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DDA selects new president

By Sean Dalton
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Now that attorney Peter Flintoft has settled into his new role as Downtown Development Authority president, he's talking about the body's new direction in spurring growth and development of Chelsea's downtown.

Flintoft was named DDA president during the March 17 regular meeting. He replaces Vogel's and Foster's owner Mike Jackson, who served for two years.

Jackson resigned last month citing personal reasons related to his work and family as the reason for stepping down.

Flintoft, who has been a member of the DDA for six years now, says that he will unveil some new ideas at the next regular meeting - specifically a plan to assist downtown business owners who wish to increase the intensity of their property use, by offsetting costs to water and sewer costs.

"In terms of sewer and water, if you have an existing building that is a lighter use like retail and want to bring in a restaurant, we want to help," Flintoft said.

Where a dry goods store may use 1 Residential Equivalent Units per square foot (REU) is the measure of water-usage per square foot compared to the water used in a residential property, a restaurant typically uses 4 REU's per square foot, Flintoft explained.

He says that he sees higher REU rates uses being dominant in the future of Chelsea's downtown district, but currently many of the existing building

uses in Chelsea are for dry goods, office space or other low intensity uses.

"My concept would be if a person has a building that's retail and wants it to convert to restaurant, because that appears what the future development of these downtowns is, we should help them," Flintoft said.

Projections show retail space shrinking on a national basis, according to Flintoft. Bookstores are going to decline to 10 percent of what they were in terms of square footage, he added.

"Retail is going to be tougher and tougher and tougher."

Flintoft's plan is not unlike Industrial Tax Certificates, which have been popular for the past decade. In ITC's industrial taxpayers make investments in real property based on an agreement with the municipal entity that collects their taxes in which tax credits are given.

Flintoft says that as demand for restaurants, medical facilities and apartments grows, which he posits will happen, towns that accommodate growth in those areas will continue to thrive as Chelsea has.

Since Chelsea owns its utilities, Flintoft says it's simply a matter of paying utility costs to the city for such improvement costs.

In exchange a Special Assessment District would be established on the business property based on what the DDA paid to the city for costs, and the payable SAD term would be 12 years with the final year's costs forgiven for the property owner for staying in

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Photo by Sean Dalton

Chelsea School District Superintendent Dave Killips, Mayor Jason Lindauer, CCH President and CEO Kathleen Griffiths, Medical Chief of Staff Dr. Eric Skye, and Gary Faja, president and CEO of Trinity Health "break ground" at the hospital March 22.

Breaking ground

Community hospital starts first phase of \$60 million expansion

By Sean Dalton
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Ground was broken Tuesday, March 22 on the first phase of expansion at Chelsea Community Hospital.

Construction of the two-story 100,000 square-foot addition marks the beginning of the largest construction projects in the history of the city of Chelsea, which is themed "Growing for You," in an effort to promote and protect the rural aesthetic that so many residents consider an integral part of their experience at CCH.

Chelsea Community Hospital President and CEO Kathleen Griffiths led off the 1 p.m. ceremony at the construction site by thanking Albert Kahn architects and the construction team responsible for building the addition and executing parking and driveway improvements around the hospital's lot come this July.

"From the very beginning, I believe both firms brought an understanding and an appreciation for the unique character of our campus and our hospital," Griffiths said, touching on a major theme of comments made by many of the presenters - reverence for the feel and level of quality that Chelsea area residents have come to expect from CCH.

Griffiths also pointed to the beauty of the CCH campus, the preservations of which was a high priority.

"Preserving the beauty of our campus, as many of you know is not without its challenges... but they have not been daunted by these challenges. Rather they have embraced the setting and designed a building that respects and enhances what we already have here."

The new building will include a 54-bed addition that will make all of the hospital's rooms private. It will also include a new

emergency room, X-ray and imaging areas, outpatient rehabilitation and therapy space and a new front entrance and lobby area.

"As our work proceeded on this project our administrative team, directors and their staff first and foremost spent time ensuring that these new facilities would meet the needs of our patients and their families," Griffiths said. "In the very early stages of this project we developed a series of guiding principals, and we believe that these principals would preserve and enhance all that is special about Chelsea hospital and important to our patients, visitors, staff and physicians."

"I feel that as we've moved forward with the project we have remained true to those principles."

This May is the two-year anniversary of CCH's merger with Trinity Health and the St. Joseph Mercy Health System. It was these new relationships that Griffiths credited for realizing a project that has been a "dream" of many at CCH.

Gary Faja, president and CEO of Trinity Health, talked about Project Genesis, which will see computer systems installed at critical facilities throughout CCH and other facilities in the health system in surgery and emergency rooms.

"It's quite an undertaking," Faja said.

The system will allow doctors to access the most up-to-date medical records with previously impossible alacrity at critical stages of patient care. The system will come to CCH this July.

"We like to think that we bring the opportunity to provide new services here to Chelsea, such as oncology services," Faja added. "That is something at the top of our list to provide for this community for convenience and excellence."

Faja also praised CCH for their survey scores in the categories of quality, patient safety, patient satisfaction, employee engagement and physician satisfaction, calling one of the "best places to work" within the family of 46 facilities in the health care system that are in his purview.

"What I wanted to make very clear to all of you, and this was clear from the beginning of our discussion for the merger - that we wanted to provide the strength of a large organization such as St. Joseph Mercy Health System with our six hospitals and six ambulatory sites throughout Michigan and Trinity Health," Faja said. "We wanted to bring the strength of that organization to this hospital and to this community."

"What we did not want to do is disrupt the wonderful culture that has been developed here over the years. Our goal from the beginning, was to deal with the strength of the system, but preserve the culture that you have developed here over the years. I think we've struck a good balance on that."

CCH Board Chairman David Killips thanked previous chairpersons Judy Knoll, Pat Conlin and James Woods for their work bringing the merger and the expansion project to fruition during their tenures on the board.

"They, along with other board of trustees, donated endless hours to see the alliance of Trinity Health, St. Joe's and CCH come to fruition," Killips said. "Not only is Chelsea Community Hospital provided with medical facilities, the communities of Chelsea, Dexter, Grass Lake, Manchester and Stockbridge will have long lasting benefits."

"We will also see the newly-created Chelsea Area Wellness Foundation provide new endeavors for us as well."

Killips highlighted the economic benefits of the expansion, which will bring temporary construction workers and tradesmen to Chelsea in the short term

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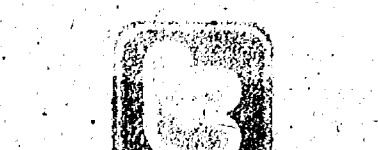
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Sophomore Jordan Battaglia, junior Lauren Lyons, freshman Madisen Powell and senior Brooke Gier led the EXTRAVAGANZA team.

Students raise \$3K for nonprofit

Students at Chelsea High School took part in EXTRAVAGANZA's Glow Bash, Friday, March 18, to raise money and awareness for To Write Love on Her Arm, a nonprofit dedicated to finding help for people struggling with depression and addiction.

The Glow Bash was a black light event, and the first ever of its kind at the high school. Students wore neon socks,

shorts and glasses and used special black light paint on their faces and clothes. The students achieved their fundraising goal and collected \$3,000 for the nonprofit.

"We have really great students here at CHS," stated Julie Deppner, the high school's principal. "I was on a visit to another local school, and they were excited about raising \$300

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Claire Myers, student council president, said Chelsea High School students are an important part of the To Write Love on Her Arms' mission and vision.

"We are very privileged to send the \$3,000 to them," Myers said. "We are dealing with these issues all around us, and we hope that this money not only touches young people we don't know but also reaches students within our walls here at CHS."

DDA

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district. "They're doing this in places like Chicago to encourage redevelopment of single family homes ... we think people and banks have money out there that could be reinvested for a return," but there needs to be a nudge from somewhere to encourage such investment, Flintoft explained.

He said that the DDA's current return on investment from tax capture funds has "more than paid for itself ... we've seen a 1,200 percent increase in the downtown."

Flintoft said also that the city has exhibited good management practices and has a strength that most other cities don't have in owning its own-utility operations.

CCH

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and medical and technology professionals to the city in the long term, "at a time when it's needed most."

"The facilities and infrastructure will bring new technologies and health services to our patients as we maneuver through the ever changing field of medicine ... the new electronic records system will supply our physicians and health care experts with information that is more accurate, reliable and faster than ever," Killips said.

Dr. Eric Skye, CCH medical chief of staff, thanked the board for their work to make what he and the rest of the medical staff do on a daily basis easier and more effective.

"Whether it was our state of the art MRI or our new infusion center, the community hospital has always partnered with us to ensure that we can attract outstanding physicians and that we have the facilities that we need to provide the care that we've come to expect in Chelsea," Skye said. "I really see this groundbreaking as just the next phase in that continued partnership."

"The new hospital will allow Chelsea not only to continue to provide excellent care and outstanding services, but it will allow us to begin to offer new services that patients in the community can take advantage of right here in this area."

Chelsea's finest were in attendance at the groundbreaking ceremony, including United Methodist Retirement Communities President and CEO John Thorhauer, who has been a constant partner with CCH

and sees UMRC and CCH as two interlinked parts of a continuum of health service available in Chelsea.

"Chelsea Community Hospital is a great asset to the community and it's one that provides service to all of the people that we serve, so it's very valuable in the sense that the majority of people that receive service from us at one point or another need the service provided by the hospital," Thorhauer explained. "We're proud to have such a high quality offering right here in town, so that our residents and our constituents don't need to go outside of the Chelsea community to get those services, and in addition we also refer people to the hospital that need additional medical care and the hospital refers people to us that are in the healing process that come to us for rehabilitation and then go back home."

Thorhauer said that CCH's investment in Chelsea emboldens UMRC when it comes to investing in the Chelsea community, which he feels has more health service per person than any small town in the state. "Although Chelsea may be considered a small town by some standards, we do have a lot to offer people of all ages, but in our case it helps us attract seniors to our retirement communities that want the services that they need right in their hometown," he added.

Chelsea Mayor Jason Lindauer said that the expansion is particularly special to him, as his father was the architect who designed the existing structures at CCH when it was called the Chelsea Medical Clinic.

"I was running around on the roofs of these buildings when I was 5 years old ... so seeing this

place grow means more to me than I think most people realize."

He said he also feels that the CCH experience is at the core of many people's Chelsea experience and can easily be brought up by asking folks about why they're familiar with Chelsea.

"Clearly there are very few other towns of our size in the United States going through something like this," Lindauer said. "So I think it speaks to the caliber and the passion that has evolved here at Chelsea Community Hospital and in the community overall."

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Robert Pierce echoed what Killips said of the project's economic impact in the community.

"This is just a huge opportunity for us to start growing more business and benefit from all of the good work they're doing here at the hospital," Pierce said, adding that the chamber's relocation packets given out to people considering Chelsea as a family move destination invariably include mentions of benefits like CCH and its expanding facilities.

"Clearly Chelsea is becoming a mini-hub in the western part of the county for medical services in general, and that really expands well beyond the campus of the hospital, as we deal with the businesses that not only support the hospital and their functions, but also for businesses like restaurants and our local shopping," Pierce said.

Further down the road a second phase of renovation will bring improvements to existing spaces at CCH, such as a new comprehensive Cancer Center with a radiation oncology department, and expanded services at the Infusion Center, which was built last fall. The IC additions will allow the Cancer Center to provide a full spectrum of cancer care in the heart of Chelsea.

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"We are very privileged to send the \$3,000 to them," Myers said. "We are dealing with these issues all around us, and we hope that this money not only touches young people we don't know but also reaches students within our walls here at CHS."

DDA

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district. "They're doing this in places like Chicago to encourage redevelopment of single family homes ... we think people and banks have money out there that could be reinvested for a return," but there needs to be a nudge from somewhere to encourage such investment, Flintoft explained.

He said that the DDA's current return on investment from tax capture funds has "more than paid for itself ... we've seen a 1,200 percent increase in the downtown."

Flintoft said also that the city has exhibited good management practices and has a strength that most other cities don't have in owning its own utility operations.

CCH

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and medical and technology professionals to the city in the long term. "at a time when it's needed most."

"The facilities and infrastructure will bring new technologies and health services to our patients as we maneuver through the ever changing field of medicine ... the new electronic records system will supply our physicians and health care experts with information that is more accurate, reliable and faster than ever," Killips said.

Dr. Eric Skye, CCH medical chief of staff, thanked the board for their work to make what he and the rest of the medical staff do on a daily basis easier and more effective.

"Whether it was our state of the art MRI or our new infusion center, the community hospital has always partnered with us to ensure that we can attract outstanding physicians and that we have the facilities that we need to provide the care that we've come to expect in Chelsea," Skye said. "I really see this groundbreaking as just the next phase in that continued partnership."

"The new hospital will allow Chelsea not only to continue to provide excellent care and outstanding services, but it will allow us to begin to offer new services that patients in the community can take advantage of right here in this area."

Chelsea's finest were in attendance at the groundbreaking ceremony, including United Methodist Retirement Communities President and CEO John Thorhauer, who has been a constant partner with CCH

and sees UMRC and CCH as two interlinked parts of a continuum of health service available in Chelsea.

"Chelsea Community Hospital is a great asset to the community and it's one that provides service to all of the people that we serve, so it's very valuable in the sense that the majority of people that receive service from us at one point or another need the service provided by the hospital," Thorhauer explained.

"We're proud to have such a high quality offering right here in town so that our residents and our constituents don't need to go outside of the Chelsea community to get those services, and in addition we also refer people to the hospital that need additional medical care and the hospital refers people to us that are in the healing process that come to us for rehabilitation and then go back home."

Thorhauer said that CCH's investment in Chelsea emboldens UMRC when it comes to investing in the Chelsea community which he feels has more health service per person than any small town in the state.

"Although Chelsea may be considered a small town by some standards, we do have a lot to offer people of all ages, but in our case it helps us attract seniors to our retirement communities that want the services that they need right in their hometown," he added.

Chelsea Mayor Jason Lindauer said that the expansion is particularly special to him, as his father was the architect who designed the existing structures at CCH when it was called the Chelsea Medical Clinic.

"I was running around on the roofs of these buildings when I was 5 years old ... so seeing this

place grow means more to me than I think most people realize."

He said he also feels that the CCH experience is at the core of many people's Chelsea experience and can easily be brought up by asking folks about why they're familiar with Chelsea.

"Clearly there are very few other towns of our size in the United States going through something like this," Lindauer said. "So I think it speaks to the caliber and the passion that has evolved here at Chelsea Community Hospital and in the community overall."

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Robert Pierce echoed what Killips said of the project's economic impact in the community.

"This is just a huge opportunity for us to start growing more business and benefit from all of the good work they're doing here at the hospital," Pierce said, adding that the chamber's relocation packets given out to people considering Chelsea as a family move destination invariably include mentions of benefits like CCH and its expanding facilities.

"Clearly Chelsea is becoming a mini-hub in the western part of the county for medical services in general, and that really expands well beyond the campus of the hospital, as we deal with the businesses that not only support the hospital and their functions, but also for businesses like restaurants and our local shopping," Pierce said.

Further down the road a second phase of renovation will bring improvements to existing spaces at CCH, such as a new comprehensive Cancer Center with a radiation oncology department, and expanded services at the Infusion Center, which was built last fall. The IC additions will allow the Cancer Center to provide a full spectrum of cancer care in the heart of Chelsea.

Chelsea Depot Association

The annual meeting of the Chelsea Depot Association will be held Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at the Chelsea Depot 125 Jackson Street, Chelsea, Michigan at 5:00 p.m.

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State police closing posts

Ypsi Township one of 21 to close statewide

By Austen Smith
and Erica McClain
Heritage Media

The Michigan State Police Post in Ypsilanti Township is one of more than 20 statewide posts to be shuttered as part of a new regional policing plan announced March 24.

In an official statement, Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, director of the Michigan State Police, said the new model is designed to provide increased services while relying less on traditional bricks and mortar post buildings. The plan emphasizes enhanced technology and data-driven policing.

State troopers will not be laid off as part of the new plan, which will help the state police meet a \$20.7 million general fund reduction slated for the state's 2012 fiscal year. Washtenaw County will be served out of the Brighton post starting in October, when the 21 buildings are scheduled to be closed.

Lt. Wynonia Sturdivant from the Ypsilanti post said the move will enhance police services for residents who live in the few townships served solely by state police. She said by combining the Ypsilanti and Brighton posts, they will have more troopers available, if necessary.

"The troopers are still in the communities that they were originally assigned," Sturdivant said Friday. "The only change is that, for instance, in Washtenaw County, instead of the Ypsi post being the home base for troopers, it's now the Brighton post, but the Washtenaw troopers stay in Washtenaw."

Troopers in Washtenaw County already have two detachments where they can work remotely by using computer, phone, fax and can interview subjects at Sylvan Township Hall or in Salem Township.

Sturdivant said she is confident they will be able to estab-

lish more detachments, allowing troopers to work from the Brighton post sparingly, mostly for paperwork.

"We have really good working relationships with several of the townships out here and I am very hopeful that we will be able to (set up more detachments)," Sturdivant said. "With that, the troopers will have structures in the community where they can meet people and get paperwork done, and things of that nature. If they have to go to Brighton, it may be just for administrative purposes."

As to what locations might be future homes for state police detachments, Sturdivant said she needs to do more research as to what areas, logistically, would best serve the community.

There are several townships in Washtenaw County that rely solely on state police service for public safety, including Sharon, Augusta, Freedom and Sylvan townships.

Robert Lange, supervisor for Sylvan Township, said Michigan State Police troopers have worked out of the township's hall since about 2000.

Lange said there are typically one to two troopers who work out of the hall, and they have an office and an interview room within the building.

"It's comforting to have them there," Lange said. "We're happy to have them there. I hope they stay."

Lange said he was unaware that the Ypsilanti post was closing and hoped it would not change service in his township. Thomas Lavender, a Sharon Township trustee, said he was slightly surprised to see the post closing in Ypsilanti.

"It's amazing to me, because Ypsi Township always keeps any police agency pretty busy," he said. "It's just so over the top for me."

He said the township, which receives police services from the post, hasn't had any issues regarding services and response time. But the closure may still prompt Lavender to bring the issue up to the township board of trustees.

"People are finding out that public services are very expensive. And how we're going to



The Ypsilanti Township state police post is one of 21 statewide that will be closing, as part of a new regional policing plan announced March 24.

handle that ... there's a lot of work to be done here," he said. "The decisions were made, and we weren't a part of it. Now we just have to wait and see what happens."

Trooper D.J. Obarski, who works out of the Sylvan Township detachment, said theoretically troopers will be able to use the location for reports and scheduling should the current plan be used.

Obarski said troopers also will be able to park their patrol cars at the township's parking lot, rather than drive a car out from the Brighton post, where troopers will be headquartered.

"The people aren't going to change, just the buildings," Obarski said.

Augusta Township is in a unique situation because it contracted for one deputy from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, but has been unable to pass a millage renewal to retain that deputy. It has relied on state police for the past two years.

Augusta Township Supervisor Pete Hafler said he has read that response times won't be affected by the closing, but he finds that hard to believe.

"If they are cutting all the posts, how do they expect for the run time to stay the same? If anything, it's going to be lon-

ger," Hafler said.

Hafler hopes the service remains the same, but said he'll "believe it when he sees it."

"I hope the response times remain somewhat the same, but that remains to be seen," he said.

Hafler said the township could be interested in establishing a detachment area for Augusta Township. He said that, personally, he thinks it would be great if a location could be established locally, but it would be left up to the board whether to pursue a partnership with the state police.

"We could maybe set one up at the fire department. Somewhere, somehow we could make the space. That would definitely help us," Hafler said.

With the closings, Sturdivant said the State Police agency is moving toward a regional policing concept, one in which it will rely less on boundaries. In her statement, Etue stated that Michigan is a much different state today than it was when the state police force was established. She said they will be able to utilize different technologies to make troopers' jobs more flexible.

"The MSP will implement technologies that provide a mobile office environment allowing troopers to perform many administrative duties

directly from their patrol cars," Etue said in the statement.

"This plan allows the MSP to be both more responsive to emerging crime trends and less constrained by traditional geographic boundaries."

As for Sturdivant, she has been reassigned to the Livingston and Washtenaw Narcotics Enforcement Team, or LAWNET, which is not a new venture for the 21-year veteran.

She said all state police troopers and administration will be working hard to implement the new regional policing plan while meeting significant budget cuts over the next several years.

"What we are doing is we are working very hard to keep a full-service police agency, despite the financial difficulties that the entire state is feeling," Sturdivant said. "We will continue to provide full police services to all of the citizens. We will make sure there is a seamless transition."

In addition to the Ypsilanti post, located at 1502 S. Huron St., other posts to be closed are Ithaca, Corunna, Adrian, Richmond, Groveland, Detroit, Bad Axe, Bridgeport, Gladwin, Bridgman, Battle Creek, Hastings, Newaygo, Traverse City, Cheboygan, Manistee, L'Anse, Stephenson, Munsing and Iron River.

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Box Car Derby raises money for ALS

Phi Delta Theta hosts event to fund research

By Carrie Henderson
Special Writer

Saturday's near-freezing temperatures couldn't chill the good spirits of the crowd, gathered for Ann Arbor's third annual Box Car Derby, hosted by fraternity Phi Delta Theta to benefit Ann Arbor Active Against ALS.

Nearly 100 children, some as young as 3 years old, participated in the event, which started at 10 a.m. and ended at about 2 p.m.

Fraternity brothers blocked off South University Street between Oxford and Washtenaw Avenue to create the race course. The street has a gentle slope promoting a slower speed, making it suitable for even the youngest kids.

The brothers took turns pushing the cars to get them started, and another group of fraternity members waited at the finish line to help the kids stop safely.

"It's like sledding without the snow," said David Lowenschuss, an Ann Arbor Active Against ALS board member.

Each team paid an entry fee of \$30, with all proceeds going to Ann Arbor Active Against ALS to fund research into ALS, or Lou Gehrig's disease. The

organization was founded in the fall of 2008, after a good friend and neighbor, Bob Schoeni, was diagnosed with ALS, Lowenschuss said.

"It was devastating," he said. "There currently is no cure or even an effective treatment for ALS. Pharmaceutical companies spend most of their money on Parkinson's and Alzheimer's, Lowenschuss said. Some 5,600 people are diagnosed with ALS annually, he said, and Michigan has the second highest rate per capita.

The partnership with Phi Delta Theta was a natural fit. Gehrig himself was a Phi Delta Theta brother during his time at Columbia University, and the fraternity prides itself on promoting research into the disease.

Peter DiLeo is the fraternity's liaison with the group.

"We're about brotherhood and helping the community," he said. "A big part of our mission statement is giving back."

Plus, he added, "It's a fun day for us. We get to hang out with the kids."

The fraternity made some of the cars used in the derby, and the kids and their parents crafted the rest. Cub Scout Pack 101 contributed four cars.

"We felt like that was a great service project," said Meg Wallace, committee chairwoman.

Bob Schoeni helped his two daughters, Maddie, 11, and Sophie, 13, build their car, complete with an attached stuffed penguin.



The Phi Delta Theta fraternity hosted its third annual Box Car Derby, which raises money for Ann Arbor Active Against ALS. The fraternity estimates that the event raised between \$4,000 and \$4,500 to fund research into ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

"It's a little chilly, but everybody's having a great time," he said of the derby. "It's great to have the kids and the families out here."

Brighton resident Mary Erdman didn't have children in the race, but came out to enjoy the camaraderie and fun.

"We're here to raise money for ALS. It's such a wonderful thing," she said. "It could be a little warmer, but it's for a good cause and, oh my goodness, it's so fun to watch the kids. They're just enjoying them-

selves immensely."

Phi Delta Theta provided a bounce house for the children during and after the race, and brothers were on hand to grill hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs and brats for the crowd.

Chips and soft drinks were provided, as well as hot beverages and baked goods, including homemade Twinkies.

DiLeo anticipated that the event would bring in \$4,000 to \$4,500. The group planned to donate Tigers' tickets to the

Cub Scout den that raised the most money.

First prize derby winner Jordan Parker, 12, built his own car and dedicated it to two family friends affected by ALS. This was his first year participating, and he said it won't be his last.

Lowenschuss summed things up well.

"It's an incredibly fun time," he said. "It's amazing to see the kids participate and everybody has a great time — the parents, the fraternity and the kids."

U of M Alumni Concert Band to add to ranks

Group hopes to grow in size for spring season

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

If you're a former Wolverine band member, the University of Michigan Band Alumni Association Concert Band would like to hear from you.

The group, formed in 2009, hopes to swell its ranks for its spring session, starting April 14.

"We especially need people who play bassoon, saxophone, percussion and trombone," said board member Linda Ridley of Dexter.

Anyone who played a band instrument for at least one semester in a U of M ensemble is encouraged to email UMBAAconcertband@umich.edu to find out more. No auditions are required.

Rehearsals are held 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in Ann Arbor, and the next concert is set for June 12 at Huron High School in Ann Arbor.

The band's fall session will run September through November.

UMBAA provides a place for U of M band alumni to make music and socialize, and gives service and financial support to U of M bands.

In the 2009-2010 school year, it awarded 32 partial scholarships.

Band members enjoy an annual "Blast from the Past" reunion at Homecoming, an annual golf outing and performing with the Alumni Pep Band at Michigan games and other events.

The conductor for the June 12 concert will be Langston Hemenway, a second-year doctoral student who has served as conductor for three previous concerts.

The concert's possible musical line up is "Summer Dances," by Balmages; "Pacific Fanfare," by Ticheli;

"Cenotaph," by Jack Stamp; "La Belle Helene," by Offenbach and Odum; "Ghost Train" or "October," by Eric Whitacre; "Bagatelles for Band" or "Psalm for Band," by Persichetti; "His Honor," by Filmore and Fennell; "Cityscape," by Boerma; Ron Nelson's "Courtly Airs and Dances"; and "Symphonic Dances from Fiddler on the Roof," arranged by Ira H. Earshen.

"It's a very tentative list of music," Ridley said. "If it isn't already in the School of Music, Theater and Dance library, we probably won't play it."

The band has attracted members from Ann Arbor, Dexter, Saline, Livonia, Brighton, Jackson, Highland, Canton, New Hudson, Detroit, Ypsilanti, Farmington, Williamston, Clawson, Walled Lake, Farmington Hills, Royal Oak, Clarkston, Whitmore Lake and West Bloomfield.

Ypsilanti resident Christine Booher, vice president of human resources for Busch's ValuLand in Saline, has played flute and piccolo since fourth grade and played all the way through college in various concert band and marching band ensembles.

The Farmington Hills native played in jazz band, pep band, marching band, symphony band and symphony orchestra in high school.

As a student at the University of Michigan, she played in the University of Michigan Marching Band, basketball band, hockey band and campus band.

After college, she was involved in teaching marching band programs at Milford and Plymouth-Canton schools until 2001.

"I didn't really play anymore regularly, but jumped at the chance to do so again when the alumni put together this band," she said.

"I've been involved in every session since the beginning two years ago.

"I enjoy the camaraderie and fun nature of the ensemble and the music we play together. We understand we represent the tradition of the Michigan bands as alumni.



The University of Michigan Alumni Concert Band is currently seeking new members to join its ranks. Anyone who played a band instrument for at least one semester in a U of M ensemble is encouraged to find more information. No auditions are required. The band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday, and its next concert is scheduled for June 12 at Ann Arbor Huron High School.

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government is up to. The news media obviously plays a vital role to keep government honest, transparent and open to the people, and the efforts of the Florida news media are to be commended.

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And in honor of Sunshine Sunday, a national Sunshine Week was officially born in 2005.

As taxpayers, you have the inherent right to know how your hard-earned dollars are spent. For many areas of our government, especially when it comes to the budget, it's difficult to find just how your tax money is used.

So why is there more "sunshine" emitting from Michigan's Capitol? We have redesigned our official state House website to give residents a vast amount of information about how we spend tax dollars in our individual offices. I certainly can't talk about the need for more government transparency without opening my office to public scrutiny. The new website can be accessed at <http://www.house.mi.gov>.

Links on the site allow residents to conveniently find out how the Legislature is allocating tax dollars, including the salaries and benefits that representatives and staff receive.

Making our state government more open and accessible to the people is incredibly important, especially as we continue our work to balance the budget. As a lawmaker, I want state government as a whole to be more transparent, so it's essential to lead by example and start making our financial records more easily accessible.

In addition to information about the House, committees and representatives, the site includes links to House TV, which provides live video streams of House session and committee meetings. It's a great way for people to stay up-to-date on issues and actions that may affect them.

Please don't hesitate to give me a call if you'd like information on the status of any budget proposal, or any piece of legislation for that matter.

Mark Ouimet is the state representative for the 52nd District. He can be reached toll-free at 1-855-627-5052 or markouimet@house.mi.gov.

OUR TAKE: Editorial Michigan needs to fix its roads

It's long overdue for the state Legislature to address our horribly deteriorating roads and bridges.

Yes, lawmakers have myriad other problems, such as balancing an out-of-control budget and eliminating the state's structural budget deficit.

But roads, more specifically, the potholed, barely patched and frequently dangerous roads and bridges need attention now. Anyone who has lived in Michigan for more than a few days and has traveled anywhere knows that the state's road system is a mess.

But if you want some facts to back up this statement, don't look any further than your fellow drivers.

The Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association reports that shaken drivers from across the state recently identified more than 650 potholes in just a two-week period.

Heritage Media has an online location to report crumbling roads and potholes. Visit www.Heritage.com and click on "See, Click, Fix."

The bottom line is that the transportation infrastructure is hurting Michigan's efforts to attract businesses and create jobs.

Without good roads and safe bridges, this state is literally going nowhere. And state and local drivers only will be headed to repair shops to fix

the damage done to their vehicles by the deteriorating highway system.

As our leaders struggle with the political ramifications of the governor's proposed budget, they might as well consider some type of a tax for road and bridge repair. And we're not talking about increasing the gasoline tax.

That is not a good source of road revenue anymore. People are driving less and so there's less money being raised.

For truly "shared sacrifice," as Gov. Rick Snyder is calling for, everyone should pay a little something because we all benefit from a good infrastructure.

We all get food from the supermarket that gets its supplies through trucking. Also, anyone who goes anywhere outside their home must go in some vehicle that utilizes our roads.

Generally, we've opposed tax increases because all they would have done is supported a failed operating system. But we need a small percentage tax — maybe 0.5 percent sales tax or 0.25 percent on income — to fix our highways.

The money must be placed in a road and bridge repair fund. It can't be placed in the general fund to be siphoned off for some other allegedly worthy cause.

And, if there's not enough money for construction of new roads, then at least fix the existing ones.

Also, if communities could find some transportation dollars, they may want to help out.

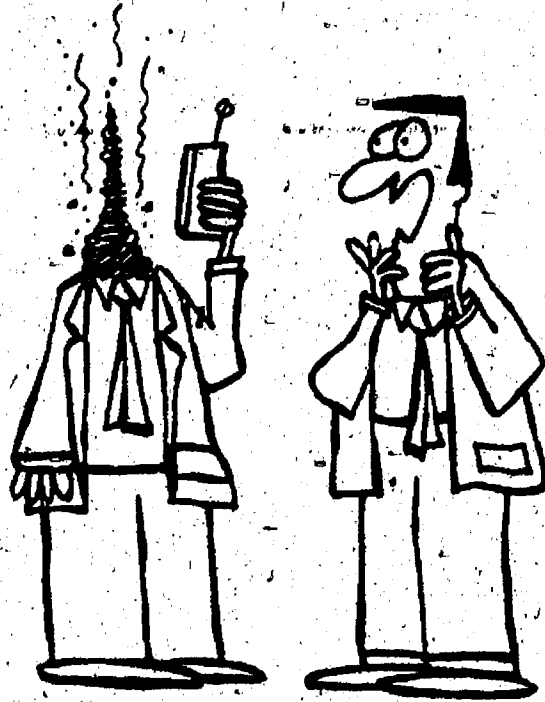
For example, Rochester Hills is trying to find money to pay half the cost to design two replacement bridges at Livernois and Avon roads. The Road Commission for Oakland County has requested some help to expedite the construction of the new bridges at the heavily traveled intersection. The city would have to kick in about half of the estimated \$545,000 cost.

Whether it's a minimal tax increase, garnering more federal grants or restructuring the state's current operating budget, Michigan needs to do something it hasn't done very well over the past decade — focus on our roads and find some funding solutions.

—Courtesy of The Oakland Press

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"I WARNED YOU ABOUT CELL PHONE RADIATION..."

Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

An embryo is a human and deserves respect

In the recent article, "The case for stem cells," in Heritage Media's Moving Forward Health and Well Being supplement, Dr. Ivan Maillard, a physician scientist at the University of Michigan who investigates stem cells states: "Research with human embryonic stem cells only uses fertilized eggs that would otherwise be discarded as medical waste. There is not a single embryo that is being taken for research that would not otherwise be thrown away essentially."

Earlier in the article, Sue O'Shea, director for the Consortium for Stem Cell Therapies at U of M, points out that none of the cells used in embryonic research have seen a human uterus.

The point that these two scientists seem to be making is that it is OK to be destroying human life as long as it would have been thrown away if not used for research or it would not have resulted in a viable pregnancy because it's never put into a uterus to grow.

I would like to offer your readers another perspective on these comments. I believe, as do many other Americans, including scientists, that human life begins at concep-

tion. Conception is the time when the sperm fertilizes the egg. Therefore, the "fertilized eggs" or "cells" referred to by Dr. Maillard and Ms. O'Shea are humans.

Sadly, the people of Michigan have sanctioned the destruction of human life when Proposition 2 passed in 2008. Infertility is a hard cross for couples to bear and I understand that they would want to pursue technology that would help them become parents. However, I wish the many parents who donate their "extra" embryos from IVF realize that they are giving away their own children for experimentation. If these "cells" had a few more months in a supportive uterine environment, we would call them a baby.

As a Christian, I believe that each of these children has a soul right at conception. Therefore, I have to protest when they are destroyed and the dignity of their human life is disregarded.

I also cannot condone "creating" embryos just for the purpose of harvesting their cells. This is morally equivalent to having a baby just to kill it to obtain its heart or lungs for transplant to another person.

As for the babies created through IVF, if parents have frozen embryos that would just

be discarded, we could give them a memorial and a decent burial, just as any baby that dies would receive. The fact that IVF creates "extra" children who might then be thrown away should give people pause to discern whether this practice itself should continue.

As embryonic stem cell research moves forward, we have to consider what will happen if major cures of various diseases and health issues are found that use these cells. A constant supply of these cells will be required and will have to come from more children being "created" by industry for the sole purpose of their destruction before they can live ex utero. Will all the women who donate eggs realize that they will have thousands of children that will have been killed before they could ever know them? What about the men who donate sperm — will they realize that they fathered thousands of their own children whose lives ended without their consent?

As a society, we need to pursue the care of our sick, but it should not be at the expense of killing other members of our society.

The article seems to suggest that all we Americans need is more education on this issue and then we will be

happy to support embryonic stem cell research with no strings attached. I suggest that some Americans do need more education — they need to understand that an embryo is a human whose life deserves to be respected like all other humans.

Mary Jo Davis
Saline

Reader disputes what outdoor columnist says

I am very disappointed in the outdoors column that appeared March 17 in Heritage Media. Facts again have taken a back seat to someone's agenda.

I was enjoying the piece until we got to the final column and were told that if you defend yourself or your family and kill an assailant, you will automatically be charged with murder by the State Police. No due process, no investigation. I find this very hard to believe.

I have a CPL and have taken the classes. I recall them being very thorough and very intense. I don't recall being told I would be automatically arrested for murder by the State Police if I defended myself.

I, unlike columnist Rick Taylor, chose to get my CPL and

stand ready to defend myself or others in our community should the need arise. Maybe the article was not represented correctly, because the photo shows some guys enjoying the sport of target shooting.

I am disappointed that this article may deter someone from expressing his or her legal right in the state of Michigan of getting their CPL.

Mike Davis
Saline

Remind Ouimet that we're a democracy

I am writing to express my grave concerns about the recent actions of Gov. Rick Snyder and State Rep. Mark Ouimet. The Michigan House and Senate recently passed what is known as the Emergency Manager Bill. This bill will allow the governor to appoint any person he chooses to manage any city, township or public school district that he deems fiscally unsound or irresponsible.

It's critical that readers understand that this bill completely strips our rights as voters because this manager can fire our mayors, school board members, city clerks and anyone else we elected. This person can also nullify contracts that school board members

and city officials make with its police officers, teachers, firefighters and others.

In this area, our cities and schools are comparably in great shape. What, therefore, do we have to worry about? It is this: The governor's proposed budget drastically cuts funding to the very institutions listed above. If his budget passes, more communities and school districts won't have enough to stay afloat, including here, in the Ann Arbor area. The solution? Appoint an emergency manager. This is the one-two punch. Ouimet voted for this bill. He also voted against a proposed salary cap of more than \$150,000 for any emergency manager. He voted against democracy, and in favor of oligarchy government in the hands of a wealthy few. It's a sad irony that our votes were good enough to elect Ouimet and Snyder, but not good enough for our school board members or mayors.

Contact Ouimet. Remind him that the United States is a democracy, and tell him he won't be re-elected continuing in this manner. Tell him to stop aligning himself with a governor who has no regard for constitutional values because his career depends on it.

Kathryn McCalla
Ann Arbor



The robotics team visited Skyline High School to compete in its second district competition of the season, where it received a safety award. The team will travel to St. Louis, Mo., to compete in the FIRST nationals.

Robotics team advances

Last weekend, the CHS robotics team traveled to Skyline High School to compete in the second district competition of the season. The team received a safety award for its extensive and unique safety preparedness and had an overall good time.

The team experienced some technical difficulties though and so going into alliance selection were ranked 24 out of 40 and were not chosen by any of the top eight teams. The team will be traveling to St. Louis, Mo. on April 24 to compete in the

nationals. The team would like to thank their sponsors including the Chrysler Foundation, Chelsea Tool, Mike's Home repair, and Alro for their continued support.

School board projects losses for next year

By Crystal Hayduk
Special Writer

Teresa Zigman, executive director of finance, compared details of Gov. Rick Snyder's and the Senate's budget plans in a presentation at the Chelsea School District Board of Education's work session on Monday.

While the Senate's plan may spare more funding locally, Superintendent David Killips reported that Snyder has said he will reject it.

The House will also propose a budget, and then all three will attempt to come to an agreement. Killips said that the state's June 1 deadline is "ambitious."

Zigman said that although the two-year budget projection that is expected from the state this year can be helpful for local planning, repeated financial changes make it difficult to look ahead and "know what we can do."

Zigman projected the district's fund equity to be \$5.4 million in June. Based on current estimates, the district may expect approximate net losses of \$1.3 million for the 2011-2012 school year, and another \$1.6 million for 2012-2013.

Board discusses district goals

Board members agreed that increasing individual student achievement was the district's number one priority. Discussion ensued regarding the difference between performances on standardized tests versus meaningful learning that contributes to life success.

Board President Steve Olsen said that the goal regarding safe schools is becoming harder to maintain with advancing

technology, since access to posting hurtful photos, videos and remarks on the Internet is prevalent.

Trustee Jeff Crowder suggested that the word "maintain" seemed passive.

Trustee Scott Broshar suggested the more active word "enhance." The board agreed that the goal become "enhance a positive and safe school climate."

There were no changes suggested to the district goal to maintain fiscal responsibility.

The final goal discussed was "to promote interaction between school district and our communities."

The board defined communities as including a number of groups, including but not limited to employees and students, parents, and citizens of the district.

Crowder noted that "interaction" involves both giving and receiving communication.

Board members discussed the various ways that people receive information and agreed with Board Vice President Laurel McDevitt that this goal will be a continuous work-in-progress.

During public input, Jon Bentley asked the board to reconsider revising Policy 1130 (conflict of interest). The revised policy would prevent employees with administrative contracts from also being employed by the District as a coach, adviser or for any duties associated with co-curricular or extra-curricular activities. Bentley suggested that an administrator who cannot perform additional duties is more a performance issue rather than a conflict of interest.

Olsen responded that part of the reason for the change is due to the chain of command, citing the inability to have an employ-

ee report to him or herself. McDevitt said that administrators with additional responsibility would prevent them from fully performing their administrative duties, thus placing undue burdens on other administrators. The policy revision passed 6-1.

Upcoming:

There will be a public forum on the special education renewal millage 8:30 a.m. April 12 and 7 p.m. April 14 at the Washington Street Education Center.

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Chelsea Community Hospital Auxiliary is again providing scholarships for qualified area students pursuing a career in health care.

To qualify, applicants must be enrolled full time in a health career program for which certification is given or a degree is granted, and must be a resident of Chelsea, Manchester, Dexter, Pinckney, Grass Lake, Stockbridge or Gregory. High school seniors or

adult students may apply. Scholarship awards are based on academic achievement, community involvement and sincere interest in higher education in the health care field.

Applications may be picked up at the Information Desk inside the Hospital's Main Entrance from 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday, or will be mailed upon request. The application deadline is Monday, May 9. Personal interviews of

the most qualified candidates will be conducted on Friday May 20. This is mandatory.

These scholarships are funded from Auxiliary projects. For more information or to request an application, please call the Chelsea Community Hospital Auxiliary Office at 734-475-3913. Please return your applications to Chelsea Community Hospital Auxiliary Department to the attention of Nancy Harvey, counselor.

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Travel and technology in today's society

By Angie Favot
Heritage Media

Michiganders don't have to worry about digging into the glove box and pulling out that bulky, overly folded state map for tips on getting around any more.

With social media, mobile phone apps and detailed tips just a click away, travel has totally transformed to high tech.

Here's a look at what's new in technology and travel.

Tech trek by land and air Michigan's Department of Transportation uses social media to share the latest on travel.

MDOT has a Twitter page with more than 4,200 followers and a Facebook page with more than 2,000 followers. News releases and individual posts about traffic conditions, road conditions, incident reports and other safety-related messages are posted there.

They also produce video news releases and informational videos on topics like: how to drive a roundabout, flashing yellow traffic signals and why drivers should leave room for snow plows.

The videos are then posted on MDOT's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/MichiganDOT.

MDOT also recommends its website, www.michigan.gov/drive.

"The Drive site features an interactive map for getting construction lane closures and incident reports on state trunklines maintained by MDOT," MDOT Communications Manager Barbara Hicks said.

The site also has real-time camera views for metropolitan Detroit and Grand Rapids, and road camera views for the Upper Peninsula.

"Over time, more cameras in other locations will be added as they come online," Hicks said.

The site was launched in 2007, and a new and improved version has been released each year.

"We are currently developing new functionality for mobile devices, including a usable map with lane closure, traffic incidents, speed data and camera images," Hicks said.

MDOT plans to enable motorists to register to receive e-mail notifications or traffic incidents that could impact their daily commutes.

"We are scheduled to make the mobile version of the Drive site available this spring," Hicks said. "The mobile site is in development right now and will undergo user testing in a few weeks."

AAA insurance company recently launched a free mobile app for Android, a mobile operating system that helps customers who need roadside assistance.

The app utilizes the phone's navigation system to transmit the location directly to AAA Roadside Assistance.

"AAA is committed to developing new and innovative ways to better meet the needs of its members," said Marshall Doney, vice president, AAA Automotive and Financial Services.

"Breakdowns are never a pleasant experience, but mobile offerings such as the AAA Roadside

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app can help AAA locate members quickly and be prepared to try to resolve their car trouble onsite so we can get them back on the go."

The AAA Roadside app debuted in 2009 with an iPhone-compatible version.

Through the app, AAA members also can register up to eight vehicles to their app profile, which is sent automatically with roadside assistance requests to aid AAA's roadside problem-solvers in quickly locating members in need of rescue.

Additionally, the app enables users to locate nearby AAA-approved auto repair facilities should their car trouble require a tow to a repair shop, and they are in need of recommendations on where to go.

AAA TripTik Mobile, available for iPhone, provides AAA's mapping and travel planning tools on a phone in addition to being the first free app to offer updated gas prices at stations near the user's location.

Also, anyone can go to the AAA website and log onto the fuel price finder to see gas prices.

AAA Michigan spokeswoman Nancy Cain said the company's fuel price finder is one of the most popular technical services the insurer provides.

"This is a great help for anyone who travels," Cain said. "It includes more than 100,000 gas stations nationwide."

New media isn't used only in road travel.

Scott Wintner of the Wayne County Airport Authority's public affairs office said that although Detroit Metropolitan Airport is in a rebuilding year, its website, www.MetroAirport.com, includes several helpful links for travelers on the go.

The airport's Facebook page, www.Facebook.com/FlyDTW, and its Twitter page, @DTweetin, offer photos and information about the airport.

Metro also has a YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/FlyDTW that offers videos of events at the airport and a tour of a parking structure.

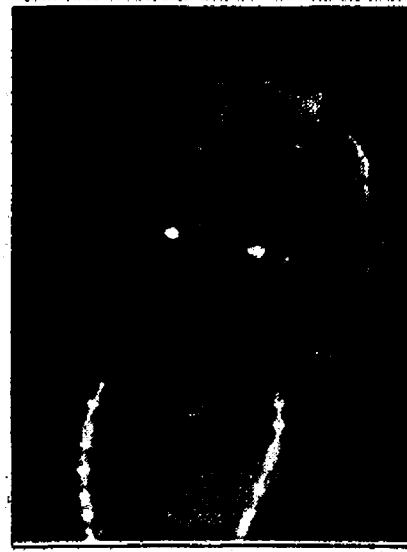
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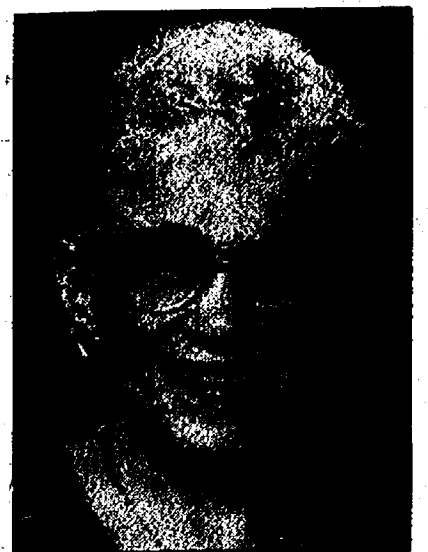
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PAGLIARINI, JOSEPHINE; of Chelsea, MI; age 72; passed away Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at her home surrounded by her family. She was born April 26, 1938 in Ramey, PA, the daughter of Michael and Anna (Valcie) Adameik. Jo was a long time member of St. Mary Catholic Church. She loved the game of golf, and Inverness Country Club. She also enjoyed bowling, growing flowers, dancing, and going for walks, and enjoyed the companionship of her dog, Bella. Jo was a loving mother and grandmother. She is survived by her children, Dan (Nancy) Pagliarini of Chelsea and Doug (Cheryl) Pagliarini of Chelsea; along with her grandchildren, Kellyn; Robbie, Krista, Samantha Jo and Stephen Hunert; also surviving are her siblings, Lenard (Robin) Adameik of NJ, Margaret Flango of Ramey, PA, Ann (Richard) O'Dell of Livonia, Millie Kloss of Livonia, Dorothy Puksta of Lansing, and Eilenor (John) Finch of Livonia. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Eugene Pagliarini; her parents; sister-in-law, Theresa Topic; and brother-in-law, Mitchell Puksta. Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, March 28, 2011 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Dr. William J. Turner officiating. The family will receive friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Sunday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 7:30 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:30 p.m. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Arbor Hospice Foundation or the Alzheimer's Association.

ALPERT, LUCILLE SPENCER; Chelsea, Michigan; age 89; went to be with her Savior, Jesus, on Tuesday, March 22, 2011; she was born December 3, 1921; in Frazeyburg, Ohio. Her family lived in Zanesville, OH, then moved to Texas and Minnesota in search of work. Lucy attended Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA and worked as a secretary until her marriage. She met Simon Alpert in Toledo, OH, and they were married on August 3, 1946. Lucy had a lovely singing voice, singing in her church choirs for many years. She also taught piano, organ, and voice. Lucy loved the Lord and was born again in the 5th grade. She was a member of Chelsea Free Methodist Church. Lucy enjoyed traveling to many places, such as Israel, Japan, Europe, Hawaii, Alaska and Mexico. She loved cats and was foster mother to seven feral cats and an opossum named Lucy. She is survived by three children, Lawrence (Susan) Alpert of Owosso, MI, Deborah Alpert (William) Sleight of Williamston, MI, and Rebecca Alpert (Donald) House of Chelsea; seven grandchildren, Daniel (Kendra) Alpert, Brian (Kim) Alpert, Christopher (Ashley) House, Anna House (Brian) Mote, Leah House, Alan Sleight and Emily Sleight; three great-grandchildren, Jaden, Jackson, and Avalie House; and several nieces, nephews, and their children. Her husband of 55 years, Simon Alpert, preceded her in death on April 25, 2002; she was also preceded in death by her two older brothers, Homer and Edward; and her identical twin sister, Martha. A Memorial Service was held Tuesday, March 29, at Chelsea Free Methodist Church, with Rev. Jeff Ford and Rev. Mearl Bradley officiating. Internment will be at Cycadia Cemetery, Tarpon Springs, FL.

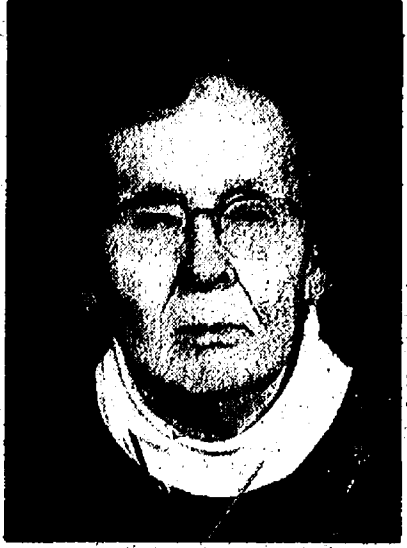
HENRICKS, RUBY; of Chelsea, MI; age 85; passed away March 24, 2011. A private burial was held at Oak Grove Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy can be made to Chelsea Community Hospital. Arrangements by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home.



SPEARS, PHYLLIS LeCLAIR; Ypsilanti, MI; age 105; a lover of life, passed away peacefully Wednesday, March 23, 2011; at the Huron Woods Residential facility at the St. Joseph Hospital campus in Ypsilanti, where she was given wonderful care the last decade of her life. Born Felcete LeClair on March 7, 1906 in Florence, WI, Phyllis was the eleventh child of Alfred and Mary (St. Onge) LeClair. She graduated from Stambaugh High School in 1924. In 1928, she married Ruel Kimlin in Gaastra, MI, where they had four children. At the outbreak of World War II, and then a single mother, Phyllis took her four children and moved to Ypsilanti, MI, where she found work as a riveter at the Willow Run bomber plant. After the war, she enjoyed a rewarding career at Ypsilanti State Hospital, where she worked in food service for over two decades. During that time, she met and married the love of her life, Leonard Hollis, who became grandpa to her many grandchildren and a beloved stepfather to her children. Several years after his passing and five years into her retirement, she met and married Harold Spears in 1973 and moved to Milan, MI, where the two enjoyed many years of community involvement. An avid lifetime bowler, Phyllis also loved attending dances, Detroit Tiger ballgames, and events at the Milan Senior Center. She was often featured in the Milan News-Leader for her contributions to the senior Rock-A-Thon fundraising events and participation in the local parades. Forever grateful for her strength of character and wisdom are her surviving sons, Jerry (Nell) Kimlin and Bill Kimlin; daughter, Nancy Roberts; daughter-in-law, Joanne Kimlin; son-in-law, Don (Maurine) Edwards; and three generations of grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husbands, son, Kenneth Kimlin; grandson, Kenneth Roberts; great grandsons, Chris Brown and Benjamin Heiney; and recently, son-in-law, James Roberts. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Philip (Agnes), David (Mary), Clarence (Lois) and Clyde (Lena) LeClair; and her sisters, Delia, Louise (Bertel) Taff, Anna (Jalmer) Johnson Daley, Della (Peter) Fenlon, Lillian (Ed) Gallup, Blanche (Paul) Jacobson and Bernadette (Norris) Dunk. The Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at Holy Trinity Chapel, 511 W. Forest Avenue, Ypsilanti. Burial will follow in Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial considerations be given to Huron Woods Residential facility at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Envelopes are available at the church where the visitation will be from 10 a.m. until Time of Mass Tuesday. Arrangements handled through Stark Funeral Service. Please sign her guest book at www.starkfuneral.com



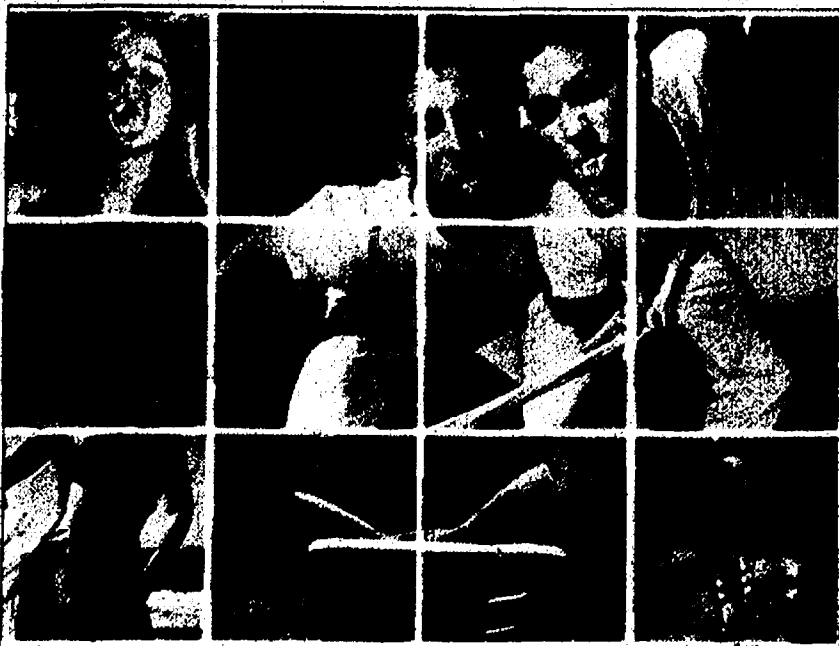
CRIM, DOROTHY (Dottie) H.; Saline, MI; age 82; died Thursday, March 3, 2011, of complications of Alzheimer's disease. A Memorial Service and Celebration of Dottie's Life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 9, 2011 at First United Methodist Church in Saline. To sign Dorothy's guestbook or to leave a memory visit <http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/annarbor/> or for more information or directions please visit www.rbfhsalaine.com



GABLE, RUTH L.; Saline, Michigan; age 95; died Saturday, March 26, 2011; at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan; she was born August 24, 1915 on the farm in Milan, Michigan. The daughter of Daniel and Edna (McCarthy) Murray. On August 24, 1934 she married Jack Gable and he preceded her in death on April 15, 1990. She was a member of Milan Baptist Church. She enjoyed quilting, crocheting and cross word puzzles. Survivors include three sons, David (Mary) of Ypsilanti and Kenneth (Patricia) of Saline; 11 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; one sister Ila White; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by one son Daniel; brother Don and sister Helen Stienke. Visitation will be Tuesday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home, Milan and from 9:30 a.m. until Time of Service at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 30 at Milan Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Marble Park Cemetery. Contributions may be made in her memory to Camp Barakel, Milan Baptist Church or St. Joseph Mercy Hospice. www.ochalekstark.com

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Kids Helping Kids Against Hunger



More than 200 volunteers got together March 12 with Kids Against Hunger at St. Paul Lutheran School in Ann Arbor to package 20,682 meals in just three hours. Gretchen Penhallengon, a member of St. Paul church, organized the event, which was made possible with funds raised at the church and a match from Thrivent Financial.

Kids Against Hunger is a humanitarian food-aid organization whose mission is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the United States and to feed starving children throughout the world.

David Foster, satellite director in Mount Pleasant for Kids Against Hunger, explained to the volunteers that one-third of the meals stay local, one-third goes to Third World countries, and the remaining third is held for natural disasters in the United States. Each 13.8-ounce meal includes soy, vegetables, chicken and rice.

Many different groups were represented in the effort. St. Paul Church members, St. Paul School families, the St. Paul Youth Group, Milan Boy Scout Troop 449, Bryant Tigers Soccer Team, Saline High School National Honor Society, Dexter Methodist Ladies Bible Study, and students from Pioneer High School government class were among them.



Marie Siller and Leigh Hoffmann stop packaging for a quick smile March 12 as more than 200 volunteers got together to aid Kids Against Hunger.



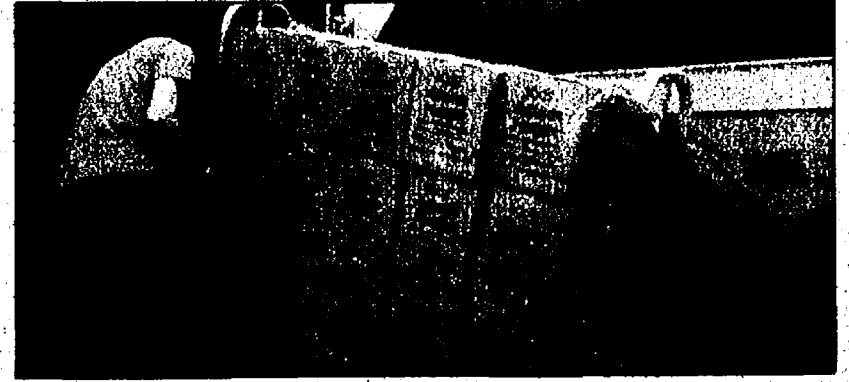
Members of the Bryant Soccer Team and their families helped the organization.



St. Paul school alumni Hannah Bates and Kelsey Kruger participate and receive credit in their government class at Pioneer High School for volunteering with Kids Against Hunger.



Jeremy Seeman, a member of Saline High School's National Honor Society, packs meals in boxes for Kids Against Hunger.



Mark Menge of Ann Arbor helps load a trailer full of packaged meals.



The St. Paul Lutheran Church Youth Group was in full force March 12 for the volunteer effort.

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Imposter posing as utility worker targeted elderly woman

Chelsea police are warning residents to beware of a man who posed as a utility worker and ripped off an elderly resident last week.

Officers were called to the 6000 block of Sibley Road on March 23 for a reported larceny and learned the victim was home alone when the faux utility worker knocked on the door at about 6 p.m., police reports said.

The man wore a yellow hard hat and had an orange vest customary for utility workers to wear while in the field. He said he was with the city's water department and needed to inspect certain pipes within the home.

Once inside, he stole cash from the victim's purse, reports said.

The victim, whose exact age was not available, told police she did not realize the undisclosed amount of money was missing until after the imposter left.

He drove away in a white sports utility vehicle, possibly a Chevrolet Tahoe, reports said.

The man is described as white, and between 25 and 35 years old. He is between 5-feet-2 inches and 5-feet-5 inches tall with a medium build.

Authorities could not say he is also tied to a similar incident in the city reported on March 17, but they are checking into it.

The department issued a warning along with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department about the incident.

Both departments encourage residents to call police immediately if they notice similar suspicious activity

and try to obtain a vehicle and license plate description without endangering themselves.

Anyone with information is asked to call the department at 734-475-9122.

Martial arts instructor convicted for sexual assault

The former martial arts instructor accused of sexually assaulting multiple students and possessing child pornography has entered into a plea deal with prosecutors.

Edward James Bruner, 58, pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct against a child under 13 years of age at a pre-trial hearing last week, court records show.

He also pleaded guilty to one count of possessing child sexually abusive material.

He will be sentenced May 3 to between 20 and 30 years in prison under an agreement with Washtenaw County Circuit Judge Donald Shelton.

The Scio Township resident was arrested in January by Michigan State Police troopers who responded to an incident involving a 12-year-old boy along I-94 near Chelsea.

A second victim, now 19, came forward to police after Bruner's arrest was publicized and accused the taekwon do instructor of a sexual assault incident in 2004.

Bruner taught at three area studios in the past 20 years - Ann Arbor West Tae Kwon Do, the now-defunct Victory TKD in Chelsea and most recently at Kitchi Tae Kwon Do in Dexter Township.

He is represented by the office of Washtenaw County public defender Lloyd Powell, who said he doesn't comment on pending cases.

Bruner remains in custody at the Washtenaw County Jail without bond pending sentencing.

Trench box missing from city storage building

Chelsea police are investigating the theft of a valuable construction tool from a city storage facility.

City officials notified police after discovering that a trench box was taken from the storage building in the 100 block of Buchanan Street on March 22, reports said.

The trench box, which is used to shore up walls in deep trenches or holes in the earth while people work in them, is valued at roughly \$5,000.

Authorities said the crime likely occurred sometime between Jan 1 and March 21. No suspect descriptions were available. Anyone with information is asked to call the department at 734-475-9122.

Compiled by freelance journalist Art Aisner. He can be reached by e-mail at aaisner@comcast.net.

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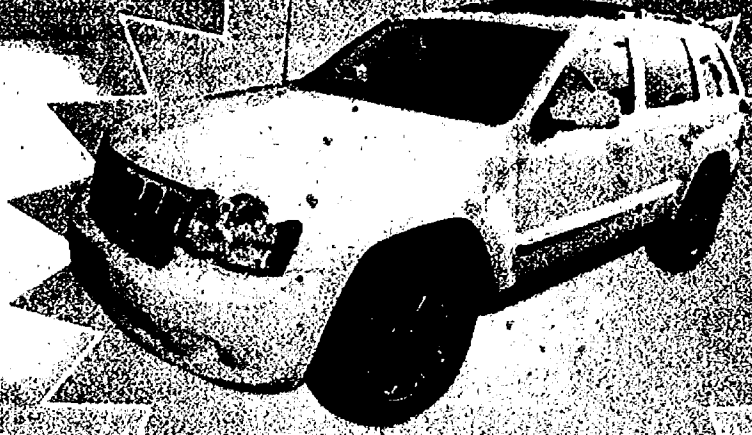
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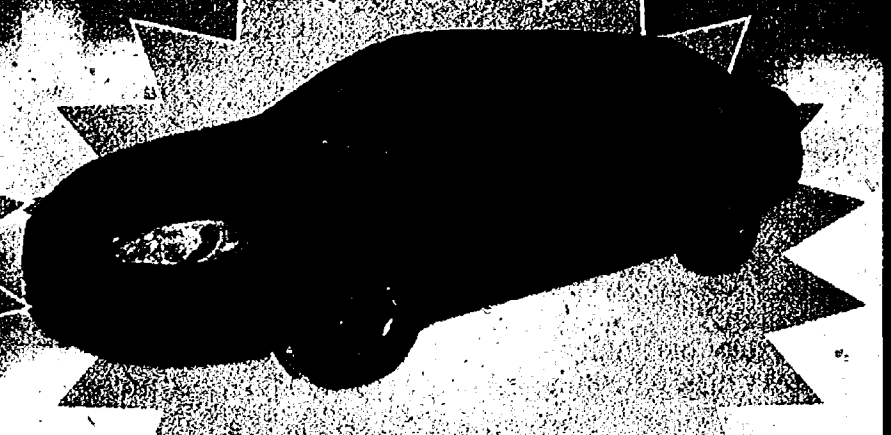
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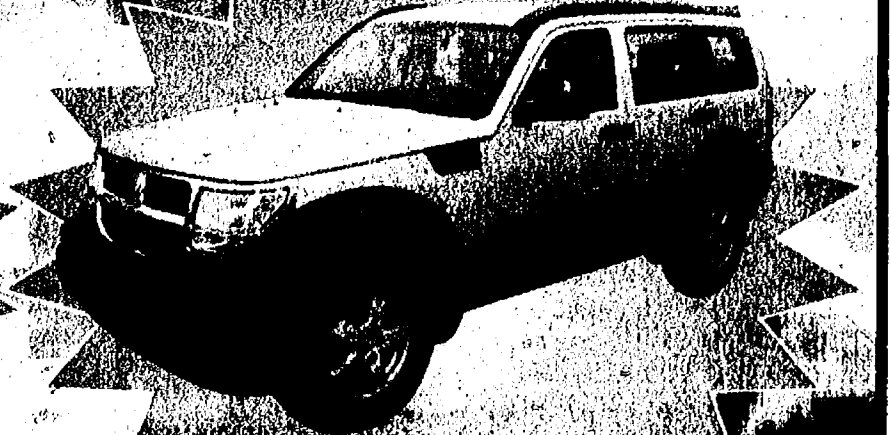
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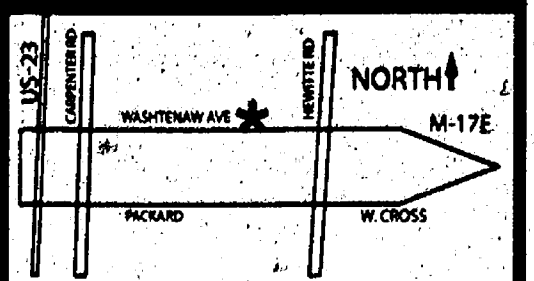
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Dexter District Library offers plethora of programs

The month of April will be a busy time at Dexter District Library with an assortment of programs planned for the entire family.

On Saturday, April 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. the Friends of the Dexter District Library will once again host their monthly Used Book Sale.

The book sales offer a variety of materials including picture books and young readers, mystery, science fiction, horror, romance, general fiction, nonfiction and much more. Prices range from 25 cents for paperback to \$1 for hardcover books. All proceeds go back into the library.

The Dexter Community Orchestra will be returning to the Library in April for its chamber music series. On Sunday, April 3 and Sunday,

April 10 stop by the lower level meeting room between 2 and 3 p.m. and enjoy a selection of live chamber music. The large meeting room allows musicians the opportunity to play works for smaller ensembles, which they are not able to play during the orchestra's main season concerts.

Musicians organize their own groups, choose their own music and rehearse it themselves. The performances are free and everyone is welcome.

Monday, April 4 at 1 p.m. library-goers will have the chance to meet graphic novel author and artist Mark Crilley, creator of "Brody's Ghost" and the Akiko and Miki Falls series. The program is limited to children in third grade and up and registration is required.

Mark Crilley will entertain

kids with his sense of humor and high level of enthusiasm about his work.

Participants will also have an opportunity to enter a contest to win one of Mark's books.

Teens can come enjoy an afternoon of Star Wars at the library. At 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 the library will be showing "Star Wars V: The Empire Strikes Back" on the big screen, followed by a Trivia Contest for teens in sixth to 12th grade.

Snacks will be served during the movie. Another movie event for all ages is scheduled for Wednesday, April 6 at 11 a.m. The library will be showing "Tangled," rated PG, and serving popcorn throughout the movie.

On Thursday, April 7 at 1 p.m. teens and tweens in fifth grade and up will have an opportunity

to make an altered journal for themselves. Get inspired using scrapbooking and collage techniques to change ordinary notebooks into unique, personalized journals. Refreshments will be served and a chance to enter a drawing for some cool prizes.

Pippin Puppets will be coming back to the library. On Friday, April 8 at 11 a.m. Bunny Funnies will be here with plenty of laughter for kids of all ages. Join us for a crazy bunny adventure with professional puppeteer Robert Papineau, an audience favorite. Refreshments will be served following the performance.

Drop-In Reading Story Time is back this year with a brand new batch of baby farm animals. At 11 a.m. Children's librarian Cathy Jurich will read a variety of books, sing songs, and use

flannelboard and fingerplays to teach children about all the wonderful things that happen in the spring. Following Story Time, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Carousel Acres will visit with a variety of live baby farm animals for the children to feed and pet. This program is for children ages 6 and under, but everyone is invited to attend.

Our two children's book clubs will be back again in April. Super Stories for Kindergarten to second grade will meet on Wednesday, April 20 at 4:30 p.m. Have some fun with Knuffle Bunny based on the books by Mo Willems. There will be a craft and refreshments served during the program and registration is required.

On Wednesday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m. Book Snackers for

third through fifth-graders will meet to celebrate April is Poetry Month. Children are asked to select their favorite poetry book or children's novel written in verse and share it with the group. Snacks will follow the program and registration is required.

On Friday, April 22 at 11 a.m. the library will have another Family Movie & Popcorn Afternoon for all ages. The library will be showing "The Easter Bunny is Coming to Town," narrated by Fred Astaire.

All library events are free and open to everyone. The Dexter District Library is located at 3255 Alpine St. in Dexter. For further information, please call the library at 426-4477 or visit our website at www.dexter.lib.mi.us.

Scouts aids FIA for Eagle merit

In the Dexter/Chelsea area, the local not-for-profit Faith in Action has seen a significant increase in the demand for food and household supplies. As a result, they needed more room to collect, organize, store and distribute the basics to help struggling families and individuals on a week-to-week basis.

In Dexter, Faith in Action has a satellite office at 2922 Baker Road, located just behind the new location of the Dexter Pharmacy. To meet the growing demand, Faith in Action decided to lease a 10-by-8 foot room to expand their operations, but they needed to clean, repair and paint the room, and then build new shelving units and stock them to accommodate the influx of donated supplies.

"We are not-for-profit organization, and we rely on the com-

mitment and dedication of local volunteers to fulfill our mission," said Nancy Paul, director of Faith in Action. "When I was contacted by Troop 448 of Dexter saying they were looking for winter indoor projects for some of their Eagle Scout candidates, I thought there might be a good fit."

When he heard of this opportunity, Troop 448 Scout Deema Yuhasz saw the needs of Faith in Action as ideal his Eagle project.

"I needed to complete my Eagle project before my 18th birthday," said Deema, who had about four months left to complete his goal. "The Eagle project takes a long time, and it was November and I needed to be done by April 1."

Tim Lomax, Troop 448 Scoutmaster said attaining the

Eagle rank in Boy Scouts is a very challenging task.

"All told, for every 100 boys who join the scouting program, only four actually earn the Eagle rank," Lomax said. "It is quite an accomplishment."

After all of the preparatory phases and approvals, Deema needed to raise over \$400 for supplies to get the project completed.

"Our neighbors and family helped me raise some of the funds, and Hackney Hardware was very generous," Deema said. "I even had some money left over that I was able to donate to Faith in Action so they could purchase some more canned food."

With donations and supplies in hand, Deema was able to purchase the shelving units and then organize his work crew.

Over the course of a couple of weekends, the room was transformed from an un-organized holding area into a freshly painted and well-organized food bank.

"We were really pleased with what Deema accomplished for our organization," Paul said. "The new room provides an important staging area we need to handle the growing demand for our services. We have many more projects like this that we could use some assistance on, so hopefully there will be more Eagle scouts like Deema who will be able to help us out in the future."

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Pediatrician works to improve health

By Teri Banas
Guest Writer

Andrew Hashikawa, a University of Michigan emergency room doctor specializing in pediatrics, hopes to affect the way child care centers deal with sick children in his new role as American Academy of Pediatrics' child care health expert.

Hashikawa said he had often been perplexed by the number of parents who brought their preschool children with symptoms of the common cold to the emergency department in the middle of the night.

"The kids looked great, other than some pink eye, for example. So, I'd ask the parents, 'Why are you here?'" Hashikawa said in a news release.

The answers revealed another layer of family woes. Parents said they could risk losing their jobs if they took too many days off to stay home with a sick child.

What they needed from the hospital visit was a "doctor's note" permitting their children back to their daily child-care home or center.

"I saw this dynamic... and that's when I became interested in child care environments and health outcomes," said Hashikawa, who was previously a fellow and instructor in pediatric emergency medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.

Today, Hashikawa, 34, a resident of Dexter, is the newly named American Academy of Pediatrics' child care health expert and contact person in Michigan.

Hashikawa was an undergraduate of the University of Michigan - Flint and attended medical school at the Mayo Clinic, studying under Dr. Young J. Juhn, a mentor and renowned pediatric expert in childhood asthma and the impact of socioeconomic environments on health outcomes.

As part of his new role with the AAP, Hashikawa will serve as a resource and consultant in education and training to child care providers statewide, while connecting the academy with everyday local child care leaders and directors across Michigan.

More than two-thirds of children under 5 in the United States — 19 to 20 million — spent some portion of their days in child-care with someone other than a parent, Hashikawa said.

"These providers see kids with asthma; they see kids with allergies; they see kids with a lot of different illnesses. At the end of the day, we need to provide them with some sort of training whether on line or in-person," Hashikawa said.

Hashikawa said there are too many instances when children are sent home too quickly for mild illnesses.

"There's good science that shows just because you have a runny nose, you don't need to go home. The damage (spread of infection) has been done," he said.

If a child has a cold, pink eye, a stomach illness or even a fungal infection like ringworm, he said, they've been contagious for at least several days before the symptoms are evident.

Sending children home at this point eventually places a burden on working families, especially, single-parents, low-income parents and the working poor.

The AAP and the American Public Health Association have developed national guidelines to help child care directors safely determine when children with mild illnesses can remain in child care and when they should not.

To educate child care providers and directors about these and other health issues, the AAP created an educational curriculum that Hashikawa plans to use at training sessions around Michigan.

"Absent clear guidelines, directors often make decisions about illnesses that are based on personal experience and with their own children. But what would be optimal is if we could get them a set of guidelines they could use and provide resources that can help them make decisions to make sure they have a healthy environment on child care," he added.

While programs exist to inform child care workers in some safety areas, such as "Back to Sleep" practices, blood-borne pathogens and CPR, more education is needed in common childhood illnesses such

as asthma and allergies, for instance, Hashikawa said.

"Can we help parents out, and can we make kids healthier at child care?" he asked.

The academy first came up with national guidelines for the health and safety of children in early education and health care in 1992. Those were revised in 2002 and again this year.

Hashikawa will introduce the curriculum on infectious diseases and childhood illnesses and how to manage them in early education and child care on April 16 at the annual Building on Behalf of Children Conference in the Eastern Michigan University Student Center in Ypsilanti.

He said he hopes to tweak the curriculum after hearing from providers at events like this one.

The conference is sponsored by Child Care Network, the Ann Arbor-based agency that houses the Great Start Regional Child Care Resource Center for Southeast Michigan. Both are headed up by Executive Director Pam Smith.

Smith said she is excited to be working with Hashikawa.

"Child care directors have to wear so many hats — educa-

tor, business office manager, cook, maintenance, even nurse. Having the training to increase that skill set will make them and the parents more comfortable when dealing with sick children," she said.

Smith said improving the health and safety of child care settings is critical to improving the overall quality of care for children in Michigan.

"It is exactly the right initiative at the right time," she said of Hashikawa's support.

"Health and safety in group settings is the foundation for a great growing and learning experience," Smith added.

"Directors and child care centers want to do what is right for the child and the family. That is their priority. Having expert advice increases their knowledge base and helps them to make the right call."

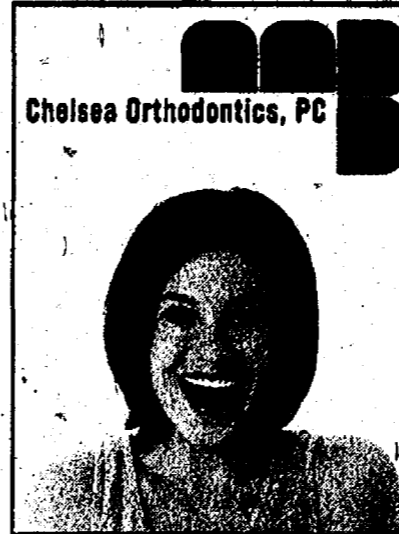
Karen Roback, the director of the Great Start Child Care Quality Program, said center directors in Michigan do receive guidelines on health issues from their county health departments, which receive recommended practices from the Centers for Disease Control.

Roback, however, welcomed

the opportunity to work with AAP pediatric doctors, as well.

"This opportunity has the potential to initiate and set the foundation for future partnerships between pediatric health and early learning and care settings," Roback said.

Eventually, Hashikawa hopes to enlist medical students in teaching the AAP curriculum to providers. He also plans to conduct a study to show its effectiveness in improving children's safety and health.



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WILMINGTON, N.C. (EMUEagles.com) - Despite trailing by 13 points, 37-24, with just 14:26 remaining in the contest, the Eastern Michigan University women's basketball team used a 29-5 run over the next 14:03 to post a 63-54 win, Monday, March 21, over the University of North Carolina-Wilmington in the second round of the Women's National Invitation Tournament here at Trask Coliseum in Wilmington, N.C.

With the win, the Eagles (24-12) advance to the equivalent of the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16. EMU will now travel to Syracuse, New York to take on the Syracuse University Orange, Thursday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in the Carrier Dome.

The win over UNC-Wilmington also allowed the Eagles to eclipse the program's highest win total for a single season, surpassing the 23 wins in the 2004-05 campaign. The Seahawks, hosting their first-ever post-season game and who had posted a 12-1 home record before Monday's matchup, exit the season with a 24-9 mark.

After falling behind 47-37 with 14:08 left in the contest, senior leader Cassie Schrock connected on a layup to chip away at the deficit, making the score 47-39 with 12:47 to go. Eastern would continue the run, tying the ballgame at 50-50 at the 9:24 mark after Sydney Huntley nailed back-to-back treys and Schrock also put in a deep ball.

Tavelyn James also caught fire, making two unanswered baskets and giving EMU its first lead since holding a slim 17-15 advantage midway through the opening stanza. UNCW's Martha White converted on one of the home team's two field goals during their drought, cutting EMU's lead to two, 54-52.

EMU then scored nine unanswered, highlighted by five Schrock free throws and a Paige Redditt lay-in.

During Eastern's impressive second-half rally, the team shot 13-of-26 from the field (50 percent), while holding UNCW to just 29.2 percent (20-of-54).

The Eagles were led in the game offensively by Schrock who scored 20 points. She also dished out seven assists and grabbed five boards. The back court of James and Huntley combined to score 25 points, while Kristin Thomas led the team with seven rebounds, and India Hairston grabbed five boards in 13 minutes of action.

The Eagles led by as many as eight points in the first half, taking a 15-7 lead with 11:13 left in the opening stanza after India Hairston split a pair at the free throw line. After that, the host Seahawks would embark on a 13-2 run to erase the deficit and take a 20-17 advantage. James would tie it with a three-pointer, but the Seahawks kept with it, extending their lead to 36-28 at the break.

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ANTICIPATION HIGH AS OHIO VALLEY GOLD & SILVER REFINERY OPENS FOR BUSINESS NEXT WEEK AT 2 LOCATIONS IN ANN ARBOR!

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

Been following the gold and silver market lately? Well if you have a jewelry box, a lock box full of gold or a coffee can full of old coins, you should be, according to Ohio Valley Refinery spokesperson John Miller. "The gold and silver markets have not been this strong for over 30 years" said Miller. Typically when the U.S. dollar is weak and the economy is flat, gold and silver markets soar. "That's good news if you are sitting on a few gold necklaces or an old class ring" says Miller.

Next week, starting Tuesday at 9am and every day next week through Saturday, the Ohio Valley Refinery is setting up satellite refineries right here in **Ann Arbor** at the **Holiday Inn** and the **Courtyard Ann Arbor**. During their 5 day stay, anyone can bring gold, silver or platinum items and turn them in for immediate payment, explains John Miller. "Just about everybody has some amount of gold or silver just lying around collecting dust and this week anybody can sell their stuff direct to our refinery. Typically selling direct to a refinery is reserved for larger wholesale customers like jewelry stores, pawn shops and laboratories" says Miller. "We are changing how business is done," he explains "we want to do business with everybody so we took our business to the streets". "Our teams visit various cities around the country hosting 5 day events and allowing the general public to take advantage of our services. "The turnout has been overwhelming" says Miller. "Usually each day is busier than the previous day. It seems once people come to us and sell something, they are so amazed what an old ring or gold coin is worth, they go home and start digging around for more and telling relatives, friends and neighbors. It's like a feeding frenzy by the third day. People line up



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand next week starting Tuesday through Saturday to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

with everything from gold jewelry to sterling silver flatware sets to old coins. I think during this bad economy everybody can use extra money, but most people say they are taking advantage of selling direct to our refinery because of the higher prices we pay".

During this special event, anyone is welcome to bring all types of gold, silver and platinum to the refinery and turn it in for instant payment. The types of items they will accept include all gold jewelry, gold coins, gold ounces, dental gold, old coins made before 1965 including silver dollars, halves, quarters and dimes, anything marked "sterling" including flatware sets, tea pots, silver bars, silver ounces and all industrial precious metals.

What should you expect if you go to the event to sell your gold and/or silver? Just gather up all gold, silver and platinum in any form. If you are not sure if it's gold or silver, bring it in and they will test it for free. When

you arrive at the event you will be asked to fill out a simple registration card and will be issued a number. Seating will be available. When your number is called you will be escorted to a table where your items will be examined, tested and sorted. This only takes a few minutes, using their expertise and specialized equipment. Items will be counted and/or weighed. The value of the items will be determined based on up to the minute market prices. Live feeds will be available at the event displaying current market prices of all precious metals. If you choose to sell your items, they will be bagged and tagged and you will be escorted to the cashier to collect your payment. Waiting time to sell your items may range from just a few minutes to 1 hour,

so bring something to read. If you are the owner of a jewelry store, pawn shop, dentist office or a dealer you are encouraged to call ahead to make an appointment with the smelt master to discuss their special dealer programs. They can be reached during Refinery hours at **(217) 787-7767**.

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By Ken McIntosh
STAFF WRITER

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. Next week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Saturday, the International Collectors Association in conjunction with the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery will be purchasing all types of silver and gold coins direct from the public. All types are welcome and the event is free.

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. The better the grade the more they are worth, according to collectors I talked to. With the silver and gold markets high, prices of older coins are too. Any coins minted before 1965 in the U.S. are 90% silver, except nickels and pennies.

The coin's worth is determined by the rarity and the grade. Old silver dollars are worth a great price right now, even well worn heavily circulated ones are bringing good premiums. Franklin and Kennedy half dollars, Washington quarters, Mercury and Roosevelt dimes are all worth many times the face value. While older types like Seated Liberty, Standing Liberties, and Barber coins are worth even more.

Gold coins are really worth a lot right now, according to Brian Eades of the International Collectors Association. "This country didn't start minting coins until 1792" says Eades. He explained, "Before that, people would trade goods using gold dust and nuggets. Some shop keepers would take more gold than needed to pay for items purchased. There was no uniform system of making change."

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th century, coins and

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These gold coins are sought after by collectors today and bring many times the face value. Any gold coins with the mint marks of CC, D or O will bring nice premiums. Collectors at the event will be glad to show you where to look. Other types of coins will also be purchased including foreign coins, Indian cents, two cent pieces, half dimes, three cent pieces and buffalo nickels to name a few.

Collectors warn people against trying to clean their coins, as significant damage can be done and the coin's value lessened.

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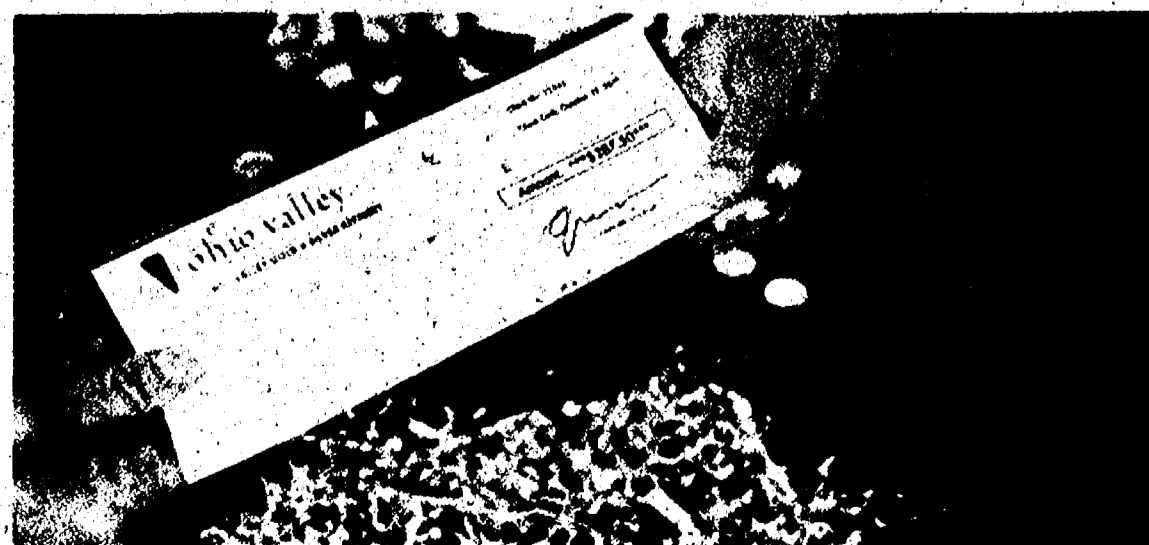
Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.

LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE READY TO CASH IN! International antique buyers in town next week and ready to stimulate economy!

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of phone calls from local residents poured in to the corporate office of the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery this week—inquiring about items to be purchased by the team of antique buyers that is on site with OVGSR.

The team of buyers next week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items, along with the coins, gold jewelry and sterling silver items the refinery deals in. It is a local shot in the arm for our economy—the spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 next week at the **Holiday Inn** and the **Courtyard Ann Arbor**, paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company has explained that these collectors are paying collector prices for the vintage items and it is great way for people to get a great value for their items.



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand next week starting Tuesday through Saturday to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

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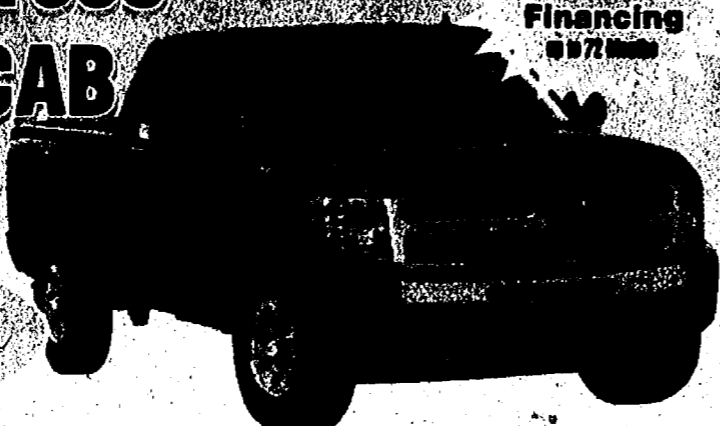
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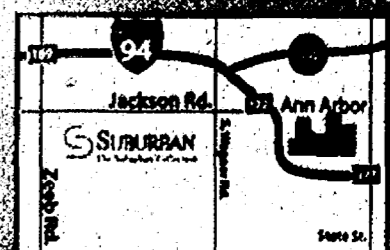
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Bus driver enjoys life at Silver Maples

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

"The wheels on the bus go round and round" could be Steve Altenbernt's theme song.

The longtime Dexter resident has been driving the bus for the Silver Maples of Chelsea Retirement Community for several years.

"Steve's a great driver," said Shawn's person, director of activities and public relations for Silver Maples. "He travels about Chelsea all day long, and gets everyone where they want to be and then home again. He's taken us all over Michigan, too. From Detroit to Kalamazoo, and Ohio to Grand Rapids, he gets us there safely, calmly, and in good humor."

"He's such a super guy, always willing to pitch in and help out, whether it's setting up for an event, picking up books at the Chelsea library for our book discussion, setting up the Wii for bowling or bartending at the St. Pat's Day party."

Altenbernt has been driving since he was 12, when his father got him a car to drive on the family property.

His first jobs included driving trucks to deliver and pick up items all over the area, including Detroit and Ann Arbor, and delivering books around the University of

Michigan campus.

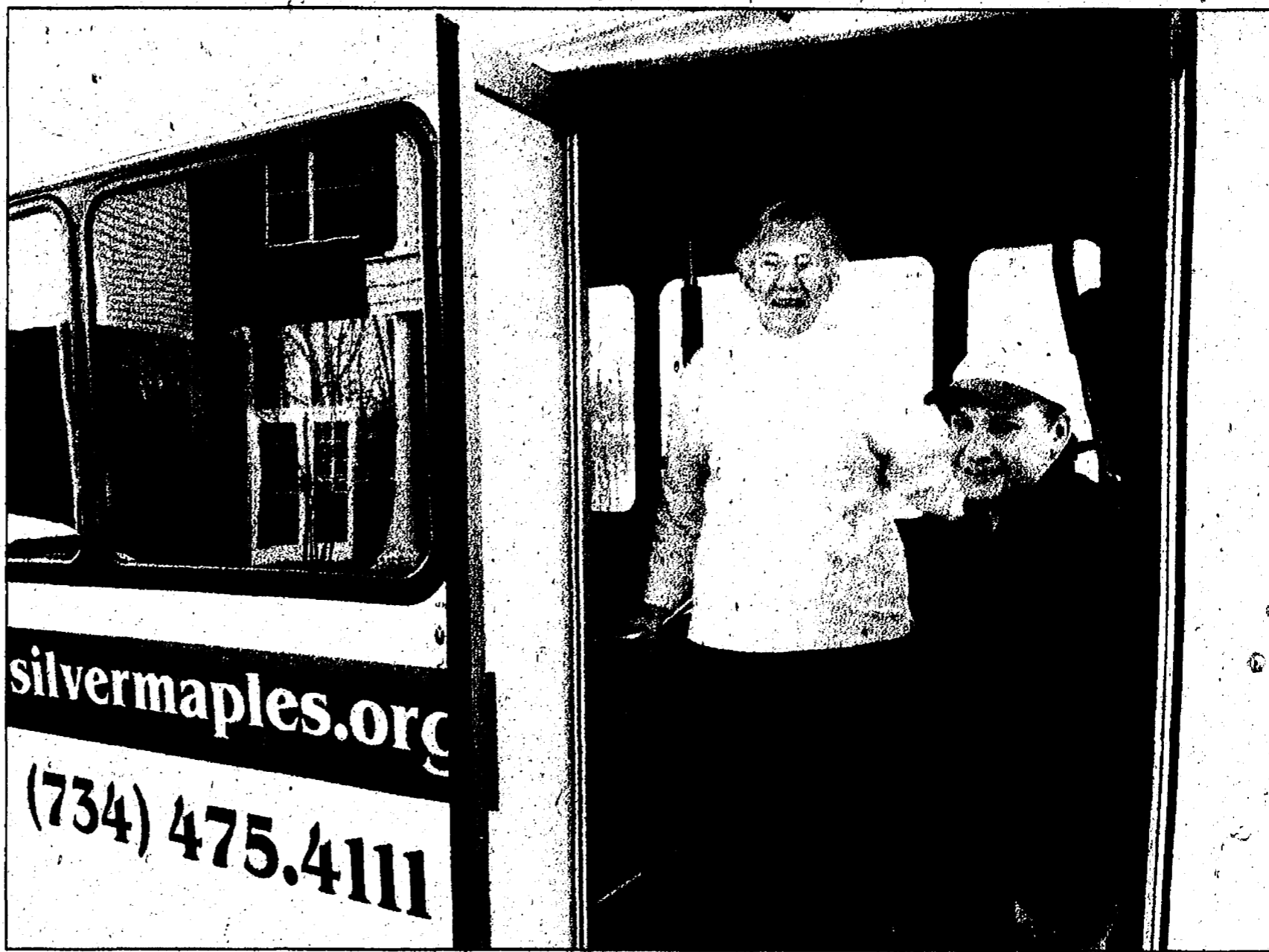
He also drove a hi-lo, but after 20 years of operating machines, he was back on the road, driving a school bus for Whitmore Lake Schools and serving as a substitute driver for Silver Maples of Chelsea, before landing the job full time.

"I love my job," he said. "It can be challenging at times, but most often it's very rewarding and fun. I'm the planner for doctor, dental and hair appointments, and for shopping trips, bank visits and so on. I'm also the errand boy and go-fer. I'm my own dispatcher, and main driver. I also help out with parties, and I store and organize most of the decorations for holidays and festivities."

"I'm a part of our residents' connection to the outside world, and when someone gives up driving, I consider it my job to help make the transition as pleasant and as easy as possible."

Altenbernt has had plenty of hair-raising experiences behind the wheel.

"I've been caught in every driving condition ever applied to the pavement by old Mother Nature," he said. "I've been blown sideways on I-94 in a truck on black ice, going down both lanes perfectly perpendicular going over 40 mph. I've fishtailed in a school bus down a solid-ice-covered, hilly,



Steve Altenbernt stands on the Silver Maples bus with Ber Hibbard.

back road with 30 kids on board.

"Most recently I drove a bus full of residents in a snowstorm, a two-hour-long slow crawl back from Detroit. Last year, I picked up a Silver Maples resident in a thunderstorm; she and I ended up totally drenched as was most of the inside of the bus, from vertical sheets of stinging rain."

Although he lives in Dexter, Altenbernt said he is probably more familiar with Chelsea

and local businesses than many Chelsea residents.

"We visit most places around town and a lot of them know me by name and have my phone number to call me when it's time to return my passengers," he said.

"Chelsea is a great city with a lot to offer and the local merchants are accommodating to the senior community. Drivers and the Chelsea Police are very understanding of having buses blocking a lane here and there or being

double-parked, picking up folks around town."

Altenbernt has a few driving tips to share.

"I notice some people flying through parking lots, way too fast. Please have patience around town, learn how to make a left turn on a green light, use blinkers - even in driveways; you won't wear them out - and don't block the vision of the car next to you when exiting a driveway."

"At least act like you're going to stop at a stop sign

- you scare me when you fly up like that. Wave at the

WAVE buses - they're a great bunch of people. Watch, listen and pull over for emergency vehicles, and give pedestrians a little extra space - you may be one someday."

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FIA announces Humanitarian of the Year

The weekly meeting of the Dexter Rotary Club was the venue for announcing Faith in Action's Humanitarian of the Year, Paul Cousins. Cousins was enjoying his breakfast as FIA Director Nancy Paul, Board President Jack Edington and his wife Pat came in to announce the award in front of his fellow Rotarians.

Clearly overwhelmed by both the award and the ovation given him by club members, Cousins was quick to give praise both to Faith in Action for their service to the community, but also to the Rotary Club and the larger Dexter community.

"I've said to Pat that the decision we made 47 years ago to become a part of this community has been the best decision we've ever made," Cousins said.

Cousins will be honored at the Faith in Action Annual Benefit Banquet April 30 at Chelsea Community Hospital.

Each year the FIA Board of Directors chooses an individual from Dexter or Chelsea who exemplifies the spirit of the organization embodied in the award's namesake, Howard S. Holmes, the founder of

Chelsea Milling, was instrumental in the founding of Faith in Action and will be remembered as someone with great feeling for the needy of the community.

FIA chose Cousins for the award because of his decades of work in many venues: as a teacher, coach, restaurant founder, supporter of environmental organizations, civic leader and servant.

Most recently, he has been instrumental in organizing the Dexter Community Garden, where he led the Dexter Rotary Club in bringing bushel upon bushel of fresh produce to the Faith in Action food pantry every week.

When you start life working in the steel mills of Gary, Ind. you quickly gain an appreciation for the value of hard work and an understanding of the plight of working men and women who give their all every day and sometimes still can't come up with enough to make ends meet, Cousins said.

Cousins got the message and went on to earn a teaching degree that eventually brought him to Dexter High School where he taught environmental



With his wife, Pat (left), and Board President Jack Edington (right), Paul Cousins receives the notification of his Humanitarian of the Year award from Faith in Action.

studies and also served as a much loved coach primarily for the growing girl's sports programs.

In 1984, he again got in front of the ovens but this time as the owner of Cousins Heritage Inn

- a bold adventure with his wife Patricia that brought fine dining to Dexter. Paul was quick to cooperate with community groups to use the restaurant as a fundraising venue and eventually even got up at the crack of

dawn to personally cook breakfast for the fledgling Rotary Club of Dexter.

It is a rare fundraising event in the area that does not include an auction item or two involving dinner prepared in your

home by "Chef Paul" or cooking lessons from Chef Paul or dessert for 12 prepared by Chef Paul. These items are often among the biggest earners for the event.

But it was really after Cousins retired from the restaurant business that he kicked into gear as a full time public citizen and philanthropist.

He stayed active with the Huron River Watershed Council but found a new observation point from a seat on the Dexter Village Council. That drew him into efforts to help save Gordon Hall along with membership on numerous committees to improve the quality of life in greater metropolitan Dexter.

Throughout, Cousins has been willing to not only lead, but to dig in and work.

This last summer, with the inception of the Dexter Community Garden, Cousins led the Rotary Club in raising a garden specifically to feed the poor through the Faith in Action food pantry.

"This greatly improved the quality of food we had available

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Peter Lynch, Jeff Boerger and Steven Rohs make up Cracklin, a traditional Cajun music group.

Band to bring Cajun flavor

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Media

Cajun band Cracklin is bringing a little bit of Manchester, Mason and Charlotte to Chelsea in April.

They're also bringing their eclectic backgrounds along with their tunes.

Peter Lynch, of Manchester; Jeff Boerger, of Mason; and Steven Rohs, of Charlotte comprise the Cajun music group.

"Jeff and I have been playing Cajun music together since 2008 when we met at a jam session at the Wheatland music festival," Lynch said this week.

Lynch is also a violinmaker, and he handcrafted the fiddle that he plays for Cracklin, in addition to lending the group

his vocals.

Boerger is a furniture-maker and Rohs is a professor at Michigan State University, where he teaches writing and music from an ethno-cultural perspective.

None of the trio has formal musical training, but they practice and perform on their own.

"We are both really passionate about this music and have learned from some of the well-known Cajun and Creole musicians in Louisiana," Lynch said.

Rohs is the newest member of the band:

"(He) has become quite taken with this music as well... is an experienced musician with a background in old time and Irish traditions."

In addition to Cajun jams

Cracklin plays two-steps, waltzes and "bluesy" Creole songs, authentically and simply known as French music in Louisiana.

"We play the music of the dance-halls and bals de maison... it's a mixture of the old sound of two fiddles playing, as well as the accordion and fiddle together with that driving rhythm guitar," Lynch said.

The vocals to some of their music are sung in the traditional Cajun French.

"We are three guys making a whole lot of music with a straightforward feel good with a (Louisiana) French twist," Lynch said.

Cracklin played during the Sounds & Sights series last summer and caught the eye of Pat

Cleary, which is why he asked Lynch and his pals to come spend an evening in Chelsea at Cleary's.

They will be in Chelsea on April 3 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Lynch says that Cracklin is an up-and-comer in the county in terms of popularity and following.

"The largest venue we played so far is at The Black Sheep Tavern in Manchester for a Louisiana Dinner they had," Lynch said. "There were so many people that showed up that unfortunately about 40 did not even get seated because nobody wanted to leave. It was packed until we finished at 10 p.m."

For more information go to Myspace.com/cracklincajun-band.

www.heritage.com

Thursday, March 31, 2011

REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Thursday, March 31

■ "Some Couples May..." 8 p.m. Wednesday to Saturday, 3 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Purple Rose Theatre Company, 137 Park St., Chelsea. 433-7673.

■ Jazz Band 7 p.m. Thursday: Chelsea High School auditorium, 740 N. Freer Road. Free. 475-4524.

Friday, April 1

■ Lenten Fish Fry 4 to 8 p.m. Friday: Knights of Columbus, St. Mary Church, 14200 E. Old US-12. 475-7561.

■ Great Books at the Senior Center 1 p.m. Friday: Chelsea Senior Center, 512 Washington St., Chelsea. Free. Pre-register at 475-8732.

Saturday, April 2

■ Chelsea Chess Club 3 p.m. Saturday: Wendy's, 1640 Commerce Park. Free. 475-1583.

■ Chelsea Teddy Bear Co. 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. Saturday: Group tours. 400 N. Main St., Chelsea. Free. 433-5499.

Sunday, April 3

■ Michigan Flintknappers 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday: Chelsea Rod and Gun Club, 7103 Lingane Road. Free. 1-810-231-2314.

DEXTER

Friday, April 1

■ Lenten Fish Fry 4:30 to 8 p.m. Friday: Old St. Patrick's Church parish hall, 5671 Whitmore Lake Road. \$7.50 (seniors, \$7; ages 5 through 11, \$6.50; 4 and younger, free). 662-8141

■ Fish Fry 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday: Dexter Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall, 8265 Dexter-Chelsea Road, Dexter. \$10 (ages 5 through 9, \$5; age 4 and younger, free; drive-through, \$9). 426-5558.

Saturday, April 2

■ Draw Doubles 101 Disc Golf Noon Saturday: Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road. (\$7 per player; free for spectators.) \$5 vehicle entrance fee. 449-4300.

■ Used Book Sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday: Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St.

■ "Ducks and Other Waterfowl" 9 a.m. Saturday: Independence Lake County Park, 3200 Jennings Road, Webster Township. Free. \$5 vehicle entry fee. 971-6337, ext. 334.

Sunday, April 3

■ Festival of Hymns 4 p.m. Sunday: St. Andrew's United Church of Christ, 7610 Ann Arbor St. Freewill offering. 426-8247.

■ Dexter Community Orchestra 2 p.m. Sunday: Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St. Free. 426-4477.

Wednesday, April 6

■ Family Movie and Popcorn 1 p.m. Wednesday: Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St. Free. 426-4477.

■ Visitors Night: Ann Arbor Model Railroad Club 7:30 p.m. Wednesday: Michigan Central Depot, 3487 Broad St. Free. 426-5100.

SALINE

Thursday, March 31

■ Thursday Contra Dance 7 p.m. Thursday: 4531 Concourse Drive. (\$7 (students, \$4; age 13 and younger with a parent, free). 408-1018.

■ Ventriquoist Vikki Gasko 6:30 p.m. Thursday: Saline District Library, 555 N. Maple Road, Saline. Free. Pre-registration required. 429-5450.

Friday, April 1

■ Fish Fry: Knights of Columbus 4 to 7 p.m. Friday: St. Andrew's Catholic Church, 910 Austin Drive. \$9 (seniors age 60 and older, \$8; ages 12 and younger, \$5). 944-7790.

Saturday, April 2

■ Drum 4 Wellness Circle 7:30 p.m. Saturday: Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth, 704 Airport Blvd. \$5 donation. 480-1219.

■ First Saturday Contra 8 p.m. Saturday: Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. \$10 (members, \$9; students, \$5). 769-1052.

Sunday, April 3

■ Saline Area Historical Society 2-3:30 p.m., Saline District Library, 555 N. Maple Road. Free. 944-0442.

Tuesday, April 5

■ New Horizons Band 6 p.m. Tuesday; 1 p.m. Thursday: Liberty School, 7265 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Free. 429-1742.

■ Line Dancing 6:30 p.m. Tuesday: American Legion Hall, 320 W. Michigan Ave. \$7. 429-4840.

■ Poet Saleem Peeradina 7 p.m. Tuesday: Saline District Library, 555 N. Maple Road. Free. Pre-registration requested. 429-5450.

Wednesday, April 6

■ Saline Woodcarvers 6 p.m. Wednesday: Saline Area Senior Center, 7190 N. Maple Road. Free. 944-1918.

■ Bingo 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: American Legion Hall, 320 W. Michigan Ave. 429-7310.

YPSILANTI

Thursday, March 31

■ Winter Jam 2011 6 p.m. Thursday: EMU Convocation Center, 799 N. Hewitt, Ypsilanti. \$10 at the door. 487-2282.

Friday, April 1

■ "Intimate Apparel" 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, and 3 p.m. Sunday: Recommended for age 13 and older. EMU Sponberg Theater, Ford St. \$15 (students, \$12). 487-2282.

■ "Long Gone: A Poetry Sideshow" 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday: Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron St. \$10. 480-2787.

■ "Fools for the Arts" 7:30 p.m. Friday: Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at East Circle Drive. Free. 487-2255.

■ Ypsi Garden Fair Garden Tea Party 3 to 7 p.m. Friday: Ypsilanti Freighthouse, Depot Town. Free and open to the public.

Saturday, April 2

■ Opera Workshop 7 p.m. Saturday: Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at East Circle Drive. Free. 487-2255.

■ Ypsi Garden Fair 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday: with a 7 p.m. rock concert. Ypsilanti Freighthouse, Depot Town. Free and open to the public.

Sunday, April 3

■ Children's Puppet Shows 3:30 p.m. Sunday: Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington St. \$5 (age 3 and younger, free). 657-2337.

■ Ypsi Garden Fair 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday: Ypsilanti Freighthouse, Depot Town. Free and open to the public.

Monday, April 4

■ Wiz Khalifa: Embarco Management 6:30 p.m. Monday: EMU Convocation Center, 799 N. Hewitt Road, Ypsilanti. \$20 and \$30 at the EMU Convocation Center and emu-tix.com, and the door. 487-2282.

Tuesday, April 5

■ Teens Using Drugs: What To Know and What To Do: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday: Free Dawri Farm presentation. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5305 Elliott Drive. 973-7892.

■ Low-Brass Fest 8 p.m. Tuesday: Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, West Cross Street. Free. 487-2255.

Wednesday, April 6

■ Flute Ensembles 6 p.m. Wednesday: Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at East Circle Drive. Free. 487-2255.

■ Housing Counseling Seminar: MSU Extension Office 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Washtenaw County Public Health and Human Services Building, 555 Towner St. Free. 997-1678.

■ Pianist Joel Hastings 8 p.m., EMU Pease Auditorium, West Cross Street. Free. 487-2255.



The Ann Arbor Cantata Singers will perform a 50th anniversary celebration concert at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church on April 10. The ensemble's first performance was at Hill Auditorium back in 1960. Tickets are \$25 reserved seating; \$15 general admission for adults; and \$10 for students and seniors. Children 18 and younger will be admitted for free. Tickets are available at the door or at www.a2cantatasingers.org. For more information, call 996-8867.

Cantata Singers to perform

Ann Arbor group will sing at St. Andrew's Church

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

The Ann Arbor Cantata Singers have been delighting local audiences for half a century, since their first performance June 19, 1960, at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor.

The group will perform a 50th Anniversary Celebration Concert, featuring favorites from the past five decades, 4 p.m. April 10 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division St., in Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$25 reserved seating; \$15 general admission for adults; and \$10 for students and seniors. Children 18 and younger will be admitted for free. Tickets are available at the door or at www.a2cantatasingers.org. For more information, call 996-8867.

The group's first performance was as an adjunct to a church music workshop sponsored by the University Office of Religious Affairs, with representation from the University of Michigan School of Music, and the Ann Arbor-Washtenaw Council of Churches.

The conference committee wanted a musical performance by a choral ensemble representative of the churches involved. Rosella Duerksen, who will conduct Benjamin Britten's

"Festival Te Deum" at the April 10 concert, was invited to organize the ensemble. A total of 22 singers, several of them church choral directors, formed the first Cantata Singers.

After the inaugural performance, members of the semi-professional choral group decided to organize as the Ann Arbor Cantata Singers and present an annual series of concerts.

"To put together an ensemble of fine singers to perform a variety of music, spanning works by composers from the early Baroque to the present, that was essentially the mission that I, together will several friends, undertook some 50 years ago," Duerksen said.

"The response from singers in the community, among them a number of music professionals, was enormously gratifying. For me, it was a wonderful opportunity and challenge, and we were off and running."

The group also performed at Westminster Church in Detroit, at Wayne State University and in a concert at Ford auditorium as a part of the Constituting Convention of the Lutheran Church in America. The event also featured organist Marilyn Mason and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

One memorable concert was a performance in February 1962, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, within the format of Evening Prayer.

"At about noon, the snow began to fall. Hour by hour, the snow on the ground became

deeper, as did my concerns,"

Duerksen said.

She worried whether the audience, singers and 10 instrumentalists would make it through the snow, and how the group would compensate if any performers were absent.

"Miraculously, I thought, the snowfall ended in the late afternoon. When we assembled for a pre-performance warm-up, everyone was present," Duerksen said.

In her pre-performance "pep-talk," she told the group that even if there was only a tiny audience, the singers would make it a memorable experience.

"But when I took the podium, after the opening liturgy, the church was packed," she said. "Our performance was received with enormous appreciation and enthusiasm. I believe it was for us all, a night to remember."

Thomas Hilbish, a past conductor for the group, emeritus faculty member at the U of M School of Music, Theatre and Dance, and past conductor of the University Choral Union, recalls the Cantata Singers performing the Bach B-minor Mass in 2003.

"I had performed it quite a few times before, including a premiere in Beijing, but this one was special, as it was one of the best performances of that great work," he said. "I thought the recording we made did the group proud."

Bradley Bloom, a faculty member at the U of M School of Music, Theatre and Dance,

was music director of the Cantata Singers from 1974 to 1994.

"That period in my musical life provided me with many lasting memories," he said.

Bloom, who also is adjunct professor of conducting at Oakland University, session instructor for the University Singers at the University of Windsor, and music director/conductor for the Flint Festival Chorus, recalls two concerts as particularly memorable: Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem" in 1984 and Leonard Bernstein's "Mass" in 1987.

"Not only were they excellent musical performances, but also the type of spiritual experience that only happens occasionally in one's lifetime," he said.

Bloom recalled that broadcast legend Karl Haas, who for many years produced a nationally syndicated program called "Adventures in Good Music," played the group's Christmas album recording of Randall Thompson's "Alleluia," and praised the rendition as the best he had ever heard.

"I had not heard the broadcast, but after the fact, I received telephone calls from all parts of the country, praising our recording," Bloom said.

"A community organization that can sustain itself for 50 years and present the choral art with integrity and musical value is indeed remarkable."

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

Dance for the Mother Earth set

The Ecology Center's annual seventh annual Dance for the Earth celebration of Earth Day is set for April 16.

The party will feature live dance music by the Dave Boutette Show Band, local food, a cash bar and more.

All proceeds benefit the Ecology Center's Mary Beth Doyle Environmental Health Fund, which supports Ecology Center campaigns focusing on

environmental health issues including clean air, safe consumer products and women's and children's health.

Doyle, who died in 2004, was widely recognized as one of Michigan's most prominent environmental advocates.

Her 15-year professional career included positions with the Sierra Club, Greenpeace and the Ecology Center, where she worked for a dozen years

and led the organization's environmental health campaigns.

She was well known in Ann Arbor and the surrounding area for her dynamic personality. She was involved in planning the Ecology Center's first "Dance for the Earth" when she died.

The event will be held from 8 to 11 p.m. April 16 at Downtown Home & Garden, 210 S. Ashley St. in Ann

Arbor. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased at <http://ecocenter.org/mbd/>.

For more information, contact Ken Kozora at ken@ecocenter.org or 761-3186, ext. 120.

Contributions to the Mary Beth Doyle Environmental Health Fund can be sent to the Ecology Center, 117 N. Division St., Ann Arbor, MI 48104.

EMU Theatre to present 'Intimate Apparel'

Eastern Michigan University Theatre will present the drama "Intimate Apparel," written by Lynn Nottage and directed by Wallace Bridges.

Performances are at 7 p.m. April 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and at 3 p.m. April 3 in the Sponberg Theatre in the Quirk Dramatic Arts Building located at the intersection of East Circle Drive and Best Hall on EMU's Ypsilanti Campus.

Winner of the 2004 New York

Drama Critics Circle and the Outer Critics Circle Awards, "Intimate Apparel" tells the story of Esther, a black seamstress who seeks love and a better life in New York in 1905.

Watching everyone around her marry and move on, Esther longs for a husband and a shop of her own. Her skill as a seamstress places her in high demand, and she is able to save enough to be on the brink of fashioning her own dreams.

Since obstacles of race and culture keep her from the man she loves, Esther decides to marry a man she's only met through letters that have been read to the illiterate seamstress.

Sadly, as Esther comes face to face with her future husband, it is her fears and not her dreams that are realized.

"Intimate Apparel" is appropriate for attendees age 13 and older.

Ticket prices for "Intimate Apparel" are \$15 for regular admission, \$12 for students and \$9 for Mainstage patrons.

Tickets are available by phone at 487-2282 and in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office.

To purchase tickets online, visit www.emutix.com. For more information about EMU Theatre, visit www.emich.edu/emutheatre.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, March 31

Get your child ready for literacy with a Pre-reading Parent Workshop at 11:30 a.m. at the Chelsea District Library.

The Chelsea Senior Center will host a Tax Assistance program by appointment.

Join Critic's Corner at the Chelsea District Library at 6:30 p.m. for a viewing and discussion of "The Social Network."

Friday, April 1

The Chelsea District Library will have Toddlertime at 10:30 a.m.

The Chelsea Senior Center's quilting group will meet at 11:30 a.m.

The Chelsea Senior Center's movie of the week will be "Singing in the Rain" at 12:30 p.m.

Join Great Books @CSC, led by the library and Chelsea Senior Center's staff at 1 p.m. The book this month is "Half-Broke Horses" by Jeannette Wells.

Do you want more ownership out of the library? Join MADLAB at 3:30 p.m. and share your ideas on how the library should work for teen and young adult services.

Saturday, April 2

The Friends of the Dexter District Library will be having a Used Book Sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are interested in joining the Friends of the Dexter District Library, please

contact Sue Smith at sueandbernie@aol.com.

The Friends of the Chelsea District Library will have its monthly meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Sunday, April 3

The Dexter Community Orchestra will play chamber music at the Dexter District Library from 2 to 3 p.m.

Monday, April 4

Spring Break begins. Schools are closed.

The Chelsea Senior Center will have a \$1 a Minute Massage with Dawn by appointment at 10 a.m.

Exercise with Tina at the Chelsea Senior Center at 10:30 a.m.

Come to a Drawing Workshop at the Dexter District Library at 1 p.m. and meet Mark Crilley, author and graphic artist. Registration is required, and the program is for children in third grade and up.

Build to your hearts' content with Legos @ McKine at the Chelsea District Library at 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 5

The Chelsea Senior Center will have Free Blood Pressure Checks at 10 a.m.

Join Senior Computing 1:1 at the Chelsea District Library at 10 a.m.

The Chelsea District Library hosts Babytime at 10:30 a.m.

Join the Dexter District Library for Teen Movie and Snacks time at 2 p.m. The featured movie is "Star Wars V: The Empire Strikes Back," and there will be a trivia contest for sixth- through-12th-graders.

Emily Nease, RD, will have a program about Special Diets at the Chelsea Senior Center at 12:30 p.m.

The Chelsea District Library will host Dungeons & Dragons Weekly Gaming Night at 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 6

Exercise with Tina at the Chelsea Senior Center at 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate National Plan Your Epitaph Day at the Chelsea Senior Center at 12:30 p.m.

It's Family Movie & Popcorn time at the Dexter District Library. Join the library for a viewing of "Tangled," rate PG, at 1 p.m.

Is school break getting a bit boring? Learn some new tricks at Mario Kart and other games at School's Out: Tips & Tricks for Will at the Chelsea District Library at 1 p.m. Snacks will be provided.

The Chelsea Senior Center will have Foot Care by appointment.

Make your reservations to see an Ernie Harwell play with the Chelsea Senior Center. Call 475-9242.

Thursday, April 7

The Chelsea Senior

Center's Board of Directors will meet at 8:30 a.m.

The Chelsea Senior Center will have a Potluck Lunch at noon.

Join the Dexter District Library for Altered Journals for teens at 1 p.m. The program uses scrapbooking and collage techniques, and registration is required.

Join the Chelsea District Library for a showing of the movie musical classic, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" at 2 p.m.

Have a great book discussion from a global perspective with the International Book Club at 7 p.m. April's book is "Island Beneath the Sun" by Isabel Allende.

Contact the Chelsea Senior Center to reserve a spot for an April 13 class on Ukrainian Egg Decorating.

Ongoing

Join Miss Jackie and Rosie in Spring Storytime from 10:30 to 11 a.m. for 2-year-olds and 3-year-olds and 11:30 a.m. for 3- to 5-year-olds every Wednesday and Thursday starting March 23. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Wednesday at the Dexter Senior Center at 7720 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, Dexter. Weigh-in begins at 6:15 pm, and the meeting starts at 7 pm. Prospective members are welcome to attend a meeting for free. Yearly membership is \$26, which includes a sub-

scription to TOPS magazine and weekly dues are only \$1. Meetings include information on various health topics presented by a TOPS member or special speaker. Come join the friendly men and women of TOPS while learning ways to improve your health.

The Dexter Senior Center hosts a 9 a.m. Pilates class every Friday for one hour. The cost is \$5 to drop in and the first class is free. You may also purchase a punch card for \$20 and get five visits.

Play Euchre at the Dexter Senior Center every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. or Bridge at 11:30 a.m. Games of Scrabble and Mah Jongg are also played at 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m., respectively.

Swim with Chelsea Senior Center members every Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Comfort Inn.

Learn Bridge at Chelsea Senior Center every Thursday at 10 a.m.

The public is invited to Line Dance Class held every Thursday at 10 a.m. at Chelsea Senior Center.

Share Computer knowledge at Chelsea Senior Center's Computer Club every Thursday at 10 a.m.

Chelsea Area Bridge meets on Thursday at 12:15 p.m. at Chelsea Senior Center.

Enjoy Knit and Crochet tips at Chelsea Senior Center each Thursday at 12:30 p.m.

Chelsea Senior Center offers "A Matter of Balance: Fall Prevention" Thursdays starting Feb 3. Call 475-9242 for information.

Play Bingo each Monday and Friday at 9 a.m. at Chelsea Senior Center.

Wood Carvers meet at 10 a.m. at Chelsea Senior Center on Fridays.

Exercise with Enhance Fitness, an evidence based program led by certified trainer, will be every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:30 a.m. at Chelsea Senior Center.

Play Euchre at Chelsea Senior Center every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. and Friday at 12:30 p.m.

Movies at Chelsea Senior Center Fridays at 12:45 p.m.

Play Hand & Foot at Chelsea Senior Center on Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

Learn Mah Jongg at Chelsea Senior Center on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Bowling with Chelsea Seniors on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. at Chelsea Lanes.

Pinochle and Scrabble at Chelsea Senior Center on Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

To have an event placed on the community calendar, e-mail information to Erica McClain at emcclain@heritage.com by 5 p.m. Friday for the following week's edition.

BULLETIN BOARD

"Around Town with Linda"

"Around Town with Linda" will feature Deb Hardcastle, infant safe sleep coordinator. "Around Town with Linda" features interviews conducted by the local host Linda Meloche.

The show airs daily on Channel 18 at 7:30 a.m., noon, 6 p.m. and 11 p.m.

A new interview begins every Friday evening and runs for a week. The guests all live or work in Chelsea, and everyone connected with the show is a volunteer.

Previous shows are available to view at McKune Memorial Library or online at http://storiesofchelsea.org.

Kaleidoscope Concert canceled

Silver Maples' April 19 Kaleidoscope Concert featuring boogie-woogie pianist Mr. B has been canceled due to unforeseen circumstances. Information regarding a new performance date will be published as details are confirmed. For more information, please visit www.silvermaples.org.

Historical society to commemorate Civil

War anniversary

Chelsea Area Historical Society will be commemorating the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War with George Till, 24th Michigan Infantry re-enactor, presenting a special education program 7 p.m. April 11 at the Chelsea Depot.

The era will be brought to life with period costume and equipment demonstrations, while Till discusses the Civil War in the movies, re-enacting and local heroes of the war. The program is free and open to the public.

Dexter Lions scholarship applications available

For more than 10 years, the Dexter Lions have given out over \$45,000 in scholarships to Dexter High School seniors going on to a college.

The scholarship applications for 2011 are now available. They can be picked up at the Dexter High School counseling office or at the Dexter Lions Home page: www.dexterlions.org and click on scholarships to print one.

Scholarships are available for all students no matter what area of study you may be con-

sidering. There are three questions to respond to and complete all information on the cover page.

Deadline for returning applications to the counseling office is April 20.

If you have any questions, please contact Dexter Lion Scholarship Chairman Terry Walters at 734-474-6914.

Volunteers needed at Mission Marketplace

The Mission Marketplace in Chelsea is in need of volunteers. The Mission Marketplace is a nonprofit, volunteer-supported, community marketplace that sells many handcrafted items made by economically impoverished people in developing regions of the world. For more information call 734-475-7604.

Donations sought for FIA

Did you know Faith in Action stays open until 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings to accept donations and provide service? They need clothing for colder weather months and can especially use children's items. Also

always useful are household items such as bedding, dishes and other housewares.

Faith in Action has served the emergency needs of Chelsea and Dexter for 30 years, focusing on food, utility shut off prevention, eviction prevention, and clothing needs. Call 475-3305 with questions. Faith in Action is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sign up for the e-newsletter

Sign up for The Chelsea Standard and Dexter Leader's e-newsletter to get the latest headlines delivered directly to your e-mail box, as well as breaking news and community alerts. Sign up on the newspaper's home page at www.heritage.com, on the right side of the page.

To have an item placed on the bulletin board, e-mail information to Erica McClain at emcclain@heritage.com by 5 p.m. Friday for the following week's edition.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Please return Pioneer fair signs

The Pioneer Arts Fair was held March 19 at Creekside School with a good turnout and a gymnasium full of wonderful artists and crafts people.

We very much appreciate the fine support from the Dexter community for our yearly event.

Unfortunately, six of our new roadside signs disappeared in the days before the fair, two of them on the day of the fair.

This is a financial blow to the Dexter Area Historical Society's funds, since the money made at the fair goes to the support of the museum and for the rent paid to Creekside School.

The purchase of 20 new signs was made, trusting that these signs would last for a

number of years to come.

The purpose of the fair is not only to educate the public and to feature great local artists, but it is a major fundraiser for the maintenance and upkeep of the museum.

The Dexter Museum is a gem of a learning resource for school children, families and visitors to the Village.

The collection of artifacts is superb and is maintained by a dedicated group of volunteers. We would greatly appreciate the return of the signs-any signs found could be left on the port of the Museum, 3443 Inverness St.

Ginny Ryan, Chair Pioneer Arts Fair Committee Dexter

sudoku

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Level: Beginner

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Level: Intermediate

Solutions published elsewhere in this newspaper.

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Barber has passion for Gideons

Gary Reed of Reed Barbering in Chelsea and the Chelsea Rotary Club President, Kari Newman of Charles Reinhart Realtors pose for a photo at a recent Rotary meeting. While most knows Gary for his "shear talent" in the barber shop, he spoke to Rotary about his real passion, which is his membership and work in the local group of Gideons International and how that helps him to live his faith. Gideons, which started over 100 years ago, has printed and distributed over 1 billion Bibles translated into 80 languages to people in 194 countries. If you want to know more, stop by Reeds Barbering and Gary will tell you all about it.

Resident graduates training

Matthew G. Robinson of Chelsea has graduated from the Human Intelligence Collector Course at Camp Williams, Utah. Robinson, a member of Company B, Brigade Special Troops Battalion in Lansing, Army National Guard, attended the course for two months. In civilian life, Robinson graduated from Chelsea High School in 2004 and is now working toward a bachelor's degree in turf grass management from Michigan State University. Robinson is the son of John and Robin Robinson of Ionia.

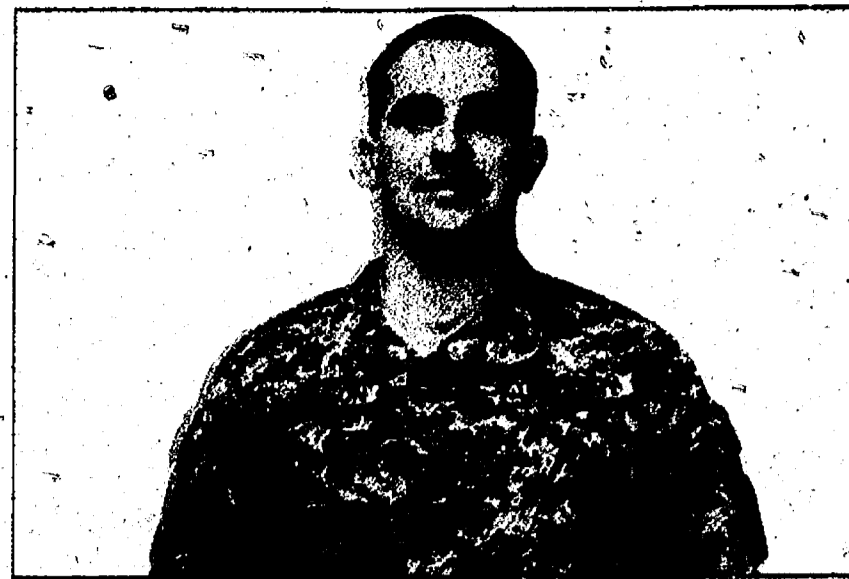



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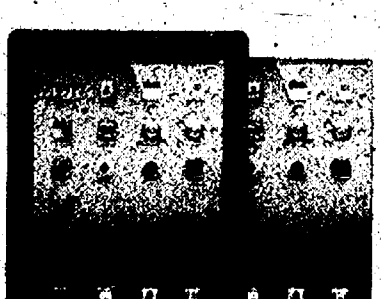
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Photographer to showcase worldly photos

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Media

Dexter resident Ken Gurney is bringing some of the most lush vistas and interesting people to Dexter's downtown via a photography exhibit.

Gurney will be displaying his photographs taken in countries like Thailand and Vietnam during the month of April at Joe and Rosie Coffee.

The Gurney family has handed down a love of travel hand-in-hand with a passion for photography for more than three generations now.

"It started when my grandfather traveled the world and took lots of pictures," Gurney said of the origin of the family hobby, which his father passed onto him as he has passed on his children.

But now Gurney, an unemployed autoworker, sees an opportunity to do much more with the family hobby.

Friends and family, who regularly visit his Dexter home, encouraged him.

"I traveled to Southeast Asia in 2001 ... I've had the pictures in my home for some time, and people keep asking me why I wasn't doing anything with them," Gurney said. "The feedback I got was very good, and now I'm starting to get work."

Gurney learned at first on a Pentax 1000, which he said was "as elementary as you can get."

The first camera he owned was a Kodak Instamatic at the age of 6, and after studying at University of Michigan and Butler University and transplanting from Indiana to Dexter, he's still carried a love of photography around in his heart and mind.

Grandpa, Lester Gurney III, rented instead of owning his home, which allowed him to travel the world with his camera and freed him up to spend time with his son and grandchildren passing down the Gurney family wanderlust.

Lester was born in Massachusetts in 1923 and was an officer in the military during WW II, which might have sparked his need to see as much of the world as possible as evidenced by the 12,000 picture slides he accumulated in

his lifetime.

Gurney's father, Lester H., is more of a family photo album kind of guy. He took more of an interest in being a hobbyist with his kids and making home movies than gallivanting around the globe. He is happiest taking photos of his grandkids Ebba and Soren.

"My grandfather was one of the first Americans into China on the Yellow River," Gurney said. "He retired early to travel the world with his second wife, after his first died from cancer."

He admitted amazement and a bit of envy looking at pictures of his grandfather cooling his heels in Tahiti or drinking in the south Spain countryside from a horse's saddle.

Gurney and his brother always had their cameras on them during family vacations following in well-tread footsteps, seeing historical and natural destinations as the years passed on and the cameras they carried improved.

"I first used the Pentax K1000 on a trip to Alaska with my granddad and grandma ... I still have the slides," Gurney said.

He's also shot 4-H events at the Indiana State Fair and eventually became the young official photographer for his Boy Scout troop's jamboree event in 1989 and eventually for the Marion High School newspaper for two years.

"Once I got a Canon EOS Rebel I started working at the paper and eventually took trips to Spain with the Spanish club and a second-time to study abroad for undergrad," Gurney said.

Travel was just a part of his life, so he wound up going to Europe for a third trip to study in London and then several times "for work and pleasure" in the employ of the automobile industry.

At this point in time Gurney has traveled to every continent containing something worth seeing, except Antarctica.

Some of the highlights, which will be on display at Joe and Rosie include Germany, France, Spain, Switzerland, Russia, Ukraine, New Zealand, Australia, Mexico and obvi-



Dexter resident Ken Gurney will be exhibiting some of his photos, like the one at left, at Joe and Rosie in downtown Dexter in April. Gurney has traveled around the world taking photos, visiting places such as Vietnam and Thailand. His family has been passionate about photography for more than three generations.

ous choices like Dominica, Bahamas, Grand Cayman and Jamaica.

Having lived and worked in Melbourne, Australia for 19 months, Gurney has been to places like Hong Kong and Thailand frequently.

"My favorite photo is hanging (at Joe and Rosie) and is a peasant I photographed in the Mekong Delta in Vietnam."

"I'm particularly proud of the Vietnam and Thailand work. The people's faces and eyes tell so much about how hard that life can be."

Gurney says he also likes to talk about his experience with photography because of how easy and automated the craft

has become these days.

"My daughter got her first camera, a pink digital Canon, when she was 5 ... there's no F-stops, no shutter speeds - just point and shoot."

Gurney's brother, Allen Gurney, also carries the Gurney family enthusiasm, traveling avidly to places like Spain, Morocco, Ireland, Iceland and Norway.

"He and I traveled together in 2009 to Glover's Reef in Belize, which is a remote Gilligan's island sort of place," Gurney said. "We stayed in thatched huts and sea kayaked, scuba dove, among other things."

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Working together benefits everyone

I want to thank the Chelsea Country Market (Polly's) for their efforts to simplify donating food to Faith In Action. They provide pre-packaged foodstuffs. After I purchase the bags, they can be directly delivered to FIA. Another example of how working together benefits all.

Jean M. Vargas
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What's a mom to do? Birthdays on a budget

By Kim Covert
Guest Writer

There was a time, not so long ago, when I went all out for my children's birthdays. We did petting zoos, pony rides, museum trips for a whole kindergarten, and once we rented a hot dog vendor and his cart for a backyard baseball-themed party.

Those were the days for sure, but there were a few things I have come to realize since I started throwing these bashs.

First, my children were really too young to really remember or appreciate the experiences of these galas.

Second, I very rarely enjoyed myself because I spent so much time coordinating animal shows, volcano demonstrations or making sure every had their cowboy hats on during the hayride.

Finally, these parties were pricey. I don't regret spending the money - well, I do a little - but I have learned a few things along the way that have made it easier, less expensive and just as much fun.

Pare down the guest list. My daughter had five friends over for a tea party when she turned 5.

It was a manageable number and I didn't spend \$150 for treat bags for 30 children. Also, the girls were able to visit and play. That is what she enjoyed most.

Select a homemade theme. Don't get caught up in the character plates, napkins, pinatas, etc.

Our themes are easy: tea party, pirates, baseball, snowmen and princess dress-up.

We can get basic invites and party supplies. I often shop the clearance sections at supply stores in advance of a birthday. Solid colors also fit any theme. I bought discounted red plates

after Valentine's Day one year that worked great at a pirate party.

Involve your kids in the planning. We check out kid cookbooks from the library, create homemade decorations, and search the Internet for party games and crafts.

There is a ton of fun to be had in the planning. Schedule the party away from meal times. A party from 2 to 4 p.m. will be wonderful, and you can provide light refreshments and your cake. This timing will give you big savings on the food budget alone.

Make the cake. I am not the Cake Boss, but I can dye frosting and create cupcake sticks for any occasion. I have done a bunny, a series of baseball cupcakes and a "dirt" cake with gummy worms. The kids ate it all and no one missed the store-bought cake. Skip the treat bag. I usually buy each guest an inexpensive paperback book at a local discount store. They are about \$3 each, and it is something the guest will keep for a while.

My children also sign the inside of the book for each child. They write, "Thank you for coming to my party. Your friend."

I have found after a few of these smaller, more creative parties that my kids don't even ask for the fancy parties of the past.

I don't miss them either and most importantly our family budget stays intact.

Kim Covert is a full-time mom living in Dexter. She is also a special needs mother and active community member, who will be sharing her insight with Heritage Media readers.

Chelsea State Bank welcomes Kalusha

Chelsea State Bank is pleased to announce the addition of Dawn M. Kalusha as consumer loan officer.

In her new position, Kalusha will work with customers and help them obtain loan financing.

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"She knows our culture of keeping it local and helping customers achieve financial dreams with a bank they can

trust."

Kalusha has been in banking for 15 years. She was most recently a branch manager and loan officer for a community bank.

She is a 2010 graduate of the Robert M. Perry School of Banking and holds a license in title insurance.

Kalusha has also obtained her branch manager certification from the Michigan Banker's Association.

Kalusha enjoys giving back to her community and spending time with her family. She is the treasurer of Stockbridge Community Outreach and in her spare time enjoys camping with her husband and two daughters.

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SCIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS MARCH 22, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supr. Clark at 827 N. Zeeb Road.

Present: Clark, Hedberg, Green, Knowles, Read

Absent: Palmer, DeLong

Public Hearing to adopt the 2011-2012 consolidated Township budgets.

Approved the methodology for the allocation of additional funds.

Approved the Dexter-Ann Arbor Run on June 5, 2011.

Approved change in workman's compensation insurers.

Approved Site Plan 5158, Mini Cooper Dealership.

Approved appointment of Jay Holland to the DDA.

Approved Township budget amendments for the current 2010-2011 fiscal year.

Approved Resolution to approve the Township's 2011-2012 consolidated budgets.

Approved changes to the constitution of the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

Approved March invoices to be paid as presented.

Adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk
Scio Township
Publish March 31, 2011

Washtenaw County Legal Notice

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division on behalf of the Information and Technology Services Department is issuing sealed RFP #6609 for installation of voice and data communication structured wiring services. Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. RFP 6609 Due: Friday April 22, 2011 by 2:00pm local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at <http://bids.washtenaw.org> and click on "open bids".

Publish March 31, 2011

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL

An application has been filed by AUTO ZONE DEVELOPMENT CORP. of MEMPHIS TN. for FINAL SITE PLAN approval of a proposed AUTOZONE RETAIL STORE on the following described parcel of land:

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The application for Final Site Plan Approval will be considered by the Chelsea Planning Commission on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, MI.

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. MAIN ST. STE. 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

Persons requiring reasonable accommodations to disabilities in order that the hearing be accessible to them, are requested to notify the Chelsea Planning Commission Chairman no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing of such disability.

CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
George Kinzer, Chair
Published March 31, 2011

LIMA TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Accuracy Test for the May 3, 2011 Special School Election, has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Lima Township Hall, 11432 Jackson Road, Lima Township, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program and computer used to record and count the votes cast at the election, meet the requirements of the law.

Ariene R. Bareis
Clerk, Lima Township
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BEGINNER INTERMEDIATE

Synopsis of the CITY OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, March 8, 2011 Washington Street Education Center

Call to Order
Mayor Linda Laier called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Consent Agenda
MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Hammer to approve minutes and bills as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approval of Regular Agenda
MOVED Feeney SECONDED Anderson to approve the regular agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comments
None

Presentations
Chelsea Area Fire Authority - Fire Chief Payeur gave a presentation on the current fire station condition and the repairs CAFA would like to get done.

Council Business
1. Utility Rate Setting Change
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Anderson to implement utility rate changes on July 1 annually to align with the City's fiscal year and general fund budget process. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

2. Insurance Agent Appointment
MOVED Feeney SECONDED Martinez-Kratz to appoint the Haniz Group as the City's new insurance agent for employee health, life and disability coverages. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Anderson to adjourn at 7:45 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approved: March 22, 2011
NOTE: This is only a synopsis of the Regular Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Clerk's Office at 305 S. Main St., Chelsea, MI or online at www.cityofchelsea.org

Respectfully submitted,
Terril Royal, Clerk
Publish March 31, 2011

SYNOPSIS OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 14, 2011

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, Trustees McKenzie and Laier. Also present several residents and guests.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to approve the Agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Havens to approve the Minutes of February 14, 2011 Regular Meeting and the March 7, 2011 Special Meeting/Work Session. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was received.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to table any action on the proposed CAFA Articles of Incorporation. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to schedule a Public Hearing on the proposed Lima Township Planning Commission Ordinance, at the meeting on April 11, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at the Lima Township Hall. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to schedule a work session with the Planning Commission regarding the proposed Pond Ordinance, on March 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., at the Township Hall. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier to table any action on Lima Township using the CACA Building lower level until the April 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier supported by McKenzie to pay bills as presented and any others as may be required. Motion carried.

Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to contact Tracy Nelsen the Chelsea Hospital, Heart and Sole Race Coordinator, to request a waiver of liability, and list Lima Township as additional insured, in the amount of \$ million dollars and allow her to request a permit from the Washtenaw County Road Commission and pay a fee, as outlined in her letter dated March 10, 2011. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Havens to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Ariene R. Bareis, Clerk
Publish March 31, 2011

SYNOPSIS OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laier. Also present several residents and guests.

Motion by Bareis, supported by McKenzie to table Journal Entries to adjust the 2010-11 budget, to the April 11, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

Supervisor called the 2011-2012 Budget Hearing to order at 5:37 p.m. revenues and expenditures were discussed, as were roads and dust control, and the bridge replacement contract. Also discussed with the mortgage payoff and a building account.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to close the 2011-2012 Lima Township Fiscal Year Budget Hearing. Motion carried.

Motion by Unterbrink, supported by Laier, to support the millage of approximately 0.819 to support the 2011-2012 Lima Township Budget, and set aside the Lima Township Fire Protection Special Assessment, as a CAFA millage has been passed for fire protection. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to approve the 2011-2012 Lima Township Requested Budget dated 03/10/2011 as amended, with anticipated revenues of \$401,500 and anticipated expenditures of \$578,612, including the building account. Motion carried.

Resolution #2011-02 to Establish Township Officers Salaries was offered by Unterbrink supported by Laier to adopt the following township officers salaries and the remain at the same level as 2010-2011. Supervisor \$24504.00 exclusive of assessing duties, Clerk \$24504.00, Treasurer \$24504 winter and summer taxes, Trustee \$3000 each of two trustees.

Ayes: Bareis, Laier, Havens, McKenzie, and Unterbrink. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Respectfully submitted,
Ariene R. Bareis, Clerk
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Center picks new director

Trinh Pifer, former executive director of the Arbor Research Collaborative for Health in Ann Arbor and current owner of the Garden Mill in Chelsea, was appointed executive director of the Chelsea Senior Citizens Activities Center.

A search committee, appointed by the Chelsea Senior Center Board of Directors, selected Pifer. Member Anne Comeau co-chaired the board.

"We interviewed an impressive group of candidates from a talented pool of applicants," said Rodney Payne, the center's board president and co-chair of the search committee.

"Ultimately, the committee chose Trinh, based on her experience, education, her record of leadership and her personal outreach skills. We're confident in Trinh's ability to engage current and prospective members of the Senior Center, and think she will establish meaningful connections for the Center with area businesses, organizations and community residents of all ages."

"We expect Trinh to bring solid direction and vitality to the Center and take it to new heights; the Board of Directors looks forward to working with her."

Pifer holds bachelor's and master's degrees in public health degree from the University of Michigan. She worked at Arbor Research Collaborative for Health (formerly the University Renal Research and Education Association) for seven years, first as a data collection manager from 1998 to 2001 and as

executive director from 2001 to 2005.

In addition, Pifer worked as a research associate at U-M Counseling and Psychological Services, worked in administration at U-M Hospitals and was a research associate at Mental Health Research Institute in Ann Arbor. She also served on the direct care staff at Courtyard Manor Assisted Living Facility in Wixom and was a science resource teacher in the U. S. Peace Corps, serving in Kathmandu, Nepal, from 1992 to 1994.

Pifer has over 15 years of experience with events planning, which will be helpful as the Chelsea Senior Center prepares to host its fifth annual Spring Business Expo on Saturday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event features over 100 businesses, nonprofit organizations, and crafters from the local area. With free admission, the event is a crowd pleaser offering crafts for sale and activities for kids. Proceeds from this fundraiser help the center provide affordable programming and valuable resources for its members.

Pifer has been an active member in the Chelsea school district and business community for more than a decade, serving as a classroom volunteer, girls soccer coach and member of various event committees, including Hometown Holidays, Sounds and Sights, and Wine, Women and Shopping. In 2009, she launched and continues to head Chelsea's Chocolate Extravaganza. Additionally, she has collaborated with the

Chelsea Area Garden Club on civic beautification projects and organized three garden walk fundraisers. She currently serves on the Chelsea First Steering Committee, several committees of the Chelsea Area Garden Club and was a board member of the Chelsea Center for the Arts for three years.

She and her husband have two school age daughters and live in Chelsea. Pifer has owned the Garden Mill in downtown Chelsea for almost six years, but is ready to return to a career in program development and the public health sector.

"I'm very excited to join the Chelsea Senior Center's team of dedicated staff, board members and volunteers," Pifer said. "The organization is committed to providing a diverse range of programs, resources, and support for its 600 plus members."

"The center is truly a valuable asset for Chelsea, and I'm looking forward to increasing our presence in the community."

As for the Garden Mill, Pifer is planning to sell the business as she moves into her new role. It is currently listed for sale with Willem Van Reesema, a local business broker in Chelsea.

As Pifer transitions into her new role at the Chelsea Senior Center, she will continue to foster the many community relationships that she has established as a resident and business owner in Chelsea.

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to give away at the pantry," Paul said. Faith in Action is rooted in the

generosity of the area churches and community organizations that gave it birth and sustain it from day-to-day with their contributions. Cousins, through his personal example, reminds us that we all have three great gifts to offer

time, talent and treasure. Three out of three, Paul. Thank you! To reserve a place at the banquet honoring Cousins, call Nancy Paul at 475-8366.

Director to leave CCA

The Chelsea Center will lose Executive Director Aubrey Thornton Martinson this month, but the center has recently gained three new team members: Sue Whitmarsh, Stefanie Dever and Lisa Park.

The three will oversee programming, assist students at the center and coordinate Chelsea Festivals.

Martinson is leaving her position as executive director to devote more time to her young children, and to assist with a new family business. She started at the CCA as program director in 2004 and has served as executive director since 2007, overseeing arts and music instruction, programs and community collaborations, including the Chelsea Festivals (Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights, Sounds & Sights Festival, HomeTown Holiday) and developed a successful programming partnership with the Chelsea District Library including the Midwest Literary Walk and the Artist in Residence program.

Martinson's last day is March 31.

"We appreciate Aubrey's devotion to the organization

and wish her much success," said CCA Board President Michele McLaughlin.

CCA's Board of Directors invites the public to a 6:30 p.m. March 30 reception at the CCA to offer Martinson best wishes and show appreciation for her dedication to the center.

A formal search for Martinson's replacement will begin in September.

To ensure a smooth transition, CCA board member and Chelsea resident Lisa Baylis Gonzalez will begin as interim executive director on April 1.

Gonzalez brings over 20 years of experience in arts and culture organizations. Her educational background includes a master's degree in business administration from the University of California, Los Angeles, with specialization in arts management.

CCA welcomes three new staff additions as of January 2011:

Sue Whitmarsh, former board member and volunteer, manages CCA's visual arts programming, collaborations and special events.

Whitmarsh has chaired several of CCA's major

fundraising events in recent years and will be a tremendous asset to the office.

Stefanie Dever manages CCA's front desk with a smile. A part of the Chelsea community since 2002, Dever's role in the front office is to welcome guests, answer questions and assist students with class registration.

Lisa Park will be working closely with the Chelsea Festivals planning committee, scheduling performers, communicating with sponsors, and being an onsite presence at the events.

Learn more about CCA's current programs and its vision by attending the organization's 8 a.m. May 11 Spring Fundraising Breakfast. "The Arts are our Future," at the Silver Maples of Chelsea.

Please RSVP to Sue Whitmarsh at 734-633-2787.

The CCA Board of Directors is always happy to accept applications for board membership. If you would like to learn more about joining the Chelsea Center for the Arts board of directors, please send a letter of interest to: questions@chelseacentertothearts.org.



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Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the main lobby of the Circuit Courthouse, Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, Michigan on Thursday the 21st day of April, 2011, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

PARCEL 1: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 36, T15, R6E, Northfield Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Described as commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 36; thence West 649.65 feet along the South line of Section 36; to the Point of Beginning; thence West 334.07 feet along said South line; thence North 00° 30' 00" East 197.22 feet; thence 47.67 feet along a curve to the left with a radius of 250.00 feet, and a chord bearing and length of North 04° 57' 47" West 47.60 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 00° 30' 00" East 13' West 230.95 feet; thence 16.29 feet along a curve to the right with a radius of 300.00 feet, and a chord bearing and length of North 08° 52' 13" West 16.29 feet; thence East 386.96 feet; thence South 00° 43' 36" West 243.25 feet; thence South 339.57 feet to the Point of Beginning; being subject to the rights of the public in Joy Road and Oak Ridge Court. Being subject to and together with the non-exclusive rights of ingress and egress over the proposed Oak Ridge Court, as described below.

PARCEL 2: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 36, T15, R6E, Northfield Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Described as commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 36; thence West 1003.72 feet along the South line of Section 36; thence North 00° 30' 00" East 197.22 feet; thence 47.67 feet along a curve to the left with a radius of 250.00 feet, and a chord bearing and length of North 04° 57' 47" West 47.60 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 00° 30' 00" East 13' West 230.95 feet; thence 16.29 feet along a curve to the right with a radius of 300.00 feet, and a chord bearing and length of North 08° 52' 13" West 16.29 feet; thence East 386.96 feet; thence South 00° 43' 36" West 243.25 feet; thence South 339.57 feet to the Point of Beginning; being subject to the rights of the public in Joy Road and Oak Ridge Court. Being subject to and together with the non-exclusive rights of ingress and egress over the proposed Oak Ridge Court, as described below.

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Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be one (1) year from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgagee is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241(a)(b) that the premises are considered abandoned and Mortgagee, Mortgagee's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming from or under one (1) of them has not given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241(a)(c) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

Dated: March 10, 2011 GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA Mortgagee

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THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael R. Lange and Shannon M. Lange, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Citimortgage, Inc., its successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 30, 2008 and recorded June 9, 2008 in Liber 4688, Page 199. Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Citimortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty and 78/100 Dollars (\$232,805.78) including interest at 6% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the or in the Main Lobby of Washtenaw County Circuit Courthouse Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, MI at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 7, 2011. Said premises are located in the Township of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot number 146, Greenfield number 2 Sub-division as recorded in Liber 33, Pages 48 through 54, of Plats, Washtenaw County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are an agent in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: March 10, 2011 Orians Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48067-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 877, 1460 ASAP# 3934429 03/10/2011, 03/17/2011, 03/24/2011, 03/31/2011

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Five and 98/100 Dollars (\$453,925.98).

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A parcel of land being part of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 14, T2S, R4E, Lima Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the center of Section 14; thence S 01°59'37" E 1303.43 feet to the N & S 1/4 line of said Section; thence the point of beginning; thence N 88°37'45" E 1316.06 feet along the E & W 1/4 line of the SE 1/4 of said Section; thence S 02°04'31" E 1068.43 feet along the N & S 1/4 line of the SE 1/4 of said Section; thence West 12.12 feet along the North right of way of highway U.S. 12 (Interstate 94) 1322.68 feet along the arc of a 11,334.19 foot radius curve to the right, having a central angle of 006°41'10" and subtended by a chord measuring N 87°18'44" W 1321.91 feet; thence N 01°59'37" W 974.84 feet along the N & S 1/4 line of said Section to the point of beginning, together with a 66 foot wide private drive and utility right of way as described below.

Sixty six (66) foot wide private drive and utility right of way; a 66 foot wide private drive and utility right of way in the SW 1/4 of Section 14, T2S, R4E, Lima Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the center of said Section said corner begin the point of beginning; thence S 01°59'37" E 1369.43 feet along the N & S 1/4 line of Section-14; thence N 88°37'45" W 66.00 feet; thence N 01°59'37" W 1369.58 feet; thence N 88°45'47" E 66.01 feet along the E and W 1/4 line of said Section; and the centerline of Easton Road to the point of beginning.

Together with all fixtures, tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances belonging or in any way appertaining to the premises.

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Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be one (1) year from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgagee is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241(a)(b) that the premises are considered abandoned and Mortgagee, Mortgagee's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming from or under one (1) of them has not given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241(a)(c) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

Dated: March 17, 2011 GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA Mortgagee

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Photos by Burrill Strong
Chelsea's Bethany Karschnick plays keep away with Dexter's Andi Kimbal last Friday night.

Bulldogs, Dreadnaughts kick things off in the cold

On a chilly sunny Friday night, somewhat resembling a Friday night football setting, the Dreads traveled to Chelsea in a non-conference meeting on the artificial turf. After last season's three ties, including the state tournament district overtime game, Dexter was looking for a little revenge.

As both teams were looking to start off with a win, the game began with a lot of energy.

The Dreads established themselves with good possession of the ball and a defense that was well organized. Chelsea's players started the game uncharacteristically with four defenders in the back allowing all-state midfielder Anna Rode more space to work with in the midfield.

Dexter continued to have more of the ball and developed some nice attacking chances but didn't get past the Bulldogs keeper. Sixteen minutes into the game, Dexter's Victoria Pepper dribbled at a Chelsea defender then placed a nice pass through to Olivia Vollmers.

With a great first touch, Vollmers set herself

up for the shot behind her defender and fired, near post, past the keeper for the Dread lead that would hold on into the halftime break.

Understanding the rivalry, Dreadnaught players continued their strong play in the second half with the defense continuing to pressure every Bulldog player with the ball.

Offensive play also kept Chelsea at odds with numerous through balls beyond their defense, but the Dreads couldn't find a way to capitalize. The lone goal held up as the game winner and a good start to the season for Dexter.

"I'm very happy with the way we played," Dexter coach Scott Forrester said. "We played very well on both sides of the ball, this early in the season. This team is young, but played with good maturity and solid game sense. With continued work, this team has very good potential to re-establish itself amongst the state's elite teams."

Last year Vollmers was brought up for state tournament play and scored two of Dexter's three goals in the loss to Chelsea.



Dexter's Jamie Verbal and Chelsea's Haley Buntan converge on the ball last Friday night.

Bulldogs off to an impressive start

In what Chelsea boys' track and field coach Eric Swager called a "great start to the season," the Bulldogs blasted out of the blocks last Saturday by taking first place at the EMU Relays in Ypsilanti.

Chelsea took first place overall with 82 points. Algonac was second with 55 points and Dearborn Divine Child was third with 49 points.

The Bulldogs took first place in two relays. The team of August Pappas, Zach Rabbitt, Bryce Bradley and James Biller took first place and the sprint medley relay team of Pappas, Christian Vosters, Luke Oliver and Mason Borders also finished first.

Pappas won the 1600 run in 4:25.6 and Bradley won the 3200 run in 12:35. In the pole vault, Mike Hovater took second (12 feet, 6 inches) and Travis

Boys track

Weiss took fourth (11 feet). In the 60 hurdles, Borders took second (8.64) and Oliver was third in the 60 dash (7.28).

The shuttle hurdles relay team of McGrath, Vosters, Borders and James Rebuldela was second.

The 4x200 relay team of Oliver, Logan Yordanich, McGrath and Rebuldela was fifth.

"It was nice to have a full squad competing this early," Swager said. "I am encouraged by our overall fitness level, and I am glad that the team found some early season success."

"We hope to use this as a motivator and way to get the whole team excited about the season."

The other FINAL FOUR



Wolverine senior Carl Hagelin (right) gets a hug from a teammate during a successful season for U-M hockey. Michigan will be going to its 24th Frozen Four.

UM hockey beats Colorado to go to 24th Frozen Four

Behind first-period goals from senior forward Scooter Vaughan (Placentia, Calif.) and sophomore defenseman Lee Moffle (Wallingford, Conn.), and 21 saves from senior goaltender Shawn Hunwick (Sterling Heights, Mich.), the University of Michigan ice hockey team (No. 6 USA Today/No. 6 USCHO) punched its ticket to the Frozen Four with a 2-1 victory over No. 13 Colorado College (No. 13 USA Today/No. 13 USCHO) in the NCAA West Regional final on Saturday (March 26) inside Scottrade Center.

U-M is making its 24th trip - most recently in 2008 - to college hockey's final four. The Michigan penalty kill nearly eradicated the sixth-best power-play unit in the country, allowing only one goal on six attempts. Michigan poured on 43 shots while allowing the Tigers just 22.

Vaughan notched the game's opening marker at 2:23. Moffle moved the puck ahead to a streaking Vaughan down the left-hand boards. Moving in, Vaughan circumvented a Tiger defender on his backhand before shifting the puck to his forehand and flipping it up and over the left shoulder of Colorado College goaltender Joe Howe for the tally.

A slew of penalties on both teams eventually resulted in a five-on-three power play for U-M. Moffle ripped a shot that was initially stopped, but the rebound

was directed back toward him for another attempt.

His second shot ricocheted off a Tiger defender and trickled past Howe to double Michigan's lead.

After a scoreless middle stanza, Colorado College got on the board at 16:25 of the final frame after Rylan Schwartz emerged from a scrum in front of the U-M cage with the puck and an empty net to draw the Tigers within a single goal, 2-1.

Colorado College pulled its goalie with 46 seconds to play in the game for the extra attacker.

However, U-M's defense held strong as Hunwick made a last-second wrap-around save to seal the deal and send Michigan to the Frozen Four.

Hunwick was named the regional's Most Outstanding Player and was joined on the all-tournament team by U-M defenseman Moffle and Greg Pateryn (Sterling Heights, Mich.) and Wolverine forward Kevin Lynch (Grosse Pointe, Mich.). The other forwards were Colorado College's Jaden Schwartz and Boston College's Cam Atkinson.

The Wolverines will take on the Fighting Sioux of North Dakota in the NCAA Frozen Four semifinal on Thursday, April 7, in St. Paul, Minn.

North Dakota is seeded No. 1 overall in the tournament.

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2010-11 ALL-AREA HERITAGE WRESTLING TEAM

Manchester's Vleck is coach of the year

By Dave Merchant
Heritage Media

The Heritage West coverage area had quite a bit of success with high school wrestling this past winter, but the Flying Dutch took it to another level.

Manchester's team was eliminated in the team state semifinals by Hudson, which went on to win the team title. Individually, the team had seven wrestlers make it to the state finals in Division 4 at the Palace of Auburn Hills, four of which were named to the All-State team.

Leading the way was Manchester coach Steve Vleck, named Heritage's Coach of the Year.

"I started coaching wrestling in 1987 as the junior high coach," Vleck said. "This was my 20th year coaching the varsity team. This year's team was right up there with one of the best groups I have ever had."

He said that this team and his team from 2008 were both "special."

"This year I had a special group with nine seniors and most of the time we had five or six of them in the lineup," he said. "They were unselfish and I had three seniors on the team that would step up every time I needed them."

Vleck said that 40-man team was one of the biggest he has coached.

"Each year has its own ups and downs," he said. "It was a new experience this year. I am going to lose a great class but I am excited for next year since this season I had 17 sophomores and three juniors."

Ryan Abrigo (119 pounds) and Johnny Woollams (145 pounds) both took second at the state meet for individuals. Austin Deacons (125 pounds) was third and Austin Hamilton (215 pounds) was sixth. Three other wrestlers qualified for the state meet for the Flying Dutchmen and did not finish

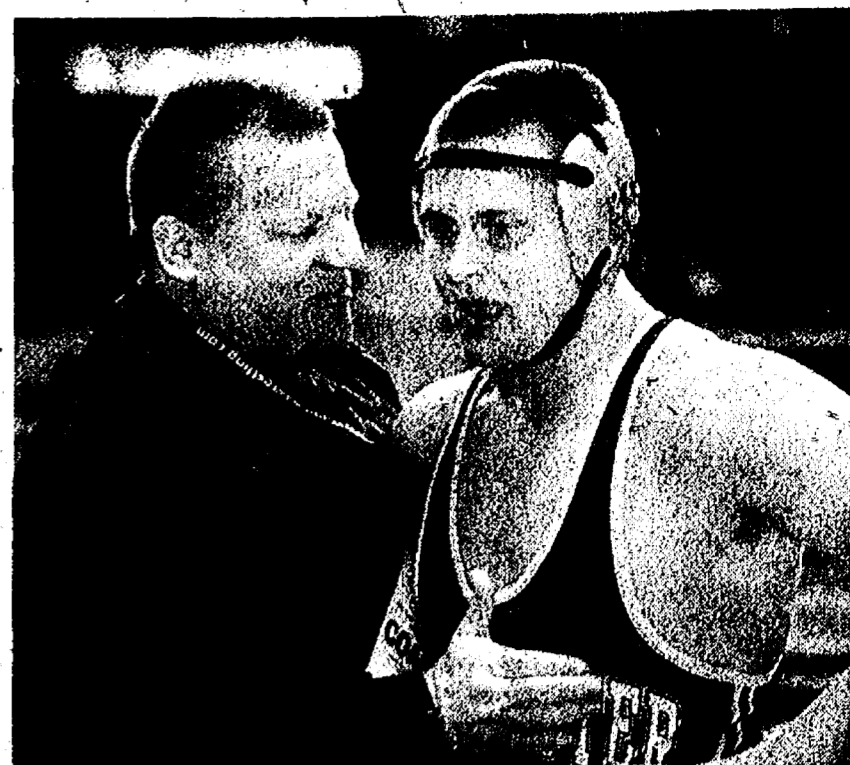
in the top eight.

In high school, Vleck wrestled for former coach Dan Jordan. He brought him back a few years later to help him with the high school and junior high wrestling program. After Jordan left, he suggested Vleck as the new head coach and he was given the position.

Vleck said that the seniors who graduated this year were a pretty special group.

"The seniors have gone 141-16 in dual meets for me in four years," he said. They were four-time league champs and this season they went 38-3 in duals before losing in the semifinals to Hudson. The state meet was a high point.

"It is a good feeling to have that many wrestlers make it to the state meet," he said. "With that many guys at the meet you don't get to watch a lot of wrestling. You spend a lot of time in the tunnel getting ready."



Manchester coach Steve Vleck talks with Austin Hamilton during the individual state meet at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

2010-11 All-Area Heritage wrestling team

Coach of the Year: Steve Vleck, Manchester
Wrestlers of the Year: Tim Sims, Milan; Ryan Abrigo, Manchester; Johnny Woollams, Manchester

Honorable Mention

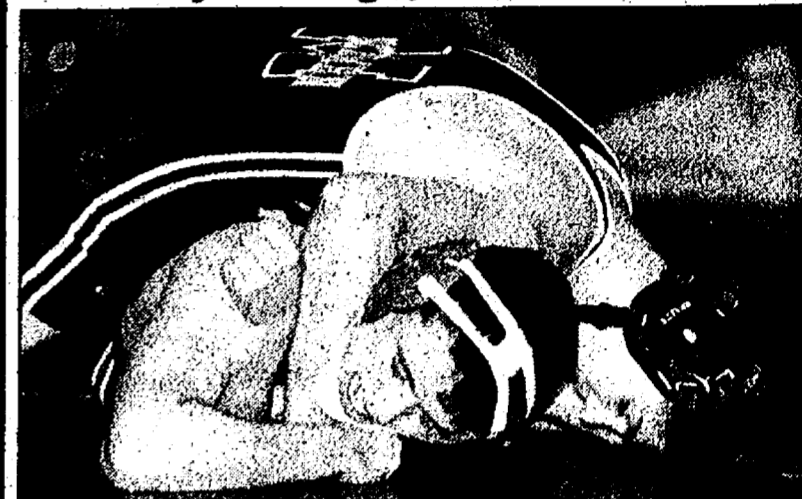
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Tim Sims, Milan



Senior Tim Sims (152 pounds) went into the state meet with a perfect record. He finished the season with a 59-1 record and a pin of Dexter's Drew Barnes to take third in the state.

Ryan Abrigo, Manchester



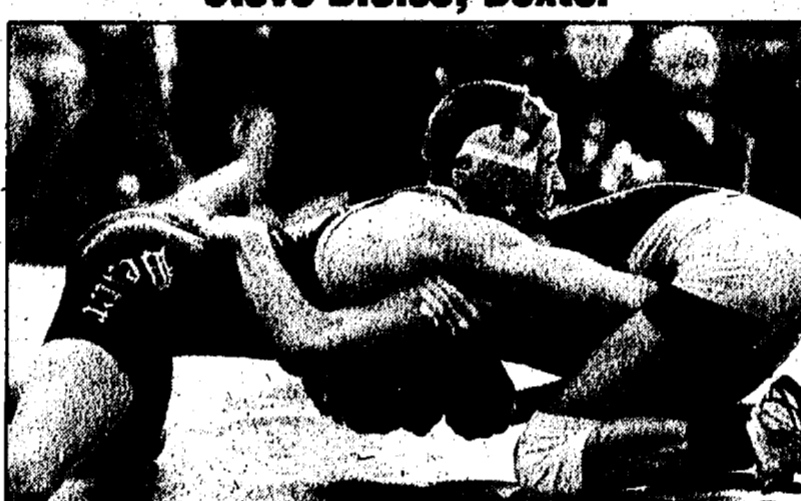
Manchester senior Ryan Abrigo (119 pounds) went perfect on the season (63-0) before losing in the state finals to Matt Mata of Marietta by a score of 5-1.

Drew Barnes, Dexter



Dexter junior Drew Barnes (152 pounds) finished his season with a 52-9 record. He made it to the Palace and took fourth place, losing by pin to Milan wrestler Tim Sims in the finals.

Steve Bleise, Dexter



Dexter's Steve Bleise (103 pounds) earned his first trip to the states and finished fifth. His record was 52-9. He defeated JaQuan Moore at the state meet 4-3 to take the fifth.

Adam Bruley, Saline



Saline's Adam Bruley (112 pounds) finished his season at the state meet. Bruley, a sophomore, lost each of his first two matches and finished with a record of 39-17.

Austin Deacons, Manchester



Manchester senior Austin Deacons (125 pounds) finished third in the Division 4 class at the state meet. Deacons beat Cody Kimbell of Addison 2-1 to earn the third-place finish.

Dillon Farrell, Milan



Milan's Dillon Farrell (145 pounds) finished with a record of 23-8 on the season. Farrell lost in the finals to Matt Galvin of Adrian and finished sixth in the state.

Austin Hamilton, Manchester



Manchester junior Austin Hamilton (215 pounds) finished with a season record of 47-14. He lost to Brett Martin of Heperia in the finals to finish sixth in the state.

Andrew Nold, Chelsea



Chelsea senior Andrew Nold (140 pounds) went 1-2 at the state meet at the Palace. The only Bulldog to reach the state meet, Nold finished his season with a 46-16 record.

Eddie Nuttall, Lincoln



Lincoln senior Eddie Nuttall (140 pounds) finished in eighth place in the state with a loss to Dakota Juarez of Grand Haven 4-2. He finished with a record of 50-17.

Brendan Papin, Belleville



Belleville senior Brendan Papin (135 pounds) was one of the most successful Belleville wrestlers in recent history. He finished in fifth place at the state meet and had a 47-4 record.

Matt Schultz, Milan



Milan senior Matt Schultz (215 pounds) competed in the state finals despite wrestling with an injured shoulder. He finished the season with a record of 47-10.

Trey Sweeney, Ypsilanti



Ypsilanti senior Trey Sweeney (215 pounds) finished the season in fifth place in Division 1. He beat Carlos Harbin of Highland Park by pin in his final match. He finished 56-7.

Johnny Woollams, Manchester



Manchester's Johnny Woollams (145 pounds) finished the season with a record of 55-8. He finished second in the state, falling to Joel Varney of Hudson in the finals 7-5.

Girls track off and running

The Chelsea girls' track and field team performed well in their opening meet as the Bulldogs finished second to defending Division 2 state champions Divine Child.

The Bulldogs finished with 74.33 points, second only to Divine Child with 106 points. Flint Southwestern was third (61 points) and St. Clair fourth (47).

Distance coach Eric

Swager's group, which had trained hard all winter and were ready to go, led the way with a win in the distance medley, a second in the 3200 relay and two places in the 1600 and 3200 runs.

Shane Rodriguez's pole vaulters Lauren Dark (9 feet, 6 inches) and Elaine Johnson (9 feet) were one-two in that event.

The sprint medley team of

Megan Hall, Emily Cottrell, Corinne Carpenter and Danielle Dahl also won in a convincing fashion in 4 minutes, 23 seconds.

One of the best early season performance was turned in by the 800 relay team (Grace Sauers, Hall, Cottrell and Carpenter) which ran 1:48.2 and finished second.

The Bulldogs host Tecumseh on April 12.



Big Ten forms hockey league

By Mike Larson
Heritage Media

The directors of athletics of Big Ten institutions which sponsor men's ice hockey unanimously announce their intention to recommend to the Big Ten Council of Presidents/Chancellors in June the establishment of men's ice hockey as an official conference sport for the 2013-14 academic year with participation by Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Ohio State, Penn State and Wisconsin.

The recommendation includes both the establishment of the inaugural Big Ten Men's Ice Hockey Tournament in March of 2014, with the winner earning the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Men's Ice Hockey Championship, and a 20-game conference schedule with each

team playing the other five schools four times (two home games and two away games). In addition, the Big Ten's men's ice-hockey programs will continue to proactively work to maintain a strong schedule of non-conference competition with the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) and Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA).

In September of 2010, Penn State announced the establishment of men's and women's ice hockey programs set to begin competition in the 2012-13 academic year, giving the Big Ten six institutions sponsoring men's ice hockey. Big Ten rules allow for a conference championship when six institutions sponsor a program in any given sport.

Since Penn State's announcement, the conference has researched and investigated

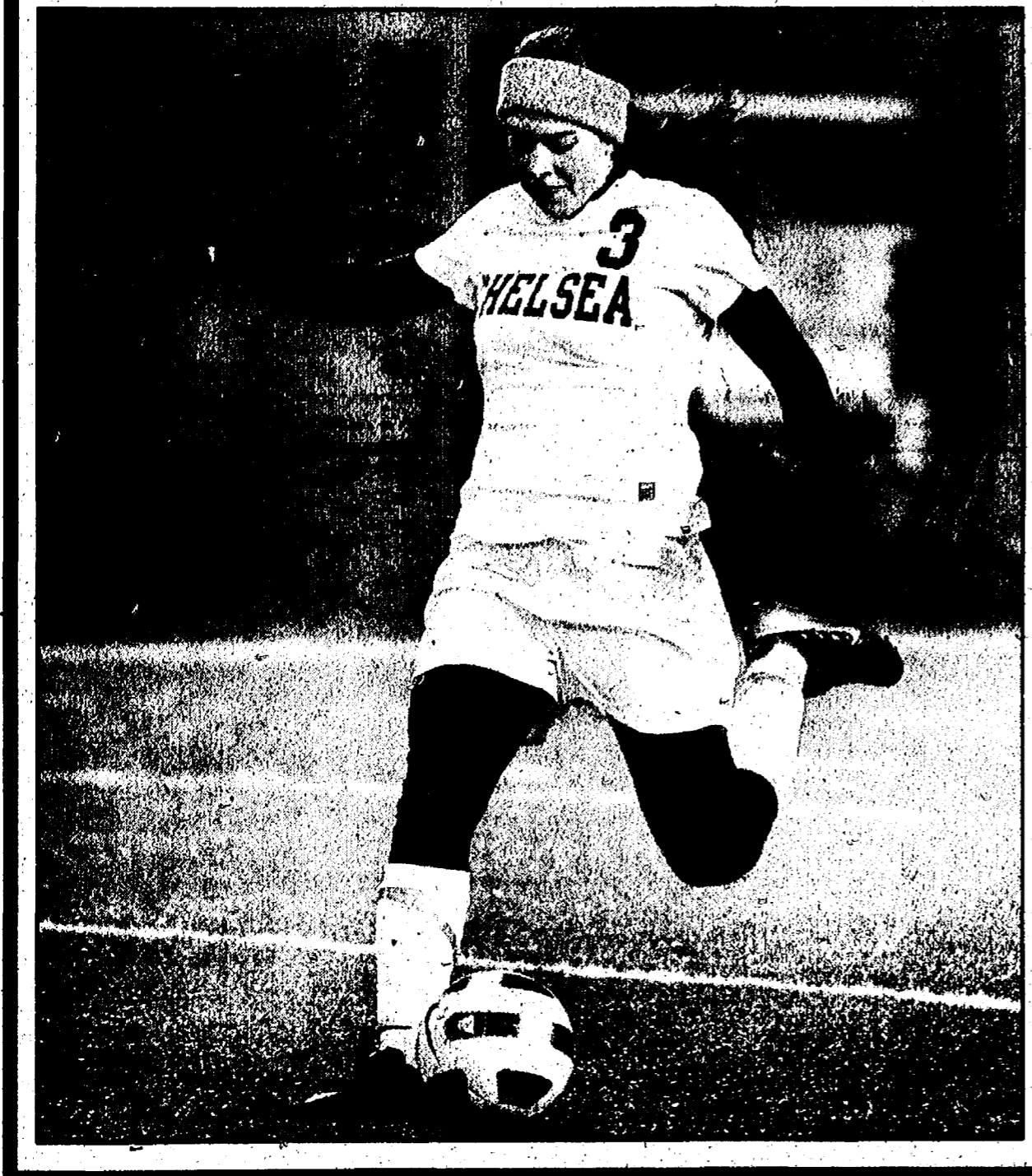
the establishment of men's ice hockey as a conference sport. The conference has sought input and communicated both internally with conference chancellors, presidents, administrators and coaches, and externally with members of the hockey community, including the CCHA and WCHA.

With the addition of Nebraska on July 1, 2011, the broad-based athletic programs of the 12 Big Ten institutions will sponsor 298 teams with more than 9,500 men and women student-athletes competing for Big Ten Championships. The conference currently features 25 official conference sports, 12 for men and 13 for women. The last official conference sport established by the Big Ten was women's rowing in the 1999-2000 academic year.



Photos by Burrill Strong

Chelsea's Halley Dixon (above) and Rachel Cooperrider (below) get their kicks in last Friday against visiting Dexter.



JV soccer team opens with a 0-0 tie

The Chelsea junior varsity soccer team opened its season last Friday with a game against rival Dexter. The two teams played in extremely cold weather and battled to a scoreless tie.

"We knew going into the game that it would be a challenging competition because of previous years," Chelsea coach Kirsten Smart said. "I am so proud with how the girls performed."

"After only a few practices with the JV girls, they looked like they were comfortable in their positions and our formation. Our defense

looked very strong."

The Chelsea defense, led by sophomore Olivia Rowland, Molley Merkel and Autumn Johnson, freshman Madisen Powell and junior Sarah Schultz, helped keep the Dreadnaughts off the scoreboard.

"Our midfield put up a fight, and sent the ball to our forwards," Smart said. "Unfortunately, we were unable to find the back of the net. We'll continue to work on our ball control, formation, transitions and finishing as the season moves forward."

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Bird dogs put to their paces in 'Fun Trial'

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They're both very proud of their facility which boasts approximately 80 acres of beautiful meadows, ponds, streams, hardwoods and marshlands. It's the hilly terrain that really makes this farm so spectacular; the views alone are worth the drive.

I've always known that Colonial Farms was in Chelsea but had never hunted or visited there.

That all changed when I received an invitation from Vicki to check out their annual "Fun Trial."

The Fun Trial is sponsored by the Ruffed Grouse Society (RGS) and Colonial Farms was hosting this particular event.

So, what is a "Fun Trial" and what does it entail? That was the question and here's where the story begins.

A Fun Trial is a competition, in which, bird dogs are scored on their ability to point or flush out game birds.

The final score is derived on how the dog find birds, holds point or flushes, the hunter shooting the bird and how the dog retrieves the bird to the hunter.

Sounds simple, right? Think again.

The catch regarding this Fun Trial is that two sets of dogs/hunters are going at the same time.

There are two sets of dogs, hunters and two judges. Invariably, one dog is usually more disciplined than the other dog and that's just one of many aspects of this competition.

There were 34 groups in this competition and two were going at a time. Each round is called a

brace and there were a total of 17 braces this day.

I went out on 7 braces and quickly picked up on what it takes to be a good bird hunter and dog trainer.

It was humbling to watch the dogs run back and forth through the tall grasses.

They're finding the birds by scent; therefore they're sniffing and searching into the wind.

Different dog trainers would use whistles, silent hand motions or verbal commands to make their dogs search in specific directions or to come closer.

It was amazing to see how well some of these dogs worked the fields; especially when you consider that their amateur bird dogs.

Many contestants came from all over the state for this event.

However, I was very surprised to see quite a few groups from Ann Arbor.

It was Brad Utrup who took first place in the Pointer Division. My son and I happened to watch Brad and his Irish Setter work the fields.

I had a chance to talk with Brad while walking the fields; he works for the DNR and has a passion for the outdoor shooting sports which include being a member of the Ruffed Grouse Society.

Ricky and I couldn't stay for the entire event but we had a great time being there.

You can check out Colonial farms at www.colonialfarmsllc.com should you want to train your dogs there or simply enjoy a day in the field hunting a variety of game birds.

You can also check out www.ruffedgrousesociety.org and see if becoming a member might work for you.

There are many more "Fun Trials" this year you can attend if you're interested in competing with your own dog.

Or you can be a spectator and see these marvelous dogs in action like we did; you won't be disappointed.

Please visit the above mentioned websites for dates and

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ABOVE: Local hunter Brad Utrup and his dog "on Point." "You can actually see the chukar on the ground just before it took off," said Rick Taylor, who took the photo. BELOW: Outdoors writer Rick Taylor took this photo of a bird known as a chukar. "It was hiding in plain sight and my son saw it so I used my telephoto lens and took the picture," Taylor said.



times. It's important to note that the Ruffed Grouse Society (RGS) works to enhance wildlife habitat, restoration and education.

The same can be said for Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever and many other non-profit organizations.

The point here is that its hunters who are putting up their money for habitat restoration thru donations and annual membership dues.

Other monies come from license fees and excise taxes on hunting apparel, etc...

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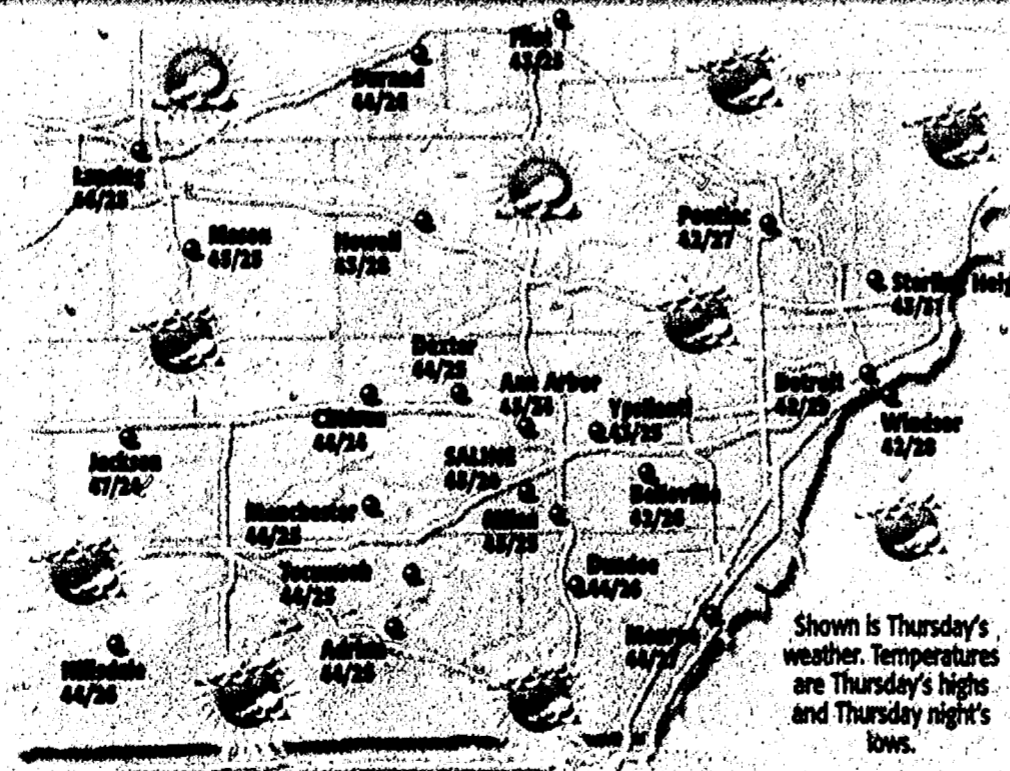
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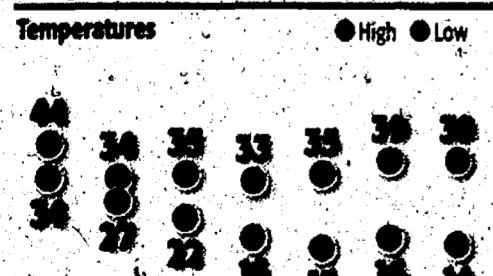
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Berlin	58/46/sh	62/54/r	68/53/pc	Moscow	33/22/s	39/38/pc	45/36/r
Buenos Aires	84/59/s	79/57/pc	81/57/pc	Paris	62/52/sh	68/51/c	75/54/s
Cairo	84/69/s	90/70/c	82/62/pc	Rio de Janeiro	81/72/sh	82/74/r	85/76/s
Calgary	45/24/c	52/32/c	41/28/sn	Rome	68/48/s	69/52/r	71/54/s
Hong Kong	70/65/c	78/69/s	80/69/s	Seoul	63/36/s	55/35/s	57/31/c
Jerusalem	76/57/s	81/61/s	73/56/pc	Singapore	87/78/sh	89/77/r	87/77/sh
Johannesburg	80/57/pc	78/54/pc	71/54/l	Sydney	73/57/sh	78/58/pc	80/58/sh
London	61/48/sh	63/46/pc	61/45/pc	Tokyo	60/45/pc	59/49/s	58/57/c
Mexico City	81/50/pc	79/47/pc	77/48/s	Warsaw	58/44/sh	57/44/sh	53/43/r

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Atlanta	58/42/r	61/42/sh	70/46/s	Miami	86/72/s	82/67/pc	84/65/s
Boston	46/34/pc	45/35/r	49/34/sh	Minneapolis	49/34/r	47/33/c	53/37/s
Chicago	48/31/pc	51/30/c	53/38/s	New Orleans	71/58/r	78/58/c	76/63/s
Cincinnati	48/30/pc	52/35/pc	53/39/pc	New York City	48/40/sh	45/36/r	51/35/sh
Cleveland	45/31/pc	41/28/c	43/29/c	Orlando	83/58/r	80/60/pc	79/56/s
Dallas	75/52/pc	77/58/s	83/66/s	Philadelphia	49/39/sh	46/35/r	53/36/sh
Denver	69/37/pc	73/41/s	78/42/pc	Phoenix	93/65/s	95/68/s	92/64/s
Honolulu	84/70/s	83/70/s	84/69/s	Pittsburgh	42/30/r	43/30/r	43/32/sn
Houston	77/56/s	81/56/s	82/63/s	St. Louis	54/40/c	57/39/pc	60/49/s
Kansas City	56/38/r	59/39/pc	65/54/s	San Francisco	73/53/s	66/52/pc	61/46/c
Las Vegas	84/63/s	88/67/s	84/53/pc	Seattle	57/46/r	50/37/r	51/38/sh
Los Angeles	89/58/s	82/58/s	72/56/pc	Wash., DC	49/40/r	52/38/sh	54/39/pc

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS



SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Thursday	7:20 a.m.	7:59 p.m.
Friday	7:19 a.m.	8:00 p.m.
Saturday	7:17 a.m.	8:01 p.m.
Sunday	7:15 a.m.	8:03 p.m.
Monday	7:13 a.m.	8:04 p.m.
Tuesday	7:12 a.m.	8:05 p.m.
Wednesday	7:10 a.m.	8:06 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	5:43 a.m.	5:33 p.m.
Friday	6:06 a.m.	6:32 p.m.
Saturday	6:29 a.m.	7:31 p.m.
Sunday	6:52 a.m.	8:31 p.m.
Monday	7:18 a.m.	9:31 p.m.
Tuesday	7:47 a.m.	10:32 p.m.
Wednesday	8:20 a.m.	11:32 p.m.

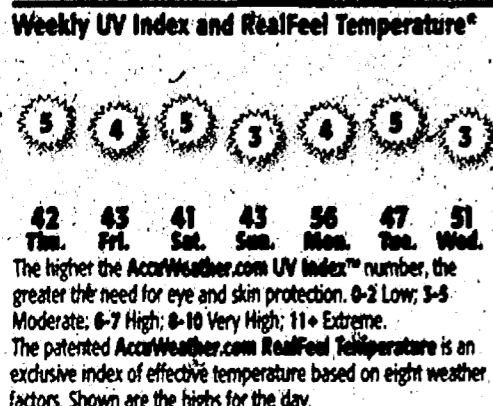
RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday	Flood stage	Current stage
Ecorse Creek	-----	-----
Dearborn Heights	-----	2.46 ft
Merion River	-----	-----
Ann Arbor	-----	16 ft
Mallets Creek	-----	13.73 ft
Ain Arbor	-----	-----
Mill Creek	-----	3.45 ft
Dexter	-----	12 ft
River Raisin	-----	7.35 ft
Manchester	-----	4.11 ft

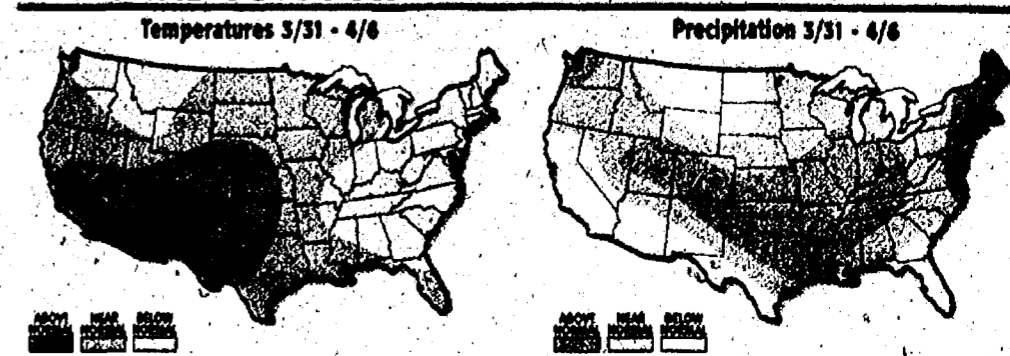
LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	580.11 ft	571.24 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	573.30 ft

THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS



NATIONAL OUTLOOK



Total Bottom Line Savings
Country Market

/Check & Compare - You'll Save More at Country Market Everyday!



HAVE YOU TRIED
 OUR NEW DELI MEATS?
 STOP BY & ASK FOR A SAMPLE!
 NEW TO OUR DELIS!
 GLUTEN FREE. NO FILLERS.
 BINDERS OR MSG!

USDA CHOICE MEATS



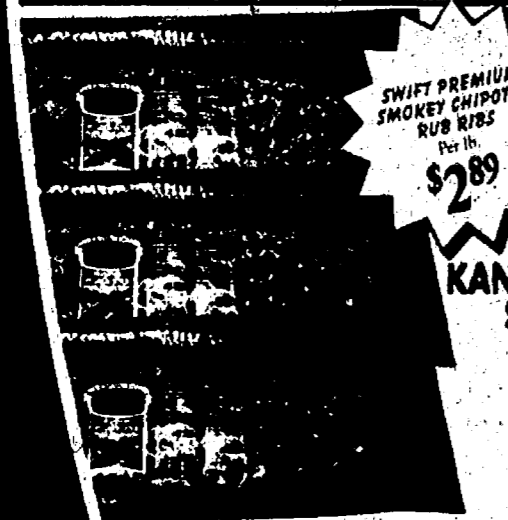
Amish Country
 All Natural
**CHICKEN
 DRUMSTICKS
 OR THIGHS**

89¢
 LB.



93% Lean
**BUTTERBALL
 FRESH
 GROUND
 TURKEY**
 16 oz.

2/\$4



SWIFT PREMIUM
 SMOKEY CHIPOTLE
 RUB RIBS
\$2.89
 Per lb.

Swift Premium
**KANSAS CITY RUB
 ST. LOUIS RIBS**
\$2.89
 LB.



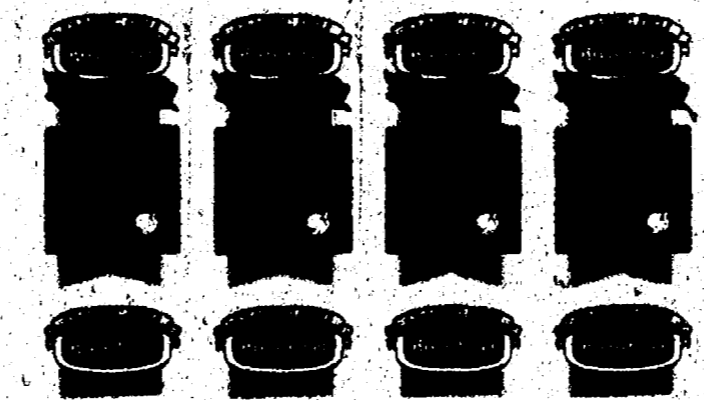
**KRETSCHMAR
 HAM OFF THE
 BONE**
 Original or Honey

\$5.44
 LB.



**KRETSCHMAR
 TURKEY OFF THE
 BONE**
 Original or Honey

\$6.44
 LB.



**KRETSCHMAR
 MILD CHEDDAR
 CHEESE**

\$5.89
 LB.



**KRETSCHMAR
 BEEF BOLOGNA**

\$4.29
 LB.


Sale prices effective Wednesday March 30 thru Tuesday April 5, 2011

MICHIGAN LOTTERY		PACKAGED LIQUOR		DOUBLE COUPONS TO 50¢		CHEK YOUR FAVORITE LOCATION FOR STORE HOURS	
JACKSON 201 PEEK AVENUE 317-723-8726 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM	JACKSON 1210 W. PALMALL RD. 317-796-6005 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM	JACKSON 1827 SHREVE KANSAS RD. 317-733-5323 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM	JACKSON 3117 FERGUSON RD. 317-787-8096 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM	CHELSEA 1235 S. WALSH ST. 734-433-0130 STORE HOURS 8 AM - MIDNIGHT	BROOKLYN 11061 BROOKLYN RD. 317-392-4040 STORE HOURS 8 AM - MIDNIGHT	SALINE 1335 E. MICHIGAN AVE. 734-244-7171 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM	ADRIAN 1535 W. MAJUMBE 317-263-4100 STORE HOURS 8 AM - MIDNIGHT
ADRIAN 1392 E. ADRIAN HWY. 317-263-0340 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM	DEXTER 7001 AMH. ALBERT TRAILER RD. 734-434-0000 STORE HOURS 7 AM - 11 PM						

ALL NATURAL & ORGANIC FOODS

SELECT GREAT SERVICE... SELECT COUNTRY MARKET

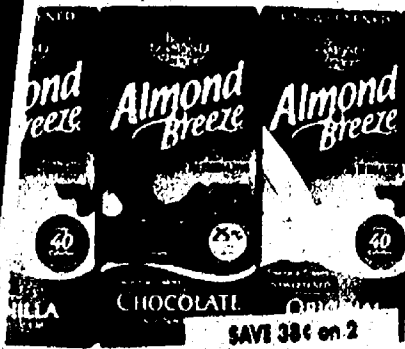
ORGANIC VALLEY PREMIUM ORGANIC MILK
Half Gallon
Selected Varieties



SAVE 1.98 on 2

2/\$6

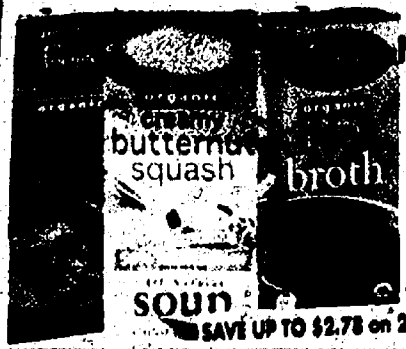
BLUE DIAMOND ALMOND BREEZE
32 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE 38¢ on 2

2/\$4

PACIFIC NATURAL BROTHS & ORGANIC SOUPS
32 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE UP TO \$2.78 on 2

2/\$4


KETTLE BRAND TIAS! TORTILLA CHIPS
8 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.98 on 2

2/\$4

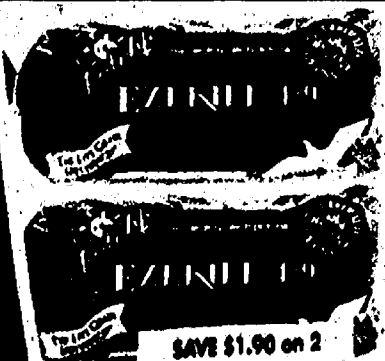
KETTLE BRAND CHIPS
14 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.90 on 2

2/\$6

EZEKIEL ORGANIC BREADS
24 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.90 on 2

2/\$6

SAVE 75¢

KELLOGG'S POP TARTS
12 ct. Family Size
Selected Varieties



\$2.44

SAVE UP TO \$2.31

KELLOGG'S FAMILY SIZE CEREALS
Special K 18 oz.,
Raisin Bran 25.5 oz.,
Frosted Mini Wheats 20.4 oz.,
Frosted Bite Size Mini Wheats 24 oz.,
Frosted Flakes 23 oz.,
Corn Flakes 24 oz.



\$2.44

SAVE 95¢

AUNT MILLIE'S ENGLISH MUFFINS
6 ct.
Selected Varieties



\$1.44

SAVE 99¢

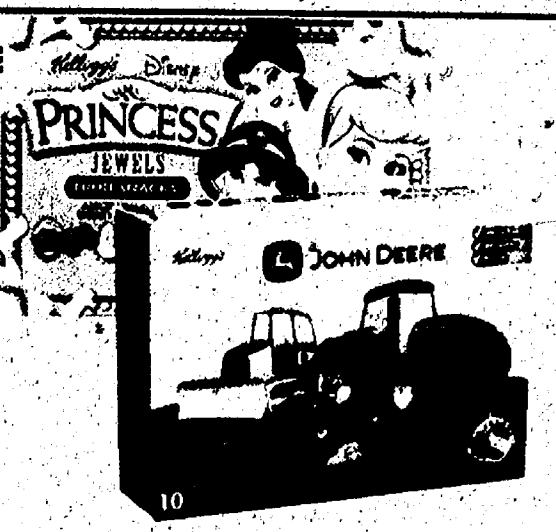
PETER PAN PEANUT BUTTER
15 oz.
Selected Varieties



\$1.44

LIMIT 4 PLEASE
SAVE \$1.35


KELLOGG'S FRUIT SNACKS
9 - 10.8 oz.
Selected Varieties



\$1.44

LIMIT 2 PLEASE
SAVE \$2.26 ON 2

PILLSBURY CAKE MIX
18.25 - 18.9 oz.
Selected Varieties



2/\$4.44

PILLSBURY FROSTING
Selected Varieties
12 - 16 oz.
\$1.44
SAVE 41¢

Rock Bottom Pricing!

KRAFT MAC & CHEESE SHAPES
5.25 - 5.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



44¢

LIMIT 4 PLEASE
SAVE 75¢

SELECT LOWER PRICES... SELECT COUNTRY MARKET

SAVE \$1.95

AUNT MILLIE'S HOMESTYLE BREADS
24 oz.
Selected Varieties


\$1.04



SAVE 81¢

OLD ORCHARD SELECTED APPLE JUICE BLENDS
64 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.44



OUR FAMILY APPLE JUICE
64 oz.

\$1.44

SAVE \$1.15



BETTY CROCKER HELPER 20% MORE FREE BONUS PACK
Cheeseburger Mac 7.2 oz.,
Three Cheese 7.2 oz.,
Beef Pasta 6.7 oz.,
Tuna Creamy Broccoli 7.2 oz.

\$1.00


THESE FOUR VARIETIES ONLY WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!



SAVE \$1.54 ON 2

CREAMETTE PASTA
12 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$1.44




OUR FAMILY CHUNK LIGHT TUNA
5 oz. In Water

44¢

SAVE 31¢

LENTEN SPECIAL!



OUR FAMILY CANNED PINK SALMON
14.75 oz.

3/\$4.44

SAVE \$3.03 on 3

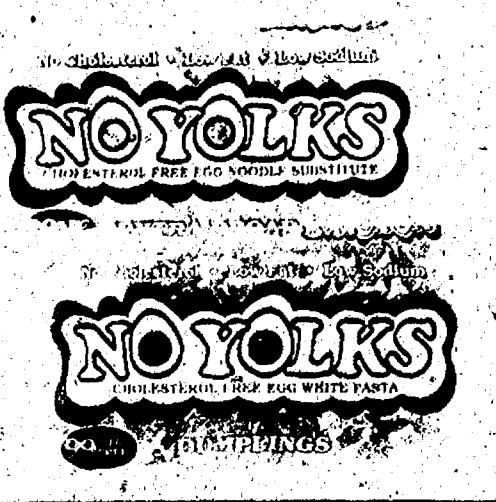
LENTEN SPECIAL!



SAVE 55¢

NO YOLKS PREMIUM NOODLES
12 oz.
Selected Varieties

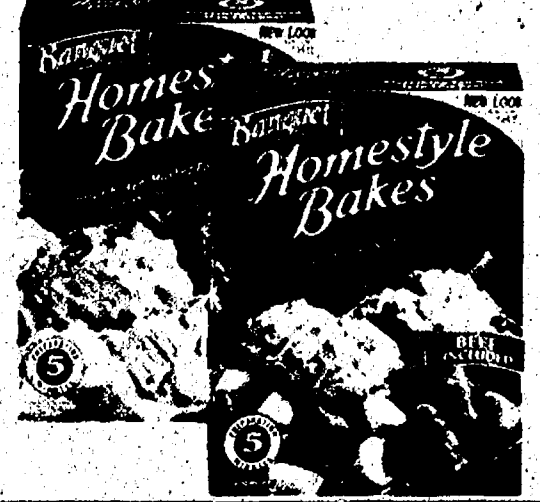
\$1.44



SAVE \$2.05

BANQUET HOMESTYLE BAKES
28.2 - 35.7 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44



OUR FAMILY CANNED MUSHROOMS
4 oz.

3/\$4.44

SAVE 63¢ on 3

LENTEN SPECIAL!




OUR FAMILY FAMILY SIZE MAC & CHEESE
14.5 oz.

4/\$3.44

SAVE \$2.12 on 4

LENTEN SPECIAL!



Rock Bottom Pricing!

KEEBLER COOKIE SALE
FUDGE SHOPPE, EL FUDGE, CHIPS DELUXE, BAKER'S TREASURES, VANILLA WAFERS, SOFT BATCH, VIENNA, ICED ANIMALS
6.6 - 18 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.44

LIMIT 4 PLEASE
SAVE UP TO \$2.25



OUR FAMILY WATER
24 Pk. 1/2 Liter Bottles

\$3.44

SAVE 93¢



OUR FAMILY BRANDS

CON-AGRA APRIL FOOLS 4/\$4 SALE ALL MONTH LONG!

April Fools Days

Prices Good All Month Long! No Fooling!
Buy Any & All of These Items for \$1 All Month Long!

SAVE \$1.00
ON 4

VAN CAMP'S
BEANEE
WEENEE
7.75 oz.

4/\$4



SAVE \$3.72
ON 4

VAN CAMP'S
PORK & BEANS
28 oz.
Selected Varieties

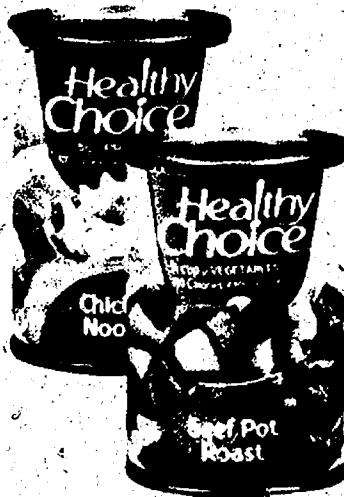
4/\$4



SAVE \$4.00
ON 4

HEALTHY
CHOICE
SOUPS
15 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE UP TO
\$1.96 ON 4

CHEF BOYARDEE
PASTA WITH
MEAT / SAUCE
7.25 - 15 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE \$1.40
ON 4

HUNT'S
SPAGHETTI
SAUCE
26 - 26.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE \$2.60
ON 4

HUNT'S
BBQ SAUCE
21.6 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE \$2.00
ON 4

HUNT'S
KETCHUP
24 oz.

4/\$4



SAVE \$2.00
ON 4

HUNT'S
MANWICH
15.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE \$2.00
ON 4

HUNT'S
TOMATOES
14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE \$2.00
ON 4

HUNT'S
SNACK PACKS
4 ct.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE \$1.00
ON 4

CRUNCH'
N MUNCH
4 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



SAVE 76¢
ON 4

SLIM
JIM
4 PK.
Mild or Original

4/\$4



PRICE GOOD
ALL OF APRIL

BLUE BONNET
MARGARINE
15 oz.

4/\$4



PRICE GOOD
ALL OF APRIL

BANQUET
ENTREE
VALUE MEALS
5 - 10.25
Selected Varieties

4/\$4



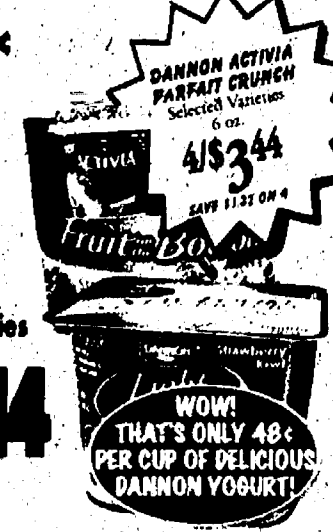
SAVE 81¢ ON 3

DANNON YOGURT
6 oz.
Selected Varieties

3/\$4.44

WOW! THAT'S ONLY 48¢ PER CUP OF DELICIOUS DANNON YOGURT!

DANNON ACTIVIA PARFAIT CRUNCH
Selected Varieties
6 oz.
4/\$3.44
SAVE \$1.32 ON 4



SAVE \$1.15

WELCH'S PREMIUM CHILLED 100% GRAPE JUICE
59 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44

100% White Grape Juice
100% Grape Juice



SAVE UP TO 95¢

DUTCH FARMS SOUR CREAM & CHIP DIP
16 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.04

SOUR CREAM
FRENCH ONION



Rock Bottom Pricing!

SAVE UP TO \$1.49

DUTCH FARMS CHEESE SLICES
8 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.44

HAVE YOU TRIED DUTCH FARMS BRANDS YET?

PROVOLONE
CHEDDAR

FARM FRESH DAIRY



SAVE \$2.31

SARGENTO SNACK CHEESE STICKS
13.5 oz. Family Pack
Selected Varieties

\$4.44

New! FRIDGE PACK 18
String Cheese



SAVE \$1.51

FLORIDA'S NATURAL JUICE
59 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44

Florida's Natural
Squeezed from Florida Fruit



SAVE \$2.15

DUTCH FARMS CHEESE SHREDDS
2 lb. Value Pack
Selected Varieties

\$5.44



SAVE UP TO \$1.91

HOMER ICE CREAM
6
FASHIONED

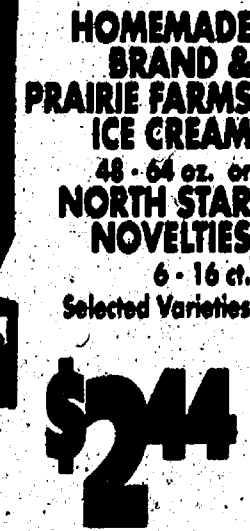
\$2.44

airie Farms



HOMEMADE BRAND & PRAIRIE FARMS ICE CREAM
48 - 64 oz. or
NORTH STAR NOVELTIES
6 - 16 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44



SAVE \$1.49

STOUFFER'S SAUTES
24 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$5.44




SAVE 75¢

MC CAIN POTATOES
16 - 26 oz..
Selected Varieties

\$2.44

Roaster's
Golden Crisp



SAVE \$1.56

TOMBSTONE PREMIUM FROZEN PIZZA
16 - 29.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$3.44


TOMBSTONE GARLIC BREAD PIZZA
TOMBSTONE ORIGINAL
DELUXE



LEAN CUISINE

WOW! THAT'S ONLY \$1.72 PER LEAN CUISINE ENTREE!

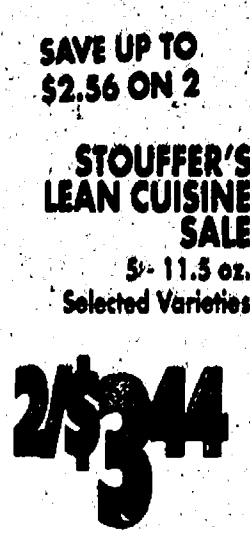
2/\$3.44



SAVE UP TO \$2.56 ON 2

STOUFFER'S LEAN CUISINE SALE
5 - 11.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$3.44



SAVE \$3.05

VAN DE KAMP'S & MRS. PAUL'S FISH FILLETS
14 - 25.4 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$3.44

Lenten Special!



SAVE \$4.04 ON 4

BIRDS EYE FROZEN FRESH VEGGIES
12 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$3.44

BIRDS EYE
WOW! THAT'S ONLY 89¢ PER PKG!



SAVE \$1.01

FRESCHETTA PIZZA
12.6 - 29.6 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$4.44

FRESCHETTA BRICK OVEN
FRESCHETTA Naturalmente Riscia



KEEBLER BRANDS AT
ROCK BOTTOM PRICES

Rock Bottom Pricing!

ZETA KRISPY

Sunshine
KRISPY

CLUB
CRACKERS

LIMIT 4 PLEASE
SAVE UP TO
\$1.71

KEEBLER ZETA SALTINES,
SUNSHINE KRISPY SALTINES &
SANDWICH CRACKERS
10.4 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.44

SAVE UP TO
\$1.55

BETTER MADE
SNACK FOODS
10.5 - 15 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.94

MADE IN MICHIGAN
FOR OVER 80 YEARS!

SAVE \$1.35

FRITO LAYS
POTATO CHIPS
10 - 11 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44

Classic

SAVE \$2.51

ORVILLE
REDENBACHER'S
POPCORN
6 - 10 Pk.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44

Orville Redenbacher's
Mini Bags
Butter

SAVE \$1.74
ON 2

BETTER MADE
TORTILLA
CHIPS
13 oz.
Selected Varieties

2 \$4.44

MADE IN MICHIGAN

SAVE \$1.35

FRITO LAY
TOSTITOS
9 - 13 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.44

Tostitos
SCOOPS!

SAVE \$1.31

GOLDFISH
SNACK
CRACKERS
30 oz. Value Size
Selected Varieties

\$6.44

Goldfish

TOTAL BOTTOM
LINE SAVINGS!

PEPSI COLA
PRODUCTS
8-Pk. 12 oz. Plastic
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$3.44

SAVE \$2.52
ON 4

COCA-COLA
PRODUCTS
2 Liter Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

4 \$4.94

Coca-Cola

SAVE UP TO
\$1.25

GATORADE
ISOTONIC
SPORTS DRINK
32 oz. or
PRIME
4 oz. or
RECOVER
16.9 oz.
Selected Varieties

94¢

PRIME
RECOVER

Rock Bottom Pricing!

COCA-COLA PRODUCTS AT
ROCK BOTTOM PRICES

COCA-COLA
PRODUCTS
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

4 \$10.94

COKE
Diet
Coca-Cola
Sprite

LIMIT 4 PLEASE
SAVE \$8.04
ON 4

PEPSI COLA
PRODUCTS
20 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Bonus Pack
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$5.44

pepsi

SAVE 59¢

DR. PEPPER,
7-UP,
VERNORS,
R.C., DIET RITE,
SQUIRT, A&W
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$4.00

Dr. Pepper
7-UP
Vernors
A&W

SAVE 86¢
ON 2

PROPEL
ENHANCED
WATER
24 oz.
Selected Varieties

2 \$4.44

propel

WINE CELLAR

SPIRITS

WE SELL LIQUOR AT THE MINIMUM PRICE THAT THE STATE WILL ALLOW

FISH EYE CALIFORNIA WINES
750 ml Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$4.44
SAVE \$2.51

FOX HORN WINES
1.5 Liter Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$6.44
SAVE \$1.95

BACARDI GOLD RUM
750 ml
(plus tax)



\$11.95
Where Liquor is Sold!

RED STAG BY JIM BEAM STRAIGHT BOURBON
750 ml Bottle
(plus tax)



\$18.97
Where Liquor is Sold!

CUPCAKE & MENAGE A TROIS WINES
750 ml Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



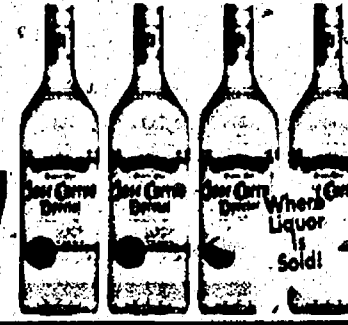
\$8.44
SAVE UP TO \$4.55

FRANZIA BOX WINES
5 Liter Box
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$9.44
SAVE \$4.05

JOSE CUERVO TEQUILA
750 ml Bottle
(plus tax)



\$19.97
Where Liquor is Sold!

KAHLUA
750 ml Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$19.97
Where Liquor is Sold!

ROBERT MONDAVI PRIVATE SELECTIONS
750 ml Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$9.44
SAVE \$3.55

LINDEMAN'S WINES
1.5 Liter Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$9.44
SAVE \$4.05

TANQUERAY GIN
750 ml
(plus tax)



\$19.97
Where Liquor is Sold!

DEWAR'S WHITE LABEL SCOTCH
750 ml Bottle
(plus tax)



\$22.95
Where Liquor is Sold!

CONCHA Y TORO CHILEAN WINES
1.5 Liter Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



\$8.44
SAVE \$1.95

BAREFOOT CELLARS WINE
1.5 Liter Bottle
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



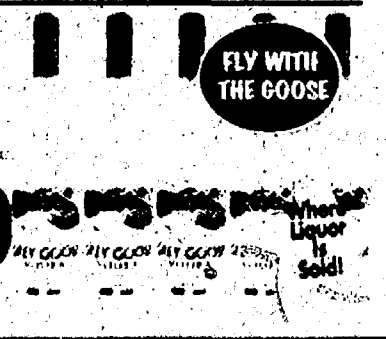
\$9.44
SAVE \$4.31

DISARONNO PREMIUM AMARETTO
750 ml Bottle
(plus tax)



\$25.95
Where Liquor is Sold!

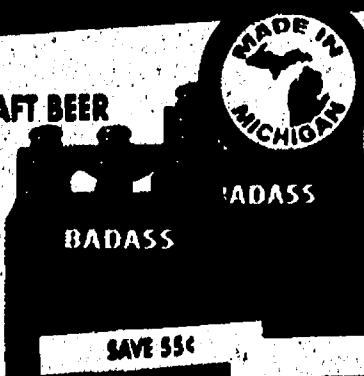
GREY GOOSE PREMIUM VODKA
750 ml Bottle
(plus tax)



\$29.99
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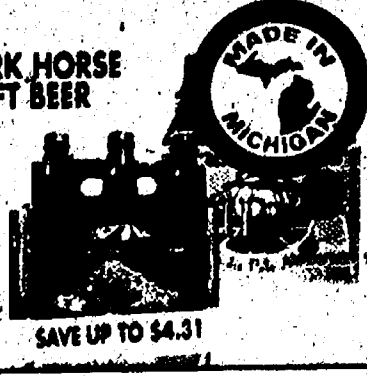
THE BREWERY

BAD ASS MICHIGAN CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



\$5.44
SAVE 55¢

ARCADIA & DARK HORSE MICHIGAN CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



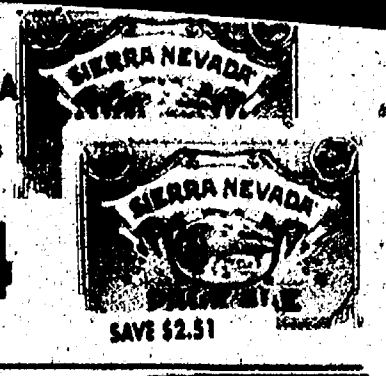
\$7.44
SAVE UP TO \$4.31

FOUNDERS & NEW HOLLAND MICHIGAN CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



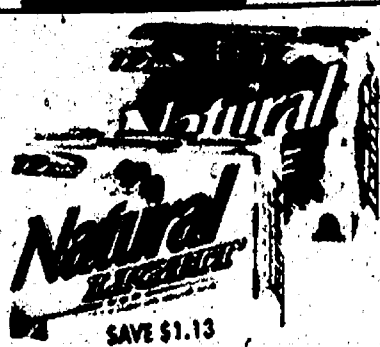
\$8.44
SAVE \$1.51

SIERRA NEVADA PALE ALE
12 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
(plus tax & deposit)



\$13.44
SAVE \$2.51

NATURAL LIGHT OR ICE
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
(plus tax & deposit)



\$6.44
SAVE \$1.13

KEYSTONE LIGHT
18 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
(plus tax & deposit)



\$8.44
SAVE \$1.45

COORS & MILLER PRODUCTS
24 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



\$15.44
SAVE \$1.52

BUDWEISER & LABATT PRODUCTS
24 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



\$15.44
SAVE \$1.52

BABY CARE SPECIALS

HEALTH & HOME CARE SAVINGS

GERBER 1ST BABY FOOD
2 Pack
Selected Varieties



SAVE 74¢ on 2

2/\$4.44

GERBER GRADUATES
1.75 - 6.6 oz.
Selected Varieties



2/\$4

PEDIA-LYTE
16 ct. or 33.8 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE 99¢

\$4.44

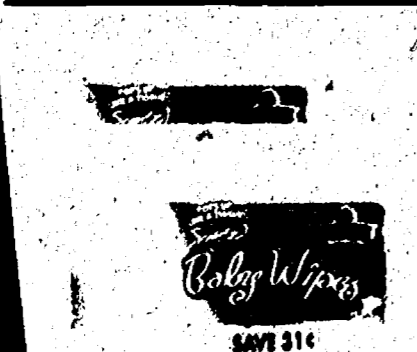
SIMILAC ADVANCE POWDER BABY FORMULA
12.4 oz.



SAVE 49¢

\$12.44

OUR FAMILY BABY WIPES
72 ct.
Scented or Unscented



SAVE 31¢

\$2.44

OUR FAMILY BABY POWDER, BABY OIL & BABY BATH
14 - 15 oz.
Selected Varieties

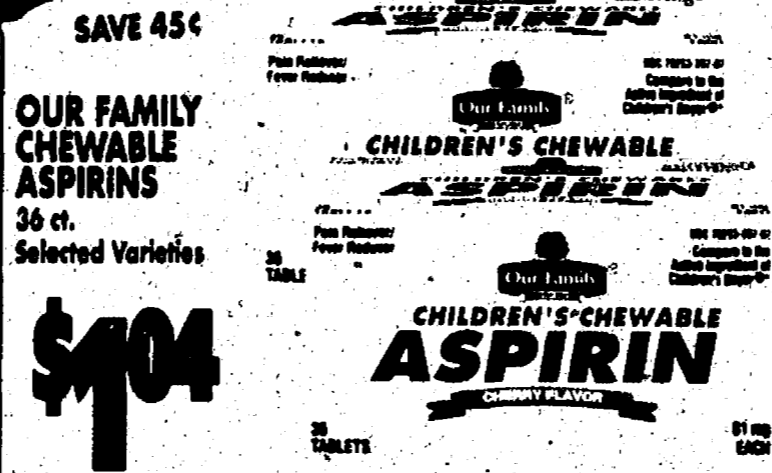


SAVE UP TO \$3.74 on 2

2/\$3.44

SAVE 45¢

OUR FAMILY CHEWABLE ASPIRINS
36 ct.
Selected Varieties



\$1.04

SAVE 15¢

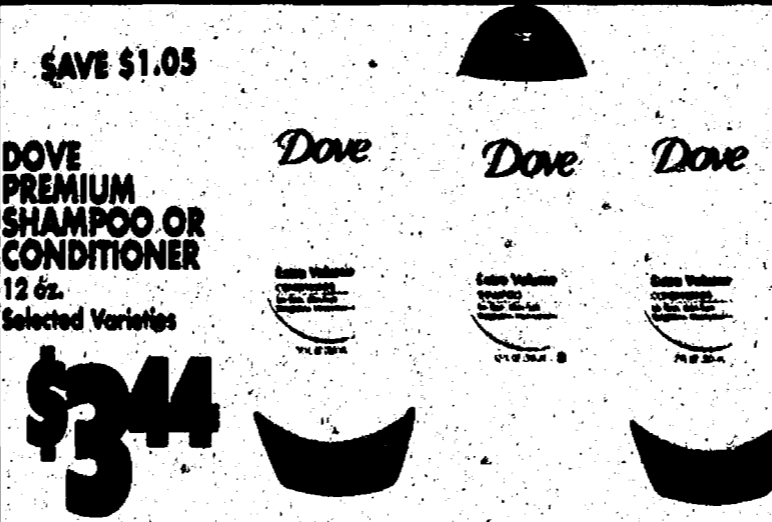
TUMS 20% MORE FREE BONUS PACK
72 - 116 ct.
Selected Varieties



\$4.44

SAVE \$1.05

DOVE PREMIUM SHAMPOO OR CONDITIONER
12 oz.
Selected Varieties



\$3.44

Rock Bottom Pricing!

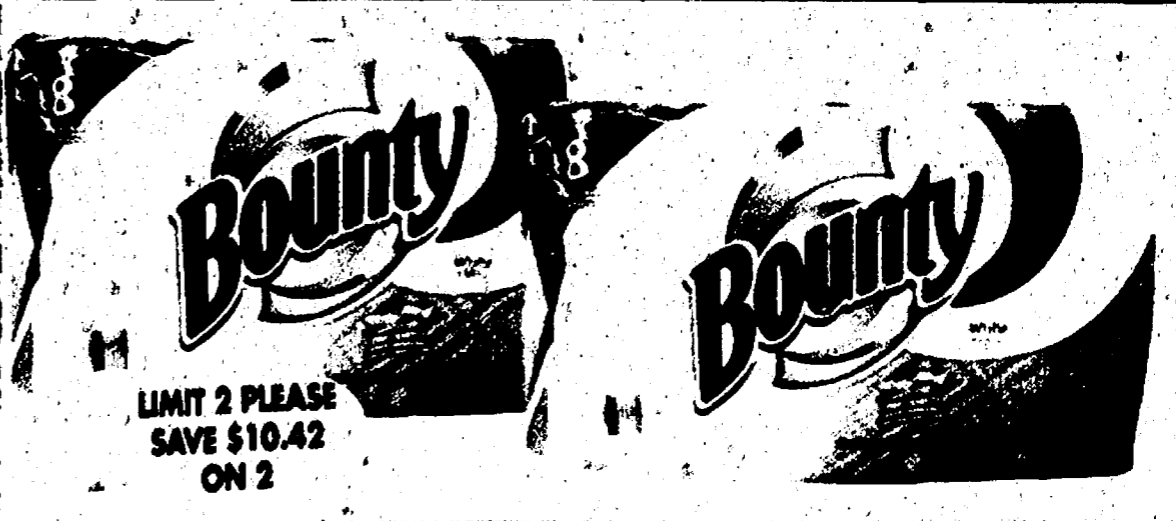
BOUNTY PRINT PAPER TOWELS
8 Regular Rolls
Selected Varieties



2/\$11.44

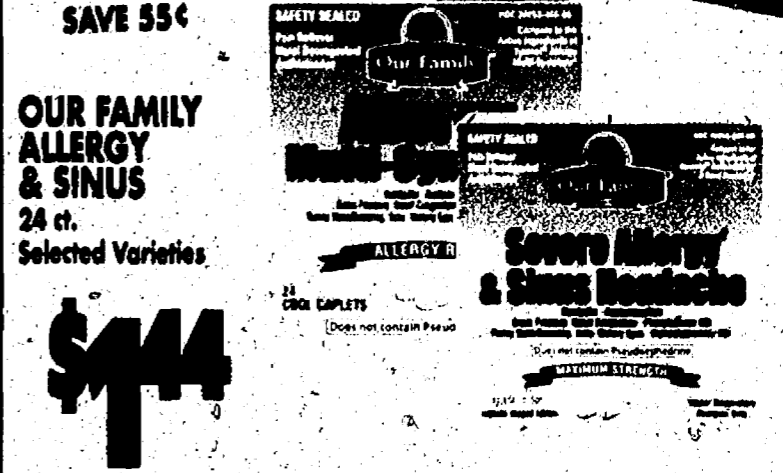
BOUNTY

LIMIT 2 PLEASE
SAVE \$10.42
ON 2




SAVE 55¢

OUR FAMILY ALLERGY & SINUS
24 ct.
Selected Varieties



\$1.44

OLD SPICE, GILLETTE CLEAR & SECRET DEODORANTS
2.6 - 2.7 oz.
Selected Varieties



\$4.44

SAVE 81¢

KLEENEX SELECTED FACIAL TISSUES
75 - 200 ct.
Selected Varieties



\$1.44

HOME & HEALTH CARE SAVINGS

SAVE 49¢

SNUGGLE LIQUID FABRIC SOFTENER
32 oz., Selected Varieties

\$3.44

SNUGGLE FABRIC SOFTENER SHEETS
80 ct. **\$3.44**
SAVE 95¢

SAVE \$2.49

WISK PREMIUM LIQUID LAUNDRY DETERGENT
50 oz., Selected Varieties

\$4.44

BENEFUL PREPARED MEAT & MOIST DOG FOOD
10 oz., Selected Varieties

\$1.44

SAVE 55¢

SAVE \$1.39

TIDE 2X LIQUID LAUNDRY DETERGENT
50 oz., Selected Varieties

\$6.44

SAVE 55¢

SOFT SCRUB CLEANERS
24 - 28.6 oz., Selected Varieties

\$2.88

BENEFUL DRY DOG FOOD
15.5 lb., Selected Varieties

\$14.44

SAVE \$1.49

NUNN BETTER BIRD SEED
10 - 20 lb., Wild or Sunflower

\$4.44

SAVE \$1.51

SAVE 81¢

MEAN GREEN
32 oz.

\$4.88

SAVE \$2.31

HEFTY PREMIUM KITCHEN & GARBAGE BAGS
25 - 45 ct., Selected Varieties

\$5.44

NUNN BETTER DOG BISCUITS
4 lb. Value Pack, Selected Varieties

\$3.44

SAVE 81¢

NUNN BETTER DRY CAT FOOD
16 lb.

\$7.44

SAVE \$1.51

Rock Bottom Pricing!

NORTHERN QUILTED BATH TISSUE
12 Double Roll, 20% Free Bonus Pack, Selected Varieties

2/\$11.44

50% Stronger

QUILTED NORTHERN Soft & Strong

12 DOUBLE ROLLS = 24 ROLLS

LIMIT 2, PLEASE SAVE \$7.50 ON 2

NUNN BETTER DRY DOG FOOD
33 lb. Value Size, Golden Nuggets or Mini Chunks

\$10.44

SAVE \$2.05

PET CARE SAVINGS!

BAKERY SPECIALS

	<p>Fresh Baked HEART HEALTHY BREAD Selected Varieties 14 oz.</p> <p>\$2.44</p>
	<p>Fresh Baked FARMER'S BREAD 20 oz.</p> <p>\$1.54</p>
	<p>Fresh Baked WHEAT DINNER ROLLS 12 ct.</p> <p>\$1.74</p>
	<p>FILLED LONG JOHNS 4 ct. Holland Cream or Bavarian Cream</p> <p>\$1.94</p>
	<p>SLICED LOAF CAKE 16 oz. Selected Varieties</p> <p>\$3.64</p>
	<p>COOKIE DIPPERS 9.5 oz. Selected Varieties</p> <p>\$2.64</p>

FINAL FOUR...MARCH MADNESS SAVINGS!

	<p>SAVE \$1.35/lb.</p> <p>Jumbo Green or Red SEEDLESS GRAPES 8 lb. Bag</p> <p>\$1.94 LB.</p>		<p>SAVE \$2.98 ea.</p> <p>DOLE SPECIAL BLEND SALADS 6 - 12 oz. Bag</p> <p>2/3</p>
	<p>SAVE \$2.05/ea.</p> <p>California Sweet NAVEL ORANGES 8 lb. Bag</p> <p>\$3.94 EA.</p>		<p>SAVE \$1.98 ea.</p> <p>Fresh STRAWBERRIES 1 lb., BLUEBERRIES 6 oz. or BLACKBERRIES 6 oz.</p> <p>2/4</p>
	<p>SAVE \$1.98 ea.</p> <p>Jumbo CANTALOUPE</p> <p>2/4</p>		<p>SAVE 65¢/ea.</p> <p>California Crisp CELERY</p> <p>\$1.34 EA.</p>
	<p>SAVE 98¢ on 2</p> <p>Aunt Mid's WHOLE MUSHROOMS 8 oz. Pkg.</p> <p>2/3</p>		<p>SAVE \$1.98 ea.</p> <p>Aunt Mid's Baby Red Yukon Gold POTATOES 3 lb. Bag</p> <p>2/5</p>
			<p>SAVE \$2.15/ea.</p> <p>Colorful Sweet RAINBOW PEPPERS 4 ct. Pkg.</p> <p>\$2.04 EA.</p>
			<p>FRESH FLORAL DEPT. May not be exactly as illustrated</p> <p>CELEBRATE SPRING BOUQUET</p> <p>\$5.99 EA.</p>

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