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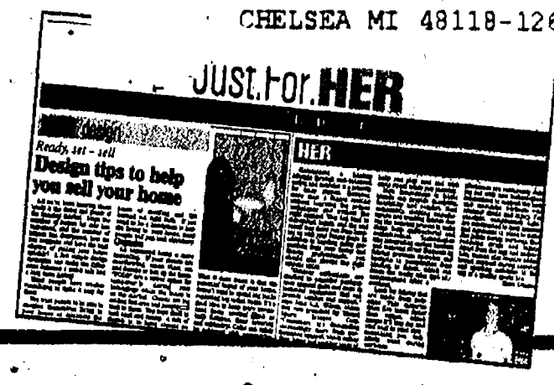
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Chelsea's Ali Mann and the Bowling Green women's basketball team knocked off No. 2 seeded Vanderbilt on Tuesday night to advance to the Sweet 16. The Falcons (31-3) will play Arizona State on Saturday in N.C.

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MOVING ON

Washtenaw County Sheriff Dan Minzey (inset) ended a six-month legal battle this week when he dropped his lawsuit against the county and hopes to find more positive solutions to the jail overcrowding problem.

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Rebuilding Timber Town

Volunteers needed to bring play structure back to life

"Many communities in Michigan have actually torn down their structures due to maintenance issues. Chelsea is better than that."

- Gloria Mitchell

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Over the past decade, about half a million kids have enjoyed playing in Timber Town – the 12,000-square-foot wooden play structure of swings, towers, slides, sandboxes and rope ladders located at Sibley Road and M-52, at the north end of Chelsea.

And not surprisingly, the years have taken their toll on the playground.

After playing with her grandkids a year ago at Timber Town, and seeing that the structure was in need of repair, Chelsea resident Gloria Mitchell- who teamed with Julie Rutherford in 1996 to get the Timber Town project under way – teamed with other local residents Amy Mitchell, Tracie Faupel, Jeff Dehring, Dennis Crawley, and Chelsea Recreation Council Director Michelle Mitchell.

The group, known as the Friends of Timber Town, (FTT) submitted a large grant request to the Chelsea Community Foundation and the Community Foundation of Southeastern Michigan that has received approval, Amy Mitchell said Monday.

"The grant approval from the Chelsea Community Foundation was pending a resolution from City Council. The resolution would essentially make FTT a more formal organization within the City of Chelsea and make the grant funds available for use only on Timber Town," she said."

Timber Town – in 1996 one of the largest play structures of its kind in the state – was created with the help of more than 2,500 volunteers and hundreds of thousands of dollars in financial support and community-wide donations. When the structure was complete Leather's and Associates, the original architects, estimated the play structure was worth between $325,000 and $500,000 10 years ago, Mitchell said.

It was a huge effort that brought the community together, like no other project that Chelsea has ever seen – and a similar effort is needed to restore it. The structure is owned and maintained by the City of Chelsea; the Chelsea Rotary Club has carried out mulch refurbishment and stain treatment several times over the years, and the Chelsea Lions Club has worked on the pavilion structure and picnic tables.

Now Friends of Timber Town are on a roll to raise funds and enlist volunteers to refurbish the play structure. "We're fired up to get the community back involved in Timber Town," Mitchell said. "It was a mammoth community undertaking 10 years ago, we are excited to keep the structure going, and maintain it's powerful image of what Chelsea is really about.

"Many communities in Michigan have actually torn down their structures due to maintenance issues. Chelsea is better than that — we're going to fix it up and hopefully make it even better."

The group originally hoped to lead volunteers in a restoration last September but were stymied by low funds.

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Two-year-old Makayla Kegerreis is a frequent visitor to the Timber Town playscape off Sibley Road in Chelsea.

Police intervene in mother daughter dispute

By Edward Freundl
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea police became entangled in a complex family dispute that resulted in a woman checking herself into a hospital to escape a drug habit and her mother's unwanted involvement.

According to a police report, a 37-year-old Chelsea woman requested assistance from Chelsea police at about 3 p.m. March 3 to retrieve personal property from her mother's residence in the 700 block of West Middle Street.

The report stated the woman had checked herself out of a drug dependency program at Chelsea Community Hospital because her mother had been harassing her with repeated cell phone calls.

A police officer listened to the messages and determined them to be accusatory and threatening.

He put the woman in contact with the Ann Arbor homeless shelter to arrange a place to stay, but she told him she would try to re-enter the hospital drug program instead and left with a female friend.

About 10 minutes later, the report stated, the woman returned to the police department in tears, saying that her mother had tried to block their exit from the Country Market parking lot on South Main Street, then followed the two women all the way back up Main Street to the police station.

The officer came outside and observed the 57-year-old

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Regional Special Report: Inside Our Schools

Granholm pushes for consolidation

Some state lawmakers, including Gov. Jennifer Granholm, believe consolidating efforts, such as bus service, could save school districts money.

But will efforts really help school districts save money?

By Brian Cox
Staff Writer

As state legislators hunt and peck for the least politically painful path out of the school funding morass, school districts have come under increased pressure from Lansing to pursue cost-saving avenues of cooperation and consolidation under the umbrella of intermediate school districts.

There are more than 560 Michigan public school districts, and most have their own payroll systems, transportation directors, food service managers, and other non-instructional personnel, representing what some consider an inefficient redundancy that if reduced would result in important savings.

State superintendent Mike Flanagan, for one, wants intermediate school districts to perform non-instructional services for individual districts, saying he believes school districts should focus on student achievement rather than costs for food service, busing and custodial work.

The idea has appealed to Gov. Jennifer Granholm, who as part of her budget plan for this year proposed offering school districts $10 million in one-time incentives if they consolidate business, administrative or instructional services. She called the incentive a carrot.

Granholm is also proposing a stick: If school districts do not

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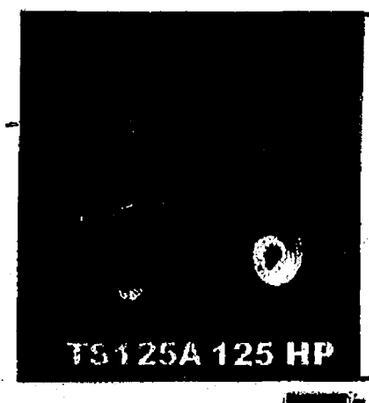

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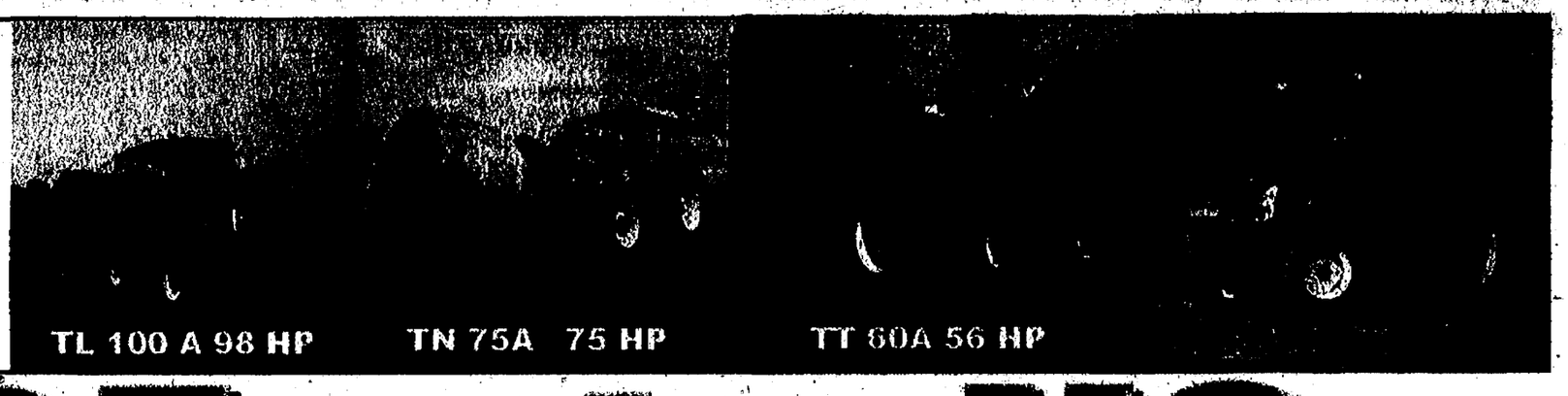

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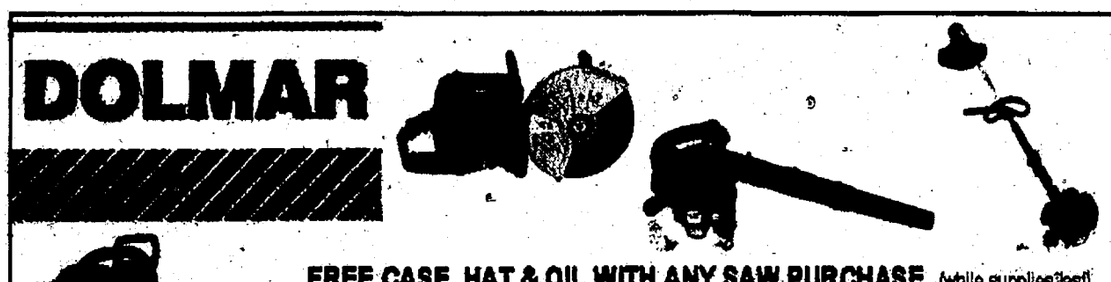

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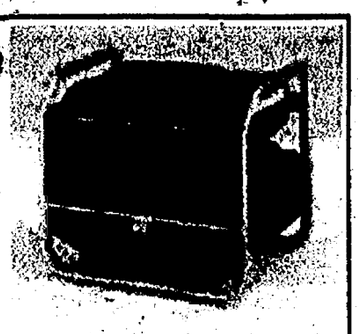

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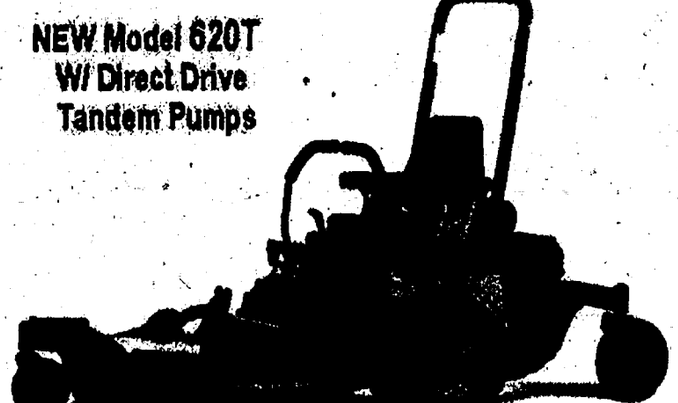

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Police Briefs: Chelsea

Lost/stolen property

An Ann Arbor man notified Chelsea police that his son's skates were lost or stolen March 3 at the Arctic Coliseum.

The man said he was helping the 4-year-old boy remove his gear after hockey lessons at about 1:40 p.m. He put the skates down next to him and put the rest of the equipment in a bag, then discovered them missing.

According to a police report, the man searched the locker room and checked with other players and parents but did not locate the skates.

Chelsea police alerted a used sporting goods store to keep an eye out for the youth's hockey skates, but have no suspects.

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Chelsea police returned to the Arctic Coliseum at 6:47 p.m. March 3 for a report of larceny from a locker.

Two members of a visiting hockey team, a 13-year-old boy from Lake Zurich, Ill., and another from Deerfield, Ill., told police a total of $30 in cash had been taken from their lockers in locker room No. 4 in the south rink during a game.

In addition, one had a pair of shoes put in a toilet and the other's hat had been thrown in the trash in the unlocked locker room.

Police have no suspects.

Drunken driving arrest –

While on patrol at 2:07 a.m. March 4, a Chelsea police officer passed a 2001 Land Rover with its headlights off on Main Street near Pierce St.

The officer turned around to follow the vehicle, and observed it pull into the driveway of a residence in the 600-block of South Main.

The driver immediately got out of the vehicle and the officer had to tell the man twice to get back in the vehicle.

A records check showed the vehicle was registered to a Freer Road resident, but the South Main Street address was the driver's residence.

The officer noticed the driver's eyes were glassy and bloodshot, his speech was slurred, he was unsteady on his feet and appeared to be confused.

According to a police report, the driver admitted he had been drinking at a friend's house on Freer Road. He tried to come home to let his dog out, he said, but had gotten his car stuck in the driveway and borrowed his friend's car.

The man failed field sobriety tests, and a preliminary breath test showed a blood alcohol level of .019 percent, more than twice the legal limit of .08 percent in Michigan.

A records check showed the 32-year-old Chelsea man's driver's license had been restricted in February due to a conviction for operating while intoxicated in November.

He was arrested and charged with one count of OWI-second offense and one for violation of a restricted license.

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An employee of the McDonald's restaurant on South Main Street called Chelsea police at 2:40 a.m. Feb. 24 to report that a customer had thrown an object at the drive-through window.

The employee gave the license plate number and description of the vehicle to police, who found it in the restaurant parking lot occupied by two men eating McDonald's food.

According to a police report, the officer notice a full bottle of beer in the second seat of the 1992 GMC pickup truck, but the driver, a 19-year-old Chelsea man, denied he'd been drinking.

The driver was arrested for minor in possession by transport, and a further search of the truck revealed a second bottle and a full can of beer.

The driver passed a field sobriety test, but after registering a PBT reading of .054 percent he was arrested for operating while intoxicated by violating Michigan's zero-tolerance policy for underage drinking.

According to the report, McDonald's staff said they heard a loud bang at the drive-through window after telling the suspects there would be a six-minute wait for their order.

The driver said he had tapped on the window with a coin to ask if they could have the food for free because of the wait, but the employee was very rude.

Fraud complaint

A 36-year-old Saline woman reported to Chelsea police on Feb. 27 that she was the victim of a scam through the mail.

According to a police report, the woman said she had received a letter the week before from the Alliance Processing Center in the Virgin Islands advising her that she had won $50,000 in a lottery.

The letter included a check drawn on the Fifth Third Bank in the amount of $2,962.30 to defray taxes on her winnings.

The letter directed the woman to send $1,500 in cash in order to collect the $50,000.

The woman did not send the cash, and deposited the check into her personal account at TCF Bank.

TCF froze the woman's checking account when the Fifth Third check was found to be counterfeit, causing the woman bounce some checks she had written. –

According to the report, a Chelsea police officer told the woman she had been the victim of a variant of the "Nigerian Scam."

Police discovered that several warnings about Alliance are posted on the Internet, and that the phone number the victim was given to claim her "prize" was traced to an answering machine somewhere in Canada.

The case was closed because none of the suspects are in the United States.

Warrant arrests

While on patrol at 2 a.m. Feb. 28, a Chelsea police officer observed a 1995 Chevrolet Corsica, with objects dangling from the rear-view mirror, fail to signal a turn from East Old U.S. 12 northbound onto Main Street.

The officer followed the vehicle as it turned down several side streets before coming back to Main Street.

The officer made a traffic stop on the vehicle when a records check showed the registered owner had a bench warrant for failure to appear in court on a misdemeanor charge of improper license plate issued by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.

The owner, a 19-year-old Chelsea woman, admitted that she knew about the warrant, and that she was intentionally trying to avoid the patrol car.

The woman was arrested, transported to the sheriff's substation on Baker Road and turned over to sheriff's deputies.

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Two officers responded to the Country Market at about 4:45 p.m. Feb. 27 for a warrant arrest.

According to a police report, the Stockbridge police chief alerted Chelsea police that a 27-year-old Stockbridge man with an outstanding warrant for misdemeanor marijuana possession was inside the store.

The Chelsea officers made contact with the man and arrested him after confirming his identity and the validity of the warrant.

They transported him to M-52 and Roe Road and turned him over to Stockbridge police.

Compiled by Staff Writer Edward Freundl from reports filed with the Chelsea Police Department.

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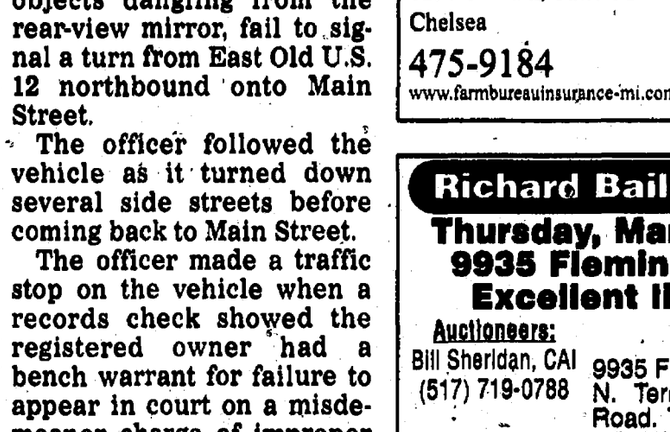
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Tuttle Memorial

The public is invited to attend a special memorial in remembrance of firefighter Matt Tuttle, who was killed in the line of service on April 13.

The one-year anniversary memorial will be hosted by the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Firefighters and Board and begin at 7 p.m. April 13 at the Washington Street Educational Center Cafeteria Room. Refreshments will be served.

Tuttle and Chelsea Police Chief Riley Scott Sumner died April 13, 2006 in a helicopter crash in Scio Township.

Open house

The Chelsea Gallery will host an open house from 6 to 9 p.m. on March 31 at the new location, 115 S. Main Street in Chelsea. The hosts are Gary and Doris Galvin. The evening will allow guests to "experience" the new gallery and try out the new espresso and dessert bar. Special guest Don Fishel will play the flute. For more information: Call 734-475-1008.

Attention photographers

Organizers of the second annual Cranesbill Books "Get Caught Reading Photo Contest" are looking for your photos. Photos must be submitted in duplicate as prints, not as digital files. The first print of each entry goes to the store's local contest, with cash prizes of $50, $30 and $25.

The second print submitted goes to a regional contest, with the potential prize of a trip to Chicago next October.

No age limits on the photographer or subject! No entry fees! The deadline for entries is April 1.

Attention musicians

The organizing committee for Chelsea's "Sound & Sights on Thursday Nights" music series will hold open auditions for interested musicians and street entertainers from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 26 at the Common Grill restaurant, 112 South Main Street. For information call the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce office at 734-475-1145.

Lyndon supervisor faces threat of recall

By Edward Freundl
Heritage Newspapers

A move is afoot in Lyndon Township to remove Supervisor Maryann Noah from the office she has held for more than 10 years.

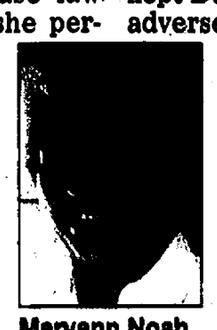
"I've had it — I've lived 22 years in this township and I'm tired of living in the 18th century," said Claudia Bahm, the resident heading up the recall drive.

Bahm submitted petition language on Feb. 27 and it was certified valid by the Washtenaw County Clerk's Office on March 14.

"I've had people calling me and asking where they can get a petition for their neighborhood," Bahm said. "People are ready for a change, that's obvious."

Although Bahm has a litany of complaints against Noah, the petition specifies four reasons for the recall.

Noah's attorney filed an objection seeking to reverse the ruling on March 8, citing state statutes and case law for each point, but she personally addressed the petition's allegations one by one.



Maryann Noah

"I have political enemies," she said. "This is absolutely politically motivated; the horsepower behind this is political.

Bahm's first complaint is that Noah violated a township ordinance from 2004 to 2006 by renting a portion of her home to an unrelated family in an area that permits single-family dwellings only.

"It's not a violation of any ordinance, the government cannot tell you who you can share your home with," Noah said, explaining that two friends moved in to help her take care of her ailing husband before he died.

"I'm damned proud of it. I kept Duane home under very adverse circumstances," she said.

The petition's second complaint states that Noah acted without township board discussion and authorization to settle an insurance claim for vandalism to town hall windows back in May.

Noah said that charge was motivated not by Bahm but by one of her own board members.

"That is preposterous. That one didn't come from Claudia, it came from Trustee Kathryn Francis," she said.

Noah explained that she had arrived at the township hall one day in January 2006 to find all the windows "shot up."

She said she called the state police first, then the township insurance carrier, then a contractor to board up the windows, and said the insurance company told her to get an estimate for repairs.

"The board took five months to pay the bill because (Francis) and another trustee were against it," Noah said. "The vote was 3 to 2 to replace the windows. I did not 'negotiate' anything; there was no 'settlement.'"

Bahm also accused Noah of "double-talk" in refusing to seek cell phone towers that are "desperately needed" in the township.

"In a township meeting Feb. 13 she said she would 'roll out the red carpet' for a cell phone company, but in her very next statement she refused to have a tower on her 80-acre farm," Bahm said.

Noah freely acknowledged that she refused a lease offer of $12,000 per year from T-Mobile, but did so for personal reasons.

"I made a public disclosure because I know as an elected official even your personal business has to be transparent," she said.

After her attorney had looked over the offer, she said, he reminded her that a cell phone tower is a special use that would have to be approved by the planning commission.

"And since the supervisor appoints the planning commission, he felt someone might turn it into a political issue," she said.

"They offered $12,000 a year. I could use that kind of money but I felt it just wasn't worth the political fallout."

Bahm's final claim listed in the petition is that at the Feb. 13 board meeting Noah "admitted there was no envi-

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Moving on up

Chelsea native named deputy director of National Parks

By Terry Jacoby
The Chelsea Standard

National Park Service (NPS) Director Mary Bomar named Daniel N. Wenk as the ageney's deputy director for operations. The Chelsea native and 31-year NPS career veteran replaces Stephen P. Martin, who now serves as superintendent of Grand Canyon National Park.

As deputy director, Wenk has an integral role in managing the National Park Service. The agency has an annual budget of $2.3 billion, 20,000 employees and the National Park System, which includes 390 national park sites covering more than 84 million acres.

Wenk also oversees partnership programs such as the National Register of Historic Places and National Trails System, designed to help extend the benefits of natural and cultural resources conservation and outdoor recreation throughout this country and the world.

"The deputy director, operations, has responsibility for program areas including: cultural and natural resources management, law enforcement and visitor services, park planning, construction and maintenance land acquisition, partnership programs, education and interpretive programs, business services, human resources management, oversees programs such as the National Register of Historic Places and National Trails System," Wenk said.

Name: Daniel N. Wenk
Age: 54
Occupation: Recently appointed National Park Service Deputy Director.
Native of: Chelsea, lived in the "country" on S. Fletcher Road, Rogers Corners area.
High school: Chelsea High School (graduated in 1970).
College: Michigan State University, 1970-75, Bachelors of Landscape Architecture.
Family: Parents, Norm and Lorena Wenk of Chelsea, sisters, Barbara Pruess of Chelsea and Marilyn Hinderer of Caro, Anita Himes of Virginia Beach, Va., and brother Rob Wenk of McLean, Va. Married to Barbara, three children Laura, 26, Masters of Arts in Eastern Mediterranean Archeology, from KU Leuven, Belgium; Megan, 23, graduating this spring from University of Northern Colorado with a degree in nursing; and Tom, 19, a freshman at the University of Northern Colorado.

"I am excited to become part of Director Bomar's management team as we prepare for the National Park Service Centennial, and I look forward to working with the 20,000 men and women of the National Park Service to care for the special places in our nation."

Wenk, 54, has been director of the NPS Denver Service Center since December 2001. There he oversaw the agency's centralized planning, design, and construction services, and provided parks and regional offices with services including contracting and project management.

"The National Park Service has long had a tradition of promoting from within talented and qualified professionals," said Bomar. "It gives me great pleasure to continue this tradition and appoint Dan Wenk as deputy director for operations. Throughout his many years with the Service, Dan has repeatedly demonstrated remarkable managerial skills and innovative leadership."

Wenk was superintendent of Mount Rushmore National Memorial from 1985 to 2001. As superintendent, he oversaw development of natural and cultural resource management programs to ensure the long-term preservation of the sculpture and the natural area of the surrounding forest. His leadership was integral in the design, development and completion of a $60 million public/private partnership that raised $30 million in private donations and in negotiating two innovative concession contracts for the construction of facilities valued at $30 million.

"I began working for the National Park Service while at Michigan State and went to work for the NPS after graduation in 1975," Wenk said. "I left the NPS to work for a private firm for two years as a landscape architect, designer and project manager. I returned to the NPS as a designer in 1978. I went to Yellowstone as a member of the Superintendent's staff in 1979 as the park landscape architect. In 1985 I was appointed Superintendent of Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota."

During his career, Wenk has received several awards and honors for his supervisory and management accomplishments, including the Meritorious Service Award, the second highest honor awarded by the Department of the Interior.

Wenk already has established goals for his new position.

"To assist the director of the NPS, Mary Bomar, to realize the goals of the NPS," he said. "Re-energize the support of the American people for the National Parks and rejuvenate their pride in the 'Best idea America ever had.'

"I want to reconnect our youth with their natural and cultural heritage and make our national parks relevant to all segments of the public and improve the capabilities of the national park system for the 21st century to meet the needs of a changing population."

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Facts first

Lesser wants proof of groundwater quality before plant expansion

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

Before a planned expansion of the wastewater treatment plant in Dexter Township proceeds, Carl Lesser wants to see some proof on the environmental quality of the groundwater next the plant.

Lesser is a Dexter Township trustee but his concerns are "personal" and wants it clear that he is not representing the township board. He also wants it clear that he is for the plant expansion and believes it is necessary.

"I want the project to go through, but I also want to see proof that the ground water is safe and so far I haven't seen any proof of that," said Lesser, a longtime farmer and lifelong resident who owns 85 acres off Island Lake Road.

"My concern is the possibility of contamination of the aquifer."

An aquifer is an underground layer of water-bearing permeable rock or unconsolidated materials (gravel, sand, silt, or clay) from which groundwater can be usefully extracted using a water well. Aquifers can occur at various depths and those closer to the surface are not only more likely to be exploited for water supply and irrigation, but are also more likely to be topped up by the local rainfall.

"Many of the wells over the aquifer are from 25 to 50 feet deep," Lesser said. "This area over the aquifer from Quigley Road to 4-Mile Lake had probably 50 flowing springs before it was ditched with County Drain No. 1 and field tiled which lowered the ground water."

"Tests of the monitoring wells on the boundaries exceed the limits for nitrates, phosphorous and sodium. I would like to be assured beyond the shadow of a doubt that 300,000 gallons per day is not going to contaminate the ground water."

The Department of Environmental Quality recently held a public hearing on the matter and only three people showed up. Lesser doesn't believe the public hearing was well publicized and hopes people respond to the DEQ's public notice seeking input and comment on a preliminary decision by the DEQ that an environmental impact statement is not required to implement the recommendations for the plant expansion.

The DEQ believes that an environmental impact statement is not required because an environmental review concluded that no significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed action. According to the notice for the public hearing, "Any adverse impacts have either been eliminated by changes in the project plan or will be reduced by the implementation of the mitigative measures discussed in the assessment."

The DEQ is required to evaluate all environmental implications of a proposed wastewater project. Those interested have until April 2 to send in their comments supporting or disagreeing with the DEQ's recommendations. Comments should be sent to DEQ, Environmental Science and Services Division, Revolving Loan and Operator Certification Section, Constitution Hall, 3rd floor, South Tower, P.O. Box 30457, Lansing, Mich., 48909-7957.

In the absence of substantive comments during the 30 days, the preliminary decision will become final. The four townships within the study area include Dexter, Lyndon, Putnam and Unadilla. Washtenaw County, in agreement with and on behalf of the Multi-Lakes Water and Sewer Authority (MLWSA) is proposing to issue bonds for the overhaul and expansion of the wastewater treatment plant located just north of North Territorial Road and west of Dexter Town Hall Road.

The DEQ report states "the information on the receiving groundwater is limited to the data collected from several monitoring wells. The size of the aquifer is unknown, as is the direction of the flow in the area beneath the treatment facility."

This statement leads Lesser to believe "that there is doubt about whether and EIS might be called for or not."

The $3.5 million project could be completed by the end of 2008.

Opinion

Things were better in the past

One is generally reluctant to write about the "good old days" because those who weren't around usually sneer at the uppity notion that conditions were once better than they are today.

So, with all due apologies to current legislators, here's the bad news: Things were a lot better than they are right now.

In the good old days, when lawmakers had more experience, it was comparatively easier to solve a budget crisis. To be sure, heads were knocked and threats were made, but at the end of the day a deal was hatched, and everyone had a drink and a handshake to celebrate.

Those days are long gone and everyone who voted for term limits, you're to blame.

Apparently you do not want lawmakers with experience to solve problems.

This is to take nothing away from the current cast of players, but you have a speaker with a little over two years in office and a Senate leader with just over eight years experience — none as a leader.

They were elected by slim margins so their power hangs by a thread. Plus, both of them have aspirations for higher office, which complicates the picture even more.

Add to that a governor with only five years as a chief executive and you have a prescription for a budget deficit challenge that remains high on name-calling and low on problem-solving.

That's not to say that they won't come to a conclusion, but they are not there yet.

"It's all about term limits," suggests a veteran lobbyist who has seen them come and go for years.

In this mess, the governor does have the advantage. She's got the wisdom of a seasoned panel of experts, but she's not followed all their advice.

She can also send into the negotiating room two guys with more than 50 years of combined time in the trenches. Budget Director Bob Emerson and Lt. Gov. John Cherry know how to craft a deal.

One seasoned administration source confides that the true test of leadership is knowing when to tell the special-interest groups to take a hike.

At some point, Senate GOP leader Mike Bishop, Democratic Speaker Andy Dillon and the governor will land on a solution that will not appease everyone. Hence, they will have to be firm and tell their respective special-interest groups its time knock off the rhetoric and get out of the way.

Of course, any such deal should have bipartisan support. Dillon has to mold a tax increase that protects about 15 members of his caucus who can't vote for it. That means he and the governor need at least 13 GOP votes, if not more, to neutralize the tax increase as a campaign issue in two years.

Bishop needs to stop

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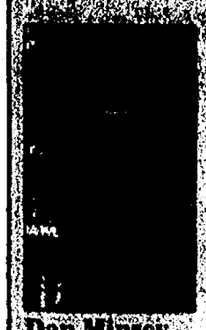
Washtenaw County

Sheriff drops lawsuit, seeks solutions

TIMELINE

August 2006

• Washtenaw County Sheriff Dan Minzey filed a lawsuit against the county, naming members of the Board of Commissioners and County Administrator Bob Guenzel, in an effort to block proposed layoffs of more than 40 deputies and support staff throughout Ypsilanti, Augusta and Salem townships.



Dan Minzey

November 2006

• After an evidentiary hearing in October, visiting Monroe County Judge Joseph Costello told parties that he would rule on the sheriff's lawsuit on or before Nov. 2.

Jeff Irwin

• Costello ruled against the sheriff ending several months of legal struggle and political backbiting. At first, Minzey announced he was going to file an emergency appeal but it never was completed.

• Despite the ruling, county deputies averted layoffs because of an 11th hour agreement between Ypsilanti, Salem and Augusta townships for contracted police services. The agreement, which was nearly abandoned a week later, allowed the townships to continue their lawsuit against the county.

January 2007

• Minzey files a second lawsuit against the county over their handling of jail overcrowding issues and accuses county officials of not using $62 million in unreserved discretionary funds to expand the jail.

• Guenzel said the claims in the lawsuit were "without merit."

"We've just about discredited all of the claims that he is making...We dealt with that last summer."

March 2007

• After talks between the sheriff and county officials markedly improve, Minzey decides to abandon his lawsuit against the county.

• Minzey said after sitting down with Board Chairman Jeff Irwin, he realized that they share similar concerns and want to work together.

By Austen Smith
Heritage Newspapers

A six-month legal battle between Sheriff Dan Minzey and Washtenaw County officials has come to an end.

After talks between Minzey and county officials markedly improved over the past several weeks, Minzey last week decided to drop an ongoing lawsuit against the county over the handling of jail overcrowding issues.

Minzey credits the change of events with the county board's newfound determination to resolve jail overcrowding and develop a sound policy for boarding out inmates.

"It is a dramatic change, I personally feel it," Minzey said. "When you take out stuff like the finger pointing and finally sit down and talk with all parties involved, you're able to say, 'OK, let's figure out where we're at.'"

A combined effort from Minzey and Board Chairman Jeff Irwin has improved communications between the two sides which, just six months ago, were not talking at all.

"I have seen a dramatic change since the first of the year in the chairman. He has really made himself available," Minzey said.

Irwin said he is delighted that Minzey dropped the suit and is committed to moving forward.

"(The board) tries very hard to work on communicating with the sheriff, and all of county departments, as we try to evaluate (Minzey's) needs against ours and others," he said.

"Its always good to hear (Minzey) say that we are working better together and moving forward. I would definitely say that the board has gotten better at communicating with the sheriff and our relationships are improving, which just helps us provide better service to county residents."

Last week, Minzey called together a meeting with county officials. After some discussion, Minzey said he eventually realized that he and Irwin shared a lot of the same concerns and goals.

"What happened was that I already was having talks with the chairman. I called together a meeting that brought together both sides and asked, 'Is there any middle ground where we might be able to go from here?'

"So, because communication was better at the present time, I told them that I would agree, at the time, to ask the judge to dismiss the lawsuit without prejudice," Minzey said.

Irwin also said that he and the sheriff share a lot of the same concerns with the jail and will try to hammer out those concerns in the future.

"We both realized that if we just focus on these issues, rather than wading through lawsuits, that's a better strategy as far as moving forward, and I certainly share that sentiment," Irwin said.

Washtenaw County Administrator Bob Guenzel said he was pleased with Minzey's decision. He said that both sides have a renewed commitment to put the past behind them.

"It was a good step forward, it's a good sign," he said. "I think the time was right to begin discussions again. (Irwin) has been very much hands on with the jail and that's good."

Boarding out policy

County officials and sheriff's department representatives are hopeful they will have a new boarding out policy to present to the board within several months.

County commissioners ended the practice of boarding out inmates to neighboring facilities after they discovered the sheriff had sent inmates to jails that did not have a contract with the county. Boarding out inmates is a common practice that mitigates overcrowding situations.

The newfound working relationship between Minzey and Irwin has catapulted boarding out talks. Minzey said he and his staff are gathering information from all facets of the criminal justice system, from the jail administrators to the public defenders.

"We're in a process right now where we are trying to find a policy that both sides can live with," he said. "We're trying to talk to all the stakeholders involved as we go along. That will help us put together a better framework."

While boarding out inmates to other facilities is a valuable tool for easing overcrowding, Minzey said it is just temporary and they need to find a solution for the chronic overcrowding problems facing the jail.

Last month, Minzey was ordered by Washtenaw County Judge Melinda Morris to enact a section of the state jail overcrowding law that allows the sheriff to reduce inmates' sentences by up to 30 percent. Inmates who fall under this statute cannot have been convicted of a felony, a violent crime or a sexual crime.

Minzey released 54 inmates from the jail. The action ended another struggle between the county and the sheriff as county officials had urged Minzey to enact the statute after he had declared an overcrowding emergency in December 2006.

Despite honoring the court order, Minzey said he still believes that releasing inmates back into the community is wrong.

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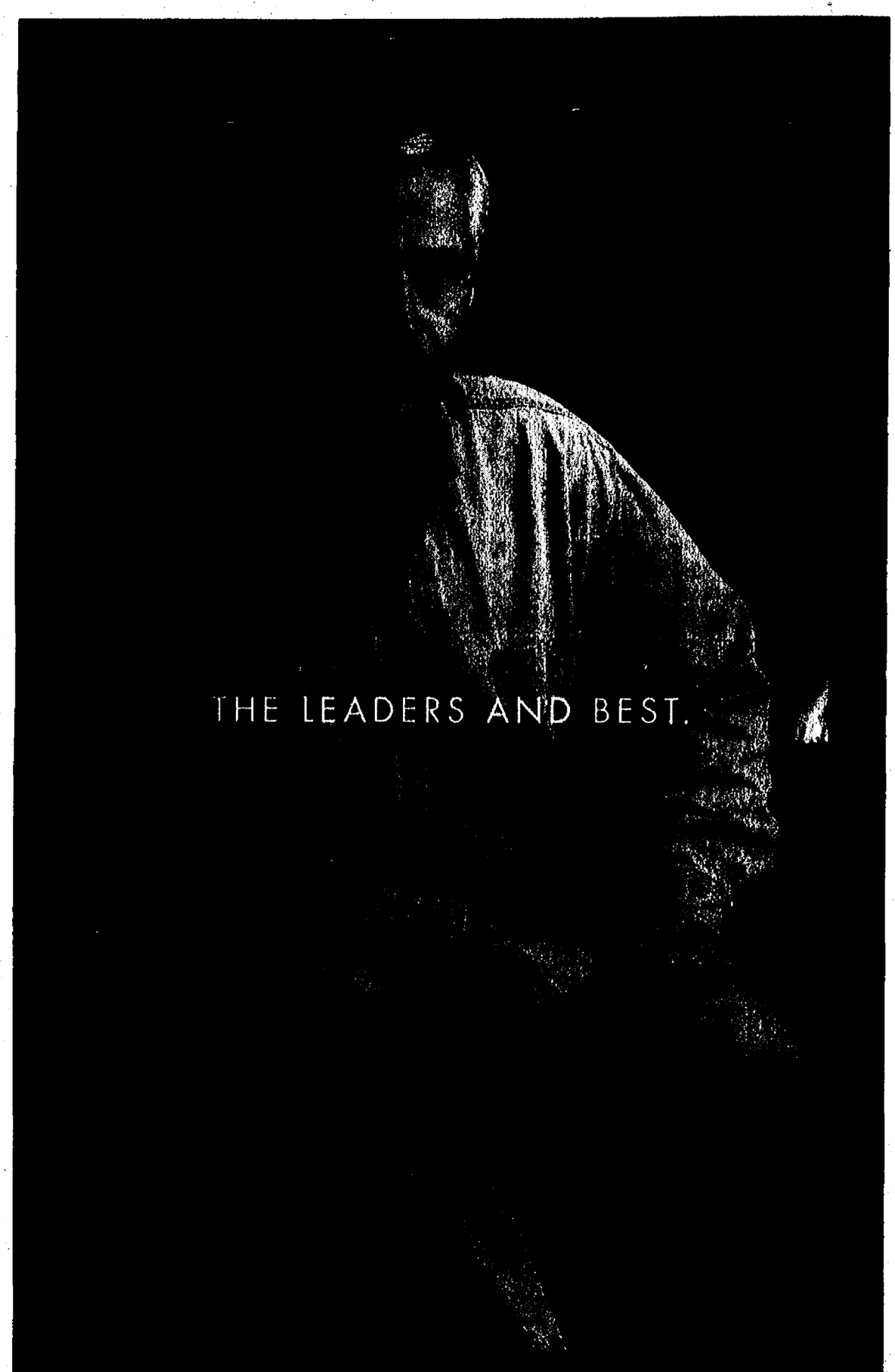

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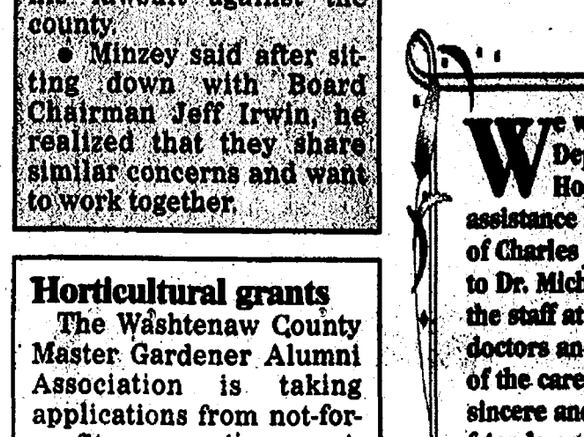

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NOAH

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ronmental study done that would necessitate forcing the installation of the Multi-Lake Sewer around Island Lake."

Noah noted that Bahm was one of only three lake residents to object to the installation of the sewer.

"The sewers were put in because the other homeowners circulated petitions and requested them," she said.

"We don't do lake studies; none of the townships do — ever. Studies are not required by law, and they are not indicated."

Noah, who also chairs the Multi-Lake Sewer Authority, pointed out that it was not her personal decision to approve the sewer district special assessment rolls, but rather a vote of the entire township board.

Noah's attorney, William Fahey, noted in his objections that the law requires that the reasons for the recall be based on the officer's conduct during his or her current term of office, and that the petition language is clear.

The first and fourth claims predate her current term of office, according to Fahey; the first and third claims were personal matters that had nothing to do with her conduct in office; and the second claim is invalid because it was settled by lawful conduct of the township board.

"Some of these things happened long before my re-election in November 2004, and the law is very specific about 'current term of office,'" Noah said.

"Petition language just needs to be clear so the average person can understand it; it has no legal standards to meet," she added.

Noah has 10 days after its release to challenge the decision, and said she intends to go to circuit court to have it thrown out.

The battle lines have been drawn, and it looks like the two women are headed for a showdown.

"We only need 319 signatures, which is not an unattainable number," Bahm said, but she said she realizes that even if a recall election takes place, there is no guarantee Noah will lose her job.

"We could get enough valid signatures and call an election, but that doesn't mean it will work," she said.

Noah said she is "really looking forward" to defending herself.

"As far as I'm concerned, there's no validity to any of it. I am going to meet this head-on," she said.

"I want the people of Lyndon Township to know what's going on."

Said Bahm: "I want the residents of Lyndon to wake up. It's time for a change, its time for new leadership."

POLICE

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woman parked directly behind the daughter's car. She demanded to talk with her daughter, and the officer twice had to ask the woman to leave.

The mother said she had a right to intervene because she had signed papers giving her full guardianship over her daughter, but could not produce them, the report said. He did not ask a third time, instead warning the woman she would be arrested if she refused to leave because her daughter was under police protection and did not want to see her.

The officer told the mother that her daughter did not appear to be mentally or physically incapacitated, and that she could pursue the matter though the courts.

He also gave her his business card and told her she could follow up the matter with Police Chief Ed Toth on March 5 if she wished.

The older woman left the station as ordered, but called police a short time later claiming that her daughter and friend had thrown eggs at two of her cars and flattened one of her tires on "Devil's Night," Oct. 30.

According to the police report, the officer asked why she had waited more than four months to report the damage. She said had, but the officer who responded did not notice any vehicle damage.

The woman also complained that her daughter's friend had made harassing phone calls to her.

She told police that her daughter and her friend admitted to her they had caused the damage and made the calls, but the officer told her that in the absence of any evidence to support her statement, the women would have to confess their guilt to police.

The following day, the report stated, the daughter told police that she had been admitted to a hospital elsewhere for drug dependency and depression.

TIMBER

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Fund-raising has already kicked off, with T-shirts and tote bags on sale, featuring the Timber Town image painted by Amy Mitchell's father John W. Mitchell Sr.

They are on sale at Mission Marketplace, The Chelsea TreeHouse, GiGi's Flowers, Cranesbill Books, and Chelsea Recreation Offices at the Washington Street Education Center.

The group has also received contributions from Moore Pediatrics & Associates, the Doan Family Foundation, Chelsea Kiwanis Club and Chelsea Milling Co.

Mitchell said the restoration is a two-pronged event, with the first event set for May 26, with a rain date of May 27.

"We're calling all skilled laborers and persons with any novice construction experience, such as a father who has done work in his own home, or assembled a backyard play structure," she said.

"These volunteers will be responsible for replacing all hardware play features on the structure. This will include addressing outdated safety issues on the structure, updating play features with more modern and safer equipment."

The crew also will replace chains, bolts, connectors, chimes, tires, monkey rings, suspension bridge, balance beam, bumper pads, and build a new rock wall.

The group hopes for about 75 to 100 volunteers on May 26, and also needs project managers to help coordinate the event.

Donations of tools are needed and include: chain or bolt cutters, socket wrenches, Phillips screwdrivers, multi-tab extension cords, ladders of all heights, garden rakes, generators with 120 or 220 amp service, pitch-forks, wheelbarrows, scoop shovels, shovels, pneumatic impact wrenches, brooms, compressors, Sawzall, Muck Trucks, drills or spade bits, circular saws, cordless drill bit extensions, router with ?-inch round bit, bolt cutters, cordless drill drivers with Phillips tips, chargers and extra batteries, vice grips, and pliers.

After the outdated and worn play equipment has been replaced May 26 it will be much easier for a large work group to access the structure to refurbish the mulch, sand and re-seal the entire structure at the second event, June 9 and 10, kicking off at 9 a.m.

"We are calling for many volunteers, as many as 200, to help out each day with that second restoration event," Mitchell said.

"We would also encourage children ages 12 and up to come and help, Mitchell said. "Part of the Friends of Timber Town mission is to provide a teachable image of community involvement to the children of Chelsea."

Mitchell said she would love to see the Chelsea Football Team, Soccer team, Show Choir Corp members, Boy and Girl Scout Troops, Church Youth groups and similar local groups have a large volunteer turn out.

"Given the tasks required June 9 and 10, we feel we are able to provide a job for everyone," she said. That is what makes Timber Town so great, it's a play structure for everyone!"

The June volunteers are encouraged to bring ladders, wheelbarrows, shovels, paint rollers and brushes, 80-grit sandpaper, palm sanders, paper towels and rags, beverages and snacks. Donors should label equipment with their name and phone number.

A free day care facility for children ages 3 and up is offered June 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Washington Street Community Center.

According to Chelsea parent Diane Bloom, a Chelsea Girl Scout Troop leader who is organizing of the Timber Town day care program, up to 60 children can be accommodated at one time. For information, contact Bloom at 475-8690 or Diane@factotem.com

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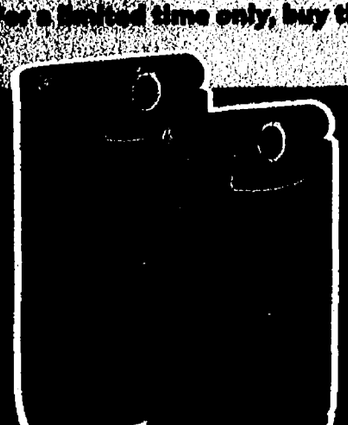

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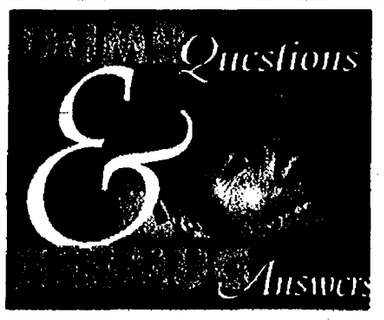

How did the speaking engagement go with the Chelsea Rotary? Better than the Dexter one?

I tried to limit my use of saying "umm" all the time. I think I did a pretty good job. No one walked out – and that's always a good sign.

I had a great suggestion from one of the members about trying to get more stories for seniors in the paper. He told me that this area has a large number of senior citizens living here. Newspapers all over the country are trying to attract younger readers and sometimes we forget our responsibility to everyone.

I also learned of the great work being done by the folks at the Chelsea Church of the Nazarene. They are involved in the Habitat project and are always looking for volunteers.

Why don't you volunteer?

I actually did. But they should know that I am afraid of heights so all my contributions must be done with my feet firmly on the ground. Sorry, no ladders.

And did the Chelsea Rotary ask you to become a member?

They said something like, "we will contact you." But I have to admit that I did get zinged by John Hansen, who was in attendance.

The Chelsea interim city manager "zinged" you?

Yes, he did. A Chelsea Rotary member said they would welcome me as a member. And I mentioned that the Dexter Rotary Club didn't offer me an invitation to join. John, who also is a member of the Dexter Rotary Club, said, "well, we have standards in Dexter."

Ouch!

Yes. That was a good one. You know it's good when it's something you wish you had said.

You gave Mr. Hansen high marks last week. Do you want to "update" your opinion of him?

Yes. I like him even more. You can't have enough humor in this world.

True. I remember when this column was funny.

Speaking of not being funny, Chelsea now has to pay more for water. Do you know how much money people spend on water these days? Forget gas. We're all going broke because of water. No longer is tap water good enough to drink. We now must drink bottled water with names such as Dasani, Aquafina and Fiji. And for the "elitist" folks there is Voss, which costs more per gallon than gas. My grandma lived until she was 90 and never had a bottled water in her life. She died thinking Fiji was an island and Voss was a municipality in Norway.

What did you watch on TV this week?

College hoops was on the screen for most of the weekend. But basketball aside, how many times does CBS have to promo the Simon Cowell interview on 60 Minutes. For anyone who cared, I'm sure they knew he was on. And for those of US who didn't care, why tell us 4,000 times.

What about the basketball?

As a Michigan fan, I found myself rooting for Michigan State to beat North Carolina. I have always liked Tom Izzo – I mean, how can't you like him. But what really got me bleeding green was the color announcer, Jay Bilas. Or is it Jay Bias? Jay went to Duke and he was so pro North Carolina it was maddening. Everything the Spartans did well was by mistake and everything North Carolina did was because of their exceptional skill and talent.

Is sports all you're going to talk about?

I can't talk politics anymore. Too many complaints. But if I was going to bring up politics I would ask why when Fox or the N.Y. Post has a story on something, it's biased. But not CBS or NBC or CNN? No agendas at those news agencies.

Anything else?

Yes. My good friend Linda of "Around Town with Linda" fame didn't really say to me the show didn't go well when I was the guest. That was just a joke. Just trying to be funny.

Maybe you should start putting (joke) in parenthesis after your lame attempts at humor?

Maybe I should get someone else to ask me the questions – notice no parentheses.

Opinion: Guest Column

Governor's plan could cut conservation district services

Dennis W. Rice
Guest Columnist

Washtenaw County residents may lose services offered by the Washtenaw County Conservation District, if State budget proposals recently offered by Governor Granholm are approved. But not just Washtenaw County, every County in Michigan will be impacted. In addition to grant cuts for the remainder of fiscal year 2007, the Governor's proposed 2008 budget eliminates base operation grant funding to Conservation Districts ($1.516 million) and also eliminates the $1.0 million funding for the Forestry Assistance Program which is provided through Conservation Districts.

You may ask, what is the Conservation District and what does it do for me? The Washtenaw County Conservation District is a local agency of state government which assists County residents with the conservation and management of their natural resources. The District was organized in 1948 and directly partners with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to provide: soils information; erosion control recommendations; a forester to assist with woodlot management and tree concerns; wildlife habitat development assistance; groundwater protection education; access to expert conservation planning assistance; and sales of trees, shrubs and native plants for conservation uses such as windbreaks, erosion control, wildlife habitat and landscape naturalizing.

There is more as well.

You may not have personally received help from the Conservation District, but there is a good likelihood that a neighbor, friend, relative, or favorite local environment group has. And all County residents benefit, at least indirectly, from the work of the Conservation District through the protection and enhancement of our natural resources.

Each County in the State of Michigan is served by a Conservation District. Districts assist farmers, developers, private businesses, landowners, local and county governments, and local conservation and environmental groups. Last year in Washtenaw County, more than 4,300 businesses, community groups and individuals received some form of assistance from the Conservation District; 13 government agencies were assisted; 124 landowners received forestry and wildlife assistance; 910 people received groundwater education assistance; and almost 100,000 trees and native plants were distributed to 860 residents.

What will be the results of these budget cuts if enacted? While impacts may be limited for the rest of fiscal year 2007, if the proposed funding cuts remain for 2008, drastic reductions to the programs and services offered by the District will result, including:

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Our take

New legislation will be more costly for taxpayers

Recently, the state House unwisely adopted a bill that would make it easier to file lawsuits and collect damages related to auto accidents, making it more costly to drive and conduct business in Michigan.

The bill would allow an injured driver or passenger to sue for lost wages and non-economic damages under broader terms than currently defined by state law. State law now allows awards for non-economic damages or pain and suffering, but only when the victim is killed, seriously impaired or seriously disfigured.

When Michigan residents are injured in auto accidents, their personal injury protection insurance covers their medical bills and up to three years of lost wages. All Michigan drivers are required by law to have personal injury protection insurance.

The net effect of House Bill 4301 — and a similar bill in the Senate — is to make it easier for those injured in vehicle accidents to file lawsuits. The change could open the floodgates for a tidal wave of lawsuits that the state's no-fault insurance system was designed to prevent.

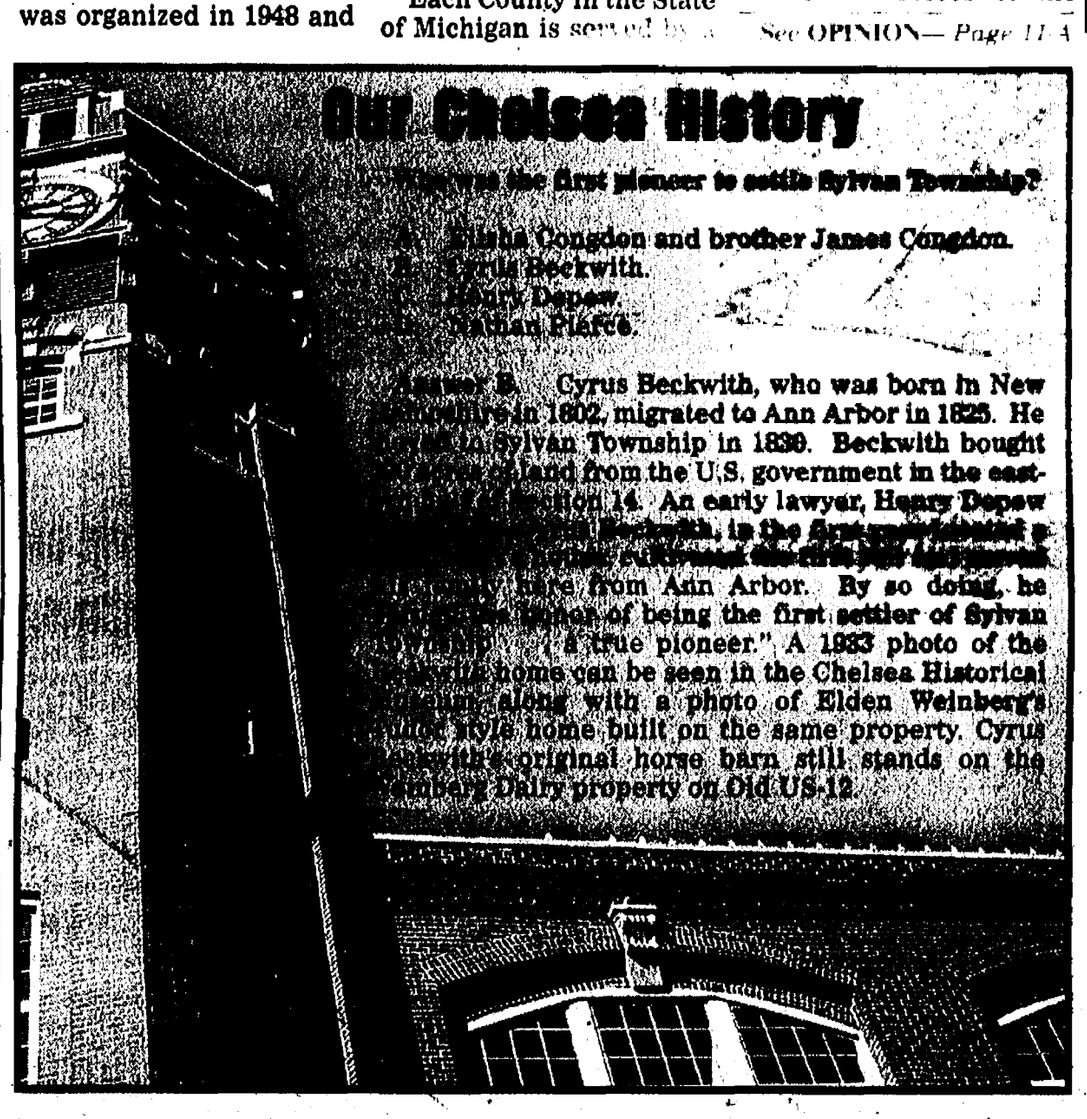
This issue is not a high priority for the people of Michigan. We did not send the current crop of representatives to Lansing to tinker with the state's no-fault insurance laws. We sent them there to address the state's budget woes and tax structure.

This bill, which could trigger an avalanche of lawsuits in our court system, may in fact make it more expensive to conduct business in Michigan. The state can ill afford legislation that may chase away additional jobs, and make it more expensive for residents, as well as companies that employ drivers and have fleet vehicles, to drive in Michigan.

When juries are involved, such lawsuits could lead to excessive financial awards that will skew the prices we all pay for insurance.

If such changes are to be enacted, they should be put to a referendum vote of the people of Michigan. The voters should be asked if they want the change because they will be the customers footing the bill for higher insurance premiums to cover the increase in litigation and jury awards.

When the House bill moves to the Senate, we call on our senators to vote against the measure and work to defeat the Senate version of the bill on behalf of all their constituents.



Michigan History

One strong Michigan woman

March is Women's History month – a perfect time to recognize the contributions of thousands of Michigan women who helped win the Civil War more than 140 years ago. As tens of thousands of men went off to save the Union and end slavery, their wives, daughters and sweethearts, with only a few exceptions, stayed home. These women experienced many new responsibilities, and often alone. Their only form of communication with their men was by letter or what they read in the newspapers.

In August 1861, 21-year-old Melissa Hoisington married 26-year-old Ben Wells in Fabius Township, near Three Rivers, Michigan. Later that year, Ben, who had joined the 11th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, headed to Kentucky with his regiment. Melissa stayed home to run the farm and await the birth of their first child.

Over the next two years, Ben's regiment saw action in some of the war's fiercest battles, including Stones River, Chickamauga, Chattanooga and Atlanta. In late 1863, after having not seen Ben since he left home, Melissa wrote, "I have spent many gloomy and unhappy hours since you have been in the South. I hope I may never experience such feelings again for it is suffering indeed."

Recounting the loss of her soldier brother from illness and her husband's two previous bouts with illness (which killed many more soldiers in the war than enemy bullets), Melissa wrote, "I often think I never knew what trouble was until since the commencement of this horrid rebellion." In an other letter she added, "News of great battles, great victories, great defeats reach us every day and yet I am ignorant of the fate of my Husband."

As the weeks turned into months, Melissa kept busy as a farmer, housekeeper and mother. On one occasion, she boasted about planting a large field of potatoes. Yet, hoeing them left her with "some lameness in (her) arms and a pair of hands pretty badly blistered."

Despite these many hardships, Melissa understood the important role women played in helping the northern armies win the war. In a letter explaining the work of women in the local aid society to promote "the comfort of the soldier," she added, "I think it is the duty of the woman as well as the men to do all they can to assist in suppressing the rebellion."

But when Ben suggested re-enlisting as his three-year term of service ended, Melissa cautioned him that she might be "tempted to hunt up another man." Ben got the message. He did not reenlist and came home in late September 1864.

Melissa and Ben had two more children; but life after the war was a struggle. On Jan. 22, 1883, 42-year-old Melissa Wells died. We know much about Melissa's hardships because Ben saved her letters, which was rare for a soldier on the move. However, there is no known picture of either of them.

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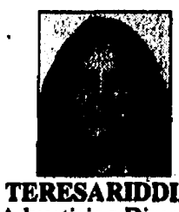
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SCHOOLS: Some officials say consolidation won't help

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make efforts toward consolidating services, they would incur funding penalties in 2009.

But while school officials across Washtenaw County agree that exploring ways to consolidate services is a good idea, they argue that consolidation is more complex than it might first appear, could lead to diminished levels of customer service, and — most importantly — do not expect to stumble upon significant savings in the near future.

"I agree with the concept of looking at consolidating services," said Milan Area School Superintendent Dennis McComb, "but in reality, I'm not sure these are overnight solutions."

Administrators are also quick to point out that consolidating services such as payroll or transportation does nothing to resolve the structural problems in school funding. Some bluntly say the call for consolidation is only another example of legislators affixing a Band-Aid to a gaping wound.

"There is a structural problem with the way we are funding schools," said Chelsea Area Schools Superintendent Dave Killips. "(Consolidation of services) does nothing to address that. We need a legislative answer to the problem."

Consolidation and cooperation nothing new

Some umbrage underlies district leaders' response to the brighter spotlight now turned on consolidation and cooperation efforts because they say they have been working on them all along.

"It's not a new idea," said Washtenaw Intermediate School District Superintendent Bill Miller, "but it is accelerating the idea."

"Consolidation of services is not a bold move," said McComb. "It is a public relations move."

Administrators are also concerned that past efforts in consolidating services may be seen by the state as not fulfilling any "carrot" requirements.

"Most districts in (Washtenaw) County have been a head of the curve on this," said Killips. "I would hope districts get credit for what they have already done. Districts that have been proactive shouldn't be shortchanged by this legislation."

Chelsea already shares the cost of a special education director through the ISD and is exploring opportunities to share transportation oversight when its transportation director retires at the end of this year.

The ISD is close to putting into place a countywide system for scheduling and paying substitute teachers and has formed a finance study committee expected to issue a report in June on the prospects of consolidating other administrative services.

"With technology there are some things we can do that we couldn't five years ago," Miller said.

Many districts also rely on the ISD to coordinate, staff development and participate in the Southwest Washtenaw Consortium to share the cost of career and technical courses for high school students.

Most of the districts also are members of different purchasing cooperatives to pool their buying power for materials, utilities and equipment.

District officials say they are considering other ideas of cooperation and consolidation, as well.

There is even talk of some districts sharing a superintendent.

"There are a whole variety of options available," said retiring Manchester Superintendent David Oegema.

Savings expected to be slight

There are no hard numbers on what districts might save through consolidating services, but it's unlikely the savings will exceed 10 percent of their budgets over the next four to five years, says Michigan State University Professor Eric Scorsone, who spent 15 months researching the consolidation of school and government services.

"There are long-term benefits to consolidating services, but short-term costs," he said.

The higher scale of savings would come from some form of consolidating health insurance programs.

Tom White, executive director of Michigan School Business Officials, agrees.

"There's no question in my mind that (consolidation) is something we need to look at," White said, "but it's unlikely there are big savings here."

On average, central office services come to about 3 percent of a district's budget, said White, and while savings can be found, he is not convinced it will be of any significant impact.

Saline Superintendent Beverley Geltner said she did not expect to see much savings in consolidating services, but would continue to have her staff look into it.

"We're open to anything that produces savings," she said.

In part, the savings may not be much because merging services is actually one of the more conservative options available to districts.

"(Consolidation of services) is not one of the more radical solutions so therefore it is not going to produce huge cost savings," said Scorsone, who pointed to privatization and the merging of smaller districts into larger districts as more "radical" ideas.

Not as easy as it looks

At first glance, consolidating services among districts appears straightforward, but school administrators say it's deceptive.

"This is far more complicated than people first think," White said. "It's more complicated than it is in the private sector."

For example, districts may have different accounting systems and software that would need to be converted if payroll were consolidated at the ISD level.

Each district's union contracts with teachers and support staff is different and would have to be accommodated. There is also no common school calendar across the county, which could complicate matters.

And someone at each district would still have to collect the payroll data and send it to the ISD for processing.

"I'm not sure it would save us much money," McComb said.

Scorsone said it's difficult. "It takes a lot of coordination. It is no trivial challenge," he said.

Aside from concerns over how much savings can be found and the complexity of putting any consolidation plan into place, administrators fear transferring some services to the ISD would adversely impact a sense of local control and identity that districts have built up over the years in their communities.

If transportation was coordinated at the ISD, for example, a parent calling the school because his or her child did not get off the bus would be directed to contact the ISD for assistance. School administrators believe such a scenario would leave a parent frustrated and angry.

"People are worried about what they're giving up and they're wondering if the level of service they've become accustomed to will diminish," Miller said. "It's a matter of tradeoffs."

Killips said going to any countywide system would result in the loss of some independence for districts.

"All of a sudden, the school district is less a part of the community," he said.

No consolidation of major services is expected any time soon, however, district officials say. For now, they continue to meet and explore ideas.

"There's been a lot of talk, but not much more than that," Oegema said. "As far as going the next step, that's a long way off."

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Attention junior gardeners

Washtenaw County MSU Extension 4-H is hosting the Junior Master Gardener Program for youth ages 9 to 11. In this lively hands-on program participants explore various gardening topics and plant a large garden. Classes are scheduled to run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays from May 8 – June 12 at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor. Cost for the program is $35 per child, which includes a personal copy of the Junior Master Gardener Reference book and materials for all class projects.

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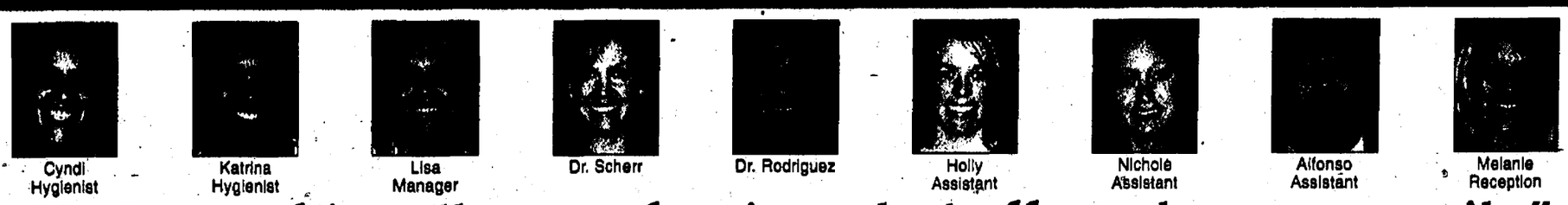

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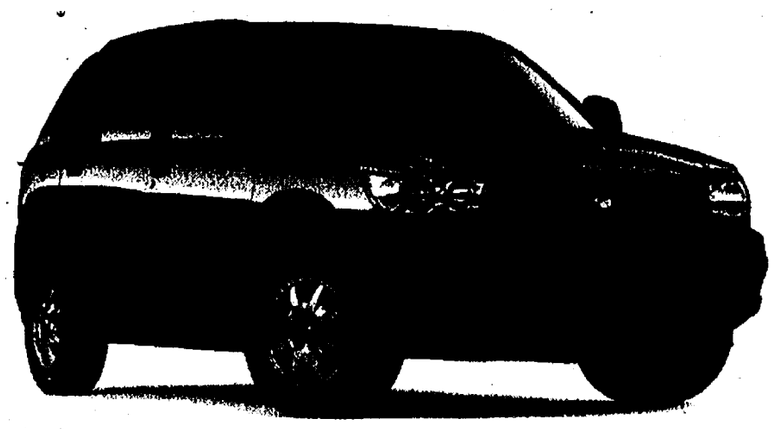

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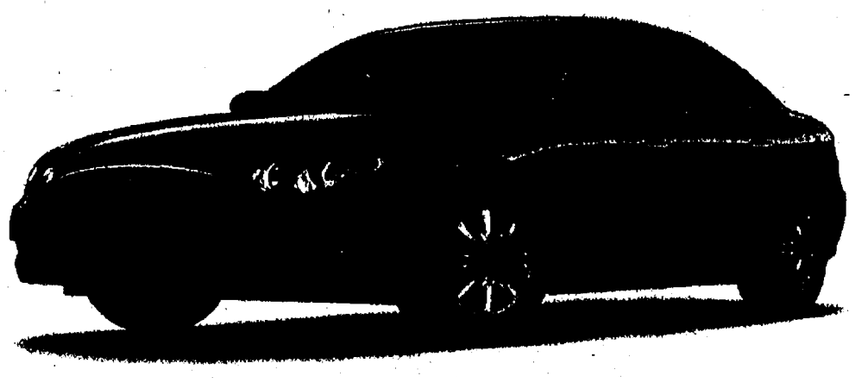

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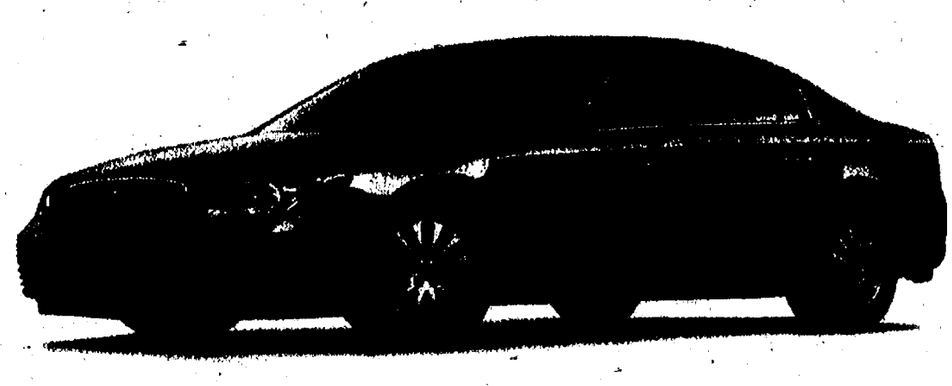

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OPINION

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Forestry Assistance Program District forester will be eliminated:

- Day to day operations of the District may be reduced.
- Newsletters and other publications of the District may be dropped.
- Tree, shrub & native plant sales may be reduced, without staff to conduct the sales.
- Assistance with USDA Farm Bill Conservation Programs may be limited, causing delays in development of conservation plans and documents required for participation in these programs.

Due in part to the partnership between the Conservation District and NRCS in 2006, $1.75 million in cost share and incentive payments were brought into Washtenaw County through such federal conservation programs as the Conservation Reserve Program, Conservation Security Program, Farm & Ranchland Protection Program and Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program.

Conservation District staff assist with the implementation of these programs. Several farm properties protected through the Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program in 2006 have benefited from Farm & Ranchland Protection Program grants which required conservation plans developed in part, with Conservation District help. With limited or no assistance from the Conservation District, such funds coming into Washtenaw County's economy could be jeopardized.

The environment of the State of Michigan is something that cannot be replaced and hoping to address it at another, more financially stable time is unwise. Conservation Districts, which operate on a very minimal amount of State funding, are a very effective and cost-efficient way to assist landowners with conservation issues.

Cutting these State appropriations will be devastating to most Districts in Michigan and, therefore, devastating to the citizens and natural resources that depend on them, Washtenaw County included. By keeping the funding in place, Conservation Districts can continue to protect and enhance the natural resources of Michigan.

If you have taken advantage of, or been benefited by any program or assistance offered by the Conservation District, from the forester, to the tree sale, to soils information, to a conservation plan, or any other service, please call, write, fax or e-mail your state senators, representatives and the governor and ask them to restore fiscal year 2008 funding for Conservation Districts to a minimum of $20,000 per District, and restore the $1.0 million funding for the Forestry Assistance Program.

Contact information for these elected officials, as well as information about these looming funding cuts is available on the Conservation District web site at: www.washtenawcd.org. For more information about the Washtenaw County Conservation District, contact the District Office at (734) 761-6721 or visit the District web site.

Dennis W. Rice is the executive director of the Washtenaw County Conservation District.

SKUBICK

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worrying about what his caucus will think and lead. Years ago, that would have been respected by everyone. Now, Bishop gets no respect if he does what he thinks is right.

The art of the legislative deal is never easy, especially when the issues are tough and the public may not like the solution. But everyone is paid to make some tough decisions based on what's right for the state.

In that regard, nothing has changed from the good old days.

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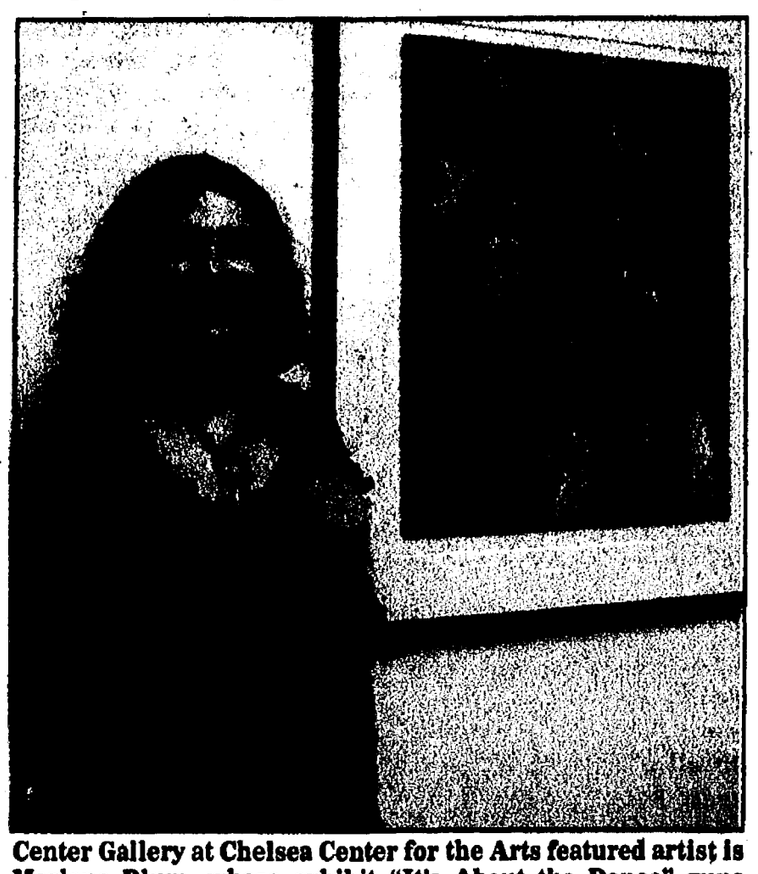

Center Gallery at Chelsea Center for the Arts featured artist is Marlene Blum, whose exhibit "It's About the Dance" runs through March 31. The Chelsea Center for the Arts is located at 400 Congdon St., Chelsea. The gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m. to noon on Fridays.

Arts mini-camp

Come to the Chelsea Center for the Arts for a mini-vacation during Spring Break, April 3 -5. The program will feature making paper and crafts including molded paper and sculptures, cards, books and cool embellished paper all with simple, recycled materials.

Come once or all three days from 9 a.m. to noon and bring the kids to this fun day of art! Kids who want to come without their families must be 6 years and older. The cost per person is $19 each day or $50 for all three days.

The CCA also is offering activities from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. April 2 – 5 for kids ages 7 and older. Kids should bring their outdoor clothes and a lunch. They will be dabbling in all kinds of art, visual and performing. The cost for the extended program is $45 each day or $150 for four days.

For more information or to register, call the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 1-734-433-2787. Advance registration is required.

"Monet" in Cleveland

The Cleveland Museum of Art presents "Monet in Normandy" through May 20. The Chelsea Center for the Arts will take a day-trip to see this extraordinary exhibit in the last venue in the world to host this collection of revered masterworks on April 20. The bus will leave the CCA at 7a.m. Treats and beverages will be offered on the three-hour trip to Cleveland. Guests will view the exhibit then enjoy lunch at the museum café. After lunch, the group will walk to the Western Reserve Historical Society to see "Diana, A Celebration" collection of memorabilia from Diana, Princess of Wales, or the other exhibits including the Crawford Auto and Aviation Museum. The cost is $86. To make reservations or for more information, call the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 734-433-2787.

Raven tribute

The music from one of the country's longest running and successful coffee houses, the Raven Gallery in Southfield, will again be heard at "The Raven Gallery Reunion." On May 18, the Chelsea Center for the Arts will host Ron Coden and Josh White Jr., two of the Raven's most popular performers, on stage at the Chelsea Comfort Inn and Conference Center, 1645 Commerce Park Dr. Chelsea. A "warm up" for the concert will be held at the Chelsea Gallery from 6 to 7:30 p.m. with light hors d'oeuvres and beverages and wonderful work by local artists. The concert, performed in a "coffee house" setting with snacks and a cash bar, begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are $25 in advance and $30 at the door and are available by calling the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 734-433-2787.

Kevin Meisel Band

As part of the Music Celebrations Series from the Chelsea Center for the Arts, the Kevin Meisel Band will perform at the Chelsea Depot at 8 p.m. on April 28.

Kevin Meisel has played locally for the past 10 years in the thriving music scene in Ann Arbor, forming acoustic and electric bands with his brother Keith. During this time, he began to forge his artistic identity as a songwriter, playing gigs at the Gypsy Café, the Blind Pig, and The Ark. As a recording artist, Kevin is currently working on his third record, "Cruising for Paradise" to be released later this year. Joining him are CCA instructors Alex Anest and Sam Vail as they perform root-rock and folk music in this special concert.

Tickets are $14 for adults and $10 for students (18 and younger) and are available by calling the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 734-433-2787 or at the center.

For more information about this and other programs, visit our web site at www.chelseacenterforthearts.org.

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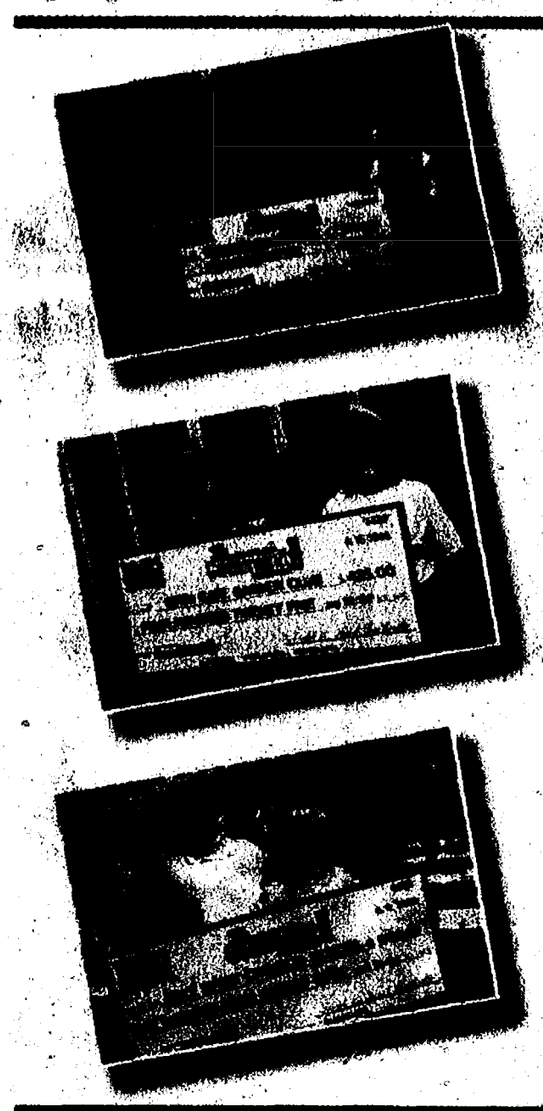

$775,000 donated by TSI

In the late summer of 2005, Todd's Services, Inc. kicked off their *Give Back to the Community Program (GBC)*, donating 3% of every job to the local, non-profit organization of the customer's choice.

Todd's Services (TSI) started out with a goal of $1 million to be donated. With such a huge response from organizations in need, TSI quickly increased the amount to $2 million. "We just did not realize there were so many non-profit organizations in our area and definitely did not realize so many were in real need," says Kurt LaButte, one of the owners of Todd's Services, Inc.

Since late summer of 2005, TSI has donated $775,000 to the community. Most participating organizations have received donations in the thousands of dollars. If you are not participating in their *Give Back to the Community Program*, you should contact TSI. (810) 231-2778.

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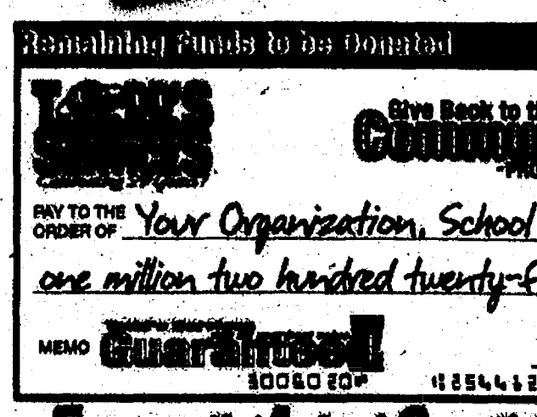

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Q. What percent of the jobs do you pay 3% on?
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Q. Why has the GBC Program been so successful?
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Q. What is the best way I can inform the members of my organization about the Give Back to the Community Program?
A. Talk about the program, let others know you are participating by distributing flyers or mailers for your organization. TSI will create custom flyers or mailers for you. The flyers can be mailed, e-mailed or distributed at meetings or events.

Q. Is there a cost to participate? What if I need to have materials printed or mailed?
A. NO, this program is free. TSI usually covers all the costs for printing and mailing. We try to make it very easy for the organizations.

Q. Are you asking us to promote your company?
A. Certainly. This program is another way the public can support local, non-profit organizations. You can feel very confident referring TSI. TSI has been Voted the Best Landscaping Company 7 Years In a Row, and TSI guarantees to be a customer's best value.

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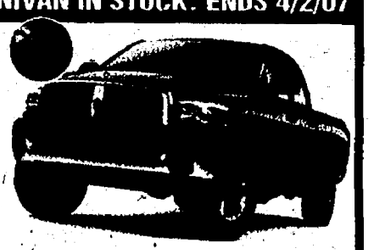

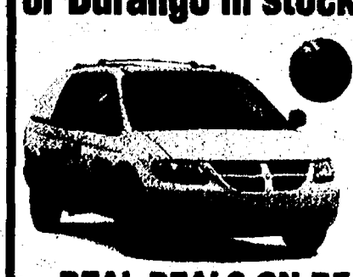

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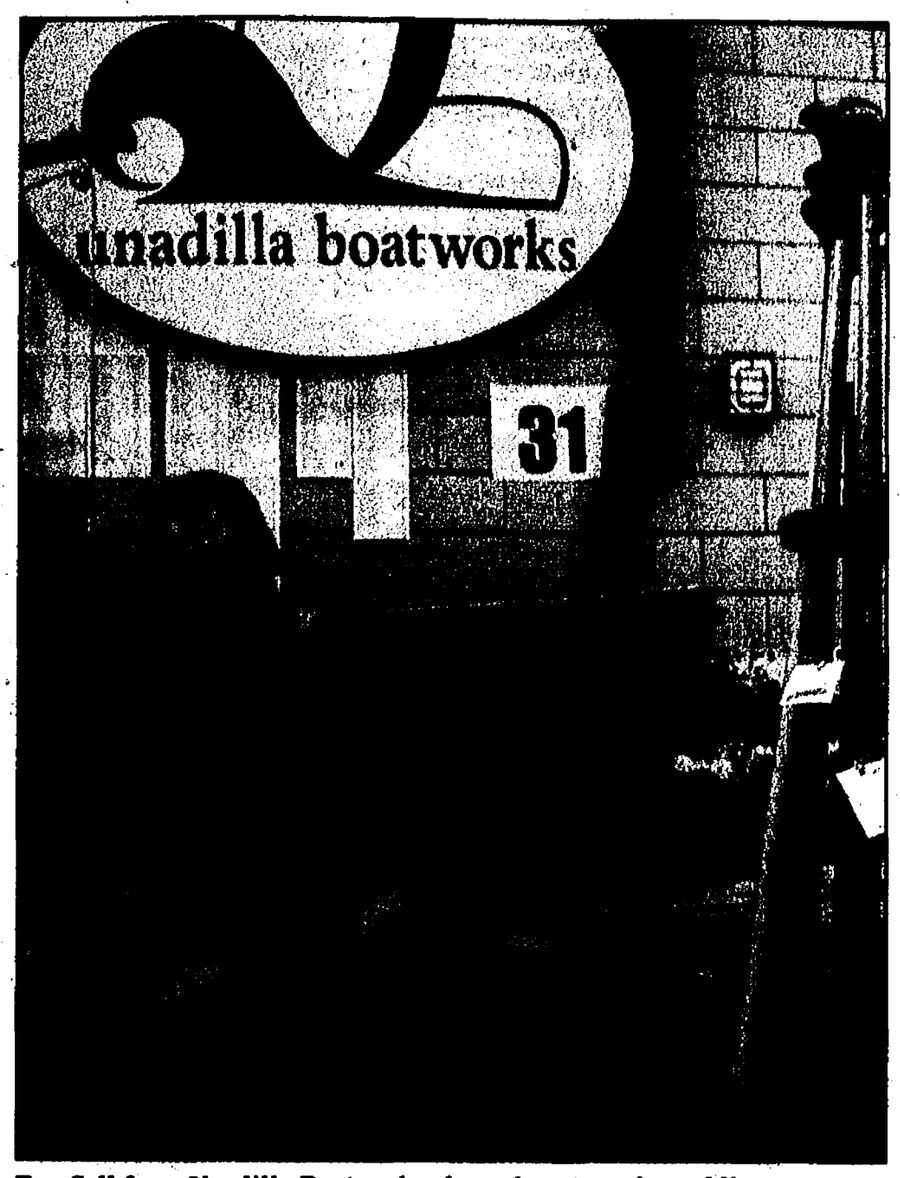
Crafts from the past

Dexter Pioneer Arts Fair another success

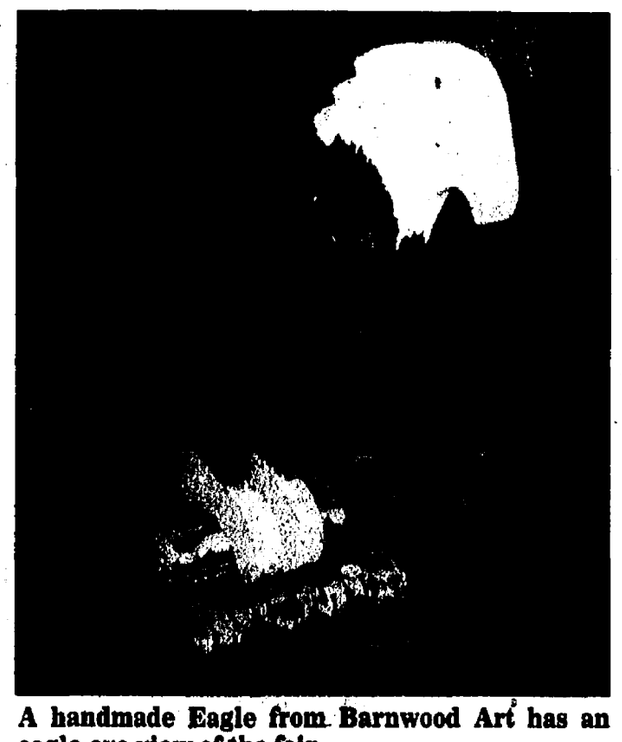
Chelsea's Artemis Eyster shows a little birdy go-round that she made for the fair.

The Dexter Pioneer Arts Fair was held March 17 at Creekside Intermediate School in Dexter. More than 50 artists showed visitors from all over the area how to make craft items. Families got to see many craft items being made, children got to make a notecard, weave a mat, make a basket and so much more.

Photos by Rita Fischer

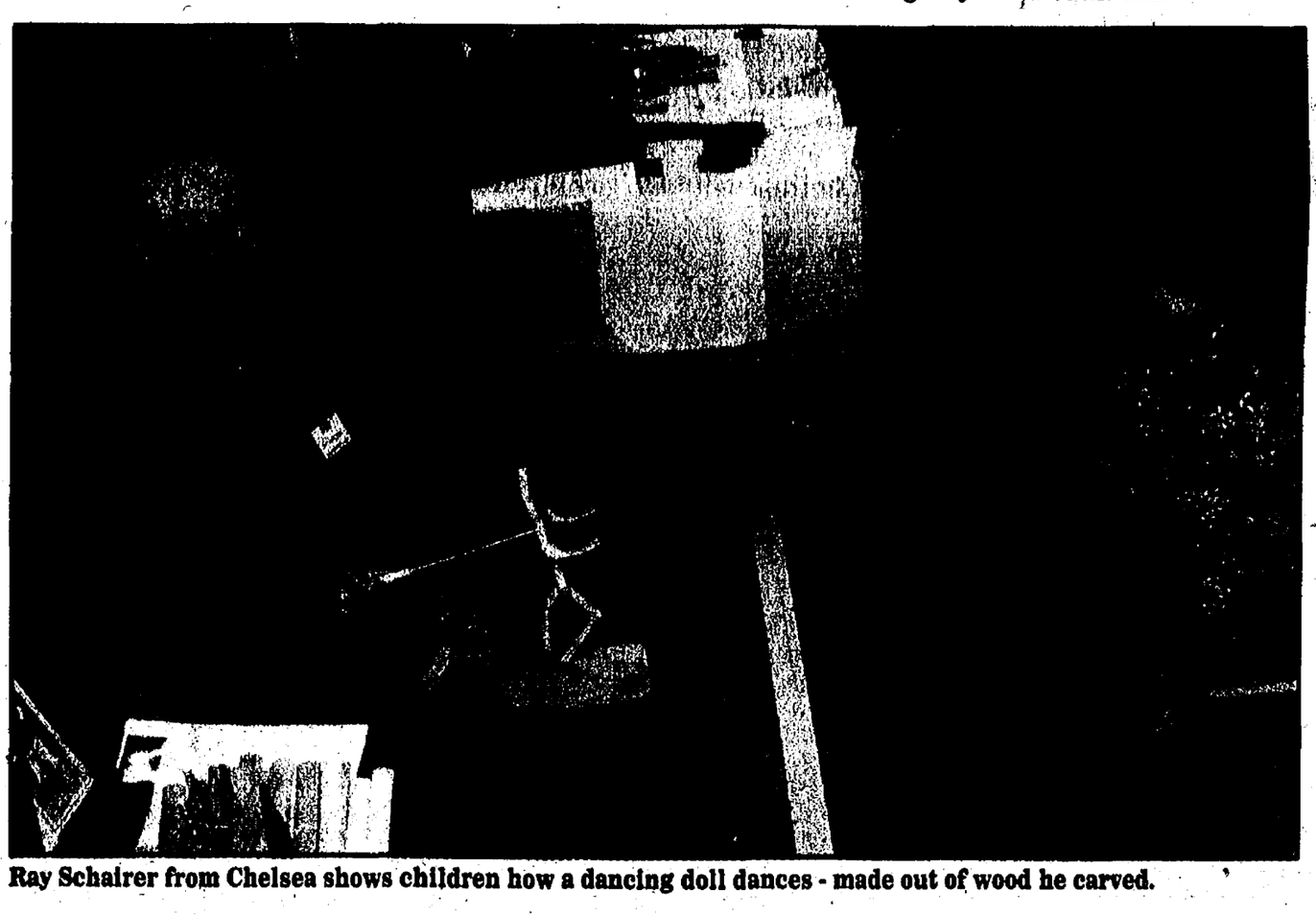


Ron Sell from Unadilla Boatworks shows how to make paddles.

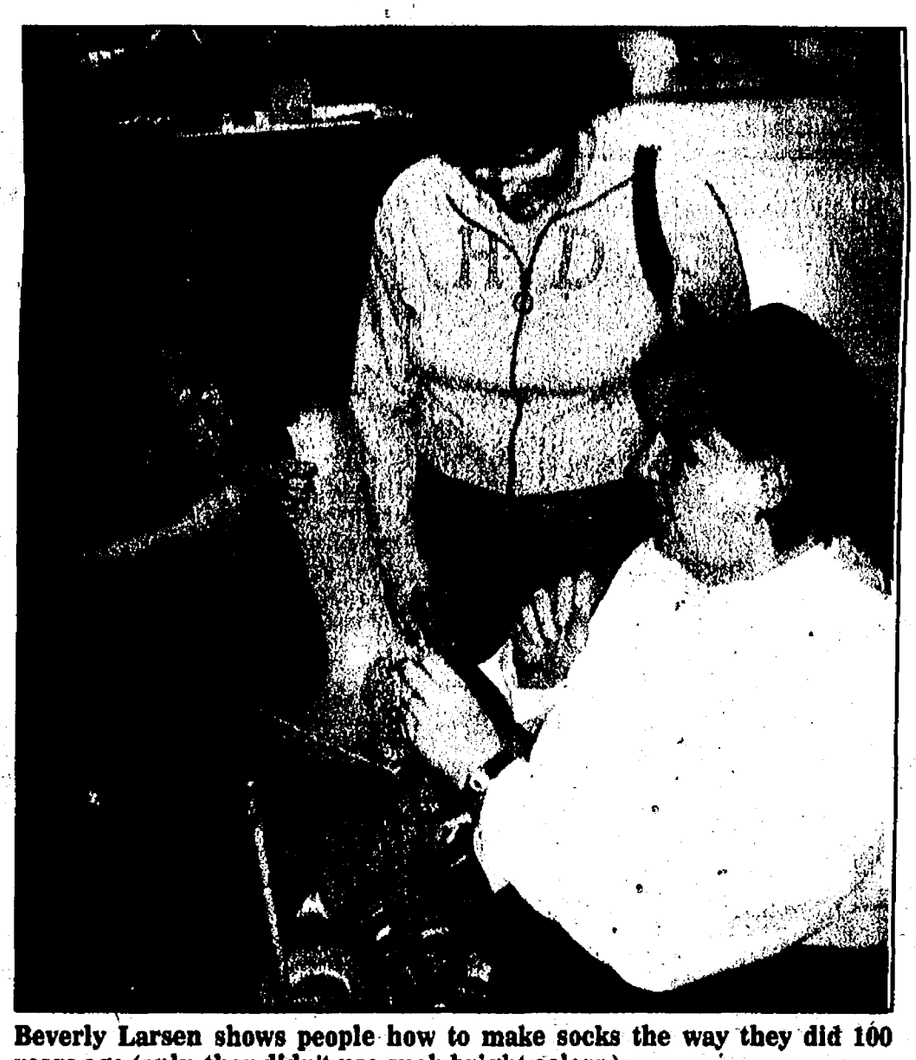


A handmade Eagle from Barnwood Art has an eagle-eye view of the fair.

Joann Meyer shows people how a chair is caned.



Ray Schairer from Chelsea shows children how a dancing doll dances - made out of wood he carved.



Beverly Larsen shows people how to make socks the way they did 100 years ago (only they didn't use such bright colors.)

Sheep made by Lee Ann Racine from Dexter were a big hit.

One young lady learned how to make a beautiful basket for Easter.

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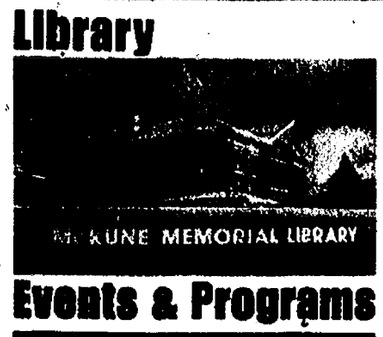


Events & Programs

The annual bookmark contest, part of the National Library Week celebrations, is in full swing. This year's theme is "Happy Birthday McKune Memorial Library!" Winners in each age category will be selected by the Woman's Club, the organization that founded the library in 1932, and will receive a laminated copy of their bookmark and gift certificates from local merchants. Complete details and official entry forms are available at the library. All entries are due to the library by March 30, while winners will be announced at the Friends Open House at 1 p.m. on April 21.

The library offers after-hours pick up lockers for those times when patrons reserved books, movies and other materials but can't get to the library before closing.

Once a patron receives notice that their items have arrived, contact the library. You will receive a password to access the lockers, and the items will be placed in a locker to pick up after the library closes but within 24 hours. Stop by and we'll give you a demonstration.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Koki Animanga Club

Join Edith Burney for all things anime and manga - screenings, swaps, quizzes and more. McKune Room; Drop-in

Fridays, March 23 (3:30 to 5:30 p.m.) 13 and up.

Friends Used Book Sale

Saturday, March 24 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Michigan Genealogy Resources

Saturday, March 24 (10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). Learning Lab, registration. Explore what's available to researchers through the state, Web sites and library databases.

Excel Basics

Tuesday, March 27 (6:30 to 8:30 p.m.). Learning Lab, registration

Babytime

Tuesday, March 27 (10:30 to 11:15 a.m.)

KidSpot; Drop-in. Babytime is the place to introduce your baby (0-23 months) to the world of books and reading.

Evening Storytime: Duckies!

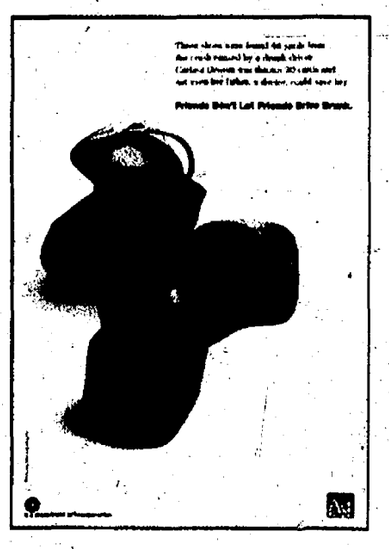
Tuesday, March 27, 6:30 p.m. KidSpot; Drop in

Toddler Storytimes

Every Wednesday and Thursday with Miss Jackie and Rosie. March 29 and 30 KidSpot, registration.

10:30 to 11 a.m., 2-3-year-olds (with caregiver)

11:30 to noon, 3-5-year-olds (caregiver in the building) What could be more fun than stories, songs, fingerplays and wonderful crafts?



CHELSEA CALENDAR

Around town

Saturday

Morning, Mochas and Melodies, a free event open to the public held every Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Pierce's Pastries Plus, 103 W. Middle St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-6081.

Friday

The Brass Quintet, "Four Old Men and a Babe" will perform a free concert 7 p.m. at the historic Stockbridge Township Hall, in downtown Stockbridge.

Friday & Saturday

Hilarious play by Neil Simon, "God's Favorite" a comedy about the Book of Job, will be performed 7 p.m. both days by the Youth of The First Congregational Church of Chelsea, 121 E. Middle St., in Chelsea. The performance will be followed by a dessert reception. A free will offering will be taken to support youth mission trip. For more information, call 475-1844.

Saturday

Friends of McKune Memorial Library are having a used book sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the McKune Memorial Library, 221 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-5829.

Sunday

A free family concert will be performed 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St.,, in Chelsea. Presented by the Chelsea Chamber Players in collaboration with Wild Swan Theater. For more information, call 475-0433 or visit the web site at www.chelsea-chamberplayers.com

Friday, March 30

131st Annual Egg Supper will be held from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at The North Lake United Methodist Church, 14111 North Territorial Rd., in Chelsea. This free-will offering supper is open to the public, and is a fundraiser for camp and mission scholarships.

Land Trust

The Washtenaw Land Trust announces two upcoming events at its Sharon Hills Nature Preserve, located north of Manchester and south of Chelsea, Michigan:

Saturday April 14 (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.). Fitting prescribed burning into your management plan. Do you own natural area property that you'd like to learn how to care for better? Would you like to learn about caring for natural areas in general? Join us at the Washtenaw Land Trust's Sharon Hills Preserve to learn about management plans and prescribed burns.

There's also a possibility of doing hands-on burn preparation work, so be prepared to be outside, in the field, and active. Cost: Free and open to the public. To register: http://www.stewardshipnetwork.org/raisin/prescribedburn or call 734-302-5263.

Sunday April 15 (1 to 3 p.m.) Re-dedication celebration and hike. Join us for a reception and nature hike at Washtenaw Land Trust's Sharon Hills Nature Preserve. Refreshments provided. Cost: Free and open to the public. For directions and to sign up, contact 734-302-LAND(5263) or info@washtenawlandtrust.org.

Directions and map to Sharon Hills Nature Preserve (and other Land Trust preserves): http://www.washtenawlandtrust.org/docs/wlt_directions.pdf

Parks & Recreation

Waterloo Recreation Area

The following are programs scheduled at the Waterloo Recreation Area.

"Bluebirds in your Boxes," 2 p.m. Saturday: Naturalist and bird bander Terry Green will show how to attract and enjoy these beautiful symbols of happiness. Learn about bluebirds and their habitat, as well as how to make, install and care for bluebird nest boxes. A limited supply of pre-cut nest box kits will be available for purchase.

Hudson Mills Metropark

Easter Egg Hunt, April 1, noon. Kids through the ages of 12 are welcome to sign up. Participate in a variety of activities while you wait for your age group to be called. There is a fee of $2 per child. Call 1-734-426-8211 to pre-register for the program.

Bird Hike, April 14, 7:30 a.m. Bring your binoculars and a field guide to observe bird species seen in the park. There is a fee of $2 per person. Call 1-734- 426-8211 to pre-register.

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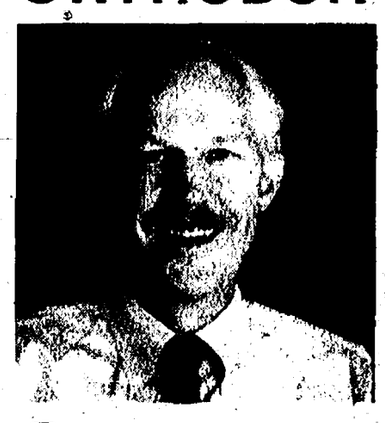

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Victoria Rives and Michael Pratt, both of Indianapolis, are engaged and planning a June 2, 2007 wedding. The future bride is the daughter of Daniel and Linda Rives of Bloomington, Ind. She graduated from Bloomington High School South in 1998, from Indiana University School of Nursing in 2002 and earned her Masters degree in Nursing Administration in 2006 from Indiana University. She is employed at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis as a Clinical Nursing Educator. The future groom is the son of Karen and the late Edgar Pratt of Chelsea. He graduated from Chelsea High School in 1998, from Eastern Michigan University in 2003 with a degree in Professional Chemistry, and is working on his Masters degree in Applied Statistics at Indiana University-Purdue University. He is employed at Eli Lilly & Company in Indianapolis as an Associate Analytical Chemist.

Jessica French of Chelsea, daughter of Mike French and Tamara French, both of Chelsea, and Steven Temelko of Jackson, son of Richard and Betty Temelko of Jackson, are engaged and planning a June 23, 2007 wedding at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Ann Arbor. The future bride graduated from Chelsea High School in 2002 and from Ferris State University-Nursing in 2006. She employed at Foote Hospital Emergency Department as a Registered Nurse. The future groom graduated from Jackson Lumen Christi High School in 1994 and from Western Michigan University in 1999. He is a State Trooper for the Michigan State Police.

Stephanie Fischer of Dexter and Frank Guza of Hamburg, are engaged and planning an April 14, 2007 wedding. The future bride is the daughter of Brad and Cindy Fischer of Dexter. She is a 2004 graduate of Dexter High School and Huron Valley Beauty Academy. Stephanie is also studying to earn an Early Childhood Education degree. She is employed with a Great Clips franchise hair salon, in Dexter, as a hair stylist. The future groom is the son of Frank and Dorothea Guza of Hamburg. He is a 2004 graduate of Pinckney High School and a 2006 graduate of University of Northwestern Ohio where he earned a degree in Applied Science, majoring in Automotive Technology. He is employed with Detroit Diesel as an engineering technician.

Meredith Beel-Bates of Groveport, Ohio and Christopher Kennedy of Ashburn, Va., are engaged and planning a June 13, 2007 wedding in Sandbridge, Va. The future bride is the daughter of David Bates and Cindy Beel-Bates of Rockford. She is a 2001 graduate of Dexter High School and a graduate of Capital University in Bexley, Ohio. The future groom is the son of Mark and Heidi Kennedy of Dublin, Ohio. He also graduated from Capital University.

Corrie Schoenberg of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Matthew Arnn, are engaged and planning an Oct. 13, 2007 wedding in Brooklyn, N.Y. The future bride is the daughter of Douglas and Rebecca Schoenberg of Chelsea. She is a 1995 graduate of Chelsea High School and received a Bachelor's degree from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. She is Director of Communications, NYC Teaching Fellows program at the New York City Department of Education. The future groom is the son of Aubrey and Margaret Arnn of Winter Park, Fla. He received a Bachelor's degree from University of Texas-Austin, and a Master's, degree from University of Virginia School of Architecture. He is a Regional Landscape Architect, Northeast Region, USDA Forest Service. He is also a designer with the Inscape Studio collaborative of Washington, D.C.

WEDDINGS

Courtney Jones and Nick Thompson were married Oct. 28, 2006 at St. Andrew's United

Church of Christ in Dexter. The bride is the daughter of Carol Jones of Dexter, and Dana and Donna Jones of Dexter. The groom is the son of Carl and Jill Thompson of Dexter.

The maid of honor was Kate Arbor of New Orleans.

The bridesmaids were Kelly Dyer of Atlanta, Alicia Crocker of Dexter, Michelle Hedding of Chelsea, Tanya Fraker of Winterhaven, Fla., Suzanne Hansma of Ann Arbor, Meghan Tomlison of Janesville, Wisc., and the junior bridesmaid was Lauren Stanfield of Troy.

Daniel Brinkman of Ypsilanti was the best man.

The groomsmen were Larry Dunn of Italy, Kyle Jones of Dexter, Ryan Knost of Shelby Township, and RJ Meske of Ann Arbor.

The ushers were Nathan Jones and Christian Thompson, both of Dexter.

The reception was held at Fox Hills in Plymouth. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii, and currently resides in Chandler, Ariz.

ANNIVERSARY:

Walter and Peggy (Landis) Hamilton of Sarasota, Fla., formerly of Chelsea, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 10. The couple was married at First Baptist Church in Waynetown, Ind. on March 10, 1957. Their children are Cathy Marks of Chelsea, Janice Schwartz of Romeo and Linda Berlin of Mayville, Wisc. They have eight grandchildren. Walter was a printing executive, then a children's products retailer, he retired January 2004. He was also former Chairman of the Board at Chelsea Community Hospital. Peggy was an Administrative Assistant at University of Michigan, and she retired in 1999. They were long time members of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Chelsea.

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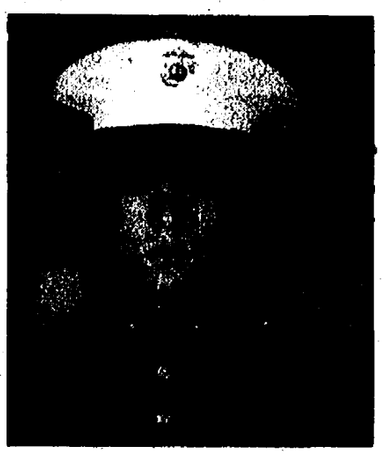

PFC. Jeffery A. Johnston has graduated from Marine Boot Camp Training on Parris Island S.C., March 9, 2007.

He graduated from Chelsea High School in 2002 and received his Associates degree from Washtenaw Community College, before enlisting in the U.S. Marine Corp. on Dec. 11, 2006.

Jeff will receive further training at Camp Lejuene in N.C. He is the son of Ken and Violet Johnston of Chelsea, and the brother of sisters, Stacie, Jill and Renee.

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The following students graduated from Central Michigan University in 2006. Tara Koch of Chelsea, received a Bachelor of Science in Education; Michael Drexler of Dexter received a Bachelor of Applied Arts; Jared Powers of Chelsea received a Bachelor of Applied Arts, and Kari Taylor of Chelsea received a Bachelor of Science degree.

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Andrew Vanderput, a junior at Hillsdale College, was on the Dean's List for the 2006 fall semester. He is the son of Mark and Mary Jane Vanderput of Dexter. He graduated from Dexter High School in 2004.

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Spring Arbor University's Dean's List for the fall 2006 semester includes: Sara Hornback, daughter of Ed and Paula Hornback of Dexter; Elin Ridenour, daughter of Rebecca Ridenour of Dexter; and John Sowash, son of John and Cheryl Sowash of Whitmore Lake. The following students are all from Chelsea, Aimee Maples, daughter of Donna Maples, Alison Olberg, daughter of Earlene Olberg, Christopher Ruikka, son of Martin and Jeanne Ruikka, and Candace Stebelton, daughter of Mark and Lisa Stebelton.

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Philip Sawicki of Chelsea and Ryan Martin of Dexter, were on the Dean's List for the fall 2006 semester at Saginaw Valley State University.

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Kyle Patterson of Dexter will present a project at the 40th Conference on Senior Engineering Design Projects at Western Michigan University on April 17, 2007. His project is Heater Design and Date Collection for Pool Boiling. He is the son of Louis and Mary Pomerville of Dexter, and graduated from Dexter High School in 2002. He plans to receive a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering in June 2007.

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Margery Evans, daughter of Dr. Rawden and Cynthia Evans of Ann Arbor, was on the Dean's List at Denison University for the fall 2006 semester. Evans, a 2003 graduate of Dexter High School, is a senior majoring in biochemistry.

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Ariel Schepers, daughter of Susan Welker and Gregory Schepers of Pinckney, was on the Dean's List at Denison University for the fall 2006 semester. Schepers is a 2006 graduate of Chelsea High School.

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Grand Valley State University Dean's List for the fall 2006 semester includes from Chelsea: Kelsey Benton, Kathrine Hardcastle, Elizabeth Hungerford, Adam Naab, Kirra Sheremet and Drew Wint. The following students are from Dexter: Craig Buno, Lindsay Cook, Megan Field, Lori Hanson, Anna Haroney, Courtney Johnston, Kristen Kolakowski, Erica Kovacs, Jason Lynch, Mark Munson, Jaime Oppenlander and Meredith Stilwell.

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Obituaries

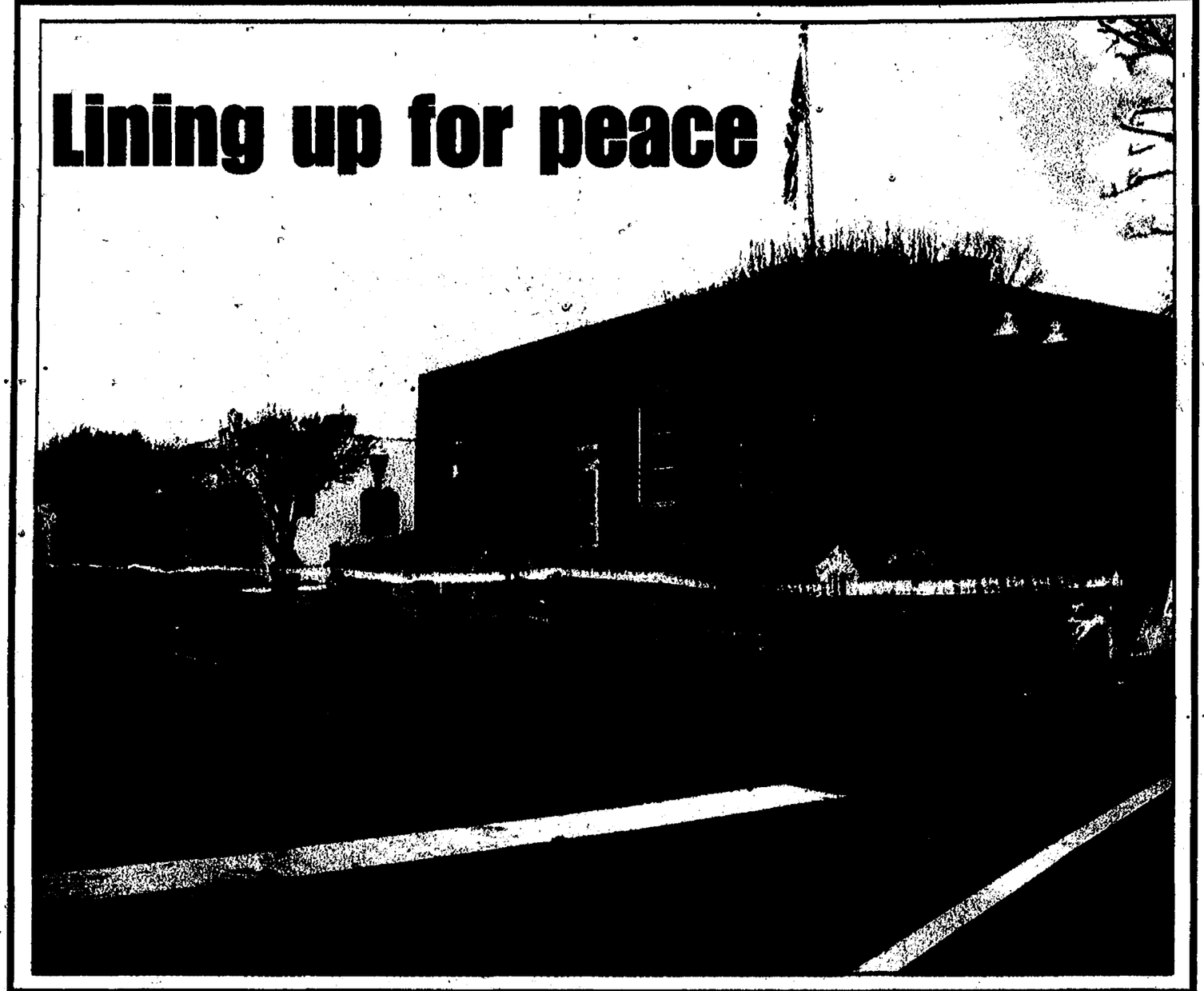
Loretta G. Ehnis
Dexter

Loretta G. Ehnis of Monroe, formerly of Dexter, died March 12, 2007 in Toledo. She was 89.

She was born Jan. 16, 1918 in Ann Arbor to the late Glen and Melvina Naylor. She then married Thurlow Ehnis Sept 9, 1935. He preceded her in death April 1970. Mrs. Ehnis was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church in Monroe and formerly a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter. She is survived by her children: Karl (Nancy) Ehnis of Whitmore Lake, Beverly (William) Bernard of Dexter, Barbara Haines of Irons Mich., Neil Ehnis of Dexter, Joann (Bruce) Weeks of Monroe, sisters: Verna (Fred) Covert of Hudson, Fla., Dorothy Wetherbee of Fowlerville, Brothers: William (Shirley) Naylor of Ary, Ky. and Charles (Nell) Naylor of Dexter, 10 grandchildren and 16 great gGrandchildren as well as several Nieces and Nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother Robert Naylor, sister Virginia McNutt and son-in-law L.D. Haines. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 17, 2007 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter with Father Brendan Walsh presiding.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church Building Fund or Monroe Public Schools Scholarship Fund (1275 N. Macomb St. Monroe, MI 48162).

Lining up for peace



News in Brief

WCC combines fun and education for Earth Day

What can the earth teach us? Learn the answer to this question as Washtenaw Community College celebrates its sixth annual Earth Day Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. April 19 on the first floor of the Student Center Building.

More than 30 local and national nature and environmental groups will be on hand to answer questions, pique interest, and educate the public on topics such as land conservation, recycling, and global warming with exhibits, free information and live animals to illustrate the various important issues.

The entire day will focus on environmental issues with representatives on hand from groups such as U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Sierra Club, The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, the Ann Arbor Transit Authority and many more. Hybrid cars from Ann Arbor Toyota and Howard Cooper will be available.

"We are sponsoring this festival so that our students and the rest of the community can learn from the many groups they hear so much about," said David Thomas, geology instructor at WCC. "This is a great place to meet people who share a concern and admiration for our natural resources."

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, call 734-973-3519.

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The Washtenaw County Road Commission was recently presented a 'CRAMmy Award' for outstanding public relations initiatives and creative communications efforts throughout 2006, during the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM) Annual Highway Conference that took place in Lansing on March 6-8, 2006. The CRAMmy Awards were designed to share successful communication and public relations techniques among the 83 county road commissions. Washtenaw County was one of four road commissions to receive this award; the other three counties were Kalamazoo, Mecosta and Monroe.

"The 'CRAMmys' recognize the importance of providing road-related information in unique and memorable ways," said John Niemela, CRAM's Director. "The CRAMmys acknowledge and encourage excellence and creativity among our member agencies."

The County Road Association of Michigan represents the 83 county road agencies that work to keep 90,040 miles of Michigan's roads safe and convenient. CRAM is also working to secure adequate resources for Michigan's transportation needs.

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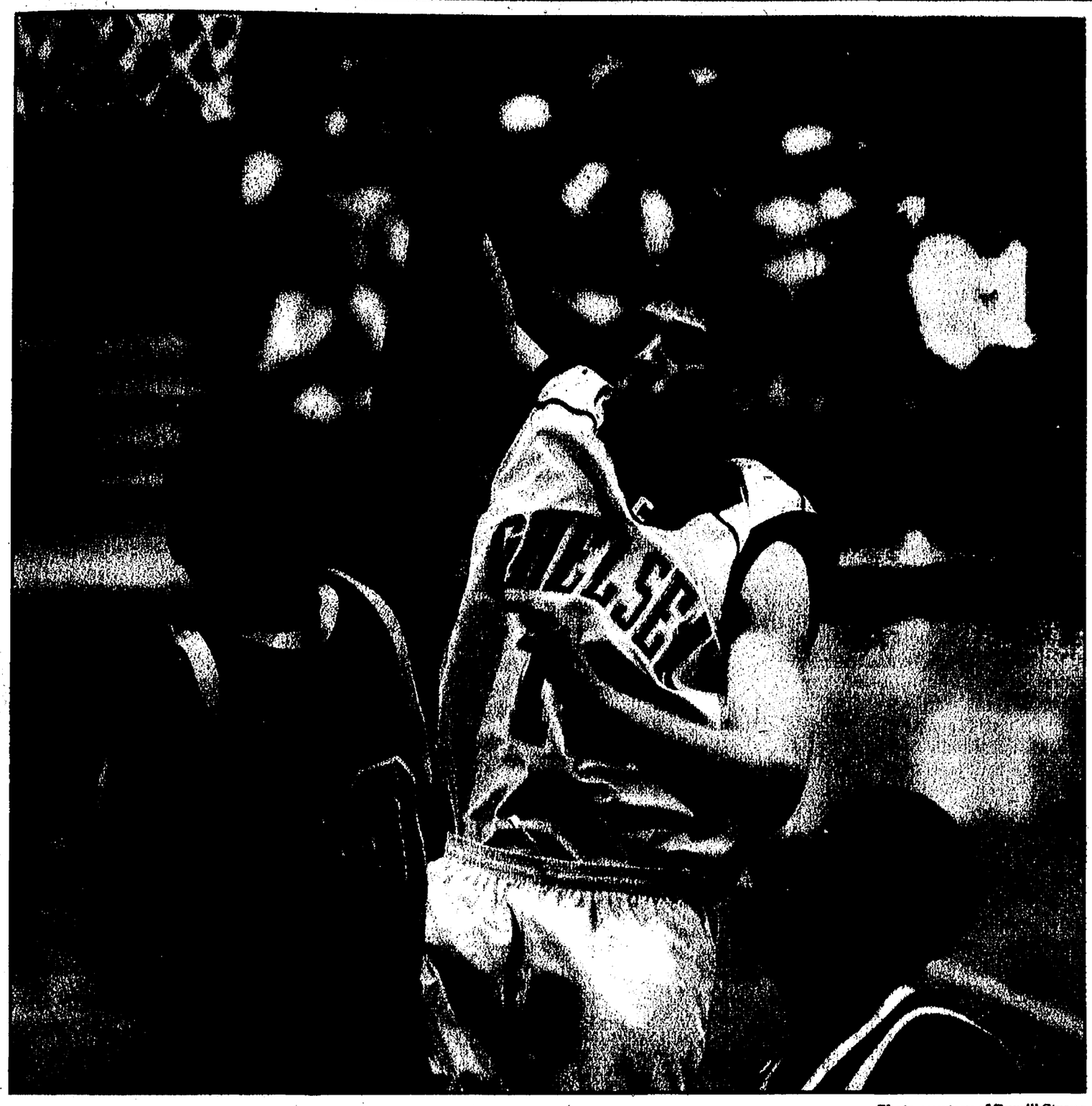

Photo courtesy of Burrill Strong

Chelsea senior forward Mike Sauers scored nine points in the Bulldogs' 53-39 Class B regional final loss to Detroit Southwestern last Friday. Chelsea concluded its season with a 23-2 overall record.

Basketball

Chelsea falls in regional final

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Detroit Southwestern used strong team defense and timely offense to defeat Chelsea 53-39 last Friday in a Class B state regional final at Milan.

The Prospectors (13-12) are a legendary Public School League program, winning three Class A state titles and finishing as runner-up seven times since 1970. Southwestern, under Perry Watson (now head coach at the University of Detroit-Jesuit), was state runner-up an unprecedented six consecutive years from 1982 through 1987.

The Prospector program has produced such NBA and college standouts as Jalen Rose, Antoine Joubert, Voshon Lenard, Howard Eisely, Anderson Hunt and Leslie Rockymore.

While Southwestern has seen quite a few lean years since the glory days of the 1980s and early '90s, the Prospectors appear to have turned the corner under coach Brian Arnold.

"Believe it or not, we've been hurt all year," Arnold said. "No. 23 (senior guard Lloyd Harrison) broke his thumb, No. 22 Keith Arnold missed eight games and my big kid (6-foot-8 junior Bruce Watson) missed five games with a scope on his knee. We just got healthy the game before districts.

"We all brought it together and they made a commitment to each other and this is the end result."

The end result was a regional championship over favored and No. 3 state-ranked Chelsea (23-2). The Bulldogs had an uncharacteristically poor shooting night, finishing the game 10-of-49 from the field for a season-low 20 percent. What made the outcome even more surprising was the Bulldogs shot a school record 54 percent from the floor during the regular season.

"We had open looks, layups, it didn't make a difference, the ball wasn't falling," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "The kids played their hearts out. They never gave up. We kept working to get good shots, but there was a lid on the basket.

"We tried different offensive sets, backdoor cuts, inside, nothing was falling. It was frustrating."

To begin the game, neither team came out shooting well. Almost three minutes elapsed before Harrison scored on a fast break lay-up giving Southwestern a 2-0 lead with 5:25 left in the first quarter.

Bulldog senior forward Mike Sauers tied the game at 2-2 with a lay-up one minute later.

For the rest of the quarter, it was all Prospectors as Southwestern outscored cold-shooting Chelsea 10-0.

In the second quarter, the Bulldogs continued their shooting woes falling behind 14-2.

At 4:48 of the second quarter, Chelsea junior center Dean Roberts scored on a put back basket cutting the Prospector lead to 14-4. The bucket was the Bulldogs' first in close to eight minutes.

Southwestern outscored Chelsea 9-5 the rest of the quarter, entering the half leading 23-9.

At 6:05 of the third quarter, Bulldog senior guard Adam Connell nailed a three-pointer, closing the gap to 27-14. The triple was Chelsea's first of the contest.

Despite playing aggressive and driving to the basket, the Bulldogs were unable to cut into the Southwestern lead. Heading into the fourth quarter, Chelsea trailed 43-22.

In the fourth frame, the Bulldogs rallied, scratching and clawing their way back into the game. With 55 seconds left, Connell hit his second three-pointer of the night trimming the Prospectors' lead to 49-37. It was as close as Chelsea would get, however. Southwestern secured its victory outscoring the Bulldogs 4-2 the rest of the way for the game's final margin.

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Bulldog senior guard Nate Schwarze tries to split Detroit Southwestern senior guard Lloyd Harrison (left) and junior center Bruce Watson during last Friday's Class B regional final at Milan. Schwarze led Chelsea with 11 points.

Senior guard Nate Schwarze led Chelsea with 11 points and five rebounds.

Sauers ended up with nine points, while Connell had eight points and Roberts five points. Senior forward Micah Hudson added four points, while senior forward Benny Johnson had two points for the Bulldogs.

Harrison led Southwestern with 18 points.

Despite the season-ending loss, Raymond was proud of his squad.

"It's not that we played poorly, we shot poorly," he said. "We worked hard, but couldn't buy a basket. It (loss) wasn't for lack of effort. We all thought we could get back in the game. But it's tough to make a run when the ball isn't falling."

To reach the final, Chelsea defeated Gibraltor Carlson 52-37 March 13 at Milan in a regional semifinal.

Hudson led the Bulldogs with 15 points, while Schwarze had 11 points.

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Chelsea's Schyler Williams was selected Division III first-team All-State and Bulldog MVP this past season. The senior forward led Chelsea with 28 goals and 22 assists for 50 points.

Hockey

Williams, Amburgey named All-State

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea seniors forward Schyler Williams and defenseman Travis Amburgey were each named first-team Division III All-State earlier this month.

With their selections, Williams and Amburgey bring the Bulldogs' number of first-team All-State players to an area-high six in the last four years.

Besides this year's twosome, former Chelsea icers chosen first-team All-State the past four years include Craig Irwin, Ryan Ford, Erik Cramer and Ryan Ruikka. Ruikka was not only named Division III first-team All-State, but was selected to the state's Dream Team last year.

"We've done very well in the last four years," said Chelsea coach Don Wright. "We've had a lot of success. I'm real proud of the guys."

This past season the Bulldogs finished 16-8-2 overall, losing in overtime to Dexter in the Division III state pre-regional final.

Chelsea this year was ranked in the state's top 10 for the fifth season in a row.

The Bulldogs cracked the state's top 10 despite playing one of the area's toughest schedules.

"Forty percent of our schedule was against top 10 teams (throughout all divisions)," Wright said. "Eighty-five percent of our games this season were against teams with a winning record."

Besides being named All-State, Williams was also selected Chelsea's MVP. The Bulldogs' all-time leading scorer, Williams finished his stellar career with 82 goals (first all-time) and 67 assists (second all-time) for 149 points (first all-time). His 149 career points shattered the old record by 24 points.

This season, Williams led Chelsea with 28 goals and 22 assists for 50 points. He had a plus/minus of plus-19. For his efforts he was named first-team All-Southeastern Conference.

"When he's on the ice, he's a force," Wright said of Williams. "Other teams had to deal with him. He's a force scoring and setting guys up. He has great speed and is a difference-maker."

Amburgey, also selected first-team All-SEC, was an offensive threat from the point this season for the Bulldogs finishing with 12 goals and 15 assists for 27 points. His 12 goals are the second-most for a defenseman in Chelsea hockey history.

Earning All-SEC honorable mention was Bulldog

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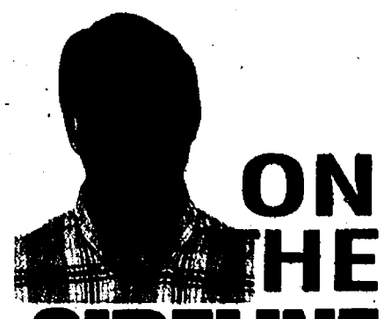
Bulldog Travis Amburgey was named Division III first-team All-State earlier this month. The senior defenseman finished with 12 goals and 15 assists for 27 points this year.

Winter season exciting



ON THE SIDELINE

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Okay, everybody exhale.

The winter sports season for Chelsea and Dexter is over. And what a season it turned out to be.

First off, the boys' basketball campaign for both Dexter and Chelsea was one to remember. The combined record for both clubs this year was an impressive 41-7. That's a lot of "W's" on Tuesday and Friday nights in and around these parts.

The two games between the county rivals this season were both edge-of-your-seat clashes.

In the first meeting Feb. 2 the host Bulldogs, who finished the year 23-2, topped the Dreadnaughts, who ended up 18-5, 58-53 despite a stirring Dexter rally at the end.

In the second game, and regular season finale, one month later, host Dexter returned the favor, defeating an unbeaten and No. 2 state-ranked Chelsea 59-57 in an overtime classic. In front of a jam-packed 2,400 spectators, Dreadnaught senior guard Johnny Benjamin drilled a three-pointer at the buzzer sending the game into the extra session. In overtime, Benjamin was again the hero, this time swishing a soft jumper in the lane as the horn sounded for the game-winner.

The Bulldogs, whose 23 wins were a school record, would go on to capture a Class B district title before falling in the regional finals to Detroit Southwestern. Dexter, on the other hand, ended its season losing in the Class A district final to Ann Arbor Pioneer.

In volleyball, Chelsea's Ann Kendzicky, a sweet-swinging 5-foot-11 senior outside hitter/middle blocker, was part of a select group this season as one of the state's Miss Volleyball candidates. Though not being crowned the state's best spiker, Kendzicky did sign a letter-of-intent to play volleyball next season for defending Division II national champion Grand Valley State University.

As a team, the Bulldogs won a Class B district championship before losing to Coldwater in a regional semi-final match.

Dexter senior middle blocker Camille Hanks (6-0) was named Dreadnaught MVP this past season after leading the squad in kills and blocks. Dexter reached the Class A district finals before falling to Ann Arbor Pioneer in a five-set marathon 16-25, 25-14, 25-18, 23-25, 9-15. The Dreads finished the year 34-21-4 overall.

In boys' swimming and diving, Dexter placed 24th in the Division II state meet at Oakland University. Dreadnaught senior Kirk Kumbier was the team's top finisher ending up sixth in the state in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:00.96. Though not cracking the state's top 10 this year, Dexter did claim its ninth straight Southeastern Conference White Division championship.

Chelsea tankers finished 32nd in the Division II state meet this past season. Individually, senior Jordan Skidmore placed 12th in the state in the 100 backstroke in 55.70. Senior Rick Kinsey was 15th in the 500 freestyle in 55.70, while senior Nick Armstrong was 20th in the 50 freestyle in 22.71 to lead the Bulldogs.

It was a banner season on the frozen pond for Dexter and Chelsea hockey this year, as well.

The Dreadnaughts set a school record for victories in a season, concluding the year with a 20-6-1 overall mark. Dexter captured the Southeastern Conference title with a perfect 7-0 record. The Dreads won a first-ever Division III state pre-regional crown defeating Chelsea 3-2 in overtime. Dexter ended its season losing to Dearborn Divine Child in the regional final. The Dreadnaughts had a school record six Division III All-State players, including first-team selections senior forwards Nick Field and Alex Johnston.

Chelsea had a strong year, too, playing one of the state's toughest schedules, yet still finishing the season 16-8-2 overall. The Bulldogs reached the Division III state pre-regional final before bowing out to Dexter in the overtime thriller. Chelsea seniors forward Schyler Williams, the Bulldogs' all-time leading scorer, and defenseman Travis Amburgey were both named first-team Division III All-State.

In bowling, Chelsea's Greg Van Orman reached the state individual finals before losing. The Bulldogs, once again, had a strong season as both the boys' and girls' teams were among the area's best.

In wrestling, Dexter junior Bret Marsh was crowned a state champion in the 112-pound weight class, defeating St. Johns sophomore Jake Walters 8-2 in the Division II final earlier this month at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Marsh, who was runner-up at 103 pounds last year, finished the season with a sterling 53-2 overall record.

Besides Marsh, other Dreadnaught grapplers reaching the state individual finals included freshman Ron Flowers (103 pounds), senior Michael Campbell (152) and junior Corey Chamberlain (heavyweight).

For Chelsea, freshman Dakota Cooley advanced to the Division II state meet finishing 1-2 at the finals in the 112-pound bracket. For the season, Cooley ended up 37-4.

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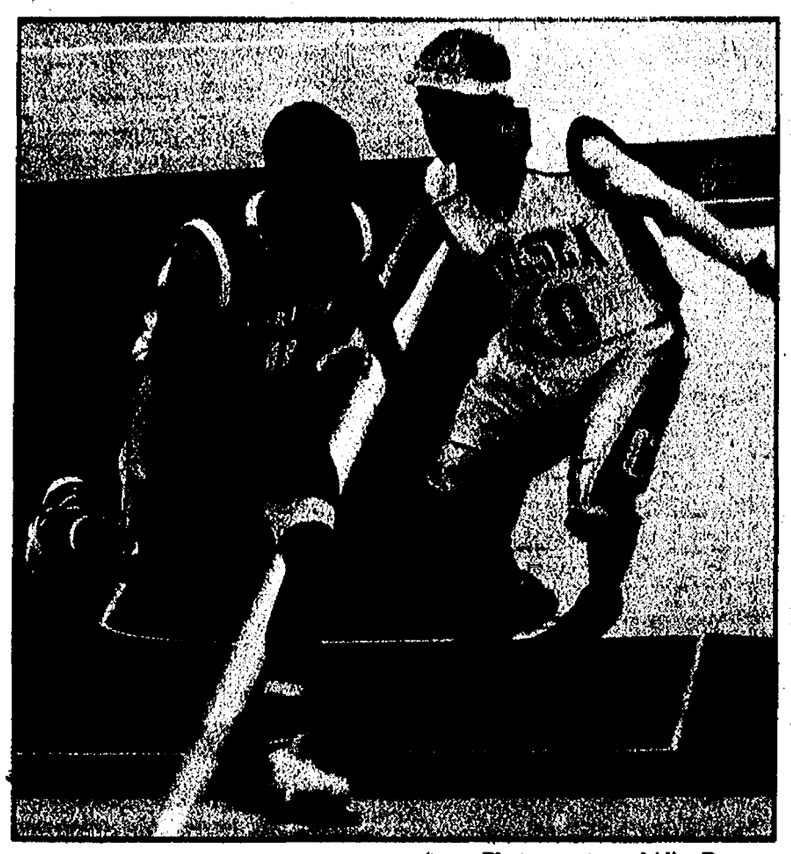

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Chelsea junior guard Elliot Marshall was part of a memorable winter sports season this year. Marshall helped lead the Bulldogs to a 23-2 overall record and a No. 2 Class B state-ranking. With rival Dexter's 18-5 overall mark, prep basketball in the area was at its best.

Chelsea Hoopsters

Chelsea's fifth-grade travel basketball team finished second at last month's Chelsea Tournament. Members of the squad include, front row, Josh Bach (left), Blake Salgat, Nat Busch, Michael Purdy and Bailey Weatherwax; middle row, Shon Kuhn (left), Aidan Fahle, Zach Fosdick, Luke Heumann and Scott Crews; back row, coach Chris Kuhn (left) and coach Sean Fosdick.

Volleyball

Beach ends year with win

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea's Beach Middle School seventh-grade Blue volleyball team concluded its season defeating visiting Saline Blue 25-17, 25-21, 15-25 March 13.

"The girls played the very best match of the season," said Chelsea coach Linda Turok. "I am very proud of them."

Megan Brockett and Jill Schmidt led the Bulldogs (5-5) with five service points each. Schmidt also had one ace. Lisa Keene and McKenna Jerant each added four service points, while Tessa Elwart and Jessica Craig each had three service points for Beach.

Alexis Romelhardt, Anna Friss and Morgan Gavorek each finished with two points, while Danielle Dahl, Nicole Schmelz, Lauren Lyons and Haleigh Zimmerman each had one service point for Chelsea.

Schmelz ended up with a team-high five assists, while Elwart had three assists and Katie Wollpert and Brockett each had two assists. Briana Carden, Jerant and Craig each added one assist.

On March 12, host Chelsea lost to Tecumseh 13-25, 20-25, 11-25.

Brockett paced Beach with 12 service points and one ace. Schmelz had five service points, while Craig had four service points and Carden three service points.

Keene ended up with two points, while Lyons, Gavorek and Elwart each had one point for the Bulldogs.

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senior defenseman Jake Vaughan, senior forward David Maveal and junior forward Kyle George.

Vaughan ended up with six goals and 23 assists for 29 points. His 23 assists were a school record for a defenseman.

Maveal was second on the squad in scoring with 20 goals and 20 assists for 40 points. George finished with 12 goals and 13 assists for 25 points.

Howdy Holmes earned the SEC Sportsmanship Award. The senior forward ended the season with five goals and 15 assists for 20 points.

Junior forward Matt Heinen had five goals and 11 assists for 16 points, while senior forward Michael Bazydlo had six goals and seven assists for 13 points.

Bazydlo was further honored as a member of the Academic All-State team. He also received Chelsea's Hobey Baker Character Award.

As a squad, the Bulldogs earned Academic All-State accolades. The honor was the fourth in the last five years for Chelsea.

"In the program's seven years, we've been selected Academic All-State five times," Wright said.

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Athletics

Court decides MHSAA fate

By Joe Slezak
The News-Herald

The fate of the state high school sports seasons lawsuit might be decided next week.

The U.S. Supreme Court's nine justices are scheduled to discuss the Michigan High School Athletic Association's appeal of a 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling at their weekly conference March 30.

There is a possibility that the case won't be discussed that day. If not, it'll be bumped to the next Friday's conference, a court clerk said.

On the Monday following the conference in which they discuss the case, the justices will reveal whether they'll hear it.

According to the Supreme Court, more than 8,000 requests are filed each term, and hearings are granted for about 100.

If they choose not to hear the case, Communities for Equity will win the lawsuit it filed in 1998. If the justices choose to hear it, it won't be until the 2007-08 term, which begins in October, the clerk said.

Communities for Equity, based in Grand Rapids, sued the East Lansing-based MHSAA, alleging that the association discriminates against girls because basketball is a fall sport and volleyball is a winter sport. It's the other way around at the collegiate level nationally and at the high-school level in 47 states.

The sides had previously agreed that if they weren't notified before June 1 if the Supreme Court would hear the case, the seasons for eight sports would remain the same for the 2007-08 school year. If the justices deny the MHSAA's writ of certiorari before then, the sports would change in 2007-08. The association has prepared two sets of tournament calendars for next school year.

The changes would be: statewide girls' basketball from fall to winter; statewide volleyball from winter to fall; Lower Peninsula boys' golf and girls' tennis from fall to spring; Lower Peninsula girls' golf and boys' tennis from spring to fall; Upper Peninsula boys' soccer from fall to spring; and U.P. girls' soccer from spring to fall.

The MHSAA filed the writ Jan. 29, Communities for Equity filed its response Feb. 28 and the MHSAA filed its reply Wednesday.

In August, three 6th Circuit judges ruled 2-1 that the MHSAA is violating the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution's 14th Amendment, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and Michigan's Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act. The dissenting judge said it only was a Title IX case.

There are 760 MHSAA member high schools in 2006-07.

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The U.S. Supreme Court will possibly decide later this month if the Michigan High School Athletic Association has to switch its sports seasons. If the switch occurs, volleyball players like Chelsea's Julie Kedroske (left) and Paige Denison would be playing their sport in the fall instead of the winter.

Athletics

MHSAA presents SCOPE Award

To help promote the proper perspective for educational athletics, the Michigan High School Athletic Association has teamed with AT&T to create an awards program which acknowledges the efforts of schools to maintain student-centered, educationally focused sports programs.

Four schools have been selected for the 2006-07 school year to receive the SCOPE Award, and will be presented $2,500 checks from AT&T to be used in the continued promotion of an educational attitude for their programs in ceremonies at halftime of the MHSAA Class D Boys Basketball Championship game at the Breslin Center in East Lansing on March 24.

Alpena, Richland Gull Lake, Grandville Calvin Christian and Caseville were selected as the inaugural recipients of the SCOPE Award in their respective classes (A-B-C-D).

All schools entering the program were required to submit an essay describing how they would use the $2,500 to further the promotion of a proper perspective for school sports; a series of essays from an athletic administrator, student, school faculty member and community member about how the school's perspective on educational athletics affects the school and community; and any materials the school has used to promote its perspective on athletics.

"The biggest challenge school sports faces in maintaining its different niche from all other levels of athletics by all other sponsors is maintaining a sane scope - realizing that these programs are here to educate students," said John E. "Jack" Roberts, executive director of the MHSAA. "Schools which promote the proper perspective will find success in all respects - including between the lines. We're proud of the schools which have been selected to receive this year's SCOPE Award."

AT&T is also the sponsor of the MHSAA's new Student Advisory Council, a 16-member group which provides feedback on issues impacting educational athletics from a student's perspective, and is also involved in the operation of Association championship events and other programming.

Dynamite Cagers

The DCA Dynamite U-13 girls' basketball team finished runner-up with a 4-1 record at the Midland Mania Tournament last month. Members of the club include, front row, Rachel Cooperrider (left) and Aubrey Gadbury; middle row, Emily Shrosbree (left), Hanna Fitzsimmons, Alex Liedel and Claire Myers; back row, coach Dan Cooperrider (left), Veronica Rutherford, Kelsey Heilman, Amber Stebelton and head coach Mike Fitzsimmons.

Wrestling

Chelsea competes in meet

The Chelsea Wrestling Club traveled to Brooklyn Columbia Central for their season-opening meet last Saturday.

The tournament featured teams from Dexter, Union City, Jackson Northwest, Jackson Lumen Christi, Stockbridge, Manchester and Napoleon.

Leading Chelsea on the day were first-place finishers Mason Bailey, Mikal Nelson and Quinton Clark.

Placing second for the local club were Trevor Noles, Dan Wisniewski, Jacob Gaken, Ryan Eisley and Nate Bergman.

Other top performers for Chelsea included Zach Bennett, Joshua Dosey, Matthew Kimball, Tristan Koch, Scott Moore, Ty Nelson, Jacob Pennington, Ryan Pennington, Shaierra Salyer-Back and Kolton Savery.

Also wrestling well for Chelsea were Will Stubbs, Russell Timmerman, Mason Trinkle, Dominic Triveline and Matthew Van Buren.

The Chelsea Wrestling Club is sponsored by the Chelsea Recreation Department.

The club is coached by John Eisley and Bruce Bennett.

The club currently has 25 members in kindergarten through eighth-grade.

Chelsea next travels to Jackson Northwest for a meet Saturday.

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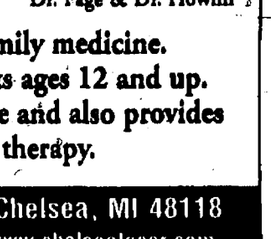

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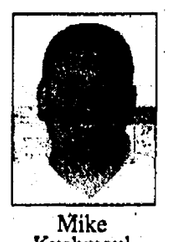

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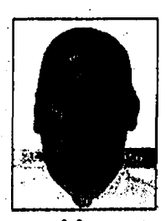

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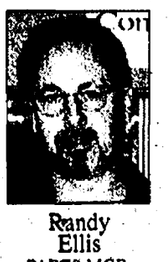

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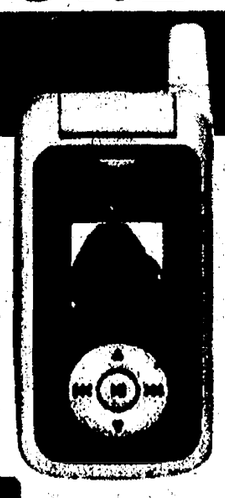

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By Randy Step
Guest Writer

Why is it so hard to get out the door for a run? It's because day-to-day life is an almost inescapable trap. A huge effort is needed to get out from under work, cleaning, television, and the rest of the sludge that is daily existence. Throw in bad weather, sickness, pain and injury, and it gets even trickier.

I have been running an average of five days a week for about 25 years. I am often asked, "How do you find the time or motivation to do it?" Here are a few of the tricks that I use.

Keep a log. This can be the most important weapon in athletic arsenal. Simple numbers in a log can be tremendous motivation. Consider this scenario: You've promised yourself you would get in a run sometime today, but family situations kept getting in your way. It is a dark, rainy Sunday night. When you finally get a chance to go out for your run, you're tired, and the depressing weather has you thinking about the couch. Getting out the door will not be easy. But with a running log to show you that you've run at least 4 days each week for the past 9 weeks, it's hard not to be pulled into action to make it an even 10 weeks.

Lie to yourself. On the days that the numbers in the log don't stir your soul, it's time to lie to your body. Promise it that you just want to go out for a 10-minute jog, and that if it still wants to go home and lie on the couch after 10 minutes, you'll let it. Once you have gone through the trouble of getting on the running gear and are heading up the street, 10 minutes will pass quickly and your energy level will rise. After the run, you'll be saying to yourself, "I feel great. I'm sure glad I got out the door."

It's strange how many times I have gone through this scenario. I just can't seem to remember how great I feel once I've run until I am actually running. As soon as you can trick yourself out the door, the run is licked.

Visit a running store. This suggestion might sound like a sales pitch but.... Seriously though, stop by a running store at least once a month to pick up a new running magazine or book, or some race applications. It helps to visit an environment that supports your effort. The running shop folks live to run, and they're happy to hear about your training, answer your questions, and give you suggestions. Need sympathy? That's where you'll get it.

Get out and run!

Randy Step is the president and owner of Running Fit. For more information log onto www.runningfit.net or call 1-734-929-9027.

Getting motivated

By Bradley C. Barr
Guest Writer

Well, April is fast approaching. By now, the New Year resolution you made to yourself to get up, get moving and get into shape is a thing of the past, or is it?

We all have great ambition at midnight on the 31st to start getting fit, but few of us rarely follow through.

Why?

Because we want the results but don't want all the hard work it takes to achieve it. So for the first edition of Anytime Fitness Trainer Talk, we need to focus on motivation. There is no better way to get in shape then proper motivation.

Start by calling a buddy or spouse and asking them to go for a walk with you, or better yet see if they want to go to the gym and check out the equipment. Maybe you just want to go alone and make new friends, either way...get up and get moving.

Everyday we have to make time for work, lunch, errands, paying the bills, etc. Well, from now on, you have to make a spot in your day to work out. After a short time, it will become as normal in your daily routine as brushing your teeth and a lot more fun!

If you have not exercised in a long time I encourage you to see your primary care physician first and have them help you establish an activity level, then come see me at Anytime Fitness and let's set some goals that are attainable and get you feeling and looking the way you promised yourself you would at midnight!

See you round the gym

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Tom Battistone works out at Anytime Fitness in Chelsea.

Training Tips

Dealing with jammed fingers

By the Athletic Trainers at Chelsea Community Hospital

Athletes with finger sprains or "jammed fingers" often frequent training rooms. Majority of the injuries occur in ball handling and contact sports, such as basketball and football. Jammed fingers are injuries to the ligaments and soft tissue in and around the small joint of a finger and can be extremely painful. This type of injury requires immediate treatment

What are the causes? This injury can occur from an end-on force. Basically when your finger hits something or when it is jammed on to something, such as a ball.

What are the symptoms? Most common symptoms are: pain, swelling, limited range of motion, redness around finger joint.

What are the treatments? You will want to contact your athletic trainer, who will evaluate and treat and if needed refer to a physician to further evaluation. Adhere to these steps to continue healing:

Apply ice for 20 minutes each hour for the first two days.

Wear a splint or buddy tape fingers for as long as the doctor or trainer recommends. (Tip: when taping always tape the injured finger to a longer/greater finger).

There is a common belief that if the athlete were to pull on the injured finger after it is "jammed" it would "un-jam" the finger. This is false. The finger is not jammed in making it shorter. The ligaments and soft tissue within the joint is what is injured. So pulling on your finger will only hurt more.

Your finger should start to feel better after taking these recommended steps. However, here are some symptoms of warning signs if your finger is not healing correctly.

Pain and swelling becomes worse.

Finger becomes more red and swollen.

Finger feels numb, cold or tingly.

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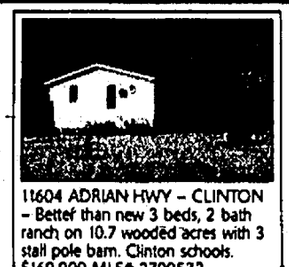

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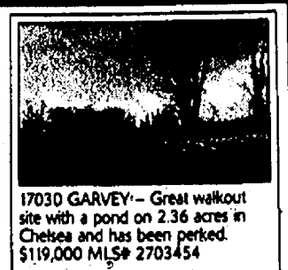

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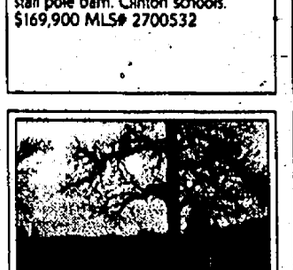

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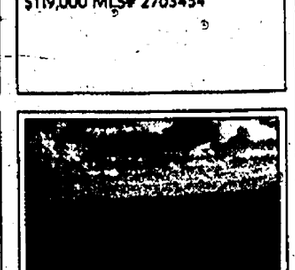

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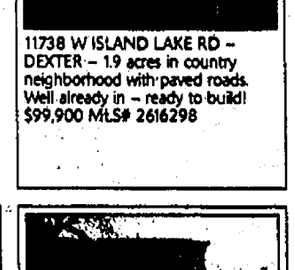

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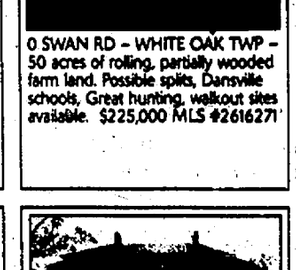

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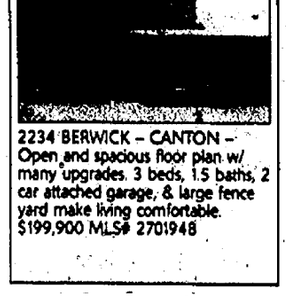

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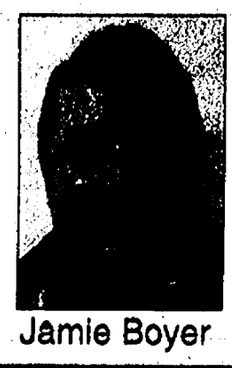

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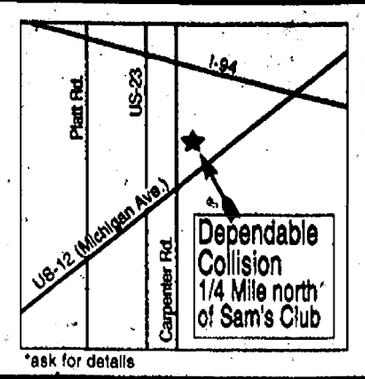

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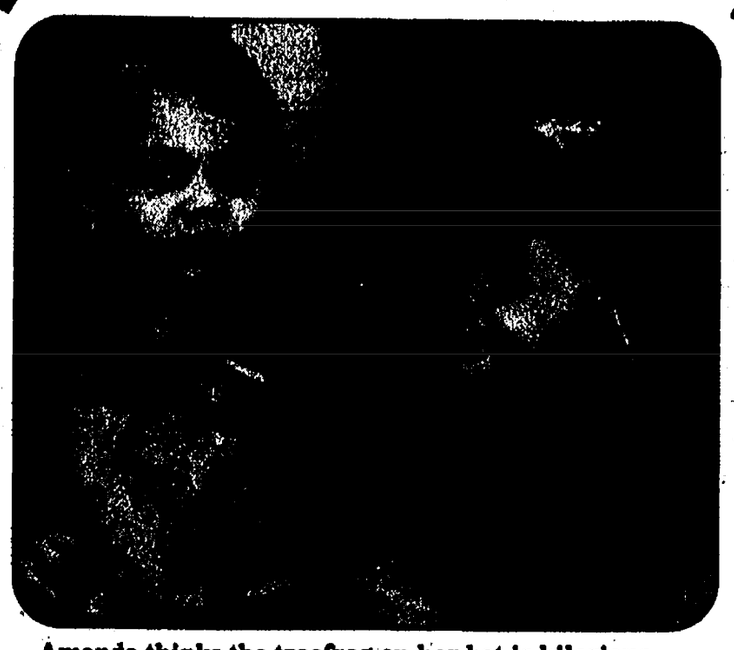
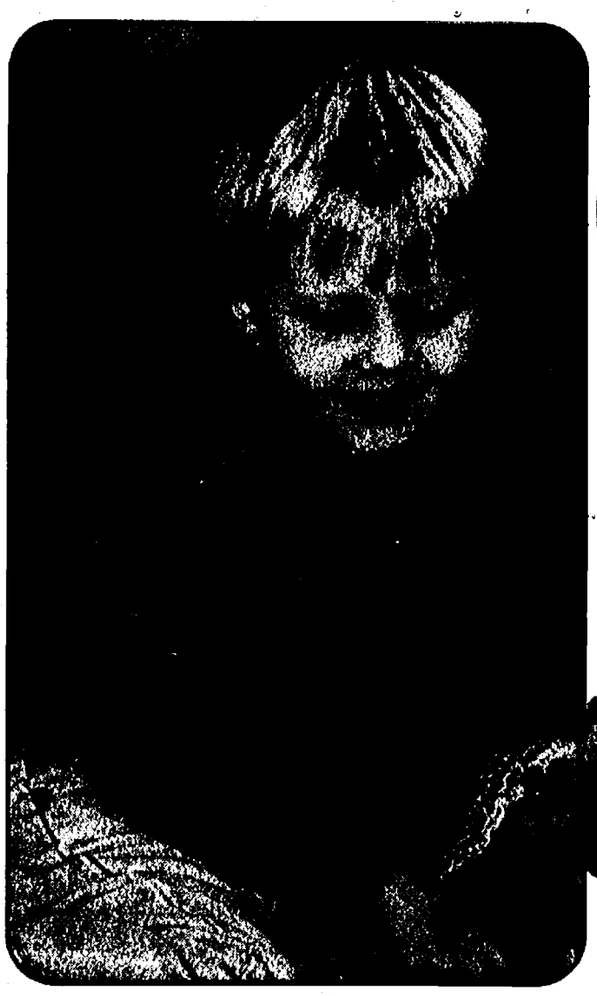


Amanda thinks the treefrog on her hat is hilarious.

Olivia isn't afraid of Oreo, the mouse.

Brother and sister, Zachary and Amanda take turns sharing Oreo, the mouse.



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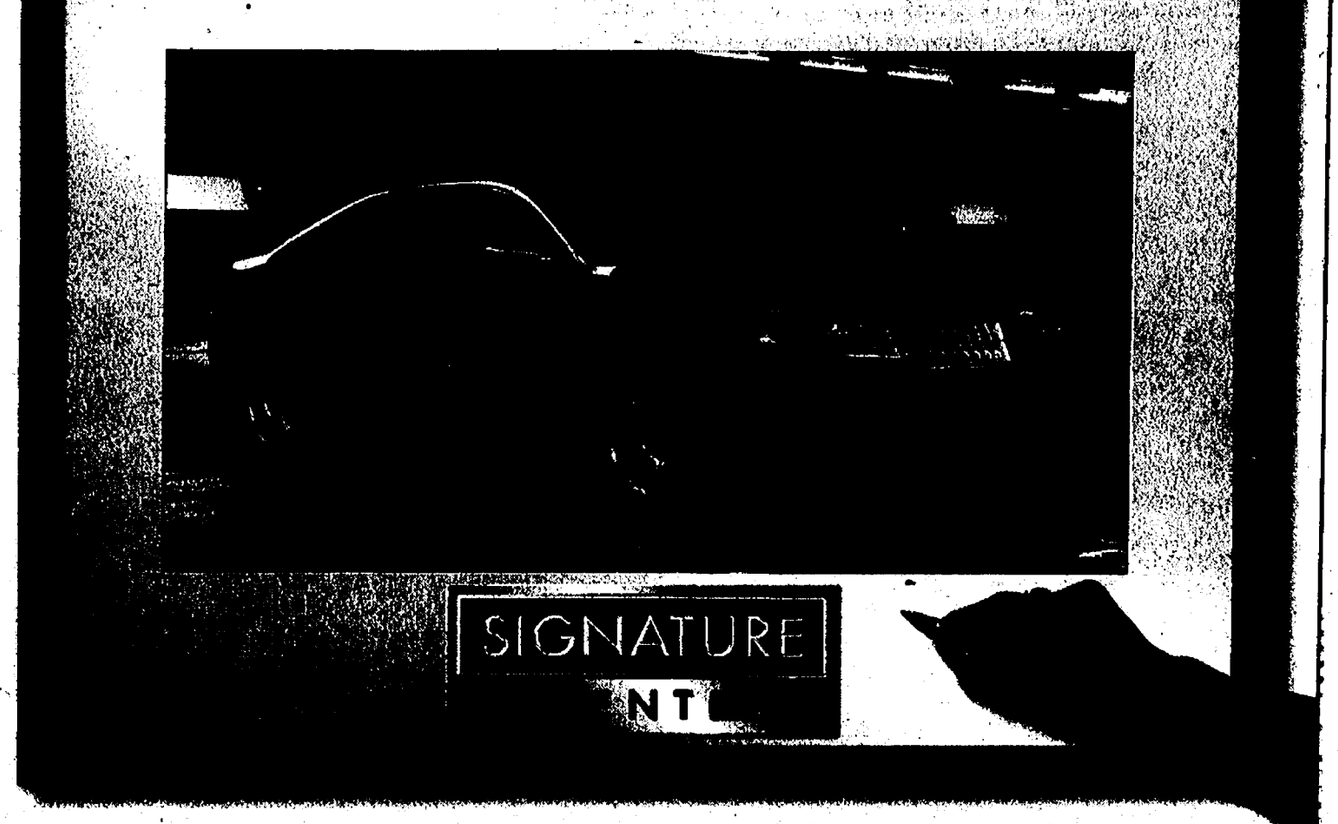

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The Arts

Like Water Drum and Dance group featured at Ann Arbor Film Festival

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

The music of Like Water Drum and Dance simply draws you in. The Chelsea-based group has a passion for music and dance like few others. And now you can catch that passion on film.

Chelsea's Ryan Edwards and his performance group are featured in a film titled "Illymanya," and it's the story of Guinea Music. The word in the Su Su language means patience.

Edwards has been a drummer since he was 10-years-old and the art of drum and dance that he shares captured him while in a subway in France.

"I loved music from when I was young," Edwards said. "I loved being in a band and since I first heard West African music in the subways of France at 15, I dedicated myself to the music and the culture."

Edwards and his band are so passionate about the Guinea way of life that they opened a drum and dance school up on a mountaintop in Guinea, where he can drink water from a spring, fresh fruit abounds and he can re-visit his teacher that taught him what he has learned.

The movie is a step along the way for Edwards and his band to connect Chelsea and Ann Arbor to a world far away.

INSIDE

For more on the Ann Arbor Film Festival, see Page 8-C.

"I had to look hard at myself and come out of my comfort zone and get pushed - traveling has done that," Edwards said.

In the film Edwards speaks and translates the language and relates to the camera what he thinks.

"Illymanya" is a story of a group of Americans whose lives have been touched by the music and culture of Guinea West Africa. Edwards is the director of a performance troupe called "Like Water Drum and Dance," who travel throughout the Midwest performing and educating people on Guinea music and culture.

The film will be featured in this week's Ann Arbor Film Festival. More than 2,000 films were sent in and "Illymanya" was about one of the 100 to be shown this week in Ann Arbor.

Edwards' dream of sharing the rich culture and the music his Guinea teachers have taught him has come true with the film.

"Our community is connected beyond county and state," he said. "I want people to make the connection between how important it is and how special it is."

The movie will play at 5:30 p.m. on March 23 at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor.

The movie is a rare look at Africa; a place of rhythm, passion, and beauty. Guinea, West Africa is one of the poorest nations in the world and they struggle against poverty for their survival every day. The music that comes from this place is the music of struggle, music that comes from a passion for life. It manifests itself in an ancient tradition of rhythm and dance that has been passed down like a benediction, from the grandparents of previous generations.

Milla Sylla, who mentored Edwards, lives with his people in Guinea, feeding and housing the 30 musicians that are part of his troupe. Milla, along with a core group of his family and close friends who are literal virtuosos of their chosen crafts, has been aiding Edwards efforts to embrace his culture and his music.

"Illymanya" is their story. The story of a group of Americans who have devoted much of their lives to studying and engaging with a culture of struggle, and the changes it brings about in them.

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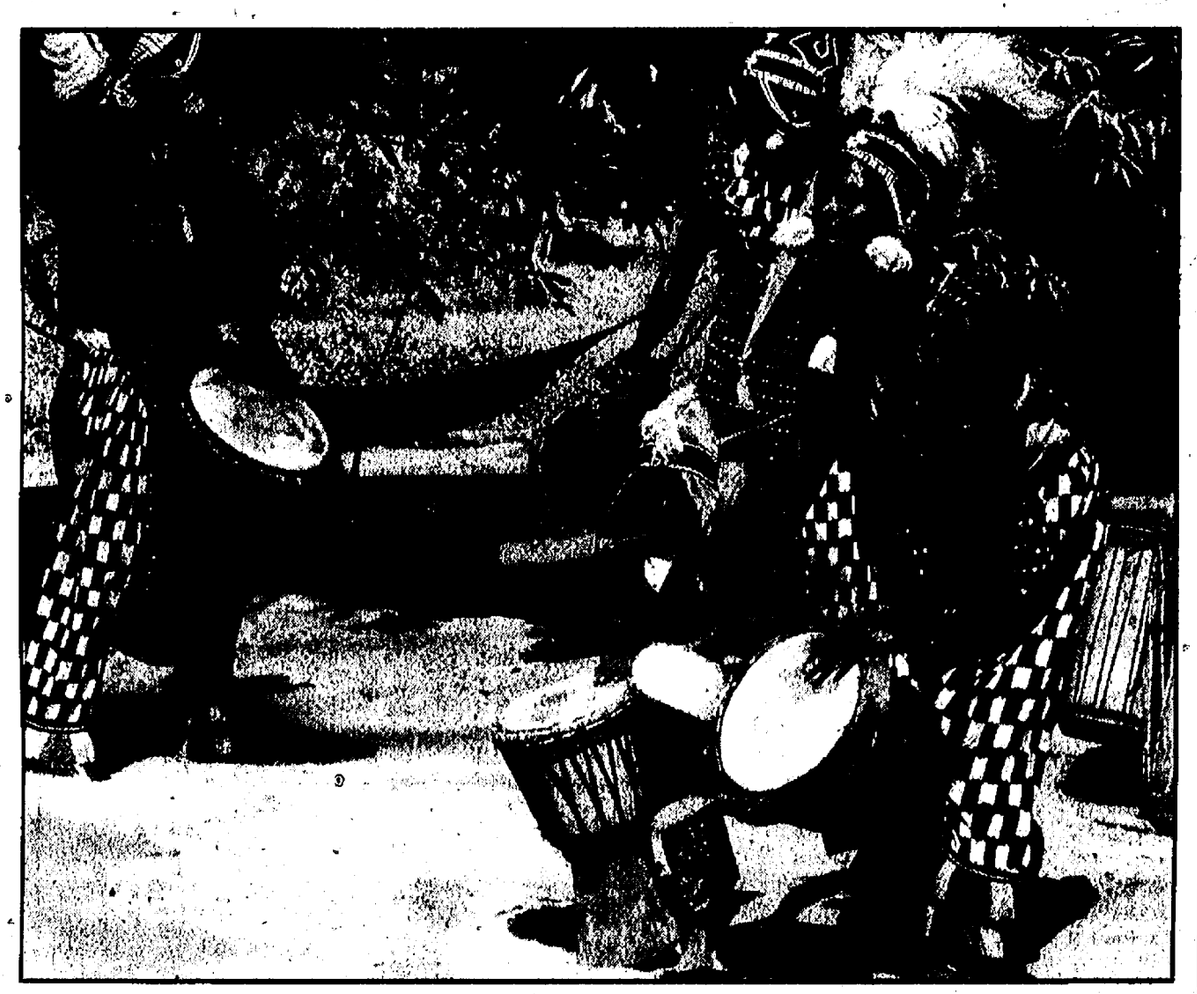

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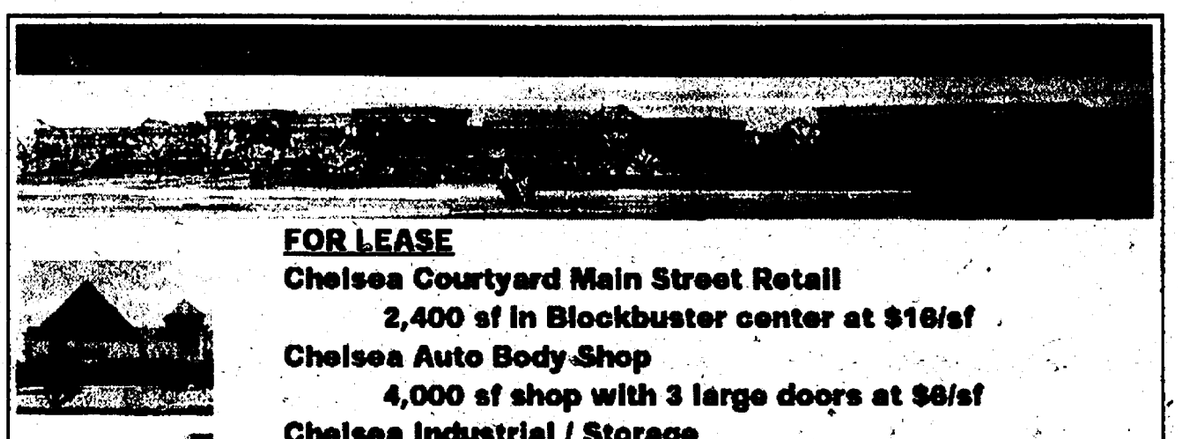

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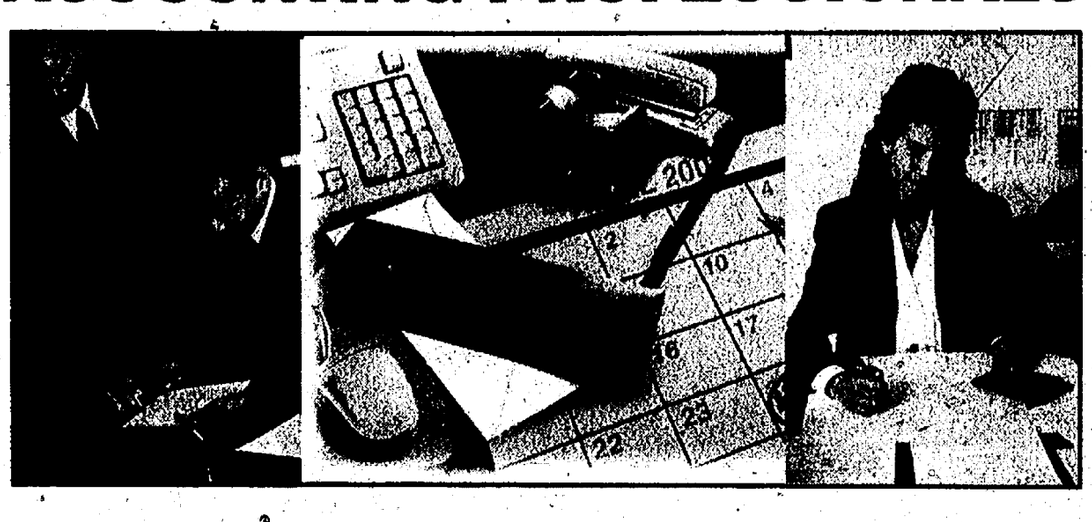

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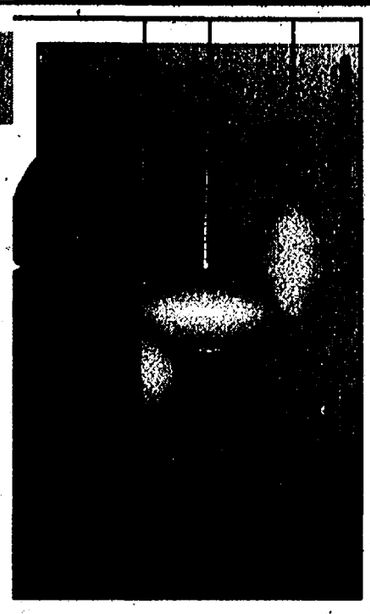

All we've been hearing about lately is the doom and gloom of the housing market. Since the number of homes for sale has increased, and the number of buyers has decreased, how do you compete and have the best chance of selling your house quickly? A few simple design strategies can make the difference between a quick sale and a long term listing!

Many people have trouble visualizing so make it easy for them

You want people to be able to imagine themselves living in your house so minimize the personal items that are visible. The room will look more spacious by reducing the knick knacks, toss pillows and putting miscellaneous items out of site. Absolutely no refrigerator magnets allowed! I recently tried this in my own bathroom. I have a small bath with clawfoot tub and pedestal sink; loaded with charm but covered with clutter. Removing the non-essential items made the room seem more spacious and feel more pleasing. Even if you're not moving, it's an effective technique to try.

Tip-top look

Repair all the little items that you haven't gotten around to fixing. The squeaky hinge, the dripping faucet, the missing piece of molding and the burned out light bulb. If you need to be a handyman to handle living in your house, many people will just look elsewhere.

Organize

An organized home is more appealing. If your closets are overflowing, clean them out and donate or box up the items. "PODS" are a newer option for temporarily storing your belongings while the house is on the market. Closets are big selling features and people will look in them. You want them to look neat and roomy. A rule of thumb is to have closets no more than two-thirds full.

Update

Styles change quickly and can make your house look dated. For example, brass fixtures today look distinctly 90s. Changing cabinet hardware, light fixtures and door knobs to the more current satin nickel or bronze can be fairly inexpensive. Being consistent is also important. White floor tile, beige shower tile, a brass faucet and a chrome shower door makes for visual mishmash.

Appeal to the masses

Making your home appeal to as many home buyers as possible will increase your odds of selling. This doesn't mean you have to paint everything beige. What it does mean is that the potential buyer of your house, doesn't want to spend big bucks replacing big ticket items. It's a good idea to keep more permanent items neutral (such as bath fixtures, floor covering and cabinetry). Color can safely be achieved with accessories. These will add interest and personality but not scare off the buyer!

For more tips and ideas, consult Home Staging: Creating Buyer-Friendly rooms to sell your house by Lori Matzke or contact your local interior designer for advice.

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HER fitness

Maintaining a healthy lifestyle through well-balanced eating and exercise is a priority for many women. However, many start a fitness routine without learning the proper techniques and without the right apparel. This can lead to discomfort, injury, and the end result may deter you from keeping up with your fitness goals. In addition to heeding safety precautions from your doctor and fitness professionals, you should also choose the right athletic attire.

"Outdoor enthusiasts are starting to consider performance apparel more and more as technical equipment that can provide comfort and support," says John L.A. Wilson, executive vice president for Wacoal Sports Science Corp. "Consumers are demanding increasingly more from performance apparel, which rather than being just another layer of fabric, can actually provide support to the musculoskeletal structure of the human body."

To meet the needs of active adults, here are some tips for your athletic wardrobe, courtesy of Wacoal's CW-X Conditioning Wear for women.

Choose fabrics that work as hard as you: From pants to shorts to socks, there are a variety of materials used to maintain your comfort level. Materials that are spandex-based will stretch and provide maximum flexibility. However, also look for materials that will help you stay cool and wick away sweat while you exercise.

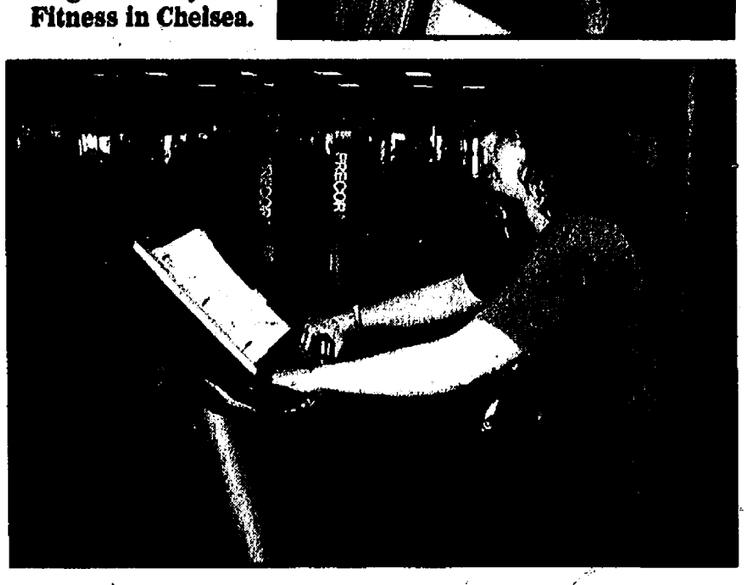
New innovations in fabric blends can provide durability, flexibility and comfort. Most noticeably, clothing manufacturers are treating fabrics during the weaving process to make them both antibacterial and antimicrobial. Technologies like integrating carbon barriers and weaving silver filaments in fabrics prevents microbes and bacteria in perspiration from binding to fabric, which can cause the musty odor typically commonplace after a workout.

Look for fabrics that are made from polyester. This material dries five times faster than cotton, which means it'll stay dry and cool next to your skin - something you definitely want during workouts.

Women need special support: Clothing manufacturers are continually coming out with new technological innovations to support the body and maximize workouts with minimal strain and injury. For example, compression tights are constructed to keep muscles and ligaments in place to stabilize joints during workouts, thus reducing strain and injury. Apart from the legs and midsection, women also require added breast support during exercise and sporting activities in the way of a quality sports bra.

Metro Creative

Dexter's Laura Pasicznyk rides the bike while doing a little reading. Chelsea's Jennifer Sinibaldi works with weights at Anytime Fitness in Chelsea.



HER wardrobe

Spring is finally here, and for most of us, it means spring cleaning. Sooner or later in the process, you will have to confront something most of us dread: the closet. As painful as the process may be, it is the perfect time for you to analyze what you have in your wardrobe and assess what you need to carry you through the summer with style.

As you sort through your closet and drawers, check the condition of what you have before you pack away your winter wardrobe. Look for signs of wear at the hem, cuffs and collar of shirts. If they are worn or frayed, it is time to replace them. Check sweaters and other knitwear for stretching and pilling. It is tempting to keep things beyond their time thinking that you may wear it again someday, or that no one will really notice that the sweater is a bit baggy or lumpy. Think again. If you can see it is in poor condition, so can everyone else. If you haven't worn it for a year, it is time to pitch it and move on.

As you unpack your spring and summer wardrobe, look for the same signs of wear. Spring and summer apparel tends to be constructed of fabrics that are light in weight, so they tend to wear out quickly. Again, check sweaters, tees and other items made of knitted fabrics for stretching and loss of shape. Check the side seams on tees, polos and other shirts to be sure that they haven't twisted or shrunk. Try things on and make sure they still fit. Does the bottom of your favorite tee still cover the top of your jeans? If the answer is no, pitch it.

Once you've culled the damaged and worn out items from your wardrobe, it is time to assess what is left. Stack or hang like things together; it is easier to see what you need and what you don't need. Try putting together outfits from what you have left and note any essential pieces you may be missing.

Don't forget to weed out your shoes and other accessories. Check shoes for scuffing on the toes and damage to the heels. Handbags should be scuff free as well. If you look at your shoes and hope no one will notice the damage, they probably will. It is time to throw them out and replace them.

Cleaning your closet may seem like a daunting task, but it will be well worth it. Don't be afraid to throw things out – emotional attachment shouldn't force you to hang onto clothing that is past its prime. Keep the classics, pitch the clutter. Remember: If in doubt, throw it out!

Ruth Mayday is the owner of the Pink Turtle in Chelsea.

nutrition

by Paula Herzog

Wanted: The Sunshine Vitamin

Among all the great things the sun gives us, it provides the most profound way to improve our skeletal strength. Our bones love the sun! The sun hits our face or hands and turns some cholesterol under our skin into a vitamin D derivative that make calcium flow from our GI tract into our blood and go straight to our bones. Did you know that without vitamin D the calcium stays in the gut never getting to the bones?

Until the 1930's soft mis-shapen bones were a leading health problem in the US. This was the disease Rickets in children and Osteomalacia in adults. Ask your grandparents if they had to take cod liver oil when they were young.

I remember my dad talking about how when he was a young child he had to take spoonfuls of cod liver oil to get vitamin D and prevent the rickets that some of his school friends had. Milk and margarine were fortified with vitamin D in the mid 1930's. Now our diet supplies some vitamin D in dairy foods, fishes, and eggs but not enough for optimal bone growth and maintenance. Milk has been fortified with vitamin D since the mind 1930's. This fortification is helpful but look at these food volumes you would still have to consume to get the recommended 700 IU per day:

1.5 pounds tofu
20 oz. of calcium and vitamin D fortified orange juice
20 sardines
4 yogurt cups (typical 6 oz.)
24 oz. of milk
5 cups of ice cream
...or 5-10 minutes in the SUNSHINE every day.

Yes, even in the tail end of winter when you may need an extra shove to get outside, it is so good for you. In 5-10 minutes outside you could shovel the walk, stroll up the block with the dog, park farther from your work or grocery store and let the sun hit your face. Beware: sunblock does just that, it blocks the sunlight's effect on your skin. Do not wear any sunblock for these 5-10 minutes. Sunblock is important if you are out in direct sunlight for over 15 minutes, but not for these little outings. SO, the sunny days are ahead but in the meantime get out anyway and you'll get your Sunshine Vitamin!

Paula Herzog, RD, owns The Great Plate Family Nutrition Services and can be reached at PaulaSherz@yahoo.com. Questions are welcome!

Connections

The National Association of Career Women presents the second annual Women Making Connections. Last year more than 200 women showed up for this free event offering massages, cooking demonstrations, displays from many other women's associations, presenters, beverages, exotic snacks and more. The program runs from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. April 24 at Kerry Town Market and Shops, 415 N. Fifth Ave in Ann Arbor. For reservations or more information, call 734-662-5008

Documentary films

Cranesbill Books will have a film screening once a month with documentary films predominating, with a discussion to follow. The Friday Film Series is co-sponsored by the store, the Chelsea Film Society and the Tamarack Greens. The first one is scheduled for Friday, March 24. Cranesbill Books is located at 108 E. Middle, Chelsea.

Book signing

Amy Kuenzel Valencia Jelks, who moved to Chelsea in 1981 and graduated from Chelsea High School in 1987, covers both the pain and the joy in her life in her new book "Amy Ever After," which is a collection of her poems. Her first book reading will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Cranesbill Book Store on Main Street in Chelsea.

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A2 HAPPENINGS

...NOW PLAYING...

The Ann Arbor Film Festival

North America's premiere showcase of boundary-busting, mind-bending, and provocative independent film began Tuesday with a special Opening Night.

The 45th annual Ann Arbor Film Festival is starting with some of the strongest in competition shorts, a tribute to the beloved and late Helen Hill, plus a big-time announcement.

Filmmakers and film lovers are flying in from around the country and beyond for six days of some rare events, dazzling programs, rousing panels and discovery of the unexpected, which is part of the Ann Arbor Film Festival adventure. And with a party every night there will be plenty of adventure to go around.

Prominent highlights include legendary Japanese auteur Toshio Matsumoto's exclusive North American appearance and screening of his 1969 experimental feature film "Funeral Parade of Roses," a notable influence on Stanley Kubrick's "A Clockwork Orange." The San Francisco Cinematheque is co-presenting "Geography of the Body," featuring 16mm films by George Kuchar, Greta Snider, Barbara Hammer, Willard Mass, James Broughton, Bruce Connor and many others.

Be there to see if sparks fly during a four-projector performance by Bruce McClure, discover the emotional beauty of the Robert Todd Retrospective, and dive headfirst into mortality with Ken Jacobs' new feature-film, "Two Wrenching Departures."

The two midnight screenings of Alejandro Jodorowsky's description-defying films include a 40th anniversary remastered print of cult classic "El Topo" and "The Holy Mountain."

And if there's ever going to be a scintillating panel discussion, it's going to be at "Hot and Bothered" at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday. Moderated by Chris Gore, the outspoken founder of Film Threat, heavy-hitters in the art and film world (Elaine King, Eddie Schmidt and Matthew Bernstein) weigh in on censorship and public funding of the arts. That night you can even see the shockingly unpornographic films that were cited as pornographic by the State of Michigan when they revoked their funding of AAFF.

This year's festival is being dedicated to beloved filmmaker Helen Hill, whose murder in her New Orleans home in January 2007 left her family, friends and the film world stunned at tragic, senseless loss. Hill served as a Juror for the 42nd AAFF and screened several of her playful, inspiring and beautiful films with Ann Arbor over the years. You can read our full statement about Helen Hill at www.aafilmfest.org.

The Ann Arbor Film Festival showcases independent and experimental film and video. Established in 1963, this internationally-renowned festival is the oldest of its kind in North America. Each year the festival attracts entries from moving image artists worldwide and screens more than 100 films before audiences during six days in March.

The festival's mission is to provide a worldwide public forum for moving image exhibitions, to encourage and showcase artists of the moving image, to promote the moving image as art, and to offer educational outreach.

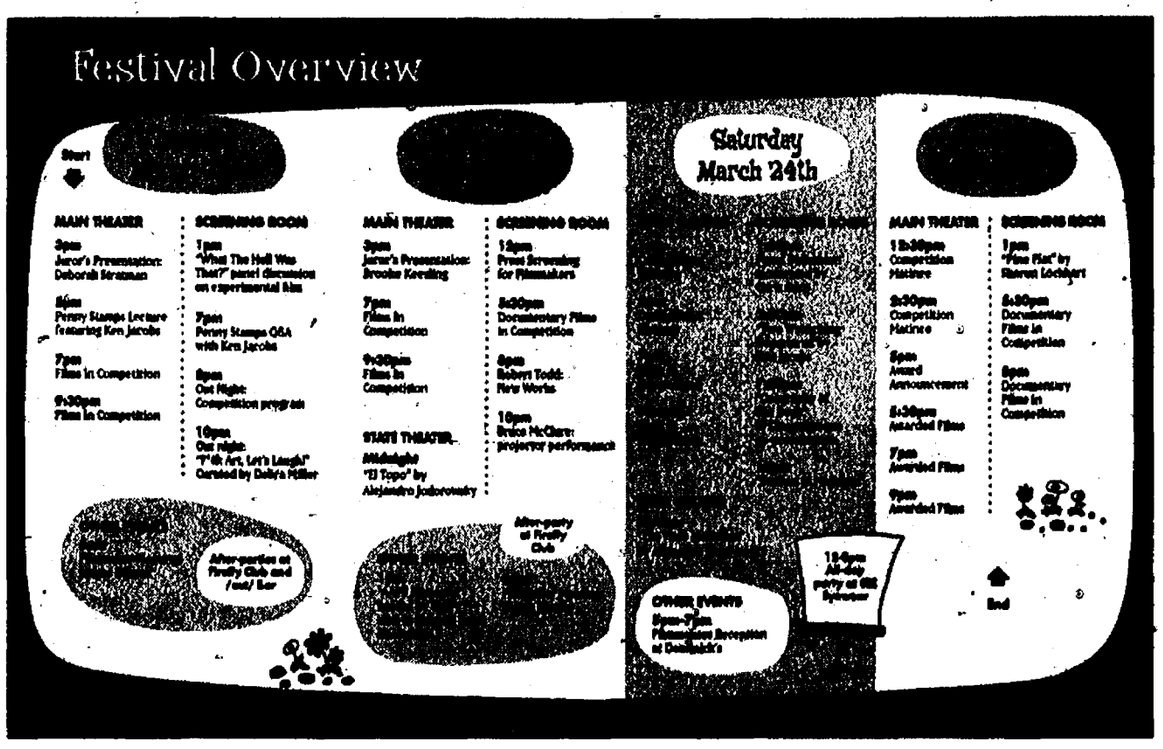
For more information, log onto www.aafilmfest.org or call 1-734-995-5356.

TICKETS

Want to treat yourself to the full festival experience? Get your full festival or weekend pass now online at: www.ticketweb.com.

With a festival pass you get full access to all screenings and events throughout the duration of the festival. The weekend pass covers Saturday and Sunday, which includes screenings of awarded films, San Francisco Cinematheque Co-Presentation and the rare Jodorowsky midnight movies. Tickets for individual screenings also are available online and will be sold the day of the festival.

Ticket prices include $90 for a festival pass, $45 for a weekend pass and $9 for regular admission.



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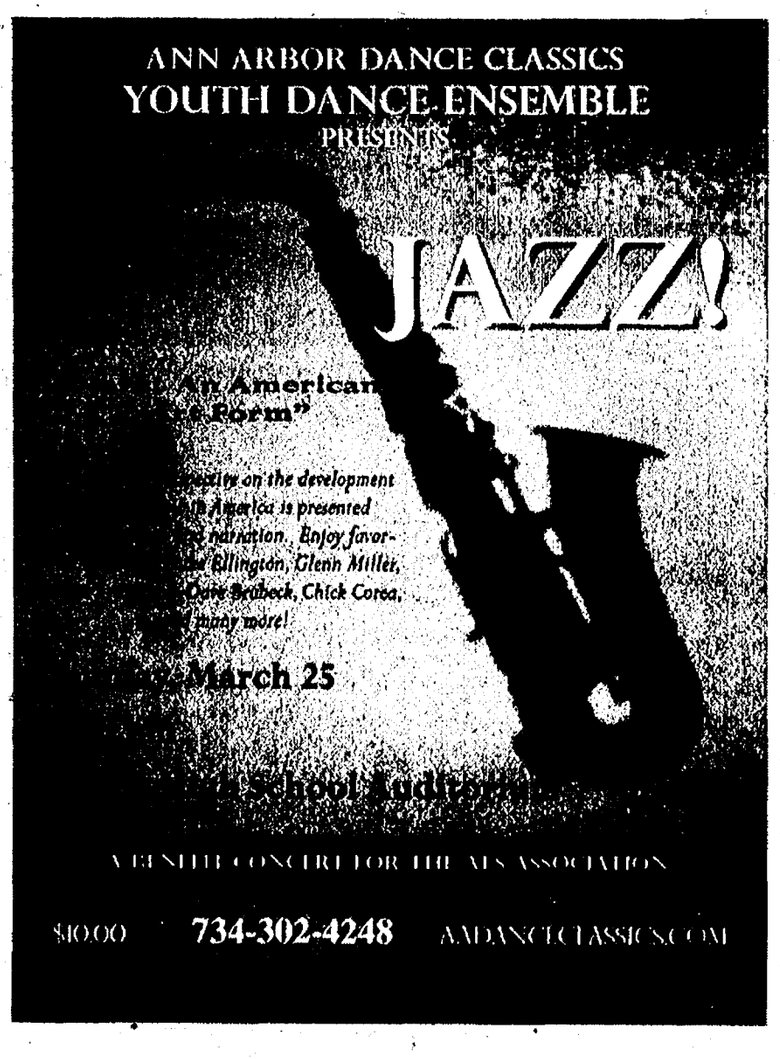

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Call (734) 426-4693 Ext 7 for further details.

*Free Dolphins membership/swim lessons limited to this Open House only. Offer expires March 31st, 2007.

Call Dean Naudi at (734) 426-4693

Want to achieve financial goals? Just do the math

money WI$E

Diane Kieliszews

If you breathed a sigh of relief when you put away that algebra or geometry textbook for the last time, you might not be eager to take up the subject of math again. However, by doing some number crunching, you can put a "price tag" on your long-term financial goals - and that's the first step toward achieving them.

To quantify the costs of your objectives, you must be specific about what you're trying to accomplish. Do you want to retire as soon as you possibly can and then spend your time traveling the world? Or are you planning to work until 65 and then open your own small business? Obviously, these are vastly different goals - with vastly different costs to you.

Once you know what you really want to do when you retire, you should be able to project your annual yearly expenses.

Then, you can ask yourself these questions:

How many years will I spend in retirement? None of us can predict exactly how long we will live. But if you consider your overall health, your lifestyle habits and your family's history of longevity, you can come up with a reasonable estimate of how many years you might have to pay for in retirement.

Where will my income come from? To pay for your retirement goals, you'll likely need to draw on all types of income available to you, including Social Security and your investments, such as your IRA, 401(k) and whatever individual stocks and other securities you may own. To help reach the level of income you'll require, you will need to monitor all these investments over the years, and make changes as needed.

Achieving the "ideal" retirement might be your biggest financial goal, but it's almost certainly not the only one. But no matter what goals you have, you'll still need to "do the math" necessary to calculate costs and arrive at solutions.

So, for example, if you'd like to help pay for college for your children (or grandchildren), you'll need to look at what college costs today, how much it's likely to cost in the future and how much money you can devote to paying those costs.

To illustrate: For the 2006-2007 school year, it costs, on average, $16,357 for students attending four-year public colleges and universities, according to the College Board. If college costs were to rise five percent every year, today's newborns can expect to pay about $162,000 for four years at a public school.

And you can take this same approach to other long-term goals, such as buying a second home or a new business. Keep in mind, though, that "doing the math" can involve a lot of variables, so you may well want to consult with a financial advisor - someone with the tools and experience to help you chart your course toward your goals.

But don't wait too long - the sooner you start planning, the more pleasant "the math" will be for you.

Diane Kieliszewski is a financial advisor with Edward Jones in Chelsea.

Scouting for Food

Connor Gilbreath of Cub Scout Pack 455 hangs tags on the door. The food pick-up is March 24.

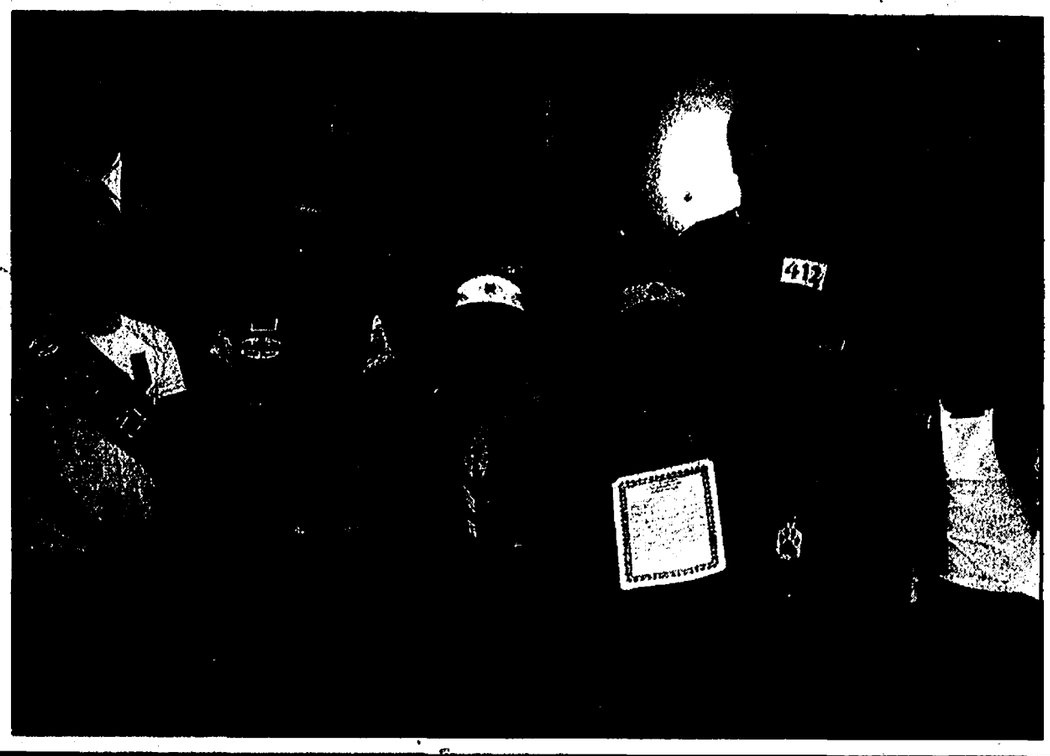
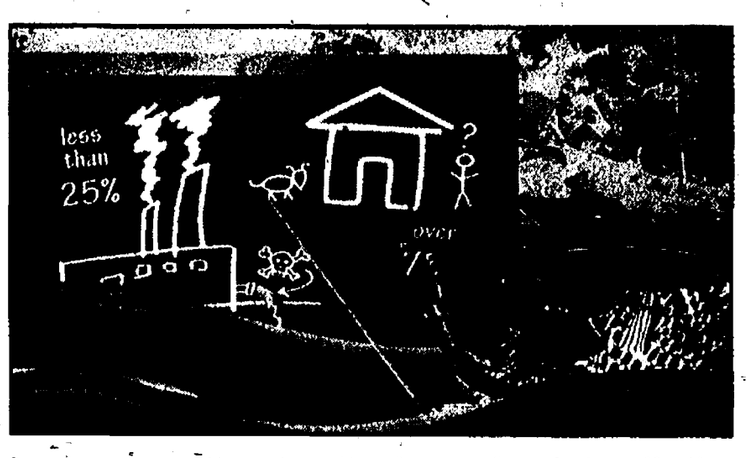


Photo by Edward Freundl

The Chelsea City Council issued a proclamation March 13 naming March 17 to 24 "Scouting for Food Week." Chelsea Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Venture Scouts distributed flyers and door hangers on March 17 urging people to set aside nonperishable food items to be picked up at their homes or at Country Market on Saturday, to be donated to Faith in Action. Bottom row: Josie Ewald (left), Sarah Carrara, Daniel Carrara, Preston Ewald, Matthew Van Buren and Jenna Bach; top row: City Councilman Jason Lindauer (left), City Councilman Kent Martinez-Kratz, Steve Mattison, Chris Mattison and Kathryn Brieland-Shoultz.

Millers Creek Film Festival is Tuesday in Ann Arbor



The second annual Millers Creek Film Festival, presented by the Huron River Watershed Council, is a gala celebration that includes screening of prize-winning short films about human connections to all parts of the Huron River system.

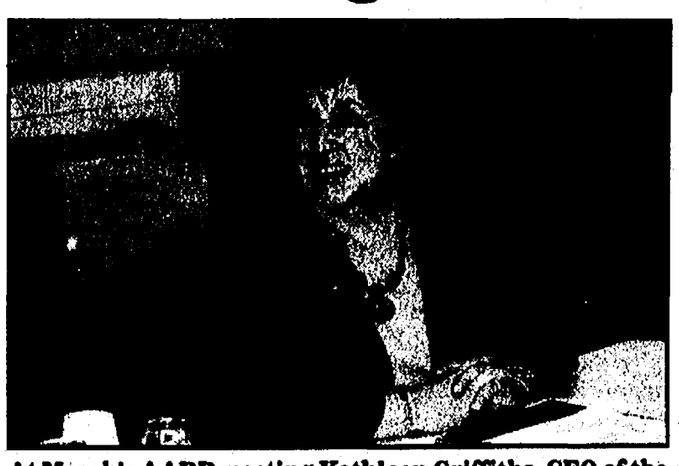
The Huron River Watershed Council (HRWC) wants people to think about their connection to fresh water. People throughout the watershed have made entertaining short films for the festival, to be held at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Three winning entries will receive $500 and a "Millie" the official festival trophy. Audience members will join filmmakers for a festival reception following the screening and awards.

The finalists include Lindsay Green from Mill Creek Middle School. See a family story of kiss, love and hope, join a relaxing trip down the river in every season and hear a message from the Rock Bass. Cheer on two families struggling to save the river from industrialization, tremble to see "It Came from the Drain" and learn how a riverbank was rescued.

The Millers Creek Film Festival open to people of all ages is a contest for original five-minute films or 30-second public service announcements about the human connection to all parts of the Huron River Watershed, This year, approximately one hour of films will be screened.

The winners have been chosen for their effective explanation of the human connection to our water, production quality, entertainment value and brevity.

AARP guest



At March's AARP meeting Kathleen Griffiths, CEO of the Chelsea Community Hospital, discussed the services available at the hospital and the new professional building. Future growth of the hospital, especially oncology services, were of interest to the Chelsea Area AARP. For more information about AARP and meeting times, call the Senior Center at 1-734-475-9242. Everyone is welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M.
AT DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI. 48130

AGENDA

1) Public Hearing for Wetlands Protection Ordinance (Separate Notice)

Publish: March 22, 2007

LOCH ALPINE SANITARY AUTHORITY
OF WEBSTER AND SCIO TOWNSHIPS COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the regular Quarterly Meeting of the Loch Alpine Sanitary Authority of the Townships of Webster and Scio is scheduled. The meeting will be held on:

April 2, 2007
7:00 PM
At the
Webster Township Hall
5665 Webster Church Road
Dexter, MI

Neil Geri, Chairman

Publish: March 22, 2007
March 29, 2007

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

DATE: March 27, 2007 ***TIME:*** 7:30 p.m.
NAME: Wetland Protection Ordinance
ADDRESS: Dexter Township
INTEREST IN PROPERTY:
PARCEL IDENTIFICATION:
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
PURPOSE OF HEARING:

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE on WETLAND PROTECTION ORDINANCE

The Dexter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on March 27, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on a proposed Wetland Protection Ordinance. The public hearing will be held at the Dexter Township Hall at 6880 Dexter Pinckney Road in Dexter Township. A copy of the proposed Wetland Protection Ordinance can be viewed at the Dexter Township Hall during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. Written comments should be received by 12:00 p.m. (noon), March 27, 2007 and addressed to the Dexter Township Planning Commission, 6880 Dexter Pinckney Road, Dexter, MI, 48130. The proposed Wetland Protection Ordinance would provide Township regulation of all wetlands one-half (1/2) to five (5) acres in size, whether partially or entirely contained within a project site, which are not contiguous to any lake, stream, river or pond. All wetlands greater than five (5) acres in size are currently regulated by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The authority for a local unit of government to regulate a wetland is granted by Section 30307(4) of the Natural Resources and Wetland Protection Act (Act 451 of 1994). The proposed Wetland Protection Ordinance includes permitted and prohibited land use activities within a wetland, permit procedures, review standards, mitigation requirements, appeal procedures, and penalty provisions.

amendments provide for the creation of a commercial planned unit development overlay district that will cover C-1 General Commercial Districts, and will facilitate the submission, review and approval of applications for specific development proposals, of a predominantly commercial character, that rely on more flexible land use and development standards than would normally be permitted by the typical standards of the C-1 General Commercial District.

John Shea, Chairperson
Dexter Township Planning Commission

You are invited to attend this Hearing or contact the Planning Commission in writing at the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter Pinckney Rd. Dexter, MI. 48130, to express your views on this matter.

Publish: March 22, 2007

DEXTER TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2007 - 7:00 P.M.
AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI 48130

AGENDA

1)
Appeal Number: 07-ZBA-657
Property Tax ID: 04-18-100-026 & -027
Applicant Name(s): Michael & Kathleen Conter
Property Address: 7563 Noah's Landing

Variances Requested per submitted ZBA Application:

Section	Current	Requested	Permitted	Description/Notes
12.02.E.1	.07 acres	.07 acres	1 acre	Recognize lot is less than 1 acre,
12.02.E.2	33 feet	33 feet	150 feet	Recognize lot width is less than 150 feet.
12.02.E.3.a (1st story home/roof)	15' 6" (road); 40' 5" (water)	9' 4" (road); 31' 0" (water)	50' (road); 50' (water)	To increase the front yard setback nonconformities on the road side and water side by covering the existing decks.
12.02.E.3.a (2nd story home/roof)	15' 6" (road); 57' 7.5" (water)	9' 4" (road); 40' 5" (water)	50' (road); 50' (water)	To increase the front yard setback nonconformities by covering the existing deck on the road side and extending the second story to match the first story elevation on the water side.
12.02.E.3.a (deck)	11' 6" (road); 31' 0" (water)	11' 6" (road); 31' 0" (water)	50' (road); 50' (water)	Recognize existing front yard setback nonconformities of the decks.
12.02.E.3.b	1' 7" (north); 6' 2" (south)	1' 7" (north); 6' 2" (south)	7 feet	Recognize current side yard setback nonconformities and allow the nonconformities on the north and south sides to be extended by 26' 4.5" toward the water.
12.02.E.4	33.27%	42.02%	25%	To increase the nonconforming lot coverage.

2)
Appeal Number: 07-ZBA-658
Property Tax ID: 04-12-100-018
Applicant Name(s): William Kinley
Property Address: 9789 Huron River Drive

Variances Requested per submitted ZBA Application:

Section	Current	Requested	Permitted	Description/Notes
12.01.E.3.b	-2.4' (shed); 17.1' (house)	N/A (shed); +2.4' (house)	15 feet	Eliminate an existing side yard setback nonconformity by removing a shed that encroaches on the neighboring property to the south. Creats a new side yard setback nonconformity by constructing an attached addition onto the south side of the existing home.

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LYNDON TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 46

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP MULTI-LAKE SEWER USE ORDINANCE, TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 25, TO PROHIBIT CONSTRUCTION WITHIN SEWER EASEMENTS, AND OTHER REGULATIONS.

THE TOWNSHIP OF LYNDON ORDAINS AN AMENDMENT TO THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP MULTI-LAKE SEWER USE ORDINANCE, TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 25, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

Sec. 1.0 Amendment

The Lyndon Township Multi-Lake Sewer Use Ordinance, Township Ordinance No. 25, as previously adopted, is hereby amended by the addition of the following provisions:

Section 11.1 No person shall place, construct or erect on, any building, structure, foundation, or construction, over, into, under, or across any easement or right of way owned by the Authority, or place or maintain any trees, shrubs, or other vegetation which interferes with the use and operation of the easement and facilities placed therein.

Section 11.2 No person shall do any act which interferes with the Authority's right to enter and re-enter its easements or right-of-ways and to clear and keep clear the easements or right-of-way area from any building, structure, foundation, or construction, and from any interfering trees, shrubs, and other vegetation.

Section 2.0 The remaining sections of said Ordinance and its amendments not inconsistent herewith are ratified and reaffirmed.

Section 3.0 The within amending ordinance shall be effective twenty (20) days after adoption and publication as provided by law.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW)ss

I, LINDA REILLY, Clerk of the Township of Lyndon, a Michigan Township Corporation, do hereby certify that at a regular meeting of the Lyndon Township Board, held at the Lyndon Town Hall, 17751 North Territorial Road, Chelsea, Michigan 48118, in said Township at 7:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on the 13th day of March, 2007, that the above Ordinance was adopted and that the following Members were present:

Maryann Noah, Mary Jane Maze, LeeAnn Shanahan, Kathryn Francis and Linda Reilly

The following members were absent: None

That upon motion made by LeeAnn Shanahan and seconded by Mary Jane Maze, said Ordinance was adopted on the following roll call vote:

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Linda Reilly
Lyndon Township Clerk

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Why isn't there unity among the churches?

MINISTERIAL Message

By Chris Dawson
Church of Christ in Chelsea

If you look up the word "Churches" in the Yellow Pages, it quickly becomes evident that there is a lack of unity among the Churches.

If you were then to visit all of these churches, you would not only notice a wide range of names, but also many differing practices and teachings. Upon some investigation you might also notice that these various churches answer to different authorities; one looks to their Convention for guidance, another looks to a certain Synod, and yet another goes to the Bishops for instruction in conducting the work of the church. All of them want to be believers in Jesus and followers of His word, yet so much confusion and division exist among them.

Why is this so? And can anything be done about this?

Did you know that while Jesus was still on the earth He prayed to the Father for unity among His followers? He prayed, "That they all might be one" (John 17:21).

In the same verse Jesus explains that having unity is one way in which the world may believe in Christ. Some say that the denominations have unity in their diversity, and that they simply agree to disagree. Is this the oneness for which Christ prayed? Not at all. Jesus prayed, "That they may be one, even as we are one" (John 17:22). Jesus and the Father are one, not because they have unity in diversity, or because they go along to get along. They have unity because they are in harmony with each other in word and in deed. That is the harmony that Jesus wants from His followers.

The way to go about establishing this type of unity is to bring all people back to the word of God and let it be the only guide for faith and practice in religion.

Jesus emphasized the important role of the word in His prayer for unity (John 17:6,8,14,17,21). Notice that Peter wrote "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles (words) of God" (I Pet. 4:11). Also, the apostle Paul, in condemning division and urging unity, said that Christians are to all "speak the same thing, and that there be no division among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (I Cor. 1:10). Does it appear to you that the churches are obeying God in this matter? What would you suggest the churches do in order to fulfill this command

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Chelsea Free Methodist Church will host Ballet Magnificat at 11 a.m. on Sunday at the Chelsea High School Auditorium.

The community is invited to experience a moving performance called "Hiding Place." Inspired by the true story of Corrie ten Boom, Ballet Magnificat's "Hiding Place" steps into the struggle of two sisters, Corrie and Betsie ten Boom. Corrie and Betsie search for possibilities to help their life-long Jewish neighbors and friends obtain security found in a small hiding place built in the wall of their home, only to be discovered and transported to the concentration camp of Ravensbrück to face struggles far exceeding their wildest imagination.

Admission is free, and is open to the public. A love offering will be taken. In addition, a lunch will be served in the Commons of CHS following the performance. Proceeds will benefit upcoming Teen Ministry trips scheduled for this summer.

Ballet Magnificat, the world's premier full-time Christian ballet company, has been bringing audiences with spiritually compelling performances all over the world. Under the direction of Christie Allred

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Spirituality increases as alcoholics recover

ANN ARBOR - For decades, recovering alcoholics and those who treat them have incorporated spirituality into the recovery process - whether or not it's religious in nature. But few research studies have documented if and how spirituality changes during recovery, nor how those changes might influence a person's chance of succeeding in the quest for sobriety.

Now, a new study from researchers at the University of Michigan Addiction Research Center sheds light on this phenomenon. In the March issue of the Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs, they show that many measures of spirituality tend to increase during alcohol recovery.

They also demonstrate that those who experience increases in day-to-day spiritual experiences and their sense of purpose in life are most likely to be free of heavy drinking episodes six months later.

"While people's actual beliefs don't seem to change during recovery, the extent they have spiritual experiences, and are open to spirituality in their lives, does change," says lead researcher Elizabeth A.R. Robinson, Ph.D., a research assistant professor in the U of M Medical School's Department of Psychiatry and member of UMARC. "This effect was also independent of their participation in Alcoholics Anonymous which has a strong spiritual aspect."

The researchers report data from 154 adults with a diagnosis of alcohol dependence or alcohol abuse who entered an outpatient treatment program.

At the beginning of the study, and again six months later, the researchers assessed 10 different measures of the participants' spirituality and religiousness using standard research questionnaires. These included their views of God, religious practices such as prayer or church attendance, forgiveness, spiritual experiences, using religion or spirituality to cope, and existential meaning.

The researchers also assessed participants' alcohol use, and problems related to their alcohol use, before the study began and after six months. All of these responses were combined with information about gender and AA participation, and analyzed using statistical techniques.

In all, the study shows, half of the measures of spirituality changed significantly in the six month period, including daily spiritual experiences, the use of religious practices, forgiveness, positive use of religion for coping, and feelings of purpose in life.

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> *U-M Medical School*

But the measures that assessed individuals' core beliefs and values about God or religion didn't change. At the same time, use of alcohol decreased significantly, and 72 percent of participants did not relapse to heavy drinking.

The researchers then looked at how changes in spirituality related to the likelihood that a person had relapsed to heavy drinking. Those who had experienced an increase in their daily spiritual experiences were less likely to participate in any heavy drinking, as were those who had experienced an increase in their feeling that there was a purpose to their lives. Changes in the other measures of spirituality were not statistically associated with the likelihood of sobriety.

Robinson and her colleagues write that their results suggest that "proactive and experiential" dimensions of spirituality, rather than cognitive ones, were contributing to the recovery and decrease in drinking in the first six months.

They note that this pattern is consistent with two AA slogans: "Bring your body, your mind will follow," and "Fake it 'til you make it."

In other words, changes in core beliefs and values don't have to occur in order for someone to be more open to spiritual experiences or to take part in more spiritual activities.

These findings suggest that including spirituality of all kinds into the delivery of recovery services for alcoholism may indeed help. Many individual faiths or religious institutions have offered recovery services, and some advocates have suggested that faith-based recovery is most effective for all. But Robinson notes that the spirituality seen in the study was not necessarily a matter of believing in one interpretation of God, or even belief in a God of any kind.

One program that has been shown conclusively to aid alcoholics in achieving and maintaining sobriety is AA, which has spiritual components including invocation of a higher power. The new study, however, shows that the relationship between spirituality and likelihood of recovery was unrelated to whether a person took part in AA or not.

Some alcoholics may derive help from the spiritual aspects of AA, but others may not, says Robinson. "There's more than one way to feed your spiritual self," she said.

The U of M research team has begun a new phase of research involving people who are taking part in three different alcohol treatment programs, and alcoholics not currently in treatment. This study will follow more than 360 people over three years. They are also analyzing the data from this 154-person group more in-depth, including looking at how the individuals defined and described their own religious and spiritual preferences and practices.

Family fun

Concert features Chelsea Chamber Players

The Chelsea Chamber Players will present their annual "Family Concert" at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Chelsea Depot in downtown Chelsea. This will be an exceptionally special program with the musical presentation of local playwright Jeff Duncan's charming tale "Roland the Minstrel Pig," an adaptation of William Steig's delightful story, set in medieval times.

The story is about a lute-playing, sweet-singing pig who sets off to seek his fame and fortune when he runs into the wily fox Sebastian.

Local composer Stephen Eddins was commissioned to write the music to the story, which will be presented by Ann Arbor's Wild Swan Theater and the Chelsea Chamber Players.

Cast features Michelle Lanzi, Sandy Ryder, Travis Pratt. Musicians include flutist Cynthia Standefer, trumpeter Kiri Tollaksen, violinist Ian Cumming and cellist Sara Cumming.

Admission is free.

The Chelsea Chamber Players is a non-profit organization that provides live music concerts to the people of Chelsea and surrounding communities, and further educational experiences for these communities through workshops in schools and summer music camp opportunities. The organization consists of contract musicians performing as duo, trio and quartet ensembles, and approximately a dozen volunteers who assist with organizational and administrative tasks.

Wild Swan Theater has been delighting family audiences since 1980 with performances that blend storytelling, movement, and music into magical, accessible experiences.

Premiering productions in its home base of Ann Arbor and touring them throughout Michigan and the Midwest, Wild Swan has enchanted hundreds of thousands of playgoers of all ages in theaters, schools, libraries, and museums of all sizes.

Wild Swan Theater is nationally known for its ingenious artistry, its innovative audience accessibility programs, and its projects for participants with disabilities.

For more information, visit the Chelsea Chamber Players' website at chelseachamberplayers.com or call 734-475-0433.

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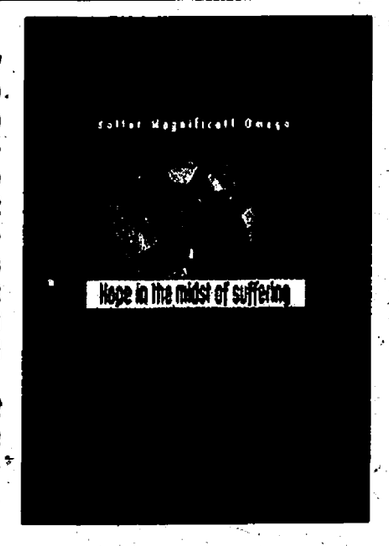
Director Jiri Sebastian Voborsky and Kathy Thibodeaux, the company brings spiritual concepts to life through the powerful medium of dance. The result is a fresh perspective on worship.

Three years ago, Chelsea Free Methodist Church introduced Ballet Magnificati to the community with great success. In February, Senior Pastor Larry Lyons was thrilled to learn that Ballet Magnificati would be available to return to Chelsea for a Sunday morning performance.

"What a wonderful opportunity we have to open our doors to those who might not otherwise come to us through a church setting," Pastor Lyons said. "We are a church focused on reaching out to our neighbors in unconventional ways. Bringing a world-class dance troupe like Ballet Magnificati to Chelsea is a real honor and speaks to who and what we are about."

For additional information about Ballet Magnificati or the Chelsea Free Methodist Church, call 734-475-1391 or visit www.chelseafmc.com.



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of God? For us to speak as the oracles (words) of God and all speak the same things means that we must all preach and practice only what is found in the Bible. When we, with honest hearts and open minds, come to the Bible in order to establish true unity, then and only then can we fulfill this command of the Lord.

At the church of Christ in Chelsea, we are sending out a call to all those who profess the name of Christ, that we lay down the man made creeds and manuals, that we throw out all the divisive church names which exalt man rather than God, that we cease to practice, preach, or teach anything which is not authorized by God's holy word.

Then will we come together in glorious unity to point the world toward Christ the Savior.

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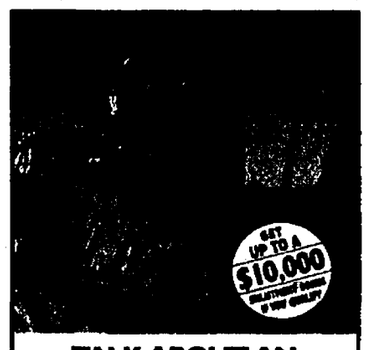

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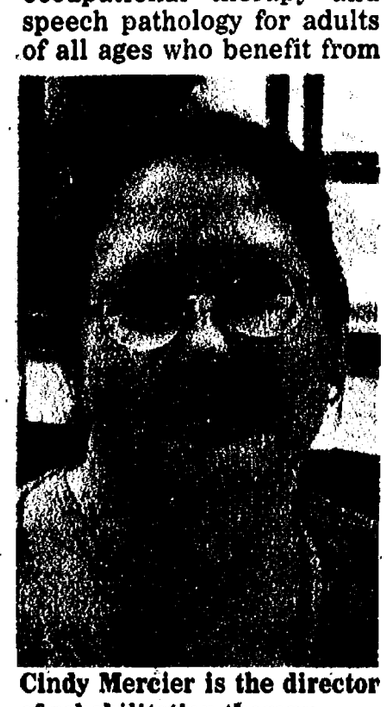
Kresge Center at Chelsea Retirement Communities eases recovery

Post-hospital rehabilitation speeds return to home

The path to resuming daily routines after surgery or other hospitalization needn't involve solo struggles at home, trips to therapy clinics or reliance on untrained family members. For patients in Washtenaw and surrounding counties, the experienced teams of rehabilitation therapists at Kresge Rehabilitation and Nursing Center are there as supportive guides on the road to recovery.

Located on the historic campus of Chelsea Retirement Communities (CRC), the modern, 55-bed Kresge Center focuses on short-term residents and provides 24-hour skilled care, as well as physical and occupational therapy and speech pathology for adults of all ages who benefit from



Cindy Mercier is the director of rehabilitation therapy.

building strength and regaining mobility through progressive therapy programs. Some receive intensive rehabilitation care for orthopedic and joint replacement surgeries, strokes, cardiac recovery, diabetes or other chronic conditions.

"One of our goals is to help residents return to the way they lived prior to their hospital stay," explains Cindy Mercier, director of rehabilitation therapy. "If they lived independently, that's the goal we aim for. Through physical and emotional support, we show residents 'you can do this.' "

Eleven full-time therapists help a diverse age group of residents recover from orthopedic impairments, joint replacements, heart-lung problems, strokes and other situations – including motor vehicle accidents.

"We restore their quality of life and give back their independence," said Mercier, who joined the team in 2002 as a physical therapist and became department head in 2005.

Region-wide resource

Kresge Center residents stay an average of about one month, with some discharged after a week, and others receiving care for longer periods of time. In addition to serving nearby communities such as Ann Arbor and Jackson, the Chelsea rehabilitation program is a resource for patients from Dexter, Manchester, Grass Lake, Lansing, Milan, Tecumseh, Adrian, Hillsdale and other communities.

Residents learn ways to strengthen muscles, maintain balance and conserve energy. Some get tips on rising safely from a bed and chair, while others practice transferring into and out of a wheelchair or bathtub. Residents also receive guidance on proper footwear, dressing techniques, meal preparation and reminders to pick up dropped objects by stooping rather than risking injury by bending.

Rehabilitation is tailored to each patient's needs, which are assessed after admission in consultation with medical professionals. Therapists are part of an interdisciplinary care team that meets to discuss care planning, pain management, nursing care and discharge planning.

Focusing on individual care is a 100-year-old principle of United Methodist Retirement Communities (UMRC), which operates CRC and this year begins its second century of service to Michigan families.

"The rehab staff provides important contributions as part of our skilled, compassionate care delivery team," said John Thorhauer, president and CEO. "Their dedication and teamwork contribute greatly to short-term residents' recovery – emotionally as well as physically."

Workouts for health

Residents receive therapy five days a week, with an individualized care plan tailored to each resident's specific goals. Daily therapy sessions take place in a state-of-the-art center complete with specialized therapy equipment. Therapists also use ultrasound and electrical stimulation techniques to manage pain, ease stiffness and increase circulation.

For realistic preparation to return home, the staff utilizes a training bathroom and working kitchen. "We show how to compensate for their conditions and offer techniques to avoid falls, strains and fatigue," the director explains.

This well equipped wellness center is a custom-designed portion of Kresge Rehabilitation and Nursing Center that was added in 2005. In addition to serving that building's residents, the rehabilitation therapy department provides outpatient care for men and women living elsewhere on the CRC campus.

Off-campus support

Before discharge in some cases, Kresge therapists perform home evaluations to assure wheelchair access or recommend safety modifications to their home environments. Family caregivers receive training to assist with stairs, bed transfers and wheelchair use.

"It's a very rewarding job," Mercier said. "No matter how long you've been in this profession, it feels personally fulfilling to see someone go from a wheelchair to a cane or to hear a resident say 'I never thought I'd do this again.' Some are surprised, even though we stress from the start that many others in their condition have accomplished what they will."

Achievements are displayed on a "Celebrate Success" wall with photos of smiling, waving residents ready to enjoy the abilities Kresge professionals helped them regain.

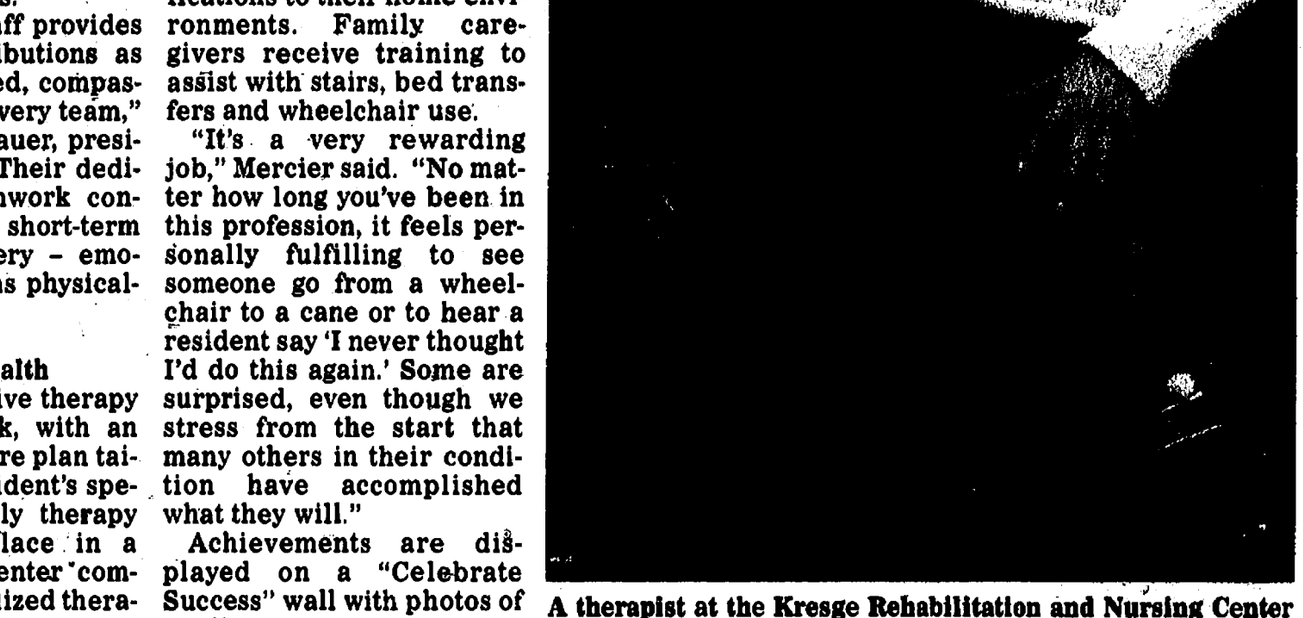
"There's never a single hero," said Mercier. "This is always a team triumph – with each resident deserving most credit."

A therapist at the Kresge Rehabilitation and Nursing Center works with a resident living at the Chelsea Retirement Communities.

For more information about Chelsea Retirement Communities' rehabilitation or skilled nursing services at Chelsea Retirement Communities, contact Admissions Coordinator Charlene Day at (734) 433-1000, ext. 416 or cday@umrc.com.

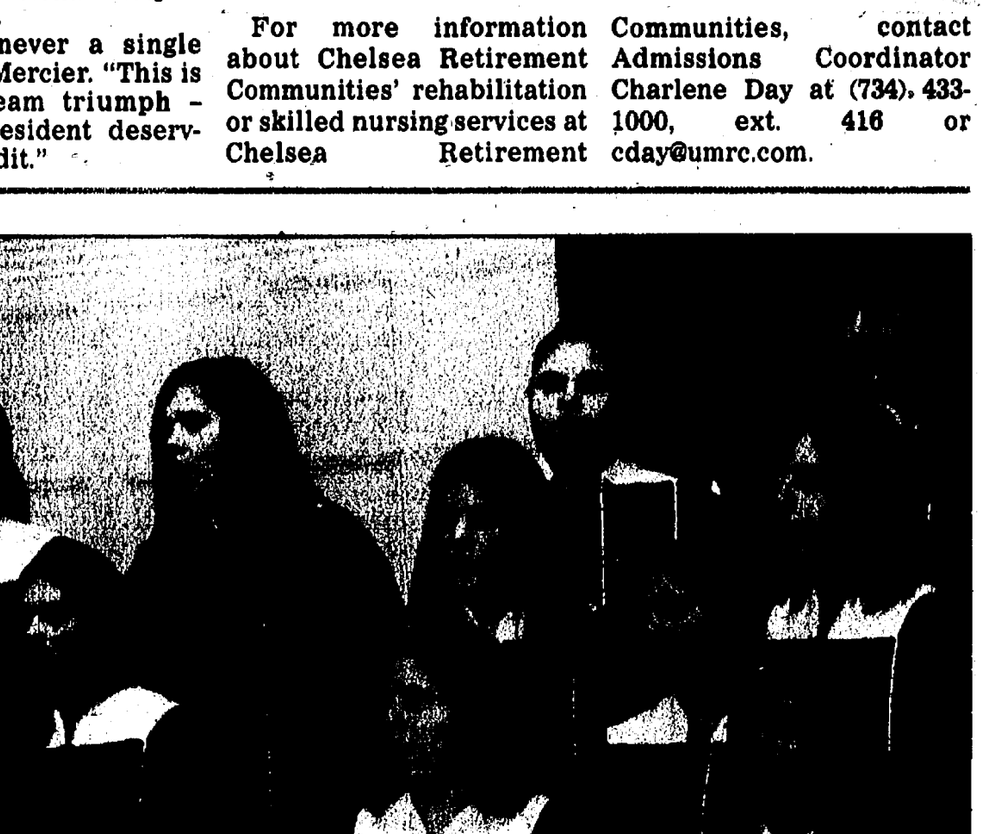
In concert

The Chelsea High School Concert Choir and Women's Chorus performed at the Chelsea Retirement Communities' chapel on Feb. 26. Attendees included residents, CHS family and friends. So many people showed up that CRC staff had to bring in extra chairs to accommodate all of the guests.



Chelsea High School's Concert Choir and Women's Chorus showcased their skills for CRC residents, family and friends.

Chelsea High School students performed a concert inside of the Chelsea Retirement Communities' chapel on Feb. 26.



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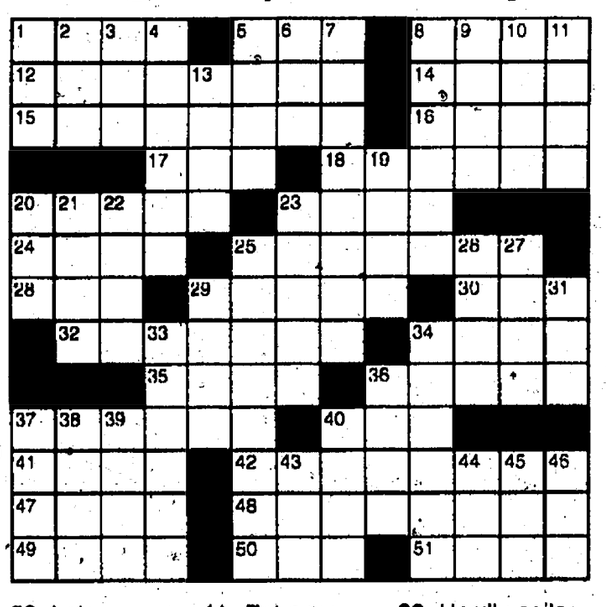

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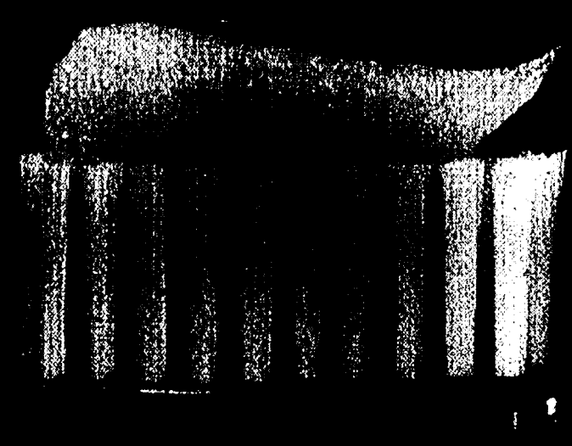

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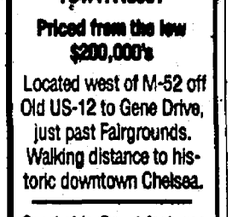

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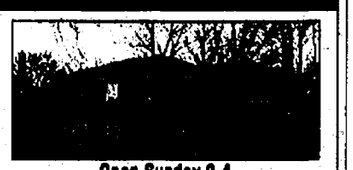

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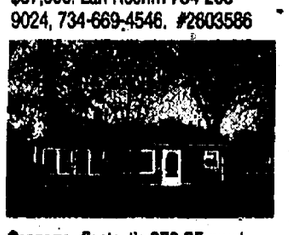

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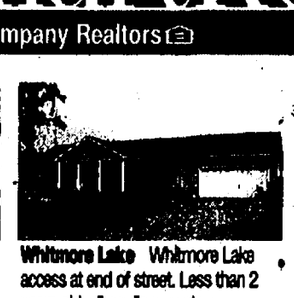

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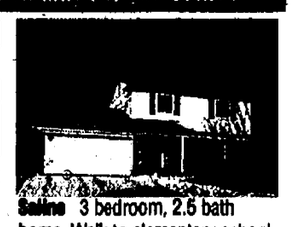

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Naylor Motor Sales Inc.

Chrysler Jeep dealer is hosting 'Minivan Extravaganza'

By Mike Schaffer
The News-Herald

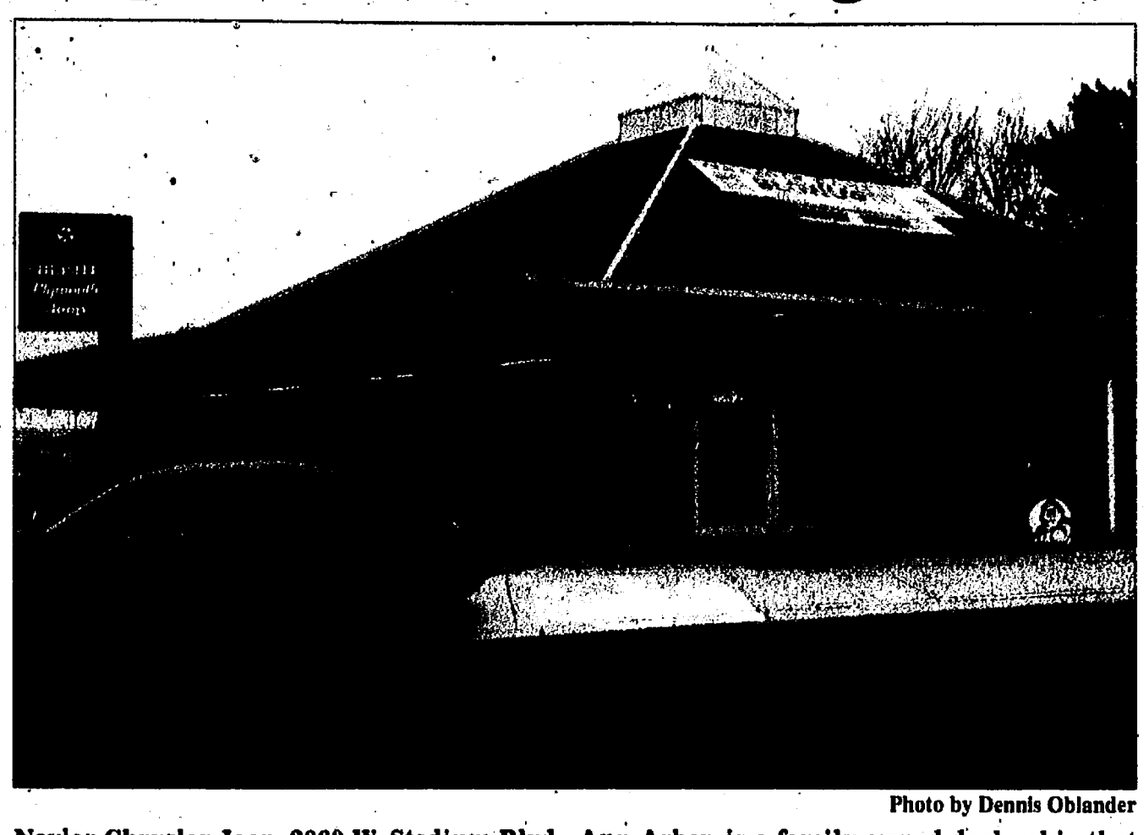
ANN ARBOR — Naylor Motor Sales Inc., 2060 W. Stadium Blvd., is hosting a "Minivan Extravaganza" through March 31.

Customers that trade in their 2000 to 2004 Chrysler or Dodge minivan and lease or purchase a new 2007 Chrysler Town & Country minivan between now and March 31 will receive a free 32-inch HDTV flat screen television. In addition, the dealership is offering rebates of up to $5,000 or free zero-percent financing for up to 60 months on all new minivans.

The 2007 Chrysler Town & Country minivans feature Stow 'N' Go seating, power liftgates, power sliding doors, steering wheel mounted audio controls, 16-inch aluminum wheels, rear heat and air conditioning and more.

Naylor's Chrysler Jeep dealership has been dubbed "The Minivan Store" according to General Sales Manager John Nabozny.

"Our tagline has always been, 'We make the difference,'" Nabozny said. "Whether it is our complimentary shuttle service or providing breakfast to our customers on Saturdays, we go above and beyond to do the little things."



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- **FOUNDED:** 1950 by Don Naylor.
- **OWNER:** Phil Naylor
- **EMPLOYEES:** 64
- **HOURS:** 7:30 to 8 p.m. Mondays; 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays. Sales is open until 8 p.m. on Thursdays.
- **INFO:** Call 1-734-662-3175 or toll free 1-800-981-3333, or visit www.naylormotors.com.

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Dear Valued Customer,

Since the introduction of the minivan in 1984, Naylor Chrysler-Jeep has prided itself in being amongst the highest-volume Chrysler minivan dealers in the country, selling thousands and thousands of America's favorite minivan. With model changeover this summer, Naylor Motor Sales has stocked up with over 200 Chrysler Town & Country minivans and has committed to breaking all previous minivan sales records.

Naylor Chrysler-Jeep has been dubbed "The Minivan Store" by many in the DaimlerChrysler organization and has always stepped up its efforts in the month of March with its annual "Minivan Extravaganza" sale.

March 2007 is no exception, as Naylor Motors has stepped up its inventory on minivans to levels never seen before, and is offering the largest discounts that customers have ever been able to take advantage of **PLUS** rebates up to $5,000. This is not your average sale, and these discounts will never be greater as all factory-to-dealer incentives will be utilized to get you the best possible deal anywhere in the country.

Have a trade-in? Naylor Chrysler-Jeep is in need of 2000 to 2004 Chrysler and Dodge minivans and will give you a 32-inch HDTV flat screen television **FREE** with any minivan purchase or lease when you trade in your 2000 to 2004 Chrysler or Dodge minivan.

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General Sales Manager

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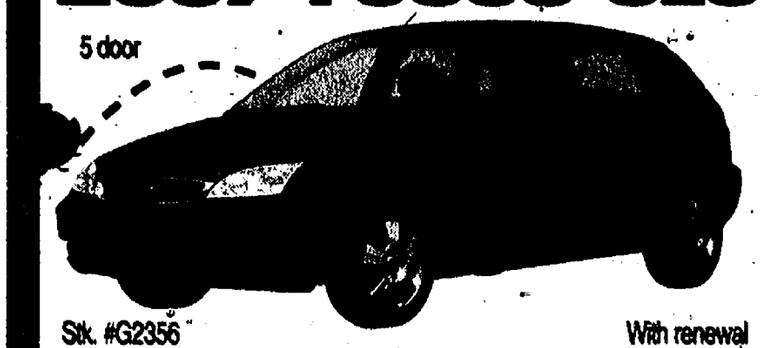

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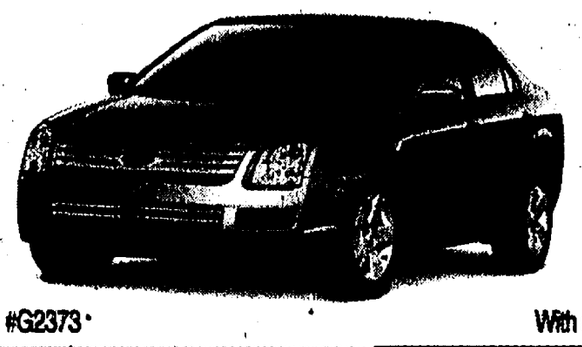

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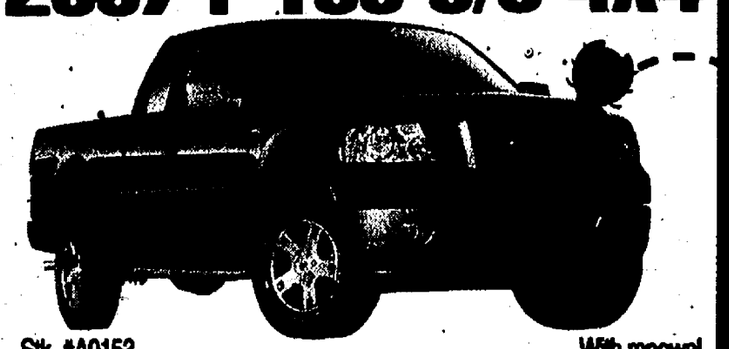

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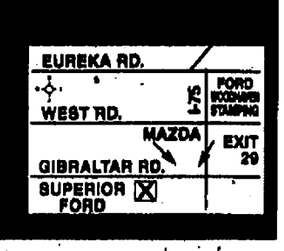

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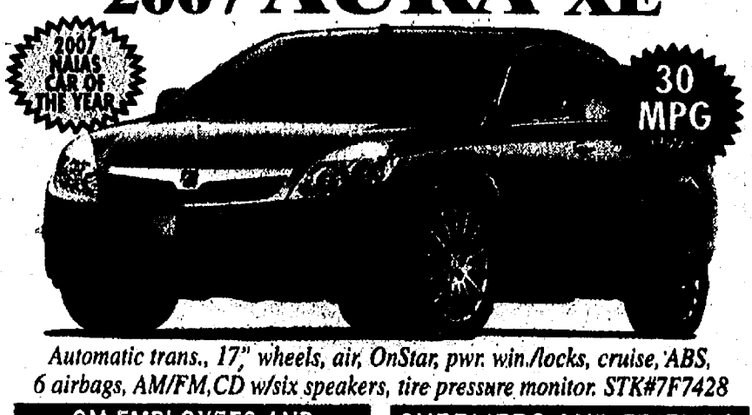

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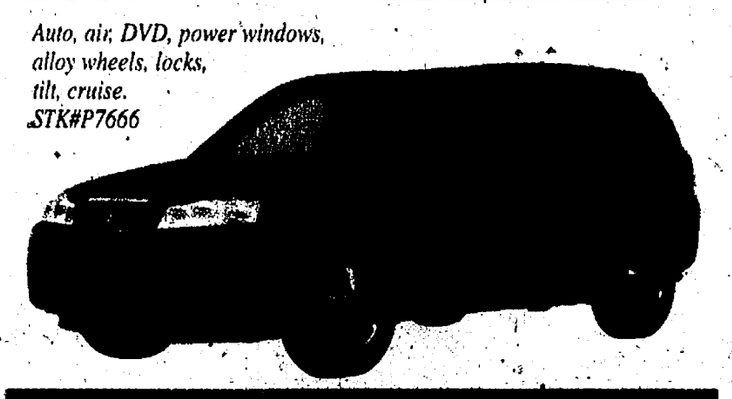

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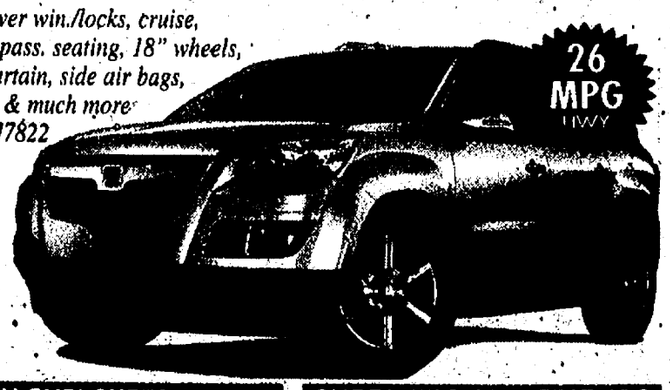

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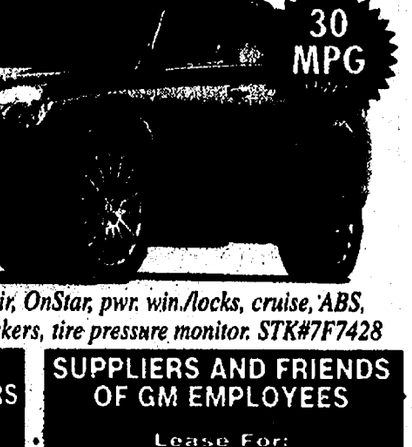

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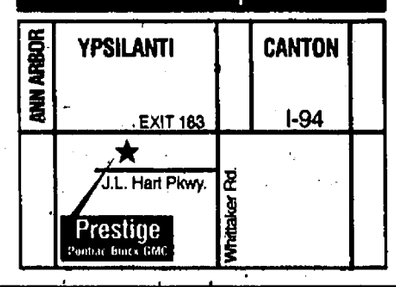

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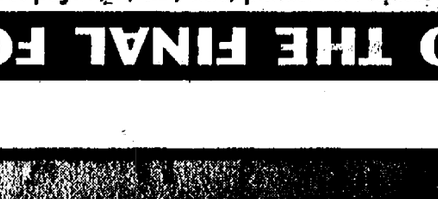

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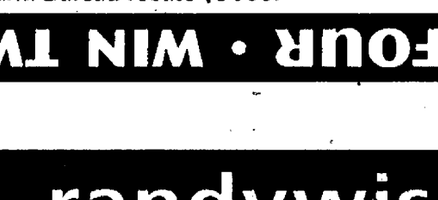

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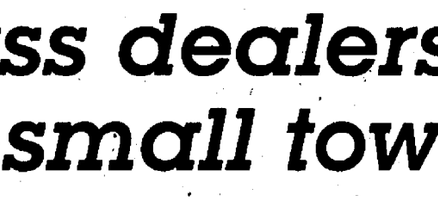

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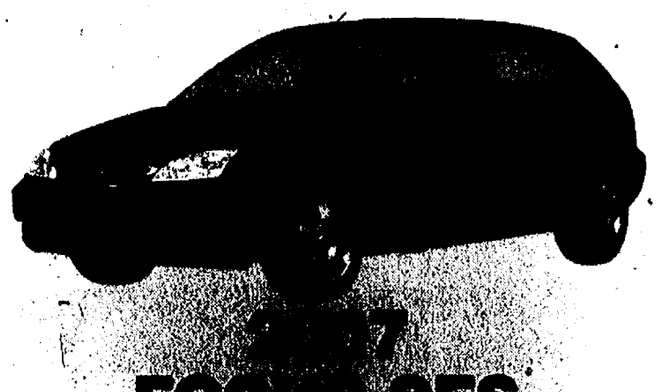

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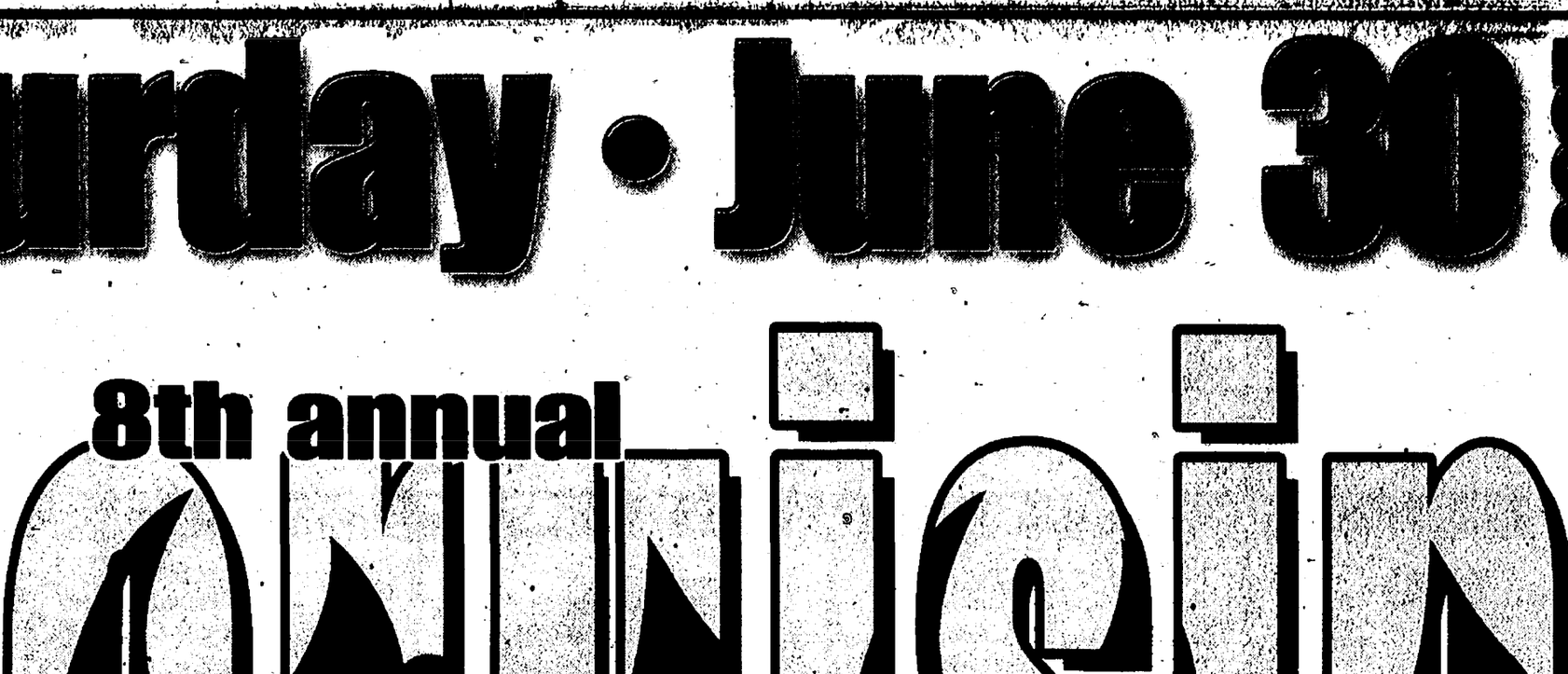

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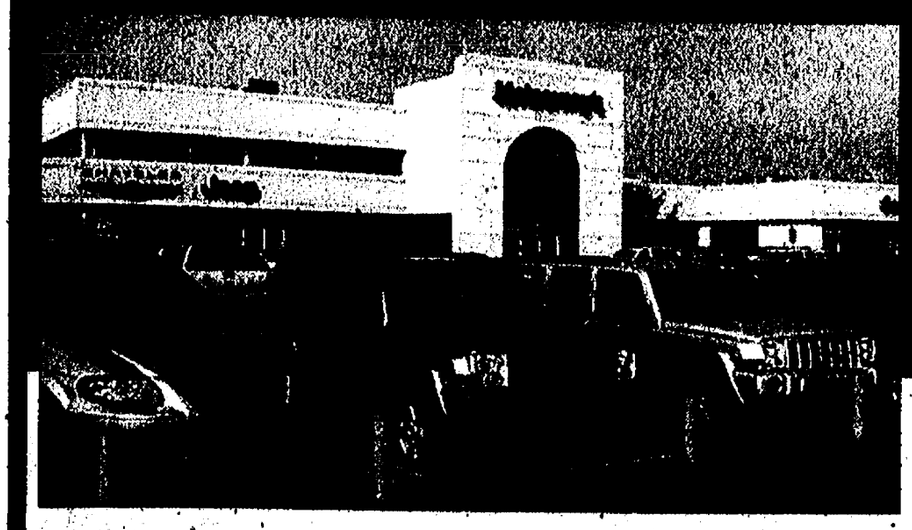

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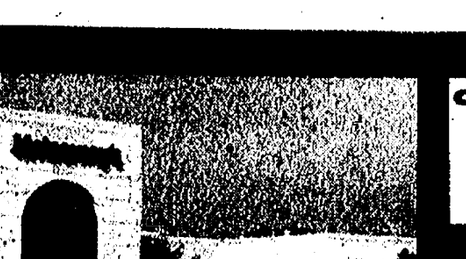

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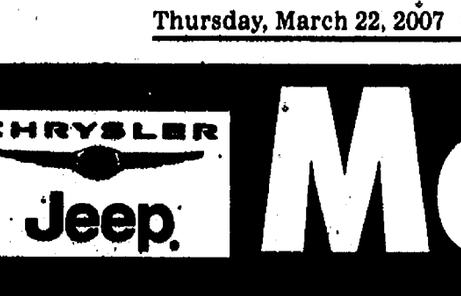

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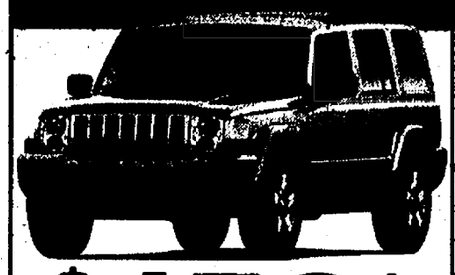

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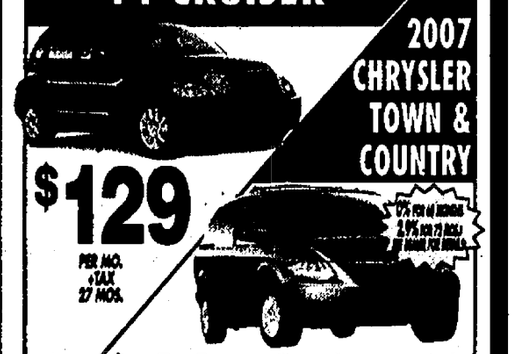

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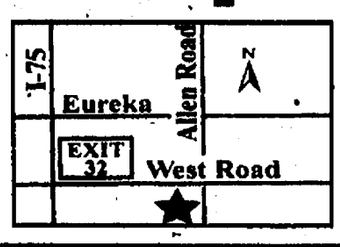

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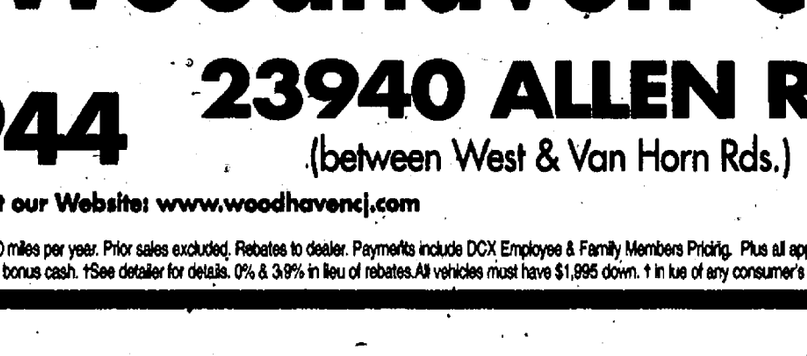

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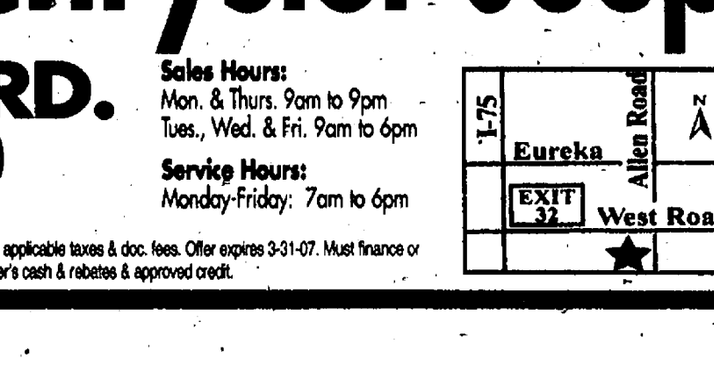

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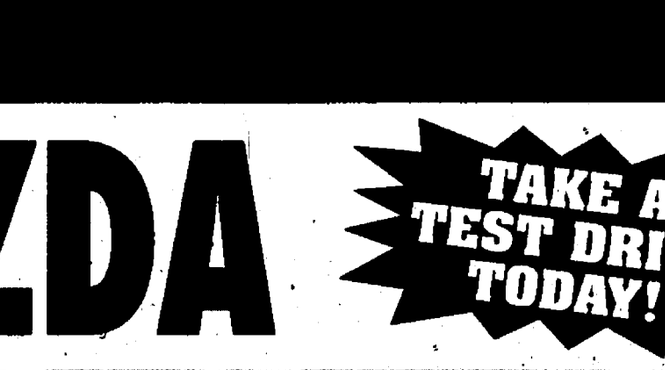

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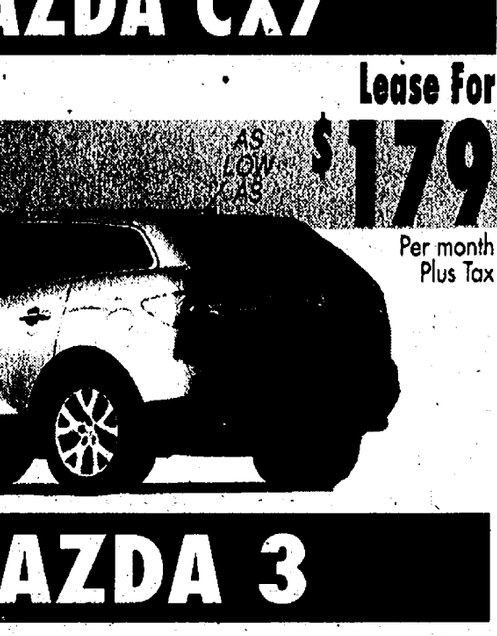

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Remove mold, mildew without scrubbing

Mold and mildew doesn't have to ruin the exterior appearance of your home.

Mold and mildew can make the exterior of your home look dirty, unattractive and rob it of its curb appeal. If left unchecked, they can also damage paint, wood, roofs and siding.

Removing mold and mildew used to mean countless hours of scrubbing or power washing — only to have it return the next year. Fortunately, those days are gone. Thanks to products specifically formulated to kill mold and mildew — and prevent it from coming back — there's now a scrub-free way to a mold- and mildew-free home. Here's how:

• Control the moisture around your home. Keep shrubs, plants and mulch away from exterior walls. Trim any branches or tree limbs that touch the outside of your home. Clear gutters and drains of any leaves or debris.

Since mold and mildew need moisture to grow, redirect sprinklers and rotate hanging planters to prevent water from regularly collecting on exterior surfaces. Also, make sure rain water is not collecting near your home's foundation. Repair leaks and

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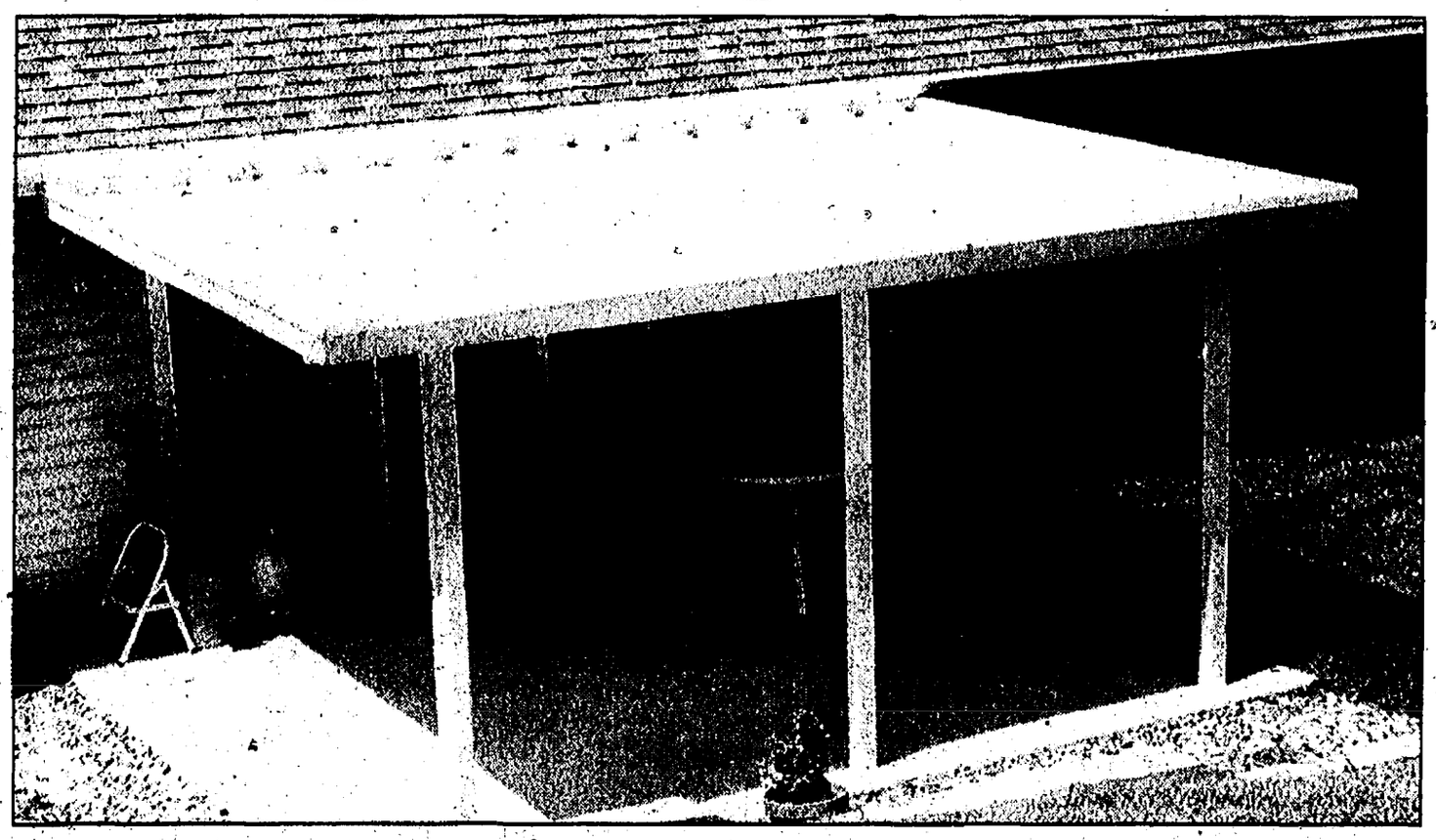

A new Web site provides everything a homeowner needs for the do-it-yourself installation of a patio cover or screened room.

As the outdoor entertaining season approaches, many homeowners begin a familiar routine: they uncover the patio furniture, get the grill ready for cooking, and clean off the winter debris that has collected on the patio.

Yet, despite all this effort, the patio often ends up standing unused for most of the summer. Hot, sunny days make it uncomfortable; cool, rainy days make it unusable; and on summer evenings, mosquitoes and other insects often drive everyone back indoors.

The solution, of course, is to cover and screen the patio, but finding a reliable contractor is often difficult, costly and slow. And the alternative — planning, calculating and doing the job yourself — is often far beyond the capabilities of the average do-it-yourselfer.

Fortunately, the Internet has provided a new solution. An innovative Web site now makes it possible for homeowners to plan, design, specify and order a completely new covered patio — with or without screening — right from their keyboards.

The Web site — www.patiocovers-diy.com — offers complete do-it-yourself patio cover kits that are well within the capabilities of the typical "weekend handyman," said Mike Madden, president of Madden Manufacturing, which fabricates the kits and markets them under the brand name Patio Covers DIY.

"Every Patio Covers DIY kit includes all the necessary components and hardware, which are shipped directly to the buyer's home with no additional shipping charge," says Madden. "For most homeowners it's an ideal weekend project — in install it in only a few fact, two people can usually hours."

Patio cover kits are available for virtually any size patio, from 8-foot-by-8-foot 12-fotot-by-30-foot with or without optional screens and doors. Homeowners also can choose an unscreened cover for now, and add an optional screen kit at a later date. Patio cover prices begin as low as $600, and include free shipping in the 48 contiguous U.S. states.

Every Patio Covers DIY kit is shipped with a step-by-step installation video along with easy-to-follow illustrated written instructions. The kits are assembled using common tools, such as a screwdriver, drill, hacksaw, adjustable wrench, hammer and pliers.

"The quality of the kits meets or exceeds the highest standards," said Madden, adding that the kits are designed to comply with virtually all local building codes.

The Patio Covers DIY Web site even provides free downloadable engineering drawings to facilitate the permitting process. The site also offers detailed how-to-measure instructions to help ensure proper sizing, as well as installation tips and a list of frequently asked questions.

"Virtually everything you need for the entire project is available right on the Web site," Madden said.

Homeowners are also given a toll-free number they can call if they encounter any questions or problems during installation.

"Of course, if a homeowner doesn't want to tackle the project himself, he still has the option of turning all the components over to a contractor," Madden added. "In most cases, the homeowner will still end up saving time and expense when compared to having a cover designed from scratch."

Every kit is manufactured from the highest quality components, including extruded aluminum support beams and posts, and durable .032-gauge aluminum panels. Every component is either powder coated or finished with

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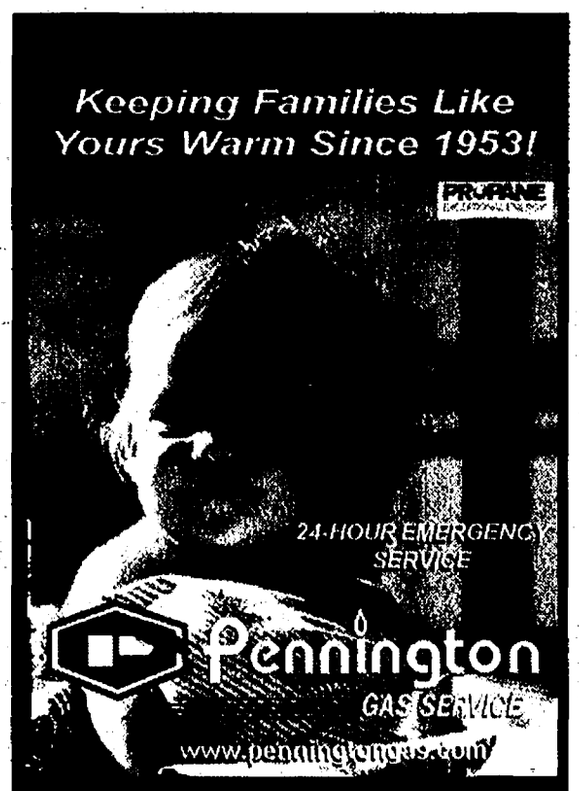

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Wallpaper removal simple with right tools

Have you grown tired of your old wallpaper? Is it out-of-date or the wrong color or pattern for your new décor?

If you've ever tried stripping wallpaper using a homemade vinegar and water solution or a heavy commercial steamer, you know what a tedious, unpleasant and time-consuming task it can be.

But wallpaper removal is simple if you use the right tools and learn a few tricks from the professionals. Here's some advice from the home improvement experts at Zinsser that can make removing old wallpaper quicker and easier than you ever dreamed possibl,- even if you've never stripped wallpaper before:

Step 1: Score the wallpaper. Most wallpaper has a washable, waterproof surface. If the top layer doesn't peel away easily, you will need to perforate the wallpaper with a scoring tool like PaperTiger. Scoring ensures that the wallpaper stripper is able to reach down and loosen the glue underneath.

Step 2: Apply a wallpaper stripper like DIF Wallpaper Stripper. Available in a liquid concentrate, gel or fast-acting liquid, it is safe, non-toxic and easy to use. Mix the concentrate with water to remove virtually any type of wallpaper and adhesive. Or spray on one of the ready-to-use formulas. The fast-acting liquid is great for removing common vinyl-coated or paper-backed vinyl wallpapers, while the gel handles the toughest removal jobs.

Apply the stripper one wall at a time, starting at the top and working your way down. It's formulated to penetrate and breakdown wallpaper paste quickly. In 20 minutes or less, the wallpaper will start to turn a dark color or begin to bubble. That means it is ready to be removed.

Step 3: Scrape off the loose wallpaper. PaperScraper helps get the wallpaper off the wall without hard work or surface damage. If any glue remains, simply reapply the stripper to the area, wait 15 to 20 minutes, remove it with PaperScraper or a sponge and rinse with clean water. It's that simple.

For more information about removing or hanging wallpaper, and for more helpful home improvement tips, visit the Web site www.zinsser.com.

Scoring will allow wallpaper stripper to loosen the glue behind the wallpaper and make it easier to remove.

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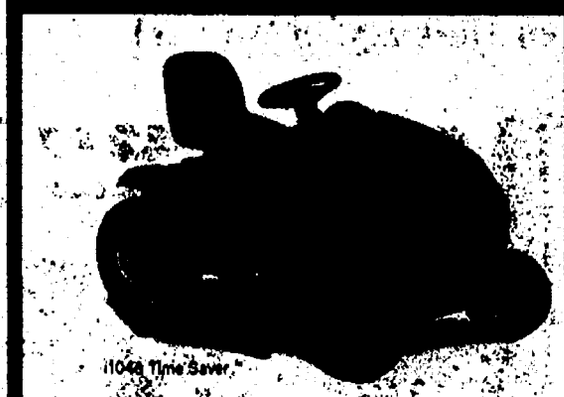

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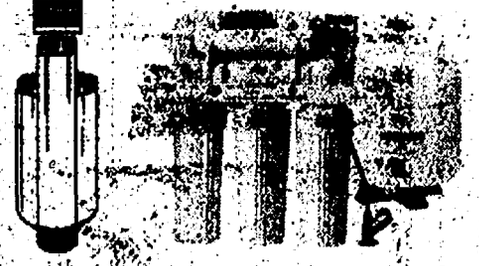

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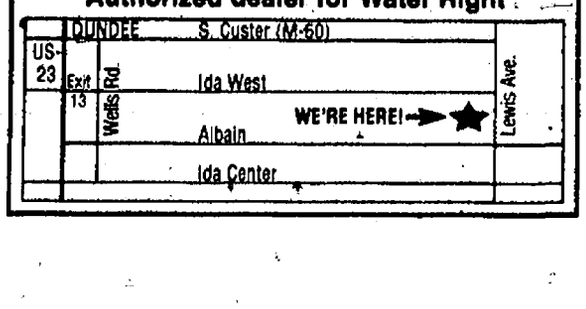

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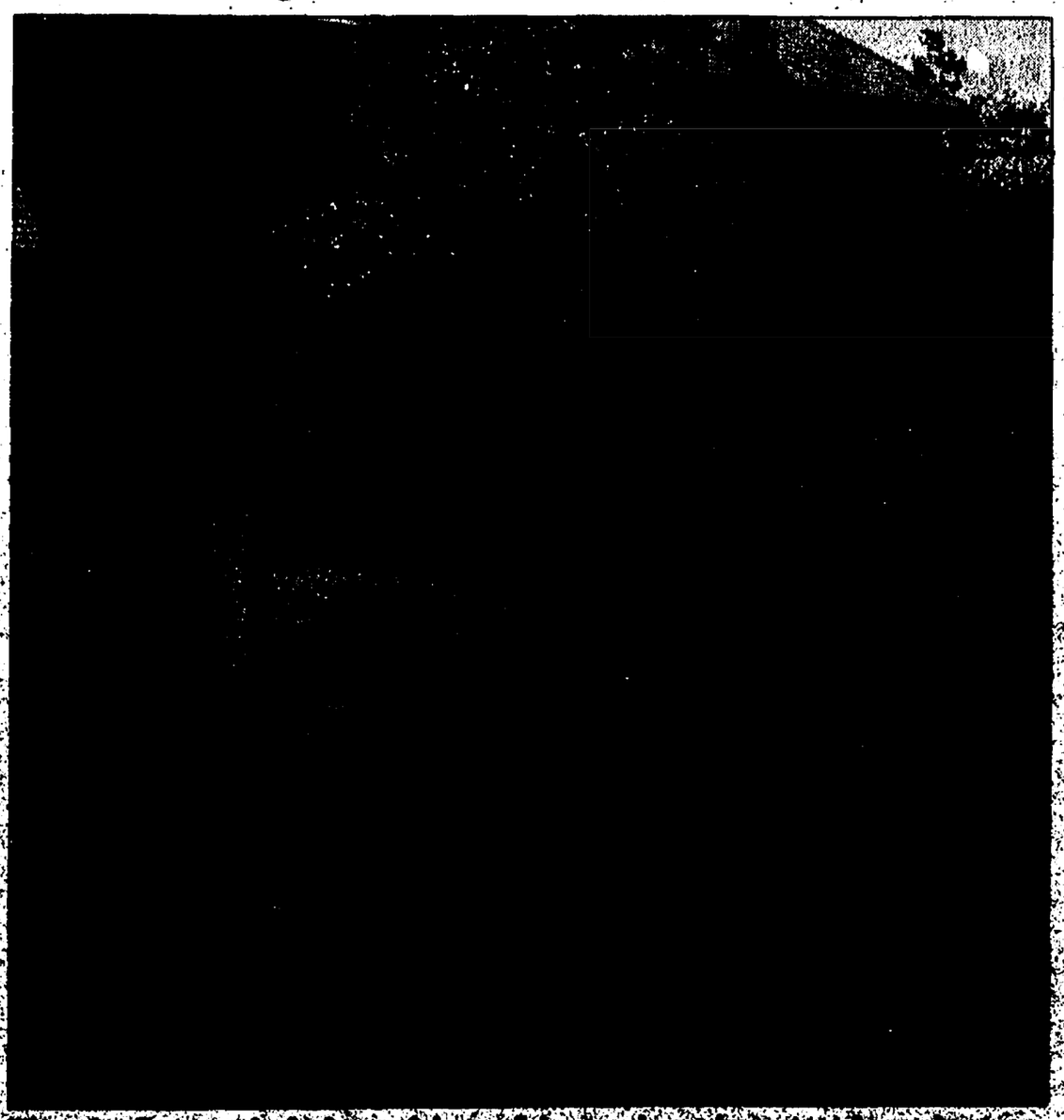

Though often overlooked, repaired driveway is an important home improvement.

Maintain your driveway for better curb appeal

With the home improvement craze, many people are putting a lot of money into sprucing up their yards. Landscaping and gardening are one homeowner pursuit that's sure to increase the curb and every day driveway.

While patios or decks are more social features of most homes, driveways are put to use 365 days a year. Still, many homeowners don't list driveways high on their home improvement priority list, which isn't good.

A driveway that's not maintained properly can eventually force homeowners to dig deep into their wallets to repair it. For residents of cold climates, water that gets through the cracks in an asphalt driveway can freeze. The resulting expansion and contraction will form leaves (microscopic upward swells in the asphalt) in the driveway's surface, leading to big gaping cracks and eventually ruining the driveway altogether.

While the consequences aren't quite as severe in warmer climates, water

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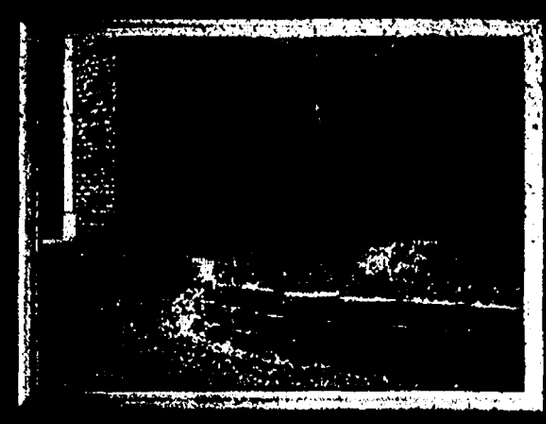

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Personalize your home's interior, exterior

Whether you've owned your home for five days or five years, it's always exciting to make changes that increase your comfort level with your dwelling.

Replacing older products in the home and making renovations can help personalize your house while adding value to the property for future resale.

"Homeowners who invest in their homes tend to get the most out of them," said James Carey, co-host of the home improvement radio show, "On the House with the Carey Brothers."

"Owning a home means more than just sweeping the sidewalk and keeping the grass mowed. A home's style and personality can change as a family grows. Making continuous investments in a house can be exciting for the homeowners while adding value to the property at the same time."

A third-generation contractor with 25 years experience, Carey recommends personalizing both the interior and exterior of a home. From his vantage point of reviewing thousands of products and projects each year, Carey offers 10 suggestions of how homeowners can personalize their homes:

Tip 1: Turn cabinets into personalized furniture for the home. Cabinetry embellishments are the secret to an elegantly appointed kitchen. Consider adding a selection of large and small scroll corbels, split turning spools, French legs or decorative rosettes to kitchen cabinetry. These pieces add an extra element of detail, texture and character to base and wall cabinets.

Tip 2: Look twice at how your friends and family enter your home. Personalize your entry door to match your home's architectural style. Add a selection of stunning decorative glass doorlites and transoms from Therma-Tru Doors to complement the entryway and fill the interior of your home with natural light.

Tip 3: Nothing sparkles like jewelry. And, for your home, you can add personality and glitter to any room with a decorative glass window from Hy-Lite. Made of swirls of colorful and obscure glass pieces entwined with brass, nickel or black leading, these non-operable windows help provide privacy in the home while adding a distinct, eye-catching feature to any room.

Tip 4: Be bold and wave goodbye to white interior walls. Add color to rooms by adding a bright accent wall of paint, a unique wallpaper design to a room or by faux finishing the walls in a hallway that connect several rooms within the home.

Tip 5: Enjoy the rich, warm look of wood on your windows with none of the maintenance hassles. Woodgrain interiors on Simonton vinyl windows are easy to maintain while adding an elegant woodgrain look to the inside of the home.

Tip 6: If you've ever dreamt of lazy

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Personalize your home by adding exterior enhancements that reflect your architectural style and preference.

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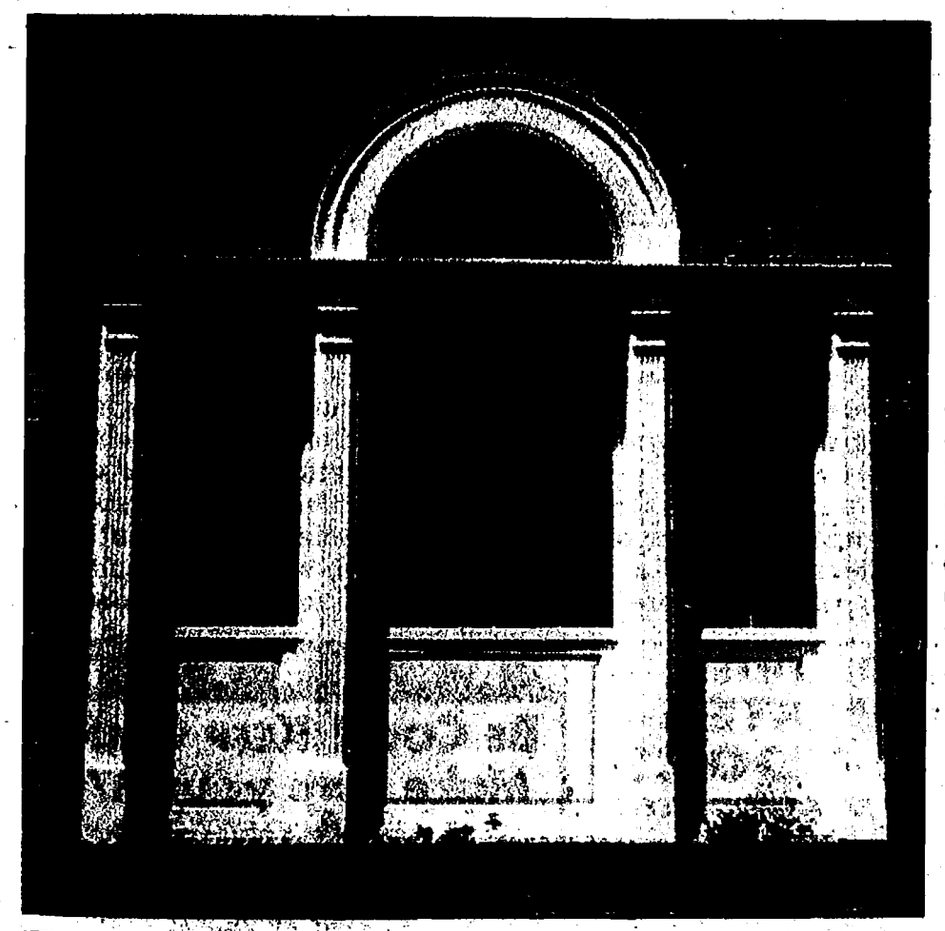

Adding window trim and pilasters around a window can significantly increase the exterior look of a home.

Exterior enhancement can be quick, easy

The importance of curb appeal can never be underrated when you own a home. Whether it's pride of ownership or fitting in with the neighborhood, the exterior of your home reflects your personality and can create positive impressions.

And, if you're selling your house, the importance of curb appeal jumps 10-fold as you try to position your home for an "instant connection" with potential buyers.

Many exterior enhancements can be achieved quickly and easily by adding synthetic products. Lightweight yet durable, low-maintenance pieces from Fypon resist insect infestations, rot, decay and moisture. Try these cost-effective upgrades to transform the look of your home:

Tip 1: Trim out exterior windows. Use crossheads for over a window and top with a solid, decorative or recessed panel keystone accent piece. On the sides and below the window, use moulding pieces with plinth blocks in the corners to eliminate miter cuts.

Tip 2: Add sparkle to your yard with a decorative lamppost that can help light up the night.

Tip 3: Top off your home with an impressive cupola. Fypon offers 25 ornamental cupolas ranging in height from about 5 feet tall to more than 7 feet tall. The base and roof support are made of cellular PVC while the sill, crown moulding and louvers are made of urethane. Featuring bell, pagoda and hipped copper roofs with the center portion options of louvers, glass or wren birdhouses.

Tip 4: Replace a rotting wooden porch system with a new structural balustrade system that includes porch posts, top and bottom rails, balusters

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Create a fun outdoor living space

Spicing up your home's outdoor living space takes more than just a few flowerpots on the patio, especially with today's outdoor trends. More homeowners are choosing to transform their outdoor space with everything from entertainment centers to elaborate kitchens.

Nearly two-thirds of architects reported an increase in demand for outdoor kitchens, decks and patios compared to one year ago, according to the 2006 American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey. They also reported spikes in homeowners opting for upscale landscaping, more outdoor amenities such as pools, tennis courts, courtyards and gazebos — and setting boundaries for their yards with fencing, walls and bushes.

"The outdoor living boom has clearly moved from being 'just a trend' to a lifestyle," said Susan McCoy, an outdoor living expert and president of the Garden Media Group. The Garden Media Group recently released its 2007 picks for spring outdoor trends.

With the increasing popularity of water-resistant furniture and appliances, practically anything goes for the great outdoors and is now built to withstand rain and temperature changes. In fact, some homeowners are even opting to place flat-panel LCD or plasma televisions outside. Some TVs even have a wireless connection and are able to communicate to indoor cable boxes or DVD players.

The most popular items homeowners say they plan to add to their outdoor spaces this year include lighting units, gas grills, mosquito eliminators, outdoor fireplaces or pits, and patio heaters, according to a national survey by the Propane Education and Research Council.

Here are some other popular outdoor trends:

• Fireplaces: Make them the centerpiece to your outdoor living space. They also can provide some heat, if necessary.

• Fountains and reflecting pools: They provide tranquility to a backyard. Add small fountains in your garden or even a small stream running throughout the yard — viewable from inside your home, too. To get a spa feel, some homeowners are even installing outdoor showers near their pool areas.

• Kitchens: Upscale gas grills or even brick pizza ovens are on the rise for fancy outdoor cooking. Some outdoor kitchens are even complete with sinks, ranges and refrigerators.

• Gardens: The Garden Media Group predicts 2007 trends will include gardens with colorful foliage plants, such as elephant ears, ornamental grasses and iresine. Small gardens are also "in," according to GMG. Squeeze a small garden on your patio or rooftop, wherever there's plenty of sunlight. Also, consider a trellis with vines to create a natural canopy for your backyard.

Whatever outdoor makeover you choose, create a seamless transition from indoor to outdoor by using architecture details, flooring, color schemes and window treatments similar to the inside of your home, suggests the American Society of Interior Designers. Then, when you head outdoors, you'll still feel right at home.

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and all the other pieces essential to create a fresh, weather-resistant porch.

Tip 2: Transform your porch ceiling by painting it a light color. Paint the ceiling of a porch, or entrance, with light blue, the color known traditionally as haint blue to ward off insects. Add a whimsical treatment on the walls.

Tip 3: Replace older, rotting wooden louvers with low-maintenance vinyl louvers. Functional louvers have a noncorrosive fiberglass screen mesh to keep insects out while allowing maximum airflow and ventilation to enter the attic.

Tip 4: Upgrade the look of your entryway by adding a new brass kickplate and polishing your door hardware.

Tip 5: Flank your windows with easy-care urethane shutters. Choose from a selection of white louvered solid panel and louvered slatted panels shutters or woodgrain plank panel shutters in two-plank, three-plank and diagonal V-style. Paint or stain the pre-primed shutters to complement any house color.

Tip 6: Add decorative columns to the exterior of your home or front porch. Urethane columns come in fluted square, serpentine, flat square and plain round square styles and are weather resistant.

Tip 7: Make your entryway more welcoming with an elegant door surround. Start with fluted pilasters on either side of the door and then top the door with a decorative pediment — try a game head, sunburst, acorn or peaked cap style.

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New paint can brighten up a room

Say goodbye to gray winter doldrums and bring the beauty of spring into your home with a luscious coat of paint chosen from the almost endless color palette available.

Nothing changes the feel of a room faster and sets off your belongings better than a bright new coat of paint.

Best of all, painting is the least expensive way to transform the rooms you live in. And with these handy tips, you can do it yourself and get professional results:

• Choose the color at your house, not in the store. Bring home color chips from the paint store. Hold the colors you like up to each wall of the room — the color will look slightly different on each wall because of light differences. The time of day also affects the hue. A yellow may look buttery at noon and almost creamy or tan in the evening.

Finally, before buying several gallons of the color you like, invest in a quart of it and paint a swatch on each wall to see how it will look. Live with it for a few days. If you still love it, then buy enough to do the job.

• Prep the room first! Protect your belongings by moving all the furniture out of the room or to the middle and cover it with plastic. Protect the carpet with drop cloths.

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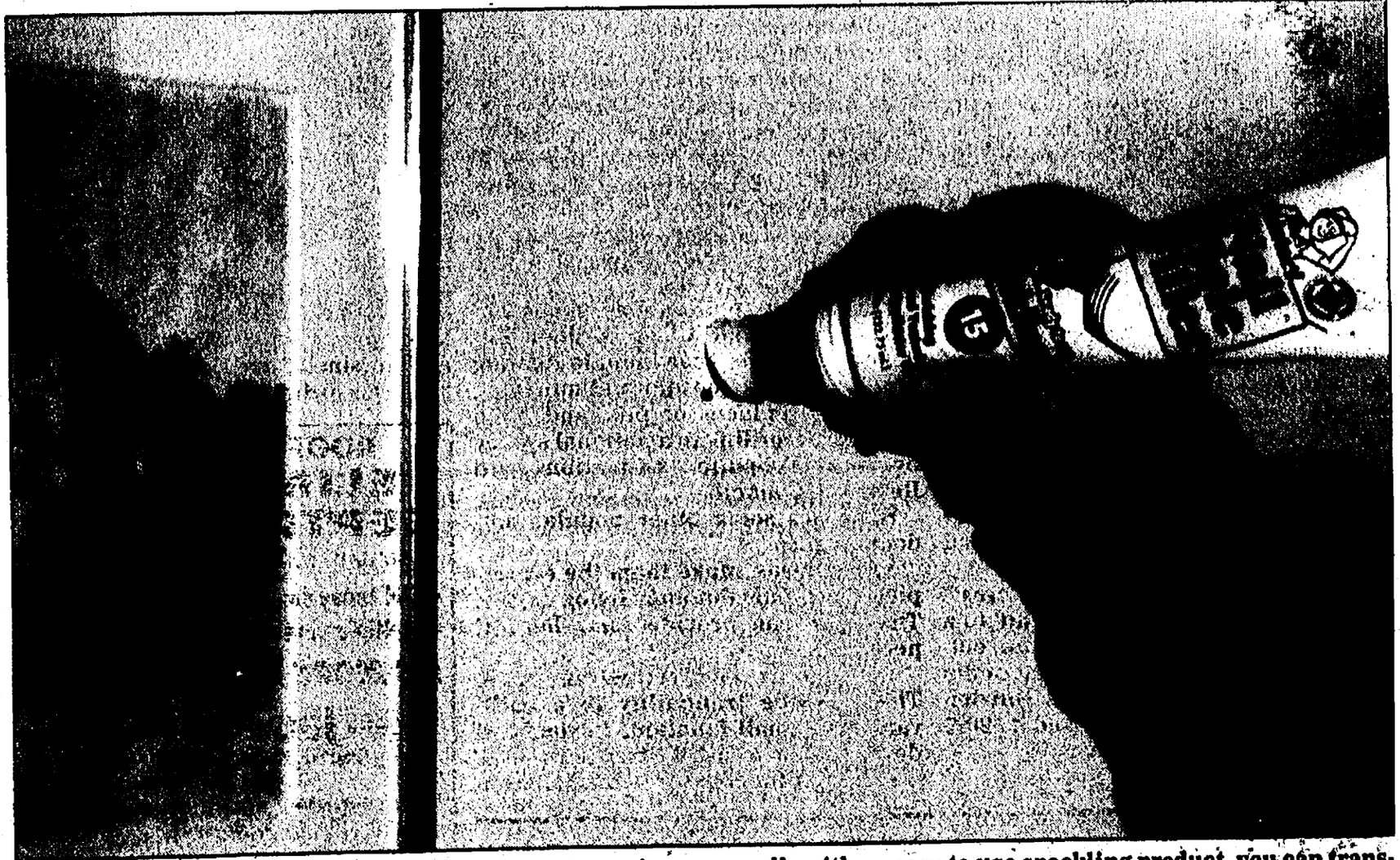

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Fix those squeaky floors this spring

One of the most noticeable and annoying flaws a home can have is squeaky floors. Whether you're sprucing up to sell your home or just trying to make it as enjoyable as possible, you'll want to rid yourself of the nuisance of squeaky floors.

Thankfully, many times fixing a squeaky floor is not all that difficult, requiring just a few basic tools and a little bit of elbow grease before the problem can be solved, and your home can go from sounding like a haunted house to a place where you can get some peace and quiet.

The first thing you'll want to do is figure out which element of your floor is doing the squeaking. This can be easily done by asking someone to walk on the squeaking floor while you watch for movement from below. Since most creaks are on the staircase, watching from below should be relatively easy.

Typically, a squeaky floor is caused by one of two things. First, there might be a gap between your joist and the subflooring. If that's the case, simply drive a glue-coated shingle between the two.

Another common cause of squeaky floors is a sagging joist where your subfloor is flat. To combat this, you can cut off a piece of a 2-by-4 to extend it 12 inches beyond the gap on both sides. Then nail the piece you cut to one side of the joist and your squeak should be gone.

While those are two of the more common solutions to fixing squeaky floors, in some instances it might be impossible for you to access your floor from below. In such cases, where the underside might be covered with a finished ceiling for instance, you can still fix a squeak — you'll just want to be more careful so your floor still looks good when you're finished.

First and foremost, drill angled pilot holes into the floor so that the wood doesn't split. Next, nail finish floor to the subfloor using ring-shank flooring nails. For cosmetic purposes, you can fill any noticeable holes above each nail with wood putty.

Your floor could be squeaking for other reasons, as well. Poor bridging, for instance, could lead to squeaks coming from between joists. Your best bet here would be to renail the loose planks and perhaps install some reinforcement bridging against the subfloor.

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summer afternoons on the front porch with a pitcher of lemonade close at hand, turn your dreams into reality with an expansive maintenance-free porch. Made of durable urethane to resist insects, rot, mildew and all forms of weather, the addition of a Fypon balustrade system can transform the look and feel of your entire home.

Tip 7: Have your family and friends help personalize your home by having a full wall in your entry foyer devoted to pictures and personal comments. Start by hanging framed pictures in a scattered array with lots of space around them. Encourage guests to view your "memory wall" and write a message to you directly on the wall.

Tip 8: Make sure that the style of your bathroom offers a soothing way to both start and end your day. Visit the Web site www.moen.com to design a new bathroom, complete with new faucets, towel bars and soap dishes. The interactive Web site helps you select sink colors, countertops, wall and cabinet finishes for a complete bathroom makeover.

Tip 9: Stand outside your house and pretend you've never been there before. Does it appear warm and welcoming? Try personalizing your home with new accessory pieces such as decorative flags, welcome mats, and planters with colorful flowers. For a positive change, invest in a new energy-efficient Fiberglas door system and trim it out with fresh new moldings.

Tip 10: If you crave more organized space and less clutter in the home, invest in cabinet organizers that make the most of unused kitchen space-inch by inch. Organization Solutions includes organization features for the inside of cabinetry from Aristokraft Cabinetry. With unique pullouts and efficient use of space, you can comfortably store and access just about everything from pots and pans to pantry items.

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extend downspouts away from the foundation.

• Clean and kill the mold and mildew with a house cleaner that contains an EPA-registered mildewcide, like JOMAX House Cleaner and Mildew Killer. JOMAX kills mold and mildew and loosens dirt and stains without scrubbing or power washing. It's specifically formulated detergent system will not damage wood, etch aluminum siding or discolor surfaces like household bleach can. And JOMAX will not harm surrounding plants, grass and shrubs.

To remove black streaks, dirt and mildew stains from asphalt shingled roofs, use JOMAX Roof Cleaner and Mildew Stain Remover. It quickly cleans and kills mold and mildew on tile, slate, metal and other non-porous roof materials.

Tip from the pros: Not sure if the black spots on your house are dirt or mold and mildew? Apply a drop of household bleach to the discolored area. If the stain disappears or lightens, it's mold and mildew.

• Prevent it from coming back. After killing the mildew, prevent it from coming back with PERMA-WHITE Mold and Mildew-Proof Exterior Paint. Guaranteed to prevent the growth of mold and mildew on the paint film for five years, this premium-quality exterior paint is also guaranteed to resist cracking, fading, peeling and blistering for 15 years after application.

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For more information on removing and preventing mold and mildew, and for other helpful home improvement tips, visit the Web site www.zinsser.com.

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Avoid the "paint around" that can lead to odd circles, streaks or drips by removing switch plates, outlets, knobs and hinges and bag each with its screws — you will be glad you did when you're ready to put them back. Use painter's tape to protect wood trim.

• Prepare the walls. One of the most important steps to a great result is preparing the walls to a clean, smooth finish. After removing all decorations, use a general all-purpose cleaner to lightly wash the dust and grime from the walls. Rinse with clean water and a sponge to make sure you've removed any soapy residue. Then fill all holes and cracks with spackling compound.

SECRETS OF SPACKLING SUCCESS

• Use the right product. Traditionally, spackling has been done using a can of spackling material and up to two putty knives. The frustrating experience of many non-professionals is that the putty has dried out since their last job and the putty knife is nowhere to be found. Also, juggling a spackling can while applying the putty is awkward and messy. Many traditional spackling products shrink as they dry, leaving a noticeable "crater" effect that will distract from the smooth, professional result you want.

However, one product has taken the hassle out of spackling by engineering the putty knife right into the container. Painter's Nail Hole Filler comes in a tube with an angled sponge-tip applicator that evens out and finishes a smooth or textured surface — no scraping or sanding required.

Unlike other spackling compounds, no tools or mixing are involved; you simply shake and knead the tube before opening and then squeeze it to bring the spackling material to the tip of the applicator. The applicator tip guides the filler into cracks, holes and nail heads and rubs the patch to a clean, smooth finish.

This filler won't dry out in the tube and never shrinks or discolors paint or wallpaper. Painter's Nail Hole Filler is designed to work on wood, stucco, wallboard and even plaster wall textures. Most normal size holes are dry and ready to paint in 12 to 15 minutes.

Whatever product you choose, be sure to clean up the hole before filling. Brush or wipe away any plaster flakes around the hole or debris in the hole so that you have a smooth surface.

• Layer the larger, deeper holes. When filling deeper and/or wider holes than the normal nail holes or small cracks, fill partially and allow the filler to set up and dry a little before adding more filler. Depending on how deep the hole, you may want to apply several layers of spackle until the hole is entirely filled. Then smooth and texture the final layer and allow the fill to completely dry before painting.

Once the prep is done, it's time to paint. Here's a neat trick. Put your paint can or roller tray in a child's wagon along with brushes, rags and other tools you might need. As you move around the room, you can just pull everything with you.

With the array of paint colors and application techniques available for today's do-it-yourself decorator, you can create a beautiful room with the perfect ambiance for you and your family.

Most home-improvement stores carry a variety of spackling products, including Painter's Nail Hole Filler.

DRIVEWAY

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that seeps through a cracked driveway in such climates will eventually cause even bigger cracks. Homeowners also need to consider the potential damage to their vehicles, as well as the likelihood of their children possibly getting hurt by playing in a poorly maintained driveway.

With all of those compelling reasons, resealing a damaged driveway should move higher up your list of fix-ups. Such a job can be performed without professional assistance by simply adhering to the following tips.

• Beware the weather: Resealing a driveway can't be done in a single day. Rather, it's a process that takes a few days to complete properly. Also, it's a job that can't be done in the rain, so make sure you check the weather and go ahead with your project when you've been assured there's no rain in the forecast.

• Clean up first: The first step of the resealing process is to clean your driveway. This can be done with a thorough sweeping or with a light sweep followed by a power-washing. Most home-improvement chains and even some grocery stores rent out power washers. Buying one would be foolish, as you won't use it nearly enough to make it worth the cost.

Once you've thoroughly swept or washed your driveway, apply an asphalt cleaner. This will remove unsightly oil spills and stains, which in addition to being an eyesore actually contribute to cracks, as well. As asphalt is a petroleum-based product, oil will soften its surface, making it easier for water to seep through.

• Fill the cracks: Once the driveway has been cleaned, it's time to fill the cracks. Before you apply any filler, however, it's best to undercut any cracks so you can widen the base. That way, when you apply the filler a wider crack at the base will allow the filler to be anchored, making it stronger at the surface.

Once that's been done, make sure you overfill the crack, and then smooth out whatever's left on the surface. (Note: For especially deep cracks, fill them nearly to the surface with sand before applying any filler.) This is akin to caulking a shower, and in fact some fillers actually come with an applicator very similar to a caulking gun.

• Fix and holes: Holes in the driveway, which are more of an eyesore than an actual problem, can be fixed with cold patch, a substance sold at most home-improvement stores. Made up of asphalt that's been premixed with aggregate, cold patch should be packed tightly into each hole and then allowed to settle overnight.

• Start resealing: Once you're ready to reseal, it's especially important that the weather forecast isn't calling for rain. To be effective, sealer needs to dry thoroughly. Different sealers require different tools, so whichever type you choose, make sure you have the right tools to apply the sealer.

Once you've finished and the sealer has dried, your driveway will be as good as new. And, more importantly, you'll have significantly improved your property at very little cost.

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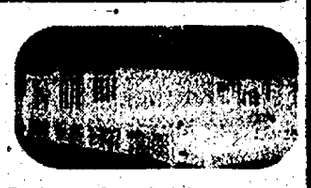

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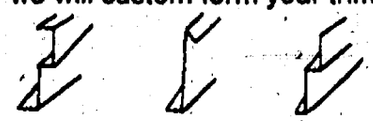

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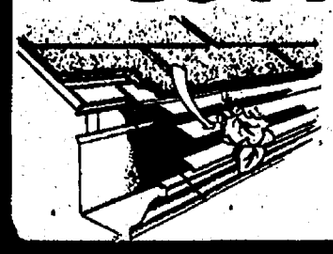

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Water Street project reaches back 20 years

Project Begins
1980s

Ypsilanti's Economic Development Corporation first targets the Water Street Project, but lack of funds prevents work from starting.

1999

Groundwork is laid for the project when Environmental Protection Agency awards City with $7 million in grants and loans.

2001

Biltmore Properties wins first bid as the project's developer.

Demolition begins
May 2003

Asbestos abatement and other preliminary work done to clear the way for actual destruction of the buildings.

Homrich Inc. hired by the city to demolish 170 E. Michigan Ave., 20 E. Michigan Ave., 32 Water Street and 40 Water Street.

Water Street plans aired
July 2003

Biltmore Properties announces plans not to include commercial store-front space in its development plan.

Planners decide not to include commercial space because it might have a negative impact on existing downtown.

The future of Water Street

Ypsilanti City Manager Ed Koryzno has said he plans to issue a request for interest to develop the project, a similar process approved by City Council before Joseph Freed and Associates first showed interest in the Water Street project.

Despite failed development agreements with Biltmore and Freed, city officials are optimistic that Water Street will fulfill its potential as a downtown destination area.

A $378,000 bond payment is due in Nov. 2009 and two more debt repayments are due the following year totaling $1 million. Repayment is set to expire in 2031.

The city estimates spending another $1 to 2 million to get the property ready to develop.

The city is working to have another $1 million to spend on demolition and remediation for the sight.

City lands grant, acquires land
October 2003

State Sen. Liz Brater, D-Ann Arbor, and State Rep. Ruth Ann Jamnick, D-Ypsilanti announce the city will receive a $300,000 Community Development Block Grant.

The grant is to be used for environmental studies, engineering, design, relocation expenses, legal and property management costs.

The new grant brings the total amount of block grants for the project to $3.05 million.

The city has acquired 24 of the 36 properties in the project area and initiates the process to take the remaining 12 through eminent domain.

More demolition, acquisition
January 2004

Jackie's Transport Inc. hired by the city to demolish buildings from 2 to 14 E. Michigan Ave. and 2 to 4 and 27 to 41 Water Street.

A hearing is set in Washtenaw County Circuit Court on the public necessity of taking the land by eminent domain. The city acquires the properties.

Higher environment fees
Fall 2004

Demolition of buildings and initial soil remediation reveals soil contamination much greater, and reached several feet farther down, than had been anticipated.

Exit Biltmore Properties
December 2004

Ypsilanti ends negotiations with the Biltmore Properties Corporation on the Water Street Project.

Allocation of costs and responsibilities associated with the environmental issues, and Biltmore wanting only to develop the residential portions of the project cited as reasons for city ending negotiations.

City anticipates submitting a request for a new developer in January or February of 2005.

Settlement reached
July 2005

The city pays Biltmore $725,000

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The great Freighthouse

Building in disrepair, funds sought for renovations

Renovation plans to Ypsilanti's historic Freighthouse are progressing as the organization dedicated to preserving the structure recently submitted a $65,000 repair project to the State Historic Preservation Office.

The Friends of the Ypsilanti Freighthouse are requesting a $35,000 grant from the state which will be matched by locally raised funds. The funding will go toward immediate repairs needed for the aging building including structural problems, repairs to the wooden deck surrounding the building and repairing water damage to the foundation.

Brian Vosburg, director of the city and Depot Town Downtown Development Authorities, said regrading and resloping soil, so that water drains away from the building, was a significant repair item cited in the recently completed Conditional Assessment Report.

"We are going to take care of a lot of the water issues damaging the structure," Vosburg said.

Earlier this year, City Council earmarked a little more than $53,000 for the report and repair of a structural beam.

The study was required by the State Historic Preservation Office, which issued a $25,000 grant for renovations in Feb. 2005.

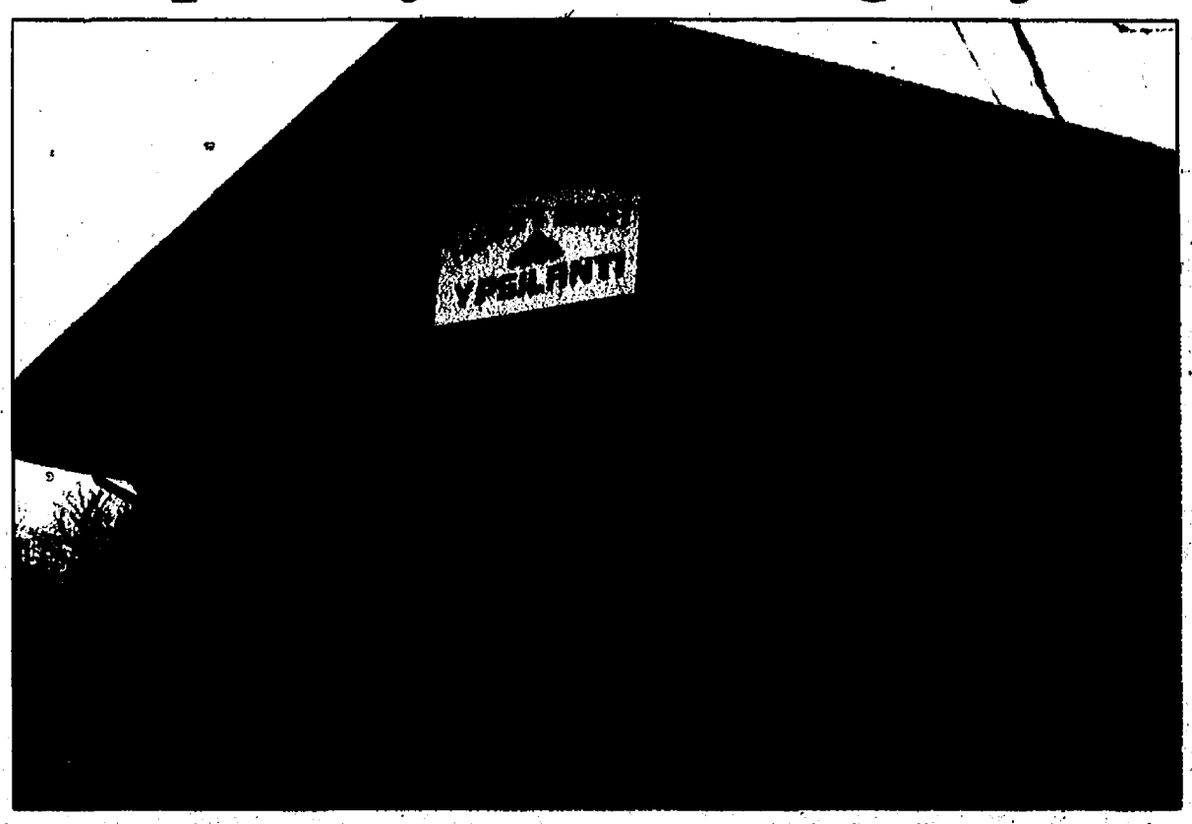
The conditional assessment is regarded as the master plan for the future of the Freighthouse, but repairs to the foundation and acquiring the $65,000 in repair funds are only the beginning as the entire project is estimated at about $1.5 million, according to Vosburg.

In a previous interview, head of the Friends of the Ypsilanti Freighthouse, Leslie Chace, said she is confident the repair funds will be raised.

"It's a very old building in need of major renovation," she said.

"I have seen this kind of thing funded (before). There was one building that was being turned into offices, so it's a slightly different use, but the issue is – how important is it to the community that the Freighthouse be reopened?"

While $25,000 has been raised so far by the Friends organization, through various fund raisers, further fund-raising efforts, grant applications and promotion will be headed by the Community Development Corporation, a group that originated from the Depot Town DDA.



Officials need local fund raising and state grants in order to renovate the historic Depot Town Freighthouse.

The corporation has identified the Freighthouse project as one of its top priorities, Vosburg said.

"It's one of the major pieces of the puzzle."

Vosburg said the DDA and the Friends organization will be meeting soon to discuss the status of the project.

"We're going to work with the Community Development Corporation to develop a fund-raising plan for the rest of the money that's needed," he said.

"Little by little well get there."

City officials have shown support for establishment of the corporation, which mostly focuses attention on Depot Town projects.

In a recent letter, Recreation Director John Weiss said a Community Development Corporation might just be the answer everyone's looking for concerning residential programs and projects.

"...a CDC may be the very kind of association that could provide us the resources and organization to seriously address many challenges.

"Our mission is to 'seek sustainable alternatives and methods for making recreational programming available to the citizens of Ypsilanti.' Over the past three and a half years, a majority of our efforts have been focused on supporting 'friends' groups that have helped to maintain recreation at the City's four main recreation facilities," Weiss wrote.

"During this time we have struggled to develop strategies to help make recreation programming sustainable into the future. A CDC, like the one being proposed by the Depot Town Association, could be the perfect way to help coordinate the resources and provide the organization to support sustainable solutions."

The history

The city of Ypsilanti purchased the 125-year-old Depot Town landmark, originally built alongside the railroad tracks to handle freight for the Michigan Central Railroad, in 1979.

For more than 20 years, the Freighthouse was the location for the the Ypsilanti Farmer's Market.

In 2004, the city closed the building, both because their insurers feared the building's collapse and had withdrawn coverage and because the city did not have money to pay for needed capital improvements or ongoing maintenance.

The non-profit Friends of the Ypsilanti Freighthouse stepped in and took over the management of the Freighthouse in January 2005.

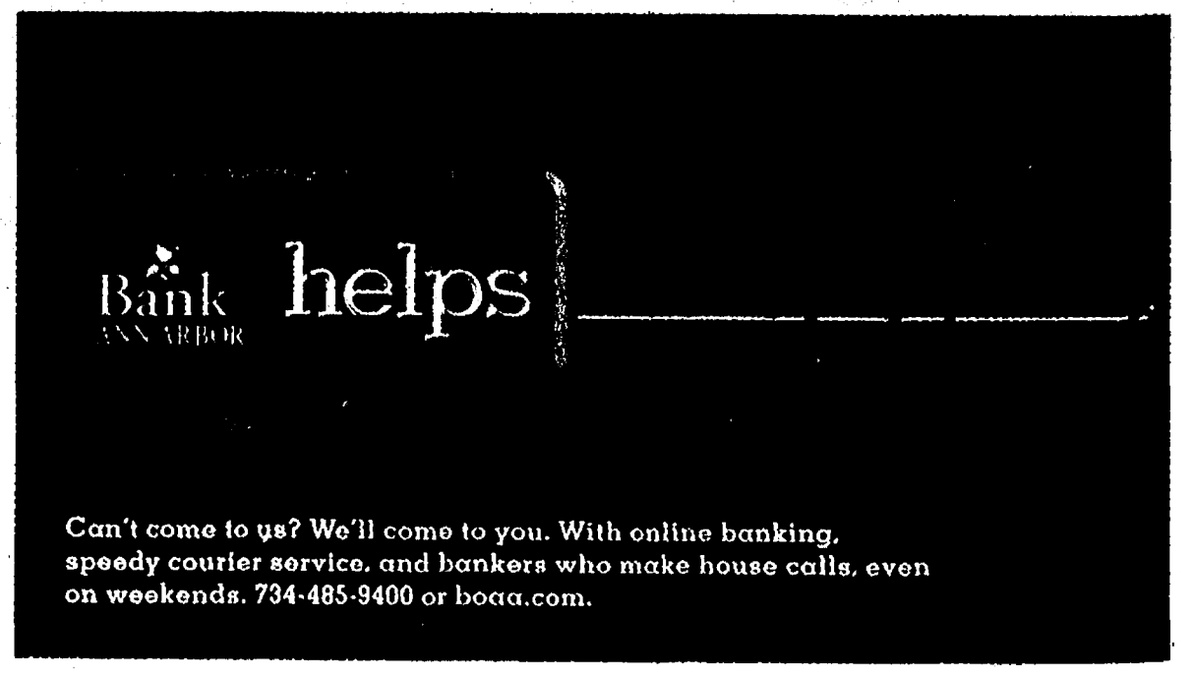
The building was recently opened, to act as a café for festival-goers, for the 2006 Ypsilanti Heritage Festival. In order to get permission from the City Inspector's office to open the building, a failed support beam under the floor was replaced and minor code-related repairs were completed.

Chace said the community will pull together to reopen the Freighthouse.

"We have lots of community support," Chace said.

"Ypsilanti is renowned for its historic district and historic buildings. The Freighthouse is a unique part of that. There's a strong interest in preserving it. It's an integral part of the city and the community at large."

Staff Writer Dan DuChene contributed to this story



State of the city

Editor's Note: The following is the annual State of the City address delivered by Mayor Paul Schreiber. Schreiber discusses the economic challenges facing the city of Ypsilanti and highlights special events and happenings throughout last year. For more information, visit the Web site www.cityofypsilanti.com

Ypsilanti neighbors and friends,

The state of Ypsilanti is strong although the city remains financially challenged.

Community spirit in the city of Ypsilanti is thriving. Two successful Shadow Art Fairs in July and December showcased alternative artistic talent in the region. Both events were hosted at the new and hugely popular Corner Brewery at the site of the former Motor Wheel office building.

Distributor G. W. Kent moved into the vacant Exemplar building near I-94 during the summer.

The sale of the Historical Museum in September to the Historical Society will preserve a treasured community asset for generations to come.

The YpsiVotes group sponsored a mayoral forum in July that drew approximately 250 people and a downtown business development forum in November that drew 100 people.

PAUL SCHREIBER

The Friends of the Rutherford Pool had another successful summer season providing affordable swimming for the community. The Friends of the Senior Citizens Center held numerous fund-raisers, including the Rock-a-thon in April, to keep senior programming alive. Mr. John Barfield, a local businessman who grew up playing at the Parkridge Community Center, stepped up to provide funding to keep the Parkridge center open for youth in the Gateway community. The Friends of the Ypsilanti Freight House prepared a condition assessment report that will enable the group to apply for renovation grants and funding.

The recent tragic fire that displaced five families and claimed the lives of three children at Paradise Manor public housing drew a quick response from our public safety mutual aid network.

The network included the city of Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Charter Township, Pittsfield Charter Township, Superior Township, Washtenaw County and Eastern Michigan University. Support services and donation centers were sponsored by Washtenaw County, the Washtenaw County Red Cross, Ypsilanti Public Schools, the Paradise Manor Emergency Response Team, the Charter Bank Fund, Aubree.s Saloon, and countless other individuals. Humanitarian efforts like these are among the reasons people like living in the city of Ypsilanti.

Financial challenges

Ypsilanti, however, is facing a dire financial crisis.

Since 2002, state revenue sharing funds to the city have decreased. Property tax revenues are capped at or below the rate of inflation. Costs have risen faster than inflation.

The largest employer in Ypsilanti, Eastern Michigan University, does not pay taxes. The city's second largest employer, ACH (formerly Visteon), will close in 2008.

Heavy industries like Motor Wheel and Exemplar have left the city, along with their personal property tax revenues. Cost savings, service cuts, a tax revenue increase, or a combination of all of these are necessary to balance the city budget.

Cost savings

Regional cooperation between the city and surrounding townships can provide cost savings in some instances. The city of

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Thompson block renovation scheduled

Some residents look at the northeast corner of River and Cross streets and see a big, baby blue eyesore; others see potential.

Stewart Beal, president of Beal Properties, said restoration to the Thompson Building will be complete by May 1, 2008. He unveiled plans to restore the building last week to a 150-member audience.

"The loft residents will move in then," Beal said. "Restaurants and shops could open slightly sooner or later depending on their own timing."

He said the 11,200 square feet on the first floor of the building will be rented to about 10 retailers and merchants. The second and third floor, a combined 16,700 square feet, will be converted to about 16 loft apartments priced at $800-$1,200 a month.

After years of disrepair, the building now is in poor condition inside and outside. Buckling floorboards, graffiti across several walls and sagging ceilings will all need to be repaired, Beal said.

Beal plans to invest $4 million into renovating and restoring the 146-year-old building. Construction, he said, will start within the next two months.

A 23-year-old Ypsilanti resident, Beal graduated from Eastern Michigan University in the summer. He owns 15 properties in downtown Detroit, helped renovate the Kresge Building in downtown Ypsilanti and acquired the Thompson Building in 2005, after becoming the building's receiver.

Local landlord David Kircher purchased the Thompson building, a former Civil War barracks, in 1967. Kircher was sued by the city in 2002 over the condition of the building, alleging his property was in violation of the State Fire Prevention Act as well as several local building codes and ordinances.

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Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township and Superior Township have started to discuss a combined waste collection contract that could save up to 10 percent.

The Ypsilanti Police Department is providing excellent service that is tailored to the needs of the community at a good price.

Tax revenue increase

The state of Michigan allows its cities to levy only property taxes and income taxes. The Ypsilanti property tax is within 1 mil of the statutory limit. Redevelopment of Water Street and other business locations will not provide a property tax revenue increase to close the city budget gap. Even if development at Water Street started today, increased tax revenues would be deferred for years.

The only option for significantly increasing Ypsilanti tax revenue is a city income tax. The income tax is fairer than the property tax because it is based on ability to pay rather than time of purchase and value of property.

Social Security, insurance, annuities, pensions and retirement benefits would not be subject to income tax. An income tax would also generate tax revenue from Eastern Michigan to compensate the city for the fire protection it provides the university.

The City Council has set a goal of placing an income tax question on the ballot in August or November of this year. City Council only has the power to put an income tax question on the ballot. The voters have the power to enact or reject it.

In summary, the city of Ypsilanti will survive its fiscal crisis with the same community spirit that was on display after the Paradise Manor fire. Ypsilanti will continue its transformation from a twentieth-century industrial city to a twenty-first century urban city with a strong cultural edge.

But the question we must ask ourselves is. What will the city of Ypsilanti look like in the future and what services will it provide to its residents?

Paul Schreiber
• Mayor, city of Ypsilanti

After years of disrepair to the buildings that stand along River Street in Depot Town, local developer Stewart Beal plans on renovating the aging structures.

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for the information it had acquired during negotiations which, according to the city, cost Biltmore over $1.4 million.

Grant money used to fund agreed payment.

No response from city's RFP
August 2005

Deadline for new RFP process ends with no developers responding. Three developers still interested in working on the project.

A developer selection committee is formed to review developer qualifications and report findings to city manager.

Enter Freed, bonds refinanced
April 2006

City Council selects Joseph Freed and Associates as its preferred developer for Water Street.

At the same meeting, City Council approves restructuring $13.1 million bond debt to avoid payments in coming months. This raises the debt to $17 million.

City dips into general fund
May 2006

City Council approves spending $205,000 to Biltmore Properties to pay for information the company had acquired during its negotiations with the city.

This is the first Water Street-related cost paid using the City's general fund.

Second general fund approval
October 2006

City Council approves another $100,000 from general fund for Water Street.

The money will be used to pay for any legal and environmental consulting fees associated with Water Street. The city was using a federal grant to pay for such costs, but the money is now depleted.

Brownfield Plan
November 2006

County approves city's Brownfield Plan for Water Street. The plan lays out plans for development, costs for development and how those costs will be repaid.

Cost to bring land up to state environmental standards is estimated at $3.7 million. An additional $3.8 million is predicted as the cost to demolish existing buildings, update infrastructure and shape land.

An additional $15.7 million is budgeted for financing, operative and administrative costs.

Freed backs out
December 2006

Joseph Freed and Associates decide to pull out of negotiations to develop Water Street.

Company cites poor market for the decision, but says its still interested in working with Ypsilanti.

Mayor Paul Schreiber says a committee will be formed to process and handle the news

Community meeting
February 2007

Ypsilanti's Planning Department holds community meeting to discuss the Water Street Project. The topic of the meeting was to ask residents if the city could be more flexible with the development of the land.

It is announced at the meeting that the city has spent $21.5 million for acquisition of the property, demolition of some buildings and some soil remediation. After several years of repayment, the city expects that total will probably double after fees and interest from the bonds and loans.

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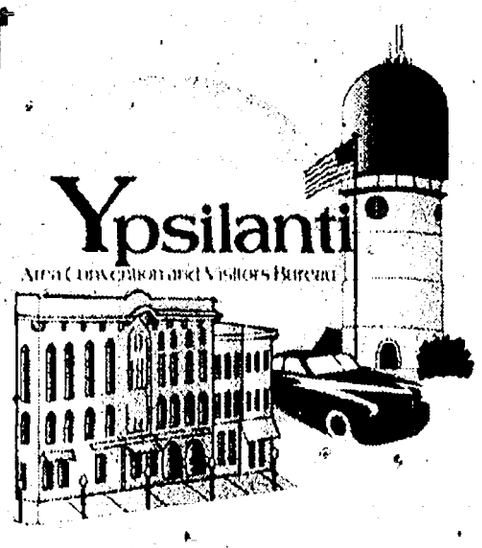

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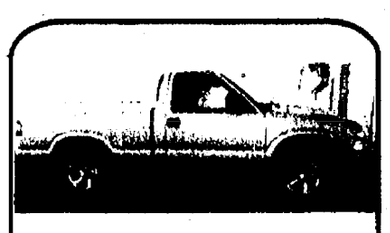

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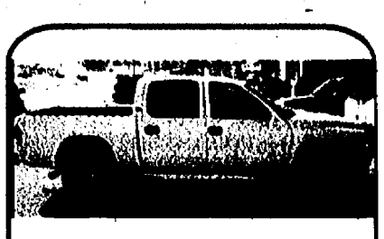

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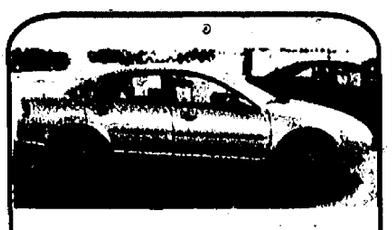

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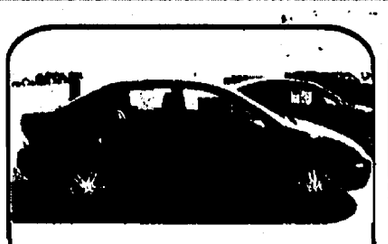

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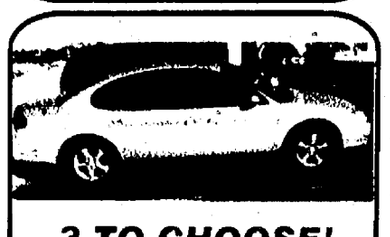

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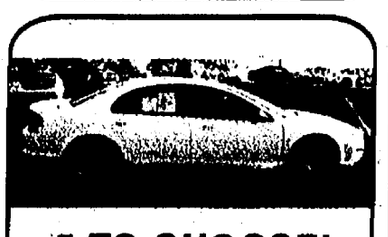

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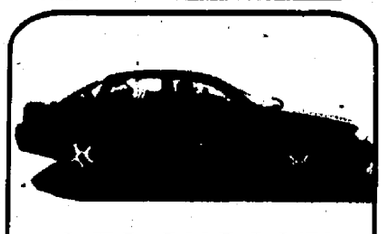

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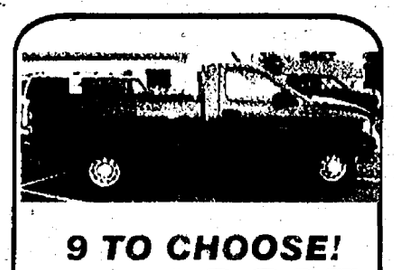
'03 - '06 CHEVY IMPALAS



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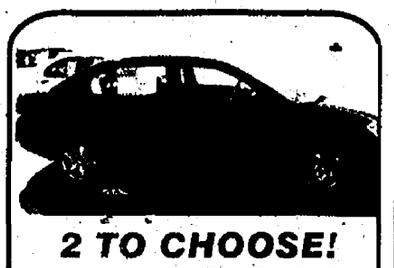
'99 - '04 DODGE RAMS



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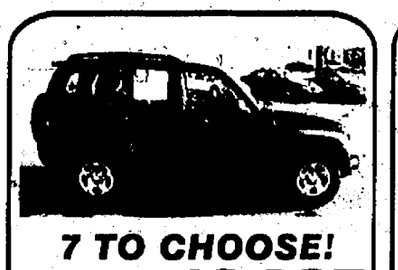

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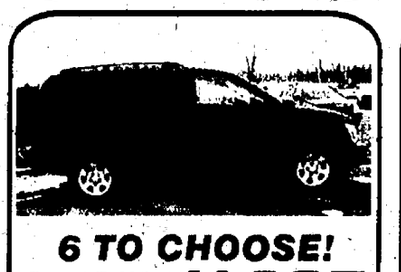
'02-'05 LIBERTY 4x4s



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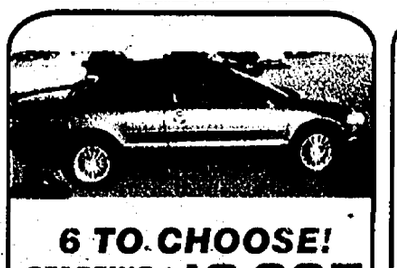

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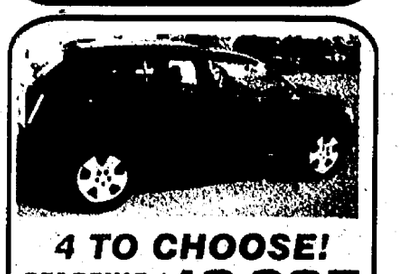

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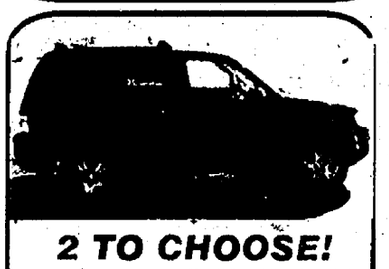

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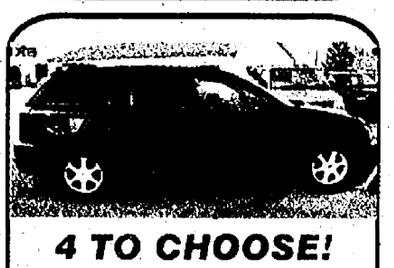

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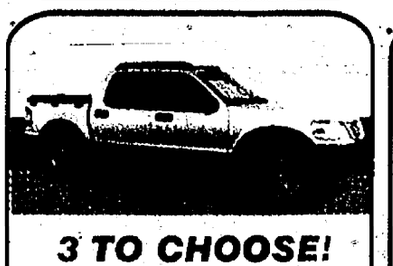

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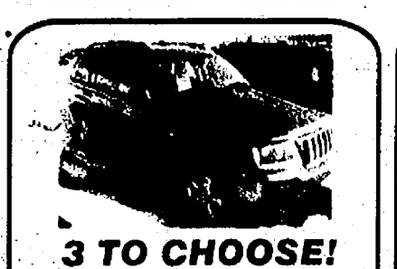

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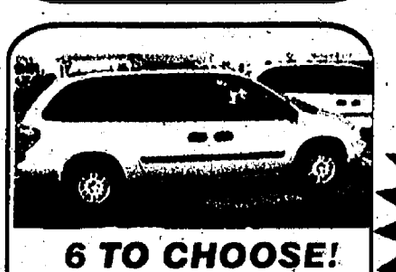
'02 - '05 GRAND CHEROKEES



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Close-Outs!

$AVE THOUSANDS!

NEW CARS AT USED CAR PRICES!

2006 PT CRUISER TOURING EDITION

M.S.R.P. $17,993

GENERAL PUBLIC

$13,223

CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE

$11,851

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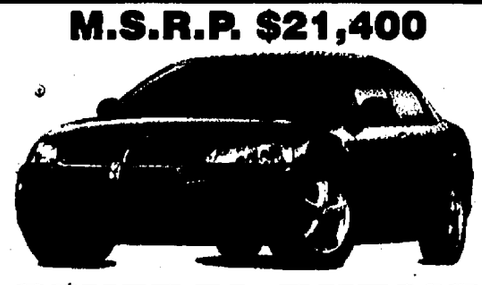
M.S.R.P. $21,400



GENERAL PUBLIC

$15,225

CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE

$13,725

2006 CHRYSLER 300 TOURING ED.

M.S.R.P. $31,574

GENERAL PUBLIC

$25,179

CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE

$22,879

2006 DODGE RAM 2500 QUAD CAB DIESEL 4x4

M.S.R.P. $43,215

GENERAL PUBLIC

$29,515

CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE

$28,915

VEHICLE	M.S.R.P.	ADRIAN DISCOUNT	REBATES	NET GENERAL PUBLIC PRICE	ADDITIONAL E.P. DISC.	NET EMPLOYEE PRICE
'06 DAKOTA CLUB CAB SLT	$23,880	$2,200	$6,500	$14,535	$1,500	$13,035
'06 PT CRUISER CONVERTIBLE	$22,045	$900	$4,000	$16,505	$1,500	$15,005
'06 JEEP LIBERTY 4x4 - DEMO!	$25,080	$2,100	$5,500	$16,820	$1,600	$15,220
'06 RAM 1500 SLT 4x4	$31,190	$3,600	$8,500	$18,190	$2,300	$15,890
'06 DODGE MAGNUM	$27,345	$3,900	$4,000	$18,770	$2,200	$16,570
'06 LIBERTY LIMITED 4x4	$28,420	$2,000	$6,000	$19,760	$1,700	$18,060
'06 RAM 2500 SLT 4x4	$32,545	$3,408	$6,000	$22,237	$2,700	$19,537
'06 CHRYSLER 300C HEMI	$34,770	$2,500	$4,000	$27,595	$2,700	$24,895
'06 CHRYSLER SRT-8 HEMI	$47,200	$3,500	$4,000	$39,025	$3,400	$35,625

ATTN: DCX EMPLOYEES & ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBERS

SAVE AT Dave's

'07 DODGE CARAVAN

$78 * 27 MONTH E-PLAN LEASE

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DARE TO COMPARE @ YOUR FULL LINE DEALER, OFFERING ONE STOP SHOPPING AND HUGE SAVINGS!

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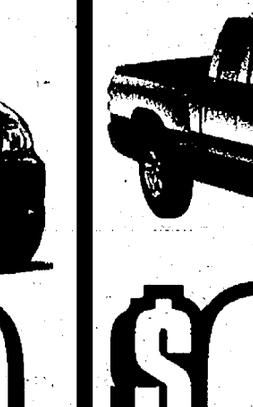

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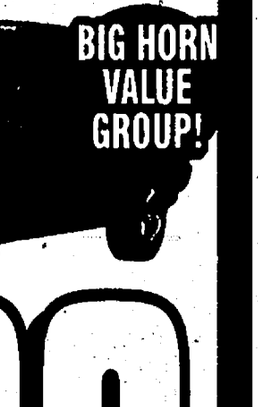

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RAGU PASTA SAUCE
Selected Varieties
16 - 26.3 oz.
$1.00
LIMIT 4 per customer with $15 additional purchase

SAVE UP TO 99¢

MINUTE MAID CHILLED ORANGE JUICE
Selected Varieties
64 oz.
$2.00
LIMIT 2 per customer with $15 additional purchase

SAVE UP TO $1.25

SARGENTO CHEESE SHREDDS
Selected Varieties
8 oz.
$1.00
LIMIT 4 per customer with $15 additional purchase

SAVE UP TO $1.39

BANQUET BOXED CHICKEN
Selected Varieties
12 - 16.2 oz.
2/$3
LIMIT 4 per customer with $15 additional purchase

SAVE UP TO $2.86 ON 2

USDA Choice **T-BONE STEAK**
$5.99 LB.
SAVE UP TO $4.50/lb.

Premium Standard Farms All Natural Pork **PORK SHOULDER ROAST**
$1.19 LB.
SAVE UP TO $1.00/lb.

Idaho **RUSSET POTATOES**
10 lb. Bag
$1.98

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DOUBLE COUPONS

You can get DOUBLE COUPON SAVINGS this week at Polly's Country Market. Bring in your manufacturers' "50¢ OFF" or less coupons and get double the savings (Not to include retailer, cigarette/tobacco products, Polly's Country Market Coupons, free or coupons exceeding the item value). You must purchase the products in sizes and quantities specified. Limit one coupon for any particular item. Additional coupons for identical items will be redeemed at face value.

We reserve the right to limit quantities. Some items not exactly as pictured. Not responsible for typographical errors

FRESH VALUES FOR SPRING!

KELLOGG'S BREAKFAST BARS
4.62 - 4.87 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3.50

KELLOGG'S & GENERAL MILLS CEREALS
Special K With Chocolate 13.4 oz., Frosted Bite Size Mini Wheats 24 oz., Special K Berry 12 oz., Special K Vanilla Almond 14 oz., Special K Fruit & Yogurt 12.8 oz., Special K 12 oz., Special K Low Carb 13.5 oz., Cookie Crisp 12.2 oz., Chocolate Cookie Crisp 13.4 oz., Cheerios 18 oz. Total 12 oz., Fruity Cheerios 11.5 oz.
$2.00

QUAKER RICE CAKES
4.5 - 7.23 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3

LOG CABIN SYRUP
24 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$5

CAMPBELL'S CHUNKY SOUPS
18.8 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3

MARZETTI DRESSINGS
16 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3

RED GOLD TOMATOES
14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties
3/$4.95

PILLAR ROCK PINK SALMON
14.75 oz.
2/$3

IT'S RAINING DAIRY SAVINGS

BAREMAN'S LOW FAT MILK
Gallon
1/2%, 1%, Fat Free
$2.00

BAREMAN'S SOUR CREAM & CHIP DIP
16 oz.
Selected Varieties
$1.00

SUNNY DELIGHT
64 oz.
Selected Varieties
$1.00

YOPLAIT YOGURT
4 - 6 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$1

FRESH CUT PRICES!

HI-C & MINUTE MAID DRINK BOXES
10 Pk.
Selected Varieties
4/$7

CHICKEN OF THE SEA & STARKIST CHUNK LIGHT TUNA
6 oz.
In Oil or Water
2/$1

HEINZ KETCHUP
46 oz.
$2.00

CAMPBELL'S TOMATO & CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP
10.7 - 10.75 oz.
2/$1

SAVE UP TO $2.00 on 2

PILLSBURY OR DUNCAN HINES CAKE MIX
18.2 - 18.25 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$4.50

SAVE $2.58 on 2

KELLOGG'S FRUIT SNACKS
4.8 - 9 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3

SAVE $1.50 on 2

DEL MONTE FRUIT CUPS
4 Pk.
Selected Varieties
2/$3.50

SAVE $3.68 on 2

NESQUIK POWDER DRINK
16 - 21.8 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$5.50

BEST BLOOMIN' FROZEN DEALS

SAVE UP TO 75¢

LEAN CUISINE SALE
6 - 11.5 oz.
Selected Varieties
3/$6

SAVE $1.70 on 2

ORE IDA FROZEN POTATOES
20 - 32 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3

SAVE $2.48 on 2

FRESCHETTA PREMIUM FROZEN PIZZA
18.15 - 29.64 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$7.50

SAVE $3.50 on 2

PILLSBURY, KEMPS, CARIBOU ICE CREAM
56 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$5.50

USDA Choice Meats at Low, Low Prices

SAVE UP TO $4.30 LB.

USDA Choice
PORTERHOUSE STEAK
$6.29 LB.

SAVE UP TO $1.00 LB.

Premium Standard All Natural Pork
PORK STEAK
Family Pack
$1.99 LB.

SAVE UP TO 80¢ LB.

Premium Standard All Natural Pork
WESTERN STYLE PORK RIBS
$1.99 LB.

SAVE UP TO $3.00 LB.

"Pork" The Other White Meat
BABY BACK RIBS
$3.49 LB.

SAVE UP TO 70¢ LB.

USDA Choice Beef
SIRLOIN TIP ROAST
$2.99 LB.

SAVE UP TO 80¢ LB.

USDA Choice Beef
BONELESS SIRLOIN TIP STEAK
Family Pack
$3.19 LB.

SAVE UP TO $1.00 LB.

USDA Choice
BONELESS CHUCK ROAST
$2.29 LB.

SAVE UP TO $1.00 LB.

USDA Choice
BONELESS CHUCK STEAK
Family Pack
$2.49 LB.

SAVE UP TO 50¢ LB.

Fresh Ground
GROUND CHUCK FROM BEEF
$2.19 LB.

SAVE UP TO $3.00 LB.

USDA Choice American Lamb
LAMB LOIN CHOPS
$5.99 LB.

Deli

Amish
APPLES & RAISINS
$2.99 LB.

ECKRICH HAM
Virginia or Honey
$3.99 LB.

BREWSTER SWISS CHEESE
$4.19 LB.

SANDRIDGE FOUR BEAN SALAD
$2.99 LB.

OLD WISCONSIN SNACK TRAYS
Pepperoni, Beef, Turkey
$4.99 10 OZ.

DeLallo

Premium Meats, No MSG, No Artificial color or additives

DELALLO MUENSTER CHEESE
$3.99 LB.

DELALLO GOLD TURKEY BREAST
Selected Varieties
$4.99 LB.

PRINCE OMAR HUMMUS
Selected Varieties
$1.99 8 OZ.

PRINCE OMAR PITA CHIPS
Selected Varieties
$1.99 7 OZ.

Boar's Head

Available at Chelsea, Dexter, Saline, Adrian-W. Maumee, Brooklyn & Ferguson

BOAR'S HEAD BACON
$4.99 1 LB.

BOAR'S HEAD BLACK FOREST HAM & TURKEY
$6.49 LB.

BOAR'S HEAD PROVOLONE CHEESE
$4.99 LB.

Fresh Seafood

All Polly's/Country Market Seafood is U.S.D.A. & HACCP Inspected

SAVE UP TO $2.00 LB.

BONELESS RUBY TROUT FILLET
$6.49 LB.

SAVE UP TO $2.00 LB.

Wild Caught
LAKE SMELT
$3.59 LB.

SAVE UP TO $1.00 LB.

Wild Caught
WHITE PERCH FILLET
$3.99 LB.

SAVE UP TO $1.30 LB.

Wild Caught
FLOUNDER FILLETS
$6.59 LB.

Fresh Chicken

Amish Country Natural Chicken EVERY DAY LOW PRICING!

SKINLESS, SPLIT CHICKEN BREAST
$2.39 LB.

BONELESS CHICKEN THIGHS
$2.39 LB.

CHICKEN GIZZARDS
$1.29 LB.

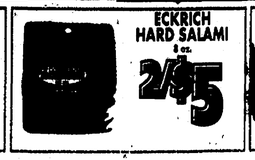
CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS
89¢ LB.

FRANK'S KRAUT
32 oz.
$1.99

CUMBERLAND GAP ROPE SMOKED SAUSAGE
3 lb.
$5.99

OUR FAMILY LUNCHMEATS
Selected Varieties
12 oz.
2/$5

ECKRICH VARIETY PACK
16 oz.
2/$5



ECKRICH HARD SALAMI
8 oz.
2/$5

Individually Quick Frozen
ORANGE ROUGHY FILLETS
per pound
$6.99

Individually Quick Frozen Farm Raised China
TILAPIA FILLETS
per pound
$2.49

ECKRICH L MEAT FRANKS
Selected Varieties
Excludes Beef or Cheese
16 oz.
4/$5

CARL BUDDIG THIN SLICED MEATS
Selected Varieties
2 - 2.5 oz.
2/$1

HORMEL BLACK LABEL BACON
Selected Varieties
1 lb.
2/$6

IT'S RAINING SNACKS & BEVERAGE BARGAINS!

PEPSI-COLA PRODUCTS
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans or 8 Pk. 16.9 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
2/$7 + Dep.

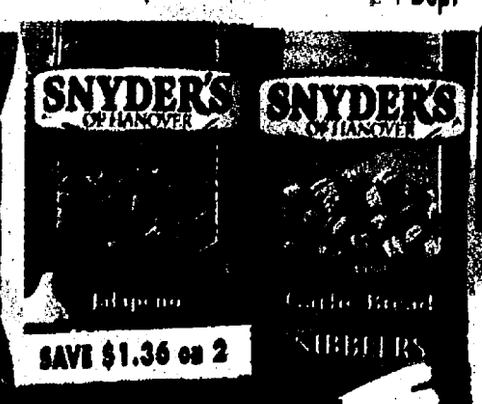
7-UP PRODUCTS
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
2/$6.50 + Dep.

FAYGO PRODUCTS
2 Liter Bottles
Selected Varieties
5/$4 + Dep.

COCA-COLA PRODUCTS
8 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
2/$5.50 + Dep.

AQUAFINA WATER
6 Pk. 16.9 oz. Bottles
Flavor Splash, Sparkling or Regular
Selected Varieties
4/$7

FRITO LAY LAYS POTATO CHIPS
13.25 - 13.75 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3.50



SNYDER'S OF HANOVER FLAVORED PRETZELS
10 oz.
Selected Varieties
2/$3.50

NABISCO CHIPS AHOY
14 - 18 oz.
Selected Varieties
$2.00

NABISCO TOASTED CHIPS
6 - 9 oz.
Selected Varieties
$2.00

PLANTERS DRY ROASTED PEANUTS
10 oz.
Selected Varieties
$4.95

Check out our Wine Cellar & Beer Barrel Specials

DANCING BULL CALIFORNIA WINES & SEBEKA SOUTH AFRICAN WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties
$6.25 + tax

ECCO DOMANI WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties or
VENDANGE WINES
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
$6.75 + tax

COORS & COORS LIGHT
18 Pk. 12 oz. Cans or
BUDWEISER, BUD LIGHT & BUD SELECT
18 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
$11.25 + dep + tax

MILLER LITE, GENUINE DRAFT & GENUINE DRAFT LIGHT
24 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
$14.75 + dep + tax

LUSH SPRING HOUSEHOLD/NON FOOD VALUES!

JOY LIQUID DISH DETERGENT
25 oz.
Selected Varieties

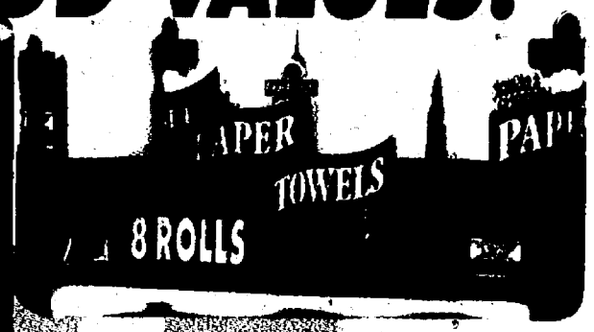
2/$3

CASCADE POWDER, GEL & ACTION PACKS
75 oz. Powder & Gel
20 ct. Action Packs
Selected Varieties

2/$7

BRAWNY PAPER TOWELS
8 Roll Pack

$6.00



OUR FAMILY PAPER TOWELS
8 Roll Pack

$4.00

ERA LIQUID LAUNDRY DETERGENT
100 oz.
Selected Varieties

$4.00

RENUZIT AIR FRESHENERS
7.5 - 9 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/$3

OUR FAMILY BATH TISSUE
12 ct. Double Rolls

$5.00

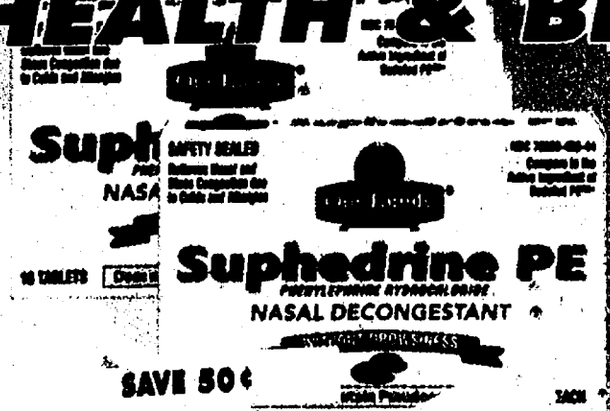
CHARMIIN BATH TISSUE
18 ct. Big Roll
Selected Varieties

$9.00

HEALTH & BEAUTY CARE

DOVE BAR SOAP
2 ct. 8.5 - 9.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/$5



OUR FAMILY SUPHEDRINE
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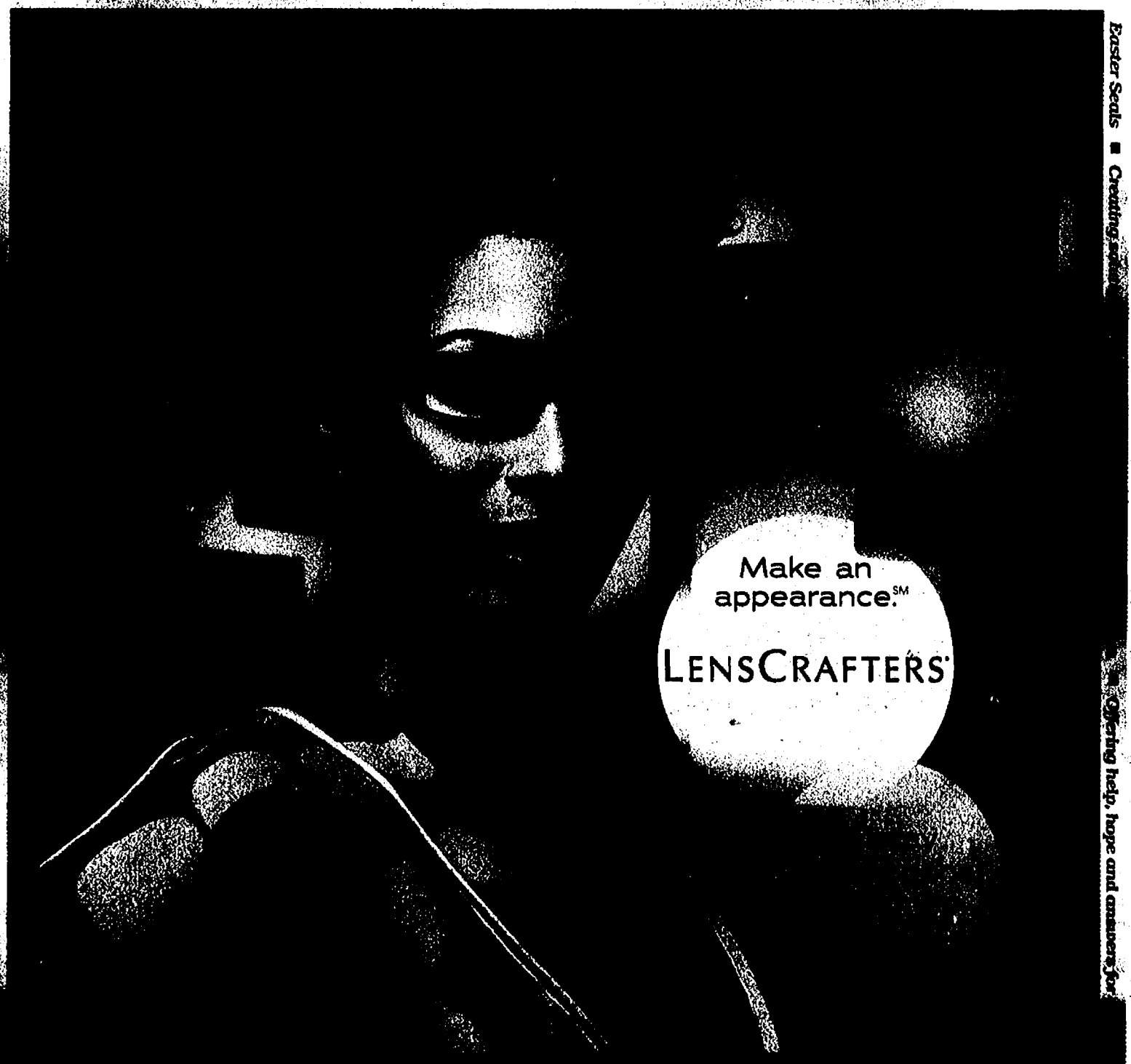

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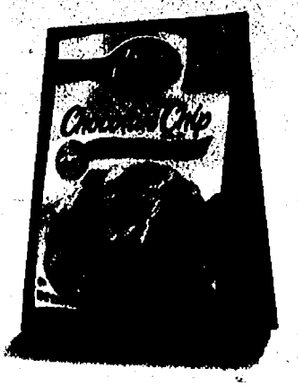

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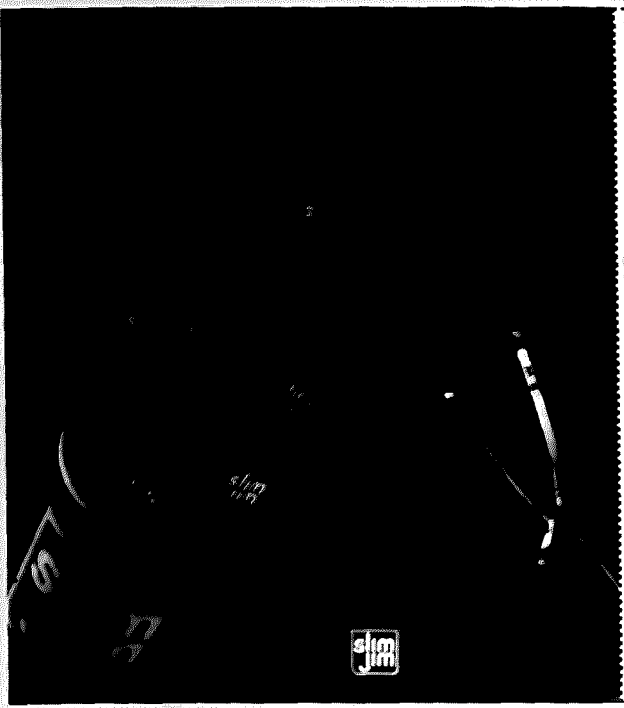

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- 1 Tbsp. powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 3 cups cut-up mixed strawberries and peeled kiwi

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Prepare brownie batter as directed on package; stir in 1/2 cup sour cream. Spoon into greased and floured 9-inch round cake pan.

BAKE 45 min.; cool 10 min. Remove from pan to wire rack; cool completely.

MIX remaining sour cream, whipped topping, sugar and vanilla. Cut brownie horizontally in half. Place bottom half on plate; spread with half of the sour cream mixture. Cover with top of brownie, remaining sour cream mixture and fruit. Store in refrigerator. Makes 16 servings.

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- 2 pkgs. (8 oz. *each*) cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

[illegible]EAT oven t[illegible] 2-inch foil bake cups on baking sheet(s) w[illegible]e one vanilla wafer, flat-side down, on bottom o[illegible]ch cup. Place *5 to 6* morsels on top of each wafer.

BEAT cream cheese, sugar and flour in large mixer bowl until creamy. Add eggs and vanilla extract; beat well. Spoon heaping tablespoon of cream cheese mixture into each bake cup.

BAKE for 15 to 17 minutes or until just set and not browned. Remove from oven to wire rack. While still warm, top cheesecakes with *remaining* morsels. Morsels will soften but will retain shape. Cool completely. Cover and refrigerate.

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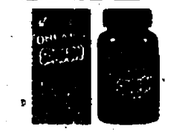

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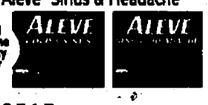

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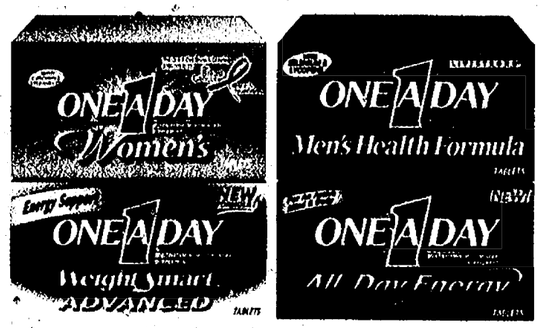

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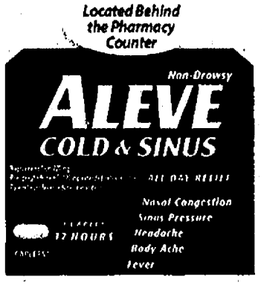

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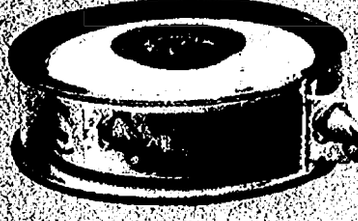

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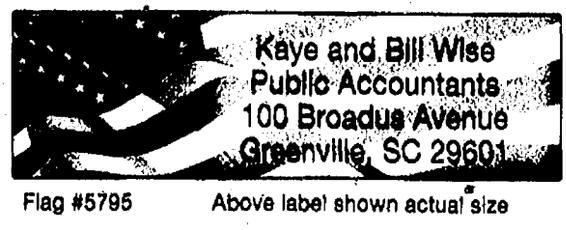

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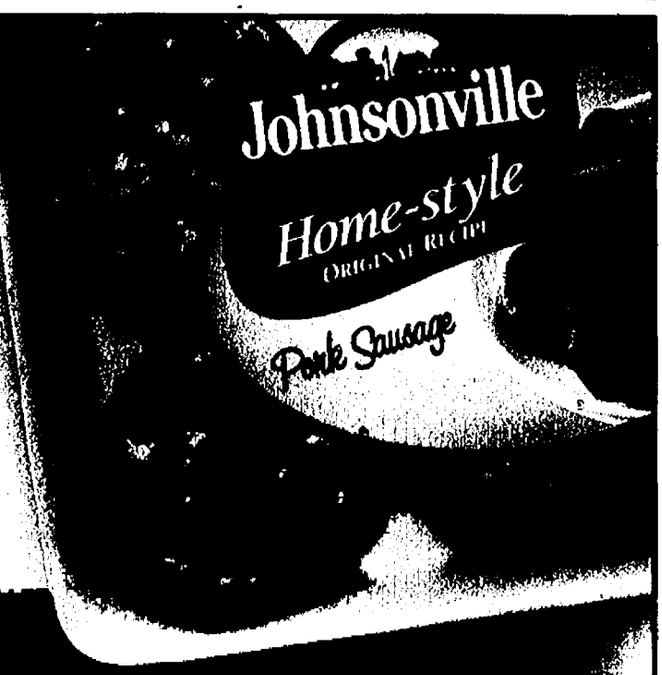

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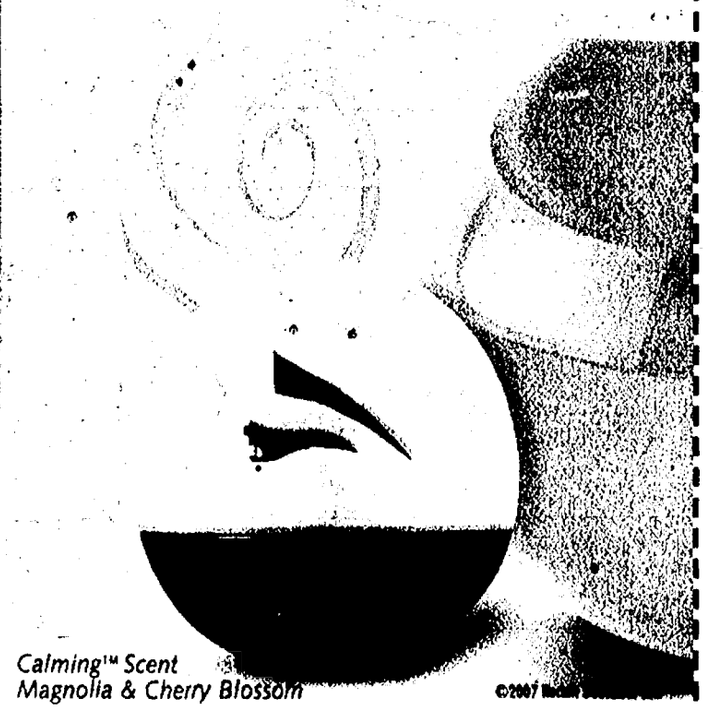

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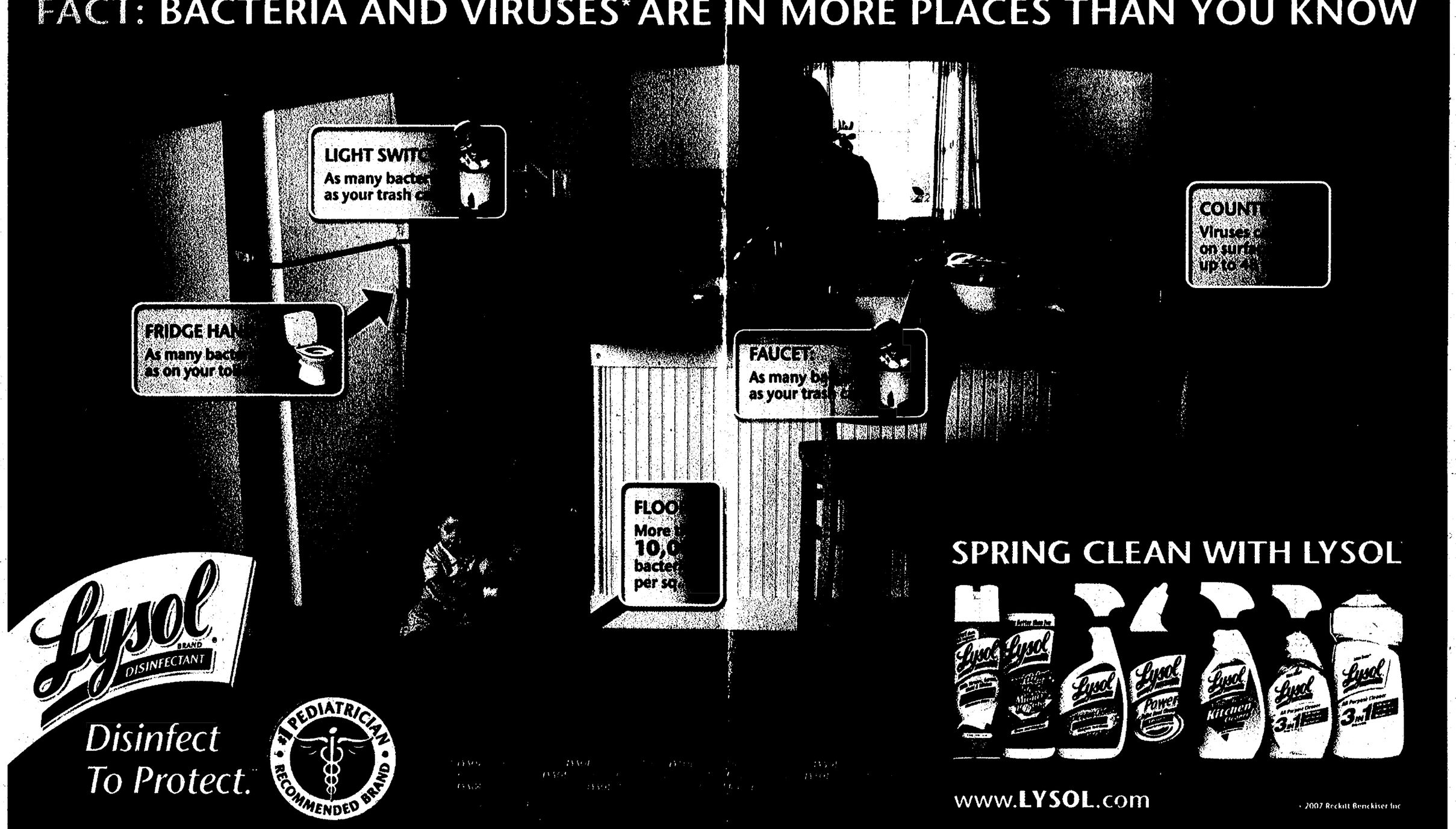

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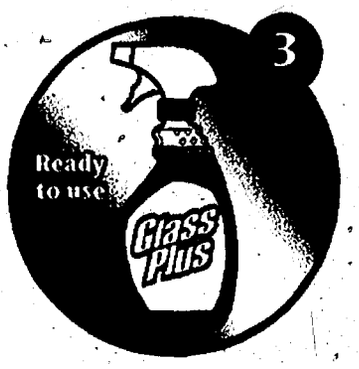

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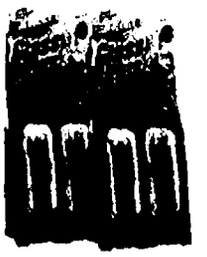

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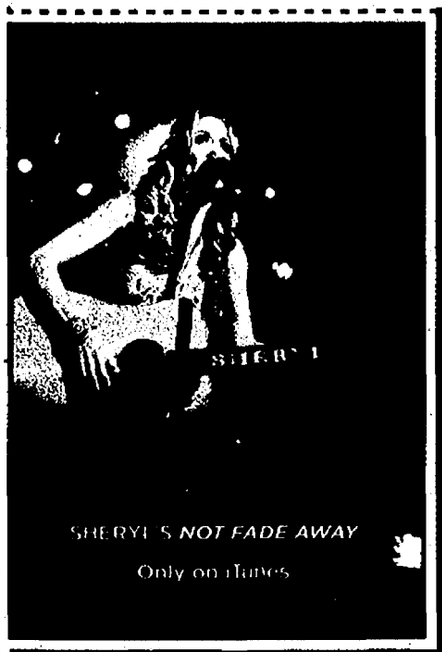

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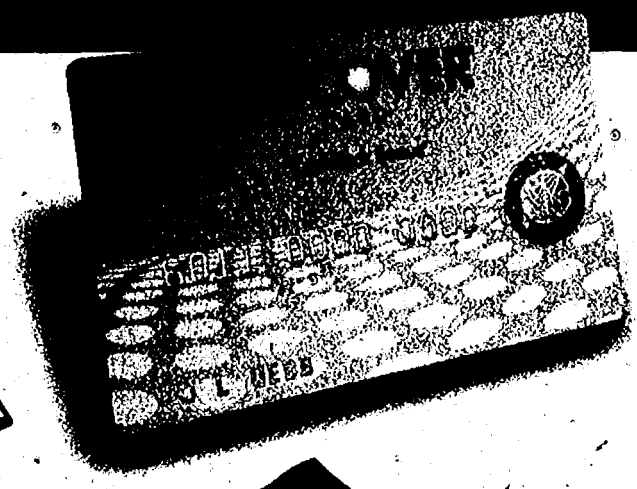

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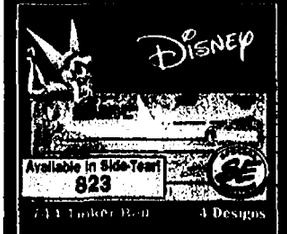

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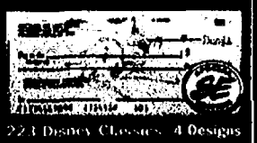

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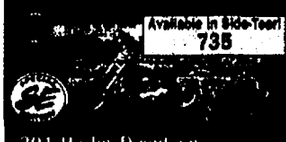

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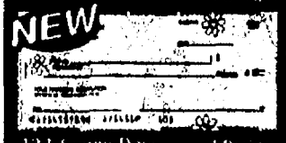

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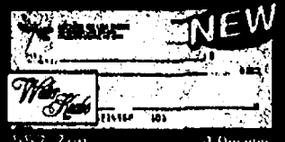

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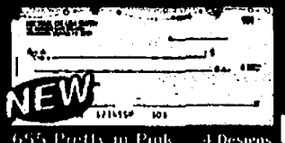

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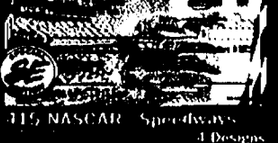

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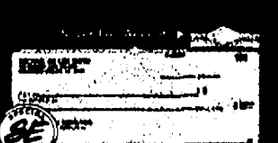

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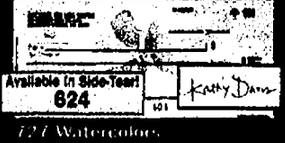

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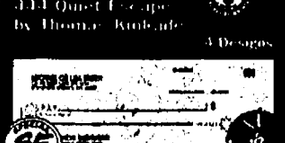

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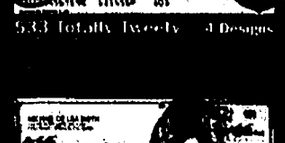

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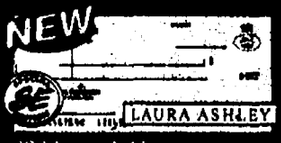

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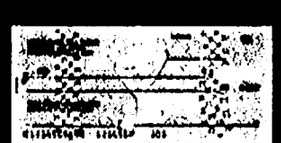

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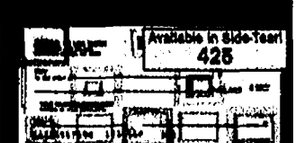

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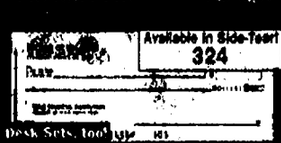

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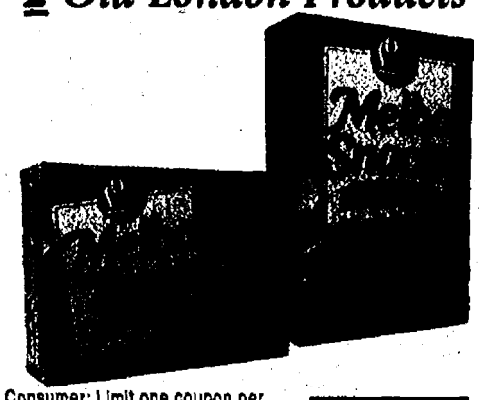

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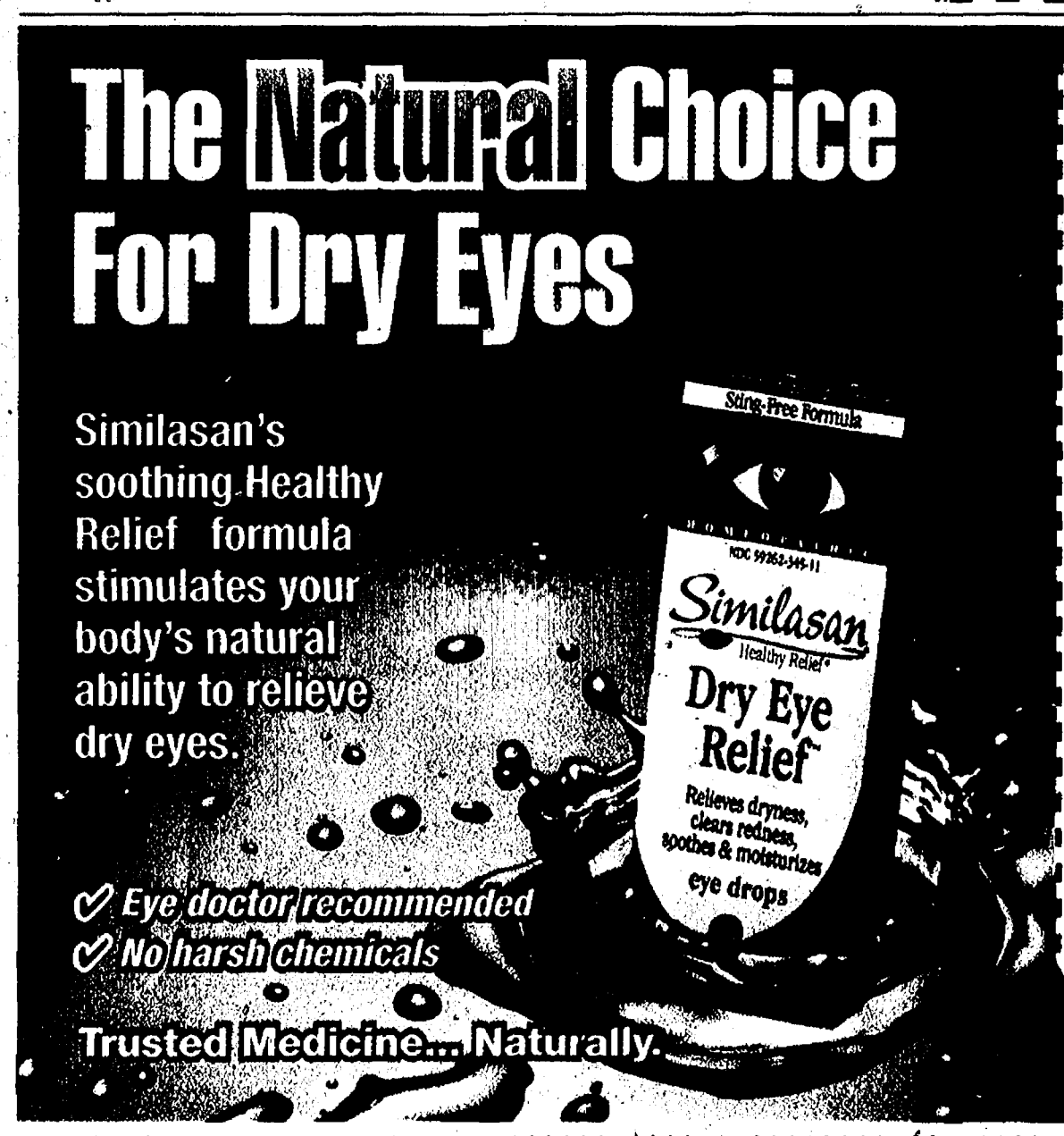

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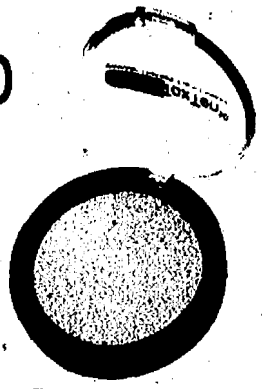

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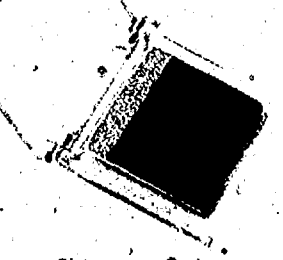

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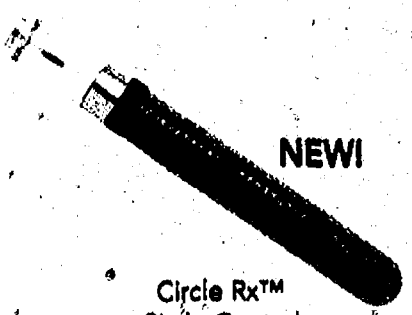

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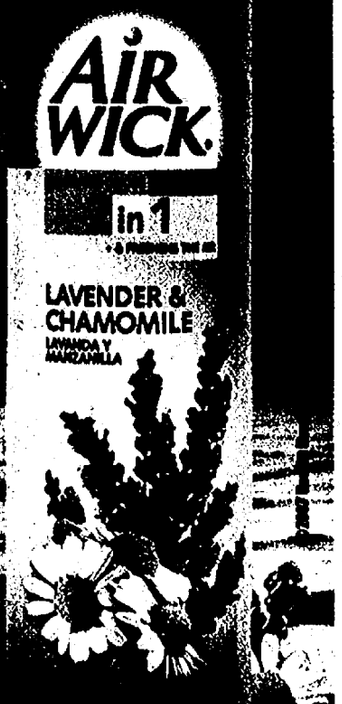

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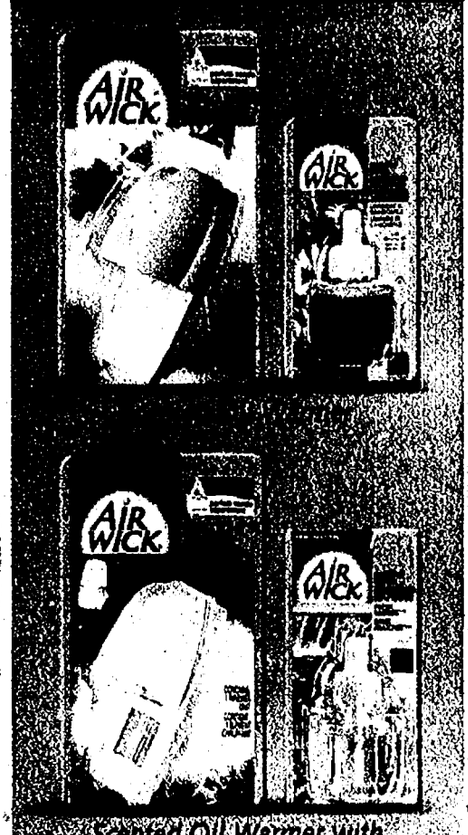

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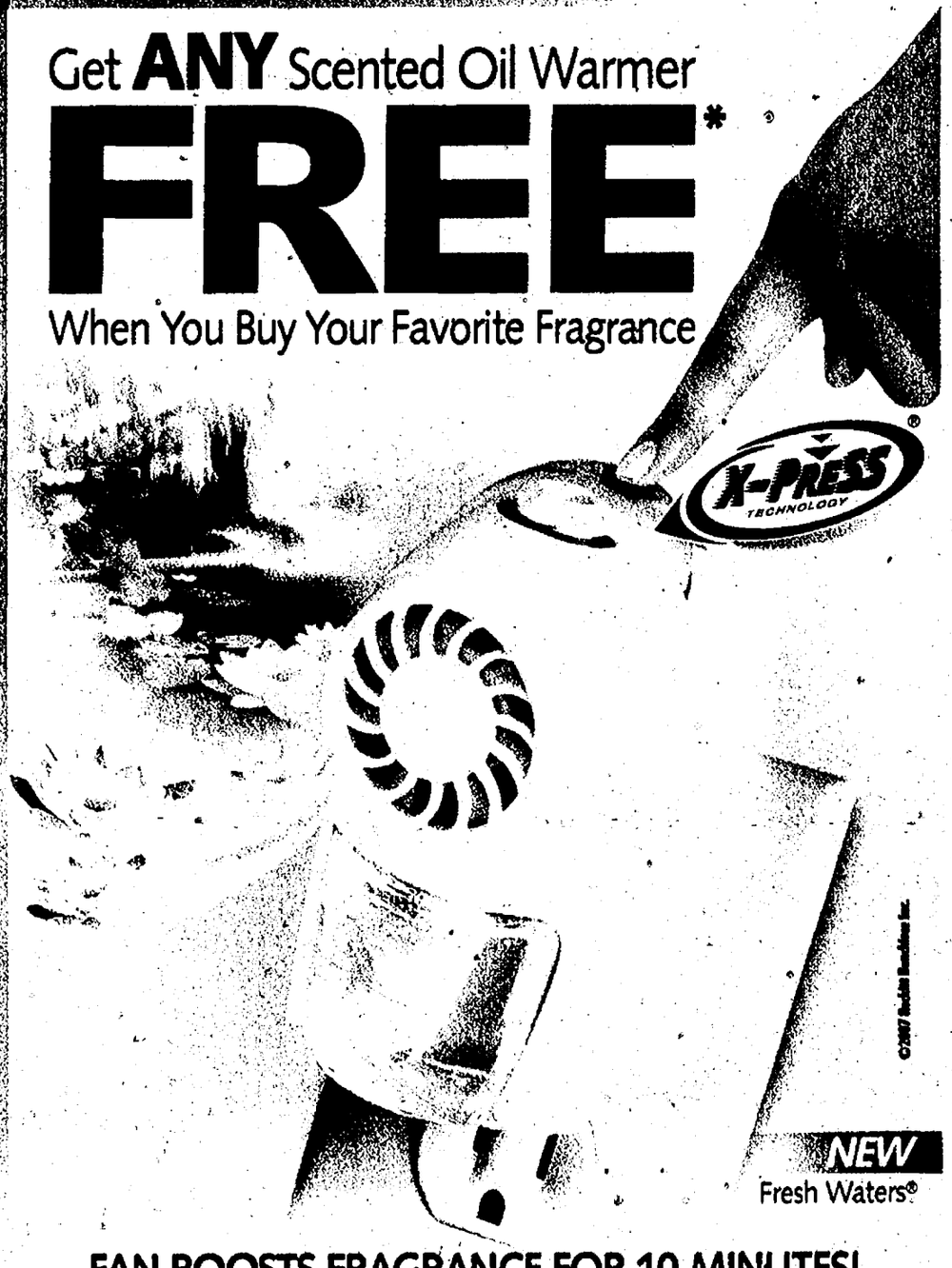

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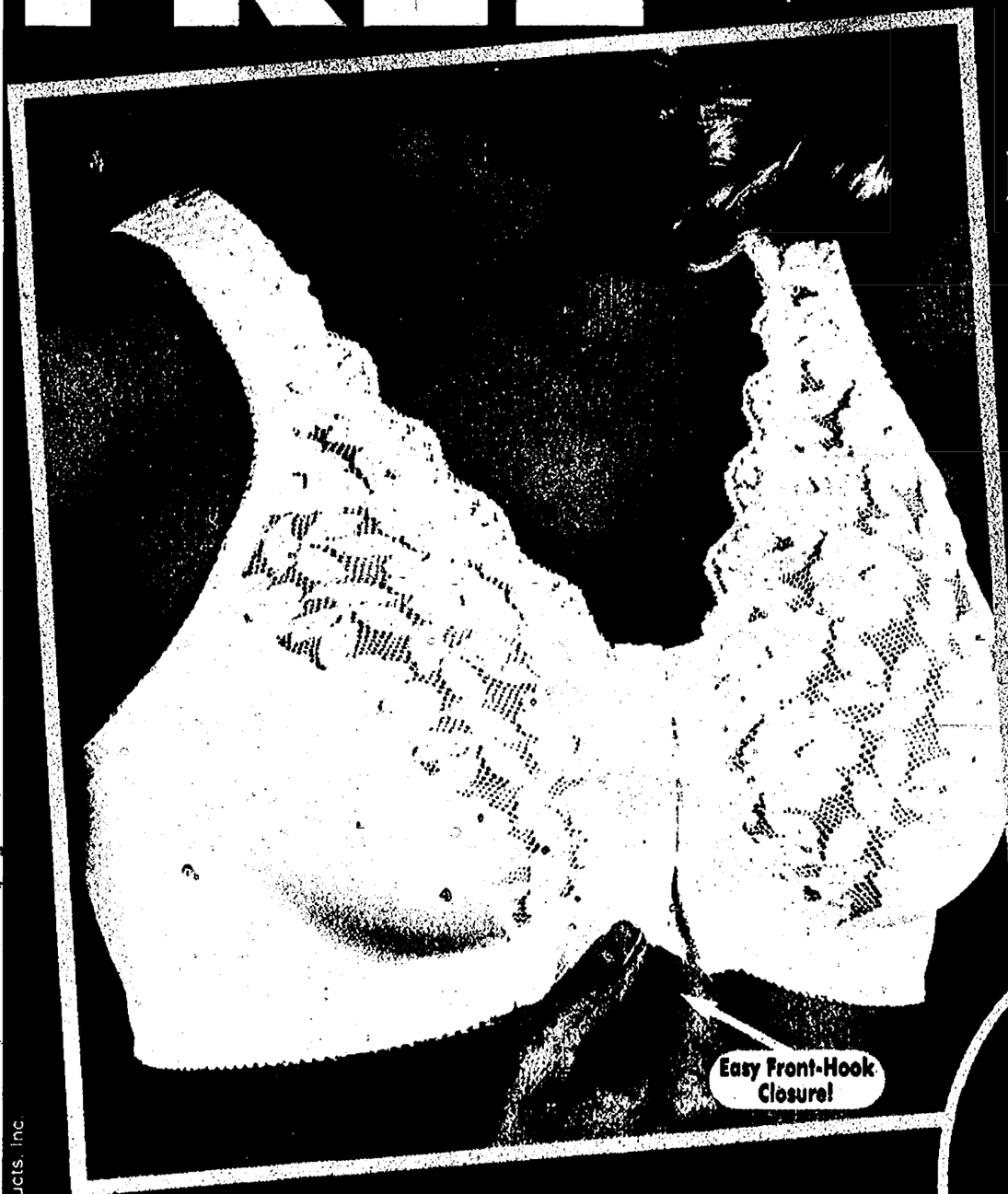

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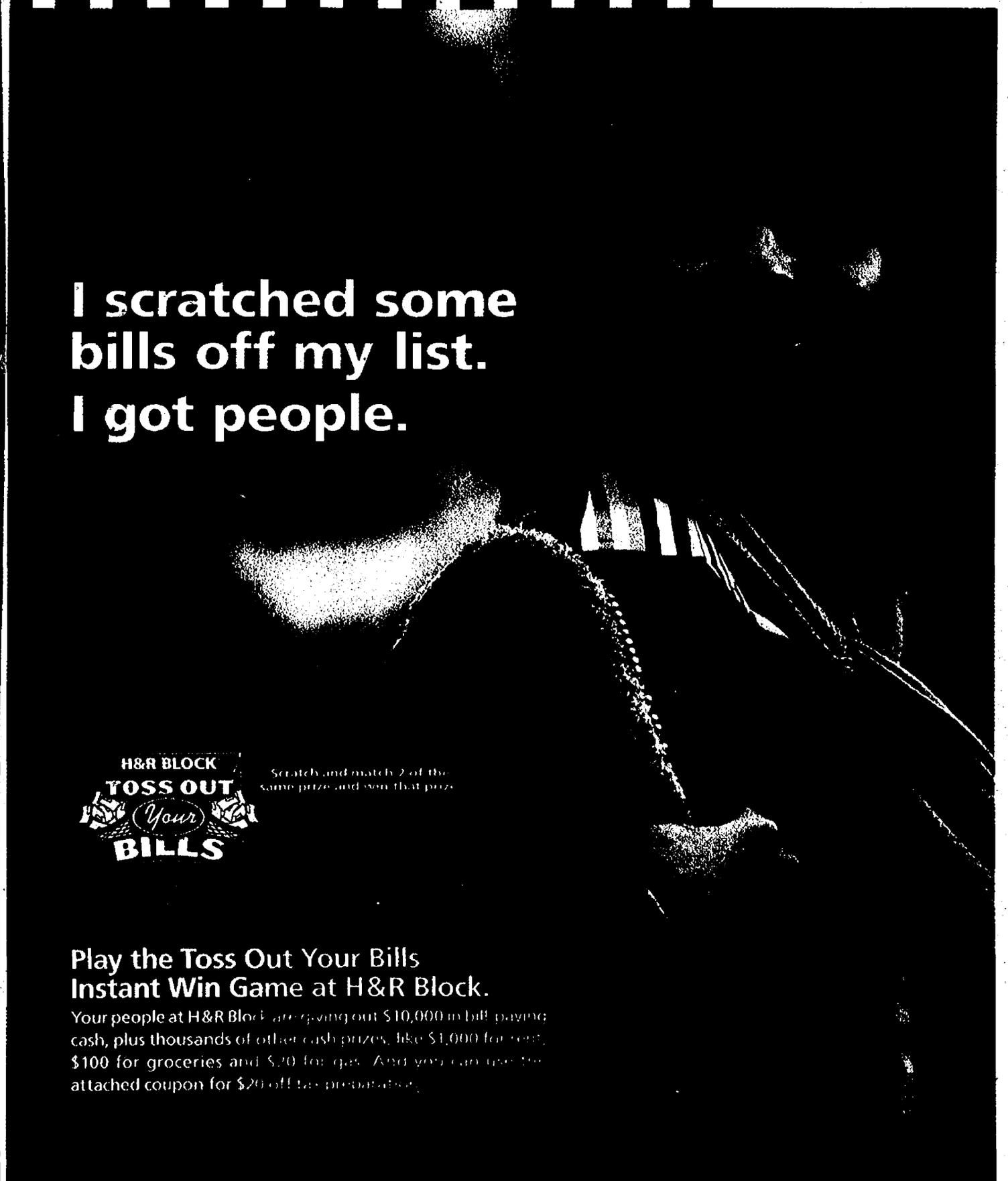

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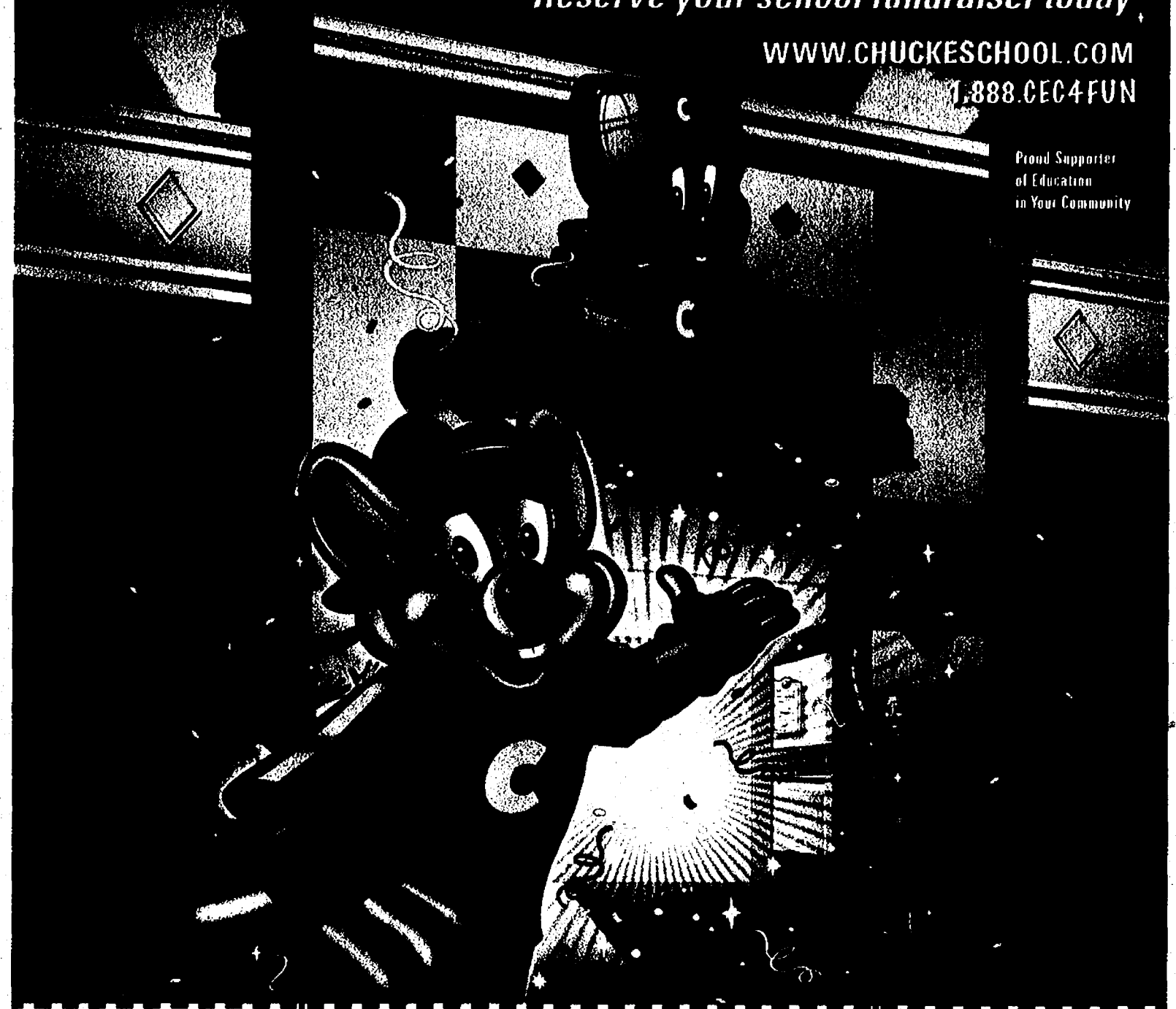

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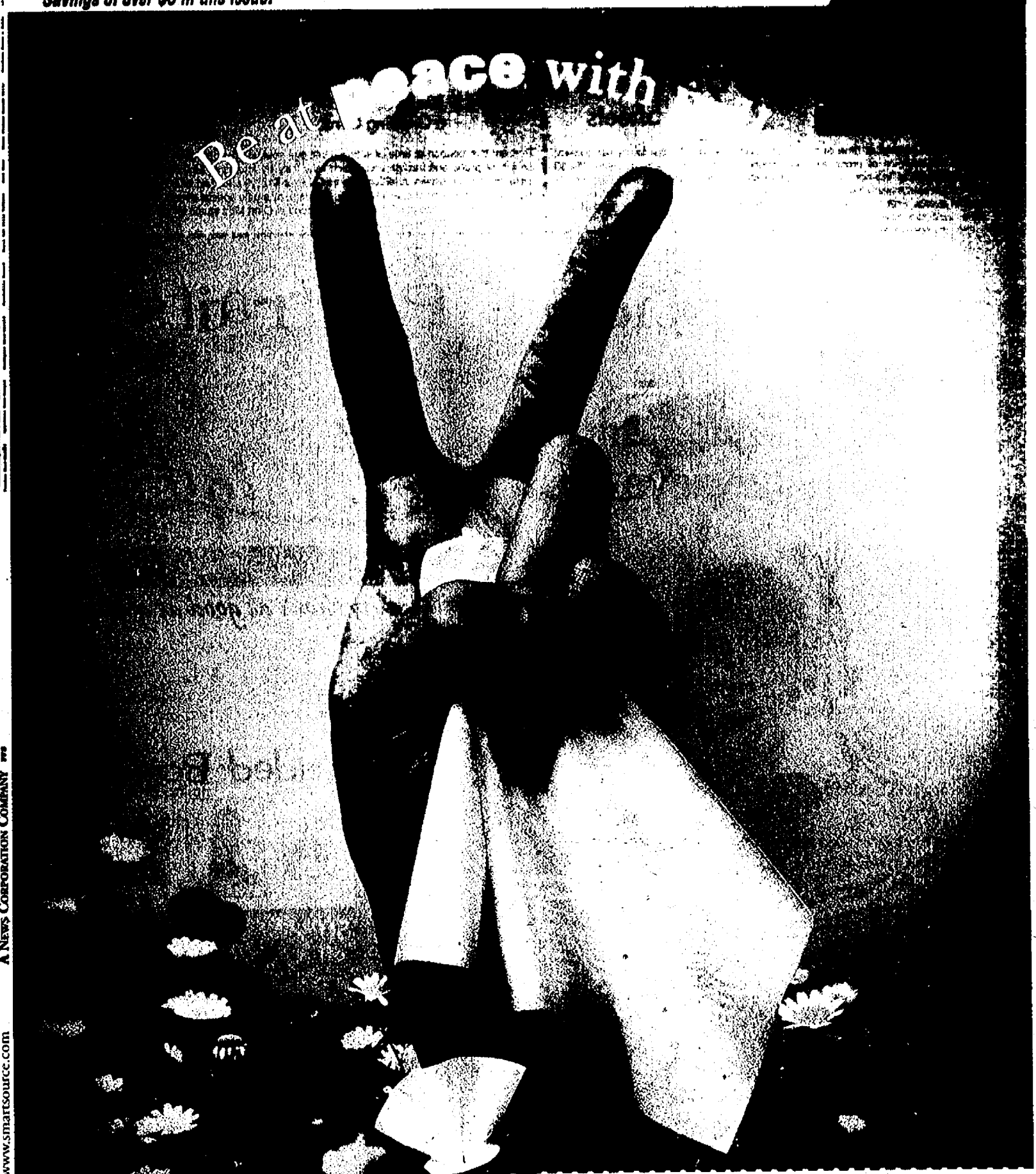

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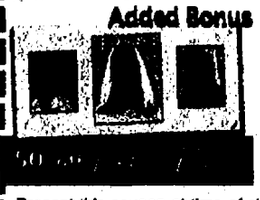

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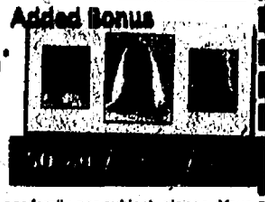

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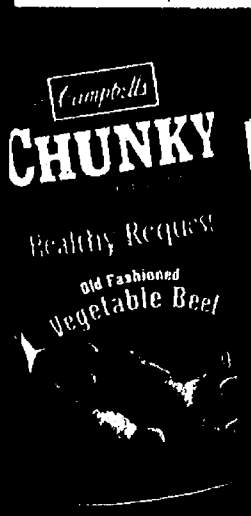

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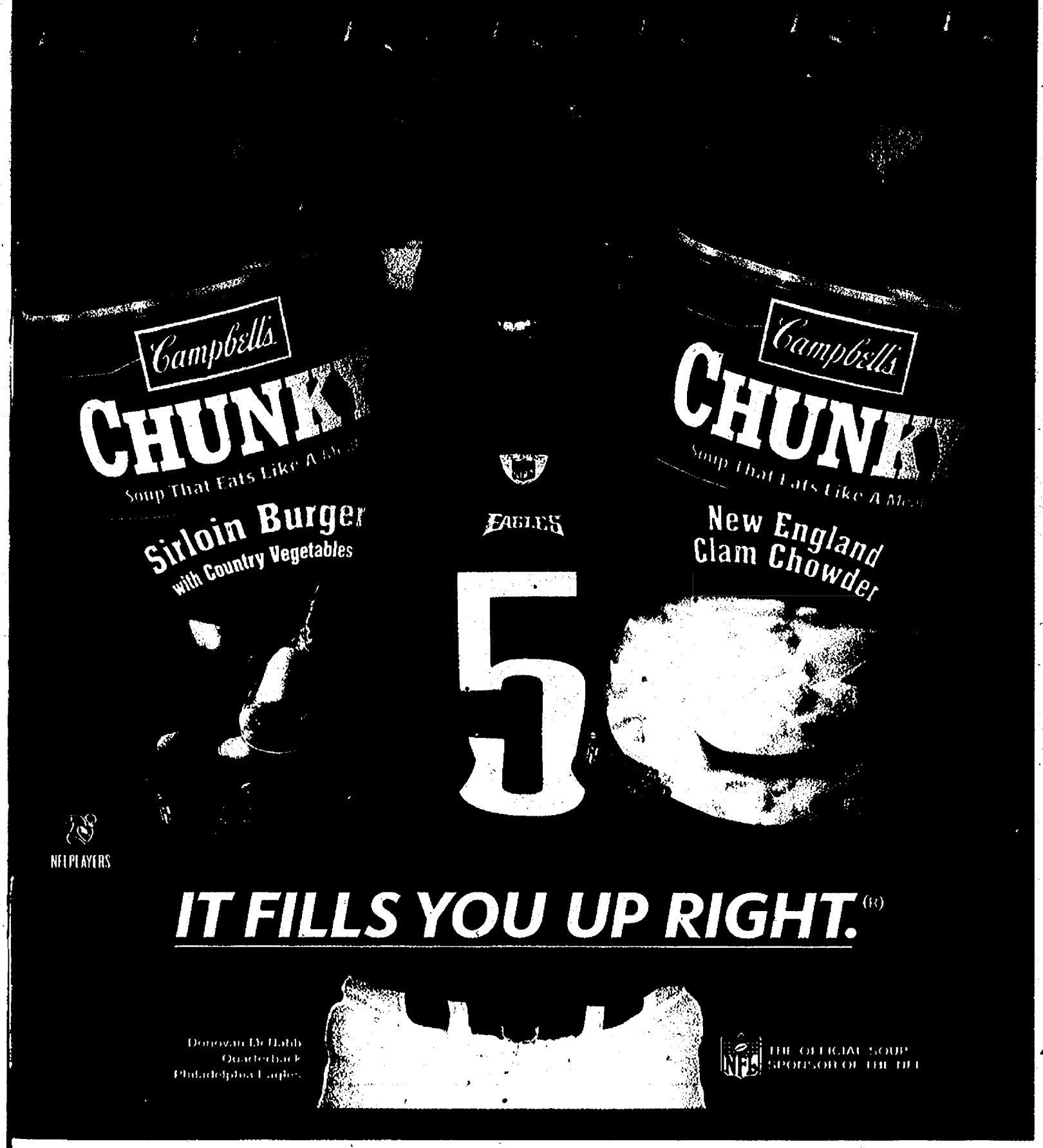

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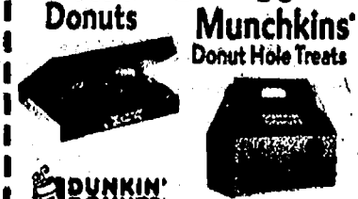

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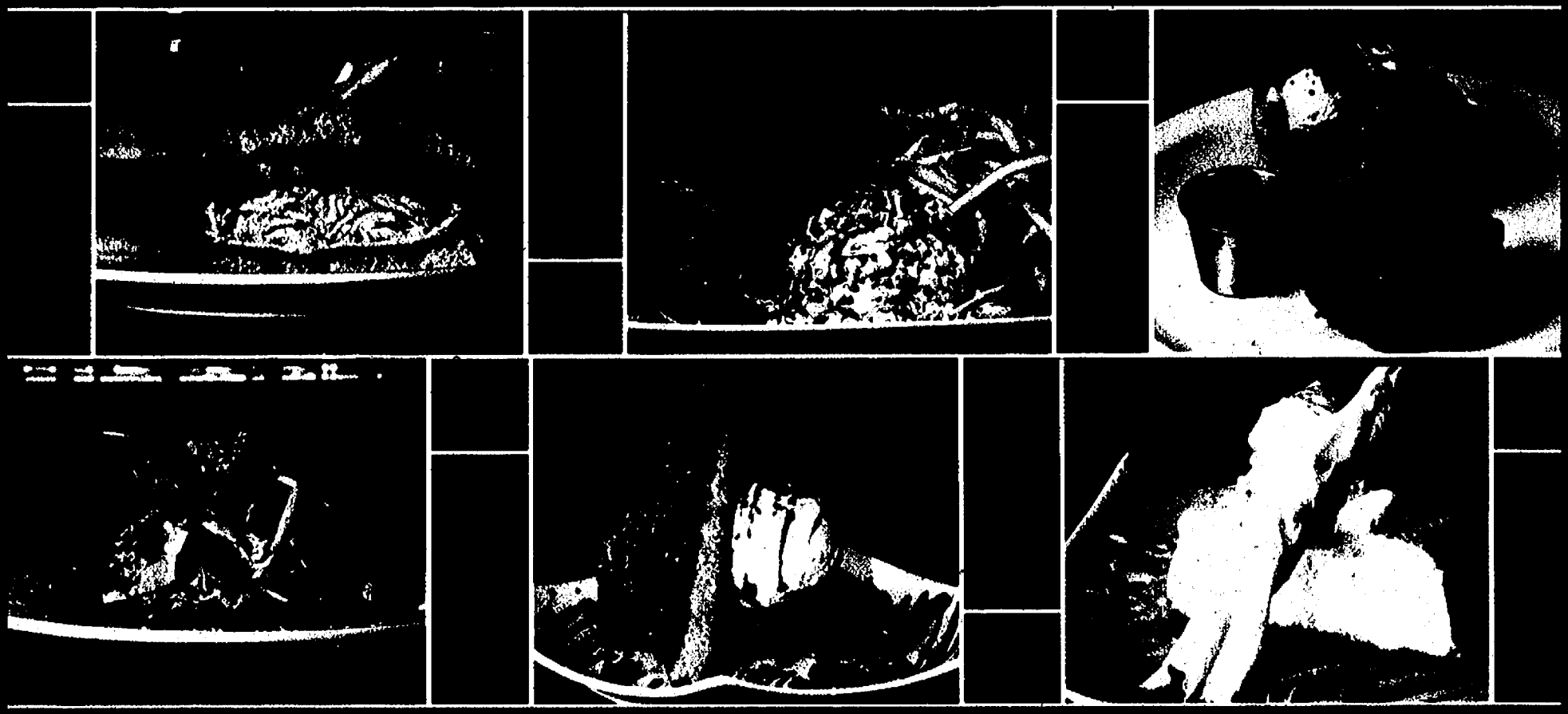

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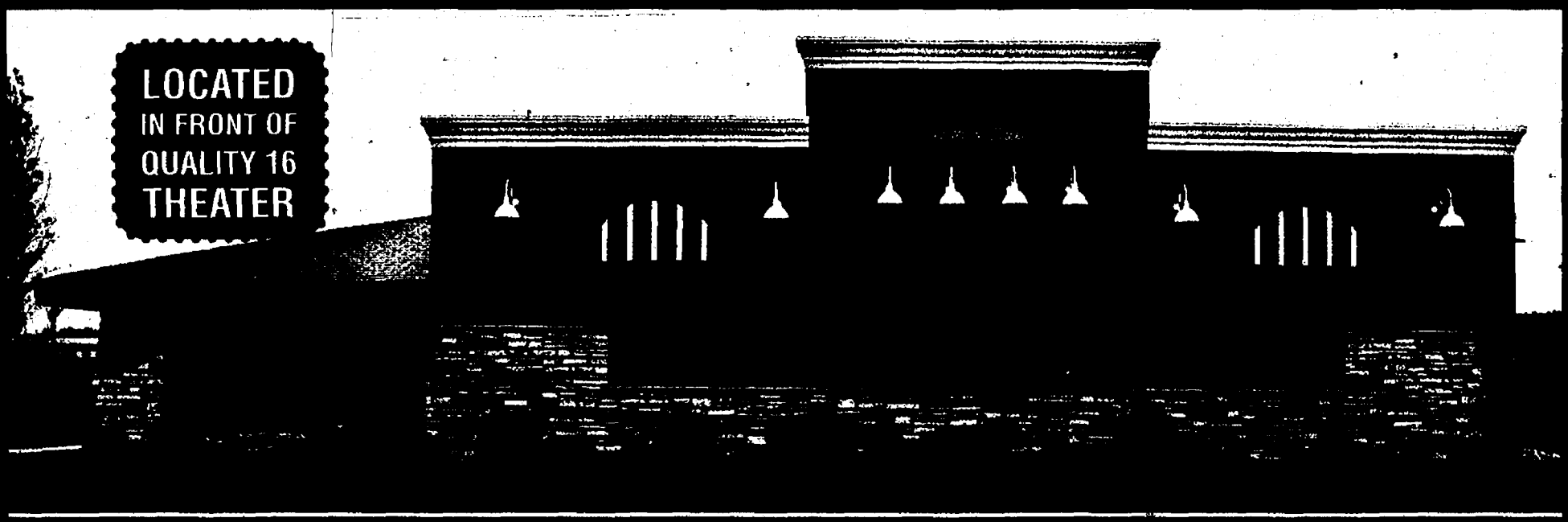

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