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WATERLOO TOWNSHIP

Fire decision upsets residents

Township trustee scrambles to line up fire, medical responders

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Waterloo Township resident Dave Weigel is furious at the recent decision by township officials to withdraw from the Chelsea Area Fire Authority.

"Ron Beyer (Waterloo Township Board trustee) has made a decision

that could cripple the township," Weigel said last week.

Beyer, Waterloo Township's representative on CAFA, handed in official notice March 25 that the township was withdrawing from the Fire Authority after the Fire Board decided to negotiate for three acres of property on Old US-12 in Chelsea for a new main station.

The township had given notice

March 3 that if the Fire Authority took action that resulted in "indebtedness," the township would withdraw before that action was taken.

Township officials were concerned, Beyer said Tuesday, that under CAFA bylaws, if an individual municipality withdraws, buildings and property within its boundary belong to that municipality free

and clear after debt is paid.

"Ownership of property was never resolved," Beyer said. "We wanted equity, not to be throwing money away."

The Old US-12 property deal fell through April 5 because of title deed restrictions, but CAFA is looking at other options, Chairwoman Maryann Noah said last week.

The city of Chelsea, and Lyndon,

Sylvan and Lima townships remain in the Fire Authority, which was formed in 1999 to provide joint fire protection.

Beyer said township officials were "shocked" by a March 30 letter from CAFA command officers providing only a further 30 days of coverage to the township. Fire suppression and medical first

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CHELSEA

Funeral services for librarian set tomorrow

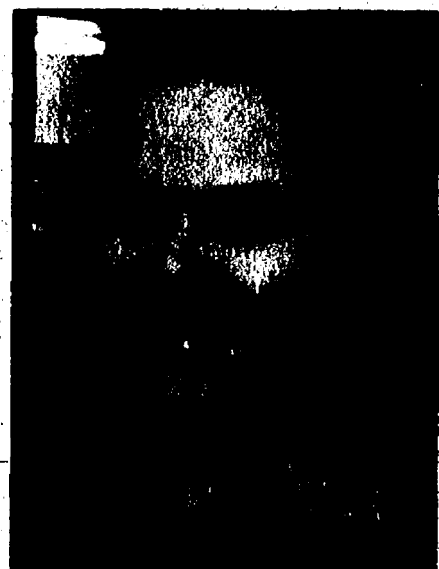
Jackson resident
killed in April 8
car crash on I-94

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Christy Gutekunst only worked at the Chelsea District Library for a few months, but has left a legacy of memories.

The 25-year-old Jackson native was killed April 8 in a four-vehicle crash in a construction zone on eastbound Interstate 94 near Clear Lake Road as she headed from her home in Jackson to her job at the library.

Visitation is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 today at J.L. Watson Funeral Home in Jackson. A funeral will be held 11 a.m. tomorrow at Skiff Lake Bible Church in Jackson.



Christy Gutekunst

The Chelsea District Library will be closed all tomorrow as staff honor and remember their colleague.

"It's a great shock to us all," said Shawn Personke, the library's development coordinator. "She had quickly become a vital and enthusiastic part of our library team."

Gutekunst was a 1996 graduate of Jackson Baptist High School and earned a bachelor's degree in English in 2000 from Michigan State University.

"She loved Michigan State and was a Spartan to the core," said her mother, Sharon.

Gutekunst almost went into law. But, while working as a paralegal for an East Lansing firm, found that research — and helping others find information — was her passion.

She followed in her mother's footsteps by earning a master's degree in library and information science from Wayne State University in 2002.

Gutekunst worked as a reference librarian at the Jackson District Library and started as a part-time reference librarian at the Chelsea District Library last August.

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— Double Trouble —



Twins Simon and Mark Hood of Chelsea enjoyed Saturday's egg hunt sponsored by the Kiwanis Club and Chelsea High School Key Club. The event was held at the Chelsea Retirement Community.

Photo by Rita Fischer

CHELSEA

Co-op preschool looks for new digs

Board thinks school
district's lease rates
too high

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

The Chelsea Children's Co-operative Preschool is suffering from sticker shock.

After six years at the Washington Street Education Center, the school

may move to new digs because of a rent increase.

Co-op President Deb Hubbard said Friday that in 1998 the licensed, nonprofit preschool was the first tenant at the Washington Street Education Center, which had served prior as a high school, and a lease rate was mutually agreed upon. The co-op paid \$5,500 for the 1998-99 year.

"Shortly after that, the school board set a policy that set lease rates for Washington Street

Education Center tenants much higher than the co-op was paying," Hubbard said. "We were able, through negotiations for the next four years, to keep the co-op's lease at a rate our program could afford, yet rising at a higher percentage than the other tenants in the building."

From 1999 to 2003, the preschool paid annual lease rates of \$8,000, \$8,500, \$8,825 and \$7,168, respectively. In the 2003-04 school year, the school paid \$7,524 for nine months.

"This year, however, the policy committee of the school board has determined these compromise rates are no longer appropriate, and the time has come for the co-op to pay the same lease rates as the rest of the tenants," Hubbard said.

Hubbard said that the preschool, as a nonprofit, low-tuition program, is unable to pay the lease rates proposed by the district for the 1,600-square feet of space. The options are a one-year extension at \$18,081, with no opportunity to extend, or a

three-year lease at \$13,672 for the 2004-05 year, \$19,819 in 2005-06 and \$25,985 in 2006-07.

Community Education Director Jeff Rohrer said Monday that lease rates at the center generally run at about \$14 per square foot, and include utilities, as well as use and maintenance of common areas and outdoor areas.

"The original one-year Chelsea Children's Co-operative Preschool lease was issued before a board

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BRIEFLY...

■ **Chelsea resident honored:** Pierre Gonyon of Chelsea has received an award from the Ecology Center in Ann Arbor for his outstanding environmental work.

Gonyon has implemented precedent-setting environmental health and safety programs at the St. Joseph Mercy Health System and also has

been a leader in instituting environmentally preferable practices within the Michigan Hospital Association.

■ **Two community forums set:** Two community forums, to provide information about the proposed renovation and expansion of the McKune Memorial Library, have been set for 7 p.m. April 21 and 11 a.m. April 24 in the meeting room at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St.,

in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-8732.

■ **Foundation seeking grant applications:** The Chelsea Community Foundation is seeking applications from area nonprofit agencies that are developing projects to improve the quality of life for Chelsea residents.

The application deadline is June 1. Awards will be announced in mid-September. Call 475-9891 or go online at www.cfsem.org/grants.

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CHELSEA

Group wants city to own Pathway

Pathway Friends would manage sculpture site

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Several community members have signed a letter to the Chelsea Center for the Arts suggesting that the Pathway to Renewal sculpture in Timber Town Park be turned over to the city of Chelsea and managed by a group called Pathway Friends.

The Pathway is a spiral mosaic sculpture designed by local artist Lorin Kummer who led artists and community volunteers in its creation last spring and summer.

The Pathway, sponsored by the Chelsea Center for the Arts and funded by grants, was intended as a healing project for a community that has seen several tragic deaths in recent years.

The project broke ground last May and the dedication ceremony in September drew a crowd of close to 500.

"While completing some follow-up tasks for the project, a few well-intended people were either a little too closely attached or somewhat removed. Subsequently,

the final phase of the project arrived at a crossroad," Pathway volunteer Julie Sverid said Monday.

One issue centers on a Web site. Kummer's husband, Joe, purchased the domain name www.pathwaytorenewal.com in January and hired stained-glass artist Marsi Darwin to design the Web site.

Darwin, who worked on the Pathway sculpture with her husband, Bill, said the Web site is a "tribute to those it honors and those who gave their time and hearts to the Pathway, including CCA."

However, the CCA board of trustees has asked the Kummers to stop activities that imply or state ownership, including Internet-based activities.

Sverid, together with Gloria Mitchell, was a driving force behind Timber Town, which was turned over to Chelsea the day it was completed.

"We're asking for the same kind of thing to happen here," Sverid said.

Possible city ownership of the Pathway, managed by Pathway Friends in collaboration with the arts center, seemed like a natural progression, she said.

"We're suggesting that the CCA can feel confident that we would like to manage this

beautiful community gift from the artist, with the greatest respect for all those who gave so compassionately."

The Pathway is unique in that it's the first community-involved arts project that included both existing art supporters along with many previous non-art supporters, Sverid said.

"People connected to the artist's ability to express her creativity, compassionate spirit filled with humanitarian respect for many experiences we share," she said.

"The CCA held an important business, administrative focus and both elements were critical to a successful completion."

Sverid said the project brought out the ability to feel joy and pain through connection with others in a meaningful way.

"The differences of opinion and hurt feelings aren't a bad thing," she said. "They are represented in the project."

"We all want to belong in this community. Just like nature, the arts unify us all because they speak to the soul, are about creating and add beauty to life."

CCA Director Ginger Sissom declined to comment Monday. The arts center board was to meet yesterday.



A group of local residents is asking the Chelsea Center for the Arts to give ownership of the spiral mosaic Pathway to Renewal sculpture in Timber Town Park to the city of Chelsea.

Pathway wins award

The Pathway to Renewal mosaic sculpture in Timber Town Park won a Spectrum Award honoring outstanding achievements in the use of ceramic tile at the Coverings trade expo held March 23 through 26 in Orlando.

The global trade event focuses on ceramic tile, stone and related products.

The award, which will give the Pathway's sponsor, the Chelsea Center for the Arts \$1,000, was a special recognition for community service.

Artists Janice Stevens, Botsford, and Lorin Kummer entered the project earlier this year.

"The judges were so moved by the entry that they created the Community Humanitarian award category and the Pathway to Renewal mosaic was the first recipient," Kummer said.

The duo was on hand to receive the award on behalf of the Chelsea community. Kummer served as artist-in-residence at the arts center last year and created the spiral mosaic sculpture. Botsford was among several artists who joined her and a few hundred community volunteers on the project.

"Five thousand people viewed photos of the

Pathway to Renewal on several 12-foot television screens as Janice and I accepted the award for the Chelsea community," Kummer said Friday.

Judge commented that the sculpture is a "moving tribute and community effort to a worthwhile cause" and that it "instills the spirit of collaboration in all of us."

The Coverings expo was attended by about 26,000 people from around the world. Steve Forbes of Forbes magazine was the keynote speaker.

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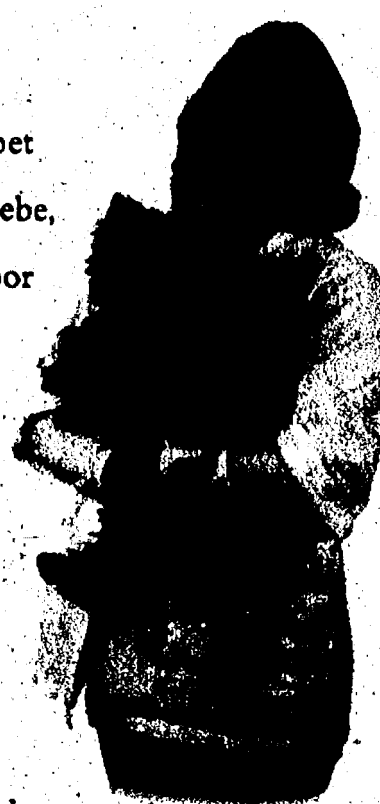
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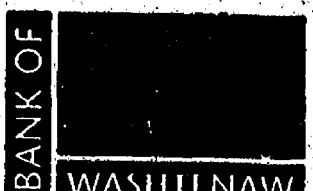


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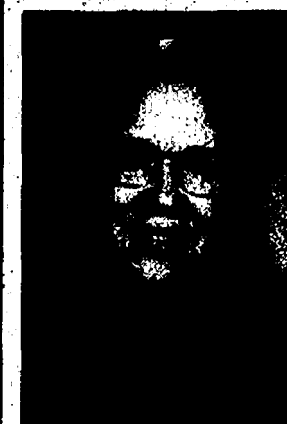
An article in the April 1 edition should have said that Amelia Klock was among seven finalists from Interlochen Arts Academy to attend ARTS week. She was home-schooled in her freshman year of high school, and fifth and sixth grade. Her sister, Alice, also attends Interlochen. Klock created

and designed a chapbook.

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CHELSEA

City needs planning commissioner

Residents interested in the post may send a resume to city hall

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

Chelsea is still looking for someone to help shape its growth.

A vacancy remains on the nine-member Chelsea Planning Commission. It was created when four-year Commissioner Kim Soule tendered her resignation letter March 18.

In the letter, Soule, who unsuccessfully ran March 8 for a spot on the Chelsea City Council, cited philosophical differences with other planning commissioners regarding preservation and development in the city.

Planning Commission seats filled by Peter Feeney, Walter Bolt and Richard Haugen will expire in June. The term Soule vacated will expire in June 2005. All seats have three-year terms.

Chelsea residents interested in the position may send a resume and cover letter to Chelsea Planning and Zoning Administrator Jim Drolett at Chelsea City Hall, 305 S. Main St.

Chelsea Mayor Ann Feeney will appoint Planning Commission candidates. Appointments are approved by the City Council.

In past practice, nominees have undergone joint interviews by members of the City Council and Planning Commission. With Chelsea's new city status, that process could change, Drolett said Friday.

Under old village rules,

planning commissioners were automatically reappointed after expiration of their first terms. They would reapply and be interviewed for subsequent terms. City status also could change that procedure, Drolett said.

"(Feeney) has to determine the way she wants to do it," he said.

Drolett said only one person has applied for the vacancy, so far. Drolett said he hopes the position is filled as soon as possible.

"It's always nice to have an odd number of people on the Planning Commission," Drolett said. "It would be nice to have someone who is familiar with community planning and zoning issues, who comes here with a willingness to serve and an open mind."

Feeney said while planning experience would be

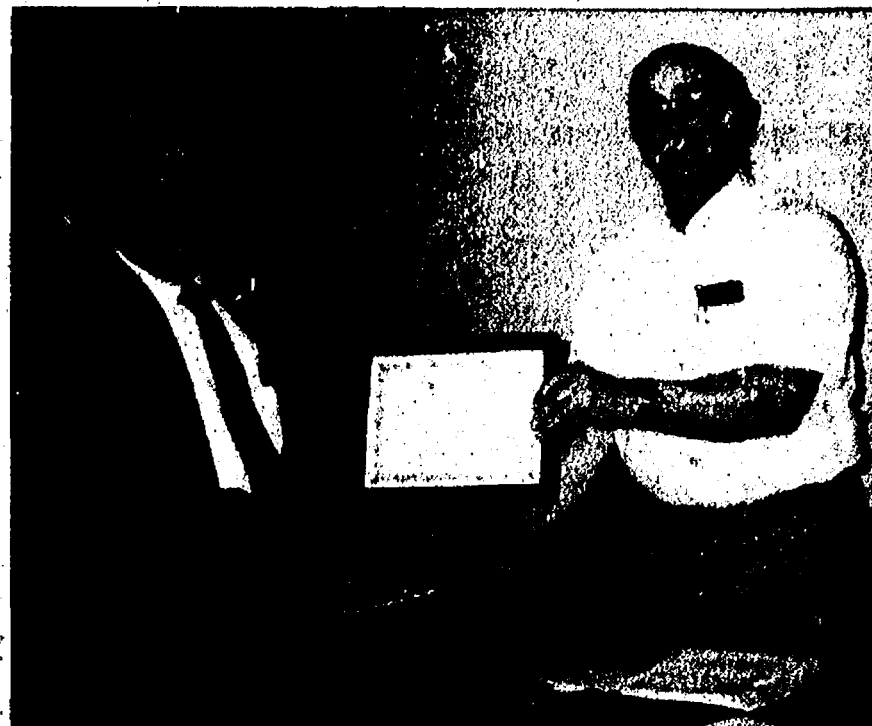
helpful for a candidate, the Michigan Municipal League could provide workshop training for an inexperienced appointee. Applicants should have an interest in the future of the city, she said.

The mayor said she also is looking for an objective applicant, making note of the ongoing struggle between conservationism and development that planning commissioners face.

"You have to be able to balance all the factors when looking at the issues," Feeney said. "You just can't be a static community, or else you end up a dead community and property values go down. You have to be willing to grow, but grow on your own terms."

The Planning Commission is currently working on establishing a manual of standards for developers to adhere to. The city's master plan also will be revisited, said Feeney, so that it will anticipate future development instead of reacting to it.

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Charles Burgess Recognized

Sylvan Township Supervisor Earl Heller (right) presented a certificate of achievement April 6 to former Supervisor Charles Burgess for his years of public service to the township. Burgess had to step down as supervisor when Chelsea became a city March 8 because his residence is within the boundaries of the new city and no longer in the township.

CHELSEA

Three vie for school board

Trustee Scott Broshar decides not to seek third term in office

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Incumbent Susan Moore, and newcomers Jill de Meijer and Steve Olsen are chasing the two four-year terms that are up for grabs in the June 14 Chelsea Board of Education election.

Scott Broshar, who served for eight years, including five as president, has decided not to seek re-election.

"I've enjoyed meeting lots of different people and learning a lot about the whole educational process," Broshar said Tuesday. "I'll try to stay involved, but not as a member of the board."

Moore, who has two children in the schools, is coming to the end of her first term.

"I've got some experience now and feel I can make an

impact," she said Tuesday. "After four years, you know what's going on. It has been a great learning experience."

Olsen and de Meijer may be newcomers to the election but are no strangers to Chelsea school board meetings. They regularly attend meetings and often address trustees on issues facing the schools.

"I'm in it for the kids — whatever we can do to make sure they have a good quality education," de Meijer said.

She and her husband, Harry, have two children in the schools.

"I'm running because there are so many things going on statewide and so much happening on a daily basis," she said. "It's very challenging, especially in light of state finances."

"Chelsea has wonderful schools and we need to make sure they stay that way."

Olsen, an attorney, said he first became interested in school politics when his son started school.

"I would like to be involved in the movement forward for our schools," he said Tuesday.

"I believe that the Chelsea School District, as a community, needs to do everything it possibly can to provide a stimulating learning process for our children."

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10 years ago...
April 1994
 Chelsea students Stephanie Wesowski, Erin Schiller and Cindy Grau were named winners in the senior and youth clothing divisions at the annual 4-H Spring Achievement Program March 26 at Saline High School.

Four candidates will run for two empty seats in this year's Chelsea Board of Education election. They are Jane Diesing, Dayle Wright, David McWhorter and Rodney Craig.

25 years ago...
April 1979
 Thirteen Chelsea residents were honored at the 31st annual Honors Convocation at Eastern Michigan

University April 4. Among the honorees were Dennis Cosgrove, Thomas Depping, Bradley Glazier, Cathy Hamilton, Deanna Johnson, Stephen Lewis, Robin Melton, Don Morrison, Kyle Parker, Julie Prohaska, Jaye Saarinen, Genevieve Werdeho and Anne Williams.

South Elementary School will sponsor a Fun Fair from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 21. All proceeds will go to the school.

50 years ago...
April 1954
 Kathleen Widmayer and Beverly Smith have been named the salutatorian and valedictorian, respectively, for the Chelsea High School Class of 1954.

Ludington City Assessor E.A. Miller will be switching places with Village President Maxwell G. Sweet for Mayor's Day May 5.

100 years ago...
April 1904
 The Chelsea Standard will be moving into the old Chelsea State Bank building next to the Glazier & Stimson store May 1.

An effort is being made to have a rural mail route extended to Cavanaugh Lake during the summer, so those living in summer cottages may continue to receive their mail.
 Compiled by Chelsea District Library volunteer Molly Harris.



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Bunny Hug
 Maggie Caselli, 6, of Dexter Township gives the Easter Bunny a big hug while her mother, Jeanne, looks on. Maggie was enjoying Saturday's egg hunt sponsored by the Kiwanis Club and Chelsea High School Key Club at the Chelsea Retirement Community.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Emily Morgan of Chelsea, a student at Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Ill., is studying abroad in Greece and Turkey for the 2004 spring semester. She is a graduate of Gilmour Academy.

Joyce Lewis of Chelsea has been named to the dean's list at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids.

Kaitlyn Kooyers, the daughter of Kevin and Vickie Kooyers of Dexter Township, has been named to the fall 2003 dean's list at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Va. Kooyers is a dance major at the Shenandoah Conservatory.

Brittney Williams of Chelsea has been named to the dean's list at Siena Heights University in Adrian.

Sara Flintoft of Chelsea has earned a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University.

Gabriel Kuschel of Stockbridge has graduated from Kettering University in

Flint with a degree in mechanical engineering.

Christopher Trudell of Chelsea has earned a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University.

Mark Valchine of Chelsea has earned a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University.

Catherine Baibak of Chelsea has earned a bache-

lor's degree from Grand Valley State University.

Sean Peck of Stockbridge has earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Michigan State University.

Benjamin Topping of Stockbridge has earned a bachelor's degree in agribusiness management from Michigan State University.

Jamie Holzhausen of Chelsea has earned a master's degree in labor relations and human resources from Michigan State University.

Craig Pustejovsky of Chelsea has earned a bachelor's degree in animal science from Michigan State University.

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LIBRARIAN

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Last fall, she was named adult services librarian and was promoted to management as head of adult services two weeks ago.

Chelsea District Library Director Metta Lansdale, who said the staff was devastated, called Gutekunst a "wonderful, young and developing librarian."

"Christy had so many great ideas for service and she was just hitting her stride," Lansdale said. "At 25 years old, she had such energy,

such promise, a wonderful good humor, a light touch and that great Christy smile."

"I, and the entire library staff, will miss her very, very much."

Linda Ballard, head of circulation and human resources, said she was impressed by her young colleague's work ethic.

"A lot was placed on her plate very early on, and she just dug right in without complaint," Ballard said.

"It was a real pleasure to share an office with her,"

Ron Andrews, head of technology services, said that Gutekunst was "going to

make Chelsea wake up and take notice of what the library can do for them."

"I am still amazed at her energy level, her always-positive attitude and her laugh," Andrews said.

"She was exciting and very eager to be the best librarian she could be. She loved her work."

Gutekunst developed the Senior Connections program, and helped organize and promote the January and February community read of the book "Warriors Don't Cry" by Melba Pattillo Beals.

The local group One World, One Family organized the

event, together with the library and Cranesbill Books.

Gutekunst spearheaded several book discussion groups for the event, which led up to the celebration of Black History Month in February.

"This is great loss to our community," One World, One Family founder Janice Orthbring said Friday.

"The OWOF task force couldn't have done the first community read without her."

One World, One Family member Joanne Ladio said Gutekunst's death is a huge

loss for the community.

"I was amazed at her quiet self-assurance, especially as a newcomer to a town and a job, and as the youngest member of our group," Ladio said. "She worked with such pleasant professionalism, and in a very short time she was an integral part of our efforts."

"I can't imagine the community read succeeding as it did without her. I was personally counting on her ideas and enthusiasm this coming year."

Gutekunst's parents have set up a memorial fund in their daughter's name to help

build a collection of books by local authors that she was planning for the McKune Memorial Library.

"She had great ideas for adult services and the new library," said Karen Persello, head of youth services.

"I'm very sorry she will not be here to carry them out."

Persello said she particularly enjoyed talking shop with Gutekunst.

"Even though she was half my age, I looked up to her and valued her advice and opinions. She was funny and smart, and she was just getting started."

"I will really miss her."

CO-OP

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policy was developed for leases," Rohrer said. "Subsequent co-op leases have made accommodations to attempt to provide a lease that was somewhat similar to other leases."

"At this time, we're trying to treat all leases in the same manner."

Hubbard said that although the school district's operations director, Ron Liven-good, was working toward options that would have allowed the preschool to stay, the decision-making rested with the Board of Education's policy committee.

"The co-op was not only disappointed by the final proposal, which showed very little compromise, but that we were never presented with the opportunity to address the policy committee directly as part of the decision-making process," she said.

The preschool, founded in 1972, currently has 63 children enrolled, Hubbard said.

Tuition rates for the 2004-05 school year are \$78 per month for the twice weekly program for 3-year-olds, and \$99 per month for the three-day-a-week program for 4-year-olds.

Parents help in many aspects of school development and operations. Director Janie Brooks has been with the preschool for 16 years.

"Hundreds of families over our 32-year history have chosen the co-op as the first school experience for their children, and our full enrollment this year demonstrates that parents continue to desire a co-op preschool option," Hubbard said.

She said the preschool's location at the Washington Street Education Center seemed a natural fit, especially with other early childhood education programs located there.

"Our goal always has been to partner with the school district to provide preschool education, not to compete with their program, and I think that our actions over

the years led by our director, Janie Brooks, have demonstrated that," Hubbard said.

"So, it was disappointing that what could have been a win-win situation for the co-op, the school district and the community has evolved into a loss for us all."

Hubbard said the co-op is looking for a new long-term home and evaluating options for the short term. The board met Tuesday.

"This year has been a very

strong year for our organization, so we are well positioned to explore new options and continue our mission of providing quality preschool education and connecting families of this community," she said.

Preschool parent Susanne Vanden Bosch said Monday that she was disappointed in what she called the school district's "lack of good faith" in the negotiations.

"I believe if they had wanted

to keep the co-op as renters, they could have easily made it work for both parties," she said.

The co-op is also missing from the Community Education brochure. Rohrer said that for many years the district has allowed different community programs to advertise.

"As we struggled with this year's budget, we decided to only advertise programs that we thought did not compete

with our own offerings," he said. "To be consistent with this decision, we did not advertise any preschool programs other than our own."

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April 27-6:00 PM - 4th Grade Music Program Group A
April 27-6:00 PM - 4th Grade Music Program Group B
April 30-5:30 PM - North Creek Science Night LOOKING AHEAD
May 1-High School Prom
May 7 & 8-7:30 PM - WSSC Cabaret-High School
May 10-7:00 PM - Board of Education Meeting - Pierre Lake
May 11-6:00 PM - Kindergarten Music Program Group A
May 11-7:00 PM - Kindergarten Music Program Group B
May 13-6:00 PM - 2nd Grade Music Program Group A
May 13-7:00 PM - 2nd Grade Music Program Group B
May 18-7:30 PM - 7-8 Band, Orchestra and Choir Concert-High School
May 20-7:30 PM - Band and Orchestra Concert-High School
May 24-7:30 PM - Choir Concert-High School
May 24-7:00 PM - Board of Education Meeting-Boardroom
May 27-7:30 PM - 5-6 Band Concert
May 31 - No School for Students and Teachers - Memorial Day
June 4-7:00 PM - Class Night
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Easter Loot

Erin McDonnell, 3, of Dexter Township finds a cache of plastic eggs at Saturday's egg hunt sponsored by the Kiwanis Club and Chelsea High School Key Club. The event was held at the Chelsea Retirement Community.

WASHTENAW COUNTY

New leader takes helm of consortium

Chelsea and Dexter served by technical school based in Saline

By Brian Cox
Heritage Newspapers

Jody Gielinski will serve as the new principal-director of the South and West Washtenaw Consortium, which provides career and technical courses for juniors and seniors in the Chelsea, Dexter, Manchester, Milan and Saline school districts.

Jean Durst, the former director of the program, was recently named the new principal at Saline High School after the announced retirement of former Principal Joe Rossi. Durst

had served as the interim high school principal since last fall, when Rossi began overseeing the completion of the new high school.

At that time, Gielinski stepped in as the interim director of the career and technical consortium.

The Saline school board approved Gielinski's full appointment March 23.

"(Gielinski) understands the job better than many of us because she has experienced it from both the teacher and business owner perspective," Durst said. "I

am impressed by how she has developed both a successful instructional program and a successful business."

Gielinski, who is a licensed cosmetologist, has a bachelor's degree in vocational-industrial education from Eastern Michigan University. She joined the consortium in 1985 as a paraprofessional in the cosmetology program and earned the head teacher position in 1995.

"It's a welcome surprise," Gielinski said. "(When I took the interim position), I thought I would just move

back to my teaching position and Jean would move back here."

Among the courses offered through the consortium are agriscience, automotive technology, cosmetology, marketing, and welding and fabrication.

Gielinski said moving into Saline's new high school will be among the top challenges the consortium faces in the coming year.

STATE

Michigan Week set next month

Encouraging Michigan residents of all ages to take a closer look at what it means to live in the state, Gov. Jennifer Granholm recently declared May 15 through 21 as Michigan Week 2004.

Under this year's theme, "Great Lakes, Great Traditions: This is YOUR Michigan," the governor said the 2004 celebration — also the 50th anniversary of Michigan Week — is a perfect fit for the state's efforts to ensure an unparalleled quality of life in this state.

Granholm, in a press release, also pointed-out that it's an excellent way for residents to embrace and cultivate their own communities' unique flavor and appeal.

"Michigan Week was an innovative idea in 1954, but it has an even greater importance in today's busy, competitive world," Granholm said. "Our state is home to some of the most inviting, cool communities anywhere in the world. It's important to send that message loud and clear to anyone seeking the ideal place to raise a family, start a business or take a vacation."

"We can start by spreading that message in our state, then passing it on to the rest of the country. Putting Michigan's best face forward

makes good economic sense for us all."

Granholm is this year's Michigan Week honorary chair. William Anderson, director of the Michigan Department of History, Arts and Libraries — the lead state agency coordinating Michigan Week efforts — will serve as chair.

"The Michigan Week spark has certainly caught fire in some communities which continue to make the most of this weeklong tribute to all things Michigan," Anderson said. "As cities and villages throughout the state work to reinvent themselves, Michigan Week offers a wonderful framework on which to make that happen."

This year's Michigan Week renews a tradition that had wavered in recent years, the designation of "theme days" that allow for more targeted planning of events and activities. In Granholm's Michigan Week proclamation, the following days were designated:

•Saturday: Main Street Day.

•Sunday: Arts and Culture Day.

•Monday: Government Leadership Day.

•Tuesday: Volunteer Day.

•Wednesday: Resources and Recreation Day.

•Thursday: Heritage Day.

•Friday: Business and Technology Day.

Michigan Week was created in 1954 by the late Don Weeks, who was director of the Michigan Department of Economic Development, as a means to promote the state's many resources and accomplishments.

The statewide festival is held each May and features parades, historical reflections, recognition of volunteer efforts and educational and recreational opportunities.

Anderson said an easy way for residents to spotlight their communities is to nominate someone for a Michigan Week community-achievement or volunteer-leadership award.

The entry deadline is April 23. Award criteria and nomination forms, the governor's proclamation, downloadable logos and posters, celebration ideas, event listings and more are available at the Michigan Week Web site at www.michigan.gov/michigan-week.



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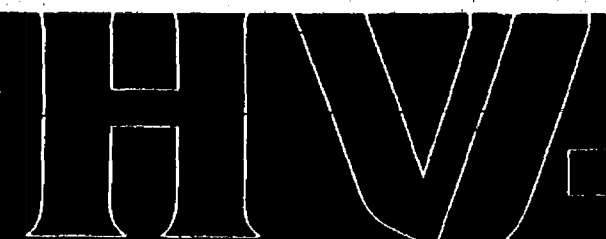
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WASHTENAW COUNTY

West Nile virus talk to be held Monday

A task force of local health officials and others are encouraging residents not to let their guard down when it comes to the West Nile virus.

As a first step in helping local communities, the task force will host a West Nile virus prevention seminar Monday aimed at updating municipal leaders on current West Nile virus information and available mosquito control options, including the use of larvicides.

The officials stress the need for personal protection, the use of insect repellent containing DEET, and the elimination of standing water. The plan is an attempt to minimize the occurrence of West Nile virus in Washtenaw County.

The task force, comprising of individuals from the Washtenaw County Departments of Environmental Health and Public Health, Michigan State University Extension and the University of Michigan, met throughout the winter to review the effectiveness of last year's activities and to plan for 2004.

According to a press release, this year's plan calls for continuing surveillance efforts, including testing mosquitoes and such birds as crows, ravens and blue jays for the virus.

Locations of these dead birds, as well as locations of infected mosquitoes, other birds, horses and humans, will be plotted again on a county map. Using this mapping process, the task force will be able to locate specific areas of West Nile virus activity.

The task force wants to encourage residents to take an active role in West Nile virus prevention. People should call the Washtenaw County West Nile virus hotline at to report the location of dead crows, ravens or blue jays, and to determine if the dead birds need to be submitted for testing.

"The best things people can do to prevent the illness is to take personal protective measures to prevent being bitten by mosquitoes, which includes wearing insect repellent containing DEET when outdoors," Angie Parsons, a member of the team, said in a press release.

"People should look around their property and eliminate standing water around the home, such as water in wheelbarrows, toys and old tires, since mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Water in pet dishes and birdbaths should also be changed at least twice a week to prevent any mosquito larvae from hatching."

Another major component of the plan includes working closely with local municipalities.

"A number of communities performed larviciding last year to kill mosquito larvae before they hatched into biting adults," said Richard Fleece, director of Washtenaw County's Department of Environmental Health. "We hope we they will continue to give priority to those activities again this year."

"The task force can help by providing municipalities with information they can use to make informed decisions about mosquito control activities in their communities."

Mosquitoes become infected with West Nile virus when feeding on infected birds. The virus is transmitted to humans and other animals when infected mosquitoes bite them.

Most people who are infected with West Nile virus experience no symptoms. About 20 percent of people infected experience mild flu-like symptoms, and fewer than 1 percent experience more serious illnesses, such as encephalitis, a swelling of the brain that can lead to serious health complications or death.

Since no vaccine exists to combat West Nile virus infection in humans, the best way to avoid becoming infected is to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes.

Last year in the United States, West Nile virus caused 9,389 human infections and 246 deaths. In Michigan, 19 people were infected and two died. None of the infections or deaths occurred in Washtenaw County.

For more information, contact the Washtenaw County Department of Environmental Health at 222-3800 or the Washtenaw County West Nile virus hotline at 544-6750.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Building Skills

Dylan Mattice and Jacob Owen are busy pounding pegs into a Styrofoam board while teacher Karen Quenneville oversees their efforts as part of the "Just Me" program. Dexter School District, in conjunction with the Washtenaw Intermediate School District, offers the program for children ages 2 1/2 through 3 years old. It's a structured class intended to offer toddlers a variety of experiences in a classroom environment.

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Larceny
A 37-year-old man reported several items were stolen from his pickup truck April 9 while it was parked at his home in the 700 block of Dornoch Drive in Polo Fields subdivision.

The man told police that he noticed the theft the next morning. Police believe the crime was part of a string of larcenies that night at Polo Fields subdivision.

The man reported that numerous items, including a briefcase, laptop computer, digital camera, checkbook, coat and cordless drill, had been taken. The stolen items are valued at more than \$6,000.

A 17-year-old woman reported several items stolen from her car April 9 in the 700 block of Dornoch Drive in Polo Fields subdivision.

The woman said she was visiting a friend and had parked in the driveway. When she returned to her car in the morning, she saw that the driver's side front window had been shattered.

The woman told police that numerous items, including her purse, fleece jacket, two graphing calculators and a handful of CDs, were taken. The items are valued at \$437.

A 55-year-old man reported that several items were stolen from his daughter's car April 9 in the 700 block of

Dornoch Drive in Polo Fields subdivision.

The man said the car was parked in the driveway. The next morning, the woman noticed that her backpack was missing. Her vehicle was left unlocked overnight.

The backpack and a calculator taken are valued at \$175.

Police located a black Phillips head screwdriver on the driver's side seat. It was taken as evidence.

A 17-year-old girl reported several items stolen from her car April 9 in the 600 block of Dornoch Drive in Polo Fields subdivision.

A calculator and approximately 60 CDs were taken. The items are valued at \$700.

An 18-year-old man reported that someone broke into his car while it was parked at Meijer, 5645 Jackson Road, April 6.

The man told police that he parked the vehicle in the parking lot with the window partially rolled down. When he returned a short time later, he noticed that his radar detector, valued at \$120, was missing.

Reckless Driving
An 18-year-old man reported that he had been involved in a road-rage dispute April 9.

The man said he was waiting at a stoplight at the corner of Jackson and Zeeb roads when the light turned

red. When the vehicle in front of him did not move, the man said he tapped his horn twice to let the driver know the light was green.

The vehicle ahead of him, a black Volkswagen, turned right, as did the man. After the victim passed the Volkswagen, the suspect vehicle began following him and threw a plastic soda bottle at the car. The soda reportedly sprayed the interior of the car.

The victim attempted to flee, and told police that he drove through stoplights and red traffic lights while trying to get away.

The man eventually escaped the pursuer and came to the sheriff's substation on Zeeb Road.

Phone Tampering
A 23-year-old man was arrested for telephone tampering March 31 after he ripped a phone cord and jack out of a wall at his apartment.

Deputies responded to the apartment complex after receiving a 911 hang-up call. The man answered the door and told them that nothing was wrong, and that he was home alone with his two children. He told deputies that one of his children had been climbing on a cabinet and broke some glass, and that the child called 911.

Deputies asked if they could look around inside. Upstairs, a 23-year-old woman was standing in a

room where glass was in pieces on the floor, along with a broken beer bottle. The woman said that she had been arguing with her boyfriend over driving habits for about four hours.

The man became upset and threw the 40-ounce bottle into a glass cabinet, she told police. When the woman tried to call 911, the man grabbed the phone cord and ripped it from the wall. One child was sleeping in the backroom and the other two children were playing in a separate room.

The man was arrested and taken to jail. The case has been turned over to the prosecutor for review.

Property Damage
A 54-year-old man reported April 7 that his house in the 700 block of Dornoch Drive in Polo Fields subdivision had been vandalized sometime during the previous two weeks.

Deputies reported black marks and several dents that covered a majority of both garage doors.

The man said he was unsure who could have done the damage.

Damage is estimated at \$1,400.

Drunken Driving
A 52-year-old woman was arrested for drunken driving April 2 on Dexter-Pinckney Road near Fleming Road.

Deputies responded to

reports of a single car crash. The driver was sitting in the car when a deputy approached, and reported that the woman was very deliberate while she searched for the proper paperwork.

A deputy reported a moderate odor of intoxicants coming from the woman, and that her eyes were bloodshot and watery, which are signs of intoxication.

The driver told police that she had three or four glasses of wine. She was arrested and taken to jail. The case has been turned over to the prosecutor for review.

Chelsea

Stolen Vehicle
A manager at the Palmer Ford used car lot reported a

car was stolen April 5 from the parking lot at 1477 S. Main St.

The man told police that the car was parked next to the driveway exit when he left for work a day earlier. He noticed it missing some time the next day.

He also said that he wasn't sure who could have stolen the car. Both sets of keys were in his possession at the time the vehicle was taken.

Police entered the car into a law enforcement database, but there are no leads in the case.

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

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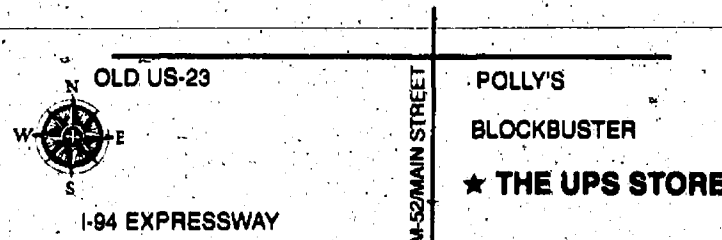
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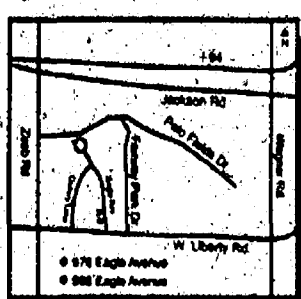
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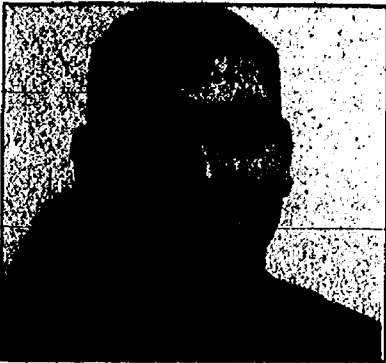
By Rita Fischer

How do you feel about U.S. troops still being in Iraq?



"I think that they have done their job. Send them home and spend that money on our own country."

Jill de Meljer
Lyndon Township



"I think that President Bush knows what he is doing. But it would be good to have them home."

Graham Nichols
Scio Township



"I think that our president is doing a good job helping our nation and others. He has to do what he has to do."

Rob Beauchamp
Webster Township



"I believe that we should keep them peaceful a little longer. Let them set up their own government. I don't believe that we have made the best choices. Send our soldiers home."

Laura Raen
Scio Township



"I don't think we should be there now. We are stuck there. We need to make sure that they have a government in place before we leave them in chaos."

Jerry Boyd
Sylvan Township



"I think that it is the proper way to represent our country. We are showing we care. We need to finish what we started."

Gail Broner
Grass Lake

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Township residents should get involved

Well, the passion was voiced again in Lima Township Hall. When the topics are hot, it's good to see a crowd of neighbors. But one gentleman at the end of the public comment-time may have said it best: "Where are all these people every month when the Township Board meetings are being held?"

Important issues about growth and development are brought to the Lima Township offices every week. Do we really feel confident that five people out of our 1,900-plus homeowners should face these tough decisions without the support of every one of us?

I know and respect these elected officials in Lima Township. They are stable and well-meaning folks. Taking the heat for decisions cannot be easy when folks don't understand how they have reached their opinions or what complications are involved.

We see only our shortsighted view, which may be just out our back door. Whether we get mobile homes or conventional homes, in a subdivision at Parker and Jackson roads, the whole project is too dense for that area. But we must put this behind us and move forward to try and prevent the next huge building project being thrust upon us by an outside developer.

How can we have control over our rural destiny when an attorney tells us families can't afford to live in Ann Arbor, and need to commute from new homes in Lima Township?

Pulte, the mega-home builder, actually targets us for acquisition. Do we lose that beautiful wide-open agricultural landscape you view, when you cross that Parker Road line and drive west? Forever?

If we have half a chance, it is by master planning aggressively. And by being at these meetings on a continual basis, to know what our board is facing, and to know each little battle that must be confronted, before they come to their conclusions.

To know the financial constraints is to be depressed. Do we want to pay higher taxes to have our land look the way we want? If we don't like the professional planners and attorneys that advise our board, perhaps we can implement changes. But we have to be there.

The Lima Township Planning Commission must update the master plan, and will be holding workshops to work toward this goal. Public input is wanted. Call Elsie Heller at the Lima Hall to get the schedule.

Let's not let one issue define our happiness in Lima Township. Remember, the "we versus they" should not be "you versus your township board." They are us.

Arly Spink
Lima Township

Temporary library too small for needs

It's about 3:45 p.m. and I'm sitting here at the library on Washington Street.

I've just finished my homework. Math was easy today, and now I'm waiting to get on the computers. I've got one at home, but my parents won't get me a good one with a high-speed Internet access.

It's fun here, a bit noisy and crowded, especially when too many little kids or dancers come in, but a nicer place than my empty house at this time of the day to do this boring homework.

I got hooked, you might say, into this library thing. I was too lazy to walk home with my violin and my 35-pound book bag, so coming here and waiting for my dad on his way home from work shortened

the walk, especially in the cold winter months.

So, I did my homework, talked with a lot of friends, even studied together, and sometimes used the computer for biology reports or to type English papers and sometimes even got a book to read. Imagine that.

But now that the bond issue is coming up, I'm taking a careful look around my favorite hangout. Sure it's adequate, but really not. We really don't have enough tables and chairs. Two of our big tables are now in the little kids section, which crowds them out and is noisy for us serious high-schoolers. And there is no place for an adult to get away from any of us delightful students.

The computers are nice, but some days I have to wait 30 minutes to get on. Some days I can't even get on, the line is so long.

And the books. Mom at home says she's read every mystery in the collection and she's only been living here in Chelsea 24 years, and dad laughs at the nonfiction — he bought a card to the Ann Arbor library.

OK, so what if the bond passes and we get a new place with more space and books. The downtown site is cute, but that ends my ride home deal. So, just maybe the new library isn't a perfect idea. But, maybe the school could have a bus drop to McKune House? That would work.

But, really, I'm not worried. You see, by the time it is built, I'll have my driver's license and even if my stingy parents won't buy me a new computer, I'm sure I'll be getting a used car. So, I guess I'm all for this new library because of a lot of reasons, but maybe mainly because it helps me get good grades.

Rachel Kaminsky
Chelsea

New library to be source of pride

I am pleased to write on behalf of the project to expand the McKune House, not just as the new mayor, but as a private citizen who is excited at the prospect of having a "new" library in the heart of our downtown.

A library says a lot about a community. If it is up to date, has a great collection, offers good programs and services, is comfortable and inviting, it says that Chelsea is a forward-thinking community.

It says we value education and lifelong learning. It says we cherish our children because we want to provide the best educational and recreational opportunities for them. It says that all that a fine library offers is valuable to the entire community.

A refurbished and expanded McKune House is important for another reason. It is part of our downtown landscape, a cherished reminder of our history, that also open doors to our future.

The new library will be a focal point downtown, a destination that will attract more community members and visitors alike.

Not only will the new library enhance the quality of life of the community as a whole, but it also will encourage new families and new businesses to locate to Chelsea. It will make our downtown, the very heart of the Chelsea area, even more welcoming.

I look forward to the day, which will mark the culmination of the dream of many community members, when we dedicate the new McKune Memorial Library. It will be a great day for the library and for the greater Chelsea community.

Ann Feeney
Chelsea

Story on student contained errors

My name is Amelia Klock and I was featured in the April 1st edition of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader. Though I feel extremely honored to be in the newspaper, there were quite a few mistakes in the article that I wish to correct.

I was one of seven finalists from Interlochen selected to attend ARTS week, not from the country. There were 125 finalists nationally (Interlochen had the highest number this year) out of 6,500 who applied. Out of these 125, 50 are chosen as nominees for Presidential Scholar in the Arts. I was one of these 50 and recently learned that I have advanced to the semi-finalist round.

I only attended Chelsea schools for a year and a half. I was home-schooled my freshman year of high school, and fifth and sixth grade. I would like for my mom to take a lot of the credit for this little success for raising me so well.

It is my sister, Alice (not a brother, Alex), who attends Interlochen Arts Academy. She is a lovely freshman dancer.

I have absolutely never published a book. The chapbook that my mom turned in to the newspaper offices was one I designed and made myself. I am far too inexperienced to consider looking into book publishing at this point.

I was so honored to find myself in your pages. Hopefully, this letter will rectify the mistakes and give credit where credit is due.

Amelia Klock
Interlochen

Renovated library will serve us well

The Chelsea District Library (McKune Memorial Library) bond issue that we will be asked to approve on May 4 represents a project that is very important to Chelsea-area residents and to the future.

Chelsea is a very special place. It's special because of the work and contributions of many people over the past decades.

We all know, and sometimes take for granted, all of the things that make us unique and that separate us from other communities in the area. Over the years, people have said that when they chose Chelsea as their home, they never dreamed how much they would come to appreciate living here.

The library proposal is another step toward making Chelsea unique by providing a facility that will serve all of our residents for years to come. The programs that will be possible for all ages are limited only by our imagination.

The new library is much more than just a building. It has the potential to become a hub for the entire Chelsea area, providing learning experiences for our young people in conjunction with the schools, providing historical information, providing computer access for more people, providing an expanded inventory of books and information, and providing meeting rooms for library related functions and for other community activities. These are only a few of the possibilities.

In this computer age, there is a growing need for an expanded library. Even with the limited space at the current location, there were more than 100,000 times that people used the library in the year 2003.

The proposed library has been in the planning stages for more than five years. There has been input from many people in the Chelsea area. The design that has been selected by the Library Board and by the building committee, which is made up of area residents, gives us a

building that will serve the needs of the area for years to come.

It also gives us the opportunity to expand it at a minimum of cost when it's necessary. I have spent time studying the proposal and the building plans, and can honestly say that it is well done.

I urge all of us to place the passage of the bond issue on May 4 high on our list of priorities. It represents a wise investment in the future for all Chelsea-area residents. I believe it will serve us well.

Bob Daniels
Sylvan Township

Art group seeks changes, healing

Perhaps you have heard of read or signed a petition recently requesting that the Chelsea Center for the Arts donate the community-created broken glass mosaic sculpture located near Timber Town to the city of Chelsea.

A group of Pathway friends wishes to retain the inclusive, life-renewing feel this project began with, and felt this was the most win-win solution to some existing differences of opinions.

While we understand that the concept of a petition brings forth the notion of a polarizing, political us-ver-

sus-them mentality, this is not our intention. We intend to avoid a long period of talk around town and subsequent unnecessary damage to any individuals or institutions involved.

Along with many Chelsea community members, we support the arts, artists, administrators, board members, and all the volunteers who wish to see all art endeavors flourish and become successful.

Wouldn't it be fabulous to have Chelsea become a strong, unified voice of creating "cool communities" and attracting the creative class as a way to enhance other strong segments of our new city?

Communication is tricky in complicated situations, and this is an area where the project itself brought out brilliant creativity, administrative headaches, not enough money, personality clashes, strong feelings, opinions and personal pain.

Perhaps this all needed to rise to the surface — with the Pathway as a symbolic means to go a little deeper — for greater understanding, healthier collaboration and resolution through an open conversation.

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We attempted to gain understanding about certain actions taken against the resident artist to this project, but were left only with silence for too long and felt an authentic, heart-related desire to respond with a letter of request to move this beautiful, healing project back to its roots.

Sometimes it takes more than a few voices to be heard and validated. Hence, our goal is to stick with the higher road and suggest non-political ownership so that everyone can feel comfortable participating in future tasks or events related to the project.

Hopefully, because we share a part of our hearts and intentions, all those involved will become more understanding and closer through open dialogue and truth telling based on trust versus building a case against any individual.

We have discovered that many community members are fearful of signing this petition because of some connection to their perception of "the other side," even though they support this bigger picture solution and we explain that we are not about taking sides.

Chelsea as a community does not want to embrace this kind of fear-based thinking and we consider this neutral solution to be a part of creating healthy, forward-thinking change to a small town that is getting bigger and needs to become more inclusive.

This process helps with succession planning for vibrant new leadership through mentoring from existing experienced leaders. It can take longer than traditional methods, but if structured effectively can empower so many people to participate and ultimately add to both the economic growth and happiness index of living in Chelsea.

The Pathway to Renewal project provides an opportunity for those who choose to move beyond intellectualizing, past ego-related opinions or justification of rightness, and choose the path of healing, love and forgiveness.

Visit PathwaytoRenewal.com Web site to learn about or reflect on some of the special moments and memories attached to this heart-felt sculpture.

Julie Sverid
Chelsea
Marsi Darwin
Waterloo Township
Jason Eyster
Lima Township

New commissioner committed to job

I was recently appointed to the position of Sylvan Township Board trustee. My appointment is to fill a vacancy that expires with the November 2004 election. Until that time, I will do my best to represent our township.

I believe that my experience on the Township Planning Commission will serve me well in this new role. I stand ready to serve our township and residents. I encourage the voters and

property owners to call with questions, suggestions, ideas and concerns.

Patrick Merkel
Sylvan Township

New location not needed for library

I agree with the person who stated, why do we need a new library? I love the location of the library. I use it often with no problem parking right in front.

Also, the school district is thinking of laying off 20 teachers, so why do we need to try and raise money for a new library. If there is not enough room there in a few years, how about adding a second floor?

There must be other options instead of spending millions for something we already have.

The McKune House could be used as a historical center.

Rhonda Paddock
Lima Township

Library proposal coming at a bad time

The library millage is endorsed by well-known citizens and has been heavily advertised. I wish I saw this kind of coordinated energy by parents in schools or citizens fighting for civil rights.

However, the proposed library millage does not seem practical right now. I am not opposed to a library, or to a library downtown, but I don't like the way it is being pushed down our throats.

Economic times are tough, social services are being cut, schools don't have enough money, and there are numerous job layoffs.

Several important items must be noted. The millage on the ballot will be in addition to the already-existent millage. Our school libraries and librarians in Chelsea are excellent. The current site at the Washington Street Education Center, even if it is only temporary, has easy parking, little traffic, is close to both the high school and downtown, and serves its purpose.

It seems like the downtown location is "being pushed" because some people want to achieve a Norman Rockwell vision of a quaint downtown location. Increasing property values should not be a motivating factor for building a new, expensive library. That has nothing to do with encouraging reading, helping students with homework, or anything else to do with a library's purpose.

Of course, libraries are a wonderful asset, but we also have to ensure that the city has affordable housing, great schools and services that exist for their value as services.

A reasonable library at the downtown location, the Washington Street Education Center, or at a third location, shouldn't be built as a business anchor or to make houses more valuable.

There are other millages being discussed or proposed for other services in Chelsea, and if they all pass, the totals will add up for homeowners. We need to examine which are the best choices based on what is truly needed, not wanted.

Allison Marable
Chelsea

Board confident plan good for community

On May 4, you have the opportunity to enrich our community — intellectually, culturally and socially.

After years of careful study and extensive input from community members, the Chelsea District Library Board of Trustees will ask voters to support a plan to expand and restore the historic McKune Memorial Library. This plan calls for approval, by voters residing in the library district, of a 20-year bond for \$8,255,000. If approved, owners of a home with a market value of \$200,000 will be levied \$75 a year, or \$6.25 a month.

The plan also will provide expanded library space designed for 21st century users and preserve a historic library building and community icon.

Our library will become an even more valuable asset with a special place in our community and our lives. It will offer many opportunities for people of all ages and interests to learn and grow, and the library will add to the quality of life for everyone.

We encourage you to take time to find out more about the improvement plan for the McKune Memorial Library. If you have any questions, any board member or Library Director Metta Lansdale would be glad to visit with you.

Community forums 7 p.m. Wednesday and 11 a.m. April 24 also will provide opportunities to find out more about the proposed plan.

We encourage you to carefully consider the improvement plan and vote on May 4.

Jan Dohner
Lima Township
Kate McAuliffe
Dexter Township
Greg DeGraff
Chelsea
Karen Dixon
Chelsea
Lynn Fox
Sylvan Township
Colleen Verge
Sylvan Township
District Library Board

New library will benefit community

It is not every day that citizens can meet the practical needs of our community and assure the continued health of downtown Chelsea. We now have that opportunity.

The practical need is to create a home for our library. Today's temporary location permits no long-term growth possibilities. Even at its current size, the library is only one-third the size recommended by established library standards.

The continued health of our attractive and bustling downtown can be significantly enhanced by locating the new library at the McKune Memorial Library site. The new construction would complement the McKune House, preserve its historic value, and add additional vitality to downtown.

The temporary space that the library currently uses is leased. Because the library does not own the building, the library does not control how long the space will be available and cannot renovate the space to more adequately meet the needs of the

community.

Also, since the library is leasing, the annual rent is an expenditure that gains no equity for the library and thus is a poor fiscal choice.

The new library will increase its collection by approximately one-third. At the same time, it will house an expanded collection of books, periodicals, books on tape, DVDs and CDs. It also will obtain room for the infrastructure necessary to provide up-to-date digital access to library resources.

Children and teens will have their own areas, in addition to study areas and programming space. Study tables will include seating for both quiet study and group study. Students, as well as other patrons, will enjoy the fact that the new library will be open Sundays.

Chelsea area history and genealogy resources will be in a centralized area and everyone will appreciate the fact that the expansion will coincide with the creation of expanded programming that will appeal to a variety of interests.

For as long as we have been a nation, public libraries have occupied an important role in our cities and villages. A library is among the finest expression of a community's values.

The new library will serve as a community gathering place and have a long-term, positive impact on our community's quality of life, as well as a positive impact on the educational and cultural opportunities available to all of us.

Amy Bolt
Chelsea

Decision concerning co-op disappointing

I was saddened to read that several teachers in our district are getting laid off. There have been many articles about the financial challenges the Chelsea School District has been facing this past year.

Knowing that, I was extremely dismayed to learn recently that the Chelsea Children's Cooperative Preschool, which is currently located at the Washington Street Education Center, has to move to a new home because of failed rent negotiations over the past year with the district.

The representatives of the co-op have met with the district several times over the last year and each time the district raised the amount it wanted for the space currently rented.

While justified reasons were given for these increases by the district, the end number was an astonishing 82 percent increase and came at the 11th hour, just a month before the preschool's open house.

The district offered two smaller rooms, still at significant rent increases, that unfortunately did not meet the co-op's needs. However, one room the co-op was allowed to view, the home economics room, would have

met both the financial and space needs of the non-profit preschool.

Unfortunately, the district decided that space was better used as storage than as a home to a group with a 32-year history in Chelsea.

The 82 percent increase would have been in excess of \$13,000 a year. Someone coming in as a new renter would pay in excess of \$25,000.

To the best of my knowledge, the district does not have another renter lined up for that space at either rate. Nor has it opted to bring money to the district by renting out the home economics room to the co-op.

Neither of these decisions seems reasonable for a financially struggling school district, especially when you consider that one of its largest renters, the library, will be moving soon (if the bond issue passes).

The co-op is on the verge of selecting a new home and members are very excited about that, despite their disappointment that the school district was unable to keep the co-op as renters and keep the co-op in the most appropriate place for the community — the Washington Street Education Center, our community education center.

I believe that the school district's voting board could have made this relationship work for both parties if it had wanted to.

We are confident that the co-op will flourish in its new home, just as it always has.

These decisions are getting very low marks from the families in this community with children of all ages who have enjoyed an opportunity to participate in this wonderful program.

Susanne Vanden Bosch
Chelsea

Board's decision harmful to Waterloo

I am very concerned that Waterloo Township withdrew from the Chelsea Area Fire Authority March 25, leaving Waterloo Township with no fire coverage.

It was out of moral obligation that CAFA said it would cover Waterloo Township until April 24. I appreciate that CAFA decided to do this because it did not have to.

I do not understand why the township would pull out and not have contracts in place with neighboring fire departments before making that decision. This does not make any sense to me.

According to articles in the newspapers, the township pulled out to save taxpayers money that would be lost for a main station that would be built in Chelsea.

What the township is not telling everyone is that the township would have equity in the land, and that the township already has depreciated value in the trucks and equipment since the Fire Authority was formed. That will be paid back to the township because of their withdrawal.

In the regular Township Board meeting minutes from

Dec. 17, 2002, there was a question asked for clarification on why the township was proposing to include a fire station in plans for a new township hall when CAFA was proposing to build fire annexes in locations determined by fire run activity.

The response was that the inclusion of a fire substation already has been part of the proposal since it would be less expensive to include it and have CAFA pay rent than to have CAFA build one with the township paying its share of the cost.

Whatever happened to this proposal? From what I understand, the rent paid would pay for the new township hall, and when the debt was retired, the rent would become revenue to the township that could be used to offset the cost of fire service. Wouldn't it?

In doing research for this letter, I had to submit a request under the Freedom of Information Act to the township. Under this act, the township can charge for labor and for making photocopies. I am a taxpayer in the township, yet township officials obviously were not concerned with saving me money to get this information.

My request was to get the response times for the surrounding fire departments. I would have thought that the township already should have had this information since the board made the decision to withdraw from CAFA. The township not only charged for labor and copies, but also for mileage.

My personal feeling is that the township made a poor decision for the taxpayers of Waterloo.

Now, it could cost Waterloo residents additional money. Homeowners' insurance could go up because insurance is based on ISO ratings, a big factor in the response time it takes to get to a call. The closer you are to a fire station, the lower the insurance rates.

From what I understand, the reason the township joined CAFA was to save money and increase the medical and fire service to the Waterloo area.

I do not see why the board is concerned with losing equity in a building over a 20-year period. It's not buying bricks; it's buying a service.

Where is the equity in paying out money to four other departments to cover the Waterloo area? The board will not have any equity in the fire equipment or trucks. We simply will be paying for a service — a service that may have longer response times than we have now.

If anyone in Waterloo Township has the same concerns or questions for the board, I ask that you come to the Township Board meeting 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

David Weigel
Waterloo Township

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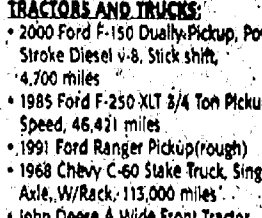
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Performance by Chelsea High School Chamber Orchestra and the Renee Robins Piamp Studio of Saint-Saens' "Carnival of Animals", Beach Fiddle Club and Chelsea House Orchestra

FIRE

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response runs by CAFA will end midnight April 24. The substation on Maute Road also will be closed.

"We thought their main concern was for the safety of local citizens," Beyer said Tuesday. "We had assumed we didn't have to worry about coverage."

"At the March 25 meeting, to my recollection, transition was discussed but there was no cut off date mentioned. Sixty to 90 days would have been more appropriate. We had an understanding from previous conversations that we would have more time."

Waterloo Township officials don't believe that command officers have the authority, under CAFA bylaws, to make such a decision, Beyer said.

"To our knowledge, there were no special meetings; the command officers made that decision," he said.

"We thought that's what the Authority Board is for."

At 48 square miles, Waterloo was the largest township in the Fire Authority, and was served by three fire departments.

CAFA provided coverage of 22 square miles, from the east township line bordering Sylvan Township west to Portage Lake Road, and the south township line bordering Grass Lake Township north to Hoffman and Schumacher roads. Lt. Jim Boritzki of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority said that CAFA covered the most populated area of the township.

Stockbridge Township Fire Department provided coverage of 21 square miles and Leoni Township Fire Department covered five square miles.

On Tuesday, Beyer said he is in "emergency mode" discussing coverage with Jackson Central Emergency Dispatch, Huron Valley Ambulance, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, and the fire departments from

the townships of Leoni, Henrietta, Stockbridge and Grass Lake.

"I talked with Leoni Fire Department last night, talked to all the department chiefs, and they said it was not a problem to provide service for us," he said.

In addition, CAFA has sent a non-negotiable draft contract to Waterloo Township offering coverage through the end of next February on a contract basis.

The Chelsea Fire Board will meet 7 p.m. tonight at Sylvan Township Hall.

Beyer said that, as the township's representative, he will take whatever options are offered by CAFA to the Waterloo Township Board, which is scheduled to meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Waterloo residents will be eagerly awaiting the outcome.

Carol Dawson, a Waterloo Township resident for 34 years, said that Beyer had "put the cart before the horse."

"I'm very concerned about safety, and also that our house insurance could be eliminated if we don't have adequate fire protection," Dawson said Tuesday.

"I don't see where Mr. Beyer had the best interests of Waterloo residents at heart."

Waterloo Township resident Christy Lansky said Monday she had been "disgusted" to read that the Township Board had voted to cut ties with the Fire Authority without notifying residents.

Three of the board members, she said, aren't affected since they are covered by Stockbridge Fire Department.

"I have a young child, as do many of my neighbors, and if something were to happen, whether it's a fire or something else, the nearest department is 10 minutes away," Lansky said. "That could mean a life lost, or house destroyed."

"We have many camp sites near us, and every year there is a need for some type of emergency service and we won't have it."

"They claim they are trying to save us money," she said. "Well, I would rather pay higher taxes for emergency services. I should have had a say."

Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove can be reached at spursglove@heritage.com.

WHO'S WATCHING THE CHILDREN?

The Orange County Register thought its readers might like to know about the criminal histories of workers in the state's day-care facilities. After all, the paper's readers were placing their own trust and their children's well-being in the hands of those workers.

But the state of California turned down a series of newspaper Freedom of Information requests to look at those histories, citing the privacy rights of the workers. It also refused access to its data base of offenses and other day-care center violations unless the newspaper paid \$45,000 for the information.

In the end, the Register won its fight for access to documents—which were used to track down the criminals and public court records that revealed their histories. The newspaper also built its own data base from nearly 50,000 pages of inspection and complaint reports in Orange County. These efforts allowed the Register to unveil for the state's parents the uncomfortable truth: Throughout California, thousands of day-care workers had long criminal histories. The results of the data base analysis also showed pervasive problems of mistreatment, neglect, overcrowding and unsafe conditions.

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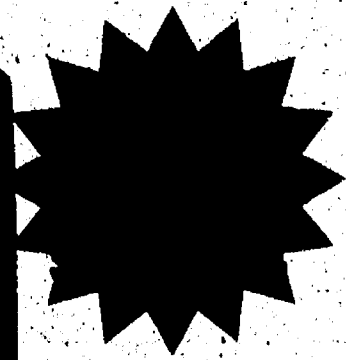
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HIGH: 58°-62° Mostly sunny.	LOW: 38°-42° Mainly clear.	HIGH: 66°-70° Sunny to partly cloudy and warm. LOW: 46°-50°	HIGH: 70°-74° Clouds and sun, a shower possible. LOW: 48°-52°	HIGH: 68°-72° Mostly cloudy with showers. LOW: 44°-48°	HIGH: 56°-60° Partly sunny. LOW: 38°-42°



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Statistics for the week ending April 12:

Temperatures:

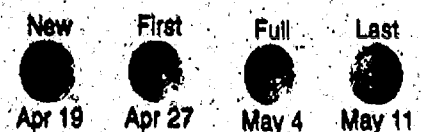
High for the week: 80°
Low for the week: 22°
Normal high: 66°
Normal low: 35°
Normal temperature: 42.5°
Normal average temperature: 45.1°

Precipitation:

Total for the week: 0.08"
Total for the month: 0.15"
Total for the year: 4.74"
Normal for the month: 1.33"
Normal for the year: 39.19"
% of normal this year: 56%

SUN AND MOON

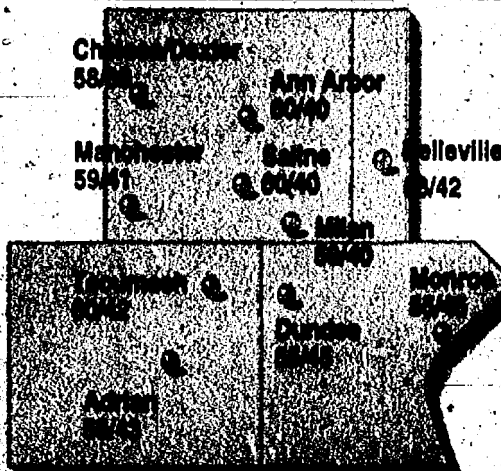
Sunrise Thursday: 6:54 a.m.
Sunset Thu. night: 8:17 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday: 8:31 a.m.
Moonset Thursday: 4:20 p.m.



NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thur.	Fri.	City	Thur.	Fri.	City	Thur.	Fri.	City	Thur.	Fri.	City	Thur.	Fri.
Albany	51/34/c	57/37/c	Albuquerque	77/48/s	74/45/s	Anchorage	50/32/c	46/32/c	Atlanta	70/50/s	74/52/s	Atlantic City	58/37/sh	56/38/sh
Austin	70/50/s	74/52/s	Baltimore	72/40/sh	64/44/c	Baton Rouge	70/49/s	70/50/s	Birmingham	71/48/s	70/54/s	Bismarck	62/35/sh	53/31/sh
Bloomington	70/48/s	71/52/s	Boise	52/38/sh	46/36/c	Boston	52/38/sh	46/36/c	Brownsville	81/64/c	84/66/c	Butte	51/38/s	60/43/c
Buffalo	51/38/s	60/43/c	Burlington, IA	74/53/c	76/56/c	Burlington, VT	46/30/c	57/36/s	Casper	64/34/c	62/32/c	Cedar Rapids	73/50/c	73/52/c
Charleston, SC	72/46/s	73/50/s	Charleston, WV	60/41/s	72/48/s	Charlotte	68/44/s	74/50/s	Cheyenne	64/38/c	61/34/s	Chicago	70/48/s	75/52/c
Chennai	64/46/s	70/51/s	Cincinnati	55/40/s	68/48/s	Cleveland	74/52/s	78/58/c	Columbia, MO	60/46/s	70/50/s	Columbus, OH	77/66/c	83/56/c
Dallas	77/66/c	83/56/c	Davenport	73/51/c	75/54/c	Denver	71/38/s	70/37/s	Des Moines	74/53/c	74/52/c	Duluth	58/40/sh	64/34/sh
El Paso	64/34/c	62/32/c	Fairbanks	48/22/c	48/24/c	Fargo	58/38/sh	54/32/sh	Flagstaff	63/33/c	60/39/c	Fort Wayne	64/44/s	70/48/s
Galveston	68/48/s	74/54/c	Honolulu	84/73/c	84/72/c	Houston	78/58/s	82/64/c	Indianapolis	67/50/s	71/52/s	Jacksonville	77/66/c	83/56/c
Kansas City	75/54/c	75/55/c	Knoxville	67/48/s	71/48/s	Las Vegas	61/55/c	74/54/c	Lexington, KY	62/44/s	70/51/s	Lincoln	78/52/c	77/49/s
Little Rock	74/50/s	78/54/s	Los Angeles	67/52/c	67/54/c	Louisville	68/51/s	73/55/s	Madison	60/44/s	70/50/s	Memphis	74/54/s	78/58/s
Miami	77/80/s	79/84/c	Minneapolis	62/48/s	67/48/s	Mobile	74/48/s	78/54/s	Nashville	70/48/s	73/53/s	New Orleans	74/54/s	78/58/s
New York	55/42/sh	64/45/c	Omaha	61/55/c	74/54/c	Orlando	78/54/s	80/58/s	Palm Springs	62/48/s	72/53/c	Peoria	74/50/s	78/58/s
Philadelphia	60/42/sh	62/44/c	Phoenix	90/32/s	89/39/s	Pittsburgh	59/38/s	65/46/s	Portland, ME	53/32/sh	50/33/c	Portland, OR	55/36/sh	52/36/c
Providence	65/44/s	72/48/s	Raleigh	65/38/c	61/33/c	Rapid City	58/34/c	64/33/c	Richmond	63/42/sh	64/44/c	Rio de Janeiro	78/67/c	77/69/c
Sao Paulo	84/41/s	85/42/s	San Juan	84/72/sh	86/74/sh	San Francisco	67/48/s	69/49/s	Seattle	54/41/sh	58/44/s	Shanghai	68/54/s	69/56/s
Singapore	81/77/c	81/77/c	Stockholm	58/43/s	55/42/c	Sydney	64/48/s	65/49/s	Taipei	68/54/s	69/56/s	Tokyo	68/54/s	69/56/s
Vancouver	54/34/sh	54/42/c	Vienna	58/38/s	61/41/c	Warsaw	57/40/s	60/40/c	Washington, DC	62/42/sh	64/46/c	Wichita	77/55/c	78/54/s

LOCAL WEATHER



MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur.	Fri.
Ann Arbor	60/40/s	68/48/s
Bay City	62/47/s	69/51/s
East Lansing	57/45/s	68/48/s
Flint	62/50/s	70/52/s
Holland	59/46/s	68/50/s
Jackson	62/47/s	70/50/c
Kalamazoo	61/49/s	68/52/c
Lansing	60/42/s	70/48/s
Livonia	61/44/s	71/50/c
Midland	61/44/s	71/49/s
Monroe	59/42/s	69/47/s
Muskegon	59/45/s	69/47/s
Pontiac	55/45/s	68/48/s
Port Huron	62/48/s	68/50/c
Saginaw	58/43/s	68/49/s
Saline	58/43/s	68/49/s
Sault Ste. Marie	60/40/c	59/42/c
Sturgis	63/47/s	71/51/s
Troy	58/40/c	58/48/c
Traverse City	61/48/s	70/48/c
Warren	58/48/s	68/50/s

TRAVEL

Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
High pressure building across the Great Lakes will result in dry weather Thursday with 10-12 hours of sunshine. Winds will be south at 8-16 mph.

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 real feel temperature for each day.

Highest Thursday: 68°
Highest Friday: 68°
Highest Saturday: 68°
Highest Sunday: 68°

SOLUNAR TABLE

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

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thurs: 8:25 a.m.	8:23 a.m.	9:58 p.m.	9:48 p.m.
Fri: 10:14 a.m.	10:09 a.m.	10:39 p.m.	10:28 p.m.
Sat: 10:53 a.m.	10:42 a.m.	11:14 p.m.	10:58 p.m.
Sun: 11:22 a.m.	11:01 a.m.	11:59 p.m.	11:48 p.m.

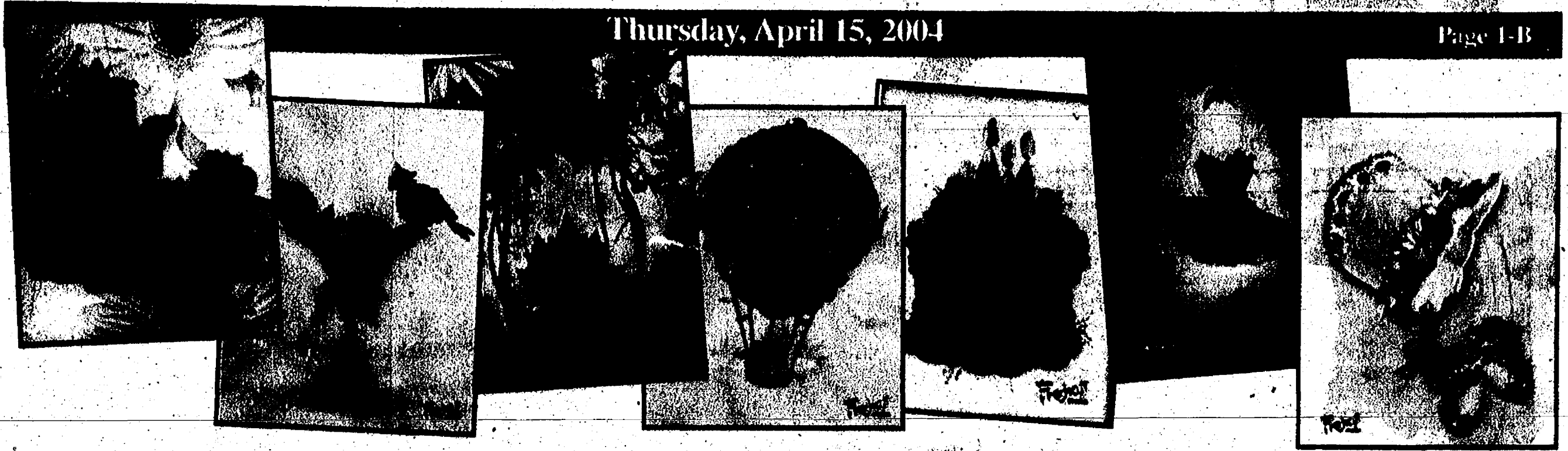
UV INDEX

Highest Thursday: 5
The ultraviolet index is a guide to exposure to the sun. The higher the UV index number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

COMMUNITY

Thursday, April 15, 2004

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By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Chelsea native Connie Dault Haley gives new meaning to the term flower power, digitally manipulating high-resolution photos of flowers and transforming their petals and leaves into something unexpected — from a bicycle and baby buggy to a poodle and even a 1930s swing band.

Haley's creations from FreshCut Studio have been licensed for a line of stationery products and greeting cards.

"It's such fun to create something entirely unexpected from something familiar," she said. "Most of the time, even I am surprised by the imagery as it evolves on my computer. And I am constantly entertained in the process."

Haley, the daughter of Jim and Donna Dault, grew up on a farm near Cavanaugh Lake in Sylvan Township.

The 1982 Chelsea High School graduate showed creative promise even in her school days, as a cheerleader, singer in the choir, a member of Contemporaries vocal group and in various theater productions. She was also active as a storyteller in forensics.

Her interests led her to study advertising at Michigan State University.

"I knew as a career I wanted to do something creative," she said. "Advertising seemed logical, partly because at that point I didn't know art licensing

existed as a business industry."

With a degree in advertising under her belt, Haley headed to Chicago to spend a year in the advertising field.

She then went south in search of warmer climes, taking a job in graphic production in Houston, where she met her future husband, Clayton. After his graduation from law school, the couple married and moved to East Texas, where they are raising their two children.

In 1992, Haley started her own advertising agency in Nacogdoches, Texas, and for nearly eight years provided advertising to clients that included the local hospital, shopping mall, largest auto dealership and largest bank.

At that time, as an investment, she and her husband bought a local photography studio.

"Through some seminars I attended to learn more about how to make that business more successful, I met a photographer from Houston named Lisa Jane," she said. "Her photography of children in fantasy settings was so beautiful, I simply fell in love with it."

Haley suggested her agency promote Lisa Jane.

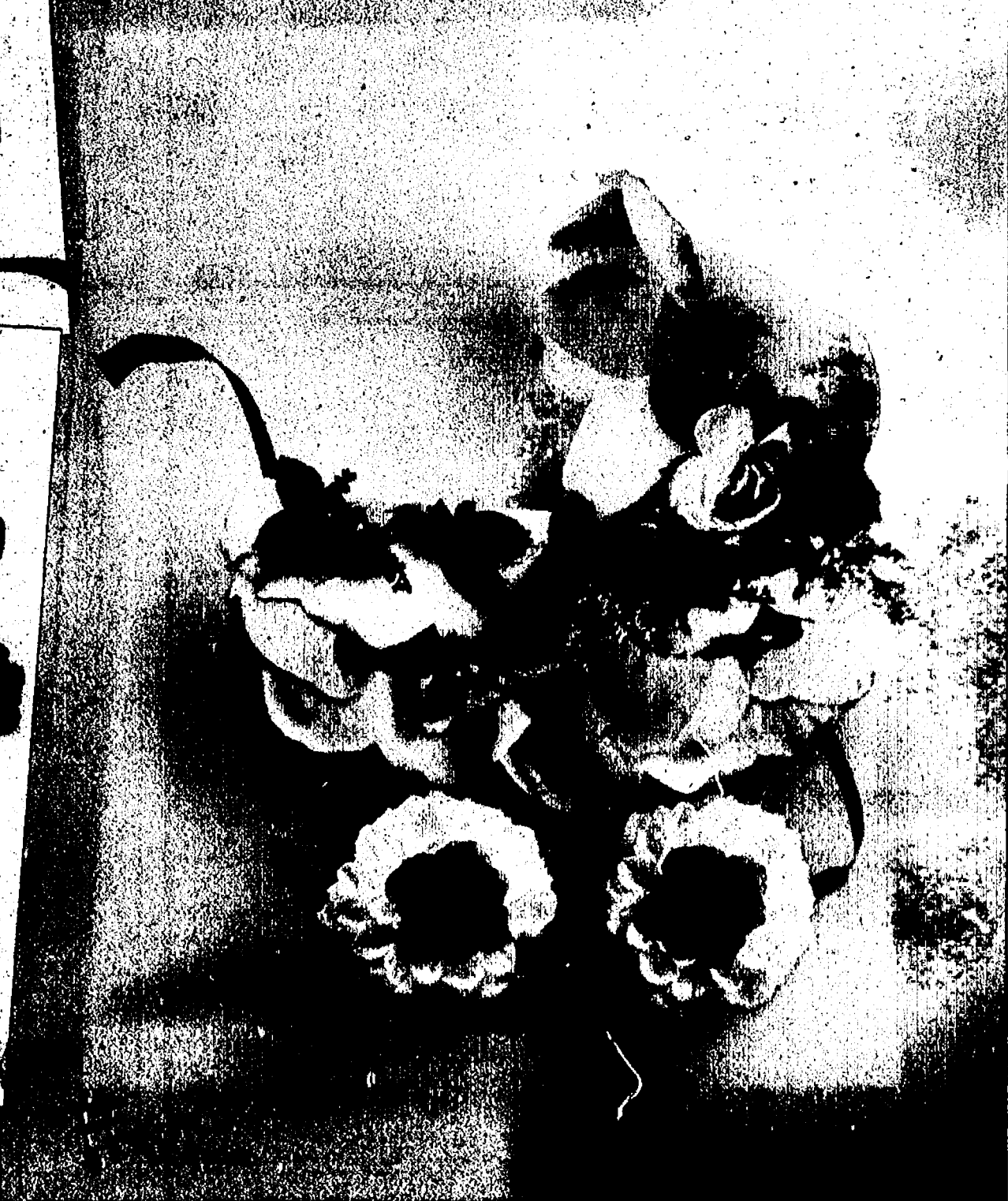
"What began as a public relations project

FLOWER POWER

Chelsea native creates new line of greeting cards



Chelsea native Connie Dault Haley digitally manipulates high-resolution photographs of flowers, transforming their petals and leaves into new creations.



ing. She eventually began to develop her own brand of digital imagery based on things she loves — flowers, plants and other gifts of nature.

"Floral designs have always done well, but if has been a long time since anyone has come up with something new to do with them," Haley said.

"Having a creative soul and knowledge of Photoshop, I started playing around with some imagery on my computer and developed this concept of completely transforming the flower into something unexpected."

The result is FreshCut Studio, a new perspective on traditional beauty.

"I want to inspire people to think outside the boxwood," Haley said. "What if an ordinary tulip were really a skirt, or a cup left on a sunflower table by a tiny pixie who dashed away just before you looked?"

"My joy is to take images of natural beauty and create something entirely new and unexpected."

In May 2003, Haley took a handful of her designs to the National Stationery Show in New York, where her studio was exhibiting the work of Lisa Jane. She showed her designs to two close friends in the industry — an art agent and a creative director of a greeting card company — to see if they thought they were worthy of licensing.

"At first, I didn't tell either of them that it was my own work," Haley said. "They both felt it was fresh and innovative. They loved it."

"My friend at Leanin' Tree Greeting Cards loved the designs so much that we put together a plan for licensing the work that day. Only after we worked out the details did I tell her it was my work."

Since then, Haley has worked closely with Leanin' Tree to develop the 48-card line that will hit stores this month.

Haley had also been working with a group from Russia on a line of Lisa Jane cards, calendars and stationery. In 2003, she showed the Russians her new work and they were excited to license it for greeting cards, she said.

"Just the other day, they asked for more FreshCut Studio designs, as the first group is selling very well and they are ready to expand the collection," she said. "Their cards sell in Russia and all the countries that make up the former Soviet Union."

"I have found them to be extremely pleasant and easy to work with. They have become quite dear to me."

Haley is enjoying her new career, sharing her love of nature through her digital images.

"The next time you are walking in a garden, be careful where you step," she said. "There is magic happening all around."

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Connie Haley

FreshCut
studio

quickly evolved into art licensing," Haley said. "I was soon negotiating deals with manufacturers who wanted to use her work on posters, greeting cards, calendars."

That was in 1998. In 2000, Haley sold her advertising business to focus full time on art licensing, a career she says has proven to be enormously challenging and equally reward-

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Friday, April 16

Lullaby Concert for all ages will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Chelsea High School Auditorium, 740 Freer Road. Tickets are \$3 per person and are available at Chelsea Pharmacy.

Saturday, April 17

"Living Lightly: On Sacred Ground" will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Michigan Friends Center, 7748 Clark Lake Road, in Chelsea. Multiple workshops will be offered, and a simple lunch will be provided. Registration fee is \$30. For more information and to register, call 475-1892.

Cranesbill Books will hold an origami demonstration 1 p.m. with Jack Smith. At 2 p.m., live poetry readings will be held with poet Clark Iverson and University of Michigan professor Macklin Smith. The event will be held at 108 E. Middle St. in Chelsea. For more information, call 433-2665.

Pierce's Pastries Plus will present morning Mochas and Melodies from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 103 W. Middle St. in Chelsea. This week's entertainer is Golden Griffin.

"Exploring amazing amphibians" will be held 2 p.m. at The Eddy Discovery Center, 17030 Bush Road, in Chelsea. To register for this free hour-and-a-half program, call 475-3170. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry and is \$6 for the day, or \$24 for a resident annual.

A orchestra fund-raiser dinner and concert will be held 6 p.m. at Chelsea High School commons, 740 Freer Road. Tickets may be purchased at Chelsea Pharmacy.

Sunday, April 18

A writing workshop with Susan Sheiner will be held for fifth-, sixth- and seventh-graders 2 p.m. at Cranesbill Books, 108 E. Middle St., in Chelsea. Registration is required. Call 433-2665.

"Signs of Spring Woodland Walk" will start 2 p.m. at Park Lyndon South in the west lot, located on North Territorial Road, in Lyndon Township. For information, call 971-6337, Ext. 318.

Monday, April 19

Free concert for senior citizens will be held 7 p.m. in the Chelsea High School Auditorium, 740 N. Freer Road. Chelsea House Orchestra, Jazz Band and Company C are performing.

Wednesday, April 21

A community forum will be held 7 p.m. in the meeting room at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., to discuss the improvement plan for the McKune Memorial Library.

Thursday, April 22

The Chelsea District Library Senior Connections program continues with "Life Around the World with Mia Gale" starting at 10 a.m. The library is located at 500 Washington St. For more information, call 475-8732.

The Tamarack Greens annual meeting will be a potluck 6:30 p.m. The public is invited. For location and further information, call 433-9102.

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. Call 1-800-337-3827.

Bingo 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Chelsea American Legion and VFW, 1700 Ridge Road, in Chelsea. Call 475-7212.

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of the month. Call 475-1145.

U.S. Congressman Nick Smith, R-7th District office hours 4 to 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at 305 S. Main St. Call 1-517-783-4486.

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.

Senior Book Club meets at 1:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at The Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. For information, call 475-8732.

Senior Nutrition Program meets noon every Thursday 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. Call 475-1462.

Bingo is held 6:30 p.m. every Friday night at Chelsea Rod and Gun Club, 7103 Lingane Road, in Chelsea. Call 475-7910.

Saturday

Hope 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. Call 475-3305.

Western Washtenaw Republicans meets from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at Cleary's Pub, 113 S. Main St. Call 475-3874.

German Social Club meets 1 p.m. the last Saturday of the month at Wolverine restaurant, 20460 Old US-12. Call 475-1583.

Sunday

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets from 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. Call 1-800-852-9781.

Monday

Al-Anon meets 7:30 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St. 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 noon the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Call 475-1493.

Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets 6:15 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St. Call 475-5944.

Masonic Lodge 158 of Chelsea meets 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at 113 W. Middle St. Call 433-1452.

Mystery Book Club meets 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

Overeaters Anonymous meets 6 to 7 p.m. every Monday at the Covenant Church, 50 N. Freer Road. Call 995-1835.

Tuesday

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

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

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

Euchre Party is held 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Chelsea Senior Citizen Center, 775 S. Main St. Call 475-9242.

Grandparents as Parents Program is held 12:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Call 712-3625.

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

Woman's Club of Chelsea meets 1 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at The Pines, 325 Wilkinson St. Call 475-0467.

Wednesday

Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4076, 105 N. Main St., meets 7:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month. Call 475-1448.

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

DEXTER

Thursday, April 15

Friends of the Dexter District Library will hold its general membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the library conference room, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter.

Saturday, April 17

Bird hike will begin 7:30 a.m. at Hudson Mills Metropark, 9801 North Territorial Road, in Dexter Township. Participants should bring binoculars and a field guide. The fee is \$2 per person, and registration is required. Call 428-8211.

Monday, April 19

The Dexter Seniors Sauder Village road trip sign-up deadline is today for the April 28th excursion. Cost is \$40 for member and \$43 for non-members. For more information, call Carol Wall at 428-7737.

Tuesday, April 20

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Creative Solutions, 7322 Newman Blvd., in Dexter. Walk-ins are welcome, or to make an appointment, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

Local residents can support the French Tour students of Dexter High School by eating dinner between 4 and 11 p.m. at Dexter's Pub, 8114 Main St. Part of the proceeds will be given to the students to defray the cost of a trip to France.

DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday

Dexter AA group meets 7:30 p.m. every Thursday at St. Joseph's Parish Hall in the education building, 3470 Dover St., in Dexter.

Dexter Community Band meets from 7 to 9 p.m. every Thursday at the Dexter High School band room, 2200 N. Parker Road. Call 428-2734.

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 The Tuscan House, 7954 Ann Arbor St.

Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of the 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 Thursdays at DAPCO Industries, 2500 Bishop Circle East, in Dexter. Call 428-8549.

Girlfriends Inc. is for women of all ages. The group meets 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of the month. Call 424-3404.

Monday

Dexter Board of Education meets 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays at Creekside Intermediate School, 2615 Baker Road, in Dexter.

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

Dexter Village Council meets 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St.

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

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Dexter AA Group meets 8 p.m. every Tuesday at St. Joseph's Parish Hall Education Building, 3470 Dover St.

Dexter Child Study Club meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month. Call 426-3684.

Dexter Garden Club meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St. Call 428-2372.

Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays at The Tuscan House, 7954 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

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

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

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

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

Independent Order of Oddfellows meets 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 W. Huron River Drive, in Dexter.

The Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners meets 1 p.m. every other Tuesday, 555 N. Zeeb Road, in Scio Township.

Wednesday

Dexter American Legion Auxiliary meets 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the American Legion Post, 8225 Dexter-Chelsea Rd. Call 428-3112.

Dexter Touchdown Club meets 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the media center at Dexter High School, 2200 N. Parker Road.

Friends of Dexter District Library meets 12:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. Call 428-6775.

La Leche of Western Washtenaw meets from 10 a.m. to noon the first Wednesday of the month. Call 426-5648.

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ENGAGEMENTS & ANNIVERSARIES

ENGAGED:

Deanna Strauss of Ann Arbor and Michael Trinkle of Manchester are engaged and planning an August wedding. The future bride is the daughter of Ronald and the late Sharon Strauss of Swartz Creek. She earned a bachelor's degree in supply chain management from Michigan State University, and will complete her master's degree in business from Cleary University in June. She is employed by Pail Life Sciences in Scio Township as a senior buyer. The future groom is the son of Steven and Carol Trinkle of Dexter. He earned a



degree in robotics technology from Washtenaw Community College and is employed by Pail Life Sciences as a manufacturing engineer.

ENGAGED:

Stacey Johnston of Chelsea, daughter of Sheri and Ken Penar of Chelsea and Rick Johnston of Stockbridge, and Justin Tompkins of Chelsea, son of Chris and Robin Tompkins of Chelsea, have set a June 5 wedding date. The future bride is a 1998 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 2002 graduate of Jackson Community College. She is a registered vascular ultrasound technologist employed at St. Clair Vascular Associates in St. Clair Shores. The future groom is a carpenter



for Abacus Carpentry and a partner with Weekend Decks.

60TH ANNIVERSARY:

N.H. and Margaret (Steele) Miles of Ann Arbor, formerly of Chelsea, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary March 13 in Wauchula, Fla., where they spend the winter. They were married March 11, 1944. The couple's son and daughter-in-law, John and Mary Miles of Saline, flew down for the occasion. The Rev. Peter Sousa, who renewed the couple's wedding vows at St. Michael's Church, joined them for dinner to conclude the celebration. Daughter Karen Edwards and niece Mary



earlier to celebrate.



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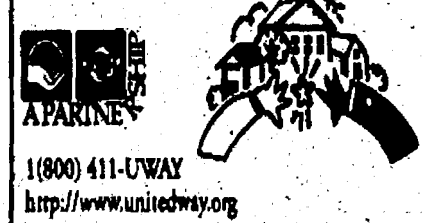
The Rev. Barbara Wright will start April 28 as the new pastor of the First Congregational Church of Chelsea, 121 E. Middle St. Wright, who graduated from Western Theological Seminary with a master of divinity degree, will be finishing her doctorate degree this summer. She is the mother of four children ranging in age from nine to 17.

BIRTHS

A daughter, Elizabeth Helen, was born April 2 to Kim and Tom Covert of Dexter at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township. Maternal grandparents are Phil and Dana Cundiff of Saline. Paternal grandparents are John and Sue Covert of Saline. Great-grandparents are Bill and Iva Covert of Ann Arbor. Elizabeth has a brother, Andrew, 1 1/2 years old.

Mary Gretchen and Donald Zale of Palm Beach, Fla. Paternal grandparents are the late Aileen and Emerson Yeasting of Bloomfield Hills. Catlin has two brothers, Austin and Benjamin, ages 4 and 2.

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Saturday, April 24, 2 p.m.

Fiddler Jeremy Kittel helps celebrate NLW! Jeremy has appeared on *Prairie Home Companion* and in the *Chicago Celtic Festival*. *There is no charge, but come early as seating is limited!*

Awards for Volunteer of the Year, Friend of the Year, and bookmark contest winners will also be announced.

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All events take place at 500 Washington, unless noted.

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CHS CURRENT

THE COMMUNITY AWAITS



A soldier's return

Policht's hometown welcomes him home from Iraq

By Jennie Palluzzi
Special Writer

Mike Policht and his family are fortunate. While some young Americans left the country to fight in the war against Iraq and never returned, the 2003 Chelsea High School graduate is expected to return tomorrow to his family, friends and hometown.

"We appreciate all the wonderful thoughts for him, the tireless prayer campaign that so many people are keeping up for his safe return and all the love that this community has shown for him," said his mother, Patti. "He said he feels it every day, and asks that we keep it up for all the troops."

Patti Policht said her son is safe and sound, and she is excited about his visit.

"He is tired, but healthy and well, and misses everything about Chelsea and can't wait to come home," she said.

Policht may have left Chelsea last year when he graduated from high school, but his heart remained. He plans to stay for three weeks and looks forward to visiting with family and friends.

Policht went through the Army's basic training last June, followed by airborne school. In November, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne and was based at Fort Bragg in North Carolina as part of the Paratrooper Infantry Regiment.

He was initially scheduled to leave for Baghdad in November, but was able to stay home for Christmas, much to the relief of his family.

"We were so lucky to have him home for the holidays," Patti Policht said.

As a private first class, Policht helps search for illegal weapons and weapons caches, as well as their makers and those who use them. In addition, he guards buildings that could be used by enemies, and he guards roads and warehouses, as well as the U.S. Army base.

"He is fighting the war on terror every day," his mother said. "He is doing exactly

what he wanted to do when he joined the Army. He is protecting our freedoms, and helping to get the bad guys."

Students at Chelsea High School are anticipating Policht's return.

"I really miss Mike and enjoy talking to him every once in a while," said Chelsea High School senior Erin Critchfield. "It will be cool when he comes back."

Added senior Lindsay Parker: "It will be really nice to know that he's safe and surrounded by the people he loves. We've all missed him a ton, and it has been a long time waiting until he's back home."

Graduates from Policht's class are equally as excited about his return.

"I think that we're all just so thankful to see him coming home safe," said 2003 Chelsea High School graduate Jenny Wright.

"I know that he loves what he does, and now it's great that we can tell him face to face how proud of him we are that he has served his country, and how much we love him."

Added graduate Ben Sporer: "I worried about him every day he was there, but it's settling to know he's on his way home."

Policht is expected to return to Iraq after six months or so of additional training.

Jennie Palluzzi is a senior at Chelsea High School and a regular contributor to the CHS Current. She can be reached at jenniepalluzzi@hotmail.com.

Chelsea High School graduate Mike Policht, pictured with his mother, Patti, is expected to return home tomorrow after serving the country in Iraq.



Teen Talk

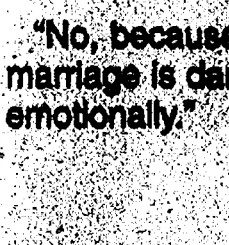
By Jennie Palluzzi

Do you think sexual activity among teenagers is acceptable?



"No, I know I want to keep myself for my future wife in every aspect. It's a hard fight, but I think she will appreciate it."

Hugh White
Class of 2004



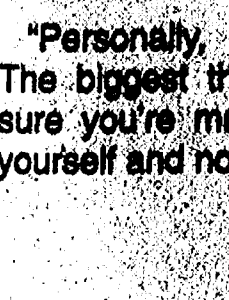
"No, because sexual activity before marriage is dangerous physically and emotionally."

Sharon Dault
Class of 2004



"Yes, as long as there is a mutual agreement between partners and as long as both partners are protected against risks such as pregnancy and STDs. Also, both partners need to feel emotionally and physically ready. As long as there is open communication and protection, sex can be a perfectly healthy addition to a teenage relationship."

Kelly Reinhardt
Class of 2004



"Personally, it's your own choice. The biggest thing, though, is to be sure you're making the decision for yourself and not for someone else."

Jayna Katz
Class of 2004



Denison is a shining star

By Brandon Fitzsimmons
Special Writer

Whether testing her muscle during a big test or on the soccer field, Brittany Denison is a shining example of what one can achieve through hard work and dedication.

Not only is she an academic standout at Chelsea High School, but Denison goes the extra 120 yards on the soccer field.

"She's one of my favorite players," said soccer coach and math teacher Chris Orlandi, who described Denison as a great leader, a coach on the field, and someone who thinks so much like him that it's scary.

Coming from an experienced varsity coach, that says a lot about Denison's work ethic, character and stamina.

The daughter of Doug and Marsha Denison of Chelsea is a senior midfielder for the girls' varsity soccer program. Her lifelong passion for soccer was nurtured as early as kindergarten, when she first started to kick a soccer ball around. Since that time, the sport has evolved into her favorite pastime and one she has spent much time refining.

When Denison entered ninth grade, she was among just a few standout athletes chosen to try out for the varsity squad.

"Three freshmen got pulled up to try out with varsity," she recalled. "(Orlandi)



Brittany Denison is an academic and athletic all-star. The Chelsea High School senior is all smiles with varsity soccer coach Chris Orlandi.

Photo by
Brandon Fitzsimmons

talked to us individually and I was the last one to go. I knew for sure the answer would be 'no.' When Mr. O said 'yes,' my eyes got huge and I said, 'You can't be serious.'"

Things only went uphill from there. In addition to her impressive four-year career on the varsity soccer squad on which she is entering her final season with high expectations, Denison has shined on the volleyball court.

During her sophomore year, the teen was brought up for districts - the same year the varsity volleyball squad made it into the state semifinals.

The next year, the volleyball squad defeated Bedford, a strong competitor, for the first time in the history of the two teams' rivalry. And this year, as a senior, Denison helped lead the spikers to the state quarterfinals.

Throughout the many successes in Denison's high school career, she has managed to maintain a 3.6 grade point average. In addition, this year she served on the National Honor Society and was vice-president of the Key Club.

The teen credits much of her success to examples set by such role models as Orlandi and her parents.

Because of their influence and the fact that Denison has not "saved" anything for tomorrow," she will leave high school with the know-how to conquer her dreams.

With plans to become a veterinarian, Denison will attend Michigan State University in the fall. Rest assured, however, that soccer and volleyball will continue to be passions in her life. She plans to play both sports on an intramural level.

Brandon Fitzsimmons is a junior at Chelsea High School and a regular contributor to the CHS Current. He can be reached at megalympus2@hotmail.com.

— ESSAY WINNERS —



For eight years, the Veterans of Foreign Post 4076 at 105 N. Main St. in Chelsea has conducted youth essay contests for seventh- and eighth-graders at Beach Middle School. Seventeen pupils participated this year, writing on the theme "My Dream for America." An awards dinner was held Feb. 29 at Chelsea Community Hospital's dining room. Winners Anna Brieland Shoultz (left), Kiefer

Forsch, Alex Corser and Cassandra Keszler are pictured above. At right, Bill Pierce of VFW Post 4076 presents Shoultz with a first-place plaque, certificate, mouse pad and \$200 savings bond.



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ERNE HARWELL

TALKING HEALTH

In my experience, the way people walk gives them away quicker than anything else.

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I think that as you get older and you don't want to appear old, one of the most important things is to police the way you walk. If you have a spring in your step, you give people the idea that you're optimistic and that you're

having a good time. You don't want to slouch and shuffle around. In fact, I've found that even when I'm a little down, walking with a little more energy actually makes me feel better.

There's even talk that people in the workplace draw conclusions about their coworkers based on how they walk. A brisk walker is viewed more positively than a leisurely one. The idea is that a brisk walker is on his way to accomplish something, to meet a deadline.

I always encourage people

to walk whenever possible because it's great exercise. While you're at it, think about whether the way you walk says what you want it to. And remember to take care of your health before it's long gone.

Ernie Harwell, known as the voice of the Detroit Tigers, today serves as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled "Life After Baseball," is available at bookstores.

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Several young actors play the roles of Oompah Loompahs. In front are Jordan Battaglia (left), Taylor Cooley, Ezra Planck and Sarah Oberholtzer. Behind are Grace Sauers (left), Jona Mason, Rachel Katz, Kelsee Brinklow, Ciela Powell, Madeline Broekhuizen and Mackenzie Cole.

Photo courtesy of John Daly

WONKA!

The young actors of CAP Jr., a youth theater program of the Chelsea Area Players, are rehearsing for their performance of "Wonka" set for April 22, 23 and 24 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

The cast includes 76 students from all five Chelsea public schools, as well as children from many of the surrounding communities.

"Wonka" is an adaptation of Roald Dahl's fantasy "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," which was made into the movie "Willie Wonka & the Chocolate Factory" in 1971, starring comedian Gene Wilder.

"Wonka" is directed by Rowyn Baker. Her husband, Michael Baker, serves as executive producer.

Tickets are \$10 and \$5 for children younger than 12, and are available at the Chelsea Pharmacy or at the door.

Executive Producer Michael Baker of Dexter looks over plans for the production of "Wonka!"

Photo courtesy of John Daly



Jake Powell looks over his script during rehearsals of "Wonka!"

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Young actress Kaitlin Cottrell confers with CAP Jr. Director Ron...



The character of Willie Wonka is the most recent of many theater roles for Chelsea High School senior Ty Mitchell.

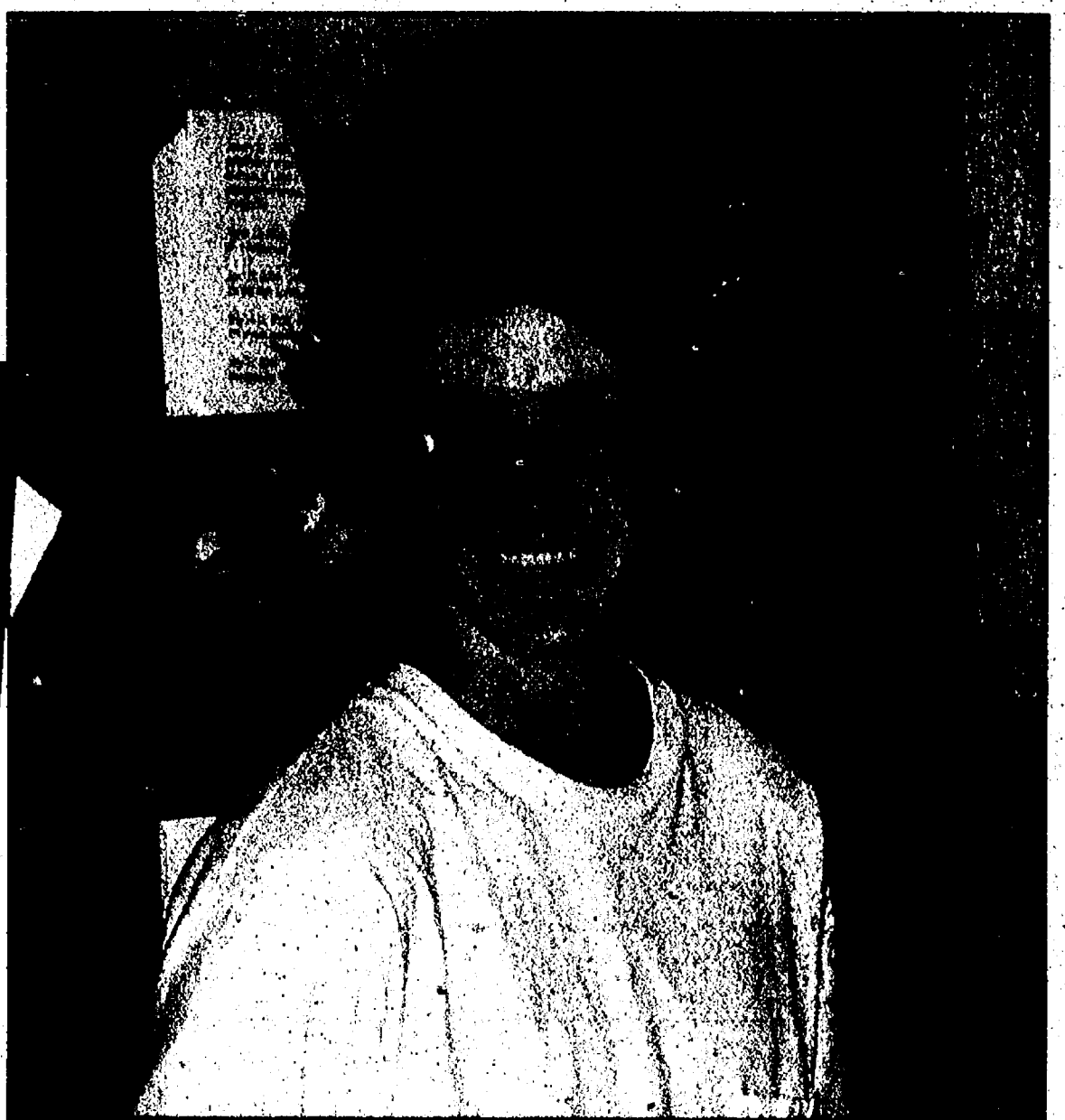


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Alex Broekhuizen catnaps during a long rehearsal.

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Danny Patton plays Charlie Bucket, who finds the winning golden ticket in a Wonka chocolate bar.



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MICHELLE MITCHELL

REC BEAT

Chelsea Rec to upgrade fields

Thank you, University of Michigan baseball coaches.

On March 22, U of M's head baseball coach Rich Maloney and pitching coach John Lowery shared secrets of the trade with recreation coaches.

Maloney and Lowery covered topics such as proper throwing, catching, fielding and batting techniques. Simple drills were taught to coaches to help develop proper mechanics for players.

"I found the clinic very informative," said Chelsea Recreation coach Rory Kaiser. "I am looking forward to passing what I learned on to the kids this year. Coach Maloney and Coach Lowery were very articulate in sharing their knowledge with the group."

Again, thank you Coach Maloney and Coach Lowery for taking time out of your busy schedule to help youth sports in Chelsea grow.

Ball Programs

The Chelsea Recreation fields are getting a facelift.

Spring is here, and that means baseball and softball are around the corner.

Boys completing first and second grade, as well as girls completing first through fourth grades, are in for a treat this baseball and softball season.

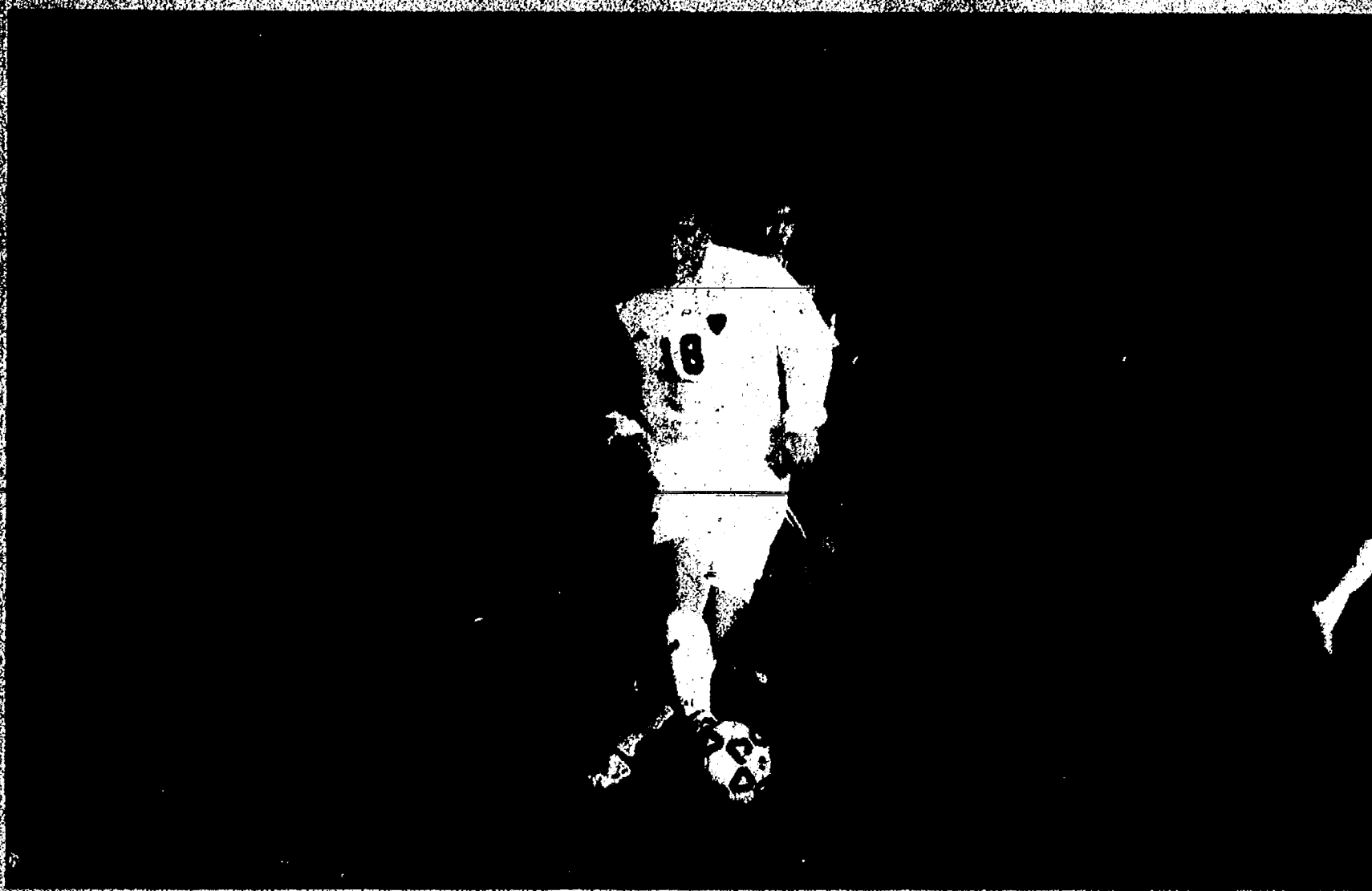
South Meadows' fields are being renovated. Chelsea Recreation secured grant funds from the Chelsea Community Foundation for all the material applied. Our partner, the Chelsea School District Maintenance and Operations Department, will be providing its expertise and labor under the direction of Ron Livengood, director of operations.

The fields will be tilled and all organic matter will be removed. A layer of limestone and black slag will be applied. The infield compound will be covered with red infield clay. Clay bricks will also be installed in the batter's boxes and on the pitcher's mound. New pitcher's mounds and home plates will also be installed.

Not only will the fields look beautiful, but also they will be fully functional and safe. No longer will the children play on fields that are infested with weeds and gravel. The weeds created trip hazards and the gravel

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A dream realized



Chelsea senior Chris Ruikka committed to play soccer at Spring Arbor University earlier this month. This past season, Ruikka had four goals and five assists.

Ruikka signs to play soccer at Spring Arbor

Don Richter
Sports Editor

They say good things happen to good people.

It's no surprise then that Chelsea's Chris Ruikka signed a soccer scholarship earlier this month with Spring Arbor University.

Ruikka, a senior center forward, is a perfect example of how hard work, perseverance and a strong attitude can propel an athlete to heights previously thought unattainable.

"I felt extremely privileged to have Chris on the team," said Chelsea coach Chad Scaling. "He is a great soccer player. But, more than that, he is a great person. He has an extremely high work ethic, and is dedicated to being the best at what he does."

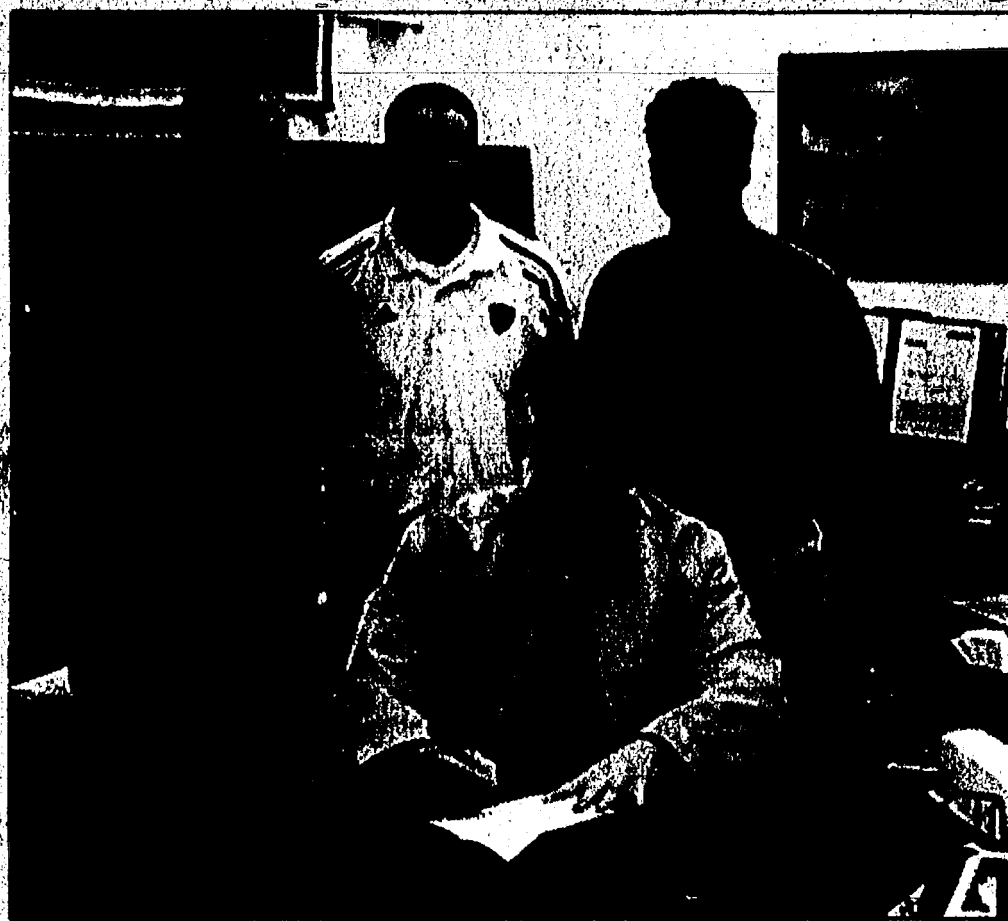
Add to that his tremendous character and passion for his faith, and you end up with the high-quality person that he is. I have been blessed to know Chris and his family, and his presence will be missed, both on and off the soccer field."

A rugged leader on the field for Chelsea, Ruikka is a four-year varsity player, reaching the program's highest level as a freshman.

"We used him as a defender as a freshman and sophomore," Scaling said. "He was outstanding at marking and in 1-on-1 situations."

In his junior and senior seasons, Ruikka was moved to center midfield.

"He played extremely well there," Scaling said. "His defensive abilities really helped in the middle, and his offensive capabilities



Bulldog soccer player Chris Ruikka signs his scholarship to play college soccer at Spring Arbor University. Standing behind him are Chelsea Athletic Director Wayne Welton (left), Chelsea soccer coach Chad Scaling and Spring Arbor soccer coach Anil Joseph.

ties really added to our attack this senior season."

Ruikka, who scored four goals and had 12 assists this past year, said having the opportunity to play soccer at the next level is exciting.

"It's a dream come true," he said. "I never expected it would happen."

Ruikka, who said he plans to major in ministry, said Spring Arbor is the right choice for him.

"They have a quality (soccer) program, and I got along with their coach (Anil Joseph) really well," he said. "He's an easy-going guy."

Though Ruikka felt comfortable around Joseph, it was an extra act of respect by his future coach that sold him on Spring Arbor.

"He came over for a visit, and had dinner at our house," Ruikka said. "My parents were there. The (Spring Arbor) assistant

coach came, too. I thought that was pretty nice."

Ruikka, who was also recruited by Cedarville College in Ohio and Indiana Wesleyan, said he hopes to see action next season.

"My coach (Joseph) said he felt I could be an impact player," he said. "I would love to win a championship someday."

In his high school career, Ruikka won plenty of titles, including helping Chelsea capture three consecutive Southeastern Conference White Division crowns.

"Chris is a strong player," Scaling said. "He understands how to play both sides of the ball. He has a great combination of finesse with hustle, determination and strength."

"He will step in and play well in college. He will have to adjust to the speed of play at the next level and, when

he does that, he will be a strong college player."

Ruikka said he owes a lot of his success to Scaling. "He taught me what the term 'hard work' really meant," he said. "He pushed us (team) during the season, and in the off-season. He had us train all year."

During the past four years, Scaling and Ruikka have made a strong combo. Each has helped the other achieve goals.

Behind Ruikka, Scaling, who's in his fifth season as Chelsea coach, has built the Bulldogs into one of the top soccer programs in the area. Scaling, on the other hand, has helped Ruikka realize his dream of playing college soccer.

As they say, good things happen to good people.

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Bulldog track outruns Panthers

Welshans captures two events for Chelsea in dual meet

Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' track and field team defeated Stockbridge 74-61 despite blustery, windy conditions April 1.

Pacing the host Bulldogs was Ashli Welshans. The senior was a double-winner for Chelsea, capturing the discus with a toss of 101-feet, 5 inches, and the 100-meter dash in 14.2.

Alice Gauvin finished first in the 1,600-meter run, crossing the line in 6:12.8, while teammate Shannon Kinner won the 400-meter run, with a time of 1:07.5.

In the 200-meter dash, Bulldog Hillary Phillips bested the field, placing first in 31.3.

In the 3,200-meter relay, the Chelsea foursome of Katie Grabarkiewicz, Anna Drow, Gauvin and Kinner finished first, while the quartet of Elise Dunn, Kelly Catalina, Gauvin and Kinner placed first in the 1,600-meter relay.

In field events, Chelsey Verardi ended up first in the high jump with a mark of 4-4. Lauren Williams was tops in the pole vault with a 7-6, while Dunn finished first in the long jump with a leap of 13-1 1/2 for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea's Kelly Anderson placed second in the shot put and third in discus.

In hurdles, the Bulldogs' Ali York was second in the 300-meter event and third in the 100-meter competition.

Nicole Bougher finished third in the 800-meter run and in the 1,600-meter run for Chelsea.

In the 100-meter dash, Emily Bradburn placed second, while Katelyn Ciaccio was third in the 400-meter run and Drow second in the 800-meter run for the Bulldogs.

Rounding out the scoring for Chelsea was Ashley Houle, who finished second in the 3,200-meter run, Caitlin Dronen, who was third in the 3,200-meter run, and Catalina, who ended up second in the 200-meter dash.

"Given the winds, the times don't mean a lot," said Chelsea coach Bill Bainton. "But it was a good chance for both (teams) to learn more about (themselves) before we start our league seasons."

On March 30, Chelsea opened its season indoors, at the Wolverine Invitational on the campus of the University of Michigan.

Though unable to medal in the highly competitive meet, the Bulldogs performed well.

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Rugby club blanks Northville

The Washtenaw Rugby Football Club opened its season with an impressive 41-0 win over Northville last week.

The "A" match was played at the local club's home site of Freeman Field in Dixboro.

The club is made up of high school-age players from Dexter, Saline, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Ann Arbor Greenhills, Ann Arbor Huron, Ann Arbor Community and Ypsilanti Lincoln high schools.

Pioneer's Sam Miller paced the squad with three tries (a try is worth five points). Saline's Joe Sheridan and J.D. Ackerman, and Pioneer's Jon Rickman and Blaine

Kunneman each added a try. Ackerman also kicked three conversions for a total of six points.

In the "B" game, Northville defeated Washtenaw 17-5.

Saline's Jason Dannefel scored the local club's lone try.

The Washtenaw team is open to all high school-age players 14 to 18 years old.

The club next hosts Howell 5:30 p.m. at Freeman Field next week.

For more information about the team, call Jack Atkinson at 647-0997 or e-mail him at magnette@umich.edu.

BOWLING

GIRLS JUST WANNA HAVE FUN - 4-06-04

	W	L
Greenwood Acres	68	37
Thompson's Pizzeria	65	40
Chelsea State Bank	65	40
Marshall Motors	50	55
Rathbuns BBB	35	70
Chuck Elkins Excavating	30	75
High Game: Jody Wenk, 257		
High Series: Jody Wenk, 683		

CHELSEA SUBURBAN - 4-07-04

	W	L
Chelsea Lanes	127	76
Vogel's Party Store	124	79
Creative Stitchery	117	86
Schulz Enterprises	111	92
Flow Ezy	97	106
Veterans Cab	96	107
R.G. Scrappers	92	111
A & W	91	112
S-D	87	116
Gaul Painting	73	130
High Game: Jennifer Guenther, 224		
High Series: Deb Vanorman, 562		

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS - 4-07-04

	W	L
The Grillers	508	389
Room 321	487.5	412.5
Mommy's Girls	489.5	430.5
Executive Suite	456.5	440.5
All Most	447	453
Gutter Snipes	433.5	466.5
Sisters	428.5	471.5
Suite 50	337.5	559.5
High Game: Beth Salyer, 227		
High Series: Beth Salyer, 601		

SENIOR FUN TIME - 4-07-04

	W	L
Alley Cats	66	32
Pais	60	38
Wild Ones	58	40

The New Kids

	W	L
Sand Beggars	56	42
Three Cookies	55.5	42.5
Two Gals & A Guy	55	43
K & C	53	45
Hit or Miss	49	49
Good Timers	49	49
Go Getters	46	52
Spoilers	43	55
Coach & Experts	41	57
Sugar Loafers	41	57
Hot Shots	40	58
Spare Ribs	39	59
Keglers	38	60
Squares	37	61
High Game: Kathy Haywood, 178; Jerry Emery, 234		
High Series: Kathy Haywood, 505; Jerry Emery, 111		

YOUTH MIXED LEAGUE - 4-10-04

	W	L
Lucky 7	135.5	74.5
Red Wings	133	77
Crazy Eight	130	80
Unleashed	124	86
Wicked Rydz	118	94
We Are Family	103	107
Slackers	86.5	123.5
Gutter Dusters	86	124
Double Digitz	51	138
Vacant Team	0	189
High Game: Kayla Pepper, 226; Drew Calus, 257		
High Series: Kayla Pepper, 600; Drew Calus, 707		

LEFTOVERS - 4-04-04

	W	L
Family Circus	70	42
You're Up	66	46
Ghost	65	47
Bye Bye Pins	65	47
Empty Threats	63	49

Gutter Dusters

	W	L
S & M	61	51
Team 16	60	52
The Honeymoon is Over	58	54
Bombers	58	54
Fourth Gear	55	57
M & M's	54	58
Having Fun	51	61
Missy's Misfits	49	63
The Gang	49	63
Team 17	43	69
Flaunt It	41	71
Our Aching Bones	38	74
High Game: Kathy Weaver, 215; Matt Tridale, 264		
High Series: Debra Vanorman, 587; Matt Tridale, 722		

MED MORNING MIXED - 4-10-04

	W	L
Striker Girls	128	82
Meteorites	110	100
The Cheese Demons	104	106
Team Victory	104	106
3's Company	101	109
Pin Busters	98	112
High Game: Kandy Cook, 97; Chris McCoy, 163		
High Series: Kandy Cook, 273; Chris McCoy, 444		

FRIDAY'S FRIENDS - 4-02-04

	W	L
The Holy Rollers	63	35
The Rolling Stones	58	40
Chelsea Lanes	57	41
The Wizards	56	42
The Mamas & Papas	54	44
Jackson Road Rollers	53	45
MTF Secretariat	51	47
New Kids on the Block	47	51
Great Balls of Fire	46	52
The Dead Heads	43	55
Russ & The Pretenders	26	72
Empty Team	0	98
High Game: Dawn Weatherwax, 248; Kevin Warren, 250		
High Series: Dawn Weatherwax, 658; Ron Zatorski, 642		

RESTAURANT WARS - 4-09-04

	W	L
Mark IV Lounge	47	23
Chelsea McDonalds #4	47	23
Chelsea McDonalds #3	44	26
Chelsea Subway	43	27
Chelsea McDonalds #1	34	36
Baker Rd. McDonalds	31	39
Chelsea McDonalds #2	28	42
Open for Business	0	70
High Game: Heather GreenLeaf, 163; Michael Calus, 216		
High Series: Heather GreenLeaf, 461; Michael Calus, 542		

Chelsea's Alyssa Young won five medals at last week's youth gymnastics meet in Westland.



Young wins medals

Chelsea's Alyssa Young will have to make more room on her shelves after last weekend's performance at a youth gymnastics meet in Westland.

The 11-year-old, fifth-grader at South Meadows Elementary School, had a meet to remember last Saturday.

Young competed in five events at the Level 7 competition, scoring at least a 9.0 in every event.

On bars, Young finished first with a score of 9.45, while on beam she bested the field with a mark of 9.4.

On floor, she placed second with a tally of 9.1, while on vault she also finished second with a 9.0 score.

In the final all-around standings, Young topped all-comers with a mark of 36.95.

Young trains at Michigan

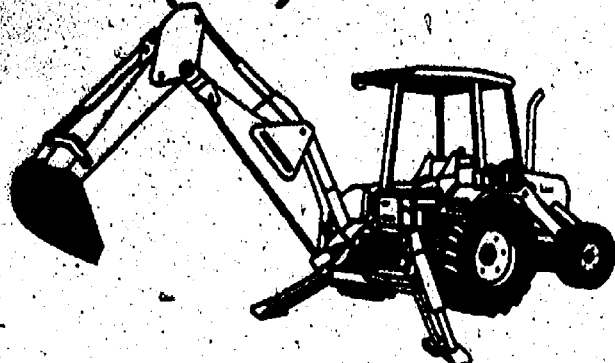
Academy of Gymnastics. She is coached by David Arnold and Jenette Nemeth.

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Spring Training



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Chelsea softball gathers for a picture at the College of Charleston in South Carolina last week. The Bulldogs traveled down South to participate in spring training in preparation for the upcoming season. Chelsea, the two-time defending Division II state champion, begins its quest for a third straight title 4 p.m. today at home against Monroe St. Mary Catholic. Members of the squad include: front row, assistant coach Jenni Driskill (left) and assistant coach Stephanie Volpe; second row, Danielle McClelland (left), Nicole Collins, Katie Herman, Alise Augustine, Katrina Moffett, Jenna Connelly, Becky Sprague and Missy Morcoin; third row, Mary Beth Zielinski (left), Mary Kate Setta, Christyna Toon, Annie Guertin, Tawny McSweeney, Brynna Darwin and Trisha Terns; back row, assistant coach Chris DeFant (left), Kay Szcedronski, assistant coach Mark Musolf, Kelly Jo Milliken, Megan Nadolny, assistant coach Bob Moffett and head coach Kim Reichard.

Local athletes spark Albion College teams

Chelsea native Meghan Tandy helped lead Albion College to a tri-meet victory over Alma College 112-80 and Olivet College 142-20 last Saturday in women's Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association track and field.

The sophomore athlete finished second in the javelin throw with a toss of 102-feet, 6 inches.

On the ball field, Chelsea native sophomore Jenelle Vleck recorded three RBIs, including a two-run double, in the Britons' (5-3) softball doubleheader sweep of Hillsdale College 3-0, 3-2 last week.

In baseball, former

Chelsea standout Brian Sayers continued his fine season for Albion (5-1), finishing 7-for-19 in three games last week.

A junior shortstop, Sayers also scored six runs, had four RBIs and hit a home run in the Britons' victories over Kalamazoo College.

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Chelsea Recreation Director Michelle Mitchell checks out the red clay at one of two South Meadows Elementary School ball fields. Both diamonds were renovated in preparation for the upcoming youth baseball and softball seasons.

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created an unsafe surface when sliding.

In the past, on dry days, the fields would blow dust around creating an unhealthy breathing environment. This year, the fields will be dust-free. No longer will the coaches have to fill large holes in the batter's boxes, or on the pitching mound to create a safe playing field. The clay bricks installed in the batting boxes and on the pitching mounds will create a strong foundation that is designed to resist major dig-outs and erosion.

Drainage is another problem being addressed in the renovation phase. Beach Middle School baseball field No. 2 (the field closest to Mayer Drive) will be renovated, as well.

The field will be tilled and all organic matter removed. A 500-foot under drain will be installed and surrounded

by pea stone. All excavated material from the trench will be removed. Black slag will be incorporated into the field. Clay bricks will be installed in the batter's boxes and on the pitcher's mound.

New pitcher's mounds and home plates also will be installed. Because of budgetary constraints, the red infield clay will not be incorporated into the Beach field.

Even without the red clay, the field will be greatly improved. The field will be fully functional and safe. Once again, the clay bricks installed in the batting boxes and on the pitching mounds will create a strong foundation designed to resist major dig-outs and erosion.

In theory the field, with the compound and the under drain system installed will allow the field to drain more efficiently, which will create a safe playing surface and more opportunities to play.

As for the other fields in the district, Chelsea

Recreation will continue to apply for grants to renovate and create a safer environment for all children.

Chelsea Recreation still has team openings available for the Monday co-ed league, Tuesday women's league, Wednesday co-ed league and Friday "Just for Fun" co-ed league.

Players may sign up for leagues as an individual, small group or a team. We will make every attempt to place individuals and small groups on a team. Team fee is \$690, and the fee can be paid by any combination of sponsors or players. The season begins in May and runs through July.

The number of games will be determined by the number of teams. The format of the league reflects two round robins. The team managers' meeting will be held 6 p.m. Monday at Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

For more information, call 475-1112.

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ners participated, so we got a good, early season reading on our progress," Bainton said.

In long jump, Dunn recorded a 13-4.

In the shot put, Bulldog Kelly Anderson led the squad with a heave of 29-1, while Welshans finished with a personal best throw of 28-3.

The group of Gauvin, Houle, Kinner and Grabarkiewicz crossed the line with a strong clocking of 10:55 in the 3,200-meter relay.

In the 1,600-meter relay, Emily Woodruff, Kinner, Dunn and Catalina ended up with an impressive early season time of 4:39.5 for Chelsea.

Gauvin paced the Bulldogs in the 800-meter run, stopping the clock in 2:44.7, while Grabarkiewicz finished in 2:50.6.

In the 400-meter run, Woodruff finished in 1:05.5 for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs next host their own relay 10 a.m. Saturday.

On Tuesday, Chelsea travels to Dexter for the

Southeastern Conference Jamboree at 1:30 p.m.

On April 23, the Bulldogs visit Mason to participate in its invitational at 4 p.m.

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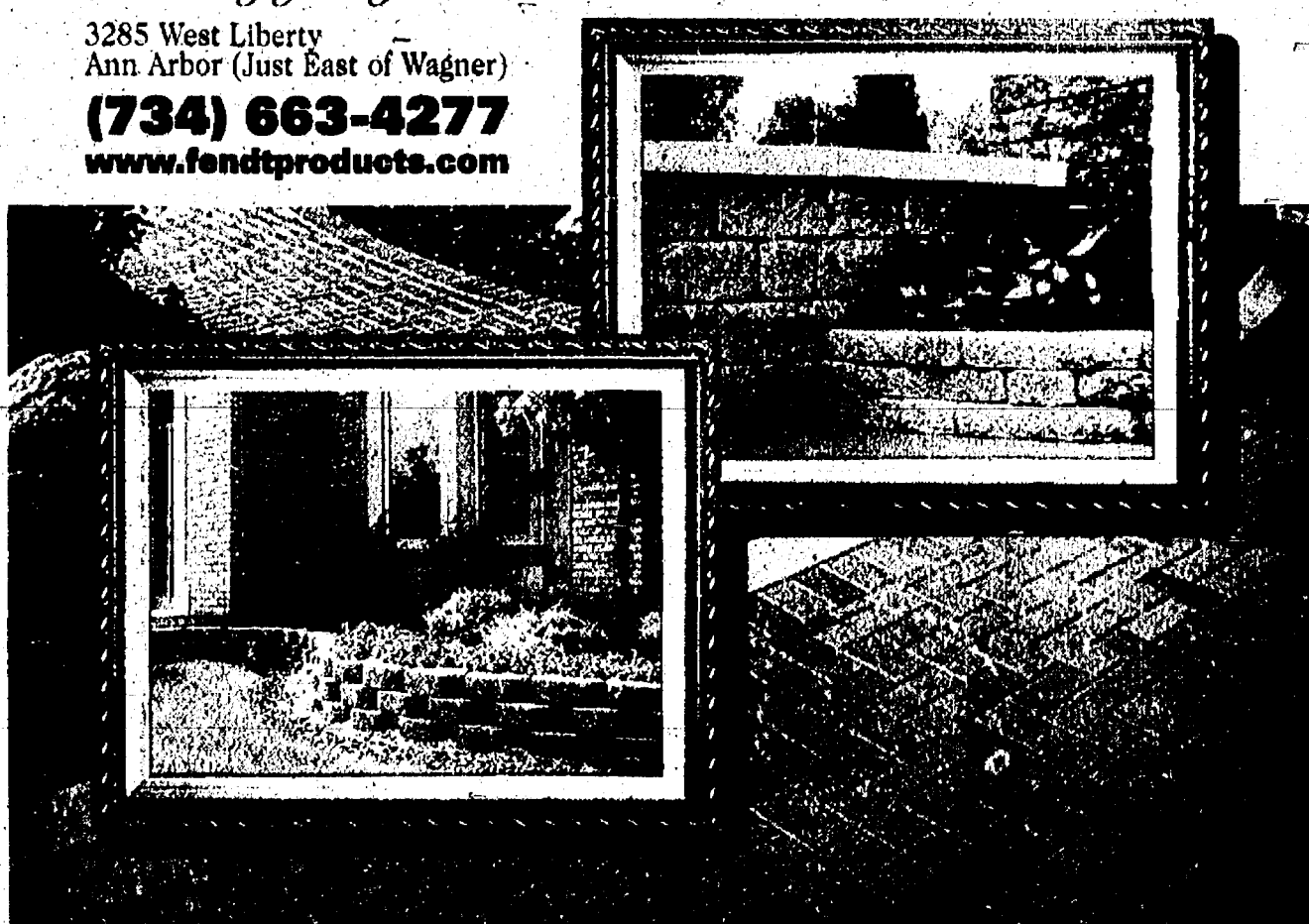
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CHELSEA

Celtic concert set April 24

National award-winning Celtic and jazz fiddler Jeremy Kittel will perform a free family concert with guitarist John Behling 2 p.m. April 24 at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St.

On May 2, Kittel will celebrate his graduation from the University of Michigan, the Stanley Medal for musical excellence and nominations for three Detroit Music Awards with a concert at the Ark, 316 S. Main St., in Ann Arbor.

Kittel will be joined at the Ark by Behling, Glenn Brady on bass, Bob Gerics on guitar and the jazz combo of Danni Friedman on tenor sax, John Nam on piano, Andrew Kratzat on bass and Chad Hochberg on drums.

Kittel is rapidly earning a reputation as one of the nation's top young traditional musicians, performing Scottish, Irish, jazz, classical and bluegrass music.

Winner of the U.S. National Scottish Fiddle Championship in 2000, Kittel won the Junior National Scottish title the previous two years and qualified for

the All-Ireland for Irish Fiddling four consecutive years.

In 2003, he won both the American String Teacher Association Alfred Award for Best Improvisation and the International Association for Jazz Education Award for Best Jazz Performance at the ASTA/National Band and Orchestra Association Alternative Styles Competition.

Last fall, Kittel was awarded the Daniel Pearl Memorial Violin, and performed with the Turtle Island String Quartet. At graduation, he will be presented with the highest undergraduate honor from the School of Music, the Stanley Medal for Scholastic and Musical Achievement.

Kittel has performed at hundreds of concerts and festivals over the past five years, including the Millennium Stage of the Kennedy Center, "A Prairie Home Companion," Chicago Celtic Fest, Bethlehem Musikfest and Milwaukee Irish Fest.

His first CD, "Celtic Fiddle," was called "one of the top 20 Celtic albums of 2000, and certainly the best

by a new young artist," by the syndicated radio show Celtic Connections.

His second release, "Roaming," received praise from a broad range of publications. It has received airtime across the country, and was recently nominated for a 2004 Detroit Music Award for Outstanding Acoustic/Folk Recording.

Kittel also received nominations for Outstanding Acoustic/Folk Instrumentalist and Outstanding Folk Artist.

Milwaukee native John Behling has performed throughout the Midwest since 1986. He draws upon years of experience in jazz, folk and popular music to forge his unique and progressive style of guitar accompaniment.

He has appeared with artists such as Claude "Fiddler" Williams, Patti Page and Mike Metheny. He also leads his own jazz trio. Their CD, "Maybe I'll Fall," was released in 1999. He



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holds a master's degree in guitar performance from the University of Arkansas and is a doctoral candidate in ethnomusicology at the University of Michigan.

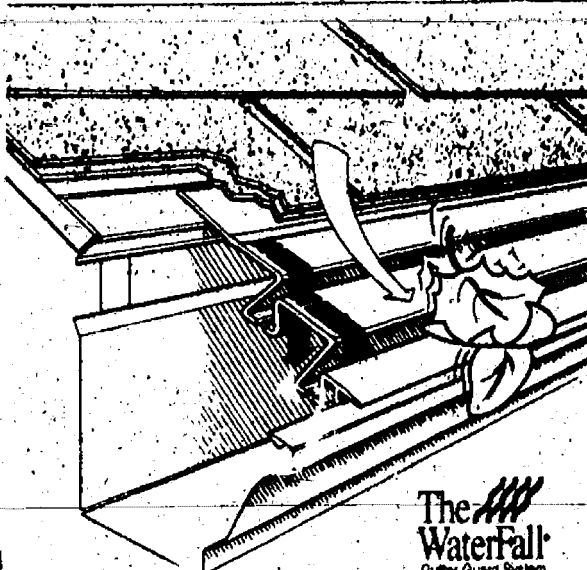
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Art exhibit set to open Saturday

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Featured artisans include Bill Darwin, stained glass; Marsi Parker Darwin, stained and etched glass; JoAnne Darwin, stained

glass; Annette Baron, blown glass; Jerry Harty, fused glass; and Barbara Yerace, blown glass.

An opening reception with refreshments will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday. The artisans will be in attendance with an extensive inventory of their latest works.

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Poetry events on tap

As part of the fifth annual Poetry Competition and Celebration, Cranesbill Books and Music, located at 108 E. Middle St. in downtown Chelsea, will host two free events this weekend.

At 2 p.m. Saturday, noted Royal Oak poet and writing instructor Clark Iverson and University of Michigan professor Macklin Smith will read their works at the store.

"We're really excited to have such well-noted local poets here at the store as part of our poetry celebration," said Jan Loveland, owner of the book store.

"This is an exciting event for us and for our community."

At 2 p.m. Sunday, the store will host a free special poetry writing workshop for fifth-, sixth-, and seventh-graders. Local poet and creative writing specialist Susan Sheiner will host it. Youngsters should pre-register at the store.

At 2 p.m. April 24, Chelsea's nationally renowned and award-winning poet, Laura Kasischke, will read her works at Cranesbill Books.

Kasischke has written several short story and poetry novels, and has received national accolades for her work.

"We're all big fans of Laura at the store," Loveland said. "We're really fortunate to have such talented writers as Laura living right here in our community, and who are so active and involved with local events and activities."

The Poetry Competition and Celebration is co-sponsored by the Chelsea District Library.

For information about the competition, contact Cranesbill Books or the library, or pick up an entry form at either location.

Poetry winners will be announced and recognized with cash prizes at the Poetry Jam awards ceremony hosted by Alex Weddon. The event will be held 7 p.m. April 29 at the library, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

For more information, call Cranesbill Books at 433-2665 or the library at 475-8732.



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Musical Medley

Nick Harris (left) and Ryan Kelley rehearse for tomorrow's Lullaby Concert set for 7 p.m. at Chelsea High School. A fund-raising dinner and concert will be held 6 p.m. Saturday, also at the high school.

CHELSEA

Travel show set April 22

Senior Connections continues 10 a.m. April 22 at the Chelsea District Library with a travel series presentation with Mia Gale.

Gale has lived in Australia, Sweden, Romania and California. She will share interesting stories of life around the world.

Senior Connections is a new programming initiative partially funded by the Rosebud Foundation, which allows area senior citizens to

stay independent and connected with their community.

The program, which is open to all senior citizens, is held the second and fourth Thursdays of every month.

A free bus ride provided by the Chelsea Area Transportation System is available to those living within the library's district.

A \$2 lunch is also available at the Chelsea Nutrition

Program, located at Faith In Action, following the program.

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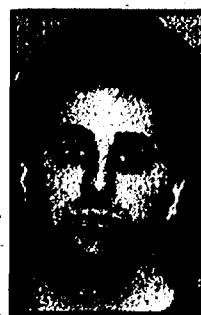
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CHELSEA

Purple Rose presents delightful farce



BILL HOHNKE

PLAY REVIEW

"Under — that's where the danger lies," declares Theo Maske to his wife, Louise, in the opening scene of "The Underpants," a lively farce written by Carl Sternheim and brilliantly adapted by Steve Martin.

The Purple Rose Theatre Co. transports the audience to Dusseldorf, Germany, in 1910, where we literally peer through the walls of Theo's apartment for rent.

By some "bizarre" stroke of fate, Louise (Emily Phenix) drops her underwear while trying to see the king during a parade. When this becomes the buzz of the town, Louise's chauvinistic husband, Theo (Wayne David Parker), is horrified at the attention she's attracting.

Sarab Kamoo, who plays Louise's friend Gertrude hears everything from the apartment above and encourages Louise to capitalize on her newfound fame and finally get the first-rate lover that she always has wanted.

The first-to-shower affection is Versati (John Lepard), a poet who upon seeing Louise drop her drawers, is instantly persuaded Louise is his muse. Versati's hilarious poetic ranting is expertly delivered by Lepard. Louise rents him a room and her heart.

Randall Godwin is perfectly suited to play Ben Cohen, a skinny Jewish barber who is also infinitely excited by underpants. Theo rents the room to Cohen unwitting that Versati is also promised the room. Of course, they end up sharing it.

Theo is clueless as to the intentions that both men have toward his young wife even as Versati assures Theo, "I'll slip in and out without you knowing it."

This show is a farce, a theater genre that relies on plot twists and outrageous characters to propel the action of the show, and "The Underpants" does not fail to deliver.

Characters come and go, relationships change and all insanity breaks loose (complete with sleeping potion!).

Director Anthony Caselli has orchestrated the ensemble flawlessly. Even the transitions between scenes are amusing. Under funky polka



Sarab Kamoo (left) plays a neighbor who encourages Emily Phenix to take a lover in The Purple Rose Theatre Co.'s production of "The Underpants." The comedy runs through June 5.

music and dimmed lights, the actors mime events that occur between scenes to give the audience a deeper and more comical insight to their relationships.

The cast hits every joke in the show superbly with the intelligence Steve Martin demands. The battle of wits between Theo and Versati is a hilarious back-and-forth with bizarre wordplay. Martin's jokes range from fatally bizarre to surprisingly poignant. Anyone who is familiar with his Picasso at the Lapine Agile will recognize his style instantly.

The real fun of this show is that the sympathies of the audience toward the characters are constantly changing. There are no bad guys here, just people following their desires. When their desires change, so do our attitudes toward them. We love the mad Versati. We detest the stuffed shirt Theo. We bemoan poor Louise.

And then it's all flipped upside-down.

The set does a spectacular job at presenting an authentic apartment complete with a back bedroom that we see

as strikingly real as the rest of the set.

All the technical elements of the show respond exactly as we would expect, from footsteps upstairs to the moonlit window.

The Michigan premiere of "The Underpants" at the



Wayne David Parker (left), Randall Godwin and Emily Phenix appear in The Purple Rose Theatre Co.'s production of "The Underpants," an adaptation by Steve Martin of Carl Sternheim's classic farce.

Purple Rose is a solid comedy.

As the characters plot bizarre things around him, Theo ironically states, "People are all quick to move on to find the next sensational thing."

However, this show is one sensational thing not to be missed.

For ticket and performance information, call the Purple Rose Theatre Co. at 433-7673.

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CHELSEA

Theater holds 'Burn the Mortgage' party

The Purple Rose Theatre Co., a not-for-profit theater company founded by actor Jeff Daniels, has paid off its mortgage after a \$2.5 million capital campaign was launched in 1999.

To celebrate, a "Burn the Mortgage" party in honor of campaign donors was hosted March 30 by Board President and Domino's Pizza CEO David Brandon and his wife, Trustee Jan Brandon, at their home.

The Two By Fours, a singing quartet from Chelsea, comprising Spencer Gallagher, Ben Garrison, Leon and Luke Walters, entertained guests upon their arrival.

Hors d'oeuvres and pale purple champagne were served to toast the occasion.

Prior to the large 1999 rebuild, the theater building on Park Street stood as a gas station, bus garage, pizza parlor and even a fresh vegetables stand.

In 1990, the building was purchased by Daniels, who grew up in Chelsea, and donated to The Purple Rose Theatre Co. The theater was designed after the Circle Repertory Theatre in New York, and named The Garage Theatre because, as Daniels says, they "shoe-horned a theatre into a garage."

Ten years after opening, a capital campaign was

launched to rebuild the theater.

The building was closed for 18 months while construction for new administrative offices, stage and theater space was completed. The doors were opened again in January 2001.

The Purple Rose Theatre is located in the historic district of Chelsea. The interior has 1930s décor, with a marbled glass chandelier in the lobby and art deco doors and ticket booth, as well as a Pewabic tile with the Purple Rose logo over the entrance.

Donors' names are projected onto the west wall of the lobby. The theater has 168 seats, lending an intimacy between the audience and the stage actors.

Since 1998, The Purple Rose has been nominated three times for the American Theatre Critics Award for best new play. This award is national in scope, honoring the best new plays outside of New York City.

"We are pleased to have our mortgage paid off in just 4 1/2 years, and we are grateful to all of our donors who contributed to the capital campaign," Development Director Judy Gallagher said.

"We're getting closer to ensuring that the Purple Rose is a permanent fixture in Michigan."



Photos courtesy of The Purple Rose Theatre Co. Purple Rose founder Jeff Daniels burns the theater's mortgage in the fireplace during a March 30 party in honor of people who donated to the theater's \$2.5 million capital campaign launched in 1999.



Chelsea resident Jeff Daniels is all smiles with Purple Rose Board President David Brandon, the CEO of Domino's Pizza, during a party to burn the theater's mortgage. Brandon and his wife, Jan, opened their home for the occasion.

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Cancer awareness event set April 22

St. Joseph Mercy Cancer Care Center will hold a free prostate cancer awareness event from 3:30 to 6 p.m. April 22 at the cancer center, located on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5301 E. Huron River Drive, in Superior Township.

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By Jennifer Decker
21st Century Newspapers

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—"The Race," N.R.G.

Just in time for this year's election for the U.S. presidency, a Michigan band has released a single titled "The Race," complete with artwork depicting a donkey sitting on the flag looking at an elephant.

N.R.G. is a four-man group that's been together for two years. The name stands for "energy" and also for "never

reject God."

N.R.G. consists of Michael Lisiewski of Brown City as lead vocalist, music writer and rhythm guitarist; Gary Barrow of Imlay City, drummer; Chris Woodley of Lake Orion, lead guitarist; and Eric Evenson of Utica, bassist.

Lisiewski described N.R.G.'s music as "spiritual, Christian, hard rock, soft rock — we do it all," he said.

Recently released, profits from "The Race" will go to benefit muscular dystrophy and multiple sclerosis. Lisiewski is looking for other places to sell the single.

"The Race" just got released," Lisiewski said, describing the single as serious, yet tongue-in-cheek. "It starts with circus music."

"Anyone who's heard our presidential election and promises... they are a joke," he said. "The artwork is an American flag with a donkey (symbolic of the Democratic Party) sitting on it. An elephant (symbolic of the Republican Party) is walking by below. It worked out that way. It looks like the donkey's mad at the elephant."

"My inspiration is sometimes you

watch the news and candidates make all these promises. If we took the money they spent on campaigns, our children wouldn't be in trouble at school."

Lisiewski said the single is not written toward any one particular political candidate or party, but is aimed at empty campaign promises.

Lisiewski said he's from the baby boomer-era, and his musical influences are the Rolling Stones, the Electric Light Orchestra, the Beatles and Queen. Barrow's musical influence is Neal Peart, lead drummer of Rush; for Woodley, it is the late Stevie Ray Vaughan; and for Evenson, Led Zeppelin.

"We're looking to do major festivals that are for all ages," he said. "We don't use any profanity."

What is N.R.G.'s goal? "To become the most requested original rock band from Brown City," he said.

N.R.G. is looking for gigs and to entertain at other charity performances. For more information on "The Race" or N.R.G., call 1-588-618-1775.



CHELSEA-DEXTER

New president named at FIA

Frank Grohnert of Chelsea has been elected to fill the remainder of the Rev. Richard Dake's term as president of Faith In Action.

Dake, who resigned March 2, has been transferred to the United Methodist Church in Clarkston, where he will serve as senior pastor. His last Sunday at Chelsea United Methodist Church will be June 20.

Grohnert will head up a board that includes Nancy Siegrist as vice president, Judy Wheeler as secretary, Dennis McDonald as treasurer and Anne Comeau as past president. Nancy Paul serves as director of Faith In Action.

"The FIA board will miss

the dynamic leadership and vision that Reverend Dake exemplified during his time on the board," Grohnert said.

"I'm looking forward to completing Reverend Dake's term as president and I'm confident that the entire board can step up to fulfill the goals that Reverend Dake set for FIA for the coming year."

Grohnert said that Dake left the community with a belief that the FIA ministry is heading in a positive direction, and that there will be opportunities for growth and development of services the agency provides.

One of those opportunities, Grohnert said, is the FIA Dinner and Silent Auction,

which will be held 6 p.m. April 24 at Chelsea Community Hospital.

"This is FIA's major fund-raising event and supports its mission to be a community-funded, faith-based assistance and resource center for families and individuals who need a helping hand in the Chelsea-Dexter area," he said.

At the dinner, in light of their humanitarian roles in the community, Ann Feeney and Mary Ann Merkel will be the joint recipients of this year's Howard Holmes Humanitarian of the Year Award.

"With a broad range of community contributions, which include founding the

Meals on Wheels program here in 1973 and continuing to this day, Ann Feeney and Mary Ann Merkel have shown a lifelong dedication to improving the quality of life for all of Chelsea's citizens," Grohnert said.

Tickets for the evening are \$60 per person or \$325 for a table of six, which can be obtained from FIA at 475-3305.

Chelsea Community Hospital again will provide the dining room, food and service for the event so that all the proceeds will benefit FIA programs, Grohnert said.

The evening will include dinner, fellowship, music by the Chelsea High School Jazz Saxophone Group, a silent auction, and recognition of community leaders.

Nature Artist

Nature-studies artist Susan Falcone will join stained-glass artist Marsi Darwin, artist Candace Pappas and doll creator Tracy Gallup for the 4Friends Spring Art Sale from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 2 at the Chelsea Depot, 128 Jackson St. Students also will be on hand selling potted flowers to raise funds for an exchange trip to Shimizu, Japan, this summer.

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ANN ARBOR

Volunteers needed for bird training

The Humane Society of Huron Valley in Ann Arbor is looking for volunteers who love birds to train as bird rehabilitators.

Bird Aid is sponsoring a training workshop from 9 a.m. to noon April 24 at Washtenaw Community College.

Training will cover raising and caring for orphaned and injured birds, their dietary and housing requirements, and government regulations.

The \$10 fee includes workshop materials and refreshments. Two people may attend for \$10 with one set of materials.

To register, call Carol Akerlof of Bird Aid at 973-9579.

The Humane Society of Huron Valley works in cooperation with Bird Aid to provide rehabilitation for orphaned and injured birds.

The Humane Society of

Huron Valley shelter is open to the public from noon to 6 p.m., seven days a week and

is located at 3100 Cherry Hill Road in Ann Arbor, south of Plymouth Road.

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ANN ARBOR

Spring tea set April 24

Ten Thousand Villages of Huron Valley will host a spring tea from 2 to 5 p.m. April 24 at the Huron Hills Baptist Church, 3150 Glazier Way, in Ann Arbor.

The event will feature entertainment, a style show, food and sale of products.

Flower arranging will include demonstrations of traditional, container gardening and backyard floral. The arrangers represent more than 45 years of experience in their areas of expertise. All containers will be from the Ten Thousand Villages collection.

Music will include light and classical flute and cello offerings by professional community musicians.

An international style show will feature bride and

groom costumes from Guatemala, Chile, Thailand, Indonesia, East Africa and India.

The Ten Thousand Villages products for sale will include the latest in new fabrics, decorator and kitchen art, jewelry and garden containers. They come from 30 different countries. All items are from fair trade artisan groups.

A self-supporting alternative trading organization, Ten Thousand Villages works to improve the quality of life of artisans from around the world by marketing their handicrafts in North America. It markets fairly traded, handcrafted items produced in accordance with high ethical standards in work places that do not exploit people or the environment.

According to the organization, it works to create economic opportunities for craftspeople around the world through the practice of fair trade and to attempt to increase global understanding by telling the artisans' stories.

Ten Thousand Villages of Huron Valley will help to create a marketplace in Ann Arbor for artisans' products from around the world.

Tickets are \$15, with proceeds going toward the opening of a store in Ann Arbor next summer. For tickets and more information, call Norene Kanagy at 434-2983.



Photo by Rita Fischer

Award-Winning Art

Max McLaughlin (left) and Schuyler Adkins, sixth-graders at South Meadows Elementary School, have had artwork chosen for a student art exhibit at the Michigan Department of History, Arts and Libraries. Their artwork, created with a compass and gel pen, is among 10 pieces chosen to represent all students in Michigan.

ANN ARBOR

Dance showcase slated for May 16

Dance Gallery Studio, Ann Arbor's center for dance and home of the Peter Sparling Dance Co., will host the Showcase of Dance 2 p.m. May 16 at 815 Wildt St., in downtown Ann Arbor.

The performance will feature demonstrations by children and adults. Highlights will include special performances by the Dance Gallery Youth Repertory Ensemble. For more information, call 747-8885.

CHELSEA

Foundation awards grants

The Chelsea Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan, recently awarded \$25,000 in grants to two nonprofit organizations to support projects that benefit the greater Chelsea community.

Grants awarded by the foundation include:

● A total of \$15,000 to the Purple Rose Theatre Co. for support to implement a new audience development plan. The plan will work to recruit individuals with national reputations in literature and the arts as playwrights as a method to help build a strong audience base for the theater.

Another key outcome of the plan should be an increase in the number of theater-related customers shopping at local Chelsea businesses, with the goal of helping the community, as well as the theater.

● A total of \$10,000 to the Chelsea Area Transportation System for the purchase of office equipment and furniture. CATS was founded in 1976 to provide affordable transportation to area residents, in particular senior citizens and the disabled.

The use of the local bus system is increasing, as the number of rides rose by 25 percent last year, from 8,000 to 12,000.

Existing worn furniture and supplies will be replaced. In particular, there is a need to upgrade the computer systems, an integral part of the transportation dispatch service.

The Chelsea Community Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment fund that provides an ongoing source of revenue for programs and activities deemed worthwhile in the Chelsea community.

Founded in December 1995, the foundation is a nearly \$1.1 million permanent charitable endowment and has awarded more than \$430,000 in grants to organizations working to improve the quality of life in Chelsea and surrounding communities.

For more information, call 475-9891 or visit www.cfsem.org and www.chelseaweb.com/cfcf.

The Chelsea Community Foundation is an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan.

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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. at the Webster Township Hall at 5665 Webster Church Rd., Dexter Michigan.

Agenda: Changes in the Master Plan to expand the existing MHP planned area.

Those with disabilities must notify the Township Clerk no less than seven days prior to the meeting, so that accommodations may be furnished to satisfy their disability and allow for meaningful attendance.

Written comments may be made in advance at the above address.

John Kingsley, Chairman

LIMA TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Lima Township Board was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on April 5, 2004 and opened with the Pledge to the Flag. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Barels, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laler and Zoning Administrator Wesolowski. Also present a number of residents and guests.

Motion by Laler supported by Havens to approve the March 1 regular meeting, March 9, budget hearing, and March 11 annual meeting with the Washtenaw County Road Commission minutes. Carried.

The treasurer's report was received.

Zoning Administrator issued 2 new addresses, and permits for 1 commercial building, 7 new homes and a pole barn.

Motion by Barels supported by McKenzie to table the Dexter Area Fire Department Fire Protection Ordinance Proposal to the May agenda. Carried.

Motion by Barels supported by Laler to approve the Dexter-Chelsea Road Conceptual Plan introduced by Frank Del Vecchio. The road commission should contact all property owners and make them aware of the proposed plan before the township gives whole hearted support of the project. Carried. Motion by McKenzie supported by Havens to accept the resignation of Assessor Marcel Batts. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to adopt the Lima Township Budget for 2004-05, including officials salaries, as proposed, having held a public hearing on March 9, 2004, with the understanding that estimated expenses exceed estimated revenues and balance would come from fund balance. Ayes: Havens, Laler, McKenzie, Barels and Unterbrink. Nays: None.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to adopt the following salary schedule, planning commission and zoning board of appeals member \$65.00 per meeting, chair \$95.00 per meeting, zoning administrator \$20.00 per hour, secretary \$13.40 per hour, custodian \$135.00 per month, election workers \$9.50 per hour, \$50.00 for chair person, board of review \$12.00 per hour. Ayes: Havens, McKenzie, Laler, Barels and Unterbrink. Nays: None.

Motion by Havens supported by Laler to adopt the 1% administration fee for the administration of taxes. Carried.

Motion by Barels supported by Laler to use road commission matching funds to apply 2 coats of Kaiser Well brine at \$9,295.00 per application, also, the balance of matching funds to be used at a later date or escrowed with the Road Commission to 2005. Carried.

Motion by Barels supported by Laler to sign the merger document consenting to the merger of the two Century Tel affiliated companies. Carried.

Motion by Barels supported by Laler to send a voluntary contribution as requested to MTA Legal Defense Fund to support Wakeshma Township, Kalamazoo County in their broad assessment appeal filed by Enbridge Energy and Enbridge Pipelines (Toledo) Inc. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to support the supervisors appointments of Terry Weaner and Richard Barels to the Chelsea Area Construction Agency to December 31, 2006. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Barels to accept the appointment of Don Laler as Sylvan Township Water and Sewer Authority Alternate to December 31, 2005. Carried.

Motion by Laler supported by McKenzie to accept the appointment of Paul Frisinger to complete the Planning Commission term of Chuck Schauer to December 31, 2005. Carried.

Numerous people commented and submitted letters with reference to the Medallion Homes proposal.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to pay bills. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to respectfully decline the request of the Dexter Area Historical Society to make donations, as done in previous years, with the belief we do not have the power to make that donation. Carried.

Motion by Laler supported by Havens to adjourn at 11:40 P.M. Carried. Respectfully submitted, Arlene R. Barels, Clerk

WEBSTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday, April 13, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. at the Webster Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Rd., Dexter, Michigan, in the meeting room, to hear the following appeal:

1. Parcel Number C03-06-200-003 & 004, Michael A. Courtney, 9848 Base Lake Rd., Dexter, MI. request: 15' variance on front setback requirement for a garage with living area above, Section 4.20-a-5.

2. CORRECTION: The following issue will not be heard by the ZBA on April 13, 2004 but will be addressed by the Webster Township Board at a Public Hearing held on April 20, 2004 at 7:30 pm at the Webster Township Hall.

Parcel Number C03-31-400-009, Riemco Homes, 7727 Huron River Dr., Dexter, MI. request: variance to Section 3.11 Zoning Ordinance and Section 5-A Private Road Ordinance.

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.

Richard Kleinschmidt, Chairman
Webster Township Zoning Board of Appeals
Posted: April 8, 2004

CITY OF CHELSEA ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the City of Chelsea, Washtenaw County, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION will be held in said governmental unit on TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2004 From 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Chelsea District Library Special Election is being held to vote on the following proposition:

Shall the Chelsea District Library, formed by the Village of Chelsea, the Township of Dexter, the Township of Sylvan, the Township of Lyndon, and the Township of Lima, Washtenaw County, borrow the sum of not to exceed Eight Million Two Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$8,225,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, payable in not to exceed twenty (20) years from date of issuance, for all or a portion of that amount for the purpose of renovating, equipping, expanding, and furnishing the existing library building and acquiring and improving the site therefore? The estimated millage to be levied in 2004 is 0.87 mill (\$0.87 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 0.75 mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value).

POLLING PLACES ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS and all are accessible by handicapped: 500 Washington St., Chelsea, MI

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of April 6, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Dexter Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Washtenaw County	0.2401 mill parks	2007
	0.2415 mill parks	2009
	0.2161 mill HCMA	Indefinite
	0.2458 mill natural areas	2011
Dexter Township	0.8644 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.9192 mill fire	2004
	1.9133 mill police	2005
Washtenaw Community College	1.0557 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.5953 mill	Indefinite
	0.9666 mill	6/2011
	0.8167 mill	6/2007
Chelsea Public Schools	17.1931 mill non-homestead	2014
	2.9215 mill non-homestead	2014
Chelsea District Library	1.6909 mill	12/2019
Dexter Community Schools	18.0 mill non-homestead	2013
	2.7282 mill non-homestead	2013
Dexter Library District	0.4517 mill	Indefinite
Livingston Intermediate School District	1.0438 mill charter	Indefinite
	1.2957 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.0693 mill	Indefinite
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	3.0552 mill operating	Indefinite
Pinckney Community Schools	16.9355 mill non-homestead	12/2005
	2.8225 mill non-homestead	12/2004

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of April 6, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lima Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Washtenaw County	0.2401 mill parks	2007
	0.2415 mill parks	2009
	0.2161 mill HCMA	Indefinite
	0.2458 mill natural areas	2011
Lima Township	0.8931 mill charter	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.0557 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.5953 mill	Indefinite
	0.9666 mill	6/2011
	0.8167 mill	6/2007
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	3.0552 mill operating	Indefinite
Chelsea Public Schools	17.1931 mill non-homestead	2014
	2.9215 mill non-homestead	2014
Chelsea District Library	1.6909 mill	12/2019
Dexter Community Schools	18.0000 mill non-homestead	2013
	2.7282 mill non-homestead	2013
Dexter Library District	0.4517 mill	Indefinite

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of April 6, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lyndon Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Washtenaw County	0.2401 mill parks	2007
	0.2415 mill parks	2009
	0.2161 mill HCMA	Indefinite
	0.2458 mill natural areas	2011
Lyndon Township	0.7657 mill charter	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.0557 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.5953 mill	Indefinite
	0.9666 mill	6/2011
	0.8167 mill	6/2007
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	3.0552 mill charter	Indefinite
Ingham Intermediate School District	4.5555 mill charter	Indefinite
	1.3082 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.1916 mill operating	Indefinite
Chelsea Public Schools	17.1931 mill non-homestead	2014
	2.9215 mill non-homestead	2014
Chelsea District Library	1.6909 mill	12/2019
Stockbridge Public Schools	15.6375 mill non-homestead	12/2004
	5.8262 mill non-homestead	12/2004

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of April 6, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

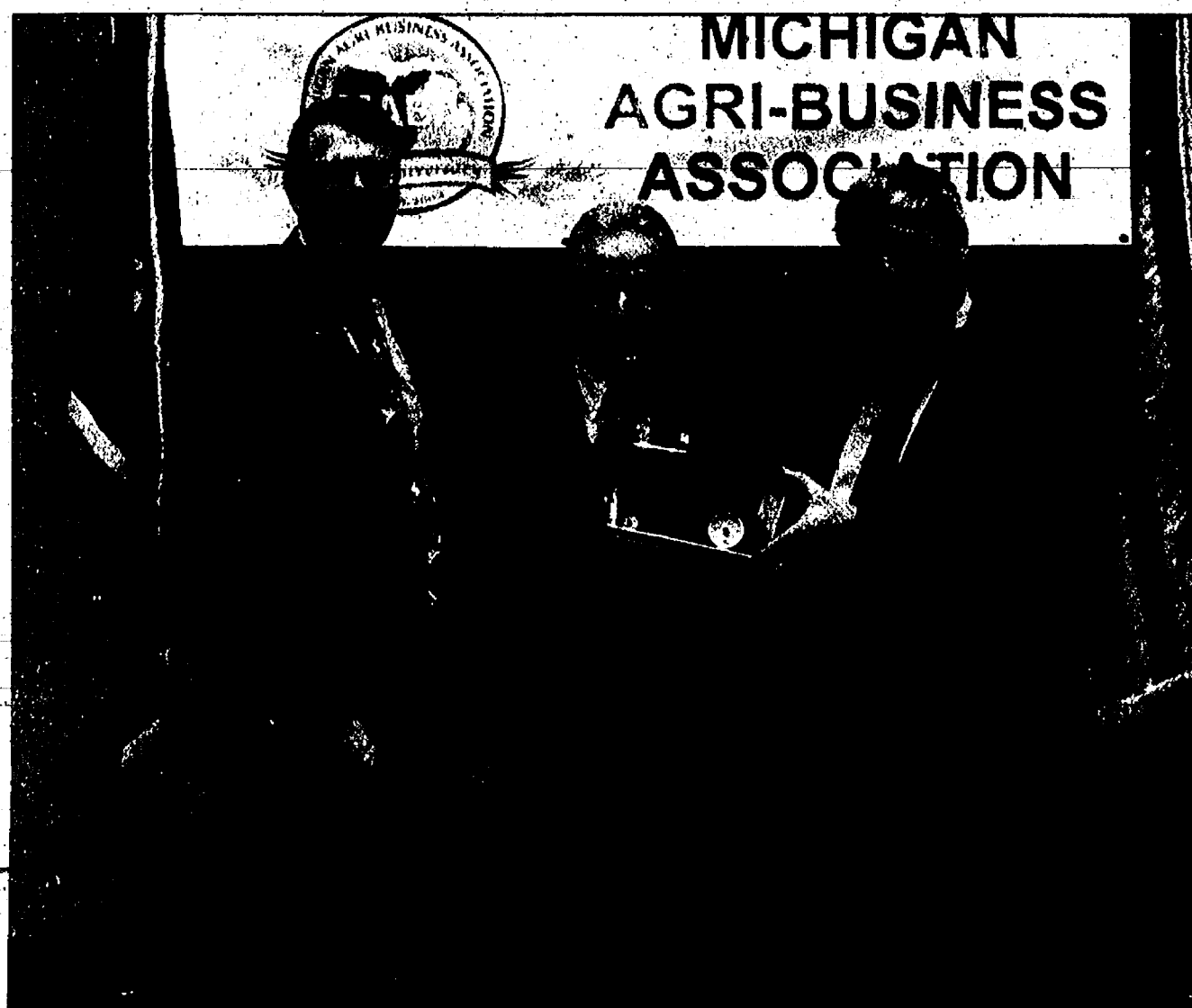
Washtenaw County	0.2401 mill parks	2007
	0.2415 mill parks	2009
	0.2161 mill HCMA	Indefinite
	0.2458 mill natural areas	2011
Sylvan Township	0.9536 mill charter	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.0557 mill charter	Indefinite
	0.9666 mill	6/2011
	0.5953 mill	Indefinite
	0.8167 mill	6/2007
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	3.0552 mill	Indefinite
Chelsea Public Schools	17.1931 mill non-homestead	2014
	2.9215 mill non-homestead	2014
Chelsea District Library	1.6909 mill	12/2019

Dated: April 6, 2004
Washtenaw County Treasurer Catherine McClary

BUSINESS

Thursday, April 15, 2004

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Agriculture Award

In appreciation of his support of Michigan's agricultural industry, the Michigan Agri-Business Association honored State Rep. Gene DeRossett, R-52nd District, March 19 with the title of "Agricultural Advocate." He was awarded a John Deere Narrow Front Model G model tractor. Pictured with DeRossett is MABA board member Dave Geers (left) and MABA President Jim Byrum.

ANN ARBOR

Meeting set April 27

The Huron River Watershed Council will hold its annual meeting 5:30 p.m. April 27 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 North Dixboro Road, in Ann Arbor.

Featured events include a presentation by the staff from the architecture firm Luckenbach/Ziegelman on "Green Roofs: What works, where, when and how?"

This firm has experience in designing and building "green roofs" with the recent completion of Ann Arbor's Mallet's Creek Library.

The Watershed Council also will present this year's volunteer awards and conclude with a brief board meeting.

Participants are invited to arrive at 4 p.m. for a tour of the grounds and the wild-

flower exhibit. Snacks will be served.

A nonprofit agency founded in 1965, the Huron River Watershed Council's mission, according to a press release, is to inspire attitudes, behaviors, and economies that protect, rehabilitate, and sustain the Huron River system.

For more information, call 769-5123 or check the Web site at www.hrwc.org.

WASHTENAW COUNTY

Realtors win awards

Realtors with RE/MAX Community Associates in Ann Arbor were recently honored by the RE/MAX Real Estate System for outstanding sales and service in 2003.

They received their awards at the RE/MAX of Michigan Annual Regional Conference held Feb. 12 through 14 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City.

Kathy Toth achieved the distinguished Lifetime award, a sales award for those individuals who have seven years of consecutive service with RE/MAX and have attained the RE/MAX Hall of Fame Award.

Toth also was awarded the prestigious Chairman's Club Award. Qualifications for the award are based on exceptional sales production and commission income for the year.

It's the highest annual award in the RE/MAX network. In 2003, 13 associates in the RE/MAX of Michigan region achieved the status, representing the top 1 percent of the region.

Denise Baker, Missy Caulk and Judy Whitfield were inducted into the RE/MAX Hall of Fame. Only 1,563 individuals among the 87,000 RE/MAX membership were inducted last year. The award is earned by members who, during their careers with RE/MAX, have helped at least 350 families buy or sell homes.

Sue Armstrong, Missy Caulk, Dennis Pearsall, Sherri Richwine, Denise Baker and Patricia Korican were awarded the prestigious Platinum Club award.

Pam Wirpio, Robyn Angle, Marsha Bateson, Kim Byrne, Eunie Choi, Audrey Curtis,

David Dean, Christine Faeth, Felice Fergel, Mary Helen Gilbert, Debi Gould, Carol Grubb, Kay Merx, Sue Perry, Mary Robertson, Marc Rubin, Tammy Sonte, Barb Waitz, David White, Connie Woodruff and Larry Zahn were honored with the esteemed 100 percent Club Award.

Rob Stofer, Douglas Gartley, Harry Kroth, Douglas Webb, Judy Whitfield, Donald Cloke, Randy Dieter

and Kelly Marion were awarded Executive Club honors. In 2003, 119 sales associates with the region qualified for this club level, based on sales production for the year.

Ali Hijazi, Doris Preston, Audrey Johnson Thomas and Michael Price Jr. were awarded President's Club honors. In 2003, 138 sales associates in the region qualified for the club, based on sales production for the year.

LOCH ALPINE SANITARY AUTHORITY OF WEBSTER AND SCIO TOWNSHIPS COUNTY OF WASHTENAW

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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

April 19 at 7:30 PM
Webster Township Hall
5665 Webster Church Road
Dexter, MI 48130

March 29, 2004 Neil Gerl, Chairman - Loch Alpine Sanitary Authority

CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE TO WATER CUSTOMERS

Beginning Monday, April 19, 2004 the Water Department will begin hydrant flushing. This flushing will take place between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. to reduce inconvenience to customers and will last approximately two weeks. Water customers are asked to please check your water color and condition prior to doing laundry. Thank you for your cooperation.

Water Department

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO BE HELD
THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2004, 7:00 pm
SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL
18027 OLD US 12, CHELSEA, MI 48118

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

7:00 pm - ZONING AMENDMENT - TEXT CHANGE

Revision to permit fences in required yards on residential lots in the AG zoning district. A complete copy of text revision is available in the Office of the Clerk, Monday and Wednesday 9AM to 12 Noon at 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI.

7:15 pm - PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE

The purpose of this Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) ordinance include: to create, establish, finance, and administer the Sylvan Township Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program. A complete copy of the ordinance is available in the Office of the Clerk, Monday and Wednesday 9AM to 12 NOON at 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI.

Written comments may be sent to Barb Satterthwaite, Secretary, Planning Commission, 20920 Scio Church Rd., Chelsea, MI 48118.

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DEATHS

JOHN W. STEELE SR.

John W. Steele Sr., 86, of Chelsea died peacefully April 7, 2004, at his home surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Steele was born July 28, 1917, and raised on Jerusalem Road in Chelsea, the son of George A. and Mary Catherine (Kolb) Steele.



While his brothers went to the Navy and Army, he stayed at home to work the family farm. He married Margaret Mary Fleming Feb. 3, 1940, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea, and she preceded him in death Dec. 20, 1993.

Mr. Steele worked for B.H. Graff Sheet Metal in Ann Arbor before starting Steele Heating and Cooling, which he passed on to his sons.

He enjoyed many years of camping with family and friends and was a member of the National Campers and Hikers Association. Their group was the 49'ers.

John and his wife managed Bushnell Apartments in Chelsea for many years, well into his 80s. They resided in Jensen Beach, Fla., for a few years, returning to Chelsea to be

with family and friends.

Mr. Steele also managed the Chelsea Laundromat for five years. He was a lifelong member of St. Mary Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

Surviving are his six children, Linda M. (Bob) Smith of Lansing, John W. (Joyce) Steele Jr. of Manchester, Thomas M. (Sarah) Steele of Chelsea, Mary E. (Jerry) Picklesimer of Brooklyn, Dee-Dee J. (Robert) Koengeter of Chelsea and Christopher G. (Elaine) Steele of Houston, Texas; and 15 grandchildren, Bill, Jeff and Michelle Smith, Terry Steele, Tammy Wright, Tara Jedele, Tucker, Patrick and Kate Steele, Jason and Steve Picklesimer, Lisa Koengeter, Laura VanRiper, Joseph Koengeter and Christopher Brownlee.

Also surviving are 18 great-grandchildren, Ashley Hamilton, Stephanie, Olivia and Brandon Steele, Steven and Natasha Picklesimer, Savannah Steele, Alyssa Picklesimer, Thomas Steele, Connor Wright, Castle Picklesimer, Braden Steele, Tori Smith, Garrett Steele, Madison and Miranda Wright, Rebecca Smith and Corbin Steele.

Survivors also include two sisters, Margaret (N.H.) Miles of Ann Arbor and Rosemary (Junior) Fletcher of Milford; two sisters-in-law, Helen Steele of Chelsea and Dorothy Steele of

Kalamazoo; and a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Clarence and Pat Wood of Chelsea.

Mr. Steele was preceded in death by his sister, Catherine Leaser; brothers, Joseph Steele and Robert Steele Jr.; two nephews, Bob and Michael Steele; and a niece, Kim Miles.

A funeral Mass was held Monday at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea. The Rev. John Miles officiated. The family received friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea, where a vigil was held Sunday.

Burial was at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Chelsea. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Catholic Church or Hospice of Michigan.

GLADYS H. (HARTUNG) NALEID

Gladya H. (Hartung) Naleid, 89, of Chelsea, died April 9, 2004, at Chelsea Retirement Community. She was born April 8, 1905, in Racine, Wis., the daughter of Sinus and Anna (Nelson) Christensen.

In 1926, she was elected Miss-76 and marched with the Racine American Legion Post 76 Drum Corps in the United States and Europe.

On Feb. 1, 1930, she married Howard Hartung in Racine and moved to Detroit, where she lived for 25 years. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Naleid was a private pilot who

was active in the Civil Air Patrol in Michigan. She was active in the 8 and 40 American Legion Aviation Post Auxiliary, the Ninety-Nines Women's International Flying Association and the Women's Aeronautical Association.

She married Roy E. Naleid June 27, 1955, and moved to Florida. He preceded her in death July 7, 1987.

"Mrs. Naleid was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Lake Worth, Fla. She moved to Chelsea in 1992.

Survivors include one daughter, Joyce (Angelo) Angelocci of Dexter; one brother, Guilbert Christensen of Racine, Wis.; seven grandchildren, Keith, Mark, Bradley Angelocci, Lisa Argenziano, Peter and Patrick Hartung, and Martha Engle; and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Ronald Hartung; one sister, Irene Nelson; and one grandson, Chris Hartung.

A memorial service will be held Sunday at the Chelsea Retirement Community's Towles Village Chapel. The Rev. Dale Grimm will officiate. Family visitation will be at 2 p.m., with the service at 3 p.m. Burial will be at Graceland Cemetery in Racine, Wis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Chapel at Chelsea Retirement Community or Our Savior

Lutheran Church in Chelsea.

Arrangements were by Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea.

MARY LOU GALLAGHER

Mary Lou Gallagher, 82, of Chelsea died April 2, 2004, at her home in Silver Maples.

Her family and friends made the announcement with regret, but also with deep love and affection.

Mrs. Gallagher was born Jan. 6, 1922, in Stamford, Conn. Her beloved husband, Col. Frank Gallagher, USAF, preceded her in death March of 1999.

Mrs. Gallagher is survived by a son, Kevin (Judy) Gallagher of Chelsea; four daughters, Kathleen Gallagher of Ann Arbor, Kathleen (Skip) Laub of Loveland, Ohio, Paula Gallagher of Colorado, and Phyllis Planner of Dayton, Ohio; one sister, Carolyn (Lee) Hughes Broadalbin, N.Y.; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Gallagher was a strong and vibrant woman who was fortunate to have lived a full and exciting life, both in the United States and Europe.

She will be remembered as a loving wife and as a wonderful mother devoted to her children's progress and happiness.

She was always an involved person in her community, having started a

high school for embassy dependants in Copenhagen, Denmark, promoting with her time and money the fine arts in her efforts to strengthen music and dance programs wherever she lived. She was also a volunteer in schools and libraries, promoting literacy.

Mrs. Gallagher also will be remembered as a true and real American patriot, serving within an embassy environment alongside her husband, in service to her country. She represented the country's true values of peace, honesty, tolerance, hard work, "can-do" attitude and teamwork with dignity, grace and high spirits.

Mrs. Gallagher will be deeply missed. However, family and friends will continue to celebrate and remember with fondness the light of her life and how it brightened all those she knew and loved, both in the United States and abroad.

Donations in appreciation of Mrs. Gallagher's service to others during the course of her life may be made to "the wonderfully warm and professional staff" at Silver Maples of Chelsea, her family said, via the Assisted Living Staff Appreciation Fund at Silver Maples.

A memorial service was held April 6 at the First United Methodist Church of Chelsea. Arrangements were made by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea.

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St. Mary Parish recognizes Turner's 25 years

Family, friends and parishioners at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea honored the Rev. William Turner at a celebration March 27 of the 25th anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood.

Some 350 people attended the event. The Saturday evening Mass was celebrated with 14 priests and two deacons.

Highlights of the evening included a tribute from Turner's uncle, the Rev. John Miles, along with a parody on "Life with Father Bill" by Sally Pobojewski and Donna Eder.

Pastoral Council Chairman Owen Ballow presented Turner with a vacation to a warm destination on behalf of the parish.

Parishioners said the most memorable event of the night was when Bill and Chris

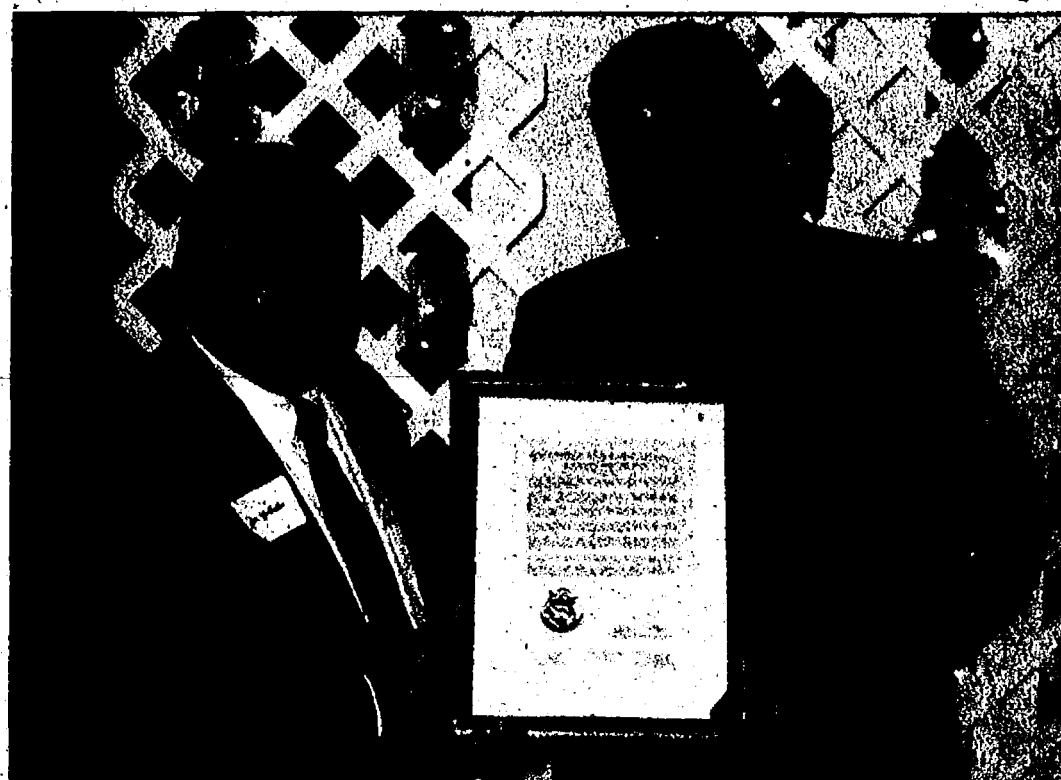
Hohnke serenaded the crowd with their musical rendition of "Oh, Father Bill," sung to the tune of "Oh, Canada."

Washtenaw County Commissioner Joseph Yekulis, R-1st District, presented Turner with a resolution of honor from the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners.

Grand Knight Tom Turek of the Chelsea Council of the Knights of Columbus presented Turner with a check for \$10,000 from the Knights to pay off the remainder of the parish debt.

Music for the evening was provided by Liberty Brass.

Fran Koepke and Donna Eder co-chaired the event. Food was prepared and coordinated by Ginny Wheaton and her staff.



Washtenaw County Commissioner Joseph Yekulis (left), R-1st District, presented the Rev. William Turner with a resolution of honor from the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners. Turner recently marked 25 years in the priesthood.

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PAUL W. "PETE" HEHR

Ann Arbor

Paul W. "Pete" Hehr, 76, died April 9, 2004, at his home, where he had lived for 44 years. He was born Dec. 17, 1927, in Cleveland, Ohio, the son of William Henry and Ethel May (Smith) Hehr.

Mr. Hehr was a sales representative with Miles Machinery for 35 years. Following his retirement, he became associated with Norman Levy Auctioneers and Appraisers.

Mr. Hehr enjoyed hunting with his black Labradors, playing golf, gardening and raising tuberous begonias from seed.

He was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Army. He also was a member of the Dearborn Masonic Lodge and had been chairman of the board of Boy Scout Troop 474 in Dexter.

Mr. Hehr is survived by his wife, A. Jerree Herbert, whom he married Aug. 8, 1953, in Cleveland; his two children, Heidi J. (Richard) Kinske of Dexter and Daniel H. (Wendy) Hehr of Chicago; three grandchildren Matthew, Christopher and Kathleen Kinske; his sister, Marjorie L. (Neil) Brown of Stockbridge; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Jeanne Ryan. A funeral was held yesterday at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. The Rev. Richard Dake officiated.

Burial was at Oak Grove East Cemetery in Chelsea. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Cancer Society.

JAY HARRISON BLACKLOCK
Ann Arbor
Jay Harrison Blacklock, 49, of Ann Arbor died suddenly April 6, 2004, with his family by his side. A celebration of life service was held April 10 at the Kingdom Hall in Ypsilanti.

Mr. Blacklock was born Aug. 17, 1954, in St. Johns to Charles and Rosiland (Brock) Blacklock. He was recently self-employed. Previously, he was employed as a painter for the University of Michigan. Prior, he worked many years for C.L. Cummings.

Mr. Blacklock loved the outdoors. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle, skiing, and going camping with his family. He always will be remembered as a loving, caring, and giving father, brother, son and friend to many.

He had a very positive attitude toward life and an infectious smile. Mr. Blacklock was a member of the Jehovah Witness Kingdom Hall for many years. He had a deep faith and belief in his religion, and stood firmly in those beliefs.

He will be dearly missed by his two children, Jason Michael of Dexter and Sarah Jo of South Lyon; his grandchildren, Jason Jr. and Ashley; his father, Charles Blacklock of Bay City; his

brothers, Craig (Pam) Blacklock of Rochester and Chris Blacklock of Clearwater, Fla.; and his sister, Sherry (Tom) Reinbolt of Blissfield.

He is also survived by many loving family members and friends, and his longtime canine companion, Dixie. Mr. Blacklock was preceded in death by his mother, Rosiland; and brother, Carter.

Arrangements were by McConnell Funeral Home in Fenton. Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Blacklock's memory to a college scholarship fund for his daughter, Sarah Blacklock, c/o McConnell Funeral Home, 500 Main St., Fenton, MI 48430.

JAMES A. MURRAY

Dexter

James A. Murray, 67, of Dexter died March 31, 2004, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township. He was born March 3, 1937, in Detroit the son of Gordon and Grace (Van Kammen) Murray.

On June 28, 1958, he married Judy Cole at St. George Lutheran Church in Brighton.

Mr. Murray was affectionately nicknamed "Moose," and was an avid bowler and golfer. He was a member of Dexter United Methodist Church, the Elks Lodge and Washtenaw Country Club.

He worked as a machine-tool builder and was the former owner of Dexter Gear.

Mr. Murray is survived by his wife, Judy; their daughters, Juli (Richard) Huddleston and Jennifer (Steven) Pelham, both of Dexter; grandchildren, Emily and Sam Huddleston, and Kristen and Kaitlyn Pelham; and a great-granddaughter, Mackenzie Pelham.

Other survivors include a brother, John (Loretta) Murray of Howell, and three nephews, Shawn, Darren and Joel Murray.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Gordon Murray, and nephew, Troy Murray.

A celebration of his life was held April 3 at Dexter United Methodist Church. Memorial contributions may be given to the church's memorial fund. Those who wish, may sign Mr. Murray's guest book at www.Borekjennings.com.

ROBERT B. MCLEOD

Belleville

Formerly of Dexter

Robert "Bob" B. McLeod, 73, of Belleville, formerly of Dexter, died April 1, 2004, at Veterans Affairs Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was born Aug. 26, 1930, in Ypsilanti the son of Jack and Camille (Ableson) McLeod.

Mr. McLeod was raised in Dexter and graduated from Dexter High School in 1947. He was a veteran of the Army Air Corps, and lived in California for a number of years. He was a ticket agent for a major airline and a flight instructor.

After retirement, he moved back to Michigan and became a barber.

Mr. McLeod is survived by his wife, Judy; daughter, Cindy; and three sons, Patrick, Tim and Tom, all of California. Also surviving are six grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and two brothers, John (Mary) McLeod of Ann Arbor

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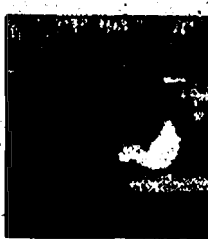
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Was \$29,955
Now **\$19,789⁷²**
39 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$230⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$327⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$333⁰⁰** due at signing

2005 Escape Limited 4x4

Alarm, leather, moon
roof, 6CD Stk. #50027
Was \$28,105 Now **\$21,051¹⁶**
24 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$230⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$270⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$279⁰⁰** due at signing

2004 Taurus SE

Air, alum wheels, remote keyless entry,
speed control, r. win, defrost, auto, rear
spoiler.
Stk. #42358
Was \$21,500
Now **\$11,251⁰⁶**
39 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$230⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$261⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$267⁰⁰** due at signing

2004 Mustang GT Coupe

Speed control, air, 100
changer, 16" bright alloy
wheels.
Stk. #41223
Was \$25,525 Now **\$16,507⁵²**
24 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$188⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$242⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$251⁰⁰** due at signing

2004 Explorer XLT

Low miles, air
Stk. #41891
Was \$32,110 Now **\$20,057⁰⁰**
36 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$256⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$294⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$315⁰⁰** due at signing

2004 F-150 S-Cab STX 4x4

AWD, 4.6L
r. sliding win.
Stk. #42375
Was \$30,520 Now **\$20,828⁸⁵**
24 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$222⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$222⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$231⁰⁰** due at signing

2004 F-150 S-Cab STX 4x4

AWD, 4.6L
r. sliding win.
Stk. #42375
Was \$30,520 Now **\$20,828⁸⁵**
24 Month Lease Renewal
A-Plan **\$222⁰⁰** due at signing
X-plan **\$222⁰⁰** due at signing
DD-plan **\$231⁰⁰** due at signing

2003 E-150 Chateau Van

Control light horn, power, full
length running bds, p.
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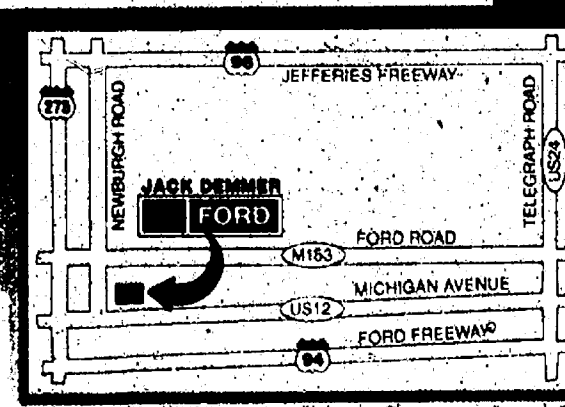
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