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Lawsuit costs village \$71,597

■ Problem stems from work on Old Manchester Road.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

After several months of legal wrangling, a lawsuit involving the village, Davenport Construction Co. and the Arctic Coliseum has ended in arbitration.

Chelsea Village will end up paying \$71,597 to settle the dispute, which involves installation of underground

utilities on Old Manchester Road.

The settlement, however, is substantially less than the \$483,000 originally sought.

The dispute dates back to the fall of 2000, when the Arctic Coliseum was being completed, Village Manager Jack Myers said Monday.

The developer hired Davenport Construction Co. of Belleville to build the ice arena, a road into the facility from Old Manchester Road and to install utilities.

Old Manchester Road was a county road at the time and Washtenaw County did not want utilities in the roadbed under the pavement.

Placing utilities between the edge of the pavement and the road right of way would have resulted in the contractor having to pay to have the trees cut down or bored under, Village Engineer Christine Linfield said Tuesday.

The county also wanted Coliseum Drive aligned with the road leading

into the shopping center that houses Mancino's. The move would have required the Arctic Coliseum to buy more property, Myers said.

To help out, Myers said the village adopted a resolution taking over Old Manchester Road from the county, which the county also approved.

Hanna Ghobrial and Associates Inc. of Southfield were the engineers on the project and Davenport Construction Co. was the contractor.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Faith In Action

banquet set April 26
Faith In Action's annual banquet is set for 6 p.m. April 26 at Chelsea Community Hospital.

John Hruska of Lima Township will be presented with the Howard Holmes Humanitarian Award for his work with the Dexter Lions Club and Christmas in April's Dexter chapter. The award is named after the late founder of Chelsea Milling Co.

Proceeds will benefit Faith In Action, an organization offering help to people in need.

For information or banquet tickets, call 475-3305.

Writing event to be held in Chelsea

The Chelsea High School Writer's Club is sponsoring a Celebration of Writing from 5:30 to 9 p.m. April 15 and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. April 16 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Writers from kindergarten through high school will be featured.

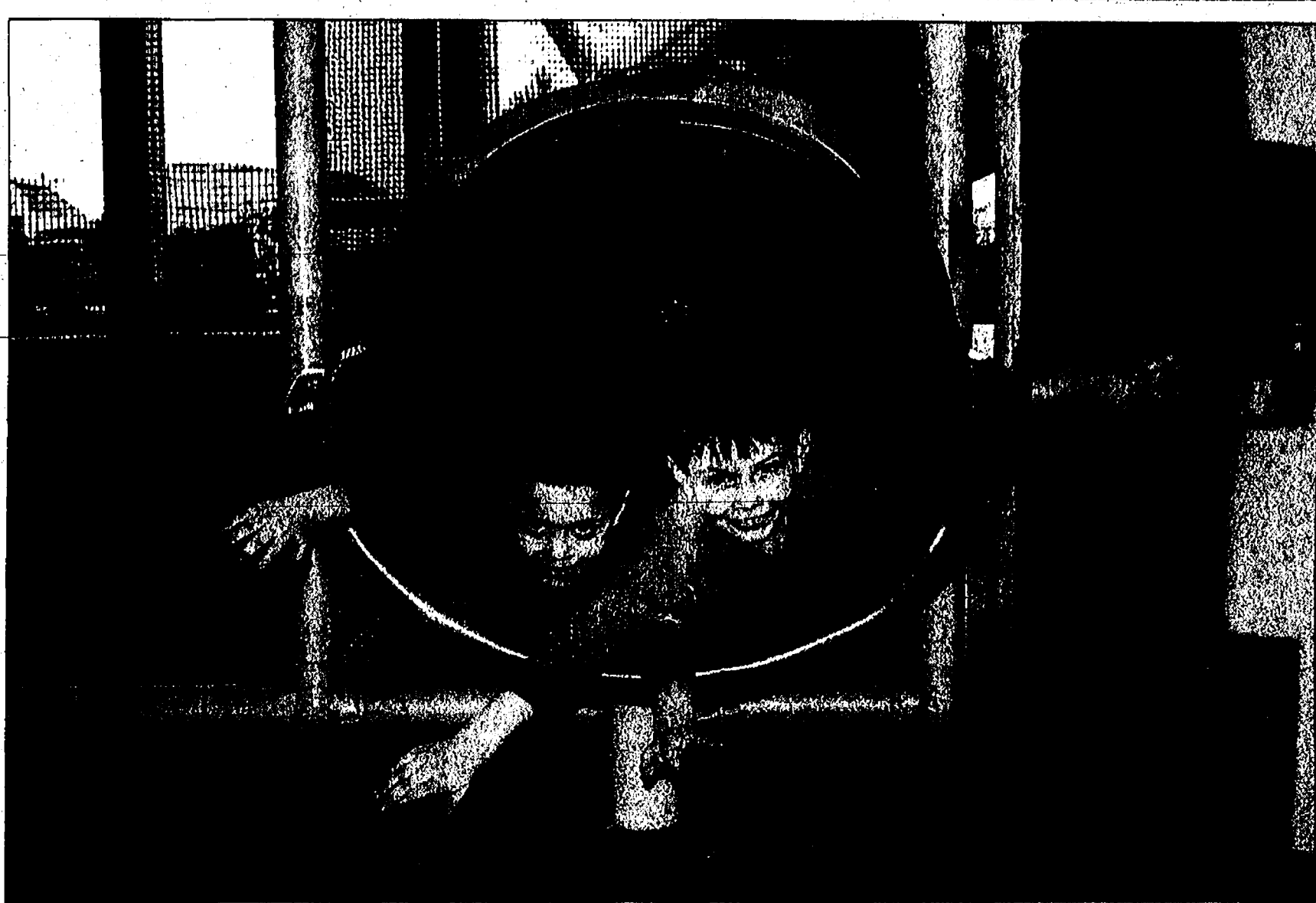
Spring Fling prom for adults slated

The Chelsea High School sophomore class will host a Spring Fling prom for adults 6:30 p.m. April 12 at Chelsea High School.

The event will feature a silent auction, spaghetti dinner and dancing to music from the '60s and '70s.

Funds will support a variety of class activities. Tickets are available from teachers Cheryl Brown and Nancy Zyzelewski. They can be reached at 433-2201.

Flying High



Taylor Mitchell (left) and Dominick Goderis come flying down the slide during a recent visit to the play area at McDonald's restaurant in Chelsea.

Photo by Rita Fischer

Library may seek bond

■ Board subcommittee suggests \$9.5 million facility.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Several members of the Chelsea District Library Board appeared taken aback last week by recommendations reached by a building subcommittee on how to proceed with plans for a new multi-million-dollar facility.

The building committee is recommending a \$9.5 million 20,000-square-foot addition to the existing 1,000-square-foot McKune House on Main Street. Plans will be designed to allow for up to 7,000 square feet of future expansion.

The original plan, which was rejected in theory by the public in a survey last fall, has been scaled back from 24,000 square feet.

The building committee is

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Homefront

Military families wait for news and pray

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Like millions of others, Carolyn Ayers has been glued to the events in Iraq unfolding before her eyes on television.

For Ayers, the images are a little more personal. Her son, Peter, a Dexter High School graduate who has been serving in the U.S. Marine Corps since 1998, is currently in Kuwait.

"I've been watching the

news a little too much," she said. "It has been a bit scary to not know where he is."

The Webster Township resident finds her job as a preschool teacher with Chelsea Community Education Preschool provides a certain amount of

respite and distraction from her worry.

"I can't think about him while I'm there," she said. "The children occupy all my time. I enjoy them a lot. It's good for me to be there."

Dexter Township resident Jean Burby said her husband's call to go to combat was surreal. Her husband, Jim, has been in the Navy Reserves for 10 years.

"Through the years there has always been a possibility that he would be called,"

Burby said. "When he finally got called, it was kind of surreal. I didn't believe that this was happening."

Burby said it's exciting and an adventure for her husband. "It's what he does," she said. But she and her four children are dealing with everyday life and finding it hard with him being gone. She said her youngest, 10, has the hardest time.

"He will say how much he misses him or wishes he were home," she said. "He wants

to fly there and see him, not understanding how dangerous it is."

Mark and Dawn Redick of Dexter Township spoke with their son, Brandon Sherk, a couple of weeks ago. Sherk, who plans to study law after his tour of duty ends, is a mechanic in the U.S. Army.

Dawn Redick said her son is fine, as far as she knows. "If something is going on, he could not tell me anyhow," she said.

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Residents react to war

■ **Peace activists hold candlelight vigil after war declared against Iraqi regime.**

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

It's been an emotional week for Americans since the country and its allies went to war against Saddam Hussein's regime in Iraq last Thursday. Local residents are struggling to cope with their reactions to the war.

The same day war was declared, 25 members of the Chelsea Area Network of Peace Activists joined in a candlelight peace vigil at Pierce Park in Chelsea.

Organizer Gary Maveal said a group of 40 met at noon Sunday at their regular meeting spot outside the Chelsea Post Office. "Where we again marked and mourned the senseless loss of life on both sides of the conflict," he said.

"We support all the U.S. troops and wish them a safe return from their mission," Maveal said. "They should be recalled now."

Maveal said Bush should not have launched war without the United Nations' support.

"It is regrettable that the president has launched this war in the face of overwhelming international opposition. Intervening halfway around the world upon a perceived threat — without mandate from the world of nations — President Bush has clearly invited protest," he said. "Not only is he acting in disregard of world opinion and international law, he also risks endangering our national security."

Art Dils, president of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce and a veteran,

takes a different viewpoint when he sees peace protesters on television.

"I'm so proud of America and our president and our willingness to bite the bullet for the sake of freedom," he said.

"It would be interesting to know how many of the anti-war demonstrators have served their country. They have no appreciation for the cost of remaining free and safe. They have made no investment."

Dils said he doesn't understand what the protesters are trying to accomplish.

"No one likes war," he said. "We all grieve for the loss of life. What I don't understand is why the demonstrators are not demonstrating against the cruel, murdering dictator in Iraq who is forcing us to protect ourselves while providing new hope for the citizens of Iraq. They are really encouraging him, which puts the coalition at greater risk."

"If they lived in Iraq, my bet is they would beg to get back to the good old USA."

Dick Shaneyfelt, director of Faith In Action in Chelsea, is another veteran who is upset by some of the demonstrations he sees on television.

Shaneyfelt, who said he is on an "emotional roller coaster" as he watches the news, said that while all wars are immoral, just or not, "without the defense of our democracy, we have no future."

Shaneyfelt, who said Chelsea has buried a lot of men and women who made the commitment to defend the American way of life, said he was sickened by both the rising death toll in Iraq and by protesters burning American flags.

"When I see the death toll rise, I pray for an end to all loss of life in battle and for the families who have lost loved ones," he said.

"But when I see our flag being burned, I feel as though these people are spitting in the face of every man and woman who ever wore the uniform and I feel they have desecrated the grave of every man and woman who gave their life to keep us free."

Local firefighter and paramedic Lynn Higelmire has two close friends whose sons are serving in the Army. One of the soldiers is her godson.

"I pray for their safe return and, if it is their time, for God to guide them safely home," she said. "I'm proud they are there to defend what we believe in and support them, the other troops and our leaders."

Metta Lansdale, director of the Chelsea District Library, said she's grateful for the dedication of servicemen and -women currently or soon-to-be in the Middle East and prays for their safety.

"Personally, I am uncomfortable with this administration's new tack using pre-emptive force and the departure from a priority of negotiation to resolve world problems," she said.

"That said, we may not really be able to know if this is the right path until all is said and done. I'm watching news of these events very closely."

Grass Lake resident Pat Adams, a member of the Chelsea Senior Center, said she was against the war originally and did not agree with the president. "However, since we are at war, I am in full support of the troops," she said.

Chelsea Senior Center Director Colleen O'Neill said she did not think America should have been the aggressor. "However, we are now at war and above all, I fully support our troops," she said. "I pray daily for their safety."

"I hope that now we are engaged something good will come of this. Of course, there will be a cost. There already has been and there will be more lives lost. This just breaks my heart."

"And there is a part of me that cannot believe that after all we've learned about war, here we are again."

O'Neill said that while she expected America and its allies would win the war, she did not believe it would rid the world of the kind of evil that is at the root of world terrorism.

Ginger Sissom, director of the Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts, said her staff is sensing the effects of the war and constant news reports in both children and adults.

"During this dark time we find that the arts and things of beauty really do have the ability to lift our spirits," she said. "Several people have commented on how when they sing or paint it's an escape from the heaviness they feel."

Grass Lake resident Tom Peckham said that his thoughts were summed up when Democratic Sen. Robert Byrd said March 19, "But today I weep for my country."

"I pray that this war will end with the least amount of lives lost," Peckham said.

Chelsea Senior Center host Owen Cathey said he strongly favors what the U.S. government is trying to do, but that the tremendous cost will take money away from important government programs.

Dexter Township resident Glenn Vanneste said that America has chosen the position to be the policeman of the world.

"And we know freedom comes with a price," Vanneste said.

"Regardless of anyone's thoughts on why this war is being fought, we must support those overseas and their families back home."



Birthday Bash

North Creek Elementary School teacher Bev Peebles (left) is escorted by teacher Sandy Lantis through an avenue of cheering children when the school threw a surprise 60th birthday party for Peebles March 17.

Red Cross meeting slated tonight

In response to the flood of inquiries the Washtenaw County Chapter of the American Red Cross is receiving from residents, the organization will hold a town meeting 7 p.m. tonight at the local chapter, 2729 Packard Road, in Ann Arbor.

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She said e-mail contact has been slow and frustrating.

Brandon's sister, Cindil, a Chelsea High School student, has also talked to her brother.

"I'm concerned that he's overseas, but I know that he has to do what he has to do," she said. Cindil said she does not know many other students with siblings in the military.

Dan Collison of Sylvan Township, a veteran of the first Gulf War against Iraq, has waited impatiently on standby for months. Collison, who served for 14 years in the Marines, currently serves with the National Guard in Ypsilanti.

"It's rather aggravating to just sit here and do nothing," he said. "I'm ready again to serve my country but can do nothing until I'm called."

Collison has vivid memories of his 10 months of duty in the Gulf region and empathizes with the troops who are currently there.

"I was sunburned during the day and freezing at night," he said. "I was in Kuwait. The sandstorms were something else. Miles of seeing nothing but sand was also an oddity."

Holly Collison, while used to the idea of her husband being away for military service, is anxious about being a single parent if her husband is called up.

Collison, who remembers how welcome letters from home were, asked people to remember the men and women in the military in their prayers.

"If you don't support war or agree with it, at least support the people from the community who are there," he said.

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Ten teachers to retire, resign

■ **Loss of staff helps district meet planned budget reductions.**

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

The Chelsea School District will lose 10 teachers by the end of the school year.

The retirements and resignations should help the school district meet its proposed goal of reducing certi-

fied staff salaries by \$803,000 in its 2003-04 budget.

Chelsea High School teacher consultant John Capper retired in January.

Other staff members who have announced their retirements effective at the end of the school year are Chelsea High School teacher Jim Tallman, Beach Middle School teacher Leonard Solomon, Pierce Lake Elementary School teacher

Barb Doolittle, and South Meadows Elementary School teachers Cindy Mortensen and Susan Harris.

Dan White, of operations, is also retiring.

Beach teachers Michael LeCloux and Kimberley Michalak, and high school teachers Scott Long and Amie Ohlmann have announced their resignations, as well.

Beach Middle School

teacher Andrea Bareis and North Creek Elementary School teacher Luman Strong will take full-time leaves of absence in 2003-04.

"We are very fortunate that as we move through these financially difficult times we should not have to lay off any teachers for next school year," Superintendent Dave Killips said. "In fact, we have a few part-time teachers who will become full time."



Photo by Rita Fischer

Construction Zone

Travis Heydlauff puts together a jigsaw puzzle during a recent class at Chelsea Community Education Preschool.

Board extends superintendent's contract

■ **Contract will run through June 30, 2006.**

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Chelsea Schools Superintendent David Killips has received good marks for his

first year on the job.

The Chelsea school board met in closed session during Monday's board meeting to evaluate the superintendent.

Killips, who came on board July 1 after Superintendent Ed Richardson retired, has had a baptism by fire since

moving to Chelsea from Reed City Schools. His proposal in February to reconfigure the Chelsea elementary and middle schools next school year met with considerable opposition, but was approved 6-1 by the board March 12.

The board gave Killips the

thumbs up and extended his current three-year contract through June 30, 2006.

Board President Scott Broshar said Tuesday that the board found Killips "satisfactory" in all areas.

"That doesn't sound like a very glowing recommendation, but it's the format that we use," Broshar said. "We're very happy with his performance and the leadership he's brought to the district."

"Dave has got off to a strong start. There have been some issues to deal with, but that's part and parcel of the job. He's met them head on."

Business director reviews budget

■ **Zigman says school district does not need to borrow to meet current cash needs.**

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

It looks as if the Chelsea School District will not need to borrow any additional money in excess of its \$3.3 million current state aid note to meet current cash needs.

That was the word from Teresa Zigman, the district's executive director of business and operations, in her report to the school board Monday.

"This brings a lot of relief to all of us," she said.

Zigman said the school district has made its first repayment to the School Bond Loan Fund in the amount of \$1.375 million using money from the current debt levy of 7 mills.

"Keep in mind that the state will not allow us to lower our 7-mill debt level until we have the School Bond Loan Fund completely paid off," she said.

Zigman said the current balance is \$3,603,719, plus accrued interest.

"Although the balance is quite high and given that interest rates have been far from spectacular, we are still on schedule and anticipate being able to pay off this debt during the 2005-06 year," she said.

Zigman said the final student count at the end of February is 2,938.

"This is much better than our preliminary estimates, which had us down approximately 22," she said. "It's

quite a task to accurately project the student count on the count day as there are several absences that are not verified. Therefore, we're unsure how they will fall out in the end."

To cut \$2 million from the school district budget, the board is looking at proposed reductions that include eliminating the driver's education program, which costs \$15,000 a year to run. However, the district may instead decide to increase the amount paid by students to cover costs.

The school district is looking at cutting \$803,000 in cer-

tified staff salaries; \$114,000 from administrative staff; \$54,000 from paraprofessionals; \$97,000 from support staff; \$62,000 from operations staff; and \$46,000 from technology staff.

The proposal includes trimming \$30,000 from administrative expenses, and the same amount from operation expenses.

The school district is looking at cutting bus purchases by \$120,000; athletics by \$50,000; the amount provided to the senior citizens center by \$10,000; food services by \$5,000 and the fund equity by \$700,000.

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Pink water startles residents

■ **Faulty air valve caused water problem last Thursday.**

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Some Chelsea residents saw red last week when tap water turned pink.

Residents called the Chelsea Village Offices last Thursday to find out why their water was pink. In light of the country being at war with Iraq and continued terrorist threats, many worried there was something toxic in the water supply.

Water Department Superintendent Dan Rosentreter said Friday that the problem was caused by potassium permanganate, which is added to water at the treatment plant to help filter iron.

"Potassium permanganate is a very common chemical used for iron removal, but the slightest overfeed will cause pink water," he said.

Laura Chuhuran, a district engineer with the water division of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, said Friday that potassium permanganate is an approved drinking water additive.

Chuhuran, who said it was her first experience with pink water, said the problem was caused by a mechanical malfunction that had been remedied. Staff from DEQ was in Chelsea Friday morning, and will work with the village to ensure the problem doesn't recur, she said.

Although pink water may be safe from a toxicological viewpoint, the DEQ recommends residents don't drink it, and that they flush their faucets until the water runs clear.

Rosentreter said the problem was caused by a broken airline on an outside valve at the treatment plant. When the valve stayed closed, the system continued to feed potassium permanganate into the filter tank, creating

a heavy concentration.

After workers repaired the airline and the valve reopened, Rosentreter said the concentrated water went through the system and ended up being pumped into town.

Rosentreter said the problem mainly affected areas that receive water early in the system, namely the Chelsea Industrial Park, West Middle Street and the Lanewood subdivision.

The first complaints about discolored water came in Thursday afternoon, he said. Crews investigated and realized what had happened.

"Staff opened fire hydrants a bit, to dump the pink water," Rosentreter said. "They also worked late into the night to continue flushing the system."

Rosentreter said the department received calls from the Lanewood subdivision Friday morning and continued hydrant flushing.

The village put announcements on local cable TV

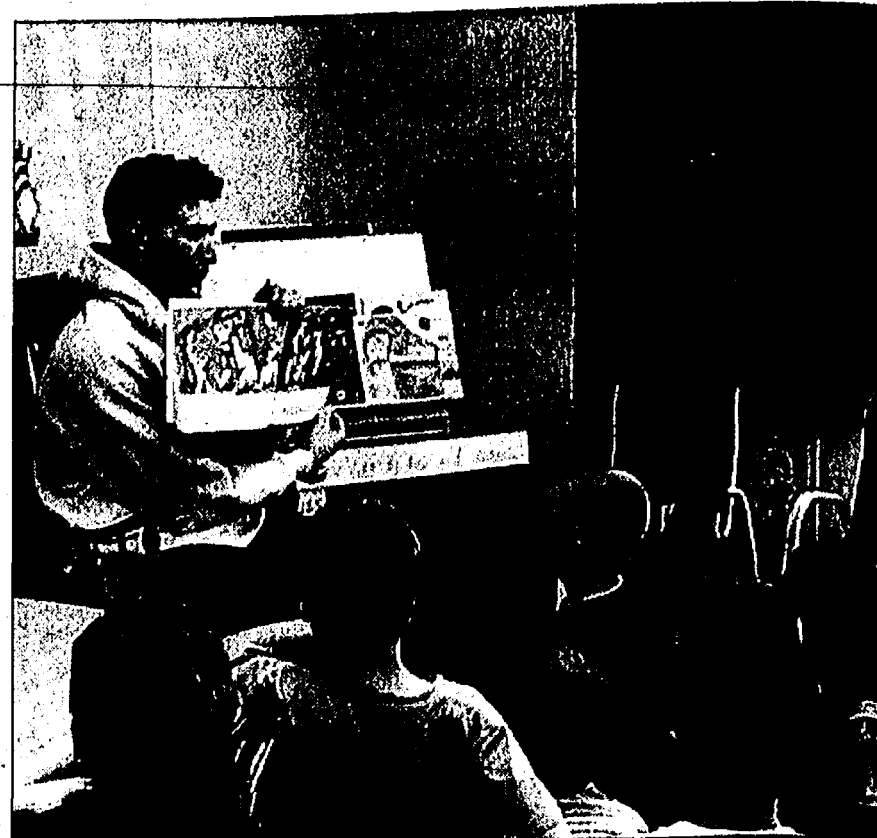
Channel 18 to inform residents of the problem.

Rosentreter said crews have stepped up security checks in recent months because of national terrorism alerts, but would also pay extra attention to the valves to prevent the problem from recurring.

The American Water Works Association Web site at www.awwa.org has information on potassium permanganate, a purple crystalline compound that is soluble in water. According to the site, someone would have to ingest huge quantities of pink water to suffer ill effects.

Carus Chemical Co., a leading manufacturer, recommends a solution of 1/3 white vinegar, 1/3 of three percent hydrogen peroxide and 1/3 water to get pink stains out of laundry.

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Slap Shot

Chelsea High School senior Drew Warren, a leading scorer on the varsity hockey team, set aside pucks and sticks in favor of books when he read to Deb Holefska's first-grade class at North Creek Elementary School as part of National Reading Month celebrations.

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Library may add more staff

■ **Trustees suggest hiring interim director so Lansdale can work on building project.**

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

As many in corporate America tighten their purse strings while instituting a hiring freeze or laying off employees, the Chelsea District Library is looking to add positions.

Chelsea District Library Director Metta Lansdale presented a reconfigured hiring plan to the Library Board March 18 after doubts were expressed last month that two part-time positions under consideration would be enough.

Lansdale proposed hiring a full-time assistant for herself at a cost of \$40,800, plus \$3,000 in benefits.

In addition, the plan calls for expanding the community relations director's position by another 10 hours a week, hiring a part-time reference librarian and adding six hours a week to circulation desk support at a combined cost of \$35,200.

Lansdale said a vacant, full-time administrative assistant position, as well as a vacant head of adult services position, also need to be filled.

The board did not take action.

Last month, Lansdale proposed two 20-hour positions at a cost of \$33,000 to help at the circulation desk, the reference desk and to provide

bookkeeping and clerical support. At the time, the board said administrative support was needed more than clerical help.

Lansdale's latest proposal met skepticism from the board because it doesn't appear to free up more of her time to concentrate on promoting a new library building.

The board is looking at asking voters to approve a .80 bond issue to support a \$9.5 million, 20,000-square-foot addition to the McKune House. The library has been temporarily housed at the Washington Street Education Center because of space constraints.

Lansdale said the assistant to the director would help with fund-raising efforts and capital support, while the administrative assistant helps the managerial staff with facility management, day-to-day operations and purchasing.

She said the newly created assistant to the director position would be regarded at the same level as the administrative assistant and, as such, needed to be permanent to be eligible for benefits.

Board President Kathy Sprawka, Vice President Jan Dohner, Treasurer John Goulay and Secretary Gregory DeGraff all expressed concern that the new proposal simply added more clerical help instead of the professional, executive type of help that they think is needed.

Lansdale said it's neces-

sary for her to continue with the building project because it's not possible to bring someone in who does not know the project's history.

She said the library's professional staff has freed her to concentrate on building plans, while additional clerical help has taken over some of her responsibilities related to the board, such as typing up meeting minutes and working on spread sheets.

Sprawka and Dohner suggested that an interim or an acting director be hired through the duration of the building project.

Tina Diab, head of the youth services division, said that it would be a mistake for the board to force Lansdale to reconfigure personnel contrary to her wishes. She said it would only make Lansdale look over other people's shoulders if they were working on something that she was not comfortable with relinquishing.

Lansdale was told by board skeptics to prove her case in writing before any official action is taken, although they disagreed on the best way to do so.

Sprawka and Dohner said the difference in duties between the assistant to the director and the administrative assistant needs to be

more clearly defined.

DeGraff said it's more important for Lansdale to give evidence in writing as to how the new hiring structure would allow her more time to concentrate on the building project.

DeGraff said he needs to be convinced that the board would not be hiring more full-time clerical help only to have to hire an assistant director later.

Trustees Nancy Schumann and Lynn Fox were more receptive to Lansdale's approach.

Schumann said her instincts told her that it was right and Fox said if the existing management was comfortable with the idea then so was she.

The issue will be revisited at next month's board meeting. The board meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

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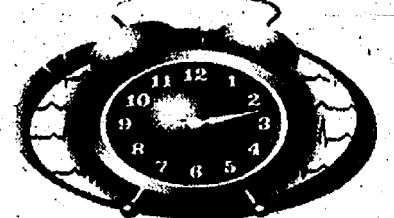
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habits we acquire, we still have a sinful nature, and there is a natural attraction between our sinful nature and evil spirits. Evil spirits have an easy time coming and trashing our morals and values and good habits, along with the house of our life. Even if we don't fall into shameful vices, the evil spirit of pride and self-satisfaction can move in and be more deadly than all the other spirits."

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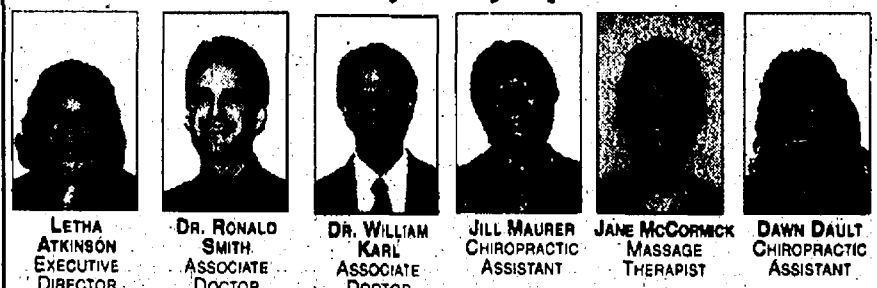
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Grant may have strings

■ **Board trustee wants attorney to first look over provisions.**

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

A grant the Chelsea District Library Board is trying to procure to help with a filmed oral history project may be delayed.

The \$15,554 federal grant is being pursued to help Alex Weddon, president of the Local News Network cable Channel 18, and Kathy Clark, president of the Chelsea Historical Society, in digitally recording memories of up to 50 local residents.

The recollections would be made available to library patrons in digital video format and shown on Channel 18 in the village.

Board Secretary Gregory

DeGraff balked at the strings attached to the grant. He said that there are 24 rules and regulations that the board would have to comply with to accept the money.

DeGraff, an attorney, said that a regulation limiting political activity particularly troubles him because a bond request to finance a new library could be construed as violating the conditions of the grant.

Library Director Metta Lansdale, however, said there is nothing to worry about. She said the rule affects only those who are paid through government funds, which doesn't apply to any board member or library employee.

Board Trustee Nancy Schumann said state law doesn't allow campaigning by board members.

DeGraff recommended

having the grant reviewed by an attorney before moving forward.

Lansdale said the grant is being procured through the Library Services and Technology Act, which has been in place for 30 years. She added that many libraries have procured grants without any repercussions.

Schumann reminded DeGraff that the Michigan Library Association endorses such funding.

Lansdale questioned whether the amount of the grant is worth the cost of having it reviewed by an attorney. DeGraff asked if not having it reviewed is worth potential lawsuits.

He added that if the library intends to apply for more federal grants, then the one-time cost of a legal opinion would be worth it.

The issue will be discussed further at next month's Library Board meeting. The board meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

In another matter, the board recognized Nancy Paul for her service on the board. Paul, who was serving as the board's vice president, resigned in January.

Board President Kathy Sprawka commended Paul for the enthusiasm she brought to her former position.

Paul was presented with a copy of the book "American Livestock Breeds" penned by the board's new vice president, Jan Dohner.

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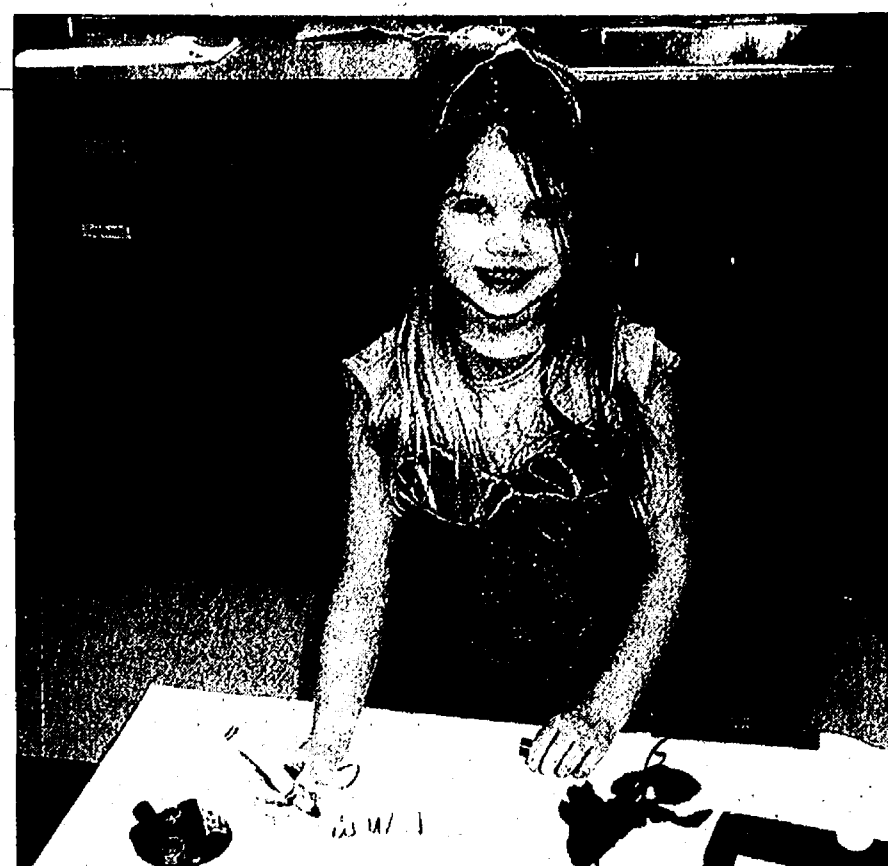


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Regal Miss

Emma Long enjoys dressing up during a recent class at Chelsea Community Education Preschool.

Used book sale set

The Chelsea District Library will hold its spring used book sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 5 at McKune Memorial Library, 221 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

Treasure hunters, shoppers and browsers will find classic novels, non-fiction and fiction titles, reference materials, books for children and young adults, audio and video tapes, kits, games and puzzles.

The library holds five book sales annually. Organized by Friends members Stan and

Dottie Staffeld and Chelsea District Library Volunteer Coordinator Marie Brooks, the sale raised more than \$5,000 last year. A crew of volunteers, including organizers Ellin Mason and Elsie Swanberg, contributed to the success of the sale.

Donations to future book sales may be made at the library's current location, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

For more information or to volunteer, call Brooks at 475-8732.

MDOT meeting set Monday

The Michigan Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting 5 to 7 p.m. Monday in the boardroom at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

The meeting is about the upcoming work when MDOT will mill and resurface 1.2

miles of M-52 in the village. Construction will stretch from Old US-12 to Sibley Road.

All work is expected to be complete by the fall, with no work taking place during the Chelsea Summer Fest or Chelsea Community Fair.

In the first stage, crews

will construct storm sewer, curb and gutter and mill and resurface M-52 from Summit Street north to Sibley Road. A single lane of traffic will be maintained with flag control from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekends.

Two-way traffic will be maintained at all other times, with work taking place during daytime hours only. Weekend work will be allowed.

Storm sewer work will begin at Middle Street and continue north to the outlet at Letts Creek.

In the second stage, crews will work from Old US-12 north to Summit Street. One lane of northbound M-52 traf-

fic will be maintained. Southbound M-52 traffic will be detoured to Middle Street, Wilkinson Street and Old US-12.

Stage 2 work should be completed and all lanes open to traffic by the end of July.

In the third stage, crews will place the final top course from Old US-12 to Sibley Road. A single lane of traffic will be maintained with flag control from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekends.

For more information, call MDOT at 1-810-227-4681 or visit the Web sites at www.chelsea.mi.us or www.michigan.gov/mdot.

Commission discusses cityhood with students

■ **Commissioner urges youths to consider public service.**

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

The Chelsea City Charter Commission spoke to a group of mostly Chelsea High School students March 22 about the village's quest for cityhood status.

The meeting was held in the cafeteria of Chelsea Community Hospital. A final draft of the charter is required by April 22.

Students in teacher Marcus Helms' 12th-grade U.S. government class attended the meeting for extra credit.

Although input was minimal, the students unanimously agreed that the city's name should be "the city of Chelsea" rather than the previously proposed "the city of Chelsea Village."

As at the community outreach meeting held last month at The Pines, a senior citizen apartment complex in Chelsea, Commission Chairman Jack Merkel explained that the village is currently subject to a state charter dating back to 1895.

Merkel said the charter has never been updated because village government is "the lowest form of government, lower than townships," and no one has pursued village status in ages.

Commissioner Fred Mills said Chelsea's city charter would be worded in a way that would be valid 50 or more years from now.

Mills, the former assistant superintendent of schools, also assured the students that the boundaries of the Chelsea School District would not change.

Bringing up two advantages to cityhood that have not been raised before, Commissioner Stanley Burke said that it would give Chelsea a say in where traffic lights are placed on state and county roadways, and give Chelsea control over train traffic within its boundaries.

Merkel said that the move to cityhood has been delayed by about a decade as a result of apathy, fear of change and a lack of continuity in those who serve in public office.

He urged the students to consider becoming active in local politics, saying that it's worthwhile and satisfying.

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Washington Street Education Center
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BOND

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composed of Library Board Trustee Lynn Fox, Director Metta Lansdale and five residents. It also includes the library's professional staff and the project's architect, Jim Mumby.

Fox and Lansdale said at the board's March 18 meeting that voters likely will be asked to support 0.80 mills as part of a bond request to expand the facility. The library is currently located in leased quarters at the Washington Street Education Center in Chelsea.

Lansdale said the project depends on at least \$1 million generated from a private fund-raising drive and/or corporate donations.

Board President Kathy Sprawka and Board Secretary Gregory DeGraff asked why the building committee was involving itself

with fund-raising goals. DeGraff said that the capital campaign is a separate issue that shouldn't concern the building committee.

Sprawka said because economies change with the times, it's too early to be setting parameters.

Board Vice President Jan Dohner said the committee's work is premature and it provided no evidence on how it reached its conclusions.

Treasurer John Gourlay added that the board relied upon the "outside" make-up of the committee for "emotional support" and not on estimating how much the capital campaign would generate or how the money would be spent.

Lansdale said parameters needed to be established to stimulate capital campaign contributions rather than relying on capital campaign contributions to establish the parameters.

"The goal of the capital campaign is to reduce the size of the bond, not to make the building bigger," she said.

Sprawka said there isn't a set objective for the donations. She said there has been talk of using the money for restoration at the McKune House.

Lansdale said the committee's conclusions are based on "what feels right." She said the library's last attempt at passing a bond issue for a new building was based on population and was rejected by voters.

Lansdale said that to rely again on updated demographics would have the new addition even larger than the one that was rejected.

Fox said that many residents interviewed by The Breton Group who opposed the original 24,000-square-foot plan came back later and said 20,000 square feet would be acceptable.

The Breton Group is a professional firm that advises its clients on how to go about attaining the financial capital necessary for its goals.

Schumann said conversations with two prospective donors have led her to believe that even a 20,000-square-foot addition might be excessive. She suggested that the committee consider reducing the size by another 2,000 square feet.

Gourlay changed his tone later in the meeting and said that perhaps the board is repeating its mistakes in not giving enough weight to public sensibilities.

"I not only have confidence in its opinion, I am relying on it," he said, adding that he would like to review the committee's meeting minutes.

Fox said she would take the board's lack of an opinion as a vote of confidence.



Rock Around the Clock

Brittany Schmelz, a fifth-grader at North Creek Elementary School, kicked up her heels and danced to rocker Bill Haley's classic "Rock around the Clock" at the Feb. 21 talent show, the 1950s-themed "At the Hop."

LAWSUIT

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Davenport ran water and sewer north out of Coliseum Drive and tied it in near Pamida Discount Center.

After the work was completed, the contractor reconstructed Old Manchester Road, which was torn up because of utility work. The paving was completed in November 2000.

Myers said Davenport charged the village \$468,000 for the work. He said the village did not have an agreement with the company or Arctic Coliseum and would not pay for it.

Davenport sued in June 2001. While the original lawsuit was for \$468,000, the amount climbed to \$483,000 at final arbitration.

The village, in turn, brought a third-party complaint in September 2001, naming Arctic Pond Inc., Arctic Coliseum Inc., Old Barn Enterprises, as well as developers John Stansik and Kenneth Brandt, as third-

party defendants. Chelsea attorney Peter Flintoft represented the village.

To reduce legal costs, all parties agreed to final arbitration in which there is no appeal. Arbitrator Charles Borgsdorf held hearings March 3 through 7 at Sylvan Township Hall.

The upshot was that Davenport was awarded \$47,794 from the village's Coliseum Drive Special Assessment District Fund and another \$23,803 from the village's general fund for a total \$71,597.

The village was awarded nothing in its counter claim against Davenport or in its third-party complaint against the defendants.

Joe Phillips, an attorney with Conlin, McKenney and Philbrick in Ann Arbor, represented Old Barn Enterprises, an entity owned by Bob Daniels.

"On behalf of Old Barn Enterprises, we never thought the Davenport claim against the village had any merit," Phillips said Monday. Attorney Eric Scheible,

who represented the Arctic Coliseum, said Monday that his client is pleased with the outcome based on the end result of arbitration.

Attorney Thomas DiPietro of Belleville, who represented Davenport Construction, said Tuesday that it was a difficult case for everyone involved.

"The lawyers and arbitrator handled the case in a very

professional manner, notwithstanding the hot disputes that existed," he said. "It was a contentious affair at points, but everyone rose above it."

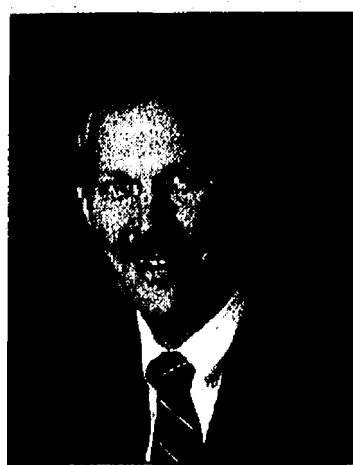
Myers said Monday that while he "was not exactly happy" with the final outcome, he was glad it was finished.

Flintoft declined to comment.

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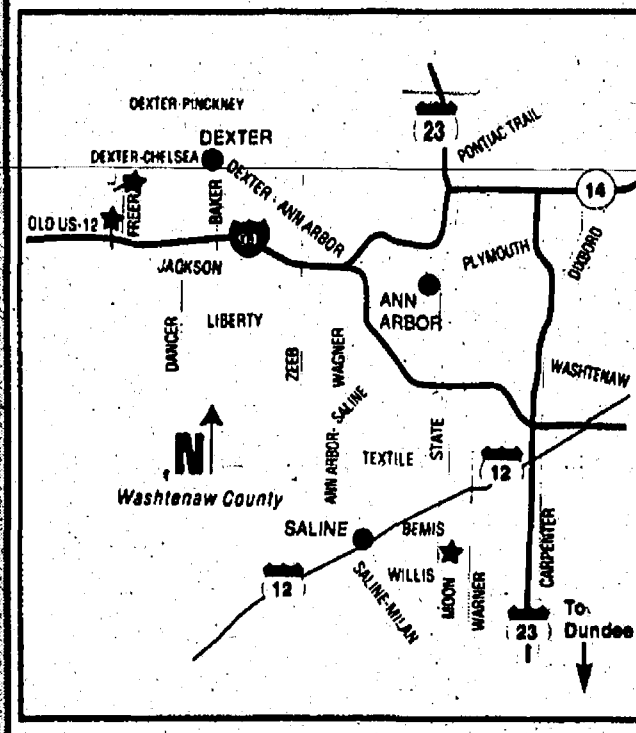
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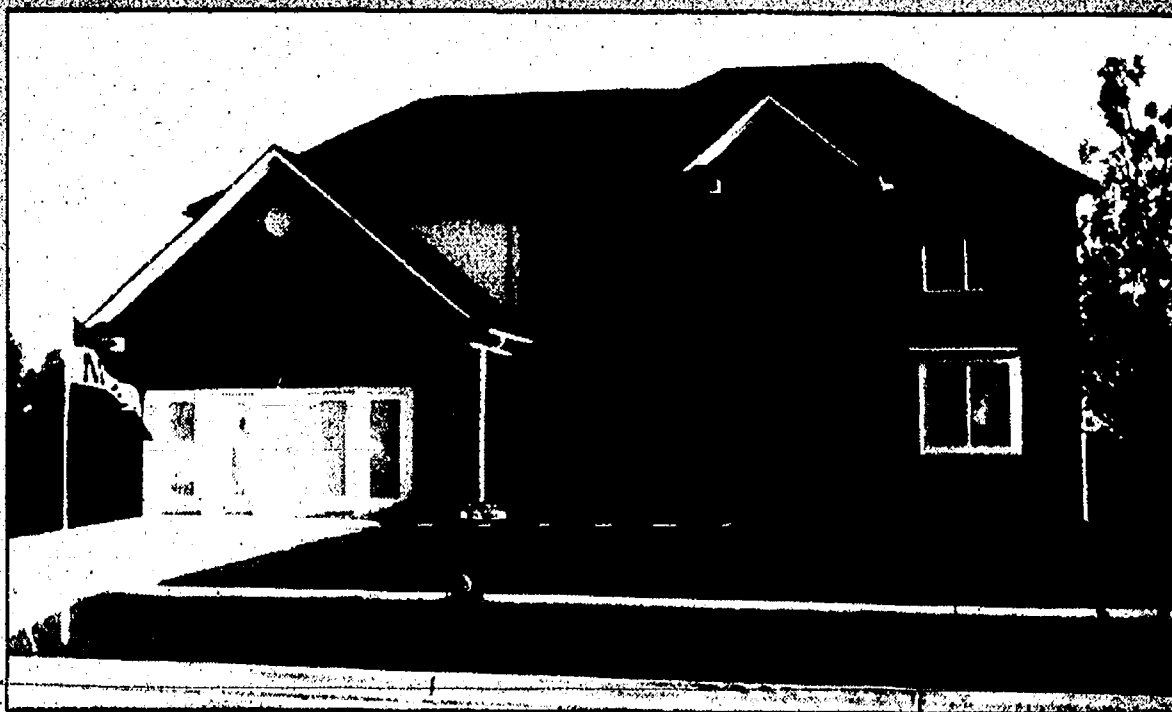
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Brater accepts appointment

State Sen. Liz Brater, D-18th District, has been appointed to the National Conference of State Legislatures Environment and Natural Resources Committee.

"It is a great honor to have been selected to serve on the NCSL Environment and Natural Resource Committee," Brater said in a press release.

"The NCSL provides an excellent opportunity to share and network with legislators from across the country about how best to protect and preserve our natural environment," she said.

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"I'm sure other states are facing some of the same challenges we are in protecting our water, air and land," Brater said.

"I look forward to sharing some of the solutions we've



Liz Brater

found here in Michigan and hearing what other states are doing to effectively protect their environment and natural resources."

Brater previously served as an Ann Arbor mayor before serving in the House of Representatives for three terms. Brater's district includes all of Washtenaw County, except the townships of Lodi, Pittsfield, Manchester, Bridgewater, Saline and York, as well as the cities of Saline and Milan.

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Domestic Assault

A 39-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested March 22 for hitting a 17-year-old boy. Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to Eagle Pointe apartments on Eyrie Drive to break up the fight.

The boy told deputies that the man was upset because he was using the telephone. The man pushed the boy several times and was so upset that he punched a hole in the wall.

The suspect was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Found Property

A BB gun was turned over to sheriff's deputies March 20. Someone found the gun behind Bel Mark Lanes on Jackson Road.

The gun is valued at \$50 and doesn't appear to be registered to anyone.

Larceny

A bike, several pairs of tennis shoes and other items were reported missing March 19 from a car parked in the 100 block of North Staebler Road.

Someone smashed the car's rear window and took the items, which are valued at more than \$5,000.

Car parts were reported missing March 8 from Town & Country Auto Parts, 3233 S. Wagner Road.

An employee noticed that two alternators for a Ford vehicle were missing. The alternators are valued at \$100 each. Twenty-five radiators and a car stereo were reported missing, as well.

The car parts were stored unsecured outside, while the alternators were in two vehicles.

Shoplifting

An 18-year-old Saline woman was caught shoplifting March 18 at Meijer Inc., 5645 Jackson Road.

A loss prevention officer was watching an in-store camera when he noticed a woman in the liquor aisle acting suspiciously. The officer then watched her place a bottle of rum in her waistband.

The woman walked to the front of the store and out the exit without paying for the merchandise. Officers caught her in the parking lot. She was later turned over to her parents.

Drunken Driving

A 64-year-old Ypsilanti woman was arrested for drunken driving March 13 near Jackson and Zeeb roads.

Deputies noticed that she was swerving her vehicle and driving on the yellow centerline. Police stopped her as she was driving into the Pizza Hut parking lot to pick up an order.

The woman told deputies that she didn't realize she had drunk that much liquor. Deputies gave her a Breathalyzer test.

Her blood-alcohol level was 0.21 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk. She was taken to Washtenaw County Jail.

Dexter Village

Property Damage

Someone threw eggs at a 1999 Pontiac March 14. The car was parked at Walkabout Creek apartments on Dongara Drive.

The eggs were splattered on the car's roof, hood and trunk.

Lima Township

Drunken Driving

A 37-year-old Chelsea man was arrested for drunken driving near Dancer Road and Interstate 94.

Troopers stopped the man for speeding. He was driving 88 mph in a 70-mph zone. Troopers could smell alcohol on his breath and noticed an empty liquor bottle in the car's back seat.

The man was given a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was 0.13 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under state law. He was taken to Washtenaw County Jail.

Dexter Township

Drunken Driving

A 51-year-old Pinckney man was arrested March 13 for drunken driving near Dexter-Pinckney and Island Lake roads.

Deputies were patrolling the area and were told to be on the look out for a suspected drunken driver. Deputies caught up with the man and noticed that he was swerving his vehicle over the road's double yellow line and driving off onto the shoulder.

Deputies stopped the man and asked him several ques-

tions. They reported smelling a strong odor of alcohol on the man's breath.

He was given a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was 0.12 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk. He was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Warrant Arrest

A 40-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested on a warrant March 15 in the 13000 block of Riker Road.

Deputies were dispatched to the area when they met up with the suspect. They checked the man's identification with the Law Enforcement Information Network and discovered that he had several bench warrants. He was taken to Washtenaw County Jail.

Chelsea Village

Shoplifting

Employees at Farmer Jack grocery store, 1255 S. Main St., called police March 19 to report that someone stole several packs of cigarettes.

Employees couldn't catch the suspect, but gave police officers a description of the man and his vehicle.

A PlayStation and a Nintendo game were reported missing March 19 from Pamida Discount Center, 1040 S. Main St.

Store employees are not sure who might have taken the merchandise and are looking at footage from a surveillance camera for clues. The merchandise is valued at more than \$350.

Larceny

Fifty-one wooden pallets were reported missing March 20 from Pamida Discount Center, 1040 S. Main St.

The pallets were not secured and stored behind the store near the loading dock. They are valued at approximately \$765.

Three full kegs were reported missing March 19 from Chelsea Grill, 1120 S. Main St.

Restaurant workers are not sure who might have taken the kegs. The beer is worth approximately \$150.

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

Mill Creek Research Council to meet Tuesday in Lima Township

The 38th annual meeting of the Mill Creek Research Council has been scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday at Lima Township Hall, 11452 Jackson Road.

The council was formed in 1965 to study and disseminate information about a proposed U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project along Mill Creek. The project, however, was eventually abandoned.

Subsequently, the council served as a focus for residents' opposition to a proposed Metropark and a low-level radioactive waste disposal site, neither of which were developed.

The focus of action is on preserving open space, rural character of the area and natural resources.

The agenda for this year's meeting

includes results of an aquatic insect study by Eastern Michigan University sponsored by the council, and discussion on improving communication between farmers and new residents.

Reports will be presented concerning the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, the Mill Creek Steering Committee of the Huron River Watershed Council, and the Agricultural Products and Services brochure being developed locally.

Also on the agenda is the election of executive board members. Current board members are Gary Adams, Charles Arnold, Dave Blough, Tom Burton, Alan Mansfield, Pam Mansfield, Velma Markins, Anita Metzger, Arly Spink, Terry Wesner, Linda White and Stephen Williams.

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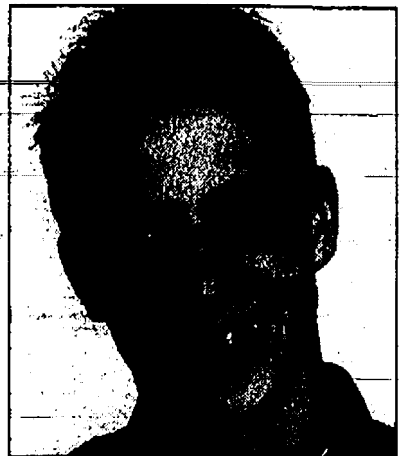
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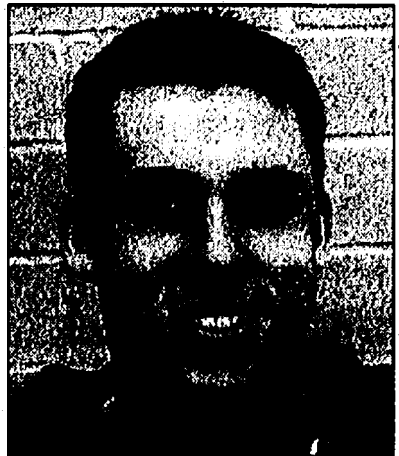
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What do you like to do for spring break?



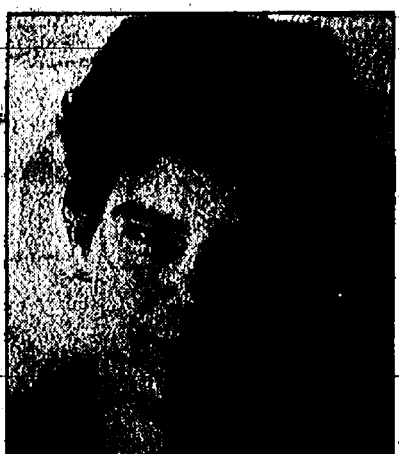
"My dad is a pilot so I always get to go somewhere interesting."

Matt Kellogg
Sylvan Township



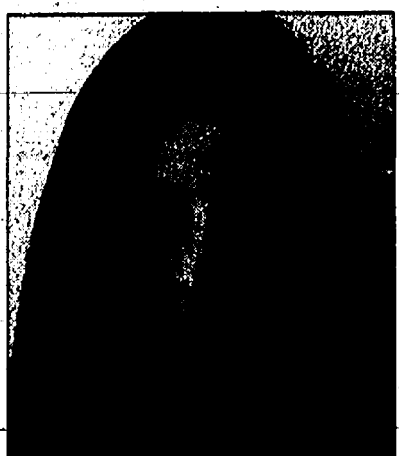
"I go away. This year I hope to go someplace warm, Daytona Beach."

Joel Rosentreter
Sylvan Township



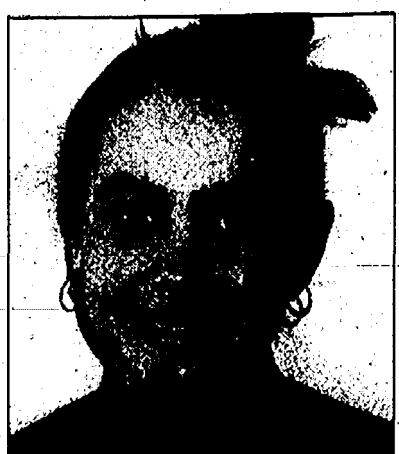
"Go to Daytona Beach, relax and enjoy the sun."

Kenny Williams
Dexter Township



"I might go to Colorado to visit some family."

Lindsey Miller
Lyndon Township



"Our varsity soccer team is going to Florida during spring break."

Candell Dickerson
Dexter Township



"I hope to go to Florida with some friends."

Katie Houk
Freedom Township

Spring brings wonderful sights, sounds



KENT ASHTON WALTON

JUST A THOUGHT

When I used to live in an urban setting, I knew what season it was by the weather, but I wasn't very aware of seasonal transitions. I could see trees with leaves or bare branches, but mostly I told the time of year by the calendar.

One advantage of living in

a rural environment is that you become much more aware of how the seasons merge from one to the other.

Now, with the first real thaw, I go outside, pottér, listen and look around, and generally see what is happening as spring arrives. One of the first signs of spring is the insects. I am waiting for my first mosquito bite as a rite of spring.

During winter there were the hardy birds that stuck around through the minus-20 degree temperatures — the ubiquitous crows and pigeons, the cheery chickadees, the woodpeckers, nuthatches, cardinals, turkeys. Come spring, they

begin their mating and territorial calls.

On the first 60-degree day, I sat on the deck and heard the first unmistakable squawk of Canada geese that I knew soon would be nesting again by the lake. I felt the warm breeze on my skin, and for the first time in months it did not sting with cold, or have the dead warmth of indoor heating.

I took a walk to where I knew the first crocuses usually bloom, and there were the first shoots showing with white buds poking through the cold wet ground. The bluebells and daffodils soon will follow.

The trees where I live are

not yet budding, but many are oak, maple and locust, which are among the last to bud. But you can almost hear the sap rising.

There are, of course, other signs of spring that I don't relish. The closed windows during winter have muffled the trucks and motorbikes, which will become more frequent and noisy as spring arrives. Soon the gravel trucks will start their convoys.

Urban dwellers will know the coming of spring more by the start of road construction projects. Chelsea will again experience the frustration of traffic delays as work begins on storm sewer

construction in April and additional resurfacing through August.

But all this pales when I experience the first storm and heavy rain that brings the spring peepers to life. Their rebirth from a grave of frozen earth miraculously gives rise to a shrill chorus.

There is little natural habitat left in the area that offers us such unique sensations, sounds and sights that I have come to enjoy and for which I am grateful.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cemetery board reversed decision

This is in reply to the letter "Cemetery board will keep fence" in the March 20 edition of The Chelsea Standard signed by the Oak Grove Cemetery Board.

First an explanation: The cemetery that is accessed by driving through the beautiful stone gate at the East Middle Street entrance actually joins three cemeteries.

Oak Grove West starts at the second stone gate and runs to the new gate blocking the road. From this gate on to Freer Road is Mount Olivet. Oak Grove East is the new section on the East side of Freer Road.

The main drive running through Oak Grove West and Mount Olivet has been in use for many years. Because of extensive street construction last summer, some motorists used this main drive as a through street to go from the end of East Middle Street to Freer Road and points east.

To cut down on the traffic through the cemetery, the Oak Grove Cemetery Board erected a farm gate across the main road just west of the property line between Oak Grove West and Mount Olivet. The gate shut off all traffic between Oak Grove West and the other two cemeteries, thereby creating a hardship for those who have loved ones or friends in more than one of the cemeteries.

With the gate in place, to go from Oak Grove West to Mount Olivet or Oak Grove East, you must exit the cemetery by driving back to Middle Street. Then you have to cross the railroad tracks and proceed east on Dexter-Chelsea Road, then south on Freer Road to Oak Grove East or Mount Olivet.

This is especially difficult if you're doing landscape work on multiple gravesites located in each cemetery.

The letter to the editor was addressed to the 20 or so people who attended the Feb. 13 board meeting, but it does not mention the petitions that were submitted to the board signed by more than 400 people who requested that the gate be removed or relocated.

At the meeting, several suggestions were presented that would satisfy the board's desire to cut down on through traffic, but also make it possible to pass between the three cemeteries.

The suggestion that made the most sense was to move the gate two-blocks to the west. The move would force through traffic to take a circuitous route, thereby doing away with any benefit of cutting through the cemetery. Yet, it would still leave a way for those wanting to travel between the cemeteries.

After the petitions and suggestions were presented to the board, the board went into an executive session and

voted unanimously to move the gate two blocks west as suggested. Now, according to the March 20 letter, the board has reversed its first decision and stated that the gate will remain in place, blocking access between the three sections of the cemeteries.

In effect, almost all travel within the cemeteries is shut down. What's next?

Patricia Wood
Sylvan Township

Decision lacked thoughtful look

Reconfiguration — is it good for our children or not? This is no longer the question.

Only time will tell if this newly implemented plan will be good for our children and our community. For the sake of my children, I will support the recently approved elementary school reconfiguration by making sure that they make a smooth transition into the new school year.

So the question we should all be asking is: "Was the process of presenting and voting on the reconfiguration handled properly by our school administration and board?"

Unfortunately, the answer to this question is no.

The Chelsea School District administration and board have a history of making rushed decisions without taking parental and community input into consideration. Unless we stand up and find a way to change this problem, it will continue in the future.

Those involved in CCARE, an acronym for Chelsea Child Advocates' Research Effort, were not opposed to any specific reconfiguration. Our opposition was to the rush of judgment on the question of what is best for our children and the process by which this decision was made.

The board accepted a rough, verbal plan for reconfiguration from the administration without a clear, documented rationale for implementing such a change so quickly. And, in these times of budget cutbacks, neither the administration nor the board presented any financial ramifications of the move.

Initially presented to parents as a money-saver, the administration later confessed that it could not pre-

dict a decrease or increase in spending with the proposed configuration.

In what business would such a major change be made without a documented plan or budget? Even in government, important decisions are rarely made on a verbal analysis.

Despite repeated requests to the administration for documented research and evidence supporting their assertion that this reconfiguration would have educational benefits, nothing was provided. One board member read "sound bites" out of article reviews during the meeting. These snippets of information — basically related to a school is what educators, administrators, students and parents make of it.

This is true, but if you read these articles in their entirety, not just the reviews, which I did, they contain a multitude of data that concludes increased school transitions are detrimental to student achievement. You can read the full articles on the CCARE Web site at www.mychelsea.com/ccare.

Many on the board stated they had discussed the move and researched it for several years. They had been "privileged enough to have the experience to make this decision" and had "done all the research necessary to make the decision."

My question is, why not share the research with the community? Without sharing, we are left to question its existence.

Also, if it had been discussed prior to February, why was it not done so in public? One board member stated that she learned six years ago that the K-2 split was a "good delivery model." Why not share this documented information with the public now?

This same board member also stated that she voted against the reconfiguration seven years ago and that she regrets the decision because our students have lost so much. I'm still left to wonder what our children have lost, as no reason was given.

For the future, I will be supporting the election of board members who demand that the administration and school board reach out and involve the community in all important aspects of the

functioning of our schools, especially when changes are necessary.

I would encourage all like-minded people to do the same by attending school board meetings, getting to know candidates running for the board and voting June 9.

It is time for parents and the Chelsea community to demand that the administration and board sincerely involve parents and the community in their decision-making and respect our collective insight and knowledge about our children.

Jill de Meijer
Sylvan Township

Board of Education deserves our support

We'd like to express our sincere thanks to the Chelsea Board of Education for their time and commitment to our community.

Many of their decisions are very difficult and require much time and thought.

We applaud your hard work and will strive to support your decisions.

Chelsea's greatest resources are our children.

D'Ann Gietzen
teacher at North Creek Elementary School
on behalf of the North Creek staff

Decision hurts single parents

This is not one of Chelsea's greater ideals: Single mother of four children who has lived in Chelsea all of her life.

My four children attend three different schools, but my concerns are with my two elementary school-age children. I live maybe a block from the school they attend now, with their daycare also being nearby.

But starting next school year, they will have to attend a school across town from their home and daycare. And in the fall 2004-2005, they will

be attending two different elementary schools across town, if this arrangement stays in effect.

So, as usual, let's not think of the child or parent but what is easier for the school system.

Now the five days a week that my children walk to school from daycare, with four of those days walking back to daycare and one day walking home, is no longer possible. My children now will have to be bused to and from school.

How does that save in transportation costs?

With the concerning problem of a growing population, that is always going to be a problem. As long as Chelsea keeps growing the way it has in the past 30 years, I don't believe moving our children around will fix this problem. I believe that if we stop turning our town into a city, it will.

Whoever thought up this one either has no children, children who are grown or the wife/mother takes care of the problem concerning the children.

Renee Schmeil
Chelsea Village

Why hasn't the Iraqi leader been killed?

I am an infantry Vietnam War veteran. The events of the past few months and especially this past week have raised a question.

If a small group of people can kill John Kennedy, Bobby Kennedy and Martin Luther King, I wonder why it takes 300,000 troops, thousands of bombs and missiles, the destruction of a city, and billions of dollars to kill Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

It doesn't seem like a good use of time or money. It makes me question the purpose of the mission.

Arnold Stiebler
Waterloo Township

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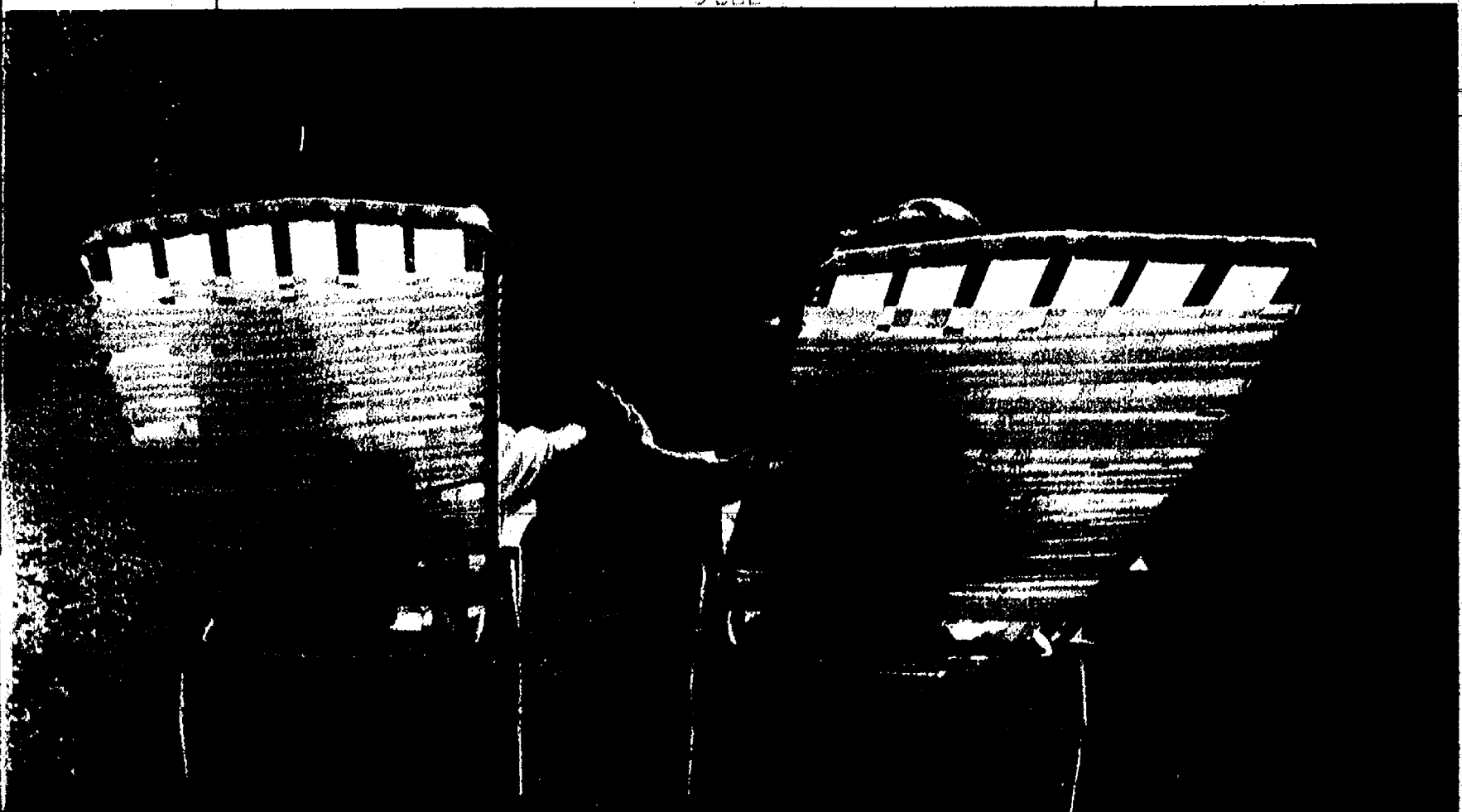
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Artistic legacy



Betty Schultz of Lima Township stands next to one of her landscape paintings. The 91-year-old enjoys expressing her artistic side during the winter months.

Lima Township woman recaptures memories on canvas

By Rita Fischer

Special Writer

For three seasons of the year, Betty Schultz enjoys tending to the flowers and vegetables in her Lima Township garden.

But when winter comes, she replaces her garden tools with a paintbrush to capture outdoor scenes on canvas.

Schultz, 91, came to the art world late in life. In 1988, she was laid up for several weeks, confined to bed while she recuperated from knee surgery. Her son, Brent, brought her paints to keep her occupied.

"I thought that I would like it," Schultz says. "When I got better, I put the paints away."

"I've found, though, that during the winter months it gives me something to do."

The nonagenarian enjoys painting outdoor scenes, especially those related to her childhood growing up on a farm in Taylor.

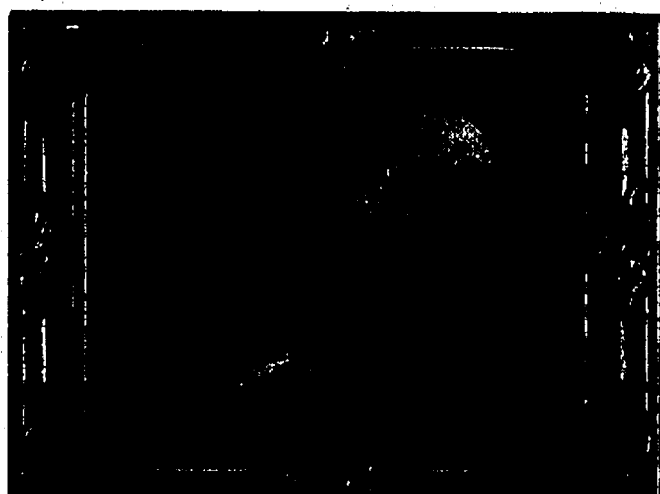
Schultz and her three sisters, Elva, Clara and Alma, are the daughters of the late Fred and Lizzie Colvia. She says her father's family — Fred Colvia was one of 10 children — owned much of Taylor, which was primarily farmland at the time.

All that remains of the family property today is a farmhouse left to the city of Taylor for a museum, Schultz says. Her father also helped build St. Paul Evangelistic Church at Telegraph and Goddard roads.

Schultz recaptures her memories of rural life on canvas.

When she was a child, the family didn't have a tractor, so the little girl had to plow the fields behind a horse and make sure the furrows were straight. She would cut and bundle hay, milk the cows and feed the pigs. Clothing was washed by hand, while people bathed in an old rain barrel next to the barn, using soap made from lye and tallow fat.

Schultz's favorite memories are of "market day," when the family took cattle, pigs, chickens, butter, eggs and vegetables to Western Market, now known as Eastern Market, in Detroit.



Schultz remembers helping her mother, who was the local midwife. They would travel by horse and buggy while helping local women bring their babies into the world. She and her beau would also ride in the buggy to Wyandotte to see a movie.

Schultz loves to paint rural scenes, especially old farms and barns. Some reflect life experiences and memories, while others she captures first with her camera, storing the photographs for the winter months when she can recreate the image on canvas.

"Painting takes patience," she says. "Each part of the painting must dry before you can paint more."

While it can take hours — or even days — to do a single painting, Schultz admits to once using a hairdryer to dry a painting quickly during an art class. The local artist, who works in oils, watercolors and acrylics, took a few lessons in the early '90s, both in Dexter and Chelsea.

"I'm far from being Grandma Moses," she says. "I just do it to keep busy and have fun. I'm not that good at it, but I don't care. I enjoy it."

Artistic talents clearly run in the family. Both her twin sons enjoy drawing, and her granddaughter is an artist with her own studio.

When her works are complete, Schultz either displays them in her home or gives them away as gifts to family members.

She and her late husband, Brent, who married in 1929 during the Great Depression, have twin sons and a daughter, all graduates of Dexter High School. The family came to the area in 1945 after World War II.

Schultz's husband worked for the Washtenaw County Road Commission and later helped build the Delhi, Dexter-Huron and Hudson Mills metroparks. Schultz remembers when the Hudson Mills area was "just one big hog pen with lots of Michigan rattlesnakes roaming around."

With springtime officially here, Schultz is

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Photos by Rita Fischer

Lima Township resident Betty Schultz, 91, took up painting in 1988 when she was recuperating from knee surgery. Working in oil, watercolors or acrylic, Schultz enjoys painting outdoor scenery that reminds her of her childhood on a farm in Taylor.



Lisznyai sets her eyes on skies

By Rita Fischer

Special Writer

Mary Lisznyai has her eyes on the skies in more ways than one.

The medical assistant, paramedic and Huron Valley Ambulance dispatcher is not only a trained Skywarn spotter, but also dreams of one day taking to the skies as a flight paramedic.

Hardly surprising, since her fiancé, Chelsea Fire Inspector Matt Tuttle, flies planes and helicopters.

Tuttle also got Lisznyai hooked on the medical field. "He asked me to come and ride with him on the ambulance and I've been hooked ever since," she says.

Lisznyai has spent three years working for Huron Valley Ambulance dispatch and working part time on the road as an emergency medical technician.

The Lima Township resident recently joined Chelsea Family Practice as a medical assistant and is cutting her time back in dispatch to weekends.

"I'm going back to college in the fall and I needed a more structured schedule," she says.

Lisznyai's first career path was in the area of law enforcement, an obvious choice since her mother, Pamela, was a dispatcher for Chelsea Police for 13 years.

While a junior in high school, Lisznyai started in a school-to-work program with the Chelsea Police Department as a parking enforcement officer and part-time dispatcher.

Chelsea Police Chief Lenard McDougall mentored the rookie.

"He trained me well as a parking officer," she says.

"He even came to my first court case to assist me in defending my citation."

Lisznyai says all of the police officers in Chelsea served as mentors and Vicki Stowe trained her in dispatch.

"The two who have now become lifetime friends are Sgt. Scott Sumner and canine Officer Jeff Staebler," she says. "They also kept me in line."

"All these people are excellent in the job that they do," she says. "Not only did they teach me about my job, but also about myself."

Lisznyai continued working with Chelsea Police for two years after graduation before joining Huron Valley Ambulance at the encouragement of friends.

She has earned several certifications through HVA's education program. Among

MARY LISZNYAI'S SAFETY TIP

"Give your full attention to driving and stay off your cell phone."

them are emergency medical dispatcher, emergency medical technician, advanced cardiac life support, basic trauma life support and basic life support.

Lisznyai is also a trained Skywarn spotter, ready to contact the Washtenaw County Emergency Management Division if tornado conditions arise.

Last year, while working in dispatch at Michigan International Speedway in Brook-

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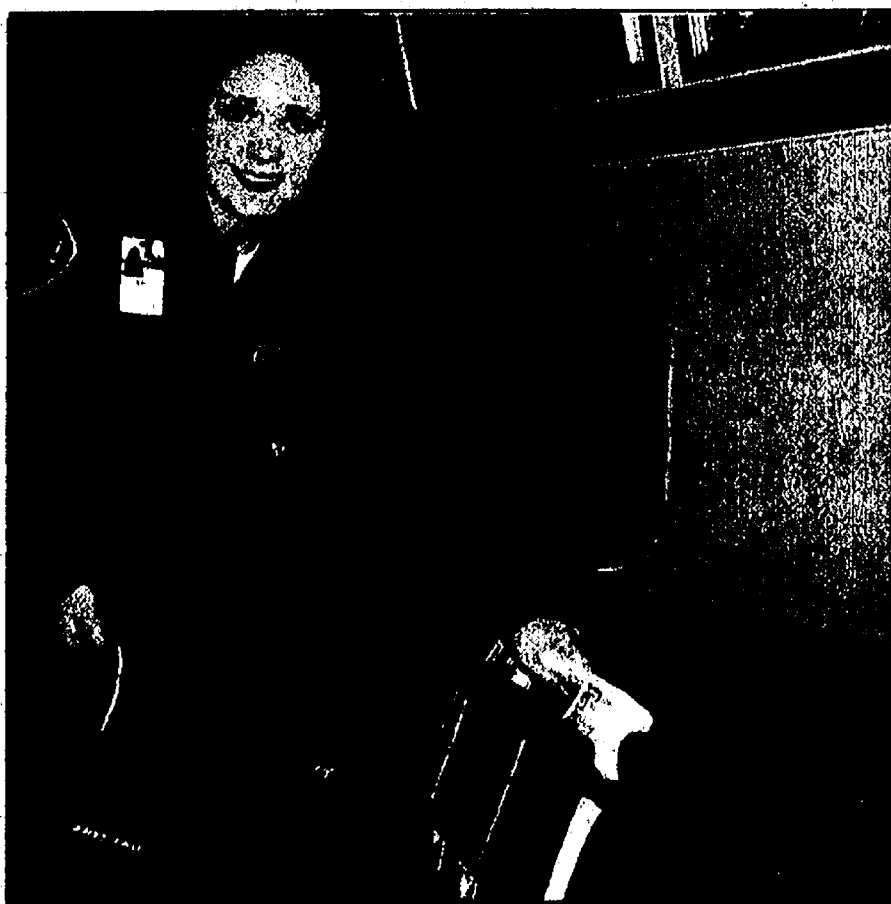


Photo by Rita Fischer

Huron Valley Ambulance paramedic Mary Lisznyai gathers up equipment in the back of an ambulance. The Lima Township resident, who has worked in dispatch for both HVA and the Chelsea Police Department, recently started work as a medical assistant with Chelsea Family Practice.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Thursday, March 27

The 2003 Washtenaw County Agriculture Banquet will be held 7 p.m. at Chelsea High School, 740 Freer Road. Tickets are \$12 and are available at McCalla Feeds in Chelsea or Dexter Mill in Dexter.

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"The Spiritual Journey: As Parent, As Child, As Teacher," presented by Dwight Wilson, will be held 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Michigan Friends Center, 7748 Clark Lake Road, near Chelsea. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with a registration fee of \$25. Bring a brown bag lunch. For more information, call 475-1892.

Saturday, March 29 and Sunday, March 30

Annual Waterfowl Watch 9 a.m. both days at Independence Lake, 3200 Jennings Road, in Webster Township. Guided walk led by Faye Stoner. This program is free. For information, call 971-6337.

Sunday, March 30

"Sensational Animals of Potter Park Zoo" program 2 p.m. at the Waterloo Recreation Area, Eddy Discovery Center, 17030 Bush Road, in Chelsea. How zoo animals touch, smell, hear and see in different ways. Register by calling 475-3170.

Monday, March 31

Michigan Department of Transportation will host a public information meeting from 5 to 7 p.m. related to construction along M-52 in Chelsea. The meeting will be held at the Washington Street Education Center boardroom, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Tuesday, April 1

A free concert performed by the Christian band Captive Free will be held 7 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1515 S. Main St. in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-1404.

Saturday, April 5

Chelsea District Library will host its spring used book sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at McKune Memorial Library, 221 S. Main St., in Chelsea. To volunteer or for more information, call Marie Brooks at 475-8732.

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.

U.S. Congressman Nick Smith, R-7th District, 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 8:15 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.

Chelsea Rotary Club meets 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Common Grill, 112 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

City Charter Commission public meetings are held 5 to 7 p.m. every Tuesday and 7 to 9 p.m. every Thursday in the basement of the Village Offices, 305 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

Euchre Party is held 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Chelsea Senior Citizen Center in the Faith In Action building, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-9242.

Senior Nutrition Program meets noon every Tuesday for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For more information, call 475-7439.

Woman's Club of Chelsea meets 1 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at The Pines, 325 Wilkinson St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-0467.

Wednesday

Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4076, 105 N. Main St., meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. For more information, call 475-1448.

The Evening Primrose Garden Club meets 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 1-517-522-5859.

DEXTER

Sunday, March 30

"A Time To Dance" by the Ann Arbor Civic Ballet will take place 2:30 p.m. at the Dexter High School auditorium, 2200 N. Parker Road, in Dexter. Tickets are \$5 per adult and \$3 per child 10 years old or younger. Tickets are available at Dexter Pharmacy 2. For more information, call 688-8066.

Thursday, April 1

Mill Creek Research Council will hold its annual

meeting 8 p.m. at the Lima Township Hall, 11452 Jackson Road, in Chelsea.

DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS

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 information, 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, 7954 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 6:45 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of the month at DAPCO Industries, 2500 Bishop Circle East, in Dexter. Call 475-6945 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., in Dexter.

Dexter Village Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Tuesday

Dexter Child Study Club meets 7 p.m. at various locations on the third Tuesday of the month. For information, call 426-3684.

Dexter Garden Club meets 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the Dexter Museum, 3443 Inverness St., in Dexter. Call 426-2372 for information.

Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of the month at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7954 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Touchdown Club meets 7 p.m. the first Tuesday

of each month in the library at Dexter High School, 2200 N. Parker Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road.

Dexter Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and fourth Tuesday of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road.

Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road.

Dexter Village Parks Commission meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Wylie Elementary School, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

Independent Order of Odd-fellows meets 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesdays at Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 W. Huron River Drive, in Dexter.

Wednesday

Friends of Dexter District Library meets 12:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter. For more information, call 426-6775.

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Thursday, March 27

Washtenaw County Chapter of the American Red Cross Town Meeting will be held 7 p.m. at the local chapter, 2729 Packard Road, in Ann Arbor. Information will be given on emergency preparedness and residents interested in joining Red Cross programs that support local families of the armed forces. For information, call the Red Cross at

971-5300.

Monday, March 31

Arbor Hospice & Home Care's "The Next Step" will present its spring series of grief support and information groups developed for children, adolescents and adults. Sessions will be held in three locations throughout the region. For more information, call Arbor Hospice and Home Care at 662-5999, Ext. 113.

Tuesday, April 1

"Teens Using Drugs Part 1: What to Know" seminar 7:30 to 9 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month through June at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5305 Elliott Drive, in Ypsilanti. Call 973-7892 for information.

Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan monthly meeting is 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Georgetown Country Club, 1365 King George Blvd., in Ann Arbor. Cedric McSweeney will teach how to have an effective 60-second commercial. Free to members, \$10 guest fee at door. For more information or to register, call 332-9300.

Washtenaw County MSU Extension informational public meeting on the Emerald Ash Borer will be held 7 to 9 p.m. at the Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, in Ann Arbor. For information, contact the MSU Extension at 997-1678.

Thursday, April 3

Michigan Land Use Leadership Council is sponsoring a Land Use Town Meeting 7 p.m. at Washtenaw Community College in the Student Center Building, the Culinary Arts dining room, 4800 E. Huron River Drive, in Ann Arbor.



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Youth Dance Theatre to hold performance

Several local children will perform in the Youth Dance Theatre's production of "Five Dancing Princesses."

Performances are set for 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 2 p.m. April 27 at Chelsea High School, 740 Freer Road.

The production, directed by Wendi DuBois, is an adaptation of the classic fairy tale "The Twelve Dancing Princesses" by the Brothers Grimm.

Alyssa Alger, Allison Burg and Jackie Wolfinger of Grass Lake will perform with the troupe.

Dexter residents participating are Rachel Butler, Lisa Featherly, Hayley Schebor, Becca Sherman, Annie Taylor and Amanda Patridge.

Two performers, Haley Jackson and Andrea Nofsinger, are from Stockbridge.

Chelsea performers are Katrina Downey, Sarah Eckart, Marissa Elwart, Tessa Elwart, Leah Gerstenkorn, Kyle Kooyers, Steve Lambert, Rosa Lancioni, Zac Law, Emily Leidner, Scott Longpre, Alyssa Prokos, Sarah Schauder, Katrina Stephenson, Natalie Stephenson, Amy Whitesall and Taryn Zyburt.

Home-school students Suzanne Courson, Alexis Turner and Alexis Peterson are also in the troupe.

Korry Chavey, Megan Nickels and Lauren Voegeding of Manchester will

perform in the production.

Ann Arbor residents Aja Brandmeier, Maya Chensue, Caitlin Burke, Sarah Clark, Sophie Kurek, Laura Leonard, Emily Minerath, Amy Thompson, Hallie Walton, Caroline Wright and Kathleen Wright also will participate.

Justin Fitch, Joe Kelly,

Casey Little, Donald Locker and Max Sprinkle round out the cast.

Reserved seating tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$8 for children, students and seniors. They are available at The Dancer's Boutique in Ann Arbor, the Glass Slipper in Chelsea or by calling 475-3070. Group ticket sales of \$5

per person are also available by phone order.

For information, call 475-3070 or go to the Web site www.youthdancetheatre.org.

Happy Birthday Jennifer
(April 1)

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Grandma & Grandpa

Fourth Annual Chelsea Poetry Competition & Celebration

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Winners of Middle School, High School, and Adult divisions will receive CASH prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Elementary Honorable Mentions will receive a free book.

All winners will read their poetry aloud! Entries due by April 19.

Awards ceremony (a poetry jam!) will be held Thursday, May 1 at 7 p.m. at the WSEC cafeteria.

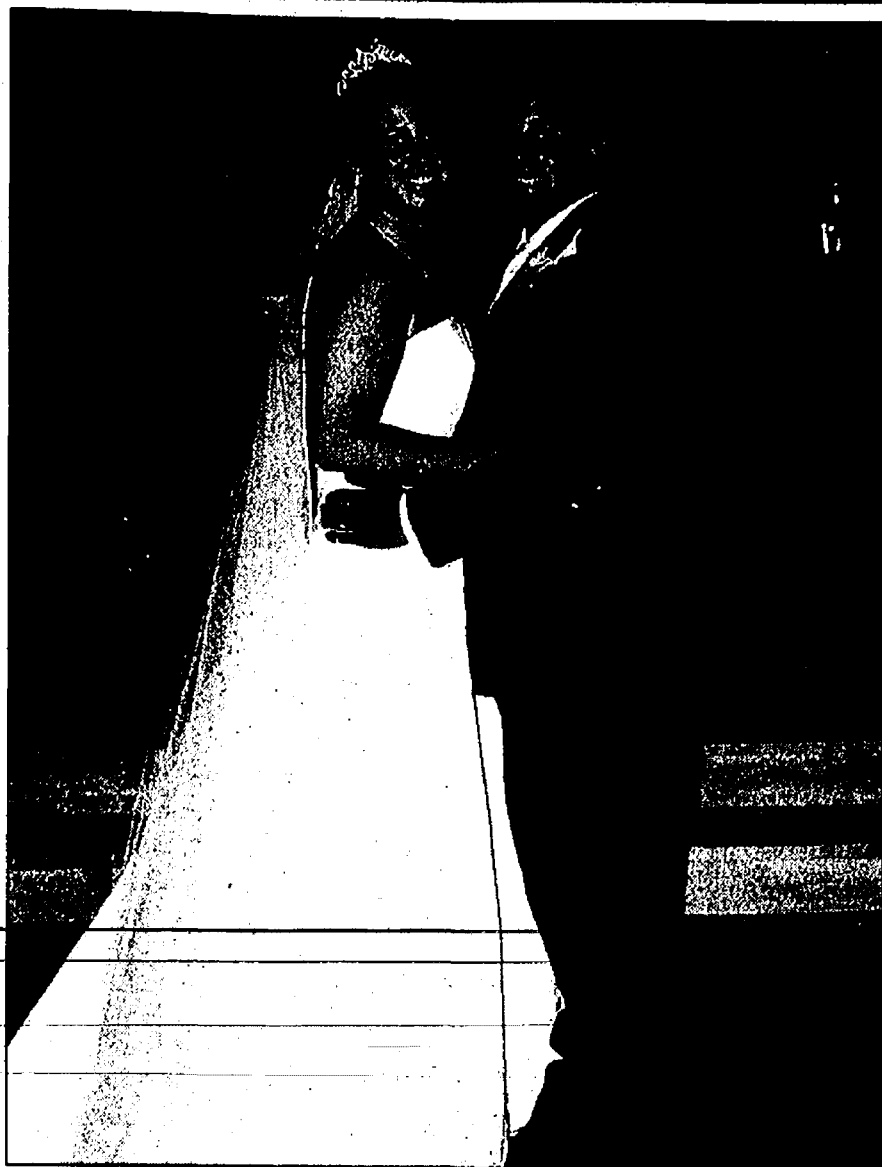
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April is National Poetry Month!

WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



Jennifer Paddock, Richard Samon exchange wedding vows

Jennifer Paddock of Jackson, daughter of William and Veronica Paddock of Dexter, and Richard Samon of Jackson, son of Robert and Jeanne Samon of Michigan Center, were married Sept. 14 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea. The Rev. William Turner officiated.

The matron of honor was Jessica Morson of Brooklyn. The bridesmaids were Tina Paddock of Dexter, Beth Boote of Gregory, Cyndi Paddock of Jackson, Lindsay Koo of Dearborn, Erin Ochs of Kalamazoo and Alex Doering of Dexter.

Grace Boote of Gregory was the flower girl. Dawson Doering of Dexter and Caleb Samon of Jackson were the ring bearers.

Eric Linna of Jackson was the best man. Brian Samon of Jackson, Martin Samon of Michigan Center, Brett Paddock of Jackson, Mike Villarreal of Michigan Center, and Kiley Paquin of Jackson were ushers.

A reception was held at The Comfort Inn in Chelsea. The couple honeymooned at Dunn's River Falls in Jamaica. They reside in Jackson.

The bride is a 1997 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 2001 graduate of Western Michigan University. She is employed at EnerBank USA in Jackson.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Michigan Center High School. He is employed at Chelsea Lumber Co.



Susan Kasperek, Steven Dely marry at St. Christopher's

Susan Kasperek of Dearborn Heights, daughter of Norbert and Theresa Kasperek of Comstock Park, and Steven Dely of Dearborn Heights, son of Sharon and John Bartus of Canton and Michael Dely of Dexter, were married Jan. 4 at St. Christopher's Church in Detroit.

The Revs. John Kasperek and Gerard Battersby officiated.

The matron of honor was Margaret Rabbers of Grand Rapids. Diane Kasperek of Grand Rapids, Nicole Babyz of Gregory and Katie Bartus of Canton were bridesmaids. Mikhailla Babyz of Gregory, Allison Kasperek and Emilie Rabbers, both of Grand Rapids, were flower girls.

Collin Babyz of Gregory, Gabriel Rabbers and Andrew Kasperek, both of Grand Rapids, were the ring bearers.

Michael Babyz of Gregory

was the best man. The groomsmen were Michael Kasperek, Jeff Rabbers both of Grand Rapids, and Larry Krisniski of Dearborn Heights.

A reception was held at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia. The couple honeymooned on a Caribbean cruise.

They reside in Dearborn Heights.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of West Catholic High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in 1996 from Western Michigan University and has a master's degree from the University of Detroit Mercy. She is employed as a pretrial services officer with the U.S. Federal Court in Detroit.

The groom is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. He is currently attending Schoolcraft College and is employed as assistant meat manager for Nino Savagios in Farmington Hills.



ENGAGED: Jennifer Shumaker of Dexter, daughter of Scott and Martha Shumaker of Dexter, and Jeffrey Green of Ann Arbor, son of Robert and Elizabeth Green of McClure, Ohio, have set an April 26 wedding date. The future bride is a 1990 graduate of Dexter High School. She attended Calvin College and is employed at Great Commission Ministries on the campus of the University of Michigan. The future groom is a 1995 graduate of Napoleon High School in Ohio. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan in 2001 and works for the University of Michigan in the admissions department.

THE DEXTER AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
and the PIONEER ARTS FAIR COMMITTEE

wish to thank the Kiwanis, Boy Scout Troop #477, the Dexter Garden Club, the Heritage Guild, the Creekside Intermediate School custodial staff and the many volunteers who helped us make the 30th Pioneer Arts Fair a success. Special thanks also to our talented demonstrators, and to all the friends who joined us for a celebration of the pioneer crafts.

—Alice Pastalan and Virginia Ryan, Co-chairpersons

BIRTHS

A son, Kyle Everett, was born Feb. 17 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township to Rod and Amy Rodriguez of Ann Arbor. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Janet Everett of Dexter.

Chelsea. Paternal grandparents are Rodolfo and the late Karen (Henes) Rodriguez of Manchester. Great-grandparents are Margaret and the late Lawrence Henes of Dexter.

Pearsall presents engineering project

Todd Pearsall, the son of Bill and Linda Pearsall of Chelsea, will present a project April 15 at the 32nd Conference on Senior Engineering Design Projects slated at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

Pearsall, a 1998 graduate of Chelsea High School, expects to earn a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering next month.

He will be among 157 senior engineering students who will present the results of 64 projects that they have completed to solve problems facing business and industry.

Projects include a maze mapping mobile robot, an urban response vehicle, the reincarnation of the Prospect Hill Trolley, a saw testing system and an emergency management system for in-flight engine failures.

The conference, which runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., will be held at the Bernhard Center. It will be open to the public free of charge, and is sponsored by WMU's College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m.
From the Ground Up - Spring gardening Workshop
Registration required

Thursday, 7 p.m.
Chordology - Barbershop Quartet Harmonies!

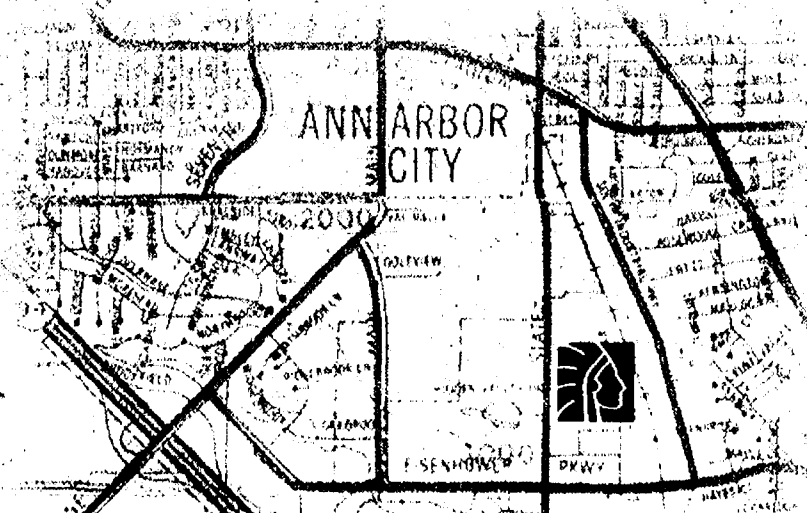
Saturday, 1 p.m.
The Chelsea High School Jazz Ensemble is in the House!

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CHELSEA FIRE REPORT

March 18

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 4000 block of Loveland Road in Sylvan Township. Someone with chest pains refused treatment.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 200 block of Silver Maples Drive. Someone with low blood pressure was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 600 block of Middle Court in Chelsea Village. An unconscious person was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters were canceled en route to a fire alarm in the 800 block of West Middle Street in Chelsea Village. It turned out to be a false alarm.

March 19

• Firefighters were canceled en route to a medical call at 100 Silver Maples Drive in Chelsea Village.

• Firefighters were dis-

patched to the scene of a head-on crash at Cavanaugh Lake and Pierce roads. A passenger in one vehicle suffered leg and chest pains, while the driver of the other car had leg pain. Both were taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 11000 block of Dexter-Chelsea Road. Someone with chest pain was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

March 20

• Firefighters extinguished a grass fire in the 12000 block of Jerusalem Road in Lima Township.

March 21

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 100 block of Silver Maples Drive. A person who was feeling ill was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

March 22

• Firefighters answered a medical call on Hickory Street in Chelsea Village.

Someone with an altered level of consciousness was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

March 23

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 100 block of Silver Maples Drive in Chelsea Village. The sick person, however, refused treatment and transportation to the hospital.

• Firefighters were dispatched to the scene of a motorcycle crash on Fletcher Road south of Scio Church Road in Lima Township. A motorcyclist, slowing to avoid hitting a deer, was hit from behind by a second motorcyclist. The driver of the second vehicle was taken to the University of Michigan Hospital with severe leg lacerations, back pain and an altered level of consciousness.

• A firefighter drove a patient from the 800 block of West Middle Street in Chelsea to St. Joseph Mercy

Hospital in Superior Township with Huron Valley Ambulance.

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 300 block of Garfield Street in Chelsea. A sick person was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

March 24

• Firefighters answered a medical call in the 16000 block of Roe Road in Lyndon Township. A person with abdominal pain was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

• Firefighters responded to two grass fires, one on a mutual-aid call with Unadilla Township Fire Department in the 5700 block of Joslin Lake Road. The second was at Goodband Road and Crescent Drive in Lyndon Township.

Compiled by Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove based on information provided by the Chelsea Area Fire Authority.



Fund-raising Success

Nancy Mauti (left) and Judy Stratman co-chaired the Feb. 22 dinner dance held at The Comfort Inn in Chelsea. More than 200 people attended. The event, a fund-raiser for the Chelsea Education Foundation, raised more than \$33,000.

LISZNYAI

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lyn, she was kept on her toes when several tornadoes were spotted in the vicinity.

"It was my job to monitor the storm and prepare to notify everyone of the danger," she says. "Thankfully, no tornadoes, only thunderstorms, hit the speedway that night."

Lisznyai plans to earn a business degree and continue her medical education with the eventual goal of becoming a flight paramedic.

While she and Tuttle have flown places with him as pilot, he has yet to take her up in a helicopter, a promise he holds out for this summer. However, last summer, she had an opportunity to ride along with Mid West Med Flight out of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township.

"It was the first and only time I've ever flown in a helicopter," she says. "That day I decided that someday I would like to be a flight paramedic. Right now, I'm working toward that goal."

Not only does she like spending time in the skies, but underwater, as well. She and Tuttle enjoy scuba diving, especially in Hawaii, where they could hear humpbacked whales singing underwater. Lisznyai says she dreams of diving in the waters of Australia's Great Barrier Reef.

While Lisznyai says her HVA job will never make her wealthy and she often gets little sleep, she enjoys helping people in need.

One dispatch call particularly sticks in her mind. She received an emergency call

from an elderly woman who, after hearing a crash upstairs, found her husband unconscious, pinned in a corner of the room and not breathing.

"My partner dispatched the ambulance and fire department and I stayed on the line with her to give her further direction," Lisznyai says. "I instructed her that she needed to put him flat on his back on the floor."

"She tried to pull him out and couldn't. I encouraged her again and she was able to pull him to the floor. We verified that he was not breathing and had no pulse and I instructed her how to do CPR."

Shortly after, the para-

medics arrived and rushed the man to hospital before Lisznyai could even get the woman's name.

About a week later, Lisznyai answered the phone in dispatch and heard the woman's voice again.

"I knew right away who it was," she says. "This time she had called to thank me for helping her and her husband. She told me that the doctors told her that if she

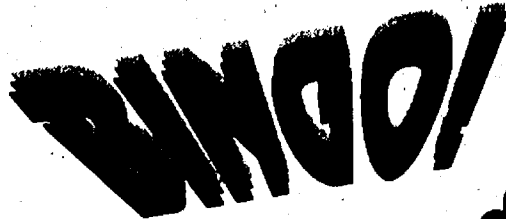
had not done CPR that her husband would probably have died.

"That thank you truly touched my heart," she says. "I can't explain the feeling I get from knowing that I helped someone."

"That feeling is the reason why I do the job I do."

Rita Fischer is a free-lance writer. She can be reached via e-mail at ritafischer@yahoo.com.

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Growing closer

Local couples learn secrets of communication at marriage retreat

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

The Rev. Mark Cryderman said it breaks his heart to see couples grow distant.

"I do all I can to help them aim at God together," the pastor of Westland Free Methodist said.

Cryderman was the speaker at a weekend marriage retreat Feb. 28 through March 1 in Grass Lake.

A group of 32 couples from Chelsea, Dexter and Milan gathered at the FA-HO-LO Conference Center to learn how to communicate better and build more intimate relationships.

Topics included practicing honesty, avoiding anger, giving more and talking less, saying positive words of affirmation.

Cryderman addressed the five levels of communication. The first is clichés, such as asking how the workday went and discussing kids' school activities. The second level is facts, such as the weather or that the car needs an oil change.

Couples are sometimes on dicey ground in the third level, which is opinions, he said. It can get touchy if people are insecure in their relationship.

In levels four and five, couples discuss their feelings with each other and share their needs — both things that can draw a marriage closer together, he said.

Cryderman also discussed the unrealistic expectations placed on couples by the images of marriage depicted in TV shows and movies.

The Rev. Larry Lyons kicked off Friday night with an icebreaker of a scavenger-style game. Ed and Anne Young of Dexter joined Bev Schlegelmilch of Sylvan Township in leading the groups in songs.

Couples also enjoyed playing basketball, swimming, playing volleyball in the pool and playing cards.

The weekend retreat was organized by Lori Dirkse. She said it was a great opportunity

to spend quality time with her husband, concentrate on their marriage and get to know other church members better.

The Rev. Jason Boyer, youth pastor at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, said the retreat offered practical advice that would save him many arguments in the future.

Bonnie Desai of Dexter Township said she and her husband, Ravi, learned about communicating more deeply.

"We need to crank our conversations up a notch," she said. "Asking how your day went or discussing the amount of snow we're expected to get are the kinds of conversation you have with people you don't know well. We need to be secure enough with our partner to share our opinions, express our feelings and needs."

Ravi Desai said there are different ways couples can express love — by giving gifts, performing acts of service, saying words of affirmation, spending quality time together and simple physical touch.

"Each person responds to a different love language and we need to discover each other's," he said.

Sylvan Township resident Kathy Poplawski enjoyed the retreat with her husband, Tom.

"We could relax and focus more on each other," she said. "The retreat tied into the Sunday school class on the second half of marriage and how communication must improve for the relationship to be more intimate."

Carey Flaughter of Lima Township, who attended the retreat with her husband, Mark, said she was reminded of forgiveness and of "choosing to cancel the debt" and let things go.

"We learned that talking must get beyond kids and the weather to make our marriage stronger," she said.

"Turning the TV off and getting involved with one another is truly the best way to make a marriage much more interesting."



Photo by Rita Fischer
Bonnie and Ravi Desai of Dexter Township spend some quiet time together by the fireplace at a recent weekend marriage retreat in Grass Lake.

Weather watch

Local severe storm spotters receive training

By Lisa Carolin
Special Writer

Michigan is a volatile state when it comes to weather.

Not only does the state rank No. 2 behind Florida in lightning casualties, it recently has been designated as being on the edge of tornado alley, with an average of 17 tornadoes a year, mostly in the southeastern part of the state.

To help prepare local residents for severe weather, the county's Emergency Management Division holds weather spotter training courses.

Participants learn to help their communities by providing detailed information about severe weather events and developing conditions.

On March 19, Chelsea's UAW Hall Local 1284 hosted a course conducted by Carl Ojala, a researcher and professor in weather and climatology at Eastern Michigan University.

Ojala told the group of almost 100 people that Washtenaw County has 416 weather spotters, more than in any other county in Michigan.

Some of the conditions weather spotters look out for include pea-sized or larger hailstones, winds of 40 miles per hour or more and rainfall of 1 inch an hour or greater.

"One inch of rain on a one-acre field, which is about the size of a Little League field, is equal to 27,000 gallons of water," Ojala said.

While floods are the No. 1 weather-related killer nationwide, lightning is the top hazard in Washtenaw County.

"The reason is that people engage in outdoor activity when they shouldn't be," Ojala said. "If you can see lightning, it's dangerous. It can travel 20 miles."

Ojala talked about the 30-30 rule — if you see lightning then hear thunder within 30 seconds, lightning is within six miles.

Because of Michigan's water activities and the popularity of golf, there are many lightning casualties, he said.

Washtenaw County's three top weather disaster hazards are:

- Thunderstorms and tornadoes.
- Snow and ice storms.
- Floods.

Residents can tune in to the local emergency alert system stations, WEMU 89.1 FM, and WAAM 1600 AM.

A severe thunderstorm watch or tornado watch means conditions are favorable

for the development or approach of those conditions.

A warning means that a storm or tornado has been spotted.

Ojala said that when there is a tornado warning, people should take cover immediately in a sturdy building. The lowest level of the structure, preferably a small windowless room and crouch under a sturdy desk or table, is the safest place. Stay away from windows and don't use the telephone or appliances.

"Most tornadoes happen between the hours of 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. and April through August are the most likely months for one to hit," Ojala said.

The United States leads the world in severe thunderstorms and tornadoes because of the combination of the Great Plains and the meeting of air masses.

Ojala also talked about the upcoming 50th anniversary of

the Flint-Beecher Tornado, the last single tornado in the United States to kill more than 100 people. It touched down about two miles north of Flushing and moved across Flint to the Lapeer area on June 8, 1953, leaving a 23-mile long path of death and destruction. A total 116 people died.

That same system moved eastward and killed 97 people in Worcester, Mass., the following day. Ojala grew up near there, and remembers seeing the devastation the next day.

Another weather spotter course is set from 9:30 a.m. to noon April 12 in the Strong Physical Science Building Auditorium at the northeast corner of Washtenaw and Oakwood at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti.

To register, call 973-4900.

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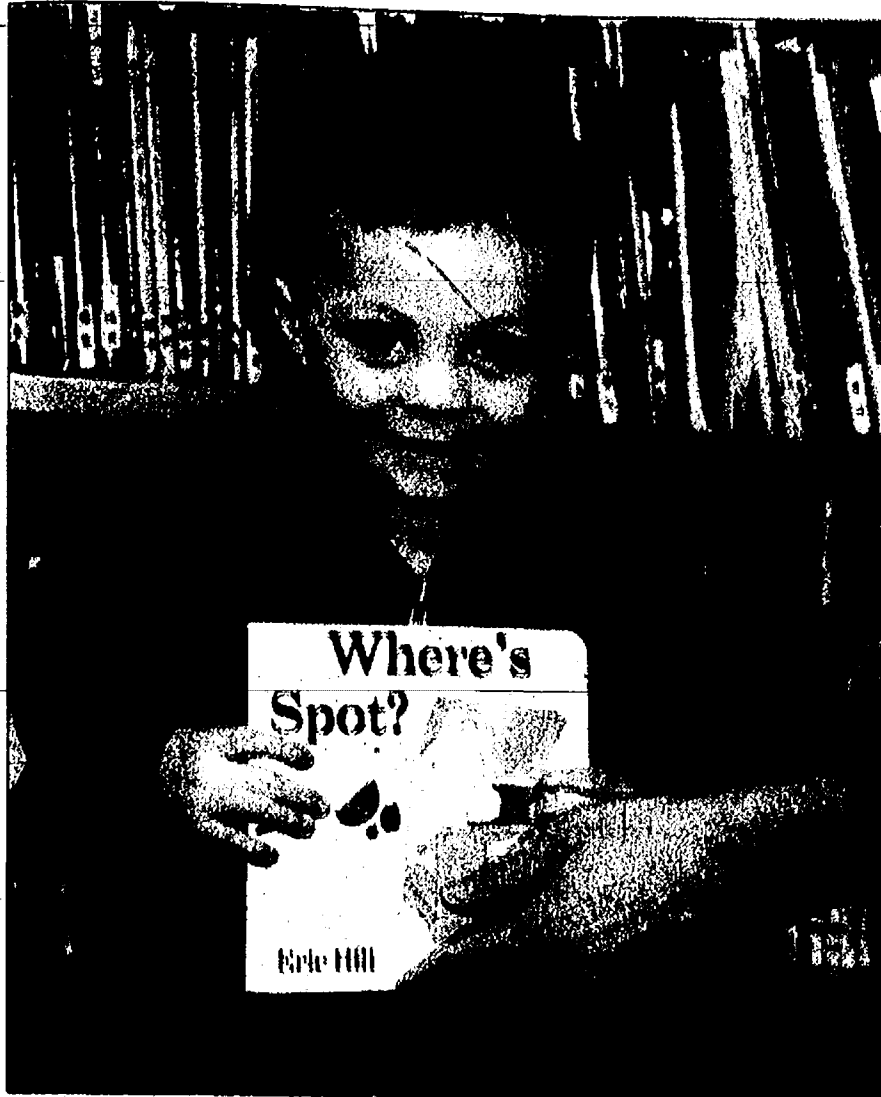
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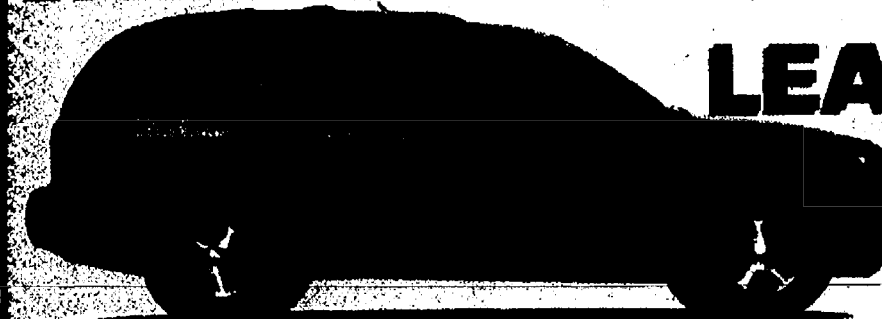
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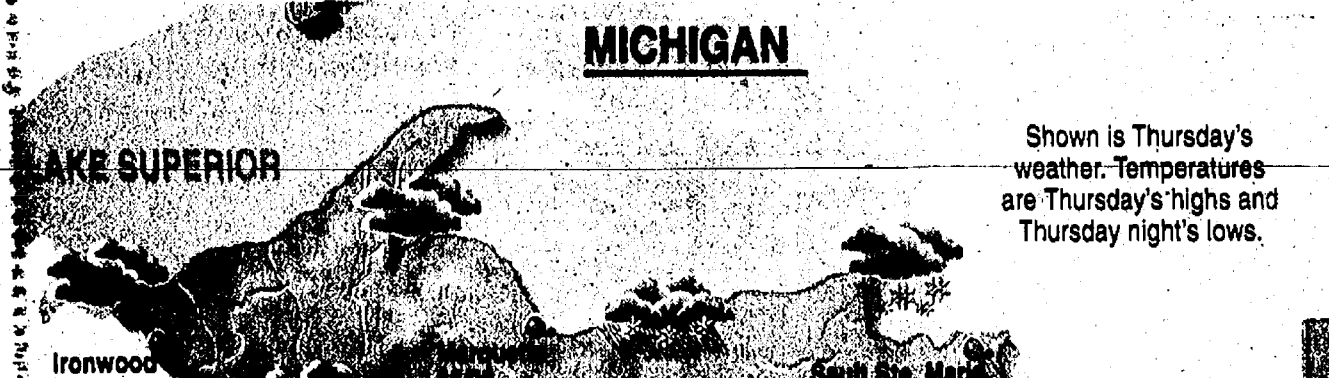
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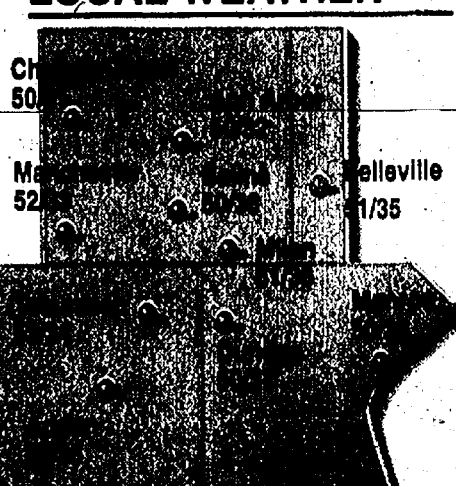
FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

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THURSDAY	THU. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HIGH: 48°-52° Mostly cloudy.	LOW: 34°-38° Cloudy with rain at times.	HIGH: 52°-56° Mostly cloudy with a few showers. LOW: 36°-40°	HIGH: 44°-48° Cloudy and windy; perhaps a shower. LOW: 28°-30°	HIGH: 38°-42° Cold with sun and clouds. LOW: 22°-26°	HIGH: 42°-46° Partly sunny. LOW: 26°-30°



LOCAL WEATHER



MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	50/32/c	54/38/sh
Ann Arbor	50/38/sh	57/40/sh
Bay City	49/34/sh	53/38/sh
Coldwater	52/38/c	58/40/sh
Dearborn	50/36/c	54/40/sh
Detroit	50/34/c	54/38/sh
Grand Rapids	48/35/sh	52/37/sh
Holland	49/38/sh	50/38/sh
Jackson	50/34/c	54/38/sh
Kalamazoo	50/38/sh	58/37/sh
Lansing	48/34/sh	53/38/sh
Livonia	50/38/c	54/41/sh
Midland	45/33/sh	53/37/sh
Monroe	50/38/c	54/44/sh
Muskegon	47/34/sh	48/33/sh
Pontiac	48/33/c	54/41/sh
Port Huron	49/32/c	58/44/sh
Saginaw	49/34/sh	53/38/sh
Saline	50/34/c	54/38/sh
South St. Marie	38/28/s	46/22/c
Sturgis	51/37/sh	57/39/sh
Toronto	49/26/c	52/34/c
Traverse City	43/30/sh	48/27/sh
Warren	50/38/c	54/40/sh

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, r-rain, t-thunderstorms, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice

TRAVEL

Lansing, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
Low pressure will bring the chance of a shower later Thursday with some rain likely Thursday night and Friday. Colder weather is expected for the weekend.

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 58°
Highest Friday 50°
Highest Saturday 48°
Highest Sunday 38°

SOLUNAR TABLE

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

	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thurs 7:48 a.m.	4:36 a.m.	9:14 a.m.	2:01 p.m.	
Fri. 8:04 a.m.	2:21 a.m.	8:58 a.m.	2:40 p.m.	
Sat. 8:16 a.m.	3:04 a.m.	9:39 a.m.	3:27 p.m.	
Sun. 8:55 a.m.	3:45 a.m.	10:17 a.m.	4:06 p.m.	

UV INDEX

Highest Thursday 3
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.

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Statistics for the week ending March 24.
Temperatures:
High for the week 70°
Low for the week 28°
Normal high 47°
Normal low 29°
Average temperature 44.3°
Normal average temperature 38.0°
Precipitation:
Total for the week 0.86"
Total for the month 1.38"
Total for the year 3.23"
Normal for the month 2.07"
Percent of normal this month 67%
Percent of normal this year 51%

SUN AND MOON

Rises Thursday 6:27 a.m.
Sets Thursday 6:55 p.m.
Rises Thursday 4:24 a.m.
Moonset Thursday 1:42 p.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
Albany	55/38/c	60/48/p	Buffalo	48/34/c	54/40/p	Denver	48/22/c	40/25/p	Knoxville	59/48/p	70/51/p
Albany	54/30/c	52/37/s	Burlington, IA	68/43/p	50/32/t	Des Moines	68/38/t	40/27/r	Las Vegas	72/50/s	70/46/s
Albany	58/36/p	51/30/p	Burlington, VT	48/28/p	49/34/s	Duluth	32/24/s	32/20/s	Lexington, KY	58/44/p	70/48/c
Albany	38/24/s	38/22/s	Casper	38/18/c	40/20/p	El Paso	82/48/s	68/36/s	Lincoln	58/38/t	42/24/r
Albany	70/45/p	70/52/p	Cedar Rapids	63/39/c	44/29/r	Fairbanks	22/5/c	28/0/c	Little Rock	78/53/p	63/42/t
Albany	58/40/s	58/44/p	Charleston, SC	74/48/sh	76/55/p	Fargo	41/28/c	37/22/c	Los Angeles	68/47/p	68/50/t
Albany	80/57/s	88/40/c	Charleston, WV	63/38/s	70/50/p	Flagstaff	52/23/p	48/18/s	Louisville	50/38/c	46/27/r
Albany	79/58/p	60/42/p	Charlotte	68/40/c	70/52/p	Fort Wayne	58/39/sh	55/38/r	Madison	73/58/p	70/48/c
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Albany	65/44/p	63/48/t	Cleveland	56/50/p	66/52/c	Houston	80/59/p	74/44/s	Nashville	74/55/p	72/55/c
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Grappling guru

Chelsea's Young earns Michigan regional coach of year honors

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

It all started with a phone call.

It was the mid-1970s and Mike Young was a seventh-grader at Chelsea's Beach Middle School.

An aspiring grappler, Young had advanced to the finals of Beach's wrestling tournament. Waiting for Young in the championship match was a big, bad eighth-grader.

Young, at the time barely able to stand up in a stiff wind, needed help if he ever

wanted to defeat his older, more experienced opponent.

He knew just where to go for help.

Living in town at the time was Kerry Kargel, a former Chelsea undefeated state champion and All-American wrestler, who finished third in the nation while at Grand Valley State University.

"I said to myself, 'This guy is living here? I have to talk to him,'" Young said. "So I decided to seek him out. I called him up, and we started talking."

And talking.
And talking.
And talking.

Almost 30 years later, the twosome continue to talk, this time not as seventh-grader to former college All-American, but as peers.

Despite losing a close 1-0 decision in the Beach wrestling finals, Young and Kargel started a friendship that has lasted to this day.

Kargel eventually became Chelsea's wrestling coach, while Young became his assistant.

That was over 20 years ago. Last February, Young was

honored by the Michigan High School Wrestling Coaches Association as its Regional Assistant Coach of the Year.

The award, in only its third year of existence, is long overdue for Young.

"Mike is very knowledgeable about wrestling," Kargel said. "We've been coaching together forever. He also has a great sense of humor. We're pretty close off of the mat."

Young said he appreciates the award.

"It's always nice to be recognized," he said.

Despite being the assistant coach all these years, Young said he's never really had a desire to move on to a head coaching position elsewhere.

"I don't mind doing what I do," he said.

"Kerry gives me a lot of rein. I'm pretty passionate about what I do. We work well together. If I didn't have that (flexibility), it would be tougher. It's worked out great for both of us."

And it's worked out great for Chelsea wrestling.

Behind the duo's tutelage, the Bulldogs have had a dozen state champions and 60 state placers.

"Not many programs have a head coach and an assistant coach together for 20 years," Kargel said.

Not many programs have two men as gung-ho about wrestling as Young and Kargel.

Today, Chelsea has ultra-modern athletic facilities, with a spacious wrestling room, a training room, locker rooms and everything else under the sun for the grappling program.



Chelsea's Mike Young was recognized last month as the Michigan High School Wrestling Coaches Association's Regional Assistant Coach of the Year. Young, a Chelsea High School graduate, has teamed with Bulldog coach Kerry Kargel for the past 20 years.

When Young and Kargel began, all they had was a pole barn.

That's right, a pole barn.

In the 1970s, Young and his dad converted the family's pole barn into a local wrestling landmark.

"Kerry and I did a lot of wrestling down there," said Young, who was 39-0 as a senior at Chelsea High. "We also did a lot of coaching. A lot of the kids would ride their bikes out there."

"We tore out the dirt floor and cemented it all. We had wrestling mats, wall mats, weights and a speed bag. My dad was a boxing coach, so we had a lot of boxing stuff. We had quite the set-up."

Young, who for the past 10

years has helped coach the Michigan National team, said he stopped using the homemade wrestling mats in the early '90s.

"Our facilities are so much nicer now," he said. "It's much better than wrestling in a pole barn. That's just a memory now."

In the past 20 years, Young has accumulated plenty of memories, at least when it comes to Chelsea wrestling.

"When kids win a state title, I'm the happiest guy in the arena," he said. "My son Brent (1998 for Chelsea) won a state title. They pull off something that I was never able to do."

Young, though unbeaten in 1978 as a senior in high school at 135 pounds, had a

state finals, that to this day still haunts him and, in a way, motivates him.

"I was sick during the tournament," he said. "I had a fever. All year, I had only four points scored on me. I won my first match 8-1, and then lost my next two matches 1-0 and 1-1 in overtime on a referee's decision."

"I didn't win a state title in high school. Maybe if I would have won a state title, I would have been satisfied. Though I doubt it. But I still have dreams about it. It has motivated me."

Also motivating Young throughout his years at Chelsea has been trying to keep up with Kargel, his mentor all those years ago.

"We've been through a lot

of things," he said. "We're real close. We fight like brothers. We're both so passionate about the same things."

"I'll never forget all the laughs we've had. The times we've gotten lost on the road going to matches. It's all been a lot of fun."

"My son wrestled and his two sons wrestled. Our families have grown up together. It's been very memorable. It wouldn't have been the same without him there."

And Chelsea wrestling wouldn't have been the same without Young and Kargel.

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Eye of the storm

Mossburg leads team to state, regional titles

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

When one thinks of Texas, one conjures up images of cowboy hats, oil wells and The Alamo.

But not hockey.

The Lone Star State, however, is emerging into a bona fide frozen pond power, at least west of the Mississippi River.

In the thick of this hockey transformation is former Chelsea resident Andrew Mossburg.

Last year, Mossburg transferred from Chelsea to North Arlington Heights High School for his senior year.

On March 12 through 16, Mossburg, a goaltender, led his Dallas Storm Midget Major AA travel hockey team to the Rocky Mountain regional championship. The Storm finished the tournament 5-1 overall, capturing the title.

The 12-team tournament was in Salt Lake City at the Olympic Oval rink.

One of the individual highlights for Mossburg was a 9-0 shutout victory over the Utah Stars in Game No. 4. In that contest, Mossburg turned aside 29 shots.

With its regional championship, the Storm qualified for the national tournament April 2 through 6 in Laurel, Md.

At the national tournament, a skills competition will be held. Mossburg was one of two Storm players chosen for the event.

To advance to the Rocky Mountain regional, Dallas won the Texas state title, finishing 4-0 for the tournament, Feb. 22 and 23.

Feb. 13 through 16, Mossburg led the Storm to a runner-up finish at the 64-team Maple Leaf Tournament of Champions in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada.



Former Chelsea resident Andrew Mossburg prepares for a shot during the Rocky Mountain regional championship game March 16. Mossburg and his Dallas Storm teammates defeated the Utah Stars 8-2 to capture the title.

In the tournament semifinals, Mossburg stopped 33 shots, sparking the Storm to a 5-3 victory over the Regina Flyers, the defending Canadian national runner-up.

In the tournament championship game, Dallas fell to the Saskatoon Raiders 3-1.

The Storm was one of three teams from the United States.

Mossburg ended the competition with an impressive save percentage of 91.

Mossburg said mental strength is one of the keys to his success on the ice.

"Only you as an individual can get where you want to be," he said. "Believe in yourself."

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Chelsea track competes at relays

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' track and field team competed in the University of Michigan Indoor Relays last weekend.

The Bulldogs received strong performances from numerous athletes.

"We took a very young squad to this meet," said Chelsea coach Eric Swager. "And they competed hard. Several freshmen ran especially well, including Mike Hamilton and Ian Girard in the 1,600. Marius Varner also ran a lifetime best in this race."

In the 1,600-meter run, Varner clocked a 5:10, while Girard had a 5:15 and Hamilton a 5:17.

In the 3,200-meter run, Dan Lewis paced Chelsea, finishing with a time of 10:18. Chris Moyle crossed the line in 12:27, while Ryan Montgomery recorded a 12:28.

"Dan Lewis set a lifetime best in the 3,200 run," Swager said. "He'll see much faster times as the year progresses."

In the 800-meter run, Andre Bravo blazed to 2:12.9 to lead the Bulldogs. Teammate Tony Reifel ended up with a 2:15.9, while Eric Gasieski had a 2:52 for Chelsea.

Andy Hurst broke the one-minute mark in the

400-meter run, finishing the race in 56.2. Teammate Ryan Houle was right on his heels, clocking a 56.6, while Brandon Fitzsimmons had a time of 1:01.2.

In the 60-meter dash, Eric Mathis and Alex Rabbit each clocked a 7.6, while Karl Wint recorded a 7.8.

In field events, the Bulldogs performed well.

Chelsea's Chris Bauer finished second in the shot put, with a lifetime best toss of 46 feet, 2 inches. Houle added a throw of 42-6, while P.J. Sawicki had a heave of 40-6.

In pole vault, Shawn Bergman placed sixth with a personal-best clearing of 10-6. Teammates Hugh White and Drew Wint each recorded a 9-0.

Hurst was tops among the Bulldogs in the long jump, finishing with a mark of 16-10. Houle added a leap of 16-7, while Fitzsimmons had a 16-2.

In the high jump, both Bravo and Girard cleared 5-3 for Chelsea.

In the high hurdles, Ian Galvin paced the Bulldogs, with a time of 9.69. Teammate Alex Adrian clocked 11.38.

The Chelsea foursome of Max Wineland, Adrian, Galvin and Bergman finished with a time of 1:01.2.

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STORM

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To qualify for the Tournament of Champions, the Storm won the Southern Tier Hockey League with an overall record of 13-3-2.

Besides the Storm, the four-team league is comprised of the Florida Junior Panthers, the Houston Wild and Team Carolina.

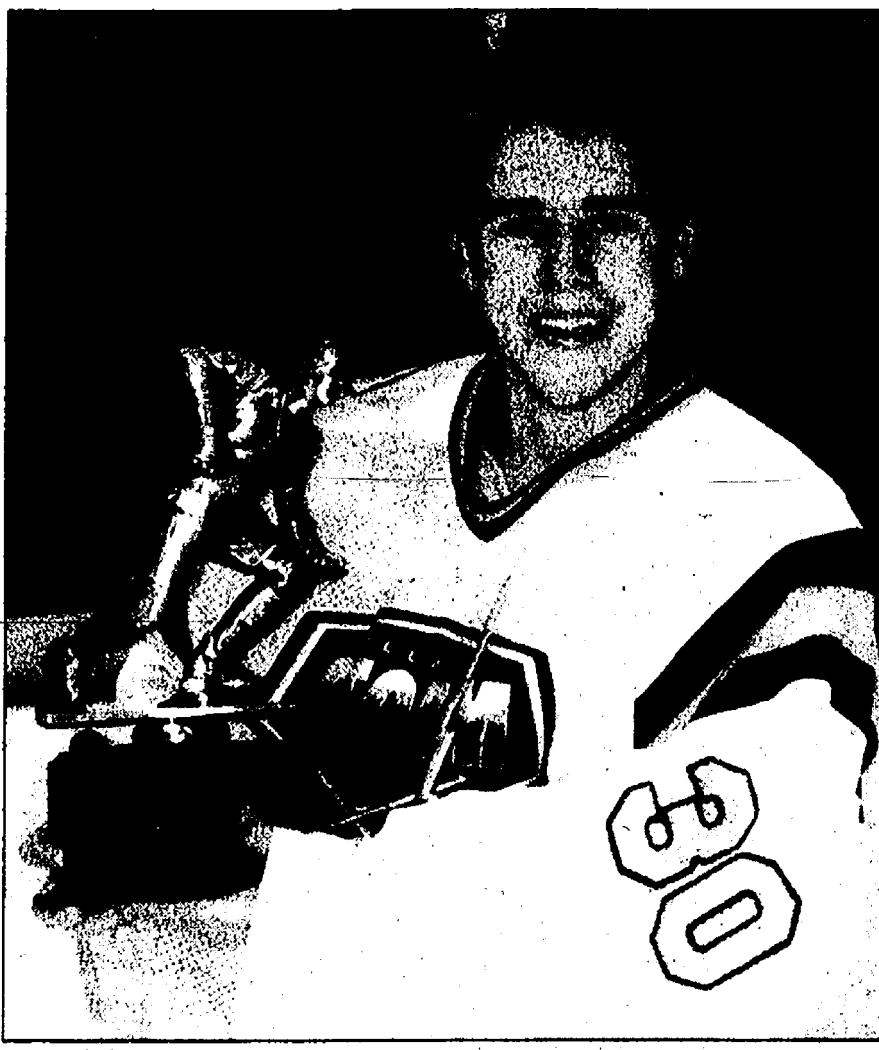
Though dominating its league, Dallas also excelled outside of it in tournaments.

Jan. 17 through 20, the Storm captured the Texas Star Winter Classic Tournament. In the final, Dallas shut out the Tulsa Flames 1-0. Mossburg earned the victory between the pipes, stopping 19 shots. For his efforts, he was named the tournament's MVP.

The Storm is made up of the best 16- to 17-year-old players in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

"I've had so much fun this year," said Mossburg, who plans to attend either Michigan State University, Texas Christian University or Arizona State University in the fall. "The team traveled to Boston, Denver, Miami and Houston — big cities I'd never had the opportunity of seeing before. "The team got along great together. I even went snow tubing in Park City, Utah."

Before leaving for Texas,



Andrew Mossburg, a former Chelsea resident, holds the Rocky Mountain Major Midget AA regional championship trophy.

Mossburg wore Chelsea Blue and Gold.

As a junior, Mossburg received Bulldog hockey's Most Improved Player Award.

Mossburg sports a grade point average of 3.8. While in Chelsea, he was a Southeast Michigan High School Hockey League All-Academic pick two consecutive years.

Mossburg, who has his eye

on the future, said this season, though far from over, has been memorable.

"We went up against some great Midget teams and did well," he said. "I'm looking forward to playing at a college level in some capacity."

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Champion fifth at meet

Champion Gymnastics' Level 6 team finished fifth with a season best score of 106.10 points at last week's state qualifier meet in Rochester Hills.

Champion ended the meet with four first-place finishers.

Earning first-place medals for Champion were Eleanor Stewart on vault (9.100), Kristine Hintz on bars (9.200), Carly Dalton on beam (9.025) and Ellissa Black on floor (8.700).

In the Level 6, 10- to 11-year-old division, other medallists for Champion included Emily Black, who tied for second on bars (8.900) and was sixth on beam and seventh all-around; Catie O'Sullivan, who tied for second on bars (8.900), and was second all-around and third on beam; and Ellissa Black, who besides her first on floor, added a fifth on vault, a sixth on bars and a fifth all-around.

In the Level 6, 12 years old and over group, Mary Cebula was fifth all around, seventh on vault, eighth on floor and 10th on beam for Champion.

Paige Cederna ended up tied for third on floor, while Dalton was also third on floor and seventh all-around.

Brittany Holloway finished 13th on bars, while Caronae Howell was third on bars, fourth on beam and 10th on floor. Stewart was ninth on floor and 11th all-around.

On March 15, Champion's Level 7 and 8 squads competed in the All-American Invitational in Hartland.

In the Level 7, 7- to 11-year-old age group, Ashley Bernard finished second on beam (8.900), while Christina Coffman placed fourth all-around (35.975).

In the Level 7, 12- to 14-year-old division, Cassie Vincke placed third on



Photo courtesy of Katrina Stewart
Champion Gymnastics' Level 6 team finished fifth at a state qualifier meet in Rochester Hills last week. Members of the squad include, front row, Ellissa Black (left) and Paige Cederna; back row, Catie O'Sullivan (left), Caronae Howell, Brittany Holloway, Kristine Hintz, Carly Dalton, Eleanor Stewart, Mary Cebula and Emily Black.

beam, eighth on floor and 10th on bars for Champion.

In the Level 7, 15 years old and older bracket, Sarah Gilley finished second on bars (8.150), beam (8.100), floor (8.750) and all-around (34.975).

At the Level 8, 14 years old and older group, Lisa Hoeft was first on beam (9.225).

In the Level 7, 12- to 14-year-old division, Cassie Vincke placed third on

In the Level 8, 8- to 13-years-old division, Cassie Coffman placed third on floor (9.125), while Rachel Marks finished fourth on bars (9.200).

Champion's Level 7- and Level 8 teams next participate in the state meet this weekend in Traverse City.

In youth gymnastics, the highest level an athlete can achieve is Level 10.

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High Game: Madonna Paul, 213	
High Series: Helen Barais, 528	

SENIORS FUN TIME - 3-19-03

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Two Gals and a Guy 55	22
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Keglers 43	34
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Pais 40	37
Squares 38	39
Steadies 37	40
Wild Ones 35	42
Good Timers 34	43
Sand Baggers 29	48
K & C 27	50

Latecomers 25	52
Sugar Loafers 23	54
High Game: Janice Edick, 186; Ron Zatorski, 278	
High Series: Janice Edick, 481; Bob Calkins, 660	

CHELSEA LANES YOUTH MIXED - 3-22-03

W	L
Crazy Eight 136	60
We Got Mail, Yay! 122	74
Unleashed 110	86
Syrn Wrap 108	88
Slackers 106	90
Lucky 7 103	93
The Screaming Caballeros 102	94
Empty Brains 101	95
We Are Family 99	97
Red Wings 95	101
3 Girls and a Guy 63	133
Vacant 9	187
High Game: Kayla Pepper, 222; Bryan Schipul, 251	
High Series: Kayla Pepper, 551; Steven Pindzia, 591	

JUNIOR HOUSE - 3-20-03

W	L
Red Division 232	158
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High Game: W. Risner, 275	
High Series: J. Navin, 738	

MID MORNING YOUTH MIXED - 3-22-03

W	L
Team 1 114	61
Power Bowlers 112	63
Meleorites 103	72
Team Victory 83	92
Batman 83	71
Vacant 0	154
High Game: Kristen Couller, 147; Vincent Krause, 104	
High Series: Kandy Cook, 352; Justin Green, 283	

COPE hosts volleyball event

The Center for Occupational and Personalized Education will host its ninth annual Volley for Youth volleyball fund-raiser May 4.

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Chelsea Cagers



Chelsea's sixth-grade boys' travel basketball team finished first at the Reading Tournament earlier this month. During its season, the team competed in six tournaments, winning three and finishing as runner-up once. Members of the squad include, front row, Drake Olejniczak (left), Michael Cooper, Aaron Gates, Chad Schiller, Michael Lenneman and Jonathon Thompson; middle row, Michael Roberts (left), Michael Stratman, Jake Mantel, Tyler Fischhaber, Cameron Girard and Kyle Coburn; back row, coach Troy Schiller and coach Dennis Fischhaber.

Rugby club seeks players

The Washtenaw Rugby Football Club is looking for young men in ninth through 12th grades to participate in this year's spring season.

The team features a "no cut" policy. Every player who attends practice will play. No experience is necessary to join the squad.

Training for the spring season has begun, but new players are still being welcomed and encouraged to give the game a try.

A pre-season scrimmage against Brighton and Howell is Saturday at Brighton.

The squad opens the season April 5 by participating in the Michigan Cup Tournament in Southfield.

The club's home opener is against Livonia April 9 at Freeman Elementary School. The school is located off of Dixboro Road, just north of Plymouth Road.

On April 12, the team will play during the University of Michigan Rugby Club's Alumni weekend.

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

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ished the shuttle hurdle relay in 41.47.

In the 3,200-meter relay, the Bulldog group of Trevor Bach, Bravo, Hurst and White crossed the line in 8:51.9.

Chelsea's 1,600-meter relay foursome of White, Bach, Galvin and Reifel stopped the clock in 3:52.8.

In the 800-meter relay, the Bulldog team of Darl Bauer, George Royce, Houle and Mathis finished with a time of 1:42.3.

"We competed against 17 other excellent programs," Swager said. "We were one of

only two Division II schools at the meet. We saw some top-notch athletes.

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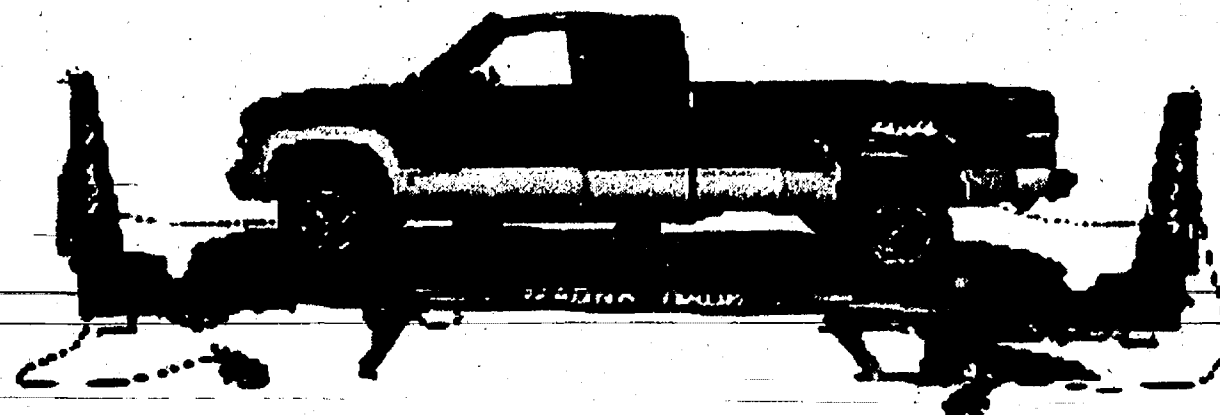
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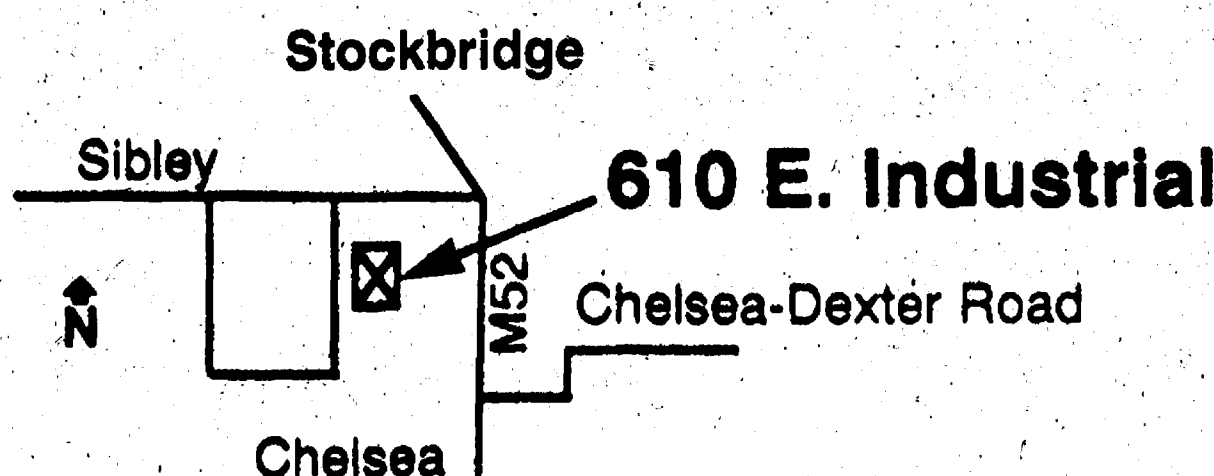
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Chelsea businesses receive leadership awards



Photo by Rita Fischer

Mark (left), Matt and Steve Heydlauff of Heydlauff's Appliances were recipients of the new Business Leadership Award at the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce's banquet Feb. 10.

Appliance store, bus system recognized.

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Heydlauff's Appliances and the Chelsea Area Transportation System were the recipients of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce's first Business Leadership Awards.

The honors were handed out Feb. 10 at the chamber's annual banquet.

Chamber President Art Dils said the organization received several nominations and that the Ambassadors Committee made the final selection.

"For a number of years, CATS has provided transportation to Chelsea residents who are unable to provide their own and at very affordable prices," Dils said.

"They've been able to secure buses and finances from the state and other sources for the benefit of our residents."

Dils said that since hiring Michaelene Pawlak as director and strengthening the CATS board, much is being accomplished, including expanded services, improved response time and finding ways to finance other needed services.

"This has been a labor of love by many volunteers to serve those in our area who are elderly or physically challenged," he said.

Pawlak said CATS, which has offered almost a quarter of a million rides since 1976, was excited to be chosen for the award.

"We've struggled through a rough funding year, have expanded service boundaries and addressed significant problems in transit,"

she said. "And the Chelsea community has acknowledged our work."

The CATS board of directors hired Pawlak in February 2000. At the time, CATS had one bus needing repair and several internal

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Burton recently donated \$400 to the Rev. William Turner at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea. Sellers John and Donna Havel of Grass Lake designated the church as the recipient.

Burton also recently donated \$200 to the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Ladies Auxiliary at the request of clients Rebecca and Dennis Ballard. The money will be put toward the purchase of equipment that is not in the fire department's budget, Burton said.

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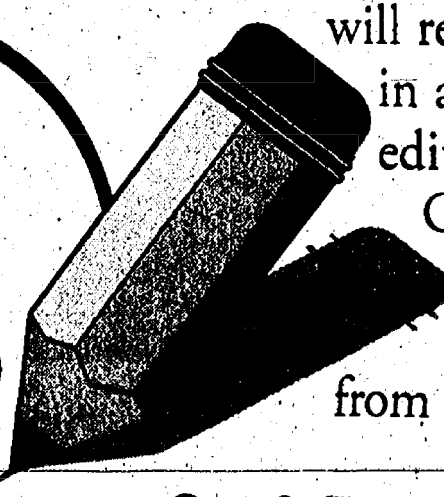
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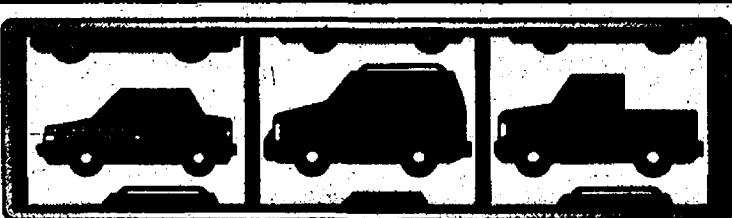
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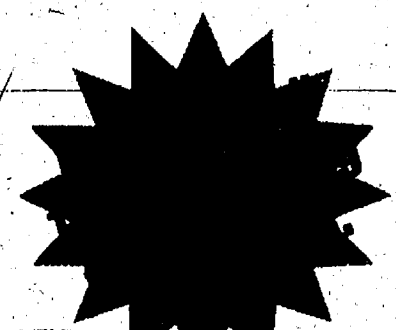
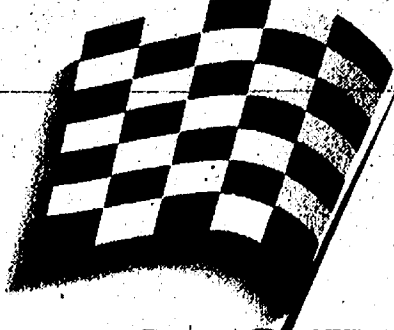
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Photo by Debra Talcott
The Gilbert family helps dad select a new pair of frames from Mainstreet Opticians. From left are 2-1/2-year-old Amanda in the arms of her mother Dawn, father Dan Gilbert and optician Kathy Walker. Walker opened her business in February and looks forward to meeting the eye care needs of the community.

— MARKETPLACE ADVERTISING FEATURE — Pinckney resident opens Mainstreet Opticians

By Debra Talcott
Special Writer

The good news for Dexter-area residents is they no longer have to travel far for all their eye-care needs. With the opening of Mainstreet Opticians in February, patrons have a convenient, in-town source for quality eye care at competitive prices.

Owner and optician Kathy Walker has taken over the space at 8089 Main St., the former home of Dexter Travel.

Walker, who completed her two years of coursework at Hillsborough Community College and received her certification from the American Board of Opticians, was born and raised in Pinckney.

"The community likes that I am from this area," she said. "And they have found Mainstreet Opticians a much-needed service. Now they don't have to drive to Ann Arbor for their eyewear or repair needs."

The doctor who determines patients' needs is René Laliberté. She is a graduate of Ferris State University and the

Michigan College of Optometry.

The two women work hard to uphold the motto that appears on their business cards. Beneath an artist's representation of a pair of eyes are the words, "We want to make two things perfectly clear."

The business offers eye exams, contact lens exams and dispenses contact lenses. It has full frames selection and a lab nearby.

Walker also offers on-site safety glass service to area companies.

"I deliver the orders when they come in directly to the companies," she said. "That way, I save employees from having to make the trip out to our store."

In an industry that has become so large that it is sometimes difficult to offer personalized help, Walker takes pride in her sales and customer service.

"We work with each person as an individual but still offer the pricing of the retail chains," she said.

Mainstreet Opticians displays frames from many well-known brands in every price range. Sample frames from Saks Fifth

Avenue, Ralph Lauren, Christian Dior, Chaps and Gucci are arranged in decorative display cases and on wall-mounted pedestals.

"Our Saks Fifth Avenue frames are reasonably priced for a designer brand, but we also have budget frames," Walker said.

The owner can also help customers choose a pair of the popular half-readers that store conveniently in a small case. Likewise, she offers a nice selection of eyeglass chains that are both attractive and functional.

A member of both the Dexter and Chelsea chambers of commerce, Walker made all of the decorating decisions for the shop. This personable owner also has a "good eye" when it comes to recommending frames for her clients.

"The rimless frames are the latest style," she points out, "and, of course, the plastic frames are very trendy."

Debra Talcott is a free-lance writer. She can be reached via e-mail at edquest@people-pc.com.

AWARD

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agency aspects of CATS needed tweaking to make the system more effective and accessible for the community, Pawlak said.

Pawlak previously developed the medical access portion of RideSource for the Mercy Health System, helping individuals who were unable to access health-care programs because of income, special needs or lack of affordable transportation in their areas.

Pawlak said CATS boasts three vehicles, a vehicle dedicated to Chelsea Village, the Chelsea-Dexter Connector bus linking Chelsea with Ann Arbor and a back-up bus used for special trips.

"The population served includes not only our senior and disabled population but also the general population," Pawlak said. "Every resident in the Chelsea area is eligible to ride the CATS bus."

Pawlak was recently notified that CATS will soon receive federal funding. The organization will join in a project with People's Express, a similar nonprofit agency in Whitmore Lake, and pool vehicle resources for residents in western Washtenaw County.

CATS plans to replace its back-up vehicle, and buy a 15-passenger van and a ramped mini-van.

"Our business is service," she said. "We couldn't do it without the community's support and donations."

For three generations, Heydlauff's has thrived as Chelsea's primary appliance store, Dils said.

"In spite of tough competition, Heydlauff's continues to succeed because of their superior customer service," he said. "The village of Chelsea has benefited from having the fine products and services available to us for many years."

Heydlauff's, a longtime presence in Chelsea, got its start when Lloyd Heydlauff sold items door-to-door in the 1920s. When he saw a spot on North Main Street was vacant, he opened a meat locker at what is now the store's current location. Since people did not have freezers in their home, staff would cut up meat and put it in the customers' assigned lockers back then.

Lloyd's son, George, a 1951



Photo by Rita Fischer

Michaelene Pawlak, director of the Chelsea Area Transportation System, proudly displays the Business Leadership Award CATS received last month from the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce.

Chelsea High School graduate, worked at the store when he was young. His three sons, Matt, Mark and Steve, have carried on the family tradition. The original building was destroyed by fire in 1970 but the family rebuilt.

"The loyalty and service of my sons have kept people coming back," George said.

The senior Heydlauff said he was surprised when he heard the store was receiving an award.

"It's nice to be recognized by my peers and community that we are doing a decent job for the community," he said. "We do our job the way that we feel it should be done."

Dils said that for more than

10 years, Mark Heydlauff has been an active volunteer in the community.

"He chaired the Downtown Development Authority during the highly successful Chelsea 1995 era," Dils said. "Some of us can remember the empty store fronts and how the streetscapes enhanced the look of downtown, all of that leading to the vital downtown we now enjoy."

Dils said that Mark Heydlauff continues to serve on volunteer boards and committees, including chairing the board at Silver Maples retirement community in Chelsea.

"This is something new for the community," Mark Heydlauff said. "I'm very proud to be selected for the award."

Ambassadors Committee secretary Fran Zatorski said Chelsea businesses are an integral part of the community.

"They're not just located here, they participate in almost every aspect of community life and have done for years," she said. "The chamber thought it was important that they be recognized for their contributions."

"Every business nominated deserved the award. The chamber is looking forward to presenting this award each year so that all of the businesses that give so much to Chelsea can be recognized."

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Annual Celebration

Dexter High School teacher Tammy Reich and her husband, Randy, look over some of the donated items at the 15th annual silent auction hosted by the Dexter Education Foundation. The celebration was held last Saturday at the Polo Fields Country Club in Scio Township.

Truck stops agree to assessment

■ **Township Board**
also approves money
for two nonprofits.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

The formation of a special assessment district made up of the three truck stops on Baker Road met with no opposition during a public hearing May 18 at the Scio Township Board meeting.

The plan met opposition from the Pilot truck stop to the south of Interstate 94 two months ago, but a new agreement has been reached.

Each of the three truck stops will pay a special assessment of \$150,000, plus interest, payable over a 15-year period. The interest rate will be determined after the sale of bonds.

The money will be used to improve the Baker Road and I-94 interchange. Plans call for the Baker Road Bridge over I-94 to be widened, a new eastbound on-ramp installed, the existing entrance and exit ramps modified and other improvements.

The \$450,000 to be collected through the special

assessment district, plus another \$50,000 provided by the township's Downtown Development Authority, fulfills the township's fiscal obligation in what is essentially a Michigan Department of Transportation project.

The project is expected to begin this spring, but may be delayed as a result of budget woes at the state level.

The Township Board took care of its own budget shortfall by appropriating nearly \$350,000 from its general improvement fund to cover estimated expenses in the 2003-04 fiscal year, which begins Tuesday.

The board also dealt with a long list of other issues that involved little or no discussion.

• A \$1,250 contribution was made to the Washtenaw Development Council, matching last year's amount. The WDC is a nonprofit organization that works to attract and maintain businesses in municipalities with contracts.

• A \$250 contribution was made to the Dexter Area Historical Society. The Dexter Area Museum, run by

the historical society, stores and preserves historic documents related to the township.

Township Supervisor E. Spaulding Clark said that it's almost a misnomer to refer to the \$250 as a contribution

because the museum frees the township from the responsibility of storing the documents.

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Dinner raises \$9,000 for center

Lisa Hinz-Johnson and Steve Hinz were the guests of honor at the Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts' first Founders Dinner. The couple was recognized for their key role in the founding of the arts center.

State Rep. Gene DeRossett, R-52nd District, presented the couple with a state tribute signed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

More than 90 people attended the fund-raiser March 22 at Chelsea Community Hospital. Approximately \$9,000 was raised.

"Because the dinner was a gift from the hospital to the center, almost every dollar of the ticket price went directly to the center," CCDA Director Ginger Sissom said.

As guests arrived, they were greeted by music played by harpist Rochelle Martinez-Mouilleseaux. At the end of the evening, CCDA students Jillian Heinrichs, Nathan Taylor and Rachel Common performed solos, as did alumna Jessica Oberholtzer.

The arts center started out in 1995 when visual and

musical arts classes were held in church basements and public school classrooms. Waiting lists grew because of a lack of available space.

In 1998, Jeff and Kathleen Daniels sold St. Mary's School to the center for \$1. Today the center hosts a full schedule of arts programs, including private music instruction, group visual arts classes and an art gallery.

For more information, call the center at 433-2787 or e-mail info@ccdaonline.org.

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PAWS FOR THOUGHT

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals sponsors April as Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month to educate Americans about animal cruelty and to urge people to report any instances of violence toward animals.

The organization notes that violence against animals also may be part of a pattern of violence against people.

Cruelty can range from simple neglect, such as failure to provide food, water, shelter and necessary medical care, to intentional abuse, torture or death.

Animal cruelty laws may vary from state to state and in Washtenaw County the agency responsible for

investigating possible cruelty cases is the Humane Society of Huron Valley. Emergency rescue staff is on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

As a result of the popularity of "Animal Precinct," a weekly reality TV series that airs 9 p.m. on the Animal Planet network, millions of Americans have an increased awareness of what constitutes animal cruelty.

"What people learn from the show is the fact that animal cruelty is a national problem," said Annemarie Lucas, American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals special investigator. "Violence toward animals crosses all racial and socioeconomic lines and reaches from coast to coast."

The organization offers the following advice to make life more humane for the animals in our community:

- If you witness or hear about a possible case of animal cruelty taking place, report it to the Huron Valley Humane Society at 662-5585 or call local police.

- Teach future generations

to respect animal life. Make sure schools include humane education as part of their lesson plans.

- Adopt a pet from a shelter or animal control agency. The Huron Valley Humane Society always has a large selection of dogs, cats and other animals that need loving and permanent homes. Local rescue groups are also a possible resource for that next new animal family member.

- If you own a pet, provide it with annual veterinary check-ups, spay and neuter it to reduce the pet population, and urge your friends to do the same.

- Consider supporting a local animal rescue organization with donations of time, money, food or supplies. Volunteering to foster a shelter animal is a good way to make a difference. Providing foster care helps socialize abused or frightened animals before they are adopted.

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Photo by Mary Kumbler

Looking for a Bid

The Dexter Education Foundation marked its 15th anniversary last Saturday and held its annual silent auction to benefit Dexter schools. Kay Stefanski looks at bidding on a colorful chair designed and donated by librarian Paula Smeltekop.

Hunt performs at Eastern

Carey Hunt of Dexter, a sophomore at Eastern Michigan University, will make his debut on stage in the production of "The Trial of Tom Sawyer."

The performance runs April 3 through 13 at the Quirk Theatre on EMU's campus in Ypsilanti.

Hunt, the son of Steve and Linda Hunt, is a graduate of Dexter High School, where he was a member of the forensics and varsity football teams.

For information on the play, call the EMU theater box office at 1-734-487-1221.

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The answer is, probably not.

If you're like most regular exercisers, your exercise routine has become too routine based. Your body knows it, so why haven't you figured it out yet?

Once you reach a plateau of good conditioning for the type of exercise that you're doing, it's time to go to a new level or to get some variety. In most cases, your body is trying to tell you it is ready for a new challenge.

Your body is comfortable and, unfortunately, being comfortable isn't going to get results. Granted, staying with your current program will keep your body fat down and blood pressure down, but powering up your workout can give you other important benefits, such as improved cardiovascular fitness, steady weight loss, increased muscle tone and boredom prevention.

To change your routine, try incorporating some interval training. Competitive runners and cyclists incorporate intervals as a regular part of their training.

For example, one or two days a week they will perform a workout where they incorporate short, hard bursts of efforts for a specific amount of time that make their bodies work harder than they normally would. In the process, they burn more calories to respond to the harder workload.

You can incorporate some intervals into your training, too. Make sure to start your workout with some sort of warm-up for five to 10 minutes, and end it with a good cool down of the same duration.

Start with brief intervals — 30 to 90 seconds to begin with — hard enough so that you feel the effort, but not so hard that you feel like you're going to pass out.

It doesn't matter what type of equipment you're exercising on, you can include intervals in any program. If you walk, add some jogging intervals or hills to your program. Jog for 30 seconds to one minute interspersed throughout your time.

If you're walking or jogging

on a treadmill, add some hills. Increase the incline every two minutes from 1 percent up to 12 percent. On a bike or elliptical, pedal at a higher cadence.

Weight-training routines should be changed once in a while, as well. It doesn't have to be a drastic change, but including one or two new exercises or changing the order of exercises will usually give your body some needed stimulation. This means increased gains in lean muscle tissue and strength.

Maybe you need a challenge or some inspiration to motivate you to change your routine. Sign up for a local 5K fun run/walk or get some friends together to do a triathlon. Try a new class at the gym. Better yet, get the help of a fitness trainer to set you up on a new routine and

teach you some new exercises.

Maybe you have never included weight training in your routine. Now would be the perfect time.

Now that you are armed with these new tactics to up your workout ante, next time you're in the gym, put down that magazine and pay attention to your body. Work at increased intensity levels for a short duration and burn, baby, burn those calories.

Take charge of your health and find the strength to dominate your day.

Ann Brooks has a degree in exercise science from Eastern Michigan University and is certified as a personal trainer by ACE. She is a fitness specialist and personal trainer at Chelsea Community Hospital Health and Wellness Center.

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Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2003 at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street, Dexter, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the following special use applications:

- 1) The applicant, David Boyle, of the Cookie McMaster, 8050 Main Street, Dexter, Michigan, is applying for a special use permit to allow for outdoor seating in front of the Main Street restaurant. The property is located in the Village's Central Business District.
- 2) The applicant, Fr. Dave Horning, of the St. James Episcopal Church, 3279 Broad Street, Dexter, Michigan, is applying for a special use permit to allow a memorial garden cemetery on the church grounds. The property is located in the Village's Village Residential District.

Information regarding the application is available for public inspection at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street, Dexter, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or by phone at (734) 426-8303 Ext. 2. Written comments regarding this project should be submitted to the Village Offices, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2003. Sign language interpreter, or other assistance, is provided upon request to the Clerk, at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Minutes of all meetings are available at Village Offices and on the Village website.

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AGENDA

- 1) Work Session

John Shea,
Chairman

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WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC NOTICE

The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners is looking for citizens to volunteer for a slate of positions on the Washtenaw County Development Rights Ordinance Review Committee. The Board of Commissioners will make these appointments at its April 2003 session(s) at 6:45 p.m. at the Library Learning Resource Center, 4135 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Individuals interested in applying should submit a letter of interest indicating the specific category/area of expertise and resume, including a home address to Tammy Richards, County Administrator's Office, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107. Letters and resumes may be received via the internet by sending to richardt@washtenaw.org or faxing Tammy Richards at (734)222-6715.

Those resumes received by March 31, 2003, will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for its consideration.

On June 17, 1998 the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners adopted the Washtenaw County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance. The Ordinance provided a mechanism for the County to purchase the development rights of agricultural land to prevent it from being developed. In 2002, congress passed the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act. This Act provides federal funds to assist in the purchasing the development rights from agricultural lands. The local governmental entity where the property is located also pays a portion of the cost of development rights. Since the enactment of Washtenaw County's PDR Ordinance, both federal and state law provisions concerning PDR programs have been enacted and/or updated.

On March 19, 2003, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners created a Washtenaw County Development Rights Ordinance Revision Committee comprised of 10 members. The charge of this Committee is to review the County's existing Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance in light of existing state and federal legislation and make recommended changes to the Ordinance to the Board of Commissioners based on existing laws.

Members must be County residents. The Committee is to be comprised of ten individuals representing the same categories as the Agricultural Lands Preservation Advisory Committee established by the County's PDR Ordinance. The Board of Commissioners is seeking one representative of environmental/conservation groups or natural resources/conservation groups or natural resources professionals; one representative from real estate interests; one private sector/academic land use planning professional; four representatives who are engaged in agricultural production or operate agricultural businesses; two members of the general public; and one County Commissioner.

For additional information please contact:

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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING -- MARCH 18, 2003

Webster Township Board Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Sup. Fisher. Present: Fisher, Baldus, Calhoun, Fink, Kingsley, Deputy Brian Filipiak and nine residents.

The meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisors Remarks

Motion Kingsley support Fink to accept minutes of Feb. 18, 2003 as presented. Carried.

Treasurer's report presented. Janis Keogh resigned as Deputy Treasurer.

Motion Calhoun support Fink to appoint Pam Wetzel as Deputy Treasurer. Carried.

Motion Calhoun support Baldus to accept treasurer's report and pay bills as presented, as well as anticipated bills. Carried.

Webster Township Planning Commission Report received.

Parks and Recreation Report: Received \$4,000.00 for trees.

Zoning Inspector Report: Seven permits were inspected and two permits issued.

Sheriff report received.

Motion Kingsley support Fink to approve agenda as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

A) Spring Clean up. The date for Spring Clean up changed to April 26, 2003.

B) C) D) E) F) No old business to be considered

G) Campbell vs. ZBA.

Campbell Attorney to file by the end of March. Attorney Reading to file by the end of April.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Retirement Reception

May 4, 2003 at two o'clock at Webster Township Hall will be a Retirement Reception for Jim Ross, Bob Mast, Jim Burnett and Janis Keogh.

B) Recycling Committee. Tabled.

C) Acting Zoning Inspector. Sup. Fisher drafted a set of qualifications for the position of Zoning Inspector, to be reviewed by Calhoun and discussed with the Building Department.

D) Phase 11 Stormwater Permit: Application has been received, package being reviewed by Penzia and DEO; notified it will be turned in, in June.

E) FY 2004 Budget

Motion Kingsley support Calhoun to adopt the Budget as present.

Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

F) FY 2004 Annual Operating Policies

Motion Calhoun support Kingsley to adopt Annual Policies for Township Operations and carried.

Budget Policies FY 2004.

Motion Fink support Calhoun to amend 1) to read "approval of Sup. Clerk or Treasurer". Carried.

Motion Fink support Calhoun to adopt Budget Policies FY 2004 with changes. Carried.

Wage Policies: Appointed Boards FY 2004

Motion Calhoun support Kingsley to adopt Wage Policies: Appointed Boards FY 2004 and carried.

G) Elected Officials Compensation

Motion Fink support Calhoun to adopt Resolution to establish Township Sup. Salary. Roll call, all ayes and carried.

Motion Fink support Kingsley to adopt Resolution to establish Townships Treasurer's Salary. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

Motion Fink support Kingsley to adopt Resolution to establish the Township clerk salary. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

Motion Calhoun support Baldus to adopt Resolution to establish Township Trustees salary. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

Motion Fink support Kingsley to adopt Resolution to establish Township ZBA Chairman Salary. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

Motion Calhoun support Baldus to adopt Resolution to establish Planning Chairman Salary. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

AUDIENCE

Motion Calhoun, support Kingsley meeting adjourn at 9 pm, carried.

Respectfully submitted

Wana M. Baldus, Clerk

WEBSTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

THE WEBSTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL, 5665 WEBSTER CHURCH ROAD, DEXTER, MICHIGAN, TO PRESENT A NEW "PDR ORDINANCE" (Open Space Preservation).

Written comments may be made in advance mailed or delivered to the above address.

Those with disabilities must notify the Township Clerk no less than 7 (seven) days prior to the meeting, so that accommodations may be furnished to satisfy their disability and allow for meaningful attendance.

JOHN KINGSLEY, CHAIRMAN
PLANNING COMMISSION

POSTED 03/24/03

LIMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2003, 7:30 P.M.
LIMA TOWNSHIP HALL, 11452 JACKSON ROAD
CHELSEA, MICHIGAN 48118

APPLICATION # 03-001. A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE LIMA TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE, TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 43 ACRES FROM A1 (GENERAL AGRICULTURE) TO PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT). THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED OFF OF SEITZ DRIVE AND IS PART OF E 1/2 OF SW 1/4 WHICH LIES NLY OF SERVICE ROAD, SECTION 16, LIMA TOWNSHIP, PARCEL # G 07-16-300-001.

APPLICATION FILED BY PALMER MOTOR SALES, INC.

222 S. MAIN ST.
CHELSEA, MI 48118

A complete copy of this proposal is on file in the Lima Township office. Written comments may be sent to:

Karen Malone, Chairman
Lima Township Planning Commission
P.O. Box 59
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VILLAGE OF DEXTER PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2003 at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street, Dexter, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the following special use applications:

1) The applicant, Mike Argiero, of Argiero's Pasta and Pizza, 7049 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, Dexter, Michigan, is applying for a special use permit to allow for outdoor seating on the public sidewalk in front of the restaurant in the Dexter Crossing Commercial Center. The applicant is also applying for a special use permit to allow a restaurant serving alcohol. The property is located in the Dexter Crossing Planned Unit Development General Commercial District.

Information regarding the application is available for public inspection at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street, Dexter, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or by phone at (734) 426-8303 Ext. 2. Written comments regarding this project should be submitted to the Village Offices, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2003. Sign language interpreter, or other assistance, is provided upon request to the Clerk, at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Minutes of all meetings are available at Village Offices and on the Village website.

CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2003 - 7:00

Meeting location: Chelsea District Library Meeting Room

Welcome and Call to Order

Trustees in attendance:

Kathy Sprawka, President; Jan Dohner, Vice President; Greg DeGraff, Secretary; John Gourlay, Treasurer; Lynn Fox, Nancy Schumann, Trustees and Metta Lansdale, Director

Guests: Lella Draugelis, Michael Rybka, Tina Diab, Linda Ballard, Ron Andrews and Shawn Personke, Marie Brooks.

K. Sprawka called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Review and Additions

The board adopted by consensus one change to the agenda, which was to move "Personnel Consultant" to the discussion portion of the agenda, at the request of Greg DeGraff.

Compulsory Segments

MOVED by J. Gourlay and Seconded by J. Dohner to accept the minutes for January 21, 2003, as distributed.

MOTION PASSED.

MOVED by N. Schumann and Seconded by L. Fox to accept the minutes for the January 25, 2003 Board Retreat as distributed.

MOTION PASSED.

Director's Report

In addition to the distributed report, M. Lansdale reported on forthcoming capital purchases that were approved in the 2003 budget year.

Approval of the Checks

MOVED by N. Schumann and Seconded by J. Dohner to accept the checks.

MOTION PASSED.

Communications

Metta Lansdale reported that the DDA minutes and agenda had arrived after distribution of the packet. They will be in the March packet.

Comments from the Community

There were no comments from the community.

The Breton Group Report - Ann Williams

Ann Williams, reporting for The Breton Group, reported that the Communications Committee would hold monthly meetings for the next two months, the next meeting is scheduled for March 25th at 6:00 pm.

Building Committee Report

Lynn Fox reviewed the building committee newsletter/flyer and reported that the committee gathering data on current population and comparable libraries.

Communications Committee Report

Jan Dohner reported that the Communications Committee held its first meeting immediately before the board meeting and were discussing communications options and committee objectives.

Action Items

2003 Board Committees

MOVED by G. DeGraff and Seconded by L. Fox to adopt the committee list in the packet, as revised. The Committee list to be adopted is as follows:

Policy Committee - Nancy Schumann (Chair), John Gourlay and Greg DeGraff

Recommend general library policy, human resources policy and Bylaws revisions to the Board for approval.

Nominating Committee - Jan Dohner

Form a slate of officers and standing committee appointments, annually.

Personnel Committee - Greg DeGraff (Chair), Nancy Schumann and Jan Dohner

1) Lead the process for evaluation of the Director: Gather Data, Recommend evaluation to the Board

2) Facilitate appeals from library staff to the Board

Building Committee - Lynn Fox (Chair), Jane Delsing, Karen Dixon, Lella Draugelis, Ken Klovski, Jim Myles, staff and architect.

Communications Committee - Jan Dohner (Chair), Gail McCollough, Andy Sacks, Daphne Hodder, Amy Bolt, Dayle Wright, Brian Hamilton, staff, The Breton Group.

The goal of the communications committee is to educate the community about and engage its participation in the capital campaign. Through a variety of strategies, the committee will work to:

- build awareness of the library, what it offers and its role in the community

- build awareness of library needs

- educate the community about the plan to meet library needs

- educate the community about and invite its participation in supporting

VILLAGE OF DEXTER SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 12-23-02 TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE

Pursuant to MCLA 41.184, the Village of Dexter hereby publishes the following Summary of Ordinance No. 12-23-02, the Telecommunications Ordinance, which was adopted by the Village of Dexter, Village Council on December 23, 2002:

Sec. 1. Purpose. The purposes of this Ordinance are set forth in this Section.

Sec. 2. Conflict. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed in such a manner as to conflict with the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Right-of-Way Oversight Act (Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 2002) ("Act"), or other applicable law.

Sec. 3. Terms Defined. Key terms are defined:

Sec. 4. Permit Required. The Ordinance requires a telecommunications provider using or seeking to use the Village's public rights-of-way to apply for and obtain a permit. The Ordinance further sets forth permit application information.

Sec. 5. Issuance of Permit. The Ordinance sets forth the review process for telecommunications permit applications. The Ordinance also sets forth the form of permit to be issued, and the authority to attach conditions and require a bond.

Sec. 6. Reserved.

Sec. 7. Conduit or Utility Poles. Obtaining a permit or paying the fees required under the Act does not give a telecommunications provider the right to use conduit or utility poles.

Sec. 8. Route Maps. The Ordinance requires a telecommunications provider to route maps, in a paper format, showing the location of its telecommunications facilities.

Sec. 9. Repair of Damage. The Ordinance requires a telecommunications provider to promptly repair all damage done to the street in connection with its use of the public rights-of-way.

Sec. 10. Establishment and Payment of Maintenance Fee. The Ordinance sets forth the fees that must be paid pursuant to the Act.

Sec. 11. Modification of Existing Fees. The Ordinance modifies the fees charged to telecommunications providers after November 1, 2002.

Sec. 12. Savings Clause. If Section 8 of the Act is found to be invalid or unconstitutional, the modification of fees under Section 11 above shall be void.

Sec. 13. Use of Funds. All money received by the Village pursuant to the Act shall be used solely for rights-of-way related purposes.

Sec. 14. Annual Report. The Village Manager is required to file an annual report with the Authority on the use and disposition of funds annually distributed by the Authority.

Sec. 15. Cable and Television Operators. The Ordinance limits the Village's ability to hold a cable television operator in default or to seek a remedy for its failure to pay a franchise fee after November 1, 2002.

Sec. 16. Existing Rights. This Ordinance shall not affect existing rights a telecommunication provider or the Village may have under a permit or a contract related to the use of the public rights-of-way.

Sec. 17. Compliance. The Village is adopting this Ordinance is to fully comply with the Act's requirements. A list of those requirements is provided in the Ordinance.

Sec. 18. Reservation of Police Powers. The Village's reasonable control of its public rights-of-way for health, safety and welfare purposes is preserved.

Sec. 19. Severability. The Ordinance contains a severability provision should a portion of it be determined unconstitutional or invalid.

Sec. 20. Authorized Village Officials. The Village Manager or his/her designee is authorized to issue municipal civil infraction citations.

Sec. 21. Municipal Civil Infraction. Violations of this Ordinance constitutes a municipal civil infraction. The Ordinance provides further information regarding civil infraction violations, including fines and costs.

Sec. 22. Repealer. All ordinances and portions of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 23. Effective Date. The Ordinance takes effect thirty (30) days after the publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Village.

The publication of this Summary of the Telecommunications Ordinance is intended to meet the requirements for publication as provided by law. A true and complete copy of the Telecommunications Ordinance is on file and available for public inspection or copying by contacting the office of the Village Manager, Village of Dexter, 8123 Main Street, Dexter, Michigan.

VILLAGE OF DEXTER
DEXTER, MICHIGAN
Donna Fisher, Village Clerk

the campaign to expand the library

Finance Committee

John Gourlay (Chair and Treasurer), Lynn Fox and Greg DeGraff

1) To review, consider and recommend annual budget as formulated by the Director

2) Monitor routine financial activity - Treasurer

3) Assist the Board and Director in any projects involving library finances

Public Relations

Jan Dohner, Kathy Sprawka

MOTION PASSED

Poetry Grant

MOVED by L. Fox and Seconded by N. Schumann to approve the grant submitted to the Chelsea Education Foundation that would partially support the 2003 Poetry Competition and Celebration.

PASSED

Meeting Room Policy

MOVED by J. Gourlay and Seconded by L. Fox to adopt the revised Meeting Room Policy as distributed.

PASSED

Discussion Items

Consulting Time for Personnel Review Process

Greg DeGraff introduced a discussion on the pro's and con's of a quarterly review of the director that is in a more formal metric format as opposed to a less formal discussion format. Pro's: quantifiable benchmark data for the director to use as a cumulative guide. Con's: cost and time required for consultant to create a quantifiable process; the board has not yet adopted a set of goals for the Director.

By consensus the director was asked, as an interim measure, to draft proposed goals for the year, report on those goals and meet with the board on March 11th for their first quarterly review. The Director agreed to supply the Board with her report prior to the March 11th meeting.

It was the sense of the Board that it could not take action to approve goals for the Director prior to the March 15 Strategic Planning Retreat.

Budget Priorities

John Gourlay led the discussion to review the budget development process and how the board may become involved earlier. Suggestions emerged as follows:

- Use the strategic planning process to set direction

- Establish salary objectives early by performing a salary survey to see how the library compares with its peers in terms of rates and increases.

- Evaluate millage requirements by means of information from the tax base as soon as that is available.

Building Impact - Staff Budget Request

M. Lansdale explained the methodology behind the request for 46 additional hours per week that will offset pressures on library managers and administration for support of the building program. Discussion focused on the need for additional management to aid the director. The Board expressed concern that the library have adequate management so that daily operations and support activities for the Board are maintained. The director was asked to bring back the current request for action and propose additional adjustment with this in mind.

Governor's Request for Community Service

K. Sprawka led a discussion about how the library could respond to the Governor's request for special attention to education for infants and reading as well as the governor's request for community service requirements for young people. Trustees discussed

- Involving a citizen group to formulate ideas for library action

- Providing opportunities for community service to students

- Reading to young children

- Tutoring of all kinds

- Outreach to seniors

- Oral histories for the local community

- Literacy effort in western Washtenaw County

Reports:

DDA - Lynn Fox will attend the next DDA meeting.

Public Comment

No public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20.

Submitted by
Greg DeGraff, Secretary
Metta Lansdale, Director

Future farmers meet in Lansing

More than 200 delegates from Michigan Future Farmers of America chapters were guests at the state's Capitol March 4 as they met with legislators, learned about the legislative process and visited the House and Senate chambers.

The visit also helped legislators — many without farming backgrounds — to identify with the organization, which is devoted to leadership and agricultural awareness.

For the second year, the event was held in conjunction with the three-day Future Farmers of America convention on the campus of Michigan State University.

The convention theme was "Continuing the

Legacy: Celebrating 75 years," and the convention offered experiences to help members "continue the legacy" of inspiration and success.

Future Farmers of America delegates attending the event represent more than 5,000 members from across the state and are part of the nation's largest student organization.

The annual convention includes a multitude of inspirational and educational events designed to build leadership, including several public speaking contests, forums on agricultural issues, parliamentary procedure contests and an array of guest speakers.

State Geography Bee slated

Three local students will participate in the 15th annual Michigan Geographic Bee 9 a.m. April 4 at Central Michigan University's Bovee University Center.

Among 103 Michigan pupils in fourth through eighth grades will be Anne Thiel of Chelsea, Hannah Barrett of Pinckney and James Alsobrooks of Pinckney.

Participants will also have an opportunity to win a \$25,000 scholarship in the national competition.

The state bee is the second level of a national competition sponsored by the National Geographic Society and ING Financial Services.

Students from more than 400 schools competed in school-level preliminary bees in January. Winners of the preliminary round completed a written qualifying test administered and evaluated by the National

Geographic Society in Washington, D.C.

The top scorers in Michigan advance to the state bee at CMU, where they will be orally tested on geographic knowledge. Each student will be asked a minimum of eight questions during the preliminary round and 10 students will advance to the final, double elimination competition.

The first prize is \$100 and an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., for this year's finals May 20 and 21. The second-place winner will receive \$75 and third place receives \$50.

The national champion will earn a \$25,000 scholarship. Second- and third-place winners receive \$15,000 and \$10,000 scholarships, respectively.

Michigan has had four first-place winners and one third-place winner.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Big Success

The Dexter Education Foundation marked another success in its 15-year track record of helping Dexter schools fund unique projects. Bruce Shapiro, president of the foundation, is pictured with Leigh Washabaugh and Natalie Ceccolini, co-chairwomen of the silent auction held Saturday at the Polo Fields Country Club. The event is held annually to raise money for the schools.

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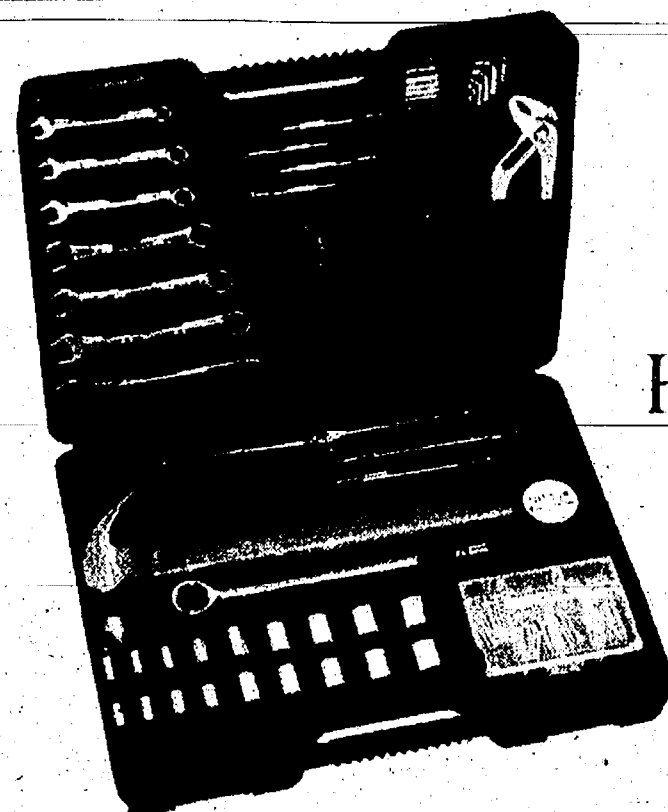
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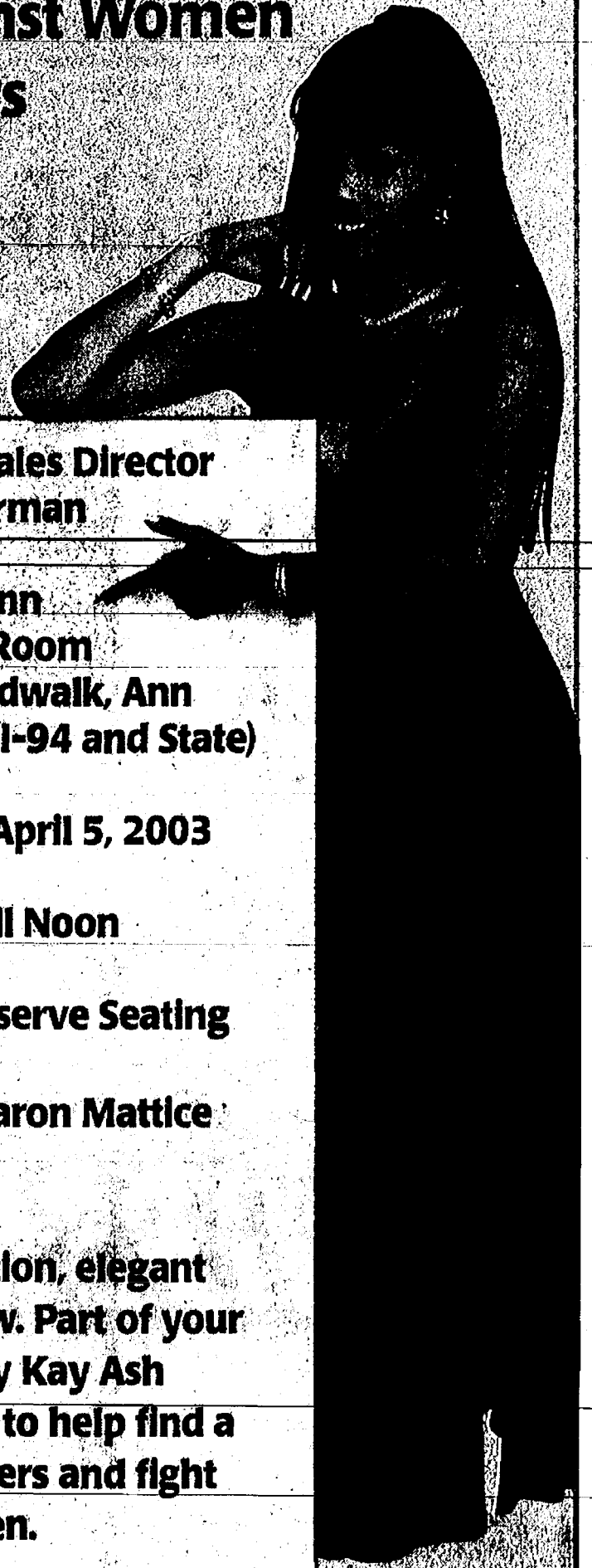
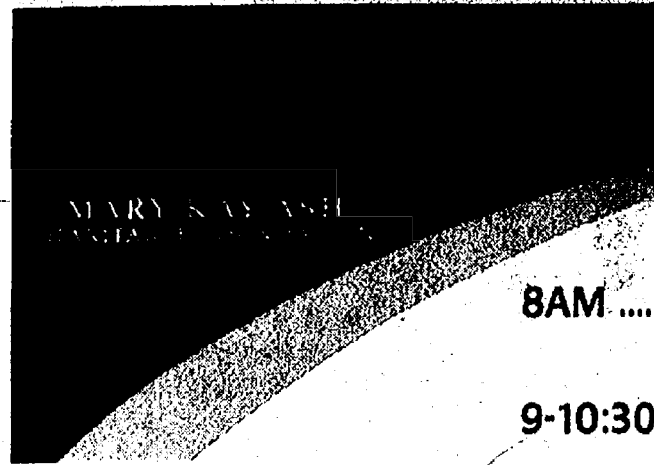
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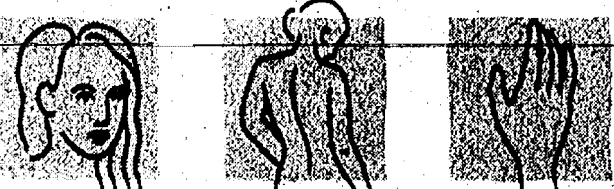
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FOOD

Thursday, March 27, 2003

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FOOD & NUTRITION

MAKING "CENTS" OUT OF LUNCH

Lunch can be inexpensive, healthful and convenient—if it's in the brown bag. Simply by packing a lunch every day, you will add healthful nutrients to your diet and give your budget a break.

A simple calculation proves it's more expensive to buy than bag your lunch. Compare spending approximately \$1.80 for a sandwich containing two slices of bread, turkey, cucumbers, tomatoes and lettuce vs. an average price of \$4.95 in a restaurant for the same thing. Restaurant lunches quickly add up to a yearly budget of \$1,287, while the brown bag option weighs in at only \$390—a savings of \$897 a year! In fact, the average restaurant meal in 2000 cost \$4.92 per person, which was an increase of approximately 4 percent from 1999. Now that's a lot of dough!

In addition to digging deeper into their pockets, restaurant diners get fewer nutrients even though they eat more calories. The results of a new study from the Journal of the American Dietetic Association revealed restaurant meals contain approximately 55 percent more calories and more saturated fat than the average homemade meal. With more than 45 billion eaten every year, sandwiches

"Bread and other grain foods make a smart foundation for family lunches and provide a great source of complex carbohydrates for energy and key nutrients..."

are a natural choice as the foundation for a quick, inexpensive, nutritious and versatile brown bag lunch. Add some healthful snacks and you balance both your diet and your budget.

"A sandwich is an extremely cost-effective and healthful item in a brown bag lunch. Built with a base of grain foods, one of the most inexpensive and nutritious foods available, a variety of sandwiches can be enjoyed every day at work or at school," said Judi Adams, registered dietitian and president of the Wheat Foods Council. "Bread and other grain foods make a smart foundation for family lunches and provide a great source of complex carbohydrates for energy and key nutrients, like fiber, calcium and iron for growth and development."

Enriched bread and grain foods also are fortified with folic acid, which may help women of childbearing age prevent neural tube birth defects and also may lower cardiovascular risk.

Grain foods are in the bag when it comes to a nutritious and "cents"ational lunch.



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BISTRO BEEF SANDWICHES

8 tablespoons chopped, pitted black olives
1 tablespoon chopped green onions
1 tablespoon olive oil vinaigrette dressing
1/2 teaspoon dry basil leaves
8 slices white bread
2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
8 thin slices 98% fat-free roast beef (approximately 2.6 ounces)
1/2 cup coarsely chopped, roasted red pepper, drained
2 tomatoes, sliced
4 thin slices provolone cheese
Lettuce leaves

Combine olives, green onions, dressing and basil; set aside. Lightly spread 4 slices of bread with Dijon mustard. Top each with 2 slices of meat. Divide olive mixture and roasted red peppers evenly over two of the sandwiches. Top with tomatoes, cheese, lettuce and remaining bread.

Child's Version: Omit olive mixture, red peppers and lettuce. Substitute yellow mustard for Dijon mustard and American cheese for provolone cheese, if desired.

Makes 4 servings.

Approximate nutrition analysis per serving

Adult: calories, 270; protein, 13 g; carbohydrates, 36 g; fat, 9 g; fiber, 3 g; sodium, 1,080 mg; cholesterol, 20 mg; folic acid, 12.70 mcg
Child: calories, 230; protein, 12 g; carbohydrates, 29 g; fat, 7 g; fiber, 2 g; sodium, 530 mg; cholesterol, 25 mg; folic acid, 11.80 mcg

SANTA FE CRACKERS

1 jar (5 ounces) pimento cheese spread
2 tablespoons salsa
1/4 cup shredded, reduced-fat Cheddar cheese
20 saltine crackers
Chopped tomatoes and cilantro sprigs

Blend together pimento cheese spread and salsa, blending until smooth. Stir in shredded cheese. Spread about 1 teaspoon on each cracker. Top with chopped tomatoes and cilantro sprigs. Place left-over spread in a sealable plastic container; spoon onto cracker just before serving.

Child's Version: Omit tomatoes and cilantro sprigs. Top spread with a second cracker, if desired. Stack several cracker sandwiches, and roll tightly in plastic wrap.

Makes 4 servings.

Approximate nutrition analysis per serving
Calories, 180; protein, 9 g; carbohydrates, 13 g; fat, 11 g; fiber, .51 g; sodium, 740 mg; cholesterol, 30 mg; folic acid, .32 mcg



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1 tablespoon sweet pickle relish
8 thin slices 97% fat-free cooked ham (approximately 2.6 ounces)
Lettuce leaves

Separate each bun; toast under broiler element. Spread each bun half with Dijon mustard. Stir together cream cheese and pickle relish. Spread on one side of each bun. Layer 2 slices of ham on each sandwich, and top with lettuce leaves and remaining bun.

Child's Version: Using a heart-shaped cookie cutter, cut the ham and the top and bottom buns. Do not toast. Substitute yellow mustard or ketchup for Dijon mustard, and omit lettuce. Spread each bun with your condiment choice, and top with cream cheese pickle relish mixture.

Makes 4 servings.

Approximate nutrition analysis per serving

Adult: calories, 170; protein, 8 g; carbohydrates, 25 g; fat, 4 g; fiber, 0 g; sodium, 640 mg; cholesterol, 10 mg; folic acid, 11.65 mcg
Child: calories, 170; protein, 8 g; carbohydrates, 24 g; fat, 4 g; fiber, 0 g; sodium, 580 mg; cholesterol, 10 mg; folic acid, 11.65 mcg

NUTRITION Q&A

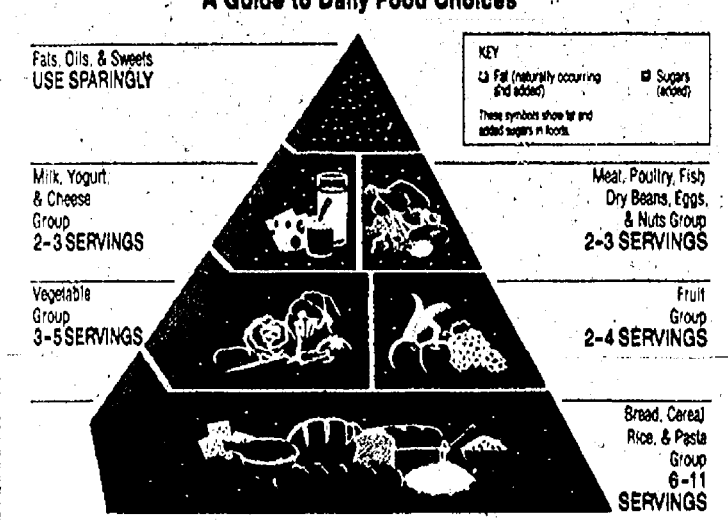
Q: How many servings of bread and other grain foods should I eat each day?
A: The USDA's Food Guide Pyramid recommends at least three servings of whole grains, for a total of six servings, according to the USDA's Food Guide Pyramid. One slice of bread equals one serving. To ensure that makes it easy to meet your grain food requirements.

Q: Should I be eating whole or enriched grain foods?
A: Both are made from wheat flour and add essential nutrients to your diet. Whole wheat is composed of the entire kernel—the bran, germ and endosperm. Enriched bread, an enriched grain food, is milled from only the endosperm, with whole wheat and white bread enriched with complex carbohydrates and low in fat. While both contain the four main B vitamins—niacin, thiamin, folic acid, and riboflavin—whole wheat contains about four times as much niacin as enriched white, and

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Q: Should I be eating whole or enriched grain foods?
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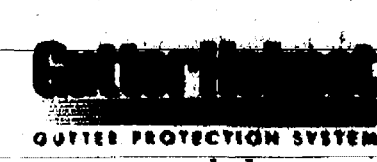
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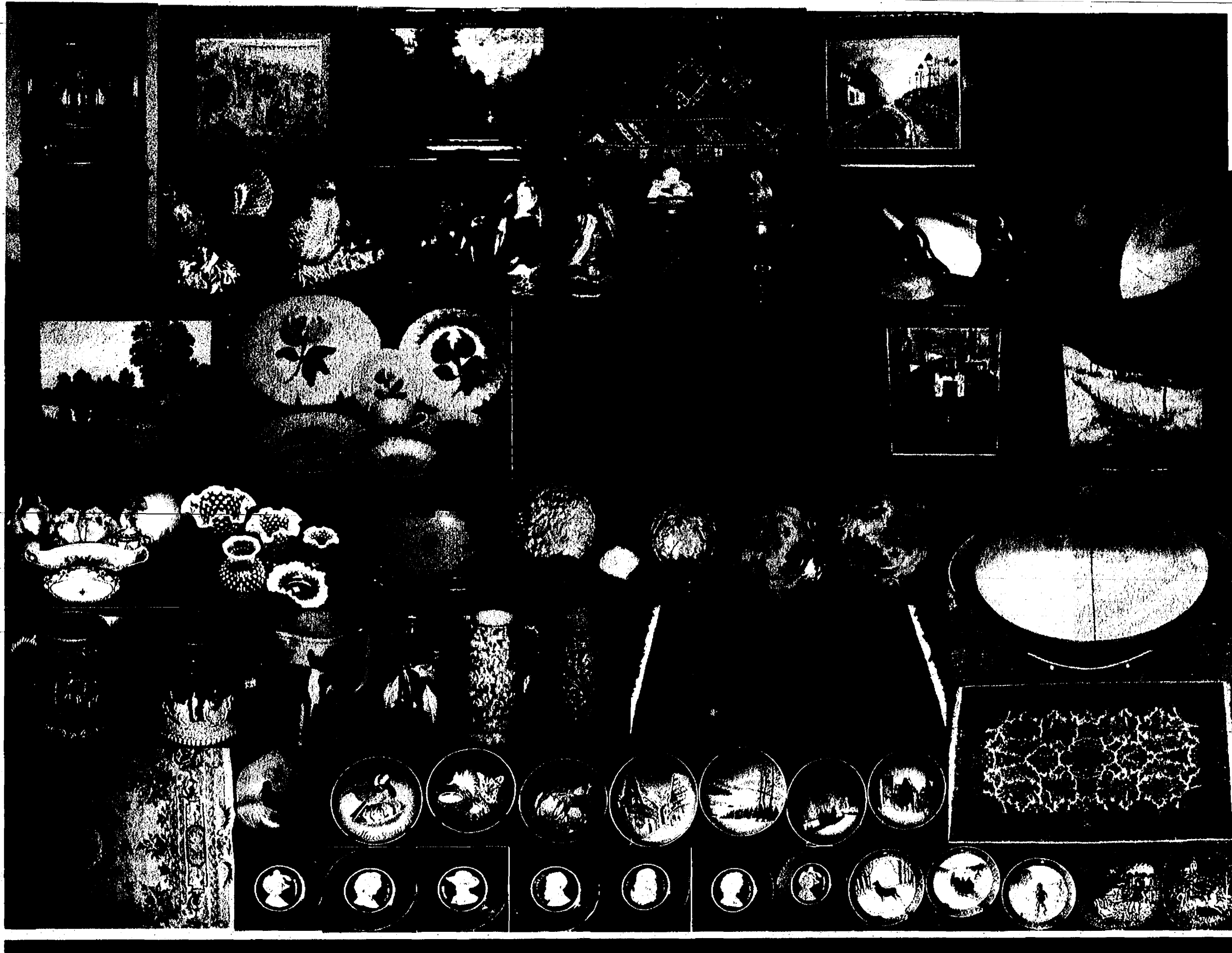
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Answers In Today's Classifieds

DEATHS



NORMA R. MURPHY

Michigan Center
Norma R. Murphy, 83, of Michigan Center died March 22, 2003, in her home. She was born July 7, 1919, in Flint the daughter of Earl George and Mona (Baker) Smith. She lived in Jackson since 1994, coming from the Flint area.

Mrs. Murphy was a former member of St. Pius Catholic Church and worked at the J.C. Penney department store, both located in Flint.

On Oct. 15, 1938, she married Raymond "Jack" Murphy in Grand Blanc and he survives. Other survivors include her daughter-in-law, Juanita Murphy of Chelsea; one sister, Patricia Baurley of Florida; one brother, Ronald Smith of California; two grandchildren, Matthew (Leann) Murphy of Chelsea and Ceia Murphy of Saline; four great-grandchildren, Amanda, Haylay, Nicholas, and Maxwell; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Robert M. Murphy, in 1998; a grandson, Robert R. Murphy in 1983; four sisters, Mildred Allen, Eileen Allen, Alice Almond, Phyllis Coan; and a brother, Robert A. Smith.

A funeral was held Tuesday at Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea. The Rev. Fortunato Turati officiated. Burial followed at Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea.

Memorial contributions may be made to Great Lakes Hospice or the Kidney Foundation.

LAWRENCE HANNEWALD

Stockbridge
Lawrence Hannewald, 88, of Stockbridge died March 19, 2003, at Chelsea Community Hospital. He was born Jan. 15, 1915, in Waterloo Township the son of Ezra and Ada (Huttenlocher) Hannewald.

Mr. Hannewald had lived in the area since 1979 after moving from Ypsilanti, where he lived from 1965 to 1979. He previously lived in Pontiac, from 1932 to 1965.

Mr. Hannewald was a charter member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Pinckney and a longtime, active member in the Walther League.

He also was a member of St. Jacob Evangelical Lutheran Church in Waterloo and a volunteer for the American Red Cross, donating nearly 10 gallons of blood during his lifetime.

Mr. Hannewald is survived by his sister-in-law, Helen Hannewald of Stockbridge, as well as many nieces and nephews, Carol (Richard) Ott of Irving, Texas, Robert Hannewald of Stockbridge, Norman (Penny) Hannewald of Plymouth, Ruth (Delwin) Mund of Blaine, Minn., Donald (Robin) Hannewald of Stockbridge, Michael (Janet) Hannewald of White Lake, Kathy (Dennis) Symes of Highland and Karen (Michael) Genson of White Lake.

He is also survived by many grandchildren, grandnephews, great-grand nieces and grandnephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Carl and Martin Hannewald.

A funeral was held Monday at St. Jacob Evangelical Lutheran Church. The Rev. Paul Huebner officiated. Burial followed at St. Jacob Cemetery in Waterloo Township. The family received friends at Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home in Stockbridge.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jacob Lutheran Church, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church or Stockbridge Area Ambulance.

JULIA PASTOR

Chelsea
Julia Pastor, 89, of Chelsea died March 21, 2003, at Cedar Knoll Care Facility in Grass Lake. She was born Aug. 9, 1913, in Budapest, Hungary, the daughter of Frank and Maria (Helgent) Hajdu.

Mrs. Pastor was a member of St.

Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea, as well as the Limanier's Women's Group. She enjoyed playing cards and gardening.

She married Dave Pastor May 12, 1934, in Detroit.

Surviving are their two children, David J. (Elaine) Pastor of Chelsea and Patricia (E. Joseph) Heydlauff-Brenner of Nixa, Mo.; five grandchildren, Cindy (Michael) Hahn, Sally (Wendell) Jackson, Todd (Dawn) Miller, Lorna (Greg) West and Benjamin Heydlauff; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, brothers and sisters.

A funeral was held Tuesday at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea. The Rev. William Turner officiated. Burial followed at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Chelsea. The family received friends at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Catholic Church or Cedar Knoll Nursing Home.

ANNETTE WURSTER-HIEBER

Manchester
Annette M. Wurster-Hieber, 32, of Manchester died March 23, 2003, at her home after a short battle with cancer. She was born Jan. 28, 1971, in Jackson the daughter of Ray E. and Vicky S. (Roberts) Wurster.

Mrs. Wurster-Hieber graduated from Manchester High School in 1989 and earned a bachelor's degree in business from Eastern Michigan University in 1993.

She enjoyed making crafts, gardening and spending time with her family and friends. She was a member of the Manchester United Methodist Church.

Surviving are her husband, Michael; her 2-year-old son, Brady M. Hieber; her parents, Ray and Vicky Wurster of Manchester; one sister, Tricia A. (Joshua E. Harju) Wurster of Tecumseh; a grandmother, Myrtle Roberts of Manchester; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Wurster-Hieber was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Edward and Roena Wurster, and one aunt, Sally J. (Roberts) Ritter.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. April 12 at the First United Methodist Church in Chelsea. The Revs. Richard Dake and Jennifer Whalley-Williams will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be to the Brady Hieber Education Fund. Arrangements were made by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, 901 N. Main St., in Chelsea.

NICHOLAS JOSEPH FILECCIA

Dexter
Nicholas Joseph Fileccia, 81, of Dexter died peacefully March 21, 2003, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born Oct. 18, 1921, in Flint the son of Frank and Vita (Caruso) Fileccia. He married Antoinette Millefoglie Jan. 25, 1947, and she survives.

Mr. Fileccia was a longtime Ann Arbor resident and founding partner with his brother, Angelo, in Fileccia Brothers Shoes in Ann Arbor. They sold the business and retired in 1983. Both moved to Lake Isabella, Calif., shortly thereafter. Mr. Fileccia later moved to Charlotte N.C., but moved back to Michigan in 2000, settling in Dexter.

Mr. Fileccia was a veteran of World War II, serving in the 5th Army in the European Theatre and North Africa.

He had a great sense of humor and was a stubborn fighter right up to the very end. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather, as well as a true friend who enriched the lives of everyone who knew him.

"Nick, we know you are with the

loved ones who passed before you (we hope there is a nice horse race track in Heaven), but you are missed by those left behind on Earth," his family said.

In addition to his loving and devoted wife, Antoinette, and his brother, Angelo (Josephine) Fileccia of Whitmore Lake, Mr. Fileccia is survived by his daughters, Vita (Harley) Rider of Dexter and Nora Fileccia of North Carolina; his sons, Frank Fileccia of Dexter and Larry (Kim) Fileccia of Las Vegas; his granddaughters, Jodie Koons of Charlotte, N.C., Kim Flory of Charlotte, N.C., and Nichole (Shon) Williams of Edwards, Calif.; his grandson, Ted Rider of Dexter; his step-granddaughter, Tara Reid of Las Vegas; as well as cousins, nieces and nephews too numerous to mention.

Mr. Fileccia was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Sam Misuraca, Jimmy Fileccia and Joseph Fileccia; and his sisters, Angelina Jackson, Virginia Boner, and Rosalie DeLorenzo.

The family received visitors Sunday and Monday at Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel in Dexter. Mass of the Christian Burial was held Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church. The Rev. Brendan Walsh officiated. Entombment followed at Washtenong Memorial Park.

DOUGLAS VAN AKEN

Dexter
Douglas Addison Van Aken, 86, died March 23, 2003, after a long struggle with dementia. He was born March 30, 1916, in Holland, Ohio, the son of Addison and Maude (Gam) Van Aken. His parents preceded him in death.

Mr. Van Aken had been a resident of the Dexter area since 1922. He married Doris Martha Kern Sept. 10, 1938. They had 64 years of marriage and a loving relationship. He was an active member of St. Andrew's United Church of Christ.

Mr. Van Aken enjoyed numerous hobbies such as canoeing, hunting, fishing, traveling and camping with his wife, Doris, and family. He also enjoyed painting, carving animals out of wood, building and restoring furniture.

He made a career as a pattern maker for various companies and retired from R & B Tool Co.

Mr. Van Aken is survived by his wife, Doris; sons, Gary D. of Santa Maria, Calif., Timothy E. (Julia) of Grass Lake and Ronald E. of Gainesville, Fla.; a daughter, Miriam K. (Paul) White of Ann Arbor; six grandchildren, Nicole, Justin, Jessica, Randi, Christopher and Alexander; and two brothers, Charles Van Aken of Dexter and Richard Van Aken of Monroe.

One sister, Fern Van Aken, preceded him in death.

Visitation was yesterday at the Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel in Dexter. A funeral will be held 1 p.m. today at the funeral home. Deacon Paul Tomshany will officiate.

Memorials may be made to St. Andrews United Church of Christ, 7610 Ann Arbor St., Dexter, MI 48130, or a charity of one's choice.

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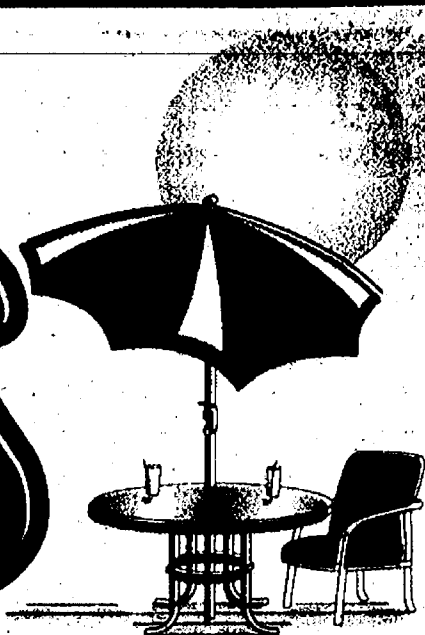
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