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Waterloo loses case in court

Court rules in favor of Aggregate Industries

By Crystal Hayduk
 Special Writer
 The Waterloo Township Board may have denied Aggregate Industries (AI) a special land-use application to mine gravel from an 18.9-acre plot owned by Jim Dault on Loveland Road, but the court

disagreed. Last month, AI entered litigation against Waterloo Township, and Jackson County Circuit Court ruled in AI's favor. Waterloo Township residents who live in the area have fought the expansion operation because of concerns related to adverse effects upon quality of life, health and property values. Because of pending litigation, the board discussed the issue in a closed session at their regular July meeting last Friday. Charlie Stockton submitted a

letter urging the board to appeal the ruling, citing both current zoning regulations and AI's history of saying they are willing to abide by township ordinances, but then failing to do so. After closed session, the board approved AI's extraction permit contingent upon adherence to the township extraction ordinance. The board also unanimously passed a motion to instruct the township attorney to appeal the judge's decision. During public comment, resident Dale Robinson expressed

concern regarding violation of rules regarding setback distances. Ted Beals of the Planning Commission responded that AI will be required to place white posts marking their setbacks. Aggregate Industries will be allowed to begin mining the property immediately, but if the Circuit Court's judgment is overturned, mining will be terminated. In other business, Manoj Mulki of N and K Construction Supply requested the board to allow the gravel haulers to

transport gravel at night for construction taking place on I-94. "M-Dot wants aggregate to be delivered to the job site between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m.," Mulki said. Board member Doug Lance explained to Mulki and other local construction company representatives that the rules governing transport times are part of a police power ordinance. "We can't vote on that and there's no mechanism to allow a variance," Lance said. "We're here to uphold the law on the books."

Chamber to honor area's top citizens

The Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for The Chelsea Citizen of the Year and The Lifetime Achievement Award. Candidates must either live, work or participate in Chelsea or one of the surrounding townships.

For Citizen of the Year nominations, include the person's name, phone number, address, who is recommending them and their contact number. In a separate letter, please list the qualifications of the candidate who is being considered for his or her contributions to any and/or all facets of the community over the last year or more.

Include volunteer work, church activities, organizations (civic/fraternal/social, with offices held, length of service etc.), special events the candidate has organized and/or participated in, and any other items of significance.

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If you have any questions or would like to pick up an official form, contact the Chelsea Chamber at 734-475-1145 or download one at www.chelseami-chamber.org. Mail your recommendations to the Chelsea Chamber at 310 N. Main Street, Suite 120, Chelsea, MI 48118, by Tuesday, July 28.

New CL's Carry-out features familiar flavor

Former Aleko's eatery opens with same owner, but new name

By Terry Jacoby
 Heritage Newspapers
 It took Carl Laesch more than 14 months to reopen his restaurant after a devastating fire destroyed a large section of the Chelsea Shopping Center on May 5, 2008. A lot has changed since then - including the name. CL's Carry-out in Chelsea opened last Monday and Laesch is happy to be back in business. "It's going well," Laesch said Monday as he prepared for the lunch crowd to arrive. "Some of our regulars have come back already and grabbed a new menu and even a few new customers have stopped in. We didn't get the word out that we would be back open last Monday because we weren't totally sure that was the day." Aleko's had created a nice

Layoffs, new press aim to make Thomson-Shore stronger



By Sean Dalton
 Staff Writer
 Dexter-based Thomson-Shore recently announced some upgrades to the book-printing business that company officials hope will make them more competitive and greener in the future. The company recently purchased and installed a new perfecting press, a Heidelberg Speedmaster SM 102 press that will replace an old 4-color Speedmaster SM 102 unit. The new press was part of a \$10 million reinvestment in the company's press system and will allow the operation to realize a 10 percent increase in capacity. While the upgrade reduced the need for outsourced work, it also reduced the number of available shifts, which resulted in layoffs last March. The exact

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number of employees let go was not provided by the company. While some jobs were lost, the employee-owned company itself is stronger and in a better position in the market, according to Marketing Director Regan Borton. "We've definitely been able to reduce our man hours because we are now more efficient with the technology upgrade," she said. "We've recently retooled our entire platform." Borton says the staff operators were trained to run the

press in just three weeks and it was producing results within two months. In the last five years, Thomson-Shore has purchased a web-press, a six-color press, a new sewer and a new soft-binder. "We're currently looking to invest in some technology for computer integrated manufacturing, which means the computers will help run the processes so fewer hands have to touch things," Borton explained. The pace of business has

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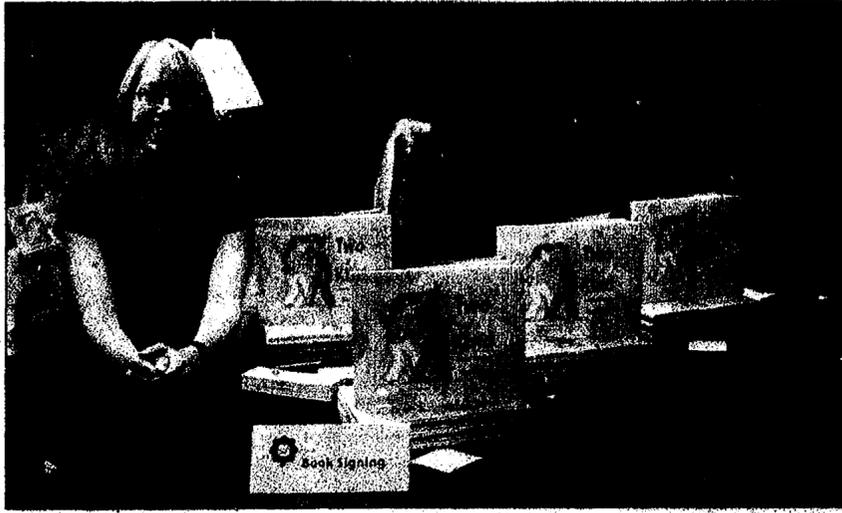
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Jacquie Robbins, a former elementary school teacher, released her second children's book July 7. "Two of a Kind" tells the story of Anna, her best friend, and what happens when Anna must choose between playing with the "popular girls" or being true to her friend.

Former teacher pens book on young children

By Charnika Jett
Special Writer

Children toting blue-frosted covered faces and branded with temporary tattoos buzzed around the back room of 826michigan in high anticipation to hear Jacquie Robbins

read her new book, "Two of a Kind." Robbins, a former elementary school teacher, released her second children's book July 7 and hosted a book signing event in Ann Arbor that seemed more like a party. Platters filled with sweet treats and bite-sized bagels were arranged neatly on the table next to the stack of books that Robbins autographed for her pint-sized fans.

"Two of a Kind," the book that Robbins wrote after experiencing children's behavior in school, tells the story of Anna, her best friend, and what happens when Anna must choose between playing with the "popular girls" or being true to her friend.

arts-and-craft table to re-create a project that the character Anna made in the book. Amy Sumerton, volunteer coordinator for 826michigan in Ann Arbor, instructed the children on how to be master scientists as they took pleasure in some inexpensive play time.

"They are doing chromatography," Sumerton says. "You basically take a coffee filter and you draw a dot on it and dip your pinky in a bowl of water and vinegar, and watch the color separate."

Sumerton, who worked closely with Robbins for a number of years, had only the best things to say about Robbins. "She's on of our best volunteers. She's on our board, and she teaches work-

I was a first- and second-grade teacher for a long time and I was always looking for books to show how hard it is (for children) to be friends with someone.

JACQUI ROBBINS
Author of "Two of a Kind"

"I was a first- and second-grade teacher for a long time and I was always looking for books to show how hard it is (for children) to be friends with someone," Robbins says.

After getting positive responses from her target age group, kids ages from 4 to 9 years old, Robbins knew she was quite accurate.

"When I have read the book to a group in a school setting, kids get very nervous when they're not sure who the little girl is going to choose to be friends with," Robbins says. "Then they feel relieved and they feel a lot of empathy for her. They say things like, 'Jacqui, that really happened? That happened to me once.'"

While guests continued to pour in, kids who weren't getting a sneak peak of the book from mom or dad, sat at the

shops for us. She has done a ton of stuff for us."

As everyone made their way in and books signed, Robbins took the front of the crowd and read. Once finished, the crowd erupted with applause. Ruby Taylor, 7, of Ann Arbor, was among the kids in the sea of children who enjoyed the read.

"I thought it was pretty fun," she said while smiling.

Parent of two, Rohit Roshitsetty, also of Ann Arbor, both of Robbins' books are "pretty fun," as well.

"We have read a couple of Jacquie's books before," Roshitsetty said. "I think they have an interesting take on social relationships in the school for kids and I like that it's a bit of diversity in her books, and the big hook for me is that they're funny."



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The cast for this play consists of 30 youth, ages 7 to 14. Every child who auditioned for the play received a part, and they are eager to perform. For most of the students this is their first performance.

The play is directed by Youth and Teen Librarian Lisa McClure, who has taught drama as literature at the college level and drama as performance for youth, and has served as director and set designer for several plays. The play rehearsal does not follow the typical rehearsal formula, as students auditioned and then were given two weeks to memorize their parts. This was followed by only five days of rehearsal before the coming performance.

The play is a 19th century melodrama, with all the boos, hisses, shrieks, and sighs of that genre.

Penelope Trueheart, a pickle factory employee, labors at the factory while she dreams of her lost love, Melvin Wentworth. The evil factory manager, Jasper Grimwood, vows to steal the famous pickle formula from Penelope and the owner of the factory, Bertha Blocker. Hilarity ensues as evil tries to triumph over good in this fun and dramatic presentation.

Rotary Duck Race set for Saturday

The annual Rotary Duck Race will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday. The event will begin with a parade in front of the Treehouse in the Clocktower building on N. Main. The city (special thanks to John Hanifan) will provide a front

loader to carry the little yellow rubber duckies in the parade to Lett's Creek at Vet's Park and dump them in at the starting line.

The Chelsea Police will provide the escort to keep everyone (including the duckies) safe during the parade to Vet's Park. Race time is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Tickets are available today at a table in front of Dangerous Architects and

Chelsea Print and Graphics on Main St near Middle.

Rotarians will wear a variety of ducks on their heads to bring attention to this great cause. Gary Zenz has the decoy on his head and that crazy guy dancing around with the little yellow ducks is Paul A. Schissler of Surface Dynamics.

The Rotary Club of Chelsea donated approximately \$30,000 to local groups in the last year including Faith in

Action, St. Louis Center, CHS scholarships, Vet's Park Bridge and Memorial, Ele's Place, SRSLY and more.

'Distinguished' Scouts



The University of Michigan Health System recently awarded "The Distinguished Service Award" to Chelsea Junior Scout Troop No. 507. The troop of nine girls held a book drive and collected more than 3,000 books for the U of M Health System's Reach Out and Read volunteer program.

Grass Lake

Traffic Jam'in July 31

The first Grass Lake Traffic Jam'in will be held in downtown Grass Lake, starting at 5 p.m. on Friday July 31. Numerous non-profit groups from around the Grass Lake area have joined together to create a fun and exciting event for the whole family.

There will be live music by the Grass Lake High School Marching Band from 5-5:30 p.m., The Mojo Phoenix Blues Band from 7-9 p.m. and Calling Marvin from 9:30-11:30 p.m. Ghost Rider DJ Services will be our master of ceremonies, providing interactive entertainment throughout the night.

The Grass Lake Classic Car Club will host a classic car show on Michigan Avenue from 5 p.m. to dusk. Check out the magic show, clowns, face painting, balloon animals, a car smash, bounce house, obstacle course, super slide and dunk tank.

A beer tent will open at 5 p.m. and run throughout the night. Indulge in street fair cuisine while listening to good music in a relaxed environment. There entire event is free.

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State Sen. Valde Garcia, R-Howell; state Rep. Bill Rogers, R-Brighton; staff member Meghan Lizotte; state Rep. Mike Huckleberry, D-Greenville; staff member Ed Wendover; and Eric Davis of the Michigan Association of Counties represent the state's task force on the Interstate Travelers Co. proposed solar-generated hydrogen powered rail system at University of Michigan's Palmer Commons.

Public hearing held on high-speed rail

Environmental impact at center of talk

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

A Michigan House of Representatives task force was in Ann Arbor earlier this month at the University of Michigan's Palmer Commons for a public hearing on the environmental implications of a proposed high-tech, high-speed rail system that would link Detroit and Lansing.

As described by managers and partners in the Whitmore Lake-based Interstate Travelers Co. L.L.C., the interstate rail system would be a boon to everything from energy infrastructure to the environment to job creation.

A major component and selling-point of the elevated high-speed rail system is the inclusion of solar cells built into the track that would, in conjunction with a water pumping system that could use sea water, sewer water or brine, produce hydrogen stocks that would then be stored and used for energy at a later time, particularly when there's no sun to feed the panels.

"The method by which we acquire, store and use the energy used by a transportation system will, in the future, define the viability of the system, both functionally and economically," said Adam Nehr, ITC chief technology officer both functional and economic.

Nehr also works for Virginia-based InDyne Inc., a science and engineering firm that counts several federal agencies among its clients, including the National Aeronautical and Space Administration, the U.S. Air Force and Center for Disease Control.

He charged that any mass transit system that relies on carbon-based fuels would fail because of rising fossil fuel prices, without specifically mentioning competing projects.

Those opposing alternatives include a proposed Midwest regional high-speed rail project that

includes Michigan, which could receive \$3 billion in federal money. Of course, there is also the Ann Arbor-Detroit Regional Rail Project, which already has secured nearly \$1 million in federal dollars under the stewardship of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

"Any energy using system that does not employ carbon-free energy will fall before it reaches its useful life expectancy," Nehr said.

Even electric-based Amtrak rail, while a more economical method of transport than automobiles, requires electricity and would be a half-step to where transit in America needs to be, he said.

The only question of concern would be ridership. According to published Amtrak passenger counts, the number of people seeking alternatives to automobiles is on the rise from Chicago to Detroit. In Ann Arbor, 148,594 people rode Amtrak in Ann Arbor, 119,121 took the train in Kalamazoo and 59,973 Detroiters hopped aboard.

ITC is counting on adoption to hit Chicago-levels, where more than 3.1 million people took Amtrak — only they want those people and more stepping onto their system.

Amtrak trains are powered by electricity and Nehr had words for that: "Most electricity in the U.S. is coal generated... this is the dirtiest form of carbon-based energy and will be the costliest to bring under environmental control."

Companies that operate coal plants in domestic markets are typically required by statute to reduce or "clean" emissions from their plants. This involves installing scrubbers and other filtration equipment in boilers and stacks. Since the requirement is applied on a system-wide basis, this equipment is often installed at a small number of coal plants, thus bringing the entire system into compliance.

The costs associated with these systems are passed onto the

consumer. The crux of Nehr's argument is that as standards rise, the need for lower emissions will require more of that equipment for plants that are burning a finite fuel source, while ITC's system is designed to give a greater return on investment as more money is invested into building it out.

Moreover, their system can store the bulk — if not all — of its energy source as liquid hydrogen, which also would mean the rail would not be susceptible to power failures like the national energy grid.

"Once the system is up it could act as a surge protector against cascading power grid failures," Nehr cited as a benefit of ITC's system in the event that it is connected to the power grid.

Company founder and managing partner Justin Sutton said that the solar panels used in the system would be cheaper than continuing to use fossil fuels over the 20 year lifetime of the solar cells.

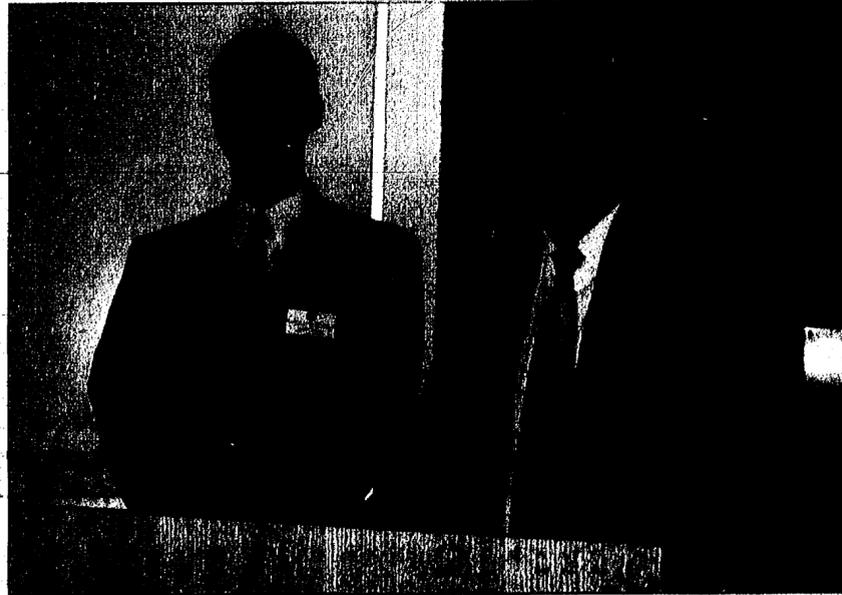
"As we build the system out, the cost of the solar arrays is going to go down because of the quantity we provide. So, the larger system we go, the more it benefits us financially, and the cheaper it is," Sutton said.

During the presentation, he showed numbers that looked impressive on paper.

A 100-mile stretch of rail in ITC's system would have 8.5 million square feet of solar paneling, which would, in turn, generate \$15 million of solar-generated hydrogen energy each year.

"For each segment we build, we're building our own \$15 million a year energy supply that powers our system," Sutton said. "Without that, we would be on the hook for that money. That's energy we don't have to pay for and that's why this system is commercially viable."

He said ITC would eventually like to run the system along the rights-of-way of all 54,000 miles of interstate highway system across



Justin Sutton, founder and manager of Interstate Travelers Co., and Larry Jasper, chief executive officer of Omega Investments, talk about the private backing of a proposed high-speed rail project.

the country in an effort to get the most out of the nation's coast-to-coast three-to-five-hour rating of peak solar exposure. Rural areas then would be able to compensate for more populated areas in the system, since rail in those areas would not require that the system run as many trains.

Sutton said ITC had an agreement to construct the rail lines at the former Ford River Rouge Steel Plant. Of the solar panels, he said there were still options for who supplied them and what quality they were. There are panels that are two and three times more effective than the ones used in his above math.

"Twelve factories here in the United States will produce 2 miles of rail per day per factory. That's 8,760 miles of rail per year," he said. "In 10 years, we will have produced 87,600 miles of rail per year. The entire U.S. Interstate Highway System could be built out in just six years and two

months of production."

State Rep. Mike Huckleberry, District 70, said that the task force had two more meetings over the summer, one of which was to discuss the financial aspects of the proposal in greater detail.

Members of the audience asked how much it would cost to ride. Sutton answered on behalf of the task force, saying roughly one-third of the daily cost of riding an automobile right now, which he cited as between \$6 and \$10 per day.

"One thing I can say," Huckleberry said, "we're interested in at least holding down any potential increases once we see the program and the fees are established. What we're looking to do is enhance and protect all of our constituents."

When asked if the state would help fund the project, the response was "There is no state funding... we don't have it and won't have it in the foreseeable future."

The ITC would deal with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the easements in a public-private partnership. Sutton had made earlier comments indicating that there might be a per-capita profit-sharing agreement with the municipalities through which the rail travels, but further questions were deferred until after the fourth and final task force meeting on finance.

ITC aims to have a prototype operational in Auburn Hills by the end of the year, pending the result of the task force hearings, which will result in a draft recommendation sent to the governor's office that will either call for approval or denial.

The company already has 150 investment partners, some of whom testified in Lansing that they would back the estimated \$2.3 billion required to start the system with the Detroit to Lansing connection.

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Happy Trails

Local company taking care of horses

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

The happy-looking Standardbred horse named Uncle on the company's label tells the story of an Ann Arbor company that has a line of six holistic healthcare equine products.

Uncle's Happy Horse Holistic Products are a blend of all natural Chinese herbs and essentials manufactured in Ann Arbor with a warehouse in Saline.

Sales have grown exponentially over the past six years. The product is used by horsemen, from derby-level trainers to hunter-jumper, pleasure horse riders and rodeo stables, says owner Joe Butcko.

John Shirreff is one of those derby-level trainers.

"We have been using Gut Protector for over a year and it has been effective keeping the horses in the feed tubs," Shirreff says.

He is just one of Happy Horse's happy customers, Butcko says, adding that the line of products is used on athletic horses across the country.

The company was founded by Dr. Herbert Friedman, a retired veterinarian, who died in February. Butcko says his partner spent 10 years in Japan practicing as a veterinarian and studying herbal therapy.

"It was very important to us to make a product that was beneficial to the horse and that was affordable for the owner/trainer," he says.

Its flagship product, called Gut Protector, specifically targets ulcerated tissues and other intestinal issues caused



Photos by Lisa Allmendinger
Joe Butcko, owner of Uncle's Happy Horse Holistic Products, is surrounded by some of the equine products manufactured in Ann Arbor.

Fast Facts

Uncle's Happy Horse Manufactured in Ann Arbor, offices in Saline
Six products in the line
Web site: www.uncle-shappyhorses.com

by stress.

One gallon is \$149 and is given twice a day. One gallon will last one horse about 64 days.

"Athletic horses get stressed from being trailered and being in different stalls," Butcko

says. "Gut Protector addresses the stress."

Dosed directly into the horse's mouth, the molasses and anise flavor are appealing to equines.

"One customer says her horse looks forward to it like a treat," says Jennifer Peck, who works for Uncle's Happy Horse.

The product line is used by hunters and jumpers, pleasure horses, race and rodeo horses.

Among the other products in the line are Heal Salve Fortified, an ointment for scratches wounds, fungus and

heal cracks.

There also is BEP, an all-natural product to help with performance issues and coordination difficulties.

Subside is a pain reliever to help with joint pain and arthritis.

"We are committed and dedicated to making all of our products and using all natural ingredients with the highest quality herbs for the well-being of horses," Butcko says.

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Community Foundation challenge to launch

The Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, in partnership with the Cultural Alliance of Southeastern Michigan, is offering a program to help local arts and cultural organizations raise operating funds.

At 10 a.m. Aug. 18, the Community Foundation will launch its \$1 million "Community Foundation Challenge — Arts and Culture," an online giving challenge designed to stimulate giving to arts and cultural organizations in Southeast Michigan.

"For 25 years, the Community Foundation has supported arts and cultural organizations in Southeast Michigan as part of our mission to improve the lives of all who live and work in the region," said Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan President Mariam Noland. "Arts and culture organizations are essential to our quality of life. They touch our lives every day. They educate us, challenge us, show us who we are and who we can become. And right now, they urgently need our help."

Gifts for the Community Foundation Challenge made online at www.cfsem.org to support participating

On the Web

For more information, visit www.cfsem.org

Cultural Alliance members will be matched 50 percent by the Community Foundation. For every two dollars contributed online by donors to support arts and cultural organizations, the Community Foundation will match it with \$1.

Gifts may be made by credit card or e-check and can range from \$25 to \$10,000 per contributor, per organization.

The goal of the program is to generate \$3 million in operating funds for participating arts and cultural organizations. Each participating Cultural Alliance member can generate up to maximum of \$600,000 of operating funds, or \$400,000 in gifts and \$200,000 in matching funds.

"Arts and cultural organizations all over Southeast Michigan are suffering major cash crises and reducing their programs," Noland said. "This challenge gives everyone an opportunity to lend a hand to help support these vital organizations and makes their contributions worth even more."

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Which is your favorite nonprofit?

A. United Way

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B. Salvation Army

D. Food Gatherers

Your company health plan may end up ruining you

By Leonard Rodberg
Guest Writer

Underinsurance — the failure of insurance plans to protect us from the cost of needed medical care — is a growing problem for millions of middle- and lower-income Americans.

As the national debate over reforming our costly and inefficient healthcare system heats up, recent studies show that deficiencies in our private insurance system afflict many more than the millions who are uninsured.

Yes, it's true that the majority of Americans report they are satisfied with their insurance plans, and so politicians promise "you can keep what you have."

But what is it that we have? For growing numbers of Americans, our health insurance is completely inadequate. Unfortunately, we don't

learn this until we actually get sick. Only when a serious illness or injury hits us do we find our plans really tested. Only then do we discover that co-payments, deductibles, exclusions, and denials leave us struggling to pay for our needed medical care.

We are told that our insurance will take care of us in time of need, but increasingly we are being sold a faulty product.

In a study of health insurance claims just published in the respected policy journal *Health Affairs*, researchers report that between 2003 and 2007 average out-of-pocket expenses paid by adults with

employer-sponsored insurance grew by more than a third, to \$729 per person each year.

One in 10 adults faced out-of-pocket costs that averaged \$3,364. This spending that insurance didn't cover includes deductibles, which the patient must pay before insurance starts paying anything, and co-payments, the patient's share of the remaining bill.

The study's authors attributed the increase in costs to the overall rise in healthcare costs, along with a decline in the coverage provided by employer-sponsored insurance. In fact, the researchers concluded that "in the United States, if you are sick and earn a modest income, you are probably underinsured — even if you have employer-based coverage."

In another study just published in the *American Journal of Medicine*, researchers from Harvard found that in 2007 illness and medical bills contributed to nearly two-thirds of all personal bankruptcies. This is

a 50 percent increase from the number of similar bankruptcies found in 2001.

The majority of medically bankrupt families was middle class and owned their homes. Most surprising, more than three-quarters of them were insured at the start of their illness.

These insured individuals and families were unable to pay out-of-pocket expenses that averaged \$17,749. Severe illness caused many to lose their jobs, which in turn caused them to lose their coverage.

The authors conclude that "the U.S. health care financing system is broken, and not only for the poor and uninsured. Middle-class families frequently collapse under the strain of a healthcare system that treats physical wounds, but often inflicts fiscal ones."

As this research reveals, the way we pay for health care is not protecting us from heavy financial burdens, nor is it assuring us access to needed medical care. Despite this, the health reform plans currently being considered in Congress would require that we purchase the very health insurance that is failing us. They do nothing to reduce the incidence of underinsurance; in fact, they spread it. They leave health insurance just the way it is now and would

require even more people to buy it.

Advocates of a single-payer national health program point out that there is an alternative.

With a public insurance program like Medicare, we could have comprehensive coverage of the care we need. We would also save hundreds of billions of dollars in wasteful administrative spending and contain costs going into the future.

Such a plan, as embodied in Rep. John Conyers' U.S. National Health Care Act (H.R. 676), would create a secure financing mechanism, eliminate the burden of out-of-pocket spending, and protect those of us who become ill from financial ruin.

As Rose Ann DeMoro, executive director of the California Nurses Association, has said, "The trouble for most families is not the lack of insurance, it's the insurance they already have."

Unless we change how the country pays for health care, we won't have the reform we really need.

Leonard Rodberg is professor and chairman of urban studies at Queens College, City University of New York, and research director of the N.Y. Metro Chapter of Physicians for a National Health Program.

OUR TAKE: Editorial

Why don't you try a 'staycation'?

Just because finances are as tight as they are thanks to the sluggish worldwide economy doesn't mean you and your family have to forego fun this summer. Instead of the annual vacation, why not try a "staycation"?

State Rep. Deb Kennedy recently delved into the matter during a town hall meeting at the Gibraltar Community Center. She played host to some experts in the field: Denise Semion of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks; George Zimmerman of Travel Michigan; Kristi Thiel of the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge; and Steve Alman of the Wayne County Parks Division.

The reality is that just because money is tight doesn't mean that you can't have a good time this summer. While you might not be able to go to the Bahamas — or, for that matter, the Grand Canyon, Washington, D.C., or other American landmarks — you can still enjoy yourself in Michigan.

And, if you can't afford a trip to Mackinac or Traverse City, the Detroit area still has its drawing cards.

The Huron-Clinton Metropark system offers 13 parks in the region. They offer vast bike trails, as well as boating, canoeing and kayaking, golfing, camping and fishing, and many other activities. Some things are free (after the cost of a metropark pass, while others involve some type of rental or nominal fee. When factoring in the cost of transportation, as well as the higher "destination point" fees in general, the metroparks can offer plenty of family fun on the cheap.

The Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, a 5,600-acre site stretching from Ecorse to Ohio, offers more basic tourism, including unique islands, marshes, wetlands and waterfront lands along the Detroit River and Lake Erie. It is a tremendous opportunity for wildlife education and photography.

If you want to delve further into the "staycation" opportunities that lie within your reach, try the Travel Michigan Web site at www.michigan.org.

Staying close to home this summer might not only help you make ends meet, but it may even help the local

GUEST COLUMN: By Rich Pollman

Learn about the dangers of lightning

While lightning can be fascinating to watch, it is also extremely dangerous.

During the past 30 years, lightning killed an average of 62 people per year in the United States based on documented cases. This is more than the average of 54 deaths per year caused by tornadoes and the average of 49 deaths per year caused by hurricanes.

However, because lightning usually claims only one or two victims at a time, and because lightning does not cause the mass destruction left in the wake of tornadoes or hurricanes, lightning generally receives much less attention than the more destructive weather-related killers.

While documented lightning injuries in the United States average about 300 per year, undocumented injuries caused by lightning are likely much higher.

Between 1969 and 2008, the state of Michigan ranks 14th among all states in the number of lightning deaths, with 104 people known to be killed by lightning. During that same time period, Michigan ranks second only behind Florida in lightning injuries, with 731 people known to have been injured by a lightning strike in the state.

There were no reported lightning deaths and one injury in Michigan last year. However, lightning had a devastating toll in Michigan in 2007. One person was killed and an additional three people suffered injuries. Damages from lightning totaled nearly \$1 million. Three people were killed by lightning

in Michigan in 2006. During a thunderstorm, each flash of cloud-to-ground lightning is a potential killer. It's only a question of whether a person is in the path of the lightning discharge. Lightning deaths can be prevented only if people are aware of the dangers and seek shelter in a building or car.

Lightning can strike as much as 10 miles away from the rain area in a thunderstorm, which is about the distance that you are able to hear the thunder from the storm. That is why we stress that if you can hear thunder from a storm, you are close enough to be struck by lightning.

"If thunder roars, go indoors," is something worth remembering.

Where organized sports activities are taking place, coaches, umpires, referees or camp counselors must protect the safety of the participants and viewers by stopping the activities sooner, so that the participants and spectators can get to a safe place before the lightning threat becomes significant.

We encourage everyone to take advantage of Lightning Safety Awareness Week to review their plans and discuss with their children the dangers of lightning.

Simply moving indoors when you see lightning or hear thunder can save lives.

For more information, visit the Web site www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov or www.weather.gov/dtx.

Rich Pollman is a warning coordination meteorologist from White Lake.

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"TRY CUTTING BACK ON YOUR HIGH-FIBER DIET."

CL'S

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customer base before the fire, which Laesch discovered after climbing on the roof of the building. But Laesch vowed that day he would return to the same location, and delivered on his promise.

"If I had known it was going to take more than 14 months to reopen I may have found another location," he said. "All we could really do was sit back and let the insurance companies figure everything out. I tried to get them to move faster, but our hands were pretty much tied. We always wanted to at least stay in Chelsea. We love this community, considering all the support we got."

Laesch also got a new name and a little bigger space.

"The owners of Aleko's were doing well with catering and take-out and they wanted to focus more on that and were downsizing a little bit," Laesch said. "I had two partners with me that owned the Aleko's name. We worked out a deal where I bought them out and I could have kept the name. But I would have had to pay them a percentage and I figured since I was starting over anyway, I would

start with a new name."

Laesch says the menu is "90 percent" the same and folks who liked his pizzas before won't be disappointed.

"The recipes are still the same, that was part of the buyout deal," he says. "We've even added some tables and chairs so people can come in now and eat here."

Doug Sills, a partner in the shopping center's "landlord," First Holding Management Co. of West Bloomfield, said in September the owners of the property were "deeply committed" to returning the shopping center to full activity as soon as commercially viable.

"The owners are deeply committed to Chelsea and the shopping center, and to turning an unfortunate accident into an opportunity to make it a better shopping experience," Sills said in September.

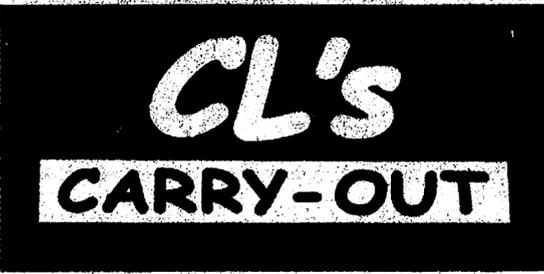
Edward Jones is back in business in the shopping center, but the Chelsea Grille remains about two months away from reopening, according to Laesch.

"They are doing some work over there so they're moving along," Laesch said.

CL's Carry-out will be open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 4 to 9 p.m. on Saturdays and 4 to 8 p.m. on Sundays. For takeout orders, call 1-734-475-7656.



Carl Laesch, owner of CL's Carry-out in Chelsea.



IHA takes over for Dr. O'Brien

IHA recently announced that it will acquire Dr. Thomas K. O'Brien's Chelsea Area Primary Care practice. The deal became effective on July 17.

For the past 20 years, Dr. O'Brien has practiced internal medicine serving the western Washtenaw community and far beyond. True to his values and calling, he has now decided to practice medicine on an Indian Reservation in Arizona.

In planning for his transition, it was extremely important to Dr. O'Brien that he provide his loyal patients with trusted physician services to continue their care. After careful consideration, he concluded that his patients would receive the excellent patient care they were accustomed to through IHA's group practice.

"While my personal transition to Arizona will be challenging, I am excited to make it easy for my patients to transfer their care to physical care provided in practicing primary care medicine," Dr. O'Brien said.

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Kiwanis speakers



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Seniors welcome new director

By Sean Dalton
Staff Writer

Lindsay Bacon took the reins as the new director at the Chelsea Senior Center earlier this month and is already making a difference.

Bacon has a Masters of Social Work from Saline, and the center's staff says she also brings with her something more important than accreditations and certificates — she brings a "wealth of experience" working in the aging network.

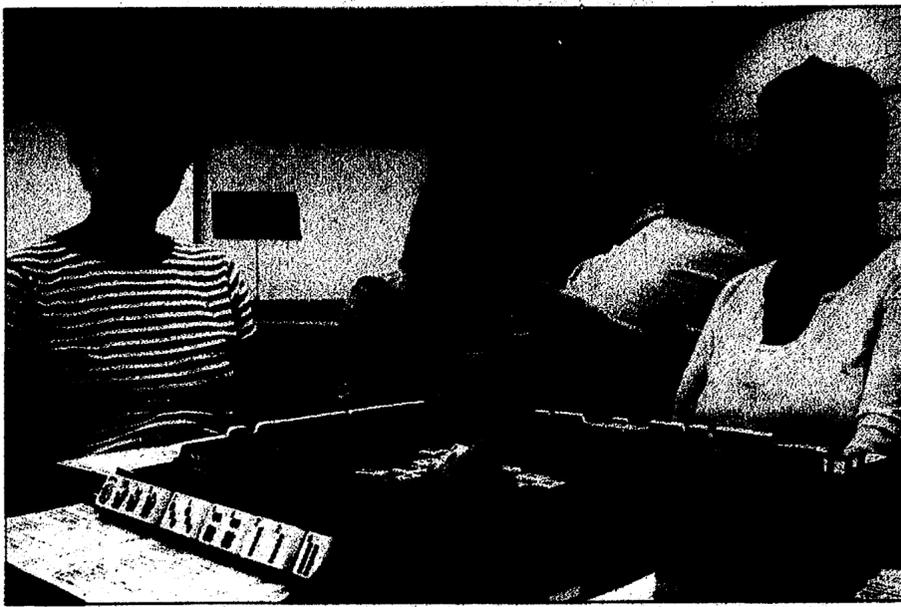
Bacon replaces the popular and creative Tina Patterson, who spent years at the senior center as a strong leader with a powerful resume.

Bacon also comes loaded with experience, having worked for the State Office on Aging, in senior centers in both Detroit and East Lansing, and in long-term care settings.

"The search committee was impressed with her," says Administrative Assistant Kay Heller, who served as interim director of the Chelsea Senior Center when Patterson left in May.

"They were impressed by her warm, bubbly personality, fresh ideas and vision for the future."

The Chelsea Senior Center is a multi-purpose activity center for those ages 55 and older. They pride themselves on their exciting trips all over the globe, physical fitness classes for people of varying abilities, regular card games, computer assistance, arts and crafts groups, and by being — quite



Lindsay Bacon with the Mah Jongg group (from left, Jari Baird, Lindsay Bacon and Flo Collins). Bacon is the new director at the Chelsea Senior Center.

If you go

What: "Showbiz," the annual fund-raiser for the Chelsea Senior Center
When: Aug. 14 and 15
The why: Tickets are \$35, which includes dinner and a show celebrating the classic Broadway hits of the 1930s through the 1960s.
For more information: Visit www.chelseaseniors.org or call 734-475-9294.

simply — a great place for the young at heart.

Bacon says she is ready to continue driving the center towards meeting those goals and expected programs, as well as creating fresh new programs down the road.

"I knew immediately that this would be a perfect fit for both parties," said Bacon. "The seniors have welcomed me with open arms. I feel so blessed to be here."

One of her top priorities, which is something that her predecessor strove for too, is increasing membership and continuously offering new and interesting programs for those eager to take advantage of what they offer.

The month of August will bring many exciting opportunities for community members to get a taste for the Chelsea Senior Center. "Showbiz" will take place on Aug. 14 and 15 and the center will launch an innovative evidence-based fitness program called "Enhance Fitness" on July 29. This program offers an opportunity for people of all abilities to work out using various techniques such as stretching, resistance, weights and cardio.

For information about these programs or other offerings at the center, visit www.chelseaseniors.org or call 734-475-9294.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor: I'd like to lament, for a moment, the absence of arts and crafts at this year's upcoming Summerfest.

Some of us remember the days of simple Sidewalk Sales in town. For over 15 years we had a booth at the corner of South and Main, between the courthouse and the post office.

We not only drew customers from Detroit to Chicago who came to buy our work and enjoy the festivities, our glass glittering in the sun literally stopped traffic. Many people told us they were driving through town, stopped to take a closer look, and stayed for lunch and shopping.

A few years ago, some well-meaning folks decided to "class it up" a little, and put all the "art" on a side street. The next year, it was moved to a church parking lot. The death knell

came after being held down in the Clocktower complex, where it was next to invisible.

Apparently there will be some "art" in people's front yards this weekend, not officially connected to Summerfest. I'm sure a few friends and neighbors will see it, but I highly doubt it will draw people from Detroit to Chicago.

Marei Parker Darwin
Waterloo Township

CHELSEA BRIEFS

Art in the yard

Local artist Rick De Troyer will be showing 12 pieces of his work on East Middle Street this weekend in conjunction with the Summer Festival. Sculptures will be in the front yards of local residents on Middle Street. Jim Myles' Victorian B & B House will host his "Spirit of Chelsea" in his yard. He also will have sculptures of animals, flowers and whimsical ideas. All of his work is made from found objects, recycled steel or just natural elements.

"I hope the crowds will walk to the Oak Grove Cemetery were I will have my latest 12-foot tall 'Wind Machine' placed in front of the field-stone entrance," he said. "I make what I like, sometimes using things I find that others have left behind. This gives me the freedom and power to change my surroundings as I experience new ideas."

De Troyer says that nature has always been his playground. "I'm finding a niche in public sculpture with recognition from

both the Ruth Mott Foundation and Marshall Fredericks Museum of Sculpture Art," he said. "I feel free to place ideas and shapes in front of people while trying to complement nature around us."

Open house

Silver Maples, 100 Silver Maples Dr. in Chelsea, will host an open house for The Maples Club, an adult day services program, from 9 to 11 a.m. tomorrow. Visitors will learn more about adult day services, the specifics of Silver Maples' program, including the breadth and scope of activities offered, a look at the community, as the benefits of the program for both loved ones and caregivers. Silver Maples is a non-profit retirement community that has been providing independent living and assisted living apartments in Chelsea since 1997. Silver Maples is jointly sponsored by the Chelsea Area Wellness Foundation and United Methodist Retirement Communities. For more information, call (734) 475-4111 or visit www.silvermaples.org.

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CITY COUNCIL

Chelsea, FIA establish utility support fund

Residents who find themselves in a situation where they can't pay their utility bills to the city are in luck after the Chelsea City Council recently agreed to work with the local Faith in Action.

The two organizations have now partnered to administer a utility support fund. The city will collect the money and Faith in Action will be responsible for determining need on a case by case basis.

The fund is only applicable to customer accounts tied to the municipal utility operations.

Nancy Paul, head of Chelsea FIA, has been working with City Manager John Hanifan and his staff. Paul has been furnished a list of addresses serviced by the city.

On a monthly basis, as contributions are received, the city will generate a payment to FIA for the fund with a listing of the names and addresses of donors.

In other city business:

The council voted to send Laura Kaiser to serve as the employer delegates to represent Chelsea at the

MERS meeting in Grand Rapids from Sept. 15 to 17.

Each year MERS holds the meeting to address changes and updates relating to defined benefit and defined contribution plans.

The city agreed to the terms of Teamsters Local 214 Collective Bargaining Unit's contract.

Term of the contractor is July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

Much of the contract hasn't changed - referred to as a "status quo" contract.

What did change was a wage increase of 2 percent in 2009, 2.25 percent in 2010 and 2.5 percent in 2011, as well as the switch from a sick/vacation day system to a paid time off (PTO) system. Short term disability insurance is also part of the new contract.

"I would like to thank Union Stewards Corey Davis and Karon Barbour for their spirit of cooperation and professionalism during the negotiations," Hanifan said. "Also, I would like to thank the members of the Union for their dedication to the well being of the City of Chelsea."

DEQ: Benzene contamination contained

By Sean Dalton
Staff Writer

The worst of the benzene contamination is now gone for residents living around the corner of Wilkinson and W. Middle Street in Chelsea, as well as the Washtenaw County Road Commission facility in Chelsea.

That was the position of the state Department of Environmental Quality on Monday.

"Basically they're done," said DEQ analyst Terry Hiske.

"They jumped on it right away as soon as they found it, defined the extent and; fortunately it fit in with their plans," since the area around the discovered tank leaking the benzene already needed to be dug out for a detention pond. Hiske said he hadn't seen

any paperwork and didn't know if any would be filed, since paperwork is only filed for regulated fuel tanks.

"If it was a tank for home heating oil, then it's non-regulated ... if it's non-regulated they can self-implement and just keep (the paperwork) on their own file," Hiske said, adding that based on the size he felt it was an unregulated tank.

He added that Soils, Materials and Engineers are still researching the tank and its former contents.

He estimated that the leaky four foot tank once had a 500 gallon capacity.

He gave the WCRC kudos for their handling of the incident.

"They responded in a more timely fashion to find the extent ... usually people drag that out for years," he said.

WCRC Managing Director Steve Puuri said the contamination was "just barely over the bare minimum threshold" that the DEQ sets for the clean-up that his crew undertook on July 10.

"Even though it was at the lowest level, we handled it," Puuri said. "We're confident that the final report will be viewed as a clean closure of that."

Puuri said his employees followed procedure, right down to contacting the jurisdictional municipality's staff engineer and manager.

PRESS

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been a mixed bag, according to Borton. On one hand, the company's core business has declined slightly, but on the other Thomson-Shore managers are looking to break into new markets and expand the number of products they currently offer.

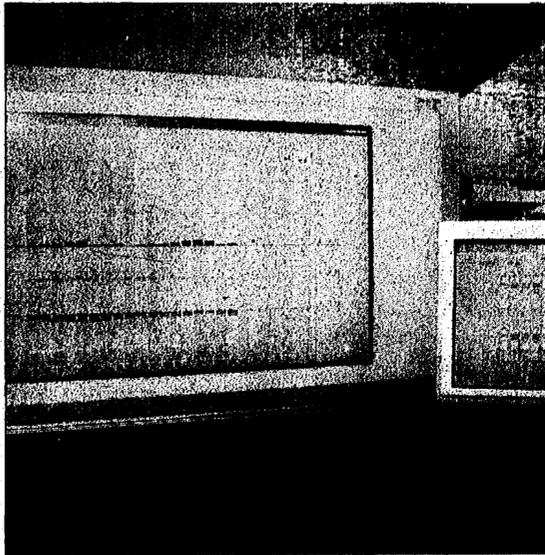
The company's core business is one-color soft and hard case books.

"It's still stable because we have really long-term great relationships in the university and religious press market," Borton said. "We're very well positioned in those markets, so while we are feeling it in our core business, we're still stable."

She says that Thomson-Shore isn't going anywhere, judging from the overall stability and the fact that investment is being made in new areas such as graphic novels and e-books.

The company is also making moves into the trade paperback market, as well as into full-color books, digital books and author services.

Currently the company can help authors process their work



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to e-book, but Thomson-Shore wants to offer them a whole lot more.

That work capacity that was not cut will go towards these new initiatives.

"We were overstaffed for as efficient as we are ... we were overstaffed (compared with) our capabilities," she said.

Facility upgrades weren't just made with streamlining the business in mind, but also reducing its impact on the environment.

The company has an internal environmental council that discusses how to minimize the environmental impact a printing business has - which can

be considerable, according to company officials.

"One of the great things about our new web press, which was one of our most recent purchases is it uses a UV drier vs. carbon dioxide," Borton said. "Most of them use driers, we're very happy to say that that has reduced our greenhouse gas emissions."

The company is working to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 20 percent by 2020 and by 80 percent by 2050.

Thomson-Shore also recently kicked off a project to reduce its landfill to 0 percent by 2015.

"We're always looking for ways to do things better understanding that this industry can be hard on the environment; we're always conscious of that," Borton said.

She says the company prides itself on being an industry leader where the environment is concerned. The company was one of the first to sign the Green Press Initiative.

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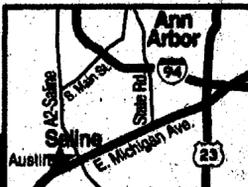
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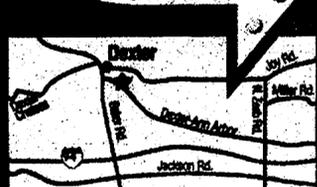
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Leave a Legacy campaign looks to future

Group seeks to aid nonprofits through bequests

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Southeast Michigan residents are a generous lot in life, but somewhat stingy in death.

Although 81.5 percent of the U.S. population gives annually to nonprofits, only 2.8 percent leave a bequest at death, statistics that Leave A Legacy Southeast Michigan would like to change with a campaign encouraging people to name nonprofit organizations in their wills.

The nine-county campaign, driven by efforts of volunteers from nonprofit groups and financial, estate planning and law firms, is sponsored by the Planned Giving Roundtable of Southeast Michigan. Nonprofit organizations are struggling because of the recession and cutbacks in donations and in state and federal funding.

You don't have to be a Rockefeller or Trump to leave a legacy that will make a difference to others. Gifts large and small are important, said Marie Seddon, executive director of the United Methodist Retirement Communities Heritage Foundation. UMRC has residential facilities in Chelsea, Dexter, and Detroit.

Seddon appeared in a recent Ann Arbor Access TV cable show with Donna Snyder, assistant general counsel at the University of Michigan, and Christopher Belcher of Comerica Bank. All three are involved in Leave A Legacy of Southeast Michigan.

"You might not be able to contribute much in your lifetime, when you have bills to pay and a family to take care of. But with a bequest, you can leave a gift for a favorite charity after your death," Seddon said.

"Leaving a gift to charity when you pass on is a way to leave this world a little better off than when you came into it. It's something we should all consider. By leaving a bequest, parents give their children an important life lesson."

Over the next 40 years or so, an estimated 11 to 12 trillion dollars will be passed from the estates of the World War

II and the early baby boom generations.

"Imagine the benefit to charities if some of this was left as bequests," Seddon said.

A resident at the Chelsea Retirement Community, who had volunteered for years before living there, left her entire estate to the UMRC Heritage Foundation, Seddon said.

"Her gift is supporting the people there, many of whom were her friends. A bequest tells a story about that person and what mattered to them," Seddon said.

Some gifts are as small as \$50, Seddon said.

"It was what that person really wanted to do and they left what they could," she said. "That kind of gift really means a lot."

Jo Ellen Rahaim, director of gift planning and community relations at the Evangelical Home in Saline, said that since 1989 Evangelical Homes of Michigan has received almost \$7 million in legacy gifts, ranging from \$200 to \$1.8 million.

"Many bequests were from individuals who had not made a lifetime gift to EHM," said Rahaim, who also serves as co-chairwoman of the Steering Committee for Leave A Legacy Southeast Michigan.

In 2008, Evangelical Homes of Michigan received more than \$600,000 from the estates of Carl and Erma Holtz of Ann Arbor. The gift, representing about 40 percent of Evangelical Homes of Michigan's total gifts for 2007-08, was in appreciation for the care Evangelical Home-Saline gave to Erma's mother, Mina P. Bailey, who lived at the Saline home from 1983 until her death in 1990. Prior to this bequest, designated for the unrestricted use of Evangelical Homes of Michigan, the couple had made modest annual gifts to Evangelical Homes of Michigan.

"A portion has been used for our new Memory Support Center, a 33,000-square-foot facility, which will deliver a full continuum of care for individuals with varying degrees of dementia. It will open this September," Rahaim said. "The Holtz bequest will be honored along with all the donors who have given gifts totaling over \$1.5 million to build this community resource."

People give to EHM for a



Marie Seddon, executive director of the United Methodist Retirement Communities Heritage Foundation, holds old stock certificates that were left as a bequest to Leave A Legacy of Southeast Michigan. A nine-county campaign is under way to encourage people to name nonprofit organizations in their wills.

variety of reasons, Rahaim said. They believe in its mission; have seen its work first-hand; it has directly impacted their life or the life of a loved one; they feel they know Evangelical Homes of Michigan; they have high regard for the staff and leadership; and it allows them to honor or memorialize a loved one.

Snyder advises the development staff and others at University of Michigan campuses on legal and tax aspects of development activities related to gifts to U of M, including lifetime gifts, bequests, pooled income fund gifts and charitable trusts.

Snyder, Washtenaw County co-chairwoman for Leave A Legacy Southeast Michigan,

said putting a bequest to charity in a will is easy to arrange. "It's an opportunity to make one last, very meaningful gift, a gift that continues to give."

What is a bequest?

A charitable bequest is a distribution from your "estate" — money and possessions you leave at death such as a car, house, furniture, jewelry, musical instruments, collectibles, etc. — to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. It's one of the simplest forms of planned giving, and a way to help a favorite non-profit. It can be a specific dollar amount or a percentage of the estate. It may be in the form of cash, stocks, IRA or retirement plans, life insurance, certificates of deposit, real estate, or a pooled income fund or various forms of trusts.

What's in it for me or my heirs?

Two words: tax deductions. Or to put it in legalese, all outright bequests are subject to the unlimited federal charitable deduction from your gross estate, and annual contributions to your chosen bequest vehicle are tax-deductible during your lifetime.

Some people feel they should leave their entire estate to children and relatives, but depending on current tax laws, leaving a gift to charity may reduce the estate tax burden on your heirs. And there's the satisfaction of knowing you've left a legacy to help others.

How do I "Leave A Legacy"?

Estate planners, or bank trust officers and attorneys who specialize in estate plan-

ning will be happy to help, as will charities, and they can explain how bequests may benefit your family after you're gone.

According to a 2004 Associated Press news story, only 42 percent of adults have wills.

A simple will is relatively inexpensive. Wills don't have to be complex. They should be reviewed periodically, especially after major changes such as a loved one's death or a divorce.

For more information, visit www.leavealegacysoutheast-michigan.org.

Who needs help?

All types of nonprofit groups, including social service and arts organizations, churches, hospitals and educational institutions, are participating in the Leave A Legacy campaign, promoting the message that people from all walks of life can "make a difference in the lives that follow."

If a nonprofit doesn't spring immediately to mind, think about places that have impacted your life. It might be a hospital or hospice that provided compassionate care; a food bank that gave help during tough times; a foundation that provided a scholarship for your child's education.

Perhaps a family member benefited from medical research; a friend found protection in a domestic abuse shelter; or your children benefited from an arts or music program. Perhaps you're an active volunteer in an organization; or, you'd like to leave a gift in memory of a loved one.

Whatever the cause, you can help.

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Beer Cup invites competition

It's Craft Beer Month in Michigan, an official celebration set forth by the governor herself.

Throughout the entire month of July, festivities across Washtenaw County have been taking place in bars, restaurants and public places, from Beer Trivia at Ashley's Monday to Bells Brewery Night Wednesday at The Arena to the highly anticipated Michigan Brewers' Summer Beer Festival in Ypsilanti Friday and Saturday.

In addition, this year's celebration comes with a twist: the inaugural Michigan Beer Cup.

Through the end of next week, residents of Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor will be pitted against one another in an ultimate showdown of which city can drink the most Michigan beer.

The winners of this grand challenge get both bragging rights and the company of the official Michigan Beer Cup, which will be touring each participating bar from the winning city.

Local participating restaurants include Ashley's, Red Hawk, The Arena, Bar Louie and Arbor Brewing Co., and are among the more than 25 total watering holes. So, make sure you stop by at some point during the week

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to do your part for Ann Arbor. And remember, it has to be a craft Michigan beer to qualify for the cup.

Scoring will be expertly weighed to consider the number of participating pubs per city and pints consumed therein, so Ann Arbor's higher volume of bars serving craft beer doesn't give the city an unfair advantage.

The first of what is hoped to be an annual event, the Michigan Beer Cup is the brainchild of Rick Lack at Rave Associates (<http://www.raveassociates.com>), a local importer and distributor of wine and beer.

As a means to support Craft Beer Month and increase exposure to the wide spectrum of Michigan beers, Lack conceived, arranged and launched the concept this year. He also will be naming the official winner next week at the Summer Beer Festival.

In case you won't be around for this year's Michigan Beer Cup, fear not. Planning for next year's event is already under way, with other cities in the region already expressing interest in competing for the prize.

Data for the Michigan Beer Cup will be collected through Friday.

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Rally draws fans of old-time organs

The Mid-America Chapter of the Musical Box Society International will present its 34th annual Band Organ Rally at Ypsilanti's Riverside Park and Depot Town July 31 and Aug. 1.

Residents throughout Michigan are invited to enjoy the music and try their hand at cranking some of the smaller organs. The event begins at 10 a.m. each day and concludes at 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

On display and playing for everyone's enjoyment, will be a variety of large roll-operated and midi-operated band organs

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Also on display will be smaller, portable hand-cranked street organs, frequently known as monkey organs.

Band organs and monkey organs originated in Europe and became available in the United States in the late 1800s. Organ grinders were common on the streets of larger cities, often with a monkey to provide entertainment with the organ music.

Band organs provided music in skating rinks in towns of all sizes and on carousels, either in amusement parks or with traveling carnivals.

The term band organ comes from the instrument's ability to duplicate the music of a small band. Band organ sales were targeted at commercial ventures because the organs could play a variety of music any time, day or night, and there were no musicians to pay.

The Wurlitzer Company made most American band organs and many other offshoot organ companies that were centralized in North Tonawanda, N.Y. The last band organ from the Wurlitzer factory shipped in 1989 and band organ music with carousels generally phased out in the late 1950s as the music machines wore out.

Both old and newer organs will be shown at the organ rally. Some mechanical music hobbyists have restored early band organs and monkey organs. Other hobbyists have built organs of their own design or replicas of mass manufactured ones.

For more information on the event, visit the Web site www.mbsi.org.

BIRTHS

Madeline Schmieg
Adam and Jill Schmieg of Westor, Fla., announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Elyse Schmieg.

She was born June 24 at Memorial Hospital West in Pembroke Pines, Fla.

Her grandparents are Bill and Sharman Pfau of Naples, Fla., and Clint and Pat Schmieg of Lambertville.

Her great-grandmother is Lucille Shank of Pandora, Ohio.

Christopher Mason
Michael and Stephanie Mason of Taylor announce the birth of their son, Christopher Michael Mason.

He was born June 11 at Detroit Mercy Hospital.

His grandparents are Jim and Sharon Langdon of Clinton and Steven and Karen Edwards of Tampa Bay, Fla.



Death Notices

HERITAGE NEWSPAPERS

ALLEN, WANNIE; of Stockbridge, MI; age 80; passed away on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at the Saline Evangelical Home. She was born on June 5, 1929, in Salyersville, KY, the daughter of Rollie and Addie (Cooper) Collinsworth. Wannie had lived in the area since she was 19 years old. She graduated from Salyersville High School in 1948. For 27 years she worked for Rockwell International in Chelsea, where she held several positions. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Stockbridge for many years and she enjoyed puzzles, quilting, talking and visiting with people. On April 1, 1949, she married Norman R. Allen, and he preceded her in death on August 12, 2003. Surviving are two children, Joe (Jue) Allen of Stockbridge and Wendy (Roger) Thompson of Missouri; seven brothers and sisters, Thomas Collinsworth of Chelsea, Katherine (Eldean) Eisele of Chelsea, Harold (Barbara) Collinsworth of Kentucky, Clifford Collinsworth of Chelsea, Mary (Arnold) Higgins of Tennessee, Luke (Sue) Collinsworth of Chelsea and Jean (Bob) Castle of Warsaw, IN; one granddaughter, Becky (Mike) Keeney; and two great grandchildren. In addition to her husband she was also preceded in death by two brothers, Guy and Ben Roark, and one sister, Anna Borders. Funeral Services were held Friday, July 17, 2009, at 11 a.m. from the First Presbyterian Church of Stockbridge with the Rev. Shannon O'Leary officiating. Burial followed at Oaklawn Cemetery. The family received friends at the Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home on Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the church.

CHURCHILL, DONALD N.; of Milan, MI; age 82; passed away on Saturday, July 18, 2009, in the Saline Evangelical Home. He was born on July 22, 1926, in Kalamazoo, MI, to Wilfred L. and Marie L. (Forest) Churchill. On March 17, 1946, he married Carol J. McKindley in Benton Harbor, MI; she survives. Mr. Churchill served in the U.S. Navy before entering Michigan State University. He was holding his first daughter in his arms when he got his picture taken graduating from MSU in 1948. He received his chemical engineering degree from MSU in 1957 and by then he was the father of five. He was admitted to Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society for his academic excellence. Mr. Churchill loved sailing, skiing and photography, was a Civil War history buff and a Hamm radio operator. He built boats as a hobby, including a cabin cruiser that would sleep seven people. In 1970, he and Carol established Scio Plastics, Inc. in Milan, a metal finishing plant, which they operated for over 20 years. Survivors, including his wife, are seven children, Cynthia M. (William Credidio) Churchill, MD, of Hilliard, OH, Bruce H. (Wilma) Churchill of Maumee, OH, Martha A. Churchill of Milan, Carolyn L. Churchill of Pullman, MI, Nathan R. Churchill of Ypsilanti, Jean F. (Gerald) Wade of Milan and Kathryn C. (Robert) Cannon of Louisville, KY; also surviving are five grandchildren, Jeanette L. (Charles) House, Sarah F. Churchill, Jacob L. Wade, and Helen M. and Alexander J. Cannon; and a sister, Marilyn (Ralph) DeLisle of Gainesville, FL. Visitation was held at the Ochalek-Stark Funeral Service, Milan on Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m., where Funeral Services were held on Wednesday at 11 a.m., with Rev. Dr. Patricia Green of Marble United Methodist Church officiating. Burial took place at Marble Park Cemetery. Memorial gifts in his name may be given to the Milan Public Library. Online condolences may be offered to the family through the obituary page at www.ochalekstark.com

KEEZER, PATRIGIA G.; age 78; of Easley, SC, formerly of Manchester, MI; passed away on July 18, 2009. She was born on October 26, 1930 to Lloyd and Doris Keeny in Eaton Rapids, MI. The family moved to Chelsea, MI in 1937. She is survived by three daughters, Sherri Roberts of Easley, SC, Lori LeBlanc (Rene) of Homer, MI and Diane Schwab (Larry) of Manchester, MI; and a sister, Kay Zumbro of Albuquerque, NM. In addition, she is survived by five grandchildren, Mike LeBlanc of Marshall, MI, Sarah LeBlanc Dix (Jeff) of Simpsonville, SC, Beau LeBlanc (Bradie) of Homer, MI, Ken Schwab of Sault Ste Marie, MI and Kristina Schwab of Manchester, MI. She is also survived by her great granddaughter, Kelsey LeBlanc of Homer, MI. Following cremation, her ashes will be buried in Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea, MI at 3 p.m. on July 25, 2009. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.



CURTIS, BERNARD J. "BUD"; born November 12, 1912; died July 3, 2009; at the age of 96. Married to Doris C. Holloway-Curtis in 1939. He is survived by sons; Bruce (Barbara) of St. Augustine, FL, Bernard (Barb) of Ft. Myers, FL, and Marcie Curtis of Waterford, MI; also survived by 10 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren. Memorial donations can be made to St. Joseph's Hospice or the Plymouth Rock Masonic Lodge #47.



GRAY, MARK STEVEN; of Dexter, MI; age 52; passed away July 19, 2009. He is survived by his loving wife, Sandy; two sons, Jeremy Seger and Eric Gray; six grandchildren; brother, Bruce Gray; and sister, Pam Cramer; and many nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service was held at Hosmer Muehlhig Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Lung Cancer Association.

HOWARD, CHARLES KEITH; age 54; of Pincney; died Friday, July 17, 2009. A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, July 23, 2009, at 7 p.m. at the St. Johns Lutheran Church, 13542 Mercedes Ave., Redford, MI 48239.



MATERNOWSKI, TAMMY M. (SHIPLEY); age 49; passed away July 6, 2009; lived in Manistee with her husband at the time of her death. Born on December 20, 1959, in Ann Arbor, MI; former resident of Dexter, MI. Grew up in Delhi, MI. She is survived by her husband, Paul; her daughter, Amanda; three grandchildren, Elijah, Alisyn and Camryn; two brothers, Joey and Carl; sister-in-law, Terry; two sisters, Lori and Carlena; a niece, Felicia; a nephew, Jo Jo; and many friends. A Memorial Celebration of Tammy's life has taken place in Manistee; another memorial will take place in Dexter for friends and family. Soon to be announced.

SCHWIEGER, THELMA MAE SALTER; who passed away July 2, 2009; in Chelsea, Michigan. Thelma was born July 13, 1929, in Bridgewater, Michigan. She is survived by two children, Thelma Carlyn Schwieger Short and Carl Heinz Schwieger II; four grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and dear friends and care givers, Kraig and Regan Leach. Thelma graciously donated her body to the University of Michigan Anatomical Donations Program, and upon cremation her remains will be taken to Kentucky to be with "the girls". No services are planned.

VILA, RUTH E.; of Kalamazoo, formerly of Saline; passed away July 15, 2009 at her residence. Ruth was born February 9, 1922 in Bloomfield Hills, MI, the daughter of William and Mary (Harp) Harvey and has lived in Kalamazoo since 1999. Ruth formerly resided in Saline, MI. She was a past member of the Women's City Club of Ann Arbor and the Saline Historical Society. She was a Bridge Life Master and a water color artist. Ruth enjoyed and dedicated her life to loving and caring for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Martin on March 3, 2006 and was also preceded by two brothers, William and Robert Harvey and by two sisters, Marge Bredernitz and Merrilee Deckert. Surviving are two sons, Matthew (Susanne) Vila of West Virginia and Gary (Solly) Leiterman of Kalamazoo; four grandchildren, Laura (Todd) Rawson, Anthony (Aubrey) Vila, Darwin (Jeannie) Leiterman and Olive (Dharwin) Vanilla; four great grandchildren, Jaden Leiterman, Micah Leiterman, Nicolas Vanilla and Amellia Vanilla; a sister-in-law Carmen (Joseph) Mosquera of Dearborn, MI; several nieces and nephews. Services will be held at 2 o'clock on Saturday at the Langeland Family Funeral Homes, Westside Chapel, 3928 S. 9th St. with the Rev. Daniel Ferraz officiating. Interment in Hope Cemetery, Texas Township. Friends may meet the family on Saturday from 1 to 2 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions in Ruth's memory may be made to Heartland Hospice of Kalamazoo. Please visit www.langelands.com to sign the online register book and leave a condolence to the family.

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VOEGEDING, MARIAN ADELAIDE; age 79; a life-long resident of Manchester; passed away July 16, 2009. Marian was born on April 7, 1930 in Manchester the daughter of Clyde and Hazel (Barnes) Gieske. She married Lynn Voegeding on November 26, 1955 in Manchester. Marian was a graduate of Manchester High School and Cleary College. She was a homemaker and secretary and organizer for the Sharon United Methodist Church. Her first job was as a secretary in the University of Michigan Political Science Department. She also worked part time with her husband at Unit Packaging. Marian was a member of the Sharon United Methodist Church and involved in many of its activities including Dorcas Fellowship and choir. She was an integral part of the Manchester High School Alumni Association. In 2008 she received the President's Volunteer Service Award for over 1000 hours of service. She will be sadly missed by her husband of 53 years and children, Gary (Gigi) Voegeding of Manchester, Sharon (Rev. Mark) Miller of Romulus, Lori (Randy) Bradshaw of Manchester; grandchildren, Philip and Lauren Voegeding, Hannah and Mary Bradshaw all of Manchester; and sister, Mildred Huehl of Chelsea. She was preceded in death by her parents. In honor of Marian, memorial donations may be given to the Sharon United Methodist Church. Envelopes will be available at the Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Jenter Chapel where the family received friends on Saturday, July 18, 2009 from 6 to 8 p.m., Sunday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. A Healing Farewell was on Monday, July 20, 2009 at 10 a.m. with service at 11 a.m. at the Sharon United Methodist Church with Pastor Pete Harris officiating. Interment Rows Corner Cemetery. Please sign Mrs. Voegeding's guestbook at www.borekennings.com or leave a message of comfort for her family by calling 877-231-7900.

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U-M hosts bladder cancer fundraiser

The University of Michigan's Department of Urology will host a fundraiser from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Aug. 6 on the Detroit River to raise money for bladder cancer research.

Patrons of the "Get on Board to Fight Bladder Cancer" fundraiser will enjoy a scenic tour on the Infinity Yacht at the Jefferson Beach Marina in St. Clair Shores. It costs \$125 or \$230 for a pair of tickets.

The three-hour cruise includes an unlimited bar, appetizers and a gourmet dinner menu. A special bladder

cancer research update with U of M urologic physicians and scientists will be held to learn more about current research and treatment advances.

"This is an exciting time for research," said Dr. Cheryl Lee, director of the U of M Bladder Cancer Program and associate professor in the Department of Urology. "There are several new drugs and new types of procedures that may have an expanded use in the management of bladder cancer. Testing new approaches is instrumental in

offering patients better surgical and medical care."

The state of the economy has severely limited the availability of research funding from the federal government and from foundations, she said.

"Private donations have allowed our scientists to advance our research and continue to provide state-of-the-art clinical trials for bladder cancer patients of all stages," Lee said. "Without the generous philanthropic support from our patients and other

friends, this research could not continue. By supporting research, patients truly have the ability to help find a cure for bladder cancer."

"At U of M, researchers are busy identifying new drug combinations and treatment approaches to benefit patients with bladder cancer. The group has developed several new clinical trials to improve patient survival and ultimately find a cure. Clinical trials are the best way to evaluate new therapies and make

advances in understanding the disease."

Some of the research funding has allowed doctors to study:

•Basic research to help predict which tumors are more likely to become advanced.

•Genetic studies to predict response to chemotherapy.

•A study assessing the use of new chemotherapies before bladder removal.

•A study comparing different surgical techniques to improve quality of life in patients undergoing bladder removal

and neobladder formation. •A bladder cancer survivorship program which will focus on patient after-care.

An estimated 70,980 cases of bladder cancer are expected to occur in 2009, making it the fifth most common cancer among Americans. Bladder cancer is four times higher in men than women but incidence among women are on the rise.

For more information about the fundraiser or for information on bladder cancer, visit the U of M Department of Urology Web site at www.umich.edu.

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FAMILY FEATURES

Smart shoppers are always looking for ways to save money at the grocery store. A growing number of them are finding that one way to save money on everything from appetizers to desserts is to buy store brand items.

- A November 2008 Nielson survey showed that 67 percent of shoppers said store brands provide "extremely good value" for their prices.
- A 2009 GfK Custom Research survey found that nearly 55 percent of shoppers say they buy private label items "frequently."
- Nearly three-fourths of shoppers in both surveys said that store brand quality is as good as the national brands.

What are store brand products?

Store brand products are items sold under a retail store's private label. For example, grocery store chains offer a wide range of dairy, bakery, beverage and personal care products with the store brand name on them.

According to The Private Label Manufacturer's Association (PLMA), these items are made by

- large national brand manufacturers
- small, quality manufacturers
- major retailers and wholesalers
- regional brand manufacturers

Because of this, says the PLMA report Store Brands Today, "Store brand items consist of the same or comparable ingredients as the national brands. Because the store's name or symbol is on the package, the consumer is assured that the product is manufactured to the store's quality standards and specifications."

Store brands let shoppers take advantage of high quality, lower-cost store brand items so that they can buy more and spend less. And that's a pretty sweet deal.



Save more on sweets!

Stocking up on store brand ingredients makes scrumptious desserts possible on just about any budget.

Chocolate Raspberry Ice Cream Cake

- 1/2 gallon block vanilla ice cream, softened
- 1 1/2 cups raspberry preserves
- 10 chocolate sandwich crèmes cookies, crumbled
- 3/4 cup chocolate syrup, divided
- 1 tub (8 ounces) frozen non-dairy whipped topping, thawed

Line bottom of a 13 x 9-inch pan with foil. Remove paper carton from ice cream block. Using a knife dipped in hot water, cut slices of ice cream and place in bottom of pan. Spread ice cream into a smooth layer.

Spread preserves over ice cream. Sprinkle cookie crumbles on top of preserves. Drizzle 1/2 cup chocolate syrup over cookie crumbles. Top with slices of remaining ice cream. Spread ice cream until smooth.

Place in freezer for a minimum of 3 to 4 hours. Remove from freezer and turn out onto serving platter. Remove foil. Frost with whipped topping. Drizzle remaining 1/4 cup chocolate syrup over top to decorate. Return to freezer until ready to serve.

Peanut Butter Chocolate Swirl Cheesecake

- Crust:**
- 9 whole graham crackers, crushed (about 1 1/4 cups crumbs)
 - 1/4 cup sugar
 - 1/2 cup butter, melted

- Filling:**
- 2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened
 - 1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
 - 3/4 cup creamy peanut butter
 - 1/4 cup heavy whipping cream
 - 2 eggs
 - 1/2 cup chocolate syrup

Preheat oven to 350°F. Mix graham cracker crumbs, sugar and butter together. Press crumbs into the bottom of a 9-inch spring form pan.

In large mixing bowl, blend cream cheese, sweetened condensed milk, peanut butter and whipping cream until smooth and creamy. Add eggs one at a time until blended. Pour batter into spring form pan. Drizzle chocolate syrup over the top of batter. Run a knife through the batter to swirl the chocolate syrup. Bake for 45 to 50 minutes.

Cool in pan for 10 minutes. Run a knife around the edge of pan to loosen cake. Remove spring form pan. Allow to cool completely. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Graham Snack Bars

- 1 bag (11 ounces) caramel bits
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 9 whole graham crackers
- 1 cup roasted peanuts
- 1 cup miniature marshmallows
- 1 cup pretzels, broken into large pieces
- 1/2 cup chocolate syrup

In a microwave safe bowl, microwave caramel bits and milk on high for 2 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds until melted.

Line bottom of 13 x 9-inch baking pan with foil. Place graham crackers in bottom of pan, breaking into smaller pieces when necessary to completely cover pan. Pour caramel mixture over the top of the graham crackers. Layer with peanuts, marshmallows and pretzels. Drizzle chocolate sauce on top. Allow to cool before cutting into bars.

MORE sweet ways to save

- Always check the weekly circulars in the local paper. Shop the specials and stock up.
- Plan out menus for the week and make a list. This keeps impulse buying to a minimum.
- Never shop hungry. People tend to buy more of what they don't need when their stomachs are rumbling.
- Plan for leftovers. Choose recipes that can be easily doubled, then freeze one half for another meal. Or, use the leftovers from one recipe as ingredients for another meal. For example, leftover taco ingredients can be combined into a great taco salad.

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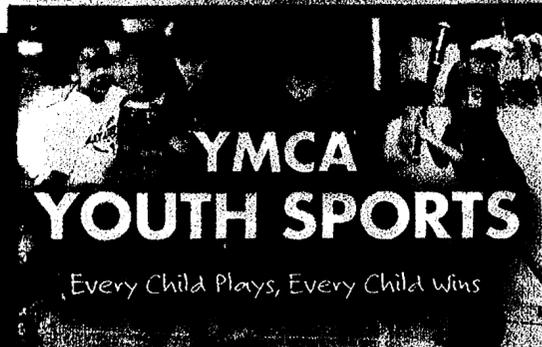
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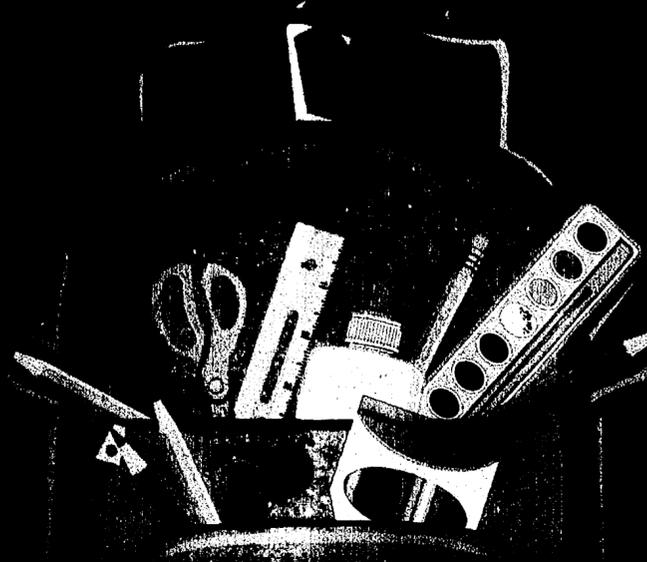
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July 25 is Summer Splash Day at Buhr Park Pool, 2-4:30 p.m. Games, contests and more. Regular admission rates apply.

farmers market b-day
Join us Aug. 8 to celebrate the 90th birthday of the Ann Arbor Farmers Market. Don't miss the celebration and the ice cream.

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- FREE GOLF! Kids 17 and under play for free every Sunday night at Huron Hills Golf Course (with a paid golfer) after 3 p.m.
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Chelsea Sounds & Sights Preview: July 30

By Marci Parker Darwin
Special Writer

The bands playing at Chelsea's Sounds & Sights on July 30 include a few Thursday night veterans and a few newcomers to the popular Chelsea event.

"Bigfoot Bob" (Bob Schultz) began taking piano lessons at the age of 10, but unlike some youngsters, he developed a love of music and kept it up. He added saxophone to the mix and played in his junior high school dance band. In high school, he began to learn songs by ear rather than sheet music. As a teenager, he had an appreciation for music from the 30's and 40's as well as rock and roll.

Schultz played in an R & B band in high school, and then played piano, sax and sang in nightclubs. In 1967, he got a job playing on the road with Bob Seger and toured with The Seger System for three years. You can hear him on "Ramblin Gambler Man" or "Heavy Music" playing those classic licks on the organ. He then moved to New York, where he studied music theory and composition privately while still working in nightclubs. In 1973, he moved back to Michigan and began recording with several artists. He felt fortunate to have worked with the late Jerry Glassel for more than 20 years. "Bigfoot," from Jackson, plays solo or with his band, the Toe Tappers.

The Motor City Outlaws, out of Saline, have been playing together for more than 15 years. They play a balance of American classics in rock, pop and country from the 1950's to the 1990's. Vocal harmonies are the band's forte, followed closely by some experienced string

Rare Earth plays Chelsea tonight

Motown legends Rare Earth are coming to Chelsea for an all-ages benefit concert at 7 tonight.

The show will be held under cover behind the Common Grill Restaurant. The Howling Diablos will open the event which is sponsored by Chelsea State Bank and the Chelsea District Library.

General admission tickets are \$35 in advance (\$40 at the gate), available at select Chelsea retailers. Special \$100 VIP tickets are available and include preferred seating, complimentary beverages, a private pre-show reception with Rare Earth and more. Tickets by phone at 734-433-2787, or online at www.chelseacentralfestivals.com. The Common Grill Restaurant is located at 112 S. Main Street.

Beer and wine are available with wrist band. For more information, call 734-433-2787 or go to www.chelseacentralfestivals.com. All proceeds go to Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights music series.



players on lead guitar, rhythm guitar and bass guitar.

Band members Rob, Mike, Lonnie, and Roger cite their musical influences from a diverse group including Stevie Ray Vaughn, Eric Clapton, John Cougar Mellencamp, Wayne Jennings, Alabama, Hank Williams Jr., Eagles, Beach Boys, Ted Nugent, Kid Rock and Van Halen. They can be seen again on August 13th, 20th and 27th.

Small Town Son's songs are all about the people, from grass roots blue collar to country southern rock. The life blood of Small Town Son is in the honest, every man's songwriting and melodies that any person can relate to. Lead vocal, guitarist and songwriter Kris Hitchcock, from Grass Lake, has been playing in bands and writing songs since he was 13. Joining Hitchcock on stage is Dan Anspaugh on bass guitar and vocals.

With a background ranging from metal to acoustic rock, and the ability to play nearly any instrument with strings, Ian Szaranski plays guitar and adds his perfect harmonies

to the sound. Ben "Big Ben" Crites provides the backbone for the band on drums.

Wayward Roots is a blue-grass band from the Ann Arbor area, with Alan Barnosky on upright bass, Evan Childress on fiddle, Todd Lang on guitar, David Mosher on mandolin, and Tony Pace playing the dobro.

The Jammin' Grammas features three hammered dulcimer players and a fiddle player. The retiree members are from west Lenawee County and include Ann Wassell, Alice Podczervinski, Joan Weaver and Diane Stevens.

Chelsea rock band The Tryouts are Michael Bowdish, Sr. on lead guitar, Michael Bowdish, Jr. on drums, Bob DeWolf on bass and backup vocals, Willem VanReesma on lead guitar and Jason Wickman on lead vocals. They play everything from the early 60's through today - rock, country, R&B, soul - "anything with a sound that will make the body move and groove!"

Also performing next week will be local alternative rock band NACL.

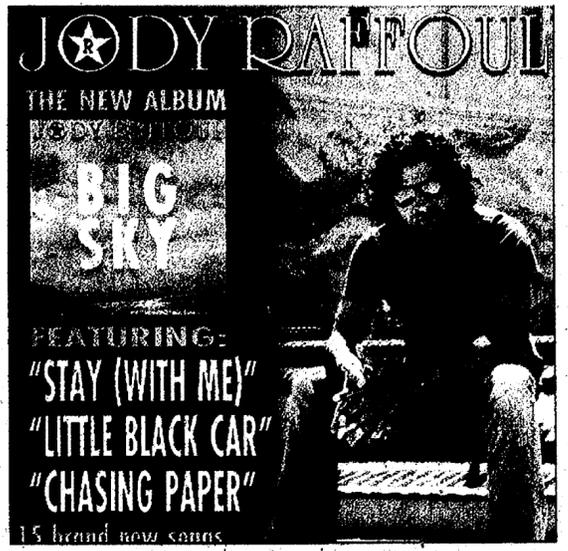
Dexter Raffoul playing Dexter Gazebo tomorrow

Jody Raffoul, a two-time Detroit Music Award winner, will perform from 6 to 8 p.m. tomorrow at the Dexter Gazebo as part of the Dexter Summer Music Series. The event is sponsored by the Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce.

"The Dexter Summer Music Series is excited to present a huge national act from the Detroit area," said Tom Diab, one of the organizers.

Raffoul has toured with musical acts such as Collective Soul, Kid Rock, Blues Traveler, Richard Marx, Nickelback, The Counting Crows and Joe Cocker. He performs more than 200 shows a year and is at home in a small club or the big stage. His signature voice and compassionate stage presence has been described as a mix of Bono and Bruce Springsteen.

Raffoul became the National winner of the 2006 Bon Jovi "Have a Nice Gig" contest, hand-picked and announced personally by Jon Bon Jovi and Richie Sambora. He went on to open a sold out show at Giants Stadium in Bon Jovi's home state, New Jersey, alongside fellow Canadians, Nickelback. "Big Sky" is Raffoul's first national U.S. album release and is composed of songs about life's ups and downs and his "sky's the limit" attitude toward life.



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To make a donation, bring NEW school supplies to any United Bank & Trust office from now through August 28. Cash contributions are also being collected at any United banking office.

Some suggested items include:

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- Highlighters, colored pencils, markers
- Calculators - regular, solar-powered, scientific
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- Protractors, rulers, compasses
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Walberg seeks to reclaim U.S. House seat

Republican Tim Walberg said last week he will run to reclaim his former seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Walberg, of Tipton, was Michigan's 7th District House representative for one term before losing in November to Democrat Mark Schauer.

"The last election was about change," Walberg said last Tuesday. "And I think the American public and the 7th District voted for change, but the changes they're seeing right now are not the changes they voted for."

He said Schauer's votes in support of the American Clean Energy and Security Act and a major appropriations bill unnecessarily increased the size of government and promoted him to announce his candidacy.

"The election is a ways away, but now is the time that serious candidates get involved," he said.

The Republican party is glad to see Walberg back.

"Mark Schauer has done nothing over the past six months to help avoid the rematch he now faces from Tim Walberg," said Paul Lindsay, NRCC spokesman. "Whether it was Schauer's vote for a stimulus that isn't working or his blind support for Speaker (Nancy) Pelosi's job-killing National Energy Tax, middle-class families in south central Michigan have yet to see a return on their investment."

U.S. Congressman John Dingell, D-Michigan, and Mark Schauer, D-District 7, announced Monday that Washtenaw County will receive \$2,220,242 in Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), and \$1,685,812 in federal HOME funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This award is in addition to the \$308,567 in CDBG funding Washtenaw County received earlier this year through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.



Schauer

"Especially in times such as these, making sure that families have affordable housing options is paramount," said Dingell. "While the current recession has hit Michigan hardest, these grants will help us to rebuild deteriorating neighborhoods and make sure people aren't forced out of their homes. Congressman Schauer and I strongly support this type of government assistance and applaud the social and economic benefits it will bring to our otherwise suffering communities."

The CDBG program works to

ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses.

"This funding will offer a much-needed boost to the local economy and help those hit hardest by the economic crisis," said Schauer. "By rebuilding our neighborhoods and making sure more families have a roof over their heads, we can lay the foundation for an economic recovery and put people back to work."

Funds may be used for a wide range of purposes which include, but are not limited to: assisting businesses carry out economic development and job creation activities; rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures; construction of public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes; activities relating to energy conservation and renewable energy resources; and relocation and demolition.

The HOME program helps to expand the supply of decent, affordable housing to low- and very low-income families by providing grants to States and local governments to fund housing

programs that meet local needs and priorities.

Stabenow on Trade Enforcement

U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, D-Michigan, last week made the following statement announcing her trade enforcement legislation and reacting to Ambassador Ron Kirk's speech regarding new trade enforcement initiatives.

"I applaud today's remarks by Ambassador Kirk that highlight the Administration's efforts to enforce our trade agreements,

and I urge the ambassador to hold more countries that violate these agreements accountable. We must stop currency manipulation and bring an end to unfair subsidies that force our businesses to close and put Americans out of work. We have been put at a competitive disadvantage for too long and cannot wait any longer for real action."

"That's why I am introducing legislation that will provide the Administration with additional personnel and resources necessary to identify and prosecute countries that cheat."

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CALENDAR

Area calendar of events

Chelsea

Purple Rose
The Purple Rose Theatre Company presents the world premiere comedy "Wake" by Carey Crim this summer. The production will enjoy an 11-week engagement through Saturday, Aug. 29. Regular performances for the duration of the engagement are Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. All performances are held at The Purple Rose Theatre Company, 137 Park Street, Chelsea.

Art Meets Business
Network with musicians, writers, artists, dancers, actors, arts instructors, and other creative types who want to enhance the business side of their enterprises. Art Meets Business (AMB), a new program of the Chelsea Center for the Arts, is designed to help creative people in and around Chelsea master marketing, the use of technology, and other critical skills. There is one more session, at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 12 at Chelsea Gallery, 115 S. Main St., Chelsea. They are free and open to the public. For more information, (734) 433-2787.

Chelsea District Library
For more information, call 475-8732.

Tomorrow: Guitar Hero/Rock Band; 3:30 p.m.; KidSpot; Drop-in; Drama Week; 1 p.m., McKune; SummerFest at noon, lawn; Teen Film Making Workshop; 1 p.m. KidSpot.
Saturday: Drama Week; 10 a.m., McKune; Teen Film Making Workshop, noon in KidSpot.
July 28: Music Together; 11 a.m.; McKune; Registration. "Music Together" is a research-based

music program for preschoolers. Classes are based on the recognition that all children are musical and can learn to sing in tune, keep a beat and participate with confidence in music. Limited to 15 children with adult.
July 29: Library Idol Extravaganza 12 p.m.; Library lawn; Registration. Display your talents at the end of our Summer Reading Program. Sign up for one of our five-minute spots at

Library Idol! Karaoke machine and microphone available. The audience votes for their favorites and all performers win a prize. After watching or performing, have fun with games & crafts and other activities on the lawn.
July 29: Makin' Music at 2 p.m.; All ages. Join Bill Donahue and his MIDI-Digital Band as he plays synthesizers, guitar, viola and violin, combining the latest technology and contemporary music. Everyone will sing, play and have a great time Makin' Music!

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.; Wii 10 a.m.; Euchre 10 a.m.; Quilting 10 a.m.; Exercise with Kelle 10:30 a.m.
Monday: Bingo 9 a.m.; Paint with Steve 9:30 a.m.; Hand & Foot 10 a.m.; Exercise 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday: Crafts 10 a.m.; Wood Carving 10 a.m.; Big Brain Fitness 10:30 Stuffed Cabbage lunch at noon; Euchre 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday: Ping Pong 9 a.m.; Enhanced Fitness Kick-Off 10 a.m.; Pinochle 10 a.m.; Meatloaf lunch at noon.
Thursday: Enhanced Fitness 8:30 a.m.; Computer Club 10 a.m.; Ham lunch at noon; Chelsea Area Bridge 12:15 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. The following are a few of the summer camps offered by the CCA:
August: Youngest Artist, Ceramic Garden Ornaments, Drama, Multicultural Art, Clay, Ancient Art Attack: Discover Vesuvius, Ancient Art Attack: Discover Vesuvius, Painting

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Artistic
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Dexter Senior Center
7720 Ann Arbor Street. Call (734) 426-7737. Lunches are complete - main dish listed Monday: 8:30 a.m. swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:30 - Walking; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 - Lunch - Polish sausage.
Tuesday: 10 a.m. - 12 - Rug Hookers; 11 a.m. - Tai Chi- 11:30 Lunch - Chicken Caesar Salad; noon - Spanish; 1 - French..
Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. Swimming, Wylie Pool; 9 a.m. Medicare Assistance, 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 - Lunch - Salisbury steak and gravy; 1 p.m. - German.
Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Euchre; 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Knitting Club; 11:30 - Lunch - baked cod fish; 12:30 Scrabble or bridge, 1 p.m. - Mah Jongg.
Friday, July 31 - 8:30 a.m. - Swimming, Wylie Pool; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 a.m. Lunch - Cheeseburger.

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.
Tomorrow: 11 a.m. Dan the Creature Man presents his "Creature Feature" educational live animal program for all ages on the lower level.
Saturday: 1-4 p.m. Drop-in Wii Sports and Snacks for ages 10 and up
Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Drop-in crafts for all ages
Thursday, July 30: 1-3 p.m. Coffee House open mic for teens. Read a poem, story, perform a song or just relax and enjoy. Lower level. Refreshments.
Friday, July 31: 11 a.m. Summer Reading Program Wrap-Up Party "Ming the Magnificent" Magic Show for all ages on the lower level. Refreshments
Friday, July 31: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Summer Reading Program Wrap-Up Pizza Party for Teens with D.J. Jelly on the lower level.

Eddy Discovery Center: Waterico
For more information, call the Eddy Discovery Center at 734-475-3170.
Tomorrow: 11 a.m., ENDANGERED SPECIES. What are Michigan's "at risk species"? Why are they endangered and what can we do to help them?
Saturday: 11 a.m., MASSASAUGA RATTLESNAKE. Learn about Michigan's only venomous snake, and view a film featuring this shy and uncommon reptile.
Wednesday: 11 a.m., WHAT'S IN A SEED? Seeds are quite remarkable! Find out how they are dispersed, and plant a seed to take home.
Thursday, July 30: 11 a.m., PETOSKEY STONE POLISHING. Polish your own state stone with the help of staff geologist, as she

shares the Petskey stone's history during this fun and interesting activity.
Friday, July 31: 11 a.m., ALIEN INVADERS. Our habitats in Michigan and around the world are greatly threatened by invasive, non-native species such as autumn olive and zebra mussels. Learn about these troublesome species, and what you can do to help stop the invasion.
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.
Aug. 1: 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. Fee is \$2. Call (734) 426-8211 to pre-register.

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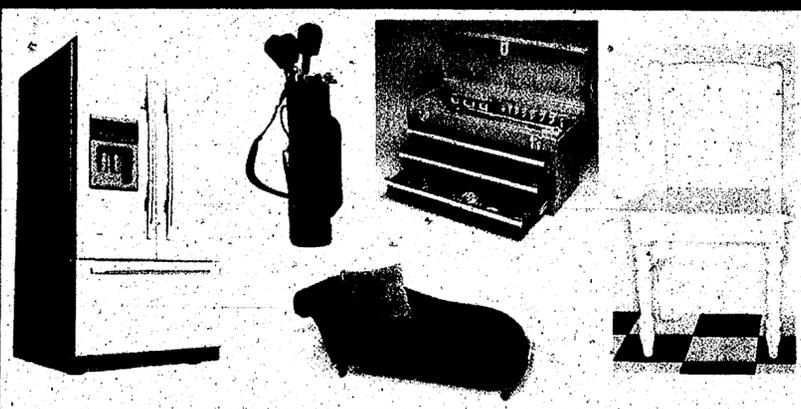
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Everyone is welcome in the Food Court before 9 p.m., after 9 p.m. only those 21 and over will be admitted. Children 12 and younger are free; ages 13-20 are \$3, and the cost is \$5 for those 21 and over.

"The Chelsea SummerFest has created a venue that performers really enjoy," said entertainment chairman Gary Munce. "A big part of that are the great music fans in the community. This has really helped in putting together the fantastic lineup we have this year."

"This year's lineup has great artists, and the kicker is that the music is a rich mix of several genres - rockabilly to ska to R&B. This may be the greatest \$5 ticket you will ever buy."

Main Stage Entertainment

Friday, July 24

5 to 8:30 p.m.

Kentucky Chrome

Kentucky Chrome will kick things off at 5 p.m. Friday for 90 minutes of rockabilly music and more. This indie group from Toledo, Ohio is a roots rock combo, heavily influenced by American music of the '50s and '60s.

Featuring lead vocalist Dan Mulholland, along with Marc Gray, Lance Hulsey, Heath "Junior" Matzkows and Dave Roof, the band plays gems from artists like Johnny Horton, Gary U.S. Bonds and Johnny Cash.

7 to 8:30 p.m.

Billy Mack and the Juke Joint Johnnies

More Rockabilly music rocks the night with this popular indie group from the Metro Detroit area playing Rockabilly, Country and high-energy Americana roots music, influenced by the likes of Elvis, Bobby Darin, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny Cash, Hank Williams, Chris Isaak, The Stray Cats, The Beatles, the Righteous Brothers and Ray Charles.

9 to 11 p.m.

Trilogy

Get set for two incredible hours of oldies, Motown, classic rock, rock, and country — everything from Duke Ellington to Collective Soul and everything in-between.

The six band members, who have played thousands of performances, play multiple instruments.

Saturday, July 25

1 to 4 p.m.

Center Stage

Young musical artists from Chelsea will rock the main stage, featuring Dr. Dwayne and the Bad Boys from Spain, and The Fred Vanreesema Review.

5 to 6:30 p.m.

The NoteWorthy Band

NoteWorthy's style is a fusion of old-school and new and appeals to a wide spectrum of tastes. Whether they are playing a bluesy rendition of a classic hit or an original creation, NoteWorthy keeps it raw, intense and real.

Detroit native Shiba Palmer provides lead vocals, combining R&B, jazz, blues and rock into a soulful blend. Her big voice and larger-than-life stage persona have taken her to Philadelphia's Neo-soul and house music circuits and jazz scenes in Detroit and Germany.

7 to 8:30 p.m.

Hullabaloo

Hullabaloo is an Ann Arbor-based music collective producing original rock music blended with Latin rhythms and performing with up to 12 members.

Since 1999, the Hullabaloo experience has been an upbeat, semi-chaotic showcase of musical expression, blending Afro-Caribbean rhythms and a swinging horn section with original punky ska rock.

Hullabaloo has performed regularly over the past decade at nightclubs, festivals and municipal events throughout the Midwest.

9 to 11 p.m.

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Friday

Sidewalk Sales

9 a.m. - 8 p.m.: Local Merchants

KidZone

(behind the Chelsea Clock Tower)

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

3 Generations Balloon Twisters

11 a.m.

Bike Course Sponsored by Aberdeen Bike and Outdoors

11:30 a.m.

Hair braiding

1 p.m.

Colors the Clown

2 p.m.

Gym America (subject to change)

Chelsea Teddy Bear Factory

Tours: 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m.

Free appraisals by Toy Museum curator Ken Yenke: 2 to 5 p.m.

Throughout the entire day:

- Chelsea Robotics Club demonstrations
- Huge Bounce Zone - open until evening
- Chelsea Fire Dept. with the "Smoker"
- Chelsea Police Dept. featuring the Chelsea Police K9 unit.
- Simple and fun crafts

Classic Car Show

Sponsored by Chelsea Car Club

4 to 8 p.m.

East Middle and adjacent streets

Local Eats and Treats

10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Various local food vendors

5 to 10 p.m.

Food and beverages in the Food & Entertainment Court

Musical Entertainment

(located at the Food & Entertainment Court Main Stage)

5 to 6:30 p.m.

Kentucky Chrome

7 to 8:30 p.m.

Billie Mack and the Juke Joint Johnnies

9 to 11 p.m.

Trilogy

Saturday

Sidewalk Sales

9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Local Merchants

KidZone

(behind the Chelsea Clock Tower)

10 a.m.

Pet Parade at Farmers Supply, Jackson Street

10:30 a.m.

Colors the Clown

11 a.m.

Bike Course sponsored by Aberdeen Bike and Outdoors

11:30 a.m.

Hair braiding

1 p.m.

John the Magician

2 p.m.

Gym America (subject to change)

3 p.m.

Gemini

Chelsea Teddy Bear Factory

Tours: 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m.

Free appraisals by Toy Museum curator Ken Yenke: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Ongoing events throughout the day:

- Chelsea Robotics Club demonstrations
- Huge Bounce Zone - open until evening
- Simple and fun crafts

A complete schedule for **KIDZONE** will be available at the TreeHouse.

Local Eats and Treats

10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Various local food vendors

5 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Food & Beverages in the Food & Entertainment Court

Musical Entertainment

(located at the Food & Entertainment Court Main Stage)

1 to 4 p.m.

Center Stage

5 - 6:30 p.m.

The NoteWorthy Band

7 to 8:30 p.m.

Hullabaloo

9 to 11 p.m.

Fifty Amp Fuse

Food Vendors

Located in the Entertainment Court Main Stage.



Pet parade loses longtime leader

By Marsi Parker Darwin

A fixture at the Chelsea Summerfest Pet Parade and later the Chelsea Community Fair parade, Tom Turkey will be sadly missed this year.

His owner, Beckie Riecks, purchased Tom and his mate Pilgrim at Chelsea Farmer's Supply in the spring of 2000. At that time, The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy classified Royal Palm turkeys as "rare." The breed is currently making a strong comeback on small farms, and the status has risen to "watch," the highest priority of conservation. Royal Palm turkeys have very showy plumage. They are white with a sharply contrasting black edging on the feathers. The tail is pure white, with each feather having a band of black and an edge of white.

Tom was hand-raised and handled two or three times every day, so he grew to be an extremely personable turkey. Tom and Pilgrim earned Champion Poultry ribbons at the 2003 Chelsea Community Fair.

Over the years, Tom became a local celebrity. He loved adoration from people of all ages, and enjoyed showing off his beautiful feathers, strutting back and forth and making a distinctive clicking and purring noise.

He was not only a regular participant at the annual Chelsea Fair Parade and Grand Marshall for the Chelsea Summerfest Pet Parade, he made appearances at Back School in Ann Arbor and at the Chelsea Library the week before Thanksgiving.

He was exactly 18 years of age on the coldest night of this past winter and will be missed this summer and for years to come.

Two summer movies worth the price of the ticket

By Ryan Michaels
Staff Writer

I am Ryan Michaels, a 12-year-old movie fanatic from Ann Arbor who loves writing reviews as much as watching movies. Below is my take on "Public Enemies" and "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince."

Director Michael Mann has made a career out of making stylish action epics with great shootouts and interesting characters. "Public Enemies" is no doubt stylish, it no doubt has great shootouts, but the characters are a bit flat.

There's no real character development during the 150-minute running time. The film simply shows a year-long view into the final year of infamous 1930s bank robber John Dillinger's life. He is portrayed as cold, precise and mechanical, but the film is made quite differently.

It's loose and swift in execution and feel, partially because of the handheld cameras used to film it, partially because of the mostly banjo and roots-oriented soundtrack. This gives the film an uneven feeling, given the large contrast between the subject matter and the handling of the subject matter.

The film is set in 1933, starting when Dillinger breaks out his gang members out of prison. Dillinger travels the country, looting tons of money from banks along the way in a yearlong crime spree. He becomes something of a hero to the country. At this time, FBI agent Melvin Purvis (Christian Bale) has been assigned to capture Dillinger, by any means necessary.

Johnny Depp, who plays Dillinger, shows the eccentricity of most of his roles when a low-



Excitement!
Thrills!
Chills!

By Ryan Michaels

There are four cars outside packed with armed federal agents. The results are classic, worthy of the best scenes in Sergio Leone's "The Good, The Bad and the Ugly" and director Michael Mann's own "Heat."

"Public Enemies" is a well-acted, gorgeously shot crime film with some great action and one or two scenes that are simply unforgettable. It's a bit uneven and has some pacing issues, but that's easily forgiven. If only every summer film was this good.

I give it an "A" rating.

'Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince'

"Harry Potter" no longer lives in the light-headed, PG fluff fantasy world that he occupied in the early Potter films. As the very first shot of the film suggests simply by its color palette, this film is rather bleak. It centers on the raging hormones of the teenagers at the magical academy, but also builds a feeling of dread for the inevitable confrontation with the evil Lord Voldemort.

Another thing the film gets right is that it displays flashbacks to when he was a young, troubled-although-brilliant wizard. "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" is a blend of compelling drama, comedic relief, and the characters that we have grown to love over eight years, Harry, Ron and Hermione.

Love is in the air at Hogwarts, wrecking friendships along with

it. The school's headmaster, Dumbledore, who faced death with Harry the previous year, wants Harry to retrieve a memory from a teacher that could help them defeat Voldemort.

Lots of names and places named in that summary likely will be hard to understand for those unfamiliar with Potter. Although all the Potter die-hards know that a strong suit of the series is how it juggles different characters, places, spells and stories and remains coherent.

Since we have practically watched these actors grow up, "Half-Blood Prince" really makes you realize what an achievement in filming this series of books is. Not just simply all the action sequences, sets and such, but making you care for these people—even so much as a minor character like Hagrid or Neville.

Throughout all the different directors the series has employed, the characters develop and progress over time without it seeming arbitrary. The actors are all

getting better and better. This is the first film since "Prisoner of Azkaban" to really focus primarily on the emotions of the characters, instead of events they are put through. Not just relationship troubles (and there are many), but troubles accepting who they are and what they inevitably must do. I give it an "A" rating.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that there will be a Special Meeting of the Loch Alpine Sanitary Authority of the Townships of Webster and Scio. The meeting will be regarding sewer/water rates and will be held on:

August 3 at 7:00 PM
At the
Webster Township Hall
5685 Webster Church Road
Dexter, MI 48130

July 20, 2009
Neil Gerl, Chairman
Loch Alpine Sanitary Authority
Publish July 23 & 30, 2009

NOTICE

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday, July 28, 2009
AT 7:00 P.M.
AT
DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD.
DEXTER, MI. 48130

- AGENDA
- 1) Hanover Glen, Final Site Plan for Consideration of Extension
 - 2) Dexter Township Estates, Final Site Plan for Consideration of Extension
 - 3) Review Master Plan
 - 4) Review Zoning Ordinance Amendments 34-7

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Weekly Ministerial Message Jesus' talk: Literal or figurative?

By Mark Porinsky

Years ago I was speaking with a pastor from another church body about how literal the Bible is. He brought up Jesus' words about a rich man and a poor beggar named Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31. In these words Jesus states that the rich man ends up in hell, in agony in a fire, and the poor beggar ends up in "Abraham's bosom," meaning heaven. The pastor claimed that Jesus didn't necessarily believe in hell; Jesus was simply referring to the commonly held beliefs of the time to make His point about how important it is to care for the poor.

Would that be honest, though? Even though I realize that, in Bible times, Mideastern ways of speaking and describing events and facts were different from those of the western world today, it's impossible for me to believe that Jesus could speak the way He did about hell if hell was not real. Admittedly, many of the things Jesus, and the Bible in general, talk about, are beyond our ability to comprehend fully. I think especially of the Bible's descriptions of Judgment Day, and the glories of heaven. There's no doubt the Bible often describes spiritual and eternal matters in terms that we

can grasp a bit more easily. There is also no doubt that the Bible often uses parables, and other figurative and symbolic language, to help us relate to spiritual matters. The entire book of Revelation is a highly symbolic vision, as is half of Daniel and portions of many other books; people can go astray when they try to find exact meanings where God intended to give only general impressions. At the same time, however, when the Bible presents something as history and fact, we have to accept it as such. Examples would include the first chapters of Genesis on the creation and early history of the

world and the flood of Noah's time, as well as all the miracles of the Bible: Jonah being swallowed by a fish, the miracles of Moses and Elijah and Elisha, and the miracles of Jesus and the Apostles. After the second time Jesus told His disciples that He was going to be killed and rise from the dead, the Bible informs us that the disciples were "discussing what 'rising from the dead' meant" (Mark 9:10). They were looking for a figurative meaning, but Jesus meant it quite literally: His body was going to come alive and come out of the grave after He was dead. We are not to take something symbolically when

the Bible intends it to be taken literally. Such a literal meaning applies to the existence of hell, and, thank God, also applies to our own resurrection from the dead. It's not just a nice way of talking, when the Bible assures us that our bodies will come out of the graves. There will literally be a day when we will rise from the dead, and believers in Jesus will live with Him forever, in both body and soul. Mark Porinsky is the pastor at Faith Lutheran Church, 9575 North Territorial Road in Dexter. The Web site is www.faithdexter.org.



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Madison Marable, a senior at Chelsea High School, will be attending the Bachelor of Fine Art Portfolio Prep program at the University of Michigan School of Art & Design July 26 through Aug. 1.

Rebecca Reesman, a 2005 Chelsea High School graduate, received her bachelor's degree from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. Becca earned a dual degree in physics and statistics with honors.

Valparaiso University at commencement ceremonies in May. Many students were honored for academic achievement. Those graduating Cum Laude earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.4. Hagen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing and Cum Laude honors.

Goshen College recently recognized 243 students, including Chelsea's Elizabeth M. Gunden, for excellence in academics, on the 2008-09 spring semester Dean's List. Gunden, daughter of Burdette and Charlotte Gunden of Chelsea, is a sophomore studying art at Goshen College. She graduated from Chelsea High School in 2007 and attends Shalom Community Church.

The Dean's List includes students earning at least a 3.75 GPA, while completing at least 12 hours of course-work for a letter grade.

Chelsea's Charles Downer, Augustus Syrov and Ian Shears along with Dexter's Robert Chapman and Leavitt Aneta were named to the Dean's List at Siena Heights University for the winter semester 2009.

Dexter's Alissa Hagen satisfied graduation requirements and received her degree from

The Lima Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on July 13, 2009 and opened with the Pledge to the Flag. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees Laler and McKenzie and Zoning Administrator Frisinger. Also present several residents and guests.

The Public Hearing on the Proposed Blight Prevention Ordinance, having been noticed in the Chelsea Standard and Dexter Leader on July 2, 2009, was called to order. Concerns of the public were noted.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:30 p.m. and the regular session was called to order.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2009 Regular Meeting, June 28, and July 6, Special Meetings as submitted. Motion carried.

Public Comment was received.

The Treasurer's report was received. Zoning Administrator issued permits for 3 new homes and 5 decks.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler that the Township Board authorize, the Ad-Hoc Facilities Committee,

to spend no more than \$500.00 per month in accordance with the agreement to upgrade the cemetery. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-06 was proposed by Bareis supported by Laler to adopt the proposed Blight Prevention Ordinance #25, with modifications as noted. Ayes: Bareis, McKenzie, Laler, Havens and Unterbrink. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Unterbrink moved to put forth the name of Greg McKenzie as representative to CACA, supported by Laler. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to authorize the Clerk to complete the Washtenaw County Road Commission Capital Improvements Program survey/project list, noting the two bridges that are out and the North Fletcher Road upgrade. Motion carried.

Motion by Laler supported by Unterbrink to pay bills as presented plus normal utility bills as they occur. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ariene R. Bareis, Clerk Publish July 23, 2009

NOTICE OF ADOPTION Lima Township 11452 Jackson Road

The Lima Township Board has adopted Ordinance #25, Blight Prevention.

Section 1. Purpose The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the residents of Lima Township by preventing, reducing or eliminating blight or potential blight in the Township through the prevention or elimination of certain environmental causes of blight or blighting factors, which exist or which may exist in the Township in the future.

Section 2. Definitions Unless otherwise defined in this section all words, terms and phrases shall be construed to be defined in accordance with the enabling acts under which this article is adopted or in accordance with PA No. 300 of 1949 (MCL 257.1 et seq., MSAB 1801 et seq.).

Section 3. Causes of Blight and Blighting No person shall maintain or permit to be maintained any of the causes

of blight or blighting factors upon any property in the Township, owned, leased, rented or occupied by such person except when such uses of property may be permitted by, or be incidental to carrying out any business or occupation authorized by the Zoning Ordinance of Lima Township.

Section 4. Enforcement and Penalties This ordinance shall be enforced by such persons who shall be so designated by the Township Board.

Section 5. Effective Date and Adoption This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its publication as required by law.

Complete copies of Ordinance #25, Blight Prevention are available at the Lima Township Office for inspection and distribution to the public. The Lima Township Hall is located at 11452 Jackson Road. Business hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

Ariene R. Bareis Lima Township Clerk Publish July 23, 2009

NOTICE OF SECOND HEARING Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners Proposed Special Assessment Roll

TAKE NOTICE that this Board's Second Order of Determination that the paving of Wing Drive and Harold Circle in the Township of Scio, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is necessary for the benefit of the public welfare and convenience has become its Final Order of Determination by reason of the fact that no petition for reconsideration was filed as provided in Act 248 of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a Special Assessment Roll has been prepared for the purpose of apportioning the percent of benefits to be paid by the owners of parcels of land in Special Assessment District Number 1 created for the purpose of assessing the cost of said paving improvement.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Special Assessment District Number 1 consists of the following described property: Wing Meadows Subdivision, being a part of Section 16, Scio Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, Lots 1 to 32 inclusive.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Special Assessment Roll is on file in the office of this Board and available for public examination by all interested parties.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at this hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal if an appeal should be desired. A property owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment of any file his or her appearance by letter delivered to

the Board of Road Commissioners by 3:00 p.m., on August 3, 2009 and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. The property owner or any person having an interest in the property subject to the proposed special assessments may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the State Tax Tribunal within thirty days of the confirmation of the special assessment roll if that special assessment was protested at this hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with the provisions of Act 248, of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended, and other applicable statutes of the State of Michigan, a hearing will be held on August 4, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, at the office of the Washtenaw County Road Commission, 555 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the purpose of reviewing said Special Assessment Roll and hearing objections, if any, to the proposed apportionment of benefits.

The Washtenaw County Road Commission will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes or printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the Public Hearing upon seven (7) business days notice to the Washtenaw County Road Commission. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Carrie Ryan at 734-327-6874, via email at: cryan@wrcroads.org or in writing via FAX at 734-761-3239, or via US Mail at: Washtenaw County Road Commission, 555 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108.

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHTENAW Publish July 23 & 30, 2009

July 7, 2009

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

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

Also present: Jeff & Mary Gunnis, Judy Slocum, Mike Jurosek, Tom and Dawn Caplis, Hank Schoch, Corrine Sikorski.

The meeting was called to order and the pledge recited.

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

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

No Public Hearings.

No Public Participation.

The report from Zoning Inspector Caplis showed 3 zoning compliance permits, 13 enforcement actions and 2 Certificate of Occupancy for June 2009. Caplis further explained the Enforcement Actions specifically stating that he has checked the American Legion 13 times in the past month upon receiving a complaint that there were too many boats being launched at this site. There appears to be no violation at this time.

Representative gave an update on the Chelsea District Library.

Corrine Sikorski reported on WWRRA, the commercial businesses have agreed to pay for the cardboard collection and there will not be special assessment.

Supervisor Lange reported the County will be assessing \$1.75 on the Winter Tax bill to stimulate and encourage the economy in Washtenaw County.

Treasurer Grau reported on the financial situation of CACA and the recent cut backs.

Trustees Lesser reported concern over the State Police not getting back up from Chelsea Police.

Trustees Cooper had questions on the CACA finances.

No Old Business.

New Business:

Principles of Governance was presented by MTA and signed by all Board members.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to approve the updated Fee Schedule. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Grau to approve David Jorgensen as the Alternate Zoning Enforcement Officer. Carried.

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Grau to adjourn.

LuAnn S. Koch Sylvan Township Clerk Publish July 23, 2009

Ord. No. 164

Adopted July 14, 2009.

CITY PROPERTY SALE ORDINANCE

An ordinance adopted pursuant to Chelsea City Charter, #13.2, to provide for the sale of City owned real and personal property.

THE CITY OF CHELSEA ORDAINS:

Section 1. Purchasing Agent

The City Manager, or other such person(s) as the Manager may designate, shall act as the Purchasing Agent(s) of the City.

Section 2. Sale of Real and Personal Property

Whenever any City owned real property is no longer needed for corporate or public purposes, the same may be offered for sale. Personal property not exceeding \$5,000.00 in value may be sold for cash by the purchasing agent upon approval of the City Manager after receiving quotations or competitive bids therefore for the best price obtainable. Real or Personal property with a value in excess of \$5,000.00 may be sold after advertising and receiving competitive bids and after

approval of the sale has been given by the City council.

Section 3. Real Estate Appraisals

The City shall not sell any real property or any interest therein unless the City council first receives an appraisal report concerning the fair market value of the real estate interest transferred. The appraisal report must be prepared by a qualified, independent real estate appraiser in accordance with instructions given by the City.

The qualifications of the appraiser shall include an appropriate designation from a recognized professional appraiser organization such as: "The Society of Real Estate Appraisers" and "The Institute of Real Estate Appraisers."

Section 4. Restrictions on power to sell or lease real property and limitations of council powers

The City may not sell any park or cemetery or any part thereof unless approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon at any general or special election as required by MCL 117.5 (3e).

the limitations on the power of the City council as set forth in Chapter XIII, Chelsea City Charter.

Section 5. Severability

In the event that any provisions or section of the within Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or unenforceable for any reason, such provisions or section shall be severed from this Ordinance and the remaining provisions shall be enforceable without respect to the severed and unenforceable provision or section.

Section 6. Prior ordinances

The within Ordinance hereby amends and supersedes all prior ordinances to the extent of any inconsistency with this Ordinance.

Section 7. Effective date

The within Ordinance shall be effective twenty (20) days after adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above Ordinance was adopted by the City of Chelsea on the 14 of July, 2009. The above is the full text of the

Ordinance. The effective date is August 11, 2009.

A copy of the Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Chelsea City Offices, 305 South Main, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118 during regular business hours, 9:00 am. to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays.

Teresa Royal, Clerk CITY OF CHELSEA 305 South Main, Suite 100 Chelsea, Michigan 48118

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WASHTENAW

I, TERESA ROYAL, Clerk of the City of Chelsea, do hereby certify that the within Ordinance was adopted by the Chelsea City Council at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of July, 2009, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0

Teresa Royal, Clerk CITY OF CHELSEA Prepared by: KEUSCH, FLINTOFT & CONLIN, P.C. Attorneys for the City of Chelsea 119 South Main Street, P.O. Box 187 Chelsea, Michigan 48118 Telephone: 734/475-9871 www.keuschlaw.com Publish July 23, 2009

A Special Meeting of the Lima Township Board, to reconvene the Special Meeting started on June 28, 2009, the Agenda Item being Beach vs. Lima Township Litigation, was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on July 6, 2009. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laler. Also present several residents and guests. Public comments were received. Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to go to executive session to obtain attorney input on litigation at 8:07 a.m. Motion carried. Motion by Laler supported by Bareis to leave executive session to return to regular session at 9:12 a.m. Motion carried. Motion by Unterbrink supported by Havens to move forward, to file an Application for Leave to Appeal, to the Michigan Supreme Court, for acceptance of the Beach vs. Lima Township Case. Comments on the motion were received. Roll call vote: Ayes: Havens, Bareis, McKenzie and Unterbrink. Nays: Laler. Absent: None. Motion by Laler supported by Havens to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried. Respectfully submitted, Ariene R. Bareis, Clerk Publish July 23, 2009

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2009

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan. ROLL CALL: President Keough, Carson, Cousins, Fisher-absent, Semifero, Smith, Tell APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES Motion Smith; support Carson to approve the Regular Council Minutes of June 8, 2009. Unanimous voice vote for approval APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Motion Carson; support Smith to approve the agenda as printed. Unanimous voice vote for approval CONSENT AGENDA Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$245,060.68 Consideration of: Final 2008/2009 Budget Amendments Consideration of: Reappointments to the Parks & Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Tree Board Motion Semifero; 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 Smith that based upon the information received from the applicant, reflected in minutes of this meeting, and in conformance with Section 21.04(E)3 of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance, the Village Council finds the Berry and Associates combined site plan dated 6-15-09 meets the requirements to approve the combined site plan. In making this determination, the following additional condition shall apply: all outstanding engineering concerns must be addressed prior to scheduling a pre-construction meeting. Ayes: Cousins, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough Nays: None Absent: Fisher Motion carries Motion Semifero; support Smith that based on the information provided by the applicant and the provisions set forth in Section 21.04(E)3, Site Plan Extensions and the Planning Commission's recommendation, the Village Council approves the request to extend the Dexter Wellness Center final site plan until October 8, 2011. Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Cousins and Keough Nays: None Absent: Fisher Motion carries Motion Semifero; support Smith whereas, a detailed revenue and

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Carson; support Cousins to adjourn at 9:00 pm. Unanimous voice vote for approval Respectfully submitted, Carol J. Jones, Clerk, Village of Dexter Approved for Filing: July 13, 2009 The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Village Office at 8123 Main Street, Dexter MI or online at www.villageofdexter.org. Publish July 23, 2009

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ALLEN PARK: 4 family moving sale 14852 O'Connor N. of Allen behind Sears shopping center. 7/25 8-4, 7/26 9-2. Lots of Avon, wall unit, some appl., all household, all must go. 313-330-9828

ALLEN PARK: 7191 Robinson, 7/25; 9-4. Moving/Gar. Sale. Everything Must Go. No early birds.

ALLEN PARK: 8054 Robinson Ave., July 22-26, 9-4pm. Household items, misc., Stove, Fridge, Lexus 05 330, and more.

ALLEN PARK 9331 Quandt, July 24-26, 10-5pm. Estate Sale, piano, vintage furniture, more.

ANN ARBOR: Huge Barn Sale. 3780 Miller Rd., July 24-25; 9-6pm. 50 years of clutter must go! Collectibles, household, books, knick knacks, clothes, cook books, jewelry & much more. No Early Birds Please.

ANN ARBOR: Waterways Sub Sale (off Lohr Rd.) Multi-Family Sale. July 24-25; 9-3pm.

BREAST CANCER 3 Day Fundraiser BOOK SALE Over 800 used books July 24th 10-4 2100 Allen Road, WOODHAVEN Parking lot of Kakaris Family Dentistry

BROWNSTOWN: 27282 Jessica Ln. (Wheatland Estates at corner of Van Horn & Inkster) Multi-Family Gar. Sales. July 24-25; 8-4pm.

BROWNSTOWN, 27430 Oakcrest. 1 day only. July 24th. Toddler clothes, toys, and misc. 9-3

BROWNSTOWN: Multi family garage sale 18484 Azalea, Sat-Sun 9-5. Baby items, tools, misc.

DEARBORN - 1718 Guiley Fri-Sat, 10-4pm. Living estate/tag sale. Furn., appl., tools galore, household & more - no junk! Nice, usable, "almost new" items.

DEARBORN: 205 Highview, July 24-25, 9-4. Bike ramp, household, furniture, toys, books & more!

DEARBORN 22222 Nowlin, Sat. July 18 9-5pm & 19 9-3pm. 3 family sale. Lots of everything!

DEARBORN - 23011 Arlington, July 24-26, 9-4pm. Appliances, bunk beds, athletic equip, holiday, garden, trains, scooters, dishes & more. Moving Sale!

DEARBORN - 241 Naah, July 23-25, 9-4pm. Furn., clothes, baby things, houseware & toys.

DEARBORN - 24431 Cherry Hill St. July 24-25 9-4. Furniture, clothes, antiques, toys, beds, & more!

DEARBORN - 3437 Detroit St., July 24-10, 25 10-3. Estate Sale, hardware/tools, kitchen, furniture & more.

DEARBORN - 3541 Academy, July 23-25, 9-4pm. Baby items, clothes in exc. cond. & more!

DEARBORN: 440 Meridian (S. of Cherry Hill, W. of Telegraph), July 23-24 from 9-4pm.

PLACE AN AD 1-877-888-3202

DEARBORN - Buck Ingham St. sale! 48128, July 23-25, 9-4pm. Furn. baby items, & more!

DEARBORN HILLS: Misc. household leaded glass, 24701 Emerson, Fri. & Sat. 7/24-25, 10-5

DEARBORN HTS - 24 2nd St., 3 bikes W. of Beech Daly & S. of Warren, July 25, 9-3pm.

DEARBORN HTS.: 5850 Linden, July 24-26; 10-7. Furniture, household, collectibles & more.

DEARBORN HTS. - 8200 Burger, July 23-25. Lots of household & Misc., Power tools & Hand tools.

DEARBORN - Fum mage sale! St. Michaels Ukrainian Catholic Church 6340 Chase Rd. 48128, Fri. July 31 9-6. Sat. Aug. 1st 9-4. Sun. Aug. 2, 12-4.

DEXTER: 6080 Hickory Lane (N. of North Territorial Rd. & Donovan), July 24-26; 10-6. Huge Garage Sale. Mens/boys clothes, toys, collectibles & cross stitch supplies.

DEXTER - Annual Neighborhood Fox Ridge Garage Sale, 48130. 20 plus families. Too many items to list. Sat. July 25th, 9-4 Sun. July 26th, 12-4 Off N. Territorial, 1.6 Mi. W. of Dexter Pinc-Kney Rd.

DEXTER: Huge moving sale, 7/24 9-5:30, 7/25 9-2, 8050 Huron St. W. of Cider Mill. Appl., furniture & more!

DEXTER - The Dexter Crossing Sub Sale: (Located at the corner of Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. & Dan Hoey Rd.) July 24th 8-4pm., 25th 8-2pm.

WHY STORE If when a classified ad will sell it for cash?

FLAT ROCK: 28751 Brandes Rd., July 24-25; 9-4pm. Multi-Family. Lots of everything!

FLAT ROCK: 29511 Red Cedar, July 24-25 from 9-4pm. A little bit of everything!

FLATROCK - 30214 Apple Grove Way, July 24-25, 9-4pm. household, crafts, lamps, weight set. No early birds

FLATROCK - 30248 Hickory Dr., July 22-24, 8-5pm. Misc. items, tools, and much more.

FLAT ROCK - 48134 30257 Terry St. W. of I-75, S. of Gibraltar Rd. off Olmstead & Woodruff. July 23-25, 9-6pm. Huge 3 family sale.

GIBRALTAR 29081 Denison, July 25 & 26, 9-2pm. Appl., furn., 25 cent clothes and more.

GIBRALTAR - 29088 Young, July 22-25, 9am. Clothing, houseware, patio, and much more.

GROSSE ILE - 27985 Broadhead. Multifamily sale. Asian style dining rm set, toys, clothes, jenny Lind crib set, Peg Perego dkt stroller, misc. July 24-26 Fri-Sun 10-6

GROSSE ILE: 724, 9-3. 8409 Rucker Rd. Baby clothes & baby toys. Misc household items.

GROSSE ILE: Huge estate sale everything must go! 28655 Southpointe, Thur. Fri. 7/23-24, 9-4. Churn cabinet, paddle sewing machine.

ISLAND BLOCK SALE (off of South Pointe) July 25th, 9-4pm. Something for everyone. Lots of new items. Better than Big Lots, mens & ladies golf clubs & tools, 6 Families.

HURON TWP., 25895 Frances Lane, off Willow E. of Watz, July 23-26, 10-5pm. Moving Sale, anything left over on 26th is free.

LINCOLN PARK - 1054 Mill St., July 24-26, 9-4pm. Moving Sale. Everything must go.

LINCOLN PARK: 1202 Lincoln, July 24; 10-4. July 25-26; 9-4. Toys, household, clothes, misc.

LINCOLN PARK 1724 Progress 48146, July 23-25 8-4pm. Huge Sale! Household, furn., tools, & lots more!

LINCOLN PARK, 1760 Richmond, July 23-25th, 10-5, household, clothing, furniture, computers, toys, misc & lots more!

LINCOLN PARK: 2162 Calvin Ave. (betw. Dix & Champaign), July 24-26. Yard Sale.

LINCOLN PARK: 2176 Michigan Blvd., July 24-28; 9-5. Home & garden party & lots more

CLASSIFIED IS one of the best single sources for selling items, seeking jobs, finding housing, meeting new people and more.

LINCOLN PARK: 3 family sale 974 Winchester, July 23-25, 9-3pm. Electronics, twin mattress, misc.

LINCOLN PARK: 869 Emmons Blvd., July 24-25; 9-5. Mens, womens, kids clothes, comics, collectibles & furniture.

LINCOLN PARK Backingham Annual Block Sale! 1700, 1800, 1600, 1500, 1400, & 1300, betw Dix & Fort St. Collectibles, antiques, tools, furniture, clothes, kid stuff. New items everyday, something for everyone! July 24-26; 9-6pm.

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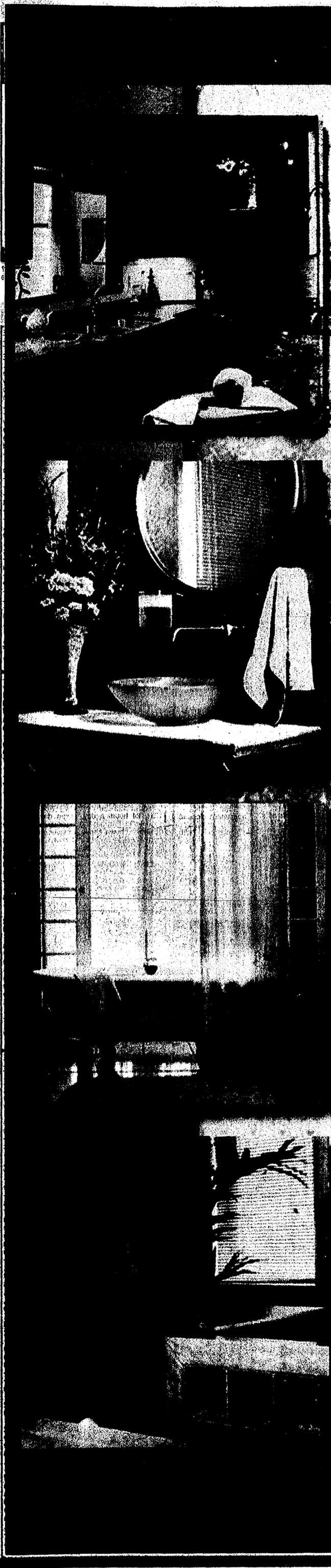
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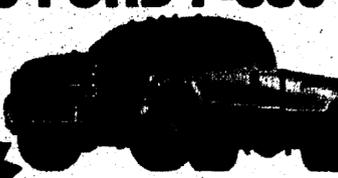
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Above: Dolly Levi promotes her mending skills to a group of unwed females. At right: Cast members share a moment.



An opening scene family group.



Back left to right: Nolan Peterson, Abby Hill-Kennedy, Lexi Beatty; Front left to right: Anna Cleypool and Paige Sanders

The cast & crew

Dolly Levi: Mary Rumman; Horace Vandergelder: Gary Glover; Ermengarde: Becca Glover; Ambrose Kemper: Deric Prieskorn; Ernestina: Diana Hunt; Cornelius Hackl: Sean Harmon; Barnaby Tucker: Stephen Sheler; Irene Molloy: Alisa Bauer; Minnie Fay: Abby Hill-Kennedy; Mrs. Rose: Beverly Slater; Judge: Brian Myers; Rudolph/Ensemble: Brad Richert; Dancer/Ensemble cast includes: Tanis Allen, Devyn Bauer, Lexi Beatty, Teresa Benedict, Betsy Bluhm, Brigitte Demelo, Lauren Gravelyn, Janine Modafferi, Paula Modafferi, Rachel Modafferi, Caroline Rosoff, and Katelyn Sheler; Ensemble includes: Zachery Allen, Nick Beatty, Joshua Clacelo, Anna Cleypool, Betty Cummings, Katia Rae Hayduk, Elizabeth Miller, Frank Modafferi, Mikal Nelson, Marjorie Pelkey, Nolan Peterson, and Paige Sanders.

Producer/Artistic Director: June Weiland; Assistant Director: Brad Richert; Vocal Director: Bill Hohnke; Choreographer: Robin Lisa Tyler; Orchestra Director: Jared Throneberry; Costumer: Brian Myers; Props/Set Decoration: Diana Hunt; Technical Director: Justin Humphres; Accompanist: Lester Castellana; Hair Stylist: Mary Alber; Publicity: Kathy McGuire; Program: Don Paulsell; Finance: Clara Smith; Tickets: Maryann Guenther; House Manager: Krysta Patton

From the directors

Bill Hohnke: "Hello, Dolly!" is a highly entertaining show and if they haven't seen it before, they will be glad that they bought their tickets. For those who have seen the show, the cast and crew do the show justice and CAP's production is worth a re-visit."

June Weiland: "Every night (of rehearsal) I'm impressed with what each actor brings to the character. How did I get so lucky? This show is a labor of love for each person involved, on and off the stage. It's a creative outlet as well as a fun time with people of similar interests. We love the endearing story and the music; we can't get those timeless tunes out of our heads! Add to that the beautiful period costumes and scenery, and we're ready for the payoff that comes with each performance and the audience approval."



Dolly Levi (Mary Rumman) and Horace Vandergelder (Gary Glover)



Dancers, ballerinas, and waiters? This group of talented dancers will transform into entertaining waitstaff employed by the elegant Harmonia Gardens Restaurant of New York. They surround head waiter Rudolph played by Brad Richert (center back).



Ermengarde (Becca Glover) and Ambrose (Deric Prieskorn) examine their train ticket.



The ballet dancers strike a pose.



The "couples" of the show. Back left to right: Ermengarde (Becca Glover) and Ambrose Kemper (Deric Prieskorn), Dolly (Mary Rumman) and Horace (Gary Glover), Barnaby (Stephen Sheler). Front left to right: Cornelius (Sean Harmon) and Irene (Alisa Bauer); Minnie Fay (Abby Hill-Kennedy)

Tickets

Performances of "Hello, Dolly!" will be July 24 and 25 at 8 p.m.; with a 2 p.m. matinee on July 26 at the Chelsea High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$16 and are now available for purchase in person at the Chelsea Pharmacy, on-line by visiting www.chelseaaareplayers.org, or by phone at 800-838-8008. Remaining tickets will also be sold at the door.

Disc golf a popular summer pastime

By Ed Patino

Heritage Newspapers

It is part Ultimate Frisbee, part golf and it's becoming an increasingly popular summer pastime.

Disc golf is one of the fastest growing sports in the world today, and Washtenaw County offers its fair share of courses for area enthusiasts.

There are currently seven disc golf courses in the county. Ann Arbor boasts three of them with Brown Park, Ann Arbor Pioneer High School and BRATS (a private course). Two courses reside in Ypsilanti at Rolling Hills Country Park and Water Works Park Disc Golf Course. Dexter is home to Hudson Mills Metropark, which features its "Original" course and the "Monster."

Hudson Mills is a popular stop on the Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) tour and will host a tournament in just over two weeks. The Beauty & The Beast, a tournament presented by the Ann Arbor Disc Golf Club and a PDGA sanctioned "C-Tier" event, will take place Aug. 8. The event features two rounds of 24 holes and is a charitable event for breast cancer research.

"We host the event, but outside disc golf groups manage them," said Nancy Schaible, superintendent of Hudson Mills Metropark. "They normally organize one pro and one amateur event for us each year."

The PDGA hosts events all over the United States throughout the year. The game has gained popularity around the world, as PDGA events also take place in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway,

Denmark and Japan. The game itself is played in over 40 countries worldwide.

Schaible believes the game is popular due to the wide variety of people that can play.

"We have college and high school students playing, and we draw business people," Schaible said. "You definitely see different people than you do on a regular golf range."

Disc golf leagues are also on the rise in the area. The Ann Arbor Disc Golf Club holds singles leagues each Wednesday at Hudson Mills and a Monday singles league at Rolling Hills. Both leagues run from May to September and are open to men and women.

"We get our regulars on Wednesday nights and walk-ins," Schaible said. "We put a lot of maintenance into the courses and try to keep them in good shape. I've heard some players say that ours is the best maintained course they've used."

Both the Original and Monster courses at Hudson Mills feature 24 holes. The majority of them are 300 to 400 yards in length. The Monster contains more of the longer holes and has more hazards in the fairways to make it more challenging.

Disc golf is played the same way as regular ball golf. One point is counted each time the disc is thrown, and the object is to gain the lowest score. There are designated tee areas where players begin a new hole. Throws here must be completed within or behind the designated area. A "hole" is completed when the disc lands in the chained basket at the end of the fairway.

After teeing off, the player



whose disc is farthest from the chains throws first. The player with the least amount of throws on the previous hole is the first to tee off on the next hole.

Foot positioning is a key component on fairway shots. The foot closest to the hole must be on the lie, or where the disc landed on the previous toss. The other foot may be no closer to the hole than the lie. A run-up and normal follow through after the release is allowed.

Like regular golf, penalty points are administered in disc golf for throws that go out of bounds, land in permanent water hazards and public roads.

The "putting" area is a circle drawn out around the chained basket. Here, run-ups are not allowed on the tees.

Regular stroke play is the most common method of scoring. Other forms of play in disc golf include skins games, speed golf and match play.

Schaible views disc golf not only as a fun recreational activity, but something that is good for area parks.

"It appeals to a different group of people, and it expanded our clientele," she said.

The PDGA holds several major tournaments throughout the year. One of its marquee events is the United States Disc Golf Championship, which takes place Oct. 7 through 10 at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC. The 2009 PDGA World Championships begin Saturday in Kansas City and run until Aug. 1.

Michigan has over 100 disc golf courses.

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Photos by Ed Patino
Above, Hudson Mills Metropark will host a Professional Disc Golf Association tournament Aug. 8. The event, which features two rounds of 24 holes, is also a charitable fund-raiser for breast cancer research. Washtenaw County has seven disc golf courses. Ann Arbor has the most courses with three, while Ypsilanti has two.



Photos by Ed Patino

At bottom, Multiple discs lay ready for use. Disc golf is gaining in popularity with over 40 countries playing the sport. At top, a player prepares to throw a fairway shot during a recent disc golf match.

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9	7	1	5	3	6	4	8	2
4	3	2	1	9	8	6	5	7
2	6	7	3	8	5	1	9	4
3	8	4	9	2	1	7	6	8
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RICK TAYLOR

For years, I wanted to go on an unforgettable hunt. Little did I know this hunt would be the most traumatic experience I've ever gone through.

I had saved up enough money to go on a caribou hunt near the Arctic Circle. The hunting tags were paid for and I picked Laurentian Ungava Outfitter's to be my guide service. Mark Beggs, a good friend from Florida, was going to join me and I couldn't have been more excited about the trip.

My longbow was ready, along with my newly-sharpened broad heads on my wooden arrows. I also picked up "10 X" waterproof hunting clothes for the trip. I was definitely ready and couldn't have been more excited to hunt in Ungava Bay at the northern tip of Labrador.

Mark and I flew into Schefferville from Montreal and then took a puddle jumper into Lake Mussett in the middle of nowhere.

Yeah, yeah, yeah... you may doubt my words, but I'm not kidding about the remoteness of the area. The nearest town was more than 300 miles away to our south — we were truly out there.

The caribou migration is truly a hit and miss kind of hunt. You either see hundreds, even thousands of caribou, or you see nothing at all. The boreal forests are amazing to say the least, let alone the finger lakes carved out from the glaciers thousands of years earlier.

My wife at the time was five months pregnant with our soon-to-be son. You've seen Ricky in a few of my stories up to this point. I booked this trip almost a year before finding out we were going to have a child and the hunting trip wasn't refundable. I got the blessing to go on this hunt, never thinking anything bad would happen. Boy, was I in for a rude awakening.

The first three days of the hunt were spectacular, to say the least. We hadn't seen any Caribou, but we weren't deterred. The fishing was spectacular since I caught numerous brook and lake trout on the fly rod and it helped pass the time while hunting.

The fourth day started out like the previous three days until about 7:30 in the morning. I suddenly "felt" something wasn't right. I had never felt anything like this before, but I had a premonition that my wife was in serious trouble. I told my friend Mark about my concerns and he laughed it off. I put on my brave face and also convinced myself that my worries were unfounded. But, I just couldn't shake these scary thoughts running through my head.

Mark and I finally made it back to camp after a long day of hunting and I began talking with the guide about my concerns that something may be wrong back home. The other 10 hunters in our camp got wind of my concerns and didn't hesitate to make fun of my unwarranted fears. I was so embarrassed, but my fears for my pregnant wife didn't allow me to worry how silly I looked in front of the other hunters.

It was about 7:00 p.m. when I asked the hunting guide if there was a way to use his radio



Rick Taylor holds his baby boy, Ricky. While gone on a hunting trip, Taylor had a premonition that something was wrong with his pregnant wife. A phone call confirmed that she had been involved in a serious car accident.

to somehow call home. I knew the answer was no, but I had to ask anyway. He confirmed my suspicions, but did tell me that he had a satellite phone for emergencies only. I asked how much it would cost me to use this phone and he reluctantly said \$10 per minute, not including set up time.

I pulled out my wallet and showed him some cash and he started the process of acquiring a phone signal. He eventually got to an operator and I relayed my home phone number in small bursts. The guide handed me the phone and it seemed to ring forever.

Finally, my wife answered the phone to my relief. She said "hello" and was shocked that I was on the other end.

"Aren't you hunting right now?" she asked. "How are you able to talk to me?"

I told her about the satellite phone and she immediately fell into tears. I told her about my fears that something was wrong with her. She then told me that a guy ran her off the road on her way to work that morning just east of the Timberland Game Ranch on North Territorial Road.

A man traveling westbound crossed the centerline and she had to take evasive action. She flipped the jeep two and a half times and was hung upside down in the weeds for a very long time until somebody finally found her. Her left arm had been seriously cut while she was violently flipping across the road. The injury required many stitches.

She told me how the ambulance took her to the hospital and how the doctors hoped her fetus would be okay, although they weren't certain.

We talked for a while and I promised her that I would get back home as soon as I could. Those 10 guys weren't laughing at me anymore. They all stood there huddled around me while I was on the phone, most were either crying, tearing up or just in shock. They asked me how I knew and I couldn't give them an answer.

Unfortunately, the weather took a turn for the worse and I had to wait an agonizing three days before a plane could get me back to Montreal. It was the longest three days of my life.

My dad was gracious enough to pick me up in Montreal and drive me all the way back to Chelsea to see my wife. I owe him so much, words can't begin to describe how much I appreciated his help.

Thankfully, Ricky is here today and is the greatest joy in my life. I'm devastated to

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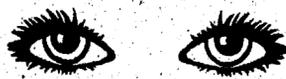
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Vision Council of America, a nonprofit trade association representing the optical industry, wants parents to know that wearing protective eyewear can prevent or lessen the severity of most eye injuries.

Talk to your eyecare professional about protecting your child's eyes.

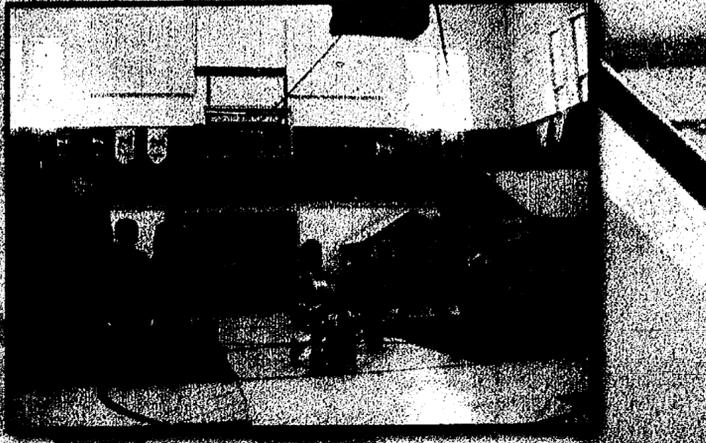


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Safety Town 2009



Scotty Gray and Matt Rose demonstrated how firefighters look when they enter a smoke-filled house and allowed the children to touch them with their hands to help them feel at ease around the equipment.



Students practice looking both ways before crossing the street and stopping at the stoplight in 'Safety Town'.

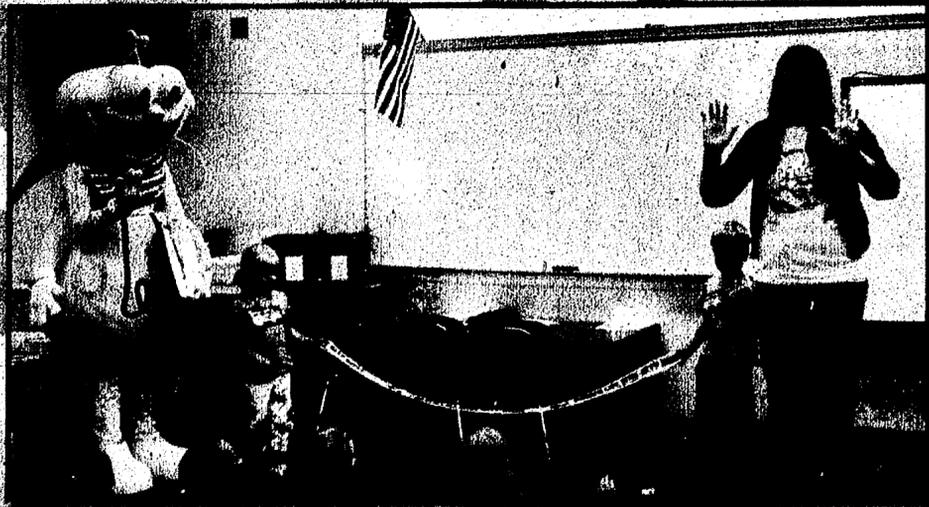
Fun environment helps in teaching children safety

During the week of June 15-19, Chelsea Community Services hosted 'Safety Town' at North Creek Elementary for children who will be attending Kindergarten this fall.

The children learned how to be safe around fire, electricity, water, while crossing the street, bus safety, dialing 9-1-1, around strangers, the importance of wearing their seatbelt, and what to do if someone should show them a gun.

Through crafts, songs, videos, and several hands-on experiences with presenters from the community, the children learned to be safe in a fun, non-threatening environment.

The week ended with a special Safety Town graduation for friends and family.



Louise the Lightning Bug and Marissa from DTE taught the children to STOP and walk away from downed power lines!



Amelia learned about bus safety from the Chelsea Schools Transportation Department as she took a ride to the Chelsea Fire Department.



when someone is being

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Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Some sun with a t-storm	Mainly clear	A thunderstorm possible	A thunderstorm possible	Thunderstorms possible	A couple of showers	Periods of rain	Cooler
75° to 81°	52° to 58°	79° to 85° 56° to 62°	77° to 83° 57° to 63°	75° to 81° 55° to 61°	78° to 84° 56° to 62°	80° to 86° 55° to 61°	67° to 73° 50° to 56°

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Statistics for the week ending Monday, July 20

Temperatures:
 High/Low for the week: 84°/42°
 Normal high/low: 83°/62°
 Average temperature: 64.6°
 Normal average temperature: 73.0°

Precipitation:
 Total for the week: 8.09"
 Total for the month: 0.95"
 Total for the year: 48.30"
 Normal for the month: 2.03"
 Normal for the year: 36.80"

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures ● High ● Low

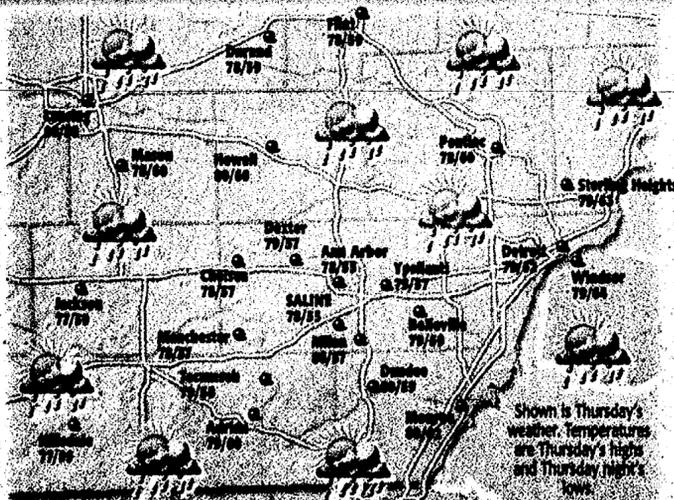
Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
78	82	81	80	82	86	72
62	62	61	60	62	66	52

THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

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Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
7	6	5	6	7	7	6
82	82	81	80	82	86	72

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SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Thursday	6:19 a.m.	8:03 p.m.
Friday	6:20 a.m.	9:02 p.m.
Saturday	6:23 a.m.	9:52 p.m.
Sunday	6:22 a.m.	9:01 p.m.
Monday	6:25 a.m.	9:09 p.m.
Tuesday	6:24 a.m.	8:59 p.m.
Wednesday	6:25 a.m.	8:58 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	8:12 a.m.	10:02 p.m.
Friday	9:31 a.m.	10:29 p.m.
Saturday	10:46 a.m.	10:53 p.m.
Sunday	11:58 a.m.	11:18 p.m.
Monday	1:08 p.m.	11:44 p.m.
Tuesday	2:17 p.m.	none
Wednesday	3:24 p.m.	12:12 a.m.

RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday

River	Flood stage	Current stage
Dearborn Creek	15 ft	12.23 ft
Huron River	15 ft	12.23 ft
Maletta Creek	15 ft	12.23 ft
Manichew	15 ft	12.23 ft
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LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	540.11 ft	572.42 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	574.88 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Ann Arbor	78/55/t	82/59/pc	80/60/c	Midland	78/60/t	80/63/pc	76/60/c
Bay City	80/60/t	82/62/pc	77/60/c	Pontiac	77/60/t	80/64/pc	79/63/c
Flint	78/59/t	81/62/pc	80/61/c	Saginaw	80/60/t	82/62/pc	77/60/c
Grand Rapids	78/62/pc	80/63/pc	84/58/s	Sturgis	77/60/t	80/64/pc	77/62/pc
Kalamazoo	81/60/t	81/64/pc	78/62/pc	Warren	80/63/t	82/66/pc	82/65/c
Lansing	81/60/t	81/64/pc	78/62/pc				
Livonia	79/61/t	82/64/pc	80/64/c				

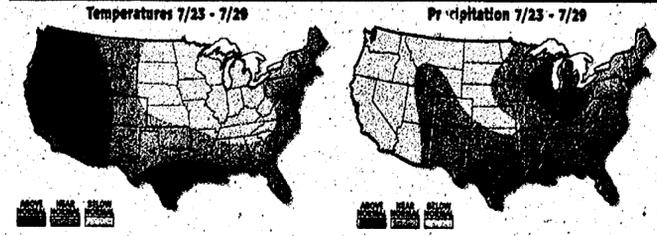
WORLD CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Athens	81/70/s	83/74/s	87/81/s	Manila	81/77/s	81/80/s	82/84/s
Berlin	79/64/sh	75/57/sh	70/54/pc	Moscow	75/55/t	77/61/t	75/57/sh
Buenos Aires	82/61/s	83/62/pc	84/58/s	Paris	75/61/s	74/57/s	77/58/s
Cairo	103/76/s	101/77/s	103/77/s	Rio de Janeiro	81/69/s	76/68/c	74/68/sh
Calgary	87/74/s	77/63/s	78/57/s	Singapore	81/74/s	82/74/s	82/74/s
Hong Kong	91/81/t	91/82/sh	91/82/pc	Seoul	82/68/pc	85/68/sh	83/66/sh
Jerusalem	81/74/s	81/74/s	81/74/s	Sydney	81/74/s	81/74/s	81/74/s
Johannesburg	60/38/s	46/37/pc	49/36/pc	Tokyo	81/74/s	81/74/s	81/74/s
London	77/51/t	76/54/pc	76/56/pc	Warsaw	86/66/pc	84/61/pc	77/55/sh

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Athens	81/70/s	83/74/s	87/81/s	Minneapolis	83/66/pc	80/61/t	73/62/pc
Boston	74/67/t	73/68/pc	85/68/pc	New Orleans	85/74/t	83/74/pc	83/74/pc
Chicago	82/62/t	86/66/s	84/65/pc	New York City	85/71/t	85/72/pc	86/73/t
Cincinnati	82/62/t	86/66/s	84/65/pc	Ottawa	81/78/s	80/78/s	83/78/s
Cleveland	77/63/s	83/64/pc	83/68/pc	Philadelphia	84/70/t	86/70/pc	88/72/t
Dallas	90/70/pc	94/74/s	98/73/pc	Pittsburgh	81/70/s	80/62/s	84/64/pc
Denver	89/60/pc	90/58/pc	88/57/pc	St. Louis	78/60/t	81/61/t	80/61/pc
Honolulu	89/75/pc	89/76/s	88/76/s	St. Paul	86/67/s	81/61/t	80/61/pc
Houston	84/74/t	85/78/pc	87/78/s	San Francisco	69/56/pc	71/55/pc	72/55/pc
Kansas City	87/70/s	89/65/pc	84/62/s	Seattle	80/57/pc	80/57/pc	80/57/pc
Las Vegas	111/80/s	109/80/s	109/87/s	Wash., DC	87/71/t	85/71/pc	88/72/t
Los Angeles	86/66/s	86/66/s	86/64/s				

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Quilt Auction

A special quilt will be auctioned off this year in support of the Riverfolk Festival. The project was organized by board member Beatte Williams and volunteer Tara Breslin.

The quilt was pieced by volunteers at a special workshop. Silent auction bids will be accepted starting Friday night at the dance party and until Saturday afternoon during the festival.

Songwriter's contest

The Manchester Riverfolk Festival is giving aspiring artists a chance to have their voices heard in a public setting.

The 2009 songwriter's contest is open to musicians of all ages. Participants must submit an entry form online at www.riverfolkfestival.org. Songwriters will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis and will be notified of their performance time. Contestants can enter more than one song as long as each song includes an entry form and lyric sheet.

All submitted songs must be original compositions and cannot use copyrighted material from another artist.

The songwriting contest will start at approximately 11 a.m. Aug. 1 in the pavilion at Carr Park.

Contestants will be judged on a number system of various details of the song. Judges will base their decisions on the song itself, not necessarily the quality of the performance. All songwriters must be present but need not perform their own songs.

There will be a first, second and third place winner. Prizes include a \$100 gift certificate (first place), \$50 gift certifi-

cate (second place) and \$25 gift certificate (third place).

Fiddle contest

Children, teens and adults are invited to participate in the second annual old-time fiddle contest.

The contest features three ages divisions — youth (ages 12 and under), junior (ages 13 to 17), and adult (ages 18 and older).

The competition's emphasis is on inclusion and fun. Contestants may compete on violin, viola or cello.

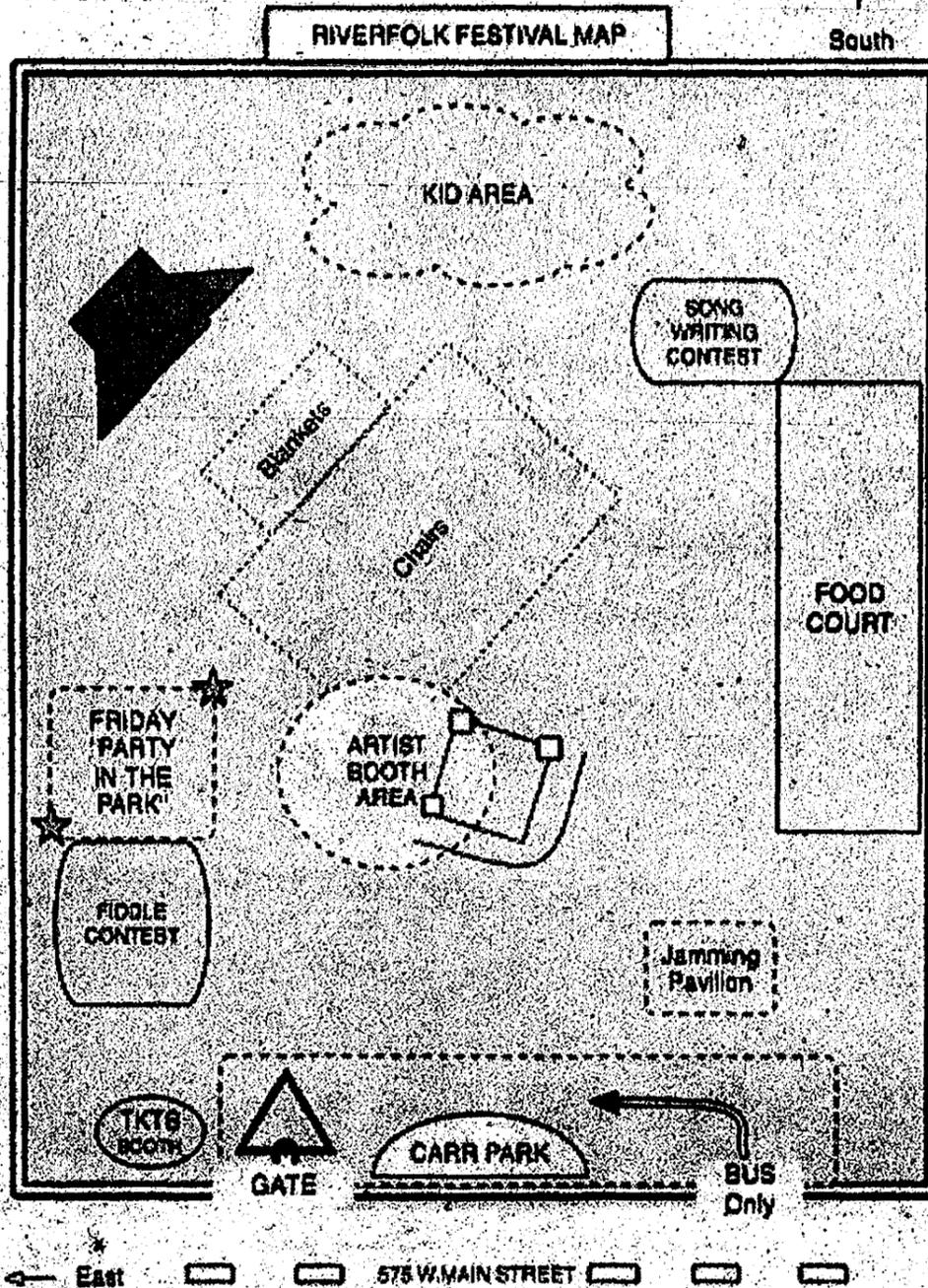
All fiddlers must submit a completed entry form. Registrations will be accepted in the order they are received.

Competition begins at 10 a.m. Saturday. During the first round, each contestant will announce and then play a tune of choice, preferably a reel.

In the second round, fiddlers will announce and play a reel and a waltz. Performances shall be unaccompanied. Sheet music, vocals, contact microphones and amplified instruments are not permitted.

Participants must check in 30 minutes before the contest begins. Participants will receive a performance number based upon the order in which their registration form was received. Competition will proceed from youth through adult divisions. Playing time is limited to two minutes per piece.

Performances shall be judged on the basis of musicianship (including, but not limited to, tone, rhythm, timing, and style) and adherence to fiddling styles performed. All decisions of the judges and festival committee are final. Participants, by signing and submit-



ting a registration form, expressly grant the Riverfolk Festival all rights to photograph, videotape and reproduce their performances and waive any and all claims related to same.

Entry forms can be obtained at www.riverfolkfestival.org or downloaded and mailed to:

Riverfolk Fiddle Contest,
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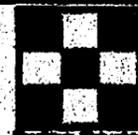
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Woody Pines

How many artists, besides the late Johnny Cash, open with a prison song? Roots and blues musician Woody Pines probably found himself in an exclusive club when he started off a recent show with the song "99 Years."

The thing about Pines (whose band borrows its frontman's stage name) is that he's such a consummate player, such an upbeat personality, that not only can he get away with such a stunt, he can turn the concept of hard time into party time.



Woody Pines

When he's not logging tour miles, Pines can often be found around downtown Asheville, N.C. However, Pines enjoys being on the road. His Web site boasts "... he left home with his

guitar on his back and made it through 49 states before he was 19."

Pines brings that low-key street corner style of performance to his stage show, but with all the polish and seasoned professionalism of a tour-bus-and-green-room rock stardom. If Pines' elegantly disheveled fedora and vintage resonator guitar don't set the mood (both are strongly suggestive of the musician's mix of ragtime, country blues and lightning-speed folk), the backing band does the trick.

Sometimes known as "The Lonesome Two" (standup bassist Zack Pozebanchuk and kit-drummer Rennie Elliot), the band was expanded with the addition of fiddler Darrin Gentry and New Orleans multi-instrumentalist Aurora Nealand.

Nealand's accordion provides plenty of gypsy-eque ambiance, but her fiery turns on tenor sax—especially on a Depression-era number—elevate the Woody Pines band to the next level. Nealand, with recently cropped hair, looks like Bob Dylan's love child and plays like an all-state band champ who took to hopping trains and frequenting speakeasies. In fact, every member of Woody Pines seems storied and steeped in the best of Americana (the culture, not the alt-country musical genre).

While some classical training is likely, these musicians ooze authenticity and passion with each note. Crackerjack musicianship goes a long way toward a band's greatness, but showmanship seals the deal. Pines, on stage, is an old soul and natural performer, unabashed on kazoo, easily engaging the audience throughout the show.



The Heaton

The Heaton

Matt and Shannon Heaton play updated and traditional Irish music. Their newest album, "Lover's Well," is a collection of traditional Irish love songs, stirring traditional and original tunes, and one Thai traditional classic, "Lao Dueng Duen," to honor the time Shannon spent studying Thai music and language.

John O'Regan (Irish Music Magazine) called their music "tight, sweet and tasteful, lacking nothing on either technical expertise or instrumental virtuosity." And Scott Alarik (Boston Globe) wrote, "Their playing is masterful and inventive, their arrangements city-smart and spacious. Still, they never forget that Irish music is, at its heart, a neighborly form, meant for sharing, not showing off."

"These two are magic; whether it be a driving reel or a gorgeous song, these two can do it all ... brilliant to the bone."

Nic Gareiss

A native of Michigan, Nic Gareiss' dancing incorporates footwork vocabulary from many step dance styles to rhythmically

accompany traditional music. Gareiss has studied a broad variety of percussive movement forms, focusing primarily on the dance traditions associated with North American fiddle tunes. In his teens, Gareiss received dual scholarships from the Wheatland Music Organization and the Augusta Heritage Center to apprentice with the internationally recognized company, Footworks Percussive Dance Ensemble.

Through high school, Gareiss performed with Footworks, including an ensemble role in "The Crossing," their



Nic Gareiss

production with Grammy-winning songwriter Tim O'Brien. During that period, at the tender age of 16, he took second place at the 2003 Clifftop Flat-footing contest in the 15-49 age group.

From his wide berth of traditional dance experience, Gareiss has gleaned figurations, motives and shoe sounds from percussive dance traditions worldwide. This becomes most evident when he is performing with a live musician, engaging in a musical dialogue between feet and instrument. By utilizing imitation, ornaments and contrasting rhythmic patterns, Gareiss is more than reiterating precedented step sequences or structure, he is creating music on the floor.

Gareiss has performed in Ireland, Scotland, France, Belgium, England, Canada and the United States. He had danced at numerous folk festivals and concert series including Virginia's Wolf Trap Farm Park, the Ann Arbor Ark, New York's Old Songs Festival, the Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield, Kan., the Shetland Folk Festival, the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., Glasgow's Celtic Connections festival and most recently at the Festival Interceltique in Lorient, France.

He has performed as a featured soloist with Solas, Dervish, Gráda, Beoga,

Téada, The Old Blind Dogs, Le Vent Du Nord, Martin Hayes and the Chieftains and has also taught at Alasdair Fraser's Valley of the Moon Scottish Fiddle Camp in northern California.

His dancing has been seen on CMT in Uncle Earl's music video, "Streak O' Lean, Steak O' Fat," directed by Tom Krueger and also on Ireland's RTE 2 in the short film, "Unsung," commissioned by Dance on the Box and the Irish Arts Council. "Unsung" was directed by Morleigh Steinberg and premiered during the Dublin Dance Festival in 2008.

Gareiss also works with the David Munnelly band from Mayo, Ireland. With Munnelly, he integrates Irish dance traditions with American vernacular dance, exploring the reaction of Irish immigrants to the infectious spirit of jazz they encountered in the 1920s as they settled in the United States.

In 2007, he spent a year living in Ireland studying at the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance in Limerick. During that period he studied sean-nós and Cape Breton step dance with Mats Melin as well as Irish dancing and choreography with Orlaif Ni Bhriain.

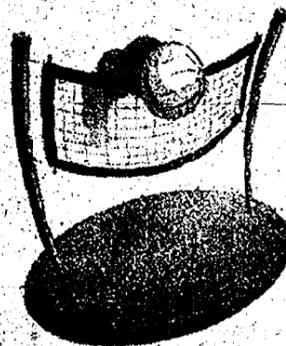
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RIVERFOLK FESTIVAL WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday, July 31, 2009

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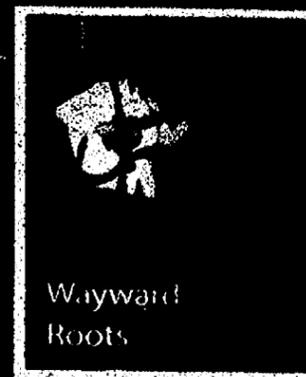
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2009 Riverfolk Schedule

Stockwells
Catering

Friday, July 31 "Party in the Park"
7pm at Carr Park in Manchester



SATURDAY FESTIVAL EVENTS - AUGUST 1, 2009

	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	
MAIN STAGE	Welcome to Riverfolk	Gemini (kids folk)	Kitty Donohoe (singer songwriter)	Jen Sygit (singer songwriter)	The Heaton's With Nic Gareiss	Wayward Roots (bluegrass)	Sunkwa (African jazz)	Kids Parade	5:00pm Matt Watroba 6:00pm Woody Pines & the Lonesome Two 7:00pm The Raisin Pickers & friends 8:00pm Matt & Shannon Heaton w/ Nic Gareiss 9:00pm Lissa Schneckeburger Trio 10:00pm Cedric Watson & Bijou Creole 11:00pm Billy King Band
KIDS AREA	Healthy Kids & Craft Area opens	Tie Dye area opens	Drum Circle Workshop	Gemini Bones Workshop	Kitty Donohoe (Michigan songs)	Drumcommunity Drum Circles	Gemini Family Concert	Kids Parade	
FIDDLE TENT	Fiddle Contest	Fiddle Contest	Fiddle Contest	Fiddle Workshop with Lissa Schneckeburger	Cajun Dance Workshop w/Gone Cajun	Cajun Dance w/ Bijou Creole	Cajun Dance w/ Bijou Creole		
SONG PARLOR	Songwriting Contest	Songwriting Contest	Songwriting Contest	Clogging Workshop w/ Nic Gareiss	Woody Pines & the Lonesome Two	Zenkora World Music Jam			

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assimilated their strengths and arrived at a sound all their own.

A distinguished string band that draws on that vast array of traditional musical influences, the Raisin Pickers feature Carol Wells Palms, (string bass, fiddle,

vocals) a classically trained string player. Palms said her interest in bluegrass was developed after visiting a festival in West Virginia.

"What struck me at the festival was that nobody was concerned with how well they were playing or how much training they had," she recalls. "They were more intrigued with, 'Oh, there's a tune I haven't learned yet, I'm going to go sit in on that one.'"

While Carol's family had fun playing popular music together for community events and TV, she and her brothers were also trained in classical music from their earliest years.

Mark Palms, (banjo, fiddle, guitar, vocals) a self-taught musician who chases the heritage of mountain music by studying banjo knee-to-knee with old-time legends and sharing what he's learned with audiences and students. An interest in musical heritage led Palms to music early on. He'd always known that his grandfather played and sang old songs, but seeing his dad pull out a banjo at a party once and strum "Sweet Georgia Brown" left him in awe.

"I was impressionable," he said, "And that spurred my interest in banjo playing." Palms taught himself to play guitar as a teenager and after several years

learned to read music. He joined Western Michigan University's School of Music's education department on a dare.

"I felt like I was sinking rather than swimming, and the only thing I really found any connection to was the guitar," he said. "I strolled in with my guitar and told them I just wanted to sing. I didn't have much previous training, and I'm not so sure I had any talent. But I had a lot of desire and they must have seen that written all over my face."

David Mosher (mandolin, fiddle, guitar, vocals), is one of southeast Michigan's most in-demand side men. As Mosher sets down his guitar after one song and reaches for his fiddle to play the next, the fluidity of motion represents years of practice mastering change.

As a child, Mosher did everything from musical theater to doo-op on stage, and today he makes his living as a musician playing in a variety of venues and alongside a wide range of top Michigan performers.

"I usually walk into a situation with a guitar, mandolin or fiddle. It suits my nature to be diverse. I'm a try-everything kind of person." With the Raisin Pickers as his home band, David applies his skills as a musician, vocalist, songwriter and producer.

PERFORM

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master classes and workshops from Irish dancer Colin Dunne, tap dancer Tarik Winston and sean-nós dancer Joe Néachtain. He is currently finishing his undergraduate work in music and anthropology at Central Michigan University.

Lissa Schneckenburger

Raised in a small town in Maine and now living in Vermont, Schneckenburger grew up with music. She began playing fiddle at the age of 6, inspired by her mother's interest in folk music and a family friend who was a professional violinist. Soon she was studying with influential Maine fiddler Greg Boardman and sitting in with the Maine Country Dance Orchestra.

By the time she was in high school she was playing concerts on her own, specializing in the sprightly New England dance tunes that combine influences from the British Isles and Quebec with homegrown twists that have been evolving since Colonial days. Another of her major influences was the diverse musical community that she found at fiddle camps, where she had a chance to play with and learn from a wide variety of musicians including noted Scottish fiddler Alasdair Fraser.

In 2001 she graduated from the New England Conservatory of Music with a degree in contemporary improvisation, and since then has been performing around the United States and internationally for a growing audience of enthusiasts.

tic listeners. She has recorded seven CDs, (four solo and three with various groups).

Schneckenburger's fiddling is uplifting and lively, and her singing is gentle and evocative. Both in concert and in the studio she is regularly accompanied by some of New England's best musicians, including guitarists Keith Murphy and Matt Heaton and double bassist Corey DiMario.

Recently she has been closely studying the roots of the Downeast traditional music that she first heard as a young girl. Her latest project is a pair of CDs dedicated to reintroducing some wonderful but largely forgotten songs and tunes from New England that she uncovered through archival research at the University of Maine and elsewhere.

Whether playing for a folk club audience or a hall full of dancers, Schneckenburger brings to the stage enthusiasm, energy and the bright future of New England's musical traditions.

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