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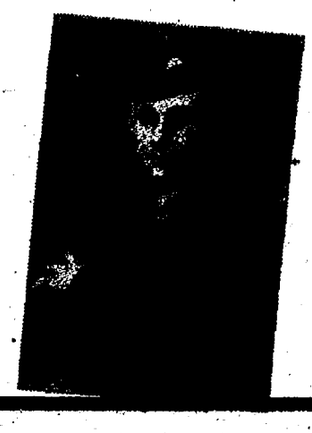

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Federal windfall leaves school officials wondering

By Sean Dalton
Staff Writer

State congressional leaders announced last week that Michigan schools would receive a portion of $44 billion in funding to "reform schools and save teachers" across the country.

The cash is coming from the America Recovery and Reinvestment Act or "stimulus" as it's more commonly known.

A total of $32.6 billion will be available under the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund, representing two-thirds of the total dollars in the fund. That money includes $26.6 billion "to save jobs and improve K-12 and higher education," as well as a separate $6 billion in a Government Services Fund to pay for education, public safety or other government services.

U.S. Senators Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin were bullish in a press release announcing the money.

"We need to provide our children with a world-class education, so they can compete in the global economy," Stabenow said. "That's why this recovery package makes vital resources available to help keep teachers in the classroom, offer much-needed assistance to students with special needs, and keep our schools safe."

United States Congressman Mark Schauer, D-District 7, issued his own release detailed more than $3 million of that money coming to Washtenaw County to "help save education-related jobs and maintain programs over the 2009 and 2010 school years."

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All of that sounds good, unless you're Dexter Community Schools Superintendent Robert Glass or Chelsea Public Schools Superintendent David Killips.

Both men said earlier this week that the money has various strings attached that would make it virtually useless for the purposes stated in the public statements by Michigan's federal and state legislators.

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Dexter still doesn't know the scope of teacher cuts or if there will even be any, as officials wait to hear back from state cohorts on whether potential per pupil funding cuts will be amended in Governor Jennifer Granholm's budget for the upcoming fiscal year or if the federal government will fill that gap.

The problem with the $665,000 that Dexter will receive for IDEA funding is that the money has rules attached to it. One of those rules is maintenance of the program, and the two rounds of funding will only cover two school years.

Michigan is estimated to receive $800 million in funding for IDEA and Title 1 in a second round of funding later this year. Michigan's stake in the overall funding is estimated to be $1.5 billion in total stabilization funds.

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Brewing a winner

Bearclaw a story of local success

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

It's too simplistic, too formulated and too cliché to call this story, "from tragedy to triumph." Because Debi Scroggins' enthusiasm – no, make that her passion – for life didn't come from a tragedy and it's far reaching aftermath.

This kind of zest for jumping out of bed and leaping with both feet into life's biggest challenges starts at an early age. It's something that's always there. She talks fast. And with an exclamation point after every sentence. Her voice bounces off the wood walls and around the corner. And it's infectious. Boy, is it ever infectious.

Still, the eyes turn red and fill with tears. How can they not. It's almost 10 years to the day when the ultimate heartbreak stopped Debi on her joyful ride through life. It was a sucker punch that she admits knocked her on her butt and dared her to get up again.

You see, when Debi loves you. She loves you for life. And to take away something she loves is devastating – especially when it's your son.

Debi is the energetic, go-get 'em owner of Bearclaw Coffee, a company her and her husband, Doug, started in 2002 in a cornfield in Dexter.

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Debi and Doug Scroggins started Bearclaw Coffee in a "shack" in Dexter in 2002.

The Bear facts

- Bearclaw partners with Paramount Coffee Co. of Lansing, to roast and private label its special blends of regular and decaffeinated coffee. Paramount is a pioneer in the coffee industry with their business dating to 1935. Bearclaw Coffee Co. also offers teas, smoothies, mochas, lattes, baked goods and signature Bearclaw cappuccino and espresso drinks.
- Bearclaw also offers whole bean and ground coffee for purchase at each location. Some locations offer a select menu of food and other beverage items. A selection of merchandise bearing the Bearclaw logo, such as coffee mugs and wearables, are available at each location, as well as via the company Web site.
- Bearclaw offers a loyalty program for patrons, holds ongoing promotions, and is involved in several local charitable organizations.
- Bearclaw Coffee Co. has seen sales double every year since serving their first cup in a Dexter cornfield in 2002.
- For more information, log onto www.bearclawcoffee.com.

Disney artist draws up prints for Chelsea's celebration

By Janet Ogle-Mater
Special Writer

The Planning Committee for Chelsea's 175th Anniversary will be hosting a spaghetti dinner and silent auction from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 30 at the Fairgrounds service center. Lynda Collins from Thompson Pizza will be catering the event.

A special set of items for the silent auction is creating quite a buzz. Chelsea native and Disney animator for 35 years, Joe Hale, has donated a one-of-a-kind drawing for Chelsea's anniversary celebrations. It shows Winnie-the-Pooh floating by the Clocktower holding onto vibrantly colored balloons that spell out Chelsea.

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If you are a cancer survivor and would like to take part in the Relay For Life of Chelsea, please call your American Cancer Society at 1-734-971-4300 or 1-800-ACS-2345. All survivors and their caregivers are invited to attend the survivor breakfast immediately proceeding the survivor lap and opening ceremonies. On-site registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. If possible, pre-register by contacting this year's Survivorship Chair, Zoe Burroughs at azoemarie@hotmail.com or by phone in the evening at 1-517-331-1997.

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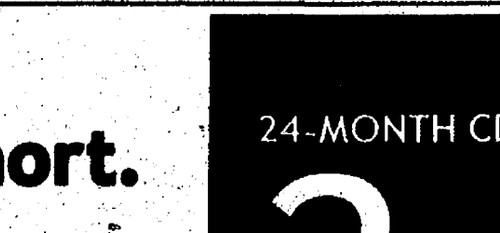
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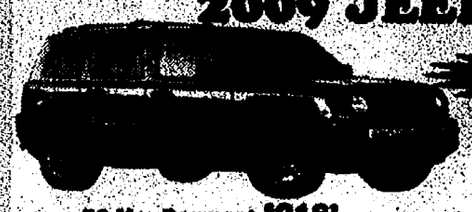
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School Board

Killips says Chelsea getting nothing

By Crystal Hayduk

Superintendent David Killips reported to the school board Monday evening, April 20, that the numbers have come in for the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (stimulus fund) and Chelsea School District is not expected to receive any money.

Per student funding from the state is expected to decline for the next school year, although it is possible that some money may enter the district via the federal government. "This would be money with strings attached," said Killips. Final details will not be available until July 1.

Killips also reported that the State of Michigan's overall budget is expected to be $800 million in deficit for the current year, which obviously contributes to the school funding crisis.

The board heard several presentations Monday evening. Mike Kapolka presented an update regarding the Academic Learning Lab at Chelsea High School. This is an elective course for students who struggle academically and socially in a typical classroom. Students are selected for the course based on referrals. Kapolka looked at student GPA, discipline referrals, and number of classes failed both before and after taking the course. Student outcomes

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CHS's Company C presents '6 Degrees' in May

Chelsea High School's show choir, Company C, directed by Steven P. Hinz, is once again presenting a Spring Show, (previously known as "Cabaret.") This is a family-friendly production of singing and dancing entertainment with an original story by Lisa Hinz-Johnson.

The show is called "6 Degrees" and is best described by Hinz as a contemporary rock blast, celebrating youth's life with heart, soul, and mission. It features song and dance numbers of legendary rock and contemporary pop artists such as "Authority Song," "Ain't No Crime," "Somebody to Love" and "Together."

The story revolves around seven young people: the geek, the goth, the rebel, the nanny, the entrepreneur, the prep and the wallflower - All different as night and day. All have received a purple ticket promising that their destiny will be fulfilled. What results when these complete strangers are mysteriously summoned to an abandoned warehouse in Brooklyn? As they come together to solve the puzzle, they discover along the way that their worlds are not so very far apart at after all. The entire production is performed by 40 talented Chelsea High School students.

Three shows only: Friday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday May 9 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Chelsea High School Auditorium. Tickets are $10 at Chelsea Pharmacy or at the door.

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If you look close, you will find Mickey Mouse at the center of the clock face, looking very reminiscent of the old wristwatches.

The drawing has been made into 20 limited edition prints, 10 of which will be auctioned off at the fundraising dinner on April 30. There is much anticipation that these limited edition prints will be a sought-after item. The original drawing, which has been matted and framed, will be on display at the Chelsea Gallery and auctioned off at a later date.

Local merchants have been generous in donating gifts for the silent auction. In addition to the Hale prints, there will be overnight stays, a Chelsea Depot rental, car detailing, kids birthday parties, gift certificates for great eateries in and about town, and much more.

Money collected will be utilized to help fund the commemorative book, "Chelsea 175th Anniversary: Then and Now," as well as the fireworks. Yes, fireworks! A spectacular display is being planned for Saturday, June 27.

"The fireworks are back, bigger and better, with the help of the community coming together for the spaghetti dinner," said Collins. "Great silent auction items will be available too, including the prints of Mr. Hale's drawing."

To enjoy a great meal at a reasonable price, you decide the donation, come out to support the community's efforts for Chelsea's 175th Anniversary. While you are at it, you can bid on exciting auction items.

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"Around Town with Linda" will feature Mmicky Shine, percussionist and artist, beginning today.

"Around Town with Linda" features interviews conducted by the local host Linda Meloche.

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The atmosphere of Relay For Life is one of camaraderie and celebration, providing an opportunity for cancer survivors to pass the torch of hope on to those still battling cancer or those that might be touched by cancer in the future. Because no one fights cancer alone, friends, family members, and caregivers are encouraged to attend the Survivors Lap and join their loved ones as they walk around the track.

If you are a cancer survivor and would like to take part in the Relay For Life of Chelsea, please call your American Cancer Society at 1-734-971-4300 or 1-800-ACS-2345. All survivors and their caregivers are invited to attend the survivor breakfast immediately proceeding the survivor lap and opening ceremonies. On-site registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. If possible, pre-register by contacting this year's Survivorship Chair, Zoe Burroughs at azoemarie@hotmail.com or by phone in the evening at 1-517-331-1997.

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School Board

Killips says Chelsea getting nothing

By Crystal Hayduk

Superintendent David Killips reported to the school board Monday evening, April 20, that the numbers have come in for the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (stimulus fund) and Chelsea School District is not expected to receive any money.

Per student funding from the state is expected to decline for the next school year, although it is possible that some money may enter the district via the federal government. "This would be money with strings attached," said Killips. Final details will not be available until July 1.

Killips also reported that the State of Michigan's overall budget is expected to be $800 million in deficit for the current year, which obviously contributes to the school funding crisis.

The board heard several presentations Monday evening. Mike Kapolka presented an update regarding the Academic Learning Lab at Chelsea High School. This is an elective course for students who struggle academically and socially in a typical classroom. Students are selected for the course based on referrals. Kapolka looked at student GPA, discipline referrals, and number of classes failed both before and after taking the course. Student outcomes

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CHS's Company C presents '6 Degrees' in May

Chelsea High School's show choir, Company C, directed by Steven P. Hinz, is once again presenting a Spring Show, (previously known as "Cabaret.") This is a family-friendly production of singing and dancing entertainment with an original story by Lisa Hinz-Johnson.

The show is called "6 Degrees" and is best described by Hinz as a contemporary rock blast, celebrating youth's life with heart, soul, and mission. It features song and dance numbers of legendary rock and contemporary pop artists such as "Authority Song," "Ain't No Crime," "Somebody to Love" and "Together."

The story revolves around seven young people: the geek, the goth, the rebel, the nanny, the entrepreneur, the prep and the wallflower - All different as night and day. All have received a purple ticket promising that their destiny will be fulfilled. What results when these complete strangers are mysteriously summoned to an abandoned warehouse in Brooklyn? As they come together to solve the puzzle, they discover along the way that their worlds are not so very far apart at after all. The entire production is performed by 40 talented Chelsea High School students.

Three shows only: Friday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday May 9 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Chelsea High School Auditorium. Tickets are $10 at Chelsea Pharmacy or at the door.

DISNEY

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If you look close, you will find Mickey Mouse at the center of the clock face, looking very reminiscent of the old wristwatches.

The drawing has been made into 20 limited edition prints, 10 of which will be auctioned off at the fundraising dinner on April 30. There is much anticipation that these limited edition prints will be a sought-after item. The original drawing, which has been matted and framed, will be on display at the Chelsea Gallery and auctioned off at a later date.

Local merchants have been generous in donating gifts for the silent auction. In addition to the Hale prints, there will be overnight stays, a Chelsea Depot rental, car detailing, kids birthday parties, gift certificates for great eateries in and about town, and much more.

Money collected will be utilized to help fund the commemorative book, "Chelsea 175th Anniversary: Then and Now," as well as the fireworks. Yes, fireworks! A spectacular display is being planned for Saturday, June 27.

"The fireworks are back, bigger and better, with the help of the community coming together for the spaghetti dinner," said Collins. "Great silent auction items will be available too, including the prints of Mr. Hale's drawing."

To enjoy a great meal at a reasonable price, you decide the donation, come out to support the community's efforts for Chelsea's 175th Anniversary. While you are at it, you can bid on exciting auction items.

'Around Town with Linda'

"Around Town with Linda" will feature Mmicky Shine, percussionist and artist, beginning today.

"Around Town with Linda" features interviews conducted by the local host Linda Meloche.

The show airs daily on Channel 18 at 7:30 a.m., noon, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

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Chelsea Briefs

Bond Public Forum

Chelsea school officials will host a Public Forum at 7 tonight to discuss the Chelsea School's Bond Proposal. The Forum will be held in the Board Room at the Washington St. Education Center, 500 E. Washington St.

Concerto Concert

Chelsea High School Concerto Concert is April 29 and promises to be an evening to remember. Fourteen of Chelsea's finest will perform a piece from choir, band or orchestra. The time is 7:30 p.m. and doors open at 7 p.m. Enjoy a night out listening to beautiful music. The performers selected are Zoe Rosza, Jack Hermann, Kim Eckart, Josh Kaminski, Duncan Harris, Sophia Pappas, Katie McEachern, Jake Powell, Katie Steclac, Samantha Keene, Adam Brennan, Abby Lewis-Lakin, Carly Meloche and Bobby Kucinski.

Rotary event

The Dexter and Chelsea Rotary Clubs, along with the other seven Washtenaw county Rotary clubs, are presenting a benefit concert featuring Three Men and a Tenor. Proceeds will be donated to Rotary International's PolioPlus fund, whose goal is to eradicate polio worldwide. The concert will be at 7:30 tomorrow night at Ann Arbor's Skyline High School, located at 2552 N. Maple Road, a half mile north of M-14.

The Three Men and a Tenor quartet was formed over 17 years ago by four Michigan State University students. Since then, they have performed more than 1,000 concerts internationally.

The "Three Men" are Paul Felch, Chuck Colby and Mark Stiles, who all stand around 6-foot-4-inches tall. "The Tenor" is Glenn Williams, who is a mere 16 inches shorter.

Tickets are $50 ($25 tax-deductible) for preferred seating and $30 for general admission. They can be obtained in advance at 734-661-0528 or rotarytickets@comcast.net, or purchased at the door.

Art show

River Gallery is pleased to host the "Best of the Best" Chelsea All School District Art Exhibit. Jurors have selected several works from the exhibit at the Chelsea Center for the Arts to be put on display at River Gallery in downtown Chelsea. The exhibit runs through May 3 with an opening reception for the students from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday. The event is free and open to the public.

Symposium looks at 'farm to school' initiatives

The Western Washtenaw Democrats are sponsoring a symposium on Michigan "Farm to School" initiatives on Thursday, April 30 in the McKune Room at the Chelsea District Library. The discussion will feature five local food and farming experts from Chelsea, Dexter and Saline, and will begin at 7 p.m.

"Farm to School" applies to a variety of initiatives in Michigan, including efforts to offer local foods in school cafeterias, school garden programs, fundraisers that take advantage of local products, farmer visits to school classrooms and cafeterias, and field trips to nearby farms. The National Farm to School program teaches students about the path from farm to fork, and instills healthy eating habits that can last a lifetime. Use of local produce in school meals and educational activities provide a new direct market for farmers in the area and mitigates environmental impacts of transporting food long distances.

"Everyone agrees that getting food from local farms to local schools sounds like a great idea," said WWDems Vice Chair Jane Pacheco.

"What we don't understand is why all schools aren't embracing local food initiatives? Why does one school have success starting a program and another is unable to get it off the ground? There is much to the story that we don't know, and I think this opportunity to hear from our local experts will be very enlightening."

The panel gathered for this discussion will share their collective experiences from the Chelsea, Dexter and Saline area school cafeterias and beyond. Food Service Supervisors Karen Carty (Chelsea School District), Julie Harsh (Saline Area Schools) and Sara Simmerman (Dexter Community Schools) will join Michaelle Rehmann of Food System Economic Partnership (FSEP) to help answer questions about what obstacles both the schools and the farms face when trying to start a "Farm to School" program.

Michaelle also will speak on recent legislation passed in Michigan and other states, the Stimulus Package, the National School Lunch Program and the Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act. Deb Lentz (Tantre Farm) will add context to the discussion with an account of her foray into food education. The event is free to the public. For more information, visit www.wwdems.org.

Business on the move

Rose Cottage moves from Dexter to Chelsea

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

There's a new kid on the block in Chelsea and clearly she's not superstitious.

Edna Middleton moved her Rose Cottage business from Dexter to Chelsea in mid February and opened at the new location on Friday, March 13.

Middleton started a year ago by buying the inventory of The Purple Ribbon in Dexter, changing the name to Rose Cottage and sharing space in downtown Dexter with Mary O'Neil of O'Neil's furnishings.

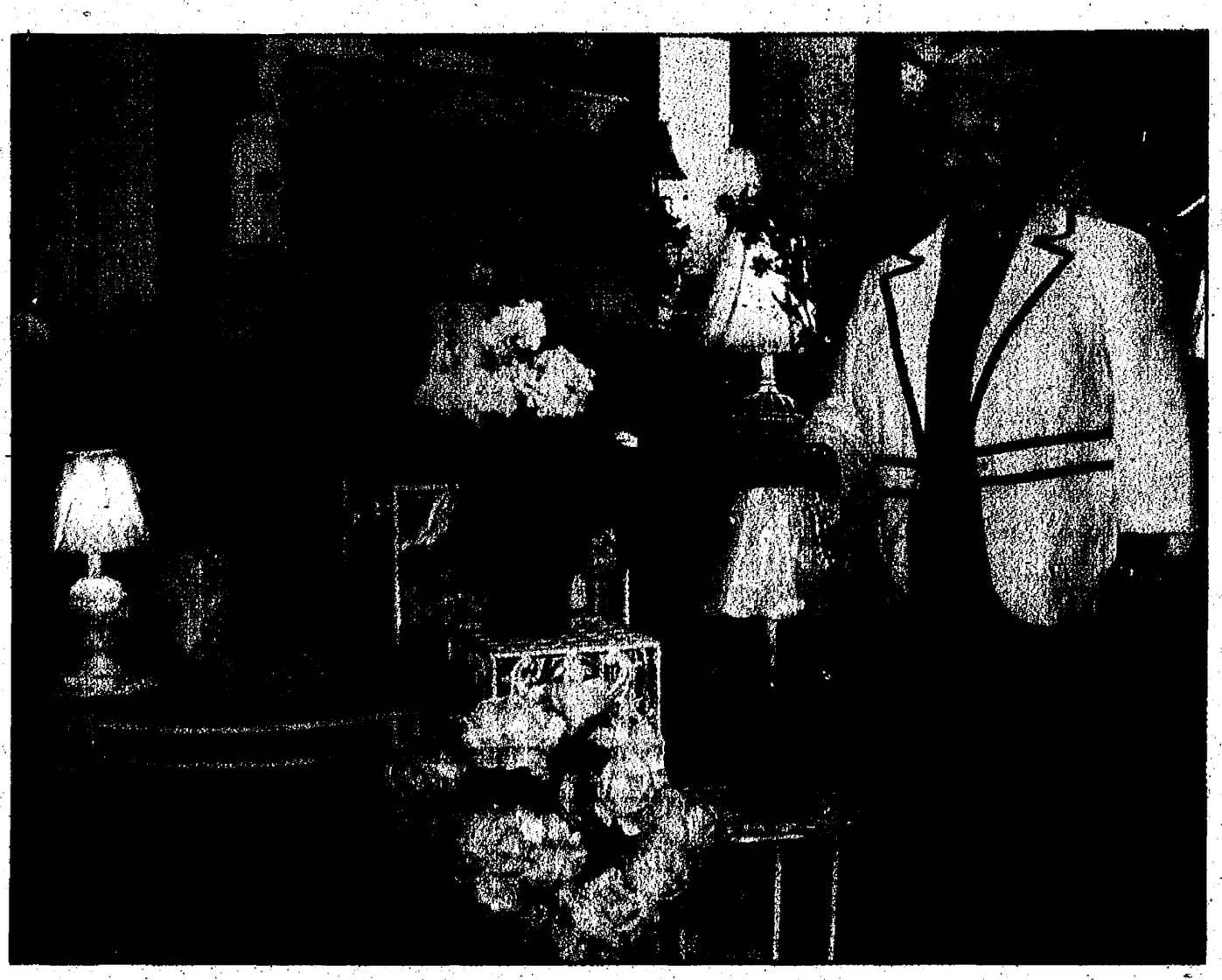
"I originally wanted to have my business in Chelsea – however, no spaces were available in the downtown area in March of 08," she says.

Then The Middle Bead vacated the location at 115 W. Middle Street at the end of December, and Middleton made plans to move.

"The Chelsea community really supports its local businesses and it's one of the main reasons for my relocation," she says. "I like the charming ambiance of the city and the preservation of the Victorian architecture in many of its homes and business."

Rose Cottage specializes in home décor and gifts; dominant themes are all-white shabby chic, silk florals and nature.

"Our mission is making homes beautiful and nurturing with unique cottage-looking décor," says Middleton, who stocks her store with pieces she loves. She and her daughter, Amy Downer – who helps out in the store – look for furnishings that have the "cute" factor, good quality and pricing.



Edna Middleton opened Rose Cottage in Chelsea at the new location on Friday, March 13.

Rose Cottage, a member of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, carries white furniture, silk flowers, inspirational word art, spa crèmes and special fragrant soaps, rose inspired note papers, angels, and unique items for kitchen, bath and bedroom.

"Customers note the shop as being romantic and magical," Middleton says.

Middleton, a Michigan native and a graduate of Eastern Michigan University, has a 25 year background in purchasing. She spent 12 years as a procurement officer for the South Carolina Department of Corrections and in Michigan worked in automotive purchasing. Her two daughters live in the area: Amy Downer, a young fives teacher at the Chelsea Children's Co-op Preschool, and Jenny Holly, recreation therapist at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor. Middleton also has five grandchildren.

And the monicker Rose Cottage?

"I named it for my mother Rose who passed away 23 years ago, and who inspired me to be the best I can be," Middleton says.

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

New kid in town

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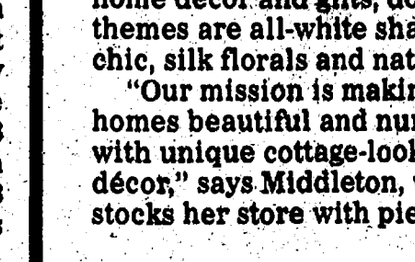

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Briefly

CCA garage sales

The Chelsea Center for the Arts and the Chelsea Co-Op Preschool are holding garage sales on Saturday, beginning at 9 a.m. Sales will be held behind the CCA building in the parking lot and garage at 400 Congdon Street. There will be a variety of items for sale including paintings, ceramics, arts books, home furnishings, children's toys, art supplies, and more. You may also bring gold to sell to benefit either organization. Proceeds benefit each organization's wish list.

Send a Scout to camp

Boy Scout Troop 425 will be holding its annual Flower Sale, Car Wash and can and bottle return drive at Chelsea State Bank (corner of Old US-12 and M-52) on Saturday, May 9. The flower sale runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the car wash runs from noon to 4 p.m. Returnable cans and bottles will be accepted all day. The flower sale features locally grown hanging baskets, flats of annuals, perennials and vegetables. This is a perfect opportunity to buy your Mother's Day gift or flowers for your yard, and also support your local Boy Scout Troop. All proceeds support sending a scout to summer camp.

Purple Rose deal

The Purple Rose Theatre Company will offer a discounted performance of the World Premiere comedy Bleeding Red by Michael Brian Ogden on Sunday, May 3 at 7:00 pm. All tickets for this added performance are priced at $15.00.

In this "ball-kicking" comedy with adult humor, the biggest football match in twenty years is about to kick off across the pond in London. Tommy, confirmed bachelor and passionate Liverpool fan, arrives at his best mate Bobby's flat to discover he's been dumped by his fiancée. Trouble is, Bobby is the linchpin of the all-important pre-game ritual. Tommy must get him on his feet before the game starts, even if it means recruiting the help of another traitorous female, Bobby's fetching sister Sarah.

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will continue to be evaluated in order to determine the direction of the program.

Julie Deppner, CHS principal, and Nick Angel, assistant principal, presented findings from the recent Quality Assessment Review of the high school. The school is assessed every five years. Deppner said that the results were very positive in many aspects. The school received their accreditation status.

Ron Livengood presented samples of new carpet and color schemes for this summer's improvements to South Meadows and Beach Middle School. Improvements will be paid for with Phase 5 funds from the 2004 bond, and is needed to replace carpet that has been heavily used for the last twelve years.

In other district news, the food service department has been nominated for a Food Safety Merit Award from the Washtenaw County Department of Environmental Safety for consistent cleanliness and safety of school district kitchens.

Chelsea School District is receiving the 2009 Education Excellence Award from the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) for the Reading Apprenticeship Program, led by Heather Conklin. The board expressed commendation to Conklin and supporting faculty. MASB will give the district $1,500 to enhance and support the program.

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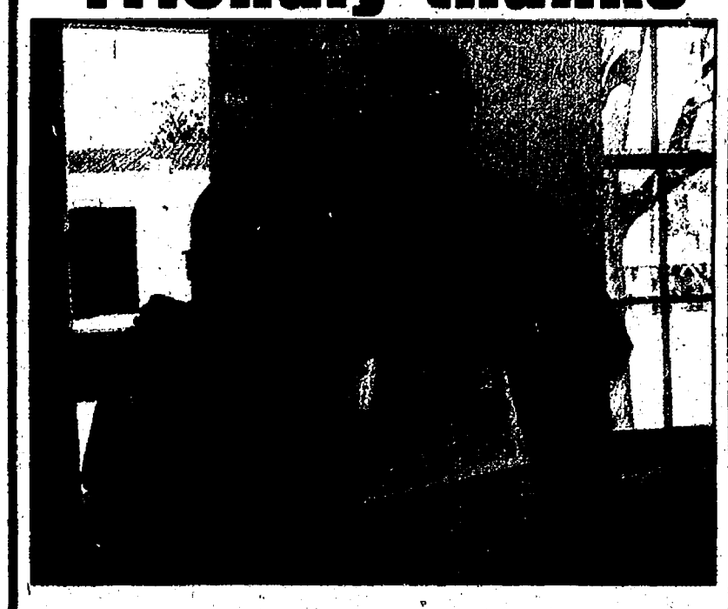

Louise Jernigan with Ray Sleep during the The Friends of Chelsea District Library 60th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday at McKune Memorial Library. Jernigan, treasurer of the Friends Board for many years, was presented the Friend of the Year Award. She has worked directly with preparing the used-book sales since the old McKune Library building days. This award is more of a "lifetime achievement award" in that it reflects significant work done each year over many years. Sleep and George Sparrow earned "Volunteer of the Year" awards. Sleep has served with great dedication in the area of computer support and teaching computer workshops. Sparrow was not present to accept his award, but was enthusiastically recognized for his enormous volunteer contributions.

Farewell, Ray Zor II

A small crowd gathered on the lawn of McKune Memorial Library on Saturday, April 18, for the burial of Mr. Ray Zor II. John Mitchell Jr., from Staffan Mitchell Funeral Home, officiated the ceremony. The eulogy follows: "We have gathered here today for the temporary rights of our good friend and Brother, Ray Zor. He has been cursed, broken and hurled to the floor. He has been used on toenails, calluses, linoleum, packaging, and occasionally, a leg or two. But being a true competitor, he worked best under pressure. And when things were really lathered up, he was at his best. So we mourn his death. Mr. Ray Zor is survived by his widow, Prudence Lather; his sons, Schick, Gillette, Norelco, and Remington; his daughters, Daisy and Flicker; and his cousin Ray Zor Blade. I wish to express gratitude to those who delivered this eulogy 25 years ago during the Chelsea 150 Anniversary Celebration. Earth to Earth, Ashes to Ashes, Rust to Rust."

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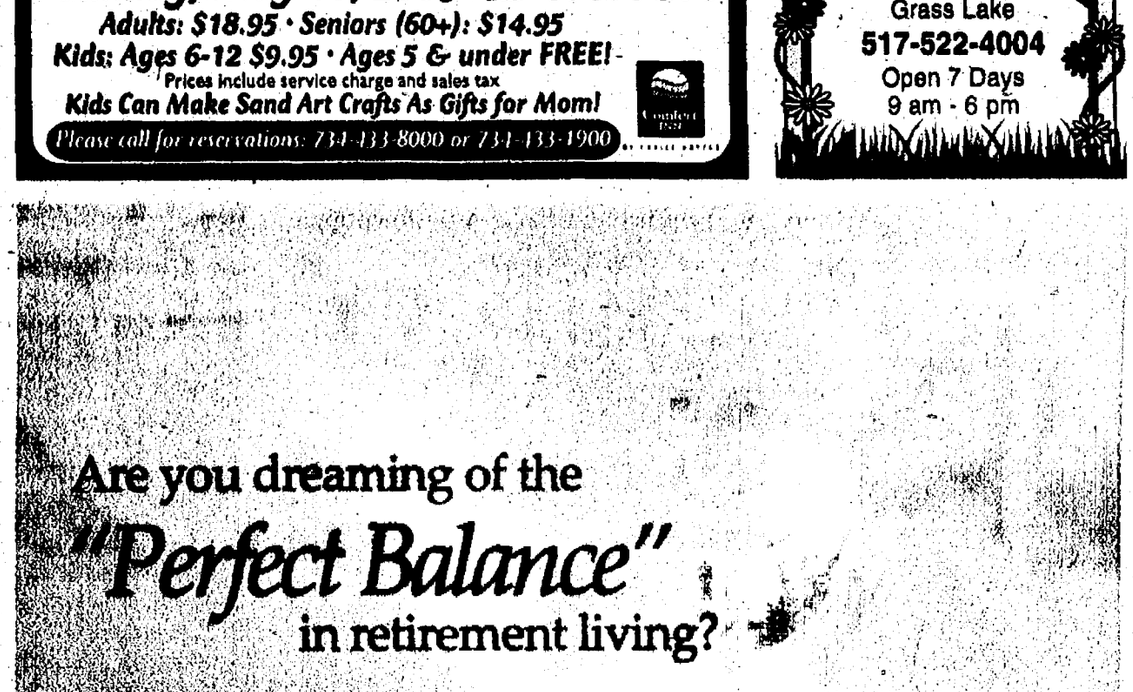
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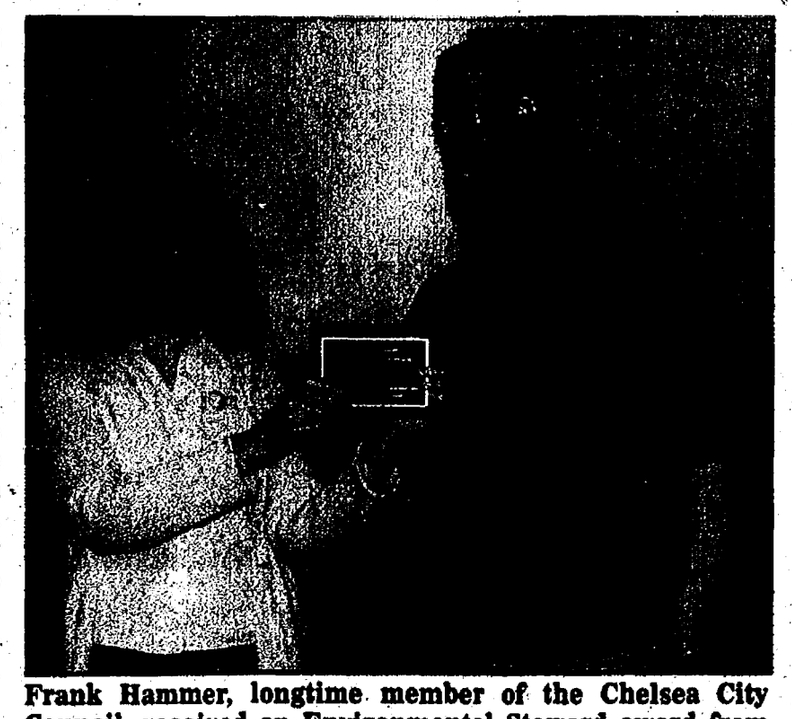
Chelsea celebrates Earth Day

On a warm April evening in a lovely wooded setting just north of town, a group of Chelsea residents celebrated Earth Day. The Michigan Friends Center was the appropriately natural setting for such a celebration, in a room with lots of big windows looking out at the setting sun filtered through the trees.

The April 17 event was co-sponsored by the Chelsea Earth Day Committee (CEDC) and the Michigan Friends Center (MFC). Elaine Economou, director of the MFC, introduced the evening.



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Frank Hammer, longtime member of the Chelsea City Council, received an Environmental Steward award from the MFC and the CEDC. Hammer started the Chelsea Recycling Authority in 1991, which soon grew to become the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority. Approximately 35 percent of the residents of Western Washtenaw County recycle. He has also recently introduced a plastic bag ordinance, which is being considered by the City Council.

The documentary "The Power of Community: How Cuba Survived Peak Oil" was introduced by Cary Church with a short discussion afterwards. The film showed how Cuba was forced to adapt after losing access to the resources of the Soviet Union in the early 1990s. The people had to transition from large, fossil-fuel intensive farming to small, less energy-intensive organic farms, and to become more sustainable.

After the movie, Cathy Muha presented a slide show about "Transition Chelsea". She discussed how she and three other Chelsea residents – Cary Church, Kathy Clark, and Marijo Grogan – had attended a two-day conference in Ann Arbor the last weekend of January 2009, which taught them about the ability of communities to work together to become more resilient in the face of dwindling oil supplies, climate change and economic hardships.

Many at the event felt that since Chelsea already has many resources and many innovative people, that it would be an ideal community to work together on such a project.

Easter message

Todd Kauranen of Chelsea presented the Easter message on the Chelsea rock. More of Kauranen's work can be viewed at www.coroflot.com/tekpds

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The second annual Braun and Helmer Farm Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 2 at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds near Saline. The event will feature a Tractor and Engine Show, Tractor Pull, Lawn and Garden Show and Future Farmers of America Toy Show for those who collect and appreciate tractors of all shapes and sizes.

A number of working displays are planned. In addition, there will be a trade show, flea market, market and giveaways each hour.

A live auction of tractors will begin at 11 a.m. A petting farm and free Pedal Tractor Pull are also on tap. A large selection and variety of food will be available with a lunch and the 4-H bake sale. The event concludes with a potluck for all exhibitors and auction buyers at 4 p.m.

"Last year, we had over 1,000 people come and enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of the Farm Festival," David Helmer, Farm Festival coordinator, said in a news release. "This year, we are building on the success of 2008 and we look forward to seeing new and familiar faces."

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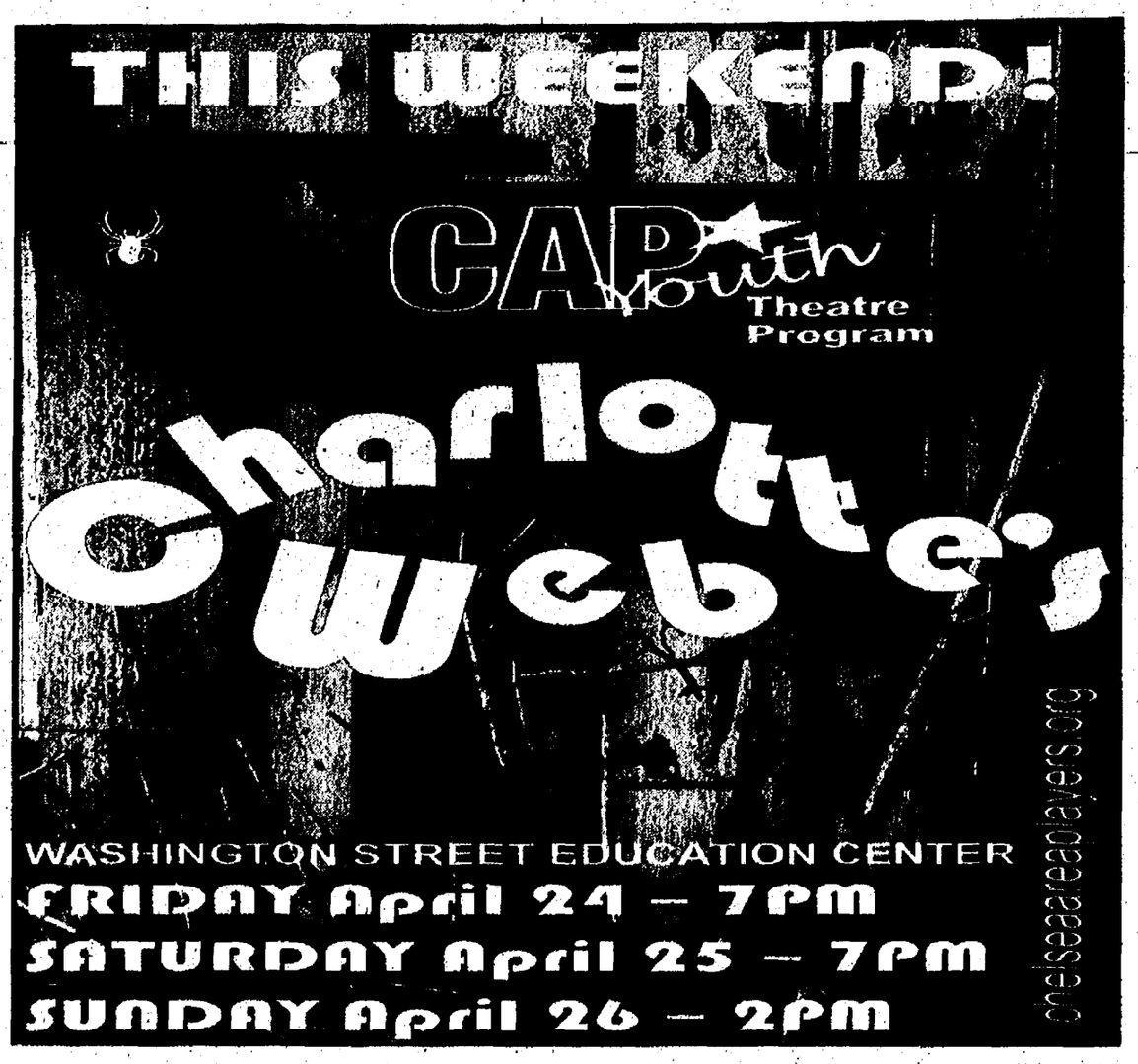

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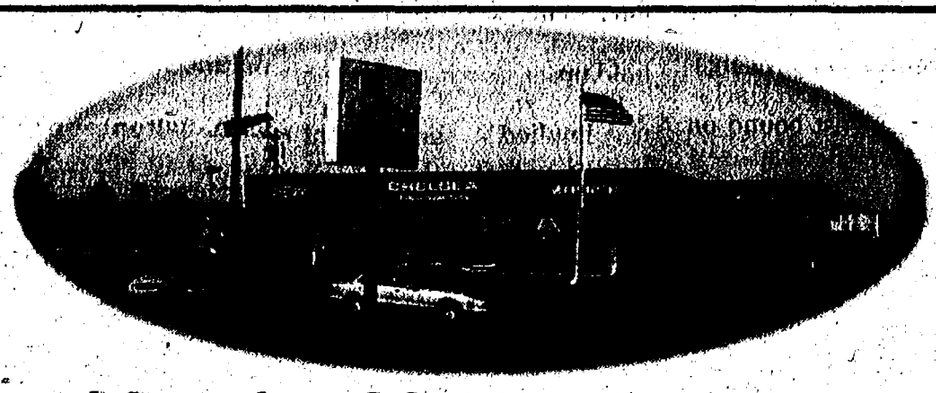

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CAFA millage up for another vote this year

By Sean Dalton
Staff Writer

On May 5 the Chelsea Area Fire Authority will take another pass at a millage, after the previous request was just nine votes from passing.

The request for 1.8 mills over five years is a necessary move, according to CAFA Fire Chief Jim Payeur, who is concerned with two things – making sure folks in surrounding townships understand how the millage would affect them and letting Chelsea residents know that the city has already committed absorbing the cost.

"The city has already made a commitment to reduce their general fund to whatever the approved millage is," Payeur said. "It's not going to be an increase. It's not going to cost any additional money."

Township residents in Lima and Lyndon would see a $30 and $15 increase to yearly taxes on $100,000 taxable value per year. Those townships already have Special Assessment Districts in place for raise funds for fire service costs. The millage would replace those SAD's and amount to a .3 mill increase in Lima and a .15 mill increase in Lyndon.

Sylvan Township seemingly stands to pay the most if the millage passes, with a $180 per year tax increase for each $100,000 of taxable property value. But according to Sylvan Township Clerk LuAnn Koch, who is also serving as CAFA Board chair person, there's no reason for Sylvan residents to oppose the millage.

"Residents are going to see the increase, because we – unlike the other townships – do not have a special assessment that helps pay the fire bills," Koch said. "If this fire millage does not pass, Sylvan will proceed to join the other townships in doing a special assessment," effectively making this millage as fractional an increase to property taxes in Sylvan as in Lima and Lyndon.

Payeur says that the cost of not passing the millage would be much greater than any other outcome. Some of the additional monies raised will pay for repairs to the deteriorating fire station at 732 Provincial Drive.

Some of the needs are cosmetic and cheap, such as paint. Others are more expensive and legally obligated, such as overhead doors and automatic opening systems, which are required by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Such requirements come with fines if not met within certain guidelines.

Other needs include staffing and training increases, emergency funding, equipment repairs and a public education program for children and seniors.

Replacement of a 33-year-old fire truck which is the department's main vehicle is also built into the millage request.

Payeur says he pledges to keep his needs within the parameters of the millage proposal. "The authority has no ability to increase it ... once it's passed we have to live in the parameters of that fund."

He also added that this is a much more logical way to fund the department.

"It's a better way of funding because everybody pretty much pays the same bill," Payer said. "We will also be able to get funding from the state, since Lyndon is 51 percent state land and the state has to pay personal property so they will generate funds," and anyone else exempt from the SAD will pay for CAFA service in the millage – not just residential or real property owners.

Chelsea man, 51, dies in accident in Dexter Twp.

On April 17, at approximately 6 p.m. Washtenaw County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a multiple vehicle crash on North Territorial Road near Hankerd in Dexter Township.

First responders found the driver of a 2007 Harley Davidson Motorcycle had collided with a 2005 Ford Ranger pickup. The driver of the motorcycle, Ronald J. Williams, a 51-year old Chelsea resident was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The preliminary investigation indicates the 2007 Harley was traveling east bound on North Territorial Road west of Hankerd.

Eastbound vehicles traveling in front of the motorcycle stopped to turn left onto Hankerd Road. The motorcycle brakes locked up to avoid hitting the stopped vehicles. The motorcycle slid on its side into the westbound lane. A westbound 2005 Ford Ranger pickup, driven by a 25-year old Grass Lake resident, struck the motorcyclist. Alcohol appears to be a factor in the crash.

This case is still under investigation by the WCSO Traffic Unit.

Chelsea business robbed

Chelsea Police received a holdup alarm shortly after 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 15, followed by a 911 call from a 1100 block business on S. Main Street.

The caller told police that they had been held up by a lone male, who entered the business and announced a hold up.

Police say that a weapon was implied in the incident, but not seen by anyone present during the incident. Only staff members were present at the business at the time, police say.

The man took an unknown amount of cash. He is described as being between 5'6" and 5'8" and was wearing a gray colored hooded sweatshirt jacket pulled tight around his forehead along with a dark colored bandana tied around his mouth, according to officers.

AN EAGLE EYE VIEW

EMU Hoop Teams Announce Awards

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YPSILANTI, Mich. — The Eastern Michigan University men's and women's basketball teams put the finishing touches on the 2008-09 season at their annual awards ceremonies held last week.

Men's Head Coach **Charles E. Ramsay** announced that the **Grant Long** Most Valuable Player Award was earned by redshirt sophomore **Brandon Bowdry (St. Louis, Mo.-Taylor (Mich.) Truman)**. The **Earle Higgins** Leadership Award was presented to senior **Wendale Farrow (Sacramento, Calif.-Mira Loma-American River J.C.)**.

Redshirt sophomore **Will Cooper (Detroit, Mich.-Pershing-Bridgton)** was the recipient of the team's **Earl Boykins** Defensive Player of the Year Award. Freshman guard **Antonio Green (Inkster, Mich.-Dearborn Heights Robichaud)** was awarded the **Harold Simons** Most Improved Player Award and freshman center **Kamil Janton (Tarnow, Poland-Chicago Bartlett)** won the **Dan Hoff** Scholar-Athlete Award with a 3.48 GPA. Senior guard **Tyler Jones (Belleville, Mich.-Belleville)** was selected for the **Jack Brusewitz** Hustle and Spirit Award for the second year in a row.

Manager **Lauren Flaum** was the recipient of the **Andy Herold** Manager of the Year Award for her outstanding efforts as a team manager.

Individual statistical awards were presented to four players. Junior **Justin Dobbins (Cleveland, Ohio-Glenville)** was the leader in field-goal percentage at .522 after hitting 128-of-245 shots. Freshman Green was the top free-throw shooter on the team, making 77.3 percent (17-of-22) of his charity tosses. Bowdry was the team's leading rebounder at 7.2 per game and redshirt freshman guard **L.J. Frazier (Ypsilanti, Mich.-Ypsilanti)** was the top assist man with 66 on the year.

EMU women's Head Coach **AnnMarie Gilbert** and her staff handed out a total of 15 postseason team awards were handed out, with sophomore **Cassie Schrock (Wadsworth, Ohio-Wadsworth)** and freshman **Tavelyn James (Detroit, Mich.-Mumford)** sharing Most Valuable Player accolades.

Other award winners included senior **Shana McKinney (Detroit, Mich.-Osborn-Wayne C.C.)** who received the MMOC Award (Meanest Mother on the Court) for her hustle and leadership on the floor. Sophomore **Sydney Huntley-Rogers (Cincinnati, Ohio-Purcell Marian)** captured the Sixth Player Award while junior **Amanda Trethaway (San Francisco, Calif.-El Camino-Foothill C.C.)** earned the Most Improved Player award. Freshman **Paige Redditt (Belton, Mo.-Belton)** also took home the Coaches Award.

Senior **Amber Land (Kulm, N.D.-Kulm)** closed out her career with the Leadership Award and with the Scholar Athlete Award. Freshman **Kim Davis (Evanston, Ill.-Evanston Township)** made great strides throughout the season en route to earning the Hustle Award.

Statistical awards were distributed to Schrock for leading the team in steals (53), rebounds (7.4 per game) and free throw percentage (79.7 percent). Sophomore **De'Ja Wills (Anderson, Ind.-Anderson)** garnered the Three-point Percentage Award with a 34.1 percent clip. Huntley-Rogers took the assists award (118) and Redditt closed out the statistical awards with the Field Goal Percentage Award at 46.2 percent.

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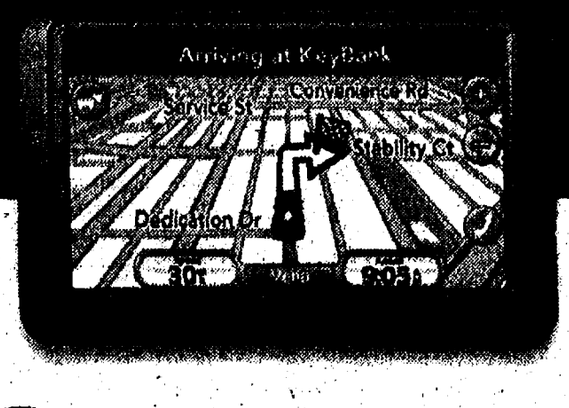

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EDITORIAL

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Political reform a big problem with education

The worst thing that ever happened to education is that the issue started popping up No. 1 or 2 in public opinion polls.

Every savvy politician concluded, since this is so important to the public, I better do something about this in order to get reelected.

Tim Skubick

That's when the problem began.

Gov. Bill Milliken created an Education Reform Commission in the 1970s, and in one form or another, governors and legislators have been trying to reform the system ever since.

And the upshot of all this is: Too many kids are still failing as Lansing continues to flail away at reform.

There's a bunch of "new" reforms floating around town in the latest permutation of revamping schools: Longer school years, mandatory Algebra II, smaller class sizes, boosting the dropout age, revamping what kids eat in school — and the list goes on and on.

All of these suggestions are well-intended as politicians truly want to improve education, but there are no silver bullets.

For example, lawmakers and Gov. Jennifer Granholm created new high school graduation standards. A laudable goal now being soundly rebuffed by some on the front lines who claim the standards look good on paper, but try applying them to human beings.

The push back has, of course, produced counterlegislation designed to reform the original reform. And if that passes, you can bet your boots in two years, someone will suggest that system should be changed, too.

Several years ago lawmakers eliminated the 180-day school year, and in an attempt at reform, they allowed schools to count minutes, not days, of education.

What did the reform produce?

"It's been abused," state school Supt. Mike Flanagan said, as he urges lawmakers to return to the 180-day calendar while China and India use a 220-day school year.

Charter schools are a textbook example of a reform that has produced a mixed bag, yet the push for more charters has gained renewed momentum from the White House on down.

Given the chance years ago to legalize a new charter school in Detroit with millions of dollars from an outside benefactor, Granholm and the Detroit Federation of Teachers locked arms at the schoolhouse door and killed the reform.

Now with President Barack Obama singing the praises of more charters, the governor has reversed her stance and warmly embraces more Detroit charters.

You would like to think that all this is about improving Johnny and Janey's education. But there are more sinister motives hidden beneath that altruistic facade.

Money, turf battles, cities vs. suburbs and the desire for raw power also are factors.

The recent power struggle over teacher health care costs pitted the Michigan Education Association against the rest of the education establishment and other unions including its own parent organization, the AFL-CIO.

The stated intent was to save health care dollars and redirect the savings into the classroom. But don't kid yourself. It also was about who could make more money off the insurance system.

Which brings us to a critical question: Is the political arena the best forum for improving education?

Nobody wants to debate that.

So politicians will continue with their reforms; the school community will try to influence the outcome; and somewhere along the line, maybe the kids will get a better education.

Maybe.

Tim Skubick blogs regularly at www.the newsherald.com.

Your take: Letters to the Editor

To the Editor: Wow. What can be said after reading Mr. Spink's letter on April 2?

As a mother of two, I am appalled that someone would suggest such ideas as "serious." If there is a plan to be had in those listed then why didn't Mr. Spink bring those to the School Board or write these ideas in the paper sooner?

My family lives in Chelsea because of the "hometown values" that are embedded in the community.

The idea of improving the school as a business by outsourcing or firing our current bus drivers, custodians, maintenance and cafeteria staff would be a great way to burden our community. The loss of jobs of our neighbors and friends would decrease the money put back into the community and local charities and increase the need of the use of those charities. Bringing strangers into our community to work at the schools wouldn't enhance the feeling of community or safety. Those ideals have brought and kept me here for over 14 years, even when my husband could have found a job in another state last year, after losing his.

I am comforted to know that when I drop my daughter at North Creek in the morning she is greeted by Mr. Houle, custodian, who attends our family church. Our friend, Mrs. Frayer, leads the bus drivers to care for our children on the way home and they are driven by many parents of students.

I wonder if Mr. Spink has walked the halls at North Creek where over 500 children crowd together every morning.

It is a great experience to see those excited eyes ready to learn in an environment put together just for their young needs. How can we mothball a school when we have put so much into them over the last 10 years to achieve these environments? Where would the kids physically fit?

I can not imagine fitting more kids into each classroom or having a teacher pressured to be accountable to teach over 30 children. Education research on class size has not been linked to test scores, but has been shown to affect many aspects that a parent values in education. A smaller class size improves students' behavior since they do not feel lost in the crowd.

Improved behavior leads to less disruption of teaching and more time to cover topics in depth. (www.heros-inc.org)

Our committed School Board has taken care of these buildings, parking lots, and amenities so our children have the best learning environment. I am for having a gym added to South Meadow to provide physical education that does not disrupt education time by having them bused to another location.

Mr. Spink thinks a Masters Degree, which costs a teacher thousands of dollars and many years to obtain is a ploy to earn more money. These specialized skills learned from a post graduate education is invaluable to the first grade student with a learning disability, which is many more kids than one realizes.

A few extra dollars can never repay what those teachers pass to our children. I suppose that an analogy would be going to a "doctor" which completed premed courses but never went to medical school. Why would one want a graduate degree or should one get paid more to treat illness?

I know this community, the School Board members, the teachers and the parents of children in Chelsea Schools. I have been involved in the schools since my oldest daughter entered kindergarten six years ago. I have attended the School Board Forums to help shape which initiatives will be addressed with this bond. They listened to the most financially conservative citizens that were present. There is no deceit to make money or to con anyone.

If one reads this local newspaper or [illegible] that the most "newsworthy" articles are about our children and their accomplishments they have achieved through the schools guidance and support. Education is the foundation for a community. I will vote YES on May 5 and encourage all who believe in Chelsea's values to do so as well.

Jennifer Dammeyer
Sylvan Township

To the Editor: The Chelsea Tax Day Tea Party had a little over 200 people attend on April 15 at Pierce Park at noon! What a great turn out and that makes me very proud of Chelsea. In particular, thanks go out to County Commissioner Mark Ouimet, who was a guest speaker and the only elected official of 4 invited to showed up. Please support him. There were Democrats and Republicans in attendance and it turned out to be a true non-partisan peaceful protest against the fiscal irresponsibility of our government.

The reason for these protests stemmed from the passing of the fiscally irresponsible and unread $700 billion stimulus package. We know that this type of debt will result in increased taxes and a loss of freedoms.

We need to send a message to our elected officials that the dictates of the government are the underlying causes of this crisis. Remember, we are the government and we cannot allow this neglect of our country to continue.

Few people have been paying attention to what the government has been doing over the years. Most were too selfish and self-absorbed to see past the ends of their noses. People are waking up now because the situation is affecting them individually. In the process of awakening they are opening their eyes to the real threats to our freedoms. The Administration is using the current crisis to create chaos so they have an [illegible] to grab more of our freedoms and grow government and power. If we allow it, these freedoms will never be enjoyed by our descendants.

The federal government is attacking the Constitution from all sides. If you believe in the Constitution, please join the movement. I urge you to please study the Constitution and learn the intent of our Founding Fathers. If our elected officials had followed the rule of law, laid out in our Constitution, we would not be in the mess we find ourselves in today.

If you wish to receive more information about the Tea Party movement you can email the state Tea Party coordinator at teapartyinfo@gmail.com or myself at tom@toppermost.info

Tom Diab
Chelsea

To the Editor: I think we need a new Dexter Village Council or one that serves

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STREET TALK

Are you a home gardener and if so, what are you planting this year?

"We always have to plant tomatoes. We're thinking of peas and pumpkins again. I will be growing my tomatoes for 4H."
LILY AND REGINA MAYNARD
CHELSEA

"We'll probably be choosing vegetables. We will also be planting flowers. We all have been gardening for a few years now."
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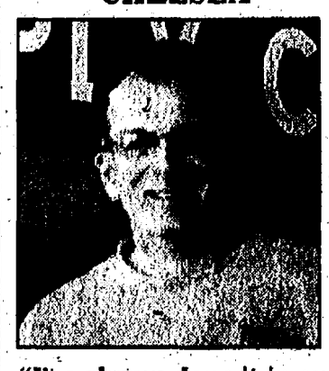

"I make an attempt every year. I plant a variety of vegetables from arugula to zucchini. The garden is going to be bigger than usual this year with a little bit of chicken manure tilled in."
GREG RAYE
CHELSEA

"I've always done it in one way or another. I'm thinking about your basic carrots, potatoes, and beans this year. Basically, what everyone will eat. I've also been adding fruit trees over that last few years."
LARRY SIVRAIS
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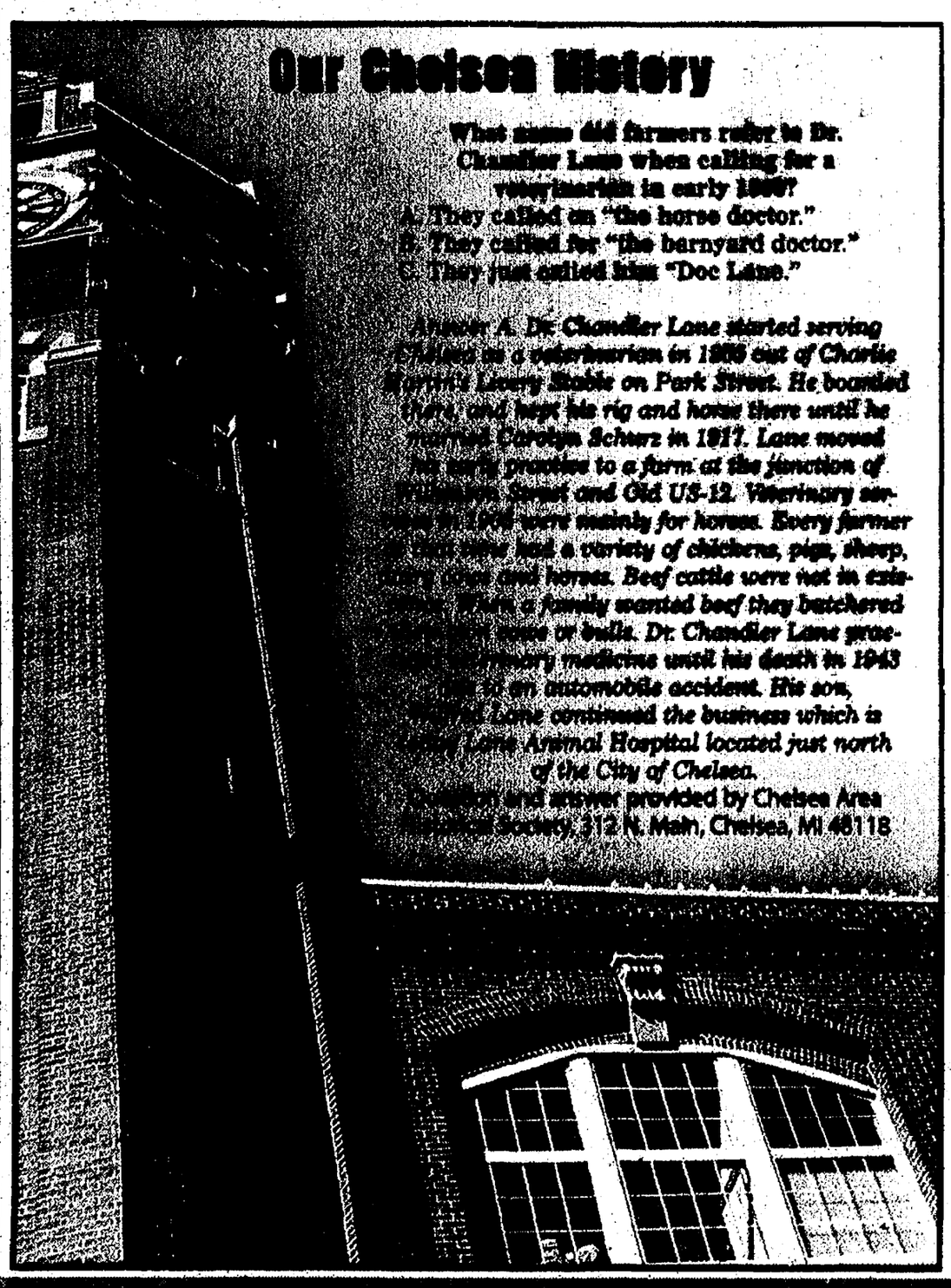

What name did farmers refer to Dr. Chandler Lane when calling for a veterinarian in early 1900?
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B. They called for "the barnyard doctor."
C. They just called him "Doc Lane."

Answer A. Dr. Chandler Lane started serving Chelsea as a veterinarian in 1898 out of Charlie Hoffman's Livery Stable on Park Street. He boarded there, and kept his rig and horse there until he married Carolyn Schurz in 1917. Lane moved his early practice to a farm at the junction of Fletcher Street and Old US-12. Veterinary services then were mainly for horses. Every farmer had a variety of chickens, pigs, sheep, cows and horses. Beef cattle were not in existence. When a family wanted beef they butchered one of their cows or bulls. Dr. Chandler Lane practiced veterinary medicine until his death in 1943 [illegible] an automobile accident. His son, [illegible] Lane continued the business which is [illegible] Lane Animal Hospital located just north of the City of Chelsea.
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the best interest of all residents. Their decision to not put up four-way stop signs at Fifth and Dover and the reason given are both absurd. So they are going to wait until someone gets killed and then files a big lawsuit before they do the right thing. I think it's time for a recall of all parties involved.

Where is the Sheriff Dept. in the morning or in the evening. I rarely see them at peak times of the day anywhere in the village. And I know for a fact that few people stop for any stop signs anywhere in the village.

I think, and I'm sure a lot of other folks do too, that something needs to be done soon in regards to the speeding and running of stop signs in the village. And if the Council can't get the job done, then they need to find work elsewhere. The residents are getting fed up with the do-nothing attitude of the Village Council.

Gary A Allan
Dexter

To the Editor: My name is Gabe Altomare and I am a member of Boy Scout troop 448. I am working to complete my Eagle Scout project this summer, the last requirement to earn the rank of Eagle, the highest achievement in Boy Scouts.

I am working with a non-profit organization called Friends of Wildlife, who specialize in rehabilitating domesticated or injured animals to survive in the wild. The final stage of this process involves the animals living outside in special cages, so that they can get used to the outdoors while still being protected. The amount of animals a rehabilitator can handle at once depends upon how many cages they have. The goal of my project is to build another cage, to increase their capacity.

The Boy Scouts require that funding for a project come from donations –not from the friends or family of the scout. In normal times, local businesses have been able to donate materials to a scout as a charitable contribution. However, with the current economic slump, the businesses that could donate materials (hardware, lumber) have, in most cases, been limited to offering discounts off the purchases of materials.

This leaves me with the task of raising funds instead of materials. It occurred to me that there may be businesses that normally couldn't donate "project specific" materials, but who would like to support this project in some other way.

So I would like to invite local businesses that may be interested in hearing more about making a tax deductible contribution to my Eagle project to call 734-426-2327, or email me at gabechat@charter.net. Thank you very much for your help in difficult times.

Gabe Altomare
Dexter

To the Editor: This letter is a response to the column by Tim Skubick (April 16).

He writes about a media event that occurred 19 months ago – why wait until now to bring it up? I have no information that could take issue with his story. I must, however, take issue with his treatment of Congressman Ron Paul.

Ron Paul is a 10-term Congressman from Texas, but he is not your typical "professional" politician. He served as a flight surgeon in the U.S. Air Force in the 60's, and has delivered more than 4,000 babies in his career as an obstetrician.

Ron Paul did not go to Congress to get rich. In his 20 years in Congress he has never voted to raise Congressional pay, never taken a government paid junket and does not participate in the "cushy" retirement plan Congress has voted for itself. He has never voted for a tax increase. He voted against the Patriot Act, against regulating the Internet and against the Iraq War. (Needles to say, this does not endear him to neo-con Republicans.)

Do you remember the very early Republican debates – the platform crowded with presidential candidates? Well, that's when I personally first heard him. All the other candidates beautifully presented their "talking points," but Ron Paul communicated! He was on top of all the issues!

In polling that took place after these debates, I was not the only one impressed! Out of seven – or was it eight – candidates – he gathered 33 percent of the votes, with Huckabee and Guiliani coming in next at 15 and 16 percent. Of course with so many candidates, it only makes sense to narrow the field. You would expect the lowest ranking to be eliminated, and the highest ranking to remain, but no! For some mysterious reason, Fox News cut Ron Paul out of the New Hampshire debate. And the rest is history. Welcome President Obama!

Tim Skubick, in discussing Ron Paul at some political event, says he was "trying to suck up as much free media as he could." (That's what you do when you're running for office, Tim!) Then he goes on to describe Paul's supporters at the event as "drinking the Kool Aid" (That's a pretty serious metaphor, Tim!)

Even the New York Times once wrote that Ron Paul is a candidate who "cannot be bought by special interests." So what about him bothers you, Tim? And why now?

Beulah Williamson
Dexter

To the Editor: At their March 19, 2009 meeting, the Board of Directors of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce (CACC) unanimously voted to support the Chelsea School District's 2009 Bond Proposal. The school district's bond proposal will be on the May 5 school election ballot. The CACC encourages everyone to go to the polls that day and to vote Yes for the bond proposal.

The committee supporting the bond proposal is named Our Children Our Community Our Future. The committee's name aptly expresses the reason the CACC decided to support the school district's bond proposal. That is, our children are the future of our community. A high performing school system that produces high-achieving students is the foundation for a vibrant community, economically and culturally. A vibrant community attracts business and business provides employment for all, including our graduates.

In these economically challenging times, we must support our schools. Our children are depending on us. The future of our community is in our hands now. The CACC encourage you to vote Yes on the Chelsea School District's 2009 Bond Proposal on May 5.

Robert Pierce
Executive Director, CACC

SCHOOLS

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Most of the money that the county received is earmarked for IDEA and Title 1 funding – the latter of which is for supporting early education programs, such as K-4 reading.

In addition to Dexter's $665,000, Chelsea will receive $602,000 in additional IDEA funds and $75,000 in Title 1 money, Saline will receive a $1.04 million IDEA increase, Manchester is getting $275,000 and Whitmore Lake is getting a $883,000 IDEA increase in addition to $82,354 in Title 1-A funds from the stimulus package.

"The problem is that we can't spend (the money) on general education, because of the regulations on IDEA for maintenance," Glass said. "If you put something in place you have to maintain it. Once that money is no longer available (from the government) we would not be able to do that. We cannot afford to maintain (that expansion)."

Glass said he is still waiting to hear something at the state level tell him that the restrictions will be lifted so he can inject the funds into the district's budget and reduce or eliminate potential teacher staff cuts.

Schauer did say in his release, with attribution to the House Education and Labor Committee that the guidelines for the funding "confirm that while states allocate funds, it should be up to local school districts and colleges and universities to decide how to use this emergency aid, not up to states.

"The guidelines also reaffirmed that state stabilization funds should be used for three purposes: to backfill harmful cuts to K-12 and higher education, to stave off teacher layoffs, and to modernize school facilities – which could create new jobs."

Schauer's office mentioned no details about relaxing the fund restrictions. It went on to describe what IDEA and Title 1 are, adding that "the funds appropriated through the Recovery Plan are distributed through the previously defined IDEA and Title 1 formulas."

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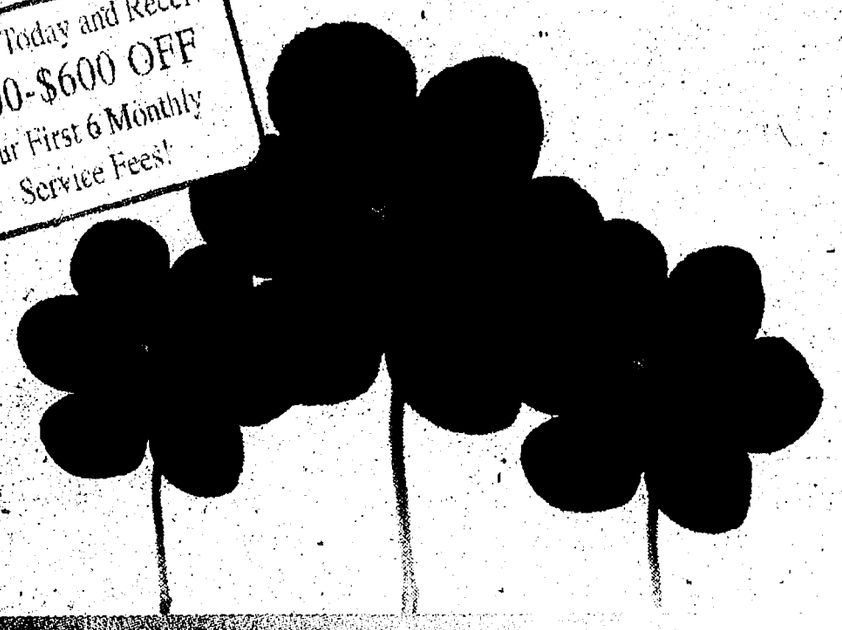

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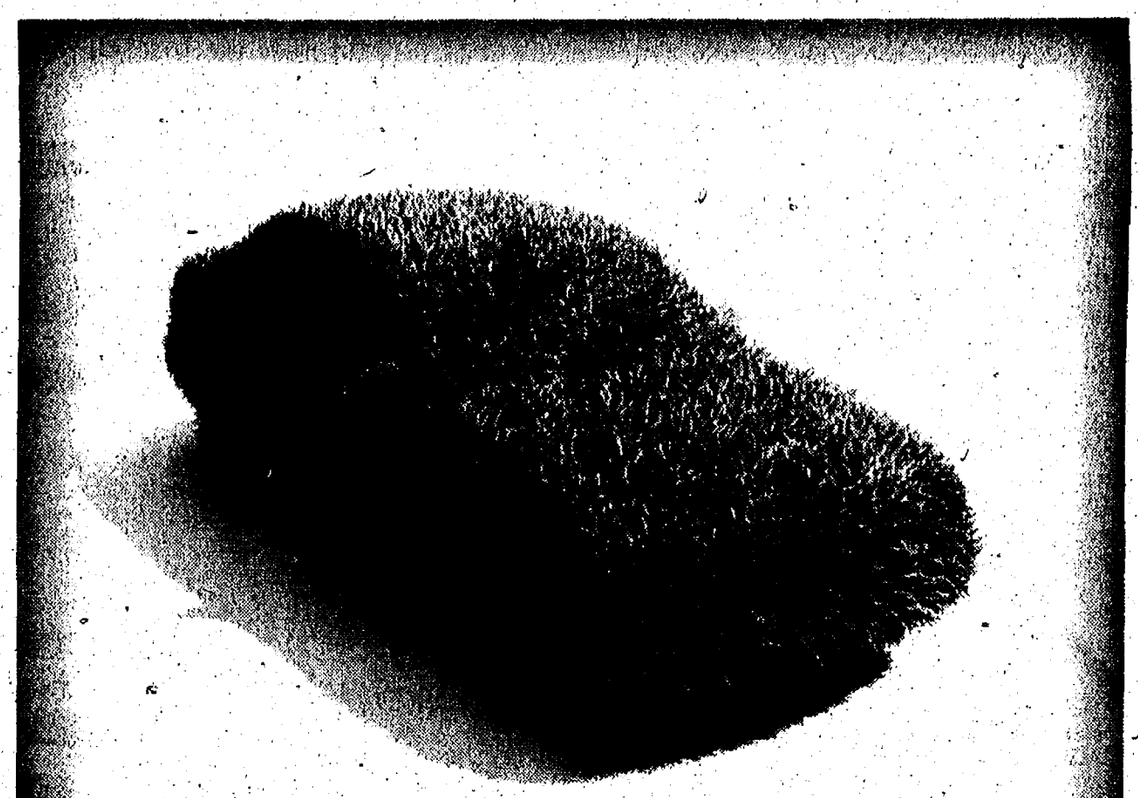

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Glass would like to believe that means he can use the money freely, but the exact dollar amounts districts will receive have been "constantly fluctuating," he said. In fact, Killips provided the aforementioned dollar amount that Chelsea would be receiving, which differed from those in Schauer's release.

"We're just going to wait until there is more clarity,' Glass said. Adding that he would like to spend additional Title 1 money if his district received it.

"It would allow us to support programs for early reading and math for K-4 grades ... we received a little more this year, but next year it's expected to be decreased," he said. "We're scheduled for a cut. We're using that money to fund 1.5 teachers in the early grades to help kids at Bates, Cornerstone and Wylie."

He's hoping the money will be free enough to backfill those cuts even if the money is issued through the IDEA program.

Killips, already having to sign off on a 12.4 reduction to his teaching staff – affecting 13 employees – said the money won't bring everyone, if anyone, back in a best case scenario.

"Even if they give us some flexibility in the money I know it won't be total flexibility," he said.

His office is operating under the assumption that all of the details will be revealed and questions answered by July 1, although the picture isn't pretty right now.

"Early indicators are that they are not going to relax the rules," he said.

Killips' understanding at this point matches Glass' understanding.

"The money is really there to provide some new programming for kids and the question we have is are we going to provide it for two years and this money runs out," he said. "How is that really going to stimulate the economy as far as education is concerned?"

Killips says he isn't sure how many of his laid-off teachers have the many certifications and qualifications necessary to work in a special education program.

"Bringing teachers back into those special education positions would depend on highly qualified status ... right now we're looking at options and how that would help us," he said.

Even if Chelsea can recall some teachers, Killips described the effect as "minimal."

He added that he agrees with other areas of the stimulus package from what he has seen.

"I think the part that is dealing with the infrastructure for states is going to create jobs and I think as soon as people are working and have some money in their pocket they will be willing to spend and help the circulation process," Killips said. "But the money we're receiving in education is not going to be a stimulus package as far as creating jobs."

Killips said he could make that happen if he has the flexibility and receives the information earlier.

"Right now we're piecing a puzzle together," he said.

Glass said his approach to handling such an unprecedented capital injection by the federal government is to maintain a conservative outlook and just assume that there will be little money, although he maintains a glimmer of optimism.

"When it's all said and done my belief is that there is going to be a little something there, but we're planning for the worst and hoping for the best," Glass said.

Rare Earth to perform in Chelsea

"Get Ready" Chelsea 'cause Rare Earth is coming to town this summer!

The Motown R&B legends will be performing a live benefit concert for the Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights entertainment series on Thursday, July 23. The outdoor event will be held under cover behind The Common Grill Restaurant. Gates will open at 7 p.m. Detroit headliner band The Howling Diablos will open the concert. The event is sponsored by Chelsea State Bank.

General admission tickets are $35 in advance ($40 at the gate) and go on sale May 1 at The Common Grill, the Chelsea Center for the Arts (CCA), Chelsea Market, and Cranesbill Books. There are also special VIP tickets available for $100. VIP tickets may be purchased at The Common Grill or CCA. Tickets may also be purchased by calling the CCA at 734-433-ARTS, or online at chelseacenterforthearts.org. A major portion of each ticket purchase is tax deductible. All proceeds go to Sounds & Sights to help cover operating costs and performer fees.

"We expect this concert to be even bigger and better than the Mitch Ryder concert was last year," says Craig Common, Sounds & Sights chairman. "We wanted a nationally-known Michigan band that is very entertaining live...and Rare Earth fits that perfectly. And, the Howling Diablos have a huge following. They've played with Kid Rock and other big-name acts, and has previously opened for Rare Earth."

The concert is open to all ages. There will be beer, wine, soft drinks, and food for sale. Wrist bands will be given to ticket holders 21 years and older upon entering the concert grounds.

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In 1968, Rare Earth was the first white group to sign a recording contract with Motown Records. The band's hit singles dotted the music charts from 1969 to 1974 with such classics as "Big Brother," "Born to Wander," "Tobacco Road," "Losin' You," and "I Just Want To Celebrate," a song still heard today in television commercials for AT&T. Their hit "Get Ready" remained on the hit charts for almost three years.

The Howling Diablos rockin, funky, blues jam style is well known in the Detroit area and everywhere they have toured, as a great live music experience. Since their formation in the 1990's they have toured with and opened for acts including George Clinton's Parliament Funkadelic, Alice Cooper, Albert Collins, Ben Harper, Hank Williams Jr., NRBQ, Incubus, The James Gang, and our headliner - Rare Earth.

Sounds & Sights kicks off its 2009 series on Thursday June 25 and runs through Sept. 3.

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Opinion

Will we miss newspapers if they eventually die off?

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just this week, Gannett announced the closing of five Observer & Eccentric Newspapers in the Detroit area. Last month, the Ann Arbor News announced it is closing in the summer, and the Detroit News and Detroit Free Press both have rolled back daily home delivery to just three days a week.

By Jason Salzman

In late February, I had just finished writing my twice-monthly media column for the Rocky Mountain News in Denver when I got an e-mail announcing that the newspaper would be closing the very next day.

My column, which I had already submitted to my editor, was about how reporters were letting state Republicans get away with empty statements about how they planned to fix Colorado's highway mess. They were attacking the Democratic governor's plan to fix unsafe bridges, but the Republicans had no plan of their own. Reporters were covering the Republican attacks but not pointing out that they lacked a plan for a problem they agreed was serious.

So with the Rocky closing, my column would never run. Neither would the other stories that were planned or already written.

One Rocky reporter, Laura Frank, wrote in the Rocky's final edition about her articles that were ready to be published in the next few editions, which would never exist.

"We had stories ready to go on abused children in state custody, alleged misuse of public money, and the future of the energy boom in our state," Frank wrote.

So, the abused kids are still out there, and so is their story, but it may never be told because the newspaper is gone. The public money is probably still being abused, and who knows?

Frank also wrote that on the last day of her job, she got a call from a citizen who wanted to contact a public official who was quoted in a previous story Frank wrote. Another citizen wrote Frank and asked that she investigate something. When journalism dies, fewer news tips get investigated. Fewer public officials are called by citizens. Stories don't get told. Information remains private, stuck in databanks. Corruption goes unnoticed.

But when stories are never told, never see the light of day, their absence isn't missed as deeply. And so the closure of a newspaper is missed less than you might expect by a community.

It seems that the loss of journalism is less tangible than, for example, the loss of a factory or a restaurant.

Newspapers themselves are products, but the journalism they contain is so current, so forward-looking, that its absence seems to have less impact on a community than it should.

When you start thinking about it, maybe that's why there's little panic in America over the dismantling or outright disappearance of newspapers across the country, and about the hits that serious journalism is taking on TV, radio and elsewhere.

Journalism faces a crisis, yet its slow death isn't being taken seriously enough.

It makes you wonder if there will be a tipping point, when the absence of journalism will be felt so deeply that the depth of the loss of a newspaper like the Rocky Mountain News will be felt with the force that it deserves to be felt by the community.

Denver still has a good daily newspaper, after all, in The Denver Post. So things could be much worse. -But will people realize how much worse things are when we reach that point?

Jason Salzman is the author of Making the News: A Guide for Nonprofits and Activists, and board chair of Rocky Mountain Media Watch, a Denver-based media watchdog organization.

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"Our first store in the cornfield supported our family and grew through this franchise brand," says Debi. "After a year and a half of very hard work we were able to support our family and grew this franchise from sales at our stores. We've never had investors."

And they've never looked back.

Today, Bearclaw includes 27 locations and another seven in development. Franchise applicants continue to lineup at their door and the business continues to make (bear) tracks even in this difficult economy.

"This is crazy," Debi says, leaning forward and putting her elbows on the table as if she is going to pray that this never stops. "This is fun. This is insane. We are looking at a 20-store development for Korea right now. From a cornfield in a shack to 20 stores in Korea."

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Humble beginnings

Bearclaw Coffee Co. served its first cup of coffee in June 2002, from a little log cabin beside a cornfield on a quiet corner in Dexter Township. It was here, by the Potawatomi Trail, where Debi and Doug Scroggins made espresso and specialty coffee drinks from morning 'til night for the customers of their drive-through gourmet coffee shop.

Doug and Debi first met while employed by Northwest Airlines. Debi was a customer service supervisor and Doug was an equipment service chief.

"Doug and I never thought we would be entrepreneurs," Debi said. "We both worked for Northwest and had great lives. But what really started the whole thing was that he had a lot of family in Alaska. And we went back and forth to Alaska all the time and saw a plethora of double-drive through espresso bars. They were everywhere. We would come home to Michigan and there was nothing."

Self-acclaimed coffee junkies, the couple became hooked on the convenient and unique concept.

"In 2000, while we were living out in Dexter, Doug saw this little shack in a cornfield," Debi said. "He went in there and asked if they had ever thought about selling. Doug offered $30,000 and the owner agreed. So he comes home and tells me he just bought an espresso bar in a shack in a cornfield at the corner of Dexter-Pinckney and North Territorial."

Doug and Debi, who had worked for Northwest for a combined 35 years, decided to accept early retirement packages and make a mid-career change.

"We don't know anything about coffee and we don't have any money," Debi says.

But armed with great credit and a detailed business plan drawn up by Doug, the couple approached the banks looking for a loan to help get their business up and running. They were excited and energized by the opportunity to bring the drive-thru specialty coffee concept to Michigan.

"We were turned down," Debi says. "Somehow, we need to come up with $30,000, do a logo development, we need to source coffee. So $120,000 later we had a shack in a cornfield that was a fabulous espresso bar."

The first day they opened, they had about five customers.

"But worked hard and stuck with it and we kept our day jobs," Debi says. "And after that first year we started to turn a profit."

The couple believed that doing things right from the beginning would pay off in the end.

In preparation for future growth, they worked with coffee consultants, selected vendors carefully and focused on the creation of a comprehensive business plan. The couple spent their money wisely on the design of a full-scale employee training program and operations manual, and focused on details such as trademark rights and menu design.

As for the cool Bearclaw name and logo, these grew out of a family joke. Despite his numerous trips to Alaska, Doug, an avid outdoorsman, was the only family member who had yet to see a bear.

Prior to opening their first Bearclaw store, some folks expressed concern that farmers wouldn't buy lattes and cappuccinos. But, Doug and Debi made sure to offer a menu with a wide variety, so, the concern was a non-issue. The appetite for specialty coffee helped business to flourish.

"We were pretty serious about that little shack in the cornfield," Debi says. "We thought that if we did well, we could have two or three or four locations down the road."

Local help

"You always here today that you can't get loans from banks," Debi says. "When we started out, we went to all the big banks. Name the top five banks at the time and we were there and they didn't want anything to do with us. We were a young, growing company and we were too risky to them."

So on a whim, Debi and Doug walked into their small town bank on the corner. Turns out the little bank has a big vision and even bigger confidence in good ideas and smart people.

"We went to Chelsea State Bank and because we were local and knew our story, they believed in us," Debi says. "That bank has done more for us than any other investor you could possibly imagine. They have backed us and stood by us and it's all part of being a Chelsea-community based business. They really put themselves out there for us."

Debi admits that when she walked through the doors of the Chelsea State Bank she thought walking out of there with any money was a long shot at best.

"That first year when we got turned down we went to 401K, home equity, credit

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cards and a couple tiny loans because we couldn't get funding from a bank," she said. "We put ourselves out there and worked very, very hard. In that first year, when we started to turn a profit, that's when we wanted to open stores two and three and approached Chelsea State Bank.

"They saw that we had done the right things, they saw the nice hockey stick that showed we had good growth and they said we will work with you for that second store. Then they worked with us for the third store and then they worked with us to help grow our franchise brand."

Debi doesn't believe Bearclaw could have grown like it has without the help of John Mann and Mary Lee Penney at Chelsea State Bank.

"And when other banks were turning down potential franchises, since Chelsea State Bank knew us and believed in us, they even backed them," Scroggins said. "And because of this support, we are very loyal to those who believed in us in the beginning. We never forget who believed in us in the beginning."

And there were doubters in the beginning. Friends and family who thought they wouldn't make it. Whispers that Scroggins was crazy to quit her great job and open a coffee shop.

"Some people even thought I had gone nuts because of what happened to my son," she says. "They thought I had lost my mind and was freaking out by quitting my job. Even some close family members thought we were nuts."

Spreading their wings

Their first location did so well, that Doug and Debi decided to open a second store in beautiful South Haven, Michigan, where they enjoyed summer vacations.

"A Chelsea couple who owned the Old Harbor Inn in South Haven approached us about opening an espresso bar in the hotel," Debi says.

After a great three-year run, the Bearclaw espresso bar moved out of South Haven. But others were quickly popping up all over the state. The line to own a Bearclaw location was starting to grow.

"We had a lot of customers and friends coming up to us, saying that this was a real cool business and asking us how they could open one," Debi says.

The couple's phenomenal attention to detail had laid the groundwork and created a perfect operating model for a Bearclaw Coffee Co. franchise. The franchising idea grew out of satisfied customers' repeatedly expressing the desire to open their own Bearclaw stores.

The first Bearclaw franchise opened in 2003.

"We didn't know anything about franchising when we decided to start franchising," Debi says. "Our first three franchise deals consisted of a handshake and a two-page deal. We learned later that a franchise document is 150 pages and we didn't know this until we had gotten to our fourth franchise.

"To this day, we have three franchise owners out there that are on a two-page agreement and a handshake that pay no royalties. We still honor the commitment we made with them."

These three deals don't pay Debi anything. "They are great people and wonderful franchise owners that work very hard and give the Bearclaw name a great reputation. They validate the name. So we do get that from them."

Doug and Debi provide franchisees with help on a variety of issues, including site selection, logistics, marketing and training. In return, franchisees are asked to keep the campy feel of the original store design, and drive-through locations are encouraged, where possible. In addition to drive-through stores, the growing network also boasts a number of sit-down and hybrid stores.

Heartbreak

Debi's son Brett was a junior at Detroit Catholic Central when he was killed Feb. 19, 1999 in an automobile accident right in front of Hudson-Mills Metropark. He was 17 years old.

"It looked as if he veered off the road trying to avoid a deer," Debi says. "He hit a tree and broke his neck."

"I really believe it's part of the reason for our success in business," Debi says. "When you've been through something that's so life changing and painful and off the charts, that you don't let the little things worry you. You just take care of them.

"I understand the things that matter and the things that don't. I'm much more balanced on a whole. We wanted to set an example for ourselves and our son that there is still life out there."

The wings in the Bearclaw logo represent Brett's spirit.

"The wings in the logo mean that the angels are watching over us," she says. "He had studied in London, Sweden, Paris ... he was an old soul. He was a heck of a kid. He loved to travel and see the world."

Despite such a devastating loss, Debi knew that her family had to keep living.

"We were very restless for a couple years after that happened and looking for direction" she says. "This was something we threw ourselves into very positively.

"You only get two choices after something like this. You go through the grieving stage, but when you have another son, he doesn't deserve to lose a mother, too. We expected him to go to school and continue on with his life and he needed to see us doing the same thing."

Their other son, David Poupard, graduated from Chelsea High School in 2001 and the University of Michigan and currently lives in Chicago. Poupard was the captain of the Chelsea varsity hockey team during his years as a Bulldog.

"He's a great kid and a ton of fun," Debi says.

The future

The franchise fee for Bearclaw in 2009 is now $24,500 and royalties are 6 percent. The fee includes training and the rights to the logo. Their latest franchise was just purchased by the Hilton Corporation for a location in the downtown Detroit Doubletree Guest Suites.

"That has been a huge location for us," Debi says. "It opened in December and is part of the historic Fort Shelby renovation in Detroit."

When perspective franchise owners come to Scroggins and talk about Bearclaw and possible locations, she wants to know where they are from and what they do in their community. It all comes back to that first store "in the corn field."

"Open a store where you live, work and do business," she says. "You are then working with your local bank and you know them and they know you and you have a relationship and they trust you. I

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always encourage them to stay local."

Scroggins said she is constantly seeing great locations for possible stores.

"We don't have a life anymore," she says. "Every time we go anywhere we see places we think would make great locations. And now, since we've been so successful, people are bringing locations to us. I get at least three or four calls every day from people with hot locations. And there are some hot locations out there."

And while the economy isn't exactly hot, Scroggins says now is a good time to do business.

"We are negotiating some amazing leases right now and we also are negotiating rent reductions right now," she said. "So it's a great time to be in business because of the great leases. There are leases out there right now that I would have paid three times for a few years ago."

A hot location, the right personality and the required capital is only the beginning of the franchise process. Scroggins has a name and reputation to protect.

"We can't set you up to fail, we have to set you up to be successful," she said. "We haven't always been perfect, but we have been working very hard to get better at it. We don't always make the right decisions. But, on the other hand, you're in business for yourself, but not by yourself. A franchise owner determines their success."

The best bit of advice Debi ever received, and she's had quite a few mentors over the years, was from the farmer who they leased their first property from.

"He said to always honor your posted hours," she says. "This means to honor your brand promise. It means honoring your customers that come in every day. If they come in at 5 in the morning, they expect you to be there. And if you're not, then you lose their trust. And you won't get it back."

About a year and a half after opening the shack in the cornfield and just after opening their second location, Debi and Doug started to see that they were really on to something that could really take off. And while all this success is wonderful, Debi admits she's not surprised it has worked out this way.

"No was never an option for us and failure is not in my vocabulary," Debi says. "If I'm failing it's because I'm not working hard enough. It's that simple. I never thought we weren't going to make it.

"But I can never rest on my laurels. You have to fight for every bit of success and especially in this economy and especially in this state. We work very hard every day because there are always competitors clipping at my heals ready to take over. They are always out there."

To start in 2002 and have 27 locations in 2009 is impressive, but not remarkable. It's not a franchise record by any means. And that's been by design.

"We have been very cautious when it comes to growing," Debi says. "And we are starting to say no to people a lot more often. When we first started, it was 'come on in.' But now we look at a lot of different things before we approve a franchise."

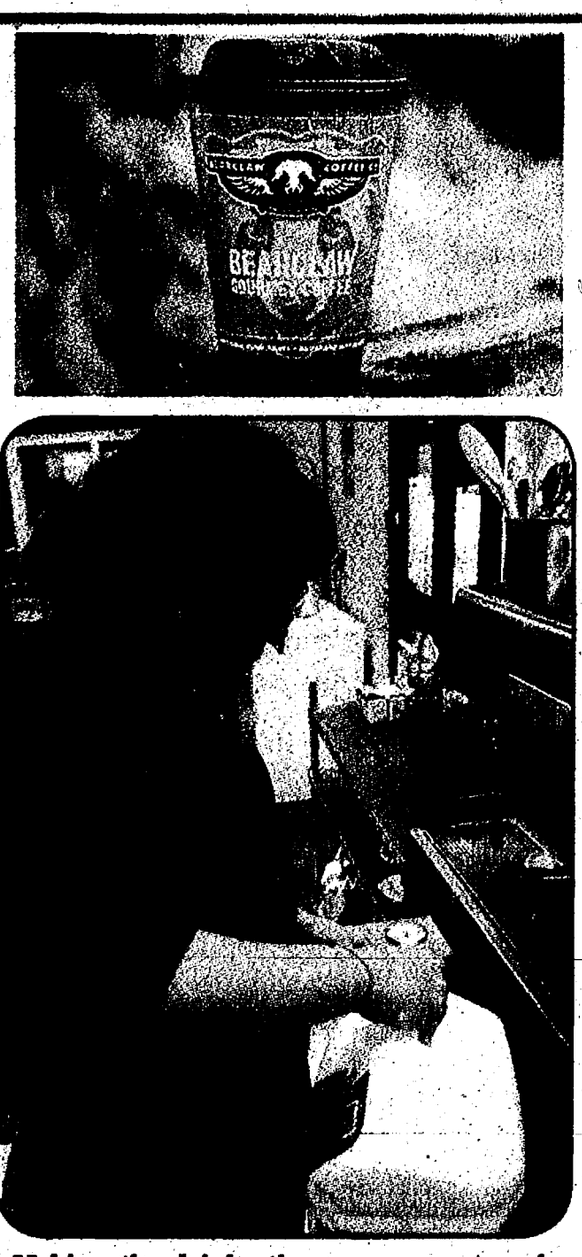
And how many more do they see themselves approving before they pour their last cup?

"I'm sure there is an exit strategy down the road for us at some point," Debi says. "And we've had some discussions about merging with another coffee chain. Or merging with a company such as a quick-serve sandwich chain. Or do we want to merge with a chocolate company. Seventy percent of our business is before 11 in the morning. So we are here, how can we best utilize the space and make the most out of the rest of the day?"

Debi says that "founders" can only take the company so far.

"A time will come when we have to start looking at different opportunities," Debi says. "And that time might come when we reach 50 locations."

From a shack in a cornfield to 50 locations. All from hard work, smart decisions and community support. And, of course, a little help from the angel looking over them.



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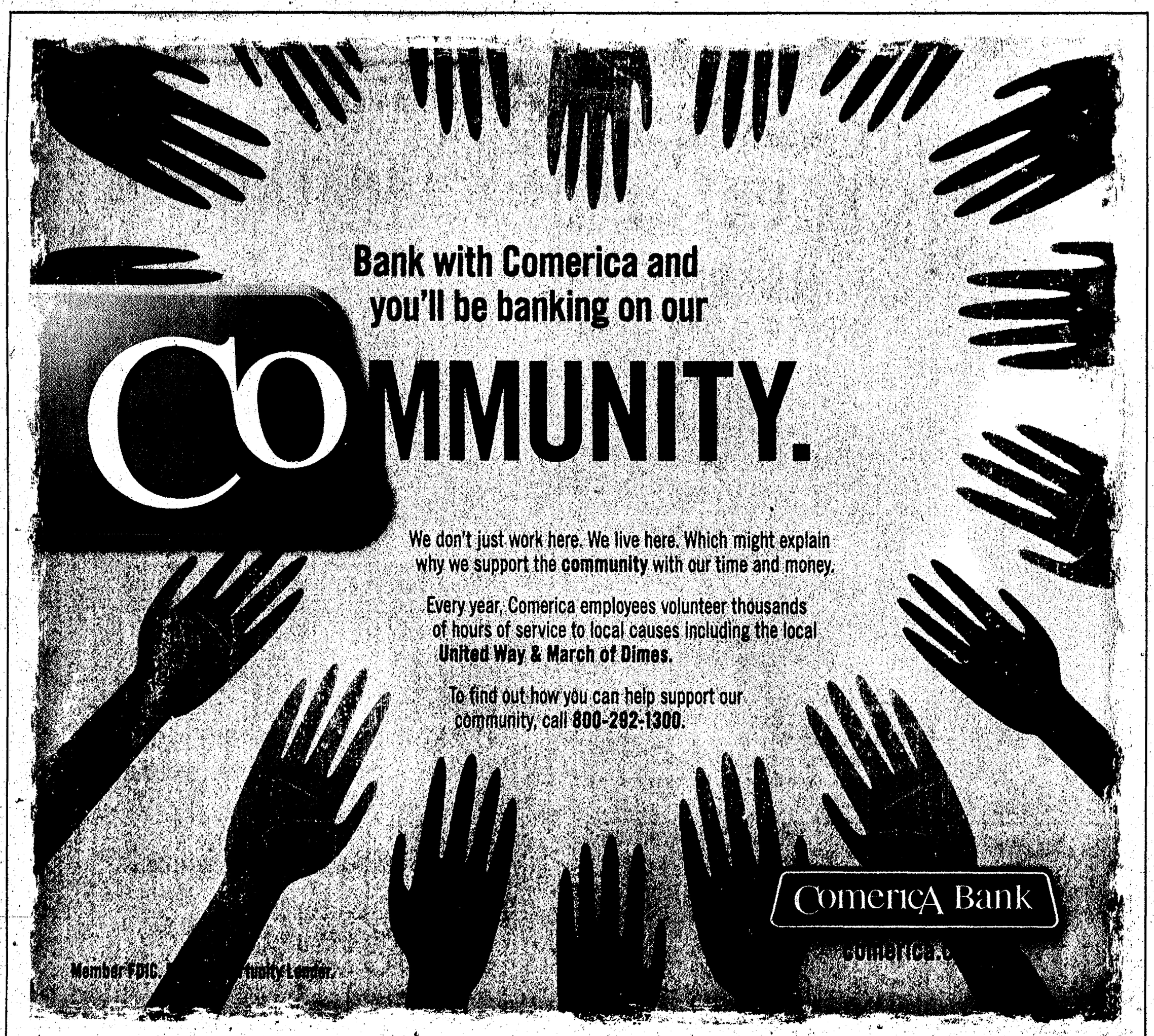

CHS student Zoe Suffety is busy editing at EN Creative.

CPTN SRSLY hits the big screen, seriously

Chelsea Community Hospital's program, SRSLY, is taking it up a notch. The arrival of CPTN SRSLY is to see the big screen and your television set right in your home.

SRSLY is a program to help prevent high risk behaviors by teens between the ages of 10 and 15. The director of the program, Reiley Lewis, is teamed up with Edgar Norman Creative an advertising agency in Chelsea to get CPTN SRSLY's show on the road.

Edgar Norman Creative's Todd and Janice Ortbring are sponsoring a student by the name of Zoe Suffety. Chelsea High School's mentorship program with ENC allows Zoe to work on a campaign while learning the ways of the advertising career.

"It's a pleasure to have Zoe working with us. She is a close family friend and a smart girl who is very interested in the topic," says owner of ENC, Janice Ortbring.

"As part of the campaign we would like to introduce CPTN SRSLY. He is going to be seen in a series of nine short films that will cover factual information from the Chelsea youth and be set at a time when middle school to high school kids drink such as, spring break, bonfires, dances, etc."

The "shorts" will be shown on channel 18, the Chelsea channel, as a way to teach parents and their kids about the high risk behaviors out their and their negative impact.

"I think this is a great opportunity for not only me but for Chelsea to learn more about the behaviors going on," Zoe said. "They have been going on too long and it has been put on the back burner until now."

These short films will be produced and edited by Zoe. The idea is the CPTN SRSLY is here to inform others of the cold hard facts with help from his two sidekicks, Christie and Ally. Each of them brings something to the table. Christie is in love with Chaz, who is a freshman student by day and CPTN SRSLY when needed; she is here to help with the information and is a good friend to Chaz. Ally is the smarter of the two and feeds the actual facts that have been polled about the high risk behaviors being taken by Chelsea youth.

Through CPTN SRSLY and these short films, it is our goal to incorporate factual information so that it can be seen what exactly teens of ages 10-15 are getting into. It is seen that going into high school can become a gateway to high risk situation and behaviors. This is important that during this time of change we get this information out there in a fun way that grabs the attention of the students but can also entertain.

More information on SRSLY can be found at www.srslychelsea.org or e-mail Zoe Suffety at zoesuffety@yahoo.com.

Mardi Gras

Band fund-raiser fun for all

You have got to experience it to appreciate it. While it's later than the famous New Orleans Mardi Gras, this local event is just as fun and a whole lot more wholesome for the whole family.

The Chelsea Band program is sponsoring a fundraiser everyone enjoys being a part of. The band students from beginners to high School get a chance to perform and the audience is treated to food, a silent auction, music everywhere, and you can bring the young and old and stay as long as you like.

The Beach Middle School Jazz Band and the Chelsea High School Jazz Band as well as smaller groups on various stages in Beach Middle School perform throughout the evening from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, April 25 at Beach Middle School. The cost is $5 and band students have already started selling tickets. Guests can also pay at the door.

The money raised goes to the band program for such things as to pay guest musicians to come in, and work with students, pay for the music played at concerts, pay for instrument repairs and many other things.

"Come and have some fun for a great cause," says Jim Otto, director of the Beach Middle School bands. "In these tough economic times, it is a great way to take the family out and not spend a ton of money."

CHELSEA HISTORY: HONORING OUR VETERANS

Purple Heart

Chelsea's Reed wounded serving in World War II

By Cynthia Furlong Reynolds
Special Writer

Born on May 1, 1925, Robert C. Reed dropped out of high school in the ninth grade, to care for his critically ill mother. Drafted two months after he turned 18. Private Reed lost an eye and three fingers during combat in Sicily while serving with the 551st Parachute Infantry Regiment, 83rd Airborne. He lived entirely on C- and K-rations during his tour of duty in Sicily; the Army first tested its new meal concept on the paratroopers. Private Reed was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Europe-Africa ME, World War II Victory medal, and American Campaign medal. They are framed and hang in a place of honor in his home. A member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Purple Heart, and Disabled American Veterans, he serves on the Washtenaw County Honor Guard, saluting veterans during burial ceremonies.

Robert Reed served with the 551st Parachute Infantry Regiment, 83rd Airborne.

Sometimes it's hard for me to talk about the war. It means bringing up memories that I'd like to keep away...

During the Depression, my family lived on a farm we rented on Werkner Road. We raised 300 chickens and we ate chickens seven days a week—to this day I can't eat chicken. I didn't know the different between poor and rich in those days, but we were lucky that my Dad had a job. He worked at the Hoover Ball Bearing Plant in Chelsea, making $16 a week. Later he guarded the prisoners who worked at the Schimdt Plant. I don't remember when I heard about Pearl Harbor. We had no radio and we didn't take a newspaper.

I was drafted, but I didn't mind—I was about to enlist anyway. I was inducted at Fort Custer in Jackson on August 19, 1943. In those days, people called me "Sunny." According to Army records, I was 5'6" and 160 pounds at that time.

On August 25, I arrived at Camp Croft, in Spartansburg, South Carolina. It was my first time out of Michigan. We were supposed to train for thirteen weeks, but the Allies were desperate for men, so they shipped us out after eight weeks. I remember KP duty, guard duty, and training with rifles and bayonets. I'd hunted a bit, so guns weren't foreign to me. The training was tough, but probably the worst part was getting all the shots the Army gives you.

In boot camp, I volunteered for the paratroopers. I joined the 83rd Airborne, and attended jump school at Fort Benning, Georgia. It was a lot of fun. For many soldiers, being able to parachute out of planes was a fantasy, but a lot of men who volunteered didn't make the grade.

We started out by jumping without a parachute from the body of a C47 that was on the ground. Then we jumped from a tower 150 feet up, using a parachute. One out of three men couldn't do that. Then we went into the air. We had to make at least five jumps, two to qualify. One boy from Boston got right up to the open door, of the plane and hooked his thumbs and held on so tight that we couldn't pry him away from the door—he went into artillery. The first time I jumped out of a plane at 3,000 feet I felt like an angel must feel, floating down to earth. Now that was something!

On February 22, 1944, I was sent to Camp McCall in North Carolina for more training. The army had a minefield set up and we had to crawl on our bellies with our rifles for 150 yards—that field was filled with live torpedoes and if you crawled over one, you were done. We crawled under machine guns. Our bayonet training was with dummies that were scattered across the field like enemy troops. We had to run at them, bayonet them, and keep moving. I have to say, we were well trained, even though our training was shortened. We learned map reading, how to use the compass, how to maneuver in combat conditions.

Our barracks were nothing to write home about. They were wooden with wood floors—and through the cracks we could see dirt. We had a mess kitchen with a couple of cooks. They fed us good in them days—lots of eggs and potatoes is all I remember. I got stuck one day on potato detail—another fella and I peeled and cut up 25 big bags of potatoes. As often as I could, I'd go to Charlotte and visit a pretty girl I met there.

As soon as training was over, we were sent to Newport News, Virginia. On April 29, 1944, we boarded a Liberty ship and set sail. We didn't know where to, other than the fact that we were headin' across the Atlantic, so it would probably be Europe or Africa. Our ship was loaded full of cargo. In the rear, it held gasoline tanks with fuel for the Air Force—which was a bad idea from our standpoint. If our ship had been hit, we wouldn't have stood a chance.

The Series

In honor of Chelsea's 175th anniversary celebration this year, renowned writer Cynthia Furlong Reynolds will contribute a series of articles throughout the year focusing on Chelsea's veterans who served their country in World War II.

We were part of a huge convoy, anywhere from 75 to 125 ships: destroyers, flat tops (aircraft carriers), and small, light ships that could move fast. The crossing took a long time—27 days. The seas were very rough. We had two warnings about U-boats in the area. We slept on canvas bunks and most soldiers were sick one time or another. I'd get up and try to shave with salt water—there was no fresh water for washing—and the soap just rolled off my face. I was surprised that I didn't get seasick—this was the first time that I saw the ocean. We were fed once a day. I don't recall the food, except to say that it wasn't chicken. Beans, probably.

We saw the Rock of Gibraltar, then docked somewhere in Sicily. The officers gave us a one-hour break while the ship was unloaded. I was about the only one to jump into the Mediterranean Sea—that water was cold! It was the only time I swam or bathed while I was on Sicily.

The 83rd Airborne made our way on foot through the entire island, fighting Germans every step of the way. There was no transport for us. Sicily was hot and dusty. We didn't see too many civilians, but the ones we saw seemed friendly—I think they wanted to get rid of the Germans as much as we did.

I fought in Sicily for three months and never had the chance to change my clothes once; we'd take our boots off at night, wash out our socks if we could, and then put them on the next day and start fighting all over again. We wore our helmets constantly. Our uniforms were olive drab. We had a small peajacket of olive drab that zipped up and snapped, leggings that stretched from the bottom of our heels halfway up our legs, and combat boots. (They looked like they were made of raw leather, with buckles around your ankles. They were awkward and uncomfortable.) On our backs we carried socks, a parka that could be joined with another soldier's parka to make a two-man tent, some rations, and a canteen. I carried a bayonet, a knife, and an M1 (a semi-automatic rifle that would shoot eight times before it needed reloading). I never fought with my bayonet; we only used them to cut stuff up. The officers carried pistols and some non-comms (Non-Commissioned Officers) had 45-millimeter machine guns.

We ate C-rations: biscuits even dogs wouldn't eat, they were so hard;

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VETERAN

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packages of cigarettes (four to a package of Chesterfields), a can of something (probably beans), and once in awhile, if we were lucky, a chocolate bar. Chocolate was like gold; we'd trade anything for chocolate. After awhile the Army started giving us K-rations, and they were much better: canned ham, chocolate, and cigarettes. The Army never gave us fruits or vegetables. Once while marching through a field, we came upon an orange grove and we swarmed around those trees. The oranges were blood-red inside, and they were good. Other than that, we never ate anything but Army rations.

Every so often our officers would give us a ten-minute break to drink water. We guarded our canteens with our lives. We didn't come upon many places where we could fill them up. There were no portable kitchens, no newspapers, very little mail, no comforts.

The Italian soldiers didn't put up much of a fight, but the German troops were another matter. They were like fleas on a dog—they were everywhere. The fighting was tough all over. The Germans were better equipped and better fed than we were, and they'd been there longer. More than a few times it boiled down to hand-to-hand combat. The Germans were stationed on the higher land, waiting in ambush. They had Tiger Tanks that would knock our General Shermans out of their boots. The Tiger Tanks were faster, bigger, and stronger, and they had 88 millimeter guns; the Americans' General Shermans had 75's, which couldn't shoot as far. The Germans had a lot of tanks and trucks with front-wheel drive that ran on tracks. We didn't have any air support. We could have used more ammunition. We were given two belts of ammo with eight clips in each—and you go through those in a hurry when you're in battle.

We called the truckers who brought our ammunition and food "the Red Ball Express." Their trucks had a big red dot on them, and we were some glad to see them when they came.

My unit worked our way through Sicily's countryside. Day in and day out, it was tiresome, rough work—and we were gettin' no place fast. I had a buck sergeant (he had three stripes) from New Mexico named Gardenia Carlos; he was one heck of a guy. He'd do anything for us that he could. My closest friend from paratrooper training, Laurence Sanders, didn't make it long. He was killed. We were all spread out across the countryside driving the Germans and Italians, so it was only later that I figured out what happened. When the fighting stopped for awhile, I looked for him, but didn't see him. We were fighting too hard to round up our dead and bury them. I saw one or two soldiers go crazy with shell shock. Some men disappeared from our ranks and we didn't know what happened to them—the officers didn't keep us informed too good. We just kept moving. Moving. Moving.

We never questioned why we were there, and even though the conditions were hard, we never lost our patriotism. We knew we were pushing the Germans back and that we could do anything we were asked to do.

I saw General Patton once. He was coming through the lines past us with a driver, headed to the front of our column. He was rough-looking, but our soldiers liked him both ways: personal and as a general. We trusted him. He was pretty smart.

I saw a History Channel movie once that showed the paratroopers in Sicily—and the movie got the story pretty much right. It was a hard time. We were fighting without a break. Was I scared? I felt a little tension, but I still needed to do my duty.

And then came four days that I can't account for.

I was wounded in Sicily. The Army records say it was July 13, 1944, but long before then I'd lost all track of time.

It must've been a German 88 shell that got me 'cause when they bust, the pieces go wide and far. When I come to, I was in a hospital on the mainland of Italy. To this day, I don't know where I was. The nurses were mostly Italians who could speak some English, although there were some American nurses. I looked like a mummy: I was all wrapped in bandages except for one eye. I'd lost my left eye and three fingers, and the doctors told me I'd had 52 pieces of metal inside me. By the time I come to, the surgeries had been finished. I don't have an idea about how long I was there in that hospital. One day a captain came in and presented me with a Purple Heart. I was restricted to bed.

In time, I was loaded onto a hospital ship (Army records say it was the U.S.S. Grant). That was one rough trip. We were fed once a day, at noon. Half of us were physically disabled, the other half were guys who were half-crazy. One I remember was an alcoholic. He went through everything, looking to find alcohol. He even wanted my shaving lotion!

When the ships' officers heard that there were German subs in the area, the bells began clanging. It meant that we all had to go to our battle stations. That was no time for making friends. I could move a little, but not much.

The ship unloaded at Newport News and I went into the Newport News hospital, then to a hospital in Richmond. We were only the second group of wounded in that hospital—it was a new one. The doctors wanted to operate and take all the shrapnel out, but I'd had it with surgeries by then and I said, "Thank you very much, but no." Next they sent me to a convalescent hospital in Daytona Beach, Florida, where the doctors made me try to run on the beach. For many years to come, those pieces of shrapnel would work their way to the surface of my skin and I'd take tweezers and pull out the pieces of metal. There's one still left—in the cheek below my eye socket. It won't come out. I guess it's a reminder for me.

After I was discharged in November 1944 (November 20), I was sent to Chicago, where doctors made me a plastic eye. Then I took the train to Ann Arbor, where my Dad picked me up. I came home as soon as I could get there. I hadn't seen my family since I was drafted. I was glad to be home...

It was hunting season when I first got home, and my Dad wanted me to go hunting with him, but I said, "No, thanks, I've shot and been shot at enough."

It wasn't easy to get used to civilian life. Dad got me a job at the Hoover Ball and Bearing plant. I was there for eight or nine years before it went out of business. I had quite a few jobs after that.

I still have nightmares, but less often now. Sudden noises used to send me diving under a table. A fella who worked on the same bench at the Hoover plant thought it was funny to throw something and make a racket, just to see me jump. I could've killed him. Finally, when I had enough, I lifted him by the collar off the floor and told him how I felt about his actions. Then I tied his coat sleeves together. He didn't bother me again.

I'd met a girl named Gladys when I was in training in North Carolina when me and a buddy had gone to Charlotte on leave. We met her and a girlfriend at the bus station and talked them into a movie. I saw her three or four times before I shipped out. We corresponded quite awhile, but I never saw her until July 1945. My Mom and Dad and I drove down to get her and bring her back up to Chelsea. A preacher living on West Middle Street married us in his home on July 4, 1945. We have six children: four boys, two girls.

In time, I joined the VFW, American Legion, Purple Heart, and Disabled American Vets. I've been the Commander of the VFW in Chelsea. I do it because those men understand what we all went through. My two oldest sons served in Korea. Bob went into the Marines and Chuck into the Air Force. I'm proud that they went, but I never talked about the war to them—it was too hurtful to remember.

I never did use my paratrooper training. Going to war was a duty I had to do and I'm glad I went. I have peace of mind. We showed the Germans that they couldn't tread on us or any other people without paying the consequences. We showed them that American men would fight to the death for their beliefs.

War made me more trusting of people—I had to rely on fellow soldiers for my survival. It made me a little more forgiving of others. Everyone has their doubts and questions, after all. I learned to take people with a grain of salt, as the old saying goes. War made me a better person, easier to get along with. I have a great sense of patriotism still. If we old suckers were in Iraq right now, we'd shoot first and ask questions later, and we'd fight to win. We'd be in and out of there in a hurry. That's the way we were trained.

Farmers night

Susan Smalley, director of C.S. Mott Group for Sustainable Food Systems at MSU, was the guest speaker at the Kiwanis Club's annual Farmer's Night event. The Kiwanis Club recognizes and celebrates the importance that our local farmers have in our community. Pictured with Susan is Kiwanian Neil Horning.

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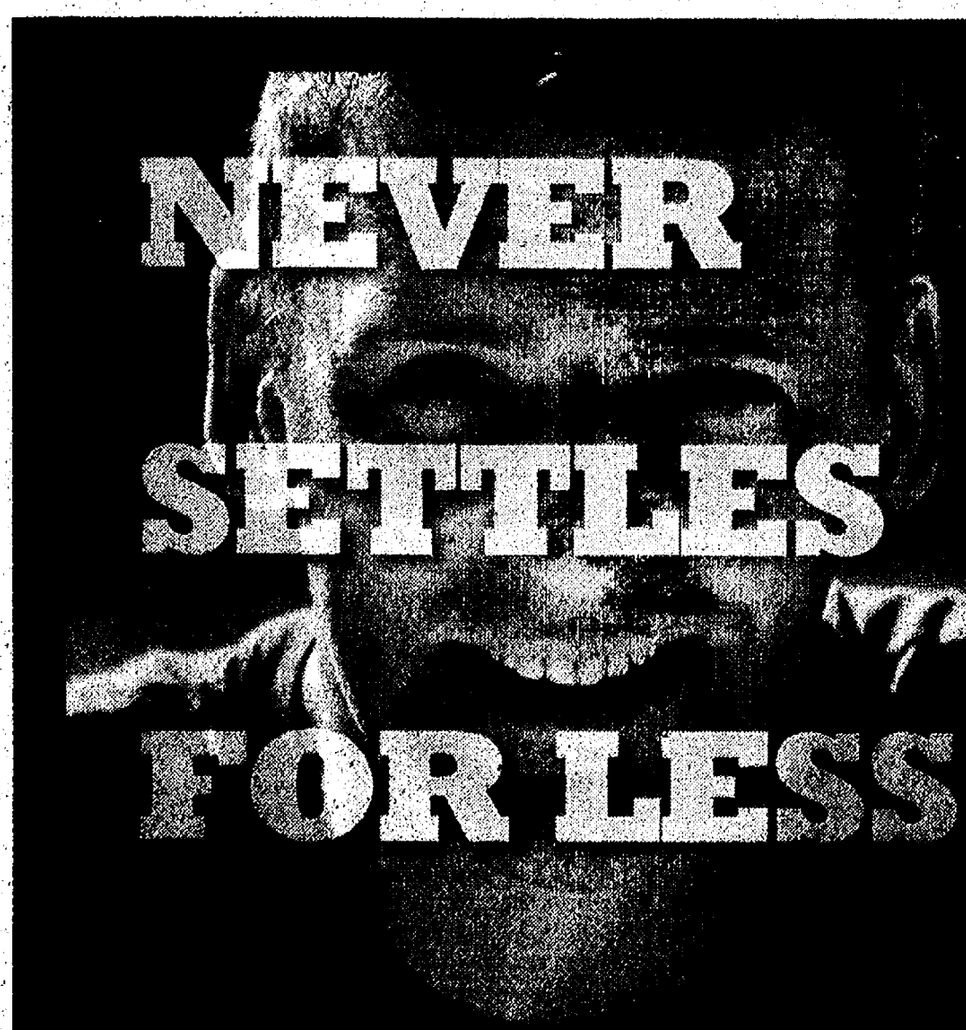

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Area Calendar

Chelsea

Chelsea music events
Saturday: Mardi Gras Band Fundraiser at Beach Middle School from 6:30-9 p.m. Tickets are $5.
April 29: Concerto Concert, 7:30 p.m. at the CHS

Cranesbill Books
Cranesbill Books is located at 108 East Middle St., Chelsea
Saturday, April 25 2 p.m. Earth Day Craft Activity. Make art with recycled materials, perhaps for mom or for yourself. Saturday, May 9 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Score points for Mother's Day! A shopping event for husbands and kids to find just the right gift. Most downtown stores will have special events, visitors and in our case, a one-day-only 20 percent off the entire store, plus a visit from Anne Elder of Community Farm.

Chelsea District Library
Tomorrow: I Need to Read; 4-5 p.m.; McKune; Registration; For all ages. Meet Judge Simpson of the District Court and his Bailiff, Officer Mike Duncan, as we learn what judges need to read to judge important criminal cases. See the judge's robe and gavel and take part in a mock trial!
May 2: 10 Tips for Competing in a Challenging Job Market; 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; McKune Join our career transition workshop. This interactive workshop will cover the whole range of job hunting techniques, and focus on participant questions Nick Synko of Synko Associates, will conduct the clinic. Lunch provided.
May 6: Career Transition Lab; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Learning Lab; Registration. A follow-up to the Career Transition Workshop will be held in our computer lab to continue your job search online. Open only for those who attended the first workshop.
May 6: Career Transition Workshop; 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Learning Lab; Registration. Trainers – Kathy Lynch and Peg Greisberger, Adult Services librarians. As a follow-up to the Career Transition Workshop, this lab session will be open for those who attended the first workshop.

Chelsea Senior Center
Lunch served Monday through Friday at noon. For additional information and reservations phone the center at 475-9242.
Tomorrow: Bingo 9 a.m.; Quilting Block a Month 10 a.m.; Fun and Fit 10 a.m.; Euchre 12:30 p.m.; Wii Fun and Wii Fit 1 p.m.; Wood Carving Class 1 p.m.
Monday: Bingo 9 a.m.; Painting Class with Steve Wood 9:30 a.m.; Chair Exercise 10:30 a.m.; Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.; Momma Mia reservations due
Tuesday: Crafts 10 a.m.; Finding Hidden Cash by Kathy Hay 1 a.m.; Euchre 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Bridge Class 10a.m.; Fit and Fun Exercise 10:30 a.m.; Square Dancing 12:30 p.m.; Pinochle 12:30 p.m.; Bowling at Chelsea Lanes 1 p.m.
Thursday: Safe Driving Class 9 a.m.; Stained Glass Class 10 a.m.; Computer Club 10 a.m.; Chelsea Area Bridge 12:15 p.m.; Knit and Crochet 12:30 p.m.; Travel Open House 6:30 p.m.

Chelsea Center for the Arts
Chelsea Center for the Arts is located at 400 Congdon Street in Chelsea. For more information, call 734-433-2787 or log onto www.chelseacenterforthearts.org.

Dexter

Artistica
Dexter's fine gift and art gallery features only Michigan artists and their unique work. It is located on the corner of Broad and Main streets in beautiful, historic downtown Dexter. It is owned and operated by local artists Jill Love, Lisa Wandres and Pam O'Hara. For more information, call (734) 426-1500.

Dexter Senior Center
7720 Ann Arbor Street. Call (734) 426-7737. Lunches are complete - main dish listed Monday, April 27 - 8:30 a.m. swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:15, walking; 10:30 - Lifestyle Fitness; 11:30 - Lunch - Cabbage rolls and mashed potatoes; 12:30 - Felted hat class.
Tuesday, April 28 - 10 a.m. - Lifestyle Fitness, 10-12 - Rug Hookers; 11:30 - Lunch- Tarragon chicken with rice ; 12:30, French; 12:45 - Cell Phone 101 Presentation.
Wednesday, April 29 - 8:30 a.m. Swimming, Wylie Pool; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 - Lunch - Meatballs and grave with noodles; 12:30 - Watercolor Painting; 1 p.m. - German; 5:15 - Lifestyle fitness.
Thursday, April 23 - 9:30 a.m.- Eucre; 10 a.m. - Lifestyle Fitness; 11 Knitting Club; 11:30 - Lunch - Baked ham with sweet potatoes ; 12:30 Scrabble, 1 p.m.- Mah Jongg.
Friday, April 24 - 8:30 a.m. - Swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour; 10:30 a.m. - Lifestyle Fitness; 11:30 a.m. Lunch - TBA; 12:30 p.m. - Bingo.

Dexter District Library
The Dexter District Library is located at 3255 Alpine Street in Dexter. All Library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call 734-426-4477.
Saturday: 1 – 4 p.m. Drop-in wii sports and snacks for grades 6 and up.
Friday, May 1: 10 a.m. Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Presents: "Kinderconcert." Live classical music program for ages 2 and up. Refreshments.
Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Friends of the Dexter District Library Used Book Sale. Anyone interested in joining the Friends of the Dexter District Library, contact Sue Smith at sueandbernie@aol.com.
Saturday, May 9, 1 – 3 p.m. Robots, Sumo Battles and Teens! Rocks and Robots is offering a free Teen Workshop where we will introduce students to a few basic programming skills and challenges before they take it to the next level and create a robot that can defend itself in the Sumo Ring. For grades 6-12. Registration is required

Area

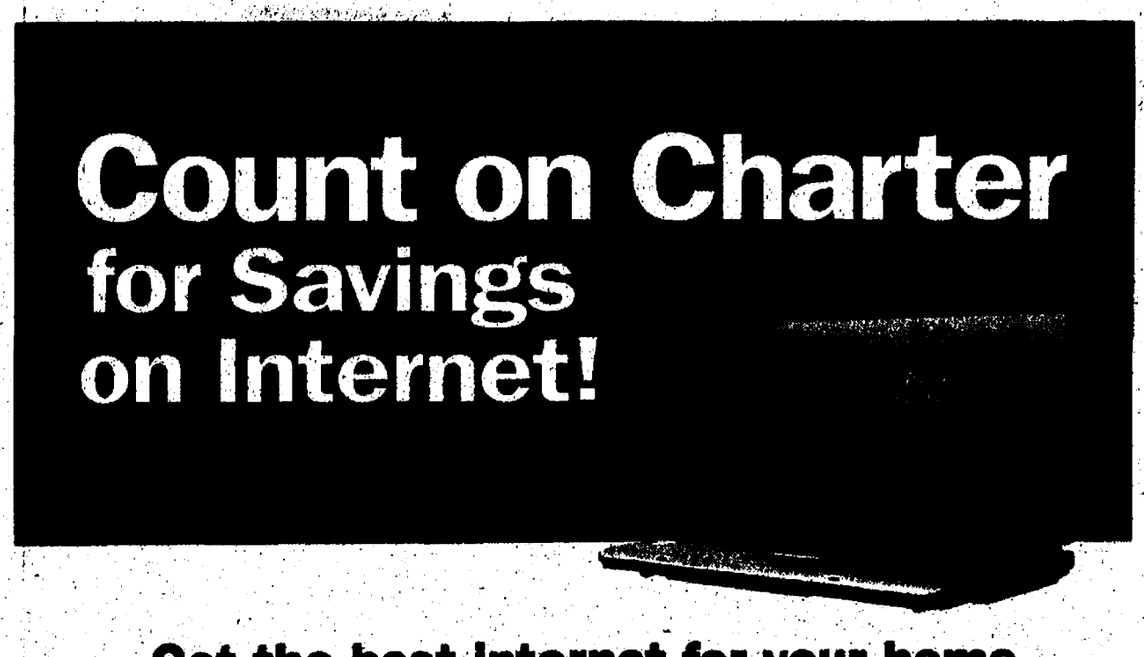
At 8 p.m. on May 16, the Ann Arbor Grail Singers will perform an English and Italian Renaissance program – featuring music by Tallis and Palestrina – at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division, Ann Arbor. They will be accompanied by Deborah Friauff on keyboard and Marilyn Fung on viola da gamba. The 16-voice women's choir has performed in the Detroit Institute of Arts "Brunch with Bach" Series, at the Toledo Art Museum, at the University of Michigan Museum of Art, and at other venues in Michigan and Ohio. Open seating tickets, available at the door from 7:30 p.m., are $15 general admission, $12 seniors, $5 students. For more information, call 734-662-0631.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation recently donated $355 million to Rotary International's PolioPlus program, with the challenge that Rotary raise $200 million of matching funds. To help reach this goal, the eight Washtenaw County Rotary Clubs are sponsoring a benefit concert tomorrow. Three Men and a Tenor will be performing at 7:30 p.m. at Skyline High. This highly talented, energetic and entertaining Michigan-based quartet has performed more than 1,000 concerts internationally over the past 17 years. Skyline is located at 2552 N. Maple. Tickets are $50 ($25 tax-deductible) for preferred seating and $30 for general admission; they can be obtained at 734-661-0528 or rotarytickets@comcast.net.

Parks

Eddy Discovery Center: Waterloo
For more information, call the Eddy Discovery Center at 734-475-3170.
Saturday: WHAT'S HIP, HOT & GREEN. Practical energy alternatives, 2 p.m. Take a look at alternative energy sources, and discover how your family can incorporate current alternative E sources in your everyday life. Hands-on activity for the whole family demonstrates the use of solar power.
Sunday: GO BEYOND YOUR DOORSTEP. 3 p.m. TV host and naturalist Peter Schriemer will show you how to discover amazing critters living right in your own backyard. Peter will share tips and tricks for safe and effective nature encounters, present live animals, and show clips from his award-winning Smithsonian Channel series "Critter Quest.
Sunday, May 3: STRANGE CREATURES OF THE SPRING POND: 2 p.m. Naturalist Tom Hodgson will introduce you to many fascinating and little known creatures – from delicate damselflies to the fierce, predaceous diving beetles.

Hudson Mills Metropark
8801 N. Territorial Road, Dexter. For additional information or to register for programs, call 1-800-477-3191 or 734-426-8211.
May 2: Bird Hike, 7:30 a.m. Bring your binoculars and a field guide to observe bird species seen in the park and record dates, locations, and trends from year to year. There is a fee of $2 per person.



Around town

Clean-Up Day

The Washtenaw County Solid Waste Program and local units of government will be sponsoring an environmental Clean-up Day for Washtenaw County residents. The Clean-Up Day will take place on Saturday, May 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority, located at 8025 Werkner Road in Lyndon Township. This event provides an opportunity for residents of Washtenaw County to dispose of many unwanted household wastes in a safe and sustainable manner.

A suggested $10 donation per car will be requested to help decrease disposal costs and keep this community collection ongoing. Residents may bring up to four tires for free, but will be asked to pay $5 for each additional tire. In addition, residents can bring one television, Freon containing appliance, or computer for free, but will be asked to pay $10 for each additional item. No household garbage will be accepted at this collection event.

This is a service for Washtenaw County residents only, funded and coordinated by the Washtenaw County Solid Waste Program, the City of Chelsea, the townships of Dexter and Lyndon, and the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority (WWRA).

For more information, please call (734) 475-6160 or (734) 222-3827.

HRWC Annual Meeting

The Huron River Watershed Council (HRWC) invites the public to attend its Annual Meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 30 at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor. HRWC staff will give brief updates on projects, reporting on recent outcomes and successes in the watershed. Topics include safe drinking water, phosphorus pollution reduction, the health of the Huron as shown by 15-years of monitoring results, land use, buffer ordinances, the Dexter Dam removal, residential rain capture techniques and the organization's plans for the future. A question and answer session will follow. For more information, contact Pam Labadie at (734) 769-5123 (ext. 17) or plabadie@hrwc.org

Who's Who benefit

On Monday, May 11, the Shelter Association of Washtenaw County will be honoring Skip and Barb Campbell and the University of Michigan Health System for going above and beyond the call of duty to help our neighbors experiencing homelessness.

The public is invited to join the celebration at the 2009 Who's Who benefit and awards celebration at Barton Hills Country Club located at 730 Country Club Road from 6 to 8:30 p.m. This year's event will feature a cocktail reception, strolling supper and silent auction. The evening's highlight will be the presentation of the Robert J. Delonis Community Awards to Skip and Barb and the U of M Health System in recognition of their exceptional commitment and leadership in our community's efforts to end homelessness and address the medical needs of the underserved. Reservations for Who's Who are $135 each ($90 tax-deductible) and may be purchased by calling the Shelter Association at 734-662-2829, ext. 227, Monday through Friday.

Mom to Mom Sale

St. Luke Lutheran Church MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) will host a Mom to Mom Sale at 4205 Washtenaw Ave in Ann Arbor from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. Admission is $1. Twist & Shout Clown is making an appearance and creating balloon sculptures from 11 a.m. to noon. Table rental is $15 for one six-foot table, two tables for $25, rack space $5, maternity items welcome, large item room (see contract for details). Pre-sale for sellers from 8:30 to 9 a.m. For more information, contact Amanda Ryan at amandaryan123@hotmail.com or 734-786-1566.

Youth Day of Caring

United Way of Washtenaw County and WATT (Washtenaw Area Teens for Tomorrow) have teamed up with Heart of Michigan Girl Scouts Council and Washtenaw County 4-H for their fourth annual Youth Day of Caring! The event will be held on Saturday, May 2 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Youth teams, ages 13 through 24 years old, will fan out to work at community service projects throughout the greater Washtenaw Area. Sample projects may include such activities as gardening, cleaning up areas for new playgrounds, cleaning toys, and organizing art material. Youth Day of Caring is modeled after the annual United Ways Day of Caring.

This is a wonderful opportunity to engage the youth of Washtenaw County in the spirit of volunteerism. Students from Washtenaw County public and private high schools and middle schools, Washtenaw Community College, U of M and EMU will volunteer at each participating non-profit agency. Students, teachers, or community volunteers who are interested in participating should register online at watt.ewashtenaw.org or call Jeremy Keeney, WATT Project Director at (734) 973-4384.

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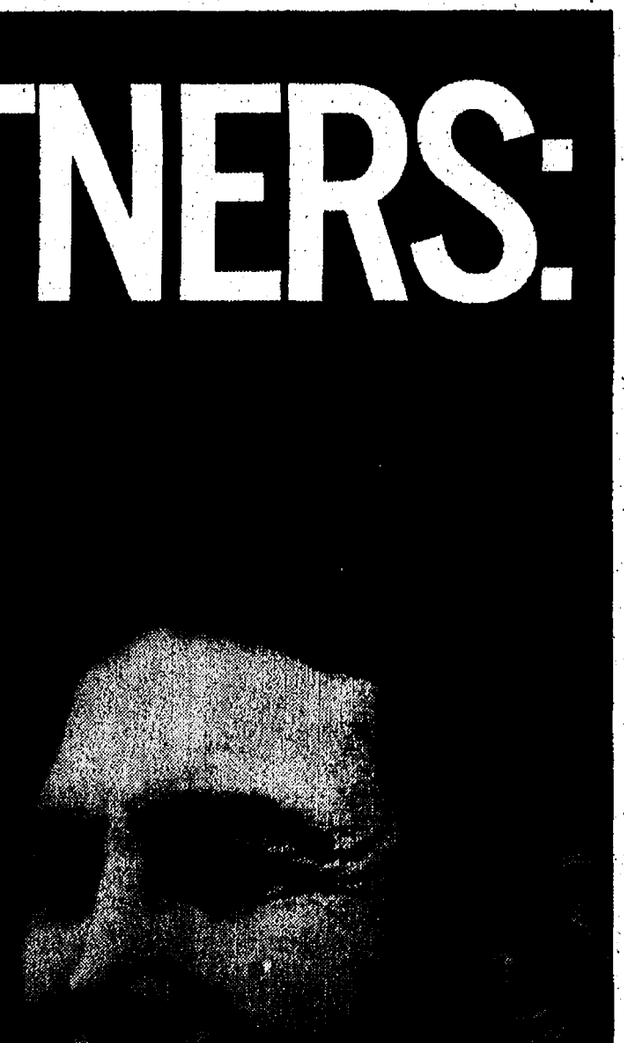

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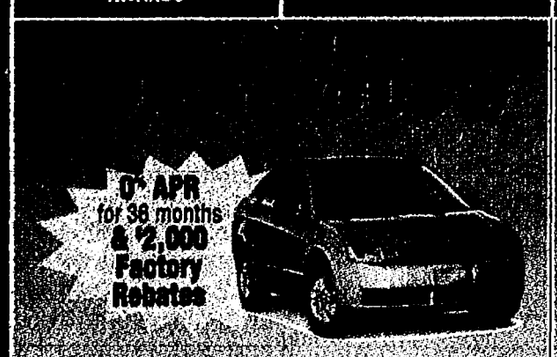

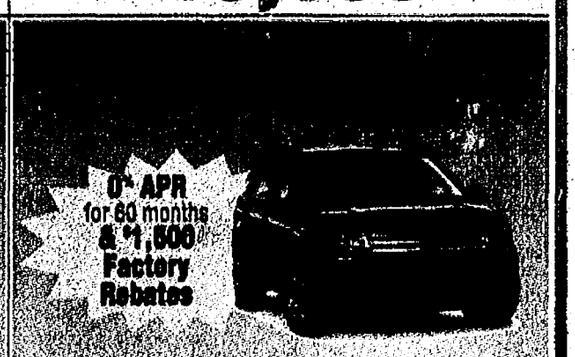

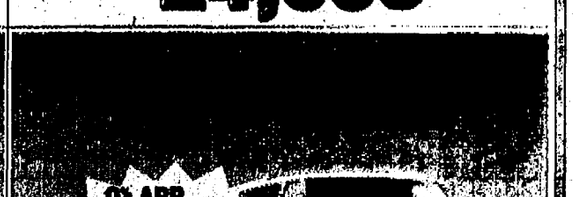

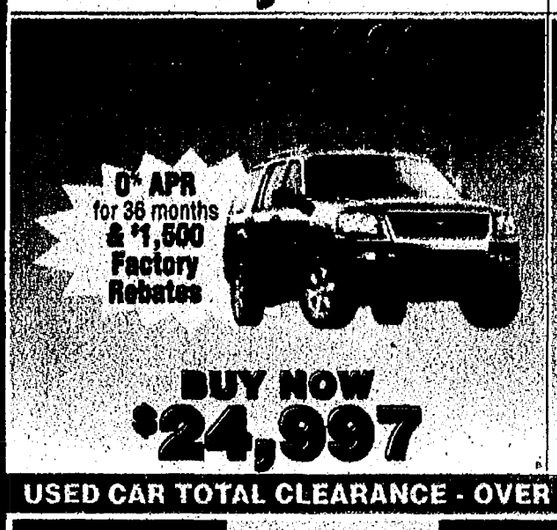

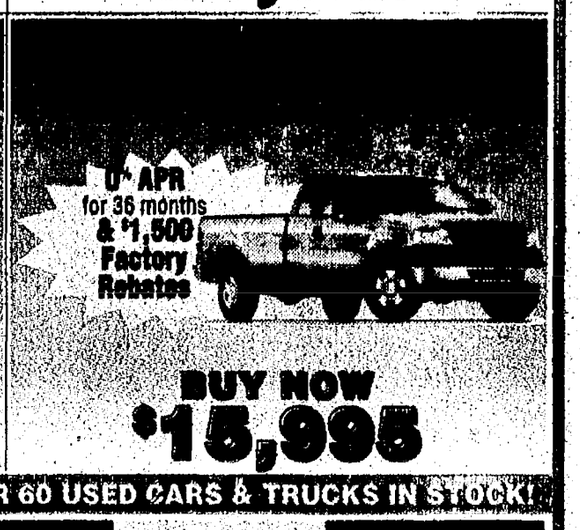

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Chelsea sophomore midfielder Hailey Dixon scored one goal in the Bulldogs' 8-0 victory over Tecumseh last Saturday.

Bulldogs remain unbeaten

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Soccer

Chelsea's girls' soccer team remained unbeaten on the year with last Saturday's 8-0 victory over host Tecumseh.

"I think we can score on a lot of people," said Chelsea coach Chris Orlandi. "There shouldn't be too many teams that can shut us out. Tecumseh played very aggressively defensively which gave us a chance to get behind them. We had plenty of breakaways."

The Bulldogs (5-0-1, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) scored early and often against the Indians, building a commanding 7-0 lead at halftime.

Senior forward Brooke Ehman opened the scoring for Chelsea with a goal seven minutes into the game. Junior midfielder Kelly Fournier picked up an assist on the play for the Bulldogs.

Three minutes later, sophomore midfielder Hailey Dixon scored off an assist from junior midfielder Cara Johnson increasing Chelsea's lead to 2-0.

Ehman made it 3-0 Bulldogs with a goal at the 14-minute mark. Sophomore midfielder Anna Rode assisted on the goal for Chelsea.

Three minutes later, the roles were reversed as Rode scored off an assist from Ehman.

At the 22-minute mark of the first half, Cara Johnson scored on a penalty kick for a 5-0 Bulldog advantage.

Ehman scored her third goal of the day for a hat trick at the 27-minute mark upping Chelsea's lead to 6-0. Cara Johnson recorded an assist on the play.

Just before the break, Fournier scored on a penalty kick for a 7-0 Bulldog lead at halftime.

Five minutes into the second half, freshman Amber Plemens scored for the game's final 8-0 margin. Fournier assisted on the goal for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs out-shot Tecumseh 14-0.

Sophomore keeper Michelle Wellman earned the shutout in net for Chelsea. The goose egg was Wellman's fifth shutout of the season.

The Bulldogs have shut out four straight opponents. Chelsea hasn't been scored upon since March 26.

Last Thursday, the Bulldogs defeated host Ypsilanti Lincoln 3-0.

With seven seconds left in the first half, Rode scored giving Chelsea a 1-0 lead. Ehman posted an assist on the play.

"That goal was big," Orlandi said. "We played with a lot of intensity at the end of the first half. Lincoln was tough. They never gave up."

At the 44-minute mark of the second half, Ehman scored on a penalty kick.

Ehman scored her second goal of the day at the 56-minute mark for the contest's ending 3-0 margin.

The Bulldogs out-shot the Railsplitters 21-5 for the game.

Wellman earned the win in net for Chelsea.

"We played really well," Orlandi said. "We dominated both halves. I was impressed with our performance."

On April 14, the host Bulldogs defeated Adrian 8-0.

"We dominated play throughout with quality passing and good shot selection," Orlandi said. "Everyone got to play quality minutes which was nice considering it was about 38 degrees and pouring. It was nice to see us playing to our potential under adverse circumstances."

Senior midfielder Kendra Beeman opened the scoring for Chelsea with a goal 22 seconds into the contest. Ehman recorded an assist on the play.

Four minutes into the first half, Cara Johnson made it 2-0 Bulldogs scoring off a pass from sophomore midfielder Diana Uihlein.

Senior midfielder Lauren Johnson increased Chelsea's advantage to 3-0 with an unassisted goal at the 16-minute mark.

Four minutes later, Rode scored for a 4-0 lead. Ehman picked up an assist.

Rode scored her second goal of the day at the 37-minute mark for a 5-0 Bulldog lead. Cara Johnson picked up an assist on the goal for Chelsea.

Senior defender Cayla Redmond scored off a pass from Ehman with 24 seconds left in the first half for a 6-0 Bulldog lead at the break.

At the 48-minute mark of the second half, Ehman scored for a 7-0 lead. Fournier assisted.

Dixon ended the scoring with a goal off an assist from senior forward Alex LeBeau at the 53-minute of the second half.

With Dixon's goal, the game was called due to the mercy-rule.

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Chelsea opens despite weather

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Baseball

Despite cold temperatures and rainy weather, Chelsea baseball has opened its 2009 season.

Last Saturday, the Bulldogs traveled to Coldwater to compete in its invitational.

In the tournament's first game, Chelsea (3-2) lost to Byron Center 9-8 in eight innings. The contest had Bulldog Hall of Fame coach Wayne Welton shaking his head afterward.

"In my 31 years, I've never seen anything like it," he said. "It was hard to take. We couldn't close the door. It's a tough loss."

The game was as close to being over as a contest could possibly be. Chelsea had a seemingly insurmountable 8-0 lead with two outs in the seventh inning, but was unable to record the win.

Byron Center ended up rallying scoring eight runs in the seventh inning, tying the game at 8-8 and sending it into extra innings.

In the eighth inning, Byron Center scored a run to pull out the inconceivable victory.

"Give Byron Center credit, they never gave up," Welton said.

Senior Andrew Sensoli started for Chelsea and was cruising along until the seventh inning.

"Andrew had pitched an outstanding game," Welton said. "He had not walked a guy and had eight strikeouts through six innings until the seventh inning."

In the Byron Center seventh inning, the Bulldogs had four hits and one walk. Chelsea committed four errors in the frame.

"Byron Center had nine straight guys reach base," Welton said. "Only one hit left the infield."

Sophomore Charlie Hess relieved Sensoli and absorbed the loss for Chelsea.

At the plate, senior Randy Cox and junior Drew Brown led the Bulldogs' attack with two hits each.

Senior Aaron Gates, junior Brett Caid, sophomore Nate Udell and Sensoli each had one hit for Chelsea.

In their second game of the tournament, the Bulldogs lost to Three Rivers 9-7.

Senior Michael Lenneman and Udell pitched for Chelsea.

"Three Rivers swung the bat pretty well," Welton said.

Sophomore Jake Fox sparked the Bulldog offense with three hits.

Senior Brett Everding reached base four times on four walks, while Sensoli had a triple and Caid a single for Chelsea.

In Game 3, the Bulldogs defeated Wyoming Rogers 15-4 in a contest shortened because of the mercy rule.

Caid and Fox combined for win from the mound.

Gates had three hits, including a double to lead Chelsea with the bat.

Cox had a double and one RBI, while Sensoli had two RBIs, a single and a two walks and Udell two hits, including a double and two walks.

Senior Scott Rhodes added a single for the Bulldogs.

"It was a frustrating day," Welton said. "We should have been playing in the (tournament) championship game."

Last Thursday, visiting Chelsea defeated East Lansing 8-3.

Rhodes picked up the win from the rubber throwing five innings and allowing one unearned run. Everding finished up tossing the sixth and seventh innings.

The Bulldogs scored five runs in the third inning to break open the game.

Brown and Sensoli each had two hits and two RBIs for Chelsea. Lenneman also had two hits for the Dawgs.

On April 9, Chelsea opened its season defeated No. 9-ranked Allen Park 8-6, in a contest played at Eastern Michigan University.

The Bulldogs led 6-0 after three innings.

The Jaguars fought back tying the game 6-6 entering the seventh inning.

In the seventh stanza, Everding and Brown each connected for RBI singles giving Chelsea the victory.

Brown had three hits to ignite the offense. Gates had an RBI single.

Rhodes, Lenneman and Sensoli all saw time on the mound for the Bulldogs.

"It was a good opener against a really good program," Welton said.

Rounding out Chelsea's 17-man roster this season are senior Jake Powell, juniors Luke Dehring, Nigel Schuh and Shane Trojanowski and sophomore Brain Paulsen.

Welton said this year's team has plenty of talent.

"Our strength is our depth on the mound and our competition at almost every spot on the field," he said. "That's a good problem to have."

Prior to the season opener, the Bulldogs traveled south to Venice, Fla. for their 30th annual spring training trip.

"It was an enjoyable time," Welton said. "There was good baseball and it was a good time for the guys."

Chelsea next hosts defending Division 1 state runner-up Saline Thursday at 4 p.m.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs host their own invitational. Teams participating in the tournament include Fowlerville, Belleville and Gibraltar Carlson.

JV Baseball

Chelsea's JV baseball team competed in a tournament in Dexter last Saturday. The Bulldogs lost to Ann Arbor Pioneer and the host Dreadnaughts.

"We had chances to score runs, but have not yet gotten the big hit we need," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris. "These first four games have been very rusty. We need to get better with fundamentals. In fairness to the team, we have just

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Chelsea serves against Adrian

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Tennis

Chelsea's girls' tennis team opened its season last week.

Last Saturday, the Bulldogs competed in the Adrian Quad.

Winning first-place gold medals for Chelsea were the No. 1 doubles duo of Diana Bach and Hannah Boshoven and the No. 2 doubles twosome of Ellie Howe and Gwen Eder.

"Bach and Boshoven defeated their opponents quickly, never dropping a set," said Chelsea coach Matt Pedlow. "They have really improved their game this year. They play such smart doubles tennis. I couldn't be happier with their progression. These two could challenge for a regional title in May."

Pedlow said his singles players performed well in the tournament.

"All of our singles players played well against very tough Adrian and Berkley squads," he said. "Katherine Lange played the best match of the day, losing in the third set against a very tough (Ypsilanti) Lincoln opponent. She is really looking forward to playing her again this week. Lange is the only sophomore on the team and her growth has been remarkable. I see her being a dominant tennis player over the next two years."

On April 15, Chelsea defeated Pinckney 6-2 in a dual match.

In singles play, Bulldog Alison Gines defeated Caitlin Klas 6-4, 6-2 at the No. 1 flight.

At No. 3 singles, Alex Broekhuizen prevailed 6-1,

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Chelsea places fourth at invitational

Track and Field

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea's girls' track and field team finished fourth at last Saturday's Hastings Invitational.

The Bulldogs ended up with 56 points.

Winning the 12-team invite was Grand Haven with 102 points.

Grand Ledge was second with 76 points, while Lansing Waverly was third with 64 points.

"We ran very well," said Chelsea coach Pat Clarke. "The three teams that beat us are all very good. We medaled in 12 of the 13 events that we entered. We will hopefully continue to improve."

In the long jump, Christina Coffman finished fifth with a leap of 14-feet, six inches, while Victoria Kingsinger was seventh with a mark of 14-2.

In pole vault, Lauren Dark cleared 8-0, while Elaine Johnson recorded a 7-0 for the Bulldogs.

In high jump, Jenny Squires was fifth with a 4-7, while Tess Elwart was sixth with a 4-7.

Ashley Walker threw the shot put 27-8, while Meghan Smith had a 27-7 for Chelsea.

Marissa Elwart was fourth in the discus with a toss of 90-0, while Walker had a throw of 70-0.

In the 6,400-meter relay, the Bulldog foursome of Julie Beaumont, Courtney Maher, Jessi Battaglia and Megan Staelgraeves placed third in 24:14.

Katrina Williams, Emily Cottrell, Jenna McGrath and Kingsinger finished fifth in the shuttle hurdle relay with a time of 1:11.7.

Megan Hall, Maher, Kingsinger and Beaumont placed sixth in the distance medley relay in 14:05.09.

Hall, Beaumont, Maher and Battaglia crossed the line fifth in the 3,200-meter relay in 11:09.7.

Olivia DeTroyer, Corinne Carpenter, Erin Benjamin and Coffman placed first in the 800-meter relay with a meet record 1:46.8.

Williams, Coffman, McGrath and Carpenter placed second in the 400-meter relay in 52.2. Williams, Coffman, DeTroyer and Benjamin finished second in the sprint medley relay with a clocking of 1:51.0.

In the 1,600-meter relay, Carpenter, Hall, DeTroyer and Benjamin placed first in 4:09.8.

On April 14, Chelsea defeated Adrian 99-38 in a dual meet. The Bulldogs are ranked No. 3 in the state in Division 2.

In the pole vault, Dark placed second with a mark of 8-0, while Johnson was third with a 7-6.

Squires was first in the long jump with a height of 4-6. Kingsinger was first in the long jump with a 14-4, while Coffman was second with a 14-1.

Elwart was third in the discus with a toss of 84-9, while Smith was third in the shot put with a heave of 27-2.

Williams was first in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 18.1, while Kingsinger was second in 19.7 and McGrath third in 19.9.

Williams was first in the 300-meter hurdles in 54.1.

Benjamin broke the tape first in the 100 meters in 13.1, while DeTroyer was second in 13.4.

Carpenter was first in the 200 meters in 29.1, while Hannah Fitzsimmons was second in 30.2 and Emily Cottrell third in 31.0.

DeTroyer was first in the 400-meter run in 1:03.0.

Benjamin was first in the 800-meter run in 2:36, while Hall was second in 2:46.

Beaumont was first in the 1,600-meter run in 5:59, while Staelgraeves was second in 6:14.

Battaglia was first in the 3,200-meter run in a personal best 12:49, while Maher was second in 13:10.

McGrath, Williams, Carpenter and Coffman stopped the clock in the 400-meter relay in 54.5.

Coffman, DeTroyer, Carpenter and Benjamin placed first in the 800-meter relay in 2:14.8.

Hall, Coffman, Kingsinger and Carpenter finished first in the 1,600-meter relay in 4:46. Battaglia, Beaumont, Maher and Hall placed first in the 3,200-meter relay with a time of 11:15.

"Despite some of the worst running conditions that I can remember, our girls performed well," Clarke said. "We had a good first meet with a lot of young kids who learned how to perform well despite the weather conditions.

"We must continue our improvement and eliminate mistakes if we are to continue to be successful."

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not had the practice time that we need. I know these guys will get better."

To open the season, the Bulldogs (0-4) lost a doubleheader to host Adrian 9-1, 9-3. The games were played at Adrian College.

Patrick Roberts had a triple for Chelsea to lead the offense.

Jake Steinhauer and Joel Benjamin each pitched well in relief.

"We were able to play at Adrian College, which is a beautiful facility," Morris said. "Adrian had a good team and capitalized on their chances."

Freshman Baseball

Chelsea's freshman baseball team opened its season defeating Dexter 11-0 and losing to Ann Arbor Pioneer 10-2.

Against the Dreadnaughts, Tyler Geiger pitched four shutout innings allowing one hit with four walks and seven strikeouts. With the bat, he also went 2-for-3 with a double.

Brad Hepler added a double and a triple, while Joe Cox also had two hits for the Bulldogs. Truman Hadley had a double, while Joe Dreyer had a single.

"We came out and hit the ball and pitched the ball very well for our first game of the season," said Chelsea coach Brian Sayers.

Against the Pioneers, Hepler absorbed the loss on the mound. Hadley pitched in relief.

Geiger finished with two hits, including a double, while Max Giller and Hepler each had one hit.

"We competed until the end and never gave up," Sayers said. "This is a great group of kids. I think they will be very successful as the season progresses."

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Chelsea out-shot the Maples 15-1 for the day.

Wellman earned the win in net. The Bulldogs next host Ann Arbor Pioneer Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

On April 30, Chelsea hosts Temperance Bedford at 5:30 p.m. On May 1, the Bulldogs host Pinckney.

JV Soccer

Chelsea's JV girls' soccer team tied host Tecumseh 1-1 last Saturday.

"This was our best game yet," said Chelsea coach Kirsten Smart. "The girls played smart, used the entire field and took more shots on goal."

Amanda Johnson scored the Bulldogs' lone goal in the first half.

Last Thursday, Chelsea lost to host Ypsilanti Lincoln 1-0.

On April 9, the host Bulldogs lost to Jackson County Parma Western 1-0.

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Chelsea third at Hastings

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Track and Field

Chelsea's boys' track and field team placed third at the Hastings Invitational last Saturday.

The Bulldogs recorded 52 points.

Finishing first overall in the 12-team meet was Hastings with 84 points. Grand Ledge was second with 83 points.

In pole vault, Jesse Forner (12-feet) and Landon Niesen (12-6) combined to place second.

Josh Rudd and David Slusser placed second in the discus with a combined toss of 238-2.

In the 6,400-meter relay, Dominic Conybeare, Peter Wilke, Bryce Bradley and Nick Hewitt placed third in 4:57.3.

Jesse Forner, Travis Ostrowski, Andy Nelson and Mason Borders placed first in the shuttle hurdle relay in 1:05.3.

Riley Feeney, Kevin Rosentreter, Bradley and Hewitt placed second in the distance medley in 11:24.2.

Charlie McCalla, Hewitt, Wilke and Conybeare finished fourth in the 3,200-meter relay in 8:41.5.

"We competed very well for early in the season," said Chelsea coach Eric Swager. "I was especially proud of the distance runners, who earned three medals in spite of our top runner being absent. Also, Jesse Forner had an outstanding day. His pole vault of 12-6 was a season best and he did a great job leading off the three running relays.

"I am very happy with the runners in general, but we still have some improvement to do in the jumping events and the shot put. If we can put all these things together, we will be a very competitive team."

On April 13, Chelsea lost to Adrian 83-55 in a dual meet.

"Adrian was last year's regional and SEC (Southeastern Conference) White champs," Swager said. "And once again they were deep and strong across the board."

Forner and Niesen tied for first place in the pole vault each with a mark of 9-6.

Rudd was first in the discus with a toss of 123-2. He was third in the shot put with a heave of 41-4.

Chris Ballow was second in the high jump with a 5-4, while Borders was third with a 5-4, as well.

In the 100 meters, Giller was third with a 12.3.

In the 400-meter run, Rosentreter was third in 53.6.

Borders was third in the 300-meter hurdles in 45.3. Borders was second in the 110-meter hurdles in a lifetime best 16.3, while Ballow was third in 17.6.

August Pappas finished first in the 3,200-meter run in 10:36, while Bradley was second in 10:52.

Pappas was first in the 800-meter run in 2:09.9, while Hewitt was second in 2:11.4.

Hewitt, Wilke, Bradley and Conybeare placed first in the 3200-meter relay in 8:44.

"It was great weather, for ducks, at 40 degrees and raining," Swager said. "Still, I am proud of how most of the kids prepared in spite of the conditions.

"We must continue to improve our execution as we get into the meat of the season."

Chelsea Rec to offer adult tennis

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Recreation

Chelsea Recreation is offering a new adult tennis league this spring.

The Inter-Community Recreation League will include matches against players from Stockbridge and Grass Lake.

The ICRL will include an advanced women's league, an intermediate women's league, a men's doubles league and a mixed doubles league.

The women's league will compete May 19 through Aug. 11. Practice will be twice weekly. Matches will be at Beach Middle School 7 to 9 p.m. every Tuesday.

Registration deadline is May 22.

Men's doubles league will compete May 18 through Aug. 10. Practice will be once a week. Matches will be at Chelsea High School 7 to 9 p.m. every Monday.

Registration deadline is May 22.

Mixed doubles league will compete June 7 through Aug. 16. Matches will be 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Beach Middle School every Sunday. Cost is $50 per couple.

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6-3 for Chelsea.

In doubles, the Bulldog No. 1 duo of Bach and Boshoven won 6-0, 6-3.

"They have not lost a single set all year," Pedlow said. "They're undefeated."

At No. 2 doubles, Howe and Eder won a three-set marathon 6-1, 4-6, 7-5.

"That was the match of the day," Pedlow said. "They were down 5-2 in the third set. They stormed back to win five straight games to take the match. I was very proud of the way Ellie and Gwen were able to come back from being down 5-2. They played the best tennis they have played all year in that comeback. Both girls refused to give up and once they took the momentum, they couldn't be stopped."

At No. 3 doubles, the Bulldog combo of Amanda Craig and Abbi Crowder won 6-1, 6-4.

Sam Dault and Alisa Cremer bested their Pirate foe 6-3, 7-5 at No. 4 doubles for Chelsea.

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By Barry Lonik
Guest Writer

About 170 years ago, Samuel Dexter came upon our area looking for a place to establish a settlement. In those days there was yet no railroad, the surface roads were widening Native American foot trails and the main source of energy was harnessing the gradient of rivers to turn wheels. Judge Dexter found a location in what is now northwestern Scio Township, promptly built a dam, named the stream Mill Creek and watched as milling businesses took advantage of the drop created to initiate the village that bears his name.

Ever since, there has been a dam holding back the erosive power of Mill Creek.

Until last Fall, that is, when after years of discussion the dam was finally removed. The waterway once again flowed freely into the Huron River at the edge of town.

When the dam went down, water levels were at their seasonal low point. Chunks of rock and concrete were strewn about the old site, eventually arranged so that paddlers in canoes and kayaks could navigate the drop. My son Wesley and I watched work on the new Main St. bridge until it ceased with cold temperatures, but it didn't seem likely that someone would have run the newly-freed site before Winter set in.

Wes and I nosed around the area a couple times this Spring, including the days following the snowmelt/rainfall events of early March. Mill Creek became a raging torrent under the bridge, albeit a pretty straight shot. The thought came to me that probably no one has run Mill Creek through Dexter since French traders and Native Americans did nearly two centuries ago. I determined to be the first now that the creek is passable again.

Mill Creek from Parker Road downstream to the village and into the Huron is designated as a state natural river, part of the Huron's designation that starts way up at Portage Lake. Mill Creek is really a small river and "navigable" by Michigan law in that it is large enough to float a log to downstream to a market. (Mill was probably never used for that purpose, but the basis for that definition dates back to Michigan's late 19th century logging era.) Canoes and kayaks are similar to logs, so if a stream is large enough to float a waterborne vessel, it's navigable.

At this time, all of the frontage on Mill is privately owned land but the waterway itself is considered public. Navigable streams are accessible from public roads within the 33 foot right-of-way that extends from the middle of the road into a property. Still, it is important to respect private land ownership. One may not gather, only put in or take out, within the ROW.

I've put in on Mill Creek at Jerusalem Road in Lima Township. It's a beautiful stretch of river, but there are a large number of fallen trees that partially or completely block passage so as of now it's a route for the adventurous. For my March 14 trip, I put in at Shield Road where there is a parking area on the south side west of the bridge.

Flood waters had receded at least six inches from the highest water earlier in the week. Nevertheless water was still over the bank such that I could paddle through the backyards of houses on the other side of the river. Access was challenging as there are currently no improvements, although the village's plan for a park at Main St. recognizes the benefit of improved access upstream.

The stream winds between houses in the Bates Farm subdivision and Dexter athletic fields before opening up into the flats of what was the mill pond. There are a few fallen trees including one ash that blocked the course forcing me to pull out and carry around, and no sign of anyone having been there before me. As the buildings in the village became visible, obstructions ended and current begins to pick up noticeably. There are a couple riffles on the main branch and an audible fall on Wylie Creek just before it flows into Mill Creek.

The run through the old dam site in high water is a Class III whitewater run, defined as "rapids with high, irregular waves often capable of swamping an open canoe." Even though I had scouted it several times from the bridge, I could have stood to have one more look from a dry location. The current is narrow such that it's not possible to pull over, so I just went for it paddling solo in my 17-foot fiberglass Mad River canoe affectionately known as Das Boot or the Tank.

I chose a route along the right side, as it appeared that running middle or left was tantalizing but a bit rough. While the air was fairly warm (55F) the water was very cold and I had no desire to swim. The run was straight not requiring much steering, but the bow dipped into a sizable trough and a large gush of water came pouring in. Good thing Wes wasn't in the bow, he'd have got soaked with frigid water!

No time to worry about that, there's still a couple more drops to run next to Warrior Creek Park. As the wonderful new library came into view, I wondered if anyone saw me through the banks of windows overlooking the river and park. Then under the railroad bridge – which is of the same construction as the nearby road bridge but much larger – and into the floodplain. Aptly named that day, as I was unable to tell where the main channel of the Huron was located: high water flooded out areas left dry later in the year.

My trip ended at Dexter-Huron Metropark where I pulled out, dumped out the canoe and loaded up my gear. Since I was unable to find another intrepid soul to join me, I had earlier spotted my car there and ridden my bike along Huron River Dr. across the Mast Road bridge, through the village to Dexter-Chelsea Road and Parker Road to Shield Road, where I had left the canoe. (In the biz that's known as a bike shuttle.) Doing that is a nice combination of upper and lower body workouts, plus seeing the landscape from three perspectives and speeds.

Mill Creek will be passable much of the year and will attract whitewater enthusiasts as access improves. Later in the season it should be suitable for family trips and is unique in being able to paddle through a town without a dam to portage. It's clear the river is still finding its channel again, so it will change over the next few years. For now it's just cool to see a free-flowing river with a big drop any time of year.

And unless I hear otherwise, I was the first to run the Dexter whitewater!

Talbot to appear in solo concert

Internationally known musician, author and humanitarian John Michael Talbot will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. on May 2 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter. Talbot will perform songs that have helped make him one of the most prominent and beloved performers of Christian music. He is appearing in a series of solo concerts of the Midwest which many have called "musical retreats." Talbot has reached great popularity as Catholic music's premier artist.

"The deep spirituality of Talbot's music transcends denominations, uniting his audiences on a prayerful journey of praise and worship, offering a unique combination of music, teaching and spiritual guidance which provides the participants with an unparalleled experience," said St. Joseph spokesperson Tony Sievert.

The tour was put together to raise funds for the rebuilding of Talbot's home, Little Portion Hermitage Monastery, which suffered a fire on April 29, 2008 burning the chapel and the Common Center to the ground in less than an hour and a half. All survived, though members of the community, including Talbot, suffered from the effects of smoke inhalation. Various awards were destroyed along with countless library books, archives, inventory and tour equipment. Talbot credits his life in monastic community as key to the creation of his music. Previous tours have resulted in Talbot's raising more

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Business profile

Taking over behind the wheel

After three years as manager, Wilson becomes owner of local Carquest

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

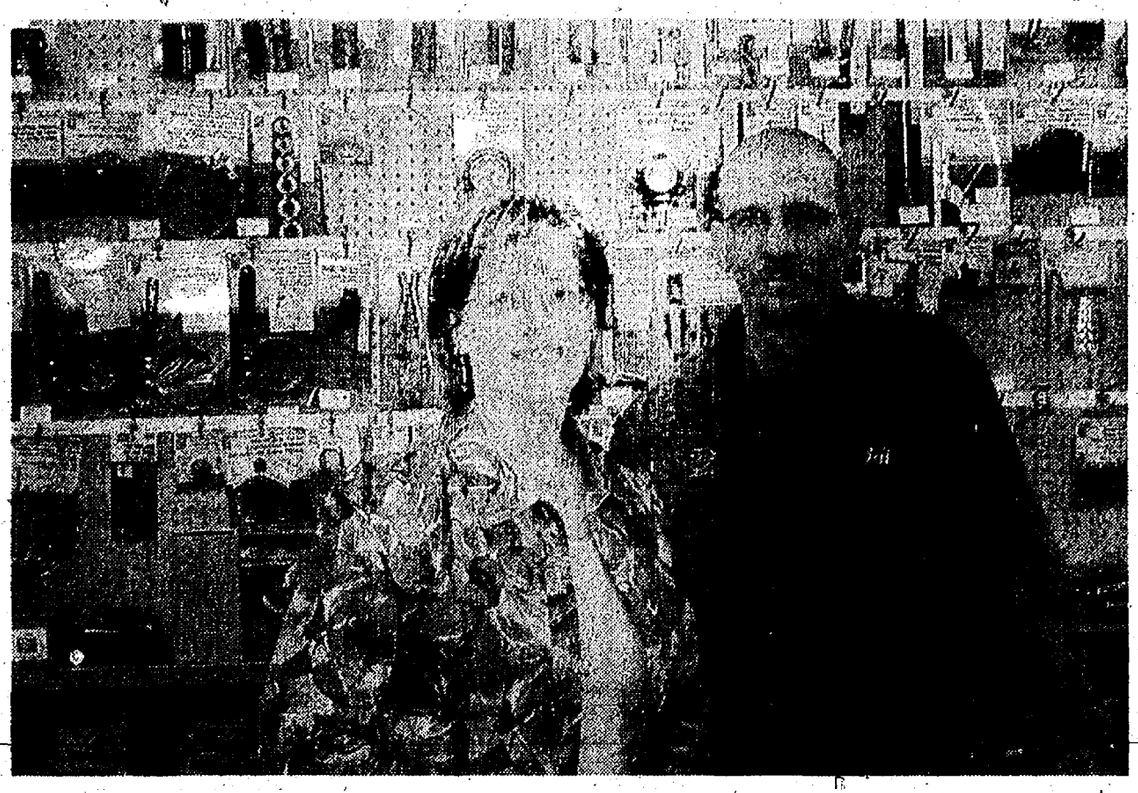
Working for the "man" is one thing. Being the "man" is a whole different thing.

And while Jeff Wilson admits to being a little nervous, he has little doubt he can rev up plenty of success as the new owner of Carquest on N. Main in Chelsea. After all, no one knows the operation better than he does.

"Becoming the owner is great, still a little scary, but exciting," said Wilson, who along with his wife Deb Manville, purchased the business on April 8. "Carquest approached me about six months ago and offered the purchase of the store to me. Their reason for selling is that I have rebuilt the business from almost closing in 2006 to setting sales records in 2007 and 2008.

"Carquest also believes that their small town, independently owned stores do better then if they are company owned."

One of the few changes customers will notice is the new name, "J&D Auto Parts." The services, which include auto, truck, farm and fleet parts, in-house light machine and press work, and full machine shop work, remain the same. And Wilson isn't about to change the outstanding service customers have come to expect over the years.



Deb Manville and Jeff Wilson have taken over ownership of the Carquest in Chelsea.

"We offer friendly, knowledgeable service by people who love what they do and want to help you with your needs, weather it's a fuse or an engine, the service is the same," Wilson said.

While he's new to the ownership tag, Wilson has plenty of experience in his field. He attended Arizona Automotive Institute in the early 1990's for auto and light truck repair and also had two years of auto body and paint education in tech school during high school. As the manager at Carquest for the past three years, he was responsible for all day-to-day operations.

Wilson said, he had no trepidation about taking over a business in this economy.

"This is one of the best business's to be in right now," he said. "People are fixing their vehicles more then they have in recent years and we are there to help in any way we can."

So far, he says: "Business could always be better, but I can't complain."

J&D Auto Parts is still part of Carquest, and Wilson is glad to be associated with the national name. Local owners with a national link is the best of both worlds.

"We had to start a corporation because we are a franchise of Carquest,"

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Carquest

Name of business: J&D Auto Parts (Carquest of Chelsea)

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Number of employees: Five

Grand re-opening: May 9 (will include a pig roast, raffles and give-aways).

Invest in your goals

money WISE By Denise Bauer

During difficult times in the financial markets, it can be hard to stay committed to investing. After all, if many of your investments have lost value, you might be tempted to just put your money under your mattress. But that's not really a productive use of your funds, and it almost certainly won't help you achieve your objectives. So instead of choosing the mattress route, try changing the way you look at your financial situation — by focusing more on your long-term goals and less on the day-to-day performance of your individual investments.

In other words, you're not only investing in "Investment A" — you're investing for a comfortable retirement. And you're not just putting money away in "Investment B" — you're saving for your child's college education.

Once you realize that you are actually investing in these long-term goals, you may find it easier to cope with the ups and downs of investments A, B, C and all the others you own. Of course, this doesn't mean you never have to adjust your portfolio, but if you are investing in your goals, and not just individual vehicles, you'll find it easier to maintain the focus you need to employ suitable investment techniques.

What are some of these techniques? Consider the following:

• Invest appropriately for your stage of life. The long and steep stock market decline of recent months has been especially painful for investors within a few years of retirement. Not only have these people sustained losses, but they also have only a limited amount of time in their working lives for their portfolios to recoup value. Unfortunately, to help pay for living expenses in retirement, they may eventually have to sell investments whose values are down. To avoid this problem, you will need an adequate amount of cash instruments and fixed-income investments available during your retirement.

• Look for quality. Market downturns can hurt most types of investments, but quality stocks usually lose the least in value and recover the quickest. To find these quality stocks, look for companies with superior track records of performance, strong management teams and competitive products. Also, study the industry to which these firms belong. While past performance is not an indication of future results, some industries have better prospects for growth than others.

• Buy and hold. After you've built a portfolio of quality investments, hold them until either your needs change or the investments' fundamentals change. By purchasing quality investments, and holding them for

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DICKINSON, DEAN R.; formerly of Milan. He was a graduate of the Class of 1995 from Milan High School; died suddenly April 10, 2009. He was born September 6, 1977. He is survived by his mother, Gayle (Rod) Favers and his father Perry (LouAnn) Dickinson; his sister Stacy Dickinson; brother, Daryl Dickinson; step-brother, Steven (Lynn) Favers; step-sister, Christine (Victor) Marquez; his wife, Jamie (Webb) Dickinson; and three children, Kaleb and Abbigail (11 years old), and Robert (7 years old); four nieces; one nephew; many aunts, uncles, and cousins. His grandparents, Robert and Dorothy Dickinson and Geraldine Sweet. Dean was preceded in death by his grandfather Vernon Sweet and his uncle Larry Sweet.

DUDA, JULIE KAY; of Belleville, MI, formerly of Dexter, MI; age 38; died Sunday, April 19, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital after a long and courageous fight with cancer. Her unbelievable determination and sprit was an inspiration to all who knew her. Her distinctive, contagious laugh and beautiful smile will be with us forever. She was born on July 5, 1970, in Ann Arbor, MI, the daughter of Gordon and Joan (Boomus) Savery. Julie graduated from Dexter High School in 1988, where she was active in the Equestrian Team. She received her BA in Psychology and Social Work from Eastern Michigan University in 1992. On October 2, 2004, she married Martin E. Duda in Dexter, and he survives. In addition to her husband and her parents, she is survived by two siblings, Cindy (Roger) Putz of Houston, TX, and Jeff (Barb) Savery of Chelsea; several nieces and nephews; and some very special friends, Nikki, Vanessa, Ellen, Jonny and Jon. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Earl (Irene) Savery and Darold (Ella) Heidt. Funeral Services will be held Thursday, April 23, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 8260 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor, with Pastor Larry G. Courson officiating. The family will receive friends at **Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home** in Chelsea on Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. and Thursday at church from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Peace Lutheran Church or the Oncology Unit at St. Joseph Mercy Health System.

TROSIN, ALVIN C.; Chelsea, Michigan; age 79; died Thursday, April 16, 2009 at Chelsea Retirement Community. He was born June 17, 1929 in Detroit, MI, the son of Carl and Martha (Broge) Trosin. Mr. Trosin has lived in Chelsea for 22 years, coming from Detroit. He retired from the Detroit Police Department in the early 1980s. He was a Marksman who trained other police officers to shoot. When he was young, he played Minor League Baseball, and served in US Army Reserve. He enjoyed photography, playing piano, and bird hunting with his dogs. On January 16, 1952, he married Betty L. Hitt in Detroit, and she preceded him in death on December 24, 2006. Survivors include two nieces, Laurie (Daniel) Coleman and Donna (Greg) Rourk; two nephews, Michael Hitt and Thomas (Mimi) Treusch of Troy. Funeral Services will be held Saturday, April 25, 11 am at **Cole Funeral Chapel**, Chelsea, with Rev. Beth Foster officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove East Cemetery, Chelsea. The family will receive friends at Cole Funeral Chapel Friday 2 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association or Chelsea Community Hospital Cardiac Care Unit.

UPHAUS, LILLIAN; age 98; of Manchester; passed away April 16, 2009 at Tecumseh Place II in Tecumseh, MI. She was born on April 6, 1911 in Morley, MI the daughter of Guy and Elsie (Anderson) Swarthout. She married Millard Uphaus on June 22, 1941 and the two of them owned and operated Uphaus Rexall Drugs for many years. Mrs. Uphaus was a homemaker and devoted mother. She was a member of the Emanuel United Church of Christ, Women of Emanuel and Manchester Senior Citizens. Lillian was also an RSVP and Red Cross volunteer for many years. She is survived by her son, Thomas (Charmaine) Uphaus; sister, Dorothy Coulson. Besides her husband, Lillian was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and three sisters. Memorial donations in her honor may be made to University of Michigan W.K. Kellogg Eye Center, for Macular Degeneration Research, Manchester Senior Citizens, or Emanuel United Church Of Christ. Envelopes will be available at the **Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Jenter Chapel** where the family will receive friends on Sunday, April 19, 2009 from 3 to 7 p.m. A Healing Farewell Service will be on Monday, beginning at 11 a.m. at the Emanuel United Church of Christ with Reverend Gary Kwiatek officiating. Interment Oak Grove Cemetery. Please sign Lillian's guestbook at

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SWENARTON, JR., RALPH HARVEY; of Jackson, MI, formerly of Saline, MI; passed away peacefully on Monday, April 13, 2009, in Jackson, MI, after a battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease). Ralph was born on Christmas Day in 1936 and was the son of Ralph Harvey and Eleanor (Krause) Swenarton. He grew up in Asbury Park, NJ, a few blocks from the Atlantic Ocean. Ralph was a graduate of Albright College in Reading, PA, Class of 1959. He met Eva Damen as a junior in college, and they married in June of 1961. Their marriage lasted for over 28 years. They eventually moved to Saline, MI, and bore three boys, Jeffrey Damen of Kalamazoo, MI, Gregory Scott of Jackson, MI, and Grant Christian of Savannah, GA. Ralph was an independent sales representative his entire working life and active in the Saline community. He loved acting and was a longtime member of the Saline Area Players. He was The Music Man, Harold Hill, in 1978, and starred in Oklahoma, Fiddler on the Roof, South Pacific, Barefoot in the Park and many others. He was also active in city government, serving on the Parks and Beautification Board and running for Saline City Council. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and also loved U of M football. He served on field security at the University of Michigan stadium for 25 years. Survivors in addition to his three children include two sisters, Joan Grubbs of Ocean, NJ, and Karen (Ronald) Rutan, of Bremen, ME. He was preceded in death by his parents. Above all else, Ralph was a dedicated father to his children and a friend to all he met. His unparalleled sense of humor was something that he will always be remembered for, as well as his optimistic view of his fellow man. A Memorial Service for Ralph was held on Friday, April 17, 2009, at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Saline, MI, with Rev. Laura Speiran officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to ALS of Michigan, 24359 Northwestern Highway, Ste. #100, Southfield, MI 48075. Envelopes were available at the church, where friends called on Friday, April 17, 2009, at 10 a.m. until time of service at 11 a.m. Arrangements by the **Robison-Bahnmiller Funeral Home** in Saline, MI.

HOWARD, MARGARET D. WATKINS; of Ypsilanti, MI; age 99; died Thursday, April 16, 2009, at Saline Evangelical Home, Saline, MI. She was born January 24, 1910, the only child of Janet and Thomas Watkins. She was always proud of her Welch heritage, being the first generation born in the U.S.A. She grew up in Dearborn, MI. She graduated from Michigan State University in 1932, in home economics, and was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority. She married Arthur J. Howard in 1935. Living in Missouri and Nebraska, they returned to Ypsilanti to help Arthur's father in the Howard's Meat Market on Michigan Avenue in Ypsilanti. The store later moved to Arthur's family farm on S. Huron. Deci had been an active member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Ypsilanti as a member of the Altar Guild and Ladies Guild and as a Sunday school teacher. She was active with Arthur in the Huron Valley Rose Society, where she took awards for miniature roses and arrangements. She was a life member of the Ypsilanti Historical Society. She was active as a Friend of the Matthei Botanical Gardens, member of the Dearborn Herb Society and life member of the Ladies Literary Club. Deci crafted panoramic eggs and Christmas wreaths for church fundraisers. Her love of flowers and gardening was legendary. She worked with her husband in Howard's Market until they retired. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1994. Deci is survived by her son, Robert H. Howard of Ypsilanti; daughter, Janet (Charles) Dickerson of Omena, MI; grandson, David Dickerson of Omena, MI; granddaughter, Rachel North of Suttons Bays, MI; and great granddaughter, Madelein North. A Memorial Service will be held Thursday, April 23, 2009, at 11 a.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 120 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to St. Luke's Episcopal Church for Children Church School. Envelopes will be available at the time of service or by contacting **Janowiak Funeral Home**. Please sign her guestbook at

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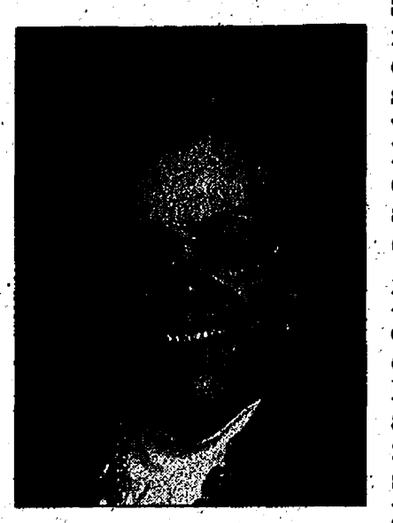

BOYER, VIRGINIA AUDREY; of Chelsea, MI; age 78; died Friday, April 17, 2009, at Chelsea Community Hospital. She was born July 14, 1930, in Springfield, MA, the daughter of William Arthur and Ottilie Adele (Machovec) Rumph. Virginia had lived in Chelsea since 1972. She retired from the Chelsea Public Schools in 1995. Virginia was a Life member of the VFW Auxiliary: Ann Arbor Post #4076, then Chelsea Post #423. Virginia volunteered at South Meadows School Media Center and in the Grandparents Reading Program. She also volunteered approximately 5,000 hours at the VA Hospital, where she was awarded the Volunteer of the Quarter in 2000. She married Eugene H. Schirrmacher in 1949 in Ithaca, NY. He preceded her in 1980. She married Duane Hale Boyer on July 10, 1983, in Las Vegas; and he survives. Other survivors include her children, Carolyn (Dennis) Shepherd of Chelsea, Candace (Brock) Hadley of MO, Christine (Ronnie) Head of VA; William (Peri) Schirrmacher of FL, Harvey (Carolyn) Schirrmacher of VA; Mike Boyer, Cynthia (Jeff) Williams, Pamela Boyer (Steven), Wanda (Brian) Owings, Lisa (Frank) Johnson and Laura Boyer-Lamb (Rob); a sister, Lorraine (Francis) Drazek of NY; 30 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Monday, April 20, 11 a.m. at the Chelsea First United Methodist Church, with Rev. Joy Barrett and Leann Seto officiating. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery, Chelsea. The family received friends at **Cole Funeral Chapel** Sunday, 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Chelsea First United Methodist Church or the Ann Arbor VA Medical Center.

SUCCOP, ARLENE; Whitmore Lake, MI; 90 years old. Arlene E Succop, music educator, gardener with ten green thumbs, loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother and friend of the earth died Easter Sunday, April 12 about 1 a.m. at Arbor Hospice. Shortly after celebrating her 90th birthday on January 1, 2009, Arlene suffered two strokes and though she fought valiantly to regain her strength and abilities she passed on three months later. She was born Arlene Engle, the daughter of Emma and Charles Engle in Port Hope, MI on January 1, 1919, graduated from Valparaiso University and taught music at Grand Blanc, MI public school until her marriage to Harry Succop in 1944. After raising her daughters she returned to teaching music to preschoolers. She is survived by her three daughters, Judy (Greg) Krueger, Linda (David) Prentice, and Pattie (Tim) Redmond; ten grandchildren, Jacob (Peg) Bolduc, Noah (Heidi) Bolduc, Jeanette (Michael) Gonzolez, John (Marissa) Prentice, Phil (Beth) Prentice, Michael Prentice, Nathan (Anna) Redmond, Sara (Ryan) Snow, Joe Redmond, Elizabeth Redmond; and three great grandchildren, Jordan, Emma and Ethan Bolduc; as well as one brother, Carlton Engle. She will be remembered as a woman with a gift for teaching music to children and growing flowers, a mother and grandmother of patience and heart, a wife. She created love with everyone she encountered and while she had deep reserves of strength, persistence and common sense, her friends would describe her as sweet and giving. Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of her Life will be held later in the spring. Memorials may be made to The National Audubon Society, 225 Varick St, New York, NY 10014 or online at

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In Loving Memory of
Catherine Cabender

Our beloved wife, mother and grandmother who passed away 26 years ago, April 26th, is still sadly missed by your loving family.

Happenings around Washtenaw County

Youth Day

United Way of Washtenaw County and Washtenaw Area Teens for Tomorrow have teamed up with Heart of Michigan Girl Scouts Council and Washtenaw County 4-H for the fourth annual Youth Day of Caring.

The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 2. Youth teams, ages 13 through 24, will fan out to work at community service projects throughout the greater Washtenaw County area. Sample projects may include such activities as gardening, cleaning up areas for new playgrounds, cleaning toys and organizing art material. Youth Day of Caring is modeled after the annual United Ways Day of Caring.

Students from Washtenaw County public and private high schools and middle schools, Washtenaw Community College, University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University will volunteer at each participating nonprofit agency. Students, teachers or volunteers who are interested in participating should register online at watt.ewashtenaw.org or call Jeremy Keeney, WATT Project director, at 973-4384.

Rabbit fund-raiser

The Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary has lauriched a new fundraiser to support the nonprofit group's work. And it fits in a wallet.

Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary and CardPartner Inc. have joined forces to launch the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary Visa affinity credit card. When a cardholder activates the card, the sanctuary receives $50. Then once a month for the life of the program, Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary receives a check for a portion of every dollar that every cardholder charges.

"Using the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary Visa Platinum credit card for everyday purchases is an easy way for supporters to help the homeless rabbits the sanctuary cares for," Board President Tim Patino said in a news release. "The money the sanctuary receives from this program will give abandoned, abused and neglected domestic rabbits a second chance at happiness."

The program card offers qualified cardholders no annual fee, 0 percent annual percentage rate on purchases and balance transfers for the first six months.

Find out more about the rabbit sanctuary and its new fundraiser at www.rabbitsanctuary.org.

Rural Education Days

The Washtenaw County MSU Extension office, Washtenaw County Farm Bureau and the Washtenaw Farm Council are sponsoring the 19th annual Rural Education Days April 28, 29, and 30.

The purpose of Project RED is to educate third-grade students about local agriculture and natural resources. More than 2,650 students, teachers and chaperones from 25 different public and private schools, representing every school district in the county, are registered to participate in Rural Education Day sessions scheduled during school hours.

All activities will be held at the Washtenaw County Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor Saline Road, near Saline.

Many local agriculture and natural resources organizations, businesses, county offices and interested volunteers will be assisting with the program.

Each day is split into sessions and will include five learning centers, and commodity showcase featuring samples of agricultural products. The Washtenaw County Conservation District will also provide a tree seedling for each student. In addition, participating teachers receive an information/activity packet on agriculture and natural resources that they can use in their classroom.

Weddings

Laura Prochaska and Derek Ayers were married October 11, 2008 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter. Parents of the bride are Joe and Gerrie Prochaska of Dexter. Parents of the groom are Mark and Carolyn Ayers of Whitmore Lake.

Matron of Honor was Jennifer Dluzak of Fort Wayne, Ind., sister of the bride. Maid of Honor was Kathleen Prochaska of Holt, sister of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Teresa Misch of Chandler, Ariz., cousin of the bride, and Margo Jacobs of Birmingham, Leslie Ziegler of Grand Rapids and Ann Horowitz of Ann Arbor, friends of the bride and groom.

Best Man was Peter Ayers of Whitmore Lake, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Jim Tchorzynski of Hamburg, Jon Cook of Ann Arbor, Tim Bergstrom of Dexter, Eric Statler of Ann Arbor and John Hughes of Ann Arbor, friends of the bride and groom.

Flower girls were Arianna and Gillian Mistry, friends of the bride. Ring Bearer was Tahunuiarangi Ayers, nephew of groom.

The bride's uncle, Father John Prochaska of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Fremont, Calif., officiated the ceremony.

The reception was held at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. The couple honeymooned at St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

The bride graduated from Dexter High School and from Michigan State University. She is employed as a first grade teacher in Dearborn.

The groom graduated from Dexter High School and Eastern Michigan University. He is employed as a high school teacher in Hamtramck.

The couple resides in Livonia.

Around Town

U-M Golf Outing

The third annual **"Brian Griese and Steve Hutchinson Champions for Children's Hearts Celebrity Golf Tournament"** is May 16-17 at the University of Michigan Golf Course. This event presents an exciting opportunity to join professional athletes and sponsors from across the country to support one of the best children's hospitals in the world.

Former University of Michigan football players and 1997 National Champions Brain Griese and Steve Hutchinson spearheaded this effort to raise money for the new C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and its Congenital Heart Center. A gala dinner for 500 guests kicks off the weekend festivities on Saturday, May 16, followed by golf at the University of Michigan golf course on Sunday, May 17.

On the scorecard this year include Charles Woodson, Braylon Edwards, Jake Long, Lamarr Woodley, former Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr, current coach Rich Rodriguez and many more.

Proceeds from the Griese-Hutchinson event benefit construction of the new children's hospital, the Michigan Congenital Heart Center and the Samara Mendu Fellowship Fund at Michigan in Pediatric Cardiology and Pediatric Cardiac Surgery. Mott Children's Hospital is one of the largest and highly ranked pediatric health science centers in America, and its Congenital Heart Center is a world leader in the care of complex heart disorders.

For information, contact Anne Berlucchi at 734-998-8822.

Dinner and auction

What: The planning committee for the 175th Celebration of the Founding of the City/Village of Chelsea would like to extend a warm invitation to the Chelsea community to come to a very special spaghetti dinner and silent auction. This event will feature a meal cooked by Lynda Collins (Thompson's Pizza).

Where: Chelsea Fairgrounds

When: Thursday, April 30 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Cost: Donations will be accepted.

Why: The proceeds from this event will go towards the fireworks on June 27. In addition, proceeds will help fund the writing of the 175th Historical Book which is nearing completion. This is one event of many, as we look forward to the 175th celebration which will take place Thursday, June 25-28. All the planning members of the 175th are very enthused and busy planning for all the activities leading up to and including the 175th Celebration.

Contact information: e-mail: Chelsea175@hotmail.com, or call (734) 475-1174

Blessing of the Bikes

On Sunday, April 26, the St. Louis Center will present their third annual Blessing of the Bikes event. Chaired by Sheila Fitzgibbons and Richard Ellison of Mason, the 2008 event doubled in size from the first year, and 150 motorcycles and their riders were in attendance to enjoy some great Christian Rock music and great camaraderie.

Admission to Blessing of the Bikes begins at 11:30 a.m., and the blessing will take place at 1:15 p.m. A $5 per person donation will be collected at the gate. Food, bottled water, soft drinks and special edition t-shirts will be available for purchase, and the band "Soul Zone Riders" will return to provide free entertainment.

St. Louis Center is a residential care center that provides services to children and adults with developmental disabilities.

For more information, visit www.stlouiscenter.org, or contact Joe Yekulis at 734-475-8430. St. Louis Center is located at 16195 Old US-12, Chelsea.

CARQUEST

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Wilson said. "J&D is Jeff and Deb. We will have a sign for the new name but most of the signs for Carquest will stay because we are still proud to be a Carquest store."

Wilson has lived in Chelsea since 1999. Manville has been in Chelsea for about 30 years.

"She has two wonderful girls, Maggie and Sarah Manville, who I am proud to have been in their lives for the past 10 years," Wilson said. And the couple is all about taking care of Chelsea and the surrounding communities.

"Our goal is just to be there for the community's needs and the rest will fall into place," he said. "We want to thank all the customers who have made the business a success through the years and will continue to do so in the years to come."

MONEY

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the long term, you can help boost your chances for success while cutting down on the costs — both financial and strategic — associated with frequent buying and selling.

* Maintain reasonable expectations. Back in the 1990s, many investors got used to average annual returns of 15 percent or more. But these returns were more of an aberration than a representative sample. For a variety of reasons, most investment experts foresee more modest returns in the near future. Once you accept this premise, you are far less likely to be disappointed with your own returns, and you will be less prone to make hasty decisions that may also prove to be bad ones.

By following these suggestions, and by always remembering that the goals for which you are investing are more important than short-term investment returns, you can stay on track toward the future you've envisioned.

Denise Bauer is a financial advisor with Edward Jones, 12855 E Old Us Hwy 12 (Suite 4) in Chelsea. She can be reached at (734) 475-3519.

CONCERT

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than $4 million for international relief and development agency Mercy Corps, making Talbot their largest individual fund raiser. A recipient of their Humanitarian of the Year award, he has also been honored with the President's Merit award from the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences as well as with performing for Mother Teresa of Calcutta and Pope John Paul II.

Talbot's recordings and fans are global in distribution, inspiring letters of gratitude and appreciation which often recount life-altering moments including reports of listening during the birth of children and even at the death of a loved one, Sievert said. Tickets for the concert are $15 in advance and $20 at the door, and can be ordered by calling 734-426-8483 or they are also available at the St. Joseph Catholic Church after all weekend liturgies, or at the parish office during the week.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Act 344 of the Public Acts of 1982 that a REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS session held on April 15, 2009, will be available for public inspection and copying from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning Tuesday, April 28, 2009, at the Office of the County Clerk/Register, Suite 120, 200 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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NOTICE

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

AT 7:00 P.M.
AT
DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD.
DEXTER, MI. 48130

AGENDA

1) Washtenaw Parks Recreation & Commission, Preliminary & Final Site Plan Review
2) Verizon Wireless, Final Site Plan Review
3) Review Zoning Ordinance Amendment 34-7

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NOTICE

LYNDON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP ELECTION COMMISSION WILL MEET TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009 AT 1:00 P.M. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT LYNDON TOWNHALL, 17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD, CHELSEA, MI 48118.

AGENDA:

1. PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST TO BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE THAT THE PROGRAM AND THE ACCUVOTE MACHINE BEING USED TO TABULATE THE RELULTS FOR THE MAY 5, 2009 ELECTION COUNTS THE VOTES IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW.
2. PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST TO BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE THAT THE AUTOMARK BALLOT MARKING DEVICE FOR HANDICAPPED VOTERS MARKS THE OVALS AS PRESCRIBED BY THE LAW FOR THE MAY 5, 2009 ELECTION.

This notice is posted in compliance with the PA 267 of 1976 as amended MCLA41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individual with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing.

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

A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the clerk.

Linda Reilly, Lyndon Township Clerk Posted

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NOTICE
TESTING OF VOTING EQUIPMENT

To the qualified electors of the Township of Dexter, notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of MCL 168.798(1), the Dexter Township Clerk will conduct a *PUBLIC TEST* of the voting equipment to be used in the May 5th School Election. The test will be conducted on Tuesday, April 28th, 2009, at 1:00 P.M. at the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI 48130. Interested members of the public are invited to observe this Public Test. Please contact the Clerk's office with any questions (734-426-3767).

Harley B. Rider, Clerk
Dexter Township

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DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2009

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan
ROLL CALL: President Keough, Carson,Cousins – absent, Fisher, Semifero, Smith, Tell
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Motion Semifero; support Smith to approve the regular Council minutes of March 9, 2009 with the following corrections: K-2 – correct "discussion followed..." to read "A general discussion followed on all options and funding for Village Offices.", M-Fisher comments – change to asked policy on placing boulders and naming Village Parks.
Unanimous voice vote for approval
APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion Tell support Smith to approve the agenda with the addition of J-3
Consideration of: Request from the "Parents Who Host" campaign to place yard signs in and around Dexter promoting their campaign.
Unanimous voice vote for approval
CONSENT AGENDA
Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of $253,742.43
Consideration of: Appointment of Jerusha Clark to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee
Consideration of: Request from "Parents Who Host" campaign to place yard signs in and around Dexter promoting their campaign
Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2 and 3 of the consent agenda as presented, Unanimous voice vote for approval
NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:
Motion Semifero; support Carson that the Village of Dexter Council does hereby approve the submittal of the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant application titled Mill Creek Park Development for funding consideration and authorizes Community Development Manager Allison Bishop to sign application documents. Be it further resolved, that upon approval of the grant application, the Village of Dexter commits to financing the Mill Creek Park Development project, as specified in the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund application, including a local project match of $350,000 or 42% of the total project cost of $850,000. The local match shall consist of $233,000 in cash, $7,000 in staff labor and $110,000 from other grant funding and match requirements. The requested grant funding is $500,000.
Ayes: Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough Nays: None
Absent: Cousins
Motion carries
Motion Semifero; support Fisher to approve the proposal from Midwestern Consulting to conduct a spot speed study on 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th streets from Broad to Hudson in the amount of $4360.00
Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher and Keough Nays: None
Absent: Cousins
Motion carries
Motion Fisher; support Semifero to set a Public Hearing on April 13 for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan
Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Smith and Keough Nays: None
Absent: Cousins
Motion carries
ADJOURNMENT
Motion Smith; support Fisher to adjourn at 8:49 Unanimous voice vote for approval Respectfully submitted, Carol J. Jones Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: April 13, 2009
NOTE: This is a synopsis of the Regular Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Village Office at 8123 Main Street, Dexter MI or online at www.villageofdexter.org

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April 7, 2009

The regular meeting of the Sylvan Township Board was held April 7, 2009 at 7pm at the Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US-12, Chelsea, MI 48118.

Members present: Supervisor Lange, Treasurer Grau, Trustee Lesser and Cooper.
Absent: Clerk Koch

Also present: Hank Schoch, Tom Caplis, Corrine Sikorski, Michalene Pawlak, Jerry Jackson, Elsie Swanberg, Denell Kolk.

The meeting was called to order and the pledge recited.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Cooper to approve minutes as corrected. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Lesser to pay bills as presented. Carried.

No Public Participation

Zoning Inspector Caplis reported 2 zoning compliance permits, 1 certificate of occupancy and 2 enforcement actions for the month of March 2009.

A presentation was made to the board by Michelene Pawlak regarding WAVE.

Reports:

Treasurer Grau reported on CACA.

Trustee Lesser reported on the Neighborhood Watch.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion by Grau, seconded by Lesser to award the Lawn Care Contract to T & N Service, the same contractor as last year. Carried.

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Grau to approve the Election Inspectors as presented. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Cooper, to table the request to combine parcels. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Cooper to approve the WCRC Agreement and give authorization to the Supervisor and Clerk to sign. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Cooper to re-appoint Grau and Lange as Delegate and Alternate to CACA. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Cooper to access the LOC from R. Cook Properties for the Chelsea Springs Development as R. Cook Properties Sylvan, Inc. has failed to perform its obligation and is in default under the term of the Chelsea Springs Phase I Development Agreement and/or the Second Amendment to the Chelsea Springs Phase I Development Agreement. Roll Call vote – all ayes – Carried.

Corrine Sikorski reported on WWRA and advised the board of the County Spring Clean Up to be held on May 2, 2009 at the Werkner Road location from 9-4 with a $10 donation.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Lange to adjourn.

Arlene J. Grau
Acting Secretary

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CHS Honor Roll: Second Term

High Honors

Laura Adkins, James Alexander, Elijah Arons, Lauren Barbour, Jessica Battaglia, Chelsea Baxter, Daniel Bertoni, Kristen Bokros, Mallori Bolter, Megan Brockett, Amelia Brown, Sarah Bucholz, Ellen Christie, Mackenzie Cole, Brian Cole, Joseph Cox, Jessica Craig, Jennifer Craig, Corey Critchfield, Alexander Desai, Sophie Detroyer, Joseph Dreyer, Travis Duve, Matthew Eble, Sarah Eckart, Kathryn Eisley, Lillian Ellis, Tessa Elwart, Nathanael England, Harold Eyster, Samantha French, Chelsea Friday, Spencer Gines, Samuel Glaubitz, Eric Gordon, Megan Hall, Laura Heaney, Tonya Heimerdinger, Jessica Hinderer, Stephen Jennings, McKenna Jerant, Elaine Johnson, Lisa Keene, Esther Kim, Ryan Koenn, Nicholas Kucinski, Brennan Kurth, Kevin LaForest, Kerrie Leonard, Bourke Lodewyk, Laura Lodewyk, Bradley Lotz, Lauren Lyons, Grace Martin, John Mitchell, Austin Moore, Christopher Murdock, Hanna Newbound, Tiffany Newman, Alison Osborn, Jessica Palumbo, Daniel Patton, Teresa Perdomo, Amber Plemens, Charlotte Prenevost, Jessica Ruikka, Jarred Scheese, Nicole Schmelz, Alec Sensoli, Erik Shackelford, Peter Siewertsz vanReesema, Zoe Sing, Alyssa Smith, Rose Smith-Woollams, Megan Staelgraeve, Katelynn Stehlik, Sarah VanGoor, Mason Wagner, Blake Wenn, Rachel Williams, Melissa Wright, Christopher Alexander, Brandy Alexander, Philip Arbogast-Wilson, Emma Argiroff, Cal Bauer, Danielle Bean, Cara Bloom, Jacob Bogarin, Cara Connell, Katlin Connin, Sarah Conrad, Rachel Cooperrider, Aaron Deaton, Timothy DeRosia, Hailey Dixon, Jacqueline Dotts, Clara Erickson, Brooke Gier, Rebecca Glover, Simone Gonzalez-Nagy, Robert Hall, Joseph Haroney, Martin Harris, Emma Hergenreder, Kristine Herman, Taylor Heydlauff, Joseph Hoeflinger, Andrew Johnson, Natalie Kaczorowski, Page Katz, Charles Kempf, Michael LaCroix, Zachary Lenza, Rebecca Mattison, Christopher Millen, Matthew Mills, Claire Myers, August Pappas, Lauren Rainier, Dylan Raye-Leonard, Jacob Ripberger, Patrick Roberts, Amanda Robertson, Anna Rode, Kyle Rodriguez, Elizabeth Elean Rutter, Dylan Schepers, Zachary Schepers, Erika Scott, Emily Shrosbree, Meghan Smith, Devon Spaulding, Amber Stebelton, Ellie Stoffer, Conor Tait, Connor Townsend, Sarah Valek, Michelle Wellman, Breanna Wooster, Marianna Zuccala, Aaron Zynda, David Adrian, Julianna Ameel, Diana Bach, Sarah Bingel, Lorna Blocksma, Shelbi Bolter, Trevor Brown, Melanie Burchett, Christina Coffman, Amanda Craig, Lucas Dehring, Olivia DeTroyer, Scott DeVol, Erin Draper, Marissa Elwart, Graham Charles Emberton, Nickolas Forsch, Kelly Fournier, Maxwell Frame, Kaci Friss, Eric Gabbard, Joseph Gunden, Megan Hardcastle, Jacob Hash, Abby Ingall, Kate Lewis-Lakin, Courtney Maher, Kate Menge, Courtney Newman, Rachel Phillips, Viran Rana, Lucas Riley, Lukas Rowland, Viktor Rozsa, Emily Schaible, Brittany Schmelz, Kelly Schmidt, Collin Scott, Elyse St. Pierre, John Stebelton, David Straub, Emma Tinsley, Tristan Weber, Victoria Young, Lauren Zigman, Amanda Abdon, Kristin Angelocci, Matthew Bach, Kaitlin Barttelt, Kendra Beeman, Ashley Bell, Rachel Bell, Erin Benjamin, Lee Benton, Matthew Bohl, Adam Brennan, Rebecca Brezee, Alexandria Broekhuizen, Stephanie Case, Benjamin Christie, Lisa Dorrance, Kimberly Eckart, Brooke Ehman, Stephanie Everard, Kayleigh Fletcher, Rebecca Foster, Jared Gentz, Alyson Gines, Cameron Girard, Braden Gladstone, Kimberly Hansen, Duncan Harris, Jack Hermann, Noah Hermann, Derik Heumann, Ann Howe, Jessica Jimenez-Brown, Amanda Johnson, Joshua Kaminski, Todd Kruse, Robert Kucinski, Taylor Lewis, Abby Lewis-Lakin, Katherine Lindauer, Jacob Mantel, Amy Martzolff, Kelly Maveal, Katherine McEachern, William Murdock III, Matthew Otto, Amanda Patton, Nicole Reid, Scott Rhodes, Zoe Rozsa, Audrey Ruikka, Nicole Saarinen, Katherine Sayer, Simon Schudel, Krystin Schwarze, Sarah Shrosbree, Frederik Siewertsz van Reesem, Mark Smith, Amy Stacy, Kathryn Steklac, David Stratman, Michael Stratman, Jessica Tchoryk, David Valek, Nicholas Weir, Geneva Willis, Ryan Wrathall, Colleen Zander.

Honor Roll

Jessica Banko, Cody Barber, Jacob Bolt, Christopher Boyd, Joel Bradley, Nicole Brown, Cory Cameron-Gaffield, Andrew Cerveny, Simon Cone, Kaila Croskey, Noah Crowder, Danielle Dahl, Dominic Davis, Andrew Durden, Maia Evans, Robert Everard, Nicholas Everding, Cody Fojtik, Tyler Frisbie, Anna Friss, Tyler Geiger, Maxwell Giller, David Ricardo Gonzalez, Lauren Gravelyn, Jessica Hall, Patrick Haverty, Anna Helvey, Megan Hilbert, Kyle Hughes, Amanda Johnson, Adam Junkins, Vincent Kause, Mikayla Kies, Katelyn Kingsley, Melissa Knox, Michael Koss, Griffin Kuras, Toni Lauretano, Cole Mauti, Alexander Mawhinney, Jack McDougall, Zoe Miller, Zenah Mitchel, Hope Morrow, Andrew Nelson, Bryan Nichols, Sean O'Quinn, Bryce Rickman, Nicholas Peter Rosol, Jill Schmidt, Theresa Schuessler, Abigail Shott, Heather Smallwood, Matthew Smith, Tanner Starkey, Jacob Steinhauer, Taylor Stevens, Taylor VanRiper, Brenna VanSchoick, Ronald Wallace, Regan White, Jennifer Williams, Sarah Wood, Nicholas Young, Haleigh Zimmerman, Courtenay Ackley, Ross Argir, Benjamin Avila, Christian Ballow, Dylan Beckett, Kayleigh Bennett, Claudia Birgy, Samantha Blackledge, Samantha Brown, Corinne Carpenter, Austin Centofanti, Ashley Chrisman, Shelby Collins, Clint Corser, Emily Cottrell, Tyler Ellis, Paige Erickson, Megan Erskine, Hannah Fitzsimmons, Tyler Frank, Kathleen Frankhart, Erica Fredericks, Casey Mae Fry, Aubrey Gadbury, Brandyn Gallup, Stephon Gholer, Matthew Gillespie, Emma Gillingham, Lauren Gray, Krystin Yelena Haapala, Emily Hackney, Luke Heinen, Samuel Hess III, Chelsea Hollingsworth, Michael Howell, Brett Hutcheon, Bethany Karschnick, Zachary Karschnick, Anna Kingsinger, Paul Kizer, Andrew Koch, Katherine Lange, Dominic Leone, Steven Lesko, Alexandria Liedel, Sara Luckhardt, Maranda Luckhardt, Matthew Malone, Charles McCalla, Jacob McCarthy, Rebecca McGregor, Jack Meloche, Brittany Moore, Henry Mountain, Spencer Mykala, Samantha Newbound, Cooper Nickels, Kelly O'Keefe, Hannah Olsen, Madeleine Olson, David Patrias, Brian Paulsen, Jake Riemenschneider, Alexis Roberts, Henry Rutherford, David Slusser, Candice Smyth, Sean Stalhandske, Sarah Stamper, Ernest Stech, Victoria Stevens, Erin Stewart, Rachel Trimas, Breea Pauleena Tschirhart, Diana Uihlein, Emily Vail, Katie VanSchoick, Marc Vredeveld, Nicholas Wales, Sarah Weingartz, Chelsea Weiss, Paul Werner, Maxwell Peter Wesley, Emily Whitesall, Andrew Wickens, Jessica Wisniewski, Colby Wrathall, Alyssa Young, Marie Zill, Schuyler Adkins, Kayla Baisch, Brian Bazydlo, Cameron Glen Beatty, Julie Beaumont, Hannah Boshoven, Emily Bougher, Ashlyn Brinklow, Sarah Bross, Andrew Brown, Rigel Bruening, Alyssa Carden, Julia Cassell, Jordan Chattaway, James Clark, Spencer Cone, Heather Cooper, Gregory Cornwell, Alisa Cremer, Abigail Crowder, Alexander Cuper, Matthew Darr, Brennan Darwin, Samantha Dault, Tyler Alexander Delor, Sara Dixon, Kaley Dixon, Ryan Doty, Jason Doyle, Rachel Droncheff, Tate Feeney, Stephanie Fitzpatrick, Jesse Forner, Barbara Franco, Hannah Gavorek, Noah Gebhard, Zakary Giller, Amy Glover, Lacy Goderis, Travis Goetz, Claire Golec, Olivia Hagerman, Delmar Hall, Lance Hammer, Flora Hay, Michael Heydlauff, Nicholas Hill, Casey Hirth, Daniel Hudson, Gregory Hughes, Natalia Isaeva, Cara Johnson, Peter Kinsey, Kelly Kovacs, Jessica Kussurelis, Nikola Laeder, Sean LaForest, Madison Marable, David Martin, Ke'Mann McGee, Jenna McGrath, Joshua McKenzie, Max McLaughlin, Daniel Merkel, Joshua Moffat, Montana Nickerson, Gary Oberholtzer, Thomas O'Neill, Elspeth Pennell, Hailey Preston, Donna Prieskorn, Jacob Prince, Noureddine Rizka, Tyler Salgat, Morgan Satterthwaite, Alexis Schlaff, Nigel Schuh, Timothy Shoemaker, Jonathan Skidmore, Nicole Spencer, Devyn Trester, Shane Trojanowski, Ferdinando Ulisse, Vincent Verardi, Chelsea Vincent, Graham Wagner, Colton Waterbury, Kyle Wenn, Kyle Whitley, Kyle Wolf, Sarah Wolpoff, Kyra Yanko, Gregory Zamenski, Amanda Zielinski, Jordan Alligood, Michael Baker, Amanda Ball, Caleb Barttelt, Stephanie Becker, April Bogdanski, Amy Bokros, Joel Boyce, Heather Boyer, James Brien, Joshua Bryant, Jenna Bumstead, Liam Calloway, Sean Ciaccio, Glen Cobb, Michael Cooper, Katlin Cottrell, Randall Cox, Hannah Crowder, William Dark, Joshua Dinser, Megan Dunn, Nicholas Dyerly, Gwendolyn Eder, John Edgerly, Riley Feeney, Taylor Fetters, Andrew Gerace, Daniel Gilbert, Michael Goedert, Nicholas Gordenier, Rachel Grant, Anissa Gregg, Stevie Gregory, Curtis Hedges, Nicholas Hewitt, John Hillaker, Patrick Holloway, Nichole Hopp, Jennifer Houk, Tao Hu, Joseph Hume, Kelly Hutcheon, Daniel Jackson, Ethan Johnson, Lauren Johnson, Brianna Kalmbach, Taylor Keating, Samantha Keene, Trevor Kies, Victoria Kingsinger, Amanda Koch, Timothy Koch, Dominic Kootsillas Conybeare, Katherine Koval, Lisa Krischok, Myles Lange, Rachel Lawrence, Olivia Layher, Alexandra LeBeau, Jakob Lotz, Stacy Marks, Eric Marzec, Christopher Mattison, Reid Mauti, Matthew McClelland, Jillian McConville, Sean Christian McQuarrie, Carly Meloche, Colin Mindel, Brianna Morales, Nicholas Morrow, Alex Mote, Zachary Munce, Steven O'Keefe, Drake Olejniczak, Carolyn Olsen, Mary Ottoman, Sophia Pappas, Maria Paz, Ashley Plemens, Margaret Amelia Raines, Vinisha Rana, Cayla Redmond, Camilla Reynolds, Scott Richards, Katherine Ridley, Michael Roberts, Corey Robertson, Alyssa Rodgers, Timothy Rosentreter, Kevin Rosentreter, Sean Ruffin, Chad Schiller, Anna Kateri Schwiebert, Andrew Sensoli, Jessica Snay, Jennifer Squires, Chelsea Stech, Claire Stephens, Olivia Stucki, Zoe Suffety, Hayden Uihlein, Colton Veal, Jordan Veenstra, Peter Wilke, Alana Wright, John Zink, Philipp Emanuel Zu Dohna.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2009

From 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS: CHELSEA SCHOOLS, DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, AND STOCKBRIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS; AND FOR VOTING ON A CHELSEA SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSAL AND A CHELSEA AREA FIRE AUTHORITY MILLAGE. FOR A LIST OF CANDIDATES AND BALLOT PROPOSALS VISIT ELECTIONS.EWASHTENAW.ORG OR CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER'S OFFICE AT 734-222-6730.

PRECINCTS AND POLLING LOCATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS

Chelsea City
1 & 2 – Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington

Dexter Township
1 & 3 - Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter
2 - Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority Office, 12088 N. Territorial Rd., Dexter

Lima Township
1 - Township Hall, 11452 Jackson Rd. at Lima Center

Lyndon Township
1 - Township Hall, 17751 N. Territorial Rd.

Sylvan Township
1 - Township Hall, 18027 Old US Highway 12.

All polling locations are accessible to voters with disabilities. The AutoMark voter assist terminal, Braille and audio instruction are also available in all polling locations.

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Catherine McClary, Treasurer

Phone: 734.222.6600
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I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Friday, March 06, 2009, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in City of Chelsea, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows: Charter millages are not over and above the tax limitation, but are listed here for information purposes. The records in this Office may not yet include all updated tax levies for the current year.

	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6321	12/2019
Chelsea School District	Headlee Non-Homestead	2.834	2014
	Sinking	0.925	2016
	Operating Non-Homestead	16.6786	2013
City of Chelsea	Solid Waste	0.4369	Indefinite
	Gen Operating	19.3095	Indefinite
	Streets	4.5246	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	0.948	12/2010
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
Washtenaw County	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2353	2016
	EECS	0.2	2015
	HCMA	0.2146	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2409	2011
	Parks	0.2367	2009
	Vet Relf	0.025	2009
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2010
	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite

Dated: Friday, March 06, 2009, Catherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer

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	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6321	12/2019
Chelsea School District	Sinking	0.925	2016
	Operating Non-Homestead	16.6786	2013
	Headlee Non-Homestead	2.834	2014
Sylvan Township	Allocated Operating	0.9474	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	0.948	12/2010
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
Washtenaw County	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2353	2016
	EECS	0.2	2015
	HCMA	0.2146	Indefinite
	Vet Relf	0.025	2009
	Parks	0.2367	2009
	Parks	0.2409	2011
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2010
	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite

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	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6321	12/2019
Chelsea School District	Operating Non-Homestead	16.6786	2013
	Headlee Non-Homestead	2.834	2014
	Sinking	0.925	2016
Dexter Community Schools	Operating Non-Homestead	2.633	2013
	Operating Non-Homestead	17.3727	2013
Dexter District Library	Operating	0.6925	1/1/2011
	Operating	0.4361	Indefinite
Lima Township	Operating	0.8191	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	0.948	12/2010
	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
Washtenaw County	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	HCMA	0.2146	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2353	2016
	EECS	0.2	2015
	Parks	0.2409	2011
	Parks	0.2367	2009
	Vet Relf	0.025	2009
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite
	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2010

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	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea School District	Headlee Non-Homestead	2.834	2014
	Sinking	0.925	2016
	Operating Non-Homestead	16.6786	2013
Dexter Community Schools	Operating Non-Homestead	17.3727	2013
	Operating Non-Homestead	2.633	2013
Dexter District Library	Operating	0.4361	Indefinite
	Operating	0.6925	1/1/2011
Freedom Township	Operating	0.9976	Indefinite
Manchester Community Schools	NH Operating	17.8344	12/2009
	Headlee	4.954	12/2009
Manchester District Library	Operating	1.05	12/2015
Saline Area Schools	Recreation	0.8311	12/2010
	Operating	4.951	12/2013
	Operating	17.3357	12/2013
Saline District Library	Operating	0.55	2026
	Operating	0.833	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	0.948	12/2010
	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
Washtenaw County	Parks	0.2409	2011
	HCMA	0.2146	Indefinite
	EECS	0.2	2015
	Parks	0.2353	2016
	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2367	2009
	Vet Relf	0.025	2009
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2010
	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite

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	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea School District	Sinking	0.925	2016
	Headlee Non-Homestead	2.834	2014
	Operating Non-Homestead	16.6786	2013
Grass Lake Community Schools	Operating	2.431	2013
	Operating	1.6011	2013
	Operating	14.4098	2014
Jackson County ISD	Vocational	2.1414	Indefinite
	General	0.3422	Indefinite
	Special	0.9	2012
	Special	4.7264	Indefinite
Manchester Community Schools	Headlee	4.954	12/2009
	NH Operating	17.8344	12/2009
Napoleon Schools	Operating Non-Homestead	1.5	12/2015
	Operating Non-Homestead	17.2683	12/2016
Sharon Township	Allocated Operating	0.8882	Indefinite
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
	Operating	0.948	12/2010
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
Washtenaw County	Parks	0.2367	2009
	Vet Relf	0.025	2009
	HCMA	0.2146	Indefinite
	EECS	0.2	2015
	Parks	0.2353	2016
	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2409	2011
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2010
	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite
	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite

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Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6321	12/2019
Chelsea School District	Sinking	0.925	2016
	Headlee Non-Homestead	2.834	2014
	Operating Non-Homestead	16.6786	2013
Ingham Intermediate School District	Vocational Ed-All	1.2925	Indefinite
	Operating-All	0.1894	Indefinite
	Special Ed All	4.5062	Indefinite
Lyndon Township	Operating	0.7224	Permanent
Stockbridge Community Schools	Operating Non-Homestead	17.5694	12/2009
	Operating Non-Homestead	5.8564	12/2009
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	0.948	12/2010
Washtenaw County	Parks	0.2353	2016
	Parks	0.2409	2011
	HCMA	0.2146	Indefinite
	Vet Relf	0.025	2009
	Parks	0.2367	2009
	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	Parks	0.2409	2011
Washtenaw Intermediate School District	Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2010
	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite
	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite

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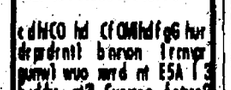

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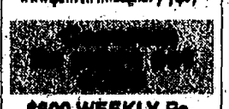

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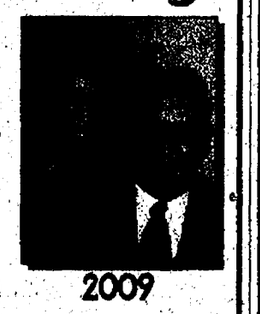

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Garage/Rummage Sales 2080

3RD ANNUAL Tecumseh City Wide Garage Sale April 30th, May 1st, May 2nd Thurs, Fri. & Sat. 9:00am - ??? Maps w/addresses at City Hall, Big Boy and Perky Pantry. New Sales Each Day! 49286

ALLEN PARK 3954 Harlow, Apr. 25-26, 10-4pm., furniture, clothes, kids, fishing, golf, household.

BELLEVILLE: ◆ HUGE Moving Sale! ◆ 50 + years of accumulation: furn., appls., clothes, kitchen & household items, antiques/vintage items, children's toys, tools & yard equip....TOO MUCH to mention! 8am-3pm Thurs. (4/23), Fri. (4/24) & Sat. (4/25). 128 Clarence St., NO early birds!

BROWNSTOWN: 24897 Rentwood Drive, April 24-25; 9-3pm. *MOVING SALE.* Furniture & misc. items.

CHELSEA 1ST United Methodist. 128 Park. $1 Entry Fee. Sat 4/25 9am-12pm MOM 2 MOM SALE

CHELSEA ESTATE SALE 16867 Waterloo Rd., Sat. 4/25 & Sun. 4/26, 9-7pm. Great stuff, well worth it. Priced to sell.

CHURCH-WIDE Sale Sat., April 25, 8-3pm Woodland Church 24101 Van Horn, Brownstown NO early arrivals!

DEARBORN 23259 Lawrence, April 26, 9:30-4:30. Lots of great stuff.

DEARBORN: 24715 Chicago, April 24-25; 9-4pm. Moving Sale! Everything must go.

DEARBORN: 3220 Croissant, Apr. 23 & 25; 9-5pm. Apr. 24; 9-2pm. BIG! Practical to Collectible.

DEARBORN: 3356 Willow. Apr. 23-25; 9:30-5:30pm. Garage/Estate Sale. 313-562-7557 or 313-402-4052

DEARBORN 829 N. Melborn, Thur. - Sat., 9-5pm. Furn., baby items, clothing toys.

DEARBORN First United Methodist Church. 22124 Garrison (at Mason) April 23th & 24th 4-8pm April 25th 9-12 noon

DEARBORN Hope Lutheran Church Rummage sale. Corner of 3640 Madison & Carlysle Friday, April 24th, 9-7p.m., Saturday, April 25th, 9-2p.m.

DEARBORN HTS. 20653 River Oaks, Apr. 24-25, 9-4pm. Estate Sale. Cash only. 50's-90's-70's Stuff. Toy train.

DEARBORN HTS. 4/23 thru 4/28 from 10-6pm. 5951 Highland. Clothes, guitar, misc. & more!!!

DEARBRON 3430 Smith, Southfield/Outer Dr., Fri.-Sun. 10-5, Antiques, furniture, nice plus size clothing, tools, lawn mower, Avon

DEXTER: BATES Farm Sub, Corner of Parker Rd./ Shield Rd. (48130) Apr. 24, 9-5, Apr. 25, 9-4. Housewares, toys, furniture, kid items, golf clubs, camping equip., art supplies, sewing machine, jigsaw, air hockey table, equestrian items, porsche 914 parts, college painters kit (w/ letters & sprayers) & misc.

DEXTER United Methodist Church Rummage Sale Friday April 24th, 8:30-7:00 p.m. Saturday April 25th, 8:30-2:00 p.m. 7643 Huron River Dr. 1/4 mile West of Cider Mill!

SAVE TIME Sell Classified

ECORSE: ESTATE/ Moving Sale. April 25-26; 10-4pm. 19 West Charlotte. Antiques, collectible barbies ($10-$15 ea.), Home Interiors. Everything Must Go!

FIRST UNITED Methodist Church of Birmingham **Rummage Sale** Wed. April 29, 6-9 p.m. Price plus 30%, 32 departments, snack bar. Thurs. April 30, 10-3 p.m. regular price & snack bar. Fri. May 1, 9-11 a.m. $7 /13 gal. bag or half price. 1589 W. Maple Rd. Between Southfield & Cranbrook, 248-646-1200

FLAT ROCK ELKS Rummage Sale All proceeds go to handicapped children. Apr.29 & 30 and May 1st. 10-4pm.

LINCOLN PARK: 1540 Winchester Ave., April 24-25; 10-5pm. 4 Family Garage Sale. Collectibles & household. No Early Birds.

LINCOLN PARK 3107 Chandler. Corner of Chandler & Capital. Thur. - Sat. 9-6pm. 4 family sale

LINCOLN PARK Huge Garage Sale, 8-5pm. Something for everyone at 2864 Fort, Fri. & Sat. April 24 & 25.

LINCOLN PARK Street Wide Sale, Mich. Blvd. Btwn Dix & Fort., April 24-26, Rain Day 5/1-5/3.

MANCHESTER 13360 East Austin Rd. April 24th & 25th, 8-5pm.

MELVINDALE 19115 Harman, April 24th & 25th, 10-5pm., something for everyone!

MELVINDALE 19250 Wall St., Off of Outer Dr. Yard Sale, Fri. - Mon. 9-5pm. Tools, adult clothes, kids stuff and more.

MILAN, MOVING Sale, EVERYTHING MUST GO, *every* Fri. & Sat. 9-4, until items are gone! 635 E. Main St. - RAIN OR SHINE

RIVERVIEW: 13831 Berkshire (off Fort St., betw. Williamsburg & Pennsylvania), April 24-25; 8-4pm. Lots of baby stuff, tons of kids clothes (boy & girl), toys, lawn furniture, some tools & other misc. household items.

RIVERVIEW ESTATE Sale Corner Hamann & Vreeland. 1 block S. Penn., 3 blocks E. Fort. Fri. & Sat. 10-5pm.

ROCKWOOD 16797 Snapdragon Dr., Cambridge Sub., Lots of nice stuff, everything must go., Fri. 4/24 8-4pm., restock for Sat. 8-4

SALINE 235 Sheffield Dr., facing Harris; *April 25th, 8-3pm.* Furniture & something for everyone!

SALINE 25 families hold rummage sale 2 benefit Fiddlers Restrung; Sat. April 25 8-5pm. Liberty School, 7265 Saline-Ann Arbor Rd.

SALINE RIDGE Subdivision Garage Sale! Willis & Warner May 8-9; 9-4pm. Lots of kids' toys, clothes, etc. (48176)

SALINE SUB-WIDE GARAGE SALES at Kelli Meadows. Fri. 24 & Sat. 25, 9-4. So many homes on Avedon & Baron Way you can park & walk! E. of Moon off Willis Rd.

SOUTHGATE: 18255 Poplar, Multi-Family Sale. April 24-25; 9-4pm. Benefits Relay for Life.

SOUTHGATE 16701 Richmond, Sat. 4/25 8-5, Sun. 4/26 10-3. Clothing ladies, girls toddlers, misc. items

SOUTHGATE MOM to Mom resale Sat. 4/25 9-2pm. Allen Elementary-16500 McCann

SOUTHGATE ST. PIUS Mom to Mom Sale April 25th 8am-Noon Free Admission

STOCKBRIDGE: 830 S. Clinton, Apr. 25; 9-3pm. American Legion Auxiliary Spring Flea Market. Bake sale, some crafts, raffle & concessions stand.

TAYLOR, 10933 Katherine, April 24, 25, 26, 9-?, women's clothes, knick knacks, mens, lawn equip. etc,

TAYLOR: 24401 Melody Lane (W. of Telegraph, N. of Goddard), Friday April 24; 8-4pm.

TAYLOR 2 Family Moving Sale, 23432 Baske, April 26, 10-5

TAYLOR 7755 Banner 4/23-25, 9-5. cedar chest, tools, antique canning jars, x-lg. ladies clothes

TAYLOR 8056 Katherine, between Hayes and Champagne, Fri. - Sun. 9-5, Estate/Garage Sale.

TAYLOR 9113 Dudley, off of Wick, April 23-25, 9-4pm., baby clothes, household items, collectibles.

TAYLOR 9616 Dudley, Apr. 23-25, 8-4. Over 100 ft. of items: maternity, baby/toddler, furn., household, nice clothes & much more. Corner of Wick & Pardee

TAYLOR - 9 Coach Light Condos Garage Sales, April 24 & 25 9-6 (off Pardee Rd. btw Northline & Eureka). Men's Levi's, boys sizes 8-12 clothes, home school books, games, tools, jewelry, baby clothes, musical instruments, photographic artwork + misc.

TAYLOR ANNUAL YARD SALE benefits American Cancer Society Sat. 4/25 at 9 a.m. Corner of Pine St. & Northline betw. Pardee & Telegraph

TRENTON: 1941 Westfield (N. of West Rd & S. of King), April 24-25; 10-5pm. Estate Sale. Antiques, Hendron desk, Hummel dishes, fine jewelry, clothes & much much more!

WOODHAVEN 22258 Loretta. Thurs., Fri., Sat. 9-6. Older computer components, collectable dolls, wheel chairs, hospital bed, baby clothes, everything from a-z. stop by - the price is right!

WOODHAVEN 23114 Leighwood Apr 23, 24, 25, start 9:30am. Off West Rd. between Telegraph & Gudith.

WOODHAVEN: 24763 Cabot, Apr. 24-25; 9-4pm. 2 Family Moving Sale. Household, toys, baby & garden.

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Walter E Sannes and Agnes G Sannes, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First NLC Financial Services, LLC, DBA The Lending Center, Mortgagee, dated July 25, 2006, and recorded on November 2, 2006, in Liber 4590, Page 519, Washtenaw County Records, said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-HE4, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by an Assignment of Mortgage which was submitted to and recorded by the Washtenaw County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THREE HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND 65/100 DOLLARS ($302,500.65) including interest at the rate of 8.750% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Washtenaw County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on May 7, 2009. Said premises are situated in the Township of Scio, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 41, Killings Lakeview Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 5, Page 36 of Plats, Washtenaw County Records. 617 Lakeview Avenue The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: April 9, 2009 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Assignee 43252 Woodward Ave., Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 (248) 335-9200 Our File No. 256.00197 ASAP# 3053365 04/09/2009, 04/16/2009, 04/23/2009, 04/30/2009

FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Patrick J.A. Collins and Gaines G. Collins, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Harbourton Mortgage Investment Corporation ISAOA, Mortgagee, dated October 18, 2006, and recorded on October 26, 2006, in Liber 4589, Page 267, Washtenaw County Records, said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2007-ASAP1, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by an Assignment of Mortgage dated December 20, 2006 and recorded on January 28, 2009 in Liber 4714 on Page 608, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FOURTEEN AND 73/100 DOLLARS ($289,514.73) including interest at the rate of 10.500% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Washtenaw County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AMon April 30, 2009. Said premises are situated in the City of Saline, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 136, Whispering Meadows Subdivision No 2, according to the Plat thereof records in Liber 34, of Page(s) 69 through 75, inclusive, Washtenaw County Records. 8749 Lilly Drive The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: April 16, 2009 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Assignee 43252 Woodward Ave., Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 (248) 335-9200 Our File No. 256.00169 ASAP# 3040869 04/02/2009, 04/09/2009, 04/16/2009, 04/23/2009

PURSUANT TO 15 USC 1692 YOU ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND THAT ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU PROVIDE MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Sharon Brown a/k/a Sharon L. Brown a single woman to HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III by a mortgage dated August 22, 2007 and recorded on August 27, 2007 in Liber 4642 on Page 170, Washtenaw County Records Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Nine and 09/100 Dollars ($197,779.09) including interest at 5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, the main lobby of the Washtenaw County Courthouse, Huron Street entrance, Ann Arbor MI at 10:00 am on April 30, 2009. Said premises are situated in the Township of Ypsilanti, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, and are described as: Lot 646 of Greene Farms Subdivision No. 6, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber/Instrument No. 34 of Plats, Pages 42 through 49 of Washtenaw County Records The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241 a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: March 26, 2009 Michael M. Grand, Esq. GRAND & GRAND PLLC 31731 Northwestern Hwy., #151 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 538-3737 74477 ASAP# 3042822 04/02/2009, 04/09/2009, 04/16/2009, 04/23/2009

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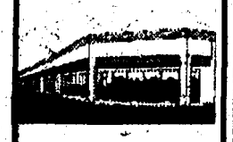

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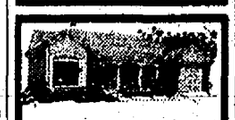

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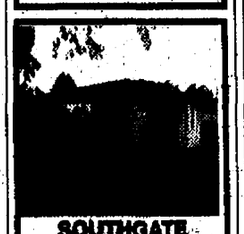

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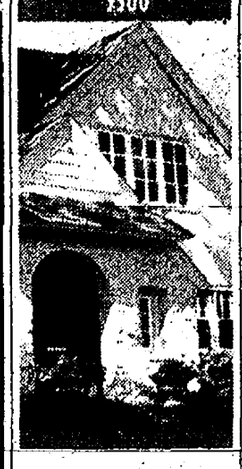

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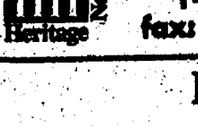

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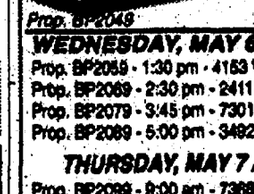

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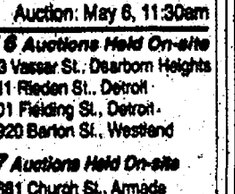

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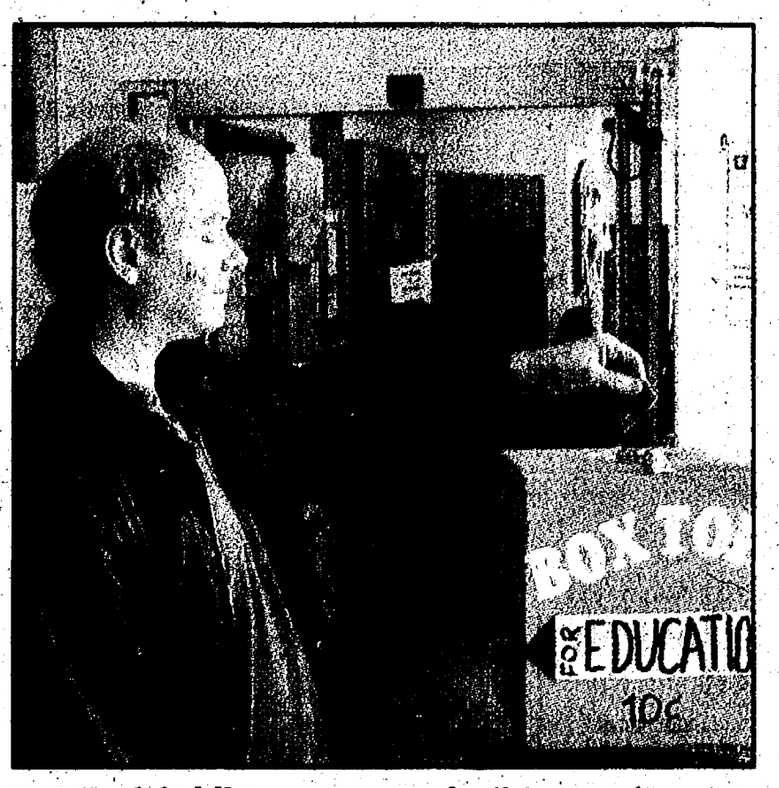
Families with children in grades kindergarten through eighth grade can simply send the box tops to the school office. But now everybody can easily contribute to the schools by using the pink collection boxes that are located at various businesses around Chelsea, including Polly's Country Market and Treehouse.

The idea for the community collection boxes came from Regina Maynard, vice president of the Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) at North Elementary School.

"Last Thanksgiving, we were visiting my parents in Acton, Mass., and I saw a public box for collecting box tops," she said. "I thought it was a great idea that we could try here, and we're hoping the community will really get behind it."



Don Hayduk follows up on our family's commitment to donate the Box Top$ for Education at Polly's Country Market in Chelsea.

According to Tracie Faupel, PTO treasurer for North Creek, Chelsea Schools' PTO fund-raising between North Creek, Pierce Lake and South Meadows in 2007-08 totaled $15,439; but with the economic downturn, fund-raising for the current year has totaled only $9,100 – a significant decrease.

"By the time you divide that amount up by the three schools, it's not much at all," Faupel said.

The PTO is a not-for-profit organization that provides a variety of things for the schools. They fund special projects, such as playground improvements; they provide special free family events, such as the annual jog-a-thon and geography/science night; and they provide additional financial assistance to individual classrooms.

Faupel confirmed that at North Creek, the PTO gives each classroom $100 each year, but with only $3,000 this year, and 23 classrooms, most of the money for the year is spoken for. Most of this year's projects are only happening at all because there was some money saved from previous years.

Regina Maynard said that the North Creek PTO has already cancelled the annual event "Pastries for Parents" due to lack of funding, and that the cost to families to participate in the "finale festival" will have to be increased just to cover expenses.

Since the "Box Top$ for Education" program is not new, families with children in Chelsea Public Schools may have already heard of it, and some are already devoted label contributors. The three elementary schools altogether have made $1,924 this year thanks to those little red labels, and for that the PTO is truly grateful.

But the PTO believes that by involving the community, so much more can be done. "This is a huge opportunity for our schools to create income through products we already buy and use," said Dana Emmert, North Creek PTO Secretary and fundraiser co-chair. "It's not that people don't want to help, it's just that they're unaware."

More information

General Mills launched the Box Top$ for Education program in 1996 in California with labels on Big G cereals. Over the course of the last 12 years, the program has expanded significantly, and now includes over 260 food, beverage, paper, baby, and personal care products. Since its inception, Box Top$ for education has given over $250 million to schools nationwide.

Please visit their Web site at www.boxtops4education.com to get a complete list of products.

The Web site also has links to on-line shopping sites. If you plan to make a purchase from one of these companies anyway, by registering and accessing the Web site through www.boxtops4education, a percentage of the sale will automatically be credited to your school of choice. Far away friends and family can also donate to Chelsea Schools this way, just by registering.

Small efforts lead to great outcomes

Those who know me well accuse me of thinking too much. As my high school Spanish teacher used to say, "I resemble that remark."

On March 5, there was a message on my answering machine from Regina Maynard. She said that the North Creek PTO was looking for help. The PTO has joined the ranks of organizations with financial troubles, and she hopes that by asking the entire community to save box tops for the schools, funds generated will alleviate some of their monetary problems and restore their ability to continue to provide the programs and assistance that help make our schools great.

Although I knew about box tops for education in a general sense, I was a haphazard collector (gasp!). I cut them off of the occasional brownie mix, but beyond that, I just didn't pay attention. After all, I am a busy housewife and mom of three daughters working up to three part-time jobs to help make ends meet. Were a few box tops really that big of a deal?

To research for the article, I went to the Web site at www.boxtops4education.com and saw the product list. I printed the list, walked to the kitchen, and opened my food cabinet. Then I went to the mudroom where we store extra paper and personal products. In less than five minutes, I had pulled 20 products off the shelves and located the box tops. And every single one of those box tops is worth ten cents! Many of those products are things we use nearly every week.

Doing the math in my head, I sat on the couch with a heavy sigh. I literally felt sick. Through our lack of knowledge we have tossed the equivalent of close to $100 a year into the recycling bins – money that could have been helping our schools. Free money – given to our schools through no additional cost to my family. Free money – based on items we use anyway. And all it takes to get this free money for our schools is to take a few seconds to cut that little rectangle off the package and put it in the collection box.

And yes, that second part is critically important. It's one thing to cut out the label, but until it's turned in, it's still worthless. That's where the community-based collection boxes will really come in handy. Stick a few labels in your wallet, see a box around town, put the labels in the box, and see your school get free money.

I'm probably dealing with false guilt. After all, I didn't knowingly throw the labels away. But I still feel badly about it because I wasn't really paying attention.

And so for the last two weeks, I have been thinking too much. I've been thinking about my mom's stories about the Great Depression and some of the things they did to save money. How she took those lessons and used them for the rest of her life to manage our home on a small income. How my dad always proudly said of her, "She can turn a dime into a dollar."

I think about my oldest daughter who will head off to college in a little over four months, and wonder if I've done enough to teach her how to manage money. Will she be able to find a desperately needed part-time job to help fund her education? If she does, will she be taking a job away from someone who needs it to feed her children? If she doesn't, what then? I wonder how we are going to manage the next four years since our best efforts to save for college have turned out to not be nearly enough (cough, cough).

I contemplate the well-known "blessing of the oldest child." As the youngest of three, those historical stories of the oldest getting the blessing and the younger children getting nothing bordered on offensive. But this is the way I see the whole blessing of the oldest now. Basically, by the time you give that oldest child everything you can, and by the time the college strips your savings to the point that you begin to pray that your cars and appliances will never need to be replaced or repaired, you wonder if the younger children will ever have the same opportunities as the oldest. It is a scary thought, made scarier by tough times.

I think about the balance between necessities and wants; both big and little. Shelter, food, and orthodontia versus vacation, shiny red peep-toe pumps, and ice cream cones. When I was a kid, health care was a luxury that was rarely afforded. Vacation meant driving to a pond to watch the ducks for the afternoon, cooking hot dogs on a charcoal grill, and eating them on pink melamine divided plates. Our clothes came from one of three sources: hand-me downs, the Goodwill store, or the 90 percent off rack. Do you remember the Wendy's commercials from the seventies where the old lady opens the hamburger bun from the other fast-food place and exclaim, "Where's the beef?" Well, those mini-size burgers were a given in my home – minus the bun. But we always had a boiled potato and a small bowl of applesauce to round out the meal. Once in a while, we'd get a quarter to walk to the Dairy Queen for a small cone. Now that was living!

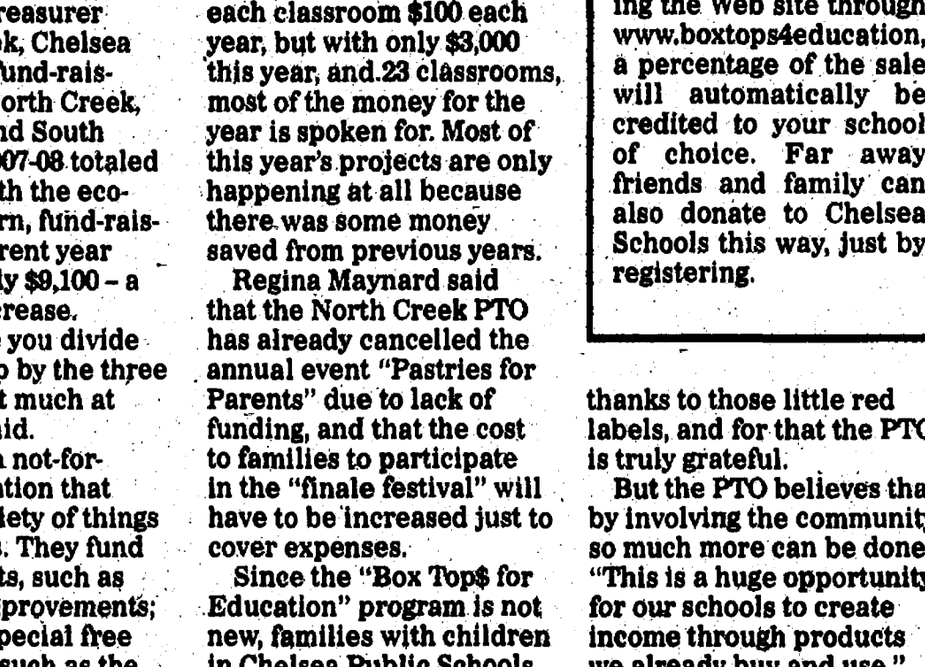
I think about how much we have to be thankful for every minute of every day, and how much we take for granted. I regret that we don't thank the source of our blessings nearly enough, and am amazed at the unconditional love that provides for our needs even when we lack gratitude.

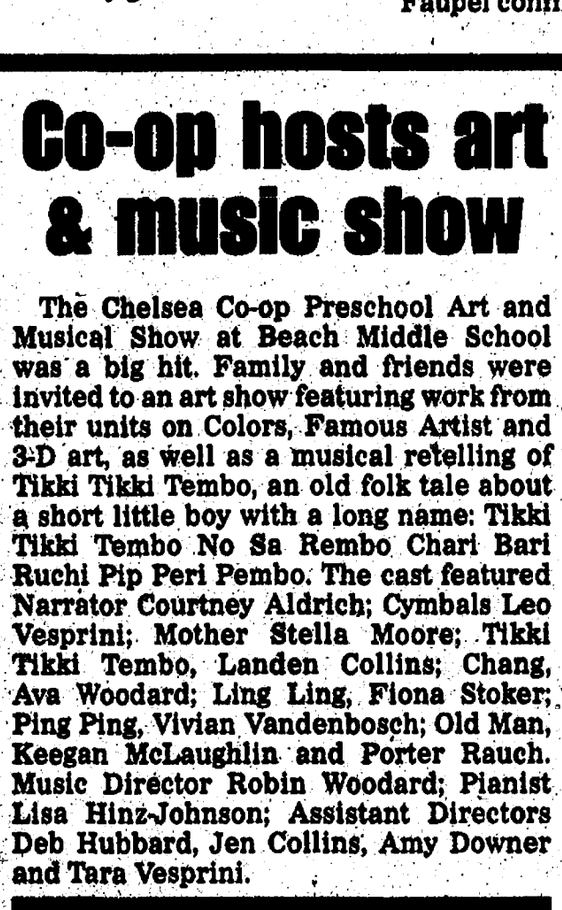
And back to the box tops. What a huge difference it could make if every household in Chelsea could donate their box tops.

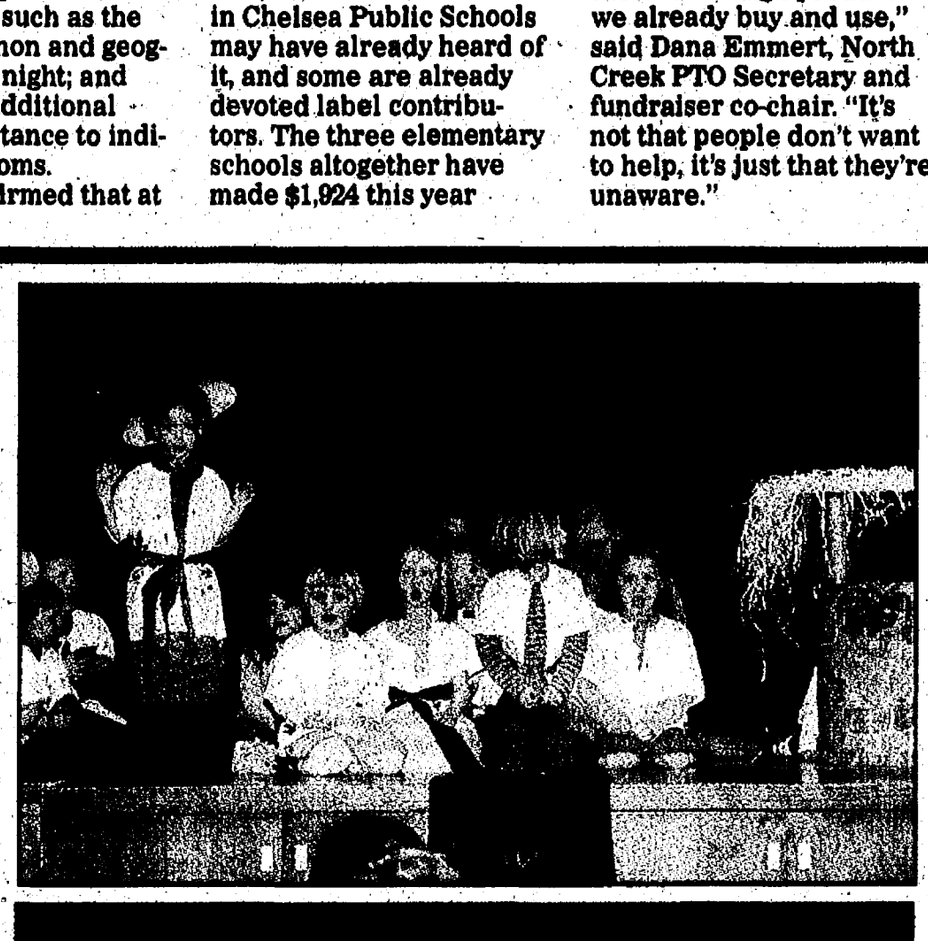
I wish I had realized sooner, but now that we know, our family has made a commitment to clip and contribute every box top. If you are reading this, I hope you'll make the same commitment; and I hope you'll spread the word. Small efforts multiplied by many will lead to great outcomes.

Co-op hosts art & music show

The Chelsea Co-op Preschool Art and Musical Show at Beach Middle School was a big hit. Family and friends were invited to an art show featuring work from their units on Colors, Famous Artist and 3-D art, as well as a musical retelling of Tikki Tikki Tembo, an old folk tale about a short little boy with a long name: Tikki Tikki Tembo No Sa Rembo Chari Bari Ruchi Pip Peri Pembo. The cast featured Narrator Courtney Aldrich; Cymbals Leo Vesprini; Mother Stella Moore; Tikki Tikki Tembo, Landen Collins; Chang, Ava Woodard; Ling Ling, Fiona Stoker; Ping Ping, Vivian Vandenbosch; Old Man, Keegan McLaughlin and Porter Rauch. Music Director Robin Woodard; Pianist Lisa Hinz-Johnson; Assistant Directors Deb Hubbard, Jen Collins, Amy Downer and Tara Vesprini.







Ministerial Message

Are you good enough for the church?

By Mark Porinsky

Recently I heard of a young couple who were contemplating getting back into church after a number of years of being inactive. Although they weren't doing anything illegal or terribly sinful, they were very concerned that their current lifestyle would not measure up to what it takes for acceptance in a church. One of the spouses was listing the things in their lives that would have to change.

It is so refreshing to hear of someone who's willing to take a look at their life and have a genuine concern that they might not measure up. All too often we see just the opposite in today's society: People enter a church and think the congregation should meet all their demands and put up with any kind of behavior and attitudes they might display.

On the other hand, the person who related this conversation to me had told the couple, "Why don't you worry less about cleaning up your act before you come to church? Just give it a try, and see what the Lord does with you."

I agreed that this was great advice. Really, if we had to totally clean up our lives before getting involved in a church, none of us would ever be qualified.

But what about the Bible's command to repent? Well, that word "repent" does not mean to clean up you life. Literally, the word in the New Testament translated "repent" means "change your mind." When we repent, we change our mind about our sins and realize they're not going to accomplish what we hoped they would. We also change our minds about ourselves, and recognize that we can't make ourselves acceptable to God. Most importantly, we change our minds about our need for a Savior, and believe that only the perfect life and innocent death of God's Son Jesus Christ can make us acceptable to God.

Without such an attitude, we could never be good enough. With that attitude, though, God does consider us acceptable to Him, and if we're considered good enough for God, we are also good enough for the church.

We do not have the ability to develop that attitude by ourselves, however. It is only by having God work in us with His Word and Sacraments that we can ever be brought to true repentance and kept in true faith. So again, the best advice is, "Just give it a try, and see what the Lord does with you." The church is more of a hospital for sinners rather than a club for saints. Satan would love it if he could get you to wait until you felt you were good enough. The devil is in no hurry to have you get in contact with God's Word.

Finally, as the Lord begins working in you through His Word and Sacraments, He Himself motivates many unforeseen positive changes in your life.

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In Review: The Purple Rose

'Bleeding Red' emotionally mature with great characters

By Sean Dalton
Staff Writer

Michael Brian Ogden caught my eye about this time last year during Carey Crim's "Growing Pretty," in which he played the main character's awkward Iranian best friend "Hami."

His ability to tailor and project his emotions in the theater space is exceptionally good and he showed this strength again this past weekend when I previewed his first production "Bleeding Red."

It was a pleasant surprise to see that Ogden's gift for emotional expression comes through in the form of an emotionally mature script for his light-hearted soccer fan drama. This represents his first official foray into the playwright's world from the big-chair perspective.

If you're noticing what's wrong with the above paragraph (hint: soccer instead of football) you'll probably have a few more dimensions from which to appreciate this show about a bunch of British 20-somethings, although some cultural elements have been ratcheted back for domestic audiences.

The British accents are one notable example, as authentic UK pub talk is pretty much incomprehensible to Americans.

If you don't believe me just watch Guy Ritchie's 2000 film Snatch and listen to what Avi has to say to Bullet Tooth Tony about a "blagged bookie's." If you're somewhat familiar with a British accent already it might throw you for a second, but just let it go and enjoy the ride.

It's important to note that the cast of characters in this show are from various parts of Britain that are both familiar (Liverpool) and perhaps not so familiar, except in name, (Chelsea), who are all living and going to school in and around London.

Most of the characters have known each other since childhood and others have jumped into the group later on in life. The history of those relationships and how deep they run are very important components to "Bleeding Red."

The show starts out focusing on a bunch of more well-to-do soccer hooligans, with the hooliganism toned way down from the raucous pub-smashing that one might see as a blip on the BBC news to a more "Friends"-like portrayal of a group of pals enthusiastically getting pumped for a game in their living room, when it becomes apparent that the major plot conflict is going to make a change of venue to the local pub impossible. The characters engage in silly dancing rituals (or "regimens," sorry sports fans) and heed superstitions that Super Bowl fans can probably relate to with ease.

As Ogden's Tommy and his pal Vinnie (Matthew David) pull their mate Bobby out of a "tight spot," it quickly becomes apparent that this isn't just a show about the love of a sport. In fact, you could probably sub out football for American football or basketball or even tennis (okay that may be stretching it a bit).

"Bleeding Red" will tackle the meaning of friendship, growing up and apart from dear loved ones, the meaning of loyalty and various other real aspects to friendships and bonds that have been established over long periods of time.

Ogden admits that his first play is sort of a hodge-podge of ideas and themes that have been glued together by him, the intervention of friends and guidance from colleagues at The Purple Rose, like Director Guy Sanville.

If someone were telling me this prior to buying a ticket I might be hesitant, but you know what? "Bleeding Red" works. It just comes together in a wonderful way and the writing and cast really help you sympathize with the characters.

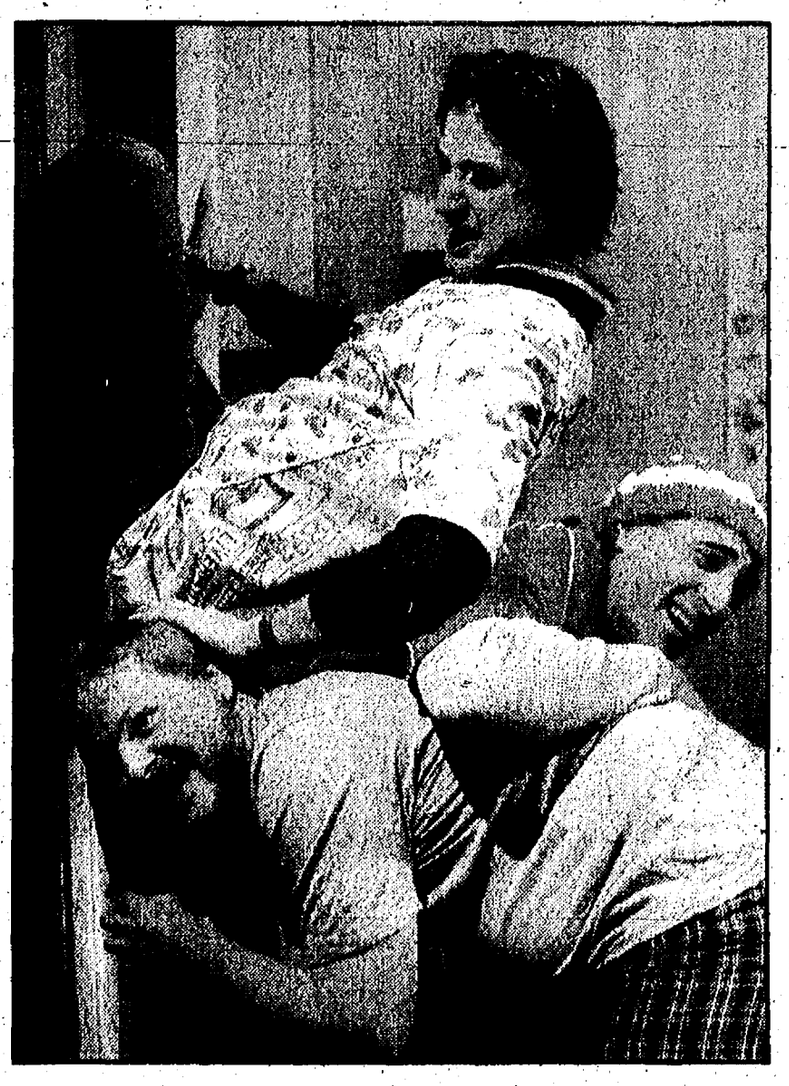
As mentioned, Ogden is great as Tommy, projecting arrogance, uncertainty, vulnerability and a range of other emotions as needed by the plot.

David does a wonderful job as the affable lummox Vinnie. He's sort of a one-dimensional "gifted-idiot" character, whose importance to the plot is integral.

Matthew Gwynn, Heidi Bennett and Stacie Hadgikosti all step up to the plate and execute their roles perfectly.

Gwynn is Bobby, the down-and-out member of the trio who has just been devastated by the disintegration of his relationship, which puts his enthusiasm for the sport in jeopardy – sending Tommy and Vinnie on a journey to rekindle their friend's spirit and passion.

Bennett plays Bobby's sister Sarah, who is enlisted in one of the more hair-brained schemes that Tommy and Vinnie cook up to coax Bobby out of despair and into the ritual that they have all been participating in to ensure Liverpool's victory in the



ABOVE: Matthew David (center) plays peacemaker between Heidi Bennett (left) and Michael Brian Ogden. RIGHT: Michael Brian Ogden (top), Matthew David and Matthew Gwynn show off some physical comedy.

Matthew David, Michael Brian Ogden and Matthew Gwynn star in 'Bleeding Red' at the Purple Rose.

Now showing

'Bleeding Red'

A world premiere by Michael Brian Ogden and directed by Guy Sanville

When: Through May 30

The story: In this ball-kicking comedy with adult humor, the biggest football match in twenty years is about to kick off across the pond in London. Tommy, confirmed bachelor and passionate Liverpool fan, arrives at his best mate Bobby's flat to discover he's been dumped by his fiancee. Trouble is, Bobby is the linchpin of the all-important pre-game ritual. Tommy must get him to the pub before the game starts, even if it means recruiting the help of another traitorous female, Bobby's fetching sister Sarah.

Starring: the cast of "Bleeding Red" features PRTC associate artists Heidi Bennett, Matthew David, Matthew Gwynn, Stacie Hadgikosti and Michael Brian Ogden.

Behind the curtain: Design for this production includes set by Vincent Mountain, properties by Danna Segrest, costumes by Sally Converse-Doucette, lighting by Dana White and sound by Quintessa Gallinat. Jessica Garrett stage manages with Michelle DiDomenico as assistant stage manager.

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How Bleeding Red came to be

Writer Michael Brian Ogden: I've been a soccer fan most of my life. I played in high school and a lot of games in college and that sort of thing and Liverpool was always the team that I followed and then a couple of years ago in 2005 they went to the Champion Free Tournament, which is a little bit like the Super Bowl of soccer. So this game that I wrote about actually happened, and it was kind of a story book thing where they went down three nothing in the first half and came back in the second half and scored three goals in six minutes and tied it up and hung on and won in overtime and then I was in a class getting my Master's where I had to write a play. I was thinking about what I want to write and I decided I wanted to write something that I would be interested in that the average theater goer might be pleasantly surprised with. It had this sort of already dramatic aspect to it and a buddy of mine that had just went through a rather nasty breakup with a woman I didn't like too much, so it is just a bunch of real stuff cobbled together into a play.

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Pivotal year for hospital Auction

Chelsea Community Hospital's Annual Spring Auction, has a very special cause this year. All proceeds from the this year's Auction will provide seed money for the development of expanded cancer treatment to our communities.

"Although the hospital and its physicians currently offer some cancer treatment services, there is a need for additional services such as chemotherapy here in Chelsea, close to home," says Kathleen Griffiths, President and CEO of Chelsea Community Hospital. "We're so pleased that this fun, exciting event will kick off our fund-raising efforts for this important endeavor."

The 24th annual Spring Auction, themed "Gilligan's Island," will be held on Saturday, May 9, at the UA 190 - IBEW 252 Hall on Jackson Road. The community is invited to attend. Guests will enjoy a strolling buffet with a tropical flare, including delectable desserts. Bidding options include a super raffle, 52-card raffle, silent auction, and the popular live auction complete with a professional auctioneer to energize the crowd.

The 2009 Auction committee, which is composed of local business owners, community members and Chelsea Community Hospital physicians and employees, is working hard to make sure a good time will be had by all at this fundraiser. This year's Auction Chairs are Sheila & Creg Carpenter, MD, and Co-Chairs are Misha Strauss-Moore, PhD, and Scott Moore, MD.

With the merger of Chelsea Community Hospital and Saint Joseph Mercy Health System about to take place, Griffiths has reassured the community that the money that is raised in Chelsea stays in Chelsea.

Tickets are $100 each and may be purchased by calling Patty Roberts at (734) 475-4040 x3542. You may also view the entire Auction program online at www.cch.org/events (click on "Special Events" on the left).

A lesson as easy as 911

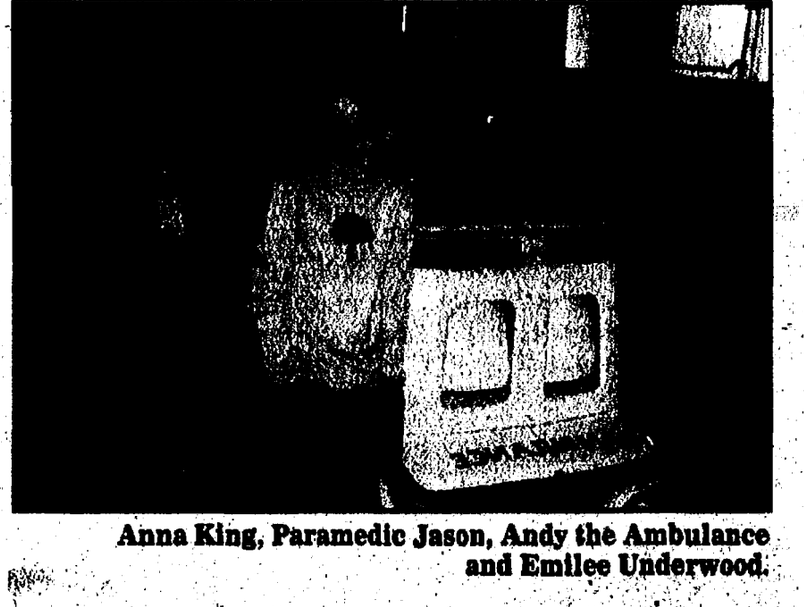
Mark Hicks (left to right), Dylan Cox, Erin Hess, Jacob Feytko, Mitchell Westhoven, Dale Westphal, Emilee Underwood (middle), Owen McCulloch, A.J. Feinman, Adam Bergen, Anna King, Quinn Tjernagel, Miss Jen (back), Miss Katy, Steffan Westhoven with Miss Lois, Firefighter Matt and Captain Bob.

National Firefighter Day, April 1, featured paramedics from Huron Valley Ambulance who visited **Children's Center Preschool Room at Chelsea Community Hospital.** The paramedics taught the kids about emergencies.

Mark Hicks sits in the driver's seat with Captain Bob.

Quinn Tjernagel and Firefighter Matt spray the hose as Mark Hicks watches.

Erin Hess holds up a coloring book with Jacob Fetyko in the background.



Anna King, Paramedic Jason, Andy the Ambulance and Emilee Underwood.

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Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly sunny and warmer	Partly cloudy and breezy	Sunshine; breezy, warmer	Warm with sunshine	Warm with clouds and sun	Thunderstorms possible	Windy with rain	A shower in the morning
57° to 63°	36° to 42°	71° to 77° 47° to 53°	77° to 83° 47° to 53°	74° to 80° 48° to 54°	66° to 72° 42° to 48°	61° to 67° 40° to 46°	60° to 66° 27° to 33°

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Statistics for the week ending Tuesday, April 21

Temperatures:

Normal high/low ..... 59°/38°

Normal average temperature ..... 48.7°

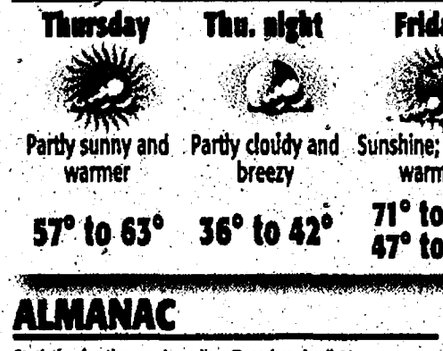
Precipitation:

Total for the month ..... 3.24"

Normal for the month ..... 2.38"

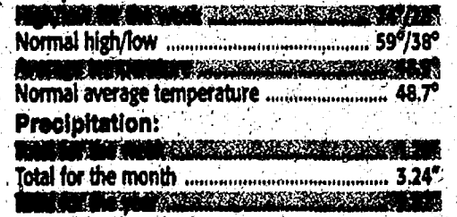
PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures ● High ● Low



THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

Weekly UV Index and RealFeel Temperature®



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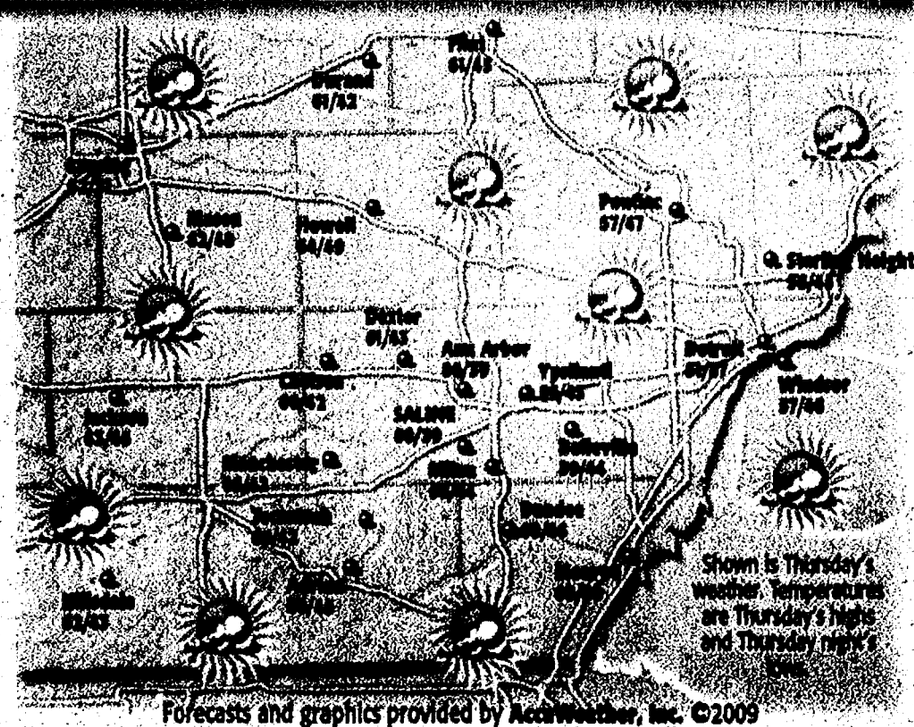

Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows.

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SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Friday	6:41 a.m.	8:27 p.m.
Sunday	6:38 a.m.	8:29 p.m.
Tuesday	6:35 a.m.	8:31 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Friday	5:58 a.m.	8:26 p.m.
Sunday	7:08 a.m.	10:58 p.m.
Tuesday	8:57 a.m.	12:08 a.m.

New Apr 24 · First May 1 · Full May 9 · Last May 17

RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Tuesday	Flood stage	Current stage
Ecorse Creek		
Huron River		
Mallets Creek		
Mill Creek		
River Raisin		

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	574.71 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Thu. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	60/39/pc	74/50/s	81/50/s
Bay City	59/47/pc	76/54/s	80/53/pc
Flint	61/45/pc	73/57/s	78/55/pc
Kalamazoo	64/51/pc	80/56/s	79/54/pc
Livonia	60/45/pc	73/53/s	79/55/s
Midland	58/41/pc	76/55/s	79/54/pc
Pontiac	57/47/pc	74/54/s	77/54/s
Saginaw	60/47/pc	76/54/s	80/53/pc
Sturgis	66/53/pc	80/56/s	78/57/s
Warren	59/48/pc	73/56/s	80/57/s

WORLD CITIES

City	Thu. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Berlin	64/46/pc	69/49/s	72/52/s
Cairo	86/64/c	81/60/c	87/61/pc
Hong Kong	81/75/c	82/73/s	74/67/sh
Johannesburg	63/45/pc	65/50/s	66/49/pc
Mexico City	81/52/pc	80/48/pc	79/51/pc
Moscow	48/30/pc	46/32/pc	54/36/pc
Rio de Janeiro	82/71/s	82/70/sh	79/71/s
Seoul	66/44/c	58/45/r	53/37/r
Sydney	70/55/s	72/56/sh	70/54/s
Warsaw	63/39/s	61/43/s	63/39/s

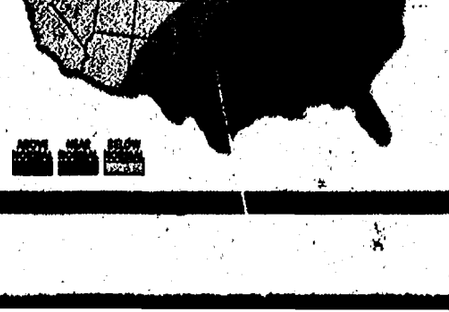
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thu. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Boston	59/46/pc	69/50/s	76/56/s
Cincinnati	71/54/s	79/59/s	83/56/s
Dallas	84/67/s	87/66/pc	82/67/pc
Honolulu	81/68/c	81/68/pc	81/68/sh
Kansas City	82/62/s	85/63/s	78/56/pc
Los Angeles	72/58/pc	68/54/pc	70/54/pc
Minneapolis	80/58/pc	71/45/c	5[illegible]/r
New York City	60/49/pc	70/57/s	7[illegible]/s
Philadelphia	63/44/pc	75/52/s	8[illegible]/s
Pittsburgh	60/42/s	76/56/s	84/58/s
San Francisco	57/48/pc	58/47/pc	60/48/s
Wash., DC	66/44/s	74/57/s	84/62/s

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

NATIONAL OUTLOOK

Temperatures 4/23 - 4/29



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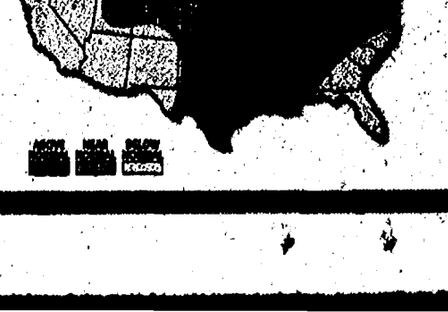

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