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Saying thanks!

Chamber, Standard honor residents for local service

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea Mayor Ann Feeney and Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bob Pierce had a busy day last Wednesday. They teamed up to surprise the three local residents who were recipients of the 2009 Chelsea Citizen of the Year awards.

This award is co-sponsored by The Chelsea Standard and the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce.

The winner of the 2009 Citizen of the Year award was Nancy Harris, founder of Hearts Community Service and volunteer extraordinaire. Her surprise announcement

was made at her new resale shop, Bliss, located on the second floor of Cranesbill Books. Several of her colleagues were present for the announcement.

"Harris has only been a resident of Chelsea for five years, but what an impact she has made on our community," Pierce said.

This year, the Citizen of the Year committee chose to honor two of Chelsea's longtime community contributors: Bill Chandler and Will Johnson.

"Bill is one of those citizens who

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ABOVE: Nancy Harris (right) with Donna McDonald, who helped surprise Nancy with her being named the winner of the 2009 Citizen of the Year award. LEFT: Chelsea Mayor Ann Feeney with Bill Chandler, his wife, Margaret, and Bob Pierce, executive director of the Chelsea Area Chamber.



Mayor Ann Feeney presents Will Johnson, honored for his years of community service, the key to the city.

Charges against teenager dropped

By Art Aisher
Special Writer

Felony charges against a Chelsea-area man who furnished alcohol to two teens that died in a motorcycle crash in Sharon Township last year were dismissed last week, court records show.

Eric Smallwood, 19, was released by court order from the Washtenaw County Jail last week shortly after a single charge of allowing intoxicated persons to operate a motor vehicle causing death was dismissed by Washtenaw County Circuit Judge Donald Shelton.

Shelton granted Smallwood's request to throw the charges out after his attorney, Joe Simon, argued that prosecutors lacked the ability to determine what exactly caused the dirt bike that Ian Hughes and Anna Herter were riding on to veer off of Sylvan Road and crash into a steep ravine.

Both Hughes, 18, and Herter, 16, were riding without helmets and died of severe head injuries

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Mural returns to Post Office

Photos by Lisa Alimendinger

The Depression-era mural has been preserved and remounted on the wall at the new Chelsea Post Office building. The mural (above) was removed from above the postmaster's office at the old building in July and is now back on the wall at the new building. It was painted by George Harold Fisher.

John Sathus and Duk Ju L. Kim (right), conservators from Parma Conservation, roll out the Depression-era mural that was taken down from above the postmaster's office in the lobby of the old Chelsea Post Office building. It was restored and reinstalled at the new post office on Oct. 8.



Killips explains what cuts mean to Chelsea

By Crystal Hayduk
Special Writer

Chelsea Schools Superintendent David Killips confirmed that the state has approved a \$165 cut in per-student funding. It is also possible, Killips said, that further cuts will be approved later in the school year.

"Besides the direct cut to funding, there are many other hidden items that will increase expenses at the local level," Killips told the Chelsea School Board during Monday's meeting.

One of those "hidden" items will be bus inspections.

"The state used to cover the cost of required annual bus inspections, but now the district will have to pick up that cost," Killips explained. "There's no way around it. Without the annual inspections, the buses cannot be on the road."

The cost to the school district for bus inspections is unknown at this time.

Killips reiterated the importance of the enhancement millage at this crucial time. If the millage passes, it is expected to generate enough money to allow Chelsea School District to "... tread water only."

The current district budget is using \$1.4 million in equity fund monies, but without the millage, the district will quickly fall into deficit spending.

Currently, 20 districts statewide are bankrupt. With the forthcoming state budget cuts, an additional 100 of the 583 districts in the state will likely go bankrupt this school year.

The finance report was tabled until the next board meeting.

The board read through a number of potential changes to district policy regarding employee issues, weapons, email, and records. The changes may be approved as early as the next meeting on Oct. 26.

Upcoming events include Public Forums about the Enhancement Millage tonight and Tuesday. Both meetings will begin at 7 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center.

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Superintendents make plea for millage

Washtenaw County voters to have final say on November ballot

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

With the instability of state funding for Washtenaw County Schools, superintendents from across the district say the proposed Washtenaw Intermediate School District millage on the Nov. 3 ballot is a way to maintain adequate funding for local schools.

If passed, all of the proposed 2-mill levy will stay in Washtenaw County and will be used for operating budgets in the individual schools districts.

Charter schools will not benefit from the millage because they are not "constituent districts" of the WISD.

The ballot question asks voters to approve a 2-mill levy for five years, which would raise about \$30 million from 2009-2013 or about \$680 per student.

For a home valued at \$200,000 with a taxable value of \$100,000, this is a \$200 tax increase per year.

Revenue from the millage will be used for student programs and operational expenses, the superintendents said.

With estimated state per pupil cuts of \$165 and the potential for further reductions later this year, "in two years, we are

"The millage money would enhance the education of our students and provide programs."

BRYAN GIRBACH
Milan superintendent

looking at close to a reduction of \$600 per student and this millage will just about cover it," said Dave Killips, Chelsea's superintendent of schools.

Killips said the passage of the millage was crucial to the Chelsea School District, a statement echoed by other superintendents in the county.

"An ISD (Intermediate School District) millage is the only option we have under state law," Killips said.

Michigan law states "a regional enhancement millage may be levied by an intermediate school district to enhance other state and local funding for local school district operations if approved by a majority of the intermediate school electors voting on the question," according to millage proposal information.

Currently, Chelsea has about 2,600 students and a \$25 million

operating budget. Killips said the district has cut about \$7 million since 2002.

Chelsea receives \$7,650 per student from the state and lost about 40 students in the most recent student count day.

"Our chamber of commerce board of directors unanimously supported the millage," Killips said.

If the millage doesn't pass, he said there will have to be "significant cuts," naming extracurricular activities, transportation, programs and class size as possible areas where changes may have to take place.

In the Ann Arbor Public Schools, for instance, Superintendent Todd Roberts said the district already has cut about \$16 million during the last four years and is projecting "the need to cut \$15 million in the 2010-2011 school year."

This equates to a reduction of

more than 200 positions across the district.

He says it's time "to act locally to ensure the schools have the resources necessary to educate our children."

"Funding is an extremely important issue facing our district," Roberts said.

All the superintendents stressed that this millage should not be confused with bond issues that were recently passed in a number of districts.

"Bond issues are only used for capital projects," Killips said, adding that money cannot be used for day-to-day operations.

Milan Superintendent Bryan Girbach said bond money helps improve facilities.

"Millage money can help improve the education of the students while in those facilities," he said.

His district has about 2,600 students and a \$23 million operating budget.

The foundation grant for Milan students is \$7,316 per pupil.

"The millage money would enhance the education of our students and provide programs," Girbach said.

Rob Glass, Dexter superinten-

At a glance

District	2 Mills
Ann Arbor	\$11,209 million
Chelsea	\$1,805 million
Dexter	\$2,477 million
Lincoln	\$3,261 million
Manchester	\$665,950
Milan	\$1,778 million
Saline	\$3,748 million
Whitmore Lake	\$831,000
Willow Run	\$1,358 million
Ypsilanti	\$2,663 million
Total	\$30 million

dent of schools, said the main point of the millage is it's not for buildings or roofs.

"This is to preserve the programs we have and it's the best opportunity we have to hopefully add to what we are already offering," he said.

Glass said the Dexter Community Schools have a strategic plan that includes "all-day kindergarten, 21st century skills and best practices."

Glass said the district plans to go ahead with its strategic plan, but it will be done "on a shoestring" without the millage.

"We can do a better, more complete job" with the passage of the millage, he said.

Dexter schools have a \$6.5

million operating budget and 3,642 students. The district receives about \$8,000 per pupil from the state.

Saline Superintendent of Schools Scot Graden said his district is facing a \$900,000 shortfall.

"We're concerned for our future and we feel as though we can't count on Lansing," Graden said.

His district has a \$53 million operating budget and 5,450 students. The district receives \$7,643 per pupil and the district's count was down 30 students this year.

Lisa Allmendinger can be reached at lallmendinger@heritage.com or at 1-877-995-NEWS (6397).

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SPARK ignites development

Organization helps boost local economy

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

In fewer than four years, SPARK created 7,045 new jobs and helped keep 5,740 jobs in Washtenaw County.

SPARK, the local economic development organization for Washtenaw County, is challenged this year to continue that record of success despite the difficulties entrepreneurs face.

"We're inherently an entrepreneurial-oriented organization," said Elizabeth Parkinson of Saline, vice president of marketing and communications.

President and CEO Michael Finney has built an organization that shares in common with entrepreneurs their flexibility and adaptability, Parkinson said.

When SPARK staff identified the fact that there was a gap between the funding that entrepreneurs have available and the funding necessary to start their ventures, SPARK immediately set out to work with the state government and Washtenaw County to establish a pool of microloan funds.

The collaboration with Ann Arbor led to a \$1.25 million fund that goes out to business ventures in \$10,000 to \$50,000 pieces to aid companies that wouldn't otherwise qualify for other types of loans.

"Many companies are not yet at the stage in their business development where they would qualify for the Michigan Pre-Seed Capital Fund," Parkinson

The Facts

Other 2006 - 2008 Results

- 101 project successes; \$925 million new investment commitments.
- 155 innovation start-ups through SPARK Business Accelerator.
- Leveraged community investments to \$32.5 million through acquisition of federal and state funding, and equipment donation to Michigan Innovation Equipment Depot.
- Assisted 350 regional companies with employee searches.
- Assisted more than 3,000 job seekers with employment searches.

said.

Essentially, SPARK is all about putting money into the hands of those who will drive economic development and job creation in the county.

The microloan fund is just one of the many tools in the organization's toolbox, ranging from traditional economic development to business growth and support of innovative startup companies.

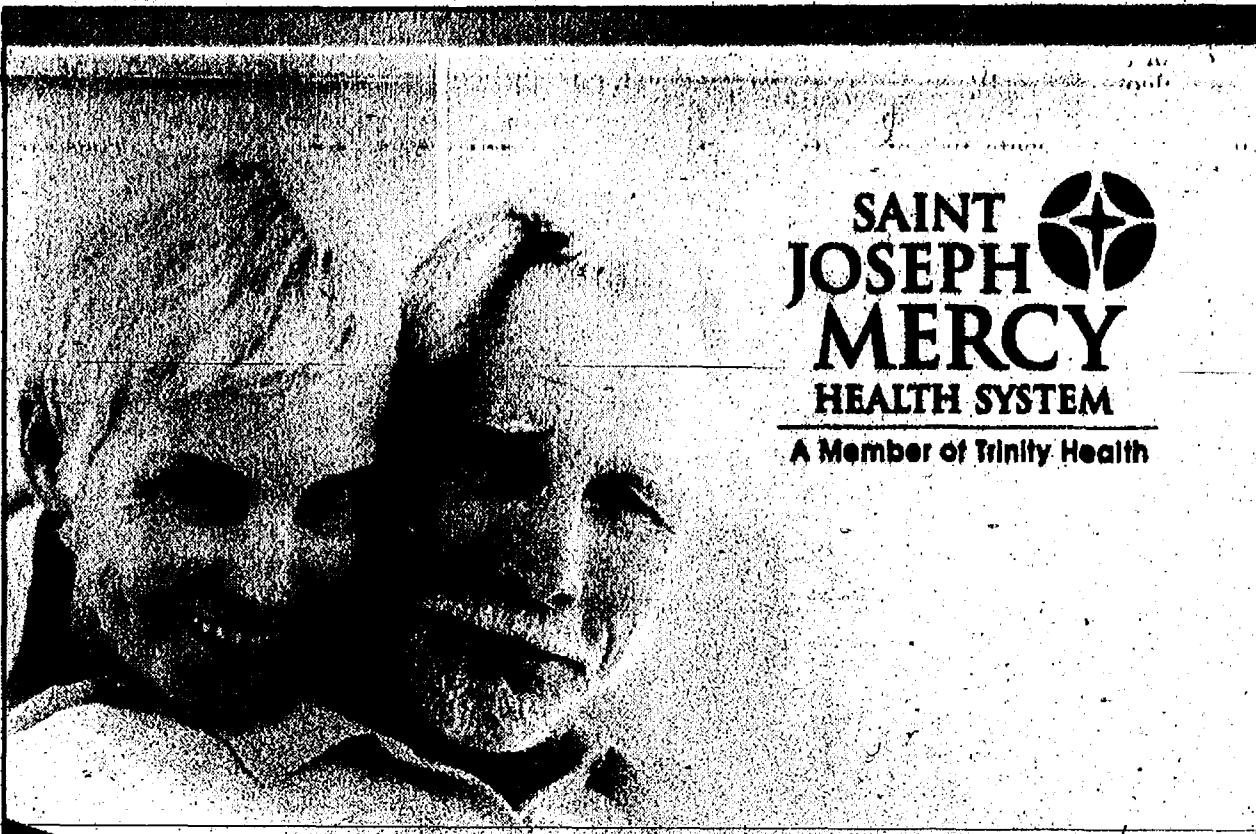
There are loans available for manufacturing companies that want to diversify into other industries, Industrial Revenue Bonds for companies trying to acquire/build/rehabilitate manufacturing facilities, county Land Bank Authority loans for companies looking to purchase blighted land for economic repurposing and a range of Small Business Administration loans for various endeavors.

The level of involvement from SPARK depends on the type of loan. SPARK administers IRB; whereas, SBA loans are handled by the Small Business Administration and Land Bank Authority loans come from the county Land Bank Authority. Diversification loans are a Michigan Economic Development Corp. program.

The development corporation also administers a number of

grant programs that SPARK can plug entrepreneurs and their

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Millage forums

The Chelsea School District will host two public forums to discuss the Washtenaw Intermediate School Enhancement Millage. The forums are scheduled for 7 p.m. tonight and Tuesday. Both will be held at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

Candidate Forum

The Chelsea Chamber of Commerce will host a City Candidate forum from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at the Washington Street Education Center. The moderator for the evening will be Steve Olsen, past president of the Chamber. The two-hour event will include one hour for questions to the candidates from the audience. Audience members will be provided with cards and writing instruments. They can submit written questions for all or individual candidates. Scheduled candidates include Jason Lindauer, who is running unopposed for mayor, and Ann Feeney, Cheri Albertson, Kent Martinez-Kratz, Frank Hammer and Richard Steele, all of whom are contending for three City Council seats.

Food for FIA

On Saturday, five Cub Scouts from Pack 445 collected pop bottles and cans from Lane Wood subdivision. They collected \$138 and were able to purchase 11 bags of food to be donated to Faith in Action. The pop bottle and can drive will happen each month as an ongoing service to the Chelsea community. The next drive is scheduled for Nov. 21. The scouts will canvas the Pulte Sub, Railroad and McKinley Streets. If you would like to have someone pick up your donation of bottles, cans or cash, contact Peggy Cashman at 475-3415 or mykdzmom@comcast.net to make arrangements.

Coat drive

Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors is collecting clean, gently used kids coats and snow bibs as part of the "One Warm Coat" community service project. Coats of all shapes and sizes are welcome. "One Warm Coat" is dedicated to distributing reusable coats, free of charge, directly to local children. The program is an easy way for you and your family to pass along coats and jackets that you no longer need. Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors has made donating a coat simple. Just bring your clean, gently used coats and jackets to 1101 S Main St. in Chelsea, next to the new Post Office from Oct. 21-31. All donated coats will be given to Chelsea's Faith in Action for direct distribution to local children in need. In addition, during this time period anyone bringing in a coat or bibs for donation will receive 25 percent off a purchase of children's Columbia outerwear or boots. "One Warm Coat" is national non-profit organization that supports and encourages coat drives. It helps individuals, groups, companies and organizations across the country collect coats and deliver them to local agencies that distribute the coats free to people in need. More than one million coats have been provided to those in need at no cost since its inception in 1992. For more information, contact Aberdeen Bike & Outdoors at www.aberdeen-bike.com or 734-475-8203.

Business After Hours

Youth Dance Theatre of Michigan, Inc., and Chelsea Chamber Players will co-host Business After Hours from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22 at the Washington Street Education Center. Join the chamber for an evening of the arts! Enjoy artistic collaboration as dancers perform to music by Chelsea Chamber Players. Refreshments will be served. Visit their Web sites for additional information: www.youthdancetheatre.org and www.chelseachamberplayers.com. Please RSVP for this event by calling the Chamber Office at 475-1145 by Monday.

Sounds & Sights CD

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Calling Class of 1989

Organizers are looking for classmates from the Chelsea High School class of 1989. Their 20-year reunion is scheduled for Oct. 24. Contact Christina Kothe at Kekothe71@aol.com for more information.

Adoption Festival

The Chelsea First United Methodist Church will host an


"Adoption Festival" from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1. The event is the third annual celebration of domestic, foster care and international adoption. The festival will allow guests to meet others touched by adoption. There will be games and crafts and a light dinner will be provided. Guests are encouraged to bring a dessert to share. Donations will be accepted on behalf of A Child's Hope Foundation. The Chelsea First United Methodist Church is located at 128 Park Street, Chelsea. For more information, e-mail touchedbyadoption@sbcglobal.net or check them out on Facebook at Touched By Adoption.

'Around Town with Linda'

"Around Town with Linda" will feature Janice Orthing of Yellow Door Project and Edgar Norman Creative, beginning today. "Around Town with Linda" features interviews conducted by the local host Linda Meloche. The show airs daily on Channel 18 at 7:30 a.m., noon, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. A new interview begins every Thursday evening and runs for a week. The guests all live or work in Chelsea, and everyone connected with the show is a volunteer. Previous shows are available to view at McKune Memorial Library.

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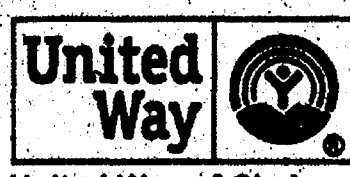
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Autumn tradition

Local orchards, cider mills offer plenty of fun, variety

By Sara Waisanen
Special Writer

Apple seeds have turned brown and are ready for picking and apples have been mashed and made into cider. Doughnuts climb out of hot grease to be rolled in sugar and pumpkins are waiting to be picked in the patch.

All over Washtenaw County, cider mills and apple farmers have been preparing their harvest. There are more than 100 different varieties of apples to try and many different orchards to visit in this area.

Here is a look at just a few of your orchard options.

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Overview: For the past 24 years, Jim and Nancy Jedeles have worked to make Berry Hill Farm a place where people can enjoy the benefits of an autumn day in Michigan.

"It's a really pretty piece of property," Nancy said. "People can enjoy just being outside."

Berry Hill Farm does not offer apple picking, but they have plenty of fresh picked apples for purchase.

Red Delicious, Ida Red and Empire apples are just a few of the varieties available at Berry Hill Farm. A half pack of apples costs \$4.

The Jedeles have a 4-acre pumpkin patch and pumpkins cost about 25 cents a pound. Wheelbarrows and wagons are provided to bring the pumpkins out of the patch.

Berry Hill Farm will have U-Pick raspberries until the middle of October, or until they last, for \$2.50 a pint.

"We're the low key guys," Nancy said. "It's a place to bring your little ones."

Berry Hill Farm will be open until Oct. 31.

Dexter Cider Mill

Where: 3685 Central Street, Dexter

Phone: 734-426-8531

Hours: Wednesday to Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Overview:

The Dexter Cider Mill is the oldest run cider mill in Michigan and has been in operation since 1886. Richard and Katherine Koziski, along with their daughter Nancy Steinhauer and family, have been running the cider mill for the past 22 years.

"There are people who have come here for years and years," Richard said. "It's become a tradition."

Richard and his family work every day to make the smoothest tasting cider out of a variety of different apples that they get from their own small orchard in Chelsea and five local apple growers.

On any given day about 800 pounds of apples will get cleaned, ground and pressed into apple cider and bottled on the premises. They can press about 40 bushels at a time in about 35 to 40 minutes on equipment that is more than 100



Nancy Steinhauer, owner of the Dexter Cider Mill, lifts a crate of apples that will be washed, mashed and pressed into apple cider.

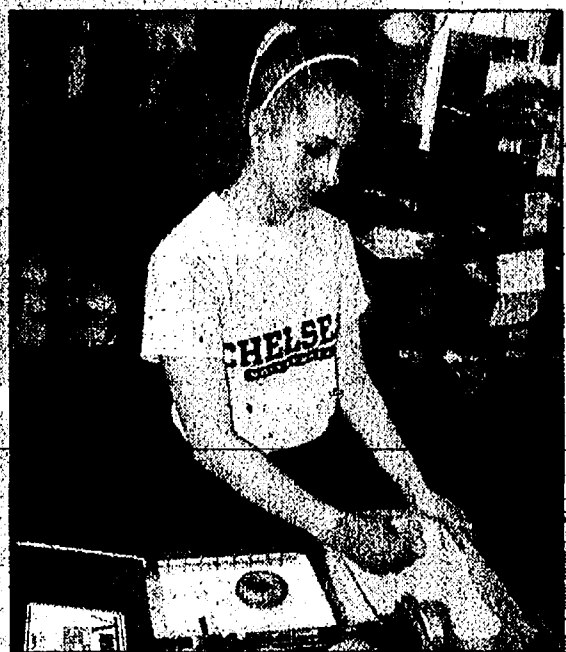
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Katherine Koziski stands in front of her homemade pastries that will be sold in the Dexter Cider Mill store. She has written a cookbook called "The Dexter Cider Mill Apple Cookbook."



Cayla Redmond, a freshman at Western Michigan University, dips a fresh picked apple into caramel at the Dexter Cider Mill. She has been working at the mill since she was a freshman in high school.



Marissa Elwart, a senior at Chelsea High School dips doughnuts in sugar after they've been fried. Elwart has been working at the Dexter Cider Mill since eighth grade.



Richard Koziski stands by pressing equipment that is more than 100 years old and is still used to make apple cider.



Richard Koziski fills a gallon jug with fresh apple cider.



The Dexter Cider Mill. The two apple blossoms represent Richard and Katherine and the four apples represent their four daughters.

Hours: Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Overview:

The Lesser family has been in the apple-selling business for 46 years and in the "farm business" for five generations. "We're an old-fashioned working farm," Amy Lesser said.

The Lessers offer 15 different varieties of apples that are freshly picked for \$15 a bushel and go down in price to \$3 for a half pack.

"This year is the biggest harvest we've ever seen," Amy said. "My husband can't pick them fast enough."

Also for sale is honey from their beehives, fresh eggs, homemade soap, pumpkins and cider.

The Lesser Farm and Orchard will have regular hours through Nov. 1. After Nov. 1, they will be open on Fridays and Saturdays and by appointment.

"It's a beautiful drive out here," she said. "It's quiet and peaceful."

Wasem Fruit Farm

Where: 6580 Judd Road, Milan

Phone: 734-482-2342

Hours: Everyday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Overview:

Bruce and Jan Upston have been in business as a fruit farm for 50 years.

They raise 25 different varieties of apples and offer U-pick apples as well as cider, doughnuts and picked apples for sale.

There are designated roads for U-pick apples and the roads change throughout the season. Customers can drive or walk down the roads and pick apples by the half-bushel or bushel. It costs \$23 for a bushel of u-pick apples and \$12.50 for a half bushel.

A variety of different doughnuts are for sale for \$7 a dozen, ranging in flavor from plain to pumpkin.

The Upston's can be found at the Ann Arbor Farmers' Market on Saturdays and Wednesdays. They sell apples, pears, plums, donuts, caramel apples, cider and jams at their table.

"We pride ourselves on being a working farm," Bruce said.

Wiard's Orchard and County Fair

Where: 5565 Merritt Road, Ypsilanti

Phone: 734-482-7744

Orchard hours: Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

County Fair hours: Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Overview:

Wiard's Orchard has been around since 1853 and they've been offering Wiard County Fair for 25 years. Known for their family entertainment, Wiard's offers activities from hayrides to "night terrors" and everything in between.

"This is one of the most awesome things for families to do in the fall," said Wiard's special events coordinator Rose Timbers.

The admission fee for the County Fair is \$11.50 and includes 16 all-day activities for families.

Some of the activities offered at Wiard's County Fair include a corn maze, an animal petting farm and tractor races. For a full list of activities, visit their Web site at www.wiards.com.

"In this economy it's a lot of bang for your buck," Timbers said.

At night, Wiard's scares people with their "night terrors." The grounds are said to be haunted and people have to face their fears when they enter the haunted house.

"It's for people who want to get the light scared out of them," Timbers said.

But, Wiard's doesn't just focus on the entertainment

years old.

"We're preserving a process that's been here over 100 years," Richard said.

There are three different types of ciders throughout the apple season. There is an early season cider that has a dryer finish, a mid season cider that could be compared to a char-donnay and a late season cider

that has a more robust color and flavor.

The cider mill is on the cusp of the late season and will be using Ida Red, Red and Yellow Delicious and Granny Smiths in their last batches for the season.

The Dexter Cider Mill also bakes fresh donuts, pies and pastries daily that are for sale

in the store. The bakery portion of the cider mill is headed by Katherine Koziski, who has spent most of her life in a kitchen and has created her own award winning apple cookbook, for sale locally and in the cider mill's store.

For all the work that goes into a cider mill, it doesn't feel like work to Richard.

"It's a passion," he said. "It's not work. I think everybody should be that lucky."

Lesser Farms and Orchard

Where: 12651 Island Lake Road, Dexter

Phone: 734-426-8009

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Milan Library Director Susan Wess has seen an increase in foot traffic at the library in the last year. More people are turning to the library for computers and the Internet.

Local libraries enjoy boom

From Staff Reports

Library directors across the area are reporting increases in usage, in part, they say because of the economy, and in some cases because of new or expanded buildings.

Computer usage is at an all-time high in area libraries

with people job hunting or applying for unemployment benefits.

In addition, circulation numbers are up for not just books but also CDs and DVDs, and classes and reading programs

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SPARK

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employees into, such as the Emerging Technologies Fund, the Small Business Innovative Resources matching fund and the Jobs Training Grant.

Michigan Economic Growth Authority grants are also out there for the creation of standard and high-tech jobs, as well as to incentivize job retention when a company is considering closure or relocation.

"For assisting with business growth/retention and attraction, we partner with the Michigan Economic Development Corp. and the local municipalities for available state and local programs targeted at job growth and capital investment," Parkinson said.

"For start-up business assistance, we have a Business Accelerator tool kit, which consists of business planning assistance, entrepreneur education, SPARK Bootcamp, access to funding — pre-seed and microloan — business critical introductions, IP acquisition and networking and educational events.

SPARK also operates three incubators for supporting start-up companies that need business and lab space — two businesses and one life science wet lab.

SPARK also partners with more than 20 other organizations to maximize the resources available to companies of any size, including Washtenaw County Michigan Works/ETCS, the Chambers and the Small Business Technology Development Center.

"As a matter of fact, interest from entrepreneurs trying to start businesses is up three-fold this year."

ELIZABETH PARKINSON

Vice president of communications and marketing, SPARK

Right now, companies are taking the most advantage of Business, Retention, Expansion and Attraction and start-up support, Parkinson said.

"As a matter of fact, interest from entrepreneurs trying to start businesses is up three-fold this year," she said. "So far this year, we have received over 300 Business Accelerator inquiries."

Of 26 successful projects this year, companies have agreed under the terms of their funding agreements to bring \$120 million in capital investments and 1,910 jobs to Michigan. Retention, growth and attraction highlights from '08 and '09 include Systems In Motion, CAS-MI, Proquest, Dexter Research, Molded Materials, AVL Powertrain, Aernnova, Barracuda, Terumo Cardiovascular and Axiobionics.

"We have worked on 26 retention/growth and attraction projects this year and have assisted over 50 entrepreneurs through our Business Accelerator. We are also seeing a steady demand for our talent enhancement resources," Parkinson said.

More than 75 jobs were posted to the SPARK job portal at <http://www.annarborusa.org/career-services> last month and more than 10 companies participated in SPARK's last monthly Hot Shots career event, which

match hiring companies with qualified job seekers. They are also currently assisting a number of companies with specific job searches.

Parkinson said SPARK is on track to continue offering pro-

grams, resources, and proactive support to businesses at every stage — from start-ups to large already-established facilities whose owners wish to expand them.

"We achieve our mission by going beyond facilitation and by developing and managing programs, entrepreneurial education, events, managing investment funds and then making any of our programs and processes available through our practice of Open Source Economic Development," she said.

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They want children to know that apples don't come from off a shelf at the store. They take the time to teach kids how an apple orchard operates and how the apple process works.

They have U-pick apples and pumpkins, as well as fresh already-picked apples for sale. Wiard's has a cider mill and a donut shop and offers 14 varieties of apples.

"We are family entertainment and we have farm experience for people to be a part of," Timbers said.

Wiard's Orchard and County Fair will be open until Nov. 1.

Lutz Orchard

Where: 11030 Macon Road, Saline
Phone: 734-429-5145
Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon; Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Overview: Apple trees were first planted on Lutz Orchard in 1928. The Lutz family has been picking apples and working the farm ever since.

"There's a story behind all these apples," said Ruth Brosamle, sister of owner Bill Lutz. "We have a number of old varieties."

One of the apples grown at the Lutz Orchard is the Road Island Greening, which is green in color and dates to the 1700s.

If you were to plant the seeds of a Road Island Greening you wouldn't get a Road Island Greening, Brosamle said. Somebody realized the apples were good and saved the seed-

lings and that is why that apple is grown on their orchard.

Lutz Orchard offers U-pick apples and already-picked apples for sale. A bushel costs \$15 and a half-bushel is \$8. Their large pies cost \$18 and \$10 for small varieties.

They also sell Asian pears, locally grown honey for \$2 to \$4 and beeswax candles for \$5 a pair.

The Lutz Orchard has sheep, a lama and calves and they can show people how the milking process works.

"It's a small orchard," Brosamle said. "We're the opposite end of the spectrum."

Alber Orchard and Cider Mill

Where: 13011 Bethel Church Road, Manchester
Phone: 734-428-9310
Hours: Tuesday through Friday, noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Closed Mondays

Overview:

For the past 10 years, Mike and Therese Bossory have been working to create a farm atmosphere for people to enjoy at Alber Orchard and Cider Mill.

Their land was deeded in 1832 by President Andrew Jackson, and started operating as an orchard and cider mill in 1881.

Today there are more than 100 varieties of apples in their orchard on 20 acres of trees.

If someone hasn't heard of an apple, "we slice the apples up for people to try," Therese said.

The Bossory's press about 400 gallons of cider a day and their cider can be brought home and frozen for up to a year.

When the orchard and cider mill first started operating, straw was used to press the apples. Some improvements have been made to the equipment and today the machine uses a rack and cloth press to make cider.

Apples range in price from \$23 to \$18.90 a bushel.

Also at the orchard is a seven-

acre corn maze in the shape of a spider in a web. There are questions about spiders throughout the maze that, if answered correctly, lead to the right way out of the maze.

Throughout the apple season, Alber Orchard and Cider Mill offers special events. For a full listing of events, go to www.alberorchard.com.

Alber Orchard and Cider Mill will be open until the weekend before Thanksgiving.

"It's really hilly and people really like the drive," Therese said. "It's really beautiful."

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OUR TAKE: Editorial

Proposal for year-round school should be studied

The idea of students attending school year-round has been with us for several decades.

Yet not many school districts offer it.

One school that does is Kurtz Elementary School in Milford. It is part of the Huron Valley Schools, which serves the communities of Milford, Highland, Commerce and White Lake.

Lake Orion Community Schools also has a year-round calendar at its Carpenter Elementary School.

In both districts, parents living anywhere within the district's boundaries may opt to enroll their children in the school.

Residents of both schools speak highly of the year-round system.

"The students experience learning throughout all four seasons," says Dale Phillips, principal of Kurtz.

Meanwhile, "Carpenter parents really love the calendar," says Kerri Anderson, principal of Carpenter Elementary.

"There's always a waiting list."

The school teaches kindergarten through the fifth grade and has a student population of about 450 students. Enrollment to the

school is decided on a lottery basis.

Among the benefits of attending school year-round is that students get a more consistent learning curriculum. When they return after a break or vacation, there's not as much time needed to review what they should have learned the previous term.

And it's not as though the students don't get time off.

At Carpenter, school began Aug. 3 and will go through June 18 next year, giving the students a six-week summer break. They also will have weeklong breaks called intersessions in November, February and May, and have all the typical holiday breaks, as well.

The schedule at Kurtz is a little different, as students' first day is after Labor Day. The year-round students get two intersession breaks in November, February and May, and their summer break consists of the month of August.

Neither school schedule is considered a true year-round calendar, which generally refers to a schedule of 45 days in class followed by 15 days off. But it certainly varies from the "traditional" school year.

The difference, officials and parents say,

is noticeable.

"You can always see in the traditional schedule, it gets long and you can tell the kids are ready for a break," Anderson says. "(At Carpenter) just when you think they're ready for a break, we have a break."

A year-round school, or variation of it, seems like a good idea.

It may not be suitable for every student or every school district, but it should at least be offered as an option and considered or studied for its financial feasibility and parent interest.

The old system of taking the summer off dates back to when most of Michigan was a rural, farming area and the parents needed their youngsters to help plant the crops and operate the farms.

With education such a necessity today, year-round school should be considered as an option that might enhance learning.

Obviously, if the benefits don't outweigh the drawbacks, then it shouldn't be instituted. However, that doesn't appear to be the case with at least the Kurtz and Carpenter schools.

YOUR VOICE: Letters to the Editor

Appeal term limits so we can get job done

Speaking of déjà vu, haven't we all seen our legislators in Lansing wait until the midnight hour, use one-time tricks, refuse to enact structural change, and make our state a laughing stock in its attempt to settle on a budget?

Wasn't that just two years ago?

As a longtime citizen of the Great Lakes State, I am tired of the alternatively boorish and amateurish efforts of our state Legislature.

The answer is repeal the state Constitution's term limits amendments, voted on in 1992 and effective in 1993. It limits state House member to three terms, or six years, and limits state senators to two terms, or eight years. The result has been a Legislature filled with members who have no experience, and have little idea how to get anything done.

Citizens of Michigan voted in favor of term limits to exclude "career politicians" and the corruption that tends to cause. I, for one, would rather have a jaded, career politician who can get things done in office, than a bunch of earnest, but ineffective, yeoman politi-

cians.

How many more of these silly marathon budget sessions must we endure, while all other needs of our state sit on the sidelines?

Please, let's repeal the term limits laws.

Robert Gordon
Ann Arbor

Legislators should pass ACES bill

I am writing concerning legislation currently pending in Washington, the American Clean Energy and Security Act, known as ACES. It passed the U.S. House by a narrow margin in late June, and is scheduled to be taken up by the Senate.

ACES is our country's first real effort to systematically mitigate our country's growing carbon and particulate footprint. It would also create approximately 52,000 jobs in Michigan.

In December, in Copenhagen, there will be an international panel on climate change meeting to set up the successor language to the Kyoto Protocol of 1997. If the United States intends, as it should, to show leadership to China, India, and

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GUEST OPINION: Froma Harrop What Americans really want is healthcare reform

"O bama's Speech Doesn't Turn the Tide," reads an ABC News headline about new poll results on public reaction to the president's address on healthcare reform. That's an interesting take, given that the tide doesn't need turning. The ABC/Washington Post poll found the public evenly divided in being for or against the reform proposals, with the support firming. Democrats should find the poll results encouraging, given the lies, half-truths and confusion that reform's foes have sown across America all summer.

Another new, actually amazing, survey just appeared in the New England Journal of Medicine. It found that 73 percent of physicians support a public option — the government-run health plan that Republicans say they're trying to save them from. Even in the South, the region least receptive to the public option, 68 percent of doctors favored it.

And so why have so many supporters of healthcare reform become so timid about defending their vision for what should happen? Because they've been exposed to all that right-wing barking about "what the American people want." What the people want, according to reform's enemies, just happens to be what their cash masters in the insurance industry want.

It's one thing for the right to believe its own propaganda. That's to be expected. But it's astounding to see how easily those who purport to gauge the public's reaction fall for it. Assessing public opinion based on the town hall theatrics reminds one of the "applause meters" used on the old TV talent scout shows to determine the winner. The louder the applause, the greater the talent.

Back to the ABC News/Washington Post survey. It also reports a 48-48 tie between those who approve of Obama's handling of health care and those who don't. But what does that mean?

How many of those who disapprove of reforms drawn by Congress — or Obama's handling of the matter — are actually ardent supporters of the enterprise? How many, far from opposing such changes, are simply peeved at the watering down of the reforms and Obama's passivity in defending them?

This analysis is backed by the response to another question on the same poll.

It asked how you feel about having the government create a new health insurance plan to compete with private health insurance plans. This is the public option, which reform's passionate opponents condemn as a Trojan horse that would push the country down the path of socialism.

According to the poll, some 55 percent of Americans want a public option, with only 42 percent against it. That level of support was actually up slightly from a month earlier.

Here we have two recent polls showing significant backing for the public option. Ordinary Americans are for it. And physicians — the group with one of the biggest stakes in health care reform — are even more strongly in favor. (It's odd how few polls have sought the views of doctors, those most intimate with the medical system.)

So how did the public option become such a boogeyman that even moderate Democrats feel they must run from it? Or are some of them also on the insurers' campaign payroll?

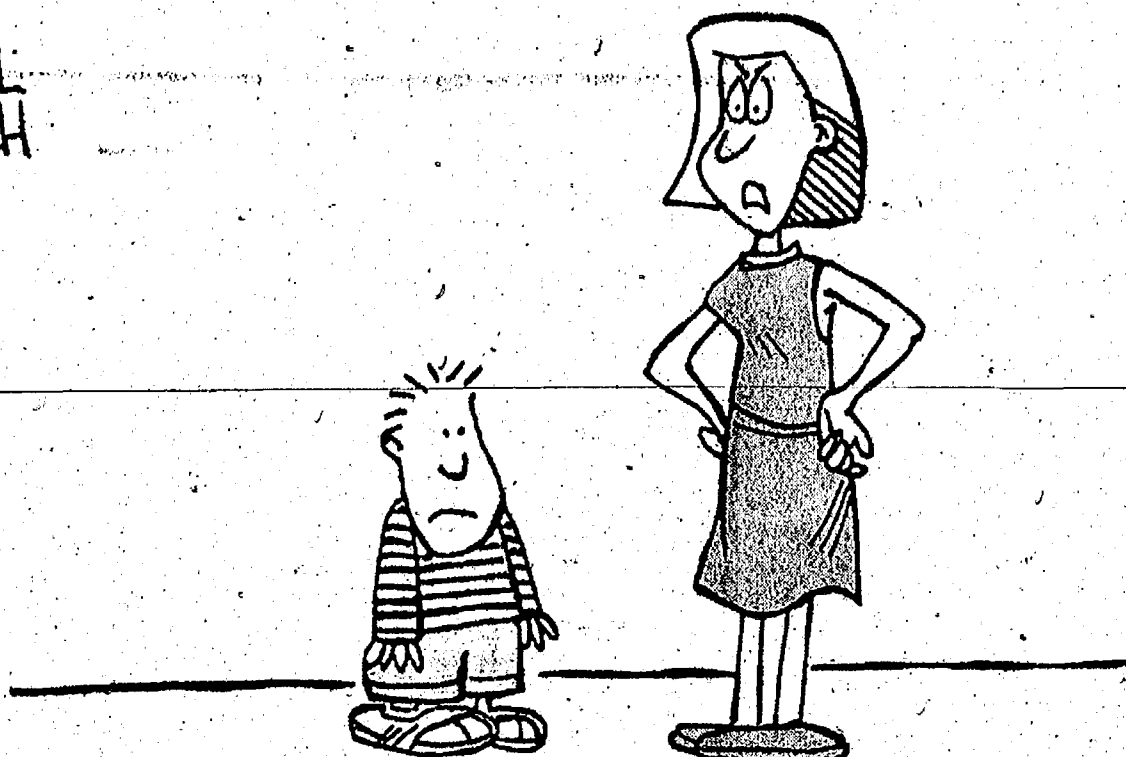
The best answer goes back to that smoke-and-mirrors operation that puffed up an impression of growing anger at the reforms — a few activists successfully drowning out the voices of a much larger and quiet public.

Interesting how the right complains of "the liberal media" while turning so many of them into their dupes.

The real story here wasn't that Obama's speech failed to turn the tide in support for the health reforms. It's that the tide favoring them remained high and was no longer ebbing. Health care reform is what the American people really want.

Read more from Froma Harrop and others at the Creators Syndicate, www.creators.com

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"THERE IS NO 'UPON FURTHER REVIEW'...NO GO TO YOUR ROOM."

Now is the time to start following county government

Just like some people watch baseball instead of football, some people pay attention to city government instead of what the state Legislature is doing.

It's all about taste. In interests for sports and how local your concerns are with government, and it's different for every individual — or so I thought.

One commonality we recently found in one of our Web polls is that folks aren't paying attention to county government. Only 4 percent of participants listed the county as the level of government that they pay the most attention to in their daily lives.

On one hand, that's understandable. City and township government are as local as it gets and those governmental bodies are dealing with property issues, which are always an attention getter.

State government is pretty important, what with government shutdowns and continuing budget crises that affect us all.

Federal government has become a cable news soap opera, so it's hard not to pay attention to it.

On the other hand, county government is extremely important.

Let's set aside the fact that county government is in charge of the sheriff's office, which is the only alternative to Michigan State Police service if a community can't afford to hire its own police. I am not to knock the

Michigan State Police, but they're understaffed and spread thin.

Open up www.ewashtnaw.org sometime and check out the quick links drop down menu for a quick, concise way to see what your county does for you

every day.

Courts, birth records, building inspections, drains, elections, jail, the medical examiner and parks are something that everyone directly or passively enjoys in not just Washtenaw County, but any functioning county.

Your county also provides some services that you hopefully will never have to use, such as AIDS testing, community mental health, HIV/STD clinic, Head Start, homeless services and public defenders.

Even if you don't end up leaning on any of these services, it's great that they're there for those who need them. It directly makes those people's lives better and indirectly strengthens your community.

This will be news to 96 percent of you, I presume — the county is in a budget crisis.

As you read this County Administrator Bob Guenzel, his staff and the County Board of Commissioners are frantically negotiating with the unions to cut benefits and/or pay or eliminate jobs and spread that workload to whomever remains.

The alternative is cutting some county services, either in part or entirely to close the multi-million dollar deficit that Washtenaw County faces next fiscal year alone.

I don't know too many city or township governments who are in as bad a shape as the county right now.

Of course, the state is in shambles, so keep paying attention to that.

But please find some time to learn about what the county does for your community and the communities that surround you.

I could write all day about the dozens of departments and organizations that answer to the county administrator and the county commission, but you should probably see for yourself at www.ewashtenaw.org.

Those county commissioners also tell me they love to hear from their constituents.

Why not put that theory to the test by directing a little intellectual curiosity their way. Sean Dalton can be reached at sdalton@heritage.com or 429-7380.



SEAN DALTON

Hospital receives national award

Chelsea Community Hospital announced late last month that it has received a competitive award of \$2,500 to be used for increasing awareness of the benefits for screening for diabetes and pre-diabetes that are offered by Medicare.

CCH was one of 13 community-based organizations across the United States, and the only in Michigan, chosen to receive an award from the Medicare Diabetes Screening Project (MDSP), a national coalition of government agency, nonprofit organization and corporate partners, that is leading the way in encouraging seniors to improve their health by getting checked for diabetes.

"We are thrilled to receive this award from the MDSP because it allows us to increase our outreach to seniors in Chelsea,"

said Joanne Grosh, director of community and senior health services. "Increasing awareness of diabetes and the need for appropriate screening is in line with our mission and complements other disease prevention and health promotion activities already underway."

CCH plans to use the \$2,500 grant to distribute educational materials to seniors through various avenues, including physician offices, senior living communities, public lectures, newsletter articles, and churches.

Beginning in 2005, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) began offering coverage under Medicare for screening for diabetes and pre-diabetes. The government's goal was twofold: to encourage diabetes prevention among those found to have pre-diabetes, and

to identify people who were unaware they already had diabetes so that they could begin treatment and potentially stave off the serious complications of the disease.

The Medicare Diabetes Screening Project is designed to help improve the lives of seniors ages 65 and older by educating them about the diabetes screening benefits offered by Medicare and encouraging them to ask their health care providers about

getting screened during their next office visit. Founded in 2006, the MDSP is comprised of a coalition of more than 20 government agency, nonprofit organization and corporate partners, co-led by the American Diabetes Association, the Healthcare Leadership Council, and Novo Nordisk.

More information and materials for public awareness are available at www.screenfordiabetes.org.

GOP opposes WISD millage increase

The Washtenaw County Republican Party is asking voters to oppose the millage increase proposed by the Washtenaw Intermediate School District. The millage increase request will be on the Nov. 3 ballot.

"The proposed 2 mill (\$30 million) annual tax increase will push already struggling taxpayers over the edge, causing them to lose their homes, and further weakening the tax base of the county," said Wyckham Seelig, vice chairman of the WCRP. "It will achieve nothing beyond putting a temporary bandage on a fundamentally flawed educational finance and expenditure system."


"In addition, it will further complicate the already too-complex system of education funding

we now have in the County, making it even more difficult for taxpayers to understand where their tax dollars are being spent."

Seelig said he believes what is needed now is a "serious, non-stop cost control effort."

"School officials tell us that labor costs amount to up to 85 percent of their budgets, and, given the economic difficulties which the state now confronts, there is simply no way to fix the system without significant modifications in teacher compensation packages," he said.

Seelig said that the Republican Party believes that turning down this millage will force educators to confront the changes needed to create a stable system, not just for today's students, but for generations to come.



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To Friends of
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Please accept our heartfelt thanks for all of the love and support that you have given to all of us over the past 15 months. Ellen "Fought Fiercely" for most of her struggle. She was able to enjoy seven family trips in the past year. She never had to take any pain medication after her surgery in June of 2008 and she died peacefully in her sleep comforted by your prayers, concern and caring. She and her family are so thankful to be a part of this wonderful community of Dexter for the past 40 years. We are so grateful for the many prayers, gifts of time, food, flowers, cards and other expressions of love and caring from so many. We especially want to thank Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Junck, Dr. Lawrence, Dr. Heth and her other healthcare providers at the University of Michigan Cancer Center and Hospital for their caring ways, concern and expertise; the members of our Dexter United Methodist Church family and pastors, Matt and Steve, for their incredible support in so many ways; Karl Jennings and Todd Borek during the days immediately following her death; and all of Ellen's friends near and far whose calls, prayers and ongoing interest made her journey so much better. We also want to thank Board Members and Staff of Huron Valley Ambulance, Dexter Community Schools, Dexter Village and DDA, Michigan From The Heart, United Methodist Retirement Communities and Silver Maples of Chelsea for their kindness and support. And we want to thank the Dexter Leader for printing "Ellen's Story," which she wanted to share with anyone who might be inspired by it. She felt tremendous comfort, support and love from so many of you. While we miss her very much, we take great comfort from having experienced the overwhelming support of so many in our community.

Thank You,
Dick Lundy and Family



FINKBEINER, LUCILE E., age 95; of Chelsea, MI; an elegant and grand lady; passed away Friday, October 9, 2009, at Chelsea Community Hospital. She was born on November 29, 1913, in Lima Township, MI, the daughter of Charles and Ella (Reno) Finkbeiner. She graduated from Michigan State Normal College (E.M.U.) on June 22, 1936, and received her Master's Degree from the University of Michigan. Lucile taught 5th grade for 43 years in the Plymouth-Canton School District and was a lifelong member of Chelsea First United Methodist Church, where she played organ for 10 years. She was also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, Alpha Rho Chapter (Honorary Teacher's Society) and had traveled extensively both in the U.S. and Europe. She is survived by two nieces, Marilyn (Ralph) Boeker of Tucson, AZ, and Marjorie (Chuck) Davis of Seattle, WA; six grandnieces and nephews; six great grandnephews and niece; and her wonderful caregivers for many years, Anna and John Boote and Margaret Bear. The family will receive friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. and at the church on Thursday from 10 a.m. until the hour of service. Funeral Services will be held Thursday, October 15, 2009, at 11 a.m. from the Chelsea First United Methodist Church with Rev. Barbara Lakin-Lewis officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Cemetery, Chelsea. Memorial contributions may be made to the Music Program at Chelsea First United Methodist Church.

MILLS, DOROTHY ANN, of Saline, MI; age 86; passed away Friday, October 2, 2009, at the Evangelical Home in Saline. Cremation has taken place. A Memorial Service will be announced at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline. Please check our website at

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GIRVAN, MARGARET REGINA, nee OESTERLE; age 89; died peacefully on August 19, 2009, in Eustis, FL. Margaret "Peggy" was born March 21, 1920, in Chelsea, MI. She was the daughter of Frederick Oesterle and Theresa (Gritzer) Oesterle. She was the middle child of 11 children. She moved to Ann Arbor, MI, in 1937 to work for King Seeley as an assembly worker. She met Edward Girvan (from Kilbirnie, Scotland) at a dance at the Pittsfield Grange in Pittsfield Township, MI. They were married on May 4, 1940, at St. Thomas The Apostle Church in Ann Arbor. Eddie and Peggy raised two children, Grace Margaret and John Edward. She was very committed to volunteer activities. She was the Chairperson of the Red Cross Motor Service (driving disabled children to day camp and transporting donated organs for transplants). She also worked together with her husband, Edward, head of Quality Control at Argus Camera and a professional photographer, to run a portrait printing business in their home. In 1958, Peggy suffered a tragic loss when her husband, Eddie, age 47, died suddenly in Scotland while visiting his parents and family. She was widowed at the age of 38. After his death, she went to work at The Bendix Corporation as an Executive Travel Agent. In the 1960s, she became involved in Ann Arbor Civic Theatre working as technical director and as a member of the sound and construction crews on a variety of productions, including "Bell Book & Candle," "Major Barbara" and several other productions. She lived in Ann Arbor until 1991, when she moved to Eustis, FL, to be close to her son and daughter-in-law, John and Sandra Girvan. She worked with her son and daughter-in-law in their hearing-aid business in Leesburg and Lady Lake, FL. Peggy also became involved with "Life Changing Ministries" Thrift Stores. She rebuilt and reconditioned broken sewing machines so they could be sold to generate profits for the ministry, which donates free food to the local community in need. In 2007, when she was 87 years old, she was recognized for her volunteer work at the Ministries Family Christmas Celebration. Peggy possessed a strong, independent spirit, a deep work ethic and an outgoing personality able to connect with people (some might call it the "gift of gab"). She was very interested in politics and current events and enjoyed a good debate. She was not shy about expressing her opinions, which endeared her to many. She was also known to be able to fix anything and she enjoyed the challenge of "restoring something to working condition". She loved to travel and enjoyed memorable trips to Hawaii, Scotland, England and San Francisco. She also loved garage sales.

GIRVAN CONTINUED... thrift shops, golf and doing crossword puzzles. Peggy was immensely proud of her children, her three grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Upon becoming a grandmother, she was fondly renamed "Gommie" and became known by her grandchildren and all their friends as "Gommie." She was able to describe with great pride their accomplishments and talents and would not miss a chance to share their achievements with others. She was always available for words of encouragement and support and loved to visit with them at every opportunity. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Girvan, who died in Scotland July 16, 1958, and her first great grandchild, Spencer Jeffrey Price, who died February 26, 1996. She was also preceded in death by her ten siblings, Roy, Robert, Gladys, Frederick, Howard, Walter, Ray, Ruth, Dorothy and Paul. She is survived by her children, Grace Margaret Girvan of Ann Arbor, MI, and John Edward Girvan and wife, Sandra Lea (Brice) Girvan, of Eustis, FL; she is also survived by three grandchildren, Anne Marie (Lampe) Price and husband, Jeffrey Ellis Price, of Chicago, IL; Michael Girvan Lampe and wife, Ingrid Oakley-Girvan, of Los Gatos, CA, and Evan George Lampe and wife, Sara Wolin Lampe, of Park City, UT; and six great grandchildren, Evan Val and Katherine Grace Price, Olivia Anne and George Yost Girvan and Charlotte Michael and Lydia Anne Lampe. She was loved dearly by her family and by many friends and will be deeply missed. Her spirit will live on in those who loved her. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to "Life Changing Ministries" Thrift Stores, 100 W. Ardice, Ste. 2-A, Eustis, FL, 32726, in the name of Margaret R. Girvan. She has been cremated and will be buried next spring at Kilbirnie Cemetery in Kilbirnie, Scotland, next to her husband, Edward Girvan.

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SCHNEIDER, IRMGARD, age 90; died on Friday, October 9, 2009, at the Chelsea Retirement Community's Towsley Village. She was born on February 7, 1919, in Frankfurt/Oder, Germany. By age 5 she was determined to become a teacher, a goal she reached about 20 years later. She married Gerhard Schneider in 1943. He preceded her in death in 1945. She and her infant daughter, Franziska, fled the bombings of the second World War. Following nearly four years as a refugee in different refugee camps, she was able to start a new life in West Germany and resume teaching. In 1967 she immigrated to the United States and studied at the University of Michigan. She received her PhD in 1973. On the invitation of the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, she relocated and began her career there as professor of German language and literature. In 2002 she moved back to Michigan in order to be closer to family. Eventually dementia robbed her of many memories and abilities, and yet she still kept a book on her lap or under her pillow at night. Her lifelong love of learning and her talents as a teacher/professor inspired many. She is survived by her daughter, Franziska van der Schalle and her son-in-law, Eric van der Schalle; granddaughter, Beate, and her husband, Ian Calkins; and great grandson, Peter. A Memorial Service took place on Wednesday, October 14, at 2:30 p.m. in the chapel of Towsley Village with the Reverend Beth Foster officiating. Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea.



WOOD, ANN W., of Chelsea, MI; age 92; peacefully passed away Friday, October 9, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor surrounded by her family. She was born on December 19, 1916, in Jackson, MI, the daughter of Alex and Pauline (Janowski) Bielecki. On July 1, 1939, she married Wallace Wood and he preceded her in death in 1981. Ann was an active lifelong member of St. Mary Catholic Church and volunteered at Chelsea Community Hospital, Faith in Action and the Red Cross. She is survived by two sons, Don D. (Sue) Wood of Grass Lake and Richard T. (Brett) Wood of Ann Arbor; four grandchildren, Penny (David) Trinkle of Chelsea, Kim Wood of Chelsea, Matthew Wood of Chicago, IL, and Nick Brown of Madison, WI; two great grandchildren, Nicole and Kaitlin Trinkle of Chelsea; and one sister-in-law, Pat Wood of Chelsea. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and three sisters. Funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, October 12, 2009, at 11 a.m. from St. Mary Catholic Church with Rev. Dr. William J. Turner officiating. Burial followed at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The family received friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Sunday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:30 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Catholic Church or Faith in Action.

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OTHER VOICES

Government call center bad idea

By Ken Cramer
Guest Writer

Those who want to eliminate health insurance agents and brokers are wrong to claim that the federal government can provide a better alternative. Some lawmakers have even floated the idea of establishing a national government-run call center, similar to the one in place for Medicare, to deal with patient coverage concerns. But the government isn't exactly known for its dedication to customer service. Remember your last trip to the DMV?

Choosing a health care plan or even filing a claim is complicated. Learning the ins-and-outs of a particular policy can be a full-time job.

That's why consumers and businesses need health insurance agents and brokers to help them navigate the increasingly complex health care marketplace.

Sadly, some politicians would like to drive health insurance agents and brokers out of business and replace them with distant government bureaucrats. These critics claim that removing them from the process of choosing a health plan would trim the administrative costs of insurance without significantly impacting ordinary

consumers. They're wrong. Imagine if you were barred from using a real estate agent when you sold your home.

Agents and brokers help people make better choices in all kinds of industries. Think of mortgage brokers, financial and retirement planners and accountants.

Health insurance agents and brokers help consumers lower overall health costs. This role is especially important now in our tight economy with families struggling to make ends meet.

Health insurance agents and brokers also ensure that consumers and employers have access to an array of affordable insurance options. They also serve as patient advocates, guiding folks through our incredibly complicated health care system.

Once consumers have obtained coverage, they can turn to an agent or broker for assistance processing claims, resolving billing concerns, filing appeals and securing the maximum benefits to which they are entitled.

Such advocacy is particularly important after a traumatic medical event, like emergency surgery, when a patient may be emotionally vulnerable and ill equipped to think about the

details of his or her insurance policy.

Their advocacy work also includes securing a good deal for the customer. During the enrollment process, a good agent will evaluate competing plans and recommend the one that best suits a consumer's needs and budget.

A recent survey found that 75 percent of people who use health insurance agents and brokers are very satisfied with the services provided. More than half of those surveyed cited personal attention as their agent's most important feature.

Agents and brokers also play a vital role to employers. Businesses providing health insurance must comply with a seemingly endless array of state and federal regulations, including HIPAA, ERISA, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Genetic Nondiscrimination Act. Many firms count on agents and brokers to assist them in completing the mounds of required paperwork.

Small businesses often depend on insurance agents and brokers to serve as human resources advisors as well. An agent or broker can walk a new hire through the enrollment process and notify existing

workers of any changes that might affect their insurance benefits.

Transferring the agent and broker role to a Washington bureaucracy is not a solution to the nation's health care crisis.

A recent investigation by the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging found numerous problems with the 1-800-MEDICARE call center. Among the committee's official findings: confusing interactive voice menus, long wait times during calls, frequent disconnections and inappropriate referrals.

When it comes to personalized service, a faceless federal bureaucracy can't replace the service and dedication of professional health insurance agents and brokers. Replacing hardworking Americans with a government call center is a bad idea.

Ken Cramer is president of The Council of Insurance Agents & Brokers.

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EXTERCISE

Encore Theatre brings 'Sweeney Todd' to stage

Stephen Sondheim and Hugh Wheeler's "Sweeney Todd" works at the Encore Musical Theatre on levels that I had not anticipated during my drive into Dexter to attend the early Saturday performance.

The fact that the Encore Musical Theatre Company continues to live up to its reputation for a tight show right from the get-go certainly helps, but what

Director Daniel Cooney and set and lighting designer Dan Walker have done with the space limitations that they have to work with at their little venue is borderline genius.

I must admit that at first I was a little nervous when seeing the set — two staircases leading up to catwalks that surround the audience, eight doors, one raised platform and about 60 percent of the stage real estate free for movement and prop placement.

There were doubts about how this space would be used, but they were quickly addressed.

Walker's use of lighting to emphasize where members of the audience should be paying their attention, and shadowing where there shouldn't be subtle and effective. At one point, a chorus even came from behind the part of the catwalk behind the audience to distract us during a crucial scene change — proof Walker and Cooney working together.

Cooney has whipped his cast into top form, as the performance of "Sweeney Todd" that early Saturday audience witnessed contained not a single

flaw, foible or hesitation for the duration of the two-act musical thriller.

One member of the cast in particular did a fantastic job of playing her part — Sarah Litzinger, who played the maniacal pie shop owner and Todd accomplice Mrs. Lovett.

Those familiar with the latest Hollywood adaptation of

THEATER REVIEW



SEAN DALTON

"Sweeney Todd" by Tim Burton, starring Johnny Depp, Alan Rickman and Helena Bonham Carter, probably remember Mrs. Lovett (Carter) being played in such a way as to place her under suspicion of being an insane asylum escapee, which is par for the course in a Burton film.

Litzinger played the part with a flare that I really appreciated. Her parts easily elicited the most

laughs and applause from the audience. I found myself grinning and laughing at her facial expressions and the way she carried herself on stage.

At the end of the day, her Mrs. Lovett was still an obsessed crazy person who had done terrible things over the course of the story, but it was more charismatic than creepy, which worked for everyone in the seated rows because Litzinger was having fun with it, and so were we.

Walter O'Neil played the Demon Barber of Fleet Street himself, with a forceful performance. His was easily the strongest voice on stage. Having not seen another live theater performance of "Sweeney Todd," it's hard to gauge whether O'Neil was channeling Depp.



Mrs. Lovett (Sarah Litzinger) and Sweeney Todd (Walter O'Neil) discuss the main ingredient of their latest man-made and man-stuffed pie.

There were several other film and even ballet adaptations of "Sweeney Todd." They all would be mimicking the performance of some long-forgotten actor who played the part decades ago and left an impression that has endured time.

There's speculation that the character came from the Charles Dickens novel Martin Chuzzlewit, published in 1843, or even earlier in a British publication in 1824.

Todd was in George Dibden Pitt's "The String of Pearls"

in 1847 before adapted by Frederick Hazleton in 1865 as "Sweeney Todd, the Barber of Fleet Street."

I quickly stopped worrying about who was channeling whose performance as soon as O'Neil plucked Todd's trademark straight razor from its mahogany case and began caressing and singing to it.

With his "arm complete," Todd was now free to slice the throats of London's corrupt and callous over-class with glee and zeal, before shoving the bodies

A Note from the Director:

I struggled with the idea of presenting the tale of "Sweeney Todd" at all because of the subject matter of this story. With line and form set by Stephen Sondheim and Hugh Wheeler, and using styles such as Brechtian, realism and naturalism, we have sought to bring this story to new life — not by focusing on the blood and gore, but by focusing on the intersection of love, passion and obsession.

This is a play about obsession, specifically Sweeney's obsession with revenge, and the effects it can have on ourselves and others when we neglect forgiveness, self-awareness, and love.

We see Mrs. Lovett's unwavering focus as she attempts to pursue her goal, and the depths to which she is willing to sink for Sweeney's mania. We also see the unfortunate consequences the other characters suffer due to Sweeney's fixation, especially the innocent and naturally caring characters of Tobias, Anthony and Johanna, who are left to deal with the chaos left in his wake.

I hope The Encore's production of "Sweeney Todd" will showcase the flaws in our own human nature instead of the usual "effect" of cringing in horror and disgust. Enjoy.

—Dan Cooney, director

off down a chute, where Mrs. Lovett was waiting to make pies stuffed with their flesh.

Did I mention that "Sweeney Todd" is violent?

Well, the Encore Musical Theatre Company has taken the safe route and recommended that no one under 13 years old see the show. But, honestly, it's no worse than a romp through a haunted house or haunted corn maze.

There's no swearing and no blood, which I thought would be a problem at first. Those murdered quietly stand up and walk off stage as the lights for those areas of the stage dim while they make their exit. Even without the macabre chunks and crimson geysers, "Sweeney Todd" still retains a creepy atmosphere with the help of a professional cast.

Local actor Paul Hopper returns to the Encore as Judge Turpin, who sent Todd away after falling for the naive barber's wife and taking his

daughter Johanna in as his ill-fate ward.

Steve DeBruyne has the second strongest vocal performance as Anthony, a man who reconnects Todd with the world after his long exile. He also falls in love with Todd's daughter, Johanna, played by Thalia Schramm.

Jeff Steinhauer plays the judge's enforcer, The Beadle, and has fun with the part while doing so.

Sue Booth plays the beggar women and John Sartor returns to the Encore stage as the flamboyant Pirelli, a rival barber and snake oil salesman who ends up being trouble for Todd.

My October this year just wouldn't be the same having not seen "Sweeney Todd" at least once. I would highly recommend spending a few hours and some money on a visit to the Encore.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.theencoretheatre.org.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Miss Washtenaw County 2009

7 p.m. Saturday. Miss Washtenaw 15th annual pageant. This year's theme is "Honoring the USO." Chelsea High School Auditorium, 740 N. Freer Road, Chelsea. Tickets \$15 (ages 6-12, \$6). 383-9119.

Turtles, Frogs, and Snakes

2 p.m. Sunday. "Eddy" Discovery Center, Bush Road, Chelsea. \$2 (family, \$5). \$6 vehicle entry fee. 475-3170.

Migration Marvel

11 a.m. Saturday. Learn why and how birds migrate, followed by a short bird walk. Also at 2 p.m., Birds of Prey display and discussion. Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road, Chelsea. Pre-registration requested. Free. \$6 vehicle entry fee. 475-3170.

Heart & Soul Connections Circle

Meditation, movement and acupressure techniques for decreasing stress, depression and anxiety. 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays, starting Oct. 29, at the Mission Market Place, 117 S. Main St., Chelsea. Call 433-4213.

Chelsea Maze

Through Oct. 31, 7-11 p.m. Fridays, 1-11 p.m. Saturdays, and 1-6 p.m. Sundays. \$6 day, \$8 night. Kids 4 and under free. Visit www.chelseamaze.com or call 517-214-0613.

Artist Jan Dorer

Chelsea Gallery will host Celebrate an Opening Reception from 6 to 9 p.m. Nov. 14, featuring Chelsea artist Jan Dorer.

Writers' Workshop

The Chelsea Writers' Workshop meets alternate Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon, at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., Chelsea, through Dec. 19. Call 433-2208, ext. 6042.

Chelsea Farmers' Market

From 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays, through Oct. 30, on Park Street in Chelsea.

'Escanaba'

Through Dec. 19, Purple Rose Theatre. The final installment of Yoopter trilogy by Jeff Daniels. Call 433-7673 or visit www.purplerosetheatre.org.

Maple Gallery

Located at Silver Maples of Chelsea. Open seven days a week, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free. Portraits by artist Pam Hoffer.

Chelsea Center for the Arts

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday at Center Gallery, 400 Congdon St. Paintings, photography, stone-ware, sculpture, jewelry, art glass, textiles and more. Free. Call 433-2787 or visit chelseacenterforthearts.org.

Mornings, Mochas and Melodies

Pierce's Pastries Plus, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., Saturday mornings, 103 W. Middle St. Call 475-6081.

Chelsea Historical Museum

Located in the Gourmet Chocolate Café, Clock Tower complex, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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Indoor playground, 320 N. Main St. In the Clock Tower complex. Call 475-1555 or visit thechelseatreehouse.com

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201 W. North St., Chelsea. To schedule a tour, call 475-1361. Tours last approximately 90 minutes and are appropriate for ages 6 and up. Reservations are required.

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400 North Main St., in the Clock Tower complex. Factory tours at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., every non-holiday Saturday; weekdays and groups by appointment. Call 433-5499 or visit www.chelseateddybear.com.

Music at the Zou

Zou Zou's features original acoustic artists nearly every weekend, from 8 to 11 p.m., 101 Main St. Call 433-4226 or visit

www.zouzouscafe.com.

SculptureWalk Chelsea

Yearlong outdoor sculpture exhibition in downtown Chelsea. Online and print brochures provided for self-guided walking tours. Runs through May 31, 2010.

Enhance Fitness for 50+

Chelsea Senior Citizens Activities Center, 512 E. Washington St., through June 30, 2010. Costs \$2 per person per class. Drop-ins welcome. Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., and Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Call 475-9242 or visit www.chelseaseniors.org.

Chelsea District Library

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Chelsea Senior Center

Located at 512 Washington St. Call 475-9242 for program registration and 24 hour advance lunch reservation.

SALINE

Farmers' Market

8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Downtown Parking Lot No. 4 on South Ann Arbor Street.

Measure for Measure

4 p.m. Sunday. Steve Lorenz conducts 90-member men's chorus in an eclectic program. Proceeds benefit Brecon Village Memory Chapel. St. Paul United

Church of Christ, 122 W. Michigan Ave., Saline. \$15 (kids and students \$10). 621-2098.

Arsenic and Old Lace

8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, and 8 p.m. Oct. 23, 24. Performed by Saline Area Players. Liberty School, 7265 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Saline. \$12 (students and seniors, \$10). 944-4940.

Ann Arbor Antiques Market

8 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Saline. \$6 (children age 12 and under accompanied by an adult, free).

DEXTER

'Sweeney Todd'

Through Sunday: 7 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sunday. \$22-\$28. The Encore Theatre, 3126 Broad St., Dexter. Call 268-6200.

Daw Doubles: Local 101

Noon on Saturdays. Beginners paired with advanced players. Prizes. Golf discs available. Hudson Mills-Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. Costs \$5 per player and free for spectators. Requires \$4 vehicle entrance fee. Call 449-4300.

Artistica

3203-Broad St. Dexter. Call 426-1500.

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 426-4477.

Free paper shredding event

9 a.m.-noon Oct. 24. Public is invited to bring up to three banker boxes (75 pounds) of papers to shred, Washtenaw County Western Service Center, 705 N. Zeeb Road in Scio Township. A \$3 charge for additional boxes of papers. Call AccuShred at 419-244-7473.

Clay Target Fun Shoot

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday. Ann Arbor Moose Sportsman's League, 10101 North Territorial Road, Dexter. Call 709-6972.

Relax — Alternative to Anger

6:30 to 8 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, and Oct. 27, 28. Washtenaw County MSU Extension, 705 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor. \$20 per person/couple. To register, call 222-3943 by Monday.

MANCHESTER

Night Sky Party

Night sky observation party with University Low Brow Astronomers. Dusk to 11 p.m., Oct. 23 (alternate date: Oct. 30). St. Thomas Lutheran Church, 10001 W. Ellsworth Road, in Freedom Township. Call 355-1649 or visit www.StThomasFreedom.org.

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LETTERS

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developing economies, the U.S. Legislature must first show some leadership at home and pass ACES.

Robert Gordon
Ann Arbor

Vote 'yes' on millage

To the Editor: The Board of Directors of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce (CACC) unanimously voted to support the Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD) 2009 Enhancement Millage proposal. The WISD Enhancement Millage proposal will be on the Nov. 3, 2009 general election ballot as "Proposal 1." The CACC encourages everyone to go to the polls that day and to vote

"Yes" for the Enhancement Millage proposal.

This Enhancement Millage will provide funding so that our schools can maintain the quality of education that our children need for a bright future. Our children and grandchildren need the best preparation possible to secure a 21st century job.

Strong schools attract jobs. Businesses desire to locate where there are excellent school systems. If we have a strong public school system, businesses will remain here or locate here because we will have a highly-qualified work force.

It is important to note that 100 percent of the revenue generated from this Enhancement Millage will stay in our local Washtenaw County school districts. None of the revenue will go to the State or to the WISD.

In these economically challenging times, we must support

our schools. Our children and grandchildren are depending on us. The future of our community is in our hands now. The CACC encourages you to vote Yes on the WISD Enhancement Millage proposal. Proposal 1 on the Nov. 3 ballot.

Bob Pierce
Executive Director of the
Chelsea Area Chamber

Vote 'no' on millage

Last week the Washtenaw County Republicans voted to oppose the 2 mill (\$30 million) tax increase that is now on the November ballot in this county. There were many reasons for this decision - too many, in fact, to compress into one brief letter to the editor. So we'll be communicating frequently on this important subject.

Let's start, though, with asking ourselves whether it is wise to impose this large a tax increase

in the middle of a recession. Property values are falling, and the people with whom we speak are increasingly asking for tax relief; far too many are worried that they won't be able to hold onto their homes.

Almost all are in no position to pay any more, and, of course, higher property taxes make it more difficult to sell real estate as well. A tax increase at this time will push some home owners over the edge, thereby jeopardizing the whole county tax base.

Wyckham Seelig
Vice-Chair, Washtenaw
County Republican Party

School facilities should be accessible

On Oct. 6, I and a physically challenged friend attended the concert at the Chelsea High School auditorium. The Chelsea

House Orchestra performance was outstanding! Barrage's performance was outstanding! The ushers and other staff were outstanding!

It was raining hard and the walk to the school door was very long. This was difficult for the older and physically challenged attendees. We couldn't find a nearer door. Some said there was one but if so, it was poorly marked. It seems to me that a circular drive with limited access would be a better approach to the door than all that grass that has to be cut.

Also, the toilet in the women's handicapped stall is too low. It is traditional to put elevated toilet seats in handicapped bathrooms. Yes, there are bars to the left and back of the toilet but suppose that you need some assistance on the right.

I do not have students in the Chelsea School system but I

have helped to build these facilities with my taxes and I have the right to expect them to be totally handicapped accessible for both students and visitors.

Jean M. Vargas
Chelsea

'Emergency' vehicles

Emergency vehicles are supposed to drive fast, that is why they are called "emergency" vehicles.

However, I make the following proposal. If you are having an emergency, I will ask all EMT vehicles to respond as slowly as possible in response to your situation. Conversely, if I am having an emergency, please insure that those same vehicles respond as fast as possible in order to reach me.

Rick Clement
Chelsea

LIBRARIES

FROM PAGE 5-A

are filling quickly.

Here are highlights of what some library directors are saying.

Dexter

Paul McCann, director of the Dexter District Library, is also seeing dramatic increases in the building's use.

He attributes the increases to the economy and a new building on Alpine Street.

"Every area of the library is seeing dramatic increase," McCann said, citing circulation of materials and patron visits as the most basic barometers of library use.

Since opening the new building on Alpine Street in March, the Dexter District Library has seen a 78 percent increase in the number of people visiting, and a 40 percent increase in circulation of materials. In addition, the library expanded computer resources for children, young adults and adults, increasing the total number of terminals offered from five to 16 and adding wireless Internet access.

This, too, has attracted many more people to the library, McCann said.

The library's meeting room spaces have proved very popular. "Our spaces attract both small

and large groups, as well as providing venues for library programming," McCann said.

The children's summer reading program attracted more than 1,400 participants, a 27 percent increase from the previous summer.

The library has offered several new programs that include family movie nights, teen movie nights, music presentations by the Dexter Chamber Orchestra and Wii gaming for teens.

The library is now offering computer classes, including Computer Basics I and II, as well as an Introduction to Social Networking.

"These classes filled within a week of registration opening," McCann said.

McCann said many people have reported canceling their cable service or home Internet service to cut back on expenses.

"The library allows people to conserve in these areas by using the resources shared by the whole community," McCann said.

Library staff has seen twice as many people register for library cards on average each month.

During the last 14 years, the Dexter District Library has seen increased use each year. Some years have seen jumps of 6 to 8 percent, while other years it is as high as 28 to 30 percent.

Saline

Leslee Niethammer, director of

the Saline District Library, said there has been an increase in foot traffic into the newly expanded building.

She said that the library relocated to Liberty School in May 2007 and came back to the expanded building last May after renovations.

Floor size was doubled, she said, which allowed the library to offer individual rooms for teenagers with books, a small study room, local history room and a magazine/newspaper room.

"The increase in space made it more comfortable for people to do work and explore the library," she said.

The library now also has a reading front patio that the Friends of the Library purchased.

Plus, with the new parking lot, there is more parking available, she said.

Residents are using the library's computers as a useful resource. Niethammer said many are filing for unemployment and job searching at the library's 33 Internet stations.

The library is also a wireless hub so people are utilizing it that way.

More residents have become involved in the library's youth programs and adult programs.

"On average, there has been a 20 percent increase in how many books are checked out," she said.

Plus, the library has been

offering Museum Adventure passes, which offer people passes to museums in the southeast Michigan area.

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MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS

Getting students in tune with music

By Andrea Miller
Guest Writer

How does the elementary music curriculum help prepare students for band, choir or orchestra? This is a very good question and one teachers hear quite often.

The elementary music curriculum in the Chelsea School District is based on the music teaching philosophy of musician, educator and composer Carl Orff (1895-1982). Orff believed in a total approach to fostering creativity and conveying musical knowledge and skills. Using their voices to speak and sing, and their bodies to move and dance, children joyously progress from musical imitation to improvisation and literacy.

What this means is, over time, in our case five years, each year students will sing, move and dance, read, listen, and play instruments at age-appropriate levels with each year becoming progressively more challenging. At the end of fourth grade, the goal is that each child has a solid musical foundation that has prepared him/her so that after he/she narrows his/her focus to one discipline, the transition (toward improvisation) will seem natural.

Because the students have had those sequential, musical experiences over time, they have attained the prior knowledge and musical foundation (musical literacy) required to experience success in fifth grade music and beyond (even-tual musical literacy).

Also, in all grade levels, even though students are learning many important musical concepts, music educators try not to lose sight of our main goal and that is to foster in every child, a life-long love of music. What is most important is that students of all ages have positive musical experiences so that they will continue to choose to be involved in music while in school and in their communities throughout their lives.

The Chelsea School District music programs have a long-standing tradition of excellence.



Mrs. Cole's kindergarten class goes through the paces in Mrs. Miller's (right, top photo) music class.

The following is a breakdown of what is taught by grade level:

Kindergarten

Students begin to learn to use their "singing voice" and match pitch by mimicking the teacher's voice. They begin to learn musical concepts as they move to the beat, clap, read short rhythmic patterns, and play short melodic phrases instruments; discover the differences between low and high pitches, and fast and slow tempo.

First grade

Students continue to match pitch using their singing voices. Students continue to discover the various ways to use their voices, (sing, speak, whisper, shout). Students continue using various body percussion

motions (clapping, patting) and using Orff instruments to feel the beat and add texture to songs. Students use movement and singing to show the melodic contour of phrases.

Second grade

Students identify, read and play rhythm patterns and some melodic intervals. They acquire a repertoire of about 30 songs that introduces new concepts including two-part score. Harmony is introduced through singing in rounds and reviews previously learned concepts. Students continue to show the beat and move to music by performing simple folk dances.

Third grade

Students are introduced to basic time signatures, rhythmic notation, and some

MUSIC SERIES

The following is the first in a six-part series looking at the award-winning music programs inside the Chelsea schools.

Today: K-4th grade music program
Oct. 22: 5-6th graded music program
Oct. 29: 7-8th grade music program
Nov. 5: 9-12th grade music program - Band
Nov. 12: 9-12th grade music program - Choir
Nov. 19: 9-12th grade music program - Orchestra

melodic notation. Students are acquainted with all of the basic note values in 4/4 time and are introduced to the note names on the treble clef staff. Students acquire a repertoire of about 35 songs that introduces new concepts and reinforces previously learned concepts. Students begin playing the recorder.

Fourth grade

Students continue the study of recorder. Students are introduced to syncopation. Students continue exploring harmony by singing partner songs and playing rounds on Orff instruments. Several part ensemble is explored by singing, playing recorder, playing Orff and classroom instruments using short repetitive patterns. A repertoire of about 35 pieces is acquired that introduces and reinforces previously learned concepts.

Miller teaches music programs for the kindergarten through fourth grade classes at the three elementary schools.

OUR SCHOOLS

SRSly asks kids to get involved

"The YSC is pretty much awesome," said Devin Wild, an eighth-grade student at Beach Middle School, and Special Events Coordinator for the SRSly Youth Steering Committee (YSC).

"We get to hang out, eat pizza, and work on SRSly stuff, and decide what SRSly is going to do to prevent destructive behaviors."

Wild has been a member of the YSC since the group's inception in January 2009. This leadership committee meets monthly, and serves as the decision-making body for coalition initiatives aimed at youth.

Thirteen Chelsea youth in eighth, ninth and tenth grade currently make up the YSC, but membership is open to anyone grades 5-12.

In order to promote community service and involvement, SRSly will be mailing a series of three postcards to all students in the Chelsea School District. Every student in grades 5-12 will receive one personalized postcard per week for three weeks, leading up to next month's SRSly Youth Meeting.

"Last year, our Youth Meeting focused on drug and alcohol use: identifying the reasons kids use, and things we can do as a coalition to prevent that. This year we're focusing on community service, and ways kids can get more involved," said Reiley

Lewis, SRSly coalition director. The SRSly Youth Meeting will be at the Beach Middle School Media Center, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 16.

"Through the service clubs, like Kiwanis and Rotary, we're always trying to find ways to get more people involved in community service," said John Knox, president of the Kiwanis

Club and a member of the SRSly Adult Steering Committee.

"These postcards will get people thinking about their role, and what they can do to contribute."

SRSly promotes positive community involvement for youth in Chelsea as a way to prevent drug and

alcohol use. Volunteer opportunities, including events like Project Sticker Shock, encourage kids to get involved in the coalition with whatever time and energy they have to contribute.

As part of Red Ribbon Week (Oct. 19-23), SRSly is holding its second "What's Your Anti-Drug?" poster contest. This year the contest is being expanded to include all forms of media, including writing and film, and is open to all students and home-school youth in grades 5-12.

Information is available in school offices and at the Chelsea District Library. All entries are due by Oct. 23.

For more information, go to www.srslychelsea.org.

REILEY LEWIS
SRSly coalition director.

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Homecoming this weekend

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

Homecoming 2009 is reaching its crescendo as the week comes to an end.

All of the buildup to this weekend's Chelsea Bulldogs battling it out on the gridiron with Pioneer High School continues today and tomorrow as the week's activities and Spirit Days continue.

Today is pirate day, so students are expected to dress and speak accordingly. The pirate game is also the day's activity.

Students have been going all week playing the gum glove game at lunch and Powder Puff football, Marshmallow Drop on Tuesday and the Tricycle Race yesterday. Monday was pajama day, Tuesday was class color day and yesterday was super hero day.

Students are expected to make the most of the rest of the week through their participation.

Each class receives points for dressing up, playing games and generally getting involved.

Tomorrow students should wear their blue and gold colors to fit

in with the daily theme and prepare for the pyramid contest, followed by the pep rally and football game at 7 p.m.

Before the game, Chelsea High School's annual homecoming parade will be at 5:20 p.m. tomorrow.

The High School Band will lead the parade followed by representatives of the football parents, the various fall sport teams, and Chelsea High activity clubs. The parade will begin on Middle Street by the municipal lot, travel on Main Street to Park Street and proceed down Park Street to Madison where it will head to the football field at the Washington Street Community Center.

The parade will arrive at the old high school starting at about 5:45 p.m.

The homecoming dance will take place at the W.S.E.C. Gym at 9 p.m. and go until midnight.

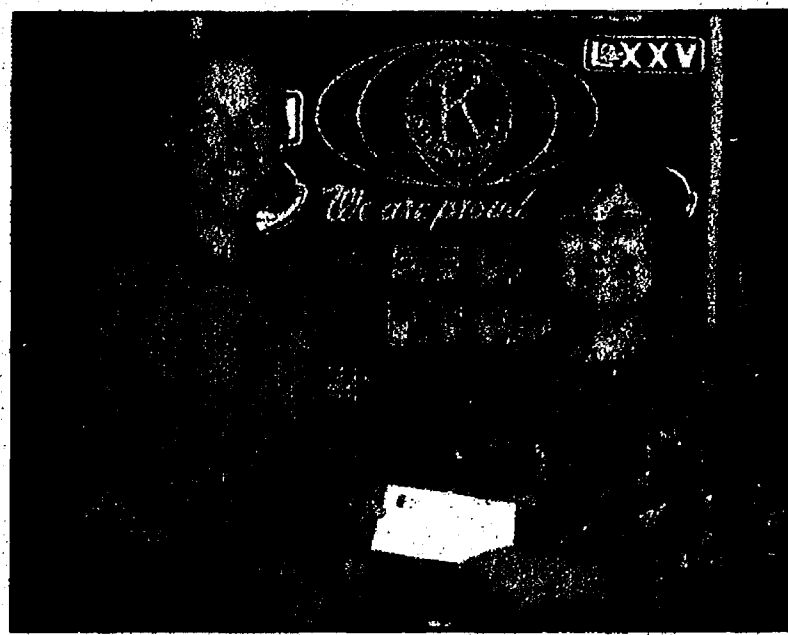
The entrance fee is \$5 and those who wish to attend must dress in semi-formal attire, no jeans or gym shoes, and bring their student identification.

Parking is located in the football lot.

Kiwanis guests



Nancy Paul with Faith In Action was the guest speaker at a recent Kiwanis Club of Chelsea meeting. Paul gave the club an update on the status of the organizations activities. Pictured here presenting a club donation to Faith In Action is Kiwanian Don Cole.



Michalene Pawlak with the Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE) public transportation system was a recent speaker at the Kiwanis Club of Chelsea. Pictured here with Michalene is Kiwanian John Knox, who is making a club donation to WAVE.



Grandma's Attic Garage Sale

Pat Lewis (left) and Jan Baird (right) volunteer to price and sort items for the Chelsea Senior Center's annual Grandma's Attic Garage sale that will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday at the Washington Street Education Center 400 building. They will be accepting donations between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. tomorrow. For more information, call 475-9241.

THANKS

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has quietly provided mentoring and support to the community for many years," Pierce said.

Chandler started the work study program at Chelsea High School, was part of the team who began the Chelsea Help Line in 1990, and for the last 15 years is the behind-the-scenes guy who makes all things happen at the historic Chelsea Depot.

Chandler was presented with the news of his selection at the Chelsea Depot. His wife Marilyn and members of the Depot Association were part of the presentation of the award.

"Johnson has served the Chelsea community in so many ways over the years," Pierce said.

For 23 years he served as the president of Chelsea Community Hospital. Under his leadership, CCH became a leader for community hospitals in many arenas. CCH established the first ambulatory surgery center in Michigan, the first employer sponsored child care center in the state as well as making CCH a welcoming place for the entire community.

Johnson received the news of his selection after his friend and colleague, Art Dils, arranged a "business" meeting at the Arctic Breakaway. "Surprising the winners

with these awards is one of the best parts of my job," Pierce said.

"We work with the families, co-workers, and friends to arrange the fun 'ambush' of the winner. They are invariably surprised and overwhelmed by being selected for this award."

The winners are selected by secret ballot during a meeting that includes past award winners and community and civic leaders in Chelsea.

The process of selecting the winner is not an easy task. Each and every nominee is a deserving individual who has touched the lives of our residents and improved our community in unique ways. Occasionally, the committee has chosen to award two win-

ners for a category, such as this year's Lifetime Achievement Award winners.

A banquet will be held later this year to honor the winners. Details of the banquet will be announced in the next week.

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Chelsea

Spaghetti dinner
Heidi Baize of Chelsea is hosting a spaghetti dinner to raise money to fight Crohn's and colitis, a disease her aunt has suffered from for more than 30 years. The dinner will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the Chelsea Fairgrounds and will include spaghetti, salad, bread and a dessert. Carry-out boxes will be available for takeout. The cost is \$10 per person and kids under 5 are free. Baize also is running a half-marathon in December to help raise money. For more information, e-mail: Baize at Heidi_Baize@yahoo.com.

Fall Auction

Modern Mothers Fall Auction will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 at the Chelsea Depot. Admission is free. Auction items include jewelry, handmade items, pies, cakes, cookies and a visit from Santa. Proceeds to be used toward a CHS scholarship and donations to local fund-raisers. For questions or directions, call 475-8814.

'Celebrate'

Chelsea Gallery will host "Celebrate," featuring Chelsea native artist Jan Dorer, a talented acrylic painter who has been perfecting her art for over four decades. An opening reception will be from 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 14. The Chelsea Gallery is located at 115 S. Main Street in Chelsea.

Sauerkraut Supper

Sharon United Methodist Church will hold its annual Sauerkraut Supper on Saturday in the new fellowship hall located just west of the church. The menu will include pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce and those famous German knoepfles (knif-fles). Assorted pies will be served for dessert. Limited to 200 people, advance reservations must be made to 475-3294 by Oct. 12. Sharon UMC is on the corner of M-52 and Pleasant Lake Road north of Manchester.

Chelsea District Library

For more information, call 475-8732.
Saturday, Visuals to Words, 7-8:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Center for the Arts. Registration.

Through the class, which is co-sponsored by Chelsea Center for the Arts, students will discover, as they view art and write their own pieces, how visual art inspires poetry and other genres of creative writing. This workshop is facilitated by Writers in Resident Saleem Peardina. Space is limited to 10. To register, call 734-433-2787.

Also: Oct. 24, 31

Saturday, Purple Rose Classic Concert Reading Series, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Registration. The Chelsea District Library is pleased to announce its new series with the Purple Rose Theatre Co. This is a wonderful opportunity for the public to receive world-class theatre arts at the public library. Join the Purple Rose in exploring new plays in a series of free Saturday morning concert readings. Under the direction of artistic director Guy Sanville, actors will read from new scripts by established and emerging playwrights which will be considered for future production at the Purple Rose. Audience members are invited to take part in the creative process by providing feedback to the playwright and director after each reading. Specific play titles to be announced at a later date. Also: Oct. 31; Nov. 21; Dec. 5

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Every day: Coffee and snacks, friendly conversation, support, resources, walking. Drop in 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or visit www.chelseaseniors.org.

Tomorrow: Bingo 9 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Mandala art 11 a.m.; Fried chicken lunch at noon; Euchre 12:30 p.m.; Wii Fun 1 p.m.;

Drop off items for tag sale 9-11 a.m. Saturday: Grandma's Attic Tag Sale in 400 building WSEC 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Monday: Bingo 9 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Chicken & dumplings lunch at noon; Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.; Travel Open House 7 p.m.

Tuesday: Enhance Fitness 8:30 a.m.; Mah Jongg 9 a.m.; Current Events 9:30 a.m.; Seed saving exchange 10 a.m.; Free blood pressure checks 10 a.m.; Crafts 10 a.m.; Wood Carving 10 a.m.; Beef pot pie lunch at noon; PATH 1 p.m.; Scarlet ladies 1 p.m.; Quilting for Charity 1 p.m.; Euchre 6:30 p.m.; Bridge Class 7 p.m.;

Wednesday: Stained Glass class 9:30 a.m.; Coin Club 10 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Stuffed cabbage lunch at noon; Square Dancing 12:30 p.m.; Pinochle 1 p.m.; Ping Pong 1 p.m.; Scrabble 1 p.m.; Bowling at Chelsea Lanes 1 p.m. Thursday: Enhance Fitness 8:30 a.m.; Casino Trip 9:15 a.m.; Newsletter Assembly 10 a.m.; Bridge Class 10 a.m.; Computer Club 10 a.m.; Chess 10 a.m.; Birthday celebration with live entertainment and fried chicken lunch at noon; Chelsea Area Bridge 12:15 p.m.; Knit & Crochet 12:30 p.m.

Chelsea Center for the Arts
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7720 Ann Arbor Street. Call (734) 426-7737. Lunches are complete - main dish listed. Tomorrow: 8 a.m. - Swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:30 - Coffee hour; 10:30 a.m. Exercise, 11:30 a.m. Lunch - Alfredo's fish, 12:45 - Bingo. Monday: 8:30 a.m. swimming, Wylie Pool; Flu clinic 9 a.m. to 1

p.m. and 2 to 5 p.m.; 11:30- Lunch- Grilled chicken bites. Tuesday: 10 a.m. - Lifestyle Fitness; Rug hookers; 11 - Tai Chi- 11:30 Lunch-Spaghetti and meatballs; 12:00 - French. Wednesday: 8 a.m. Swimming, Wylie Pool; 9 a.m. Medicare Assistance; 10:30, Exercise 11:30 - Birthday Luncheon for October birthdays - Breaded chicken cutlet; 1 p.m. - Yoga/Watercolor painting; German, 5:15 p.m. Fitness Challenge. Thursday: 9 a.m. - Spanish - 9:30 a.m. - Euchre; 10 a.m. Lifestyle Fitness - 11:00 Knitting Club; 11:30 - Lunch - Cabbage roll; 12:30 Scrabble or bridge, 1 p.m. - Mah Jongg.

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: 2 p.m. Movies & Muffins for adults. "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Saturday: 11 a.m. Joel Tacey's "Spooktacular Comedy Show" for all ages. Refreshments

Sunday: 1 p.m. Holocaust survivor, author and artist Miriam Brysk, Ph.D. For adults

Monday: 7:30 p.m. Book Club for Adults. "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society," by Mary Ann Shaffer. Registration required.

Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. "Book Snackers" Book Club. "Spiderwick Chronicles: The Field Guide." For grades three through five. Registration. Wednesday: 9 p.m. Deadline to turn in art for the Teen Manga Art Contest

Thursday, Oct. 22: 7 - 8:30 p.m. "Ask the Pediatricians." A question-and-answer program for adults.

Parks

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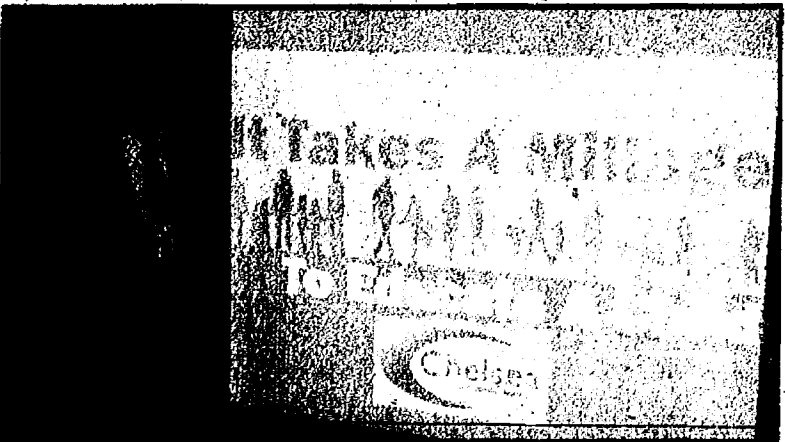
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Rotary guests



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Dave Killips, superintendent of Chelsea schools and a Rotarian, gave a presentation on Sept. 29 about the upcoming millage vote and how the two possible outcomes will directly affect Chelsea schools.

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at the scene.

Smallwood and another girl were on a four-wheel, all terrain vehicle racing the pair along Sylvan, Heim and Grass Lake Roads shortly after 9 p.m., police reports said.

The group of teens drank alcohol and smoked marijuana at Smallwood's home before they took his vehicles for a spin, and he still faces multiple misdemeanor charges for his actions that night.

They said they did not see or hear the crash, and did not go looking for their friends because they assumed they were safe.

A hunter found the teens bodies lying face down in the leaf-coated ground the following morning and called police.

Simon argued that there were too many unknown factors in the crash to hold Smallwood responsible. He also said the Michigan State Police accident investigator responded to the scene and only took photos and a few measurements for a scale diagram.

It unknown for certain, but the time span between when they were last seen and the crash itself could be as short as 40 minutes or up to 2 and one-half hours.

Prosecutors said the photos were enough to illustrate the motorcycle suddenly left the roadway without any signs of breaking or trying to lay the bike down before impact.

"Any interpretation of the cause of the accident from the photographs is speculative at best," said Simon, of the said Simon, of Ann Arbor-based Simon and Geherin PLLC. "No one witnessed the accident, heard a crash or anything of the like and the cause for the accident is completely unknown."

Smallwood could have faced up to five years in prison, if convicted on the felony charges.

He was incarcerated at the time of the ruling after violating terms of his bond. Smallwood was placed on an alcohol-monitoring tether and ordered to submit to weekly drug tests at his arraignment in March.

He was in compliance from April through July, but tested positive for marijuana, opiates on three different occasions in August, court records show. Staff with Washtenaw County Community Corrections Department also noted that he obstructed the sensor on the alcohol tether on several occasions to prevent testing, according to the court file.

A new hearing date on the misdemeanor charges is pending.

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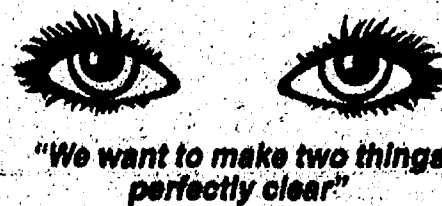
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Chelsea's Burchett makes winning a habit

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

When Melanie Burchett took the title of Junior Homemaker of the Year at the Chelsea Community Fair in August, it was yet another feather in this talented young lady's cap.

She is no stranger to the title - she has entered Jr. Homemaker seven times, won in 2003, 2005, and 2009, and was runner-up in 2002, 2007, and 2008.

And in 2008, Melanie was runner-up for Fair Queen, showing her llama as her talent. "It was one of the proudest moments of my life," she says.

The Chelsea native has been going to the fair for as long as she can remember.

"It's always the best part of my summer," she says. "I love how it brings the whole community together and everyone can have fun and show off their

exhibits.

"I usually go to the fair every day. When I was younger, I participated in the Kiddie Parade, and this year I was a judge. On Wednesday, my youth group always watches the derby.

Melanie first entered items at the fair when she was 9 years old, and has entered every year since.

She usually enters 40-60 items each year, mostly crafts and baked goods.

Friday morning I attend Ladies Day. If I'm not in the Fair Parade on Saturday, which I usually am, I sit and watch with my family."

Melanie first entered items at the fair when she was 9 years old, and has entered every year since. She usually enters 40-60 items each year, mostly crafts and baked goods.

"The two days before the fair are spent baking cookies, cakes,

fudge, cupcakes and brownies. I also enter in floriculture, antiques, photography, horticulture, and gift-wrapping," she says. "I don't really have a favorite thing - I really enjoy making crafts but I also love taste-test-



Melanie Burchett (right) and Stephanie Doll were honored at this year's Chelsea Community Fair.

ing all my delicious treats!

"I definitely have to credit my mom for helping me every year, and teaching me many of my skills in arts, photography, and baking.

"There are several things I like about winning, not just the money and ribbons. I love seeing a ribbon on something I made, it gives me satisfaction knowing that I'm being rewarded for something I made with my own

two hands, something I put time into and means something to me. Plus, I like being a role model for younger kids. I hope they see what a great thing the fair is and that get the chance to show off their own exhibits."

Melanie, the daughter of Doug and Karen Burchett of Chelsea, is a Chelsea High School senior and vice-president of Key Club, a group that provides community services.

This is her second year as a member.

She is a member of the National Honor Society, and last year joined yearbook, currently serving as Senior Section editor. She is in her second year acting as a new student mentor, meeting with an incoming student and giving a tour of CHS, then staying in contact and being on hand to help throughout the freshman year.

She has always been on the High Honor Roll, and has received her Academic Letter. An honors student, she has taken four Advanced Placement classes which count as college credits.

She is president of Spanish Club, where last year she served as secretary.

"We practice Spanish outside of class, learn more about Hispanic culture, and hold several Spanish movie nights throughout the year," she says.

She also has tutored Spanish, as well as math, and science, for the past three years.

Burchett, whose brother Kevin is a junior at CHS, also speaks German, and would like to study languages in college - although she has yet to decide on a final college choice.

Melanie is in her seventh

year in 4-H, and is a member of the Double L Llama Club, where she has served as secretary and president. This year she is a Washtenaw County 4-H Ambassador.

She has been in Girl Scouts for 12 years, a member of the Chelsea Free Methodist Church youth group for six years, and earned money by babysitting for three years. She also enjoys reading, writing, spending time with her family, hanging out with friends, traveling, music, and playing with her animals.

Melanie's win at the fair capped an exciting summer, in which she received a scholarship to be an exchange student, and traveled to Germany to stay with a host family in Bavaria for six weeks.

"It was one of the best things I've ever done," she says. "I gained a whole new perspective on life and our culture, and other people who live differently than we do. I gained so much confidence in myself, and independence, too."

"I loved absolutely every minute of it, and I hope other people have a chance to do what I did."

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

Youth Dance Theater gets a master lesson

Youth Dance Theater of Chelsea recently hosted a master class taught by Michael Cook, principal dancer at The Suzanne Farrell Ballet. Qualifying ballet students from throughout Washtenaw County attended workshops to improve their technique and performance skills.

Cook had the dancers at the bar for 80 minutes - and that was 30 to 45 minutes after the dancers had arrived beforehand to warm-up.

Afterwards, among the common comments overheard included, "It was a great class," and "(Cook) showed us how to be more expressive in our dancing."

Master classes are vital to a dancer's development, for placement into national dance companies or prestigious college dance programs.

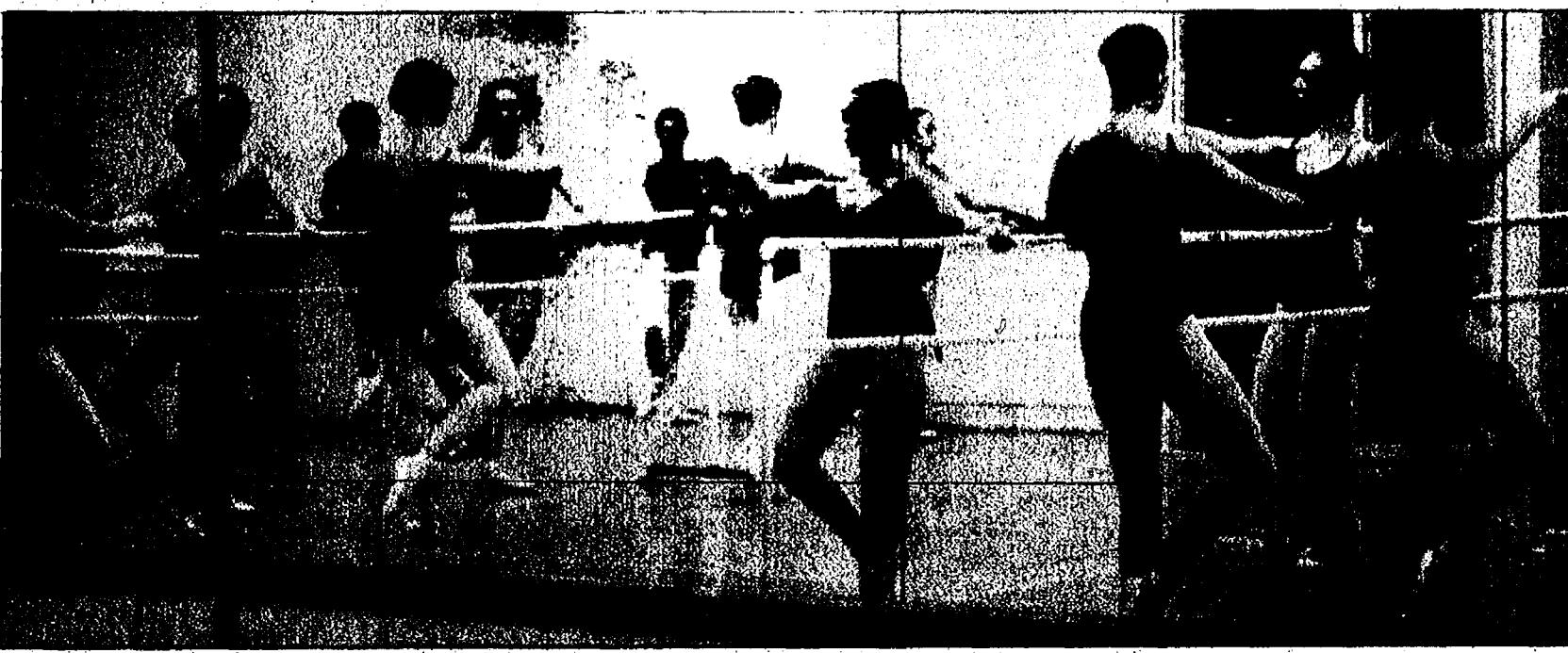
Youth Dance Theater, founded in 1995, is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, whose mission is to provide professional dance training and performance opportunities for young dancers. The group, which includes 55 boys and

Master classes are vital to a dancer's development, for placement into national dance companies or prestigious college dance programs.

girls, will be performing in YDT's upcoming performance, "The Nutcracker" on Dec. 4-6 at Chelsea High School. Tickets go on sale Oct. 25.

Suzanne Farrell, a renowned ballerina at the New York City Ballet for three decades, founded The Suzanne Farrell Ballet, to perform ballets held by the George Balanchine Trust.

Balanchine came to America from Russia as a young choreographer, developing a profound style of American ballet, many inspired by his muse, Farrell.



Downtown Chelsea hosts fourth annual Ladies Day

What can be more fun than spending a day with friends, sampling scrumptious treats and wine and getting great perks while starting your holiday shopping?

The fourth annual "Ladies Day: Wine, Women and Shopping" will be held Saturday, Nov. 14 in downtown Chelsea. Participating stores will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., offering edible treats, door prizes and fabulous activities and demonstrations.

"It's a really fun event for women to spend a day together, hanging out with their pals in downtown Chelsea," said Pam Conn, owner of Muleskinners Boots and co-organizer of the event.

"We always organize the event in November, so women can take advantage of some great deals and get started on their holiday shopping. It's a good way to motivate people to spend their dollars locally."

Activities planned for the event include free antique appraisals, a special exhibit of fine crafts from four local artisans, a demonstration on forcing holiday flower bulbs, free samples of Cherry Republic food and lots more goodies.

Enter a free drawing to win a basket filled with great gifts from local businesses. A wine tasting will be available at Seitz's Tavern - three tastings for \$3.

It's also a great opportunity to take advantage of the many sales and bargains offered by participating businesses that day only.



Kathy O'Connell (left to right), Alice Dixon and Judy Smith do a little shopping in downtown Chelsea.

Downtown Chelsea offers a little bit of everything to spend a fun day with friends, including unique gift shops, great restaurants, galleries and free parking.

Brochures with event listings will be available on the day of the event. Look for red and white balloons at participating stores.

Chelsea Wellness Center hosts open house Saturday

The Chelsea Wellness Center has been helping community members get healthy for eight years. And if you've never dropped in for a workout or taken a tour of this state-of-the-art facility, now is the time.

The Chelsea Wellness Center will host an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and they've planned a full day of fun for the whole family.

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THE REV. MARK PORINSKY

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standard day for worship - though this is not a Biblical command, so we are free to choose any day for worship.

Unfortunately, it's easy to get stuck in today's mindset, where the worship of the Lord on Sunday becomes a duty at best, and the vast majority of Americans don't even give it a thought. The focus of our week often becomes just making it through another five days until we get to the weekend. The high point becomes our release from work on Friday, rather than worshipping the Creator of the Universe and Savior of the

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DNR monitors state's herd

With the archery deer season across Michigan off to a good start and the firearm season open, still a month away, the Department of Natural Resources continues to be vigilant in monitoring the state's herd for every deer and elk manager's biggest nightmare — chronic wasting disease (CWD).

An always fatal neurological disorder — similar to mad cow disease — that is caused by a mutated protein, CWD reared its ugly head in Michigan in August of last year when it was discovered in a captive whitetail in a privately owned facility in Kent County. The facility was immediately depopulated and closed, but DNR officials were concerned about where the disease originated.

Records at the facility indicated the deer had been born in the pen and no deer from states known to have CWD in their deer populations had been imported into the facility. And none of the deer that were removed from the facility tested positive for the disease. One of the DNR's concerns, however, was that a pocket of CWD might exist in the free-ranging deer population in the immediate area and that's how the captive deer was infected.

So the DNR initiated a wide-spread testing program looking for CWD. Every deer from the township with the infected deer — and all of the adjoining townships, as well — were required to be tested. In addition, the DNR sampled deer statewide for the disease.

All that testing failed to produce another CWD-positive animal.

"Last year, we tested 1,523 deer from the nine-township area and we looked at a total of 9,341 across the state," explained Steve Schmitt, the DNR veterinarian. "We didn't

find anything.

"But we're still looking, both in captive facilities and free-ranging deer to see if we'll find a small pocket of the disease," Schmitt continued. "We know we don't have a big outbreak of it like they do in Wisconsin or Illinois or Colorado. But we can't yet say for sure that we don't have a small pocket of it."

Mandatory testing in the nine-township area will continue this year. Hunters are required to bring any deer harvested from the area to a DNR check station where they can either completely bone-out the deer and take home the meat — as they are required to do if they kill a deer or elk in a state known to have CWD in its herds — or they can leave the carcass in a refrigerated truck until the test results come back.

CWD testing involves collecting the head of the animal and examining the lymph nodes. The testing is carried out at the Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health at Michigan State University where Schmitt and his crew have a state-of-art laboratory.

This year, the DNR will cut back on the number of animals it tests outside the nine-township area, focusing on targeted animals — either those that are showing symptoms of the disease (such as emaciation, drooling, a loss of equilibrium, and no fear of humans) or animals that died from unknown causes. The deer that were tested from the epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD) outbreak this past summer and fall in southeast Michigan, for instance, also were tested for CWD. And the DNR will test another 800 animals from Kent County outside the nine-township area this fall, too.

Schmitt said he'd recommend that mandatory testing in the nine-township area continue through at least next year.

"Each year that goes by that we don't find it we become more certain that it didn't spill over into the wild," he said. "If we test 4,500 animals in the nine-township area over a three-year period and don't find it, we'll have a better handle on it, but there's still chance we could have it out there."

The DNR began testing for CWD as it began spreading in other states in 1998 and has tested some 32,000 free-ranging deer, 1,100 elk and 50 moose. Meanwhile, the Department of Agriculture has tested some 10,000 captive cervids (mostly whitetails) without finding the disease — until last summer.

Other safeguards that have been put into place, including a Lower Peninsula-wide deer baiting and feeding ban that went into effect immediately, will remain in place for the foreseeable future, too.

"If the disease does get into the state, either from an infected carcass from out of state that was handled improperly or from an infected live animal, we know the bait and feeding ban will help keep the disease from becoming established in the deer population," Schmitt said. "It could help keep CWD from spreading rapidly."

One mystery remains, however: Where did the disease that infected the Kent County animal come from?

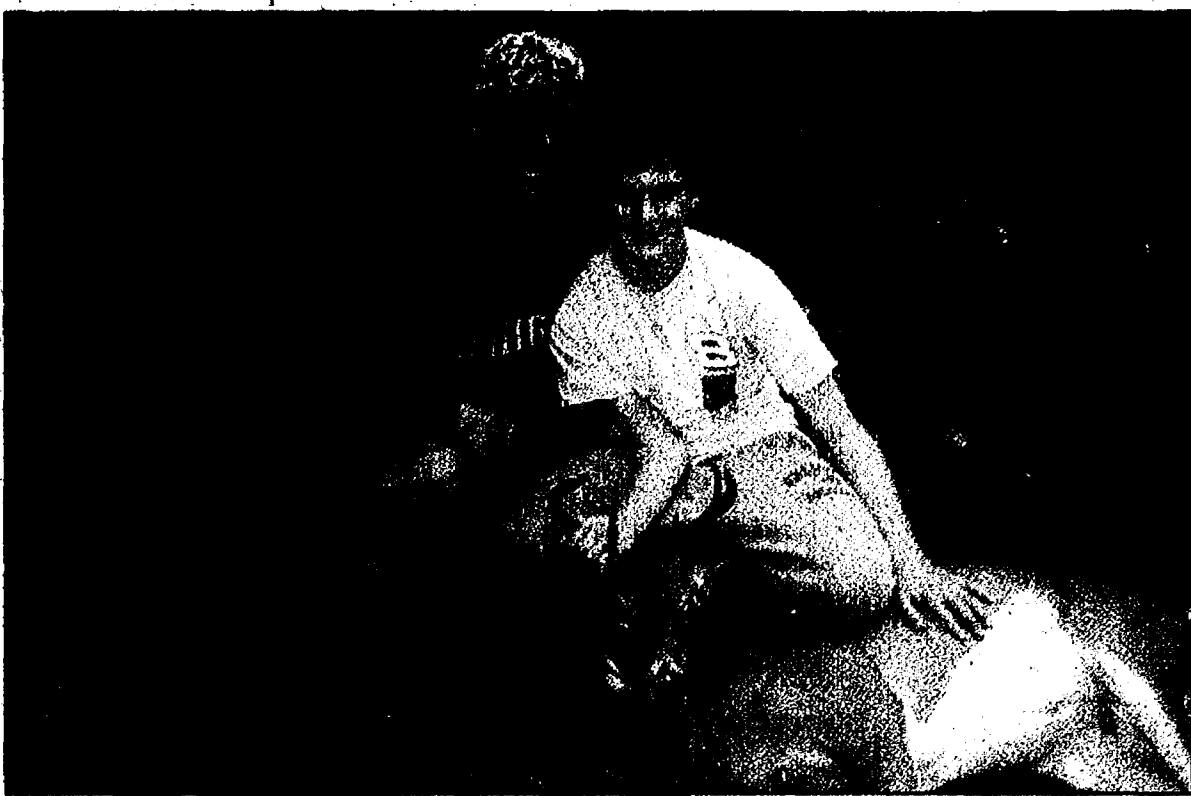
"We'll never know for sure how it got in there," Schmitt said. "The most important thing for us was to figure out if it was in the free-ranging population. It could have been in the free-ranging population and spilled into the captive facility. We were concerned about that and also the other way — that it was in the facility and spilled into the free-ranging population."

"Now it appears more likely that it didn't come in from the free-ranging population, but we'll never know."

But Michigan wildlife managers are sighing in relief that what looked like an ominous day for the future of Michigan's deer and elk herds — the day CWD was discovered in Michigan — so far has not left permanent marks on the state's deer and elk populations.

More information about CWD is available on the state of Michigan's Emerging Diseases Web site at www.michigan.gov/chronicwastingdisease.

Local hunter



Chelsea's Jake Dault, 13, harvested his first 7-point buck last month during a youth hunt. Also in the photo is Jake's dad Scott Dault.

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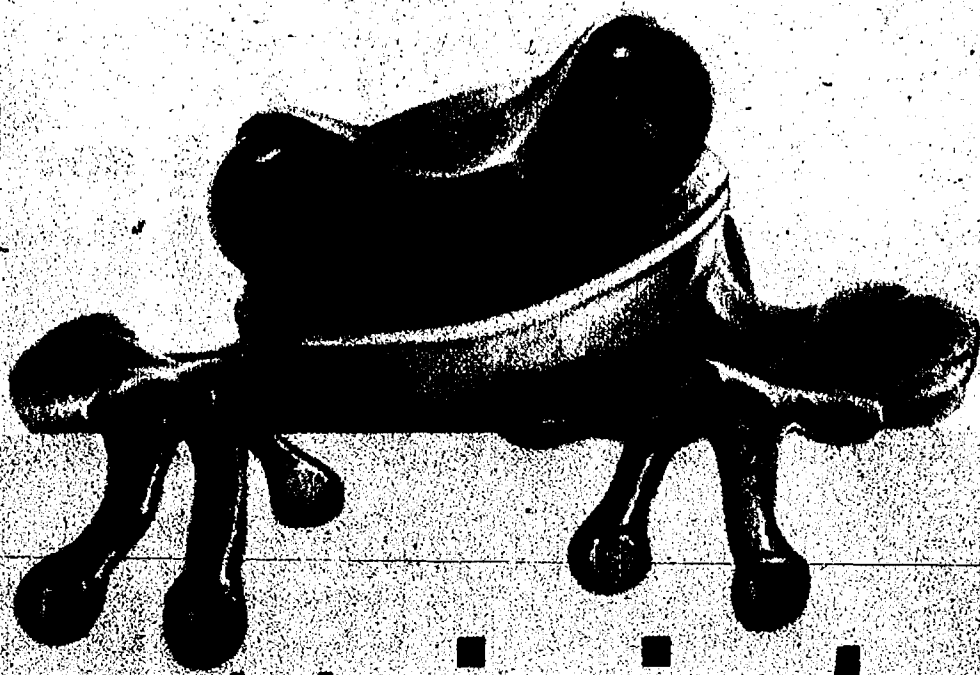
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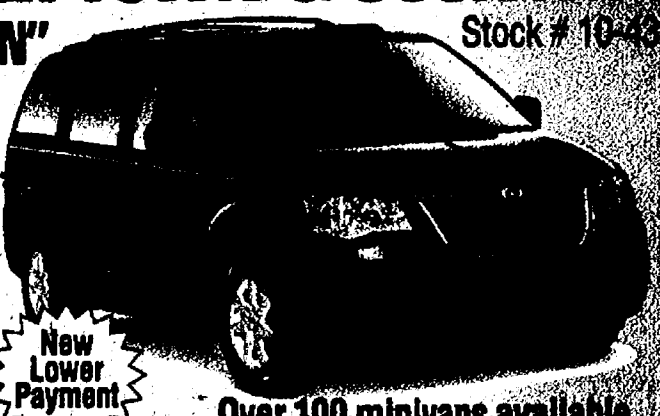
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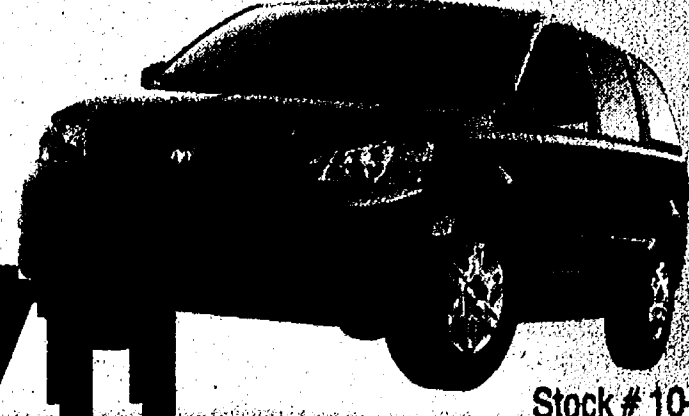


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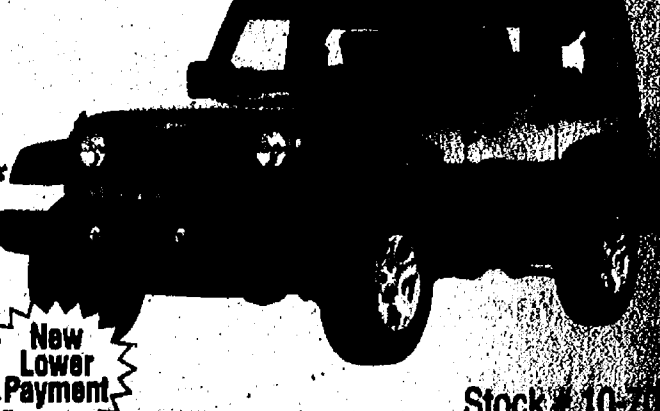
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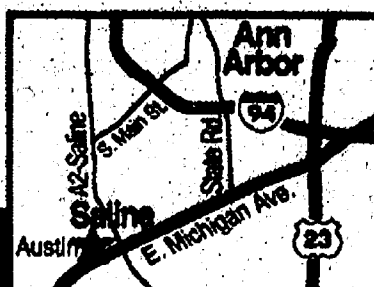
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Bulldogs run to third at meet

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's girls' cross country team finished third overall at the Hudson Invitational last Saturday. The Bulldogs recorded 121 points.

Capturing the 16-team meet was Wauseon (Ohio) with 112 points.

Jackson Northwest was second with 118 points, while Monroe Jefferson was fourth with 155 points and Manchester fifth with 165 points.

Michigan Center was sixth with 179 points, while Napoleon was seventh with 191 points.

"We ran very well today," said Chelsea coach Pat Clarke. "We were focused as a team and performed well. Our team finish of third was just amazing."

"We continue to improve which is our goal for each meet. We hope to get a bit healthier next week and see if we can't start lowering our times. We were pretty tired for this meet after a hard week of practice."

Leading the Bulldogs individually was Jessi Battaglia who finished eighth in a personal best 20:35. She bet-

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PAT CLARKE

Chelsea girls cross country coach

tered her previous top mark by 24 seconds.

Courtney Maher was 22nd in 21:01, while Danielle Dahl was 24th in 21:14 and Elaine Johnson 32nd in a personal best 21:30 for Chelsea. Johnson's time was 30 seconds faster than her previous best clocking.

Julie Beaumont was 35th in 21:47, while Corinne Carpenter was 36th in a personal best 21:49 and Kennedy Aldrich 58th in 22:55 for the Bulldogs.

"Clarke said he was pleased with his entire team's effort."

"In all, we had six girls run under 21:50 for the first time this season," he said.

In the JV race, Samantha Newbound finished first overall for Chelsea with a time of 22:12.

The Bulldogs earned the top four places in the race.

Ending up second overall was Ella Fritzemeter with a time of personal best 22:44, while Lauren Zigman was third in a personal best 23:25 and Gwen Hubbard fourth in a personal best 23:26.

Clarke said Chelsea is getting better and better as the season progresses.

"We closed the gap between ourselves and Jackson Northwest from 65 points two weeks ago, to just three points today," he said. "I just hope we can continue on this course of improvement throughout the rest of the season."

The Bulldogs next travel to Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard to participate in its invitational Saturday.

On Oct. 22, Chelsea will compete in the Southeastern Conference Jamboree No. 3 at Hudson Mills Metropark at 2:30 p.m. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 429-7380 or at drichter@heritage.com.

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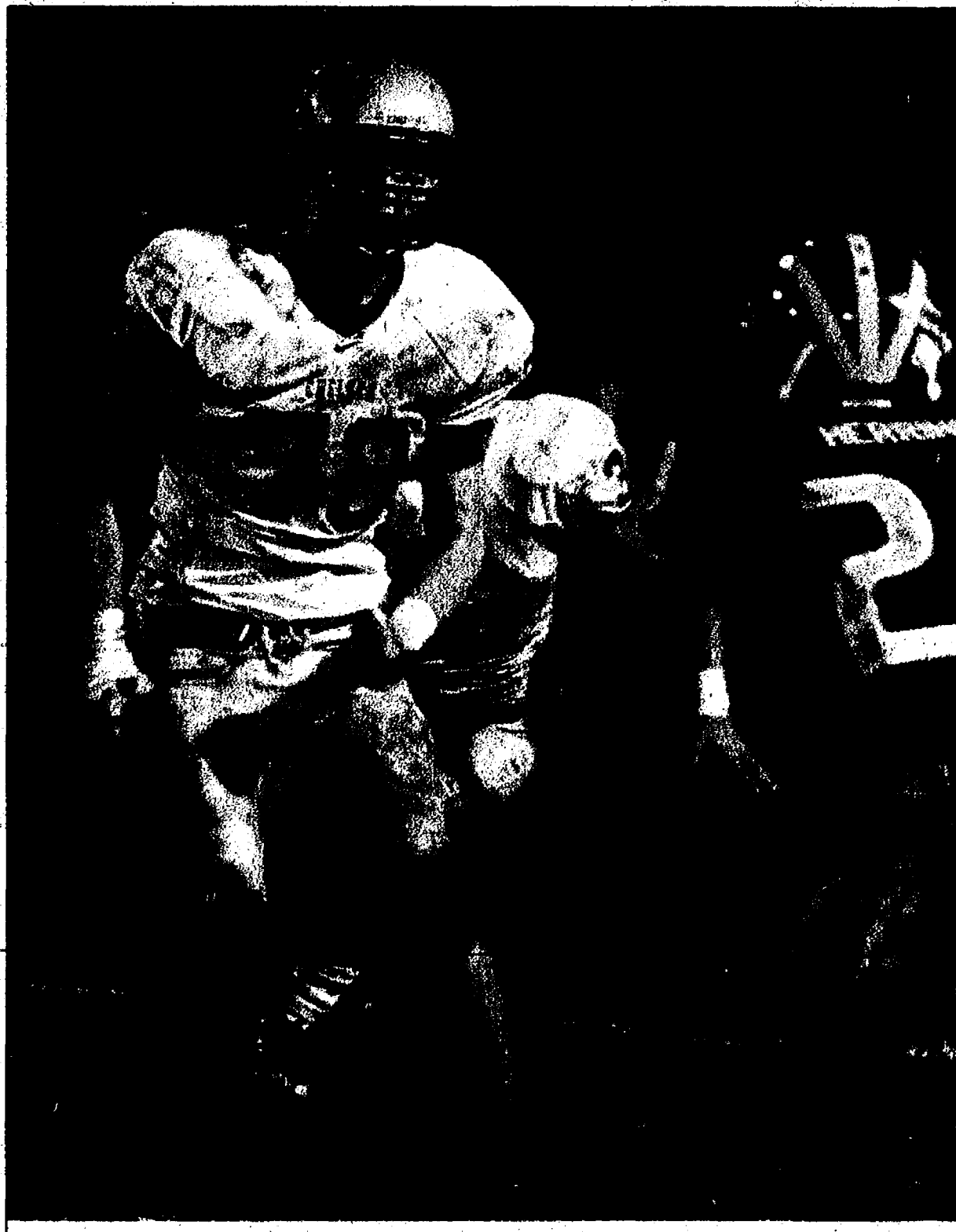


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Chelsea junior offensive tackle Connor Tait leads the way for running back Nick Hill during last Friday county rivalry game against Dexter.

Chelsea downs Dexter

By Don Richter
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Chelsea football defeated county rival Dexter 46-14 last Friday in the annual Southeastern Conference White Division grudge match at Al Ritt Field.

Despite muddy, soggy weather, Bulldog senior half-back Nick Hill still managed to rush for 285 yards and five touchdowns to lead visiting Chelsea (6-1). With the win, the Bulldogs qualified for the state playoffs for the 11th consecutive year. The streak is currently the sixth longest in the state.

"I thought our guys had a real business-like approach tonight," said Chelsea coach Brad Bush. "Our guys played hard and we executed. I feel good about where we're at. I'm real proud of our guys."

Dexter coach Tom Barbieri remained upbeat despite the setback.

"The kids played hard," he said. "They played against a good team. We never stopped them. Their (Chelsea) offense is very potent."

To begin the scoring, Hill darted in for a 16-yard touchdown run at 10:56 of the first



Photo courtesy of Burrill Strong

Bulldog senior Jesse Fomer breaks away for a big gain versus Dexter last Friday.

quarter.

With 7:14 to play in the first quarter, Hill exploded for a 78-yard touchdown run giving Chelsea a 12-0 advantage.

At 8:44 of the second quarter, Hill powered in for a 3-yard TD run. With the point after touchdown kick by junior Charlie Hess, the Bulldogs increased their lead

to 19-0.

Four minutes later, Hill scored his fourth touchdown of the night, this time on a 28-yard sprint. Hess split the uprights finishing a 56-yard, seven-play drive and giving Chelsea a 28-0 lead.

With 1:33 to play in the first

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Chelsea Places 14th at Portage

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's boys' cross country team competed at the prestigious Portage Invitational last Saturday.

The Portage meet is one of the largest in the state. With 42 teams participating, the talent level is at its highest.

"This is an energetic, vibrant affair that is a spectacle for athletes and fans alike," said Chelsea coach Eric Swager. "Our 14th-place finish put us in the top third of this tough field. Nine of the top 10 ranked teams in the state were in our race, so we faced some tough folks."

The Bulldogs ended up with 370 points. Winning the meet was Ionia with 78 points.

Placing second was Vicksburg with 120 points, while Linden was third with 205 points.

Individually for Chelsea, August Pappas finished eighth with a time of 16:08.

"August earned a medal with his top 10 overall finish, in spite of having one of his worst races of the season," Swager said. "Even the best runners have good and bad days. I'm sure he will bounce back."

Bryce Bradley was 42nd for Chelsea with a clocking of 16:54, while Kevin Stockwell was 98th in 17:36

CROSS COUNTRY

and Joe Hewitt 112th in 17:44 for the Bulldogs.

Geoff Smith-Wooliams crossed the line 118th in 17:46, while Spencer Cone was 208th in 18:45 and Kyle Hughes 256th in 19:40 for Chelsea.

"Stockwell, Cone and Hughes all had lifetime bests," Swager said.

"Spencer has been hurt since August, so it's nice to have him running again."

In the JV race, Shane McGrath led the Bulldogs placing 138th in a personal best 19:36.

Charlie Miller was 197th in 20:07, while Martin Harris was 207th in 20:14, Sean Owsley 244th in 20:34 and Austin Gray 284th in 21:13 for Chelsea.

Sam Christie ended up 321st in 21:57, while Austin Horn was 334th in 22:18 for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea next travels to Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard to compete in its invitational Saturday.

On Oct. 22, the Bulldogs will participate in the Southeastern Conference Jamboree No. 3 at Hudson Mills Metropark at 2:30 p.m.

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Photo by Teri Rittler

Chelsea's August Pappas finished eighth with a time of 16:08 at last Saturday's Portage Invitational.

Bulldogs battle foes in the pool

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's girls' swimming and diving team lost to host Temperance Bedford 126-80 last Thursday in a Southeastern Conference dual meet.

In the 200 medley relay, the Bulldogs foursome of Lauren Dark, Talla Dyerly, Kelly O'Keefe and Donna Prieskorn placed third with a time of 2:08.45. Sarah Daniel, Katie Olsen, Jillian Dixon and Kate Lewis-Lakin touched fourth in 2:17.46.

Michelle Kellogg finished fourth in the 200 freestyle with a clocking of 2:08.13. Jaclyn Murphy was fifth in 2:11.51, while Katie Easley was sixth in 2:16.94 for Chelsea. Hanna Newbound ended up

SWIMMING and DIVING

third in the 200 individual medley for the Bulldogs finishing with a time of 2:31.85. Claudia Bravo was fourth in 2:32.90, while O'Keefe was sixth in 2:43.12.

Hannah Olsen finished first in the 50 freestyle with a clocking of 26.14, while Prieskorn was fourth in 27.07 and Dyerly sixth in 27.73 for the Bulldogs.

In the one-meter diving competition, Dark was second with 227.50 points. Christina Coffman was third with 175.55 points, while Sarah Carrara was fourth with 153.35 points and Mare Almhleimid had 118.60 points for Chelsea. Bravo touched second in

the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:07.30. Dyerly was fifth in 1:12.44, while Katie Olsen was sixth in 1:16.84.

Hannah Olsen bested the field in the 100 freestyle in 57.19. Prieskorn was fifth in 58.59, while Murphy was sixth in 1:00.04 for the Bulldogs.

In the 500 freestyle, Easley was third in 6:08.81, while Newbound was fifth in 6:13.58 and Abby Ingall sixth in 6:14.42 for Chelsea.

The Bulldog quartet of Hannah Olsen, Murphy, Kellogg and Prieskorn placed second in the 200 freestyle relay with a clocking of 1:48.12. Alexis Roberts, Shelby Collins, Bravo and Easley placed fourth in 1:57.68, while Rachel Fredericks, Hannah Mahalak, Ellen Day

and Sheri Robbins finished sixth in 2:08.20.

Daniel was third in the 100 backstroke in 1:12.42, while Lewis-Lakin was fourth in 1:18.20 and Mahalak sixth in 1:22.97.

Kellogg placed second in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:14.06, while O'Keefe was fourth in 1:19.21 and Katlin Connin sixth in 1:21.19.

Hannah Olsen, Dyerly, Murphy and Kellogg placed third in the 400 freestyle relay in 3:54.70. Bravo, Newbound, Easley and Lewis-Lakin finished fifth in 4:17.50, while Kalia Croskey, Lauren Rainier, Danielle Bean and Robbins ended up sixth in 4:37.66.

On Oct. 6, visiting Chelsea defeated Pinckney 107-78 in a

dual meet.

In the 200 medley relay, Daniel, Bravo, Connin and Prieskorn placed second in 2:09.71. Katie Olsen, Roberts, O'Keefe and Collins ended up third in 2:15.40, while Emily Simons, Bean, Fredericks and Rainier finished fifth in 2:34.16.

Kellogg touched first in the 200 freestyle in 2:10.75, while Murphy was second in 2:13.77 and Easley fifth in 2:18.96.

Newbound finished second in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:32.87, while Bravo was fourth in 2:34.33 and Dyerly fifth in 2:40.76.

Hannah Olsen finished second in the 50 freestyle in 25.99, while Prieskorn was third in

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Chelsea's Katie Eisley finished third in the 500 freestyle with a clocking of 6:06.81 against Temperance Bedford last Thursday.

POOL

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27.50 and Lewis-Lakin fifth in 28.32.

In the one-meter diving competition, Dark placed second with 210.20 points. Coffman was third with 166.35 points, while Almhjemid was fourth with 115.50 points.

Bravo was second in the 100 butterfly with a clocking of 1:07.20, while Dyerly was third in 1:13.27 and Katie Olsen fourth in 1:15.90 for Chelsea.

Hannah Olsen finished second in the 100 freestyle in 56.81, while Lewis-Lakin was fourth in 1:02.33 for the Bulldogs.

Eisley ended up second in the 500 freestyle in 6:13.73, while

Newbound was third in 6:16.05 and Ingall fourth in 6:16.29.

The foursome of Hannah Olsen, Kellogg, Dyerly, and Prieskorn was first in the 200 freestyle relay in 1:47.06. Jillian Dixon, Katie Olsen, Lewis-Lakin and Collins placed third in 1:58.61, while Croskey, Mahalak, Robbins and day ended up fourth in 2:03.02.

Murphy finished first in the 100 backstroke with a clocking of 1:07.45. Daniel was third in 1:12.57, while Roberts was fourth in 1:18.24 for Chelsea.

Kellogg was first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:15.71, while O'Keefe was third in 1:19.18 and

Connin fourth in 1:21.90.

In the 400 freestyle relay, Hannah Olsen, Kellogg, Dyerly and Murphy touched first with a time of 4:03.16. Bravo, Lewis-Lakin, Eisley and Newbound finished third in 4:16.12, while Ingall, Rainier, Robbins and Mahalak placed fourth in 4:34.17.

Chelsea next travels to Ann Arbor Skyline for a meet Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

On Oct. 22, the Bulldogs will host Tecumseh at 6:30 p.m. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 429-7380 or at drichter@heritage.com.



Bulldog Hannah Olsen placed first in the 50 freestyle and the 100 freestyle in last week's dual meet against Temperance Bedford.

VOLLEYBALL

Dawgs advance to semifinals

The Chelsea junior varsity volleyball team advanced to the semifinals of its home tournament Oct. 10.

The Bulldogs went 3-0-1 in pool play, then defeated Brooklyn Columbia Central 25-19, 25-23 in the quarterfinals. They were eliminated in the semifinals with a 25-17, 19-25, 15-4 loss to the Adrian

Maples.

Dexter went on to win the tournament, beating Adrian in the finals.

In pool play, Chelsea scored victories over Jackson Northwest, Pinckney and Columbia Central. The Bulldogs also earned a split with Jackson County Western to enter bracket play seeded

third.

The Chelsea junior varsity volleyball team posted a 25-21, 20-25, 25-23 victory over the Ypsilanti Lincoln Railsplitters in a SEC White Division match Oct. 6. Lisa Keene served up 10 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Olivia Steele added eight service points.

SOCCER

Chelsea ties Lincoln, 1-1

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's boys' soccer team tied Southeastern Conference White Division foe Ypsilanti Lincoln 1-1 last Thursday.

"Both Chelsea and Lincoln played hard and made it a good game," said Chelsea coach Shawn Hayes. "I thought we outplayed Lincoln throughout the majority of the game, but Lincoln certainly created opportunities for themselves."

Scoring the host Bulldogs' lone goal was senior Nate Branham. Branham is tied for the team lead in goals with three this season.

Assisting on the goal for Chelsea was senior Joe Gunden.

Playing in net for the Bulldogs and preserving the tie was junior keeper Bobby Beneteau.

"He played a huge game for us," Hayes said. "He came up big for us with nine saves on 10 shots."

On Oct. 6, the host Bulldogs defeated Monroe 7-1.

Leading Chelsea were seniors Max McLaughlin and Lucas Riley with two goals apiece.

Scoring one goal for the Bulldogs were junior Patrick Roberts, junior Zach Petoskey and senior Nick Forsch.

Picking up assists on the



Chelsea's Patrick Roberts and the rest of his Bulldog teammates tied Ypsilanti Lincoln 1-1 last Thursday.

day for Chelsea were Lance Hammer, Kevin Fournier, Chris Stewart, McLaughlin and Riley.

Earning the win in net for the Bulldogs was Beneteau.

Chelsea next travels to county rival Dexter for a game Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

The Bulldogs open state district play Monday against Carleton Airport at 4:30 p.m.

Chelsea is hosting the district. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 429-7380 or at drichter@heritage.com.

FOOTBALL

Beach gridders lose game

The Chelsea Beach Middle School eighth grade Blue football team fell to Tecumseh 14-6 in a conference game Oct. 6.

Alex McDougall scored Chelsea's lone points on a 40-yard touchdown run and a two-point conversion. The Bulldogs had a chance to tie and possibly win the game in the fourth quarter, but dropped passes and penalties halted their drives.

The seventh grade Blue football team dropped a 22-6 decision against Tecumseh in another league game Oct. 6.

Alec Blockton gave the Bulldogs their first offensive touchdown on the season, scoring on a 78-yard run. Chelsea's defense recorded two big stops on fourth down, and Cameron Starkey recovered an onside kick for the Bulldogs.

On Sept. 29, the Chelsea Beach eighth grade Blue football team fell to the Monroe Trojans

20-6.

The lone score for the Bulldogs came on Ryan Knight's pass to Alex McDougall. Chelsea coach Jason Morris credited Garrett Gleske, Kurt Koss, Jake Dault, Austin Reardon, Frank Shanley and Grant Bater for their play on the offensive line.

The Bulldogs held Monroe scoreless in the second half. Trevor Branham, Tyler Eckler, Brandon Cameron and Jake LaBlanc led Chelsea in tackles.

The Chelsea Beach seventh grade football team dropped a conference game Sept. 29, falling 52-12 to the Adrian Maples. Ty-Nelson scored both of Chelsea's touchdowns on kickoff returns.

Cam Starkey completed two passes in the game, while Brian Evans had one reception and recorded two tackles on defense.

FIELD HOCKEY

Whippets tie Country Day

The Washtenaw Whippets field hockey team played to a 2-2 tie with Detroit Country Day at home Sept. 30.

Senior Kate Brown (Manchester) opened the scoring at the nine minute mark, sending her shot into the top corner of the net. Country Day answered with two minutes left in the half with a goal off a penalty corner.

The Yellowjackets took a 2-1 lead early in the

second half, again scoring off a corner shot. But with 13 minutes remaining, Casey Fry (Chelsea) took a pass from Clara Kreutz and fired a shot into the corner of the net, making it 2-2.

The Whippets are now 5-4-3 on the season. The team is made up of varsity field hockey players from Chelsea, Dexter and Manchester high schools.



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WHO'S WATCHING THE CHILDREN?

The Orange County Register thought its readers might like to know about the criminal histories of workers in the state's day-care facilities. After all, the paper's readers were placing their own trust and their children's well-being in the hands of those workers.

But the state of California turned down a series of newspaper Freedom of Information requests to look at those histories, citing the privacy rights of the workers. It also refused access to its data base of offenses and other day-care center violations unless the newspaper paid \$45,000 for the information.

In the end, the Register won its fight for access to documents—which were used to track down the criminals and public court records that revealed their histories. The newspaper also built its own data base from nearly 50,000 pages of inspection and complaint reports in Orange County. These efforts allowed the Register to unveil for the state's parents the uncomfortable truth. Throughout California, thousands of day-care workers had long criminal histories. The results of the data base analysis also showed pervasive problems of mistreatment, neglect, overcrowding and unsafe conditions.

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Ulisse paves way up front

FOOTBALL

By Don Richter
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In last Friday's 46-14 win over county rival Dexter, Chelsea's Nick Hill ran for 285 yards and scored five touchdowns. While Hill, who'll play at Michigan State University next season, deservedly garners most of the attention, it's the Bulldog linemen up front who have been opening up the holes this season. A job without a lot of glory, the offensive line is a key component to any successful attack.

Leading the group along the line of scrimmage this season for Chelsea is senior tackle Paul Ulisse (6-foot, 240 pounds).

Ulisse said he enjoys playing on the offensive line. "It's a team game and we're a unified group," he said. "We don't get a lot of the credit, but

I like blocking people. We're one of the most important parts of the team."

Ulisse said he still remembers his favorite block during a game.

"It was last year in our first game," he said. "It was a toss play and I pancaked the corner. That's stuck in my head ever since. It's a wonderful feeling getting a pancake block. Everybody gets excited."

Ulisse missed most of last season with an injury. He was driven to get back on the field his senior year.

"I kept working hard to become a starter," he said. "I worked hard in the weight room and studied a lot of plays."

I basically learned the offense again and worked on my technique."

Ulisse said he enjoys blocking for as talented as Hill.

"I don't know what to say about him," he said. "He's amazing. He makes a big play

out of nothing. I get a block and I feel like I've made him better or helped him score."

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"It's a team game and we're a unified group."

PAUL ULISSE
Chelsea senior tackle



Photo courtesy of Burrill Strong

Chelsea senior offensive tackle Paul Ulisse manhandled a Dexter defender during last Friday's contest against the Dreadnaughts.

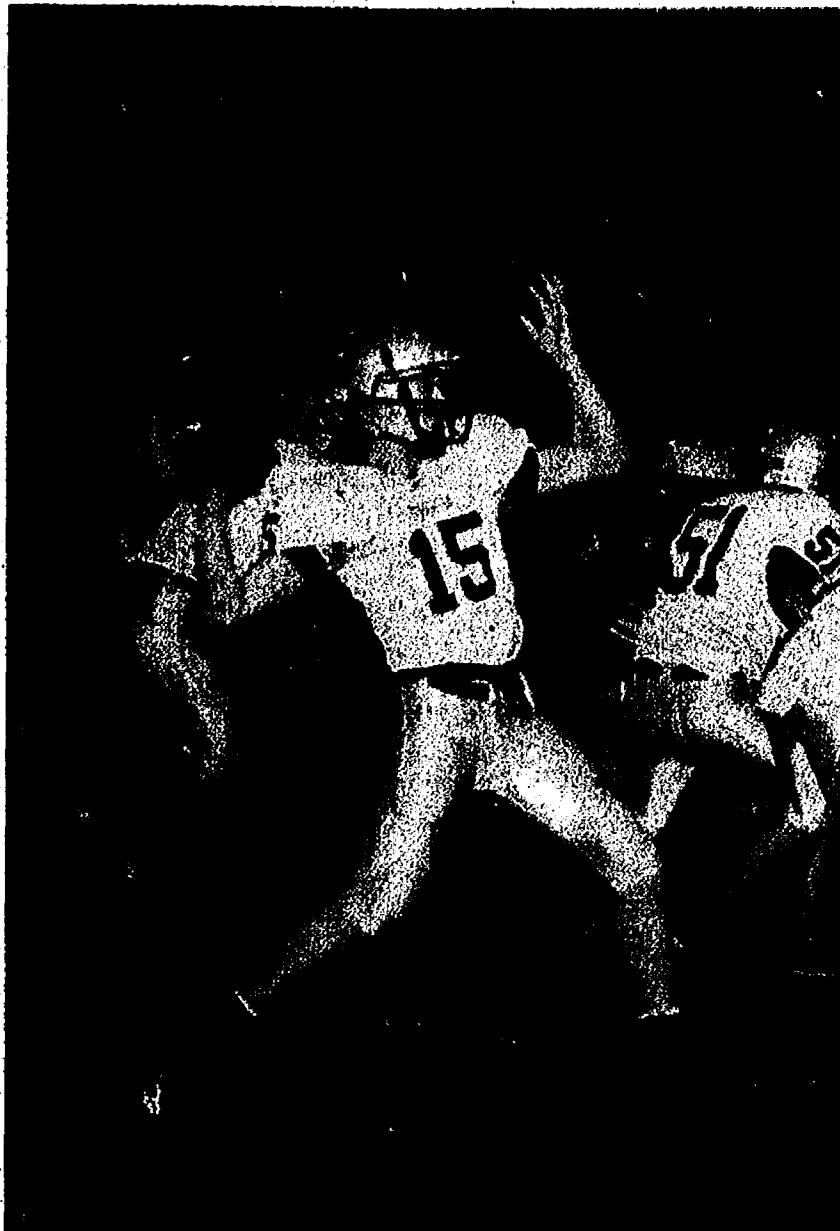


Photo by Jerry Milliken

Chelsea junior quarterback Brian Paulsen drops back to pass against Dexter last Friday.

DEXTER

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half, junior Chris Ballow hit pay dirt on a 13-yard run. Hess kicked the extra point increasing the Bulldogs' lead to 33-0.

At 8:31 of the third quarter, Dexter sophomore quarterback Mike Mioduszewski scored on a 1-yard sneak cutting Chelsea's lead to 33-6. The touchdown capped a 10-play, 60-yard drive that consumed 3:20 off the clock.

The Bulldogs answered right-back, however, as Hill broke free for a 50-yard touchdown run. Hess hit the extra point increasing Chelsea's lead to 40-6 with 7:08 remaining in the third quarter.

Senior halfback Brian Bazydio scored on a 6-yard run for the Bulldogs at 8:33 of the fourth quarter. The 16-play, 76-yard scoring drive gave Chelsea a 46-6 advantage.

With 2:22 left in the game, Mioduszewski scored his second TD of the contest on a 1-yard run. The 2-point conversion pass from senior Henry Haley to senior Rob Mayrand was successful for the night's final 46-14 tally.

Chelsea finished with 538 total yards of offense, including 470 yards on the ground. Dexter ended up with 345 yards total offense, with 214 yards coming via the air.

Besides Hill, Ballow finished with 65 yards rushing on four carries for the Bulldogs.

Mioduszewski led the Dreadnaughts with 80 yards rushing on 10 attempts. Sequoyah Burke-Combs added 24 yards on seven carries.

Chelsea junior quarterback Brian Paulsen had 50 yards passing going 4-of-9.

Mioduszewski finished 18-of-32 for 207 yards passing. Receiving-wise, senior Jesse Forner had two catches for 15 yards to pace Chelsea.

For Dexter, senior Alex Dobbs had eight receptions for 91 yards, while sophomore Jay Lewis had three catches for 32 yards and Burke-Combs three receptions for 28 yards.

Senior Scott Devol and Hess led the Bulldog defense with four tackles apiece. The Dreadnaughts were led on defense by senior Mason Mabry with nine tackles, while junior Noah Hiser had eight stops and senior Dillon Kipke seven tackles.

Chelsea next hosts Ann Arbor Pioneer (6-1) for homecoming Friday at 7 p.m.

Dexter (2-5) hosts Monroe Friday at 7 p.m.

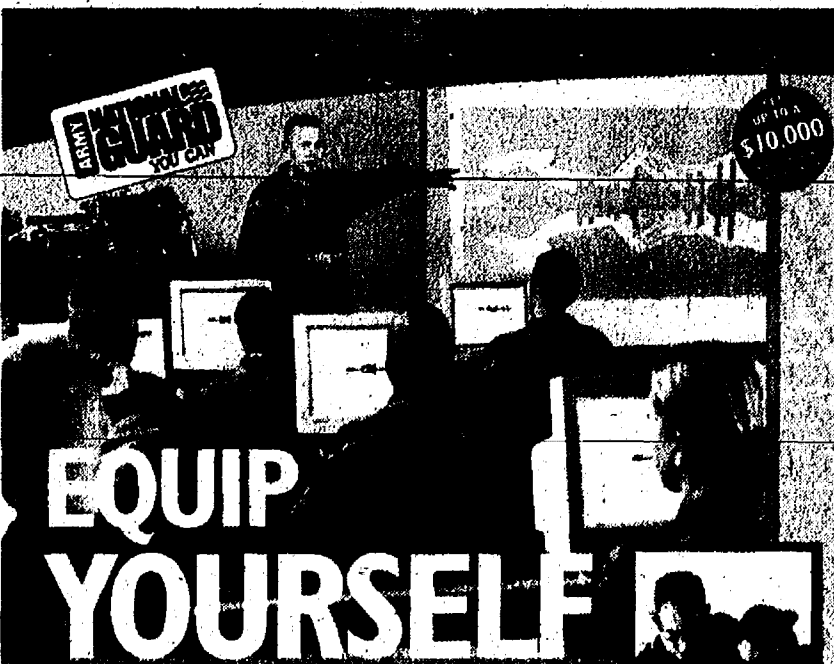
Freshman Football Chelsea's freshman football team defeated visiting Dexter 46-7 last Thursday.

Quarterback Logan Brown finished 12-of-14 for 195 yards and one touchdown to lead the Bulldogs.

Colton Platt scored three TDs, while Craig Centofanti, Tommy Olsen, Travis Nichols and Christian Vosters also scored TDs for Chelsea.

"The kids played okay, but we were sloppy at times," said Chelsea coach Dennis Strzyzewski. "We will continue to improve. It is fun to see these kids root so hard for each other and be excited for each other's success."

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PREP VOLLEYBALL IN FOCUS: LYNDSAY REYNOLDS

Big hitter

Saline spiker savors sport as one of area's best

By Jana Miller
Heritage Newspapers

Lyndsay Reynolds didn't start out playing volleyball for any particularly unusual reason. She doesn't have any strange unheard of stories. Even her involvement in the sport has included the standard timeline of community education in fifth grade, travel teams, and development with her school's varsity.

Yet she still loves it all the same, and that has led her to become one of the area's best outside hitters of this year. Plus it just might be her ticket to a collegiate program.

"I just like the atmosphere," said Reynolds. "I like quick things and I don't like slow games. So I like the fast attacks and the plays. Plus the girls are great and really fun to be with."

Reynolds is one of the players making those fast plays. Originally a middle blocker up until high school—primarily due to her height—she is now a left side for the Hornets, but capable of also playing right side. She and five other seniors are leading Saline's team this year.

So far, the Saline squad has upped the anticipation for post-season play with participation in the toughest tournaments around. Already this year, the girls have competed in tournaments that pitted them against seven of the Division 1 top 10 teams. Those games have been close and the Hornets are very capable of playing up to the challenge.

Reynolds has been a statistical leader and standout in every single one, often with the team's high for kills. She regularly gets double doubles for kills and digs.

Her performance makes it easy enough to carve out a leadership role, which is paramount for a team with no designated captains.

"I have six seniors who all have great leadership qualities and all contribute in some way," head Saline coach Lisa Shea said earlier this season. "Choosing a captain I think would actually detract from the chemistry of the team. These

girls are wholly capable of leading the team together."

Reynolds and her five fellow senior classmates have been doing just that and accomplishing great things along the way. In response to whether or not Reynolds believes herself to be a leader vocally or by example, she said, "I'm a bit of both."

"I try to lead by example as much as I can and try to be as loud as I can out there. I do my best to encourage my teammates and pick them up when they're down."

Watching her play is an entirely different experience to speaking with the young lady, who smiles often and has a soft and feminine voice. Out on the court, however, it's a different story.

"Mine, mine, mine!" she'll shout on the court, drowning out anyone who might confuse her ball for theirs. Whenever she calls the ball, it's in good hands.

Head coach Shea knew this coming in, having previously coached her in M Juniors in the 15's group.

"I loved her then and I still love her," Reynolds said of Shea. "She has a great coaching style. She knows when to have fun and when to work hard. I was glad she came in for our senior year."

Reynolds is also in search of the right collegiate program in hopes to continue playing volleyball after graduation from Saline. She has been in discussions with several Division 1 and 2 schools, but has made no official decisions yet.

Those decisions will wait until at least the conclusion of this fall's season, which still is well under way. Reynolds and the rest of the Hornets have high hopes for district play.

"I knew going into this season that we had a lot of great potential this year," she said. "We have a great defense and I knew our hitting was really good. I hope we can make it all the way to regionals. That is a big goal of mine."

Reynolds would like to study education in college and become an elementary school teacher. She is also open to the idea of coaching later down the road, especially after helping



File photo

Saline volleyball player Lyndsay Reynolds is one of the area's best outside hitters.

to coach the younger players in Saline's Community Education.

Sister to Haley and Michael and daughter to Jon and Lynn Reynolds, Lyndsay is a member of SADD and Young Life. She is also an avid nonfiction reader who likes history.

In her downtime she often spends time with teammates outside of practice and competition. Several of the girls are very close friends with Reynolds, including her best friend and teammate Jen Finkbeiner.

So far Reynolds' favorite memory from this season was defeating Dexter in a match-up. The Hornets were unable to do so against the Dreadnaughts last season and Reynolds was ecstatic to get one back.

"It was a really great thing

and I'm glad we managed to do that," she said.

In all likelihood, however, the memorable moments are not yet over for this volleyball leader.

Fans of Reynolds will get to watch her in plenty of games in the future, and perhaps even as a coach herself.

"I just love the sport and

FEATURED ATHLETES

Each week, Heritage Newspapers will take a closer look at some of the top prep athletes in the region. Here are some of the standouts from local schools.



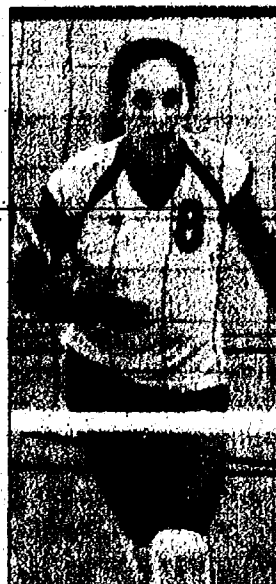
Bekah Draves

Bekah Draves is a senior at Milan High School and has been playing volleyball since the third grade. She first played for the Washtenaw Area Volleyball Association, the predecessor of the Huron Valley Volleyball Club which she plays with now. She started on Milan's varsity team as a freshman and has led the team in kills every year. She also led the team in kills, aces and digs her junior year and was named to the All-League First Team, the All-Region team and the Ann Arbor News All-Area team. She was recruited by several schools last year and verbally committed last spring to play for Hillsdale College in 2010. She signs her national letter of intent in November.



All Krips

Dexter senior Ali Krips (5 feet, 10 inches) is an outside hitter for the Dreadnaughts and one of the most feared attackers in the Southeastern Conference. She is a returning All-SEC performer and has helped her team to a record of 28-6-2 so far this season. She recently led the Dexter team to a championship at the Saline Invitational, pacing the team with a team-high 81 kills in the tournament. Dexter defeated traditional state power Bedford in the finals.



Brittany Schmelz

Chelsea senior Brittany Schmelz (5 feet, 10 inches) has been a constant force for the Bulldog volleyball program for the past three years. She is one of the region's hardest hitters and an All-SEC selection. Schmelz uses her jumping ability and deft timing to consistently deliver laser-like spikes past the blocking arms and outstretched bodies of opponents throughout the area.

would love to stay with it in adult leagues and whatnot," she said. "And maybe even coach. That would be a lot of fun."

If coaching is anywhere near

as fun as watching Reynolds play, it's definitely worth a shot.

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Rivalries always special

It was rivalry week last week for some high school football teams in the Heritage Newspapers-West region.

From Ypsilanti to Dexter to Ann Arbor, fans flocked to area stadiums despite the rainy, muddy weather.

Crosstown rivals Lincoln and Ypsilanti squared off for the first time in years last Friday night. Though the field was more quagmire than gridiron, it was nice to see these two natural rivals butt heads between the lines.

Entering the contest, the visiting Phoenix were winless on the season. Sparked, I'm sure, by the rivalry, and helped by the soggy field, as well, Ypsilanti defeated the Splitters in a baseball-like 6-2 score earning its first victory of the year.

Over in Dexter, the Dreadnaughts hosted county rival Chelsea. The Bulldogs, led by Michigan State-bound half-back Nick Hill, scorched Dexter 46-14. Hill rushed for 285 yards and scored five touchdowns to lead the Bulldogs.

With the win, Chelsea improved to 6-1 overall and qualified for the state playoffs for the 11th consecutive season. Another area rivalry game last Friday pitted Ann Arbor Pioneer against Ann Arbor Huron.

Like they did in their season opener against Inkster, the Pioneers rallied late to pull out an exciting 23-18 win over the River Rats.

Pioneer improved to 6-1 overall.

With its victory over Huron, the Pioneers set up a showdown with Chelsea Friday. The host Bulldogs will be celebrating homecoming against Pioneer.

CHALK TALK



DON RICHTER

Also last Friday, the rivalry that was the end all and be all when I was growing up turned out to be a rout. Westland John Glenn defeated Wayne Memorial 42-6 last week.

With the win, the Rockets' overall record now stands at 6-1, while the Zebras have a 3-4 mark.

Yes, you read right. Wayne Memorial's mascot is a zebra. Why, you may ask?

Who knows. I've been trying to figure that mystery out for decades. Even longtime Wayne residents and former graduates of the school look skyward with squinted eyes, rub their chins and shake their heads when posed the question.

And, no, real live zebras have never been known to roam Wayne's downtown streets at night and no, no famous zebra with a whistle has ever lived in the city, either.

I guess, like the Great Pyramids and crop circles, the mystery of the Wayne Memorial Zebra mascot will continue to live on forever.

That aside, I once played in

the John Glenn-Wayne rivalry game years ago. In that contest, I lined up against one of my best friends from junior high. The junior high I attended was split right down the middle, with half going to Glenn and the other half becoming Zebras. That's one of the reasons why the rivalry is so heated.

Anyhow, in the game, I made a block on my friend and knocked him down. We never faced each other again during the contest. After graduation, we both lost touch.

Fast forward to two weeks ago and 25 years later. I saw that same friend, a Navy veteran who's now a successful airline pilot flying corporate bigwigs and Wall Street wannabes in private jets to all corners of the globe, at a combined Glenn-Wayne class reunion. We unexpectedly bumped into each other at the bar while ordering a ginger ale. We shook hands and gave our polite hellos and how-are-you questions and answers. After that was done, we stood there looking down into our ginger ale-filled glasses, the silence becoming louder by the second.

Finally, I looked him square in the eye and said, "I knocked you down." He instantly howled with laughter knowing exactly what I was referring to. We spent the rest of the night talking and catching up, the conversation flowing like it always had when we were younger.

While the Zebra mascot mystery may live on indefinitely, thankfully, also living on forever will be football rivalries and the lifetime memories they provide.

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Pigskin Picks

The football experts at Heritage Newspapers will make their picks for the week's contests. Here are this week's prognostications:

	Don Richter	Dave Merchant	Ed Patino	Jana Miller	Mike Larson
This Week's Games					
Chelsea	Pioneer	Chelsea	Pioneer		
Monroe	Monroe	Monroe	Monroe		
Huron	Huron	Huron	Huron		
Manchester	Manchester	Manchester	Manchester		
Belleville	Belleville	Belleville	Belleville		
Willow Run	Willow Run	Willow Run	Willow Run		
Saline	Saline	Saline	Saline		
Milan	Milan	Milan	Milan		
Gabriel Richard	Royal Oak Shrine	Gabriel Richard	Gabriel Richard		
Central Michigan	Central Michigan	Central Michigan	Central Michigan		
Last Week's Record	6-2	7-3	6-2	7-3	7-3
Overall Record	5-18	50-20	5-18	53-17	

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

SEC Red	Conf.	Over.	Catholic League	Conf.	Over.
Bedford	5-0	5-2	AA Gab. Richard	4-0	6-1
Pioneer	4-1	6-1	Notre Dame Prep	3-1	5-2
Monroe	2-2	2-5	Detroit Loyola	1-2	3-3
Huron	1-3	3-4	Bishop Foley	1-2	2-4
Saline	0-4	2-5	Riv. Gab. Rich.	0-4	1-6
SEC White	Conf.	Over.	Huron League	Conf.	Over.
Adrian	5-0	6-1	St. Mary CC	6-0	6-1
Chelsea	4-1	6-1	Airport	5-1	6-1
Lincoln	2-3	2-5	Milan	4-2	5-2
Tecumseh	2-3	2-5	Jefferson	3-3	4-3
Dexter	1-4	2-5	Grosse Ile	2-3	3-4
Ypsilanti	1-4	1-6	Fiat Rock	2-4	2-5
West. Wayne	Conf.	Over.	NB Huron	1-4	2-5
Fordson	4-0	7-0	Riverview	1-4	1-6
Edsel Ford	3-1	6-1			
Dearborn	2-2	4-3			
Belleville	1-3	2-5			
Romulus	0-4	0-7			
Independent	Overall				
Willow Run	3-4				

FOOTBALL STATS

Rushing	Att.	Yds	TD
N. Hill-Chel	164	1293	25
S. Burke-Combs-D	105	459	3
G. Miller-Lincoln	61	440	3
D. Hone-Man.	60	433	6
A. Dillon-Lincoln	77	388	5
A. LaBoda-B	62	345	5
C. Sims-WR	55	337	1
A. Gardette-WR	53	328	1
C. Ballow-Chel.	29	272	2
J. Mackson-B	28	271	3
A. McMurray-D	53	266	4
B. Sklener-Man.	34	214	3
L. Howard-B	44	211	2
W. Meadows-WR	32	166	
L. Zigila-Man.	44	141	5
C. Adams-Chel.	16	106	0
N. Marks-WR	15	84	
Passing	C-A-Int.	Yds	TD
L. Zigila-Man.	72-128-1	1088	12
A. Dillon-Lin.	59-127-9	1037	12
A. McMurray-D	64-89-3	707	4
B. Paulsen-Ch.	37-71-2	563	5
J. Griffen-WR	24-60	299	1
M. Tooley-B	13-52-5	255	2
Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD
Every-Man.	29	405	7
Thompson-Lin.	25	530	7
Chaffee-D	20	275	2
Hamilton-Man	15	247	3
Blades-Man	15	241	2
S. Burke-Combs-D	15	143	
Leonard-WR	11	168	1
H. Haley-D	11	114	
Ballow-Ch.	9	202	1
Borders-Ch.	9	190	3
Lewis-D	9	109	1
Wesley-Lin	6	142	2
N. Marks-WR	6	38	
B. Bishop-B	4	116	1

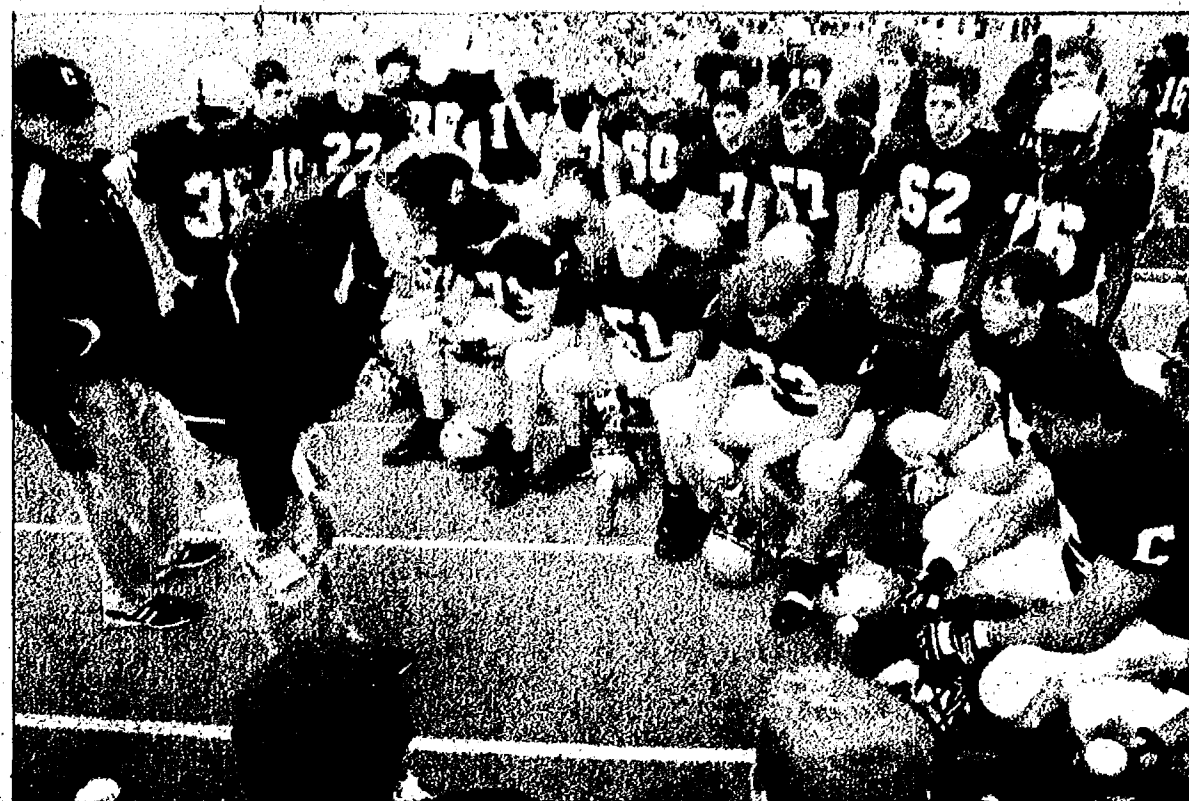
CROSS COUNTRY AREA LEADERS

Boys	Time	Girls	Time
A. Pappas-Che	15:38	A. Leptich-Sal	17:56
B. Carruthers-Dex	16:13	K. Carter-Sal	18:21
A. Vermeulen-Dex	16:43	J. Tomecek-Milan	18:26
B. Bradley-Che	16:46	K. Yarows-Dex	18:44
C. Sherman-Bel	16:52	A. Swain-Milan	19:25
A. Gilman-Dex	16:54	A. Cummings-Sal	19:36
T. Neely-Dex	16:56	C. Dishman-Dex	19:41
T. McGee-Ypsi	17:12	E. Pap-Dex	19:47
M. Greve-Dex	17:23	Danielle Dahl-Che	20:11
K. Woodard-Ypsi	17:25	A. Kluitenberg-Ypsi	20:14
K. Wooten-Bel	17:27	K. Taylor-Dex	20:20
J. Hewitt-Che	17:31	J. Battaglia-Che	20:35
J. Adamovicz-Lin	17:44	L. LaFontaine-Dex	20:48
G. Smith-Wooloms-Che	7:46	C. Maher-Che	20:56
K. Stockwell-Che	7:50	J. Beaumont-Che	20:58
T. Fisher-Milan	18:02	E. Mozdy-Bel	21:28
Z. Peattie-Lin	18:14	E. Johnson-Che	21:30
N. Anderson-Milan	18:20	A. Gelder-Lin	21:39
J. Pfeiffer-Lin	18:39	C. Carpenter-Che	21:40
A. Goricki-Lin	18:59	S. Rohrbach-Bel	21:59
		S. Pace-Lin	24:53

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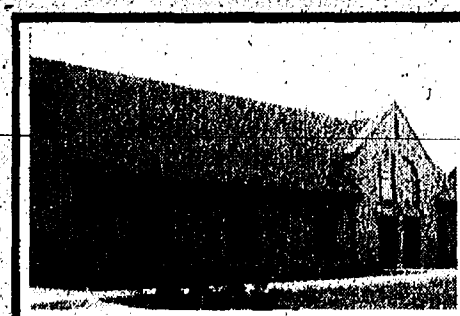
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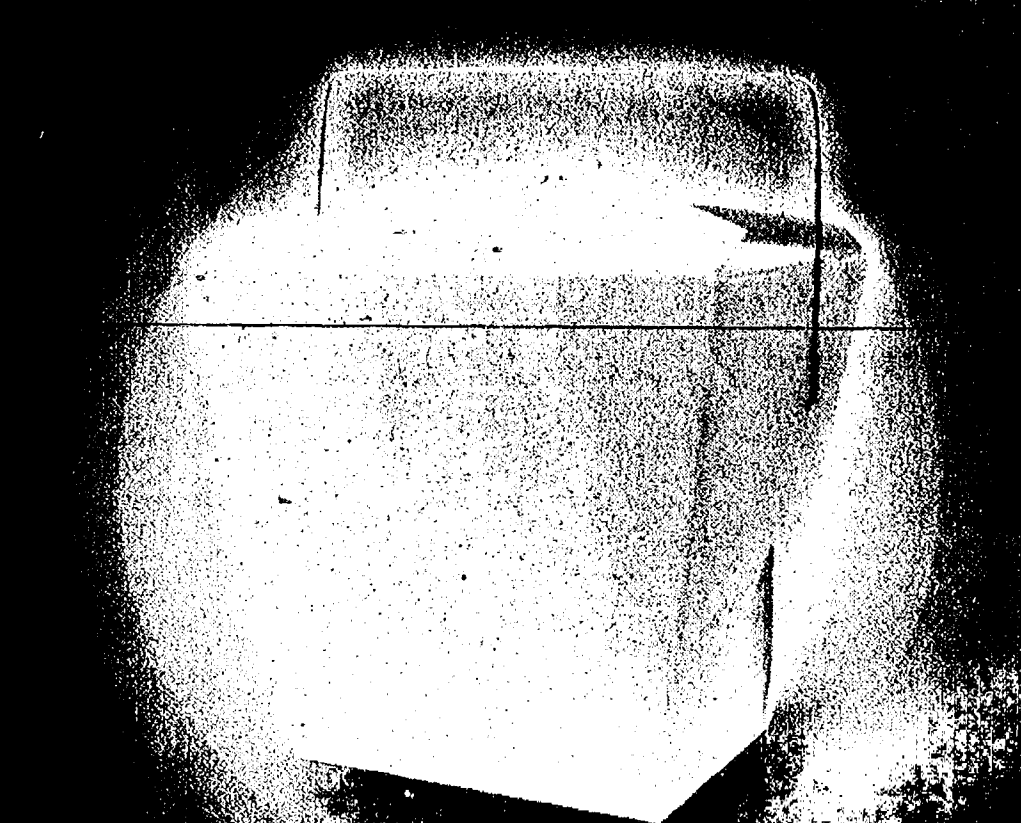
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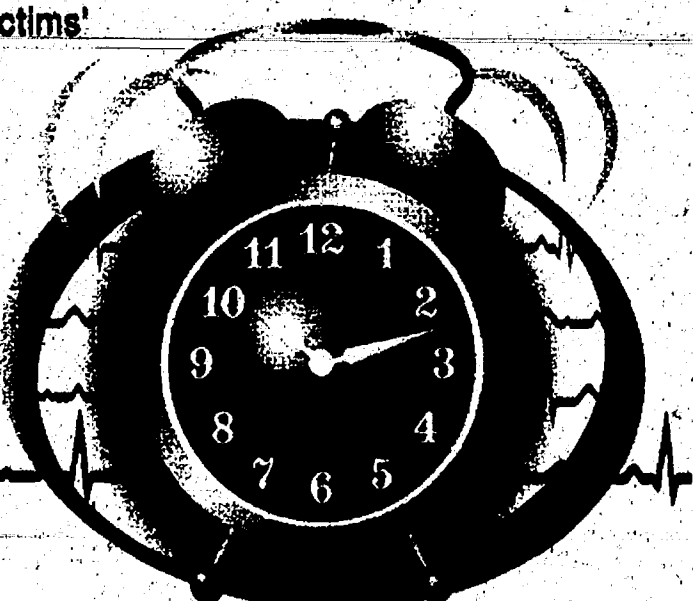
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Pastor brings 'joy and enthusiasm' to Chelsea church

By Alana West
Special Writer

The Rev. Barb Edema was looking for a call from a new church when she first visited Chelsea. At the time, she had been serving in Grand Rapids for several years, and had heard that a chaplain was needed at a retirement center. They told her that the First Congregational Church of Chelsea was also looking for a minister. She decided to visit the church during a Sunday service. She immediately felt at home and sent in her application and credentials.

The members of First Congregational accepted her call, and opened their hearts and minds to her new ideas that manifested themselves amid the traditional liturgy they had always embraced.

"People follow her like the Pied Piper," said Arly Spink, a longtime member of the church who volunteers her time weekly to help in the office. "She has such joy and enthusiasm. There is one guy in the congregation who says she knocks his socks off. And he framed his socks and gave them to her."

In Edema's office is a framed picture containing a pair of socks and a thank you from the pastoral search committee.

"This has been the best place ever in the world," said Edema. "I hope I can stay here for a very long time. I want to be in this place. I want to make sure it never gets boring and predictable, and people keep growing in the faith."

Among the areas Edema led the congregation to try was a mission trip, which happens annually now, to help rebuild homes of those whose homes have been destroyed.

"We went to New Orleans to rebuild homes. Four years (after Katrina) and they are still building homes," said Edema, who said they have also visited Kentucky on a similar mission. Thirty-five people accompanied her on these trips, which comprised almost half of the con-

FYI

First Congregational Church
Address: 121 E. Middle St., Chelsea
Phone: 1-734-475-1844
Web site: www.hvnc.org/info/chelsea/

Pastor: The Rev. Barbara Edema
Worship Service: 10 a.m., Sunday
Sunday School: 9 a.m., Sunday

Members: 85
Mission Statement: The mission of our church is to enable persons to take responsibility to God, self, church, community and world. We are called together to worship God, to grow in God's word, to share the Lord's supper and to fellowship so we can go forth, enlightened, strengthened and empowered, to minister to humankind, as Jesus did - to the poor, the captive, the blind, the oppressed and crushed. (Luke 4: 18-19)

gregation. Among them were young kids who helped as well. "They kept saying, 'Give us a job,'" said Edema. "They didn't just lay around. It was just great."

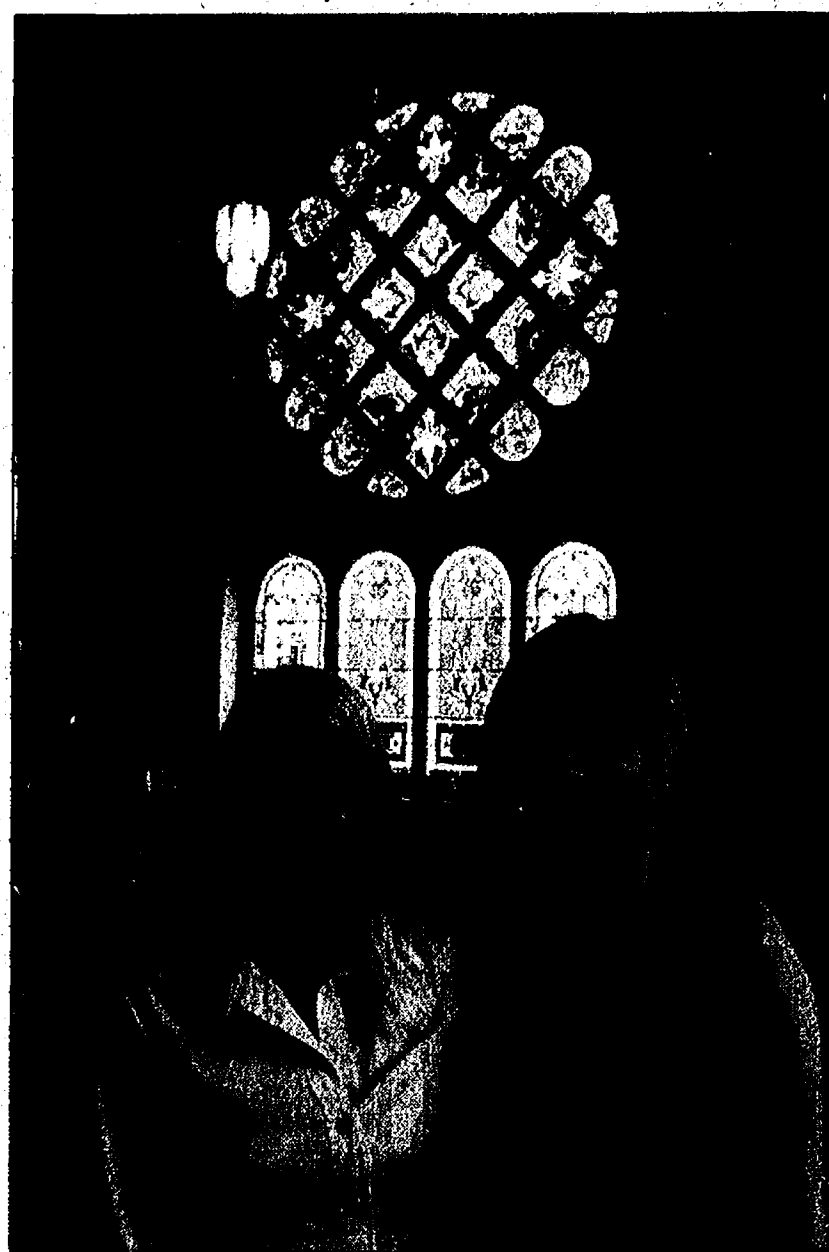
Spink said that the congregation never had anyone to inspire them to do anything like this before.

"We went to Jackson for Habitat for Humanity, but we never ventured very far away," said Spink, who added that they had never redecorated the office for any minister they had had previously.

"This office was all dark and kept its green shag carpet for 40 years. But she's so inspiring. So cute. We wanted something bright and lively to match her personality," said Spink.

Spink said that Edema also uses props when she preaches, something that is also new to them.

"Three weeks ago, we had a cooking demonstration," said Spink. "She used sardines, vinegar and hot mustard and (other things) to represent evil, and



The Rev. Barb Edema and Arly Spink stand in the sanctuary of Chelsea's First Congregational Church. The church was built in 1885, and the congregation first began in 1849.

honey, milk, wheat and sugar to make a wonderful loaf of bread. That is something I will remember forever," said Spink.

Another week Edema walked around the congregation carrying a three-week-old baby in her arms. Once she put the Bible armor, such as the helmet of salvation, on two students in the form of football padding. She also preached a sermon portraying broken bricks as crosses people had to bear.

Edema said that she appreciates her congregation for letting her inspiration run free.

"This is a congregation which allows me to do new things. It has not always been my experience. This church says, 'Just be you,'" she said,

adding that she follows the lexicon of Bible verses to create her sermons, but allows inspiration to interpret these verses.

"All Protestant churches use a lexicon, and in three years you will preach the whole Bible if you incorporate all of the scriptures of the day," said Edema.

She often has inspiration for her sermons when she wakes up in the middle of the night, after struggling over a text she thinks might be difficult or boring.

The cooking show idea came to her when she was reading the verses of the week which included a long list of sins.

The horrible ingredients became the basis for evil, and the delicious ingredients of

honey and wheat and milk became the basis of communion bread.

"I asked them, 'What would you rather live in, the wholeness of the bread of life, or in the bowl of yuck?'" said Edema, who originally grew up in California, and attended seminary at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa.

"When I was 18, I was actually pursuing an acting career in Hollywood when I received a message from my father about performing Christian plays in Israel. It turned into a total life-changing experience, being there, acting out the Nativity story and the passion of Christ. It was so real. I wanted to share the stories," said Edema, whose father was a Baptist minister.

She said he had never encouraged her to become a minister. "He thought acting was great," she said.

When she was young, she said, she had found church to be very boring. Her father regularly preached 40 minute sermons.

"People can't listen that long," she said.

"In Israel, that's where I felt the call, a deep, deep feeling as I walked down those streets that Jesus had been there. This was where the Wise Men came, where the angels came: Day after day of being in these holy places. We did the play on the ruins of Caiaphas' palace, and saw the ruins of the cell where Jesus stayed the last night before he died," she said. "The call came from a desire to tell people that the Bible is real."

Jesus is real, the story is real and has to be told, or I am wasting my life. And I have never wavered," said Edema.

Edema's favorite Bible verse is the entire Psalm 139.

"I think because I like knowing about God's continued concern until the day we die. God has his hands completely around my life. My life is knit together to create a life worthy of God's continued presence. I've never heard an audible voice, but I don't believe anything happens from a coinci-

dence." She said she has seen too many instances of God's work daily in people's lives.

"I see in tragic circumstances that God can make good come out of any situation," said Edema. She uses for comparison her own situation, in which her brother, Todd, committed suicide when he was 26 years old.

"For my mother and myself, that was the worst experience of my life," said Edema, who has no other siblings. Her brother did not leave a note to explain his reasons.

The opportunity for good, she said, comes from the fact that her mother and she have been able to spend time with other people who have lost someone to suicide and help to allay their grief through their sympathy.

"(Todd) worked with mental patients who were horribly neglected by society and their families. His whole life was geared to providing them with love. He spent his paychecks to buy them slippers, or to throw them surprise parties," said Edema, who added that her mother had also worked in a mental institution and instilled in both of her children that they would care for the people whom nobody else cared for. Her father also invited people without a place to go to his home on Thanksgiving, and regularly gave money to beggars in the street.

"Todd got a job in a hospital and gave up everything for his own pleasure. Because of how he lived, people have been inspired by him," said Edema, who spent her summers growing up working with disabled children who were unable to feed themselves, or manage basic care. "We decided not to live in his suicide, but to remember him for his amazing sense of humor."

She said her years as a minister have taught her that people all have their list of tragedies.

"But they need to keep believing and have faith in God. If there is no love, what else is there?" Edema said.

News in Brief

Purple Rose discount

The Purple Rose Theatre Co. has announced a half-price Halloween special for "Escanaba" by Jeff Daniels for both the 3 and 8 p.m. performances on Saturday, Oct. 31. The play is the final installment of the classic Yoooper trilogy that began with "Escanaba in da Moonlight" and "Escanaba in Love." Discount tickets can be reserved by calling the PRTC Box Office at 734-433-7673; Box office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Discount tickets also are available for purchase at purple-rosetheatre.org.

Infant at Work at TLC

TLC Eyecare & Laser Centers announced the launch of their "Infant-at-Work" program. Under this program, new parents will have the opportunity to bring their baby with them to work on a daily basis until the child reaches six months of age or until the child begins crawling, whichever comes first.

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that during current economical times that managing a home and work schedule can be challenging for a new parent.

"We understand the demands on working parents," says Sue DeMott, executive vice president of TLC Eyecare & Laser Centers. "We are excited to be able to offer this program to our employees to allow them to balance work and family during this important

time in their child's life." TLC Eyecare & Laser centers are located through Michigan, including one in Chelsea. For

more information about TLC Eyecare & Laser Centers, call 1-877-852-8463 or visit www.tlceyecare.com.

Village of Dexter Leaf Pick-Up Reminders

Leaf pick-up with the vacuum truck will start the week of October 19, 2009 and continue through the first week of December (or until the first big snowfall). Pick-up of compost by Waste Management will continue until November 27. Please do not put any debris (garbage, sticks, etc) in the leaf piles and please do not rake leaves into ditches or parking spots. Thank you for your cooperation.

Village of Dexter Department of Public Works

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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public accuracy test including the AutoMark Machine for the November 3, 2009 Election will be conducted at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at the Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI 48118.

This accuracy test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk
Posted: October 9, 2009
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Washtenaw County Legal Notice

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Services. Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. A voluntary prebid conference will be held on Friday, October 23, 2009 at 8:30am at ETCS Administration, Alpha Level, Key Bank, 301 W. Michigan, Ypsilanti, MI 48197. RFP 6499 Due: Friday, October 30, 2009 by 3:00 pm local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at <http://bids.ewashtenaw.org> and click on "online bids".

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NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Act 344 of the Public Acts of 1982 that a REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS session held on October 7, 2009, will be available for public inspection and copying from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning Tuesday, October 20, 2009, at the Office of the County Clerk/Register, Suite 120, 200 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE OF DEXTER PLANNING COMMISSION

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Planning Commission will hold an additional public hearing on Monday, November 2, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Dexter, Ann Arbor Road, Dexter, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding amendments to the Chapter 21, Subdivision Regulations, of the Village of Dexter General Code. Amendments are minor and being recommended as required by the adoption of new Michigan Planning Enabling Act (PA 33 of 2008) legislation. The amendments are as follows:

All sections numbers will be amended to reflect section numbers within Chapter 21 of the General Code. Procedures for Subdivision Plat review and approval have been amended in accordance with the new legislation. Information regarding the proposed text amendments is available for public inspection at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street, Dexter, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or by phone at (734) 428-6303 Ext. 15. Written comments regarding the proposed ordinance amendments should be submitted to the Village Offices, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 29, 2009. Sign language interpreter, or other assistance, is provided upon request to the Clerk, at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Minutes of all meetings are available at Village Offices and on the Village website, www.villageofdexter.org.

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Washtenaw County Legal Notice

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Wagner-Peyser Employment Services. Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. A voluntary prebid conference will be held on Friday, October 23, 2009 at 1:00 pm at ETCS Administration, Alpha Level, Key Bank, 301 W. Michigan, Ypsilanti, MI 48197. RFP 6500 Due: Friday, October 30, 2009 by 3:30 pm local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at <http://bids.ewashtenaw.org> and click on "online bids".

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SCIO TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES TAX EXEMPTION

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 198 of 1974, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Scio Township Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing Tuesday, October 27th, 2009 at 7:00 pm at the Township Hall, 827 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding an application filed by Terumo Heart Inc., 6180 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor 48103, for an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate.

Project Description: The company plans to spend approximately \$3,817,048 on additional real and personal property at their existing facility and is requesting a 12 year exemption under the above Public Act.

The application is available for public inspection at the Township Hall 827 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, weekdays between 9:00am and 5:00pm. Written comments regarding this hearing should be submitted to the Township Clerk no later than 5:00pm October 27th, 2009.

Nancy Hedberg
Scio Township Clerk
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Webster Township Special Board Meeting September 28, 2009

The Webster Township Special Board Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Supervisor Kingsley on Monday September 28, 2009 at the Township Hall, 6885 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present: Supervisor Kingsley, Clerk Heller, and Treasurer Whitney. Trustees: Koch, Westman, Estleman, absent Kleinschmidt.

Supervisor Remarks

Agenda: Resolution Number 09-12 to rectify the error by rescinding Resolution 09-10 and adopting this resolution. See attached resolution.

Motion Heller second Estleman to adopt language for Proposal C. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried. Motion Koch second Heller to adopt language for Proposal D. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried. Motion Koch second Westman to adopt language for Proposal E. Roll call vote all ayes and carried.

Call to Public

Adjourn: Motion Westman second Koch to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:36. All ayes and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township
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Washtenaw County Legal Notice

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Welfare Reform JET (Jobs Education and Training). Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. A voluntary prebid conference will be held on Friday, October 23, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at ETCS Administration, Alpha Level, Key Bank, 301 W. Michigan, Ypsilanti, MI 48197. RFP 6501 Due: Friday, October 30, 2009 by 4:00 pm local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at <http://bids.ewashtenaw.org> and click on "online bids".

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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE TESTING OF VOTING EQUIPMENT

To the qualified electors of the Township of Webster, notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of MCL 168.794a(3), the Webster Township Clerk will conduct a PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST of the voting equipment to be used in the November 3, 2009 ELECTION. The test will be conducted on Monday, October 19, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the Webster Township Hall, 6885 Webster Church Rd., Dexter, MI 48130. Interested members of the public are invited to observe this Public Accuracy Test. Please contact the Clerk's office with any questions (734-428-5103).

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township
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MEETING NOTICE

Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet On Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall 6880 Dexter Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI 48130

Members of the public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. Written comments may be sent to Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, Dexter, MI 48130, and must be received by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Tuesday, November 3, 2009.

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Item 1
Appeal Number: 09-ZBA-706
Property Tax ID: 04-18-100-015
Applicant Name(s): Chris & Mary Seitz
Property Address: 7473 Noah's Landing

Per the 10/8/09 ZBA meeting, the ZBA will consider a resolution to disapprove this variance application. The purpose of this variance request was to allow an expansion of the deck on the south side of the home. This variance application request included recognition of existing nonconformities (lot area, lot width, road side setback, and side yard setback on the north side) and approval of new variances (further encroachment into the water side setback area and side yard setback area on the south side). This deck was recently constructed without a Zoning Permit or variances.

Agenda Item 2
Appeal Number: 09-ZBA-718
Property Tax ID: 04-01-385-010
Applicant Name(s): Steve & Carol Cafego
Property Address: 8787 Grove Road

Deferred from the 10/8/09 ZBA meeting. The purpose of this variance request is to allow construction of a single-family home that has nonconforming front yard setbacks (roadside), side yard setbacks (east side), and lot coverage that is different than those approved by the ZBA in 2001. This variance application request also includes recognition of existing nonconformities (lot area and lot width).

Agenda Item 3
Appeal Number: 09-ZBA-719
Property Tax ID: 04-02-403-025
Applicant Name(s): Robert & Kathleen Lane
Property Address: 9558 Winston Drive

The purpose of this variance request is to allow construction of an attached, uncovered deck on the northeast side (i.e., water side) of the existing single-family home and a 4-foot fence along the southwest and southeast sides of the property. The deck size and setback nonconformity to the ordinary high water mark exceeds what was previously approved in 2008. The fence exceeds the maximum allowable height of 3 feet and has a nonconforming setback to the ordinary high water mark. Both the deck and fence were constructed without a Zoning Permit or variances.

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SPOTLIGHT ON CHELSEA UNITED WAY AGENCIES

Grace Clinic delivers medical care for needy

The Chelsea United Way launched their 2009-10 campaign in September. Chelsea United Way is a locally run chapter with a volunteer board of directors who support local service agencies, including Faith In Action, Chelsea Grace Clinic, Chelsea Senior Center, WAVE Bus, Parents as Teachers, Chelsea Rec Council, and the St. Louis Center. Chelsea United Way encourages Chelsea area residents to "Give Where You Live." For more information, visit www.chelseaunderway.org.

By Shawn Personke
Guest Writer

Healthcare is certainly a hot topic of conversation all over the country. But to those who are uninsured or a member of the working poor, healthcare is more than a discussion. It can be a life and death matter.

Chelsea is fortunate to have a free medical clinic that is helping to meet the medical needs of those living in the Chelsea area who don't have access to healthcare. The Chelsea Grace Clinic, formerly Chelsea Hope Clinic, is a Chelsea United Way agency that has seen the demand increase dramatically over the last few months.

"The need for medical services in this area is going to continue to grow - as many people are losing their insurance," said Tracy Nelsen, Grace Clinic's clinic coordinator. She adds that the Washtenaw Health Plan (a county sponsored health coverage program for low-income residents who don't have access to affordable health insurance) is currently closed to new enrollment and is projecting that they will not be re-open for at least one year.

"This means that many of the people who would normally qualify for that program are not going to have access to medical care," Nelsen said.

Open the first Saturday of each month, Grace Clinic receives 75 percent of its funding from the Chelsea United Way, which recently launched their 2009-2010 campaign. The clinic was fully booked in September and October.

Dr. Diane Howlin, medical director of Grace Clinic, sees what the stressed healthcare system has wrought on those without insurance on a daily basis, but particularly during her clinic hours. She could recount countless cases where patients had nowhere else to turn and found help at the clinic. Howlin donates all of her time and expertise to the clinic. She said her motivation is simple.

"People really need it and I can deliver it quite inexpensively," she said. "It's the reason I went into medicine, to help people. It's pure medicine. There's no hagglng for pre-authorizations with insurance companies, complaints about co-pays, deductibles, or the high price of medicine. It's just the sheer joy of practicing medicine without the unpleasant side. Patients are very grateful, kind and appreciative. Then, when I watch them become rehabilitated and back into productive life, it's very gratifying."

Howlin recalled a patient that came to the Chelsea Grace Clinic with multiple health issues, including asthma and eczema. At 61, she hadn't been able to see a doctor in several years because she didn't have the money.

"On her first visit to the Grace Clinic, she was very depressed, her blood pressure was very high, and she was in moderate respiratory distress," Howlin said. "We were able to give her some breathing treatments and that helped her lungs considerably, which also helped lower her blood pressure."

Chelsea Community Hospital provided diagnostic tests so proper treatment could be given to this patient and she was given medication for her eczema, and prescriptions for her inhalers, as well as samples that we had at the clinic, said Howlin.

"After one month of treatment, this patient improved by 90 percent," she said. "She comes to the clinic for follow up appointments, and is so happy now and always tells us how she appreciates us, and before she came to the clinic, she had almost no hope of having any quality of life. Now she is even



Dr. Diane Howlin, medical director of Chelsea Grace Clinic, with the clinic coordinator Tracy Nelsen.

working part time."

Howlin said her professional relationships with other doctors and the hospital help extend Grace Clinic's reach dramatically.

"If I see a person with an injured foot, the X-ray department will cover the X-ray, the radiologist will read it for free, the lab will do blood work, and the orthopedist will see the person for free," she said. "Then, if surgery is needed, the hospital donates the operating room time, nurses, staffing, and the surgeon donates his/her time. Each of these is an important relationship."

She hasn't yet been told no when she's asked other healthcare professionals for help - expensive help.

But rather, she's thanked. "This week two specialists thanked me for doing this," she said. "They are all spread thin due to the bad economy and many non-paying patients. But they rally together and do what's right for the patients."

Chelsea Grace Clinic

Mission: To provide free medical care to the uninsured and underinsured of Western Washtenaw County.

Hours: The First Saturday of the month, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Faith in Action building, 775 S. Main (on the hospital campus, north entrance)

Appointments: Call Faith in Action at 734.475.3305

Current Roster of Volunteer Healthcare Professionals: Dr. Diane Howlin, Dr. James Peggs, Dr. Kathryn Dietz, Dr. Rodney Dewyer, Dr. Dave Wesorick, Dr. John Crump, Dr. Randy Forsch, Dr. Carla Page and Karen Cummings, P.A.

The clinic is in need of donations, including: Any sort of medical supply, as long as it is unused, unopened and unexpired; medical volunteers; cash donations.

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
VILLAGE OF DEXTER
RECREATION TRAILS

Regional Trail Connection Meeting - Westside Trail Connection

The Village of Dexter, Washtenaw County Parks and Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) would like to invite anyone interested in the potential trail connection from the HCMA and County Border to Border (B2B) into the Village of Dexter, referred to as the Westside Connector, to attend a public forum to discuss the trail, bridge and railroad crossing options under

consideration following a consultant feasibility study. Participants at the meeting will discuss potential trail alignments, crossing points and estimated project costs. Participants will see options and have the opportunity to ask questions, make suggestions and participate in the discussions on where a potential trail could be constructed.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at the Dexter District Library meeting room, 3255 Alpine Street, from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. For additional information please contact the Village Offices at 734-426-8303.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ESTIMATED COSTS AND EXPENSES OF FIRE PROTECTION AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

TOWNSHIP OF SCIO
WASHTENAW COUNTY,
MICHIGAN

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SCIO, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Scio Township Board will conduct a public hearing at the Township Hall, 827 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan on October 27, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., to receive comments and objections on estimated costs and expenses of fire protection services and on a proposed special assessment roll prepared by the Township Assessor pursuant to direction of the Township Board for the purpose of spreading a .9 mill special assessment levy within the Fire Protection Special Assessment District.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the estimated cost of providing fire protection within the special assessment district for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2011 is approximately \$1,034,112.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the estimated total amount to be assessed in the Fire Protection Special Assessment District to pay the cost of fire protection services for the fiscal year ending 2011 is \$991,563 which will be collected in a .9 mill special assessment levy upon taxable property in the special assessment district as previously approved by the electorate of the Township. The amount of the special assessment to individual properties is based upon the special benefit to the properties from the nature and level of fire protection service to be provided by the Township.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that copies of a proposed budget for fire protection services for fiscal year ending 2011 and the proposed special assessment roll may be inspected at the office of the Township Clerk, 827 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, on regular business days and may also be inspected at the public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that at the public hearing, the Township Board will review the proposed budget for fire protection services and the

proposed special assessment roll, and will receive any comments or objections thereto which might be made or filed with said Board at or prior to the time of said public hearing, and the Board will consider any revisions, amendments, or changes to said proposed special assessment roll and the amount of special assessments to be levied against benefited property.

Appearance and protest at this public hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest or his or her agent may appear in person at this hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter received at or before the public hearing, and if such a letter is filed, then the personal appearance of the person protesting is not required.

The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at this hearing as set forth above may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the State Tax Tribunal within 30 days after confirmation of the special assessment roll.

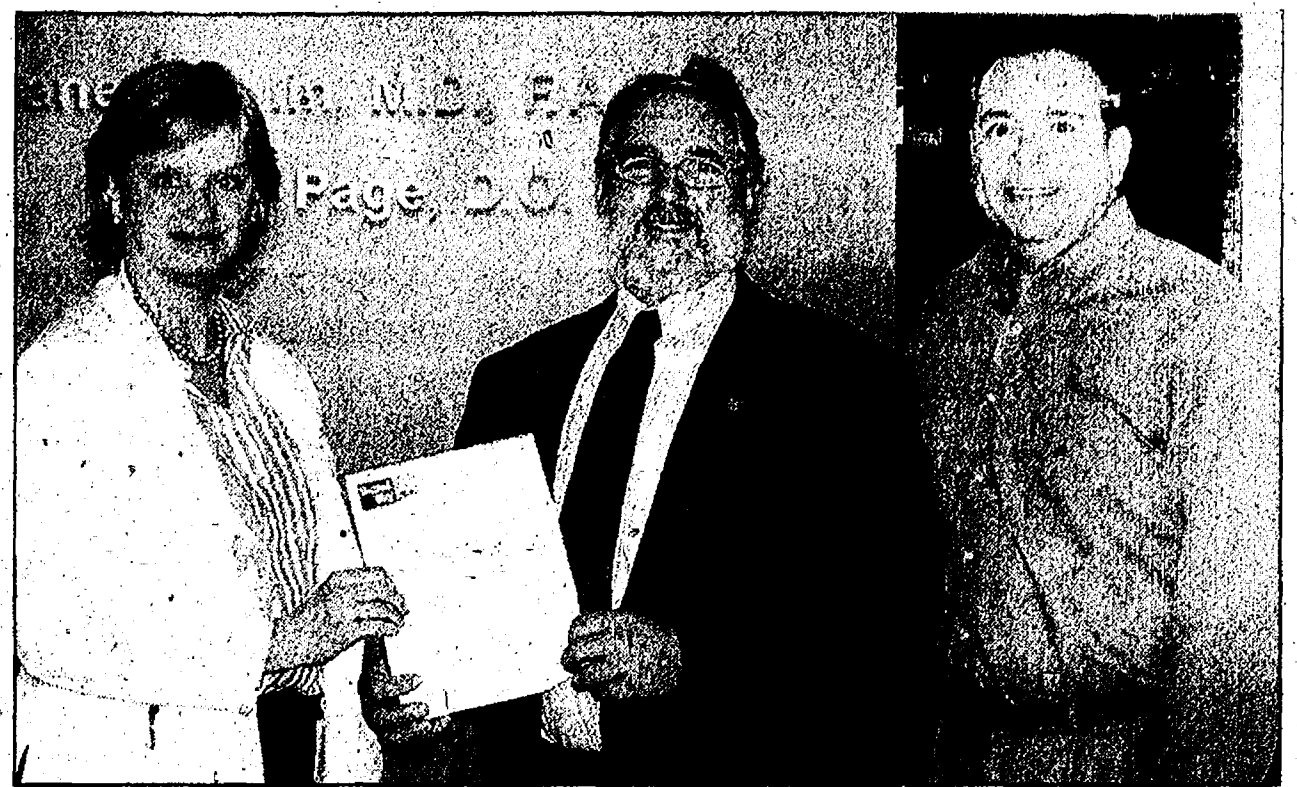
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if the proposed special assessment roll is confirmed, or is modified and confirmed, the special assessment will be collected in the same manner as provided by law for property taxes.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place to submit comments concerning any of the foregoing, or to protest the proposed special assessment roll and/or special assessment.

Scio Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the hearing to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon four (4) days' notice to the Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk at the address or telephone number listed below.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Scio Township Clerk
827 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103
(734) 665-2123

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Dr. Diane Howlin, medical director of Chelsea Grace Clinic, accepts a check from Doug Worthington and Rick Eder, vice president and president of the Chelsea United Way. Grace Clinic is one of Chelsea United Way's agencies.

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners is looking for citizens to volunteer for a slate of positions with the various Boards, Committees and Commissions. The Board of Commissioners will make these appointments at their upcoming session on November 18, 2009 at 8:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Individuals interested in applying should submit a letter of interest and resume, including a home address, to Jason Brooks, County Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 8845, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107. Letters and resumes may also be submitted via email to brooks@washtenaw.org, via fax (734) 222-6628, or apply online at www.washtenaw.org.

Those resumes received by October 23, 2009 will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for its consideration on November 18, 2009. The appointments will become effective January 1, 2010. These appointments include:

• **800 MHz Project Oversight Committee** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill three positions total, one to represent Fire Chief, one to represent Police Chief, and one to represent Huron Valley Ambulance. The three-year term expires December 31, 2012. The 800 MHz Oversight Committee exists as a governance structure to oversee the expenditure of the 800 MHz mitigation funds to insure the upgraded communication capacity envisioned by the millage is completed in an economical and timely fashion.

• **Accommodations Ordinance Commission** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill two positions to represent the general public for one-year terms expiring December 31, 2010. The Accommodations Ordinance Commission was established in 1975 with the purpose of enhancing the economy of Washtenaw County, through promotion of the area as a destination for overnight visitors.

• **Agricultural Lands Preservation Advisory Committee** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill two positions, one representing the real estate development interest, and one representing Agricultural Production/Operator Agricultural Business for terms expiring December 31, 2012. The purpose of the Agricultural Lands Preservation Advisory Committee is to assist the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners in determining whether it should purchase the development rights on a particular parcel as well as how much the County should pay for those rights according to the Washtenaw County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance.

• **Area Agency on Aging Executive Board** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill one position representing County Older Person, with a two-year term expiring December 31, 2011. The Area Agency on Aging Executive Board assesses the needs of older county residents and develops plans to provide assistance that addresses those identified needs.

• **Brownfield Redevelopment Authority** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill four positions total, as follows: one representing a municipality located within Washtenaw County that is a member of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, one representing a county wide development organization, one representing a non-profit environmental group, and one representing the general public, each with a three-year term expiring December 31, 2012. The Brownfield Redevelopment Authority was established in 1993 in conformity with Act 381 of 1996, as amended. The purpose of this Authority is to facilitate the redevelopment of previously developed sites, consistent with the community's commitment to sustainability and its vision for the future.

• **Building Authority** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill one position representing legal with a six-year term expiring December 31, 2015. The Building Authority is incorporated for the purpose of acquiring, furnishing, equipping, owning, improving, enlarging, operating, and maintaining a building or buildings, automobile parking lots or structures, recreational facilities, and the necessary site or sites therefore for the use of the County of Washtenaw.

• **Building Code/Construction Board of Appeals** - The Board is looking to fill one position representing architect for a term expiring December 31, 2010. The Building Code/Construction Appeals Board was established in 1974. A member of the Board of Appeals should be qualified by experience or training to perform the duties of members of the Board of Appeals.

• **Citizen's Advisory Council to the Juvenile Drug Court** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill one position representing the public for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2012. The Citizens Advisory Council to the Juvenile Drug Court was established for the purpose of gaining community input regarding the operations of the Juvenile Drug Court. The Citizens Advisory Council to the Juvenile Drug Court shall consist of six persons. Three members shall be appointed by the Trial Court and three members appointed by the Board of Commissioners. The members shall reflect as closely as possible the geographic, racial, age, gender, and ethnic population of Washtenaw County. Individuals interested in applying should demonstrate a caring interest in youth rehabilitation and the skills necessary to carry out the purpose of the Council.

• **Community Action Board** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill seven (7) positions. One (1) position representing the private sector, with the term expiring December 31, 2012; two (2) positions representing the public sector with both terms expiring December 31, 2010; and four (4) positions representing the consumer sector, with two (2) terms expiring December 31, 2010, and two terms expiring December 31, 2012. All consumer sector members of the Community Action Board must be chosen in accordance with democratic selection procedures adequate to assure that they are representative of low-income individuals and families in the neighborhood served. These members must also reside in the specific neighborhood they are appointed to represent. All members chosen for appointment to the Community Action Board will be made public prior to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners session at which they are to be appointed. The names of these individuals will be published as a part of the November 2, 2009 Board of Commissioners meeting packet. The Community Action Board was established in 1990 for the purpose of working toward eliminating poverty in Washtenaw County. The Board consists of 15 members who represent three sectors: Consumer (5 positions), Private Sector (5 positions), and Public Sector (5 positions).

• **Criminal Justice Community Collaborative** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill one position representing the general public at large for the remainder of a two-year term expiring December 31, 2010. The Criminal Justice Collaborative Council is a 19 member council established by the Board of Commissioners for the purpose of developing policies and improving processes that impact multiple agencies within the criminal justice system.

• **Economic Development Corporation** - The Board of

Commissioners is looking to fill one position representing the general public with a six-year term expiring December 31, 2015. The Economic Development Corporation was established for the purpose to alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment, to assist and retain local industries and commercial enterprises, and to strengthen and revitalize the economy of the County. In addition, to provide the means and methods for the encouragement and assistance of industrial and commercial enterprise in locating, purchasing, constructing, and expanding in the County. The Economic Development Corporation encourages the location and expansion of commercial enterprise to provide needed services and facilities to the County and the residents.

• **Emergency Medical Services Commission** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill nineteen positions representing the Criminal Justice Association, Mutual Aid Association, consumer, health department, Washtenaw/Livingston Medical Control Board, City of Ann Arbor disaster preparedness, University of Michigan Hospital, Michigan Township Association, American Red Cross, HVA, and St. Joseph Hospital for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2012. The Emergency Medical Services Commission was established in 1978 with the purpose to plan, monitor and evaluate the Washtenaw County Emergency Medical Services system in concert with the Washtenaw-Livingston Medical Control Authority Board. In addition, to plan, monitor, and evaluate the pre-hospital aspects of the County Emergency Action Guidelines Operations Plan.

• **Environmental Health Code Appeals Board/Public Health Advisory Committee** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill one position to represent the general public with a five-year term expiring December 31, 2014. The Environmental Health Code Board of Appeals/Public Health Advisory Committee was established in 1986 to review and advise on matters pertaining to Public Health. In addition, the Board shall have such authority to hear appeals of environmental actions by the Division and to grant variances from local environmental ordinances and state regulations as was previously vested in the Board of Health. The Environmental Health Code Board of Appeals/Public Health Advisory Committee consists of five members.

• **Law Enforcement Citizens Review Board** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill three positions representing the general public for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2012. The Law Enforcement Citizens' Review Board provides a forum to hear citizens' concerns about the actions and/or inactions of police departments and particularly the County Sheriff Department.

• **Local Emergency Planning Committee** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill 13 positions representing the following: Agriculture (1), Agriculture (Farm Bureau) (1), Broadcast Media (1), Community Groups (1), Education (1), Elected Local (2), Law Enforcement (2), Local Environment (1), Owner/Operator of Title III Facility (1), Print Media (1), and transportation (1) for three year terms expiring on December 31, 2012. The Local Emergency Planning Committee was established in 1986, to serve as an emergency planning district under Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986. The purpose of this committee is to report on hazardous and toxic chemicals in the community as it pertains to the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986.

• **Natural Areas Technical Advisory Committee** - The Board of Commissioners is seeking qualified applicants to fill three positions as follows: one (1) representing professional real estate or development practice, one (1) representing land trust/conservation, and one (1) representing environmental education for two year terms expiring December 31, 2011. The Natural Areas Technical Advisory Committee was established as an advisory body to assist the Parks and Recreation Commission in prioritizing natural areas nominated by property owners for the Washtenaw County Natural Areas Preservation Program. Applicants must be residents of Washtenaw County.

• **Parks and Recreation Commission** - The Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants to fill three positions representing the general public for two-year terms expiring December 31, 2011. The Parks and Recreation Commission was established in 1965 in conformity with Michigan Public Act 261 of 1965. The purpose of the Commissioner is to acquire, develop, operate and maintain land and recreational facilities, activities and programs not generally available or adequately provided. The Commission also plays a key role in countywide land preservation and stewardship efforts; the protection of sensitive ecosystems; environmental education; and the development of a non-motorized trail network linking communities, parks, and activity centers.

• **Public Works Board** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill three positions representing the general public with one term expiring on December 31, 2010 and the other two terms expiring December 31, 2012. The Public Works Board was established in accordance with MCLA 123.732 to assist communities in the construction of infrastructure improvements and provide planning and coordination of solid waste, water, wastewater, lake improvements and recycling issues with Washtenaw County.

• **Workforce Development Board** - The Board of Commissioners is looking to fill twelve (12) positions. One (1) position representing community based organizations (CBO), with the term expiring December 31, 2012; one (1) position representing other, with the term expiring December 31, 2012; one (1) position representing economic development, with the term expiring December 31, 2010; three (3) positions representing the education sector, with all the terms expiring December 31, 2012; and, six (6) positions representing the private sector, with two (2) terms expiring December 31, 2011, and four (4) terms expiring December 31, 2012. Individuals interested in appointment to a private sector position MUST SUBMIT RESUMES THROUGH THEIR LOCAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MUST BE SELECTED FROM THE TOP TEN EMPLOYERS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY OR REASONABLY REPRESENT THE INDUSTRIAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC COMPOSITION OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WITHIN WASHTENAW COUNTY. Nominations received for appointment to the private sector must also total 150% of the positions vacant in order for valid appointments to be made to the private sector. The Workforce Development Board was established in 1995 to provide oversight and management of employment training initiatives and programs within the community.

For additional information, please contact Jason Brooks, Washtenaw County Clerk's Office. Phone: (734) 222-6658, email: brooks@washtenaw.org.

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10 Vortex
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14 "Simpsons" storekeeper
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17 Periodical
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19 Requisite
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 - 2030 Arts/Crafts/Bazaar
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 - 2050 Bargains
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 - 2100 Computers
 - 2110 Electronics
 - 2115 Farm Equipment
 - 2120 Farm Produce/Flowers/Plants
 - 2130 Lawn/Garden
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 - 2220 Pools/Spas/Hot Tubs
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 - 2240 Sporting Goods

3000 ANIMALS

- 3010 Homes/Livestock
 - 3020 Pets
 - 3030 Pet Services/Supplies
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- 4010 Accounting/Finance
 - 4020 Automotive Employment
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 - 4033 Computers/IT
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 - 4040 Domestic
 - 4050 Drivers
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 - 4070 Employment Services
 - 4075 Engineering/Design
 - 4080 General Employment
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 - 4100 Nursing
 - 4110 Office/Clerical
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- ### 5000 REAL ESTATE FOR RENT
- 5010 Apartments/Flats
 - 5020 Commercial/Industrial for Rent
 - 5030 Condos/Townhouses/Duplexes
 - 5040 Houses for Rent
 - 5045 Land for Lease
 - 5050 Living Quarters to Share/Rooms
 - 5060 Manufactured/Mobile Homes
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- 5510 Open Houses
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 - 6070 Motorcycles/ATV
 - 6080 Parts & Accessories

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 - 6110 Snowmobiles
 - 6120 Sport Utility
 - 6130 Trucks
 - 6140 Vans/Mini
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- 7010 Accounting/Taxes
 - 7020 Alterations
 - 7030 Animal/Pest Control
 - 7040 Appliance Repair
 - 7050 Asphalt/Seal Coating
 - 7060 Attorneys/Legal
 - 7070 Banquet Halls/Catering
 - 7075 Basement Waterproofing
 - 7080 Brick/Block
 - 7090 Building/Construction
 - 7095 Cement Work
 - 7100 Ceramic Tile Installation
 - 7110 Child Care
 - 7120 Chimney
 - 7130 Cleaning/Janitorial Services
 - 7140 Clock Repair
 - 7150 Computer/Internet Services
 - 7160 Convalescent/Adult Care
 - 7170 Decks/Patio/Sunrooms
 - 7175 Drywall/Plastering
 - 7180 Education/Training
 - 7190 Electrical
 - 7200 Electronics Repair
 - 7210 Entertainment
 - 7220 Fences
 - 7230 Flooring
 - 7240 Florists
 - 7250 Furniture Repair/Restoration
 - 7260 Hair/Beauty Services
 - 7270 Handyman

- 7280 Heating & Cooling
- 7285 Home Improvement
- 7290 Insurance
- 7300 Lawn Care/Landscaping
- 7310 Limousine
- 7320 Manufactured/Mobile Home Services
- 7330 Miscellaneous Services
- 7340 Moving & Storage
- 7350 Painting & Decorating
- 7360 Photography/Video Services
- 7365 Plumbing
- 7370 Pool/Spa-Installation/Repair
- 7375 Power Washing
- 7380 Roofing
- 7390 Security
- 7400 Septic Systems
- 7405 Service Directory
- 7408 Siding/Gutters
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- 7420 Snow Removal
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- 7440 Towing
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- 7460 Trucking & Hauling
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- 7480 Health/Nutrition
- 7490 Welding
- 7500 Windows & Doors

Antiques 2000

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Refrigerator, Stove, washer, dryer \$100 up. Warranty delivery 734-795-3121

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GROSSE ILE: ANOTHER GOOD ESTATE SALE Fri. & Sat. Oct. 16 & 17 from 10-4pm. 21576 E. River Rd., from the free bridge turn left on Meridian, right on Church, right on E. River. World traveler, former commodore of the Grosse Ile yacht club, collection home, antiques, oriental rugs, Drexel 1950's walnut dining room set, lacquered screens, rattan & leather furniture, Royal Doulton figures, Wedgwood, Hummels, ivory, glass crystal Danbury mint cars, Minton china, nautical accessories, graphics, oil paintings, antique 9th. pool table, huge amount of power tools, plus much more. See you there! Edmund Frank & Associates Liquidators & Appraisers: 313-854-6000. Details & Photos on estatesales.net

Cemetery Lots 2000

2 Cemetery lots in the Select Catholic section of Michigan Memorial, \$2,000 for both. 734-934-2907

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MOVING: furniture, futon, BBO, dishes, moving out sale, etc. Call for info. Cindy 734-516-6376

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Garage/Rummage Sales 2100

ALLEN PARK 15251 University, 48101. Oct. 16-17, 9:30-4. Multi-family, sale! Redline, Hot Wheel

ALLEN PARK (48101) 9735 Buckingham Oct. 14-17, 9-5. Estate Sale! Lots of misc. items!

CHELSEA - 4190 Cedar Lake Rd. Oct. 15-17, 9am. Estate Sale! Furn., antiques, home accessories, tools, china, glassware, & art.

CHELSEA Multi-Family Oct. 16th, 9-4 & 17th, 9-2. NES 564 McKinley St. Adult & baby clothing, books, small appl. bed bath kitchen, coats, x-mas, formal dresses

DEARBORN - 1130 Falcon, Oct. 15-17, 9-4. Large selection of kids chapter books, teen clothes, electronics, & misc. household items.

DEARBORN: 1670 Mason at Monroe. Good Shepherd Unit. 16th. Church, Oct. 16th, 9-4 & 17th, 9-1.

DEARBORN: 3155 Walnut, Fri. & Sat. 10/16-17 9-4. Furniture, clothes, misc., other good stuff!

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DEARBORN - 3838 Academy St., 48124. Oct. 17-18, 10-4. Something for everyone!

DEARBORN: 640 N. Mildred St. (Cherry Hill/Telegraph), Oct. 10-11, 9-5. Appl., tools, & furniture.

DEARBORN - 720 Meridian. Sat. Oct. 17th only! 9-4. Clothing, furniture, household items & more!

DEARBORN HTS.: 6121 Charlesworth, October 14-16 from 9am-5pm. MOVING SALE.

DEARBORN HTS. Estate Sale! 1930's dining table. Antique commercial meat grinder. (3) Lane tables, (1) floral sofa, clothing, retro dresses, size 16, kit. items glassware, 10/16 & 10/17, 10am-6pm. 21240 Whitlock, between Ann Arbor Trail & Warren Rd.

DEARBORN HTS. St. Sebastian Church Garage Sale Saturday, Oct. 17, 9-4pm. 3897 Merriock (off Outer Drive) Many Goody's!

DEARBORN - Huge Estate Sale: Tools, Antiques, Furn., Everything must go! Great deals, all reasonable offers accepted. Fri. - Sat. Oct. 9-10, 8-4pm. 1739 Maybourn (S. of Ford Rd./W. of Telegraph)

Garage/Rummage Sales 2100

FIRST UNITED Methodist Church of Birmingham Rummage Sale Wed. Oct. 21, 6-9 p.m. price plus 30%. Best of show, snack bar. Thurs. Oct. 22, 10-3 p.m. regular price & snack bar. Fri. Oct. 23 9-11 a.m. \$7.00 per 13 gal. bag or half price. 1589 W. Maple Rd. between Southfield & Cranbrook. 248-646-1200

GROSSE ILE: 22321 West River Dr., Oct. 16-17, 10-5. Moving/Estate Sale. Everything-Goes!!!

GROSSE ILE: 8488 Annette Oct. 16th, 9-5 & 17th, 9-1. Upright freezer, & misc. items. 1/2 off on Saturday!

GROSSE ILE: Estate Sale. 9778 Blauvelt, Oct. 16-17, 8-5pm. 1/2 off everything that is left!

GROSSE ILE - Huge Sale! Household, adult & baby clothing, toys, misc. Lots of new items. Sun. or Rain! Oct. 16. Fri. Only! 9-3, 8041 St. James

HURON TWP.: 27687 Bredow Ave., huge garage sale, Sat. & Sun. Oct. 10-11; 9-5. Too much to list! Must See!

LINCOLN PARK: 943 Winchester, Thur-Fri only. 9:30-3:30, scrap-booking cards, Christmas, homegoods, & clothes...COME SEE!

LINCOLN PK. 2155 LeBlanc, Fri. & Sat. from 9am-4pm. Big Garage Sale! Furn. books, nix-naks etc.

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MANCHESTER: 7730 M-52, October 22-25, 10-5. Something for everyone.

MELVINDALE: 3598 Caryn, Oct. 15-17, 10-5pm. 3 Family Garage Sale. Something for Everyone!

MILAN - 285 W. 2nd, Wed-Sat, Oct. 21-24, 9-5pm. 4 Family Sale. Lots of stuff inside & warm shop.

NEW BOSTON: 10/17 only 9-3. Misc. tools, garden & newer gas lawn edger, misc. household items, backpacks, L mens sweaters, HD ext. cords, more. N. of Willow Rd. 37888 Territorial. Crossings park behind home

NEW BOSTON 20555 Middlebelt Rd. (between King & Sibley) Oct. 17-18 & Oct. 24-25, 10-8 both weekends. Industrial sewing machine, golf cart & misc. garage equipment. Your pick pumpkins!

ROCKWOOD: Garage Sale/Autism Benefit, 8a-5p, Oct. 16-17th, 32771 Burton

SOUTHGATE - 18064 Holz Dr. #38, 48195. Oct. 16-18, 10-4. Moving Sale! Furniture & misc.!

SOUTHGATE BIG Garage Sale, lots of furn., bunkbeds, china cabinet, lots of books, 9-4, Friday Only (Oct. 16th)! 13768 Catalpa.

SOUTHGATE: Rummage & Bake Sale, Grace Episcopal Church, 15450 Rock Rd., between Eureka & Dix, Fri. Oct. 16, 9am-3pm, Sat. Oct. 17, 9-11am, Sun. 11-1a bag day. 734-285-0380

TAYLOR: 20900 Millard, Oct. 14-18; 9-5pm. Lots of clothing, boys/girls & 3 ill tyke playgrounds.

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TAYLOR - 7720 Huron Oct. 9-11, 9:30-5. Ladies dresses, blouses, tops, blue jeans, earrings, rings, bracelets, necklaces, men's shirts, blue jeans, & Bunter pool table.

TAYLOR: Garage sale 3 family, nursing uniforms, household goods, craft items, women's clothes & etc. 24352 Champaign, 10/17-18 & 10/24-25, 10-6

TAYLOR St. John Lutheran Church: 13115 S. Telegraph Corner of Northline. Thurs. & Fri. Oct. 15 & 16th, 9-5.

TRENTON: Condo wide garage sale 4517 Leisure Lane off Van Horn betw. Allen or Fort St., Sat. & Sun. 9-5.

TRENTON: Moving Sale 3533 Sycamore St. Oct. 17-18, 9-7. Furniture, clothing & appliances.

TRENTON: Outdoor stuff, boat motor, ice shanty, misc., kids clothes, appliances, Fri-Sat. 8-5, 2651 5th St. off of Elm

WESTLAND: Estate Sale. 1950 Walton, Oct. 16-17, 10-5pm. 60 years of household treasures. Reasonable! Don't miss this one!

WOODHAVEN - 22222 Village Dr. Oct. 17-18, 9-5. Name brand clothes, household items. Must see!

WOODHAVEN Rummage Sale. 25444 Fairgrove, Sat. Oct. 17, 9-4. Large sale, baby items & something for everyone.

WYANDOTTE - 1217 Superior Blvd. Oct. 16-17, 10-5. Household & holiday items + much much more!

WYANDOTTE - 2084 15th St., Oct. 16-18, 9-4pm. Christmas stuff, kitchen, furn. & misc.

WYANDOTTE - 434 Forest, Oct. 17-18, Stove, freezer, X-mas, toys, dishes/glassware, pictures, tools, China. Nice quality items.

WYANDOTTE: Moving sale, 283 Riverbank, between Goddard & Emmon's. Oct. 16-17, 9-5pm. Furniture, Christmas, computer desk & lots misc.

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Miscellaneous for Rent 2100

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Dated: October 1, 2009 GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA Mortgagee
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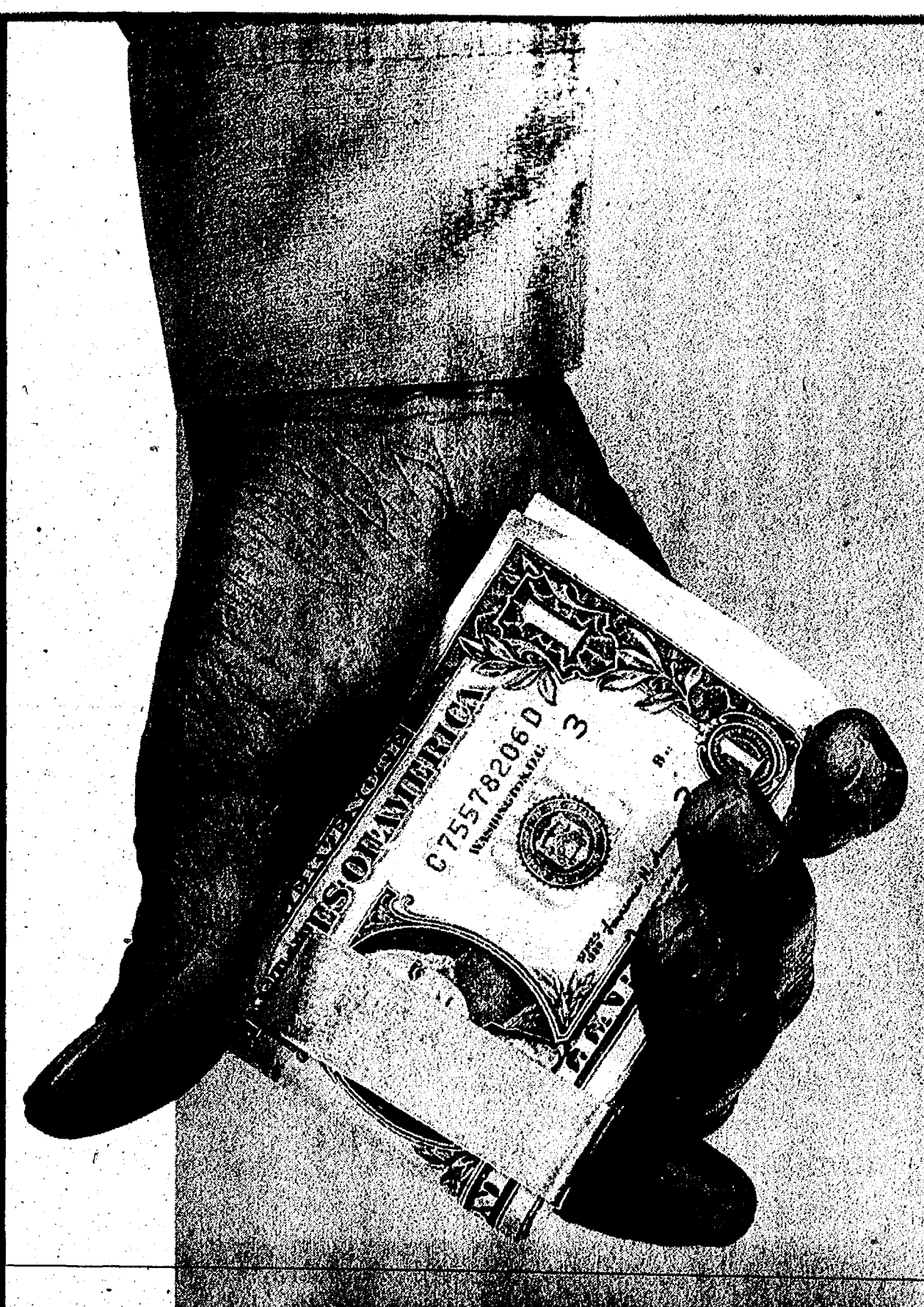
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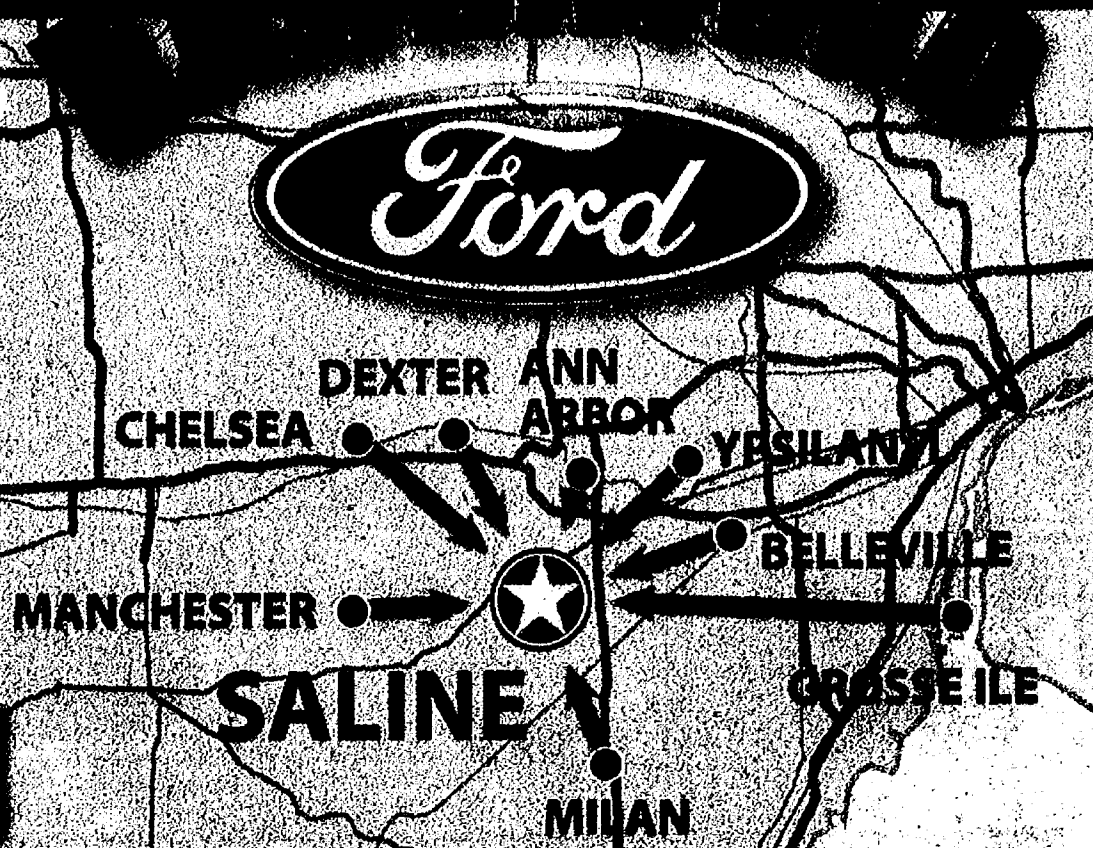
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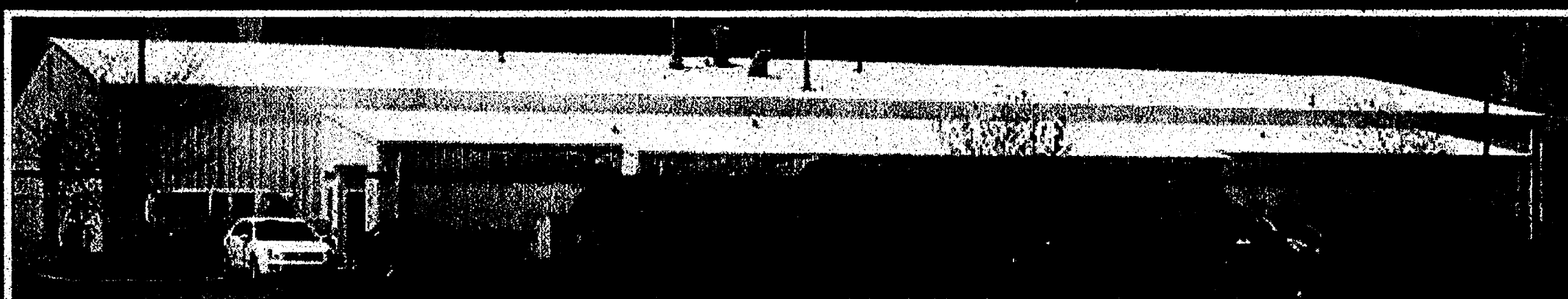
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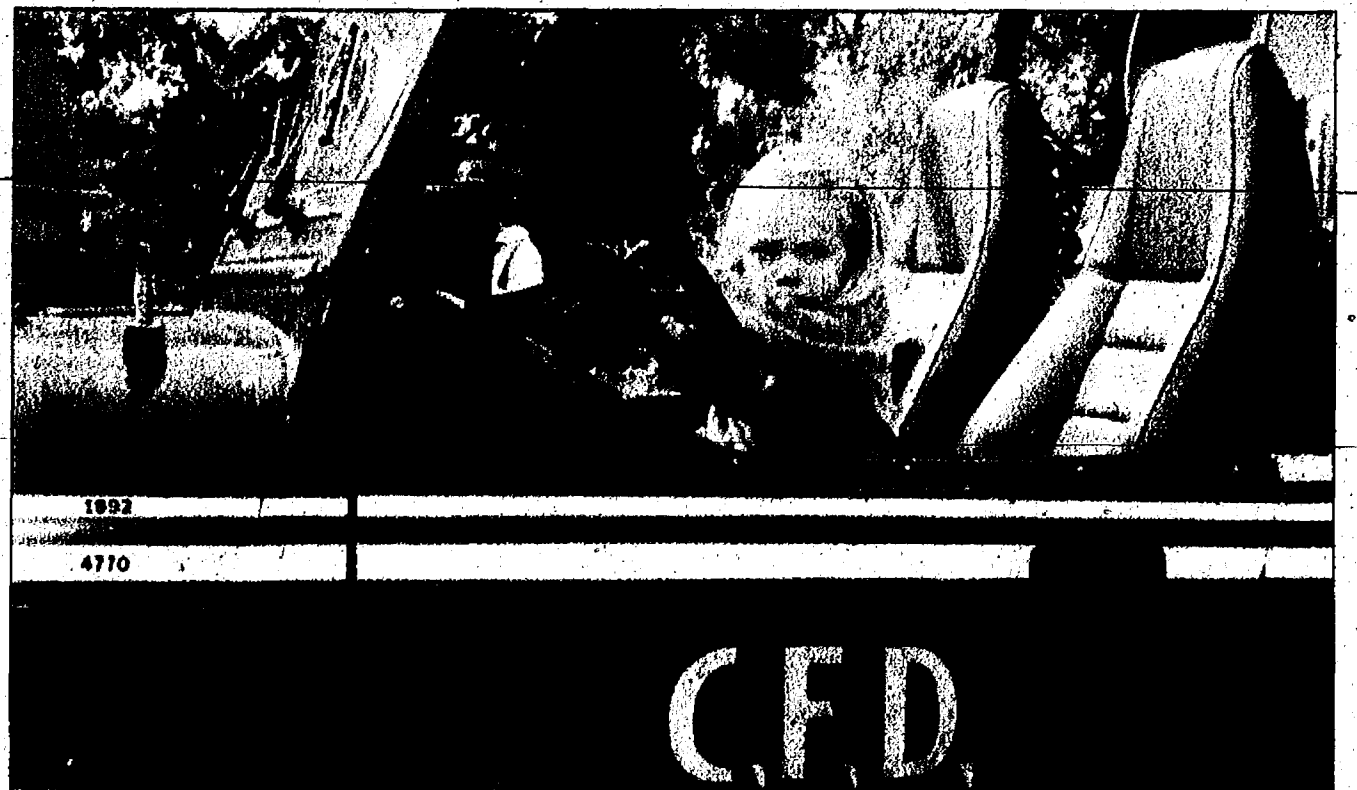


Edwin and Annabelle Greenleaf, both 2, of Chelsea, attended the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Open House.



Julia Diab, 3, of Chelsea, shoots water out of a fire hose during the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Open House.

Chelsea Area Fire Authority Open House attracts big crowd



Kloi Milliken, 2, of Chelsea enjoys sitting in the brush truck.



Capt. Augustine Syrov demonstrates a rope rescue during the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Open House on Sunday.



Samuel and Cassandra (Cleigh) Kennedy of Chelsea sit in one of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority fire trucks.



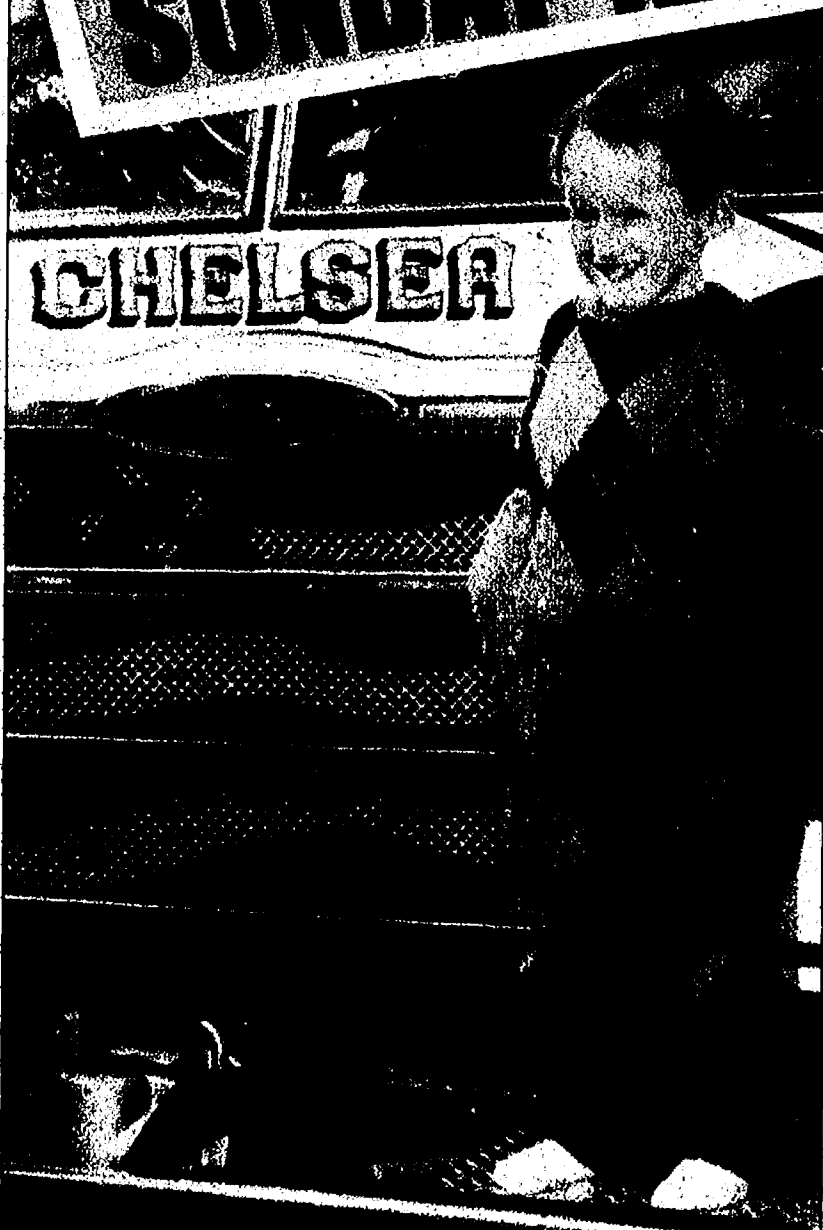
One of the junior firefighter hats, coloring book and crayons that were given to children who attended the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Open House.

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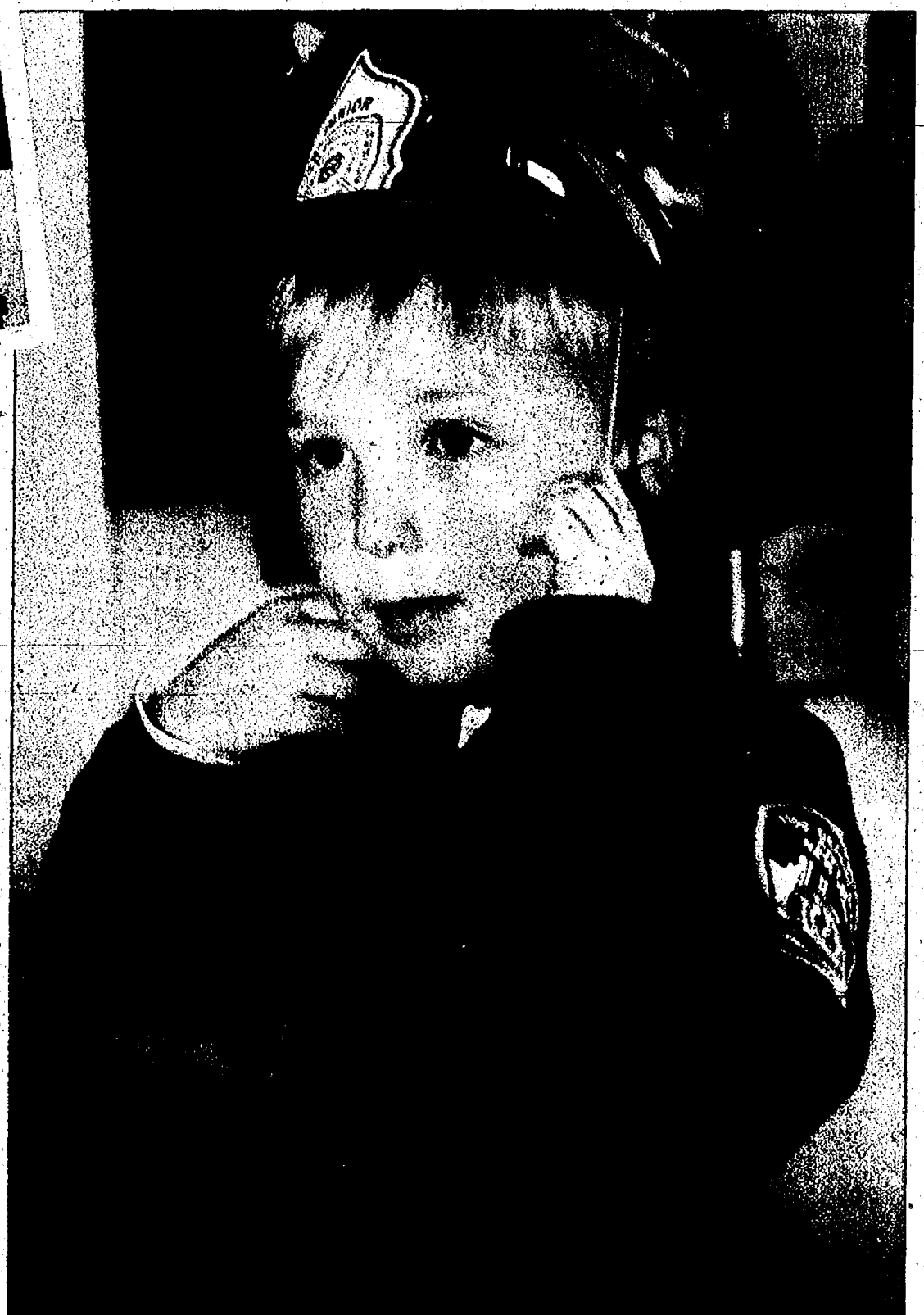
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Olivia Smyth, 10, and Kyll Milliken, 2, of Chelsea sit in the front of the brush truck.



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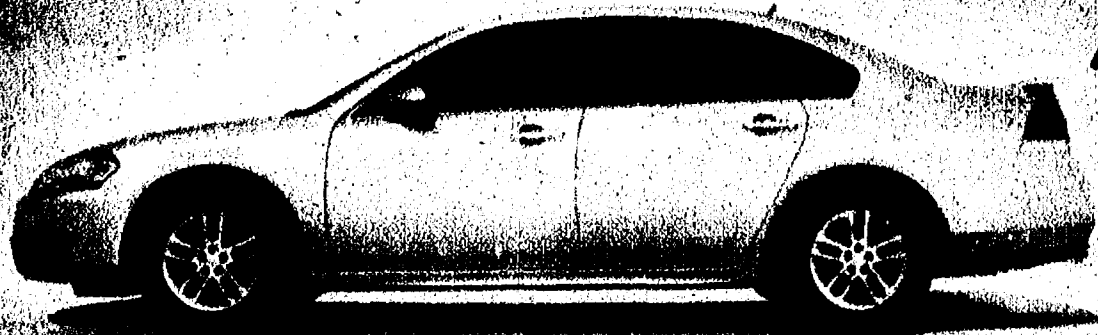
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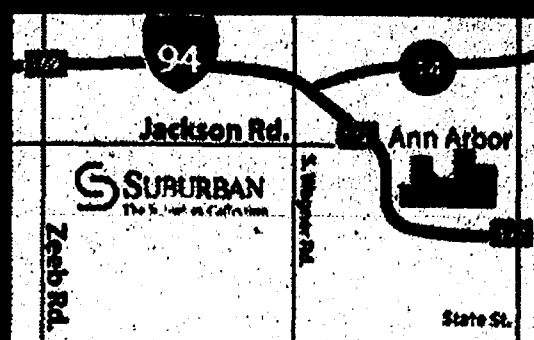
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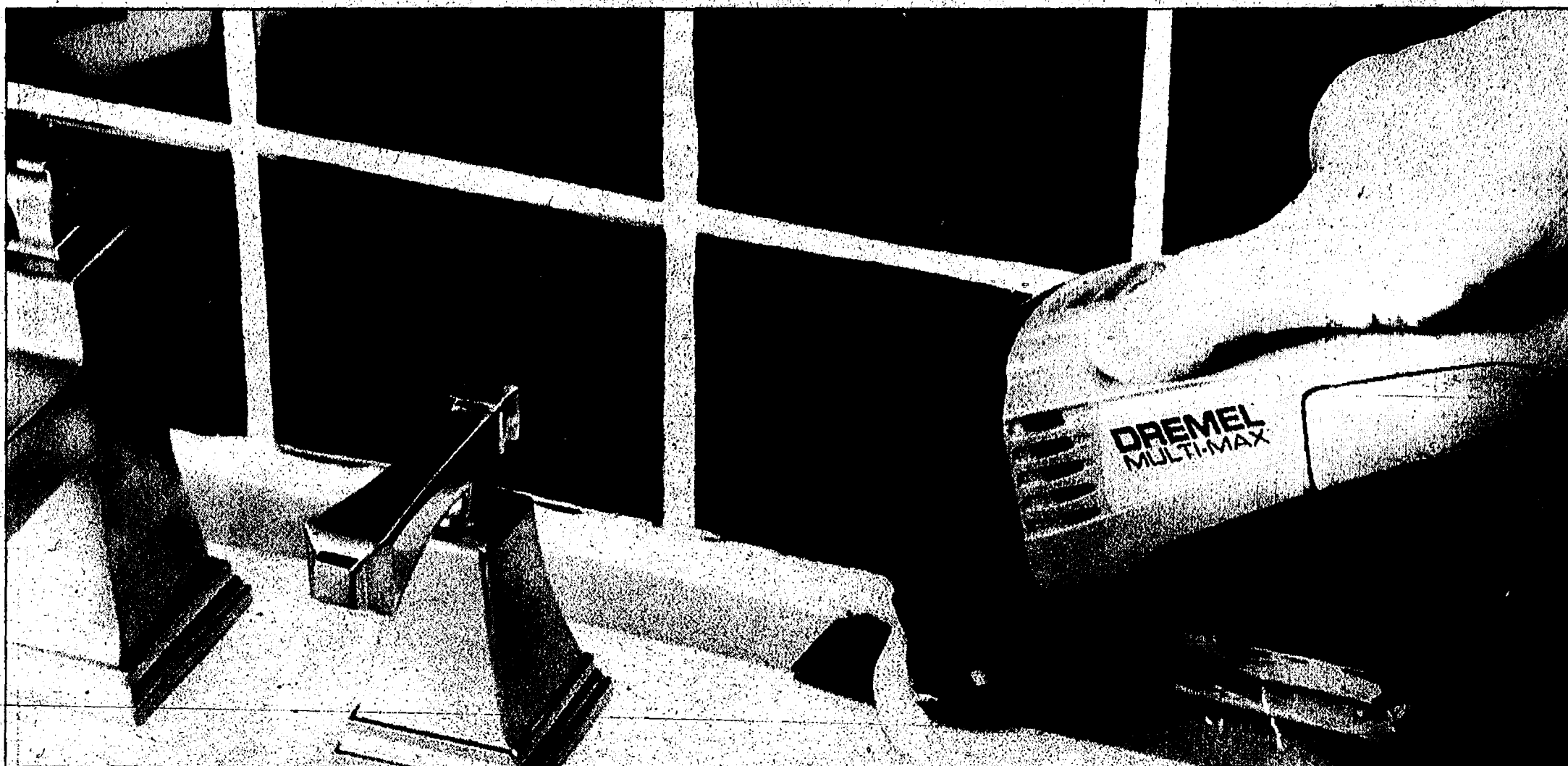
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Kitchen and bath updates on a budget

In addition to decking the halls of your home this holiday season, you can create a warm and inviting atmosphere for guests by updating high-traffic areas like kitchens and bathrooms with simple and inexpensive home-improvement projects. With a few easy steps and just one basic tool, these projects can be done on a budget and make a big impact:

Repair broken floor tiles/install new tiles

To spruce up the bathroom or kitchen, repair broken tiles and install new ones. Try using the Dremel Multi-Max Oscillating Tool for best results. Insert a grout blade into the oscillating tool and orient the blade on the tool so you can best access all four sides of the broken tile. For hard set grout, use the maximum speed; softer and less-set grout can be worked at a medium speed. Keep the blade at a right angle to the floor, being careful not to nick the remaining good tile. Remove all the old

tile and dust.

Continue working away remaining grout. Remove the remaining thin set material with a diamond coated accessory. Attach the sanding pad and diamond paper. With the sander flat to the floor, work away any old material, dusting several times throughout. Removing the excess material will allow the new tile to sit flush with the other tiles already in place. Once the surface is clean to the subfloor, remove any dust with a wet sponge. Finally, affix and grout new tile into place.

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Refinish kitchen or bathroom cabinets

Refinishing cabinets in a kitchen or bathroom is an inexpensive way to update the look of the whole room. Detach all of the drawers and doors and store them in a clean, dry place.

Inspect the cabinets for any damage, and repair with wood putty or by sanding. Then, wash cabinets to remove any



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While sanding on medium speed, keep the sanding pad flat to the wood. Always move the pad in the direction of the grain. Finally, paint or stain the cabinets.

Then, thoroughly clean the areas where the existing grout was removed before adding the new grout between tiles. Remember to follow the grout manufacturer's directions for a clean and thorough job.

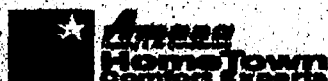
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Asphalt shingles add value, beauty and durability to roofs

With national home prices still 30 percent below 2006 levels, homeowners are looking for affordable ways to boost the value of their homes without breaking the bank.

Repairing or replacing the roof is one of the most noticeable improvement projects homeowners can take on. And although the effect of a new roof is stunning, the price tag doesn't have to be.

Going back to the basics when it comes to getting a new roof can employ the "genius of 'and,'" according to TAMKO Building Products President and Chief Executive Officer David Humphreys.

"It's a way of describing how you can successfully achieve two or more goals that might not seem compatible," Humphreys says. "For example: you can add value to your home and save money doing it."

This is possible in roofing through the reliability, durability and affordability of the traditional asphalt shingle.

Reliability

And when it comes to roofing, the standard asphalt shingle could be the fastest path to a new roof, while still maintaining reliability, durability and affordability.

Asphalt shingles have more than 150 years of proven severe weather durability as a roof covering. But as a waterproofing agent, asphalt's history goes back much farther.

Kent Blanchard, vice president of roofing manufacturing for TAMKO Building Products, says asphalt and tar have been used as a waterproofing agent for thousands of years, including by the ancient Egyptians.

Durability

Asphalt shingles are made from sheets of fibers, coated in asphalt (a petroleum by-product) and a variety of granules. The result is shingles that are lightweight, easy to install and low maintenance.

Two of the most common types of asphalt shingles are three-tab and laminated.

Three-tab asphalt roofing shingles are made from individual layers of fiberglass mat, a base material made from glass fibers to add strength. The mat is dipped in asphalt and coated with fire-resistant granules.

Classic three-tab asphalt roofing shingles generally include a 15- to 30-year warranty and are one of the more cost-efficient roofing product options.

Laminated asphalt shingles are a newer option and increasing in popularity. These shingles have added dimension because of extra layers of fiberglass mat, which create a wood shake-like appearance.

Some laminated shingles have a 30-year limited warranty, like TAMKO's Heritage 30 line. The shingles are also wind and fire resistant.



Affordability

Despite the expansion of roofing products over the last 100 years, the most popular and affordable option continues to be the asphalt shingle.

Asphalt shingles continue to dominate about 80 percent of the U.S. market. It's estimated that more than 100 million roofing squares are laid on U.S. roofs each year.

And a new asphalt roof is in everyone's price range. With a variety of types of asphalt shingles, three-tab or laminated, asphalt roofs are available for as little as one-third of the cost of more expensive tile and wood roofs.

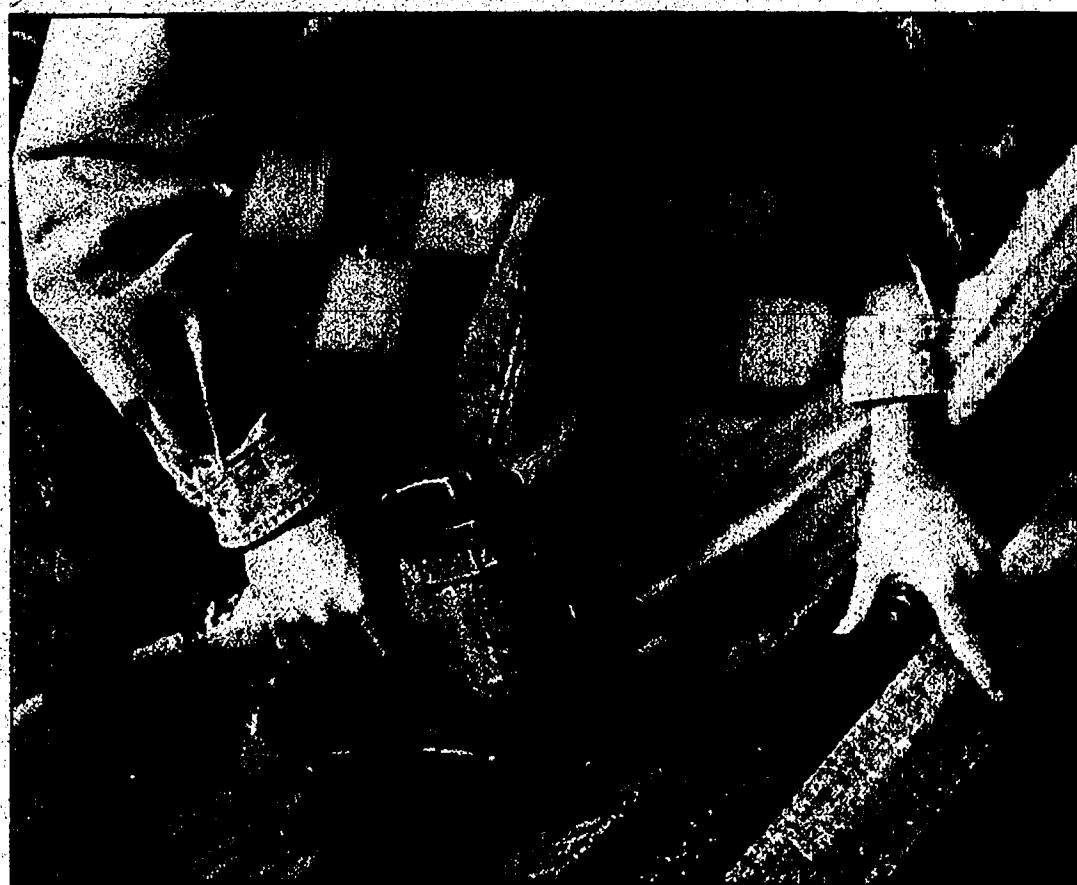
Asphalt shingles afford the consumer the luxury of a large home improvement without the luxury price tag.

A new roof can add immediate value to the home if the owners are looking to sell, but can also help prevent costly leaks while they still live there.

The health of a roof can affect the energy efficiency and utility bills of a house. In today's world of energy and cost-consciousness, the roof has become an asset that homeowners cannot afford to overlook.

Remember this annual roof maintenance checklist:

- Clean all debris off the surface of the roof, including anything that has gathered behind skylights, valleys or pipes. Debris can hold water and speed up roof



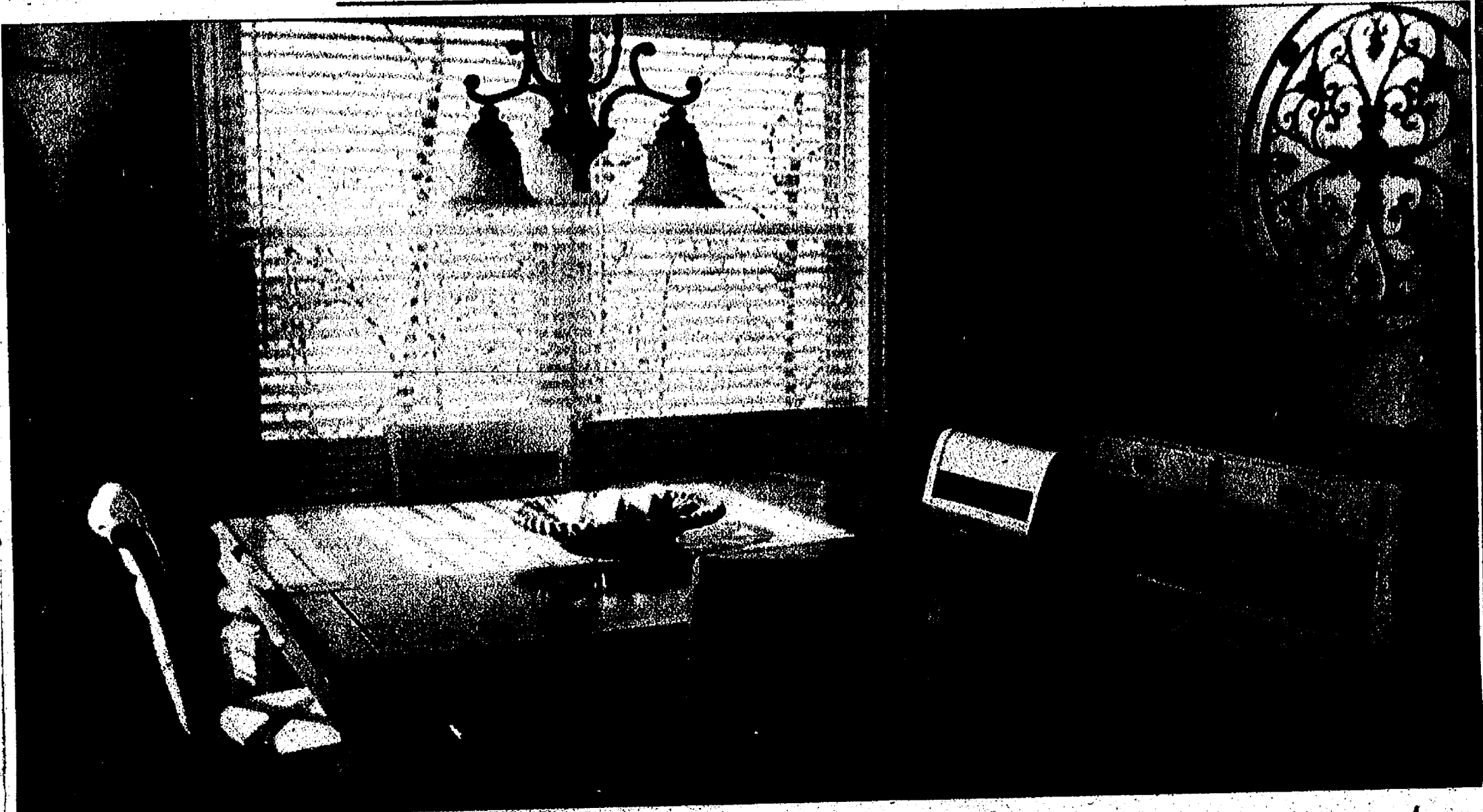
deterioration.

- Check flashing for holes and repair or replace if needed.
- Seal flashing if needed.
- Check for loose or damaged roof shingles. Apply sealant under the loose shingles.

- Remove and replace any damaged shingles.

- Trim overhanging trees to prevent future roof damage from animals or limbs.

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Decor can help you wow your mate

When it comes to impressing your mate, forget about diamonds and designer gifts. You're more likely to snag a date based on your decorating taste than with bling.

A majority of men and women - 88 and 85 percent, respectively - would prefer to receive a room makeover over a pricey pair of diamond earrings or watch, according to the KILZ Roller Report.

The annual survey, which polled 1,000 people across the United States and Canada, revealed surprising insights into how men and women perceive home decor in its fifth edition, "If Your Walls Could Talk."

Lisa LaPorta, host and designer of HGTV's *Designed to Sell* and *Bang for Your Buck*, has interpreted the survey results and created some corresponding tips to add personality and appeal to your home's decor.

"A person's home offers insight into who they are and how they live their life, so it's not surprising that suitors consider the decor of potential mates in the early stages of dating," says LaPorta.

"Thankfully, it's easy to seem design-savvy by making quick updates with inexpensive options that won't break the bank."

Men and women want to wine and dine at home

Given the current economy, 56 percent of people would rather dine in with friends

than eat out at a restaurant. According to LaPorta, a restaurant's decor is one of its key draws, and most restaurant designers rely on the same basic ingredients: lighting and color.

"For less than \$100 - often the cost of dinner for two - you can create the same ambiance in your own dining room by replacing overhead fluorescent lights with lamps and candles that create a flattering glow and cast dramatic shadows," says LaPorta.

"Choosing neutral, inviting wall colors like warm gray or buttery tan and finishing the look with appetite-stimulating bright red, orange or pink accents will ensure your guests come back for seconds."

Your apartment speaks volumes

Sixty-three percent of women consider home decor a key indicator of a man's personality and maturity level. LaPorta advises guys to lose the dozens of rock 'n roll posters and sports memorabilia they've been collecting since childhood.

"Select one or two of your favorite pieces and have them professionally matted to make them feel more like one-of-a-kind art than part of a giant collection," says LaPorta.

"You may also want to consider rearranging your furniture so oversized TVs aren't the focal point of the room."

Ladies, bright wall colors are a buzz kill

Sixty-six percent of men prefer neutral walls to bolds, so LaPorta suggests that bold wall colors can be intimidating and distracting to a new male suitor.

"Try giving your space a weekend facelift by changing a bright colored wall to a more appealing tan or beige," says LaPorta.

"Start with a high-quality, fast-drying primer like KILZ Premium, which allows for fewer topcoats to hide any traces of your past extravagant paint decisions. Add your own style through colorful accent pieces like paintings, area rugs, floral arrangements and candlesticks."

Being environmentally responsible is sexy

Nearly half of men (41 percent) and one-third of women (33 percent) would rather date a person who uses so-called "eco-friendly" products, like low- or zero volatile organic compound (VOC) paints, versus one who does not.

LaPorta emphasizes that the perception that environmentally responsible decorating is expensive is a myth.

"Start small by using a zero VOC primer like KILZ Clean Start and water based paints, which are generally lower in VOC content than conventional solvent based paints (labels will reveal actual VOC content) or switching to compact fluorescent



light bulbs," says LaPorta.

"These small changes will refresh your home and could have a positive impact on your energy bills and the environment."

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For gorgeous grass next season, start with soil, end with seed

You drained the gas from the lawn mower and stored the string trimmer - fall is officially here.

Can winter be far behind? You may think your yard work is done for another year, but don't turn your back on your lawn just yet.

Take care of some essential lawn chores this fall and you'll reap the rewards next spring - in the form of a lush, healthy, beautiful lawn. In fall, lawn grasses need to become especially strong as the weather cools.

Give them some TLC now, and your lawn will reap the benefits over the winter and into next spring.

During the fall, your lawn is getting ready to go dormant for the winter. Your grass will rely on its roots throughout the winter season to obtain nutrients until spring.

Following these five (surprisingly fast) simple steps will ensure a sensational start to lush lawns next spring.

Start with the soil and aerate

The healthier your soil is the healthier your grass will be. Good, aerated soil will make room for water, nutrients, air and roots to move with ease. Aerated, healthy soil will hold water like a sponge, but at the same time promote drainage. Aerating also creates a good environment for the micro-organisms, worms and other life forms necessary for healthy turf. Without good soil you will find yourself doing lots of weed control and over-fertilizing.

Don't delay dethatching

Thatch is the layer of dead grass that settles in between the soil surface and the green foliage of the grass. Too much thatch interferes with nutrient and water absorption. To gauge thatch's thickness, take a 6-inch-deep plug of sod and soil from the lawn and measure the thickness of the packed thatch. If your thatch layer is more than 1/2 inch thick, your grass will struggle to grow.

Supply soil conditioners

Also called soil amendments, soil conditioners added to soil improve plant growth and overall health. Soil conditioners are not fertilizers, but they do improve soil's drainage and some will also increase the water holding capacity of your soil.



Sow your seeds

Sowing grass seed will increase turf density and improve the overall health and appearance of your lawn. Seeding in the fall helps the lawn recover from heavy summer traffic and it influences the lawn's look for the following spring. A dense lawn is also the best natural defense against weed and insect damage. For a wide variety of grass seed choices specifically formulated for your geographic region visit www.outsidepride.com.

An increasingly popular addition to backyard beauty is planting wildflowers instead of grass in hard to maintain, problem spots, like slopes and banks. Outsidepride.com offers a wide variety of blends for nine areas of the country, from the rainy Northeast to the dry Southwest. Adding wildflower seed this fall to your backyard will add beauty and diversity to your landscape next spring.

The easy way is the better way

When it comes to labor intensive fall lawn chores like aerating, dethatching, and soil conditioning, brute force isn't necessarily the best, most efficient way to get the job done.

You could rent a core aerator to pull up finger-sized cores of soil, but it takes a strong back and plenty of time to manage the heavy equipment.

If your lawn is small enough, you can do the dethatching job using a thick-bladed thatching rake. But bigger lawns call for a power thatching mower. Soil conditioning is easier, yet still time-consuming.

Try a labor-free, easy, all-natural option that's a liquid product, like LazyMan Liquid Gold. You can tackle the tasks of aerating, dethatching and soil conditioning with a hose-end sprayer in a matter of minutes.

Non-toxic and all natural, LazyMan Liquid Gold's polymers penetrate hard soil and alternately attract or repel water

molecules, opening pathways to allow free passage of moisture and nutrients.

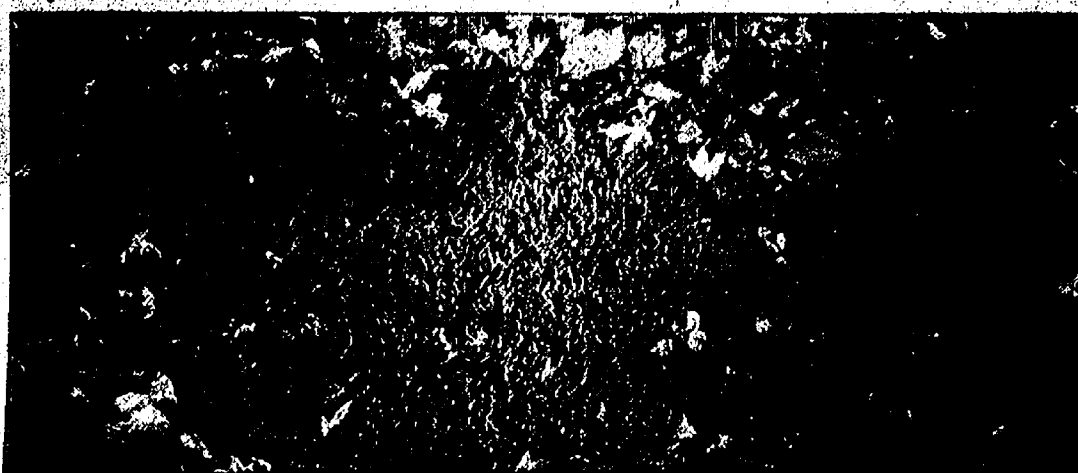
A brew of microbes feeds on dead plant tissue in the thatch layer, reducing thatch by half with just three applications at four-week intervals. Finally humic acids and soil fungi promote soil fertility and plant growth.

After one-step spraying of LazyMan Liquid Gold, you've already accomplished three essential fall lawn care tasks. Now, all that's left to do is seed and feed.

By following these simple lawn care practices in the fall, you can put your lawn to bed and sleep easily knowing that when your lawn awakens from winter it will be healthy and super-charged for spring.

To learn more about lawn care, visit www.outsidepride.com.

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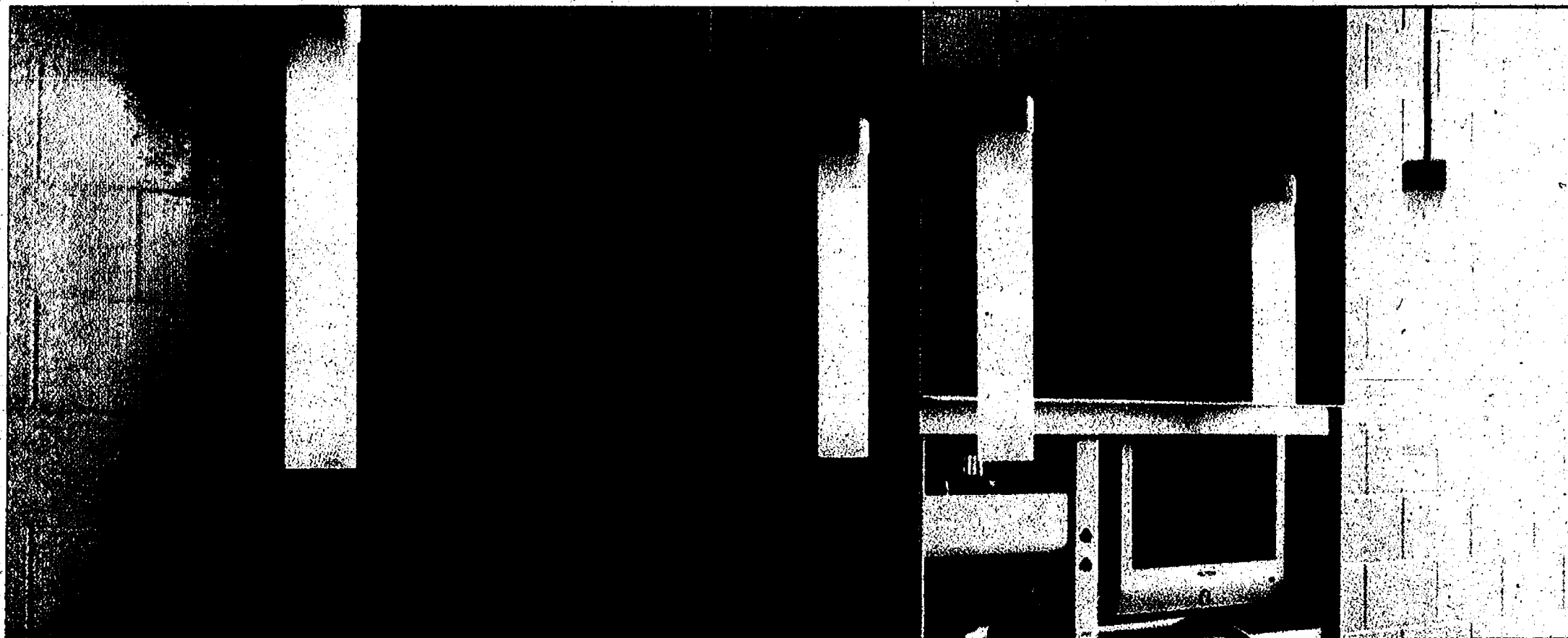
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Uplift cabinet helps to minimize bathroom clutter

While bathrooms are some of the smallest rooms in the house, they tend to be the areas where a lot of personal items are stored.

Typical bathroom sink counters and shelves are crammed full of cosmetics, medications, hair-styling items and dental care tools, looking cluttered and messy and making it difficult to clean them.

"Research shows that many homeowners don't like clutter in the bathroom and seek storage at their fingertips," says Steve Bissell, president of Robern, a Kohler company and leader in bath storage solutions.

For an innovative storage option, Robern has designed a new mirrored cabinet for people who want storage along with the aesthetics of a seamless mirror.

The Uplift cabinet isn't like the standard medicine cabinet over the vanity that opens out and may block your access to the sink.

The seamless mirror lifts upward, with a position-hold feature allowing it to stay partly open while you access everything inside. It is deep enough to safely contain medicine bottles, toiletries and a small radio and has an optional mount for an LCD TV.

Interior lights and outlets for up to six electronic devices make the Uplift cabinet perfect for bathroom storage so you can have all those items you need at your fingertips. And, they aren't cluttering the countertop anymore.

If you need additional storage space in the bathroom, try rolling shelves or pull-out baskets that can hide in the cabinets under the sink. You can include one basket for each family member and, since they pull out, you don't have to crawl on the

floor to reach a bottle way in the back of a cabinet.

If you don't have cabinets under your sink, there are many options for creative storage including bins and baskets to hold items like extra toilet paper, perfumes and colognes or hair-styling accessories.

Depending on how tight space is, you can put a cabinet above the toilet, or find a stand-up container to fit between the toilet and the vanity. Another option is to find containers that work well on top of the vanity, allowing you to keep items within close reach.

In the shower, don't trip on loose bottles of shampoo, conditioner and soap. Find an organizer that fits over the shower head or attaches to the shower wall with suction cups so you can get those items off the sides of the bath or the floor. If you have more than one person using the shower, consider getting each family member a separate organizer.

To keep your outlets uncluttered, make your nightlight part of the vanity mirror. The Uplift cabinet has an interior light to illuminate items stored inside and an optional nightlight along the handle that allows you to see well enough to move about the bathroom safely.

"Sometimes the most inspired ideas are the simplest," Bissell says.

"Who wouldn't want to walk into his or her bathroom at night and find a softly glowing cabinet that allows them to navigate easily?"

To provide the best task lighting for your mirror, place lights to the side of the face to avoid shadows, and keep the lights less than 40 inches apart to create the ideal illumination.

The Uplift Pendant lights hang

from the ceiling directly in front of the mirror for a unique and striking look that provides ideal, even lighting.

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