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Emotional Day at the Beach



Top: Merle Barr in October on Omaha Beach.
Above: Barr looking on at the Normandy American Cemetery.

Chelsea's Barr featured in World War II documentary

By Janet Ogle-Mater
Special Writer

Captain Merle Barr, World War II veteran and lifelong Chelsea resident, never thought he would return to the beaches of Normandy after enduring the haunting events of D-Day on June 6, 1944.

However, 65 years later he found himself reliving memories on a return trip with his son - and a film crew.

Barr, 87, spent five days in October in France touring Omaha Beach and related WWII sites as the guest of Visionalist Entertainment Productions. The trip, a result of a letter sent by Barr's youngest son Brad Barr, will be highlighted in an hour long documentary.

In addition, Barr will be a guest of honor at a special 90-minute director's cut premiere at the Fox Theatre on Sunday, Dec. 13.

"Detroit, Our Greatest Generation"

is the outcome of 16 months of filming and more than 60 interviews and personal accounts of Michigan WWII veterans. It is a tribute to the state's men and women who joined forces and fought for our freedoms, and an attempt to preserve their memories for future generations.

Captain Barr was the only veteran extended the invitation to return to Normandy for filming.

"It was a complete surprise to me - one of lifetime," said Merle Barr of his son's letter and resulting journey. "Brad called me after he had been contacted by the production company, and a few weeks later I was on my way there. It was the most exciting thing in the world."

During his return to Normandy, Barr toured Omaha Beach, the D-day Museum, the city of St. Lo, and other

PLEASE SEE BEACH/5-A

SRSLY youth take the lead

Young people are taking over, at least when it comes to SRSLY.

More than 60 students gathered in the Media Center at Beach Middle School to discuss their goals for themselves and their community at the second annual SRSLY Youth-Only Meeting on Nov. 16.

Most of the youth in attendance had not previously been members of the coalition, but attended because they wanted to learn more about SRSLY, and see what a youth-only meeting was like.

"Lots of times, we're told by adults to be quiet. But in SRSLY, we want to hear what kids have to say," said Ellen Christie, 10th-grade student and president of the SRSLY Youth Steering Committee (YSC).

The evening opened with a video created by YSC members Madisen Powell and Julia Porter, both in eighth-grade, which featured more than ninety students from Beach Middle School talking about

their anti-drugs.

"We filmed it during Red Ribbon Week, when SRSLY was doing the 'What's Your Anti-Drug?' Media Contest," Powell said.

During the youth-only meeting, adults played the role of listeners and observers.

Youths divided into seven teams for small group discussions, and picked a team name for night. Members of the YSC and Link Leaders from the CHS club Link Crew facilitated the team discussions, with reports to the full group at regular intervals.

Discussion topics centered on questions asked in a series of three postcards mailed to all fifth through tenth-grade students prior to the youth-only meeting: Who do you think you are? What are you doing? Where do you think you're going?

"We discussed things that are important to us, including family, health, sports and

PLEASE SEE SRSLY/7-A



Madrigal Dinner offers 'Royal' family fun

On Dec. 11 and 12 at 6:30 p.m., Pierce Lake Elementary School will again be transformed into a renaissance banquet hall as the Chelsea High School Choirs, under the direction of Steven Hinz, present their 18th annual Madrigal Dinner.

This Holiday event has become a much anticipated tradition in Chelsea, since its first run in 1991. For many in Chelsea and the surrounding communities, the Holiday season begins with the fine food, splendid music, and festive Renaissance atmosphere at the Madrigal Dinner.

A large cast of lords, ladies, a king, a queen, minstrels, troubadours, a jester, the town criers, servants and beggars will invite you to be a part of a formal dinner set in the time of the Renaissance in a Medieval Castle. The comedic play and concert will happen right at your table and all around the room throughout the entire dinner.

The Madrigal Dinner is the major annual fundraiser for the vocal music department. Proceeds

support the Chelsea high school choir program. In the past, this fundraising effort has allowed the program to purchase music, purchase orchestral parts for major choral works, and to buy robes, tuxedos, and concert dresses.

It has also paid fees for the Solo & Ensemble Festival, Guest Clinicians, and support teachers for honors choir, as well as made it possible for students to see quality music performances in Ann Arbor and Detroit.

Each year, 60 to 110 students perform in the Madrigal Dinner. Around 7,650 people have enjoyed the students' performances, as well as the wonderful dinners prepared by Karen Carty at the Chelsea School District.

In true Renaissance style, this feast is eaten with the hands only - no tableware allowed!

Make your reservations (\$25 per person) online at chelsea.k12.mi.us/maddinner or by calling Barbara Obenchain at 1-734-475-9211.



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EMU hosts talk on God, Holocaust

Discussion looks at history from inter-faith view

By Art Aisner
Special Writer

Last week, more than 200 students, faculty and local clergy attended a rare and frank inter-faith discussion at Eastern Michigan University about whether God survived the horror of the Holocaust.

Titled "Did God Survive the Holocaust: A Jewish/Catholic Conversation," the event brought a leading theologian on the subject and an academic from the respective religions to explore a rather difficult question that applies to people of both — and really all — faiths.

"We wanted to do an event that furthered the understanding of a topic long discussed in Jewish culture and make it relevant and meaningful to a broad spectrum of students," said Clara Silver, executive director of Hillel at EMU.

The organization, which is dedicated to representing Jewish values on campus while enhancing the collegiate experience for a diverse student body, co-sponsored the event along with the Holy Trinity Catholic Student Parish, and

the university's College of the Arts and Sciences.

The event culminated about a year of careful planning and coordination by the groups, which don't typically work together on programming, Silver said.

The genesis for the event started after a group of extremist evangelicals spent roughly a week last fall organizing different protests on campus that condemned members of certain faiths and ethnic groups for causing negative aspects of society.

"It's part of our job as a faith-based community organization to do events that are relevant to more than just one faith, so that we come together to have these difficult but important discussions," she said.

The speakers didn't disappoint, according to many of the people of all ages, ethnicities and religions in attendance at the EMU Student Center.

The Rev. John Pawlikowski, professor of social ethics at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, said that from his years of study, it is clear the sheer brutality of the Holocaust shattered the belief in God for some completely, and severely shook the faith of millions more. Yet people, Holocaust survivors included, still practice their religion passionately, confirming the notion that God persevered.

"Some conceptions of God did not survive the ashes of Auschwitz," said Pawlikowski, a world-renowned speaker on the matter. "Those conceptions where God is all-powerful, ever present ... those had to be modified, but not in a way that eliminates God from our everyday existence."

He went on to explain that through this new understanding of God, the Holocaust not only exposed the limits of mankind's inhumanity, but also the importance of the God-to-person relationship in a way that had never been understood before.

"It put responsibility in human hands to a degree that perhaps we never fully appreciated before," he said. "Jews, gypsies, gay people were all labeled expendables, and that can never happen anymore. No human person can be considered expendable, and until we learn that lesson, we don't have a solid front against prejudice and genocide."

Guy Stern, director of the International Institute of the Righteous at the

Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills, agreed that people's perceptions of God changed after the Holocaust, and that the voluntary degradation of human life unveiled a fundamental failure in both mankind and God, as well. Some people could never recover their faith because of it.

"It was a failure of religion to live up to the old precepts of God, and a realization that, after all, we live in an imperfect world," the Wayne State University professor said. "It showed us that we are to set the goals of pursuing goodness, altruism and a social responsibility to each other, and it was God's intent to teach us by letting us on our own."

That said, Sister Mary Judith, a seminary student, said she was curious about the role of human freedom involved in Holocaust, and if humankind had repaired itself by now, six decades later.

"It's easier to believe in despair than hope, and if we don't repair ourselves, our human dignity that each of us possesses, we can't respond to what is true and what is beautiful in this world and we can't really worship," she said.

Pawlikowski said it is an ongoing struggle and that although he'd like to believe people have learned the lessons of the Holocaust, that unfortunately there is evidence to the contrary.

"We always say never again, but is that really true? We've had (atrocities) in Bosnia, Cambodia, Rwanda, Darfur, and list goes on," he said. "We have not found ways of stopping the mass degradation of human life. It's always a challenge and we have a long way to go to recover."

He also urged people of both faiths to drop the notions that

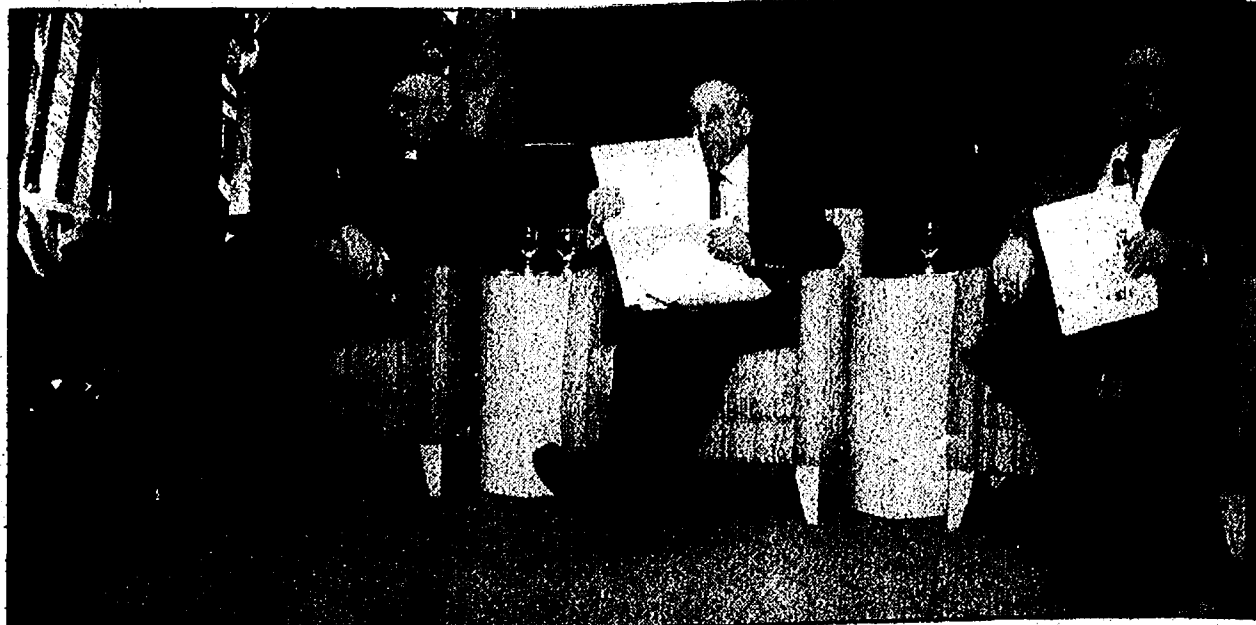


Photo by Art Aisner

The Rev. John Pawlikowski (left), Guy Stern and Eastern Michigan University professor Martin Shichtman prepare for their remarks before more than 200 people attending a rare inter-faith discussion on the Holocaust on campus last week.

God created the Holocaust to punish the Jews from straying from the commandments in the Torah, or the Christian notion that God brought the Holocaust onto Jews because they do not accept Jesus Christ as their savior.

Though coming from different religious perspectives and backgrounds in theology and academia that don't always mix well, the two speakers often agreed during their 90-minute dialogue moderated by English professor Martin Shichtman.

Shichtman, who incorporates the Holocaust into some of his courses, said it's important for students and the general community to be exposed to discussions on difficult issues of faith, particularly as we live in a time when religion is used as a device to tear people further apart.

Joseph Lieberman, an EMU graduate student who is taking one of Shichtman's classes, said he appreciated hearing

such a meaningful discussion on a topic that isn't addressed often.

"This was an ineffable moment in history and I really believe in the idea of teaching the Holocaust so it won't be repeated," he said.

He said he was encouraged to see such a large turnout and the diverse group of students in the audience who likely had not been exposed to the Holocaust much outside the classroom.

Silver said she did not expect to fill the ballroom at the EMU

Student Center to the point of requesting building staff for more chairs. It's likely that many in attendance participated as part of the university's new Learning Beyond the Classroom initiative this fall in which students can receive class credit for attending educational events on campus that are not part of required coursework.

"We have an opportunity to challenge students to think about issues that they may or may not address in the classroom," she said.



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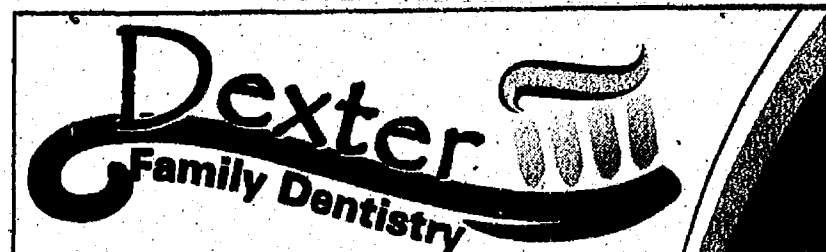
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Chamber banquet

The Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with The Chelsea Standard, will host its annual Citizen of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Awards Banquet at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 16 at the Chelsea Comfort Inn & Village Conference Center.

Tickets available at the offices of the City of Chelsea and Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce. Reservations must be made no later than Dec. 10. Make checks payable to the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, 310 N. Main St., Suite 120, Chelsea, MI 48118.

For more information on tickets, call 1-734-475-1145.

Nancy Harris, founder of Hearts Community Service, is the recipient of the 2009 Citizen of the Year Award.

This year, the Citizen of the Year committee also is honoring two longtime community contributors: Will Johnson and Bill Chandler. Johnson was president of Chelsea Community Hospital for 23 years and provided a vision and innovative leadership that few could replicate. Chandler is one of Chelsea's citizens who has quietly provided mentoring and support to the community for many years.

Holiday Concert

The Chelsea High School Chamber Choir will host a Holiday Concert at 7 p.m., Saturday at the Chelsea First United Methodist Church. The show, under the direction of Steve Hinz, is free.

Free concert

The Stockbridge Area Arts Council is sponsoring a free Christmas Concert by Barons of Brass at 4 p.m. on Sunday, at the Historic Stockbridge Township Hall in downtown Stockbridge. Doors will be open for seating at 3:30 p.m.

Giving back

Chelsea is a dedicated and giving community. Because of this generosity, the Chelsea Hometown Holiday Committee would like to invite residents to participate in a brand new feature to the Hometown Holiday Parade on Saturday.

The Hometown Holiday Committee, in partnership with Faith in Action, would like to encourage everyone to bring a non-perishable food item (no glass please) to the Hometown Holiday Parade and donate it to Faith in Action volunteers who will be marching in the parade. Students from Chelsea High School clubs will eagerly collect your much-needed donations from the Faith in Action float all along the parade route. Items especially needed are: canned meat, boxed baking mixes, laundry soap, and hygiene products.

Youth Theater

The Chelsea Area Players Youth Theater presents "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" by Barbara Robinson. This family comedy has been a favorite of young readers the world over since 1972. Funny, memorable and outrageous, it is the story of a family of incorrigible children, the Herdmans, who discover the

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Tickets are \$5 general admission and available at Chelsea Pharmacy, www.chelseaaarea-players.org, or by calling 1-800-838-8006. They also will be available at the door.

CHS Madrigal Dinner

Chelsea High School Choirs, under the direction of Steven Hinz, present their 18th annual Madrigal Dinner on Dec. 11 and 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Pierce Lake Elementary in Chelsea. Mark your calendars now and make reservations online at chelsea.k12.mi.us/madrigaldinner or by calling Barbara Obenchain 734-475-9211. The cost is \$25 per person.

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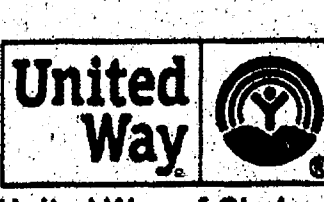




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Group eyeing public transit millage

Municipal budget cuts put routes at risk

By Austen Smith
Heritage Newspapers

Will Washtenaw County residents support a new millage to fund public transportation routes provided by the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority?

Members of a newly formed organization promoting the continued use and funding of public transportation throughout Washtenaw County are asking that very question as area municipalities continue to make budget cuts putting bus routes at risk.

The Washtenaw Partners for Transit group is comprised of local government officials, representatives of area community groups and concerned residents. They have officially started the debate of whether the county would support a millage proposal for public transportation. The Ann Arbor Transportation Authority and the areas it services have faced declining revenue and perennial budget cuts putting certain routes at risk of being cut altogether.

"We believe that it's important to continue funding the AATA routes. There is so much demand for public transit. Gas prices are always going up, and if we really want to restart the economy, continuing to expand and support public transportation creates jobs," said Terri Blackmore, director for the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study.

The AATA, or known to residents as The Ride, is a nonprofit group mainly funded by the city of Ann Arbor with a dedicated 2 mills per the city's charter. The Ride also contracts with the city of Ypsilanti, and Ypsilanti and Superior townships to support approximately 190 employees helping to provide more than six million trips per year.

Ypsilanti city bus routes have been in danger of cuts for the past several years and caused a slight uproar, especially among local seniors, when some routes were proposed to be cut in the summer of 2007. Recently, those reductions were back on the table in an effort to save the city approximately \$64,000 per year, but were saved by federal stimulus funding authorized in September by AATA's board.

The original proposal would have discontinued service for a vital route along Packard Road and cut some hours of opera-

tion for other routes. The stimulus funding has guaranteed service through June 2011.

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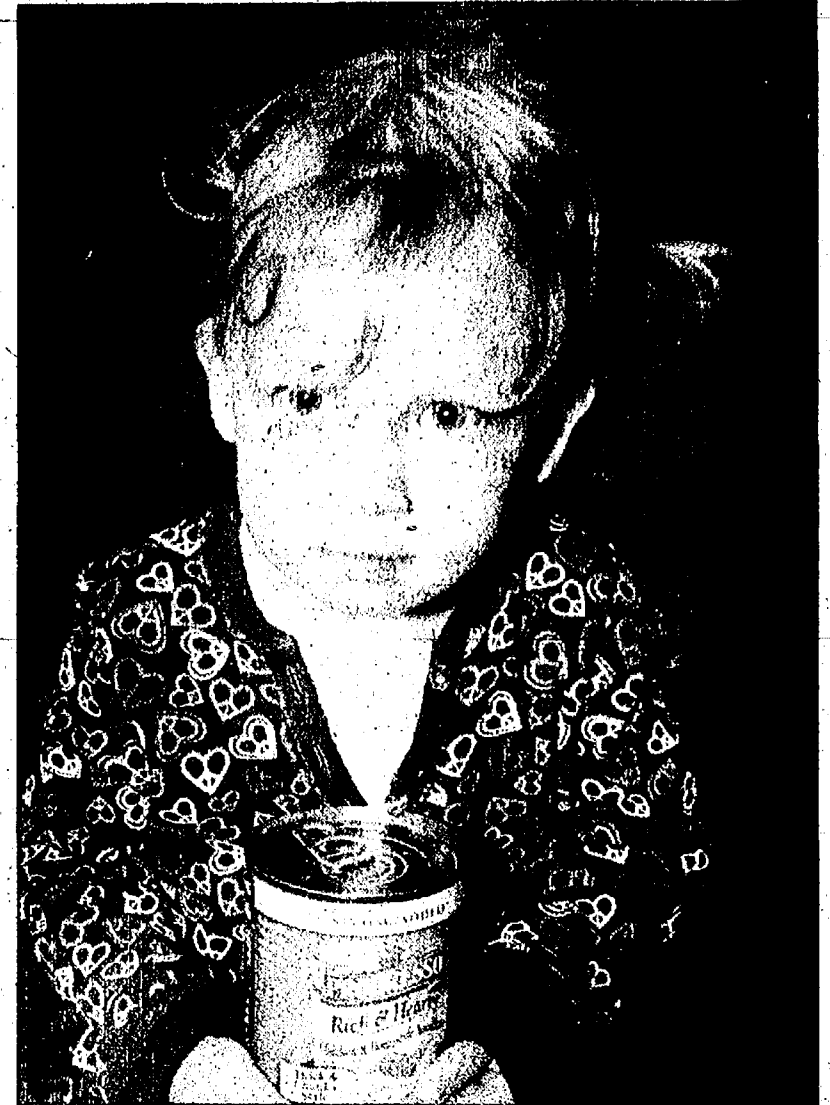
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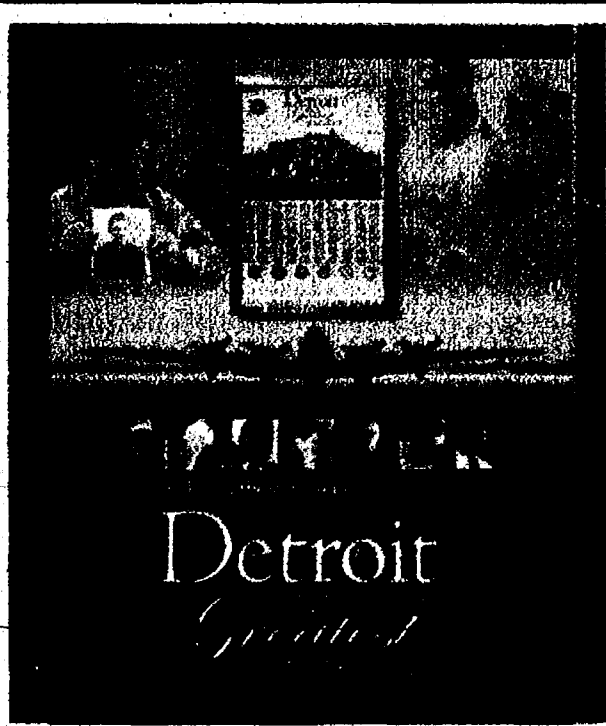
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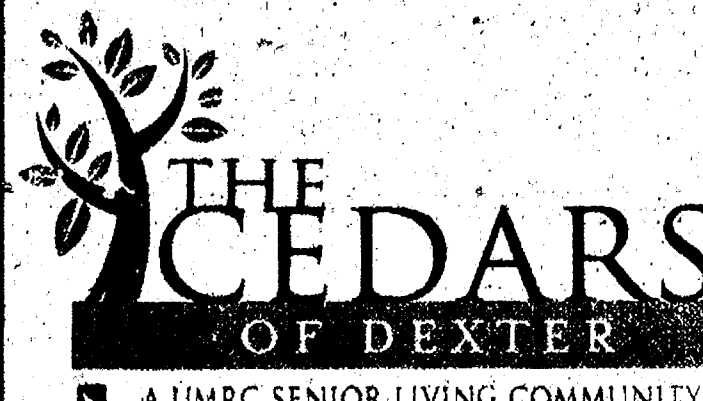
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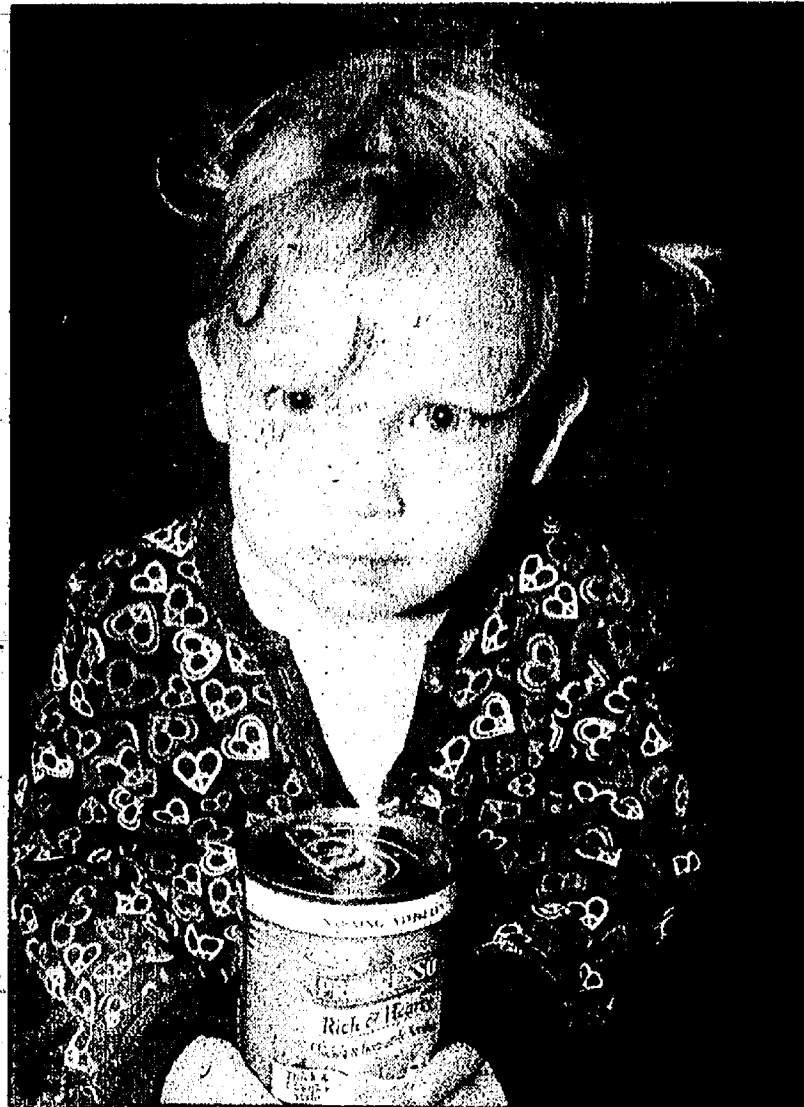
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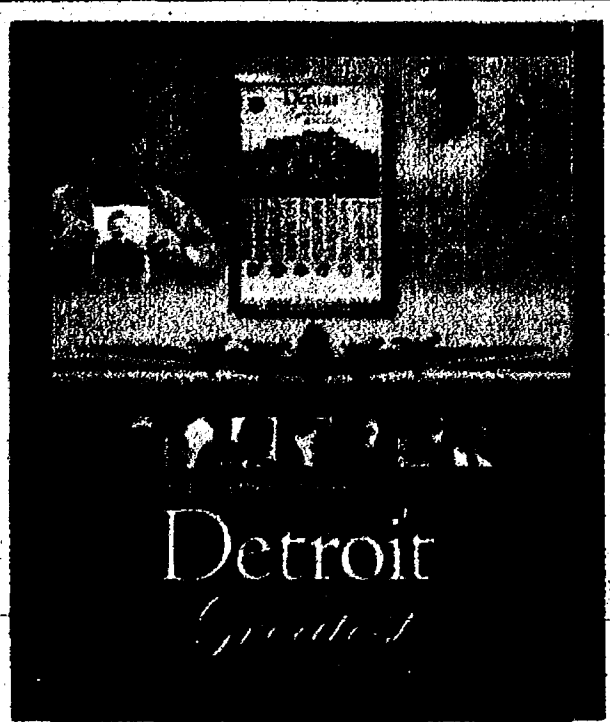
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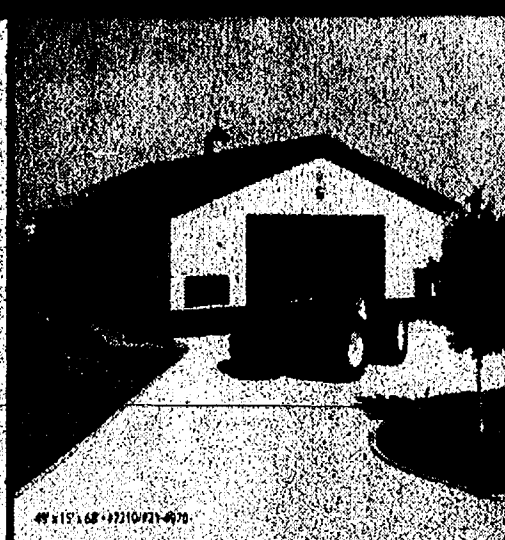
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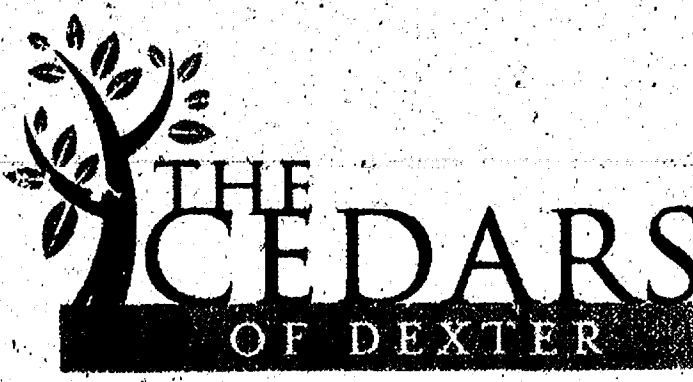
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I've oohed and aahed after discovering newborn fawns curled up in the tall grass on the back of my property. However, I've said more than a few bad words when I discovered that they had eaten my tulips and miniature rose gardens.

Although I pay the mortgage for this place, the deer look at me as a squatter — but one who regularly fills the bird feeders that they so enjoy emptying.

In November, I'm acutely aware that the deer skitter more frequently across the local roads than during other times of the year.

Area hunters and early evening darkened skies mean I drive a lot more slowly in this area.

But after living here for more than 10 years, I know this road, and where the deer generally cross it.

In fact, I've joked with friends that I have a greater chance of hitting a deer in my own driveway than while driving on the roads.

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Well, all that changed about a week ago, when I hit my first deer.

It happened less than a quarter mile from my home.

And it was scary. I saw her coming at the driver's side full tilt, so I floored it.

I read somewhere the worst thing you can do is hit the brakes, so I took a gamble. And it paid off.

The doe hit the front quarter panel of my van and like a pool ball, ricocheted, while I kept going.

I'm fine, the van has a slight dent and

the deer, as far as I could tell, is OK, too.

But this means I will become a statistic in next year's Southeast Michigan Council of Governments vehicle-deer crash data.

I decided to do some research after the mishap and found that Sylvan Township ranks second only to Scio Township in the number of deer-vehicle crashes.

In both 2006 and 2007, there were 94 deer-car crashes reported in Sylvan Township, while in 2008 there were 93 listed.

Technically speaking as one of my friends pointed out, the doe hit me. She jumped out of a thicket and was headed straight for my driver's side window.

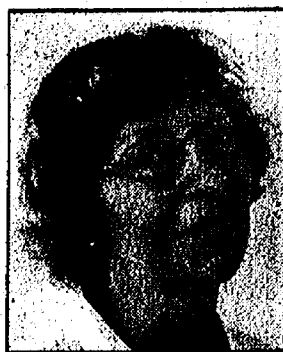
The most ironic thing is my van had remained dent free as I made those monthly payments for the last three years.

I just paid it off in October, so perhaps this was its christening.

You dent it, you own it.

Plus, my friends tell me, until you hit a deer, you're not officially a Michigander.

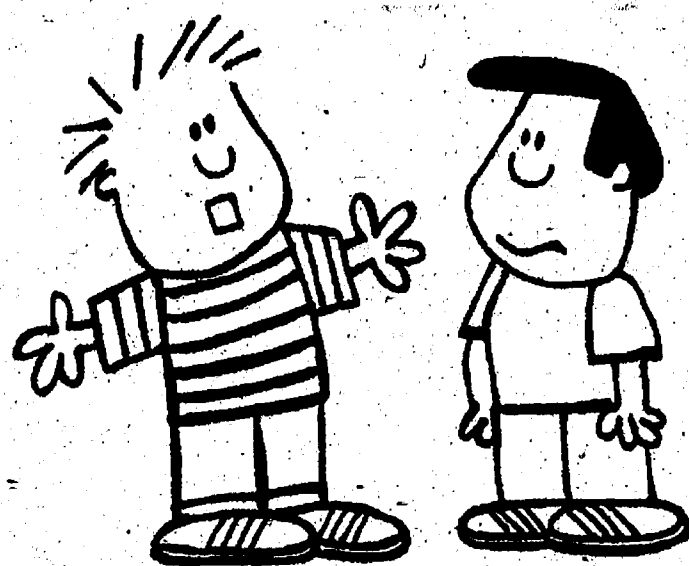
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"I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SLEEP EVER SINCE MY DREAMS STARTED CARRYING TWITTER."

A few 'thank yous' after the fact

There's a good reason why political columnists rarely offer up anything remotely connected to Thanksgiving, because there is so little for which to give thanks.

Should everyone be rejoicing at the professional manner in which the lawmakers and governor resolved this year's budget?

Or better yet, should we be thankful that they took two weeks off for hunting season and turkey day because, as the old saying goes, if they aren't in town, they can't do anything to harm you.

You get the point.

However, now that you are feasting on leftovers from the Thanksgiving Day feast, let's see if it's possible to write a Thanksgiving postscript?

Thank you to Sarah Palin. She has provided a nice distraction from the gargantuan health

care debate, two wars and the sorry state of the economy around here.

Approximately 1,500 souls showed up to buy her book in Grand Rapids, and by the media accounts, the turnout provided enough to launch her bid for the White House in four years.

A little perspective please: Michigan has 9 million people who did not go to Grand Rapids. That that mere handful of "Palin-tologists" does not a movement make ... media accounts notwithstanding.

Thanks to the Gang of 44 in the Michigan House: After spending almost 10 months in hibernation, this freshman class has shown signs of life as it tackles a rewrite of how we fund our schools and pushes a long overdue effort to revamp the state's awful term limits law. To be sure they have not

produced any results, but their heart is in the right place if the votes so far are not.

Thanks to House Speaker Andy Dillon: Not for his proposed rewrite of the state's health care system, but for providing the long running "will-he-or-won't-he-run-for-governor" saga.

He and his minions have managed to keep the thing alive for months, but the end is in sight, for which we can also be thankful.

Thanks to Gov. Jennifer Granholm for scrubbing the holiday parties at the executive residence this year: The time-honored tradition dates back to former Gov. William Milliken, who was so enthralled by having the Capitol Press Corps over to the house that he had his staff flick the lights on and off precisely at 7 p.m. when the bash was scheduled to end.

This governor, of course, would never be so tacky, but she could use the rest as she prepares to enter her final year in office.

Thanks to former Gov. John Engler, who is secretly plotting to influence the outcome of the

next race for governor: What's a political dogfight without the ultimate in political dogfighters sticking his nose into the fray? Especially while reports circulate that he and his wife are looking for a new home back here.

Thanks to the Senate Republicans for teaching our children that the word "compromise" is indeed a four-letter word and that it is better to avoid seeking the middle ground on anything if it damages the GOP chances of winning the next election: Kids, don't do as they say — compromise in the legislative process is not a dirty word.

Finally, thanks to those political bloggers who add to the discourse and manage to do it with total disregard for any journalistic standards, including pursuit of that little thing we call the truth: You make the rest of the media look pretty good.

In and of itself, that is quite an accomplishment — and something to be thankful for.

Tim Skubick is the host of the TV show "Off The Record" and blogs regularly at www.thenews-herald.com.

GUEST OPINION



TIM SKUBICK

OUR TAKE: Editorial

Tax break for vet bills? Give us a break

With everything going on in Washington, D.C., these days, there are a lot of Americans who think Congress has gone to the dogs. Well, it just so happens that if a Michigan congressman gets his way, that description could be taken literally.

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, wants a tax break for veterinary expenses.

His proposal is called HAPPY, an acronym for the Humanity and Pets Partnered through the Years Act.

"No matter the age of the owner, pets have been shown to reduce stress; safeguard against depression, improve social skills and even ease loss," McCotter wrote in a letter to other members of Congress.

HAPPY would cover everything from procedures such as declawing and fixing broken bones to treatment for common ailments like worms and parasites.

In addition, popular surgeries such as spaying and neutering would be completely tax deductible, possibly making animal overpopulation easier to control.

"Although we can't say for sure, if this bill led to fewer animals on the streets that would be fantastic," George Carr, a lobbyist for the Okemos-based Michigan Veterinary Association, said in a report by The Associated Press.

We don't want to seem like we don't like dogs, cats or other household pets, but seriously, there's a logic problem with HAPPY.

If your dog injures a leg, you'll get a tax break for veterinarian fees. But if your child breaks a leg playing football, you're stuck with whatever costs aren't covered by a health insurance plan, if you are lucky enough in this tough economy to have insurance.

And, yes, we realize pets can reduce stress and depression, but so can a number of legal drugs, which also are not tax deductible.

And while HAPPY has picked up support from some organizations and animal societies, no one has even attempted to determine how much federal tax revenue would be lost if the bill becomes law.

As Congress struggles with healthcare reform, should tax breaks be given for our pets?

We don't think so.

But we will note that there are insurance policies that can be purchased that cover the care of animals. Many people frequently say that pets — particularly dogs — live better lives than some children. That is, obviously, a reference to kids who are from poor families that are finding it hard to make ends meet.

That's why it's ironic that while Washington endlessly debates healthcare reform and seems to put people at the bottom of the priority list, there's legislation to help animals.

We're all for the humane treatment of animals, pets or otherwise. And we'll concede that the congressman is supporting this bill with only the best of intentions. But it also cries out as an example of misplaced priorities.

We need to focus on health care for humans. Animals can take a back seat at this time.

We praise McCotter for the hard work and dedication. He has proven that he is an independent thinker and will vote his conscience, even if it means taking an unpopular stance.

But in this case, we believe the congressman is not quite on track.

Currently, this bill seems stalled in the Ways and Means Committee. It's probably best if it never makes it out.

Classroom help: Here's a program worth looking at

With public school funding — or a lack of it — all over the news lately, there is a program out there that offers a clean, easy way to make your dollars count right in the most important place, the classroom.

Adopt-A-Classroom is a national program founded by a corporate attorney, James Rosenburg.

Rosenburg was working in Florida at the time and was mentoring students at a low-income school. He was shocked at the school's lack of resources.

He and a friend started Adopt-A-Classroom, which connects donors to classrooms. Teachers can go online and explain their classroom needs via a form at www.adoptaclassroom.com.

Interested donors go online, select a classroom and make a contribution. It can be done on any type of criteria — geography, school, teacher, etc.

The teacher then has the ability to use the donated credit for classroom needs. The donor receives impact reports that detail how the money was used. Teachers who receive donations communicate yearlong with the donors, which can be companies, service clubs or individuals.

Many people don't know that surveys show that teachers spend an average of \$1,200 annually of their own money on basic supplies for their classrooms. Teachers in poorer districts spend even more.

This is a clean, efficient way to contribute directly to education by having your donations put to use directly in the classrooms. If you're looking to help, Adopt-A-Classroom is a great place to start.

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Chelsea to choose firm for new police station

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea staff and City Council members next Monday will choose the architect and construction team that will build the new police station project on the Chelsea State Bank property.

The building will also include council chambers so the City Council no longer has to hold meetings at the Washington Education Center at 500 Washington Street.

City officials said they were impressed with each of the presentations by the three architecture firms, including A.R. Brouwer of Dexter, Phoenix Construction of Ypsilanti and J.S. Vig of Taylor.

Council Trustee Ann Feeney said that the council walked away from the table

with the clear favorite, but she said that the firm's identity wouldn't be made public until the Monday discussion and vote.

"All three were pretty talented architects that have done this stuff before," Feeney said.

The city considered many options, including square footage and design configuration, but chiefly cost.

Chelsea has set the dollar amount of the project at roughly \$2 million, based on the level of financing that the city qualifies for.

"We gave them some parameters," Feeney said. "We needed 12,000 square feet and under \$2 million. The (Request for Proposals) also said that we need a common space, a dispatch area and facilities for both male and female (instead

of co-ed facilities)," because there is a woman on the department's staff now.

Separate cells for men and women were also called for in the design specs, as well as a secure entryway for prisoners being brought in off the street after being placed under arrest.

The RFP also called for the council conference chambers to be secure from inside the station and accessible from outside since council meetings take place after business hours.

"Everyone had their own approach to what we were looking for," Feeney said.

Another commonality was the ability to begin construction in March or April and have the project done by year's end, although that doesn't necessarily mean Chelsea police officers would be moved into the new building by then.

SRSLY

FROM PAGE 1-A

and school," said team facilitator and 11th-grade student and Link Leader Emily Whitesall, in response to the discussion question, "Who do you think you are?"

Sam Blackledge, also a Link Leader in 11th grade, spoke about her involvement in SRSLY in response to the question "What are you doing?"

"I just joined SRSLY a couple weeks ago, but I think it's great," said Blackledge. "It

keeps us on the right track."

Max Casselli, a 4th-grade student who was new to the coalition, reported out for his team on their discussion of the question "Where do you think you're going?"

"We want to get more people involved in SRSLY," said Casselli. "We want to be a role model for other communities."

SRSLY aims to increase opportunities for youth to be involved in the community, as a way to reduce underage drinking and drug use. For more information, go to www.srslychelsea.org.

Briefs



Rummage sale

Friends and family of Robert Wood (above) are hosting a benefit rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Dec. 11; from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 12 and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 13 at Chelsea Lanes.

Wood, 25, was born and raised in Chelsea. He was originally diagnosed in July 2007 with Hodgkin's Lymphoma. He was given a 95 percent chance of cure, and after chemo was cancer free. On his three-month checkup his cancer had returned, and he went through more chemo, a stem-cell transplant and radiation.

Again, he was given the all clear, and again on his three-month checkup his cancer had returned in his upper left lung. He has gone through more radiation therapy and the tumor has shrunk, but is still present. He is currently on full medical leave from work because of physical and mental strains on his health.

Since this is the third time, he has been given a 10-20 percent survival rate over five years.

Toys for Tots



Surovell Realty is again collecting toys for Toys for Tots at their Chelsea office, 1301 S. Main St. The collecting team includes Charles Silkworth (L-R), Cheryl Latschaw, Ted Saber, Melissa Jansen, Christine Fitzsimons, Judy Nana, Diane Bice, Leah Herrick, Tammy Lehman, Darla Bohlender, Peter Schaberg, Steve Easudes and Pat Fielder.

For information, e-mail Brenda at cafawife615@hotmail.com.

Large Rummage Sale

The Chelsea High School robotics team will host a large rummage sale this weekend as a fund-raiser for the team.

The event will take place on Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Washington Street Center.

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DesignHub marks 10-year anniversary

On Nov. 26, 1999, the day after Thanksgiving, Karen Ragland and Ted Chesky juggled in a load of desks, chairs, and boxes of equipment, then put up their shingle on a one-room office in the old Johnson Controls building on East Bennett Street near downtown Saline.

With that, the two founded DesignHub Inc., the Saline-based creative services and marketing firm now celebrating 10 years in business.

Chris Kochmanski joined Ragland and Chesky as a DesignHub partner in 2002. Additional staff and freelance professionals today help the firm create Web sites, brochures, catalogs, newsletters, advertising, publicity, direct mail, trade show displays and more for their clients, mostly small to medium-size organizations in Southeast Michigan.

In September 2006, DesignHub moved to its current digs in the historic Hoyt-Ford Offices at 600 W. Michigan Ave., on the banks of the Saline River, across from Weller's.

A good share of DesignHub's work is for Saline businesses and organizations. The city of Saline recently launched an extensive new Web site designed and developed by the firm. DesignHub has created logos for the Saline District Library, Saline Parks and Recreation and the Saline Celtic Festival. The firm has also created Web sites for Saline-based American Aqua, Bemis Farms Childcare, Homeowner Services of America and Sun Engineering.

Other DesignHub clients with significant presence in Saline include Chelsea Lumber and Evangelical Homes of Michigan.

In recent years, DesignHub's work has been recognized for excellence with Addy Awards from the Ann Arbor Ad Club. Award-winning projects have included press kits introducing new vehicles from Chrysler Corp., product catalogs for Ann Arbor-based Motawi Tileworks, and a new Web site and brochures for Daycroft Montessori School of Ann Arbor.

DesignHub also recently designed and developed Motawi Tileworks' online store, www.motawitile.com.

Industrial and high-tech marketing is another DesignHub specialty. The firm provides creative services and marketing consultation to area technology leaders.

Other DesignHub clients run the gamut from research and consulting to professional services and industrial supply.

DesignHub's 10-year anniversary has come fast, the partners say.

"The past decade has been a rollercoaster ride, economically," Ragland said. "First we felt the aftermath of 9/11, then the severe downturn from the banking crisis. There have also been upheavals in our business, especially on the Web side, with new twists on the technology emerging seemingly every day. But we've managed to weather the storms and keep up with the trends, and we've grown our business steadily."



DesignHub co-owners and partners are Chris Kochmanski (left), Karen Ragland and Ted Chesky. They're joined by Copper, the dog. The local business is marking a milestone.

Ragland and Chesky had previously worked together at another area marketing communications firm. Ragland brought to DesignHub her skills in account services, new business development, project management and accounting gained through more than 25 years of business ownership and advertising industry experience.

Chesky has focused on the creative side of the business. He serves as the firm's creative director, chief graphic designer, and Web site design and development guru.

By the time Kochmanski joined DesignHub, he had amassed more than two decades of experience in business-to-business marketing with leading area technology companies. Kochmanski added expertise in marketing strategy and copywriting, along with sales and account management ability to the DesignHub mix.

In time, the firm's steady growth convinced Ragland, Chesky, and Kochmanski to build the DesignHub team. Jason West, a graphic designer and Web developer, signed on in 2008, and has helped the firm keep pace with changing Web methods and technology. Ryan Sexton is DesignHub's chief Web programmer.

In addition, the firm draws upon a stable of freelance designers, programmers, photographers and other creative professionals as needed. The business model enables the company to expand and contract as the workload demands.

Ragland's dog Copper, believed to be a Nova Scotia Duck-tolling Retriever, spends most business hours with the DesignHub staff at their office.

DesignHub makes a point of giving back to the communities that support it. The firm sponsors many community events, organizations, and charities, including C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Saline Area Schools, the Saline Area Youth Baseball Association, the Saline Celtic Festival, Saline Fiddlers, the Saline Firehouse Chili Cook-off and more.

DesignHub's contributions

have not only been financial. The firm sometimes donates its time, services, and marketing expertise to help favorite causes.

Ragland, in particular, is a whirlwind of community involvement. She is on the executive board of the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce, the publicity committee for the Evangelical Homes of Michigan Memory Support Center, the Saline Culture & Arts Committee, and the organizing committee for Saline Summerfest.

In recognition of Ragland's extensive contributions to the

community, the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce saluted her as Saline's Citizen of the Year in 2007.

This past August, DesignHub and its landlord, Phoenix Packaging, Inc., hosted the first annual Great Gatsby Regatta, a festive benefit for the Saline High School's crew team, on the two companies' riverfront grounds. Ragland, who is on the crew team's board of directors, was the event's chief organizer. It raised money to build a boathouse for the team. Guests were invited to dress in '20s-era outfits, and they danced to

old-fashioned big-band music. About 150 people attended and made financial contributions.

Kochmanski, meanwhile, volunteers for the Friends of the Saline District Library. He is a former director of the Ann Arbor IT Zone and a current director of the Ann Arbor Ad Club. He also initiated the popular Marketing Roundtable program series for Ann Arbor SPARK, and continues to serve on its organizing committee.

Both Ragland and Kochmanski are graduates of the Saline Leadership

Institute.

Chesky is a member of the Great Oak Cohousing Community of Ann Arbor. He shares in managing the community, contributing to it, sharing in its upkeep and day-to-day activities, and enhancing its resources.

West recently volunteered to help organize and conduct programs for Refreesh Detroit, an association of some of the area's top Web designers and developers. He is also a member of the Michigan Usability Professionals Association.

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BOCK, DUANE K., of Milan, MI; age 84; died Friday, November 27, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. He was born September 10, 1925, in Garden City, MI, to Joseph and Lelia (Klatt) Bock. On October 9, 1948, he married Jean Clark and she survives; survivors also include two sons, Ray Bock of Milan and Tim (Julie) Bock of Tipton; grandchildren, Amber, T.J., Zack and Rik-kell Bock, Jennica, Mackenzie; Jaron and Kamryn Warner; a brother, Ed (Betty) Bock; and a sister, Shirley Riggs. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Raymond, sisters, Marian Dicks and Virginia Davis, and brothers-in-law, Loren Dicks, Frank Riggs and Jack Davis. Duane attended Lincoln and Milan schools; he drove truck for 41 years and was a retired teamster. He was a member of the Milan Moose and he and his wife, Jean, volunteered many hours with the Milan and Saline American Legion. Duane was well known to many; his jovial personality will be missed by all who knew him. Cremation has taken place; a Celebration in his memory was held at the Saline American Legion, 320 W. Michigan Ave. on Wednesday, December 2, 2009, from 1 to 5 p.m. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the American Macular Degeneration Foundation, P.O. Box 515, North Hampton, MA 01061. Arrangements by Ochalek-Stark Funeral home, Milan. www.ochalekstark.com

JACKSON, JOHN D., of Virginia Beach; age 62; passed away on November 7, 2009. Mr. John Douglas Jackson was born in Detroit, MI, to the late Pete James and Johnnie Mae Wilson Jackson. He was raised in Inkster, MI, and graduated from Robichaud High School in 1965, where he was a member of the Swim Team. He graduated from Eastern Michigan University in 1974 with a degree in history and was an All American diver. He served two tours in the U.S. Navy from 1969 to 1973 and 1974 to 1990. He retired after more than 20 years of honorable service as a Lieutenant Commander. His last posting was at the Pentagon. During his time in the U.S. Navy he received a MBA from Southeastern University in Washington, D.C. Following his retirement from the Navy he worked for Century 21 as a real estate agent and system analyst and tax preparer for Jackson Hewitt Tax Service from 1991 until his death. Mr. Jackson's survivors include his brother, James S. Jackson (Toni) of Ann Arbor, MI; and nieces, Ariana and Kendra; his sister, Susan Chelsey of Monroe, WA; niece, Erica; and nephews, Jonathan and Adrian; his brother, Larry Jackson (Janice), predeceased him; other surviving nephews include Larry's sons, Sidney Paul, and Alex; and a host of great nieces and nephews. John was an avid sports fan. He followed local and national college and professional sports of all kinds, as well as his former high school and college sports teams. He also enjoyed collecting model trains and classic comic books. He was an avid reader. The family is planning a memorial service in the spring of 2010. John will be buried in Michigan with other family members. Until then, friends may offer condolences at www.mem.com



CARTER, GEORGE "Bill", Ann Arbor, MI (formerly of Ypsilanti); age 81; passed away Friday, November 27, 2009 at home. He was born June 10, 1928 in Royal Oak, MI, the son of Russell and Gladys (Cross) Carter. On May 1, 1954, he married Delores Wilburn in IN and she survives. George worked for Ford Motor Company for 30 years, retiring from the Sheldon Road plant. He loved to hunt, loved dogs and was a member of the Masonic Lodge #13 in Ypsilanti. In addition to his loving wife of 55 years, survivors include two daughters, Barbara Carter of Ypsilanti and Patricia Son of Ypsilanti; five grandchildren, Molly Gapp, Eric and Taylor Gilliam and Adam and Ryan Son; one great granddaughter, Mackenzie; two brothers, Robert (Maxine) Carter of Frankfort and Thomas (Helen) Carter of Brooklyn; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements handled through Stark Funeral Service. Cremation has taken place and private services have been held. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Kellogg Eye Center, 1000 Wall Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 for Macular Degeneration Research. Please sign his guest book at www.starkfuneral.com.

FOLLEN, ANNIE S., of Redford Township, MI; age 84; passed away on Sunday, November 29, 2009, at the Arbor Hospice Residence in Ann Arbor. She was born on November 28, 1925, in Glasgow, Scotland, and had lived in the area for 50 years. On December 26, 1947, she married Edward Follen in Glasgow and he preceded her in death on July 1, 1989. Annie loved sewing, golfing, traveling, decorating, gardening, and most of all visiting relatives and family and spending time with her grandchildren. She is survived by two children, Mary Ann (Thomas) Flynn of Chelsea and Alex Follen of Hartland; one sister, Faye Forbes of Glasgow; and six grandchildren. A Funeral Service will be held Friday, December 4, 2009, at 1 p.m. from St. James Presbyterian Church in Redford with Rev. Paul S. Bousquett officiating. Interment will take place at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park in Livonia. The family will receive friends at the church on Friday from 12 Noon until the hour of service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army or the church. Arrangements by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea.

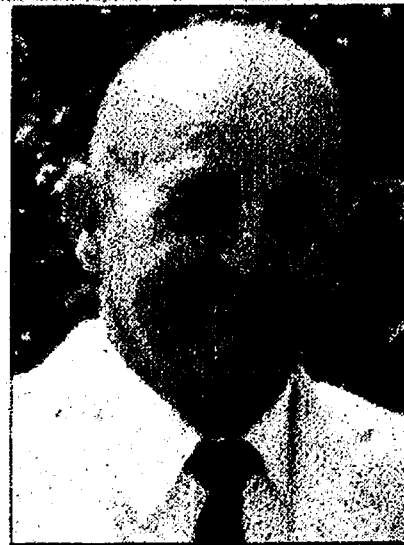
EGELER, KATHLEEN M., of Chelsea, MI; age 77; died Tuesday, November 24, 2009, in Ann Arbor. Funeral Services were held Tuesday, December 1, 2009, from Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Freysinger officiating. Burial followed at Vermont Cemetery. The family received friends on Monday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Expressions of sympathy can be made to the family.



CHENOWETH, DOROTHY MAY, Jackson, MI, formerly of Chelsea, MI; age 85; died Monday, November 30, 2009 in Jackson, Michigan. She was born August 15, 1924 in Lamont, Oklahoma, the daughter of George Thomas and Leota Goldie (Bears) Russell. Dorothy moved to Chelsea in 1984, coming from Madison Heights, MI. She moved to Jackson last December. She enjoyed many crafts, including quilt making, rug hooking, and embroidery. On October 31, 1942, she married Robert Edward Chenoweth in Topeka, KS, and he preceded her in death on December 1, 1991. Survivors include one son, George (Linda) Chenoweth of Blountsville, Alabama; a daughter, Barbara Kitchen of Jackson; one brother, James (Dorina) Russell; one sister, Goldie (Darrell "Bud") Norris; a sister-in-law, Jessie Russell; 12 grandchildren; and 19 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Kathryn Porterfield of Madison Heights; her son-in-law, Jerry Kitchen; two brothers, Charles and John; one sister, Mary; and her parents. Burial will be at Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester Hills, Michigan on Saturday, December 5, 2009 at 1 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea.

MCLEAN, DANIEL G., of Saline, MI; born July 25, 1928; passed away Saturday, November 7, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Phyllis C. McLean. Dan retired from Operating Engineers Local 324 as a heavy equipment operator for over 30 years. Later in life Danny enjoyed anything that nature had to offer that gave him happiness. He leaves behind two sons, Dennis (Jean) and Rick (Julie); five grandchildren; three great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and a special sister and brother-in-law. At his request cremation has taken place. Memorial services will follow at a later date. Arrangements by Generations.

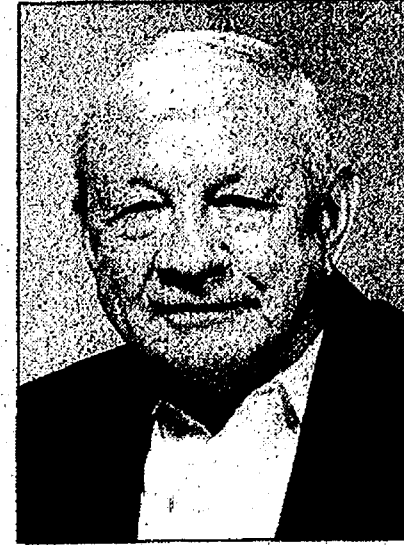
LATHERS, DAVID A., born August 19, 1938; died August 4, 2009; life long resident of Ypsilanti. Survived by brother Maurice S. Lathers of Bloomfield Twp., MI; nephews and niece, Maurice S. Jr. of CT, William R. of TX, David M. of CO, and June M. Lathers of NC, and Daniel J. Pitkin, Jr. of IL. Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, December 5, 2009, 11:30 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 300 N. Washington, Ypsilanti, MI followed by a tea reception at the church. Interred at Highland Cemetery, Tecumseh, MI.



DUNNY SR., DONALD MICHAEL "BIG PETE", age 71; of Manchester; passed away November 29, 2009 at home under the loving care of his family and Arbor Hospice. Mr. Dunny was born in Manchester on January 1, 1938 in the son of John and Ida (Roumelhart) Dunny. He married Joan Forest on July 10, 1965 and she preceded him in death. Pete served his country in the Army during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Mr. Dunny attended St. Mary Roman Catholic Church in Manchester. He was employed with Union Construction as an Operating Engineer and a member of the Operating Engineers Local #324 until his retirement in 1993. After his retirement, Pete became a dedicated crossing guard for the children of Manchester. He is survived by two sons Donald "Little Pete" (Melissa Seeger) Dunny, Joseph (Sandra Schmid) Dunny; and nine grandchildren Maria, Brandon, Nicholas, Patrick, Nathan, Jesse, Cameron, Joseph and Michael. In addition to his wife, Mr. Dunny was preceded in death by his daughter Mary. In Donald's honor, memorial donations may be given to the family for future designation. Envelopes will be available at the Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Jenter Chapel Manchester where the family will receive friends on Friday, December 4, 2009 beginning at 4 p.m. until the time of service at 6 p.m. Please sign Big Pete's guestbook at www.borekjennings.com or leave a message of comfort for his family by calling 877-231-7900.



HERMAN, VERNON DEAN, age 85; a lifetime resident of Manchester; passed away Saturday, November 28, 2009 at Herrick Memorial Hospital in Tecumseh. He was born in Manchester the son of Albert and Emma (Romelhardt) Herman on August 14, 1924. He married Doris "Joan" Hill in Manchester on December 18, 1948 and she preceded him in death. Vernon is survived by his children Doris (Carl) Kemner of Clinton, Dennis Herman of Tecumseh, Doug (Mary) Herman of Jackson and Mary (Mick) Rossette of Ann Arbor; grandchildren Michael (Sarah) Kemner, Matt (Erica Matthews) Herman, David Herman, Amy (Randy) Hippensteel, Josh Herman, Joe and Max Rossette; granddaughter-in-law Marie (Brandon) Gates; great grandchildren Nathaniel and Grace Kemner, Amber and Deegan Herman, Owen and Colby Kemner and Mitchell Gates, Cheyenne and Jordyn Hippensteel; sister Gladys (Joseph) Geer; brother-in-law Ted Wilkin-son. Vernon served in World War II as a member of the U.S. Army where he received a Purple Heart and Bronze Star. He retired from Double A Products in Manchester as a Chief Design Engineer, and was a member of the Manchester United Methodist Church. Vernon was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers Earl and Leland Herman, grandson Eric Carl Kemner. A Memorial Service to celebrate his life will take place on Friday, December 4, 2009 at the Manchester United Methodist Church with visitation at 10 a.m. until the time of service at 11 a.m. with Pastor Larry Wik officiating. Memorial contributions may be given to the Manchester United Methodist Church Building Fund. Burial of Cremated Remains will be at Sharon Town Hall Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Jenter Chapel, Manchester. Please sign Vernon's guest book at www.borekjennings.com or leave a message of comfort for his family by calling 877-231-7900.



ROBERTSON, BILLY RAY, of North Lake; age 84; passed away Monday, November 23, 2009, at the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was born on August 18, 1925, and had been a resident of North Lake since 1952 when he transferred to the Chrysler Proving Grounds from Highland Park Engineering in Detroit. He retired in 1980 after 30 years with Chrysler. Billy was a member of the Inverness Country Club since 1955, serving on the Board of Governors numerous times and was granted an honorary membership in 1995. He was also active in township government, working on the election board and the Dexter Township Board of Appeals for many years. A member of the American Legion Post in Dexter and the American Vets, Billy served his country in W.W.II as a S.Sgt. in the 305th Bombardier, 365th Squadron of the Army Air Corps and spent nine months as a P.O.W. in Germany. On October 4, 1946, he married Maryanna Huie and she survives; as well as three children, Mark Robertson of Mattawan, MI, Valerie Paladino and Scott Robertson, both of North Lake; five grandchildren, Ryan, Chad, Rebecca, Corey and Amanda; three great grandchildren, Alexis, London and Braylin; and two sisters, Nancy Simpson of Clarkston and Jimmie Bailey of Montgomery, AL. A Memorial Service was held Saturday, November 28, 2009, at 11 a.m. from the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home with Rev. Alice Sheffield officiating. Private burial took place at North Lake Cemetery. The family received friends at the funeral home on Saturday from 10 a.m. until the hour of service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Dexter American Legion Post 557 or the North Lake United Methodist Church.

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HARVEY, WAYNE C.; of Grass Lake, MI; age 90; died Tuesday, December 1, 2009, surrounded by family at his home. Born December 27, 1918, the son of Herbert and Martha (Muschbach) Harvey, he was a lifelong resident of Waterloo Township and in recent years, Grass Lake Township. He is survived by his wife, Marlene; his children, Rev. David Harvey of Fenton, Lynn (Mary) Harvey of Holt and Barbara (Dale) Robinson of Grass Lake; his daughters-in-law, Virginia of Ann Arbor and Holly of Jackson; his step-children, Paul (Paula) Sohaney of Crown Point, IN, Michael (Margie) Sohaney of Lowell, IN, Julianne (Matt) Huffman of Sacramento, CA, and Patrick Sohaney of Hebron, IN; 10 grandchildren; 13 step-grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; two step-great grandchildren; four sisters-in-law, Virginia Harvey of Fraser, Ruth Heim of Nokomis, FL, Marilyn (Paul) Daoust of Chelsea and Mary Regan of Sterling, IL; one step-brother-in-law, Tim (Laurie) Regan of Sterling, IL; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Helen (Heim) Harvey, in 2000; his sons, Richard and Lee, in 1986; and his step-son, Daniel Sohaney, in 2007. Born and raised on the family dairy farm on Harvey Road in Waterloo Township, he graduated from Chelsea High School in 1935 and assumed responsibility for the family farm. He served as Waterloo Township Supervisor and on the Jackson County Board of Supervisors. He also worked as Assistant County Equalization Director for Jackson County and later as Assessor for Leoni Township (Jackson County). He was a longtime member of the Washtenaw County Farm Bureau and a volunteer for the American Red Cross. He belonged to St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea, where he was a member of the choir and served both on the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council. He was a member of the Mt. Olivet Cemetery Board and was Third Degree member of the Knights of Columbus Council 3092. In 1999 he was honored for his service to the church by Bishop Carl Mengeling, who presented him the "Benemerenti" Award from Pope Paul II. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, December 5, 2009, at 11 a.m. from St. Mary Catholic Church, 14200 East Old US-12, Chelsea, with Rev. David Harvey and Rev. Dr. William J. Turner officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Friday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. with a Vigil service at 7:30 p.m. and also on Saturday at the church from 10 a.m. until the hour of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Arbor Hospice Foundation, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 or the St. Mary Catholic Church Building Fund.

Red Cross hosts events focusing on war, humanity

The Washtenaw County Chapter of the American Red Cross is partnering with the Ann Arbor Art Center to present an international photography exhibit, "Our World at War: Photojournalism Beyond the Front Lines," which opens Dec. 4 and runs through Jan. 3 at the Art Center.

As part of this same humanity-themed initiative called "Expressions of Humanity," lectures and presentations will continue at various venues, including University of Michigan Union and Washtenaw Community College through the first half of December.

These events and presentations, which explore humanitarian issues at home and around the world, are made possible through funding from The International Committee of the Red Cross, The National American Red Cross, and from in-kind support from local partners and volunteers.

The international photography exhibit, "Our World at War: Photojournalism Beyond the Front Lines," will be presented at the Ann Arbor Art Center through Jan. 3.

The International Committee of the Red Cross sent five award-winning photojournalists, James Nachtwey, Ron Haviv, Chris Morris, Franco Pagetti and Antonin Kratochvil, to eight countries, where

Schedule of events

Fleeing Violence, Seeking Asylum: A lecture presentation by visiting professor and Director of Program in Refugee and Asylum Law at the University of Michigan, Penelope Mathew, as well as a former refugee from Myanmar and Mkwuwa UNHCR refugee camps, Dorothy Sewe. At the Washtenaw Community College, Dec. 6 (4-8 p.m.). Free.

Childhood Denied Child Soldiers: A lecture presentation by Bridgetta Carr, a professor and director of the Human Trafficking Clinic at the University of Michigan Law School, and Jimmie Briggs the Ambassador and special Envoy for Children and Armed Conflict by WAFUNIF at the United Nations. At the University of Michigan Union, Wolverine Room, Dec. 8 (3-5 p.m.). Free.

Building New Lives - Refugees in Washtenaw County: A lecture presentation led by Jewish Family Services to hear first-person accounts from refugees of the Iraq war. At the Ann Arbor Art Center, Dec. 10 (7-9 p.m.). Free.

Expressions of Humanity: Youth Art Display at Chelsea and Saline Libraries. Through Dec. 13 Free.

International Humanitarian Law Course: A class at the Washtenaw County American Red Cross, ABC, Dec. 14 (6-10 p.m.). Free.

For further information, call Ashley Cieslinski or Sandra Andrade at the Washtenaw County American Red Cross at 971-5300, or check the chapter's Web site at www.wc-red-cross.org.

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In addition to the exhibit there is an event series guided by experts to examine humanitarian issues and the principles

of Humanity, Impartiality, Neutrality and Universality at the core of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement.

Rooney tosses hat into 7th District ring

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

Iraqi war veteran and constitutional attorney Brian Rooney has joined the field of candidates in the 2010 Republican primary election for Michigan's 7th Congressional District in the U.S. House.

Rooney, the brother of 2008-elected Florida District 16 Congressman Tom Rooney, says his focus is on beating "career politicians," specifically Tipton-based former Rep. Tim Walberg for the primary and sitting Democratic Representative Mark Schauer of Battle Creek in the general.

Rooney also will have to face off against Manchester business owner Marvin Carlson and Michigan Realtors Association CEO Bill Martin, both of whom he dismissed as serious challengers.

"Some of the other candidates ... there are just some Republicans that are never going to vote for one of them."

Rooney says that politics were not on his mind when he moved to Michigan. He is originally from Pennsylvania and has moved all over the country — to Western Massachusetts to attend Williams College, the Sunshine State for Florida State law school and then at various military bases in several states before deployment to Iraq.

Before coming to Dexter, Rooney lived in Canton to move his wife and three children into a larger house, he said. He now works at the Thomas Moore Law Center in Ann Arbor, after seeing that firm's involvement in a high-profile battle with the ACLU over the Mount Soledad memorial cross in La Jolla, Calif.

"San Diegans voted three different times to keep the cross where it was by 85 percent of the vote each time ... one atheist in the ACLU got a federal judge to order it torn down," Rooney said. "It was a constitutional argument and I've always been interested in constitutional law. It's my favorite and best subject."

Rooney is currently winding down his cases so he can run for election full-time. One of his cases involves a Westland woman charged with trespassing at an abortion clinic, where she was praying, according to Rooney.

"She had a trial and the judge found her not guilty, but then found her guilty of another completely different charge that she wasn't charged with (initially)," Rooney said. "It's something that's kind of unheard of for a judge to do, so we're appealing that case right now."

Rooney cites his three years as a Marine defense attorney and chief prosecutor, and his



A former Marine defense attorney and chief prosecutor, Iraqi war veteran and constitutional attorney Brian Rooney will run in the 2010 primary election for Michigan's 7th Congressional District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

three years as a civil litigator of constitutional law, as well as the fact that he sits on the board of directors for his family's Pittsburgh Steelers as a series of real-world jobs that make him the best candidate to represent the 7th District.

"I'm the only one in the race that has proven leadership skills to be able to bring the Republican Party together in District 7, Rooney said. "The party is fractured, and in order to beat Mark Schauer — and that should be the goal for all Republicans — you need to bring all the Republicans together and vote against Mark."

"I believe that because of my experience in the Marine Corp and what I've done at the Thomas Moore Law Center ... I've been able to bring people together. I've led teams in the Marine Corp to solve conflicts and work toward a mission and accomplish it."

The first issue that Rooney discussed was healthcare reform, which continues to sit on the backburner, seemingly for the rest of the year.

"I have an intimate understanding of the whole healthcare issue ... I have a special-needs child that gives me insight into how the system works in this country," Rooney said. "The Republican bill that was put in wasn't bad, and it was what a Republican bill should be in that it's incremental and fixes the things bullet by bullet that need fixing — like how we need to get rid of the problems we have with preexisting conditions."

Rooney said it can be fixed "without destroying the entire system and building it back up in the image of President Obama," referring to rationing of care and explaining the Republican notion of death panels as being an offshoot of the fear that government

will cut costs by withholding service from people at "the bookends of the spectrum," meaning children and the elderly because of the costs of life-saving procedures and neonatal child care.

He took Schauer to task for not holding town hall meetings in August during the initial height of the public healthcare debate.

"The thing that's crazy is that Mark Schauer refused to have an open town hall meeting when his constituents were most concerned about what this bill was all about," Rooney said. "And (now) he's having town hall meetings to explain to (them) why he voted the way that he did. He didn't want to hear what their opinion was before he voted and now he's going to tell them why he knows best."

Rooney said he would like to see competition opened up by allowing health insurance companies to compete across state lines, despite being against free trade in other areas of the economy, such as the North Atlantic Free Trade

Agreement and agricultural outsourcing.

"Blue Cross Blue Shield has a monopoly of health care in Michigan. That needs to end," Rooney said. "There needs to be competition across state lines so that people can go out and buy the best health insurance they can get, (which) will cause these insurance companies to compete more than they do now."

He speculated that insurance providers would "solve the preexisting condition problem on their own," if the government's consumer protection efforts under Republican legislation didn't come to pass or showed to be ineffective as a result of some unforeseen loophole.

Rooney is also in favor of in-market ideas, such as transferable policies that leave with employees as they go from employer to employer.

On the topic of the state economy, Rooney describes his position as a sort of laissez faire view of the state Legislature.

"My goal is to allow the peo-

ple that are going to be elected in the state Legislature and state governor, which I believe is going to be Republicans this time around, as much freedom as they can possibly have from the federal government to allow them to fix this state and fix unemployment," he said, adding that his political role models that act as the basis for that stance are Ronald Reagan, Margaret Thatcher and Pope John Paul II.

Rooney also said President Obama needs to either decide to send additional troops and resources to Afghanistan or pull them out.

"He has the dream team as far as counterinsurgency is concerned, he asked them for their plan and they gave it to him," Rooney said.

"He's essentially rejecting that plan and substituting his own ideas of what should occur over what the men who have trained their whole lives for this moment (think)."

"My bottom line is you either do what the generals want you to do, or you come home."

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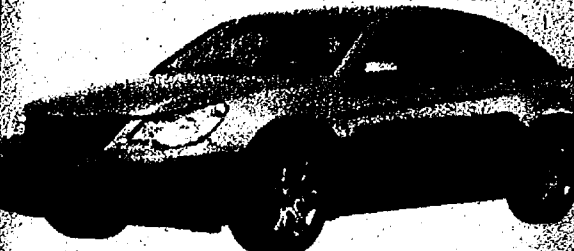
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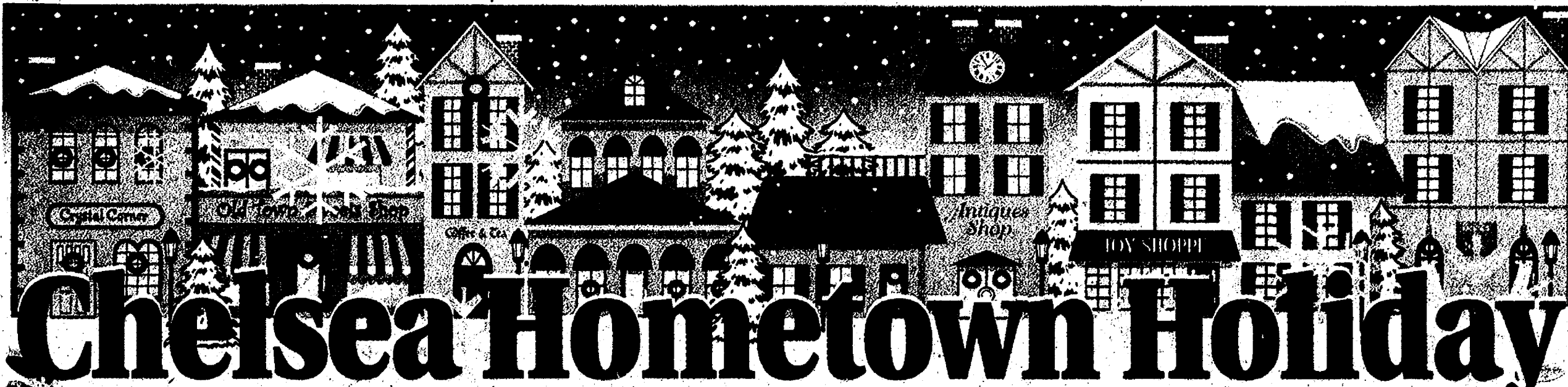
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2009

Time	Location	Event Description
All day	Various Chelsea Merchants	Gingerbread House Displays
9:30 AM - 8:00 PM	The Village Shoppe of Chelsea	"Holiday Open House" with Hot Chocolate and Food Samplings
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Gigi's Flowers	"Feed the Birds"! Make-and-Take Pinecone & Peanut Butter Bird Ornament. Back by popular demand!
10:00 AM - 7:00 PM	Winans Jewelry	"Troll Bead Bracelet Free Raffle" - to celebrate the arrival of Troll Beads® & bracelets (compare to Pandora® & Chameleon® beads), they are raffling a free bracelet! Come in to register!
10:00 AM - 8:00 PM	Vogel's & Fosters	Come see the new "Brighton Concept Store" within their store highlighting jewelry, charms, small leathers & belts, shoes, and Brighton Bags!
10:00 AM - 9:00 PM	The Mission Marketplace	"A Hot & Jazzy Christmas"! Enjoy free fair trade chocolate samplings, organic spicy hot cocoa & mulled cider, jazz-infused holiday music, holiday traditions from around the world, holiday Crèche unveiling, and hot sales on selected items. www.themissionmarketplace.org
12:00 - 5:00 PM	Uptown Antiques	Receive a free ornament with \$10 purchase or an "Angel by Marj Daniels" with \$25 purchase
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	La Jolla Fine Jewelry	Enjoy Cookies and Sparkling Cider
6:00 - 6:30 PM	Pierce Park	"Tree Lighting Ceremony" sponsored by Chelsea Rotary. Santa arrives in the American Legion Vulture 957 Train!
6:00 - 8:00 PM	Main Street in Chelsea	Luminaries - Sponsored by Girl Scouts & Cub Scouts.
6:00 - 8:00 PM	Downtown Chelsea	Carolers will fill the air with Christmas Spirit!
6:30 - 7:30 PM	Palmer Ford	Live Nativity Scene - Bring a "Toys for Tots" gift! "Srsly" will deliver toys to central Chelsea location.
6:30 - 8:30 PM	Chelsea Depot	Visits with Santa! "Santa's Workshop" with children's crafts. Sponsored by Chelsea Children's Co-Op
6:30 - 8:30 PM	Chelsea Depot	Storytelling in the American Legion Vulture 957 Train. Sponsored by Chelsea District Library
6:30 - 8:30 PM	Chelsea Teddy Bear Company	Christmas Cookie Decorating!
7:00 - 7:45 PM	First United Methodist Church	"Hometown Holidays Concert" presented by Chelsea High School Chamber Choir
7:00 - 8:00 PM	Chelsea District Library	"Common Chords" - bell choir
7:00 - 10:00 PM	Zou Zou's Café	Free Live Musical Entertainment - "Mike Beattie"
7:00 - 11:00 PM	Clocktower Building	Alzheimer's Association presents a "Holiday Garage Sale" featuring crafts, direct sales, and garage sale items. For more information, please contact Kim at 734-475-7043 or kim.covert@alz.org .
7:00 PM	Chelsea High School Auditorium	***"Nutcracker Ballet" presented by the Youth Dance Theatre of Michigan. Please see www.youthdancetheatre.org for more information.
7:30 PM	Beach Middle School	***"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" - Chelsea Area Players presents this favorite family comedy! Tickets are \$5 - available at Chelsea Pharmacy, by calling 800-838-8006, online at www.chelseareaplayers.org , and at the door.

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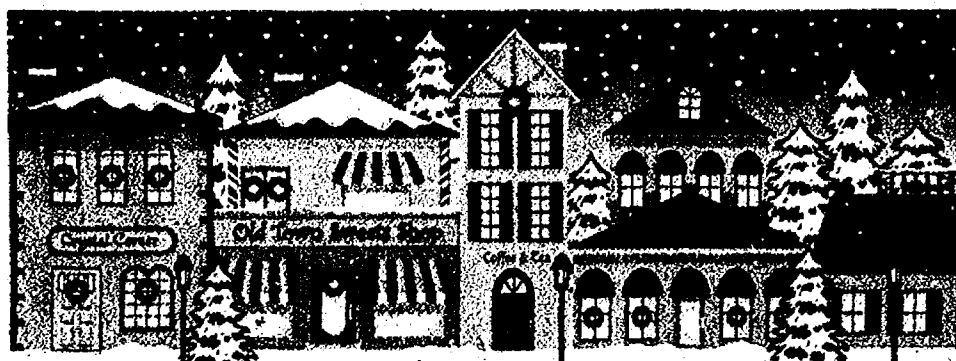
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009

Time	Location	Event Description
All day	Various Chelsea Merchants	Gingerbread House Displays
8:30 - 10:30 AM	Chelsea Comfort Inn & Village Conference Center	"Breakfast with Santa"! Visit with Santa includes complimentary pancakes & cereal for kids, coffee & donuts for parents! BRING YOUR CAMERA! Event sponsored by Huron River Financial, a division of Detroit Edison Credit Union.
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Chelsea State Bank	"Holiday Greens Sale" sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 425 featuring wreaths, swags, roping, and other specialty holiday greens.
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Clocktower Building	Alzheimer's Association presents a "Holiday Garage Sale" featuring crafts, direct sales, and garage sale items. For more information, please contact Kim at 734-475-7043 or kim.covert@alz.org.
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Chelsea Village Hardware	"Holiday Spectacular"! Special of the day - 20% off knives
9:30 AM - 8:00 PM	The Village Shoppe of Chelsea	"Holiday Open House" with Hot Chocolate and Food Samplings
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Gigi's Flowers	"Feed the Birds"! Make-and-Take Pinecone & Peanut Butter Bird Ornament. Back by popular demand!
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Chelsea Fairgrounds - Service Building	"All the Trimmings" Holiday Art Show - Local Artisans show featuring soaps, woodcarving, jewelry, rug hooking, fiberarts, photography, bags, folkpainting, cross-stitch, honey, and more. Refreshments will be served. Free admission, free parking.
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Waterloo Farm Museum	**"Christmas on the Farm" - This re-creation of the holiday's traditions include tours of the farmhouse, adorned in decorations from the period, and the Dewey School Museum. Hand-crafted greens, homemade baked goods, and gift items will be available for purchase. Refreshments & live music on hand. Admission: \$4 adults, \$3 seniors, \$2 children (5-17). www.waterloofarmmuseum.org .
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	La Jolla Fine Jewelry	Enjoy Cookies and Sparkling Cider
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10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Pierce's Pastries Plus	Music by Golden Griffon Stringtet
11:00 AM, 1 & 3 PM	The Chelsea Teddy Bear Company	Free Factory Tours
12:00 - 3:00 PM	Chelsea Center for the Arts	"Snowflake Saturday"! Workshop activities for families: fused glass, card making, & cookie decorating. For more information, please go to www.chelseacenterforthearts.org .
12:00 - 5:00 PM	Uptown Antiques	Receive a free ornament with \$10 purchase or an "Angel by Marj Daniels" with \$25 purchase
1:00 - 3:00 PM	Chelsea Center for the Arts	Visit with Santa!
1:00 - 3:00 PM	River Gallery	"Father Christmas" Art Exhibit and Reception. An exhibition of finely crafted "Father Christmas" sculptures made from vintage fabrics, toys, and accents. A Reception to meet Artist, John Mitchell, and view his holiday art. (Exhibit runs 12/3 - 12/31).
1:00 - 4:00 PM	Chelsea Teddy Bear Company	Ken Yenke, Museum Curator, will offer free appraisals of toys and bears! Visit the Toy Museum and learn the history of teddy bears and see some of the rarest toys and teddy bears in the world!
2:00 - 3:30 PM	Chelsea District Library	"Gingerbread House Workshop", only 48 places available - please call the Library to reserve one (475-8732, ext. 4)
2:00 PM	Beach Middle School	**"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" - Chelsea Area Players presents this favorite family comedy! Tickets are \$5 - available at Chelsea Pharmacy, by calling 800-838-8006, online at www.chelseaareaplayers.org , and at the door.
2:00 & 7:00 PM	Chelsea High School Auditorium	**"Nutcracker Ballet" presented by the Youth Dance Theatre of Michigan. A "Sugar Plum Tea" will be held prior to the matinee at 12:30 PM. Please see www.youthdancetheatre.org for more information.
3:00 PM	Chelsea Center for the Arts	"Michigan Pops Concert" - for more information, please contact www.chelseacenterforthearts.org .
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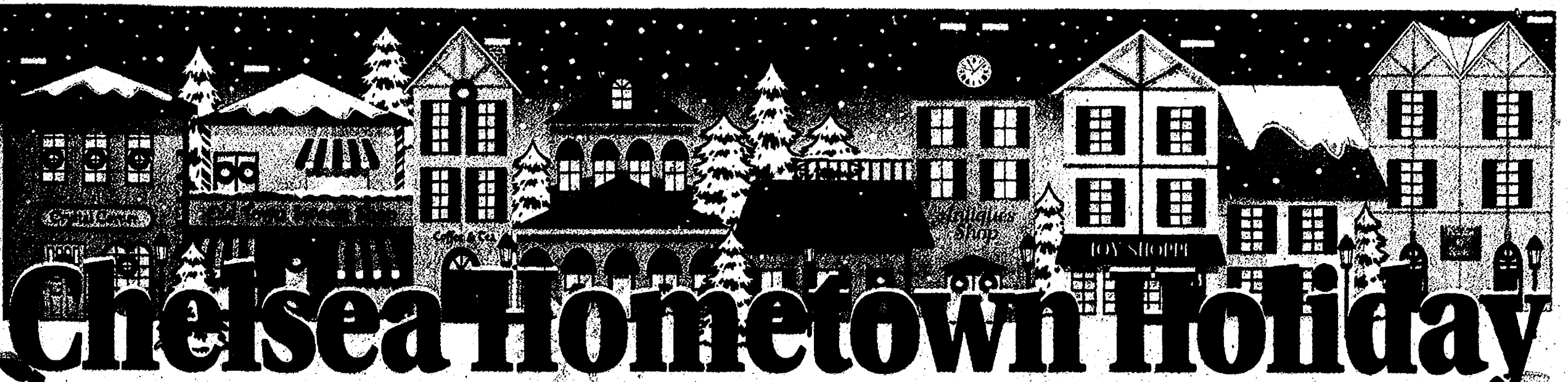
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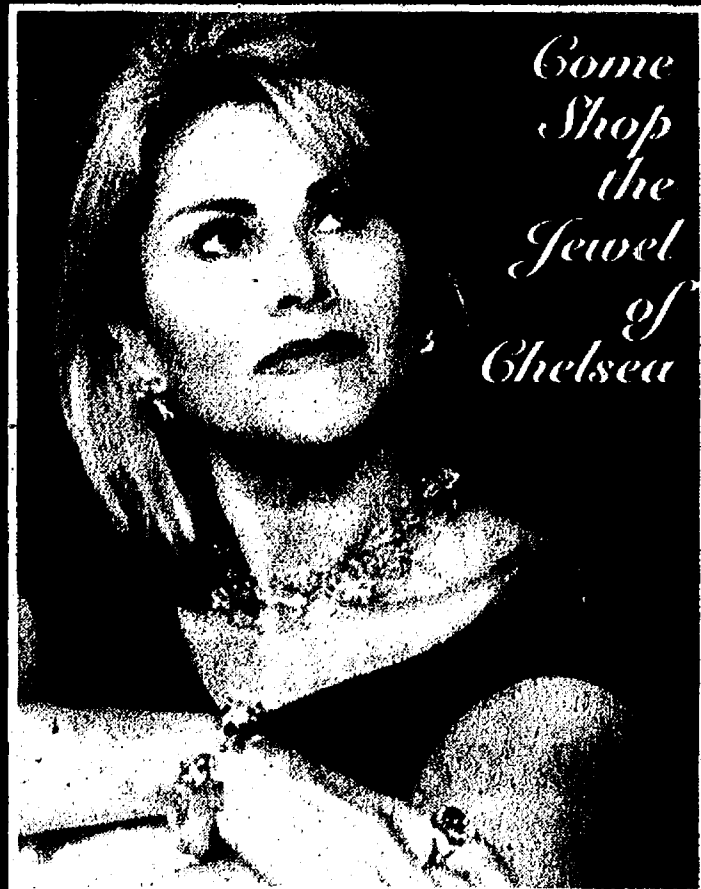
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2009

Time	Location	Event Description
All day 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Various Chelsea Merchants Waterloo Farm Museum	Gingerbread House Displays ***"Christmas on the Farm" - This re-creation of the holiday's traditions include tours of the farmhouse, adorned in decorations from the period, and the Dewey School Museum. Hand-crafted greens, homemade baked goods, and gift items will be available for purchase. Refreshments & live music on hand. Admission: \$4 adults, \$3 seniors, \$2 children (5-17). www.waterloofarmmuseum.org . ***"Holiday Buffet with Santa" - Reservations are recommended. Please call 734-433-8000 for reservations and additional information.
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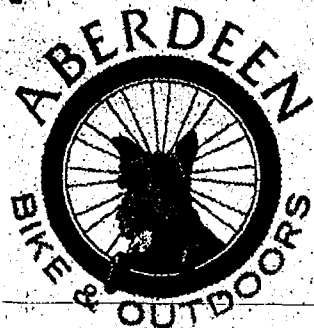
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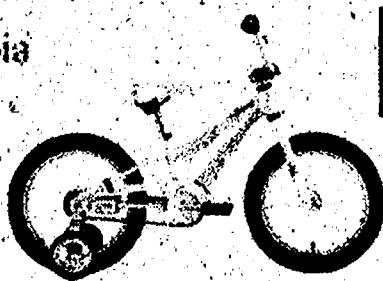
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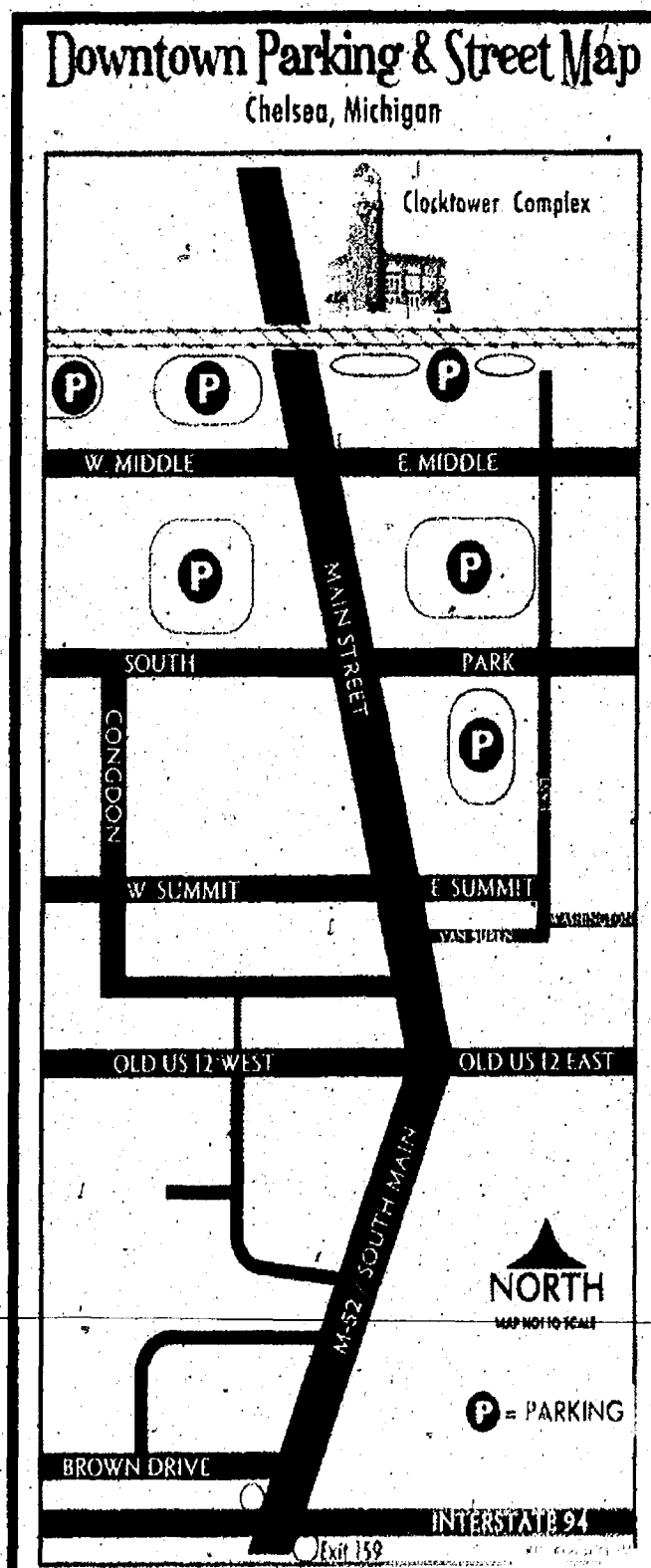
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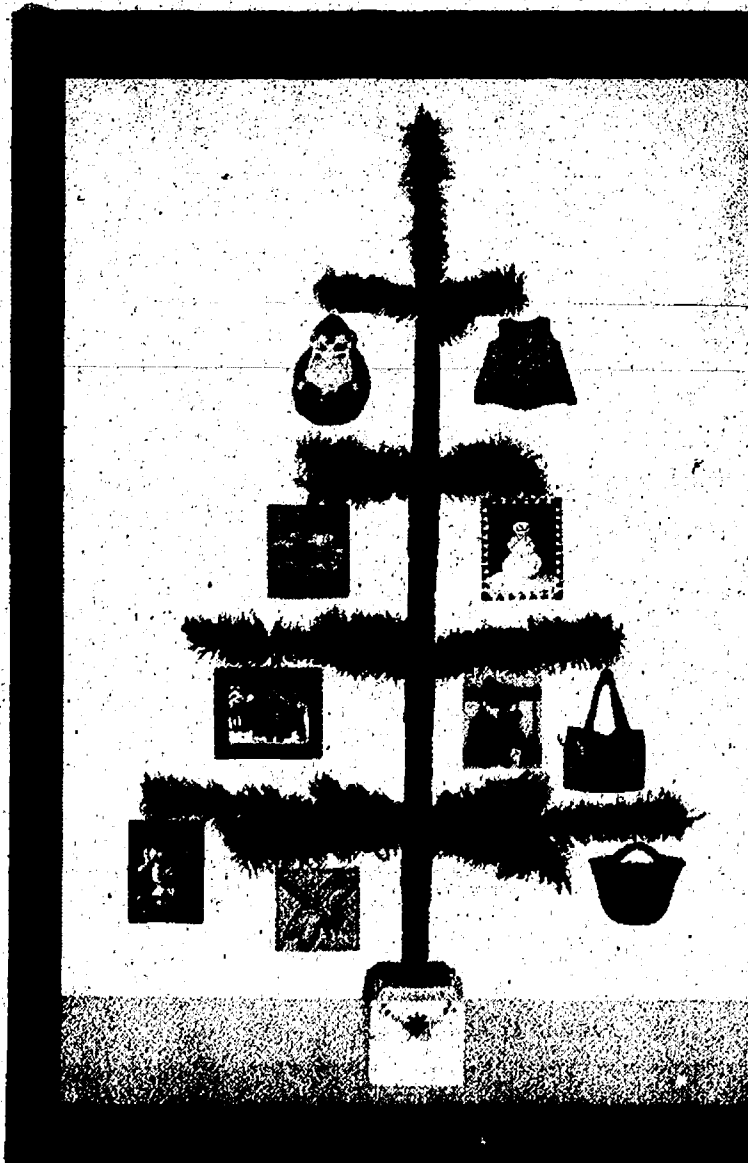
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Chelsea Scouts show their 'faith'

The Chelsea Girl Scouts held a food drive for Faith in Action on Nov. 7 at Polly's Country Market. They handed out shopping lists to customers as they arrived at the grocery store, then sorted and packed up what customer's purchased for the effort as shoppers left the store. Faith in Action has two locations. One location is 603 S. Main St., Chelsea, which opened in 1990; a second location is 2716 Baker Road in Dexter, which opened this year.



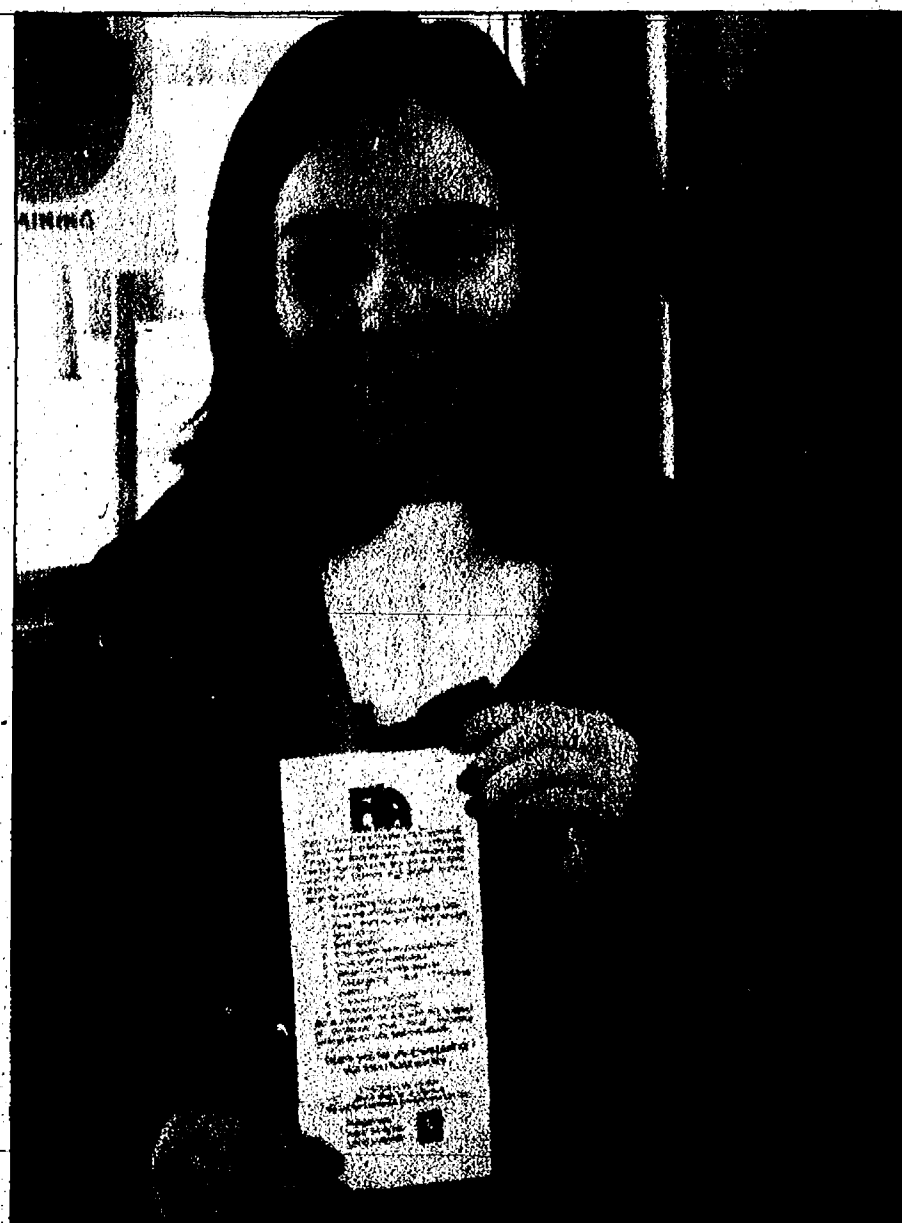
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From left Megan Heydlauff, 12 and Alyssa Gray, 10, sort through donated food purchased at Polly's Country Market in Chelsea.



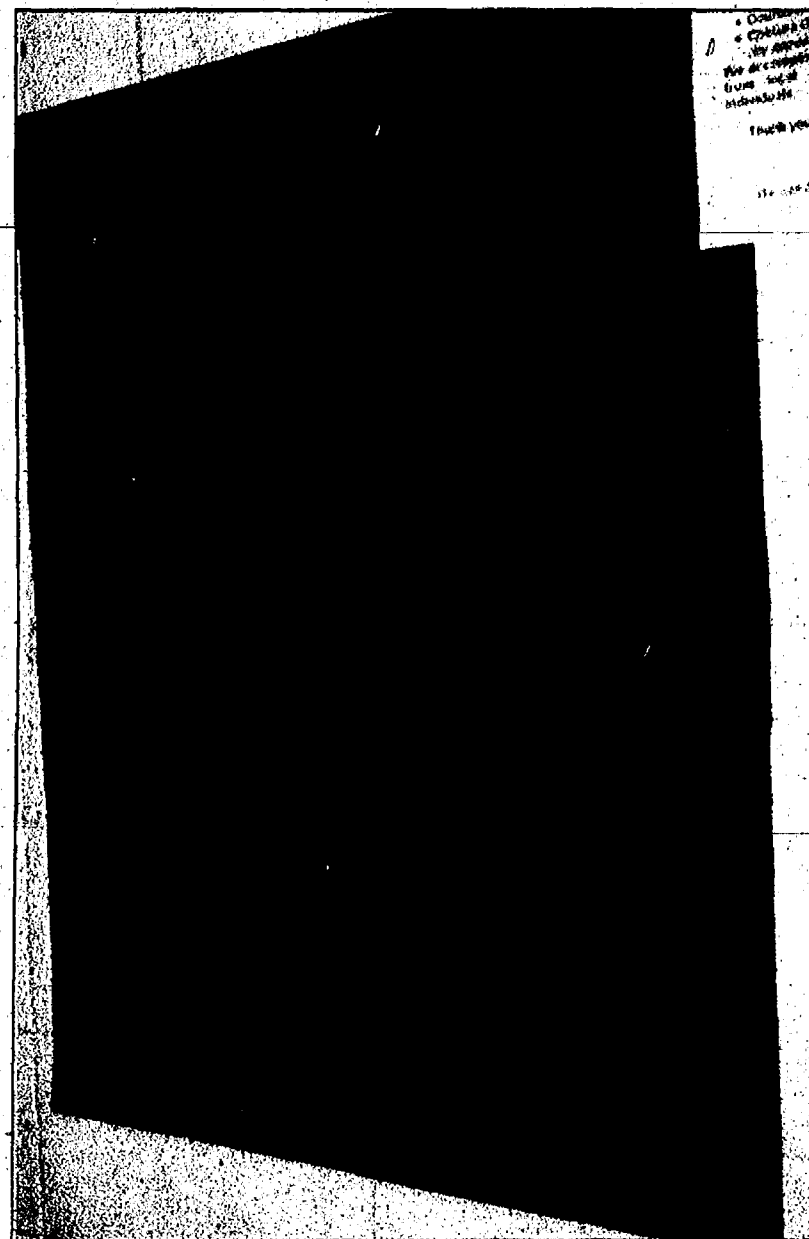
From left Fallon Mosier, 12, Tricia Burke, Vlada Cashman, 13, and Rachel Hasting, 12, greet customers to Polly's Country Market in Chelsea on Nov. 7.



Rachel Hasting and a food drive sign.



Fallon Mosier, 12, holds one of shopping lists that were handed out to participants during a Scouting for Food drive to benefit Faith in Action.



A handmade sign for the Chelsea Girl Scout's food drive for Faith in Action.



From left Shayla Chebbi, 11, Megan Heydlauff, 12, and Alyssa Gray, 10, all of Chelsea take inventory of the food that was collected for a Faith in Action food Drive on Nov. 7.




Vlada Cashman, 13, greets customers with a sign urging them to participate in a food drive for Faith in Action.




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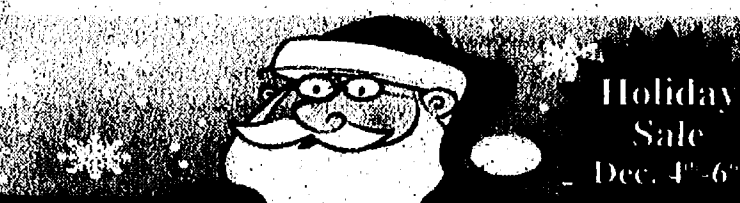


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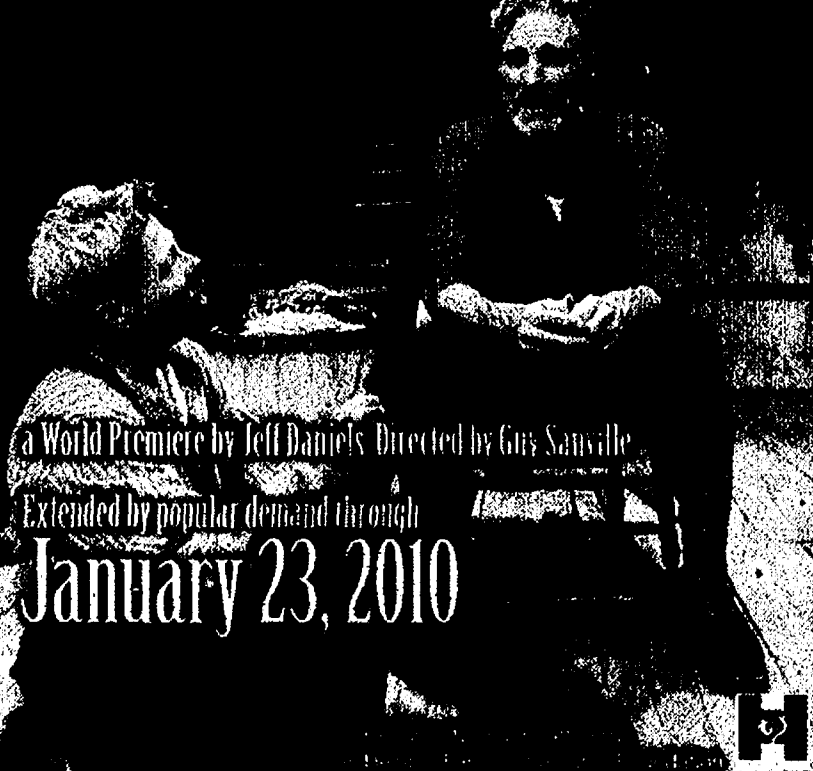
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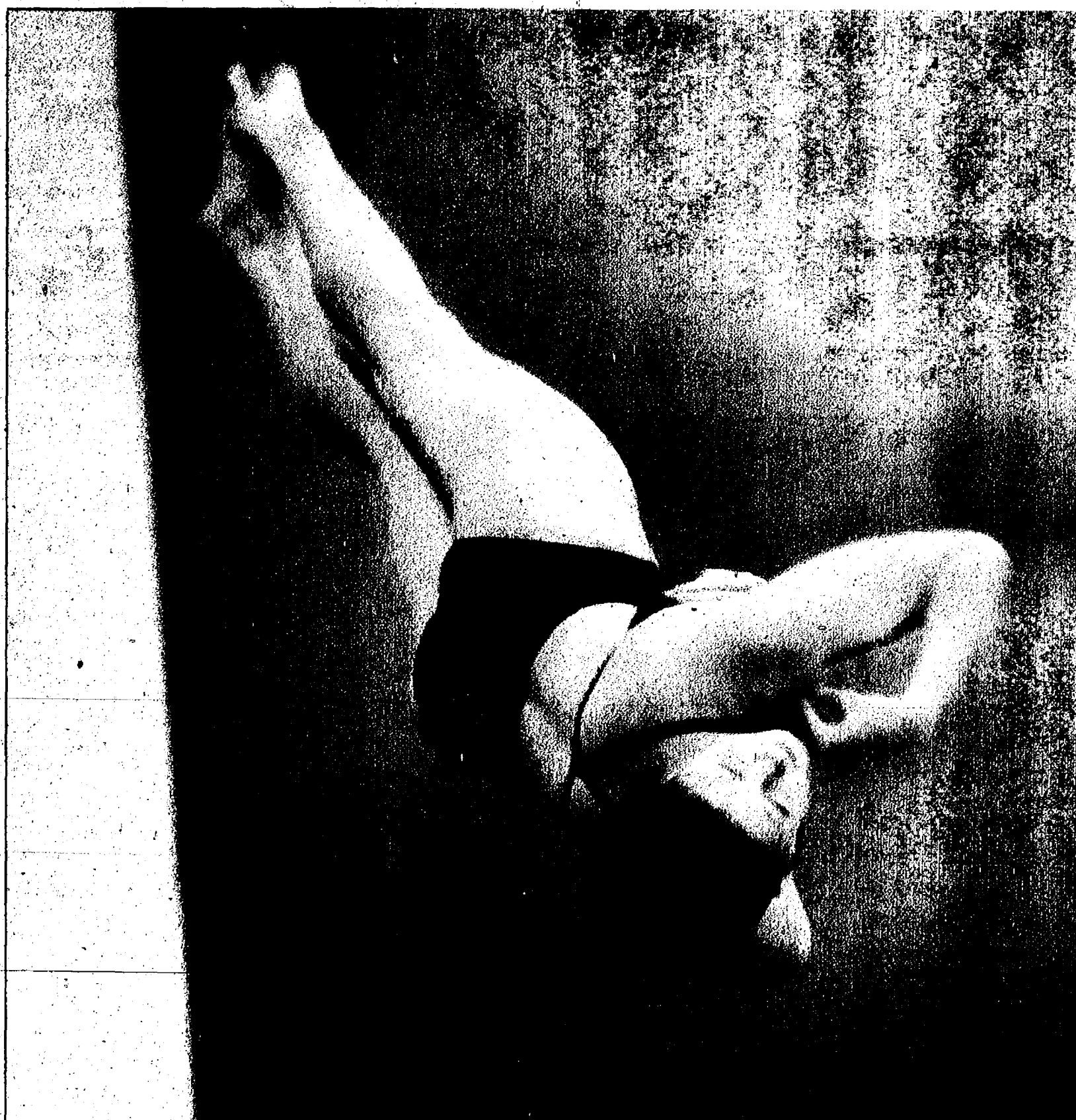
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Chelsea's Lauren Dark finished third in the state in the one-meter diving competition at the Division 3 state meet Nov. 20 through 21 at Eastern Michigan University.

Chelsea takes eighth

Bulldogs test their skills at state meet

By Don Richter
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Chelsea's girls' swimming and diving team participated in the Division 3 state meet at Eastern Michigan University Nov. 20 through 21.

The Bulldogs ended up with 114 points. It was the second straight year Chelsea placed eighth. Last season, the Bulldogs recorded 103 points.

Winning the Division state championship was East Grand Rapids with a score of 416 points.

Rounding out the state's top five were Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood in second place with 234 points, followed by Ann Arbor Skyline in third place with 212 points, Alma fourth with 184 points and Bloomfield Hills Lahser fifth with 131 points.

Locally, Milan finished seventh with 128 points, while Tecumseh placed 11th with 74 points and Adrian 35th with two points.

Individually for Chelsea, senior Michelle Kellogg finished sixth in the state in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:15.43. Winning the state title was Bronte Stewart of Sturgis with a clocking of 2:09.67.

In the 100 breaststroke, Kellogg placed sixth in 1:09.53. Capturing the state championship in the event was Lexie Beemer of Ann Arbor Skyline with a time of 1:05.71.

Chelsea's Hannah Olsen finished fifth in the state in the 50 freestyle with a clocking of 24.86. Earning first place and a state title in the race was Jayme Groth of Bloomfield Hills Andover in 23.93.

Olsen touched 11th in the 100 freestyle in 55.08. Groth won the event in 52.18.

The Bulldogs' highest finisher at the state meet was Lauren Dark who placed third in the one-meter diving com-



Bulldog Michelle Kellogg finished sixth in the state in both the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke at the Division 3 state meet at Eastern Michigan University.



Lauren Dark, center, stands on the podium after placing third in the state in diving.

petition. Dark's final dive total was 410.70 points. Winning the state championship in the diving event was Randi Brown

of East Grand Rapids with a Division 3 state record total of 494.35 points. In the relay events, Chelsea's

200 freestyle relay finished fifth overall with a time of 1:41.40. Milan was first in the state with a 1:39.67.

In the 400 freestyle relay, the Bulldogs placed seventh in 3:45.22. Winning the race and a state title in the event was Cranbrook with a clocking of 3:38.45.

In the past three years, Chelsea has finished in the state's top 10. Besides this year and last season, the Bulldogs placed ninth in 2007 with 91 points.

In 2006, Chelsea ended up 15th with 45 points, while in 2005 the Bulldogs were 14th with 76 points.

In the Division 2 state final, local rival Dexter placed eighth with 134 points. Like the Bulldogs, the Dreadnaughts were also eighth at last year's state meet.

Winning the Division 2 state title for the third consecutive season was Farmington Hills Mercy with 292 points.

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Bulldog icers open season

Chelsea skates to tie against Grosse Ile

HOCKEY

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Chelsea hockey opened its season tying host Grosse Ile 4-4 Nov. 21 in a game played at the Kennedy Ice Arena in Trenton.

The Red Devils began the scoring as Josh Shoup hit the back of the net on a power play goal at 10:51 of the first period.

Thirty-seven seconds into the second period, sophomore Brad Hepler scored tying the game at 1-1. Picking up an assist on the play for the Bulldogs (0-0-1) were senior Dan Hudson and junior Luke Heinen.

"We were able to jump on them, create pressure, get a rebound and score," said Chelsea coach Don Wright of the Bulldogs' opening goal.

At 6:24 of the second period, sophomore Kyle Whipple scored unassisted giving Chelsea a 2-1 lead.

"We were able to create a turnover," Wright said. "Then Kyle came down and took a slap shot which sailed over the (goalie's) glove hand."

One minute later, Hepler scored his second goal of the night vaulting the Bulldogs ahead 3-1. Sophomore Anthony Catalina and Heinen recorded an assist on the play for Chelsea.

"Brad was able to break down the left side and beat the goaltender," Wright said of Hepler's second goal.

Grosse Ile battled back, scoring at the end of the second period as D.J. Hastings turned the light on.

"The shot hit a few people and deflected into the net," Wright said. "They scored just before the buzzer sounded."

Forty-two seconds into the third period, Gordie Howey scored for the Red Devils tying the contest at 3-3.

Sophomore Austin Sullens scored at 1:56 of the third period off an assist from sophomore Joe Hewitt. With the goal, the Bulldogs regained the lead at 4-3.

With just five minutes left in regulation, Grosse Ile's Justin Keenan scored for the night's final 4-4 tally.

Despite an eight-minute overtime, neither team was able to break the deadlock.

The Red Devils out-shot the Bulldogs 32-28 for the game.

Preserving the tie in net for Chelsea was senior net minder Matt Darr.

"We had four penalties in the third period," Wright said. "We didn't want to do that. Penalties definitely hurt us in the third period."

Wright said the Bulldogs would learn from their opening game mistakes and get better.

"I liked how we responded after falling behind," he said. "All in all, I saw a lot of good things. But, we still have a lot of areas to work on."

Chelsea next hosts county rival Dexter 7 p.m. Saturday at the Arctic Coliseum.

On Wednesday, the Bulldogs host Temperance Bedford at 6:30 p.m.

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Chelsea senior goaltender Matt Darr helped preserve the Bulldogs' 4-4 tie with Grosse Ile to open the season Nov. 21.

Beach cagers take win at the buzzer

By Don Richter
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Chelsea's Beach Middle School eighth-grade Gold boys' basketball team defeated Saline 18-16 Nov. 19.

Bulldog Tim Mantel drained a 3-pointer at the buzzer giving Beach the thrilling victory.

Scott Crews and Mantel each scored eight points to lead Chelsea.

Matt Caffrey, Aidan Fahle and Ryan Hilbert each added two points.

Also playing well for the Bulldogs were Ethan Whitaker, Tyler Staeltgraave and Bailey Weatherwax.

On Nov. 17, Beach lost to host Monroe 17-16.

Crews paced Chelsea with seven points. Fahle chipped in six points

BASKETBALL

for the Bulldogs.

Also playing well for Beach were Taylor Waggoner, Josh Bach, Caffrey, Hilbert, Weatherwax and Mantel.

On Nov. 12, host Beach defeated Tecumseh 18-14 in its home opener.

Crews led Chelsea with 12 points.

"The team did a great job on defense in the second half," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris.

On Nov. 10, the visiting Bulldogs opened their season losing to rival Dexter 17-14.

Playing well for Beach were Crews, Fahle, Caffrey, Mantel and Weatherwax.

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Feeding wild animals can be both good and bad

Human beings have always interacted with wildlife. Mankind has served as both predator and prey over the millennia. But today, much of the human interaction with animals is of a third-party nature: as observers.

One popular means of interacting with wildlife today is through feeding. But feeding animals is part of a multi-variable equation that not everyone fully understands.

"Feeding wildlife has both good and bad aspects," said Mike Bailey, a wildlife management supervisor with the Department of Natural Resources. "The good aspects are largely social; it allows people to see wildlife, both game and nongame. Recreational viewing is important. It gets people interested in wildlife and it's important that we have people interacting with wildlife in a positive way."

"But there are negatives associated with feeding wildlife, too," Bailey continued. "It makes disease transmission easier. Bringing animals close together increases disease transmission."

Certainly, large-scale deer-feeding operations in the "club country" of the northern Lower Peninsula are a big part of what caused tuberculosis to become endemic in the herd. By concentrating large numbers of deer in small areas, TB was more easily contracted by individuals and then spread more widely with seasonal disbursement.

Last year, the discovery of chronic wasting disease in a privately owned deer in southwest Michigan caused the Natural Resources Commission to ban feeding deer and elk in the Lower Peninsula.

Supplemental feeding of deer in the winter is allowed in the Upper Peninsula, but it is strictly controlled. Supplemental deer feeding operations must obtain permits from the DNR and they must locate their feed sites away from areas where they can cause other problems. Deer may not be fed in areas where they would have access to livestock or near major roadways.

There are other issues as well. Feeding wildlife often disrupts their natural behavior. Deer, for instance, that are artificially fed in the northern reaches of Michigan may linger too long in habitat that will not support them in winter. If those deer do not make it to appropriate winter cover by the time deep snow arrives, they become



Until the DNR adopted stricter rules regarding the supplemental feeding of deer in the Upper Peninsula in 2000, many well-meaning people often provided deer with vegetables and other foods of questionable nutritive value, assuming that "every little bit helped."



Black bears have huge appetites and will travel great distances to find food. When natural foods are scarce, bears are more likely to come into contact with people. Problems occur when bears attempt to feed on human foods, garbage, compost, pet foods or birdseed.

vulnerable to extreme weather and/or starvation.

Concentrating inordinate numbers of deer also causes habitat destruction as deer over-browse the habitat, making it unable to support the population. Overpopulation can cause large-scale starvation, worsening what already is a natural process of population control.

"Wildlife sometimes can become a nuisance, too," Bailey said. "People start feeding turkeys and enjoy seeing them, but then they get more and more turkeys that become acclimated

to feed to the point that they can't afford to keep feeding them. And the birds become reluctant to leave, sometimes even roosting on rooftops."

The most popular wildlife feeding practice is feeding song birds. It is a popular hobby involving nearly everyone from isolated rural residents to big-city apartment dwellers. And it supports a big industry. But is it a good idea?

"Birds survived before we ever started feeding them," said Karen Cleveland, the DNR's all bird biologist. "Even in winter, feeding birds is much more for

the benefit of humans than it is for the birds."

As Cleveland points out, bird feeders concentrate the creatures in small areas.

"Disease issues are always with us," she said. "Salmonella pops up every winter."

"That's not all. Congregating birds makes them more susceptible to predation, to everything from raptors to house cats."

"I get calls from people who complain there's a hawk preying on birds at their feeder," Cleveland said. "Well, they're feeding another bird."

People often place feeders

immediately outside their windows so the feeders can be easily seen. Unfortunately, Cleveland said, if those birds are startled, they often will plow right into the window killing themselves in the process. Folks who feed birds should place their feeders far enough away from the house to prevent these accidents.

And bird feeders attract other creatures - often raccoons or squirrels - in inordinate numbers, too, leading to disease problems (such as mange) among the mammals or nuisance problems when the

animals take up residence in garages or attics.

A more holistic approach, Cleveland said, is to incorporate bird feeding into the landscaping. Planting fruit-bearing trees and shrubs, for instance, would help prevent the birds from congregating in unnatural ways and also would help eliminate the problem of attracting raccoons and squirrels.

Biologically, feeding birds is unnecessary, even in winter, Cleveland said. Birds that remain in the North all winter are adapted to the landscape and migratory species confronted by bad weather can simply head south.

One creature humans should never feed is bears.

"There's a greater potential for bears to become dangerous if they associate people with food," explained Adam Bump, the DNR's bear specialist. "In fact, when dealing with nuisance bears, one of the first things we tell people to do is remove all food sources - including bird feeders - for at least two weeks."

As large, powerful animals, bears are capable of causing physical harm to both people and property. Cabin owners who feed bears sometimes return to their property after an absence to find windows or doors damaged by bears that are used to feeding at the cabin and are looking for food.

"The last thing you want to do is attract bears close to yourself," Bump said. "Just don't do it."

In northern Michigan, feeding wild turkeys in winter has become popular in recent years. During prolonged periods of severe weather, it can make the difference between survival and starvation for individual birds. However, increasing natural food sources, through habitat manipulation, is a preferable practice for sustaining turkey populations.

People who feed turkeys are reminded that they are required to make any feed provided for the birds inaccessible to deer. Fencing or elevated feeding platforms may help, but people who are feeding turkeys must remember they ultimately are responsible to keep deer out of the feed.

Overall, feeding wildlife is unnecessary. Most animals have adapted to habitats over centuries of evolution. And though you may enjoy feeding animals and observing them, when it comes to the animals' welfare, feeding them often does more harm than good.

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Chelsea's Mitchell creates handcrafted Father Christmas figures for exhibit

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Chelsea artist John Mitchell Sr. captures the spirit of the season with his handcrafted figures of Saint Nicholas, the fifth-century bishop of Myra whose feast day is celebrated Dec. 6.

The saintly bishop was the original inspiration for the legend of Santa Claus/Father Christmas and his feast day was – and still is – celebrated as Christmas in many parts of the world.

"My works are interpretations of this beloved saint," Mitchell says. "Using vintage fabrics, toys and accents, I believe my figures convey the warm and generous spirit of this wonderful man and our Christmas season."

Mitchell's figures will be on display from Friday – the start of Chelsea's Hometown Holidays – through Jan. 9 at River Gallery, 120 S. Main Street in Chelsea.

Two receptions are planned, from 1 to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

The former owner of Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea and the Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home in Stockbridge, Mitchell started creating the Father Christmas figures after undergoing open-heart surgery in December 1993.

"While recuperating, I needed something to do, and started creating these for family and friends, and to donate to charity auctions," he says.

"Up until three years ago, I didn't make them to sell – then I made some for a Fall Holiday Show in Boca Grande and they sold out, and that kicked off some commission sales for me."

The Father Christmas figures, ranging in height from 13 to 42 inches, have bisque heads created by a sculptor in St. Louis.

"I used to sculpt them myself,

Handcrafted Father Christmas figures

Who: Chelsea artist John W. Mitchell Sr.

What: Exhibit of handcrafted Father Christmas/Saint Nicholas figures

Where: River Gallery, 120 S. Main Street, Chelsea

When: Dec. 4 to Jan. 9

Opening reception: 1 to 3 p.m., Friday, and 1 to 3 p.m., Saturday during Chelsea's Hometown Holidays

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but I think these heads look better," Mitchell says. "I paint them after they're fired."

The figures are dressed in antique furs and fabrics.

"They're an awful lot of fun to make, and finding and selecting fabrics is exciting," he says. "We stop at antique shops to hunt for fabrics. The hardest part is finding fabrics and lace in scale to the figures."

Mitchell, whose family has put down deep roots in Chelsea, is well known as a local artist. He created the artwork for the Timber Town playground fund-raising T-shirts, and his artwork has graced the Chelsea SummerFest brochure – a piece he then donated for auction at the CCA annual Autumn Jubilee fund-raiser.

Art has been in his blood since boyhood, when he enjoyed drawing and using watercolors in combination with ink. As a boy in Okemos, he won several youth talent events.

He studied at the Cincinnati Art Institute and has a minor in design and stage design from Western Michigan University. In college, he had two one-man shows of abstract paintings at the student union.



After graduating from mortuary college, work, marriage and family were foremost, but he still found time to take paper and brushes on vacation.

He has studied under several artists, including the late Alex Anderson from Englewood, Fla., an expert in landscapes who worked in acrylic.

In May 2007, Mitchell was awarded the position of Exhibiting Member of the Boca Grande Art Alliance in Boca Grande, Fla., a group of artists who winter on the island and paint independently but come together to do three shows during the winter season.

An associate member of the Oil Painters of America, he also has studied under

internationally known portrait artist Gwen Barth, and Jane Carlson, nationally recognized landscape artist, and has taken inspiration from, and studied under, Bill Farnsworth, a professor of art at the Ringling College in Sarasota.

Mitchell also enjoyed being a member of an art group at the Chelsea Center for the Arts.

His work is in various collections in Chelsea, Ann Arbor and the surrounding area, as well as in collections in Florida and Kentucky.

"Knowing that people across the country have my work in their homes and places of business gives me great satisfaction," he says.

Chelsea Hospital recognized as 'Best Place to Work'

Chelsea Community Hospital has been recognized as one of the "Best Places to Work in Healthcare" by Modern Healthcare Magazine.

CCH is one of only 87 hospitals in the country to receive this honor and one of only two hospitals in Michigan to be honored.

Modern Healthcare partnered with Best Companies Group, a PA-based firm that administers "best places to work" programs nationwide. Modern Healthcare conducted this program to recognize outstanding employers in the healthcare industry on a national level.

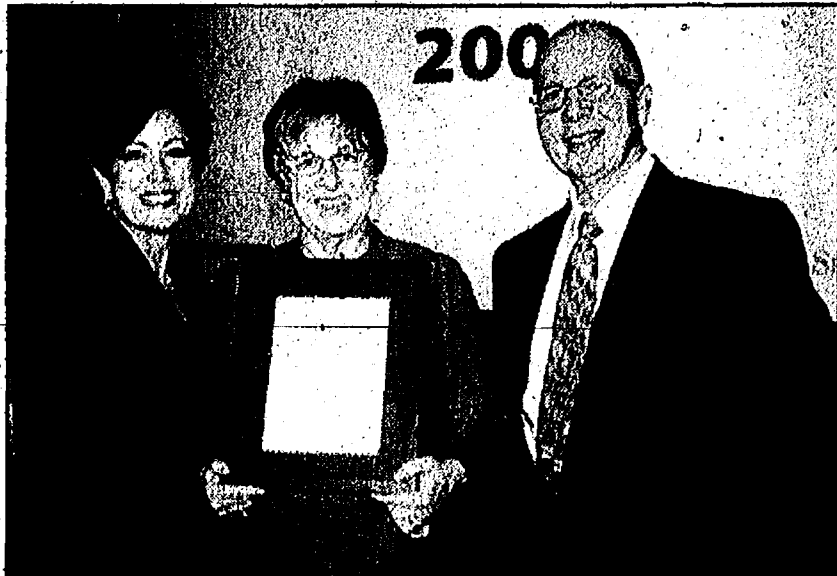
The program collected information from both the employer and employees and was open to all companies (providers, suppliers, payers, associations, etc.) with at least 25 employees. Employers completed a survey detailing company policies, practices, benefits, and demographics. Employees were asked an in-depth set of questions that resulted in an analysis in eight core areas: leadership and planning, culture and communications, role satisfaction, working environment, relationship with supervisor, training and development, pay and benefits, and overall satisfaction.

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"We are delighted to receive this recognition, and it's very gratifying to know that our employees feel that Chelsea Community Hospital is a great place to work," said Kathleen Griffiths, president and CEO of Chelsea Community Hospital. "We pride ourselves on creating a good work environment for our employees, which in turn allows them to provide exceptional care to our patients each day."

Chelsea Community Hospital is a non-profit hospital established in 1970. CCH recently merged with Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. CCH is nationally recognized for both quality of care and patient satisfaction by national ranking organization Press Ganey, and is accredited by the Joint Commission. CCH attracts more than 300 physicians in almost all disciplines, with leading edge technology, including the largest and strongest MRI in Michigan, a 64-slice CT scanner, PACS (digital picture archiving and communication system), and digital mammography.

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Cindy Harrison, vice president of human resources; Kathleen Griffiths, president and CEO; and Jim Barb, director of quality improvement, show off the hospital's latest honor.

Annual Holiday show Saturday in Chelsea

"All the Trimmings Holiday Show" will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Chelsea Fairground Service building.

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Free refreshments, free admission and plenty of free parking. The event is in conjunction with Chelsea's

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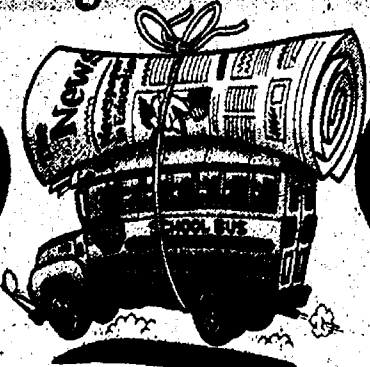
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Moore Pediatrics receives state award

By Crystal Hayduk
Special Writer

Moore Pediatrics and Associates in Chelsea has been recognized by the state of Michigan for excellence in immunization practices and the high percentage of children ages 19 through 35 months in their practice who are fully immunized.

The award was presented at the Michigan Regional Immunization Conference on Nov. 19 in Ypsilanti.

Stephanie Sanchez, AFEX coordinator at the Michigan Department of Public Health, presented the certificate. AFEX is the acronym for the state's quality improvement strategy to raise immunization coverage levels and improve providers' standards of practice. It stands for Assessment, Feedback, Incentives, and eXchange.

Sanchez said that the award was given to any practice that had representatives in attendance at the conference and met the criteria of greater than 70 percent of children immunized.

"It's a great motivator for doing things well and for continuous improvement when you receive recognition," she said.

According to Deanna Phillips, the certificate says that 74 percent of the practice's children in the target age group are fully immunized for diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, varicella, measles, mumps, rubella, Hepatitis B and Hib disease. Phillips and Laura Bush, both registered nurses who work in the practice, attended the conference.

"There is so much to running an excellent immunization program that many people don't realize," said Phillips. "It's more than giving the



Nurses Deanna Phillips (left) and Laura Bush receive the state certificate recognizing Moore Pediatrics and Associates for excellence in immunization practice at the Michigan Regional Immunization Conference on Nov. 19.

H1N1 clinic

What: Washtenaw County Public Health Department H1N1 vaccination clinic

When: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday or until the last person with a wristband is served. Wristband screening will begin at 9 a.m. and are available while vaccine supply lasts.

Where: Manchester High School, 20500 Dutch Drive, Manchester

Who: Priority groups include pregnant women, household and caregiver contacts of infants younger than six months old, health care and emergency medical services personnel with direct patient care, individuals from 6 months through 24 years old, and individuals 25 through 64 years old with medical conditions that place them at a higher risk of influenza-related complications.

More information: Fully detailed information is available at www.ewashtenaw.org/flu. Public health nurses and health educators are available to answer questions by phone at (734) 544-6700.

right shot at the right time. It's also properly storing vaccine, administering it correctly, and documenting everything accurately."

Bob Swanson, state director of immunizations, said that although the recognition at the regional conferences was based on data from the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR), he prefers to use the National Immunization Survey (NIS) to obtain the percent of children in Michigan who are fully immunized.

"The NIS is a random-digit-dialed survey that uses the

records of 30,000 children nationwide," he said. "For 2008, the NIS said that 74.5 percent of children in Michigan in the target age group were fully immunized."

Terry Besey, RN, who works at Moore Pediatrics, said: "We always get glowing reports from the health department when they visit us. Dr. Moore is such a conscientious physician. He allows 30 minutes for a well-child visit, for one thing. Many doctors only allow 15 minutes. He looks at the whole child, including nutrition and parent education."

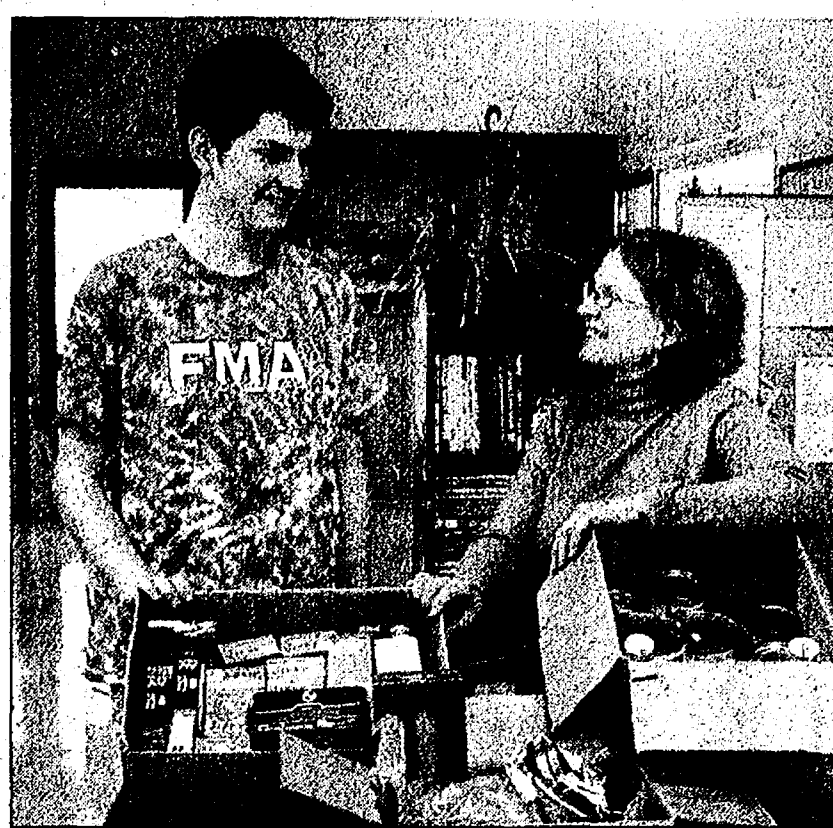
Family Martial Arts holds local food drive

Family Martial Arts of Ann Arbor and Chelsea held a holiday food drive to benefit the Faith in Action food bank. Organized by 2nd Degree Black Belt and Junior Instructor Michael Hoffman, 16, the Family Martial Arts food drive generated more than four dozen canned, boxed, and shelf stable food items donated by the school's Tae Kwon Do students and their families.

"A lot of people don't realize that there are less fortunate children and families who live in our area and may not have enough food, not just for the holidays but for every day," said Michael, a junior at Chelsea High School. "I hope our donation will help some families out."

Master Ana Hotaling, Family Martial Arts' owner and master instructor, commended Michael's efforts.

"We do our best to encourage our Tae Kwon Do students, especially our junior students, to participate in charitable service and in activities that help build their citizenship... in other words, to put forth a black belt effort in their community," she said. "To have Michael set an example for our younger students, and to have so many of those youngsters follow his lead and contribute to this food drive, was rewarding to see."



Mr. Michael presents Faith in Action Director Nancy Paul with the foodstuffs collected during Family Martial Arts' holiday food drive.

Michael and Master Ana brought Family Martial Arts' contributions to Faith in

Action, where they were gratefully received by Nancy Paul, Faith in Action's director.

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■ 'Escanaba' extended

The Purple Rose Theatre Co. recently announced a five-week performance extension of Jeff Daniels' "Escanaba." Originally scheduled to close on Dec. 19, "Escanaba" will now run until Jan. 23. Performances for the remainder of the engagement will be Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m., with some variance for the holidays and some added performances including an exclusive discounted student matinee at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 13. All performances are at the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park Street.

■ Chelsea District Library

For more information, call 475-8732.

Tonight: International Book Club meets the first Thursday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Registration.

Join us as we feature books that take you to cultures around the globe. Reserved copies are available for participants; please sign up to get your copy. December's book will be "They Poured Fire on Us From the Sky," by Alephansheng Deng.

Tomorrow: Toddlertime, formerly known as Babytime Plus meets the first & third Fridays of every month from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Drop-in for ages 20-36 months. Toddlertime is an early literacy program for toddlers who are getting ready to move from Babytime to library Storytime. Learn about letters and numbers, colors, shapes, and all that fun stuff! Don't worry, there will still be plenty of time for playing with toys!

Tomorrow: Great Books at Chelsea Senior Center. 1 p.m. Registration. Join in on great book discussions led by library and senior center staff. Reserved copies are available

for participants; please sign up to get your copy. December's book will be "My Life in France" by Julia Child.

Tomorrow: Common Chords. 7-8 p.m. Drop-in. The Common Chords hand bell choir will perform a holiday concert as part of Chelsea's Hometown Holidays celebration. Join us for music and good cheer to kick off a great Chelsea tradition.

Saturday: Hometown Holidays: Gingerbread Houses. 2-3:30 p.m. Registration. Families can decorate a holiday gingerbread house with frosting and candies. One kit supplied per family. Call the library to reserve a house for your family. This program is presented in partnership with Chelsea's Annual Hometown Holidays.

■ Chelsea Senior Center

Located at 512 Washington Street. Call 475-9242 for program registration and advance lunch reservation. Chelsea School District, through the Washtenaw County Senior Nutrition Program, serves a delicious lunch five days a week. Entree listed, lunch includes salad bar and dessert.

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Tomorrow: Bingo 9 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Fried chicken lunch at noon; Euchre 12:30 p.m.; Book Discussion "My Life in France" 1 p.m.; Wii Fun 1 p.m.

Monday: Bingo 9 a.m.;

Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Chicken lasagna lunch at noon; Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.; Digital Media 1 p.m.; Sharp Brains 1 p.m.; All Write Writing Group 1 p.m.

Tuesday: Foot Care by appointment; Enhance Fitness 9 a.m.; Mah Jongg 9 a.m.; Crafts - Christmas Mouse 10 a.m.; Wood Carving 10 a.m.; Baked potato bar lunch at noon; Quilting for Charity 1 p.m.; Wii Fit 1 p.m.; Euchre 6:30 p.m.; Clogging 6:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Stained Glass class 9:30 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Chicken parmesan lunch at noon; Square Dancing 12:30 p.m.; Pinochle 1 p.m.; Scrabble 1 p.m.; Bowling at Chelsea Lanes 1 p.m.

Thursday: Board of Directors meeting 9 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 9 a.m.; Bridge Class 10 a.m.; Computer Club 10 a.m.; Chess 10 a.m.; Beef stew lunch at noon; Chelsea Area Bridge 12:15 p.m.; Knit & Crochet 12:30 p.m.

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In the Chelsea Center for the Arts (CCA) Gallery: "Hydrology," a juried exhibition of artworks in several mediums explores the ways humans relate to water. Curator is Cathy Barry. An Artist's Reception will be from 6 to 9 p.m. on Dec. 4. The exhibit is co-sponsored by The Huron River Watershed Council and

The Legacy Land Conservancy. The exhibit closes Dec. 18.

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■ Classical Bells

St. Andrew's United Church of Christ and St. James Episcopal Church will be sponsoring the group, Classical Bells, a handbell choir, in a program of holiday music. They will be performing at St. Andrew's United Church of Christ on Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. This marks the group's first performance in the Dexter area, and it should be a holiday treat for both young and old. St. Andrew's is located at 7610 Ann Arbor St. in Dexter. There will be a free-will offering at the door. For more information, call 426-8610.

■ 'Santa Central'

Hudson Mills Metropark will host "Santa Central" from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 13. Children can visit Santa Central and play reindeer games, enjoy a hayride and snack, and share their wish list with Santa.

Tickets are \$6/child, under 1 free. This includes one complimentary photo per family; additional photos are \$2 each. Admission is by advance ticket purchase only. Tickets are available for purchase at the park office. For additional information, contact the Hudson Mills Metropark at 800-477-3191 or 734-426-8211. Hope Bezzig of Dexter spent some time with Santa Claus last year.

■ Dexter Senior Center

7720 Ann Arbor Street. Call (734) 426-7737. Luncheons are complete - main dish listed \$2.50 minimum, donation - reservations day ahead by noon - call 426-5397.

Monday: 8:30 a.m. swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:15 - walking; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 - Lunch - chop steak with gravy; 1 p.m. Gingerbread Houses. Enjoy a cup of cocoa.

Tuesday: 10 a.m. - Lifestyle Fitness; Rug hookers; 11 - Tai Chi; 11:30 Lunch - Chicken piccata; 12 - French; 1:30 p.m. Computer Club.

Wednesday: 8:30 -

Swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:00 - Medicare Assistance; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 Lunch: Pork chops; 1:00 Watercolor painting; Yoga; German.

Thursday, Dec. 10; 9 a.m. Spanish; 9:30 - Euchre; 10 a.m. Lifestyle Fitness; 11 Knitting Club; 11:30 Lunch - Turkey divan; 12:30 Scrabble/Bridge/1 p.m. - Mah Jongg.

Friday, Dec. 11: 8:30 - Swimming, Wylie Pool; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 - Lunch - Veal Parmesan.

■ Dexter District Library

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Tuesday: 6:30 p.m., Family Movie and Popcorn Night. "The Muppet Christmas Carol" for all ages.

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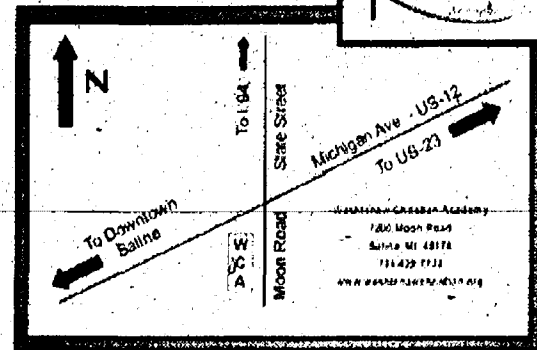
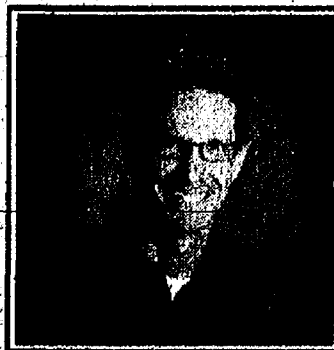
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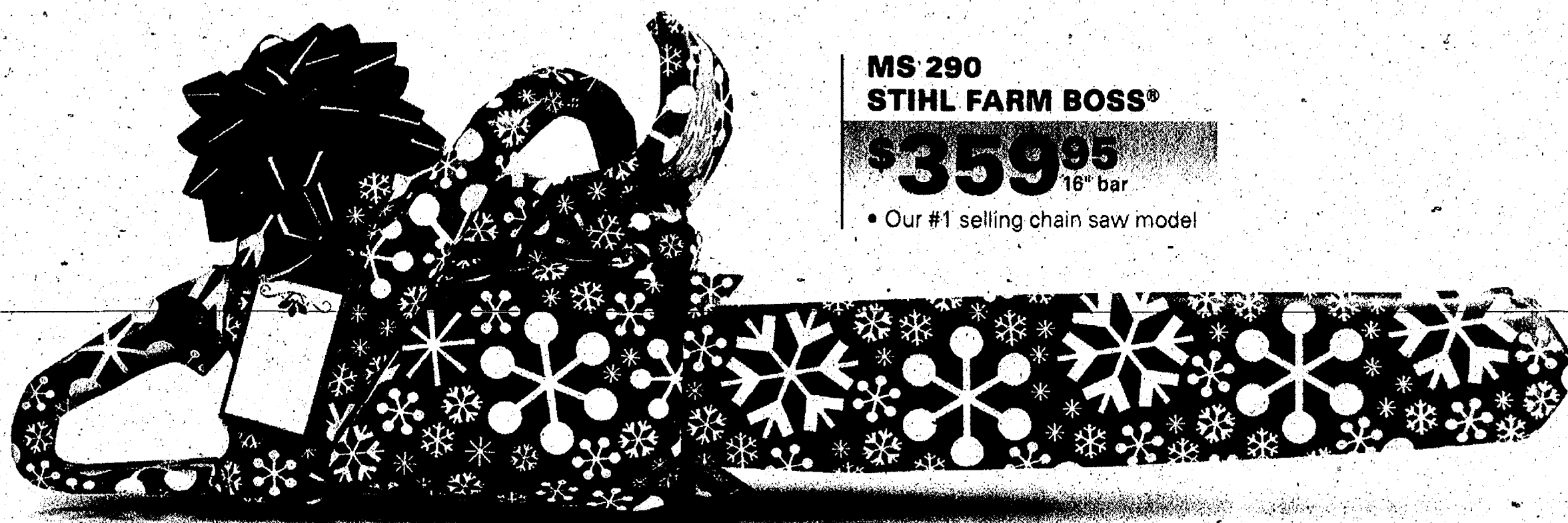
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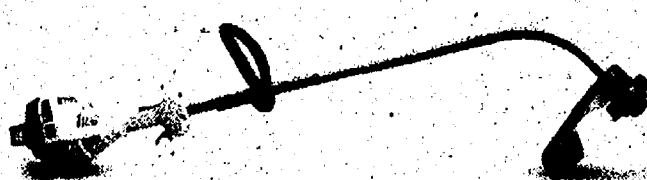
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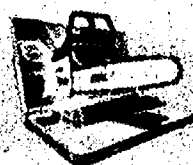
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Sisters join Shrine of St. Joseph in Grass Lake

When Blessed Louis Guanella started his first orphanage in Como, Italy in 1886, it was with the help of two Sisters who would later become the inspiration for the first religious congregation that he would form called the "Daughters of St. Mary of Providence."

And when Fr. Joseph Rinaldo of the Servants of Charity needed help to bolster the operations of the Shrine of St. Joseph in Grass Lake, the call was answered once again, by two Sisters of the Daughters of St. Mary of Providence.

Sister Brenda McHugh and Sister Margaret Mary Schissler, who both grew up in Chicago, were sent to Michigan by their superiors to lend a hand to their Guanellian counterparts.

And since their arrival at the end of August, both have already made a significant impact in the community. Sr. Brenda, with a teaching degree from Neumann College in Aston, Penn., offered her services to Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Michigan Center, and has been teaching Religion in grades 3-6 at OLF Elementary School.

Sr. Margaret Mary (who goes by "Sr. M & M"), has an Accounting Degree from Chicago State University, and has taken over the day-to-day operations at the Shrine of St. Joseph.

Like bookends, these religious sisters operate in the community with joy and a great love for

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Sr. M & M
Shrine of St. Joseph in Grass Lake

Jesus Christ. In fact, Sister Margaret Mary, who worked as the assistant administrator of Our Lady of Providence Center in Northville from 1997-2002, said, "It's good to be back in Michigan. People are hungry for the Words of Jesus, and evangelization is an important part of our work."

While both wear the same habit, each Sister brings a unique personality, skill set, and background to her day-to-day mission. Sr. Brenda McHugh was born in Chicago, but moved with her large family to Burlington, Wisc. at an early age. She was the second oldest of 10 siblings, and later returned to Chicago to finish her high school education. Her older sister wanted to be a nun, and her first exposure to the DSMP's was when she met Sr. Angelina and Sr. Matilda at the Franciscan Friary in Kenosha, Wisc.

"They took in my sister Margaret first, and she began attending high school in Chicago," she said.

"I wasn't interested in a religious vocation at the time, because I always wanted to be a mother. But when I attended a summer camp in Lake Zurich, I saw how much the Sisters were able to be 'mothers' to the disabled, and that was my breakthrough."

"I began to discern life as a Religious Sister, and I entered the convent as a novice with five



PLEASE SEE SISTERS/8-B Sr. Margaret Mary (left) and Sr. Brenda stand with St. Joseph at the Shrine.



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One Sunday recently my son and daughter-in-law had my 3½-month-old granddaughter in church, and as we were visiting after church she was looking at me – or was she? Actually it appeared as if she was looking at the wall behind me, where there is a large picture of Jesus. When I noticed that, I stepped aside, and somewhat jokingly said, "If my granddaughter wants to look at Jesus, I'm not going to stand in the way."

The truth is, I'm not even sure her young eyes could focus on the picture, let alone recognize her Savior.

It did occur to me, though, how important the principle

MINISTERIAL MESSAGE



MARK PORINSKY

is: If I'm standing in the way of anyone who wants to see Jesus, the best thing I can do

is move. The same applies to any believer in Jesus Christ.

None of us will ever be perfect here on this earth, but if I become aware that some quirk in my personality is keeping someone away from faith in their Savior, I will do what I can to minimize that quirk. Certainly if some sin of mine is keeping someone from considering the importance of Jesus, I will do everything possible to take that sin out of the way. The same applies to any believer in Jesus Christ.

If I, as a pastor, get too involved in sermonizing about morality and Christian living and all kinds of other Bible topics, or about building projects

and activities which have little spiritual value, without centering everything around Jesus Christ and His sacrifice on the cross and resurrection on Easter Sunday, and His free gift of forgiveness and eternal life, then I am failing to help people see Jesus. The same applies to any pastor or spiritual leader.

If my church is all about empowerment and what rights people allegedly have, and how people can be fulfilled and feel good about themselves, then we're leading people away from Jesus. The same applies to every Christian congregation.

If I run my family in such a way that family activities,

or athletic or musical involvement, keeps my children from worshiping and learning and seeing Jesus more clearly, then it's time for a rearrangement of my priorities. I must make even the blessing of family secondary to our relationship with Jesus, as Jesus said, "Anyone who loves his father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me" (Matthew 10:37). The same applies to any parent, or grandparent.

Near the end of Jesus' life some people came up to one of His disciples, Philip, and requested, "Sir, we would like

to see Jesus." Philip told his fellow disciple Andrew, and together they in turn told Jesus (John 12:20-22). These disciples did not want to stand in anyone's way of seeing their Master and Savior.

Hopefully it is the goal of every Christian, every pastor, every congregation, and every parent to help people see Jesus – specifically to see that He came to live and die for them, and to change their future from eternal misery to eternal joy.

Mark Porinsky is the pastor at Faith Lutheran Church, 9575 North Territorial Road in Dexter. The Web site is www.faithdexter.org.

SISTERS

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others on the Feast of the Epiphany on Jan. 6, 1986."

Sr. Brenda took her first vows as a member of the DSMP congregation on Aug. 15, 1988 during the Feast of the Assumption, and never looked back. She spent five years as a House Mother at St. Mary's in Chicago, spent a year in Italy from 1988-94, and made her final vows on Sept. 24, 1994.

Sr. Brenda completed her teaching degree in Pennsylvania while working as a House Mother at Divine Providence Village in Springfield and at St. Mary's in Elverson. She then spent seven years as the Coordinator of Religious Education at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish School in Vancouver, B.C.

Being in Michigan reminds her of being home in Wisconsin. "I get an overwhelming feeling

of peace and serenity here at the Shrine, and I'm looking forward to all of the things this community has to offer."

Also growing up in Chicago, Sr. Margaret Mary's path to becoming a Religious Sister was totally different.

"I grew up on the south side of Chicago and was the product of a lifelong Catholic education. When I graduated from Little Flower High School, I had absolutely no thoughts about being a nun. I have an older sister who is developmentally disabled, and she lived at Mt. St. Joseph in Lake Zurich, Ill. I was going to college at Chicago State University, and in my sophomore year, all of a sudden I got the vocational bite."

"Since it was my responsibility to take my sister back to Lake Zurich after her monthly family visits, I struck up a relationship with the DSMP Sisters. I was so touched by the hospitality and care they had for the residents,

that one day I finally asked them about becoming a nun."

"It's amazing how the call comes. People either aspire to it or they don't; and then the Holy Spirit moves you in the right direction," said Sr. M. & M.

After completing her fourth year of college, she finally told her parents about her career path by saying, "The job doesn't pay much, but the rewards are great."

Sr. Margaret Mary entered her postulancy in 1977, made her first vows in August 1980, and made her final vows in Rome in 1985.

"The real work experience begins after you make your vows," she said.

"That's when you start making your own decisions." Sr. M. & M's career has taken her to Chicago, Rome, Sleepy Eye, MN, Vancouver, BC, Rhode Island, and Michigan.

Sr. M. & M reminds us that through the intercession of St.

Joseph and his prayer, we can touch many people daily. "O Saint Joseph, foster father of Jesus Christ and true spouse of the Virgin Mary, Pray for us, and for the suffering and dying of this day/night."

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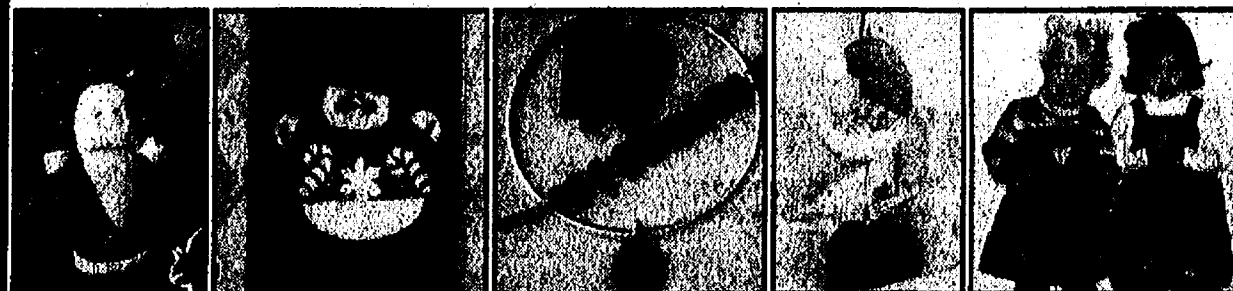
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Help United Way

To the Editor: In this season of thinking about what we're thankful for here at Faith in Action, there have been so many remarkable examples of giving that I'm almost afraid to begin the list for fear of leaving someone out:

Ben Polens sold pumpkins and donated the proceeds to us. The Girls on the Run in Dextersold T-shirts to raise money. The Boy Scouts had a car wash. The Girl Scouts held a major food drive. St. Mary, Dexter Church of Christ, Creekside School, North Creek School, Dexter High School Honor Society, Chrysler Proving Grounds, Chelsea Free Methodist, all collected food for us in October and November. Denise Moyer had a birthday party and some of our dear departed volunteers named us in their memorials. The list goes on.

But one main reason I am writing is to encourage everyone to remember to donate also to United Way. They are not high profile. They don't have an office or staff members. They are a committee of volunteers who work to collect this larger pool of funds each fall to support Faith in Action all year, along with other critical agencies such as Chelsea Grace Clinic.

United Way is our largest single source of funding, and it will be no surprise to anyone that we have seen a dramatic increase in the number of people seeking service from us. We have every confidence that it will be the help of our very own neighbors here in Chelsea and Dexter that will be instrumental in helping many households weather the storm we're experiencing.

Supporting United Way is more critical now than ever. Please help if you can. Thank you.

Nancy Paul
Director of Faith in Action

Fund equity answer for this school year

To the Editor: After attending the school board meeting last (Monday) night, I was very

disheartened by the negative connotation used to discuss our district's situation. The phrase "the teacher's don't contribute a dime to their health benefits" was used more than once; setting the teachers in a very negative light. They are working a contract that all of the school board members, including our superintendent, signed and agreed to. It is only fair that they honor that contract. It is not right that the teachers are referred to as the villains in this situation, especially to the public.

My question is this: Why wasn't it mentioned that there is enough money in the fund equity to sustain us through the remainder of this school year without making cuts? Whenever the fund equity was discussed, it was only referred to as "depleting" the fund. Everyone expects cuts for next year, but why isn't every effort made to finish this year without the upheaval the board is discussing? The fund equity would not be depleted, according to the numbers last night, if we used just enough to finish this year.

The school board owes it to the children, teachers and parents of this district to gather all the available information before making any decisions. The state has until late December to send funding checks to the districts, and they can reverse any decisions until then. There were other options for raising revenue discussed (last Monday) night also. It's worth looking into asking the public for donations. What kind of an example is the board setting for our children by making decisions with out exhausting all avenues?

As I understand it, on Jan. 13, there will be a public forum held to discuss alternative options and ideas for our funding. An MEA representative will be giving a presentation to the public and school board members. It would seem to be in the district's best interest for all of the school board members to be there.

The school board has two responsibilities. The first is to wait until they have all available information and listen to

the MEA's presentation. The board owes the students and teachers that. Additionally, to explore the idea of using enough fund equity to finish the school year without disrupting the lives of children, teachers and parents.

They, as our elected school board, are responsible for making educated and sound decisions that benefit our children. Please ask them to take their time making these decisions.

Susie Catherman
Chelsea

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To the Editor: Michigan has lost hundreds of thousands of

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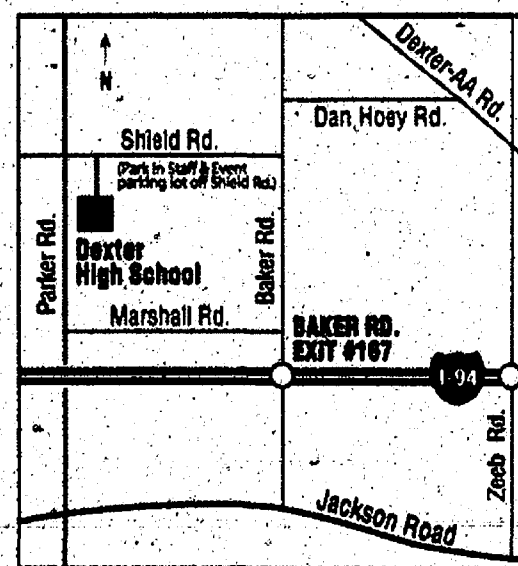
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MEDIUM #29

McKune Library hosts annual Volunteer Holiday Open House

Join us Friday, Dec. 4, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the McKune Room for the annual Volunteer Holiday Open House. Library volunteers performed over 4,700 hours of service to the library last year. That is almost 400 hours per month! They help with everything from programming to repairing library materials.

With our large number of programs, we often need help. Volunteers help by setting up, serving refreshments, cleaning up, chaperoning program participants, and sometimes even volunteering their expertise to present a program. We have a large contingent of youth volunteers, called the Youth Service Group, who help with the summer reading program each year, and we would not be able to offer such great summer reading programs if not for their help.

Volunteers help us keep our DVD and CD collections clean and in working order by reviewing discs and cleaning or repairing them. They also help us replace broken cases, and remove old magazines from our collection each year end.

We use volunteers to scan historical documents into a database and to catalog our local history materials. They

LIBRARY LINKS

have also recently helped us get our library history up to date for posting on our new website, and regularly clip articles from local papers to add to our archive.

Our Study Hall program is another service we couldn't offer without the help of volunteers. They offer knowledge to students after school for two hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Seniors who need one-on-one computer help are familiar with our CPUs (computer and public user) support volunteers. These men and women provide hands-on help twice a month to seniors who need help with the Internet, software programs, or technology issues in general.

If you have admired the beautiful plantings in the large pots at our front doors, they are the work of the Chelsea Garden Club, who volunteer many hours to plant and maintain these pots. They also plant and maintain the pots at the base of the Main Street stairs.

We also have a couple of very dedicated men who regularly help us with "handyman" type jobs. They repairs doors,

change light bulbs, hang pictures and bulletin boards, fix broken furniture, and a myriad of other small jobs that require skill with tools and ladders.

And last but certainly not least, we have dozens of volunteers who help the Friends of the Library put on their very popular used book sales each month. This is a labor intensive project, requiring hundreds of hours each month to prepare materials for the sale, set up the space in McKune room, and then put it all away in the basement until the next month.

This is a very dedicated group and they love what they do. The money raised is then donated to the library by the Friends to support programming and general library needs. This year alone the Friends have donated almost \$17,000 to the library!

If you are now, ever have been, or are thinking about being a volunteer, please come out and meet library staff, board members, and other volunteers. We will treat you to a light buffet and holiday goodies, and our own Ron Andrews will provide holiday music on the piano. It is just one small way we can say "thanks" to our wonderful volunteer. Please join us for food, fun, and song!

BRIEFS

Community breakfast

A hot breakfast will be served to the public free of charge on the second Saturday of every month at Chelsea First United Methodist Church from 8 to 10 a.m. Everyone is invited!

People who really need a good hearty breakfast, and those who just want one or who want to meet others in a friendly setting. There will be an opportunity to sign up to volunteer for future breakfasts.

For more information, contact Lynn Booth at 475-8119 (ext. 20). Chelsea First United Methodist Church is located at 128 Park Street.

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LETTERS

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jobs as a result of the "economy." A recent estimate projects that by the end of 2011 the number of lost jobs will be 935,000. Jobs have been lost as companies and organizations have downsized, restructured, closed, or left the state. While some new jobs have come to the state, others have not. Regardless of the whys, Michigan has lost jobs and is competing with other states to attract new jobs.

The business environment in Michigan consists in part of business taxes, labor laws, and the nature of the work force in terms of not only availability but also productivity. Frequently, tax incentives are required to compete with other states that are also trying to attract or retain jobs for those states.

Our state leadership, executive and legislative must take important, and some would say drastic steps to improve the attractiveness of Michigan as a place for businesses to relocate and grow. Our leadership must stop playing politics with our future. Our leadership must stop taking small steps to address individual issues and recognize that if Michigan is going to be a leader in attracting businesses we can no longer match the competition, we must lead the competition.

Only when Michigan becomes a leader in attracting incremental as well as restarting existing businesses will the economy of Michigan start to recover, start to grow jobs that will lead to a recovery of the state housing market. Michigan cannot continue to lose population and jobs, and just hope for some federal program or the other states to change how they compete for the jobs that Michigan drastically needs.

It has been reported that Michigan has lost new business investment of over \$10 billion when companies that considered building in Michigan elected to go elsewhere because Michigan did not have a "Right To Work" law. Michigan law requires an employer to pay the prevailing wage, more often than not a union wage scale even if the employees are not union organized. While the unions have given up a lot in wages and benefits, the union wage scale is above typical compensation levels in the current economy. Michigan cannot just compete with tax incentives!

When a company considers building in Michigan that company must consider all of the costs of doing business in Michigan. They must do this because they are competing themselves against companies that are not located in Michigan, companies that are not in the Michigan business environment.

All of Michigan's job losses are not a result of the automotive sector's economic downturn! It is true that automotive job losses are the single largest segment of the job losses in Michigan. The automotive companies consider the state's business environment when determining which plant(s) to close or scale back. When technology, labor costs, productivity and other fixed costs are equal between manufacturing facilities located in Michigan and

other states for an automotive manufacturer, the only variable factor that differs between facilities would be state business environment and tax structure. Michigan loses jobs because the state's business environment and tax structure are not attractive!

The voters of Michigan must elect leadership that is capable and willing to make the changes necessary to be competitive as a state. That leadership must make the tough decisions, pass Right To Work legislation, revise the tax structure of Michigan, and take other necessary steps to be attractive to both business and the individuals who would be living in the state if they decide to bring a business to the state.

Simply changing the tax laws is not enough! Michigan must also lower the cost of government. Lowering the cost of government is not just about reducing the number of state employees. Private sector employees have seen wages and benefits reduced. Why should we think that public employees should not also see wages and benefits reduced? Yes, some state employees have seen forced furloughs, but have they seen benefit reductions?

The non-partisan Mackinaw Group recently reported that if the benefit packages for government and education employees within Michigan were reduced to the average of that employment group nationwide that the recent \$1.8 Billion budget deficit would have been erased. If the benefit package for that group of employees were reduced to the national average of all employees, both public and private, the deficit would have turned into a \$1.8 Billion surplus, a potential \$1.8 billion tax reduction state wide!

Michigan leads the nation in unemployment! The housing market is in shambles. State population is declining. Seventy percent of all household moves are moving out of the state. True leadership will address the underlying problems and make changes that will not continue the traditional practices. The current governor blamed the prior federal administration for the state's problems. How can

NOTICE NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS WASHTENAW COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To all residents of the Washtenaw County Conservation District (Washtenaw County), notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of January, 2010, between the hours of 8:30 and 9:30 p.m., at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5035 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, in the township of Lodi, an annual meeting and director's election will be held. On the 7th day of December, 2009, being forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the annual meeting, absentee ballots are available for voting in this election at the Conservation District Office located at 7203 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by mail, upon request. Residents of legal age and who can demonstrate residency in the Conservation District by 1 (one) piece of identification are eligible to vote in this election.

**Mary Beth Day, Chairman
Board of Directors
Washtenaw County
Conservation District**

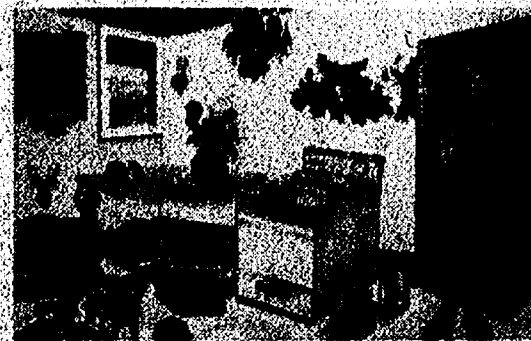
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Chelsea's River Gallery hosts new exhibit

The River Gallery is hosting an exhibit of works by Barry Avedon through Jan. 9. An Opening Reception will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 12 and a panel discussion moderated by Tom Venner will take place at 2 p.m. on Dec. 20.

Avedon admits that he is happiest making art, and that state of mind infuses his paintings and collages. But good work cannot be about happiness alone, which would not sustain our interest or touch us the way it should.

Avedon says it's other things he adds



that bring his work into full force: the flavor of Kirchner, Matisse or de Kooning; the interplay of surface and depth; the luminous color and the surprising juxtaposition of images that form his complex compositions. Then

we experience what happens when this masterful artist creates – the work becomes rich and resonant, beyond happiness.

Guest artists on the second level include Margaret Davis, Karen Izenberg, Michael Reedy and Richard Washington. River Gallery Fine Art is committed to researching, exhibiting and placing the best original art available for residential, small business, healthcare and corporate clients. Site survey and recommendations, off site exhibits, installation art programming, appraisals and custom framing.

The Gallery is located at 120 S. Main in Chelsea. For more information, call 1-734-433-0826 or log on to chelsearivergallery.com

that argument be logically and rationally justified given that 49 other states have lower unemployment than Michigan?

It is time to stop blaming others and look internally and

work to fix Michigan's problems. Michigan needs state and local leadership that works in today's economy!

**Tim Kelley
Sylvan Township**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LIMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009 7:30 P.M. LIMA TOWNSHIP HALL, 11452 JACKSON RD., CHELSEA, MI 48118

APPLICATION # 09-006.
Please take notice that the Lima Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the following: ADD SECTION 5.51 SHOOTING RANGES AND ADD THE DEFINITION OF "OUTDOOR OR INDOOR" SHOOTING RANGE TO

SECTION 2.2 TO THE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE.

APPLICATION FILED BY: LIMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

A COMPLETE COPY OF THIS PROPOSAL IS ON FILE IN THE LIMA TOWNSHIP OFFICE.

WRITTEN COMMENTS MAY BE SENT TO:
ELIZABETH SENSOLI, CHAIRMAN
LIMA TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 59
CHELSEA, MI 48118

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DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan.

ROLL CALL: President Keough, Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Smith, Tell.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion Smith; support Cousins to approve the minutes of the Work Session and the Regular Council Meeting of October 26, 2009 with the following corrections:

Work Session – correct FUTRUE to read FUTURE

Council Meeting – page 6, 1-3 delete a before special groups, 1-5 change and to an between provided and example, and page 7, K-1 correct Mr. Semifero's motion to read to add item L-4. Closed Session for the purchase of property to the agenda and postpone the previous motion until after the closed session.

Mr. Smith requested that the Regional Fire Department Meeting be added to the Upcoming Meetings Calendar.

UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE FOR APPROVAL

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith; support Cousins to approve the agenda with the addition of a request to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing property acquisition after the consent agenda.

Ayes: Cousins, Smith and Keough. Nays: Fisher, Semifero, Tell and Carson.

MOTION FAULTS 4-3

Motion Smith; support Carson to approve the agenda with the addition of a request to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing property acquisition as item L-5.

Unanimous voice vote for approval Motion Tell; support Semifero to spend up to \$3000 from the bond money for an overhead door at the Fire Station.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough. Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIES

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$329,360.28.

Consideration of Appointment of Steven Berlage to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Motion Fisher; support Carson to approve items 1 and 2 of the consent agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of

Motion Semifero; support Carson to

accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission to approve the Professional Services Scope of Work from JJR to complete the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality permitting phase of the Mill Pond Project in an amount not to exceed \$45,100.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough.

Nays: None.

Motion carries.

Motion Semifero; support Carson to accept the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission to approve the Professional Services Scope of Work from JJR to complete the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality permitting and construction documents necessary for permitting of the Waterway Infrastructure Grant in an amount not to exceed \$17,380.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough.

Nays: None.

Motion carries.

Motion Cousins; support Carson to extend the site plan for Katie's until October 12, 2010.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough.

Nays: None.

Motion carries.

Motion Smith; support Semifero to move into closed session at 10:23 pm to discuss the acquisition of property.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough.

Nays: None.

Motion carries.

Motion Smith; support Carson to move out of closed session at 10:34 pm.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough.

Nays: None.

Motion carries.

Motion Fisher; support Smith to adjourn at 10:44 pm.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

**Respectfully submitted;
Carol J. Jones, Clerk,
Village of Dexter**

Approved for Filing: November 23, 2009.

The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Village Office at 6123 Main Street, Dexter MI or online at www.villageofdexter.org

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LIMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009 7:30 P.M. LIMA TOWNSHIP HALL, 11452 JACKSON RD., CHELSEA, MI 48118

APPLICATION # 09-007.

Please take notice that the Lima Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the following: ADD "COMMERCIAL RECREATION FACILITIES, INDOOR OR OUTDOOR" AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL

ZONING DISTRICT UNDER SECTION 4.5.15 SCHEDULE OF USES LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

APPLICATION FILED BY: LIMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

A COMPLETE COPY OF THIS PROPOSAL IS ON FILE IN THE LIMA TOWNSHIP OFFICE.

WRITTEN COMMENTS MAY BE SENT TO:

ELIZABETH SENSOLI, CHAIRMAN
LIMA TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 59
CHELSEA, MI 48118

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Webster Township Regular Board Meeting November 17, 2009

The Webster Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Kingsley on November 17, 2009 at the Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road Dexter, MI 48130.

Kleinschmidt all ayes Koch abstained.

New Business:

A. Fire Department Study

Motion Westman second Kleinschmidt to approve expenditures of up to \$1000.00 for study and consultant to combine Fire Departments. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

B. Snow Removal

Motion Estleman second Whitney to go out for comparisons bids for snow removal. Motion carried Heller, Whitney, Westman, Estleman, Kleinschmidt, Koch all ayes no vote Kingsley.

C. Master Plan

Motion Kingsley second Estleman to approve Master Plan and direct Planning Commission to begin as soon as tomorrow night to: 1. Resolve map & language on Rural Residential Classification in Northeast part of Township, 2. Reconcile Municipal Services Report and mapping with current and soon to be PDR preserved

lands and 3. Natural features in Rural Residential area. Motion Koch second Westman to amend the motion to have a deadline of May 2010 or sooner for the Planning Commission to bring back the amendment for distribution to the Board. Roll call vote on the amendment approved. Roll call vote, on the main motion all ayes and carried.

D. Zoning Ordinance Changes

Motion Kingsley second Westman to accept Pindia recommendation of the Zoning Ordinance. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

E. Webster Township Historical Society

Motion Heller second Estleman to authorize financial support to Webster Township Historical Society for keeping Webster Townships records and continue positive public relations for the Township. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

F. Budget Discussion of Township Cost Cutting

Discussion took place the board will bring cost cutting suggestions back to the December meeting.

Correspondence

Call to Public

Adjourn: Motion Kleinschmidt second Heller to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m. All ayes and carried.

**Respectfully submitted
Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township**

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CITY OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, November 10, 2009
Washington Street
Education Center

Call to Order

Present: Council Members
Present: Anderson, Holmberg, Albertson, Hammer, Albertson, Feeney, Mayor Lindauer, City Manager John Hanifan, and Clerk Royal

Absent:

Others Present: Ted Erickson, Nancy Anderson, Brad Roberts, Ray Schmidt, Georgia Beeman, Mr & Mrs Arthur Lindauer, Mark Heydlauff, Laura Kaiser, Jonathan Bougher, Thomas Knox, Gary Adams, Bill Zambon, Mike Jackson, Kevin Riley, Gary Galvin, Jim Drolett, Matt Jordan, Kim Garland, Jeff Burns,

Mayor Feeney called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Administer Oath of Office

Oath of Office was administered to newly elected Mayor Lindauer

Oath of Office was administered to the elected Council Members Feeney, Hammer and Albertson.

Presentations

Mayor Lindauer presented former Mayor Ann Feeney with gavel.

Approval Of Consent Agenda

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to approve minutes and bills as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approval of Regular Agenda

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Anderson to approve the regular agenda as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comments

None.

Public Hearing

1. Jaytec LLC Application for IFT Certificate

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Feeney to open the public hearing at 7:07 pm. All Aye. Motion Carried.

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Anderson to close the public hearing at 7:15 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MOVED Feeney SECONDED Holmberg to adopt the IFT resolution approving the application from JAYTEC, LLC for real property in the amount of \$1,530,000.00 for 11 years. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Hammer to adopt the IFT resolution approving the application from JAYTEC,

LLC for personal property in the amount of \$730,000.00 for 11 years. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Council Business

1. Appointment to fill City Council Vacancy

MOVED Albertson SECONDED Hammer to appoint Kent Martinez-Kratz to the vacant Council seat. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Council member Martinez-Kratz was sworn in to the vacant council seat for the remainder of the term.

2. City Council Committee Appointments

City Council members went over their appointments.

3. CAP/DART Resolution

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Hammer to approve the resolution to support the efforts of the Chelsea Area Planning Team and the Dexter Area Regional Team in developing an access plan. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Council member Anderson would prefer that the Whereas oil resources diminish be left out of future resolutions.

4. Request from DDA for Marketing Expenditure

MOVED Albertson SECONDED Hammer to approve up to \$25,000 in matching funds for a

comprehensive marketing campaign. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Albertson to amend the budget line item 101.895.880000 to \$28,700 by transferring \$25,000 from the General Fund Balance. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Resolution to Assign Delinquent Weed/Grass & Miscellaneous Invoices for 2009 onto the 2009 Winter City Tax Bills.

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to adopt the resolution to collect delinquent accounts receivable for Delinquent Weed/Grass & Miscellaneous Invoices during the Summer of 2009 onto the 2009 Winter Tax Roll. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

6. Policy to Allow Payment by Financial Transaction Devices

MOVED Albertson SECONDED Hammer to approve the resolution regarding the policy on acceptance of payments by Financial Transaction. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

7. Policy to Allow City Payments by ACH/Wire Transfer

MOVED Martinez-Kratz SECONDED Holmberg to approve the policy to allow city payments by ACH/Wire Transfer. All Ayes. Motion

Carried.

8. Application Server Upgrade & Domain Server Addition

MOVED Feeney SECONDED Albertson to allow for the purchase of two Dell servers to upgrade the existing application server and approve the resolution establish a new domain controller at a cost not to exceed \$6,000. All Ayes. 2009 winter City tax bills. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Hammer to accept Lights Dedication

the CMI vendor proposal to move the existing financial application files from the old Albertson to approve the dedication of 29 single head cost not to exceed \$4,300 and 8 double head street lights to allow for necessary budget in the Chelsea Fairways amendments to support this development. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

9. Sylvan Township Utility Admin Fee

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to eliminate the \$1.00 administrative fee charged by the City of Chelsea to Sylvan Township electric service customers. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

10. Approval of Accounts Payable for End of December

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Martinez-Kratz to allow the City Manager to approve the accounts payable batch for items processed between December 4 and

December 17 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$250,000. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

11. Utility Tax Liens for Winter Tax Bills

MOVED Martinez-Kratz SECONDED Feeney to approve the resolution assigning delinquent utility invoices for 2008-2009 onto the 2009 winter City tax bills. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

12. Chelsea Fairway Street

MOVED Feeney SECONDED Anderson to approve the dedication of 29 single head cost not to exceed \$4,300 and 8 double head street lights to allow for necessary budget in the Chelsea Fairways amendments to support this development. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Anderson to adjourn at 8:22 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVED: November 24, 2009

NOTE: This is only a synopsis of the Regular Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Clerk's Office at 305 S. Main St., Chelsea, MI or online at www.city-chelsea.org

**Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Royal, City Clerk**

Publish: December 3, 2009

VILLAGE OF DEXTER ORDINANCE NO. 2-2009

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS, EXTENSIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM OF THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF JUNIOR LIEN REVENUE BONDS TO PAY THE COST THEREOF; TO PRESCRIBE THE FORM OF THE BONDS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF REVENUES FROM THE SYSTEM SUFFICIENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM AND TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEGREGATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE REVENUES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS IN ENFORCEMENT THEREOF; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE BONDS AND THE SYSTEM.

THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER ORDAINS:

Section 1. Definitions. Whenever used in this Ordinance, except when otherwise indicated by the context, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) "Act 94" means Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended.

(b) "Authority" means the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority.

(c) "Authorized Officers" means the President, the Village Manager, the Village Clerk and the Village Treasurer of the Issuer.

(d) "Bonds" means the Series 2010 Bonds, together with any additional bonds heretofore or hereafter issued of equal standing with the Series 2010 Bonds.

(e) "Engineers" means Orchard, Hiltz & McMillen, consulting engineers of Livonia, Michigan.

(f) "Issuer" means the Village of Dexter, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan.

(g) "Junior Lien Bonds" means the Series 2010 Bonds, and any additional bonds that are of equal standing with the Series 2010 Bonds, and Junior in standing to the Senior Lien Bonds.

(h) "MDEQ" means the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

(i) "Outstanding Bonds" means the Issuer's 1999 Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, dated December 15, 1999, in the outstanding principal amount of \$2,815,000.

(j) "Prior Ordinance" means the ordinance and resolutions adopted by the Village Council authorizing the issuance of the Outstanding Bonds.

(k) "Project" means the acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of additions, extensions and improvements to the Issuer's Water Supply System, together with all necessary interests in land, rights of way and all appurtenances and attachments thereto, as described in the plans prepared by the Engineers and approved herein.

(l) "Purchase Contract" means the Purchase Contract to be entered into between the Authority and the Issuer relating to the purchase by the Authority of the Series 2010 Bonds.

(m) "Revenues" and "Net Revenues" means the revenues and net revenues of the System and shall be construed as defined in Section 3 of Act 94, including with respect to "Revenues", the earnings derived from the investment of moneys in the various funds and accounts established by the Prior Ordinance and this Ordinance.

(n) "Senior Lien Bonds" means the Outstanding Bonds and any additional bonds issued pursuant to the Prior Ordinance that are of equal standing and priority of lien with the Outstanding Bonds.

(o) "Series 2010 Bonds" means the 2010 Water Supply System Junior Lien Revenue Bonds (Limited Tax General Obligation), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$2,400,000 issued pursuant to this Ordinance.

(p) "Sufficient Government Obligations" means direct obligations of the United States of America or obligations of the principal and interest on which is fully guaranteed by the United States of America, not redeemable at the option of the issuer, the principal and interest payments upon which without reinvestment of the interest, come due at such times and in such amounts as to be fully sufficient to pay the interest as it comes due on the Bonds and the principal and redemption premium, if any, on the Bonds as it comes due whether on the stated maturity date or upon earlier redemption. Securities representing such obligations shall be placed in trust with a bank or trust company, and if any of the Bonds are to be called for redemption prior to maturity, irrevocable instructions to call the Bonds for redemption shall be given to the paying agent.

(q) "Supplemental Agreement" means the supplemental agreement among the Issuer, the Authority, and MDEQ relating to the Series 2010 Bonds.

(r) "System" means the entire Water Supply System of the Issuer, including the Project and all additions, extensions and improvements hereafter acquired.

Section 2. Necessity, Approval of Plans and Specifications. It is hereby determined to be a necessary public purpose of the Issuer to acquire and construct the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the Engineers, which plans and specifications are hereby approved. The Project qualifies for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund financing program being administered by the MDEQ and the Authority, whereby bonds of the Issuer are sold to the Authority and bear interest at a fixed rate of two and one-half percent (2.50%) per annum.

Section 3. Costs, Estimated Life. The cost of the Project is estimated to be Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,400,000), including the payment of incidental expenses as specified in Section 4 of this Ordinance, which estimate of cost is hereby approved and confirmed, and the period of usefulness of the Project is estimated to be not less than twenty (20) years.

Section 4. Payment of Cost, Bonds Authorized. To pay part of the cost of acquiring and constructing the Project, legal, engineering, financial and other expenses incident thereto and incident to the issuance and sale of the Series 2010 Bonds, the Issuer shall borrow the sum of not to exceed Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,400,000), or such lesser amount as shall have been advanced to the Issuer pursuant to the Purchase Contract, and the Supplemental Agreement, and issue the Series 2010 Bonds pursuant to the provisions of Act 94. The remaining cost of the Project, if any, shall be defrayed from Issuer funds on hand and legally available for such use. Except as amended by or expressly provided to the contrary in this Ordinance, all of the provisions of the Prior Ordinance shall apply to the Series 2010 Bonds issued pursuant to this Ordinance, the same as though each of said provisions were repeated in this Ordinance in detail; the purpose of this Ordinance being to authorize the issuance of additional revenue bonds of subordinate lien with respect to the Outstanding Bonds to finance the cost of acquiring and constructing additions, extensions and improvements to the System, additional bonds of subordinate standing with the Outstanding Bonds for such purpose being

authorized by the provisions of the Prior Ordinance, upon the conditions therein stated, which conditions have been fully met.

Section 5. Issuance of Series 2010 Bonds. Details. The Series 2010 Bonds of the Issuer, to be designated 2010 WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM JUNIOR LIEN REVENUE BONDS (LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION), are authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal sum of not to exceed Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,400,000) as finally determined by order of the MDEQ for the purpose of paying part of the cost of the Project, including the costs incidental to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Series 2010 Bonds. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be payable out of the Net Revenues, as set forth more fully in Section 8 hereof, provided that the Series 2010 Bonds shall be subordinate to the prior lien with respect to the Net Revenues in favor of the Outstanding Bonds and of any additional bonds of equal standing with the Outstanding Bonds hereafter issued. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be in the form of a single fully-registered, nonconvertible bond of the denomination of the full principal amount thereof, dated as of the date of delivery, payable in principal installments as finally determined by the order of the MDEQ at the time of sale of the Series 2010 Bonds and approved by the Authority and an Authorized Officer. Principal installments of the Series 2010 Bonds shall be payable on October 1 of the years 2011 to 2030, inclusive, or such other payment dates as hereinafter provided. Interest on the Series 2010 Bonds shall be payable on April 1 and October 1 of each year, commencing October 1, 2010 or on such other interest payment dates as hereinafter provided. Final determination of the principal amount of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds and the payment dates and amounts of principal installments of the Series 2010 Bonds shall be evidenced by the execution of the Purchase Contract and each of the Authorized Officers is authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Purchase Contract when it is in final form and to make the determinations set forth above; provided, however, that the first principal installment shall be due no earlier than October 1, 2011 and the final principal installment shall be due no later than October 1, 2030 and the total principal amount shall not exceed \$2,400,000. The Series 2010 Bonds shall bear interest at a rate of two and one-half percent (2.50%) per annum on the par value thereof or such other rate as evidenced by execution of the Purchase Contract, but in any event not to exceed the rate permitted by law, and any Authorized Officers as shall be appropriate shall deliver the Series 2010 Bonds in accordance with the delivery instructions of the Authority. The principal amount of the Series 2010 Bonds is expected to be drawn down by the Issuer periodically, and interest on principal amount shall accrue from the date such principal amount is drawn down by the Issuer. The Series 2010 Bonds shall not be convertible or exchangeable into more than one fully-registered bond. Principal of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds shall be payable as provided in the Series 2010 Bond form in this Ordinance. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be subject to optional redemption by the Issuer with the prior written approval of the Authority and on such terms as may be required by the Authority. The Treasurer of the Issuer shall record on the registration books payment by the Issuer of each installment of principal or interest or both when made and the cancelled checks or other records evidencing such payments shall be returned to and retained by the Treasurer. Upon payment by the Issuer of all outstanding principal of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds, the Authority shall deliver the Series 2010 Bonds to the Issuer for cancellation.

Section 6. Execution of Series 2010 Bonds. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of the President and countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of the Clerk and shall have the corporate seal of the Issuer or a facsimile thereof impressed thereon. The Series 2010 Bonds bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of the President and the Clerk sold to the Authority shall require no further authentication.

Section 7. Registration and Transfer. Any Bond may be transferred upon the books required to be kept pursuant to this section by the person in whose name it is registered, in person or by the registered owner's duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of the Bond for cancellation, accompanied by delivery of a duly executed written instrument of transfer in a form approved by the transfer agent. Whenever any Bond or Bonds shall be surrendered for transfer, the Issuer shall execute and the transfer agent shall authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds, for like aggregate principal amount. The transfer agent shall require payment by the bondholder requesting the transfer of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the transfer. The Issuer shall not be required (i) to issue, register the transfer of or exchange any Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of the giving of a notice of redemption of Bonds selected for redemption as described in the form of Series 2010 Bonds contained in Section 13 of this Ordinance and ending at the close of business on the day of that giving of notice, or (ii) to register the transfer of or exchange any Bond so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of Bonds being redeemed in part. The Issuer shall give the transfer agent notice of call for redemption at least 20 days prior to the date notice of redemption is to be given. The transfer agent shall keep or cause to be kept at its principal office sufficient books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds, which shall at all times be open to inspection by the Issuer; and upon presentation for such purpose the transfer agent shall, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe transfer or cause to be transferred on said books Bonds as herebefore provided. If any Bond shall become mutilated, the Issuer, at the expense of the holder of the Bond, shall execute, and the transfer agent shall authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor in exchange and substitution for the mutilated Bond, upon surrender to the transfer agent of the mutilated Bond. If any Bond issued under this Ordinance shall be lost, destroyed or stolen, evidence of the loss, destruction or theft may be submitted to the transfer agent and, if this evidence is satisfactory to both and indemnity satisfactory to the transfer agent shall be given, and if all requirements of any applicable law including Act 354, Public Acts of Michigan, 1972, as amended ("Act 354"), being sections 129.131 to 129.135, inclusive, of the Michigan Compiled Laws have been met, the Issuer, at the expense of the owner, shall execute, and the transfer agent shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor and bearing the statement required by Act 354, or any applicable law hereafter enacted, in lieu of and in substitution for the Bond so lost, destroyed or stolen. If any such Bond shall have matured or shall be about to mature, instead of issuing a substitute Bond the transfer agent may pay the same without surrender thereof.

Section 8. Payment of Series 2010 Bonds; Security; Priority of Lien. Principal of and

interest on the Series 2010 Bonds shall be payable from the Net Revenues. There is hereby recognized the statutory lien upon the whole of the Net Revenues created by this Ordinance which shall be a lien that is junior and subordinate to the lien of the Senior Lien Bonds created by the Prior Ordinance, to continue until payment in full of the principal of and interest on all Bonds payable from the Net Revenues, or until sufficient cash or Sufficient Government Obligations have been deposited in trust for payment in full of the Series 2010 Bonds then outstanding, principal and interest, to maturity, or, if called for redemption, to the date fixed for redemption together with the amount of the redemption premium, if any. Upon deposit of cash or Sufficient Government Obligations, as provided in the previous sentence, the statutory lien shall be terminated with respect to the Series 2010 Bonds, the holders of the Series 2010 Bonds shall have no further rights under this Ordinance except for payment from the deposited funds, and the Series 2010 Bonds shall no longer be considered to be outstanding under this Ordinance. In addition, the Series 2010 Bonds being sold to the Authority, the Issuer hereby pledges its limited tax full faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds. Should the Net Revenues of the System at any time be insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds as the same become due, then the Issuer shall advance from any funds available therefor, or, if necessary, levy taxes upon all taxable property in the Issuer, subject to constitutional and statutory limitations, such sums as may be necessary to pay said principal and interest. The Issuer shall be reimbursed for any such advance from the Net Revenues of the System subsequently received which are not otherwise pledged or encumbered by this Ordinance or the Prior Ordinance.

Section 9. Management, Fiscal Year. The operation, repair and management of the System and the acquiring and constructing of the Project shall continue to be under the supervision and control of the Issuer. The Issuer may employ such person or persons in such capacity or capacities as it deems advisable to carry on the efficient management and operation of the System. The Issuer may make such rules and regulations as it deems advisable and necessary to assure the efficient management and operation of the System. The System shall be operated on the basis of an operating year which shall coincide with the Issuer's fiscal year.

Section 10. Rates and Charges; No Free Service. The rates and charges for service furnished by the System and the methods of collection and enforcement of the collection of the rates shall be those in effect on the date of adoption of this Ordinance and are estimated to be sufficient to provide for the payment of the expenses of administration and operation and such expenses for maintenance of the System as are necessary to preserve the System in good repair and working order, to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds as the same become due and payable, and the maintenance of the reserves, if any, therefore; and to provide for all other obligations, expenditures and funds for the System required by law, the Prior Ordinance and this Ordinance. No free service or use of the System, or service or use of the System at less than cost, shall be furnished by the System to any person, firm, or corporation, public or private, or to any public agency or instrumentality, including the Issuer.

Section 11. Funds and Accounts; Flow of Funds; Junior Lien Bond and Interest Redemption Fund. The funds and accounts established by the Prior Ordinance are hereby continued, provided that a Junior Lien Bond and Interest Redemption Fund shall be established as follows: There shall be established and maintained a separate depository fund designated "Junior Lien Bond and Interest Redemption Fund" (the "Junior Lien Fund"), the moneys on deposit therein from time to time to be used solely for the purpose of paying the principal of, redemption premiums (if any) and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds, and any bonds of equal standing with the Series 2010 Bonds. Out of the Net Revenues remaining in the Receiving Fund after provision has been made for the Operation and Maintenance Fund and only after provision has been made for the Redemption Fund, there shall be set aside monthly in the Junior Lien Fund a sum proportionately sufficient to provide for the payment when due of the current principal of and interest on the Series 2010 Bonds, less any amount in the Junior Lien Fund representing accrued interest on the Series 2010 Bonds. Commencing on April 1, 2010, the amount set aside each month for interest on the Series 2010 Bonds shall be 1/6 of the total amount of interest on the Series 2010 Bonds next coming due. The amount set aside each month for principal on the Series 2010 Bonds, commencing October 1, 2010, shall be 1/12 of the amounts of principal next coming due. If there is any deficiency in the amounts previously set aside, that deficiency shall be added to the next succeeding month's requirements. No moneys shall be set aside and credited to the Junior Lien Fund unless and until the Issuer is current with respect to all required transfers to all other funds under the Prior Ordinance and there is no default in any payments or requirements under the Prior Ordinance. If for any reason there is a failure to make such deposits in the amounts required, then the entire amount of the deficiency shall be set aside and deposited in the Junior Lien Bond Redemption Account out of the Revenues first received thereafter which are not required by this Ordinance to be deposited in the Operation and Maintenance Account or the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund or the Junior Lien Bond Redemption Account, which amount shall be in addition to the regular monthly deposit required during such succeeding month or months.

Section 12. Bond Proceeds. The proceeds of the sale of the Series 2010 Bonds as received by the Issuer shall be deposited in a separate account in a bank or banks qualified to act as depositories of the proceeds of sale under the provisions of Section 15 of Act 94 designated WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM JUNIOR LIEN REVENUE BONDS - CONSTRUCTION FUND (the "Construction Fund"). Moneys in the Construction Fund shall be applied solely in payment of the cost of the Project and any engineering, legal and other expenses incident thereto and to the financing thereof.

Section 13. Bond Form. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be in substantially the following form with such changes or completion as necessary or appropriate to give effect to the intent of this Ordinance and subject to such modifications which may be required by the Michigan Attorney General and the Authority and approved by bond counsel:

REGISTERED OWNER: Michigan Municipal Bond Authority
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: \$2,400,000
DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE: 2010

The VILLAGE OF DEXTER, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan (the "Issuer"), acknowledges itself to owe and for value received hereby promises to pay, primarily out of the hereinafter described Net Revenues of the Issuer's Water Supply System (hereinafter defined), to the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority (the "Authority"), or registered assigns, the Principal Amount shown above, or such portion thereof as shall have been advanced to the Issuer pursuant to a Purchase Contract between the Issuer and the Authority and a Supplemental Agreement by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the State of Michigan acting through the Department of Environmental Quality, in lawful money of the United States of America, unless prepaid or reduced prior thereto as hereinafter provided.

During the time the Principal Amount is being drawn down by the Issuer under this bond, the Authority will periodically provide to the Issuer a statement showing the amount of principal that has been advanced and the date of each advance, which statement shall constitute prima facie evidence of the reported information; provided that no failure on the part of the Authority to provide such a statement or to reflect a disbursement or the correct amount of a disbursement shall relieve the Issuer of its obligation to repay the outstanding Principal Amount actually advanced (subject to any principal forgiveness as provided for in Schedule A), all accrued interest thereon, and any other amount payable with respect thereto in accordance with the terms of this bond. The Principal Amount shall be payable on the dates and in the annual principal installments amounts set forth on the Schedule attached hereto and made a part hereof, and such Schedule may be adjusted if less than \$ is disbursed to the Issuer or if a portion of the Principal Amount is prepaid as provided below, with interest on said principal installments from the date each said installment is delivered to the holder hereof until paid at the rate of two and one-half percent (2.50%) per annum. Interest is first payable on October 1, 2010, and semi-annually thereafter on the first day of April and October of each year, as set forth in the Purchase Contract.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this bond, so long as the Authority is the owner of this bond, (a) this bond is payable as to principal, premium, if any, and interest at The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. or at such other place as shall be designated in writing to the Issuer by the Authority (the "Authority's Depository"); (b) the Issuer agrees that it will deposit with the Authority's Depository payments of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on this bond in immediately available funds by 12:00 noon at least five business days prior to the date on which any such payment is due whether by maturity, redemption or otherwise; in the event that the Authority's Depository has not received the Issuer's deposit by 12:00 noon on the scheduled day, the Issuer shall immediately pay to the Authority as invoiced by the Authority an amount to recover the Authority's administrative costs and lost investment earnings attributable to that late payment; and (c) written notice of any redemption of this bond shall be given by the Issuer and received by the Authority's Depository at least 40 days prior to the date on which such redemption is to be made.

Additional Interest. In the event of a default in the payment of principal or interest hereon when due, whether at maturity, by redemption or otherwise, the amount of such default shall bear interest at the "additional interest" at a rate equal to the rate of interest which is two percent above the Authority's cost of providing funds (as determined by the Authority) to make payment on the bonds of the Authority issued to provide funds to purchase this bond but in no event in excess of the maximum rate of interest permitted by law. The additional interest shall continue to accrue until the Authority has been fully reimbursed for all costs incurred by the Authority (as determined by the Authority) as a consequence of the Issuer's default. Such additional interest shall be payable on the interest payment date following demand of the Authority. In the event that (for reasons other than the default in the payment of any municipal obligation purchased by the Authority) the investment of amounts in the reserve account established by the Authority for the bonds of the Authority issued to provide funds to purchase this bond fails to provide sufficient available funds (together with any other funds which may be made available for such purpose) to pay the interest on outstanding bonds of the Authority issued to fund such account, the Issuer shall and hereby agrees to pay on demand only the Issuer's pro rata share (as determined by the Authority) of such deficiency as additional interest on this bond.

For prompt payment of principal and interest on this bond, the Issuer has irrevocably pledged the revenues of the Water Supply System of the Issuer, including all appurtenances, extensions and improvements thereto (the "Water Supply System"), after provision has been made for reasonable and necessary expenses of operation, maintenance and administration (the "Net Revenues"), and a statutory lien thereon is hereby recognized and created which is junior in standing and priority of lien as to the prior lien of the Issuer's 1999 Water Supply System Revenue Bonds (the "Outstanding Bonds") of the Issuer and of any additional bonds of the Issuer of equal standing and priority of lien with the Outstanding Bonds.

This bond is a single, fully-registered, nonconvertible bond in the principal sum indicated above issued pursuant to the Series 2010 Bonds, any court having jurisdiction in any proper action may appoint a receiver to administer and operate the System on behalf of the Issuer and under the direction of the court, and by and with the approval of the court to perform all of the duties of the officers of the Issuer more particularly set forth herein and in Act 94. The holder or holders of the Series 2010 Bonds shall have all other rights and remedies given by Act 94 and law, for the payment and enforcement of the Series 2010 Bonds and the security therefor.

Section 14. Additional Bonds. The Issuer may issue additional bonds of equal standing with the Series 2010 Bonds for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

(a) To complete the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor. Such bonds shall not be authorized unless the Issuer has executed a certificate evidencing the fact that additional funds are needed to complete the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor and stating the amount that will be required to complete the Project. If such certificate shall be so executed and filed with the Issuer, it shall be the duty of the Issuer to provide for and issue additional revenue bonds in the amount stated in said certificate to be necessary to complete the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications plus an amount necessary to issue such bonds or to provide for part or all of such amount from other sources.

(b) For subsequent repairs, extensions, enlargements and improvements to the System or for subsequent repairs, extensions, enlargements and improvements to the System and for the purpose of refunding part or all of the Junior Lien Bonds then outstanding and paying costs of issuing such additional Junior Lien Bonds. Junior Lien Bonds for such purposes shall not be issued pursuant to this subparagraph (b) unless the Adjusted Net Revenues of the System for the then last two (2) preceding twelve-month operating years or the Adjusted Net Revenues for the last preceding twelve-month operating year, if the same shall be lower than the average, shall be equal to or greater than the average of the maximum amount of principal and interest thereon maturing in any operating year on the then outstanding Senior Lien Bonds, Junior Lien Bonds and on the additional Junior Lien Bonds and on the additional Junior Lien Bonds are to be issued in whole or in part for refunding outstanding Junior Lien Bonds, the annual principal and interest requirements shall be determined by deducting from the principal and interest requirements for each operating year the annual principal and interest requirements of any Junior Lien Bonds to be refunded from the proceeds of the additional Junior Lien Bonds. For purposes of this subparagraph (b) the Issuer may elect to use as the last preceding operating year any operating year ending not more than sixteen months prior to the date of delivery of the additional Junior Lien Bonds and as the next to the last preceding operating year, any operating year ending not more than twenty-eight months prior to the date of delivery of the additional Junior Lien Bonds. Determination by the Issuer as to existence of conditions permitting the issuance of additional Junior Lien Bonds shall be conclusive. No additional Junior Lien Bonds of equal standing as to the Net Revenues of the System shall be issued pursuant to the authorization contained in this subparagraph (b) if the Issuer shall be in default in making its required payments to the Operation and Maintenance Fund or the Redemption Fund.

(c) For refunding a part or all of the Junior Lien Bonds then outstanding and paying costs of issuing such additional Junior Lien Bonds including deposits which may be required to be made to the bond reserve account for such Junior Lien Bonds. No additional Junior Lien Bonds shall be issued pursuant to this subsection unless the maximum amount of principal and interest maturing in any operating year after giving effect to the refunding shall be less than the maximum amount of principal and interest maturing in any operating year prior to giving effect to the refunding.

Section 16. Negotiated Sale; Application to MDEQ and Authority; Execution of Documents. The Issuer determines that it is in the best interest of the Issuer to negotiate the sale of the Series 2010 Bonds to the Authority because the Drinking Water Revolving Fund financing program provides significant interest savings to the Issuer compared to competitive sale in the municipal bond market. The Authorized Officers are hereby authorized to make application to the Authority and to the MDEQ for placement of the Series 2010 Bonds with the Authority. The actions taken by the Authorized Officers with respect to the Series 2010 Bonds prior to the adoption of this Ordinance are ratified and confirmed. The Authorized Officers are authorized to execute and deliver the Purchase Contract, the Supplemental Agreement and the Issuer's Certificate. Any Authorized Officers is further authorized to execute and deliver such contracts, documents and certificates as are necessary or advisable to qualify the Series 2010 Bonds for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund. Prior to the delivery of the Series 2010 Bonds to the Authority, any Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to make such changes to the form of the Series 2010 Bonds contained in Section 13 of this Ordinance as may be necessary to conform to the requirements of Act 227, Public Acts of Michigan 1985, as amended ("Act 227"), including, but not limited to changes in the principal maturity and interest payment dates and references to additional security required by Act 227.

Section 17. Covenant Regarding Tax Exempt Status of the Bonds. The Issuer shall, to the extent permitted by law, take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exemption of the interest on the Series 2010 Bonds from general federal income taxation (as opposed to any alternative minimum or other indirect taxation) under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including, but not limited to, actions relating to any required rebate of arbitrage earnings and the expenditure and investment of Series 2010 Bonds proceeds and moneys deemed to be Bond proceeds.

Section 18. Approval of Bond Counsel. The representation of the Issuer by Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.C. ("Miller Canfield"), as bond counsel is hereby approved, notwithstanding the representation by Miller Canfield of the Authority in connection with the Drinking Water Revolving Fund program which may include advising the Authority with respect to this borrowing.

Section 19. Approval of Bond Details. The Authorized Officers are each hereby authorized to adjust the final bond details set forth herein to the extent necessary or convenient to complete the transaction authorized herein, and in pursuance of the foregoing is authorized to exercise the authority and make the determination authorized pursuant to Section 7a(1)(c) of Act 94, including but not limited to determinations regarding interest rates, prices, discounts, maturities, principal amounts, denominations, dates of issuance, interest payment dates, redemption rights, the place of delivery and payment, and other matters provided that the principal amount of Series 2010 Bonds issued shall not exceed the principal amount authorized in this Ordinance, the interest rate per annum on the Series 2010 Bonds shall not exceed two and one-half percent (2.50%) per annum, and the Series 2010 Bonds shall mature in not more than twenty (20) annual installments.

Section 20. Savings Clause. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or part thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, repealed.

Section 21. Severability. Paragraph Headings and Conflict. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. The paragraph headings in this Ordinance are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be part of this Ordinance.

Section 22. Publication and Recordation. This Ordinance shall be published in full in The Dexter Leader, a newspaper of general circulation in the Issuer qualified under State law to publish legal notices, promptly after its adoption, and shall be recorded in the Ordinance Book of the Issuer and such record authenticated by the signatures of the President and the Village Clerk.

Section 23. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication.

ADOPTED AND SIGNED THIS 23rd day of November, 2009.

Publish December 3, 2009

Maturity Date	Principal Amount
October 1, 2011	\$ 95,000
October 1, 2012	\$ 95,000
October 1, 2013	\$100,000
October 1, 2014	\$100,000
October 1, 2015	\$105,000
October 1, 2016	\$105,000
October 1, 2017	\$110,000
October 1, 2018	\$110,000
October 1, 2019	\$115,000
October 1, 2020	\$115,000
October 1, 2021	\$120,000
October 1, 2022	\$125,000
October 1, 2023	\$125,000
October 1, 2024	\$130,000
October 1, 2025	\$135,000
October 1, 2026	\$135,000
October 1, 2027	\$140,000
October 1, 2028	\$145,000
October 1, 2029	\$145,000
October 1, 2030	\$150,000

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MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Catalina Yanez, a single woman and Brenda Buenrostro, a single woman, as joint tenants to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Pathway Financial, L.L.C., Mortgagee, dated March 30, 2007, and recorded on April 9, 2007, in Liber 481683, Page 1095, Wayne County Records. Said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2007-ASAP2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by an Assignment of Mortgage dated February 19, 2009 and recorded February 27, 2009 in Liber 47734, Page 731, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Three and 23/100 (\$130,953.23) including interest at the rate of 5.520000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Wayne County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 01:00 PM on December 17, 2009. Said premises are situated in the City of Allen Park, Wayne County, Michigan, and are described as: Westerly 28 Feet of Lot 197 and East 12 Feet of Lot 198 and 1/2 vacated alley at the rear thereof, outer drive Autopark Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 61, Page 32 of Plate, Wayne County records. Commonly known as: 14648 University Street. The redemption period shall be 8 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: November 18, 2009
 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2007-ASAP2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates 43252 Woodward Avenue Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 248-335-9200 Case No. 09000004046-1 ASAP# 3347896 11/19/2009 11/28/2009 12/03/2009 12/10/2009

AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated January 27, 2006, and recorded on February 15, 2006, in Liber 4538, on Page 843, and assigned by said mortgagee to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR IXIS REAL ESTATE CAPITAL TRUST 2006-HE2 as assigned, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Nine Dollars and Seventy-Six Cents (\$199,909.76), Including Interest at 3.000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, inside the Main Lobby of the Washtenaw County Courthouse, Huron Street entrance, Ann Arbor, Michigan at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 7, 2010 Said premises are located in Washtenaw County, Michigan and are described as: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17, TOWN 3 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, SHARON TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE BOUNDARY OF SAID PARCEL BEING DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 17, TOWN 3 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE EAST SECTION LINE 672.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 676.51 FEET THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST 675.49 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 676.51 FEET THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST SECTION LINE 675.49 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 946CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: November 30, 2009 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR IXIS REAL ESTATE CAPITAL TRUST 2006-HE2 Mortgage/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23936 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 ASAP# 3361363
2/23/2009, 12/10/2009, 12/17/2009, 2/24/2009.

was 4480 South M-52, Chelsea, Michigan 48118, died November 12, 2009. Creditors of the deceased Settlor are notified that all claims against the Trust and estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustee, Marilyn Mast, of 4776 South M-52, Chelsea, Michigan 48118, within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice. The Trustee is serving as a result of the Settlor's death.

Notice is further given that the Trust estate will be administered, assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

KEUSCH, FLINTOFT & CONLIN, P.C.
BY: **PETER C. FLINTOFT (P-13531)**
119 South Main, P.O. Box 187
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Published December 3, 2009

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. 09-883-DE**

Estate of John Holzhoffer
Date of Birth: December 16, 1909
NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, John Holzhoffer, who lived at 18924 W. Austin Road, Manchester Township, Michigan, 48158 died September 6, 1995.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Terri Jones, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 101 E. Huron, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, MI 48107 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Chalgian & Tripp Law Offices, PLLC
Richard C. Mills, Attorney (P88618)
2127 Spring Arbor Road
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Terri Jones,
200 E. Southern Ave., Space 97
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RECOMMENDED BY BOB VILA

New advanced portable heater is guaranteed to make large cuts in your heating bills

Heats a large room in minutes with even heat wall to wall and floor to ceiling

Does not get hot, cannot start a fire and will not reduce humidity or oxygen

By John Whitehead, Media Services

A new advanced quartz infrared portable heater, the EdenPURE® GEN3, is guaranteed to make large cuts in your heating bills.

You have probably heard about the remarkable EdenPURE® which has been recommended by the top home improvement experts Bob Vila and Leslie Segrete and on television features across the nation.

The EdenPURE® GEN3 can pay for itself in a matter of weeks and then start putting a great deal of extra money in your pocket after that.

And that's just the start of the benefits for the new EdenPURE® GEN3 Quartz Infrared Portable Heater.

A major cause of residential fires in the United States is portable heaters. But the EdenPURE® cannot cause a fire. That is because the quartz infrared heating element never gets to a temperature that can ignite anything.

The outside of the EdenPURE® only gets warm to the touch so that it will not burn children or pets. Pets can sleep on it when it is operating without harm.

The EdenPURE® will also make you healthier. That is because, unlike other heating sources, it will not reduce humidity or oxygen in the room. Typical heating sources reduce humidity which dries out your sinuses, makes you more susceptible to illness and makes your skin dry. With other heating sources, you'll notice that you get sleepy when the heat comes on because they are burning up oxygen.

The advanced space-age EdenPURE® Quartz Infrared Portable Heater also heats the room evenly, wall-to-wall and floor-to-ceiling. Other heating sources heat rooms unevenly with most of the heat concentrated high in the room and to the center of the room. And, as you know, portable heaters only heat an area a few feet around the heater. With the EdenPURE®, the temperature will not vary in any part of the room.

Unlike other heating sources, the EdenPURE® cannot put poisonous carbon monoxide into a room or any type of fumes or any type of harmful radiation.

For more details on the amazing EdenPURE® GEN3 Quartz Infrared Portable Heater, here is my interview with Julius Toth, Director of Product Development for BioTech Research®.

Q. What is the origin of this amazing heating element in the EdenPURE®?

A. This advanced heating element was discovered accidentally by a man named John Jones. He had a large old farmhouse that was impossible to heat. Jones had a coal furnace in his basement. Jones placed a sheet of cured copper near the furnace to store it. Cured copper is a type of copper that goes through an extensive heating process to give it special properties.

After the fire went out in the coal furnace, Jones noticed that the sheet of copper was heating his entire basement evenly, even though the furnace was no longer putting out heat. He also was amazed as to how long the

Never be cold again



Cannot start a fire; a child or animal can touch or sit on it without harm



heat stayed in the copper and continued to warm the room.

Jones was so taken back by this that he started to experiment. He formed a company to develop a heating source out of this cured copper. But Jones had a number of children and he did not want a heating source that would cause a fire or create other hazardous situations like creating carbon monoxide or radiation. He also did not want his children to get burned.

To make a long story short, through a great deal of research and development, Jones developed a heating source that utilized commercial infrared quartz tubes.

Q. What advantages does infrared quartz tube heating source have over other heating source products?

A. John Jones designed his heating source around the three most important consumer benefits: economy, comfort, and safety. The final development of this infrared quartz tube heating source cannot be matched by any other heating system in the world.

In the EdenPURE® system, electricity is used to generate infrared light which, in turn, creates a very safe heat. Infrared is the safest form of heat because it does not create carbon monoxide or harmful radiation. And, most importantly, infrared heat does not reach a burning temperature.

After a great deal of research and development, very efficient infrared heat chambers were developed that utilize three unique patented solid copper heat exchangers in one Eden-

PURE® heater. Over 5 years of research, development and real life field testing stand behind this heat source. It has now worked in residential and commercial applications worldwide for over 25 years.

Q. Why is it that this quartz infrared heating source uses less energy to create heat than other sources?

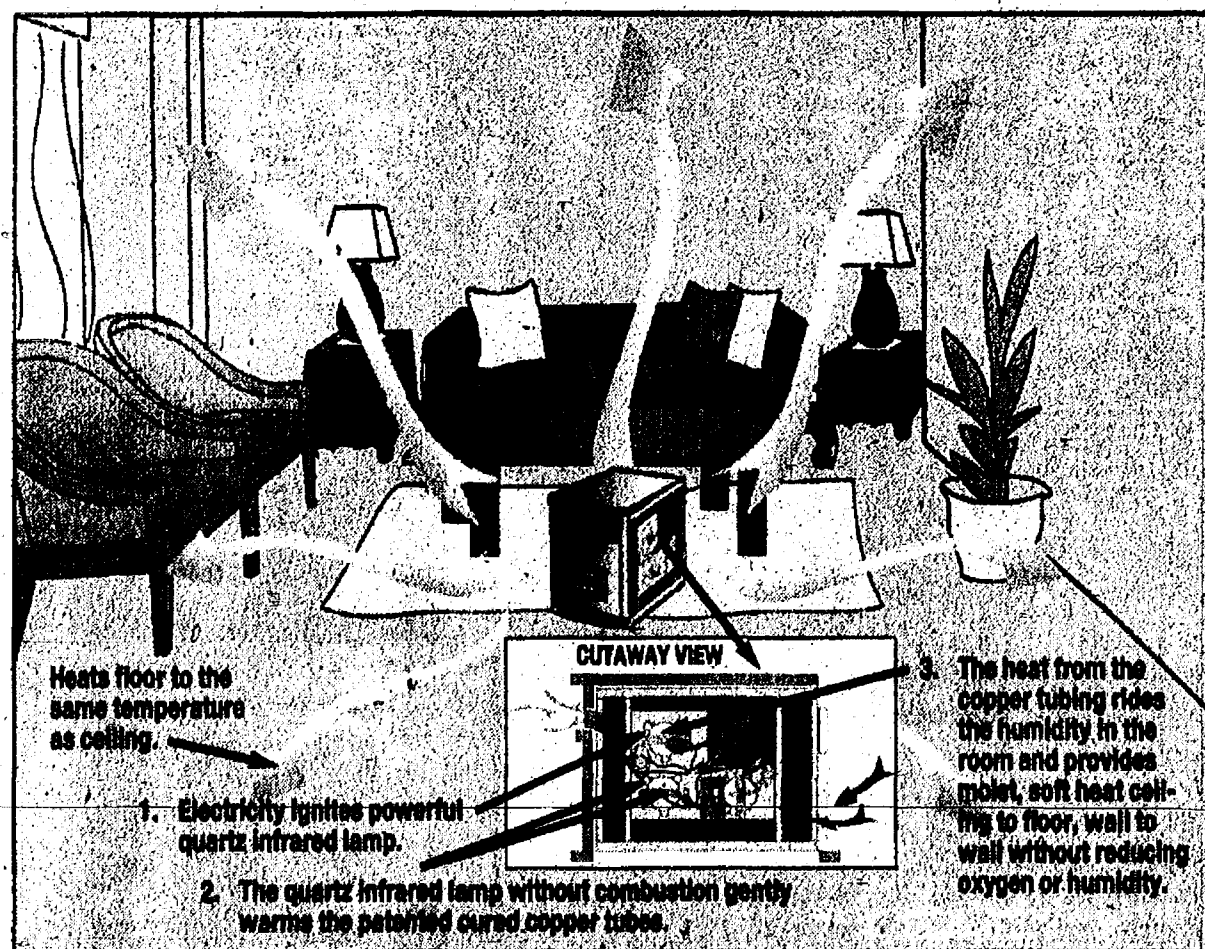
A. Actually, there is more than one reason. One of the primary reasons is that heat at combustion level, which is what all other heat sources use, causes the heat to instantly rise to the ceiling. Therefore, the heat is not evenly distributed, causing a very inefficient and uncomfortable heat source.

The EdenPURE® GEN3 Quartz Infrared Portable Heater does not use burning heat. Once the heat exchanger absorbs the infrared heat, it exhales the heat into the living area which is carried by the existing humidity in the air. This causes the heat to travel rapidly and evenly throughout a room.

In actual studies, photos using infrared lighting demonstrated that the heat was almost perfectly even from floor-to-ceiling and wall-to-wall. The EdenPURE® Quartz Infrared efficiency is based on the distribution of energized air, not on just fan movement. This heat is coined as "soft heat" due to how comfortable it is.

Q. What are the other disadvantages of combustion heat sources?

A. Heat sources that are



above the burning level have many unhealthy side effects. One of these is that it creates dry, irritating indoor air. It also burns a great deal of oxygen in the air. If you remember, when you sit in front of a fireplace or a portable heater or close to a heat source, you will remember yawning. This is because you are not getting enough oxygen.

This dry irritating heat and lack of oxygen dries out sinuses and mucus in the throat, and makes people susceptible to illness. The lack of oxygen causes fatigue.

Also, many combustible heat sources produce carbon monoxide, static cling, and some produce radiation.

Q. So you're saying that children or pets can come up to this unit and touch it and not be harmed?

A. That is absolutely correct. As a matter of fact, pets are actually drawn to this heat because it is a natural source of heat, just like the sun heats the earth. Animals are much more instinctive than humans. This heat not only heats the air, but it also heats the objects in the room. It is a perfectly balanced heat.

Q. How can a person be guaranteed to make large cuts in their heating bills with the EdenPURE®?

A. First, the EdenPURE® uses less energy to create heat than other sources, but that is just part of why it will cut a person's heating bill. The EdenPURE® will heat a room in minutes. Therefore, you can turn the heat down in your house to as low as 50 degrees, but the room you are occupying, which has the EdenPURE®, will be warm and comfortable. The EdenPURE® is portable. When you move to another room, it will quickly heat that room also. This can drastically cut heating bills.

Q. I also understand that the EdenPURE® produces clean fresh air without furnace filters. How can it do that?

A. A furnace generates a lot of dust due to the combustion. By lowering the furnace temperature, you are using your furnace less and therefore reducing the requirement for the furnace filters. Also, when there's no combustion, there are no harmful fumes.

Q. So, the EdenPURE®

How it works:

GEN3 is totally safe to use?

A. It absolutely is. The EdenPURE® has zero clearance, which means you can push it up against the wall or furniture without risk of fire. Tests prove the unit does not transmit any energy into the atmosphere that will burn or harm anyone regardless of distance between the person and the EdenPURE®.

The EdenPURE® will pay for itself in weeks. It will put a great deal of extra money in a user's pocket. Because of today's spiraling gas, oil, propane, and other energy costs, the EdenPURE® will provide even greater savings as the time goes by.

The EdenPURE® GEN3 comes in 2 models. The GEN3 Model 500 which heats a room up to 300 square feet and the GEN3 Model 1000 which heats a room up to 1,000 square feet.

End of interview. Readers who wish can obtain the EdenPURE® Quartz Infrared Portable Heater at a \$75 discount if they order in the next 10 days. Please see the Special Readers Discount Coupon on this page. For those readers ordering after 10 days from the date of this publication, we reserve the right to either accept or reject order requests at the discounted price.

SPECIAL READER'S DISCOUNT COUPON

The price of the EdenPURE® GEN3 Model 500 is \$372 plus \$17 shipping for a total of \$389 delivered. The GEN3 Model 1000 is \$472 plus \$27 shipping and handling for a total of \$499 delivered. People reading this publication get a \$75 discount plus free shipping and handling and pay only \$297 delivered for the GEN3 Model 500 and \$397 delivered for the GEN3 Model 1000 if you order within 10 days. The EdenPURE® GEN3 comes in the decorator color of black with burl wood accent which goes with any decor. There is a strict limit of 3 units at the discount price - no exceptions please.

Check below which model and number you want:

☐ GEN3 Model 500, number _____

☐ GEN3 Model 1000, number _____

• To order by phone, call TOLL FREE 1-800-588-5608 Authorization Code EHS2255. Place your order by using your credit card. Operators are on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

• To order online, log on to www.edenpure.com enter Authorization Code EHS2255

• To order by mail, by check or credit card, fill out and mail in this coupon.

This product carries a 60-day satisfaction guarantee. If you are not totally satisfied, your purchase price will be refunded. No questions asked. There is also a three year warranty.

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STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____

Check below to get discount:

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☐ I am ordering past 10 days of the date of this publication, therefore I pay shipping and handling and full price totaling \$389 for GEN3 Model 500 and \$499 for GEN3 Model 1000.

Enclosed is \$_____ in: ☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Money Order (Make check payable to BioTech Research) or charge my:

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Canton, OH 44767

An appetizing evening for 4-H

More than 25 4-H members and some adults from across the county attended a 4-H appetizer workshop presented by Patricia Murdock and Pam Farrell and sponsored by the 4-H Still Projects Committee on Nov. 20. Youngsters from Dexter and Chelsea were among those on hand for the workshop.

Photos by Lisa Allmendinger



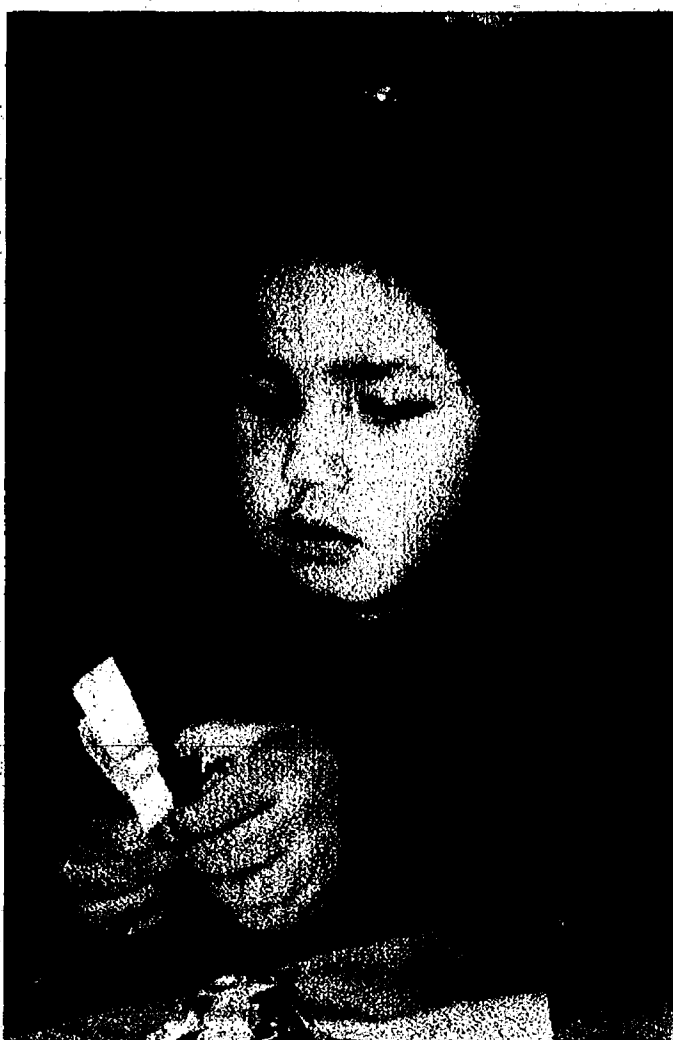
Amy Gilbert, 11, of Chelsea, and her snowman made of banana, an apple, a grape. The member of Roger's Corners 4-H Club was one of about 28 4-Hers and adults from around the county who participated in a 4-H appetizer workshop on Nov. 20 presented by Patricia Murdock and Pam Farrell and sponsored by the 4-H Still Projects Committee.



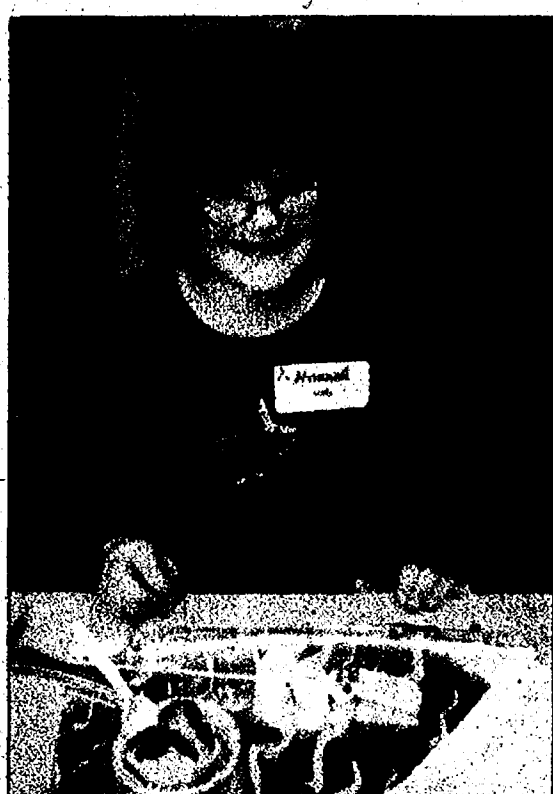
Amanda Brenniger, 13, of Dexter, tastes an appetizer during the 4-H appetizer workshop. She's a member of the Roger's Corners 4-H Club.



Makenna Kern, 9, of Chelsea makes a sweet dip during a 4-H appetizer workshop on Nov. 20 presented by Patricia Murdock and Pam Farrell and sponsored by the 4-H Still Projects Committee. She's a member of the Roger's Corners 4-H Club.



Sabrina Luckhardt, 4, of Dexter, makes a snowman during the 4-H appetizer workshop. She's a member of the Cloverleaf 4-H Club.



Hannah Hicks, 8, of Dexter, shows off a snowman she made during a 4-H appetizer workshop.



Emily Hicks, 10, of Dexter, makes a snowman out of bananas, grapes and apples.



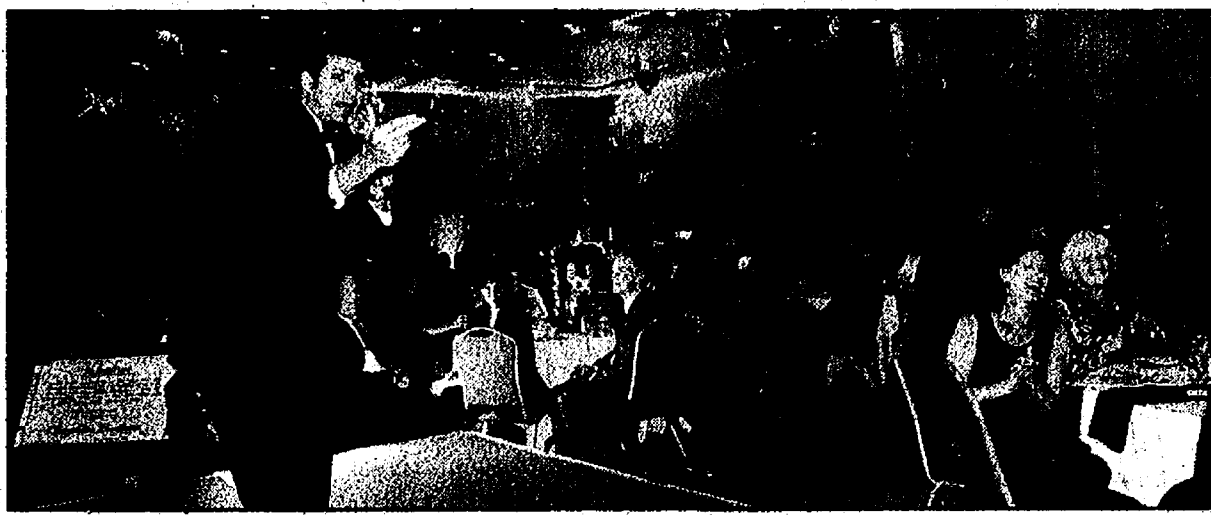
Krickett Luckhardt, 18, of Dexter, makes a smiley face on a cucumber. She's a member of the Cloverleaf 4-H Club.



Paige Bartkowiak, 14, of Dexter and her mom, Evelyn Smith of Dexter, make a sweet dip during a 4-H appetizer workshop. Paige is a member of the Silver Leaf 4-H Club.

www.heritage.com

December 3, 2009

**SOLD!!!**

Auctioneer Chris Aslainian kept things rolling along at the fifth annual March of Dimes Signature Chefs Auction held Nov. 2 at the Four Points Sheraton in Ann Arbor. Guests were treated to gourmet food from several of the area's top chefs and bid on packages created to feature each of the participating restaurants. Participants also bid on trips to Las Vegas, Harbor Springs, Beaver Island and Homestead Resort near Traverse City, and even on a Maltese-mix female puppy. A silent auction also was held. A highlight of the evening was "Fund the Mission," raising more than \$45,000.

Theater partners with Toys for Tots

This holiday season, Performance Network Theatre will be collecting donations for Toys for Tots, the charity that distributes toys as Christmas gifts to needy children in the community in which the campaign is conducted.

To stimulate donations, Performance Network is offering \$10 off an adult ticket to "Christmas Carol'd" for every

new, unwrapped toy donated. Toys can be dropped off at Performance Network Theatre, 120 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor, through Dec. 14. "Christmas Carol'd" by Joseph Zettlmaier presents a cool take on a classic tale as five actors take the audience on a journey of imagination to the heart of a beloved classic. The play runs through

Dec. 27. Tickets are available for purchase through the box office by calling 663-0681 or by visiting Performance Network at 120 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor. Patrons must mention their Toys for Tots donation while ordering tickets to receive the discount. Limit one discount per ticket.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

All the Trimmings Craft Show
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Chelsea Fairgrounds. Free refreshments, free admission, free parking. Call 475-2159 for information.

22nd Hometown Holidays
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, activities around Chelsea. Visit www.chelseafestivals.com or call 475-1145.

Tree Lighting Ceremony
6 p.m. Friday, Pierce Park, Chelsea. Santa arrives in American Legion Vulture 957 train. Then visit with Santa at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St.

Hometown Holidays Concert
7 p.m. Friday, First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St.

Common Chords Bell Choir
7 p.m. Friday, Chelsea District Library, 221 S. Main St.

Nutcracker Ballet
7 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Chelsea High School Auditorium, 740 N. Freer Road. Call 475-3070 or visit www.youthdancetheatre.org.

Best Christmas Pageant Ever
7:30 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Beach Middle School, 445 Mayer Drive, Chelsea. \$5. Tickets at Chelsea Pharmacy, at www.chelseareplayers.org, at the door or call 1-800-838-8006.

Breakfast with Santa
8:30 a.m. Saturday, Chelsea Comfort Inn, 1645 Commerce Park Drive, Chelsea. Also, Holiday Buffet with Santa 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sunday. Call 433-8000.

Christmas on the Farm
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Waterloo Farm Museum, 9998 Waterloo Munith Road, Waterloo. Phone 1-517-596-2254.

Visit with Santa
1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Chelsea Center for the Arts, 400 Congdon St. Call 433-2787.

Gingerbread House Workshop
2 p.m. Saturday, Chelsea District Library, 221 S. Main St. To reserve, call 475-8732.

Hometown Holidays Parade
5:30 p.m. Saturday, Main Street, followed by After-Parade Party and Community Sing, 7 to 9 p.m. Chelsea Teddy Bear Factory in the Clock Tower Complex.

Holiday Concert

3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Chelsea Chamber Players, at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St.

Festival of Lessons and Carols
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Chelsea Retirement Community Chapel, 805 W. Middle Street in Chelsea.

SALINE

Moonlight Madness Craft Show
5 to 11 p.m. Friday, Saline Middle School, 7190 N. Maple Road, Saline. More than 135 crafters from Michigan, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. Cost: \$2

Tree Lighting Ceremony
7 p.m. Friday, downtown at Ann Arbor Street and Michigan Ave.

Best Christmas Pageant Ever
7 p.m. Friday, 1 and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. Sunday, Saline Area Players, at 117 S. Ann Arbor St.

Holiday Parade and Activities
5:30 p.m. Saturday, followed by Santa's Village, 117 S. Ann Arbor St. Caroling, "Hustle & Bustle" shopping, Saline Fiddlers, Saline Twirlettes, New Horizons Band, One Voice Gospel Choir and more.

Holiday Sale
Saturday through Dec. 18 at Two Twelve Arts Center, 212 W. Michigan Ave.

Home for the Holidays
1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Historic District Tour, Begins at Union School. Tickets \$3.

Fiddlers ReStrung Concert
2 p.m. Sunday, benefit concert for Toys for Tots, Saline High School, 1300 Campus Parkway.

One Voice Choir Performance
7 p.m. Saturday, A Gospel Christmas Celebration at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 122 W. Michigan Ave., Saline. At 5 p.m., enjoy desserts and coffee, and browse crafts. Canned goods may be brought for Saline Social Service. Call 439-8462.

A Christmas Carol
3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Liberty School, 7265 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Costs \$5.

Remote-Controlled Car Racing
10:30 a.m.-midnight, Saturday, Washtenaw RC Raceway. Off-road dirt-track racing for stock and modified model electric trucks and buggies. Spectators welcome.

Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Free. \$16 to race. 1-313-565-2815.

Christmas Prayer Breakfast
7:30 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, Washtenaw County Prayer Breakfast at Washtenaw Christian Academy, 7200 Moon Road in Saline, with speaker Brad Powell, senior pastor of Northridge Church. Tickets are \$10, tables eight are \$70 and includes the buffet breakfast. To reserve seats, call WCA at 429-7733.

MILAN

Christmas Parade
6 p.m. Saturday, Main Street, with Toyland theme.

Goodie and Craft Sale
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Marble Memorial United Methodist Church, 8 Park St., Milan.

Holiday Extravaganza
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Milan Senior and Community Activity Center, 45 Nickel, Milan. As a fund-raiser the Vietnam Veterans, will sell food and beverages and raffle items to continue sending care packages overseas to military.

Sunday Afternoon Performance
3:30 p.m. Sunday, Saline New Horizons Band: Marble Memorial United Methodist Church, 8 Park St., Milan.

DEXTER

Painted Trout Open House
5 to 10 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. The Painted Trout specializes in gifts for fly-fishing and wing-shooting. Open house is a party and sale with free refreshments and live music. 12075 Island Lake Road, Dexter. Call 424-4822

Home for the Holidays
5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, caroling and Christmas music, shopping, ice carving. Festivities begin with annual tree lighting in Monument Park, with carols, and continue on Saturday. Santa will be at the gazebo in Monument Park 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday. Call 426-0887.

Breakfast with Santa
8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Saturday Lighthouse Café, 8124 Main St.

Lunch with Santa
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Alpha Coney Restaurant, 7049 Dexter Ann Arbor Road, Dexter.

Holiday Hustle 5k Run/Walk
4 p.m. Saturday, Holiday Hustle 5k Run/Walk 1 mile Kid

Blackbird Theater to move, suspend seventh season

After years in its location on Ann Arbor's Pauline Boulevard, the Blackbird Theatre is moving. The company will temporarily suspend its seventh season while it makes a move to its new location in downtown Ann Arbor.

A \$50,000 capital campaign has begun, with already \$20,000 in matching funds. The decision comes after several successful seasons and a desire for further growth, according to a news release from the organization.

"We have loved being where we are," said Founding Artistic Director Barton Bund. "But we feel that we have reached a bursting point. Our schedule has expanded, our productions are much bigger, and we are ready to make a huge leap forward."

The Blackbird Theatre moved into the Children's Creative Center in 2003.

The school shared its space with the company, and collaborated to raise money for the Kidz in Need Scholarship Fund, helping pay for scholarships for homeless and disadvantaged children.

The theater's community

involvement grew through the years, working with the Children's Creative Center on large summer musicals with the children, and other fundraising events. In 2007, the Blackbird Theatre Academy was founded as a free youth program for area students to work onstage and backstage in the Blackbird's creative environment.

The theater's new location will be revealed in the coming weeks, according to the written statement, while negotiations are firm up.

The Blackbird will present "If Only in My Dreams," its final production of the 2009 calendar year. The production will run in the current space through Dec. 6, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m.

The production will move to the sh-a-u-t Gallery and Cabaret in Ann Arbor's Kerrytown district for its final weekend, Dec. 11 through 13. The company will then temporarily suspend its 2009-10 season until relocating.

Night Life

Live music

The Ark
316 S. Main, Ann Arbor
Telephone: 761-1451
Web site: <http://theark.org>

Thursday: Jackpierce, 8 p.m., \$20 (rock/pop).
Friday: Student Songwriter Series: The Ark at UMMA, 7 p.m., free.
Friday: Orpheum Bell CD Release Party, 8 p.m., \$15.

Saturday: WPA, 8 p.m., \$20.
Sunday: Lee Murdock "The Christmas Ship Show," 7:30 p.m., \$15.
Tuesday: Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band — "A calypso Christmas," 8 p.m., \$15.

The Blind Pig
208 S. First St.
Telephone: 996-8555
Web site: www.blindpig-music.com

Thursday: Belt Habubot with Farewell Republic, \$15/student, \$25/public, 18 and older, 8 p.m.
Friday: Ann Arbor Soul Club with Robert Wells and Brad Hales, \$5/under 21, \$8, 18 and older, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday: Nomo, \$10 cover, 18 and older, 9:30 p.m.

Cavern Club
Four clubs in one at 210 South First St.
Telephone: 332-9900
Web site: www.cavernclubannarbor.com
Every Wednesday and Thursday: Live bluegrass. No cover. New band each week.

Conor O'Neill's
318 S. Main St.
Telephone: 665-2968
Web site: www.conoroneill.com
Thursday: Count Bracey and The Pleasure Tones, 9:30 p.m.
Friday: DJ Big Daddie, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Saturday: Jeremy and Joshua Sprague, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday: Traditional Irish session, 7:30 p.m. Sticks Karaoke, 10 p.m.
Monday: Pub Trivia, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Restaurant Appreciation Night.
Wednesday: Music Trivia with Barry Aherne, 9 p.m.

Crazy Wisdom Tea Room
114 S. Main St.
Telephone: 665-9468
Web site: www.crazywisdom.net
Tea and Tunes 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. No cover charge.

Goodnite Gracie
301 W. Huron St.
Telephone: 752-5740
Web site: www.goodnite-gracie.com

The Habitat Ultralounge
The lounge at Weber's

Inn: features dance bands
3050 Jackson Road
Telephone: 665-3636
Web site: www.weber-sinn.com/bar

Live dancing with the area's best bands.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:45 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Friday and Saturday 8:45 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.
Thursday: Justine Blazer
Friday, Saturday: Scoot Magoo

Sunday: NFL Sundays games in high-definition television.
Monday: DJ Mechial White the Groovematist
Tuesday and Wednesday: Identical Strangers

The Heidelberg's Club Above
215 N. Main St.
Telephone: 663-7758
Web site: www.heidelbergannarbor.com

Guy Hollerlin's at the Holiday Inn
3600 Plymouth Road
Telephone: 769-4323
Web site: www.hiannarbor.com/dining.php
Friday: Rick Stiel Project
Saturday: The Bluescasters

Live at PJs
301 W. Huron St.
Telephone: 752-5740
Web site: www.liveatpjs.com

The club features live music five nights a week. Every Wednesday is Salsa Night.

Old Town Tavern
122 W. Liberty St.
Telephone: 662-9291
Web site: www.OLDTOWN-AA.COM

Sunday night music features live music from 8 to 10 p.m. focusing on local talent.
Sunday: Timothy Monger

Rick's American Cafe
611 Church St.
Telephone: 996-2747
Web site: ricksamericancafe.com/
Fridays and Saturdays: Live music. No cover before 9 p.m.

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase
314 E. Liberty St.
Telephone: 996-9080
Web site: www.aacomedy.com

Thursday, Friday, Saturday: Dan Grueter
Wednesday: Open Mic 8 p.m. Alcohol is served. \$5.

Black Pearl Seafood and Martini Bar
302 S. Main Street, Ann Arbor
Telephone: 222-0400
Web site: www.blackpearlmain.com

Features live music on Wednesdays 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. No cover.
Wednesday: Laith Al-Saadi



Thompson's Pizzeria owner Linda Collins helps the children make their own pizzas.



Students Owen and Anna watch as the pizzas move through the oven.

Nutritional pizza

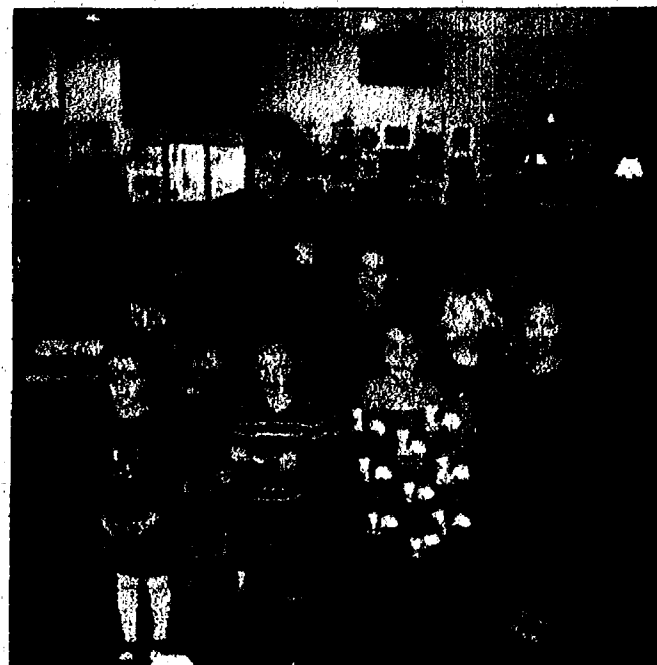
Lambs of Our Savior Preschool students, with the financial assistance of grant money from Moore Pediatrics for healthy eating studies, recently visited Thompson's Pizzeria in Chelsea as part of their nutrition studies.



Students and their families enjoy their pizzas.



Carter and his mom, Suzanne, wash their hands before cooking.



The students present their thank-you poster to Linda.



Linda takes the children on a tour of her kitchen.

AccuWeather.com SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Colder with flurries	Rather cloudy, flurries	Snow showers possible	Partly sunny and chilly	Mostly cloudy	Mostly cloudy	Partly sunny	Snow
36° to 42°	20° to 26°	28° to 34° 16° to 22°	28° to 34° 15° to 21°	33° to 39° 18° to 24°	33° to 39° 20° to 26°	34° to 40° 16° to 22°	29° to 35° 13° to 19°

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Statistics for the week ending Monday, Nov. 30

Temperatures:	
High/low for the week	50°/23°
Normal high/low	42°/29°
Average temperature	39.4°
Normal average temperature	35.0°
Precipitation:	
Total for the week	0.02"
Total for the month	0.05"
Normal for the month	2.99"
Normal for the year	32.51"

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures ● High ● Low

49	50	45	48	48	38
43	45	36	34	31	24

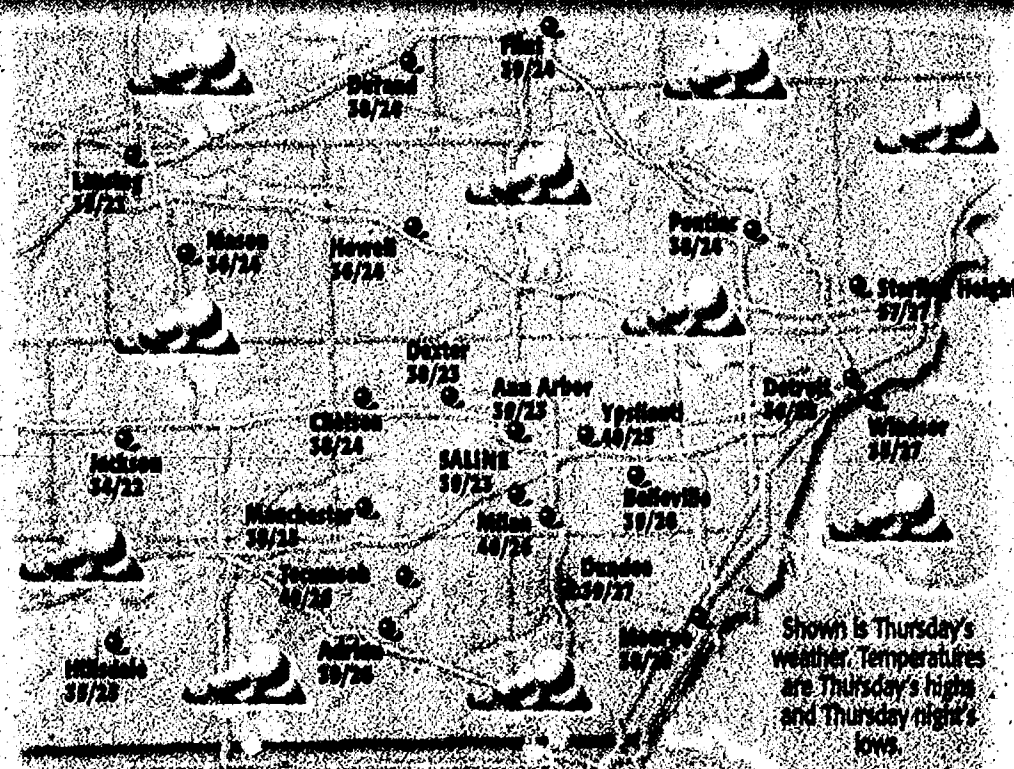
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THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

Weekly UV Index and RealFeel Temperature*

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27	16	23	25	25	42	23
Thu.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection: 0-2 Low; 3-5 Moderate; 6-7 High; 8-10 Very High; 11+ Extreme. The patented AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature is an exclusive index of effective temperature based on eight weather factors. Shown are the highs for the day.



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SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Thursday	7:46 a.m.	5:04 p.m.
Friday	7:47 a.m.	5:03 p.m.
Saturday	7:48 a.m.	5:03 p.m.
Sunday	7:49 a.m.	5:03 p.m.
Monday	7:50 a.m.	5:03 p.m.
Tuesday	7:51 a.m.	5:03 p.m.
Wednesday	7:52 a.m.	5:03 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	6:24 p.m.	9:21 a.m.
Friday	7:40 p.m.	10:13 a.m.
Saturday	8:58 p.m.	10:56 a.m.
Sunday	10:15 p.m.	11:31 a.m.
Monday	11:29 p.m.	12:00 p.m.
Tuesday	none	12:26 p.m.
Wednesday	12:41 a.m.	12:50 p.m.

Full

Dec 2

Last

Dec 6

New

Dec 16

First

Dec 24

RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday	Flood stage	Current stage
Ecorse Creek		2.65 ft
Dearborn Heights		
Huron River	16 ft	12.60 ft
Ann Arbor		
Mallett Creek		5.37 ft
Ann Arbor		
Mill Creek		
Dearborn	12 ft	8.36 ft
River Raisin		
Manchester		2.93 ft

Lake Levels	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	580.11 ft	568.57 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	573.83 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Adrian	38/26/sf	33/22/sf	33/21/pc	Marquette	34/24/sf	31/20/sf	32/21/c
Ann Arbor	39/23/sf	31/19/sf	31/18/pc	Midland	39/24/sf	34/20/sf	34/21/c
Battle Creek	38/22/sf	31/21/sf	33/18/pc	Muskegon	38/24/sf	33/20/sf	33/22/c
Bay City	38/25/sf	31/19/sf	32/22/c	Pontiac	38/24/sf	30/22/sf	30/21/pc
Detroit	38/28/sf	33/24/sf	33/24/pc	Port Huron	41/28/sf	34/23/sf	33/23/pc
Flint	39/24/sf	34/21/sf	31/20/pc	Saginaw	37/25/sf	31/19/sf	32/22/c
Grand Rapids	37/28/sf	33/20/sf	34/21/pc	Sault Ste. Marie	35/22/sf	31/22/sf	31/20/c
Kalamazoo	39/25/sf	33/21/sf	34/22/pc	Sturgis	39/24/sf	32/22/c	34/23/pc
Lansing	38/25/sf	33/19/sf	31/22/pc	Traverse City	34/23/sf	30/21/sf	29/22/c
Livonia	38/25/sf	35/22/sf	33/22/pc	Warren	39/27/sf	35/25/sf	32/24/pc

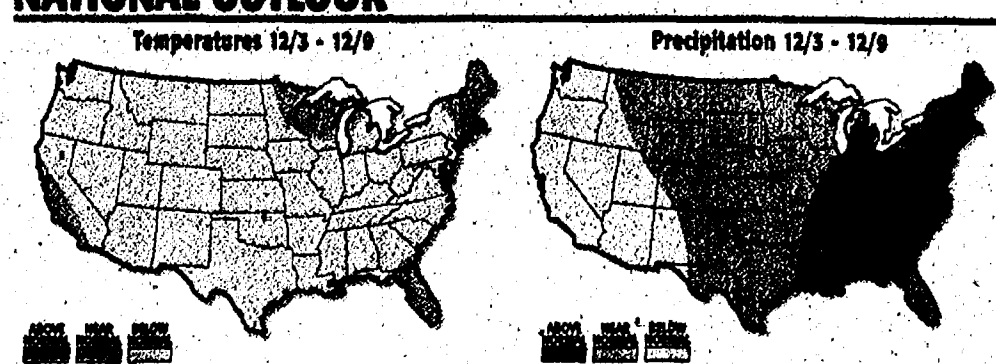
WORLD CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Athens	66/54/pc	63/52/pc	63/54/pc	Montreal	48/28/r	31/23/c	32/23/pc
Berlin	41/36/pc	39/32/sh	37/30/c	Moscow	43/34/r	37/28/c	34/25/c
Buenos Aires	72/48/pc	71/33/s	74/35/pc	Paris	48/41/r	47/38/c	48/39/sh
Cairo	70/53/s	71/57/s	71/55/s	Rio de Janeiro	87/74/r	80/71/r	79/70/r
Calgary	25/12/pc	23/10/s	14/0/sh	Rome	54/34/pc	54/34/pc	54/31/c
Hong Kong	65/55/s	68/57/s	68/58/s	Seoul	46/22/r	45/20/pc	37/26/s
Jakarta	83/61/s	81/62/s	81/61/r	Singapore	84/77/r	83/77/r	83/77/r
Johannesburg	86/59/s	82/60/pc	83/60/r	Sydney	80/60/s	83/62/pc	79/61/c
London	46/36/r	44/37/sh	48/37/r	Tokyo	59/43/r	54/48/pc	61/46/sh
Mexico City	73/45/s	67/40/s	71/45/pc	Warsaw	46/32/pc	50/36/c	48/36/c





NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Atlanta	54/34/s	51/34/pc	43/33/c	Miami	82/68/r	82/70/pc	81/61/r
Boston	63/59/r	49/32/s	43/31/pc	Minneapolis	27/17/sf	25/18/pc	27/16/c
Chicago	37/21/sf	31/18/c	34/22/pc	New Orleans	57/42/r	59/39/pc	59/37/c
Cincinnati	40/26/c	36/25/pc	38/24/pc	New York City	61/43/r	46/38/s	43/33/sn
Cleveland	42/30/sh	33/25/sh	34/23/pc	Orlando	75/56/pc	67/51/r	67/50/r
Dallas	49/32/pc	44/28/pc	57/36/pc	Philadelphia	62/38/pc	47/34/s	43/30/sn
Denver	18/2/pc	28/10/s	31/11/sn	Phoenix	68/40/s	64/35/s	65/40/s
Honolulu	80/71/c	79/66/sh	80/70/s	Pittsburgh	46/29/sh	34/24/c	34/26/pc
Houston	57/40/pc	45/34/c	59/38/pc	St. Louis	44/28/pc	38/28/s	44/31/pc
Kansas City	34/17/pc	35/18/s	42/23/pc	San Francisco	61/44/s	61/46/pc	61/45/c
Las Vegas	60/33/s	53/28/s	58/34/s	Seattle	47/32/s	44/34/pc	43/31/s
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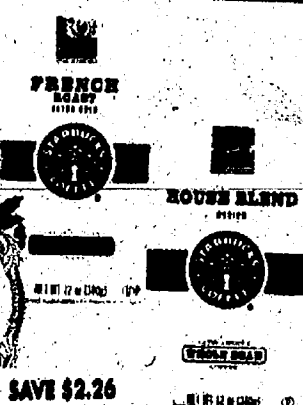
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12 oz.
Selected Varieties

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10.4 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.98

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**KELLOGG'S
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Crispix 12 oz., Raisin
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FAMILY SIZE CEREAL**
Cinnamon Toast Crunch 17 oz.
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SAVE \$1.47



**OUR FAMILY
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64 oz.

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15.25 - 19 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.96

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**RICE A RONI &
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3.8 - 7.2 oz.
Selected Varieties

99¢

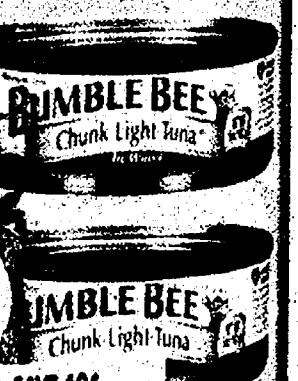
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CHUNK WHITE
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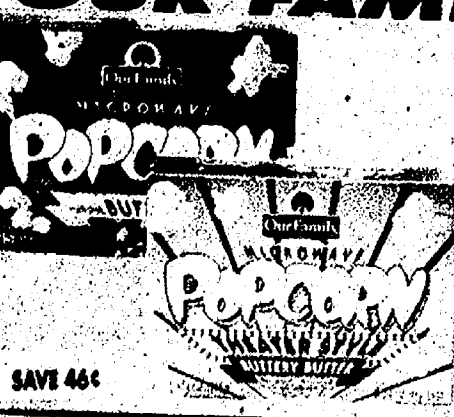


FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOUR FAMILY BRAND SALE!

**OUR FAMILY
MICROWAVE
POPCORN**
3 Pk.
Selected Varieties

99¢

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**OUR FAMILY
POP**
2 Ltr. Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

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SAVE 42¢ on 3



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**OUR FAMILY
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14.5 oz.
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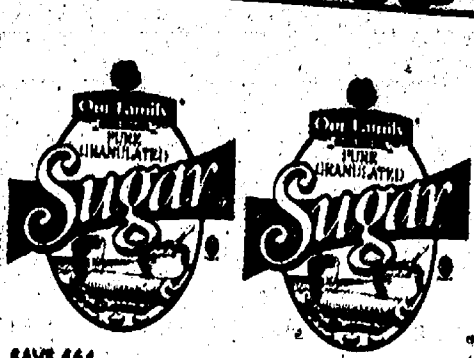
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5 lb.

\$1.99

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**OUR FAMILY
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48 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.99

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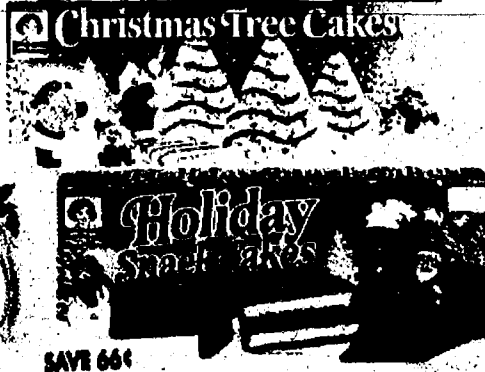


THAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE!

**LITTLE DEBBIE
HOLIDAY SNACK
CAKES**
5.2 - 12.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

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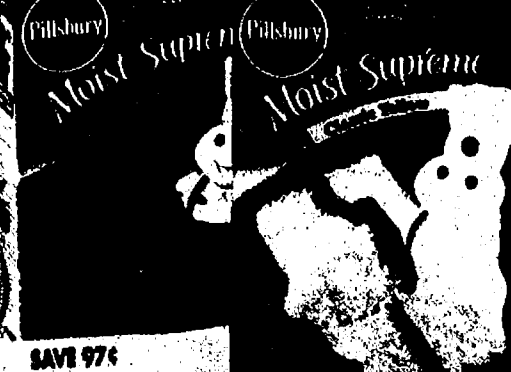
SAVE 66¢



**PILLSBURY
CAKE MIXES**
18 - 18.9 oz.
Selected Varieties

88¢

SAVE 97¢



**NESTLE
BAKING MORSELS**
23 - 24 oz. Value Size
Selected Varieties

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SAVE \$1.96



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8 ct.

99¢

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**PEPPERIDGE FARM
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16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98

SAVE \$1.52 on 2



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PREMIUM
MAYONNAISE**
22 - 30 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.88

SAVE \$1.57



**BROOKS
CHILI BEANS
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14.5 - 15.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

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CANNED
VEGETABLES**
14.5 - 15.25 oz.
Selected Varieties

88¢

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**SWISS MISS
COCOA**
10 ct.
Selected Varieties

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**BISQUICK
BAKING MIX**
20 oz.

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BAKING MIXES**
6.4 - 10.5 oz. Value Size
Selected Varieties

3/\$4.98

SAVE UP TO \$1.47 on 3



MEXICAN FIESTA WITH ORTEGA!

**ORTEGA
REFRIED BEANS**
16 oz.

99¢

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**ORTEGA
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16 oz.
Selected Varieties

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**ORTEGA
TACO SHELLS**
12 ct.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98

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**ORTEGA
TACO SAUCE**
8 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98

SAVE 72¢ on 2



**ORTEGA
TACO SEASONING**
1.25 oz.
Selected Varieties

3/\$1.98

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**ORTEGA
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12 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$1.99

SAVE 76¢



DAIRY & FROZEN SAVINGS!

**DANNON
YOGURT**
6 oz.
Selected Varieties

3/99¢

SAVE \$1.26 on 3



**NESTLE
HOT POCKETS**
6.5-10 oz. or 2 ct.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98

HOT POCKETS

LEAN POCKETS

OT POCKETS



SAVE \$1.52 on 2

**PILLSBURY
READY TO BAKE
COOKIES, CHUBS &
SIMPLY COOKIES**
14-16.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.99

SAVE 96¢



**BREYERS
PREMIUM ICE CREAM**
48 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.88

SAVE \$3.62 on 2



FARM FRESH DAIRY

**BAREMAN'S
COTTAGE CHEESE**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties

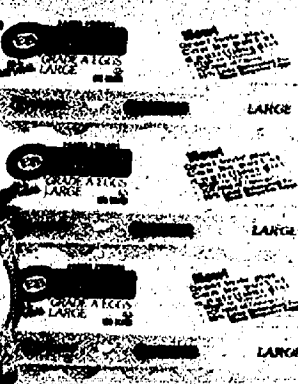
99¢

SAVE 80¢



**EGGLANDS BEST
GRADE AA
LARGE EGGS**
1 Dozen

\$1.99



FROZEN FAVORITES

**GREEN GIANT
POLY BAG
VEGETABLES**
12 oz.
Selected Varieties

99¢

SAVE 66¢



**TONY'S
PREMIUM
FROZEN PIZZA**
7.7-14.3 oz.
Selected Varieties

5/\$10



**BUTONI RISERVA
FRESH STUFFED
PASTA**
9 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.99

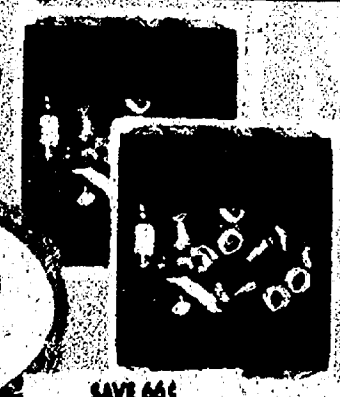
SAVE 96¢



**BUTONI
CHEESE FILLED
PASTA**
20 oz. Family Size
Selected Varieties

\$4.99

SAVE 66¢



**STOUFFER'S
FRENCH BREAD
PIZZA**
2 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$1.99

SAVE \$1.01



**STOUFFER'S
RED BOX**
6-12.87
Selected Varieties

\$1.99

SAVE UP TO \$1.01



**DUTCH FARM
CHEESE CHUBS
OR SHREDDS**
8 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98

SAVE 32¢ on 2



**DUTCH FARMS
PREMIUM CHEESE
SHINGLES**
8 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.99

**GREAT FOR
SANDWICHES**



**BREYERS KLONDIKE
BARS, LIGHT BARS, FRUIT
BARS & GOOD HUMOR
& NORTH STAR SUNDAY
CONES**
6-12 ct.
Selected Varieties

2/\$5

SAVE UP TO \$1.49 on 2



**FAMILY PAK
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4 Qt. Pail
Selected Varieties

\$3.99

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USDA Choice
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Cut & Wrapped Free

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**WHOLE
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PORK LOIN**
Cut & Wrapped Free

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**WHOLE PORK
SIRLOIN**

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**CHICKEN LEG
QUARTERS**
10 lb. Bag

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LB.

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SHRIMP**
31 - 40 ct.
10 lb. Bag

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<p>Amish Farms FRESH GROUND TURKEY BREAST</p>  <p>\$3.79 LB.</p>	<p>Cooked, Tail-On CENSEA COOKED SHRIMP 26 - 30 ct. • 2 lb. Bag</p>  <p>\$5.99 LB.</p>	<p>KING CRAB LEGS 20 - 24 ct.</p>  <p>\$8.99 LB.</p>

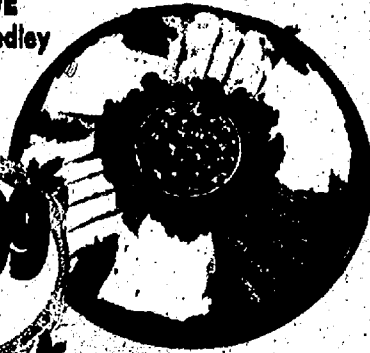
<p>BUTTERBALL TURKEY Selected Varieties</p>  <p>\$5.89 LB.</p>	<p>SANDRIDGE BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP</p>  <p>\$3.69 LB.</p>	<p>BOARS HEAD SAVOY REMOULADE OR TOMATO PESTO MAYO</p>  <p>\$3.79 EA.</p>	<p>BOARS HEAD CHICKEN Selected Varieties</p>  <p>\$7.99 LB.</p>
<p>CADY CREEK AMERICAN CHEESE Yellow or White</p>  <p>\$3.99 LB.</p>	<p>SANDRIDGE POTATOHUSE NOODLES Selected Varieties</p>  <p>\$2.69 LB.</p>	<p>GARDEN FRESH CHIPS & SALSA Selected Varieties</p>  <p>2/\$6</p>	<p>DELALLO XTRA SHARP CHEDDAR OR SWISS CHEESE</p>  <p>\$3.99 LB.</p>
<p>DELALLO VIRGINIA OR HONEY HAM</p>  <p>\$3.99 LB.</p>	<p>SAN MARTINO HARD SALAMI Pre-Sliced (Bulk)</p>  <p>\$4.99 LB.</p>	<p>BOARS HEAD DOMESTIC PROVOLONE</p>  <p>\$5.79 LB.</p>	<p>BOARS HEAD PRE CUT CHEESE Selected Varieties</p> <p>\$4.79 EA.</p>

<p>OUR FAMILY THIN SLICED LUNCHEAT TUBS Selected Varieties</p>  <p>2/\$5</p>	<p>ECKRICH ALL MEAT FRANKS Selected Varieties Excludes Beef Bologna 1 lb.</p>  <p>\$1.79</p>	<p>ECKRICH ALL MEAT BOLOGNA OR COTTO SALAMI Selected Varieties Excludes Beef Bologna</p>  <p>\$1.79</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY BREADED STUFFED CHICKEN BREASTS Selected Varieties</p>  <p>4/\$5</p>	<p>CORN KING BACON Selected Varieties</p> <p>2/\$4</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY CORN DOGS 1 lb.</p> <p>2/\$3</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY SMOKEHOUSE SUMMER SAUSAGE CHUB Original or Beef 12 oz.</p> <p>2/\$5</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY SMOKEHOUSE BEEF STICKS</p> <p>2/\$5</p>	<p>ECKRICH SMOKED SAUSAGE OR POLSKA KIELBASA Family Pack</p> <p>\$5.99</p>
<p>KOWALSKI SKINLESS ALL BEEF FRANKS 13 oz.</p>  <p>\$2.09</p>	<p>KOWALSKI BACON 16 oz.</p>  <p>2/\$6</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY CORN DOGS 1 lb.</p>  <p>2/\$3</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY SMOKEHOUSE SUMMER SAUSAGE CHUB Original or Beef 12 oz.</p>  <p>2/\$5</p>	<p>OUR FAMILY SMOKEHOUSE BEEF STICKS</p> <p>2/\$5</p>	<p>ECKRICH SMOKED SAUSAGE OR POLSKA KIELBASA Family Pack</p> <p>\$5.99</p>			

HOLIDAY PARTY TRAYS!

CENTER STAGE
Meat & Cheese Medley
Large Tray
Serves 25-30

\$43⁹⁹



VERY VEGGIE DELIGHT
Crisp & Crunchy
Assorted Vegetables
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$33⁹⁹



THE MEATING PLACE
Meat, Meat & More Meat
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$48⁹⁹



PLEASE WITH CHEESE
All Sliced Up to Go with
Your Meating Place
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$43⁹⁹



PARTY TIME PLATTER

Bite Sized Cubes of
Assorted Meats & Cheese
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$48⁹⁹



FRUIT DELIGHT

Tantalize your Taste buds
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$43⁹⁹



SHRIMP AHOY

Large Tray
Serves 25-30

\$48⁹⁹



ROYAL CHEESE NIBBLER

Large Tray
Serves 25-30

\$43⁹⁹



SOUTH OF THE BORDER

A Layer of Taco Dips
Large Tray Serves 25-30

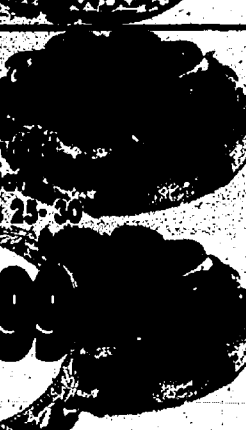
\$33⁹⁹



CROISSANT CLUB

Mini Croissants Stuffed
With Assorted Meats & Cheese
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$38⁹⁹



ON TOP OF OLD SMOKEY

Mountain of Meat & Cheese
Your Choice of Sauces
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$38⁹⁹



WING DING & DRUM CORN

Succulent Breaded
Chicken Wings
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$43⁹⁹



GAME TIME

Seasoned Buffalo &
BBQ Game Time Wings
Large Tray Serves 25-30

\$38⁹⁹



SUPER SUB

Small

\$19⁹⁹



FRESH BAKERY!

Fresh Baked
RYE BREAD
16 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1⁴⁹



Fresh Baked
PETITE FRENCH ROLLS
6 ct.

\$1⁵⁹



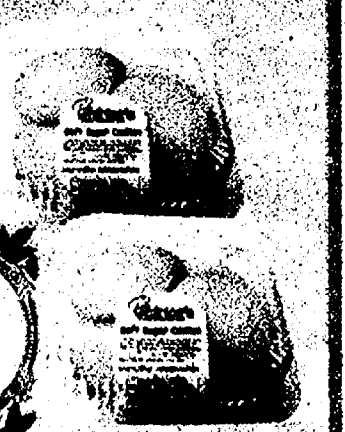
Fresh Baked
MUFFINS
4 ct.
Selected Varieties

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SHIRLEY'S COOKIES
15-18 oz.
Sugar or No Bakes

\$3²⁹



PETITE CROISSANTS
8 ct.

\$3²⁹



KOLACKY'S
8 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$3⁵⁹



GIVE & GO CLASSIC CAKES
11 oz.
Boston Cream or
German Chocolate

\$2⁹⁹



Cake of the Week CARMELICIOUS
Single Layer

\$5⁹⁹



DOUBLE LAYER CAKE \$8⁹⁹

HOME & HEALTH CARE SAVINGS!

**KLEENEX
FACIAL TISSUE**
75 - 200 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$1.19

SAVE 76¢

**BOUNTY BASIC
PAPER TOWELS**
8 Rolls

\$4.99

SAVE \$1.47

**CHARMIN BASIC
PREMIUM
BATH TISSUE**
12 Big Rolls
Selected Varieties

\$4.99

SAVE \$1.14

**MR. CLEAN
LIQUID CLEANER**
32 - 40 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98

SAVE 92¢ on 2

**OUR FAMILY
TRASH OR KITCHEN
BAGS**
20 - 80 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$3.99

SAVE \$1.48

**TIDE 2X
LIQUID DETERGENT**
100 oz. Value Size
Selected Varieties

\$12.59

COMPARE THE BOTTOM LINE!

**BOUNCE &
DOWNY
FABRIC SOFTENER
SHEETS**
44 - 80 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$3.99

SAVE 73¢

**CASCADE
DISH DETERGENT**
75 oz. Gel or Powder or
20 ct. Action Pacs
Selected Varieties

\$3.99

SAVE UP TO \$1.38

**GLADE
PLUG INS**
2 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$3.99

SAVE \$1.34

**GLADE CANDLES
& REFILLS**
2 - 4 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.99

SAVE 40¢

**AUSSIE
SHAMPOO &
CONDITIONER**
7 - 14 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98

SAVE UP TO \$1.00 on 2

**CREST
TOOTHPASTE**
6.4 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98

SAVE \$1.40 on 2

EXCEDRIN
30 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$5.49

SAVE 60¢

PET CARE SAVINGS!

**TIDY CATS
LITTER**
10 lb.
Selected Varieties

\$1.99

SAVE 40¢

**NUNN BETTER
GOURMET
CAT FOOD**
16 lb.

\$8.99

SAVE 76¢

**NUNN BETTER
DOG BISCUITS**
4 lb. Value Pack
Medium or Large

\$2.99

SAVE 76¢

**NUNN BETTER
DOG FOOD**
16 lb.
Golden Nuggets or
Mini Chunks

\$4.99

SAVE \$2.00

**NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM WILD
BIRD SEED**
20 lb.

\$4.99

SAVE 48¢

**NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM
SUNFLOWER SEED**
10 lb.

\$4.99

SAVE 48¢

SNACK & BEVERAGE SAVINGS!

**KEEBLER
SNACK CRACKERS**
8 - 10 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98



SAVE \$3.52 on 2

**7-UP & COCA-COLA
PRODUCTS**
2 Liter Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

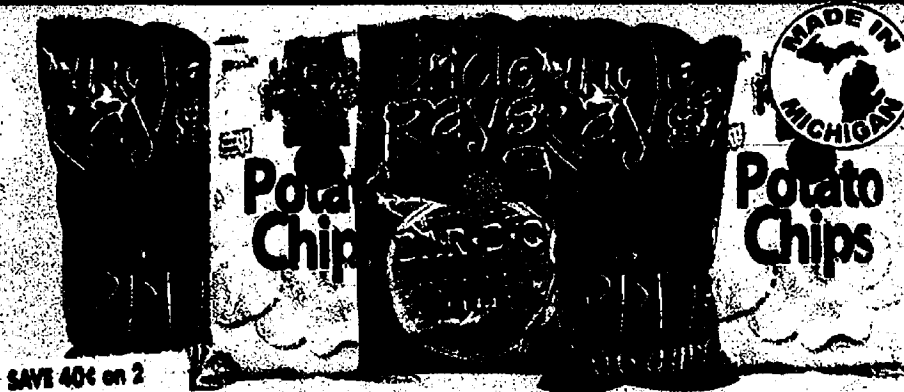
99¢



SAVE \$1.51

**UNCLE RAY'S
POTATO CHIPS**
12 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98



SAVE 40¢ on 2

**Hi-C
JUICE DRINKS**
10 ct.
Selected Varieties

3/\$4.98



SAVE \$3.39 on 3

**KEEBLER
SANDIES
PREMIUM COOKIES**
9.5 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

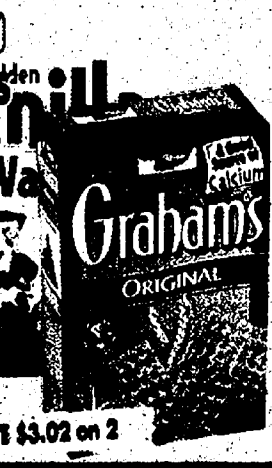
2/\$3.98



SAVE \$3.02 on 2

**KEEBLER
GRAHAM CRACKERS
& VANILLA WAFERS**
12 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.98



SAVE \$3.02 on 2

**CAPRI SUN
JUICE DRINKS**
60 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.99



SAVE 76¢

**PEPSI-COLA
PRODUCTS**
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
or 8 Pk. 16.9 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$3.99



SAVE 51¢

**NABISCO
OREO CAKESTERS
& FUN STIX**
5 - 12 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98



SAVE \$1.02 on 2

**JAY'S GRANDE
TORTILLA
CHIPS**
13 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98



SAVE \$1.02 on 2

**LIPTON
TEA**
12 Pk. 16.9 oz. Pkts.
Selected Varieties

\$4.99



SAVE \$1.60

**COCA-COLA
SPECIAL BONUS**
20 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

2/\$10.98



SAVE \$1.00 on 2

**FRITO LAY
GOLD GOLD
PRETZELS & FRITOS
CHEETOS SALE**
7 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.98



SAVE UP TO \$1.66 on 2

**FRITO LAY
DORITOS**
11.5 - 13.875
Selected Varieties

2/\$6.99



SAVE \$1.66

**BAREMAN'S
DRINKING
WATER**
1 Gallon
Selected Varieties

3/\$1.98



SAVE 27¢ on 3

**AQUAFINA
PREMIUM
DRINKING WATER**
24 Pk. 16.9 oz. Bottles

2/\$6.98



SAVE \$3.52 on 2

WINE CELLAR

SPIRITS

CRANE LAKE CALIFORNIA WINE
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$3.75
SAVE 25¢



MADRIA SANGRIA
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$5.25
SAVE \$2.70



SOUTHERN COMFORT
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$15.99



SMIRNOFF VODKA & VODKA TWIST
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$9.96



GLEN ELLER HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$6.95
SAVE \$4.00



DANCING BULL CALIFORNIA WINE
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$7.75
SAVE \$4.00



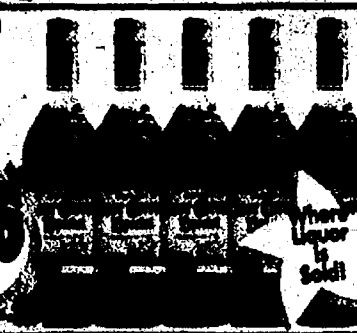
TANQUERAY GIN
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$19.97



JOSE CUERVO
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$19.46



RIUNITE ITALIAN WINES
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$8.75
SAVE \$1.74



CLOS DU BOIS CHARDONNAY OR PINTO GRIGIO
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$8.95
SAVE \$3.80



CAPTAIN MORGAN SPICED RUM
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$14.46



BAILEY'S IRISH CREAM
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$19.97



CHATEAU GRAND TRAVERSE LATE HARVEST RIESLING
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$10.75
SAVE \$3.20



REDWOOD CREEK CALIFORNIA WINE
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$10.95
SAVE \$3.55



MR. & MRS. T'S MIXES
33.8 oz.
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$2.99



FAYGO MIXERS
1 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

79¢
SAVE 21¢



THE BREWERY!

MICHIGAN BREWING CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$6.95
SAVE \$1.30



ARBOR BREWING CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$7.95
SAVE \$1.00



SAMUEL ADAMS & PILSNER URBAN
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$6.95
SAVE \$1.04



BECK'S & RED STRIPE
12 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$11.95
SAVE \$1.55



NATURAL LIGHT & MILWAUKEE'S BEST
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$5.95
SAVE 64¢



COORS
18 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$10.95
SAVE \$1.04



MILLER PRODUCTS
20 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.75
SAVE 74¢



BUDWEISER OR MICHELOB ULTRA
20 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.75
SAVE \$1.54



KEYSTONE
30 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$14.75
SAVE 74¢



STROH'S & MILLER HIGH LIFE
30 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$15.95
SAVE 84¢



WARM UP WITH THESE PRODUCE SAVINGS!

Enjoy 5 Servings of Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Each Day for Better Health

Rich in Vitamin C!

SAVE \$1.71

California Sunkist
NAVEL SEEDLESS ORANGES
4 lb. Bag

\$2.28 EA

SAVE \$2.31

Michigan
WHITE POTATOES
10 lb. Bag

\$1.68 EA

SAVE 61¢

Dole

Dole
WHOLE CARROTS
2 lb. Bag

98¢ EA

Produce Pick of the Week

SAVE \$1.11

Colorful Sweet
RAINBOW PEPPERS
4 ct.

\$2.88 EA

SAVE 98¢

Dole

ITALIAN SPECIAL BLEND SALADS
5 - 12 oz.

2/\$5

SAVE 61¢

AUNT MID'S

Aunt Mid's
WHOLE MUSHROOMS
8 oz.

\$1.38 EA

SAVE UP TO 48¢ / lb.

New Crop Georgia GREEN CABBAGE

3 lbs. / \$1

Fresh Floral Department
May not be exactly as illustrated.

Holiday POINSETTIAS
6 Inch Pot

\$5.99 EA

SAVE \$1.32

Michigan
Red or Golden APPLES
3 lb. Bag

\$1.18 EA

SAVE \$1.11

Texas Sweet Citrus

APPLE RED GRAPEFRUIT
3 lb. Bag

\$2.88 EA

SAVE \$1.11

Apple Cider

Apple Cider
1 Gallon

\$2.88 EA

Holiday MIXED BOUQUET

\$6.99 EA