

board fills budget gaps

By Crystal Hayduk Special Writer

The Chelsea School District will be forced to use just under \$900,000 in fund equity for next year's budget due to the familiar tune of less money and more expenses for the upcoming year.

Teresa Zigman, executive director of business and operations, presented next year's budget to the Board of Education at a budget hearing June 27. Zigman told the board that about \$32,000 in potential excess funds from 2010-'11 were placed into the fund equity account for the next school



Mole DeLson runs her hand down the textured scepetone surface of Ancient Flame, which can be seen in front of Chelsee State Benk.

Valking along art

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year.

However, an expected revenue decrease of about \$400,000 and anticipated expenditure increases of about \$500,000 will require the district to use just under \$900,000 in fund equity for the 2011-'12 school year.

Even though we don't like to see the red numbers. we are in a position where we can do this for a year or two. We were fortunate . to not have any layoffs this year," Superintendent David Killips said as the board approved the budget.

Zigman said she also anticipates that the district will need to borrow from the school bond loan fund in 2011-'12. The school bond loan fund is made available by the state to help districts

make debt payments. In Chelsea's case, Zigman said the district needs to make payments, similar to a mortgage payment, on the 2009 bond fund. Since the district is taking in less money due to falling taxable values, the loan will allow the district to make their payments while keeping the current millage rate stable for the community.

In other board news:

The board voted to approve a bid from SPI Innovations of \$28,079 with a \$1,404 contingency amount set aside, to replace the old wireless network at Beach Middle School. According to Scott Wooster, director of technology services, the replacement is necessary due to the rapid changes in technology and because the

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By Sean Dalton

This year's Sculpture Walk in Chelsea began what River Gallery Co-director Parti Schwarz hopes will be an ongoing tradition.

At 1 p.m. on Saturday nearly two dozen people, some from out of town, embarked on the Sculpture Walk's first actual guided tour of the sculptures, which were created, transported to and installed within Chelsea's downtown district.

For three years now Sculpture Walk has been an opportunity for both artists, and the city, which benefits from the cultural value of art installations placed at various points of interest on a year round basis. The 10 featured sculptures will be on display until this time next year; and during that time Schwarz says she would like to schedule more guided tours for the Chelsea public and the city's tourists after how well. Saturday's tour went.

"It's always felt like we were missing something dur-ing the first two years," Schwarz said. "But now that we've done this, I think it will be a regular addition, or at least we hope it will be."

The group started in the back of the Chelsea District Library building, where Chelsea artists Brian and Shane Sovia and Shannon Pederson had their "Steel in Bloom" on display.

The hollow steel tree frame, adorned with blown glass plossoms demonstrated the group's artistic skills as well as their use of professional skills to create works of art

in their own free time. "This is our first piece," Shannon told the crowd, explaining that she works for Colorbok in Ann Arbor. Brian and Shane also work in the engineering world and with metals professionally, which they've also brought to the table with their work.

Shannon said that the group wanted to create a work of art that "you can actually touch," although Schwarz and other organizers caution the public to handle the sculptures sparring if it all, and be gentle while doing so.

The trio are the first group-submitted sculpture, according to Schwarz.

Most of the sculptures on display are made from metals, much of them scrap, and discarded items like wheels, golf clubs and weather-worn scrap iron filmed with rust, which takes on a wooden look in a couple of the sculptures.

John Shwarz, a Chelses-based artist, built the some what approactive looking "Tiger Fish" out of screp. It can be apotted from Main Street with the Jiffy Mbt plant as the back drop.

The only other artist with a physical presence on the walk was Patti's husband, John Schwarz, who pieced walk was Patti's husband, John Schwarz, who pieced together the eye-catching "Tiger Fish" sculpture, which is welded onto the foreground of Chelsea's Jiffy Mix factory for those coming up Main Street toward the Norfolk Southern rail line. "Most of the artists work full time," Schwarz explained. "It's great when they do get out, like Rick DeTroyer (who has "Shade Tree Mechanic" on display behind the Clocktower building), because you get that interaction going "

interaction going." Several tour-takers marveled at Schwarz and DeTroyer's work, as well as Superior Township artist John Merigian's almost intimidating "Contender III," which takes the form of a 10-foot-tall lanky man of steel

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LaFontaine's Speed Week A Success!

LaFontaine Chrysler, Dodge and Jeep is located on Michigan Avenue just west of downtown Saline. Many NASCAR fans trying to get to Brooklyn for race weekend drive past it on their way to Michigan International Speedway.

So the past couple of years, John Nabozny and the folks at Lafontaine have put together some fun events for local citizens and those fans driving past on their way to the race track.

Two weekends ago, it was race weekend down in Brooklyn, Speed Week at LaFontaine and also Father's day. Nabozny a father and race fan himself said, "It's a bit of a tradition for us. On Sunday, my family knows I'm going to be at the track," he said.

Knowing the draw of race weekend, and all of the extra traffic driving by the dealership, Nabozny helped set up the dealership for a couple big events over the weekend. "Lots of people don't know where we are," he said, "So we look to use race weekend to let people know where we are and to capitalize on all of the traffic going by."

This year, Lafontaine held a NASCAR Party bus competition on Thursday evening for the most outrageous party bus, giving all party bus entrants the chance to win a motorized scooter cooler with a top speed of 15 mph. They had workers out on the street holding signs telling people to come to the competition. On Friday evening they held a BBQ cook-off competition (in the spirit of Iron Chef) where contestants were

given one hour to create most the impressive and most delious dish using a wide selection of foods and

than we've every had before," said Nabozny. Also, for the older race fans who may not * be drawn in by Mater, representatives of the Chrysler Detroit motor Plant and the UAW had a NASCAR style trailer set up featuring a couple of high-performance Dodge Vipers and a Dodge Ram race truck that competes locally at the Milan Speedway. On Friday afternoon, Nabozny said that it looked like they were already having a successful weekend. "I drove around Ann Arbor, past six dealers or so and nobody was on the lots, but we had a full lot."

The people who did stop by Lafontaine, were not only treated to party busses and high powered race cars, but also all of the new redesigned cars on the lot. "Every vehicle has been redesigned or refreshed this year," said UAW worker, Howard Austin. "There are more standard features, more padding and a lot more driver comforts."

The UAW workers also had things to say about the redesign of the cars, seeing as they were there and actually took part in making them. "The quality is improved overall." said Jack Hyatt.

they've found events such as this provide more of a benefit, without having to spend the money.

"People can stop by events like this and see the NASCAR trailer and get a taste for what they're about to take part in if they're heading down to the race," Hyatt said. Especially since it was Father's Day Weekend and Lafontaine is a family dealership UAW rep Bob Denton had a fitting statement, "We're all one big family," he said. "We're very supportive of dealers and all they do. But what it boils down to is that we go out to events like this to get the public's confidence back in us one great product at a time."

Along with promotion, the reps were, also able to provide assistance to sales "We're not sales staff at Lafontaine. people," said Denton, "but we built these cars so we can talk to the people about it.

"Yeah; if someone can tell us what they want we can find a vehicle for them that fits their needs," said Taranisha Healey. "We can also operate as a filter for the busy salespeople. customers and find out We can talk to and send who is serious - 3**-3**-14

them to the sales

weekend

also provided an opportunity for Lafontaine to promote the fact that not only are they race fans, but also actively involved in 🖉 auto . racing. The Ram they had displayed with the 536 hemi engine took first place at the Milan Speedway

garnish bγ (provided 102.9 M/4 County) including the "secret ingredient" (HEMI BBO sauce). The top prize was 4 tickets to Sunday's race, complete with pit passes, lunch and entertainment.

Gri-Row

They also had a bit of a celebrity sitting in front of the dealership, but he wasn't doing much talking. At the entrance to the dealership, a replica of the tow truck from the movies "Cars" and the recently released "Cars 2" Mater was greeting those coming into Lafontaine. "He's definitely drawn more kids to take pictures

"The engines in particular are better and all of the six cylinders came out of the **Detroit Motor Plant in Mich.**,

The UAW representatives were joined by other representatives from Chrylser and their combined goals were to promote the vehicles, the dealership, and also themselves as auto workers.

Before the bankruptcy, reps like the ones at LaFontaine used to go out to the tracks, but

June on looking 'We're let. people to that we're know actually involved

the world of racing," Karrie Bradley, director of business said development for all Lafontaine. "This is our first year with the MOPAR truck and we're really getting into it. It's attracting a lot of attention."

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Perhaps the weekend can best be summed up by something Nabozny said about his role, "I: love doing events like this," he said. "It makes the public aware of us and everybody gets to have a good time. We are looking forward to the August race." Written by Staff Whiter Kevin Doby,



The LaFontaine Sponsored Dodge RAM Truck Driven by Chris Cadotto.



Jack Byatt, Braugeserlaba Turner, Taranisha Healey, Howard Austin and Bob Denton at LaFontaine Chrysler, flodge and deep celebrating raceweekend at MIS with a NASCAR style tradicc and a couple of Dodge Vipers as well as promotion Chrysler and their newly redesigned cars.



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Anew source

Computer store owner expands business into Chelsea, moves into half of Twister's building

By Sean Dalton Heritage Media

The Computer Source owner Loveesh Thatai recently opened his business in Chelsea, bringing the count of computer stores with a retail pres. ence in the city to two.

The TCS location at 901 ~ S. Main St. is Thatai's second entry in the franchise since opening his business in Grass Lake.

"I've been looking, forward to opening in Chelsea for three years now," he said during the ribbon cutting ceremony last Thursday, which was attended by several Chelsea Area Chamber of

Commerce members and other local dignitaries,

including Congressman Tim Walberg's field representative Dustin Krasny and chamber Director Bob Pierce.

The new TCS location was previously a bagel shop opened by the owner/operator of Twisters, which shares a wall in the building with TCS now.

Thatai thanked his staff after snipping the red ribbon underneath his business's signage facing South Main Street.

"I don't think I would have done it without the people that work with me every day," Thatai said, thanking his employee Josh Marzec, who also attended the ribbon cutting.

"I trust them with everything," he added. "It's people like (these) who make it possible for a small business like mine to work."

Thatai says that he is counting on local support to guide his business past the initial year of his lease. In fact, he joined the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce "almost immediately," according to Pierce.

"The owner seems very eager to become a part of our Chelsea community, not just the business community but the community as a whole," Pierce said of his initial impression of Thatai.

"I want

to be here for years heritage.com like I

have been in Grass Lake," Thatai said. "It's all because of the community support - otherwise I wouldn't have even made it the first few months."

Thatai admitted that he was surprised at the number of customers that have stepped through his new doors.

While many longtime customers who have been doing business with Thatai have come from Ann Arbor and even as far as Bloomfield Hills, he's seen many new faces from not just Chelsea, but Manchester and Stockbridge as well.

"We've had a tremendous response from people already, and I haven't even done any advertising yet," he said. "I think it's because of the way we deal with people day to day.

"If our customers have a problem, I want them to call me personally. I think that makes a huge difference for being a small business - the one-on-one faceto-face communication – I live and breathe this."

Thatai began as a "computer guy" working out of his home until going into business in 2004, first in the Ann Arbor area of Scio Township on Jackson Road, before relocating to Grass Lake two years later.

"After about seven months, people started asking me 'Where are you located?"" Thatai admitted. "Working out of the house is great because it keeps overhead low, but you need a retail presence, and that's why we opened in Ann Arbor."

His experience dealing with Chelsea's bureaucracy has also been as different from his experience with Scio Township's equivalent as night and day.

"It's been so easy in Chelsea, like for signage and stuff like that I was in and out in 20 minutes ... in Scio Township I had to literally fight for two-and-ahalf weeks for a permit," Thatai said. "Once we got past that it was fine, but we just didn't hit the numbers I was looking for and the response.

"The only sad thing about our move was that the customers we

I've collected from garage sales, recycling centers of whatever and putting it all together.",



at venues such as camp-

The company's website

will launch this Friday at

http://www.thecomputer-

grounds and parks.

source.net/.

Photo by Sean Dalton

Bob Pierce. executive director of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, Rick Benson, chamber presi-dent, Josh Marzec, TCS general manager, Loveesh Thatal, owner, Dustin Krasny, representative for Congressman Tim Walberg, and Bruce Szcdronski, chamber vice president.

kept there now have to drive from Ann Arbor to Chelsea to continue being customers."

Thatai expressed little concern over competing with Bulldog Computer on their home turf and **Absolute Internet Service** in Dexter.

Marzec highlighted the services offered by TCS, which is basically "anything related to computers.'

"We design websites, domain names, hosting, e-commerce websites," Marzec said. "Prices are depending on what youneed, \$399 and then the sky's the limit. Our basic is quite substantial as well, and we also repair (videogame) consoles." TCS, which is opened

from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday's also handles surveillance systems and outdoor networking

going on here." Juna waru was vacationing in the area. She lives in Cleveland, S.C., and was very impressed ... by Chelsea's sculpture walk.



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with an orange pallor and a featureless oblong head.

"He looks confident, like he can conquer the. world," one of the tour goers said as the group. approached Merigian's work.

John enjoyed explaining "Tiger Fish" to the group: "Notice the golf clubs ... it's kind of like Tiger Woods ... Tiger Fish. It's kind of silly.'

Schwarz says that he's as much a collector as an artist:.

lying around," ne said. [] start off with an idea, I draw it, and I go out looking for the parts."

"I have a lot of stuff

Some of his pieces start with a bicycle seat or a motorcycle engine, while others begin on a pad of paper that Schwarz is sketching something on with a pencil.

"The only thing that's new in my work is the nuts and bolts that hold them together," Schwarz explained. "About 90" percent of everything else is recycled material - the best part is sitting down with everything

Schwarz bas assembled pieces on display at commercial properties around the globe, such as the Ripley's Believe It or Not museum in South Korea.

Molis DeLeon, who moved to Chelsea four years ago from Ohio, said she loved the tour.

"To me this is one of the things that makes Chelsea so marvelous" DeLeon said. "I really have loved living here and this is one of the reasons ... there's always something like this

"I just can't get over what this community does," she said. "I'm near a much larger place that's very community oriented also, but this is great. I'm very impressed."

Folks are invited to vote for the "Best in Show," which will win a \$500 prize for its creator, by sending an email to patti @chelsearivergallery.com or by calling 734-433-0826.

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existing wireless network was no longer being supported. The work is being funded through 2009 bond funds

Principal Marcus Kaemming and teacher Lisa Kaemming discussed. literacy support at North Creek. They reviewed North Creek's support for students, families, and staff, including the fall workshop for parents about how to introduce new books to young readers, the parent library at North Creek and the partnership with the Chelsea District Library

Kaemming cited positive results from full-time kindergarten and increased literacy support. He said that the number of students requiring extra support in first grade this year had dropped by 20 per-cent. Also, second grade students were reading at such high levels that a need for more books at higher-reading levels had been created.

"The rate of change remains high," Kaemming said. "Therefore, it's extremely promising that the changes are due to the all day every day kindergarten. We hope to maintain those improvements as they get older."

Andrew Ingall, executive director of instruction, reviewed the district goals. Changes include a

tem to improve the goal of providing a safe school climate.

The new system, called "In Touch," will make automated callsfor unverified absences, provide event reminders and notify families regarding cancellations. Notifications can be made by text, email, or phone, and parents can control the alert settings. The system can make 10,000 calls in two minutes, compared to the previous system _____

hour

a \$5,000 award from the Washtenaw County Department of Public Health for a new federal program to coordinate school health. The district plans to use the award to provide various healthrelated benefits for students, such as assisting with pay-to-play scholar-ships, healthy food and nutrition sampling, and creating a web page to

provide links to healthrelated information. **Board President Steve** Olsen thanked temporary board member Scott Broshar for serving the district for the last six months following the resignation of Rob Turner,

county commission. "Your historical perspective helped lead the way through troubling times," Killips said, refexperience.







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Bill would allow community

colleges to offer 4-year degrees

It's an odd sight indeed, seeing a legislator's name appear as the sponsor of a bill and then in the "nays" section of the voting ledger.

Yet that's exactly where state Rep. David Rutledge of Ypsilanti found himself on House Bill 4496 of 2011, the legislation that would amend the Community **College Act to allow** Michigan's 28 community colleges to offer four-year degrees in five subjects, including nursing.

The Ann Arbor Journal asked Rutledge, recently. for his reaction to the attack ads the Michigan **Education Association** has launched against his colleague, Republican Mark Ouimet, for his votes in support of cuts in K-12 spending (the "Mark Ouimet did what?" ads).

Rutledge said that lawmakers can only justify their continued presence in Lansing by what they do for their voters.

If you don't take care of the people, the people won't take care of you.

Sometimes this means voting against your beliefs, Rutledge said. House Bill 4496 was one such occasion, so much so that **Rutledge removed his** name from the sponsorship prior to voting against a

and others in opposing the legislation.

Leigh Greden, EMU's executive director for government and community relations, and a former Ann Arbor councilman. said in a statement that EMU "joined all. of Michigan's 15 public universities in opposing* the legislation because, if passed, it will increase costs and duplication of services at a time when funding for higher education is being cut and the governor has called for more collaboration and less duplication.

"EMU has strong partnerships with community colleges around the state. We operate programs on site at community college campuses and have over 100 articulation agreements, which allow students to easily transfer their community college credits to EMU.

Nursing degrees the sticking point

Colleges and universities would seem to face little threat with this legislation. Most of them don't offer the programs community colleges would be allowed to grant four-year degrees in. Alpena Community College would be the only school in the state to offer a bachelor's in cement technology. And there are only six federally-authorized maritime academies in - the United States, the bill -analysis explains. As for energy production technology, The Nuclear 'Energy Institute says that some 38 percent of the nuclear workforce will be eligible for retirement in the next five years. That field would seem to be wide open. Curiously, the analysis had little to say about nursing, the offering that is most controversial to colleges and universities. That community colleges will be able to offer bachelor's degrees in nursing merits a mention only in the last sentence in the "Apparent Problem" section of the bill analysis: 'Legislation has been

State Rep. David Rutledge decided against a bill he sponsored that would allow community colleges to offer four-year degrees in five subjects, including nursing.

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introduced again this session that would allow, but; not require, community colleges to offer baccalaureate degrees in nursing, cement technology ... "

If health care is indeed the next big thing, then μ nursing is the next big career field. America's aging population offers secure work for nurses that can be done from anywhere. As such, the training of nurses is good business for colleges and universities, many of which accommodate not only traditional students but second career nurses, as well. In a June 8 letter to the House Education **Committee, the Presidents** Council attempted to call off the legislation with a pledge "to collaborate with our community college colleagues and provide locally any new baccalaureate or degree completion program for which there is a need within that community college district, including a Bachelor of Science degree to community college graduates who are registered nurses and who wish to enroll in a BSN completion program." But House Bill 4496 passed 67-43. Three of four

of Washtenaw County's representatives in Lansing noted nay, including Jeff Irwin, D-Ann Arbor; **Rutledge and Mark** Ouimet, R-Scio Township; Rick Olson, R-Saline, voted yes.

If the legislation passes, community colleges that expand their offerings will be granted additional funds. A bachelor's in nursing would come a lot. cheaper at Washtenaw than bill passed the House of **Representatives during the** last legislative session by a vote of 55 to 49 on Sept. 16, 2010," the analysis for HB 4496 explains.

"The bill died in the Senate Education Committee, where it had been referred for consideration, when the legislature adjourned sine die on Dec. 31. 2010."

This year, the bill passed the House with 67 votes,

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measure he helped bring to the table.

Why? Simple, Rutledge explained days before the vote.

Eastern Michigan University is in Rutledge's turf. the 54th District. Washtenaw Community College, while a valued part of the community, is not. If Rutledge doesn't take care of his constituent, the university, he would have no one to blame if the university and its affiliates didn't take care of him.

EMU has led the local charge against HB 4496 and its Senate equivalent, Senate Bill 225. It joins the **Presidents Council State** Universities of Michigan as well as University of Michigan Flint, Wayne State, Oakland University

it would at U of M or EMU. According to data pro-

vided by Sinji Yang, a senior analyst with EMU's office of Institutional **Research and Information** Management, over the last five years an average of 49 students a year who previously attended WCC transferred into the EMU School of Nursing. Former WCC students accounted for about 30 percent of all transfers into the nursing program over that period.

If students at WCC and other community colleges could just stay for four years instead of two, universities, including EMU, which benefit from feeder arrangements, would be affected.

It's still just a bill — and might stay that way "A substantially similar

and it passed in June rather than September. But the legislation still has two more hurdles to cross, the Senate and Gov. Rick 🔮 Snyder. And Senate Bill 225 is not exactly on the fast track.

Senate Bill 225 of 2011 was referred to the Senate **Education Committee in** March. There it remains. **Right now the Senate Education Committee is** focused more on teacher. tenure legislation, a senate source said.

The source said that the earliest the committee would probably take a look at the community college bill is when the legislature returns from summer recess in September.

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Crime Stoppers comes to Michigan

By James David Dickson Heritage Media

Police agencies in Washtenaw County have a new partner in fighting crime.

At a press conference June 21, Crime Stoppers of Michigan announced that it had opened a satellite office in Ann Arbor to serve Washtenaw County.

The Washtenaw County satellite office will be stationed in the Ann Arbor Police Department. Rich Kinsey, retired police detective sergeant and AnnArbor.com crime columnist, will manage the office and work with local policing agencies.

Crime Stoppers couldbe called a middle man between the public and law enforcement. When people who witness crimes. or know who commit them don't step forward, it's usually out of fear or apathy, Kinsey said.

Crime Stoppers is intended to address both. Oftentimes people féar the police as much as they fear retaliation for being seen with the police. Crime Stoppers allows people to tell the authorities what

Tips come in anonymously, and when they do informants are given a code, which they use in future interactions with the organization.

Just about every local policing agency will followup on Crime Stoppers tips, which officials hailed as a major boon in their investigative abilities.

Information is the lifeblood of police work and eliminating tipsters apprehension to call 9-1-1 and deal with the police will make things easier. Police chiefs and public safety leaders from Ann Arbor, Milan, Saline and Ypsilanti police, public safety departments at the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan, the Ann Arbor FBI office and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office. County **Prosecutor Brian Mackie** was there to lend his support.

How does anonymity work when it's reward time?

[•] Crime Stoppers never knows the identity of the tipster, never keeps or tracks down contact information of informants.

up to the informant to keep -in contact with the organization. When the tipster finds, in the course of their follow-up, that an arrest has been made, they can pursue their reward.

Rewards can reach up to \$1,000 for felony cases and \$2,500 for murders, though the numbers can rise higher if someone in the public chooses to sweeten the pot. The transfer of reward

money can be done any number of ways, such as face-to-face drop-offs or working with bank managers to deliver the money and protect anonymity.

Crime Stoppers also has efforts in the state's prison system and in public schools, including at Ypsilanti High School. It was tough, finding a way to protect tipsters' anonymity when they're using **Department of Corrections** phones, but they worked together and found a way, said Greg Smith, chairman of Crime Stoppers of Michigan.

"We get a lot of tips through the prison system," Kinsey said, and usually either a friend or family member usually picks up the money or the



Crime Stoppers of Michigan has opened an office in Washtenaw County. The office is stationed in the Ann Arbor Police Department.

by a so-called "reward

court," a seven-member committee that meets monthly to determine how helpful each individual tip was in making an arrest, whether a reward should be granted, and how much it should be.

In the event of multiple tipsters, usually, it's the person who calls first who will get the award, Smith said.

Smith said he got involved in Crime Stoppers because he has 130 employ. ees who work for his Detroit-based company, New Center Stamping.

If anything were to happen to him or any one of

ered to come forward. Anonymity gives them that power.

The money is an added bonus, but it appears to not be the reason tipsters pick up the phone.

Prosecutor Mackie told the Ann Arbor Journal that some two-thirds of tipsters eligible for rewards from Crime Stoppers never claim them.

Crime Stoppers can" be reached online at www.1800speakup.org and phoned toll-free at 1-800-Speak Up. Tips also can be text messaged in if informants text "CMS" and their tips to CRIMES (274637).

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Bringing suicide to light

Area residents helping to organize annual walk, work to educate the public

By Michelle Pafford Helms Special Writer

The life of 16-year-old Jake Kaidan was brief, but it has led to an important legacy. Kaidan, a Saline High School student and avid skateboarder, took his own life in 2006. While his loss is still unimaginable, Kaidan's passing has prompted others in the community to come together over the years and take up the cause of suicide prevention.

Tiffany Messer, chairwoman of Ann Arbor's "Out of the Darkness" Suicide Prevention Walk. said she learned about what an amazing person Kaidan was when she started dating his stepbrother, Brent Johnson, more than four years ago. Wanting to show, her boyfriend's family that she cared, Messer became involved with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention in Ann Arbor, where she grew her involvement in the walk - to be held Sept. 18 at Gallup Park - from par-ticipant to head organizer.

For this fall's event, which is free and begins at noon, Messer is looking to exceed last year's numbers of 480 attendees. She is also looking to use it as an opportunity to educate people about preventing suicide, which affects 33,000 Americans every year, as well as depression, which affects 20 million people.

'It has been stated that over 90 percent of the individuals that do take their own lives suffer from some kind of illness, whether it is depression or bipolar disorder. But a lot of people don't know how to recognize that and it goes untreated," Messer

Depression and Mental Health Resources National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK

 University of Michigan Psychlatric Emergency: 7,34-936-5900

•Ozone House 24-hour Crisis Line: 734-662-2222, http://www.ozonehouse.org

American Foundation of Suicide Prevention: www.afsp.org

•University of Michigan Depression Center: www.depressioncenter.org

people to attend his church. Believing that knock on the door was more than a coincidence. Wessel decided to give life another chance.

With hope, Wessel rebuilt his world by regaining his driver's license, working odd jobs, getting his general equivalency diploma, earning a degree from Eastern Michigan University, working for an account+. ing firm and ultimately joining his church home at The Naz about seven years ago.

"I thought maybe there's just a chance that this isn't just a random stop by the house -- that God really sees that I'm about to give up on everything and cares enough that he sent somebody,". Wessel said. "I went from having nobody, to now my life is so rich.,

'And to think that I almost threw'it away - that I almost missed the opportunity for such a fulfilling and abundant life is just – that's why I care about suicide so much. It's devastating when someone follows through."

Messer believes people can help prevent suicides by knowing the warning signs (for beyond a twoweek period) such as: insomnia, or wanting to sleep all the time; changes in appetite or weight; intense anxiety, fatigue or loss of energy; decreased concentration, indecisiveness or hopelessness.

people think if they bring it up and they are not already thinking of suicide, that they will put the thought into their head. That is not the case at all. If they are already thinking about it, they are thinking about it," Messer said. "The more that we, as a society, can become comfortable talking about it. the less taboo it will be."

Wessel, who has overcome depression, schizophrenia and bipolar disorder, and currently takes no medications, said he pays close attention to his mental health by eating well, exercising, getting enough sleep and feeding his spiritual side. He also added it's important for people to be authentic and willing to share their mental health struggles with others.

"I still need to do the right things in my life to stay free of depression and my suicidal-thought life," Wessel said. "To me, bringing things into the light makes all of the difference in the world. Too many people would just hideaway and say: Let's deal with it ourselves, and we don't need to tell anybody, and we can figure this out,' and then they can't. We just need to look outside of ourselves for help sometimes. "The minute you bring it into the light, you can truly heal." Another great way to heal and honor those who have died by suicide is by participating in this year's "Out of the Darkness" **Suicide Prevention** Walk with online registration at http://bit. ly/AnnArbor2011. Messer

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said attendees may choose to donate to the event, where half of contributions will stay local and the other half will go to AFSP Corp. in New York for national prevention programs. Last year, the walk generated \$33,000. We have such a wide

range of experience of survivors there. There are people who lost someone a couple months before the walk, and people who lost someone 10 years ago," Messer said. "So it's nice for these individuals that have experienced a recent loss to see that things do get better and life can go on, and that there are other people out there going through this and they are doing OK.



Tiffany Messer and Brent Johnson, who lost his brother, Jake Kaidan, in 2006, both support Ann Arbor's "Out of the Darkness" Suicide Prevention Walk,



said. "My goal is to get people educated ... Even if we can save one person's life, then that's still one person that we saved."

One person whose life was spared from suicide attempts is Tim Wessel, high school and family pastor at Brighton Nazarene Church, also known as The Naz, who runs a skateboard park at his church to act as a resource for local youth. Messer, who invited Wessel to speak at this year's event, said she first learned that he was a suicide survivor out of sheer coincidence when she tried to find a skate park in the area to host a fund-raiser for the cause.

Wessel says he was a child born from an unwanted pregnancy who suffered verbal abuse from his mother, who had mental illness. He was sexually molested, which led him to drinking, drugs, theft and violence, he said. On his way to end his life, he was stopped by a neighborhood pastor who was going door to door inviting young

She also believes it's important for people to reach out to those who appear to be in pain.

"A lot of people are uncomfortable bringing it (sticide) up. Unfortunately, some

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Ann Arbor Relay for Life surpasses goal

Event possibly raised more than \$130,000

By Donna ladipaolo Special Writer

Nearly everyone is affected by cancer in some way, either as a survivor. caregiver, relative or friend. And half of all men and one out of every three women will face a cancer diagnosis in his or her 'lifetime.

But nearly 650 participants fought back at the American Cancer Society's Ann Arbor Relay for Life at Washtenaw Community College's College Park Saturday and Sunday.

"Thanks to the relay participants, we are creating * a world with more birthdays, a world where cancer can't claim another year of anyone's life," said Lisa Rayner, this year's event chairwoman.

* Families, friends, neighbors, schoolmates and sports teams formed their own relay teams. A \$10 registration fee was charged

per person and each participant set a goal of \$100 to \$200. It's esti-

mated that the event raised more than \$130,000 this year.

From 10 a.m. Saturday to 10 a.m. Sunday, 41 teams participated in the fundraiser for the American **Cancer Society** Each team had a representative on the track at all times during the 24-hour period.

The opening ceremony featured the University of Michigan Air Force ROTC. The relay kicked off with

a Survivor's Lap in which brave cancer survivors circled the track together to highlight the victories that they had achieved over cancer. All were wearing , purple relay T-shirts, which read "Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back."

After rounding the track, many survivors enjoyed a brunch prepared for them inside WCC.

There were also activities on Saturday for children, including a ring toss, face paining and sand art. Saturday evening during the Luminaria Ceremony, candles were lit inside bags filled with sand, each one bearing the name of a person touched by cancer.

Rayner has spent four years as a relay participant. She said this year's event was the biggest she had seen locally.

The event has grown every year. In 2008, the Ann Arbor Relay for Life was held at Concordia University and included 21 teams that raised more than \$49,000. In 2009, the relay was also held again at Concordia and included 30 teams,



the event moved to WCC and raised about \$93,000.

Money raised at Relay for Life goes to support every aspect of the American Cancer Society's fight against cancer. Relay donations are not dedicated to one specific type of cancer.

Relay For Life is the most successful nonprofit fundraising event in the world, according to the American Cancer Society's website. Every year, 4 million people



in 5.000 communities across the nation, along with additional communities in 19 other countries, take part in Relay for Life to raise money and awareness.

Relay for Life began in 1985 when colorectal surgeon Dr. Gordy Klatt ran and walked around a track for 24 hours in Tacoma, Wash., to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Since then, it has grown into the world's largest movement to end disease, the website states.

Millions of people in the world are living with cancer or have had cancer. The risk of developing most types of cancer can be reduced by changes in a person's lifestyle such as quitting smoking, limiting time in the sun, being physically active and eating a better diet.

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Event raises money for hospice

The Arbor Hospice Foundation's recent inaugural fundraising gala "Savour the Journey: A celebration of the things we love about life," raised more than \$148,000 to support + Arbor Hospice pediatric hospice care and grief support services for children, adolescents and adults.

"We're extremely grateful for the generosity of our sponsors and donors who helped us make this new event such an amazing success," said Gloria Danna Brooks, president and CEO of Arbor Hospice, in a news release.

"The tremendous support we received will help us continue to provide pediatric hospice and grief support services to the seven counties we serve.'

More than 330 people attended the May 21 fundraiser at the Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center in Plymouth.

Guests gathered to sample wine, take part in a strolling dinner that featured special selections from local chefs, dance and participate in a live auc-

tion The foundation previously hosted nine "Art Dash" events in the Plymouth area and two "Dine and Dash" events in Ann Arbor, but this year the organiz-ers decided to combine both events into one festive evening.

The board of the Arbor **Hospice Foundation** plans to host "Savour the Journey" each spring and has named Terri Denhof

of Northville chair of the 2012 gala.

All funds raised from "Savour the Journey" will go directly back into the community through support of pediatric hospice and grief support services for children, adolescents and adults.

To learn more about the Arbor Hospice Foundation, call 794-5122 or visit www. arborhospice.org.

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Cedroni hired for Mill Creek plan

By Sean Dalton Heritage Media

Utica-based Cedroni Associates, Inc. was hired by the village recently to build the first phase of the Mill Creek Park project and the stairway at Warrior Creek Park.

The firm won the contract for \$1,180,000 in a pool of five other companies: all of which bid higher than

JJR's original estimate of \$1,001,673 being the estimated low bid.

The stairway portion was also bid out to Cedroni for \$62,000.

Community Development Manager Allison Bishop felt that Cedroni was the best fit for the job.

"Upon reviewing (the company's) list of ... projects, three projects emerged as being similar in scope

with Mill Creek Park." Bishop said.

The company previously worked on the Pittsfield Township Hickory Ridge Park Phase 1B in 2011 and the Metro Beach Metropark projects through HCMA in 2009 and 2010.

The first phase of the project includes mass grading, stream restoration. boardwalk and pathway construction, amphitheatre, landscaping, habitat res-toration and storm outlet vegetation.

The costs are being somewhat defrayed by a \$450,000 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant, which is being matched by the village with \$349,306 in general fund money. The remainder is coming from a Michigan Waterways Grant, the **County Parks STPU**

Exchange, and other village funds such as the parks restricted fund, the village restricted waterways fund and the village restricted tree fund.

Construction on the park, the stairway and a subdivision connector will commence this summer now that Cedroni has been hired. Village officials were pleased to have arrived at the current step as over

the course of the past 44 months public input has been gathered and planning and designing of Phase 1 improvements have taken place over multiple public meetings.

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The Michigan Department of **Environmental Quality** has already issued all of the necessary permits for. the construction phase to begin. -

Aubree's to open soon in Dexter





Aubree's Pizzeria & Grill will open its first franchise store late summer in downtown Dexter.

A deal was reached " between Bill and Andy French, the owners of the original Aubree's in Ypsilanti, and Amy **Bulszewicz and Ron** Evangelista, the owners of the new franchise, in early June.

The restaurant will take over the old North Point Seafood and Steakhouse location within the Monument Park Building at 8031 Main St Bulszewicz, who lives just a few miles away

from the Monument Park Building, became interested in bringing an Aubree's to the area after visiting an existing location, where she admired the food, concept and feeling of family within the business, according to a press release.

After meeting with Bill, and Andy French and seeing their passion for quality food and respect for their employees, Bulszewicz thought Aubree's would be a perfect fit for her and the community of Dexter.

Both Bulszewicz and Evangelista have a back ground in construction, which is leading the way toward major renovations in the old North Point restaurant.

A new buffet area has been added to house the restaurant's all-you-can-eat pizza, salad and breadstick lunch buffet. In addition, nearly 20 TVs will be added to the dining room, VIP room and bar area.

Aubree's Pizzeria & Grill was approved by the State of Michigan to begin franchising on March 31 and is looking to quickly add a couple more locations within the year, according to the release. Currently the busi-







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What do you think about year-round school?

A. Bad idea because kids and teachers need the break.

B. Good idea because kids lose lessons learned over the summer.

C. Good idea because it's difficult to find child care.

D. Bad idea becaúse it will kill summer enrichment program s.

A love-hate relationship with my lawn

Honestly, lawns are weird. There's really no reason to have a lawn. A lawn serves

no purpose, as far as I can tell. But if you own a suburban home, you own a suburban lawn. I've got one.

She's a beaut. Sometimes. Depends. Looking deep

into my soul, I realize I've got a real love/hate relationship with that patch of mostly-green grass in the backyard.

First off, it is against every bone in my body to pay anything more than bare minimum to keep things tidy back there.

'I've been the proud owner of this lawn going on eight years, and not once has anything with the word "fertilizer" in it ever touched my roughly one-fifth acre of greenery.

And yes, it's green. And that's pretty much all f care

about. If it's green, it's good. grass to weed ratio back

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JEFF **EDELSTEIN**

I've got about a two to one

there, but I don't care. From a distance it all looks like grass.

For real: If my lawn consisted of a dozen or so dead Jolly Green Giants, I wouldn't care. so long as their. decaying bodies remained green. So it's not

really a battle: for whatever reason. things stay a pleasant shade of Kermit back there. All I have

to do is mów and trim. Let's start with the whacking. Or is it wacking? Really, it's just trimming, but anyway... not a huge fan.

It seems like a whole lotta work with limited reward. Plus, my right arm shakes. the rest of the day after I use the thing.

(I was going to go with a "shakes like Lindsey Lohan entering rehab" joke up there, but honestly, I kind of like that Lohan girl. I think .she's going to turn it around. This just in: She's probably not tarning it around.)

Where was I? Oh yes. Trimming and mowing.

Trimming, meh. But mowing? Oh, I like to mow. How I like to mow. There's just about nothing in this world I like more than mowing my¹ lawn. 🤟

Once I get my 20-year-old John Deere hand-me-down from my dad up and running (average amount of pulls to get it started: 14; average amount of grunts: 12; average amounts of "You've got to be (bleeping) kidding me": 3), then it's a good hour or so of complete and utter bliss.

Sweet, sweet Zen. I'm talking Buddha under the Bodhi tree levels of contentment.

I adore mowing the lawn. It is the only time during the week when I am completely, utterly, without question, alone. It is the most wonderful time of the week, and I thank the constant "vrrrrrrr" of the old lawnmower for the peace. Why? Because the sheer volume of the thing prevents my wife from asking

me things like, *Can you finish emptying the dishwasher because the baby is screaming and she hasn't eaten since noon and your son — yes, your son! — has managed to climb on top of the refrigerator, so try and coax him down, and can you throw in the whites in the wash because we're - Oh god, the dog just vomited on * the carpet — out of towels. And your mother called. She wanted to know what we're doing this weekend. I told 'her I don't think anything, but ...

Yep. Nothing can touch me, when I'm mowing and mowing and mowing some more, maybe even doing some cross-cutting, just to be sure no blade of grass (or weed) goes untouched.

So yeah. I do enjoy the mowing aspect of the whole operation.

And then when I'm done. I take a deep breath, crack open a cold one and ... realize I forgot the front of the house. It happens every time.

Jeff Edelstein can be Reached at facebook.com/ jeffreyedelstein and twitter. com/jeffedelstein.

OUR TAKE: Editorial Loans for auto industry paid off

Sometimes you just have to have a little faith. The Democrats did when the country approved loans to the auto industry. Critics shouted loud and clear that the loans were wrong, that they were anti-free enterprise and were just another major drain on the U.S. Treasury.

Well, the critics were wrong and the Democrats deserve to gloat.

Chrysler Corp. has repaid \$7.5 billions in loans from the United States and Canadian governments. Chrysler made good on \$5.8 billion owed to the U.S. Treasury and \$1.7 billion that was loaned by Canada and Ontario.

Chrysler and Fiat Chief Executive Officer Sergio Marchionne was in town recently to celebrate the official grand opening of Michigan's first standalone Flat dealership at the Lakeside Mall in Macomb County and made the announcement about repaying the loans, an action that comes just 23 months after Chrysler entered bankruptcy.

Skeptics in 2009 thought the Fiat-Chrysler merger would fail and that the Italian automaker would never be able to open standalone dealerships in the United States. But Lakeside of Fish marked the 59th U.S. dealership. Chrysler's comeback is paralleling that of General Motors, which also received government loans and has shown strong sales and profits this year. The bottom line was that the auto companies needed the loans to survive and the games some leaders in Washington played in 2009 were not fun. They are insulfing and denigrating and certainly don't have the best interest of the nation in mind. **Consider how Wall** Street and the financial institutions got their bailout money - not a loan almost immediately and without jumping

through the hoops our Congressmen set up for the car company executives.

Our leaders didn't flinch when they approved funds for AIG, whose executives promptly went on junkets ' costing hundreds of thousands of dollars.

But all that said, the money was needed to help sustain the companies - and it was for the sake of not only the employees, but all of the peripheral businesses that deal with the auto. industry, as well as the many communities and school districts throughout the country that badly need the tax revenue. Southeast Michigan and the state would be a vast wasteland if the companies failed.

President Obama deserves credit for doing what he knew was right. We commend him and other state political leaders who were very vocal in their support and efforts to get the loans. These include former Gov. Jennifer Granholm, U.S. Sens. Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, and Reps. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township and Sander Levin, D-Royal Oak, who stuck to their beliefs — and faith in Chrysler. In fact, Peters has issued another invitation to Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, to visit auto-workers in Michigan. The representative initially invited McCain to such a meeting in November 2009, when McCain expressed doubt about Chrysler's survival. It's always easy to be negative when someone '' the future is unknown -prospects are much brighter for our auto companies today than McCain had believed. If he has any class, he'll accept Peters' invitation.



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Your Voice: Letters to the Editor.

America's leadership must reject entitlement to avoid disaster

I am responding to a letter, to the editor appearing in the June 2 edition titled "There is still time to pay attention to politics."

The author is correct when sharing, "For those of you who have decided that politics is too much and you have turned it off, it's time to turn it back on." There is much at stake

for all Americans. **District 7 Congressional** Rep. Tim Walberg has been voting on behalf of those constituents that supported his candidacy over liberal/ progressive Mark Schauer.

It was a good thing for all Americans that the Democrats were unable to infringe on First Amendment rights when Congressman Walberg and the Congress voted down flawed legislation introduced to intimidate companies that seek work from ... the federal government by requiring individual management employees' financial campaign contributions disclosure,

Unions were not required under this same legislation to disclose their campaign contributions; a double standard, simply hypocrisy

or yet another example of crony-capitalism?

I would caution anyone from depending solely on blogs for an authoritative review on any topic, let alone legislative efforts where partisan politics are always front and center, and always biased.

Therefore, if any reader * wants to understand GOP Paul Ryan's budget blueprint, read it yourself, or listen directly to Paul Ryan on the occasions he rebuts the distortions and, in some cases, outright lies perpetrated by opponents to his plan.

Do you find it disingenuous that the most vocal opponents have no solutions to offer in contrast to Ryan's plan?

Maintaining the sta-tus quo for Medicaid or Medicare is a fool's mission, as both programs are on an unsustainable path that will drive America off the fiscal cliff to bankruptcy. But that reality was not mentioned.

Under this current administration and the leadership of Speaker Pelosi — with whom then-Congressman Schauer marched in lock-step - social and corporate welfare spending erupted, increasing our nation's debt by almost \$4 trillion in

I know, that too was Bush's fault. If readers want another point of view regarding Medicare and Medicaid, consider reading "Why we must end Medicare 'as we know it" by Washington Post opinion writer, Robert Samuelson (June 5, 2011). The repeal of

"Obamacare," also known as The Affordable Care Act, must remain a focus. To do anything else is to sentence America to assured insolvency. *

That's not to suggest that healthcare reform isn't necessary. It is.

But we need to engage * free-market enterprise forces to drive down costs and to support medical advancement.

To follow through on the misguided legislation as signed into law is to further separate patients from the medical decision-making process, which to date has had a large influence on the rising cost of medical services.

When people are required to engage as consumers, they will become more informed and will render better decisions associated with their health and their treatment options.

Due to the employer and Government provided health insurance coverage. few patients question the costs of their medical treatments, basically accepting any and all costs because we have been lulled into thinking someone else pays - which is wholly inaccurate.

To assert that Obamacare reduces or even bends the cost curve is indicative that someone has not done his or her homework.

When the Obamacare plan cuts \$500 billion from the current Medicare Program to utilize in paying for other aspects of Obamacare there is no cost savings; rather it represents yet another effort by elected leaders to mislead the American people. At some point perhaps, we will wake up and demand honesty and transparency from both sides of the aisle, and that the American people are put before partisan politics but then again, I have been

accused of being naïve. Creating an environment so American business can be competitive in the global market place must be a cornerstone for the fiscal and entitlement reforms necessary to keep America from insolvency.

Our personal and corporate tax code is onerous and uncompetitive. Further, 47 percent of the population pays no federal income tax.

 yet can vote for politicians that make promises underwritten from another's pocketbook.

If you'd like a preview of what we might expect in America should proper reform at all levels not be enacted, look no further than the European Union.

The EU member nations falling under the PIIGS (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece and Spain) banner represent the outcome of cradle-to-grave entitlements.

While noble in its origin, the endeavor to engage in social-justice never works. Our resident is ideologically committed to "fundamentally transforming America." This is code for social justice, wherein there is a belief that government-controls can guarantee equal outcomes.

Under that belief system, personal responsibility and hard work are rewarded by the redistribution of those successes and rewards to those unwilling to put forth equal effort or unwilling to undertake similar selfsacrifice.

That is not to suggest that those in our society that truly are physically and/or mentally incapable should not be provided for. They should be.

'Rewarding long-term those who are physically

In the meantime, Democrats can enjoy the moment.

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and mentally capable, but who choose instead not to put forth the necessary efforts or are not willing to make the self-sacrifice that supports success, is simply wrong-headed and not at all aligned with America's meritocracy.

Too many of our elected leadership have supported programs that addict the masses on the narcotic and belief in a free lunch.

Beyond providing a short-term hand up, all able bodied individuals are, for the most part, responsible for their lot in life.

If someone chooses not to get an education or not to learn a skill necessary for gainful employment, they reap what they sow, and society has no obligation to re-distribute the rewards of success to assure an equal outcome.

America's creed is to provide equal opportunity, not individual success

Until our elected leadership aligns laws, policies and regulations to establish an environment conducive to private sector and individual success, and couple those efforts with the reform of entitlements and our tax code, America will continue to languish, driving us ever closer to fiscal disaster.

Dave Miller 🐇



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Keep high-speed Internet in rural areas

A friend called recently with distressing news about a bill in the Michigan House that could adversely affect DSL Internet users in rural areas of Washtenaw County and the rest of the state.

The friend learned that the bill in question, backed by AT&T, could wipe out high-speed DSL Internet service in sparsely settled rural areas, such as the one where my wife and I live in Lyndon Township.

The friend said the bill would free AT&T and other telecom companies from a lot of legal restraints at the expense of their customers. He added that the bill, if passed, could cost a great many AT&T technicians their jobs.

The friend identified the measure as Michigan House Bill 4314, introduced Feb. 22 and sent to the Energy and Technology Committee. He said the worst part of the bill for people in rural areas is Section 313.

I Googled "Michigan House Bill 4314 of 2011." The gist of Section 313 is that if cell phone service is available in an area, AT&T can stop offering land-line service in sparsely settled areas, Section 313 reads as follows:

Sec. 313. (1) A telecommunication provider that provides either basic local exchange or toll service, or both, shall not discontinue either service to an exchange unless one or more alternative telecommunication providers are furnishing a comparable voice service to the customers in the exchange. A comparable voice service includes any two-way voice service offered through any form of technology that is capable of placing and receiving calls from a provider of basic local exchange service, including voice over internet protocol services and wireless services.

I didn't read the whole bill, which is long and full of

bill again and found a blog by a Phillip Dampier, a consumer reporter involved in several public interest projects, including Stop the Cap, a campaign to stop Internet overcharging schemes.

Here is an excerpt from his blog:

"AT&T stands to benefit enormously from the latest attempt to deregulate telecom services that could leave rural Michigan residents without a phone line, strips consumer protection and oversight rules to protect ratepayers, and wipes out the state Public Service Commission's (PSC) traditional role of arbitrating telephone service and billing disputes. In short, it delivers all of the benefits to AT&T and hangs up on Michigan consumers when their telephone service goes wrong.

"AT&T has found a real friend in Rep. Ken Horn, R-Frankenmuth, who introduced Michigan House Bill 4314 of 2011, a bill to overhaul Michigan's telecom law. Horn is AT&T's top recipient of political contributions made by the company (and its employees) in the Michigan House. He's "the third largest recipient of phone company money , in the state, according to records from Project Vote Smart. Horn's bill delivers absolutely no discernible benefits to Michigan rate payers."

Dampier said Horn's bill would eliminate the following: the state Public Service Commission's annual report on telecom competition and rate fairness; à requirement that telecom companies keep records on the costs of delivering services; and a requirement that the companies deliver "high quality basic local service" to all residents in the state.

Dampier said the bill would further eliminate service quality standards established by the PSC on June 30 and also the PSC's authority to issue fines, cease and desist orders or revocation

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Dampier said the proposed bill would also reduire all parties in a mediated dispute to keep the outcome secret, eliminate state-mandated fair billing practices and eliminate a requirement that companies provide customers with a clear explanation of the terms of services and a statement of all charges and taxes in customers' monthly bills.

The blogger noted that, during a trip to Michigan last month, President Obama promoted expanding broadband service to thinly populated areas, including the Upper Peninsula. Nothing in the new bill responds to that request.

Instead, said Dampier, the bill grants AT&T permission to abandon landline service to these areas altogether, taking the prospects for DSL with it.

Another friend, a consultant extremely knowledgeable about computer issues, objects to the blogger's broad indictment of AT&T's

motives. He says requiring AT&T to maintain those costly old rural landlines would be putting an albatross around the company's neck. If those, old lines are to be kept, they need to be replaced eventually, he adds. Of course, they could be replaced with wireless.

This consultant friend suggests AT&T might not * mind House Bill 4314 failing. The company could then apply for a rate hike for rural subscribers and, if that is rejected, might sell that service. Companies, perhaps buying pieces of it; might be less capable and might provide inferior service.

This friend suggests that instead of killing the whole bill, legislators need to be persuaded to rework Section 313 to include a requirement that rural land-line service be continued until service with comparable or superior speed is installed and made available to customers at a cost not much higher than the cost of DSL service.

This would require new wired, fiber, and/or wireless technology that is now becoming available.

A few years ago our dialup linternet connection speed at home was a slow 26.4 kilobytes per second, then varied with a Sprint air card from just 200 to 300 kbs to an occasional high of 500 . or 600 kbs for \$60 a month.

Finally, we and others in our neighborhood got highspeed DSL. It's a relatively low-cost 1.5-megabit service, almost 50 times as fast as dial-up.

I am appalled at the possibility of having to go back to slow dial-up service. Ray Sleep

Lyndon Township



The Saline Reporter and The Oakland Press are twin Rip Van Winkles. Both have been asleep since President Obama took office.

Obama has been on vacation since he took office. He spent more time on the golf course in his first year and a half in office than President G.W. Bush did in his eight years as president.

Obama has had lots of fun as president spending the American taxpayers' money.

I would say he has spent like a drunken sailor, but that would be demeaning the sailor, at least our sailors in service to our country, and the same can't be said about Obama.

'Let's not forget all of the countries that he has been vacationing with his family, and that he apologizes to

them for what a lousy country America is.

Oh, I almost forgot that his wife has already spent more money for vacations and handmaidens than all presidents' wives who severed that office before him, and he has only been in office a year and a half.

Yes, let's give Obama a break like kicking him out of office so he could get some rest. He could vacation all the time at taxpayers' expense. Then, he would be like most other Americans who can't afford vacations.

Our grandchildren will never know what it's like to take a vacation because he has already spent so much money that they'll never be able to get America out of debt.

In conclusion, what does this country have to look forward to but always being a debtor nation? **Billy Buchanan**

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AUTO Mitsubishi adds smaller Outlander Sport for 2011

By David Schmidt Journal Register News Service

Mitsubishi has been selling its Outlander seven-passenger crossover for some time, but for 2011, it has created a downsized version called the Outlander Sport that shares only the side mirrors with its big brother.

And it is certainly smaller. It's overall length of 169.1 inches versus the Outlander's 183.7 inches makes it more than a foot shorter, while sharing an identical wheelbase of `105.1 inches. It's a little over an inch narrower at 69.7 inches, and it's just under two inches shorter at 64.2 inches.

The Outlander Sport comes in two flavors in the United States. The ES is front-wheel drive and comes standard with a five-speed manual transmission, although a continuously variable automatic is optional. The upscale model, the SE, comes either as FWD or AWD, but offers only the **CVT** transmission.

My test car was the **Outlander Sport ES with an** MSRP of \$19,275. That's the base price with destination charge included, because there wasn't a single option on the test car. That's rare and I appreciated the chance to drive a car with nothing added.

In addition to making it smaller, they've buffed up its appearance to be more athletic and more masculine. The other most noticeable difference, apart from size, is the front fascia. It keeps reminding you of something, until it finally hits that this is a beefier face from the Mitsubishi Evo. With this huge grill sucking air over and around the engine, the rest of the body works to make the Outlander Sport more slippery.

Mitsubishi hopes that

common-a MacPhersonstrut layout in front, with a trailing multi-link at the rear. In includes cross members to support the new electric power steering *

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MARLENE

ANNE; age 59; beloved

life partner, family

member, and business

partner, passed away

home in Las Vegas.

Marlene was born in

Ann Arbor, Michigan

on April 5, 1952, to Er-

nest and Jeanne (Linde-

mann) Girbach. She

graduated from Saline

High School, class of

1970 and went on to

poration as a bookkeep-

er, before she found

her ultimate job, work-

and a redesigned rear floor pan specific to the Sport's exhaust system. Naturally," the set-up is specific to the size of the Outlander Sport. The interior hints at the

price of this \$19,275 vehicle. It has grey-on-black cloth seats and plenty of plastic. Surprisingly, the 140-watt *AM/FM/CD/MP3 stereo has good sound, although it's the

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base system with only four speakers.

Still, the base model comes with air conditioning, cruise control, tilt & telescopic steering wheel,

power windows and door locks, remote keyless entry, an audio system with steering wheel controls and a handsfree Bluetooth System.

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SCHWEIGERT GEORGE W.; Superior Twp., MI; age 79. Devoted husband, beloved father and father-in-law, trusted friend and passed from this life on June 10, 2011 at 79 years of age. George left behind his wife, Jean; daughter and son-inlaw, Linda and Ed Carnahan; niece, Dana (Steve) Doemer and their two children. Kaitlyn and Stephen Doemer; nephew, David (Cindy) Egnor and their children, Samantha, Jeff and Brent and their families; also surviving are various cousins from other states loving many and friends. George was born January 20, 1932, George C. and of Blanche B. Schweigert. He served two years active duty in the Army and upon discharge gave two more years in the Army Reserves. Jean and George were married on November 18. 1956 and celebrated 54 years of marriage. of service. He was a lifetime member of the Yankee Air[®]Force and a very active member of the Washtenaw Sportsman Club. His love of nature and animals was obvious to all by his photos and woodcarvings, which were his fahobbies. vorite George's expressive humor and love for life will be missed by all of us.' No doubt others are sharing in his beautiful . presence now. Cremation has taken place. Please sign his guestbook at www.JanowiakFuneralHome.com "Where Families Come First" The Heritage Newspapers want to honor your loved ones memory. To honor the memory of the men and women for their service in the military, American flags are available with In Memoriam and Death Notices For details, please call

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in Education in ples Retirement Com-1974. She worked at munity in Chelsea, MI; T&M Chevrolet for a passed away on Thursyear before coming to day, June 23, 2011; at Las Vegas. There she the age of 95. Prior to worked for DeSure Corton, OH for almost 50 years. She and her first ing in a CPA firm. Her husband, Charles Skelamazing story started as a farm girl from ed an Isaly's restaurant two daughters; Kimberbookkeeper, writing up 1940-50's. She also Kristen (Rod) Carpenbooks by hand, while worked at the Welling- ter; six grandchildren; taking accounting class- ton Enterprise newspa- Alissa, Nicholas, Alexgraduating from per for a number of andrea, Ashley, Bode, UNLV in 1982 and get- years where she wrote and Vaughn; and two fing audit experience a weekly column. before getting certified Charles preceded her and Daniel (Faye) Philer founded the Spirit of 1, 2011 from 3 to 6 p.m. known as Wilson and 76 Museum in Welling- where a Memorial Ser-Company, CPA's. She ton. Marge enjoyed collecting antiques, was an avid reader and loved to travel. She is survived by her children, Sandra Piepho of Santa Clara, CA and Charles "Bo" Skelton of Chelsea, MI; and step-children, Helen Prittie of Louisville, KY, Sam Henes of bered in the hearts of Cleveland, OH and Jim Henés of Cuyahoga Falls, OH; she is also survived by 5 grandsons; 4 step-grandchillike without the same dren; and 13 great grandchildren. A Memorial Service will be held at Silver Maples of Chelsea. For date and time call Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea, MI, Memorial con-Balentine; his tributions can be made daughter, Chelsea (Er- to the Spirit of 76 Muic); and grandchildren, seum, 201 N. Main St.,

CARO-Michigan State Univer- HENES, MARGARET OSTRANDER, sity where she graduat- "MARGE"; a 13 year LYN; Largo, FL. fored with honors with a resident of Silver Ma- merly of Milan, MI; age 63; died June 16, 2011; in Largo, FL. She was born April 29, 1948 in Windber, PA. In 1967 she married William her-move to Chelsea, Ostrander and he sur-Marge lived in Welling- vives. Carolyn was a member of the Monroe Boat Club. In addition to her husband Wilton, owned and operat- liam, she is survived by Michigan who became a in Wellington in the ly (Scott) MacLean and brothers, James (Elke) on October 17, 1985. She in death, passing away lips. The family will recontinued to work in in 1968. Marge and ceive friends at Ochathe same CPA firm, al- Ernst Henes were mar- lek-Stark Funeral Home vice will be held at 6 Those desiring p.m. make contribumay tions to Huron Valley Humane Society. www.ochalekstark.com



WALLACE **F**.:-SEITZ, Saline, MI; age 93; passed away on June 27, 2011 at his home in Saline. He was born on October 17, 1917 at the family home on Muehleisen Road in Dundee, MI, the son of Anson and Beryl (Wallace) Seitz. On March 20, 1943 in Ypsilanti, MI the son in San Luis Obispo,_CA, he married Helen Schaffner, and she survives. They had been married for over 68 years. Wally served in the Michigan National Guard and was called into the Army during WW-II. He served in the infantry from October George retired as a 15, 1940 until October quality control man 12, 1945 at the rank of from Ford Motor Co in though it changed ried in 1969 and togeth- in Milan on Friday, July Staff Sergeant and was Ypsilanti 'after 43 years a prisoner of war in Germany. Wally loved to play golf, shoot pool, and bowled in several bowling leagues. He bowled up until this past spring. He also loved spending time at his cabin on Lake St. Helen with his family. Survivors include 1 son, Allen (Lois) Seitz; and daughters, Darlene (Donald) Clapper, Alyce (Doyce) Caudill, and Joyce (Steve) Neifert; other survivors include 1 brother, Dale Seitz: 9 grandchildren, and 10 grandchildren. great Wally was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Thurman Seitz; and a sister, Hallie Navarre. Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, June 30, 2011 at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Saline with Rev. Dr. James E. Tuttle, officiating. Burial will take place at the Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock, MI, at 3:30 P.M. following the service with military honors under the auspices of the U.S. Army Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the church or to a charity of one's choice. Envelopes will be available at the Robison-Bahnmiller Funeral Home in Saline, MI, where friends may begin calling on Wednesday, June 29, 2011 between the hours of 2 and 8 p.m., and at the Church on Thursday, June 30, 2011 from 10 a.m. until Time of Service at 11 a.m. To sign Wally's guestbook or to leave a memory visit http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/annorbor/ or for more information or directions please vis-

not everybody looking for a five-passenger crossover ute wants the same ones their neighbors have. This part of the market lets smaller companies like Mitsubishi have a piece of the segment without raising the ire of the big boys. Mitsubishi's experienced at this, and they know you need to offer something different—a different look, a different feel.

In the case of the Mitsubishi Outlander Sport, most of that difference is in its looks, although it does drive a bit differently. The looks are clearly divergent, clearly allow the owner to make a different statement than those who buy the Toyota, Honda, Ford or Chevrolet competition.

The driving is a bit harder to nail down. The Outlander Sport ES I drove was frontwheel drive and had a manual, five-speed transmission. which made the Outlander Sport livelier than you'd expect. Its gearbox is adjusted for more efficient driving, with triple synchronization for both 1st and 2nd gears, which smoothes shifting chores, and modified first and final gear ratios gears for more efficiency.

In driving around town, I found the first three gears to be well placed for normal driving. There's enough power available to the gearbox that everyday driving performance isn't at all anemic, which is closer to the norm than not in this segment.

That power comes from a slightly modified version of Mitsubishi's aluminum 2.0-liter inline four-cylinder engine. Using variable value technology, the engine produces 148 hp. and 143 lb-ft of torque. A few new features including resin-coated pistons and smoother camshafts reduce friction in the engine. My only complaint with the engine was that the sound it makes is not pleasant-an unfortunate fact of life with four-cylinder powerplants.

The Outlander Sport is nimble for this type of vehicle. The engine speeds it along nicely, and the electric power steering actually provides decent feedback through the steering wheel. The suspension is fairly ...

names and now 18 became a partner in 1995. She is a member of the Nevada Society of CPA's as well as the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. She is listed in the Who's Who Registry of Business Leaders. Marlene will be rememeveryone she came in touch with for the caring person she was. She was a "CHER" look-aclothing budget. She was an avid Dallas Cowboy fan and enjoyed cheering them on with her pet pugs, Teko and ChiChi. Her survivors are her life partner, Ron Percy and Paiden; her Wellington, OH. mother, Jeanne; brothers, Gene and Gary (Pam), sister Mary Alice Smith (William); and nephews and nieces. Nathan, Alex, Kelsey, Sara and Melissa, all of Saline, Michigan. Funeral Services were held, Friday, June 24, 2011 at Kraft-Sussman **Funeral Services in Las** Vegas."A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 11 a.m. at St. Paul **United Church of Christ** in Saline with Rev. Dr. Patricia Kenney, officiating. Interment will follow at the Oakwood Cemetery in Saline. In lieu of flowers, the lanti; family requests dona- peacefully into tions be made to St. Paul United Church of 18, 2011; at VistaCare Christ and envelopes Hospice in Atlanta, GA, will be available at the surrounded by friends Church. For more in- and family. A Memorial (Linda) Vallie. He' is formation or directions was held June 22, 2011 preceded in death by please visit

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KOCH, RUTH ELDA; Dexter, MI; age 96; died missed by her family, 2, 2011 at St. Mary's Ro-June 16, 2010. A Memo- friends and co-workers. man Catholic Church at rial Service will be The family wishes to 11 a.m. and be Laid to held at 11 a.m. on July thank all those who Rest at St. Mary's Ceme-9. 2011 at St Andrews have given loving sup- tery. A luncheon fol-United Church of Christ port, prayers and words lows at the American in Dexter. 5. 1



PATTERSON, KRISTE M.; 54; formerly of Ypsipassed away the arms of the Lord June at Bethesda Cathedral his Church in Decatur, GA, brothers and four siswhere she was a mem- ters. There will be a ber. She will be deeply Mass on Saturday, July of comfort.

THOMAS VALLIE **PATRICK**; Manchester, MI; age 73; died Thursday, June 23, 2011; at the VA Hospital Ann Arbor, MI. He was born July 11, 1937 in River Rouge, MI, the son of Willard and Virginia (Pilon) Vallie. He was employed as a gasoline truck driver and maintenance man at Sun Oil Refinery, retired in 1997. On January 11, 1958 he married Suzanne Finnerty while serving in the US Army. He was a paratrooper with the 101st Airborne. He was a member of the Men's Club and the American Legion of Manchester. He also belonged to Sun Oil Retirement Club. In addition to his wife, survivors include a son, Michael Thomas Vallie (Stephanie) of Macomb Twp., MI; daughter, DeAnne Rodgers, Lima, OH; five grandchildren, Candice Olsen (Eric), Daniel Rodgers, Erika, Hannah and Blake Vallie; brothers, Robert (Ruth) Vallie, Edward parents, seven

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Ford Escape Hybrid defines American hybrids

By David Schmidt Journal Register News Service

> he Ford Escape Hybrid is the hero of American hybrids. It's been around

for some time, has won lots of awards, and really defines what an American hybrid ought to be.

That's because you use it just like the non-hybrid version. It takes the adventure and excitement out of . owning a hybrid, for sure.

But that's what needs to happen to the alternative powerplant world—it needs to become, well, commonplace.

And that is happening, and the small sports-ute category is a good place for manufacturers to do this. These vehicles are bought by people who have a lot to do, and must watch their time and money. Unfortunately, there's still a pretty large price premium for the hybrid. But for families who do tons of driving, they may do alright in that regard, and at least they're doing something for the environment.

In 2008, Ford refreshed the Escape, giving it new bodywork and an improved interior.

The exterior is now more modern, but still is the iconic and popular Escape. The beltline was raised, giving the side of the Escape a more pleasing proportion.

The b-pillars are blacked out, lengthening the flow of the greenhouse.

The hood was raised and restyled. The front fascia was smoothed and it got a new grill.

While the Escape comes standard with 16-inch wheels, you can opt for 17inchers, which do ground it more, giving it a more

or 17und bre what kind of environment we're in Ford engineers include a power driver seat, CD stereo with MP3 capability, dual zone climate controls, cruise control and a 110-volt AC power outlet.

The exterior is now more modern, but still is the iconic and popular Escape.

With the second row completely folded down, there's 67 cubic feet of total cargo capacity.

To further improve the vehicle in 2009, Ford replaced the 2.3-liter engine with a 2.5-liter version, which moved the horsepower rating from 155 hp. to 177 hp. This may not sound like much, but does make enough difference to be worth it. Mileage for the 2011 front-drive Escape Hybrid is 34 mpg in the city and 31 mpg on the highway, while-the allwheel drive version offers 30 mpg in the city/27 mpg on the highway.

Also, the braking system's been tweaked for smoother braking and the air-conditioning system is now electric, reducing overall demand on the engine. The Ford Escape Hybrid comes in two versions, the Base and Limited. The Base FWD model starts at \$30,825; the AWD Base is \$31,015.

The Premium trim FWD starts at \$33,335 and the

AWD begins at \$33,525. This generation Escape has been around for long enough that Ford's probably working on the nextgeneration platform.

d the advances. 525. That should make the Escape next Escape Hybrid, or r long whatever Ford decides to prob. do for an "efficiency-ori-

good one.

whatever Ford decides to do for an "efficiency-oriented" model, well worth watching for. If you have any questions, comments or ideas, please send them to comment@AutoWritersInk. com.

It was almost a first toe

in the water and it's been a

But the coming genera-

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panel are more sophisti-

dashboard and instrument

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particularly good at night.

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Escape, you see a car from before the emphasis on fuel economy, in spite of all the talk at the time.

Perception problem continues to plague auto racing



DAVID GREEN

-Perhaps "malaise" is too strong a word to use to describe the overall health and well-being of NASCAR racing. But empty grandstand seats are getting to be more and more commonplace.

After years of playing to full-house crowds as stockcar racing roared to the top of American motor sports popularity charts, we are now a couple of years into a new era. Sunday's roadcourse event at Infineon Raceway in Sonoma, Calif., brought the latest example of gaps of empty seats where people were supposed to be.

Part of the problem is the gargantuan grandstands installed by the promoters at tracks lucky enough to have a Cup Series race on the calendar.

If the Daytona International Speedway grandstands can hold 190,000 people, and are only 75 percent filled, that's still a pretty hefty crowd - a few spectators north of 140,000. But the 25 percent of empty seats are so glaringly apparent.

Maybe the track owners were able to amortize the investment in stadium expansion before the feverpitch of NASCAR populari"ty began to chill. If so, then there's no problem from a business-plan standpoint. But the perception problem is considerable.

Because racing nowadays does not depend solely on the money collected at the turnstiles, nor even on the huge television rights revenues. It depends on corporate sponsorship to underwrite events, series – and the teams that put on the show.

Corporate sponsorship is all about image – the image of the participating sponsor and the image of the sport. Empty seats diminish the value of the image. Last week, NASCAR's

world was rocked a bit by the announcement that Red Bull, the energy drink that's become one of the biggest investors in racing over the past several years, is pulling out of stock-car racing. It's uncertain whether that means the NASCAR team which fields Toyotas for Brian Vickers and Kasey Kahne will shut down. The team is not merely sponsored by Red Bull, but rather, like the Formula One teams Red-Bull Racing and Scuderia Toro Rosso (Italian for Team Red Bull), is a property of the company whose corporate image is the primary identity.

Certainly, Red Bull hasn't enjoyed the same kind of success in NASCAR it's had in F1, with Sebastian Vettel capturing last year's world driving championship and winning six of the first eight races of this season, apparently on his way to a second title.

- One of the NASCAR drivers, Kane, is a temp, biding his time while he waits for veteran Mark Martin to vacate the seat of the No. 5 Kellogg'ssponsored Chevrolet in the Hendrick Motorsports stable.

But the upshot is that Red Bull is pulling out.

Attendance isn't only a NASCAR problem. Several F1 races have played in recent seasons to houses that were much less than 90 percent full.

Right down to the local level, finding an uncrowded place to sit and watch a race is no longer a problem.

There's just too much competition for the attention (and money) of spectators. Every sport, in essence, is a niche sport.

But NASCAR, fresh from its role as the 400-pound gorilla who sits wherever it wants to, is the most conspicuous in the flagging attendance story. The year started with hefty crowds just short of capacity at Daytona and the next couple of races.

Then, despite the reward at Daytona of the inspiring, popular victory by rookie Trevor Bayne, spectator numbers began to fade back down toward the levels of 2009 and 2010, to the point that the empty spaces were once again conspicuous.

The past weekend offered the unusual situation of a nearly-full house at Iowa Speedway for the Izod IndyCar Series event, contrasted with gaps of vacant seats at Infineon. It brought back the old joke, in the early days of the Indy Racing League, that instead of having a prerace introduction of the drivers, the track announcer might instead introduce the handful of fans.

Nobody in NASCAR is laughing now



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hansons celebrate 70 years together

Eldean Hanson of Dundee and Lillian Hinderer of Saline were married June 21, 1941, in an outdoor ceremony in Saline and are now celebrating 70 years of marriage.

The Hansons, now liv-ing in Chelsea, will mark their anniversary June 19, in a small celebration with immediate family, hosted by their son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Jean Hanson of Dexter.

Eldean retired from Detroit Edison in 1982, and

Lillian was a homemaker. They enjoyed traveling in their early retirement years.

The Hansons have two grandchildren: Lori (Dorian) Harrow and Kelly (Josh) Prusakiewicz.

They saw their family grow with the addition of their two great-grandchildren, Carson Prusankiewicz and Jillian Harrow.

Schneider-Fare

Michelle Schneider of Grand Rapids, daughter of Steve and Gretchen Schneider of Milan, and



Schneider-Fare

Donald Fare II of Grand Rapids, son of Sally Fare-Panchuk of Grand Rapids and the late Donald Fare, are engaged and plan to marry Aug. 6 at Christ Our King Lutheran Church in Saline.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Saline High School and Michigan State University.

The groom-elect is a graduate of East Kentwood High School and Grand Valley State University.

Health officials promote updated vaccinations

In recognition of National Women's Health Week, the Michigan Department of Community Health is urging women to get vaccinated against serious diseases such as pertussis, also known as whooping cough; human papillomavirus, which can cause cervical cancer; and the measles, mumps and rubella, to name a few.

Vaccines aren't just for children. Adults need to be vaccinated throughout their lifespan to stay healthy, health officials say. The American College

of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has issued an updated schedule of recommended screenings, lab tests, and vaccines for non-pregnant women ages 13 years and older. The schedule includes information about which vaccines are recommended for certain age and risk groups. Vaccines can help keep women and their growing

families healthy. Women who are pregnant or planning a pregnancy should talk to their doctors

about the vaccines they need. Before becoming preg-nant, a woman should be up-to-date on routine adult vaccines.

It is especially important that women receive Tdap vaccine, which protects against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis. Infants less than 12 months of age are especially vulnerable to whooping cough, which is on the rise in the United States and in Michigan. Each year, there are around 3.3 million cases of pertussis in adolescents and adults. To protect infants, everyone around the baby, including parents, grand-parents, siblings, day care and childcare workers and healthcare personnel, should be vaccinated against whooping cough and influenza. During pregnancy, it is

safe, effective, and important for women to receive the seasonal flu shot. A pregnant woman who gets the flu is at risk for serious complications and hospital. ization.

Often times, a mother's immunity is passed along to her baby during pregnancy. This protects the baby from some diseases during the first few months of life until the baby can get vaccinated. Women who have not

received Tdap vaccine should be vaccinated right after delivery, along with family members who have not received Tdap vaccine. Additionally, women who are not immune to measles, mumps and rubella and/or varicella (chickenpox) should be vaccinated before leaving the hospital.

For information on vaccines women need, visit --www.immunizationforwomen.org/. For information on vaccines adults need, visit www.adultvaccination.org.



Eldean and Lillian Hanson

State initiatives aim to increase organ donation

Secretary of State invites participation

New-initiatives to encourage more Michigan residents to join Michigan's **Organ Donor Registry** are seeing early success, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson announced recently in a news release. Among the new initia-

tives is a new policy requir-

recovery program, agreed. "The Secretary of State employees play a critical role in the donation and transplantation process,"

Pietroski, said. 'Their dedication gives hope to the nearly 3,000 people in Michigan waiting for a life-saving organ transplant and the thousands more who will benefit from tissue transplants."

The Michigan Health and Hospital Association also commended the new initiatives.

adult population - 2,184,331 people - are registered. 🚽

Last year in Michigan, 790 organ transplant operations were performed. Each organ donor has the potential to save eight lives and enhance the lives of as many as 50 patients.

Chere

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"As a heart recipient, I understand how lucky I was to even be transplanted," said David Rozelle, of Kalamazoo, who frequently visits SOS branch offices to urge customers to register.

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ing SOS branch employees to ask customers, time permitting, if they want to sign up on the registry. "This May, we saw a 20

percent increase in the number of new registrations over May 2010," Johnson said.

"Michigan has a long way to go, but that is so encouraging to us. I want to thank our employees who have really embraced this new policy, which is so critical to saving lives." Lisa Langley, executive director of the Michigan Eye-Bank, applauded the news.

"With one seemingly simple act, Secretary Johnson has opened the doors for Michigan residents to save and improve countless lives," Langley said.

"The Eye-Bank is dedicated to continuing its partnership with the Secretary of State's Office. We share a goal to serve the people of Michigan, and are truly grateful for the secretary of state's public commitment to eye, organ and tissue donation."

Richard Pietroski, CEO of Gift of Life Michigan, the state's organ and tissue

"We applaud Secretary Johnson and her office for implementing a new policy that will significantly grow the Michigan Organ Donor **Registry," said MHHA** President Spencer Johnson.

The Secretary of State has been a strong partner and supporter of our efforts with Gift of Life Michigan and community hospitals to save and improve the lives of thousands of patients waiting for a life-saving transplant."

Other SOS efforts to increase organ donor registrations include new reminders that are being put on some of the department's most widely used forms and a checklist that greets customers in some of the busiest branches.

Johnson also formed an advisory committee that includes physicians, lawmakers and organ donation leaders to come up with creative, cost-effective ways to promote the Organ Donor Registry

Currently Michigan ranks nearly last in the country, sixth from the bottom, in organ donation . registrations. Less than

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"There aren't nearly enough organs available for those who need them. The more people we have, the more we can shorten the transplant waiting list. The cooperation of the Secretary of State staff is really invaluable in this. Not only do they ask people if they want to join, they keep it in front of customers so they are aware of the great need."

Johnson noted that anyone who is interested may also sign up at the Secretary of State website at www.michigan.gov/sos.

Those who sign up will receive a free red heart sticker for the front of their license or state ID card.

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For more information about organ donation and the Secretary of State's Office, visit its website: www.Michigan.gov/sos.

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ThinkStretch program offers kids summer learning

By Donna ladipaolo Special Writer

Editor's note: Special Writer Dona Iadipaolo has volunteered to help at a ThinkStretch playground session July 18 at Scio Farms Playcenter.

Current stats on children's summer learning loss are not good.

Most students'lose about two months of math skills over the summer. Low-income students lose more than two months in reading achievement, more than other income groups. Summer learning loss is not correlated to race, IQ, or gender, but rather by how academically engaged students remain over the summer

One parent, Donna Lasinski, took action to combat summer learning loss for her three sons and their classmates.

"About four years ago, **T** created review packets for every student at my sons' elementary school - Haisley Elementary in Ann Arbor. Every year, I gave a gift of my time to the school," Lasinski said. "That year, I chose summer review based on my experiences with summer, and the slide in abilities I saw in the fall. I wanted every child to have the same opportunity to keep what I had watched them work so hard to learn that school year."

The review packets that she created developed into the ThinkStretch Learning Program of which Lasinski is the creator and founder. The program is now used by thousands of kindergarten through fifth-grade students across the nation.

"ThinkStretch is the only summer program designed specifically for full school involvement," Lasinski said. "We are a social-mission company aimed at closing the achievement gap by providing every-student

Community Action Network, and Bryant Community Center are also using it.

And students seem to enjoy their learning in the process.

"They were overwhelm-ingly excited about the workbooks and the main . character, "The Brain,"" Lasinki said. "A secondgrader summed it up for me when she said, 'It helps me not forget what I know." Another one was very

enthusiastic about the time he got to float pennies on tinfoil to see how many he could load on until it sank. Kids love learning that is engaging. And they like returning to school confident and ready to learn."

Helen Starman has coordinated the ThinkStretch program at Burns Park for the past three years.

"This summer will be our fourth year," she said. "We became involved when Donna Lasinski sent an

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email to a districtwide Yahoo group asking if anyone was interested in learning about a new program to address learning loss. I had heard about the workbooks from Haisley parents and was very interested, so I met with Donna to learn more.

"After the meeting, I presented the idea to our principal and staff. They were very excited - first because they had annually spent a lot of time pulling

together review materials for specific students to work on over the summer and second because the workbooks are directly aligned with the curriculum and grad level outcomes of the AAPS. With the support of the staff, our PTO fully funded the program for the first summer."

Paul Brown, Parent-Teacher Organization enrichment coordinator at Haisley, chose to bring the ThinkStretch study ses-*

sions to the neighborhoods and the school playground. this year.

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"The ThinkStretch materials indicated that holding study sessions in low-income neighborhoods increased participation in the program by a huge percentage at one of their participating schools," Brown said. "So, I latched onto that idea because I'd really like to see Haisley's PTO doing everything it can to narrow our achievement gap."

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with the opportunity to maintain their school year skills over the summer. By involving the teachers, parents and students with high quality, national standard-based materials, we ease the burden of summer review for everyone."

To complete the program, students read for 20 minutes a day, five days a week. Each week, they also complete two pages of math-ematics, a writing activity and a bonus activity.

'All students, regardless of race, IQ; or gender, lose their school year learning over the summer if they do not read, practice math and do some writing," Lasinski said. "Researchers over the past 100 years have consistently shown reading and math losses up to two months. I think of it like phone numbers. Once you know a phone number, if you dial it once a week, you remember it easily. But if you do not dial it for two months, it is very difficult to recall. Math facts and reading are the same." In Ann Arbor,

ThinkStretch is being used by Haisley, Abbot, Wines, Burns Park, Bryant, Pattengill, Allen, Lawton and Carpenter elementary schools. The Saline school district, Play and Learn Child Care, Peace Neighborhood Center, Family Learning Institute,





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ends last week. The day was filled with games, face painting and crafts. The day also marked the last day of the school year for kids.

Taste of America set for July 12

There aren't two com-



Township will invest in WWRA

By Krista Gjestland Guest Writer

The Dexter Township Board of Trustees voted to support the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority's efforts to move to a single-stream system by being an investing member. Tuesday night.

Director of Public Works, Dan Meyers, addressed the board to answer any questions about the WWRA's draft contract.

The WWRA is made up of eight western Washtenaw County municipalities, who came together in 1991 to give the area's residents viable recycling options. The original eight members included Sylvan Township, Dexter Township, Chelsea, Lyndon Township, Lima Township, Bridgewater Township, Manchester and Manchester Township.

Up until this point, residents separated their recyclable materials and dropped them off at designated points within their area. For Dexter Township residents, the drop-off location is the township hall.

When single stream is implemented, residents will be able to drop off their recyclable materials, without sorting them, at their same locations.

Trustee Jason Maciejewski, the board's representative to WWRA, said going to the single-stream system would most likely increase the amount

Inkely increase the amount of recycling residents do. "It increased in Ann Arbor, when they put their single stream system in, by 25 percent," he said. "And they were a community that was already considered a high recycling community." Maciejewski said WWRA expects a 20 per-

WWRA expects a 20 percent increase in recycling, but that number could be higher.

He also noted that the current WWRA facilities are out-of-date.

"[The facilities] are held together by bubble gum and rubber bands," Maciejewski said.

Each WWRA member has the choice of being an investing or associate member upon the approval of this new contract.

An investing member has voting rights on the WWRA board, but will initially pay more per household for the bond required to build the single-stream facility.

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the tent in the courtyard and will feature Chef Mike Thayer's world famous, finger lickin' barbeque ribs and chicken with all-the side dishes that summer has. made famous. Taste of America: Ribs & Old Time Music will be held on Tuesday, July 12, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at Silver Maples, 100 Silver Maples Drive. Chelsea. The event is open to the public and tickets must be purchased in advance at Silver Maples for \$18. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the

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Bloom to play Gazebo stage



Artist will play jazz standards during Sounds & Sights

David C. Bloom and Friends will return to the Clocktower Gazebo this year at 6:30 p.m. for Sounds &

Sights on Thursday, July 7. A Chelsea native, David C. Bloom has been singing and playing professionally for 30 years. He interprets the American Songbook of jazz standards and ballads of the '30s, '40s and '50s, including the great songs of George Gershwin, Duke Ellington, Johnny Mercer and Harold Arlen.

Bloom got his start as a "lounge lizard," playing piano bar and singing at the Roostertail Club in Detroit in the '70s. He went on to study jazz, voice and composition at the Oberlin Conservatory.

Bloom styles his singing in the spirit of crooners Nat King Cole, Mel Torme, and Sammy Davis Jr. Chanteuse Lori Minnick and drummer Alan Harris join Bloom to

create a memorable performance. Performing as "BoldDiva.Com," an anagram of David C. Bloom, Bloom plays a digital keyboard that recreates the sound of a classic jazz combo - piano, bass, and drums -plus guitar, organ, and vibes. All the music is performed live, with no recorded tracks, or "karaoke."

"We love to combine old and new songs to create differ-ent stylings," Bloom said. "Jazz fans will enjoy mash-ups of swing standards with Latin, R-and-B and Beatles tunes - even Reggae and Motown -- no song is safe." Bloom's 2011 festival season will see performances in Ann Arbor and metro Detroit, as well as his hometown of Chelsea. Details will be posted on the www.bolddiva: com website as they become available.



- Kitty Donohoe (standards) at the South Street Tent
 Gil Clark (folk) at East Alley
 Zero Gravity Band (jazz) at East Middle
 Bull Halsey (blues) at the Total Fitness Lot
 Los Dingos del Norte (rock) at the Sylvan Courtyard
 The Dixie Mafia (classic rock) at the Glazier Building
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- SRSLY Cinema will play the movie "Cheaper by the Dozen," rated PG.





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Associate members do not have voting rights, but will initially pay less per household. 🗸

Investing members will pay around \$33 per household, while associate members will pay \$26. The investing members' payments will eventually go down, but the associate members' payments will remain fixed until the bond is paid in full.

Of the original eight mem-bers, only Chelsea has agreed to commit as an investing member.

"Supposedly, Lyndon Township has passed resolution saying they are interested," Meyers said. "Bridgewater Township





is going to be an associate member. I believe Manchester Township is, expected to commit as an investing member. Lima Township I think, right now, is evaluating and hasn't decided."

Mevers also said that Manchester is dropping out of WWRA all together and, to the best of his knowledge, Sylvan Township will become an associate member.

Although the board agreed to say they intend to become investing members, Supervisor Pat Kelly reminded Meyers that this is contingent upon the final contract.

"We support the idea of single stream," Kelly said. "We support the idea of becoming an investing member."

She also said the contract needs some work, and she will be getting together with Meyers to sort it all out.

In other board news: The board voted to

postpone construction on their parking lot until next construction season, 2012 so they can go through the process with the Planning Commission. Clerk Harley Rider said the board needs to be sure to have it done in time for next August's pri-mary presidential elections.

The board also heard complaints about a vegetable stand that is currently operated at the corner of North Territorial and Dexter-Pickney roads. Several residents have expressed their concern with the stand, included some of the board members.

"It's ugly," Kelly said. "We have to ask ourselves this: Do

we want to regulate ugly?" The stand is large and con-structed of unpainted wood and white siding, according to Kelly. Aesthetics aside, the stand is legal and is not vio-lating any ordinances. Kelly suggested that the Planning Commission take

the issue up and listen to the complaints of the public. Trustee Julie Knight also

announced her plans to resign from the board this August. Knight is moving into the Village of Dexter and will no longer be eligible to be on the board. The board will look for a replacement to serve out the rest of her term within the coming months.



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"Pioneer Days to Modern Ways with 200 years of American fairs" 2011 Grand Marshal: Mike Briggs

2011 Fair Schedule

MONDAY JULY 4TH

TUESDAY JULY 5TH

Enter All Exhibits-Other than Exhibit Building	9:00am-Noon
Fair opens & Midway rides	5:00pm
Animal Oasis	
Michigan Hot Glass - Demonstration on Glass Blowin	g5:00pm
Parade – 6:30pm	
Crowning of the Fair Queen	Post Parade
Compact Tractor Pull	7:30pm
Steer Judging	8:30pm
Daily Drawing	10.00pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6TH

	Swine Judging	8:30am
	Animal Oasis	1:00pm
ľ	Midway Opens (\$2 OFF Ride Wristband with coupon)	2:00pm
	Michigan Hot Glass - Demonstration on Glass Blowing	
	Square Dancing	· · ·
	Manchester ATA Black Belt Club	6:30pm
	Lamb Judging	
	Manchester Swamp Grass 210	
ì	Daily Drawing	



File photo

The Manchester Community Fair begins Tuesday. A parade down Main St. will open the event at 6:30 p.m.

By Tanya Wildt Heritage Media

The 67th Manchester Community Fair will be a mixture of the old and new when it kicks off Tuesday with this year's theme Pioneer Days the Modern Way with 200 Years of American Fairs.

The annual event will be held at the corner of Vernon and Wolverine at the Alumni Memorial Field and run from Tuesday through July 9.

"We try to bring out as much of the community as possible and basically showcase what Manchester has to offer," said Ben Wojtas, director of entertainment and advertising.

The fair will highlight local agriculture and livestock and will also include a carnival and other activities.

"We've tried to cycle in 🕞

fan favorites," Wojtas said. The fair will be ushered in with a parade and this year's grand marshal Mike Briggs. The parade begins at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and will run down Main Street. The midway opens at 5:30 p.m. Following the parade, the queen competition will take place along with a tractor pull.

Wednesday will feature a demonstration from a black belt club, square dancing club and the Swamp Grass 210 lawnmower race. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the midway opens at 2 p.m. Thursday is Senior

Citizen Day, Anyone 62 or older will be granted free admission to the fair where the Toppermost Beatles Tribute Band will perform. There will also be equestrian games; more square dancing and a rodeo.

Tractor pulls will con-

kids prizes, a performance by the Saline Fiddlers and a steer, lamb and swine auction.

The fair closes Saturday with a dog fun show, ladies activities, scavenger hunt, pie eating contest, battle of the bands and bicycle drawing, with the midway opening at 1 p.m.

Admission for the fair is \$5. Children eight and under are free. An Adult season admission pass is \$20 and a senior season admission pass is \$16. "It's something for all

"It's something for all ages for the whole family to come out and do," " Wojtas said.

For further information, call (734) 428-8429. For a full schedule of events, visit the fair's website at www.manchesterfair.org. Tanya Wildt is the copy editor of the Manchester-Enterprise and special sections coordinator for Heritage Media. She can

THURSDAY, JULY 7TH

Horse Games	1:00pm
Animal Oasis	1:00pm
Senior Citizens Program	
Midway Opéns.	2:00pm
Midway Opéns	om, 6:00pm
Square Dancing	7:00pm
Lost Nations Rodeo	7:30pm
Daily Drawing	

FRIDAY, JULY 8TH

Classic Tractor Pull		10:30a
Animal Oasis	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	.1:00p
Midway Opens	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	.2:00p
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Drawing for Kids Prizes		.5:00p
Saline Fiddlers		
Steer, Swine & Lamb Auction		
Daily Drawing		

SATURDAY, JULY 9TH

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Large Tractor Weigh-In	30am-1:00pm
Ladies Day Activities	0am-12 Noon
Dog Fun Show	10:00am
Large Tractor Pull 10:30ar	n thru evening
Midway Opens	1:00pm
Scavenger Hunt	1:00pm
Animal Oasis Pedal Pull Registration	1:00pm
Pedal Pull Registration	3:00pm
Pedal Rull Youth and Adult	4.00nm
Pie Eating Contest	5:00pm
Battle of the Bands	6:00pm
Large Tractor Pull-Continuing	7:00pm
Manchester Area Friends Bicycle Drawing	7:00pm
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Jenny Kempher, left, Evelyn Dority, Sarah Fielder and alternate Taylor Parks (not pictured) are this year's Manchester Fair queen contestants representing the Class of 2011. The competi-tion will take place Tuesday immediately following the parade at 6:30 p.m.

Class of 2012



Class of 2014



Taylor Withrow, left, Amanda Kleinschmidt Melanie Molotky and alter-nate Mara Takessian make up the youngest group of queen hopefuls, all members of the Class of 2014.

Jackie Timosyk, left, Kendra Waldron and Tori

Tracy are the queen con-testants for the Class of

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David Morgan STAFF WRITER

On this rare occasion, the town of Ann Arbor has the change to host Premiere Estate Buyers at the Gourtyard. "We are paying local residents next week on the spot for their treasures," said Jordan Parsons, a spokesperson for the event. The main items of interest, said Parsons, are anything jewelry related, with gold over the \$1,400 mark. Another category that has recently increased due to market highs is coins. One coin' could be worth hundreds or even thousands of dollars. "Coins start to accumulate a premium when they are dated 1964 or earlier," said Parsons. The astonishing part about the event is that they will pay you on the spot. Nothing has to be mailed off while you are stuck waiting for a check. This is not an appraisal event either-we are here to purchase residents' items for a fair market value.

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^b Huge premiums can also be paid for vintage watches. Parsons explained that, "One time in a show in Illinois, a customer brought in a watch that they had bought for a few hundred dollars back in the seventies. Turns out, it was a rare submariner that brought the local resident in excess of a thousand dollars."Parsons continued to say that Rolex, Cartier, Patek Phillipe, Hamilton and Omega are all great brands that could bring in a large amount of money.

The company recently purchased an old Gibson guitar in Grand Rapids, Michigan for \$124,500. And just last week they paid a Huntsville, Alabama resident \$15,000 for an old Martin guitar that had been refurbished and altered. Parsons said that most all pre-1970 Gibson, Fender, Martin, National and Rickenbacker guitars are valuable. They are worth at least a couple hundred dollars and in extreme cases, a couple hundred dollars and in extreme cases, a couple hundred dollars and in extreme cases, a couple hundred files unbeleivable. I brought in some old coins that had been in an old cigar box for years and some old herringbone necklaces—in less than fifteen minutes I left with a check for \$700."

Residents are encouraged to gather up similar items from their lockboxes, closets, jewelry boxes and even under the bed. Bring them into the Premiere Estate Buyers event and cash in. "We are fortunate to host the event here in **Ann Arbor**," said Parsons, "-don't miss your opportunity to cash in."



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BROKEN JEWELRY New or Old: mismatched earrings, bracelets, loose diamonds, all gem stones, etc.



GUITARS & INSTRUMENTS Fender, Gibson, Martin, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, amps, saxophones, wood winds, and all others.









New art installations are gracing the downtown area of Chelsea with the third annual SculptureWalk. While the walk is typically self-guided, on June 25, a guided tour was available for the 10 juried piec-es, which were placed around Chelsea in a 2-and-one-quarter-mile circuit circuit.

This year's SculptureWalk marked the first year for a guided tour, where several artists were on hand. to give explanations of their pieces.



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Shannon, Brian and Shane Sovia pose with their sculpture "Steel in Bloom."

COMMUNITY

Photos by Sean Dalton







A sculpture walk tour-taker places the plaque on Brian Ferriby's "Triangulation" sculpture.

Rick DeTroyer's "Shade Tree Mechanic" can be spotted standing around the Clocktower building.

Below, an old ornamented Plymouth wheel cover is one of many scraps that were combined to make the oddly lifelike "Shade Tree Mechanic" sculpture, which some tour-takers said looked like it was going to start running around the area based on its sentient, bipedal design.





Each installation in the yearly sculpture walk event has a concrete pedestal placed in cooperation with individual groups, organizations and companies





After writing the preview for David MacGregor's "Consider the Oyster" earlier this month, I was afraid that all of the surprises would be spoiled.

For me, anyway, I tried to keep the big secret hush-hush, but it's going to be addressed in this

PLAY

REVIEW

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play review. And you know what? That's not going to make a bit of difference because even if you have peeked within the plot's shell, there is still so much more to its contents than a mere glimpse can provide.

Main character Gene, played with

characteristic enthusiasm by Michael Brian Ogden, breaks his leg while rough-housing after the Detroit Lions win the Super Bowl.

The treatment - crushed oyster shell — fixes his broken femur and transforms him into a lady.

There! It's out in the open

With that said, don't assume that's all there is to "Oyster."

The question that exists at the center of MacGregor's story is: "What is it that one person loves about another?" It's a

his or her personality, intellect, sense of humor? What if something tangential to whom we are as human beings changed? Would the ideal unconditional love that we profess during wedding ceremonies withstand such a test?

"Oyster" is an allegorical treatment of

those questions that initially plays out in a comedic fashion, but shifts into high drama as the plot progresses to the second act finale. From here on

out, my review of "Oyster" is going to be highly subjective because MacGregor covers some pretty

touchy ground. If you think of gender and sexual orienta-

tion as critical, immovable cornerstones of who a 🦷 🦻 person is, then your view of this show is going to wildly differ from my own. If you're a chauvinist or a feminist, you're only going to see one side of the coin.

And even if the above paragraph touches on you as a person, I would still recommend seeing "Oyster," because its story is going to stir-you and fuel a lot of discussion after the curtain call.

The dynamic between Ogden and his buddy, Eliot, played by the alway hilarious and sympathetic Matthew David, is the cornerstone of the show. Eliot, who has his own secrets, adds some interesting dynamics to the story, only some of which I will mention, such as how a masculine person's masculine friends would react to the loss of overt masculin-



"Consider the Oyster" will take audiences on an exploration of what it means to love another person. Pictured are Staci Hadgikosti as Marisa and Brian Michael Ogden as Gene.

Notice I say "overt" there, because Ragland's Jean is incredibly indistinguishable from Ogden's Gene. In fact, being a female stand-in for Ogden is quite possibly the most skilled acting I've seen from Rhiannon in my time reviewing western Washtenaw County theater. metamorphosis while channeling both Gene the man deep down inside and Ogden the actor, and she pulled it off with unquestionable skill.

During the preview interview with MacGregor and Artistic Director Guy Sanville, I surmised that Ogden would appear in drag. The two briefly

love interest, and as such is the central figure in the main character's world. Hadgikosti's range as an actress spans from naïve little girl to worldly adult, and she leans more toward the naïve side here. Probably my only com-

plaint with MacGregor's script is that the "good" characters fall-into liberal

has willingly adopted some male gender characteristics to survive professionally. Unfortunately for her, even if she replaced those characteristics she would still be a terrible person at her core, which ties in nicely with "Oyster's" overall message.

Some of the best plays I've seen have led to me asking myself some pretty tough questions, and "Oyster" will definitely get the gears in your head turning after tickling your funny bone and touching your heart. 1.

serious question that you can't help but struggle with as you drive home from the **Purple Rose Theatre.**

The transformed Jean, played by Rhiannon Ragland, asks that question aloud during the second act of the show.

What do you love about your husband or wife? Is it -basically a "guy" at her core. It was central to "Oyster" that Ragland pull off the illusion of a physical and hormonal

The tall, leggy actress

masterfully recreates all of

Ogden's body language, his

gait, how he reacts to other

people and the line delivery is virtually identical. She's

lamented that critics would take them to task for not doing so, but I responded by saying that I actually liked what they had planned better than -another "Mrs. Doubtfire" routine. That opinion still holds true now that I've seen the execution.

Marisa, played by Stacie Hadgikosti, is Gene/Jean's

stereotypes and the bad characters, or character, falls into a more conservative stereotype.

Speaking of which, Sarab Kamoo does a great job with the part of Kay, an antagonistic high-powered attorney, and also Marisa's incredibly unsupportive mother. Kay brings the element of a woman who

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Authors part of 'Girls taking over the world'

Ypsilanti-based author Lara Zielin will visit Michigan on a book tour with three other authors this August.

Zielin is currently putting the final touch-es on her third novel for young adults.

Meanwhile, Zielin, who is editor of a magazine for alumni at the University of Michigan, is joining three other authors - Christine Johnson, Saundra Mitchell, and Rhonda Stapleton — to take a girl empowerment message on the road this summer with the Girls Taking Over the World book tour.

They will visit booksellers and libraries in Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio this August to read from their novels and to talk to young women about celebrating their strength and making their own choices.

Zielin will be promoting her second novel, new from Putnam Juvenile. In "The Implosion of Aggie Winchester," a teen becomes the target of her pregnant best friend.

Zielin's tour appearances will include an event at 7 p.m. Aug. 5 at Nicola's Books in Ann Arbor at 2 p.m. Aug. 7 at Barnes & Noble Livonia in Northville.

Michigan first-time author Aimée Carter, author of "The Goddess Test," will join the

tour for the two Michigan stops. Zielin, who set "Implosion" partly at a high school prom, will also do two prom-themed events with Young Adult author Will Purves at tutoring and writing nonprofit 826michigan on Aug. 3.

A writing workshop for teens runs from noon to 5 p.m.; a reception and book read-

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"Rockin' Reptiles"

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Activity Center, 8801 North

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ings begin at 6 p.m.

"Girls are going to get into trouble, but that's not the whole picture," said Zielin in a news release.

"Girls Taking Over the World means filling in the other half of the story, where maybe said girl makes some bad choices, ' but she faces them and grows from them. She goes to college and becomes a scientist. Girls Taking Over the World means helping girls understand that no matter what happens, they always have the power to kick ass.'

"Girls spend a lot of time waiting - waiting to be called on, waiting to be asked out, waiting to be invited. It's time to stop wait-ing and start doing," said Mitchell, author of The Vespertine (Harcourt Children's Books).

Johnson, author of the Claire de Lune series (Simon Pulse) agreed.

"Girls can do anything. I grew up hearing that," she said.

"Now, I'm lucky enough to be doing exactly what I want - writing."

Stapleton, author of the Stupid Cupid series, said girls are "hungry" for stories featuring heroines who are flawed and realistic but who grow into a sense of empowerment and inner beauty.

"Girls Taking Over the World is a way to feature such stories to them," she said.

During all the book tour events, local teens will be able to meet and speak with the authors, and some stops will be streamed live to the internet via LiveShow technology. All appearances are free and open to the public.

CHELSEA

Thursday, June 30 Comedy Showcase

6:30 p.m. Thursday: Chelsea District Library lawn (indoors in case of rain), 221 S. Main St. Free. 475-8732.

Sounds and Sights on Thursday Nights 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays:

Musical entertainment on 10 stages downtown, as well as Three Generations Entertainment with balloons and other activities for kids. Also, an art market, food vendors and carriage rides. Followed, except July 29, 30 and Aug. 25, at dusk by "SRSLY Cinema;" screenings of teen-friendly movies at the Clocktower Commons.

"Consider the Oyster" 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays, 3 p.m. Wednesdays, Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays: Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. Visit purplerosetheatre.org or call 433-7673.

Friday, July 1

12:30 p.m. Friday: Chelsea Senior Center, 512 Washington St. Free, but donations accepted. 475-9242

Saturday, July 2

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

E Chelsea Teddy Bear Co.11 a.m.; 1 and 3 p.m. Saturday: Group tours. 400 N. Main St. Free. 433-5499. E Chelsee Farmers'

Market 8 a.m. to noon Saturday: Park Street.

Monday, July 4

E Fourth of July Chicken Barbecue: Cheisea downtown, Free. 426-0887. American Legion Post 31

Noon to 4 p.m. Monday: American Legion, 1700 Ridge Road. \$8. 475-1964.

Tuesday, July 5

E Cruise Nights: Cheisea Classic Cruisers 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday: Wendy's, Brown Drive at Commerce Park.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR Cookout: U of M Sailing An Evening of Civil Discourse 6:30 p.m. Club 6 p.m. to after sunset Tuesday: With Sen. Rebekah Saturday: Baseline Lake, Warren, State Rep. Mark

\$5. 426-4299.

Sunday, July 3

E Fireworks at Hudson

Independence Day

Wednesday, July 6

Visitors' Night: Ann 7:30 p.m. Wednesday:

SALINE

Thursday, June 30 E Summer Music Series: Remedy 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday: Downtown Saline.

Free. 429-4907.

Saturday, July 2

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

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

Tuesday, July 5

American Legion, 320 W. Michigan Ave. \$5, 429-7310.

Tuesday: American Legion Hall, 320 W. Michigan Ave. \$7. 429-4840.

Thursday, June 30

Toastmasters 7 p.m. Thursday: Washtenaw

Community College, 4800 E. Huron River Drive, 769-0287.

Saturday, July 3

20th Annual Camaro Superfest 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: Riverside Park. Donation. 368-8726.

Sunday, July 3

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

MANCHESTER Thursday, June 30

E Gazebo Concerts 7:30 p.m. Thursday: Manchester gazebo, Wurster Park at Main Street west of M-52. Rain location is Emanuel Church Hall, 324 W. Main St. Free. 428-0159.

Fireworks Show: Manchester Men's Club 10

p.m. Sunday: Carr Park, 600 W. Main St. Donation. 428-

Experience a National

Park 7 p.m. Wednesday: Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St. Free. 426-4477. Arbor Model Railroad Club Michigan Central Depot, 3487 Broad St. Free. 426-5100.

8010 Strawberry Lake Road.

Mills 10 p.m. Sunday: Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North Territorial Road,

\$5 per vehicle. 426-8211. Monday, July 4

Potluck: U of M Sailing Club 10 a.m. to sunset Summer Concert Series:

Monday: Baseline Lake, 8010 Strawberry Lake Road: Free: 426-4299.

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Thursday, June 30

The Chelsea Senjor Center will have an Ageing to Sage-ing Class at 10 a.m.

■ Join the Chelsea Senior Center for A Matter of Balance at 1 p.m.

The Chelsea District Library hosts **Dungeons & Dragons Weekly Gaming Night** at 3:30 p.m.

The Dexter District Library will host

Challeging Antarctica at 6:30 p.m. The program is a double feature of two documentaries, "Hell on Ice" and "Ice Pilots."

Sounds & Sights continues in downtown Chelsea at 6:30 p.m. with performers such as Seven Bridges, Kari Holmes, Motor City Outlaws and Clean Beats, among others.

The Chelsea District Library's family-friendly Comedy Showcase will be at 6:30 p.m. with comedian Mark Nope on the library lawn's.

Join the Dexter District Library for **Up-Cycle Fusing Plastic Craft** with Tracie Lampe at 7 p.m. This program is for sixth-grade children and up, and registration is required.

Friday, July 1

Dan the Creature ^{*} Man presents: Rockin^{*}

Reptiles, a live animal show for all ages, at the Dexter District Library at 11 a.m.

The Chelsea Senior Center will host an Ice Cream Social following lunch.

Satuday, July 2 The Friends of the

Chelsea District Library hold their monthly meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Monday, July 4

The Chelsea Senior Center, the Dexter Senior Center, the Chelsea District Library and the Dexter District Library are all closed in observance of the holiday.

Tuesday, July 5

The Chelsea Senior Center has free blood pressure checks at 10 a.m.

The Chelsea District Library hosts **Senior Computing 1:1** at 10 a.m. Join the Dexter District Library for **Teen Movie & Snacks** at 2 p.m. The movie will be "Bride and Prejudice," rated PG-13.

Wednesday, July 6

The Chelsea Senior
 Center has foot care by
 appointment.
 Stop in to the Farmers

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Market for an **Ice Cream Social** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Show your DDL library card and get a free ice cream. The library will also have a drop-in craft time for all ages at the same time.

The Chelsea District Library hosts Summer Reading Wild

Wednesdays at noon with *a Harry Potter Movie Marathon and Trivia. The Chelsea Senior

Center will have a pre-trip meeting for Oregon at 1 p.m.

Experience a National Park with Dexter District Library Director Paul McCann at 7 p.m. at the library. Learn about the benefits of planning a National Park vacation, travel options, what to pack, what to see and the best time to go.

Thursday, July 7

The Community Walk meets at the Chelsea Senior Center at 10 a.m.

The Chelsea Senior Center will have an Ageing to Sage-ing Class at 10 a.m.

■ Arts Meets Business Coaching meets at 11 a.m. at the Chelsea District Library. ■ The Chelsea Senior Center will host a Medicare/Medicaid Informational Meeting at 12:30 p.m.

The Dexter District Library will host a **Drop-in Craft** featuring Paint a Plate for ages 10 and up

from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Cheisea District Library hosts **Dungeons & Dragons Weekly Gaming Night** at 3:30 p.m.

The Chelsea District Library's family-friendly Comedy Showcase will be at 6:30 p.m. with comedian Dan DeCapua on the library lawns at Katie's Korner. DeCapua has performed his unique brand of comedy all across the country from colleges and cruise ships to comedy clubs and festivals. His humor is clean, clever and always appealing with topics like marriage, raising kids and video games.

Chelsea's Sounds.& **Sights** continues at 6:30 p.m. with performers Kitty Donohoe (standards) at the South Street Tent, Gil Glark (folk) at East Alley, Zero Gravity Band (jazz) at East Middle, Bull Halsey (blues) at the Total Fitness Lot, Los Dingos del Norte (rock) at the Sylvan Courtyard, The "Dixie Mafia (classic rock) at the Glazier Building, Eric the Juggler at the Clocktower Courtyard and an open mic at the Teddy Bear Factory . stage. SRSLY Cinema will play the movie "Cheaper by the Dozen," rated PG.

Ongoing

■ Join Miss Jackie and Rosie in **Summer 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. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

The Dexter District Library hosts **drop-in summer story times** for 18-month old to 5-year-old children 11 a.m. Monday and Thursday and 1 p.m. Monday. The story times are 30 minutes long and will run for seven weeks.

Kate Mulligan from TCF Bank in downtown Dexter will provide free notary services on the second Monday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at the Dexter Senior Center. You: will need to bring a valid ID. If you don't need anything notarized, just stop in and meet Kate and receive a free coin counting coupon. This coupon will allow nonaccount holders to have loose coins counted free of charge at the TCF Bank in downtown Dexter.

Seniors every Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Comfort Inn

■ Join Chelsea Senior Center's **Computer Club** every Thursday at 10 a.m. ■ Be challenged by **Chess** at Chelsea Senior Center every Thursday at 10 a.m.

Chelsea Area Bridge meets Thursdays 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.

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

Fridays at 10 a.m. at Chelsea Senior Center.

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

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

Join the Mah Jongg players at Chelsea Senior Center on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Crafts every Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Chelsea Senior Center

Chelsea Senior Center's Quilting for Charity group meets on Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

■ Play Euchre at Chelsea Senior Center every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

■ Pinochle and Scrabble at Chelsea Senior Center on Wednesdays at 1

LOCAL CRIME BRIEFS

p.m.

Reward offered for graffiti suspect information

A \$500 reward is being offered for information on who may have wrote on the front of the Dexter Commerce Building recently. Please contact Deputy Jeremy Hilobuck at 971-8400, ext. 67180, or email hilobuckj@ewashtenaw. org. victim was not interested in prosecuting the suspect, but needed documentation of a police report for the collections agency. The case is closed at this time due to lack of investigative leads.

Traffic stop leads to arrest

Chelsea police officers stopped a pickup truck for a traffic violation on June 16 at the intersection of Hayes Street and W. North Street. The driver was identified as a person with two misdemeanor bench warrants for failure to appear in court. The subject was taken info custody and transported to the Chelsea Police Department, where/ he posted bond and was released pending a court date.



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The show, "Rockin' Reptiles," is an interactive, educational program introducing some of the library's favorite reptiles and meeting them face-to-face.

Dan Briefe's Little Creatures Company will-

11 a.m. Friday, July 1 at the Dexter District.

Library for children of all ages.

present one hour of live animal entertainment

Leapin' lizards

Dexter District Library to host live

reptile show on Friday

"Dan the Creature Man" has been providing safe, fun, entertaining and educational natural science programs for school-aged children since 1989.

This engaging program promotes global wildlife conservation and respect for all forms of life.

The animals are shown carefully and information about them is presented in an entertaihing, informative and age-appropriate manner. The program is 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.

BULLETIN BOARD

"Around Town with Linda"

"Around Town with Linda" will feature Mort Elise Moretti, CRC centenarian and engineering graduate.

"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.

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Wrong number, identity theft

On June 15 deputies were dispatched to the 200 block of E. Middle Street for the complaint of an identity theft. The victim told police he was contacted by a collection agency in reference to an AT&T phone account opened in his name. The victim stated that the service was not setup at his request and that the phone number did not belong to him. The

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THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2011

Calling all baseball fans

Vintage Chelsea club still searching for Dexter players

By Sean Dalton Heritage Media

> rior to Civil War Days at Gordon Hall earlier this month, a group of Chelsea vintage baseball enthu-siasts attempted to resurrect Dexter's 1860s base-ball team, the Wahoo Club, in time for the June 12 game.

They were unable to revive Dexter's team in time, but the Chelsea Monitors split into "north and south" teams and

played on part of Judge Samuel Dexter's lawn to show Civil War Days visitors what vintage baseball is all about. Chelsea vintage baseball organizer and Monitors team member Jon Van Hoek said that he hopes to have a Dexter team assembled in time for the second year of Dexter's Civil War Days adopted in time for the second year of Dexter's Civil War Days celebration in 2012, which he believes should be easier after the special game that took place on

Van Hoek and his fellow Monitors have been hard at work promoting the very unique vintage baseball, with rules that seem strange by modern standards, such as balls remaining in play after they are hit into the crowd or a complete lack of gloves.

June 12. "It was like Mr. Lesser's hayfield on the Gordon Hall grounds came alive as we exhib. ited an animated demonstration of base ball for the good people of our neighbor village," Van Hoek said. Van Hoek and his fellow Monitors have been hard at work promoting the very unique

vintage baseball, with rules that seem strange by modern standards, such as balls

remaining in play after they are hit into the crowd or a complete lack of gloves.

Their last game prior to appearing in Dexter was held at a community picnic hosted by the Chelsea Area Historical Society.

"We (have been) anxious to divulge the diversion of our chosen pastime at Dexter (since our game in Chelsea)."

Van Hoek, while speaking kindly of his neighbors in Dexter, doesn't hide the fact that he is excited to revive the rivalry between the two communities in the form of vintage baseball, similar to today's Bulldog/Dreadnaught sports rivalry. He said that the Monitors are even more excited about the prospect of expressing that rivalry



Photo by Erica McClain

Monitors Co-captain John Van Hoek stands at a table the old-time baseball club set up at the Chelsea Area Historical Society's picnic recently, while Everett Hofmeister of Cheisea picks up a pamphlet of information.

and south" Monitor team division that competed.

"The Yanks struck first and were promptly stymied by a stern Southern defense," Van Hoek said during his recount of the game.

of the game. The bottom of the first inning saw the "Rebels" bring across three tallies (points) as Evan "Big Easy" Wildey, Peter "Stonewall" Van Hoek'and an infantryman known as "Jimmer" safely crossed home plate. However the Yanks retaliated in the next frame with three equalizing aces, scored by the spry trio of Kirby "Walleye" Fisher, Mike "Gear Head" Hinderer and Dick "Deke" Dice. Another tally in the third saw the North entrench itself with lead of tally in the third saw the North entrench itself with lead of one after the first three frames.

It should be noted that, like the Civil War re-enactors, vintage baseball players like to preserve the lingo of the day and "get in character" to a certain extent, which makes the sport all the more fun, said Van Hoek. "The relative calm of that initial triad of innings was

summarily shattered, however, as both clubs unleashed an offensive explosion upon the rutted grounds," Van Hoek recounted, "The North plated a worthy total of eight tallies over the next four innings, highlighted by some timely strikes by Dave "Ginger" Bartley, "Smudge" Holman and an auspicious soldier by the moniker of "Colonel." When all was said and done, the South did rise again, as the North's tallies "couldn't surpass the Southern salvo of 20 tallies over the next four innings," Van Hoek said.

"A steady stream of Rebs made their bases, among them Dan "Crusher" Williams, Eric "E-Rev" Keaton and the potent greenhorn batsman Wayne "Doc" Petty." Van Hoek said that sometimes the sounds of bats crack-

ing the ball were reminiscent of the scheduled canon fire of Battery Company B of the 1st Michigan Light Artillery that was part of the Civil Way Days event schedule.

"The match did not lack adroit fielding by the respec-tive defenses, but the day was truly ruled by the fearsome offenses," Van Hoek said. "Due to a waning sun, the honor-able umpire, Mr. Albright, allotted a final half inning to the trailing Yanks in which they might attempt to even the score.

"The proud Northern boys refused to concede, respond-ing with a gallant total of six tallies in the eighth."

At the end of the game the final score was 23 to 18 tallies in favor of the South.

Everyone left the field with an eye to next year's event, if not a sooner vintage baseball game if the Dexter commu-

through numerous yearly vintage baseball games,

Van Hoek said that he was surprised by the participation of members of the 4th Michigan Infantry re-enactors, whose participation added further context to the "north,

nity can muster a team sooner.

'The Monitors earnestly thank the Cedars of Dexter and the Dexter Area Historical Society for being allowed to demonstrate their sport on such a fine day," Van Hoek said.





SALINE CELTIC FESTIVAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 8

6 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. ■ Music and Dance Workshops at Mill Pond Park

■ Cape Breton Fiddling (int/adv), instructor: Dan MacDonald (North Atlantic Drift)

Celtic Mandolin (int), instructor: Brian Taheny (North Atlantic Drift)

Penny Whistle (key of D preferred) (beg/int), instructor: Ross Griffiths (North Atlantic Drift)

 Scottish Fiddle (int), instructor: Cori Smith
 Irish Step Dance (beginning), instructor:

Delia Phillips \$8 workshop fee includes entrance to the Red Dragon Tent for Pub Night

Pub Night in the Park

·7:30 p.m.

Red Dragon Stage: Road Kilt

8:30 p.m.

■ Red Dragon Stage: 5th Annual "Mr. Prétty Legs in a Kilt" Competition

9:30 p.m. Red Dragon Stage: Road Kilt

10:45 p.m. ■ Red Dragon Stage: Beth Patterson ■ Slainte Mhath - pronounced slan cha va meaning "cheers" or "to Glans and Societies

10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Irish Dance Competition

10 a.m. to 11 p.m. E Food Fare

10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Celtic Survivor Registration

10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Merchant Village
 Textile Arts Tent
 Living History
 Enactments
 MacFarlane's

Company: portrayal of Celtic clans Society for Creative

Anachronism: re-enactments of Celtic battles Bird Rescue of Huron Valley falconry Ann Arbor Sword Club Dark Ages Living History Association (Vikings)

Monster

10:30 to 11 a.m.

11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. B Opening Ceremony: Athletic Field

12 p.m.
Red Dragon Stage:
Fiddlers Restrung, Hosted
by Beth Patterson
Jousting Demonstration
Textile Arts Tent:
Waulking demonstration

Pipe Band: Glen Erin Competition

■ Dance Stage: Ceili Dance (participatory) music: Chicago Reel, caller: Kimberly Mikulski

12:45 p.m. Pipe Band: Grand Rapids Competition Red Dragon Stage: Beth Patterson'

1 p.m. ■ Herding Dogs
 Demonstration
 ■ Pipe Band: Cabar
 Feidh Competition
 ■ Wee Folks Island:
 Rubber Ducky Races

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Acoustic Tent: Irish Session (participatory) led by Cleary's Pub Session Band

1:15 p.m. Pipe Band: Michigan Scottish Competition Brecon Stage: Blackthorn

1:30 p.m. ■ Pipe Band: Detroit Caldeonian Competition ■ Dance Stage: Èalain Ceime Irish Dance School (performance)

1:45 p.m. E Red Dragon Stage: Tecumseh Fiddlers Dance Stage: Barn Dance (participatory) music: Matt Mancuso & Patsy O'Brien, caller: Damhsa Uise Ban Mor

2:20 p.m. Pipe Band: Grand. Rapids Concert

2:30 p.m. Brecon Stage: Chicago Reel

2:40 p.m. ■ Pipe Band: Cabar, Deidh Concert

2:45 p.m. a Red Dragon Stage: Blue Fiddle

3 p.m.
Wee Folks Island:
Rubber Ducky Races
Herding Dogs
Demonstration
Pipe Band: Michigan
Scottish Concert

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Acoustic Tent: All Fiddlers Reunion

3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Rugby games

3:20 p.m. Pipe Band: Detroit Caldeonian Concert

3:30 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

 Wee Folk Parade with bagpipers
 Red Dragon Stage:
 Beth Patterson

• Dance Stage: Irish step dance workshop (participation) tory) music: Blue Fiddle instructor: TBD

4:45 p.m. B Rèd Dragon Stage: Ealain Ceime Irish Dance School

5 p.m. 1 Herding Dogs Demonstration

5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Acoustic Tent: Irish Session (participatory) led by Cleary's Pub Session Band

5;15 p.m. Brecon Stage: The Cathie Ryan Bahd

5:30 p.m. Massed Bands: Athletic Field Dance Stage: Cape Breton Ceili (participatory) music: North Atlantic Drift caller: Renee Ginell

6 p.m. Jousting Demonstration Red Dragon Stage: Blackthorn

Shawn Scanlin & Leigh

Dance Stage: Ann

Red Dragon Stage:

Brecon Stage: Blue

Red Dragon Stage: The

Rudner

Arbor Morris

6:45 p.m.

Beth Patterson

7:15 p.m.

Cathie Ryan Band

Fiddle

8 p.m. ■ Red Dragon Stage: Beth Patterson

8:30 p.m. Red Dragon Stage: Chicago Reel

9:15 p.m.

Red Dragon Stage: Beth Patterson

9:45 p.m. ■ Red Dragon Stage: North Atlantic Drift

10:30 p.m.

■ Red Dragon Stage: Blue Fiddle (pub stage)

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8:30 a.m. E Gates Open

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Highland Dance Competition

10:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. Celtic Dogs Exhibition 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. ""Wee Folks" Island: Children's Celtic games and arts and crafts

12 p.m. to 6 p.m. B Heavy Highland Athletics

12:30 p.m. Brecon Stage: Celtic Connections Band, Hosted by Bryan Kelso Crow 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Celtic Survivor Tournament Events

2 p.m.
Wee Folks Island:
Rubber Ducky Races
Jousting Demonstration.
Pipe Band: Glen Erin
Concert
Textile Arts Tent:
Waulking demonstration

Hed Dragon Stage:
 Beth Patterson
 Brecon Stage:
 Whippersnappers
 Showcase
 Dance Stage: The

CommonWealth Dance Collective (performance) 4 p.m. Jousting Demonstration

Textile Arts Tent:
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 Red Dragon Stage:
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 Brecon Stage: North
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The Sailne Celtic Festival starts Friday, July 8 in Mill Pond Park on West Bennett Street. It began as a result of the Sister City relationship between Saline and Brecon, Wales. It is a volunteer organization with many volunteers.



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Civil Discourse event set for July 5 at Silver Maples

When Will Johnson has an idea, it's usually a good one. After seeing and hearing so much politieveryone, the net effect of the evening was positive. "I sense that the community at-large

'The Music Man' to grace Encore's stage

There's gonna be "trouble in River City" when "The Music Man comes to The Encore Musical Theatre Company, directed by Jon Huffman whose numerous credits include roles on Designing Women and Days of Our Lives. An affectionate paean to Smalltown, U.S.A. of a bygone era, Meredith Willson's "The Music Man" follows fast-talking traveling salesman Harold Hill as he cons the people of River City, Iowa into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band he vows to organize – this despite the fact he doesn't know a trombone from a treble clef. But his plans to skip town with the cash may be foiled when he falls for Marian the librar-

Performance Dates

Thursday July 7, 7 p.m. Friday July 8, 8 p.m. Saturday July 9, 3 p.m. Saturday July 9, 8 p.m. Sunday July 10, 3 p.m. Thursday July 14, 7 p.m. Friday July 15, 8 p.m. Saturday July 16, 3 p.m. Saturday July 16, 8 p.m. Sunday July 17, 3 p.m. Thursday July 21, 3 p.m. Thursday July 21, 7 p.m. Friday July 22, 8 p.m. Saturday July 23, 3 p.m.

This award-winning, critically-acclaimed Broadway classic is an all-American institution, thanks to its quirky characters, charmingly predictable dramatic situations, and one-ofa-kind, nostalgic score of rousing marches, barbershop quartets and sentimental ballads which have become popular standards.

Tickets are going fast, and you're not going to want to miss The Music Man before he marches out of town, all "Seventy-Six Trombones" in tow. Performances take place Thursday through Sunday, July 7 through July 31. Guests at the official opening night performance on

> Saturday July 23, 8 p.m. Sunday July 24, 3 p.m. Thursday July 28, 3 p.m. Thursday July 28, 7 p.m. Friday July 29, 8 p.m. Saturday July 30, 3 p.m. Saturday July 30, 8 p.m. Sunday July 31, 3 p.m.

Ticket Prices

Adults 18 and over - \$28	3
Seniors 55 and over - \$25	5
Youths 17 and under - \$2	5
Groups of 10 or more - \$2	2
Cabaret Night - add \$10	I,



cal rhetoric on the television and in the newspapers, Johnson felt that people who live in the Chelsea area are intelligent and concerned enough to discuss the real issues facing our society in a civil and thoughtful manner. Thus, An Evening of Civil Discourse was born.

Last year, Silver Maples hosted the first annual An Evening of Civil Discourse, and

this July 5 will see the second annual event: State Sen. Rebekah Warren, State Rep. Mark Ouimet, County Commissioner Rob Turner and Cheisea Mayor Jason Lindauer will share, fisten and discuss their perspectives about local, regional and state issues and the possible opportunities therein with their constituents.

Both Ouimet and Lindauer participated in last year's event, while Warren and Turner have new positions at the state and county level.

Lindauer said that it was a privilege to-hear what Chelsea area residents and the other government officials had to share at last year's event, and that, even though the economy has had a major impact on

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items missing

A purse found laying on the side of the road near Old U.S. 12 and South Main Street was turned into the **Chelsea Police Department** on June 21. When the owner claimed the purse, several items were discovered to be missing, including \$100, passport, two money orders, and flea medication. On June 22, the passport was turned into Chelsea Police.

Man arrested for domestic assault

A female reported her live-in boyfriend assaulted her on June 23. Chelsea Police responded to the 200 block of S. East Street, and after interviewing both parties, arrested the 31-year-old man. The suspect was arrested and taken to the Washtenaw County Jail. A warrant for domestic assault was authorized by the Washtenaw County Prosecutors later that morning.

Residents reminded to lock doors

The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office issued a message on June 22 reminding residents to lock doors

appreciated the forum itself but especially the straight talk," Lindauer said. "The importance of the forum cannot be overstated. One of Chelsea's hallmarks is and always has been an engaged, passionate citizenry.

"It's one of our community's character traits that has allowed us to thrive and progress over the generations." He added that the event is an excellent

opportunity for elected officials to gain invaluable input directly from citizens.

"Citizens, in turn, can gain a broader insight into how decisions are made and solutions provided. I would hope that the everyone who attends the event would learn that the elected officials they've placed their trust in have a deep and genuine care for their needs, their families and their futures."-

An Evening of Civil Discourse will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 5 at Silver Maples of Chelsea, 100 Silver Maples Drive.

The event is free to the public. Coffee and desserts will be served. For more information, visit www.silvermaples.org.

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The incident remains under

suspicious activity. The ment was stolen from a alert message comes as the truck near Island Lake and Dexter-Pinckney roads. The owner told deputies a STIHL summer brings a rise in auto larcenies and home magnum power pack blower was stolen from the back of a work vehicle on June 24.

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The Chelsea Lions Club held its annual steak fry recently, where Club President Dan Nutt presented the Lion of the Year award to Lion Chuck Armstrong.







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'No Hidden Meanings' coming BOARD FROM PAGE 3-8

CCA to present artist's works July 10

The CCA will be presenting "No Hidden Meanings," an exhibit of drawings, works of art on paper and digital prints by local artist Joseph Bergman.

Bergman received his artistic education and training from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York, and his master's of arts from Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania.

He taught drawing, graphic and 3-D design, printmaking and digital imaging at Siena Heights University in Adrian from 1972 to 2006, at which time he was given the title of Professor Emeritus.

The exhibition runs from July 10 to Aug. 28, at the CCA Gallery, and the exhibition reception will be on July 10, from 3 to 5 p.m.

'Bergman goes through a methodical process of accumulating imagesand materials, breaking them down and modifying the bits to be used, ordering the elements, and finally organizing, and resolving his compositions," explained CCA Programming Director Sue Whitmarsh. "It is as if Bergman doesn't want to miss any possibilities, considering images and materials -- from the past and present, real or virtual - from which to sean, photograph, rip, cut, excerpt, sketch, trace, copy and draw.

"In a sense, through this wide-open approach, the artist makes things tough on himself, necessitating laborious gathering, combining and design processes."

Some of Bergman's archival inkjet prints will be presented, also known as for the Arts is to enhance the quality



Epson Ultra-chrome K-3 archival inks on Epson enhanced matte paper and mounted on archival boards, according to Whitemarsh.

"Giclee printmaking is a digital innovation, in which images are generated from high-resolution scans. And although they recall hand assembled collage images, where the diverse materials are attached to a common surface to create a unified work of art, Bergman's photomontages result by making a composite work of art

by assembling elements, then photographing the whole so that the final image is a seamless print. "With Bergman's work, the possibili-

ties are endless, but his work illustrates an extremely thoughtful approach, with each of his diverse, colorful and provocative elements, carefully incorporated into layered, symbolic and contemplative compositions."

The mission of the Chelsea Center "giclee" prints, have been printed with of life in Chelsea and the surrounding

areas through programs which encourage participation in and appreciation of the arts.

The CCA offers classes, workshops, private lessons, after school art clubs, summer camps, outreach programs, exhibitions, performances, and special events for youths and adults.

Collaborative programs produced ~ with community partners such as the **River Gallery, the Chelsea District** Library, and the Chelsea District Public Schools further enhance the capabilities and impact of this important cultural resource, which also contributes to the vitality of downtown Chelsea and supports local and area artists.

The CCA Gallery focuses on the presentation of work by students, faculty, area artists, and featured artists through curated exhibitions. Exhibitions are free and open to the public at the CCA at 400 Condon St., at Summit, one block off of Main Street, in downtown Chelsea.

Dexter Senior Center will offer 'Laughter Yoga'

Hearty and prolonged laughter is a form of exercise and brings many health benefits like oxygenating the body, clearing out the respiratory system, lowering blood pressure, boosting the immune system, and giving a cardiovascular workout. It also is said to decrease stress, anxiety and depression.

A new monthly Laughter Yoga class will begin on Friday, July 8 at the center beginning at 1:00 p.m. led by Barb Fisher and Pam Martin, Certified Laughter Leaders. The first class is free to Center members and successive classes will be \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members.

Dexter nursery school still has openings

The Dexter Cooperative Nursery School offers 3- and 4year-old morning and afternoon classes, and they are still accepting applications for the 2011-2012 school year. The school is located at 7643 W. Huron River Drive. For moreinformation, please visit www.dextercoop.com or contact Nikki at 734-424-2637.

Hudson Mills' 'Appreciation Day' celebrates kids

Area metroparks will have a day of outdoor fun geared toward youth on July 17.

At Hudson' Mills, there will be several opportunities:

Junior golfers, 20 and younger can play a free round of golf per junior golfer after noon when accompanied by an adult playing a round with a golf cart.

Coupons will be distributed at the tollbooth for a free can of soda and a free bag of popcorn redeemable at the activity center food bar, while supplies last.

Children's Day Fishing will be 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Rapids View picnic area. Fishing rods, tackle and bait will be provided, but preregistration is required.

For more information, contact Hudson Mills Metropark at 734-426-8211.

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.



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THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2011 www.heritage.com **Preschool Carnival fun**

The Chelsea Community Preschool held its annual Carnival and Silent Auction on April 28 in the Washington Street Education Center gym. Games such as a duck pond, bouncy house, rattle snake toss. cake walk, face painting, basketball shootout and many others were just some of the fun activities available that evening for children of all ages to enjoy. National Honors

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Society students from Chelsea High School and seventh and eighth graders from Mrs. McCalla's class volunteered to run the games and concessions. Many local businesses donated items and services for the raffle and silent auction, "which was held immediately following the carnival. More than \$3,000 was raised to pay for supplies and special events held each year



behalf of the Washtenaw County Facilities Management ⁹Department is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) #6624 for Asbestos Removal Services at various Washtenaw County Buildings. 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 6624 Due: Friday, July 15, 2011 by 3:00 PM local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at http://bids.ewashtenaw.o

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Washtenaw County Purchasing Division on behalf of the Washtenaw County **Facilities** Department Management is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) #6625 Proposal (RFP) bids for Construction and **Building Materials Testing** for Washtenaw Gounty. specifications Detailed . 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 6625 Due: Friday, July 15, 2011 by 4:00 PM locaT time. For more information. please call (734) /222-6760

Jack looks for pennies at the Penny Dig.

County Division on behalf of the Washtenaw County Facilities Management Department is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) #6623 for Environmental Testing and Monitoring Services at various Washtenaw County Buildings. 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 Arbor, MI 48104. RFP 6623 Due: Friday, July 15, 2011 by 2:00 PM local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6760

Washtenaw County Legal Notice:

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Food & Related Items for Head Start. 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 6632 Due; Wednesday, July 13, 2011 by 3:00pm local time. For more information. please call (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at

Washtenaw Purchasing



Len, Hayden thes to ring the bell at the "strong man" giraffe.



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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP **NOTICE OF** COMPREHENSIVE AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

comprehensive 2 zoning regulating: ordinance the and - use development ··· of land throughout the entire unincorporated limits of Webster Township, which repeals and supersedes the present township zoning ordinance, has been adopted by the Township Board Webster Township. The effective date of the amended zoning ordinance is 7 days after publication, or as otherwise provided by the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act. A copy of said ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Webster Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday or online at www.twp.webster.mi.us

Mary D. Heller, Webster Township Clerk 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter. MI 48130 (734) 426-5103

Comprehensive Amendment to Zoning Ordinance adopted June 21, 2011

Publish June 30, 2011

APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE MEETING TO BE HELD AT SCIO TOWNSHIP 827 N ZEEB RD ANN ARBOR MI 48103 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the Township Zoning Board Scio of Appeals will be held at the Township Hall, 827 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan. on Thursday, July 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. During this meeting the Zoning Board of Anneals will hold public hearings on the following matters pursuant to the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance of 2009. as amended:

SCIO TOWNSHIP

ZONING BOARD OF

Variance # 1542, Terumo Cardiovasculan regarding property code # H -08-21-200 024, 6200 Jackson Road, request to allow a temporary gravel parking for approximately lot 122 spaces rather than a hard surfaced parking, Jot. pursuant to Section 36-278(i), of the Scio Township **Codified Zoning Ordinance**

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

Details the concerning aforementioned matters may be examined by interested persons and written comments will be received, at the Scio Township Offices at 827 N. Zeeb Road during office hours, weekdays. between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to participate. Accommodations, including sign language interpreters, may be arranged by contacting the Scio Township's Clerk's Office at 734-369-9400 during the above hours, at least seven days in advance

> Scio Township Clerk Publish June 30, 2011

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE OF DEXTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended notice is hereby given that the Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 18, 2011 at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street, Dexter, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the following Zoning Ordinance variance/waiver request. The applicant, Bonni and Alexis Lahti, are requesting a variance for 7842 Grand Street, HD-08-06-154-005, from the following section of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance to permit the installation of an 8 x 12 accessory structure;

Section 3.02. Accessory Structures, Section 3.02(E), Required Setbacks (detached) - Detached accessory buildings shall be at least ten (10) feet from any princifal building or other accessory building and at least three (3) feet from any side or rear lot line. The applicant has requested a five (5) foot building separation from the principle building and a zero (0) foot accessory building setback.

Section 20.01, Schedule of Regulations, Lot Coverage in the R1B District - 30% maximum. The applicant is requesting a variance, to exceed the maximum lot coverage by 3.5% for a total lot coverage of 33.5%.

Information regarding the application is available for public inspection at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street, Dexter, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or by phone at (734) 426 8303 Ext. 15. Written comments regarding this project should be submitted to the Village Zoning Office. and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 12, 2011, Sign language interpreter, or other assistance, is provided upon request to the Clerk, at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Minutes of all



H. PDR Minimum Fund Balance Recommendation

Motion Westman second Estleman to recommend maintaining a minimum fund balance amount of \$80,000 in the Farmland & Open Space Preservation Fund: Roll call vote, Koch ave, Kleinschmidt nav, Estleman ave, Kingsley ave, Heller ave, Whitney ave, Westman, ave. Motion carries 6-1. Webster Township Hall Rental Application

- - Motion Heller second Westman to adopt the Webster Township Hall Rental application Revision C. June 21, 2011, policy 001. All ayes and carried, Adjourn
 - Motion Kleinschmidt second Koch to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:37 pm. All ayes and carried

Respectfully submitted, Mary Dee Heller, Clerk Webster Township

This Summary of the June 21, 2011, Regular Meeting of the Dexter Township Board of Trustees was prepared by Harley B. Rider, Dexter Township Clerk, and approved by Pat A. Kelly. Dexter Township Supervisor, in accordance with the provisions of MCL 41.728(5). A draft of the full minutes of the June 21, 2011. Regular meeting of the Township Board is available for examination at the Township Hall during regular business hours (8:30 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays). The full minutes of the June 21, 2011, Regular meeting of the Dexter Township Board of Trustees will be presented at the July 19. 2011, Regular meeting for review and approval by the Board. Following approval the full minutes will be posted on the Township's web site www.twp-dexter.org. 1.





THURSDAY JUNE 30 2011 .

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Legal Notices 1050 SYNOPSIS OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES JUNE 13, 2011 The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk Barels and opened with the Pleage to the Flag. Clerk Barels ap-pointed Trustee McKenzie to conduct the meeting. Present were Clerk Bareis, Treas-urer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laier. Supervisor Unterbrink arrived at 7:55 p.m. Also present several residents and guests. McKenzie called to order the Public Hearing to consider the proposed Lima Township Truck Route Ordinance. Two comments were for adopting the ordinance and one comment was opposed. Baing no further comments, the Public Hearing on the proposed Truck Route Ordi-nance was closed at 7:12 p.m. After requesting whether the applicant or representative were present, and no one responded. McKenzie called to order, the Public Hearing for Special Land Use Appli-cation #2011-001, filed by Sunrise Acres Farm, LLC and Ernest Bateson, at 7:16 p.m.

Refer to court reporter minutes for a tran-script of the public hearing comments, Pub-lic flearing for Special Land Use Application #2011-001.

Being no further comments, the Public Hearing on Special Land Use Application #2011-001 was closed at 7:50 p.m.

Metion by Bareis supported by Havens to amend the Agenda to mave from New Business, Application #2011-001, for a Special Use Landscape Supply Site at 851 S. Steinbach Road, filed by Sunset Acres, LLC, and Ernest Bateson, to prior to the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Later supported by Havens, to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2011 Regular Meeting and May 9, 2011 Annual Meeting with the Washtenaw County Road Commission. Motion carried,

The meeting was turned over to Supervisor Unterbrink at 8:00 p.m.

The Treasurer's Report was received

Resolution #2011-005, was offered by McKenzie supported by Laier, Be It Re-solved, to adopt the Lima Township Truck Route Ordinance #28, draft dated April 26, 2011, with the addition Section 4, "E. Fletcher Rd. from 1-94 North to Dexter Chelsea road, and the addition of appropriate Appendix A Map. Ayes: Havens, McKenzie, Bareis, Laier and Unterbrink, Nays: None, Absent; None, Resolution declared adopted.

Mation by McKanzie supported by Laier to table any action on the final Draft #7, of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Restated Articles of Incorporation to the July 11, 2011 meeting and present any comments to the CAFA Representatives. Motion carried.

Motion by Later supported by McKenzie to table the proposed Lima Township Pond Or-

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Washtenaw County Circuit Court is held). The mortgagee will apply the sale proceeds to the debt on the mortgage, as stated above, plus interest charges at the rate of 7.75%, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law or contract, and also any amount which may be paid by the mortgagee to pro-tect its interest in the property.

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dinance, for the Township Board to review and make changes. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to inform WWRA that Lima Township intends to be on "Associate" Member, and possibly an, "Investment" Member, depending on fi nal contract language. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to authorize the Clerk to contact OHM and confirm that we did not get a bond or letter of credit for Phase II Thornton Farms, and request they draft a letter for Board review that requires a bond of letter of credit and including that until we receive the letter of credit or bond we will authorize no future development. Motion corried. -

Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to ta-ble Breuninger Land LLC Application 2011-001 Farmland Agreement, PA116, to .receive input from the Soil Conservation District and County Planning, to the July 11, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Later supported by McKenzie to pay bills as submitted, plus the rental increase, and any others as may be required. Notion carried.

Motion by Later supported by Havens to adjourn at 10:28 p.m. Notion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Arlene R. Bareis, Gerk

SYNOPSIS OF SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 16, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, and Trustee McKenzie and Attorney Lillich. Absent Treasurer Havens and Trustee Later.

Motion by Bareis supported by McKenzie to go to executive session, to discuss with the Township Attorney attorney-client privilege correspondence dated June 9, 2011, Flor-ence Beach, et. Al. vs. Lima Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by McKenzie to go out of executive session. Motion corried

Notion by Unterbrink to direct Attorney Lillich to file the motion of reconsideration in the Beach et.al vs. Lima Township appeal, at a cost of \$75.00 and Liflich would handle the case pro-bono if his partners ogree. Motion dies for lock of second.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Unterbrink to refer the proposed flome Based Business section and related amendments, dated 4-4-11 back to the Planning Com-mission for all effected sections, to be pre-sented in proper adoptable form, and the proposed Section, 16.30 be reviewed with response comments from the Planning Commission regarding previous Board com-ments, Township Board Minutes dated Feb-ruary 7, 2011. And, in conjunction with that, review Section 5,22. Home Occupation, for consistency and compatibility. Motion corried.

Motion by Barels supported by McKenzie to adjourn at 6:59 p.m., Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Arlene R. Boreis, Clerk

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Photos by Mary Kumbler Diver Riley Dickinson was the first one in the pool for Georgetown's Swim-A-Cross Plus.

Athletes rule the pool and raise money for Red Cross

By Katherine Parak Guest Writer

The 34th annual Swim-**A-Cross Plus continued** to inspire local athletes to raise money in support of the Washtenaw County American Red



HS Financial Troubles Pay MORE to play

Paying for participation keeps HS athletics afloat

By Randy Castro Heritage Media

For many students athletes and their families, it's time to pay up or sit out. As part of its effort to combat budget issues, Saline High School announced a plan to increase the pay-for-play fee from \$175 to \$250 per student per year.

Other area schools are considering raising the costs and/or looking at other ways to help finance athletic programs. Ann Arbor, for example, recently cut out all freshman sports except football and delegated other sports to club status.

Saline High School's Athletic Director Rob White called the fee "a necessary evil" and said he opposed the fee in theory, but called the practice "the right thing to do.'

"Loon't like participation fees at all." he said. "But we need to find a way to finance (athletics.)"

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> ROB WHITE. SALINE AD

percent indicated they were not charging a fee for nonathletic, extracurricular activities.

White, who said the district never considered cutting athletic programs, said the fee goes to assist the athletic department budget. While the perception is that a fee for participation guarantees playing time, White said it ought to be considered a way to maintain the top-level programs and facilities the district now provides.

"(The fee) allows us to maintain what we already have," White said. "It provides the opportunity to do what's best for the kids, and that's what we need to focus on." Saline began charging a fee five years ago, according to White. The Hornet athletic director said while it was initially met with

Cross (WCARC) for critical, life-saving programs. Swim-A-Cross Plus began their eventful week on Tuesday at Georgetown County Club (GTCC) followed by Chersea Aquatics Club (CAC), **Barton Hills County Club** (BHCC) and Saline Swim Team (SST).

On June 21, GTCC kicked off the outdoor ' Swim-A-Cross Plus season. With increased participation. GTCC raised over \$2,500, while several athletes continue to contribute towards their team goal of \$3,000. Athletes arrived ready to show their support to the Red Cross.

First-time participant Andrew Huston (10), was the top contributor and swimmer. He participated by swimming 142 lengths and raising \$125.

"My favorite part was swimming with my friends," Huston said. "I felt proud that I could earn money for the Red Cross and have fun at the same time.

Coach Gretchen Plamondon is proud of the way GTCC families support this event so early in the season.

"We always schedule Swim-A-Cross early in the season because it generates so much excitement on deck," Plamondon said. "It's a great way to kick off the season to use our energy for a great cause.'

On June 22, CAC par-

Athletes in Washteanw County are participating in the 34th annual Swim-A-Cross Plus this summer. The popular fundraiser is actually a series of events for swimmers, divers and new this year for golfers that is held at pools and courses across the county through July. It allows athletes to participate in their sport and help raise funds for critical life-saving programs that the American Red Cross provides for local residents.



Taylor Brodbeck (12) was Chelsea Aquatics Club's top pledge collector and swim-mer. She swam 1:18 lengths and collected over \$300 for the Swim-A-Cross Plus (SAC). She is pictured with SAC intern, Jessica McDonaid as the registration table.

ticipants swam 45 miles. and raised over \$1,100 for the Red Cross with the support of the coaches, family and friends. While athletes swam length after length, they took breaks

to fuel up on refreshments donated by Mr. Pita and Whole Foods Market. Past participant Taylor Brodbeck (12) continued to show her passion for helping others by collect-

ing \$328.86 and swimming 118 lengths, almost tripling her overall goal from last

year, "Last year I told my family that I would swim PLEASE SEE SWIM/2-C

During the 2009-10 school year, 47 percent of the 475 schools which responded to a survey conducted by the Michigan High School Athletic Association indicated their athletic programs charge some type of fee for participation. Of those schools, 72

PLEASE SEE PAY/2-C

Small price for a big reward

I'm assuming there aren't many who were surprised by the move by Saline Area Schools to bump its varsity pay to participate fee up from \$175 to \$250. If you were, you shouldn't have been.

Considering the drastic cuts to district budgets to most. schools across the state, there was no way athletic programs statewide were going to go untouched or unchanged. With the large number of varsity sports and the even larger number of participants in this district specifically, the fee increase will allow for a similar



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level of on-field excellence and of-field development to continue through the upcoming school year.

That's worth far more than \$75 per participant.

Even with football, which is limited to just nine regular season game, the cost per game remains at just under \$28, up from the \$19.44 per game a year ago. A small sacrifice, considering all the memories that are made on any given Friday night. For sports like baseball or basketball, the cost differential is significantly less.

The greatest impact of what an athlete learns isn't lim-ited to what happens in a game. Much of the development

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Local sports briefs

Hiser a winner

Dexter's Noah Hiser (right) participated in the 31st annual Michigan High School All-Star East vs. West football game at Central Michigan University on Saturday June 25.

Hiser played safety all afternoon for the East team and did not allow a pass on his coverage. He finished with a tackle and three assists.

The East won 30-13 and had a great defensive effort in the win.

"He played a great game," said former Dexter football, coach Tom Barbieri. "We are all very proud of him."

Dexter state champs are homeless

Since their inception seven years ago the Dexter Rugby Football Club (Dexter RFC) has called the football field behind Wylie elementary their home. Intearly years the team experienced several growing pains gaining experience and finding their feet. Recently they have been in two consecutive state semifinals and this year State Champions.

In an effort to simplify the new dual hub bus system to transport students **Dexter Community Schools** are building a new bus turnaround behind Wylie -Elementary. This turnaround will alter the prop-

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Chelsea Softball

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erty enough to eliminate the ability to have an appropriate size playing field. As a result. Dexter RFC will be homeless for their 2012 season.

___Dexter RFC is a self-supported club that has worked th cooperation with Dexter Community Ed for several years now. Since they are a separate entity they often struggle to find facility use over the many other sports within the community.

Dexter RFC has not only had success locally but has

players achieve success at the college level. Aside from the many players they have had continue on to play in college, this year they saw Adam Umstead ranked a Division II All American at Michigan State University. Also this year Dexter High School senior Sequoyah Burke -- Combs has been offered a rugby scholarship to Davenport University. Looking to the future the club is in a proactive hunt for a new home. According to head coaches Paul Burke and Doug Karaska the easiest route would be to share field usage with another existing sport.

paid it forward by seeing its

With the already oversaturated use of community sports fields the more realistic option is to build a new field. With the unexpected. announcement of the bus turnaround the club is ill prepared to handle this expense. Dexter RFC is looking to the community for support to help continue the success of such a strong club.

For more information, contact Doug Karaska at 810-__**599-8165**. ,

Bundas honored

Recent Saline graduate Stephanie Bundas was named to the All-State Water Polo Team, the All-Region East First Team and a finalist for the Woody Merchant Award for Saline female athletes.

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40 lengths, so they set their pledges based on that. When I actually swam 118 lengths they couldn't believe it and were really proud of me," Brodbeck said. "Doing this for the Red Cross really makes me feel good that I can help others. I look forward to it every year."

On June 23, BHCC was eager to show their support and raised over \$5,700 for the Red Cross.

Coaches Connor Christie and Keith Coghlan noticed that the kids enjoyed the break from their normal swim routine, and was impressed with their ability and drive to push past their goals.

"There was a lot of energy today and it was fun to watch as they set goals for their number of lengths," Coghlan said. "As their approached" their goal they realized they had more potential and ability, and adjusted their goals to be higher."

Daniel Weiser (10) was the top contributor at BHCC, raising a total of \$2,686. His mother, Eileen Weiser watched along the sidelines. proud that her son was participating in an event that. was making such a meaningful impact in his community.

Daniel Weiser has been out of the water for the past two years, but was eager to dive in and support the Red Cross. "I had a lot of fun, and raising money for the Red Cross made me feel terrific," Daniel Weiser said, "I know from reading the paper and watching the news that they help people locally and all over the world when they're in trouble."

Coaches Christie and Coghlan understand the importance of raising money for the Red Cross and their critical, life-saving programs. "If a family in the area has their house 'burnt down, it could take thousands of dollars to keep them going to get back on their feet," Christie said. "It feels good to know that something we do everyday can help make a difference."

Ôn June 24, SST swam a total of 29 miles, and raised over \$850. Top pledge collec-tor Sophia Dulfouco raised \$150, and top length partici-pant Lillie Phelps swam a total of 310 lengths. Divers contributed their time and energy as well. Alex Calder raised \$72 and completed 36 dives for the Red Cross. Olympian swimmer

and 2000 bronze medalist Chris Thompson visited all four events this week, and inspired swimmers and athletes around the county to participate for Swim-A-Cross

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Plus.

"This year, I got to meet an Olympic swimmer and wear his bronze medal!" Brodbeck said. "That was really cool!" Hudson was inspired by Thompson as well. "It was awesome meeting someone who has actually been in the Olympics and won a medal." Huston said.

Swim-A-Cross Coordinator Mary Kumbier was pleased to see all the positive energy this past week. Each team dedicated the entire practice to the Swim-A-Cross and is committed to reaching their team's goal.

"This program helps plant seeds of compassion in the athlete's hearts. It empowers them to use their time and talent, and help raise funds for important programs in their community."

Kumbier believes this will create compassionate citizens and will help make their world a better place. Pools hosting events this week include Dexter **Community Aquatics** Club (Wednesday) and Racquet Club of Ann Arbor (Thursday), with Ann Arbor County Club kicking off the first annual Golf-A-Cross (GAC) on Monday.

For a complete calendar or to learn more visit the Web site www.wc-redcross.org, or contact Mary Kumbier at 971-5300 extension 259 or mary. kumbier@wc.redcross.org.



story-and an entirely different perspective if the move was made to fatten the pockets of those employed by the district, but when the need arises for the community to come

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of their abilities and their character comes when the bleachers are empty and the scoreboards are off-while they learn the value of hard work and sacrifice in practice.

The old locker room saying goes "playing sports is a privilege, not a right— a

tion figures and transfer rates due to a participation fee (31 schools reported diminishing participants and just one school reported a fee-based transfer), the

> alternatives are limiting. Recreational leagues offer limited competition and shorter seasons while the costs for personal instruction-for those sports that offer such a thing—can exceed the \$250 fee that a high school athlete would

combat the deficit. The fee increase is likely the least significant change in the big picture, which includes. the cutting of 18 staff positions and reducing text book costs by \$100,000.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

saying that is backed up by the school's Parent's Guide to Saline Athletics. With the fee in place, there is a fiscal responsibility placed on the participant to make the most out of their experience and.

maintain a good standing within the program. While a study conducted by the MHSAA during the 2009-10 school year showed a minimal effect on participa-

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resistance-which was to be expected — the Saline community has accepted the fee as a necessity. As the economic climate continued to worsen, White said the reluctant decision to charge the fee was best for the district's athletic future.

We knew there was going to be issues, White said, "Parents have become accustom to being charged for their kids to play a sport.

"Most parents understand that right now, it is not a good time for the public education system in 🛫 Michigan."

With the increase, Saline J continues to depart from the state median from a year ago, set at \$150. According to the survey, 19 of the 475 schools to charge a fee exceeded the \$250 🛏 mark.

White said the parents of Saline athletes have developed an understanding that their children's education continues beyond the classroom, and that athletics play an integral role in their development.

"What I really like is our community understands. that education doesn't stop at 2:30 in the afternoon, he said. "Our parents are supportive and they want their kids to have that educational experience that athletics provide.'

In Saline's case, the fee encompasses an entire school year, which differs from other districts across the state. White said by covering an entire year, it it may prompt players to try a secondary sport in which they may otherwise bypass. 'We don't want to hinder kids from experimenting,"

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Perhaps the largest elephant in the room is the effect the fee increase has beyond the fields and courts of play. The sacrifices made by the families of the athletes pale in comparison the sacrifices being made by members of the school district whose positions are being eliminated in efforts to trim the budget and

sports, different coaches and the different team dynamic that other sports offer.

'It's all about learning." White said he understands that different families have been affected to different extremes by the downturn in the economy, but the district does its best to accommodate those who need help most. The district offers scholarship opportunities and has a program in place which will help those who cannot afford the fee.

"The economy like it is; everybody's hurting," he said. "You're going to see some families in some districts that don't participate because of that costs, and those students may need athletics more than anyone.

"We need to come up with ways, as educators, not just in Saline, to find away to afford those kids the same opportunities as everyone else."

Of the schools assessing a fee, 14 percent (31 schools) saw a drop in their participation level. Only one school reported a student transfer due to the partici-pation fee.

Recently retired Chelsea High School athletic director Wayne Welton echoed White's sentiment, as Chelsea began charging a \$100 fee a year ago.

"No one likes (the fees)," he said. "Unfortunately, they've become a part of high school athletics.

'It didn't feel good (to impose the fee), and it still doesn't."

Welton said the experiences a high school athlete has during their playing careers is makes it easier for their families to bear the burden. Welton said 72 percent of Chelsea High School students participated in athletics in some

to the aid of the education system and its extracurricular activities, now is the time to answer that call.

In the efforts to maintain what the district has built in the way of athletic success and state-of-the-art facilities, while being able to provide students all that is needed in the classroom, a \$75 bump is quite a bargain.

he said. "The challenge we all have is to keep the school and its extracurricu-

lar programs thriving." While Saline recently increased its fee and Chelsea is relatively new to the pay for participation game, Milan Are Schools do not charge a participation fee for its athletes.

"We're pretty fortunate to have the support we do from our parents, commu-nity and from our district," Milan athletic director David Kaiser. "Fortunately, it's not a financial necessity at this time."

Kaiser said, with the economic climate affecting many school districts across the state, the Big Reds have been lucky. The Milan athletic director credits the Milan Booster Club as a major support of financial support. "Given the current finan-

cial state of the education system, we have been very --fortunate," he said. "I can say without a doubt we couldn't do what we do in terms of equipment and facilities without the boosters.

"I wouldn't say they aren't even a backbonethey are the body."

Kaiser said he is of the opinion that the pay-to-participate fee may affect a team's numbers, as with a fee to participate may evoke the perceived guarantee of . playing time.

"Pay for participation brings an expectation of playing time, creates a sense of entitlement of playing (time)," he said. "And that simply isn't always the case.

While the state of the education system and a struggling economy continue to battle one another and whether a fee is being charged or not, the value of high school athletics appears to be as valuable

The Washtenaw County - American Red Cross relies on volunteers and Interns to support their programs. Pictured is the Core Team of Joseph Sutkowi (left), Meredith Weich, Porscha Pittman and Jessica McDonaid working on the Swim-A-Cross Plus program, a popular fundralser for local athletes.



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DNR Michigan's Inland Waterway walleye survey designed to answer lingering questions

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Low population raises concern from anglers

alleye fishing has always been a popular sport on northern Michigan's Mullet Lake. A 2009 Department of Natural Resources fisheries survey of Mullet Lake raised eyebrows when it produced an estimate of produced an estimate of the walleye population that was low according to historical standards. Both recreational anglers and tribal fish-ermen – who have a right to fish the lake under the Treaty of 1836 – had concerns about - had concerns about the estimate.

The Fisheries-Division's response was twofold. It immediately tightened recreational harvest regulations, by decreasing the creel limit and pushing the opening date of wall-eye back from the last Saturday in April to May 15. And it committed to teaming up with the Little Traverse Band of Odawa Indians to survey the entire inland water. way system in 2011; because the dynamics of walleye movement throughout the system - which includes Burt, Mullet, Crooked and Pickerel lakes as well as the Sturgeon, Maple, Crooked, Cheboygan, Black, Indian and **Pigeon rivers** -- are not well understood. "We saw these changes in Mullet Lake, explained DNR fisheries research biologist Patrick Hanchin. "The walleye population was not what it was when we last surveyed it in 1998. But we had not surveyed the other lakes in the system since 2001, so we couldn't tell if similar

changes occurred in those lakes, too." The system-wide

survey was a Herculean task, said DNR fisheries biologist Tim Cwalinski of Gaylord, who sought help from Fisheries Division staffers all over the state.

the state. "We had three net boats on Burt, two on Mullet and one on Pickerel," Cwalinski explained. "Meanwhile, tribal personnel worked Crooked Lake. And we had two electro-fishing boats running rivers each day and some nights. nights.

"We had boats run-ning all the time."

The survey was com-plicated by a lingering winter and bad weather as fisheries technicians and biologists rushed to complete the work. "The idea was to

mark as many fish as possible up to the peak of spawning," Hanchin explained.

Using trap nets, fyke nets and electro-fishing boats, survey personnel were able to tag 7,323 walleyes. More than half the fish came from Burt Lake and its immediate tributaries (Sturgeon, Maple and Crooked rivers). Only 1,112 were tagged on Mullet Lake and its immediate tributaries (Cheboygan, Black, Indian and Pigeon rivers)

Hanchin said he formed several immediate impressions.



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DNR fisheries personnel used electro-shocking gear to collect walleyes from the rivers in the inland waterway system.

study, biologists will continue to collect data for a number of years.

a year to see where and when fish move. We've only got a small piece of

to come to valid conclusions, it will need the cooperation of the

ter understand other aspects of the system's fishery too. Hanchin said. 'Burt and Mullet are tremendous trout waters," he said. "The number of browns and steelhead we saw was impressive. We don't think a lot of people are taking advantage of that fishery. They are tremendous populations and they reproduce nat-urally in that system." But the main focus of the study remains the walleye population. We still don't know what portion of the population heads out to Lake Huron," Hanchin said. "That's something we're going to try to figure out. "This was a monumental effort to put this together. The planners in our unit had been -nervous about this there are a lot of things that could go wrong - aside from weather, which wasn't pretty. We hauled every boat we could get our hands on from around the state and in one night we elec-tro-fished Burt, Mullet and the Cheboygan River.

i në Burt Lakë population looked real good as we thought it would," he said. "Mullet Lake looked like it did in 2009; there are not a lot of walleyes there. That tells us that the 2009 population estimate was probably on target." Time will tell whether

the data reinforce those perceptions. Because it's a tag-and-recapture

Tag returns will not only provide a basis for making a population estimate, but it will help biologists better under-stand the movement patterns of the walleyes among the various lakes and rivers.

"Tag returns are already rolling in," Hanchin said. "But we've got to look at tag returns for more than



the puzzle so far." Fisheries biologists are beginning to collect some clues about the some clues about the how the fish use some of the waterway. For instance, the DNR sur-veyed the lower Black River in 2009 and fin-clipped walleyes there. Electro-fishing on the Black this spring turned up a lot of walleyes with clipped fins. Meanwhile, creel census surveys on Mullet Lake the last cou-ple of years - which will continue - failed to turn up many fin-clipped_ walleyes. walleyes.

'That makes us think those fish stay there in the Black River," Hanchin said. "We'll go back there next spring and look with electro-fishing gear and see if we catch many of those fish we tagged this vear" year.

In order for the DNR

Anglers who report catch-ing walleyes with metal jaw tags will help biologists track fish movement between lakes and rivers in the inland waterway system.

state's recreational anglers. Hanchin hopes anglers will turn in the tags from any walleyes they catch in the system. (On that note, about half the tags carry a \$10 reward for anglers returning them.)

"That's a big part of the study, getting the tags returned so we can determine movement," Hanchin said.

In addition to the tag-and-recapture study, Michigan State University is looking for larval walleye – to try to better define reproductive success - and conducting some walleye stomach contents analysis as part of a for-age fish study. Anglers can help out there, too, Hanchin said.

"If you catch a walleye, freeze the guts and return them to us with information on the lake, the date, and the depth of where the fish was caught, and bring them to the nearest DNR ser-vice center," Hanchin said:

The surveys have helped biologists bet-







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Ann Arbor prep lacrosse loses varsity status after district cuts

By Mike Larson A2 Journal

Despite being one of the fastest-growing sports in the country, and one of most popular and successful sports in the city, lacrosse in Ann Arbor was dealt a hefty blow over the weekend.

On Saturday, the district elected to cut all freshman sports (except for football) and pull funding from several other sports, including boy's and girl's lacrosse.

The cuts, made mandatory after the state reduced funding by \$15 million this year, will essentially force the Huron, Pioneer and Skyline lacrosse programs to become "club sports."

Club sports are almost identical to varsity sports, with the only real difference being that club sports receive no funding from the school district.

"To be monest, it's disheartening," Skyline boy's lacrosse coach Nick Zoroya said. "We didn't do anything wrong."

The coach said the cuts were especially puzzling because he said his program already received most of its financial support from its players and boosters.

'Our program had one of the betterrun booster clubs," he said. "So we were a pretty self-sufficient team. We paid for all our own equipment. Basically all we asked the district to cover was bussing. We didn't ask for much."

In fact, when filling out his budget request last season, Zoroya kept his order to the bare minimum.¹

"I asked for a couple cases of balls and

some scorebooks," he said. "We didn't want to be a burden. Now I feel like we're getting punished for it."

The coach said surprised by the cuts, considering that lacrosse has pretty big participation numbers, especially within his program.

We have close to 75 kids coming out for lacrosse here," he said. "And it stinks, because (football) gets three teams and we get none."

Pioneer boy's lacrosse coach James Corey also said that participation within his program was climbing.

"We have a lot of guys who want to play," he said. "But the school is facing tough decisions and it's too bad they have to cut things, but everybody is sacrificing.".

Both coaches said that while it's frustrating to lose varsity status, lacrosse will not suffer in Ann Arbør.

"We're actually adding a third team next year," Zoroya said. "We'll just have to foot the bill for it."

The coach said that with more players playing in the program, the actual fee to , play would go down.

"The more players we have, the smaller the cost," he said. "It could end up being cheaper than before.'

In order to help defray the cost of playing lacrosse at Pioneer, Corey has already made the commitment to forfeit his coaching salary

'I'm going to coach for free," he said. "I don't coach for money. I don't know of a high school coach that does. I coach because I love lacrosse and I love coaching."

Ann Arbor athletics suffer budget casualties

By Mike Larson A2 Journal

The budget guillotine has fallen in the Ann Arbor school district and the biggest casualties came from the athletic departments of the local schools.

On Saturday morning it was announced that the district would be ending all of its freshman sports programs, with the exception of football, at all three Ann-Arbor High Schools. million reduction in K-12 funding from the state government.

All in all, the athletic directors from Pioneer, Huron and Skyline were given the task of shaving \$475,000 from their collective budgets.

In a recent email to Ann Arbor school families, district spokeswoman Liz Margolis announced the details of the cuts.

freshmen teams will be

man players competing on junior varsity teams.

The announcement also said that several other programs will lose district funding.

These programs are: men's and women's lacrosse; men's and women's bowling; Pioneer and Huron's second JV field hockey teams; Pioneer and Huron's figure skating teams; Huron's cheerleading squad; Skyline's dance team and the fall crew sea-

Placing blame won't solve budget problems

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nd so it begins.

On Saturday the Ann Arbor school district decided that, due to budget concerns, freshman sports would have to go.

So, with the exception of

football, freshman sports teams

boys' and girls' lacrosse, bowling, fall crew and several others.

These teams will either have to become club teams and fund themselves, or risk being eliminated completely.

This is where it starts in Ann Arbor. Sports have officially been affected by budget cuts.

It's been happening in other districts around the state for years, but now, it's finally com-

ing here.

This is pretty large scale, folks. The district is completely cutting out an entire grade level of sports. And it is taking out some pretty successful. varsity teams as well.

Take the Pioneer girl's lacrosse team for example. A few weeks ago it was playing for a state championship, now, the team isn't even a varsity sport.

This kind of stuff borders on heart-

So who is to blame in all of this? Who is taking sports away from your kids?

Well, who did the cutting?

It's easy to point fingers at the athletic directors or school board members involved.

But is it their fault?

I work with every one of the athletic directors, and I feel like all of them would rather cut off their little toe than see young athletes denied sporting opportunities.

There are members of the community that chastise the city for building a new high school (Skyline), saying it is too lavish and spending should have

Others will point fingers at teachers and their union. They will scream that teachers get paid too much, their benefits are too good and they shouldn't receive a pension.

They will say that if teachers just took more concessions than there would be plenty money left for athletics.



Is it the fault of our recently elected governor? The nerd who slashed public

school funding by \$15 million this year? Maybe the fault does fall squarely on

Rick Snyder and our state legislature. But does it really?

We do live and work in democratic system where our leaders are supposed to listen to what we have to say,

So, unless you took the time to let your leaders know about your wants and concerns, can you really blame them for making decisions?

It is their job, you know.

You see, this is how it works. When money is shy and things start

get axed, there is never a shortage of people to point fingers at.

Blame flows freely in all directions, and sometimes, we are all so busy accusing and accosting that we forget to try to find a solution.

This is just the beginning of the cuts, and unless we come up with a way to . stop the bleeding, high school sports at all levels may soon be a thing of the past.

Placing blame is easy; it takes almost no planning, effort or knowledge. It also solves nothing and tends to create animosity and infighting. In other words, it's useless.

The time for finger pointing is over. Now it's time to come up with a way

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Pittsburgh	82/59/5	87/64/s	89/70/pc
St. Louis	93/74/s	97/77/s	98/76/pc
San Francisco	67/53/pc	70/54/s	73/56/pc
Seattle	63/51/pc	70/51/pc	76/54/5
Wash., DC	86/66/s	90/73/s	98/76/pc
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WORLD CITIES

	Thu: 1	Fri.	Sat
City	HI/Lo/W	HI/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Athens	86/73/s	S1/72/s	90/71/s
Berlin	70/49/r	69/48/sh	66/55/r
Buenos Aires	52/34/pc	48/28/5	50/30/s
Cairo	92/71/s	93/73/s	94/74/s
Calgary	63/44/t	69/48/5	70/30/pc
Hong Kong	86/81/t	88/81/t	90/81/c
Jerusalem	75/55/5	78/57/s	78/59/s
Johannesburg	66/38/s	61/36/s	61/41/5
London	66/46/sh	68/50/pc	72/54/pc
Mexico City	15/57/1	70/54/1	72/55/1
Montreal	75/57/pt	79/61/pc	81/64/c
Moscow	77/60/s	81/62/pc	84/60/pc
Paris	72/51/00	72/52/pc	76/52/s
Rio de Janeiro	86/72/c	84/72/5	(19)243
Rome	82/60/s	84/60/s	77/67/c
Seoul	81/71/1	RELEDIN	78/62/pc
		86/69/sh	87/73/sh
Singapore	86/79/t	85/71/1	87/77/t









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