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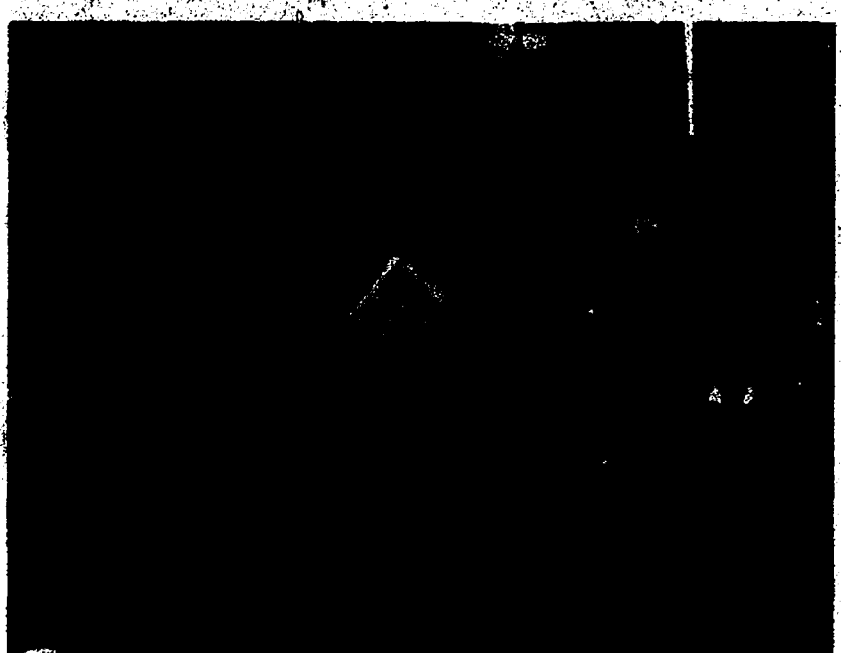
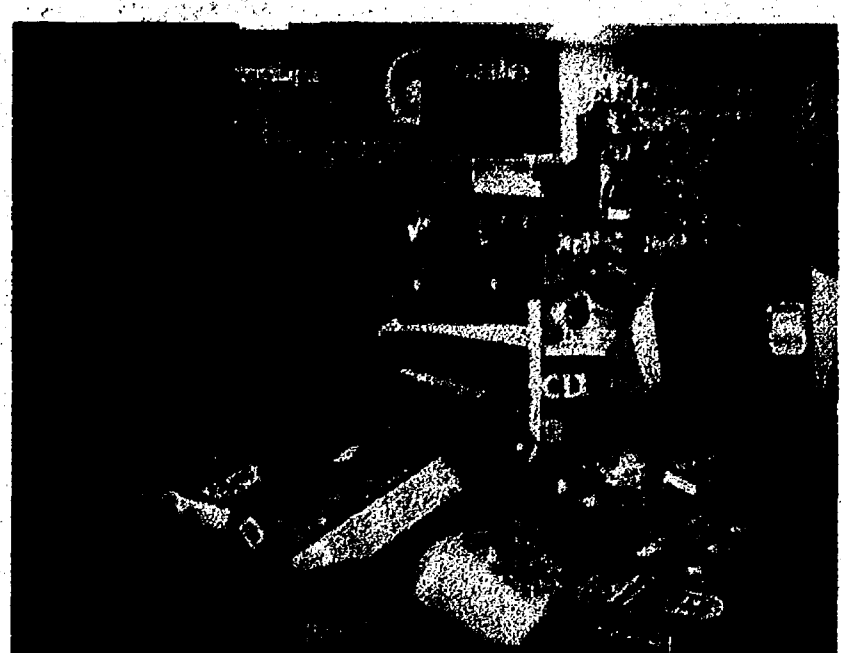


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Justin Hammond, Lauren DeHaven, firefighter Matt Rose, Julien DeHaven and Sophia Hammond tour inside the Chelsea Area Fire Authority apparatus bay. The children were given a tour before receiving their Christmas gifts.



Chelsea firefighter Matt Rose and Pamida store associate Tony Muniz fill two shopping carts with replacement Christmas gifts for two children who lost all of their gifts in a car fire on I-94 on Christmas Day. Muniz, who works in the toy department, helped Rose find toys from the list supplied by the children's parents.



Photo by Lisa Allmendinger
Chelsea firefighter Matt Rose, Pamida store associate Tony Muniz and assistant manager Tim Kinney load bags of replacement Christmas gifts for two Brighton children who lost all of their Christmas gifts in a car fire on I-94 on Christmas Day.

Christmas Angels

First responders give children second holiday after car fire on I-94

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

The Hammond family of Brighton was heading home Christmas Day on I-94 east near Chelsea when the truck Justin Hammond was driving began to smoke.

"It almost instantly turned to black smoke," Justin Hammond said.

He said he decided to pull off onto the freeway shoulder. Inside the truck were his daughter, Sophia, his fiancée, Lauren DeHaven, and her son, Julien.

Plus all of their Christmas presents.

"We'd just gone to my family in Somerset with all the presents," Hammond said.

The smoke intensified as he and DeHaven unbuckled the kids from their car seats.

Hammond said his first thought was to get everyone out, and get as far away from the vehicle as quickly as possible.

An off-duty Jackson County Sheriff's Deputy stopped and tried to put out the fire with an extinguisher, but the truck was "fully involved" when the

Chelsea Area Fire Authority arrived on the scene.

They'd just gotten back to the station from a mutual aid fire in downtown Dexter.

Although the two children's Christmas presents had gone up in flames, DeHaven said no one was hurt.

But when Chelsea Firefighter Matt Rose found out that the fire destroyed Julien and Sophia's Christmas toys, he decided to play Santa.

"I never saw the kids," he said, "They were in the back of the patrol car, but I knew I had to do something."

He spoke to Trooper Josh Reeber of the Michigan State Police, who had arrived to assist the firefighters on the scene, and Joe Kimmen of Smith's Service, who towed the vehicle.

From there, a call went out to other Chelsea firefighters, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department and Michigan State Police.

In fact, area residents who learned about the situation chipped in as well.

On Dec. 28, Rose and Reeber met at Pamida to combine their contributions.

In less than 24 hours, they'd collected more than \$400 and

the police had added two large garbage bags full of stuffed toys.

Since Rose said he wanted to shop locally for replacement Christmas gifts, he headed to Pamida, where store assistant manager Tim Kinney was apprised of the situation.

Rose, who had a list of what had been lost in the fire, was hooked up with Tony Muniz, store associate from the toy department.

The toy expert and thoughtful firefighter immediately began patrolling the toy aisles each with a shopping cart.

They managed to replace almost everything that the two children had lost in the fire — and then some.

When they were done, the carts were overflowing with dolls and action figures, puzzles, books, play sets — even identical play microphones.

Included, of course, were fire and police station play sets, and a family board game.

Hammond had mentioned that the family's camera had gone up in smoke with all of their Christmas photos on it — that too, was replaced.

Plus, there was money left

Firefighters play Santa for local family
By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

Julien DeHaven and Sophia Hammond of Brighton cautiously stepped into the Chelsea Area Fire Authority apparatus bay on Sunday.

They wanted to see the fire engines, but weren't so sure about their decision once they saw just how red and how big the trucks really were.

They covered their ears, expecting sirens to go off.

Instead, the firefighters — Matt Rose and Sam Norton — just turned on the flashing lights.

"Wow, look at that. That's cool," DeHaven said.

The two children stared wide-eyed at the engine, which two days before had put out the fire that engulfed the truck they were riding in on I-94 near Chelsea.

All their Christmas presents were inside.

"This is the fire engine that had all the hoses hooked to it spraying water to put out the fire," Rose told the children.



Photo by Lisa Allmendinger
Julien DeHaven, 4, and Sophia Hammond, 3, open Christmas gifts inside the Chelsea Area Fire Authority day room. All of their presents were destroyed on Christmas when the truck they were riding in on I-94 near Chelsea caught fire.

Chelsea Police join Nixle online

System provides free crime alert updates to residential e-mail
By Daniel Lai
Heritage Newspapers

In an effort to increase awareness in the Chelsea community, the Chelsea Police Department is now offering free crime alerts through Nixle, an online information system that informs users of local happenings by sending them messages via phone or e-mail.

"We began using the Nixle system at the beginning of August. As of September, we

already have 400 people registered," Sgt. Mark Pulford said.

Similar to a program used by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, the program sends users information on crime alerts, traffic closures and community events. Pulford said the system can also help the department catch criminals by sending out physical descriptions.

"We can send information out to the community, which can multiply our eyes and ears exponentially," he said. "If we have suspect information or a vehicle description, we will send that out to the community."

Pulford said the Chelsea Police Department sends out electronic notices at least once

a week.

"I think it's a fantastic program," he said. "It allows us to keep in touch with the community and inform them of what is going on in their neighborhoods."

To sign up for the service, users can visit www.nixle.com and register their e-mail address. Once registered, residents can choose what law enforcement agency they want to receive information from.

"The nice part is that it's geographically targeted to different areas," Pulford said. "Someone can elect to receive updates from any agency that is using Nixle, or they can receive just the information that is

Art gallery closes doors after successful run

By Daniel Lai
Heritage Newspapers

In another changing sign of the times, Chelsea Gallery, located at 115 S. Main St., will close its doors forever at the end of the business day today.

According to gallery owner Gary Galvin, there are no plans to reopen another gallery in the future.

"It is what it is," he said. "Everybody who knows about everything we tried to do is saddened but also understands."

The gallery first opened on Dec. 1, 2001 and moved to its current location three years

ago. The gallery is home to more than 70 local artists.

"We loved every minute with the artists and our clients," Galvin said. "We always dealt with local artists and original art. It was nice to have artists become a part of the gallery."

Since first opening, the gallery has become an integral part of the downtown atmosphere in Chelsea.

"People recognize here's a place they can go and relax and enjoy a coffee as well as see the art," Galvin said in a previous interview.

With the closing, Galvin said he hopes a new business will move into the empty lot and

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Movement aims to stop runway extension

Critics of airport plan cite safety concerns

By Austen Smith
Heritage Newspapers

A plan to extend Ann Arbor Municipal Airport's runway by 800 feet, putting the threshold of the runway closer to Lohr Road and residential neighborhoods, has caused a stir among residents fearing an increase in air traffic and larger class aircraft buzzing over homes.

City and airport officials say the move is for the safety of the airport, allowing pilots more surface to correct mistakes during take-offs and landings, and to allow more of the smaller business-class flights to utilize the airport as they are now limited by insurance carriers. Having a longer runway will provide some relief in insurance rates for the corporate-owned, single-engine aircraft.

It is the issue of safety, however, that first prompted a Stonebridge subdivision couple to start a Web site and distribute literature educating residents to the potential dangers associated with a runway extension.

Andy McGill and Kathie Wunderlich say approving the runway extension would be an "invitation to disaster," allow-

ing more operations — the take-off or landing of an aircraft — of larger and heavier aircraft into the small, hobbyist airport.

"Our concern is from a safety standpoint because of the larger planes that this extension would attracting would be passing over homes in the area of the airport at altitudes of 300 feet or maybe less," said McGill, who has compiled two thick binders of research concerning the runway plan over the past year.

Once McGill and Wunderlich started informing their neighbors about the city's intentions to extend the runway, a grassroots group quickly formed leading to the Web site, www.stopA2runwayextension.com.

McGill said the city's argument that adding more runway will provide more safety, implying that the current runway length is not up to regular standards, doesn't hold water as there have been only a handful of incidents involving runway length over the past 30 years.

■ In May 2001, a Piper Cherokee caught in heavy wind and thunderstorm conditions landed mid-field and rolled 30 feet long of the runway, damaging some lights.

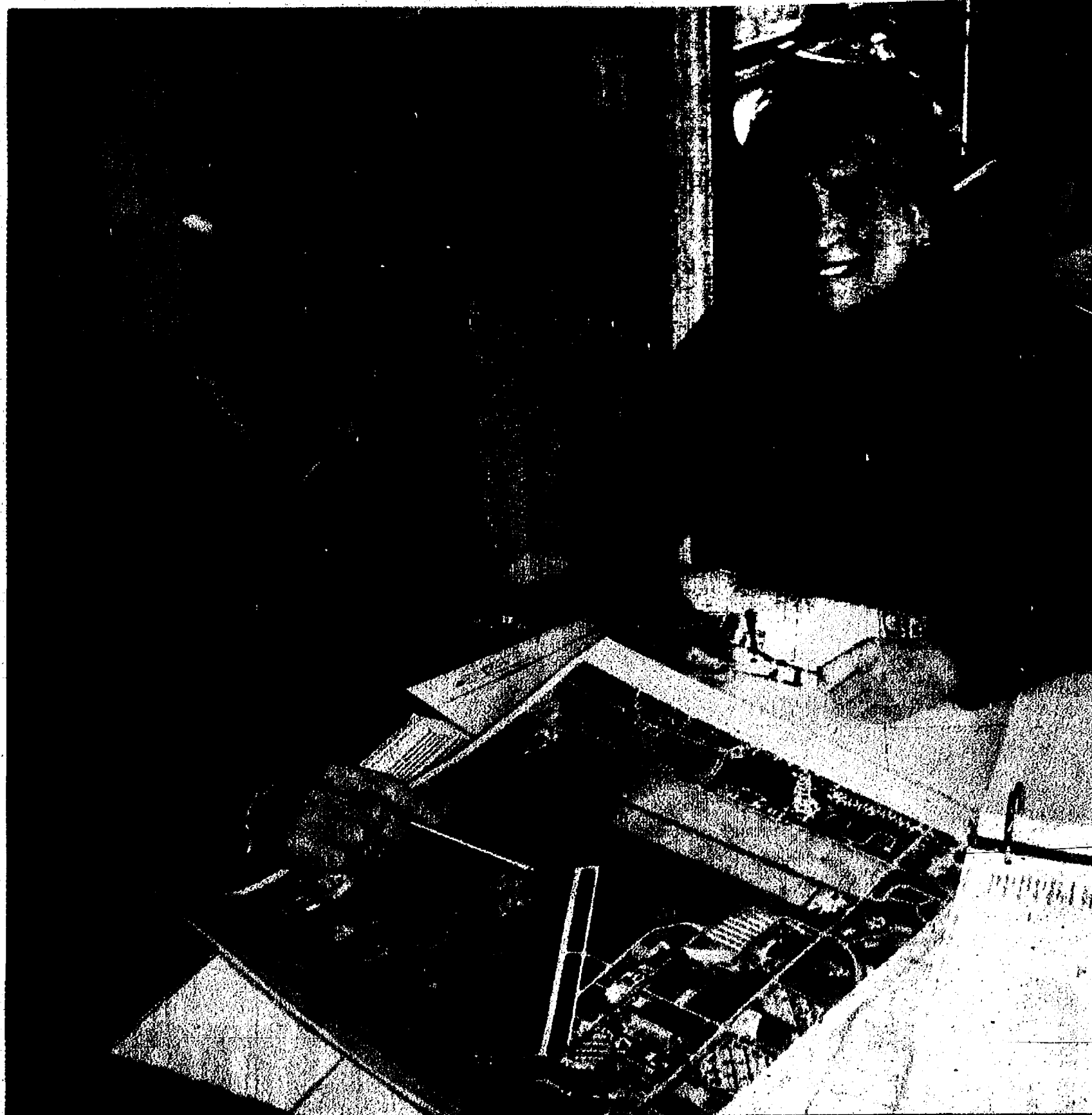
■ In September 2002, another Piper experienced poor braking and had difficulty stopping causing the plane's nose wheel to run off the end of the runway. There was no damage reported.

■ In July 2006, a Cessna 172 had to make a precautionary landing at the airport because of thunderstorm conditions. The pilot, who was under stress and was unable to properly control speed, landed "high and hot," skidding off the end of the wet runway. This landing also damaged a runway light.

These and other cases, including an incident some years ago when the throttle on an aircraft became stuck and the plane rolled across State Street, mostly amount to pilot error and not lack of runway, which led McGill and Wunderlich and others to ask the question: How will extending the runway make the airport safer?

Ann Arbor Municipal Airport Manager Matthew Kulhanek said providing more runway, especially to inexperienced pilots, will allow more time to correct mistakes when they are landing or taking off.

"There is a safety factor that they don't have now. If you get more concrete down there, it gives the pilot more time during the decision-making process if there is something that goes wrong," Kulhanek said. "Just as you're getting ready to take



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Andy McGill and Kathie Wunderlich, residents of the Stonebridge neighborhood just east of the airport, say they will fight the airport extension in the courts if necessary.

off or land and something happens or your engine spits and sputters, the pilot has to quickly decide, 'Do I pull up and try to fly or do I have enough runway to shut the engine down?' Having that extra 800 feet of runway, that is going to change the decision-making process."

McGill and Wunderlich are not buying that, however, and Kulhanek even agreed that most of the overruns — literally an aircraft running past the end of the runway — were caused by pilot error.

"It makes no sense to extend the runway. This airport is perfectly safe," Wunderlich said. "We disagree with Mr. Kulhanek's statements that this

will provide more safety to the airport."

As for Kulhanek's assertion in a previous interview with Heritage Newspapers that an increase in aircraft operations will be determined by economic

conditions rather than the runway length, McGill made the point that extending the runway will be a permanent fixture that all residents will have to deal with, but the economic slump is temporary.

"It's safe to say that the invitation for larger planes is there. The dip in the economy is short term, but that invitation and that risk to area homes is per-

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Jet's Pizza opens Sports Room

Area to include full bar later this year

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

For the first time in Jet's Pizza history, one of its franchises has a sports room restaurant.

Located in downtown Chelsea, the sports room opened on Dec. 7.

"It was my idea," said owner Jason Povlich, who wanted to convert the unused space next to the original take-out area. He says his dream of a sit-down restaurant was aided by Ron Weiser and McKinley Real Estate, and has been in the works since January.

The sports room can seat 60 people and has six big screen TVs.

In January, Povlich hopes to open a full bar, but stresses that, "Jet's is a family-friendly restaurant that serves alcohol."

The franchise owner has a long history with Jet's Pizza.

He started out as an assistant manager at a Jet's in Allen Park, and in six months, Povlich was made general manager.

Three years later, he owned 33 percent of a Lincoln Park store and was an area manager. But Povlich wanted a franchise of his own, and began looking at communities along M-52.

"As soon as I saw Chelsea, I knew this is where I wanted to be," he said.

As the Chelsea Jet's Pizza approaches its third anniversary, Povlich said, "I've been able to learn what true community is."

He said he's tried to give back to Chelsea by helping every local cause that's approached

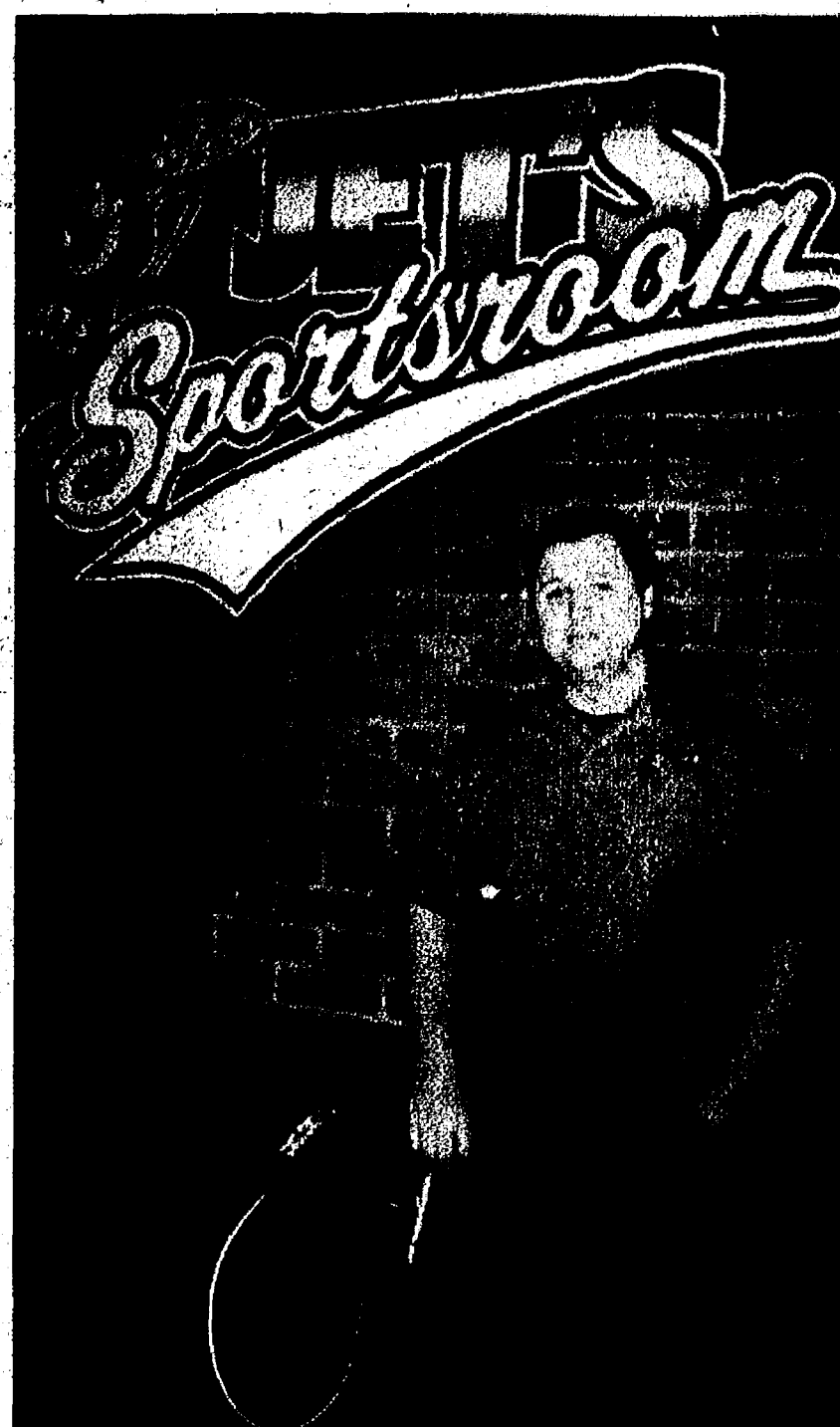


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Jason Povlich of Chelsea's Jet's Pizza shows off the sports room.

him. He also employs 27 full- and part-time employees.

"This is a dream to have a restaurant, and in this economy, to add 15 to 20 jobs," he said.

The Jet's franchise began in Sterling Heights in 1978, and the

Chelsea store is the 125th.

Today, Povlich said, there are almost 200 Jet's Pizza stores.

"It all comes down to a couple of things: it's not about how much money you can make; it's about how many you can serve,"

Fast Facts:

Jet's Pizza Sports Room, first in franchise history

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he said.

He said Jet's is famous for its deep-dish pizza.

"It's the great crust and best cheese on the market," he said, adding that the dough is made fresh every day.

A family of four can eat for \$15 or less, Povlich said.

Jet's also offers baked cheesy bread and a variety of chicken wings.

Plus, it's a family business - Povlich's mom and dad and two brother-in-laws work there.

"People who work here are like family, and my purpose is to help other people accomplish their goals and dreams," he said.

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over - after Kinney gave the firefighter a deep discount on all the items he'd purchased.

"This is truly a blessing that there are still nice people out there," said DeHaven, adding, "Especially in this economy, where people are struggling, that there are people willing to do this for people they don't even know."

Both Hammond and DeHaven

lost their Christmas gifts, too.

And, after their ordeal, they never made it to the DeHaven family's house on Christmas.

"But it was the kids' Christmas that was important, not ours," Hammond said.

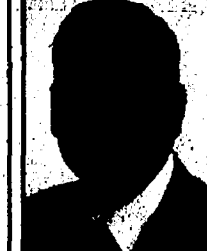
The couple plans to get married in October, and they said they're thankful that an event so traumatic could have such a happy ending.

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More than 1,200 area students attended the Just Build It! Career Expo at the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center.

Career Expo introduces teens to construction field

By Gerald LaVaute
Heritage Newspapers

The Convocation Center at Eastern Michigan University, which features a main floor that is spacious at 20,000 square feet, was the site last month for the 12th annual "Just Build It!" Construction Career Expo.

More than 1,200 students from 36 area schools attended the event. The students ranged from eighth-graders to high school seniors.

The purpose of the event, said Washtenaw Contractors Association Executive Director Gretchen Waters, is to expose young people to the range and the advantages of a career in the construction industry.

Among advantages of such a career, she said, are:

- A career in the construction industry is portable. If the job market for carpenters is soft in Southeastern Michigan, a job in another state, which is developing economically, may be available.

- The average salary for a worker in the construction industry is higher than the average salary for a person with a bachelor's degree.

- Most jobs in the construction industry cannot be outsourced to other countries.

The range of jobs available in the construction industry, according to Waters, is broad, including architecture, engineering and the skilled trades.

To prepare for a career as a skilled tradesperson, a two- to five-year apprenticeship program is required. And, Waters said, the apprentices earn a salary and benefits while in the program. In fact, many programs pay their apprentices their regular wage, even when they attend classroom training.

John Andrews is a guidance counselor at Chelsea High School who chaperoned 17 Chelsea students on this year's trip.

It gives kids an opportunity to see the interconnectedness of jobs in the construction industry, he said, and the hands-on projects give the student a feel for what it's like to work in the skilled trades.

Andrews said there is a nail-driving contest in which the win-

ner is awarded a wooden toolbox, as well as other hands-on projects at the expo, ranging from bricklaying, in which masons guide students in laying mortar on concrete blocks to achieve an even surface, and a project requiring pipe bending.

Belleville High School guidance counselor Charlene Korpics also spoke highly of the program. She said that she and colleague John Thompson brought 23 students to the expo this year, the fifth year that

Belleville school district has participated in the expo.

Despite recent budget cuts, attending the expo remains a high priority for Belleville, Korpics said, and is helped by a donation of \$200 from the Washtenaw Contractors Association to pay for the cost of bus travel for the students.

Waters said that the idea for the expo arose about 15 years

ago as a part of a discussion within the local construction industry about workforce development.

It was designed originally to support people already in the industry, she said, but shortly thereafter was expanded to include people new to the industry, as the industry began to see workforce shortages in select areas 10 to 12 years ago.

The expo requires a good deal of work, and many people are involved. Waters said that about 125 adults sponsor almost 40 exhibits.

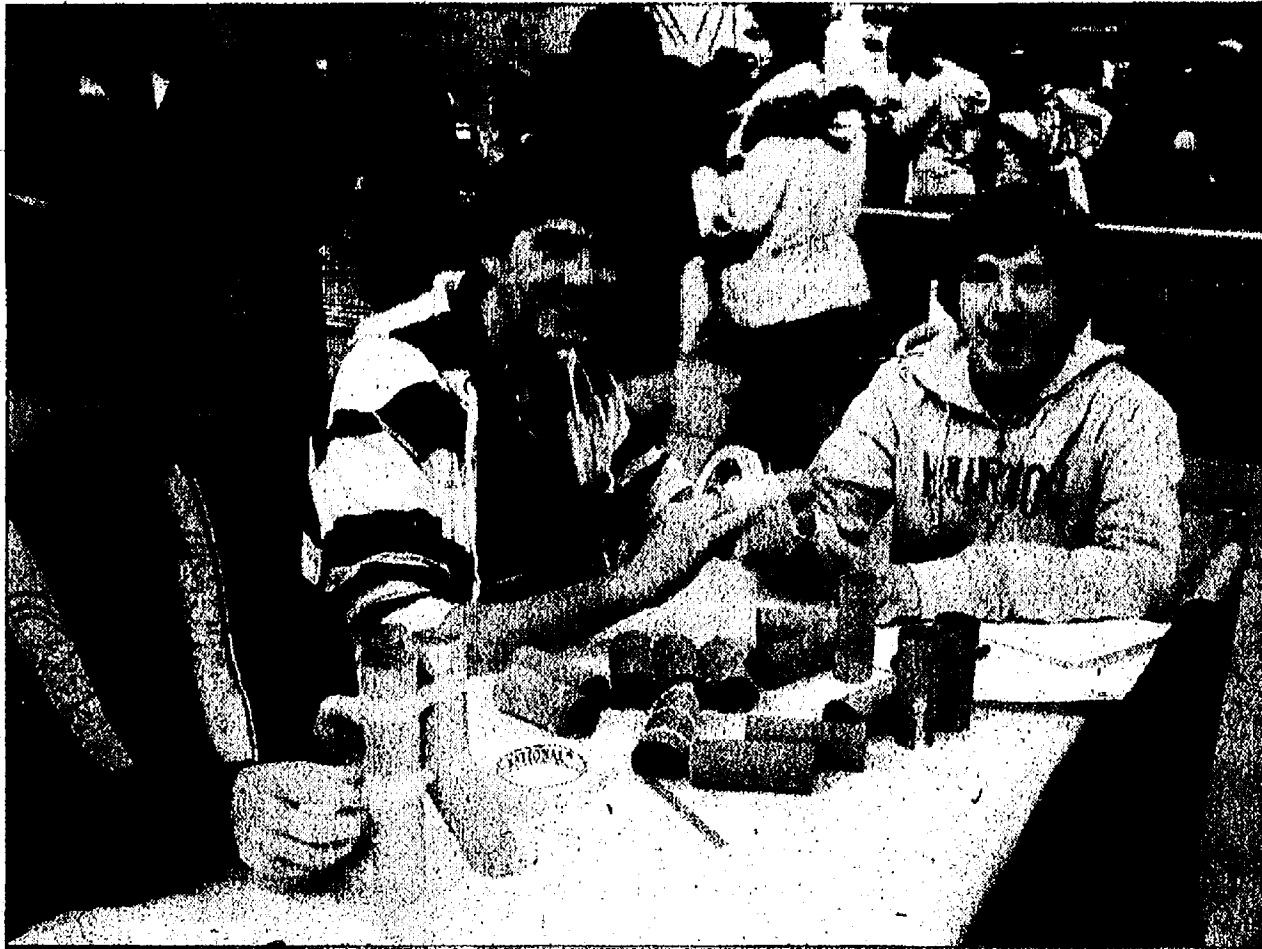
The exhibits range from the American Institute of Architects to the Eastern Michigan University Construction Management program, to Cement Masons Union Local 514. Another 25 people associated with the Washtenaw Contractors Association also support the event.

Lunch is provided for everyone, for instance, in the hallways above the arena floor.

Waters said that the expo is very helpful in exposing students to potential paths to follow as they decide on a career.

"It's been a great event," she said. "We've had tremendous feedback."

The 2010 expo is planned for Nov. 9, one week after Election Day.



Students enjoy conducting weight and stress tests using empty rolls of toilet paper. Project sponsor Association of General Contractors in Lansing asks its employees to save and to donate the pieces of cardboard throughout the year.



The Regional Career and Technical Center sponsored an exhibit. It partners with high schools in providing hands-on experience to students in building new houses.



A representative of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers teaches a student how to lay bricks.



Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 180 sponsored an exhibit to demonstrate pipe soldering.

Students race against professional carpenters to win a nail-pounding contest. If they win, a wooden toolbox is their prize.



Firefighters upgrade station

Personnel volunteer time to make changes

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

Five Chelsea firefighters have volunteered their time to make the Middle Street fire station's multipurpose room more energy efficient.

It started with a broken window and the plan evolved from there, said Capt. Sam Norton.

Chelsea Area Fire Chief Jim Payeur said the firehouse was built in the '60s with no insulation.

"The plan is for new energy efficient windows, door frames, walls and exterior siding," he said.

The planned changes will improve the environment, safety and health of all the firefighters by adding insulation between the vehicles in the bay and the multipurpose room, Payeur said.

The firefighters plan to add drop ceilings in the 14 by 20 by 16-foot tall room.

Involved in the project are

The plan is for new energy efficient windows, door frames, walls and exterior siding.

JIM PAYEUR

Chelsea Area Fire Chief

Norton, and firefighters Matt Rose, Lance Baird, Scot Basar and Rob Selzer.

Norton said the firefighters are installing a pocket door between the common area and the computer room, and have already moved and added energy efficient outside doors and windows.

The building, Payeur said, wasn't originally intended as a firehouse, and the firefighters are retrofitting the space to make it fit today's needs.

"We have applied for a three-phase renovation grant through federal stimulus funds," Payeur said. "We are utilizing the talents of the firefighters to save money in labor and utility costs."

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Photo by Lisa Allmendinger

Capt. Sam Norton and firefighter Matt Rose, two of a five-member volunteer team, make energy-efficient changes to the day room at the Chelsea Area Fire Authority fire station downtown.

Police participate in drunken driving crackdown campaign

The City of Chelsea Police Department is joining with other law enforcement agencies for a special crackdown on drunken driving that began Dec. 16 and ends Jan. 3, 2010.

"Drunk(en) driving is one of America's deadliest crimes. In 2008, 11,773 people died in

highway crashes involving a driver or motorcycle rider with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher," the department said in a press release.

The picture for women is particularly concerning. Twenty-one percent of the 5,473 female drivers killed in crashes in 2008 had BAC levels of .08 or higher. That is why Chelsea Police Department will be joining with thousands of other law enforcement and highway safety agencies across the nation to take part in the "Over the Limit. Under Arrest" crackdown on impaired driving.

"Make no mistake. Our message is simple. No matter who you are or what you drive, if we catch you driving impaired, we will arrest you," Chief Edward Toth said. "We will be out in force conducting sobriety enforcement to get more

or higher is illegal in every state. Yet we continue to see far too many people suffer debilitating injuries and loss of their loved ones as a result of impaired driving."

SGT. MARK PULFORD
Chelsea Police

Driving with a BAC of .08 or higher is illegal in every state. Yet we continue to see far too many people suffer debilitating injuries and loss of their loved ones as a result of impaired driving.

drunk(en) drivers off the road — and save lives that might otherwise be lost." Sgt. Mark Pulford said every year, the department responds to several drunken-driving emergencies.

"Driving with a BAC of .08

ensure that happens, Chelsea Police Department is dedicated to arresting impaired drivers wherever and whenever we find them."

Toth said impaired drivers are taking big risks and will have to face the consequences

if they are stopped by a police officer.

"Drunk(en) driving is simply not worth the risk. Not only do you risk killing yourself or someone else, but the trauma and financial costs of a crash or an arrest for impaired driving can be significant," he said. "Violators often face jail time, the loss of their driver's license, higher insurance rates, attorney fees, time away from work and dozens of other expenses. So don't take the chance. Remember, if you are over the limit, you are under arrest."

The crackdown is a deterrence program organized by the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that focuses on combining high-visibility enforcement with heightened public awareness through advertising and publicity.

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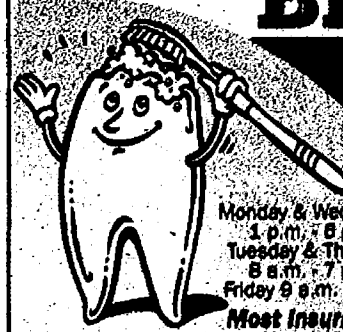
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This week's question

How do you plan to spend New Year's Eve?

- A. At a party
B. Watch a New Year's Eve program on television
C. With family at home
D. At the bar

OUR TAKE: Editorial

We should tax medical marijuana

There were some disturbing statistics released this month concerning teenage marijuana use — it's up.

A decade-long decline in teens' use of pot has stalled and some teen attitudes on how harmful marijuana can be may be softening, according to a federal survey on teen drug.

The findings were based on a survey of roughly 47,000 eighth-, 10th- and 12th-graders conducted by the University of Michigan for the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

The national debate over medical use of marijuana could be making the drugs seem safer to teenagers, researchers say. Marijuana use across the three grades showed a consistent downward trend starting in the late 1990s. But the decline has since stopped, and use rates for the three grades showed a slight uptick between 2007 and 2009, from about 12.9 percent to about

14.3 percent.

Marijuana was at its recent peak in 1997, when 17.7 percent of eighth-grade students, 34.8 percent of 10th-grade students and 38.5 percent of 12th-graders reported using the drug at least once within a year of being interviewed.

Of particular concern in examining the survey results is how teens perceive the drug. Students were asked how much people risk harming themselves if they smoke marijuana occasionally or smoke marijuana regularly. Fewer eighth-grade students said that people who smoked pot put themselves at great risk than a year ago.

Consequently, the young people perceive the danger from marijuana use as less risky. That's youthful and wrong thinking. The dangers of marijuana use are just not fully known. However, some studies are indicating that long-

term marijuana use decreases fertility and increases the risk of certain cancers, such as prostate in men.

In the 1960s, the drug became well known and many thought legalizing it was only the right thing to do. Today, a group backing legalization of marijuana said the figures show the futility of trying to ban pot, rather than regulate its use.

We disagree with this group's conclusions. The fact is those backing legalization have been louder and more constant proponents. In other words, they've done a better job of marketing. Just look at what they did with the legalization of medical marijuana in Michigan. A state-wide ballot issue passed — not so much because marijuana is proven to relieve pain in cancer sufferers — the jury is still out on that.

Rather, the issue passed because of emotions.

Proponents played on the sympathies of the general public for cancer victims. In reality, other drugs do as good or a better job of relieving pain. Unfortunately, with medical marijuana now legal, it undoubtedly will make it easier for teens to use it, even if it remains illegal for non-medical purposes.

We're still not happy about the medical marijuana proposal passing, but if we have to live with it, maybe taxing it and putting the revenue toward Medicaid, Medicare or schools would be in order. As the old saying goes, when you get lemons, the best thing to do is make lemonade. This is one tax that we don't mind supporting.

Let's not let this opportunity for some badly needed revenue go up in smoke.

—Courtesy of The Oakland Press

Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Smoking ban an infringement on personal rights

I am a smoker and have been for 40 years. Now that the state has decided to protect me from myself, I am very thankful.

But if I owned a bar, restaurant or a business, I might not be so thankful.

Representative Dian Slavens, D-Canton, says she has seen the damage caused by smoking. Well, Dian, don't go into a bar or restaurant that allows smoking — you and others have that choice.

But you have taken away the rights of the bar owner to run his own business and of clients to choose. And (allowing smoking in) the casinos — is the air healthier, or is it because Detroit needs the revenue?

If you are so worried about my health, I wonder why we don't stop cigarettes from being sold in Michigan. Could it be that the tax dollars from smokers is needed to support the state? Remember the old adage "money talks and B.S. walks"?

Let's stop all unhealthy practices and protect more of our population: auto exhaust, alcohol usage and prescription drug abuse.

Vicodin is the most prescribed medication in the country and is causing an epidemic of abuse and addiction. How about telling doctors and hospital and drug companies to stop selling it. Wait a second — too much money to be made. And don't forget how much alcohol and gasoline sales bring to the state coffers in tax money.

In the book "1984," the state was protecting its citizens. Pretty scary to think it could happen here.

Lastly, I want to thank Terry Brown for voting in support of this law. I have been a lifelong Democrat and supported most Democrats in office. But as of today, I will never vote Democratic again.

It's not the smoking ban — it is the infringement of a person's rights. You know — life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness?

Edward Sera
Port Austin

Replacing transit center would be bureaucratic waste

The Pittsfield problem involves the crime of shoplifting recognized by the judicial system. The need to replace Blake Transit Center after only 22 years of service is a different kind of crime — a bureaucratic crime of waste, which is not recognized by the judicial system, but which is far more of a financial burden to the taxpayer than petty theft.

I can't actually prove that statement, and I know the consumer pays more at the register for goods than we would if there was no theft.

but at least we can shop for the best price. I guess we can do that for taxes too, but it requires relocation, which many Michigan folks are doing.

Please allow me to take a detour to point out a pothole and express my concern for Gordy Schick's comment (in a recent news story) comparing shoplifters to gypsies. Comparing shoplifters to gypsies implies that gypsy movements occur "when the heat is on" and are due to their dishonesty. I don't think the media would tolerate any other cultural stereotype, and maybe I'm wrong in my perception, but it just doesn't seem an appropriate comment to me.

I'm getting back on the bus now. I know that some tax dollars are sometimes designated for specific purposes and can't be delegated for other uses, except our Social Security fund, without much ado. So the federal dollars being used to fund the new Blake Transit Center may not require additional Ann Arbor taxpayer funding. Yeah, right, I'll tell the jokes.

The part of the justification I have a problem with lays in its "deteriorated" condition after only 22 years of service. Why is a city building built in 1987 in a deteriorated state?

I'm sure a lot of Ann Arbor taxpayers currently live in housing much older than 22 years, and commercial building codes are even more stringent than residential standards.

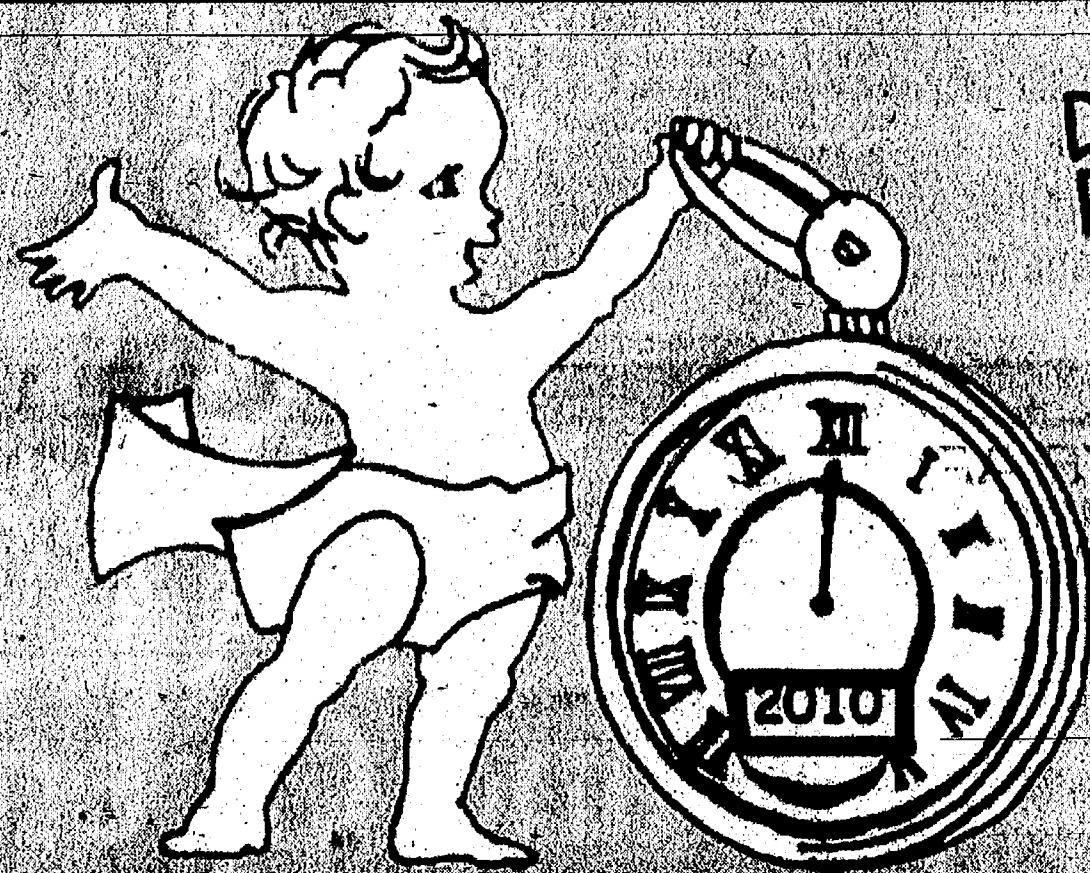
At the low cost of \$2.7 million for the new facility serving 5,000 riders, it works out to be \$540 per rider. That's a lot of bus fare. At \$3.7 million, it's \$740 per rider.

About \$540 of my property taxes is already designated for transportation costs. If there was no money to maintain Blake Center properly, with existing tax dollars, why should we taxpayers expect the city to be able to maintain the new center — wait make that two new transit centers (I forgot about the U of M station)? That's an additional maintenance burden.

What about the ecological aspect of the shortened useful life of a city building as a result of neglect or poor construction? I get concerned at the amount of packaging involved in a McDonald's salad, but city officials are throwing away a whole building. And they still consider themselves "green." Wait, maybe that green label refers to the flow of money from the taxpayers to the public coffers.

Maybe AATA will have a maintenance meeting in that brand-new conference room, in that brand-new center, with that brand-new furniture. I'm green with envy with all the new building going on in Ann Arbor. I guess I should just go with the flow like the water over the falling Argo Dam.

Frank Dallamonte
Ann Arbor



Happy New Year

Saying hello to 2010: A new year, a new resolution

I've been thinking a lot about New Year's resolutions the last few weeks.

Typically, I'm neither a big resolution maker, nor a dieter. But as 2009 draws to a close, I'm about to become both.

An extra 20 pounds on a 5-foot-2 frame can do that to you.

Perhaps this goal is a cliché for many people. But, for me, it's something new.

I'm calling it The Great Diet of 2010, and expecting it to be an interesting experience.

I am 51, nearly 52, and I've never felt the need to diet before, so I'm sure it's not going to be easy.

These extra pounds didn't appear overnight, so I know they aren't going to disappear all that quickly, either.

Since I'm a big fan of lists

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LISA ALLMENDINGER

and plans, I'm preparing for this great adventure in a similar fashion.

On Dec. 20, I began writing down everything that crossed my lips. And let me tell you, just

the sheer act of making a list of everything, and I mean every little morsel that I've eaten or sipped, already has made a difference.

It has curtailed some of my bad snacking behaviors, and forced me to pay attention to labels and portion sizes.

I think this has something to do with the guilt factor of putting pen to paper with it.

Since I'm doing this for me, it's important to be brutally honest.

All the while, convincing my constantly grumbling tummy that gluttony is something from the past and eating healthy foods in proper proportions is the wave of the future.

The stationary bike has been moved into the living room, strategically placed, so I can

pedal and pant for a half hour or so while watching football on television New Year's Day.

In fact, I have big plans for Jan. 1, which happens to be my favorite day of the year, which includes parades and lots and lots of football. But not as much food, even though I've been invited to a New Year's Day brunch.

As far as I'm concerned, the weight-loss equation is pretty simple — eat less and exercise more.

The exercise part shouldn't be too tough; I have a gym in my house, one that I've gotten really adept at ignoring. I'm embarrassed to say that I walk past it probably 25 times a day. Easy.

So, prior to Jan. 1, I'll clean the multiple years of dust and

cobwebs off all the equipment.

And, as an added bonus, I'll start burning calories while getting the equipment ready for use before the official start date.

My pantry shelves are pretty much devoid of those handy go-to bad foods, which have served as my personal version of fast food.

In their place are things that will be filling, but are good for me, too. And, I will learn to love them.

I've done enough stories about what healthy eating entails and I used to work out all the time, so I know what I'm doing. It's just a matter of methodically implementing it, and getting back into the habit.

As anyone who knows will attest, I am quite the creature of habit.

I will update you on my progress on the A2 Journal blog linked at www.A2journal.com. So please check there frequently, it's at the bottom of the page.

I'll share my pain and progress and hopefully you'll encourage me along the way, especially when I hit those inevitable plateaus and crossroads.

Who knows, I may be asking for help, tips or suggestions along the way before I falter.

But, above all, I hope my plans will motivate you to think about what changes you would like to make in your life in 2010.

Then get started. I'm chomping, er, ready, to get started on mine.

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THE CHOPPING BLOCK

Career choice worth the move

It's hard to believe that the new year marks 10 years since I graduated high school. It feels like just yesterday when I was sitting in chemistry class trying to decipher the mathematical formulas my teacher was writing on the board while hitting on the girl sitting next to me.

Those were different times back then. If I were to travel back to May 26, 2000 to meet up with myself at my high school graduation, I doubt I would believe where I would end up 10 years in the future.

I was one of those students who had it all figured out. I was going to be a history teacher and travel the world. Well, as you can see, that plan went in one door and out the other. By the time I was a sophomore in college, I had already "officially" declared a different major four times. I was the typical conflicted college student who did not know what he wanted out of life.

It wasn't until late in my junior year of college when I decided to pick a major and stick with it. It's a good thing I did too.

I've always enjoyed writing. And, depending on who you talk to, they will tell you I've always been good at it. My mom fondly recalls to friends and family the story of how when I was a very young boy, I developed a love for paper (to

the point where I always had a stack of it clutched tightly between my little chubby fingers.)

On one particular windy day, while crossing the street with my mom and sister, a big gust of wind blew by and ripped the papers from my hand, scattering them in the street. As mom frantically tried to gather the papers and get her children safely across the busy street, all I could muster was: "My papers! My papers!"

Years later, I remember watching an old black and white movie at my grandparents' house while visiting from Texas. It was called "Deadline USA" and starred Humphrey Bogart in a classic role that depicted true journalistic talent. The film follows Bogart's character, Ed Hutheson, a tough editor for the New York Day, who is stung into a full-fledged crusade against a gangster. I'm assuming that's where my love affair with printed newspapers began.

During my junior year in high school, I got the chance to be a real life Ed Hutheson. Unbeknownst to the student body, at the end of my sophomore year, our school's athletic director and principal were



DANIEL LAI

involved in a highly unethical and illegal operation. In order to recruit a winning football team the previous year, the athletic director lured students to our school with gifts and free tuition, while the principal told all the teachers to give the athletes passing

grades so they could graduate, regardless if the students earned the grade or not.

My journalism teacher, Ms. DeLong, informed our class that several teachers did not want to talk to the press, but would talk to the student newspaper. My colleagues and I hit the ground running and soon published the story on the front page of the student paper. In the end, the principal and athletic director were forced to resign and some students were told to hand over their diplomas. Justice was served.

Because of one teacher, my interest in journalism continues to thrive. It is why I have enjoyed working in cities and towns to tell stories. That is what true journalism is about. It is not just about the good, and it is not just about the bad.

I never expected my career choice would lead me down the path of rural America.

Though I still aspire to make it to the New York Times someday, I have found joy in reporting on the lesser-known individuals who make up America's heartland. From the farmers who toil in the fields day and night, to the police officers and firefighters who dedicate their lives to protecting us, these are the people I'm interested in reporting on.

Every community and every individual has a story to tell. And each of these stories is a small part of a larger story that defines the community. The responsibility of the community journalist is to find and report on these stories.

As 2010 heads underway, I look forward to working with the people of Chelsea and Dexter as you let me into your lives and into your community to tell your story.

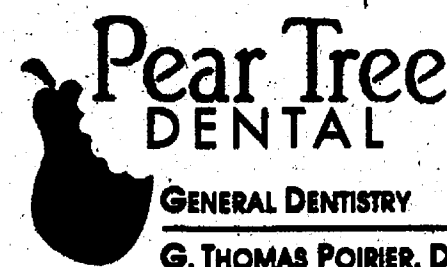


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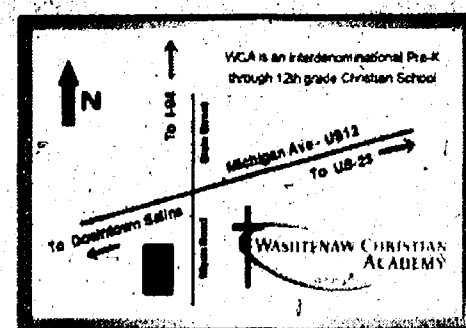
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People who made need help with food or other emergencies of eviction or utility shut off are welcome to seek help during operating hours, or in Dexter on

Mondays from noon to 4 p.m., and Wednesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. Food stamp applications, appointments for Chelsea Grace Clinic, WIC appointments are all available at Faith in Action.

Sounds & Sights CD

"The Best of Sounds & Sights" Volume 1 - 2009" CD is now available. The cost is \$5 and all proceeds go to Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights. Artists such as Bill Bynum, Matt Watroba, Coconut Radio, Royal Garden Trio, Black Train, Kitty

Donohoe and more are featured. These unique CDs are available at the chamber office. For more information, call 433-2787 or visit www.chelseacenterforthearts.org.

Heritage Guild

The Dexter Heritage Guild is seeking new members interested in getting together a couple of Wednesdays during the month at the Dexter Area Museum for arts and crafts. For more information, call Evelyn Christ at 1-734-426-9287.

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Chrysler's 300C SRT8 offers comfort, convenience and muscle car capacity

By Mike Covello
Journal Register Newspapers

As my Chrysler 300 SRT8 roared down the entrance ramp, it hit me: with 425 muscular horsepower at your right foot's beck and call, you never need to worry about getting up to highway speed by the end of the ramp.

At first, I was tempted to lead with the old Jeckel-and-Hyde routine. After all, the Chrysler 300C is a full-size luxury car that can accommodate five adults and 16 cubic feet of luggage. It comes fully loaded with a raft of comfort and convenience features. So in terms of fulfilling any good doctor's need for a practical sedan that feels at home running errands around town or headed out on the highway for distant adventures, this car fits the bill and would look at home in any medical office parking lot.

But there's also clearly a performance side to the Big C.

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There's a reason you see so many Chrysler, Dodge and Plymouth products in movies set back in the 50s, and 60s: they made a lot of big cars that were also fast. I got a little tingle every time the 6.1-liter HEMI barked to life at a turn of the key. There was even a brief flashback to the NASCAR grid at New Hampshire International Speedway. My tester's engine was luxury-car quiet at speed, but floor the loud pedal and you got plenty of that glorious V8 rumble.

I had occasion to take a weekend Halloween getaway to Cape Cod in my 300C, so I racked up plenty of miles. What turned out to be a pleasant surprise was the mileage. The EPA says you'll get 13 in the city and 19 on the highway in this configuration, but I was able to get just over 20 mpg on the way up, and that only dropped to 17 after exploring the Outer Cape and sitting through 45 minutes of "bridge traffic."

If fuel mileage is what you're looking for,

the \$28,010 base 300 has a 178-hp, 2.7-liter V6 that returns 18/26. You can also choose a 3.5-liter V6 that makes 250-hp and gets 17/25. Most folks wind up getting the Multi-Displacement 5.7-liter V8 engine in their 300Cs. You've got a robust 360-hp, and still can claim 16 city mpg and 25 on the highway. That seems to be the sweet spot in the intersection of horsepower and fuel economy. Given the \$10,000 lower price for a 300C with this engine, opting for the 6.1 SRT8 model is a questionable decision in these tight fiscal times.

The base price on my tester was \$46,610, and with the optional equipment, the tab came to just over \$50,000. The more innovative features included an automatic headlight

high beam control that was surprisingly useful. I know it sounds like a small thing, but if you spend this much money, you expect to be pampered, and not having to continually dip your lights from oncoming traffic proved to be a delight.

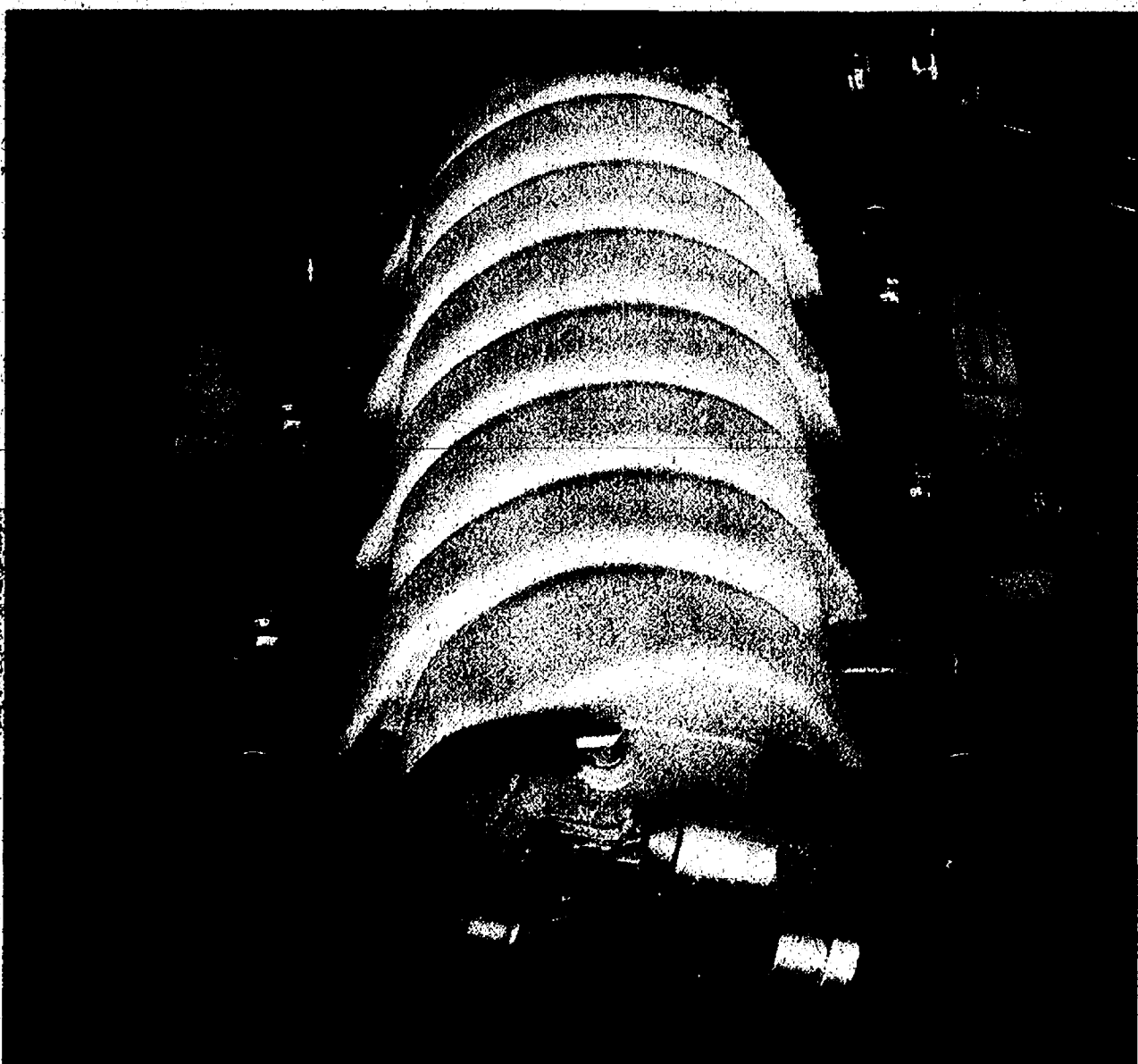
Also worthy of mention was the "Performance Features" part of the trip computer. By using the buttons on the spokes of the thick leather-wrapped wheel,

you could control the audio system as well as access a veritable data bank of statistics. You can record your times for 0-60-mph, the 1/8 and 1/4 miles. Plus, there's even a built-in g-force meter that shows you your maximum g's in all four directions.

I had the most fun trying to optimize my 0-60 times. With the standard traction control, you need to modulate the throttle just right, and you'll eventually be able to record an elapsed time of fewer than five seconds. I kept flirting with numbers in the low fives and was happy to see a 5.15 as my best time.

It's unlikely that anyone would buy a 300C for either of these gadgets. But if you want a car that rides in a remarkably comfortable fashion, has muscle car get-up-and-go, and provides plenty of room, the Chrysler 300C can easily merge right into your own garage.

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DUNLAVY, JAMES "JIM" LEO; October 29, 1940; to December 21, 2009; age 69. James left this life quietly, doing what he loved most of all, serving family and friends. His courageous fight these past few years will be an everlasting example of his spirit and love. Jim was preceded in death by his brother, Richard (d. August 29, 1980) and his parents, Led James and Mary Margaret Dunlavy of Hamburg, MI. He was married for over 39 years to Rebecca Ann (Burzan) (married February 20, 1970). She survives, along with their children, Michael Shawn (Krystel) Dunlavy, Stephanie Colleen (Doug) Schoch and Leo James (Jill) Dunlavy; and his siblings, Mary Lee Dunlavy and Catherine Ann Dunlavy; he will be forever remembered as a beloved "Papa" to his six grandchildren, Shawn Michael Dunlavy, Kelly Rebecca Dunlavy, Ryan Joseph Schoch, Shannon Rebecca Schoch, Megan LuAnn Dunlavy and James Leo Dunlavy. Jim served his country from 1959 to 1961 with honorable discharge as an E5 in the U.S. Army. While raising their family in Glidden, WI, Jim and Becky owned and operated the Black Bear Bakery/Pizza shop until 1990. Then returning to Hamburg, MI, Jim became a developer/builder. His finest work was service to others by contributing to his community, Catholic Church, charitable programs and being a loving and supportive husband, father, brother, grandfather and friend to many. His heartfelt love for his family, his friends and his country will be his living tribute to us all. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, December 28, at St. Joseph Village Catholic Church, Dexter. In lieu of flowers and gifts, a memorial fund has been created that will distribute all contributions to local charities in Glidden, WI, and Dexter, MI. Charities include Dexter Senior Nutrition Center and The Glidden Historical Light Foundation. Please make checks payable to: TCF Bank c/o: JLD Memorial, 8081 Main Street, Dexter, MI 48130, 734-428-3914. Arrangements entrusted to the Hosmer-Muehligh Funeral Chapel, Dexter.

HESLIP, JAMES F.; age 80; of Brooklyn; passed away at home on December 23, 2009 under the loving care of his family and Alleghance Hospice. James was born on August 13, 1929 in Detroit the son of Arthur and Rosemary (Higgins) Heslip. He married Elva Carhoun on September 2, 1950 in Angola, IN and she survives. Mr. Heslip was a member of St. Rita Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. He served in the U.S. Army in the Korean War. James received the Bronze Star with V Device for Valor and a Combat Infantry Mans Badge. In addition to his wife, Elva, he is survived by his children, David Heslip of Brooklyn, Jennifer Miller, Daniel Heslip both of Manchester and Michelle Smith of Tipton; eight grandchildren; and six great great grandchildren. James was preceded in death by his son, Charles Heslip. In honor of Mr. Heslip, memorial donations may be given to Alleghance Hospice. A Funeral Mass will be on Monday, December 28, 2009 beginning at 11 a.m. at St. Rita Catholic Church with Father Lehr Barkenquest officiating. Interment St. Mary Catholic Cemetery, Manchester.

HUNTER, WANETA (GILE); age 73; of Allegan, MI (formerly Kingsley, MI); passed away Monday, December 21, 2009, at Meadow Woods Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Bloomingdale, MI. Mrs. Hunter was born July 26, 1936, in Allegan, the daughter of David and Cleo (Mills) Gile. She was a graduate of Otsego High School, the former owner of Meadow Hill Adult Care Foster Home, Kingsley, was a former member of the Man-ton/Buckley Chapter #189 OES. She enjoyed crocheting and knitting. Surviving are two sons, William (Gayle) Burd, Jr. of Hart and James Burd of Saline, MI; a step-daughter, Sandi Hunter of Saline; eight grandchildren, Jimmy, Christopher, David, Josh, Blake, Austin, Jennifer and Amy; two brothers, John (Beverly) Atkins of Allegan and David (Diana) Gile of Morgantown, WV; one sister, Ella (Al) Ellis of Allegan; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a husband, Lawrence "Bud" Hunter. Services were held Wednesday, December 23, at the Bloomingdale Christian Church, Pastor Bill Napp officiating. Following the services, cremation took place. The family suggests memorials to Andre Bosse Center, a child advocacy center, 302 Hanson St., Hart, MI 49420. Arrangements by **BLOOMINGDALE CHAPEL, D. L. Miller Funeral Home** www.dlmlfuneralhome.com

MARTIN, MADELINE; of Chelsea, MI; age 88; passed away peacefully in her sleep with her daughter by her side on Thursday, December 24, 2009. She was born on July 19, 1921, in Royalton, KY, the daughter of John and Dovie (Brown) Hale. On December 14, 1940, she married Clyde S. Martin and he preceded her in death in 1994. Madeline was a very independent person and was known as a great cook and most of all a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and aunt. She is survived by her daughter, Anita (Mike) Spears of Chelsea; granddaughter, Jayma Spears (Donnie Bollinger) of Chelsea; granddaughter-in-law, Sheri Spears of Chelsea; great grandsons, Hunter Allen of Chelsea and Darren Bollinger of Chelsea; siblings, Dorothy Berger of Russell Pt., OH, Mable (Jim) Henkle of Roundhead, OH, and AJ (Priscilla) Hale of Chelsea; sister-in-law, Ruth Hale of Jackson; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Myrtle Howard; brothers, Luther and John; and grandson, Michael. A Funeral Service was held Wednesday, December 30, 2009, at 11 a.m. from the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home with Deacon Richard Shaneyfelt officiating. The family received friends at the funeral home on Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Expressions of sympathy can be made to the Humane Society of Huron Valley, 3100 Cherry Hill Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.



SLONE, MARTHA (MAR-TV) J.; age 89; of Ypsilanti and formerly Grosse Pointe Park, MI; beloved wife of Robert A. Slone; died Tuesday, December 22, 2009. Mrs. Slone was born in Mansfield, OH, May 12, 1920, to Charles and Ida (Mills) Moore. She graduated from Mansfield High School and was educated at Otterbein College and Bowling Green State University in Ohio. She was a substitute teacher in Rochester, MI, a Girl Scout leader, president of the PEO (Philanthropic Education Scholarship Organization), Chapter C.D. in Lake Wales, FL, and PEO member of the Detroit Chapter. Mrs. Slone was a Life Member and Deacon of the Presbyterian Church in Lake Wales, FL, and active member of the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church in Detroit and Life

Member and Circle Leader in the Grosse Pointe Methodist Church. In addition she was a member of the Elk Rapids (MI) Golf Club and Lake Wales (FL) Country Club and an avid tennis player, winning several championships at Saddle Bag Resort. She is survived by sons, Robert A. Slone, Jr. (Denise) of Ypsilanti, Charles R. Slone, M.D. (Linda) of Pinckney and David G. Slone (Patricia) of Grosse Pointe Woods; and daughter, Mary E. Minney of Monroe; nine grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, at the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church located at 8652 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI 48214. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson Ave. Presbyterian Church and Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103. The family would like to thank the staff at Superior Woods Healthcare Center and Arbor Hospice for the exceptional care they provided to our beloved mother in her final days. Please visit Martha's personal website guestbook to sign or leave a memory at www.niefuneralhomes.com

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When I was a teenager, I dreamed of one day owning a car with all the proper elements to have it be a great all-around vehicle: I never thought it would be a station wagon.

If you only have one car, you want it to be capable of hauling your stuff around. Back in the early 70s, hatchbacks were all the rage, so I wound up getting a Pinto, but not the "sedan." Instead, I got the identical roofline "Runabout." I was able to fit a surprising amount of my personal items when I moved back and forth to college. And what teenage boy wouldn't want to have a fold-down rear seat in his car?

I guess I may have toyed with the idea of buying a wagon, but they were certainly not considered cool. The Hyundai Elantra has a pair of comfortable bucket seats up front with more than 65 cubic feet of cargo space when the rear seats folded down. That should be enough to move yourself and your room-

mate into your dorm.

I learned to drive on a 1963 Buick Special wagon with a V6 engine and a 2-speed on-the-column automatic transmission. I honed my clutch pedal and shifting on the unlikely choice of a 65 VW microbus. (Boy, talk about

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valve British Kent motor. My potent powerplant made a good-for-its-day 100 brake horsepower. This was a measure of the engine's output in the

long shift throws.) My first car had a 4-speed manual, and I dreamed of owning an exotic car that sported a 5-speed manual. My Vivid Blue 2010 Elantra Touring SE M/T came with a 5-speed manual that was easy to shift and offered a reasonable amount of satisfaction when selecting the next cog.

My Pinto had the big engine for 1971: the 2,000cc overhead camshaft, German Cologne 4-cylinder, not the whumpy 1,800cc overhead



You get an AM/FM/XMCD/MP3 player audio system with connections for your iPod or USB port music box in your Elantra. Six speakers are standard in the Elantra Touring SE.

lab with no accessories (alternator, power steering pump, etc. attached). Nowadays we use SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) net horsepower. The 2-liter Elantra makes 138 horsepower. Technology marches on.

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Back in the 70s, there were no EPA mileage estimates. My 2,300-lb Pinto usually got around 22-24 mpg. Even though the Elantra wagon weighs in

closer to 3,000-lbs., it's rated at 23/31 city/highway. While my early engine tuning efforts were directed at more power, not more mileage, the savings from being able to get 30 mpg on the highway would have definitely been welcome.

My first car came with an AM-only radio. Eventually, I hung an 8-track player under the dash and tore apart the interior to run the wires back to the parcel shelf where I'd installed the latest audio invention, Jensen coaxial speakers. Now you get an AM/FM/XMCD/MP3 player audio system with connections for your iPod or USB port music box in your Elantra. Six speakers are standard in the Elantra Touring SE.

As far as safety features, that little Ford Pinto had the latest in seat belt technology—a shoulder strap that buckled into

the lab belt. I totaled my first Pinto and my cursed roommate totaled the second; but thanks to these seatbelts, no one was hurt either time. The Elantra has dual front airbags, dual front seat mounted airbags, roof-mounted side curtain bags, active head restraints and front seatbelt pretensioners. None of these lifesaving devices were invented back when I had my Pinto.

The Elantra also comes with 4-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock circuitry. Only the high-end sports cars had 4-wheel discs in the 70s, and ABS brakes were in their infancy. My Elantra not only stopped quickly and without any wheel lock up, the 17-inch alloy wheels it sported looked good and gave a good view of the discs. The also rode very well. The 215/45x17-inch tires on the Hyundai were far lower profile than anything

available back then. Sixty series tires were just coming into vogue, and even the hottest racecars didn't have a 45-series profile. At least I knew enough to be an early adapter of Michelin X radials while all my friends were fans of Goodyear Polyglas GT bias belted tires.

And then there's price: the Elantra Touring GLS starts at \$15,995, and my tester was \$19,845, nearly ten times the Pinto's \$2,348, as I remember. Factor in nearly forty years of inflation, the increased safety, the convenience items that were luxury car only back then, and the Elantra looks like a pretty good deal for everyday use.

Now all you have to do is figure out a way to convince a teenage boy that driving a wagon is cool.

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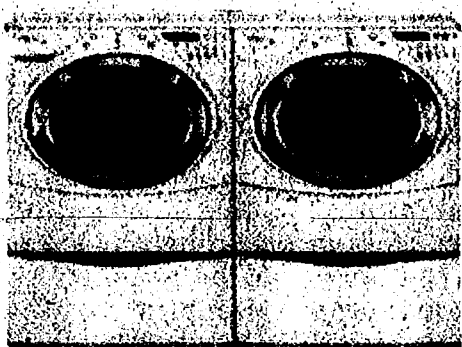
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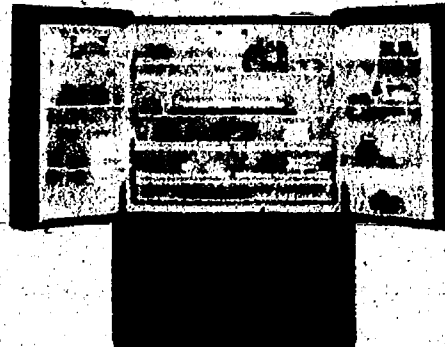
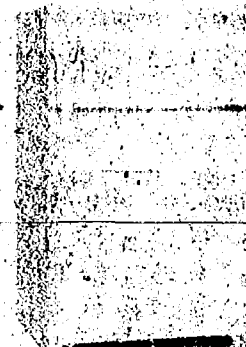
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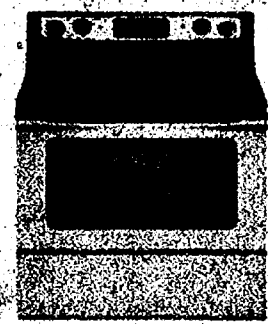
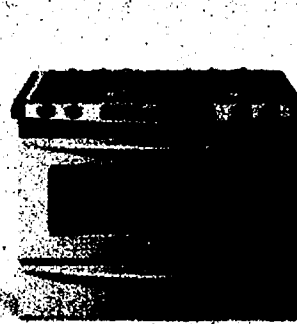
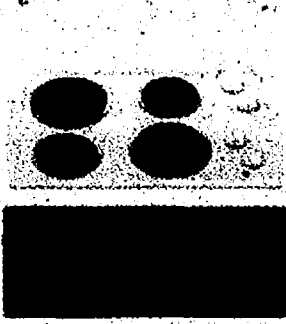
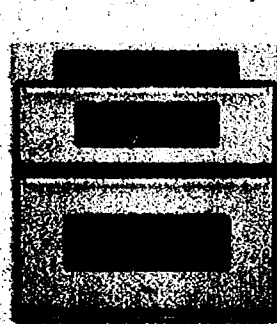
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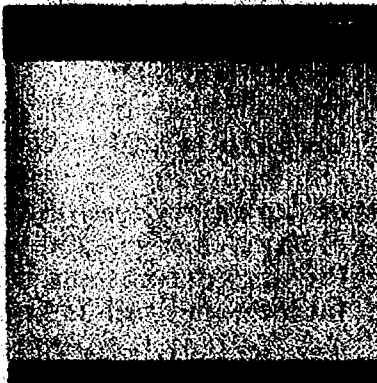
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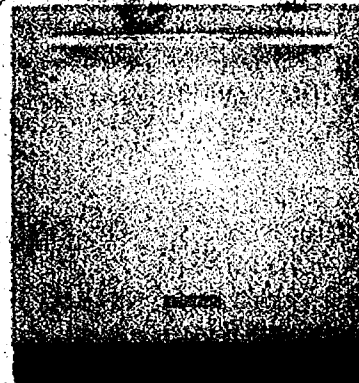


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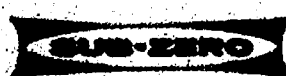


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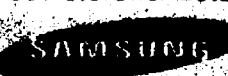
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Doors open at 4 p.m. each night; music begins at 5 p.m. The event is open to all adults ages 18 and up. New Year's Eve tickets are \$9 at the door, and music runs until 4 a.m. Each subsequent night is \$7 at the door until 2 a.m. Wristbands good for all four nights will be available for \$25 at Liberty Street Robot Supply & Repair in Ann Arbor. Band line up and further information is available at <http://mittenfest.wordpress.com>.

Red Wings staff will be at all four days of the festival with exclusive tickets to the Open Skate section at upcoming Red Wings games, and limited edition Red Wings merchandise designed by local artists. They'll

also be raffling off autographed Red Wings gear, tickets and other items. All proceeds will be donated to 826michigan. Quite Scientific Records will sponsor a champagne toast at midnight on New Year's Eve. The Elbow Room, VG Kids, and Open Skate are also event sponsors. Beezy's Café in Ypsilanti will serve a Sunday brunch on Jan. 3, 2010, during Mittenfest. Beezy's will donate 8 percent of each customer sale to 826michigan.

GALLERY

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begin drawing retail sales back into Chelsea.

"We are even more disheartened due to the gap that we know will be left on Main

POLICE

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pertinent to them."

Chief Ed Toth said the program is a good resource for police departments.

If you go...

Where: The Elbow Room, 6 S. Washington St., Ypsilanti. When: Starts tonight, doors open at 4 p.m. Cost: \$9 on New Year's Eve and \$7 each additional night. More information: <http://mittenfest.wordpress.com>

Street," he said.

Galvin said despite numerous attempts to keep the gallery a viable business, the amount of sales dropped off dramatically in 2009.

"It was circumstances beyond anyone's control," he said.

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FIRE

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Their parents said the blaze that blackened their Christmas had also caused both youngsters to have nightmares.

"Julien woke up saying, 'fire, fire, everyone out,'" his mother, Lauren DeHaven, said.

In fact, the whole family was affected by the aftermath of what could have been a real Christmas tragedy.

Her fiancé, Justin Hammond, said everyone had a rough time on Christmas night.

But the children were excited to meet the firefighters two days later, even more so when they were given junior firefighter helmets to wear.

In fact, they had drawn spe-

cial pictures for the firefighters.

But what the youngsters didn't know was that a tour of the fire station was just the beginning of their post-Christmas fun.

Inside the day room under firehouse Christmas tree, were stuffed animals and lots of wrapped presents.

"They know what happened," DeHaven said, referring to losing all their presents. "But we didn't tell them about this."

Guided by a list of what had been lost, and led by the efforts of Rose, the Chelsea Area Fire Authority, the Michigan State Police, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, Smith's Towing, Pamida and anonymous residents, enough money was raised to replace most of their ruined Christmas gifts. Each new one had a tag,

but that didn't stop Sophia from grabbing gifts of all sizes and happily ripping away the Christmas wrapping that Rose personally cut, bowed and taped.

Julien seemed fine with letting his sister do all the work, gleefully taking the ones he knew were meant for him.

The scene was an emotional one for both parents, who watched as toy after toy was unveiled.

Calling the effort a blessing, they drove back to Brighton knowing that there is still good in the world.

And that the aftermath of something seemingly terrible can truly have a happy ending.

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EXTENSION

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manent," McGill said. "We want to the local economy here in Washtenaw County to benefit, but we want it to benefit in a safe manner."

"When you extend the threshold of the runway, the margin for error will be so small should something go wrong in a landing or a take-off it is an invitation to disaster."

In addition, McGill said when they first bought their Stonebridge condo, which lies due east of the airport, they were told the airport would not be expanding, but they did not have anything in writing showing that.

Kulhanek replied saying he would understand if they were putting in a new airport, but residents should have known what they were getting into when they bought a house a few short miles away from an airport.

"All I can say is that if a real estate agent sold you a bill of goods and that turns out not to be the case, then either shame on you or shame on the real estate agent," Kulhanek said. "It's unfortunate a developer stuck a residential neighborhood at the end of a runway, but that was 25 years ago."

Other concerns

McGill says his research has also prompted concerns beyond the safety of surrounding residential areas and increased air traffic. He said that he and his wife have slowly uncovered unsettling pieces of information acquired through the Freedom of Information Act and have been distributing that information through fliers and the Web site.

"It's like peeling back the layers of an onion," McGill said.

One of their concerns deals with an Ann Arbor Airport client and supporter of the extension of the runway, AV Fuel. McGill said AV Fuel is the largest fuel supplier to the facility and conducts a significant number of operations at the airfield. In addition, McGill said the head pilot from AV Fuel currently sits on the Community Advisory Committee, a group mandated by the environmental impact study, established to analyze the extension plan and has accompanied Kulhanek to City Council meetings to show his support for the runway plan.

"I would say that is less than arm's length relationship, wouldn't you?" McGill said. "It's a very less than what you would call objective and open process that allowed the plan to get a lot further than it should have."

Kulhanek, however, said AV Fuel, which also rents hangar space for the company's Citation XL, conducted a total of 250 operations in and out of

the airport last year — out of 65,000.

"So that represents less than 1 percent of our total operations," Kulhanek said. "I'm not sure what (McGill) is trying to imply. They are already coming in and out of the airport."

McGill takes it further, saying that the AV Fuel speculation is indicative of the surreptitious process in which preliminary plans for the runway extension were approved by City Council, thereby prompting an impact assessment study of the plan conducted by the Federal Aviation Administration, which

We are willing to do whatever possible legally to stop this expansion. We'll take it to federal court.

KATHE WUNDERLICH
Stonebridge resident.

is ongoing. McGill said the city has not been open with its intentions and that has caused wasted opportunities for public comment.

"If the city of Ann Arbor had been more forthcoming in its plans, we would have been able to voice our concerns to the state, but now it's just before City Council," McGill said. "Many of the council members have changed their minds since first approving the plan."

The first discussions regarding a possible runway extension came about in the Ann Arbor Municipal Airport Revised Layout Plan, which made its way through City Council and the Airport Advisory Committee in late 2007. In a letter from Kulhanek, he stated to City Council members, "I think you all know the benefits surrounding the extending the runway," despite that the plan had been rejected by city officials four times previously, according to McGill.

The plan was approved by the state in April 2008, but a letter addressed to Pittsfield Township then-Supervisor James Walter notifying him of the runway plan wasn't received until August. A mandated 60-day public comment period in which municipal officials can submit their concerns in writing, by that time, had already passed, according to McGill.

"The letter was dated one day before the expiration of the public comment or to be able to object to the plan in federal court," McGill said.

A recently approved revision to the 1979 agreement governing the relationship between Pittsfield and the city of Ann

Arbor and how they facilitate maintenance at the airport stipulates that Pittsfield Township officials now must be notified in advance before City Council can approve changes to the airport.

McGill said it was the snafu with Walter that prompted the eventual change.

While the debate on extending the runway continues, Ann Arbor Mayor John Hieftje said the issue is currently not before council and he doesn't expect the issue to be placed on the agenda any time soon.

As for gauging the council's thoughts on the project, Hieftje said he couldn't speak for everybody, but that he was personally concerned about approving major changes at the airport.

"I have said for a very long time, whenever residents have come and asked me about the project, I have told residents that I wasn't interested in changes at the airport, especially if it means bringing in larger and heavier planes," Hieftje said. "But I am interested in making the airport as safe as is reasonable."

When the issue does make it back to City Council, Hieftje estimated some time in late January after the environmental impact study is completed, city administration will continue to not only continue "critical research" on the project, but also whether that length of runway is necessary.

"I have my doubts about whether we need to extend the runway to that length," Hieftje said. "When it comes before us, we need to really take a look at it."

Federal Funding

The proposed runway extension for Ann Arbor Municipal, if approved, will be completed with federal grant funds filtered through the FAA's Airport Improvement Program, which has funded approximately 90 percent of the renovations and construction projects at the airport, according to Kulhanek.

As a condition of the grant, the airport must stay an airport for the next 20 years, which, again, has caused concerns for

residents near the airport as they envision larger and heavier planes buzzing over their homes for quite a while.

Kulhanek said that keeping the airport open for 20 years was a stipulation of accepting the grant money from the Airport Improvement Fund, but it's standard contractual agreement that comes with accepting any funds from the FAA. He said a recent project in which the city constructed a new hangar on site also was funded through the FAA and came with the same stipulation.

Kulhanek took issue with the implication that by accepting the federal funds, they were being mandated by the government and ceding some operational control over to the FAA. "...the context in which that is being used is misleading," Kulhanek said. "This is not a new thing. That language is pretty standard and that applies to all airports, not just ours."

Another condition of the grant stipulates, according to Wunderlich, that by accepting the FAA funds, the airport can no longer turn away aircraft that might pose a threat to the property and neighborhoods because of the classification or experience of the pilot.

But Kulhanek says they can't do that now.

"We are part of the public transportation system. Last year, we had 16 C-Class operations (larger commercial flights) here. Could I prohibit any of those to land here at the airport? No, we can't do that now, according to the FAA, and that's not going to change."

Smaller airports across the country have dealt with this issue for more than 25 years, said Kulhanek, with the most recent case coming from Santa Monica Airport in California when the city sued the airport in 2002 with the goal of pre-determining what classification of aircraft can conduct operations.

As a result of the case, a federal judge determined that airport classification codes, which indicate the size of the airport, cannot be used to limit what types of aircraft can land

or take off at any particular airport. And that, ultimately, the safety of the flight must be determined by the head pilot, not the airport manager or control tower.

"In other words, the pilot in command of an aircraft is the final authority on safe operation of the flight," Kulhanek said. "It's pilot's obligation to know the aircraft and know where they are coming into and flying out of. It's not a local decision."

What's next?

No matter what happens with the runway decision, McGill and Wunderlich said they have plans, but they are completely prepared to fight the extension — if it's eventually approved by council — tooth and nail.

"We are willing to do what-

ever possible legally to stop this expansion. We'll take it to federal court," Wunderlich said.

But the couple, who said they thought they were buying a quiet, little condo only to run into this, is hopeful that common sense will prevail among city officials.

"Our hope is that City Council has enough concern for their fellow neighbors that they see this move is not necessary," McGill said. "This presents huge financial liabilities to the city. I think if there was an accident and a lawsuit against the city, that they could be held negligible because they knew the risks involved. They couldn't be presented as an unknowing third party."

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The men's basketball team is set to host Northwood University, Wednesday, Dec. 30, followed by a second non-conference game against Chicago State, Sunday, Jan. 3.

The women's squad will host Cleveland State Tuesday, Dec. 29, followed by a Monday, Jan. 4, home game against North Dakota before opening the MAC season Wednesday, Jan. 6, in the Convocation Center against Central Michigan.

In addition to the men's and women's basketball programs, the men's and women's indoor track teams will open their 2010 seasons Saturday, Jan. 9, at the EMU Open in Bowen Field House.

Following is a breakdown of home EMU athletic events from Dec. 29-Jan. 9.

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	Convocation Center	2 p.m.
Jan. 4	W. BASKETBALL HOME, NORTH DAKOTA	
	Convocation Center	7 p.m.
Jan. 6	W. BASKETBALL HOME, CENTRAL MICHIGAN*	
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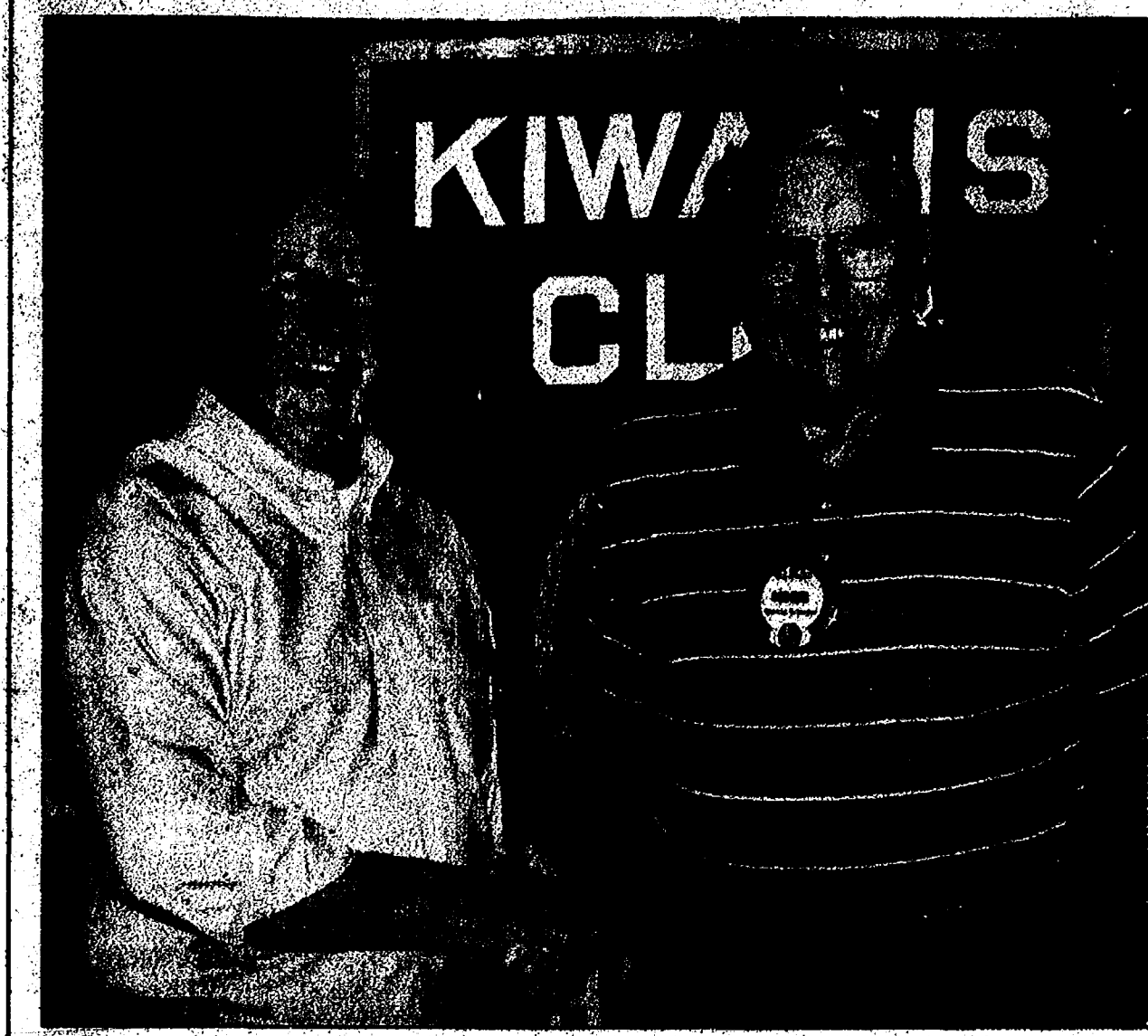


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Chelsea Senior Center, a place for purpose

Everyday at the Chelsea Senior Center, our building is filled with laughter, movement, good food, good friends and warmth. Through our wide variety of programs, services and volunteer opportunities, the senior center is a thriving place.

As the new director of the center, I have had the opportunity to get to know many of the familiar faces that come through our doors. Some of our frequent visitors are people experiencing a loss of a spouse or a job, either by retirement or layoff. Others find that just coming to the center provides purpose in life and in older adulthood. This purpose becomes more and more difficult to find. This place we call a senior center is so much more than the programs we offer.

The culture of the Chelsea Senior Center has developed through the continued support of our community. The regular contributions of individual members, community groups,

the city of Chelsea and the Chelsea United Way keep us going strong. Financial contributions to the center are tremendously important to our long-term success. Like many not-for-profit organizations, our expenses continue to grow and our income continues to be uncertain.

For several years we have been able to depend on the support of the Chelsea United Way to fund operational expenses such as our caring and considerate staff, our facilities, and some program expenses as well. Their support is essential to us.

During the next month, the United Way is holding its annual fund-raising drive. I would encourage you to think about how your contribution impacts the lives of older people in your community.

By donating to the United Way you could be providing a senior in your community with purpose, joy and laughter — not to mention a hot meal, educational programs, and unique services for older people.

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purpose, laughter and warmth, come pay a visit to the center. We love seeing new faces, and everyone is welcome. For more information, call 1-734-475-9242.

Lindsay Bacon
Executive Director
Chelsea Senior Center

Chelsea Gallery closing doors

We have pursued many angles that would enable us to continue to keep the Chelsea Gallery a viable and vibrant business. It is with deep regret and misfortune that we are informing readers that the gallery will be closing on Dec. 31.

We appreciate your support and dedication over the years. There is never a good time to share this message, but we must move forward and hope that the relationships that we have developed over the years will continue.

We are even more disheartened due to the gap that we know will be left on Main Street (hopefully not for long), and are most appreciative of the

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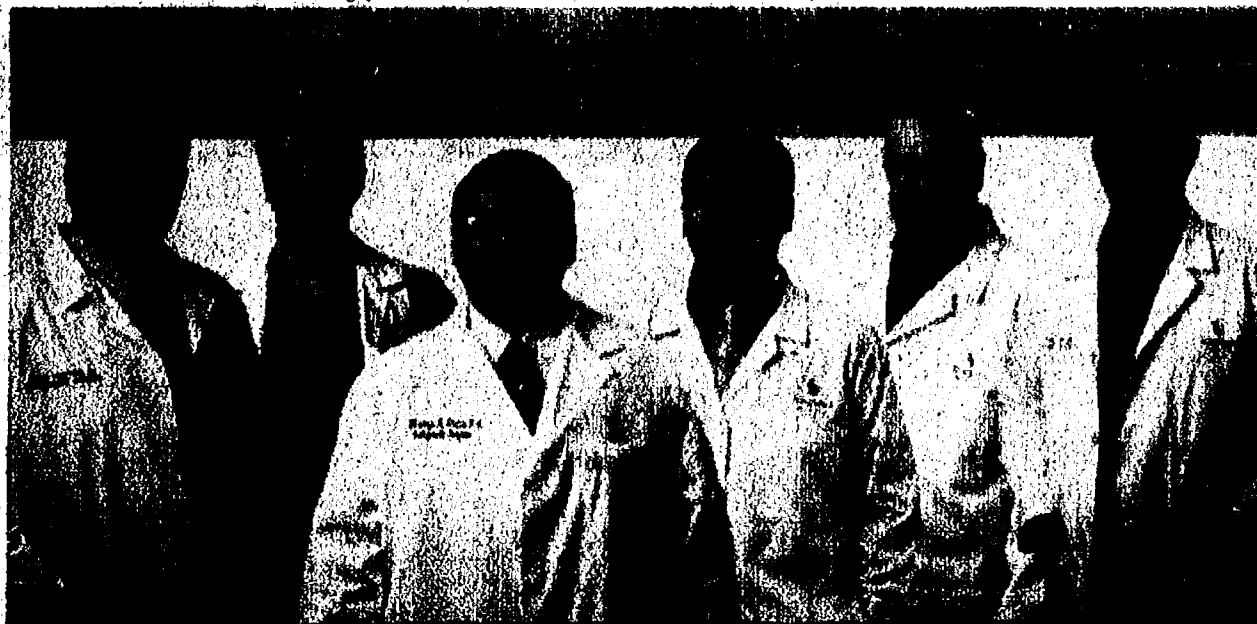
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Year defined by wild rides

It was an exciting year of sports in Chelsea and Dexter in 2009. The following are five of the most memorable moments of the past year.

No. 1

Chelsea riders win state title

Chelsea's equestrian team captured a state championship Oct. 15 through 18 in Midland. The five-member Bulldog equestrian B team participated in the state final against 40 squads from throughout Michigan.

Chelsea's riders competed in 17 events. Each Bulldog team member had to ride in at least eight events proving Chelsea's versatility and overall skill and talent.

The four-day state final is a tough competition. The Bulldogs proved their mettle by improving throughout the event.

At the end of the first day of competition, Chelsea found itself in fourth place overall.

By the conclusion of the second day, the Bulldogs were still in fourth spot. After the third day, Chelsea moved up to third place overall, only 60 points out of first place.

On the fourth day of the state final competition, the Bulldog riders performed well in Saddle Seat Pattern grabbing two first-place finishes, two second-place marks, a fifth place and an eighth place. With its strong showing in Saddle Seat Pattern, Chelsea moved closer to first place overall, trailing the leader by only 18 points.

Through grit and determination, the Bulldogs were able to surpass the leader and by the end of the fourth day of competition, Chelsea had proved itself as the best equestrian team in the state.

"This is truly something these riders will remember for the rest of their lives," said Chelsea coach Lucy Heimerdinger. "Everything they did all weekend mattered. They never quit, they never lost their positive attitudes and they never forgot how to treat other people."

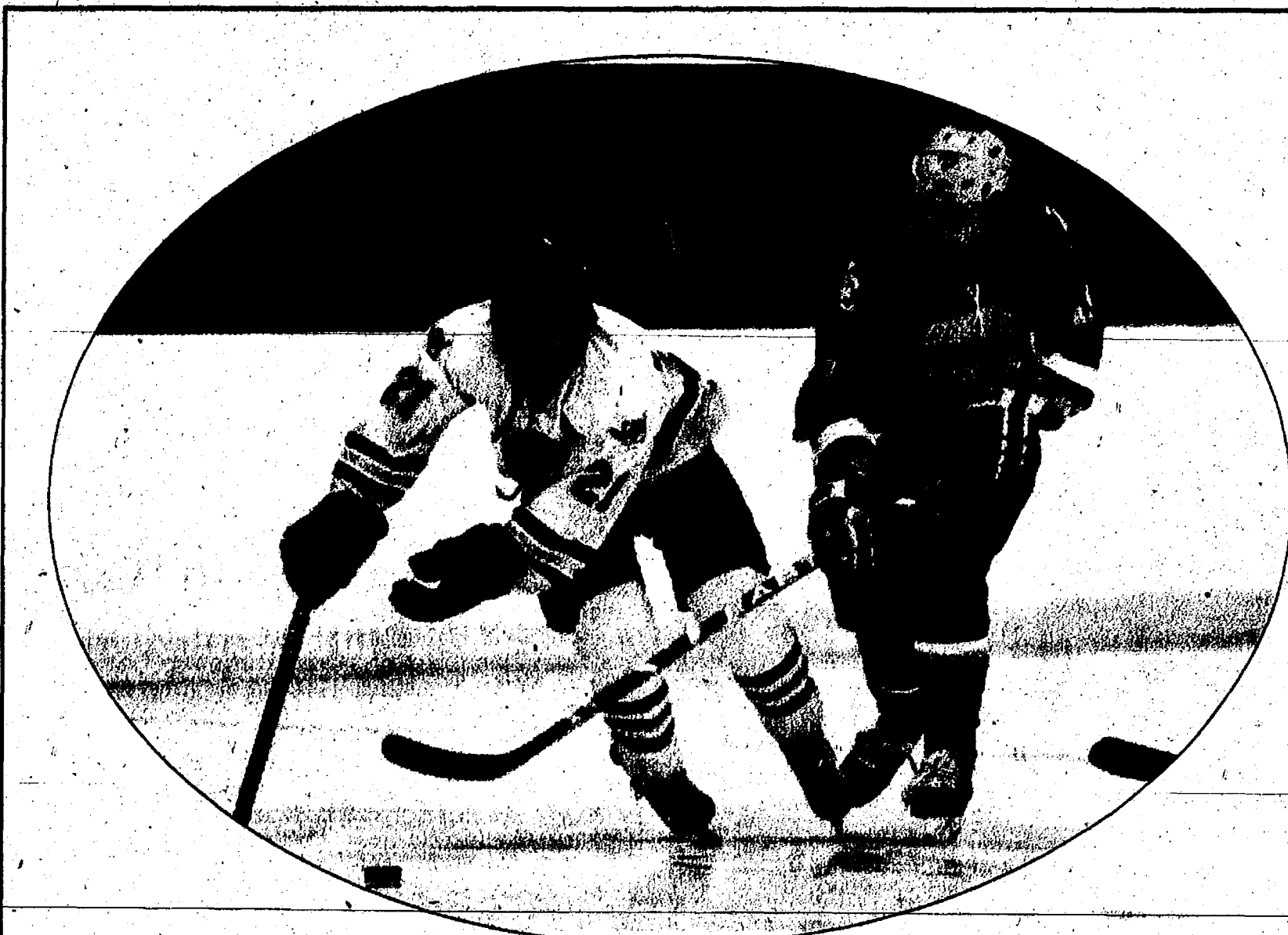
To reach the final competition, Chelsea, like it did to win the state hardware, pulled out a regional championship on the last day and won the district title on the last day.

Members of this season's Bulldog state champion equestrian team included Megan Hardcastle, Rachel Aughton, Tori Bancroft, Tonya Heimerdinger and Micayla Zynda.

A senior and captain, Hardcastle is a four-year equestrian veteran. Along with her horse, Dominique, Hardcastle took top state honors in Saddle Seat and Saddle Seat Pattern this season. On another horse, Quick Draw, Hardcastle ranked in the state's top 10 in numerous events this year.

A senior, Aughton is another four-year rider for Chelsea. In 2007, she was a key member of the Bulldog team that reached the regional competition. With her pony, Jack, Aughton earned top placings in speed events for the Bulldogs. Riding her eventing horse, Flash, Aughton finished in the state's top five in jumping.

A junior and captain, Bancroft is in her third year on the Chelsea equestrian team. With her sport pony, Ladybug, Bancroft earned top 10 state placings in Hunt Seat, Western Bareback, Saddle Seat Equitation, Western Riding Pattern, Showmanship and speed events. Bancroft helped the Bulldogs win the state title with her performance in Saddle Seat Bareback.



Chelsea hockey was one of the best teams in Division 3 last season. The Bulldogs finished the year ranked No. 7 in the state with a 19-7-1 overall record. Chelsea also captured a Southeastern Conference championship last year.



Chelsea's girls' track and field team finished third in the state in the Division 2 final at Zeeland last spring. Individually, Bulldog Olivia DeTroyer won her second consecutive 400-meter run state title beating the field with a time of 57.64.

A sophomore, Heimerdinger has been on the Chelsea equestrian team for two years. With her horse, Niquita, Heimerdinger received top 10 placings in speed events, Western Bareback, Saddle Seat Pattern and Saddle Seat Bareback.

A freshman and captain, Zynda and her horse, Tiger, earned top five finishes in Saddle Seat Pattern and Saddle Seat Equitation. The duo was also top 10 in Hunt Seat Equitation and Western Riding Pattern. On another horse, Fizz, Zynda was top 10 in Western Equitation.

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No. 2

Nick Hill signs with MSU

The wait is over for Chelsea's Nick Hill.

Last week, Hill, a 5-foot-8, 185-pound running back, decided he would continue his football career in the Big Ten at Michigan State University.

"Michigan State was the best place for me to go," said Hill, who last year as a junior ran

for 2,260 yards and 29 touchdowns en route to Detroit News All-State and Detroit Free Press Dream Team selections. "I thought that going to MSU was a perfect match, a match made in heaven. Deep down inside my heart I felt this was right for me."

Hill, who runs a 4.35 40-yard dash and can bench press 315 pounds four times and squat 550 pounds, said MSU head coach Mark Dantonio was one of the main reasons he chose the Spartans.

"He told me he values education," Hill said. "He said the main thing is to get my degree. He said he wanted me to compete on and off the field and he stressed community service and giving back to people who support you. That was important to me."

Hill also said Spartan running back coach Dan Enos was a big influence on his decision to attend school in East Lansing.

"Personality-wise, we're a lot alike," he said. "We're both energetic and outgoing. We got along very well. I was very impressed with him."

Chelsea coach Brad Bush said he was excited for Hill.

"It's (MSU) a good fit for him," he said. "MSU is a place that matches up well with his skills. They run the ball a lot and he'll fit into their offense."

Last season, the Spartans signed the top two running backs in the state of Michigan in Oak Park's Edwin Baker (5-10, 205) and Battle Creek Central's Larry Caper (5-11, 215). Bush said the competition would not faze Hill.

"He knows that wherever you go, especially at the high-level, you're going to have to compete for playing time," he said. "Nick is not afraid to compete."

Hill, who'll graduate high school early in December and enroll at Michigan State in January of next year, said he simply wants to fit in and contribute to the team anyway possible.

"I'm looking forward to the competition," he said. "They're (Baker and Caper) both great backs."

Hill's father, Tom, said he'd always remember the moment his son made the decision to attend MSU.

"It was around 2 p.m. last Tuesday (June 30) and he came downstairs and said he was ready to make the call," he said. "I said where? And he said he was ready to call Coach Dantonio. I told him I'd support him wherever he chose."

Though committing to the Spartans early, there are those who worry Hill will change his mind prior to the February signing period.

According to Hill, that won't happen.

"I'm done with recruiting," said Hill. "Coach Bush called it (commitment) a marriage. He said it's not like a date, but it's more like a marriage."

Tom Hill said his son would be a Spartan.

"I told him you have to be true to your word," he said. "I told him your word is your reputation. MSU felt more like a family atmosphere. Dantonio was straightforward with him from the start. He said he owed him complete honesty. That really resonated with Nick."

Bush said Hill making his collegiate decision early would take the pressure off him as he enters his final year of high school.

"It will allow him to concentrate on his senior season," he said. "I'm very proud of him. He's the best we've ever had at running back. He's a great football player."

Bush said Hill is impressive on and off the field. "He brings a lot to the table," he said. "He has character, toughness and competitiveness. MSU will be pleased with the type of player and the type of person they're getting. He's the kind of guy people are drawn to."

Hill, who also was heavily recruited by Notre Dame, Michigan, Northwestern and

Louisville, said he has high goals as he prepares for his senior season on the gridiron. The past three years, the Bulldogs have lost in the state regional finals, two wins away from a state title.

"I want to win a state championship," he said. "I also want to rush for 3,000 yards. We have a great line this season. I believe we'll be able to do that. I want to go undefeated and win another league championship, district and regional titles. I feel it's going to happen this year."

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No. 3

Dexter soccer wins ninth straight SEC championship

Dexter girls' soccer captured its ninth straight Southeastern Conference White Division championship with its 6-0 win over host Ypsilanti Lincoln last Thursday.

Emma Monaghan opened the scoring for the Dreadnaughts (8-5-4, 7-2-3 Southeastern Conference) converting a pass from Brittany Walls for a goal and a 1-0 Dexter lead three minutes into the game.

With three minutes remaining in the first half, Walls scored on a penalty kick for a 2-0 Dread advantage.

Monaghan scored her second goal of the day off a pass from Katie McDonald increasing Dexter's lead to 3-0 at the half.

Two minutes into the second half, Monaghan scored her third goal of the contest for a hat trick and a 4-0 Dreadnaught lead. Victoria Pepper assisted on the play for Dexter.

Walls scored eight minutes later upping the Dread lead to 5-0. Kaitlyn Rize recorded an assist on the goal for Dexter.

Walls ended the scoring with her third goal of the contest for a hat trick and the final 6-0 Dread margin. Monaghan assisted on the play.

Dexter keeper Zaryn Jennings earned her seventh shutout of the year.

On May 19, the host Dreadnaughts defeated Adrian 4-0.

Pepper scored four minutes into the game off an assist from Haley Brewster for a 1-0 Dexter advantage.

Scoring goals in the second half for the Dreadnaughts were seniors Chelsea Low, Walls and Brewster. The goal scorers were appropriate since Dexter was celebrating Senior Night. Taylor Conter and Pepper recorded assists on the goals.

"Wow, you couldn't have scripted it any better for each of our seniors to score in their last home game," said Dexter coach Scott Forrester. "Each goal was that of quality, making it a pretty exciting game to watch."

On May 18, host Dexter defeated Division 3 No. 8-ranked Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 1-0.

Scoring for the Dreadnaughts was Monaghan with 1:14 left in the game.

"We played well against a very good team and thought it would end up in a draw, but Emma Monaghan showed us she is ready to score the big goals."

Dexter next begins Division 2 state district play. After press deadline, the Dreadnaughts played the winner of Adrian-Ypsilanti in the district semifinal. If successful, Dexter would play in the district final 6 p.m. Friday at Milan.

"With the women's team graduating 11 from last year's team that lost in the state semifinals, this team expected to succeed," Forrester said. "They are just now showing they can fill

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those shoes. Keep an eye on this team and join us on a ride that may be the best yet for this program.

No.4

Dexter finishes as state runner-up

Dexter's boys' cross country team finished as state runner-up placing second overall at last Saturday's Division 2 final at Michigan International Speedway.

The Dreadnaughts ended up with a score of 184 points. Winning the Division 2 state championship was Ionia with 92 points.

Rounding out the top five were Flint Powers Catholic in third place with 201 points, Grand Rapids West Catholic in fourth place with 204 points and Vicksburg fifth with 217 points.

Dexter coach Dave Testa said prior to learning their final state position, the Dreadnaughts, as a team, were disappointed in their performance because their times were slower than expected.

"The guys got boxed in at the start and the wind was pretty bad the first half mile and the final quarter mile heading to the

17:19.5.

"Aaron has been a fixture in our top four all season, which has been huge for us at every meet," Testa said.

Freshman Matt Greve finished 105th in 17:26, while sophomore Tim Bougher was 135th in 17:48 and junior Corey Birchmeier 175th in 18:05 for Dexter.

Testa said the Dreadnaughts' state meet performance was a total team effort.

"All season, Alexey and Matt have stepped up in ways I never would have imagined two freshmen were capable of doing," he said. "Corey and Tim also fought through their fair share of illness and were major contributors to the team all season."

"From the beginning of the season, the entire group of guys has been all about the team and the way they supported each other on Saturday really embodied that."

Testa said he was especially happy for his seniors.

"Ben and Aaron along with Joe Jansen, John Oliver, Dan Lopez and Brandon Saunders who knew that we had the potential to be a really good team this year and they made sure that message was known to the younger guys from the first day of practice and throughout the season," he said. "The varsity guys have really stepped it up the past two weeks. They were so driven and focused in practice as the big meets drew near. I'm so happy that all of their hard work has paid off."

The second-place finish locked

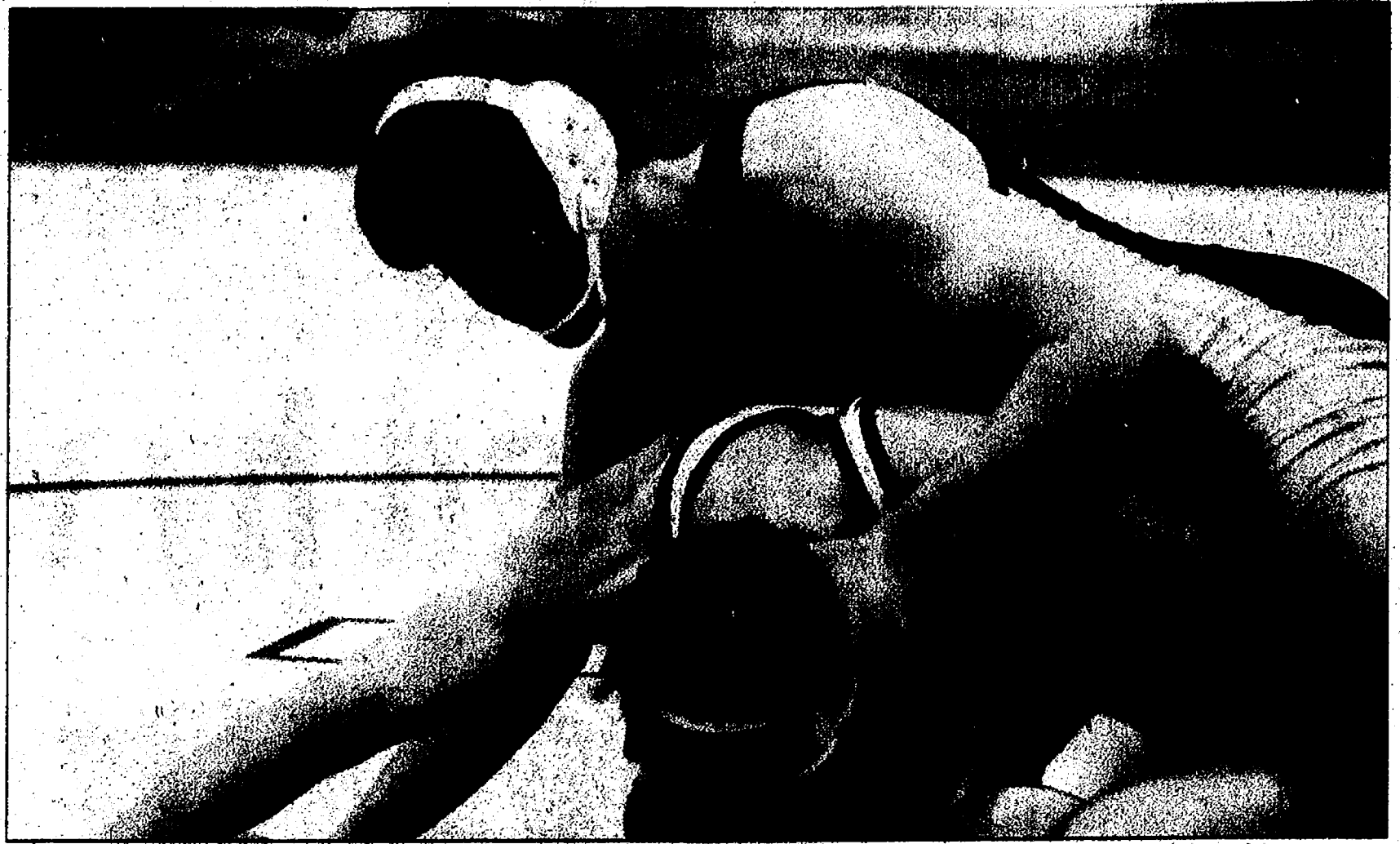


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Dexter wrestling continued making a name for itself at last year's state meet. Dreadnaught junior Dan Flowers finished as state runner-up at 112 pounds. Flowers ended the season with a 57-3 overall record.

season, once so full of promise, came to a sudden end last weekend, as the Dreadnaughts dropped two of three games in the East Regional tournament at Birmingham Groves High School.

The weekend started with a qualifying game against host Groves, the top seed from the

goals to start the game. Dexter came back with two of its own, both by junior Austin Daugherty.

Unfortunately, the Dreadnaughts only managed to muster one more goal the rest of the game, a shot by Jesse Clafin on a Stephen Sobczak assist early in the third quarter.

Dexter's defense deserves a lot of credit, with multiple steals by Daugherty, Jeff Pituch, Liam Donevan and Jake Clafin. Goalie Ian Wilson, peppered with shots from every direction all game, came up with thirteen saves.

But the Groves roster featured eight seniors, compared to three for Dexter, and it showed in size, speed and overall agility.

They won the sprint to open all four quarters, each time leading to a goal within the first minute.

The Dreadnaughts showed a ton of heart bouncing back Saturday morning with a decisive 13-4 victory over Troy. With nothing on the line but pride, Dexter established control immediately, both offensively and defensively.

Stephen Sobczak opened the scoring following a Jeff Pituch block. A steal by Jake Clafin set up a beautiful backhand goal by brother Jesse.

Three consecutive Troy possessions were broken up by steals, including one by Liam Donevan from the Colts' goalie and one by Pituch to set up a Sobczak's second goal.

Pituch added two goals of his own in the second quarter to go with a lob shot by Jesse Clafin and a power shot by Mark Brown, giving Dexter a 7-0 lead at half-time.

Ian Wilson lost his shut-out in the third quarter but the Dexter offense kept rolling, with Sobczak and Jesse Clafin connecting for their third goals of the game. Austin Daugherty came up with two big goals and Liam Elmann added what the announcer called a "dribbler." Max Berry made a 5-meter penalty shot in the final minute.

Ian Wilson had fifteen saves, including seven in the fourth quarter.

The day and Dexter's season both wrapped up with one of the hardest fought games of the entire year. Walled Lake took an early lead, which they never relinquished, and came away with a 15-11 win.

Nevertheless, the Dreadnaughts battled from start to finish as if they were behind by a single goal. Dexter's defense was dogged throughout the contest,

resulting in seven penalty kick-outs and the ejection of Stephen Sobczak midway through the second period.

Employing a more targeted offensive approach, just three Dreadnaught players took most of the shots and accounted for all the scoring: Jesse Clafin and Austin Daugherty each had four goals while Mark Brown had three.

Half of the points in the game were scored in the second period, which may have been the most action-packed quarter of the season.

Starting with a 4-2 deficit, both teams traded goals until Walled Lake began to pull away with a 9-4 lead.

But that is when the offense

erupted with four unanswered goals (two each from Clafin and Brown) and closed the gap to 9-8 with less than a minute to go, as the Dexter fans roared their approval.

But Walled Lake came right back with two heartbreakers in rapid succession as the period ended to make it 11-8.

The second half was marked by continued fierce defense, notably by Pituch, Donevan and Brown, and little scoring.

Ian Wilson ended the game with 16 saves.

The prospects for 2010 are bright with five juniors expected to return and a very talented crop of JV players ready to make the jump to varsity next season.



Dexter's Kristin Yarows finished fifth in 18:47.4 in the Division 2 girls' cross country state meet at Michigan International Speedway last November. As a team, the Dreadnaughts placed eighth in the state.

finish line," he said. "We came in ranked ninth thinking that if we ran well, we'd have a shot at placing in the top five. Needless to say, when we found out we finished second, we were shocked and then quickly overjoyed. The excitement and joy the guys had when they found out they took home second place was palpable."

Leading Dexter individually was senior Ben Carruthers who finished seventh overall in the state out of 249 runners with a time of 18:11.5.

Testa said he was proud of Carruthers, who earned All-State honors for the second year in a row.

"Two years ago, Ben gave up his varsity spot to a senior, so for him to get back to the state meet and get onto the podium with his teammates is just awesome," he said.

Sophomore Taylor Neely placed 42nd with a personal best time of 18:54.

"Taylor fought through injuries and illness all season long and finally was able to hit his peak at the right time," Testa said. "His performance Saturday was a real difference maker for us."

Freshman Alexey Vermeulen ended up 59th in 17:04 for the Dreadnaughts.

Senior Aaron Gilman crossed the line 89th with a time of

up the "Team of the Decade" honor for Dexter.

"This was a goal that the boys set out to achieve as soon as last season ended," Testa said. "They wanted to make sure that they had a part in ensuring that the legacy of those great runners who ran before them would have its proper place. We are really proud to be a part of that legacy."

From 2002 to 2006, under the leadership of former coach Jaime Dudash, the Dreadnaughts won five straight state titles. In 2007, Dexter was state runner-up.

Testa said last Saturday's performance was a thrilling way to wrap up the season.

"I'm so proud of how hard all of the guys on the team have worked every single day," he said. "I'm so happy that their work and dedication has paid off in so many ways."

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No.5

Dexter reaches regional tourney

Dexter's boys' water polo

north district. Despite a gallant effort, Dexter was no match for the Gators, who opened up a 5-2 lead in the first quarter and went on to win 17-3. The loss was as painful as any this season since it knocked the Dreadnaughts out of contention for the state tournament.

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Michigan snowmobile season kicks into full gear

The temperatures are dropping and there is a sufficient amount of white stuff now covering the ground in many places in Michigan; it is time to hit the snowmobile trails and enjoy Michigan's winter wonderland.

It is clear to see why Michigan attracts thousands of snowmobile enthusiasts each winter. With an extensive trail system, abundant snow and exciting terrain, Michigan is the perfect setting for a snowmobiling adventure.

In fact, more than 6,500 miles of interconnected trails zigzag across every sector of the Upper Peninsula, northern and southwest Lower Peninsula and even in Michigan's Thumb, creating a delightful mosaic of trail options for snowmobile enthusiasts.

To put the number of miles of trail in perspective, you could travel in a vehicle from Marquette to Orlando, Fla., and back, not once but twice, and still not have traveled that many miles.

Michigan's snowmobile trail miles are split fairly evenly, with half in the Upper Peninsula and the remainder in the Lower Peninsula. From Dec. 1 through spring, riders can enjoy great riding options, as long as Mother Nature cooperates and keeps the white stuff coming down.

"Over the past few years, Michigan has experienced significant snowfall thanks to cold temperatures and lake effect snow from the Great Lakes, which has produced excellent snowmobile riding conditions," said Steve DeBrabander, manager of the State Trails Operation and Construction Unit of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Getting all these miles of trails safely signed, brushed and groomed is an enormous task. This work is completed by 68 trail sponsors (clubs) working in cooperation with the DNR. The entire program is funded through a combination of the annual \$35 trail permit, the \$30 three-year snowmobile registration fee and a small percentage of the state recreation gas tax.

The DNR administers these funds and distributes grants to the clubs for completing the signing, brushing and grooming activities. This year, approximately \$571,980 will be paid to these trail sponsors for brushing and signing and more than \$3.2 million has been set aside to reimburse trail sponsors for grooming activities. In addition, the program has provided 26 new groomers for clubs to use on the trails.

All in all, more than \$5.5 million will be used in the program to cover items such as trail brushing, signing, grooming, parking lot plowing, insurance, land leases, groomer utility costs and portable toilets. As you can imagine, a lot of effort and communication is involved to maintain 6,500 miles of trail. In fact, more than 100 grooming tractors run the state's trails day and night, ensuring the best possible conditions.

Safety on the trail involves proper trail maintenance but it is the responsibility of the snowmobile rider to operate in a safe manner.

Again this year, the DNR, in partnership with the Michigan Snowmobile Association and all snowmobile manufacturers,



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continues to advocate zero tolerance for alcohol.

Statistics show that the three contributing factors present in nearly all fatal snowmobile accidents were excessive speed, alcohol consumption and operating on the roadway.

"If people stayed on the trails and slowed down, that would markedly reduce the number of accidents," said Captain Tom Courchaine, DNR Law Enforcement field operations coordinator. "Alcohol impairs judgment and slows reaction time. It's just a matter of individual responsibility and common sense."

By following those basic

guidelines, your snowmobile ride on Michigan's trail system should be a great experience and create lasting memories.

So enjoy Michigan's winter wonderland on a snowmobile this year. It will be an experience you won't forget!

For more snowmobile-related information, such as how to register a snowmobile, who needs a trail permit, safe riding hints and frequently asked questions, visit the DNR's Web site at www.michigan.gov/snowmobiling. The Web site also has a link to help you find snowmobile education training classes in your area.

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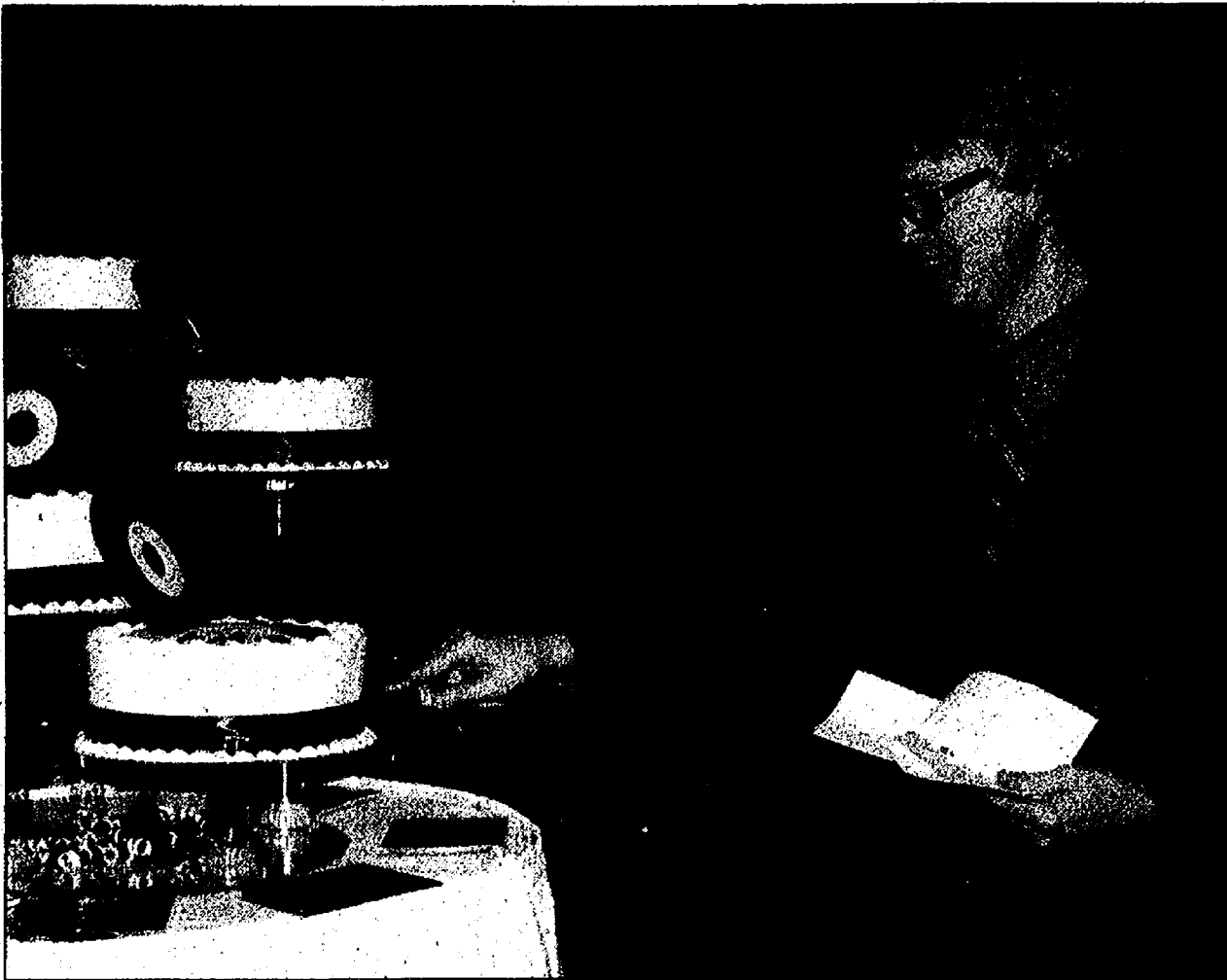
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Chelsea Arts Center celebrates 15 years



By Sue Beal
Guest Writer

The Chelsea Center for the Arts celebrated its 15-year anniversary in grand style — '60s style — at its recent Autumn Jubilee Gala held at Chelsea's Comfort Inn Conference Center.

This year is also Motown's 50th anniversary, so the event committee decided to stage a double celebration, calling the event "Art and Soul."

Two-hundred guests attended the event, some of them long-standing supporters of the CCA. Attendees enjoyed a great party, with music provided by

John E. Lawrence and his band that performed a wonderful set of Motown favorites.

Over 100 auction items were available, along with decorative frames, mirrors and some endearing clay turtles.

As it turned out, there was more to celebrate during the evening as news came through of the arrival of Iver Martinson, executive director Aubrey Martinson and her husband's newborn son.

Event co-chairwomen Maria Jacobson and Sue Beale, the anniversary committee and the Board of Directors would like to congratulate Aubrey and

Chris on the arrival of their baby boy, and would also like to thank the volunteers, donors, and sponsors for their continued support and financial assistance.

Autumn Jubilee is the CCA's main fundraiser, and enables the CCA to carry out its mission to provide opportunities for all citizens of Chelsea and the surrounding area to participate in the arts through the delivery of high quality music and instruction.

Class information can be found at www.chelseacenterforthearts.org.

(Top left) Steve Hinz, founding director, cuts the cake.
(Top right) County Commissioner Mark Oulmet dances the night away.
(Bottom right) Rick Taylor mugs for the camera.



Salon sets up shop in downtown Chelsea



Photo by Daniel Lai

All About Nails owner Phuc Lee and assistant Maleena Wong show off their new salon.

Subhead goes here, typically three decks

By Daniel Lai
Heritage Newspapers

All About Nails, Chelsea's newest nail salon, opened its doors to the public earlier this month.

Located at 1090 S. Main St., owner Phuc Lee said the business feels right at home in the Chelsea Shopping Complex.

"This is our first business in Michigan," Lee said. "We are very excited to be here in Chelsea."

No stranger to the salon business, Lee spent the last four years managing his family's other salon in suburban Chicago. Lee and his salon assistant Maleena Wong, have a combined 15 years of experience in the profession.

"Maleena has family in Ann Arbor and Saline, and we didn't want to open up a salon next to another salon," Lee said about choosing the location. "Chelsea is a very nice town, and we wanted to open our first business here."

Since opening at the beginning of December, Lee said the salon has had a steady flow of clients.

"We've been told that people

were looking for another salon and overall we've gotten positive response," Lee said.

All About Nails offers manicures and pedicures, as well as other salon services. A typical manicure will cost \$18, while pedicures cost \$30. The salon also offers combo packs starting at \$46 and custom free-style design nail artwork.

"Once we develop a customer base, we will start offering our return clients coupons and special offers," Lee said. "Right now we're settling in and getting to know the community."

Lee said working in a salon is like second nature.

"When I was younger, I would help out at my family's salon in Chicago," he said. "From there, I just built up experience and continued on my own. Having my own salon has always been a goal."

Once he found a good location for the business, the rest of his plans fell into place easily.

"It took about two months to get us up and running," he said. "All we had were walls and the concrete floor. We had to order everything we needed for the salon."

Despite the current economic recession, Lee said he is glad he was able to open the business.

"Entrepreneurs always have a certain amount of risk that they accept," he said. "I'm glad that it is working out for us."

In the coming months, Lee said he plans on marketing the business in the community by attending events and joining the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce.

"In the summer we will probably start attending some of the events in town," he said. "We want to get situated first and see what's going on."

He also plans to hire more local residents for job positions in the near future.

"My goal is to hire more people, but I want to see how busy our traffic flow gets," he said. "I don't want to hire people and have them sitting around because we don't have anything for them to do."

Since moving to Chelsea, Lee said he has been met with warm reception from the residents.

"Everyone has been very nice," he said. "I hear comments about how nice the salon looks and about our professionalism."

"Our goal is to keep our clients happy and feeling comfortable while having a good experience."

All About Nails is open Mondays thru Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome.

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Artist to showcase quilts at Silver Maples

Exhibit to run through the end of February

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

The Silver Maples of Chelsea is hosting a "Heritage Quilts" exhibit Jan. 6 through Feb. 28.

A "meet and greet" is set for 4:30 p.m. Jan. 7 with Julie Hacala, an Ypsilanti-based quilter and

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antiques quilt collector for over 30 years, who is sharing some of her quilts for display.

Hacala's extensive collection of over 200 quilts dates back from 1830 through 2009. She sells antique quilts and tops online, privately and at the biannual Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Show in Ypsilanti. She also does quilt appraisals, restores and repairs quilts for others.

Hacala's quilts at the Maples Gallery exhibit include a 1930s yellow and white appliqué butterfly quilt and a 1940s poppies

appliqué kit quilt with scalloped borders. Kit quilts were popular from 1920 to the 1940s, she said.

Two other quilts from that era are a "Trip Around the World" quilt and a "Double Wedding Ring" quilt that still has pencil markings on it.

"Every bride needed a Double Wedding Ring quilt in

Hacala's collection of over 200 quilts dates back from 1830 through 2009.

her dowry," Hacala said.

A more modern twist on the "Trip Around the World" quilt is a quilt from the '90s, made up of thousands of tiny squares to form intricate designs, a pattern identified with the Perkiomen Valley in Pennsylvania.

One of the oldest pieces is a geometric pattern "Delectable Mountain" quilt, made in the late 19th century when red and white was a very popular color combination.

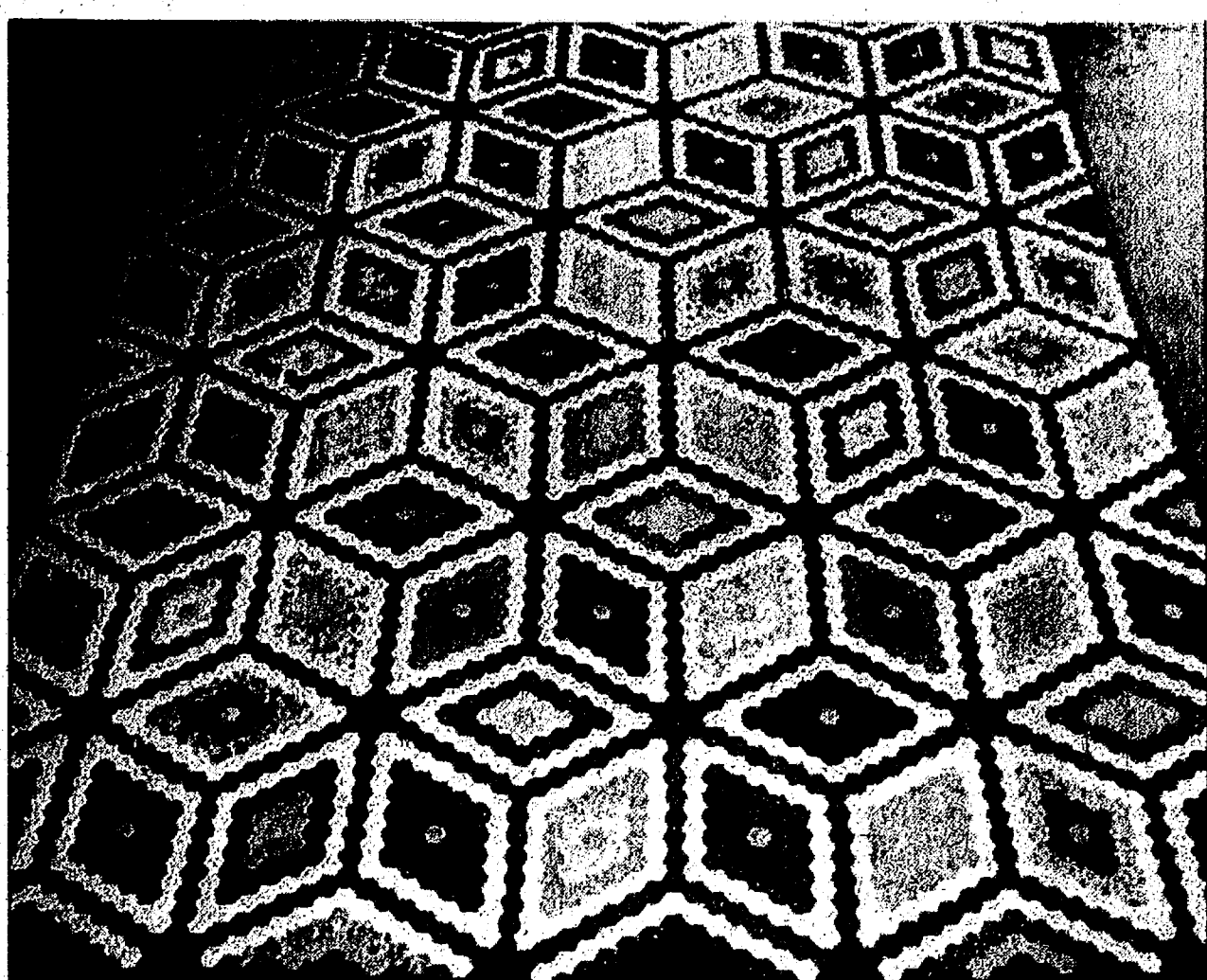
A "Houses with Stars" quilt

from the late 20th century has 25 houses set with red stars in between and bordered by more stars and tiny triangles.

Three pieces from the 1970s and 80s are "Grandmother's Flower Garden Mosaic," a quilt with green gatings and diamond shapes that form an illusion of blocks. A "Cross Stitch Baltimore Album" quilt is edged with a prairie point border, and a 1980-era "Tree of Life" appliqué quilt features a popular kit quilt pattern, with many appliquéd pieces.

"We're excited about bringing these historic quilts to our Maples Gallery," said Shawn Personke, activities director at Silver Maples of Chelsea. "They're a fascinating look into Americana with the stories behind the patterns and the way quilting tradition has been passed down through generations. It's a great addition to our Maples Gallery lineup."

The Maples Gallery, a free gallery for regional artists to display their work, is open to the public seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Silver Maples of Chelsea is located at 100 Silver Maples Drive in Chelsea. Call 475-4111.



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OTHER VOICES

Grasping the reason for the season

There are many emotions that stir around this time of year. They differ at different ages and times. It's OK to anticipate things. People, friends and family are important and a source of great joy. We do live in a material world, and God says in 1 Timothy 6 that He gives us all things richly to enjoy. It is OK to look forward to people, things and events that we enjoy. But these things fade.

Grasp hold of something really worthy of our anticipation that lasts forever. Like the real reason that Christ came — so that He could reconcile us to Himself and offer forgiveness to us (which we all need) — all of this so that we could have a relationship with Him.

His motives are pure and the results last for an eternity, long after Christmas has passed

so we need not be let down so completely after the holidays are over.

There is something lasting that is really worthy of our anticipation: not only eternal life, but a joyous life here with Him as we look for His return.

I'll admit that there was a time when I looked at Anna and Simeon and I wondered, "What motivated them?" I have since seen that they were in touch with reality and I was not.

Anticipation is excitement over expectations, which turns to disappointment when it's over. Christmas is the time of greatest depression for many. The problem is an improper focus and misplaced priorities. The expectations of Christ did not end with His first advent. He is coming back, and for those who have accepted what He did for us, the future is bright; the

present is bright; our eternity is sure; and our expectations do not fade, but become clearer as each day passes.

At this time of year we celebrate the memory of what our Lord has done for us. It is incomprehensible that the God of all creation took upon Himself the form of sinful man and dwelt among us. He subjected Himself to His creation so that He could position Himself to give His own life for our redemption.

The account is magnificent. "This is the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes."

John 5:24-25 writes: "He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

What are you anticipating?

Do you look for temporal things that are fleeting? Are you capable of looking past the here and now to the hereafter because there is a hereafter?

There is tremendous evidence. Take a look. Sharpen your focus. Check your priorities. Life here is short. Eternity is forever.

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Martial Arts to be offered

A new self-defense class is coming to Chelsea in the new year.

Kitchi Tae Kwon Do will offer Commando Krav Maga classes beginning in January. Commando Krav Maga is an Israeli self-defense system established by Moni Aizik in 1973. Commando Krav Maga was originally taught to law enforcement and military personnel only. In 2004 Aizik made the art available to civilians, and it was then that CKM took off. CKM has been featured on the History Channel's "Human Weapon," and on the Military Channel. Aizik has been featured on the cover of various martial art magazines including "Black Belt."

In December, Mike Trester and Mike Babycz, two local residents, successfully completed the Commando Krav Maga instructor course in Detroit. The course allows them the ability to instruct the reality-based martial art program under the direction of Aizik.

Trester owns Kitchi Tae Kwon Do, and has been teaching Tae Kwon Do in the area for two years. With the addition of Commando Krav Maga the organization will expand from teaching traditional martial arts to include a reality-based martial art system.

CKM is a self-defense system that allows a student to immediately understand practical and effective self-defense techniques. These techniques were derived from traditional Krav Maga and fine-tuned by Aizik to create CKM.

Trester and Babycz were two of 12 potential instructors to begin the course in Detroit. Upon conclusion of the training only three students successfully accomplished the course. The 75 percent failure rate for potential CKM instructors is expected. To become an instructor, the applicant has to show proficiency in the techniques, as well as an ability to instruct. The instructor must also live what he teaches, and



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therefore must maintain a high degree of physical and mental conditioning.

Worldwide there are over 400 CKM instructors. In the State of Michigan there are five instructors. Both Trester and Babycz are law enforcement officers, who understand a self-

defense scenario.

Commando Krav Maga classes will be held at the Kitchi Tae Kwon Do facility on North Territorial Road.

For information on Commando Krav Maga classes visit, www.CKMChelsea.info or call 1-734-904-5003.



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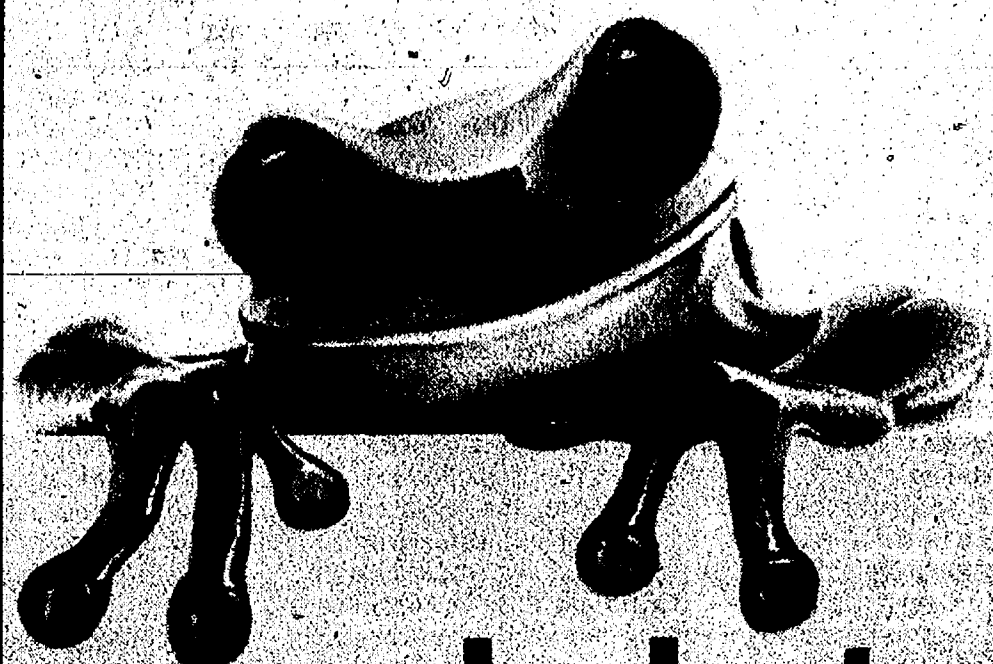
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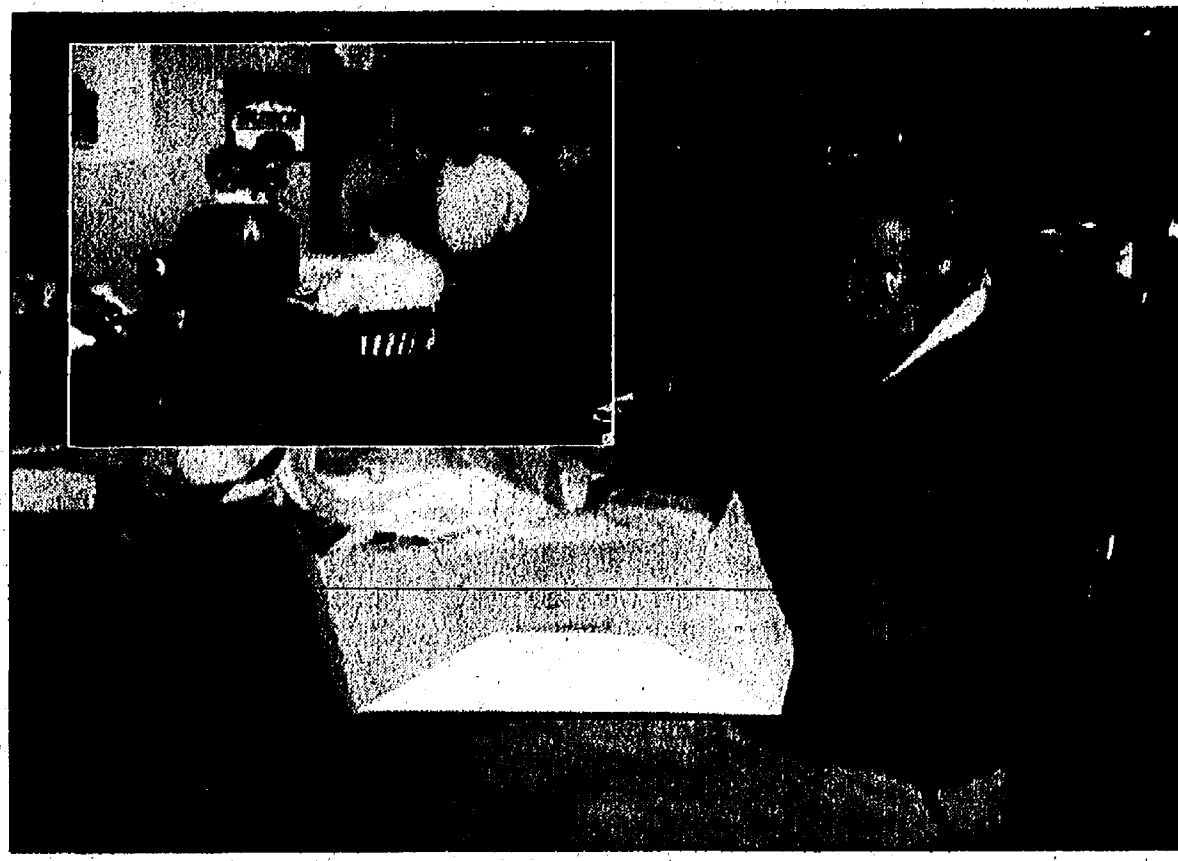
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Chelsea Lions Club Christmas party



Chelsea land owner partners with conservancy

Local resident Mary Hathaway has long celebrated the beauty of her wooded Scio Township property. Nearly every year since 1977, friends and family have convened on the land for Trillium Parties to admire the spring wildflower. This year, Hathaway worked with the Legacy Land Conservancy to once more honor the land by protecting the 4.7 acres with a permanent conservation agreement.

Since Hathaway and her late husband John first laid eyes on the property, they knew they wanted to protect it. The scenic property, traversed by a stream and thickly populated with hardwoods,

is carpeted with wildflowers every spring.

"If we didn't buy it, someone could buy it and destroy it. From the beginning, it was our intention to preserve it," she said.

Hathaway became interested in legally protecting the land after her neighbor, Don Botsford, protected 20 acres of woods creating the Botsford Recreational Preserve. By protecting her adjacent property, Hathaway knew she was supporting Botsford's project by creating a buffer for the preserve.

In addition, Hathaway knew that she would be able to maintain the natural beauty of her land for generations

to come.

"This land is a special refuge for all of us," she said. "I knew I had to do whatever I could to keep it that way."

The 4.7 acres protected by Mary Hathaway is one of 5 brand new land protection projects completed in the past two weeks by Legacy Land Conservancy.

Serving Washtenaw and Jackson counties, the Legacy Land Conservancy protects the natural areas and working farms that make across southern Michigan. Since 1971, the Conservancy has protected 3,950 acres of land through 71 projects. For more information, visit www.legacylandconservancy.com.

House passes ban on cell phone texting

A proposed bill that would make it illegal for motorists to text message while driving passed thru the Michigan House of Representatives Dec. 10.

"Drivers who are busy texting are not focused on the road and put their lives and the lives of other motorists in jeopardy," state Rep. Pam Byrnes, D-Dist. 52, said. "Unless we crack down on texting while driving, we'll continue to see completely preventable accidents and deaths on roadways

across the state. This plan is about protecting public safety and ensuring residents make it home safely."

The plan will prohibit drivers in Michigan from reading,

writing or sending text messages while driving, except to report accidents, crimes, emergencies or similar situations

only if they are stopped by police for another offense. Drivers who are caught text messaging while driving will

receive a fine, but no points will be added to their driving record.

Nearly 80 percent of accidents and 65 percent of near-accidents involve drivers looking away from the roadway within three seconds of the event, according to a 2006 study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Nineteen states and the District of Columbia already have completely banned texting while driving; nine other states have enacted bans for novice drivers, according to the Governors Highway Safety Association.

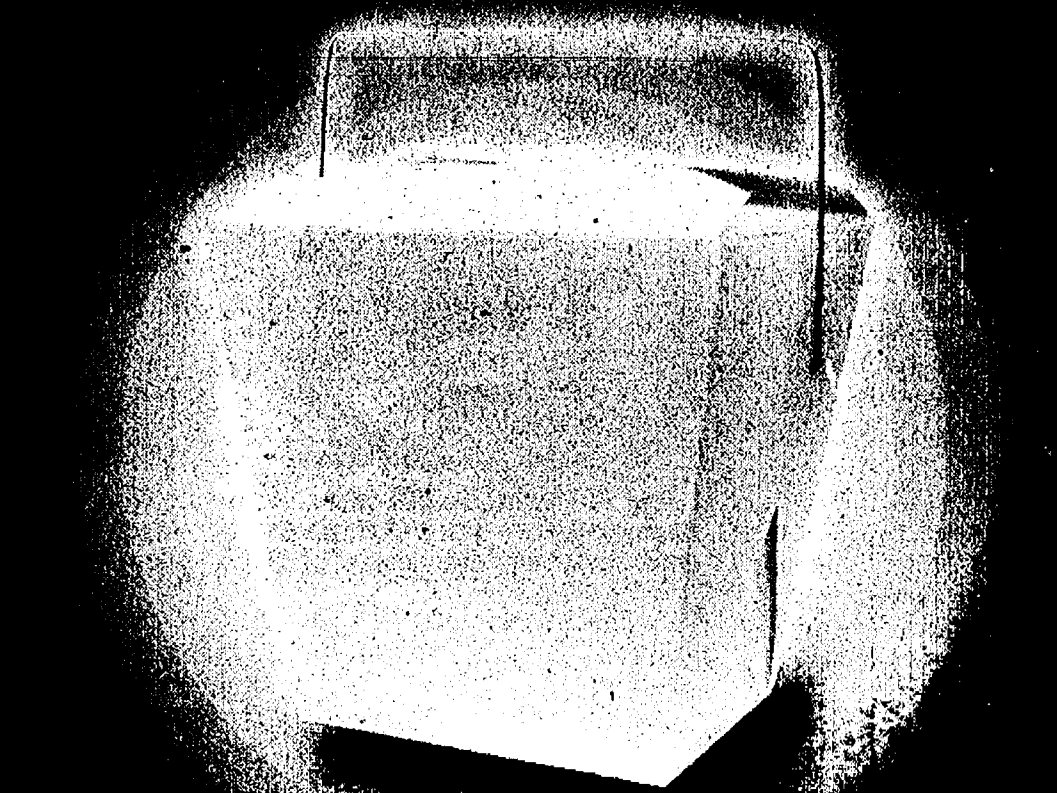
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REP. PAM BYRNES
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in which a person feels their safety is in jeopardy.

Under the House bill, text messaging while driving will be considered a secondary offense, meaning drivers will be cited

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■ Yoga Day

Yoga Day USA is an annual event where the yoga community comes together to share the health and wellness benefits of yoga by donating time to host free or low cost workshops around the country. Yoga Day USA at St. Joe's will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Jan. 23 at Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center located on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor.

The event is a fundraiser for Catherine's House, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's local charity that provides emergency food and clothing for employees in need. Donations are accepted the day of the event by cash or check. Suggested donation is \$10 individual, \$20 family. Light refreshments and raffle drawings are included. Space is limited and registration is required for each session separately. Sessions will run 45 minutes each.

Chelsea

■ Free breakfast

Where: First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., Chelsea. Call 1-734-475-8119.

When: Second Saturday of every month from 8 to 11 a.m.

Who: For anyone who wants a free breakfast and good company.

Why: Outreach of the church to help people.

■ Around Town with Linda:

This week's guest is John Schwarz, local artist

■ '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 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 Jan. 13. All performances are at the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St.

■ Chelsea District Library

For more information, call 475-8732.

Jan. 5: The McKune Memorial Library will host a Red Cross blood drive from 1 to 7 p.m. Call ahead for a 15-minute reservation at 1-734-475-8732, Ext. 219.

Jan. 6: Purple Rose Rehearsal Reading from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Registration required. Join PRTC Artistic Director Guy Sanville, playwright David MacGregor and the cast of the upcoming production of "Gravity" for a sneak peek at an early rehearsal of the play. In his preface to the play, MacGregor suggests that Sir Isaac Newton was not humanity's first scientist; he was indeed our last sorcerer. This compelling play provides a deeply sympathetic and profoundly human glimpse of this driven man in pursuit of the most important work of his life.

■ Chelsea Senior Center

Located at 512 Washington St. 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. Entrée listed, lunch includes salad bar and dessert.

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Dec 23 thru Jan 3, 2010:

Senior Center closed for Christmas Break

Jan 4: Bingo, 9 a.m.; Enhance Fitness, 10:30 a.m.; Knockwurst and sauerkraut, lunch at noon; hand and foot, 12:30 p.m.; All Write Writing Group, 1 p.m.

Jan. 5: Enhance Fitness, 9 a.m.; Mah Jongg, 9 a.m.; free blood pressure check, 10 a.m.; Wood Carving, 10 a.m.; crafts - button bracelets, 10 a.m.; fried chicken birthday lunch at noon; Quilting for Charity, 1 p.m.; Wil Fit, 1 p.m.; Euchre, 6:30 p.m.; Clogging, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 6: Foot care by appointment; stained glass class, 9:30 a.m.; Enhance Fitness, 10:30 a.m.; chicken pot pie lunch at noon; Square Dancing, 12:30 p.m.; Carrot Challenge celebration, 1 p.m.; Pinochle, 1 p.m.; Scrabble, 1 p.m.; Bowling at Chelsea Lanes, 1 p.m.

Jan 7: Enhance Fitness, 9 a.m.; Computer Club, 10 a.m.; Chess, 10 a.m.; Beef goulash lunch at noon; Chelsea Area Bridge, 12:15 p.m.; Knit and Crochet, 12:30 p.m.

■ Chelsea Center for the Arts

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

Jan. 8: Mother/daughter beading, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Spend some time bonding while making colorful art.

Jan. 9: Phenakistoscopes, open to grades 1 thru 3. Design Magic Eye drawings with friends and family.

Dexter

■ Artistica

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

■ Dexter Senior Center

7720 Ann Arbor St. Call 426-7737. Luncheons are complete - main dish listed, \$2.50 minimum donation. Reservations should be made the day ahead by noon, call 426-5397.

■ Dexter District Library

The Dexter District Library is located at 3255 Alpine St. in Dexter. All library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call 734-426-4477.

Dec. 31- Jan. 1: Library is closed.

Jan. 2: Registration begins for Winter Story Time.

Toddler Story Times for ages 18 months to 3 years: Monday, Wednesday or Thursday at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Preschool Story Times for ages 3 to 5 years: Monday or Thursday at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday at 1 p.m.

Jan. 5: Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007. Registration will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Drop-In Sip 'n' Stitch for Teens and Adults takes place from 7 to

8:30 p.m.

Jan. 7: Introduction to Social Networking. Registration is at 6 to 8 p.m.

Parks

■ Gerald E. Eddy Discovery Center

Located at 17030 Bush Road in the Waterloo Recreation Area near Chelsea. Call 734-475-3170.

Sky Cross Country: Jan. 16, at 2 p.m. Join us for a class on the basics of cross-country skiing. Following the class, participants will take a refreshing ski tour of the trails near the Discovery Center. Afterwards,

participants can enjoy hot chocolate and coffee while finding out about the best skiing opportunities in Michigan State Parks.

■ Hudson Mills Metropark

8801 N. Territorial Road, Dexter. For additional information or to register for programs, call 1-800-477-3191.

Jan. 2: Bird Hike, 8 a.m. Winter birds are worth getting out to see. Join us for our monthly morning bird hike. Bring your binoculars and make sure to dress for the weather. No prior birding experience required. Fee is \$2 per person. Call 426-8211 to register.

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FAMILY PRIDE

The Resnick Family traveled from Texas, New York and Huntington Woods, to view the restored 1930s mural painted by their relative Harold Fisher. The U.S. Postal Service had the mural restored after it was removed from above the post master's door in the old post office building on Main Street and recently rehung in the new building. Pictured are (back row from left) Windy Johnson, wife of Fisher's grandson, Joseph Resnick, both of Austin, Texas, Andrew Wells, husband of Fisher's granddaughter, and Georgina Wells, great-granddaughter of the painter. The Wells are all from New York. (Front row, left to right) Melanie Wells, Fisher's granddaughter, Fay Ann Resnick of Huntington Woods, Fisher's daughter, and Justine Well, Fisher's great-granddaughter.

Daniels among degree recipients at U of M

Chelsea resident Jeff Daniels gave the address at the 2009 University of Michigan Winter Commencement ceremonies on Dec. 20 in Ann Arbor.

Daniels and renowned journalist Helen Thomas, a Detroit native who spent the duration of 10 presidencies in the White House Press Corps, along with Grace Lee Boggs and Edward Osbourne Wilson received honorary degrees.

Below is the abridged address from Daniels to the 2009 winter graduates:

Thank you President (Sue) Coleman, distinguished faculty, (and) my fellow honorees, who I have enjoyed last night and this morning.

Students, parents, provosts, regents - who am I forgetting - anyone?

It's a great honor to be recognized by this fine institution. I grew up just 15 miles from here and usually just spent Saturday nights in Ann Arbor. Wearing something resembling something honorable is very good for me.

So I was sitting on the toilet in "Dumb and Dumber" ... and I'm debating about the end of my career. And I'm worried that what I'm about to do in this scene is going to do just that.

Jim Carrey comes up to me and says, "Hey Dan ... why so glum?"

I say, "Well I just can't believe I'm about to do this ... what I'm doing is meaningless, it has no value, it's nothing."

He said, "Are you kidding me? By doing this scene, one day you are going to be asked to give the commencement address at the University of Michigan!"

So maybe it does have some value. And that's what I'm going to tell you.

I used to be, not here, but I used to be you. I had talent. I had a gift. And I had a lot of people, all of those people sitting up in those seats spent money on me. All of these people who have invested their lives doing their life's work so that you could come out of this place better.

So I was completely aware that there were people, including my parents, here that spent the money and were going, "Please, please ... I hope it works."

Well that's what all of us are doing here, because we've done what we can do for you. It's up to you now.

And I've got news for you. The world doesn't give a damn where you went to college.

I'm sorry, but it doesn't. It's a wonderful achievement. This is a fine university, but you're going to find out tomorrow morning that the world doesn't care.



Jeff Daniels

But you can change that. You can make them care, and I ask you that whatever it is you do, decide to do something that is your life's work that is your passion that means something to you.

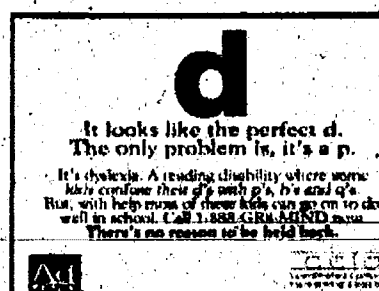
This world is full of people who aren't doing that. Be one of those, especially coming out of a place like this, who does make a difference, as the president would say.

But that comes down to little things, big things ... it comes down to you deciding tomorrow morning to do that, because otherwise you're wasting their money. Otherwise you're wasting your time. And we're of the age where we're no longer interested in people who can't help us, who can't make things better. The world is full of those people.

You owe us that. You owe all these people to give everything you've got towards your life's work, whatever that is. And you have to owe it to yourself above all to not waste the money, to not waste what you've done over these past four years.

One day you're going to be as old as I am, believe it or not. One day you're going to be as old as all of us, and you're going to look back on your life, and trust me you're going to want to do something and be able to say that what you did with your

life mattered. It counted - big, small, don't care.



NOTICE OF ADOPTION LIMA TOWNSHIP 11452 JACKSON ROAD

The Lima Township Board has adopted Lima Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment Number 22Q, on December 14, 2009, to add Section 5.37.7, which amends the Lima Township Zoning Ordinance, to allow keeping of chickens on Rural Residential, RR zoned parcels.

This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after its publication as required by law.

Complete copies of Section 5.37.7 Keeping of Chickens on Rural Residential, RR zoned parcels are available at the Lima Township Office. Business hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings between 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk, Lima Township

Publish December 31, 2009

SYNOPSIS OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD DECEMBER 14, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge to the Flag. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustee McKenzie and Laler, and Zoning Administrator Pristinger. Also present several residents.

Motion by Laler supported by Havens to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2009 regular meeting, as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by Laler to amend the agenda to add to New Business: MTA Educational Conference, CACA Lease Proposal, and Wireless Internet. Motion carried.

Public comment was received.

The Treasurer's report was received.

The Zoning Administrator issued permits for one home addition, three pole barns, two decks, one seasonal sign, two final inspections and one demolition. He reported on the small wind tower/solarwood burning seminar.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to accept the proposed CACA building lease dated June 1, 2009, with the following revisions: That the space be \$1000 per month, that the lease have access to common areas and the CACA conference room, and that the layout of space be acceptable to the Lima Township Board for Lima Township office needs. Roll call vote: Ayes: McKenzie, Laler, and Bareis. Nays: Unterbrink and Havens. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-11 was offered by McKenzie supported by Unterbrink, a Resolution Supporting the efforts of the Chelsea Area Planning Team (CAPT) and the Chelsea Area Regional Team (DART) Alliance in Developing an Access Plan, as stated in proposed resolution dated November 9, 2009. Ayes: Laler, Havens, Bareis, McKenzie and Unterbrink. Nays: None. (A complete copy of Resolution #2009-11 is available for review at the Lima Township Office.)

Resolution #2009-12 is a resolution to initiate a Project to Maintain and Improve a Resource Recovery System Through the Washtenaw County Board of Public Works was offered by Havens and supported by Unterbrink, Ayes: Laler, Havens, Bareis, McKenzie and Unterbrink. Nays: None. (A complete copy of Resolution #2009-12 is available for review at the Lima Township Office.)

Motion by Havens supported by Bareis in reference to CAPA Chief Jim Payeur's letter dated October 21, 2009, requesting payment for a dry hydrant installation, Lima Township requests dry hydrants be installed at CAPA's cost due to the millage levy. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to grant the request of the Chelsea Free Methodist Church, their letter dated November 19, 2009, an extension of that site plan application #07-004 for 180 days until July 15, 2010. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-13 is a resolution to approve Application #09-020, Ordinance #24, a recommendation by the Lima Township Planning Commission on November 17, 2009, and the Lima Township Planning Commission Ordinance, which amends the Lima Township Zoning Ordinance, to allow keeping of chickens on Rural Residential, RR zoned parcels was offered by Havens supported by McKenzie. Ayes: Havens, McKenzie, Laler, and Bareis. Nays: Unterbrink. (A complete copy of Resolution #2009-13 is available for review at the Lima Township Office.)

SCIO TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

MEETING TO BE HELD AT
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ANN ARBOR MI 48106

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the Scio Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held at the Township Hall, 527 N Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. During this meeting the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold public hearings on the following matters pursuant to the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance of 2009, as amended:

A. Variance # 1530, by Vanston/O'Brien Inc., for Liberty Company, LLC, regarding property code # H-08-21-400-003, 3700 Jackson Road, for a building addition with the following variances: 1) to allow a thirteen(13) foot side yard setback rather than the required twenty(20) foot setback pursuant to section 36-7b of the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance and 2) to allow a six(6) foot foundation planting width rather than the required eight(8) foot width pursuant to section 36-34c(7) of the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance.

B. Variance # 1531, Jackson Road Land, by Sign-A-Rama, regarding property code # H-08-22-470-015, 4789/4944 Jackson Road, to allow a second wall sign for a business within a business center, pursuant to section 36-37(2)(b) of the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance. Only one wall sign is permitted.

Persons or their duly appointed representative having interest in said applications shall there and then be heard at the above described meetings or adjournment thereof relative to any matters that should come before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Details concerning the aforementioned matters may be examined by interested persons and written comments will be received, at the Scio Township Offices at 827 N Zeeb Road during office hours, weekdays, between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to participate. Accommodations, including sign language interpreters, may be arranged by contacting the Scio Township's Clerk's Office at 734-663-2123 during the above hours, at least seven days in advance.

**Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk
Scio Township**

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Ordinance #24, is available for review at the Lima Township Office.)

Motion by Laler supported by McKenzie to adopt the Lima Township Board of Trustees Meeting Dates for the Year of 2010, those dates being the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Unterbrink proposed the name of Katherine Pristinger for a three year term to the Lima Township Planning Commission. Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to approve the appointment of Katherine Pristinger to the Chelsea District Library to December 31, 2012. Motion carried.

Unterbrink proposed the name of Edwin Greenleaf for a three year term to the Lima Township Planning Commission. Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to approve the appointment of Edwin Greenleaf to the Lima Township Planning Commission to December 31, 2012. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to table seeking a professional opinion on the structural condition of the Lima Township Hall to April 30, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion by Havens supported by Unterbrink to table wireless Internet. Motion carried.

Motion by Laler supported by Unterbrink to pay bills as presented plus any others as required. Motion carried.

Motion by Havens supported by Laler to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk

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Recycle center changes fees

Recycle Ann Arbor's Drop-Off Station will begin charging a \$3 per vehicle entry fee beginning Jan. 2. The entry fee is due to lack of funding support from Washtenaw County, the City of Ann Arbor and Pittsfield Township.

Two different discount options offer savings for customers who use the station's recycling and disposal services frequently. A 10-visit punch card is available for \$25; and a yearly pass good for unlimited visits is \$75. Customers who purchase a yearly pass will also receive 5 percent off trash disposal services. Customers who visit the station to purchase compost or mulch will not be charged an entry fee.

Recycle Ann Arbor CEO Melinda Uerling said the Drop-Off Station has historically generated operating income from the resale value of the collected recyclable materials, and municipal funding.

"With the dramatic decline of market values for recyclable materials, and the discontinuation of municipal funding sup-

port, it has become necessary to generate support from the Drop-Off Station's customers to ensure it may continue to serve the needs of the community," she said.

The Drop-Off Station is the state's largest community recycling drop-off center. It is located at 2950 East Ellsworth Road in Ann Arbor, just west of Platt Road, and operated by Recycle Ann Arbor with support from the City of Ann Arbor.

Many recyclable items are accepted for free, such as paper, metals, glass, batteries and some electronics. In addition, a variety of items are accepted for disposal at minimal cost. All accepted items and fees are listed on the Web site, www.recycleannarbor.org. Pick-up service is available for large bulky waste items, at an additional charge. Dump trailers are available to rent.

Recycle Ann Arbor is an affiliate of the Ecology Center in Ann Arbor.

For more information about Recycle Ann Arbor, call 1-734-662-6288.

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NOTICE OF LETTING OF DRAIN CONTRACT AND DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS FOR THE WING DRAIN SCIO TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY

The following notice gives information on acceptance of bids for construction work on the Wing Drain and assessment for the cost of the construction. The Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner will accept bids for construction work on the Wing Drain, as explained below until 2 P.M. on the 4th of January, 2010. Property owners and other affected parties may review the apportionment of the costs for this project at the Office of the Water Resources Commissioner on the 13th of January, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Please call the Water Resources Commissioner's Office at (734) 222-6860 for clarification of this notice or if you need additional information.

Information on Bid Letting

Sealed bids will be received on the 4th of January, 2010 until 2:00 P.M. at 705 North Zeeb Road, 2nd Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly announced. Following is a brief description of the project:

Project Description: The work shall consist of, but not be limited to, the following approximate quantities:

The Wing Drain project consists of the replacement of storm water piping, re-grading of open channel sections, and the creation of an additional branch to the drain. Approximately 3200 feet of storm water pipe will be removed and replaced with a combination of HDPE pipe, perforated HDPE pipe, CMP and RCP. In addition, 4500 feet of the open channel sections will be re-graded, including restoration of the banks. Numerous trees and crossings will be removed as a part of this process. Finally, a new branch to the drain will be added that consists of a closed pipe network and open channel connection to the existing main channel of the Wing Drain.

Bids will be made and received in accordance with plans, proposal forms and specifications available to prospective bidders at Fitzgerald Henne & Associates, Inc., 3125 Sovereign Drive, Suite D, Lansing, MI 48911 for a non-refundable reproduction charge of \$40.00. Plans may also be viewed at the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner's office, 705 North Zeeb Road, 2nd Floor, Ann Arbor, MI 48103, 734.222.6860.

The lowest responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work will be awarded the contract. The Water Resources Commissioner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and if no satisfactory sealed bids are received, she reserves the right to proceed immediately after the rejection of sealed bids and without further notice to let the contracts by open bidding, likewise reserving the right to reject any and all bids and to adjourn the letting to a time and place as shall be publicly announced.

In the event, the County receives two or more bids from responsive, responsible bidders, one or more of whom are Washtenaw County vendors and the bids are substantially equal in price, quality and service, the County shall award the contract to the most responsive, responsible Washtenaw County vendor. For purposes of this section, Washtenaw County vendor means a company which has maintained its principal office in Washtenaw County for at least six (6) months. Maintaining a Washtenaw County P.O. Box is not, in and of itself, sufficient to establish a company as a Washtenaw County vendor.

The County shall have sole discretion under this section to determine if a company qualifies as a Washtenaw County vendor and if two or more bids are substantially equal.

The date for the completion of the contract and the terms of payment shall and will be announced at the time and place of letting. Any person wishing to bid on the above work will be required to deposit with the Water Resources Commissioner a certified check or its equivalent to the amount of 5% of the bid total as guarantee that s/he will enter into contract and furnish the required bonds as required by law. The checks of all unsuccessful bidders will be returned after a contract is awarded. All bids must be made on bidding blanks supplied by the Water Resources Commissioner's Office. All bids shall be by unit prices specified or lump sum. Payment will be made in accordance with the contract documents.

Information on Review of Apportionments

Notice is hereby given to you, as a person liable for an assessment, that a the apportionment of costs for the above work and the lands comprising the Wing Assessment District will be available for review on the 13th of January, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, 705 North Zeeb Road, 2nd Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan. The computation of the costs for the project will be open for inspection by interested persons.

The following is a description of the lands constituting the Wing Drain Special Assessment District:

Notice is also given to: Supervisor of the Township of Scio, Clerk of the County of Washtenaw, Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners

That you may also be assessed for a portion of the costs of this project.

Any property owner in the assessment district who may disagree with the apportionment of costs made by the Water Resources Commissioner may, within 10 days after the day of review, appeal the apportionment by filing with the Probate Court of Washtenaw County an application for a Board of Review, as provided in Section 136 of the Michigan Drain Code (Act 40 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended).

Prior to filing an appeal, a property owner should either appear in person on the Day of Review or file a letter of objection on or prior to the Day of Review with the Office of the Water Resources Commissioner in an attempt to resolve the conflict. We would be happy to discuss your apportionment with you before legal alternatives are sought.

The County of Washtenaw will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with the needs who plan to attend the meeting upon 7 days' notice to the County of Washtenaw Human Resources Department, 230 North Main Street, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107-8645 (734) 222-6823 or TDD (734) 994-1733.

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to 734.222.6860.

Dated this 18th of December, 2009.

**Janis A. Bobrin
Water Resources
Commissioner**

This document has been reviewed and approved for signature:

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Records, said mortgage was assigned to U.S.
Bank N.A., in its capacity as Trustee for the
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Corporation Home-Equity Loan Trust 2004-HEB,
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2004-HEB, which mortgage has been submitted
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Circuit Court in said Washtenaw County, where
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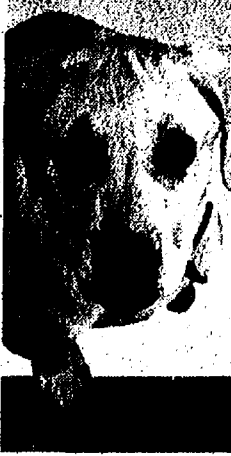
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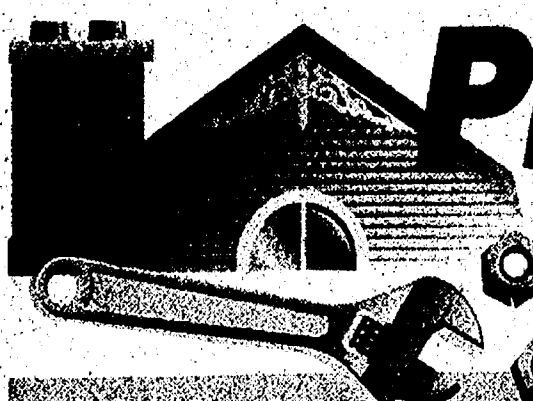
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Bob Vila endorses and recommends the famous EdenPURE® portable heater

Millions of Americans now saving on their heating bills and raving about the "heavenly heat"

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

By John Whitehead, Media Services

The famous infrared portable heater, the EdenPURE®, has been greatly improved.

You have probably heard about the remarkable EdenPURE® from Bob Vila, America's Favorite Home Improvement Expert, who endorses and recommends the EdenPURE® and on television features across the nation.

The new EdenPURE® GEN3 heater heats better, faster, saves more on heating bills and runs almost silent.

The EdenPURE® saves you big money on your heating bill, but, you will be toasty warm. The heat it produces is unlike any past heating sources. It produces what customers call "heavenly heat".

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

A major cause of residential fires in the United States is portable heaters. But the EdenPURE® cannot cause a fire. That is because the advanced 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.

The EdenPURE® will also keep you healthy. That is because, unlike other heating sources, it will not reduce humidity or oxygen in the room.

The advanced space-age EdenPURE® Infrared Portable Heater also heats the room evenly, wall-to-wall and floor-to-ceiling. And, as you know, most other portable heaters only heat an area a few feet around the heater.

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

For more details on the amazing EdenPURE® GEN3 Quartz Infrared Portable Heater, here is my interview with Bob Vila, America's Favorite TV Home Improvement Expert.

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

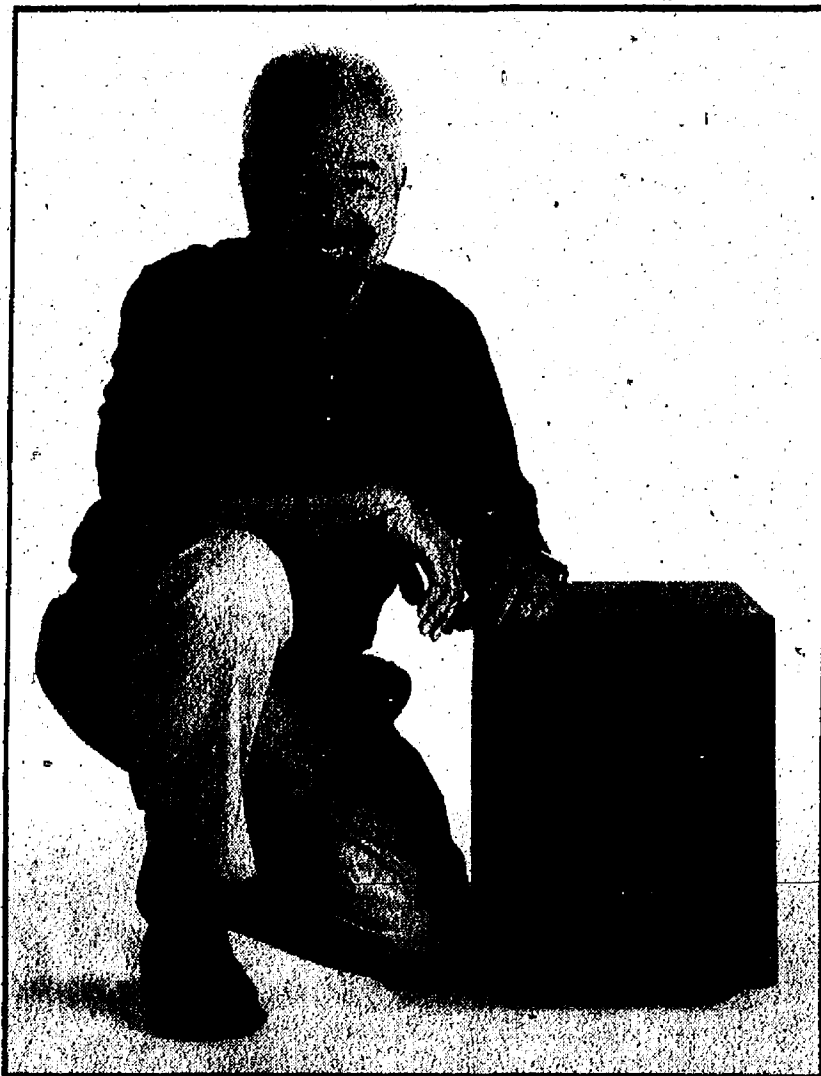
A. This advanced heating technology was discovered accidentally by a man named John Jones. Jones found that a stack of a certain type of copper stored by his coal furnace kept his whole house warm long after the coal fire went out.

Through a great deal of research and development he came up with safe quartz infrared lamps to heat treated copper. This and other technology produced the EdenPURE® infrared portable heater.

This infrared heating process was designed around the three most important consumer benefits: economy, comfort, and safety.

Q. Why is it that this quartz infrared heating source uses less energy

Never be cold again



Firemen and safety professionals choose EdenPURE®. We all read about space heaters and the danger of fire. The EdenPURE® has no exposed heating elements that can cause a fire. And your pet may be just like my dog that has reserved a favorite spot near the EdenPURE®. — Bob Vila

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 cured copper 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. Customers call it "heavenly heat".

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.

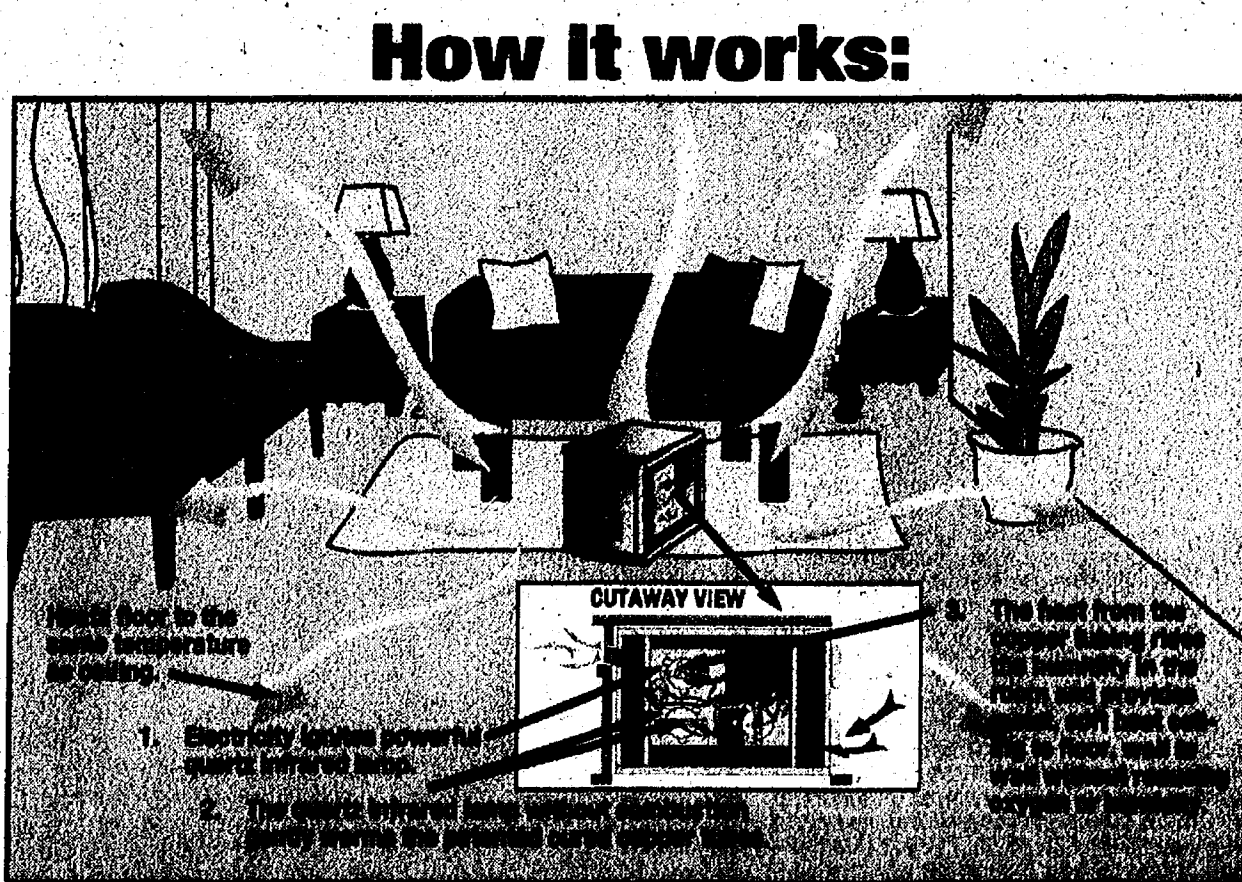
Also, many combustible heat sources produce carbon monoxide, static cling, and some produce radiation.

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 cut their heating bill with the EdenPURE®?

A. 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,



How It works:

Testimonials from a few of the millions of satisfied EdenPURE® customers

The EdenPURE® has cut my gas bill to a third of what it was last year. *Leslie Wilson, Vancouver, WA*

I recently had an addition that was over 800 square feet added to my home. When it was completed we had to consider a heat source. We investigated everything from upgrading our current furnace, and duct work, to a vent less fireplace. Then I heard about the EdenPURE®. I must admit I was a bit skeptical, however I decided to place one in the room and give it a test. I can't tell you how pleasantly surprised I was. The EdenPURE® heater is our exclusive heat source and is comfortably heating our room at a cost of under \$15.00 per month. It is certainly refreshing to find a product that surpasses its performance claims. *D. Cappe, Vancouver, WA*

With our EdenPURE® heater our gas bill dropped so much that the gas company called us and said our gas meter must be broken and they wanted to replace it. *John and Sandy Hopkins, Elyria, OH*

The EdenPURE® #1000 has saved 40% on our heating bill! My 18 month old daughter sits on it, that's how safe it is. The heater is also very mobile. *Steve G., Binghamton, N.Y.*

The EdenPURE® really puts out the heat like a little solar furnace. It's below freezing outside and cozy warm in the rather over large living room area where I'm using it. I have already noticed a 40% drop in the cost of my heating bills. *George B., Triangle, N.Y.*

I turned my thermostat down to 60. I have 2 dogs and 3 cats and all 5 laid down in front of it and were fast asleep. My chair is 1 foot away and it is like being in front of a fireplace. *Carl Cormier, Jerome, ID*

Average homeowner saves 10% to 25% monthly. This is an advertisement for the EdenPURE® Heater. All of the testimonials are by actual EdenPURE® customers who volunteered their stories, and were given another EdenPURE® heater as thanks for their

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, in some instances, the savings can be substantial. The infrared quartz-cured copper heating technology also produces heat for less cost than conventional services.

The EdenPURE® heater is now greatly improved. With no increase in price, the

new EdenPURE® has been updated with the latest technology, safety, and comfort features to provide you with even greater comfort, more savings, and years of reliability. The EdenPURE® comes with a comprehensive three year warranty along with a 60-day no questions asked satisfaction guarantee — we pay the return shipping.

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End of interview.

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.

The EdenPURE® will pay for itself in weeks. It will keep a great deal of extra money in a users 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.

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(Left to right) Ruth Shantz, chief integrity officer for St. Joseph Mercy Health System, Miha Strauss Moore, Nelson Shantz, Scott Moore, Karen Fahle, Julie Hermann, gala committee member, Rich Fahle and David Hermann.

"Let It Snow"

Chelsea Community Hospital hosted its 2009 annual Holiday Gala on Dec. 12 at the Chelsea Comfort Inn and Village Conference Center. Community members from Chelsea, Dexter, Saline and Ann Arbor enjoyed a magical evening amongst the falling snowflakes and beautiful decorations. Over \$42,000 was raised in net proceeds, which will help the hospital realize its dream of providing additional cancer treatment services to their patients.



Kathleen Griffiths, president and CEO of Chelsea Community Hospital greets the guests.



Bill Page of Chelsea Orthopedic Specialists and his wife Carla Page of Chelsea Medicine and Laser.



Alison Pollard, vice president of Provider Affiliation at Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan, with husband, Joe Tinsley, and former Chelsea residents, Pat and Jeff Rohrer.



Dr. Jona Gill of Chelsea Dermatology and husband Randy Hermann enjoy a dance.



Chris Rode and Paula Rode of Chelsea Animal Hospital.



Some of the Gala Committee members take a quick photo together at the end of a very successful event.



Supporters Howdy Holmes, president and CEO of Chelsea Milling Company and his wife Carole, gala committee member.



Chelsea Mayor Jason Lindauer and wife Amy.

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December 31, 2009

Performance Network to host 'K2'

Performance Network will host a production of "K2" by Patrick Meyers beginning Jan. 7 and running through Feb. 7.

"K2" stars John Manfredi and James Bowen and is directed by Tim Rhoze. "K2" follows two men who are stranded on an icy ledge on K2, the world's second highest and most savage mountain. The situation is desperate. The supplies are gone, a storm is approaching and one climber has a broken leg. Will they survive?

Artistic Director David Wolber said, "The strength of the story is the relationship of

the two men. They're friends, and at this moment, on this mountain, they're facing a life-and-death situation.

Part of the beauty and power of the script is in the kinds of conversations that happen in these moments. The mountain plays an important role, not only in the setting, but also as the symbolic challenge that they're fighting.

"We're teaming up with Bivouac and Planet Rock to get our actors climbing lessons with the real gear. There is also the challenge for our designers of creating an avalanche onstage. I think that audiences

are going to be blown away. This will be an intense and powerful show," Wolber said.

Weekly performances are 8 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays, with 3 p.m. matinees Jan. 23 and Feb. 6.

Tickets can be ordered at the Performance Network Box Office at 663-0681 or online at www.performancenetwork.org. Tickets may also be purchased from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday or one hour before a performance at Performance Network Theatre, 120 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor.



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EMU to host guest artist dance concert

Eastern Michigan University's Department of Music and Dance will host the 58th annual EMU Faculty & Guest Artist Dance Concert, called "Contraposition," in January.

The 2010 concert will feature EMU's dance majors and minors in works by four EMU dance faculty, as well as four guest artists.

The name of the concert, "Contraposition," means "a position opposite" or "the antithesis." Both these definitions describe the original pieces offered at this concert. The styles will range from lyrical ballet and lyrical modern to classical ballet en pointe; from contemporary modern and athletic, contemporary jazz to Graham-infused modern to musical theater.

The subject matters or narratives of the pieces also cover a wide variety of topics, from the effects of stress to the body/mind connectivity of com-

passion and how the process manifests itself through nerve conduction.

Audience members will see the classic variation from Cinderella danced by fairies and will get a look at a woman taking control of her life and standing up to domestic abuse. The performance will also include a piece done by ghosts in a graveyard — "In the Garden of the Ghosts" — which was inspired by an anonymous poem transcribed on a headstone.

Adding to the variety of the performance, this concert's guest artists come from truly diverse backgrounds. Amy Cova's piece — "the poet's croon" — uses original music and explores the loss of love.

Matt Farmer presents a piece that weaves spirits and ghosts into a poem found on a grave-stone.

Christopher Higgins rounds out the guest artist roster with "Dream Play," a poignant piece that charts how we all "grow

up" and the experiences come with maturing. EMU's dancers took Higgins' piece to the Oakland Dance Festival in November and received rave reviews, heralded as one of the highlights of that concert.

Faculty members Sherry Jerome, Holly Hobbs, Shauna Steele and Phil Simmons present four greatly contrasting pieces.

Jerome will feature her classical ballet choreography in a variation danced by the Four Seasons (fairies) from her December 2009 sold-out production of Prokofiev's Cinderella.

Simmons presents a piece from the winner of ten Tony Awards — Broadway musical Billy Elliot — that relates a woman's journey to fight back and take charge of her own life.

"Survival of the Kindest," created by Hobbs, examines the impetus and evolution of compassion.

Steele offers "Carry With Me All Things" to show the process

and effects of stress.

EMU senior dance major Ida Lowback said she loves the variety and the challenges of dancing pieces that are so stylistically different.

"You definitely have to be on your toes — well, you know what I mean — on your game, in other words," she said. "This is a welcome challenge, and there's something for everyone in our 2010 concert."

The Dance Forum, the non-profit student organization that supports the EMU dance program, will be present to raise funds to send EMU students to the American College Dance Festival.

"Contraposition" will be performed in the Quirk Theatre on EMU's campus inside the Quirk Building at 8 p.m. Jan. 15 and 16 and at 2 p.m. Jan. 17.

Tickets to "Contraposition" are \$10 for general admission or \$8 with student ID. For reservations call 487-2282 or visit www.emich.edu/convocation.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Father Christmas Exhibit
Through Jan. 9, handcrafted figures by Chelsea artist John W. Mitchell Sr. River Gallery, 120 S. Main St., Chelsea. Call 433-0826.

"Jeff Daniels: Onstage & Unplugged"

3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. A benefit for the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. Tickets \$70-\$85 in advance and at the door. 433-7673.

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Bird Hike
8 a.m. Saturday: Hudson Mills Metropark Interpretive Nature Programs with naturalist Jennifer Hollenbeck. Bring binoculars and a field guide. Hudson Mills Activity Center 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. \$3. Pre-registration required. \$4 vehicle entrance fee. 426-8211.

Draw Doubles Disc Golf
Noon Saturday, play disc golf at Hudson Mills Metropark's 24-hole courses. Beginners paired with advanced players. Prizes. Golf discs available free. Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. \$5 per player. \$4 vehicle fee. 449-4300.

Winter Bark and Buds Hike
2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission naturalist Faye Stoner leads hike to identify trees and shrubs without the help of leaves. Burns-Stokes Preserve, Zeeb Road at the Huron River, south of Huron River Drive. Free. 971-6337, ext. 334.

Visitors Night: Ann Arbor Model Railroad Club
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3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, musicians invited for open jam. Bring The Ruffwater Fakebook if you have it. Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Free. 994-9307.

First Saturday Contra
8 p.m. Saturday, international dances to music by Twa Brillig and the Mazel Toves. Silent auction. Bring items to donate, if you wish. It's a potluck, so bring a dish to pass. All dances taught; no partner needed. Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. \$9 (members, \$8; students, \$5). 769-1052.

Coffee Tasting
5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Zingerman's Coffee partners Allen Leibowitz and Steve Mangin offer samples and discuss new coffees, old favorites and experimental blends. Zingerman's Coffee Co., 3723 Plaza Driv. Free. 929-0500.

Saline Weight Loss Challenge
New 12-week course starts Jan. 7. For information, call 429-0051.

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New Year's Eve Gourmet Dinner Trek
5 p.m. to midnight Thursday, local adventure tour guide Heather O'Neal leads a 15-mile hike along the Huron River to Depot Town in Ypsilanti, with stops at picnic tables for appetizers, dinner and dessert. Bring an appetizer, main dish, or dessert, and hot or cold beverage. Table service provided. Arrange your own return home. Meet at 120 Eighth St. Free. Reservations required. 369-3107.

24-Hour Puppet Show
Noon Thursday through noon Friday, the Dreamland puppet troupe puppet in the New Year with 24 hours of marionette, rod, and shadow puppet shows. Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington St., Ypsilanti. Donation. 657-2337.

"Energy: Charles McGee at

Eighty-Five"

4 p.m. Wednesday, curator Julia Myers discusses exhibit. EMU University Gallery, 900 Oakwood, Ypsilanti. Free. 487-1268.

Appraisals, Opinions and Wild Guesses
7:15 p.m. Wednesday, antiques dealer and auctioneer Steve Gross discusses and offers verbal appraisals of antiques and collectibles. Participants invited to bring two or three items. Recreation Park Community Center, 1015 N. Congress, Ypsilanti. \$5 (couples, \$6) at the door. 483-5915.

Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Reads
The Ann Arbor District Library will present several topical programs in conjunction with the 2010 Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Reads. This year's read focuses on the subject of Michigan, as well as Jerry Dennis' award-winning book "The Living Great Lakes: Searching For The Heart of The Inland Seas."

Programs include:
Concert: The Paul Keller Trio — The Michigan Jazz Suite
2 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday — Downtown Library Multi-Purpose Room. Paul Keller on bass, Steve Rickko on piano and Sean Dobbins on drums will perform Keller's Michigan Jazz Suite, a compilation of 15 jazz tone poems inspired by famous Michigan destinations, people, events and icons, and filled with vivid imagery.

"Native Americans of Michigan: The Three Fires Confederacy"

7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday — Ann Arbor Downtown Library Multi-Purpose Room. The U.S. census of 1900 counted 6,354 Indians in Michigan. What did that census statistic mean? What is the current census count and what does it mean? A strong sense of social and environmental identity, and the ability to resist and accommodate change, has influenced Michigan Native American over the last two centuries. Join the library for this look into Michigan Native American culture and history by Margaret Noori, director of the Comprehensive Studies Program who teaches the Anishinaabe Language and American Indian Literature at the University of Michigan.

Great Lakes Shipwrecks
7 to 8:30 p.m. Jan. 11 — Ann Arbor Downtown Library Multi-Purpose Room. The very first ship on the upper Great Lakes, LaSalle's Griffin, sailed only a single voyage before disappearing beneath the waves. Since then, thousands of other vessels, along with their crews, have met the same fate. What remains of their ships and cargos beneath the Great Lakes? What are the stories of those adventurers who brave the waters of the deep to search for these sunken monuments? Join the library for a fascinating tour of the mysteries of the Lakes with Detroit Historical Society curator Joel Stone.

Auto Expert & Automotive Magazine Publisher David E. Davis Jr.

2 to 3 p.m. Jan. 16 — Downtown Library Multi-Purpose Room. What does the future hold for the auto industry in Michigan? What trends can be spotted from this year's Auto Show? David E. Davis Jr. will discuss his historic automobile life in Michigan and why he and his wife chose to return and live in the state. Davis is an automobile journalist and magazine publisher. His career in the automotive industry spanned from race car driver, factory worker and car salesman to ad salesman with Road & Track and copywriter for Corvette advertisements before becoming a writer for Car and Driver magazine in 1962. He wrote for that publication until 1967 and later became its editor and publisher from 1976 to 1985 before leaving to found Automobile magazine.

"Michigan: If You Seek an Interesting History, Look Around You"

2 to 3 p.m. Jan. 24 — Malletts Creek Branch, Ann Arbor District Library. Discussion by Martin Herschok, assistant professor and department chairman of history at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, who will offer a broad overview of Michigan history from its earliest native inhabitants up through the present day. Themes include migration, mobility and diversity; importance of geography in Michigan's past; Michigan's extractive industries; rise of the auto industry; environmental history; legal landscape; and urbanization and post-industrialism.

Night Life



Live music

The Ark
316 S. Main, Ann Arbor
Telephone: 761-1451
Web site: <http://theark.org>
Thursday: New Year's Eve concert featuring The Chenille Sisters, 10 p.m., \$35 (local/regional)
Wednesday: Open Stage, 8 p.m., \$3
Jan. 8: Ark 45th Anniversary Kickoff: Mountain Heart, fundraiser for The Ark, \$25, bluegrass/newgrass. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m.

The Blind Pig
208 S. First St.
Telephone: 996-8555
Web site: www.blindpig-music.com
Thursday: New Year's Eve, The Bang! \$8/under 21, \$11, 18 and older, 9:30 p.m.
Jan. 7: Four Finger Five with Ultraviolet
Hippopotamus, \$5/under 21, \$8, 18 and older, 9:30 p.m.
Jan. 8: Ann Arbor Soul Club with Robert Wells and Brad Hales, \$5/under 21, \$8, 18 and over, 9:30 p.m.
Jan. 9: Deals Gone Bad with HulaBalo, Downtown Brown, and Gunday Monday, \$8 cover, 18 and older, 9 p.m.

Cavern Club
Four clubs in one at 210 South First St.
Telephone: 332-9900
Web site: www.cavern-club.com
Every Wednesday and Thursday: Live bluegrass. No cover. New band each week.
Thursday: 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., New Year's Eve party featuring the Killer Flamigos, \$30-\$55 per person. Also, Sloos Karaoke — two DJs and an all-night dinner buffet, party hats and horns, champagne at midnight.

Conor O'Neil's
318 S. Main St.
Telephone: 665-2968
Web site: www.conoroneills.com
Thursday: New Year's Eve party, \$60 per person, four-course meal with choice of filet mignon and lobster tail, salmon, rack of lamb, or a vegetarian option. Also included are two champagne toasts, one at 7 p.m. for the Irish new year and one at midnight. A DJ starts at 10 p.m., with a breakfast buffet at 1 a.m. Call for reservations.
Friday: DJ Big Daddie, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Saturday: Jeremy and Joshua Sprague, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday: Sloos Karaoke at 10 p.m.
Traditional Irish Session at 7:30 p.m.
Monday: Pub Trivia, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Restaurant Appreciation Night.
Wednesday: Music Trivia with Barry Aherne, 9 p.m.
Jan. 7: George Martha Band, 9:30 p.m.
Jan. 8: DJ Big Daddie, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Jan. 9: Michael May and The Messaround, 9:30 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 Grace
301 W. Huron St.
Telephone: 752-5740
Web site: www.goodnite-grace.com
The Habitat
Ultraviolet
The lounge at Weber's Inn features dance bands 3050 Jackson Road

Telephone: 665-3636
Web site: www.webersinn.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: New Year's Eve special package with deluxe accommodations for the night, spectacular dinner buffet, evening-long entertainment, and dancing in two ballrooms. DJ Charles Sutton will lead music in the Atrium Ballroom, and the band Ultraviolet will play in the Grand Ballroom. Dinner and party \$219 per couple; complete overnight package starts at \$339 per couple. Call 769-2500.
Friday and Saturday: Remedy
Tuesday through Jan. 9: Joy Ride

The Heidelberg's Club Above
215 N. Main St.
Telephone: 663-7756
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
Thursday: Guy Hollerlin's and 89.1 WEMU presents a Local Blues & Local Brews Production — the second annual New Year's Eve Blues Bash featuring The Bluescasters, Al Hill and The Love Butlers, and George Bedard. \$49 per person, includes party favors, champagne toast, two drink tickets and appetizers.
Saturday: Closed for the holiday.
Jan. 9: Chef Chris and the Rump Shakers.

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.oldtownaa.com
Sunday night music features live music from 8 to 10 p.m., focusing on local talent.
Friday: Chris Buhails doors open at 5 p.m., music starts at 6 p.m. Songs of Townes Van Zandt and Hank Williams Sr.
Sunday: Alan Cayn
Jan. 10: Graham Parsons

Rick's American Café
611 Church St.
Telephone: 996-2747
Web site: <http://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: New Year's Eve special events with Willie Barcana — laugh in the New Year with this hilarious Latino Comedy Central star from L.A. 8 p.m., \$25; and 10:30 p.m., \$30 (includes party favors and champagne split at midnight).
Jan. 7 to 9: Spike Tobin.

Black Pearl Seafood and Martini Bar
302 S. Main St., Ann Arbor
Telephone: 222-0400
Web site: www.blackpearl-onmain.com
Features live music on Wednesdays 7 to 10 p.m.

Spreading Christmas cheer through song



(Back row, left to right) Troop leader Cristie Roush, Laura Mosler, Madeline Dunlap, Natalie Bareis, Rachel Bareis, Haley Roush, Lauren Olberg. (Front row) Christina Adams, Katie Moore, Bella Roberts and Ella Cowhy.

Photos courtesy Cristie Roush

The young ladies of Daisy Girl Scout Troop 1097 recently attended a Caroling Party at Silver Maples Retirement Home in Chelsea. The girls sang several songs and carried their tunes through the halls of the assisted living facility. Afterwards, the troop made some art projects with some residents. The Scouts ended the night exchanging homemade Christmas gifts.



Bella Roberts at gift exchange.



Lauren Olberg and Ella Cowhy make ornaments with a local resident.



Christina Adams, Haley Roush, Rachel Bareis and Madeline Dunlap sing a song.



Madeline Dunlap helps a resident during arts and crafts.

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QUALITY 16	SHOWCASE
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 MON/TUE/WED 7:00
 THE ROAD (R)
 FRU/SAT 4:30, 7:15 & 9:30 SUN 3:30, 6:15 & 8:30
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December 31, 2009

Core Computers opens its doors

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

If your computer is sluggish or you're looking for a customized computer, Ann Arbor resident Sheng Han recently opened Core Components PC Sale and Service on Washtenaw Avenue.

The Huron High School graduate will repair, upgrade or optimize a computer; build a custom personal computer or sell customers components and accessories.

Han says he's been interested in computers since grade school. After more than 10 years working with them, he opened a business in October.

He'll work on laptops and desktops, personal computers and Macs.

For the last decade, Han says he had been offering support and repair to family, friends and private customers.

In addition, he worked at Borders in the computer support area, and then performed a similar job at the University of Michigan.

"All the while, I was still working with private clients," he says.

In 2003, he and a partner started a gaming and video computer business. But in 2005, Han split off from his partner and branched out on his own.

Now, instead of Han going to the computers, the computers come to him.

With his retail store, he can now work on a half dozen at a time and doesn't have to spend time traveling and working on computers in homes or businesses.

Fast Facts

Core Components, PC sales and service
3354 Washtenaw Ave.
E-mail: www.corecomponentspc.com
Telephone: 929-5687
Hours: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Monday through Friday, and
11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday

"There's a lack of computer parts and support in the areas," he says of why he opened the business.

Two popular services he is offering are PC tune-ups and virus removal services.

The tune-up includes hardware cleaning, Windows tweaks, system diagnostics, as well as upgrade options, and it costs \$99.

Han is a big fan of an anti-virus program called Eset Nod 32, and his virus removal service includes one year of Eset, custom configuration and backup configuration.

Many times, he diagnoses a computer and finds that viruses are bogging down the computer's speed, so he'll debug the computer and fixes the problem.

He'll custom build computers and fix what ails others.

"I keep my product line current," he says.

Because of his past relationship with manufacturers through the game and video business, he's able to offer good pricing for parts.

"I don't charge to diagnosis a problem," he says.

Customers bring their computers into the 1,790-square-foot retail space, and he'll let

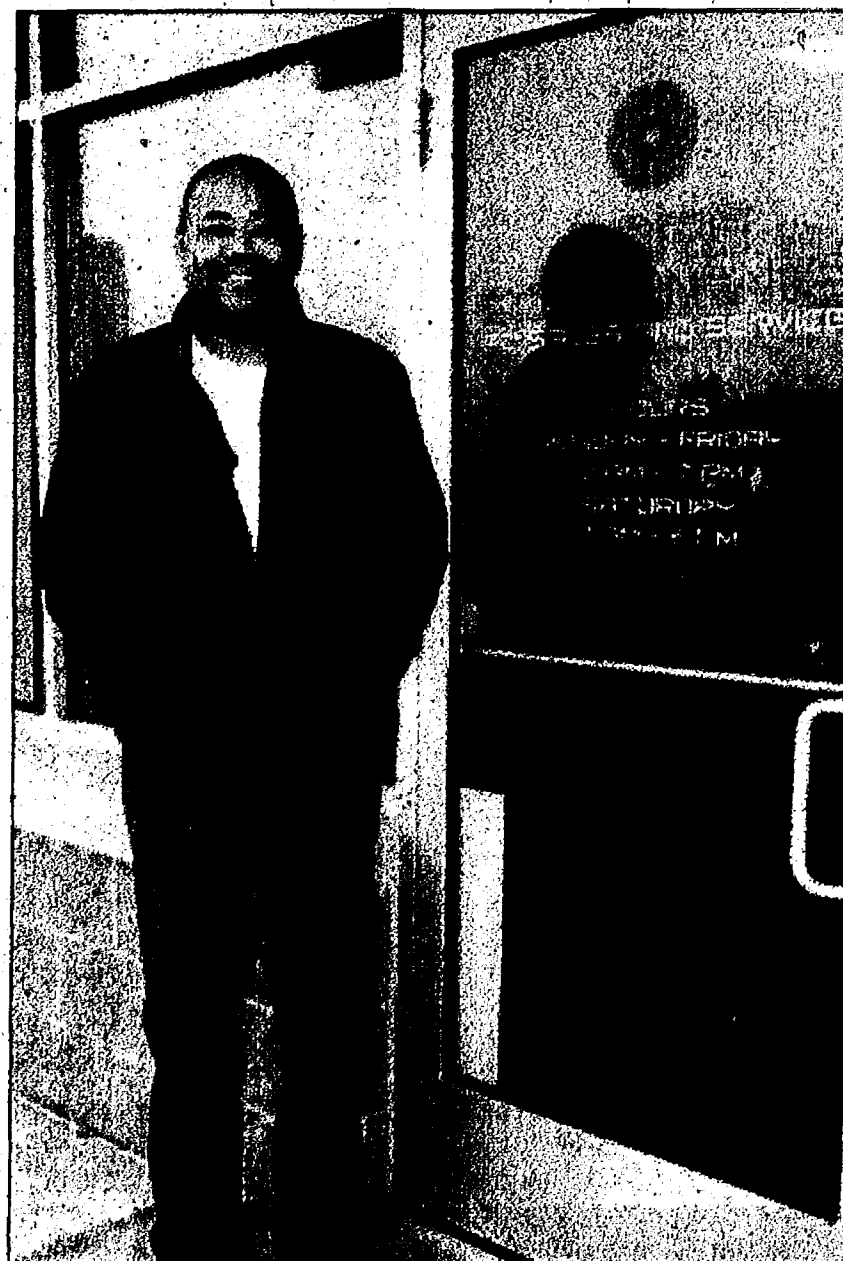


Photo by Lisa Allmendinger

Sheng Han stands outside his new business, Core Components, at 3354 Washtenaw Ave., in Ann Arbor.

customers know what upgrade options are available.

He has set up several computers in the retail area, which he has built so people can try a functional product.

"I only use retail components," he says, and those have warranties, which range from three- to five-year and lifetime guarantees, depending on what it is.

"I don't charge extra for the warranty because it's already there," Han says.

"I want people to experience what they want before they get it."

The Ann Arbor resident says he's always liked taking things apart.

And his new business proves he can also put them back together — and they work better than when they came through the door.

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

It's important to have separate disability coverage

If you've never taken notice of disability coverage before, it's time to start.

Disability insurance protects your ability to earn an income. It provides money to pay your rent, mortgage and basic living expenses if you are injured or sick for an extended period.

It is called disability insurance or disability income protection, but think of it as income replacement when you are sick or hurt and cannot work. At any age, you are about six times more likely to become disabled for some period of time than to die.

Think your employer's coverage is enough? Think again. You may have whatever sick leave you have coming, and then if an employer offers short-term disability coverage, it generally doesn't last more than 12 weeks. There are employers that offer long-term disability coverage, but if you've never checked the terms of that coverage, you should.

It never hurts to consult a financial adviser with expertise in this subject.

Basic components of long-term disability coverage include:

pre-existing conditions and whether or not you smoke.

Premium cost

The premium will depend on a wide array of factors and can vary dramatically from person to person. Such things as your age and your gender — women pay more for disability insurance because they tend to live longer and may work longer — will be considered.

Non-cancellation provisions

Make sure that once you're approved, the insurer can't cut your coverage unless it decides to stop writing coverage for everyone in your job class. It should also state that the insurer can't raise your rates.

Guaranteed renewable

Like the category above, this means your insurance can't be canceled. The insurer can, however, raise the rates for everyone in the category.

Own occupation vs. any occupation

If you have "own occupation" coverage, it is intended to go into effect if you can't perform the functions of your current job. "Any occupation" coverage pays only if you can't work at any job where you've been reasonably trained to do the tasks. For example, if you're working a desk job, you could easily be transferred to a receptionist's job or some other function within the company that you can now do or is your former position. That could significantly interfere with your recovery time, so consider the benefits and specify "own occupation" coverage.

If you're thinking about self-employment

You'll likely need disability coverage. But the time to buy is while you're still in your current job. Why? You won't be able to prove your income once self-employed, so consider obtaining your desired coverage before you leave.

This article is provided by Yeo & Yeo, certified public accountants and business consultants. For more information, contact Alan V. Lapczynski at 769-1331.

Monthly benefits

Depending on your income, long-term disability insurance is generally structured to pay 50 to 70 percent of your income up to age 67 or your normal retirement age. Research if the policy you're buying offers you the chance to buy more insurance as your income increases in future years.

Benefit term

For each disabling incident, your policy may pay benefits for a certain period — two or five years, or until retirement. It's all about how your policy is constructed. Some policies even pay for life if you purchase this benefit and you are disabled prior to age 60.

Buying younger is generally cheaper

Like health and life insurance, the younger you buy, the less you'll pay. Occupation enters into the picture because high-risk jobs, where disability is a greater work-related factor, tend to draw more claims. Like health insurance, the company will consider your medical history and your lifestyle, including your weight,

Lia sophia honors sales advisers

Fashion jewelry direct sales firm Lia sophia recently announced top honors for its Excellent Beginnings Program Achievers for their outstanding sales accomplishments and professionalism.

Having just joined the fashion jewelry business, Stacey Fernandez of Ann Arbor and

Nadia Lancaster of Sallie have earned the honor in their first 15 weeks by attaining certain sales levels and by sharing Lia sophia with other new advisers.

Bonni Davis, vice president of Lia sophia, said: "This immediate success is a result of their hard work and

dedication. Lia sophia is fortunate to have them as part of our team and we look forward to celebrating their future successes."

All new Lia sophia advisers have the opportunity to increase their earnings and earn free jewelry as part of the Excellent Beginnings

Program.

The plan celebrates the success of advisers who stay on track in the first four months in business.

Lia sophia provides ongoing opportunities for recognition, including monthly, quarterly and annual awards.

AccuWeather.com SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
33° to 39°	18° to 24°	20° to 26° 9° to 15°	20° to 26° 7° to 13°	18° to 24° 10° to 16°	22° to 28° 13° to 19°	25° to 31° 9° to 15°	20° to 26° 7° to 13°

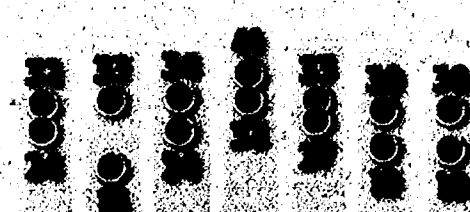
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Statistics for the week ending Monday, Dec. 28

Temperatures:	
High/low for the week	41°/13°
Normal high/low	52°/20°
Average temperature	27.9°
Normal average temperature	25.9°
Precipitation:	
Total for the week	0.74"
Total for the month	1.98"
Total for the year	30.57"
Normal for the month	2.60"
Normal for the year	35.11"

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures High Low

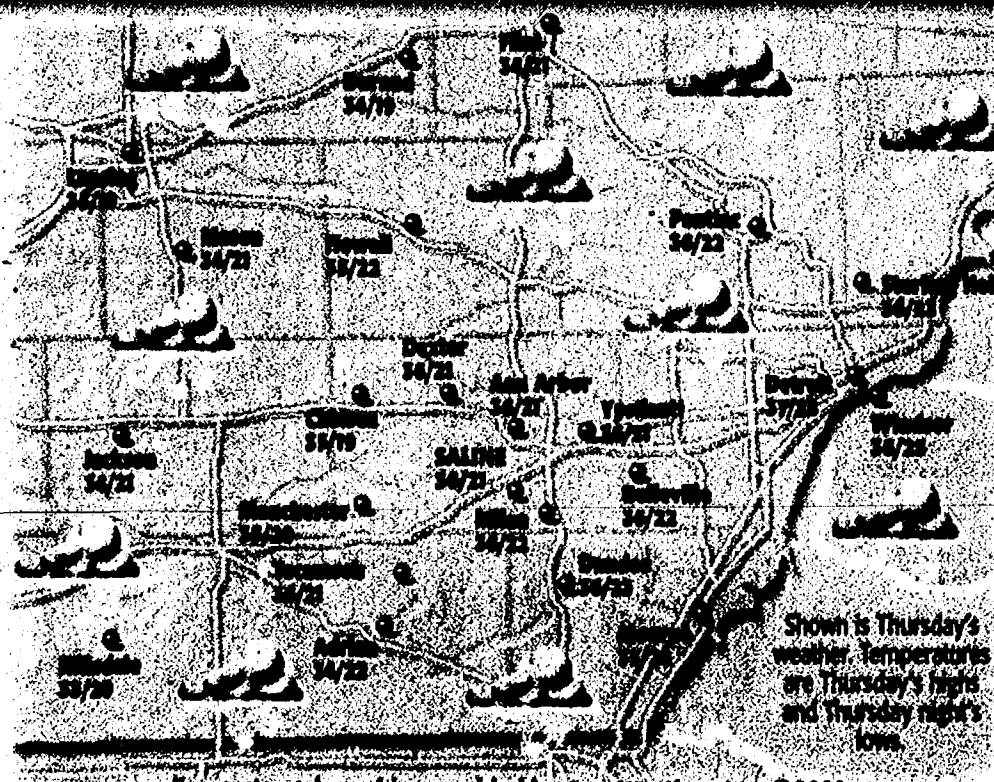


THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

Weekly UV Index and RealFeel Temperature*



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.



SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Thursday	8:04 a.m.	5:13 p.m.
Friday	8:04 a.m.	5:14 p.m.
Saturday	8:04 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Sunday	8:04 a.m.	5:16 p.m.
Monday	8:04 a.m.	5:16 p.m.
Tuesday	8:04 a.m.	5:17 p.m.
Wednesday	8:04 a.m.	5:18 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	3:13 p.m.	8:00 a.m.
Friday	6:33 p.m.	8:48 a.m.
Saturday	7:54 p.m.	9:27 a.m.
Sunday	9:12 p.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	10:28 p.m.	10:28 a.m.
Tuesday	11:41 p.m.	10:54 a.m.
Wednesday	none	11:59 a.m.

RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday	Flood stage	Current stage
Scorse Creek		2.38 ft
Dearborn Heights		
Huron River		
Ann Arbor	16 ft	13.04 ft
Walled Lake Creek		
Ann Arbor		5.24 ft
Mill Creek		
Chlor	12 ft	7.27 ft
River Raisin		
Manchester		5.60 ft

LAKE LEVELS	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	540.11 ft	569.37 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	573.72 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Ann Arbor	36/21/sf	23/12/sf	23/10/sf
Dearborn	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Eastland	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Bay City	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Dearborn	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Flint	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Grand Rapids	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Kalamazoo	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Livonia	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf
Warren	32/21/sf	23/10/sf	23/10/sf

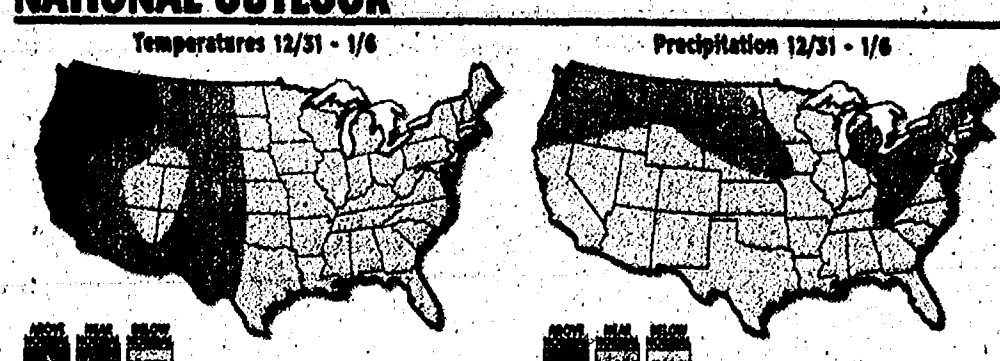
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City	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Atlanta	68/54/pc	68/52/pc	68/54/pc
Berlin	32/28/sf	34/27/sf	32/23/sf
Buenos Aires	71/61/s	81/60/s	80/60/s
Cairo	68/51/s	73/56/s	73/54/pc
Calgary	44/10/sf	23/14/sf	17/10/sf
Hong Kong	63/61/r	71/63/c	68/61/r
Kuala Lumpur	86/63/s	81/61/s	86/60/s
Johannesburg	84/61/s	83/60/pc	79/60/pc
Los Angeles	41/52/pc	37/28/sf	34/30/pc
Mexico City	73/41/pc	66/38/c	69/41/r

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Atlanta	68/54/pc	68/52/pc	68/54/pc
Boston	38/32/c	38/30/sf	36/22/sf
Chicago	31/15/sf	19/10/sf	18/11/sf
Cincinnati	39/24/sf	27/15/sf	22/13/sf
Cleveland	37/21/sf	27/16/sf	22/13/sf
Dallas	50/29/c	49/36/s	52/33/s
Denver	37/17/pc	46/12/pc	44/12/pc
Honolulu	81/67/pc	79/67/s	80/68/s
Houston	85/67/pc	88/58/s	82/64/pc
Kansas City	27/10/c	20/10/pc	19/6/c
Las Vegas	58/37/pc	61/37/pc	62/37/pc
Los Angeles	68/50/pc	70/50/pc	70/48/s

NATIONAL OUTLOOK



BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/11	Saline (High School Gym)	Home	5:30P
12/15	Stockbridge (High School Gym)	Away	7:30P
		Depart 4:45P	
12/29	CHS V Holiday Classic - Milan V	Home	1:00P
	Pineckney (High School Gym)		
12/29	CHS V Holiday Classic - Chelsea V	Home	5:00P
	Northville (High School Gym)		
12/30	CHS V Holiday Classic - Milan V	Home	1:00P
	Northville (High School Gym)		
12/29	CHS V Holiday Classic - Chelsea V	Home	5:00P
	Pineckney (High School Gym)		
01/05	South Lyon	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:00P	
01/08	Tecumseh (High School Gym)	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:30P	
01/12	Ann Arbor Huron	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:30P	
01/15	Adrian	Home	7:00P
01/22	Lincoln	Home	7:00P
01/28	Bedford	Home	7:00P
01/29	Ypsilanti	Home	7:00P
02/05	Dexter	Away	5:30P
		Depart 4:15P	
02/09	Saline	Away	7:00P
02/12	Tecumseh (High School Gym)	Home	7:00P
02/16	Pioneer	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:15P	
02/19	Adrian	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:30P	
02/23	Monroe (High School Gym)	Home	7:00P
02/26	Lincoln	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:15P	
03/02	Ypsilanti	Away	7:00P
		Depart 4:15P	
03/04	Dexter (High School Gym)	Home	7:00P
03/05	MHSAA Districts on 3/5, 10/12	Away	TBA

BOYS VARSITY SWIMMING/DIVING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/11	SMISL Relays	Away	TBA
12/12	SMISL Relays	Away	TBA
12/15	Huron and Monroe	Home	6:00P
01/05	Holland Christian Invitational	Away	TBA
01/14	Lincoln	Away	6:30P
01/19	Milan	Away	6:00P
01/21	Adrian & Chelsea at Dexter	Away	6:00P
01/23	9th, 10th Dexter Invitational	Away	TBA
01/26	Jackson	Away	6:00P
01/28	Bedford	Home	6:30P
02/04	Saline & Skyline at Chelsea	Home	8:00P
02/06	Battle Creek Lakeview E-W Inv.	Away	6:00P
02/09	Brighton	Away	6:00P
02/11	Tecumseh	Away	6:30P
02/18	Pioneer & Chelsea at Ypsilanti	Away	6:00P
02/26	SEC White Championships	Away	TBA
3/26, 27	at Tecumseh		
03/13	MHSAA State Finals	Away	TBA

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/5	Stockbridge HS	HS Gym	7:30P
12/11	Saline HS	HS Gym	7:00P
12/15	Ypsilanti HS	HS Gym	7:00P
12/18	Dexter HS	HS Gym	7:00P
12/29	CHS Varsity Holiday Classic	HS Gym	3:00P
	Milan V. Pineckney		
12/29	CHS Varsity Holiday Classic	HS Gym	7:00P
	Milan V. Northville		
12/30	CHS Varsity Holiday Classic	HS Gym	3:00P
	Milan V. Northville		
12/30	CHS Varsity Holiday Classic	HS Gym	7:00P
	Chelsea V. Pineckney		
1/5	South Lyon HS	HS Gym	7:00P
1/8	Tecumseh HS	HS Gym	7:00P

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
1/15	Adrian HS	HS Gym	7:00P
1/19	Ann Arbor Huron HS	HS Gym	7:00P
1/22	Lincoln	HS Gym	7:00P
1/26	Bedford HS	HS Gym	5:30P
1/29	Ypsilanti HS	HS Gym	7:00P
2/5	Dexter HS	HS Gym	7:00P
2/9	Saline HS	HS Gym	5:30P
2/12	Tecumseh HS	HS Gym	7:00P
2/16	Pioneer HS	HS Gym	7:00P
2/19	Adrian HS	HS Gym	7:00P
2/23	Monroe HS	HS Gym	7:00P
2/26	Lincoln	HS Gym	7:00P
3/1	MHSAA Districts 3/1, 3/5	HS Gym	TBA

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2009-2010 WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

BOYS' VARSITY WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/05	Ypsilanti Invitational (HS Gym)	Away	9:00A
12/05	Pioneer JV Invitational (HS Gym)	Away	10:00A
12/10	Huron, Adrian, Chelsea at Bedford	Away	5:30P
	(HS Gym)		
12/12	Varsity - Monroe St. Mary Inv.	Away	9:00A
	(HS Gym)		
12/17	Skyline, Ypsilanti, and Huron	Home	5:30P
	(HS Gym)		
12/19	Coldwater Invitational (HS Gym)	Away	9:00A
01/06	Saline & Tecumseh at Huron	Away	5:30P
	(HS Gym)		
01/09	Holly Invitational - Varsity	Away	9:00A
	(HS Gym)		
01/14	Monroe & Dexter at Dexter	Away	5:30P
	(HS Gym)		
01/16	Napoleon Invitational - Varsity	Away	TBA
	(HS Gym)		
01/16	Eaton Rapids (JV) (HS Gym)	Away	9:00A
01/21	Pioneer and Lincoln at Huron	Away	5:30P
	(HS Gym)		
01/23	CHS 5 Team Wrestling Tour.	Home	9:00A
	(HS Gym)		
01/27	Ann Arbor Huron (HS Gym)	Home	5:30P
01/30	Lakewood Invitational - Varsity	Away	8:30A
	(HS Gym)		
02/02	CHS Quad (HS Gym)	Home	5:30P
02/06	SEC Championships Ypsilanti	Away	9:00A
	(HS Gym)		
02/10	MHSAA Team Districts Tecumseh	Away	TBA
	(HS Gym)		
02/13	MHSAA Individual Districts	Away	TBA

BOYS VARSITY ICE HOCKEY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/07	Multi Team Seimmage (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	12:30P
11/13	Canton (Scrimmage)	Home	7:00P
11/21	Grosse Ile at Kennedy Arena	Away	7:20P
11/27	Chelsea Tournament - Chelsea plays Detroit City Day	Home	7:30P
11/28	Chelsea Cons or Champ 5/7:30	Home	8:00P
12/05	Dexter (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	7:00P
12/09	Bedford (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	6:30P
12/11	Sault St. Marie - Osego Sports Complex - D-3 Showcase	Away	4:00P
12/12	Big Rapids - Osego Sports Complex D-3 Showcase	Away	6:00P
12/16	Lumen Christi (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	6:30P
12/19	Lincoln	Away	1:00P
		Depart 11:45A	
01/06	Davison	Away	7:00P
01/09	Flint Powers Catholic	Away	3:00P
01/13	Ann Arbor Huron	Away	7:30P
		Depart 6:15P	
01/16	Monroe	Away	3:30P
01/22	Canton	Away	8:00P
		Depart 6:45P	
01/23	Woodhaven (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	7:00P
01/27	Dexter	Away	7:30P
		Depart 6:15P	
01/30	Lumen Christi	Away	6:00P
		Depart 6:45P	
02/03	Riverview Community (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	6:30P
02/06	Lincoln (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	7:00P
02/09	Howell	Away	7:00P
		Depart 5:20P	
02/17	Saline (Arctic Coliseum)	Away	6:30P
02/20	Pioneer (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	7:00P
02/26	Davison (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	6:30P
02/27	Monroe (Arctic Coliseum)	Home	7:00P
03/02	Regionals Start	Home	TBA

COED VARSITY BOWLING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
01/04	Pioneer at Colonial Lanes	Away	3:30P
01/11	Adrian at Tecumseh Ten Pin	Away	3:30P
01/13	Tecumseh at Adrian Lenawee Rec	Away	3:30P
01/19	Ypsilanti at Chelsea Lanes	Home	3:30P
01/26	Saline at Ypsilanti Arbor Lanes	Away	3:30P
01/27	Adrian at Lenawee Rec	Away	3:30P
02/01	Tecumseh at Chelsea Lanes	Home	3:25P
02/06	Ypsilanti at Tecumseh Ten Pin Alley	Away	3:30P
02/12	Skyline at Huron Colonial Lanes	Away	3:30P
02/15	Huron at Monroe Nortel Lanes	Away	3:30P
02/17	Monroe at Belmark Lanes	Away	3:30P
02/23	SEC Tournament at Belleville Lodge Lanes	Away	TBA



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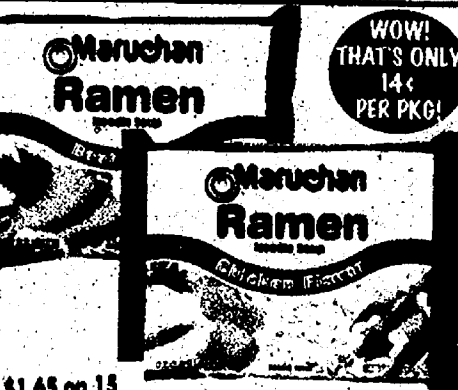
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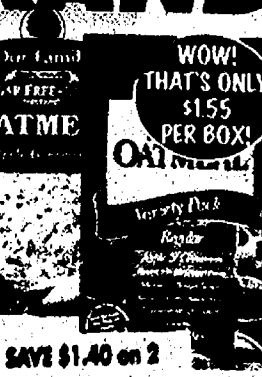
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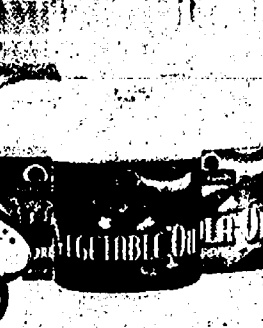
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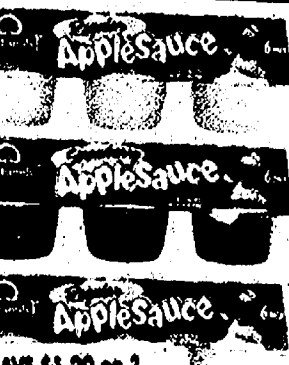
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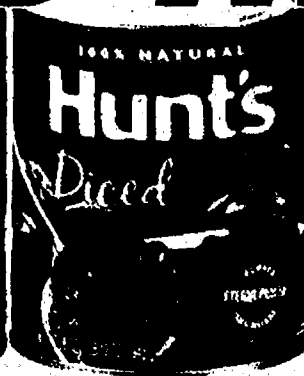
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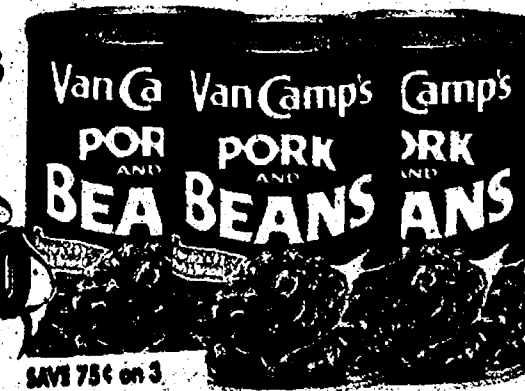
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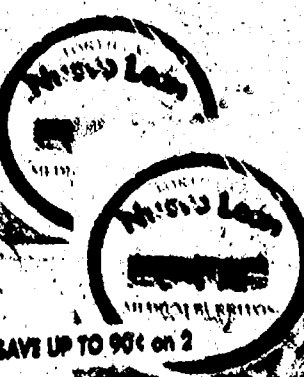
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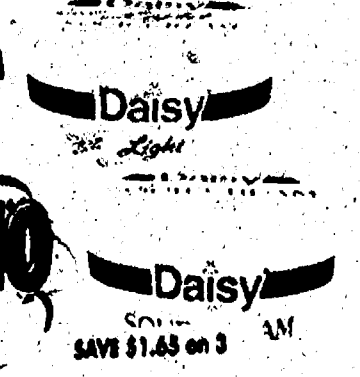
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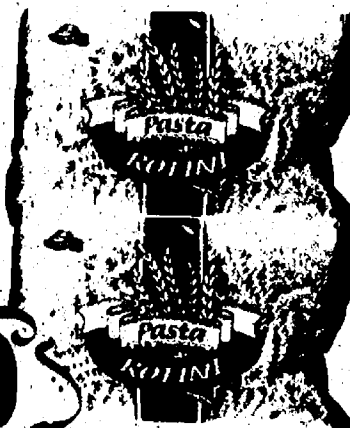
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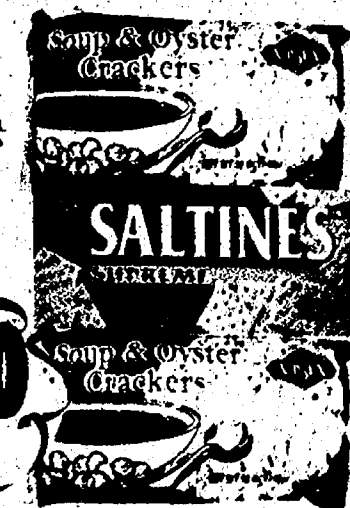
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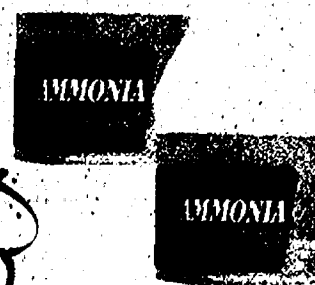
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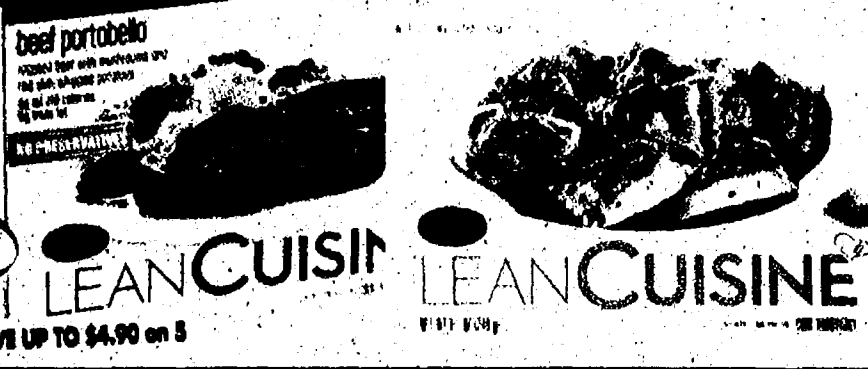
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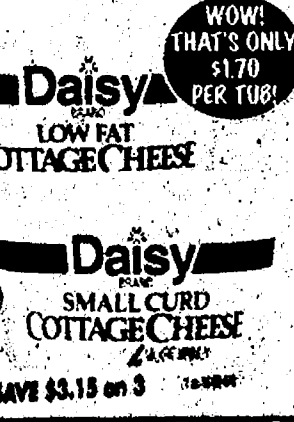
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Selected Varieties

2/\$3.10



FLAV-R-PAC VEGETABLE BLEND
16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$1.10



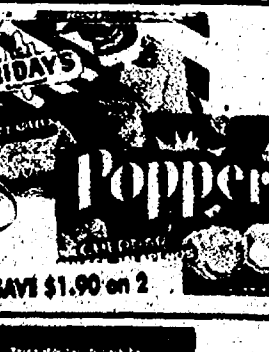
TOTINO'S PIZZA ROLLS
40 ct. Family Size
Selected Varieties

2/\$5.10



TGI FRIDAY'S APPETIZERS OR POPPERS
7.6 - 11 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$5.10



BIRDSEYE STEAMFRESH VEGETABLE BLENDS
12 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.10



BANQUET BONELESS CHICKEN
24 - 26.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$12.10



DIGIORNO PREMIUM FROZEN PIZZA
13 - 34.2 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$9.10



PRAIRIE FARMS ICE CREAM
Full 1/2 Gallon or NORTH STAR ICE CREAM CONES
4 - 8 Pk.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.10



We Carry Only USDA Choice Beef,
The Best in Town. Don't Be Fooled By
Select Beef or Lower #1 Grades.

USDA Choice Meats

1855 Premium Natural Choice Pork
PORK STEAK
Family Pack

\$11.99
LB.

1855 Premium Natural Choice Pork
BOSTON PORK BUTT
ROAST

\$12.99
LB.

USDA Choice Premium Beef
SEASONED TRI-TIPS

\$3.99
LB.

1855 Premium Natural Choice Pork
WESTERN STYLE
PORK RIBS

\$14.99
LB.

Ground Fresh Several Times Daily
GROUND BEEF
FROM ROUND

\$2.49
LB.

1855 Premium Natural Choice Pork
PORK BACK RIBS

\$2.99
LB.

BUTTERBALL
TURKEY BREAST
Selected Varieties

\$5.89
LB.

Deli

NEW YORK
BAGEL CRISPS &
PITA CHIPS
Selected Varieties

\$2.69
LB.

DELALLO
HONEY BBQ
CHICKEN BREAST

\$5.99
LB.

BOARS HEAD
PRE-CUT
CHEESE
Monterey, Jack, Pepper Jack
8 oz.

\$3.49
LB.

BOARS HEAD
JALAPENO PEPPER
SAUCE
8 oz.

\$3.79
LB.

BOARS HEAD
EVERROAST
CHICKEN

\$7.99
LB.

CADY CREEK
CHEDDAR CHEESE

\$4.69
LB.

SANDRIDGE
ZESTY BOWTIE
PASTA

\$2.99
LB.

LEON'S
SPINACH DIP

\$4.79
LB.

GARDEN FRESH
CHIPS & SALSA
Selected Varieties
16 oz.

2/\$6

DELALLO
MINI PROVOLONE
OR MUENSTER

\$3.99
LB.

DELALLO GOLD
10% COOKED
HAM

\$2.99
LB.

SAN MARTINO
HARD SALAMI
Pre-Sliced
(Bulk)

\$4.99
LB.

BOARS HEAD
CO-JACK OR
COLBY CHEESE

\$5.99
LB.

at Low, Low Prices!

**We Carry 1855 Premium
All Natural Choice Pork**

J.J. Carvers
Frozen Bone In
PRIME RIB
W/SEASONING

\$5.69
LB.

Censea
COOKED SHRIMP
41 - 50 ct. • 2 lb. Bag

\$4.99
LB.

**GOURMET LOBSTER
SPREAD**
5 oz.

\$2.79
EAS



Amish Farms
**SPLIT CHICKEN
BREASTS**
Family Pack

\$1.49
LB.

Fresh Wild Caught from USA
**BONELESS SKINLESS
COD FILLETS**

\$6.79
LB.

Fresh from Canada
**BONELESS ATLANTIC
SALMON FILLETS**

\$7.99
LB.

**JOHNSONVILLE
FRESH BRATS &
SAUSAGE**
Selected Varieties
19.76 oz.

\$3.49

Lunchmeats

**TYSON
ANY TIZERS**
Selected Varieties
22 - 32 oz.

\$7.99

**BUDDIG
THIN SLICED
LUNCHMEATS**
Selected Varieties
2.01 lb.

4/\$2

Cori Buddig
Chicken

Cori Buddig
Turkey

**OSCAR MAYER
BACON**
Selected Varieties
12 - 16 oz.

\$2.99

**EL MONTEREY
BURRITOS**
Selected Varieties
32 oz.

\$2.99

**EL MONTEREY
TAQUITOS**
CHICKEN & CHEESE
FLOUR TORTILLAS

**EL MONTEREY
BURRITOS**
CHICKEN & BEANS
FLOUR TORTILLAS

**EL MONTEREY
BURRITOS**
SWEET TACO PICANTE
FLOUR TORTILLAS

**EL MONTEREY
TAQUITOS**
Selected Varieties
32 oz.

\$6.49

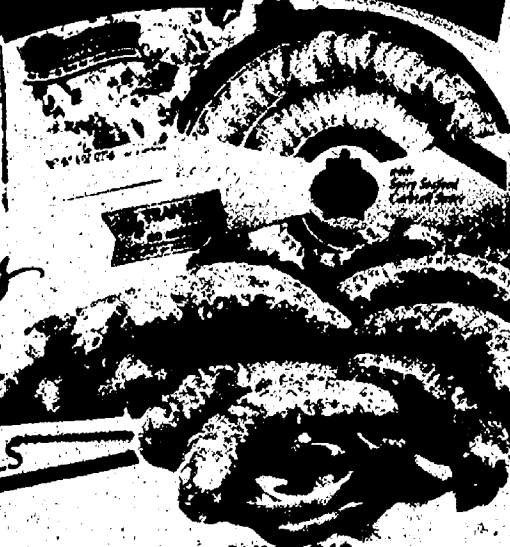
**Original
VEGETABLES**

**Chung's
MINI EGG ROLLS**

**ARMOUR
MEATBALLS**
5 lb. Bag

\$9.99

Crab Classic Lobster Classic



**CHUNG'S
MINI EGG ROLLS**
Vegetable or Chicken
20 oz.

\$4.99

**TRANS OCEAN
CRAB & LOBSTER**
Selected Varieties
1 lb.

\$1.99

**OUR FAMILY
SEAFOOD
SENSATIONS
SHRIMP RINGS**
36 oz.

\$13.99

**DAVE'S
FRESH ITALIAN &
POLISH SAUSAGE**

\$2.49
LB.

SPECIALTY & NATURAL FOODS!

**CASCADIAN FARMS
ORGANIC CEREALS**
8.5 - 17 oz.
Selected Varieties

Cascadian Farm
ORGANIC
Oats & Honey
GRANOLA

Cascadian Farm
ORGANIC
Oats & Honey
GRANOLA

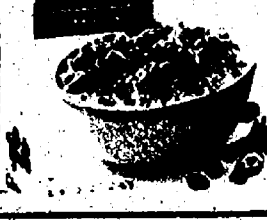
**EARTH'S BEST
STRAINED
BABY FOOD**
4 oz.
Selected Varieties

EARTH'S BEST
ORGANIC
STRAINED FOODS
APPLES & APRICOTS

EARTH'S BEST
ORGANIC
STRAINED FOODS
PEARS

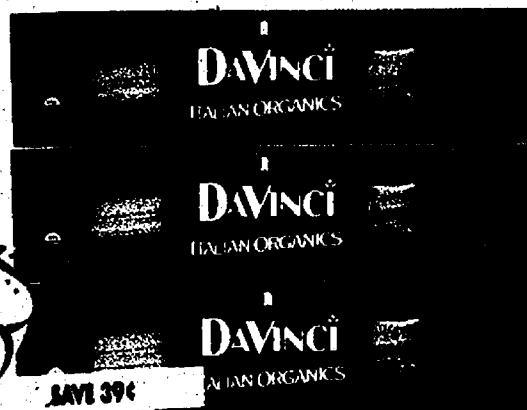
EARTH'S BEST
ORGANIC
STRAINED FOODS
PEAS & BROWN RICE

\$3.10
SAVE 59¢

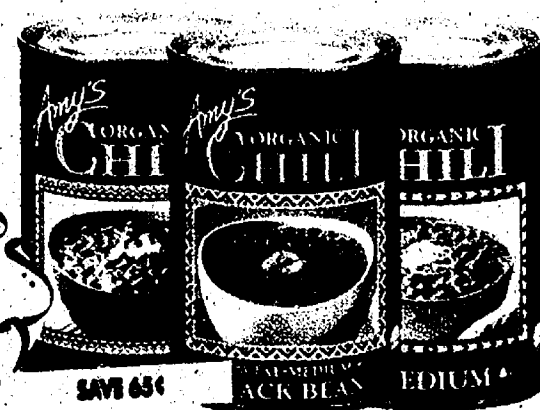


3/\$2.10

**DAVINCI
PASTA**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties



**AMY'S
CHILI**
14 - 15 oz.
Selected Varieties



**RONZONI
HEALTHY HARVEST
SMART TASTE PASTA**
12 - 14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



\$1.10
SAVE 39¢



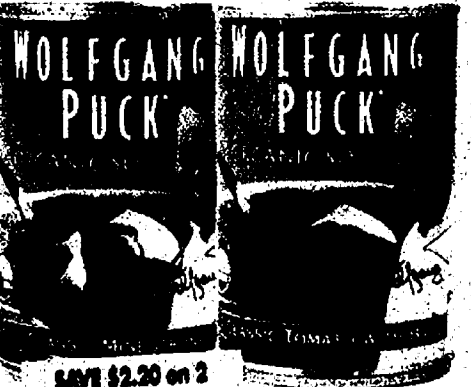
\$2.10
SAVE 65¢



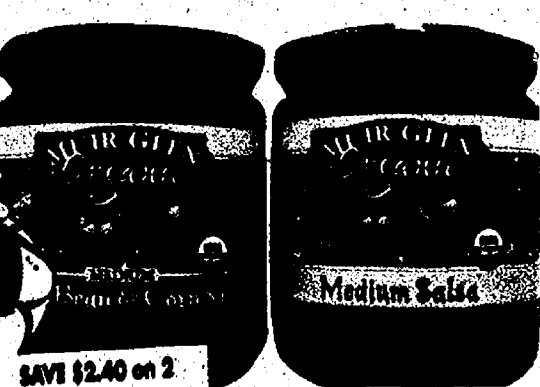
2/\$2.10
SAVE \$1.20 on 2



**WOLFGANG PUCK
ORGANIC SOUP**
14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



**MUIR GLEN
SALSA**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties



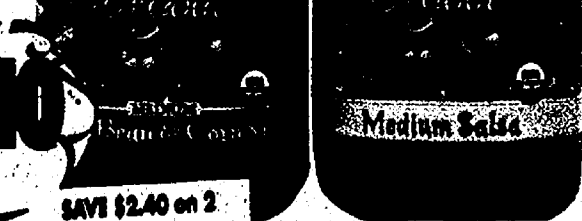
**KETTLE BAKED
CHIPS**
4 oz.
Selected Varieties



2/\$3.10
SAVE \$2.20 on 2



2/\$5.10
SAVE \$2.40 on 2

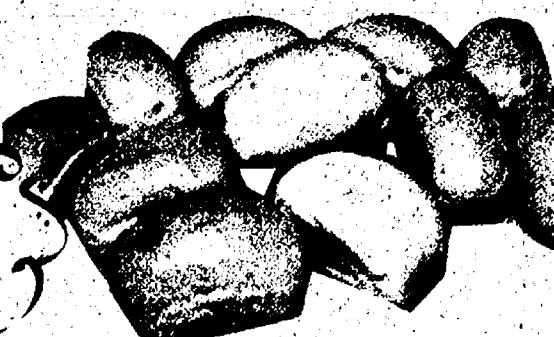


\$2.10

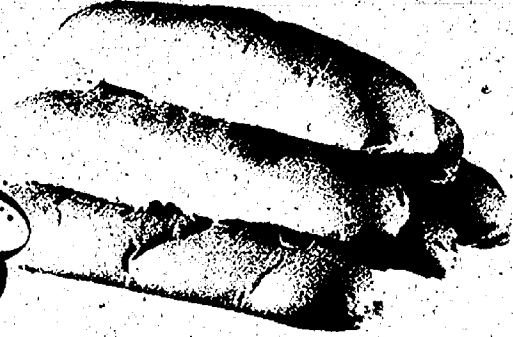


FRESH BAKERY!

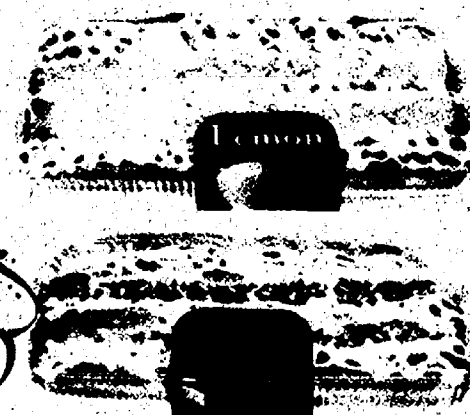
**Fresh Baked
MINI
LOAVES**
2 ct.
White or Wheat



**Fresh Baked
SUB BUNS**
4 ct.
White or Wheat



**Fresh Baked
DANISH
COFFEE CAKES**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties



**BUTTER
CROISSANTS**
3 ct.



**MINI
CUPCAKES**
12 ct.
Yellow or Chocolate



**ICED
LONG JOHNS**
4 ct.
Selected Varieties



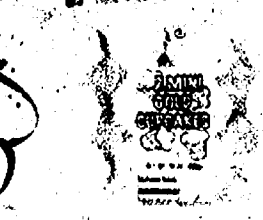
**Fresh Baked
COOKIES**
12 ct.
Selected Varieties



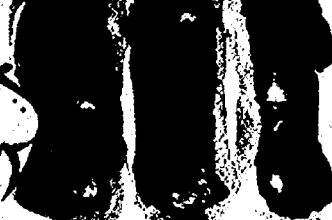
\$2.49



\$2.59



\$1.89



\$3.29



HOME & HEALTH CARE SAVINGS!

**BOUNTY BASIC
PAPER TOWELS**
8 Roll

\$5.10

SAVE \$1.36



**CHARMIN BASIC
BATH TISSUE**
12 Big Rolls

\$5.10

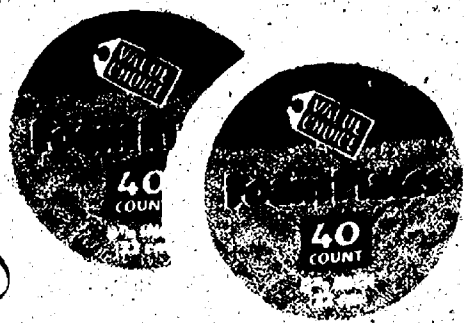
SAVE \$1.03



**VALUE CHOICE
FOAM PLATES**
40 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$1.10

SAVE 40¢



**KLEENEX
FACIAL TISSUE**
75 - 200 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$1.10

SAVE 85¢



**PALMOLIVE
LIQUID DISH SOAP**
20 - 25 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.10

SAVE \$1.25



**CASCADE
AUTO DISH
DETERGENT**
45 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.10

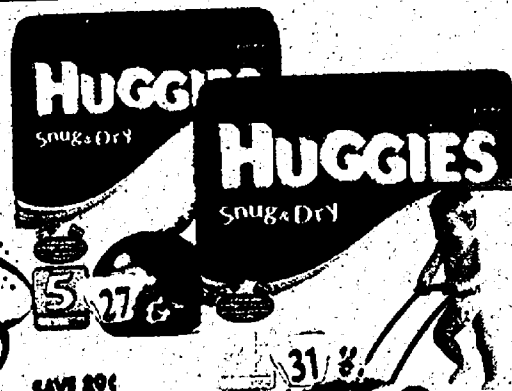
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**HUGGIES
DIAPERS**
23 - 42 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$9.10

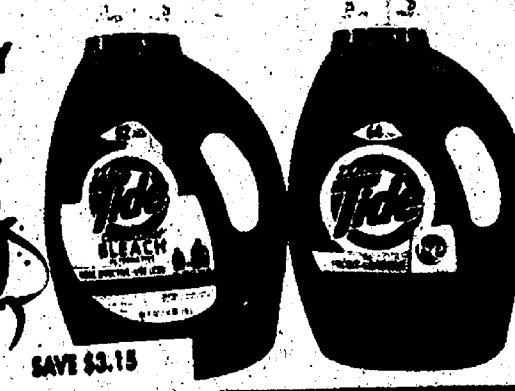
SAVE 89¢



**TIDE 2X
LIQUID LAUNDRY
DETERGENT**
100 oz.
Selected Varieties Only

\$12.10

SAVE \$3.15



PET CARE SAVINGS!

**FANCY FEAST
CAN CAT FOOD**
3 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.20



TOTAL BOTTOM LINE SAVINGS!

**OUR FAMILY
SCOOP
CAT LITTER**
14 lb.

\$4.10

SAVE \$1.15



**NUNN BETTER
DOG FOOD**
16 lb.
Golden Nuggets or
Mini Chunks

\$5.99

SAVE \$1.00



**NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM THISTLE
SEED**
3 lb.

\$5.10



**NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM WILD
BIRD SEED**
20 lb.

\$5.10

SAVE 37¢



**NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM
SUNFLOWER SEED**
10 lb.

\$5.10

SAVE 37¢



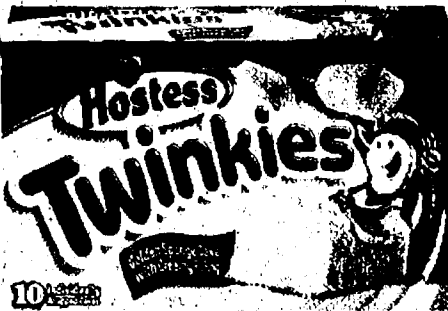
SNACK & BEVERAGE SAVINGS!

**HOSTESS
CUPCAKES, DING
DONGS, TWINKIES,
SUZY Q'S, HO HO'S &
100 CAL CAKES**
6 - 12 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$2.10



SAVE \$1.65



10 ct.

**7-UP
PRODUCTS**
2 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

3/\$2.10



SAVE \$2.40 on 3

WOW!
THAT'S ONLY
70¢
PER BOTTLE

**KEEBLER
CHEEZ-ITS,
TOWNHOUSE &
PREMIUM CLUB
CRACKERS**
11.7 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.10

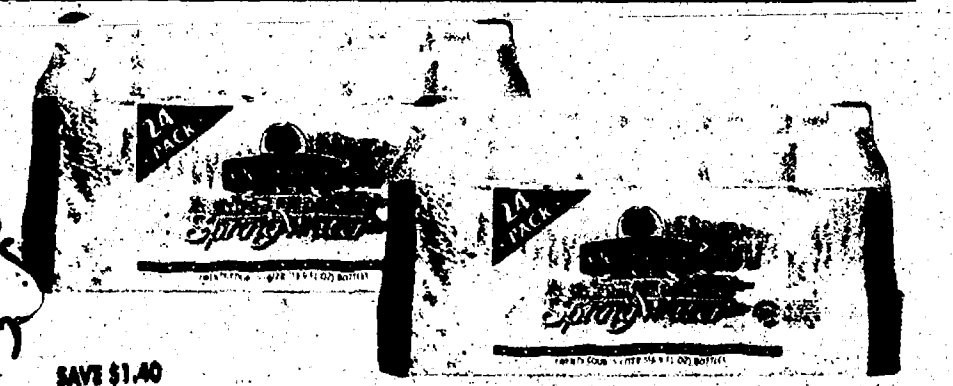


SAVE \$1.65



**OUR FAMILY
SPRING WATER**
24 Pk.

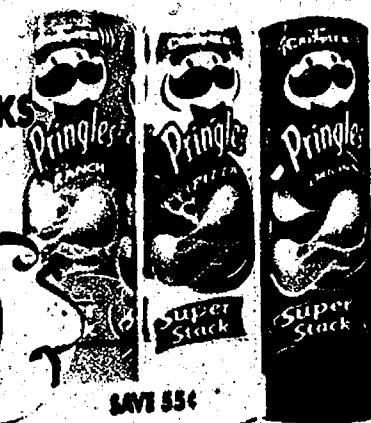
\$3.10



SAVE \$1.40

**PRINGLES
SNACK STACKS**
5.71 - 6.73 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.10



SAVE 55¢

**GENERAL MILLS
BUGLES, CHEERIOS
SNACK MIX, GARDETTOS
& CHEX SNACK MIX**
4.44 - 8.75 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.10



SAVE \$1.25

**OUR FAMILY
POP**
2 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

3/\$2.10



SAVE 30¢ on 3

**7-UP
PRODUCTS**
6 Pk. 1/2 Liter Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$2.10



SAVE \$1.40

**NABISCO
SNACK
CRACKERS**
7 - 10 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.10



SAVE 90¢

**KELLOGG'S
RICE KRISPIES
TREATS**
5.9 - 6.2 oz.
Selected Varieties

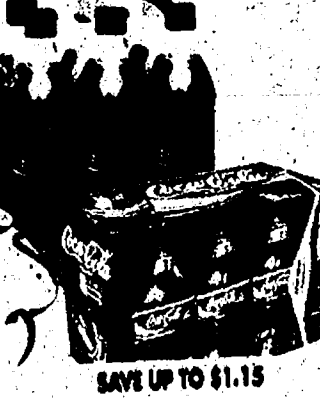
\$2.10



SAVE 40¢

**COCA-COLA
PRODUCTS**
6 Pk. 24 oz. Plastic
8 Pk. 12 oz. Plastic
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$3.10



SAVE UP TO \$1.15

**PEPSI COLA
PRODUCTS**
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
8 Pk. 16.9 oz. Plastic
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

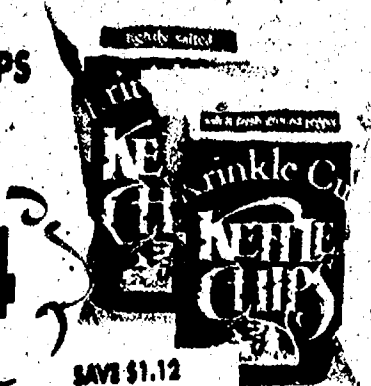
2/\$7.10



SAVE \$1.90 on 2

**KETTLE
POTATO CHIPS**
14 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44



SAVE \$1.12

**FRITO LAY
TOSTITOS**
9.5 - 13 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.88



SAVE 77¢

**COCA-COLA
PRODUCTS**
Bonus 20 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$5.10



LIMIT 2
SAVE 89¢

**RED BULL
ENERGY DRINKS**
4 Pk.
Regular or Sugar Free

\$5.10



SAVE \$1.65

RED BULL
8-SHOTS
Selected Varieties
2 oz. 4 Pk.
\$1.99

WINE CELLAR

SPIRITS

WE ARE THE ONLY STORE IN THE AREA THAT SELL'S THE FOLLOWING:

ARBOR MIST WINES
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$5.99

SAVE \$1.50



SUTTER HOME WINES
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$7.49

SAVE \$2.46



FAYGO MIXERS
1 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

79¢

SAVE 21¢



V-8
6 Pk. 5 oz. Cans or
46 oz. Bottle
Selected Varieties

2/\$5

SAVE UP TO \$2.00 on 2



MENAGE A TROIS RED & WHITE WINE
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$8.49

SAVE \$3.01



PLUNGERHEAD ZINFANDEL FROM CALIFORNIA
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$14.99

SAVE \$3.50



DOUBLE GOLD AT THE CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR!

SMIRNOFF VODKA & VODKA TWISTS
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$9.96



KETEL ONE VODKA OR TANGUERAY GIN
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$19.97



ST. JULIAN NON ALCOHOLIC SPARKLING JUICE
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

2/\$6.99

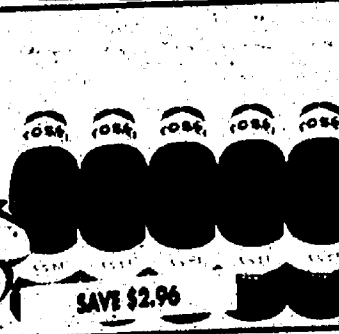
SAVE \$1.00 on 2



TOSTI ASTI
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$7.99

SAVE \$2.96



CANADIAN MIST
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$11.95



SOUTHERN COMFORT
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$15.99



COOK'S CHAMPAGNE & BALLATORE SPUMANTE
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$5.99

SAVE UP TO \$3.26



ROTARI SPARKLING WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$9.99

SAVE \$3.80



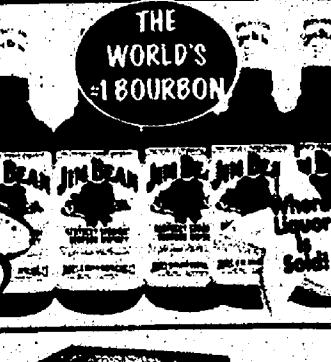
CAPTAIN MORGAN SPICED RUM
1.75 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$19.97



JIM BEAM BOURBON
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$16.98



THE BREWERY!

MICHIGAN BREW CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$6.99

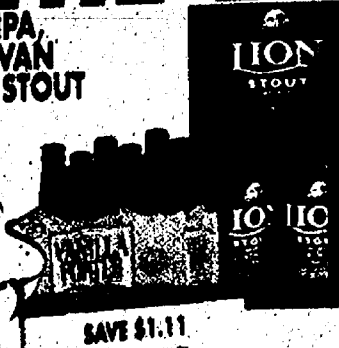
SAVE \$1.26



SHORTS HUMA IPA, BRECKENRIDGE VAN PORTER & LION STOUT
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$8.99

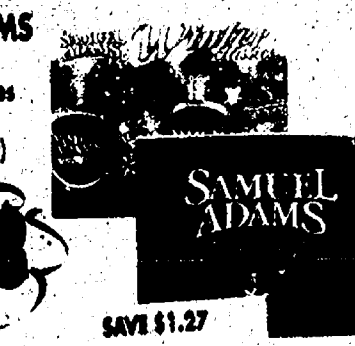
SAVE \$1.11



SAMUEL ADAMS BEER
12 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.68

SAVE \$1.27



HEINEKEN, CORONA PACIFICO & RED STRIPE
12 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.49

SAVE UP TO \$2.01



BUDWEISER OR MICHELOB ULTRA
20 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.99

SAVE 80¢



MILLER, COORS LIGHT & LABATT
18 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$11.49

SAVE 50¢



MILLER HIGH LIFE SPECIAL
24 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$11.99

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!



RED DOG BEER
30 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
(plus tax & deposit)


\$12.99

SAVE \$1.00



RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH HEALTHY SAVINGS!

Enjoy 5 Servings of Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Each Day for Better Health



SAVE \$1.12 ea.

Sweet Jumbo CANTALOUPE

\$1.38 EA.



SAVE 61¢ ea.

Dole CLASSIC SALAD MIX OR COLESLAW

12 - 14 oz.

98¢ EA.



SAVE 51¢ /lb.

New Crop Jumbo GREEN PEPPERS

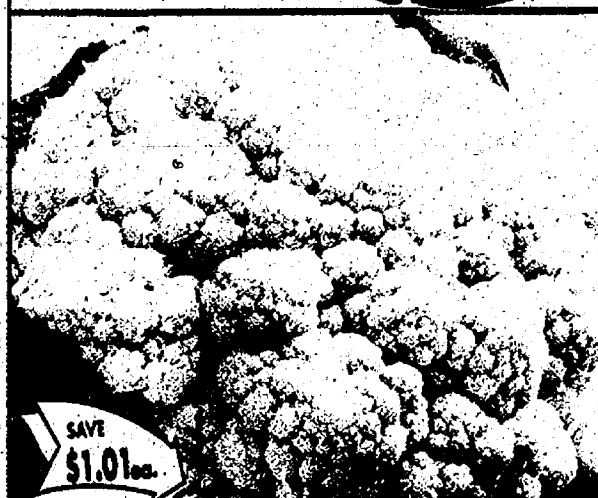
98¢ LB.



Fresh Floral Department
May not be exactly as illustrated

Consumer Bunch BOUQUET

2/\$10



SAVE \$1.01 ea.

California CAULIFLOWER

\$1.98 EA.




SAVE 61¢ ea.

Dole BABY CARROTS

1 lb.

98¢ EA.



SAVE 71¢ ea.

Aunt Mid's WHOLE MUSHROOMS

8 oz.

\$1.28 EA.



Marzetti's VEGGIE DIPS

All Varieties 15 oz.

2/\$5



Tart Juicy LINES 5/\$2

SAVE 18¢ ea.

New Crop Extra Large LEMONS

2/\$1



SAVE 82¢ ea.

New Crop GRAPE TOMATOES

Pint


\$1.68 EA.



SAVE \$2.01

Florida Extra Large TANGELOS

8/\$2



Nutritious AVOCADOS

88¢ EA.