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CHELSEA

## Library bond passes

Funding request narrowly  
passes with 72 votes

By Sheila Fursglove  
Associate Editor

The voters have spoken — McKune House, bequeathed to Chelsea by Catherine Staffan McKune in 1958 for use as a public library — will return to its former grandeur.

In a nail-biting election, the request for an \$8.2-million bond to build a new library on the site of the historic McKune Memorial Library — which will be renovated and incorporated into the new library building — passed by a mere 72 votes, 1,327-1,255.

Approval of the 20-year bond will cost an average homeowner a property tax levy of about \$75 a year.

Voters in Dexter Township approved the bond 227-152. City of Chelsea voters passed the bond 570-380, with 371 in

Precinct 1 in favor and 242 against, and 199 in Precinct 2 in favor with 138 against.

It was a different story in Lima Township, which turned the bond request down 230-103. Sylvan Township voters narrowly defeated the bond 286-259, and Lyndon voters nixed the bond 207-167.

Chelsea District Library staff and supporters held their breath in an evening gathering at the Chelsea

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Mel Leach votes on the library bond Tuesday at the Washington Street Education Center. Leach and his wife, Barbara, have lived near Chelsea their entire lives, but moved to the city six months ago.

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◆◆◆ SPECIAL REPORT ◆◆◆

## The changing face of special education

As researchers continue to discover new learning disabilities that have held children back for years, students requiring special education programs are growing in numbers. But the federal government's promise to fully fund a large part of those additional costs is not being met, and school districts must make up the difference during times of financial constraints.

By Scott Hagen  
Staff Writer

The thought of special education is often brushed aside, as the children who fill its programs once were.

But inside classrooms and outside stereotypes, the definition of special education has grown to encompass a large minority of children in the county and across the country.

The demands of those children must be met, yet the federal government is lagging in its promise to fully fund special education programs. That problem is rippling through the nation, and every school district, in the wake of added financial constraints.

Nearly 15 percent of students in Washtenaw County are classified as having some type of physical, emotional or mental impairment that qualifies them for special education. The 12 categories the Washtenaw Intermediate School District uses to classify impairments are broad.

Of the 47,813 students in Washtenaw County schools, 7,002 fall under the special education label. A majority is afflicted with some type of speech or language impairment or a specific learning disability, such as dyslexia, and constitutes nearly 50 percent of all special education children.

Removed from all schools, students in special education would comprise the second largest school district in the county.

During recent years of



Photo by Scott Hagen

Children listen to a story before the end of the school day. Inside classrooms and outside stereotypes, the definition of special education has grown to encompass a large minority of children in Washtenaw County and across the country.

financial trouble, the special education system has remained an untouchable program, as law dictates. The entire system is in a unique position, where services must be maintained, regardless of available funding. While programs in the classroom must be maintained,

cuts are coming at teaching and administrative positions.

"A lot of people think that we've been untouched," said Jim Woodhams, director of special education for Milan and Manchester school districts. "It's not true. We're part of the same mix, our stuff comes out of the same

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CHELSEA

## Problems plague city water plant

Administrator assures  
residents that the  
water is safe

By Steve Ricci  
Staff Writer

Chelsea residents who like to lather up with soap in the shower may have noticed something different in the last several weeks — that is, the soap doesn't seem to froth very well.

If so, for 1,951 water customers, they're not imagining things. Since mid-April, Chelsea residents have received hard water through municipal pipelines — the

result of a water treatment plant glitch that city officials hope won't have them frothing with anger.

The city's water treatment plant reverse osmosis water softening system was taken offline April 19 after repeated attempts to clean filtering membranes, costing thousands of dollars, failed.

At the water treatment plant last Friday with Brad Roberts, the wastewater treatment plant superintendent and interim water superintendent, Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac said the water currently being sent to customers is safe to drink and meets all water quality standards.

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### BRIEFLY...

■ **Food drive set Saturday:** Letter carriers throughout Washtenaw County will collect non-perishable food donations and toiletries Saturday. Items should be left in bags by mailboxes at the house or roadside.

The Chelsea Post Office also will have hamper in the lobby for donations.

Local donations will be sent to Faith In Action for those in need in the community.

■ **Fund-raiser set Saturday:** Boy Scout Troop 425 will sell flower flats, hanging baskets and plants provided by Helm Gardens from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Chelsea State Bank, located at the corner of Old US-12 and M-52.

■ **Coach honored:** Retiring Chelsea Beach Middle School teacher and former Chelsea High

School football coach Roger Cox has been inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches' Association Hall of Fame.

■ **Scholarship fund-raiser set Saturday:** National Honor Society students will seek donations to the Chelsea Scholarship and Financial Aid Committee tomorrow and Saturday.

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# The Big Apple

## Chelsea High School prom is a resounding success

By Rita Fischer  
Special Writer

Chelsea High School juniors and seniors gave their regards to Broadway and enjoyed a bite of the Big Apple Saturday after volunteers and students transformed the school into New York City for the prom.

Students were greeted by the Statue of Liberty — a.k.a. Chelsea High School Assistant Principal Robin Raymond — with valet parking provided and a coat check counter at the door.

As students walked through the front entrance and into the transformed gymnasium, they stepped into a rooftop garden complete with a miniature golf course, lounge chairs, and "skylights" beneath their feet.

This was followed by Battery Park, Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, the business district and Wall Street, with walls darkened to depict the New York City skyline and black-light posters gracing the walls.

Prom-goers walked through a make-shift subway, which was painted by more than 100 students, to get to the commons area, serving as "Central Perk," the coffeehouse from the hit TV series "Friends."

Chelsea High School senior Sarah Rapai, who liked Chinatown the best with its smoke-breathing dragon, Chinese handcuffs and fortune cookies, said the entire prom was "awesome."

"The designs were just amazing, and the fact that they were able to convert so many ideas into one small space," she said.

Partygoers strolled past the neon signs on Broadway to dance in Times Square, where, with a flick of the switch, students could make a crystal ball displaying "Happy Prom 2004" drop.

Macy's storefront provided benches for dancers to rest, while the Majestic Theatre, and a jazz and blues club had a hidden camera that projected images of the dancers onto the wall.

"It was more lighting than in past years, but it had a great effect," parent volunteer Sterling Pepper said. "I liked it when I was standing between Broadway and Times Square — the students would gasp at the effect of the black lights."

Pepper's daughter, Kayla, was pleased with the final product.

"It took a lot of work but, in the end, it all paid off," Kayla said. "A lot of kids liked the black lights and how the commons area was used."

Volunteer Scott Allen, who served as the master builder, got involved because his wife, Karen, works in the Chelsea High School counseling department.

"She knows how I like working in things like this, so she got me involved in working on the prom this year," he said.

Allen said the hundreds of hours over the past three months were worth the effort.

"It was awesome being one of the workers," he said. "When the kids thanked me for a job well done, it made it all worthwhile."

Allen said it took a lot of help from the school faculty, custodians and many people in the community, including businesses, to make it happen.

Allen singled out Nick

Jenna Gines and Ben Rodgers were selected as this year's prom king and queen

Photos by Rita Fischer.



Chad Lance and Rachel Dotson arrive at Chelsea High School to find the school building transformed into New York City.

Kolokithas and Jerry Gordenier, who took care of the electrical systems and lighting on the outside grounds and commons area; Dennis Turner, who sketched artwork on the walls; and Kim Bixby, who did the creative painting.

One of the special surprises was the tower truck from the Chelsea Area Fire Authority, flying Old Glory from a fire ladder and shining two white beams upward into the sky in tribute to New York City firefighters who

were killed in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. "I think the whole evening went well," Chelsea firefighter Lt. Ken Bauer said. "It was decorated nice and it took a lot of effort."

"I think the kids had a

great time." —Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove also contributed to this article. She can be reached at 475-1371 or spursglove@heritaget.com. Freelance writer Rita Fischer can be reached at ritafischer@yahoo.com.



Chris Kolokithas takes a turn at wowing the crowd with karaoke.

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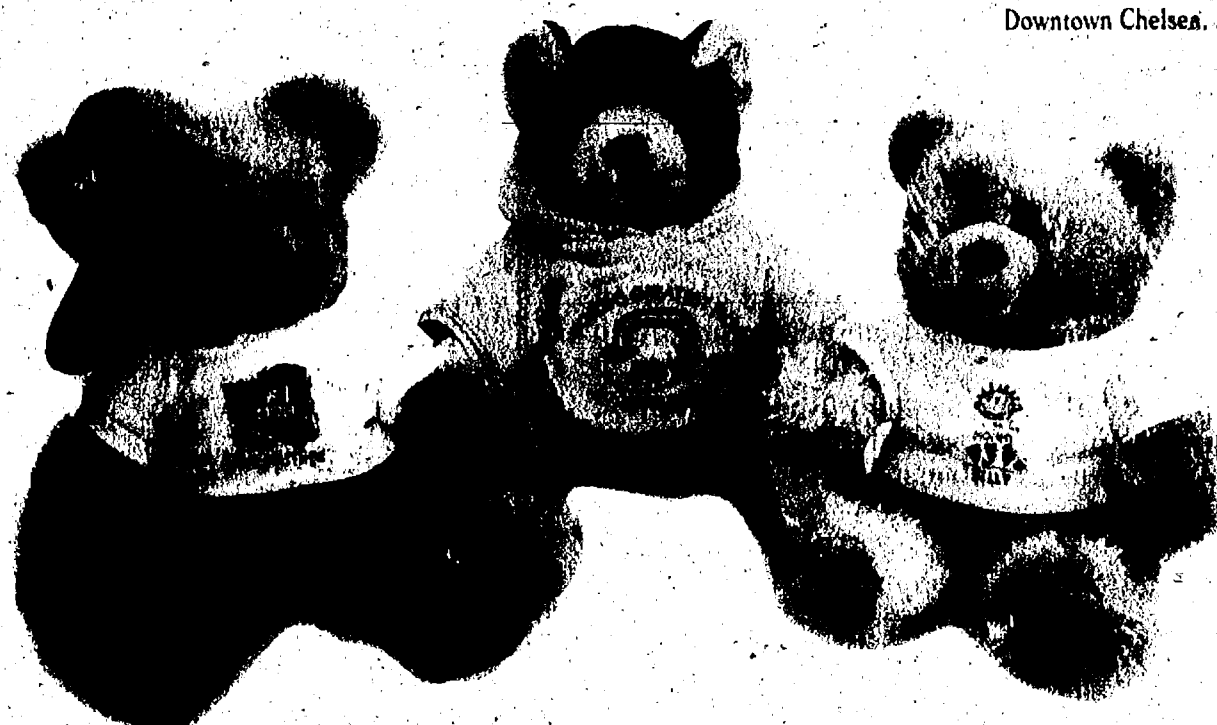
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## CHELSEA

# Fire task force makes recommendations

Group says city should continue as member of CAFA

By Steve Ricci  
Staff Writer

Changes might be afoot at the Chelsea Area Fire Authority, but Chelsea's involvement with CAFA — a regional fire agency — should remain the same, a fire task force told city officials last week.

The six-member panel, headed by retired business consultant John Frank, was appointed by the Chelsea City Council last year to study Chelsea's participation with CAFA.

There has been some dissension within the City Council about whether Chelsea should stay in CAFA, Frank said.

CAFA, which currently

provides fire coverage for Chelsea, and Lyndon, Sylvan and Lima townships, was created in 1999 to provide efficiencies of scale in joint fire protection and share liability within the areas, as well as to enable a dedicated millage for financing operations.

The task force studied staying in CAFA versus reverting to a pre-CAFA contractual arrangement with neighboring townships or withdrawing from CAFA and operating a Chelsea-only fire department.

Continued CAFA participation was recommended after the task force studied costs, efficiencies, political control issues, and future prospects related to fire coverage.

Including Chief Dan Ellenwood, CAFA currently employs four part-time fire personnel and 34 on-call firefighters.

The study recommended

building a larger fire facility, and recruiting and hiring a full-time chief, as well as several on-duty personnel.

The current fire station at 200 W. Middle St. is plagued by size constraints.

Ellenwood said Tuesday that CAFA has had problems looking for suitable sites for a new fire station within city limits, with land priced too high or lots for sale being too small.

Most likely, CAFA will look to buy the 5,000-square-foot Middle Street station from the city, rip it down, and replace it with a two- or three-story structure, Ellenwood said.

The task force study said a 7,000-square-foot building could be erected at the site.

"We've outgrown it," Ellenwood said of the current fire station. "We need to do something now. We should have done something a few years ago."

Ellenwood, 62, said although he's approaching retirement, he would welcome being designated a full-time chief, and would support hiring a full-time chief to replace him. Ellenwood said he already works full-time hours.

The chief, as well as the task force report, said hiring highly trained, full-time staff would cut down on current redundancies that occur when multiple on-call firefighters respond to frequent daytime medical calls.

In 2003, more than half of the 975 fire runs were for medical assistance — by far comprising the largest dispatch action.

Ellenwood said he supports the idea of Chelsea staying with CAFA.

"It's more economical versus the city taking it on itself," Ellenwood said of the city creating its own fire department. "I'm well-pleased with the study."

Citing concerns about ownership of fire department buildings in the event that municipalities withdraw from the fire agency, Waterloo Township withdrew from CAFA in March.

Ellenwood said while a seceding municipality could theoretically own a building,



Chelsea Area Fire Authority Lt. Jim Boritzki (left) and Lt. Matt Tuttle man the Chelsea Fire Station at 200 W. Middle St. A task force report to the Chelsea City Council last week recommended the city continue participation in CAFA and either enlarge the current main station or build a new facility.

it would lose out on other equipment such as fire engines.

"It appears people voted for cityhood to have local control," Frank said. "But the issue of political control shouldn't drive the issue going forward."

Frank said CAFA costs are increasing at about 3 percent per year because of inflation,

increased insurance costs and population increases, which cause a 10-percent increase in annual runs per year. Overall budget increases seen after Chelsea joined CAFA, however, were reflected in study figures because prior to that, the city's fire costs were "hidden, integrated, or bundled."

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## CHELSEA

## Web site launches Monday

Washtenaw County Web team to revamp Chelsea's site

By Steve Ricci  
Staff Writer

Starting Monday, Chelsea Internet surfers can take advantage of a new and improved city Web site.

Chelsea City Clerk Terri Burch said last week the Web site, [www.chelsea.mi.us](http://www.chelsea.mi.us), would feature a new look with news updates, and eventually would contain lists of city employees, as well as more comprehensive tools such as zoning ordinances, tax and assessing information, news, and public service announcements.

At no cost to the city, Chelsea is using the services of a Washtenaw County Web team to revamp the site, Washtenaw County Knowledge Manager Andy Brush said Monday.

The new Chelsea Web site will resemble the interface of the Washtenaw County Web site [www.ewashtenaw.org](http://www.ewashtenaw.org), Brush said.

"We've built the infrastructure to do that at little cost to us," he said.

Brush said the new Web site would allow Burch to focus on communication with Chelsea residents, instead of technical computer matters.

"She's responsible for content," Brush said of Burch. "She doesn't have to figure out things like hosts and

Internet service providers."

From a Web site management perspective, Brush said Burch would not have to deal with many time-consuming technical matters.

Chelsea's new Web site will be hosted by Washtenaw County, which provides a standardized look for Web sites for other townships and villages within the county.

"We'll collaborate with them for pictures and high-level navigation items, but a lot of control is in their hands," Brush said of other Web site developers within the county.

Those developers, such as Burch, will benefit from Washtenaw County's high-end content system for managing Web site information, Brush said.

The county team will train Chelsea employees on how to use the system and will provide content management consultation.

Brush said about 75 Washtenaw County employees regularly add content to the county's Web site, which results in a useful and user-friendly interface for residents, with information for different departments — such as building inspection and city clerk offices — available in subsections of the Web sites.

"It's a system that's easy enough for people in our departments to add content and do communications, but they don't have to do the technical aspects," Brush said.

"Chelsea is getting a system

that's developed for regular employees to use with only a couple hours of training."

Washtenaw County has been using its current Web site since 2001. Chelsea will use a version of that Web site updated this year, he said.

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# EDUCATION

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special education from affecting the resources of general education. "When funding is tight, everything is up for grabs," said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Watkins. "It pits one group against the other. And that becomes very unfortunate because, the fact is, is we owe a solid education, a good education, a quality education to all of our children whether they're gifted or talented, or in need of special help as well."

## Recent Progress

Learning disabilities are not new. Before federal legislation permitted open education to those afflicted with an impairment, children with disabilities still flooded schools every morning. Questions would rise about children slipping through the holes in the educational net. But little was known, or done. Special education students were largely ignored, sometimes teased and often labeled for a future of failure. Children with hidden disabilities simply crept through the system.

The complete evolution of special education began only three decades ago, and research is still, comparatively, in its infant stages. Dyslexia, where the brain perceives letters out of cogent order, is just one of the disabilities that can be treated with extra help and attention.

The stigma attached to the term "special education" is eroding every year. It now identifies children who are born with learning disabilities, emotional impairments and even attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder.

"I think it started to change when we started learning more about disabilities and

also with the growth of learning disabilities," said Lynda VanKuren of the Council for Exceptional Children, a Virginia-based educational and advocacy group for children in special education.

"When I started teaching in 1975, that's when we were first really expanding and learning about students with learning disabilities. Even then, the kids with learning disabilities were pulled into self-contained classes, for the most part."

Until the 1970s, children confronting physical, mental and emotional impairment were brushed into the dark closet of education. Schools didn't know how to handle them, and little was known about how — and what — to teach the students.

Ten years after blacks struggled to gain access to public schools, parents of

children with impairments struggled to get education for their children. Many children were denied access to educational opportunities. Some were institutionalized; many remained out of school completely.

For parents seeking solid schools for their special education children, Michigan has been a welcome home. The state remains a pioneer in special education programs and opportunities, and is the only state to offer special education from birth until age 25.

Michigan legislation,

## — DISABILITIES BY DISTRICT —

Disability	Chelsea	Dexter	Manchester	Milan	Saline	Ann Arbor	Others	TOTAL
Autism	15	38	7	12	30	115	137	352
Cognitive Impairment	39	12	1	21	26	75	311	475
Emotional Impairment	32	61	16	43	37	146	267	267
Other Health Impairment	4	58	3	0	29	195	87	376
Physical Impairment	62	35	1	45	52	102	134	431
Severe Multiple Impairment	1	0	0	2	1	17	100	121
Specific Learning Disability	199	92	78	147	219	808	1,240	2,784
Speech or Language Impairment	121	135	79	68	138	468	544	1,554
Other	6	20	3	8	19	147	102	213
TOTALS	469	449	188	346	551	2,075	2,682	7,002

Source: Washtenaw Intermediate School District, Special Education Students Served in Washtenaw County as of Dec. 1, 2003  
Compiled by Scott Hagen

Children Act, now known as the Individuals with Disabilities Educational Act, in 1975.

"We just needed to reach a maturation point in this whole country," Woodhams said.

Where there were once unknown problems and treatments,

there is now an educational world of flexibility in the classroom and options open to parents searching for specific care.

Medication once stood as the most common, if some-

times overused, alternative for children afflicted with ADHD. Now, young girls and boys are offered the opportunity to join a class of students who face life through the same clouded understanding of acting "good." Parents, who struggled to understand why their children of average or above average intelligence were having trouble with academics, watch as extra help is offered and given where needed. And those children are still being afforded the same opportunities of children without disabilities.

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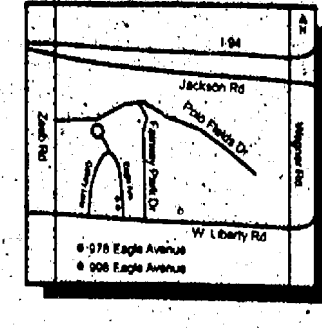
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# EDUCATION

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standards for progress. That law was reauthorized in 1997 to include provisions for special education students to merge more into general-education classes. Debate swirls again in Congress today about the 1997 law, which is up for reauthorization again this year.

As groundbreaking to special education as IDEA was at the time, the years since then have been spent lobbying and pleading for more money. When Congress passed the original act in 1975, the federal government promised to pay 40 percent of the costs associated with special education programs. While funding has risen steadily in recent decades, this year's funding commitment of about 18 percent was less than half of what it initially promised.

But the continuum of services must continue, regardless of what money funnels through to the districts.

## Classroom Flexibility

In special education, more so than in general education, provisions are made to treat each child on a case-by-case basis as part of the students' Individualized Education Program: a set of goals, and a process to achieve those goals outlined with teachers and parents, that would ideally be achieved.

"One size does not fit all," VanKuren said. "Whether the child has a learning disability or is developmentally delayed or has autism, you have to look at each child and each child's strength, as well as their weaknesses."

Some children have closed learning gaps after a few years of one-on-one or small group attention and instruction, and some have taken longer or never closed the gap completely. That does not preclude the child, teachers say, from functioning as a member of society or from reaching far beyond the ceiling of possibility.

Options for parents, once limited, now abound. District by district across the county, each school offers programs that are modeled for the best learning experience.

A policy of inclusion is the standard practice in schools across the county, such as in Saline, Manchester, Milan, Chelsea and Dexter. Children with disabilities are placed in the general-education classroom and are then pulled out for certain times each week to work with teacher consultants on areas of concern. They also have the option of spending time in a resource room, where teachers and consultants are available to give one-on-one help.

The policy of self-contained classrooms, where all children affected with certain disabilities are placed in one room, is becoming extinct, largely because of the "least restrictive environment" requirement that calls for impaired children to spend as much time as possible with non-disabled peers in general-education programs.

"They can excel in some classes," VanKuren said. "So it doesn't really make sense to keep them away from their peers. Now, we even have students who are developmentally delayed (more severe impairments) who also benefit from some of those classes."

The flexibility afforded to each district, school and classroom has opened the possibilities for child-specific teaching methods. What may work in one school and with one child may not work in another. Laws and requirements remain open enough to allow for provisions in finding the best classroom environment.

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## — NATIONAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING —

When Congress passed the Individuals with Disabilities Act in 1975, the government promised to fund 40 percent of the cost for special education students. Although funding has been steadily increasing since that time, the government is still falling well short of fully funding its share of special education costs. That shortfall is beginning to create problems inside school districts, as money from other programs must be reshuffled and certain employee cuts must be made to account for the difference.

Fiscal Year	Spec. Ed Students*	Amount promised*	Amount appropriated*	% of funding
1993	4,896	\$10,003,507	\$2,050,000	8.1
1994	5,101	\$10,732,504	\$2,150,000	8
1995	5,467	\$11,872,137	\$2,320,000	7.8
1996	5,629	\$12,669,024	\$2,323,837	7.3
1997	5,806	\$13,440,630	\$3,107,522	9.2
1998	5,978	\$14,457,195	\$3,801,000	10.5
1999	6,133	\$15,445,347	\$4,310,000	11.1
2000	6,274	\$16,641,157	\$4,689,000	11.9
2001	6,381	\$17,882,114	\$6,323,685	14.1
2002	6,483	\$19,448,406	\$7,512,533	15.4
2003	6,611	\$20,740,029	\$8,558,398	17
2004	6,737	\$21,563,789	\$10,052,106	18.6

\*: In thousands

"Most of those kids, their abilities are such that they really benefit from the general-ed curriculum," said William Miller, superintendent of the WISD. "They're reading, writing and doing math. So, they need some extra support, but they certainly don't need a separate place to learn."

In some schools, children with challenges that require higher needs, such as autism or mental and cognitive impairments, are joining general-education classrooms.

"Some kids can benefit from that," Miller said. "It isn't their label that decides what services they get."

## Non-Funded Mandates

Until the No Child Left Behind initiative was created, IDEA remained the only educational mandate in the country that was not fully funded. At the time it was passed in 1975, IDEA did not fall under the high criticism that No Child Left Behind has in its first three years.

Parents of impaired children knew the problem existed, as did many schools, but the IDEA law set standards for fair educational opportunity. Throughout the years, the non-funded costs of the program have been passed on to school districts, and the funding puzzle remains incomplete.

Children in special education classes typically cost twice as much to teach as children in general education. Those extra costs include special curriculum provisions and support staff needed to maintain adequate and often exceptional progress.

If the per-pupil allowance for each special education child were \$7,500, the federal government would pay its 18.6 percent, roughly \$1,000, toward the balance. The state funding level of 28.6 percent chips away at the \$6,500 remaining, bringing the balance to \$4,641.

Through a millage passed in 1987, the WISD sets a yearly fund rate to reimburse

school districts for the costs associated with special education. That level has grown steadily in the past few years.

In 2003-2004, the WISD funded 67 percent of the remaining \$4,641 — or the cost not funded by state and federal governments — bringing the balance lower to \$1,500, but not to \$0: The \$1,500 represents the roughly 22 percent the federal government fails to cover.

"That's a huge part of the problem," Miller said. "Unfortunately, it trickles down to the state. And when the state does not pay the unreimbursed costs, it comes down to the local system to pick that up."

Debbie Ziegler of the Council for Exceptional Children said President Bush has promised a \$1 billion increase for special education funding in the next fiscal year. If it happens, it will represent the highest increase for any educational program in the nation. Yet even with the large funding increase, the money falls short: if Congress increased funding by 2.3 billion, it would take four years to reach the full 40 percent funding promised in 1975. At a \$1 billion increase each year, it would take until 2035.

The Center for Exceptional Children and numerous advocacy groups sent a proposal to Congress in March that outlines the importance of making special education funding a mandatory line in the annual budget.

"We've been working at this non-stop for years," Ziegler said. "Either way, state or local dollars, it's still taking away from other programs. The CEC has never advocated robbing Peter to pay Paul. It's happened, but not as a result of advocacy. We believe we need full funding to give the states and

locals additional money to serve kids, and help with local and state tax relief."

But until Congress passes such a bill, the continuum of services must continue by law.

"You have to provide them," Miller said. "There's really nothing else in school law that you have to provide except special education. That comes first."

When federal funds fall short, the district is left paying the remaining portion. That problem has dripped down — with added state financial woes — to the point that it could start to impact classrooms across the county.

After years of stable funding, and when schools need it most, the money is evaporating. The rate at which the WISD funds districts for special education is scheduled to erode drastically.

In 2004-2005, plans are to decrease funding from 67 percent to 61 percent, and further still in 2005-2006 to 54 percent, and 10 percent each year after that. After years of being in a fiscal position to support the growing programs, the county's funds are now drying up, as well.

"We've transferred it out to the point now where we don't have any more to transfer," Miller said. "We've transferred all of our savings out. It's gone."

The County Board of Education is currently discussing whether to ask voters for a new millage that would supplement the deteriorating funds the county has available. Though the board is heading in the direction of putting it on a ballot, uncertainty remains as to when it might happen.

For school districts, it can't happen soon enough.

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# Mandates pose problems for schools

Teachers say state rules don't allow them flexibility in teaching

By Scott Hagen  
Staff Writer

Children in special education and teachers, are facing difficulties with recent educational mandates brought down by the federal government's No Child Left Behind guidelines.

The same blanket of standards that the state — through Education Yes! — applies to students in general education is being thrown over students in special education.

"We all know everybody can improve," said Jim Woodhams, director of special education for Manchester and Milan schools. "I don't care if its public schools or IBM. We're all trying to improve."

"This kind of mandate is so huge, and so intrusive. It's the largest educational mandate in the history of the world. There's a ton of hard feelings and fear out there about what this is really about."

Teachers and administrators are critical of the mandates, and say that it does not allow them the flexibility in teaching that they have become accustomed to.

At the lowest level of education, in the classroom, the option of offering programs that best suit the needs of the child are being controlled through state and national mandates.

"Anything's a problem that's new," said Sam Sinicropi, superintendent of Saline schools. "People have a very difficult time switching over from things we've done in the past."

"I think, in some ways, there needs to be a little more reasonableness in the No Child Left Behind language that allows school districts and parents to make decisions that are best for all kids. That really isn't there right now. We don't have those options. It's restricting in the sense that there are not, sometimes, decisions that locals can make. They're made for you."

Through the Michigan Educational Assessment Program, alternatives only recently have been offered to students who cannot be assessed through the standard MEAP test. The MI-Access test is now being offered to those students who, even with extra assistance, would not score well on the MEAP test because of varying impairments and difficulties.

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CHELSEA-DEXTER

# Local families pray for safety of troops

Local high school graduates serving in Iraq

By Rita Fischer  
Special Writer

As the conflict in Iraq drags on, Donna Swersky of Scio Township prays for the safe return of her son, Timothy Raymor.

"We hope that there is an angel watching him," she said.

Swersky has not heard from her son, a 2002 graduate of Dexter High School, since the end of March. She constantly wonders if he will come home safely and whether she will hear from him soon.



Timothy Raymor

She carries with her an e-mail from Raymor, forwarded from her daughter-in-law.

"It is the only thing I have to look at," Swersky said. "I'm scared and I have to be

brave. It's the hardest thing I ever had to do."

"We need to pray for the troops and keep them in our thoughts. They are still over there and battling a war."

When Todd Osborne graduated from Chelsea High School in 1999, he was torn between following his father, Tom, into firefighting or becoming a soldier.

"The Army won out," Tom Osborne said.

His son spent most of his career as an airborne soldier with the 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg in North Carolina, and finished his four-year enlistment with 14 months in Korea. Before being discharged last September, he joined a National Guard unit that specializes in airborne long-range surveillance.

"His unit has been in Iraq a few months now and he loves it," Osborne said. "We hear from him every few days unless he is on a mission."

Osborne said his son has relayed stories of Saddam Hussein's torture prisons and the horrific conditions his people have endured.

"Although many still fight the Americans, he said it's a small minority," Osborne said. "Most there are just trying to survive and find work."

Osborne and his wife, Debbie, worry for the safety of their son and others serving there.

"It is with you every day," Osborne said. "My poor wife has to worry about me as a firefighter and her son as a soldier."

"We both agree the war has to be won, and we are proud

of Todd's service to the freedom we all enjoy."

Osborne said it's better to fight terror in Iraq and Afghanistan "than to have them come here again as they did in New York, the Pentagon and Pennsylvania."

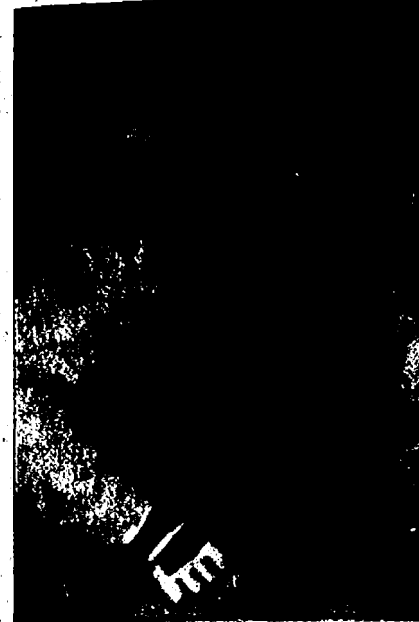
The Osbornes have another son, Michael, a student at Western Michigan University.

"He is very close to his brother and sometimes his worry shows too," Osborne said.

"It's hard on everyone, but it's simply a situation that we must all accept in these times."

Dexter Township resident Jim Burby serves with the Naval Reserves and returned from overseas a year ago.

The hardest part of serving, he said, was saying goodbye to his family.



Todd Osborne

"I thought I was leaving for a year or two, and it was a haunting feeling to be leaving my family."

John McCormick, a 2002

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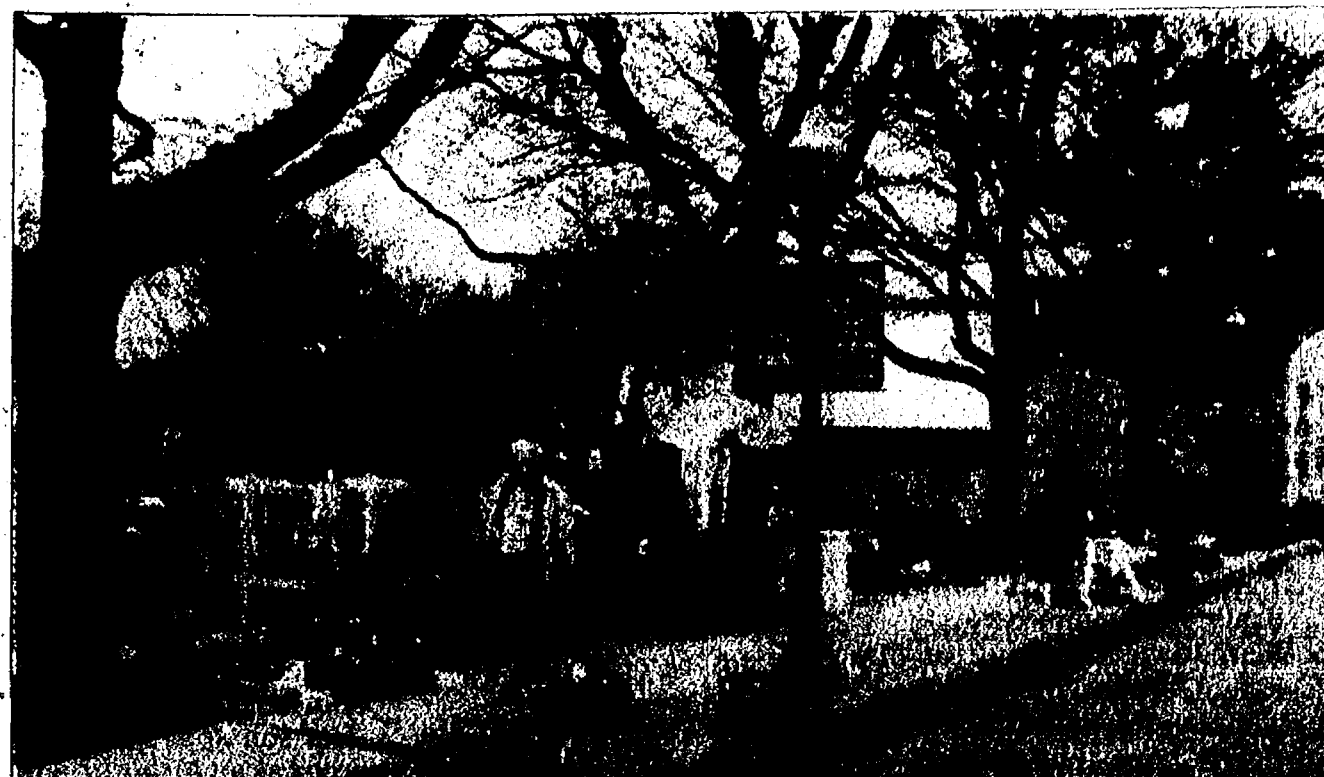
Also, if you have allergies, you might want to talk to your

doctor about lifestyle changes you can make. Who knows? You might be able to avoid taking another allergy pill.

We all want to feel good all the time. To me, it just makes sense to try to do it "au naturel" whenever we can.

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 local bookstores.



### Farmers' Market

Vendor Heidi Doyle (left) displays hanging baskets at the Chelsea Farmers' Market. The market opened to a wet start Saturday on Park Street. It runs every Saturday morning through October, and offers locally raised farm produce, including fresh asparagus and rhubarb. There are also hanging baskets, annuals, perennials, honey and frozen beefalo for sale. Other events include the Chef of the Week series, entertainment and nonprofit displays. Other vendors pictured are Austin Rodgers of Rodgers Corner Produce, Gary Adams of Oak Cleft Farms, Bill Stech of Merkel Gardens and Mary Heim of Heim Gardens. Dayle Wright and Dan Kaminsky of Citizens United for Chelsea District Library, talk to passersby.

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graduate of Chelsea High School, is as an aircraft mechanic in the National Guard. Although he has not

yet been called up to duty in Iraq, he said he would go if needed.

"I had full knowledge of the possibility of going when I signed up," he said.

"The troops are fighting for our country and something

bigger than themselves. If soldiers were not still giving their lives, we would not have any of the freedoms we currently have."

—Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove also contributed to this article.

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When the results were called in to the crowd at the Chelsea Depot by Library Trustee Karen Dixon, the crowd of nearly 100 erupted with cheering and clapping.

"Today's vote is a big win for everyone in our community," Library Director Metta Lansdale said. "We are grateful to our voters."

McKune House will be renovated and refurbished and put back into operation as McKune Memorial Library, this time with an 18,000-square-foot extension added to its historic walls. The schematic design process will begin immediately, Lansdale said, and the library anticipates breaking ground sometime next spring. The project is expected to be completed during the summer of 2006.

The library has been oper-



Chelsea District Library Director Metta Lansdale takes a telephone call from Board Trustee Karon Dixon Tuesday night with the final results from the city of Chelsea.

ating in 8,300 square feet at the Washington Street Education Center leased from the Chelsea School District since 1999, when voters didn't pass a bond

request to expand the McKune Memorial Library. The historic redbrick house was not handicapped accessible and was cramped for space.

## WATER

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The treatment plant's Tonka iron removal system is still functional and is removing the mineral from the water, Steklac said.

The water treatment plant, which went online in the summer of 2002 as the first municipal reverse osmosis system in the state, was constructed with nearly \$10 million in bonds from the Michigan Drinking Water Revolving Fund, administered through the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Those monies also were used to replace old city waterlines.

To fund the improvements, customers paid a 15 percent hike in water fees earlier this year.

Preceded by post-opening delays stemming from cracked coatings inside the water treatment tanks, the reverse osmosis system — which removes impurities including minerals, salts, and bacteria by forcing water through membrane filters — is designed to deliver water with 100 parts per million, or 5.8 grams per gallon of hardness, or mineral content, to water customers.

Untreated, the city's well-based water has a hardness of about 400 parts per million, which is what customers are currently getting.

"We sold residents on 100 parts per million. That's why we're trying to fix it as soon as possible," Steklac said.

Roberts said residents most likely will notice the problem while doing daily household chores.

"You might see some spotting on dishes. Soap won't lather up as well," said Roberts, who has doubled as water superintendent since former Chelsea Water Superintendent Dan Rosenstreter resigned March 16.

Some residents have complained about brown or rusty water, but that was caused by hydrant flushing and was unrelated to water treatment plant problems, Steklac said.

Comprising two separate skids, half of the plant's 36 membrane filter tubes are completely clogged, Steklac said, making complete bypass of the reverse osmosis system necessary to provide sufficient water to the distribution system.

The membranes are expected to last up to five years, but already have been replaced by manufacturer GE Osmonics since they went online in 2002. Another replacement of membranes would cost \$200,000. The membranes have one-year warranties, Steklac said.

New valves were recently installed on the reverse osmosis pipes to facilitate their cleaning, at a cost of \$12,000, but Steklac said the valves would have been added regardless of the situation with the faulty water softeners.

In addition to the clogged filters, about eight pinhole leaks have been discovered in the reverse osmosis cylin-

ders, which were spraying water.

But the reasons for the problems, at this point, are unknown.

"We're still trying to figure out if it's a design issue or an operational issue, or a combination. I don't want to get in a process of pointing fingers," Steklac said. "We're working with engineers, vendors, and Osmonics to come up with a fix."

Diagnosis is needed before determining what information was or was not provided to building engineers, or which party will foot the repair bill, Steklac said.

Toward that end, Osmonics will bring in a reverse osmosis "pilot plant," a scaled-down diagnostic mockup of the water softening system, to determine why the membranes are fouling up so quickly, Steklac said.

The new plant was designed to produce a maximum daily flow of 1.7 million gallons per day, with water

demand highest in summer months. With the reverse osmosis units working, daily flow averages about 1 million gallons a day.

"We need both skids operating at the same time for the summer," said Roberts.

Roberts said customers with home water softening systems should be ready to use them.

"I would never recommend they take their softeners offline," Roberts said. "When the (soft water) comes on, they can always bypass it."

Steklac said despite the hard water, customers would continue to pay the increased water rates to satisfy contractual obligations with the treatment plant's bondholders.

Steklac described the problems as temporary, with efforts continuing to find short-term and long-term solutions to the water woes.

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"The hard part is over, but now the real work begins," Dixon said Tuesday.

"We've passed the vote, now I'd like to see us win the hearts of those who voted no by showing the community how great this is going to be for everyone."

One of those naysayers is retiree Roland Heim of Lima Township who was less than pleased at the election results.

"There are an awful lot of retirees on my road, and now we'll have to pay for something we don't have to use," Heim said yesterday.

"What really makes me mad is that we were told McKune House was not viable, they had to get out, it cost too much to repair — now they're going to spend \$4 million to fix it up — why throw money away?"

Lima Township Supervisor Ken Unterbrink, a member of the honorary capital campaign, said yesterday that while a quality library is need for the entire Chelsea area — both city and townships — he wished that there was a different way to provide funding rather than taxing the agricultural commu-

"I believe they're taxed far too heavily for the amount of services they receive," Unterbrink said. "I'm in support of the new library, but I hope they now will do due diligence on spending community monies that come from the city and townships."

Library Trustee Lynn Fox said that residents understand the need for certain anchors in the downtown area to keep it vital.

"With more than 400 visitors per day, the library is an important destination point that also provides businesses with additional opportunities for bringing customers through their door," she said.

A capital campaign is under way to raise a further \$1.2 million to pay the cost of renovating and refurbishing McKune House and to help defray other building costs.

About \$5 million is needed for new construction. Some \$4 million will be spent on renovation of McKune, site

acquisition and development, building design, insurance, testing, furniture and furnishings, technology and an opening day collection of new books and other resources.

Jennifer Kundak is a member of Friends of the Library and of the grassroots organization Citizens United for a Chelsea District Library. CUCDL members worked the phones constantly, urging local residents to get out and vote.

Kundak said yesterday she was "worn out from the emotional and exciting gathering at the depot."

"I hope that the next two years before McKune Memorial Library is a reality for the community will be blessed with fabulous planning, great construction weather and even higher levels of community participation in preparing for this dream," she said.

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# POLICE BLOTTER

## Scio Township

### Larceny

A 19-year-old man reported items stolen from his car April 26 at his home in Scio Farms Estates, 6655 Jackson Road.

The man said that when he left for work early that morning, he noticed the damage to his car. The dashboard was broken and the interior light was smashed, as was the passenger side vent window.

A car stereo was stolen from the car. Damages and cost to replace the stolen item is estimated at \$600. Violation of a

### Restraining Order

A 30-year-old man was arrested April 26 at Scio Farms Estates, 6655 Jackson Road, after he violated a personal protection order prohibiting him from coming near a 29-year-old woman.

The woman called police after the man came to her home at the Eagle Pointe apartment complex. The woman told police that the man would not leave after being asked, and he threw his cell phone and papers on her porch.

After he left, he returned a short time later and the woman said she could hear him digging at the lock of her apartment, trying to get inside. After the woman told the man she was calling police, he ran away.

Police eventually found the suspect in Scio Farms Estates. He told police that he was not served with the protection order.

After verifying that he was served, police arrested him. The case has been turned over to the prosecutor for review.

### Domestic Assault

A 36-year-old man was arrested April 26 for domestic assault after his wife of three years told police that he hit her in the face.

The woman told police that she returned at 8 p.m. after giving blood to find her husband very drunk. The couple began to argue after the woman started packing her bags to leave.

She told police that he was upset that she wanted to leave. As she started walking toward the door, he punched her in the eye.

The woman fell back and the man immediately apolo-

gized for hitting her, she said. The woman told police she stayed away from him for the rest of the night and that the man passed out three hours later.

The next day, the woman was packing to leave again when her husband pushed her to the floor and she cut her bottom lip.

The woman did not call police, but told a friend, who called 911. The woman told police that she is tired of being assaulted and that she wanted to press charges so her husband could get help for his drinking problem.

The man told police that he has a severe drinking problem and needs help controlling it. He said that he and the woman were pulling each other's hair when he hit her in the face. The man said there have been multiple assaults in the past where he was the victim, but he did not report it.

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

### Identity Theft Fraud

A 39-year-old Gregory woman reported April 28 that she had been the victim of identity theft sometime during the month of April.

The woman told police that she had been contacted by the fraud division of Citibank and was told that a credit card had been opened in her name. The woman learned that the account had been opened in the beginning of April, using her Social Security number and date of birth.

The mailing address given

was for an apartment in Tucson, Ariz. Approximately \$800 had been charged on the account.

A credit check revealed four other credit inquiries since the beginning of March that were not initiated by the woman. Telephone service, cable service and another credit card had been opened in the woman's name.

A deputy contacted Tucson Police Department and asked officers to investigate the complaint.

## Lima Township

### Property Damage

A 77-year-old man reported damage to his tractor April 28 at his home in the 300 block of Freer Road.

The man told police that he has been trying to sell the tractor and had it on display near the road. When he went to check on it, he noticed that one tire was leaking and another had a large gash in it.

The man said he had driven the tractor a few days before and did not notice any damage, nor did he remember running over anything that could have caused the damage.

The man said he has no idea who could have done the damage, which is estimated at \$600.

## Sylvan Township

### Resisting and Obstructing

Michigan State Police arrested a 22-year-old Stockbridge man April 29 on M-52 near Werkner Road after the man became violent with troopers who were trying to deescalate an argument the man was having with his 27-year-old wife.

Troopers saw the couple

walking along the road, and noticed that the man appeared angry and that the woman seemed upset. The woman was crying and told police that she wanted her car keys back so she could return to her home in Tecumseh. The man was waving his arms and told police to take him to jail.

While troopers were trying to calm the man down, he began walking toward his car. After the suspect ignored requests to stop, a trooper attempted to stop him by holding his arm. The man whirled around and pushed the trooper. His arm came close to the trooper's side-arm, and the man was immediately taken to the ground and his eyes were sprayed with a chemical.

The woman told police that the man wanted to see their 18-month-old child. She went to Stockbridge without the child, and the couple began to argue. They both started to

drive toward Tecumseh when the argument progressed.

While on M-52, the man got out of the car and started to walk home. The woman followed him and asked him to get back in the car. The man then grabbed the woman's keys and her purse, and started to walk away when police arrived.

The man complained of pain to his eyes, and was taken to the Chelsea Community Hospital for

treatment before being taken to jail.

## Chelsea

### Property Damage

A 68-year-old man reported property damage April 29 to a window at his business at 6065 Sibley Road.

The man noticed that a window had been broken out, and told police that he thought a person driving a red Jeep could be responsible for the damage.

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## Picture Perfect

Griffin Schouwenaar, 1, of Dexter enjoys a recent romp in Warrior Creek Park, located in downtown Dexter near the Dexter Area Fire Department.

## POLICE

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The man said that he has seen someone in a red Jeep driving erratically through the gravel parking lot. He thinks that the vehicle may have sprayed some rocks while its tires were spinning.

**Stolen Car**  
A 79-year-old man reported that his car was stolen May 1 from his home in the 500 block of Main Street.

The man said he parked and locked the car in his driveway that night.

The man said he has no idea who could have taken the brown-colored 1990 Chrysler.

**Minor in Possession of Alcohol**

An 18-year-old Munith man and a 17-year-old girl were ticketed May 1 at the Chelsea High School prom for being in possession of alcohol.

Michigan law says that minors who record a blood-alcohol content over 0.01 percent can be considered in possession of alcohol.

An administrator at the high school told police, who

were on patrol at the dance, that a chaperone suspected that the couple had been drinking.

Police located the couple, and they admitted to drinking. The girl recorded a blood-alcohol level of 0.03. The man recorded a level of 0.04 percent.

A 19-year-old Saline man and a 19-year-old Ann Arbor man were ticketed May 1 at the Chelsea High School prom for being in possession of alcohol.

An officer asked if they had been drinking, and they replied that they had. The Ann Arbor man recorded a blood-alcohol level of 0.06

percent. The Saline man recorded a blood-alcohol content of 0.05.

The men were ordered to leave the dance immediately, and did so after police determined that they were not driving.

**Minor in Possession of Tobacco**

A 17-year-old girl was ticketed May 1 at the Chelsea High School prom for being in possession of tobacco while under the age of 18.

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

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# COMMENTARY

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## Street Talk

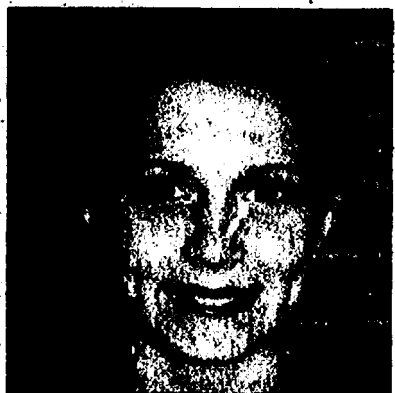
By Rita Fischer

**What do you think is the major cause of obesity in children?**



"I think that it's too much technology. Parents don't make their kids go outside."

Sally Gretka  
Dexter Township



"I think that eating sweets, not exercising enough and eating before bed all adds to the problem."

Breanna Wooster  
Lima Township



"I think that they like TV too much. If they sit a lot and are not active, and eat a lot of fast food and don't exercise, that it's not good."

Michael Kozma  
Chelsea



"I think that it's TV and too much chocolate. We could motivate our kids to exercise more."

Zack Powers  
Lima Township



"I think that too much time in front of the TV, and computers should be balanced out with time outside playing sports."

Shawn Spaulding  
Chelsea



"I think that kids eat too much junk food."

Dave Bobo  
Lima Township

## Time in jail for a good cause



HOME FRONT

When I was contacted recently by the Muscular Dystrophy Association and told that I would be arrested as part of its annual Chelsea Lock-Up program, I was ready to give the same response I had given for the last three years: "I am sorry. I'd like to help, but that's on our deadline day and I just can't get away from my desk to participate."

But they got me. This year's fund-raiser is on a Thursday, not a Tuesday.

So after agreeing and before approaching anyone about donating to the organization, I decided to find out

what the MDA is all about. You can check it out, too, at [www.mdausa.org](http://www.mdausa.org).

Launched in 1950 by people struggling with muscular dystrophy, parents of children afflicted with it, and the physicians and researchers studying the disorder, the organization helps raise money to fund research, programs and education related to muscular dystrophy.

I am sure you've seen comedian and actor Jerry Lewis on television raising money through his annual telethon. His efforts raise a lot of awareness for the organization.

MDA operates as a voluntary health agency as it works to conquer neuromuscular diseases that affect more than a million people in the United States, according to the MDA Web site.

Those diseases include amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, as well as juvenile spinal muscular atrophy, spinal bulbar

atrophy, Friedreich's ataxia and Becker muscular dystrophy, among many others with complicated and hard-to-pronounce names.

Lou Gehrig's disease, or ALS, is probably one of the most widely known afflictions. It's a fatal, progressive neuromuscular disease that generally strikes adults.

Christopher Rice of Texas began experiencing the symptoms when his speech had slurred and slowed, and he began having difficulty walking, according to his story as told on the MDA's Web site.

The disorder starts with generalized muscle weakness and eventually leads to paralysis. The average survival rate is three to five years. There is no cure.

Rice and his family are living life to the fullest every day and are hoping the MDA will find a cure someday. To date, they report that the MDA has spent more than \$155 million on services and research seeking better

treatments and a cure.

Most of the MDA's programs are funded by individual contributions. So, that's where the volunteers who will be locked up next Thursday at Chelsea's Common Grill come into play. We will be calling everyone we know for help as we sit in the "Maximum Appreciation Facility."

I thought I would get a head start on the competition by making a plea to our readers. After all, it's for a good cause.

According to the MDA, 76 percent of every dollar raised directly supports research, health care services and education. It spends more than \$30 million a year on research and funds nearly 400 projects worldwide.

If we can raise \$5,250 together, we will sponsor a cabin of 10 at the MDA's weeklong Camp Cheerful in Lexington for those 6 to 21 years old with neuromuscular disease. If we hit the \$3,420 target, it counts toward one hour of MDA-

funded worldwide research. Even \$2,000 does a lot of good, helping the MDA purchase wheelchairs, a set of leg braces and communication devices for individuals in need.

To help me stay out of "jail" and, more importantly, to do a lot of good and communicate our support from the Chelsea-Dexter communities, call me at 475-1371 or e-mail [mrogers@heritage.com](mailto:mrogers@heritage.com). All I need is your name, address and a pledge to contribute any amount of money, from \$5 to whatever you can spare.

I can take your credit card number or you can mail me a check. The MDA will even bill you based on your pledge amount if I have your contact information.

Send your pledges today. If I raise \$1,200 in "bail" before Wednesday, I'll be released automatically and won't be detained.

Then again, I am sure many people would like to see me spend some time behind bars.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Developer, city helped save tree

I'd like to give thanks to Cook Development for saving an oak tree adjacent to our property, joining Belstar Estates to Chelsea Ridge.

A year ago, I wrote a letter published in The Chelsea Standard expressing my disappointment with Cook's decision to tear down the old oak and replace it with a sapling. Thank you for listening, thank you for reconsidering, and special thanks for the extra effort working around this beautiful old oak tree.

Thank you also to Chelsea Zoning and Ordinance Administrator Jim Drolett and staff for supporting the decision to maintain the old oak tree.

I've put a "vacancy" sign next to the tree, hoping to get some squirrel applicants.

Thank you Cook Development and the Chelsea City administration.

Kathy Mahoney  
Chelsea

### CCA's actions leave sour taste

The Chelsea Center for the Arts' recent actions concerning the Pathway to Renewal is just another off note in the sour song they are playing in our community.

They behave in an elitist fashion, closing out people in our community who they feel are not worthy of them. The art community has a responsibility to be concerned with the growth of all members of the community and should be opening doors to all, instead of slamming them on the fingers of artists and students.

The Pathway does not belong to CCA any more than the music, paintings, pots, statuary, and the feelings, hope, dreams, goals, growth, and inspiration that the creation of these art forms does.

The Chelsea area is blessed with an incredible number of active, talented and giving artists seeking a venue for their talents. The CCA has fallen sharply short of being that space for many artists and students.

The arts have the potential to move our town into becoming the inclusive, growing, nurturing, caring community that it can and should be. Let us join together to move in the best and right direction for all, not just for the few.

Hazel Schroeder  
Chelsea

### Pupils excelled at Variety Show

During the last two months, I had the opportunity to work

with some third- and fourth-grade students at Pierce Lake Elementary School for their Variety Show. The show took place last Thursday, and I cannot express enough how proud I am of all of the show's participants.

These students were not only a talented group, but they were also the nicest group of students to work with.

On Thursday, during our shows, we experienced some glitches. Not once did these students get upset or complain. They waited calmly for the glitches to be worked out and they performed beautifully.

My pride is not just for the participants in the show, it also extends to every Pierce Lake Elementary student. The children in the audience were so well behaved and supported their classmates with enthusiasm and pride. How wonderful it was to see our audience support the brave students who performed for them.

For those parents and Pierce Lake staff who thanked me for my hard work, I say thank you. Thank you for the wonderful job you are doing on raising and teaching such polite, caring and truly wonderful children.

It is rewarding experiences, such as the Variety Show, that will keep me volunteering for our schools.

Jill de Meijer  
Lyndon Township

### Howdy Holmes a true patriot

I am a longtime friend of Jiffy Mix's Howdy Holmes. He has been a quiet supporter of many veterans programs in the area.

I have always been able to depend on his support, whether it's for a Support Our Troops rally, our annual Vietnam Veterans Memorial fund-raiser or any other time I have called on him for help.

He is a dependable, true and passionate patriot.

Now, there is a similarly named, but not related, visible person in Chelsea named Howard L. Holmes.

Due to what appears to be political partisanship pertaining to the war in Iraq, some recent statements by the much more liberal Howard L. Holmes have been incorrectly pinned on the "real" Howdy Holmes.

I know that on this issue Howdy does not feel the same as Howard L. The ideologies of these two men differ greatly pertaining to our current war on terrorism.

I know Howdy definitely

supports our troops and their leaders. I know he attended and supported our 2003 Support Our Troops rallies.

As the rally leader, I can remember him being in the front row with his flag. He has not forgotten the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and he supports our country's fight against terrorism.

To the "real" Howdy Holmes, I want to personally publicly thank you for all you do for us local veterans and our troops. We salute you.

John Kinzinger  
Washtenaw County Council  
of Veterans Commander  
Ypsilanti

### School bond will cost taxpayers money

I'm told that the decision to reconfigure the schools was made long before last year, is unlikely to be reversed, and that it's futile to revisit the issue at this time. I do believe, however, that it deserves a postcard in light of the school bond issue currently before the public.

Many will recall that reconfiguration was first presented to the public as a way to cut costs. When it was revealed that reconfiguration would not save money, the administration claimed that the change would be so beneficial for the students that it would be tragic not to implement it.

They also said they knew what was best for the children (not the parents), and that it would happen anyway, despite public opposition, including a petition signed by 500-plus members of the community requesting a delay for further study.

Since then, I have tried to find out if the ill will and inconvenience created by the change has been worth it. I asked both the superintendent and 30 out of 33 K-4 teachers to provide some concrete examples of how the students have benefited academically, socially, etc.

Superintendent Dave Killips' reply came after three months and three requests (he claimed e-mail retrieval problems) and his answer was a warmed over version of this pro/con list we enjoyed last winter.

I have yet to hear from a teacher. This tells me that there has been no benefit. I am also disturbed to discover that school officials do not feel obliged to answer parents' questions with any thought, originality, or even at all.

We now have the same administration holding 20 teaching positions hostage in exchange for \$28 million for

capital improvements. While the number seems ominous, most of those named were at the secondary level where

the negative impact on class size is far less than at the elementary level. Perhaps a

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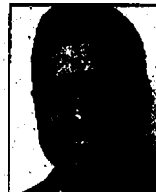
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freeze on raises would save some jobs.

Since their shining moment is reconfiguration, I wouldn't mind having a few less administrators around, either.

At this time, I can't justify injecting more money into a school district that has mismanaged the money it already has while making one bad decision after another. A glaring example is the failure to negotiate a lease with the co-op preschool, which has left the district with even less money than before. This is on top of reports of wasted money and materials in all areas.

It may seem a sacrilege to deny requests made by our "experts" who "care so much" about the children. Yet, these same caring people opted to "dilute the students failing the MEAP test into a larger population rather than providing the help they needed to pass.

Preserving state funding — and jobs — was more important than preserving the neighborhood schools or fulfilling their obligation to provide quality education.

Since reconfiguration was proposed to relieve overcrowding at the middle school and move the sixth-graders to elementary school, a more sensible solution would have been a bond proposal that would have built onto — and improved — the existing schools to accommodate the shifted population.

I'm sure it would have easily passed. Instead, K-6 families are disconnected while any enjoyment in our children's school life is negated by the logistical nightmare it has become.

I think Kellie Hill's letter to the editor "PTO at South needs volunteers," published April 29, regarding decreased parent involvement speaks, volumes to this. I understand Killips is reluctant to publish an itemization of what the bond will fund fearing that the public will misunderstand. (Can we find the polling place by ourselves?)

Instead, we get the entertainingly vague brochure titled "2004 Bond Proposal." What little information it contains addresses items non-essential to core academics, namely air conditioning and athletics. New busses and other important items represent only small percentage of the money requested.

The claim that the bond will not increase our taxes is

misleading. When a taxpayer does not realize a decrease for five extra years, it is the equivalent of an increase. The figure of \$700 a year per household has been used as an estimate of this tax "non-increase," while the district is short about \$84 per student.

Unless a family has more than eight children in school, it would be more economical to reimburse the district \$84 per child every year. This way, valuable teachers could stay, while we buy the time we need to re-establish the pecking order between the school administrators and the parents and community they purportedly serve. For too long, it has been the other way around.

By the way, the only reason we get to vote is because it is the law, not because our opinions really matter.

Perhaps next year, there will be a revised bond proposal deleting non-essentials and involving significant parental input. (Converting all three elementary schools to K-6 at breakneck speed would be a bonus.)

Before any of that can happen, though, we need to fix a bigger problem facing the district — not money, but the inefficiency and disrespect our administrators have demonstrated.

I hope the election of two more parent-friendly members to the school board, namely Jill de Meijer and Steve Olsen, will help with that.

For now, I have no plans to fund a school district that has taken on the attitude of some of the adolescents it teaches — parents are there to shell out money and not ask questions.

Maura Robbins  
Chelsea

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This fund-raising effort also enjoyed the special support this year of the Springer Agency, Lane Animal Hospital and Edward Jones Investments.

Proceeds from this annual drive are used to fund many activities for the mentally challenged young men and women at the St. Louis Center in Sylvan Township and those of the broader Chelsea community through Chelsea special education.

We are proud to be part of this community and wish to express our sincere thanks to the many generous contributors who make this work possible.

Frank Pignatelli  
Gregory

### Company's practices harmful to animals

Hi, my name is Hailey. I'm 11 years old, a big animal lover, and I don't agree with some things I have been hearing about the treatment of animals.

I am the owner of one dog, two cats and two gerbils, and I care about all of them. I was recently told by a friend of reports about horrible things being done by Iams. After hearing of these things, I went on the Web site PETA.com to confirm what I was told. The things I heard were true.

Even though Iams is a very successful company, I am willing to give up its product to help the innocent animals they are testing on, and I hope you will, too. The following are some of the things being done to these poor, innocent animals:

• Dogs and cats being kept in cages, sometimes up to six years.

• Dogs and cats being kept in horrible conditions with ear infections and rotting teeth, as well as injured paws from balancing on cages with metal slats.

• Extreme heat and humidity in the summer, and almost freezing temperatures in the winter.

• And one of the worst reports; dogs left on filthy floors after having large chunks of muscle removed from their thighs (in the name of testing!).

At least 27 dogs have been killed and others are dying one by one from the neglect they have been through. Despite the assurances of Iams that no animal would be killed on purpose, these things have not improved.

Please consider what I've said and investigate for yourselves at PETA.com. Another good thing you could do is write to the following people and let them know you disapprove of mistreatment of animals: Jeffery Ansell, president of Iams, 7250 Poe Ave., Dayton, OH 45414-5801, or Bill Miller, director of sales Iams-Canada, 920 Gana Court, Mississauga, Ontario L5S 1Z4.

Hailey Dixon  
Lima Township

### Chelsea variance fees too expensive

I am a senior citizen and a lifelong resident of Chelsea. My home is on a corner lot in Chelsea. I've had a split rail fence on the corner of my property since 1994. The fence had some rotting wood, so I removed it.

My son bought me a nice, white picket fence for my birthday and placed it in the same "foot print" as the split rail fence. A number of residents in Chelsea told me how nice it looked.

When I made this repair/improvement, I thought because I was just replacing

an existing fence, in exactly the same spot, it would be covered by the "grandfather clause."

The split rail fence was in place before the 1998 ordinance. The 1998 ordinance says any fence has to be 5 feet from the sidewalk. The split rail fence was not 5 feet from the sidewalk, so the replacement fence was not 5 feet from the sidewalk.

The Chelsea Planning and Zoning Department informed me that I needed a variance or had to remove the fence, or pay \$50 a day as long as it remains.

I planned to apply for a variance until I found out the cost for a variance. For that small, corner fence it's \$225, more than two times the cost of the fence. How outrageous. I am retired and on a budget, so I had no choice but to remove it.

I toured Chelsea and found 36 properties within the city with fences fewer than 5 feet from the sidewalk. The new city parking lot and the fairgrounds were included.

I question how many residents have had these fences in place before the 1998 ordinance.

I question how many residents have paid such excessive fees for the privilege. I question what is the hazard of these fences to the city and the residents. I also question how much less hazardous for the city and the residents my fence would be if I gave the city a check for \$225 for the privilege.

I don't fault the city for asking residents for a variance for slight changes in some ordinances; however, I do believe the reason for the variance should be to protect the city and the residents and not to make money from residents who want to repair and improve.

The fence I put on my property was a repair/maintenance to my property within the city and, therefore, an improvement to the city.

I believe that the excess charge for such a variance is the very thing that can discourage residents from repairing and improving their property in the city.

Why can't Chelsea do better than this for the residents of this city?

Phyllis Stepp  
Chelsea

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# Trustees pick city seal design

Choice is slightly different than the old village emblem

By Steve Ricci  
Staff Writer

Chelsea has a new, official city seal — and it's a slightly changed variant of the old village emblem.

Members of the Chelsea City Council last week voted to adopt the seal, with Trustee Cheri Albertson the sole dissenter.

Albertson argued that the year 2004 should be included in the new seal as a nod to the individuals who worked

to make Chelsea a city.

City Manager Mike Steklac and trustees Jason Lindauer and Frank Hammer advocated for inclusion of the year 1834.

"I think people look at the history and longevity of the village as a source of pride," Hammer said.

Hammer said passage of the city charter was a sufficient enough honor for members of the Chelsea City Charter Commission.

The final design, rendered by Chelsea City Engineer Chris Linfield, changes the word "village" to "city" and displays the year 1834, when Chelsea officially became a village.



The seal also displays the Chelsea Clock Tower and Chelsea Milling Co. silos.

There is no reference to the year 2004 — the year Chelsea became a city — on the new seal.

Prior mockups included displaying 2004 on the outermost circle of the seal, with

"Est. 1834" displayed on an inset circle.

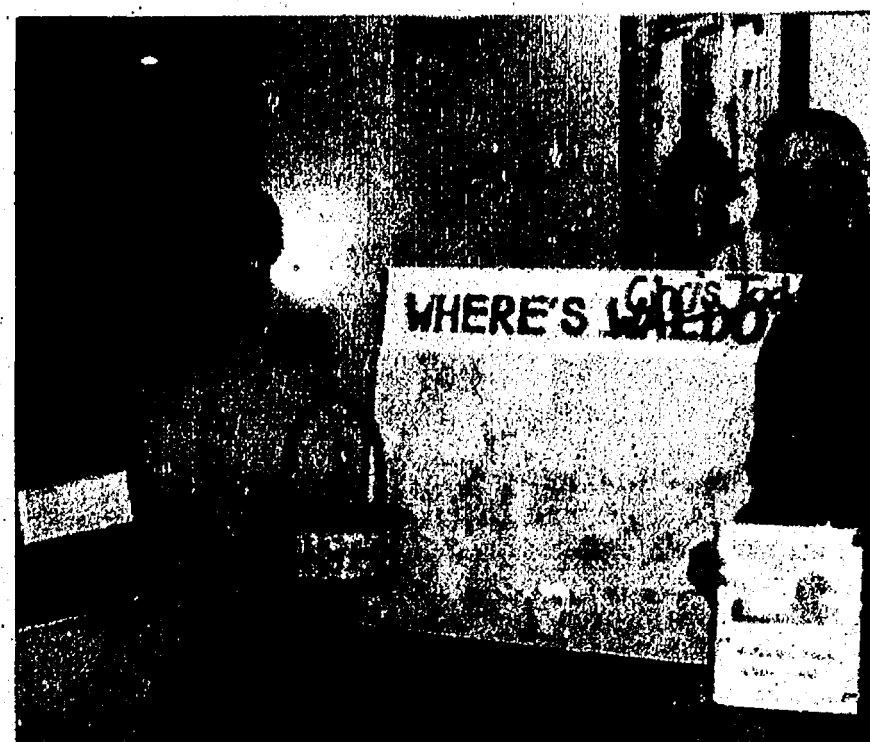
Trustees debated about inclusion of the two years at a March 30 City Council meeting.

Steklac invited public input for the seal design after that meeting.

Steklac said the city would also develop a new logo when it moves into a new city hall.

The new city seal might be inscribed on new manhole covers, as well. Steklac said last week the manufacturer of the manhole covers might waive fees for the inscriptions.

Staff Writer Steve Ricci can be reached at 475-1371 or sricci@heritage.com.



## Making Wishes Come True

Sylvan Township resident Chris Todd (right) recently completed a fund-raising bicycle ride for the Make-A-Wish Foundation from San Diego to St. Augustine, Fla. Lynne Boham (left) and Debbie Thompson maintained a daily update board at the Chelsea Wellness Center, together with Claudette Weaver, who is not pictured. Donations, payable to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, may be sent to Christopher Todd, P.O. Box 271, Chelsea, MI 48118.

## CAFA

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Fiscal-year city expenses have increased from \$440,440 in 1998-1999 to \$648,940 in 2003-2004. There were 1,063 fire runs in fiscal year 2004, up from 737 in fiscal year 1999.

The study said hiring a full-time fire chief — who would manage costs and develop procedures to maximize operational efficiency — could reduce overall fire costs.

Frank recommended that a dedicated CAFA operating millage be levied, in lieu of tax-based general fund transfers that the task force said

would be equivalent.

The dedicated millage would indemnify remaining members if a municipality withdrew from CAFA and would provide more autonomy for the fire authority, but would increase Chelsea's exposure to liability, Frank said.

Frank said the Middle Street station was in a good strategic location, and should be rebuilt. The study recommended either that option or building a new station on land the city already owns.

CAFA articles of incorporation need amendment to require longer notice for separation should a municipality decide to pull out of the fire authority, the task-

force study said.

A joint meeting of the Chelsea City Council and the CAFA Board will be scheduled to discuss the task force

findings and recommendations.

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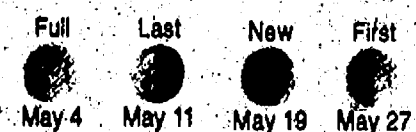
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% of normal this year ..... 56%

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Akron	74/57	75/58	Albany	69/48	64/44	Albuquerque	60/54	65/54	Anchorage	61/40	55/38
Atlanta	82/62	84/62	Atlanta City	68/55	74/53	Austin	84/64	86/65	Baltimore	74/56	78/56
Baton Rouge	84/62	84/63	Birmingham	72/46	71/43	Bismarck	82/59	80/51	Bloomington	82/59	80/51
Boise	79/52	78/49	Boston	65/48	62/48	Brownsville	85/71	87/72	Butte	65/50	62/50
Burlington, IA	85/62	82/52	Burlington, VT	64/44	59/44	Casper	80/42	78/40	Cedar Rapids	81/59	81/59
Charleston, SC	86/64	88/65	Charleston, WV	84/61	83/57	Charlotte	84/59	86/62	Chattanooga	84/59	86/62
Chicago	78/58	79/58	Cincinnati	83/60	83/60	Cleveland	75/58	75/58	Columbia, MO	84/61	81/51
Columbus, OH	79/60	80/55	Dallas	88/64	87/65	Davenport	81/59	81/59	Dayton	78/58	79/58
Denver	81/53	82/48	Des Moines	85/60	82/59	Duluth	63/41	62/44	El Paso	96/63	94/63
Fairbanks	84/33	84/31	Fargo	74/50	73/55	Flagstaff	73/56	73/55	Fort Wayne	78/56	78/56
Gary	82/59	80/58	Green Bay	72/48	68/51	Honolulu	84/71	84/72	Houston	86/64	86/64
Indianapolis	81/61	79/58	Jackson	76/54	75/58	Kalamazoo	76/52	75/58	Lansing	78/58	78/58
Kansas City	89/63	88/64	Las Vegas	97/65	94/63	Lexington, KY	82/59	81/60	Lincoln	92/59	87/60
Little Rock	87/62	86/63	Los Angeles	76/58	74/58	Louisville	76/52	75/58	Madison	78/55	74/57
Memphis	84/64	84/64	Miami	84/72	80/52	Minneapolis	78/54	77/55	Mobile	82/62	84/63
Nashville	84/62	85/63	New Orleans	84/62	84/62	New York	69/58	71/56	Norfolk	74/64	79/63
Oakland	83/62	84/61	Orlando	88/64	88/64	Palm Springs	86/64	86/64	Peoria	82/61	80/61
Philadelphia	72/56	74/54	Phoenix	102/72	103/73	Pittsburgh	75/58	75/58	Portland, ME	60/44	62/41
Portland, OR	65/47	65/47	Providence	68/49	65/51	Raleigh	84/60	83/62	Rapid City	71/48	74/48
Richmond	79/62	84/61	Sacramento	78/62	78/62	St. Louis	85/63	83/64	San Antonio	82/65	86/67
San Diego	86/66	87/66	San Francisco	68/54	69/54	Seattle	60/45	62/47	South Bend	78/58	78/58
Springfield, IL	85/61	81/62	Tampa	85/66	86/66	Toledo	78/58	78/58	Tucson	95/64	94/64
Washington, DC	78/60	78/60	Wichita	80/64	82/63	Yonkers	74/58	74/58			

### LOCAL WEATHER



### MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur.	Fri.
Ann Arbor	78/52	72/50
Battle Creek	78/54	74/57
Bay City	78/47	68/51
Coldwater	78/57	78/58
Dearborn	78/54	71/56
Detroit	78/54	72/54
Grand Rapids	75/52	72/56
Holland	74/52	73/57
Jackson	76/48	72/50
Kalamazoo	76/52	75/58
Lansing	76/50	72/55
Livonia	76/53	72/52
Midland	75/48	68/52
Monroe	73/54	71/55
Muskegon	72/51	69/56
Pontiac	73/50	70/55
Port Huron	74/47	68/51
Saginaw	78/47	68/51
Saige	78/52	72/50
Sault Ste. Marie	64/40	59/43
Sturgis	78/57	76/57
Troy	81/61	65/51
Traverse City	71/48	64/48
Warren	75/55	70/57

### AGRICULTURE

**Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties**  
A cold front will bring a shower or thunderstorm Thursday with rainfall amounts averaging 0.10-0.20 of an inch. Winds will be west 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 ..... 78°  
Highest Friday ..... 72°  
Highest Saturday ..... 72°  
Highest Sunday ..... 76°

### WORLD CITIES

City	Thur.	Fri.
Acapulco	87/70	89/72
Algiers	84/45	68/44
Amsterdam	69/45	64/43
Athens	76/55	72/54
Auckland	63/62	64/61
Bangkok	89/77	90/76
Barbados	88/69	87/68
Beijing	81/59	81/62
Beirut	83/65	84/63
Belgrade	66/46	68/45
Berlin	68/48	64/42
Bogota	70/52	63/49
Buenos Aires	87/44	83/45
Cairo	106/69	100/68
Calgary	43/24	42/25
Cape Town	79/59	82/60
Copenhagen	62/48	60/47
Dublin	55/39	52/37
Frankfurt	66/38	60/34
Geneva	55/38	55/39
Hong Kong	79/68	81/71
Istanbul	69/51	69/49
Jakarta	90/78	91/76
Jerusalem	86/68	83/61
Khartoum	78/52	73/51
Karachi	104/82	102/81

### SOLUNAR TABLE

Four-day forecast indicates peak feeding times for fish and game.  
**Major - Minor Major - Minor**  
THU: 12:30 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.  
FRI: 2:22 a.m. 6:40 a.m. 3:04 p.m. 8:20 p.m.  
SAT: 3:46 a.m. 6:50 a.m. 4:15 p.m. 10:21 p.m.  
SUN: 4:58 a.m. 7:05 a.m. 5:22 p.m. 11:28 p.m.

### UV INDEX

Highest Thursday ..... 6  
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, May 6, 2004

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LUMAN  
STRONG

## LETTER FROM KOREA

## Markets give taste of Asia

In many ways Seoul is more westernized than the West itself. Advanced technology and intercontinental travel have meshed cultures together in a myriad of ways.

As Tanya and I sit in a busy Seoul Starbucks sipping lattes to the sound of American jazz and watching people in jeans and leather jackets talk on cell phones, we forget we are actually in Asia.

A Baskin Robbins, KFC and Pizza Hut on virtually every corner tend to give the feeling of suburban America rather than a 4,000-year-old culture.

One part of ancient Asia still remains in Seoul — the marketplace. There isn't really any parallel in North America. Perhaps the closest may be a farmers' market, but on steroids.

The peculiar part of Korean markets is that so many vendors sell the same thing. Out of 1,000 stalls, there may have been 300 selling garlic.

We might assume that something set one seller apart from another — perhaps the largest or specialty form of garlic — but it was not so. Vendors all sold the same thing — plastic baskets placed on a blue tarp with peeled garlic. Somehow they all make money and continue to exist.

The heart of the market is in alleys with tables on both sides and another row down the center. The available walking space might be 14 inches wide, shared at any one moment by three people — one of whom is pulling a wheelbarrow-like cart — two dogs and a motorcycle.

A foreigner quickly learns to go with the flow, getting jostled, elbowed and pushed from behind — with no apologies or "excuse me" — just part of the whole experience.

Your eyes jump from one table to the next — an octopus table, a vendor with 25 different kinds of mushrooms and a room full of 55-gallon drums filled with tiny shrimp.

Just when you think you have seen everything, you round a corner and see more, vendor upon vendor selling shaved tree bark and thistles for medicinal purposes and huge ginseng roots nearly 3 feet long placed in something resembling ninth-grade biology bottles of formaldehyde.

Smells of fish, fresh meat, vegetables, live animals and gasoline invade your nostrils. The sensation of getting pushed, bumped and fascinated at almost every table.

All this made me forget mail-order catalogs and credit cards and on-line buying for just a brief time, and gave me a quick view into Asia as it was — garlic and all.

Chelsea teacher Luman Strong and his wife, Tanya, are spending two years at a school in Seoul, Korea. They can be reached at lumanseoul@yahoo.com.

By Rita Fischer  
Special Writer

When Donna Garner bought a beaded bracelet from a friend at work, it wasn't just a pretty piece of jewelry to adorn her wrist. It was the first step on a path to a new hobby and career.

The friend, Teresa Ephlin, who had taken a craft class offered at the Visteon automotive plant in Saline, where the two women work, showed Garner how to make a bracelet with some inexpensive pink crystal from a local craft store.

"After I made that first one I thought, 'This is cool,'" Garner says. "She showed me how to do it."

"I took the same class that Teresa took and found that I can actually do this. I never thought I could be so creative."

After taking only one class, Garner found she took to design like a duck to water. She can look at jewelry in a store and figure out how to design it herself.

"I bought some beads and played around with them, then moved up to the finer crystal beads. Someone wanted one, and it's taken off from there."

Her co-workers at the Visteon plant, where she works as an administrative assistant to the area manager, encourage her creativity, she says.

Garner's first attempt at sales in a booth at a Civil War muster in Jackson, wasn't a roaring success. On the first day, she sold only two or three pieces.

Day 2 was a different story.

"The next day, it took off," she says.

Garner works in a basement craft area of her Sylvan Township home, creating earrings, necklaces, bracelets and watches out of pearls, beads and crystals.

"All of it is custom made," she says. "Everything is handmade by me."

"I love to take a handful of beads on my bead board, lay them out and see what looks good. It's fun and I enjoy it. It satisfies my creative side."

Along the way there was a certain amount of trial and error for the neophyte artisan.

For example, she found beads and dogs are not a terribly good mix.

"There was a time when I had beads on the bead board," she says.

"I had four necklaces, three bracelets and earrings all ready to put together."

"We had just let our lab, Brandy, in from outside. She came flying in and knocked the whole table over."

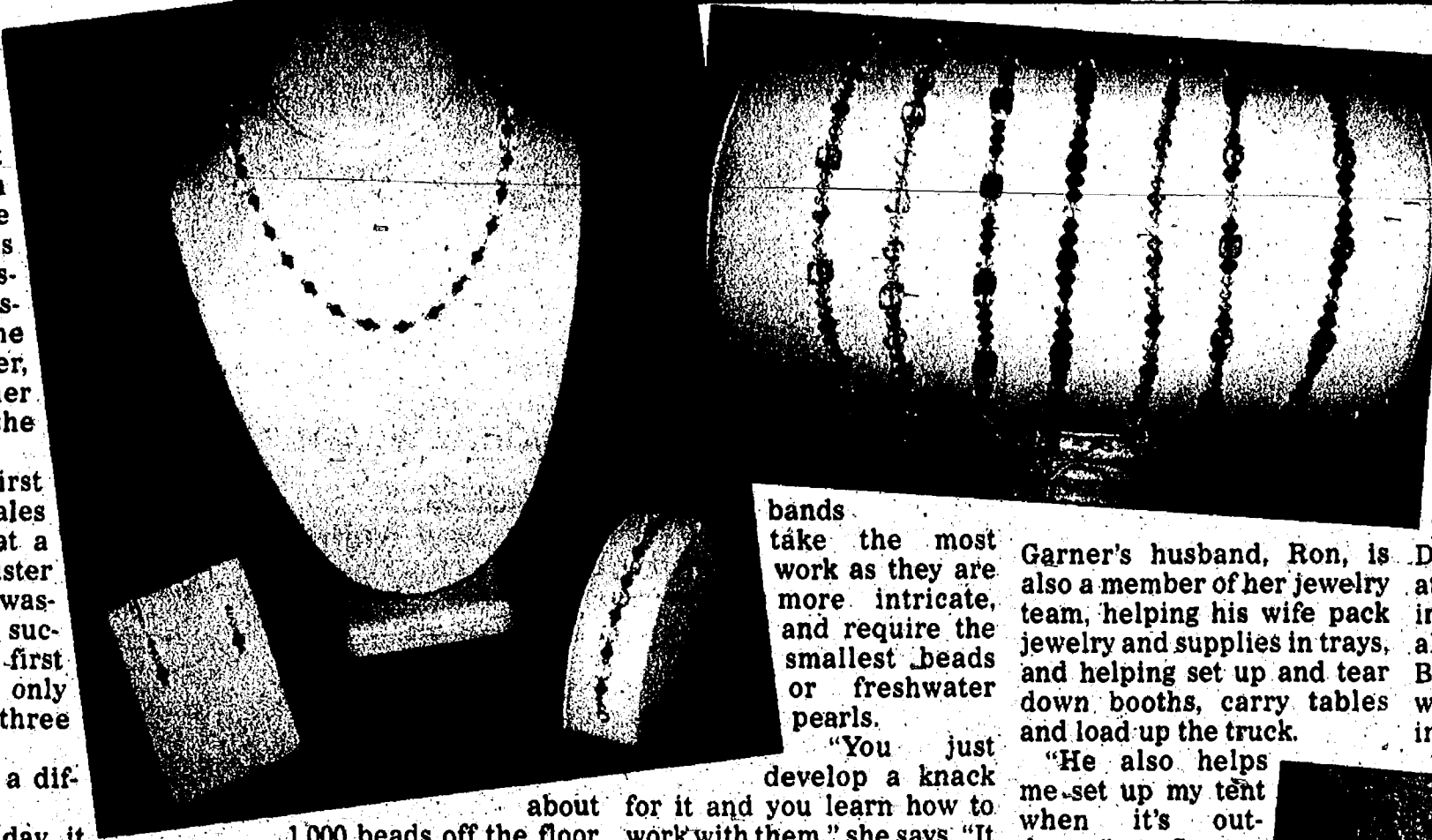
After picking up

# Crystal clear

## Local artisan enjoys creating jewelry



Sylvan Township artisan Donna Garner creates jewelry from beads, pearls and crystals. She will be displaying her work at several area shows this year.



breaks when I'm at a show.

"Right now, he is my left arm — literally — as my shoulder is recovering from surgery."

When Garner is not working at Visteon or on her jewelry, she enjoys going to craft shows, antique shows and yard sales, and visiting hobby and craft shows, or going camping with Ron and the dogs.

She is looking forward to participating in this year's Dexter Daze and plans to attend the Civil War muster in Jackson in August. She also will exhibit at shows in Belleville and Marshall, as well as several other shows in the area.

bands take the most work as they are more intricate, and require the smallest beads or freshwater pearls.

"You just develop a knack for it and you learn how to work with them," she says. "It takes practice, getting used to the beads."

Garner's husband, Ron, is also a member of her jewelry team, helping his wife pack jewelry and supplies in trays, and helping set up and tear down booths, carry tables and load up the truck.

"He also helps me set up my tent when it's outdoors," Garner says. "He gives me

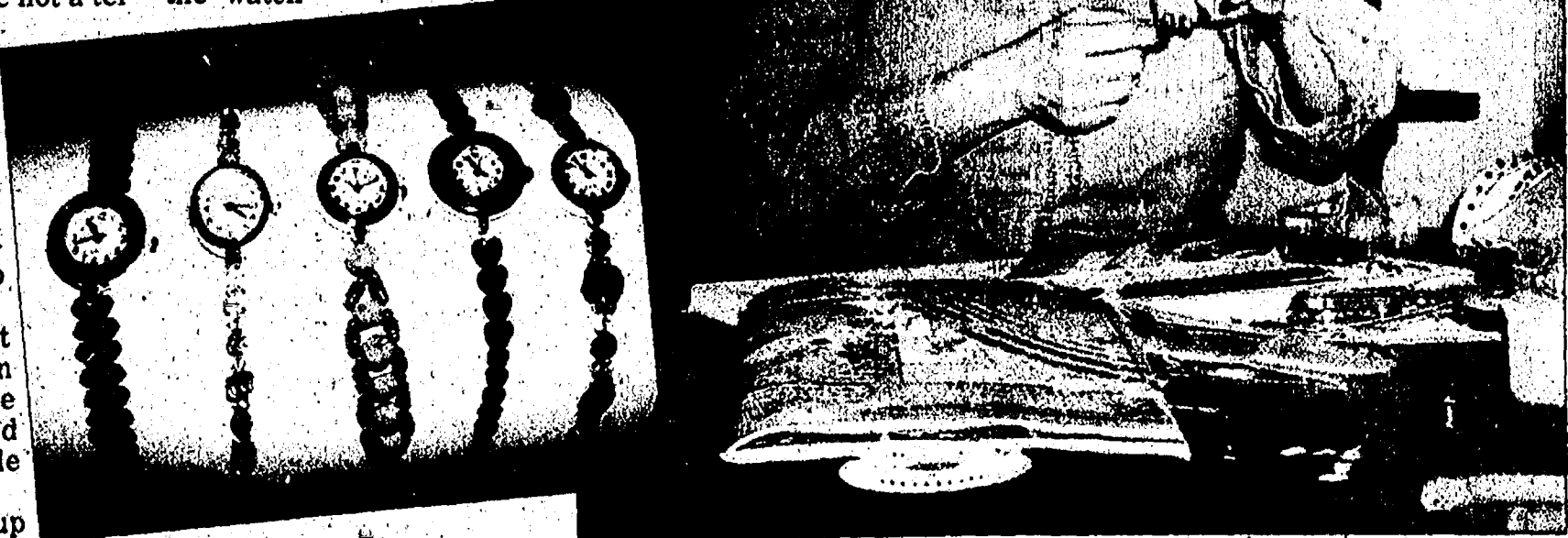
about 1,000 beads off the floor Garner set to work again on the items, which were intended as Christmas presents.

Another time, Garner returned home after buying more supplies and left a bag full of beads on the couch. Her two dogs clearly thought they would find a new toy.

"The dogs ripped them all open," she says. "The beads were in the couch, behind the couch and everywhere else."

"It looked like a scene from 'I Love Lucy' gone wrong."

Garner, an Ypsilanti native who has called the Chelsea area home for 15 years, says the watch-



Garner, who has a work area set up in her basement, focuses on the intricate handiwork required to make the jewelry and watch bands.



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## CHELSEA

### Friday, May 7 & Saturday, May 8

**Chelsea High School's Company C**, formerly Show Choir, will present "Cabaret" 7:30 p.m. at the Chelsea High School auditorium, 740 N. Freer Road. Tickets are \$8 and available at Chelsea Pharmacy and the door.

### Saturday, May 8

**The alternatives to violence program** will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Michigan Friends Center, 7748 Clark Lake Road, near Chelsea. Registration fee is \$25. Participants should bring a brown-bag lunch. For information and to register, call 475-1892.

**Boy Scout Troop 425** will sell flowers and plants from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Chelsea State Bank at Old US-12 and M-52. For more information, call Cheryl Green at 475-1568.

**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 entertainment is Barefoot Kevin Band.

### Tuesday, May 11

**Unadilla Baseline Cemetery** will hold its annual meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Unadilla Church, 20175 Williamville Road, in Unadilla.

**Chelsea School District** will host an informational forum about the June 14 bond proposal. The event will include a question-and-answer session. It will be held 7 p.m. in the boardroom at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. Similar forums are scheduled for May 17 and May 27, same time and place.

### Tuesday, May 11 through Friday, May 14

**The Chelsea School District Art Department** will host an art show of student work from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center in the cafeteria and boardroom, 500 Washington St. The event is open to the public.

### Wednesday, May 12

**Bed and breakfast open houses** will be held from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and includes Chelsea House, 118 E. Middle St., Lyndon Oaks, 17720 North Territorial, and Waterloo Gardens, 7800 Werker Road, in Chelsea. The event is free.

**The Chelsea District Library** will present a technology workshop titled "Novelist," the reader's advisory database, from 6 to 8 p.m. Registration is required, but the workshop is free. For information or to register, call 475-8732.

### Thursday, May 13

**Senior Connections** continues at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., at 10 a.m. with "A Musical Journey with singer Miriam Kuschel — NYC Bound." A free bus ride is available for those living in the library's district. A \$2 lunch is also available. Registration is required for the bus ride and lunch. Call 475-8732 for more information.

**A town hall meeting** on a new prescription drug law will be hosted by the Western Washtenaw Democrats 1 p.m. at the Chelsea Senior Center, 603 S. Main St.

## 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, 20480 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 156** 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

**New Bible Study** meets every Wednesday through May from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. with Pastor Mearl Bradley at

the Chelsea Senior Center, 603 S. Main St. Refreshments will be served. Call 475-9242 to register.

**Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4078**, 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

### Tuesday, May 11

**American Red Cross Blood Drive** will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Washtenaw County Department of Environment, 705 N. Zeeb Road, in Scio Township. To make an appointment, 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. Walk-ins are welcome.

**TOPS, also known as Taking Off Pounds Sensibly**, will hold an open house 7 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Citizens Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter. TOPS is a nonprofit group promoting better health through weight control.

### Saturday, May 15

**Michigan Dahlia Association's** plant sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Dexter Mill, 3515 Central St., in Dexter.

**St. Andrew's Quilters "Wrapped in Love"** quilt show is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's United Church of Christ, 7610 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter. More than 160 quilts from three centuries will be on display. There will be a baked goods sale with coffee and cake in the morning, and a luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Pirate Carnival**, hosted by the Dexter School of Martial Arts, will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 7275 Joy Road in Dexter. The Dexter Dragons will perform, as well. Admission is \$5. For information, call 424-2752.

## 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 American Legion** meets 8 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the American Legion Post, 8225

Dexter-Chelsea Road. Call 426-3112.

**Dexter Community Band** meets from 7 to 9 p.m. every Thursday at the Dexter High School band room, 2200 N. Parker Road. Call 426-2734.

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

**Dexter Rotary Club** meets 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at 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 426-8549.

**Girlfriends Inc.** is for women of all ages. The group meets 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays 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.

**Dexter Village Zoning Board of**

**Appeals** meets 7 p.m. the third Monday of the month at Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St.

### Tuesday

**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 426-3664.

**Dexter Garden Club** meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St. Call 426-2372.

**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 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 Road. Call 426-3112.

**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 426-4477.

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

### Ann Arbor

### Tuesday, May 11

**"Teens Using Drugs Part 2: What to Do"** free seminar will be held 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month through June at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5305 Elliott Drive, in Superior Township. Call 973-7892.

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# New kid on block

## Paul settles in as director of Faith in Action

By Rita Fischer  
Special Writer

Nancy Paul has stepped into the position of director at Faith In Action with a different perspective than the agency has seen in its 24 years.

The successor to Dick Shaneyfelt, who retired at the end of 2003, is the first layperson and the first woman to head up the organization, founded in 1980 by the Rev. Jerry Beaumont of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

The Shaneyfelt connection still continues at FIA, as Shaneyfelt's wife, Nadine,

who served alongside her husband, remains at FIA as Paul's assistant.

"Working with Nancy is a new experience," Nadine Shaneyfelt said. "I believe it will be very rewarding."

"She has all the attributes of being a very good director. I see this as a win-win situation."

Paul, who has a bachelor's degree in sociology from Kalamazoo College, was raised in the Manchester area and has lived in the Chelsea/Dexter area for 14 years.

Prior to joining FIA, she served as director of the Dexter Senior Center for two years.

"This is a different kind of agency," she said. "In Dexter, I was running the senior center and providing specific recreation and educational activities for seniors."

Paul, who has also served on the Chelsea District Library Board, enjoys the new challenge at FIA, which includes overseeing the day-to-day operation of the organization, housed on the grounds of Chelsea Community Hospital.

FIA provides assistance and serves as a resource center for families and individuals in the Chelsea and Dexter school districts who need a helping hand.

Paul also oversees pro-

grams that provide emergency help with utilities and housing, collection and distribution for the food pantry, and the clothes closet. With links in both Chelsea and Dexter, she is anxious to serve both communities, she said.

"Faith In Action is in the community to help out in whatever way that we can," Paul said. "People do want to help and we're here to help those that need it."

"Most of my experience has been in different areas of human service work," she said. "I find this a good opportunity to be involved and help those that need it. I want to do the best that I can as the director."

Paul and her husband, Jim, who works for a consulting engineering firm in Troy, have four daughters. The family enjoys traveling and camping, and Paul also enjoys gardening, reading, knitting, playing tennis and cooking.

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Photo by Rita Fischer

Dexter Township resident Nancy Paul came on board as director of Faith In Action in January, succeeding Dick Shaneyfelt who retired.

### CHELSEA

## Plant, book sale set May 15

The Chelsea District Library will hold a book sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 15 at the McKune House on Main Street.

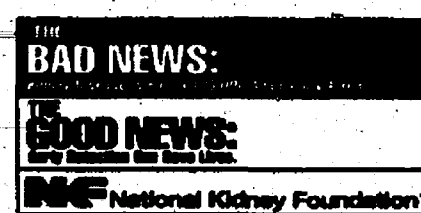
Organizer Sandra Shapiro said there will be plenty of books to choose from in a variety of genres.

The McKune House's Specials Room will feature newly acquired non-fiction and children's books.

There also will be a selection of titles related to seasonal activities to help plan summer activities, Shapiro said.

In addition, there is a new assortment of videos and CDs, as well as gardening books to complement plants that shoppers will find for sale by the Chelsea Area Garden Club on the McKune House lawn.

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# TIMBER TOWN

# CLEANUP

The Timber Town play area was built with community help in 1997.

The popular play area Timber Town was built in 1997 with much of the community helping out. Seeing a need to repair and maintain Timber Town, Chelsea Rotary Club President Jeff Gervais organized a cleanup. Members of the club and other volunteers pitched in to spruce up the play ground April 24.

Legacy members Dave Killips, Pat Conlin, Scott McElrath, Fred Van Reesema, Gigi Bataakis, Allen Cole, Don Longpre and Alex Weddon were joined by City Manager Mike Steklac in the effort, and the club's Chelsea High School counterpart — the Interact Club — had Alice Gauvin and others sanding, cleaning, painting and installing mural artwork created by Chelsea High School art students.

Food and soft drinks rounded out the fun-filled Saturday.

Chelsea High School student Alice Gauvin, a member of the Interact club, gives a cheerful wave as she works.



Allen Cole and Don Longpre hoist up a new swing while German exchange student Paula Mueller, who is staying with the Longpre family, looks on.



Don Longpre, Scott McElrath and Fred Van Reesema put their backs into their work while cleaning up Timber Town, located on Sibley Road near the industrial park.



Chelsea School District Superintendent Dave Killips puts some sweat equity into a rooftop.



Scott McElrath became a surprise canvas when Dave Killips slipped and accidentally dropped a can of red stain while working on the tallest of the roofs at Timber Town.



Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac uses a sander on one of the railings at the playground.

Photos courtesy of Weddon



Pat Conlin and Dave Killips work on one of the roofs at Timber Town as members of the Rotary Club pitch in to clean up the popular playground.



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## Steamrolled!

### No. 1-ranked Chelsea softball continues dominance on field

Bulldogs score 78 runs in seven games last week

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

Please excuse Ypsilanti Lincoln if it looks a little woozy this week. Give it time to shake out the cobwebs and steady itself.

The Railsplitters are the latest team to be steamrolled by the juggernaut better known as the Chelsea softball team.

Last Monday, the Bulldogs (15-0-1) swept Lincoln in a doubleheader 11-0, 10-0. Both games ended after five innings because of the mercy rule.

The Railsplitters shouldn't feel too bad, however. Chelsea, ranked No. 1 in Division II, is a two-time defending state champion, and has been playing some of its best softball as of late.

Last week, in seven games, the Bulldogs outscored their foes by a combined total of 78-3.

Steamrolled.

Though the competition might not have been the keenest, some teams don't score 78 runs in a season.

"We've really been coming through with the bat," said Chelsea coach Kim Reichard. "Connelly has been pitching well."

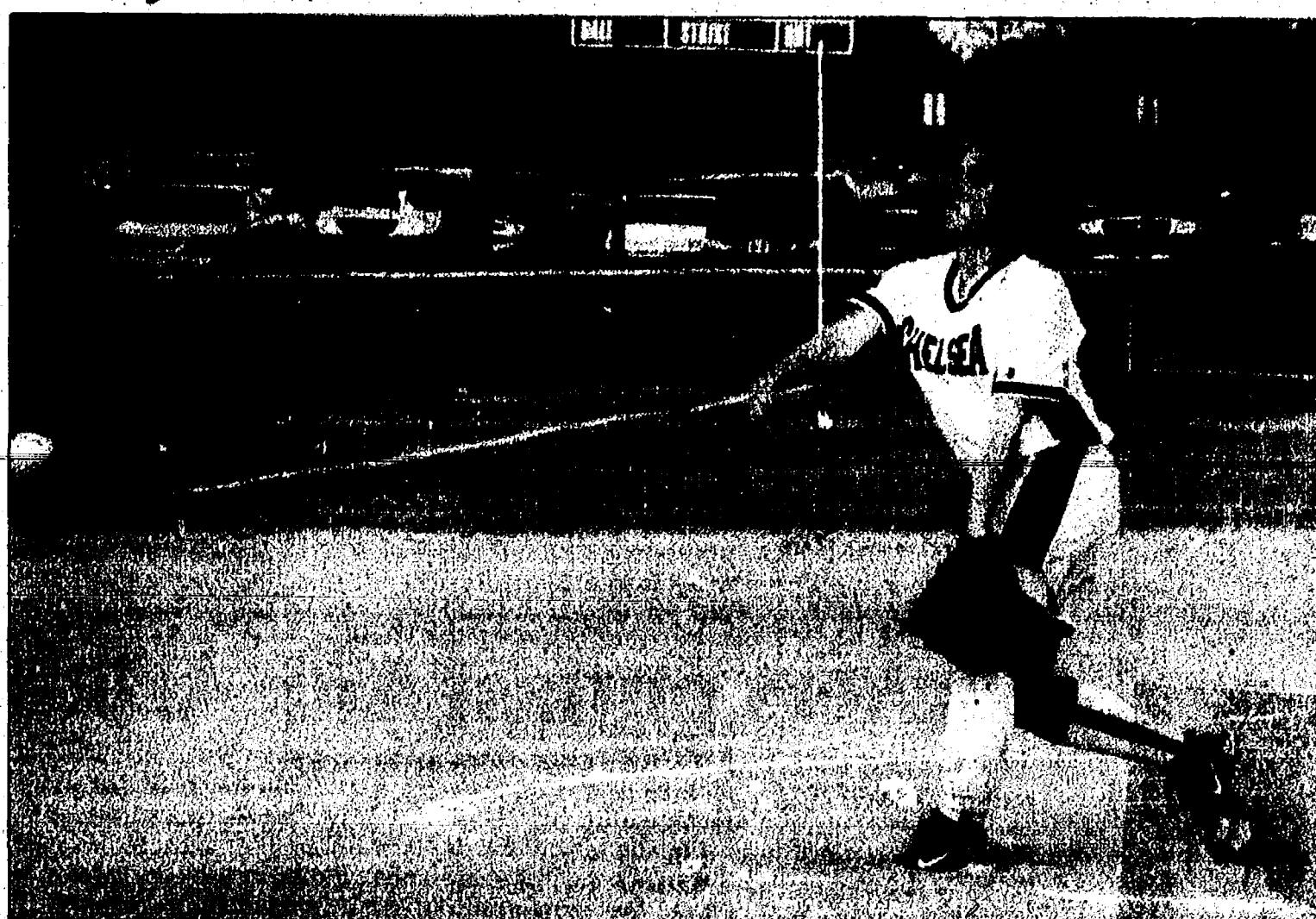
Jenna Connelly, the Bulldogs' senior All-State pitcher has been virtually



Missy Morcom



Brynna Darwin



Chelsea sophomore Kelly Jo Milliken was the winning pitcher in the Bulldogs' 10-0 second game victory over Ypsilanti Lincoln last Monday. Chelsea swept the doubleheader against the Railsplitters.

Photo by  
Mary Kumbler

unhittable this past week.

In the opener against Lincoln, Connelly picked up the victory from the circle, facing 16 batters and striking out 14. She allowed one hit.

Host Chelsea scored five runs in the first inning, five in the third inning and one run in the fourth inning.

Sophomore Kelly Jo Milliken paced the Bulldog attack, finishing 3-for-3 at the plate.

Senior Katrina Moffett had two hits, including a double, while teammate junior Annie Guertin also had two

hits. Senior Missy Morcom added a triple for Chelsea.

In the second game, Milliken was sharp from the circle, yielding one hit, fanning nine and walking three to record the win.

The Bulldogs scored five runs in the fifth inning to ice the victory.

Morcom led off the stanza with a triple for Chelsea. Getting RBI singles in the inning for the Bulldogs were senior Katie Herman and Becky Sprague. Juniors Christyna Toon and Brynna

Darwin and Guertin.

The Bulldogs finished with 10 hits total.

Chelsea vs. Huron  
Last Friday, Chelsea swept host Ann Arbor Huron, prevailing 6-0, 11-2.

In the first game, Connelly picked up the win, surrendering two hits, fanning 12 and walking zero.

"We came out flat, leading 1-0 until the seventh inning," Reichard said.

In the seventh inning, with two outs, the Bulldogs scored five runs.

"We've been doing that a lot this season," Reichard said. "That's not unusual for us."

Moffett, a University of Akron signee, was the offensive standout, collecting three hits, including two doubles and three RBIs.

Junior Mary Kate Setta had one hit, while Herman added one hit and one RBI for Chelsea.

In the nightcap, Milliken recorded the "W" from the circle, giving up five hits, striking out six and walking

one. The Bulldogs scored four runs in the first inning and five in the sixth inning, taking control of the contest.

Alise Augustine finished 3-for-4, with three RBIs, while Morcom was 3-for-4, with a triple. Sprague added one hit and one RBI.

Chelsea vs. Dexter

Last Thursday, Chelsea beat county and Southeastern Conference White Division rival Dexter 22-0, 12-1 in a doubleheader.

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## Bulldog baseball sweeps Lincoln

Kendzicky sharp on mound in shutout win over Railsplitters

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

Chelsea baseball swept a doubleheader against Southeastern Conference White Division foe Ypsilanti Lincoln, winning 6-0, 15-5 last Monday.

In the opener, Bulldog pitcher Kyle Kendzicky baffled the Railsplitter batters. The 6-foot-4 senior right-hander went the distance, allowing two hits, striking out 10 and walking two.

"He was very sharp," said Chelsea coach Wayne Welton. "He was darn near perfect."

For the game, Kendzicky (3-1) threw only 81 pitches.

Chelsea (6-6-1) scored two runs in the fourth inning, fifth inning and sixth inning for the final margin.

Seniors David Bell, Matt Eckler and Jeff Elliott each collected two hits for the host Bulldogs.

Elliott broke the contest open in the fourth inning, with a two-run RBI single.

In the nightcap, the Bulldogs beat Lincoln in a five-inning mercy-rule game.

Sophomore pitcher Joe Welton scattered three hits, fanned three and allowed one earned run to record the victory.

Kendzicky led the hit parade, going 3-for-3 from the plate.

Bell, Eckler and Elliott each finished with two hits for Chelsea. Eckler had two doubles.

In the bottom of the fifth inning, sophomore Robbie Moffett cranked a bases-loaded double, bringing home three runs for the game's final tally.

Chelsea vs. Dexter

Last Thursday, Chelsea lost



Photos by Mary Kumbler

Chelsea senior pitcher Matt Eckler started the second game against county rival Dexter last week. The contest was suspended because of darkness, with the Bulldogs leading 8-3.

to county rival Dexter 6-2 in the first game of a scheduled doubleheader.

The Bulldogs led 8-3 in the second contest before play was suspended after four innings.

"We'll finish the game only if it has an impact on the league standings," Welton said.

In the opener, the host Dreadnaughts won, despite getting only four hits. Of Dexter's 18 outs, 16 came by strikeout.

"It was a unique game," said Welton, who is in his 26th season. "We caught a foul pop to the catcher and threw a guy out trying to steal third for their other two outs. I can't recall any other game like that. I guess when you think you've seen it all, you really haven't."

Hurting the Bulldogs was walks. Chelsea pitchers



Bulldog senior David Bell had two hits in Chelsea's 6-0 opening game victory over Ypsilanti Lincoln during last Monday's doubleheader.

allowed 11 walks in six innings. The Bulldog pitchers also hit two Dexter batters.

Kendzicky started the

game for Chelsea, lasting four innings, striking out 10.

"He wasn't really wild," Welton said. "He was around

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## Chelsea linksters top Ann Arbor Pioneer 194-196

Bulldogs defeat Pioneers on home course

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' golf team defeated Division I No. 4-ranked Ann Arbor Pioneer 194-196 April 28.

"This is an extremely exciting win for us," said Chelsea coach Andrea Bareis. "After not playing up to expectations against Saline at our home course, we wanted to prove that we matched up well against the (Southeastern Conference) Red Division. "We played a tough course, a tough team, and we never lost our focus throughout the match. I'm extremely proud of the girls."

The match was played on the Pioneers' home course at the University of Michigan.

Leading Division II No. 9-ranked Chelsea was Blythe Crane, with a 43. The senior finished with four pars, three bogies and two double-bogies.

Courtney Aili finished with a 46, while Blair Lane had a 50 and Emily Hardcastle a 55 to round out the Bulldogs' scoring.

A freshman, Hardcastle's 55 was a career best. She parred the 246-yard par 4, second hole.

Despite not counting in the score sheet, Chelsea senior, first-year golfer Lindsay Parker performed well. She shot her best round as a varsity player,

ending up with an impressive 57 on U of M's difficult course. Parker will attend Michigan in the fall, studying engineering.

For Ann Arbor, Maggie Kempner ended up with a 44, while Ashley Mantha had a 48, Elise Swartout a 50 and Amanda Allushuski a 54.

Chelsea vs. Tecumseh

On April 28, Chelsea finished second in the SEC quad at Tecumseh's Raisin Valley Golf Club.

Division II No. 1-ranked Dexter placed first with a score of 170.

The Bulldogs ended up with a season-low 186, followed by Ypsilanti Lincoln with a 199 and the host Indians with a 230.

Medalist for the event was Lincoln's Cathy Chang, who shot a 38.

Crane and Aili led Chelsea, each shooting a 41. For Aili, the 41 was a career best. Lane carded a 49, while Hardcastle had a personal best 55 for the Dawgs.

Lane gave a strong effort, especially on the course's opening hole. She birdied, the par 5, 500-yard first hole.

Hardcastle ended her round with a par on the 275-yard par 4, ninth hole.

"I was very pleased with the way we performed at our first quad match of the year," Bareis said.

"Everyone knew they had to golf well, and they did. I was especially pleased with freshman Emily Hardcastle's game. She has really stepped up to the demands of varsity golf."

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# Chelsea soccer falls to traditional power Pioneer

**Ann Arbor out shoots Bulldogs 17-3 in contest last Thursday**

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

Ann Arbor Pioneer defeated Chelsea (2-5-1, 1-2) 3-0 in girls' soccer last Thursday.

"We did a great job frustrating them early," said Chelsea coach Chris Orlandi. "We chose to go into the wind first to see if we could hold them off. We had to chase them around a lot because they are a precision passing unit, and because they have great team speed."

At the half, the traditionally strong Pioneers led 1-0. Ann Arbor scored on a penalty kick at the 26-minute mark.

"For us to defend Pioneer as well as we did was a great confidence lift," Orlandi said. "The only way they could score on us early was by penalty kick. Going into the wind during that half made the effort all the more impressive."

In the second half, the visiting Pioneers increased their lead to 2-0, scoring 37

seconds into the stanza. "That took the wind out of our sails a bit," Orlandi said. "We lost some of our intensity from that point."

Ten minutes later, Ann Arbor scored for the final 3-0 margin.

"Both second half goals were off of long crosses and nice finishes by Pioneer players in the box," Orlandi said. "Overall, this was a tremendous learning experience, and I'm very pleased with our effort."

Pioneer out shot Chelsea 17-3 for the game.

Bulldog freshman keeper Maggie Manville finished with 14 saves.

"Maggie had one of the best saves I've ever seen in the second half," Orlandi said. "Pioneer got another penalty kick and Maggie dove to her left to get her hands on it (ball). The rebound ended up in front of the goal for another Pioneer attacker to take a shot."

"Manville bounced back onto her feet, and showed amazing reflexes to guide the second shot harmlessly over the goal. That was special."

On April 27, Chelsea shut out Ypsilanti Lincoln 2-0.

"We dominated play in

both halves and the score could have been much worse," Orlandi said. "Offensive frustrations continued early as we earned and, subsequently, missed a couple of breakaway opportunities."

At the 13th minute, however, Bulldog senior Ashley Gadbury scored off an assist from Stacia Morrison to give Chelsea a 1-0 advantage.

The goal broke a 255-minute scoreless streak for the visiting Bulldogs.

"We had worked the ball deep into the corner, played it back to Morrison, and I think they just forgot about defending Gadbury," Orlandi said.

At the break, Chelsea continued to hold a 1-0 lead.

At the 69-minute mark of the second half, the Bulldogs iced the game as Jaime Franks scored off an assist from Rachel Dotson.

"She (Franks) beat a defender to the left corner of the box and sent a left-footed shot to the back post," Orlandi said.

Orlandi said his squad played tough defensively.

"Sharon Dault continues to play very well at sweeper, and Maggie Manville did a fine job in net," he said.



Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson

Chelsea senior Ashley Gadbury and the rest of her Bulldog teammates fell to perennial area power Ann Arbor Pioneer 3-0 last Thursday.

Manville ended up with four saves.

Chelsea out shot Lincoln 8-4 for the contest.

The Bulldogs next travel to Temperance Bedford for a game 5:30 p.m. today.

Tomorrow, Chelsea visits Division IV No. 2-ranked Ann Arbor Greenhills for a contest at 6 p.m.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs square off against county rival host Dexter at 5:30 p.m.

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## Bulldog JV kickers outlast Ann Arbor

Chelsea's JV girls' soccer team defeated Ann Arbor Pioneer 2-1 last Thursday.

The visiting Pioneers scored midway through the first half, taking a 1-0 lead.

With 30 seconds remaining in the opening period, Bulldog Kellyn Pagliarini stole the ball from an Ann Arbor defender and scored to tie the game at 1-1.

"We made a few adjustments at half, and really put pressure on them at times," said Chelsea coach Chad Scaling. "We finally got through 20 minutes into the second half."

Chelsea's Tiffany Goetz scored the game-winner for the Bulldogs (7-1).

"We defended well for the remainder of the game, and held on for the win," Scaling said. "It was a great team effort. Every single girl play-

ed hard for the entire game. It was a great team victory."

For the season, Chelsea has scored 33 goals, while allowing five.

The Bulldogs' lone loss came against Saline 2-1 April 20.

"We were leading 1-0 at the half," Scaling said. "We had a few mental breakdowns, and they were able to get two (goals) in the second half, and hold on for the win."

"Since then, we have won four straight. The girls can't wait to play them again. We know we gave that one away. We're looking forward to playing them on our home field (May 25)."

Defensively, Chelsea has been strong. Leading the stop corps has been Jen Carty, Erica Palmer and Jessica Lodewyk. Also playing well for the Bulldogs defensively

has been Jillian Drow, Leah Morrison and Lee McLaughlin.

Playing in goal for Chelsea during most of the season has been the combination of Ariel Schepers, Joy Wilke and Tiffany Goetz.

"Our goalie has been by committee," Scaling said.

Offensively, Sarah Reinhardt leads the Bulldogs, with 10 goals and five assists. Pagliarini has eight goals and three assists, while Wilke has two goals and three assists.

Shannon Olinyk has two goals and one assist, while Erin Cooley and Goetz each have two goals. Amanda McKenzie, Ayla DeTroyer and Paige Denison each have one goal, and one assist. Liz Gunden and Erica Palmer both have one goal.

Rachel Severin leads Chelsea with six assists on

the season.

Rounding out the playing rotation for the Bulldogs, and contributing on both ends of the field are Sarah Myers and Kianna Weber.

Chelsea next travels to Temperance Bedford for a game 4 p.m. today.

On Friday, the Bulldogs visit Ann Arbor Greenhills for a contest at 4:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, Chelsea travels to county rival Dexter for a game at 4 p.m.

## Youth soccer begins spring season

Chelsea youth soccer began its spring season two weeks ago.

In the girls' U-12 game, Chelsea lost to Fenton 3-1. Scoring the local club's lone goal was Rachel Cooper-rider.

The girls' U-13 team blanked the Downriver Michigan Patriots 4-0.

The U-14 girls' squad lost to BAYSA Gold 2-0.

The boys' U-9 squad beat the Ann Arbor Lions 1-0. Joey Olmsted scored Chelsea's goal. Nick Brodbeck and Zack Fosdick combined for the shutout in net.

Chelsea's U-9A boys' team defeated Van Buren 7-0. Scoring goals for the local club were Jessie Stebleton, Caleb Johnson, Craig Keyes, Adrian Schuh and Drew Simons. Schuh and Simons combined for the shutout.

The Chelsea Heat boys' U-10 squad lost to the Ann Arbor Rockets 3-1. Cole Mauti scored the Heat's lone goal.

The boys' U-11 team beat Fenton 3-2. Patrick Roberts tallied two goals for Chelsea, including one with 60 seconds remaining in the game. Logan Yordanich scored the squad's other goal. Despite not scoring, Max Giller had a fine, all-around game for Chelsea.

Defensively, Kyle Hoeflinger, Spencer Mykala, August Pappas and Christopher McQuarrie played well for the U-11 team.

The boys' U-12 squad tied Livonia 1-1.

The boys' U-14 club beat the Downriver Devils 6-3. Recording the victory in net was Andy Gerace. Defensively, Keifer Forsch, Jonathon Mykala and Seth Brezee stood out. John Hillaker dominated the mid-field, with the help of teammates William Murdock and Mike Roberts. William Dark, Nate Vlcek and Josh Stiles created offensive pressure.

Scoring for the U-14 squad were Vlcek, Roberts and Murdock.

The Chelsea U-16 boys' team defeated Howell 6-0.

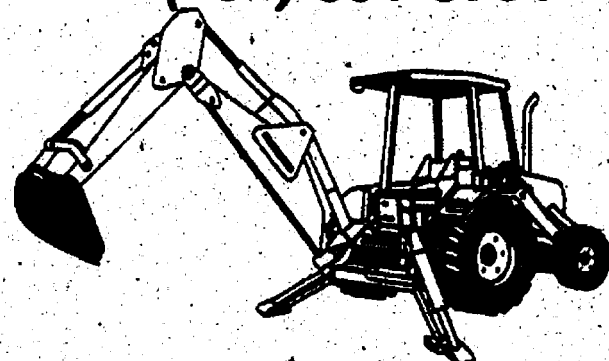
Scoring for the local club were Robbie Pagliarini, Redford 2-1.

Mike Sauers, Ed Cremer and Ian Girard.

Earning the shutout in net for Chelsea was Nikolai Voicechovski.

The U-19 team lost to Redford 2-1.

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# Happiness and joy

## Chelsea's Crane one of Bulldogs' all-time best golfers

Crane hopes to lead Chelsea linksters back to state match

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

Chelsea's Blythe Crane has an unusual first name.

"My parents found it in a baby name book, and fell in love with it," said Crane, a senior captain on this year's Bulldog girls' golf team. "It means happiness and joy."

"I've heard of other people named Blythe, but I've never met any other Blythes."

It's safe to say, not too many people have ever met a golfer as talented as Crane.

A four-year varsity performer, Crane holds Chelsea school records for a nine hole score, with a 37, and for an 18-hole mark, with a 74.

"There's a lot of golf left this season," said Chelsea coach Andrea Bareis. "I wouldn't be surprised to see her break both of those individual records this year."

In her last prep season, Crane has something to prove.

Last year, she was regional champion, shooting an impressive 74 at Raisin Valley Golf Club in Tecumseh. She helped lead Chelsea to the Division II state match, and in addition to striving for a team title, she hoped to make an impact in the individual finals.

The Bulldogs finished a best ever fifth in the state, but Crane missed out on the individual top 10, shooting a frustrating two-day total of 177.

"It was a disappointing second day at state last year," Crane said. "After the first day, I was three strokes behind the leader. I had a rough second day."

Crane said she let the weather affect her game, at the state match last season.

"This year, I need to keep the weather out of my mind, and just focus on my game," she said. "My goal is to definitely be in the top 10 at state. If I can put two days together, it'll happen."

Though Crane would like an individual top 10 finish, she is aiming for an even higher placing for the team this season. The Bulldogs are ranked No. 9 in Division II.

"It's a tremendous goal to overcome, but we're ready



Chelsea's Blythe Crane stands with her golf clubs, adorned with a stuffed animal bear. Crane will play golf next year for Brown University, whose mascot is a bear.

for it," she said about last year's fifth-place finish. "Dexter (ranked No. 1 in Division II) is definitely our biggest competitor. This year, we've already beaten (Ann Arbor) Pioneer (ranked No. 4 in Division D), so we're on track for a wonderful season."

Crane not only is having a wonderful season this year, but she's had a terrific career up to this point.

Bareis said Crane excels on the golf course because of her hard work and constant practice.

"She's continually evaluating her game for ways to improve," Bareis said. "She's not afraid to critique her performance. She understands the mechanics of a good golf swing, and she's a fierce-but-pleasant competitor. She has the ability to focus."

That battle to keep focus is one of the joys of the game for Crane.

"I like the mental challenge," she said. "A lot of sports you can just go up there and hit a ball. But in golf, you really have to focus. I like the athletic part, too. It takes a lot of skill and hard work. It's a challenge."

For someone so good at golf, it's ironic Crane almost never began playing.

"I started four years ago," Crane said. "My dad has always been a golfer, so he got me hooked when I was in the eighth grade."

"When I was small, I didn't like golf. I despised it when I was a little girl. But, when I got older and became capable of hitting it (ball) long, then I was hooked."

"My parents always tried getting me on the golf course. They had to bribe me to get out there. Now, I'm out here (on course) all the time."

Crane is so good at the game she once despised, that she's earned a scholarship to play at the collegiate level. Next year, she'll attend Brown University, and play

golf for the Bears.

"On my recruiting trip, I fell in love with the campus," said Crane, who has a 3.96 grade point average, and is third in a class of 255. "It's in Providence, R.I. It's a perfect match for my personality and my golf game. It's (Providence) fun. It's not too big. It's a perfect size for me."

Crane, who'll major in international relations, said leaving small town Chelsea for the big city doesn't faze her at all.

"As an only child, I'm ready to leave home," she said. "It'll be a good experience. It's not too far away."

Bareis said Crane is an excellent role model for the rest of the Bulldog team.

"She has terrific leadership abilities," Bareis said. "She sets a high standard for golf performance, and is extremely helpful to the young members of the golf team."

"She's fun to be around, extremely responsible and has an unparalleled work ethic."

She also has an uncommon name, two school records and a scholarship to Brown University.

Happiness and joy. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 475-1371 or at drichter@heritage.com.



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Bulldog senior Blythe Crane finished out of the top 10 at last year's state final. This season, she hopes to lead Chelsea back to the Division II state match.

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# Distances pace Chelsea track over Tecumseh

**Bulldogs rally from early deficit to defeat Indians**

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' track and field team defeated Tecumseh 75-62 April 27.

The visiting Bulldogs won all but one place in races from the 400-meter run up, scoring 35 of a possible 36 points.

"We needed a lot of character and heart to win this meet," said Chelsea coach Bill Bainton. "Alice Gauvin, Ashley Houle and Kim Gasieski, three of our seniors, and junior Shannon Kinner, showed a lot of leadership by taking on very difficult loads and running excellent races for the team."

"Sophomores Emily Woodruff and Katie Grabarkiewicz also made major contributions. But it was truly a team effort. Our athletes knew what they had to do, and got the job done. It was a very well-earned win."

Tecumseh captured 4-of-5 field events, including a sweep of the long jump, taking an early 28-17 lead.

Chelsea, however, fought back, dominating the distances and relays to rally for the victory.

Woodruff paced the Bulldogs, winning three events and placing second in a fourth.

In the 200 meters, Woodruff bested the field with a time of 28.0. The race was her first of the season in the event. In the 400-meter run, she crossed the line first in 1:04.2. She placed second in the 100 meters.

Gasieski was third in the 400-meter run in 1:06.1.

In the 1,600-meter relay, Woodruff teamed with Laura Oberholtzer, Kinner and Gasieski to win in 4:24.1.

Kinner finished first in the 800-meter run with a clocking of 2:45.4, and ended up second in the 400-meter run in 1:05.8.

Also in the 800-meter run, Grabarkiewicz was second, while teammate Anna Drow placed third.

Grabarkiewicz bested the field in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 6:22.1, while Gauvin was second in 6:22.2 and Houle third in 6:22.7.

Johanna Jackson broke the tape first in the 3,200-meter run in 13:23 for Chelsea. Gauvin finished second with



**Bulldog Hillary Phillips concentrates as she rounds the corner during last week's meet against Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh.**

a clocking of 13:29.5, while Houle was fourth in a season best 13:50.9.

In field events, Ashli Welshans placed first in discus with a toss of 98-feet, 3 inches. In the shot put, she ended up third with a mark of 27-0.

Kelly Anderson finished second in the shot put with a throw of 27-3, while she was third in discus with an 81-8.

In pole vault, Megan Korr placed second, clearing 8-0. Chelsea Verardi ended up second in the high jump for the Bulldogs with a season

best mark of 4-6. Emily Bradburn finished third with a 4-0.

Marissa Guysky placed second in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 18.9, while in the 300-meter hurdles she finished third in 57.7. Teammate Ali York ended up third in the 100-meter hurdles with a clocking of 19.7.

Chelsea next hosts Southeastern Conference White Division favorite Ypsilanti Lincoln 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

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**Chelsea's Anna Drow races neck-and-neck against Tecumseh last week in the Bulldogs' 75-62 dual meet victory.**

## Bulldog tracksters double up on Indians

**Chelsea wins four of five field events in victory over Tecumseh**

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' track and field team defeated host Tecumseh 94-43 April 27.

In field events, the Bulldogs captured four of five events.

In the shot put, senior Joel Powers finished first with a heave of 47-feet. Teammate junior P.J. Sawicki ended up third with a throw of 38-7.

In discus, Sawicki placed first with a toss of 117-5, while sophomore Austin Rodgers was third with a 104-9.

Senior Andy Hurst finished first in the long jump with a mark of 18-3, while teammate junior Terry Arnold was third with a 17-8.

In the high jump, senior George Royce bested the field, clearing 5-10, while sophomore Ian Girard was second with a 5-8.

In hurdles, senior Ian Galvin broke the tape first in the 110-meter event with a clocking of 15.8. Teammate junior Max Wineland ended up third in 17.9.

In the 300-meter hurdles, Galvin placed second in 42.6, while Wineland was third in 45.5.

In sprints, junior Justin Esch paced Chelsea, crossing the line second in the 100 meters with a time of 11.3. Senior Adam Ellis was third for the Bulldogs in 11.6.

Esch finished first in the 200 meters with a clocking of 23.4.

Chelsea senior Hugh White blazed to a first-place finish in the 400-meter run, stopping the clock in 52.1. Teammate senior Trevor Bach was second in 52.7, while Hurst was third in 55.1.

Senior Tony Reifel placed first for the Bulldogs in a sweep of the 800-meter run with a time of 2:06. Fellow classmate Cage Cowan was second in 2:09, while Bach was third in 2:10.

In the 1,600-meter run, sophomore Ian Girard finished first for Chelsea with a clocking of 4:50. Junior Dan Lewis ended up second in 4:53, while Cowan was third in 4:54.

Lewis bested the field in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:33, while Wineland was third in 11:24.

The Bulldog foursome of White, Bach, Arnold and

Hurst placed first in the 1,600-meter relay, stopping the clock in 3:40.4.

In the 3,200-meter relay, the Chelsea group of junior Chris Moyle, sophomore

Drew Hamilton, freshman Chet Hopp and Reifel finished first in 10:10.

The Bulldogs next host Ypsilanti Lincoln at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

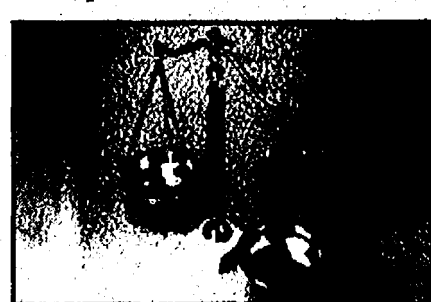
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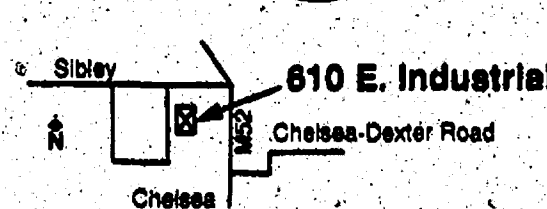
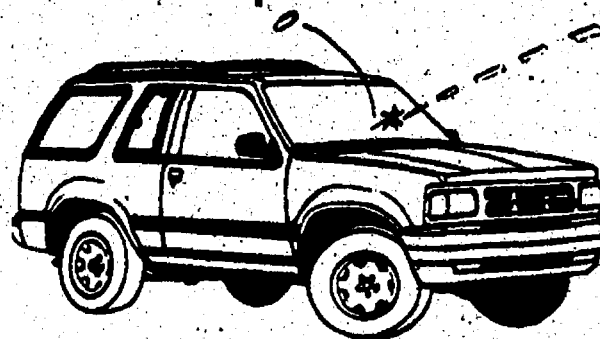
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## SOFTBALL

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In the three-inning mercy-rule opener, Connelly chalked up the victory, striking out all nine batters she faced.

Darwin led with the stick, going 3-for-4, with a double and three RBIs. Morcom had two hits, including a double, while Augustine had two singles for the visiting Bulldogs.

In Game 2, Milliken earned the victory, allowing one hit, striking out 12 and walking two.

Darwin, again, was hot from the plate, collecting three hits, including a double and two RBIs. Chelsea vs. Salem

On April 27, host Chelsea blanked Plymouth Salem 6-0. Connelly picked up the win, yielding three hits, fanning 14 and walking two.

Moffett had three hits, including a double and a triple, while Connelly had a RBI double.

The Bulldogs scored four runs in the fifth inning to secure their victory.

"Salem was tough, especially defensively," Reichard said. "Both teams made just one error. We hit the ball well, and got the key hits."

Though Chelsea has steamrolled its recent opponents, things will get much tougher for the Dawgs this weekend.

After traveling to Saline today for a game at 4 p.m., Chelsea will travel west for the weekend.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs will visit St. Joseph to participate in its invitational.

"We're going to have to adjust our hitting," Reichard

said. "We're going to face tough competition (at St. Joseph)."

In addition to the traditionally strong host Bears, Chelsea will square off against Division II No. 9-ranked Stevensville-Lakeshore, and Division II No. 10-ranked Coloma, at the four-team invite.

"We want to get our heads out of the sky," Reichard said. "Lakeshore has always been a good test. Both teams (St. Joseph and Lakeshore) have great pitching. And Coloma is also a very good team."

Reichard said she thinks her team will come to play Saturday.

"We will rise to the occasion," she said.

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## Frosh soccer tops Brighton

Chelsea's freshman girls' soccer team defeated Brighton 2-1 last Friday.

"Brighton is one of the top soccer programs in the state," said Chelsea coach Jim Hicks. "We expected the toughest game of the season to date, and we got it."

The host Bulldogs (4-0-1) came out strong, scoring two first half goals, taking a 2-0 lead into the break.

"We were pretty excited to shut out Brighton in the first half," Hicks said.

Scoring for Chelsea in the first half was Liz Gunden at the four-minute mark. She intercepted an attempted clearing pass, blasting a shot past the Brighton net minder from 14 yards out.

At the 23-minute mark, Ayla DeTroyer scored from 12 yards away off an assist from Paige Denison.

The Bulldogs out shot Brighton 6-3 in the first half.

In the second half, Brighton roared back, scoring two minutes into the period.

"The quick goal by Brighton was the wake up we needed to shut them down the rest of the second half," Hicks said. "The team played a great possession soccer game."

Bridget Lynn recorded the victory for Chelsea in goal, making seven saves.

For the day, the Bulldogs and Brighton both finished with 8 shots on net.

With its impressive victory over Brighton, Hicks said his

team is playing well.

"Now, this team has me convinced they are for real," he said.

Chelsea vs. Lincoln

On April 26, Chelsea defeated visiting Ypsilanti Lincoln 5-1.

"This is a much improved Lincoln team that always challenged for the ball, and kept the pressure on us," Hicks said. "It just made these (Chelsea) girls play harder. Our midfield controlled this game."

The Bulldogs opened up a 4-1 first-half advantage.

Two minutes into the contest, Leah Morrison scored off her own rebound for Chelsea.

Two minutes later, Morrison scored again, this time from eight yards out. Assisting on the play for the Bulldogs was DeTroyer and Wilke.

One minute after Morri-

son's second goal, Wilke scored from six yards out, increasing Chelsea's lead to 3-0.

At the 15-minute mark, Wilke notched her second goal, scoring, again, from six yards away.

The Rallsplitters scored their lone goal at the 19-minute mark.

At the break, the Bulldogs led 4-1.

Two minutes into the second half, DeTroyer scored on a breakaway for the day's final margin.

Lynn was strong in goal for Chelsea, finishing with six saves.

The Bulldogs out shot Lincoln 21-7.

Chelsea next hosts Walled Lake Northern 4:30 p.m. tomorrow.

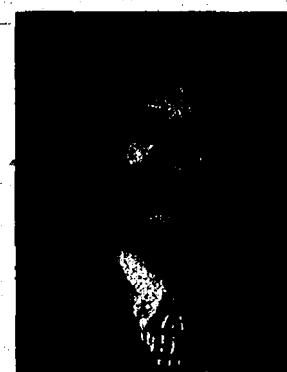
On Wednesday, the Bulldogs travel to Ypsilanti Lincoln for a game at 4:30 p.m.

## Ferris State Bound



Photo-courtesy of Alice Rawson  
Chelsea's Lindsay Tye (front) recently signed a letter of intent to play volleyball at Ferris State University. Watching her sign are, back row, Chelsea Athletics Director Wayne Welton (left), dad Daniel Tye and Chelsea volleyball coach Laura Cleveland.

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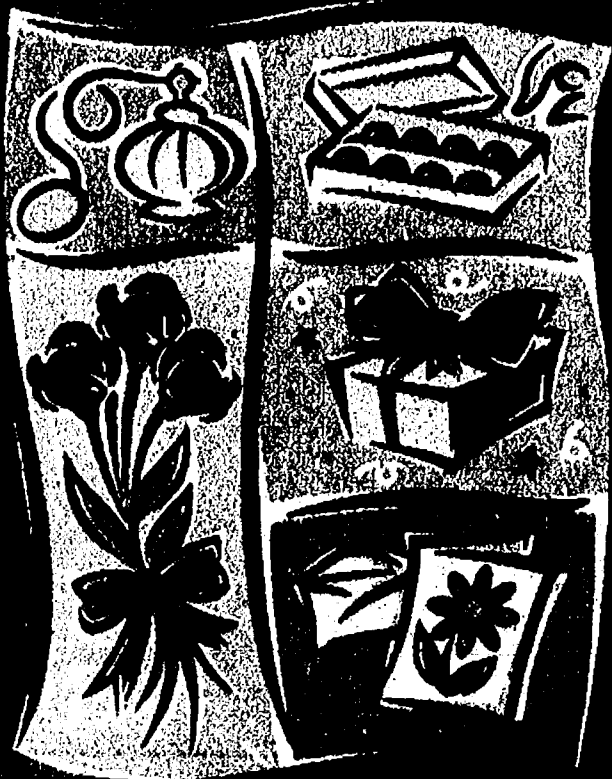
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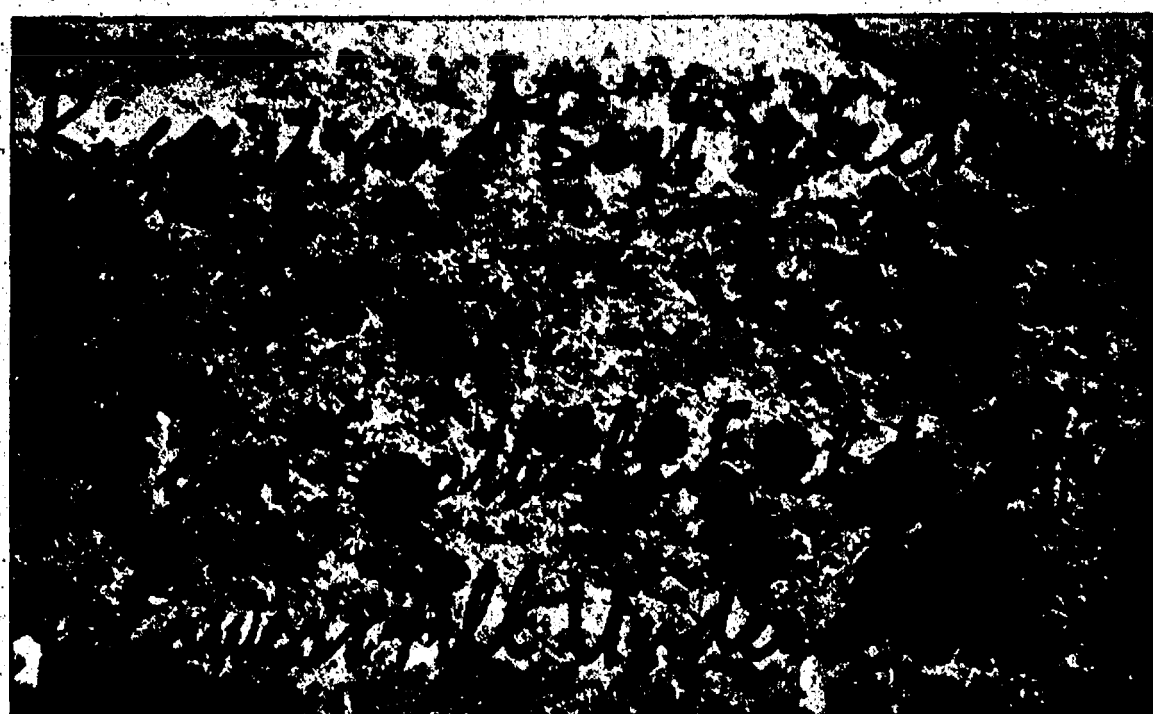
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# Bulldog netters face state-ranked Marshall

Chelsea netters win two doubles flights in match against Vikings

By Don Richter  
Sports Editor

Chelsea lost to Marshall 5-3 in boys' tennis last Friday.

The visiting Bulldogs won 1-of-4 singles matches, and 2-of-4 doubles flights against the Division III No. 8-ranked Vikings.

In singles, Chelsea's Trevor Bach defeated Tyler Sauerbrey 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 at the No. 1 flight.

At No. 2 singles, Bulldog Kevin Cohen lost to Robert Bess 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 3 singles, Brian Kinaschuk fell to Marshall's Kevin Schook 6-1, 6-2, while Reese Hammer lost to Viking Keegan Dillon 6-4, 7-5 at No. 4 singles.

At No. 1 doubles, Chelsea's Matt Neff and Pieter Boshoven beat Marshall's Brendon O'Connell and Jacob Simmons 6-0, 6-4.

At No. 2 doubles, Bulldogs Stefan Kalmbach and Nate Chamberlin lost to Seth Berger and Bryan Berger 6-1, 6-2.

Chelsea's Casey Peters and Dolan Personke defeated Casey Eash and

Paul Baronowski in a three-set marathon 7-5, 2-6, 7-6(7-5) at No. 3 doubles.

At No. 4 doubles, Bulldogs George Merkel and Mike Deis lost to Marshall's Michael Hughes and Paul Ousley 6-2, 0-6, 6-2.

**Chelsea vs. Saline.**

Last Thursday, the host Bulldogs lost to Saline 6-2.

Bach defeated Drew Smith at No. 1 singles 3-6, 6-2, 7-5.

At No. 2 singles, Cohen lost to Saline's Nolan Rheam 6-1, 6-0.

Hornet Zach Geiger 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3 singles, swept Kinaschuk, while Hammer lost to Dan Moss 6-4, 6-1 at No. 4 singles.

In doubles play, Neff and Boshoven lost to Saline's Matt Brehmer and Kevin Dilks 5-7, 6-4, 1-5 at the No. 1 flight.

At No. 2 doubles, Kalmbach and Chamberlin lost 6-4, 7-6(7-3), while Dolan Personke and Peters fell to Horfets Ryan Driskell and Marc Wooliscroft 6-1, 6-3 at No. 3 doubles.

Deis and Merkel beat Alan Barnes and Adam Nicola-Jott 6-3, 4-6, 6-2 at No. 4 doubles.

**Chelsea vs. Riverview**

On April 26, Chelsea bested

Riverview 5-3.

At No. 1 singles, Bach continued his fine play, defeating the Pirates' Angelo Karaboyas 7-5, 6-3.

Cohen lost to Marcus Voelz 6-3, 6-2 at No. 2 singles, while Kinaschuk fell to Kevin Moreth 6-1, 6-1 at No. 3 singles.

At No. 4 singles, Hammer prevailed over Riverview's Jeff Szwed 7-6(7-4), 6-1.

In doubles play, the Bulldogs won 3-of-4 flights.

Boshoven and Neff beat the Pirate duo of Brian Bortner and Larry Gibson in a three-set battle 5-7, 6-3, 6-2 at No. 1 doubles.

"(They) played very well in a three-set match," said Chelsea coach Rahn Rosentreter. "They lost the first set, but came back strong to win."

At No. 2 doubles, Kalmbach and Chamberlin beat Austin Laramie and James Hondek in straight sets 6-2, 6-2.

At No. 3 doubles, Peters and Merkel lost 6-4, 6-1 to Riverview's Brian Frohnhof and Justin Colley 6-4, 6-1.

Deis and Personke came up big at No. 4 doubles, winning 6-4, 6-1 over Nick Ray and Nate Eystovl.

Chelsea next hosts Temperance Bedford 4 p.m. today.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs host county rival Dexter at 4 p.m.

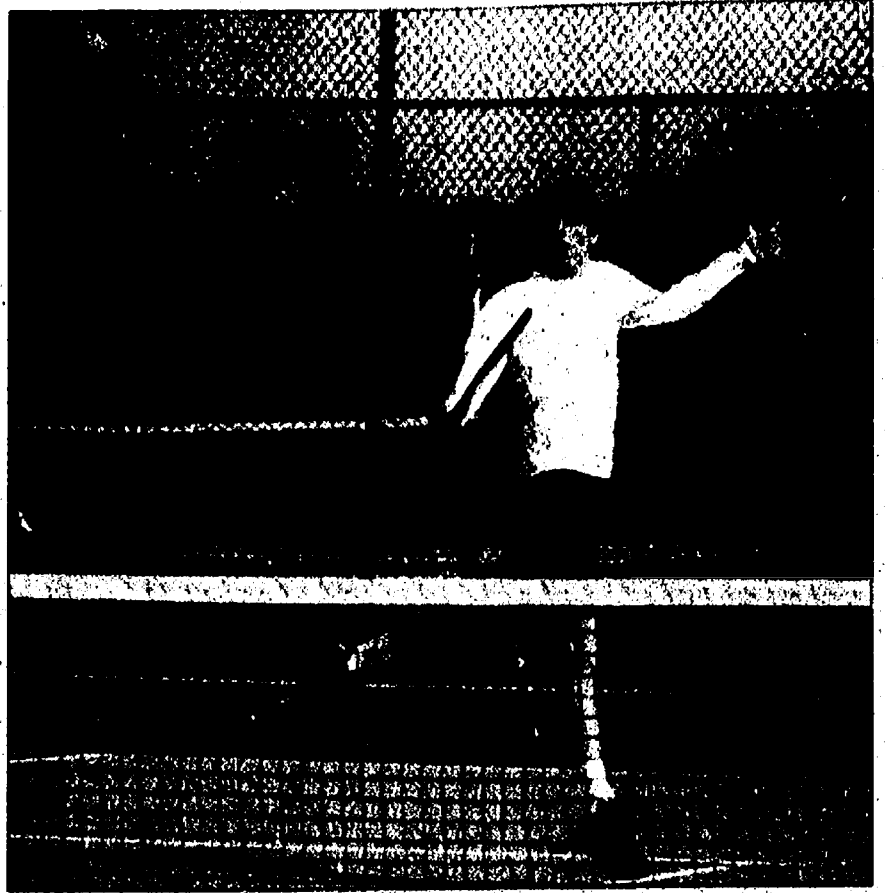


Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson  
Chelsea senior Trevor Bach defeated Marshall's Tyler Sauerbrey 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 at No. 1 singles during last week's match against the state-ranked Vikings.

## Beach girls' track remains unbeaten

Chelsea's Beach Middle School girls' track and field team defeated Tecumseh 92-43 April 28.

Placing first for the visiting Bulldogs (2-0) was Ellen Stewart in the pole vault, tying her own school record of 7-feet, 6 inches.

Katy Martin was a double-winner, besting the field in the high jump and the 800-meter run.

Finishing first in the 55-meter hurdles was Codie Barron, while teammate Jillian Fischer was first in the shot put, Erin Benjamin in the 100 meters and Cassie Coffman in the 400-meter run.

In the 3,200-meter relay, the Beach foursome of Annie Hollandsworth, Phoebe Conybeare, Katie Martin and

Sara Myers broke the tape first, while the 800-meter relay team of Stevie Gregory, Leah Cooperrider, Grace Biller and Stewart also finished first.

Baillie Simpson, Robin Olinyk, Barron and Benjamin placed first in the 400-meter relay for the Bulldogs.

Christie VanGermet ended up second for Beach in the shot put, while Myers was second in the high jump and 800-meter run and Coffman second in the long jump.

Ashley Clouse crossed the line second in the 100 meters, while Gregory was second in the 70 meters and 200 meters, as was Hollandsworth in the 1,600-meter run for the Bulldogs.

Emily Rabbitt placed sec-

## SWEEP

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ond in the 400-meter run, while teammate Katie Lindauer was second in the 3,200-meter run, as was Barron in the 200-meter hurdles.

Jenny Squires in the high jump, Lauren Johnson in the long jump, Stephanie Everard in the 3,200-meter run, and Simpson in the 70 meters and 100 meters each finished third for Beach.

Also placing third for the Bulldogs were Jenna Jarvis in the 1,600-meter run, Brooke Eham in the 400-meter run, Jordan Shreves in the 3,200-meter run and Biller in the 200 meters.

Beach next travels to Jackson Northwest for a meet 4:15 p.m. tomorrow.

On Monday, the Bulldogs visit Temperance Bedford for a contest at 4 p.m.

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## Local gymnast third

Chelsea's Samantha Heydlauff finished third on floor (9.40) and 10th all-around (36.025) at the USA Gymnastics Level 9 Eastern National Championship April 24 and 25 in Virginia Beach, Va.

A member of Gym America, Heydlauff competed in the Level 9 Senior B Division at the national meet. Fifty-four gymnasts participated in Heydlauff's division.

Earlier in April, Heydlauff placed first in Region 5 Level 9 on bars (9.35). She also finished fourth all-around (36.375) and ninth on floor (9.15).

Region 5 is comprised of gymnasts from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky.

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## MULTI-LAKES SEWER AUTHORITY

Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority will hold their regular meeting on

**Wednesday, May 12, 2004, at 7:00 P.M.**

**12088 North Territorial Road, Dexter, MI 48130**

## SYLVAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE

DEADLINE TO FILE PARTISAN AND NON-PARTISAN NOMINATING TOWNSHIP PETITIONS ARE DUE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE ON:

MONDAY, MAY 10, 2004 BY 12 NOON

LUANN S. KOCH  
SYLVAN TOWNSHIP CLERK  
18027 OLD US 12  
CHELSEA, MI 48118  
734-475-8890

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY 9AM - 12 NOON

POSTED: April 26, 2004  
PUBLISHED: May 6, 2004

## LYNDON TOWNSHIP NOTICE BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA

LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEALS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON

Tuesday, May 18, 2004 at 7:00 P.M.

The Lyndon Township Hall  
17751 N. Territorial Road  
Chelsea, MI 48118

**AGENDA:**

To review the application of Charles and Joyce Spencer, 268 Ellsworth Lake Drive, Gregory, MI 48137 (Parcel # E-05-05-405-019, Lot #19) for a variance from the Lyndon Township Ordinance, Section 7.04, D, requiring 35 foot street side setback. Mr. and Mrs. Spencer have a 26 foot street side setback and would like to build a garage.

Written comments may be sent to: Helena M. Robinovitz, Office Manager, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.

The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids or services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Lyndon Township Board by writing or calling: Linda Reilly, Clerk, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118, or phone (734) 475-2401.

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

LYNDON TOWNSHIP  
Linda Reilly, Clerk

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## CITY OF CHELSEA VACANCY ON PLANNING COMMISSION

The City of Chelsea is accepting applications from persons willing to serve on the Planning Commission. Requirements include City residency as well as a commitment to attend one regular meeting as well as one work session per month. Send a brief resume no later than May 10th, 2004 to the City of Chelsea Planning & Zoning Department, Attention James Drolett, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

## VILLAGE OF DEXTER HELP WANTED

The Village of Dexter is seeking a full-time Assistant Village Manager. This position will assist in all aspects of the Village Manager duties. Beginning salary \$34,000 plus excellent benefit package. Responsibilities include general administrative duties, Employee Benefits Manager, FOIA Officer, and Record Management Coordinator. The successful candidate must have demonstrated problem solving and planning skills and experience performing in demanding circumstances. Bachelor's Degree in business, accounting or allied field preferred. Minimum three years experience in local government required. EOE

Submit letter of application and resume to the Village of Dexter, ATTN: Donna Eureka, 8140 Main Street, Dexter MI 48130-1092. Resumes subject to MI Freedom of Information Act; request confidential if desired. Application deadline, May 28, 2004.

## CITY OF CHELSEA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 7, 2004

Washington Street Education Center

Present: Mayor Feeney, Council members Myles, Bollinger, Albertson and Merkel

Absent: Council Members Hammer and Lindauer

Mayor Feeney called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Clint Williams informed Council of hardness of the water at his residence and submitted a copy of water analysis report.

1. Remove from table Heritage Pointe

Motion, Albertson; support, Bollinger; to remove Heritage Pointe from table. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Bollinger; support, Merkel; to separate the Development Agreement from the Master Deed. Three (3) Ayes, (Feeney, Merkel, Bollinger), two (2) nays, (Albertson, Myles). Motion carried.

Motion, Bollinger; support. Dies for lack of support.

Discussion ensued regarding Section 14 of the Master Deed.

Motion, Bollinger; support, Myles to approve the Heritage Pointe Development Agreement. Four (4) Ayes, one (1) Nay (Albertson). Motion Carried.

Motion, Myles; support, Bollinger to approve Master Deed for Heritage Pointe Development with changes to Section 14 (should read: 24 hour operation of the plant generates odor, noise and/or light that may be perceptible within portions of the Condominium). All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Myles; Support, Bollinger to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

NOTE: This is only a synopsis of the February 18, 2004 Special Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Clerk's Office at 305 S. Main St., Chelsea, MI.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Burch, City Clerk  
Approved: April 27, 2004 with corrections

## DEXTER TOWNSHIP ZBA BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA FOR MAY 11, 2004

Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet  
On Tuesday, May 11, 2004

7:30 p.m.

at the Township Hall

6880 Dexter Pinckney Rd.

Dexter, MI 48130

### AGENDA -

1)

04-01-108-019

04-ZBA-575

Robert Reed

9957 Algonquin - tabled until the June 2004 meeting

Applicant is requesting a boundary line adjustment, with his neighbor to the South. (Applicant) Mr. Reed presently owns 18,035 square feet of property. (Mr. Reed received a variance in June of 1992 to demolish his house and to rebuild.) Mr. Reed would like to sell 1313 S.F. of property to Mr. Paas. This would allow Mr. Paas more room to demolish his existing home and to rebuild a new house (at a later date) with greater side yard setbacks. Current setbacks are 2'3" with parcel number 04-01-108-017. The two houses are currently six feet apart. In order to do this applicant needs the following.

2)

04-11-100-013

03-ZBA-564B

James Roof

8611 Stinchfield Woods Road

Applicant requests relief from:

Section 18.23.A to allow a 14' setback on the front yard, rather than the required 50'; (currently 9' from existing barn to Stannette.)

Section 18.23.B to allow 40.5' from canal to the new sunroom.

To allow for the construction of a modular type home, with 24'x 28' garage and 28'x 16' sunroom.

3)

04-15-200-010

04-ZBA-578

Scott and Tina Fischer

6710 Dexter - Townhall

Applicant requests relief from:

Section 18.23.A to allow a 82' setback on the front yard, rather than the required 100'; (currently 54' from Dexter - Townhall to front porch.)

To allow for the construction of a 23' x 26' addition, as well as a 5' x 26' deck.

4)

04-13-300-015

04-ZBA-577

Lynn Bensinger

6970 Dexter - Pinckney Road

Applicant requests relief from:

Section 18.23.A to allow a 89' setback on the front yard, rather than the required 150'; (currently 89')

Section 19.03.A to allow an expansion to a property zoned C-1 but used as R/R.

To allow for the construction of a 12' x 28' storage shed, attached to side of existing barn. Shed has been given ZBA approval before. (Shed was started already with out a zoning permit.)

5)

04-18-433-002/008

04-ZBA-578

David Logan

13848 Bramble Brae

Applicant requests relief from:

Section 18.23.A to allow a 25.72' setback on the front yard, (from new garage to Overdon) rather than the required 50'; (currently 61')

To allow for the construction of the existing home, and the construction of a new one-story home with walkout basement, two car attached garage, and covered entry walkway.

6)

04-01-108-025/028

04-ZBA-579

Laura Jones

8530 Orchard Road

Applicant requests relief from:

Section 18.23.A to allow a 35.2' setback on the front yard, rather than the required 50'; (currently 35.2' from the existing dwelling.)

To allow for the construction of a second story addition, over the existing home.

## NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT

WASHTENAW AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MI

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 14, 2004.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004, IS MONDAY, MAY 17, 2004. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 17, 2004, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city, or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city, or township clerk must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerk's offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education

Beth A. Starkey  
Secretary, Board of Education

## CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF VARIANCE HEARING

An application has been filed by RICH STILES OF CHELSEA PLACE, for a variance from the requirements of Section 6.03 D of Ordinance No.79 (Zoning Ordinance), to ALLOW FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A MONUMENT SIGN WITHIN 25 FT. OF THE EDGE OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY. THE CURRENT SETBACK REQUIREMENT IS 40 FEET. The property is described as follows:

TAX CODE: # 06-06-13-150-003

1170 S. MAIN ST., CHELSEA, MI

Pursuant to the procedure for a variance request: a Notice of Hearing shall be given and will be served personally or by mail at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such hearing, upon the party or parties making the request for appeal, and all owners of record of property and occupants of property located within three-hundred (300) feet of such premises in question.

You are herein notified that a hearing will be held by the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, May 19, 2004 at 5:00 o'clock P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Chelsea City Offices, located in the Chelsea Bank Building, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100 (lower level conference room), to consider objections to said request.

The petition is on file in the office of the Planning and Zoning Department, 305 S. Main St., Suite 100, Chelsea and may be examined prior to the date of the hearing.

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

DONALD T. OSBORNE, CHAIRMAN

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

## VILLAGE OF DEXTER SPRING CLEAN UP

Special Spring Limited Refuse Clean-Up will take place on  
FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2004

Place items At the Curb Prior to 7:00 A.M. on Friday, May 14, 2004. Items must be in Containers, Bagged, Bundled or Boxed for Collection (when possible)

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- Appliances containing freon can be scheduled for pick-up for an additional charge of \$35.00 per appliance by calling 1-800-971-7460 the week prior to the clean-up
- Items not properly stacked into 4' lengths, bundled and or bagged.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL DEXTER D.P.W. AT 426-8530

• The Village DPW crews will collect stacked brush. Contracted refuse hauler will collect all other refuse, debris and yard waste.

## NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS COUNTIES OF WASHTENAW AND LIVINGSTON, MICHIGAN FOR THE REGULAR ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the regular election for Dexter Community Schools will be held in the School District on Monday, June 14, 2004.

Act 451, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, provides in part that the inspectors of election at an annual or special election shall not receive the vote of a person residing in a registration school district whose name is not registered as an elector in the city or township in which the person resides.

The last day for receiving registrations for the regular election will be Monday, May 17, 2004. Persons registering after the Clerk's office closes, on Monday, May 17, 2004, will not be eligible to vote at the regular election. Persons planning to register must determine when the Clerk's office will be open for registration.

Only persons who have registered as general electors with the appropriate Clerk of the city or township in which they reside, or through registration at a Secretary of State driver's license bureau are registered school electors.

The following persons have been nominated as candidates for the two four-year terms ending June 30, 2008:

Larry L. Cobler Michael J. Wendorf  
Daniel H. Jacobs Mark Jennings

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Dexter Community Schools, Counties of Washtenaw and Livingston, Michigan.

Mary Fradette  
Secretary, Board of Education  
Dexter Community Schools  
Counties of Washtenaw and Livingston, Michigan

## CITY OF CHELSEA SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, April 20, 2004

305 S. Main St. Lower Level Conference Room

Present: Mayor Pro-tem Lindauer, Council members Bollinger, Hammer, Albertson,

Absent: Council Members Myles, Feeney, and Merkel

Mayor Pro-tem Lindauer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion, Hammer; support, Albertson; to convene into closed session

to consider a written opinion of the City's attorney in the matter of Anderzack-Pitzen v. Village of Chelsea, said written opinion is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. Roll Call Vote. Four (4) Ayes, Zero (0) Nays, Three (3) Absent (Feeney, Myles, Merkel).

Motion Carried.

Mayor Ann Feeney arrived at 8:00 p.m.

Motion, Hammer; support, Albertson; to approve closing out Water Treatment Plant Utilities Contract 0731.070-W-2, DWRP No. 7084-01 entered into between the City of Chelsea, formerly the Village of Chelsea, and Anderzack-Pitzen Construction, Inc. ("APC"), to make final payment to APC in the amount of \$299,500 and to authorize the City Manager and legal counsel to prepare final documents for the payment in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the settlement memorandum dated April 14, 2004. Roll Call Vote. Five (5) Ayes, Zero (0) Nays, Two (2) Absent (Myles, Merkel). Motion Carried.

Motion, Bollinger; Support, Hammer to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

NOTE: This is only a synopsis of the February 18, 2004 Special Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Clerk's Office at 305 S. Main St., Chelsea, MI.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Burch, City Clerk

Approved: April 27, 2004

## SYLVAN & LIMA TOWNSHIPS RESIDENTS SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, May 15, 2004

7:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Jim Kaimbach's Residence located at 476 Pierce Rd  
1/8 mile north of old US12 and 194

### ITEMS TO BRING:

All appliances\* (be sure all food inside is removed)

Electric tools All kinds of metal

Vehicle batteries TVs

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Tin cans Glass bottles

#1 & #2 Plastic Newspaper, Magazines Cardboard

Water heaters

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DO NOT BRING:

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Yard waste Paints & varnishes

Stump barrels Dry cell or flashlight batteries

Household garbage Tanks of any kind

Funding for this program is provided through revenue sharing of solid waste funds. The funds distributed to Lima and Sylvan Townships are based on the Townships population outside the City of Chelsea. The collection will therefore be limited to Sylvan & Lima Township residents only.

\*Due to limited funds and the cost to remove freon from appliances containing freon it is necessary to limit the number of freon appliances to 3 per household. Additional freon appliances will be accepted for a charge of \$10.00 each.

Propane tanks without proper overflow valves are no longer refillable.

We are sorry to say that we cannot accept any propane tanks for disposal. However, actions are presently being taken by Washtenaw County to provide means to dispose of propane tanks.

Important Reminder: Please contact your local fire department and obtain a burn permit before doing any burning on your property. If you are within the Chelsea Area Fire Authority you can call 475-1339. If you are within the Dexter Area Fire Authority call 426-4500.

LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP BOARD

## CITY OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, April 13, 2004

Washington Street Education Center

Present: Mayor Feeney, City Manager Steklac, Clerk Burch

Council Members Lindauer, Myles, Albertson, Hammer, Bollinger

Absent: Council Member Merkel

Others Present: Earl Heller, Ronald Beyer, Gary Adams, LuAnn Koch,

Arlene Grau, Karen Dixon, Cindy Beauchamp, Holly Koch, Chris Rode,

Jim Drolett

Mayor Feeney called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Motion, Myles; Support, Hammer; to approve the consent agenda with corrections to the minutes of showing seven parking spaces on Park St will be blocked off for the Farmer's Market. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Hammer; Support, Myles; to approve the Regular Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Albertson; Support, Bollinger to approve the Resolution to Divide Lots 12 and 14 of the Chelsea Industrial Park. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Bollinger; Support, Hammer; to approve additional funding for the Automatic Meter Reading Project in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to be divided between the Electric Fund (\$26,000) Water Fund (\$8,000) and Wastewater Fund (\$6,000). Roll call vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Myles; Support, Albertson; to award the bid for a 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe to Fast-Dieseling Chevy Buick Olds of Chelsea in the amount of \$26,321.00 as the lowest bidder as well as equipment in the amount of \$3,150.00 for a total of \$29,471. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Albertson; Support, Hammer to raise the rate charged to Sylvan, Lima, Lyndon and Dexter Townships for solid waste brought to the transfer station during their cleanups to \$15.00 per cubic yard. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Hammer; support, Bollinger; to appoint City Manager Michael Steklac as the alternate delegate to the Chelsea Area Construction Agency Board; Acting Police Chief Riley S. Sumner as the delegate to the Washtenaw County Emergency Telephone District Board; and to appoint Ann Feeney as Delegate and Jason Lindauer as the alternate representative to the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study board. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Albertson; support, Bollinger; to approve adding Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day and Good Friday as holidays for time and one-half pay effective April 13, 2004 for part time police officers and dispatchers. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Albertson; Support, Lindauer; to approve the emergency purchase (dated April 2, 2004) of services provided by Northern Boiler Mechanical Contractors in the amount of \$11,730 with funds to be provided from the Water Fund fund balance. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Albertson; Support, Hammer; to contact CATS and have a presentation made to Council and decide at that time what action to take. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Albertson; support, Myles; to approve the distribution of the draft plan for public comment. (McKune property shown as open space should be noted as being owned by DDA) All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Myles; Support, Lindauer; to approve the Resolution to divide Lots #1 and #16 of James M Congdon's Second Addition in order to make two buildable lots. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion, Hammer; Support, Lindauer; to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

NOTE: This is only a synopsis of the February 18, 2004 Special Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Clerk's Office at 305 S. Main St., Chelsea, MI.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Burch, City Clerk

Approved: April 27, 2004



## SENIORS ARE TRAVELING more than ever.

*Cruises and guided tours are still popular vacation ideas.*

### TRAVEL CHECKLIST

Whatever the destination or style of vacation, it is important to make sure you look and feel your best. So don't forget to:

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- See if your healthcare coverage is valid overseas or in other regions of the country.
- Pack accordingly, including adequate sunscreen and protective sunglasses for all locales.
- Try to walk around the airplane cabin or cruise ship to avoid problems associated with lack of circulation.
- Drink plenty of water to prevent dehydration, especially when salty foods and alcoholic beverages are in the mix.
- Don't overextend yourself. Get plenty of rest before you embark and during the vacation itself. You don't want to return home less rested than when you left.
- Eat moderately. Cruises offer large portions of food at all hours. Try to limit your intake to maximize health benefits.
- Stop worrying and put your enjoyment first.

### Top Senior Travel Trends

Travel tastes are becoming increasingly diverse as senior citizens are more active than ever before. In fact, according to the Travel Industry Association of America (TIA), trips by mature travelers, age 55-plus, peaked at nearly 180 million by the close of 2000. Baby boomers accounted for almost half of the domestic trips, and senior citizens accounted for nearly one-third of domestic travel. However, the most mature age group -- 65-plus -- made up roughly half, or 92 million trips.

### CRUISING

Seniors have distinct ideas about what they like when it comes to traveling. Cruising remains one of the most popular ways to vacation. However, before booking a cruise, consider the following types, depending upon the trip desired:

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# Dyer, Vleck pace Beach boys' track

Chelsea's Beach Middle School boys' track and field team defeated Tecumseh 74-63 April 28.

Sam Dyer led the visiting Bulldogs (2-0), capturing the shot put with a season best 40-feet, 7 inches. Dyer's heave was four feet farther than his previous best effort.

"Sam Dyer's effort in the shot put was outstanding," said Beach coach Dave Jolly.

Tyler Ball finished third in the shot put for Beach.

Nathan Vleck had an impressive meet for the Bulldogs, placing first in the pole vault and in the high jump. He was also second in the 400-meter run.

Andrew Korc ended up second in the pole vault for the Bulldogs.

In the 70-meter dash, seventh-grader Kevin Rosentreter blazed to a first-place finish with a time of 8.9.

Fellow classmate Scott Rhodes was strong in the 3,200-meter run, winning in 12:02 for Beach. Teammate Dan Case crossed the line third for the Bulldogs.

Justin McGrath had a fine all-around meet for Beach, finishing first in the 55-meter hurdles, second in the 200-meter hurdles and third in the long jump.

Evan Carpenter placed second in the 55-meter hurdles and third in the 200-meter hurdles for the Bulldogs. Teammate Brad Ratliff was third in the 55-meter hurdles.

In the 1,600-meter run, Seth Brezee broke the tape first, while Case was second for Beach.

Ryan Feeney finished second in the 800-meter run, while Ball was second in the 100 meters, and Steve Bauer third for the Bulldogs.

James Connolly placed third in the 200 meters for Beach.

In the 3,200-meter relay, the Bulldog foursome of Jake Powell, Brezee, Feeney and Rhodes bested the field, finishing first.

Don Riedel, Zack Gier, Jake Galarowic and Peter Wilke placed first for Beach in the 400-meter relay.

The Bulldogs next travel to Jackson Northwest for a meet 4:15 p.m. tomorrow.

On Monday, Chelsea visits Temperance Bedford for a meet at 4 p.m.

## PIONEER

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without hesitation. The entire team is proud of her." Chelsea vs. Huron

In JV golf action, Chelsea lost to Ann Arbor Huron 241-299 last Thursday at Reddeman Farms Golf Course.

"I knew going into this match that we were going to be at a disadvantage," Bareis said. "We only had four of our six JV members playing. Thus, we didn't have six scores from which to choose the best four."

"I think that put some pressure on our girls."

Despite the loss, Bareis said the experience her JV squad received from playing the River Rats was invaluable.

"They are our future varsity players, so any competition they can face now as JV players is very helpful," she said.

Pacing the Bulldogs was Danielle Steiger, with a 64. She parred the 142-yard, par 3, seventh hole.

Nicky Lodewyk shot a 70. She bogied the 407-yard, par 5, fourth hole.

Erin Hoeflinger, playing in her first match, finished with a 74. Like Lodewyk, she also bogied the 407-yard, par 5, fourth hole.

# Chelsea JV baseball sweeps Dexter

Chelsea's JV baseball team swept county rival Dexter 3-1, 8-4 in a doubleheader last Friday.

In the opener, Bulldog pitcher Dan Rhodes picked up the victory from the mound, going the distance, allowing two hits, fanning nine and walking two.

Visiting Chelsea (5-7) scored two runs in the fifth inning and one in the seventh. The Dreadnaughts scored first, getting a run in the second stanza.

Getting key hits for the Bulldogs in the two-run fifth inning were Alex Stewart with a RBI single and Rhodes with a RBI triple.

In the seventh inning, Stewart had a RBI sacrifice fly.

Paul Ernst and David Fishburn each finished 2-for-4, leading Chelsea offensively.

"We are getting better every week," said Chelsea

coach Jim Ticknor. "We had some key hits and defensive plays. The pitching was outstanding."

In the nightcap, Matt Connell earned the win from the rubber, tossing five innings, giving up six hits, striking out two and walking four.

A six-run first inning was all the Bulldogs needed to subdue Dexter.

Nick Harwood had a two-run RBI double, and Rhodes and Fishburn each had RBI singles to lead Chelsea in the first inning.

Sam Boyce finished 3-for-4 from the plate to spark the Bulldogs.

"We continue to improve defensively," Ticknor said. "There were several key hits today. When our offense improves, we will be very good."

Chelsea vs. Tecumseh On April 27, the Bulldogs beat visiting Tecumseh 5-2.

Rhodes chalked up the win, throwing three innings, fanning two and walking two.

Besides Rhodes, Connell pitched three innings, while Ernst tossed one inning for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea scored five third inning runs, wrapping up the

victory. Marcus Flores had a RBI double, while C.J. Boyer had a RBI single in the game-winning inning for the Bulldogs.

"Our pitchers all threw very well," Ticknor said. "We were able to take advantage of some Tecumseh miscues."

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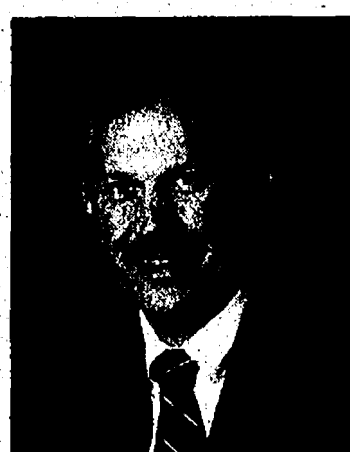


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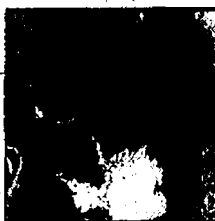
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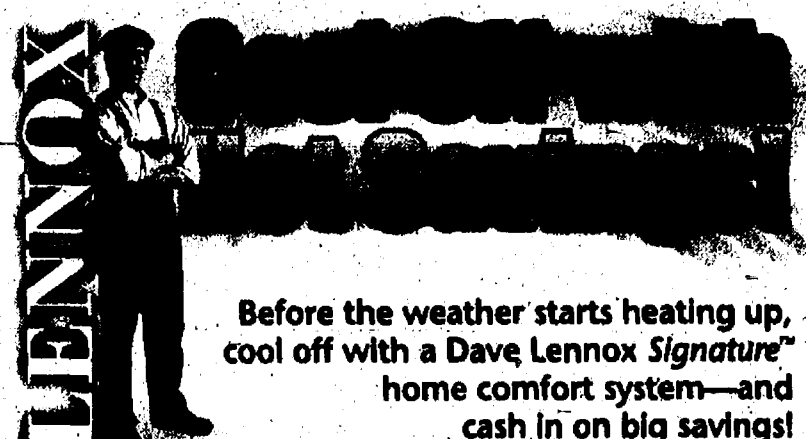
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## Senior Prom

LeRoy Fulcher and Ethel Johns, both of Chelsea, take a turn on the dance floor, enjoying the music and good food at Saturday's Senior Citizen Prom sponsored by the Lion's Club and held at Beach Middle School in Chelsea.

## DEATHS



**RITA VENCIL HOLTON**  
Munith

### Formerly of Dexter

Rita Vencil Holton, 40, of Munith, formerly of Dexter, died suddenly April 28, 2004, as a result of an auto accident. She was born Oct. 18, 1963, in Ann Arbor to Michael and Alice (McGinn) Vencil.

Mrs. Holton graduated from Dexter High School in 1981 and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan Dental School in 1993. She worked as a dental hygienist in Stockbridge.

Mrs. Holton was an avid hunter and loved sports, and traveling. She also

was an accomplished musician and a former organist at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter.

Everyone she met was a friend, and she will be greatly missed.

Survivors include her parents; brothers, Michael, Patrick and Daniel (Ann) Vencil; sisters, Laurie Vencil, Lynne Vencil, Sandra Vencil and Karen Vencil; and nephews, Joseph and Alex Vencil.

Visitation was Sunday at the Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel in Dexter and at St. Joseph Catholic Church. The Rev. Brendan Walsh presided over the Mass of Christian Burial Monday at the church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery in Dexter.

### ELAINE G. HOLDER

#### Chelsea

#### Formerly of Redford Township

Elaine G. Holder, 87, of Chelsea, formerly of Redford Township, died April 28, 2004, at Chelsea Retirement Community. She was born Nov. 3, 1916, in Detroit the daughter of Caroline and Walter (Knight) Pezet.

Mrs. Holder leaves a family legacy: her husband, Howard; children, Dave

and Patty Holder, Jim and Lois Gibbons, Doug and Christy Holder; eight grandchildren; Carrie Hallman (David), Julie Lynn Gibbons, Heidi Holder, Jenny Gibbons, Brad Gibbons, Sara Holder, Daniel Holder and Katie Holder; and one great-grandchild, Haley Holder.

Mrs. Holder was a member of Rice and Northville United Methodist churches. A bacteriologist at Highland Park General Hospital, youth worker, elementary teacher, volunteer, and she served for several years in prison and homeless shelter ministry.

A memorial service was held yesterday at Chelsea Retirement Community. The Revs. Jennifer Bixby and Beth Foster officiated. A second memorial service will be held noon May 15 at First United Methodist Church in Northville. The Revs. Jennifer Bixby and John Hice will officiate.

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### PLAY REVIEW

I'll come right out and say that I have a major bias in this review of "A Little Night Music," a Chelsea High School faculty and friends concert put on by the Chelsea Music Boosters.

I know most of the performers personally, I'm related to some of them and I was one.

That out of the way, this show, emceed by Chelsea High School Principal Ron Mead, was one of the most captivating I have seen in a long time.

I have known these people for years and have never seen them put on a "performer hat" before. The curiosity kept me riveted.

Yvonne Hopp and the rest of the Music Boosters put out the call for performers and

Chelsea faculty responded perfectly.

This show was a genuinely good time with plenty of variety to keep kids and adults alike hooked. Acts ranged from classical and serious to humorous and strange.

The Liberty Brass Quintet with Chelsea's Jim Otto on horn kicked off the show in a sweeping, regal style, playing Mozart, Sousa and Bernstein.

Andrea Miller, a North Creek Elementary School music teacher, sang "Flower Duet" from Lakme with a recording of herself.

Later, Julie Deppner, and Jeanne Caselli joined her in performing "It's Raining on From Night" from "Grease." Prophetic, huh? They executed their synchronized choreography with precision, and broke our hearts with their tragic story and rummy mascara.

Chelsea band director and music teacher Rick Catherman played a beautiful, mellow Andante movement from Haydn's Concerto for Trumpet. Nathan Peters, Chelsea orchestra teacher, played "My Heart Will Go On" and other tunes on solo violin.

Andy Ingall and Julie Deppner sang "Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better" with a few altered verses, including an argument over who can sing the highest and give out more suspensions.

Barb Locks, librarian-turned-bloc teacher and storyteller extraordinaire, shared the lengthy tale of "Hardy Hard Head" — none of which I could hear very well from off stage, but judging from audience response, it was a hit.

The immensely talented

Hohnke family began their set with a hysterical rendition of Harry Nilsson's "Lime in de Coconut," complete with audience participation.

My brother, Rob, and I sang "If I Had a Million Dollars" by the Barenaked Ladies, with upcoming Chelsea superstar Eric Hohnke on guitar.

This was followed by a breath-taking performance by B.J. and Kris of the song "Goodbye for Now."

Their later appearance as Sonny and Cher singing, "I Got You, Babe," had a similar

audience reaction.

High school teachers Nancy Zyzelewski and Eric Swager entertained the audience with "A Country Boy/Girl Can Survive" and saddened us with their version of "Unforgettable." Nancy is leaving Chelsea schools, but bid a farewell and assured the community it would not be forgotten with the song and enhanced by her slide show of Chelsea memories.

Teachers Dave Brinklow, Eric Smith and Jed Fritze-

meier, with Mark Hurst, played and sang to guitars in their set of Crosby, Stills, and Nash numbers and an original called "The Hobbit."

Coconut Radio, the rock band featuring Chelsea choral director Steve Hinz, orchestra teacher Jed Fritze-meier and talented others brought the show to a rocking conclusion.

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Talking with your kids about drugs and alcohol can be uncomfortable. While it's a sensitive subject, it's worth the time and effort — the consequences of drinking and drugs are high.

Indeed, children's knowledge and perceptions of drugs and alcohol come from friends, family and the media. According to a survey by the National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC), many teens learn how to use and get drugs from these same sources. In the survey, some teens said that news programs present drug information in such detail that they teach young people how to use drugs.

Parents play a large role in preventing their children from using drugs and alcohol. According to a 2000 study by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA), teens whose parents monitor their media exposure, school performance and whereabouts after school and on weekends are at one-quarter the risk of smoking, drinking and using illegal drugs.

Start as early as possible; even preschoolers can be influenced. At this age, kids form ideas that impact decisions later on. They are eager to know rules and get your opinions on what's bad and what's good. Help them make the right decisions about what should go into their bodies, keeping your explanations simple. Point out harmful household products and their labels, such as bleach or furniture polish. Explain to them that not all bad drugs have warnings on them, so they should eat food or medicine only from a parent, grandparent or caregiver.

For elementary school children, discuss how putting anything that's not food, water or juice into their body is harmful. Explain that people sometimes put bad things into their bodies because they don't take care of themselves. Praise them for taking good care of their bodies and avoiding things that may harm them.

Kids become even more influenced by peers once they hit middle school or junior high. Teach them why they should avoid alcohol and drugs. Don't let it become a part of their life because they are bored. Keep them busy after school with activities, chores and homework. Get to know their friends and their parents by chauffeuring kids to and from school activities and volunteering at school functions.

High school kids are older, so you can give them the facts. You and your teen should know the names of popular drugs, their effects and the

legal penalties for possessing them.

Be sure to define your rules about drinking and driving. Tell your teen that he can call you for a ride if he is confronted with a driver who is under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Explain that you'll pick him up at any time, no questions asked.

Most kids experiment with drugs or alcohol for basic reasons — they are curious and looking for a way to relax. Even more, they want to feel accepted by peers. It's important to help your children make good decisions. That comes from setting a positive example, staying involved in their lives and talking to them early and often about the consequences of using drugs and alcohol.

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### Dance Duo

Fourth-grader Tess Schuessler (left) and third-grader Sarah Oberholtzer, pupils at Pierce Lake Elementary School, performed in the school's recent talent show, held at the Washington Street Education Center in Chelsea.

### WASHTENAW COUNTY

## Open house tours set

Several local bed-and-breakfast establishments will be included in 16 open houses set from noon to 7

p.m. Wednesday.

The event is part of Washtenaw County's National Tourism Week, sponsored by the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Local B&Bs participating are Chelsea House Victorian Inn at 11 E. Middle Street in Chelsea, Lyndon Oaks at 17720 North Territorial Road in Lyndon Township and Waterloo Gardens at 7800 Werkner Road in Waterloo Township.

The establishments will have information on other bed-and-breakfast places available.

"We're so fortunate to have such a nice variety of bed and breakfasts in the Chelsea area," Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Director Bob Pierce said.

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Chelsea House Inn on E. Middle Street will be among 16 local bed-and-breakfast establishments included as part of an open house tour from noon to 7 p.m. Wednesday.

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## Performance set May 16

The Chelsea Chamber Players will present its final concert of the season 3 p.m. May 16 at the historic Chelsea Depot.

The performance will consist of three works — two of them based on classic children's stories, presented with narration and music.

The concert will feature local professional musicians Nathan Peters and Ian Cumming on violin, Joanna Myers on viola, Sara Cumming on cello, Laura Pemberton on flute, William Pemberton on tuba and Gregory Wakefield narrating the two stories.



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### Young Artist

Missy Judd, an eighth-grader from Beach Middle School, shows off her life drawing from Art II class. The artwork will be on display in a Chelsea School District art show at the Washington Street Education Center May 11 through 14.

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The concert will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Morris Lawrence Building on the Washtenaw Community College campus, 4800 E. Huron River Drive, in Ann Arbor.

The evening will begin in the Towsley Auditorium with a musical revue by The Choral Connection. This year's show is a tribute to old-time radio and the big-band era, with hit parade songs, comedy skits, mystery bits and some musical commercials of the period.

The audience will then move into the lobby, set up as a jazz club, complete with small tables and chairs, to hear The Couriers. Refreshments and beverages will be available for purchase.

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**Grass Lake** Custom built 3 bedroom, 1 full and 2 half baths, 2-story, over 1600 square feet, full basement, fireplace, 2-car garage, on an acre lot. Grass Lake schools. \$178,900. Sherry Grammatico 971-8070, eves 604-0367.



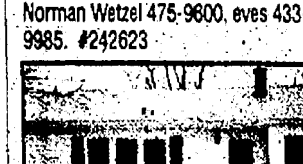
**Dexter** 4 bedroom Colonial. Oxford model by Peters in Dexter Crossing. Many upgrades including gas fireplace, oak railing, brick elevation and a/c. \$282,965. Kim Peoples 424-2778, eves 648-4012. #2402121



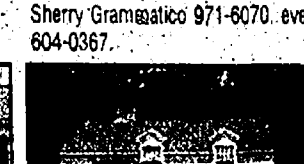
**Chelsea** Beautiful & spacious country 6 bedroom, 3.1 bath home on 10ac. 1st floor master, finished walkout w/kitchen, bath, 3-season porch, 6 yrs old. Off paved road. \$369,000. Julie Picknell 429-9449, eves 734-395-6383. #2403018



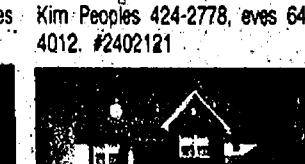
**Chelsea** 892 Ridge. Elegance & quality in beautiful 4000sf, year old, brick home on a hilltop w/Cavanaugh Lake views. 1st floor master, soaring great room, walkout. \$878,000. Elizabeth Brien 665-0300, eves 734-845-4444. #2403177



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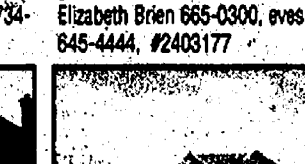
**Bellefonte** Quality 4 bedroom colonial, custom kitchen & baths, see thru fireplace, formal dining, built-in bookshelves. Hardwood & ceramic floors. Appliances. \$199,900. Marjorie Boigos 747-7777, eves 998-1138. #237128



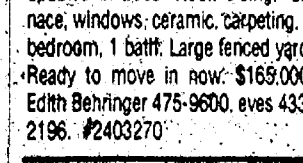
**Chelsea** Quality 1484sf ranch in desirable location. Family room with fireplace, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, etc. Full basement. Close to schools, downtown. Motivated seller! \$210,000. Edith Behringer 475-9600, eves 433-2196. #2400072



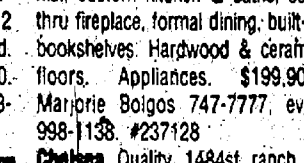
**Saline** Great opportunity to own a golf course building site in Saline. Over 2 acres on Textile Rd., next to Brookview Highlands Sub. Low Lot! Two taxes. \$229,900. Mary Newton 429-9449, eves 846-3172. #2402042



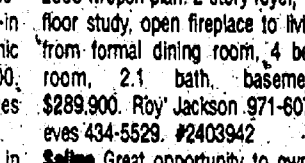
**Saline** Maintenance-free living! Better than new 4 bedroom, 3.1 bath condo, full fin., walk-out. Large kitchen, great lot backs to stream & woods. Walk to school, town. \$299,900. Debbie Kotah/Lauehuser 429-9449, eves 323-7067. #2402783



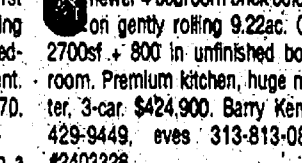
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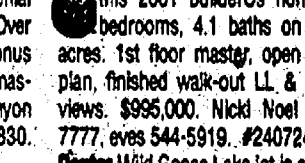
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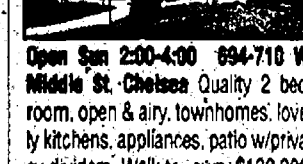
**Chelsea** Lush 2 acre landscaped. Exceptional home has maple kitchen, custom fireplace, deluxe master w/ jet tub, finished walkout, 3 season room & car garage. \$389,000. Deborah Engelbert 475-9600, eves 734-368-3683. #2404282



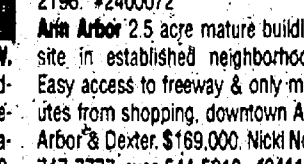
**Chelsea** Magnificent setting on Cavanaugh Lake. Custom open plan w/granite, hardwood, tile, limestone, tumble marble, top appliances, security & Woodmode cabinets. \$685,000. Dan Cooper 475-9600, eves 395-2744. #2402721



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