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CHELSEA AREA

Fire Board approves changes

Officials OK new
staffing structure,
reorganization

By Michelle Rogers
Editor

Change is in store at the Chelsea Area Fire Authority and not everyone likes it, but new Fire Chief James Payeur says it's about time.

The Chelsea Area Fire Board approved a change Jan. 31 from the current

WHAT'S DO YOU THINK?

What do you think of the fire department changing to a full-time operation, eliminating seven part-time officer positions and creating six full-time posts? E-mail editor@chelseastandard.com.

is similar to what he implemented during the early 1990s in Pittsfield Township, where he worked as a fire marshal and assistant fire chief. He left the position in 2003 to become fire chief of the Allouez Fire Department near Green Bay, Wis., before he was hired in Chelsea late last year as the Fire Authority's first full-time

chief.

The restructuring will result in six full-time firefighter positions, including three captains, plus one part-time assistant chief. Currently, the fire department operates with two part-time assistant chiefs, six part-time officers and 37 paid on-call firefighters, in addition to a full-time chief.

The new system will have one firefighter and a captain assigned to three platoons made up of the 37 paid-on-call firefighters.

"That will help streamline administration of the organization in terms of their direct supervision," Payeur said.

In addition, it will give the fire department more control over the number of firefighters who respond to an "all-call."

"So, we're going to take that number down," he said. "Those emergencies we can do with fewer people. We will do it with our full-time people or a platoon response."

He also said the move, which will include a mid-night shift, should cut response time in half, from an average of 13 minutes between 8 a.m. and midnight to six or seven minutes.

The full-time personnel will be responsible for emergency fire and medical calls; facility, equipment and apparatus.

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Chelsea Mayor Ann Feeney addresses a crowd Jan. 27 as part of Chelsea District Library's Topping Off ceremony. The ceremony, traditionally held by construction workers between groundbreaking and grand opening, allowed those in attendance to sign the final steel beam before it was set in place on top of the new library structure on Main Street. The beam was then ordered up by third-graders from Pierce Lake Elementary School.

CHELSEA SCHOOLS

Forum gathers feedback on proposal

Parents speak against full-day,
everyday kindergarten

By Erin Ryder
Special Writer

Several parents spoke against Chelsea School District's proposed change to full-day, everyday kindergarten at a community forum held Feb. 2.

Though the plan has been tabled indefinitely because of predicted financial strain in coming years, parents

were still adamant that the proposal left too little time at home for the district's youngest students.

"I treasure those first five years," said Sarah Sauers, mother of a current kindergartner, as well as a 2-year-old. "With an every-other-day schedule, you still have your child. I like every other day because he has time to debrief. We can talk about school and he doesn't feel so rushed."

Sauers was among several parents at the meeting who said they would home-school or switch to private schools before sending their children to a full-time kindergarten system.

According to Shawn Lewis-Lakin, the district's director of student achievement, the motivating factor behind the switch is to help balance the academic aspect of kindergarten with the traditional kindergarten activities designed to promote social and emotional growth.

With standardized testing now a requirement at the beginning of third grade, rather than the end of fourth, the pressure is on early educators to emphasize academics earlier so that schools are not stamped with failing grades.

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CHELSEA

An inspiration

Shauna Mote earns SADD's Living Legacy Award

By Erin Ryder
Special Writer

In the year since Shauna Mote lost her legs in a drunken driving accident, the Chelsea resident has focused on the positive: her survival, recovery, and her new ability to educate and advocate.

For inspiring others and moving beyond her tragic accident, Mote was recently awarded the Living Legacy Award by the Students Against Destructive Decisions group at Chelsea High School. As the honoree, Mote will be speaking Monday at the Chelsea Board of Education meeting.

The Living Legacy honoree is a person or surviving family member who has been

affected by a destructive decision, who is willing to help the community by raising awareness and who has the courage to overcome and continue with life.

Chelsea High School sophomore Ryan Schroeder nominated Mote, who he describes as being like a second mother to him.

Schroeder has known Mote and her family

for about five years through Boy Scouts and school.

"When I first heard about her accident, how she was recovering, and then when we first got to see her, I was so impressed by her attitude," he said. "She was just like before. She always kept herself thinking positively."

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■ **Special presentation set at library:** Chelsea District Library and One World One Family will present "Katrina's Healthcare Crisis for the New Orleans Middle Class and Working Poor" 7 p.m. Feb. 16.

The program is part of the library's Chelsea Reads Together program. It's free and no registration is required. For more information, call 475-8732.

■ **Senior center to host author:** Cynthia Furlong Reynolds, author of "Our Home: America's History as Seen Through a Midwestern Village," a book about history, will speak 10 a.m. Friday at the Senior Center as part of a program "Chelsea Memories." The program is \$10. Refreshments will be served. For information, call 475-9242.

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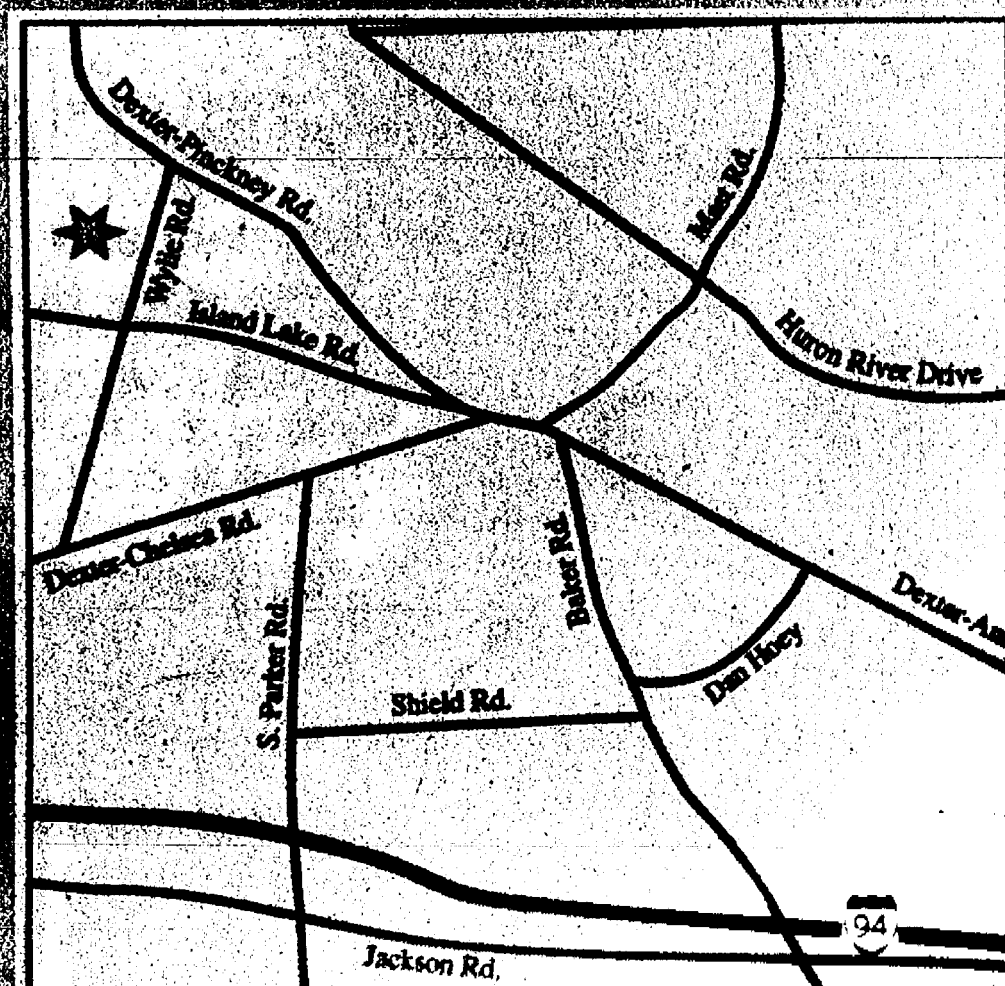
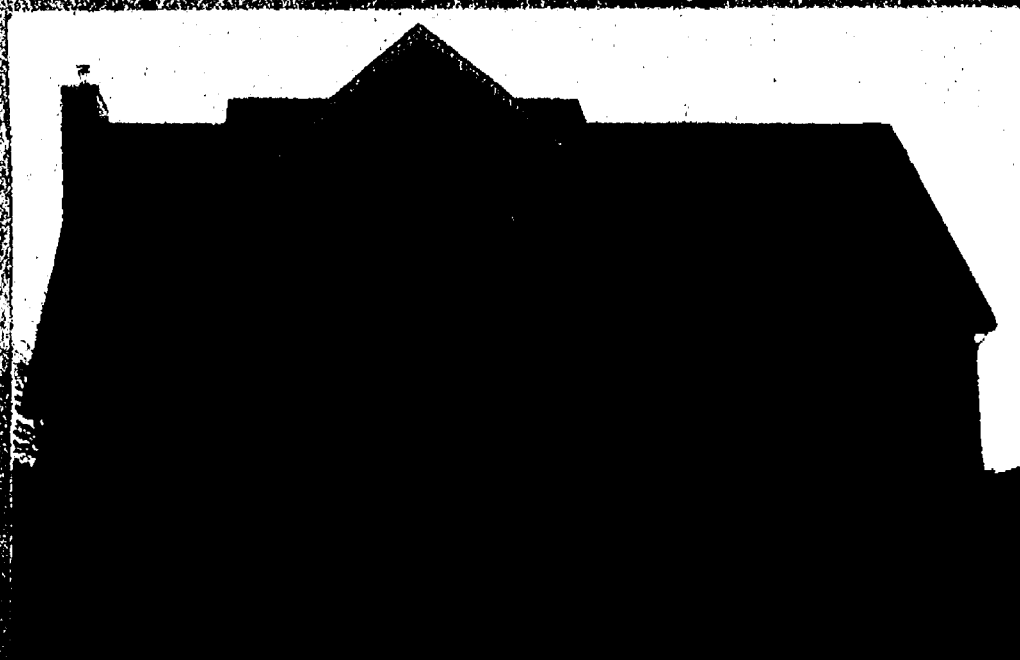
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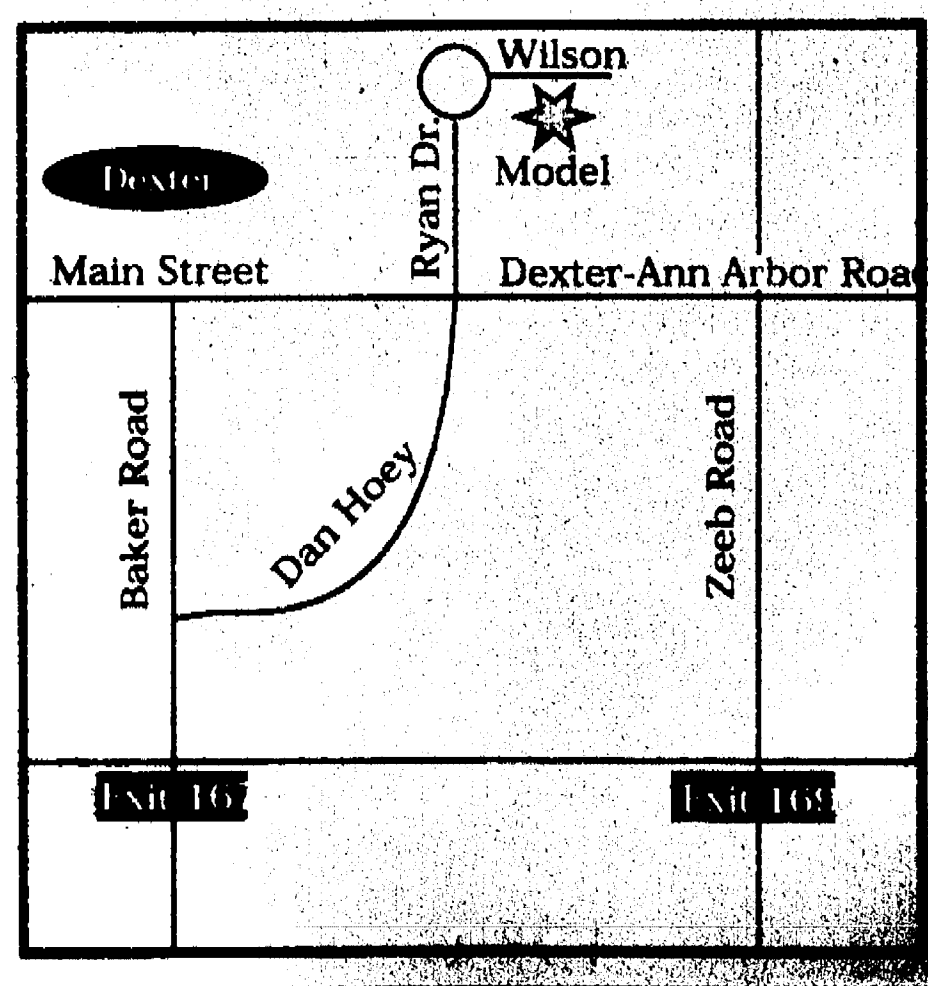
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Arctic Coliseum may open sports bar

Commission to rule on license

By Chris Wright
Special Writer

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission could rule this week on a proposal that would allow the Arctic Coliseum to sell liquor, potentially paving the way for a sports bar on the premises.

If approved, the ice arena, located at 501 Coliseum Drive, would be granted a Class C Resort Liquor License that would allow for the sale of beer, wine and mixed drinks.

The commission was expected to rule on the application yesterday and will announce the results at a later date, said owner Karl Christen.

Although he has not established a firm timetable for when the bar and grill might open for business, Christen said Monday that an architect

has drawn up plans to utilize a 10,000-square-foot space upstairs inside the building.

"A sports bar would fit nicely into that space," he said. "There are still a lot of loose ends."

Christen said that while there are no plans to sell beer in the stands, the Coliseum may sell beer in the locker rooms to participants in the adult leagues.

He conceded that the sale of alcohol could lead to safety concerns, but his main aim is to meet the needs of adult hockey players and spectators looking to better enjoy their experience.

The objective is as much to provide meals as it is to sell alcohol — and maximize profits, he said.

"We're not in it to lose money," said Christen, who bought the six-year-old arena last year.

The sale of alcohol has been a boost to business at the Kensington Valley Ice House in Brighton Township, where the arena's Top Shelf Pub & Grub has been operating for more than three years.

Dan McManamon, general manager at Kensington, said the bar and restaurant has helped bring in customers. He added that alcohol sales have not caused problems.

"Nobody gets too stupid, and if they did, we'd cut them off," he said.

McManamon said that the Michigan High School Athletic Association initially had some concerns because high school teams used the arena, but officials remedied the situation by agreeing not to sell alcohol and gating off that area during high school hockey games.

The same concern cropped
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Three-year-old Edward Moon of Chelsea learns to ice skate Tuesday morning at the Arctic Coliseum. The arena's owner, Karl Christen, is planning to bring a sports bar to the mezzanine level of the complex.

Photo by Chris Wright

CHANGES

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ratus maintenance; records and report management; and training.

Payeur is in the process of writing job descriptions and hopes to soon start the interview process, which will include a physical agility test, physical exam, interviews with the fire chief and chiefs from surrounding departments, and possibly an interview with the Fire Board.

Payeur said only internal candidates may apply and he is treating the hirings as promotions. About a dozen people have expressed an interest, so far, he said.

"We want people who are trained on our equipment and knowledgeable of our procedures," he said. "It's also a huge morale booster to hire people internally. It keeps people who want to become full-time firefighters active and around."

Payeur would like the new structure in place by April.

As part of the restructuring, the part-time officer and part-time assistant chief positions, which pay about \$17 per hour plus a monthly stipend, will be eliminated. Those positions are currently held by Matt Tuttle, Jim Boritzki, Matt Gaken, Keith O'Neil, Ken Cobb, Ken Bauer, William Paul and Steve Jaskot.

"Most of the department is very much in favor of this,"

Payeur said. "There are obviously varying degrees of thoughts."

"The big complaint is that some of the members have created out of the officer system a fairly decent second job. So, those who are affected financially are not happy with it."

"When you have three or four people unhappy because they're going to personally lose financially, then they've lost sight of what we are actually there for."

The change will result in two-person shifts providing 24-hour, seven-day-a-week coverage, and will not increase the fire department's staffing costs, which are budgeted at \$454,100 in 2006, Payeur said. The figure includes wages, benefits and overtime. Payeur earns \$61,000 per year and the new assistant chief position will pay \$7,700 per year, plus about \$17 per hour.

"Our department's goal is to provide the best service for our city in the most cost-effective and cost-efficient manner possible," he said.

Chelsea saw its share of fire costs increase 39 percent this year, with Lima, Dexter, Lyndon and Sylvan townships paying from 6 to 18 percent more over last year. Costs are estimated based on calls for service from the previous year.

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CHELSEA

Lloyd Bridges leaves behind long legacy

Local businessman was a pioneer in the nation's RV industry

By Michelle Rogers
Editor

Lloyd Bridges may have shared a name with a Hollywood legend, but he was famous in his own right. Sandwiched in between the Mobil gas station and Main Street Coney Island in Chelsea, Lloyd Bridges Traveland has built a solid reputation for itself since 1971. The

success of the business, which is located on seven acres and employs up to 37 people, can be attributed to Bridges, who died Monday at 74.

"He was an incredibly smart and motivated man," said his daughter, Michele Bridges.

Bridges was a pioneer in the RV business, having sold the first 100 Dodge chassis to mobile home inventor Ray Frank of Brown City, said his son, Jerry Bridges, who runs the business today with his brother, Charlie.

Bridges, who had retinitis pigmentosa, a rare eye disease that eventually led to

his blindness, was a successful businessman. He began his career selling adding machines in the 1950s and worked



Lloyd Bridges

as a salesman for Taylor Chevrolet in Walled Lake in the late 1950s and '60s before starting his own party store, pizza parlor and used car dealership there.

Bridges later sold the party store and pizza shop, and dissolved the other business,

then opened Lloyd Bridges Dodge in Walled Lake, selling Dodge cars and trucks, and Lloyd Bridges Traveland.

In 1971, Bridges moved his family to Chelsea. He sold fireplaces until he purchased Spaulding Chevrolet in Chelsea in 1971. Fifteen years later, he developed Bridgetown Condominiums.

Throughout the years, he gave back to the community, donating to the St. Louis Center in Sylvan Township and the Muscular Dystrophy Association. He also was active in the Retinitis Pigmentosa Foundation.

In 1981, Bridges sold his

Chevy dealership and RV business, but within a year returned after the new owner had a hard time making payments to the bank. At that time, Bridges' sons joined him in the business.

Jerry Bridges said his father had a strong work ethic and was driven to succeed early in life.

"The doctors told my father at a young age, 'You need to go out and make the best for your family because you're not going to be able to see much longer.' So, at a very early age, he proceeded to do very well for his family."

Jerry Bridges said his father only returned to the business in the early 1980s because he wanted to help his sons. Now Jerry and his brother want to do the same for their sons.

"Nobody has a crystal ball and can predict the future, but we're going to carry on and give our sons the opportunity we had," he said.

Visitation for Bridges is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. The funeral will be held 11 a.m. Friday at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea.

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Additionally, Michigan has set expected outcomes for each grade level, with kindergarten now looked to fulfill the outcomes previously assigned to first grade.

And while full-day, every-day kindergarten is a new idea for Chelsea schools and parents, the format has been gaining popularity across the country.

"The Midwest is perhaps a bit behind in this," Lewis-Lakin said. "There are regions of the country in which 80 to 90 percent of kindergartens are full day every day."

The first mention of full-time kindergarten was in October 2004 during a board work session. Among a list of district changes to consider, a restructuring of early edu-

cation was offered.

From that suggestion, a task force was assembled and spent the next year looking at different kindergarten delivery models through research, articles and school visits.

Trustee Laurel McDevitt was the board representative to the task force. McDevitt, a stay-at-home mother of two, says she came into the project with no strong feelings about any system, though she eventually was drawn to the full-time model.

"I think it's very appealing to address not only what the state says we have to, but what makes school fun," McDevitt said.

The decision to push the kindergarten initiative back was made by the board after taking a hard look at projected finances for the next few years.

When first brought up for consideration by Superin-

tendent Dave Killips, the board was asked to consider not only the idea of full-time kindergarten, but to also consider implementing it as early as fall 2007. The plan would require an addition to house additional staff, most likely at Pierce Lake Elementary, and another restructuring of grade levels within buildings.

While the addition itself was considered within reach, the estimated \$250,000 a year in operating costs was not.

The district is in for some rough years, Killips said. Enrollment has been fading for the last several years, with a numbers crisis looming as the current "bubble" in the high school population graduates. Meanwhile, district revenues have remained stagnant for six years.

"When we asked for the bond in 2004, we always knew that these years would be

red," Killips said. "Because of the bond and being good stewards of that money, we have been able to keep our heads above water, but now we are starting to bob."

Hoping to ride out the red years and maintain the current level of services offered through the school district, the kindergarten transition — should one occur — may take place during the 2008-2009 school year, at the earliest, he said.

Killips and North Creek Elementary School Principal Marcus Kaemming said for the kindergarten to be able to continue offering emotional and social development activities, a portion of the responsibility for the children's academic achievement will lie with the parent.

McDevitt still holds onto hope that the district will someday get the chance to offer full-time kindergarten.

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Mote was injured in February 2005, when her car was rear-ended at high speed by a tractor-trailer. The truck driver was convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol and is serving three years and four months in jail.

"My life is now the result of someone making a bad decision," Mote said. "But I have decided to make a good decision and put my life together as best I can."

Putting her life together, Mote has recently returned to work full time. She is a para-educator at North Creek Elementary in Chelsea, and works in two first-grade classrooms. As part of her job working with

children, Mote says she feels a responsibility to educate and advocate.

"Part of the reason I believe that I survived is to advocate to the very youngest by exposing them to someone with a disability, so that when they meet disabled people, they will not be afraid. I truly believe that is why I'm here," she said.

Mote says that she was surprised to be selected for the honor.

"I am honored to be given this award, but I firmly believe that the true honorees are the members of SADD," she said. "These students are our future, and if they can help even one person from making a destructive decision, the ripple effect goes through our entire community."

Mote also speaks of a "rip-

ple effect" in the community response to her own accident. As she was recovering, family members and friends wrote letters to the judge handling her case. As a direct result of the letters, the judge handed down a longer sentence to the driver who struck Mote.

Along with the letters, Mote says she is overwhelmed by the support, con-

cern and caring shown to her by the community through her recovery.

"One thing I've learned from all of this is that you have a larger impact on your community, family and friends than most of us ever realize," she said.

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CHELSEA AREA

Community Read to focus on poverty

Local gathering attempts to explore struggles of families

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Local residents participating in the third annual Chelsea Reads Together program should get a sense of the struggles many families face.

This year's book selection is "Nickel and Dime: On (not) Getting by in America," Barbara Ehrenreich's award-winning book looks at the realities of people struggling to make ends meet on minimum wage, and the politics and policies surrounding the issue.

Cranesbill Books and Serendipity will offer the book for sale at discounted prices, and the Chelsea District Library will have multiple copies available for patrons to borrow.

"It's a complicated issue at best, but Ehrenreich's foray into the realities of waiting tables, house cleaning and

discount store clerking go a long way to understanding lives lived on the financial edge," said Karen Persello, Chelsea District Library's head of Youth and Teen Services. The library is co-sponsoring the event with Chelsea's One World One Family task force.

The community read is an attempt to explore a topic from various perspectives.

"We're not here to say 'This is right' or 'This is wrong,' but rather to examine the reasons and events that have brought us to this point in time," Persello said.

"With our first community year, we discussed Melba Beals' memoir, 'Warrior's Don't Cry.' Our second program focused on the Middle East. It wasn't an endorsement or criticism of President Bush's war efforts, but a discussion of the history and culture of the region."

This is the third Chelsea Reads Together event. The two-month-long program kicks off 7 p.m. Feb. 16 with "Katrina's Healthcare Crisis for the New Orleans' Middle Class and Working Poor." Dr.

Ravi Vadlamudi, a physician from New Orleans, will discuss the city's slow recovery from last year's hurricanes.

State Rep. Pam Byrnes, D-52nd District, a Lyndon Township resident, will join Nancy Paul and Doug Smith from Faith In Action 7 p.m. March 6, when the library hosts "Facts and Fiction: Wealth and Poverty in Chelsea." Representatives from Food Gatherers, Chelsea schools, the Hope Clinic and Alpha House will also participate.

"I think when folks think about poverty, they think about urban areas with gritty streets, bad housing and rampant crime," said Smith, program coordinator for Faith In Action. "For instance, I doubt seriously if the average citizen in Chelsea even knows that profound poverty exists in our community."

Housing is by far the biggest expense for the people Faith In Action serves, he said.

"I would like to see our community recognize that more affordable housing needs to be developed. And

by affordable, I don't mean the prefabricated houses out by the highway. Many of our folks can't even afford to get into the one subsidized housing complex in Chelsea because they don't generate enough income to qualify," Smith said.

"The poor in our community are fairly invisible, partly because this is a small community and people are embarrassed to ask for help and for others to know that they had to ask for help."

The library will host a job searching workshop from 6 to 8 p.m. March 8. Participants will learn how to search for jobs and post resumes online. It will be followed by a resume writing workshop

from 6 to 8 p.m. March 16. Registration is required for both programs.

The library's Thursday afternoon book group, Books & Banter, will feature "Nickel and Dime" as one of its March selections 1:30 p.m. March 16.

The Friday evening film series will get under way Feb. 24 at Cranesbill Books with Michael Moore's documentary "Roger & Me." The library will host the movie "Supersize Me" March 3.

Cranesbill Books will host "Wage Slaves: Not Getting by in America" March 10. The

library will play host March 17 to "My Family," starring Jimmie Smits and Edward James Olmos in the story of three generations struggling for the American Dream.

On March 24, Cranesbill Books will host "Store Wars: When Wal-Mart Comes to Town." The series will round out with the library hosting "American Dream" March 31.

All movies will start at 7 p.m.

Two sessions of "Desserts & Discussion" are planned, with Cranesbill Books host-

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up at the Chelsea City Council meeting last month where the council approved the liquor license request.

On a 4-2 vote, with one abstention, the council approved the measure at its Jan. 10 meeting.

Voting against the request were Mayor Pro-Tem Jason Lindauer and Councilman Kent Martinez-Kratz. Councilman Joe Merkel, owner of Wolverine Food & Spirits and liquor license holder himself, abstained.

Although the liquor control commission has the final say, the city's recommendation is very important, City Manager Michael Steklac said.

"The state gives a lot of weight to the local government's approval," he said.

In presenting the matter to the council, Steklac said members could not make a conditional approval.

"For example, they don't plan to sell in the stands, but they could change that, and there's nothing the council can do," he said.

The city does retain the ability to document liquor license violations and take any issues to the state, "but that would only be in an extreme case," Steklac said.

STRAIGHT FACTS

The article "Fumes prompt evacuation" in last week's edition contained the wrong spelling of Postmaster Ted Duve's name.

No matter how hard we try to avoid mistakes, sometimes they happen anyway. When that occurs, we rely on our readers to let us know about them. So, please help. To request a correction, e-mail Editor Michelle Rogers at editor@chelseastandard.com or call 475-1371.



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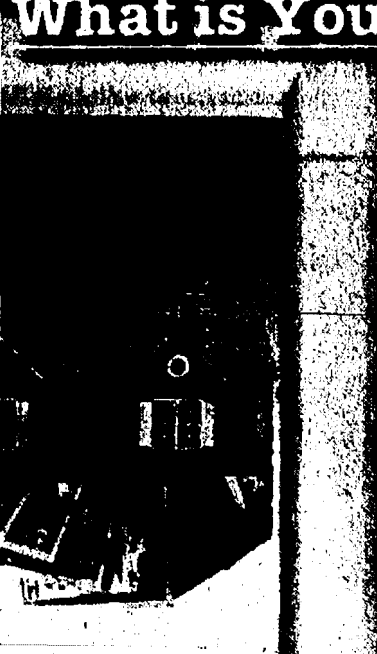
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Pupils celebrate Black History Month

Special projects among activities in schools

Some Pierce Lake pupils are conducting a mini-study of baseball legend Jackie Robinson, the first black man to break into Major League Baseball in 1947. Robinson, who played for the Brooklyn Dodgers, won the National League batting title in 1949, as well as the National League's Most Valuable Player Award.

Nickel is featuring famous people on Tuesdays, quotes on Wednesdays and facts on Thursdays.

She also wrote a short article in her recent newsletter to parents, addressing diversity in general and using the recent community celebra-

African-American historical figures each week that will be read as part of the school announcements. This week, the club submitted the biographies of Detroit native and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Ralph Bunche and astronaut Mae Jemison.



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OTHER VOICES

Governor Granholm deserves our respect

If Gov. Jennifer Granholm took President George W. Bush's approach to explaining her troubles, she would grumble. "Being the governor is hard work." But in her State-of-the-State speech, there were no violins, no whining. She looked to the future with optimism and a plan.

Given what she inherited in 2003, and the tough conditions since then, you have to admire her tenacity and leadership.

Pitifully, the right half of the state Legislature remained in their seats like pouting children as Granholm unveiled plans that drew applause from the audience and the left side of the aisle.

Of course, it wouldn't be right for the Republicans to applaud the opposition, would it? That's not done these days. Apparently, our good, old American values have changed. "No comfort or aid" to the enemy, and now the enemy is anyone who doesn't think the way I do.

The Republicans in the Michigan Legislature are happy to beat the droll, tin plate of tax cuts, like they always have. They know that the lower and middle class citizens in the state (like me) will bite on a \$100 income tax break. Hey, I can buy 20 more Lottery tickets this year — or go to another "day trader secrets" seminar — in my continuing quest to get rich the only way possible anymore.

They also know that the small businesses that are profitable enough to qualify for the single business tax will bite, as well. My brother-in-law tells me he can save more than \$16,000 next year if they eliminated the single business tax. That will buy him a new boat — likely built outside the state — or pad my niece's college fund for Stanford or Miami. Oh, by the way, the single business tax kicks in at \$350,000.

The good news for me is that I'll never



ROY SCHMIDT

have to pay it.

The theory is that reducing the tax will draw more businesses — and hence jobs — to the state by improving our tax climate. But that's part of the old slippery supply-side mentality favored by the conservative side of government, who, conveniently, are friends to the rich, powerful, corporate crowd who stand to gain the most from tax cuts.

Keep in mind that states like California, New York and Massachusetts aren't suffering from the poor tax climates they offer to businesses.

The theory that lowering taxes will solve our economic problems is just that — a theory. It's one that's been proven just about as many times as creationism; interestingly, its supporters are just as fervent.

The opposing theory reflects the reality we see around ourselves every day — that no one is going to decline a raise just because their taxes will go up. I'd gladly hit the \$350,000 mark in sales if I could. I'd frame my tax return next to my diploma. I'd wear my tax burden like a badge of honor. I'd pay my tax bill with a smile, and laugh all the way to the bank with my leftover profits. Wouldn't you?

When she took office, Granholm was handed a budget deficit. State revenues were falling. We were tapping into the "rainy day" Budget Stabilization Fund. Interest on our debt was \$470 million and growing. America was in a recession. Federal spending for luxuries (like the invasion of Iraq) cut funding to states. And we were saddled with a dinosaur of an industry in automobile manufacturing — and this year has shown us that the Age of Mammals is coming on fast.

No one should blame Granholm if she lies down to sleep at night mulling, "This sure

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EDITORIAL

Local businessman helped Chelsea prosper

Chelsea's economy has, in many ways, been built on the hard work, dedication, ingenuity and good business sense of a number of local families.

From baking mix, lumber and furniture to recreational vehicles, cars and mortuary services, the Holmes, Daniels, Merkel, Bridges, Palmer, Faist, Cole and Mitchell families have helped the community thrive economically by offering a variety of goods and services.

"I think it's a tribute to Chelsea that we have so many longstanding family businesses," says Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Director Bob Pierce.

And he's right.

They have each built a loyal customer base and solid reputation, while also paving a path and providing a successful example for new business owners as they come in, establish themselves, make a living and, in return, give back to the community.

Sadly, Chelsea lost one of its business leaders Monday when Lloyd Bridges, owner of Lloyd Bridges Traveland, died at 74.

Bridges, who owned car dealerships and other businesses in Wallad Lake, launched Lloyd Bridges Traveland in 1964. Seven years later, he settled in Chelsea, where



MICHELLE ROGERS

the family had a cottage, and relocated his business.

Bridges was a pioneer in the RV industry, selling the first 100 Dodge chassis to motor home inventor Ray Frank of Brown City.

Despite having retinitis pigmentosa, a rare eye disease that eventually led to his blindness at 35, Bridges made a good living and built a successful business that he was able to pass down to his sons.

Bridges was intelligent, motivated, driven and a smart businessman, says his daughter, Michele. He was also kind-hearted and charitable, donating his purchases at the Chelsea Community Fair Livestock Auction to the St. Louis Center, a home for disabled youths and young adults in Sylvan Township, and opening his wallet to the Muscular Dystrophy Association every year during the Jerry Lewis Telethon.

Today, Lloyd Bridges Traveland, which is run by Bridges' sons, Jerry and Charlie, continues to thrive as a family-owned business. The business, which employs between 30 and 37 people, recently expanded its showroom and has about 250 RVs on seven acres along South Main Street near Interstate 94.

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STREET TALK

By Jennifer Sinkwits

Were you surprised at how well the city of Detroit handled the Super Bowl?



"I thought Detroit would do great."

Eric McCalla
Lima Township



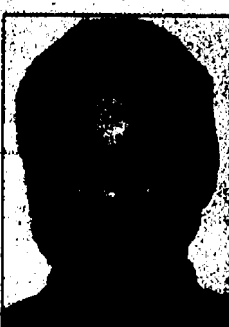
"It was an awesome opportunity for Detroit."

Larry Lyons
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"I didn't think Detroit was ready for it. I was surprised."

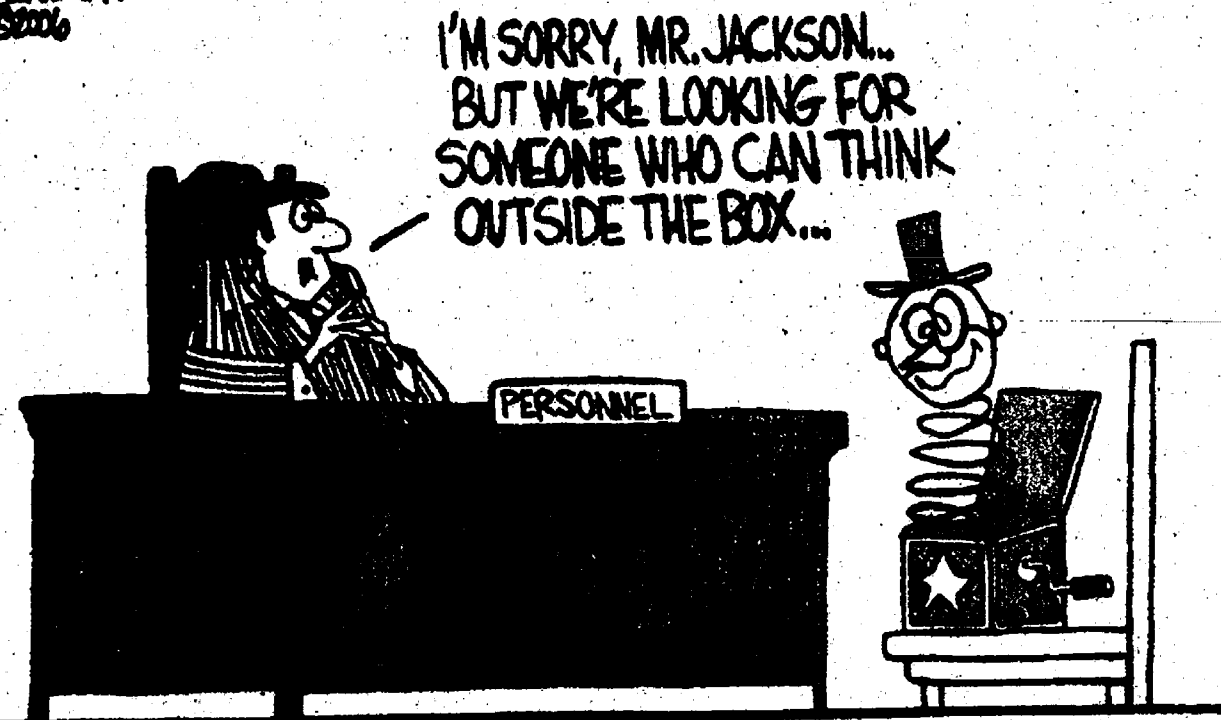
Donna Rauch
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"Detroit pulled off the MLP All-Star game, so I assumed they could handle this."

Scott Sinkwits
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

How could there be no room for Friends?

Tell me, does anyone else see something wrong with the following:

Friends of the Chelsea Library always have been just that: Friends who collected, sorted, sold books and helped the library in any number of projects.

And, most recently, worked with the library to pass the millage for the brand new, expanded library with a community room (hmmm), study rooms (good), and probably offices for everyone. But now there's no room for the Friends. Please!

Does anyone know of a stable that might be available for the Friends? If, indeed, they are still friends?

Angelo Angelocci
Chelsea

Americans should support auto industry

In today's newspapers and magazines, it infuriates me that every editorial comment is of the opinion that foreign auto manufacturers are better than American. They claim to last longer, are more reliable, etc. Nothing could be further from the truth.

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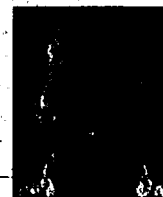
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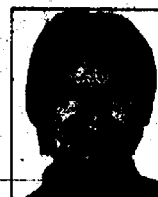
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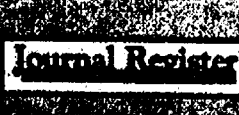
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The cast and crew of the award-winning high school production "The Insanity of Mary Girard" includes, in front, Joey Millen (left), Zoe Zuidveld, Cathy Wijsman, David Benoit and Alana Wright; second row, Shane Jones (left), Kyle Goedert, Carolyn Paul, Lee Bailey and Kathleen Woods; third row, Melissa Judd (left), Lauren Wright, Ariel Shepers and Amber Judd; and fourth row, Adam Neuenschwander, Joe Daly, Michael Sullivan and Eric Hohnke.



CHELSEA SCHOOLS

Guild earning honors

Local troupe will compete at regionals in Clinton Township

By Lisa Vidaurri Bowling
Special Writer

Drama for members of the Chelsea Theatre Guild has proven to be successful.

The high school thespians earned top honors in districts at the Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association statewide one-act play competition, which this year focuses on drama.

Held Jan. 28 at Holly High School, the Chelsea Theatre Guild competed against Holly, Waterford Mott and Ann Arbor Pioneer high schools. They performed "The Insanity of Mary Girard" by Lanie Roberts.

Pamela Cardell Cato, assistant managing director for theater and educational drama at Eastern Michigan University, is this year's director.

The play, based on a true story set in 1790, was suggested by 16-year-old Kyle Goedert, daughter of John and Kathy Goedert of Chelsea.

"I suggested it, and then a group of us sat down and read three possible plays and the guild voted and chose this," said Goedert, a junior at Chelsea High

School and president of this year's guild.

"The play is based on a true story about a woman who was married to an abusive husband, Steven Girard, for 13 years," Goedert said. "When Steven, who is also the wealthiest man in Philadelphia, finds out that Mary is pregnant with another man's child, he becomes furious and tells the doctors at the Pennsylvania Hospital that she is insane."

"In the insane asylum, Mary is haunted by the 'furies,' her fellow inmates. They all represent people in her past, present and future, including her mother, the warder of the asylum, and her housekeeper that the husband will later have a 30-year relationship with. They eventually lead her to insanity."

This year, the 30-member guild secured a total of 292 points out of a possible 300, winning first place and taking home superior awards for research, technical performance, and a full cast award.

"It was great to win and especially most important to place in the No. 1 rating," said Ken Faulk, a guild adviser. He also serves as auditorium manager and technical director.

During the MIFA competition, high schools across the state compete in three levels — districts, regionals, and

states — and must make it through each level with a high enough score to advance. High schools participating in MIFA competitions showcase their very best work in both the acting and the technical realms.

Currently, 39 schools are eligible to participate in the MIFA theater regional festivals this weekend. Twenty-one of the schools are in Class A, 12 are in Class B and six are in Class C-D. Chelsea is a Class D school.

Each participating school will receive a plaque in recognition of qualification for the regional.

Director Cardell Cato said she's excited the students have the opportunity to share their work with other audiences.

"I believe the students are confident in the quality of their production and will enjoy the experience of sharing theater with other dedicated schools," she said. "I don't think much about the judging aspect of it — it's too subjective a process to try and second-guess how to please the judges."

Members of the local guild will compete Saturday in the Class C-D regionals against Harper Creek, Jonesville, Laker, St. Clair and Standish-Sterling Central high schools at 35200 Little Mack in Clinton Township. For more information, check out the Web site www.clintondale.k12.mi.us.

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business to their sons, Casey, Tim and Ben, when the time is right, like their father did for them in 1981.

"Nobody has a crystal ball and can predict the future, but we're going to carry on

and give our sons the opportunity we had," Steve says.

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would want. And yet she's out with a smile on her face, a plan in her pocket and the determination to continue working hard until the problems are fixed.

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I have faith that Granholm will keep us on the right path, with or without the help of the Republican side of the Legislature.

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But when you treat your feet right by using THE FOOT CHOICE, your body will feel better all over. This occurs for two reasons...

First: Having sore feet can affect how you walk, which then places strain on your legs, knees, back and spine.

Second: All the nerves throughout your entire body terminate into the soles of your feet. So when you massage your feet, you help soothe discomfort in all other areas of your body.

It's proven... when you revive your tired, aching feet with THE FOOT CHOICE, you revive your entire body.

You will feel better, have more energy and be overall happier.

Having tried THE FOOT CHOICE myself, I can tell you... "It is pretty amazing!"

THE FOOT CHOICE is powerful, yet extremely relaxing and convenient. And with its slim, sleek design, it fits perfect absolutely anywhere.

With THE FOOT CHOICE, you will enjoy a deep-penetrating, yet very comfortable stimulation all over your entire foot... behind the ball of your foot, high into your arch, your heel and every single toe.

You will feel wonderful as THE FOOT CHOICE massages the entire soles of both your feet with the use of Massage Therapy, Infrared Heat and Reflexology.

You will feel as if the hands of the world's best personal masseuse are gently and continuously massaging your feet until all your aches and pains throughout your entire body just melt away.

You will enjoy the foot rub you've always wanted for as long as you want to.

Plus, the powerful motor in THE FOOT CHOICE is very quiet and won't disturb you or anyone else.

It weighs only 2.5

pounds and is easily portable with its sleek, slim design.

Just rest your feet on THE FOOT CHOICE and let the soothing process begin.

With over 200 acupressure nodes and a choice of 4 different power settings, this deep-tissue massager goes after your muscle tension with direct, pain relieving action.

You can adjust it to deliver precisely the intensity of massage you need.

For even more information, here is part of my interview with Mr. John Whitakre, the Executive Director of Product Development for BioTech Research.

Q. What is Reflexology?

A. The Reflexology Association of America describes Reflexology as this... "Reflexology is the systematic, manual stimulation of the reflex maps located on the feet, hands and outer ears that resemble a shape of the human body."

Reflexology can also be described as a drug-free form of managing and alleviating physical and stress-related conditions.

This is achieved by the use of gentle pressure on parts of your feet. The reflex points in your feet mirror and correspond to specific areas of your body.

The various organs and glands of your body are stimulated to work to their capacity.

This helps to return your body's system to a natural state of balance, working together at its best, and enhancing its own natural healing capabilities.

That is what puts THE FOOT CHOICE far above the rest. You don't have to spend hours finding a qualified person that knows reflexology well enough to massage your feet to get all those benefits. You will get all those benefits within minutes when you use THE FOOT CHOICE.

Plus, sessions with a reflexologist can cost hundreds of dollars. But with THE FOOT CHOICE you just place your feet on top and it does everything for you.

Q. Why did you marry the three technologies of Infrared Heat, Massage Therapy and Reflexology together in THE FOOT CHOICE?

A. We put Infrared Heat, Massage Therapy and Reflexology into making THE FOOT CHOICE so you, the consumer can enjoy the ultimate in healing, massage and therapy... so you, the consumer can enjoy all three of the most beneficial therapeutic technologies ever discovered together... all at once... in one great machine... at one time for your entire body. This saves you tons of money on different foot massagers, expensive medications, doctor's visits and most of all PAIN throughout your body.

You see, in addition to the amazing benefits of reflexology, you also get the warm relief of infrared heat plus the relaxing stimulation of Massage Therapy.

No other machine gives you all three technologies at one time.

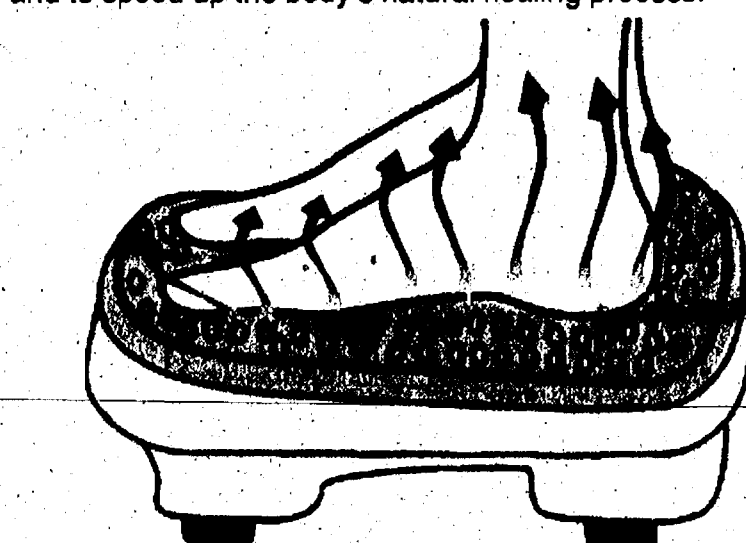
Infrared Heat has an extremely positive effect on

THE FOOT CHOICE PROVIDES EFFECTIVE, NON-INVASIVE, NON-ADDICTIVE PAIN RELIEF WITH NO SIDE EFFECTS FOR THE ENTIRE BODY

With the amazing technology of Reflexology THE FOOT CHOICE allows you to receive therapy in which your mind, body and spirit are all treated at once leaving you feeling relaxed yet energized.



THE FOOT CHOICE system produces infrared light to provide deep penetrating warmth for relief of acute and chronic pain, and to speed up the body's natural healing process.



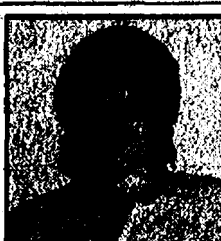
I was chasing my son through the back yard and after tripping I literally thought that I broke my foot. I was in so much pain. But after using THE FOOT CHOICE that night with the warmth of the infrared heat and the gentle vibration of the massage therapy combined with reflexology I felt great. Thank you BioTech Research for developing THE FOOT CHOICE. I owe you big time.

Sherri Litten



The doctor told me that I needed surgery for my back but I didn't want to go through that. Now when I feel pain in my feet and legs caused by my back I use THE FOOT CHOICE. In 10 minutes I start experiencing movement in my legs and feet again and even the next day I feel wonderful. Your product is incredible and I'm glad that I used THE FOOT CHOICE.

Mike Blubaugh



After doing a few rounds at the hospital, I thought that my feet would never be the same. No shoes are quite comfortable enough for long shifts. No matter what, at the end of your shift your feet hurt. And they hurt bad. So when I go home I immediately reach for my FOOT CHOICE. It is the most amazing foot massager I have ever seen or used. It's a God send. I can't remember what I did before I owned THE FOOT CHOICE. Your company should be commended. I will definitely be buying some more for Christmas presents for all the girls I work with.

Michelle Peters

the body.

It provides deep penetrating warmth for relief of acute and chronic pain, as well as speeds up the body's natural healing process.

As the infrared heat penetrates the soles of your feet, it safely and gently heats your tissues blood supply.

As the body receives this increased supply of blood, the cells are nourished and cleansed and you experience an actual reduction in pain.

Reflexology represents the entire body. Those who practice it say that reflexology can cure migraine headaches and relieve sinus problems.

It is said to restore harmony to hormonal imbalances and cure breathing disorders and digestive problems. If you have a back problem, a massage on the right spot of your right foot can alleviate your suffering.

If you suffer from circulatory problems or have a lot of tension and stress, reflexology promises relief. It is even said to restore balance to one's energy.

Massage Therapy gives you a full range of treatment to soothe and restore rough, tired, aching feet and legs thus reviving your entire body.

THE FOOT CHOICE is designed to give you a soothing, deep penetrating, yet quiet

and comfortable massage for as long as you like.

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THE FOOT CHOICE goes after muscle tension with direct-drive percussive action. And best of all, you can adjust it to deliver precisely the intensity of massage you need.

So as you can clearly see, bringing three outstanding, yet different pain relieving technologies such as Infrared Heat, Massage Therapy and Reflexology into one machine is phenomenal.

And that is exactly what has been done with THE FOOT CHOICE.

It just doesn't get any better than this machine. Its advanced digital controller with speed feedback logic protects it from overheating or stalled motor conditions. All you feel is strong, fast, deep-down relief from muscular tension. ...End

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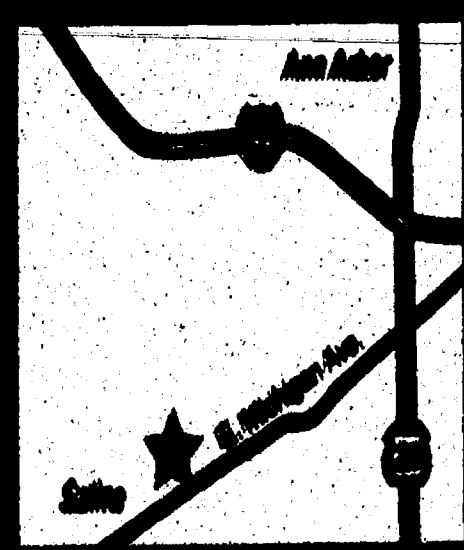
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Dexter - Best deal in Chelsea Schools! Over 2500 sq ft with a new maple & Corian kitchen, 2 new baths, & 4 big bedrooms. Family room w/fieldstone FP too. It's all redone on one landscaped acre! \$244,900

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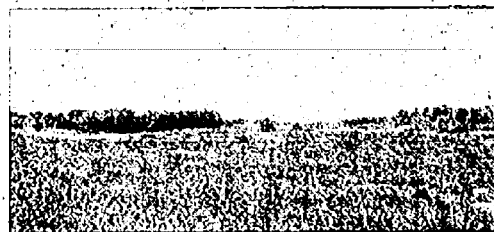
Stockbridge - New custom built, ranch is loaded! Oak kitchen w/island & appliances, hardwood, plus stunning stone fireplace. On 2.5 landscaped acres. Pictures at www.AnnArborListings.com - Sharp, custom, only \$189,900

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Munich - Wow a nearly new red brick beauty w/2.5 baths. 1st floor master w/spa bath. You'll love the hickory kitchen. It's on 5 beautiful acres. Pictures at www.AnnArborListings.com \$229,900

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Freedom Twp - LAND - Be ready to build 4 acre rolling site, paved, and driveway, in 15 minutes west of Ann Arbor \$1,490,000

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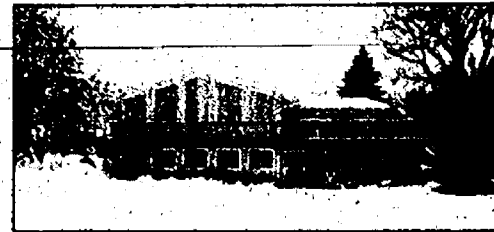
Belleville - Brick 4 bedroom, 2 bath tri-level with finished lower walkout level. Hardwood flooring, updated thru out. Over 1/2 acre with fenced back yard and 20x20 shed. Tons of extras, a real must see! \$209,900

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Dexter - Wonderful 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch home on 2 landscaped acres with many extras. Updated kitchen, 2 fireplaces, finished walkout, hot tub, heated outbuildings, and wrap around deck. Tons of updates. \$489,000

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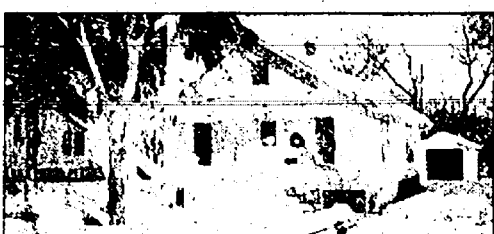
Dexter - Loch Alpine 4 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Large private yard w/ mature trees in country neighborhood w/2 lakes & A2 Country Club. New roof, deck, carpet, paint, water softener, & water heater. Best buy in sub. \$239,900

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Dexter - Great little bungalow awaiting new owners. Freshly painted, new carpet, new kitchen, flooring, updated bath, new mechanicals & roof. Perfect for first time homeowners or investors. Nearly half acre and 2 car garage w/attached shed. 3530 Dover, between Third and Second St. \$145,900. Michelle Elie 734-637-6376

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Chelsea - Perfect starter home in the heart of Chelsea. Home features 2 BR, 1 updated bath, refinished hardwood floors, newer roof, and vintage kitchen. Backs to land locked nature area! Unbelievable price for Chelsea! \$144,900

Michelle Elie 734-637-6376



Brooklyn - Extravagant Victorian B&B Original Oak and Cherry woodwork, 4 suites w/3 fireplaces and Jacuzzi. Separate bungalow w/ fireplace & Jacuzzi. New roof w/ 10 yr guarantee. \$437,000

Don Burch 734-320-5111



Ann Arbor Schools - Breath taking 4 BR, 2.5 bath, 2172 sq ft home in affordable Pittsfield Twp. Open floor plan with hardwood floors perfect for entertaining. Very desirable neighborhood, won't last long. \$281,900

Diana Holding 734-904-7871



Pinehney - Exquisite Home- Chance of a lifetime. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths on 1 lushly landscaped acre. Beautiful marble floors, gourmet kitchen w/ cherry cabinets and Corian counters. Oversized master suite, large study with sitting area, built ins with French doors. Includes 2 private docks on Baseline Lake. \$469,000

Liz Rausser/Maria Lopez 734-417-1122



Chelsea - Charming home in highly regarded Chelsea area. Features wood floors throughout, cove ceilings, spacious kitchen and central air. Finished basement completely remodeled and updated. 640 Flanders Between Washington and Hook. \$184,900

Open Sun. 2-4pm

Sam Elder 734-678-7395



Chelsea - 5.64 acres. Build your dream home on this beautiful parcel. Lots of wildlife, across from state land. Close to town. Lyndon Twp taxes. M-52 to west on Roe Rd. \$140,000

Kim Miller 734-476-1997



Ann Arbor - Great location! Great value! 3 BR, 2 bath ranch in desirable Ann Arbor sub. Freshly painted, gleaming hardwood floors, cove ceilings. Partially finished walk-out basement. \$209,900

Jeri Endler 734-821-0744



Chelsea - Spacious condo with 2 BR's, 2.5 baths, 1.5 car attached garage. Open floor plan. LR w/gas fireplace and downrill to deck overlooking wooded common area. \$157,900

Jeri Endler 734-821-0744



Jackson - Spacious 3 BR, 2 bath bi-level home. Newer kitchen w/oak cabinets. LR w/gas fireplace. Main bath w/tiled tub, separate shower. Walk-out LL w/ family room. BR, full bath. \$159,900

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Dexter schools - Elegantly appointed home in Loch Alpine 4 BR 2.5 baths walkout LL. Flawless craftsmanship w/ custom upgrades inclg hardwood tile, cabinetry built-ins. Exquisite neutral decor. Ready to move in! \$429,900

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Dexter - Price Reduced! Better than new 4 BR, 2.5 bath home on 2 acres. 2 car attached AND 3 car mechanic's dream detached garage. Freshly painted neutral Hardwood floors, oak cabinets. Nice master. Walkout basement. \$349,900

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Dexter - Vacant land 6.58 acres w/pri/m location to Dexter & Ann Arbor. Build your dream home in this area of executive homes. Horses allowed. \$239,900

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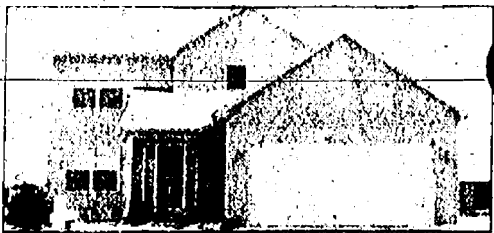
Grass Lake - Unique property! 2300 sq ft office bldg AND 1444 sq ft home. Great space for veldr office, salon/spa... plenty of parking. On 16.5 acres, pole barn. All for only \$429,900!

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Dexter - Beautiful Walsh Farms home on 1.8 rolling acres, backs to woods. Vaulted great room w/gas fireplace. Chef's delight kitchen w/granite counter tops. Formal DR. Luxury master suite. Hardwood floors. Walk-out lower level. 3 car garage. \$495,000

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Dexter - 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 2 car garage. Light filled great room. Breakfast nook w/door to brick paved patio. Master bedroom w/walk-in closet. Basement w/9 ft ceiling, plumbed for bath. Great value at \$214,900

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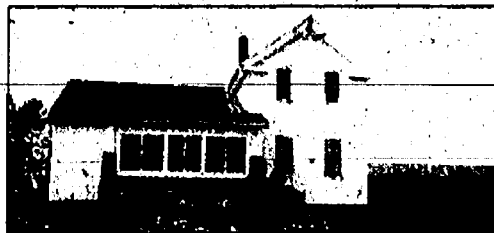
Ann Arbor - Classic contemporary 3 BR, 2.5 bath home in popular Ravines Sub. Hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan, maple cabinets and stainless appliances. Spacious master w/luxury master bath. Nicely landscaped corner lot. Must see! 1562 Abigail Way, Scio Ridge to Reserve to Abigail. \$324,900

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Grass Lake - Terrific retail space located in historic downtown district of Grass Lake Village. Perfect for franchise or individually owned business like restaurant, florist, sporting goods, bakery or bookstore. One of fastest growing areas of SE Michigan. \$350,000

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Chelsea - Attention investors! 1526 SF farm house on 2.5 acres, waiting for your renovations and TLC. Chelsea schools. Township taxes. Add'l acreage available. \$179,900

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Grass Lake - Cute ranch built in 2004. 3 BR, 1 1/2 bath. Great Room w/ cathedral ceilings, spacious kitchen, oak cabinets. Walkout ready to finish. Backs up to woods. 116 Ridgeview, East of Mt Hope off Old 12 (N side of Michigan) \$187,900

Barb Ager/Kim Johnson 734-848-2396



Dexter - Like new 2 bedrooms, 2 baths condo w/ many upgrades. New wood flooring & freshly painted. Spacious master suite, screened in porch w/ beautiful view into woods. Immediate occupancy! \$165,000

Barbara Ager 734-848-0783



Dexter - Fabulous historic Dexter Village home on .3 acre lot. Spacious rooms, totally updated. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, upstairs laundry, finished family room in basement. It's a one of a kind house. Hurry on this one! \$309,000

Michelle Elie 734-637-6376



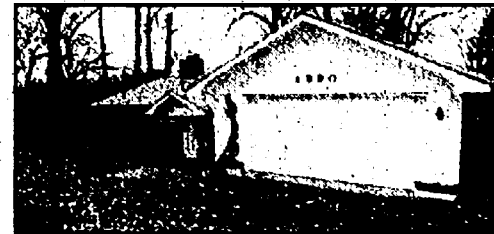
Dexter Schools - Spacious Loch Alpine ranch overlooking the 8th green! 2214 sq ft on main level with an additional 1600 on fin walk-out lower level. Expansive living, family, and rec rooms. Great sunroom w/hot tub. Large master suite. Updated kitchen w/lennaire appliances, 2-car garage. \$364,900

Michael Dailey 734-368-4345



Chelsea - Stunning Chelsea Ridge home with 4 spacious bedrooms, 2.5 baths, and formal living/dining rooms. The beautiful kitchen w/island adjoins a large, well-lit family room that is complete w/fireplace. Master suite includes whirlpool tub. 2-car oversized garage. A short walk to downtown, schools, parks, and library. Minutes from I-94! \$324,900

Michael Dailey 734-368-4345



Chelsea - Your own private inlet and a wonderful view of South Lake! Comfortable 3-bedroom, 1.5 bath home on one waterfront acre has 2217 sq ft with 1000' on the lower level. Hope living and family rooms and a 2-car garage. Close to state land. Tremendous potential! \$314,900

Michael Dailey 734-368-4345



Jackson - Fabulous Stone Oak home! Beautiful kitchen w/island, granite counters, and extensive cabinets. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, in-law 7 au-par suite in w/o lower level. Has bonus room over 3 car garage. \$190 finished sq ft in all. \$574,900

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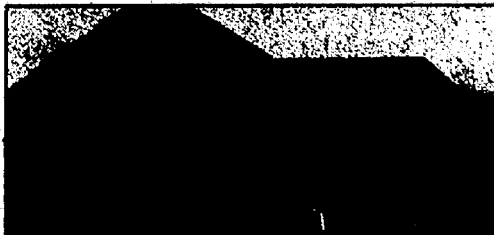
Brooklyn - Wampers Lake access with this 2300 sq ft, 4 bedrooms, 2 bath ranch. Spacious kitchen with eating area. Master bed/bath for privacy. Detached garage w/electric, with space for work bench. Near golf course and town! \$179,900

Michael Dailey 734-368-4345



Chelsea - Sellers say... Let's make a deal! - Bi-level homes do have advantages... (mother-in-law suite, or 2 houses in one) located on 10 acres. Chelsea schools, huge kitchen, plenty of room to grow. More details www.patti-burton.com - 5753 M-52 \$273,000

Patti Burton 734-216-3359



Brooklyn - Builders say almost complete- Custom built contemporary ranch, hardwood floors, master suite, full basement, lake access to Lake Columbia, Columbia schools, golf course down the road. More details www.patti-burton.com. 125 W. Princess \$185,000

Patti Burton 734-216-3359



Manchester - This price will move you- Great starter in the Village. Hardwood floors, updated kitchen, extra side yard, screened front porch. Walk to town for shopping, coffee, restaurants and school. More details www.patti-burton.com - 118 W. Duncan. \$160,000

Patti Burton 734-216-3359



Ann Arbor - Like-new 2 bedroom, 2 bath ground floor Walnut Glen condo. Huge master including sitting or office area, plus a wall of closets. Laundry room right in unit, all appliances stay. One-car garage. Screened-in porch. Snack bar in kitchen. Designer colors. \$159,000

Nicole Nowosielski 734-652-3439



Ypsilanti - Immaculate 3 bedroom ranch. Formal living room & separate family room. Hardwood under carpet in living room & all 3 bedrooms. Newer range/oven & refrigerator. New furnace. 2 car garage. 1 Yr home warranty. \$152,900

Barb Ager/Kim Johnson 734-848-2396



Dexter - Well maintained home, hardwood floors, 4 beds, 2.5 baths, bonus room, 3 car garage on a one acre lot. Great floor plan for entertaining. Basement has daylight windows. Better than new, landscaping, deck, A/C, blinds and sprinkler system are all in. Move-in ready! \$349,000

Kim Roberts 734-645-5142



Dexter - Vacant Land- One of the last few lots left in the village. All city services available. Walking distance to downtown. Land contract terms available. Can build to suit. \$49,900

Kim Roberts 734-645-5142



Dexter - Spacious immaculate condo with 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, sunroom, 1st floor laundry, and full basement plumbed for bath. Short stroll to Village of Dexter. \$244,900

Kim Roberts 734-645-5142



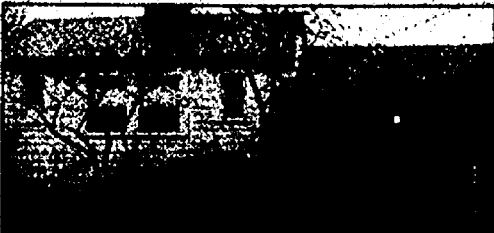
Dexter - Better than new! Spacious 4 BR Colonial. Finished basement with full bath, French doors, master suite w/ cathedral ceilings. Great view in backyard, adjacent to park, lots of storage. \$285,500

James Manolek 734-628-4080



Jackson Northwest Schools - Vacant Land, 80' private road already installed. This 20 acres has 267' of road frontage. Property has been perked, surveyed & can be split into 4 parcels. Electric and telephone already there. Spectacular views. Land contract terms available. \$190,900

Jim Alvarez 610-599-0419



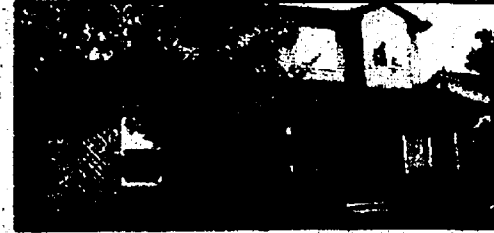
Ann Arbor - One bedroom condo close to shopping, campus. Beautifully finished hardwood floors, large backyard with deck. Freshly painted. Central air, community recreation areas. Motivated seller-bring all offers. \$63,500

Maryann Lawrence 734-848-3888



Pittsfield Twp - Splendid new listing. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. State of the art kitchen plus butler nook, 2 story family room w/ wet bar, 3 fireplaces and more... 4077 Persimmon, Off Elmhurst to Silverleaf to left on Persimmon. \$329,900

Marian Gregor 734-821-0711



Ypsilanti - Unique floor plan with entire 2nd floor as the master suite. Expanded oak kitchen. Great price! \$773 New Meadow, off Teatle. \$184,900

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BOOK REVIEW

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Book gives readers close encounter

Whether you pronounce his name van "Go" or van "Goth," Dutch artist Vincent van Gogh has intrigued art lovers for more than 100 years.

The artist, who is known for having cut off his ear, painted more than 2,100 paintings and drawings in his brief career before he committed suicide at the age of 37 in 1890.

Astonishingly, the prolific artist sold only one of his paintings in his lifetime.

He wrote to his brother, Theo, "I cannot help it that my pictures do not sell. Nevertheless, the time will come when people will see that they are worth more than the price of the paint..."

Could the troubled artist have seen into the future to a time when his paintings would sell for millions of dollars, as they do today?

"I, van Gogh," the most recent offering in Prestel Publishing's "I" series of slip-cased coffee table art books, gives us an in-depth look at the artist's life through his very words collected from correspondence with his family and the clear, concise text of German author and art historian Isabel Kuhn.

As in the others in the series, this 144-page volume, published last fall, is filled with 152 beautifully reproduced color illustrations, in addition to a large selection of black and white sketches, of the artist's works. They range from "studies" he included with correspondence to his family to his famed "Sunflowers" and self-portraits.

Although he showed some artistic talent as a child, Van Gogh worked as an art dealer and missionary, and even thought of becoming a minister before deciding to pursue art in 1880 at the age of 27.

Readers gain insight into Van Gogh's desperation and painful slip into madness through excerpts from letters to Theo and his sister, Willemine. The missives are filled with self-doubt and pleas for money to support his pursuits.

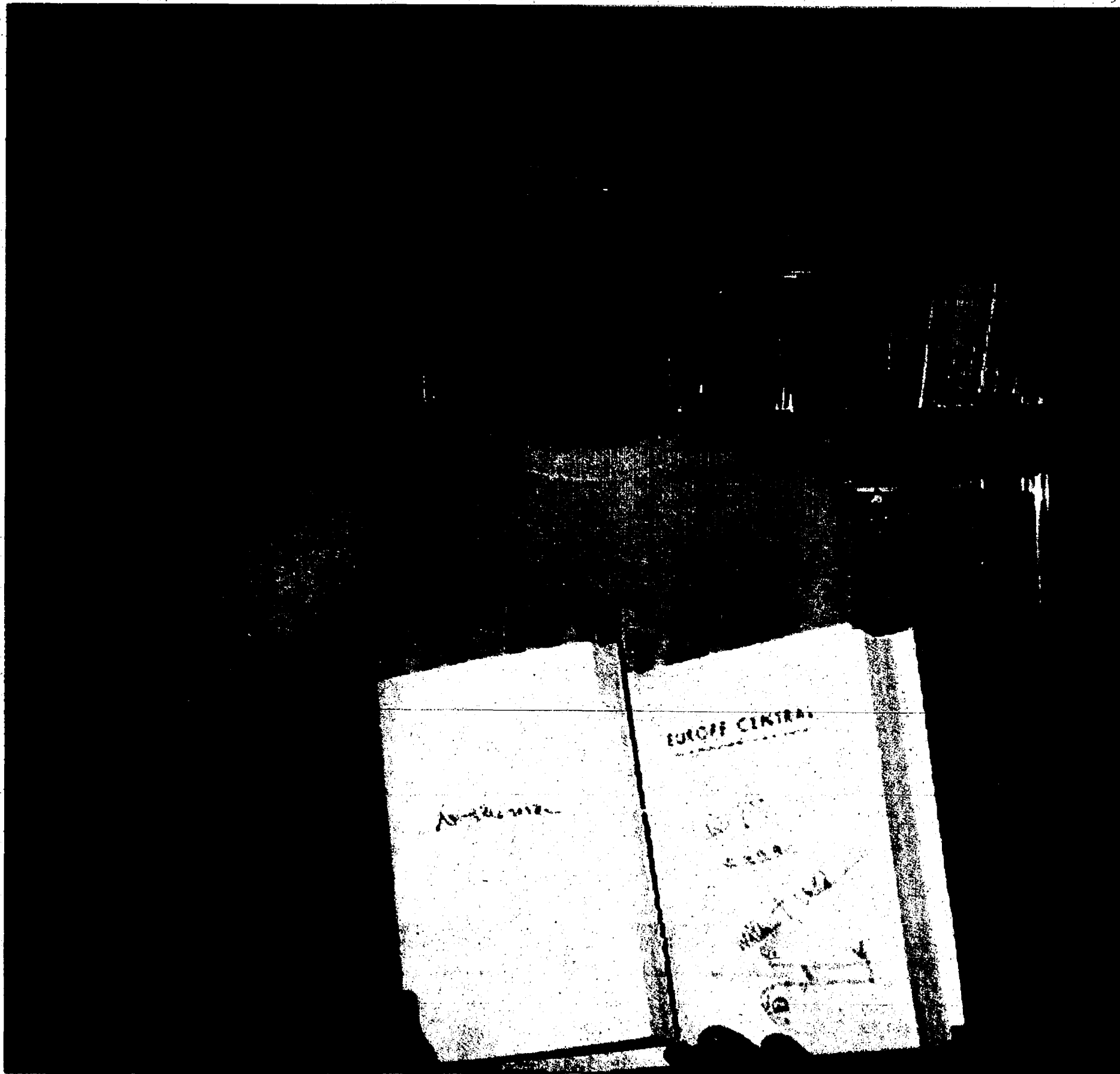
He flitted in and out of madness and finally sought treatment in a French asylum, but to no avail. While out walking, the artist shot himself in the chest and died two days later.

"I, Raphael," published early last year, similarly recounts the life of Renaissance painter Raphael Santi, a famous and sought-after Florentine artist in the time of two other brilliant painters, Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci.

Raphael began studying art at a young age, and by 17, he was considered a "master" and had secured his first major commission for a church in his hometown of Urbino.

Following the hallmark of the "I" series, "I, Raphael" author Dagmar Feghelm draws upon the artist's own words in his personal letters to family members and friends to reveal his life's story and inspiration.

The 160 pages are filled with brilliant reproductions of the artist's works — 160 in color, alone. The books retail for \$39 and can be ordered online at www.prestel.com.



Tom Bowden of Grass Lake is among five winners to receive an autographed set of books by the 2005 National Book Award winners. The drawing was sponsored by The National Book Foundation. To be eligible for a 2005 National Book Award, a book must have been published in the United States between Dec. 1, 2004, and Nov. 30, 2005, and must have been written by a United States citizen. Judges chose from 1,195 entries submitted by publishers. Each winner received \$10,000, plus a bronze statue, and each finalist received a bronze medal and a \$1,000 cash award.

Bookworm

Local man wins set of books in contest

By Lisa Vidaurri Bowling
Special Writer

Ask Tom Bowden to tell you about his favorite book and he'll probably put together stack of literary works he thinks are great. And, a couple of them may even bear the author's signature.

The 46-year-old Grass Lake resident is among five winners to receive an autographed set of books by the 2005 National Book Award winners. The drawing is sponsored by The National Book Foundation.

"City Lights, a publisher and book store in San Francisco, sends me monthly e-mails that include information on happenings in literature and publishing," Bowden said. "In October, the letter mentioned that the National Book Foundation, which sponsors the NBA, was hosting a drawing at its Web site."

To be eligible for a 2005 National Book Award, a book must have been published in the United States between Dec. 1, 2004, and Nov. 30, 2005, and must have been written by a United States citizen.

Judges chose from 1,195 entries submitted by publishers. Each winner received \$10,000, plus a bronze statue, and each finalist received a bronze medal and a \$1,000 cash award.

On Nov. 16, at the foundation's 56th annual awards dinner and ceremony, the NBA winners were announced. Four days later, Bowen received an e-mail from the NBF telling him he was one of the lucky five to receive an autographed set.

This year's winners included Joan Didion for "The Year of Magical Thinking" (non-fiction), William Vollmann for "Europe Central" (fiction), W.S. Merwin for "Migration" (poetry), and Jeanne Birdsall for "The Penderwicks" (young people's literature).

"I was elated to have won the set. Two authors are particular favorites of mine — Joan Didion and William Vollmann," Bowden said. "Vollmann is my age, and I've been following his career for the past 15 years. When I heard he had won, I was very gratified for him, because the award is an acknowledgement of a tremendous talent and has been a long time coming. I'm certain he'll eventually win the Nobel Prize for literature."

"When I heard that I had won an autographed copy of his newest book — well, few things can make you happier than a gift from somebody whose works you admire."

To make the win even sweeter, Bowden said Vollmann, who also publishes edition artworks, drew a pair of pictures in addition to penning his name.

Bowden's new autographed collection will join the likes of other bound editions lining the shelves of his personal library. He estimates owning more than 5,300 books.

"I'll shelve my collection with all my other books. I tend to be pretty democratic that way," he said. "I don't subdivide my collection by genre or topic, as they do in libraries, but just by author and title. It's all the same to me."

When he's not working toward a certification in cardiac sonography or spending time with his wife, Lori, and their children, Jenn, 21, and Brianna, 8, Bowden enjoys listening

to music and reading, of course.

He estimates reading 70 to 80 books a year, but hates to think about how much money he spends on his literary hobby.

"I do try to get them either at discount, at the library's book sales or as presents," he said. "I visit the library once or twice a week."

"Reading is the only experience that can take you to any place in the world, at any time; that allows you meet and come to understand people and yourself better," Bowden said. "I think audio books are great. You still have to use your imagination as much as you do reading. Audio books allow you to have that experience at times when it would otherwise not be possible or practical — while driving to work, for example."

Bowden believes the NBA has the best track record for identifying some of America's best authors.

"If a person wants to read something and doesn't know where to start, I'd tell them to see who won the National Book Award," he said.

For more information on the National Book Foundation, presenter of the National Book Awards, log on to their Web site at www.national-book.org.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Friday, Feb. 10

Chelsea Memories program will be held 10 a.m. at the Chelsea Senior Center, 512 E. Washington St., in Chelsea. The free program is open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 475-9242.

Saturday, Feb. 11

Friends of Chelsea District Library used book sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the library meeting room, 500 Washington St. For more information, call 475-5829.

"Waterloo 10,000 Years Ago" program will be held 2 p.m. at Eddy Discovery Center, 17030 Bush Road, in Chelsea. The presentation will take people back in time when Michigan was entirely covered by a glacier. Reservations are required by calling 475-3170.

Chelsea Community Education Preschool's third annual auction will be held 2 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. Admission is free, and the event is open to the entire family. Auction items can be viewed at www.chelseak12.mil.us.

Showcase 2006 with Company C song and dance ensemble will be held 7 p.m. at Chelsea High School Auditorium, 740 Freer Road. Tickets are \$10 and are on sale at Chelsea Pharmacy and at the door.

Artist reception will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. at The Chelsea Center for the Arts, 400 Congdon St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 433-2787.

Sunday, Feb. 12

The New Destiny Quartet will perform 11 a.m. at First Assembly of God, 14900 Old US-12, in Chelsea. A potluck dinner will follow. For more information, call 475-2615.

Monday, Feb. 13

The 6-11 Club kicks off with "The Olympics" 4 to 5 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. The club is for children ages 6 to 11, and features activities that are educational, fun and creative. Snacks will be provided and registration is requested. For more information, call 475-8732.

Kick-off meeting for the 2006 Relay for Life will be held 7 p.m. at the Chelsea Fairgrounds Service Center building.

Tuesday, Feb. 14

"Navigating the Medicare Prescription Program" workshop will be held from 10:30 to noon at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Registration is requested. For more information or to register, call 475-8732.

Valentine's Day lunch and entertainment by The Happiness Boys will be held noon at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. The cost is \$5 and reservations are required by noon Friday. Call 475-9242.

"One Enchanted Evening" will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at The River Gallery, 120 S. Main St., in Chelsea. The event is a fund-raiser for the Chelsea Chamber Players and will include music, art and food. For ticket information, call 475-1033.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

"Wills and Trusts" workshop

with attorney Susan Zeile will be held 7 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Participants will learn about probate, estate taxes and joint ownership. Registration is required and light refreshments will be served. Call 475-8732.

A community forum will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Center for the Arts, 400 Congdon St., in Chelsea. The center is seeking ideas for this year's community partners artist-in-residence project, "Opening the Doors to Knowledge." For more information, call 433-2787.

Thursday, Feb. 16

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 128 E. Park St., in Chelsea. The blood drive is open to the public.

Chelsea Reads Together event will be held 7 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. The topic is "Katrina's Healthcare Crisis for the New Orleans' Middle Class and Working Poor." For more information, call 475-8732.

The Tamarack Greens will meet 7:30 p.m. at the Main Street Coney Island, 1555 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Plans are being made for a film festival and for this year's elections. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, call 433-9102.

"Read to Leo the Library Dog and Friends" will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea. To register or for more information, call 475-8732.

Saturday, Feb. 18

Spinners Rock winter fleece fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Beach Middle School, 445 Mayer Drive, in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-2306.

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.

Books & Bunkers Group meets 1:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Copies of the books are available for registered readers. For information, call 475-8732.

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

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

Mastering Motherhood group meets every Thursday during the school year from 9:15 to 11 a.m. at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, 7665 Warkner Road. The group provides support to mothers through weekly meetings, discussions and book studies. Newcomers are always welcome. For more information, call 475-1391.

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 Wagon Road, in Chelsea. Call 475-7910.

Step aerobics are held from 9 to 10 a.m. at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, 7665 Warkner Road. For more information, call 475-1391.

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 Workman Republicans meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at Cleary's Pub, 113 S. Main St. Call 936-9467.

German Social Club meets 1 p.m. the last Saturday of the month at Wolven restaurant, 20480 Old US-12. Call 475-1583.

Prayerful Hands Group meets monthly at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1515 S. Main St., in Chelsea. The group knits, crochets, sews and quilts for those in need. For more information, call the church at 475-1404 or 475-1295.

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 1-800-852-8781.

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, 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Chelsea hospital dining room, and noon on Tuesday and Wednesday at First Congregational Church, 121 E. Middle St.

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.

Circuit training classes are held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Friday and Thursday at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, 7665 Warkner Road. For more information, call 475-1391.

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

Masonic Lodge 136 of Chelsea meets 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at 1113 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 from 6 to 7 p.m. every Monday at the Covenant Church, 50 N. Freer Road. For more information, call 935-1835.

Step aerobics are held from 9 to 10 a.m. every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, 7665 Warkner Road. For more information, call 475-1391.

Taste of Home Café serves lunch at noon Monday through Friday at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St. It's open to the public with a \$2.50 donation for senior citizens 60 years or older, and \$5 for all others. Reservations are required one day in advance. For information or reservations, call 475-9242.

Tuesday

Chelsea District Library Board meets 6:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

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

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

Euclyne 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 712-3825.

"Senior Computing: One to One" workshop is held from 10 a.m. to noon the first and third Tuesdays each month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. There is no charge, but registration is required. To register or for more information, call 475-8732.

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

Silver Sneakers workout classes are held from 8 to 8:45 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, 7665 Warkner Road. For more information, call 475-1391.

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Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson

Bulldog Sean Cleary placed first in the one-meter diving competition, with 235.85 points, in Chelsea's tri-meet at Battle Creek Lakeview last Saturday.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Chelsea tankers compete in tri-meet

Bulldogs fall to Lakeview, but defeat Northern last Saturday

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' swimming and diving team competed in a tri-meet at Battle Creek Lakeview last Saturday, falling to the host Spartans 106-74 and defeating Portage Northern 113-63.

"We had to get ourselves up for a meet with Battle Creek Lakeview for the ribbon cutting of their new swimming complex," said Chelsea coach Dave Jolly. "What an awesome facility. We beat Portage, but fell short against Battle Creek. We made too many little mistakes."

In the 200 medley relay, the Bulldog quartet of Dominic Conybears, Jake Heydlauff, James Bassett and Jake Policht finished fourth with a time of 1:59.84.

Chelsea's Rick Kinsey placed first in the 200 freestyle in 1:52.28. Benji Kellogg was sixth in 2:03.67, while Doug Wrathall was

eighth in 2:17.19 for the Bulldogs.

Jordan Skidmore touched second in the 200 individual medley with a clocking of 2:14.74, while Ivan Solovev was third in 2:18.64 for Chelsea. Michael Lawrence ended up seventh for the Bulldogs in 2:30.09.

In the 50 freestyle, Nick Armstrong finished first in 23.09 for Chelsea. Andrew Ballow was third in 23.88, while Brett Kruse was seventh in 24.74.

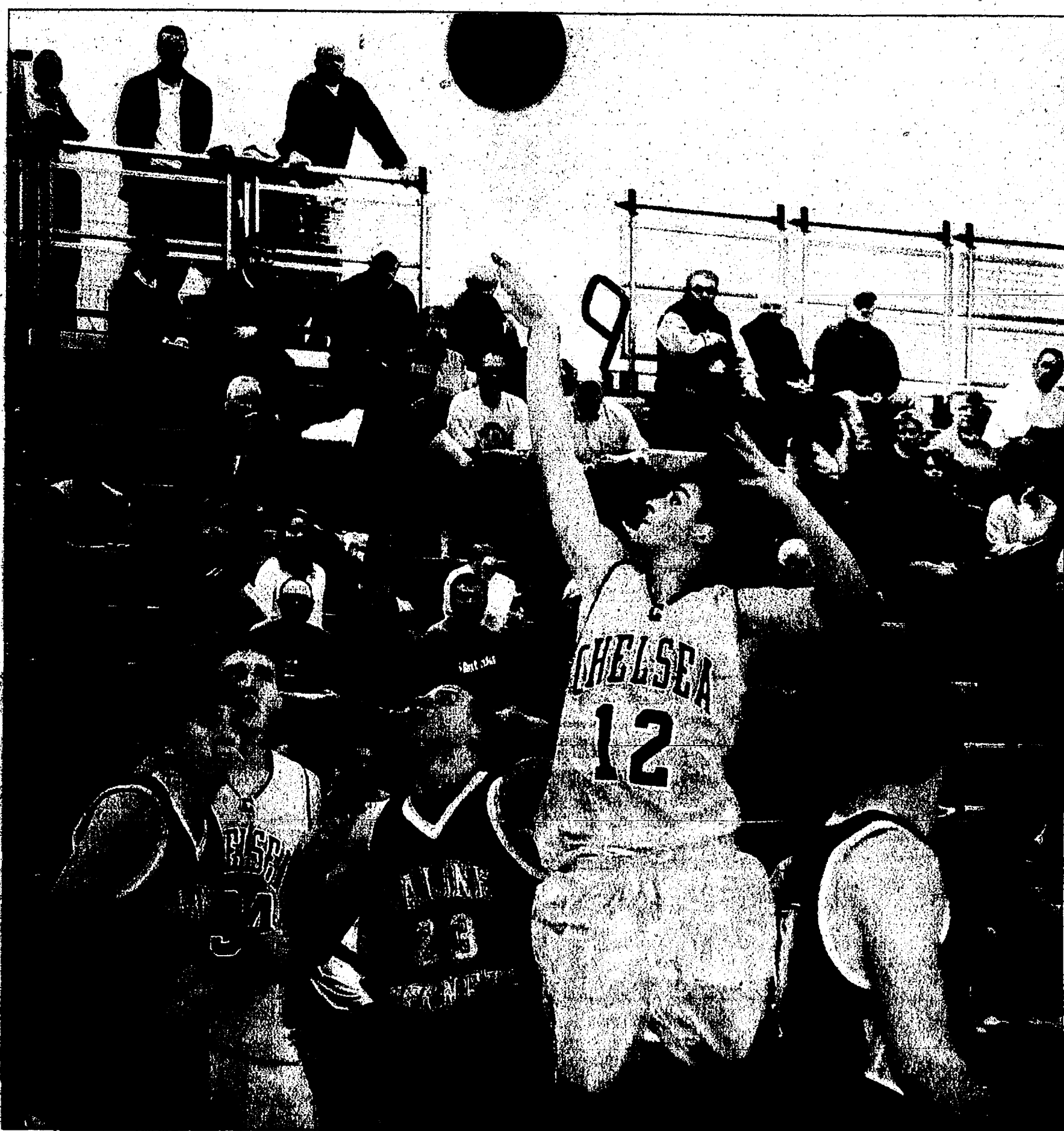
Sean Cleary finished first in the one-meter diving competition with 235.85 points.

Solovev placed fourth in the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:02.32, while Lawrence was fifth in 1:05.84 and Nick Dyerly seventh in 1:14.12 for the Bulldogs.

Armstrong picked up his second win of the meet, besting the field in the 100 freestyle in 50.84. Ballow was sixth in 53.65, while Brett Kruse was eighth in 56.60.

In the 500 freestyle, Kinsey recorded his second victory of the day, winning in 5:07.98. Bassett was sixth in 5:52.21, while Doug Wrathall was ninth in 6:38.34.

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Photos courtesy of Burrill Strong

Chelsea junior guard Nate Schwarze scored 13 points, in the No. 8-ranked Bulldogs' 54-10 victory over Saline last Friday.

BASKETBALL

Bulldogs clamp down on Hornets

Chelsea allows only 10 points in dominating win over Saline

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

You know what they say about paybacks.

Well, last Friday, the Chelsea boys' basketball team avenged one of its two losses this season, in a big way, defeating visiting Saline 54-10.

Yes, that's 54-10.

In the season's second game, the Hornets (11-2) beat the Bulldogs 46-42, Dec. 9.

Since that setback, Chelsea (11-2, 5-1), ranked No. 8 in Class B, has gone 8-1, losing only on a last-second tip-in to state-ranked Haslett last December. The Bulldogs are currently on a seven-game win streak.

Last Friday, Chelsea's ball hawking, pressure defense, drove the Bulldogs to an easier-than-expected victory over the always tough Hornets.

"We were ready to play," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "I could tell before the game that we were ready to play. We had that look in our eye. We wanted to get after them defensively. In the first game at Saline, they beat us on the inside. We wanted to win the battle of the paint."

The Bulldogs won the battle of the paint, the battle of the boards, and every other conceivable battle one could think of last Friday.

Chelsea raced out to a 17-2 first quarter lead. At half-time, the Bulldogs increased their advantage to 26-8.

Entering the fourth quarter, Chelsea led 44-8.

Despite a huge lead, Raymond said he was never really at ease on the bench.

"I never felt safe," he said. "Even with a 20-6 lead at the half, I still didn't feel safe. I



Bulldog players Cam Hawkins (left), Nate Schwarze, Matt Weber and John Mantel return to the bench after Chelsea's victory over Saline last Friday.

felt the first four minutes of the third quarter was important."

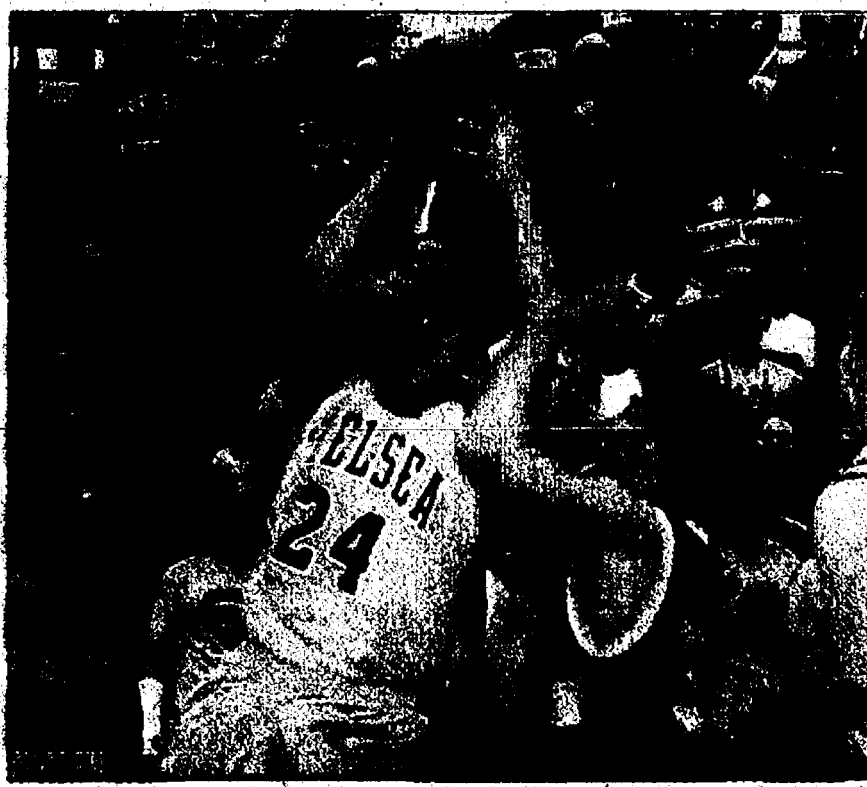
"We needed to play like we were 20 points down. We needed to have that mindset. I didn't want to be complacent. Saline has such an explosive team. We came out and had an 18-2 quarter. By the end of the third quarter, I finally felt comfortable."

At the 6:00 mark of the fourth quarter, with Chelsea leading by 40 points, a running clock was used.

"We played hard," Raymond said. "I thought the key for us was the job Nate Schwarze did on (Saline point guard David) Stasiak. That set the tone for our defense."

The normally high-scoring Stasiak finished with two points.

In the paint, an area of concern heading into the game for Raymond, Chelsea dominated. The Hornets' two big horses down low, 6-foot-5 senior Alex Mueller and 6-2, 260-pound junior Vince Helmuth, who recently committed to the University of Michigan for football, were completely



Chelsea junior guard Jon Seelbach goes up for two points, despite being fouled, during the Bulldogs' 54-10 win over Saline last Friday.

shut out, with neither player scoring.

Bulldog 6-foot-8, 220-pound senior forward John Mantel paced Chelsea with a double-double of 15 points, including two triples, 10 rebounds and three blocked shots.

Junior point guard

Schwarze (5-10) added 13 points, with three three-pointers, six rebounds, five steals and four assists, while junior swing player Micah Hudson (6-2) had eight points and three boards for Chelsea.

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HOCKEY

Howell uses power play to beat Bulldogs

Extra man advantage too much for Chelsea to overcome

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea hockey lost to host Howell 3-1 last Saturday.

The Highlanders, ranked No. 7 in Division I, scored on two of their four power play goals to secure the victory.

The Bulldogs (13-4-2), ranked No. 3 in Division III, have played four state-ranked teams, winning one in their last five games.

Chelsea owns one of the area's toughest schedules. Despite the strength of schedule and their recent setbacks, Bulldog coach Don Wright remained positive.

"We want to play tough competition," he said. "Win or lose, it will make us a better team. It prepares us for the state tournament. That's our goal."

Against Howell, Chelsea entered the third period tied with the Highlanders 0-0.

To begin the third period, the Bulldogs were a man down, playing shorthanded.

Despite a disadvantage, Chelsea's Schyler Williams scored an unassisted short-handed goal, one minute into the third period, giving the Bulldogs a 1-0 advantage.

Howell, however, responded two minutes later, despite a gallant effort by Chelsea. After killing off a 5-on-3 two-man advantage, the Bulldogs faced a 5-on-4, with one defender breaking a stick. The overwhelming Highlander pressure finally got to Chelsea, as Aaron Cosellian scored a power-play goal, tying the game at 1-1.

One minute later, with momentum in their favor, Howell's Jordan Passino scored an even-strength goal, vaulting the Highlanders into the lead at 2-1.

At the 9:04 mark of the third period, the Highlanders' Bobby Rusho scored a power-play goal for the night's final margin.

Howell out-shot the Bulldogs 31-21 for the contest.

"It was a real good game," Wright said. "In the first two periods, I thought we did a good job of working the puck down low in front of the net."

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BOWLING

Herter's 522 series leads Chelsea

The Chelsea boys' bowling team continued its winning ways last week, defeating Tecumseh 22-8 last Friday.

Leading the No. 10-ranked Bulldogs was Austin Herter, who had a two-game total of 522 (287-235), while Michael Calus had a total of 422 (202-220).

Greg VanOrman added a 396 series (194-202), while Jonathan Thompson had a 336 (166-170) for Chelsea.

Pacing the Indians was Greg Cattell with a 422 series (216-206).

"Tecumseh is one of the best programs we will face all season," said Chelsea coach Ed Greenleaf. "It is very satisfying to come away with a win against a team that is as solid as they are."

In the girls' match, Tecumseh prevailed 27-3.

Leading the Bulldogs was Kristen Coulter with a 375 series (182-193).

Jamie Gipson added a 352 (168-184), while Sarah Gilley had a 322 (134-188) and Alicia Lambdin a 294 (146-148) for Chelsea. Tera McCormick had a 157 for the Dawgs.

Katie Ryder had a 407 series (232-175) and Christie Cooper had a 396 (193-203) to spark the Indians.

"I am very proud of our girls today," Greenleaf said. "They bowled extremely well against a team that is headed to the state finals."

In the boys' JV match, Tecumseh won 29-1.

Zach Green led Chelsea with a 169, while Eric Marzac had a 149.

In the girls' JV contest, the Indians bested the Bulldogs 22-8.

Laura Strader topped Chelsea with a 260 series (141-119).



Members of Chelsea's No. 10-ranked boys' varsity bowling squad include, front row, Jonathan Thompson (left), Michael Calus, Austin Herter and Jon Gipson; back row, coach Justin Navin (left), Josh Praedel, Nick Huehl, J.C. Solomon, Greg VanOrman and head coach Ed Greenleaf.

Last Thursday, the Bulldogs defeated Ann Arbor Huron 25-5 in a varsity boys' match.

Chelsea's two-game pin total of 2,111 was a Washawee Conference high this season.

Calus finished with a 470 series (289-181) to lead the Bulldogs. Herter added a 457 series (215-242), while VanOrman had a 384 series (161-203). Thompson had a 256 game, while Jon Gipson rolled a 213 for Chelsea.

Jamie Linn paced the River Rats with a 467 series (245-222).

"This is a good win for us," Greenleaf said. "It shows the versatility of the team and the fact that we can put up

big numbers on the road." In the girls' match, the Bulldogs defeated Huron 28-2.

Lambdin led Chelsea with a 354 series (138-216). Coulter finished with a 342 (162-180), while Jamie Gipson had a 312 (139-173).

"This is an impressive win for our girls," Greenleaf said. "It keeps them in contention to win the conference championship."

In the boys' JV match, Huron won 24-6.

Joey Hansen led Chelsea with a 294 series (115-179). Jim Leach had a 283 series (140-143), as did Drake Olejniczak (137-146). Andy Gerace had a 265 (128-137),

while Alex Mote had a 247 (104-143) for the Bulldogs.

In the girls' JV contest, Chelsea defeated the River Rats 17-13.

Strader led the Bulldogs with a 270 (134-136). Laura Koski had a 236 (133-103), while Kayla Schlanderer had a 210 (126-84) for Chelsea.

"We are excited about the potential of all of our JV and freshmen bowlers," Greenleaf said.

MEET

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The Chelsea foursome of Brett Kruse, Ryan Wrathall, Solovev and Lawrence finished fourth in the 200 freestyle relay with a clocking of 1:42.22.

Skidmore touched first in the 100 backstroke with a time of 59.50. Conybeare was fourth in 1:06.54, while Todd Kruse was seventh in 1:10.78.

Kellogg ended up second in the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.56. Heydlauff finished sixth in 1:13.73, while Nat Christman was eighth in 1:17.21 for the Bulldogs.

In the 400 freestyle relay, Armstrong, Ballow, Skidmore and Kinsey placed first in 3:30.12.

Last Friday, visiting Chelsea lost to Tecumseh 117-69.

"Our consistency is just not there," Jolly said. "We make the same mistakes over and over. I sort of feel like the Detroit Lions right now. I see a ton of potential, but I can't get everyone on the same page."

Jolly said the loss to the Indians was a heartbreaker.

"We swam flat, which is common for this time of

year," he said. "With a team like Tecumseh, who is much improved, it was just not the week to be off. Tecumseh was not that solid either, but their overall depth was our demise."

The Bulldog combo of Brett Kruse, Conybeare, Kellogg and Lawrence finished third in 1:54.95 in the 200 medley relay.

Skidmore placed third in the 200 freestyle in 1:59.54, while Dyerly was fifth in 2:10.39 and Doug Wrathall sixth in 2:14.17.

Armstrong was second in the 200 individual medley in 2:11.86, while Solovev was fourth in 2:18.75 and Lawrence fifth in 2:28.26.

In the 50 freestyle, Ballow ended up second in 24.11, while Brett Kruse was fourth in 24.79 and Policht fifth in 25.06 for Chelsea.

Cleary captured the one-meter diving event with 261.70 points. Eric Massey was fourth with 145.50 points for the Bulldogs.

Skidmore placed second in the 100 butterfly with a time of 59.17, while Lawrence was fifth in 1:04.96 and Bassett sixth in 1:19.17.

Armstrong finished second in the 100 freestyle with a

clocking of 51.48, while Ballow was fourth in 53.72 and Doug Wrathall sixth in 1:00.85.

Kellogg ended up third in the 500 freestyle in 5:41.24. Dyerly was fifth in 6:01.00, while Bassett was sixth in 6:02.01 for Chelsea.

In the 200 freestyle relay, Brett Kruse, Ballow, Armstrong and Skidmore placed second in 1:36.48.

Conybeare touched third in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:06.92. Todd Kruse was fifth in 1:12.55, while Ryan Wrathall was sixth in 1:14.20.

Solovev finished third in the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.69. Christman was fourth in 1:16.62, while Heydlauff was fifth in 1:16.67 for the Bulldogs.

In the 400 freestyle relay, the Chelsea foursome of Brett Kruse, Armstrong, Ballow and Skidmore placed first in 3:39.58. Dyerly, Lawrence, Policht and Kellogg ended up third with a clocking of 3:53.47.

The Bulldogs next travel to county rival Dexter for a meet 6:30 p.m. Friday.

On Feb. 16, Chelsea hosts Ypsilanti Lincoln for a meet at 6:30 p.m.

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FOOTBALL

Boyer, Brezee sign to play college football

Chelsea players continue tradition of outstanding linemen

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

In what's seemingly becoming old hat in these parts, Chelsea last week had two offensive linemen sign letters of intent to continue their football careers at the collegiate level.

With C.J. Boyer's signing with Saginaw Valley State University and Levi Brezee's pledge to play for Central Michigan University, the Bulldogs now have had six linemen earn scholarships in the past six years.

Included in that group are Joe Tripodi, who started at offensive guard for Northwestern this past season, and Nick Toth, who signed with Eastern Michigan University last year.

"We've had a great run of offensive linemen," said Chelsea coach Brad Bush.

Bush said the Bulldogs are building a strong tradition of churning out quality linemen.

"We've been really fortunate," he said. "We've had a lot of guys who are very unselfish. Linemen don't usually receive a lot of recognition. We put a lot of emphasis on putting good athletes on the offensive line."

Boyer (6-foot-3, 285) is one of those quality athletes. Also one of the top baseball players in the area, Boyer, an offensive guard, will participate in this year's Michigan High School Football

Coaches Association East-West All-Star Game this summer. A first-team All-State selection this past season, Boyer, who was recruited by Toledo, Bowling Green State, Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Western Michigan, said signing with Division II SVSU wasn't a disappointment.

"I could have been gray-shirted, which means I'd go to a community college and then transfer to a Division I school like Toledo or some other MAC (Mid-American Conference) school," he said. "Grand Valley State offered me (a scholarship) as well. I felt comfortable at Saginaw Valley."

Boyer, who bench presses 340 pounds, squats 540 pounds and runs a 5.1 40-yard dash, said he still plans on playing Division I college football before it's all said and done.

"I'm going to transfer up in a year or two to a Division I school," he said. "The (Saginaw Valley) coaches told me I was a Division I-caliber player. They said I was a steal."

Bush said Boyer is a very skilled player.

"He's an outstanding long snapper," he said. "He moves well. He plays football the right way, physical and hard. He plays to the whistle."

Brezee was a late bloomer, at least when it came to the game of football. At 6-7, 270, he definitely had the frame for the gridiron, but, at one time, he didn't have the desire.

"I never thought I'd play Division I football," he said. "I didn't even play football

until two years ago. Coach Bush and some of my friends talked me into playing."

And what a player he's become. Despite his hulking size, Brezee moves with a smoothness and coordination not often seen in athletes his size.

"He's only scratched the surface of his ability," Bush said. "He didn't start until this year. For a big guy, he has great flexibility and great feet. He could develop into a real special player."

Brezee, who benches 310 and runs a 5.0 40, said it was a gut feeling that compelled him to sign with CMU.

"I was able to get along with the guys pretty well," he said. "I felt comfortable. I liked the coaches and I liked their philosophy. I liked their offense and how they do things."

EMU and Toledo were other schools looking to sign the big Bulldog offensive tackle.

"It feels great," he said, about signing his letter of intent. "I never really thought about it (playing college football). I'm a little surprised."

Both Boyer and Brezee said Chelsea football helped mold them into the players they are today.

"I've come a long way in two years," Brezee said. "I've learned a lot. I didn't know anything when I started. I

didn't even know how many points you scored when you made a touchdown."

Boyer said Bush has pushed him to become a better player.

"Coach Bush is the best coach I've ever had," he said. "He's helped me with everything. Whenever I needed him, I could call him."

Boyer said he'd never forget being a Bulldog football player.

"It's always been a dream for any little kid around here to play Chelsea football," he said. "The history, and the tradition. It goes by real fast. It hurts that I'm leaving, but hopefully I set a good example for the little kids to follow. I'll always remember running out onto the field, under the banner, under the lights, with the band playing."

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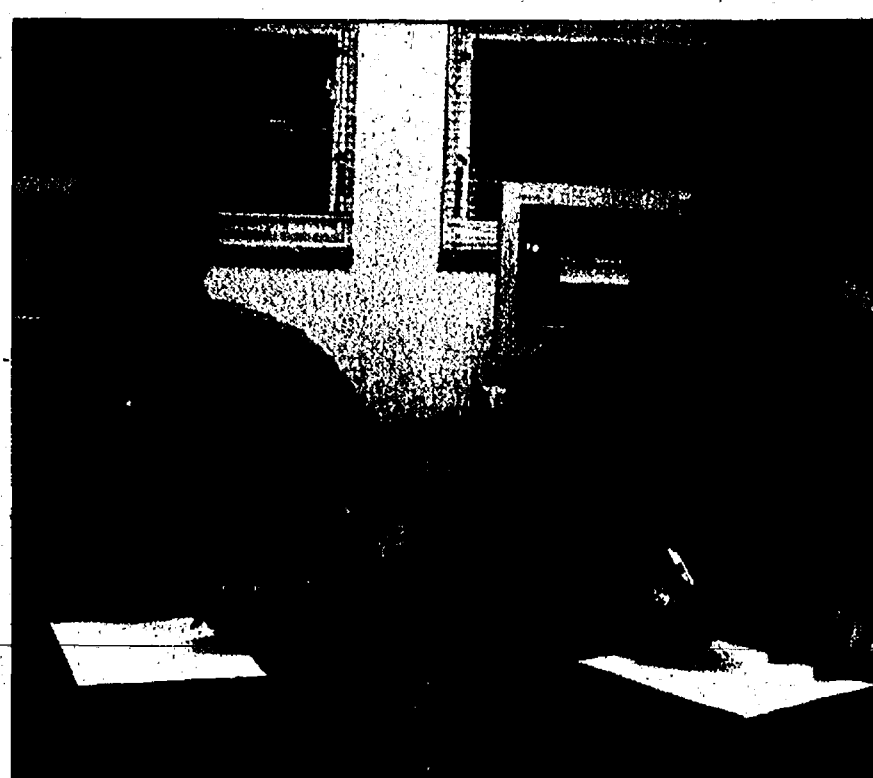


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Chelsea's C.J. Boyer (left) and Levi Brezee last week signed football letters of intent with Saginaw Valley State University and Central Michigan University, respectively.

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VOLLEYBALL

Dawgs fall to Saline

Chelsea volleyball lost to host Saline in a five-game marathon last Thursday.

Sarah Iverson led the Bulldogs with 17 kills.

Kaly Coburn added 18 digs, while Maggie Dusbiber finished with a team-high 39 assists for Chelsea.

Last Saturday, the Bulldogs participated in the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational.

Chelsea reached the tournament quarterfinals before falling to state power Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern in three games.

In pool play, the Bulldogs

finished second overall, defeating Saginaw Heritage and splitting with Belle River and Adrian.

Iverson led Chelsea with 23 kills.

Ann Kendzicky and Paige Denison each recorded 17 kills, while Dusbiber had 23 digs for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea next travels to county rival Dexter for a match 7 p.m. Thursday.

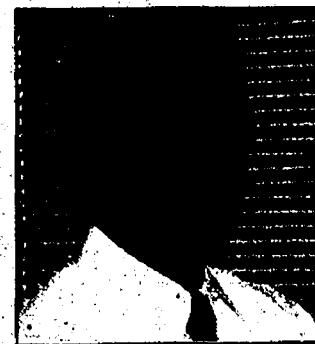
On Saturday, the Bulldogs travel to Temperance Bedford to compete in its invitational at 8:30 a.m.

On Tuesday, Chelsea hosts Ann Arbor Pioneer at 7 p.m.

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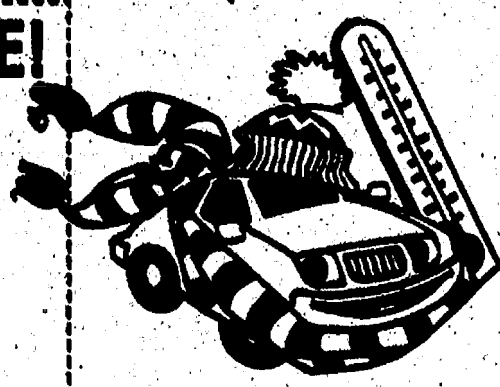
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SWIMMING AND DIVING

Beach ends year with win

Chelsea's Beach Middle School swimming and diving team capped off their season with wins in their last two dual meets against Ypsilanti Lincoln, 120-50, and Milan, 105-65, last week.

The squad also performed well at the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (MISCA) State Invitational.

The MISCA meet was held in Plainwell this past weekend, and included 57 teams from across the state competing for medals. No team scores were kept in the meet.

"This is always a fun meet for us," said Chelsea coach Dave Brinklow. "It's our only meet of the season where the girls and boys swim separately, and gives us a chance to see how we compare with other teams around the state. We really swam well and had some huge time drops, so it was a great way to end the season."

Beach eighth-grader Evan Phillips was the highest individual finisher for Chelsea, placing third in the 50 freestyle with a time of 25.62.

Viren Rana, Jonathan Skidmore, Pete Kinsey and Phillips finished fifth in the 400 freestyle relay with a clocking of 4:14.46.

Jacob Bogarin teamed with Phillips, Kinsey and Rana for an 11th-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay in 1:56.94.

The 200 medley relay team of Andrew Wickens, Skidmore, Kinsey and Phillips finished 18th.

Rana touched fifth in the 200 freestyle with a personal best time of 2:11.44.

Skidmore also swam the 200 freestyle, stopping the clock in a lifetime best of 2:22.72 for 15th place.

Rana finished 11th in the 50 butterfly with a mark of 31.72.

Skidmore was 17th in the 100 backstroke with a personal best of 1:14.96.

In diving, Chelsea's Michael Heydlauff placed

seventh, rounding out the individual scoring for the boys' squad with 128.30 points.

The girls' meet started off with a season best 2:12.52 from Sarah Daniel, Michelle Kellogg, Olivia DeTroyer and Jaclyn Murphy in the 200-medley relay, which was good for seventh place.

Daniel, Kellogg, DeTroyer and Murphy also finished seventh in the 400 freestyle relay with another season best time of 4:16.98.

In the individual events, Lauren Dark led the way for Beach, finishing sixth in diving with 146.95 points.

DeTroyer was seventh in the 50 freestyle with a personal best of 27.22 seconds. Kellogg was ninth in the 100 breaststroke in 1:20.08, while Murphy finished 15th in the 200 freestyle with a personal best of 2:20.29.

In the Milan meet, the 200 freestyle relay team of DeTroyer, Kellogg, Rana and Phillips finished first, followed by Lucy Drinkwater, Claudia Bravo, Saige Rutherford and Skidmore in third place. Alexis Alvarado, Hannah Olsen, Wickens and Kinsey ended up fifth for Beach.

In the 200 freestyle, Rana was first, while Murphy was second and Daniel fifth for the Bulldogs.

DeTroyer won the 100 individual medley, followed by Skidmore in third and Olsen in fourth.

In the 50 freestyle, it was Phillips touching first, while Kellogg was second and Rutherford third.

Dark was second in diving, followed by Heydlauff in third and Matt Howard in fourth for Chelsea.

Rana won the 50 butterfly, with DeTroyer second and Bravo fourth.

In the 100 freestyle Phillips ended up first, while Murphy was third and Daniel fourth for Beach.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Kellogg, Murphy, Rana and DeTroyer finished first, while Donna

Prieskorn, Kelly O'Keefe, Rutherford and Kinsey placed third, and Joe Haroney, Henry Rutherford, Olsen and Bogarin fourth for Beach.

Skidmore was second in the 100 backstroke, with Bravo third and Alvarado sixth. In the 100 breaststroke, Kellogg was second, Drinkwater fourth and Olsen fifth.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Murphy, Daniel, Prieskorn and Phillips placed second, while O'Keefe, Haroney, Kinsey and Skidmore ended up third and Rutherford, Bogarin, Wickens and Bravo fifth for the Bulldogs.

Against Ypsilanti Lincoln, the 200 medley relay team of Devyn Trester, Kellogg, Rana and Kinsey placed first.

Phillips won the 200 freestyle followed by Alexis Roberts in second and Bogarin in third. In the 100 individual medley, Rutherford placed second, while Wickens was third and Katie Frankhart fourth.

Julie Beaumont was second in the 50 freestyle, followed by Sara Dixon in fourth and Ashlyn Brinklow in fifth.

In the diving event, Howard finished second, while Zach Petoskey was third and Colby Wrathall fifth.

Rana won the 50 butterfly, with Haroney second and Claire Golec third for Chelsea. Daniel won the 100 freestyle, with O'Keefe second and Bogarin fifth.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Rutherford, Kinsey, Kellogg and Haroney touched first for Beach.

DeTroyer won the 100 backstroke, followed by Murphy in third and Trester in fifth. In the 100 breaststroke, Kinsey was first, while Olsen was second and Drinkwater third.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Murphy, O'Keefe, Skidmore and Golec finished first for the Bulldogs.



Champion Gymnastics finished first at the Tulip City Invitational last month. Members of the squad include Stephanie Lim (left), Claire Tewksbury, Alyssa Young, Catie O'Sullivan, Rachel Marks, Emily Black and Chelsea Larsen.

GYMNASTICS

Champion blossoms at Tulip City

Champion Gymnastics' Level 5 squad finished first at the Tulip City Invitational, which was held Jan. 20 through 22 in Holland.

The Washtenaw County-based club captured all-around titles in four out of five age groups at the meet.

In the 7- and 8-year-old division, Champion's Maddie Kurcz placed first all-around. She finished first on floor (9.025), bars (9.0), third on beam and fifth on vault.

In the 9-year-old bracket, Taylor Livingston finished first all-around for Champion with a meet high score of 36.450. She recorded a 9.0 on vault, a 9.225 on bars, 9.150 on beam and a 9.075 on floor.

Also in the 9-year-old group, Alex Hatzopoulos finished fifth on bars and sixth on beam for Champion, while Alyssa Carr was second on vault, third on bars, third on beam, third on floor and third all-around.

In the 10-year-old division, Champion's Emily Slater placed first all-around. She was first on beam (9.35), second on floor, third on vault and third on bars. Gabby Ralph ended up third all-around, finishing first on floor (9.125), second on bars and fourth on beam.

In the advanced 10-year-old bracket, Galina Trasko placed first all-around for Champion with a score of 36.175. She finished first on bars, first on floor, first on beam and first on vault.

In the 11-year-old group,

Morgan Taylor placed fifth all-around. She was third on beam and fifth on floor for Champion.

Coaching the Level 5 squad was Kristy Reske.

Also Jan. 20 through 22, Champion's optional teams, including Level 7, Level 8 and Level 9 squads, competed at the Sand Dollar Invitational in Orlando, Fla.

The meet was held at Walt Disney World's Wide World of Sports Complex.

In the Level 7 meet, Champion's Stephanie Lim placed second on floor exercise. Teammate Claire Tewksbury was third on beam (9.1) and fifth on vault (9.1).

In the Level 8 event, Alyssa Young ended up third on beam, and finished with an all-around score of 34.6 in the Junior B Division.

In the Level 8 Senior Division, Emily Black placed sixth on vault, eighth on floor and ninth all-around for Champion. Chelsea Larsen was fourth on floor (9.2), fifth on bars, 10th on vault and seventh all-around.

In the Level 9 Junior B Division, Rachel Marks placed first on vault (9.075), fourth on bars (9.025), sixth on floor and sixth all-around (34.375) for Champion.

Coaching the optional teams were David Patterson and Michelle Patterson.

SOCCER

Lightning beat Arsenal 4-2

The Chelsea Soccer Club U-10 boys Blue Lightning team defeated previously unbeaten Ann Arbor Arsenal 4-2 last Sunday in indoor soccer action at Wide World of Sports in Ann Arbor.

Leading Chelsea was Ricky Cassell, who had two goals.

Dominick Goderis and Jake Becker each scored one goal for the Lightning.

Earning the victory in net for Chelsea was keeper Chad

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Also performing well for the Lightning were Tommy Vincent, Daniel Klink, Luke Heuman, James Biller, Keith Hoeflinger, Brandon Cameron and Brian Wellman.

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WHEREAS, recent amendments effective January 9, 2002 states the legislative body may assert the right to approve or reject a plan prepared by the Planning Commission in the form of a resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea Planning Commission is currently developing a Master Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea City Council believes such plan is an important tool in furthering the development and success of the City, provides a sound basis for zoning and other requirements, and desires the opportunity to be involved in the planning process and development of the document.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Chelsea City Council shall assert its authority to approve or reject the Master Plan for the City of Chelsea once it is presented to them by the Planning Commission, in accordance with plan preparation and adoption procedures set forth in Michigan Public Act 285 of 1931, as amended.

I, Teresa Burch, Clerk of the City of Chelsea, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Chelsea, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, at a meeting held on the 24th day of January 2006, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act No. 287, Public Acts of Michigan, 1978, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting.

Teresa Burch, City Clerk

Publish: February 9, 2006

LYNDON TOWNSHIP NOTICE ATTENTION LYNDON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A WORK SESSION

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M. AT
THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP HALL
17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD, CHELSEA, MI 48118

AGENDA:

A Planning Commission Work Session

Written comments may be sent to: Carol A. Morrow, Office Manager of Lyndon Township, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.

The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids or services to individual with disabilities at the public hearing.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Lyndon Township Board by writing or calling: Carol A. Morrow, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118 or phone 734-475-2401.

A copy of this notice is on file in the Office of the Clerk.

LYNDON TOWNSHIP
Linda Reilly, Clerk

Publish: February 9, 2006

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the

TOWNSHIP OF SYLVAN

County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan

That the Assessment Roll of said Township will be reviewed by the Board of Review on March 7, 2006 at 9:00 am.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL

18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, Michigan

Appeals and conferences with taxpayers will be heard on:

MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2006

from 9-12 noon and 1-4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2006

from 2-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

and additional days if determined

necessary by the Board of Review

STATEWIDE TAXABLE VALUE INCREASE FOR 2006 IS 3.3% (multiplier is 1.033).

| 2006 Starting Ratio | Class | Average Multiplier |
|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 43.16 | Agriculture | 1.1585 |
| 46.65 | Commercial | 1.0718 |
| 46.11 | Industrial | 1.0393 |
| 48.68 | Residential | 1.0271 |
| 34.74 | Developmental | 1.4393 |

The Sylvan Township Board of Review will hear appeals by letter or appointment. Appointments may be made by calling 475-8890 on Mondays or Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 12 Noon, or contacting the Assessor.

MICHAEL WILLIAMS, SUPERVISOR

Publish: February 9, 2006

February 16, 2006

February 23, 2006

WEBSTER TOWNSHIP BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2006
AT 7:30 P.M. AS A PART OF THEIR REGULAR
MEETING, AT THE WEBSTER TOWNSHIP HALL AT
5665 WEBSTER CHURCH ROAD, DEXTER, MI 48130

AGENDA:

To hear a request, by David Skjaerlund, for a variance to the Private Road Ordinance, 92-5 Rev B Sec 5 A from 66 ft wide to 33 ft wide for Country Lane Parcel # 03-03-300-002.

Those with disabilities must notify the Township Clerk no less than 7 (seven) days prior to the meeting, so that accommodations can be furnished to satisfy their disability and allow for meaningful attendance.

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk

Posted 01/30/06

Publish: February 9, 2006

SUGARLOAF LAKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS SECOND PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DESIRABILITY OF IMPLEMENTING A WASHTENAW COUNTY LAKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

TO: ALL THE RECORD OWNERS OF, AND PARTIES WITH INTEREST IN, ANY LANDS WITHIN THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT DESCRIBED BELOW:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Washtenaw County Board of Public Works (WCBPW) has declared its intention to implement a Lake Improvement Project for Sugarloaf Lake in Lyndon Township in Washtenaw County described as follows:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed Project will provide lake improvement to Sugarloaf Lake in Washtenaw County in order to provide control of invasive and nuisance aquatic weeds. The Project shall include chemical application and subsequent spot applications for a five-year period. It shall also include all necessary regulatory approvals and studies for the application.

The total cost of the Project over the five-year period is estimated at \$100,000.

The WCBPW has tentatively designated a special assessment district against which all or a part of the cost of such Project is to be assessed, which district consists of the following lands:

All tax parcels identified as having lake access and use of the waters of Sugarloaf Lake located in Sections 31 and 32 in Lyndon Township, Washtenaw County.

Each parcel identified above will be assessed the following amounts based on the type of property (the cost is the total cost for the five (5) year project):

Non-waterfront residential properties with lake access \$ 600

Waterfront residential properties \$1,395

A report describing the Project including program elements and cost estimates has been prepared and is on file with the Washtenaw County Director of Public Works. The report is available for public examination at the Department of Planning and Environment, 705 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107. The offices are located on the second floor of the Washtenaw County Western Service Center. To ask questions or obtain information on the project, please call 734 222 6865.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Public Works will meet on Monday, February 13, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Local Time, or as soon thereafter as may be heard, at the Lyndon Township Hall, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, Michigan for the purpose of hearing all interested parties concerning such improvements and the special assessment district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the owner or any person having an interest in property that is specially assessed may file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after confirmation of the special assessment roll. However, appearance and protest at the public hearing on the special assessment roll are required in order to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or a party in interest or his or her agent may (1) appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment or (2) file his or her appearance or protest by letter before the close of the hearing.

The Board of Public Works shall maintain a record of parties who appear to protest at the hearing. If the hearing is terminated or adjourned for the day before a party is provided the opportunity to be heard, a party whose appearance was recorded shall be considered to have protested the special assessment in person.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
Daniel R. Myers, P.E.
Director of Public Works

DATED: February 2, 2006

Publish: February 2, 2006 & February 9, 2006

WRESTLING

Chelsea third at Holly meet

Schiller, Thayer, Suffety finish unbeaten at tournament

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea wrestling finished third at the six-team Holly Invitational last Saturday.

Southgate Anderson captured the overall title.

"They didn't have any weak spots in their line-up," said Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel, of Anderson.

Cody Schiller (145 pounds), Phil Thayer (160) and A.J. Suffety (189) led the Bulldogs, each finishing 5-0 on the day.

Drew Wint (171) and Austin Rodgers (215) each ended up 4-1 for Chelsea, while Glen Cobb (103) and Doug Devol (heavyweight) each were 3-2.

Sam Birgy (heavyweight) finished 1-1, while Danny Ngo (125), Matt Schultz (130), Evan Helvey (135) and Kevin Rosentreter (152) each recorded 2-3 marks for the Bulldogs.

Jamin Breslin (119) ended up 2-4, while Kyle Colburn (140) was 1-2 for Chelsea. Donnie Reidel (140) and Tim Rosentreter (heavyweight) each finished 0-2 for the Bulldogs.

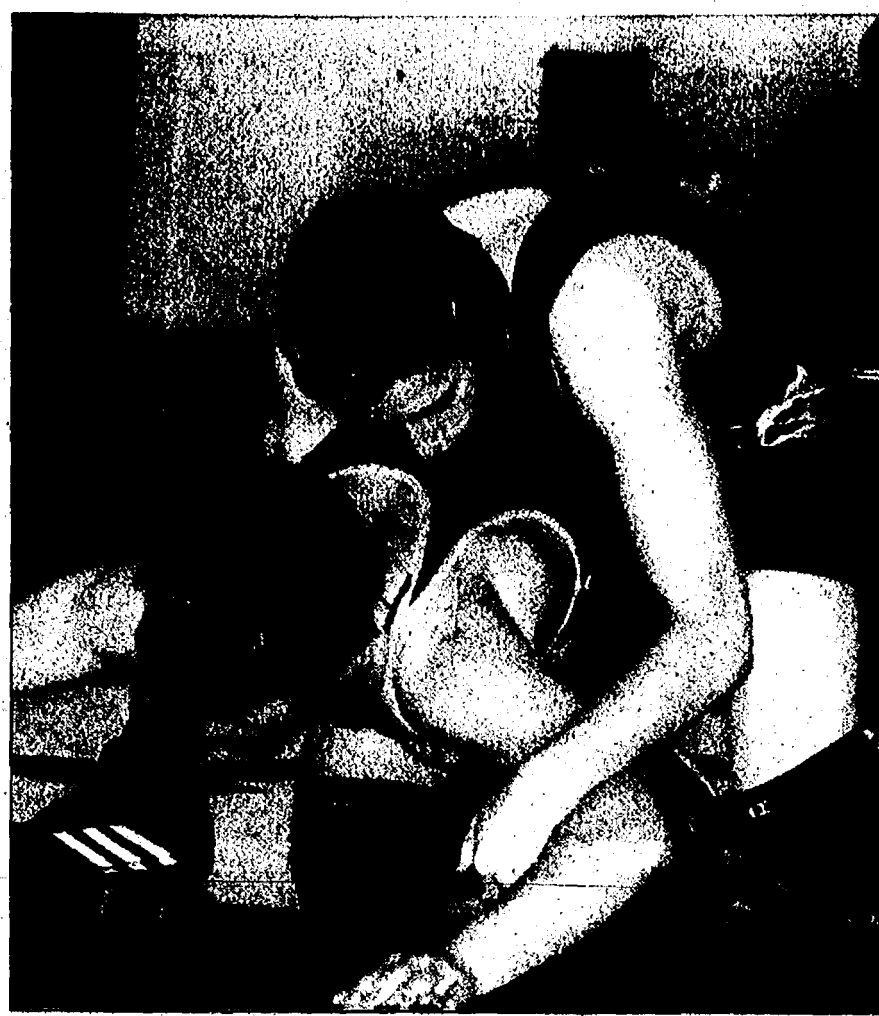


Photo courtesy of Sue Rodgers
Chelsea's Donnie Reidel helped the Bulldogs finish third at last Saturday's Holly Invitational.

Last Thursday, host Chelsea defeated Saline 43-22.

Sam Parkansky won by void at 103 for the Bulldogs.

At 112, Cobb won by pin in 4:25 over Tyler Vander-muehlen. At 119, Breslin won by pin in 47 seconds over Jim Smyrnis. Doug Zygnier won 7-2 over the Hornets' Nate Opaleski at 125. At 130, Schultz lost a 10-0 major decision to Aaron Nagy.

At 135, Helvey won 13-0 over Will Baiocco. Chad Schiller pinned Remy Long

in 3:02 at 140. Cody Schiller pinned Nick Moeller in 27 seconds at 145. Saline's Luke O'Brien won by void at 152.

At 160, Thayer lost 5-0 to Tommy Coleman. Wint lost 4-0 to Joe Armstrong at 171. Suffety won 7-3 over Ian Prokefy at 189. Rodgers prevailed 9-2 over Nick Barnett at 215. At 275, Devol lost by pin in 2:59 to Joe Everett.

Chelsea next travels to Ypsilanti Lincoln to compete in the Southeastern Conference meet 9 a.m. Saturday.

VOLLEYBALL

Beach spikers battle Bedford

Chelsea's Beach Middle School eighth-grade Blue volleyball team lost to host Temperance Bedford 25-16, 25-17 last Thursday.

"The team stayed competitive throughout the contest," said Chelsea coach Chris Orlandi. "We served at a fantastic 92 percent success rate. Our intensity was high throughout the contest and the effort was excellent."

Playing well for the Bulldogs defensively were Brittany Schmelz, Shelby Platt, Katie Menge, Julianna Ameal and Amy Glover.

On Jan. 31, Beach lost to visiting Adrian Blue 25-22, 23-25, 10-25.

Leading Chelsea in the contest were Marissa Elwart, Abbi Crowder, Hailey Preston, Platt and Schmelz.

Also playing well throughout the match for the Bulldogs were Heather Moyer, Melanie Burchett, Glover and Ameal.

Chelsea next hosts county rival Dexter 4 p.m. Thursday.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs

travel to Ypsilanti Lincoln for a match at 4 p.m.

On Feb. 1, Beach's seventh-grade Blue volleyball team lost 25-10, 25-18, 25-12 to host Temperance Bedford.

Katherine Lange, Brittany Moore, Anna Rode, Breanna Wooster and Anna Kingsinger each finished with two service points for Chelsea.

Breea Tschirhart, Maranda Luckhardt, Marie Zill, Alex Alvarez, Krystin Haapala, Kehls Haynes and Amber Stelbelton each served one point for the Bulldogs.

On Jan. 31, host Beach lost to Adrian Blue 25-13, 25-18, 25-12.

Rode paced Chelsea with seven aces. Haynes added four points, including three aces, while Diana Uihlein had four points with two aces.

Emily Shrosbree finished with three aces, while Jessica Wisniewski and Wooster each had two points for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea Weiss, Moore, Alvarez, Haapala and

Stelbelton each ended up with one point for Beach.

Chelsea next hosts county rival Dexter 4 p.m. Thursday. On Tuesday, the Bulldogs travel to Ypsilanti Lincoln for a contest at 4 p.m.

Beach's seventh-grade Gold volleyball team lost to visiting Ypsilanti Lincoln 18-25, 20-25, 25-16 last Thursday.

Melissa Hill led Chelsea with eight service points. Claire Myers added five service points.

Playing strong floor games for the Bulldogs were Elle Stoffer and Bethany Karschnick.

On Jan. 31, visiting Beach lost to Adrian White 24-26, 22-25, 25-17.

Katie Van Schooick paced Chelsea with eight service points.

Playing fine, all-around games for the Bulldogs were Amanda Gates and Stoffer.

Chelsea next travels to Temperance Bedford for a match 4 p.m. Thursday.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs host Tecumseh at 4 p.m.

WRESTLING

Grau leads Beach grapplers

Chelsea's Beach Middle School wrestling team squared off against host Ypsilanti Lincoln Feb. 1. The Bulldogs won 16 of 32 matches.

"The team is improving one day at a time," said Chelsea coach Corey Knight. "I think we are still finding out what works well and what doesn't work so well on the mat. The kids are working hard. I think Chelsea wrestling has a bright future."

Pacing Beach was Evan

Grau, with two victories.

Others winning one match for the Bulldogs included Cal Bauer, Nick Hill, Brandon Seagraves, Jake Dyer, Andrew Koch, Joe Newland, Josh Hovater and Travis Ostrowski.

Also performing well and winning one match for Chelsea were Andrew Nold, Landon Niesen, Zac Karschnick, Collin Scott, Chris Shoemaker and Brian Paulsen.

Chelsea next travels to Manchester to participate in

its invitational at 9 a.m.

On Wednesday, the Bulldogs host always-tough Temperance Bedford for a match at 4 p.m.

VILLAGE OF DEXTER PUBLIC NOTICE

January 26 there was a sewer back up at walk-about creek apartments, caused by grease and paper products. The Village of Dexter promptly conducted a clean up of the area around the manhole where the back up occurred, and it did not get into any stream. Local residents and the state were notified. If you have any further questions, please call the Dexter Water Utilities at 734.428.4572.

Andrea Dorney,
Dexter Water Utilities

Publish: February 9, 2006

GYMNASTICS

Heydlauff wins floor

Chelsea gymnast Sam Heydlauff captured the floor competition with a score of 9.35 at the Circle of Stars meet Jan. 20 through 22 in Indianapolis.

Heydlauff, a member of Gym America, also placed second on beam (8.55) and

fourth all-around (34.70) at the Level 10 meet.

Level 10 is the highest standard a youth gymnast can achieve.

More than 2,000 athletes participated in the Circle of Stars meet.

WEBSTER TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING MEETING NOTICE FEBRUARY 14, 2006

ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2006 AT 7:30 P.M. THE WEBSTER TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL HOLD A BUDGET HEARING AT THE WEBSTER TOWNSHIP HALL, 5665 WEBSTER CHURCH ROAD, DEXTER, MI 48130. AT SUCH TIME AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW:

1. A BUDGET COVERING PROPOSED EXPENDITURES AND ESTIMATED REVENUES OF THE TOWNSHIP SHALL BE SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION.

Budget may be viewed during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. at the above address.

2. THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

Those with disabilities must notify the Township Clerk no less than seven days prior to the meeting, so that accommodations may be furnished to satisfy their disability and allow for meaningful attendance.

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township

Posted: January 30, 2006
Publish: February 9, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE FEBRUARY 3, 2006 GLAZES CONTAINING LEAD

It has recently come to our attention that some of the glazes used on bowls made by students in the 7th grade art classes, including Ceramics classes, at Mill Creek Middle School contain lead. These bowls were sold as part of the Empty Bowls fundraisers (2001-present) that support the local Food Gatherers organization. Kristen Schweighofer, Supervisor of Environmental Health for the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, was contacted. She indicates that the potential for any health risk is minimal but recommends that any bowls made at Mill Creek Middle School between 2001 and the present be used for decoration purposes only and not for any food that will be consumed.

MSDS sheets for the products used in the classroom can be viewed on the manufacturer's web sites.

Mayco Products
Jungle Gem Glazes CG717
<http://www.maycocolors.com>
Click on "Health & Safety" to download MSDS sheets
AMACO Products
Liquid Glass Glazes, LG Series
<http://www.amaco.com>
Click on "MSDS Sheets" then "Glazes" then "MSDS-LG Series (3) and MSDS-LG Series (4)"
All glazes were applied by brush.
Publish: February 9, 2006

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING WAS HELD JANUARY 3, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Sylvan Township Board was held January 3, 2006 at 7:00 pm at 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.

Others present: Jeff Gunnis, Trent & Barb Satterthwaite, Loren Heller, Earl Heller, Richard & Marcy Bollinger, Derik Bollinger, Lloyd Grau, Reuben Lesser, Lisa Allmendinger, Paul Bollinger, David Layher, Ed Whitaker, Donald Bollinger, James Bollinger, Robert Shepherd, Don Schoenberg, Corrine Sikorski, Dave Bulson, Larry & Stephanie Doll, John Bassett, Jeff Klink, Mike Van Riper, Bill & Linda Pearsall, Matt Koenn, Charlie Koenn, Don Schneider, Rodney Schneider, Jim Kaimbach, Tom & Edna Walker, Brian Koch, Bob Lange, Bob Polens.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and the pledge recited. Motion by Grau, seconded by Solo to approve minutes as presented. Carried.

Motion by Merkel, seconded by Solo to pay bills as presented. Carried. No public hearings.

Public participation: Brian Koch ask if there would be public participation on the agenda item for the CAC report. Williams responded that there would be.

Zoning Inspector Lange reported 4 zoning compliance certificates, 10 certificate of occupancy permits issued for December.

Reuben Lesser reported not much activity for CAFA, next meeting January 9, 2006.

Supervisor Report: Development Agreement for Norfolk due to be completed the end of January.

Trustee Merkel reported still working on training session for surrounding municipalities.

Trustee Solo reported RFP's are due 1/4/05 at 11 AM for the Wireless issue.

No Old Business.

New Business:

The CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) was presented by the Chair of Planning Commission, Bob Polens. Polens presented the Board with the 6 recommendations of which Planning Commission sent to Board for consideration and ask the board to kindly advise Planning Commission of the board wishes. There was much discussion with several members of the audience speaking. Recommendation #8 - "a new rural preservation district should be added to the Zoning Ordinance and applied to the Southwest portion of the Township designated as Agriculture in the Township Comprehensive Plan. The District should have a minimum lot size of 5 acres, but allow the equivalent of 2 acre lots when such lots are clustered under certain conditions" seemed to have the audiences attention of which no one spoke in favor of. Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to thank the Planning Commission and the Citizens Advisory Committee and take no action on this report. There was discussion and the motion was withdrawn. Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to send only recommendation 1, 2 and 5 back to Planning Commission to make the necessary corrections. Carried by a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Solo to approve the 2006 Board meeting schedule and holiday closing schedule. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Solo to adopt the new Nationwide Retirement Plan Document. Carried.

Motion by Merkel, seconded by Solo to re-appoint Bob Polens to Planning Commission for a 3-year term. Carried.

Motion by Merkel, seconded by Grau to re-appoint Tom Caplis and Patricia Mickel-Hutchison to Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year term. Carried.

Motion by Solo, seconded by Koch to approve the Board of Review Hardship Guidelines as presented. Carried.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Solo to send a Text Change to Planning Commission to consider amending the Preliminary and Final Site Plan Ordinance to require 300 foot addresses and a public hearing be held for all applications which would be consistent with the Special Use and Rezoning Ordinance. Carried.

Motion by Solo, seconded by Koch to adjourn at 8:40 pm.

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk

Publish: February 9, 2006

DEXTER TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2006, 7:30 P.M.
AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI 48130

AGENDA

1) 04-06-288-001 (There will be a request to table)
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 10.9' 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.

2) TABLED
Property Tax ID 04-03-300-007
Appeal Number: 05 ZBA 612
Applicant Name(s): Cindy White
Property Address: 8401 Thurston

Variances Requested per submitted ZBA Application:

| Section | Current | Requested | Permitted | Description/Notes |
|-------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
| 18.23.A | 20' | 5' | 50' | From Thurston Drive to new garage overhang. |
| 18.23.A | 16' | 10' | 50' | From the undefined easement |
| 12.02.E.3.C | 14.3' | | | From existing home to property line on the west side. |
| 12.02.E.1 | | | | Recognize less than one acre |
| 12.02.E.2 | | | | Recognize less than 150' wide. |

Purpose: To construct a 24'x24' garage with attic storage.

3) Property Tax ID 04-18-100-020/021
Appeal Number: 05 ZBA 614
Applicant Name(s): Gary Ford
Property Address: 7811 Noah's Landing
All existing non-conformities were recognized on 8-12-03.

Variances Requested per submitted ZBA Application:

| Section | Current | Requested | Permitted | Description/Notes |
|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|--|
| 18.23.A | 14'6" | 18'6" | 50' | To allow 18'6" from new construction to Noah's Landing |
| 18.23.B | 48' | 48' | 50' | To allow 48' from new construction to waters edge. |

Purpose: to allow for the construction of a 22'x 26' two story addition to the existing home.

Above is previous request - Below is new request

Variances Requested per submitted ZBA Application:

| Section | Current | Requested | Permitted | Description/Notes |
|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|--|
| 18.23.A | 15' | 25' | 50' | From Noah's Landing to front of proposed addition. |

Purpose: To allow for the construction of a 21'x22' two story addition to the existing home.

4) TABLED TO MARCH 2006

Property Tax ID 04-30-300-004/04-30-400-002/04-31-200-008/04-31-100-007
Appeal Number: 05 ZBA616
Applicant Name(s): John Sinanis West Lake Hills LLC
Property Address: Waterloo Road between Warkner and McKinley

Variances Requested per submitted ZBA Application:

| Section | Current | Requested | Permitted | Description/Notes |
|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| 4.04 | | | | |

Purpose: To appeal the decision made by the Dexter Planning Commission on July 26, 2005.

Publish: February 9, 2006

RECREATION

Rec offers travel baseball

Chelsea Recreation is offering U-12, U-14, U-16 and U-18 travel baseball this spring.

The U-12 team will play out of Jackson, while the U-14 squad will compete in the Kensington Valley Baseball and Softball Association.

All games will be within a 40-mile radius of Chelsea.

The local U-12 and U-14 softball teams will also play in the KVBSA.

Chelsea Recreation will not be offering in-house baseball or softball to those in seventh grade or higher. If those in that age bracket want to play baseball or softball, they will have to register for a travel team.

A players' age is determined as of April 30.

The cost to participate on a travel team is \$170. The amount includes uni-

forms, league fees, specialists, umpires, equipment and field rentals.

Practice begins in March. A skills day is set for March 11, which will determine team placement. If only one team can be formed, then some players will be reassigned to the in-house league. If more than one team can be formed in a division, then different level squads will be set up.

Experienced parent volunteers are needed to coach teams. Chelsea Recreation will hire a specialist to conduct drill clinics for general play, and specific position development for each team.

Early registration is encouraged. Deadline for registration is Feb. 18.

For more information, call the recreation office at 475-1112.

— CHELSEA HUNTER —



Chelsea's Dave Merkel (left) and his Mexican guide, Paco, stand behind an 11-year-old, 300-pound Desert Big Horn Sheep Merkel hunted last December in the Bahaj of California. Earlier this week, Merkel received an award in Reno, Nev., for bagging the largest Big Horn Sheep in North America in 2005.

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CLAMP

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Junior guard Adam Connell finished with five points, while sophomore post player Dean Roberts (6-3, 280) had four points and two rebounds for the Bulldogs.

Senior center Cam Hawkins (6-2, 225), senior forward Robbie Moffett, senior forward Matt Weber and junior guard Jon Seelbach each netted two points for Chelsea. Junior guard Mike Sauers ended up with one point and four rebounds for the Dawgs.

As a team, Chelsea finished 21-of-51 from the field, for 41 percent, including 6-of-11 from beyond the arc. The Hornets, on the other hand, ended up 5-of-37 from the

floor for an anemic 15 percent.

At the free-throw line, the Bulldogs were 6-of-11 for 55 percent, while Saline was 0-of-4.

On the glass, Chelsea out-rebounded the Hornets 37-27. While forcing 20 Saline turnovers, the Bulldogs lost the ball only six times, which is a season low. Chelsea recorded a season high 14 steals to the Hornets' five.

Raymond said he found the final score hard to believe.

"I never thought we'd win by that amount," he said. "This is as close to that (perfection) defensively as I think we could get."

"To totally dominate a team like that is mind-boggling. Our defensive pressure the whole game was what

you'd expect in the last 30 seconds of a tie game. We pressured them all over the court. We contested every pass and every shot. We were able to get to 95 percent of the loose balls and rebounds."

The Bulldogs next host Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 7 p.m. Friday.

On Tuesday, Chelsea travels to SEC Red Division opponent Temperance Bedford for a game at 7 p.m. Freshman Basketball

Chelsea's freshman boys' basketball team defeated visiting Saline 62-49 last Friday.

Michael Lenneman led the Bulldogs, with 22 points.

Jake Mantel chipped in 18 points, while Michael Roberts had 13 points for

Chelsea. At halftime, the Hornets led 28-26.

Entering the fourth quarter, the game was tied at 39-39.

The Bulldogs cranked it up another notch in the fourth quarter, outscoring Saline 23-10 for the contest's final margin.

In the fourth frame, Chelsea ended up 12-of-14 from the foul line.

"This was a great team win," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris. "They beat us up pretty good in the first meeting. We felt we were a better team than that. The free-throw shooting in the fourth quarter was huge. Dakota Risner came off the bench and had his best game of the year."



Photo courtesy of Barrill Strong
Chelsea cheerleaders and students show their support for Bulldog basketball, during last Friday's game against Saline.

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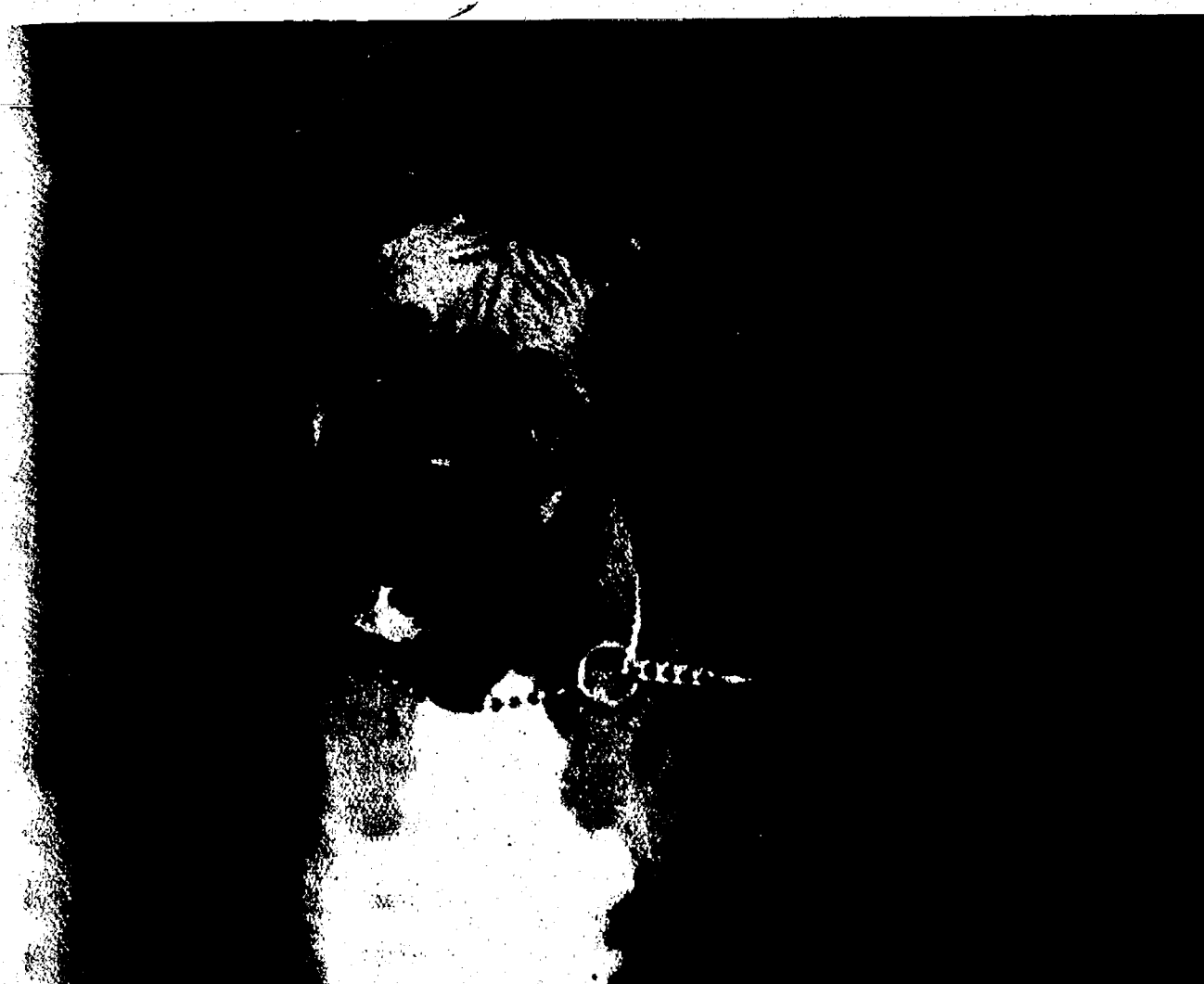
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Love FINDING

Local couples share secrets of success

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

As sweethearts from Dexter and Chelsea celebrate Valentine's Day on Tuesday, five local couples reminisce about how they met and fell in love, and how they have managed to sustain that love over the decades.

Bob and Dottie Hutchinson

The romance between Bob and Dottie Hutchinson of Scio Township has spanned six decades. Cupid's arrow struck them during World War II. Bob, who was an aviation cadet, was given a ticket to the annual horse races at the county fair in New Mexico, and it was just by luck, he says, that Dottie happened to give him that pass. That night, a group of the cadets went dancing, and their love blossomed from there.

The couple dated until December 1942, when Bob was transferred to Boise, Idaho.

Bob was a regular at the United Service Organization, and noticed that Dottie was one of the best dancers around.

"I was probably the worst dancer, but she put up with me anyway and has put up with me for 60 years," he said.

What Bob says he liked about Dottie was that she was attractive, fun and kind.

But a year after Bob met Dottie, while he was stationed in England, his airplane was forced down in Switzerland and he was listed as missing in action for more than a year. Bob said no mail was allowed in or out, so many families just sat and wondered where their loved ones were.



He hoped Dottie would not forget him.

"We were to keep out of trouble or be put in detention. A lot of the guys took up skiing or skating. By the time the government finally found us and we were all processed, Dottie and I had not talked in two years," he said.

Finally, in 1944, Bob returned to the states and took a job with the American Military Office in the capital for the Office of Strategic Services. In March 1945, he decided to call Dottie from Chicago.

"When she said hello and I told her I was back from overseas, she said, 'I'll see how long it will take me to get there by bus.' It took her two days of terrible travel from Albuquerque, N.M., back then with gas and food rations."

Bob got his sweetheart a hotel room in Ypsilanti and introduced her to his family and friends. A mutual friend lined up the minister and they were married April 11, 1945.

Bob had to report back to the Air Force in Miami Beach, but this time Dottie got to go with him.

The newly married couple traveled to Midland, Texas, and Denver before Bob was finally released from the military.

They returned to Ypsilanti to a starter house that Bob had built while he was in high school. Bob's mother had rented the tiny house while he was gone, so he could return when he was ready. But Bob wanted something better for Dottie.

"Since I had found a classy wife, I was determined to build a classy house on the west side of Ypsilanti for her," he said.

Through the first few years, he kept busy building their home and filled it with five children, a set of twin boys, two other boys and a girl.

They moved to the Dexter area in 1964, when their daughter, Bernice, was having trouble in Ypsilanti schools.

"We moved out here so we could have horses," Bob said. "We bought an old farmhouse on 42 acres that had no running water, plumbing or insulation. The wind blew right threw the walls. The Realtors could not believe that we wanted to move into it February of that year."

Bob says what has kept them together all these years is family.

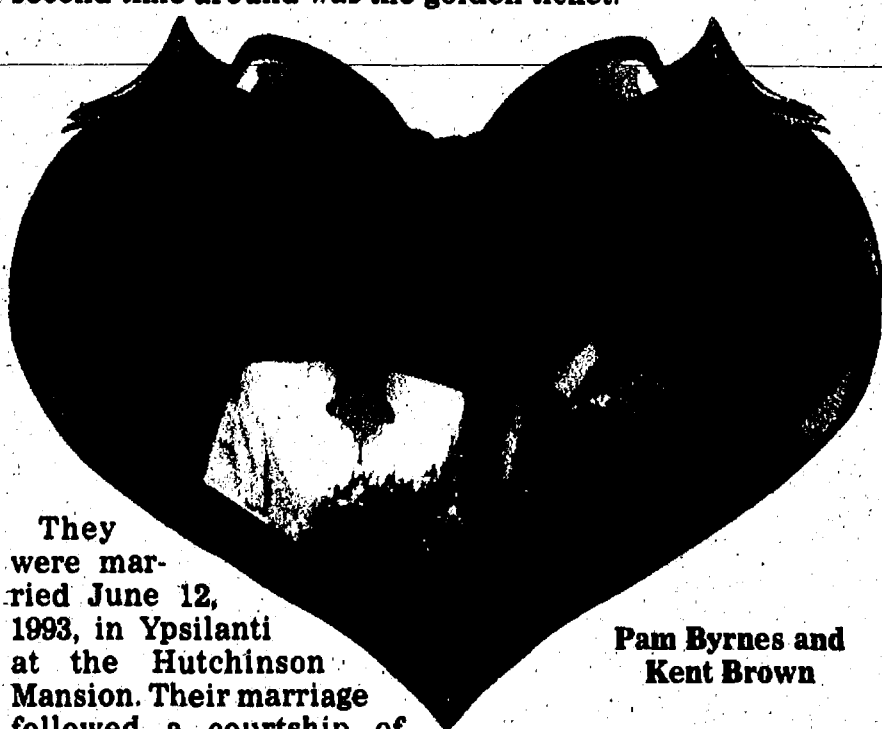
"I think the ingredients for a great marriage are my wonderful wife, children, in-laws and great-grandchildren," he said.

For their 60th wedding anniversary, their children, Bernice, Fred, Frank, Ralph and Ray, threw them a surprise party at Weber's Inn.

"The most romantic thing I have ever done was marrying her," Bob said. "Our marriage has worked all these years because she is very patient and I love her so."

Pam Byrnes and Kent Brown

For Pam Byrnes and Kent Brown of Lyndon Township, the second time around was the golden ticket.



They were married June 12, 1993, in Ypsilanti at the Hutchinson Mansion. Their marriage followed a courtship of approximately two years.

The couple met on a winter's night in 1990 at the Main Street Restaurant in downtown Ypsilanti, which happened to be the meeting place for the Central Business Community, the downtown merchants' association for Ypsilanti, and Kent was the chairman of the group. In his efforts to provide quality succession, he had asked a group of downtown business owners to act as the nominating committee for the annual elections of the board.

At that meeting, Pam was elected to the board and at the first board meeting, she was appointed chairwoman. Kent was the immediate past-chair, whose duties were to advise the incoming leader.

"We worked together in many CBC activities, including the Ypsilanti Heritage Festival, the downtown Halloween party and other activities to promote the downtown," Pam said. "Our working together eventually developed into a more personal relationship and eventually marriage."

In addition to the physical attraction and the fact that they both had daughters close in age, the couple found they had many common interests.

"We both enjoy working within our community and being active in volunteer efforts," Pam said. "We enjoy music, politics and nature. Even so, there was an apprehension after many years of each of us being independent to make a commitment to a second marriage."

Pam finds that it was the love and support of their families and especially their daughters that formed the glue to put together a new family.

"It was a very special moment when each of our brothers read passages and our daughters played flute and oboe," she said of the wedding. "And we found that we were stronger together despite our warts. What had started out as involvement in our community had brought us together as a family."

Their courtship was wrapped around many community activities and projects. Much of their time together was actually spent with friends from the community and with family.

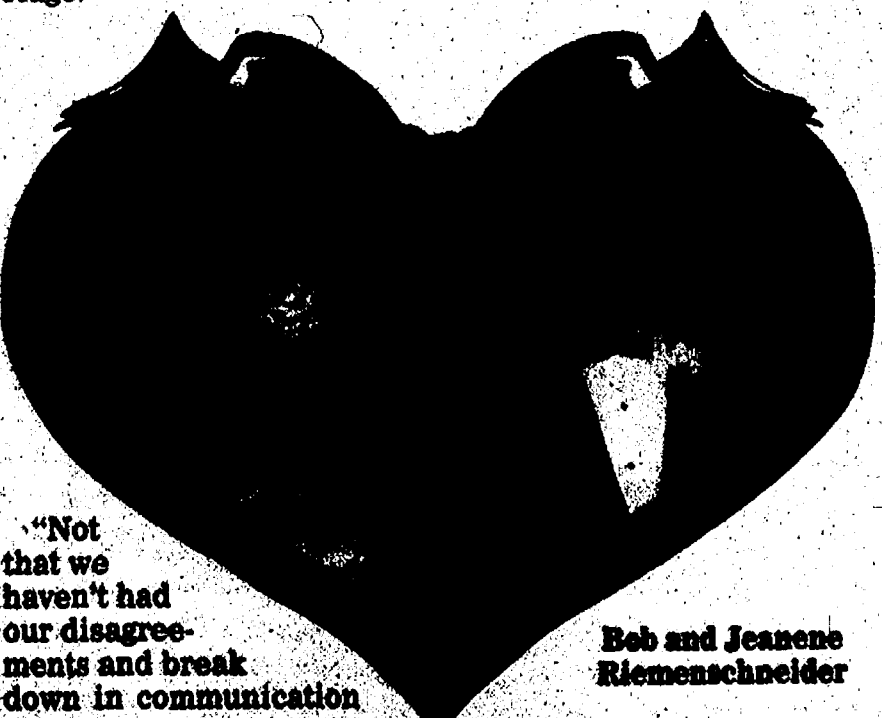
The most romantic thing they have ever done, they say, was spending their honeymoon in London.

"We were able to spend three days and nights enjoying the great city with its museums and cathedrals, and palaces and many pubs," Pam said.

What brought them together is also what they both believe are the ingredients of a good marriage: shared values and interests, as well as romance and respect.

"We have been blessed with the opportunity to support and participate in each other's goals and achievements," Pam said. "And the greatest achievement is our family and the incredible daughters we have."

Their shared values, interests, mutual respect and romance have been the foundation of their successful marriage.



"Not that we haven't had our disagreements and break down in communication

at times," Pam said. "As we mature and continue to have new life experiences, our love and respect becomes richer and deeper."

On Valentine's Day, they will be celebrating Kent's birthday.

"He's a real sweetheart," Pam said.

Bob and Jeanene Riemenschneider

Bob and Jeanene Riemenschneider of Chelsea fell in love in high school and recently celebrated 40 years of marriage.

The couple married Jan. 29, 1966, but it was the fall of 1962 when they fell in love. Bob was a senior and Jeanene was a junior at Chelsea High School. They both ended up at a friend's party. Bob drove Jeanene home after the party, and they started to date on a regular basis. It wasn't long after that Jeanene was wearing Bob's class ring around her neck.

Both say it was love at first sight.

The two had mutual friends, which added to the fun of being together at parties, dances and other school functions. Both were also raised in Chelsea, so their parents knew each other.

"We went steady until we became engaged, May 21, 1965," Jeanene said. "During those years, we enjoyed dances, games, parties, proms — all the normal stuff. We courted on a variety of vehicles, everything from a moped to a motorcycle to a pink pickup to a green Pontiac."

Bob went off to Albion College in the fall of 1963. At Albion, freshmen were not allowed to have a car on campus. For Bob to get back to Chelsea every Friday night to see Jeanene, he had to hitchhike home with a suitcase in tow.

The most romantic memory they share was their first big trip without children in 1971.

"We went to Mexico," Jeanene said. "It was romantic, yet so exciting being so far away from home, staying in a beautiful resort, listening to totally different music in a different culture."

The Riemenschneiders say there are many ingredients to a good marriage. For them, it has been trust, honesty and respect for one another's thoughts, ideas and wishes.



"We have always enjoyed the same interests," Jeanene said.

In their early married years, the couple enjoyed camping, water skiing, snowmobiling, skiing and dancing.

"As we have gotten older, we enjoy grandchildren, traveling, golfing and we still love to dance," Jeanene said.

"Our greatest accomplishments are our two children, Susie and Rob. The rewards from our children are five grandchildren. The biggest bonus of all it that our children are raising their children right here in Chelsea."

For the past 30 years, the couple has been in business together. Half of that time they have sold real estate and the rest of their time has been with Riemco Homes.

"Working together, living together and sleeping together require a special relationship and we have it," Jeanene said. On Valentine's Day, they plan to enjoy each other and good weather in the Sunshine State.

"I'll get coffee in bed, but then I get coffee in bed every morning. I'm spoiled and I love it," Jeanene said.

John and Gloria Mitchell

Like the Riemenschneiders, John and Gloria Mitchell of Chelsea have spent the last four decades together and credit their successful marriage to having a solid family life.

The couple met in 1964, when John was working at a funeral home in East Lansing and Gloria was a student at Michigan State University. Gloria's roommate was dating the son of John's boss and one day both were invited to dinner.

"She was cute, blond and a size 2, with a great smile and personality," John said. "I think the only reason she came is because she was sick of dorm food. Funny thing was that we were both engaged to someone else, but it was love at first sight."

On July 2, 1964, John left for mortuary school, but before he left, he asked Gloria to marry him.

John wooed Gloria by giving her an ivy plant and a card that said, "As the ivy grows, so does our love." She carried pieces of the ivy plant in her bridal bouquet on their wedding day, Aug. 14, 1965.

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ANN ARBOR

Women's health, fitness event set Saturday

The University of Michigan Medical School will hold Women's Health and Fitness Day Saturday in the Michigan League Ballroom.

The event will begin with registration and breakfast at 8:30 a.m., followed by morning and afternoon workshops presented by University of Michigan Health System experts in their respective fields. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Participants may choose from 30 workshops to attend, with two in the morning and two in the afternoon.

Participants may register online at www.umich.edu. For more information, call 1-800-742-2300, ext. 1015.

Morning Workshops

• "Is it hot in here or is it just me?" will be presented

by Dr. Liselle Douyon, an endocrinologist and clinical assistant professor in the Department of Internal Medicine. Topics will include changing hormones, the controversy over hormone replacement therapy and putting an end to hot flashes.

• "Breast cancer basics" will feature Dr. Lisa Newman, a surgical oncologist, associate professor of surgery and director of the U of M Breast Care Center. Topics will include breast cancer self-exams, diagnosis and treatment, and how to deal with breast cancer yourself or help a friend.

• "Are you getting taller or am I getting shorter?" will be conducted by Diana Rose, a MFit health and wellness

specialist. Topics will include how exercise and diet can prevent low bone mass or diminish current symptoms, and instruction on fun exercises you can do at home to prevent and decrease osteoporosis.

• "Heart healthy" will be presented by Dr. Claire Duvernoy, assistant professor of Internal Medicine's Division of Cardiology and director of the Women's Heart Program. Topics will include the epidemic of heart disease in women and what women can do to lower their risk, and the tests and treatments for women at risk for or diagnosed with heart disease.

• "Sex matters for women" will be presented in the morning and afternoon, with

Lori Hollander. She will focus on the full potential of a woman's body and the way it really works, methods of effective communication, and the exploration of cultural biases that will help women access the kind of intimacy and sexual pleasure they desire.

• "Making exercise work for you" will feature registered nurse Dana Zink. Participants will learn how to find the balance between living a hectic life and finding time for fitness.

• "Eating healthy on a tight budget" will be presented by registered dietician Debra Peterman, a nutritionist at the U of M General Clinical Research Center. Participants will learn about foods that provide the most value

for their cost, foods that drain both our budget and our health, and foods that are not really foods at all.

• "Hiding in plain sight: Staying safe in relationships" will be presented by Dr. Elizabeth Shadigian. She will explore safety in interpersonal relationships, in-

cluding early signs of a partner's controlling behavior and red flags of abuse. This will be an interactive session with role-playing and real-life discussions.

• "Why can I never find my keys?" will feature social worker Mary Rumman, who

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LOVE

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"The most romantic things we have done were to sit on the beach watching sunsets, and having three children who gave us eight grandchildren," Gloria said.

The ingredients of a good marriage to Gloria are love, patience, forgiveness and work.

John agrees that patience and forgiveness are what keeps love strong. He said their marriage has worked because of patience, and "having three wonderful children who keep you humble."

They keep their marriage intact by remembering that it takes two to make it work, and they try not leave each other's presence while unhappy.

John's grandmother had a favorite saying: "May your life be like a snowflake, leave a mark but not a spot."

"I think our marriage has done just that," John said.

They don't really have anything special planned for Valentine's Day except a card or a quiet dinner with friends. Besides, John said, all the years they have been spent together are special, not just one day out of the year.

Russ and Wilma Mynning

Russ and Wilma Mynning of Scio Township have been married 58 years and sweethearts for six decades. They met while Russ was hitchhiking home and Wilma stopped to give him a ride.



Russ and Wilma Mynning

For Wilma, it was an instant attraction.

"He was the most handsome man I had ever seen," she said.

Russ made Wilma feel special while they were dating each other.

"He was romantic, writing love poems and leaving gifts in my car while I was at work," she said. "He treated me like a queen and made me feel beautiful."

Russ says their courtship was very low-key compared to today's standards.

"Sometimes we would just go for a walk or talk on the phone."

Their first date was at an amusement park.

"I still have the plastic dog he won at a game there, although it has been broken and glued back together," Wilma said.

The most romantic moment in their lives was their 10th wedding anniversary.

"We went to Casey's Theatre nightclub in Toledo. Our table was right at the foot of the stage and the man sang a song for us," Wilma said.

To them, the ingredients of a good marriage include a good sense of humor, trust, faithfulness, patience, commitment and honesty.

"Change the things you can change, accept the things you cannot change and pray for the wisdom to know the difference," they said.

The Mynnings think their marriage has worked well because they respect each other.

"I have the best darn man in the world who never argues about anything," Wilma said. "We do things together, but give each other some space."

The key to a successful marriage, the Mynnings said, is love.

"If you have a conflict, talk about it," Wilma said.

For Valentine's Day, they plan to go out to dinner and enjoy each other's company.

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ANN ARBOR

Fund-raiser slated as alternative

The Humane Society of Huron Valley will hold "Be the Cat's Pajamas," a fund-raising alternative to Valentine's Day.

Rather than asking potential donors to spend the time and extra energy to get dressed up and go out to an evening fund-raiser, the humane society is asking area residents to stay home and spend that time relaxing with their pets.

"Roses? Candy hearts? Your cat doesn't need any of that — just some of your time and maybe a warm lap," Tanya Hilgendorf, executive director of the humane society, said in a press statement. "Be the Cat's Pajamas offers a chance to take the night off, watch a video, and spend quality time at home with your pets."

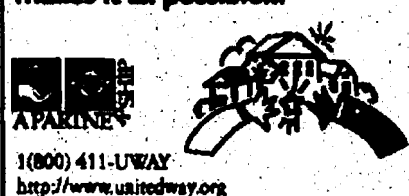
The humane society is hoping the event will encourage a wide range of donors who may not otherwise participate in a traditional fundraiser.

The first 100 people to donate \$100 or more will receive an "Evening at Home Package," which includes coupons for a free Domino's Pizza and a free Subway sandwich.

The event also will include a photo contest. Participants are encouraged to send their favorite photo of themselves with their pet. The winning photos will be featured on the humane society's Web site and will be published in the organization's newsletter.

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DEATHS

JAKE K Aidan

Saline
Jake Kaidan, 16, of Saline died Feb. 2, 2006. He was born Aug. 18, 1989, in Ann Arbor, the son of Mark Kaidan and Lisa (Boyer) Kaidan.

Jake was a sophomore at Saline High School, where he took pride in his academic achievements. He enjoyed many outside sports, including snowboarding, skateboarding, bicycling and a variety of water sports.

Jake also liked to travel and work-out for personal fitness. At home and in school, he was known for helping others.

Survivors include his father, Mark Kaidan, and friend, Lynne Mikulen, of

Tipton; his mother and step-father, Lisa and Frank Johnson of Ann Arbor; two brothers, Alex Kaidan, also of Ann Arbor, and Marty Kaidan of Manchester; one step-sister, Stephanie (Geoffrey) Harrigan of Ann Arbor; and two step-brothers, Ross and Brent Johnson of Ann Arbor.

Other survivors include his paternal grandparents, Claran and Mae Knauss of Florida; his maternal



grandparents, Duane and Virginia Boyer of Chelsea; a maternal grandmother, Eileen (Boyer) Brooks of Jackson; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A memorial service was held Tuesday at First United Methodist Church of Saline. The Rev. James Tuttle officiated.

At the request of the family, contributions may be made in Jake's name to the Saline Snow Sports Club, c/o Historic Union School, 200 N. Ann Arbor St., Saline, MI 48176. Envelopes are available at the church.

Arrangements were by Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline.

JENNIE M. PROSSER

Chelsea
Formerly of Flint

Jennie M. Prosser, 97, of Chelsea died Jan. 26, 2006, at Chelsea Retirement Community. She was born Feb. 26, 1908, in Bay City, the daughter of Marshall and Emma (Karmen) Ferguson.

Mrs. Prosser was a graduate of Bay City Central High School and Olivet College. She lived in Flint from 1929 to 1991. She was a teacher in the Flint schools from 1929 until her retirement in 1968.

Mrs. Prosser was a member of Hope United Methodist Church of Flint, the Ruth Circle, National

Educational Association and the Michigan Educational Association. She also was a participant in the Michigan State University Student-Teacher Program.

On June 3, 1933, she married Marion L. Prosser in Bay City, and he preceded her in death March 2, 2001.

Survivors include one niece, Dorothy Lefler of Cincinnati, Ohio; a nephew, Thomas C. Perry of Buena Park, Calif.; two foster brothers,



George F. Butterfield of New York and Erston M. Butterfield of Tennessee; and special friends, Betty Johnson and John Mann.

Mrs. Prosser received tender loving care at the Chelsea Retirement Community for many years.

Funeral services were held Jan. 30 at the Chelsea Retirement Community. The Rev. Beth Foster officiated. Burial was at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Flint.

Memorial contributions may be made to Chelsea Retirement Community.

Arrangements were by Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea.

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• "Using art to manage stress" will be presented by Shannon Scott-Miller, a board certified art therapist at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and the U of M Comprehensive Cancer Center. She will explore various ways to use line, shape and color as a way to express thoughts and feelings. Participants will have the opportunity to use various art media and participate in a hands-on project.

• "Living healthy for two"

will be presented by Dr. Kristie Keeton. Participants will learn about physical activity, mental health, things to avoid and eating during pregnancy.

Afternoon Workshops

• "The patch, the pill and that pesky PMS" will be presented by Dr. Vanessa Dalton. Participants will learn about the many options for oral contraception.

• "Facing infertility" will feature Dr. Senait Fisseha. Participants will learn about an important issue that affects approximately 15 percent of couples of reproductive age: infertility risk factors, diagnosis and treatment, and an overview of assisted reproductive technologies and other options to expand a family.

• "Soft as a baby's bottom or wrinkly as a prune, it's

your skin" will be presented by Dr. Charles Boyd, assistant professor in facial plastic surgery in both the Departments of Dermatology and Otolaryngology. Participants will learn about how skin ages and what they can do to take care of it while still having fun in the sun.

• "Diabetes: from prevention to control" will be presented by Dr. Roma Gianchandani, clinical instructor in the Department of Internal Medicine and director of the Inpatient Hyperglycemia Service. Participants will learn about the different types of diabetes, why more and more adults are developing it and what you can do to prevent it.

• "Self management of depression" will feature social workers Julie Kuebler and Charlotte Allport, who

will teach participants how to recognize common symptoms of depression, understand current medical treatment of depression and teach depression self-management skills that focus on healthy behavior change that contributes to successful treatment of depression and prevention of recurrences and relapse.

• "Stop a stroke before a stroke stops you" will be presented by Dr. Jennifer Majersik. Participants will learn what they can do to prevent stroke, risk factors associated with stroke and how they can reduce risk, and what is currently known about the role of migraines, birth control pills and hormone replacement therapy in stroke.

• "From Atkins to the Zone: Fad diets" will be presented

by Dr. Elif Oral. Participants will explore the science behind the hype, including answering some key questions.

• "Finding the power to quit" will be presented by social worker Linda Thomas, program manager for the Tobacco Consultation Service. She will discuss the body, the mind and the social reasons people use nicotine

and its effects, and what you can do to help themselves or a loved one give up tobacco for good.

• "Caring for an elderly parent" will be presented by Dr. Lourdes Velez. Participants will learn how to approach this topic with parents, what options are available to senior citizens, and how best to care for an elderly parent.

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LLOYD FRANKLIN BRIDGES

Chelsea

Lloyd Franklin Bridges, 74, of Chelsea died peacefully at his home Feb. 6, 2006. He was born May 29, 1931, in St. Clair Shores to Caroline (Kurth) and Charles Bridges.

Mr. Bridges married Barbara E. Jakubek of Traverse City June 29, 1957. Originally residing in Walled Lake, he moved his family to Chelsea in 1971.

Mr. Bridges was the founder of several businesses, including Lloyd Bridges Traveland in Chelsea, a recreational vehicle dealership that is currently owned and operated by his two sons.

Mr. Bridges will be lovingly remembered by his children, Michele (John Nelson) Bridges of Bath, Gerald Bridges and Charles (Jennifer Gunther) Bridges; his grandchildren, Timothy, Benjamin and Casey Bridges; and his brothers, Charles (Violet) of Farmington, Richard (Rose) of Walled Lake, E. Nicholas (Marilyn) of Negaunee and Donald Bridges of Bradenton, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara, Oct. 14, 2001.

The family would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to Mr. Bridges' caregivers, Lisa Bingel, Gwen Laeder, Kim McQuarrie, Dede Scudder, and especially to Jenny

Hampton, who extended her love and care in exceptional ways.

Visitation is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea.

A funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Friday at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea. The Revs. William Turner and Joseph Renaldo will co-officiate. Burial will follow at North Lake Cemetery in Dexter Township.

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FRIDAY

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Mostly cloudy with snow flurries

LOW: 16°-20°

SATURDAY

HIGH: 26°-30°

Variable clouds; cold with flurries

LOW: 12°-16°

SUNDAY

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Partly sunny and cold

LOW: 10°-14°

MONDAY

HIGH: 26°-30°

Mostly cloudy, flurries; cold

LOW: 14°-18°



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Total for the year 3.97"
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% of normal this month 186%
% of normal this year 149%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday 7:40 a.m.
Sunset Thu. night 6:00 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday 2:25 p.m.
Moonset Thursday 5:56 a.m.

Full Moon Feb 12
Last Moon Feb 21
New Moon Feb 27
First Moon Mar 6

NATIONAL CITIES

| City | Thur. | Fri. |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| Albany | 29/15pc | 29/18pc |
| Albany | 29/15pc | 29/18pc |
| Anchorage | 29/15pc | 32/29pc |
| Atlanta | 37/22pc | 40/23pc |
| Baltimore | 36/22pc | 42/26pc |
| Birmingham | 36/22pc | 37/13pc |
| Birmingham | 36/22pc | 37/13pc |
| Bismarck | 36/22pc | 37/13pc |
| Boise | 44/23pc | 47/23pc |
| Brownsville | 77/53pc | 73/53pc |

| City | Thur. | Fri. |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| Bethesda | 29/18pc | 30/23pc |
| Burlington, VT | 39/17pc | 34/14pc |
| Burlington, VT | 39/17pc | 34/14pc |
| Casper | 44/21pc | 29/6pc |
| Charleston, SC | 50/30pc | 57/33pc |
| Charlotte | 42/24pc | 50/26pc |
| Chicago | 34/22pc | 32/18pc |
| Cincinnati | 34/22pc | 34/22pc |
| Cleveland | 30/22pc | 34/24pc |
| Columbus, OH | 30/22pc | 34/24pc |
| Davenport | 33/18pc | 31/11pc |

| City | Thur. | Fri. |
|--------------|---------|---------|
| Denver | 35/17pc | 32/12pc |
| Des Moines | 35/17pc | 32/12pc |
| Detroit | 32/22pc | 34/20pc |
| El Paso | 62/42pc | 62/37pc |
| Fargo | 29/10pc | 18/4pc |
| Fort Wayne | 34/20pc | 34/18pc |
| Green Bay | 36/15pc | 28/13pc |
| Honolulu | 77/83pc | 78/83pc |
| Indianapolis | 32/23pc | 34/21pc |
| Kansas City | 44/21pc | 37/14pc |

LOCAL WEATHER



MICHIGAN CITIES

| City | Thur. | Fri. |
|---------------|---------|---------|
| Ann Arbor | 32/18pc | 32/18pc |
| Ann Arbor | 32/18pc | 32/18pc |
| Bay City | 32/22pc | 34/20pc |
| Bay City | 32/22pc | 34/20pc |
| Dearborn | 32/22pc | 34/20pc |
| Detroit | 32/22pc | 34/20pc |
| Grand Rapids | 31/21pc | 29/18pc |
| Holland | 34/24pc | 34/21pc |
| Jackson | 32/20pc | 32/19pc |
| Kalamazoo | 32/20pc | 32/19pc |
| Lansing | 33/19pc | 29/18pc |
| Livonia | 32/21pc | 32/20pc |
| Midland | 29/20pc | 30/18pc |
| Monroe | 30/23pc | 32/21pc |
| Muskegon | 31/25pc | 31/20pc |
| Pontiac | 30/18pc | 33/19pc |
| Port Huron | 31/23pc | 31/20pc |
| Saginaw | 31/23pc | 31/20pc |
| Traverse City | 25/18pc | 25/18pc |
| Traverse City | 25/18pc | 25/18pc |
| Traverse City | 25/18pc | 25/18pc |
| Traverse City | 25/18pc | 25/18pc |
| Traverse City | 25/18pc | 25/18pc |

TRAVEL

Lansing, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
High pressure will bring dry weather to the region Thursday with 8 hours of sunshine. Winds will be west at 10-20 mph. Flurries are possible Friday.

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 Friday 17°
Highest Saturday 17°
Highest Sunday 8°

SOLAR TABLE

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

| Major | Minor | Major | Minor |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 10:00 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. | 12:00 p.m. | 1:00 p.m. |
| 2:00 p.m. | 3:00 p.m. | 4:00 p.m. | 5:00 p.m. |
| 6:00 p.m. | 7:00 p.m. | 8:00 p.m. | 9:00 p.m. |

UV INDEX

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

WORLD CITIES

| City | Thur. | Fri. |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| Algeria | 67/45pc | 65/42pc |
| Algeria | 67/45pc | 65/42pc |
| Athens | 54/43pc | 61/39pc |
| Bangkok | 90/77pc | 91/77pc |
| Beijing | 36/18pc | 43/23pc |
| Belgrade | 40/29pc | 39/15pc |
| Bogota | 69/48pc | 68/48pc |
| Bogota | 69/48pc | 68/48pc |
| Cairo | 62/49pc | 66/45pc |
| Cape Town | 79/61pc | 84/64pc |
| Dublin | 43/32pc | 45/41pc |
| Geneva | 34/23pc | 34/26pc |
| Istanbul | 40/40pc | 50/27pc |
| Jerusalem | 47/39pc | 56/41pc |
| Karachi | 90/63pc | 88/63pc |

| City | Thur. | Fri. |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| Lima | 68/73pc | 64/68pc |
| Lima | 68/73pc | 64/68pc |
| London | 41/32pc | 41/30pc |
| Manila | 80/74pc | 79/73pc |
| Montreal | 16/5pc | 12/1pc |
| Nairobi | 82/62pc | 83/63pc |
| Panama | 69/72pc | 69/73pc |
| Rio de Janeiro | 88/78pc | 84/69pc |
| San Juan | 81/72pc | 83/70pc |
| Seoul | 34/28pc | 39/23pc |
| Stockholm | 32/28pc | 32/23pc |
| Tehran | 64/38pc | 65/39pc |
| Vancouver | 48/43pc | 53/43pc |
| Warsaw | 33/28pc | 31/18pc |

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