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Community mourns loss of fair board president

Kenneth McCalla remembered as a generous and hard-working man

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

Friends, associates and co-workers remembered local businessman and Chelsea Community Fair Board President Kenneth McCalla Monday as a giving, hardworking, reliable and trustworthy man who cared deeply about his community — someone, in other words, who will be sorely missed.

McCalla died Friday in Gaylord after suffering injuries in a snowmobile accident. He was 51.

McCalla had served as president of the Chelsea Community Fair Board since 1990, and was a board member for 20 years.

He was active in 4-H throughout his life, was a member of the Chelsea Rod and Gun Club and was a livestock buyer at many fairs.

McCalla worked at McCalla Feed Service Inc., a family

business, after graduating Chelsea High School. The company distributes animal feed and mulch.

His hobbies included bowling, golfing and snowmobiling. He also was involved as a high school athletic booster.

McCalla and his wife, Susan, bought the family business from Kenneth's father, Ralph McCalla, shortly before Ralph died.

McCalla married Susan in 1974, and the couple had two children, Ralph, who resides in Grass Lake, and Amy, who lives in Wyoming, Mich.

McCalla's death comes at an especially tragic time, as Amy is engaged to be married this month. McCalla's lifelong friend, Jamie Bollinger, said Monday.



Kenneth McCalla

Many of McCalla's friends said Monday that he was an exceptionally good-hearted man.

"I would describe him as one of the kindest men I had the opportunity to be around," friend Wayne Welton said. "He had a contagious smile. Ken is what Chelsea is all about — caring, kindness and service."

Said Elaine Feldkamp, who was in 4-H with McCalla when they were kids, "He was a terrific person who was always willing to help."

McCalla Feed Service Inc. co-worker and friend Ron Stoffer added, "The community won't be the same without him around."

McCalla was close friends with Tom Edman, vice president of the Chelsea Community Fair Board.

Edman said Monday that he and McCalla, who both have kids close in age, were looking forward to enjoying their newly found "empty-nest" years.

Edman added that McCalla was a tireless leader of the fair. "He spent so many hours doing tedious things, like picking up trash or cutting grass," Edman said.

"I can't tell you anyone that doesn't like him, and I can't

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— PLAYING WITH THE BIG BOYS —



Photo by Craig Watson

John Finstrom (left), a Detroit Red Wings alumni player, playfully jostles Michael Redmon of the Chelsea Chiefs Mite A travel team as Redmon's teammate, Jack Miller, skates forward. The bout was during intermission of a hockey game pitting a Detroit Red Wings alumni team against the Friends of Chelsea hockey team last Saturday at Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea. Arctic Coliseum's open house, celebrating the facility's new ownership, also featured an open skate, face painting and clowns.

CHELSEA

City OKs Fire Authority budget despite concerns

Efficiency of medical runs questioned

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

The City Council passed a new regional fire department budget Jan. 25, but not before concerns were raised about the unpredictability of funding fire budgets, as well as about the efficiency of emergency medical runs.

Chelsea's fiscal year 2004-05 amended budget for the Chelsea Area Fire Authority was \$175,211, but that budget was based on a past 24 percent usage rate and didn't reflect a jump to a 33 percent rate, said Gary Adams of Lima Township, an at-large member of the Fire Board.

Chelsea's projected contribution to the fiscal year 2005-06 Fire Authority budget is \$242,204, or about 35 percent of the Fire Authority's total \$700,000 budget.

On paper, the city's increase in payments from the 2004-05 budget to the 2005-06 budget is about 38 percent, but Adams said the increase doesn't reflect true cost increases to the city because of overlapping fiscal year boundaries and adjustments to man-hour proportions. He said the true budget increase for Chelsea is about 5 percent.

Nevertheless, Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac said Monday that \$72,000 of the city's general fund would

now have to be used to fund the Fire Authority, plus an unknown amount for the Fire Authority's 2006-07 budget.

Steklac, who said he "reluctantly" recommended approval of the proposed budget, said the increases come at a difficult time for the city's general fund.

"Our fund balance is not that strong. It will probably be the most difficult thing to tackle in this coming year."

He added that it's problematic for the city and Fire Authority member municipalities to budget for run percentages that can vary widely from year to year.

Possible solutions could

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CHELSEA

Superintendent: Punishment for weapons vary by case

Parents can appeal permanent expulsions for gun-toting students

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

Citing the Family Educational Rights Privacy Act, a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records, Chelsea Schools Superintendent Dave Killips last week declined to comment on what disciplinary action the school dis-

trict has taken against a seventh-grader who brought a gun to Beach Middle School Jan. 10.

But without specifically addressing the 13-year-old pupil's case, Killips expounded on possible disciplinary actions that could be imposed on students who bring weapons to school.

Chelsea Police Chief Scott Sumner said Tuesday that a police investigation of the pupil has concluded.

Chelsea police have submitted a petition to the Washtenaw Family Court Juvenile Division prosecu-

tor's office, Sumner said.

"As soon as (the juvenile prosecutor) reviews the case, they will issue charges and go to court," Sumner said.

The pupil brought an antique, 9 mm pinfire pistol into a hallway near the school's pool sometime after the school opened at 7 a.m.

The pupil gave the gun to a 14-year-old eighth-grader prior to the first class of the day, which started at 8:20 a.m.

The eighth-grader hid the gun under a pine tree on school property, and notified a teacher about the

gun by the school's first period. Officers from the Chelsea Police Department recovered the weapon, which was not loaded.

The seventh-grader stole the gun the day before he brought it to school, but the gun was not loaded and the pupil did not bring ammunition to school, police said.

Police and school officials said although the pupil didn't say why he brought the gun to school, they didn't believe he meant to harm anyone.

Additionally, finding proper ammunition to fire the more than

150-year-old gun would have been difficult, they said.

Killips said that state law allows the Chelsea Board of Education, or its designee, to decide disciplinary actions, adding that he alone determined the punishment for the seventh-grader.

"The situation has been dealt with," Killips said.

In other cases of students bringing weapons to school, Killips said the school board could hold expulsion hearings.

That said, Killips added that cer-

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Interested candidates should send letters of interest to Chelsea City Clerk, 305 S. Main St.,

Ste. 100, Chelsea MI 48118.

■ **"Ice Age" movie to show at Chelsea District Library:** The Chelsea District Library will show the movie "Ice Age" 4 p.m. Feb. 14 at the library, 500 Washington St. in Chelsea, as part of the library's Winter Family Reading Fun activities.

Featuring the voices of Ray Romano and Denis Leary, "Ice Age" is the funny story of a human baby rescued and returned to its migrat-

ing family by a woolly mammoth, a saber tooth tiger and a sloth.

Popcorn and refreshments will be served. The event is free and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 475-8732.

■ **Community arts meeting rescheduled:** The Chelsea Center for the Arts will hold its community arts meeting 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Clock Tower Complex.

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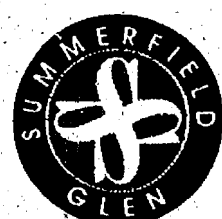
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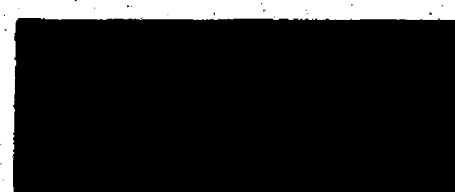
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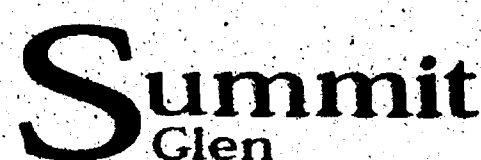
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Library offers senior class, computer support group

Volunteers sought to provide computer training for elderly

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

For seniors who want to surf the Web, the Chelsea District Library offers Senior Computing: One to One, an open format workshop held from 10 a.m. to noon on the first and third Tuesdays each month.

Ron Andrews, head of technology services for the library, leads the class.

"I know there are a lot of classes out there for seniors, but I also know from working with them that sometimes they need a little extra hands-on help away from the class setting," Andrews said.

"Some feel threatened and insecure in a class situation,

and this is the perfect way to have personal attention that is non-threatening and can address their specific needs."

Andrews taught similar workshops for several years at Forsyth County Public Library in North Carolina.

"Seniors are usually very excited and very appreciative of help," he said. "I have envisioned the Senior Computing: One to One program, not to be the traditional class or structured workshop, but a time set aside for just seniors, 55 and up, to come in and use the computers without a lot of distractions and with someone who can hopefully help them answer common computer questions."

One participant, for example, who runs a small business, is setting up price sheets using Excel and has questions about formatting and design setup. Another

person, who came in to the library last week, knew nothing about computers but was taking an e-mail class in Ann Arbor later in the afternoon, so Andrews covered a few Windows basics.

"I also told her that after the class she could use this time to come back and practice with help if she needed it," he said.

Andrews thinks seniors would also welcome learning how to set up free e-mail accounts, how to send attachments via e-mail, basic Word and Excel help, how to search the Internet, and how to search library databases that are available to the public.

The library is also setting up CPUs — Computer and Public User Support — a volunteer opportunity for adults who have a good working knowledge of computers and would enjoy working with library patrons, answering

computing questions. Training is provided to volunteers who can provide a two-hour block of time each week for at least three months.

"The CPUs is a totally different feel," Andrews said. "Here the objective is to give us some help in supporting the public computer user's common questions where the reference staff is busy. I think that this would provide someone looking for a public service outlet the perfect combination of knowledge and training."

"I hope the CPUs will enjoy working with the different types of patrons that we have — teens to seniors, no experience, to knowing a little bit. I really had hoped that we could utilize the teens here, but with the current Internet policy, it would not be possible. However I really see it working in the teen and children's computing areas in the new build-

ing."

Andrews sees the biggest need in the afternoons, especially the 1 to 3 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. slots, when many people use the workstations and need help.

"This would be a big help to the circulation and reference staffs to know that there is someone else monitoring the computers so they can concentrate on their respective jobs," he said.

"As far as experience, comfort with the Windows operating system, knowledge of free e-mail services, searching the Internet and basic Microsoft office applications

is all. They do not have to be skilled in the fine points of any of these."

"I think most of our questions and help are in the area of how do I get on, how do I print and general questions relating to the applications or to the Internet."

All workshops will be held on the Chelsea District Library public workstations at the library, 500 Washington St. in Chelsea. Space is limited and advance registration is required for the workshops.

For information, call 475-8732 or visit the Web site www.chelsea.lib.mi.us.

STATE

Governor signs identity theft bills

Consumers to receive more protection to help prevent crime

By Andrea Blum
Heritage Newspapers

Consumers soon will have more protections to help prevent identity theft.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm recently signed a new package of bills, dubbed the Identity Theft Act, into law.

The 11 new laws take effect in March and provide a host of new safeguards against the crime by updating the state's criminal statutes.

"As recently as 2002, Michigan ranked sixth in the nation for identity theft cases," Granholm said.

"These new laws will ensure more is done at the state level to help law enforcement and prosecutors crack down on identity thieves and to help victims recover."

According to statistics, identity theft victims spend about 600 hours trying to clear their names.

The new provisions in the laws:

- Make it a felony to use personal identification information to obtain goods and services without consent.

- Prohibit businesses from denying credit or public utility service to identity theft victims.

- Clarify the jurisdiction where identity theft could be prosecuted.

- Extend the statute of limitations for identity theft to six years after the crime was committed.

- Create the Social Security Number Privacy Act to prohibit certain uses of Social Security numbers.

- Establish the right of a victim to obtain a police report.

- List identity theft as an unlawful practice of trade or commerce.

- Prohibit the issuing of sales receipts that show more than the last four digits

of a credit card account number.

- Prohibit requiring a consumer to provide a Social Security number as a condition for doing business.

Patricia Nelski has been crusading for tougher identity theft laws since becoming a victim in 1996. She battled with phone giant Ameritech for years after a woman used her identity to open a fraudulent account.

She's written three books about identity theft and has several other lawsuits pending.

"Something positive has finally come out of all these years of fighting it," she said

of the new laws.

Nelski testified before both the state Senate and House of Representatives this past summer.

"I think it made a world of difference having a victim there," she said. "It showed them the emotional impact of the crime."

And while the new laws give more protections to victims and establish fines and punishments for criminals, Nelski said the fight will go on.

"The overuse and abuse of Social Security numbers had to be stopped," she said. "But until this crime is abolished, I will keep fighting it."

STRAIGHT FACTS

An article in last week's edition about the Chelsea American Legion's Winter Carnival should have said Gus Hansen is the past commander of Post 31.

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Chelsea City Manager Mike Steklac (left), Ron McCalla, Ken McCalla and Mayor Ann Feeney were among a group of local officials who kicked off the Chelsea Community Fair last August with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Ken McCalla, owner of McCalla Feeds and president of the Chelsea Community Fair Board since 1990, died from injuries suffered in a snowmobile accident last Friday in Gaylord.

MOURNS

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think of a more generous and caring person with their time and finances for the community.

"Ken was a leader, and what a model citizen should have been."

Chelsea Area Fire Authority Chief Dan Ellenwood described McCalla as a "gentleman," who "was always very positive and upbeat."

"If he could help in any way, he was always willing to do his part," Ellenwood said. "I consider him a friend, and he'll be missed."

Ellenwood said McCalla was especially helpful in allowing the Fire Authority to park its vehicles and store equipment on the fairgrounds at no cost to taxpayers.

McCalla also made financial donations to the Fire Authority's firefighters association, Ellenwood said, adding that he's known the McCalla family since childhood.

"Everyone I knew never

had a bad word to say about him," Ellenwood said.

Ellenwood added that Chelsea firefighters would pay their respects to McCalla as a group.

Chelsea Police Chief Scott Sumner described McCalla as a "remarkably kind man," adding that McCalla worked hard to organize and operate the fair.

"He was a soft-spoken person, and he was a pleasure to work with," Sumner said. "Mr. McCalla was a solid citizen, and he will be dearly missed. This is a significant loss to the community."

Bollinger, who served on the Fair Board for 12 years with him, said he enjoyed going on special fishing trips to Canada with McCalla and a group of buddies, although lately the trips had stopped.

"As our businesses got busier, we always said we were going to do it. We just never got time to do it," Bollinger said.

The friends also played euchre and bowled together.

Bollinger added that business was going very well for McCalla.

"He was in the prime of his

life, and he had everything going for him. This couldn't have come at a worst time for his family.

"He was a really dedicated and committed man to his family business and to the Fair Board. He lived, breathed and slept the Fair Board for years."

"He had leadership and energy. He was the hardest working person I've ever known, and he always led from the front. He was honest and willing to give and do for others in his business, too."

"He had a really successful business, and a lot of people appreciated him and respected him in the business community."

Bollinger said McCalla and his wife recently bought a vacation home near Manicouagan, where they enjoyed getting away to ride snowmobiles.

Aside from losing a personal friend, Bollinger said the Chelsea community as a whole has suffered a big loss.

"He's going to be missed as a father, friend and a Fair Board president," Bollinger said.

"It's going to be a great loss

to the fair. This will reach the whole community."

"I hope I can leave a legacy like he's leaving. I hope people can talk about me like we talk about him. He was a great person to know, and it deeply saddens everyone to lose someone of that caliber."

Bob Pierce, executive director of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber, the local businesses community and the Chelsea community as a whole has lost someone special.

"The overall community has lost a giant," Pierce said. "He was so involved in Chelsea and cared so much about our town. It's very painful to see someone like him have to leave like this."

Funeral services for McCalla were held yesterday at First United Methodist Church, with burial at Oak Grove East Cemetery in Chelsea.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chelsea Community Fair.

—Special Writer Rita Fischer contributed to this story.

WEAPONS

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tain stipulations could result in students not being expelled.

Such situations include circumstances in which a principal approves a weapon being brought to campus, under adult supervision and for demonstration purposes.

They also include scenar-

ios in which students don't possess weapons knowingly, or don't know that certain items are considered dangerous weapons.

Examples of such items include knives, tire irons, explosives, clubs or brass knuckles.

Killips said that state law calls for permanent expulsion of a student who brings a gun to school — from both the student's current school dis-

trict and any other school district in the state. However, parents of those students can petition school districts to readmit them after 150 school days, although a student couldn't re-enroll until after 180 school days, Killips said.

Additionally, Killips said schools must determine if offending students should be classified as regular education students, or if they are in

fact special education students who weren't properly designated.

Special education students are subject to federal law as well as state law, he said.

A student deemed mentally handicapped could only receive suspensions of up to 45 days, during which time the student would receive two non-consecutive hours of

school instruction, per week, Killips said.

According to Michigan law, any records of students bringing weapons to school will follow such students to any other in-state school.

"It's a solid law for kids and safety issues," Killips said.

However, there is no law requiring such records to fol-

low students on an interstate basis, Killips said.

In other words, Killips said it "would be conceivable" that a student who brings a gun to school could enroll in a school in another state, without any record of the incident.

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BUDGET

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come with voter passage of a Fire Authority operational millage, or a billing method based on formulas averaging usage rates, Steklac said.

At the Jan. 25 meeting, City Council Trustee Cheri Albertson questioned why both a Fire Authority rescue truck and a Huron Valley Ambulance unit service medical runs, which account for between 70 and 80 percent of all runs in the city.

Albertson suggested that better screening of medical calls could streamline the process and save money.

She said that, as a City Council member, she's obligated to find ways to cut costs.

"(The Fire Authority) needs to be a lean, mean and efficient machine," Albertson said. "I'm asking for a careful analysis of medical runs."

Fire Authority rescue vehicles cannot transport patients to hospitals, although Huron Valley Ambulance vehicles can. But during medical emergencies, both rescue operations respond to calls.

Steklac, City Council Trustee Joe Merkel and Fire Authority Chief Dan Ellenwood said there has been talk of the Fire Authority establishing its own ambulance service.

Ellenwood said such a possibility would be much more likely if voters pass a Fire Authority millage that would build new substations.

Steklac said establishing the ambulance service likely would result in hiring more full-time Fire Authority personnel.

While a Huron Valley Ambulance vehicle is stationed in Chelsea, Ellenwood said Tuesday that the ambulance is called to other areas in the county more than half the time.

In such cases, Ellenwood said Fire Authority vehicles

and personnel — who can provide basic life support — often respond much faster than ambulances, arriving within three minutes in the city after calls are made.

Huron Valley Ambulance crews, however, can provide advanced life support services.

Ellenwood said that many of the local medical runs stem from Chelsea's large elderly population, but he

emphasized that many local seniors live in independent housing situations, and pay taxes to the city.

Steklac said city officials might meet with Fire Authority leaders and police dispatch personnel to examine whether changes in procedures could reduce the number of emergency runs.

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CHELSEA

Resident leads parent-child music classes

Christine Law finds her niche working with children at the CCA

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Christine Law is sometimes all fingers and thumbs. And she loves it, as do the small children who learn finger plays and songs in her preschool music classes.

Law, who teaches a parent-child music class at the Chelsea Center for the Arts, has always loved working with children. In high school, she volunteered at a Montessori school and a gym club, and during college at Michigan State University, where she earned a degree in parks and recreation with an emphasis in therapeutic recreation, she worked at a youth home, summer camp and at an after-school program.

After her Spartan days in which she met her husband, John, she continued working with children in various jobs and in groups with her own children.

"I had two children, two years apart, and loved participating in music class with them," she said. "This is where my initial interest in music and theater with kids was sparked."

In those weekly classes, Law learned finger plays, songs to sing and music activities to do with her two children, Zac and Mikaelyn.

"These activities were my children's favorites and music became a big part of our life," she said.

Law enjoyed it so much, she created and led a music class out of her home until the family moved to a new location.

At this point in her life, Law made another new move — into theater, acting in community theater and taking classes in New Jersey and New York City.

"I loved it and for the first time in my life I realized music and theater are for everyone," she said.

"It takes all types of people to create great theater and all types of voices to create music. Up until then, I had thought that only beautiful people could become actors and only people with angelic voices could become singers. Now I noticed all the real people in a play or a movie and listened to music searching for different styles, voices and beats."

"I also learned it is never too late to begin in music or theater."

Law began directing chil-



Christine Law teaches a parent-child music class at the Chelsea Center for the Arts. She has always loved working with children, beginning in high school when she volunteered at a Montessori school.

dren's plays and served as assistant director for an adult show, learning about presentation, movement, voice and personal vision for any performance.

She also taught movement and music classes for two years at her local YMCA, a sort of Gymboree-style class for children ages 1 to 4.

When the family moved to Indianapolis, Law worked at a before- and after-school program and also began teaching a small theater program.

"I continued to do community theater for one year, but most of my energy was directed to home-schooling my two children," she said.

At the same time, she took many classes and attended conferences on children and Waldorf education.

"I always found there was more to learn and it always rejuvenated my teaching enthusiasm," she said.

The next move was to Chelsea, where Law's two older children were her incentive to start a theater class, after finding there were children's groups in Ann Arbor but none in Chelsea. Advertising to home school groups brought her a full class of children ranging in age from 8 to 16.

"The class I created used all the senses, movement and a lot of opportunities to perform," she said. "I believe this is ultimately the best way for kids to learn."

Law went on to teach at the

Chelsea Area Players summer theater workshop one year, and directed the program the following year. She taught two classes through Chelsea Community Education, and for three years taught four classes a year for Explorers, a group in Ann Arbor.

"The classes always ended with a performance in which the kids mostly picked their parts," she said. "It was always a little over-ambitious because we only met for 12 weeks once a week and I always rewrote the plays so all the kids could have a nice part."

"Needless to say, the sets and costumes were minimal, but the kids still had a great experience because they were given the opportunity to act. That's really all they want to do. It's nice to have a big production, but for kids it can be the simplest of shows."

After the birth of her third child, Sierra, Law returned to her favorite age group — preschoolers. She helped to bring together a group of moms and children for a Waldorf-inspired playgroup.

"I had been going to Magic Years Conferences for 12 years at the Steiner School in Ann Arbor," she said. "I loved the way they led circle times and told stories to children."

"Our group took turns leading the circle time and telling the stories the first year we were together, then

we hired a teacher. She was engaging, beautiful and peaceful. The children loved her and the songs and stories she brought."

This year, Law has led the "circle time."

"It's been so much fun. I've learned how to pull together a series of songs and activities, so they flow together and relate to some central theme," she said. "I feel like I'm doing a show. A lot of thought and preparation goes into creating a circle. Lucky for me, that circle is repeated for three to four weeks — kids like repetition."

This experience, combined with Law's experience at Music for Little People with Gari Stein in Ann Arbor, gave her the incentive to begin a class in Chelsea.

"I wanted to bring these

wonderful classes together," she said. "Offering a parent-child music class, that is so much more. It's an early introduction to music

through songs, finger plays, rhythm activities, listening games, storytelling, movement and dance."

The class, "Let's Play Music," is offered 4:30 Tuesdays at the Chelsea Center for the Arts, and mingles children ages 1 to 4 years old in activities they can do at their level.

"The class has many fun and enriching activities, but I try to keep it from hyping kids up as many classes do," Law said. "There is so much stimulus for children these days that my philosophy is to present many traditional songs and basic movements and rhythms with a lot of repetition."

"Most kids pick up so much they will continue doing class activities at home on their own. Hopefully, this will continue in the rest of their life. I know it will for me. I find myself singing all the time, and drumming or tapping out a rhythm while making dinner."

"Music is for all people for all times."

Sheila Pursglove is a freelance writer. She can be reached at bingley51@yahoo.com.

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U of M to participate in cancer research study

The National Cancer Institute, part of the National Institutes of Health, recently announced that SAIC-Fredrick Inc. has made two-year awards, under a competitive solicitation totaling \$13.4 million, to two research teams from 10 cancer research institutions, including the University of Michigan Medical School.

The awards reflect a new collaborative team approach to develop the standard tools and resources needed to accelerate a protein biomarker discovery, providing new and highly specific approaches to the early detection and diagnosis of cancer.

Teams of researchers will use genetically defined mouse models of human cancers to study current proteomic technologies, compare results, and provide reference data sets and biological resources for widespread research use throughout the cancer research community.

The approach will enable comparability of results among multiple laboratories currently using different proteomic technologies.

Common data sets and resources will make it easier to develop and test the next generation of technologies for discovering biomarkers that signal the earliest stages

of cancer in humans.

"Proteomics holds enormous potential for the early detection of cancer, but researchers must have standard reagents and reproducible technologies to accelerate the discovery and development of these biomarkers into clinical use," Dr. Andrew von Eschenbach, director of the National Cancer Institute, said in a press release.

"We believe that this unique network — with its teams of experts — will speed up the development of effective proteomic technologies for the benefit of cancer patients and their families."

Added Dr. Allen Lichter, dean of the University of Michigan Medical School: "This initiative is a perfect example of how tomorrow's advances in biomedical research and medicine will come from teams of researchers working together to translate discoveries in the basic sciences into new diagnostic tools and treatments for diseases like cancer."

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Dexter Village

Medical Assist

A resident in the 7600 block of Forest Street called sheriff's deputies Jan. 17 after a Gregory man threatened to hang himself in the front yard of the caller's home.

The resident said the man called from a restaurant in Dexter. When deputies arrived at the restaurant, they saw damage inside and spoke to the man about his threats. According to a police report, he said he did not intend to kill himself and was only trying to bother the person on Forest Street because of a money dispute.

Deputies administered an alcohol breath test and discovered he had a 0.13 percent blood-alcohol level. A level of 0.08 or higher is considered legally drunk under state law.

The man said he had been drinking for several hours and normally took medication, but could not find his medicine. An ambulance took him to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township for an evaluation.

Home Invasion

A neighbor's daughter stole \$70 worth of liquor Jan. 17 from a home in the 14000 block of North Territorial Road. The suspect admitted to police to stealing the alcohol. She came into the house through an unlocked door.

Joy Riding

Someone between the evening of Jan. 21 and the early afternoon of Jan. 22 took a maroon 2003 Chevrolet Malibu from Dexter Chevrolet and brought it back with extensive front-end damage.

Employees said the car was in fine shape when someone returned it Friday. An employee saw the damage on Saturday.

No one at the dealership said they knew what happened. Repairs were estimated to be between \$4,500 and \$5,000, according to a police report.

The police were unable to match the car with records of car crashes during that time.

Breaking and Entering

A breaking and entering was reported Jan. 24 in the 3300 block of Broad Street. The owner of the property, a rental home, believes former tenants broke in to retrieve personal belongings after they were evicted.

The tenants owed \$8,000 in back rent. The landlord planned to hold the items as payment.

Missing items included a big-screen television, a large wooden dining room table and a washing machine.

Larceny from Auto

A digital camera, some DVDs and a memory stick for the camera were reported stolen Jan. 27 from a vehicle in the 6900 block of Brassow Lane.

The estimated value of the items was \$450.

The items had been missing since the first week of January. A neighbor of the complainant said there had been several similar incidents that week.

Breaking and Entering

Pry marks on a garage door and three missing bottles of liquor indicated a crime had been committed on the 8800 block of Argonne in Dexter Township Jan. 27.

The incident occurred between 6:50 and 11:40 a.m. Police noted only one set of footprints in the snow leading away from the garage and none leading up to it.

Police questioned the teenage son of the resident, who said he had broken into the house through a window when he couldn't get inside, but hadn't been the cause of the garage damage and did not know who had done it.

Scio Township

Embezzlement and Possession of Marijuana

Management at the Meijer store, 5645 Jackson Road, reported Jan. 27 that employees had been caught in a ploy the previous day to steal video game systems and other items from the store.

A sheriff's deputy spoke to the suspects. One of the employees, a Manchester resident, said that he and another employee, a Pinckney man, had stolen game systems, games, CDs, a watch and some juice. The items were valued at \$1,724.

Meijer security had noticed missing items in the media section of the store and began scrutinizing the area. Security saw the Pinckney man on Jan. 26 trying to hide a game system in his clothes.

The Manchester man still had some of the stolen goods in the backseat of his car when he came to work on Jan. 27. Police also found a small amount of marijuana on the man from Pinckney.

Stolen Vehicle

A sheriff's deputy stopped an Ypsilanti man Jan. 20 on Baker Road at Interstate 94 for driving a stolen vehicle. The driver had a warrant for his arrest for forgery.

He was taken to the Washtenaw County jail.

Stolen Vehicle

A 1993 Camaro was stolen from the 2700 block of Sagebrush Road. The car was stolen between 11:30 p.m. Jan. 21 and 10:30 a.m. Jan. 22.

Drunken Driving

A man at Jackson and Zeeb roads Jan. 29 tried to convince another man walking on the street to get into his car. The man on the street refused several times and called police.

Police found the driver and his car at a shopping mall parking lot nearby, where police determined the driver had been drinking.

Larceny

Dunning Subaru, 3371 Jackson Road, reported four tires and "BBS" gold rims missing from a silver 2005 Subaru Impreza. The items were stolen between 6:30 p.m. Jan. 28 and 9 a.m. Jan. 29.

The thieves took the tires and rims by putting cinder blocks under the car. The items were valued at \$2,000.

Malicious Destruction of Property

Dunning Toyota, 3700 Jackson Road, reported \$6,000 in damage to a 2005 Toyota Highlander. Cuts were slashed into the interior of the vehicle between 2 p.m. Jan. 28 and 2 p.m. Jan. 28.

Fraud

A female customer left Jonathan Family Restaurant, 4389 Jackson Road, at 7:45 p.m. Jan. 24 without paying the bill.

Prior to ordering her meal, she told employees of the restaurant that she was waiting for her mother, but that she had to go to Meijer for a quick trip and would be back shortly. She then returned and ordered a fried chicken dinner.

After she ate the meal, the woman said she had to go to her vehicle to find out where her mother was. She left her purse with a restaurant employee. The employee saw the woman sit in her car for a moment. When the employee looked at the car again some minutes later, the woman was gone. The purse was empty.

Breaking and Entering

Electronic equipment with an estimated value of \$7,670 was reported stolen from the 4600 block of Stein Road between 10 a.m. Jan. 28 and 2 a.m. Jan. 27.

Compiled by Staff Writer Gary Anglebrandt based on reports filed with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office.



Photo by Alison Marable

Snow Daze

Mykle Vosters, 9, and Breanne Vosters, 11, reach the bottom of a snow-covered hill while sledding near the intersection of M-52 and Waterloo Road in Lyndon Township.

DEXTER-CHELSEA Scholarship applications due April 30

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COMMENTARY

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

McCalla will be missed by many in community

Eleven years ago when I first moved to Chelsea, one of the first projects my family tackled was redesigning the landscaping around our home. Our plans required a small mountain of wood chips, and late one Friday afternoon I found myself at Ken McCalla's doorstep.

After he deftly filled the bed of my pick-up with chips and we went inside so I could pay the bill, I explained that while I was sure I would be back for more, I wasn't really certain how many loads the job would take.

With an easy smile, he said, "Well, there's no sense buying more than you're gonna use." As I moved to pay for what would be the first of many loads, he waved it away, saying, "Let's just hold off. We'll settle up once you've got all you're gonna need."

I was a little unsure, as I anticipated that this would be a project that would likely stretch well into the next week and I didn't know when I'd be back.

"That's OK. I'll just keep track of how many loads you take. Once you're all done, you come back in and we'll settle up," he said.

Understand, I had just moved to town and Ken McCalla didn't know me from Adam, yet by extending me this unexpected courtesy, he made me feel both trusted and welcome in my new hometown.

Over the ensuing years, our paths briefly crossed a few times, and while it's pretty unlikely that he ever recognized me or remembered that pile of wood chips from 1994, I always remembered him and the trust he showed a stranger.

I've come to believe that you can get the true measure of a person's character by watching how they treat wait staff, cashiers, cab drivers and strangers they are not beholden to. And I suspect that I'm not the only person in Chelsea with such a story about Ken McCalla.

As the McCalla family and Ken's many friends mourn the man they knew and loved, and begin to cope with his sudden passing, it's important that those of us who didn't know Ken on a personal basis also pause and acknowledge the tragic loss of an admirable man. As a community, we will certainly be less without him.

Christopher Meloche
Chelsea

Essay contest was a resounding success

It was a joy to coordinate the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest in Chelsea. A number of people helped write the essay questions, read and rate the essays submitted. It was teamwork at its best.

The art of good writing seems to be fading. For those

who watched Ken Byrnes' documentary on the Civil War, one thing that stood out was the eloquence of the letters home from the soldiers. Today, telephone calls and e-mail messages have often replaced letter writing.

E-mail and chat room communication does not require good writing skills. Many e-mail messages from even my most articulate friends lack complete sentences, capitalization and punctuation. Chat room communication has even created its own vocabulary. My favorite new word is "lol" for "laugh out loud." I believe this means that the preceding text was a joke or at least not meant to be taken seriously.

The Michigan Department of Education has placed an emphasis on writing skills. A Michigan Educational Assessment Program writing test has been added to the battery of MEAP tests, and writing is now an important part of the other tests. Even in mathematics, students must explain their reasoning.

I thought having students reflect on the meaning of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday and put their thoughts into essays would be a valuable exercise. The essay forms were made available through the schools, but participation was optional.

In this first year of the contest, we had no idea how many essays to expect. To our amazement and delight, 146 essays were submitted from Chelsea students in third through 12th grades. This surpassed even our wildest dreams.

Yes, I am proud. We have lived in Chelsea for one year, and it feels wonderful to be able to make a contribution in our new community. But more important, I am so proud of the students who chose to take the time to think seriously about an important subject and put their thoughts into writing.

Five winners from five age groups were selected, but all the students are winners in my book.

Susan Lentz
Chelsea

Good Samaritans deserve credit

I would like to thank the people who came to my mother's aid when she fell outside of the Secretary of State's office in Chelsea Jan. 19. It's nice to know that there are people who are willing to lend a helping hand when someone is in need.

Scott Elsele
Avoca

Iraqis vote should serve as inspiration

When I awoke Sunday morning, my first thought was of the Iraqi people and their first vote in 50 years. When I heard that approximately 8 million, or 65-70 percent, of Iraqis (the numbers

may change as the results may take up to 10 days) showed up to vote, I was stunned.

I watched as they stood in long lines out in the open knowing they could lose their lives at any moment. The terrorists had made threats of catastrophic proportions for all those who attempted to vote.

I thought about the courage that these brave people showed after all that they had been through and the message that they sent to all those who terrorized and opposed them.

Their message was that they would not be intimidated by the terrorists — this was their country and their decision, not the insurgents — to make about their future.

I thought of all the negative comments from the media, from some of our senators and from European nations that there would be a low voter turnout and that we were forcing democracy on the Iraqis who didn't want us there to begin with.

Sen. Edward Kennedy's comments two days before the election were deplorable. It seems to me that he was trying to sabotage our efforts in Iraq. His comments sent a message that we were the occupying forces and that the Iraqis didn't want our help, that they wanted us to withdraw and that our efforts in Iraq were a failure.

I thought of all the families of men and women who had lost their lives in Iraq and of our troops still in Iraq who have worked so hard training Iraqi police officers and soldiers, and how they must have felt after hearing his comments.

I never got that impression watching the Iraqis singing and dancing in the streets after voting. In fact, it seemed just the opposite — that they were grateful to our troops and to the United States for helping them achieve something that they never thought would be possible: the right to vote.

On Sunday, after hearing about the elections in Iraq, Sen. John Kerry comments were: "That wasn't the hard part. That is yet to come," and that he thought the vote wasn't totally legitimate.

But I say that was the hard part. These people risked their lives to vote and they know it's not going to be easy on the road to democracy. We have been at it for 200 years and we still don't have it right. They realize that tomorrow is another day and that the terrorist will strike again.

Here in the United States, politicians worry that if it's raining outside, voter turnout will be lower. Can you imagine how low voter turnout would be if we had the threat of death overshadowing us?

A few weeks ago, Mr. Schmidt in a letter to the editor

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OTHER VOICES

No winners in reality television shows

"American Idol" is back. Yippee.

For the next several months, millions will once again be riveted, choosing their favorites from among another pack of interchangeable, uncharismatic mediocrities vying for a chance to be the next corporate media production line puppet.

It's not surprising "Idol" is still popular, even though the show has churned out nothing but the most banal bubblegum this side of the Simpson sisters.

There are all sorts of reality shows. On some, people willingly debase themselves by reducing the concept of romantic love into a soap opera cattle call.

Others face redundant "challenges," like eating gross stuff and nor falling from great heights while whining about one another week after week.

On daytime "court" shows, suckers are paraded out with their embarrassing dilemmas, not for any real justice but so the rest of us can laugh at them and feel superior.

Meanwhile, day after day, Maury Povich grins like he's found a cure for cancer exploiting ignorant young women so it can be sorted out on air who their babies' daddies are from the half dozen or so losers they were sleeping with at the same time.

And it's all for your passive amusement, America. Back to the evening lineup, the public got a little bored with the pursuit of true love, so areas of human dignity had to be developed into entertainment.

Women offer up their families for the nation to giggle at while they put up with a stranger coming into their households.

Morbidly-obese people

shake their blubber for us in a dieting contest, homely people allow themselves to be mutilated beyond recognition for a "beauty" contest.

"American Idol" embodies what reality TV is all about.

The name says it all. Regardless of what the supposed prize is on any of these shows, the real carrot is the chance to be on television.

Fame for fame's sake. Do nothing, accomplish nothing



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of any relevance. With these shows, you can become famous in the pursuit of fame.

And why is that such a coveted thing? Because like anything else of value, action is rare. For most people in this country, life is vicarious, something that is watched. Anyone who even tries to attain a dream is ahead of the pack.

Last year, the "American

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STREET TALK

By Rita Fischer

What do you think of more money being spent on the war in Iraq?



"I think that we should not spend any more. It's wasting a lot of money. Why spend more?"
Lauren Wilson
Dexter Township



"I don't think anymore money should be spent. If more troops are sent over he (the president) should go with them to see what is really going on."
Megan Smith
Dexter Township



"I personally believe that human life is non-tax deductible. It's irresponsible and disrespectful for someone to not clean up the mess that was made. It's common respect and rules of engagement to pay for what was broken."
Trand Seymour
Chelsea



"I feel that it is a good idea to spend more. We need to finish what we started."
Josh Glaspie
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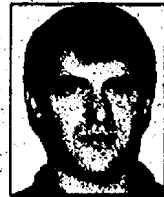
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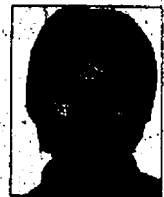
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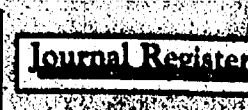
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OTHER VOICES

Michigan Senate race should prove interesting

A funny thing happened on the way to writing a column about the possibility of the Oakland County sheriff running for the U.S. Senate. It turns out another Republican from the same county is interested in the same job.

Sheriff Mike Bouchard, meet Oakland County prosecutor David Gorcyca.

Gorcyca? Gorcyca! Isn't that the guy who sent Jack Kevorkian (a.k.a. Dr. Death) to the slammer? And isn't he the guy who is prosecuting all those nasty basketball players and fans who battled during a Pistons game last November?

One and the same. In fact all that publicity is one of the reasons the apparent incoming state GOP chairman was in Gorcyca's office recently urging him to run.

"You'd be an attractive candidate," Saul Anuzis suggested.

Up until that very moment, the prosecutor had never considered a bid for U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow's job.

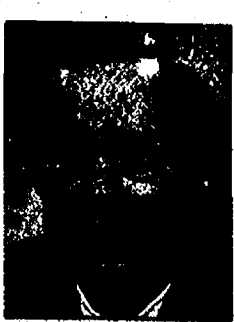
But Gorcyca is thinking about it now and even made an unscheduled foray to the Bush inauguration to work the Michigan GOP delegation, where he rubbed elbows with Bouchard, who was doing the same thing.

Republicans who can't seem to scrounge up anybody to take on you-know-who for governor, appear to be flush with would-be Stabenow challengers.

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land was pressing the flesh in D.C.

Oakland County minister Keith Butler has his eye on the Senate.

So does former Congressman Nick Smith. Plus a relatively unknown Detroit busi-



TIM SKUBICK

nessman, Peter Cummings, has floated his name around, too.

But it's the prospect of Bouchard and Gorcyca getting in the ring together that has raised grave concerns within the GOP. In fact, that cheering you hear off in the distance is from the Stabenow camp.

If both gentlemen run for the nomination, it would force them to spend oodles of money to win — money that could have been used against Stabenow in the general election.

And even though these two gentlemen are friends, in the heat of a primary, all sorts of nasty things are uttered as they paw and scratch for every vote.

For example, either man could accuse the other of wasting tax dollars on this project or that.

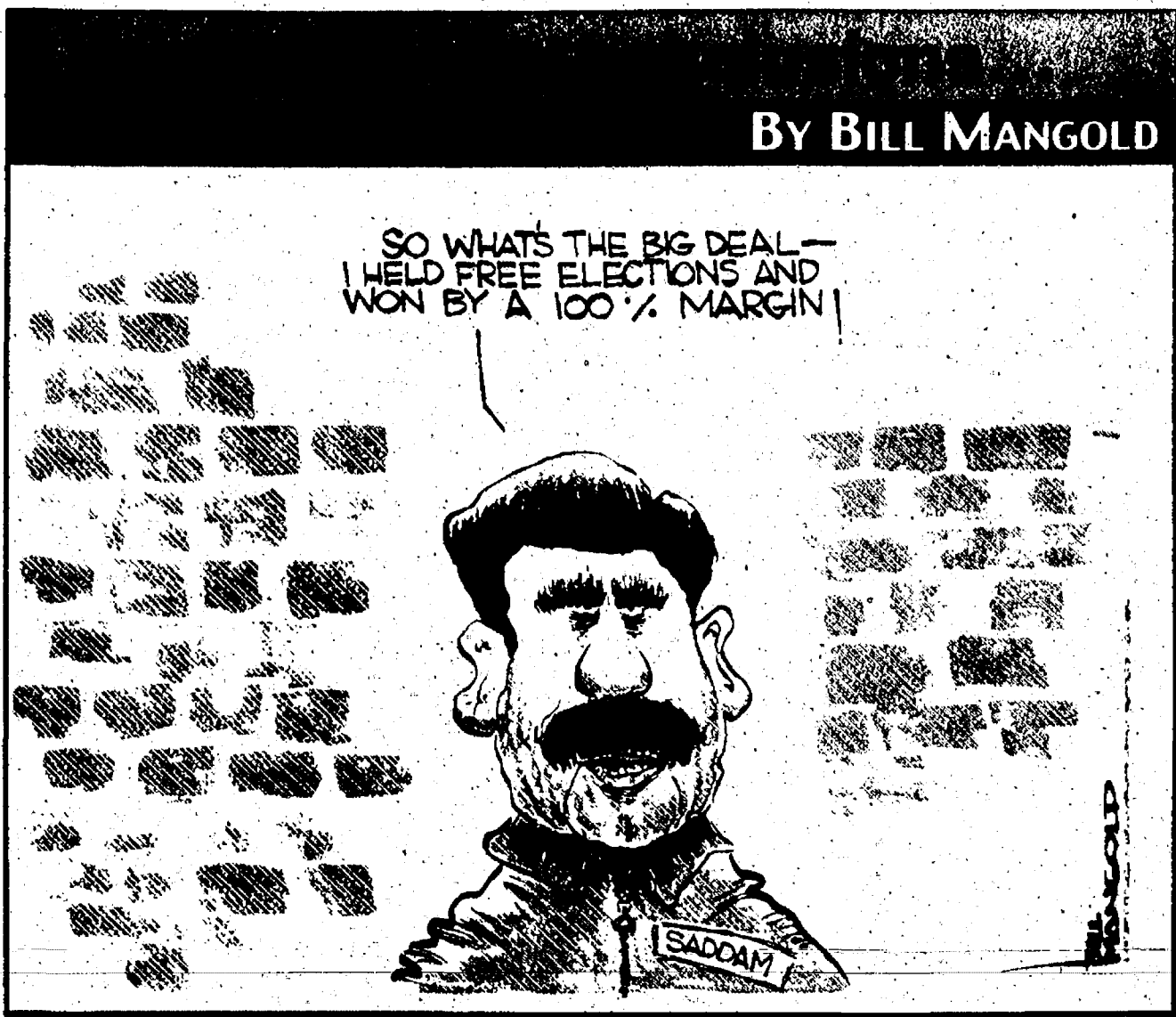
When the race is over, Stabenow will exploit those comments by saying, "Why vote for so and so when a member of his own party says he wasted your tax dollars?"

Anuzis predicts the head to head will never happen. But in 1986 it did.

Two Democrats who were friends fought for the U.S. Senate nomination, but when Detroit Mayor Jerome Cavanaugh was done with the eventual winner, G. Mennen "Soapy" Williams, the former governor was so tattered and torn he was cannon fodder for Republican Bob Griffin, who trounced "Soapy" by almost 300,000 votes.

Democrats are praying for a Bouchard vs. Gorcyca primary. It's a repeat of history just waiting to happen.

Tim Skubick is a veteran observer of Lansing politics and the host of public TV's Off the Record. He also does regular commentary for WWJ Radio-950.



BY BILL MANGOLD

LETTERS

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tor, asked those of us who voted for President Bush to ask ourselves if we were fooled into voting for him. After listening to Kerry's remarks on the Iraqi election, I know I voted for the right man for president, a man who is optimistic about our future, not a pessimist such as Kerry.

Before the election, Mr. Schmidt suggested that those of us who were going to vote for George Bush should stay home and have a quiet dinner. As I said before, voting is a privilege. Look what the Iraqis risked just for that privilege. Maybe Mr. Schmidt should ask himself if he was the one that was fooled.

Maria Vaughan
Dexter Township

Secretary of state has done great harm to us
Recently it was announced

that Michigan had, for the past few years, supported a loophole that allowed illegal immigrants to walk into Secretary of State offices and pick up a Michigan driver's license.

Saying "loophole" gives us the idea that the situation happened by accident. It's more like a hole that was drilled into our state operations by Secretary of State Candice Miller. As a result of this horrible fact coming to light, she has decided to not run for Senate. Her bragging has evaporated before the cold wind of apparent treason and that she helped a large number of illegal aliens.

Miller sits in Congress now admonished for her ethical behavior with Tom DeLay — her partner from Texas.

Her actions have allowed tens of thousands of illegal immigrants to get jobs as truck drivers and on rail-

roads such as the Southern Pacific.

That railroad regularly advertises jobs in Asian and Latin newspapers. Critical well-paying jobs in our economy's infrastructure are regularly given to men and women whose loyalty may be questionable to say the least.

Southern Pacific, which deals with heavy traffic from communist China through Los Angeles ports, currently leans heavily toward hiring Asians that may be immigrants from that same repressive country.

Right now, they are not able to ship normally because of traffic delays, track damage and other problems. Meanwhile, Burlington Northern, with tracks right next to them, is not having any problems.

Miller has done great harm to our state and our nation.

Alfred Brock
Canton

REALITY

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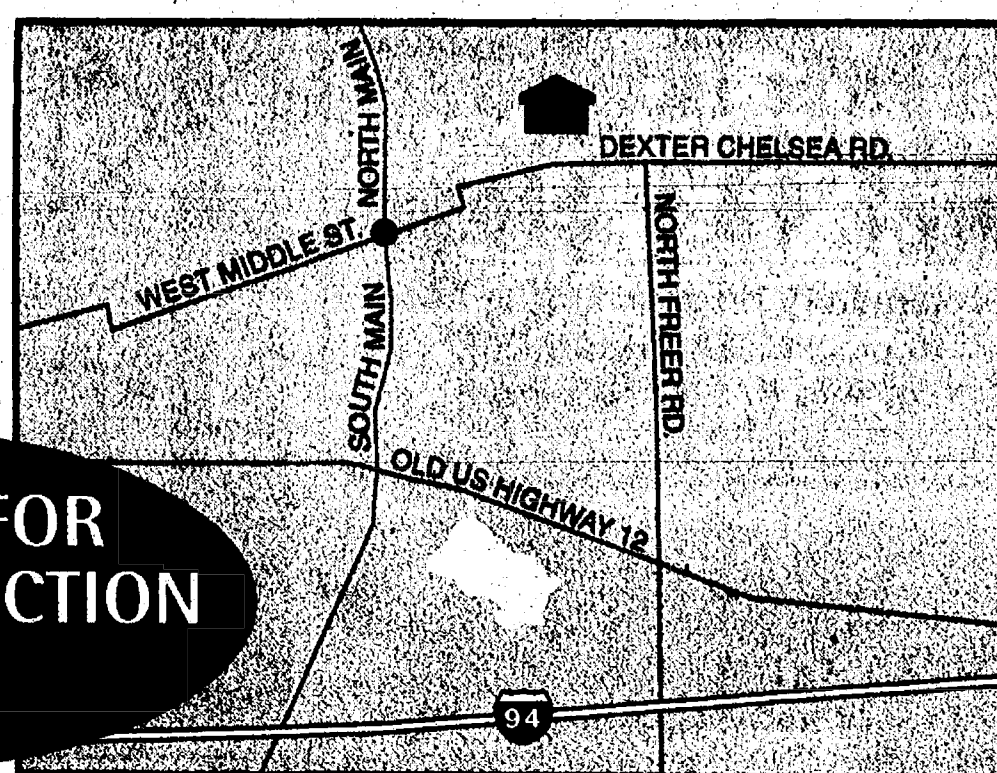
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An award preference will be given to organizations with previous experience conducting low-income energy efficiency programs that have an existing administrative structure to handle additional distribution activities.

Organizations capable of offering services statewide also are preferred, but it is not required.

For more information, visit the commission's Web site at www.michigan.gov.

Mailed information can be requested by faxing Cheryl Rojas at 1-517-373-3113.

The application deadline is 5 p.m. tomorrow.

As the state Legislature gets back into the swing of things, local lawmakers are focusing on a variety of matters.

Sen. Raymond Basham, D-Taylor, is setting his sights on the success of a bill to increase penalties for selling tobacco products to minors.

The current fine is \$50 for each violation. Basham's legislation would increase the fine to \$100 for a first offense, \$250 for a second offense within a year and \$500 for each subsequent offense within a calendar year.

"Each year the tobacco companies convince more children to become smokers," Basham said in a press release.



JENNIFER MITCHELL

"If we are going to protect the health of our children, it's time we get serious about discouraging retailers from selling them tobacco in the first place."

Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, chairman of the Senate Technology and Energy Committee, is discussing cell phone concerns with committee members.

Batteries that fail to recharge and must be replaced before the end of the contract and ones that become corrupted and explode, endangering users, are among the issues of concern.

In the House of Representatives, legislators expect to receive committee assignments tomorrow.

State Reps. Barbara Farrah, D-Southgate, and Hoon-Yung Hopgood, D-Taylor, anticipate dealing with another deficit in the 2005-06 budget year.

Hopgood said that officials at a Jan. 13 revenue-estimating conference predicted a \$737 million hole in the general fund.

He said that was compounded by a \$406 million current deficit.

However, he said officials also expect job growth in the coming year, as well as specific growth in the automotive sector.

Farrah said she plans to address the creation of better-paying jobs while continuing the fight against outsourcing.

She also wants to lower the cost of health care and prescription drugs, protect the Great Lakes and strengthen public education.

Both Farrah and Hopgood said they look forward to facing the challenges the state will likely encounter this year.

Jennifer Mitchell is a reporter for Heritage Newspapers. She can be reached at jmitchell@heritage.com.



Lots of Spirit

Megan Carpenter (front, left) of Stockbridge, Sarah Breuninger and Ethan Breuninger of Dexter, and Megan Bauer of Saline joined Garrett Fischer (back, left) of Dexter, Courtney Cook of Dexter, Alyssa Rodgers of Chelsea, Jenna Bumstead of Chelsea and Grace Benton of Chelsea in winning the Club Spirit award from Washtenaw County 4-H.

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Petitions due for election

School board candidates in Chelsea and Dexter have until 4 p.m. Tuesday to file for a seat on the board. This year's election will be held May 3.

Candidates must file non-partisan nominating petitions and an affidavit of identity.

Signature requirements may be obtained through the Washtenaw County

Clerk's Office. A \$100 nonrefundable fee may be filed by the candidate in lieu of a petition.

Candidates who wish to withdraw from the election must submit a written notice to the County Clerk's Office by 4 p.m. Feb. 11.

Affidavit-of-identity forms and nominating or qualifying petitions may be obtained from the county

clerk, or from the Department of State Bureau of Elections. Candidates who fail to comply with filing requirements are ineligible to appear on the ballot.

For more information regarding filing requirements and up-to-date listings of candidates, go to the Web site www.ewashtenaw.org or call 222-8730.

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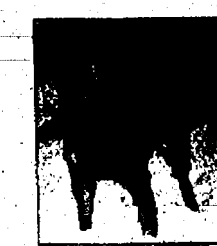
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STATE

New rules could drive up home prices

Higher prices could be offset by energy savings in new homes

By Chad Livengood
Special Writer

The Michigan Association of Home Builders is claiming a new state energy code for new and remodeled homes will cost customers more than it will save.

Starting Feb. 28, new and remodeled homes will have to comply with stricter energy efficient standards set by the state's Bureau of Construction Codes and Fire Safety.

Some builders say the new rules could raise the cost of new homes by \$4,000 to \$6,000, said Lee Schwartz, assistant vice president for policy and legislation for the Michigan Association of Home Builders.

"We've had other builders call and say it could cost even more than \$4,000 to \$6,000," Schwartz said. "This is a terrible blow to Michigan consumers who aren't being able to make their own choice."

The Michigan Association of Home Builders plans to sue or request a court-ordered injunction against Gov. Jennifer Granholm's administration, Schwartz said.

The trade group's biggest concern is a new law requiring increased insulation, including a requirement to insulate basement walls.

Thicker insulation bats will require builders to use 2-by-6 planks for outside walls, rather than the traditional 2-by-4, said Jeff Fisher, public affairs director for Home Builders Association of Washtenaw County.

"We just want reasonable energy codes that are not going to drive the cost of a house to the point that people can't afford it anymore," Fisher said.

But state officials contend there are ways of avoiding changing the traditional design of a house or addition, said Tom Martin, director of policy and legislative affairs for the Department of Labor and Growth.

For example, Martin said, the increased cost in additional wood and insulation can be countered by installing an energy-efficient furnace.

"There are other less expensive ways to comply then building with a 2-by-6," Martin

said. "The trade-off method will be used in many instances."

The revised Michigan Uniform Energy Code adopts Chapter 11 of the International Residential Code — a standard that is consistent with the Federal Energy Policy Act and represents the current trends in national standards for new residential building construction.

Not every builder says they will be financially harmed by the new rules, Martin said.

Pulte Homes, the developers of Heritage Pointe on Dexter-Chelsea Road in Chelsea, prepared for the rule changes and doesn't expect an increase in cost, said Jim Bagley, the company's president.

"If it benefits the environment and it benefits the customer, we're all for it," Bagley said.

Pulte Homes, one of southeast Michigan's leading homebuilders, began building its homes in compliance with the standard more than a year ago, he said.

"We engineered our homes to reduce the number of heat runs up the outside walls of the home," Bagley said.

Citing rising energy costs, state officials estimate homeowners will recoup any additional cost within seven years.

Martin downplayed the construction trade group estimates of catastrophic housing cost increases. State officials do not have exact figures on the estimated cost increase.

"Is it going to cost more? Sure, it's going to cost more," Martin said. "I don't think you would have to build with 2-by-6 to comply, but of course you could."

Fisher said the Home Builders Association of Washtenaw County has been urging local builders to get building permits for all future projects.

If builders purchase permits for new construction before Feb. 28, they won't have to comply with the new rules.

Schwartz said remodeled homes would have to comply. Window manufacturers are also complaining about the new rules, he added.

"The problem is the people who worship at the altar of energy efficiency believe it's energy efficiency before anything else," Schwartz said.

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Pulte Homes

COUNTY Applications sought for Ann Arbor greenbelt program

The city of Ann Arbor has begun accepting applications for the first round of real property and property rights acquisitions under its greenbelt program. Applications will be accepted through Feb. 18.

"We are excited to begin this first round of the greenbelt acquisition process," Michael Garfield, chairman of the Greenbelt Advisory Council, said in a press release. "We look forward to using this program to conserve those properties outside of the city limits that help make Ann Arbor such a desirable place to live."

The greenbelt program seeks to acquire property outright or through the purchase of development rights on the land.

"This was an important step in the process and it is great to see the greenbelt commission is right on schedule," Ann Arbor Mayor John Hieftje said in the release.

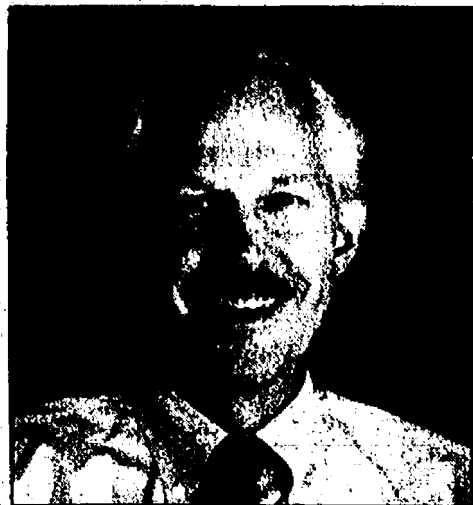
The Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program was established by voters in November 2003 to provide funding to preserve and protect open space, natural habitats and the city's source waters inside and outside the city limits.

Voters authorized a half-mill tax for 30 years that will provide funds for parkland acquisition within the city of Ann Arbor, and for the preservation and protection of parkland, open space and agricultural land, natural habitats and city source waters outside the city in the designated greenbelt district.

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The "stunningly beautiful" Montreal Film Festival Best picture winner and Oscar nominee about a blind Iranian boy who has to deal with not only with his disability, but a widowed father who is ashamed of his son. Middle Eastern food will also be served at the event. A short discussion will follow.

True Algerian Stories from the Great-Great Granddaughter of the Emir
Thu., Feb. 10 @ 7 pm
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 adults & teens ages 14 & up.

America & the Middle East
Wed., Feb. 16 @ 7 pm
Join National Endowment for the Humanities scholar Stephen Boyce for a presentation & dialogue on the politics/culture of the region.

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

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

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

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

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

meet Author

Naomi Shihab Nye

"Arab American writer Naomi Shihab Nye sows the seeds of peace."

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

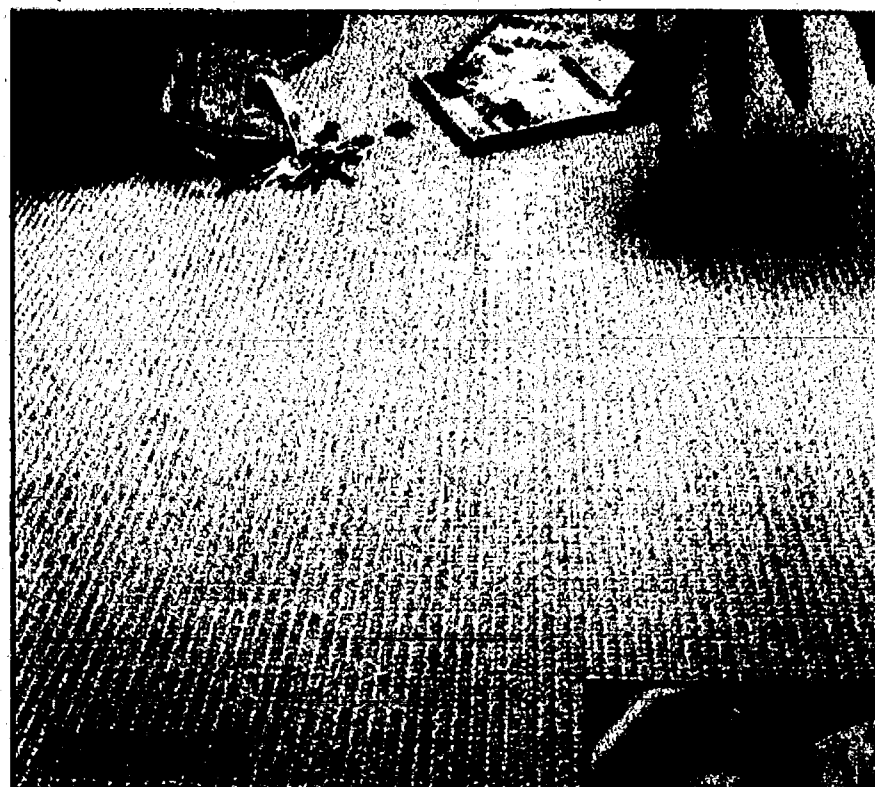
A Q&A and book signing will follow. Held at the WSEC auditorium, 500 Washington St. Call 734.475.8732 for more information.

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

Presented by Chelsea District Library & One World One Family, with support from Chelsea School District, Chelsea Print & Graphics, Chelsea Standard, Cranesbill Books, Chelsea Community Hospital Health & Wellness Center, Serendipity Paperback Books, Chelsea House Victorian Inn, and the Michigan Humanities Council/NEH.

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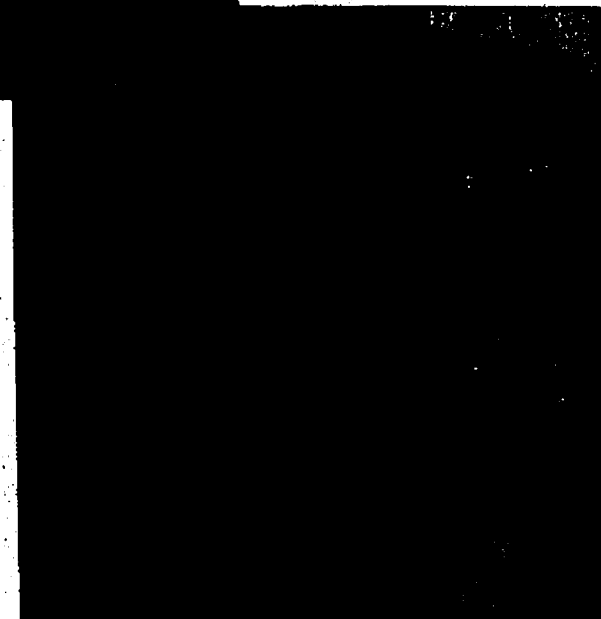
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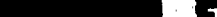
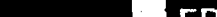




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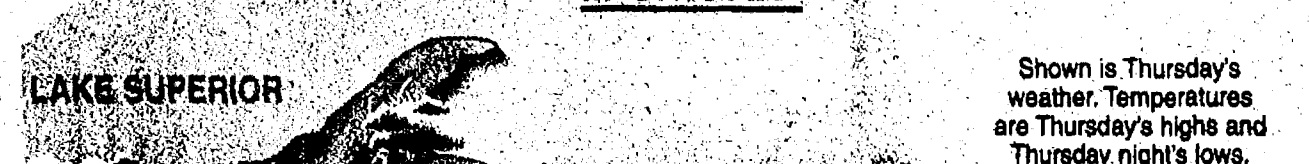
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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

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THURSDAY	THU. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HIGH: 36°-40° Times of sunshine and clouds.	LOW: 20°-24° Partly cloudy.	HIGH: 38°-42° Partly sunny.	HIGH: 38°-42° Sunshine mixing with clouds.	HIGH: 40°-44° Rain possible.	HIGH: 36°-40° Mostly cloudy with flurries.
					
LOW: 22°-26°	LOW: 22°-26°	LOW: 26°-32°	LOW: 26°-30°	LOW: 22°-26°	LOW: 22°-26°

MICHIGAN



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

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Statistics for the week ending Jan. 31

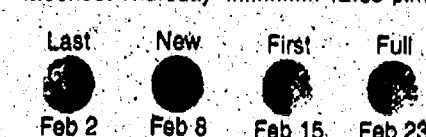
Temperatures:	
High for the week	36°
Low for the week	-13°
Normal high	30°
Normal low	16°
Average temperature	17.0°
Normal average temperature	23.3°

Precipitation:

Total for the week	Trace
Total for the month	2.75%
Total for the year	2.75%
Normal for the month	2.24%
% of normal this month	123%
% of normal this year	123%

SUN AND MOON

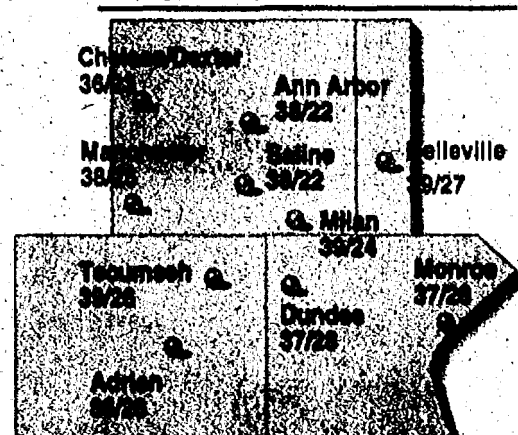
Sunrise Thursday	7:48 a.m.
Sunset Thu. night	5:52 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday	2:46 a.m.
Moonset Thursday	12:05 p.m.



NATIONAL CITIES

	Thur.	Fri.		Thur.	Fri.		Thur.	Fri.		Thur.	Fri.		Thur.	Fri.		Thur.	Fri.
City	H/L/W	H/L/W	City	H/L/W	H/L/W	City	H/L/W	H/L/W	City	H/L/W	H/L/W	City	H/L/W	H/L/W	City	H/L/W	H/L/W
Allentown	41/27/c	41/30/po	Buffalo	37/28/po	38/27/c	Denver	53/29/a	60/28/s	Knoxville	46/30/an	51/38/po	Norfolk	48/33/h	48/38/a	Sacramento	51/41/po	52/41/po
Albany	34/20/po	39/22/c	Burlington, IA	44/33/po	53/33/s	Des Moines	50/32/po	53/32/po	Las Vegas	64/42/s	64/42/s	Oklahoma City	56/32/s	56/35/s	St. Louis	51/34/po	54/37/s
Alexandria	47/28/s	53/28/s	Burlington, VT	34/30/po	34/17/c	Dukot	39/14/po	27/14/a	Lansing, KY	40/30/an	47/38/po	Omaha	62/51/po	64/50/po	Salt Lake City	44/28/s	50/28/s
Anchorage	12/1/po	15/1/po	Casper	60/31/s	52/28/s	El Paso	46/28/po	52/30/s	Lincoln	55/30/po	55/30/po	Orlando	68/45/t	62/47/po	San Antonio	56/36/po	60/42/s
Atlanta	42/37/r	55/40/po	Cedar Rapids	41/31/po	49/30/c	Fairbanks	71/27/s	-6/23/s	Little Rock	50/30/po	61/38/s	Palm Springs	74/45/s	74/45/s	San Diego	71/48/s	70/48/s
Atlantic City	40/24/po	41/27/sn	Charleston, SC	47/38/r	51/40/r	Fargo	40/11/po	25/-3/c	Los Angeles	78/59/s	76/50/s	Peoria	42/32/po	48/34/po	San Francisco	60/47/s	60/47/s
Austin	58/54/s	64/40/s	Charlotte, WV	44/28/t	48/31/po	Flagstaff	42/18/s	44/19/s	Louisville	40/34/an	50/36/po	Philadelphia	42/28/po	42/28/po	Seattle	48/22/s	52/23/s
Baltimore	42/28/c	44/30/sn	Charlotte	39/30/sn	46/34/po	Fort Wayne	38/26/po	42/28/po	Madison	41/28/po	44/28/po	Phoenix	68/47/s	70/47/s	St. Paul	52/40/r	54/40/r
Baton Rouge	58/38/po	64/41/s	Cheyenne	50/28/s	58/28/s	Gary	40/30/po	46/33/po	Mamphus	48/36/po	58/42/s	Pittsburgh	38/28/s	46/30/c	South Bend	38/28/po	48/38/po
Billings	60/32/po	40/17/c	Chicago	44/28/po	44/28/po	Green Bay	38/24/po	37/18/po	Miami	78/55/t	71/55/sh	Portland, ME	39/22/sn	36/22/sn	Springfield, IL	44/34/po	51/34/po
Birmingham	50/33/r	53/40/po	Cincinnati	40/32/sn	42/53/po	Helena	54/27/po	39/21/sn	Minneapolis	40/28/po	43/29/po	Portland, OR	64/36/po	63/36/po	Tampa	66/52/s	64/47/po
Bismarck	50/20/po	30/0/c	Cleveland	38/29/c	40/29/po	Honolulu	79/63/po	78/63/po	Missoula	40/28/po	38/18/s	Providence	36/25/sn	39/27/en	Toledo	39/27/po	43/28/po
Bloomington	40/30/po	47/31/po	Columbia, MO	46/34/po	54/38/po	Houston	58/39/po	65/45/s	Mobile	66/38/h	62/40/po	Raleigh	63/31/an	49/28/po	Topeka	52/31/po	58/31/s
Boise	45/30/c	46/30/po	Columbus, OH	40/26/c	42/28/po	Indianapolis	40/31/po	48/35/po	Nashville	44/34/r	56/38/po	Rapid City	65/28/po	44/17/po	Tucson	64/40/s	68/42/s
Brownsville	58/28/sn	68/28/sn	Dallas	52/38/s	62/42/s	Juniata	23/14/po	24/16/s	New Orleans	58/43/c	62/44/s	Reno	45/22/po	46/25/po	Washington, DC	44/30/s	48/30/s
Brownsville	58/44/po	68/25/s	Davenport	40/31/po	43/30/c	Kansas City	53/36/po	58/38/po	New York	58/30/c	38/32/sn	Richmond	45/27/r	44/33/po	Wichita	53/39/s	58/39/s

LOCAL WEATHER



MICHIGAN CITIES

	Thur.	Fri.
City	H/L/O/W	H/L/O/W
Ann Arbor	39/22/p	40/24/p
Battle Creek	37/27/p	42/28/p
Bay City	39/27/p	39/25/p
Coldwater	38/30/p	43/29/p
Dearborn	39/28/p	42/29/p
Detroit	40/28/p	40/28/p
Grand Rapids	37/28/p	40/28/p
Holland	39/29/p	41/30/p
Jackson	38/22/p	40/24/p
Kalamazoo	38/28/p	42/27/p
Lansing	39/28/p	42/26/p
Livonia	39/26/p	40/28/p
Midland	38/26/p	40/28/p
Monroe	37/28/p	43/27/p
Muskegon	38/30/p	40/29/p
Pontiac	37/28/p	41/28/p
Port Huron	38/28/p	43/25/p
Saginaw	39/27/p	39/25/p
Sault Ste. Marie	38/22/p	40/24/p
Sturgis	37/24/p	31/17/p
Toronto	39/28/p	42/29/p
Warren	39/28/p	39/28/p
Windsor	41/30/p	39/23/p
Worcester	40/29/p	43/30/p

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

TRAVEL

Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
High pressure will bring dry weather to the region Thursday with 4-6 hours of sunshine. Winds will be southwest at 10-20 mph.

REAL FEEL TEMP®

The patented RealFeel Temperature is AccuWeather's exclusive index of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine, precipitation and elevation on the human body. Shown is the highest realfeel temperature for each day.

Highest Thursday	36
Highest Friday	40
Highest Saturday	50
Highest Sunday	40

SOLUNAR TABLE

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

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thu: 6:23 a.m.	12:11 a.m.	6:58 a.m.	12:30 p.m.
Fri: 7:19 a.m.	1:02 a.m.	7:46 p.m.	1:33 a.m.
Sat: 8:14 a.m.	1:58 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	2:30 a.m.
Sun: 9:13 a.m.	2:55 a.m.	9:46 p.m.	3:29 a.m.

UV INDEX

Highest Thursday **2** **11**
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

	Thur.	Fri.		Thur.	Fri.
City	HI/La/W	HI/La/W	City	HI/La/W	HI/La/W
Acapulco	58/70/p	57/71/p	Kiev	27/18/a	20/19/a
Algiers	52/33/c	52/34/p	Lima	83/68/c	81/66/c
Amsterdam	46/36/p	46/36/p	Lisbon	57/43/a	53/41/a
Athens	41/30/c	48/30/p	London	48/45/c	46/45/p
Auckland	75/60/a	74/62/t	Madrid	49/31/p	46/33/p
Bangkok	93/76/p	93/78/a	Manila	86/70/p	86/72/p
Barbados	55/66/p	57/71/a	Mexico City	63/56/a	61/59/t
Beijing	27/14/sf	32/12/s	Montreal	31/19/p	32/13/c
Beirut	61/49/t	57/47/t	Moscow	15/7/a	14/5/a
Belgrade	29/17/c	30/23/p	Nairobi	85/57/s	86/58/s
Berlin	38/31/a	44/34/p	New Delhi	71/56/p	73/59/p
Bogota	70/50/r	69/52/t	Panama	89/73/s	86/73/s
Buenos Aires	84/55/s	87/63/s	Paris	49/34/p	42/36/p
Cairo	65/41/a	60/38/p	Rio de Janeiro	80/66/t	74/62/t
Calgary	57/41/p	58/22/p	Rome	61/56/p	52/57/t
Cape Town	76/55/p	78/59/p	San Juan	80/68/s	85/70/p
Copenhagen	41/33/c	45/28/t	Santiago	62/56/p	57/58/s
Dublin	45/31/p	47/42/t	Seoul	27/19/s	30/18/t
Durban	71/25/p	67/31/p	Singapore	67/58/s	66/58/s
Geneva	37/28/c	40/33/p	Stockholm	32/28/s	37/28/s
Hong Kong	66/35/p	72/66/s	Sydney	71/58/s	71/58/s
Istanbul	48/33/r	57/25/a	Tehran	42/28/p	47/32/t
Jakarta	56/74/a	56/74/a	Tokyo	48/33/s	47/32/s
Jerusalem	57/46/s	47/32/r	Vancouver	61/40/r	45/35/r
Johannesburg	55/67/t	50/65/p	Vienna	54/23/c	44/21/p
Karachi	75/50/s	77/51/a	Warsaw	29/21/c	34/25/s

COMMUNITY

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*"The more I researched his life, the more
I felt redeemed by the example
he set for the world."*

A Story to Share

*Local resident will
present stories about
illustrious ancestor*

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Abd El-Kader was a descendant of the prophet Mohammed, a poet-warrior who fought to save his Algerian homeland from the French — and the great-great-grandfather of Chelsea resident Badria Jazairi.

Jazairi, an award-winning storyteller, will share stories about her ancestor 7 p.m. Feb. 10 at the Chelsea District Library. The program, hosted by the library and One World One Family, is recommended for ages 14 and older.

The event is part of the Chelsea Reads Together community read, with this year's Middle Eastern theme and selection of three books, "The Kite Runner," "Persepolis," and "Habibi."

The Chelsea Reads Together program also includes book discussions — getting under way Feb. 17 and running through March 9 — and movies every Friday night.

Jazairi — her first name means "full moon," her last name, "Algerian" — was born in Houston, but her two older sisters were born in Beirut, Lebanon, where their parents met at the American University of Beirut.

The three girls say in Texas they encountered a great deal of racism, which continued when the family relocated to a suburb of Manhattan when Jazairi was 7 years old.

"Our father tried very hard to adjust to American life and made every effort to raise us as American girls. He would always tell us that the United States was the greatest country in the world, so there wasn't any Arabic or Islamic teaching in our household," Jazairi said. "In a way, we felt neither truly American nor that we were very Arab, either."

The girls did know one thing — that they were the great-great-granddaughters of Abd El-Kader, the emir of Algeria, a direct descendant of Mohammed. The emir fought against the French when they invaded and occupied his homeland in 1830.

"We thought this was something we could be proud of, but after 9/11, that really changed for us," Jazairi said. "After all, the monsters responsible for the abomination of 9/11 were invoking Mohammed's name — our ancestor."

"Not only that, but 130 years after Abd El-Kader was captured and imprisoned by the French, his memory inspired Algerian Arabs to renew their

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Chelsea resident Badria Jazairi, an award-winning storyteller, will share stories about her ancestor 7 p.m. Feb. 10 at the Chelsea District Library. The program, hosted by the library and One World One Family, is recommended for ages 14 and older.

Zenz turns hobby into career Bus mechanic known as 'Energizer Bunny'

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Like many young boys growing up in the Chelsea area 30-plus years ago, Jim Zenz loved to tinker with machines and explored his interests under the hoods of farm tractors and anything else he could get his hands on at his family's farm.

That passion has since carried into his life today as he marks his seven-year anniversary as a mechanic for Chelsea School District's transportation department.

Zenz continues to work on his family's farm in Grass Lake, juggling both jobs. Before becoming a mechanic, he worked for 11 years at Chelsea Milling Co. as a mixer. A desire to spend more time with his family led him to his post with the school district.

Zenz is a family man at heart. He and his wife, Cathy, met in high school. Cathy works in Grass Lake as the deputy clerk for Grass Lake Township.

"She grew up with farming and I am blessed with her," Zenz said. "We work well together as a team."

They have two children, Jake and Megan, who attend Grass Lake schools. The family attends church at St. John's United Church of Christ.

Zenz starts his workdays 5:45 a.m. at the bus garage, farms during the growing season and is also the assistant fire chief for the Grass Lake Fire Department, working up to 30 hours a week with runs and training.

"I love my jobs," he said. "They are never the same."

His priority in Chelsea is to keep the school buses running so that they are safe.

"I enjoy working with the drivers," he said. "It makes my job easier. They are good with what they find wrong, so that we can get the buses fixed. If it were not for them and the other mechanic, things would not run as smoothly. It's a joint effort."

"We all work together to help each other out. Most of what we do is hands-on learning," he said. "I have done enough of it, working on tractors all of my life and trucks at Chelsea Milling, that I know how to fix them."

The bus inspection process through the Michigan State Police is the toughest to learn, he said. To keep the students and bus drivers safe, one has to be as thorough as the state police inspector.

"All the brakes need to be in good working shape, no exhaust leaks, lights have to be working, suspension in excellent shape, and keeping them from rusting out on the dirt roads," he said.

"We have good inspections because we have good drivers."

The biggest problem he has found, though, has been fighting formation of rust under the bus carriages.

"You fight the rust and keep working at it, and keep them clean and sometimes do body work," he said.

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Jim Zenz is a seven-year veteran of the Chelsea School District's transportation department. He also continues to work on his family's farm in Grass Lake, juggling both jobs but making sure to spend time with his family.

Photo by
Rita Fischer



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Saturday, Feb. 5

Dwight Carroll will perform 1970s and '80s acoustic folk and country from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Pierce's Pastries Plus, 103 W. Middle St., in Chelsea, as part of the Morning Mochas and Melodies program.

The Chelsea District Library will host the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum Family Science Workshops 3 p.m. at the library, 500 Washington St. The program is free and registration is required by calling 475-8732.

Sunday, Feb. 6

"A Winter Wetland Walk-Hike to the West Fen" will begin 2 p.m. at Park Lyndon North, located off North Territorial Road in Lyndon Township. Call 971-6337, ext. 318, for more information, or e-mail stonerl@ewashtenaw.org.

Tuesday, Feb. 8

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Chelsea Community Hospital, Woodland Room, Classroom B, 775 S. Main St. Walk-ins are welcome.

School board candidates must file by 4 p.m. for local and intermediate school board elections.

Schrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner will be held 5:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 20500 Old US-12, in Chelsea. Donations only. For more information, call 475-9823.

Wednesday, Feb. 9

The Chelsea District Library will host Wild Swan Theatre's "Tales of Tricks and Trouble" 7 p.m. at the library, 500 Washington St. The program is free and no registration is required. For more information, call 475-8732.

Thursday, Feb. 10

"Excel Basics" will be held on Thursday evenings through February from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Space is limited and advance registration is required. To register or for more information, call 475-8732.

"True Algerian Stories from the Great Granddaughter of the Emir" will be held 7 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Storyteller Badria Jazairi will tell stories of her ancestor. The event is free and recommended for adults and teens ages 14 and older. For more information, call 475-8732.

Thursday, Feb. 10 through

Sunday, Feb. 13

Young People's Theater will perform "The Sound of Music" 8 p.m. Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. Tickets are \$7 for students and

seniors, and \$10 adults. Call 971-7207 for ticket information.

Saturday, Feb. 12

Chelsea High School's Company C will join a showcase of guest choirs from around the state in performing 7 p.m. at the Chelsea High School Auditorium, 740 Freer Road. Tickets are \$8 at Chelsea Pharmacy or at the door. For more information, call Linda Meloche at 475-4524.

CHELSEA

MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday

Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets from 2 to 3:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W. Middle St. Call 1-800-337-3827.

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 9:30 to 11 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at Cleary's Pub, 113 S. Main St. Call 996-9467.

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 475-6128.

Chelsea Senior Nutrition Lunch Program has moved to the cafeteria at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 East Washington St. Lunch is open to the public noon Monday through Friday. To reserve a spot, call 475-9242 at least one day in advance.

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 8:45 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 Nutrition Program meets noon every Tuesday for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. Call 475-7439.

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

Wednesday

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

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

DEXTER

Friday, Feb. 4 and

Saturday, Feb. 5

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

Saturday, Feb. 5

"Lost Giants of the Ice Age" special hands-on family science workshop will be held 10:30 a.m. at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. The workshop is limited to children ages 6 and older who are accompanied by an adult. To register, call 426-4477.

Sunday, Feb. 6

"Chilling at the Mills" a variety of fun-filled winter activities, including cross-country skiing, snow shoeing, and dog sledding, will be offered from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North

Territorial Road, in Dexter Township. The cost is \$2 per person. To register, call 426-8211.

Dexter Area Historical Society annual meeting and election of officers will take place 2 p.m. at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St. Refreshments will be served. Open to the public.

Tuesday, Feb. 8

A parent meeting will be held for current eighth-graders and parents 7 p.m. at Dexter High School's Center for Performing Arts, 2200 N. Parker Road. Students will start scheduling for the 2005-06 school year. Call 424-4240, ext. 7002.

DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS

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

Dexter American Legion meets 8 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the American Legion Post, 8225 Dexter-Chelsea Road.

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 Peace Lutheran Church, 8260 Jackson Road. Corner of Parker and Jackson Roads.

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

Dexter Lions Club meets 6:45 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays at DAPCO Industries, 2500 Bishop Circle East, in Dexter. Call 426-8549.

Girlfriends Inc. is for women of

all ages. The group meets 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth 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.

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

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

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

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

Tuesday

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

Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month at Lighthouse Café, 8124 Main St.

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

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

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

Wednesday

Friends of Dexter District Library meets 12:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. Call 426-4477.

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Erskine, Willey exchange wedding vows in Chelsea

Sarah Erskine of Chelsea, daughter of Ronald and Deborah Erskine of Chelsea, and Steven Willey of St. Clair Shores, son of Sharon and William Hassig of St. Clair Shores, and Lawrence Paquette of New Haven, were married June 26.

The couple had an outdoor ceremony in Chelsea. The Rev. Thomas Barbret officiated.

The matron of honor was Deborah Erskine of Chelsea. The bridesmaids were Becky Erskine, sister of bride, of Ann Arbor; Gretchen VerPlank, sister of bride, of Grand Rapids; and Megan Erskine, sister of bride, of Chelsea.

Madison Gollehur of Warren, goddaughter of the groom, was the flower girl. Hunter Gollehur was the junior usher.

Patrick Gollehur of Warren, a friend, was the best man. The ushers were Scott Nehra of St. Clair Shores, Matt Caswell of New Haven, John VerPlank and Jon Weinberg.

A reception was held in Chelsea. The couple honeymooned in Oscoda. They reside in St. Clair Shores.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Chelsea High School. She is employed at St. Clair Specialty Physician.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Lakeshore High in St. Clair Shores. He is an engineer for DaimlerChrysler AG.



Borden, Stouffer to marry

Laura Borden of South Lyon, daughter of Kathy and Michael Borden of Chelsea, and Brian Stouffer of Ann Arbor, son of Mary and Russell Stouffer of Dexter, plan to marry Feb. 26 at Brighton Assembly of God.

The future bride is a 2000 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 2004 graduate of Central Michigan University. She has a bachelor's degree in exercise physiology and is pursuing a teaching degree at Eastern Michigan University.

The future groom is a 1996 graduate of Saline High School and a 2004 graduate of Cleary University. He has a bachelor's degree in business management and is employed at American Home Fitness.



Couple to exchange vows

Angela Benjamin of Chelsea, daughter of Lyndon and Patricia Benjamin of Chelsea, and Eric Jensen of Grass Lake, son of Donald and Jo Ellen Jensen of Grass Lake, plan to marry Aug. 13.

The couple will exchange marriage vows at Grass Lake United Methodist Church.

The future bride is a 1994 graduate of Chelsea High School. She is working on an associate's degree in therapeutic massage at Baker College in Jackson. She is employed as a health record analyst at the University of Michigan Hospital.

The future groom is a 1996 graduate of Grass Lake High School. He is employed at ProQuest as an image technician and re-roll specialist.

BIRTHS

A son, Noah Richaard Coleman, was born Nov. 17 in Southaven, Miss., to Laura and Marques Coleman of Olive Branch, Miss. Maternal grandparents are Walt and Sharon Kusnier of Dexter. Paternal grandparents are Maurice and Garnette Coleman of Olive Branch, Miss. Great-grandmother is Marie Wiitanen of Hancock. Noah has a sister,

Nyah Marie, 4.

A daughter, Delaney Carolyn, was born midnight Jan. 1 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township to Kris and Ed McKernan of Chelsea. Grandmother is Marcia Jacobus of Chicago. Great-grandmothers are Palestine Candela of Chicago and Elizabeth Belin of St. Petersburg, Fla.

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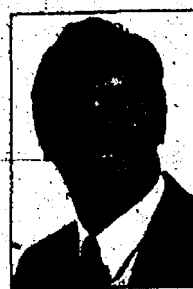
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DETROIT

Monster truck technology on exhibit

Detroit Science Center show mixes education with entertainment

By Clint Lowry
Herald-Examiner

A trip to the New Detroit Science Center always means seeing, hearing and even interacting with exhibits that explain physics, energy and how all sorts of technology works. But while it's cool making your hair stand on end from static electricity or creating a tornado in a chamber, there isn't always a clear connection between the science and everyday life, at least not in a way that the average kid can relate to.

That's changed in a big way a big, loud way.

"Monster Trucks: An Xtreme Exhibition" has rolled into the New Detroit Science Center where it will be through May 29.

"At the science center, we always walk the line between entertainment and science," said Kevin Prihod, chief science officer of the center.

So what do monster trucks have to do with science? Plenty, Prihod said.

Even so, he had his reservations that a monster truck exhibit would be a bit too frivolous, until he saw what the exhibit includes.

"It's excellent science, and it's an opportunity for kids to learn engineering and technology while they're looking at something they really like," he said.

As guests enter the exhibition hall, they come face to face — or face to grille — with the monster truck "Hot Wheels." Recorded engine

sounds blaring and headlights looking back at them like a hungry dinosaur.

This first impression is typical of the combination of excitement at seeing these beasts up close and the opportunity to really study them.

While they can look at Hot Wheels from all angles, it's even better when they get to "Grave Digger," where they can actually get inside the king of monster trucks.

"I don't think anything is going to be more popular than the Grave Digger itself," Prihod said.

Visitors can get a whole new appreciation for the size of these machines as they climb a steel staircase and hop inside the cab and sit in the driver's seat, which is 12 feet off the ground.

At the shows, they see the vehicles, but they don't actually get to climb in one, Prihod said.

Except for the pedals and gearshift being bolted into place, this is exactly as the truck is when it performs at shows.

While simply getting the chance to inspect the trucks inside and out will be exciting enough for many, that's just the beginning of the exhibit.

Over the past 20 years, the technology that goes into building and maintaining these machines has improved tremendously.

Much of the exhibit is dedicated to explaining that technology in a way that draws upon the excitement the trucks create.

"It's remarkable when you think, 'These things are 10,000 to 12,000 pounds, and they can go 30 feet in the air and land, crush things, roll over a million times and they still work and the drivers are unhurt,'" Prihod said. "It's amazing technology."

The exhibit combines stationary exhibits, video presentations and hands-on displays.

The first thing people notice on monster trucks is the size of the tires, which are 5 feet across and weigh about 800 pounds apiece.

At one display, young guests can see how even they can make one of these giant tires turn with ease, thanks to the planetary gear-system the trucks use.

Nowadays, monster truck bodies have unique shapes and thematic designs. They have to be light enough so as not to weigh the truck down, yet sturdy enough to withstand the punishment they take. One station shows how those distinctive fiberglass bodies are made.

The suspension systems on these trucks have a tough job to do. One station shows how the various components work, and the principles behind them.

For instance, the shock absorbers on monster trucks have a layer of nitrogen gas inside. It's there for a reason, and the display explains why.

Other displays explain how the drive train of a monster truck is designed based on scientific principles.

When fans watch these trucks jump 30 feet high,

sometimes tumbling and spinning when they land, it makes for an exciting spectacle. But there's a driver inside that truck, and a great deal of thought and effort over the years has gone into keeping them protected.

The displays explain every aspect of the safety features built into the trucks, from the helmets to the seats and the protective clothing the drivers wear, the harness systems they use and the remote control switches built into each truck that allows a crewmember on the sidelines to shut the truck off in case the driver can't.

At one station, young guests can get strapped into a seat with a harness system just like the drivers use. While they watch a video taken from inside a monster truck during a show, the seats are synchronized to jump and vibrate with the videos.

Those who are a little more daring and more than 4 feet tall can strap themselves into the "Spaceball."

The Spaceball is like a giant, motorized gyroscope. Guests are spun around upside down, sideways, every which way, simulating what it's like being in one of those monster trucks in a rollover.

With the Spaceball, guests can discover for themselves something about human physiology.

When people get dizzy, Prihod explained, it's because they are spinning in a consistent direction, and the fluid in their head starts

spinning in a consistent way. With this, because the motion is haphazard, a person doesn't get dizzy.

"It's got to be a lot smoother in the simulator," said Randy Brown, Grave Digger's driver. "I don't think anyone would want to jump in and do what we do."

By coincidence, a monster truck show was at the Pontiac Silverdome Jan. 15, just a few days after the exhibit at the science center opened. Brown came down to the opening day of the exhibit, along with Alex Blackwell, driver of the "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle" truck.

Both were familiar with the exhibit, and they like how it shows just what their profession entails.

"I don't think they realize the engineering that goes into it," Brown said.

Driving is a science in itself, Blackwell said.

"It's kind of a cross between drag racing and motocross," he said. "You got to have good reaction time. You have to be able to drive under certain situations."

"And then, like motocross, you have to have throttle rhythm. You have to know

when to give it the gas and when not to.

"It's hard to teach someone to drive these things. You either got it in you or you don't."

On top of that, he and Brown, like all of their fellow drivers, don't just get behind the wheel and drive. They are part of the team that maintains the trucks, and they have to know every aspect of their vehicles.

They might not be actual scientists, but they have to understand a lot of scientific principles to do their jobs.

That's the overall point of the exhibit, Prihod said.

"Engineers are cool," said. "They do cool things. They aren't all guys in lab coats with pocket protectors who crunch numbers all day."

Admission to "Monster Trucks: An Xtreme Exhibition" is \$4 for adults and \$2 for seniors and children 2 and older, with paid general admission to the center.

The New Detroit Science Center is at 5020 John R St., Detroit, at the intersection of Warren Avenue in Detroit's cultural district. Call 1-313-577-8400 for more information.

CHELSEA

Keezer inducted into Athletic Hall of Fame

At a banquet and presentation on Oct. 23, Bob Keezer was inducted into South Lyon Community Schools Athletic Hall of Fame. This was the fourth annual presentation.

Keezer graduated from Chelsea High School in 1955.

The South Lyon Community Schools Athletic Hall of Fame provides a medium to honor former South Lyon athletes as well as individuals who have served the athletic department in a distinguished manner.

The Athletic Hall of Fame recognizes men and women who have distinguished themselves by virtue of their performance as members of South Lyon athletic teams or by their service to the athletic department.

Keezer was a coach, teacher, counselor and athletic director at South Lyon High School from 1965 to 1993.

He was a positive influence in the lives of those who knew him. He taught commitment to family, community

and school. Bob stood for decency, integrity and fair play. He touched the lives of hundreds of students and colleagues.

Keezer was known to have come to the aid of people less fortunate and to give of his resources in order to help them in their special circumstances.

He coached his football team with the philosophy that if one pays the price of hard work and fair play, success will follow, be it in sports, school or life. More importantly, Keezer led by example.

Others inducted into the South Lyon Community Schools Athletic Hall of Fame at the evening's ceremonies were athlete Edward Hock, football announcers Ed Phillips and Dallas Phillips and athletes Dave Osborn and Susan Tomanek.

Several persons from Chelsea were in attendance for this ceremony to honor Keezer. Those who attended were Helen, Jim and Susan Keezer, Jeannette and David

Ehnis of Dexter, Bob and Mary Lou White of Traverse City, Tom and Joan Eisele of Ann Arbor, Bud and Sally Ringe and Bill and Sharleen Eisenbeiser.

Keezer and his wife, Helen, now live in Park City, Minn., and are active in retail and golf course maintenance.

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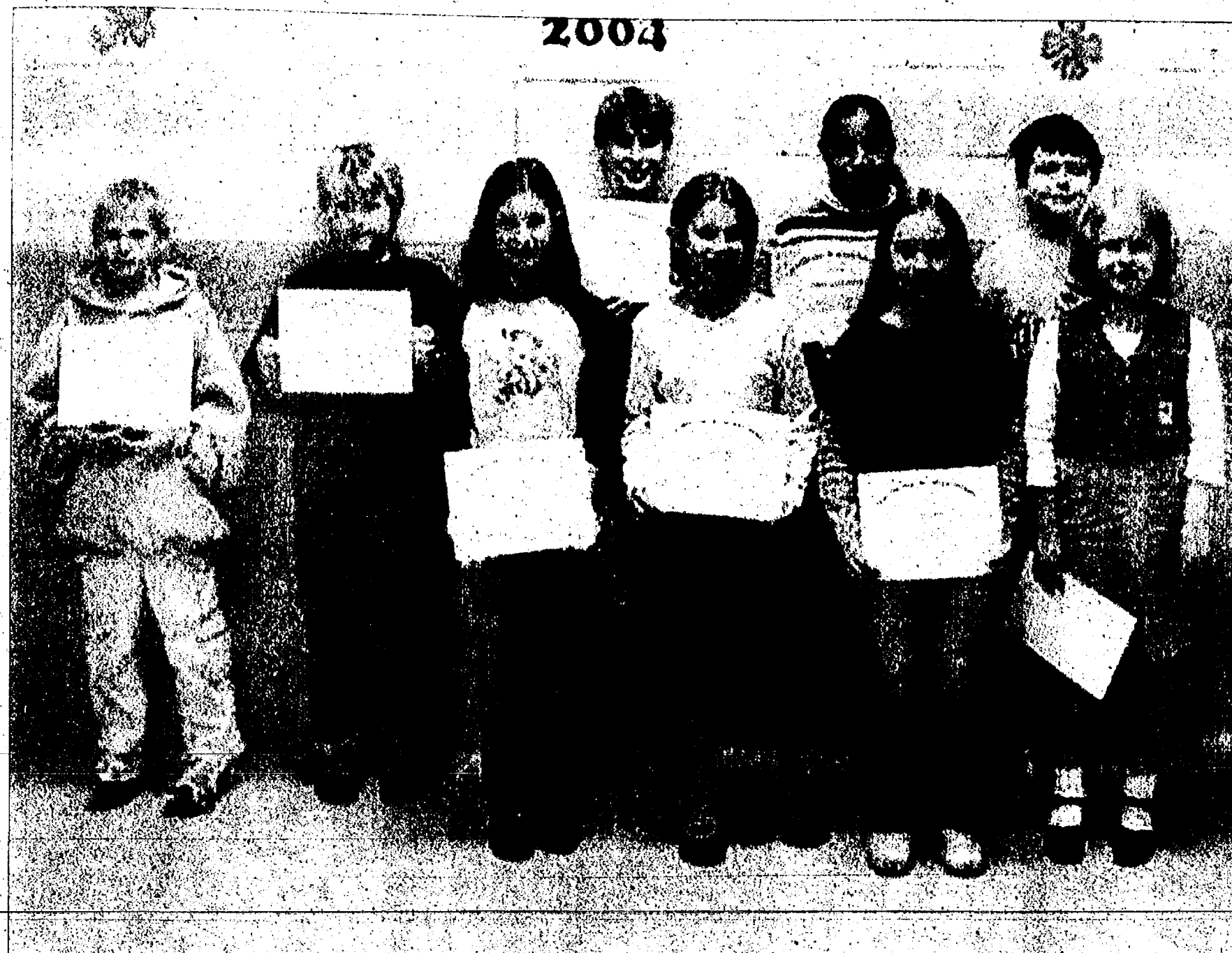
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Junior Master Gardeners

Those earning their Junior Master Gardener certificates through 4-H last year were Anna Davis (front, left) of Ypsilanti, Tiffany Huff of Ypsilanti, Erin Smith of Ann Arbor and Sara Taylor of Ypsilanti; Ervin Hinkley (back, left) of Ann Arbor, Isaac Hatopp of Saline, Casey Hirth of Whitmore Lake, Radhika Ragunathan of Dexter and Zachory Morris of Whitmore Lake.

STATE

Grants available for stream cleanup

People who organize annual waterway cleanups now can look to the government for a little aid.

The state Department of Environmental Quality announced that it is making \$25,000 in grants available to municipalities for volunteer river stream and creek clean up.

The money is to help in the removal of

trash and debris in and around waterways.

Local governments applying for the funds must be willing to provide a 25 percent match toward the total cleanup project cost.

They can partner with nonprofit organizations or volunteer groups to carry out the project.

The application package and additional information are available online at www.glc.org/streamclean.

The deadline for submissions is Feb. 28.

The agency will announce grant winners in April.

Water Quality Protection license plates fund the grant program.

STORIES

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struggle for independence with desperate tactics that gave birth to contemporary terrorism. It was a very confusing time for us, and the feeling of 'unbelonging' or displacement that we had carried with us all our lives was suddenly exponentially compounded.

"On top of the fear that all Americans were grappling with, we had feelings of intense shame and disconnectedness with our heritage. Talk about an identity crisis. We weren't even sure we could say our names in public."

At the time of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001,

Jazairi had been storytelling for about five years, and was getting stories ready to be produced on a radio program out of Omaha, Neb.

"But I suddenly felt that my stories about growing up Arab-American just weren't appropriate anymore and that no one would want to hear them," she said. "My sister was struggling, too. And then she met a fellow Arab-American who told her a story about our great-grandfather — one we had never heard before."

"I researched it and verified it, and both Jumanna and I found it extremely encouraging and inspiring. It gave us the strength to step forward and embrace our identity as Americans with Arab ancestry."

The story of her ancestor is the story of a deeply devout and religious man, one who always upheld the true principles of Islam, she says.

"The more I researched his life, the more I felt redeemed by the examples he set for the world. He is the subject of more than 50 biographical books and is considered one of the great Islamic teachers of all time."

"The story I tell is panoramic. There's his early

history, his war against France, his imprisonment and exile, intercut with my sister's and my experience as contemporary Americans," she said. "It's really as if he reached his hand out from the past to embrace us and comfort us."

So, I picked myself up and started storytelling again, beginning with his story."

Sheila Pursglove is a freelance writer. She can be reached at bingley51@yahoo.com.

CHELSEA

Library to host speakers

Chelsea District 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, 7 p.m. Feb. 16.

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.

Award-winning poet Naomi Shihab Nye, the Palestinian-American author of "Habibi," one of the books chosen for the community read, will visit Chelsea 7:30 p.m. March 14.

For more information about Chelsea Reads Together, call the Chelsea District Library at 475-8732 or visit the Web site www.chelsea.lib.mi.us.

ZENZ

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"The secret is not to let them get too old," Chris Frayer, secretary in the transportation department, said Zenz is a fun person to work with.

"I admire him," she said. "He is so giving to people and always cheerful. He is like

the Energizer Bunny, from one job to another."

In his spare time, which is hard to come by, Zenz collects John Deere precision tractors. He has about 20 precision tractors and close to 100 toy tractors. His family also owns about 30 antique tractors.

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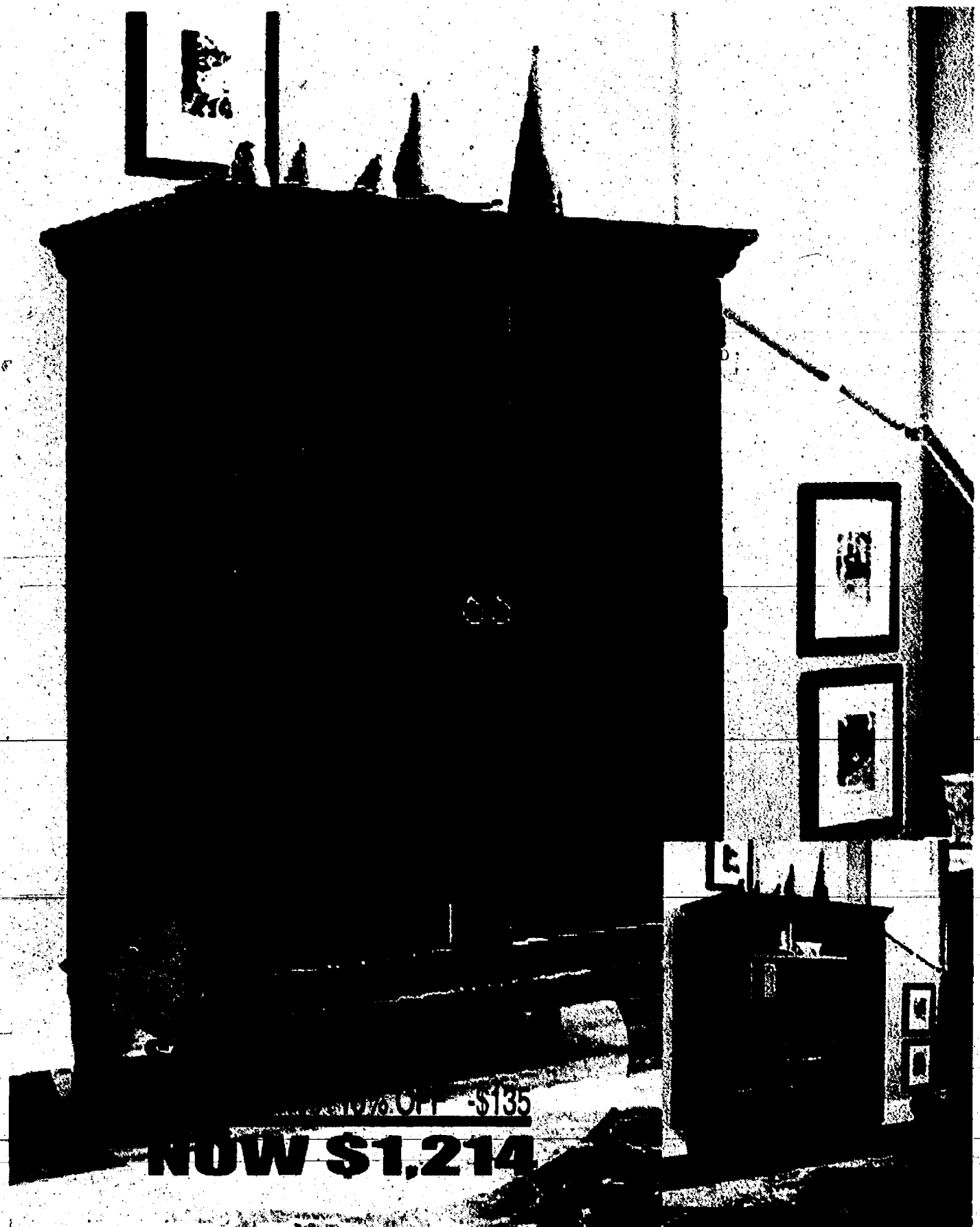
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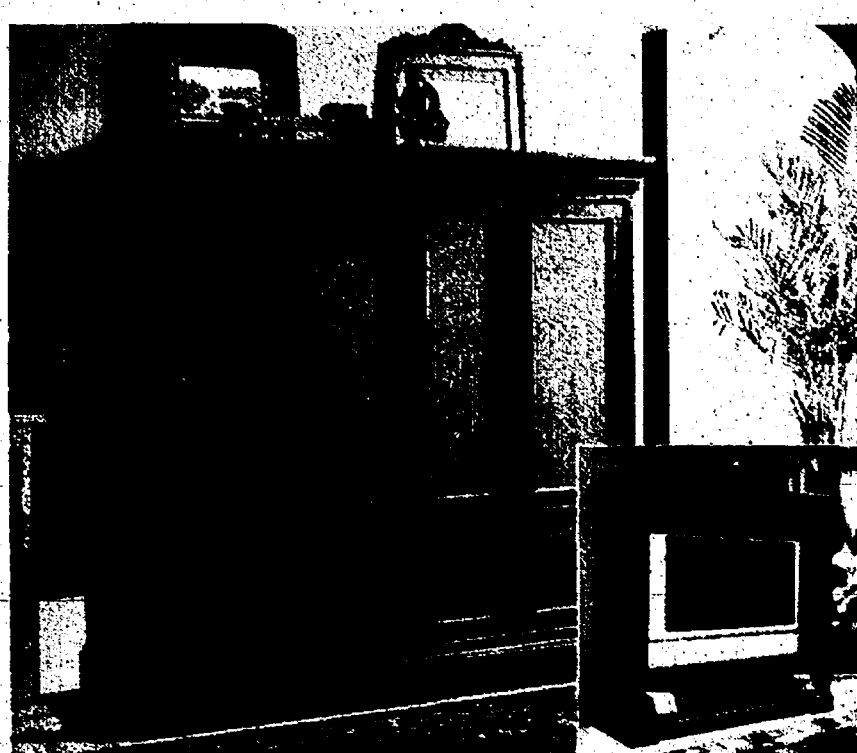
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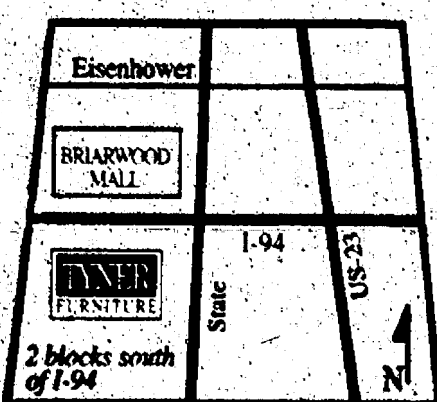
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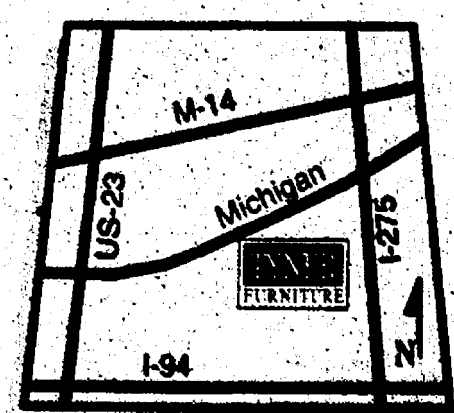
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CHELSEA

Play helps to bridge generation gap

Katie Simpson resurrects a play she wrote in the '50s, kids act in it

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

A group of fifth-graders and a resident of Silver Maples retirement community in Chelsea recently bridged the generation gap by working together on a play.

More than two dozen fifth-graders at South Meadows Elementary School put on a play last month written by Katie Simpson, a 90-something-year-old resident of Silver Maples.

An audience of retirement home residents and parents of the young thespians formed a standing-room-only crowd in the dining-room at Silver Maples to watch the production.

"It was an exciting challenge for the kids," said teacher Jeanne Caselli. "It was a worthwhile service project in which they learned how good it felt to do something for someone special."

Caselli found out about the play from Paul Koniarz, the activities director at Silver Maples. Caselli had become familiar with Silver Maples through the Adopt-A-Grandparent program.

"I think that Mrs. Caselli was a magician to put it on

with 26 fifth-graders," Koniarz said. "I admire her greatly. I think that anyone who has any kind of talent should use it."

Caselli said many families pitched in to make the production a success. One grandparent made a Santa suit, while another child's parent rented a sailor suit for one of the parts. The jack-in-the-box character needed a costume, so another parent took the time to make it.

Jolene Everard persuaded the band director to let the youngsters borrow some band costumes to make the toy soldiers look real, and Amy Craig made an old-fashioned-satin dress for her daughter, Jennifer, who played the part of the seamstress.

Simpson wrote the play 50 years ago, but never had it published. The play is about Chris Kringle, a sad, young toy-maker who found no joy in his work. Kringle could not figure out what was the matter until a seamstress came into his life and became his friend.

The story reminds people to make time for others and put joy in every aspect of their life. At the end of the story, the audience finds out that the seamstress' name is Merry Christmas.



Sarah Eckart (left), Chelsea Friday, Ellen Christie, Jennifer Craigh, Griffin Kuras and Chad Hill were among the cast of fifth-graders to act in a play for residents of Silver Maples retirement community.

Bryce Bradley, who portrayed the jack-in-the-box, enjoyed being part of the production.

"I liked being the jack-in-the-box. I think it was neat to do the play for (Simpson)," he said.

Sarah Eckart, who played the part of the dancing doll, also had a good time.

"I liked the play. I thought it went pretty well," she said. Simpson, who wrote the

play in the 1950s, used to belong to the Three Arts Club of Euclid, Ohio. She was assigned the task of writing a Christmas program, and the play was born at that time.

"I was excited and pleased the story came to life again," she said.

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ANN ARBOR

Women's Health and Fitness Day set

Everyone, from parents who wonder how they will discuss puberty with their daughter to women in middle age who are eager to learn about menopause, will have an opportunity to get answers to their questions from medical experts at the University of Michigan Health System.

Women's Health and Fitness Day will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 12 at the Michigan League Ballroom.

Attendees will get advice on keeping themselves or their wives, daughters, sisters and mothers healthy. The event will begin with an opening address at 8:30 a.m., followed by a three-hour series of workshops and informal presentations at 9 a.m.

Participants can choose to attend three of the following presentations:

• "From Atkins to the Zone," with Dr. Robert W. Lash, a clinical associate professor of internal medicine.

• "Puberty and My Teenage Daughter," with Dr. Elisabeth H. Quint, a clinical associate professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

• "Hunger Awareness and Emotional Eating," with Marilyn Migliore, a cardiovascular nutritionist and social worker.

• "Breast Cancer Basics," with Dr. Lisa Newman, director of the U of M Breast Care Center.

• "Teens and Mental Health," with Dr. Sheila

Marcus, clinical assistant professor and clinical director of the psychiatry division of the U of M Depression Center and Barb Blue, of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital.

• "Girls Just Want to Have Fun," a sex therapy workshop with Lori Hollander, a social worker.

• "Heart Healthy," with Dr. Claire Duvernoy, director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory in the Veterans Affairs Healthcare System in Ann Arbor.

• "The Female Athlete," with Dr. Deborah Berman, clinical assistant professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

• "It's Mom Time: Finding Time in a Busy Schedule to Exercise," with Dana Zink, a registered nurse in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit.

• "Is It Hot in Here, or Is It Just Me?" a workshop on menopause with Dr. Cathy Lee, a research scientist and director of the Geriatrics Outpatient Clinic in the Veterans Affairs Healthcare System and lecturer in Internal Medicine at the U of M Medical School.

• "The Female Body," an anatomy workshop with Tamara Stein, a lecturer in anatomical sciences and clinical anatomy and Women's Health at the U of M Medical School.

• "Healthy Bones," a workshop on osteoporosis, with Kesuri Patel of the Women's Health Program.

• "Sleep Disorders and Women," with Dr. Flavia Consens, associate professor

in the Department of Neurology.

• "Staying Healthy in School." Presenter to be announced.

• "Cooking Healthy on a Tight Budget." Presenter to be announced.

Lunch will be served at noon and will be followed by "Ask the Experts," a panel of experts who will respond to health questions submitted for discussion by event participants and non-participants online and throughout the event.

Admission is free for any of the day's events. In addition, prizes will be awarded

throughout the day and include gym memberships, exercise equipment and clothing, personal training sessions, golf lessons and gymnastics lessons.

Attendees will receive a tote bag, complimentary breakfast and lunch. Space is limited to 350 and registration is required. Attendees must be age 15 or older. Though the topics are focused on women, men are encouraged to attend, too. Parking is \$4 for the event in the Thayer Street structure, but vouchers are available. For registration information, call 1-800-742-2300, ext. 1015.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2005

Youngsters Natalie Jekel (left) and Reese Smith of the Chelsea Children's Co-op Preschool study a piece of art at the Chelsea Center for the Arts. A grant from the Chelsea Education Foundation has made the exhibit possible.



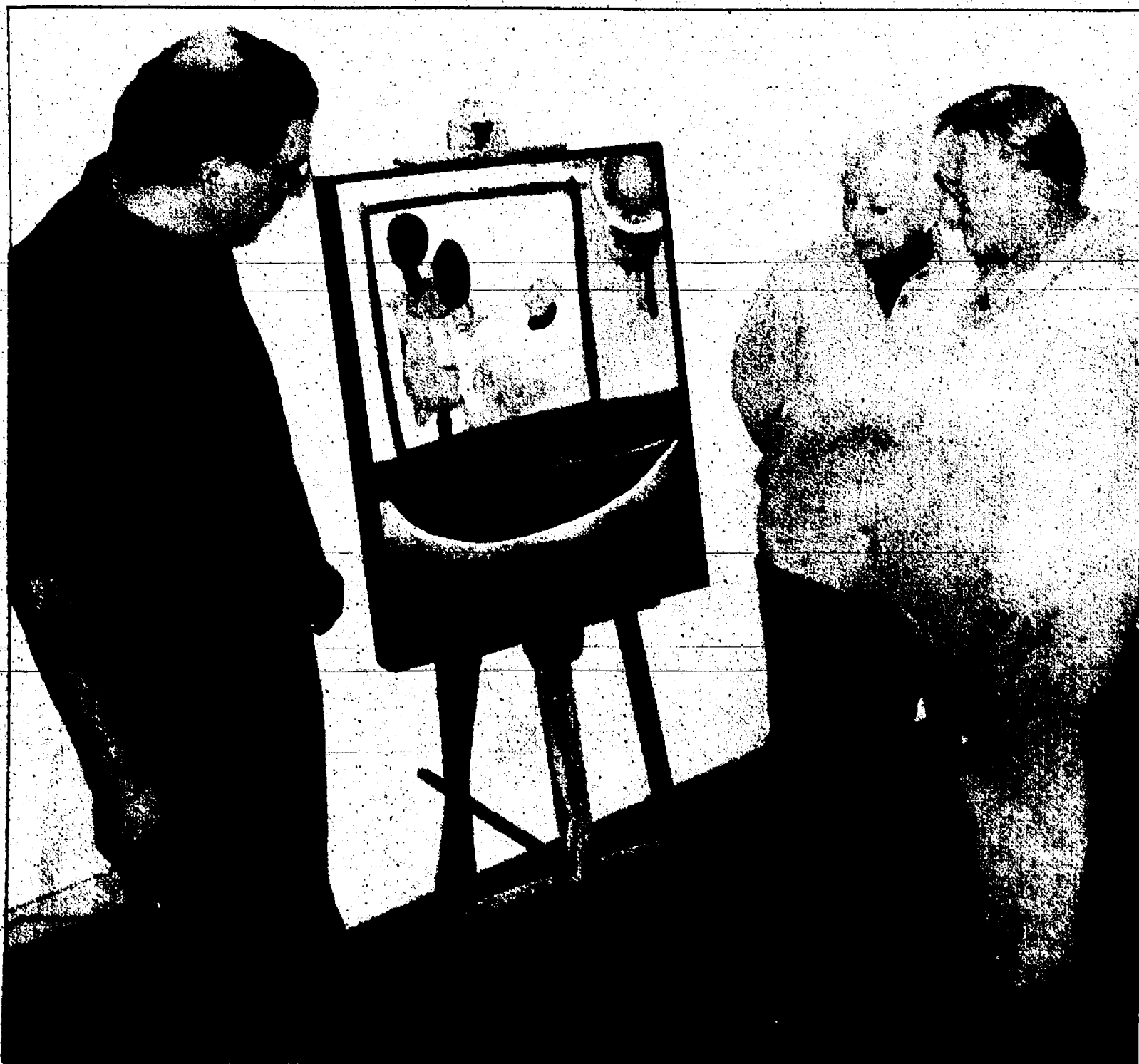
TRAVELING Exhibit

In support of local Martin Luther King Jr. Day events and Black History Month, Chelsea Center for the Arts is hosting an art exhibition of original work drawn from the collection of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts featuring compelling works by three generations of 20th century African-American artists. The exhibition runs through Feb. 11. Free gallery tours are offered to community groups throughout the exhibition.

PHOTOS BY RITA FISCHER



The Chelsea Center for the Arts has teamed up with the Kalamazoo Institute of the Arts to bring a special exhibit to Chelsea. Kalamazoo curator Greg Waskowsky installs the art exhibit with the help of Linda Leatham, gallery manager.



An exhibit on loan from the Kalamazoo Institute of the Arts is attracting attention. Greg Waskowsky, curator for the institute, gives an informal gallery tour at the Chelsea Center for the Arts members of the Chelsea Painters. E.J. Johnston (left), Tom Lyons, Bill Wetzel and Mary Fitzgerald listen to Waskowsky tell about the artwork.



Sally Wetzel studies a piece of work on display at the Chelsea Center for the Arts as part of a special exhibit.



A special exhibit at the Chelsea Center for the Arts has inspired Janet Alford, an art teacher in Chelsea schools. She is learning about the exhibit from curator Greg Waskowsky before bringing it to her students.

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HOCKEY

Red Wings visit Arctic Coliseum

Former NHL stars take on local team in benefit game last Saturday

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Aaron Lansky just wanted to survive.

The 30-year-old insurance agent and part-time goaltender just wanted to make a few saves.

"You go out there and have fun, and try not to look too stupid," said Lansky, a member of the Friends of Chelsea hockey team that suited up against the Red Wing Alumni squad in a benefit game at the Arctic Coliseum, last Saturday.

Despite playing well in net, making numerous saves, Lansky was his worst critic.

"They (Red Wing alumni) made me look silly," he said. "Compared to the talent I'm used to, they're real good. Their skill is phenomenal. For guys that normally don't play together, they're sweet."

Also sweet was the entire day last Saturday at the Arctic Coliseum's open house. It was a day to celebrate the beloved rink's new ownership. Recently, the arena had seen some rough times financially. But now, with new leadership, it's back on firm ground.

Besides the Red Wing alumni game, the arena hosted a free open skate to the public, along with clowns, face painting and refreshments.

Also, after the Red Wing contest, Chelsea's high school hockey team hit the ice against Howell (4-3 comeback victory) and, in the nightcap, the University of Michigan club hockey squad faced off against Grand Valley State University.

"It's been a great day," said Don Wright, Arctic Coliseum general manager. "The open skate was real full. The whole arena's been full today."

"We had a good turnout for the Red Wing alumni game. We're real pleased."

Karl Christian, owner of the Arctic Coliseum, was all smiles last Saturday.

"I'm thrilled with what happened today," he said. "Everybody seemed to have fun. That's why we put it

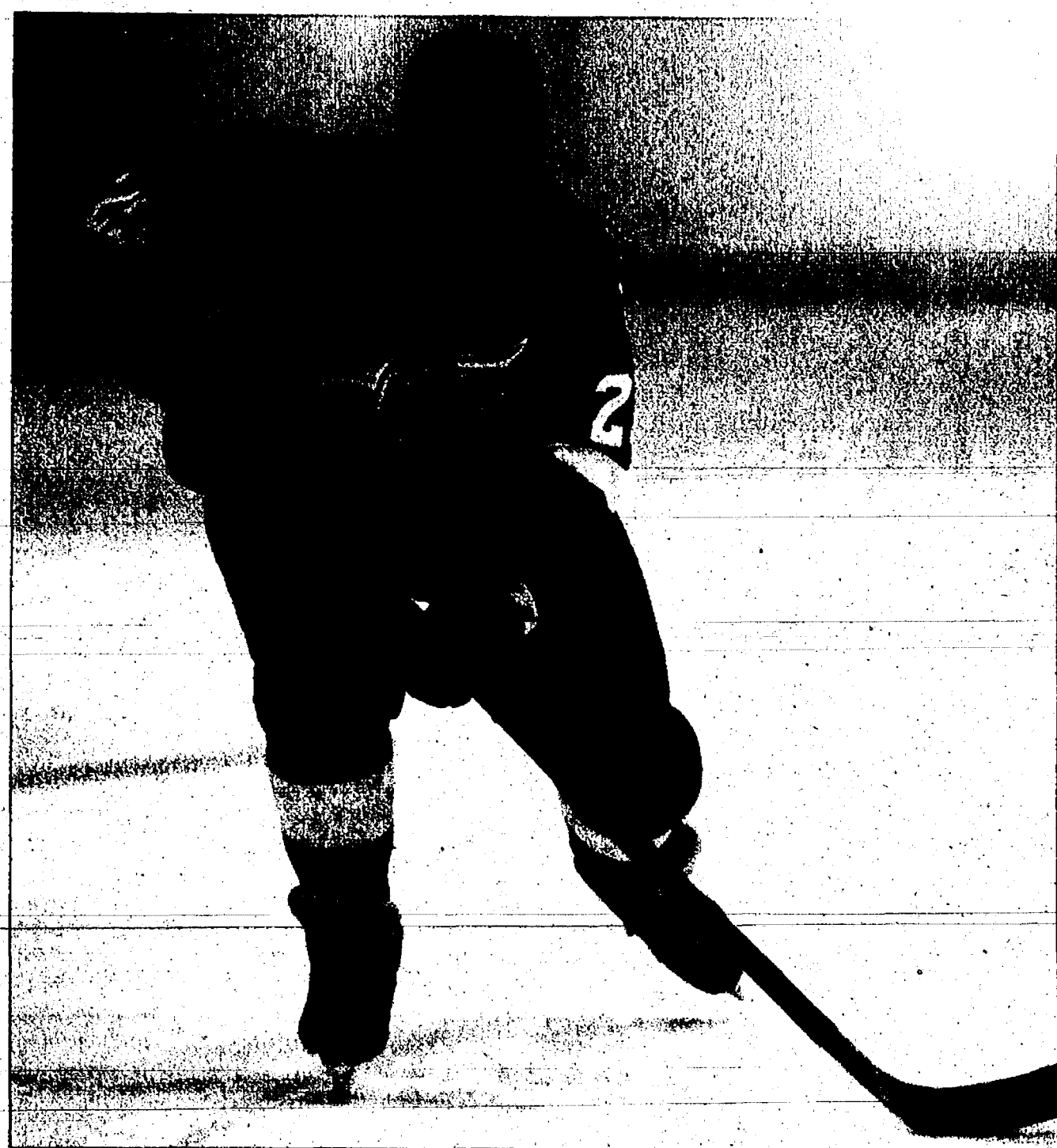


Photo by Craig Watson

Former Detroit Red Wing All-Star John Ogronick was one of many former Wings to visit the Arctic Coliseum last Saturday, to participate in a charity game against the Friends of Chelsea hockey team. The event packed the coliseum, which had an open house celebrating its new ownership.

together. We wanted to get the community involved. Everybody showed up, and it was a great time."

Indeed.

The entire parking lot of the coliseum was full, along with adjoining auxiliary lots, forcing those attending to park up and down the road leading up to the arena.

The Red Wing players noticed the packed house.

"It makes it much more enjoyable when you have a large crowd out there," said former Red Wing All-Star John Ogronick. "And the people that do the hard work to host the game did an excellent job. When you get the people out and you get a good turnout from the opposing team, it makes it that much more enjoyable."

"I thought today, in Chelsea, with the crowd we had in the stands and the team we played against, I thought it was a great afternoon."

Red Wing radio announcer Ken Kal enjoyed himself, as well.

"It's always fun to be able to do things for charity and raise money for good causes," he said. "That's basically what the Red Wing Alumni Association is all about. So to be a part of it is pretty fun."

Kal, normally sitting cozily in the booth calling games, has decided, with the current NHL lockout, to hit the ice this season with the alumni.

"When it gets down to the bottom of the barrel, they (alumni) ask me to play," he said. "This is the first year

I've skated with them. I look at it as an opportunity to get involved with the alumni and to help out with the organization anyway I can."

"Would I rather be broadcasting? Yes. But I don't want to forget about the guys that give time to raise money for charity, too. We're all a big, happy family with the Red Wings and the alumni. It's great."

Last Saturday's game benefited local charity organization Faith In Action and the Chelsea Hockey Association. The final score of last Saturday's contest was a Red Wing 12-5 victory.

Kal said that even in retirement the Red Wing alumni still play at a high level.

"They were on cruise con-

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Photo by Craig Watson

Chelsea senior Ryan Ford scored a goal in the Bulldogs' 4-3 come-from-behind victory over Howell last Saturday.

HOCKEY

Chelsea icers rally for victory over Howell

Four third period goals spark Bulldogs against Highlanders

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea hockey rallied for a 4-3 victory over Howell last Saturday at the Arctic Coliseum.

The host Bulldogs (7-3-6) scored four third-period goals for the win.

"It was a good team effort," said Chelsea coach Don Wright. "Once we were able to get that first goal, momentum shifted. It snowballed."

Chelsea spotted the powerful Highlanders a 2-0 first-period lead as Jeff Lassila and Steve Daavetila each scored at 4:58 and 10:53, respectively, of the opening stanza.

"Our problem (in first period) was we centered the puck in the middle of our own end," Wright said of Howell's two first period goals. "We had a miscommunication."

In the second period, the Highlanders increased their advantage to 3-0 as Andrew Parsons skated down the slot for a goal at 10:31 of the frame.

During the break before the third and final period, Wright gathered his team.

"I didn't feel we were doing a good enough job of getting pressure on their net," he said. "We talked

about crashing the net in the third period."

Apparently, the Bulldogs listened, as Chelsea dominated play in the third stanza.

At 2:48 of the final period, Eric Cremer scored for the Bulldogs off an assist from Travis Amburgey and J.R. Engelbert. Cremer broke into the Howell zone alone, cutting to the middle and scoring on the short side.

Four minutes later, Chelsea scored on a power play as Cremer notched goal No. 2. Assisting on the play for the Bulldogs was Taylor Hooper and Davis Turner.

"Momentum was on our side at this point," Wright said. "The crowd was into it."

With the large Chelsea crowd roaring, the Bulldogs needed fewer than three minutes to tie the game, as senior Ryan Ford fired in a rebound, making the score 3-3. Luc Daniels and Schuyler Williams recorded an assist on the goal for Chelsea.

With the Highlanders reeling and on their heels, Daniels supplied the knock-out blow, scoring 37 seconds later, crashing the net and tapping in a rebound for the game-winner.

Assisting on the play for the Bulldogs was Ford and Williams.

On the game-winning goal, Ford picked up the puck in the neutral zone, passed to Williams, who broke in alone on the Howell goaltender.

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WRESTLING

Bulldog grapplers hit mats in Dexter

Chelsea wrestlers finish 4-1 overall at invite last weekend

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea wrestling participated in the Dexter Invitational last Saturday, finishing the day 4-1 overall.

The Bulldogs defeated Ida 54-32; Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 70-6; Ann Arbor Pioneer, 51-22; and Northville, 48-9. Chelsea lost to Dexter 40-31.

"It was a good competition for us," said Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel. "It gives the kids some exposure time. It tells me what we have to work on."

Individually for the Bulldogs, Adam Rosentreter finished 4-1 overall at 103 pounds. Geoff Wonders (4-1) at 112, Danny Ngo (1-2) and Matt Schultz (1-1) at 119, Paul Bell (4-1) at 125, Nick Doll (1-1) and Doug Zygnier (1-2) at 130, Cody Schiller (5-0) at 140, Ross Fortner (3-1) at 145 and Derek Jolly (4-1) at 152.

Drew Wint finished 3-1 and James Connelly (0-1) at 160; Phil Thayer (3-1) and Andrew Ramsey (0-1) at 171; David



Photo courtesy of Joan Kelley

Chelsea's Adam Rosentreter ended up 4-1 overall at 103 pounds at last Saturday's Dexter Invitational.

Fishburn (0-2) and K.J. LeBeau (2-1) at 189; Austin Rodgers (5-0) at 215; and Brad Hinderer (4-0) and Doug DeVol (1-0) at heavyweight.

Chelsea vs. Lincoln

Last Thursday, Chelsea defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 40-30 in a dual meet.

At 103, Rosentreter beat Brandon Freeman by major decision 13-0.

At 112, Wonders defeated Vince Schneider by technical fall 15-0. With the win, Wonders improved to 27-6 overall on the year.

At 119, Ngo pinned Eric Mobery in 4:57.

"That was a key match right there," Kargel said. "That was a big turnaround for us."

Bell lost by pin in 1:43 to

Corey Robinette at 125. Zygnier lost by a technical fall 19-3 to Jonathon Fox at 130.

Marty Kelley lost to Alex Aldrich on a 13-1 major decision at 135.

At 140, Schiller beat Marcus Spencer on a 13-0 major decision. With the win, Schiller improved his overall

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Photo by Craig Watson

Bulldog senior goaltender J.R. Engelbert does the splits making a save against Howell last Saturday.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Chelsea swimmers top league foe Tecumseh

Bulldogs also defeat always tough Milan in meet last week

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' swimming and diving team defeated Southeastern Conference White Division rival Tecumseh 106-79 last Friday.

With their victory over the Indians, the host Bulldogs have now won three consecutive meets.

"It was a fantastic week," said Chelsea coach Dave Jolly. "We had many best times and performances in the meets (including Milan Jan. 25).

"By far the best performances this week were turned in by Nick Armstrong and Brett Kruse. It goes hand in hand with consistency in practice."

To begin the meet, the Chelsea foursome of Jordan Skidmore, Trevor Hughes, Armstrong and Kruse finished second in the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:52.88.

In the 200 freestyle, Andy Kellogg bested the field, winning in 1:52.80 for the Bulldogs. Teammate Benji Kellogg was third in 2:03.83, while Chris Moyle was fourth in 2:06.53.

Andy Kellogg continued his winning streak, capturing the 200 individual medley with a clocking of 2:11.45. Rick Kinsey placed second in 2:17.01, while Greg Daniel

was fifth in 2:32.10 for Chelsea. Nick Armstrong touched first for the Bulldogs in the 50 freestyle with a time of 23.56. Teammate Andrew Ballow ended up second in 24.32, while Jake Policht was sixth in 28.43.

In diving, Chelsea dominated, taking four of the top five places. Senior Shawn Bergman finished first with 229.55 points. Sean Cleary was second with 225.20 points, while Luka Kuhar placed fourth with 113.90 points and Zack Zeigler fifth with 101.50 points for the Bulldogs.

In the 100 butterfly, Michael Lawrence touched second for Chelsea in 1:05.24. James Bassett finished fifth in 1:21.46, while Jake Heydlauff was sixth in 1:27.05 for the Bulldogs.

Armstrong won his second event of the meet, placing first in the 100 freestyle with a time of 51.99. Ballow was third in 54.52, while Kruse was sixth in 57.22.

In the 500 freestyle, Kinsey finished first with a clocking of 5:11.59, while Benji Kellogg was second in 5:28.34 and Chris Moyle fourth in 5:48.55.

In the 200 freestyle relay, the Bulldog group of Andy Kellogg, Bergman,

Armstrong and Ballow placed first in 1:36.03.

Skidmore finished second in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:02.94. Teammate Ian Hughes touched third in 1:06.51, while Michael Kozma was sixth in 1:30.63.

Daniel paced Chelsea, ending up second in the 100 breaststroke in 1:13.12, while Ian Hughes was fourth in 1:13.66 and Nat Christman fifth in 1:18.57.

In the 400 freestyle, the Bulldog quartet of Doug Lance, Andy Kellogg, Moyle and Kinsey placed second in 3:50.26. Doug Wrathall, Benji Kellogg, Ballow and Kozma finished third in 4:09.46 for Chelsea.

On Jan. 25, the host Bulldogs defeated Milan 104-82.

To start the meet, the Chelsea team of Ian Hughes, Trevor Hughes, Lawrence and Kruse finished second in the 200 medley relay with a clocking of 1:57.05.

Kinsey captured the 200 freestyle, besting the field in 1:55.48. Benji Kellogg was third in 2:04.07, while Moyle was fourth in 2:05.52.

In the 200 individual medley, Andy Kellogg finished first, blowing away the competition with a time of 2:02.59. The next closest swimmer was Milan's James Donahue, who placed second, in 2:11.62.



Chelsea's Rick Kinsey finished first in the 500 freestyle, with a time of 5:11.59 in the Bulldogs' 106-79 win over Tecumseh last Friday.

Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson

For Chelsea, Skidmore was third in 2:24.30, while Daniel was fifth in 2:33.80.

Armstrong was nipped in the 50 freestyle, finishing second in 23.83. Winning the event was Milan's Ryan Bordine in 23.49. Ballow ended up third in 24.30, while Kruse was fourth in 26.00.

In the one-meter diving event, Milan swept the top three spots. The Big Reds have one of the state's best diving contingents, led by Kyle Schroeder, one of the top individual divers in Michigan.

Schroeder finished first with 274.25 points.

Leading Chelsea in the diving competition was Cleary, who placed fourth with

214.60 points. Bergman was fifth with 198.05 points, while Kuhar was sixth with 136.15 points.

Back in the lanes, Armstrong got the Bulldogs back on the winning track, touching first in the 100 butterfly, in 1:01.64. Lawrence was third in 1:06.79, while Moyle was fifth in 1:07.07.

Andy Kellogg placed first in the 100 freestyle with a clocking of 49.05. Ballow was second in 55.52, while Kruse was third in 59.88, as Chelsea recorded the 1-2-3 sweep.

In the 500 freestyle, Kinsey lapped the field, winning in 5:13.61. Placing second was Milan's Ian Pendleton in 5:46.22. Wrathall ended up fifth in 6:24.52, while Deric

Prieskorn was sixth in 8:09.66.

The Bulldog foursome of Andy Kellogg, Bergman, Armstrong and Ballow finished first in the 200 freestyle relay with a clocking of 1:34.59. Skidmore placed first in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:00.50. Ian Hughes was third in 1:08.13, while Daniel was fourth in 1:09.13 for Chelsea.

Benji Kellogg finished second in the 100 breaststroke with a clocking of 1:09.82. Trevor Hughes was third in 1:13.66, while Christman was fifth in 1:19.30 for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea next travels to Ann Arbor Pioneer for a meet 7 p.m. tomorrow.

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Williams' shot was stopped, but Daniels blasted in the rebound for the score.

The Highlanders out shot Chelsea 27-24.

Earning the victory in net for the Bulldogs was senior J.R. Engelbert.

Last Thursday, Chelsea tied Riverview 1-1.

After two scoreless periods, the visiting Bulldogs struck first as Ryan Ruikka turned the light on off an assist from C.J. Cogswell and Daniels 41 seconds into the final frame.

At the 8:07 mark, the host Pirates, ranked in the state's top 10, scored as Chris Simon

hit the back of the net for the night's ending margin.

Riverview out shot Chelsea 26-23.

Engelbert preserved the tie in net for the Bulldogs.

"I was pleased with our effort," Wright said. "We were off for two weeks due to the weather. The game was like a playoff type atmosphere. Both teams had

chances, and both played extremely well defensively. It was a good game, overall."

It was a good week overall for the Bulldogs said Wright.

"Last year, we lost to Howell 4-0 and Riverview 5-0," he said. "I'm pretty pleased to go through the week without a loss."

"In general, we're playing well. It was nice to score four

goals against Howell. We need that type of offensive effort every night."

The Bulldog (10-5) prep team was also in action last Saturday, defeating Berkley 6-3.

Chelsea next travels to county rival Dexter for game 4:50 p.m. today at Veterans Arena. The contest is a make-up for the Jan. 22 game,

which was postponed because of inclement weather.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs host Livonia Franklin at 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, Chelsea hosts Ypsilanti Lincoln at 8:30 p.m.

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BASKETBALL

Cagers overcome pressure, beat Rails

Inside power also a plus for Chelsea in win over Lincoln

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' basketball team defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 50-46 last Friday in a key Southeastern Conference White Division match up.

The visiting Bulldogs (8-4, 2-0) led 15-14 after one quarter.

At halftime, Chelsea continued leading 28-24.

Entering the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs held a 41-38 advantage. In the last frame, Chelsea netted nine points, while limiting the Railsplitters to eight points for the night's final margin.

"I think the biggest lead was seven points all night," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "Getting a lead in the first quarter was key. We tried to go inside to (John) Mantel. We felt we had the advantage at the center position. It was a big win at Lincoln."

Mantel, a 6-foot-5 junior, paced the Bulldogs with a double-double of 18 points and 13 rebounds. He also swatted away two shots.

With Lincoln 6-5, 230-pound junior center Phil Bagardi in foul trouble most of the game, Raymond said the Railsplitters were vulnerable in the paint.

"When he (Bagardi) went out, they had a tough time handling John inside," he said.

Lincoln sophomore guard Andrew Johnson (6-4) led the Rails with 14 points.

"He had 35 points last

week against Willow Run," Raymond said. "Danny Keilman guarded him the majority of the game and did a good job."

While Keilman contained Johnson, teammate Terry Arnold shut down Aaron Williams, Lincoln's lightning-quick senior point guard.

"Terry helped hold him to seven points," Raymond said. "He stopped him from penetrating."

Besides Mantel, Chelsea was led offensively by Keilman, who scored nine points, hauled down six rebounds and dished off a team-high four assists.

Sophomore guard Nate Schwarze added nine points and three steals, while senior guard Tim Mann had seven points and three assists. Senior forward Aaron Parish had five points and two blocked shots for the Bulldogs.

Sophomore forward Mike Sauers ended up with two points for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs finished 20-of-50 from the floor for 40 percent. The Rails ended up 17-of-45 from the floor for 38 percent.

From the free-throw line, Chelsea was 7-of-14 for 46 percent, while Lincoln was 10-of-17 for 59 percent.

The Bulldogs out rebounded the Railsplitters 31-29.

Raymond said his team was able to maintain its poise despite Lincoln's tight defense.

"Lincoln tried to pressure us on the perimeter," he said. "The kids handled it very well. We see that every day in practice. Lincoln pressed us, man-to-man full court. Under that kind of pressure, our guards played well."

Raymond said the Rails



Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson
Chelsea senior guard Danny Keilman scored nine points, grabbed six rebounds and dished off a team-high four assists in the Bulldogs' 50-46 victory over Ypsilanti Lincoln last Friday.

entered the game on a roll, defeating Ypsilanti Willow Run 86-84 and Pinckney 66-63 the prior two contests, winning their last three out of four outings.

"Our team defense was the key," he said. "To hold them to 46 points, in their gym, I was very pleased."

Chelsea next hosts county rival Dexter 7 p.m. tomorrow.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs travel to Saline for a game at 7 p.m.

On Feb. 11, Chelsea visits Tecumseh for a contest at 7 p.m.

Chelsea Freshman
Chelsea's freshman boys'

basketball team defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 56-47 last Friday.

The visiting Bulldogs (7-5) ran out to a 33-22 halftime lead.

"They came out in a zone and we shot the ball extremely well against it," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris. "I was shocked to see that we had 24 points in the first quarter."

Nathan Vlcek paced the Bulldogs with 14 points. Jeff Adams added 13 points.

Chelsea next hosts rival Dexter 5:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Washington Street Education Center.



Photo courtesy of Joan Kelley
Chelsea's Ross Fortner finished 3-1 at 145 pounds at last Saturday's Dexter Invitational.

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record to 28-3.

At 145, Fortner was pinned by Kyle O'Keefe in 54 seconds.

Chelsea's Stephen Kolokithas pinned A.J. Patton in 4:49 at 152. Kolokithas remained unbeaten on the season, improving his record to 26-0.

At 160, Jolly lost to Scott Mitchell 5-3 at 160.

Thayer decided Tom Nuttle 4-2 at 171. Fishburn was pinned by Dan McGough

in 2:11 at 189.

At 215, Rodgers pinned Caleb Williams in 1:56. With the victory, Rodgers improved to 23-4 overall on the season.

At heavyweight, Hinderer won by void, improving his overall mark to 25-3 on the year.

Chelsea next travels to Saline for a meet 6:30 p.m. today.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs visit Holly to participate in its five-team invitational at 9 a.m.

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VOLLEYBALL

Kendzicky leads spikers

Chelsea volleyball lost to Adrian 25-27, 22-25, 25-22, 19-25 Jan. 20.

The visiting Bulldogs were led by sophomore middle hitter Ann Kendzicky with 14 kills.

Junior outside hitter Maggie Dusbiber added 10 kills, while junior outside hitter Sarah Iverson had eight kills for Chelsea.

Senior setter Megan Korc finished with a team-high 41 assists for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea next hosts Saline 7 p.m. today. The Hornets have arguably the state's No. 1 player in Lauren Paolini. The 6-foot-5 middle blocker will play at the University of Texas next season.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs will participate in the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational at 8:30 a.m.

On Feb. 10, Chelsea will host county rival Dexter at 7 p.m.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Beach tankers dunk Adrian in the pool

Chelsea's Beach Middle School swimming and diving team defeated Adrian 111-58 Jan. 24.

The host Bulldogs improved their season record to 3-1 with the victory.

In the 200 medley relay, the Beach foursome of Katie Lindauer, Katie McEachern, Jillian Nichols and Grace Benton finished second. The group of Stephanie Everard, Alyssa Rodgers, Olivia DeTroyer and Dominic Conybeare placed third, while Nick Hewitt, Becca Brezee, Viran Rana and Kristin Angelocci touched fifth for Chelsea.

In the 200 freestyle, Ryan Wrathall placed first, while Katlin Cottrell was third and Sarah Daniel fourth for the Bulldogs.

Nick Dyerly bested the field in the 100 individual medley, followed by DeTroyer in second and McEachern in fourth.

In the 50 freestyle, Claire Stephens finished first for Beach. Evan Phillips ended up third, while Conybeare was sixth.

Peter Wilke placed first in diving for Chelsea, while Michael Heydlauff was second and Everard third.

In the 50 butterfly, DeTroyer finished second, while Dyerly was third and Nichols fourth.

Stephens captured the 100 freestyle, while Wrathall was second and Phillips fourth for the Bulldogs.

The Beach quartet of Dyerly, Phillips, Wrathall and Stephens finished first in the 200 freestyle relay. DeTroyer, McEachern, Angelocci and Cottrell ended up second, while Abby Lewis-Lakin, Rana, Daniel and Benton touched fourth for Chelsea.

Everard finished first in the 100 backstroke, while Lindauer was third and Conybeare fourth.

In the 100 breaststroke, Rodgers ended up second, while McEachern was third and Zoe Rozsa fifth for the Bulldogs.

The Beach combo of Dyerly, Everard, Wrathall and Stephens placed first in the 400 freestyle relay.

Erie Mason Invite
Last Saturday, Chelsea finished third overall with 162 points, at the eight-team Erie Mason Invitational.

Winning the meet was Saline with 454 points. Dexter was second with 351 points.

"We always seem to swim well at this invitational," said Chelsea coach Dave Brinklow. "It's the first big meet for a lot of these kids, so the excitement of having seven other teams there, and the great level of competition, makes it very fun."

"While our top 12 scorers did very well, we also had some huge time drops for our other kids. I'm just very proud of all of them."

In the 200 medley relay, Everard, Rodgers, DeTroyer

and Conybeare placed sixth with a season best performance. Nick Raupp, Lindauer, Nichols and McEachern ended up eighth.

Wrathall finished third in the 200 freestyle with a personal best clocking.

Dyerly placed 11th in the 100 individual medley. Stephens touched fourth in the 50 freestyle.

Heydlauff was sixth in the diving competition. DeTroyer ended up 10th in the 50 butterfly.

Stephens finished third in the 100 freestyle, while Wrathall was seventh.

In the 200 freestyle relay, the Beach foursome of Dyerly, Phillips, Wrathall and Stephens placed third.

DeTroyer, McEachern, Angelocci and Cottrell ended up seventh.

In the 100 backstroke, Everard finished eighth, while Conybeare was 10th.

Rodgers touched 11th in the 100 breaststroke.

In the 400 freestyle relay, Dyerly, Everard, Wrathall

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VOLLEYBALL

Beach defeats Adrian in match

Chelsea's Beach Middle School seventh-grade Blue volleyball team defeated Adrian White 19-25, 25-8, 25-19 last Thursday.

Shelby Platt paced the visiting Bulldogs with 17 service points, including four aces.

Erin Draper added 10 service points, while Alisa Cremer had seven service points and two aces. Brittany Schmelz finished with three service points and one ace, while Heather Cooper had two service points. Melanie Burchett, Jenna McGrath and Hannah Gavorek each recorded one service point for Beach (2-3).

On Jan. 25, Chelsea defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 25-21, 27-25, 25-14.

Schmelz topped the host Bulldogs with 18 service points and four aces.

Shelby Phillips had seven service points and one ace, while Kelly

Schmidt had five service points and one ace. Platt had four service points and one ace. Montana Nickerson, Draper and Gavorek each served three points for Chelsea. Nickerson had one ace.

Schuyler Adkins ended up with two aces, while Burchett and Cooper each had one service point for Beach.

On Jan. 24, Chelsea lost to Lincoln 25-22, 16-25, 9-25.

Schmelz paced the visiting Bulldogs with six service points and two aces.

Cremer ended up with five service points, while McGrath and Platt each had three service points for Beach. Katie Menge and Phillips each served two points for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs next travel to Temperance Bedford for a match 4 p.m. today.

On Tuesday, Chelsea visits Saline Gold for a contest at 4 p.m.

On Feb. 10, the Bulldogs host county rival Dexter at 4 p.m.

The Beach seventh-grade Gold volleyball squad lost to Saline Blue 12-25, 15-25, 25-15.

"We won the last game," said Chelsea coach Rahn Rosentreter. "That was our best game of the season."

Alaina Weddon led Chelsea with 10 service points. Marissa Elwart added eight service points, while Amanda Moyer had seven service points for the host Bulldogs.

On Jan. 25, visiting Beach lost to Tecumseh 25-16, 25-15, 25-14.

Chelsea next hosts Lincoln 4 p.m. today.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs host Adrian Blue at 4 p.m.

On Feb. 10, Chelsea travels to Temperance Bedford for a match at 4 p.m.

WINGS

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trol," he said of last Saturday's game. "They make the puck work. They're so good, so skilled. Just to be on the ice with them is unbelievable. They draw you in with the puck, and as soon as two guys (defenders) go in, you're out of position, and bang, they hit the open guy and get a good shot on goal."

Nobody had to tell goaltender Lansky about the alumni players. He had a front row seat to their wizardry with the puck.

Late in the third period, former Vancouver Canuck Bill Mucalt raced in on a breakaway, juking and scoring on Lansky, who, despite sprawling to attempt a save, was beaten cleanly.

"I've seen him play for many years," Lansky said. "He's phenomenal. He (top) shelled me. I can't say too much bad about it (his effort to stop puck). I had fun. It helps that they were taking it easy out there. But, I had a good time."

Also having a good time was Ogronick, known to many as one of the best players to ever wear the Red Wing jersey. He especially enjoyed playing inside the Arctic Coliseum.

"The place is fascinating," he said. "I like the idea of

having an upstairs workout area and having a place to sit and eat between the two rinks. It's a great set up. And, I'll tell you, I thought the ice conditions were excellent. I thought the ice was nice and smooth. It compares with some of the ice I played on in the National Hockey League."

"On the other side of the spectrum, I played five years in New York (with the Rangers) and that was the worst ice in the league. But this ice was excellent. It's great to look up in the stands and see the crowd there. It was nice to see the figure skaters come out and see the little kids come out between periods. It just makes for a fun afternoon."

Ogronick said playing in these benefit games never gets boring.

"Actually, today was one of our better skates," he said. "The team Chelsea put together actually had some guys who could skate. It was a good workout today. There are games we play where the majority of the team really can't skate. But it's (game) always for a good cause and to raise money."

"We try to put a show on. You want to show some smart puck movement. I think fans appreciate that. And then you like to take a few shots, ring a few off the goal posts or off the glass. The fans always get an 'ooh' out of



Photo by Craig Watson
Detroit Red Wing alumni member Jon Finstrom stickhandles up the ice during last Saturday's game against the Friends of Chelsea at the Arctic Coliseum.

that." The fans, yes. Opposing 30-year-old weekend goaltenders, maybe, or maybe not.

"My favorite memory of today was Ogronick telling me (jokingly) he was either going to take my head off or

my defenseman's," Lansky said. "So, he let one shot rip, but it was no big deal. I'm used to that kind of stuff. I had a great time."

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Chelsea's Marti Williams (left), a coach for the Michigan Xtreme Cheer youth team, stands with her daughter, Kandice, after winning a national title at last month's JamFest Super Nationals in Indianapolis.

CHEERLEADING

Local cheer teams win national titles

The Michigan Xtreme Cheer team captured national titles in the youth division and in the open collegiate bracket at the JamFest Super Nationals in Indianapolis Jan. 15 and 16.

The MIX youth team is coached by Chelsea's Marti Williams.

The cheer nationals featured 300 teams, 5,700 athletes and more than 10,000 spectators.

The two national championships were the first ever for the MIX program.

"The organization has seen a phenomenal growth in talent and athlete participation since its inception three years ago," MIX owner Lisa Hemmie said in a press release. "The team's success at this (event last month) is

an indication that the hard work and effort of the athletes and coaches is paying off."

The MIX cheer program is comprised of athletes from throughout southeast Michigan. Cheerleaders range in age from 5 to 21. Five of the seven MIX cheer squads practice at the Hartland Sports Center, while the final two teams practice as part of Chelsea Parks and Recreation.

MIX cheer next participates Saturday in the Great Lakes Cheer Motor City Showdown at Macomb Community College.

For more information about MIX cheerleading, contact Hemmie at 1-734-652-6989 or visit the Web site www.MIXcheer.com.

— CHELSEA MITES —



The Chelsea Mini Mite hockey team won the championship of the West Shore Community Tournament in Ludington Jan. 21 through 23. Members of the team include, front row, Avery Hill (left), Austin Raubach, Hunter Hammerschmidt, Derek Schaedig, Ian Elliott, Wes Sullivan, Brendon Thibodeau and Carter Clarke; middle row, Zach VanBoven (left), Alec Daman, Gwen Lansky, Brandon Wright and Mack Hubert; back row, coach Aaron Lansky (left), coach Jason Hill, coach Mike Sullivan and coach Chuck Elliott. Teddy Ulisse is not pictured.

HOCKEY

Chiefs capture tourney

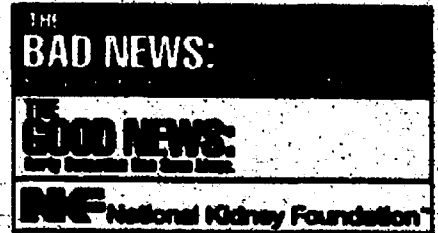
The Chelsea Chief Midget A hockey team captured the Chicago Cup Tournament last month.

The squad finished with a 4-1 overall record, posting two shutouts.

Members of the title team include Zach Stanislovaitis, Alex Riley, Jared Crow, Sam Lishinski, Matt Logan, Alex Root, Martin Wurster, Greg Logan, Doug Nelson, Stephan Subu and Kevin Schubring. Other team members include Daniel Lippman,

Sean Payeur, Ryan Ehmann, Jamie Bowen, Trevor MacDonald and Richard Droncheff.

Head coach is Kevin Ehmann. Matt Logan is assistant coach and Karen Lishinski manager.



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Loaded with Fun

Jill Seitz, owner of the Chelsea Dollar Store, 12855 E. Old US-12 in Chelsea, presents Baily Weatherwax, a third-grader at Pierce Lake Elementary School, with a Christmas stocking loaded with \$150 worth of toys. Baily, the son of Kevin and Brittney Weatherwax of Chelsea, was the grand-prize winner of a Christmas prize drawing at the store. Baily's neighbor, Marsha Lentz, entered him in the drawing.

DEXTER

Local man receives award from Realtors

The late Barry Wallace of Dexter was posthumously given the Ann Arbor Area Board of Realtors' annual Environmental Award Jan. 13.

For the first time ever, two recipients were honored for their efforts to include environmental considerations in their business practices.

Wallace was a local home inspector who consistently provided services with a mindful eye on the environment, according to a press release from the Realtors board. Wallace was credited with being highly efficient, and for going out of his way to sort through such difficult situations as septic failure, poorly engineered or improper operating systems, until he had a good solution to recommend.

He was also noted for taking time to explain to homeowners how the process worked and when results could be expected.

The award was accepted by Wallace's widow, Judy Wallace of Dexter, and sons Stephen and Michael.

The second award was presented to Patricia Harroun, president of Cardea Construction, for the home renovation at 1515 S. Maple St., in Ann Arbor. The home

received a five-star energy-efficient home rating, and meets the American Lung Clean Home Standards requirements.

The Ann Arbor Area Board of Realtors Environmental Award is presented each year to businesses, developers or builders who use new products containing recycled materials or energy-saving qualities, or who consider the environment in the design of subdivisions.

Organizations and individuals who take steps to clean up environmental problems are also eligible, as are businesses that have developed innovative recycling/reuse programs. Restoration and remodeling efforts that promote historical preservation and reuse materials are eligible as well.

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ANN ARBOR

Butler to retire from Arbor Hospice

Arbor Hospice & Home Care President and CEO Markey Butler will retire from her position, but is confident her successor will lead the organization with continued success.

The date of her retirement is said to be between June 30 and Oct. 31.

Butler has served in the position since January 1999. During her tenure, she has led the organization through a significant financial turnaround and has succeeded in positioning the agency as a valuable community asset, according to a press release from Arbor Hospice & Home Care.

Under Butler's leadership the past six years, Arbor Hospice & Home Care, which has a facility in Ann Arbor, has achieved a positive net income and an average annual net asset growth of 67 percent.

The agency has also grown to achieve annual revenue upward of \$10.5 million, representing an increase of 67 percent from 1999, primarily as a result of effective strategic initiatives and increased patient care within the Ann Arbor, Downriver, and western Wayne and Oakland communities.

"My initial commitment to Arbor Hospice's board of directors was for a minimum of three months, then six months, and now I find myself completing the sixth year as CEO," Butler said in

the press release. "I reflect back now on the many tribulations and triumphs we have been through as an agency, and as a family. Each tribulation has made us stronger; each triumph reaffirming our work each day, from one season to the next."

"Now, the season has come for me to retire and share with my husband our life's journey together. This decision is extremely difficult for me, but one that I make with appropriate consideration given to the phenomenal staff and leadership of Arbor Hospice who have worked by my side throughout the past six years, and the vision they each possess, which will continue to take the organization forward in its mission."

In addition to the agency's positive financial results for the past five years, Butler and her existing management team have achieved notable milestones. Among those cited were increased volume growth, establishment of The Arbor Hospice Foundation, expanded branch operations serving

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FREEDOM TOWNSHIP

Sparks finally finds her calling

Indiana native decided to enter seminary school at age 50

By Austen Smith
Heritage Newspapers

When the Rev. Doris Sparks told her family and friends that she was going to attend seminary school at 50 years old, everybody already kind of knew.

"My husband told me that if I had gone to seminary when he knew I should have, I would be done already," Sparks said.

She was more surprised by her family's reaction than they were surprised by her decision.

Now, at 55, Sparks is starting a new journey at Zion Lutheran Church, located on Fletcher Road in Freedom Township.

Sparks was recently installed as the full-time pastor, starting in August last year and replacing the Rev. Michael Konow, the church's interim pastor.

Sparks and her husband were longtime residents of Indiana, growing up in South Bend, before Sparks enrolled in Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus. She would drive to Trinity on Sunday evenings and return to their family home in Brown County, just south of Indianapolis, on Thursday.

Sparks' husband is currently looking for a job in the area as a computer network administrator. He still lives in Indiana, and plans to move when he lands one.

Sparks says she has enjoyed living in the area, but she is no stranger to the state of Michigan.

"I did my internship not too far away from here at Immanuel Lutheran in Blissfield," Sparks said. "I spent a year as an intern after two years at seminary. I served under the Rev. Gary Leaking. It was a wonderful time. When I finished my internship, I went back to seminary for another year and now I'm here."

Despite serving at Zion for only a short time, Sparks has thrown herself into pastoral work and has become acclimated to the congregation.

She says Zion is a busy place for church-goers and staff.

"We have a lot going on here. It's a happening place," she said.

"We have things for all ages. The best part of what I do is getting involved with all of the different things we have going on. We have an active youth group, women's group, and a contemporary worship on the second and third Sunday of each month where a musical group from our own congregation performs."

"My husband told me that if I had gone to seminary when he knew I should have, I would be done already."

Doris Sparks
Pastor at Zion Lutheran

"There are clarinets and guitars and it's just really neat."

Sparks started her spiritual journey in 1997 when she trained to be a layperson for her local church. During that time, she would take over some pastoral duties when the regular pastor was sick or away.

Sparks turned to the Lutheran church while she was dating her husband, a longtime Lutheran himself. She says she fell in love with the liturgy surrounding the church.

"I fell in love with the idea of grace. Now I've been a Lutheran for 33 years and I'm proud of it," she said.

Sparks said she was called upon to serve in the ordained ministry.

"I can't tell you why. All I know is that God called on me."

"While I was training to be a layperson, I started to recognize the call until I couldn't ignore it any longer. Then I said to myself, 'Boy, I really

need to take a look at this."

Sparks is excited to be starting a new chapter in her life at a church she has already come to admire and love. When she first arrived at Zion, one of the more noticeable things she recognized about the congregation was an incredible sense of acceptance and open-mindedness.

"Being a farm community and with a church that is 137 years old, we have lots of people who are related, but at the same time we are very good at integrating new people into the congregation," Sparks said.

"We are good at welcoming people who are just moved into the area. Not all congregations are as accepting from what I have experienced."

Sparks says it is important for a church and a congregation to be open-minded and able to adapt to a dynamic culture.

"Being open to new things is very important if you want to continue to grow as the culture of society grows," she said. "I think the history of the church itself has been to adapt to changing ways in culture. Look at how the church has changed throughout the years."

In response to the tsunami disaster in southeast Asia, Sparks and the church took up an offering to donate to nationally recognized Lutheran World Relief. Sparks says they have been doing whatever they can, like a number of area churches, to donate and deliver aid to areas affected by the tsunami.

She also says the Lutheran church insurance provider group, Thrivent Financial, is offering matching funds that will go toward tsunami relief.

Lutheran World Relief has been heavily involved with relief efforts. Sparks says Lutheran aid workers were on the ground 15 hours after the tsunami ravaged areas in Sri Lanka, Indonesia,



Photo by Austen Smith

The Rev. Doris Sparks took over as full-time pastor for Zion Lutheran Church in August of last year. Zion is located on Fletcher Road between Pleasant Lake and Scio church roads in Freedom Township.

Thailand and Malaysia.

Members of Zion are also chipping in as much as they can. Sparks says the church's quilting group is making six quilts that were donated to Lutheran World Relief.

The congregation's response to the tsunami disaster struck Sparks as something special and important.

"Usually you think with a rural congregation they might be interested in only maintaining themselves, but they have a much wider vision than that," Sparks said. "And that was one of

the things that really captured my heart about this church."

Sparks is looking forward to continuing on her journey with the church and its members. She likes the idea that she is fulfilling God's calling.

"Having the sense of being called to a place is very reassuring, knowing you're in the place where God wants you to be is comforting."

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Williams, a senior at CMU majoring in integrative public relations, is the daughter of Kim Mills and Mike Williams of Chelsea.

"Basically, we get to attend the party with many celebrities and athletes," Williams said in a press release. "We get to celebrate the release of the SI swimsuit issue before the party goes on tour through the United States and get a true taste of the SI

experience. The whole event is a fantastic networking experience."

Williams and CMU students Talia Mark of Mount Pleasant, Lindsay Mitchell of Riverview, Allison Tobin of Saginaw and Matthew McDonald of Coldwater will attend luncheons with top advertisers and the president of Sports Illustrated.

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PLAY REVIEW

'Boston Marriage' certainly worth a try

Opening with an illuminated birdcage, Performance Network's "Boston Marriage" shines a revealing light into the restricted enclosure of two antagonistic, vivacious women to unveil their dramatic and often hilarious lives.

Long known as one of the best local venues for edgy, contemporary theater, Performance Network maintains its distinguished position with an animated production of David Mamet's 20th-century reinvention of the 19th-century drawing room comedy.

Although the erudite "Boston Marriage" relies on Victorian theatrical conventions, the play's sensibilities are purely modern as David Mamet's dialogue crackles with caustic wit in the mouths of warring lovers brought to lush existence by Performance Network's electrifying young actors.

As the play's title and the glossary included in the playbill suggest, the play's central couple Anna and Claire are two 19th-century upper class, independent women romantically involved in a "Boston Marriage."

Using the ornate, chintz-infused set as a symbolic and literal cage for women whose love dare not speak its name, the play follows a conventional romantic comedic plot as each character attempts to engage in extramarital relationships even though their fit with each other is patently obvious.

Organized in three brief acts, the opening introduces the rancorous couple with Anna announcing that she has found a willing male financier and Claire indecorously asking if she can use Anna's home as a safe site for her seduction of a younger woman.

Comedic entanglements and vitriolic verbal spars ensue as "Boston Marriage" uses the eccentric couple to investigate the universal problem of lovers discovering the fine line between love and hate.

Characterized by his sparse, biting dialogue, Mamet might appear to digress in a verbose script that uses words such as



ANNA SZYMANSKI

"Rodomontade." Nevertheless, the elevated language is sparkling and works.

Bilking the exalted language for endless hilarity, Anna, a melodramatic figure akin to Nathan Lane in "The Birdcage," engages in such lengthy loquacious tirades that audience members will find themselves laughing as soon as Anna opens her mouth.

In her interactions with both her beloved Claire and her youthful Scottish maid whose name and nationality she repeatedly forgets, the bombastic Anna never relinquishes the spotlight, and the lush set seems slightly dimmer every time she exists the stage.

Those frequenting Performance Network's offerings over the past few years will be pleased to see the infinitely talented Carla Miloch give another standout performance in the role of Anna. With great comedic timing and complete control over the rapid-fire dia-

logue, Miloch makes the self-involved Anna not only droll but strangely endearing as audiences forgive her elitism and opportunism to cheer her on in her schemes to ensnare her cherished Claire.

Matching Anna in verbal warfare is Claire, the bachelor half of the dysfunctional marriage. Because she disregards Anna's obvious affection, Claire is not an entirely likable figure, but her sharp wit and surprising emotional weakness keeps the character intriguing and attractive.

As an emissary from the world outside the brocaded walls, the lusty Scottish maid Catherine represents the complex Victorian class system that both restricts Catherine because of her economic position while also allowing her greater societal freedom because of her heterosexual status.

"Boston Marriage" runs through Feb. 20 at Performance Network in Ann Arbor.

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

— SOUL SINGERS —



Beach Middle School and Chelsea High School choirs got a taste of music from other countries when a group called SOUL (Singers of United Lands) visited the schools Nov. 24. SOUL is a quartet of four professional young adult singers, each from a different country. Students enjoyed a musical performance and a discussion about the singers' different cultures. Choir Director Steve Hinz would like to have the group in Chelsea for a weeklong residency, which would culminate in a community performance of students singing with SOUL. Pictured are SOUL singers Marleen Van Der Weij (left) of the Netherlands, Nelly Todorova of Bulgaria, Nathan Ahimsa of Indonesia and Roberto Refrany of Peru.

DEXTER SCHOOLS

High school students to produce 'Blood Brothers'

Production replaces initial plans to present 'Fiddler on the Roof'

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

While the Dexter High School Drama Club was hoping to present the classic "Fiddler on the Roof," a change of plans will allow a lesser-known production to take center stage.

Students will produce Willy Russell's "Blood Brothers" April 14 through 17 at the Center for Performing Arts at Dexter High School.

Director Harry Wilcox, a drama teacher at the high school, announced on the first day of auditions in January that he had received a letter from Music Theatre International. The company denied the club rights to perform

"Fiddler on the Roof" because a professional touring company was planning to present the same production in Flint.

Production companies often deny rights to smaller groups who would be performing the same show within 75 miles of a professional touring company.

Whenever a high school drama club or community theater group performs a play, the first thing members must do is to apply for the rights to produce it. Rights are permission to perform a play granted from a publishing company that holds the copyright to the play and acts as the author's agent.

The groups also must pay royalties, which range from \$40 to 50 per performance for a non-musical to thousands of dollars for musicals. Most theater publishing companies also require a group to purchase scripts for the show.

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CHELSEA

Musical set Feb. 10-13

Young People's Theater will present "The Sound of Music" Feb. 10 through 13 at the George Prinzing Auditorium, 500 Washington St., at the Washington Street Education Center.

The musical tells the story of Maria, who proves too high-spirited for religious life and so is dispatched to serve as governess for the Von Trapp family.

The score includes musical classics such as "My Favorite Things," "Do-Re-Mi," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain" and some songs new to the "Sound of Music" movie buff.

This musical features a cast of 51 children, ages 6

through 17 from schools with Greg Jarrett as the across Ann Arbor and the musical director.

Shows are scheduled 8 p.m. Feb. 10, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 11 and 12, and 2 p.m. Feb. 13.

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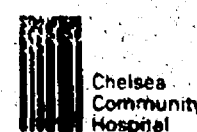
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MOVIE REVIEW

'In Good Company' has lessons for all

"Synergy," or the ability to synthesize all aspects of a company, initially appears as a harmless corporate term in the comedic morality play "In Good Company," but the film deciphers the economic doublespeak to reveal the human victims of industrial streamlining.

Critiquing the dehumanizing affects of modern corporate culture, the film from the "About a Boy" and "American Pie" director Paul Weitz takes a genuinely entertaining look at masculine identity in the age of multinational corporations and downsizing.

Even though the film falters in its outdated depiction of gender roles and its undiscriminating attack on modern society, the talent and charm of Topher Grace and Scarlett Johansson separate the film from comedic business as usual.

Centering on the parallel tales of Dan Foreman (Dennis Quaid), a vintage patriarch heading the advertising department of a sports magazine, and Carter Duryea (Topher Grace), the 26-year-old callow salesman who replaces him, "In Good Company" investigates the complicated relationship between men at different ends of the career

spectrum who share an uncertain view of the future.

On the same day that Foreman discovers his middle-age wife's pregnancy and his grown daughter's decision to transfer to costly New York University, he meets his new boss, a boy young enough to be his son and inexperienced enough to be his intern.

Adding to the drama of the generational clash, Duryea encounters Foreman's college-age daughter, Alex, in the company elevator, precipitating a romance that only adds to Foreman's feelings of obsolescence.

Even though the usurping Duryea symbolizes the problems of modern corporate culture, he is certainly not the villain in this surprisingly serious comedy, for Grace portrays him as a loving, confused youth who does not quite fit into the suit of an adult.

When he begins a romantic relationship with Foreman's daughter, brought to life with subtlety and youthful grace by the promising young actress Scarlett Johansson, Duryea is not a sophisticated seducer but a



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young man suffering from a broken family and an ill-fated matrimonial venture.

While the relationship between Duryea and Alex develops a bit too quickly through a musical ambulatory montage, both actors are able to successfully embody the insecurities and uncertainties of youth, thereby suggesting that the younger generation is not a uniformed heartless crew.

While Dennis Quaid makes Foreman an attractive and friendly character, he seems to be from an earlier, mythical time when men wanted nothing more than to support a wife and children in a large suburban home surrounded by a white picket fence.

If I did not know better, I would assume I was watching Quaid in 2002's "Far From Heaven," but Foreman lives not in the 1950s but in the year 2005. Herein lies the film's greatest fault, for instead of critiquing the specific problems of modernity, the film criticizes everything modern with equal vehemence, including sushi, modern archi-

ecture and, most disturbingly, working women.

Not only does the film continue a disquieting recent trend of unquestionably assuming that every married woman over 30 is a housewife, but it also repeatedly suggests that well-paid women emasculate their husbands.

Instead of celebrating the positive changes that have occurred since the 1950s, the film seems to suggest that society would be benefited by a reversion to the past.

Even though the film is much too quick to dismiss everything modern as cold and callous and is sadly outdated in its gender politics, "In Good Company" is an always engaging and often poignant tale of the lessons each subsequent generation can learn from its predecessor and the lessons we all can learn from recent economic downturns. In an age of outsourcing, downsizing, and corporate scandal, it is refreshing to see a film that suggests we consider the individuals who are often lost in the new global corporate universe.

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PRODUCE

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While members of the Dexter High School Drama Club are disappointed that they won't be able to perform "Fiddler on the Roof," they hope to still do so in the future. Nevertheless, they're happy with their choice in "Blood Brothers," a modern parable that tells a story of twins fatefully parted at birth — one boy to be raised in wealth and the other in poverty. The lives of each become inevitably bound together despite the mother's efforts to prevent their meeting.

It's a story in which class, destiny, superstition and love

collide in a riveting climax.

Russell was first commissioned to write the 40-minute play by Paul Harman's Merseyside Young People's Theater Co. "Blood Brothers" was first performed in 1981.

Russell then spent 1982 turning small-scale production of his play into a full-scale musical, revising the book, writing the lyrics and composing all the music himself. It opened at the Liverpool Playhouse in 1983.

From its successful Liverpool production, the play transferred to the Lyric Theater in London, where it became the musical hit of the season, winning three awards for its author/composer and one for its leading

actress/singer, Barbara Dickson.

"Blood Brothers" continues to draw crowds across the globe, from Broadway to Australia, and has become one of the longest running musicals in the west end of London, according to a press release from the drama club.

The musical received several Laurence Olivier awards in London, as well as six Tony nominations in 1993.

Dexter High School Drama Club will perform the musical April 14 through 17 at the Center for the Performing

Arts, 2200 N. Parker Road. Reserve seating tickets will be available in late February at the Country Market in Dexter.

The production following "Blood Brothers" will be a murder-mystery dinner theater presentation called "The Last Dance of Dr. Disco," which will be presented May 6 and 7 at Mill Creek Middle School. Tickets will be available during performances of "Blood Brothers."

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CHECK OUT OUR CLASSIFIEDS TODAY!

LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW VACANCIES

Lyndon Township currently has two vacancies on the Board of Review. The Board of Review meets three times in March, once in July, and once in December.

Lyndon Township is presently accepting letters from persons interested in serving on the Board of Review. Must be a Township Resident. Training is Provided.

Please send letters to: MaryAnn Noah, Supervisor, Lyndon Township, 17751 N. Territorial Rd., Chelsea, MI 48118. Or call for more information: (734) 475-2401. Publish: January 27, 2005 & February 3, 2005.

CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR AMENDED FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL

An application has been filed by SHERIDAN BOOKS of 613 E. INDUSTRIAL DRIVE, CHELSEA for an Amended Final Site Plan approval of a proposed EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING INDUSTRIAL FACILITY on the following described parcel of land:

TAX CODE: # 06-06-12-250-013/017 & 018
613 E. Industrial Dr., Chelsea, MI

The application for Amended Final Site Plan Approval will be considered by the Chelsea Planning Commission on Tuesday, February 15, 2005 at 7:30p.m. in the Board Room, Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, MI.

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. MAIN ST. STE. 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

A public hearing on the Amended Final Site Plan will be held, if requested in writing by any property owner or occupant within three hundred (300) feet of the boundary of the property being considered.

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

CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Chris Rode, Chair

Publish: February 3, 2005

DEXTER TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI 48130

AGENDA

1) 04-01-108-018
04-ZBA-599B
Richard Naylor/Greg Koepp
9818 Portage Lake Ave
Applicant requests relief from:
Section 18.23.A to allow a 33' setback from new construction to Portage Lake Ave. (50' Req. and presently only 7.9' from existing home to Portage Lake Ave.)
Section 12.02.E.3.b. To allow a 6.5' Setback on both the North and South side of new home to property line. (7' required)
Sections 18.22A to allow a front and rear elevation of 25' where 26' is required.

2) 04-06-286-001
04-ZBA-601
Thomas Prose
9485 Lakeview Drive
Applicant requests relief from:
Section 18.23.A to allow a 42' setback on the North side of property to proposed deck. (50' req)
Also to allow a 10.3' East Side setback from the Easement to the new garage.
Section 12.01.E.3.C to allow a 15' setback on the West Side to proposed deck. (30' req)
Also to allow a 15' setback on the South side to new home.
Section 12.02.E.4. To allow 27.2% lot coverage where 25% is allowed.

3) 04-18-210-009
04-ZBA-600
Robert Rock/Eugene McKee
13953 Gilbert Drive
Applicant requests relief from:
Section 18.23.B to allow a 19'9" setback from the edge of North Lake to the new deck.
Section 12.02.E.3.c. To allow a 13'7" setback from rear property line to new deck.
Section 12.02.E.3.b to allow a 1'6" setback on the East Side and a 2' setback on the West Side from property line to side of new deck.

4) 04-02-403-025
05-ZBA 602
Robert and Kathy Lane
9558 Winston Drive
Applicant requests relief from:
Section 18.23.A to allow an 8'6" setback from new addition to Winston Drive. (Workshop)
To allow a 15' setback to Dexter-Pinckney Road from new addition. (Workshop)
To allow 42' from new attached garage to Dexter-Pinckney road.
To allow a 0' setback from Winston Drive to new attached garage.
Section 18.23.B to allow a 30.5' setback from new home to Portage Lake.
To allow a 28' setback from new deck to Portage Lake.
Section 12.02 to allow an 8'6" setback on the South side of new attached garage to side property line. (10' required)

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CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL

An application has been filed by METTA LANSDALE of the CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY for Final Site Plan approval of a proposed DISTRICT LIBRARY on the following described parcel of land:

TAX CODE: # FC 06-06-12-402-017
06-06-12-402-019
221 S. Main St., Chelsea

The application for Final Site Plan Approval will be considered by the Chelsea Planning Commission on Tuesday, February 15, 2005 at 7:30p.m. in the Board Room, Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, MI.

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. MAIN ST. STE. 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

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CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Chris Rode, Chair

Publish: February 3, 2005

CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR AMENDED FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL

An application has been filed by Pulte Land Development of Heritage Pointe for an Amended Final Site Plan approval of proposed Landscaping Changes for the Subdivision Entryway on the following described parcel of land:

TAX CODE: #GC 07-07-225-003
Dexter Chelsea Road at Savannah Lane

The application for Amended Final Site Plan Approval will be considered by the Chelsea Planning Commission on Tuesday, February 15, 2005 at 7:30p.m. in the Board Room, Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, MI.

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

A public hearing on the Amended Final Site Plan will be held, if requested in writing by any property owner or occupant within three hundred (300) feet of the boundary of the property being considered.

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CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Chris Rode, Chair

Publish: February 3, 2005

VILLAGE OF DEXTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at the Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street, Dexter, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the following variance application:

The applicant, Mary Pierce, 3215 Central Street is requesting a variance from Section 5.03, Parking Space Numerical Requirements, to permit a property split from 3225 Central Street, which will result in the property not meeting the required parking spaces for an office use in the Village Commercial District. Section 5.03 requires all general office buildings provide three (3) parking spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area.

Information regarding the application is available for public inspection at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street, Dexter, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or by phone at (734) 426-8303 Ext. 15. Written comments regarding this project should be submitted to the Village Community Development Office, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 15, 2005. Sign language interpreter, or other assistance, is provided upon request to the Clerk, at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Minutes of all meetings are available at Village Hall.

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VILLAGE OF DEXTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals has rescheduled the December 20, 2004 public hearing, to Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street, Dexter, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the following variance applications:

1) The applicant, Daniel and Jeanine Fletcher, are requesting a variance for the vacant property described as HD-03-31-476-001 and HD-03-31-476-002. The variance is requested from Section 3.09, Streets, Roads and other means of access; Section A, which states the following: In all districts, every use, building, or structure established after the date of this Ordinance shall be on a lot or parcel which adjoins a public street, such street right-of-way to be at least sixty (60) feet in width unless a lesser width has been established and recorded prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. This provision does not include alleys. The applicant is requesting the variance to permit access to the properties off of a right-of-way that is not at least sixty (60) feet in width.

2) The applicant, Christopher Schroeder, is requesting a variance for the property located at 3225 Central Street, HD-06-06-127-005. The variance is requested from Section 3.09, Streets, Roads and other means of access, Section A, which states the following: In all districts, every use, building, or structure established after the date of this Ordinance shall be on a lot or parcel which adjoins a public street, such street right-of-way to be at least sixty (60) feet in width unless a lesser width has been established and recorded prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. This provision does not include alleys. The applicant is requesting the variance to permit access to the properties off of a right-of-way that is not at least sixty (60) feet in width.

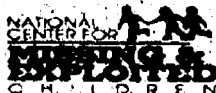
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MUSM: miss you so much
BF: boyfriend
OLL: online love
POS: parent over shoulder
WTGP: want to go private?
LMIRL: let's meet in real life
HDOP: help delete online predators

1 in 5 children is sexually solicited online.

You don't know what your kids are saying online. Or who they are saying it to. A lot of times, neither do they. So get involved. To protect your kid's online life or report an incident, call 1-800-THE LOST or visit cybertipline.com.



HDOP: help delete online predators

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the western Wayne and Oakland counties, a BraveHeart Grief Center in Northville, development and expansion of the agency's home health services, pediatric hospice care, and enhanced end-of-life education and related care delivery services throughout the region.

"During her six years at the helm of Arbor Hospice, Markey Butler has brought her commitment, knowledge, leadership and vision to the organization, directing it through difficult times to its current status as a leader in the provision of high quality hospice care and positioning it on solid foundation for continuing success in the future," said John Martin, chairman of Arbor Hospice & Home Care's board of directors. "We recognize, appreciate and are grateful for Markey's outstanding contributions."

Over the course of the next few months, Butler will continue to work with Arbor Hospice's staff and community leadership team to complete the goals and objectives related to the agency's strategic plan, including the further growth of its capital fund-raising campaign in conjunction with The Arbor Hospice Foundation.

In fall of 2004, The Arbor Hospice Foundation launched a major fundraising initiative in support of the ongoing programs and services of Arbor Hospice, led by well-known community leader and foundation Chairman Joe Fitzsimmons.

"Markey Butler has done an excellent job over the last five-plus years in developing Arbor Hospice into the premier 'residence/support' organization for end-of-life care in our community,"

Fitzsimmons said.

"In addition, she has put the agency on a firm financial footing and fostered strong, positive relationships in the community. Although she will be missed, Arbor Hospice is on a solid foundation with a strategic plan to continue its wonderful care and growth into the future."

Arbor Hospice's board is moving forward with the engagement of an executive search firm to appoint Butler's successor. A board-appointed committee comprised of executive staff and board leadership will lead the search process for a new CEO.

In the immediate term, Butler will be developing, with members of the Executive Committee of the Arbor Hospice board and the executive management staff of Arbor Hospice, a transition plan for the change in CEO leadership.

Subsequent to her retirement, Butler will be relocating with retired Ford executive and husband of 36 years, Gerald Butler, to her home in Snowmass Village, Colo.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed my past six years with Arbor Hospice and treasure the communities and staff who are so dedicated to the mission of this phenomenal institution," she said.

"Leaving the community that I so dearly love, coupled with the passion I have for this wonderful organization, will no doubt be one of the greatest challenges of my life, but one that I will ultimately meet with great satisfaction knowing that Arbor Hospice makes a difference in the lives of individuals in need each and every day, and will continue for many, many years to come."

Since 1984, Arbor Hospice & Home Care has helped the terminally ill and their families throughout the region.

— MANY TREASURES —



Claire Choszyk of Dexter looks at the toys and tries on a cowboy hat at a rummage sale at Dexter United Methodist Church.

Photo by Rita Fischer

DEXTER

Local resident named to post

Emily Elliott of Dexter has joined United Bank & Trust as a senior mortgage loan originator.

As senior mortgage loan originator, Elliott, a graduate of Eastern Michigan University, will work with people looking for home loans, as well as real estate agents and builders. She also will assist clients with refinancing their homes and provide advice about home equity products.

Elliott has more than 10

years of experience in the mortgage lending industry within the Washtenaw County area. She is an active member of the Ann Arbor Board of Realtors and the Home Builders' Association of Washtenaw County. She will be based at United's Ann Arbor office.

United Bank & Trust is a full service bank in Washtenaw County with offices in Ann Arbor, Dexter, Manchester and Saline.

DEXTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE TESTING OF VOTING EQUIPMENT

To the qualified electors of the Township of Dexter, notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of MCL 168.794a(3), the Dexter Township Clerk will conduct a PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST of the voting equipment to be used in the February 22nd, 2005, Special Election. The test will be conducted on Tuesday, February 15th, 2005, at 10:00 A.M. at the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI 48130. Interested members of the public are invited to observe this Public Accuracy Test. Please contact the Clerk's office with any questions (734-426-3767).

Harley B. Rider, Clerk
Dexter Township

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CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF ACCURACY TEST

An Accuracy Test of the computer to be used for ballot tabulation of the vote for the Special Election will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2005, at 3:30 p.m. in the following location: Clerk's Office, Chelsea City Offices, 305 S. Main Street, Chelsea, Michigan.

Notice is given pursuant to Michigan Election Law, Section 168.798.

CITY OF CHELSEA
Teresa Burch
Chelsea City Clerk

Publish: February 3, 2005

CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL

An application has been filed by STEVEN FISHER of CHELSEA INVESTMENT GROUP for Final Site Plan approval of a proposed PHASE III, HERITAGE POINT CONDOMINIUM on the following described parcel of land:

TAX CODE: # Part of 6-07-06-360-004 and Part of 06-07-06-400-001
24.33 acres North of Dexter-Chelsea Road,
East of Taylor Lane

The application for Final Site Plan Approval will be considered by the Chelsea Planning Commission on Tuesday, February 15, 2005 at 7:30p.m. in the Board Room, Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, MI.

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. MAIN ST. STE. 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

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CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Chris Rode, Chair

Publish: February 3, 2005

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD JANUARY 4, 2005 AT 7 P.M. IN THE SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL, 18027 OLD US 12, CHELSEA, MI 48118

The following board members were present: Supervisor Williams, Clerk Koch, Treasurer Grau, Trustees Merkel and Solo.

Also present Scott Baird, Paul Kaimbach, Gregg Simon of Jones & Henry, Jamie Bollinger, Richard Bollinger, Jeff Gunnis, Paul Bollinger, Tom Caplis, Ray Steinbach, Don Schoenberg, Tom and Teri Bareis, David Brooks, Mike Swartz of Plante & Moran, Earl Heller, Corinne Sikorski, Trent and Barb. Satterthwaite, Jim Neiderheide, Scott Cooper, Ann Feeney, Reuben Lesser, Brian Koch, Steve Ricci, Chelsea Standard, Cheng Peng, Ann Arbor News.

Meeting was called to order and the pledge recited.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Merkel to approve minutes as presented. Carried.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to pay bills as presented. Carried. Motion by Merkel, seconded by Grau to amend the agenda to add under New Business the 3/31/04 financial statements.

No public hearings.

Public participation: Brian Koch spoke regarding the recent article in the Chelsea Standard regarding Board of Review asking it to be reprinted for correction of errors. Ask Williams if he could help get the correct facts printed in the articles and ask the reporter to send to members of the board articles for fact checking. Williams stated he would ask for fact checking articles from Ricci.

David Brooks stated that the past board violated the Open Meetings Act several times in the past and that it will be proven at this meeting tonight. Zoning Inspector Lange reported 2 zoning permits, 2 certificate of occupancy and 1 waiver were issued in December. In 2004 there were 131 permits issued and in 2003 only 61 permits were issued.

Reports:

Supervisor Williams reported on attending the County Supervisors meeting and discussing the upcoming jail millage election also presented the board with a 5 page memo issued by himself and addresses his personal views of the Sylvan Township Sewer and Water Authority, including a memo to Jerry Dresselhouse, Chair of the Sewer & Water Authority dated 12/27/04. The memo is broken down into three categories: Financial, Organizational and Operational. The memos will be part of the minutes. Discussion occurred with several public comments regarding personal views vs. board views. Gregg Simon of Jones & Henry interjected several times to correct the issues being discussed. Simon also stated that the Water Treatment plant was not 100% operational and still is not. The RO system is projected to be running by April of 2005.

Clerk Koch reported being in receipt of an FOIA request from David Brooks requesting all FOIA requests received by the Township from September through December of 2004.

Treasurer Grau stated that there was no MTA Chapter meeting to report on.

Trustee Solo reported that the Sylvan Township Website is up and running; at this time not a whole lot of information on it, but looking to add meeting dates of all boards/commissions and its members, looking for historical data and adding links to other governmental agencies.

Trustee Merkel reported on the Citizens Advisory Committee is moving along, next meeting on February 9th and reported on the Planning Commission meeting.

No old business.

New business: Mike Swartz of Plante & Moran was present to discuss the 3-31-04 Financial Statements in which Supervisor Williams claims are reported incorrectly in regards to the Water Treatment Plant being operational vs. construction prior to the Township's 3-31-04 year end. Williams also indicated to the Auditors that information was not provided intentionally by Clerk and therefore the financial statements are misrepresented. Auditors responded there was not client misrepresentation and financial statements were prepared to their satisfaction. The discussion followed regarding the potable water which has been permitted by the MDEQ versus the softened water which has not been permitted by MDEQ. Therefore the plant was not 100 percent operational at year end. Swartz indicated that he could either way but it was the Township's call, but from the invoices he has seen the financial statements could be revised and the Plante & Moran would revise the statements without cost to the Township. Motion by Merkel, seconded by Solo to revise statements. Carried with 1 descending vote.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Williams to give authority to Koch to sign a

contract with Plante & Moran for accounting services. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Merkel to approve election workers for the February 22, 2005 Special Election. Carried.

Supervisor Williams asked the next 2 agenda items, Planning Commission appointment and Zoning Board of Appeal appointments be combined and have become victims of the calendar and to not achieve the appointments at this meeting. Treasurer Grau requested the two appointments be separated as indicated on the agenda. The Planning Commission appointment was a vacant seat and Tom Bareis' term was up in January 2005. Williams stated he would be to solve the larger planning issues next month bringing environmental, legal, and engineer strengths to broaden the representation of the group and would like to proceed with appointing a 7 member planning commission. Therefore Williams was going to bring forth next month his recommendation for the 7 member board with re-appointing Tom Bareis, filling the vacant seat and now two additional seats with Tom Caplis, Jim Neiderheide and Hector Gonzolas. Trustee Solo supported the idea of an expanded board. Trustee Merkel stated he would like to see Williams and Solo sit back for 6 months and see how things work and bring it up again, it appears 5 member board is working just fine. Clerk Koch pointed out that if Bareis' name was to be brought forth next month then why not reappoint Bareis at this meeting. Koch also pointed out that in order to appoint a 7 member board the Ordinance would need to be amended as it is stated only a 5 member board at this time. The change in the Ordinance could not be made by the next Township Board meeting and again asking for Bareis' reappointment at this meeting. Motion by Solo, seconded by Grau to reappoint Tom Bareis to Planning Commission for a 3-year term. The vacant seat which was created by the resignation of Bob Lange in December 2004. Williams ask Lange to extend his term until the February board meeting.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Koch to reappoint Ray Steinbach and Linda Hahn to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3 year term. Carried. There remains a vacant seat due to the resignation of Mary Anne Mangelsen in December.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Merkel to send Don Schoenberg and Walter Hahn, members of the Board of Review to an MTA BOR Training Session in February. Carried.

Chelsea Area Fire Authority's Joint Building Authority and its Budget was presented to the Board. The Board took no official action on either item, however recommended the CAFA representative Reuben Lesser take back to the CAFA that the budget is acceptable and the Joint Building Authority discussions should continue with 2 separate millages in mind.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to accept the 2005 Holiday schedule for Sylvan Township offices. Carried.

Supervisor Williams brought to the attention of the Board that there were no terms up for appointment on the Sylvan Township Sewer and Water Authority Board, however Williams offered himself up for appointment for cost savings purposes and a better handle on information from the Authority. Trustee Merkel stated he was not in favor of changing any appointments. Clerk Koch stated that Williams could share information with the Authority without holding a seat on the Authority and also that Williams has difficulties with the Chair and Secretary/Treasurer of the Authority and it would not be in the best interest of the Township to make any changes. Williams stated he not only would like the seat on the Authority but the position of Secretary/Treasurer on the Authority Board. Williams made a motion to appoint himself to the Authority. That motion was seconded by Trustee Solo for purposes of discussion. The question was asked that someone would have to step down to vacate a seat to appoint himself to the Authority. Williams restated his motion to ask that Clerk Koch, the Township Board representative to the Authority to step down from the Authority and appoint himself to replace Koch. Trustee Solo called the move "really divisive" and suggested that this not go forward. Williams withdrew his motion. There were no changes to the Sylvan Township Sewer and Water Authority Board.

Motion by Merkel, seconded by Grau to approve the Resolution for the Skidmore Land Division. Roll call vote. Carried.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Solo to adjourn.

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk

Publish: February 3, 2005

CITY OF CHELSEA PLANNING COMMISSION

The Chelsea Planning Commission will meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. during 2005. All meetings will be held at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea.

The Planning Commission work sessions will meet the 1st Tuesday of each month as needed at 7:00 p.m. and are held in the Chelsea City Offices. Any change in this schedule or meeting place will be published or posted.

CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

Chris Rode, Chair

Publish: February 3, 2005

CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE

The Chelsea School District will conduct two public hearings on February 14th, 2005

February 28th, 2005

from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

at the Chelsea School District Administration Office
500 Washington Street
Chelsea, MI

This meeting is to present the following to the community:

1. Revised Instructional Resource for Grade 5
2. Revised Instructional Resource for Grade 6
3. Revised Instructional Objective(s) for Grade 6

Publish: February 3, February 10, February 17 and February 24, 2005

VILLAGE OF DEXTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Council will hold a public hearing Monday, February 14, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Center - 7720 Dexter-Ann Arbor Street, Dexter, Michigan for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding a proposed Water and Sewer Rate increase.

Water Rates	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
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Turn-on and Turn-off Charges	\$25	\$25
Meter Calibration Charge	\$25	\$25
Water Only Meter 1 inch	\$175	\$175

A copy of the proposed resolution is available at the Dexter Village Office located at 8123 Main Street, Dexter, MI.

Donna Detting
Village Manager
Dexter, MI 48130.

Publish: February 3, 2005

DEATHS

JANE BELSER WOLF

Jane Belser Wolf, 86, of Chelsea, formerly of Flossmoor, Ill., died Jan. 30, 2005, at Chelsea Community Hospital. She was born July 26, 1918, in Detroit, the daughter of Paul P. and Esther Mary (Schenk) Belser.

Mrs. Wolf grew up in Chelsea and maintained a residence in Chelsea all her life. Upon the death of her husband, she returned home to Chelsea to be with friends and family.

Mrs. Wolf and her husband, Bernard, were longtime members of Ravislee Country Club in Home-



wood, Ill., and the Tuscon National Country Club in Tucson, Ariz. She was treasurer and a lifetime member of the University of Chicago Mother's Aid Organization, as well as an avid supporter of University of Michigan football.

On July 22, 1944, she married her husband, who preceded her in death Jan. 5, 2004.

Mrs. Wolf was a devoted wife for 59 years, as well as a loving and

devoted mother and grandmother.

Survivors include her children, Jonathan (Joan) of Chelsea, Deborah (David) Allen of Smyrna, Ga., and David (Nancy) of Chicago; and her beloved grandchildren, Jason, Joseph and Jeremy Wolf, and Jessica and Robert Allen, and Caroline and Peter Wolf.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Fritz Belser.

A funeral was held Tuesday at Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea. The Rev. Barbara Wright and Peter Flinto officiated. Private burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea.

Memorial contributions may be

made to Chelsea Community Hospital, Faith in Action, or the charity of one's choice.

HERBERT SCHWARZ

Herbert Schwarz, 53, of Dexter died Jan. 27, 2005, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. He was born Oct. 5, 1951, in Stuttgart, Germany.

Mr. Schwarz was the loving father of Irene and Dennis Schwarz. Both survive.

Also surviving are his former wife, Marlies; brother, Helmut Schwarz; his parents; and many friends.

A memorial service will be held 1 p.m. Saturday at Hosmer-Muehl-

Funeral Chapel in Dexter. The family will receive visitors at the funeral home from 11 a.m. until the time of service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

WALDO DANIEL LUCKHARDT

Waldo Daniel Luckhardt, 87, of Dexter died Jan. 30, 2005, at Arbor Hospice. He was born March 20, 1917, in Saline, the son of Ernest and Lula (Klein) Luckhardt.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Alice; one great-granddaughter; and four brothers, Roy,

Larry, Robert and Wesley Luckhardt. He is survived by brother, Leo (Lorena) Luckhardt; sister, Lois Hieber; four sons, Karl (Evelyn), Richard (Debbie), Lamar (Pat) and Earl (Connie) Luckhardt; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; ex-wife and good friend, Berntha Luckhardt; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held yesterday at Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel in Dexter. The Rev. Mark Porinsky officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice.

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Emily Hardcastle of Chelsea joins Cassy and Elly Mioduszewski and Sarah Breuninger as they put more pillows on the pile to send to Chelsea Community Hospital.

DEXTER-CHELSEA

Local 4-H'ers pour their hearts into craft project

Pillows will be given to patients at Chelsea Community Hospital

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

More than 60 youngsters and their parents made pillows last week in the shape of a heart as part of a project organized by Rogers Corners Herdsmen 4-H Club.

The group joined together Sunday night at the Chelsea Community Fairgrounds to stuff and complete some 100 pillows. Members of the club spent about three weeks on the project, selecting fabric, cutting out heart shapes and sewing them together.

On Sunday, they held a "stuffing party," filling each pillow with one bag of stuffing each. Kids and parents took the multi-colored heart cases and stuffed them as others took up needle and thread, sewing the pillows shut.

The project is among several service projects that the 4-H'ers will do this year.

The pillows will be given to patients at Chelsea Community Hospital who have heart or abdominal surgery. The pillows for heart patients are hard because they have to cough and they hold the pillows tight to ease the pain from coughing.

Holly Wingler of Dexter was among the youngsters to make the pillows.

"They are fun to make, and it's fun to be with friends and to do something to help others who are in the hospital," she said.

The idea was introduced after Elaine Feldkamp of Manchester attended a 4-H conference at Kettunen Center in Tustin. She thought that it would be a fun and simple project for the kids as they learn sewing and how to work together on a large scale.

"I enjoy giving the youth new community service proj-

ects to sew," she said. "I enjoy sharing the ideas and I am always looking for any sewing ideas that will help the community."

The pillows will be delivered to Chelsea Community Hospital in the next month so patients can have them by Valentine's Day.

Kathy Mason, who works in the intensive care unit at

Chelsea Community Hospital, is looking forward to receiving the pillows and is grateful the kids thought of Chelsea hospital.

"It's a way for the kids in 4-H to give back to their community and keep them involved," she said.

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

DEATHS

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KENNETH C. McCALLA

Chelsea

Kenneth Charles McCalla, 51, of Chelsea died Jan. 28, 2005, in Gaylord as the result of injuries suffered in a snowmobile accident. He was born June 30, 1953, in Ann Arbor, the son of Ralph and Elaine (Rohrer) McCalla.

Mr. McCalla owned McCalla Feeds, where he worked his entire life. He had been president of the Chelsea Community Fair Board since 1990 and a board member for 20 years.

Mr. McCalla was an active livestock buyer at many fairs. He was a member of the Chelsea Rod and Gun Club. He also was active in 4-H his entire life.

Mr. McCalla loved bowling, golfing and snowmobiling.

On Feb. 15, 1974, he married Susan C. Cobb at St. Mary Catholic Church, and she survives.

Other survivors include his mother, Elaine of Chelsea; his son, Eric of Grass Lake; his daughter, Amy (Kurt VanLente) McCalla of Wyoming, Mich.; three sisters, Nancy (Dennis) Brewer of Ann Arbor, Carol (Jim) Bibbie of Ann Arbor and Kathy (Roderick) Powers of Chelsea; two brothers, Richard (Terri) McCalla of Chelsea and Howard (Doreen) McCalla of Chelsea; and many other family members.

He was preceded in death by his father.

A funeral was held yesterday at the First United Methodist Church in Chelsea. The Rev. Joy Barrett officiated. Burial followed at Oak Grove East Cemetery in Chelsea.

The family received friends Monday and Tuesday at Cole Funeral Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chelsea Community Fair.

ROBERT AUGUSTUS STEGER

Chelsea

Robert Augustus "Gus" Steger, 63, of Chelsea died Jan. 27, 2005, at Chelsea Community Hospital. He was born Aug. 27, 1941, in Ann Arbor, the son of William Arnold and Catherine (Canfield) Steger.

Mr. Steger lived in Chelsea all of his life. His family has lived in Chelsea for four generations on both sides.

He graduated from Chelsea High School in 1959 and the University of Michigan in 1964. He was a certified public accountant for more than 40 years, and was active in Alcoholics Anonymous for more than 20 years.

Mr. Steger married Julia "Julie" Metcalfe in Chelsea May 7, 1993, and she survives. Other survivors include his mother, Catherine Steger of Chelsea; two sons, Robert A.



Steger II and Michael J. Steger, both of Chelsea; a sister, Susan (Richard) Johnson of Ann Arbor; and two nieces, Kristin

and Britt Johnson.

Mr. Steger was preceded in death by his father in 1982.

The funeral Mass was celebrated Monday at St. Mary Catholic Church. A private followed at J.R. Moore Cemetery on Werkner Road in Chelsea.

The family received friends at Cole Funeral Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or St. Mary Catholic Church.

The God Gene?

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Over three months ago Time Magazine ran a cover story based on research by molecular biologist Dean Hamer. Hamer suggested that belief in God, and spirituality in general, is directly connected with a person's genetic make-up, and has probably developed over the ages through the process of evolution.

Of course, this is not the first such suggestion. For years researchers have sought genetic explanations for criminal behavior, sexual orientation, and other tendencies.

This brings us back to the old nature/nurture debate: Are our behaviors and beliefs developed more because of our genetic make-up, or mainly because of the way we're brought up and the influences we are exposed to?

Personally, although I do not deny the influence of biology and genetics, I lean strongly on the side of nurture. I firmly believe that the way a person is brought up is the primary influence on the person they become. Of course, this places a great burden on parents and caregivers. Raising children is not only a matter of teaching, but example; and it's so easy to communicate the wrong things to children, even unintentionally. Nevertheless, parents at the very least are held account-

able for bringing up their children in the training and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4).

I also believe God has given people free will, and, like you, I know of plenty of children who seem to have had great Christian upbringing and appear to have lacked nothing genetically, but still have lost their way in life.

On the other hand, poor genetics and upbringing does not necessarily doom a person. The Lord can overcome all obstacles and bring a person to know the love and forgiveness He offers in His Son Jesus Christ.

The Bible does not accept either nature or nurture as an excuse for unbelief or ungodliness. But the Bible offers forgiveness and hope for anyone who's gone astray. So if you've got good genes or bad, good upbringing or not, the Lord has a place for you, and so do we at Faith Lutheran Church.

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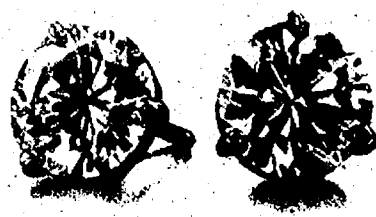
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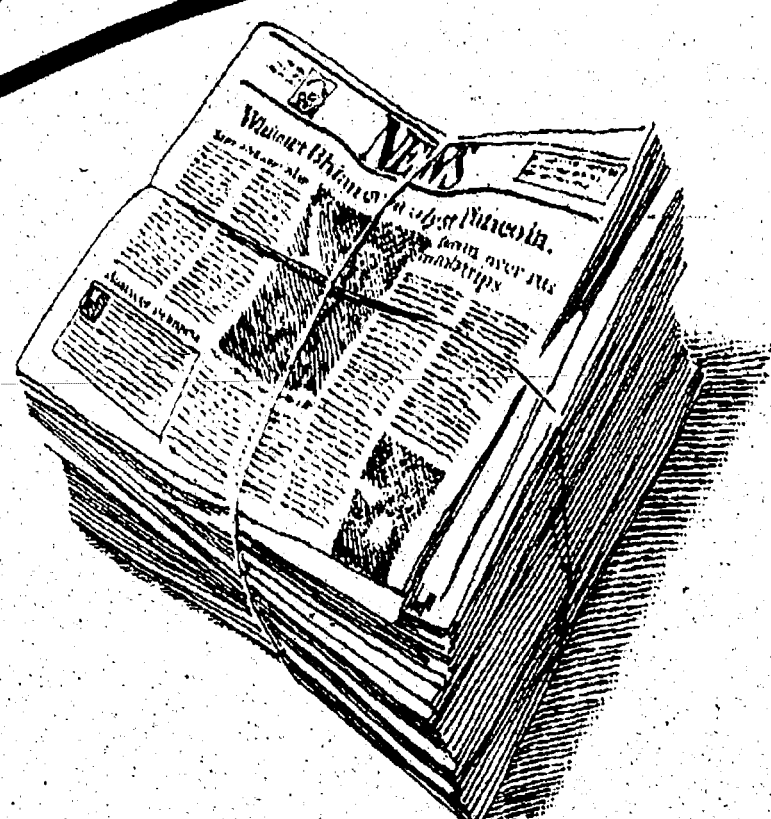
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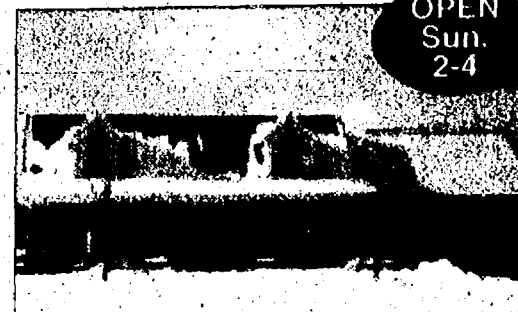
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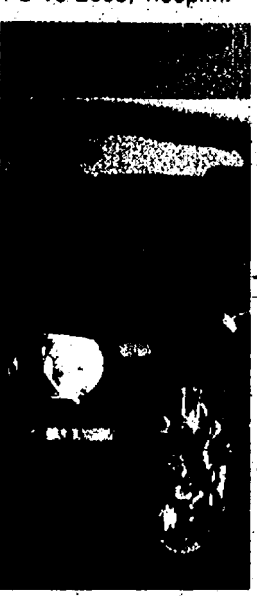
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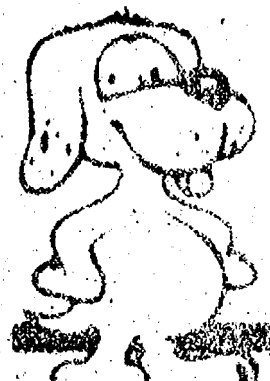
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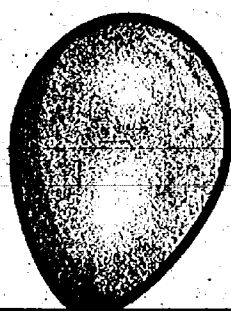
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