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Voters elect 9 to commission

■ Special election draws a 10 percent turnout.

By Sheila Pursglove

Associate Editor

Ann Feeney says the real adventure is just beginning.

Feeney, director of Chelsea's Downtown Development Authority, was the front runner in Tuesday's special election to choose nine people to serve on the City Charter Commission.

The panel, who will be sworn in by Village Clerk Jill Branson 5 p.m. today, will have 90 days to write the document that will provide

a framework of government for the new city of Chelsea.

Only 325 people, approximately 10 percent of the 3,229 registered voters in the village and 47 in the township "islands" that will be annexed, voted. However, Village Manager Jack Myers said Tuesday that the number met his estimate and was a fair turnout.

"There are a lot of very qualified people who were elected to serve on the commission and they'll do a good job," Myers said.

Feeney, who was on the original City Study Committee launched a decade ago, garnered 229 votes. Attorney Pat Conlin was right behind her with 227.



Deputy Clerk Georgia Beeman helps Bob Hodder place his ballot in the machine in Tuesday's special City Charter Commission election.

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Photo by Rita Fischer

Forensics tourney set for Feb. 15

The Chelsea High School forensics team will hold a competitive tournament from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Feb. 15 at the school, 740 Freer Road.

Anyone 18 years and older who has experience with speaking and would like to serve as a judge may call 433-2201, Ext. 1237, for information.

Election petitions due by Feb. 3

Three seats are up for grabs on the Chelsea Village Council March 10.

Two-year terms will expire for trustees Jim Myles, Janice Ortring and Charles Ritter.

People interested in running for the Village Council must file nominating petitions, signed by no fewer than 15 registered voters of the village, by 4 p.m. Feb. 3.

For information, call the village clerk at 475-1771.

Legion to hold Chili Cook-Off

The annual Cavanaugh Lake Chili Cook-Off will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 1 during the American Legion Winter Carnival.

The carnival is slated Jan. 31 through Feb. 2 at the Chelsea American Legion Post 31, 1700 Bridge Road.

For information, call Gus Hansen at 475-7212.

Greenleaf to speak at Tuesday meeting

Local businessman Ed Greenleaf will speak at the Chelsea Community Family Network meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Chelsea High School, 740 Freer Road.

Greenleaf will discuss the future of the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program and having a liaison police officer in the schools.

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Village President Richard Steele and state Sen. Liz Brater hold a poster of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as they lead a parade Sunday honoring the late civil rights leader. Participants marched from downtown Chelsea to the Washington Street Education Center, where activities were held.

Photo by Kent Ashton Walton

On the march

Local residents rally, walk for peace

By Kent Ashton Walton

Special Writer

The sign around the dog's neck read, "Bark for Peace."

It was a light-hearted touch Sunday as local residents demonstrated both for peace and in support of U.S. troops while paying tribute to slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

Prior to the Martin Luther King Jr. Day march, peace protesters held

what has become a regular Sunday vigil outside the Chelsea Post Office. Their banners read "Protect Your Children, Not Your Interests," "Vietnam Vets for Peace" and "Guided Missiles — Misguided Men."

A group holding a counter demonstration held banners reading, "Freedom Is Not Free, Support Our Troops."

Patrick McDevitt of Scio Township, manager of Mancino's Pizza in

Chelsea, carried a sign reading "Support the Troops."

"We're here to put another viewpoint out there — to show the troops that there are people supporting them, and that it's not all about anti-war," he said.

Gina Frankhart of Chelsea, who was alongside McDevitt, said her brother was at the Pentagon Sept. 11, 2001.

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Village withdraws from regional planning effort

■ Participating municipalities to draft new plan.

By Michael Rybka

Special Writer

Members of the Chelsea Area Regional Planning Team left a Jan. 15 meeting scratching their heads after Village President Richard Steele asked that all references to "Chelsea area" be deleted from an agreement of cooperation.

Steele said the village still supports the planning team as a forum for exchanging ideas and keeping each municipality in the Chelsea area up to date on their respective developments. However, he said the council and the Village Planning Commission no longer want to be part of the proposed regional development plan.

Former Lima Township Supervisor Gary Adams, who was at the meeting, said that removing the term "Chelsea

area" from the agreement is a pre-sumptuous way for Chelsea to announce that it's rejecting the regional plan.

Steele said he was just following the Village Council's wishes.

"Even if it's just the four townships involved in the plan, it's still the "Chelsea area," Adams said after the meeting.

Lyndon Township Supervisor Maryann Noah said she was baffled by the village's request. She pointed

out that the term is used in the names of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority and the Chelsea Area Construction Agency.

The team decided at the meeting to start from scratch and compose a new regional plan that excludes the village. Washtenaw County Planning Consultant Amy Golke said she would begin work on the project.

Sylvan Township Clerk LuAnn Koch wondered afterward how the

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Miniature world

Sylvan Twp. resident collects Wade figurines

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Toy Trio

Daniel Carrara (left), Campbell Fahle and J.J. Duncan enjoy a recent play session at the Chelsea District Library.

Photo by Rita Fischer

RALLY

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when the plane hijacked by terrorists hit 50 feet from his office.

"My brother buried all his friends when the Pentagon was attacked," she said.

"He is in the military and is going to be teaching at West Point. He doesn't want war either but feels that the terrorists must be stopped. He does not believe that peace is possible right now.

"We have to rid the world of people like Saddam Hussein and other people who hate Americans."

Frankhart said it took a lot of courage for her to stand with the counter-demonstrators.

"All my friends are over there," she said, pointing to the anti-war group.

Frankart believes the Iraqi dictator supplied weapons to terrorists and helped to fund them.

"My brother was at Desert Storm," she said. "He marched into Iraq at that time, and he felt that we needed to go all the way. Now, 10 years later, we are back here with the same

problem, but it has gotten worse and more people have been killed."

On the other side of the road, at the peace vigil, Davis Mackres of Waterloo Township said participation in the group has grown.

"I'm really glad people are waking up and getting out here and expressing their opinions.

"We all support the troops, and the best way of supporting them is keeping them safe and keeping them home," he said.

Chelsea resident Gary Maveal, who has organized the recent peace vigils in Chelsea, said he recently returned from an anti-war protest in Washington, D.C. While there, he visited the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

"We saw the 55,000 names, some of whom we knew, who died - I think in what everyone after the fact now agrees - was a senseless war," he said.

"These folks are out here today expressing concern and trying to prevent that from happening again."

However divided the two groups may be over the means to reaching peace and solving terrorism, they joined

together in the parade honoring slain civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr.

Village President Richard Steele and state Sen. Liz Brater led marchers from downtown Chelsea to the Washington Street Education Center for an afternoon program, "Revisiting the Prize," which featured prayers, presentations, music and art activities. The march and program was organized by the "One World, One Family" task force.

Following a presentation by Chelsea Superintendent Dave Killips, Brater presented the first "Carrying the Dream" award to the Geography Committee at North Street Elementary School. The committee organized Geography Night in November, offering a cultural smorgasbord to everyone in the community.

The keynote speaker was the Rev. LaVerne Gill, the first African-American pastor at Webster United Church of Christ. She spoke of King's adherence to non-violence to achieve racial justice in the United States and asked the audience to remember the message of King, not the myth.

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planning team could move forward without the village's participation.

"We still share many of the same roads," she said. "You can't have a big, black hole in the center."

Chelsea Village Planning Commissioner Kim Soule criticized Sylvan Township for allowing new residential developments that will cause an immediate demand for new schools.

Susan Moore, vice president of the Chelsea school board, said the schools are in a position to welcome new students.

After the meeting, Steele said the Village Council and Planning Commission had reservations about the direction regional planning was going.

Steele cited the rezoning of

land to the south of Interstate 94 by Sylvan Township as an example that gave pause to some village officials.

Steele said Sylvan Township has every right to do what it did since the regional plan is not a binding document, but to do so before consulting the village undermines the purpose of regional planning.

Steele said the outcome of the planning team meeting will not affect any possible Act 425 agreements with

Lima Township. The type of

agreement allows for a larger municipality to provide public utilities to a smaller municipality without annexation taking place.

"I guess in a way we always knew it was going to happen, so it's almost a relief that it was finally put out in the open," Noah said later from home. "Now that it's clear where they stand, we can move on with a new plan. That's better than to simply continue not doing it."

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The suspects exited at Michigan Avenue in Ypsilanti, where State Police troopers joined the chase.

The men were followed through a residential area in Ypsilanti near Eastern Michigan University. McDougall said that the vehicle chase ended when the suspect's car stalled as the result of engine failure.

Police arrested one of the suspects, a 33-year-old Dearborn man, when he got out of the car. The other suspect, a 33-year-old Detroit man, was caught a few yards away near Mansfield Street in Ypsilanti.

The men were taken to Washtenaw County Jail. If convicted, they could face a 10-year maximum sentence for breaking and entering, possession of stolen property and fleeing and eluding police officers.

McDougall said the officers were able to recover all 75 cartons of cigarettes from the getaway car. The cigarettes

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STRAIGHT FACTS

An entry in the Jan. 9 fire report incorrectly attributed a comment that three snowmobilers apparently had been drinking alcohol to Chelsea firefighter Matt Tuttle. State Police later confirmed the trio had been drinking alcohol, however.

A story in last week's edition should have said Drama Day for children, hosted by Chelsea High School forensics students, will be held Feb. 8.

An article in last week's edition should have said Estelle Humenay opened Deerstar Studios in Chelsea last August.

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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Noah takes helm of fire authority

■ Andrew Adrian to serve as treasurer.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Andrew Adrian, who has served as the Chelsea Area Fire Authority's chairman since its inception 3 1/2 years ago, has stepped down.

Adrian instead will serve as treasurer and Lyndon Township Supervisor Maryann Noah will chair the Fire Authority.

Adrian said Jan. 13 that he has served long enough.

Noah said she is looking forward to the new challenge.

"All the things we do as public officials pale in comparison to trying to provide the highest level of public safety," she said.

"I am deeply committed to achieving that."

Sylvan Township Trustee Reuben Lesser will remain as the board's vice chairman and Waterloo Township Trustee Ron Beyer will continue as secretary.

Chelsea Village Council Trustee Charles Ritter, a representative on the Fire Board, contested the slate at

the board's meeting and recommended that a committee first be formed to come up with nominations.

After his suggestion was overruled, Ritter voted against the officers.

The board also assigned committee members at the meeting.

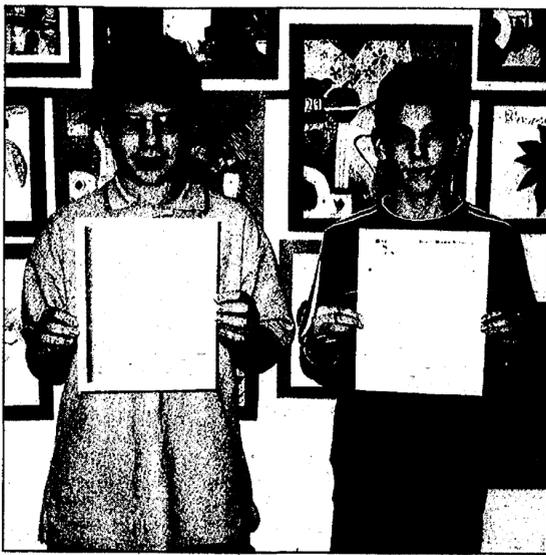
Ritter and Byer will serve on the Facilities Committee, which strives to improve the fire department's rating given by the International Safety Organization.

In addition, Ritter will join Noah on the Finance Committee. Noah also will act as the liaison between the Fire Authority and the firefighters, sharing public relations duties with Sandi Bird, the Fire Authority's business manager.

Adrian and Lesser will jointly oversee the Policies, Procedures and Personnel Committee.

The board will continue to meet 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month at Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US-12.

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Design Duo

Lucas Kizer (left) and Mark Socks, pupils at Beach Middle School, display their winning letterhead designs that will be adopted by the school.

Photo by Rita Fischer

Council renews lease for office

■ Village to pay more than \$85,000 in rent, related expenses.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

Village employees will not have to pack up their belongings and move to a new municipal office building for at least another year.

The Chelsea Village offices will remain in their current location in the Chelsea State Bank building, 305 S. Main St., for at least the next 12 months.

The Village Council voted Jan. 14 to renew its lease with the bank. The five-year lease extension will start Feb. 1 at a rental rate of \$13.75 per square foot, which amounts to \$5,329.27 per month or \$63,951.25 a year.

The village may terminate the lease at any time after Feb. 1, 2004, by giving six month's notice.

According to a letter from Bank President John Mann, the village will be charged an extra \$1.25 per square foot for the 4,651-square-foot office space.

Village Manager Jack Myers said the village's lease is a triple net lease. The cost

of utilities, insurance and property taxes are added to the flat rate together with maintenance costs.

The total cost to the village, including taxes, insurance, maintenance and parking lot, is \$85,151.25, bringing the cost per square foot to \$18.31.

Fred Mills, chairman of the Building Advisory Board helping the village move into new digs at 140 Buchanan Street, is expected to speak at the council's Jan. 28 meeting.

He will deliver the board's recommendation as to whether to renovate the former BookCrafters' building on Buchanan Street or demolish it to build a new municipal office.

The building was purchased last June for approximately \$1 million.

Lyndon Township to interview architects

■ Township Board to move forward on plans for new hall.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Lyndon Township may begin looking for an architect in hopes of building a new township hall in the spring.

The township has purchased land on M-52 from Rodney and Janis Knieper for its new headquarters.

Treasurer Ellen McMurray unveiled a plan that she and Clerk Linda Reilly developed. She said architects Ed Weir, Cynthia Silveri and Scott McElrath should be considered for the job.

Weir was named for his prior dealings with the township and because he was the architect for Sylvan Township when it built its new hall on Old US-12.

Silveri's name came up because she was raised in the township. She and her husband, who is also an architect, have done work for other municipalities.

McElrath's firm, Dangerous Architects, was chosen for its reputation in working

on many local projects.

Supervisor Maryann Noah suggested that the township borrow Sylvan Township's blueprints as a stepping stone in evaluating the township's needs.

Noah said that the township needs to be very precise in specifying the standards of building materials to be used.

"Simply choosing the lowest bidder will only get us the cheapest materials," she said. "We don't want the cheapest money can buy, but the best value for our money."

Noah said the township should schedule workshops so that each architect can be evaluated separately.

McMurray and Reilly said the board also needs to look at the project's financing, furnishing and landscaping needs.

In other news, Eugene McMurray was appointed to another term as an alternate on the Lyndon Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Ellen McMurray abstained from the vote.

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Tim Svetkovich (left) and Robert Tompkins, students at Chelsea Alternative High School, work on PowerPoint presentations about world leaders during a recent class.

Local income levels on the increase

■ **Washtenaw County second fastest growing area.**

By Lisa Carolin
Special Writer

Washtenaw County's estimated population growth rate is the second fastest in southeastern Michigan, right behind neighboring Livingston County, and local income levels are growing.

According to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, Washtenaw County's population increased nearly 19 percent between 1990 and 2002, and 4 percent between 2000 and 2002. As of December, the estimated population of the county was more than 336,000.

Saline Township was the fastest growing in Washtenaw County.

"Many of the townships in Washtenaw County attract development because they have room to grow and because of their proximity to jobs in western Wayne County, southwest Oakland County and Ann Arbor," said Jim Rogers, data center manager for SEMCOG.

Scio, Webster, Dexter and Lyndon townships experienced more than a \$6,000 gain in household income during the 1990s. Sylvania and Lima townships saw a \$1,000 to \$6,000 gain.

Poverty decreased in Scio, Webster, Dexter, Lyndon and Lima. Sylvania Township's poverty rate increased, however, between 0.5 and 2 percentage points. The 2000 U.S. Census defines the poverty threshold for a family of four at \$17,500.

Median household incomes as of 1999 were between \$70,000 and \$170,000 in the townships of Scio, Webster, Dexter and Lyndon. The median household income in Lima Township was between \$60,000 and \$70,000, and in Sylvania Township between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Median housing values were the highest in Scio and Webster townships, ranging between \$220,000 and \$854,000. They were between \$180,000 and \$220,000 in Dexter and Lima townships, and between \$140,000 and \$180,000 in Lyndon and Sylvania townships.

Washtenaw County Commissioner Dick DeLong, who represented Scio Township in District 3 before redistricting last year, said the income base has gone up considerably in the area.

"Scio Township is growing reasonably, but the houses people are building are huge," he said. "I don't know how people can afford to pay for them."

Grants available for grinder pumps

■ **Funding based on need.**

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Grants are available to residents at Cavanaugh, Crooked and the western end of Cedar Lake who need grinder pumps installed for sewage treatment.

Lyndon Township Supervisor Maryann Noah made the announcement Jan. 15 at the Sylvania Township Water and Sewer Authority meeting. She said grants are based on need. She estimated the cost of a grinder pump at \$2,000.

Future residents of a proposed manufactured-home community to be built west of Brown Drive and residents at Sugarloaf Lake could also qualify, she said.

Sylvania Township Water and Sewer Authority Chairman Gerald Dresselhouse said residents could defer

the entire cost of the sewer district's special assessment through the auspices of the state.

Unlike a grant for a pump connection, a deferred assessment eventually would have to be paid back with 6 percent interest applied when the resident sells his or her home or dies.

In the case of death, the estate would be responsible for the reimbursement. To ensure repayment, the state places a lien upon the property.

Grant applications are processed through the sewer authority's treasurer, while deferral requests are handled through the assessor, Dresselhouse said.

In other news, the board decided to change its meetings to 11 a.m. the second Wednesday of the month.

Michael Rybka is a freelance writer. He can be reached at 475-8597.

Band to perform at local bookstore

The Royal Garden Trio will perform a free concert 2 p.m. Saturday at Little Professor Book Center, 1250 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

The trio — comprising Tom Bogardus on tenor guitar and clarinet, Brian Delaney on acoustic and electric guitars, and Mike Karoub on cello — will play music from its debut compact disc. The group's music is

inspired by music from the 1920s through '50s. It's danceable and spiked with humor, romance and surprises.

The CD features guest appearances by Rod McDonald on rhythm guitar in a song titled "Louisiana Fairy Tale," as well as Gian Paulo on upright bass in "I'll See You In My Dreams" and "Blue Drag."

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Fred Mills and Jack Merkel, who both served on the original study committee, were in third and fourth places, respectively, with 216 and 213 votes.

Village Trustee Dale Schumann garnered 191 votes, while Village President Richard Steele collected 182.

Attorney Stanley Burke, also one of the original committee members, garnered 174 votes and Village Council Trustee Cheri Albertson grabbed 162. Council Trustee Janice Orbring, whose two-year term expires in March, collected 158 votes to round out the nine commissioners.

Chris Rode, chairman of the Village Planning Commission, just missed the cut, garnering 155 votes.

Former council member Frank Hammer came in with 139, former Chelsea Fire Chief Paul "Bud" Hanker collected 137, local businessman Ric Sauer got 123 votes and Council Trustee Charles Ritter garnered 116.

Feeney said Tuesday that now the election is behind her, she is excited about what the future has in store.

"This will be a great group to work with, although I'm

sorry all 14 couldn't work on the commission," she said. "It will be an intense time ahead of us."

"I'm very humbled by the confidence shown in me."

Feeney said members of the group, who will attend a minimum of 25 public meetings in the next 90 days while working on the new charter, will decide on a schedule at the time of their swearing in this afternoon.

Village President Richard Steele said Tuesday that it will be a tightly scheduled process.

"I'm very pleased to be serving on the commission, and look forward to working with the other individuals to come up with a charter that will ensure members of the community will have good access to local government and the way government will run in the future," he said.

The commission has the opportunity to take Chelsea from a General Law Village to a city. The charter will name the community and structure its government, describe elections, cover boundaries, mayor and council duties, departments, powers, finance and taxation, as well as miscellaneous other activities.

Local voters will be asked to give the charter the

thumbs up after it receives approval from Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

Should the charter not be adopted within a period of two years, the incorporation process ends.

If the process is successful, Chelsea will become the fifth city in Washtenaw County, joining Ann Arbor, Saline, Ypsilanti and Milan.

Fred Mills said Tuesday

that helping to create Chelsea's new charter should be a very interesting experience.

"Now the hard part really begins," he said. "I was very pleased at the quality of candidates who came forward. They are a great group of people and any one of them would have been a good choice. I'm very pleased to be serving on the commission."

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DID JESUS EVER SIN?

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The same Barna poll referred to in last week's article discovered that 42% of Americans agree with the statement, "When He lived on earth, Jesus sinned, like other people." This is not surprising, and it is encouraging that yet today 50% still disagreed with that statement.

It's easy to see why people would think Jesus had to have sinned: We are so accustomed to sinning and being sinful, we can't conceive of a human being who isn't sinful.

Maybe that's the key: A human being. If Jesus was merely a human being, it would be impossible to conceive of Him being without sin. The fact is, Jesus was fully human, and still is; but at the same time He was fully God, and still is.

The fact that Jesus is God enabled Him to resist all temptations, and the Bible is very clear in saying, "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in His mouth" (1 Peter 2:22).

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Village to allow homeowners to move into new subdivision

■ Council grants waivers to Chelsea Fairways developer.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

New homeowners should be able to move into their digs at Chelsea Fairways within a matter of weeks.

The Chelsea Village Council authorized Zoning Administrator Jim Drolett last week to grant certificates of occupancy on all housing starts that currently have zoning permits. The homes, built by Cook Development at Chelsea Fairways, are located at Old US-12 and Freer Road.

Previously the council

had authorized certificates of occupancy to be issued until Oct. 1, 2002, and after that date the developer had to have Freer Road completed," Drolett said Friday.

"Because it was not completed, the developer had to come before council. At the time the council put the original restriction on, there had been no work started on Freer Road."

Ron Cook appealed to the council Jan. 14, saying 10 certificates are needed to prevent further delays in home closings. Cook, who is now the sole builder of the project, said that the Freer Road construction would be completed in the spring.

So far, the sub-grade, edge drain and aggregate sub-base

have been completed on 60 percent of the road. In addition, a new culvert has been installed.

Cook said recent delays are related to the relocation of a gas line.

According to a letter from Phil Carroll of the Washtenaw County Road Commission, the road was opened for two-way traffic in December.

Cook said landscaping is being completed and water lines will be hooked up. He said he wants to let buyers move in within the next two weeks and he expects all the homes to sell by the summer.

Kent Ashton Walton is a freelance writer. He can be reached via e-mail at kentwalton@earthlink.net.

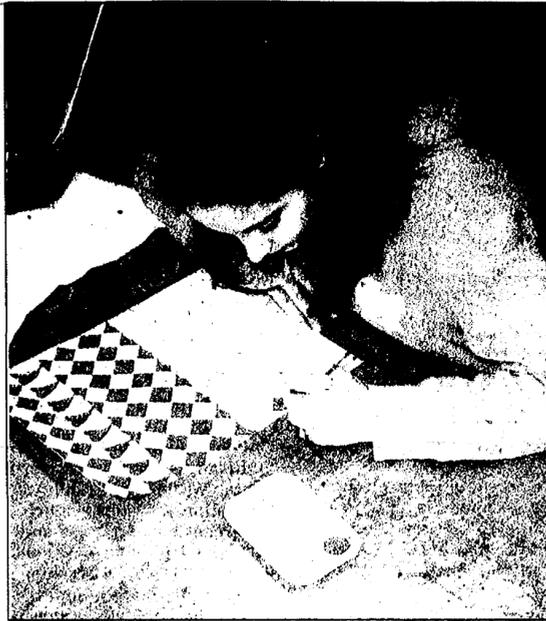


Photo by Rita Fischer

Pretty in Pink

Renee Carey, a seventh-grader at Beach Middle School, focuses on her optical art assignment in teacher Bev Yelsik's class.

CHELSEA FIRE REPORT

Jan. 15

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 2000 block of McKinley Road in Lima Township. A person with an altered level of consciousness was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 200 block of Silver Maples Drive in Chelsea Village. A person who had fallen was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

Jan. 16

• Firefighters were dispatched to Interstate 94 and Notten Road in Sylvan Township to investigate a possible vehicle engine fire. No further details were available.

Jan. 17

• Firefighters investigated a fire alarm in the 13000 block of Riker Road in Dexter Township. Smoke from a fire in the fireplace set off the alarm.

Jan. 18

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 400 block of McKinley Street in Chelsea Village. Someone with breathing difficulties was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters were canceled en route to a mutual-aid call with Dexter Area Fire Department at a house fire in the 4000 block of Kinghill Drive in Dexter Township.

Jan. 19

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 200 block of Fletcher Road in Lima Township. A person suffering chest pain was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters were dispatched to a chimney fire in the 1000 block of Kernwood Drive in Sylvan Township.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 19000 block of Old US-12 in Sylvan Township. Someone with dia-

betic-related problems was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters were dispatched to a single car crash at I-94 and Kalmbach Road in Sylvan Township. A driver who lost control of a vehicle and hit a tree was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital with neck and back pain.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 400 block of Main Street in Chelsea Village. A child was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 13000 block of Jerusalem Road in Lima Township. Someone with cuts was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters were dispatched to a single car rollover on I-94 and Kalmbach Road in Sylvan Township. Someone was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital with a broken finger.

• Firefighters were dispatched to Hankerd and North Territorial roads in Dexter Township. They found a heavily damaged car in a ditch but no one at the scene.

Jan. 20

• Firefighters were called to a car crash on Scio Church Road near Lima Center Road. There were only minor injuries.

• Firefighters were dispatched to a two-car crash at I-94 and Pierce Road in Sylvan Township. An east-bound car crossed the median and struck a west-bound car. Three people were taken to the University of Michigan Hospital with neck and back injuries. Michigan State Police troopers were also on the scene. The highway was closed in both directions.

• Firefighters were called to a single car rollover crash at I-94 and Kalmbach Road.

The Dexter Area Fire Department was called to help and Michigan State Police were also on the scene. Two people were taken to the University of Michigan Hospital.

• The Chelsea Area Fire Department asked the Dexter Area Fire Department to handle a car crash at I-94 and Dancer Road in Lima Township because Chelsea firefighters were already on the scene of two crashes.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 13000 block of Jerusalem Road in Lima Township. Someone who fell was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters investigated a carbon monoxide alarm in the 8000 block of Clear Lake Road in Waterloo Township. It turned out to be a false alarm, however.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 14000 block of Harvey Road in Waterloo Township. No details were available.

Information provided by the Chelsea Area Fire Authority.

Friends of Library to host Jan. 31 dinner

Friends of the Chelsea District Library will hold its 13th annual Staff Appreciation Dinner 6:30 p.m. Jan. 31 in the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room.

State Librarian Christie Brandau will be the keynote speaker. She will discuss the importance of community advocacy and the supportive role Friends play.

The dinner is an annual opportunity for Friends members to show their gratitude for library staff.

The community may attend. Dinner costs \$30 per person and includes Friends membership. Membership is \$10 for an individual or \$20 per family.

Friends of the Chelsea District Library was organized in 1949. Since that time it has provided support for the library in the form of fund-raising, public advocacy and countless volunteer hours, including the popular

used book sales at McKune Memorial Library.

The group meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month in the library. The next meeting is Feb. 20.

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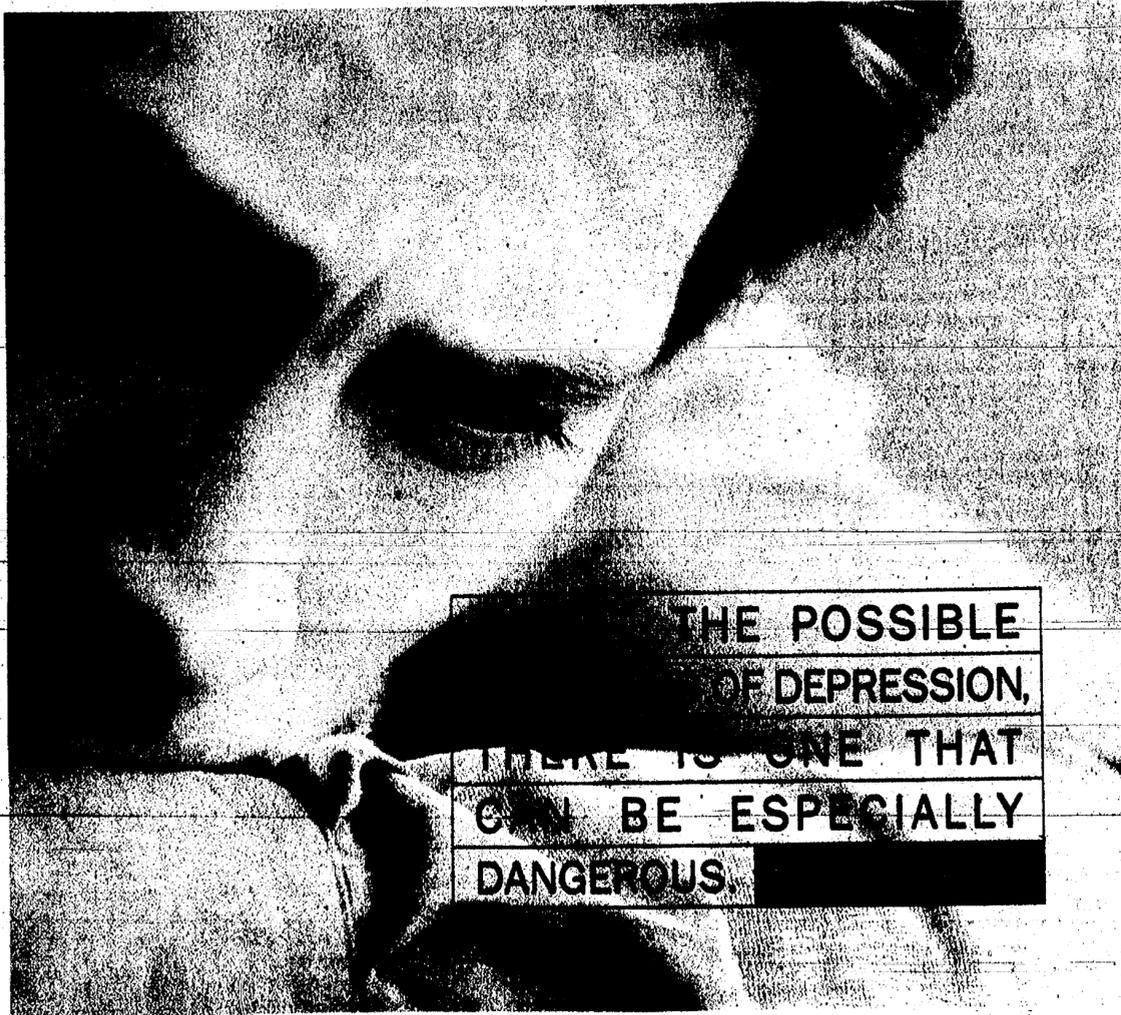
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POLICE BLOTTER

Scio Township

Larceny
A 4,000-watt generator was reported missing Jan. 15 to the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.

The equipment was last seen Jan. 9 at a construction site in Arbor Hometown subdivision off Zeeb Road. The generator is worth approximately \$1,000.

A dishwasher was reported missing Jan. 10 from a home under construction on Versailles Avenue.

The house is not occupied and the dishwasher is worth approximately \$1,000.

Check Forgery

The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department is investigating a case of forgery.

Two checks, totaling more than \$900, were recently accepted for payment at West Arbor Animal Clinic, 6011 Jackson Road.

The clinic realized that the checks were faulty after the bank returned them to the clinic because of insufficient funds.

The checks were registered to a Swartz Creek resident. The person who wrote them told office workers that she had permission to use the account.

The clinic tried calling the suspect's cellular phone in December, but it was disconnected.

Fleeing and Eluding Police

A 20-year-old Whitmore Lake woman was arrested Jan. 13 for fleeing and eluding an officer.

A sheriff's deputy attempted to stop the woman near Zeeb Road and Interstate 94 for driving with an improper license plate.

When the woman noticed that a deputy was following, she sped up and lost control of her vehicle, driving into a ditch on Zeeb Road north of Scio Road.

The woman told deputies that she was afraid to stop because she wasn't sure if she had her vehicle's registration. She was also ticketed for driving 80 mph in a 45-mph zone.

Shoplifting

An 18-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested for shoplifting Jan. 12 at Meijer Inc., 5645 Jackson Road.

The man was attempting to steal a package of cigarette lighters. A store employee alerted a loss prevention officer after he noticed that the man put the merchandise in his coat pocket.

The suspect was arrested and taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Drunken Driving

A 59-year-old Ann Arbor woman was arrested Jan. 11 for drunken driving.

Sheriff's deputies stopped the woman because she was weaving her vehicle into other lanes on Jackson Road near Zeeb Road.

Deputies could smell a strong odor of alcohol on her breath. They also noticed that her eyes looked blood shot.

She told deputies that she was having problems with her boyfriend and she needed to get out of the house to clear her head. She told deputies that she was going to a local bar to meet a friend.

Deputies gave her a Breathalyzer test. Her blood-alcohol level was 0.23 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under state law. She was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Property Damage

A Dexter High School student reported to the sheriff's department Jan. 17 that someone damaged her car. The car was parked at the high school, 2200 N. Parker Road.

The student told deputies that she parked it in the high school parking lot at 8 p.m. She returned an hour later and noticed the front turn signal light was smashed.

Bomb Threat

Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies responded to a bomb threat Jan. 18 at Travel America truck stop on Baker Road.

The truck stop was evacuated for a short time following a threat in which a caller

claimed 120 pounds of explosives would be detonated at 8 p.m.

Deputies used bomb-sniffing dogs to search the area, but no explosives were found.

Dexter Township

Drunken Driving

Deputies arrested a 27-year-old Detroit man Jan. 12 for drunken driving near North Territorial and Dexter Townhall roads.

Deputies were initially called to a car in the ditch. When they arrived at the scene, the vehicle's driver was standing nearby. He said he was driving to Lansing to see his girlfriend when he lost control of his vehicle.

Deputies could smell a strong odor of alcohol on his breath and suspected that the driver had been drinking alcohol.

The man was given a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was 0.15 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk. He was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Webster Township

Larceny

Approximately 200 checks were reported missing Jan. 11 from a home in Webster Township.

A township resident discovered that the checks were missing after her bank contacted her and told her of a \$500 discrepancy in her checking account.

The victim noticed that a check had been written for \$529.97 to Meijer Inc. in Brighton. The woman does not recall shopping at the store.

The check was one of several ordered and was to be delivered to the woman's residence. She believes someone may have stolen the checks from her mailbox. The woman closed the bank account.

Chelsea Village

Warrant Arrest

Chelsea Police officers arrested a 49-year-old Chelsea man on a warrant Jan. 18 near Old US-12 and Freer Road.

The man was initially stopped for speeding. Officers checked his identification with the Law Enforcement Information Network and discovered the warrant. He was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Assault

Chelsea Police broke up a fight Jan. 18 between an employee of Mancino's Pizza and Grinder, 1250 S. Main St., and a Chelsea resident.

The employee was attempting to stop the man from driving from Old Manchester Road onto M-52. He reportedly told the man that it's illegal to cut through private property.

The man said he told the employee that he had picked up his daughter from the Arctic Coliseum and was thinking about eating at the restaurant, but changed his mind.

The victim said the employee punched him in the face with a closed hand as he was trying to turn around.

Compiled by Staff Writer Will Keeler based on reports filed with Chelsea Police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.

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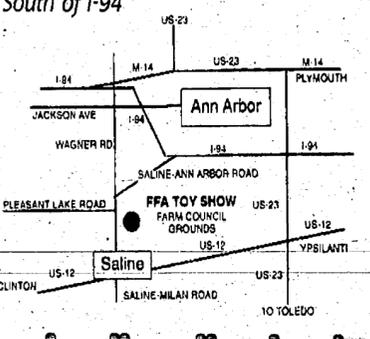
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COMMENTARY

Thursday, January 23, 2003

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Street Talk

By Rita Fischer
What do you think about a possible war with Iraq?



"We should have taken care of business when we were there last time."
Scott Klatt
 Sylvan Township



"I'm not for war. My son could get called to serve. It worries me."
Carol Ledford
 Lyndon Township



"I do not see a reason for it."
Bob Calkins
 Lyndon Township



"It's a warning to America — you attacked us, we need to fight back."
Geanlnna Rodriguez
 Sylvan Township



"I'm worried about the gas prices going up."
Jesse Stewart
 Waterloo Township

Listen to what your body tells you



LISA CAROLYN
MARCHING TO A DIFFERENT BEAT

I always had been a huffer and puffer when I ran. It never stopped me from play-

ing sports, but it did stop me from being able to compete in any sports that required stamina.

Running a 50-yard dash was a piece of cake, but running the 600-yard dash was my semi-annual school nightmare. Somehow, I'd make it in the required time, but it took everything I had and then some.

I wrote a column a few months ago about playing soccer for the first time and panting like a braying donkey. I'm still playing soccer, but I'm

barely panting these days.

That's because a friend and teammate recognized my "braying" as sounding like asthma. She had noticed the same thing about my wheezing while laughing.

I visited my doctor who then sent me to the pulmonary-cardiac unit of a local hospital. They gave me a pulmonary function test to see if, indeed, I do have asthma.

The technician administered a series of breathing tests, and then asked me to inhale a chemical called

methacholine that simulates the demands of exercise on the lungs.

The results: I not only have exercise-induced asthma, but a mild form of the condition under relaxed circumstances.

Forty-three years of huffing and puffing, and only now I find out that it could have easily been controlled. I could have been a marathoner if only...

The truth is that I'm relieved, and treating my asthma will add lots of stami-

na to my soccer game. The frustration is that nobody every noticed it before now, and that I never knew enough to say anything to a doctor.

The lesson is that nobody knows your body as well as you do. Whether you have a quirky rhythm to your heartbeat, an occasional spasm in your gut or a heck of a time drawing sufficient breath, it's well worth telling your doctor.

The results may give you the chance to march to a different beat.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Peace activists don't want senseless war

Last week's letter to the editor ("Pray for peace, but support troops") asked us to avoid the same mistakes we made after the Vietnam War by shunning our veterans.

With all due respect to the writer, the focus of an ever-growing number of Americans is on preventing another such senseless war before it happens.

I had the privilege of visiting the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., last Friday night with two of my sisters. Our brother fought in the Vietnam War; he lost many good friends and he came home scarred for life.

The memorial's 58,226 names of those who died should move life-loving Americans to resist the idea that war is inevitable.

Pray? Yes, but we should also do everything within our power to prevent one more young man or woman from dying in an unnecessary war undeclared by Congress.

As we do so, we must also reject appeals to patriotism or support of our troops that distract us from taking seriously our ultimate responsibility for all U.S. foreign policy.

Gary Maveal
 Chelsea Village

Administrators should re-examine some rules

Rules have a need everywhere. They keep people in line and show people boundaries. But some people say that rules were made to be broken, such as the no backpack rule at Chelsea High School.

No backpacks may be carried in the hallways or to class from 8:10 a.m. to 2:48 p.m. The rule was made in response to crowding in the hallways and to supposedly "protect kids from health dangers".

Some rules just make everything difficult. The backpack rule makes everything so much harder on students. Most of the students at Chelsea High School now have to stop at their locker between each class.

In addition, administrators are enforcing a stricter tardy policy. So, basically, even though students have to work twice as hard to go to their lockers with the hallway so jammed, they have to be on time to class or slapped with a 35-minute detention. It's an hour detention for the second offense and an in-school suspension for the third.

I have Spanish class on the bottom floor of the school. After class, I have to sprint upstairs and to the other side of the school to get to my locker, grab my history books, and then run all the way down the hallway to make it on time. I've been told to carry my Spanish stuff along with my World History books, but all of those books are heavy and bulky.

I never said I didn't like rules; I need them. Everyone does. But there are issues

that people need to think about before they make these rules, like how they are affecting the people around them.

All I ask is that someone either change the backpack rule or the tardy rule. The students can't handle both.

Brittney Brown
 Waterloo Township

War should be our last line of defense

My nephew is a sharp shooter in the U.S. Army. He is beginning his 10th year of duty and has spent most of his service time in Korea. He has been in the Middle East since September 2002.

My brother-in-law was a thrice-decorated Marine captain and Vietnam War veteran. My father served in the U.S. Navy. We can trace our family history of military service to the Civil War.

I have a son of military age. I support, respect and admire our troops for their service and duty to country. I thank God for the sacrifices of all the men and women who served our country and paid the ultimate price. I know freedom isn't free.

Our country stands for ideals that are higher and greater than greed for oil, higher and greater than wanton destruction of human life in a lust for natural resources that are currently being wastefully used to the destruction of our environment and our quality of life.

I will not support a war for oil lust, for personal revenge or greed. War does not support our troops; we proud Americans do.

I wish to offer all of the brave men and women of our military my heartfelt prayer of support. If there is no war, they can all come home alive.

Our country is founded on freedom and the defense of liberty. War should be the last line of this defense when everything else fails. It should not be an act of offense.

Lorin Kummer
 Dexter Township

Americans need to defend themselves

The Chelsea Standard has given front-page publicity (Jan. 9 edition) to a small band of anti-war protesters, which I guess is justifiable as newsworthy but somewhat unbalanced as the reasons for military action in Afghanistan and, perhaps, Iraq, are not discussed in your several columns report-

ing their efforts.

In my view, the Islamist attack on our homeland in September 2001, the 1992 attack on the World Trade Center and the attempted attack on the West Coast in the late '90s, demonstrate a determined Islamist enemy threatens us.

It's an enemy who will hit us at home repeatedly as their capability allows.

Our military efforts in Afghanistan and elsewhere have degraded Islamist capabilities to strike our home, but their various attacks around the world (Bali, for example), clearly show they are not yet defeated.

We can expect further attacks upon our homeland unless our military and diplomatic actions can keep them off balance and on the run without sanctuary.

Those who may be receptive to the views of our local band of peace activists need to understand the enemy we now face has hijacked a religion. Numerous Islamic leaders and clerics are on record advocating the killing of as many Americans as possible, whenever possible.

They do this not because of what Americans have done, but because of who we are and the principles we stand for. Their goal is not to right some injustice perpetrated on Palestinians, Arabs, in general, or anyone else. Their insane goal is to establish Islamic rule everywhere that they can.

They are as deranged as the Nazis of 1939 and we better respond accordingly. If Americans attempt appeasement of this enemy, we will make the same mistake Europe made in appeasement of Nazi Germany.

To not strike at the Islamic forces at war with us, the several Arab governments who surreptitiously support them or any who may provide them with nuclear, biological or chemical weapons, would be a gross neglect of the first and primary responsibility of the U.S. government. The government is charged with protecting the nation.

When you have a choice, peace is preferable to war. But war was thrust upon us in 2001 and thousands of Americans were killed that year in the terrorist attacks. We cannot let that go unanswered.

Our local peace activists have been quoting Martin Luther King Jr., a genuine peaceful hero. In the situation we are now faced with, perhaps we need to quote

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another American hero — "Let's roll."

Tom Caplis
 Sylvan Township

Letter of impending war was outrageous

I have been reading letters to the editor in reference to an impending war with Iraq and Kathie and John Gourlays' letter was finally enough to put me over the top.

In their letter, they arrogantly tried to rewrite scripture. In their new and improved version of Abraham and God's conversations pertaining to Sodom, they substituted Abraham with George, and he and God conversed about saving Baghdad.

There was, of course, nothing factual in the letter, but that seemed irrelevant. Their focus was on implying that President Bush has a callous hatred for the people of Baghdad and will only be satisfied with killing them.

To portray President Bush as the evil entity in this situation is mind boggling. Here is another rewrite, but this one is of the Gourlays' letter with a few facts interjected.

Yahweh (God) speaking with President Bush: George (some refer to him as President Bush) was in Yahweh's presence. Yahweh stepped forward and said, "Will you really stand by and do nothing as my innocents are tortured and murdered? Will you, the leader of the free world, not take it upon yourself to bring down evil incarnate?"

"The evil, who is Saddam Hussein, presides over the Revolutionary Command Council in Iraq. He controls all security services, is the head of state, head of the government, head of the armed forces and is the leader of the only political party in Iraq."

"You know the degradation and torture he perpetrates, with no one to stop him, George. Will you do nothing? Will you stand by, with the rest of the world, as millions (between 3 and 4) have fled their homeland, to escape the madman?"

"Others have not been so lucky, George. Too many women to name have been tortured and/or murdered by men who have only to say their honor has been besmirched."

"The torture of children is commonly practiced to ensure the parents toe the party line. Anyone who does not please Saddam Hussein can expect one of many tortures, which include eyes being gouged out, electric drills boring into their body, electric shock, rape, acid baths, and any other horror that a sick mind can dream up."

"Thousands and thousands of his own people have been murdered. Now, he seeks nuclear power to take his madness to the world at large. He is building his weapons in places you will never discover, George. Those places include railway cars, semi-trucks, basements of businesses."

"What will you do, George? Listen to those who try to make this a political issue for their own liberal agenda, or will you do what is right? The world is waiting."

George said, "Yahweh, I will accept the burden. I will do my best to protect my country and the world as I have sworn to do. I will not respond to what I think will make me popular in opinion polls. I will not let liberals, who try to obfuscate the issues, sway me."

"I will hold Saddam Hussein accountable and deliver his people and the world from the threat of nuclear disaster."

When he had finished talking to George, Yahweh went away and George returned home to do what was right.

Iraqis have become the second largest group of refugees in the world. They top the list of asylum seekers to the United Kingdom. Those that can run, do. The people of Iraq pray for the troops of the world to roll into Baghdad and deliver them.

Cheryl Moir
 Webster Township

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THURSDAY	THU. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HIGH: 12°-16° Windy and frigid with flurries.	LOW: 0°-4° Partly cloudy and very cold.	HIGH: 16°-20° Very cold with clouds and sunshine. LOW: 2°-6°	HIGH: 20°-24° Mostly cloudy and cold. LOW: 7°-11°	HIGH: 24°-28° Cloudy and cold; afternoon flurries. LOW: 10°-14°	HIGH: 23°-27° Cold with times of clouds and sun. LOW: 12°-16°



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Statistics for the week ending Jan. 20.

Temperatures:

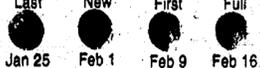
High for the week	28°
Low for the week	0°
Normal high	30°
Normal low	16°
Average temperature	13.7°
Normal average temperature	23.0°

Precipitation:

Total for the week	0.04"
Total for the month	0.44"
Total for the year	1.44"
Normal for the month	1.47"
% of normal this month	30%
% of normal this year	30%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday 7:57 a.m.
 Sunset Thu. night 5:37 p.m.
 Moonrise Thursday 11:58 p.m.
 Moonset Thursday 11:10 a.m.



NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W	City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W	City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W	City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W
Alton	11/5/sf	18/11/pc	Buffalo	10/0/ef	15/7/sf	Denver	42/18/pc	48/24/s	Knoxville	20/11/sf	28/11/pc
Albany	7/2/c	14/3/pc	Burlington, IA	8/3/pc	16/9/pc	Des Moines	5/5/pc	17/10/sf	Las Vegas	66/44/pc	66/42/s
Annapolis	44/30/pc	56/24/pc	Burlington, VT	8/3/pc	3/3/pc	Duluth	0/9/pc	10/0/pc	Lexington, KY	16/8/pc	22/13/pc
Anchorage	21/8/s	16/8/pc	Casper	33/22/c	40/25/pc	El Paso	62/34/s	60/32/pc	Lincoln	9/1/pc	18/14/c
Atlanta	30/13/pc	34/18/s	Cedar Rapids	5/7/pc	15/5/sf	Fairbanks	-2/21/pc	-4/27/pc	Little Rock	30/10/pc	31/18/pc
Atlantic City	20/12/c	24/12/pc	Charleston, SC	38/22/pc	41/20/s	Fargo	-8/14/pc	8/4/sf	Los Angeles	71/52/pc	71/52/s
Austin	45/31/pc	52/34/pc	Charleston, WV	16/12/ef	21/12/pc	Flagstaff	54/25/pc	52/22/s	Louisville	18/10/pc	22/12/pc
Baltimore	24/8/pc	22/8/pc	Charlotte	30/14/pc	36/16/s	Fort Wayne	12/0/sf	18/6/pc	Madison	5/4/pc	14/3/pc
Baton Rouge	44/21/pc	48/27/s	Chesapeake	34/14/c	44/24/s	Gary	11/1/ef	15/2/pc	Mammoth	24/12/c	32/21/pc
Billings	32/25/c	42/27/c	Chicago	12/2/sf	18/6/pc	Green Bay	9/2/sf	17/3/sf	Miami	74/52/pc	64/46/pc
Birmingham	30/12/pc	36/18/s	Cincinnati	14/8/pc	19/16/pc	Honolulu	35/23/c	35/22/s	Milwaukee	12/5/sf	17/8/pc
Bismarck	-4/10/sn	18/18/c	Cleveland	10/10/sf	18/13/pc	Honolulu	82/66/s	82/66/sh	Minneapolis	0/6/pc	14/4/sf
Boise	16/4/pc	14/3/pc	Columbia, MO	11/0/pc	22/15/sf	Houston	52/38/pc	53/40/pc	Mobile	42/21/pc	41/18/s
Boston	46/30/c	42/32/c	Columbus, OH	14/2/sf	16/11/pc	Indianapolis	14/2/pc	17/7/pc	Monroe	19/8/sf	27/11/pc
Brownsville	61/48/pc	61/52/c	Dallas	35/25/pc	45/31/pc	Juneau	19/11/pc	23/17/c	New Orleans	45/30/pc	44/30/s
			Davenport	6/7/pc	13/3/pc	Kansas City	12/2/pc	20/18/sf	New York	19/16/pc	23/18/pc

LOCAL WEATHER



MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	14/2/sf	18/6/pc
Battle Creek	11/0/sf	19/4/pc
Bay City	12/1/sf	17/5/pc
Coldwater	13/3/sf	15/5/pc
Dearborn	14/6/sf	20/12/pc
Detroit	14/2/sf	20/10/pc
Grand Rapids	12/2/sf	16/9/pc
Holland	15/7/sf	16/7/sf
Jackson	12/2/sf	18/6/pc
Kalamazoo	12/0/sf	18/4/sf
Lansing	13/3/sf	18/7/pc
Livonia	17/5/sf	19/10/pc
Midland	15/8/sf	16/8/pc
Monroe	14/4/sf	18/7/pc
Muskegon	16/8/sf	16/14/sf
Pontiac	14/3/sf	18/5/pc
Port Huron	14/7/sf	19/8/pc
Saginaw	14/2/sf	19/9/pc
Sault Ste. Marie	10/1/ef	16/4/sf
Sturgis	11/2/sf	17/3/pc
Troy	0/7/sn	15/1/sf
Traverse City	15/7/sf	16/11/pc
Warren	14/7/sf	19/12/pc

TRAVEL

Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
 An arctic area of high pressure will result in very cold weather Thursday and Friday with temperatures 10-15 degrees below normal. Some flurries are also likely Thursday.

REAL FEEL TEMPTM

The exclusive AccuWeather RealFeel Temperature measures how the air feels, taking into account all weather factors including temperature, humidity, wind, precipitation and sunshine. Shown is the highest realfeel temperature for each day.

Highest Thursday	10°
Highest Friday	10°
Highest Saturday	16°
Highest Sunday	20°

SOLUNAR TABLE

Four-day forecast indicates peak feeding times for fish and game.

Major Minor Major Minor
 Thu: 8:50 a.m. - 10:03 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. - 10:27 p.m.
 Fri: 8:43 a.m. - 10:58 a.m. - 5:07 p.m. - 11:20 p.m.
 Sat: 8:34 a.m. - 11:47 a.m. - 5:59 p.m. - 12:17 p.m.
 Sun: 8:24 a.m. - 12:12 a.m. - 6:51 p.m. - 12:37 p.m.

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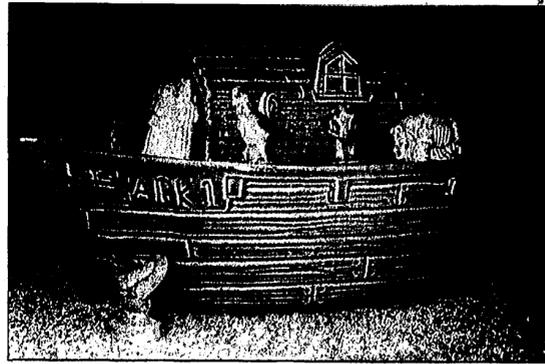
Highest Thursday 11. Minimal.
 The ultraviolet index is a guide to exposure to the sun. The higher the UV index number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

COMMUNITY

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W miniature World



Sylvan Township man collects Wade figurines

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

When Norm and Lorena Wenk say their house is a zoo, they're not kidding. But the animals in their Sylvan Township home are just a couple of inches tall and made of porcelain.

Norm Wenk enjoys collecting Wade figurines, a hobby he started more than two decades ago. He tries to build up one set at a time, either through the mail or by visiting antique shops and dealers.

Wenk started his collection with 24 Mother Goose nursery rhyme figurines that he bought at a garage sale for about \$40. He says the geese remind him of his childhood on a Freedom Township farm.

"My mother told me to stay away from the geese when they laid their eggs," he says. "We would tease them till they would chase

us." The Mother Goose characters are his favorites. Raised in a family with a German heritage, Wenk was not familiar with the nursery rhymes in his boyhood. "I never read them as a child and we never read them to our kids," he says.

After finding the nursery rhyme figurines, Wenk bought an old nursery rhyme book to learn more about the characters.

He bought a porcelain Noah's Ark to house many of his animal figurines. A member of Zion Lutheran Church in Freedom Township, he says the little ark reminds him of church.

His collection had to be downsized when he and Lorena moved from a large home in Freedom Township to their current residence in Sylvan Township. He got rid of a beer can collection as his Wade collection grew.

"I had a beer can collection of 10,000 pieces with figurines, mirrors, signs and trays," he says. "I sold it all to downscale."

Wenk displays his figurines in antique trays that once held printing type in the days of hot metal lead. His collection includes farm, zoo and circus animals, endangered species, Disney figures, dinosaurs and circus figures and a 65-piece Whimsies set, dating from 1971 to 1984.

The collection is currently close to 400 figurines, not counting duplicates. However, Wenk says a friend in Ypsilanti, with whom he trades pieces, easily has him beat, with more than 2,000 figurines.

Lorena says she supports her husband's hobby as it gives him something to do in retirement, but draws the line at dusting the ornaments.

"I think he just blows the dust off them," she says.

Wenk's children help their father build his collection. His daughter, Anita, introduced him to the Internet and e-Bay auctions, but Wenk was not impressed. He finds the collector sites to be overpriced.

So, he continues to collect in a low-tech fashion, with good old-fashioned hunting through yard sales and antique shows, and by mailing dealers.

He and Lorena often stop in shops on their way to and from their cabin in Alpena. He also finds some of the newer figurines in boxes of Red Rose tea.

Lorena says that when a friend called from Manchester early one morning to tell her husband that several figurines were at a yard

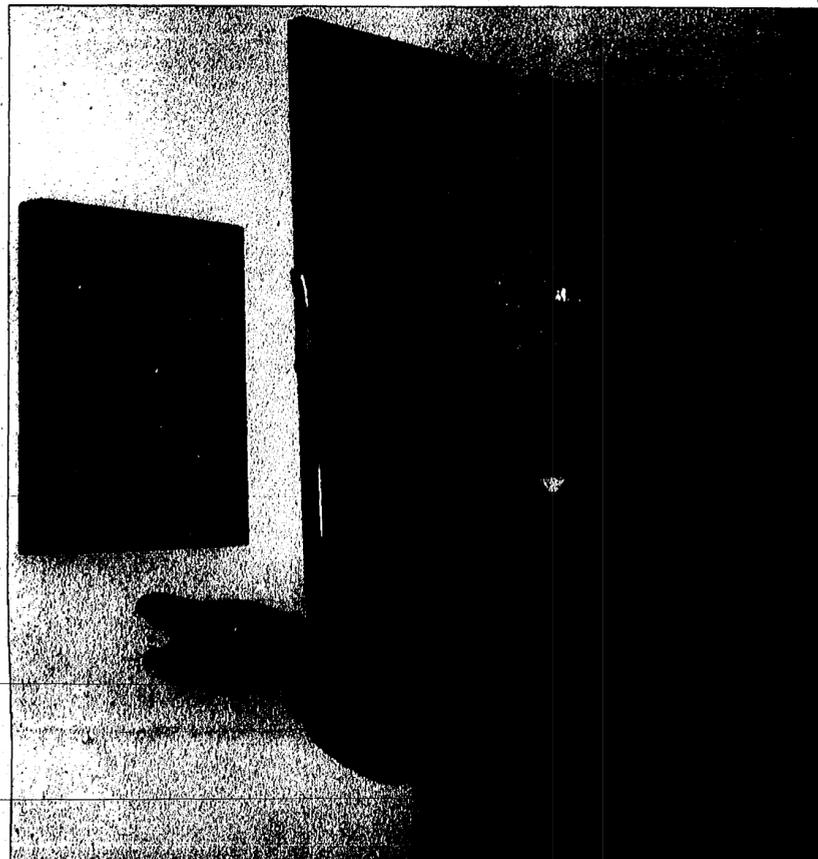


Photo by Rita Fischer

Sylvan Township resident Norm Wenk has been collecting Wade figurines for over 20 years. His collection includes Disney characters, circus, zoo and farm animals. His favorites are Mother Goose nursery rhyme figurines.

Wade collectibles

• Wade Ceramics Ltd. traces its origins back via two potteries, to the early and mid-18th centuries in England.

• Originally, the Wade family ran several potteries, including George Wade & Sons Ltd., which began in 1810.

• Over time, the potteries amalgamated, resulting in the formation of Wade Potteries Limited.

• In 1989, the company was renamed Wade Ceramics Limited after being acquired by Beauford.

• Wade has produced a wide variety of collectibles, including animals, birds, dinosaurs, nursery rhyme characters, Disney characters, piggy banks and jugs.

• The official International Wade Collectors Club was founded in 1994.

Source: www.worldcollectorsnet.com/wade



Critz follows father's footsteps

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Jill Critz tried to buck the trend.

Despite coming from a family of educators, the Beach Middle School teacher-consultant started out studying business in college. She was determined to do something different in her family and become an independent businesswoman.

But her genes won out in the end.

Critz said her father, an educator and coach for 34 years, piqued her interest in teaching.

"In the long run, I wanted to be just like him — a great teacher and coach," she says.

"After 69 credits in the business world, I decided that something was missing. That 'something' was working with children and families. That 'something' was also the feeling of making a difference in somebody's life."

After switching her studies to education, Critz received an undergraduate degree in special education from Western Michigan University

and a master's degree in education administration from Oakland University.

Her siblings evidently felt the same way. Her brother teaches first grade in Portage and her sister is getting her master's degree in school social work.

Critz started out as a special educator in Eaton Rapids before moving on to spend six years in Lake Orion. Last year, she worked at Lincoln Middle School in Ypsilanti after moving to the Ann Arbor area to be closer to her family and fiancé.

She was hired as a teacher-consultant at Beach Middle School in the fall. She also teaches reading and math. The Sturgis native was happy to join two other Chelsea employees who hail from Sturgis — athletic secretary Sue Meyers and athletic trainer Chris Stuart.

"It was nice to know a few people starting fresh at a new school," she says.

Critz says that working with children can be "one of the most rewarding experiences one can ask for."

And it also has its humorous side, she says. In fact,

she's currently documenting several quotes and incidents that have happened throughout her nine-year career for a book she plans to write.

Critz cites her father as her inspiration and mentor. But like most offspring, she tried hard not to be like her father when she was growing up.

"As it turns out, we are so similar in many ways," she says. "After I decided to discontinue the business world, what I found was a wonderful, kind man whom everyone loved. Everyone wanted to be in his government class. Everyone wanted to play football or run track for him. Everyone wanted to learn to drive from him."

"And some came to live with us when they didn't have anywhere else to go."

Critz says she decided to take the wonderful qualities her father had as an educator and try to make a difference in the lives of her students just as her father did.

Critz was familiar with Chelsea because her aunt

and uncle live in the area and she had visited several times. She was also impressed with the four interviews she had to undergo before being offered a job with the school district.

"This process told me that they are particular who they hire and they can identify who and what is best for the school district," she says.

Critz says she would like to continue building on the educational foundation for special-needs students in the school district.

"Chelsea has so many neat programs and opportunities for unique learners," she says. "I'd like to add a few more of my own ideas to make it even more progressive."

Critz, who coaches the girls' varsity tennis team and seventh-grade volleyball, played both sports at the collegiate level but now plays just for fun.

She says she has set her sights on making Chelsea a "tennis town."

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Photo by Rita Fischer

Beach Middle School teacher consultant Jill Critz considered a career in business, but switched her college major to education. Critz also coaches the girls' varsity tennis team and seventh-grade volleyball.

TEACHER FEATURE

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA Saturday, Jan. 25

Drop-in Family Story Times will be held from 10:30 to 11 a.m. for children 5 and younger at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea. No registration is required. The event is free. For more information, call 475-8732.

Pierce's Pastries Plus, 103 W. Middle St., in Chelsea presents Mochas and Music from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This week's entertainer is Chad Dube.

Sunday, Jan. 26

"The Past in Person" program will be held 2 p.m. at the Waterloo Recreation Area, Eddy Discovery Center, 17030 Bush Road, in Chelsea. Journey back in time to a lumber camp from the 1870s. The cost is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. Reservations are required. Call 475-3170.

Tuesday, Jan. 28

Chelsea Community Family Network will meet 7 p.m. at the Chelsea High School media center, 740 Freer Road, in Chelsea. Ed Greenleaf will discuss having a Chelsea Police liaison officer in the school system and the future of the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program in the schools.

Saturday, Feb. 15

Chelsea Days in Florida will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. with potluck at noon at American Condo Park, 54 West, Zephyrhills, Fla. For more information, call Joyce Schneider Rachuk at 1-813-783-2459.

The Washtenaw County Home Weatherization Program is looking for low-income county residents interested in substantially lowering their heating and electrical costs. The service is free to those who qualify and is available to homeowners, as well as renters. Renters have additional program requirements. For more information, call 1-734-484-6610, Ext. 4132.

CHELSEA MISCELLANEOUS Thursday

Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets from 2 to 3:30

p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W. Middle St. Meetings are free and confidential. Call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-337-3827.

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of each month. For more information, call 475-1145.

Congressman Nick Smith offers office hours from 4 to 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Chelsea Village Planning and Zoning Office in Chelsea State Bank, 305 S. Main St. For information, call 1-517-783-4486 or email rep.smith@mail.house.gov.

Friends of Chelsea District Library meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Call 475-2424 for more information.

Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Thursdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For reservations, call 475-7439.

Friday

Al-Anon meets 12:30 p.m. every Friday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in the White Oak Inn. For more information, call 475-1462.

Saturday

Hope Clinic, a free clinic for people with no health insurance, is held 9 a.m. to noon, on the second Saturday of the month at Faith In Action, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-3305.

Western Washtenaw Republicans meets 9 to 11 a.m. the second Saturday of each month at Wolverine Food & Spirits on Old US-12 in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-3874.

Sunday

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. For more information, call 1-800-852-9781.

Monday

Al-Anon meets 8:30 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea

Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in the Woodland Room. For more information, call 475-1462.

Chelsea AA group meetings are held 8:30 p.m. Monday, 8 p.m. Thursday and 7 p.m. Sunday at the Chelsea hospital dining room; and Tuesday at the U.A.W. Hall next to the Chelsea Post Office.

Chelsea Area Garden Club meets 12:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 433-5451.

Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at 6:15 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-5944.

Masonic Lodge 156 of Chelsea meets 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at 113 W. Middle St. in Chelsea. Call 433-1452 for more information.

Mystery Book Club meets 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at the Washington Street Education

Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Overeaters' Anonymous meets Monday nights at the Covenant Church, 50 N. Freer Road, in Chelsea. For more information, call 433-0902.

Tuesday

Chelsea District Library Board meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the Washington Street Education Center meeting room, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Chelsea Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

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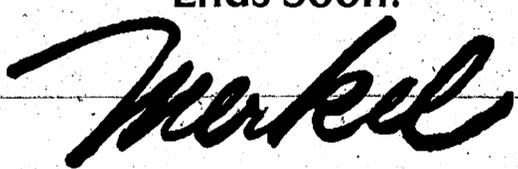
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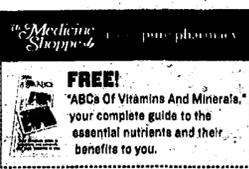
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Jennifer Bennett, Orson Beeman exchange wedding vows

Jennifer Bennett, daughter of Harold and Phyllis Bennett of Chelsea, and Orson "Lucky" Beeman III, son of Orson and Mary Ann Beeman of Chelsea, were married Oct. 12 at First United Methodist Church in Chelsea.

The Rev. Richard Dake officiated.

The matron of honor was Judy Hermosillo of Chelsea. Kimberly Monica of Chelsea, Rachel Usher of Grass Lake and Leah Kunzelman of Chelsea were bridesmaids.

Carly Ferry, was the flower girl and Zachary Bennett was the ringbearer. Both are from Chelsea.

David Beeman of Chelsea

was the best man. The groomsmen were Todd Ferry of Chelsea, Scott Reynolds of Chelsea and Bryan Talbot of Los Angeles.

A reception was held at Local 190 Union Hall in Dexter. The couple honeymooned in Traverse City and the Upper Peninsula. They reside in Jackson.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 1995 graduate of Washenaw Community College. She is a registered nurse at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Chelsea High School and is employed at Sheridan Books in Chelsea.



ENGAGED: Carrie Pratt of Grass Lake, daughter of Bob and Jan Pratt of Grass Lake, formerly of Chelsea, and Greg Johns of Bexhill-on-Sea, England, son of Jack and Veronica Johns of England, have set a June 20 wedding date. The future bride is a 1997 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 2001 graduate of Spring Arbor University. She is employed as an elementary school teacher in Jackson. The future bridegroom is a 1998 graduate of Western High School and is expecting to graduate from Spring Arbor University in May 2003 with a degree in business and psychology.



ENGAGED: Trisha Parish of Grand Rapids, daughter of Lawrence and Beverly Parish of Virginia Beach, Va., and Jim Hassett of Lake Odessa, son of Mike and Cheryl Hassett of Chelsea, have set a July 12 wedding date. The future bride has a master's degree in education and an education specialist degree from Western Michigan University. She is employed as a school psychologist at the Ionia County Intermediate School District. The future groom has a bachelor's degree in education from Eastern Michigan University, and is employed as a math teacher and coach at Lakewood High School in Lake Odessa.

BIRTHS

A son, Micah Robert Sager, was born Nov. 11 at Foote Hospital in Jackson to Angie and Bobby Pratt of Spring Arbor. Maternal grandparents are Geannie and Rodger Sager of Chelsea. Paternal grandparents are Jan and Bob Pratt of Grass Lake, formerly of Chelsea. Great-grandparents are Clare and Bonnie Shively of Ypsilanti, and Robert and Mary Pratt of Ann Arbor.

A daughter, Caleigh Jordan, was born Dec. 13 in Jackson to Marty and Nancy Elm. Maternal grandparents are Darrell and Patricia Pidd of Osseo, and Luther and Cheryl Haab of Chelsea. Paternal grandparents are Bob and Thelma Elm of Wildwood. Great-grandparents are Patricia Trinkle of Pinckney and Mabel Pidd of Chelsea.

Harder graduates from basic training

Air Force Airman Stefanie Harder has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, Harder studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies. She performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete the basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the

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- b. training pads
- c. crate
- d. none of the above

2. The lick of a cat reminds many people of the feel of what object?

- a. sandpaper
- b. marble
- c. glass
- d. oatmeal

3. Most lizards prefer to be fed a meal of what?

- a. grass
- b. sand
- c. fish
- d. crickets

4. True or False: It's okay to leave your dog in the car as long as the windows are rolled down.

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5. Which actor starred in the "Ace Ventura, Pet Detective" movies?

- a. Robin Williams
- b. Jim Carrey
- c. Ben Stiller
- d. Adam Sandler

6. Many snakes have the ability to dislocate their jaws making it possible to do what?

- a. bite harder
- b. breathe easier
- c. swallow prey whole
- d. scare away predators

7. You'll most likely find your pet hamster is most active during which time of the day?

- a. night
- b. afternoon
- c. morning
- d. never

8. Animals, including your pets, often will spray their scent around the neighborhood or house for which reason?

- a. mark their territory
- b. find their way home
- c. attract a mate
- d. all of the above

9. True or False: The healthiest diet for birds is one strictly of birdseed.

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Answers
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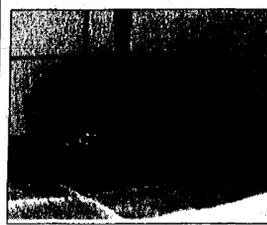
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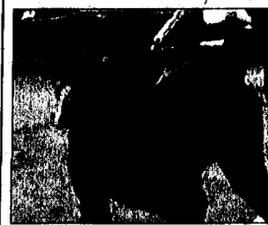
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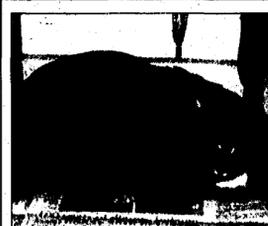
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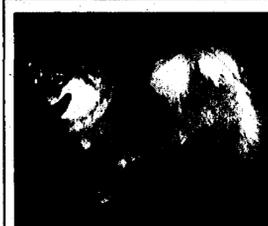
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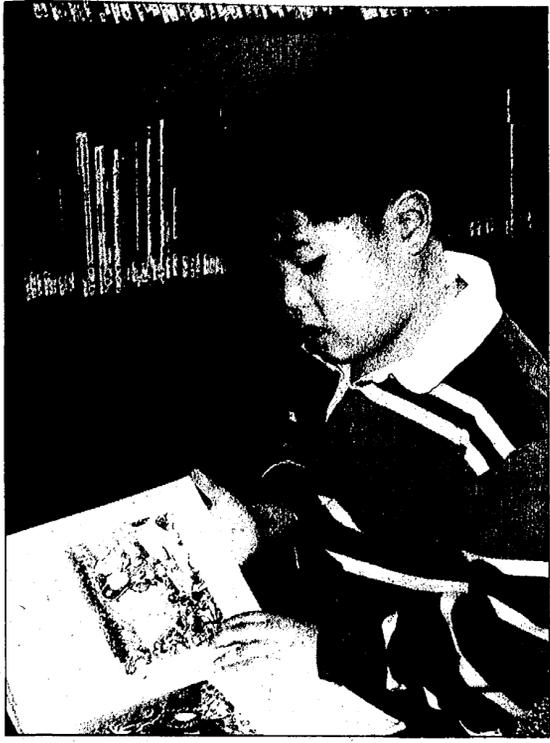
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Reading Rapture

Photo by Rita Fischer

Liam Wang of Chelsea whiles away a day of bad weather by relaxing with an engrossing book at the Chelsea District Library.

Comedy slated Feb. 1

The Chelsea Theatre Guild will present a one-act version of John Patrick's comedy "A Bad Year for Tomatoes" 8 p.m. Feb. 1 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. The show will be followed by an afterglow party. Tickets, which cost \$6, are available at Chelsea Pharmacy and at the door. Chelsea High School senior Virginia Bailey will play the lead of Myra Marlowe. Others in the cast are Scott Longpre, Chrissy Widmayer, Rachel Severin, Carolyn Paul, John McKenzie and Ty Mitchell.

CRITZ

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"I plan to implement a middle school tennis program and I would like to take a girls' program to a new level of competition," she says. In her spare time, Critz

enjoys taking long walks with her black Labrador, Judd, and on the weekends, she says, there's nothing better than a college football game. Rita Fischer is a free-lance writer. She can be reached via e-mail at ritafisch@yahoo.com.

Speaker addresses Palestinian plight

Homes being rebuilt as part of effort.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

With the eyes of the world focused on conflict in the Middle East, several Chelsea-area residents came to a Jan. 16 meeting and learned how some peace groups are trying to help homeless Palestinians.

Karen Deslierres, who calls herself an artist turned peace activist, is the outreach coordinator of the Global Campaign for Rebuilding Palestinian Homes. The Tamarack Greens, a

local political group, sponsored her visit.

Deslierres outlined for the audience what is being done at the grass-roots level to bridge the divide between Israelis and Palestinians.

Deslierres presented a short overview of the history of the conflict from her perspective, including the occupation by Israel of Palestin-

ian territory and the push to demolish Palestinian homes.

Deslierres, who has traveled twice to the area in the past 18 months, said that since the spring, more than 1,200 homes have been destroyed by military and civil actions. Since the 1967 Israeli occupation, more than 9,000 Palestinian homes have been demolished.

Groups dedicated to the home rebuilding include the Israeli Committee Against Home Demolitions, the Palestinian Land Defense Committee and the Jerusalem-Center for Social and Economic Rights. The groups, which include

both Israelis and Palestinians, have so far managed to rebuild 12 homes at a cost of \$42,000 for each 1,200-square-foot home, she said. Money is raised from a global campaign of private house party fund-raisers.

The act of having both Israelis and Palestinians working together in partnership is itself a way of promoting peace and rebuilding their society, she said. In the Israeli occupied territories, Israelis seldom get to meet Palestinians, she said.

Kent Ashton Walton is a free-lance writer. He can be reached via e-mail at kentwalton@earthlink.net.

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DEXTER

Saturday, Jan. 25

"Who Lives There?" program for children ages 3 to 5 will be held 11 a.m. at the Activity Center of Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North Territorial Road, in Dexter Township. The fee is \$2 per person and pre-registration is required. Call 426-8211 for more information.

Sunday, Jan. 26

"Swamp Thing," a program for children ages 7 and older, will be held 2 p.m. at the Activity Center of Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North Territorial Road, in Dexter Township. The fee is \$2 per child and \$5 per adult. Explore the Tamarack Swamp and look for deer, fox and

other animals. Pre-registration is required. Call 426-8211 to register or for more information.

Monday, Jan. 27

Dexter School Reproductive Health Advisory Committee will meet at 7 p.m. at Cornerstone Elementary School, 7480 Dan Hoey Road, in Dexter. The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

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Thursday

Dexter American Legion meets 8 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the American Legion Post, 8225 Dexter-Chelsea Road. For more information, call 426-5304.

Dexter Community Band meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Dexter High School band room, 2200 N. Parker Road. For informa-

tion, call 426-2734.

Dexter Historical Society meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St., in Dexter.

Dexter Rotary Club meets 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7964 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the Copeland Administration Building, 7714 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Lions Club meets 8:45 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of the month

at DAPCO Industries, 2500 Bishop Circle East, in Dexter. Call 475-8945 for information.

Monday

Dexter Board of Education meets 7:30 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month at the Copeland Administration Building, 7714 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter District Library Board meets 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter.

Dexter Village Council meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of the month at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St.

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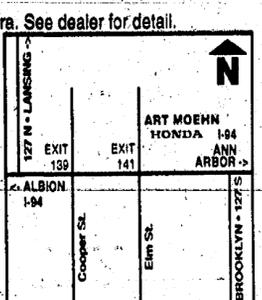
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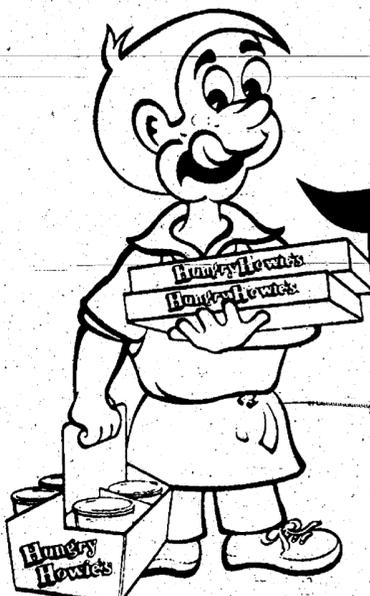
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Chelsea cagers continue to smother foes

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' basketball team continues to play strong team defense and, not surprisingly, the Bulldogs continue to rack up victories.

Last Friday, Chelsea (8-1, 2-0) shut down Southeastern Conference White Division foe Ypsilanti Lincoln in the second half, defeating the Railsplitters 75-53.

The Bulldogs haven't lost in a month, since falling to Saline Dec. 20.

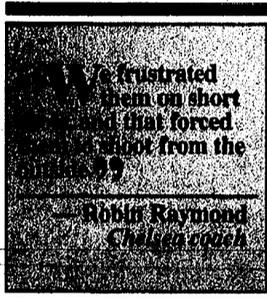
"I thought our defense did a good job and forced them (Lincoln) into hurried shots," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "We frustrated them on short shots, and that forced them to shoot from the outside."

The Bulldogs held Lincoln to 33 percent from the field on 20-of-60 shooting.

The Railsplitters, stretched to the perimeter, did manage to make 8-of-19 from beyond the arc.

With seniors center Scott Dettling (6-foot-7) and forward Paul Newhouse (6-5) patrolling the paint for Chelsea, Lincoln, whose tallest player was a 6-5 freshman, didn't have much success against the Bulldogs offensively.

"I thought we had the advantage inside on defense," Raymond said. "I



thought we could take care of their big men. Also, offensively I thought they would have a problem defending Scott and Paul (near the basket)."

With Dettling and Newhouse drawing double-teaming down low, the perimeter became wide open for Chelsea.

In the fourth quarter alone, the Bulldogs nailed four three-pointers. For the night, Chelsea finished 9-of-18 for 50 percent.

The Bulldogs began the game, taking a 14-7 first quarter lead. In the second stanza, however, Chelsea lost its edge, and Lincoln outscored the Bulldogs 17-14 heading into the break down four points, 28-24.

Chelsea's second quarter lapse didn't sit too well with Raymond.

"I thought we let up a bit," he said. "We lost some of our

intensity. We wanted to come out and jump on them in the third quarter. I thought we did that.

"We moved the ball better and our defensive pressure picked up. We were able to create turnovers. In the fourth quarter, we didn't let up."

In the second half, the Bulldogs outscored the Railsplitters 47-29, including a 25-16 third quarter.

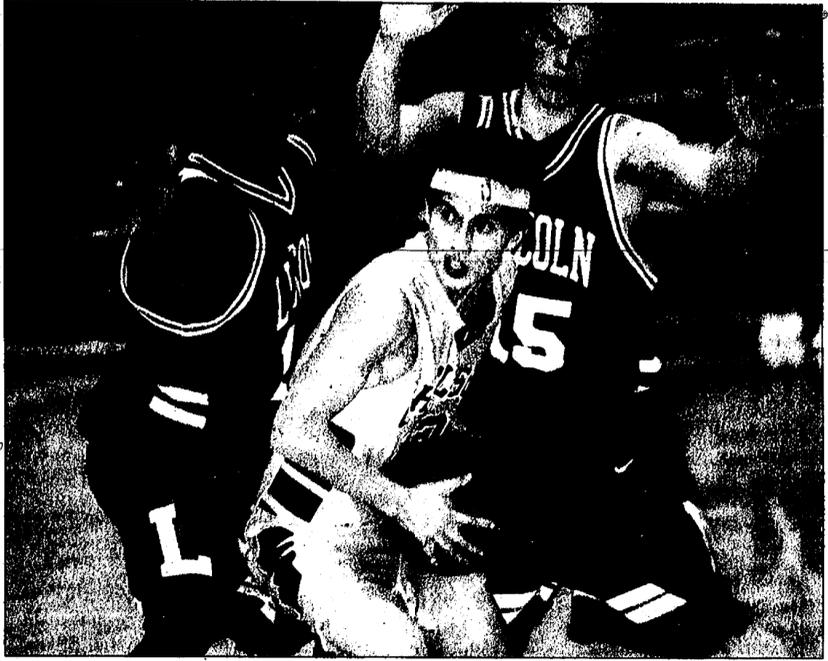
"We're at our best when we're running on defense and pushing the ball on offense," Raymond said. "We wanted to control the tempo in the second half and we did."

Newhouse paced Chelsea with 25 points, including two three-pointers, six rebounds and four blocked shots.

Senior swing player Jimmy Baker added 14 points, including three triples, three assists and two steals. Senior guard Kyle Brown also had 14 points, including three treys, five boards and two assists for the Bulldogs.

Dettling chipped in 12 points, six rebounds, six assists and five blocked shots. Senior forward Joe Myers ended up with five points, including one three-pointer.

Senior forward James Ballas had two points, four assists and four rebounds. Senior guard Bryan Hayes



Chelsea senior point guard Kyle Brown looks for a teammate to pass to during last week's game against Ypsilanti Lincoln.

had two points, while junior forward Joel Hohnke had one point and two rebounds for Chelsea.

Though not scoring, junior guard George Royce finished with four assists, three rebounds and one steal.

The Bulldogs finished 29-of-52 from the field for 56

percent. From the line, Chelsea ended up 8-of-13 for 62 percent. Lincoln was 5-of-7 for 71 percent.

On the glass, the Bulldogs out rebounded the Railsplitters 31-21.

Chelsea blocked 10 shots, compared to Lincoln's two.

The Bulldogs start a three-game road trip traveling to SEC White rival Tecumseh 7 p.m. tomorrow.

On Monday, Chelsea visits Ann Arbor Pioneer for a contest at 7 p.m.

On Jan. 31, the Bulldogs travel to Adrian for a game at 7 p.m.

Grapplers seventh at Williamston

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea wrestling finished seventh at the 19-team Williamston Invitational last Saturday.

The Bulldogs ended the meet with 105 points.

Winning the meet was Mason with 188.5 points. Belleville finished second with 166.5 points, followed by Shepherd with 156.5 points. Corunna placed fourth with 130 points, followed by New Boston Huron with 116 points and Essexville-Garber with 105 points.

The Bulldogs had four grapplers advance to the invitational finals.

Capturing an individual title at 189 pounds was Darl Bauer. In the final, he defeated Mason's Tom McDiarmid 12-8. In his other matches, Bauer pinned Russ Bean of Monroe Jefferson in 45 seconds, DuWayne Washington of Flint Central in 1:37 and Belleville's Chris Watson in 1:00.

At heavyweight, Bulldog Ross Davis lost in the finals to Shepherd's Ryan Frost on a pin in 1:40. In his other matches, Davis pinned Chris Wright of Flint Beecher in 16 seconds, New Boston Huron's Garrett Eastridge in 38 seconds and Plymouth Salem's Jeremy Walker in 1:54.

At 160 pounds, Chelsea's Adam Egeler lost a 4-3 decision to Shepherd's Henry



Chelsea's Ben Rodgers prepares to pin Dexter's Abe Burleigh during last Thursday's county wrestling tussle.

Wiles 4-3 in the final. In his other matches, Egeler pinned Tony Dirrell of Flint Central in 1:27 and Ryan Gehringer of Essexville-Garber in 1:37. He defeated Williamston's Jeremy Bloom 5-2.

At 140 pounds, Bulldog Randy Ostrowski lost to

Mason's Joel Rozeboom 7-3 in the championship match. "That was a good match," said Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel. "It was close all the way."

In his other bouts, Ostrowski defeated Salem's Randy Breden 10-1, Belleville's Nick Loos 11-3

and Williamston's Devin Young 9-2.

Rounding out Chelsea's field last weekend were Ryan Lundquist (0-2) at 119 pounds, Josh Clark (1-2) at 125 pounds, Fred Dehn (0-2) at 130 pounds, Jeremy Loe (1-

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Bulldog spikers capture invite

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea volleyball captured the Wyandotte Invitational last Saturday, defeating Okemos 28-26, 25-19 in the final.

"It was a really close match," said Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland. "They're a tall team and it was difficult to hit against them."

"But we served very aggressively. In the second game, Lindsay Tye had four aces. That gave us momentum. Our serve receive was very good and we had a balanced offensive attack all day."

In the semifinals, the Bulldogs (28-0-1) defeated Riverview Gabriel Richard 25-21, 25-20.

In pool play, Chelsea ranked No. 4 in Class A, beat Lincoln Park 25-17, 25-13; Wyandotte 25-19, 25-23; Birmingham Groves 25-16, 25-10; and Grosse Ile 25-22, 25-13.

Individually for the

Bulldogs, Tye led the way with 48 kills and 16 digs.

Senior Karri Kuczajada added 43 kills and 13 digs, while senior Anna Arend had 26 kills and 18 digs.

Junior Lindsay Parker finished with 21 kills, while senior setter Courtney Bentley had 117 assists.

"We played very well together," Cleveland said. "We had good team chemistry on the floor."

Last Thursday, Chelsea swept Southeastern Conference White Division and county rival Dexter 15-1, 15-10, 15-2.

"It was nice to get our first division win," Cleveland said. "We haven't won the league in over 10 years."

The Bulldogs next travel to SEC rival Ypsilanti Lincoln 7 p.m. today.

On Saturday, Chelsea visits Battle Creek Lakeview to participate in its invitational at 8:30 p.m.

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Shutouts spark Chelsea hockey

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea hockey has been downright defensive the past two games.

With big time goaltending and strong team play, the Bulldogs (12-5, 5-0) have won three straight games and find themselves unbeaten in league play, heading into this Saturday's clash with county rival and defending conference champion Dexter.

"As young as we are, we're doing great," said Chelsea coach Don Wright. "The boys have played very well."

Last Saturday, Chelsea blanked Pinckney 2-0 at the Arctic Coliseum.

Junior winger Craig Urwin got things rolling for the Bulldogs, scoring at the 6:43 mark of the first period, off an assist from senior center Drew Warren.

In the second period, Chelsea senior defenseman Ben Daniels made it 2-0, scoring a power play goal. Picking up assists for the Bulldogs were senior winger Luc Callow and Urwin.

Chelsea out shot the Pirates 35-14.

"We had a lot of scoring opportunities, but we didn't get the puck in the net," Wright said. "But we played pretty well defensively. They had some good opportunities, but (goalie) J.R. (Engelbert) made some strong saves. Team-wise, we played well on defense."

Last Friday, the Bulldogs shut out Saline 1-0 at Yost Arena.

A first-period power-play goal by Warren was all the scoring Chelsea would need. Callow and Urwin recorded assists on the goal.

Engelbert notched the shutout in net for the Bulldogs.

"We really limited their chances," Wright said of the Hornets. "Overall, we played well. I liked that we limited their quality scoring opportunities."

Chelsea out shot Saline 20-17.

Wright said he stressed the importance of defense to his club recently.

"We talked about it as a team," he said. "We put a lot of emphasis on playing good

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The Class A No. 4-ranked Chelsea volleyball team captured the Wyandotte Invitational last Saturday. Members of the squad include Lindsay Tye, Rachel Dotson, Megan Korc, Brittany Denison, Elise Osbeck, Kaylyn Rohkohl, Renee Johnston, Karri Kuczajada, Cynthia Johnson, Lindsay Parker, Anna Arend, Nicole Collins, Sidney Olinyk, Courtney Bentley and coach Laura Cleveland.

Beach tankers fall short against Tecumseh

Chelsea's Beach Middle School swimming and diving team lost to Tecumseh 87-83 last Monday.

The meet was so close, that a victor wasn't decided until the day's last event.

The Bulldogs began the meet well, as the foursome of Nick Armstrong, Mitch Cook, Ayla DeTroyer and Michael Lawrence finished first in the 200 medley relay.

The team of Erika Purdy, Anne Thiel, Jordan Skidmore and Hillary Phillips placed fourth, while the group of Tori Salas, Trevor Hughes, Julie Adams and Maggie Manville touched fifth for Beach.

In the 200 freestyle, Rick Kinsey finished second for the Bulldogs, while Alice Butcher was fifth and Phoebe Conybeare was sixth.

Armstrong bested the field in the 100 individual medley, while Skidmore was second and Katherine Standerfer touched sixth for Chelsea.

In the 50 freestyle, Lawrence ended up second, while DeTroyer was fifth and Brett Kruse sixth for Beach.

In diving, Jillian Drow remained undefeated for the year, placing first. Teammates Skidmore and Purdy finished third and fourth, respectively, for the Bulldogs.

DeTroyer ended up second in the 50 butterfly, followed by Lawrence in third and Conybeare in sixth.

Kinsey bested the field in the 100 freestyle, while Butcher was fourth and

Kruse sixth.

In the 200 freestyle relay, the Beach group of Salas, Skidmore, Conybeare and Butcher finished second. The Chelsea team of DeTroyer, Kruse, Phillips and Kinsey ended up third, while the combination of Erin Robinson, Clare Frankhart, Adams and Manville placed fourth.

Armstrong touched second

Drow was host Chelsea's lone winner on the day, winning the diving competition. Skidmore placed second.

In the 200 medley relay, the Bulldog foursome of Armstrong, Cook, Lawrence and Kinsey placed second. Trevor Hughes, Butcher, Skidmore and Salas finished third, while Julie Adams, Phillips, Purdy and Manville touched fifth.

Armstrong finished second in the 200 freestyle, followed by Conybeare in fourth and Thiel in sixth place for Chelsea.

In the 100 individual medley, DeTroyer placed second, while Kinsey was fourth and Purdy fifth.

Lawrence finished second in the 50 freestyle, while Salas was third and Phillips sixth for the Bulldogs.

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The Chelsea foursome of DeTroyer, Salas, Phillips and Skidmore finished second in the 200 freestyle relay. Anna Rowland, Kruse, Manville and Thiel ended up fourth, while the group of Jake Policht, George Falk, Clare Frankhart and Adams placed fifth for the Bulldogs.

In the 100 backstroke, Armstrong finished second, followed by Purdy in fourth and Butcher in fifth.

Cook ended up second in

in the 100 backstroke, followed by Purdy in third and Ian Hughes in fifth.

In the 100 breaststroke, Cook finished first, while Trevor Hughes was fourth and Thiel fifth for Beach.

In the 400 freestyle relay, Kinsey, Butcher, Lawrence and Armstrong finished second. The Chelsea team of Ian Hughes, Conybeare, Phillips and Purdy placed third, while Kruse, Salas, Standerfer and Robinson ended up fifth.

On Jan. 14, Beach lost to county rival Dexter 98-72.



Beach Middle School's Rick Kinsey heads to the finish line last week versus Tecumseh. Photo by Mary Kumbler

The meet was so close, that a victor wasn't decided until the day's last event.

Frosh spikers sweep rivals

Chelsea's freshman volleyball team defeated county rival Dexter 15-7, 15-11 last Thursday.

Danielle Smith led the host Bulldogs (7-5-3, 2-2), with seven kills. Hannah Meyers finished with 15 assists, while Maggie Dusbiber had 10 digs for Chelsea.

On Jan. 9, the Bulldogs lost to Temperance Bedford 15-4, 15-6.

Tawny McSweeney paced Chelsea with seven kills. Jen Carty added nine assists, while Dusbiber had 12 digs for the Dawgs.

Despite the loss to the always-tough Mules, Chelsea coach Marcus Hosman was

pleased with the way his team responded against the Dreadnaughts.

"After the Bedford match, it was important to come out with a positive attitude and play with more intensity, which we accomplished against Dexter," he said.

Hosman said the Bulldogs have improved in recent matches.

"We are starting to move better, and communicate better on the court, which will pay dividends in the future," he said.

Chelsea next travels to Southeastern Conference White Division foe Ypsilanti Lincoln 5:30 p.m. today for a match.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs visit Jackson County Western

to participate in its invitational at 8:30 a.m.

"We are really excited about our upcoming schedule," Hosman said. "We want to play at a more consistent level and see continued success."

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On Jan. 30, Chelsea hosts Tecumseh at 7 p.m.

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Arend a model of consistency for Chelsea

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

It seems fitting Anna Arend's father owns a tree farm.

Arend, a senior tri-captain on Chelsea's unbeaten Class A No. 4-ranked volleyball team, like a 100-year-old oak tree, always seems to be there for the Bulldogs.

"She is so consistent," said Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland. "She's the hardest worker on our team."

Arend, a 5-foot-9 outside hitter, said she feels it's her role to stay grounded during matches.

"I like to encourage everyone and keep everyone calm on the court," she said. "You can't get too hyped up, or you'll lose control."

And staying calm, cool and collected is something Arend has down to a science. Last season, displaying poise beyond her years, she helped lead Chelsea to the Class B volleyball semifinals and a Division II state championship in softball.

Arend, also a starter on the

basketball team, said because of enduring those high school athletic pressure cookers and succeeding, she is a better competitor.

"I have experience being in pressure situations," she said. "I know you have to calm yourself down, and tell yourself you've been practicing forever, you know you can do it. It's just a matter of keeping your focus. I try not to make a huge deal out of things."

Two weeks ago, it took all of Arend's will to keep her emotions in check. That's because on Jan. 9 the Bulldogs defeated perennial state power Temperance Bedford in a five-set marathon for the first time in many years.

"I think we all knew we could do it," said Arend, who began playing volleyball in the fifth grade. "We felt good. We were really focused. Our enthusiasm was up and everything was working. That gave us a lot of confidence."

Arend said last year's Cinderella volleyball playoff

run, the farthest a Bulldog team ever advanced, has continued into this season.

"Last year, we went for it," she said. "We didn't have anything to lose. No one expected us to go that far. We've just gotten used to playing that hard. We don't take anything for granted. We play against every team like it's the best team we're going to face."

Cleveland said Arend is a gifted performer.

"She's our best overall passer and defensive player," she said. "She's a three-sport athlete, with excellent footwork and lateral movement. She practices hard on a daily basis. She's always challenging herself. She leads by example."

Arend said her favorite sport is generally the one she's competing in at the time, but that volleyball is unique.

"I like the team aspect of it," she said. "It's really cool. Everyone has to be doing their job at the same time. You're only as good as your

weakest player. Everyone on the court counts. No one person can do it for you, it's the whole team."

Arend said the goal for this year's team is to advance in the postseason.

"Also, we want to continue to improve as a team and have fun," she said. "We're not basing our entire season on advancing. If we don't advance, then it would seem like a failure, but it wouldn't be. We want to just play well."

Arend, who'll attend Michigan State University this fall, said she's going to major in horticulture.

"I'd like to go into landscape design, or maybe break off into my own company," she said.

As for her dad's tree farm? "I might take over that, too," she said. "I don't really know what I'm going to do."

For someone as talented as Arend, the sky's the limit.

Just like an oak tree.

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Photo by Doug Trojanowski

Chelsea senior Anna Arend is a tri-captain on this year's Bulldog volleyball team. Behind her leadership, Chelsea is 28-0-1 and ranked No. 4 in Class A.

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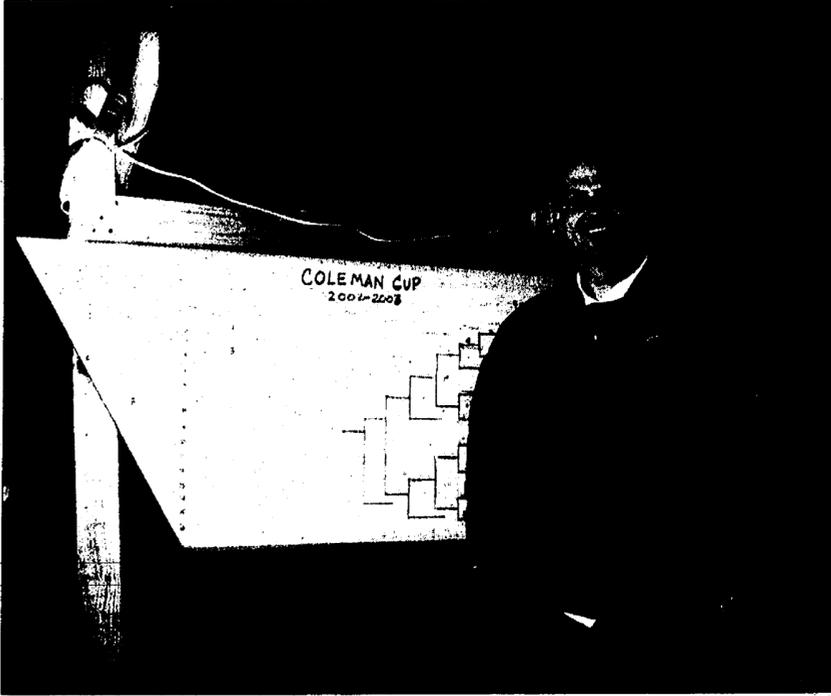
Earlier this month, over a two-day period Jan. 2 through 3, 60 young men laced up their skates and pulled on their pads to compete for the area's Holy Grail of backyard hockey, the Coleman Cup.

The battle for the cup, the brainchild of brothers Chris, Adam, Jay and Scott Naab, began three years ago.

With the help of parents Chris Sr. and Joan, the four boys, ages 19 through 13, organized a pond hockey tournament, with the winner — instead of raising Lord Stanley's Cup in victory — holding aloft a Coleman stainless steel camping cup.

Despite the understated trophy, which originally was used to help resurface the ice, the tournament has flourished.

What started out as a four-team event three years ago



Chris Naab Sr. stands in front of the Coleman Cup bracket board.

has mushroomed to a 15-squad, backyard hockey extravaganza. Each team is comprised of four players.

The pond hockey tournament features no goal-tenders, with the first team

scoring ten goals declared the winner.

Joan Naab said she enjoys helping host the tournament.

"The kids come out here to have fun," she said. "We don't have any problems.

They manage their own (disputes). It lets them problem solve on their own. If they have a difference on the ice, they leave it there.

"They always have a good time."

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2) at 135 pounds, Matt Robinson (1-2) at 145 pounds, Stephen Kolokithas (0-2) at 152 pounds, Ben Rodgers (0-2) at 171 pounds and Karl Wint (1-2) at 215 pounds.

Kargel said the Williamston meet is a good measuring stick of how well his team will do at the state meet.

"This is like the mini-state meet," he said. "The kids that place in the top four always seem to go to states," he said.

Last Thursday, Chelsea defeated Southeastern Conference White Division and county rival Dexter 38-37.

The Bulldogs, trailing for most of the meet, rallied in the final five matches to pull out the victory.

To begin the contest,

Chelsea lost the first four matches.

At 103 pounds, Bulldog Aaron Chiarelli was pinned by Dexter's Kyle Thompson in 1:51.

At 112 pounds, Chelsea's Marty Kelley lost to Mike Little on a pin in 50 seconds.

At 119 pounds, Watts was pinned by Dreadnaught Mike Crawford in 48 seconds.

At 125 pounds, Chelsea's Clark lost to Josh Dillen on a pin in 2:59.

At this point in the meet, the Bulldogs trailed 24-0.

At 130 pounds, Chelsea freshman Cody Schiller turned the fortunes around for the Bulldogs, winning a 17-10 decision over Dexter's Jared Dillen.

"That was a key match," Kargel said. "That made the difference in the meet. Cody really pulled it off."

At 135 pounds, Loe lost a 7-3 decision to the

Dreadnaughts' John Powers.

"Jeremy was leading 3-2 with 16 seconds left and the kid reversed him and put him on his back for five points," Kargel said.

At 140 pounds, Ostrowski defeated A.J. Santoro 15-0 on a technical fall.

At 145 pounds, Robinson lost to Dexter's defending state champion Jeff Marsh on a pin in 1:57.

At 152 pounds, Chelsea's Andy Hurst lost a 9-1 major decision to Ben Howson.

With five matches remaining, the Bulldogs trailed 37-8.

"At this point, I told the guys we had to pin at every weight in order to win," Kargel said.

They obviously listened.

Chelsea ended up capturing the next five matches, with four being by pin and one by void. A void is equivalent to a pin.

The comeback began at 160

pounds, as Egeler pinned the Dreadnaughts' Steve Fendt in 44 seconds.

At 171 pounds, Rodgers pinned Abe Burleigh in 4:54.

At 189 pounds, Bauer pinned Eric Gilbertson in 26 seconds.

At 215 pounds, Joel Powers pinned Dexter's Ricky Howell in 3:36.

At heavyweight, Wint won by void.

With the void, Chelsea defeated the Dreadnaughts by one point.

"We matched up really well with them," Kargel said.

"That was a key."

Chelsea next host Ypsilanti Lincoln and Ann Arbor Huron in a tri-meet today at 6:30 p.m.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs will host their own quad at 9 a.m.

On Jan. 30, Chelsea travels to Tecumseh for a meet at 6:30 p.m.

Chelsea frosh top Lincoln hoopsters

Chelsea's freshman boys' basketball team defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 62-50 last Friday.

The host Bulldogs (2-7) jumped all over the Railsplitters early, scoring 22 first quarter points.

By halftime, Chelsea led 34-30 as Lincoln rallied.

In the second half, however, the Bulldogs secured their victory, outscoring the Railsplitters 28-20.

Robbie Moffett, Joe Welton and Ian Girard paced Chelsea, each scoring 13 points.

Cam Hawkins added nine points, while Alex Stuart and Matt Weber each netted six

points.

Kevin Todd recorded two points to round out the Bulldogs' scoring.

Chelsea next travels to

Tecumseh for a game 4 p.m. tomorrow.

On Monday, the Bulldogs visit Ann Arbor Pioneer for a contest at 4 p.m.

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defense."

The Bulldogs next travel to Dexter to square off against their rivals 7 p.m. Saturday.

On Wednesday, Chelsea visits Livonia Franklin at 8

p.m. for a game at Eddie Edgar Arena.

On Feb. 5, the Bulldogs host Jackson Lumen Christi at 7 p.m.

Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 475-1371 or via e-mail at drichter@heritage.com.

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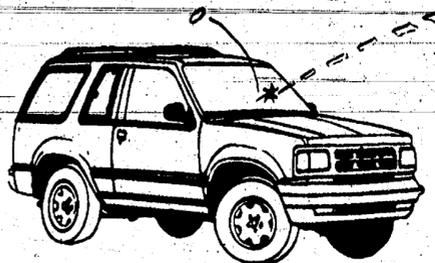
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Hyssong first at indoor meet

Chelsea senior Savannah Hyssong finished first in the 800-meter run in 2:25.4 last Friday at the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association indoor meet at the University of Michigan.

Hyssong, who was competing in the 800-meter run for the first time in her career, qualified for the indoor state meet in March.

Hyssong bested 75 other runners in five heats to capture the event title.

Teammate senior Kari Moyle placed eighth in 2:31.3.

"Savannah and Kari ran very fast this early in the season," said Chelsea coach John Bauer.

Chelsea senior Jenny Gourlay finished seventh in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 0:8. With her clocking, Gourlay qualified for the state indoor meet.

In the 200 meters, Chelsea junior Morgan Seitz ended up with a personal best time of 29.8.

"These indoor meets are usually dominated by Class A athletes," Bauer said. "To place high or win an event is an accomplishment."

All four girls compete for the Speed Connection Track Club.

Local rugby club looking for players

The Washtenaw Rugby Football Club is looking for players for its spring 2003 season.

The club is seeking players in ninth- through 12th grades who are interested in learning the sport of rugby.

The club competes in the Michigan Youth Rugby Association against teams from Brighton, Berkley, Howell, Dearborn, Livonia and Northville, and has a "no cut" policy. Everyone who attends practice will play. No experience is necessary.

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Winter indoor training begins Jan. 27 at the University of Michigan Coliseum. The coliseum is located at the corner of Fifth and Hill streets in Ann Arbor. Training sessions will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. every Monday.

For more information, call 761-1988 or e-mail magnette@umich.edu.

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VILLAGE OF CHELSEA COUNTY OF WASHTENAW MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS FOR THE ANNUAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID VILLAGE:
Please take notice that the annual election for the Village of Chelsea will be held in said Village on Monday, March 10, 2003.

The last day for receiving registrations for the annual election will be:
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2003

Persons registering after the Village Clerk's Office closes on Monday, February 10, 2003, will not be eligible to vote at the annual election. Persons planning to register must determine when the Village Clerk's Office will be open for registration.

Jacalyn J. Branson
Village Clerk

Chelsea Village Offices
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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING WAS HELD JANUARY 7, 2003 AT 7 P.M. IN THE SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL, 18027 OLD US 12, CHELSEA, MI 48118

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

Also present: Dan Myers from Washtenaw County DPW, Jerry Dresselhouse - Special Project Coordinator, Mike Rybka-Chelsea Standard, Scott Cooper, Don Schoenberg, David Solo, David Brooks, Michael Williams, Bob and Elsie Swanberg, and several residents from West and East Cedar Lake.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Lesser to accept minutes as presented. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Grau to pay bill as presented. Carried.

The Public Hearing for Sanitary Sewer District #4 - Cedar Lake - to create a Special Assessment District was called to order. Jerry Dresselhouse, Special Project Coordinator made a presentation regarding the area proposed for District #4 and reviewed with the Board, per the submitted petitions, the total land area (68%) and the number of people (80%) in favor of this project. Supervisor Burgess opened the hearing to public comment. Louis Galante public noted that the signature that appeared on the Petition was not his and is a forged signature. The Board, Dan Myers of Washtenaw County and Dresselhouse answered questions. Motion by Lesser, seconded by Heller to approve Resolution No. 2 to create a Special Assessment District for Sanitary Sewer to the West half only and the East half will need to present a new petition for Sanitary Sewers by the next board meeting, February 4, 2003. Roll call vote. Carried.

State Police Trooper Singleton reported on incidents which occurred in Sylvan Township.

Zoning Inspector Lange reported 4 permits, 3 certificate of occupancy issued in December. Also for the year 2002 - 78 permits, 33 certificate of occupancy and 17 new homes were issued.

Public participation:
David Solo, David Brooks and Michael Williams all addressed the board with their comments.

Treasurer Grau reported on the number of complaints received during tax collection regarding the Library millage.

Trustee Heller reported a CAPT meeting will be held Wednesday, January 16th at Lima Township.

Old Business:
The CAFAs budget was discussed due to the increase from \$130,000 to \$170,000. Koch suggested that the CAFAs board take a look at the fee schedule to see if there is some way to generate more revenue back to the Township; such as creating a fee for I-94 personal injury accident separate from Personal Injury accidents on other roads, take a look at the dispatching of calls and how it is toned out to the firemen, and suggest that the new line item for insurance of \$12,000 for 3 positions be held off a year to two.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Lesser to request the CAFAs board to waive invoice #611 due to a dispatching problem. Carried.

The 2-CAFA ordinances were discussed once again and tabled until further information is received.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to add the Sewer Use Ordinance to the Fee Schedule. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Grau to re-appoint Tom Caplis and Mary Anne Mangelsen to the ZBA for another 3 year term and Earl Heller as the representative from the Township Board to Planning Commission for a 3-year term. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Lesser to adopt the Telecommunications Tower Ordinance amendment. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Grau to approve the 2003 holiday closures as presented. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Heller to approve the Resolution to initiate a Sanitary Sewer Extension Project for the Townships of Lyndon and Sylvan through Washtenaw County Board of Public Works. Roll call vote. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Koch to adopt the Open Space Preservation Ordinance as presented. Roll call vote. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Lesser to approve the Cooperation Agreement for the Chelsea Area Planning Team by striking No. 6 completely. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Koch to approve Preliminary Site Plan under the PUD ordinance for Magellan Property Phase II. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Lesser to adjourn.

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk

VILLAGE OF DEXTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Council will hold a public hearing Monday, January 27, 2003 at 8:00 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Center - 7720 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, Dexter, Michigan for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding:

An Ordinance amending and clarifying the Village's Noise Ordinance, required for protection from excessive, unnecessary, and unreasonable noises. It is the intention of the Village Council to control the adverse effect of such noise sources on the citizens under any condition of use, especially those conditions, which have the most severe impact upon a person, and repealing any ordinance or provision thereof in conflict herewith.

A copy of this Ordinance is available at the Village Office, located on the second floor of the National City Bank Building 8123 Main Street, Dexter MI weekdays between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2003, 7:00 P.M. SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL, 18027 OLD US 12 CHELSEA, MI 48118

AGENDA:
A variance application has been received for an appeal to a Land Division Application and zoning variance from setbacks and lot area to build a single family home at 538 Crooked Lake, Chelsea, MI 48118.

Written comments may be sent to Linda Hahn, Secretary, Zoning Board of Appeals, 20232 Scio Church Road, Chelsea, Michigan 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, upon 14 days notice to the Sylvan Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sylvan Township board by writing or calling the following:
LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk
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A copy of this notice and application with supporting documents are on file in the Office of the Clerk.

LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA WASHTENAW COUNTY MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 141 EFFECTIVE DATE: FEBRUARY 3, 2003

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE VILLAGE OF CHELSEA TRAFFIC ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NUMBERS 72, 72-EE, 72-EEEE, 72-F, 108, 109, 110, 111, BEING THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE AS AMENDED, AND TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 TO MCL 257.923 AS AMENDED, AND THE REVISED UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE FOR CITIES, TOWNSHIPS AND VILLAGES, AS AMENDED AND PROMULGATED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE PURSUANT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.238, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REGULATING THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS OF THE VILLAGE OF CHELSEA, TO SET FORTH THE PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR ORDINANCE SECTIONS INCONSISTENT THERETO.

THE VILLAGE OF CHELSEA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Short title.
This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as "The Village of Chelsea Traffic Ordinance."

SECTION 2. Codes adopted.
The Michigan Vehicle Code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to MCL 257.923, as amended, is adopted by reference. The Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages as promulgated by the director of the Michigan department of state police pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328 and made effective October 30, 2002, is adopted.

SECTION 3. References in code.
References in the Michigan Vehicle Code and in the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages to "local authorities" shall mean the Village of Chelsea.

SECTION 4. Penalties.
The penalties provided in the Michigan Vehicle Code and in the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages are adopted by reference, provided however, that the Village of Chelsea may not enforce any provision of the Michigan Vehicle Code for which the maximum period of imprisonment exceeds 93 days.

SECTION 5. Severability.
If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

SECTION 6. Repeal.
All other ordinances or sections of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. Savings clause.
The repeal provided herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending fee, assessments, litigation, or prosecution of any right established, occurring prior to the effective date hereof.

SECTION 8. Location where the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages are available for inspection.
A copy of the Michigan Vehicle Code, as amended, and the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages, as amended, may be inspected or obtained at the Offices of the Clerk of the Village of Chelsea.

SECTION 9. Publication and Effective Date.
This ordinance shall be published once in a newspaper having general circulation in the Village of Chelsea and shall take effect 20 days after adoption by the Village Council of Trustees.

This Ordinance and these amendments were duly adopted by the Village Council of Trustees of the Village of Chelsea at its regular meeting called and held on the 14th day of January, 2003, and was ordered given publication in the manner required by law.

JACALYN J. BRANSON, Clerk
Village of Chelsea

Adoption: January 14, 2003
Effective Date: February 3, 2003
Date of Publication: January 23, 2003
(within 15 days of Date of Adoption)

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Chelsea Village Council will meet the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. during 2003. All meetings will be held at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea. Any change in this schedule or meeting place will be published or posted.

Jacalyn J. Branson
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASE

A Public Hearing to consider a proposed water rate increase within the Village of Chelsea will be held February 11, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, Michigan. A copy of the proposed water rate increase will be available for public inspection at the Village Administration Office, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan.

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

Jacalyn J. Branson
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF DEXTER MILL POND AND DAM PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held on Monday, January 27th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. on the topic of creek restoration at the current site of the Mill Pond and Dam. The meeting will be held at the Senior Center, 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Road, and is open to all residents interested in helping to shape the future appearance and use of the site. Light refreshments will be available.

The main objective of the evening will be to discuss different site scenarios; with the dam removed, and to determine which scenario(s) best represents the desires of the Dexter community for current and future residents. The scenarios discussion will be facilitated by Don Tilton, Ph.D., and Jane Tesner, M.L.A., from Tilton & Associates, Inc., the Ann Arbor-based environmental restoration and consulting firm. Active audience participation will be encouraged.

Updates on the dam removal and creek restoration project will be provided at the meeting including a review of key technical and funding issues by Elizabeth Riggs, Watershed Planner with the Huron River Watershed Council (HRWC), and status of ownership research by Village Attorney Brad Smith and Melissa Eldridge. Individuals planning to attend may want to read the Recommendation of the Mill Creek Dam Task Force, issued to the Village Council in 2001, prior to the discussion; paper or digital copies may be obtained by contacting the HRWC at (734) 769-5123.

If you have questions about the meeting, then please contact Village Manager Donna Eureka at (734) 426-8303 x1, deureka@villageofdex-ter.org, or Elizabeth Riggs, with the HRWC, at (734) 769-5123, eriggs@hrwc.org.

DEXTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH, 2002, 7:30 P.M.

Present: Pat Kelly, Supervisor; Harley Rider, Clerk; Julie Knight; Treasurer; Libby Brushaber, Trustee; Michael Howard, Trustee

Location: Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pineknay Rd., Dexter, MI

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Kelly at 7:30 PM.

Motion by Brushaber, supported by Howard to approve the agenda, as amended. Carried 5-0

Motion by Howard, supported by Brushaber to approve the minutes of the November 19th Regular Board Meeting. Carried 5-0

Public comment on non-agenda items - Chief Loren Yates, of the Dexter Area Fire Department, explained to the Board the reasons for the increase in the DAFD budget and his request to the DAFD Board to add two full-time firefighters, while reducing the reliance on paid-on-call firefighters.

Sheriff's report was presented by Sgt. Brian Filipiak. Sgt. Filipiak informed the Board that the Sheriff's patrol is, as of the end of November, was 122 hours short of the contracted time for Dexter Township. Clerk Rider asked Sgt. Filipiak for copies of the Webster and Dexter Village contracts for patrol, which Sgt. Filipiak agreed to provide to the Board.

Motion by Brushaber, supported by Howard to pay bills of \$95,171.98 and gross payroll of \$15,323.11. Carried 5-0

OLD BUSINESS
Motion by Rider, supported by Brushaber to postpone further discussion and action on bids for cleaning the Township Hall until the January 21st meeting. Carried 5-0

NEW BUSINESS
Supervisor Kelly updated the Board on the status of the Chelsea Area Planning Team.

Motion by Rider, supported by Brushaber to appoint Bill Gajewski as a regular member of the Zoning Board of Appeals to a here year term expiring 31 December, 2005; Appoint Marsha Ottoman as an alternate member of the ZBA to fill the position vacated by Bill Gajewski, expiring 31 December 2003; appoint Par Kelly as the Board representative to the ZBA; and appoint Steve Burch as a regular member of the ZBA for a three year term expiring 31 December 2005. Carried 4-1

Motion by Brushaber, supported by Rider to reappoint Sheridan Springer, Paul Pelts and Mark Wojno to the Board of Appeals for terms expiring 31 December 2004. Carried 5-0

Motion by Knight, supported by Howard to continue contracting with A-1 Tree Service for snow plowing at the Township Hall. Carried 5-0

Motion by Rider, supported by Brushaber to grant preliminary approval to the private roads in the Gregory Farms site condominium development and grant a variance from the standards of the Dexter Township Private Road Ordinance to allow an 18 foot width of the road surface, subject to approval of the Dexter Township Planning Commission. Carried 5-0

Motion by Knight, supported by Howard to postpone further discussion and action on the Dexter Area Fire Budget recommendation to the January 21st Board meeting. Carried 5-0

REPORTS
Treasurer Knight submitted the Fund Report for the month of November. She also informed the Board of the final adjusted tax roll for 2002. Treasurer Knight also informed the Board the tax roll contained 3,553 total parcels with a taxable value of \$210,463,200.

Clerk Rider informed the Board that he had completed part one of a three part series presented by the Michigan Municipal Clerks Institute for recognition as a Certified Municipal Clerk. He also presented the current budget status and informed the Board of the projected total cut in State revenue sharing.

Clerk Rider informed the Board that the Planning Commission met on December 3rd to review the revised Zoning Map and that they referred the map back to the County for corrections. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 27th to review the Zoning Map.

Supervisor Kelly informed the Board that the ZBA heard three cases in December.

Trustee Brushaber informed the Board that the December 4th meeting of the Chelsea Area Construction Agency cancelled.

Ordinance Administrator Steve Platt presented the November Ordinance report.

No reports were submitted or presented by the Assessor, or for the Portage-Base Lakes Sewer authority, or the Chelsea Fire Authority.

Treasurer Knight informed the Board that the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority (WWRA) last met on December 4th. At that meeting the WWRA Board agreed that there is need for an education program for the public on keeping the recycle bin silt clean. The next meeting of the WWRA is scheduled for January 8th, which will be the annual meeting and election of officers.

Motion by Rider, supported by Knight to transfer \$19,583.25 from the Police Fund to the General Fund to cover current law enforcement expenses. Carried 5-0

There was no public comment on agenda items.

Motion by Howard, supported by Knight to adjourn. Time 10:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Harley B. Rider, Clerk
Dexter Township

NOTE: These are preliminary minutes subject to approval by the Township Board at the Regular Meeting to be held on January 21st, 2003.

Heydlauff competes in invitational

Chelsea's Samantha Heydlauff traveled to Reno, Nev., to participate in the Flips Invitational Jan. 11. The 14-year-old Chelsea High School freshman is a member of Gym America's Level 9 gymnastics team. In youth gymnastics, the highest standard an athlete can achieve is Level 10. At the Reno meet, in which more than 1,000 gymnasts from throughout the nation and Australia competed, Heydlauff finished third on bars (8.35), seventh on beam (8.225) and 10th on floor (8.50).



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VILLAGE OF CHELSEA FILING OF NOMINATING PETITIONS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that persons desiring to qualify for any elective office shall file a petition therefore with the Village Clerk signed by not less than fifteen (15) registered voters of the Village not later than 4:00 p.m. on February 3, 2003 which is the fifth (5th) Monday prior to the March 10, 2003 Non-partisan Regular General Village Election. Official blank petitions in substantially the same form as required by State Law for State and County officers, except for reference to party, shall be prepared. All nominating petitions shall have entered thereon in ink the name of the person desiring to become a candidate for office in the Village, or the person in whose behalf the petition is to be circulated, and the name of the office for which he/she is a candidate. No person shall sign his/her name to a greater number of petitions for any one (1) office than there will be persons elected to said office.

Notice is hereby given that February 6, 2003 (4:00 p.m.) being the last day to withdraw, written notice required.

THE VILLAGE CLERK SHALL ACCEPT PETITIONS, THEREBY NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

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Village of Chelsea
Jacalyn J. Branson, Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Village Offices, 305 S. Main St., Lower Level
December 18, 2002

Present: President Steele, Village Manager Myers, Village Clerk Branson
Trustees Present: Trustees Albertson, Myles, Ortring, Ritter, Schumann
Absent: Trustee Holmes
Others Present: Glen Burkhardt, Brad Roberts, Christine Linfield

President Steele called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
Motion by Schumann seconded by Ritter to approve the Regular Agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Trustee Albertson had not arrived at this point)

Communications to Council
President Steele brought to the attention of Council the following correspondence: Letter re: FERC and transmission service refund in the amount of \$608,897.29, letter regarding fire response, memo from Village Manager re: revenue sharing, MML Legislative Link, MPPA minutes, WWRA minutes.
Motion by Ritter that Council not be paid for the special meeting. Motion died for lack of second.

Trustee Ritter and Village Manager Myers discussed CAFA and the letter received by Council concerning fire response. There was a chimney fire at a house on Darwin and according to Chief Ellenwood, the fire department had to cut into the chimney to get to the fire. (Trustee Albertson arrived). Trustee Ortring asked if there was anyway to write a letter to Council, sign your name and remain anonymous. The answer is no, as letters received are public record.

Audience Participation
Metta Lansdale, Director of Chelsea District Library, spoke to Council regarding lack of water at the McKune House. When the new water main was put in on Main Street, water service was not restored to McKune House. She spoke to Dan Rosentreter on November 5th and he said he hoped to have water in two weeks. However, he was unable to get a commitment from the contractor. She asked Village Manager Myers for a letter explaining the situation to give to the Board. Mr. Rosentreter connected a hose to the library and brought in bottled water. Ms. Lansdale said she has volunteers working in the McKune House and they need to use the facilities. Village Manager Myers said the Village was going to look into connecting the building to the waterline on Orchard Street. He will discuss this with Mr. Rosentreter tomorrow to get action started. Trustee Myles said he wrote a memo regarding this subject and another to be discussed later, which Council has. He is concerned that Council was not aware of this problem. Considering how sensitive the community has become regarding the water project, he feels this should have been identified and explained to the Trustees. Ms. Lansdale reiterated her request for a letter to give to the Library Board, which Mr. Myers will provide.

Council Committee Reports
Trustee Albertson said she attended the Planning Commission meeting that adjourned and went into a work session to work on the Rec and Parks Plan.
Trustee Schumann attended the WATS meeting.
Village Manager Myers said the money received for the transmission service refund must be used for capital improvements and maintenance in the electric department.

Unfinished Business
The Village received a letter from Caponigro Financial Counsellors, LLC regarding possible tax relief for Arctic Coliseum and some suggestions in how to do so. Discussion ensued.
Motion by Ritter seconded by Albertson that the Village is unable to cooperate with what is presented in the letter. All Ayes. Motion carried.

New Business
Brad Roberts, Wastewater Plant Superintendent, introduced Glen Burkhardt, President of Tetra Tech, and asked him to talk about the Vets Park Pump Station. Mr. Burkhardt explained there has been a shift in the foundation, possibly due to floatation or backfill. Corrective action was taken to pin the foundation, which is a deviation from the approved plan. He suggested that the structure be monitored between now and the spring. The contractor (Ross) made the fix, but Tetra Tech was not there to monitor it. If the contractor fixed it as he said he did, it should be fine. Trustee Myles asked where the supervision was. The Village has until substantial completion to monitor it and there is a one year warranty. Mr. Burkhardt said he can't make a determination of defective work at this point, since it is fixed. The contractor should have known the well could float and that the wells should not have been turned off until the concrete was set.

Motion by Ritter seconded by Myles to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing attorney client privilege information. Roll Call: Ayes: Ritter, Albertson, Myles, Schumann, Ortring, Steele. No: None. Absent: Holmes. Motion carried. Adjourned to Closed Session at 5:45 p.m. Brad Roberts, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent and Christine Linfield, Village Engineer were asked to attend.
Motion by Ortring seconded by Schumann to come out of Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson that the Village requires that the Engineer identify how the constructed lift station has deviated from the original design and to remedy the deviations by designing an alternative that provides the Village with a project of equal quality and life expectancy. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Myles addressed the second part of his memo concerning information on the website that indicated TCI was given an extension to complete the watermain project in the spring. The Council was not aware of this and is concerned with the poor communication. Discussion took place. Village Manager Myers said he told TCI they could have an extension at the last progress meeting because he held them up by not letting them start Elm Street because the asphalt plants could close before it was completed and he didn't want dirt streets during the winter. Trustee Albertson said she would like to see group emails to Council if any other information comes up on the watermain project.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Myles to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
Approved: January 14, 2003

Richard Steele, Village President
Jacalyn J. Branson, Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Village Offices, 305 S. Main St., Lower Level
December 4, 2002

Present: President Steele, Village Manager Myers, Village Clerk Branson
Trustees Present: Trustees Albertson, Holmes, Myles, Ortring, Ritter, Schumann
Absent: None
Others Present: Kent Walton

President Steele called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Motion by Ritter seconded by Myles to approve the Regular Agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Trustee Albertson had not arrived at this point)

Communications to Council
President Steele brought to the attention of Council the following correspondence: Policy written by Trustee Myles regarding Village Manager's Evaluation.

Council Committee Reports
Trustee Ritter reported that he had attended the Planning Commission Work Session. They discussed the 425 discussions with Lima Township, walking paths around the Village and the parks issue regarding how to write an ordinance to require parks in proposed developments.

President Steele reported that the Personnel Committee met on December 2nd with Department Heads (and exempt employees). Retirement benefits are the predominant issue they are asking for. The Personnel Committee also discussed evaluations of consultants and contractors and the need to get specifics into contracts. Village Manager Myers said the Village will ask the MML if they have information on evaluating consultants. (Trustee Albertson arrived)

Motion by Ritter that Council not accept payment for the meeting tonight. Motion died for lack of second.

Unfinished Business
Trustee Myles expressed his disappointment in having to call a meeting tonight. Most of the Department Heads had turned in Village Manager Evaluations, but had pulled them after the Clerk reported that at the last Village Council meeting, a motion was made and approved that called for collating of the forms by the Personnel Committee rather than a 3rd party. He asked Village Manager Myers to call a staff meeting so he could talk to all Department Heads in one room and explain and he said that Mr. Myers said he would only do so at the direction of the Village President, who declined to do so as he supported Mr. Myers. Trustee Myles then contacted Council for their support in calling a meeting and five agreed.

Trustee Myles said the procedures for the Village Manager's Evaluation should be in written form and he prepared procedures calling for Self Evaluation and Evaluation by Department Heads.
Motion by Myles seconded by Ortring to adopt "A" in "Addendum to Procedures for Village Manager Evaluation" that makes Self Evaluation by Village Manager standard procedure.

Discussion ensued. President Steele supported Department Heads desire to withdraw their evaluations. Trustee Schumann felt review by department heads could jeopardize relationship between Manager and subordinates and the existing form used by Council isn't appropriate for department heads. Trustee Ortring found it troubling that this review has to be so anonymous and the question should be asked why people are so worried about addressing issues and giving a review.

Procedure was clarified that Exempt Employee is the correct term to use, as not all non-union salaried employees are department heads. Village Manager Myers said review by union personnel was not appropriate, as he does not supervise them. Trustee Ritter said union employees need to go to the union for grievances and Trustee Holmes said the Council was not talking about grievances. Trustee Albertson said who should fill out the evaluation is up to Council.

Discussion of lack of a written Village Manager Evaluation from 1992-2001 took place. 2001 was the first year it was done. Trustee Holmes said peer and subordinate review in his field of work is standard. It is a tool used to improve performance, as feedback is needed to improve and to identify strengths and weaknesses to improve on.

Trustee Schumann said the form needs revisions for staff review and he wants it to be positive. Trustee Myles said those points are well made; every question on the evaluation doesn't apply to every staff member or Council. He used this form because it was what he had available.

Trustee Albertson said the employees wouldn't have pulled their evaluations if they weren't concerned about the input. The only way to resolve concerns is to talk about it. It is in the best interest to mitigate fears because people can't do their jobs if they are fearful. It is in the Managers best interest to have yearly written evaluations. Lack of written evaluations might indicate a problem.

Vote on motion to adopt "A". All Ayes. Motion carried. (Policy attached as Appendix A)

Trustee Myles said he wrote "B" on the proposed procedures because he felt that those that interact and work with the Manager should have input. Trustee Albertson asked if the employee review would be voluntary. Trustee Ortring said some people may not think they have enough information to evaluate, may not have worked long for the Village. Trustee Albertson believes it should be required with a minimum time limit of employment. It should be an exempt employee's obligation.

Discussion ensued on making the evaluation voluntary this year, but required for exempt employees beginning in 2003.
Motion by Ortring seconded by Myles to ask the Personnel Committee to come up with a review form that will be completed by Exempt Employees for the Village Manager's Evaluation in 2003. Six Ayes, One No (Ritter). Motion carried.

Motion by Myles seconded by Albertson to approve "B" in "Addendum to Procedures for Village Manager Evaluation" as amended that requires Village Manager Evaluation by Exempt Employees. Six Ayes, One No (Ritter). Motion carried. (See Appendix A). Trustee Ritter said he wouldn't vote for it until he saw the amended text in writing.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Holmes to have the Exempt Employees use the existing Village Manager Evaluation form in 2002. Six Ayes, One No (Ritter). Motion carried.

New Business
Trustee Myles said he would like to see the Manager instructed to set up a meeting with exempt employees so the procedure for the Village Manager's Evaluation could be explained. Trustee Schumann said he would like the Manager to make the presentation to the staff so they would see he still has the authority. Trustee Myles disagreed and said he owed it to staff to explain it. Trustee Albertson said it would show continuity if the Manager would support the meeting.

Discussion ensued on the meeting, whether Council would be present, whether it would have to be posted, and when it should take place. Village Manager Myers suggested posting it as a Meeting of the Committee as a Whole.

Motion by Ritter to hold the meeting Friday, December 13th at 6:00 p.m. Motion died for lack of second.

Motion by Albertson seconded by Myles to hold the meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Village Council with exempt employees on Thursday, December 12, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. at the Village offices. Six Ayes, One No (Steele, Ritter). Motion carried.

Trustee Ortring said she has a hard time understanding why the Manager isn't upset that he isn't given feedback. Village Manager Myers said this has become a very stressful and depressing situation. Even the employees are stressed out. The Village works as a team, loyalty is a two way street and the Council should not micromanage. Trustee Ortring asked how he would feel if people didn't feel it is a team. Mr. Myers said the department heads have made comments about the stress. Trustee Ritter said the Manager is accessible to answer questions.

Trustee Myles said after his six years on council there is a need to deal with things on a business level. He is comfortable saying Mr. Myers has done a good job. Trustee Ritter said Council makes policy. The water plant and watermain project problems were not Mr. Myers fault.

Trustee Holmes said he has a problem with this discussion turning into the Manager's evaluation. He wants to establish policy and a credible evaluation process, which Trustee Albertson agreed with. President Steele said Council has to trust that Village Manager Myers does the best job. If something happens, good or bad, Council shouldn't wait a year to let him know. Trustee Albertson said he is doing an excellent job.

Motion by Schumann seconded by Ortring to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.
Approved: January 14, 2003

Richard Steele, Village President
Jacalyn J. Branson, Village Clerk

**Minutes corrected at 1/14/03 Council Meeting to correct vote.

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Washington Street Education Center
December 10, 2002

Present: President Steele, Village Manager Myers, Village Clerk Branson
Trustees Present: Trustees Albertson, Holmes, Myles, Ortring, Ritter and Schumann
Absent: None
Others Present: Jim Drolett, Dan Rosentreter, Chris Rode, Mark Tuttle, Walter Bolt, Craig Hinz, Herb Hinz, Kent Walton, Dan Ellenwood, Gary Adams

President Steele called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
Motion by Ortring seconded by Holmes to approve the Consent Agenda with a correction to the minutes of November 26, 2002; page 4, New Business, 1st paragraph, correct name to read Michelle Rose. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to approve the Regular Agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Audience Participation:
Mr. Herbert Hinz, 262 Harrison Street, spoke to Council. He said the Village did a mediocre job in cleaning his basement. Trustee Myles said that after two weeks it was unacceptable that the basement was not cleaned to Mr. Hinz satisfaction after all he has been through and that the Village did not go the extra mile to satisfy Mr. Hinz. Much discussion ensued. The Village will hire Coaches to professionally clean the basement if Mrs. Hinz agrees. Trustee Ritter asked that the Village make sure the Hinzes are satisfied when the cleaning is completed.

Walter Bolt, Madison Street, spoke to Council about the proposed Chelsea West Drive. He is concerned that the Village will have no control over development and there are several special assessment districts in Sylvan Township that about the proposed road.

Communications to Council:
President Steele brought to attention of Council the following correspondence: MML Legislative Link, article from Public Management, MML Fax Alert re: revenue sharing cuts, CACA November 2002 Permit Statement, letter from Huron River Watershed Council, letter from Village Manager Myers to EPA.

Report from Council Committees:
Trustee Ortring said that on December 17th she is going to attend the Chelsea District Library Board meeting to support Nancy Schumann as President.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Myles to allow Trustee Ortring on behalf of the Trustees and Village President to support Nancy Schumann as the preferred candidate for the Chelsea District Library Board President at the December 17th meeting. Six Ayes, One Abstain (Schumann). Motion carried.

Trustee Ritter suggested public hearings be placed first on Planning Commission agendas so the public doesn't leave and reminded Council it took some time to get a quorum at the last meeting. He attended the Rec Council meeting and Denise Dabrowski was appointed to the Rec Council. He told the Rec Council that the Village may be able to help by hauling gravel and providing some labor, but they do not have any money to put into athletic fields.

Chris Rode, Planning Commission Chair, said it was embarrassing to start the meeting late due to a lack of a quorum. Trustee Albertson stated that lack of private citizens present at the Planning Commission meeting doesn't mean the Rec and Parks plan is not a valid issue.

Reports from Village Officers:
Jim Drolett reported on the status of the PUD agreement with the developer of Heritage Pointe. He met with the developer and attorneys and they left it up to the developer's engineer and the Village Engineer to study if there was an area in the right-of-way of Freer Road to install the water line. Village Engineer Christine Linfield found that the water line proposed on Elm Street is 12". She suggested that they tie into the watermain at the corner of Madison and Jackson, go north under the railroad tracks to Dexter Chelsea Rd., and east along Dexter Chelsea Rd. to the development. Mr. Drolett said he has heard nothing on the traffic study. Trustee Ritter said they better check on the location of the high pressure gas line on Dexter Chelsea Rd.

Chief Ellenwood reported that CAFA received a \$12,000 grant to help purchase RIT equipment and help pay for a training program. CAFA will need to come up with \$7,200.

Chris Rode said Council directed Planning Commission to define "rural corridor". Much discussion ensued. Council commented that they need to know what components of a rural corridor are to give it a definition, asked for an interpretation by Planning Commission at the time it was put in the Comprehensive plan, asked for help in working through the problem of not having a definition and pointed out this request was almost a unanimous vote of Council. Mr. Rode said that he will not give a definition at this point because it would be an amendment to the Comp. Plan. President Steele suggested Council have a work session with the Planning Commission.

Unfinished Business:
President Steele said that the general meaning of the revised Cooperation Agreement has not changed. It has no enforcement powers and spells out the fact that the municipalities will work together.

Chris Rode said the Planning Commission welcomes cooperation between municipalities, but has a problem when this idea is tied to a regional plan. The Planning Commission does not endorse the regional plan.

Trustee Ortring said that the several Whereas in the agreement tie the agreement to the Chelsea Area Regional Plan.

Trustee Schumann said it is important to talk with the townships. Motion by Schumann seconded by Holmes to adopt the Cooperation Agreement.

Discussion ensued: President Steele supports the document of cooperation but thinks it should be totally separate from the plan. Trustee Ritter said he would support it if the Chelsea Area Regional Plan wasn't referred to in the agreement. Trustee Albertson said the language needs to be tightened; cooperation is very important. Trustee Ortring supports cooperation, but feels the document is tied to the plan. Trustee Holmes said the document enables people to get together to cooperate and gives the group the chance to fix the plan. Jim Drolett said it is a mechanism to get people to talk. Trustee Myles said it is voluntary. The Village can back out at any time they find it serves to purpose.

Motion by Schumann seconded by Holmes amended to accept with Cooperation Agreement with the Agreement changed to read "a Regional Plan" in place of "the Chelsea Area Regional Plan". Six Ayes, One No (Ritter). Motion carried. (Revised Agreement attached as Appendix A)

Trustee Ortring said she would like to see a presentation by the Chelsea Area Fire Authority on the proposed Ordinances at a work session before Council takes action.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to table agenda items 2,3,4,5 and Old Business item #2 to the first meeting in January. Motion amended to table to the second meeting in January. Five Ayes, Two No (Ritter, Steele). Motion carried.

(Items tabled were Adoption of: Ordinance No. 138 Fire Prevention Code, Ordinance No. 139 Business Registration, Business Registration Form, Fee Schedule for Fire Inspections Services and discussion of CAFA Budget)

New Business:
Village Manager Myers reviewed the proposed real estate exchange agreement between the Village of Chelsea and Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan Springer. Warranty Deeds would transfer Parcels B and C from the Village to the Springers and Parcel E from the Springers to the Village if the Springers choose to do so in the next 15 years. In the event that the escrow agent does not receive an option from the Springers in this time period, the property reverts to the original owners. Village Manager Myers said Mr. Ungrodt will pay legal fees up to \$1,000 for this exchange, with the Village picking up any additional fees.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Schumann to approve the Real Estate Exchange between the Village of Chelsea and the Springers. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Agreement attached as Appendix B)

Motion by Ortring seconded by Ritter to support the Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone parcels FC-06-13-275-035 and FC-06-13-275-034 from AG-1 to RS-2 for Jim Machnik. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Ordinance No. 79-KKKKK attached as Appendix C)

Jim Machnik asked if the Council supported the current plan for Chelsea West Drive. Trustee Ortring said no Council action was taken on this plan. Mr. Machnik asked that the Council reject this plan with the terminus at Commerce Park Drive as the two stop lights on M52 near Brown Drive are already causing traffic jams.

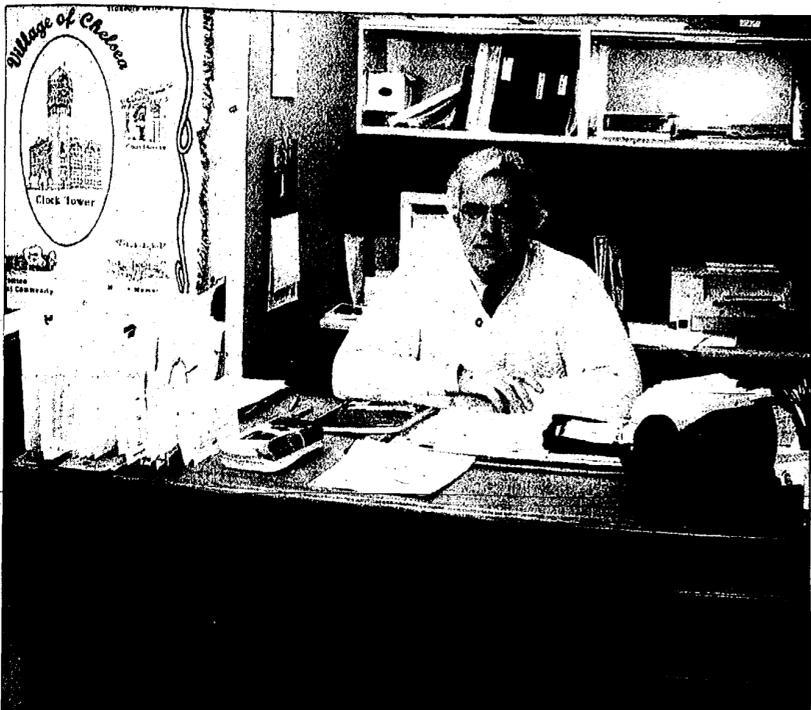
Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to adjourn Regular Session. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.
Approved: January 14, 2003

Richard Steele, Village President
Jacalyn J. Branson, Village Clerk

BUSINESS

Thursday, January 23, 2002

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Brian Hamilton will step down at the end of the month as director of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, a position he has held for two years. Hamilton, who was formerly general manager of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader, is returning to his roots in journalism to work for a business publication.

Chelsea area chamber director steps down

Hamilton to return to career in journalism.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Brian Hamilton will step down as executive director of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce at month's end to return to his roots in journalism.

Hamilton was a reporter for The Chelsea Standard from 1985 to 1994 under former owners Walter and the late Helen May Leonard. He launched his own publication, The Chelsea Review, in 1994 before selling it to Heritage Newspapers a year later.

Hamilton was general manager of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader under Heritage Newspapers from 1995 to 1999, and was hired as the chamber's executive director in 2000. He will be reporting for a local business publication.

During his tenure as director, the chamber office moved from the basement of the Chelsea State Bank, 305 Main St., into new

digs at 522 N. Main Street.

Hamilton capitalized on technology by communicating regularly with chamber members via e-mail and an online newsletter. He also computerized the accounting system to more easily see how the chamber was meeting budget projections.

In addition, he has worked with the chamber board to organize members into task forces with specific goals.

"This year, we have an Advocacy Task Force for the first time," he said.

Other task forces organize business seminars, membership and economic development.

Under Hamilton's guidance, the chamber contracted for the first full-color Community Profile and Membership Guide. The father of a teen-age son, he also started a program to pair members with high school students seeking summer employment.

Hamilton, who has also served on the Chelsea Education Foundation board and the Downtown Development Authority board

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Businessman leaves legacy

Paul "Skip" Ungrodt was a philanthropist.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Paul "Skip" Ungrodt may have been a native of Ypsilanti, but he was surely an adopted son of Chelsea.

Ungrodt, the owner of Dayspring Gifts on South Main Street, died Jan. 12 after battling cancer for several years. He was 72.

Friends and family will say goodbye in a memorial service noon Tuesday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River St., in Ypsilanti.

Ungrodt, a veteran of the gift shop industry for more than four decades, bought Dayspring Gifts in Chelsea from Laurie Gravelyn in the early 1990s. Gravelyn had been a customer of Ungrodt's wholesale catalog company, Ideation.

Gravelyn called Ungrodt "truly one in a million."

"Skip was extremely generous, very likeable, nationally well-known and respected in the gift business, and had become a mentor and a good friend to me," Gravelyn said Monday.

"His goodwill extended to

Chelsea in the way he continued to run Dayspring, bought the building, upgraded the building both internally and externally, and was a generous donor to the Chelsea Merchants Association, CCDA (Chelsea for the Center of the Development of the Arts) and Purple Rose (Theatre Co.).

"We all loved him."

Dayspring Gifts employee Veretta Whitaker, who said Monday that she lost a friend, called Ungrodt "tops" as a boss.

"Skip had a lot of trust in me and I had more in him," Whitaker said. "He had a great vision for Dayspring and he made it happen."

Ann Feeney, director of the Downtown Development Authority, said Monday the DDA is extremely grateful to Ungrodt for his contributions to the downtown area, which stand as his legacy to Chelsea.

"Skip restored his building with such integrity," she said. "He hosted a wonderful Business After Hours event there."

"He was a very nice man and a very genuine person."

In 1998, Ungrodt, an Ann

Arbor resident, approached the Purple Rose Theatre and offered to launch a capital campaign to fund a new building for the company.

"It's not very often that donors are that forthcoming, but Skip was that kind of man," Purple Rose Development Director Judy Gallagher said. "He was a successful businessman who believed in giving support to the communities he lived and worked in."

"He felt strongly that the theater was an asset to the businesses in town."

"He will be missed not only for his generosity, but for his

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Lima Twp. may get fire station

■ Officials looking at location near I-94 and Fletcher Road.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Representatives of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Board met Jan. 16 in a special meeting with the Lima Township Board to discuss issues related to the fire department.

The group appears to favor construction of an additional substation in the area of Interstate 94 and Fletcher Road. Previously, the Fire Authority's long-range plan called for an additional station in the area of I-94 and M-52.

The work session was scheduled specifically for Fire Authority Chairman Maryann Noah, Treasurer Andrew Adrian and Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood to respond to questions and concerns the Township Board had about the Fire Authority.

Adrian put the meeting in focus by repeating a slide presentation on the Fire Authority's long-range plan, which was first presented to the community Aug. 29. It was at that time that the idea for an additional substation on M-52 south of I-94 first came to light.

The substation's construction, which would coincide with two others to be built in Lyndon and Waterloo townships and include a makeover of the downtown station, was planned for 2004. Adrian, however, now doubts the plan can be implemented next year. He said a deal could not be struck with someone to donate land.

Noah said a substation in the area of Fletcher and I-94 in Lima Township is a possible option. She said the Chelsea Area Fire Authority wants to serve all of Lima Township. Dexter Area Fire Department currently serves the eastern half.

Lima Township Planning Commissioner Howard Sias, Clerk Arlene Bareis and Trustee Gregory McKenzie said they would not feel comfortable having the township served exclusively by Chelsea without a substation in the township.

Sias said it would be more practical for the village station and a substation in Lima Township to cover the area on M-52 south of I-94 rather than a substation in the Sylvan Township location.

Dexter Area Fire Department Chairman Wally Fusilier, who represents Lima Township on the Fire Board, reminded the officials that if the township pulls out of its long-standing relationship with Dexter, it would lose its investment in trucks and fire equipment.

McKenzie said that the board would have to determine which is the better trade-off.

Else Heller, the township's office manager, brought up the need to promote dry hydrants in the township. The hydrants connect to piping that goes below the frost line and draw water from a natural source as it filters out sediment.

Ellenwood said that the excavation costs of a hydrant usually deters people from installing them. He estimated the total cost at \$2,000.

Ellenwood said the Chelsea Area Fire Authority would be willing to help with costs not related to excavation and suggested that residents could work with their neighbors and the township in sharing other costs.

Township officials did not discuss a number of issues they had planned to, including a fire inspection ordinance, business registration form, fire prevention equipment on first-response vehicles and the Fire Authority's paid-on-call policy.

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Photo by Michael Rybka

Township Wins Award

The Washtenaw County Homebuilders Association recently recognized Scio Township as an Outstanding Governing Municipality. Township Supervisor E. Spaulding Clark, pictured holding the plaque, and Trustee Jim Cameron accepted the award Jan. 10 at a ceremony at Barton Hills Country Club. The award recognizes efficiency in government, courtesy, as well as the township's planning and zoning strategies.

LEGACY

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friendship, as well."

Even small nonprofit

organizations like the center." CCDA Director Chelsea Center for the Ginger Sissom said Monday. Development of the Arts Associate Editor Sheila were on Ungrodt's list. Pursglove can be reached at 475-1371 or via e-mail at spursglove@heritage.com.

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DIRECTOR

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during his two decades in Chelsea, worked to create the first Business Leadership Awards, which will be presented next month.

Hamilton said he owes a great deal of his success at the chamber to Ric Sauer, who served as chamber president the last two years.

"He was always supportive of new ideas and was instrumental in helping us bring technology to the office," he said.

Hamilton said the board has become much more focused and involved in the last few years.

"It's been a pleasure to

work with a group of business people who care so much about the community," he said. "I think that over the next two or three years, you'll see the chamber take an even more prominent leadership role in the community."

Chamber President Art Dils said Monday that Hamilton will be greatly missed by the chamber.

"Brian is pursuing an opportunity consistent with his journalistic background, and we wish him well," Dils said.

The chamber will accept applications for the post until Saturday. Applications may be faxed to 475-6656 or e-mailed to Golfingmichigan@aol.com.

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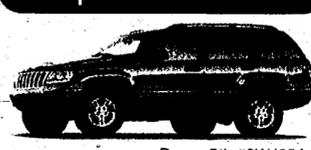
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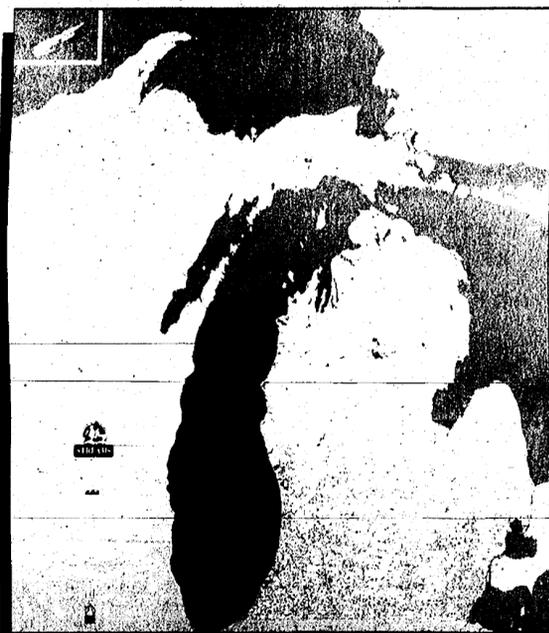
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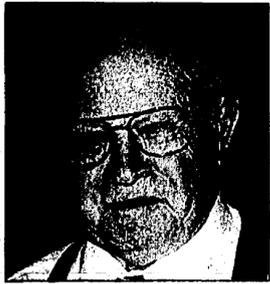
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Fancy Hats

After reading the story of "The Hat" by Jan Brett, pupils at Lambs of Our Savior Christian Preschool in Chelsea celebrated Hat Day by decorating their own folded newspaper hats. Pictured modeling their headgear are Caroline Kim (left), MacKenzie Strahan, Ella Loveland, Emma Hess and Jamie Strader, while Jared Pondell (left) and Ian Brinklow kneel in front.

DEATHS



ALVIN "ALWIN" JULIUS JEDELE
Gregory

Alvin Jedele, 85, of Gregory died Jan. 15, 2003, at the University of Michigan Hospital from complications resulting from injuries in a car accident.

Mr. Jedele was born Oct. 23, 1917, in Lodi Township to Edward and Mathilda (Blaess) Jedele. He married Lorinda C. Bouller Nov. 2, 1940, and she survives. Also surviving are his children, James L. (Nancy) Jedele, Carol Tunningley and Phyllis (Thomas) Risdon; a sister, Viola Hack; nine grandchildren, Phillip, Julie (Matt) Desbrough, Brian (Stephanie), Sarah, David, Paul Jedele; Dan and Lori Risdon; and Garth Tunningley; and two great-grandchildren, Alyssa and Erin Jedele.

Mr. Jedele was preceded in death by his parents; infant daughter, Alinda; son-in-law, Gerald Tunningley; a sister, Loretta Lambarth; and a brother, Ormond Jedele.

Mr. Jedele worked at the Argus Camera Co. in Ann Arbor and then at the Willow Run Bomber Plant during World War II before becoming a painter and foreman for the University of Michigan Plant Department.

Mr. Jedele retired from the U of M after 30 years of service. He was also a full-time farmer, having grown up on the family farm in Lodi Township. He completed a dream of owning his own farm in 1963, when the family moved to Dexter Township, and recently retired from

raising beef cattle, sheep, hay, corn and other crops.

Mr. Jedele was a member of the Wolverine Farm Bureau. He was also a faithful member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Saline and then Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church in Dexter his entire life.

He served in various church council positions, including elder and congregational chairman, as well as on church building committees. He was always there when needed.

Mr. Jedele will be remembered as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. His love of his savior and his family was demonstrated to all who knew him and will live on as a wonderful example for everyone.

A funeral was held Sunday at Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church in Dexter. The Rev. Mark Porlinsky officiated. Burial was at Lodi Cemetery in Saline. Funeral arrangements were made through Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea.

Memorial contributions may be made to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church Building Fund.

RACHEL MAY (WEST) WELCH
Chelsea

Rachel May (West) Welch, 88, of Chelsea died Jan. 17, 2003, at the Chelsea Retirement Community. She was born Jan. 13, 1915, on the property at the corner of Old US-12 and Forner Road in Sylvan Center.

Mrs. Welch lived all her life on the property. She enjoyed reading, sewing, cooking and her family.

Mrs. Welch was one of eight children of Lyman and May (Salisbury) West. She married Lavern E. Welch Jan. 3, 1933, in Ann Arbor and he preceded her in death May 16, 1990.

Surviving are her three daughters, Audrey Lautermilch of Camden, Janice Welch and Linda Alder, both of Grass Lake; three granddaughters; three grandsons; one great-granddaughter; five great-grandsons; one sister, Helen Armstrong of Grand Rapids; and one brother, Howard West of Munith.

She was preceded in death by a

son, Lyle; her son-in-law, Ivan Alder; and five brothers, Alfred, Harry, Richard and Wilbur West.

A funeral was held Tuesday at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, 901 N. Main St., in Chelsea. The Revs. Daniel W. Harris and Carolyn G. Harris of Salem Grove United Methodist Church co-officiated. Burial was at Maple Grove Cemetery in Sylvan Center.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Arbor Hospice or the Chelsea Retirement Community.

FRANCES E. BUCHANAN
Dexter

Frances E. Buchanan, 73, of Dexter died Jan. 19, 2003, at Arbor Hospice Residence. She was born May 12, 1929, in Adrian.

Mrs. Buchanan married Ronald Buchanan in 1954 and he survives. Also surviving are a son, Bruce (Sandy) Buchanan; a daughter, Katherine Martindale; three grandchildren, Andrew (Patricia) Lobdell, Brian Buchanan and Nicole Buchanan; and a brother, Richard Carkeek.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Gwen Bourn.

Mrs. Buchanan was retired from Chrysler Corp, now DaimlerChrysler AG, and was a member of the Ann Arbor Free Methodist Church.

A funeral was held yesterday at Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel in Dexter. Burial was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

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Women of all musical backgrounds are encouraged to attend. Sight-reading is not required and learning tapes and section rehearsals will be used to learn music.

The sessions will start 7 p.m. Feb. 4 at the UAW Hall, 8975 Textile Road, in Ypsilanti. Women interested in signing up for classes

should contact Jennifer Jones at 1-734-480-8843 or by e-mail at chorus@sweetadelines.org.

The County Connection Chorus is affiliated with Sweet Adelines International, a worldwide singing organization for women. Members of the chorus represent 13 communities and five Michigan counties.

In June, the chorus represented the state of Michigan at the 2002 National Festival of States in Washington, D.C.

To learn more about the chorus and its activities, go to the Web site www.sweetadelines.org.

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Don't be surprised if you hear "spend some more time with your pet and call me in the morning" at your next doctor's visit.

According to a recent national survey conducted by the American Animal Hospital Association, 92 percent of all pet owners say that pets have joined diet and exercise as a prescription for better health.

Pet owners attribute reduced stress levels, improved mental health and physical fitness, and lower blood pressure to spending time with their four-legged companions.

The American Animal Hospital Association surveyed 1,242 pet owners from 41 states, Puerto Rico and Canada. Many of the results are interesting and show the importance of our pets.

In an effort to learn more about the relationships between humans and their pets, the study asked pet owners about their day-to-day interactions with their companion animals.

The results indicate that the majority of pet owners consider their pets to be members of the family and will go to great measures to keep them healthy and happy.

Of the 1,242 pet owners surveyed, 40 percent had one dog, 24 percent had two dogs, 9 percent had three dogs, 3 percent had four dogs and 4 percent had five or more dogs.

Eighty-four percent of the people surveyed acquired their pet mainly for companionship and the same num-

ber of people said their pets eased their stress level.

It seems our pets have a large influence on the purchasing decisions in our lives. Thirty-seven percent of the respondents said their pet influenced what type of housing they chose. Thirty-four percent said their pets determined the type of furniture they purchased and 24 percent said their pets determined the type of car they bought.

Our pets also appear to enhance our moods on a daily basis. An overwhelming 94 percent of the respondents said their pet made them smile more than once a day. No wonder pet owners seem happier and more content.

Eighty-six of the participants said they include their pet in holiday celebrations. Christmas led the way, with 96 percent saying the pet was

included in the celebrations. Thanksgiving was second, with 53 percent of the respondents saying a pet was included. Halloween followed at 41 percent and Easter at 35 percent.

In celebrating these holidays, 80 percent said they gave their pets special treats, 75 percent hung Christmas stockings, 72 percent gave wrapped presents to or from their pet. More than half of the pet owners said they take holiday photos of their pet.

While a smaller number of people (37 percent) said they sent holiday greeting cards from their pet, more than 70 percent said they signed their pet's name on a greeting card for other occasions.

However, only 5 percent of the people said that their pet's name was included on their phone answering machine or voice mail.

Almost two-thirds the respondents said they have as many or more photos of their pet than they do of their spouse or significant other.

Our pets also seem to be joining us on the road. Forty-two percent of the respondents said they took their pet on an out-of-state vacation and 39 percent take their pets shopping with them.

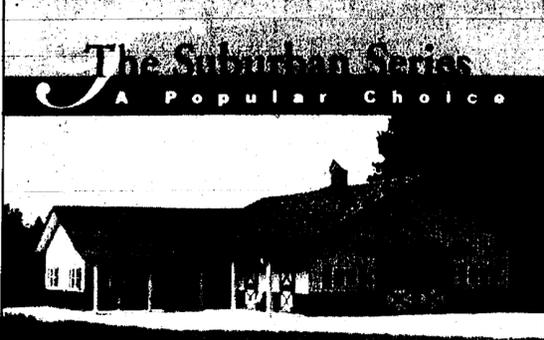
Thirty-five percent said they take their pets to work

and 12 percent accompany them to school. Though 24 percent said they have not traveled with their pets, more than 60 percent said they have altered their travel plans because of their pets.

There were more serious questions on the survey regarding dangerous behavior and pets. Approximately 96 percent said owners should be held legally responsible for the negative

actions of their pets.

The quality and availability of specialty veterinary care now accessible to pet owners continues to increase and pet owners are willing to spend the money to maintain the optimum health of their pets. While 18 percent spent \$500 to \$999 during the last 12 months on veterinary care, 23 percent of those responding said they spent \$1,000 or more.



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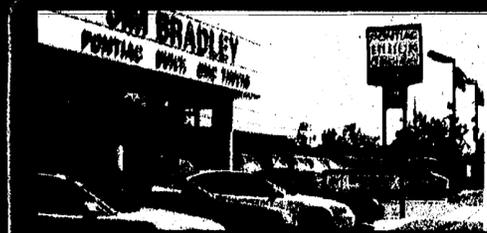
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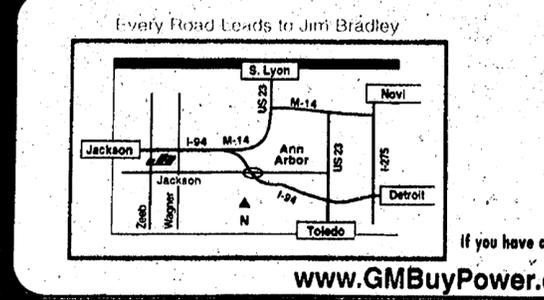


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