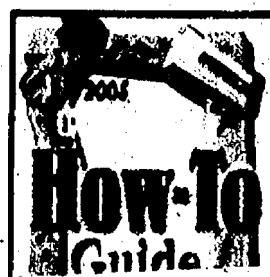


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CHELSEA

Cop found not guilty

*Bulson acquitted
of rape charges*

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

After four hours of deliberation Friday, a 12-member jury found Andrew Bulson, a 23-year-old Chelsea police officer charged with sexually assaulting a woman at an Oct. 12, 2003, party in Stockbridge, not guilty of three counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct.

The trial concluded last week in Ingham County Circuit Court. Bulson faced up to 15 years in prison if convicted on any of the three charges.

The party took place at the Stockbridge home of Matthew Francis, a full-time Chelsea police officer and a paid on-call firefighter with the Chelsea Area Fire Authority. It involved a woman with whom Francis allegedly had intimate relations, according to court testimony.

The woman, who was in bed with Francis the night of the party, alleged that she awoke to find Bulson sexually assaulting her.

The woman testified that she initially thought it was Francis who was touching her, but when she realized it was someone else, she screamed and ran out of the house.

Bulson, however, testified that the woman "was awake

and actively participated in the sexual encounter," said Bulson's attorney Mike Nichols of Lansing-based The Reynolds Law Firm.

Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney Carol Bucher, who prosecuted the case, and Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Linda Maloney declined Monday to comment about the trial's outcome.

Maloney said the prosecution's case was based on the theory that the alleged victim was physically helpless at the time of the incident.

All three counts stipulated that Bulson knew the alleged victim was "physically helpless or mentally incapacitated or mentally incapable" during the alleged assault.

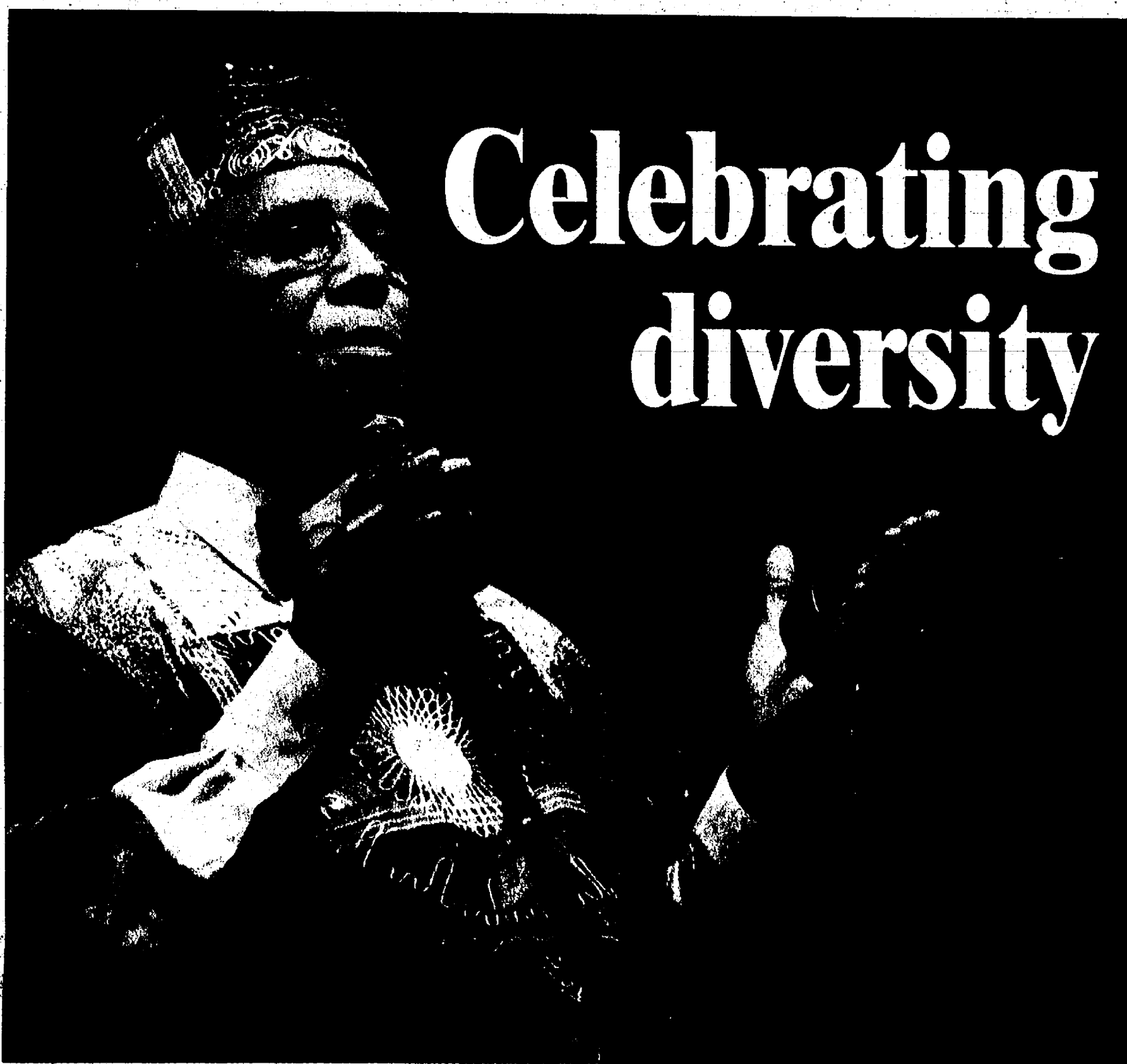
The jury verdict cannot be appealed, Maloney said.

Nichols said Friday that the jury did not find beyond a reasonable doubt that the woman, who testified she was drinking at the party and was tired from driving from Washington, D.C., was physically helpless at the time of the alleged assault.

"It's hard to argue, at least to a moral certainty, that someone is physically helpless when (the alleged victim) testified at the trial that she felt herself being penetrated," Nichols said.

Nichols added that the

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Celebrating diversity

MLK Day events draw student participation

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

Nearly 37 years after he was struck down and killed by an assassin's bullet, Martin Luther King Jr.'s spirit and dream indeed live on in Chelsea.

King's spirit and dream shined in the halls of Chelsea High School Monday evening as students played ensemble jazz music and read moving essays advocating the causes the slain civil rights pioneer championed.

About 50 people braved 10-degree temperatures for the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial March, which worked its way through downtown Chelsea. Another 450 people crowded the Chelsea High School auditorium for evening activities that capped off the first year the Chelsea School District was closed to students during the holiday.

At the high school, various student musical groups played alongside Jazzistry — an Ann Arbor-based jazz group led by Vincent York that documents how various races contributed to the American-born art form — while five students in third through 12th grades read award-winning essays addressing King's legacy.

State Sen. Liz Brater and state Rep. Pam Byrnes congratulated the Chelsea Board of Education, the Chelsea Education

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Above, Vincent York describes slavery struggles to a crowd of about 450 Monday at Chelsea High School. At left, Meghan Grau, a Chelsea High School junior, performs a solo for the crowd celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Photos by
Craig Watson

CHELSEA

Plant reports spill

*Between 100 and 200
gallons of raw sewage
overflowed last week*

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

An electrical glitch that also interrupted power to schools, homes and businesses east of Main Street Jan. 12 caused between 100 and 200 gallons of raw sewage to be spilled at the Chelsea Wastewater Treatment Plant

last Thursday.

Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac said Monday that the spill was contained within a security-fenced area of the treatment plant that is inaccessible to the public, and posed no health risk to residents.

An underground wire near the Washington Street Education Center, already compromised by a prior construction project, was further damaged by excessive rainfall last Wednesday, Steklac

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Chelsea residents may vote from 7 a.m. to 8

p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. Absentee ballots are available through the city clerk at 475-1771.

For more information, check out the Web site www.city-chelsea.org.

Sylvan Township residents may vote on the millage from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US-12. More information for Sylvan residents is available online at www.twp-sylvan.org.

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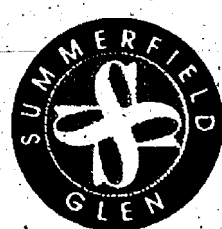
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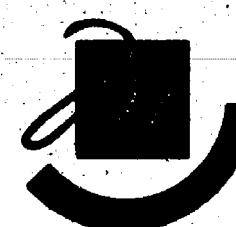
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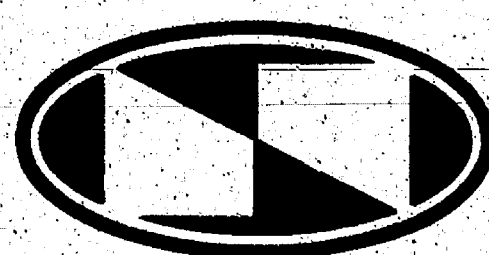
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CHELSEA SCHOOLS

Buildings lose power

Problem in line triggers power outages east of Main Street

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

An electrical problem in an underground power line Jan. 12 exacerbated by heavy rains caused power outages at Pierce Lake Elementary, Beach Middle School, the Washington Street Education Center, as well as at homes and businesses east of Main Street.

Beach Middle School Principal Andrew Ingall said Monday that flashlights in the school and ambient light outside allowed classes to continue at the school until power was restored by the school's final period.

Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac said Monday that the power line, which is located near the Washington Street Education Center and is owned by the Chelsea School District, had been damaged years ago by a construction crew, was already compromised and was affected by heavy rainfall that day.

The city installed an overhead line to bypass the underground line until it could be replaced, Steklac said. He was unsure about whether the city would pay for the repair.

"Until the schools can get in there to correct this line, this happens from time to time," Steklac said, adding that the school system "may not have had money to repair the power line in the past."

Steklac said all the schools had power restored by the end of the day.

The underground line supplied electricity to the Washington Street Education Center only, he said, but the power interruption triggered the shutdown of other power lines east of Main Street.

Power systems in those areas shut themselves down and restarted themselves within a short time period, he said, although power was interrupted to the Washington Street Education Center into Thursday.

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STRAIGHT FACTS

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CHELSEA SCHOOLS

Petitions due for board

Filing deadline for candidates moved from April to February

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

New election consolidation laws adopted by the Michigan Legislature has resulted in a new deadline of 4 p.m. Feb. 8 for Chelsea Board of Education candidates to file petitions at the Washtenaw County Clerk's Office.

In past practice, Chelsea Board of Education candidates had until April to file petitions.

The next Chelsea Board of Education election is scheduled for May 3.

Jan Pratt, secretary to Chelsea School District Superintendent Dave Killips, said Monday that board candidates used to be required to file petitions in April, eight weeks prior to school board elections in June.

Under the new laws, board candidates now must file petitions 12 weeks in advance of board elections, which the Board of Education determined would now take place annually the first Tuesday following the first Tuesday in May.

This cycle, two four-year board seats are up for election, when terms for Board of Education members Rob

Turner and Beth Starkey expire.

The Board of Education has a total of seven members, all of whom serve four-year terms.

Pratt said board candidates must reside within Chelsea School District boundaries, and must be registered voters.

Board of Education members set policy for the school district, to be carried out by district administration.

They are paid \$25 per meeting.

Pratt said because election consolidation reforms were passed to reduce the overall number of yearly elections, it's possible other issues could appear on the May 3 ballot.

Scheduling school board elections on November ballots would be awkward, Pratt said, because such scenarios would cause winning candi-

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MLK

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Association and One World One Family — a Chelsea organization formed in 2002 to celebrate diversity and foster interracial harmony — for combining efforts to help students acknowledge the holiday.

Anthony Sensoli, a Chelsea High School 10th-grader, said in a speech that although progress toward racial equality has been made, there is more work to do locally.

"If Dr. King had a dream for Chelsea, it would be that we would see each other as equals," Anthony said. "Prejudice is still alive and well in our small city."

Fifth-grader Andy Cerveny, an adopted child whose birth parents are a black mother and a white father, gave a speech that was at once heartbreaking and true to King's nonviolent message.

Andy, who moved with his adopted parents from Connecticut to Chelsea, said he first encountered racial bigotry from some of his fellow students upon entering fourth grade at South Meadows Elementary School.

"These kids did not like my brown skin, and they let me know every chance they got," he said. "They called me 'poop' because they said I was the color of poop. They also called me 'the black kid,' and 'retard.' I asked them to stop, but they just kept calling me names."

"I finally told my mom about it when she asked why I didn't want to invite one of them to my birthday party," he said. "By this time, it was May. The school year was almost over, and the kids had been judging me pretty much since the first day I walked into class."

"Martin Luther King made

me see that even if I don't love the people who hurt me, I shouldn't fight with them."

York, who led his band with music and narration that described and exemplified the artistic genesis of jazz, began his interactive presentation by saying, "Slavery didn't make no difference."

meaning the white man's enslaving of black Africans could not squelch the creation of jazz.

At certain points during the show, student musicians in the Chelsea House Orchestra and fiddle club joined Jazzistry with violins, flutes, clarinets, guitars and bongo drums.

Dan Kaminsky, a member of One World One Family, which helped to sponsor Jazzistry's concert, said the evening's events were successful.

"I think this is an excellent opportunity for our kids to participate with professional musicians," Kaminsky said. "This community needs to learn about the fact that there are other people and cultures out there, and that we need to enjoy diversity."

One World One Family Treasurer Diane Locker said the community could improve its overall tolerance of all people and cultures.

"This is a loving and warm community," she said. "The discrimination that goes on in this town is out of ignorance. People don't realize how important it is to work to be inclusive — you can't just take it for granted."

Jeff Cowall, another One World One Family member, said he has witnessed Chelsea's progress toward welcoming diversity since he moved here 15 years ago.

"It's evolving, big time," he said. "It's a small enough town where you can see the mechanism, and because it's so small you can address social issues on an individual basis. If you don't deal with issues like racism on a personal level, then the community isn't going to change."

Sarah Glover, 16, and Adam McGuinness, 17, both Chelsea High School juniors, said the school is welcoming diversity slowly but surely.

"In the past, we never thought of Martin Luther

King Jr. Day as a holiday," Adam said. "I think it's good we're finally starting to recognize it. I think the school needs to get more diverse for this even to matter."

Added Sarah, "I think it's high time something like this happened in Chelsea. In all my years here, I've only seen brief acknowledgments of (the holiday). The topic of racial diversity was just brought up in passing."

York said jazz music, which evidences contributions from many different ethnic groups throughout its history, is a metaphor for King's

"This community needs to learn about the fact that there are other people and cultures out there, and that we need to enjoy diversity."

**Dan Kaminsky
One World One Family member**



Dwight Adams leads the band on a march around the auditorium at Chelsea High during the celebration.

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Andy Cerveny, 10, a fifth-grader in Chelsea schools, reads his essay during Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebrations organized by One World One Family.

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CHELSEA AREA

City delays approval for fire department budget

Proposed budget amounts to a nearly \$67,000 increase for city

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

The City Council must give Chelsea Area Fire Authority representative Jamie Bollinger either a yea or nay message when he votes on whether Chelsea will approve its \$242,204 portion of a proposed Fire Authority budget Feb. 3.

The City Council will vote on whether to approve the proposed 2005-06 fiscal year budget next Tuesday.

Chelsea's 2004-2005 Fire Authority budget contribution was approximately \$175,000.

The proposed budget would amount to about a 38 percent, or \$67,000, increase for the city.

The Fire Authority's total operating budget for fiscal year 2005-2006 is about \$700,000, and is paid for in part by its five member municipalities.

Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac said Monday that the proposed increase in Chelsea's share of the budget largely stemmed from Waterloo Township's withdrawal from the Fire Authority last year. The move shifted a greater financial burden to the remaining member municipalities, which include the city of Chelsea, and Lima, Lyndon and Sylvan townships.

Previously, Waterloo Township had contributed about \$87,000 annually to the Fire Authority.

A 12 percent increase in fringe benefits for firefighters, and a 3 percent wage increase for firefighters and billing specialists, as well as an increase in projected percentage use patterns for Chelsea, also factored into the budget increase, Steklac said.

Chelsea would not be alone in paying for Fire Authority increases. Lima Township, for example, is looking at a 34 percent increase.

The projected budget anticipates that Chelsea will account for about 35 percent of all Fire Authority runs — a figure that is based on typical past usage rates by the city. Last fiscal year, however, the city's percentage of Fire Authority runs was reduced to about 25 percent.

At a Jan. 11 City Council meeting, Steklac said he was concerned about paying toward an increased Fire Authority budget out of a city general fund already beleaguered by cuts in state revenue sharing.

The city's general fund is also used to pay for core municipal services, such as Department of Public Works activities, park maintenance, assessing services, and Chelsea Police Department expenses.

The general fund is primarily supported by state shared revenues and property taxes.

"The general fund is probably not the healthiest of all our funds," Steklac said Monday. "But we're in the same boat as a lot of other communities."

While tax rates have stayed stable, Steklac said, the general fund has been affected by Headlee millage rate rollbacks, as well as the 1994 Proposal A restrictions that cap property tax base growth.

"Between those two factors and some extraordinary expenses that are coming down with things like increased health care and gas expenses, workers compensation costs and insurance costs, a lot of communities are looking at severe

cutbacks or service cuts," Steklac said.

Steklac added that the entire \$67,000 increase would have to come out of the city's general fund during the current and coming fiscal year, which he said would create "a challenge."

On the other hand, if an operational millage were passed for the Fire Authority, it would take some financial burden off the city, Steklac said.

"The advantage of an operational millage would be some stabilization based on property values, as opposed to the number of man hours that would be utilized," he said.

"It's hard to budget for something that could change from month to month. If we had a large fire in town, our percentage could shoot up much higher, and we would have to come up with more money than anticipated."

Concurrent lowering of a city millage, Steklac said, could offset passage of a Fire Authority millage.

At the Jan. 11 City Council meeting, Trustee Cheri Albertson said she would like to see more detailed percentage breakdowns in the proposed budget.

Steklac said if the City Council were to vote down the budget, the city could request a budget reduction from the Fire Authority, but the Fire Authority Board ultimately would vote on whether to revise a budget.

The increased budget demands come at a time when the city also hopes to improve police and Department of Public Works services, Steklac said.

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Mike Steklac
City Manager

CHELSEA SCHOOLS

MEAP tests to begin

Children across the state will take the Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests between Jan. 24 and Feb. 11.

The tests assess the academic progress of students in fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth grades.

Building principals set testing schedules for students in the Chelsea School District. Copies of the schedules have been distributed to families of students in tested grades.

Most testing is scheduled for the first two weeks of the testing window, between Jan. 25 and Feb. 4, leaving the final week for make-up testing for students who were absent or unable to test.

Federal mandates and state regulations require that 100 percent of students in each tested grade be assessed.

The Chelsea School District has information available to parents on how to help children do their best on MEAP tests, and what the future holds for the MEAP program.

A MEAP forum presentation is available for viewing at the district Web site at www.chelsea.k12.mi.us.

Information is also available in all school buildings. Families with questions regarding MEAP testing should speak with their child's teacher or building principal.

Shawn Lewis-Lakin, executive director for student performance, serves as district's MEAP coordinator. He may be contacted at slewis-lakin@gmail.com, chelsea.k12.mi.us, or at 433-2208, ext. 6084.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Scio Township

Fire
An electrical fire destroyed a Scio Township home Jan. 12, according to police reports.

The home, located at 6393 Jackson Road, had been unoccupied at the time of the blaze. The fire was hidden by the dense fog that clouded the area throughout the day and into the night, the report said.

A woman working nearby the house called the fire at about 3:40 p.m. after smelling smoke. According to a police report, there was a downed power line at the home, and open flames in the building's southwest corner.

The home was built in 1947 and had been vacated by a tenant just a few days prior to the fire, the report said. A new tenant was supposed to move in Jan. 15, the owner said.

The Scio Township Fire Department determined that the fire had started at an outdoor meter box and spread up and around the outside of the building. When it reached the roof, it spread inside to the home's second floor. There were no signs of any accelerant found.

Retail Fraud

An Ann Arbor man was arrested Jan. 9 after he attempted to steal 16 packages of baseball cards from the Meijer store at the corner of Zeeb and Jackson roads.

The man, who had placed the baseball cards in his pockets and then left the store, told deputies he had only forgotten to pay and had exited the store to use his cell phone.

According to police records, this was the third time the man had been arrested for shoplifting at Meijer. The other incidents occurred on Nov. 28, 1998, and Feb. 13, 1999.

Breaking and Entering

Two vehicles parked in the 1000 block of Rabbit Run Circle were damaged Jan. 9, according to police reports.

In the first incident, a woman reported that sometime between 9:30 p.m. Jan. 8 and 12:45 p.m. Jan. 9, an unidentified person had taken an object and broken the passenger-side window to her 2002 Volkswagen Jetta. The woman told deputies that she did not notice anything missing from the vehicle.

According to a police report, a deputy canvassed the area for other property destruction and signs of

theft, but did not notice anything unusual.

However, according to another police report, at least one other neighborhood vehicle was broken into that morning. A woman told police Jan. 9 that an unidentified person broke into her vehicle between 12:05 and 9:15 a.m. that day.

The woman said her front passenger window had been broken and an iPod handheld computer valued at \$300 was stolen.

Deputies have no suspects in either incident.

Chelsea

Property Damage

A homeowner on Chestnut Street saw someone leaning out a rear window of a vehicle at approximately 8 p.m. Dec. 30 and smash the rear window of a parked vehicle.

Using a description of the vehicle and a partial Michigan license plate number provided by the homeowner, Chelsea Police Officer Matthew Francis found the suspected vehicle, a white Pontiac.

Two Chelsea teens sitting in the car confessed to damaging the vehicle and to breaking another vehicle window the same night.

Chelsea Police Officer Jeff Stabler re-interviewed the teens Dec. 31, at which time they confessed to breaking windows at Beach Middle School, windows on two cars in Stockbridge and windows on a car in Ann Arbor.

Chelsea police filed court petitions against both suspects, who reside in Sylvan and Lima townships.

Police Sgt. Rod Salzer said Monday that some of the vehicle owners did not report the property damage. The juveniles are not Chelsea School District students, Salzer said.

Counterfeit Money

An assistant manager at Polly's Market called Chelsea police to report that a \$20 counterfeit bill had been passed at the store Jan. 16. The bill was discovered to be counterfeit when it was being counted in the store office.

The register where the bill was passed was not in view of

a security camera. A store employee reported that a white female with brown hair in her mid-30s passed the bill at approximately 5 p.m. Jan. 16 along with other bills to make purchases. The \$20 bill was logged into evidence at Chelsea Police headquarters.

A Flagstar Bank employee reported that a bank customer passed two \$100 counterfeit bills during a transaction at the bank Jan. 15.

The customer passed the bills while purchasing travelers checks. The bills had the same serial numbers and did not display watermarks.

The customer told bank employees he obtained the bills during a Jan. 13 transaction at the bank, when he cashed a company check. He said he put \$1,780 of the cash in a pocket and didn't use it until Jan. 15, when he purchased the travelers checks.

Chelsea police notified the U.S. Secret Service of the bills. A Secret Service official said several of the same bills with the same serial numbers were also passed in Detroit and Brownstown Township.

Chelsea police logged the bills into evidence, pending further notification by the Secret Service.

Breaking and Entering

An employee at Wags to Whiskers, 1171 S. Main St. in Chelsea, reported that money was missing from a cash register upon opening the store Jan. 14.

Money in the store office was also missing from a desk. A total of \$500 was taken.

A Chelsea police investigation found that a lock assembly had been pried and rotated to open a rear door on the west side of the store. No fingerprints or video were available to identify suspects in the burglary.

Forced Entry Burglary

Chelsea police were dispatched to Divine Java, 1159 S. Main St., the morning of Jan. 14 to respond to a breaking and entering report.

A store employee reported she was unable to fit a key into a lock on the rear door of the business at 6:15 a.m.

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Spreading Cheer

Fifth- and sixth-graders at South Meadows Elementary School in Chelsea donated mittens, hats, gloves and socks on the school's Mitten Tree to give to the needy as part of a Student Council project. Pictured are Andrew Cerveny (left), Ashley Ball, Adam Burman, Ben Doll, Erik Shackelford and Andrew Sweat.

DEXTER-CHELSEA

Lobzun recruits

Senior Airman Shane Lobzun is now an Air Force recruiter in Ann Arbor, serving the Chelsea and Dexter area.

Lobzun is a recent graduate of the Air Force Recruiting School in San Antonio, where he was trained in various areas of study, including the job classification system, testing, enlistment processing procedures and public speaking.

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OTHER VOICES

Governor should learn she can't please everyone

Being nice is nice, but being too nice can make one look ineffective and unable to get a nasty job done.

The Jennifer Granholm vs. Tom Watkins story provides glaring proof of that notion.

Since last May, the governor has wanted Watkins, the state school superintendent, to find another job.

For nine months she has waited for him to gracefully leave, but he doggedly professes to stay around for a "good time to come."

Being too nice can make you look ineffective.

In fairness, governors are just like most of us. It's tough to fire anybody. You want to be sensitive to their egos, reputation and feelings.

But at some point, if you want a job done, you have to set that aside and get the job done.

Instead of lamely telling the Capitol Press Corps that Watkins was "a valuable member of our cabinet," it would have been exceedingly refreshing for her to admit the obvious: She wants him out for whatever reason.

But that's not what she's doing.

Instead, she nicely invoked the same "valuable member" statement she trotted out in December 2003 when asked about the status of then-welfare director Nanette Bowler. Just afterward, Bowler was fired.

Now we have this charade with Watkins.

Given nine months to bail out, Watkins should have done so quietly, even though the governor technically cannot fire him. The State Board of Education has the power to do that, and the governor controls five Democrats on that board, which is enough to remove him.



TIM SKUBICK

However, Watkins enjoys support from the Democratic Party board president Kathleen Straus and from other segments of the education community, but not all.

Right or wrong, the knock on Watkins is that he's great with the trite sound bite about moving children up the education ladder, but his depth of expertise is the proverbial mile long and a millimeter deep.

Watkins, like the governor, refuses to confirm there is a rift between he and Granholm.

But anybody with half a brain in town has figured out the problem, yet the two principals are unwilling to level with the public.

Ironically all this came up the same day the governor was asked about being too nice.

Not surprisingly, the governor warned correspondents not to "mistake niceness for weakness. I'm committed to getting results."

If so, why is Watkins still here?

Isn't there anybody in the Granholm shop who can deliver an ultimatum?

Pulling the trigger is not easy, but sometimes it is necessary. Perhaps the reluctance in this case is an example of what former House Speaker Rick Johnson revealed as he walked out the door.

He said that the governor "wants to please everyone."

As every governor eventually finds out, that can't be done.

Tim Skubick is a veteran observer of Lansing politics. He hosts the public TV show *Off the Record* and does regular commentary for WWJ Radio 950.

EDITORIAL

It's time to say goodbye

They say only fools fall in love. If that's true, then you can call me twice the fool because I've fallen twice in the last year — once with a guy and again with a town.

Pretty amazing statistics, seeing as how I've never had close bonds to any person or place before.

I'll try to spare everyone the details about the guy because, believe me, once I get started, I'm not easily stopped.

But his name is Mark, and he is all those clichés that he's supposed to be — the person who brings me up when I'm down, the person who makes me laugh when all I want to do is cry or swear, the person who believes in me maybe more than I believe in myself.

We've only dated for a year and much of it has been long distance. To make it work, we've done regular two-hour-long phone calls, monthly weekend trips to see each other and held letter-writing campaigns to each other's homes.

When we started dating, we had tried the short-term thing. I knew he would be leaving, he knew I would be staying. I let it happen, thinking that all good things must come to an end and, quoting one of my favorite artists, I should "make something beautiful while I can."

He moved in June, and for two weeks, we didn't talk. It was horrible.

Then Mark magically appeared in my driveway one day. For a minute, I forgot my name. I forgot his name. I forgot to breathe. I almost crashed my car. I nearly fainted.

When his friend, who was my roommate, saw him, all he had to say was, "Smart move, man. Smart move."

It was the move that changed my life.



MARIA SPROW

When you're young like me, the future is a funny thing. Months can seem like years. The last six months, while they have been very short, have also seemed very long.

Suffice it to say, it's amazing how unexpectedly love comes about, and how hard it is to make it go away.

Of course, I could say the same thing about this town and this job. Over my short six months here, I've enjoyed covering exhibits at the

Chelsea Center for the Arts as well as ghosts and duck hunters at the Purple Rose Theatre.

I've enjoyed meeting local movers and shakers — the township board members who work so diligently to keep the area's character alive.

And I've enjoyed meeting the residents here — authors, artists, business owners and parents. I've received thank-you cards from some; trust me, those cards are coming to Texas with me.

Oh right, Texas.

I guess I forgot to mention at the beginning that this is a goodbye column. Yes, I have to go. Love awaits.

But I have a proposal for you: Will you come, too?

There's lots of open space in Texas, and I'm sure Chelsea can find a nice, cozy home down there. Think about it, the weather is much warmer and there is no income tax.

So, are you with me?

No, you say?

It's OK. I understand. Now that I've gotten to know Chelsea, I can't think of any reason to leave, either.

Oh, except for love. People will do the cra-

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STREET TALK

By Rita Fischer

What do you think of the people who have shot lasers at commercial airplanes?



"I think that with everything going on with the terrorist threats, it's a foolish thing to do."
Janell Martin
Chelsea



"I hope that it's kids being stupid, and that it should all be investigated."
Chris Montgomery
Chelsea



"In this day and age, why would anyone find it entertaining to threaten the lives of others?"
Vicki Lovell
Webster Township



"I think that they should be arrested. They should know better than to do a prank like that with what is going on in the world."
Jocelyn Harwood
Dexter Township

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BY BILL MANGOLD

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OTHER VOICES

Use private funds to expand Cobo Hall

The North American International Auto Show is under way at Cobo Hall in Detroit, and the Big Three's market share in this country is at an all-time low.

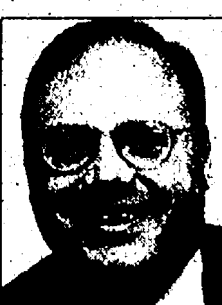
Meanwhile, the city of Detroit is trying to rally the region to pay for an expansion of Cobo Hall, something the auto show exhibitors claim is needed. They say it's necessary if the premier event of its kind is to remain in the Motor City.

There are several convention centers as much as three times larger than Cobo Hall. The leading trio is in Orlando, Las Vegas and Chicago — all top travel destinations.

Chicago announced it will expand McCormick Place by 700,000 square feet, the size of Cobo's main exhibit space now. Regional taxes on hotel rooms, restaurant meals and so forth will pay for the project.

Tourism experts say the key to attracting conventions is that a center must be in a place people already would like to visit, like Las Vegas. A thriving nightlife and cultural attractions are a key draw. Chicago shares Detroit's chilly seasons, but the Motor City, even including suburban amenities, is overshadowed.

Maybe the Big Three automakers, one already foreign-owned, have not offered to help pay for a Cobo expansion for a reason. Maybe the Germans, Japanese and, increasingly, Korean automakers will decide which auto show in the United States gets the most attention, new models



KARL ZIOMEK

and the honest claim to flagship status.

If Cobo Hall didn't exist, would any one seriously sug-

gest it be built now? As it is, it attracts only a few shows a year — the auto extravaganza, Autorama and the Society of Automotive Engineers — that fill its space. It certainly could use more.

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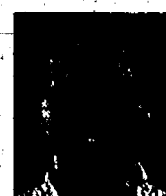
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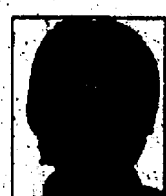
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LOVE

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ziest things for love. They will leave their homes, their jobs, their friends, their families. That's crazy, right?

Crazy, scary — it's all the same.

I realize I'll be broken-hearted over losing you long after you'll cease to remember my name.

That's just one of those things about small-town reporting. You go in, you start off getting your feet wet and soon your entire body is drenched in the community.

As a reporter, you are

always a part of something much larger than yourself.

Both The Chelsea Standard and the town itself have seen many just like me come and go, and those reporters soon become just a line written in history. But the town — and this paper — will forever be a chapter of my life where I grew as a person and a writer.

It's a shame the chapter has to end early, but the book is to be continued, and curiosity is killing me.

So the next chapter begins. Staff Writer Maria Sprow can be reached at 475-1371 and mspro@heritage.com until Friday.



SPILL

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said, resulting in widespread power outages east of Main Street.

In turn, the power interruption caused one of two pumps at Veterans' Park to go off line last Wednesday.

When power was restored to the pump last Thursday, Steklac said, it sent an amount of sewage to the Wastewater Treatment Plant that overwhelmed a plant sewer line.

The excess sewage expelled through manhole covers on plant grounds, he said.

The power interruption, combined with excess water being fed into downspouts in certain areas of the city by the excessively wet weather,

caused the overflow, Steklac said.

"It was something that happened because of the very wet weather we were having, and the large amount of sewage in the system at that particular moment," he said.

Steklac said the city notified the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality of the spill and immediately corrected the problems that led to the incident.

Cleanup of the sewage wasn't called for, he said.

"There's a variety of techniques that can be used, but due to the location, the weather and the ground conditions, it wasn't necessary to do any clean-up," Steklac said.

Steklac added that while the line feeding into the plant was overflowed, the plant itself was not overwhelmed.

Steklac characterized the overflow as a relatively small spill.

He said the overflow was not caused by any staffing deficiencies at the plant.

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Mike Steklac
City Manager

STOCKBRIDGE

Schoenberg ends training

Airman Christopher Schoenberg, a 2004 graduate of Stockbridge High School, has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

He is the son of Dale Schoenberg of Stockbridge and grandson of Don

Schoenberg of Chelsea.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches; and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and

special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate's degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Schoenberg earned distinction as an honor graduate.

EXPAND

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ed to about half the size of Cobo, handles most gatherings in the region. About 40 percent of convention centers nationally are privately owned.

Detroit has three essentially Vegas-based casinos that are under pressure to build hotels and permanent gambling facilities here. One or more could buy and expand Cobo for the same reason the Sands owns a hall. A hotel with lots of the small meeting rooms for conventions increases demand under the

same overall roof as an exhibit hall and casino could make Detroit a more competitive destination.

There is no way what already is a high-cost region for businesses should be tapped again for Cobo-expansion taxes. If Cobo is to be expanded — and it should be — it should be accomplished with private funding.

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Photo by Allison Marable

Hands-On Fun

Logan Marable plays in the snow near his Chelsea home. Temperatures this past week have dipped into the single digits, making kids' time in the snow very short.

CHELSEA SCHOOLS

Geography Night set

The second PTO district-wide Geography Night will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Jan. 28 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. in Chelsea.

The free event is developed for kindergarten through sixth-grade pupils and their families.

Geography Night's goal is to help children develop a broader awareness of their world, develop an interest in geography, and have some fun while they're at it.

Upon entering the event, families receive a passport folder that prompts them to "tour the world," visiting "continents" housed in class-

rooms, playing international games in the gym, enjoying international entertainment in the auditorium, as well as other activities.

The theme for this year is "Extreme Edition!" Some of the highlights of the evening will include the music and dancing of Like Water Drumworks and Dance, the lively tunes of the Middle School Fiddlers, an ancient history museum created by a number of sixth-graders and an opportunity to meet a number of people from around the world.

In addition, there will be displays of projects, and a raffle with prizes from

Cranesbill Books, Michigan Central Hobby and National Geographic.

For more information, call Jenny Miller at 475-7811 or e-mail jennymiller3@netzero.com.

POLICE

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The employee reported money missing from a cash register and from two moneybags located in a back room.

A total of \$1,330 in bills was reported stolen. Coins at the store were not stolen.

A police investigation found that a pointed instrument was used to force back a spring latch on the back door.

The case is closed because of a lack of investigative leads. Chelsea police advised the storeowners about making corrective security measures to avoid future robberies.

General Assistance

A resident reported to police that a woman was walking down Main Street Jan. 13 in her pajamas and bare feet. Chelsea police brought the woman to headquarters for identification, but she did not verbally respond to questions.

The woman was described as between 35 and 45 years old, with blond hair, wearing a gray T-shirt and pajama bottoms, with scabs on her left arm.

She was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital for medical and physiological evaluations.

Driving Violations

A Chelsea Police officer stopped a speeding car driven by a 17-year-old Chelsea resident at the intersection of Hayes and North streets Jan. 12.

The juvenile was found to be driving with a suspended license. She also had three driver's licenses in her name. She told police one was old and the other was a re-issue for the lost license.

The juvenile was taken to

Chelsea police headquarters, where she called for a ride.

Property Damage

Beach Middle School Principal Andrew Ingall reported vandalism at the school Jan. 7.

Three rooms in the north-east corridor of the school were damaged. The rooms were not locked because of special maintenance circumstances stemming from a flood.

Although students would have had access to the room all day, two girls were missing from a swim practice during the day, Ingall said.

The damage was first discovered at 4:30 p.m. Instructional props, displays and trophies were destroyed. Silly string had been discharged on lockers, a television and classroom floors.

Police took the trophy for fingerprint evidence and also took a strand of hair for evidence. The hair was found hanging from a piece of tape that was pieced together on a dry board to spell out the word "jaw."

Compiled by staff writers Steve Ricci and Maria Sprow based on reports filed with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department and Chelsea



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Contest Winners

The seven weeklies in the Western Region of Heritage Newspapers invited youngsters to enter the Christmas Coloring Contest sponsored by local businesses. Pictured are winners Lauren Eisen (front) of Ypsilanti, Ian Burns of Saline and Mario Plachta of Northville. All three winners received \$25 checks for their artistic accomplishments.

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prosecution theorized that Bulson, who was also drinking at the party, took advantage of the woman knowing she was unable to respond or to tell the difference between Francis and Bulson. Nichols said Monday that his trial theory was the woman "was embarrassed about being caught by her longtime friend, Matt Francis, and thus pretended to be shocked that someone else was in the room when Francis awoke."

Additional testimony alleged that the woman exposed herself to Bulson and another man at the party, that the woman disappeared into a bathroom for a half-hour with a man at the party and that Francis' father took the woman to a hospital, said Nichols.

Grass Lake resident Dale Fisher, Bulson's grandfather, said Monday that the trial has caused great difficulty for Bulson's family, including costing about \$50,000 in legal fees — some of which Fisher said he paid for.

"We all knew Andy was not guilty from the beginning," Fisher said. "It put his mother through 15 months of agony. This whole thing was a major injustice, and it inflicted lots of grief on the family."

Both Fisher and Nichols said they didn't know if Bulson planned to go back to work at the Chelsea Police Department, where he is currently suspended from duty without pay.

Chelsea Police Chief Scott Sumner could not be reached this week for comment regarding Bulson's future with the police department.

Bulson declined to comment Monday about the case or his future plans.

"I think Andy plans to relax, spend time with his family and reflect on what he's been through," Nichols said Friday. "I think it's been very trying for him and his family. There is a mental and emotional stain that is not going to leave this man."

"Andrew Bulson can have his life back, but it's never going to be the same."

Nichols said Friday that he was proud to be a part of the trial-by-jury process.

"I appreciate the jury for giving their time. They're the ultimate finders of fact, and it's not an easy thing to do," he said.

Nichols added, however, that he wasn't interested in denigrating the alleged victim's character.

"The alleged victim should not be dragged through the mud," Nichols said. "She claimed what she did, the jury has spoken and everybody should try to move on as best as they can."

BOARD

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dates to wait until July to take office, which would in turn create extended "lame duck" terms for some existing board members.

The Washtenaw County Clerk's Office will determine where the Board of Education polling sites will be set up, said Pratt, adding that it's possible that the city of Chelsea could be designated to run the election.

The Chelsea School District has more than 12,000 registered voters, while the new election law says only 2,999 voters can be in one precinct, Pratt said, meaning that at least five precincts would need to be created for Chelsea School District voters, who would nevertheless all vote at the same polling site.

Past Board of Education elections typically saw turnouts of fewer than 1,000 voters, Pratt said.

Board of Education hopefuls must obtain a minimum of 40 signatures on a petition from registered voters in the school district, and must sign affidavits of identity at the Washtenaw County Clerk's Office.

Anyone interested in running for Board of Education

seats may attend meeting 6:30 p.m. Monday at Pierce Lake Elementary School, 275 N. Freer Road.

During the meeting, prospective candidates may talk to current Board of Education members about the election process, as well as the job duties of board members.

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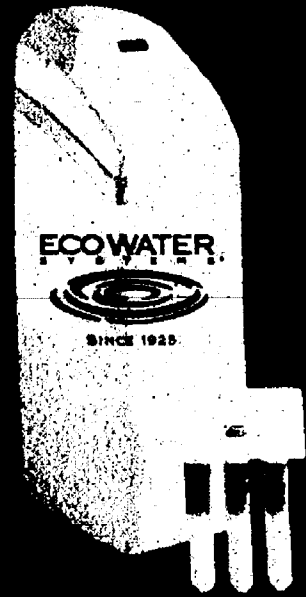
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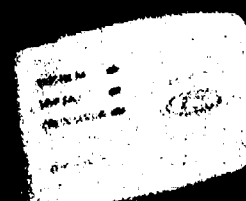
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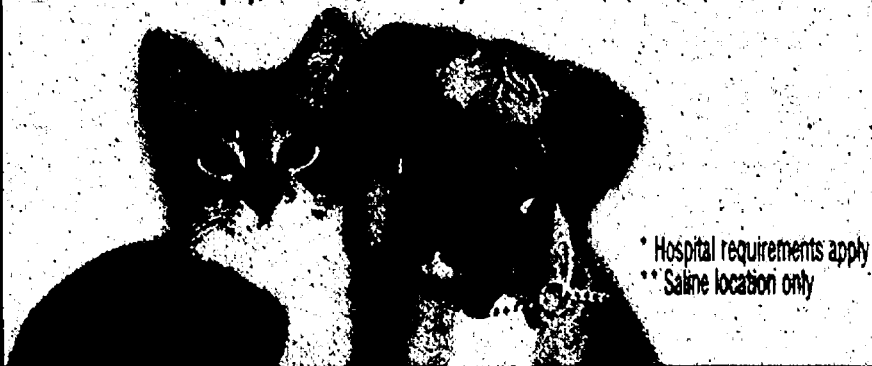
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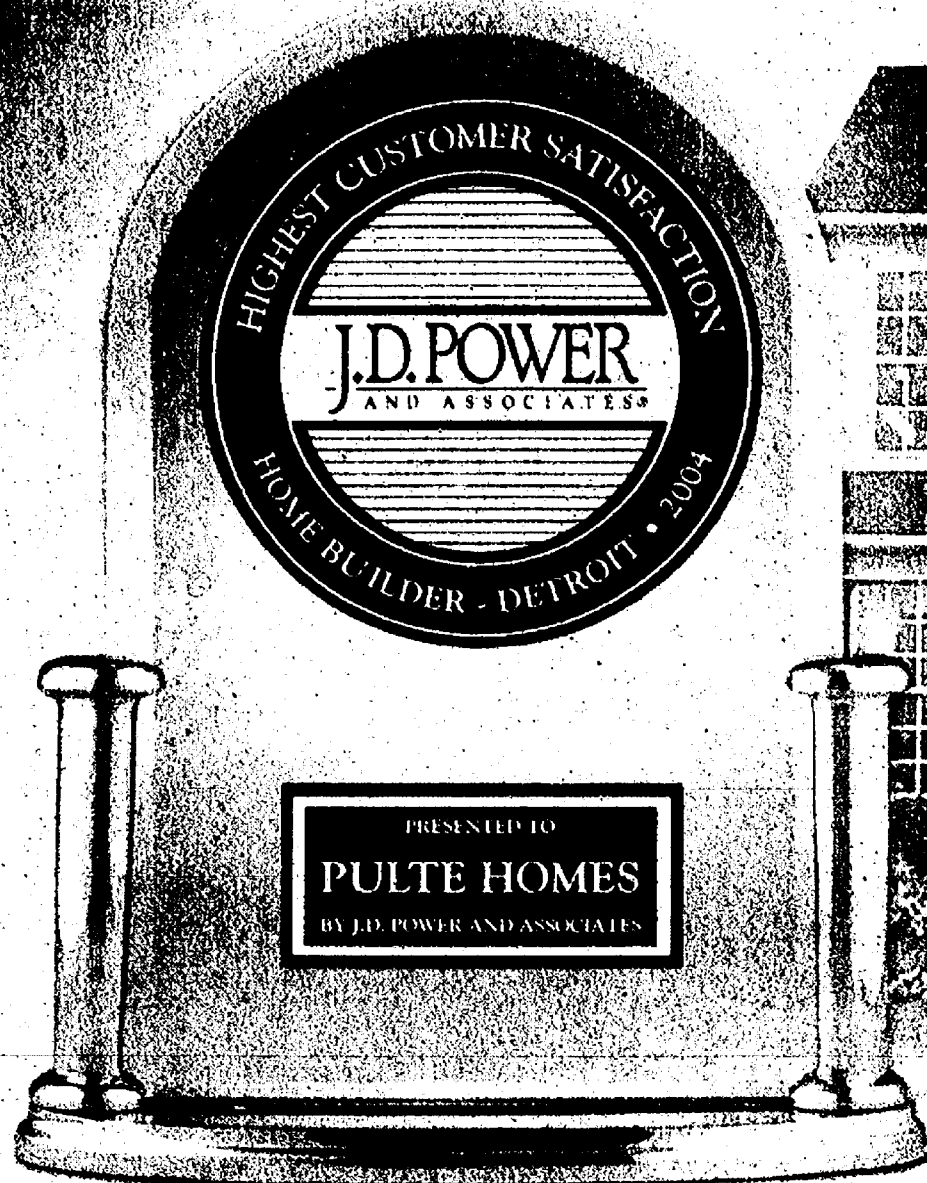
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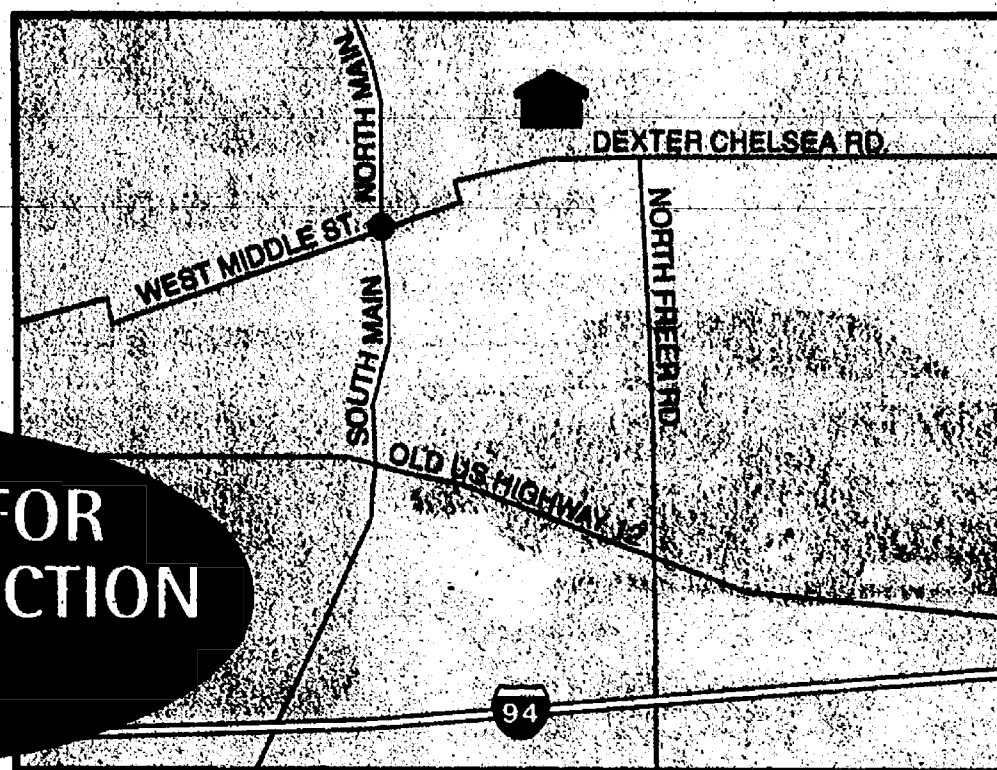
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Scouts in Troop 442 were recognized at a Court of Honor ceremony. In back are Louis Fead, Eric Gamble, Andy Kish, Jake Simonds, John Brundage, Ryan Hodgman and Steven Blair; center, Luke Hosford, Ted Hauke, Chris Swartzberger, Colin Clegg, Jamie Sirvaitis and Jeremy Loy; in front, Ben Smith, Max Overholser, Dorian Scott, Travis Chaffee, Craig Loy, Ben Wilson and Derek Fead

DEXTER

Troop holds Court of Honor

Boy Scout Troop 442 of Dexter held a Court of Honor in November, recognizing Scouts who achieved rank advancements and earned numerous merit badges.

Twenty-two different merit badges were awarded. Thirteen Scouts achieved the rank of Tenderfoot. Derek Fead and Craig Loy also became 2nd Class Scouts. Jeremy Loy made Star Scout rank, and Andy Kish and Jake Simonds achieved Life Scout rank.

Troop Scoutmaster Mike O'Keefe outlined the accomplishments of the troop in 2004, including attendance at Lost Lake Summer

Camp, at a Camporee and at winter and spring troop campouts.

Highlights of the year were the High Adventure Weekend trip to West Virginia, where the troop did whitewater rafting and rock climbing, and the high ropes experience at the Howell Nature Center.

The troop also engaged in numerous community service activities.

Troop 442 is sponsored by American Legion Post 557.

—By Louis Fead
Troop 442 Scribe

ANN ARBOR

Jaycees to hold bridal event

The Ann Arbor Jaycees will hold its first Bridal Show fund-raiser from noon to 5 p.m. March 20 at the Holiday Inn, North Campus.

Area bridal and tux salons will showcase their latest fashions in two separate shows at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

In between the fashion shows, local vendors will be available to discuss and

demonstrate all aspects of wedding planning, including florists, cake decorators, DJs and reception ideas. Door prizes are available for those who attend. Admission will be \$5 at the door. No advanced registration is required.

The Ann Arbor Jaycees is looking for local vendors who provide services or products

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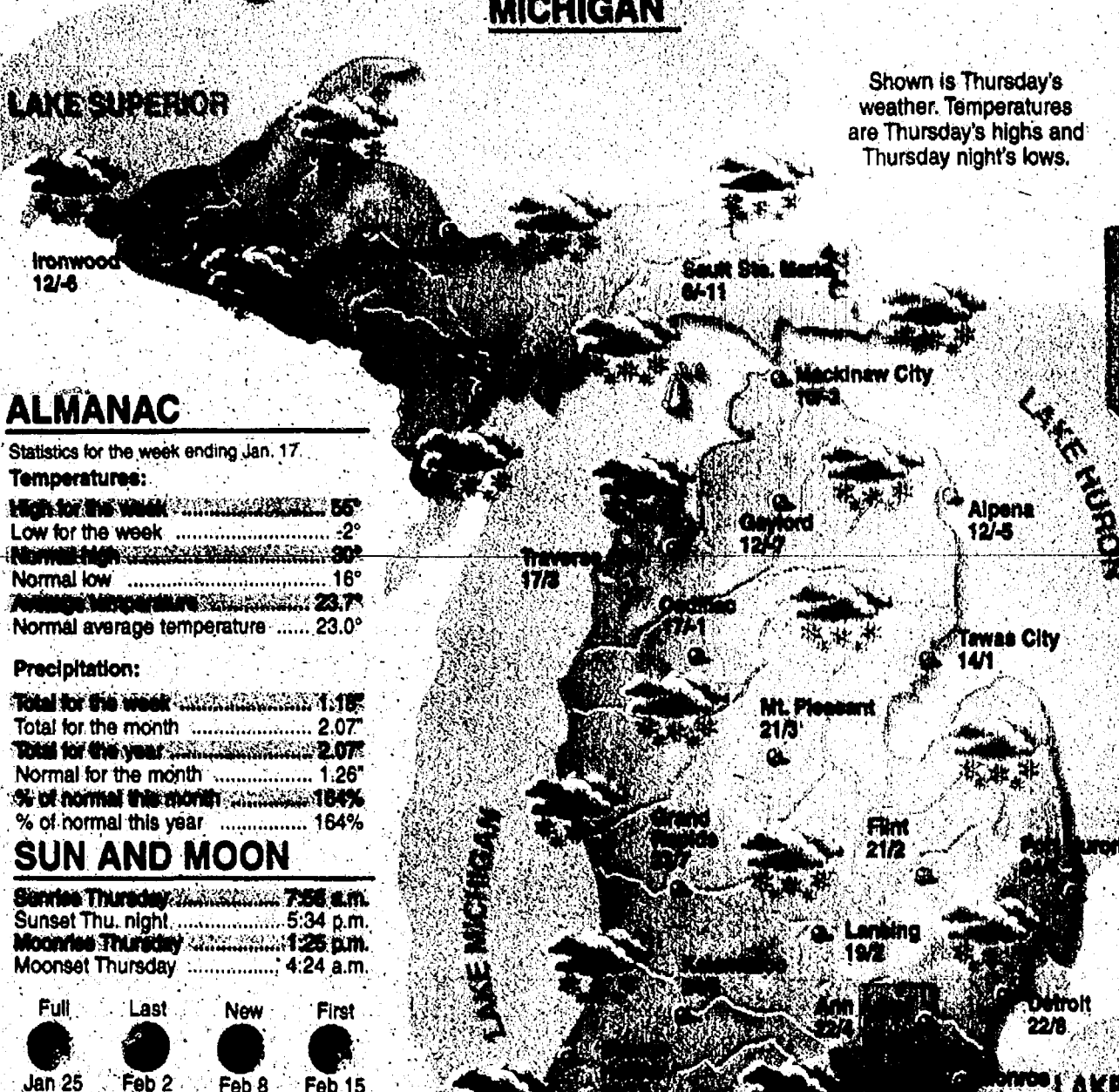
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THURSDAY	THU NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HIGH: 22°-26° Mostly cloudy with some snow.	LOW: 2°-6° Partly cloudy.	HIGH: 16°-20° Mostly cloudy, afternoon flurries. LOW: 2°-6°	HIGH: 14°-18° Frigid with snow possible. LOW: 6°-10°	HIGH: 18°-22° Mostly cloudy with flurries. LOW: 8°-12°	HIGH: 22°-26° Partly sunny. LOW: 10°-14°

MICHIGAN



Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows.

ALMANAC

Statistics for the week ending Jan. 17.

Temperatures:

High for the week: 55°
Low for the week: 2°
Normal for the week: 30°
Normal low: 16°
Average temperature: 23.7°
Normal average temperature: 23.0°

Precipitation:

Total for the week: 1.18"
Total for the month: 2.07"
Normal for the month: 1.26"
% of normal this month: 184%
% of normal this year: 164%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday: 7:58 a.m.
Sunset Thursday: 5:34 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday: 1:25 p.m.
Moonset Thursday: 4:24 a.m.

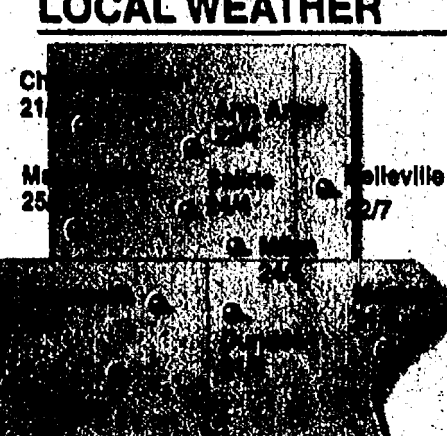
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City	Thur. H/L	Fri. H/L
Ann Arbor	22/14	18/4
Battle Creek	24/5	18/7
Bay City	18/3	12/6
Coldwater	26/6	17/8
Dearborn	22/8	17/9
Detroit	22/8	18/8
Grand Rapids	23/7	14/7
Holland	26/10	17/10
Jackson	22/6	18/4
Kalamazoo	24/6	14/7
Lansing	19/2	16/4
Livonia	23/8	17/7
Midland	20/4	15/6
Monroe	21/8	16/7
Muskegon	25/10	17/11
Pontiac	19/3	14/5
Port Huron	24/6	18/5
Saginaw	18/3	12/5
Sault Ste. Marie	6/-11	5/-9
Sturgis	26/5	17/8
Troy	18/3	8/0
Traverse City	17/3	11/5
Warren	23/8	17/10

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Highest Friday: 47°
Highest Saturday: 48°
Highest Sunday: 50°

SOLUNAR TABLE

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

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
THU 12:40	THU 1:51	FRI 12:40	FRI 1:51
FRI 12:40	FRI 1:51	SAT 12:40	SAT 1:51
SAT 12:40	SAT 1:51	SUN 12:40	SUN 1:51
SUN 12:40	SUN 1:51	MON 12:40	MON 1:51

UV INDEX

Forecast for Thursday: 1-2
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.

WORLD CITIES

City	Thur. H/L	Fri. H/L
Acapulco	88/69	85/71
Algiers	61/42	66/47
Amsterdam	50/41	45/36
Athens	54/40	57/40
Auckland	68/57	71/57
Bangkok	89/71	91/74
Barbados	86/70	86/68
Beijing	36/16	34/18
Beluit	63/52	67/53
Belgrade	37/30	43/33
Berlin	40/31	38/30
Bogota	68/52	70/53
Buenos Aires	81/59	86/63
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Nairobi	86/57	86/55
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Panama	88/71	86/72
Paris	63/49	62/48
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Santiago	60/44	58/43
San Juan	80/70	82/72
Sao Paulo	68/55	68/53
Seoul	21/7	30/17
Singapore	88/77	87/77
Stockholm	34/27	31/21
Sydney	63/44	62/43
Taipei	39/25	43/31
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Vancouver	51/40	47/42
Vienna	38/24	37/23
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Anchorage	60/38	60/38	Burlington, VT	18/3	8/9	Duluth	6/-9	0/0	Lansing, KY	38/23	38/16
Atlanta	26/18	30/23	Casper	54/36	46/23	El Paso	64/40	62/38	Lincoln	40/20	39/20
Atlanta City	39/15	35/30	Cedar Rapids	30/4	20/11	Fairbanks	9/-10	24/0	Little Rock	62/50	60/44
Austin	74/43	70/44	Charleston, SC	58/35	52/29	Fargo	15/-8	24/0	Los Angeles	81/53	78/53
Baltimore	38/18	26/10	Charleston, WV	33/19	28/14	Flagstaff	58/29	54/24	Louisville	38/24	38/16
Baton Rouge	58/46	62/43	Charlotte	50/29	46/29	Fort Wayne	26/12	18/10	Madison	26/4	18/9
Billings	58/36	46/30	Chicago	62/34	54/25	Gary	32/9	21/13	Mankato	68/58	68/58
Birmingham	58/36	48/33	Cincinnati	24/10	16/8	Green Bay	16/-2	14/8	Miami	72/55	74/57
Bismarck	25/5	21/8	Cleveland	34/16	24/12	Helena	50/28	43/20	Minneapolis	23/9	18/13
Boeing	37/13	27/17	Columbia, MO	42/20	40/24	Honolulu	82/70	79/66	Mobile	16/10	23/4
Boise	48/30	44/30	Columbus, OH	26/12	22/10	Houston	70/48	68/48	Nashville	52/26	38/24
Boston	39/10	17/5	Dallas	70/42	64/43	Indianapolis	32/13	26/14	New Orleans	58/45	60/46
Brownsville	74/55	76/55	Davenport	33/5	21/12	Jackson	42/28	44/26	New York	36/16	23/10

COMMUNITY

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Made with Love

Volunteers make afghans for needy

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Alice Gall has a talent for weaving yarn into beautiful afghans and a passion for passing on her know-how.

While members of local senior centers are reaping the benefits through her knitting classes, the needy are benefiting by receiving the goods.

"I sleep well knowing that I am still healthy enough to help anyone that needs the help," says Gall, a former Dexter Township resident who now lives in Ann Arbor. "I keep doing this because of my faith in God almighty."

Seniors, from Dexter to Chelsea and Saline to Milan, have joined together to help make afghans for those less fortunate than themselves. Gall has spearheaded the effort, and has received donations of yarn, needles and hooks. She even gets offers from others willing to teach knitting and crocheting for free so more afghans can be made.

Members of the group get to know each other while they knit 7-by-9 squares into beautiful afghans for veterans, needy families and nursing home residents. In addition, some of the blankets have gone to an Indian reservation in South Dakota.

Gall, a member to St. Paul United Church

of Christ in Saline, said the idea to knit for the needy came from a fellow parishioner. Twenty women showed up one day in Saline, and the idea caught on from there.

Gall finds yarn donations and takes them to area churches so that the yarn can be made into squares for afghans. She also has been given partially finished blankets and has taken them to her volunteers to complete.

So much yarn was donated at that first group meeting in Saline that Gall was able to take the excess to other churches, as well as the Dexter Senior Center. She ended up joining the Dexter center and later introduced knitting classes.

Gall enjoys sharing her gifts.

"A woman who used to own a popular men's store in Ann Arbor at one time even enjoys helping," Gall says. "Mrs. Hazel Fiegel, even in her 90s, does her part to help. She gets up in the morning to make squares, and it gives her something to do each day that is worthwhile. Her daughter says that she really looks forward to making the squares."

So far, the group has made about 35 quilts. Some quilts have been sent as far away as Pine Ridge, S.D., to the second poorest place in the United States. The Indian reservation there had a need, so Gall made sure some of the quilts got there through a church in Ann Arbor.

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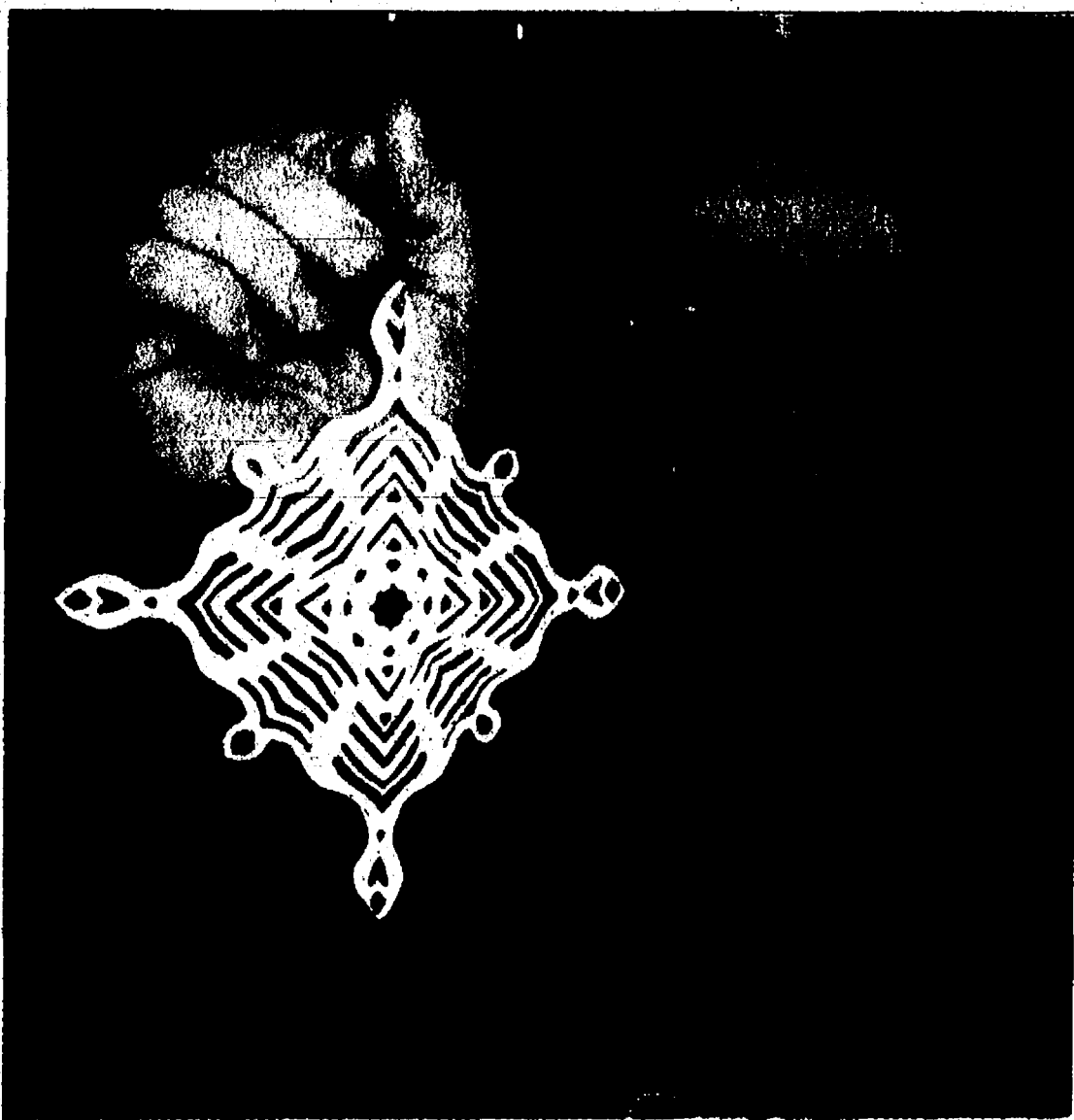


Photo by Rita Fischer

Alice Gall, formerly of Dexter Township, shares her talent for weaving yarn into beautiful afghans with local senior citizens. She donates the afghans to the needy.

Peter Katakowski of Dexter Township has made more than 100 snowflakes since taking up the hobby four years ago. Customers at Polly's Market in Chelsea see his intricate designs decorating the store.

Photo by Rita Fischer



DEXTER TOWNSHIP

Paper snowflakes become Peter Katakowski's passion

Chelsea High School grad hangs creations at Polly's Market

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

About four years ago, Peter Katakowski of Dexter Township had a break at work and took an old cash register receipt and trimmed it into a tiny, intricate snowflake.

Who would have guessed that that one moment in time would turn into years of joy for him and others?

"I was bored on my break and just took out my little knife I use at work and cut out a snowflake. It just sort of happened," he said.

To date, he has more than 100 snowflakes to his name.

Katakowski graduated from Chelsea High School in 1996. Even though he took a few of the required art classes, he doesn't consider himself an artist.

Katakowski says he is often inspired while at work at Polly's Market in Chelsea. On a slow night, during his break, of course, he enjoys seeing what he can create with a piece of paper and a pair of scissors.

"I used to make them out of cash register receipts," he said. "It was handy at the time. It's fun, though my hand does get cramped for the big ones."

Katakowski has since moved on to printer paper and origami paper to make his intricate designs. The easy ones take just his break time. The more detailed ones, about 7 inches square, can take up to three hours to get them just so.

The art of making paper snowflakes has been around for years. There are four basic forms of real snowflakes: a needle, hollow column, sector plates and dendrites. Many factors form a real snowflake, but to start with, they are formed when water vapor in the air cools

and condenses into drops of water. Each drop then freezes into a tiny ice crystal. Every snowflake is a collection of snow crystals.

Snowflakes can consist of two snow crystals or hundreds of snow crystals. They are frozen water molecules that bond to each other, forming microscopic symmetrical shapes with equal parts.

Katakowski cuts out the intricate symmetrical paper snowflakes using tiny scissors on a Swiss army knife. When he wants more detail, he uses an Exacto knife.

Rarely does he ever make two snowflakes exactly the same. Even when he copies them, they still are a tiny bit different.

Katakowski says he prefers making bigger snowflakes because of the challenges they pose.

"The better the detail, the more appealing to the eye," he said. "I copied a big one that is hanging at the store

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STATE

Jack-of-all-trades adds author to title

Cyndi Targosz writes 'Ten Minute Tone-Ups for Dummies'

By Klint Lowry
Heritage Newspapers

Right about now, countless people are diving headfirst into new fitness programs, determined that 2005 will be the year they finally get into shape.

Ah, January, when hope springs eternal.

By the time spring actually arrives, countless people will have given up on their fitness quests, reciting the classic excuses: exercise is too complicated, too expensive and there just isn't enough time.

Fear not, self-defeatists. Help is on the way. Cyndi's back in town.

Cyndi Targosz has been a self-styled jack-of-all-trades her entire life.

"I've done so many different things," she said. "I was an auto show model. I was a radio personality with WNIC. An actress — I used to be with a group, The Singing Dolls."

Along with her show business endeavors, she also has a degree in pathology, anatomy and physiology, with which she has added fitness and lifestyle training and motivational speaking to her repertoire and started her own production company, Starglow Productions.

"I juggle a lot of things at the same time," Targosz said. "I've never had a 9-to-5 my entire life."

Now she can add "author" to her resume.

Targosz is back in Michigan beginning a tour promoting her first book, "Ten Minute Tone-Ups for Dummies."

It's the latest in the popular series of yellow-and-black covered paperbacks designed to initiate people into topics that are new to them.

In many ways it was a fit-



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ting way for Targosz to begin this new venture.

"Writing a book was never my life's ambition," she acknowledged. "I was doing a lot of motivational speaking. It was suggested that I do a book."

"Without really taking it all that seriously, I did write a proposal for a book."

"In less than a year I landed an agent and three book deals with two different publishers."

Her agent pitched her proposal to the publishers of the "for Dummies" series, and they bought it.

Then it was just a matter of writing it. It wasn't until she started that Targosz realized what a challenge that could be.

"This is my first book, and I

have to laugh, because when I got the job I thought, 'Oh my God, 400 pages,'" she said.

She found the experience to be one of self-discovery. First there was the discipline needed for someone of her outgoing nature to spend that much time on a very solitary task.

She also didn't realize how much fitness knowledge she had accumulated until she started putting it all down on paper.

"I've always been into fitness my whole life," she said.

In college she was a fitness instructor at a health club. All through her modeling and acting days, she continued to build upon her degree, becoming certified with the American Council

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Thursday, Jan. 20

A scrapbooking workshop for children ages 8 through 17 will be held 7 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. All supplies are included, but participants should bring six themed photos. The workshop is free, but registration is required by calling 475-8732.

Saturday, Jan. 22

Family Day will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Chelsea Center for the Arts, 400 Congdon St. Tour the exhibition of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, try a hands-on art project, and enjoy mini recitals. The event is free. For more information, call 433-2787.

Ragtime Bob Milne, the top ragtime/boogie-woogie pianist in the country, will present a concert 7 p.m. at the historic Township Hall, Town Square, in Stockbridge. Tickets are \$7. Children five years and younger are admitted for free. For more information, call 1-517-851-8414.

Tuesday, Jan. 25

The Chelsea-Dexter chapter of the American Business Women's Association will hold its monthly dinner meeting 6 p.m. at St. James' Episcopal Church, 3279 Broad St., in Dexter. The meeting will feature "Cooking by Paul and Pat Cousins." To attend or join the group, call Pam O'Hara at 426-8067.

Wednesday, Jan. 26

Chelsea Area Chamber "Business After Hours" will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Sheridan Books, 613 E. Industrial Drive, in Chelsea. The event is an opportunity for area business people to see and hear about the expansion of one of Chelsea's larger businesses. For more information, call 475-1145.

Friday, Jan. 28

Geography Night will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea. The free event will include music and dancing of Like Water Drumworks and Dance, the Middle School Fiddlers, an ancient history museum created by a number of sixth-graders, and a varied display of student projects. For more information, call Jenny Miller at 475-7811.

The Friends of the Chelsea District Library will hold its 15th annual Staff Appreciation dinner 6:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room, 775 S. Main St. Acclaimed poet and novelist Laura Kasischke will be the featured speaker. Tickets are \$25 per person, and reservations may be made by contacting Marie Brooks at 475-8732, ext. 233, or mbrooks@chelsea.lib.mi.us.

Saturday, Jan. 29

Three Men and a Tenor concert will be held 7:30 p.m. in the Chelsea High School auditorium, 740 N. Freer Road. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$15 for adults, and are available at the Chelsea Pharmacy or at the door. Part of the proceeds will benefit Students Against Destructive Decisions.

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.

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

Friends of Chelsea District Library meets on a regular basis. For more information, call Marie Brooks at 475-8732 or Jennifer Kundak at 475-2424.

Senior Book Discussion Club meets 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 Center Great Room. 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.

Mothers of Preschoolers meets 9 a.m. the second Friday of the month October through May at the Chelsea First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Free childcare is available on a limited basis. For information, call 475-8119.

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 to 11 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at Cleary's Pub, 113 S. Main St. Call 475-3874.

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

Sunday

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw

County meets from 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. Call 1-800-852-9781.

Monday

Al-Anon meets 7:30 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St. Call 475-1462.

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

Chelsea Area Garden Club meets noon the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Call 475-1493.

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

Chelsea Senior Nutrition Lunch Program has moved to the cafeteria on the campus of the Old Chelsea High School, 500 East Washington St. Open to the public Monday-Friday at noon. To reserve a lunch call at least one day in advance at 475-9242.

Lima Township Board meets 8 p.m. the second Monday of every month at the Township Hall, 11452 Jackson Road, in Chelsea. 475-2246.

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, 512 E. Washington 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 Computing: One to One workshop is held from 10 a.m. to noon the first and third

Tuesdays each month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. There is no charge, but registration is required. To register or for more information, call 475-8732.

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 475-0487.

Wednesday

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

The Evening Primrose Garden Club meets 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St.

DEXTER

Saturday, Jan. 22

"Almost a Full Moon Hike" will begin 7 p.m. at Independence Lake, 3200 Jennings Road, in Webster Township. Participants should meet at the Beach Center. Hot drinks will be provided around a fire after the hike. The program is free. For more information, call 971-6337, ext. 318.

Monday, Jan. 24 and Tuesday, Jan. 25

The Pinckney Players will hold auditions 6:30 p.m. for children ages eight and older for its upcoming junior production of "Charlotte's

Web" at the Hamburg Elementary School, 10564 Learning Lane, in Hamburg. Those interested should come prepared to recite a nursery rhyme or poem and read from script. For more information, call 1-810-599-4624 or visit the Web site www.geocities.com/pinckneyplayers.

Friday, Jan. 28 and Saturday, Jan. 29

Twin Masks Theatre Co. will present "Namia" 7 p.m. Friday, and 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday at The Jane Tasch Theatre, located at M-36 and McGregor Road, in Pinckney. For ticket information, call 1-517-552-5289 or twinmaskstheatre@hotmail.com.

Saturday, Jan. 29

Maureen Schiffman with her puppet friend CoCo will perform a special show 11 a.m. at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. The program is free and open to everyone. Registration is not required. For more information, call 426-4477.

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, 6225 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.

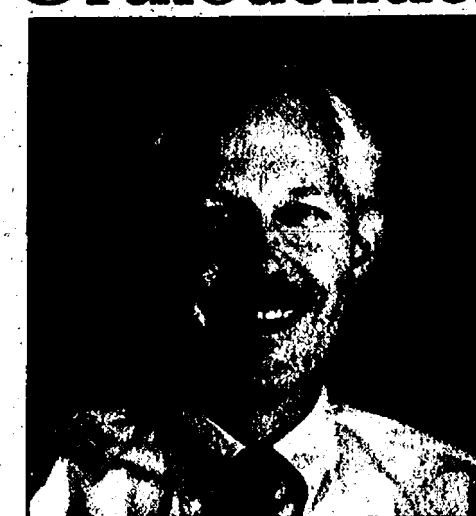
Dexter Historical Society meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St., in Dexter.

Dexter Rotary Club meets 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at The Tuscan House, 7954 Ann Arbor St.

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By Naomi Shihab Nye
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Join your neighbors for an informal discussion! All events are free and held at the library's temporary location, 500 Washington, unless noted.

Special Events and Book Discussions

Fri., Feb. 4 @ 7 pm
Multicultural Film Night

Thu., Feb. 10 @ 7 pm
True Algerian Stories from the Great-Granddaughter of the Emir

Award-winning storyteller Badria Jazairi tells the stories of her ancestor who fought the French in the 1800s and was called the "poet-warrior" by National Geographic. For ages 14 and up.

Wed., Feb. 16 @ 7 pm
America & the Middle East

Join National Endowment for the Humanities scholar Stephen Boyce for a presentation & dialogue on the politics/culture of the region.

Thu., Feb. 17 @ 1:30 pm
Senior Book Discussion Group: The Kite Runner

Wed., Feb. 23 @ 7 pm
Pizza & A Book: Persepolis For adults and teens

Wed., Mar. 2 @ 7pm
Dessert & Discussion: The Kite Runner

Mon., Mar. 7 @ 7 pm
Dessert & Discussion: Habibi For all ages

Wed., Mar. 9 @ 6 pm
Pizza & A Book: Habibi For youth/teens

meet Author Naomi Shihab Nye

Award-winning poet and author, Naomi Shihab Nye will talk about her book, "Habibi," her experiences as an Arab-American, and international understanding.

Book signing will follow. Held at the WSEC auditorium, 500 Washington St. For more information, call 734.475.8732.

Monday, March 14, 7:30 pm
A "must see" event for all ages!

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ENGAGEMENTS



Nickels, Pobojewski to wed

Therese Nickels, daughter of Joseph and Katherine Nickels of Elgin, Ill., and John Pobojewski, son of Daniel and Sally Pobojewski of Chelsea, are planning a July wedding.

The couple plans to exchange marriage vows at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Elgin, Ill.

The future bride is a 1997 graduate of Larkin High School. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Northern Illinois

University in DeKalb, Ill. She is a school psychologist for the Schaumburg Public School District in Schaumburg, Ill.

The future groom is a 1998 graduate of Chelsea High School. He holds undergraduate degrees in percussion performance and visual communications from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Ill. He is a graphic designer for Thirst, a design firm in Barrington, Ill.

DEXTER

Colson named 2nd lieutenant

James Colson, the son of James and Sandra Colson of Dexter, has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force after graduating from Officer Training School at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Ala.

At the base, cadets undergo a demanding 12-week course that trains them to be Air Force officers through an

extensive curriculum comprised of classroom work, lectures, and exercises to develop leadership, team building, and officer skills.

Cadets receive instruction in military training and application, professional knowledge, human behavior, defense studies, leadership studies and management,

communication skills, physical fitness, and field training exercises.

Colson is a navigator assigned to the 562nd Training Squadron at Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio.

The lieutenant graduated in 2002 from the University of Washington in Seattle.

AFGHANS

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Locally, others have benefited. The Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Ann Arbor, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor and residents at nursing homes have received a little love through the handmade quilts.

Since so much time goes into the afghans, Gall is

picky about who gets them. "Sometimes I hear about a little old lady who is cold, or a mother who has nothing for her baby. They have to have a need to get one," she says.

Gall learned to knit four decades ago through 4-H. If she didn't know how to make something, she would find someone who would teach it to the youngsters who came to the Green Clover 4-H Club, formerly of Dexter.

At 79, she keeps young at

heart by staying active. For 36 years, she has sold Amway products and Tupperware.

"I'm not one to do nothing," she says. "I have cleaned houses, been a nanny. You name it, I stick my nose in. I do not plan to ever retire."

To donate yarn, tools or time, call the Dexter Senior Center at 426-7720.

Rita Fischer is a freelance writer. She can be reached at ritafisch@yahoo.com.

PASSION

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using gold paper. It still was not exactly like the first one that I made."

Many Polly's customers enjoy looking at Katakowski's snowflakes while they wait in line.

"I think they are absolutely beautiful," said Katakowski's girlfriend, Lauren Johnson. "He works so hard on them and is so dedicated to making them."

"If he cannot finish them at work, then he brings them home and works on them for hours."

Katakowski has a motto in

life: "If you enjoy doing something, you might as well do it."

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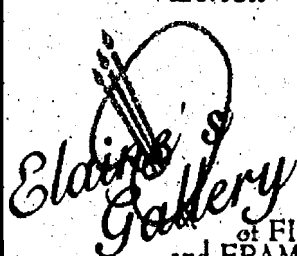
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Poetry and prose from the students in Chelsea

The gentle life

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The golden sun from underneath a sycamore, and the sound of bicycle tires on a dirt road.

I recall bare feet in wet grass, and slipping my feet into warm soil.
The best shoes.
Seeing my hard-work hands, my cracked fingernails, and falling asleep in pumpkin-leaf shade.
And I recall the joy of seeing life, of watch-

ing things grow.

The dust motes in the barn, thicker there than anywhere.

And the taste of the sweat that only comes from hard work.

But most of all, I recall the gentle life, and the feeling that nothing can go wrong.



Evie Morel-Samuels

Evie Morel-Samuels
Eighth Grade
Beach Middle School

A shell by the sea



Nick Hewitt

One day as I was walking,
I heard a voice in the wind.
"Come closer little boy
closer, and I will tell you
tales

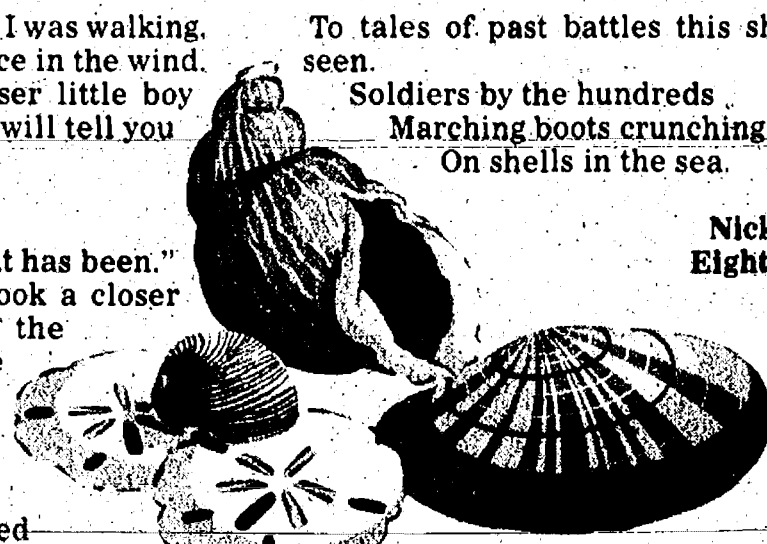
Of war,
And love,
And all that has been."
And as I took a closer
look upon the
body of the
shell,

I noticed tiny little holes
Like bullet wounds water
swishing in and out.

So I moved closer and listened

To tales of past battles this shell has
seen.

Soldiers by the hundreds
Marching boots crunching
On shells in the sea.



Nick Hewitt
Eighth Grade
Beach
Middle
School

I miss you, Grandpa

As I walk into the bright
black doors
I see him with a smile
As I put my knees on the
floor
I prayed so hard
I could see him come back
As I see a tear run down my
cheek
Then another

Then another
They did not stop
In my head I said
I will love you always
You will always be in my
heart
Please look over me,
Grandpa
As I walk away
They always say

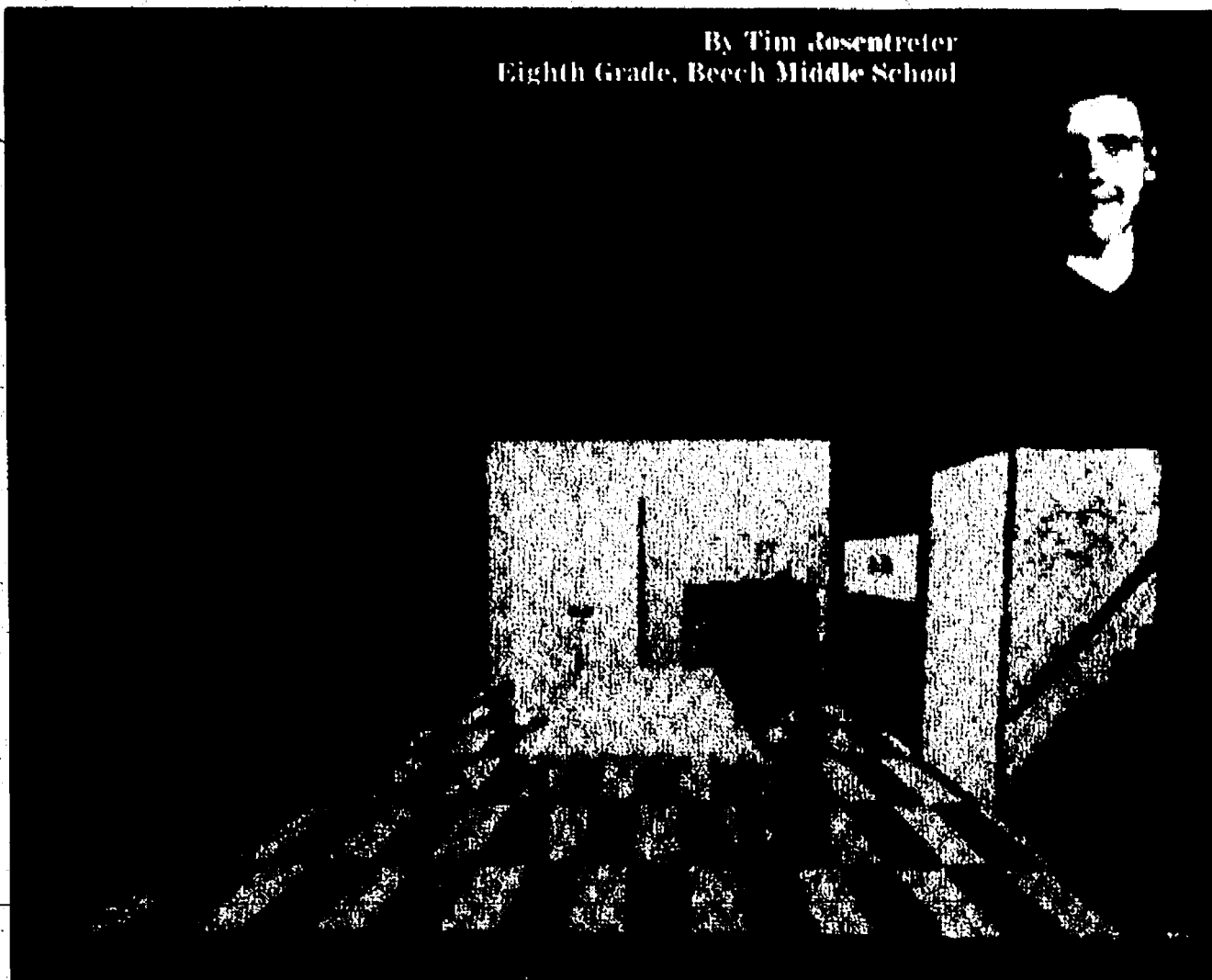
It's bet-
ter up
there
No more
pain
No more
suffering



Anissa Gregg

Anissa Gregg
Eighth Grade
Beach Middle School

By Tim Rosentreter
Eighth Grade, Beech Middle School



Our cabin by the lake

I am from Crooked Lake
From cool, crisp
mornings
And tall
rough bar-
ked trees
With sun
peaking through the leaves
Where the water is cold
and clear
And the sound of birds
singing
And squirrels chattering
Is buzzing in your ear
The taste of tart blackber-
ries

And the smell of sweet
flowers

I am from Crooked Lake,
My home at Crooked Lake
Jessica Tchoryk
Eighth Grade
Beach Middle School

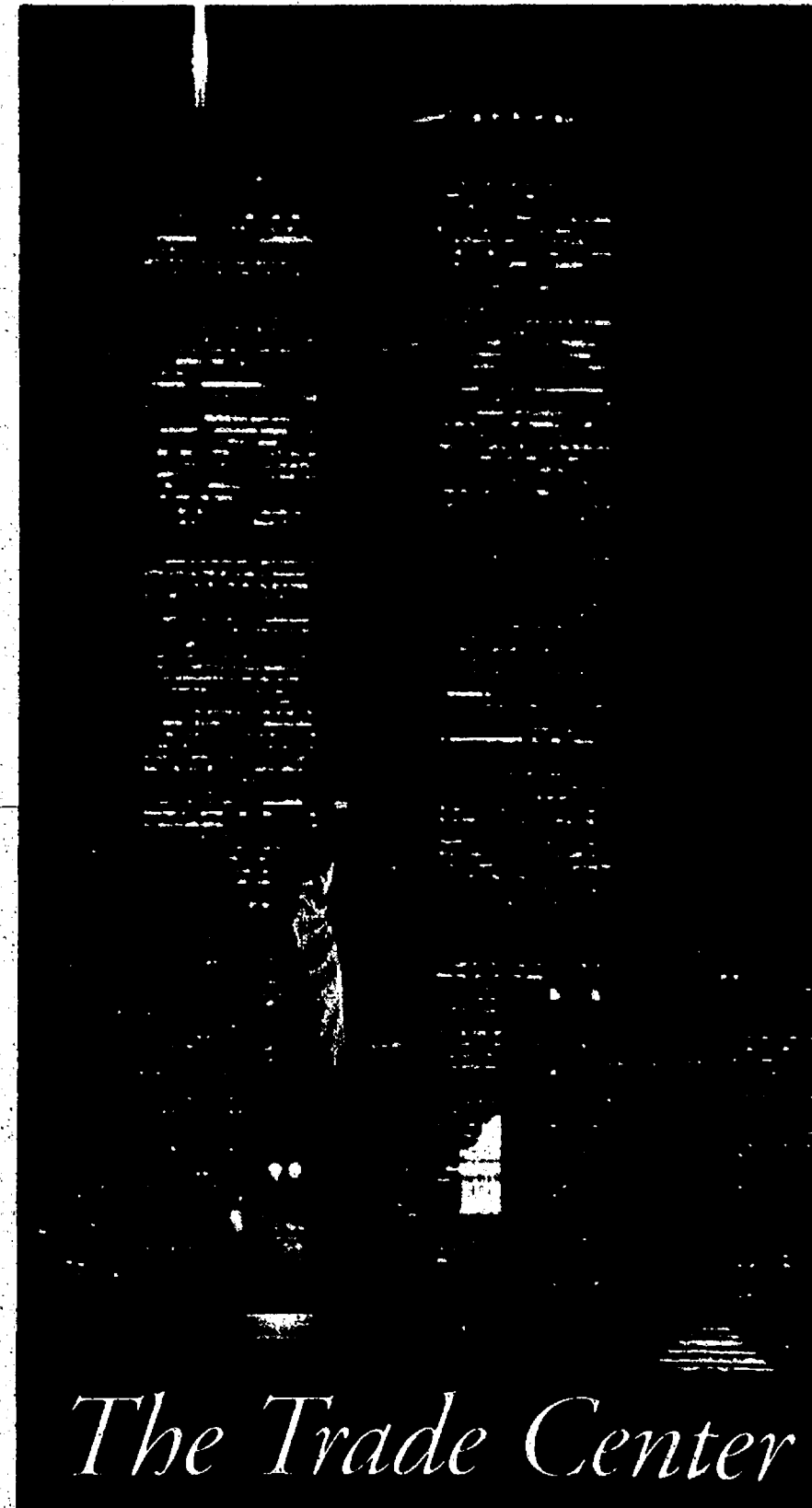


Jessica Tchoryk

Daunted

Here I sit and wonder,
Daunted by it all:
The knowledge in a speck
of dust,
The quick, cold breath of
fall
That I will never be as
great
As those who came before.
And still I think that if I
could,
I would not change me any
more.

Evie Morrel-Samuels
Eighth Grade
Beach Middle School



The Trade Center



Jenny Squires

But why did they tell
The rest?

It fell so
loudly
And yet I
didn't
know
They chose
not to tell
For they
thought
It was the
best.

Till I got home that night,
I didn't know
That it was going to be
Such a big fight.
They had no right
It was a tragedy
That I'll never forget.
The Trade Centers

By Jenny Squires
Eighth Grade
Beach Middle School

AUTHOR

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on Exercise, the Aerobics and fitness Association of America and the American Association of Lifestyle Counselors.

Working with the "for Dummies" people turned out to be a good fit.

"First of all, I'm able to make fitness fun," Targosz said. "There's a touch of humor, which is part of my nature anyway, throughout the whole book."

She also found that while the books are meant to present their material in a sim-

ple way, the publishers are meticulous when it comes to editing.

Being a first-time writer, Targosz said she first found it comforting that they wouldn't let any mistakes through and later that what she submitted was fairly mistake-free.

The majority of the book is divided into how to tone and tighten up different muscle groups.

While she suggests everyone who uses the book should read the introduction, which lays out how to get the most from the book, the rest is split up as a easy reference by which readers

can flip to whichever section they are most concerned with.

"There's a group of what I call fast fitness menus," she said. "You can flip through the menus and select the one that suits your needs."

These are all 10-minute, fast menus.

"I'm not talking about false promises. You're not going to lose 50 pounds in 30 days, but if you have a class reunion coming up, a wedding, you want to come down a dress size, a pants size, you want to tone up certain body parts, this is very realistic."

Besides the exercises, there also are sections on

nutrition, maintaining an exercise regimen while traveling and a section on linking the physical to a positive mental outlook.

"That's what sort of sets me apart from other experts," Targosz said. "Because I sort of blend all of this, how you think, look, feel about yourself."

A firm believer in the link between the mind, body and spirit, Targosz extols that philosophy throughout, but especially in the opening chapters.

"You have to love yourself from within, but I'd be hypocritical if I was to sit here and say it's all from within,"

she said. "There's nothing wrong with loving yourself from within and taking care of your outward appearance."

"That's a reflection of who you are."

While she stresses accentuating the positive, Targosz also points out that part of a positive self-image is a matter of being realistic.

"Love yourself for who you are; set realistic goals. If you aren't tall with a thin structure, don't expect that."

Targosz included a chapter on body types, introducing the idea that instead of trying to change what is impossible to change, one should make the most of the

body type they're born with.

"I like the fact that I was able to write this for men and women," she said. "It seems there's a lot of stuff out there written for women (Targosz' other two books, due out this spring, included) and I wanted this to be for both sexes."

For future projects, Targosz would like to put more focus on the philosophical side of her "Mind, Body, Spirit" system, of which more can be found on her Web site, www.starglow.com.

For the time being, she is using her performing background on this book tour.

CALENDAR

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ment 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 Thursday of the month. Call 424-3404.

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

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

Dexter Village Council meets

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

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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.

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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. To obtain current updates to this meeting schedule visit the Web site www.wcroads.org.

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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.

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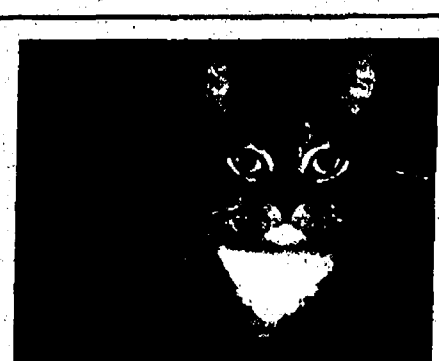
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Promoting a positive message

Chelsea High School's Students Against Destructive Decisions chapter will host Three Men and a Tenor 7:30 p.m. Jan. 29. Chuck Colby, the booking manager for the group and a member, lives in Dexter. Recently, the group visited the school district, performing for students and teachers.

The group will perform two 45 minute sets. The audience will have the chance to see members of the group sing tributes to Elvis, The Beatles, Motown, Bob Marley and Aretha Franklin.

The group is also composed of Mark Stiles and Glenn Williams of Lansing and Paul Felch of Almont. They met as students at Michigan State University in the men's glee club.

Tickets for Three Men and a Tenor are on sale at the Chelsea Pharmacy. The concert will be held at the high school auditorium, 740 N. Traver Road.

Chuck Colby of Three Men and a Tenor performs a mixture of rock 'n' roll combined with a little reggae music to students at Chelsea High School as part of a special concert.

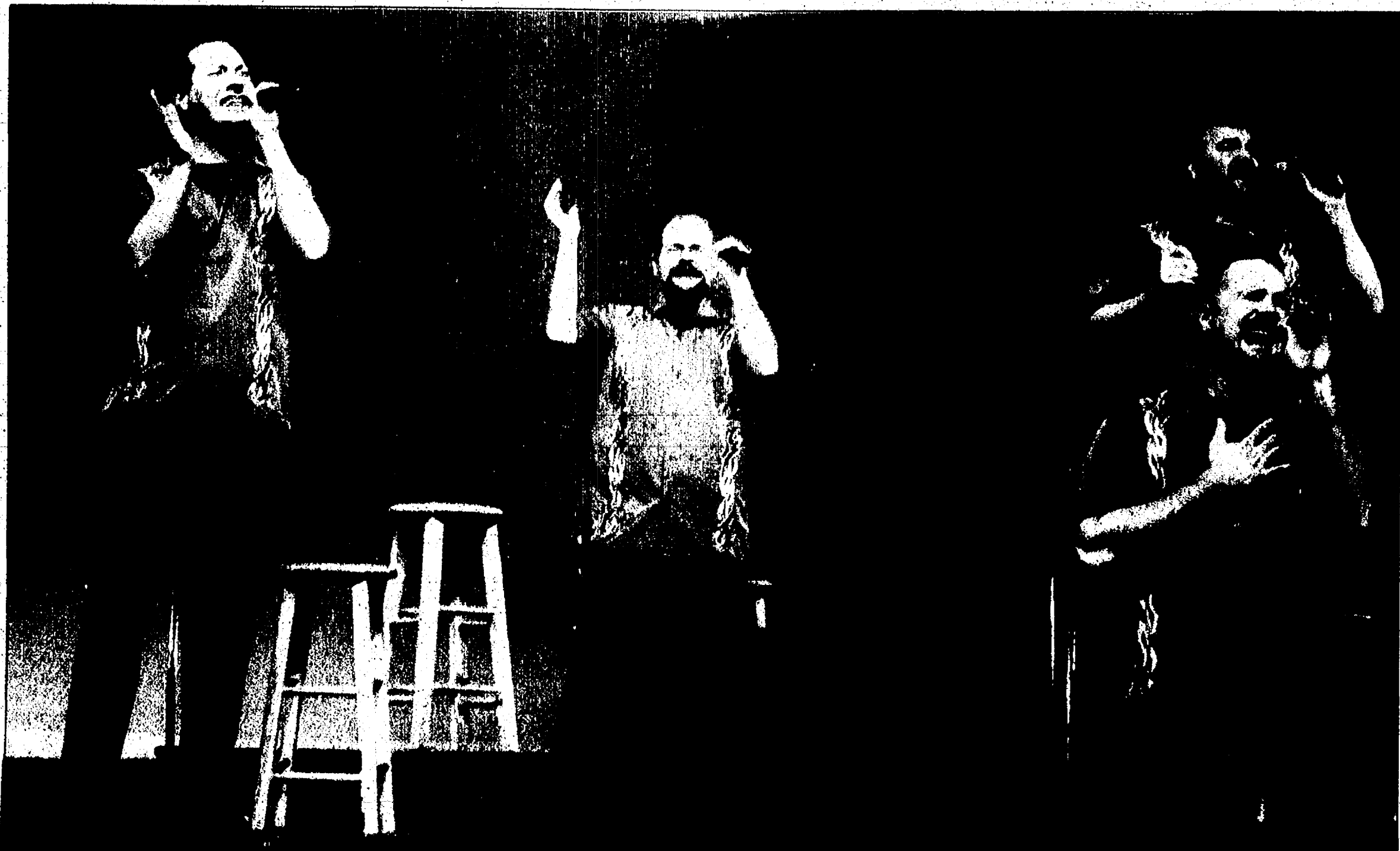
Mark Stiles performs one of the group's songs with a little bit of a southern twist.



Photos by Craig Watson



Singing to a group of students at Chelsea High School, Chuck Colby of Dexter entertains while also promoting a positive message.



Chuck Colby, Glenn Williams, Paul Felch and Mark Stiles make up the group Three Men and a Tenor. Voted Michigan's highest-rated touring group, performing live shows consisting of a cappella arrangements from popular musical artists like Elvis Presley, The Beatles, Bob Marley, The Doobie Brothers, Garth Brooks, The Temptations and several of the group's original songs. The group was formed by four members of the men's glee club at Michigan State University in January of 1992. The group performs nearly 100 school assemblies and clinics per year, motivating kids to pursue their passions.

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BASKETBALL

Chelsea falls to hot-shooting Pioneer

Bulldogs regroup to outhustle Williamston last Saturday

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea 'boys' basketball team lost to Ann Arbor Pioneer 72-57 last Friday.

The visiting Bulldogs (6-4) had a difficult time containing the swift, hot-shooting Pioneer offense.

"We shot 59 percent and still lost by 15 points," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "We seemed to be a step slow rotating on the back side. Their quickness on offense caused us problems. Give Pioneer credit, they played an exceptional game."

Ann Arbor (2-6) had balanced scoring on the night, with three players in double figures. Senior guard Ladell Harris and junior guard Jimmy Boone each scored 18 points to lead the Pioneers. Senior guard Anthony Bossard added 11 points for Ann Arbor.

Senior guard Danny Keilman and junior center John Mantel each netted 10 points to pace Chelsea. Both players also pulled down four rebounds to lead the Bulldogs.

Sophomore guard Nate Schwarze chipped in nine points, while senior forward Terry Arnold had seven points and senior guard Tim Mann six points for Chelsea.

Senior forward Spencer Daniels and sophomore forward Mike Sauers each



Photos courtesy of Alice Rawson.

Bulldog senior guard Tim Mann brings the ball up court despite pressure during last Saturday's game against Williamston. Mann scored 11 points and grabbed seven rebounds in Chelsea's win over the Hornets.

scored four points. Junior guard Joe Welton had three points, and senior forward Aaron Parisho and junior forward Cam Hawkins each recorded two points for the Bulldogs.

The Pioneers' overall record is deceiving. Ann Arbor has played one of the area's toughest schedules in the early season.

"Pioneer has struggled the first part of the year," Raymond said. "They hadn't been able to put it together. They came out on fire against us. They hit six threes in the first half. They're very athletic and quick defensively. To stop our offense, they put pressure on the wing,

perimeter areas."

Ann Arbor led 39-29 at half-time, outscoring the Bulldogs 24-16 in the second quarter. Pioneer finished the second stanza 9-of-11 from the floor, including four three-pointers.

Chelsea responded, however, in the third quarter, closing the gap to 46-43 early in the frame. Ann Arbor answered with a 10-0 run to increase its advantage to 56-43.

"We then started chasing them the rest of the night," Raymond said.

For the game, the Bulldogs ended up 23-of-39 from the floor for 59 percent, including 6-of-13 from beyond the



Chelsea's Terry Arnold glides in for two points against Williamston last Saturday. The senior forward finished with four points and three rebounds in the Bulldogs' 55-41 victory over the Hornets.

arc. Pioneer finished 29-of-49 from the field for 59 percent, going 8-of-13 from three-point land.

At the foul line, Chelsea was 5-of-13 for 38 percent, while Ann Arbor was 6-of-8 for 75 percent.

The Bulldogs turned the ball over 19 times, while

Pioneer committed 15 turnovers.

"We still need to lower our turnover number," Raymond said. "We are doing a better job controlling the ball. We haven't had as many unforced turnovers. We need to be able to play at a high level of intensity for 32 min-

utes to beat the really good teams."

Last Saturday, Chelsea defeated Williamston 55-41.

The visiting Bulldogs used a potent fast break and stifling defense to bottle up the Hornets (7-2).

"Williamston likes to get

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HOCKEY

Tough third period sinks icers

Saline rallies in final frame to beat Chelsea at Arctic Coliseum

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea hockey lost to Saline 5-1 last Saturday.

The host Bulldogs (6-3-5) allowed five unanswered goals in dropping the contest to their Southeastern Conference foe.

After a scoreless first period, Chelsea turned the light on 2:37 into the second stanza, as Schyler Williams blistered a shot past the Hornet net minder, giving the Bulldogs a 1-0 lead. Assisting on the play for Chelsea were Ryan Ford and Brett Common.

Saline responded five minutes later as James Telfer scored to tie the contest at 1-1.

Four minutes into the third period, Keith Marsh scored the eventual game-winner for Saline, giving the Hornets a 2-1 advantage.

Five minutes later, Saline's John Neumann scored a power play goal, upping the Hornets' lead to 3-1.

"We took a timeout," said Chelsea coach Don Wright. "We were trying to make things happen offensively. On defense, we had some breakdowns."

With the Bulldogs scrambling to trim the deficit, their defense was, at times, caught out of position. Marsh took advantage of Chelsea's aggressiveness closing out the game, with two goals, for the hat trick.

The Hornets out shot the Bulldogs 29-19, including 9-3 in the third period.

"In the last six minutes, we tried to force things," Wright said. "We got burned."

Chelsea vs. Huron

On Jan. 12, Chelsea tied



Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson.

Chelsea sophomore defenseman Travis Amburgey tries to stuff the puck under the sprawled Ann Arbor Huron goaltender last week. Amburgey and his Bulldog teammates tied the River Rats 2-2. Last Saturday, Chelsea lost to Saline 5-1, as the Hornets scored five unanswered goals.

Ann Arbor Huron 2-2.

The host Bulldogs skated out to a 1-0 first period lead as Taylor Hooper scored off an assist from Luc Daniels at 3:40 of the opening frame.

At 2:41 of the second period, Hooper notched goal No. 2 as Ryan Ruikka and Daniels assisted on the play for Chelsea.

With Hooper's goal, the game appeared to be turning in the Bulldogs' favor. The momentum appeared to be going Chelsea's way. As they say, however, appearances can be deceiving.

"We had out shot them 12-4 in the first period," Wright said. "Then, after we got up 2-0, we took six straight penalties. It was a series of bad breaks. We were short-

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Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson.

Bulldog senior Ryan Ford stickhandles around an Ann Arbor Huron defender during Chelsea's 2-2 tie Jan. 12.



Photo courtesy of Joan Kelley.

Chelsea's Derek Jolly defeated Tecumseh's Kevin Connors 18-10 at 160 pounds, during the Bulldogs' dual meet against the Indians last Thursday.

WRESTLING

Bulldog grapplers capture Athens invite

Chelsea advances six wrestlers to tournament finals

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea wrestling captured the 14-team Athens Invitational last Saturday.

The Bulldogs bested the field with 179.50 points. Rounding out the top four were Stockbridge with 167 points, followed by Shepherd with 142.50 points and Kent City with 134.50 points.

"It was a good performance by the kids," said Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel. "We came back and wrestled well (after loss to state-ranked Tecumseh last Thursday)."

Chelsea advanced six wrestlers to the tournament final, ending up with five champions.

At 103 pounds, the Bulldogs' Adam Rosentreter (3-0) beat Battle Creek Pennfield's Nick Probol 11-9, placing first overall.

Chelsea's Cody Schiller (3-0) defeated Kent City's Jeff Vainavicz 5-3 in the 140 final.

In the 152 title bout, Bulldog Stephen Kolokithas (3-0) defeated Stockbridge's Alex Graf 12-3 to capture first place overall.

At 215, Chelsea's Austin Rodgers (3-0) pinned Battle Creek Harper Creek's Jeremy Hagadom in 44 seconds for the tournament title.

"He pinned all three of his opponents in under two minutes (combined)," Kargel said of Rodgers.

Bulldog Brad Hinderer (3-0) beat Brad Wing of Watervliet 8-5 to finish first at heavyweight.

Placing second overall for Chelsea was Geoff Wonders (3-1) at 112. He lost to Chris

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Chelsea volleyball captured the Wyandotte Invitational last Saturday. Members of the Bulldogs include, front row, Megan Korc (left) and Shannon Kinner; middle row, Katherine Lixey (left), Maggie Dusbiber, Kaly Coburn, Sarah Iverson and Kay Szcondroski; back row, coach Laura Cleveland (left), Paige Denison, Lauren Verardi, Ann Kendzicky and Julie Kedroske.

Picture courtesy of Jim Kinner



VOLLEYBALL

Spikers swept by Tecumseh

Chelsea volleyball lost to Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 22-25, 22-25 last Thursday. Junior setter Maggie Dusbiber led the host Bulldogs with 13 assists and nine digs.

Junior outside hitter Sarah Iverson and sophomore middle hitter Ann Kendzicky each added five kills, while senior outside hitter Megan Korc had four kills for Chelsea.

Last Saturday, the Bulldogs captured the Wyandotte Invitational, defeating Riverview Gabriel Richard 16-25, 25-14, 15-6 in the final.

In the tournament semifinals, Chelsea beat always-tough Okemos 25-14, 20-25, 15-9.

In pool play, the Bulldogs (13-8-1) ended up 3-0-1 defeating Allen Park, Grosse Ile and Birmingham Groves and splitting with Wyandotte.

Kendzicky led Chelsea with 36 kills. Dusbiber added 26 kills, while Iverson had 25 kills.

Junior Kay Szcondroski had a fine, all-around tourney for the Bulldogs, finishing with 30 digs and 15 aces.

Korc ended up with a team high 107 assists.



Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson

Chelsea junior Kay Szcondroski returns a serve during the Bulldogs' 22-25, 22-25 loss to Tecumseh last Thursday.

The tournament title was Chelsea's third consecutive Wyandotte invite championship.

The Bulldogs next travel to SEC Red Division rival Adrian for a match 7 p.m. today.

On Jan. 27, Chelsea visits SEC White Division opponent Ypsilanti Lincoln for a contest at 7 p.m.

On Jan. 29, the Bulldogs participate in the Battle Creek Lakeview Invitational at 9 a.m.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Beach battles Saline in pool

Chelsea's Beach Middle School swimming and diving team lost to Saline 197-88 last Friday.

The Bulldog foursome of Stephanie Everard, Alyssa Rodgers, Nick Dyerly and Ryan Wrathall placed third in the 200 medley relay.

Claire Stephens touched first in the 200 freestyle for Chelsea. Teammate Katlin Cottrell finished fifth, while Michelle Kellogg was seventh and Grace Benton eighth for Beach.

In the 100 individual medley, Dyerly ended up third for Chelsea. Katie McEachern placed sixth, while Katie Lindauer was seventh and Viran Rana eighth for the Bulldogs.

Wrathall touched third in the 50 freestyle to lead Beach. Evan Phillips finished sixth, while Dominic Conybeare was seventh and Jillian Nichols eighth for Chelsea.

In diving, Everard placed fifth, while teammate Peter Wilke was fifth for Beach.

Nichols paced the squad in the 50 butterfly, finishing third. Dyerly ended up sixth, while Rana was seventh and Nick Raupp eighth for

the Bulldogs.

In the 100 freestyle, Stephens placed second for Chelsea. Wrathall touched third, while Sarah Daniel was fifth and Kaley Dixon seventh for Beach.

The Bulldog quartet of Dyerly, Phillips, Cottrell and Stephens finished second in the 200 freestyle relay.

Placing third in the 100 backstroke for Chelsea was Conybeare. Everard was fourth, while Lindauer was sixth and Gwen Eder seventh for Beach.

In the 100 breaststroke, Rodgers placed fourth to lead Chelsea. Raupp ended up fifth, while McEachern was seventh and Zoe Rozsa eighth for the Dawgs.

The Beach combo of Stephens, Phillips, Everard and Wrathall touched third in the 400 freestyle relay.

Chelsea next travels to Erie-Mason for a meet 9 a.m. Saturday.

On Monday, the Bulldogs host Adrian at 4:30 p.m.

On Jan. 31, Beach hosts Ypsilanti Lincoln at 4:30 p.m.

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handed the rest of the period. We were able to kill the penalties. We did a good job."

The Bulldogs might have been able to kill off the six consecutive penalties, but, in doing so, Chelsea expended a lot of energy. Energy it would need in the third period.

The River Rats scored two unanswered goals in the third period for the night's final margin. Scoring both goals for Ann Arbor was Tom Renkes.

"We got sloppy in our own end," Wright said. "I think those (second period) penalties wore us out."

Preserving the tie in net for the Bulldogs was goaltender J.R. Engelbert.

"He played outstanding," Wright said. "Especially when we were shorthanded."

Huron out shot the Bulldogs 26-24, including 17-4 in the penalty-marred second period.

"I thought this was a game we could have won," Wright said. "We can't take penal-

ties like that and expect to beat quality teams."

Wright said despite the rough outings last week, his squad is still playing well.

"The key thing is we're doing a lot of good things," he said. "But we need to work to get over the hump to win close games. We need to play well defensively. When we have our (scoring) chances, we have to get them

in the net. The longer it stays close, the team behind has a chance (to rally)."

Chelsea next travels to county and SEC rival Dexter for a game 7 p.m. Saturday at Veterans' Arena.

On Jan. 27, the Bulldogs visit state-ranked Riverview for a contest at 7 p.m.

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SWIMMING AND DIVING

Saline beats Chelsea tankers in last race

The Chelsea boys' swimming and diving team dropped a heartbreaking 94-91 meet to Southeastern Conference rival Saline last Friday.

The Bulldogs (3-1, 1-1) entered the meet against the strong Hornet squad as underdogs, but an early mistake in the 200 medley relay opened the door for the host team.

Chelsea jumped out in front and remained in the lead throughout the meet, only to fall short in the last three events, dropping a hard-fought battle at home.

Saline captured the opening A medley relay, but was disqualified for a jewelry infraction. This allowed the Bulldogs to win the event and earned the B relay a third-place finish. Because of the Hornet miscue, Chelsea jumped out to a 10-4 advantage.

The Bulldogs continued their momentum, placing first and second in the 200 freestyle, with Andy Kellogg and Rick Kinsey combining for the one-two punch. With the win, Chelsea increased its lead to 20-10.

The Bulldogs fell in the 200 individual medley, with Nick Armstrong leading the way. He had a career best time and second-place finish. Benji Kellogg placed fifth for Chelsea. With their victory, the Hornets trimmed the Bulldogs' advantage to 25-21.

In the 50 freestyle, Saline finished first and second. Andrew Ballow was the top scorer for Chelsea with a time of 24.26. Shawn Bergman ended up fourth, stopping the clock in 25.32.

A bright spot for the Bulldogs was Brett Kruse's season best 26.03, which earned him fifth place. The score was deadlocked 31-31 going into the one-meter diving competition.

Saline only had one diver in the event, giving Chelsea's Sean Cleary and Bergman an

advantage. The twosome made quick work of the Hornet diver, placing first and second, respectively. Bulldog Luka Kuhar was fourth in the competition. Cleary finished with a career best performance of 217.70 points. Bergman was close behind with an equally impressive score of 215.55 points.

With the dominant diving performance, the Bulldogs vaulted into the lead 43-34, with the second half of the meet yet to come.

Saline rebounded from its diving performance, placing first and second in the 100 butterfly. Jordan Skidmore placed third in 1:03.32 to pace Chelsea. Mike Lawrence swam a season best time in the event, stopping the clock at 1:06.02 for fourth place.

Once again, the score tightened as Chelsea led 48-45.

Bulldog Andy Kellogg blasted to a season best time in the 100 freestyle, out touching his Hornet foe in 48.81. Armstrong also swam a career best in the event, earning third place in 52.50. Ballow rounded out the event for Chelsea with a career best fourth-place time of 53.98.

Entering the 500 freestyle, the Bulldogs continued leading, 59-50.

In the 500 freestyle, Kinsey held his own, winning the event for Chelsea. Saline, however, was strong in the race, placing second, third and fourth overall. Chris Moyle and Doug Wrathall both swam season best times in the event, finishing in 5:47.31 and 6:34.72, respectively, for the Dawgs.

Chelsea's traditionally fast sprint relays did not disappoint, as the swimmers placed first and third in the 200 freestyle relay.

With the first and third place in the 200 freestyle relay, the Bulldogs upped their advantage to a seeming-



Chelsea's Jordan Skidmore placed third in the 100-butterfly against Saline during last Friday's 94-91 loss to the Hornets. Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson

ly comfortable 76-63.

Circumstances, however, would dramatically change in the meet's final races. Dan Warner of Saline blasted to a win in the 100 backstroke. Chelsea, led by Skidmore, could only muster a second- and fifth-place finish, with Bulldog Greg Daniel earning fifth.

With the win, the Hornets closed Chelsea's lead to 81-74.

In the 100 breaststroke, Saline touched first and second to trim the lead to 87-85 with one race left in the meet. Benji Kellogg earned third place, while Trevor Hughes and Nat Christman were fourth and fifth, respectively, for Chelsea.

In the 400 freestyle relay, the Bulldogs needed to finish no less than second and third, to record a one-point

victory. But Chelsea coach Dave Jolly admittedly made a mistake when figuring out his lineups for the relay.

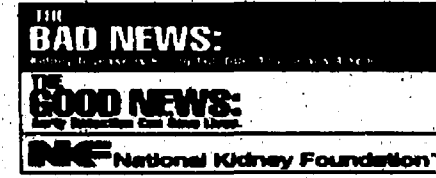
"I had forgotten about the lack of competitors in the diving event and was working off an incorrect score going into the event," he said.

Jolly's miscalculation proved costly, as Chelsea could only gain second place points in the relay, for the night's final margin.

The Bulldogs next travel to Adrian for a meet 6:30 p.m. tomorrow.

On Tuesday, Chelsea hosts Milan at 6:30 p.m.

On Jan. 28, the Bulldogs host Tecumseh at 6:30 p.m.



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the ball out and run," Raymond said. "We've been trying to get more shots (on offense), so we ran with them. It worked out well."

Williamston led 12-10 after the first quarter.

In the second stanza, Chelsea outscored the Hornets 19-15, taking a 29-27 advantage into the locker room.

The Bulldogs continued their strong play in the third quarter, outscoring Williamston 15-6 and increasing their lead to 44-33 heading into the fourth frame.

"We really took control of the game in the last half of the second quarter and in the third quarter," Raymond said. "We kept our fast break going and tightened up on defense. We were able to force the ball outside to the corner, as opposed to having them (Williamston) drive down the lane."

Pacing Chelsea offensively was Mantel (6-foot-5), who had a double-double of 22 points and 12 rebounds, including five offensive boards. He also added four blocked shots.

"John was very aggressive on the offensive end," Raymond said. "Defensively, he blocked four shots. Williamston started looking for him; it disrupted their shots. That made a difference."

Mann had 11 points and seven rebounds, while Keilman had nine points and Schwarze seven points and five steals for the Bulldogs.

"Mann and Schwarze did a nice job of pushing the ball up the court," Raymond said. "They kept things in an up-tempo mode. Our guards were very aggressive, and that's what we're looking for. Everybody played well."

Arnold added four points and three rebounds, while senior forward Aaron Parisho had two points for Chelsea.

Defensively, the Bulldogs shut down the Hornets' leading scorer, Drew Kimichik. The 6-5 senior, who had been averaging 20 points, was held to six points.

"Danny Keilman did a good job on him," Raymond said. "This was a big win on the road for us."

Chelsea finished 24-of-52 from the floor for 46 percent. Williamston ended up 18-of-50 for 36 percent.

At the line, the Bulldogs were 5-of-7 for 71 percent, while the Hornets were 4-of-11 for 36 percent.

Chelsea next hosts Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 7 p.m. tomorrow.

On Jan. 28, the Bulldogs travel to SEC White rival

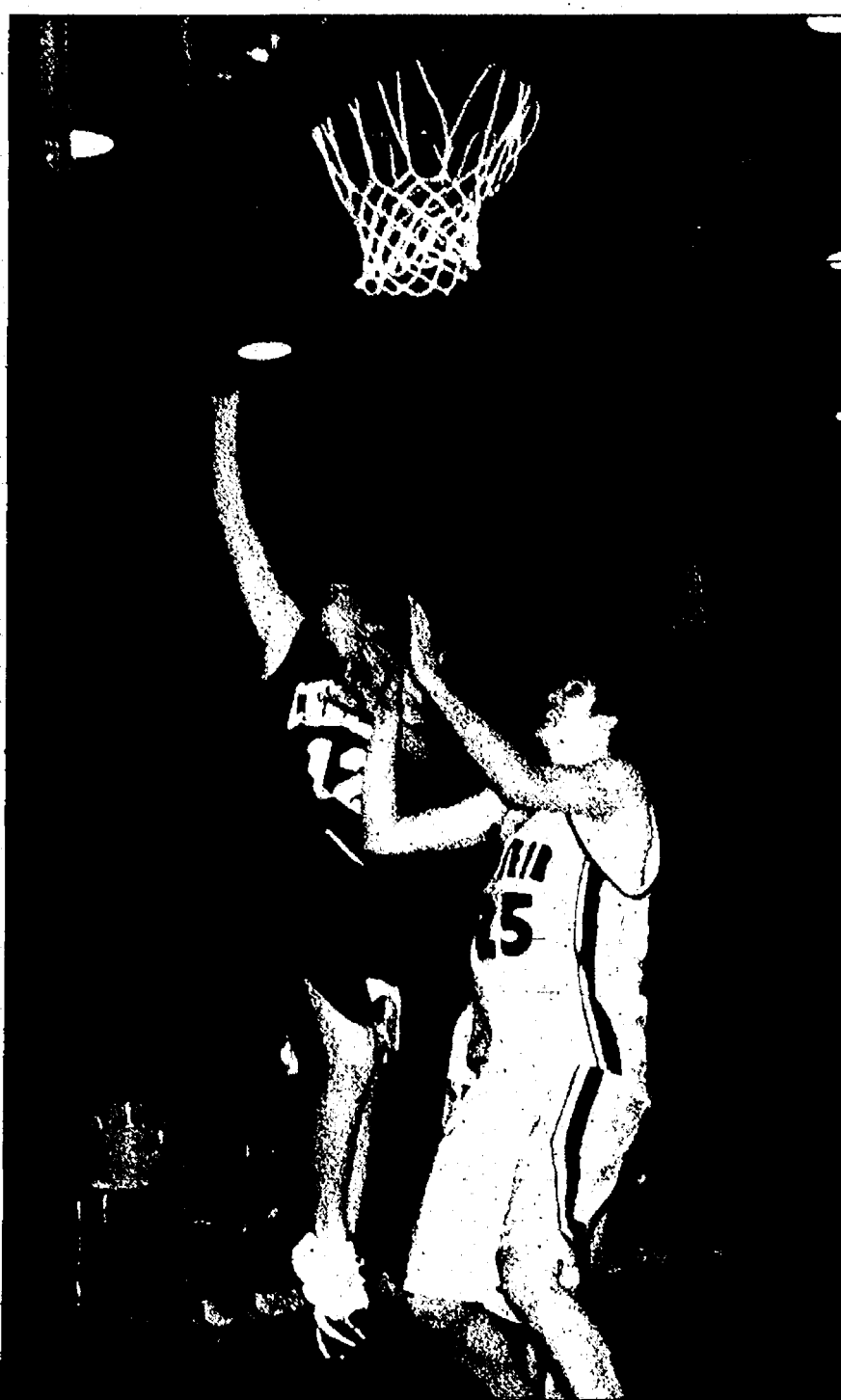


Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson
Chelsea sophomore Nate Schwarze scored nine points in the Bulldogs' 72-57 loss to Ann Arbor Pioneer last Friday.

Ypsilanti Lincoln for a game at 7 p.m.

JV Basketball
Chelsea's JV boys' basketball team defeated Ann Arbor Pioneer 62-50 last Friday.

A 19-12 third-quarter turned the game around for the visiting Bulldogs (8-2, 2-0). Adam Connell led Chelsea with 23 points. Josh Deaton added 15 points, while Jon Seelbach had 11 points.

Last Saturday, the Bulldogs bested Williamston 46-38.

Chelsea outscored the host Hornets 28-15 in the second half to secure its victory. Seelbach paced the Bulldogs with 24 points. Connell chipped in 12 points for Chelsea.

On Jan. 7, the Bulldogs lost to Saline 54-39.

Seelbach netted 13 points, while Connell had 11 points for host Chelsea.

On Jan. 4, the Bulldogs beat Jackson Northwest 44-40.

Connell poured in 23 points, while Ben Johnson had eight points for host Chelsea.

"We have done a nice job in the first 10 games," said Chelsea coach Mark Scheese. "The second half of the season is all league games, and should prove to be a challenge."

The Bulldogs next host

Tecumseh 5:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Freshman Basketball
Chelsea's freshman boys' basketball team lost to Ann Arbor Pioneer last Friday.

Nathan Vlcek paced the visiting Bulldogs with seven points.

"Matt Johnson played a great game for Chelsea on both ends of the floor," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris.

Last Saturday, Chelsea (5-5) defeated Williamston 47-34. The visiting Bulldogs jumped out to a 14-4 first-quarter lead.

Stu Mann led Chelsea with 21 points.

"It was important after the tough day at Pioneer to come out and get an early lead," Morris said. "Give credit to the guys for doing this. We were much more aggressive on both ends of the floor."

The Bulldogs next host Tecumseh 5:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Washington Street Education Center.

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Bulldog Marty Kelley placed sixth at 135 pounds at last Saturday's Athens Invitational.

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ATHENS

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Deneau of Athens by pin in 3:02 in the final.

At 160, Drew Wint (3-1) finished fifth for the Bulldogs, pinning Dino Roumelopoulos of Watervliet in 4:17 in the fifth-sixth-place bout.

Marty Kelley (3-2) placed sixth for Chelsea at 135, losing to Battle Creek Harper Creek's Shea Hamilton by pin in 3:40 in the fifth-sixth-place match.

Others contributing to the Bulldogs' tournament title included Danny Ngo (1-2) at 119, Paul Bell (0-2) at 125, Doug Zygnier (0-2) at 130, Ross Fortner (1-2) at 145, Phil Thayer (1-2) at 171 and Dave Fishburn (0-2) at 189.

Chelsea vs. Tecumseh

Last Thursday, visiting Chelsea lost to Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 45-19.

Despite the loss to the Indians, Kargel remained

upbeat.

"I was really impressed with my kids," he said. "I thought our kids did very well."

Rosentreter lost a 12-2 major decision to Ron Martin at 103 for the Bulldogs.

At 112, Wonders beat Nick Liuzzi 6-0.

Chelsea's Matt Shultz lost to Mike Wines by pin in 22 seconds at 119.

Zygnier lost to Shawn Bagbey 9-5 at 125.

Bulldog Nick Dahl was pinned by Chris Jenkins in 30 seconds at 130. Kelley was pinned by Drew Lesko in 3:55 at 135.

Schiller defeated Drew Cunningham 10-0 in a major decision at 140.

Fortner was pinned by Elijah Million in 1:30 at 145.

Kolokithas decided Garrett Marks 6-4 at 152 for Chelsea. Bulldog Derek Jolly beat Kevin Connors 18-10 at 160.

At 171, Thayer lost to Nate DeJonghe 14-7. Chelsea's A.J.

Suffety was pinned by Tecumseh's Andrew Yarborough in 2:06 at 189.

Rodgers pinned the Indians' Eric Cooper in 1:02 at 215.

At heavyweight, Hinderer lost to John Ahearn by a 17-2 technical fall.

"I saw some bright spots," Kargel said. "I think the kids are beginning to feel more confident. We're wrestling good competition, and that helps."

The Bulldogs next host Adrian 6:30 p.m. today.

On Saturday, Chelsea hosts its own six-team tournament at 9 a.m. The squads participating in the tourney include Milan, Fowlerville, Allen Park, Gaylord and Onsted. The tournament will be a round robin-type format.

On Jan. 27, the Bulldogs host SEC White Division rival Ypsilanti Lincoln at 6:30 p.m.

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Eyster finishes No. 2 in the world rankings

Chelsea's Teddy Eyster, 14, finished 2004 ranked No. 2 in the World Atlatl Association Youth Division. His brother Harold, 11, is ranked No. 6 in the world in the same division.

Brighton's Jim Gilligan is ranked No. 6 in the world in the men's division.

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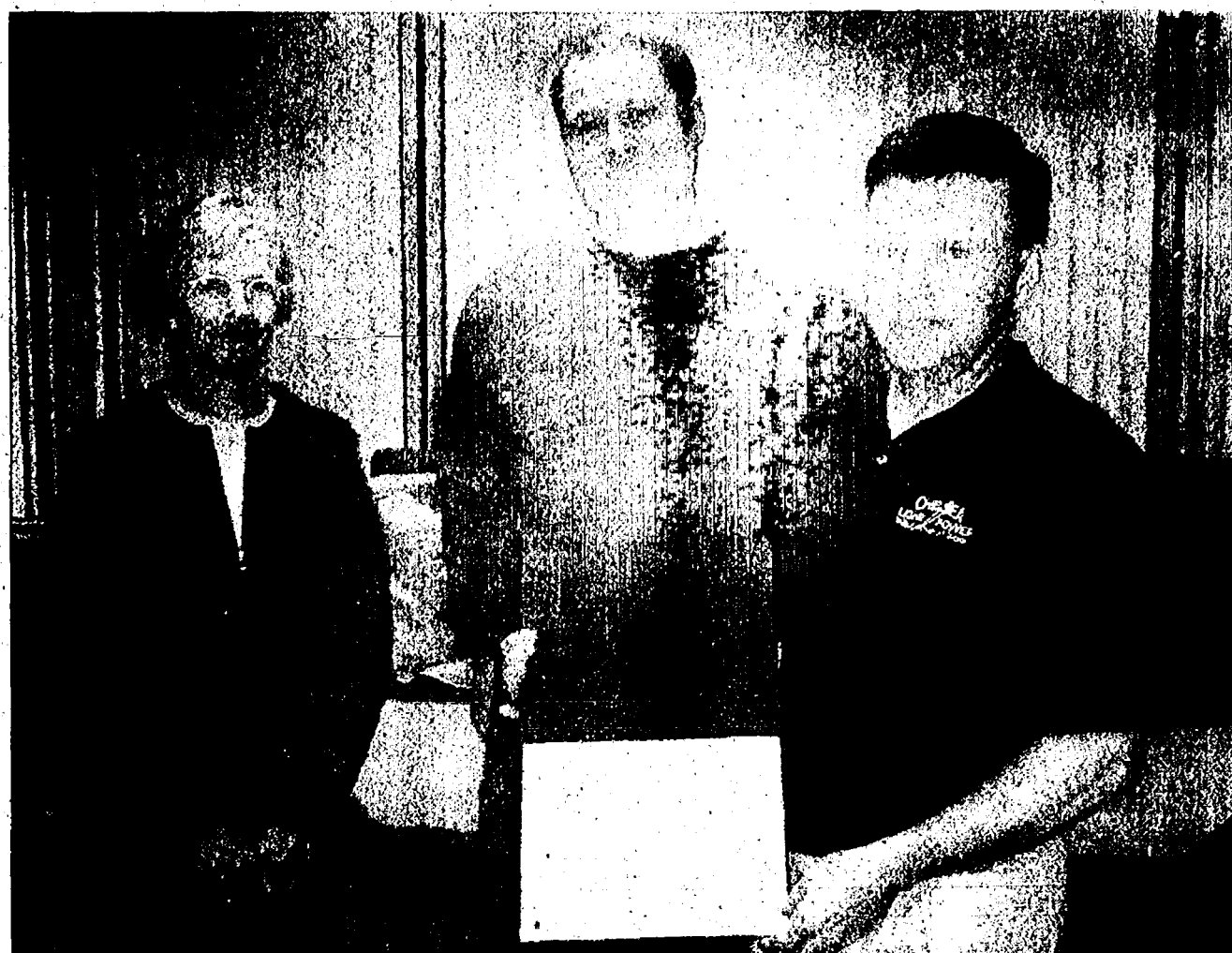
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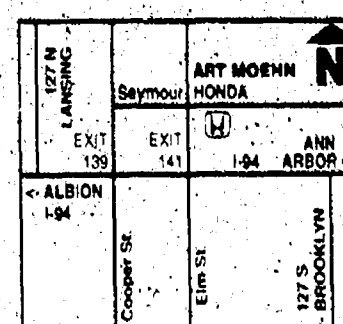
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the ball out and run," Raymond said. "We've been trying to get more shots (on offense), so we ran with them. It worked out well."

Williamston led 12-10 after the first quarter.

In the second stanza, Chelsea outscored the Hornets 19-15, taking a 29-27 advantage into the locker room.

The Bulldogs continued their strong play in the third quarter, outscoring Williamston 15-6 and increasing their lead to 44-33 heading into the fourth frame.

"We really took control of the game in the last half of the second quarter and in the third quarter," Raymond said. "We kept our fast break going and tightened up on defense. We were able to force the ball outside to the corner, as opposed to having them (Williamston) drive down the lane."

Pacing Chelsea offensively was Mantel (6-foot-5), who had a double-double of 22 points and 12 rebounds, including five offensive boards. He also added four blocked shots.

"John was very aggressive on the offensive end," Raymond said. "Defensively, he blocked four shots. Williamston started looking for him; it disrupted their shots. That made a difference."

Mann had 11 points and seven rebounds, while Keilman had nine points and Schwarze seven points and five steals for the Bulldogs.

"Mann and Schwarze did a nice job of pushing the ball up the court," Raymond said. "They kept things in an up-tempo mode. Our guards were very aggressive, and that's what we're looking for. Everybody played well."

Arnold added four points and three rebounds, while senior forward Aaron Parish had two points for Chelsea.

Defensively, the Bulldogs shut down the Hornets' leading scorer, Drew Kimichik. The 6-5 senior, who had been averaging 20 points, was held to six points.

"Danny Keilman did a good job on him," Raymond said. "This was a big win on the road for us."

Chelsea finished 24-of-52 from the floor for 46 percent. Williamston ended up 18-of-50 for 36 percent.

At the line, the Bulldogs were 5-of-7 for 71 percent, while the Hornets were 4-of-11 for 36 percent.

Chelsea next hosts Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 7 p.m. tomorrow.

On Jan. 28, the Bulldogs travel to SEC White rival

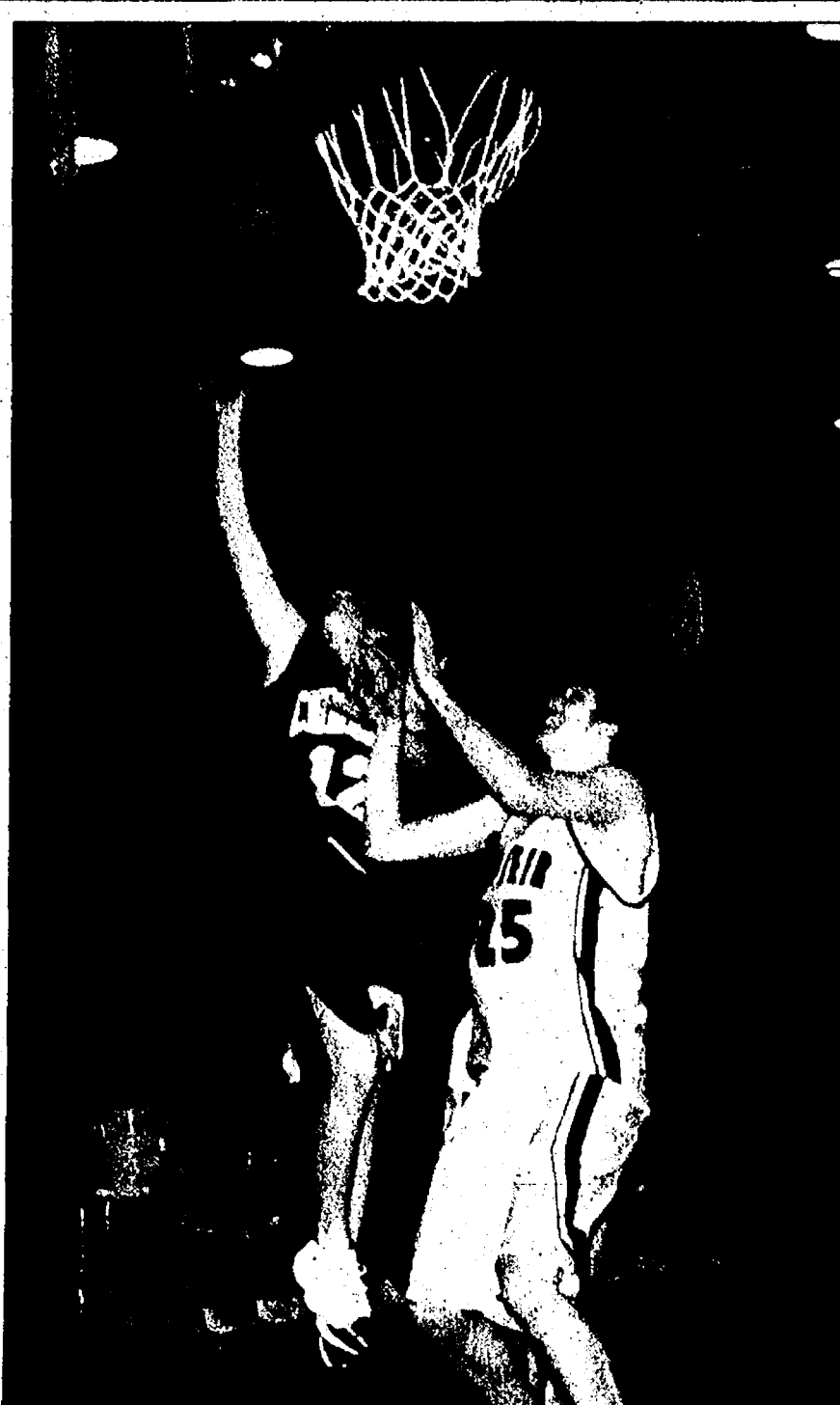


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Chelsea sophomore Nate Schwarze scored nine points in the Bulldogs' 72-57 loss to Ann Arbor Pioneer last Friday.

Ypsilanti Lincoln for a game at 7 p.m.

JV Basketball

Chelsea's JV boys' basketball team defeated Ann Arbor Pioneer 62-50 last Friday.

A 19-12 third-quarter turned the game around for the visiting Bulldogs (8-2, 2-0).

Adam Connell led Chelsea with 23 points. Josh Deaton added 15 points, while Jon Seelbach had 11 points.

Last Saturday, the Bulldogs bested Williamston 46-38.

Chelsea outscored the host, Hornets 28-15 in the second half to secure its victory.

Seelbach paced the Bulldogs with 24 points. Connell chipped in 12 points for Chelsea.

On Jan. 7, the Bulldogs lost to Saline 54-39.

Seelbach netted 13 points, while Connell had 11 points for host Chelsea.

On Jan. 4, the Bulldogs beat Jackson Northwest 44-40.

Connell poured in 23 points, while Ben Johnson had eight points for host Chelsea.

"We have done a nice job in the first 10 games," said Chelsea coach Mark Scheese. "The second half of the season is all league games, and should prove to be a challenge."

The Bulldogs next host

Tecumseh 5:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Freshman Basketball

Chelsea's freshman boys' basketball team lost to Ann Arbor Pioneer last Friday.

Nathan Vlcek paced the visiting Bulldogs with seven points.

"Matt Johnson played a great game for Chelsea on both ends of the floor," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris.

Last Saturday, Chelsea (5-5) defeated Williamston 47-34. The visiting Bulldogs jumped out to a 14-4 first-quarter lead.

Stu Mann led Chelsea with 21 points.

"It was important after the tough day at Pioneer to come out and get an early lead," Morris said. "Give credit to the guys for doing this. We were much more aggressive on both ends of the floor."

The Bulldogs next host Tecumseh 5:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Washington Street Education Center.

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Bulldog Marty Kelley placed sixth at 135 pounds at last Saturday's Athens Invitational.

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ATHENS

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Deneau of Athens by pin in 3:02 in the final.

At 160, Drew Wint (3-1) finished fifth for the Bulldogs, pinning Dino Roumeliopis of Watervliet in 4:17 in the fifth-sixth-place bout.

Marty Kelley (3-2) placed sixth for Chelsea at 135, losing to Battle Creek Harper Creek's Shea Hamilton by pin in 3:40 in the fifth-sixth-place match.

Others contributing to the Bulldogs' tournament title included Danny Ngo (1-2) at 119, Paul Bell (0-2) at 125, Doug Zygnier (0-2) at 130, Ross Fortner (1-2) at 145, Phil Thayer (1-2) at 171 and Dave Fishburn (0-2) at 189.

Chelsea vs. Tecumseh Last Thursday, visiting Chelsea lost to Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 45-19.

Despite the loss to the Indians, Kargel remained

upbeat. "I was really impressed with my kids," he said. "I thought our kids did very well."

Rosentreter lost a 12-2 major decision to Ron Martin at 103 for the Bulldogs.

At 112, Wonders beat Nick Liuzzi 6-0.

Chelsea's Matt Shultz lost to Mike Wines by pin in 22 seconds at 119.

Zygnier lost to Shawn Bagbey 9-5 at 125.

Bulldog Nick Dahl was pinned by Chris Jenkins in 30 seconds at 130. Kelley was pinned by Drew Lesko in 3:55 at 135.

Schiller defeated Drew Cunningham 10-0 in a major decision at 140.

Fortner was pinned by Elijah Million in 1:30 at 145.

Kolokithas decided Garrett Marks 6-4 at 152 for Chelsea. Bulldog Derek Jolly beat Kevin Connors 18-10 at 160.

At 171, Thayer lost to Nate DeJonghe 14-7. Chelsea's A.J.

Suffety was pinned by Tecumseh's Andrew Yarbrough in 2:06 at 189.

Rodgers pinned the Indians' Eric Cooper in 1:02 at 215.

At heavyweight, Hinderer lost to John Ahearn by a 17-2 technical fall.

"I saw some bright spots," Kargel said. "I think the kids are beginning to feel more confident. We're wrestling good competition, and that helps."

The Bulldogs next host Adrian 6:30 p.m. today.

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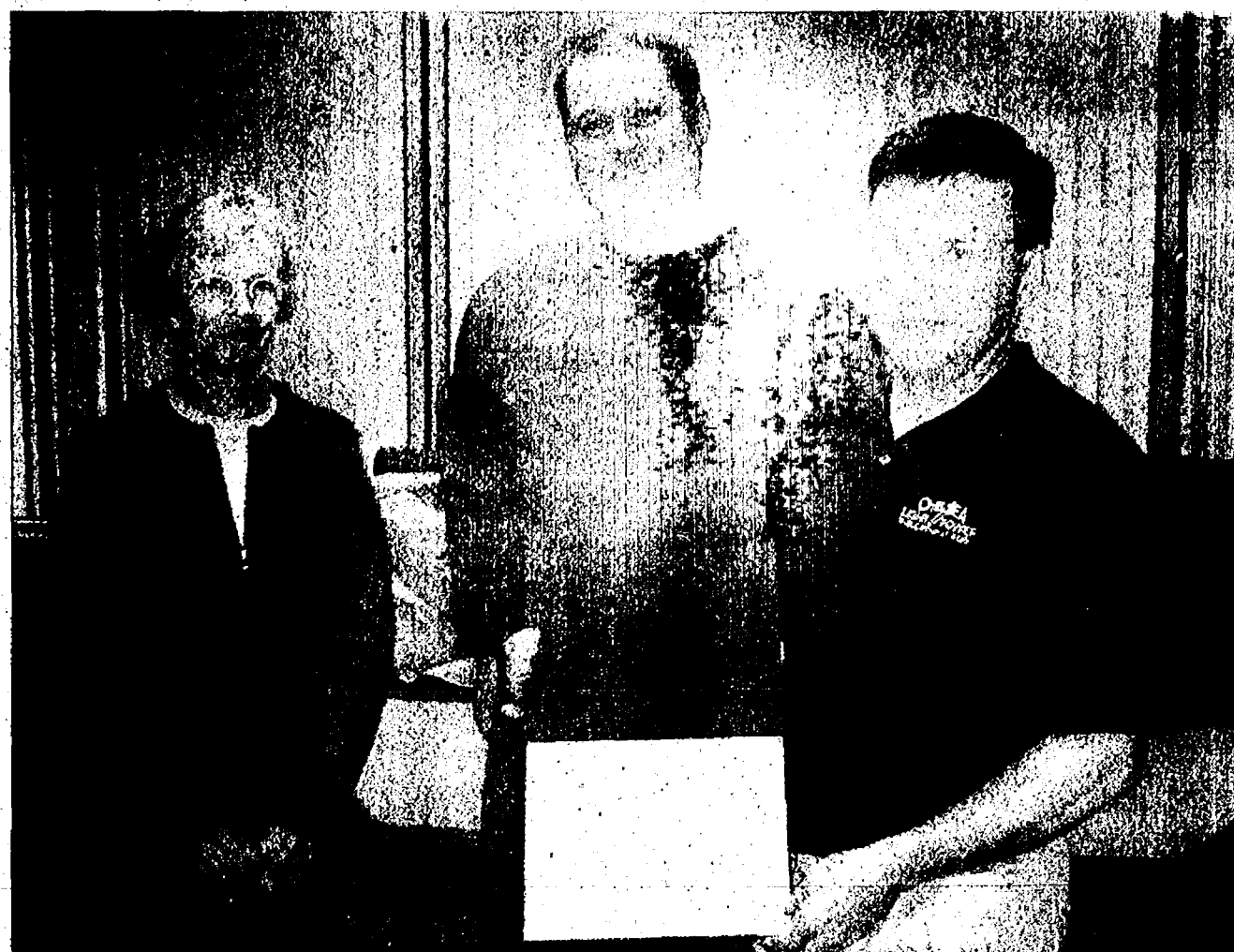
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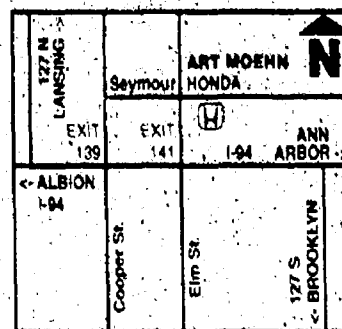




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A Friendly Visit

Cub Scouts in Chelsea Pack 435, Den 4, visited The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader newspaper office Monday to learn about the business. The Scouts were working on the information achievement category as part of their bear badge. In front are Matthew DeGraff (left) and Ezra Brooks-Planck; in back, Sean Ruffin (left), Jonny Mangner and Tyler Paul.

WHITMORE LAKE

Restaurant marks anniversary

The Bobber-Down-Bar-and-Grille, 8475 Main St. in Whitmore Lake, celebrated its first anniversary Saturday.

The restaurant is owned and operated by husband-and-wife team Carl and Marilyn Engstrom of Whitmore Lake, and partners Dale and Carole Cassidy. Their chef is a graduate of the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts program. His 18-year career includes food preparation at Chemung Hills Country Club, Faulk Wood Country Club and various other fine-eating establishments.

The Engstroms purchased the restaurant in October 2003 and have renovated the property extensively. The fully renovated interior provides a relaxed, come-as-you-are atmosphere.

The Engstroms and their family have lived in Whitmore Lake for five years. During this time, they have been active in the community, hosting breakfast meetings for the Brighton Chamber of Commerce and social functions for the Whitmore Lake Chamber of Commerce.

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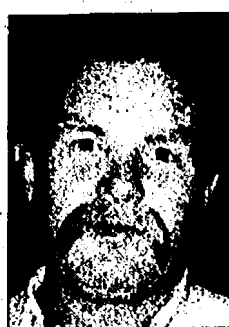
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Q: Why did you choose the Dexter or Chelsea area for your business?

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Q: Describe your business philosophy:

A: Give the customers what they need to make their job a completely satisfying experi-



Ed Young

ence, and making them customers for life.

Q: What's the most enjoyable part of owning and operating your own business?

A: Establishing my own hours and being responsible for making a customer happy.

Q: What are your business-related goals for the next five years?

A: Keep it honest, do it right and sleep well at night.

ANN ARBOR

Bank gets new leader

After more than 46 years in the banking industry, Bank of Ann Arbor CEO William Broucek has retired. Timothy Marshall, who joined the bank in July, has assumed the role of president and chief executive officer. Broucek will remain on the bank's board of directors.

Broucek has been president and CEO since 1995, when he founded the bank with the support of several local business leaders. Under Broucek's leadership, the bank has grown to more than \$990 million in assets, with nearly 100 employees serving customers from five office locations.

"I am grateful for having the opportunity to serve the Ann Arbor community over the past 37 years," Broucek, who also founded the banking division of Ann Arbor Trust Company, now Key Bank, said in a press release.

Marshall was elected president, COO and a director of Arbor Bancorp and Bank of Ann Arbor by the board of

directors at its June 2004 meeting. Marshall previously served as president of Salin Bank & Trust, a family-owned community bank with more than \$990 million in assets operating solely in Indiana in 31 locations.

Marshall holds a bachelor's degree from Purdue University and a master's degree in business adminis-

tration from Butler University. He began his banking career in 1981.

"Over the past six months, I have had the privilege to work with and learn from Bill," Marshall said. "I am honored to follow in his footsteps and will do all I can to ensure that the Bank of Ann Arbor continues to grow and prosper."

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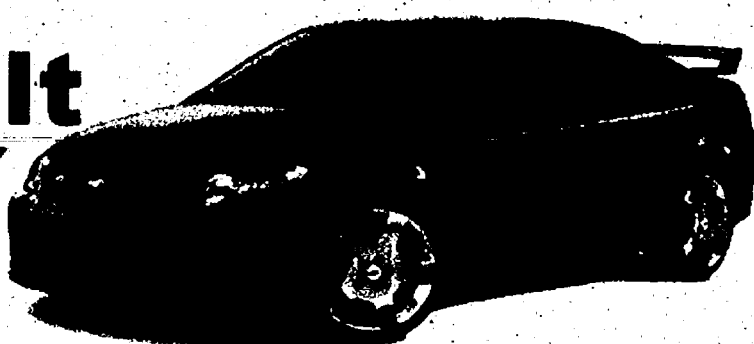
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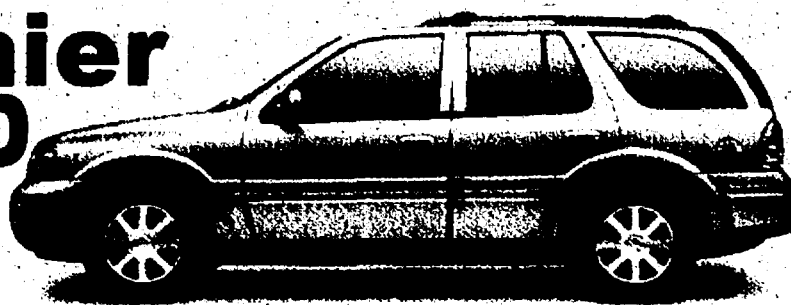


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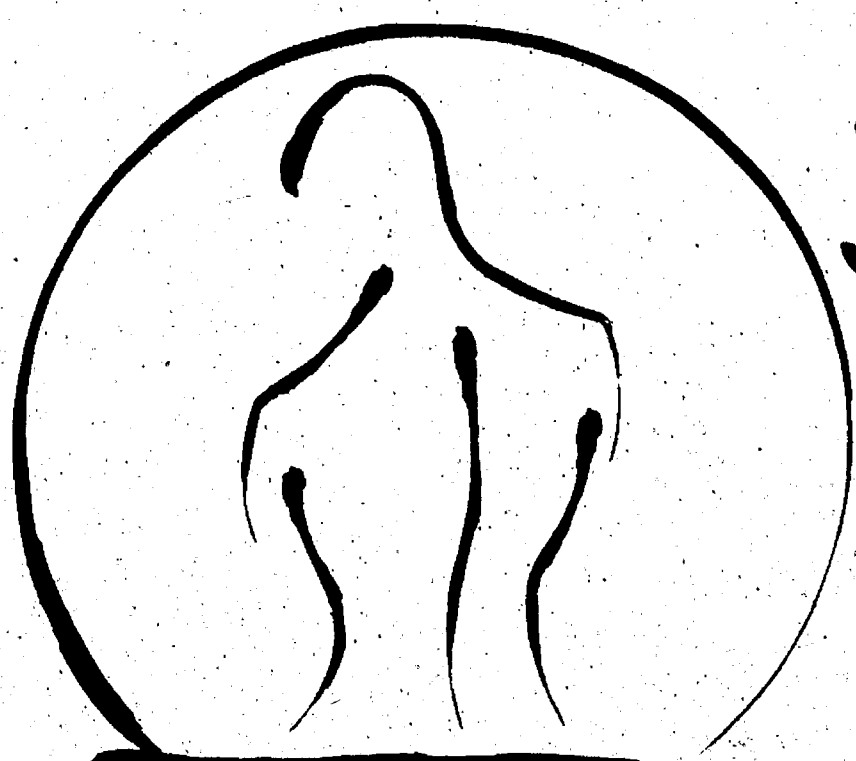
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Dr. Lisa Olszewski is native of Southeastern Michigan, growing up in the Irish Hills, Southwest of Chelsea. She attained her Bachelors of Science degree in Biomedical Science at Grand Valley State University. She earned her Doctor of Chiropractic degree at the "Fountainhead of Chiropractic" — Palmer College of Chiropractic, in Davenport, Iowa.

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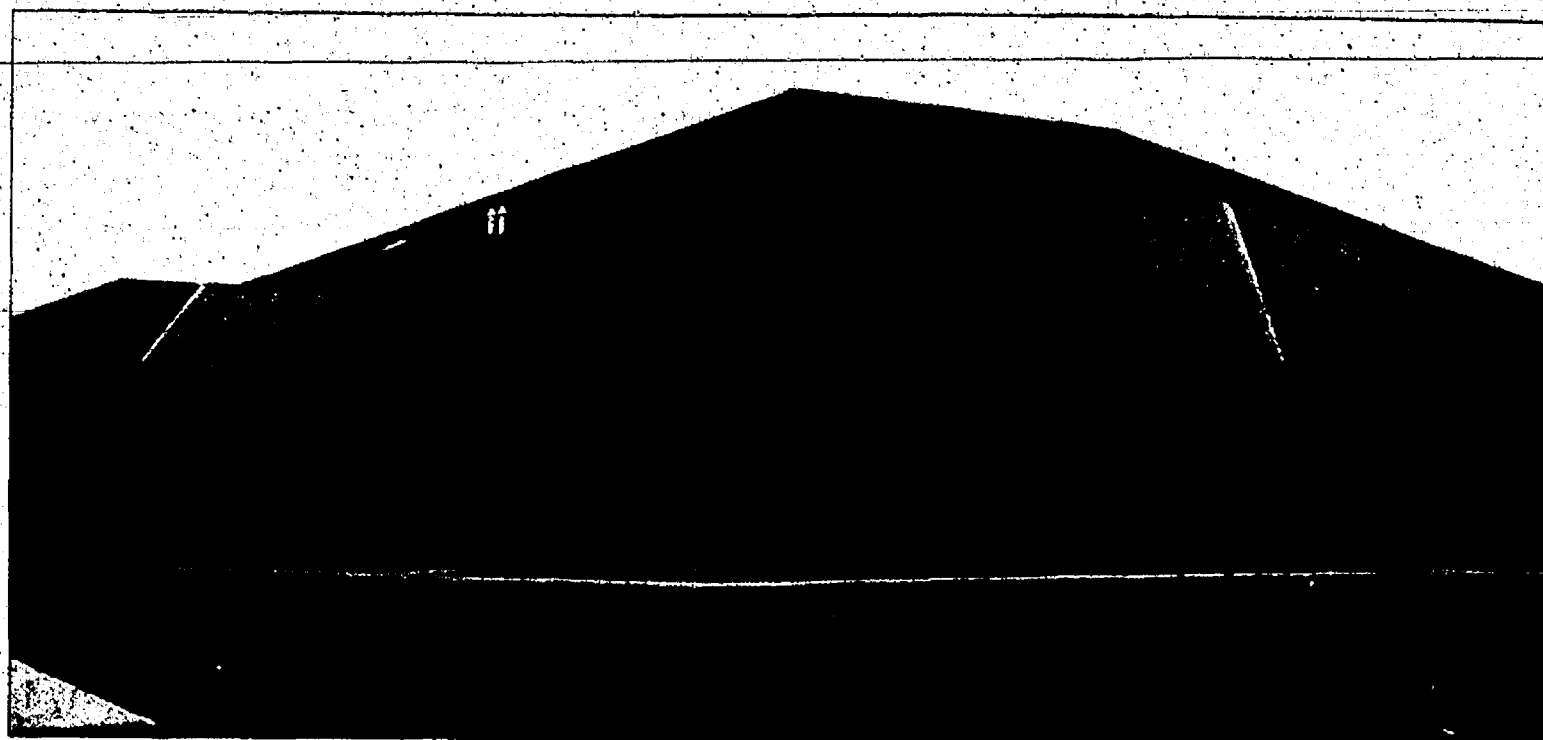
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MOVIE REVIEW

'The Aviator' is an interesting ride

Characterized as a director obsessed with investigating the deepest crevices of American society, it may come as a surprise that it's through the skies that Martin Scorsese reclaims his position as America's best living director.

On the wings of a few hundred planes and a few brilliant performances, Scorsese's visually sublime Howard Hughes' biopic, "The Aviator," offers the scope and seamless style of a classic epic with the gritty reality emblematic of the Scorsese cinematic tradition.

Hearkening back not only to old Hollywood glamour, but also to the '60s auteur film making tradition, Scorsese offers a film marked by exacting technical wizardry and complicated character study that will leave audiences holding on to their seats while drying their eyes.

Opening with a less than subtle foreshadowing of Hughes' imminent salubrious obsession, the film's initial scene of his disturbing childhood bathing ritual also hints at the shadows and dimensions that raise "The

Aviator" beyond the bumper crop of biopics offered this Oscar season.

Audiences expecting pure Hollywood glamour or superficial displays of mental eccentricities may be troubled by the realistic depiction of corporeal and mental anguish highlighted in the story of the obsessive compulsive aeronautics genius. But it's Scorsese's courage to portray the horror of Hughes' illness with such exacting detail that transforms Hughes from a cocktail party joke to a tragic hero.

Taking his position in the cockpit of Scorsese's high-flying tour de force, Leonardo DiCaprio is finally given a role worthy of a talent hinted at in the earlier films "What's Eating Gilbert Grape" and "The Basketball Diaries." Embodying the manifold dimensions of the brilliant and troubled Hughes, DiCaprio reveals the connection between Hughes' aeronautical perfectionism and his terror within his own skin as he portrays Hughes' movement from a pre-



ANNA SZYMANSKI

cocious profligate filmmaker to an agoraphobic, war profiteer.

Opening the film as the 21-year-old Hughes, DiCaprio's remarkably young-looking face recalls the innocence and beauty of an idyllic Hollywood past that, like a F. Scott Fitzgerald novel, is filled with comely actresses, outlandish parties and flowing champagne. However, like Gatsby, Hughes climbs to the pinnacle of American success only to come crashing down (literally) into a world he never quite fits into.

Joining Hughes at the wheel and in the ranks of the misunderstood is Katherine Hepburn, who is brought forth with dramatic profundity and precise detail by Cate Blanchett. Unlike many actors who engage in mimicry and impersonation to bring a recognizable celebrity to life, Blanchett treats Hepburn as a grand multifaceted character and suggests that her legendary bravado may have masked a woman who, like Hughes,

could not quite conform to society's expectations.

Once Blanchett leaves the screen and Hughes' arm becomes occupied by Kate Beckinsale's Ava Gardner, the film loses altitude and flounders before moving into a higher gear as DiCaprio reveals the all-encompassing nightmare of Hughes' mental illness, as well as Hughes' wit, charm and courage in the face of the machinations of the airline industry.

As the film returns to its beginnings in Hughes' mother's living room, Scorsese does not give a definitive answer to the meaning of Hughes' grand and tragic tale, but instead suggests its larger implications in our own understanding of dreams and success.

While "The Aviator" is certainly a long ride at almost three hours and anything but smooth as the film overflows with personalities and subplots, Scorsese's reexamination of the American Dream is truly a ride worth taking.

Anna Szymanski is a freelance writer. She can be reached at ams356@nyu.edu.

CHELSEA

Center stage
Wurster directing latest CAP play

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Heritage Newspapers

A madcap comedy of mistaken identity could easily describe the Chelsea Area Players' next production, "Love, Sex and the IRS."

It might also describe director Vicky Wurster's involvement in the Players over the past eight years, as she describes how she got involved "almost by accident" in the theatrical group.

"I had a friend who had been active in the Players for a long, long time," Wurster said. "She told me they needed some help, so I joined to help out."

That "help" has included being a member of the CAP board for the past eight years and has encompassed almost every phase of production of a performance.

"I've directed, produced, done hair and makeup, and even been the stage manager," Wurster said.

She also has been secretary and president of the board and has been involved in some aspect of nearly every performance throughout her eight years of involvement.

"It's just very interesting to me; I'm very creative and I like being a part of it," she said.

The cast has been selected and rehearsals have begun for the Players' winter dinner theater production of William Van Zandt and Jane Milmore's comedy, which will be performed Feb. 3 through 5 in the dining room of the Chelsea Community Hospital.

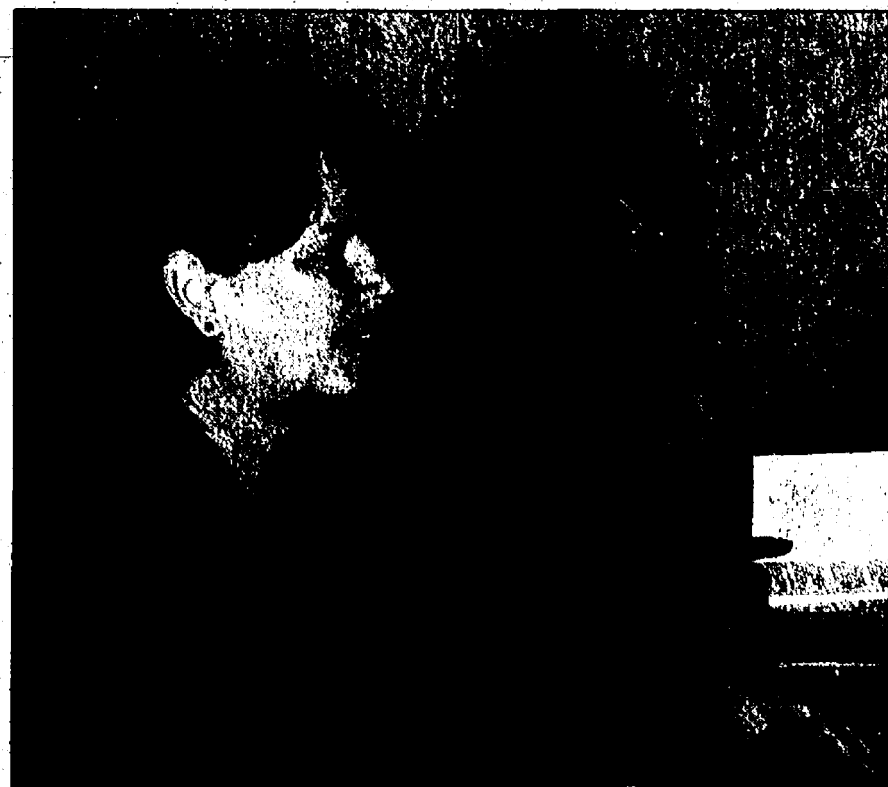
"I cast the show in December and gave them their scripts," Wurster said. "They had the month of December to learn their lines."

The story is about two New York City bachelors, John and Les, who get into trouble with the IRS when John fills out a joint tax return claiming that Les is Leslie, his wife.

"The 'sex' in the title is really about gender, not sex," Wurster said.

To complicate matters, Les has fallen in love with John's girlfriend, Kate. Throw in John's mother, arriving to meet John's fiancée and Les' ex-girlfriend, demanding to know why Les won't see her any more and the stage is set for a frantic farce.

John is played by Chelsea stage regular Bill Hohnke, who also was seen as Henry Higgins in last summer's CAP production of "My Fair Lady." Les is played by Brad Richert, who has a long history of CAP stage appearances



Director Vicky Wurster (left) and producer Clara Smith are pictured during casting for "Love, Sex and the IRS."

including "Dead and Jackson as Kate. Joanne Deader" and "My Fair Lady." Weber plays John's mother.

The production's leading and Chelsea High School jun-lady is Shannon McNally for Jessica Rising plays

Connie, Les' girlfriend.

The cast is rounded out with Norman Weber as the landlord, Mr. Jansen and Max Sprinkle as the IRS agent. Wurster herself will have a small role in this show as Ms. Grunion.

Although Wurster has produced and directed several CAP shows, one of the highlights of her involvement was working as the stage manager for "My Fair Lady" last summer.

"I had never done anything like that," she said. "It was a pretty hectic job with such big pressure."

"You have to direct every single phase of lighting, raising and lowering the curtains, changing the backdrops ... you have to know what's happening behind the closed curtain, when the stage is re-set and the people are ready."

Wurster said that seeing

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CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BID PACKAGE #1
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Owner: Chelsea School District
Construction: Granger Construction Company
Manager: 6267 Aurelius Road/P.O. Box 22187
Lansing, Michigan 48909
(517) 393-1670 Phone / (517) 393-1382 Fax

Invitation is made by the Owner and Construction Manager to have qualified bidders submit bid proposals for the above referenced project. Owner and Construction Manager encourage and seek participation of MBE/WBE/SBE.

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION
1-2-1	Earthwork/Utilities	1-9-2	Flooring
1-2-2	Asphalt Paving	1-10-1	Lockers
1-2-3	Site Concrete	1-13-1	Pool Equipment
1-2-4	Landscape	1-12-1	Bleachers
1-2-5	Irrigation Wells	1-15-1	North - Mechanical
1-6-1	General Trades	1-15-2	South - Mechanical
1-7-1	Roofing/Sliding/Sheet Metal	1-15-3	Beach/WSC - Mechanical
1-8-1	North - Aluminum Entrance/Storefronts/Windows	1-16-1	North - Electrical
1-8-2	South - Aluminum Entrance/Storefronts/Windows	1-16-2	South - Electrical
1-8-3	Beach - Aluminum Entrance/Storefronts/Windows	1-16-3	Beach - Electrical
1-9-1	Drywall & Acoustical		

Bid Proposals are requested and will be received as a "single lump sum proposal" prior to 2:00 p.m., local time, on Tuesday, February 8, 2005. Bids are to be submitted to: Chelsea School District, Administrative Offices, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, Michigan.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25, 2005 at 2:00 pm at the 542 Washington Street, Room 405.

Bid security in the form of bonds are required to be submitted with all proposals. Bid security in the form of a certified check is acceptable bid security only for proposal less than \$50,000.

All bids shall be accompanied by a sworn statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the Owner(s) or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education of the School District or the Superintendent of the School District. The Board of Education shall not accept a bid that does not include a sworn and notarized familial relationship disclosure statement.

All questions and bid document requests should be directed to the Construction Manager via facsimile. To obtain one set of plans and specifications, contact the Construction Manager. Plans and specifications will be on file for reference at the following locations:

Granger Construction Company 6267 Aurelius Road/P.O. Box 22187 Lansing, MI 48909 (517) 393-1670	Builders Exchange Of Kalamazoo 3431 E. Kigore Kalamazoo, MI 49002 (269) 349-2507/(269) 349-9306 Fax	CMD - Construction Market Data 40000 Grand River Avenue, Suite 404 Novi, MI 48375 (248) 471-5811/(248) 471-6103 Fax
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Coffee with the Editor

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Thursday, January 20 and 27
at Foggy Bottom Coffee House
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Share story ideas, suggestions for improvement and general concerns about the newspaper, or just shoot the breeze about current events in Chelsea and Dexter. We want to hear from you.

CITY OF CHELSEA
LAST DAY TO REGISTER
TO VOTE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2005
8 A.M. UNTIL 5 P.M.
FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Chelsea City
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 305 S. Main St., Suite 100, Chelsea, MI to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,
You must amend your registration record.
Special Election is being held for the purpose of voting on the following proposal(s):

PROPOSAL A
PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE TAX LIMITATION TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BY PROVIDING FUNDING TO RENOVATE THE JAIL AND INCREASE JAIL CAPACITY, CONSTRUCT A DISTRICT COURT AND RESIDENTIAL PROBATION CENTER AND PAY FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS RELATED TO THE JAIL AND JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAMS.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed three quarters of one mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) on the taxable value of such property for a period of twenty years, beginning with the December 1, 2005 tax levy, (which will generate estimated revenues of \$9,600,000.00 in the first year) to enhance public safety by acquiring, constructing and renovating an upgrade and addition to the Washtenaw County Jail, the 14-A District Court, a Probation Residential Facility, and mental health diversion and treatment facilities, and operating the jail and jail diversion programs designed to provide alternative rehabilitation for appropriate individuals?"

The County Treasurer's Statement:
I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Wednesday, January 05, 2005, the records of this office indicate that the total of all vote increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in:

City of Chelsea
Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:
Charter millages are not over and above the tax limitation, but are listed here for information purposes.

	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6699	12/2019
Chelsea School District	Operating	17.0607	2013
	Non-Homestead		
	Headlee	2.899	2014
	Non-Homestead		
	Sinking	0.9457	2007
City of Chelsea	School Facilities	2.14	2025
	DDA	1.7191	2005
	Solid Waste	0.4469	Indefinite
	Streets	1.5594	Indefinite
	Operating	20	2004
Dexter District Library	Library Support	0.4461	Indefinite
Lima Township	Operating	0.8656	Indefinite
Sylvan Township	Allocated Operating	0.9474	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	1.0497	Indefinite
	Operating	0.9611	2011
	Operating	0.5919	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8121	6/2007
Washtenaw County	Operating	4.611	Indefinite
	HCMA	0.2154	Indefinite
	Natural Areas	0.2443	2011
	Parks	0.24	2009
	Parks	0.2386	2007
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Special Ed Operating	1	2004-2010
	Gen Ed Operating	0.1	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	2.935	Indefinite

Dated: Wednesday, January 05, 2005

Washtenaw County Treasurer, Catherine McClary
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Teresa Burch, Clerk

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CHELSEA

Kissman reflects on time before tsunami hit

Former Chelsea school administrator spent time in Malaysia

By Renee Lapham Collins
Heritage Newspapers

In December 2001, Brian Kissman and his family were living in Kuala Lumpur, the capital city of Malaysia.

"Three years ago to the day, if the tsunami had happened, I'd either be dead or on TV with an amazing survivor's story," said Brian Kissman, the former curriculum director in Chelsea schools.

Kissman was director of curriculum and school improvement for one of the top private international schools there. During the Christmas holiday, the family spent several days in Phuket (Poo-ket) and on Phi Phi (Pea-Pea) Island.

"Phuket and Phi Phi are two of the main destinations for people in the international community in Malaysia," he said. "We were there in 2001. We spent four or five days in Phuket and three or four days on Phi Phi, where we went snorkeling."

Kissman draws a rough map of the area on a piece of paper.

"Phi Phi is like a big rock with vegetation on it," he said as he marks out the places where tourists stayed in small cabanas or huts. "You can only get from one side of the island to the other

by boat. This was all washed away in the tsunami."

Geographically, Phuket lies on the west coast of the Thai peninsula overlooking the Andaman Sea. The southern portion of the peninsula is Malaysia, with Singapore located at the very tip. Kuala Lumpur was protected from the tsunami by the Indonesian island of Sumatra, which had the highest death toll from the disaster.

The pristine beaches, turquoise water, and tropical, lush rainforests have made this part of the world a popular tourist destination, particularly for those from Europe seeking sunshine in the winter. Phi Phi and Phuket are to Europeans what Caribbean destinations are to Americans.

"From Kuala Lumpur, it's only a three hour flight, and it's cheap airfare," Kissman said.

On Dec. 26, when Kissman first heard news of the disaster, he was in a state of near disbelief.

"It was happening in a place we know and may have affected some of our friends. We were close to many families over there and still are. We thought of them immediately, worried that one of them would have been injured or killed."

Kissman and his family immediately began sending e-mail to friends in the area to check on their whereabouts.

"We e-mailed our friends and miraculously, everyone was vacationing on the east

coast of Malaysia or in Vietnam other than in areas ravaged by the tsunami," he said. "We did have some friends vacationing in Sri Lanka. They survived. They lost all they had, but survived along with their child."

Watching the footage of the disaster was particularly unsettling.

"I saw the boardwalk that I had been standing on three years ago now washed out, but I recognized it," he said. "It touches me in a way that other people who haven't been there may not fully understand."

Kissman, who also has taught in international

schools in West Africa, Tokyo, Paris, Geneva and the Spanish Canary Islands, says that "no one ever talked about a tsunami because it wasn't seen as a threat."

"I was worried about earthquakes in Tokyo, and even experienced one there," he said. "But I never worried about that in Malaysia or Southeast Asia."

The Kissmans arrived in Kuala Lumpur in June 2001, three months before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. From the start, they were treated with kindness and hospitality.

"When Sept. 11 happened, Malaysians came up to us and apologized to us and told us that it wasn't what Islam was all about."

Kissman watched broadcast after broadcast, and each day saw new video

footage of the disaster and what was left of the place he visited three years ago.

"I was watching some of the video on television and there was a couple who talked about the kindness of the Thai people," Kissman said. "I heard how some Thai people cared for others even after they had lost every-

thing. The Thai people are very gracious and unselfish. To them, foreigners are guests of honor in their country and also their responsibility."

After the deadly quake and tsunamis struck, little was left of the coastal areas. As of Sunday, the death toll had risen to more than 155,000

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Brian Kissman

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGTO BE HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2005
7:00 P.M. - SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL
18027 OLD US 12, CHELSEA, MI 48118

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

Variance application has been received for an appeal for floor area ratio, side and rear yard setbacks to construct a 1,094 square foot (two stories and a basement) house at 450 Highland Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act) MCLA 41.72a(2)(3) and the American With Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Sylvan Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, upon 14 days notice to the Sylvan Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sylvan Township board by writing or calling the following:

LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk
18027 Old US 12
Chelsea, MI 48118
(734) 475-8890

A copy of this notice and application with supporting documents are on file in the Office of the Clerk.

LUANN S. KOCH, CLERK

Posted: January 10, 2005
Publish: January 20, 2005

LIMA TOWNSHIP
NOTICE TO RESIDENTS
AMENDMENT TO THE
OFFICIAL ZONING MAP

Please note the following amendment to the Official Zoning Map, to rezone Parcels G-07-09-300-018, -020, and -021, from A-1 (Agriculture) to RR (Rural Residential), 34 acres +/-.

The property is located in Section 09, Lima Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, commonly known as Hickory Hollow Drive. The property is owned by Iridium Properties, LLC.

I hereby certify this is a true and complete copy of an ordinance amendment approved by the Lima Township Board at their regular meeting on January 10, 2005. Effective date thirty days after publication.

Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk

Publish: January 20, 2005

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGTO BE HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2005
7:15 P.M. - SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL
18027 OLD US 12, CHELSEA, MI 48118

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

7:15pm - To hear public comment on the proposed rezoning of the following property from AG (Agriculture) to PUD (Planned Unit Development), or such other zoning district that may be determined to be appropriate.

Parcel No's F-06-01-300-034; F-06-01-300-002; F-06-02-400-021; F-06-02-400-019

DESCRIPTION

Premises situated in the Township of Sylvan, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the South corner common to Section 1 and Section 2, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; thence along the South line of said Section 2 and along the centerline of Sibley Road, WEST 462.70 feet to the centerline of Letts Creek; thence along said centerline in the following ten (10) courses: N46°24'00"W 43.87 feet, N66°45'57"W 275.61 feet, N61°48'19"W 371.61 feet, N42°33'14"W 53.08 feet, N35°31'20"W 98.75 feet, N38°39'31"W 118.12 feet, N29°15'22"W 58.84 feet, N47°41'41"W 31.01 feet, N63°51'35"W 26.62 feet to the centerline of Bush Road and S89°24'45"W 14.00 feet to a point on the West line of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 2; thence along said West line, N00°18'00"E 725.00 feet; thence continuing along said West line, N00°27'00"E 1171.58 feet; thence S89°56'49"E 1322.17 feet to a point on the line between said Section 1 and said Section 2; thence along said common line, S00°04'30"W 1543.84 feet; thence N89°21'20"E 823.68 feet; thence S00°03'30"W 350.00 feet; thence N89°21'20"E 498.00 feet to a point on the East line of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 1 and on the centerline of Werker Road; thence along said East line and along said centerline S00°03'30"W 348.06 feet; thence N87°43'55"W 337.23 feet; thence S00°03'30"W 330.67 feet to the South line of said Section 1 and the centerline of Sibley Road; thence along said South line and said centerline, N87°43'55"W 600.67 feet; thence N02°16'05"E 231.00 feet; thence N87°43'55"W 185.00 feet; thence S02°16'05"W 231.00 feet to a point on the South line of said Section 1 and on the centerline of Sibley Road; thence along said South line and along said centerline, N87°43'55"W 219.95 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 1 and part of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 2 containing 94.20 acres of land, more or less. Being subject to the rights of the public over the Easterly 47 feet of Bush Road and the Northerly 33 feet of Sibley Road and the Westerly 33 feet of Werker Road. Also being subject to a Grant of Public Utility Easement in favor of the Village (now City) of Chelsea as recorded in Liber 3894, Page 157, Washtenaw County Records over the area described as follows: The East 44 feet of the South 678.73 feet of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 1, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Also being subject to a Right-of-Way in favor of the Consumers Power Company as recorded in Liber 538, Page 250, Washtenaw County Records over the area described as follows: The East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 2, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Also being subject to a Right-of-Way in favor of the Washtenaw County Drain Commissioner as recorded in Liber 575, Page 87, Washtenaw County Records over the area described as follows: The West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 2, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Also being subject to a Right-of-Way in favor of the Washtenaw County Drain Commissioner as recorded in Liber 605, Page 573, Washtenaw County Records, being a strip of land 75 feet wide on each side of the centerline of a drain which lies in a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 1 and / or a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 2, T2S, R3E, Sylvan Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing 5 chains and 83 1/4 links East of the Section corners of Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12 in the Township of Sylvan; thence N 15 chains and 53 links; thence W 3/4 S 25 chains and 83 1/4 links to the center of the road; thence S 5 chains and 25 links; thence W 7 chains and 92 1/2 links; thence S 10 chains and 10 links to the Section line between Sections 2 and 11; thence East along the center of the highway 33 chains and 75 3/4 links to a Place of Beginning, containing 47.81 acres except about 8 acres off from the West end lying West of the highway. Also being subject to other easements and restrictions of record, if any.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act) MCLA 41.72(2)(3) and the American With Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Sylvan Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audit tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, upon 14 days notice to the Sylvan Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sylvan Township board by writing or calling the following:

LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk
18027 Old US 12
Chelsea, MI 48118
(734) 475-3353

Publish: January 20, 2005

LYNDON TOWNSHIP
LAST DAY TO REGISTER
TO VOTETUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2005
10:00 a.m. Until 4:00 p.m.
FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Lyndon Township
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,

YOU MUST AMEND YOUR REGISTRATION RECORD.

Special Election is being held for the purpose of voting on the following proposal(s):

PROPOSAL A

PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE TAX LIMITATION TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BY PROVIDING FUNDING TO RENOVATE THE JAIL AND INCREASE JAIL CAPACITY, CONSTRUCT A DISTRICT COURT AND RESIDENTIAL PROBATION CENTER AND PAY FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS RELATED TO THE JAIL AND JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAMS.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed three quarters of one mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) on the taxable value of such property for a period of twenty years, beginning with the December 1, 2005 tax levy, (which will generate estimated revenues of \$9,600,000.00 in the first year) to enhance public safety by acquiring, constructing and renovating an upgrade and addition to the Washtenaw County Jail, the 14-A District Court, a Probation Residential Facility, and mental health diversion and treatment facilities, and operating the jail and jail diversion programs designed to provide alternative rehabilitation for appropriate individuals?"

The County Treasurer's Statement:

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Wednesday, December 15, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all vote increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lyndon Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Washtenaw County	4.611 mill Operating	Indefinite
	0.2386 mill Parks	2007
	0.24 mill Parks	2009
	0.2443 mill Natural Areas	2011
	0.2154 mill HCMA	Indefinite
Lyndon Township	0.7576 mill Charter	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	1.0497 mill Charter	Indefinite
	0.9611 mill Operating	6/2011
	0.5919 mill Operating	Indefinite
	0.8121 mill Operating	6/2007
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	0.1000 mill Gen Ed	Indefinite
	Operating	
	2.935 mill Special Ed	2.935
	Operating	
	1.0 mill Special Ed	2004-2010
	Operating	
Ingham Intermediate School District	4.5381 mill Special Ed	Indefinite
	1.3002 mill Vocational Ed	Indefinite
	0.1908 mill Operating - all	Indefinite
Chelsea Public Schools	17.0607 mill Operating	2013
	Non-homestead	
	2.899 mill Headlee	2014
	Non-homestead	
	0.9457 mill Sinking	2007
	2.14 mill School Facilities	2025
Chelsea District Library	1.6699 mill Operating	12/2019
Stockbridge Public Schools	14.976 mill Operating	12/2004
	Non-homestead	
	5.5816 mill Operating	12/2004
	Non-homestead	

Dated: Wednesday, December 15, 2004

Washtenaw County Treasurer Catherine McClary
Published in compliance with Section 498 of Michigan Election Law and MCLA 211.203(3) being part of the Michigan Property Tax Limitation Act.
Linda Reilly, Clerk

Publish: January 13, 2005
January 20, 2005

LIMA TOWNSHIP
LAST DAY TO REGISTER
TO VOTEMonday, January 24, 2005
9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon
FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF LIMA TOWNSHIP

Notice: I will be at my office, 11452 Jackson Road, Lima Township Hall, to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY,

You must amend your registration record.

Special Election is being held for the purpose of voting on the following proposal:

PROPOSAL A

PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE TAX LIMITATION TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BY PROVIDING FUNDING TO RENOVATE THE JAIL AND INCREASE JAIL CAPACITY, CONSTRUCT A DISTRICT COURT AND RESIDENTIAL PROBATION CENTER AND PAY FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS RELATED TO THE JAIL AND JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAMS.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed three quarters of one mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) on the taxable value of such property for a period of twenty years, beginning with the December 1, 2005 tax levy, (which will generate estimated revenues of \$9,600,000.00 in the first year) to enhance public safety by acquiring, constructing and renovating an upgrade and addition to the Washtenaw County Jail, the 14-A District Court, a Probation Residential Facility, and mental health diversion and treatment facilities, and operating the jail and jail diversion programs designed to provide alternative rehabilitation for appropriate individuals?"

The County Treasurer's Statement:

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Wednesday, December 15, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all vote increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lima Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6699	12/2019
Chelsea School District	School Facilities	2.14	2025
	Operating	17.0607	2013
	Non-Homestead		
	Sinking	0.9457	2007
	Headlee	2.899	2014
	Non-Homestead		
Dexter Community Schools	Operating	2.7282	2013
	Non-Homestead		
	Operating	18	2013
	Non-Homestead		
Dexter District Library	Library Support	0.4461	Indefinite
Lima Township	Operating	0.8656	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	0.9611	2011
	Operating	1.0497	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8121	6/2007
	Operating	0.5919	Indefinite
Washtenaw County	Parks	0.2386	2007
	Parks	0.24	2009
	Natural Areas	0.2443	2011
	HCMA	0.2154	Indefinite
	Operating	4.611	Indefinite
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	General Ed Operating	0.1	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	2.935	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	1	2004-2010

Dated: Wednesday, December 15, 2004

Catherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer
Published in compliance with Section 498 of Michigan Election Law and MCLA 211.203(3) being part of Michigan Property Tax Limitation Act.
Date: January 13, 2005

Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk

Publish: January 13, 2005
January 20, 2005

STATE

Jaycees promoting organization

The Michigan Junior Chamber Jaycees and 81st State President Bob Peacock are touring the state to "Wake Up Michigan" by showcasing their organization.

During U.S. Jaycee Week through Saturday, Peacock has been traveling the state, working to publicize the local Jaycee chapters and encouraging young people to "Live the Dream." Michigan Jaycees' theme for 2005.

Founded in St. Louis in 1920, Jaycees is in its ninth decade of service. Since then, the group has grown to become the largest leadership training organization in the world.

The Jaycees have chapters in all 50

states and 120 countries.

The Michigan Jaycees consist of more than 80 chapters and 3,300 members throughout the state. Jaycees is an organization that gives individuals between the ages of 21 and 40 an opportunity to gain leadership skills while making a positive impact on their communities.

The group's programming offers members social opportunities, personal development, business networking and government involvement projects to work on with fellow residents.

The purpose of the Wake Up Michigan tour is to raise community awareness of the Jaycees organization.

Many of the local chapter projects — Easter egg hunts, haunted house tours and community fund-raisers — depend on the support and participation of the local community.

The Jaycees are looking to grow the organization, both through new programming and by adding new members.

The U.S. Jaycees theme, "We Help People," is twofold, helping people by providing programs to and for the community, while helping its own members to grow by trying something new and learning new skills.

For more information about the organization, go to the Web site www.mijaycees.org.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Scholarships available for camp

Top high school musicians from across the country have the opportunity to apply for an Emerson Scholarship Award to the world-famous Interlochen Arts Camp in northern Michigan.

Fifty students will receive a full scholarship for the 2005 Interlochen Arts Camp. The merit-based scholarships are funded through a grant from St. Louis-based Emerson.

The Emerson Scholars Award is a \$5,582 scholarship, which provides full tuition, private lessons, and room and board for the six-week summer program. Interlochen's 78th camp ses-

son dates are June 25 through Aug. 8.

Applicants must be in grades ninth through 12th and demonstrate exceptional proficiency on harp, string, wind or percussion instruments. An audition submitted on tape or CD is required with the application.

Applications must be postmarked by Feb. 15. Winners will be announced by April 15.

Established in 1987, the Emerson Scholars Program recognizes exceptional high school musicians and gives them an opportunity to hone their talents in an environ-

ment that is recognized around the world as the premier training ground for young artists.

"This is one of the most prestigious scholarship offerings at Interlochen," President Jeffrey Kimpton said in a press release. "Thanks to the generosity of Emerson, we can provide some of this nation's top young artists

with an artistic experience unlike any other."

For more information, or to obtain an application, e-mail admissions@interlochen.org or call 1-231-276-7472 or write the Emerson Scholars Program, Interlochen Center for the Arts, P.O. Box 199, Interlochen, MI 49643.

Complete information also is available online at www.interlochen.org.

CHECK OUT OUR CLASSIFIEDS TODAY!

LIMA TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING — JANUARY 10, 2005

The regular meeting of the Lima Township Board was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on January 10, 2005 and opened with the Pledge to the Flag. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees Laier and McKenzie and Zoning Administrator Wesolowski. Also present, several residents and guests.

Supervisor called a public hearing to order to expand Industrial Development District #1, MACDEE, Inc. Public hearing closed at 8:09 p.m. Supervisor called a public hearing to hear the tax abatement request by MACDEE, Inc. in connection with new construction and new equipment. Public hearing closed at 8:25 p.m.

Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to amend the agenda by adding expansion of Industrial Development District #1 MACDEE, Inc. and consideration of the tax abatement request by MACDEE, Inc. and place the items early in the new business section. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2005 regular meeting, and the special meetings of December 14, 2004 and January 3, 2005. Carried.

The treasurer's report was received. Zoning Administrator issued permits for 3 new homes, 1 garage, 1 temporary trailer and 2 addresses. His annual report was submitted.

Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to approve rezoning application #04-004 by Iridium Properties to rezone parcels G07-09-300-018, -020, -021 from A-1 (Agriculture) to RR (Rural Residential) as recommended by the Lima Township Planning Commission, with the understanding that Iridium Properties is aware of the need for proper road easement, road specifications and construction.

Ayes: McKenzie, Laier, Bareis, Unterbrink, Nays: Havens, Absent: None. Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to adopt the following resolution 2005-01 to expand Industrial Development District No. 1 for MACDEE, Inc. (Complete text is on file).

Ayes: Bareis, McKenzie, Laier, Havens and Unterbrink. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Resolution 2005-02 was offered by Bareis supported by Laier, contingent upon receipt of revised IFT application, equipment and machinery list and lease. The Lima Township Board finds and determines the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of Lima Township or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit, which levies taxes in Lima Township. The application of MACDEE, Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Certificate with respect to a new facility to be constructed and machinery to be installed on (legal description on file) commonly known as 13800 Luick Drive, for a period of 12 years. (Complete text is on file).

Ayes: McKenzie, Laier, Bareis and Unterbrink. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by Laier to approve resolution No. 2005-03 regarding pre-ordinance private roads. Therefore be it resolved, that all private roads in existence prior to the adoption of the Lima Township Private Road Ordinance dated June 6, 1979 and amended July 2, 2001, shall comply with provisions of said ordinance. (Complete text is on file).

Ayes: McKenzie, Laier, Bareis and Unterbrink. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to support the recommendation to appoint Howard Sias to the Lima Township Planning Commission for 3 year term. Carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Bareis to approve the appointment of Ken Klovski to a 3 year term to the Lima Township Planning Commission. 3 ayes, 2 nays. Carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Bareis to approve the appointment of Kenneth Unterbrink as representative and Greg McKenzie as alternate to the Chelsea Area Fire Authority for a 3 year term. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Havens to support the appointment of Bob Spink as Emerald Ash Borer Coordinator. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to table adoption of the Ordinance for Adoption of the International Fire Code and NFPA Life Safety Code until the March meeting, pending further information from the Dexter Fire Department and Chelsea Area Construction Agency. Carried. Motion by Laier supported by Havens to approve board of review training for Marlene Consiglio and Kenneth Unterbrink on February 7, 2005. Carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Bareis to pay bills as presented. Carried.

Motion by Laier supported by McKenzie to adjourn at 11:35 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk

Publish: January 20, 2005

DEXTER TOWNSHIP LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

MONDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 2005
8:30 A.M. until 4:30 P.M.
FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 2005

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF DEXTER TOWNSHIP
NOTICE: The Dexter Township Clerk's office, located in the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI, 48130, will be open on the above date during the stated time period to register qualified electors and amend registration records. Questions should be directed to Harley B. Rider, Dexter Township Clerk, at (734) 426-3767.

If you have moved recently, you must amend your registration record.

THIS SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed three quarters of one mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) on the taxable value of such property for a period of twenty years, beginning with the December 1, 2005 tax levy, (which will generate estimated revenues of \$9,600,000.00 in the first year) to enhance public safety by acquiring, constructing and renovating an upgrade and addition to the Washtenaw County Jail, the 14-A District Court, a Probation Residential Facility, and mental health diversion and treatment facilities, and operating the jail and jail diversion programs designed to provide alternative rehabilitation for appropriate individuals?"

Published in compliance with MCL 168.498 of Michigan Election Law. Date: January 4th, 2005

Harley B. Rider, Clerk

The County Treasurer's Statement: (Published in compliance with MCLA 211.203(3), being part of Michigan Property Tax Limitation Act.

1. Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of December 15th, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Dexter Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows: (Charter millage, are not over and above the tax limitations, but are listed here for information purposes.)

Washtenaw County	4.611 mill operating	Indefinite
	0.24 mill parks	2009
	0.2443 mill parks Natural	2011
	0.2154 mill HCMA	Indefinite
	0.2366 mill natural areas	2007
	0.8527 mill charter	Indefinite
Dexter Township	1.0000 mill fire	2005
	1.8674 mill police	2005
Washtenaw Community College	1.0497 mill operating	Indefinite
	0.9611 mill operating	2011
	0.5919 mill operating	Indefinite
	0.8121 mill operating	2007
Chelsea Public Schools	17.0607 mill non-homestead	2013
	2.899 mill non-homestead	2014
	0.9457 mill sinking	2007
	2.1400 mill school facilities	2025
Chelsea District Library	1.6699 mill operating	2019
Dexter Community Schools	18.0000 mill non-homestead	2013
	2.7282 mill non-homestead	2013
Dexter Library District	0.4461 mill	Indefinite
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	0.1 mill general Ed operating	Indefinite
	2.935 mill special Ed operating	Indefinite
	1.00 mill special Ed operating	2004-2010
Pinckney Community Schools	16.9355 mill operating non-homestead	2005
	2.8225 mill operating non-homestead	2004

Dated: December 15th, 2004
Washtenaw County Treasurer Catherine McClary.

Publish: January 13, 2005
January 20, 2005

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M. AT
DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI. 48130

AGENDA

- 1) Discuss and Review Hartmann, Rezone
- 2) Discuss and Review Hanover Glen, Private Roads
- 3) Discuss and Review Copper Meadows, Private Roads and Amended Site Plans

John Shea,
Chairman

Publish: January 20, 2005

WEBSTER TOWNSHIP LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2005
8 A.M. UNTIL 4 P.M.
FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Webster Township
NOTICE: I will be at my office, 5665 Webster Church Road, to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY, You must amend your registration record. Special Election is being held for the purpose of voting on the following proposal(s):

PROPOSAL A
PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE TAX LIMITATION TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BY PROVIDING FUNDING TO RENOVATE THE JAIL AND INCREASE JAIL CAPACITY, CONSTRUCT A DISTRICT COURT AND RESIDENTIAL PROBATION CENTER AND PAY FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS RELATED TO THE JAIL AND JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAMS.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed three quarters of one mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) on the taxable value of such property for a period of twenty years, beginning with the December 1, 2005 tax levy, (which will generate estimated revenues of \$9,600,000.00 in the first year) to enhance public safety by acquiring, constructing and renovating an upgrade and addition to the Washtenaw County Jail, the 14-A District Court, a Probation Residential Facility, and mental health diversion and treatment facilities, and operating the jail and jail diversion programs designed to provide alternative rehabilitation for appropriate individuals?"

The County Treasurer's Statement:		
Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Ann Arbor District Library		
Operating	1.9476	Indefinite
Ann Arbor Public Schools		
Building and Site Operating		
Sinking Fund	1	2004-2009
Operating Hold Harmless	12.7598	2009
Operating	17.973	2009
Non-Homestead		
Dexter Community Schools		
Operating	18	2013
Non-Homestead		
Operating	2.7282	2013
Non-Homestead		
Dexter District Library		
Library Support	0.4461	Indefinite
Livingston Educational Service Agency		
Operating Special	1.2815	Indefinite
Operating Special	1.0324	Indefinite
Operating General	0.0685	Indefinite
Pinckney Community Schools		
Operating	16.9355	2005
Non-Homestead		
Operating	2.8225	2004
Non-Homestead		
Washtenaw Community College		
Operating	0.8121	6/2007
Operating	0.5919	Indefinite
Operating	0.9611	2011
Operating	1.0497	Indefinite
Washtenaw County		
Operating	4.611	Indefinite
Parks	0.2386	2007
HCMA	0.2154	Indefinite
Parks	0.24	2009
Natural Areas	0.2443	2011
Washtenaw Intermediate School District		
Special Ed Operating	2.935	Indefinite
Special Ed Operating	1	2004-2010
Gen Ed Operating	0.1	Indefinite
Webster Township		
Allocated Operating	0.8008	Indefinite
Public Safety	0.9094	6/2005
Whitmore Lake Schools		
Operating	17.4286	2006
Non-Homestead		
Operating Non-Homestead	1.9365	2006
Homestead-Headlee Recreation Millage	0.6165	2023

Date: January 6, 2005
Washtenaw County Treasurer, Catherine McClary

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Mary Dee Heller, Clerk

Publish: January 13, 2005 and January 20, 2005

Coffee with the Editor

Meet with Michelle Rogers, editor of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 20 and 27, at Foggy Bottom Coffee House 7065 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road Dexter Crossing Shopping Center

Share story ideas, suggestions for improvement and general comments about the newspaper, or just shoot the breeze about current events in Chelsea and Dexter. We want to hear from you.



SYLVAN TOWNSHIP LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2005
9 a.m. UNTIL 12 Noon
FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SYLVAN TOWNSHIP
NOTICE: I will be in my office, 18027 Old US 12, to register qualified electors and amend registration records.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED RECENTLY, YOU MUST AMEND YOUR REGISTRATION RECORD

The Special Election is being held for the purpose of voting on the following proposal(s):

PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE TAX LIMITATION TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BY PROVIDING FUNDING TO RENOVATE THE JAIL AND INCREASE JAIL CAPACITY, CONSTRUCT A DISTRICT COURT AND RESIDENTIAL PROBATION CENTER AND PAY FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS RELATED TO THE JAIL AND JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAMS.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed three quarters of one mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) on the taxable value of such property for a period of twenty years, beginning with the December 1, 2005 tax levy, (which will generate estimated revenues of \$9,600,000.00 in the first year) to enhance public safety by acquiring, constructing and renovating an upgrade and addition to the Washtenaw County Jail, the 14-A District Court, a Probation Residential Facility, and mental health diversion and treatment facilities, and operating the jail and jail diversion program designed to provide alternative rehabilitation for appropriate individuals?"

Treasurer's Statement:

1. Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Wednesday, December 22, 2004, the records of this office indicate that the total of all vote increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in:

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Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows: Charter millages are not over and above the tax limitation, but are listed here for information purposes.

Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library		
Operating	1.6699	12/2019
Chelsea School District		
Operating	17.0607	2013
Non-Homestead		
Headlee	2.899	2014
Sinking	0.9457	2007
School Facilities	2.14	2025
Ingham Intermediate School District		
Operating-All	0.1908	Indefinite
Vocational Ed-All	1.3002	Indefinite
Special Ed All	4.5381	Indefinite
Sylvan Township		
Allocated Operating	0.9474	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College		
Operating	1.0497	Indefinite
Operating	0.9611	2011
Operating	0.8121	6/2007
Operating	0.5919	Indefinite
Washtenaw County		
HCMA	0.2154	Indefinite
Operating	4.611	Indefinite
Parks	0.2386	2007
Parks	0.24	2009
Natural Areas	0.2443	2011
Washtenaw Intermediate School District		
Gen Ed Operating	0.1	Indefinite
Special Ed Operating	1	2004-2010
Special Ed Operating	2.935	Indefinite

Dated: Wednesday, December 22, 2004
Washtenaw County Treasurer, Catherine McClary

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LuAnn S. Koch, Clerk

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DEATHS

INA HAARER PROCTOR

Ina Haarer Proctor, 92, of Chelsea, formerly of Dexter, died Jan. 12, 2005, at the Chelsea Retirement Community's Towsley Village. She was born March 11, 1912, in Plymouth to Harry and Gladys Macomber.

She was the beloved wife of Oscar Haarer and Kenneth Proctor, both of whom preceded her in death.

Mrs. Proctor was a bookkeeper for many years at the Ann Arbor, Credit Bureau, Dexter Co-op and the University of Michigan. She

was a faithful member of St. Andrew's United Church of Christ in Dexter and a member of the Washtenaw County Farm Bureau. Mrs. Proctor had made her home in Dexter since 1926 and spent many winters upon her retirement in Sebring, Fla.

Mrs. Proctor will be remembered for her sweet and kind nature. She was a dear friend to all who knew her and was always willing to lend a helping hand wherever needed.

She is survived by her sisters, Marian Laidlaw of Chelsea and Irene Causley of Cadillac; and her stepchildren, Jayne (Walt) Bauer of

Williamston, Marjorie Robbins of Chelsea, Kenneth (Kay) Proctor of North Carolina and Don (Sally) Proctor of Tennessee.

She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, step-grandchildren, and step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers, Glen E. Macomber and George Macomber; a sister, Edith Austin; and a stepson-in-law, Robert Robbins, and a special nephew, Glen Richard Macomber, both of whom died in 2001.

A funeral was held Saturday at St. Andrew's United Church of

Christ in Dexter. The Rev. Gary Kwiatek officiated. Burial was at St. Andrew's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Andrew's United Church of Christ Building Fund or Chelsea Retirement Community-Towsley Village.

Arrangements were by Hosmer-Muehlberg Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

Mrs. Proctor's family wishes to thank all of the caregivers at the Chelsea Retirement Community and Towsley Village for the loving and compassionate care given to her during her stay there. God bless all of you.

JANET MARIE HAFLEY

Janet Marie Hafley, 50, of Ann Arbor died Jan. 16, 2005, at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was born Feb. 21, 1954, in Jackson, to Merle and Helen (Hartmann) Sibley, and they survive.

Mrs. Hafley lived in the area all of her life, graduating from Chelsea High School in 1973. She enjoyed gardening, crafts, canning and cooking. She belonged to 4-H for many years, showing horses in western showmanship and was the state champion in high jump.

Surviving are two brothers, Dale Sibley and Dennis Sibley; two sisters, Carol Sibley and Pamela LaPorte; her companion, Michael Sheridan, and several nieces and nephews.

A private funeral service will be held today at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home Samuel Grimes will officiate. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea.

The family received friends Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

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CHELSEA AREA

Sportsmen celebrate at Wild Beast Feast

More than 400 people attend event organized by Sportsmen's AIM

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

More than 400 people enjoyed a good laugh Jan. 8 at the first Sportsmen's AIM Wild Beast Feast at Chelsea High School.

Mike O'Quinn, director for Sportsmen's AIM, was pleased with the turnout.

The event took hundreds of hours to plan. More than 50 volunteers helped set up. Organizer Brian Schulze, Marty Patrias, Vickie Denny, Lisa Stebelton, Barry Briggs, Mark Flaughner, John Kozma, and Mike and Kim Bass were among the volunteers.

"We put about as many people as the commons (cafeteria) could hold," O'Quinn said.

Steve Chapman, a poet and singer, was the evening's entertainment.

"I think he was able to connect with both Christians and sportsmen," O'Quinn said. "I

think people got to experience God in a new way."

Chelsea Food and Nutrition Director Karen Carty and her staff provided the catering with help from church volunteers.

"I was pleased with all the volunteers that helped," she said. "I think it was a wonderful opportunity to learn to cook some items that we do not normally cook."

Carty and her staff prepared elk and other wild game dishes.

During the dinner, hunting gear, glasses, crystal, hunting art and supplies were awarded. Participants also were able to bid on items to use for hunting or as memorabilia.

John Adams of Dexter Township won the grand prize, a range finder.

After the dinner, Chapman performed a variety of songs, stories and poems in the auditorium.

"I was impressed," Adams said. "I did not know what to expect. I thought it would be nice to get some of (Chapman's) music. Someday I would love to share his enthusiasm for the outdoors

with my kids as they grow older."

In keeping with the theme of hunting life, Chapman made the crowd roar with laughter as he got a father-and-son duo on stage to add sound effects to his music, using turkey calls. He also encouraged the crowd to sing along.

Chapman had the crowd cheering with his video clip of what goes on in a hunter's mind when he is ready to pull his bow, and shared his thoughts out loud. A camera mounted on his bow showed a few misguided arrows, which only added to the laughter.

Joel Kirchbaum and his son, Jim, of Chelsea, were invited on stage to help with one of Chapman's songs.

O'Quinn said that those serving on the Sportsmen's AIM ministry team put hundreds of hours into the event, beginning last summer.

"We were lucky to get Chapman to come," he said. "He helped us start the ministry off right."

The event was co-sponsored by many local businesses.



Photo by Rita Fischer

Mike O'Quinn (center), director for Sportsmen's AIM, was pleased with the turnout Jan. 8 at the first Sportsmen's AIM Wild Beast Feast at Chelsea High School. Steve Chapman (left), a poet and singer, was the evening's entertainment. They're pictured with Larry Lyons.

DEATHS

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RUBY BROWN

Dexter
Ruby Brown, 87, of Dexter died Jan. 13, 2005, at Chelsea Retirement Community. She was born Aug. 17, 1917.

Mrs. Brown was a charter member, lifelong member and past president of the Dexter American Legion Auxiliary Unit 557. She worked at the Dexter Pharmacy for many years.

Mrs. Brown spent many years volunteering for the Dexter Family Services and for the Dexter Senior Citizens.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Brown; son, Artie Simms, in 1989; and a sister, Kathryn Goudy, in 2002.

She is survived by a niece, Patricia M. (Earl) Horn of Kalamazoo; a nephew, John (Linda) Goudy of Port Huron; a niece, Paula (Robert) Gollino of Jupiter, Fla.; and great-nephews, Steven and Bryan Goudy, and Michael and Paul St. John.

Arrangements were by Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel in Dexter. Burial was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Dexter Senior Center or the Dexter American Legion Auxiliary.

CAROL BOULLION

Ypsilanti
Carol Boullion, 43, of Ypsilanti died Jan. 14, 2005, at Arbor Hospice Residence following a long battle with lung cancer. She was born Dec. 21, 1961, in Detroit. She was the adopted daughter of John and Mary Klapperich Boullion.

Mrs. Boullion is survived by her husband, Jack Palmer; her mother, Mary; two brothers, Ed (Leann) Boullion and Sam Boullion; five sisters, Jane (Roger) Boyce, Marcee (Frank) Bobo, Sally Koch, Beth (Richard) Chamberlain and Rita (Mike) Campbell; and several nieces and nephews, Jenny (Bobo) Schupbach, John Bobo, Channon Boullion, Phil Boullion, Adam Boullion, Ben Boyce, Rebekah (Boyce) Murphree, Jacob Boyce, Sierra Koch, Sam Koch, Cabrina Koch, Michael Campbell, Travis Campbell, Corey Chamberlain, Shawn Chamberlain.

She is also survived by grand-nephew and grandniece Max and Abby Schupbach; a stepdaughter, Buffy; and step-granddaughter, Shaferne.

She was preceded in death by her father, her in-laws, James and Dorothy Palmer; brother-in-law, Larry Koch; and niece, Katelyn

Campbell.
Ms. Boullion loved and was loved by her spouse and family, who surrounded her until death.

A Catholic memorial service was held Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church. The Rev. Brendan Walsh officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

Arrangements were by Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel.

NELDA M. NUTTLE

Burton
Nelda M. Nuttle, 84, of Burton died Jan. 13, 2005, at McLaren Regional Medical Center. She was born March 31, 1920, in Pinconning.

Mrs. Nuttle was owner and operator of Nell's Beauty Salon in Dexter.

Surviving are grandchildren Dale Nuttle of Hamburg, Dave (Melanie) Nuttle of Dexter; great-grandchildren Kala, Mason, Megan, Daniel, Nathan, Chrystal and Aaron; great-great-grandchildren Dylan and Matthew; a sister, Clara (Albert) Kehoe of Burton; several nieces and nephews; and a daughter-in-law, Joan Angonese of Hamburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Glen Nuttle, Feb. 14, 1933; three sons, David, Glen Jr. and Dale Nuttle; three sisters; two brothers; and a daughter-in-law, Sharon Frost.

A funeral was held Monday at the Brown Funeral Home in Flint. Interment was at Flint Memorial Park.

MARGARET G. GROSS

Farmington Hills
Formerly of Unadilla

Margaret G. Gross, 86, of Farmington Hills, formerly of Unadilla's Bruin Lake, died Jan. 15, 2005, at her home. She was born July 22, 1918, in Sturgis, Ky., to Cecil E and W. May (Wigginton) Prow.

On July 22, 1950, she married Edwin E. Gross and he preceded her in death in 1998.

Mrs. Gross enjoyed traveling, visiting with friends and spending time with her extended family. She was known for her sense of humor.

Mrs. Goss is survived by her son, Jerry (Sue) Hubbell of Farmington Hills; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; her brother, Albert C. Prow of Edgewood, Texas; and her special nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her infant sister, Anna May, and her other sister, Jimella. A funeral service was held

Tuesday at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. The Rev. Rolly Richert officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

MALLIE RISNER

Sarasota, Fla.
Formerly of Chelsea

Mallie Risner, 86, of Sarasota, Fla., died Jan. 14, 2005, of congestive heart failure at the Lakeside Terrace Nursing Home. She lived in Sarasota for approximately four years, and was a resident of Chelsea for many years.

Mrs. Risner's husband, Earlie, died in 1969 at age 54.

She is survived by two daughters, Christina Markgraf of Sarasota, Fla., and Geri Harmon of Brighton; a sister, Bertie Whitaker of Clinton; and a brother, Kemey, Fitch of Stockbridge; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Two brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

A funeral was held Tuesday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea, where visitation was held Monday. Burial was at Forrest Cemetery in Dexter.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Heart Association.

LANA JO PATON

Chelsea

Lana Jo Paton, 55, of Chelsea died Jan. 17, 2005, at Arbor Hospice in Ann Arbor. She was a beloved daughter, wife, mother and friend.

Mrs. Paton was born March 21, 1949, in Kalamazoo, the daughter of Joseph and Dorene Sullivan. She attended school in Ann Arbor and Howell, graduating from Howell High School in 1967. She also attended Western Michigan University.

It was during her schooling in Howell that she met her husband, Norm D. Paton. They were married Aug. 6, 1971.

For more than 20 years, Mrs.

Paton was a customer service representative at Thomson-Shore in Dexter, where she was loved and respected by both colleagues and customers.

She enjoyed gardening, taking care of her many pets, decorating for Christmas and spending time with her family.

Mrs. Paton was a wonderful person whose radiant personality touched all those who met her. She will be dearly missed, her family said.

Surviving are her husband of Chelsea; daughter, Laura (Travis) Tooker of Grand Junction; son, David (Patti) Paton of Ann Arbor; grandsons, Jordan and Cy Tooker of Grand Junction; father and step-mother, Joseph and Peggy Sullivan of Chelsea; great-grandmother, Edna Haab of Ann Arbor; brothers, James (Barbara) Sullivan of Traverse City and Charles (Barbara) Sullivan of Chelsea; sister, Laura (William) Cassell of Chelsea; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother.

A funeral was held yesterday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. Burial was at Mount Hope Cemetery in Waterloo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, Office of Gift Department, 10189 Palatine, Ill 60055-0189.

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CHELSEA

Library to host community read

Middle East this year's theme

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

The votes are in — and this year's choice for the Chelsea Reads Together community read is based on the theme Middle Eastern Experience, featuring "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini, "Persepolis" by Marjane Satrapi and "Habibi" by Naomi Shihab Nye.

"The blend of current events, culture and characterization makes these stories perfect for a community read," said Cathy Buehner, head of adult services at Chelsea District Library. "Each is an interesting and engaging tale that's also instructive, teaching us more about the world around us."

"The books were chosen not only because they are appropriate for a wide variety of ages — I love the inclusion of a graphic novel this year with 'Persepolis' — but also because the selections cover different areas of the Middle East."

Since starting in Seattle in 1998, community reads have been held across the country.

Last year, the Chelsea District Library and One World, One Family group, with sponsorship from Cranesbill Books and Edgar Norman Creative, presented the first "One Book, One Community: Chelsea Reads Together."

Hundreds of local adults and teens read and discussed "Warriors Don't Cry," by Melba Pattillo Beals, the author's memoir of a Little Rock High School in the late 1950s in the early days of racial integration. When Beals visited Chelsea last February, more than 400 people came to meet her and listen to her presentation.

For the second Chelsea Reads Together event, the steering committee — comprising Personke, Youth Services Librarian Karen Persello, Adult Services Librarian Tracy Malek and One World, One Family members Barb Alpern, Sandra Vadlamudi, Jennifer Kundak, Janet Kuras, and Lyn Arons — selected three themes: the Middle Eastern Experience, the Latino Experience and the African-American Experience. Each had a set of books for different age groups. Chelsea-area

residents were invited to vote on the selection. While the choices were tough, the Middle Eastern Experience won out.

"They are a wonderful collection of books that provide an incredible insight into the life, history and culture of the Middle East," said Shawn Personke, community relations and development coordinator of the Chelsea District Library.

"While each of the books was chosen for different reading levels — one for youth, one for teens/adults, one for adults — they are all excellent books. I've read all three, and they are all really good. I'd encourage all adults to read all three because together they're even better."

"The Kite Runner" has been on the New York Times' bestseller list for at least three months, and has been the featured book for several community reads across the country, Personke said. Borders Books named the book — about the friendship between two Afghan boys, and how the betrayal by one of the other affects their adult lives in Kabul and California — as the 2003 fiction winner of its Original Voices awards.

Satrapi, the author of "Persepolis," was recently a guest on NPR's "Diane Rehm" show.

"In fact, during the selection process for books to put on the ballot, Suzy Morse, a member of One World One Family, called me during the broadcast and said I should tune in as they were talking about this great book that would be perfect for the community read," Personke said.

"It's a graphic novel format, which means it's a type of comic book. The story is told in black-and-white strip panels. It's been compared to Art Spiegelman's groundbreaking 'Maus,' which is a great book too."

Personke said the format will appeal to teens. The story is an account of the author's years as a child in Tehran, years that saw the overthrow of the Shah's regime, the triumph of the Islamic Revolution and the devastating effects of war.

"It's funny, yet fascinating, especially when you see how American culture affects countries whose culture, history and religion is so dra-

matically different from our own," Personke said. "There are several references to pop culture of the '80s."

The Chelsea Reads Together community read will include several book discussions; a Friday night multicultural film series that will include a Feb. 4 movie about the Middle East; and two special events set for Feb 10 and 16.

On Feb. 10, Chelsea resident and award-winning storyteller Badria Jazairi will present some personal history. She is the great granddaughter of the Emir of Algeria, who was called the "Poet Warrior" by National Geographic and fought the French during the 1800s.

"Badria said these are stories she just has to tell," Personke said. "Because of its more mature themes, it's recommended for ages 14 and up."

On Feb. 16, the library and One World One Family will host Stephen Boyce, a National Endowment for the Humanities scholar and teacher at Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor. Boyce will host a presentation and dialogue, "America and the Middle East," focusing on the politics and culture of the region and how it has impacted America, and vice versa.

Naomi Shihab Nye, the Palestinian-American author of "Habibi," and an award-winning poet, will visit Chelsea March 14. Nye's book is about a 14-year-old



Artemis Eyster holds a copy of "Habibi," one of the three books selected for the community read, Chelsea Reads Together. The author, Naomi Shihab Nye, will visit Chelsea in March to talk about her book, her experiences as an Arab American, and international understanding.

Photo courtesy of Chelsea District Library

American girl who moves to the middle of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict to live with her father's family. She meets a new boyfriend who turns out to be Jewish, and her family, led by her wise grandmother, realizes the roots of both peoples, leaving readers with a sense and hope for peace in the Middle East.

"Habibi" is a book that expands your view of a volatile and painful part of the world," said Karen Persello, head of youth and teen services at the library. "Nye writes about warm, memorable Palestinian peo-

ple that we do not see in today's grim news. Habibi makes you see how special this area is and provides hope that it can be peaceful once again."

Since "Habibi" is part of the seventh-grade curriculum at Beach Middle School, many have read it, Personke said.

"But, really, Naomi Shihab Nye's visit is for families and

people of all ages as she'll be discussing, in addition to her book, life as a Palestinian American, how terrorism has affected all that her family built in America, and thoughts on peace and international understanding."

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MALAYSIA

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people. As relief workers continue to reach some of the hardest hit areas, more victims are being found, virtually all so badly decomposed from the 95 degree heat and 100 percent humidity that they are being shoveled into mass graves.

Kissman said he feels a special connection to the victims and survivors of the tsunami because of the time he spent

in that part of the world.

"I think that because I've been there, I feel a sense of ownership and connection," he said. "It has made me continue to follow the story and also to have some kind of fund-raiser here."

To that end, he's got students in Belleville participating in a dime drive.

"There are more than 90 million students in the U.S. If every one of them contributed a dime, it would be just shy of \$1 million," he said. "It could make a tremendous difference."

PLAY

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everything come together in the stage manager's position is a hugely rewarding task.

"It all came together so perfectly; it was pretty awesome," she said. "It's a good feeling to know that you could coordinate everything and everyone. The play is in the hands of the director up until the opening night; after that, it's the stage manager who makes it work or not work. It's a lot of pressure the first night."

Having talented and professional staff to work with makes it all easier, she added.

Wurster says that musicals are her favorite and being able to stage-manage "My Fair Lady" was great fun for her. She says the Players are looking at trying to do "Beauty and the Beast," but royalties would constitute a huge expense.

"There are so many great parts in that musical, but

people don't realize what it takes to make it happen," Wurster said.

Another good experience was putting together a show called "An Evening of Love and Laughter," in which she also performed the Lucy and Ethel chocolate factory skit with her friend who got her involved.

"People have teased me a bit because I'm always behind the scenes and not onstage," she said. "So I got onstage for that one."

Wurster has indeed had her turn on stage, including during Manchester High School productions.

This winter's dinner theatre production of "Love, Sex and the IRS" will be performed in the intimate atmosphere of the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room and will be a benefit for the Players' scholarship fund.

Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. with the play beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets include dinner and the show and are available by calling producer Clara Smith at 475-8713.

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NOTICE OF CIRCUIT COURT FORECLOSURE SALE
Pursuant to a Judgment of the 22nd Judicial Circuit Court, Washtenaw County, Michigan, entered on the July 7, 2004, Court File No. 2003-1100-CH, in which The City of Ypsilanti and Jon Ichesco were Plaintiff, and GAPPY-SHARIEFF, LLC, SHOEBOE M. SHARIEFF, Agent, was a defendant.

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The purpose of said sale is to satisfy the amount due on said Judgment together with interest and allowable expenses, said sum being \$84,536.89 as of the date of the sale.

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NOTICE OF CIRCUIT COURT FORECLOSURE SALE
Pursuant to a Judgment of the 22nd Judicial Circuit Court, Washtenaw County, Michigan, entered on the July 7, 2004, Court File No. 2003-1100-CH, in which The City of Ypsilanti and Jon Ichesco were Plaintiff, and GAPPY-SHARIEFF, LLC, SHOEBOE M. SHARIEFF, Agent, was a defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That on Thursday, February 3, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder at public auction of the Washtenaw County Courthouse building, 101 East Huron Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan, the following property in the City of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, commonly known as 326 East Michigan Avenue, with legal description of: Lot 213, Original Plat of Ypsilanti, as recorded in Transcript, page 162, Washtenaw County Records.

The purpose of said sale is to satisfy the amount due on said Judgment together with interest and allowable expenses, said sum being \$84,536.89 as of the date of the sale.

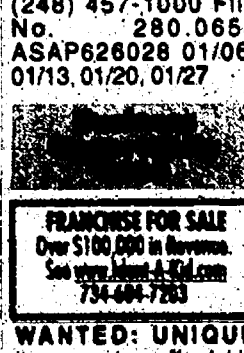
The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale.

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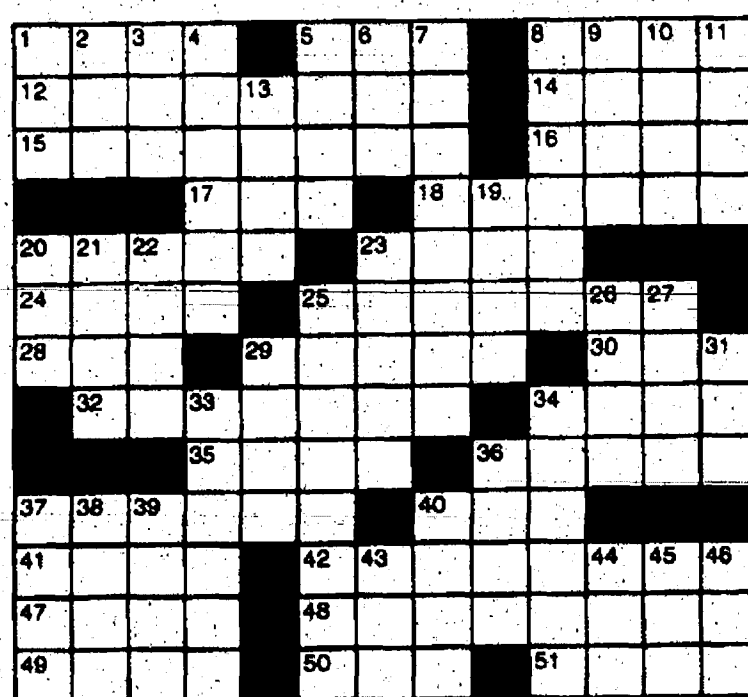
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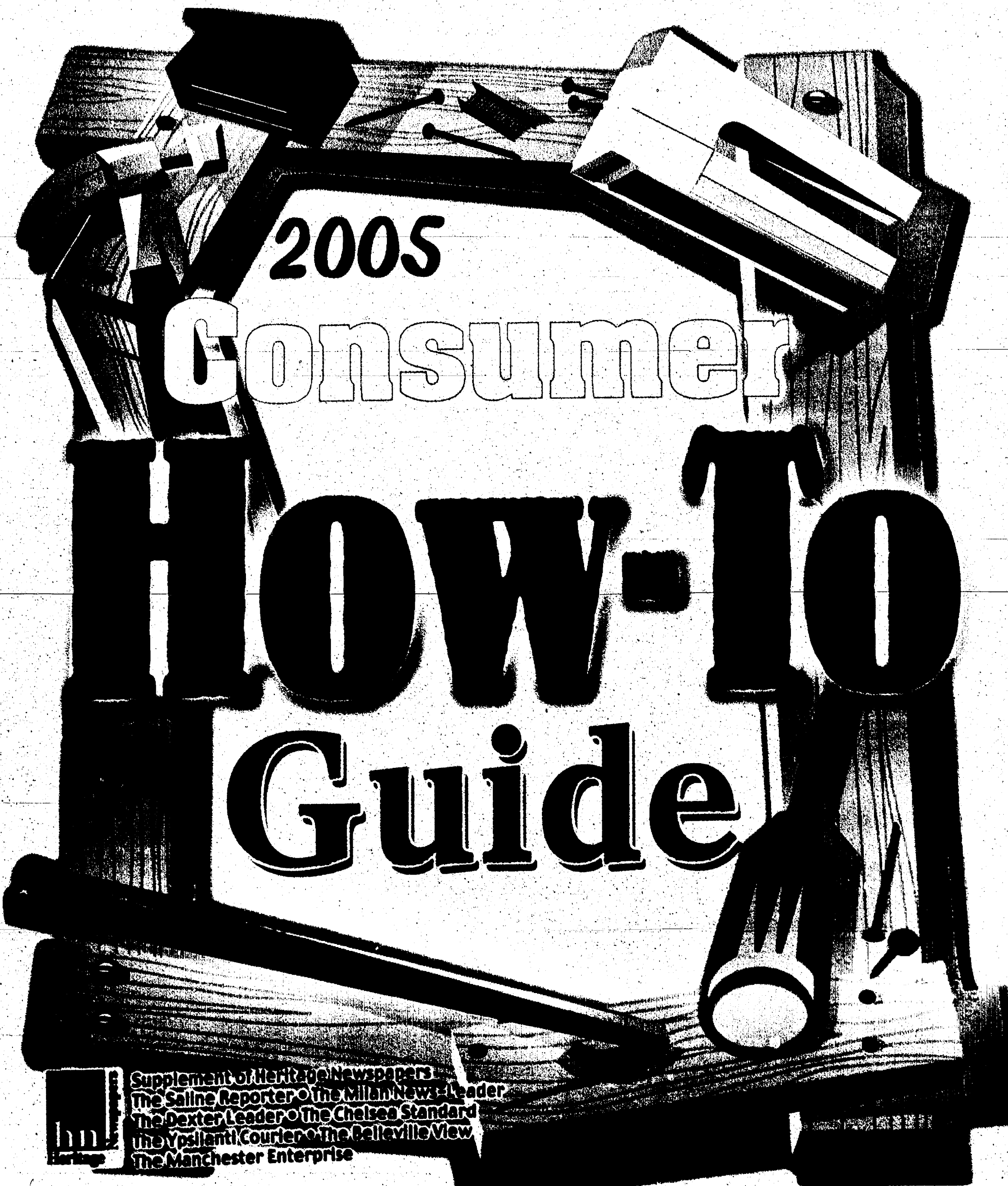
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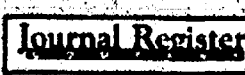
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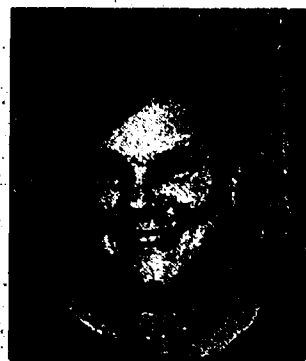
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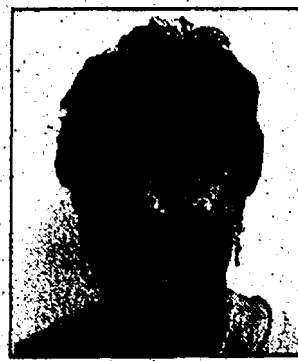
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How To Choose A Fitness Center

Getting the most out of a fitness center depends in large part on picking the right center in the first place. And that means the one right for you. Are you looking for a bodybuilder's gym where you can get inspiration and support to keep pumping iron? Or do you prefer a relaxed atmosphere where you can socialize after a class or sidle up to the juice bar? Do you need an experienced personal trainer to help you recover from injury? Before signing a long-term commitment to a facility, so you don't regret it in a month, consider the following:

Location, Location, Location

Convenience counts a great deal, fitness experts say. Just like real estate, the location of your prospective gym should be convenient, either to your workplace or to home. The easier it is for you to get to a center, the more likely you are to use it. Finding a gym close to your place of employment can afford you the opportunity to exercise before or after work, or during lunch if time allows.

Affordability

The cost of working out varies with amenities, popularity and sometimes by franchise. Some also might require joining fees or extra charge for specialty classes.

Compare centers' fees and what you're getting for your money. Pick a place that's within your budget.

Personal Interests

Perhaps you have favorite fitness activities you enjoy or want to try, such as swimming, basketball, or Pilates — a set of exercises focusing on strengthening and stretching the body. Maybe you are interested in hiring a personal trainer. An exercise program that works for one person may not work for another.

Facilities

Check out the exercise equipment, locker rooms and showers. Are they clean, or do they look like they need sanitized? This goes for the steam room or whirlpool, as well. Cleanliness defines the ownership and the membership. Is the equipment up-to-date and well-maintained, or are the benches ripped and taped back together?

Staffing

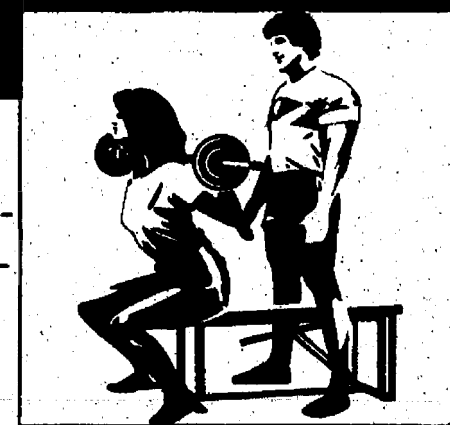
Fitness centers tend to be better staffed with people who can help you use equipment properly and answer your questions nowadays. Personal trainers may be on hand to give you individualized instruction and guidance. They are also a major source of motivation and encouragement. Ask about staffing. What kinds of help

and how much one-on-one attention do staff members provide? What credentials and certifications do they have? Qualified staff and trainers can help you do more than work out efficiently.

Classes

Fitness clubs and gyms offer a number of aerobic classes, including spinning, step, high and low impact aerobics, or kick-boxing. If you prefer exercising in a class setting, then you'll want to make sure the class selection meets your needs and interests. Check into instructors' qualifications. Ask to be allowed to attend one class session for free, or at least to observe one. Would you be at ease here? Notice if the instructor pays attention to people of all levels of ability and makes everyone feel comfortable.

Two-thirds of people who join fitness centers stop going in the first six months, according to the International Health, Racquet and Sportsclub Association.



Five things to remember

- The location of your prospective fitness center should be convenient, either to your workplace or to home.
- Look at the value of your training. If you have to pay a little more for a gym with attentive staff and professional trainers, you'll get more for your money in the long run.
- Check out the equipment, locker rooms and showers.
- Qualified staff can help you do more than work out efficiently. A good personal trainer can help you through injury retraining and specific body work.
- Many fitness centers offer a free-trial pass. Take advantage of it for opportunity to assess the atmosphere.

You've only got 30 minutes to work out. Don't waste it at the wrong club.

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How To Choose An Assisted Living Facility

Assisted Living is a relatively new concept. This fills the gap between living in your home and a skilled nursing facility, or what some people previously called the 'old folks home'. Assisted Living is a great option for someone who wants to give up some domestic duties, for example: cooking, cleaning, lawn care and snow removal. Residents can have peace of mind that there is twenty-four hour staff available in case of emergencies. Most communities offer an apartment for you to rent and provide the option for dining in their restaurant, housekeeping, activities and transportation. From there, as your needs change, one may choose to add medical support. Most people start out with medication management if they have complicated regimens to follow and can add more services as needed.

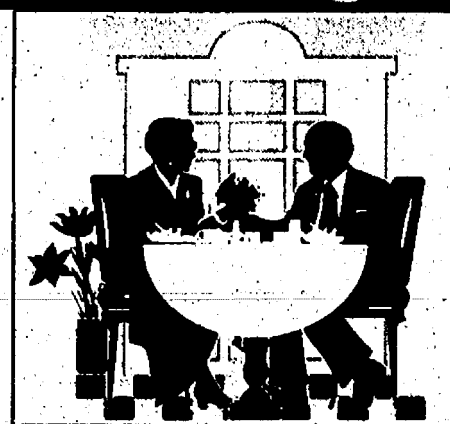
Check with individual communities to see what levels of care they provide while you are visiting.

Planning ahead is the key. Families trying to find an assisted living home for a relative during a crisis aren't left with many options. Offerings vary by assisted living organization. Make certain to check what is included in the pricing. Some communities offer all-inclusive pricing where room and board, care, utilities, transportation, etc. are for one price. Other communities offer a base price (or ala carte) for rent only and depending on the meal and care plans you choose the cost grows accordingly.

Another thing to consider is whether the community is licensed by the state. Most places fall under the classification of Licensed Home For The Aged (HFA). If you have long-term care insurance, this is important to consider. Check with your insurance company to see if your policy covers assisted living. Some policies cover assisted liv-

ing, but only if the community is licensed by the state.

The number one thing to consider is if you feel comfortable living within the community. Is the staff friendly and helpful? Is the medical support staff compassionate? What is the atmosphere you get from the other residents and staff during your tour? Do they offer a "continuum of care"? (Do they have a skilled nursing or memory care facility available if you ever needed to move?) Consider all of these and make sure to ask all your questions. Best of luck in your search!



The Top Five Things You Should Know . . .

1. Find out what retirement communities are located in the area where you or your relative(s) prefer to live.
2. Interview key staff, including marketing, dietary, housekeeping, security and transportation managers and directors, to name a few.
3. Tour the property to assess the living conditions, safety features and handicap accessibility.
4. Become informed about services, amenities and continuum of care.
5. Communicate with the residents, their families and friends. Plan an overnight stay at the facility.

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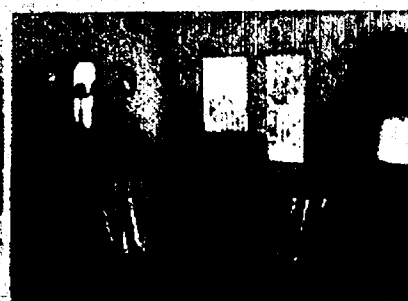
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How To Buy A Used Car

Purchasing a new vehicle is often an exciting experience, especially since buying a car is usually the second largest acquisition one will make in a lifetime, next to buying a house. You can choose exactly what you want, the car is readily available, the warranty is fresh, and obviously the car is new and free of problems. These are all reasonable points, but the option of buying used has many benefits.

Most consumers who opt for used cars do so for financial reasons. Simply put, the price of a used car may be 50 percent less than the latest model even if the used model year is fairly recent.

The prospective used car buyer can take advantage of a vehicle that is only a few years old, but is mechanically and physically sound, still looks terrific, and has a great price tag. With the incredible savings, you can get practically the same vehicle as the latest model and save money, or a higher end model that one could normally not afford can be purchased for much less.

The latter scenario can often buy a vehicle with more performance, safety, and luxury features that you might need, but would be out of reach if purchased new. Buying a used car through a dealer has become less of a challenge, although consumers should still educate themselves and arrive at the dealership armed with information. The used car you have in mind should be researched online for consumer reports, manufacturer recalls and blue book price. Online services such as Kellybluebook.com will provide quick and easy quotes on vehicles so that you do not overpay for a used vehicle.

With the progress being made at the dealership level with used vehicles, buying a "nearly new" car has become a practical option. Combined with the numerous reputable online services providing insider information, much of the uncertainty traditionally associated with used cars has been eliminated.

- Examine the car yourself using an inspection list. You can find a checklist in many of the magazine articles, books and Internet sites that deal with buying a used car.

- Talk to the previous owner if possible, especially if the present owner is unfamiliar with the car's history.

10 Tips for Buying a Used Car

1. Check out the car's repair record, maintenance costs, and safety and mileage ratings in consumer magazines or online.

2. Look up the "Kelly Blue Book" value, and be pre-

pared to negotiate the price.

3. Buying from a dealer? Look for the Buyers Guide. It's required by a federal regulation called the Used Car Rule.

4. Make sure all oral promises are written into the Buyers Guide.

5. You have the right to see a copy of the dealer's warranty before you buy. Warranties are included in the price of the product; service contracts cost extra and are sold separately.

6. Ask for the car's maintenance record from the owner, dealer, or repair shop.

7. Test drive the car on hills, highways, and in stop-and-go traffic.

8. Have the car inspected by a mechanic you hire.

9. Keep in mind the reputation of the dealership for honesty and integrity whenever looking at new or used vehicles.

10. If you buy a car "as is," you'll have to pay for anything that goes wrong after the sale. The Used Car Rule generally doesn't apply to private sales.



The Top Five Things You Should Know . . .

- Decide what type of vehicle meets your needs.
- Locate a used car from a local dealer. This will provide you with a list of available vehicles and prices in your area.
- Consider a vehicle history report to see whether the car has been stolen, in an accident, had the speedometer tampered with, number of owners, etc. This step can save you thousands of dollars.
- Figure out your auto insurance costs up front. Don't wait until the last minute to find out that insurance costs are too high. Once you have an idea of what you want you can get an insurance quote from your agent.
- Protect your vehicle with an extended warranty (Service Contract). An extended warranty protects you from mechanical breakdowns that can cost you an arm and a leg.

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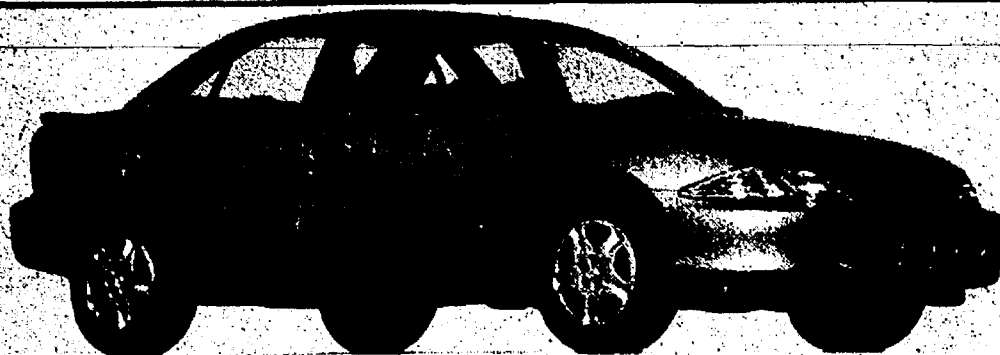
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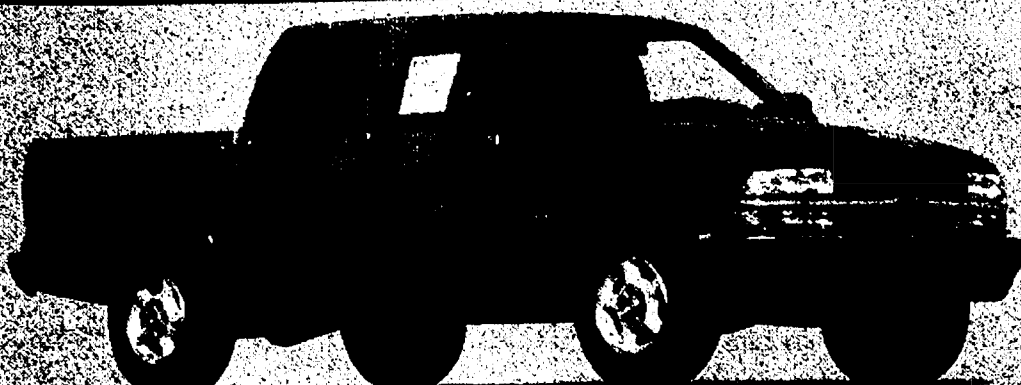
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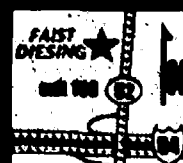


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How To Choose A Building Supplier

Your home may be your most valuable financial asset. That's why it's important to be cautious when you work on it.

When selecting the provider for your home-improvement supplies be sure that you select one that is not only knowledgeable about their products and services, but is also helpful and will assist you in your plans. Be sure to select a location that is convenient to your home, as you may find it necessary to pick up last minute supplies.

It is also important to select a home improvement center that carries everything you will need for your project. For example, if your project will require wood, especially dimensional lumber, the home improvement center should stock an ample supply and selection of quality stock.

Before You Start

Take the time to get yourself organized. All construction projects proceed in a certain order, usually with some logic attached. By keeping yourself and your records in order, you can stay abreast of each phase as it progresses.

The first thing you should do in starting a remodeling project is to plan everything out yourself. What is it that you want? What are you remodeling and how much do you want to spend? Specifically plan everything out before you fire anyone. For example, if you are remodeling your kitchen, decide if you want to extend any of the walls, replace the floor, replace appliances, cupboards, etc. Make sure you have thought about all the new colors being used and if they coordinate with the rest of the house. Draw out your own floor plan as best as you can as to what you would like it to look like.

Do Your Homework

Before you seek professional help, do some research. Collect a scrapbook of photos and sketches, and have in mind at least a general idea of what design concepts you want incorporated in the project. A home-improvement specialist will help you refine your ideas. Also, when you visit a professional, have a good understanding of what you can afford to spend on the project. No matter how well you plan, it will be more expensive than you expect.

Define the Project Scope

It's easy to say, "I want this and I want that," but it will likely put your budget out of sight. So the first step is to separate what you need from what you want. You need a new bathroom and you want it all to be imported Italian marble. But what are the financial realities? The more desires you eliminate, the more manageable your budget will become. Once you refine your budget, be sure to add 20 percent to it to cover the inevitable unforeseen costs.

Dare to Dream

Gather as many different ideas as possible and talk to others who have done similar projects before trying to define what you want in your project. It's much cheaper to include a bay window in the plans than to add it after the project is

completed. Also look through magazines and clip out items you like. Keep a journal of different ideas that will work or not. All these concepts will help you formulate a master plan.

Prepare a Master Plan

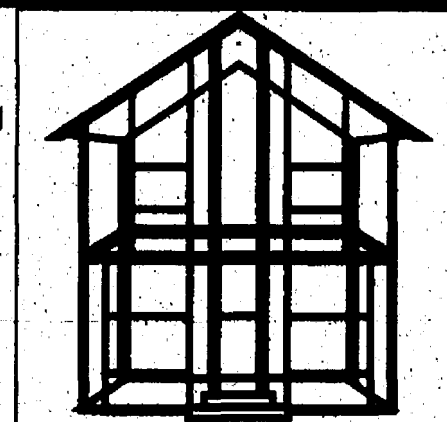
Sit down with paper and pencil and write down what you really want from the project. What do you want it to accomplish? Just more room, or do you need a specific view from the addition or new house? In planning, think about your neighborhood and how planned changes will fit – or not – with the other houses. If some of your goals are hard to define, sketch out the concepts on paper. Later, a homeimprovement specialist will help you develop them.

Create a Project File

Use folders to hold and organize all the paperwork that will be generated during the project. Keep your plans there, along with the contracts, work schedules, payment schedules, warranties, change orders, punch list forms, lien notices, and receipts. Also keep contact information of everybody involved here as well.

Can you afford your project?

Personal or bank loans, a home equity loan, a loan from your credit union or insurance company, or a loan from a savings and a loan institution are all possible ways that you may finance your remodel. Again, do your research and compare interest rates.

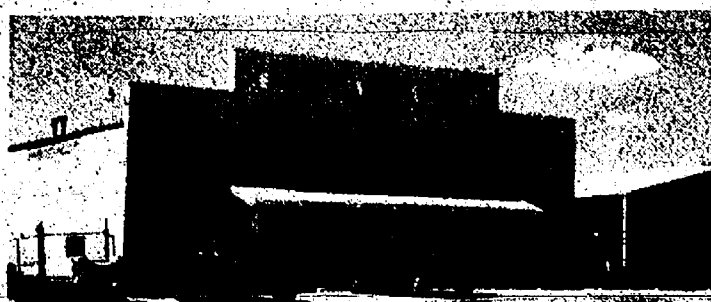
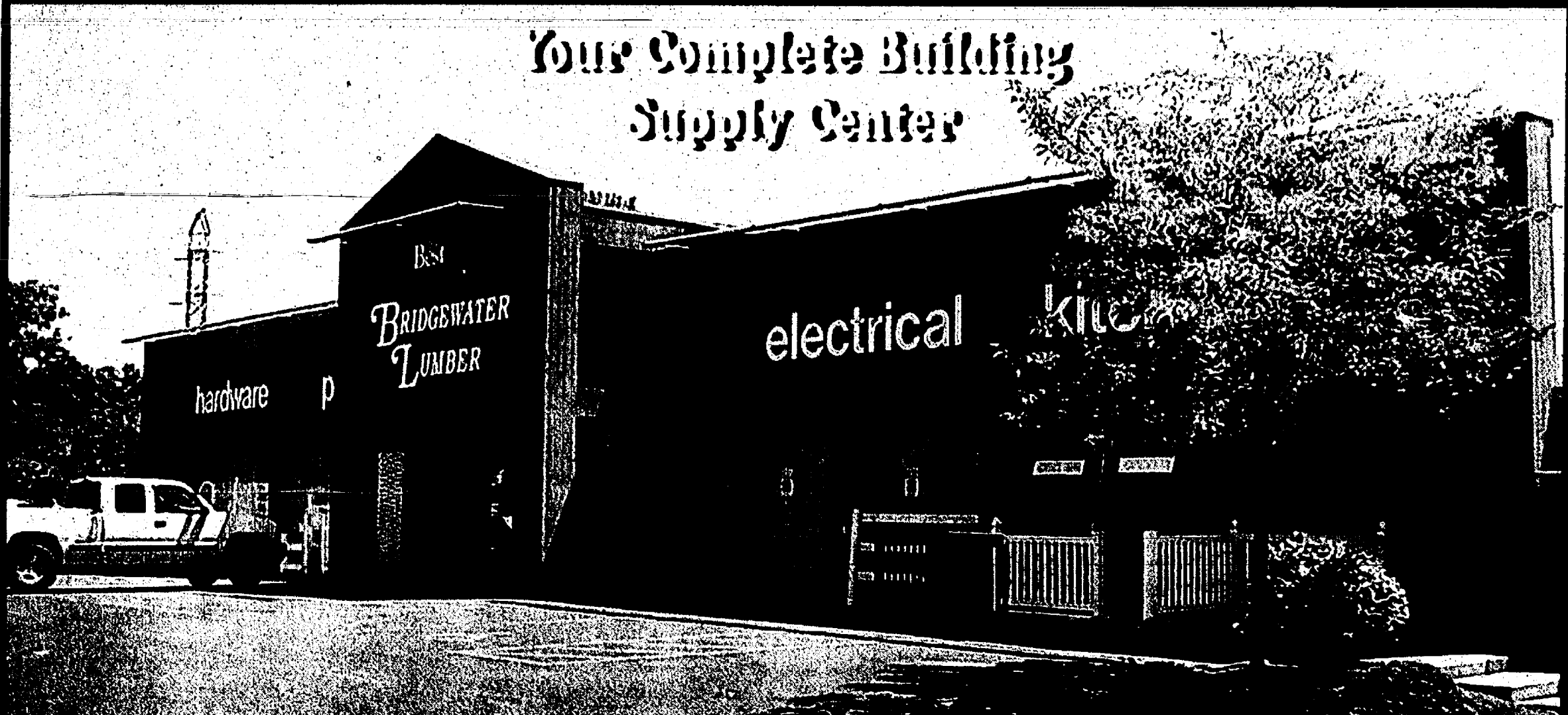


Before you begin the project

- Think about the specific design you want (consult an architect or designer if necessary) and decide on a budget.
- Think about the materials you want to use. Visit homeimprovement centers, read magazines featuring distinctive home designs, or talk to others who have completed similar renovations.
- Clearly describe the work you want done in a specification sheet and floor plan.
- Contact a professional building industry association for advice on the home improvement process.

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How To Choose A Dentist

Annie and Daddy Warbucks sang, "You're never fully dressed without a smile." Indeed, a beautiful smile has a positive impact your health as well as your appearance. That's why it's important to use care when choosing a dentist.

You may want to call or visit more than one dentist before making your decision. Dental care is a very personalized service that requires a good relationship between the dentist and the patient. The relationship between you and your dentist is a shared responsibility. For many oral health problems, your ADA member dentist can offer multiple treatment options for dental care. These options may vary in complexity, durability and cost. Working together, you and your dentist can choose the treatment options that best meet your needs. Your dentist can explain each treatment option, including its benefits and drawbacks. You should tell your dentist about yourself and your needs, and ask your dentist and office staff as many questions as needed to help you understand the treatment recommendations.

Here, compliments of the American Dental Association, are some guidelines to help you choose a dentist:

Before going for a visit, do your homework. Ask friends, family, neighbors or colleagues for recommendations. Your family physician or local pharmacist may also make referrals. If you're moving, ask your current dentist to make a suggestion. You can also go online to search the American Dental Association's Web site or contact your local or state dental society to find a dentist in your area.

During your first visit, ask yourself these questions:

1. Is the dentist's appointment schedule convenient for you? Is the office easy to get to from your home or job?

2. Is the office clean, neat and orderly? What is the appearance of the dentist and the staff?

3. What is the atmosphere of the office? Does the dentist take continuing education classes and is he or she a member of the Academy of General Dentistry?

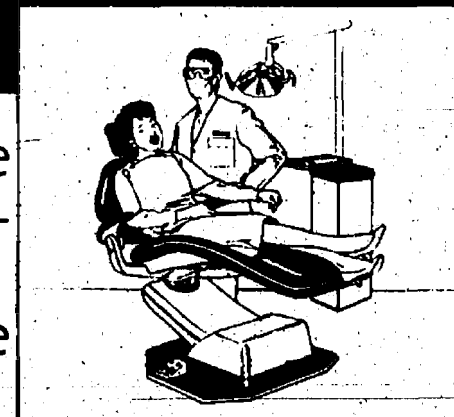
4. Does the dentist seem interested in your health? Were your medical and dental histories recorded and placed in a permanent file?

5. Does the dentist explain techniques that will help you prevent dental health problems? Is dental health instruction provided?

6. What arrangements does the dentist have for handling emergencies outside office hours? Is the dentist on call 24 hours a day? Does the dentist have an answering service or pager?

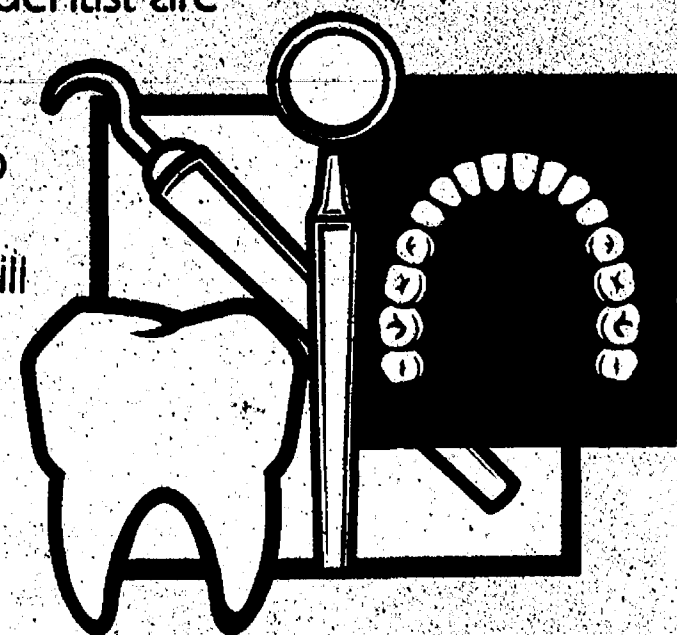
7. Does the dentist accept your insurance plan? Is information provided about fees, payment plans and co-plans?

8. Do you like the dentist? How does the dentist treat his or her staff? Will you consistently have the same dental hygienist? Is the dentist involved in his or her community?



After you've chosen a dentist

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How To Choose A Wireless Service



Choosing the right wireless plan can be a difficult task with conflicting information and tough decisions. There are many issues to consider. Where will you be making most of your calls? What type of contract length should I be prepared for? To assist you in making these decisions, here's a guide to choosing the plan that fits the way you use wireless.

Where will I use my phone?

Before you decide on a service plan that fits your needs, you need to first figure out where you'll be making most of your calls. If most of your calls will be made in and around the city in which you live, you will be best fit with a company that has good coverage in and around your city.

Some plans offer you nationwide calling from their network to anywhere in United States. This is a consideration if indeed that is how you intend to utilize your phone. Consider the past few months. Where did you travel? Look at the plans that fit where you will use it the majority of the time. Don't pay for nationwide plan if you would only use it for a once a year vacation. You would likely get a better price and better coverage on a different plan. You can always use your phone on that vacation by simply paying the additional roaming charges for using your phone outside of your home calling area.

How much would I talk?

The next item to consider is how much you will use your phone and when you will be using it. Many plans contain buckets of minutes for each month and then might breakdown minutes you can only use during the night or weekend hours. You need to watch the breakdown of how many minutes are anytime and how many of your minutes are night/weekend minutes. Another thing to watch are what times the carrier begins and ends their night/weekend times. Some will designate their night hours to begin as late as 9:00 pm. Again, consider when you will actually be using your phone.

There are also plans available that offer unlimited calling. With these plans you don't need to worry about watching how many minutes you are using up each month. Check with the carrier to find out when the unlimited calling applies. Some carriers will offer night/weekend unlimited calling only, while others offer unlimited calling plans that are anytime minutes.

How much should I budget for my wireless bill?

Cellular phone service plans can range in price from as low

as \$10.00 per month all the way up to the hundreds of dollars depending on how many minutes you desire and where you want to use your phone. You can also get prepaid cellular plans to assist in controlling wireless costs. These options will either allow for up front purchases of a wireless calling card, essentially adding minutes to your phone prior to your using them, or will include a pay-as-you-use-it type phone. For these phones, you may be required to pay a month in advance for cellular minutes that will be used during the following month.

What kind of features do I want with my phone?

Many carriers will offer a standard package of features that will come with your plan. Ask what those are and which ones are included with the plan that you have determined best fits your needs. Some of the common included features are: Caller ID, Call waiting and Call Forwarding. There may be additional features you find to be beneficial. Inquire about which ones are available from each carrier and what the cost for those features are. A couple of those features might be voicemail and text messaging. Most carriers offer a text-messaging feature that allows you to send text messages to or from your phone. This feature will allow you to communicate without using your included plan minutes. Again, details will vary from carrier to carrier with how many messages are included with your feature price and what other options you have.

I am ready to make my decision, anything else I should consider?

The only other item of consideration is a contract. Most carriers will require a contract to be signed for the cellular service. Contract length can vary anywhere from one to three years, depending on the carrier and the promotional offer that they have. Another question to ask is how many times they will allow you to change packages within your contract period. You may find you are using your phone more or less frequently than what you originally thought and may need to change the plan you are on. You will want to make sure you are able to do this without being charged a fee to do so.

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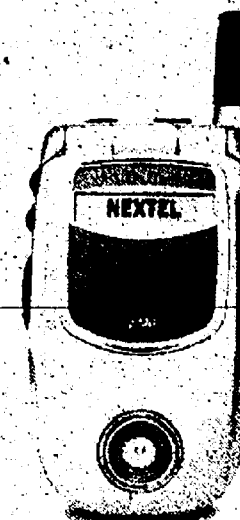
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How To Choose A Private School

Private schools strive to produce academically well-prepared students who possess a love for learning and who work to reach their full potential. Choosing a private school that gives the nurturing you want your child to have is an important decision, both for the parent and child, and one that requires a great deal of decision making. Research demonstrates many tangible benefits related to opting for a private school education. In general, private schools have a higher graduation rate, a higher percentage of students who continue their education and a higher overall academic performance.

A good first step is to identify your child's needs. Are you looking specifically for academic criteria? What about sports, social climate, ability to meet special needs? Think about any factors that would definitely eliminate a school from consideration.

A school visit is the best way to learn if a particular school is the right one for your child. While visiting the school, ask the following questions:

- What classes form the instructional program? What are the school's core classes? Does it have a reputation for academic excellence? What is the average size of the classes?
- What is the school's educational philosophy and mission? Do you agree? Are they truly interested in the students?
- How does the school track student progress toward achieving grade level standards? Is the school equipped to handle your child's needs?
- How is discipline handled?
- Are all teachers certified in the areas they teach? Does a majority of the current teaching staff have postgraduate hours or Masters Degrees?
- How are teachers evaluated? (The principal, or headmaster, should conduct annual evaluations of teachers.)
- Pay attention not only to the classroom, lab and arts, but also the cafeteria and athletic facilities.
- What student services are available? At a minimum, a guidance counselor, and librarian.
- How does technology fit into the curriculum? What classes form the instructional program? Is the school accredited and what certifications has it earned?
- How does the school support students with academic, social, or emotional problems?
- Are there educational travel opportunities, as well as foreign language classes, music, drama and art? Does the school offer programs in sports and community activities? Community service programs are an important aspect to

consider.

- Are there pre-school or after-school programs offered by the school?

- What kind of parental involvement does the school allow? Is there an active Parent-Teacher Organization?

Involve your child in the choice of a school right from the beginning. Visit with parents whose children attend the school you are considering. Find out what their child's experience has been and what the benefits have been.

Last, but certainly not the least, is the cost of enrollment at the school. Does it fit your family budget? What types of payment plans are available (monthly; quarterly)? Are there scholarships available? What other costs are involved besides tuition? Does the school have a refund policy?

You should rate the factors in order of importance, and consider this in making a school choice. Identify schools of interest. Many schools have web sites and others can be found listed in commercial directories. Write or e-mail the schools for catalogs, videos or other information. When you and your child have gone through all the material, eliminate the schools that do not meet your needs. You should end up with a short list of three or four schools. Take a tour of the schools. Observe the facilities, the students, the atmosphere.

Once your decision has been made, inquire about the admissions package that normally includes a catalog and an application form. Begin your search process before the enrollment period – usually late winter/early spring. Organize your search files, mark deadlines and appointments with the school – encourage and support your child through this transition.

Five Important Things To Remember

1. Research the academic programs offered.
2. Check out the facilities.
3. Ask questions about extracurricular activities, including sports, special programs and community activities.
4. Schedule a tour of the schools when classes are in session.
5. Begin the search process early.



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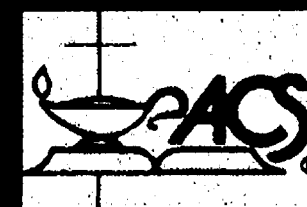


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How To Choose A New Car

Buying a car probably does not rank near the top of your list of treasured moments. Next to a home, a car is one of the larger items you will purchase. Often money is misspent and headaches occur.

But with this information, perhaps the process can go much smoother. Who knows? You may even enjoy it!

Do your Homework

The car business is big, big business. The average manufacturer's suggested retail price for a new car is around \$20,000. On top of having a wondrous sales price, the car business has a large capital asset barrier to entry, which in theory allows the car makers to sell cars at higher profit margins.

These choices are probably good for consumers, provided that consumers stay informed about the choices. It is important to remember here a critical concept: You don't want to be sold a vehicle by a salesperson you've known all of three hours. Instead, you want to purchase the vehicle you've already picked out yourself, preferably in the comfort and convenience of your own home. This idea alone will save you a great deal of time and money if and when you set foot on a car lot.

So, before you go thumbing or clicking, take out a blank piece of paper and a pencil and determine your needs.

Down the lefthand side list these vehicle categories: sub-compact; family sedan or station wagon; sports car (sedan/coupe/convertible); mini van; sport utility vehicle; pickup truck; full-size van or conversion van; and luxury sedan.

Next to each, write down your answers to the following five questions:

- How many miles a year do I think I'm going to put on this vehicle? (ie. 15,000 miles/year)
- How much time, on average, per day, will you be spending in the vehicle? (ie. three hours)
- What type of driving will the vehicle be used for? (ie. 60 percent city, 30 percent highway, 10 percent off-road)
- Write down the budget numbers you came up with (ie. \$5,000 down, with a max of \$350 per month over three years)
- Write down all the reasons that you want and need this vehicle. The longer the list, the better.

Now underline the most important points. Then, cross out vehicle groups that don't fit your vehicle use profile. In other words, if one of your key uses is carpooling the children then cross out sports coupes because these vehicles are designed as two-seaters. This elimination process is very effective in helping match a vehicle group to our needs.

Financing

A car buyer is best served by lining up financing before buying the vehicle. Why spend hours test-driving, pricing and buying a new vehicle, only to turn around and hand back to the dealer all that you just saved? Go to the phone and call various lending institutions.

Find out what your monthly payments will be, how much you should put down, what term of loan you should consider, home equity vs. auto loan, and rebate vs. dealer financing.

After performing a little due diligence on the financing of your purchase, decide on one source. Negotiate the particulars down to the last detail, but don't commit. When the dealer offers a financing deal, you're well-armed to determine what's attractive and what isn't.



INSURANCE

Another financial preparation many consumers fail to perform is the inevitable insurance question.

As with loans, a great place to start is with someone you already know – your current agent. Give him or her the exact listing of the vehicle you are planning to purchase, so that you can be given a quote on just what your insurance costs will be. Let your agent know your trade-in plans. In that way, you're providing information on the number of vehicles you own.

Question the agent directly on discounts. You may be able to receive discounts based on the trade organization to which you belong, and you may be able to shave off a few dollars from your theft portion if you purchase an alarm system.

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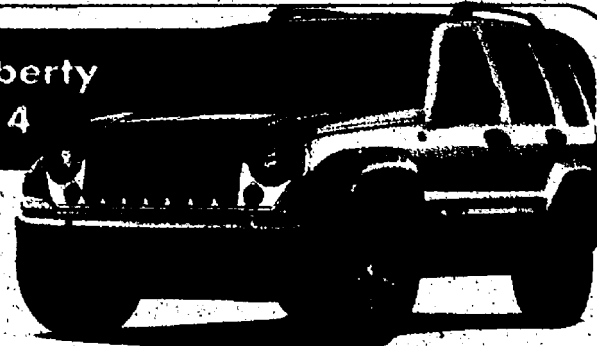
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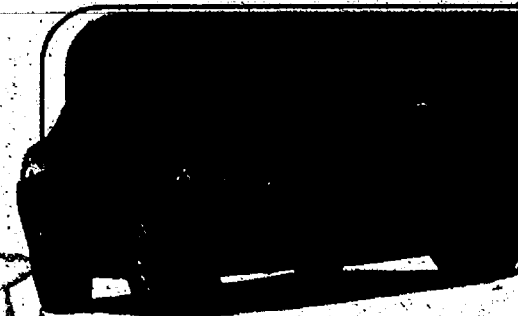
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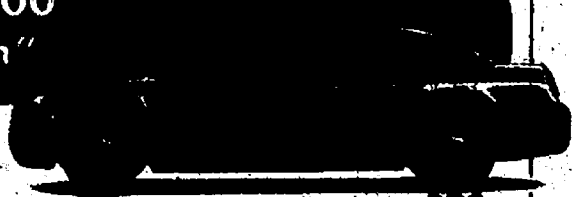
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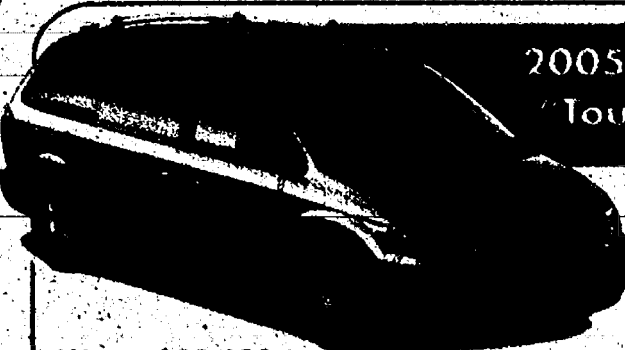
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How To Choose A Credit Union

Choosing the right financial institution could make your money work for you.

What is a credit union?

A credit union is a cooperative financial institution, owned and controlled by the people who use its services. These people are members. Credit unions serve groups that share something in common, such as where they work, live, or go to church. Credit unions are not-for-profit, and exist to provide a safe, convenient place for members to save money and to get loans at reasonable rates. Credit unions, like other financial institutions, are closely regulated. The National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), an agency of the federal government, insures credit union deposit accounts up to \$100,000.

What makes a credit union different from a bank or savings & loan?

Like credit unions, these financial institutions accept deposits and make loans—but unlike credit unions, they are in business to make a profit. Banks and savings & loans are owned by groups of stockholders whose interests include earning a healthy return on their investments.

Five ways to find a credit union

Credit unions are for everyone, but the law places some limits on the people they may serve. A credit union's charter defines its "field of membership," which could be an employer, church, school, or community. Anyone who lives or works in a community, for example, is eligible to join a community-chartered credit union.

If you don't belong, here's how to find a credit union to join:

1. Contact the Minnesota Credit Union Network. Dial (800) 477-1034, or visit www.mncun.org on the web to search for credit unions in your area.
2. Ask your family. One in three Americans belong to a credit union. Chances are you have a family member that uses credit union services. And most credit unions allow members' families to join.
3. Quiz your friends and neighbors. Many credit unions have a "community" field of membership, serving a region defined by geography rather than by employment or some other association. Ask friends in the community if they know of a credit union you may join.
4. Read the yellow pages. Some credit unions rarely advertise, so you might not know about them unless you look them up. A yellow pages display ad may state a credit union's field of membership. If not, at least you'll know what number to call to ask about membership eligibility.
5. Contact the Credit Union National Association. Dial (800) 358-5710 or visit www.cuna.org and check their online database of credit unions.

Credit Unions vs. banks

A credit union is a cooperative, not-for-profit financial institution. It is owned and controlled by its members, and organized to bring savings and give credit to those who belong.

Proponents of credit unions say earnings are returned to members in the form of higher savings rates, lower loan rates, fewer fees, and expanded services.

In contrast, a bank is a financial institution that accepts deposits and makes loans to corporations and individuals for a profit. A savings and loan institution is in business to accept deposits and make loans, primarily for first and second mortgages, at a profit.

Credit unions see healthy returns on investments in order to help their members, while other financial institutions send investment returns to their stockholders. Credit unions give members a voice. Members vote for a board of directors from the general membership. Directors serve on a voluntary basis and hire a chief Executive Officer, who in turn hires staff to manage the credit union. All members receive information on the state of the credit union, generally in the form of newsletters and other periodicals, such as the credit union's annual report.

U.S. Credit unions have a flexible, highly organized cooperative network – the Credit Union System. The system works at the local, state, and national level. There are over 10,000 credit unions throughout the country serving over 80 million members. Minnesota is home to nearly 200 financial cooperatives which serve well over 1,000,000 members. Founded on a philosophy of service, credit unions adhere to the pledge of 'People Helping People.'



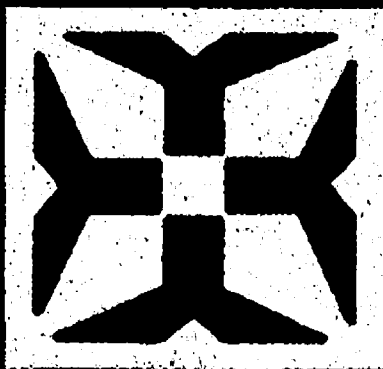
Important Notes

Credit unions offer many of the same services as banks, usually at better rates and terms: checking, consumer loans, mortgages, and investment accounts.

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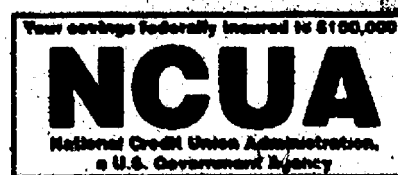
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How To Choose Lawn Equipment

Before you buy any piece of outdoor power equipment, you should first evaluate the overall layout of your property. This will help to define what maintenance tasks you'll need to perform and the type of equipment required.

Do you have a small lawn or many acres? Do you have a variety of trees, shrubs and flower beds? Are there hills, ponds, ditches, walkways or a long winding driveway? Do you have a garden? Will you want to mulch clippings or bag them? Is snow removal a consideration?

Hedge Trimmers – These gasoline, electric or rechargeable battery-powered tools are perfect for trimming overgrown shrubs and hedges that border yards, houses and walkways.

Hand-Held Leaf Blowers – Leaf blowers are handy, portable, clean-up tools that generate a powerful stream of air to move leaves, twigs and yard debris from hard surfaces like lawns, patios, garages and walks.

Edger/Trimmers – There are two basic kinds of edger/trimmers: wheeled, walk-behind edger/trimmers that use steel blades to cut and edge turf around walkways and patios, and portable hand-held or "stick" style string trimmers that use a spool of trimmer line to cut high grass and unsightly weeds in out-of-the way places that are too difficult to cut with a lawn mower.

Chain Saws – For homeowners with lots of trees on their property, a chain saw is a handy, time-saving device for clean-up after severe storms when fallen limbs can be cut into manageable pieces for removal, or cut and stored as firewood.

Shredder/Grinders – Gas-powered shredder/grinders offer a versatile alternative to disposing yard debris by reducing large amounts of branches, twigs and leaves into small amounts that can be recycled back into your yard.

Garden Tillers – Garden tillers are designed to loosen and till the soil to prepare it for planting vegetables or flowers and to turn under plants in the fall. There are several styles of tillers including hand-held cultivators, front-tine tillers and rear-tine tillers.

Lawn Vacuums – Large capacity walk-behind lawn vacuums and blower/vacs can clear leaves and twigs off lawns and large areas quickly with minimum effort.

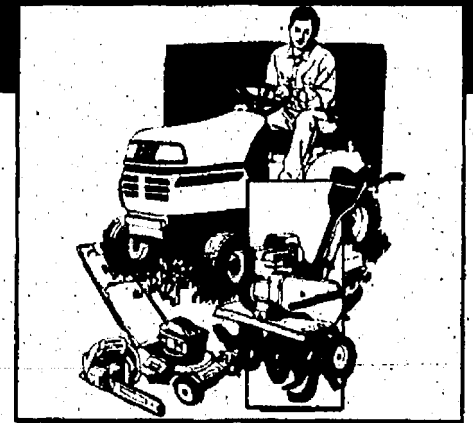
Lawn vacuums use collection bags with up to a 6-bushel capacity to make it easy to dispose of debris.

Log Splitters – Log splitters use a hydraulic-powered ram to drive wooden logs from 6" to 14" in diameter against a solid steel wedge to create a plentiful supply of firewood.

Walk-Behind Lawn Mowers – Walk-behind lawn mowers are used primarily for maintaining small lots usually less than one acre. They are also used by larger property owners for trimming in spaces that are inaccessible to riding mowers. Walk-behind mowers can be classified into three primary categories. These include side discharge mowers, rear discharge mowers, and mulching mowers.

Zero Turn Riding Mowers – Larger urban or suburban residential property owners may prefer the time-saving convenience of a zero turn riding mower for cutting lawns from one-half to one acre in size. Riding mowers are larger than standard walk-behind models but smaller and more compact than lawn and garden tractors. Since the operator is essentially riding above the mowing deck, the engine is usually mounted under and to the rear of the operator's seat.

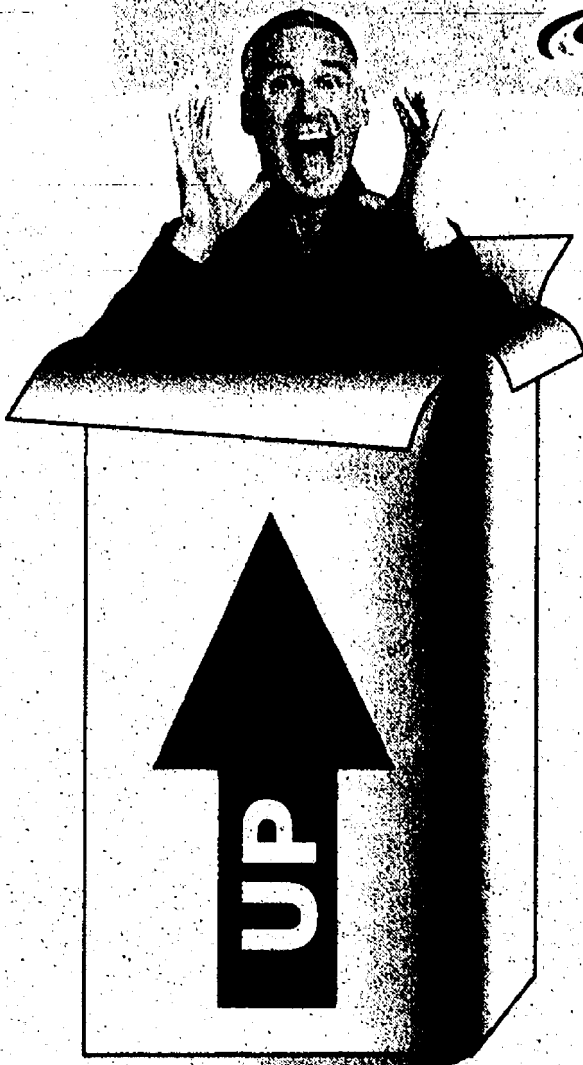
Lawn & Garden Tractors – Lawn and garden tractors offer multiple combinations of convenience, versatility and comfort, especially for gardeners and property owners with large acreage and varied landscapes.



Look for the Label

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How To Choose A Physical Therapist

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Many people choose a PT facility based on location and convenience, and although these are important considerations, I would suggest that other factors can be included such as availability of emergency visits, scheduling flexibility, and most of all, waiting time before being seen by a facility. Some medical conditions need immediate physical therapy attention. If you have to wait more than a few days, you may want to keep searching. A flexible, newer facility location might be able to get you started quicker than a more established center with an existing case-load.

Most of you already seek out a facility based on the above criteria so the above are not a revelation, but let's examine some other factors that real physical therapy patients felt were important in selecting a Physical Therapist.

Make sure your therapist is licensed in Michigan

Michigan is one of 11 states that still require a medical doctor's prescription for physical therapy. Once you have a prescription in hand, you want to make sure your therapist is licensed in Michigan. Once in treatment, do ask the specific credentials of who you are working with. Is it a licensed therapist or a therapist extender (support staff)?

Check credentials

Physical therapy is evolving into a doctoring profession which means that as of 2006, all PT students will graduate with a DPT or a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree. This is bound to cause some confusion in both public and clinical communities, however, the benefits of a DPT should become more clear in time. During the next few years (transition phase) there will be PTs practicing in our community with anything from a certificate/diploma, to bachelors, masters and finally doctoral degrees. The degree conferred is not the ultimate determinant of the proficiency of the therapist. There will be excellent clinician therapists practicing regardless of entry level education. The advantage that doctorally prepared PTs will have in outpatient private practice, is that the extra training in pharmacology, radiology and pathology, will strengthen those skills required to communicate more effectively with medical doctors, and to help identify patients who need to be referred back to their primary physicians because of underlying or emerging pathology. The DPT trained therapist will be a strong and invaluable clinical partner to physicians in the outpatient sector.

Experience is something you can never have too much of and it works that way in physical therapy as well. But remember, there are two types of experience, one is that a PT can have 20 years of continuous growth and development, the other is that a PT can have 20 x 1 year of experience, merely repeating what they learned in year 1. Physical therapy is both an art and a science. Lifelong learning is an important behavior to cultivate, and not just in physical therapy. A nice balance between experience and continuing education is what I personally like to see.

Seek professionalism

Professionalism is an attitude and a behavior set that brings together knowledge, skills and personal traits such as compassion, caring and

empathy. You have to be comfortable with the clinical demeanor of your therapist. How a therapist "carries" him/herself is very important and reflective of how much "passion" one has for their patient care activities and profession in general. Hold a high standard for your therapist, you deserve to be treated in a manner that respects your values and is reflective of evidence based practice guidelines.

Pick the right facility

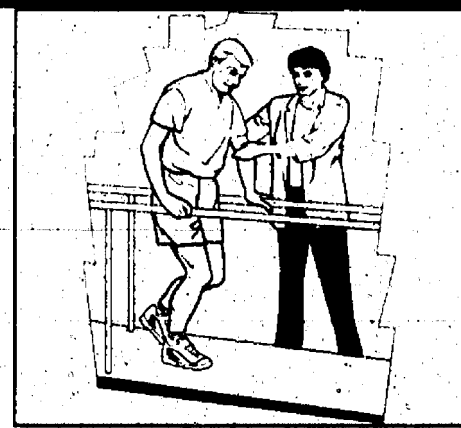
Facility is an important factor to consider when selecting a provider. Physical therapists are some of the most creative people you will meet and may not need a lot of equipment in their facility. Having said that, we still require some basic tools to be able to treat a variety of patient complaints. Make sure your therapist has all the tools they will need to help your recovery be safe and effective. The facility should be clean and spacious enough to safely perform any required therapeutic exercises requested by your doctor, or exercises devised by your therapist.

Pick the right PT for your needs

Do inquire if the therapist has any special competencies or board certifications, not so much to make a judgment about proficiency, but rather so you can fit your therapist selection to your condition. If you have torn your ACL knee ligament recently and as a result have had an ACL reconstruction, you will need to see a therapist who has experience in ACL rehabilitation. Do not be satisfied by simply going to a "sports medicine clinic." This tells you nothing other than how the facility owner wants to brand a center or to cultivate a particular image. Some other questions might be: How much experience do you have in ACL rehabilitation? How many years have you been practicing? Tell me about your mentorships (who have you worked with)? Will I be working directly with you (PT) or with someone other than a licensed PT? How often will you communicate with my referring orthopedic surgeon and could I see a sample of your documentation or reports? Why is this important? The reports communicate the important details of your rehabilitation to physicians, insurance carriers, case managers, and attorneys in cases of litigation. Good documentation (record keeping and clinical notes) serve many purposes, not the least of which, it informs your doctor of clinical progress and/or problems if any. You will want to know the quality of the information generated at a facility. And don't forget, good documentation is part of what your insurance dollars pay for.

By now you have already figured out that you should really invest some time and visit or contact several facilities before deciding. It will not be wasted time. Find the right therapist for you, and in doing so, you may find an invaluable health care partner for many years to come.

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This is my 3rd joint replacement surgery in 2 years and have been to other therapy clinics. I can truly say that you stand out. Great therapy, warm staff and refreshing approach. I refer everyone I know.... A.W (Hip replacement with nerve damage)

I am so happy my medical doctor recommended physical therapy. I was used to the "quick fix" approach offered by[others]. You guys took the time to correct the cause, not just the symptoms. My low back thanks you G.F (low back pain and leg numbness)

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How To Choose Vinyl Windows & Siding

Waking up to a beautiful sunrise. Relaxing in perfect light to read your morning newspaper. Watching for a loved one to return home. Whether it's a celebration, a lazy day on the sofa or a welcomed summer breeze, windows are a part of your home and your home life.

And you want to enjoy all of those moments without worrying how your windows will perform.

Vinyl replacement windows from a reputable window manufacturing company can help make your house just a little more like home with beautiful, virtually maintenance-free vinyl replacement windows.

When selecting your vinyl replacement windows there are some features you should look for that will ensure years of worry-free performance.

- Welded sash and frames for strength and durability
- Low-E glass (in the winter it helps keep warm air in and cold air out, and in the summer it helps keep cool air in and warm air out)
- Inert gas between panes of glass (slows heat transfer and helps reduce noise)
- A quality spacer (separates the two panes of glass around the edge) reduces heat loss and minimizes condensation
- Ventilation latches (safety feature that allows window to only open a few inches)
- Custom manufactured for your home (allows for best fit and installation)
- Energy efficiency: look for the ENERGY STAR® label on the window (means window has low UV-factors and exceeds energy efficiency guidelines)
- Foam filling in vinyl frame (additional insulation)
- Lifetime warranty on materials and installation

Vinyl Siding

A quality siding panel will last as long as you own your home – bringing years of maintenance-free enjoyment, beauty and value.

In addition to the availability of the right color scheme for your style of home, there are other features to look for in a siding panel that will ensure peace of mind in the years to come.

- Reinforced nail hem (siding is hung, not nailed on tightly. Nail hems need to be strong so they do

not tear.)

- Interlocking nail hems (locks panels together for straighter walls and stronger wall holding power)

- Extra PVC in nail hem for stronger, straighter wall

- Vents (at least every 12 feet) to resist moisture behind panels

- Nonrecycled vinyl

- Should be designed and manufactured to resist fading, chalking, dents and warping

- Lifetime warranty on materials and installation

- Color is manufactured into the vinyl panel

- All trim options available (allows flexibility to custom finish your home and keeps quality consistent)

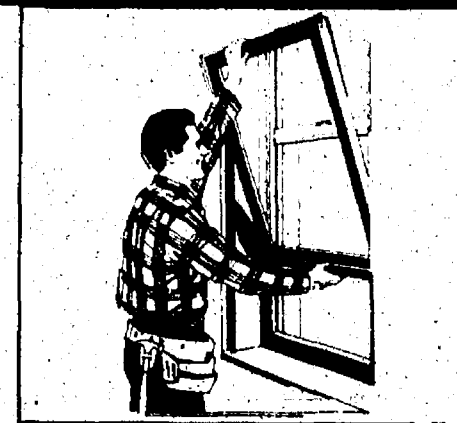
- Thicker panel (more wall strength and insulating qualities)

- Insulation board used behind the siding, at least 3/8" thick (helps insulate home)

- Vinyl siding should not make your home look like plastic. It should provide all the beauty of a wood exterior.

- Coordinating trim for windows, doors, and corners along with soffit, shutters and gutters should be available.

- Craftsmanship and attention to detail are the keys to a quality installation.



Why vinyl?

There are many technical and aesthetic benefits to vinyl replacement windows and siding. However, when purchased and installed by a reputable company, the overwhelming advantages are that the windows and siding are attractive, easy to maintain and durable.

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How To Care for Heating & Cooling

The heating, ventilating, air conditioning (HVAC) systems is the most complex system in the home. The best person to perform a thorough inspection of the HVAC system is a licensed HVAC contractor.

HOMEOWNER INSPECTION

When undertaking an inspection of the HVAC system, homeowners should take the following steps:

1. Locate thermostat and turn thermostat on. Check the thermostat operation – determine if it will turn the system on and off, that heating will start and that cooling will start. When the thermostat switch is in the fan “on” position, make sure that the fan is running. Listen for unusual sounds while feeling how cool the airflow is from the vents. Don’t just listen inside the house, go outside and listen to the condensing unit, too. Any unusual sounds indicate a need for service by a qualified HVAC contractor.

2. Check filter. If the filter is dirty, it needs to be changed or cleaned.

3. Inspect ductwork. Ductwork is unconditioned spaces (such as parts of the basement and attic) should be insulated. Ductwork may sometimes sweat if it is not insulated. To determine if there is any duct leakage, check for air from duct connections and fittings.

4. Inspect evaporator coil-note condition of coil and drain. Rust on the outside and in the drain pan could indicate excess moisture, which could contribute to mold, mildew and other conditions, which may affect air quality.

5. For gas furnaces, light and start the furnace. Watch for flame roll out to flutter when the blower comes on. The proper color of flame is blue base with a slightly yellow tip.

The items above are guidelines for a cursory inspection of the home heating and cooling system. This inspection verifies that the system operated and that there are no obvious problems.

A more thorough inspection, performed by a licensed HVAC contractor, will include checking operating voltages, recording the temperature differences across the evaporator coil and the heat exchanger, performing a complete safety check, measuring air flow at all duct outlets and returns, and many other technical evaluations. A licensed HVAC contractor must perform these inspections.

SIX TIPS TO CUT YOUR COOLING BILL

1. Don’t run your clothes dryer when it’s hot out. Your dryer blows air out of your house when it’s drying clothes. And for every cubic foot of air it blows out, a cubic foot of hot outside air gets sucked in that your air conditioner has to cool down. Run your dryer late at night or early morning and you’ll have lower electric bills. Even better, use a “solar powered” clothes dryer: a clothesline in the backyard!

2. Have your duct system tested for air leaks. Many think that windows and doors are the major cause of a home’s energy wasting air leaks. But according to recent research by the Department of Energy (DOE), gaps, joints and disconnections in the typical home’s duct system are much more significant. The DOE states that the typical duct system loses 25% to 40% of the

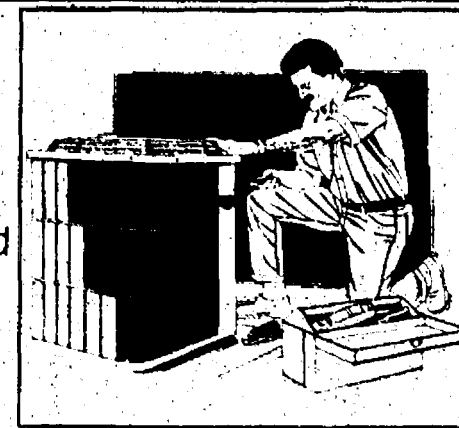
energy put out by the central heat pump or air conditioner. Leaks are usually the biggest problem. Authorities recommend having a contractor seal them with a brushed on “mastic”.

3. Ask your air conditioning contractor to perform an Infiltrometer “blower door” test. The blower door is a computerized instrument originally invented by the Department of Energy. It pinpoints where your home’s worst air leaks are, such as duct leaks, and also measures how leaky the overall house is. While most homes are still far too leaky, some are now quite tight, and need mechanical ventilation to ensure the air inside is fresh.

4. Replace your air filter. Most systems need this done every month to ensure safe and efficient operation. Some such as electronic air cleaners need to be thoroughly washed.

5. Have your air conditioner cleaned and tuned. A pre-season tune up is a great investment. It reduces the chances of breakdowns in the middle of summer and more than pays for itself through more energy efficient operation. Make sure the contractor cleans both the indoor and outdoor heat transfer coils, and checks refrigerant gas charge by measuring “super-heat” or “sub cooling”.

6. Consider replacing your old air conditioner or heat pump. Just like a car, central cooling equipment doesn’t last forever. If your system is over 12 years old, and you are planning to stay in your home more than a few years, many authorities recommend replacing it before it fails permanently.



What to ask a quality HVACR Contractor

- Ask the contractor for references. Find out if other customers were satisfied.
- Ask the contractor about his or her license. If a license is required in your area, ask for the license number.
- Ask the contractor if he or she is a member of the Air Conditioning Contractors of America. ACCA members have access to the latest technical information regarding HVACR systems. Through ACCA, contractors learn how to make quality an integral part of their company operations.
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How To Choose A Diamond

Buying a diamond can be a significant purchase – both emotionally and financially.

As with any major acquisition, you want to make sure you have a basic understanding of what to look for so that you get the ring or other diamond jewelry you want.

According to the Gemological Institute of America (GIA) – the world's foremost gemological authority in gemology – buying the diamond of your dreams should be worry-free if you follow three basic steps:

Step 1: Choose a qualified jeweler.

Choose your jeweler as you would choose your doctor, lawyer or any other professional. Ideally your jeweler will be a GIA Graduate Gemologist (G.G.) or a GIA Accredited Jewelry Professional (A.J.P.). In addition, look for affiliations with jewelry industry groups and professional associations. A knowledgeable jeweler will clearly explain the "4Cs" of diamond quality and will encourage you to compare diamonds to suit your price range.

Step 2: Learn the "4Cs" of diamond quality.

The key to a diamond's value is its rarity and no two diamonds are alike. Rarity is determined by a diamond's unique characteristics as measured by the 4Cs: Carat (weight), Clarity, Color and Cut. Using these criteria, a small diamond of exceptional quality will likely be more valuable than a larger diamond of lower quality.

Carat – Diamonds are weighed using metric carats. A carat weighs about the same as a small paper clip. Just as a dollar is divided into 100 pennies, a carat is divided into 100 "points." This means that a diamond of 50 points weighs 0.50 carats. But two diamonds of equal weight can have very different values depending on their clarity, color and cut.

Clarity – Created by nature, most diamonds contain unique birthmarks called "inclusions" (internal) and "blemishes" (external). Diamonds with few birthmarks are rare – and rarity translates to cost. Using the internationally recognized GIA Diamond Grading System, diamonds are given a clarity grade that ranges from flawless, to diamonds with more prominent inclusions (I3).

Color – Colorless diamonds are extremely rare and highly valued. Most are nearly colorless with yellow or brown tints. The GIA Diamond Grading System uses letters to represent colors, beginning with D (colorless) and

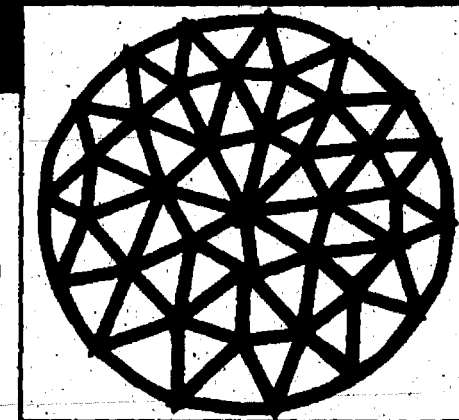
ending at Z (light yellow or brown).

Cut – While diamonds come in many different shapes, from round brilliants to hearts, pears and marquise, cut has to do

with the proportions. The well-cut diamond uses light to create brilliance, sparkles and flashes of fire.

Step 3: Ask for an independent diamond grading report.

For the ultimate peace of mind, ask your jeweler to provide an independent diamond grading report with your diamond. The most widely used and respected reports are those issued by the independent GIA Gem Trade Laboratory, who provides reports on the world's most important diamonds.



How to Choose a Jeweler

Choose a jeweler as you would choose your doctor, lawyer or any other professional. Ask friends and colleagues for recommendations.

Consider how long a jeweler has been in business. Look for GIA diplomas or other verifiable evidence of a jeweler's education and qualifications. Check for affiliations with jewelry industry groups and professional associations. A knowledgeable jeweler will clearly explain how the "4Cs" (Cut, Clarity, Color, and Carat Weight) affect the value of diamonds and will encourage you to compare a number of stones within the same price range.



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Measurements **5.53 x 5.49 x 3.96 mm**

Weight **1.01 carat**

Proportions

Depth **72.1 %**

Table **79 %**

Girdle **MEDIUM TO THICK**

Culet **NONE**

Finish

Polish **VERY GOOD**

Symmetry **GOOD**

Clarity Grade **S11**

Color Grade **G**

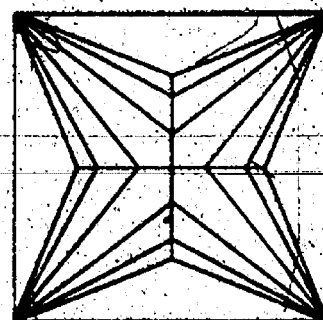
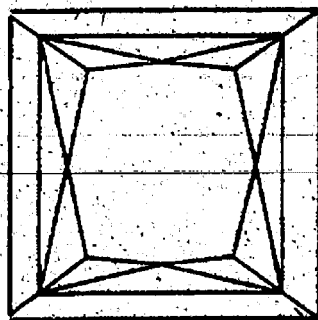
Fluorescence **NONE**

Comments:

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GIA CLARITY SCALE		GIA COLOR SCALE	
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INTERNALLY FLAWLESS		E	
VS ₁		F	
VS ₂		G	
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VS ₂		I	
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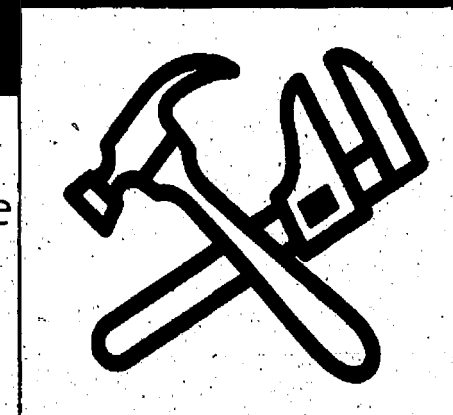
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How To Choose A Contractor



Whether you're planning an addition for a growing family or simply getting new storm windows, finding a competent and reliable contractor is the first step to a successful and satisfying home improvement project.

Your home may be your most valuable financial asset. That's why it's important to be cautious when you hire someone to work on it.

Seek a short list of reputable, established and licensed and insured contractor. Then, interview each contractor you're considering. Here are some questions to ask.

- How long have you been in business? Look for a well-established company and check it out with consumer protection officials. They can tell you if there are unresolved consumer complaints on file. One caveat: No record of complaints against a particular contractor doesn't necessarily mean no previous consumer problems. It may be that problems exist, but have not yet been reported, or that the contractor is doing business under several different names.

- Are you licensed and registered with the state? While most states license electrical and plumbing contractors, only 36 states have some type of licensing and registration statutes affecting contractors, remodelers, and/or specialty contractors. The licensing can range from simple registration to a detailed qualification process. Also, the licensing requirements in one locality may be different from the requirements in the rest of the state. Check with your local building department or consumer protection agency to find out about licensing requirements in your area.

Michigan has licensing laws, ask to see the contractor's license. Make sure it's current and in the same name as on your contract.

- How many projects like mine have you completed in the last year? Ask for a list. This will help you determine how familiar the contractor is with your type of project.

- Will my project require a permit? Most states and localities require permits for building projects, even for simple jobs like decks. A competent contractor will get all the necessary permits before starting work on your project. Be suspicious if the contractor asks you to get the permit(s). It could mean that the contractor is not licensed or registered, as required by your state or locality.

- May I have a list of references? The contractor should be able to give you the names, addresses, and phone numbers of at least three clients who have projects similar to yours. Ask each how long ago the project was completed and if you can see it. Also, tell the contractor that you'd like to visit jobs in progress.

- Will you be using subcontractors on this project? If yes,

ask to meet them, and make sure they have current insurance coverage and licenses, if required. Also ask them if they were paid on time by this contractor. A "mechanic's lien" could

be placed on your home if your contractor fails to pay the subcontractors and suppliers on your project. That means the subcontractors and suppliers could go to court to force you to sell your home to satisfy their unpaid bills from your project. Protect yourself by asking the contractor, and every subcontractor and supplier, for a lien release or lien waiver.

- What types of insurance do you carry? Contractors should have personal liability, worker's compensation, and property damage coverage. Ask for copies of insurance certificates, and make sure they're current. Avoid doing business with contractors who don't carry the appropriate insurance. Otherwise, you'll be held liable for any injuries and damages that occur during the project.

Don't Get Nailed

Not all contractors operate within the law. Here are some tip-offs to potential rip-offs. A less than reputable contractor:

- Solicits door-to-door;
- Offers you discounts for finding other customers;
- Just happens to have materials left over from a previous job;
- Only accepts cash payments;
- Asks you to get the required building permits;
- Does not list a business number in the local telephone directory;
- Tells you your job will be a "demonstration;"
- Pressures you for an immediate decision;
- Offers exceptionally long guarantees;
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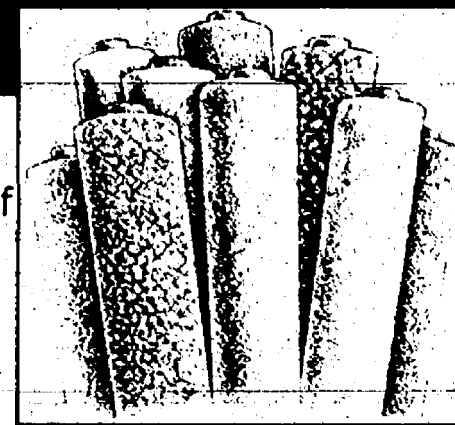
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How To Choose A Carpet



Carpet – nothing looks like it, feels like it or performs like it. It enhances the peace and quiet of your home by absorbing sound. It insulates against the cold, cushions your feet with comfort, and adds safety – helping to prevent slips and falls and protecting dropped objects from being damaged.

And because carpet is a key decorative element in the home and a major purchase, you must keep several factors in mind during your selection process.

Perhaps the most important things to consider are these: Does it fit your taste, and does it match your lifestyle? This informative section was created to help you make a selection that best suits your home and your budget.

Location & Use – Before purchasing carpet, you need to answer the following questions: How is the room going to be used? Will it have heavy or light traffic? Will the room be the center of activity for family and entertaining? Is there direct access from outside, or will the carpet be away from entrances? Will the carpet receive direct sunlight?

Where there is to be heavy traffic (usually the family room, hallways and stairways), choose the best carpet you can afford. When shopping for carpet, look for performance rating guidelines with various brands of carpet. This rating system offers guidance on choosing the carpet that will perform best for various traffic needs. Most guidelines will be based on a 5-point scale, with the number 4 or 5 rating being best for the highest traffic areas. A 2 to 3 rating is good for areas with less traffic.

Color – Because it covers so much living space, carpet is the foundation of your room's décor. It can be a neutral color, blending in with fabrics and other surfaces; or it can be a vibrant focal point of the room, making a statement that reflects your style.

The selection of carpet color is a very personal choice. Carpet comes in almost every color, pattern, and texture you can imagine. You will want to select a color that unites your decorative elements and creates the atmosphere you desire. Ever-popular beige carpet can make a room look spacious; but for a bolder statement, look for a common color in your furniture and draperies. Choose a carpet with a similar hue. Environmental colors, like blues, deep greens, rosy quartz, and stony neutrals are becoming increasingly popular.

Warm colors can turn up the heat in a room that lacks light, while cool greens and blues have a calming effect. Lighter colors make the room seem larger; darker colors provide coziness. There are also practical considerations in color selection. New stain and soil resistant technology makes today's lighter color carpet much easier to clean, allowing more decorating options. Medium and darker colors, tweeds, and textures will help disguise common soil in your home's high traffic areas.

Cost – Your budget and your needs are two key elements in selecting carpet and rugs. There are a wide range of choices and costs from which to make your selection. Ask yourself how long you expect to keep your carpet before replacing it. A better grade of carpet will give you a greater length of service than one of

lesser quality. Buy the best carpet you can afford for the heavy traffic areas of your home – halls, stairs, and family rooms. A medium grade will provide good service in rooms with less traffic – bedrooms and guest rooms.

The cost of carpet is based on many factors, including fiber, construction, quality, and design. The total project will include the cost of cushion and installation. Be wary of the cheapest products or services.

Ask your retailer to give you a complete cost estimate – one that includes cushion, installation, moving of furniture, hauling off old flooring materials, and any special needs that you may have. Remember – a high-quality, professional installation can extend the life of your investment.

Textures and Patterns – Today's carpet offers much more than a conventional loop pile. To add to a room's sophistication and interest, consider choosing a textured pattern. New technology can produce multilevel loop and cut/loop patterns. The texture, colors, and pattern of the carpet can be made to complement or contrast with patterns of your furniture and window treatments. Using a solid color, textured carpet is a great way to provide interest and pizzazz, without going to a multicolor, overall pattern.

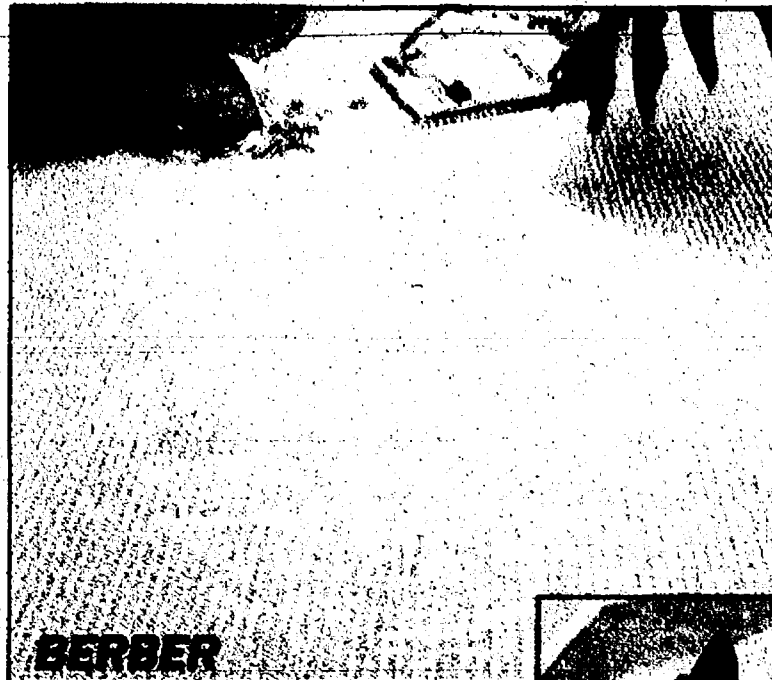
Fibers – Fiber is carpet's basic ingredient. The type of fiber used and the way the carpet is constructed determine how well the carpet will stand up to spills, pets, and daily traffic. Approximately 97 percent of all carpet is produced using synthetic fibers that are designed to feature style, easy maintenance, and outstanding value. There are five basic types of carpet pile fibers: Nylon; Olefin (polypropylene); Polyester; Acrylic; Wool; and Blends.

Measurement

To determine the approximate quantity of carpet you will need, multiply the length (feet) of the room by its width (feet) for the square footage. To obtain the square yardage, divide that figure by 9. Your retailer may figure the amount in square feet or square yards. Add 10 percent to account for room irregularities and pattern match. It is best to have your retailer or installer make final measurements to ensure that you purchase the correct amount. As professionals, they know how to include hallways and closets, match patterns, plan seam placement, work with room irregularities, and account for rooms with widths greater than 12 feet. (Most carpet is produced in 12- and 15-foot widths.) Dealers may sell by the square foot or the square yard.

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