pharmacy or for more information see the Chelsea Area Players' Web site at www.ChelseaAreaPlayers.org.

Super Seuss Staff



Chelsea Schools Superintendent Ed Richardson (left), Beach Middle School Principal Bill Wescott and South Meadows Elementary School teacher Beth Newman donned their "Cat in the Hat" hats and celebrated the March 2 birthday of Dr. Seuss by reading to pupils.

Snow squalls cause chaos

Local fire departments respond to crashes.
 By Sheila Pursglove
 Staff Writer

After a pleasant, sunny weekend, March came back with a vengeance, catching this area on the fringe of the nor'easter blasting the eastern seaboard.

By late Monday afternoon, a line of snow squalls alternating with blue skies caught motorists in a bizarre and unpredictable weather pattern.

At 4:30 p.m., the Washtenaw County Emergency Management Division put out a traveler's advisory on the emergency alert system.

"Unfortunately, because of the temperatures and the amount of snow, conditions deteriorated very quickly," said Denise Wirtz, executive secretary at Washtenaw County Emergency Management. "After that, we continued to monitor the situation and dispatch answered questions and provided backup."

"This is Michigan and this time of year we can have weather changes very quickly. It was a mess out there."

Chelsea Fire Department was in the thick of it right from the start.

"At 4:30 p.m., the bottom fell out of everything with whiteout conditions and slick roads," said Steve Jaskot, an assistant fire chief at the Chelsea Area Fire Department.

But firefighters were more than willing to help.

"Several of our on-call volunteers were leaving work at the time Monday's squall hit and radioed in to ask if they were needed," Jaskot said.

Chelsea stalls police decision

Additional officers may be needed.
 By Will Keeler
 Staff Writer

Area residents will have to wait a little longer for the Chelsea Village Council to make a decision about police services for Lima and Sylvania townships.

Village Manager Jack Myers and Police Chief Lenard McDougall presented the cost projections for consideration to Village Council trustees and township officials at the Village Council meeting Feb. 27.

Officials came to the meeting hoping the council would extend police service to the townships.

However, Village President Richard Steele said that he would rather wait and vote on the issue when a full board is present.

According to the proposed plan, village police could offer one officer for \$108,000 for the first year and \$108,500 for the second year. This would not include mileage, which the townships would need to pay an additional 33 cents per mile.

These numbers are somewhat comparable to the county's, said Sylvania Township Clerk LuAnn Koch.

Effective Jan. 1, 2002, the sheriff's department will end road patrol in townships that don't have contracts with the county.

If townships choose to contract with the county, it would cost them approximately \$109,000 for each full-time deputy. The cost includes salary, benefits, equipment, a patrol car and supervision.

The county would charge approximately \$71,000 for each deputy and pay about \$37,000 itself. County officials need to know by July 1 whether the townships plan to contract with the county for police services.

Koch said that even though she has some of the tentative numbers from the Chelsea Village Council she was hoping that the council would have voted on the proposal.

Koch presented these numbers to the community at a public hearing Tuesday night.

Township residents came to the public hearing as a result of surveys that were mailed to homeowners last month.

Koch said that she mailed more than 1,100 surveys to township residents asking them what type of police coverage they would like to have.

Some of the options include:

- Three officers for seven days a week, 16 hours a day.
- Two officers for five days a week, one day and afternoon shift.
- One officer for five days a week, one day and afternoon shift.

As of March 1, Koch said that only 20 percent of the surveys were returned.

"Of the 223 returned surveys, See POLICE — Page 5-A

Changing hats New director takes over county parks

**By Lisa Allmendinger
 Staff Writer**

Since the early 1970s, Robert Tetens has watched the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Department grow and wondered what it would be like to be at the helm.

On Monday, he got the opportunity to find out as the new director.

"I watched the parks department evolve and always thought it would be a challenging position," he said.

For the last 15 years, Tetens has been the executive director of the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti Urban Area Transportation Study Committee. He had previously worked in the county planning department.

Last Friday, Tetens bid farewell to a job in which he was well respected by his peers and known throughout the state for his ability to oversee millions of dollars in transportation projects.

When he walked through the door of the county parks and recreation department on Monday, he brought with him a plan for the future.

"I'd like to think I can bring the same level of enthusiasm and community involvement that Fred (Barkley) did for 16 years," Tetens said.

"My first priority is a seamless transition and to maintain the high quality of low-cost services and recreational opportunities for the people of the county."

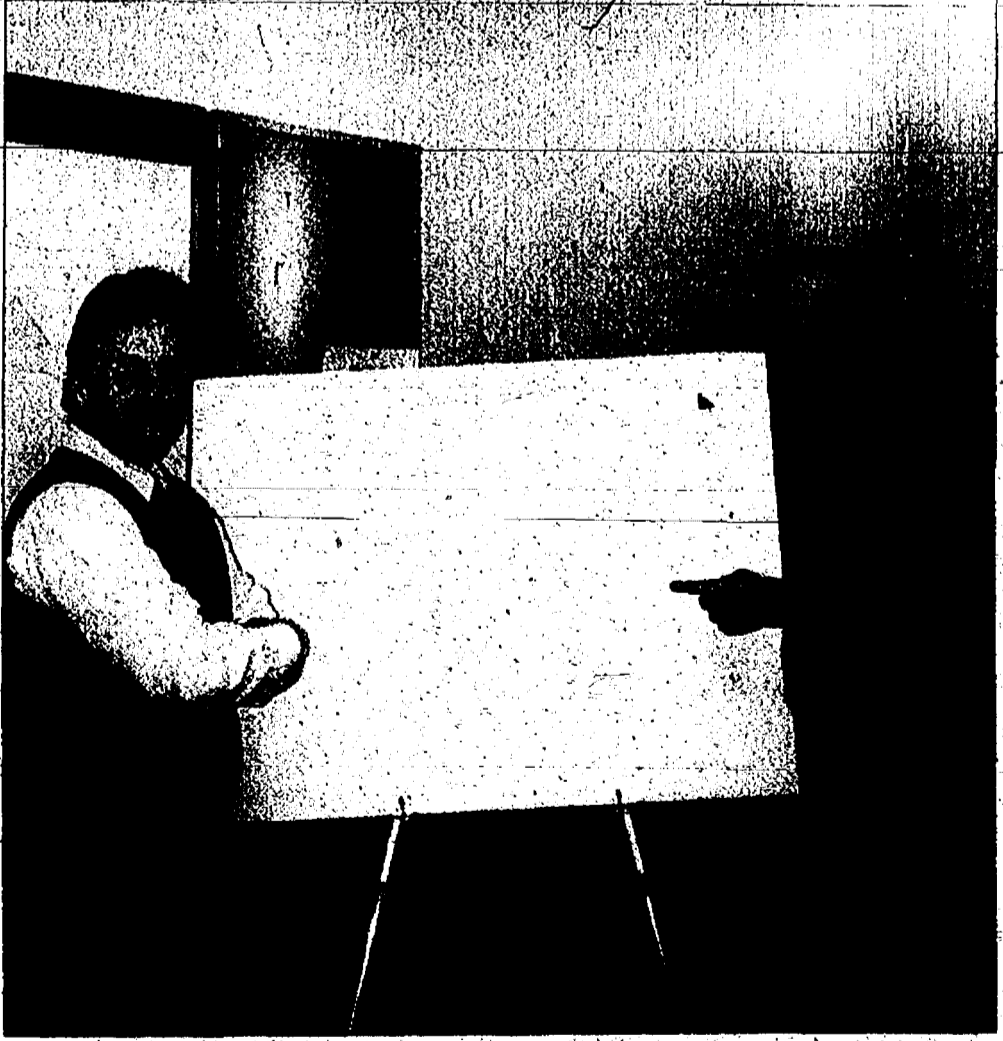
Tetens succeeded Fred Barkley, a Sylvania Township resident whose most well-known local project was the development of Pierce Lake Golf Course in Chelsea.

Barkley said he was pleased to hear Tetens, who has been recognized by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments and the Metropolitan Affairs Council for outstanding leadership, was named to the position.

"I was very happy when I learned that Bob had been selected by the commission to replace me as director," said Barkley, who just returned from his first official act of retirement — a month's vacation in Arizona.

"I've known Bob both professionally, and as a friend, for over 20 years, and I have tremendous respect for his abilities. I know that the future of the Parks and Recreation Commission is in good hands," Barkley said.

Tetens, a 48-year-old certified planner, is politically popular and savvy. The voters of Dexter Township have twice re-elected him as their supervisor.



Robert Tetens began his new job as director of Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Monday. He is pictured looking at the blueprints for renovations at Pierce Lake Golf Course, with Parks Commission Chairman Jimmie Maggard.

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Seasonal cycles

Chelsea Police Department looks to add two motorcycles to its fleet

By Will Keeler
Staff Writer

Warm weather brings more than just picnics and festivals. It also brings police officers patrolling on motorcycles.

The Chelsea Police Department is hoping to add two more motorcycles to its current fleet of four in the coming months.

"We will be returning the four motorcycles that were leased last year and get six new ones," said Police Officer Dennis Hall.

Hall said that the four motorcycles, which are primarily used during the warmer months, were leased last year from American Harley-Davidson, 5436 Jackson Road. He said that he anticipates the new ones arriving in the village within the next month.

"It's great having these bikes because it makes maneuvering through traffic a lot easier," Hall said.

He said when most people see an officer on a motorcycle, they tend to feel more comfortable approaching, and children love them.

"When you are in a patrol car, people see the car as a barrier," Hall said.

However, the startup costs for any program are typically high, whether it's a car or a motorcycle.

Hall said that these costs



The Chelsea Police Department hopes to be patrolling the area this spring on six new motorcycles. The department will return the four leased motorcycles to the Ann Arbor Harley-Davidson dealership in the coming months for the new bikes. Pictured with the bikes in the front are officers Rodney Schneider (left) and Tom Gilbreath. In the middle row are Officer Phil Boham (left) and Sgt. Scott Sumner. In the back row are officers Dennis Hall (left) and Norm Payton.

would not infringe upon the taxpayer, though.

Hall said that Harley-Davidson has a lease program for

police departments, which makes them more affordable. He said that the motorcycle company offers new bikes to police

departments for a dollar per lease year.

With the help of local businesses and the low-cost lease,

Hall and other Chelsea officers were able to make their plan of patrolling the area on motorcycles within reach.

The new bikes were not equipped with the additional items the officers needed, like the sirens and lights, which cost some \$800 to add on.

Hall said that local businesses were very generous. Hall raised more than \$6,800 for the additional items.

The other items included helmet microphone attachments and decals and graphics for the bikes.

Hall said whatever equipment was added to the bikes is completely transferable to the new bikes.

However, officers had to foot the bill for such other items as helmets, boots, jackets, gloves and eye protection.

Hall said that each officer was also required to attend a week-long training program. Officers used vacation time to attend the training exercises and paid the \$750 cost of the program.

Hall said that he was also thankful that Harley-Davidson offered a maintenance-training program for the bikes.

Three officers attended the daylong training and learned about the maintenance skills necessary for the upkeep of the bikes.

But with any success, Hall said, comes drawbacks. He said that the radio systems on the motorcycles are less than adequate for the safety of the officers.

Officers use portable radios between the main station and their bikes, and sometimes the reception is poor.

Hall and others hope to raise money to purchase radio equipment that is designed for motorcycles.

Those who are interested in donating to the radio fund can contact the Chelsea Police Department at 475-9122.

Staff Writer Will Keeler can be reached by telephone at 475-1371 or via e-mail at wkeeler@hcs-itage.com.

"It's great having these bikes because it makes maneuvering through traffic a lot easier."

— Dennis Hall
Chelsea Police Officer

Complaints continue over cable service

■ Local family drops cable for satellite service.

By Lisa Allmendinger
Staff Writer

Charter Communications promised to change its customer-service practices at a recent Dexter Township Board meeting.

Township officials grilled both the general manager and the operations manager during the Feb. 20 meeting.

But regardless of what the cable company promised or what it does in the future to improve its image, it won't have Jill and Scott Redmond as customers.

"I was so mad when I read your story, my blood pressure went through the roof," Jill Redmond said, referring to last week's article about the township's frustration with Charter Communications.

"We just assumed it was us. No one else around here seemed to have any problems," she said.

Redmond said she went 60 days without cable, trying to amuse two young children in the family's Stofor Road home.

Once the family was finally hooked up last August, Redmond said despite repeated calls the company didn't come back to bury the cable.

"We had to move the wire every time we wanted to mow the yard," she said.

Redmond said she called Charter, Communications four times a day for four weeks.

"It was my daily ritual. No one even answered the phone. My husband had to go there to get anything done."

When Redmond said she got so fed up with the company that she wanted the service shut off, even that took two months to accomplish.

"I never got anyone in the office. I was always transferred," she said.

Last December, the Redmonds had had enough. They bought a satellite dish, had it installed on their roof and then purchased five receivers.

"Some things you value.

Cable is one of them," she said. "It's pathetic what they've done."

Although they haven't had service since December, the cable wire still runs across the walkway to their front door, across the landscaping, the grass in their front yard and into the woods.

"The only thing that comes on time with this company is the bill," Redmond said.

Representatives from Charter Communications did not return phone calls seeking comment.

The township offices now

have forms available for customers to fill out about any problems they might be having with their cable service.

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STRAIGHT FACTS

A headline in last week's newspaper should have said: "Bristle and Carlson marry."

A story in last week's newspaper about the impact of a new condominium development on the Wilkinson Street Drain should have quoted Melva French as saying, "One of the ditches near my house was about 8-feet wide."

No matter how hard we try to avoid mistakes, sometimes they happen anyway. When that occurs, we rely on our readers to let us know about them. So, please help. To request a correction, e-mail Editor Michelle Rogers at editor@chelseastandard.com or call 475-1371.

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Lima considers police options

Officials looks at contracting with sheriff's department, Chelsea police or forming own police force.

By Kent Ashton Walton

The Lima Township Police Service Review Committee provided the Lima Township Board with details of police service options Monday.

John Edwards and Vince Spade, members of the township's Police Service Review Committee, gave the board copies of a letter to be sent to Lima residents explaining the options available to the township.

The letter says that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners will end the sheriff's department's general road patrol after Jan. 1.

The Lima Township Board appointed the committee to look into alternatives available when the county ceases to provide protection to municipalities that do not choose to contract for law enforcement services with the sheriff's department.

Lima Township does not contract for law enforcement services, but has traditionally received responses to 911 calls compliments of the county general fund.

Committee members said funding for police services may

require the establishment of a special assessment district in the township to fund road patrol. Chelsea Village currently taxes and provides police services for properties within its boundaries.

According to the committee, for each \$100,000 of taxable value, the cost for providing police services to properties outside the village could range between \$150 and \$250 per year, depending on the option selected and the number of officers required.

The Police Service Review Committee outlined four policing options for the township. The first and least expensive option is to rely on the Michigan State Police. This option would require no special assessment district funding. But the committee said that there are 31 troopers assigned to Washtenaw County.

Since the state police's primary responsibility is interstate system patrol, it is anticipated that this option would result in the longest response time for emergency service calls. There also would be no response for non-emergency calls.

The second option is to band with other municipalities and contract with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department. The sharing of services between, Lima, Lyndon, Sylvan and Dexter townships would determine the number of police ser-

vice units required. It is estimated that five units would be needed to provide total daily coverage to the four townships, each unit costing \$71,781 a year. The county would chip in an additional \$37,000 for each unit.

The Lima Township Board estimated that the municipality currently requires approximately 25 hours of services a week.

So far, no agreement has been reached with the other three townships to utilize the sheriff's department for police services. The townships have until July 1 to notify the county of their plans.

A third option is for Lima Township to contract with Chelsea Village. It would cost approximately \$117,000 a year to provide 20 to 25 hours of coverage a week, including mileage. An additional \$20,000 a year would provide community policing services.

The final and most expensive option would be to establish the township's own police force. It would require implementation in two stages.

Initially the township would utilize the services of the Michigan State Police, the sheriff or the village. The cost for this stage would be approximately \$300,000 a year for 24-hour police coverage.

Each subsequent year, it would cost approximately \$230,000. If the provision of ser-

vice is split between state and township policing, the cost could be reduced by about \$50,000 annually.

The Lima Township Board and the Police Service Review Committee will hold a public meeting 10 a.m. March 24 at the township hall to discuss the options and gather public input.

In other business, the board voted to table a motion to support the Chelsea Area Regional Plan as a guide for the township master plan. The board will revisit the issue March 26.

Board members said they needed to determine if the area plan would protect Lima Township from having to provide for all zoning categories. The board also wants to consult with the township attorney on the zoning issue before considering the plan further.

The board also voted to deny rezoning property south of Fletcher Road near the I-94 interchange from agricultural to commercial. The County Planning Commission backs the decision.

The reason for the denial was that the township's master plan designates the area as agricultural and the rezoning is inconsistent with the County Land Use Policies that designate the area as "important agricultural lands."

The site also includes wetlands, woodlands and groundwater recharge areas.



Feline Principal

Beach Middle School Principal Bill Wescott dressed up as the famous feline "Cat in the Hat" and joined in the fun on March 2 at South Meadows Elementary School, celebrating the birthday of Dr. Seuss.



Financial Feline

Jim Novak (left), executive director of business and operations for Chelsea School District, joined South Meadows Elementary School teacher Laura Holdsworth in celebrating the March 2 birthday of Dr. Seuss. Novak joined other administration staff in reading to pupils.

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POLICE

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145 of the surveys were asking for service 24 hours a day, seven days a week," Koch said.

According to the village proposal, Lima Township is looking at one village officer that would be on call 20 hours a week and would be available to respond at any time.

"The sheriff's department said that on average we consume about 20 hours a week, and that is the information we gave to the village to base such services," said John Edwards, a member of the Police Service Review Committee.

Edwards said he and the committee are still in a phase where they are looking at all possible options. However, he said that

contracting with the village would be a good idea.

"We have a good relationship with the village and they are close in proximity," Edwards said.

If Lima Township was to contract with the village, he said that he would hope the village and Lima Township would both benefit.

Edwards said that his committee plans to send out letters to Lima Township residents in the coming weeks to invite them to a public hearing so the community and the committee can look at all of the options.

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JOHN HANSEN

AS THE DOME TURNS

The 2001-2002 session of the Michigan Legislature is well under way, and I'm really glad to be back. Actually, we're all back. Every sitting member of the Legislature who was eligible to run for re-election did so, and was re-elected.

There were 21 individuals who did not return because of term limits and a member of the same political party replaced each of them. So we have the same 58-52 Republican majority that we had last session.

The Republicans are actually one seat short now since one of their people, Rep. Janet Kukuk (R-McComb) County, died shortly after she was re-elected. Her seat will be filled shortly through a special election.

Both sides of the aisle have new leadership since both previous leaders could not return. The new Majority Leader and Speaker of the House of Representatives is Rick Johnson (R-LeRoy), a mild-mannered almost shy dairy farmer from mid-Michigan.

The Democrats elected as their leader 31-year-old Kwame Kilpatrick (D-Detroit), who has

been a public school teacher and recently passed the bar exam.

These two individuals really couldn't be much different on the surface, but together they have set an entirely different tone for the House of Representatives. The hate and nastiness of the last two years has been replaced with a level of cooperation that reflects much more positively on the institution.

The four individuals who represent Washtenaw County have moved up the influence ladder, with Rep. Gene DeRossett (R-Manchester) being appointed chairman of the Agriculture and Resource Committee.

Rep. Ruth Ann Jamnick (D-Ypsilanti) has been appointed the Democratic chairwoman of Local Government and Urban Policy.

Freshman Rep. Chris Kolb (D-Ann Arbor) has been appointed Democratic chairman of the newly formed Land Use and Environment Committee.

I have been appointed Democratic chairman of the K-12 Education Policy Committee and have been given a seat on the K-12 Appropriations Subcommittee, as well.

Prior to the enactment of term limits it would have taken all of us at least 10 years to attain these levels of responsibility.

After years and years of growth, the Michigan economy seems to have caught a case of the sniffles. There is little talk of further tax cuts and the governor's budget for 2002 is essen-

tially flat.

It does look like there may be some action in the area of manufactured housing. There seems to be some agreement that manufactured units are not paying their fair share of property taxes, but it doesn't look like there is going to be any change that would impact the size or location of the parks.

We get lots of calls from people in the Dexter and Chelsea area about specific pieces of legislation, and about problems with various branches of state government.

Our toll-free number is 1-888-326-JOHN or join the e-mail crowd at jphansen@house.state.mi.us. Feel free to contact us with your concerns.

State Rep. John Hansen has started his second term in the House of Representatives. He is the former superintendent of Dexter schools.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Grant Funds New Experiences

Pupils in teacher Amy Russell's World Cultures class at Bates Elementary School are enjoying trips around the world without leaving their chairs thanks to a mini-grant from the Educational Foundation of Dexter. Russell applied for a grant to enhance the classrooms library. New items include National Geographic magazines, an atlas and Carmen San Diego software. Enjoying a visit to Scotland with Russell are students Caroline Buckley (left), Tessa Stosick, Mike Ferguson and Caleb Mackinder. The foundation will raise more money for grants March 24 at Polo Fields Country Club when it holds a silent auction, the organization's only fund-raiser for the year.

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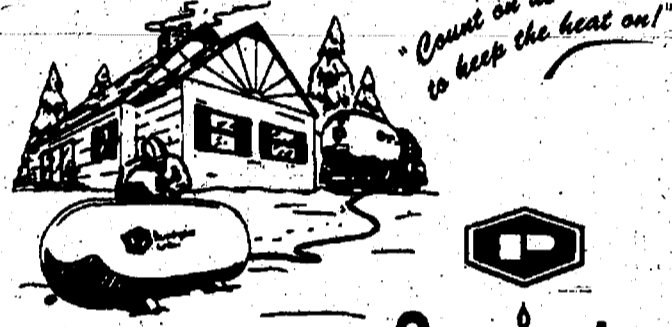
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By Sheila Pursglove

Staff Writer

"Have harpsichord, will travel." That could be Martha Folts' motto. Folts, minister of music and organist at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Chelsea, has now given her heart to harpsichord, a love she shares with concert audiences throughout the Midwest.

"I'd rather take my own harpsichord in the car than go to play an organ I've never seen before," Folts says. "It's a lot of schlepping the harpsichord around, but at least it's mine."

Folts enjoys interacting with her audience, pulling them into the quiet, elegant music of these historic instruments.

"People respond to the intimate settings, and I like to give them that musical experience," she says. "The non-organ keyboard music of Bach was written for harpsichord, and composers previous to Bach wrote for the plucked string instruments. The music of William Byrd, Couperin and Bach is just delightful."

A native of Cleveland, Folts was first introduced to the piano at the age of 5.

"My mother believed her children should play the piano, and I started imitating my older sister, Jane," she says.

Her early attempts were not a big success.

Local woman shares talent

"I had a very grumpy piano teacher who didn't have patience with a small child," she says. "I stopped for a while and returned to the piano when I was 8, and living in New Jersey."

Folts was steered into organ playing by her high school piano teacher. The time she was headed to Syracuse University, it was clear she would major in music. There she met her husband, Stephen, who was majoring in English.

Folts holds two degrees in organ performance. She has a bachelor's from Syracuse and a master's degree from the New England Conservatory in Boston.

A stint at Indiana University summer school piqued her interest in the harpsichord before graduate school.

"I later found a teacher at Brandeis University, near Boston, and studied harpsichord privately," she says.

That interest led to Folts' recent doctorate degree in harpsichord performance from the University of Michigan's School of Music.

"I've discovered the combination of work and pleasure is extremely satisfying with the harpsichord," she says. "While organ music is very grand and gratifying, no two organs are alike. You have to spend a lot of time getting to know each instrument."

"This often means practicing at late hours in deserted, dark buildings. I did it for years but didn't realize the effect it was having on me."

According to Folts, organs historically have been described as "raucous things."

"There's a story from the 14th century of an organ being fired up in a French church, and it was so loud people screamed, held their ears and ran out the door," she says.

Her most recent playing pleasure is a miniature, portable harpsichord she calls the "Tykesichord" for its diminutive size. It shares space in her historic Sylvan Township home with a Steinway piano and a larger double keyboard harpsichord designed from 17th century Flemish and German models.

World-renowned instrument maker Keith Hill of Manchester made both harpsichords.

"Keith is one of the finest harpsichord makers in the country, and he holds them in his shop, which is on his farm," Folts says. "He also has a small concert area with harpsichords, a clavichord and fortepiano."

"I was out there recording recently and geese, ducks and chickens were waddling by outside," she says. "Just as I was playing a tender piece on the clavichord, with a quiet, slow cadence, the geese and ducks went off outside the window. It was music for clavichord and quacks."

"My recording engineer went out to divert their path in another direction."

This is not Folts' first foray into recording, having previously recorded for the Musical Heritage Society and Delos labels.

Folts is now educating herself about the fortepiano, the 18th century predecessor of the modern piano.

Harpsichords flourished in their heyday of the 16th to 18th centuries in England, France, Holland, Germany and Italy.

"The Golden Age of these instruments in England was the Elizabethan court, with composers Orlando Gibbons, William Byrd and John

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Minister of MUSIC



Martha Folts, minister of music and organist at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Chelsea, performs concerts on the harpsichord and organ. Many have seen her around town with her large double keyboard harpsichord designed from 17th century Flemish and German models, and made by Keith Hill of Manchester.

Sports Night

High school TV crew wraps up season

By Sheila Pursglove

Staff Writer

The microphones are silent and the cameras still.

It's a wrap.

Last Friday, Chelsea Sports TV concluded its second season of taping boys' varsity basketball with the Bulldogs' game against Tecumseh.

"The Chelsea Sports TV production team works as hard as any professional broadcast crew I've seen," says Chelsea High School teacher William Coelius, who wears the hats of show producer and director.

Each student on his team has taken basic and advanced telecommunication classes, learning script and story writing, camera, lighting, sound operation and engineering, as well as on-air acting.

"What I love about the advanced class is that the kids have already learned basic production and done 10 projects, and there's a lot of different things to do," Coelius says. "They can then concentrate solely on production."

"It's a great opportunity to do this on a pretty professional level. The kids do a great job in organizing themselves, and are very proud when they produce a show."

Chelsea Community Education sponsors Chelsea Sports TV, a separate entity from the high school telecommunications class.

"Any junior or senior with an interest in this field is welcome to join us," says Coelius, who also runs Chelsea Video Camp for Chelsea Community Education.

"When juniors join us, their excitement just blossoms. Many college kids wouldn't do stuff like this until their junior year, or have facilities as professional as ours."

Friday night taping became a regular event at home basketball games when the season kicked off last December.

A couple of hours before each home game, the crew would gather in the telecommunication room at the high school to eat pizza and discuss the night ahead of them, while engineer Chris House started setting up graphics and commercials to air during the game.

Play-by-play announcer Chad Livengood and color commentator Kyle Schertzing planned their introductions, comments and halftime interviews in the week leading up to each game.

Following the pre-game meeting, the crew would haul their equipment into the gymnasium to record the night's action on the hardwood.

With one camera next to the announcer's table at the bottom of the bleachers, the other at the top, the TV crew was ready to record the game for the viewing pleasure of Chelsea residents.

Next season they hope to have more cameras. In

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The crew of Chelsea Sports TV is shown here, prior to the final boys' varsity basketball game against the Tecumseh Indians. Shown seated are play-by-play commentator Chad Livengood (left) and color commentator Kyle Schertzing. Standing behind them are cameraman Steve Sjostrom (left), engineer Chris House, cameraman Max Sprinkle, floor manager Steve Anthony and cameraman Matt Lussler.

St. Mary church to host performance

"Magdalene," a two-act portrayal of Mary Magdalene, will be performed 7 p.m. March 16 at St. Mary Church, 14200 Old US-12.

International award-winning actress Thelma Ann Jones, will portray the lead character, taking the audience back in time to Galilee and Jerusalem.

In 63 A.D., in the last hour of her life, Magdalene relives for

the people of her village in ancient Gaul her most profound and inspiring memories of Jesus, including the crucifixion and the resurrection.

A donation will be taken at the door for the cost of admission. For planning purposes, reservations should be made by March 12. Call 475-7581.

For information, call Cathy Guinan at 475-8164.

Senior craft show set for Saturday

Baked goods, potted plants, jewelry, ceramic and glass works, specialty food items, doll clothes, and a ton of other hand-crafts are all lined up for Saturday's Country Craft & Folk Art Show. The show will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

The show, a major fundraiser for the Chelsea Senior Center, features 100 juried craft and folk art artisans, and has a country-craft theme.

Among other items for sale will be lampshades, china paintings, paintings, woodwork, afghans, baby blankets, bonnets and booties, quilted items, and a Barbie or Beanie Baby house with matching sleeping bags.

Lunch and snacks prepared by Chelsea schools will be available, and dulcimer music and folk music will entertain visitors.

Admission is \$2 at the door, and children younger than 10 are free.

"The money we make helps pay our center's bills," said director Pat Kaminsky. "The seniors use the money made on the craft show to fund the center expenses, such as utilities and operating costs, supplies, mailing the monthly newsletter and supporting educational programs."

Kaminsky said the bake sale is always a sell out.

"People know our members are such great cooks," she said.

The show will also see the kick off of spring raffle ticket sales, which cost \$2 each or three for \$5.

There will be a drawing during the show for two handcrafted Easter bunnies and for a \$20 cash prize.

In addition, tickets will be sold for a drawing to be held during the May 18 Ma & Pa Day dinner for a framed watercolor painting, a quilt, an antique reproduction hatbox and three doilies.



Youth Symphony Players

The Michigan Youth Symphony Orchestra, an All-State group of high school musicians sponsored by the University of Michigan's School of Music, will present its second and final concert of the year 7 p.m. Monday at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor. The orchestra will present Dvorak's "New World Symphony." Admission is free. The group is made up of students from all over Michigan, who were accepted through auditions held last fall. There are eight students from the Chelsea Orchestra program, under the direction of Jed Fritzmeier, high school orchestra director, who will be attending the concert. Pictured in back are Levi Hyssong (left), Sarah Maynard, Katie Wheeler and Jennifer Williams. In the front row are William Sparrow (left), Mary Howling and Emily Dahlgren. Not pictured is Luz Silverio.



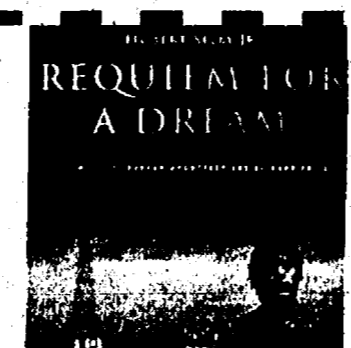
Erna Schutz, volunteer craft teacher at the Chelsea Senior Center, displays some of the items for sale or raffle at Saturday's 15th annual Country Craft Folk Art Show.

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The reading group meets at 10 am on March 1 ("A Prayer by Owen Meany" by John Irving), March 15 ("The Last Resort" by Alison Lurie) and March 29 ("The Lion's Game" by Nelson DeMille). All are welcome. Invitation to all new and existing reading groups: register at the Chelsea Little Professor for 20% off your monthly selection and 10% off all books.

Tuesday, March 13, 7 pm

"Life Goes On: Laughing and Crying My Way Through Divorce"

Author, Joseph Neely

Former businessman and educator, Joseph Neely, will share his experiences going through divorce — a sometimes unavoidable tragedy, not unlike a death or any other cataclysmic event in the life of a family. His essays combine inspiration with touches of humor. A book signing will follow. Neely is a divorced father of three children. He divides his time between Ann Arbor and Good Hart, Michigan.

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Audio problems plague council

■ Resident says televised meetings improving.

By Will Keeler
Staff Writer

Chelsea Village Council and the technical staff at the local government cable channel have been working to find solutions to the technical problems that have plagued many residents watching council meetings.

The staff at Channel 18 sets up the audio equipment before the meetings and is responsible for televising them.

In the past few months, village resident Jim Machnik has spoken to local officials about the poor quality he gets on his tele-

vision when watching council meetings.

"The picture is great, but it is very hard to hear what people are saying," Machnik said.

"I literally have to turn up the volume on my TV to hear anything."

Machnik said that people at a Village Council meeting need to clearly speak into the microphone.

"A lot of people in the audience will just address the council from their seats and you cannot hear them when it's televised," he said.

However, Machnik said that since he spoke to council members on Jan. 23, most have pulled their microphones closer to

them when speaking.

"I just watched the last meeting and I noticed that a lot of the council members are making a better effort," Machnik said.

Village Manager Jack Myers agreed that council members and the audience need to use the microphones so the audio system can pick up their voices.

Myers and Village President Richard Steele addressed the issue with the council last month after Machnik spoke and encouraged those who want to talk to the council to come to the microphone and speak clearly.

"There is no law stating that the council needs to televise these meetings, and we do our best with what we have," Myers

said.

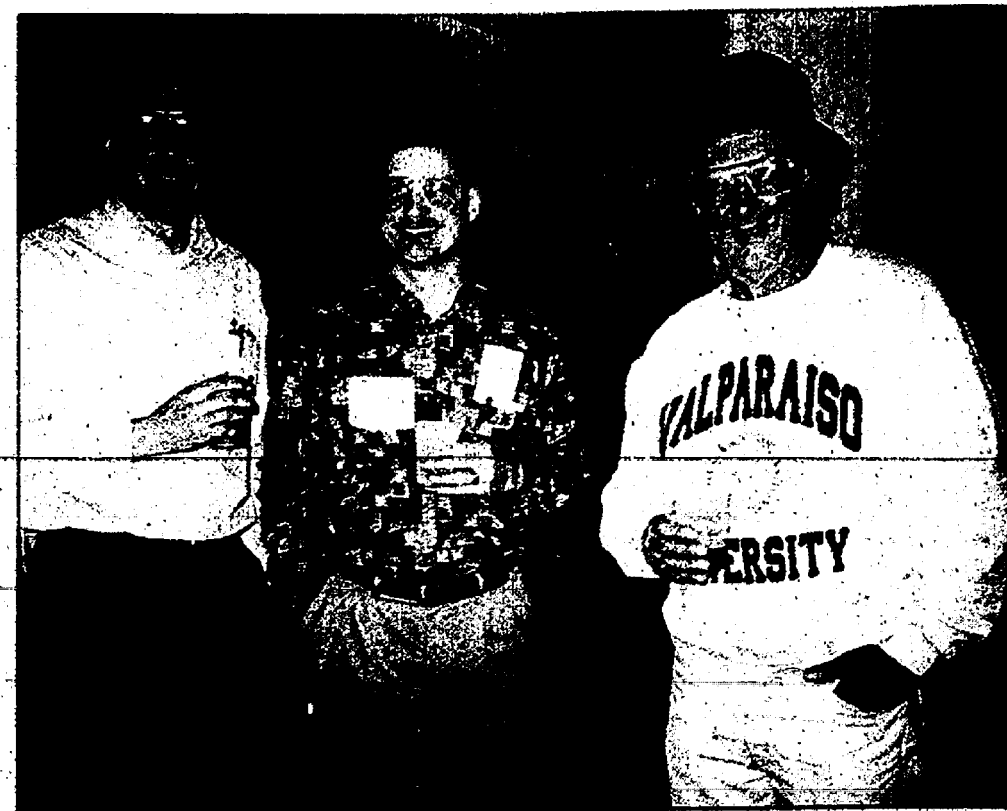
Alex Weddon, who sets up the audio system for the meetings, agreed with Myers and said that most of the equipment is new and that trying to improve the system would be costly.

"Good audio quality is the key but costs a fortune, and the village has spent a lot on the temporary system," Weddon said.

Machnik said that the quality of the televised meetings continue to improve.

"Having these meetings televised is a benefit for the entire community," he said.

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'McFun' Friends

Chelsea downtown merchants Mark Heydlauff (left), Mike Jackson and Fred Model share in some Irish spirits and conversation during last year's St. Patty's "McFun-raiser." This year's event, which will benefit the 2001 Chelsea Summer Fest, is set for March 16 at the Clock Tower. The Celtic-theme evening features music by bagpiper Tom Kennedy and the Chelsea House Orchestra, a traditional Irish feast of corn beef and cabbage, a live auction, door prizes, raffle drawing, Irish favors and more. Tickets, which are \$35 a person, may be purchased in advance at Pierce's Pastries Plus, Vogel's & Foster's, Dayspring Gifts, the chamber of commerce office and at The Chelsea Standard. Call 433-0354 for information or to order tickets by phone.

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Bull," Folts says.

These men served "Good Queen Bess," who was herself a fine player of the virginals, a smaller version of a plucked string keyboard instrument.

Folts enjoys the history as much as the music itself.

"The study of the period is fascinating," she says. "There are national styles of music and building styles."

While one of Folts' dreams is to play at Colonial Williamsburg, she gave her master's recital at historic King's Chapel in Boston.

"The atmosphere was amazing, even though the acoustics were rather dead," she says.

"Just to walk in the chapel and realize the building has been there for centuries and think of all the people who have passed through the place was incredible."

Folts even ended up "imprisoned" in the historic structure.

"I was rehearsing on a Saturday evening, and when I went to leave, a big, iron gate was locked and I was locked inside, rattling the bars until I caught someone's attention," she says. "A man walking by asked me if I was trying to break in or break out."

While at a regional convention of the American Guild of Organists in Vermilion, S.D., she was invited to give a recital at the Shrine to Music museum, part of the University of South Dakota.

"I played two historic harpsichords, a 17th century Italian and an 18th century French," she says. "It was the opportunity of a lifetime to play the repertoire belonging to these original instruments."

"I was awed and felt so connected to that mass of humanity who had played the keyboards through all those years ahead of me."

Before her current harpsichord career, Folts gave organ recitals in Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana and South Dakota. She also performed modern, avant-garde music on a

European tour of Denmark, France and Germany.

"I gained infamy and notoriety as a performer of avant-garde music for the organ for 10 years, but my focus now is on the music of the 16th to 18th centuries," she says.

Since August 1996, Folts has been minister of music and organist at St. Paul United Church of Christ, where she directs the adult vocal choir and the hand bell choir.

"We have 11 players and a three octave set of bells," she says. "Sometimes I have to step in and play the bells myself if someone is away."

Since completing her doctorate, Folts is in the process of finding a teaching position. She spent five years teaching at the music faculty of Iowa State University and four years teaching at Miami University in Ohio prior to moving to Michigan.

While studying for her doctorate, she was a teaching assistant at the University of Michigan.

"While I want to continue performing concerts, I hope to find an academic teaching position,

hopefully in this area, since we love it here," she says.

Since moving to Chelsea from Cincinnati five years ago, Folts has had little time for anything other than focusing on her doctorate degree.

However, she and her husband enjoy walking in the woods and exploring the Waterloo Recreation Area and the Geology Center.

"When we moved here, we looked all over Ann Arbor for a home — in every direction — and fell in love with this house," she says. "It will be a wonderful restoration project when we have time."

Folts and her husband, a professional photographer, share their historic home with Chessie, a tiger tabby adopted from Chelsea Animal Hospital.

"Chessie is my study buddy. She helped me through all the historical papers of my doctorate program, and would purr me through writing long papers late into the night, cheering me on," Folts says.

Since Chessie is deaf, she is unable to enjoy the finer points

of Beethoven and Bach, but seems to enjoy the vibrations of the instruments.

Folts will perform with Corinne Schat Hillebrand in a candlelight concert 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 14600 Old US-12. The concert is a benefit event to support the church's music ministry. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for students to age 15, and will be on sale at the door or can be reserved by phone at 475-2545.

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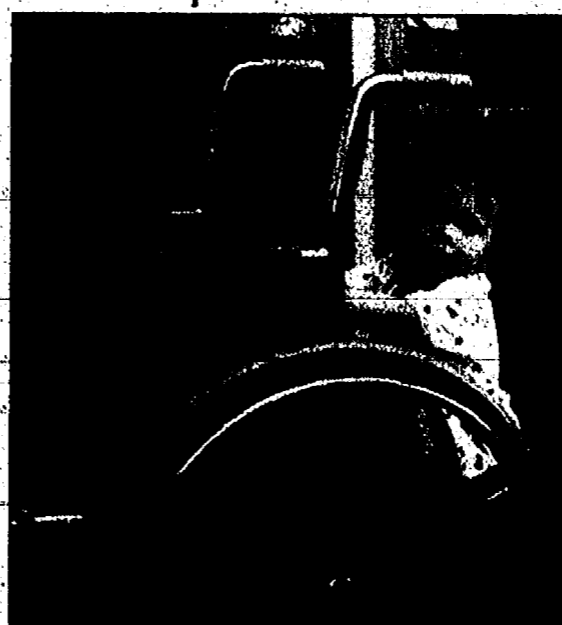
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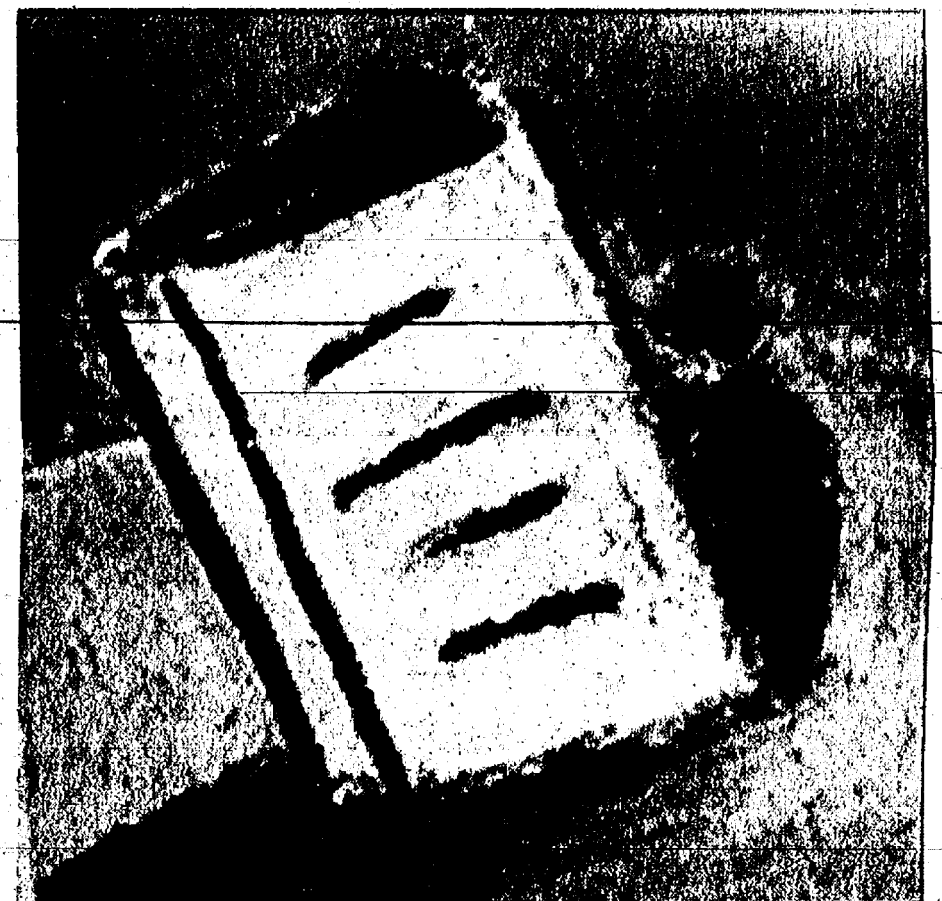
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CHEER

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teams have been competing for seven years."

The MHSAA held its first competitive cheer state championship in 1994.

Last Saturday at Lake Orion High School, Rochester captured the Class A cheer crown for a record sixth time.

In Class B, Chesaning won for the third time. Airport placed seventh.

In Class C-D, Breckenridge finished first for the second con-

secutive year. Pewamo-Westphalia, which placed second, has won five Class C-D titles overall.

The Bulldogs chose their inaugural squad back in November of last year.

Prior to regional competition, Chelsea participated in five meets.

Highlights of the season were a second-place finish at the Irish Invitational in Mt. Pleasant and a fourth-place finish at Portland in the year's opening meet.

Smith said the squad's major goal this season was to improve every score from the previous

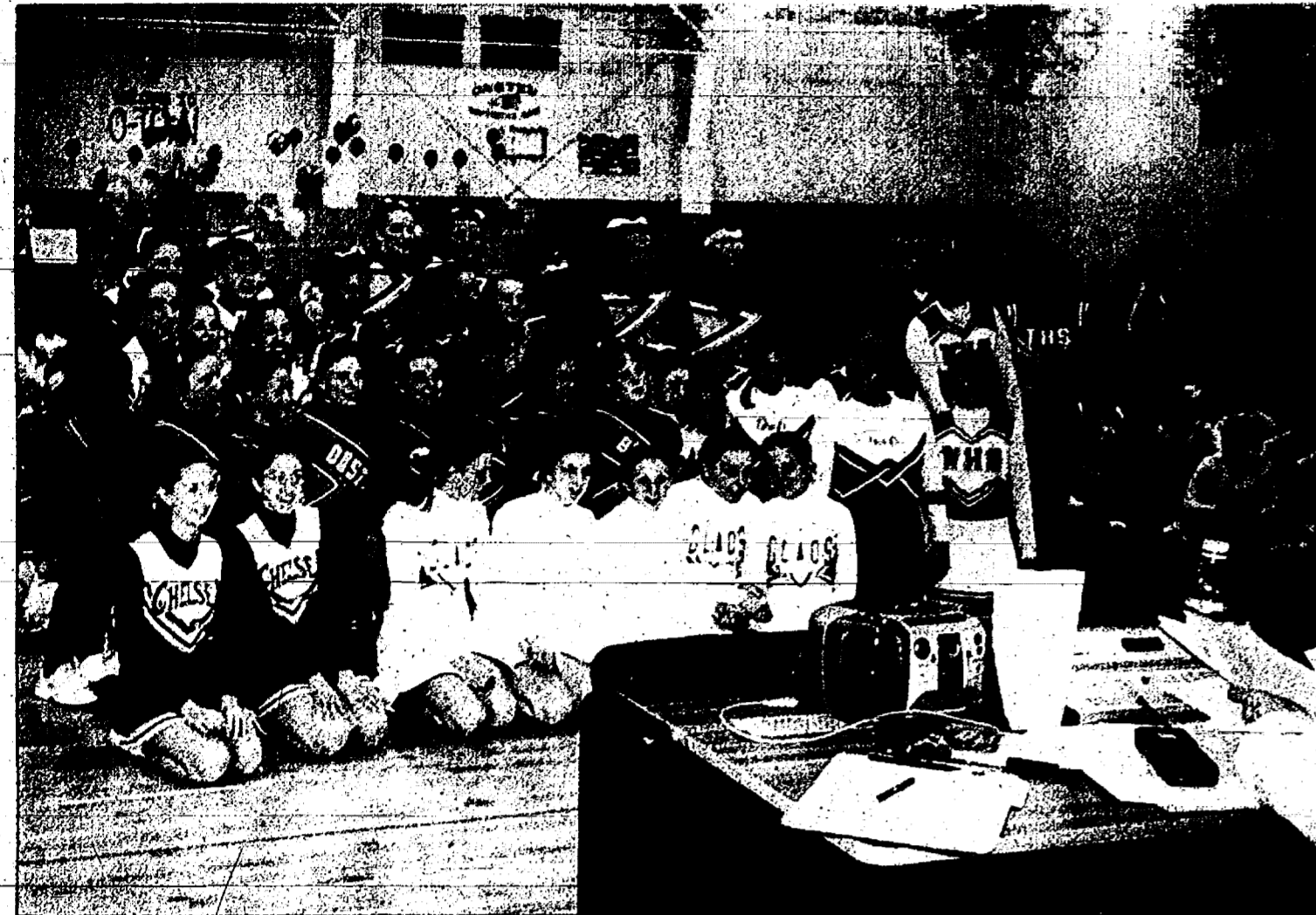
competition and to learn for the future.

"They met their goal and are planning on having an even more successful season next year," Smith said. "We're looking forward to it."

Two Bulldog cheerleaders earned postseason honors.

Juniors Jessica Smith and Amanda Titus were each named to the MHSAA Class B all-region competitive cheer team.

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Chelsea's Amanda Titus (front row, left) and Jessica Smith gather for a group shot after being named All-Region.



The Chelsea competitive cheer squad poses with its second-place trophy earlier this season at the Irish Invitational in Mt. Pleasant. Members include, front row, Krysta Laszyca (left), Jessica Smith, Sara Schwartz and Amanda Titus; middle row, Jessica Stickney (left), Alicia Seamon and Jennifer Behr; back row, Stephanie Dent (left), Susan Barkman, Jessica Irish, Kathryn Titus, Randi Weddon, Grace Ragan, Erica Sater and Carla Hashley.

Aquatic Club competes in finals

Two members of the Chelsea Aquatic Club competed at the Michigan 12 and younger state short course championships this past weekend at Rockford High School.

Jessica Lodewyk qualified and swam in seven events for CAC.

She finished 31st in the 200

freestyle (2:13.69); 36th in the 50 freestyle (28.28); 37th in the 50 butterfly (31.57); 38th in the 100 freestyle (1:02.03); 39th in the 100 butterfly (1:13.14) and 42nd in the 100 individual medley (1:12.98).

In the 200 individual medley, she swam a personal best time of (2:31.60).

The second member of CAC to participate in the finals was Kellyn Pagliarini.

Pagliarini finished 23rd in the 100 backstroke with a personal best time of (1:10.60).

The two swimmers will join the rest of the CAC in two weeks at the Southeastern Michigan Swim League championships in Dexter.

Frosh end season on win streak

Behind Brian Kinaschuk's 16 points, including 12 in the first half, and Nick Miller's 13 points, all in the second half, Chelsea's freshman boys' basketball team defeated visiting Tecumseh last Friday night, 61-41.

Jeff Alber and Jeff Elliot each chipped in eight points to help lead the Bulldogs (16-4) in their final game of the year.

Chelsea finished the season strong, winning its last seven halfgames.

"I'm extremely proud of how we finished this year," said Chelsea coach Mike Bareis. "We won seven games in a row and showed overall improvement throughout the entire season."

Behind a 26-8 third quarter offensive explosion, Chelsea defeated Jackson Northwest 63-

48 Feb. 27. The Bulldogs held a slim 27-25 lead at halftime before blowing the game wide open in the decisive third.

Kinaschuk with 16 points, Miller with 14, Joe Hohnke with 13 and Tony Reifel with eight points led the Bulldogs.

"Nick Miller played tremendous pressure defense on Western's point guards disrupting its entire offense," Bareis said.

Behind Kinaschuk's 29 points and Reifel's 16 points, Chelsea defeated host Ypsilanti Lincoln 68-48 Feb. 23.

The Bulldogs used a 23-7 third quarter outburst to put away the Railsplitters.

"Our defense was tremendous throughout the entire game,"

Bareis said. "Hohnke was dominant inside with 13 defensive rebounds."

For the game, Hohnke hauled down a season-high 19 boards.

Miller and Royce each added five assists for Chelsea.

"I'm excited about the future of CHS basketball," Bareis said. "I look forward to watching these young men perform at the junior varsity level next year."

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Former Chelsea player makes it to Rose Bowl

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

This season's Rose Bowl had a local flavor to it.

Purdue University (9-3, ranked No. 13), the Big Ten's representative in the "Granddaddy" of all bowl games, traveled to Pasadena, Calif. this year to battle the University of Washington (11-1, ranked No. 3) New Year's Day. Despite losing to the Huskies, 34-24, it still was a season to remember for the Boiler-makers.

It was Purdue's first trip to the Rose Bowl in 34 years.

Alex Underwood, a 2000 graduate of Chelsea High School, was a member of this season's Boiler-maker squad.

Underwood, a starter at defensive tackle his senior year at Chelsea, was accepted to Purdue strictly for academic reasons as an engineering major.

"I could not have done it without the support of (Chelsea football coach) Brad Bush, the other coaches and all the guys on the team."

— Alex Underwood
CHS graduate

Football, however, was still in his blood.

The freshman was determined to compete for one of the few "invited walk on" spots on the Boiler-maker team.

He made it. "I could not have done it without the support of (Chelsea football coach) Brad Bush, the other coaches and all the guys on the team," Underwood said.

As a redshirt freshman, Underwood has four more years of football eligibility remaining.



Members of Chelsea's Beach Middle School seventh-grade volleyball team include, front row, Kaly Coburn (left), Megan Nadolny, Tori Overpeck, Maggie Dusbiber, Hannah Myers and Alex Keszler; middle row, Mandie Egeler (left), Nicky Lodewyk, Jennifer Carty, Rachel Armstrong, Jeanne Underwood, Amanda Trembley and manager Lindsey Till; back row, manager Christina Sharrer, Tawny McSweeney, Danielle Smith, Sarah Iverson, Lauren Stock, Torre Haynes, Kay Szcodronski and coach Linda Turok.

Beach wins two straight matches

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Chelsea's Beach Middle School seventh-grade volleyball team ended the season on a high note, winning its last two matches.

Last Thursday, host Beach defeated Adrian Springbrook 12-10, 3-11, 13-11, 11-9.

Sarah Iverson led the way for Chelsea with seven service points.

Torre Haynes added six service points, while Hannah Myers, Alex Keszler and Tawny McSweeney each had five service points. McSweeney also recorded an ace.

Nicky Lodewyk and Kaly Coburn chipped in three service points, while Lauren Stock and Jennifer Carty each added two points. Jeanne Underwood finished with one point for Beach.

Maggie Dusbiber paced Chelsea with four assists.

Rachel Armstrong, Myers, McSweeney, Carty, Iverson and Stock each had one assist.

"This match was a close and exciting one," said Beach coach Linda Turok. "The girls stayed focused when the pressure was on and played a very consistent match."

"It was a pleasure to see them apply what they had learned and play so well."

On Feb. 27, Chelsea traveled to Saline and defeated the Hornets 11-6, 11-9, 11-2.

Iverson led in serving with seven points.

Dusbiber had five points, while Myers, Keszler and Tori Overpeck each added four points.

Overpeck had an ace. Haynes, McSweeney and

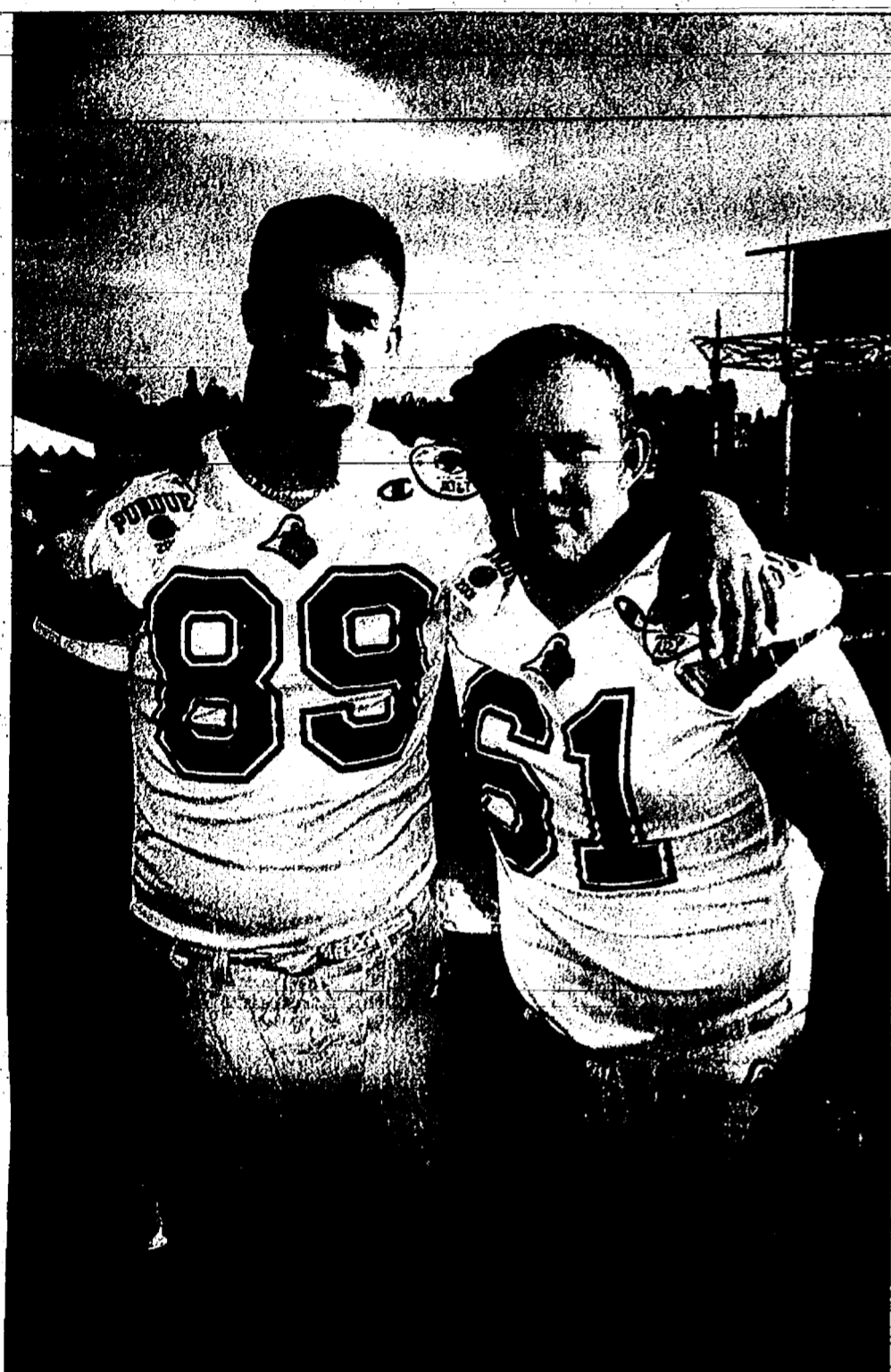
Underwood each served two points.

McSweeney recorded an ace. Danielle Smith, Megan Nadolny and Stock each served one point.

McSweeney paced the squad with four assists.

Kay Szcodronski added two assists and Dusbiber had one assist for Chelsea.

Beach finished the season with a 6-5 overall mark.



Purdue All-American tight end Tim Stratton (left) and Chelsea's Alex Underwood stop outside the Rose Bowl before this season's game against Washington.

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Stray dogs a problem



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LETTERS FROM ROMANIA

There has been a lot of talk lately about the problem with stray dogs in Romania. It seems like they are everywhere you turn.

Peace Corps offers volunteers a device that emits a high pitch sound to fend off dogs. The government estimates that there are more than 2 million stray dogs in the country. Approximately 23,000 people were victims of dog bites last year.

At the beginning of this month the mayor of Bucuresti

instituted a new plan to deal with the 300,000 dogs in the capital city. Dog catchers have been sent to the streets to start rounding them up. Dogs will be kept for 10 days for claim. Claimed dogs will be sterilized and deoused. After 10 days, unclaimed dogs will be killed.

Indications are that this plan will take some months. The government also hopes to address the problem in the same way in other cities.

Of course, there has been protests from animal rights activists. One group led by French actress Brigitte Bardot is against the plan. She has been here in Romania to support the animal activist side.

The animal activists feel that the problem with the stray dogs is a human one and the authorities have the responsibility to find a less cruel solution. One solution suggested is to sterilize the dogs and then return them to the streets where they will die

naturally. However, the plan is in effect as of this writing and the mayor of Bucuresti has a 70 percent approval rating.

Many say that the problem with stray dogs is a result of former Communist dictator Nicolae Ceasescu, who after the revolution in 1989 was executed. People were forcibly removed from their homes and relocated to bloc-style apartment buildings so he could satisfy his construction interests. As a result, many people had to abandon their dogs and the population multiplied as years passed.

Michael Visel is a 1989 Dexter High School graduate and a 1994 graduate of Northern Michigan University. He has a bachelor's degree in social work and is now stationed in Romania through the Peace Corps. Anyone interested in contacting him may do so through e-mail at viselmichael@hotmail.com.



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Eighth Grade Orchestra Division II

Mill Creek Middle School pupils participated in this year's District 12 Solo and Ensemble Festival on Feb. 3 in Livonia. The festival included schools from more than 80 schools in Washtenaw, Monroe Wayne counties. Pupils who earned first or second division ratings are awarded a medal. Pictured in the front row are Jessica Priestly (left), Jackie Suing and Bridgette Cripe. In the back row are Becky Major (left), Zac Morhous, Anna LaForest, Amanda Rize, Sarah Stilwell and Amanda Verna.

Top 10 Internet sites

By Marisa Williams
Special Writer

The Internet is wonderful tool for students and their homework, but finding the right Web sites isn't always easy.

Although the following list of sites was mainly constructed with the thought of helping students of all ages with homework, teachers and parents may also find it helpful.

After careful consideration and lots of surfing, this is my personal top 10.

Drumroll, please...

www.google.com

The wonderful search engine that made this list possible. This site gets straight to what you want to find without cluttering the screen with advertising, like many other popular search engines.

www.m-w.com

Merriam-Webster online features a collegiate dictionary and thesaurus. It also has a link to www.britannica.com for things you might want to know more about.

www.algebra.com

Lessons, homework help, problem solvers and more for quadratic, linear, polynomial, numeric, story problems, imaginary numbers, graphs, unit conversion, proportions, percentages, geometric formulas, abstract and formula rendering.

www.netmom.com

This site has emergency homework help, but is also great for families. It features links for kids who love math, music, art, reading, writing, chat, pen pals, science, sports, outdoors, games and interactive stuff. It also has links for preschoolers!

www.thinkquest.org

The library of entries on this site was created by students and teachers from around the world. Its index features arts, entertainment, literature, business, industry, computers, Internet, education, health, safety, history, government, languages, math, people and places, philosophy, religion, mythology, references, science, society, culture, technology, sports and recreation.

It also has links for materials by grade group, by content area and for teacher education. This site is great for students through high school.

www.schoolwork.org

This child-friendly site is great for students through high school. Its directory includes art, biography, computers, dictionaries, drugs, encyclopedias, government, grammar, health, history, issues, languages, law, literature, maps, math, music, mythology, newspapers, philosophy, quotations, religion, science, statistics, writing and citing.

www.50states.com

I wish this Web site would have been around when I had to do state reports! This has everything a student needs for such a project. It also offers interesting information about each state, such as landmarks, museums, area codes, camping and much more.

www.studyweb.com

This site of teachers' favorites is helpful for those in late ele-

mentary through undergraduate studies. The index has homework help, language, history, social science, people and places, states, references, math, science, health, technology, arts, professional development, teaching resources, schools, education, family, sports, entertainment, business and finance.

www.school.discovery.com

This great site for parents, students and teachers is associated with the Discovery Channel, TLC, Travel Channel and Discovery Health.

The directory for students includes art, computer science and Internet, current events, English, foreign languages, health, history, math, music, reference, science, search engines

and social studies.

www.sparknotes.com

Fantastic for experienced students, especially college students. This is the Cliff's Notes of the Internet. It has great links, an awesome translator and other excellent tools.

The site features notes for hard-to-find literature and poetry, math, physics, chemistry, biology, astronomy, computer science, philosophy, biography, history, psychology, economy, Shakespeare, health, nutrition and even Kaplan Test preparation.

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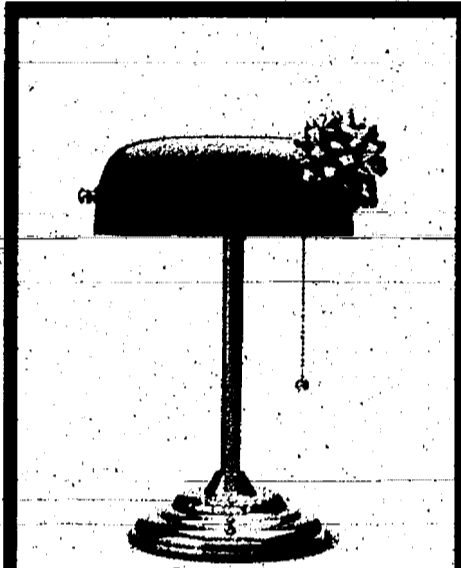
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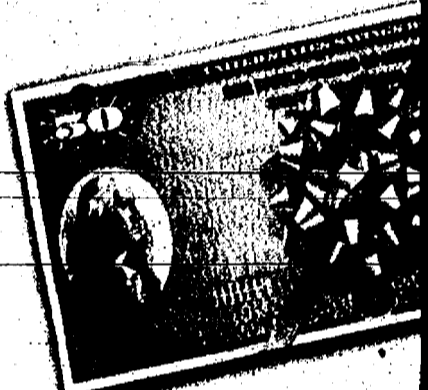
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Hospice Valentines

Dexter Brownie Troop 554 recently celebrated Valentine's Day by creating valentine cards for local hospice residents. Pictured in the front row are Nicole Dinsler (left), Logan Boonstra, Kailyn Atkinson and Verena Stoddard. In the back row are Natasha Esper (left), Lauren Davis, Zaryn Jennings, Lauren Scott and Kelsey Heilman. Not pictured are troop leader Julie Boonstra and co-leader Denise Dinsler.

Churches celebrate World Day of Prayer

Ecumenical service written by Samoan women.

By Lisa Allmendinger

For more than 100 years on the first Friday in March, people around the world have celebrated a World Day of Prayer. From tropical islands to arctic tundra, all participants worship with the same service, which is written by a different country each year.

This year, the task went to the Christian women from the tiny islands that comprise Samoa located in the Pacific Ocean. Locally, churches in Ann

Arbor have carried on the worldwide prayer tradition, but for five Dexter-area churches, Friday was the first time they had participated in many years, said Jeanne Fakler, a committee member.

Reviving the service at St. Joseph Catholic Church was the idea of Janice Weber, who had celebrated the prayer service in Switzerland before moving back to the United States.

This year's ecumenical service, called "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," brought approximately 50 people together from several different Christian faiths to St. Joseph Catholic Church. The hour-plus

service combined a little of the history and customs of Samoa with a prayer service.

Participating churches were St. Joseph, St. Andrew's United Church of Christ, Webster United Church of Christ, St. James' Episcopal Church and Dexter United Methodist Church.

"It provides us with a sense of coming together, of oneness," Fakler said.

World Day of Prayer has been celebrated by individual churches, but in 1982, the first ecumenical service was held.

The festivities began with refreshments provided by local merchants. The church service

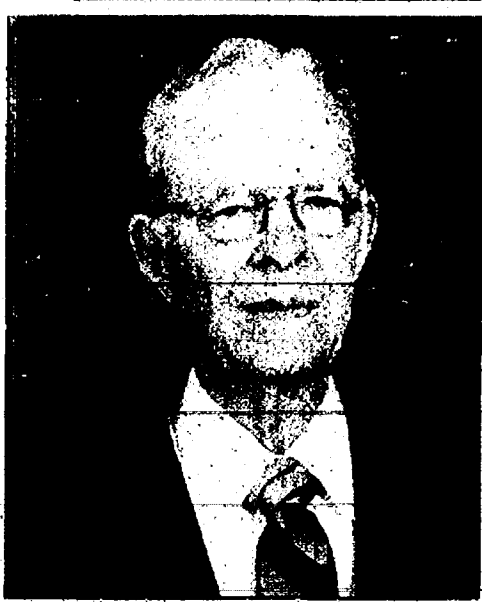
followed and included some native Samoan language. There were numerous songs and informational interludes to educate the participants about the importance of prayer in Samoa.

"This is a great time to ask for guidance, for community and unity," one of the readers said.

About 25 women were involved in putting the service together. A dozen read different portions of the service.

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DEATHS



ELSA ORDWAY
Ypsilanti
Elsa M. Goetz Ordway, 94, died March 2, 2001. She was born March 21, 1906, in Ann Arbor the daughter of George and Mathilda (Blum) Goetz. On July 24, 1929, she married Carroll C. Ordway. In 1935, they moved from Ann Arbor to a farm on Dancer Road, where she lived until 1989.

Mrs. Ordway had been employed by several business offices, including the University of Michigan. She has been a lifetime member of Zion Lutheran Church and a longtime member of Lima Extension Group, having joined in 1938.

Mrs. Ordway is survived by a daughter, Louise Holman of Ypsilanti; a son, Louis Ordway of Ann Arbor; and nieces and nephews Tom Goetz of Ann Arbor, Linda Bates of Lansing and Sandra McLeLand of Barrington, Ill. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carroll, who died Feb. 23, 1987.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Muehlig Funeral Chapel. Interment was at Bethlehem Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Zion Lutheran Church.

MARION L. PROSSER

Marion L. Prosser, 96, died March 2, 2001, at Chelsea Retirement Community. He was born on Feb. 19, 1905, in Fayetteville, Tenn., the son of Doc M. and Maggie E. (Lindsay) Prosser.

Mr. Prosser lived in Flint, from 1919 through 1991, moving to Chelsea in 1991. He was employed by Fisher Body Flint Plant in plant engineering, where he worked from 1929 until his retirement in 1967. He was a member of the Flint Industrial Executives Club.

Mr. Prosser was a member of Chelsea First United Methodist Church and former member of Hope United Methodist Church of Flint. He was a 32nd degree member of the Chas. A. Durand Lodge 533 F. & A.M., life member of Bay City Scottish Rite Bodies, the Lodge, Council, Chapter Rose Croix and Consistory, 32nd degree.

Mr. Prosser was a member of Retired Men's Fellowship of Greater Flint, where he was secretary until 1983. He graduated from Flint Central High School and Olivet College.

On June 3, 1933, Mr. Prosser married Jennie M. Ferguson in Bay City, and she survives. Other survivors include one niece, Dorothy Lefter, and many good friends.

Funeral services were held Monday in the Towsley Village Chapel at the Chelsea Retirement Community, with the Rev. Richard Dake officiating. Burial took place at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Flint.

Memorial contributions may be made to Chelsea Retirement Community or Hope United Methodist Church in Flint. Arrangements were made by Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea.

MARILYN L. HENSON

Marilyn L. Henson, 71, of Jackson, died March 5, 2001. She is survived by her husband, Joseph Henson, of 20 years; four children, Brian (Jeanne) Dyson of Jackson, Nancy (Earl) Hughes of Chelsea, Donita (Dwight) Olson of Parma and David (Sally) Dyson of Jackson; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and close cousins.

Mrs. Henson was preceded in death by one daughter, Barbara Lynn Gorda; one grandson, Phillip Dyson; parents, Lyman and Edna Adams; three brothers; and her first husband, Andrew Dyson.

Mrs. Henson was past president of Park Forrest Tenant Association and a member of Waterloo Village United Methodist Church.

At her request, cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. today at Park Forrest in Jackson. Memorial contributions may be made to the Crohns and Colitis Foundation of America Inc.

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Print dictionary still popular

By Jessica McArthur

Heritage Newspapers

Now that computers come with built-in spell checks, and you can purchase a hand-held electronic spell-checker at your local store, it would be expected that old-fashioned dictionaries in book form could become extinct.

On the contrary, the book dictionary is as popular as ever. Publishers sell more of the resource tool each year, with its highest sales in the fall for back to school.

Spell-checkers aren't foolproof. They don't help you understand language. The electronic versions don't help a writer decide which word is best in a certain context.

When choosing a dictionary, people make the common mistake of picking the one with the most familiar title. People are also known to buy the biggest one the store has to offer, or they grab the first dictionary they see.

Most people are familiar with the name "Webster's," but really the name doesn't amount to much because "Webster's" lost its trademark protection.

This means that anyone can print a dictionary and have the name "Webster's" printed on it. Having the right name doesn't make the quality of the dictionary good.

A quality dictionary does, however, depend on a publishing house with a good reputation. The only one that is a direct link to Noah Webster, the famed dictionary writer, is Merriam-Webster.

When choosing a dictionary for your family, the ages of those who will use it should be considered. The expected use level is clearly indicated on most dictionaries, from young readers to college and beyond.

Children don't have the aptitude to use a large unabridged dictionary. They could also have trouble using even a common college-level dictionary. They can, however, look up words. A dictionary can be used as a tool to teach children how to locate information.

Before buying a dictionary, you should test it by looking up words. Every dictionary has its own tone, you should find out which one appeals to you.

Compare definitions of the same word in different dictionaries. Decide which one makes the most sense to you.

You'll also want to see how up to date the dictionary is before making a purchase. Look up the most modern words to find which dictionary has them. Dictionaries are usually updated every year.

One of the most important factors to consider when choosing a dictionary is what it will be used for.

Students who carry their dictionaries around with them all the time, or those who will keep it in a cramped office, might prefer a paperback version.

But for your home, office or dorm room, a hardback college-level dictionary would work for you.

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10:30 a.m.

Zion Lutheran
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(734) 475-8064
David Hendricks, Pastor
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Worship, 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

Webster United Church of Christ
5484 Webster Church Rd.,
Dexter, MI
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Chelsea, MI 48118
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Celebrity golf tourney slated

The seventh annual St. Louis Center Celebrity Golf Outing will take place June 25 at the Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth.

Golfers will play on the Golden Fix Championship Course. The cost is \$350 per golfer or \$2,500 for hole sponsorship, which includes 18 holes of golf for four people with a celebrity player, lunch, dinner and prizes.

Company sponsorship packages are also available for eight or 16 golfers. The day will consist of registration and free driving range from 10 a.m. to noon, lunch, a shotgun start at

12:30 p.m., and dinner.

For more information call the St. Louis Center at 475-8430 or visit www.stlouiscenter.org. Reservations are limited.

Proceeds from the event go to maintaining the services provided to the boys and men with developmental disabilities who call St. Louis Center home. The St. Louis Center, a nonprofit

organization, is located in Chelsea.

Last year's event involved celebrity golfers, including members of the Detroit Red Wings, Olympians and retired members of the Detroit Tigers Baseball Club, Detroit Lions National Football League, as well as media personalities.

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Author tells how to feel nifty at 50

By Jackie Harrison-Martin
Heritage Newspapers

There seems to be substantial evidence to suggest that things get better with age — people are said to be older and wiser, time is supposed to heal all wounds and wines are not to be served before their time.

So it only stands to reason that adults can "Feel Nifty After 50," just as Jo Peddicord's book suggests.

The 162-page paperback is dedicated to women in particular who realize "life is what we make it" and are firmly grounded with the desire to live and help others live graciously.

The book goes suggests older not only can be better, it can be a lot better. Peddicord states that getting older is inevitable, but it is outdated to think of the second half of life as declining.

She states in this new century the concept of growing young, instead of growing old, is coming into full bloom.

An entire chapter of the book is dedicated to hopping off the blues bus and discovering how to overcome depression and loneliness.

It also explores some of the attitudes people have that sometimes invite loneliness, such as

clinging, neediness, excessive flattery, self-centered talk, complaining, aloofness and coldness.

Becoming better listeners increases social aptitude, according to the book.

Peddicord's book also delves into the rewards of physical fitness and offers a few stress-free activities to help firm, tone and relax the body.

She insists that not only is 50 nifty, but so is nutrition. The book says the color on your plate is as important as the color on your face and figure.

"When a meal is pleasing to the eye, it keeps your body healthy," the book states. "Oranges, red apples and tomatoes, yellow bananas, orange sweet potatoes, green beans and peas — to name a few — all lift your spirits as they fuel your body. Fruits and vegetables keep it primed for good health."

One survey of older Americans showed that 40 per-

cent of seniors have low intakes of vitamin E because it is not plentiful in foods.

Good food sources for vitamin E are beets, black beans, broccoli, sunflower and other seeds, almonds and peanuts, sardines, corn oil, safflower oil, green

leafy vegetables, sweet potatoes, whole grain cereals — and tomato juice.

"Feel Nifty After Fifty" also contains an anti-aging diet that is low in fat and high in fruits, vegetables and dairy products. The diet also adds fiber.

Chapter seven of the book is a smorgasbord of the best questions put to the author. It deals with questions pertaining to skin care, surgery, makeup, hair, fashion and renewal.

Peddicord addresses inner as well as outer beauty and encourages women to feel good about paying attention to both.

"Just because a garden is old, do we stop planting, pruning and watering?" she asks. "Just because a home is old, do we

stop maintenance, painting and renovating? You are 100 times more important than either home or garden.

"The appearance of a woman is no less a creation than a garden or home. It takes a lot less time and leaves a lasting impression."

The author doesn't just encourage good fashion and style, she offers some tips how to look and feel your best.

Being 50, 60, 70 or more doesn't mean dress older, Peddicord wrote.

"We may not choose to wear thigh-high skirts, reveal too much skin, or wear figure-revealing clothing," she writes. "But that leaves lots of room for panache, elegance, casual and fun-to-wear apparel with multi-colored, flashy sparkling jewelry suitable for your personality and the occasion."

The author says forget the age number and let what you wear say who you are.

Her final chapter pinpoints the do's and don'ts of finding a life you are happy living. Readers are encouraged to "spread your wings and fly."

She offers a starting point and readers can take it from there.

"Just because a garden is old, do we stop planting, pruning and watering?"

— Jo Peddicord
author



Celebrating Reading Month

Barbara Locks, media specialist at South Meadows Elementary, helped celebrate Dr. Seuss Day at South on March 2. Locks read to pupils and acted as narrator in an afternoon of performance of "The Oobleck." Locks organized a host of activities to celebrate March is Reading Month.

Students make EMU dean's list

Several area residents have been named to the dean's list at Eastern Michigan University.

Those earning the honor from Chelsea are Mary Lynn Bassett, Vera Jean Eddy, Kristin Alicia Gaunt, Molly Irene Harris, Mark Edward Juergens, Jason Anthony Kalmbach, Lynn Marie Kalmbach, Melissa Kathleen Letizio, Heather Brooke McKenzie, Jessica Anne McVay, Amber Jazairi Neuenschwander, Anna Ruth Norton, Krista Marie Noye, Katie Elizabeth Parker, Jennifer Lynn Saarinen, Betsy Alice Schunk, Megan Mary Smith, Steven Thomas Snyder, Sara Renee Stankevich, Lydia R. Weid and Jeremy Curtis Wolf.

Grass Lake residents on the list are Caitlin Connors, April Lynn Embury, Kenty Richard Hayslip, Amy Nicole Oake and

Joan Louise Shoaf. James Grady Baker Jr., Nicole Lynn Bies, Matthew Adam Cheney, Carrie Lee Vogel, Jamie Diane Warren and Deborah Faye, all of Gregory, are also on it.

Students from Dexter who made the list are Sara Louisa Bogdanski, Adam Lee French, Susan Anne Gannon, Anne Margaret Graulich, Susan Diane Hardin, Nicole Alleean Hattie, Kate Elizabeth Jackson, Sarah Elizabeth Jedele, Marissa Kay Johnson, Emily Irene Nuber, Brett Matthew Pederson, Katherine Rose Ryan, Jason M. Schrader, Dera Leigh Sipe, Sally Ann Smith, Stephanie Strasburg, Marie Madaline, Arthur Earl Terrice, Christina Mary Whitting and Rachel Victorie Wiertella.

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Bunker - Log Number 66262
Bunker is a one year old, 62 pound Lab mix who lost his family. He arrived here stray January 5. Unfortunately, Bunker wasn't wearing enough ID to help us locate his family for him, so he's waiting to see if they will spot him here. If that doesn't happen, and the chances seem slim at this point, Bunker will be needing a new home and family to call his own. Can you help him?

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