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Enercon adds Chelsea office

By Sean Dalton
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Enercon Services Incorporated has extended its recent growth to Chelsea with the addition of its 18th office nationwide.

Located on the second floor of the Clocktower building in the heart of the downtown district, the Enercon Power division affiliated office will allow the burgeoning employee-owned organization reach into the Michigan market, as well as markets in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

In roughly eight weeks, the Chelsea location has grown to nine employees and could reach 20 in the near future, according to Office Manager Larry Fletcher, who moved back to Chelsea from Florida after leaving the area in the 1960s.

He previously worked with Thom Beckett, co-founder of Beckett Laforue, which operated in Jackson before being purchased by Enercon and integrated into its Power division.

Despite what some may initially think, Enercon did not move to Chelsea to serve the city's electric utility operation, although Fletcher spoke highly of his home city's power infrastructure and said that he wouldn't be averse to serving the city as a client if the need ever arose.

"Right now, our main local client is Consumers Energy in Jackson - we have a couple of people in that office (working as consultants for the company)," Fletcher said, adding that his office is currently working to "build inroads" with Novi-based ITC Holdings.

ITC Holdings builds and operates electric transmission systems across Michigan's Lower Peninsula and portions of Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas.

Division Manager Thom Beckett, who headed up the sale of his company to Enercon two years ago, put the potential for the Chelsea office in terms of job growth into perspective by talking about the company's overall growth.

"Our original company worked only with power plants and on environmental services," Beckett said. "Enercon wanted to expand into that area and made us their division for it when they finalized the purchase."

"Since then our business has grown by about 50 percent, and over the last four years alone, Enercon has gone from 400 employees to over 1,100."

That growth is impressive
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Photo by Burrill Strong

"Pistol" Pete Midtgard of the Twistin' Tarantulas plays his upright bass with Randy Gackl on drums. The group performed July 30 under the social tent at the festival.

Sounds & Sights

Annual event packs in the crowd

By Erica McClain
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With an illuminated billboard on Interstate 94, the addition of an art market and a cornucopia of musical talent, it is without a doubt that the Sounds & Sights Festival has grown considerably in the past few years.

This year was no exception.
"It's been a great turn-

out," said Craig Common, co-organizer of Sounds & Sights.

Common said the festival, formerly known as Summerfest, has been reworked each year to try to improve and build up on the last.

Last year, the committee added the social tent, which Common said was wildly popular. In prior

years, the social tent was smaller and known mostly for frosty cups of beer, but now the tent is a happening focal point for socializing and a venue for some of the hottest musical performances of the festival.

The tent, which was located behind the Common Grill, is still a newer piece to the festival that Common says people are "still trying to figure out," but it's been rather popular all the same.

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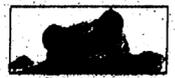
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Group disappointed by playground loss

By Crystal Hayduk
Special Writer

Karla Demea and her 4-year-old twin daughters, Sofia and Natalia, love Pierce Park with its grassy expanse for running and its mature trees for shade on hot days. But the girls' favorite things at the park are the slide and the merry-go-round. Or at least they were - before the two structures were removed in June with no warning or explanation.

"The monkey bars were taken out by a storm last year, and the latest thing to go was the baby swing," Demea said of the park located on Main Street just north of Old U.S. 12. "We live near the park and go there all the time. Even in winter we went at least once a week, so I'm very frustrated about this."

Demea reported that in her quest to find out what had happened to the equipment, she was told by city officials that the play structures were removed following complaints about safety from the Friends of Timber Town.

When asked for specific information about the removal of the equipment and if there are any plans for the park, John Hanifan, Chelsea's city manager, released a written statement to Heritage Media that said, "They were removed because they were not up to safety code, and it was cost prohibitive to make them safe to use."

Friends of Timber Town representative Amy Mitchell said that she had become increasingly concerned about the advancing age and potential safety problems of Pierce Park's equipment.



Photo by Burrill Strong

South Elementary teacher Luman Strong pushes some of his third-grade students on the merry-go-round at Pierce Park during a field trip in June.

She was told by the City of Chelsea that no funds were available to repair or replace the existing structures.

Mitchell drafted a grant proposal to the Community Foundation of Chelsea, which was denied.

"Through the grant writing process, two different playground inspectors checked things

out and both concurred that the merry-go-round and the slide were noncompliant, out of code and deemed unsafe, so the city removed them promptly," Mitchell said.

Mitchell explained the safety report from the playground equipment experts.

"The merry-go-round did not have a governor, which monitors the speed, and that could lead to a decapitation risk. The absence of guard rails and surfacing around the slide could lead to a falls risk."

Public playground safety standards are published by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and are available on the Web at www.cpsc.gov/CPSC/PUB/PUBS/325.pdf.

Mitchell said that she hopes the remaining structure and the bank of swings will be repaired this fall with grant dollars. A community volunteer is drafting a new proposal to pursue funding for the next grant cycle this fall.

Some interested parents have wondered about the possibility of obtaining funds from the Chelsea-Area Wellness Foundation. The foundation's Executive Director Amy Heydlauff said that the wellness coalition develops a comprehensive plan for the community and seeks funding for the plan. Anyone can contact the foundation to gain access to coalition leadership to express concerns, and the best way to do that is through Matt Pegouskie at 734-433-4599.

Although Carolyn Holland, mother to 5-year-old Marcos, understands that the equipment

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Online learning increasingly replaces traditional summer school

By Donna Iadipaolo
Special Writer

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"No more pencils, no more books, no more teachers' dirty looks," is a popular rhyme students might chant upon release from

school in June. But for many, school continues in the summer. Summer school is a way for students to make up credits or free up their schedules for the regular school year.

Ann Arbor enjoys many options

This summer, 721 students in Ann Arbor are enrolled in the summer school session compared to the 604 students who participated in summer school programs last year, says Summer School Principal Marcus Edmondson. "The (summer school) trend seems to be increasing due to the new graduation requirements from the state," said Edmondson, who is the 10th and 12th grade principal at Huron High School during the school year.

Summer school for high school and middle school students in Ann Arbor runs June 29 through Aug. 2. "The majority of students have failed a class and are trying to make up the credit, so that they will be on track once they return in the fall," Edmondson said. "Approximately 5 percent are taking the class for the first time, so they can take other classes in the fall. A few take summer school for a tutorial preparation for the upcoming school year."

Edmondson said the summer school budget last year was about \$200,000, which includes high school and middle school programs. "We try to have summer school be self-sustaining," he said. "In the previous year, the budget has been smaller because we have had less students. We have 100 more students this year, so the budget would be higher."

Many students in Ann Arbor enjoy online options, as well, during the summer.

Ann Arbor Online Coordinator Susette Jaquette said there are currently 215 students enrolled in summer online classes in Ann Arbor.

The district offers algebra, geometry, math analysis, financial math, English 9 and 10, U.S. history, world history, government, economics, computer applications, and web page design.

"We offer two blended online classes, which have required face-to-face meetings, health and fitness," Jaquette said.

Students take online courses in the summer for the same reasons they enroll in traditional summer school. For instance, Jaquette reported that there are 104 students currently enrolled in a math class.

"Of the students taking math, 41 students are trying to advance a level in math by completing both semesters of the class. The other students taking math have either failed or received

a very low grade," she said. "The Flex Advanced Online Math program was developed by AAPS teachers. It uses SMART (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) software to individualize instruction for each student."

The impetus for the Ann Arbor school district's online program came in 2002, when several students asked Jaquette if they could take an online class in the summer. Dean Judy Conger and Jaquette discussed the option and then gave it a try then. That first year there were 18 online students.

Currently, the district's online program is self-sufficient and doesn't cost the district extra money, Jaquette said.

Dexter's summer school primarily online

In Dexter, online courses are the primary means for students to continue their learning in the summer.

"We have some online and correspondence course options available for students," said Dexter Schools Superintendent Mary Marshall. "The only other summer school opportunities we have are some extended school-year opportunities for special education students whose IEP (Individualized Education Program) teams have determined that the learning loss that would take place over the summer would require too many weeks to regain the instructional level." A student was at when the prior school year concluded.

Dexter High School Principal William Moran added that students may enroll in courses via Michigan Virtual High School, Aventa, and Education2020. Moran said that Education2020 is for credit recovery only and doesn't have an instructor at the other end like MVHS and Aventa.

"We offer access to virtual courses," Moran said. "There is not a brick-and-mortar school, so to speak. Numbers have been around 20-25 (students in the online program)."

Moran added that about half of the students take the virtual classes for "acceleration" and half for "credit recovery."

Saline uses JumpStart, online learning

The Saline school district concentrates on readying students for high school and middle school.

"We do not really offer a credit recovery type of traditional summer school," said Steve Laatsch, assistant superintendent of Instructional Services

for Saline schools. "Our approach is JumpStart, and the primary purpose is to take students that are in middle and high school and help them feel more prepared to succeed the following year in school. It is not, for example, to take a student who got a failing grade in math class and help them 'recover' that grade."

Laatsch said Saline students at the high school level who need to recover grades do so the following year or take an online version of the course through a provider such as Education2020 or Michigan Virtual High School.

Saline Middle School Principal David Raft said Saline runs one JumpStart session at the high school for incoming ninth-graders and one at the middle school for incoming seventh- and eighth-graders. This is the fourth year for JumpStart in Saline. Raft said the numbers have gone down each year.

"This summer, we have had the lowest number of students attending JumpStart in the four-year

history," he said. "We have had as high as 36 students in each grade level, and this year we are around 15 to 18 in a grade level."

Summer school in Saline runs July 18 through Aug. 5, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Students who receive a minimum of two "Ds" or an "E" in any core class (language arts, math, science, and social studies) must enroll in the summer JumpStart program.

"JumpStart is a required program that is designed to help students prepare for the next school year," Raft said. "The goal of the program is to provide the necessary tools that students need to be successful in a school setting. Failure to attend or successfully complete the JumpStart program may result in reduced elective choices, or a mandatory study skill class in place of an elective."

More online options increasing

Manchester school district doesn't hold the tradi-

tional face-to-face summer school sessions.

"Manchester High School and Manchester Middle School utilizes the online Education2020 program for students in need of summer school," said Kevin Mowrer, principal at Manchester High School. "These classes are completed at the local library or at the students' homes."

At-risk students in Washtenaw County may also enroll the online, project-based learning Widening Advancements for Youth Program, which runs all year long. This year, 200 students participated in the WAY Program and they expect to double their numbers in the fall.

Students in the WAY Program also have access to face-to-face help in a lab, which moved this summer from Ann Arbor Stone School to Willow Run.

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and indicative of a recent trend when considering the fact that Enercon was founded in 1983.

"Once we got on with Enercon, opportunities for growth have become realities," Beckett said. "Now, we're honing in on Chelsea because it's very close to Jackson and Ann Arbor, and there's quick access to Detroit Metro Airport."

Beckett said he could

keep the Chelsea office busy with work from Georgia and Florida clients, but he wants to focus on the region to expand the number of clients served by Enercon.

Fletcher said he's already seeing requests for proposals hit his desk from private and public agencies local, state and federal.

Over the next six to 12 months Fletcher predicts more investment in the national power grid being enough of a priority to enter the public discourse, particularly considering

brownouts experienced nationwide during this summer's heat wave.

"I noticed a few areas here lost power this past Friday," Fletcher pointed out. "Nationally, the power grid's been neglected for a while. I think there's going to be expansion there and money will have to be spent to build the grid up to a level of reliability some time soon."

He hopes that the company's presence in Chelsea will optimally poise it to win as many of those contracts for the necessary

work ahead to sustain the explosive growth that the company has seen over the past few years.

Enercon will offer a full range of transmission line and substation design services supplying the region's transmission network.

The company's power delivery services provide comprehensive transmission, substation and distribution engineering services to private and publicly owned electrical utilities, federal and state agencies, local municipalities, construction contractors

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The tent included several well-known regional bands including the Ben Daniels Band and the Twistin' Tarantulas. Most of the performances took place after 5 p.m. when the tent included a \$5 cover and was restricted to people 21 and up for alcohol sales.

Local business owner and Chelsea First launch volunteer Pat Cleary also noted that the event was a success from his perspective.

"Our kickoff for Chelsea First was a success," Cleary said, adding that he and others gave away 200 gift bags and 300 Chelsea First T-shirts.

"The Chelsea First committee was responsible for the billboard on 94, as well as one on 23 which were intended to draw even greater crowds to Chelsea this year."

"This was a first step toward not just attracting visitors to Chelsea, but people to live and open a busi-

ness here," Cleary added.

Stephanie McIntyre, the project manager for the art market, said the art market, which featured 20 juried artists down South Street, and its accompanying artists' demonstrations around the downtown has received quite a bit of notice.

"It's been a great first year, and we're really pleased with the quality of the outlets we had," McIntyre said.

McIntyre said it was especially exciting to see the community support local artists. While the Sounds & Sights Festival committee will ultimately make the decision whether to continue the art market next year, McIntyre said she hopes to continue to grow upon this year's success.

John Rayer, a blacksmith who owns Waterloo Metalworks, was among the many artists demonstrating their work. He said he was glad he could be a part of the festival by showing the art of blacksmithing.

At his tent, he had a

miniature forge to heat his steel, along with several tools of the trade - two large tree stumps, an anvil and a hammer for pounding.

"Kids really seem to enjoy it," Rayer said. "They wander over to see the fire and the smoke and what it's all about."

Rayer said despite the sometimes-light foot traffic, he definitely plans on being a part of the festival next year.

As for the future of the Sounds & Sights Festival, Common said, considering the heavy foot and vehicle traffic, it would be nice to be close Middle Street down for the festival, but "we're just not there yet, and it would take a lot considering M-52."

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Removal was done with the best of intentions, she is also disappointed that equipment that allowed children to extend their skills with experiences not available elsewhere is gone.

"Sure, it's true that using the equipment required parental supervision, but I was happy to provide that," she said.

Parent Cathie Timberlake agreed.

"What disappoints me is that rather than allowing the parents to decide what they are willing to supervise and allow for their kids, the city just removes them so nobody can use them," she said. "The existing equipment is really only challenging for the first grade and under age group - there's nothing for the older kids now, which makes it hard when you have a wide age range."

Demea pointed out that the ability to engage in controlled risky behavior on the playground under parental supervision helps children to learn how to use their bodies and overcome fears, citing a July 18 New York Times article "Are Playgrounds Getting Too Safe?"

"On several occasions we have heard people visiting the park from out of town comment on how wonderful it is that there is a merry-go-round," Demea said. "It made me proud to hear praises of our

little Chelsea from people visiting from all across the country."

Meanwhile, Holland hopes that the park will be refurbished, the trees maintained and that interested community members will be able to participate in the planning process.

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Group will play at West Park band shell starting Aug. 11.

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

The Penny Seats, an Ann Arbor-based repertory theater company that got under way last year, will perform its first play Friday through Sunday, and Aug. 11 through 14, at the West Park band shell in Ann Arbor.

The show, "Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning, Juliet)," by Canadian playwright Ann-Marie MacDonald, is a comedic homage to Shakespeare that catapults its modern-day heroine — graduate student Constance Ledbelly — into the plots of two famous Shakespearean tragedies, "Romeo & Juliet" and "Othello."

The fast-paced show has a small cast, with every actor, except Lauren London as Ledbelly, doing double, triple, and sometimes quadruple-duty, as different characters.

Cast members will have their hands full, said the show's director, Jacqui Robbins, who holds a degree in stage direction from Yale University. "But they're up to it, and it's going to be so much fun."

Robbins describes the play as "like a hilarious 'Wizard of Oz,' with Shakespeare and sword-fights and kissing."

Ann Arbor native Melynee Saunders Warren, appearing by special arrangement with Actors' Equity Association, will play Desdemona, Ramona, Mercutio and a Servant.

A third-generation Ann Arborite, Warren attended Slauson Middle School and Community High School, and performed with the Young People's Theater and

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre. After majoring in Theater at Cornell University, she moved to New York City to pursue acting and has spent most of the last 15 years living and performing on the East Coast, with a stint in Cleveland to get a master's degree in acting from Case Western Reserve University.

"I moved back to Ann Arbor two summers ago and I'm just starting to get my bearings in the local theater community again, so it has been incredible to find my way into a role with such a welcoming, enthusiastic, and down-to-earth company as Penny Seats," said Warren, who also sings with the Ann Arbor Civic Chorus.

Ann Arbor actor Russ Schwartz, who will play Iago and the Ghost, is a graduate of Hampshire College and Performance Network Theatre's apprenticeship program. He recently appeared in the Performance Network Jewish Ensemble Theatre co-production of "Sonia Flew" and the Jewish Ensemble Theatre's "The Diary of Anne Frank." A playwright as well as an actor, his own plays include "Thorstein the Staff-Struck," "The Rat Dance" and "Subroutine."

Sarah Leahy, who plays Juliet, Student and Cypriot Soldier, has been seen regionally at Performance Network and the Michigan Shakespeare Festival. She spent the spring touring high schools throughout Michigan playing Juliet in "Romeo and Juliet" with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival educational tour.

Leahy found out about the audition through an online audition posting.



The new Ann Arbor-based repertory theater company, The Penny Seats, will perform "Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning, Juliet)," Friday through Sunday and Aug. 11 through 14 at the West Park band shell. Pictured in rehearsals are Sarah Leahy (left), Lauren London, Jacqui Robbins, Russ Schwartz and Matt Cameron.

"Since being cast, I've discovered how unbelievably supportive, talented, and fun this group is," she said.

Leahy, a student at Eastern Michigan University, majoring in theater and minoring in history, is entering her fifth and final year in the fall, with plans to move to New York after graduation.

At EMU, she is involved in the main stage theater program, and was seen as "Little Red Riding Hood" in "Into the Woods," Yelena in "The Prince, the Wolf and the Firebird," and as one of the Geminae twins in "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

She recently finished work at the Performance Network, where she played Lauren in "Circle Mirror Transformation" and spent four months touring high

schools all over Michigan with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival's "ShortShakes" production of "Romeo and Juliet," where she played Juliet. It was her second consecutive season with the troupe. Last summer, she was a company member of the Michigan Shakespeare Festival, playing Luce in "Comedy of Errors" and Lady Montague in "Romeo and Juliet."

Saline resident Roy Sexton plays professor Claude Night, Othello, Tybalt and Juliet's Nurse. Sexton, who holds a master's degree in theater from Ohio State University and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Michigan, has had leading roles in numerous plays and musicals across Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. He has performed

the national anthem for the Detroit Tigers, and was a finalist on Channel 7 WXYZ's "Cruisin' Idol" competition during the Woodward Dream Cruise.

Pioneer High School graduate Matt Cameron, who will play Romeo and the chorus, is a graduate of Kalamazoo College and Wayne State University Law School. He performed professionally with St. Croix Festival Theater in St. Croix, Wis., and, in Michigan, has appeared in "As You Like It," "A Bright Room Called Day," "Hair," "Three Penny Opera," "Miss Julie," "Company," and "The Rover."

Ann Arbor attorney Lauren London, founder and president of the Penny Seats, will play Constance Ledbelly. London has been performing for more than

20 years as an actress and cabaret singer, appearing with companies in Virginia, Maryland, and Wisconsin before coming to Michigan, where she has performed for the last six years.

The troupe's set designer is Ron Kramer, who has worked extensively with Performance Network; and the stage manager is Rachel Pearson, a lifelong resident of Ann Arbor.

"Goodnight, Desdemona (Good Morning, Juliet)" will run 7 p.m. Aug. 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, and 2 p.m. Aug. 6, 7, 13, 14, at the West Park band shell. Tickets are \$10 (age 12 and younger admitted for \$7) online and at the gate. For more information, visit pennyseats.org or call 276-2832.

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WCC building named for departing president

By David Veselenak
A2 Journal

Students at Washtenaw Community College will have to call the Occupational Education Building something else this fall.

The college's board of trustees voted July 26 to rename the building after outgoing WCC President Larry Whitworth, who is leaving his post after serving in it since 1998.

WCC Board Chairwoman Pam Horizny said Whitworth's work with vocational and occupational programs has had a wide influence on students and workers in the area, so it made sense for the building to be named for him.

"It's not just an impact at the college, it's throughout Washtenaw County," she said.

Board Secretary Mark Freeman said the name is an appropriate gesture to someone who worked very hard in the occupational education realm.

"From everyone out there, I think they're going to be excited about this name," he said. "They've gotten to know you quite well."

Whitworth is returning to teaching after serving as president. Rose Bellanca, a vice provost with Northwood University, was named president of WCC last month.

Whitworth said his departure hit him while

looking over the list of retiring and outgoing faculty, which was approved by the board the same night.

"It kind of makes it official, seeing your name here," he said.

Whitworth came to WCC in 1998, after working as president of Tidewater Community College in Virginia. Prior to that, he worked at the Community College of Allegheny County in Pennsylvania as the director of the school's GED program.

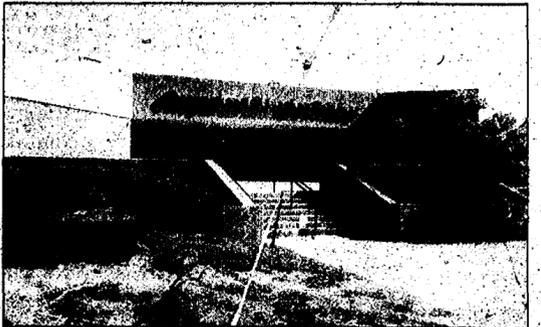
Horizny said Whitworth was recognized at a recent community college conference in Traverse City, where she requested that her staff give her five words each to describe Whitworth for a speech.

She said she received several interesting selections, the most impressive being "Perspicacious," which means to have a keen sense of judgment and understanding.

"I wanted to thank very much the members of the executive staff that gave me material for my speech," she said.

Trustee Richard Landau said because of his hard work and dedication to WCC, Whitworth's name could be put on any building on campus that already has not been named, but the Occupational Education Building just made sense.

"He, himself, was supportive of this particular (program)," Landau said.



The Occupational Education Building at Washtenaw Community College is being renamed after the college's outgoing president, Larry Whitworth.

"It has been a pleasure serving with you, Larry, and I'm so happy I'll be seeing your name constantly on this campus," Landau

said to Whitworth. Staff Writer David Veselenak can be reached at 429-7380 or at dveselenak@heritage.com.

Ottomeyer opens Interim HealthCare franchise

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Ann Arbor resident Don Ottomeyer has taken an entrepreneurial leap and opened the area's first Interim HealthCare franchise.

Ottomeyer, who worked in the corporate world for several years, already had a lot of personal experience in senior care, after experiencing his mother's eight-year battle with Alzheimer's disease.

"Caring for my mother was pivotal in my decision to open this business," he said. "Compassion for individuals who are experiencing personal health or age challenges is what drives me to give back to those needing our services. Our new Interim HealthCare franchise allows

me to help seniors, in particular, lead enriched, safe and independent lives in the comfort of their home.

"In addition, as a proud veteran, I understand the special needs of those who served our country and uniquely know the challenges many of them face. For these reasons, I'm committed to helping them, as well."

Not only does Ottomeyer run this new business, he also devotes time each week as a volunteer hospice worker at Ann Arbor Hospice, and volunteers at the Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce and several local senior organizations.

Ottomeyer, who has called the Ann Arbor area home for the past three years, previously spent two years in Detroit and four years in



Ann Arbor resident Don Ottomeyer has opened the area's first Interim HealthCare franchise.

Kalamazoo.

"I've most definitely acquired a love for our Great Lakes State," he said. "And what's not to like about Ann Arbor? I love the student

energy that comes from all the local universities and colleges. The area is culturally enriched and filled with world-class restaurants and entertainment venues avail-

able any time of the year. "And, most important, I love the community of people I meet daily in Washtenaw County who have welcomed me and my new in-home healthcare business."

"I'm thrilled and grateful to be part of the community and able to make a difference in the lives of senior residents and their families."

While Ottomeyer's business is locally owned, and operated, it's part of a nationwide network that has been around for more than 45 years and has some 300 franchises nationwide. The business provides traditional services such as transportation, meal preparation, grooming, bathing and light housekeeping, as well as HomeLife Enrichment activ-

ities that focus on the mind, body, spirit and family.

"We are delighted to welcome Don Ottomeyer into the Interim HealthCare family," said Kathleen Gilmartin, chief executive officer of Interim HealthCare. "The growing elderly population and expanded home care market is becoming a great niche for those interested in franchising, helping us to expand our reach and help those in need."

The Ann Arbor Interim HealthCare office is located at 2010 Hogback Road, Suite 2-A. For information, call 468-3746 or visit Interimhealthcare.com/washtenaw.

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An inside look at the life of a Blue Angel

By Austen Smith
Heritage Media

This past Thunder Over Michigan Air Show featured a number of historic and modern aircraft displays, drawing in thousands of aviation buffs from across the country.

But the main attraction for the event, held July 23 and 24 at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti Township, was the U.S. Navy's famed Blue Angels flight demonstration squad and its array of death-defying barrel rolls, wide loops and tight formation flying.

For Lt. Christian Simonsen, 35, performing with the Blue Angels is the culmination of a dream that took root shortly after he graduated the Naval Academy in 2002. Originally from Coon Rapids, Minn., Simonsen served as a nuclear machinist's mate for the first two years of his career with the Navy, but that all changed when he applied to flight school and completed the program in 2005.

After stationed in Japan and then serving as an F-18 flight instructor for six months in the United States, Simonsen finally got his wish and was selected to be a Blue Angel.

"It has simply been the best job in the world," Simonsen says.

Beyond the seemingly death-defying stunts performed by the Blue Angels, Simonsen says the group performs a lot of outreach work in the community, talking with high-school students who are searching for that next step. He says the flying is definitely the best he has done in his career, but the most rewarding part of the job is talking with kids about their future.

"It's a way for us to give back to the Navy because what we want to do is inspire young kids to look at the Navy and Marine Corps as a spot for future employment," Simonsen said. "We need folks to replace us, so we want to get kids excited about the opportunities that are out there with the military. That's our No. 1 goal."

A typical commitment for any Blue Angels pilot is between two and three years. But even getting considered for the team is not an easy task, and then following through also presents challenges.

"Any F-18 pilot can do what we do, but it's a matter of wanting to do it, too," Simonsen said. "Because it puts a pretty big commitment on your personal life and family because you are gone so much. Typically, guys will come from their fleet squadron and we were gone a lot then. A lot of people don't want to make that sacrifice."

Selecting a talented pilot is, of course, the first step in continually reloading the Blue Angels roster, but Simonsen says it's equally important to pick somebody



Lt. Christian Simonsen of the famed U.S. Navy's Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Squad took part in the July 23 and 24 Thunder Over Michigan Air Show at Willow Run Airport.

who fits in with the team and who is determined through a "rush" process similar to applying for fraternity or sorority.

"You go to three or four shows and from those shows, the rest of the team will get to know you and see how you act socially with everybody," Simonsen says. "Then we will bring about seven pilots down for finals week and we select two to three new pilots each year for next year's team."

"It's a great process because we get to pick who replaces us or who joins us. We are together 300 days out of the year, so if somebody gets thrown in there and they don't get along very well, it's going to make for a very long year."

While the stunts performed by the Blue Angels seem to be the very pinnacle of acrobatic flying maneuvers, Simonsen says any F-18 pilot can do what they do. But the Blue Angels pilots take those fundamentals a step further.

"What we do is that we take what we've learned as a young pilot and we refine it. We fly closer, we fly tighter and we'll max-perform the aircraft so that we can show to the crowd what their military is capable of," Simonsen says. "There is really nothing that we do here that is overly cosmic, but we do it so much that it helps because we fly the same jet every day. We know exactly what the jet is going

to do."

Despite Simonsen's humble sensibility, the Blue Angels has crafted a reputation for performing incredible flying stunts that widen the eyes of the crowds and incite the collective "oohs," and "ahhs."

For the last Thunder Over Michigan in which Simonsen attended, he acted as the team's ground announcer and didn't participate in the flying. He said he was very excited for this time around, when he would be able to get up in the air with his teammates.

Starting out in the U.S. Navy as a machinist's mate, becoming an F-18 pilot — let alone a Blue Angel — was a distant dream for Simonsen, but he says after he graduated from flight school in 2005, being a part of the world-renowned team was his top goal.

"I have my eyes on this goal from when I first started flying planes," Simonsen says. "I never thought I would have an opportunity to do this. I had no idea I could even be a pilot. To me, it's a huge honor. You have to put in your time and do your fleet tour. You have to have that reputation and things like that ... because we are picking guys that are of good character, because we represent 540,000 sailors and Marines out there week in and week out. You have to have that right person."

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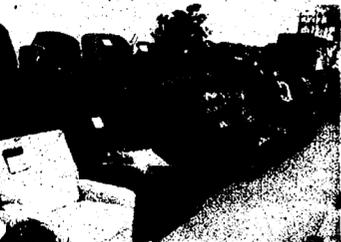
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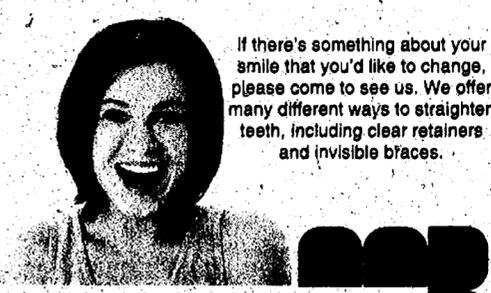
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OUR TAKE: Editorial

McCotter not a good candidate for president

The thought of Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, being president is a bit scary. In fact, the idea of him being selected to run as the GOP candidate isn't a pleasant thought. However, McCotter has announced his intentions to run for president of the United States. He is the 10th GOP candidate to declare his candidacy.

It's not that we don't concede to his longevity as a representative, although his re-election bids most certainly have been aided by hometown name recognition and the fact he is in a predominantly Republican district parts of which are in Oakland County. McCotter has served in Congress since 2002, having jumped to the federal government after serving four years as a Michigan senator.

But McCotter has some growing to do to fulfill his duties and role as a member of Congress. He certainly isn't ready to take the reins of leading the nation.

The representative comes off as cold, arrogant and egotistical. These are not qualities we'd like to see in a president. In fact, he wouldn't get too far in private industry as a company chief executive officer.

Sincerity is important and we do concede that has been loyal to the party. His conservative views are consistent with the basic tenets of the Republican Party.

We'll also give him credit for voting for the federal loans to the auto companies. He obviously realized the need to keep the companies somewhat solvent and operating in Michigan.

But we don't think he has been a good representative of the people. He doesn't respond well to calls from constituents or even the media. It's important for any representative to keep the lines of communication open, from the standpoint of transparency alone. However, communication also is important in keeping the public informed.

From time to time, he does send out news releases, but his office could do a better job of informing the public and not just praising his actions, although we realize that's part of being in politics.

McCotter's stands are classic conservative. But they often appear to be mostly rhetoric and not much substance.

For example, he has said in announcing his candidacy for president: "Through your hard work and through your principled determination to bequeath to your children a better America, we will restructure the government... The United States will remain a beacon of liberty... Our security is from strength, not appeasement or surrender. Our prosperity is from the private sector, not the public sector... While it is a hard road ahead, we will have better days and we will start now... What we need in Washington is someone who knows the future is not big government... It is self-government."

A catchy phrase can earn you a public relations boost, but McCotter faces stiff competition within his own party. And if he did make it to the White House, the road would be anything but easy.

We're not sure if McCotter is a serious candidate or just wants to get his name out there for future political advancement.

It's generally conceded he faces a number of basic problems, including national name recognition, finances and support.

We like to support native sons, but this is one sibling we think should just stay home here in Michigan and work on his people skills.

—Courtesy of The Oakland Press

Purchase a Recreation Passport, enjoy our many state-owned parks

With Michigan's beautiful summer season now in high gear, I'd like to remind local residents about a great new way to enjoy our state parks and campgrounds. Recreation Passports have replaced the window sticker system, and allow annual access to all of Michigan's 98 state parks and recreational areas, as well as with our 1,000 boat launches.

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Motorists who decide to buy a passport at their local Secretary of State's office have a "P" printed on their license tab, giving them easy

access to our state's vast park system.

Before the passport, Michigan residents had to buy a motor vehicle permit for park or boat launch entry, which was \$6 day or \$24 annually. Now motorists can pay just \$10 (\$5 for motorcycles) for the passport. People still must pay camping fees at state parks and forests.

According to the state Department of Natural Resources, the change was made because the old state park funding method didn't meet operational and maintenance needs. State parks and recreation areas

lost taxpayer support in 2004. Since then, parks have been funded by user fees.

The state of Michigan was nearly \$5 million short of funding day-to-day park operations and could only pay for less than 1 percent of necessary repairs, the DNR said. Without this change, major cuts to park programs and services would have been made. The Recreation Passport program provides an affordable method for residents to help continue state park, boating, forest and local recreation services.

And it certainly seems to be working for Michigan residents. Last month, the state announced that in just eight months, more than 1 million Recreation Passports had been purchased. This has generated about \$10 million to help preserve and protect our parks, trails and historic and cultural sites.

We must continue to find ways to bolster our state

parks and bring more people into our state for recreation. Michigan's tourism industry can play a huge role in our state's overall economic recovery. Many tourism-based jobs are good-paying, career-oriented positions that can never be outsourced.

The state Legislature decided back in February to increase funding for the popular "Pure Michigan" campaign.

This was a great decision. The legislation, which I voted for, allowed state funding for the campaign to total \$20 million from the 21st Century Jobs Fund for this year, bringing the total for 2011 to \$25 million.

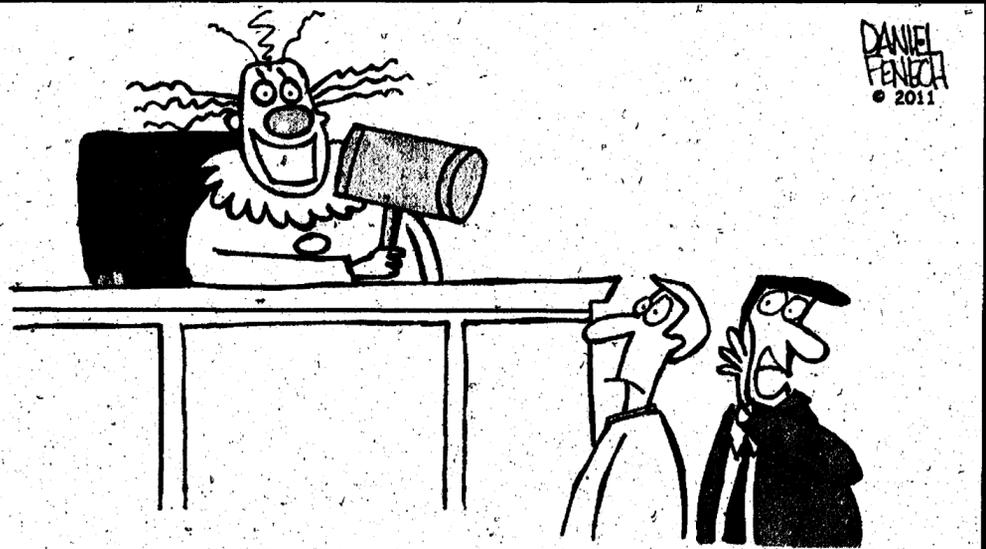
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"THIS JUDGE IS KNOWN FOR HIS FAIRNESS AND SENSE OF HUMOR."

Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Parents should supervise kids' video game purchases

The July 21 editorial, which derided the Supreme Court's ruling in *Brown v. Entertainment Merchants Association*, swapped constitutional awareness for an impassioned tirade on social policy, utterly bereft of any understanding of the court's tradition of jurisprudence or the relationship in American government between policy and law.

In *Brown*, the court struck down a California law that prohibited minors from buying or renting violent video games. The authors of the editorial were outraged, proclaiming "Protecting our children is the paramount obligation of parents in our society. It's in any culture."

I certainly sympathize with the sentiment. As a child, the few times I saw *Diablo* played were more than a bit disturbing.

However, it is risky to plunge into a denunciation of the court only because one disagrees with how its rulings will affect social policy. The editors make the same mistake that many Americans do: they do not seem bothered by

the prospect of nine judges deciding social policy for the entire nation, essentially "legislating from the bench."

They expect the court to consider cases not according to Constitutional law, but in terms of policy preferences, making such claims as, "The seven justices who voted to overturn the ban have let down all parents who are trying to instill some moral values and ethics in their children."

Such a view displaces the ethical judgments from the American people onto a body whose members serve for life and cannot be held accountable to the electorate.

The editors might consider the proper legal breadth of free speech to support their intuitive claim.

As a question of jurisprudence, there are legitimate concerns about whether video games should be protected under the umbrella of the First Amendment. As a friend put it, though they are often the subject, video games are not generally conduits of public discussion.

Moreover, the Ginsberg vs. *New York* precedent (cited by Justice Scalia) that allows states to regulate "obscene" material does not seem substantively

different from California's attempt to regulate "violent material."

The difference seems to me to be more of a technicality, and the two criteria share the same spirit.

Since the law traditionally does not treat children as vested with the same autonomy as adult citizens, it seems to me that in this instance the federal government does not have the authority to trump the laws of individual states.

As a final practical note, I do not believe the effects will be quite so dire as the newspaper suggests.

Let's look at the probable consequences of the court's decision. Most of us read the case and imagine a bug-eyed 6-year-old relishing in virtual gory getaways.

Wait. How will he acquire the game?

Six-year-olds aren't driving alone to Best Buy. If they are, then I'm not sure if violent video games are the most imminent threat to the public good.

Presumably, too, small children do not possess credit cards to purchase the games online. The law would most likely affect the 16- to 17-year-old crowd, who drive and who probably have friends that are 18. You see where this is going.

Apart from this whole

debate, the state as of yet still lodges in parents the responsibility for raising their own progeny.

We can always order Junot to read "The Inferno," apropos of Justice Scalia's own perspicacious suggestion, rather than indulge in the latest version of "Grand Theft Auto."

Marion Gabl
Saline

Voters have every right to recall representatives

Rick Studley, the head of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, has it all wrong.

Recalls of state representatives are not (just) for crooks that break the law. (See Tim Skubick guest column of July 21.)

Representatives, as the word suggests, are supposed to represent their constituents. Hence their voting record should reflect the views of their constituents on these issues.

If they do not, their constituents have the right and obligation to remove them and replace them with another who votes their beliefs and concerns.

It is that simple.
Demetrios Politis
Ann Arbor

Bystanders can help stop violence against women

Within the last two weeks, our community has been jolted by a series of sexual assaults on young women.

As part of an organization that has worked for nearly 40 years to educate the public and protect the survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, we at SafeHouse Center are deeply concerned that the suspect — or suspects — is still at large.

We applaud the efforts of local law enforcement officials, and fully expect that the perpetrator(s) will soon be apprehended. But now, in the interim, we feel compelled to speak out.

At present, most officials, media outlets and online commentators are responding to the crisis by focusing on what women can do to keep themselves safe.

Based on our long experience, we believe prevention efforts must shift from victim self-defense to bystander intervention.

It is crucial for every member of the community to be aware that there are things we can all do in the moment to stop sexual assaults.

What steps can you take as a bystander witnessing

any dangerous situation? First, keep yourself safe. If you see an assault occurring, call 911.

Call the police (1-800-SPEAKUP). If you have witnessed an attack — even if you believe you were only one among many to have observed or heard the assault — you have a responsibility to report the incident and offer support to the survivor.

If a friend appears to be in a potentially dangerous situation — whatever the setting — ask if she wants to leave, and then make sure that person arrives home safely.

Call the SafeHouse Center 24-hour HelpLine at 995-5444 for support and options.

All of these actions will help end violence against women by building a community of safety and care.

As it has since 1975, SafeHouse Center stands ready to help survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence, as well as their friends and family members.

For details about our services and information on how you can support our efforts, visit www.safehousecenter.org.

Barbara Niess May
Executive Director
SafeHouse Center
Ann Arbor

Staff reporter now calls Dexter his home

It's been a long time since downriver News-Herald Managing Editor Karl Ziomek called me into his office in March 2007 - just a year after my hire date.

I had just written a string of stories on Chrysler's ambitions for a new engine plant in Trenton that put my name on the News-Herald front page for all three of our issues that week.

Maybe he was going to give me a pat on the back, was my first thought.

That was also my last thought before walking into his office and sitting down next to Terry Jacoby, whom I had only known up to that point as the very quiet editor of the Ile Camera - a weekly we publish in Grosse Ile.

This is odd, I thought. Karl looked pained to break the news: "Sean

HOME FRONT



SEAN DALTON

- we're sending you to Dexter." "What's a Dexter?" was my third and final thought before panicking.

He explained that I was to replace experienced western Washtenaw reporter Sandi Kasha, and Terry

assured me that it would be a happening gig.

He was right. The feeling that I had been demoted and ejected to the Heritage equivalent of NBC's Anchorage bureau soon washed away as I came to learn about this quirky little town with the great schools, a vocal village government and a constant stream of fun events happening.

Now I'm going on five years as a reporter not just for Dexter but for western

The feeling that I had been demoted and ejected soon washed away as I came to learn about this quirky little town with the great schools, a vocal village government and a constant stream of fun events happening.

Washtenaw as a whole, and over the course of that time, this place has really grown on me.

I guess I'm sort of a prototype of what efforts like Chelsea First are intended for since the more I've learned about this area, the more I've wanted to relocate here.

I've wanted to do this so much that I actually went through with it late last month - I moved into the area.

Downtown Dexter, to be exact. (Sorry, Chelsea, I had to pick one).

What does this mean for me?

I get to enjoy living in a great part of a great

county. I get to live where I work.

What does this mean for you - our readers?

This means the start of a new way of functioning as a reporter.

I've heard from various people over the years what this newspaper should be, and I've heard you loud and clear.

This move was motivated as much by a desire to give these communities better newspapers as it was my growing love of Dexter and Chelsea and the areas that surround them.

So expect to see me at planning commission and

DDA meetings, chamber of commerce brunches and service club meetings, school board work sessions and township meetings - at frequencies previously impossible with my 45 to 55 minute commute.

I am going to work hard to give you a better newspaper, but I can't do it alone.

As a reader, I need your feedback. I need your ideas, and I need your voice.

If you're affiliated with one of the aforementioned organizations, groups or bodies, I need you to reach out to me with the knowledge that you have a truly local reporter at your disposal.

I'll stop short of going into any more detail at this time.

Now that I'm not commuting from Westland to be this area's reporter, my ability to do this job opens up a lot of possibilities that weren't on the table previously.

For now, let me say that I'm going to work harder

than I ever have before for the folks who rely on these newspapers, and now that work will translate into even more coverage because I'm not just your reporter, but also your neighbor.

Hindsight is sort of funny when you think about it - who'd have thought that my transfer would wind up being the beginning of a journey to a place that, even after just a couple of weeks, already feels like home.

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GUEST COLUMN: By Amy Heydlauff

The truth about 'use it or lose it'

My husband and I just spent a week with extended family ranging from age 7 to 79. We vacation up north on a lake with kayaks and water skis and all kinds of other "move more" equipment. Here are some observations that won't surprise you:

7-year-olds move a lot more and a lot faster than 45 or 75 year-olds.

Those under 25 don't wake with aching muscles after major exertion the day before.

People over 40 all know where to find the ibuprofen in a hurry.

We're less likely to work or play hard if we're over 70.

What else would you expect? As we age, we're less elastic, joint parts rub against one another and muscle tone disappears faster than civility in Washington, D.C. Years of taking advantage of our body's ability to do whatever we want stack up until body parts rebel, leaving us more sedentary every year.

Being somewhere between the hyperactive 7-year-old and the 79-year-old granddad, I thought about what it would take to preserve the function I have left.

There are whole books about the complicated physiology of aging bones and muscles. Most of us don't care about scientific explanations or long lectures about what we "should" do to live like Jack LaLanne. So, how about a couple of idioms?

There is truth in the statement "use it or lose it." Until about the age of 40, you can get away with occasional, challenging abuse of joints and muscles.

They'll keep working for us whenever we call on them. But, few people get away with that weekend-warrior approach after age 40.

You have to use your bones, joints and muscles, at least a little bit every day, or you'll gradually lose function you'll later wish you still had (some can be recovered, but it's harder than preserving).

The second thing that rings true is "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

If you plan to age in a way that will allow you to be independent, live in your own home and care for your own needs right up until your last day, then your best hope is preventing injury by staying flexible and strong.

Forty percent of older adults who live independently are not living

independently as much as a year after a hip fracture. You're only 45, you say?

What better time to incorporate stretching and strengthening as your ounce of prevention?

Just like everything in our lives that matters to us, we have to give our bodies some regular attention. Sometimes, it's easier with the help of family, friends and neighbors.

In fact, studies show that the habits of the people we associate with and even the habits of the people who know the people we associate with, can impact our own habits.

The Chelsea-Area Wellness Foundation is hoping to create a culture of wellness in our service area.

Many of you will seek out ways to maintain and even improve your current level of function. Good for you. Good for those who associate with you and good for those who associate with those you associate with!

Amy Heydlauff is the executive director the Chelsea-Area Wellness Foundation and opines monthly on health and local wellness initiatives for Heritage Media.

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AUTO

A3 offers luxury, economy, utility in a small package

By Mike Covello
Journal Register News Service

My week in a 2011 Audi A3 illustrated how amazingly fast updates in the automotive market happen.

If you're not an Audi devotee, you might have to scratch your head a bit to remember which model the A3 is. There aren't very many of them on the road.

Based on the VW Golf/Rabbit platform, it's a small five-door that might be called a hatchback, but looks more like a small wagon. Despite that, Audi doesn't call it an Avant, which is typically their appellation for station wagons.

I've enjoyed a recent string of Audi models, with my warmest memories reserved for a \$58,450 S5 Cabriolet that proved to be an absolute delight even with the top down in February. The all-new \$84,000 A8 flagship also helped to establish Audi's current expertise in my eyes. The \$32,225 A3 didn't meet the same level of luxury, but overall I have some very positive images in my memory of this smallest Audi.

Back when the A3 was launched in 2005, I took it for a cruise along the Pacific Coast Highway, enjoying decisive motor-ing on the ridge-top road known as Mulholland Drive.

Back home lately, I carved the corners of my favorite back roads as well as some comfortable long distance highway adventures in an A3.

While a majority of the Audis sold in the U.S. today carry the excellent 2.0-liter gas engine, my tester had the frugal 2.0-liter Turbo Diesel Injection motor.

The gas engine pumps out 200 hp. and makes 207 lb-ft of torque. In the A5, the same engine is rated at 211 hp. and 258 lb-ft of torque.

The TDI makes only 140 hp., but compensates with 236 lb-ft.

The advantage comes when it's time to fuel up.



The power driver's seat with four-way lumbar moves the A3 up a notch toward luxury, and the multifunction leather steering wheel is a familiar partner in back-road dancing.

The gas powerplant earns a 21/30 rating with the manual transmission, 22/28 with the S-Tronic automatic, and 21/28 when the automatic is coupled with Audi's Quattro AWD.

The TDI gets 30 in the city and 42 mpg on the highway. Prices start at \$27,220 for the gas engine with the six-speed manual and FWD.

The diesel will set you back \$30,250. My Brilliant Red tester carried only two options: the \$600 Bluetooth Value package and the \$500 cold weather package.

As more and more states crack down on distracted driving, the hands-free phone interface is becoming a must-have item.

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dancing.

For those of us in the snow zone, adding the heated front seats, exterior mirrors and windshield washer nozzles is a no-brainer. With the \$875 destination charge, the total came to \$32,225.

Audi's kept pace with the A3's exterior. The basic shape is handsome, if not outstanding.

The front end has LED headlight accents and the tall grille that's become the face of Audi.

The rear has a jaunty spoiler and modern LED taillights. But it's the interior that has shown me how far the rest of Audi has advanced since 2005, while leaving the A3 a bit behind. The center armrest has comfortable padding on it and covers a decently deep storage box.

It's also adjustable for height. The door handles still look high class with their simple shape and aluminum construction, but some items just seem to be

way behind the times.

When I wanted to look at something at night, I realized the only way is the full force of the interior lights on the windshield header: no map lights equals no night vision.

The cup holders are conveniently located in the center console, but only one is adequate; the other is too tiny.

I don't understand why I have to push the preset buttons twice to change the radio station: that's

If you're willing to sacrifice some modern touches, the A3 TDI effectively joins fuel efficiency, utility, and a touch of European flair in an affordable package.

just dumb design. The temp controls seem old-fashioned, and the round dashboard air vents look like they were just stuck on as an afterthought.

While I like the aluminum S-Tronic shift knob in my A3, I'd prefer the availability of Audi's slick DSG (Dual Shaft Gearbox). And finally my biggest complaint is the unavailability of the diesel paired with the Quattro AWD, which is one of my basic tenants of admiring the Audi lineup.

At least this A3 TDI clocked in closer to \$30,000 than the nearly \$40,000 one I had last year. I hope that Audi replaces the A3 soon and I'll be prepared to get excited all over again. But if you're willing to sacrifice a few of the more modern touches, the current A3 TDI effectively joins fuel efficiency, utility, and a touch of European flair in a fairly affordable package.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please send them to us at editor@AutoWritersInk.com.

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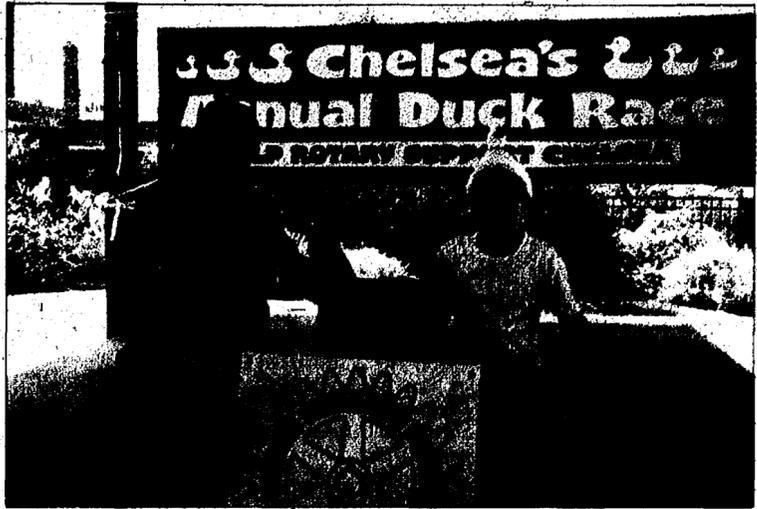
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Toppermost of the poppermost

More than 500 people attended the Toppermost Beatles tribute concert Saturday evening during Chelsea's Sounds & Sights Festival. Toppermost is a Michigan-based Beatles tribute band that recently played at the in Detroit before Paul McCartney's concert at neighboring Comerica Park in Detroit.

Toppermost features Chelsea businessman Tom Diab as Paul McCartney. The concert was sponsored by the Gourmet Chocolate Café.



Rotary raffles in place of race

The Chelsea Rotary had to cancel its duck race at the Sounds & Sights Festival due to dangerously high water levels in Lett's Creek. In its stead, the service group held a raffle drawing near the KidZone. Above, Keller Johnson, 9, of Chelsea cheerfully draws tickets with club President Paul Schissler.

Two honorees make state Women's Hall of Fame

A world-class wrestler and the first female head of the ACLU of Michigan — both residents of Ann Arbor — were among the eight notable women selected by independent juries for induction into the 2011 class of the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame.

The women will be honored at a benefit dinner Oct. 27 at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center in East Lansing.

The 2011 Michigan Women's Hall of Fame honorees in the contemporary category are listed below.

• Kary Moss of Ann Arbor is the first female executive director of the ACLU of Michigan. During her tenure, Moss has initiated reforms and lawsuits championing women's rights. As a practicing civil rights attorney, Moss litigated many cases dealing with sex discrimination and women's rights.

• Lois Bader of Lansing is dedicated to combating poverty by providing the gift of literacy and language to people in need. She is the executive director of the Capitol Area Literacy Coalition, a literacy professor at Michigan State University, and author of several books and articles, including the "Bader Reading and Language Inventory" and "Read To Succeed."

• Jumana Judeh of Dearborn Heights works as an advocate for Arab American professional women. She started the Women's Committee under the Arab American Chamber of Commerce, which later became the Arab American Women's Business Council. Judeh mentors, creates and supports networks for women in the Arab American community.

• Justice Marilyn Kelly of Bloomfield Hills is a

Michigan Supreme Court Justice. She began her career as a French teacher and was elected to the State Board of Education at age 25 — later becoming its president. Justice Kelly worked as a courtroom attorney for more than 17 years. She was elected to the Michigan Court of Appeals and to the Michigan Supreme Court twice, serving as chief justice from 2009-2011.

• Edelmira "Delma" Lopez of Lansing created venues for the Latino community to celebrate and share their heritage and Hispanic culture. Lopez helped found Cristo Rey Church and Community Center in Lansing, was the first Latina on the City of Lansing Housing Commission and worked for the United Farm Workers.

• Rose Mary Robinson of Detroit was one of the first women elected to the Wayne County Commission. Her work on the Labor Committee of the Wayne County Commission opened doors for women, disabled residents and minorities. Robinson is a criminal defense trial lawyer and appellate lawyer,

often representing poor and indigent clients pro-bono.

• Tricia McNaughton Saunders, born in Ann Arbor, is the most decorated female wrestler in America. She was the first woman to win a Michigan state wrestling title and the first female regional champion. She was the first U.S. woman to win a world wrestling title and has won more than any other American — male or female. Named a Distinguished Member of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame, Saunders was the first woman ever accorded this honor.

A Hall of Fame honoree was also named in the historical category.

• Valeria Lipczynski of Grand Rapids emigrated from Poland and dedicated her life to serving the Polish American community. Lipczynski grew the Grand Rapids Polish immigrant community and organized social, political, religious and cultural groups. She was the first woman elected to the Board of Directors of the Polish National Alliance in 1907 and she received the Golden Cross of Merit from the Polish government in 1927.

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CALHOUN, DAVID E., of Ann Arbor, MI; age 76; died July 12, 2011 in Ann Arbor, MI. He was born November 20, 1934 in Akron, OH, the son of the late Lloyd and Elda (Williams) Calhoun. David was a 1953 graduate of Everett High School in Everett, PA and a 1962 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War Era. On December 23, 1956 in Mench, PA he married his loving wife of 55 years, Geraldine (Kennard) Calhoun. David was a member of the Webster Twp. Historical Society, a member of the Webster United Church of Christ where he served as a Deacon, Webster Twp. Treasurer, from 1999 to 2006 and Chairman of the Board and CEO of the National Personnel Association from 1992 to 2002. David was employed in Sales Management Production for Bendix for 25 years, Thetford Corp. from 1978 to 1985 in Marketing and Vice President of Wastewater Treatment and Co/Owner and President of Selective Recruiting from 1985 until his retirement in 2001. Loving husband of Geraldine; beloved father of Eric (Karen) Calhoun of Dexter; dear grandfather of David and Ryan Calhoun of Dexter; brother of James (Janet) Calhoun and brother-in-law of Joyce Shaw, all of Everett, PA. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday from 10 to 11 a.m. at Webster United Church of Christ 5484 Webster Church Road in Dexter. A Christian Farewell will be held 11 a.m. Friday, July 15, 2011 at the Webster United Church of Christ with Pastor Curt Demars-Johnson, officiating. Memorial contributions are suggested to Webster Twp. Historical Society P.O. Box 253 Dexter, MI 48130 or the Bailey Fund c/o Webster United Church of Christ. Please leave a message of comfort to David's family by calling 877-231-7900 or visit his guestbook at www.borekiennings.com



NIEHAUS, RUTH; age 86; of Manchester; passed away July 26, 2011; at Legacy Assisted Living in Jackson after a long courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. Ruth was born September 3, 1924 to Gustave and Helen (Burkhart) Esch. She married Kenneth Niehaus on June 30, 1945 at St. John's United Church of Christ and he preceded her in death in 2010. Ruth was a member of Emanuel United Church of Christ in Manchester and will always be remembered by all as a loving mother and grandmother. She is survived by her children, Carol (Jim) Samonek, Lynn (Cecilia) Niehaus, Cathy (Bryan) Eisenhauer all of Manchester; grandchildren, Sara (Harvey) Proctor, Stephen (Melissa) Samonek, Troy (Jen) Niehaus, Nick Niehaus, Megan Eisenhauer and Laura Eisenhauer; great grandchildren, Kendra Waldron, Karl and Cameron Niehaus, Rebekah, Mariah, Lilly and Sophia Samonek; sister, Donna (Howard) Marsh. She was preceded in death by her sister, Virginia Esch. In Ruth's honor, memorial donations may be shared with Emanuel United Church of Christ or Great Lakes Hospice. Envelopes will be available at the **Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Jenter Chapel**. A Healing Farewell Service has taken place with Ruth's grandson, Pastor Steve Samonek, who officiated. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery, Freedom Twp., MI. Please sign Ruth's guestbook at www.borekiennings.com or leave a message of comfort for her family by calling 877-231-7900.



PARKS, JOHN EDWARD; of Grass Lake, MI; age 86; passed away Monday, July 25, 2011 at the Chelsea Community Hospital. He was born February 26, 1925 in Waterloo Twp., MI, the son of Homer and Lela (Green) Parks. He remained a life-long resident of Grass Lake growing up there and living in the house he built right next door to the farmhouse he was born in. On November 12, 1949 he married Genevieve Guinan in Chelsea. John enjoyed gardening, telling stories, being the family historian, helping others and spending time with his family and friends. But the great loves of his life were his country, his family and most of all, his wife. He is survived by his wife, Genevieve Parks of Grass Lake; his children: John L. (Donna) Parks of St. Helen, MI, Jane Schertzing of Chelsea, Daniel Parks of Gregory, Eric Parks of Grass Lake, Alicia Parks of Grass Lake, and Annie (Christopher Cavender) Hoard of Gregory; 18 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren including one on the way; and four sisters: Sal Murray of Chelsea, Catherine Brauer of Grass Lake, Helen Lake of FL, and Mary Rettig of Chelsea. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Lela Parks; two sons-in-law, Christopher Schertzing and Richard Hoard; and five siblings: Robert, Donald, and Richard Parks, Mildred Lantis, and Dorothy Walbrook. A Memorial to Celebrate his Life will be held at Eyr of the Eagle Reception Center located at 1916 Norvell Road in Grass Lake, MI, on Saturday, July 30, 2011 from 4 to 8 p.m. Expressions of sympathy can be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, American Cancer Society, St. Jude Children's Hospital, Salvation Army, or First United Methodist Church of Waterloo. Arrangements are by the **Staffan Mitchell Funeral Home**.



McALISTER, MARGARET P.; July 25, 2011, age 95. Beloved wife of the late Howard; loving sister of Irene Mehler; the late Elizabeth Kovach and the late Michael Papp; dear aunt of Elizabeth Donovan, Margaret Bertha Brown and the late Gizella Kasnia. Born in Missouri, Margaret moved to Macon from Toledo with her family at the age of five. Margaret was a junior in 1933 in the Old Stone Pennington School that Henry Ford established in the Macon-Tecumseh Michigan area when she went to work at Ford's Greenlane Academy. The Academy was a former home and meeting house on Ford's experimental farm outside of Tecumseh. Following graduation, she and another classmate were personally asked by Henry Ford to help assist the kindergarten and first grade teachers at the country schools. She always had a strong feeling about Ford Motor Company and the Ford family. She found Mr. Ford to be a very kind man, also with nice thoughts about the Village and the Museum. The lifestyles and careers of Margaret and her husband, Howard, have been inexorably bound to Ford Motor Company and its founder. She taught pre-school, and kindergarten children there while attending Michigan State Norman College (Eastern Michigan University) where she earned a bachelor of arts degree and a teacher's certificate. She received a master of arts degree in fine arts from Wayne State University and studied painting at the University of Colorado.

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A Dearborn resident for many years, Margaret resided with her husband on Firestone. She first came to Greenfield Village in 1933, working with the late Mr. Sidney Holloway, a weaver at the Village Carding Mill. She later joined the Greenfield Village Schools teaching staff in 1944. Greenfield Village, with all its historic homes had become a "second home" to Margaret, who had watched her favorite setting grow into one of the world's largest tourist attractions. At the Village Pottery Shop and Weaving Center, she had instructed some 240 adults and children in series of classes offered to residents, under new programs started after Greenfield Village Schools closed. Margaret's parting contributions to the Village and Museum is a 1981 calendar depicting, in pen and ink, the buildings and scenes throughout the Village and Museum. A delegate in 1977 to the Dearborn Community Arts Council, Margaret had made drawings for Edison Institute publications, for AAA promotion of the Village and the Museum, and had done some art work for WTVS programs staged by Marion Corwell. Funeral Friday, July 29, 2011 at 11 a.m. from the Dearborn Chapel of the Howe-Peterson Funeral Home, 22546 Michigan Ave. Visitation Thursday 2 to 9 p.m. Burial Macon Cemetery. Memorials to The Henry Ford, Institution of Advancement, P.O. Box 1970, Dearborn, MI 48121-1970.

RADTKE, ANGELA M.; of Dexter, MI; went to be with the Lord Wednesday, July 27, 2011; she died peacefully at home at the age of 46. She was born December 28, 1964 in Ann Arbor, MI, the daughter of Roy and Laurel "Jo" Radtke of Dexter and was a 1983 graduate of Dexter High School. Beloved daughter of Roy and "Jo"; loving mother of Avalon and Robert, III; dear sister of Roy Radtke, Jr. and wife Karen and former wife of Rob Guenther. Angie is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The family will gather with friends on Friday from 2 to 8 p.m. at **Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel** and on Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hamburg. A Healing Farewell will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, July 30, 2011 at St. Paul Lutheran Church with Rev. Evan Gaertner, officiating. Burial will take place in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Dexter. Memorial contributions are suggested to Angie's children or Friends of Wildlife. Please leave a message of comfort to Angie's family by calling 877-231-7900 or visit her guestbook at www.borekiennings.com

PARRISH, DONALD M.; 73; died Tuesday, July 12 of brain cancer. In his final hours, Don was supported by his loving family, friends, and the music of Mozart, Vivaldi, and Don's brother, Paul. Don was the eldest son of Milton and Irene Elizabeth Parrish and, along with his two brothers, spent his early life in Redford, Farmington and Walled Lake, Michigan. After graduation from Walled Lake High School, Don attended the University of Detroit and the University of Michigan, where he earned a Bachelor and Masters Degree in Music and was a proud member of the Michigan Marching Band. Don's wonderfully successful career as a music educator found him teaching junior high band in Walled Lake, band and orchestra in Ann Arbor at the elementary, junior and senior high level and developing a vibrant string program at the Dexter Community Schools. He was also a founding member, and conductor of the Dexter Community Orchestra. In addition to his many years in music education, Don was a discriminating antique collector and dealer who traveled throughout the United States and Europe in search of quality antiques. He also built dozens of beautifully crafted, custom homes in the Ann Arbor area, designed in the style of 18th Century New England dwellings. Don is survived by his wife of 45 years, Sally (Watt); his children, Susan Push (Tony), Mark (Brooke), and Steven; his brothers, David (Mary) and Paul; grandchildren, Ashley, Jacob and Rayna; his nephews, Christopher, Michael, Nathan, and Aron; and his brother-in-law, Terry Watt. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the **Muehlig Funeral Chapel** in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Memorials may be offered to Dexter Community Orchestra P.O. Box 331 Dexter, MI 48130 or the Department of Neuro-oncology at the University of Michigan 1500 E. Medical Center Drive Ann Arbor, MI 48109. A special Memorial Concert in Don's honor is being planned for Sunday, September 11, 2011 at 2 p.m. at the Dexter High School Centre for Performing Arts. Donald Parrish was a kind, gentle, dedicated, loving man whose gifts of music, personal integrity, and grace will remain with his family, friends and thousands of former students through eternity. In many ways, he was a "master builder" and craftsman whose positive contributions to family, friends, professions, community and church were remarkable. We are all better people because of the time Don was given to share his life with us on this earth. Cancer may have defeated his body, but Don truly "won" the struggle, because nothing can alter the "life" and legacy he has left behind.

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What you should know about strategic default

Who would risk the negative impact of defaulting on a mortgage if they didn't really have to?

About 17 percent of Americans who defaulted on their mortgages in the second quarter of 2010 did exactly that, according to a study by Experian, the leading global information services company.

"Strategic default" - choosing to stop paying on your mortgage even if you can afford the monthly payments - peaked at the end of 2008 during the height of the Great Recession. At that time, strategic defaults accounted for 20 percent of all mortgage defaults 60 or more days overdue, according to Experian.

And while the percentage of Americans taking this option has steadily declined since then, the credit risks for strategic defaulters remain unchanged.

"Not paying your mortgage will have a far-reaching, long-lasting impact on your ability to secure future credit, regardless of the reason for your default,"

says Charles Chung, Experian's president of Decision Analytics.

"Experian's study indicates that many strategic defaulters continue to faithfully pay on their other debts. Some even purchase other homes for better terms before selectively defaulting on their upside-down mortgage."

If you owe more on your home than its current market value, you may feel tempted to walk away from a bad investment, even if you can afford to make the monthly mortgage

Defaulting on your mortgage is the second most damaging thing you can do to your credit, even if you continue to pay your other bills.

payment. But when considering strategic default, you should keep several factors in mind:

- Defaulting on your mortgage is the second most damaging thing you can do to your credit, even if you continue to pay your other bills.

- Only bankruptcy will affect your credit score more adversely than foreclosure.

- Foreclosure remains on your credit report for seven years. During that time, securing other credit at reasonable terms and rates will be very difficult, if not impossible.

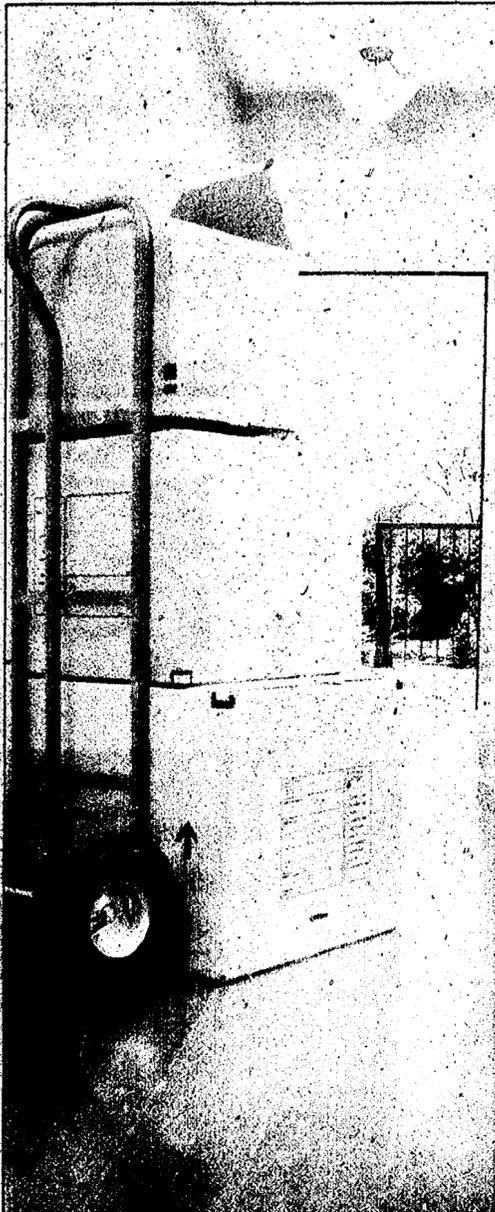
- Potential employers are looking at credit reports. In fact, 60 percent now check applicants' credit reports, according to an article in the Washington Times. By impacting your credit, a strategic default may affect your ability to get a job.

- Last year, Fannie Mae, the government-controlled mortgage giant, said it would implement a policy to prohibit strategic defaulters from getting a new Fannie Mae-backed mortgage for seven years from the date of foreclosure.

- Finally, in some cases, the debt that foreclosure "erases" may be recorded as income, which means you will have to pay taxes on it.

"Some may see strategic default as a way to get out of paying a bad debt," Chung says. "But its associated costs like a lower credit score, higher interest rates and less ability to secure future credits, can wipe out the financial benefit of no longer having a mortgage payment."

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Defaulting on a mortgage will make it difficult to secure a loan with reasonable interest rates.

Create an outdoor entertaining oasis



Even a small outdoor area can serve dual purposes if you choose multi-functional pieces, such as a bench or chairs that allow for dining as well as a casual conversation area.

Make guests feel welcome in a comfortable, stylish space

Warm weather is perfect for entertaining outdoors. Creating a space that's comfortable and stylish makes guests feel welcome for friendly gatherings.

"Exterior spaces are just as much in need of decorating as interior spaces," says Target Style Expert for Home and HGTV Designer, Sabrina Soto. "Before you begin to decorate, think about how you plan to use your outdoor space."

Envision your patio, garden or deck as an extension of your indoor living space and design it based on how you will use it most.

Even a small outdoor area can serve dual purposes if you choose multi-functional pieces, such as a bench or chairs that allow for dining as well as a casual conversation area.

Start creating your space with a great piece of furniture as the focal point. "It's worth investing in outdoor furniture, like the Smith & Hawken Solenti collection from Target," suggests Soto.

"The collection is made of Premium Grade A Teak, the best quality wood for the outdoors because it can withstand the elements and will last for years."

Once the large furniture pieces are selected,

accessories like cushions and toss pillows can add pops of color. Lush green, turquoise and rust add an elegant playful touch to neutral furniture.

Create a more sophisticated environment by keeping accessories simple, or mix-and-match bright, patterned pieces to add a whimsical look to your outdoor space.

Planters and lighting can be used to complete the look, and will create a more festive setting outdoors. Tall planters filled with green foliage can define your space and add privacy. Hanging lanterns and string lights - especially L.E.D. lighting - are a

great way to illuminate an outdoor space and create ambiance for night-time gatherings, without spending a lot.

Line the perimeter of your party area with lanterns and create a lit pathway to lead guests out when the party is over.

"Simple touches transform outdoor spaces into inviting summer retreats," says Soto. "Layering in the right outdoor furniture and accessories will make your next outdoor event stylish and welcoming."

For more outdoor decorating products and ideas, visit Target.com.

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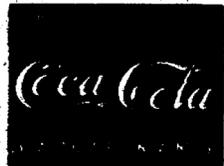
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Saline's Teboe wins world title in weapon's combat

By Randy Castro
A2 Journal

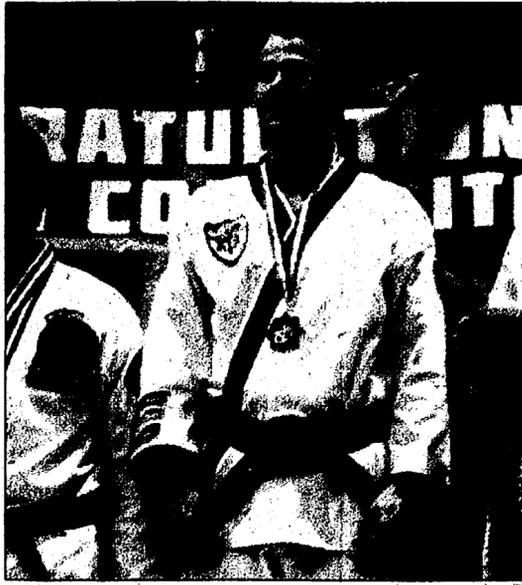
A college prank began Paul Teboe's martial arts career in 1993; nobody's laughing now.

Teboe, 39, now a fifth-degree black belt and head instructor at Saline American Taekwondo Association Martial Arts school, won the World Championship in weapon's combat sparring in Little Rock, Ark. last month.

Out of the 16 competitors in his division, Teboe was victorious in each of his four single-elimination matches. Relying on his footwork and counters, he was able to win the combat sparring title in its inaugural year.

"Movement is very key for me," he said. "Evading and footwork, using counters and fakes."

Teboe, who has been competing in world championship competitions since 1996, said the significance of winning the champion-



Saline ATA Head Instructor Paul Teboe took first place in his division of Combat Weapons Sparring at the World Championships in Little Rock, Ark. last month.

ship didn't immediately set in, but rather he said he felt like it was another typical tournament victory.

Though, that soon changed. "It's kind of special," he said. "It was great, it felt really good."

"The accomplishment kind of sunk in later." In order to qualify for a World Championship event, a competitor must finish in the top 10 of his event in cumulative point scoring throughout the year. Teboe said he has been competing at world championship events, which are made up of four events—forms, weapons forms, sparring and now combat weapons sparring—since 1997.

"My motivation is basically my competitive nature," he said. "Tournaments are the closest thing we have to (utilizing) self defense in our martial art."

"It's an adrenaline rush." Teboe said though he is proud of what he has been able to accomplish, not everything hinges on victories and defeats.

"Whether you win or lose, you gain something," he said. "Even in a loss, you gain experience."

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THE GREAT OUTDOORS



Heritage outdoors writer Rick Taylor of Chelsea shows off his reward during a memorable salmon fishing trip.

Companions turn fishing trip into something special

I won a salmon fishing trip from Michigan Out of Doors (MOOD)

TV last fall. Little did I know that I'd share this amazing experience with four great guys. Any of these guys would have made a great story so sharing this fishing trip with all four was simply amazing.

Jimmy Gretzinger, Bill Harmer, Captain Greg Sheremeta and Bob Young are those four guys and I'd like to talk about how they made our fishing experience extraordinary. Many of you may know Bill Harmer as the Director of the Chelsea District Library. Bill and I have collaborated on various projects in Chelsea for the last few years and we're both in Rotary International.

Bill is anything but one dimensional. He's a happily married man with three awesome kids; he loves Rock and Roll; raced sail boats for years, enjoys NASCAR races and gets along with almost everyone in Chelsea.

Bill is an amazingly focused and driven person who's passionate in his profession. Just walk into the library and you'll see a state of the art facility that rivals most large city institutions.

I had one available spot for this fishing trip. No, Bill wasn't my first choice or my second. My wife and son were but logistically we couldn't work it out. However, I knew that Bill wasn't into the outdoors the way I was. I thought, he might actually get a kick out of this so I asked if he'd like to come. Of course he

said yes! Even Bill knew a good time when he saw it. Frankfort is located

about an hour south of Traverse City and not easy to reach. The drive takes about 4 hours and that's if you're carrying the mail. Bill's love for rock and roll actually helped me in asking him to come along.

I too am a fan of many genres of music; Rock being one of my favorites. Let's face it; four hours in each direction is a long time to be sitting next to someone so you might as well try to find someone with similar music tastes.

We made the 4 hour trip without incident and looked forward to stretching our legs. Jimmy Gretzinger, host of MOOD TV was waiting for us and we headed into town for dinner and a few beers. Jimmy liked this pub called Dinghy's so we all jumped in his truck and were ordering drinks and food before you knew it.

Jimmy bought the rights to MOOD TV show from MUCC and has done a valiant job of ensuring a wonderful experience for the viewers. It was nice to see Jimmy relax from his duties as TV host and talk about his love of the outdoors, work and his wife and kids. Let us not forget that Jimmy is a huge Jimmy Buffet fan and knows the words to every song that Mr. Buffet ever played.

We soon left Dinghy's after a couple hours and made our way to the marina; it was approaching 10pm. We enjoyed watching the boats come back with their limits of king salmon and lake trout. We had the

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OUTDOORS



RICK TAYLOR

HERITAGE GOLF COURSE REVIEW: HURON HILLS



Photo by Terry Jacoby

Huron Hills offers more open challenges on the front nine and tighter fairways and rolling hills on the back nine.

History Course: Ann Arbor's Huron Hills has welcomed golfers since 1922

By Mike Larson
A2 Journal

Shorter doesn't have to mean inferior.

This is a fact that the Huron Hills Golf Course exemplifies beautifully.

For an 18-hole course, Huron Hills is extremely short, measuring in at just over 5,000 yards.

With two par-5 holes on the front nine, the first half of the course is longer than the latter.

The back nine at Huron Hills is significantly shorter, featuring four par-3 holes and no par-5s.

However, the lack of length isn't a bad thing for the course.

In fact, it makes Huron Hills a versatile public course in Ann Arbor, being the wonderful complement to the city's other municipal course, Leslie Park.

One of the most noticeable things about Huron Hills is its accessibility.

It is a course that can be challenging for veteran golfers, but at the same time a fun course for the average ball striker and a perfect training ground for children who are just starting the game.

The course, which is located on Huron Parkway between Geddes Road and Washtenaw Avenue on Ann Arbor's east side, is very open, and allows players of all skill levels to enjoy a round.

From the first hole, players are treated to a course that is not only well-maintained, but also lots of fun to play.

The opening hole, a 384-yard, par-4, sets the tone for the round.

The hole is pretty straight, with the

Scorecard: Huron Hills

Where: 3465 E. Huron River Dr., Ann Arbor
Web: <http://www.ci.ann-arbor.mi.us>
Phone: 734-794-6246

Director of Golf: Doug Kelly
The course: The Historic Huron Hills Golf Course is a beautiful, rolling 18-hole golf facility dedicated to the community and features two forward sets of tees designed for juniors, seniors, and beginners and a back tee designed for the more advanced golfer. The course features 5,071 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 67. The course rating is 67.1 and it has a slope rating of 108. Designed by Tom Bendelow, the Huron Hills golf course opened in 1922.

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Football getting ready to kick off

The Big Day Prep Showdown will kick off the high school football season for a number of local teams (see schedule). Football practices for all teams begin Aug. 14. Heritage Newspapers will present the football pre-view section on Aug. 25 with a breakdown of all local teams. Below are the schedules for local teams.



2011 Big Day Prep Showdown

Thursday, Aug. 25: 5 p.m. - Clinton vs. Manchester
Thursday, Aug. 25: 8 p.m. - SH Stevenson vs. Howell
Friday, Aug. 26: 6 p.m. - AA Skyline vs. Hartland
Friday, Aug. 26: 8 p.m. - Chelsea vs. Novi
Saturday, Aug. 27: 11 a.m. - SMCC vs. Plymouth
Saturday, Aug. 27: 2 p.m. - Lake Fenton vs. AA Richard
Saturday, Aug. 27: 5 p.m. - Martin Luther King vs. Brother Rice
Saturday, Aug. 27: 8 p.m. - Cass Tech vs. FH Harrison
Tickets: Advance tickets for Thursday, Aug. 25 and Friday, Aug. 26 games are \$6 for students and \$8 for adults. Advance tickets for Saturday, Aug. 27 games are \$7 for students and \$9 for adults and will be available for purchase at www.detroitssports.org.

HS football schedules

Ann Arbor Pioneer

Fri. 8/26 at DeLaSalle Collegiate 7 p.m.
 Sat. 9/3 at Brother Rice 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 host Ypsilanti High 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 host Saline 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 at Skyline 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 at Bedford 7:30 p.m.
 Thur. 10/6 at Monroe 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 host Ann Arbor Huron 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 host Livonia Franklin 7 p.m.

Ann Arbor Huron

Fri. 8/26 host Salem at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/2 at Lincoln at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 host Dexter 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Bedford 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 at Monroe 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 host Skyline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/6 host Saline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 at Pioneer at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 host Carmen-Ainsworth 7 p.m.

Ann Arbor Skyline

Fri. 8/26 host Hartland HS at 7 p.m.
 Thur. 9/1 at Dexter at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 at Chelsea at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 hosts Monroe at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 host Pioneer at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 at Ann Arbor Huron 7 p.m.
 Thur. 10/6 hosts Bedford at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 at Saline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 at Dearborn at 7 p.m.

Gabriel Richard

Sat. 9/10 hosts Notre Dame Prep at 1:30 p.m.
 Sat. 9/17 host Cranbrook at 1:30 p.m.
 Sat. 9/24 host Clarenceville 1:30 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 at Lutheran High North at 7 p.m.
 Sat. 10/1 at Bellevue Jr./Sr High at 1 p.m.

Belleville

Fri. 8/26 at Lincoln at 7 p.m.
 Thur. 9/1 host Garden City at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 at Dearborn Edsel Ford at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Dearborn Fordson at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 host Romulus at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 host Detroit Country Day at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 host Dearborn High at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 Red Crossover TBA
 Fri. 10/21 at Walled Lake Western at 7 p.m.

Chelsea

Fri. 8/26 vs. Novi at EMU, 8 p.m.
 Fri. 9/2 host East Lansing at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 host Skyline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Ypsilanti at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 hosts Adrian at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 hosts Lincoln at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 at Tecumseh at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 at Dexter at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 at Haslett High School at 7 p.m.

Dexter

Fri. 8/26 at Fowlerville at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/1 host Skyline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 at Ann Arbor Huron at 7 p.m.

Fri. 9/16 hosts Adrian at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 hosts Tecumseh at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 at Ypsilanti at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 hosts Chelsea at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 at Pinckney at 7 p.m.

Manchester

Thur. 8/25 vs. Clinton at EMU at 5 p.m.
 Thurs. 9/1 at Napoleon at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 hosts Vandercook High at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 hosts Addison at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 at Hanover-Horton at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 at East Jackson at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 at Michigan Center at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 host Hillsdale at 7 p.m.

Milan

Fri. 8/26 host Ypsilanti at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/2 host Monroe Jefferson at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 host New Boston Huron at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Grosse Ile 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 host St. Mary CC at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 host Flat Rock at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 at Riverview at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 at Carleton Airport at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 at South Lyon East at 7 p.m.

Saline

Fri. 8/26 host Walled Lake Western at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/2 host Ypsilanti at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 at Lincoln at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Pioneer at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 hosts Bedford at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 host Monroe High at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/6 at Huron at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 host Skyline
 Fri. 10/21 at Novi High School at 7 p.m.

Ypsilanti

Fri. 8/26 at Milan at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/2 at Saline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 at Pioneer at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 hosts Chelsea at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 at Tecumseh at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 hosts Dexter at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 hosts Lincoln at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 host Detroit Community at 7 p.m.

Ypsilanti Lincoln

Fri. 8/26 host Belleville at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/2 host Huron at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 host Saline at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Tecumseh at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 hosts Dexter at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 at Chelsea at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 hosts Adrian at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/14 at Ypsilanti at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/21 at Hartland at 7 p.m.

Willow Run

Fri. 8/26 host Plymouth Ed. Ctr at 7 p.m.
 Thur. 9/1 host Loyola Prep at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/9 host Consortium Collegiate at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/16 at Ecorse at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/23 host Allen Academy at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 9/30 at Westside Christian at 7 p.m.
 Fri. 10/7 TBA
 Fri. 10/14 at Championship Game TBA
 Fri. 10/21 hosts Ida at 7 p.m.

A good read on the season

Right now it's so hot outside that the thought of entering a place without central air conditioning leaves me teetering on the edge of a panic attack.

Yet, despite the fact that most of the area feels like a preheating oven, I'm finding it hard not to get excited about football season.

The NFL lockout is expected to end soon (if it hasn't already). College football season is getting ready to start, and Michigan fans are just itching to see what new coach Brady Hoke has up his sleeve for their beloved Wolverines.

Even the prospect of high school football has me starting to get excited.

With new coaches at Pioneer and Skyline and the Huron program amid a big turnaround, football in Ann Arbor could be very interesting this season.

So, even though we are riding high along this Midwestern heat wave, there are ways to get a nice, cool football fix without ever leaving your house.

No, I'm not talking about the new NCAA football game for all of the video game consoles. This list is for the more critical thinkers of the group.

The following is a list of books that football fans should get their hands on.

Not only will they allow you to read about the greatest game on turf, but they will get you in the mood for the season, which will start to get underway in less than a month.

So, here we go:

1. **Friday Night Lights: A Town, a Team, and a Dream** by H.G. Bissinger

Friday Night Lights is a book that was so popular it was made into a movie and later into a TV series.

It's the story of the 1988 Permian High Panthers football team and the Odessa, Texas squad's run to the state championship.

With characters so rich and larger-than-life, sometimes it's easy to forget that the book is based on real people.

While the players and coaches and their drive to win takes top billing in the book, Friday Night Lights also delves into racism and the importance placed upon football over academics in Odessa.

2. **Rammer Jammer Yellow Hammer: A Road Trip Into the Heart of Fan Mania** by Warren St. John

I know Ann Arbor is a long way from SEC country, but college football fans will struggle to find a better book about the mayhem and craziness that can be found at football stadiums on Saturday afternoons in the fall.

The book, which is titled for a cheer that the fans of the Alabama Crimson Tide use, chronicles author Warren St. John's odyssey around the Southeastern Conference as he follows the

Alabama football team.

Unsatisfied with following the team like a journalist, St. John purchases a \$5,500 beater RV to fully immerse himself in the fan experience.

He travels to all of the away games, talking with and analyzing some of the most rabid football fans in the nation.

The book combines a really interesting travel story with profiles of some of the most colorful football fans in the nation.

3. **Meat Market: Inside The Smash-Mouth World Of College Football Recruiting** by Bruce Feldman

For an entire year between 2006 and 2007, author Bruce Feldman worked alongside Ole Miss head football coach Ed Orgeron.

He chronicled his time in Oxford, Miss., writing about the Rebels' recruiting practices.

The result is Meat Market, an up close look at hardcore college football recruiting.

I know, I know, another SEC book, but hear me out. This isn't the story of recruiting at a USC or a post 2011 Ohio State.

This is the story of a bottom-feeder in one of the nation's top conferences and how the team's workaholic coach refuses to give up on some of the best recruits.

You have to admire Orgeron (who has had a very shady past, but seems to have put his hard-living times behind him), who literally busts his butt to get the best players to come to his program.

It almost breaks your heart when a recruit doesn't choose Old Miss.

Meat Market not only brings you into a world of cut-throat deals and backdoor promises, but also gives you a glimpse of people involved.

4. **Where Men Win Glory: The Odyssey of Pat Tillman** by Jon Krakauer

OK, this isn't really a football book.

It's more of an in depth look at the war in Iraq, disguised as a football book.

The story, which was written by Jon Krakauer (of Under the Banner of Heaven and Into Thin Air fame), tells the story of former NFL safety Pat Tillman.

Tillman, who was a solid NFL player, enlisted in the Army after the attacks on 9/11. Later, while fighting as part of the elite Army Rangers, Tillman was killed as a result of friendly fire.

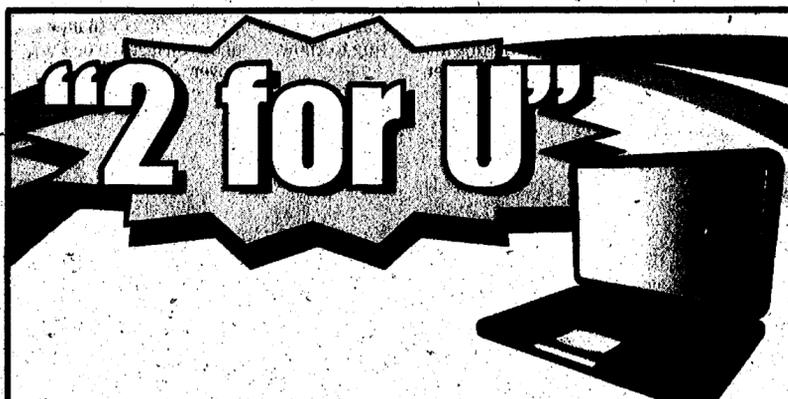
The book goes to great lengths to try to explain Tillman, who comes off as a tragic, but complicated figure.

Excerpts from Tillman's journals and letters portray him as a thoughtful and sensitive man, an anomaly compared to his fierce football player persona.

Take what you want from it politically but the book shows a portrait of a great professional football player and an American hero.



MIKE LARSON



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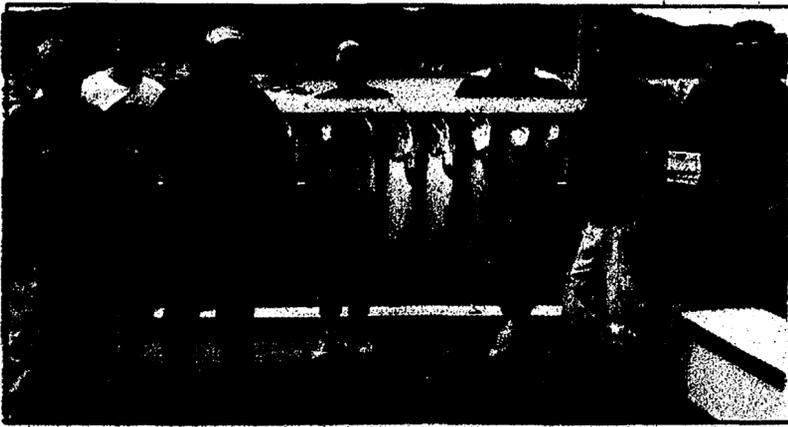
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Rick Taylor (second from left) and his fishing friends show off a day's catch.

OUTDOORS

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opportunity to meet our boat captain by the name of Greg Sheremeta. Greg was happy to meet up with us as he discussed their catch of the day. We soon called it a day ourselves and made our way back to the motel.

Bill and I were pretty excited for our chance to try our luck at catching fish early the next morning. However, trying to sleep well wasn't going to be easy with our accommodations. Our room smelled like mildew, my bed was shaped like a canoe and little did I know our alarm clock wouldn't wake us up the next morning!

My alarm sounded a lot like my cell phone. Why was my cell phone ringing? It was Jimmy on the other end telling me that everyone was at the marina waiting on Bill and I. Oh expletive... let's just say we made it to the marina in 7 minutes.

Bill and I hauled our butts onto the boat and we were heading out to the open waters of Lake Michigan. We met up with three other fishermen; one in particular is the current Chief of Police for Williamston, Michigan. Bob Young has been the Chief of Police for a little over a year and is arguably one of the coolest police officers I ever met. He wasn't pretentious, rude or bossy.

He was just so happy to be here and was looking forward to catching some fish while hanging out with us. Bob was approachable, funny and so easy going. Bob talked about how he loved his community of Williamston and how good they've been to him.

Boat Captain Greg Sheremeta is a United States Coast Guard Master Captain and has years of experience on the water in our Great Lakes. He's always wearing a smile and also very approachable. Greg donated his time, boat, fuel and fishing gear because he's a big fan of Jimmy's show. Greg deserves a hand because the fuel expenses alone are ridiculous for such a trip.

Greg is only 24 years and yes, he looks it too. But don't let that fool you. He can maneuver the boat like a magician and he also put us on the fish immediately. Thanks for everything Greg; your services were outstanding and very much appreciated by all of us.

The water was calm as we

motored out about 3 miles from the Frankfort marina. I could count 51 other boats we'd be competing with; even if it were only 5:30am.

The fourth rod was being tended to when we heard that unmistakable "zing" from one of the reels. "Fish On" yelled Captain Greg. "Who's going to take this rod?" he asked. There was a 3-4 second delay before I pushed Bill forward to the rod and reel. Bill was nervous but the rest of us had previous fishing experience unlike Bill.

Greg handed Bill the rod and gave some good advice that most of us fishermen already know: pull up and reel down.

Bill got the hang of it fairly quickly and Jimmy got out his video camera to catch the action as it happened. The rest of us hung back while Bill feverishly reeled in what would be the largest fish of the day. Bill successfully brought in a 20 pound king salmon and all on board were congratulating him on his very first Salmon and largest catch ever.

We were taking pictures of Bill and his fish when another reel started screaming; "fish on" yelled Captain Greg. I was handed the rod and brought in a gorgeous King Salmon within a few minutes. Wow, what a morning.

All of us had fish in the boat within an hour and we couldn't have been happier. We had some down time to discuss our catches and previous experiences. We simply had a great time fishing and getting to know each other.

But, like all good things our time had to end and we called it a day. We shared information with each other and vowed to do this again sometime. Man, I sure hope we can actually follow

through with that because I had the best time with these guys. The best part is that we can relive this experience on MOOD TV in a few weeks as it will go to air on your local PBS station.

We tipped Captain Greg and his 1st mate and made our way back home. For 4 hours Bill and I laughed about the good times we had. I called my wife and she prepared a marinade for the salmon; we were having salmon for dinner with her mom, brother and his wife and kids.

We pulled into the driveway of my home and I introduced Bill to my in-laws. Bill and I told them the abbreviated version of our fishing trip and they loved it.

Just then my phone rang, it was Norm O'Connor's home number and I excused myself from the group. I answered the phone and it was Erma on the other end. I was giddy due to the lack of sleep, long drive and fishing experience.

I could tell in her tone that bad news was coming and I said "Oh no, no, no." She said: "I'm sorry Rick but Norm passed away earlier this morning and I wanted you to know." She told me that Norm read the article from a day earlier and loved it.

It turns out that Norm passed away while we were on the boat having the fishing experience of a lifetime. I'd like to think that Norm was on the boat with us.

This story is dedicated in memory of Norm O'Connor; a friend, family man and above all else a true Fun Lover.

Feel free to use Captain Greg on your next fishing trip on Lake Michigan. His website is www.sarakfishingcharters.com and his cell number is (248)444-3984.

TEBOE

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"I find tournaments a great learning tool."

Teboe said he tries to implement that mentality onto his student body. He attributes his personal success to his instructor, Senior Master Tomas Sandoval of Tecumseh, whom Teboe said "taught me everything I know."

Teboe said he's already looking forward to competing at the world championships next year, saying his

victory has already begun pushing him to train for what's to come.

"Nobody wins everything," he said.

While he's not training for next year's event, Teboe oversees a school of 135 students enrolled in martial

arts training and 70 more in the fitness program.

It's been quite a journey since one of his college friends dropped his name in a box, some 18 years ago, which resulted in Teboe winning a membership. "I was hooked" he said.

GOLF

FROM PAGE 1-B

only obstacles being a small creek that crosses the fairway and a bunker to the left of the green.

The hole says a lot about the rest of the course.

Yes, there are a few obstructions that will offer challenges, but there aren't too many aspects of this course that will cause players the kind of seeing-red frustration that can creep up during play.

"We feel that we are certainly a unique facility in the Ann Arbor area," course manager Andrew Walton said. "We really focus on entry-level and beginner golf and we are certainly an affordable golf course."

The course's rates range anywhere from \$9 to \$32.

And while the short length of the course could be a turnoff to some of the more experienced golfers, it's interesting to note that some of the most challenging holes at Huron Hills are the par-3s, which are plentiful.

"One of the unique things about our golf course is that we are a par 67," Walton said. "It's just over 5,000 yards, which is relatively short; however, we do a lot of par-3s that are quite challenging."

For the most part, the front nine is pretty open, forgiving to players who don't always hit the ball straight.

However on the back nine, hills and woods start to come into play.

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Splash for the cash



Swim-A-Cross season wraps up at Rutherford

By Meredith Welch
Guest Writer

The last swim event of the Swim-A-Cross Plus season took off last week at the Rutherford Municipal Pool (RMP) in Ypsilanti. The small team came together to support the Red Cross of Washtenaw County despite their mission to save their neighborhood pool.

The team has a daunting goal of raising \$600,000 to build a new pool for next summer, so it was very impressive when the swimmers were once again willing to host the Swim-A-Cross team at their practice.

Several participants collected per length pledges and are still working to collect more donations. With the combination of their pool goal and this philanthropic event, their contributions were impressive and very appreciated.

The event really showcased the sense of community that the Rutherford pool provides, and several people expressed the appreciation they have for the role that the Red Cross plays in that community. RMP parent, Eileen Smith, stated her gratitude for the services that the Red Cross provides by saying, "We are all basically one disaster away from



Photo by Meredith Welch

Brothers, Ben (left) and Lou Cesar take a break at the wall during the American Red Cross fundraiser the Swim-A-Cross at the Rutherford Municipal Pool.

losing everything. Recognizing this has made me a more compassionate and humble person."

Angela Cesar, RMP parent registered her four children to

participate. She thanked the Red Cross volunteers for coming to the pool and providing the opportunity for children to learn about this cause. Cesar said that

she remembered participating in Swim-A-Cross years ago at Veteran's Park Pool in Ann Arbor. Cesar said that she remembered participating in Swim-A-Cross years ago at Veteran's Park Pool in Ann Arbor. Cesar said that she remembered participating in Swim-A-Cross years ago at Veteran's Park Pool in Ann Arbor.

Mary Kumbier was touched by the efforts that this small community pool put forth. It is run by a couple, Bonnie Cervantes and Eric Rudolph, who appreciate the value of Red Cross in their community.

"We appreciate that Rutherford folks feel strongly about supporting the Red Cross by participating in this fundraiser," Kumbier said. "They are a remarkable group of community-minded families."

By agreeing to dedicate their swim practice to the Red Cross of Washtenaw County, local swim teams help support community disaster relief throughout the year. This program is a great outlet for young athletes to learn about philanthropic community support and also helps to provide funds for the American Red Cross throughout the year.

Athletes enjoyed snacks during the fundraiser compliments of Jimmy Johns and Whole Foods Market.

The Swim-A-Cross Plus program will wrap up with a Golf-A-Cross event at Barton Hills Country Club on Sunday.

For more information, visit the website www.wc-redcross.org, or contact Mary Kumbier at 971-5300 extension 259 or kumbierm@usa-redcross.org.

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Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sunshine and warm	Mainly clear	Chance of a thunderstorm	Some sun; warm and humid	A thunderstorm possible	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Variable cloudiness
79° to 85°	57° to 63°	76° to 82° 61° to 67°	84° to 90° 62° to 68°	84° to 90° 56° to 62°	77° to 83° 54° to 60°	79° to 85° 52° to 58°	76° to 82° 48° to 54°

SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

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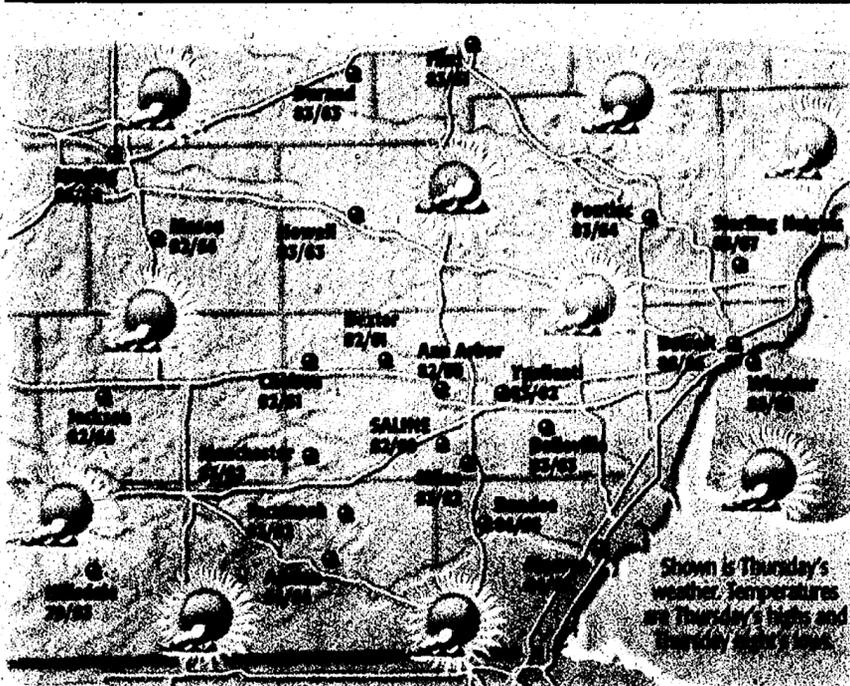
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Statistics for the week ending Monday, August 11

Temperatures:
 High/Low for the week: 92°/53°
 Normal high/low: 83°/62°
 Average temperature: 78.9°
 Normal average temperature: 72.4°

Precipitation:
 Total for the week: 6.90"
 Total for the month: 0.00"
 Total for the year: 27.83"
 Normal for the month: 0.13"
 Normal for the year: 21.72"

THE REGION



PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures: High/Low

82	82	82	82	82	82	82	82
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THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

Weekly UV Index and RealFeel Temperature

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RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday

River	Normal stage	Current stage
Ecosee Creek	12.0'	12.05'
Dearborn Heights	12.0'	12.05'
Huron River	12.0'	12.05'
Ann Arbor	12.0'	12.05'
Malletts Creek	12.0'	12.05'
Ann Arbor	12.0'	12.05'
MM Creek	12.0'	12.05'
Dearborn	12.0'	12.05'
Oliver Branch	12.0'	12.05'
Manchester	12.0'	12.05'

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	570.11'	572.41'
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	574.80 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	City	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Adrian	82/65/pc	82/65/pc	82/65/pc	82/65/pc	Ann Arbor	81/66/pc	83/64/s	80/62/pc	84/65/pc
Ann Arbor	82/61/pc	82/60/s	79/64/pc	87/65/pc	Dearborn	81/66/pc	83/64/s	80/62/pc	84/65/pc
Bay City	81/64/pc	84/64/s	80/62/pc	84/64/pc	Flint	81/65/pc	83/61/s	81/63/pc	87/66/pc
Dearborn	81/66/pc	83/64/s	80/62/pc	84/65/pc	Grand Rapids	81/65/pc	83/61/s	81/63/pc	87/66/pc
Flint	81/65/pc	83/61/s	81/63/pc	87/66/pc	Kalamazoo	81/65/pc	83/66/pc	82/67/pc	86/69/pc
Grand Rapids	81/65/pc	83/61/s	81/63/pc	87/66/pc	Livonia	83/67/pc	86/66/s	82/68/pc	87/69/pc
Kalamazoo	81/65/pc	83/66/pc	82/67/pc	86/69/pc					
Livonia	83/67/pc	86/66/s	82/68/pc	87/69/pc					

SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set	The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	6:28 a.m.	8:20 p.m.	Thursday	12:28 p.m.	11:52 p.m.
Friday	6:32 a.m.	8:50 p.m.	Friday	1:41 p.m.	11:52 p.m.
Saturday	6:36 a.m.	9:20 p.m.	Saturday	2:54 p.m.	11:52 p.m.
Sunday	6:34 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	Sunday	4:00 p.m.	12:34 a.m.
Monday	6:30 a.m.	8:20 p.m.	Monday	5:00 p.m.	12:34 a.m.
Tuesday	6:36 a.m.	8:45 p.m.	Tuesday	5:55 p.m.	2:18 a.m.
Wednesday	6:37 a.m.	8:54 p.m.	Wednesday	6:41 p.m.	2:18 a.m.

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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Boston	80/64/pc	80/66/s	81/68/pc
Chicago	81/65/pc	81/65/pc	81/65/pc
Cincinnati	86/68/pc	93/71/pc	91/73/pc
Cleveland	81/65/pc	81/65/pc	81/65/pc
Dallas	106/83/s	106/81/s	106/81/s
Honolulu	89/76/pc	89/76/pc	89/75/s
Kansas City	90/75/t	91/73/pc	96/71/pc
Los Angeles	83/64/pc	81/65/pc	83/66/pc
Minneapolis	84/65/pc	86/67/pc	85/66/pc
New York City	84/71/s	85/73/s	84/70/pc
Philadelphia	87/71/s	91/72/pc	92/74/pc
Pittsburgh	84/65/s	88/66/pc	85/68/pc
San Francisco	62/54/pc	67/55/pc	67/56/pc
Wash., DC	88/72/pc	89/73/pc	90/75/pc

WORLD CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Berlin	72/66/sh	78/64/r	75/63/sh
Calcutta	91/75/s	97/76/s	98/74/s
Hong Kong	93/82/s	93/82/s	93/82/t
Johannesburg	64/41/s	64/44/s	67/42/pc
Mexico City	72/57/t	72/54/t	72/54/t
Moscow	72/52/c	70/55/c	69/54/r
Rio de Janeiro	68/58/pc	72/67/s	85/73/sh
Seoul	90/75/t	93/77/pc	95/79/pc
Sydney	75/50/s	75/52/s	68/50/s
Warsaw	73/51/pc	72/58/sh	76/63/sh

Sports Briefs

Run for the Rolls

Run for the Rolls celebrates its fifth year with two races on the same day. On Saturday, Aug. 27, Run for the Rolls will celebrate its fifth year of the 1 mile running/walking down the Chelsea Fair parade route at 12:45 p.m. But at 9 a.m. on Aug. 27, the "new" Run through the Fair 5K will take off. The Fair 5K is for participants that want more distance and the fun of the Fair experience since the course will be in and around the Chelsea Fair Grounds.

The 5K course was designed by the Chelsea High School Boys cross country team.

"We have been approached for a few years about a race with more distance and the fairgrounds was a good fun fit," said Cindy Triveline, one of the event's organizers.

Registered participants can compete in both races. The Overall Male/Female winners from both races will win the "I Ran the Fair for the Rolls Award," a dual-race award.

The second annual Bulldog Challenge, sponsored by Moore Pediatrics & Associates, is heating up again this year with \$100 going to the fastest Chelsea Middle School, High School or Club team program and don't forget the Travel Trophy, a piece of local art.

For more information, log onto www.runfortherolls.com.

Dexter golf outing

What: Dexter Touchdown Club is hosting the 3rd Annual "Dreadnaught Football Golf Outing"

Date: Saturday, Aug. 6
Where: Lake Forest Golf Course, Ann Arbor
Time: Check In at 7 a.m., Shotgun start at 8 a.m.
Cost: \$80 a person
Description: Four Man Scramble

Includes: Lunch, Dinner and opportunity to win fabulous prizes

For more information, contact Mike Kurcz at mkurcz@acidirect.com or (734) 564-9037.

Softball tryouts

The Hurricanes fast-pitch softball travel club is looking for players from all over the Washtenaw County area.

The successful team is holding tryouts in Dexter on Aug. 7 (2 to 5 p.m.) and Aug. 9 (5 to 8 p.m.) at Creekside school in Dexter. The club is looking for players in the 10-under, 12-under, 14-under and 16-under age groups. For more information, email hurricanesfastpitch@live.com.

Saline golf outing

The Saline Young Adult Program is hosting its third annual golf outing.

The event will be held on Friday, Aug. 19 at Brookside golf course, and will feature 18 holes of golf with a cart, catered dinner by Mac's Arcadian Seafood and as well as prizes, auctions and other games.

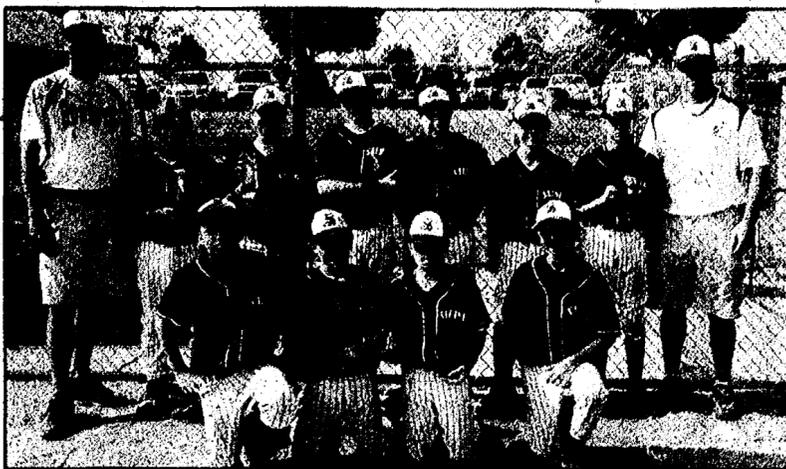
Proceeds from the event will go towards transportation costs for the SYAP as well as equipment and supplies.

The SYAP is able to provide special services

through Saline Community Education to students with special needs. The program features 52 students and aims to help them integrated into their community by helping with life skills and job skill training.

Committee member Kevin Musson said anyone can help with the event through Saline Community Education. Sponsorship for the event is also available.

The entry fee is \$60 per person, with the shotgun start slated for 1 p.m.



Homets take fourth at national event

The Saline Hornets U-11 Travel team (right) placed fourth in the United States Specialty USSSA Sports Association 2011 World Series AA. It was one of the hottest weeks, but the boys toughed it out and placed fourth out of 17 teams. The Hornets were only seeded 15th going into Saturday elimination play, but put on a show and won three straight to go to the finals. Saline lost in the semifinals, so they played for third place.

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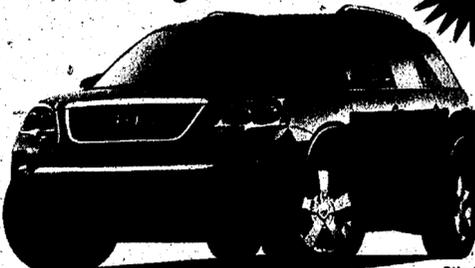


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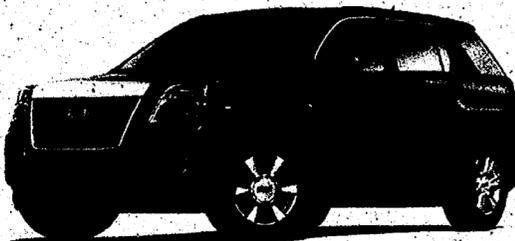


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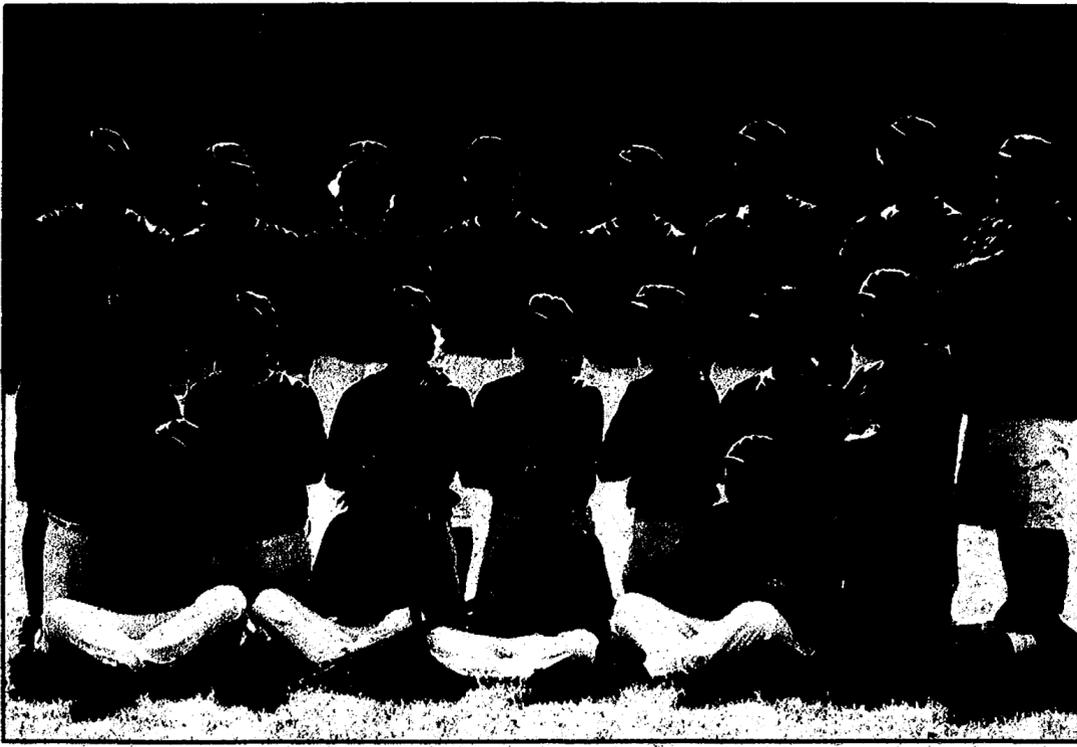
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The Chelsea Dawgs feature (front row, L-R) Jay Packard, Kyle Lucas, Kyle Stumbo, Paul Heck (middle row), Austin Collier, Ryan Easley, J.T. Scott, Evan Sweeny, Sam Almhiemid, Tim Johnson, coach Todd Ortbring (top row) coach Rory Kaiser, Mason Bailey, Travis Kaiser, Ben Whitesall, Scott Moore, Kolten Savery, Grant Ortbring and coach Leon Moore. Missing from photo is coach John Easley.

Student athletes need physicals

As the fall sports season approaches, the Chelsea Athletic Department is reminding students who plan to participate in sports that they must have a current physical on file. Physicals for the 2011-12 school year must have taken place on or after April 15, 2011. Also, the "Pay to Participate" fee will remain the same this year. This fee must also be turned in prior to the sport's first practice. Fees are as followed: High School Athletics: \$100 for unlimited sports \$10 for students on free or reduced lunch Middle School Athletics: \$50 for unlimited sports \$10 for students on free or reduced lunch High School: \$25 for unlimited involvement in activities \$5 for students on free or reduced lunch Family Cap Athletics and Activities: \$300 per family \$30 per family for students on free or reduced lunch

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Out with a rout! Dawgs finish winning season

The ICRL U-14 Chelsea Dawgs baseball team finished their season at Saline on Saturday with a 13-3 win against a very talented Saline all-star team. With this win, the Dawgs compiled an 11-9 record with 207 runs scored while only giving up 137. Several of the losses were by two runs or less that could have went either way. The Dawgs' coaching staff would like to thank the players, parents, Chelsea recreation and the sponsors for a very fun and memorable season. With what has become a tradition for the Dawg team, one final game will be played on Sunday. It will be a players versus parents game followed by a pizza party at Jet's Sport's Bar. The very well balanced Dawg team was led by a number of different play-

ers for each offensive category. Kolten Savery led the team with a .676 batting average and a .725 on base percentage. Savery also had one homerun, one triple and one double. Grant Ortbring led with twelve extra base hits and seven doubles along with one homerun and four triples. Mason Bailey led with five triples and 23 RBI's along with one homerun and three doubles. J.T. Scott led with two homeruns and also contributed two triples and two doubles. Scott Moore led with 28 total hits including one triple and four doubles. Sam Almhiemid led with 24 runs scored and 16 walks along with one triple and four doubles. Also contributing to the Dawg offense was Ben Whitesall with 18 hits including one homerun, one triple and five

doubles. Ryan Easley had 17 hits including three doubles and Tim Johnson had 13 hits including two doubles. Ten different players combined their efforts on the mound for the Dawg team. Ortbring led with 37 innings pitched and 90 strikeouts. Savery worked 27 2/3 innings striking out 56. Bailey pitched 10 2/3 innings and struck out 14. Travis Kaiser led the team with a 1.58 ERA for 13 1/3 innings pitched while striking out 21. Jay Packard was second with a 3.15 ERA for 6 2/3 innings pitched with 12 strikeouts and Ryan Easley was third with a 4.84 ERA for 8 2/3 innings pitched while striking out five. J.T. Scott, Paul Heck, Sam Almhiemid and Scott Moore also contributed some innings for their team.

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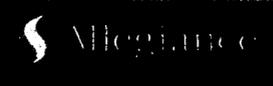


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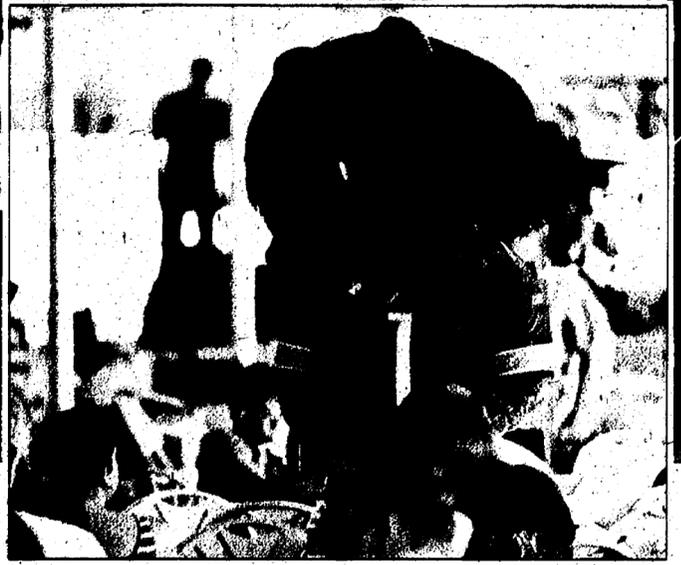


COMMUNITY

July 10 - Thursday, August 11



Blues Brothers tribute band The Soul Men perform under the social tent.



Detroit Lions mascot Roary made surprise appearance at the social tent.

A festival of Sounds & Sights



The Chelsea House Orchestra kicked off the beginning of the Sounds & Sights Festival on the library's lawn Thursday, July 28.



Guitarist George Merkel of the Ben Daniels Band plays Thursday night with Kelen Percha on drums. The group kicked off the festival in the social tent.



The Chelsea Area Fire Authority brought around a fire truck for kids to check out during the festival.



Fifty Amp Fuse packed the dance floor during the final night of the Sounds & Sights Festival on July 31.

The Saturday car show attracted droves of enthusiasts from far and wide.



Photos by Burrill Strong

ENTERTAINMENT

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Thursday, August 4, 2011

Purple Rose to kick off 21st season

'Escanaba in Da Moonlight' revival starts run of shows

The Purple Rose Theatre Co. will begin its 21st season with a revival of "Escanaba in Da Moonlight" by Jeff Daniels, followed by "A Stone Carver" by William Mastrosimone, "White Buffalo" by Don Zolidis and "On Golden Pond" by Ernest Thompson.

Eight previews will start each run, followed by press opening night during the second week of each engagement.

Regular performances for each show are at 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

All performances will be held at The Purple Rose Theatre Co., 137 Park St., in Chelsea.

"Escanaba in Da Moonlight" by Jeff Daniels premiered at the Purple Rose in 1996 and was subsequently produced in 1997, setting record attendance numbers for the company.

The comedy will feature original cast members Wayne David Parker as Jimmer Negamane and Jim Porterfield as Albert Soady.

Set on the eve of the opening day of deer season, Reuben Soady is hoping to get his shot and shed the mantle of "the buckless yooper."

But before dawn approaches, a series of weird occurrences and crazy locals will threaten Reuben's

ultimate goal. Will he bag the buck or go down in family history as a failure?

"Escanaba in Da Moonlight" will run for 13 weeks, Sept. 22 through Dec. 17.

"A Stone Carver," is a comedy that centers on Agostino, a retired stonemason who is being evicted from his home to make space for a highway. When he barricades himself in the house, his son Raff must convince him to leave the house and all the memories attached to it.

A touching tribute to fathers and sons, "A Stone Carver" will feature Purple Rose artistic director Guy Sanville as Agostino in an eight-week engagement from Jan. 19 to March 10, 2012.

"White Buffalo" by Don Zolidis is the recipient of a 2011 Edgerton Foundation New American Play Award and winner of the 2004 Princess Grace Award for Playwriting.

Based on actual events, the play tells the story of a white buffalo calf born on a small farm in southern

Wisconsin, heralding a Sioux prophecy of peace on earth and unity to all mankind.

The farm quickly becomes a hotbed of spiritual outpouring beyond the scope of the Gelling family's small town life.

When a mysterious businessman offers to buy the calf, Carol must decide

whether the calf signals the end of her hardships or the beginning of her enrichment.

The play's professional world premiere will begin March 29 and run through June 2, 2012 for a 10-week run.

"On Golden Pond" by Ernest Thompson follows Ethel and Norman Thayer as they return to their summer home in Maine.

Their respite is interrupted by the unexpected arrival of their estranged daughter, her fiancé and his teenage son.

Over the course of the summer, an unlikely friendship develops between Norman and the boy, which sparks a renewed zest for life in the Thayer family. In the twilight years of marriage, Ethel and Norman rediscover the joy and romance of everyday living.

Featuring Jan Radcliff and former artistic director and founder of the Boarshead Theatre, John Peakes, "On Golden Pond" will run for 11 weeks from June 21 through Sept. 1, 2012.

Tickets for groups of 12 or more are available for the entire season now, and donors can purchase tickets approximately two months before each show opens with tickets going on sale to the general public two weeks later.

Ticket reservations can be made by calling The Purple Rose Theatre Company Box Office at 433-7673. Tickets will also be available for sale at www.purplerosetheatre.org.



The Purple Rose Theatre Co. will begin its 21st season with a revival of "Escanaba in Da Moonlight."

LIVE MUSIC CALENDAR

■ The Ark
316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor
Telephone: 761-1451
Website: http://theark.org
Thursday: The Steel
Wheels, 8 p.m., \$15,
Americana, alt country
Friday: Bruce Robison and
Kelly Willis, 8 p.m., \$20,
Americana, alt country, coun-
try, rockabilly
Saturday: Riverfolk Festival
Finale Concert with Bob
Black and His Bluegrass
Boys and Al Berard &
Friends, 7 p.m., \$20, blue-
grass, newgrass, Zydeco,
Cajun
Sunday: Jan Krist & Jim
Bizer, 7:30 p.m., \$15, con-
temporary songwriters and
groups, local, regional
Monday: The Outside
Track, 8 p.m., \$15, Celtic,
British Isles English,
Canadian, Australian
Tuesday: The Persuasions,
8 p.m., \$25, soul, R&B

Wednesday: Taj Mahal Trio
& The Luke Winslow-King
Trio, 8 p.m., \$49.50, blues,
legends
■ The Blind Pig
208 S. First St.
Telephone: 996-8555
Website: www.blindpigmu-
sic.com
Thursday: Graders, with
Jehovah's Witness Protection
Program, Lawless Carver,
Motorcycle Awesome, \$5/
under 21, \$8, 18 and over,
9:30 p.m.
Friday: Ann Arbor Soul
Club, with DJs Brad Hales
and Robert Wells, \$5/under
21, \$8, 18 and over, 9:30
p.m.
Saturday: Skeleton Birds
CD release party, with Chris
Bathgate, and The Boys
Themselves, \$7/under 21,
\$10, 18 and over, 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Matt G., with
5 Ela, 87, Magnum Opus,
A.P., Donnie Destro, and M

Select, \$8/under 21, \$11, 18
and over, 8 p.m.
■ Cavern Club
Four clubs in one at 210 S.
First St.
Telephone: 332-9900
Website: www.cavern-
clubannarbor.com
■ Conor O'Neill's
318 S. Main St.
Telephone: 665-2968
Website: www.conoroneills.
com
Thursday: Jiva - acoustic,
set, 9:30 p.m.
Friday: DJ Matt Styles, 10
p.m. to 2 a.m.
Saturday: Parkside Wes,
9:30 p.m.
Sunday: Traditional Irish
Session, 7 to 10 p.m.
Monday: Pub Trivia with
Barry Aherne, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Restaurant
Appreciation Night
Wednesday: Music Trivia
with Barry Aherne
■ Crazy Wisdom Tee

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dom.net
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THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA
■ "Dungeons & Dragons"
5:30 p.m. Thursdays.
Chelsea District Library, 221
S. Main St. Free. 475-8732.
■ "Consider the Oyster"
8 p.m. Wednesdays
through Saturdays, 3 p.m.
Wednesdays and Saturdays,
2 p.m. Sundays: Purple Rose
Theatre, 137 Park St.,
Chelsea. Visit purplerosethe-
atre.org or call 433-7673.
**■ Sounds and Sights on
Thursday Nights**
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Thursday: Downtown
Chelsea. Free. 475-1145.
■ Movies at the Center
12:30 p.m. Friday:
Chelsea Senior Center, 512
Washington St. Free, but
donations accepted. 475-
9242.
**■ Guided Tours:
Waterloo Area Farm
Museum**
11 to 5 p.m. Friday and
Sunday: 13493 Waterloo-
Munith Road. \$4 (age 62
and older, \$3; ages 5
through 17, \$2; ages 4 and
younger and members,
free). 1-517-596-2254.
■ Chelsea Chess Club
3 p.m. Saturday: Wendy's,
1640 Commerce Park Drive.

Free. 475-1583.
**■ Chelsea Teddy Bear
Co.**
11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m.
Saturday: Group tours. 400
N. Main St. Free. 433-5499.
**■ Chelsea Farmers'
Market**
8 a.m. to noon Saturday.
Park Street.
**■ Friends of McKune
Mystery Book Club**
7 p.m. Monday:
Breakaway Restaurant,
Arctic Coliseum, 501
Coliseum Drive. Free. 475-
7035.
**■ Spanish Language
Conversation Group**
6:30 p.m. Wednesday:
Chelsea District Library, 221
S. Main St. Free. 475-8732.
DEXTER
■ Ice Cream Social
4 to 8 p.m. Thursday: St.
Andrew's United Church of
Christ, 7610 Ann Arbor St.
Free admission. 426-8610.
■ "Travels in Africa"
6:30 p.m. Thursday:
Dexter District Library, 3255
Alpine St. Free. 426-4477.
**■ Summer Reading
Program Wrap-Up Party**
11 a.m. Friday: Dexter
District Library, 3255 Alpine
St. Free. 426-4477.

**■ Summer Concert
Series**
6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday-
Monument Park gazebo,
downtown. Free. 426-0887.
**■ Draw Doubles 101
Disc Golf**
Noon Saturday: Hudson
Mills Metropark Activity
Center, 8801 North Territorial
Road. (\$7 per player; free for
spectators. \$5 vehicle
entrance fee. 449-4300.
**■ Great Lakes Discraft
Open**
9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sunday: Hudson Mills
Metropark Activity Center,
8801 North Territorial Road.
\$55 entry fee; free to specta-
tors. \$5 vehicle fee. A3disc.
org. 1-517-304-8288.
**■ Exotic Bird Exhibition:
Ann Arbor Companion Bird
Club**
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday:
Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson
Road. \$3 (younger than age
12, free). 545-5282.
**■ "Somewhere in Time"
Book Discussion Group**
7 p.m. Monday: Dexter
District Library, 3255 Alpine
St. Free. Pre-register at 426-
4477.

SALINE
■ Saline's Summerfest
5 to 11 p.m. Friday, 7:30
a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday,
downtown Saline. Free
admission. 429-7429.
■ Pittsfield Open Band
3 to 6 p.m. Saturday:
Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann
Arbor-Saline Road. Free.
994-9307.
**■ Drum 4 Wellness
Circle**
7:30 p.m. Saturday:
Interfaith Center for Spiritual
Growth, 704 Airport Blvd. \$5
suggested donation. 480-
1219.
■ First Saturday Contra
8 p.m. Saturday: Pittsfield
Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-
Saline Road. \$10 (members:
\$9, students, \$5). 769-1052.
**■ Horse Show: Spur of
the Moment Club**
8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday:
Races and games begin 3
p.m. Washtenaw Farm
Council Grounds, 5055 Ann
Arbor-Saline Road. Free
admission. 645-4918.
**■ Savory Pies:
Preserving Traditions**
2 p.m. Sunday: Pittsfield
Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-
Saline Road. \$5 (members
free). Pre-register at preserv-
ingtraditions.eventbrite.com.

**■ Tour: Zingerman's
Creamery**
2 p.m. Sunday: 3723 Plaza
Drive. \$5 (includes a \$5 cou-
pon). 929-0500.
■ Euchre
7 p.m. Tuesday: American
Legion, 320 W. Michigan
Ave. \$5. 429-7310.
**■ "The Yellow Yacht"
Chapter Champs Book
Discussion Group**
2 p.m. Tuesday: Saline
District Library, 555 N. Maple
Road. Free. Pre-register at
429-5450.
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**■ Crossroads Summer
Festival**
6 to 10 p.m. Friday:
Washington Street, at
Michigan Avenue. Free. 717-
7305.
**■ Michigan Roots
Jamboree**
3 p.m. to midnight Friday,
10 a.m. to midnight
Saturday: Riverside Park,
Depot Town. \$20 per day
(weekend day pass, \$40) at
rootsjamboree.com and at
the gate. \$50 weekend pass
includes camping. Children
younger than 12 admitted for
free. 846-5933.
**■ Family Campout:
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Commission
Friday night through 6
p.m. Sunday morning,
Rolling Hills County Park,
7660 Stony Creek Road. Pre-
registration required. \$15 per
tent, \$5 vehicle fee. 484-
9676, ext. 6.
■ Puppet Show
3:30 p.m. Sunday:
Dreamland Theatre, 26 N.
Washington St. \$5 (age 3
and younger admitted for
free). 657-2337.
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7 p.m. Monday through
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and at the door. 358-2100.
■ Tour: Wild Ones
6:45 p.m. Tuesday. 8387
Ford Road, Ypsilanti. Free.
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MANCHESTER
**■ Dance Party in the
Park: Riverfolk Music and
Arts Festival**
7 p.m. Friday: Carr Park,
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, August 4

The Chelsea Senior Center hosts an Age-ing to Sage-ing class at 10 a.m. The Chelsea District Library hosts Dungeons & Dragons Weekly Gaming Night at 3:30 p.m. Sounds & Sights continues tonight at 6:30 p.m. with Dorkestra (jazz at the library); jen & the Koppins (Americana at the South Street tent); 3 Generations Entertainment (balloons at Winan's Alley); Fred Van Reesma (acoustic pop/rock at East Alley); The Bonfire Poets (adult alt rock at East Middle); The Afternoon Round (country rock at the Total Fitness Lot); Scenic Route (rock at the Sylvan Courtyard); Billy Brandt & Sarana VerLin (Celtic and Americana at the Glazier Building); The Bluescasters (blues at the Clocktower Gazebo); The Josh & Roy Show (kids' variety show at the Clocktower Courtyard); and the SRSly Cinema movie "Marley and Me," rated PG. To wrap up the adult Summer Reading Program, the Jackson family will present "Travels in Africa" with some exchange students visiting from the Africa at the Dexter District Library at 6:30 p.m. The group will discuss several countries within the second largest and second most populated continent on the world.

Friday, August 5

The Chelsea Senior Center and the Chelsea District Library partner for Great Books at CSC at 1 p.m. at the senior center. The book for August is "The Boy who Harnessed the Wind" by William Kamkwamba. Reserved copies are available on the second floor reference desk of the library. To wrap up the kids' Summer Reading Program, the Dexter District Library will have a Wrap-Up Party at 11 a.m. featuring Bevy Meyer, "The Music Lady," followed by The Roving Balloon Meister, who will make balloon animals for everyone. Refreshments will be served following the program. Any child who has met their reading goal can pick up a book bag full of surprises until Aug. 12 and enter for the grand prize drawing. The Dexter District Library will host a Murder Mystery Party and Dinner at 6:30 p.m. for all teens who participated in the library's Summer Reading Program. Registration is required.

Saturday, August 6

The Friends of the Chelsea District Library host its monthly meeting at 10:15 a.m. on the second floor of the library. The public is welcome to attend.

Monday, August 8

Join the Somewhere in Time History Book Club for Adults at the Dexter District Library at 7 p.m. The club will discuss "The Unthinkable: Who Survives When Disaster Strikes and Why?" by Amanda Ripley. Registration is required. The Friends Mystery

Book Club meets at 7 p.m. at the Arctic Breakaway. The August book series is Kate Atkinson, Jackson Brodie Series.

Tuesday, August 9

The Chelsea Senior Center hosts Foot Care by appointment, starting at 9 a.m. Learn Microsoft Word 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Dexter District Library. This program will teach participants who to use "the ribbon," how to download and use document templates and much more. Registration is required. The Dexter Senior Center hosts A Matter of Balance, a class on managing concerns about falling, at 10:30 a.m. There is a suggested donation of \$15 per person and \$15 for nonmembers for this two-hour class. The Chelsea Senior Center hosts A Matter of Balance at 1 p.m. The Dexter Senior Center will have a Retreat for the Feet at 1 p.m. with Barb Fisher, a certified reflexologist and a naturopathic therapist and educator. The retreat will cost \$10 for every 15 minutes for members and \$15 for nonmembers. Please schedule an appointment by calling 426-7737. The Chelsea District Library will host a Teen Playwriting Intensive with the Purple Rose Theatre at 2 p.m. Students entering sixth through 12th grade in the fall will have the chance to explore the art of playwriting, including the basic rules of dramatic structure through the use of writing exercises to create monologues, scenes and the beginnings of a short play. The workshop will feature discussions, table readings and peer feedback. A concert reading of the students' work will take place for the general public from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 13. The instructors for this class are PRTC residents Michelle Mountain and Heidi Bennett. Students are expected to attend all four sessions. Registration is required.

Wednesday, August 10

The Chelsea Senior Center will have a cooking demonstration for eating well with Peter di Lorenzi at 11 a.m. Join the Chelsea District Library for a screening of a new documentary by Ronald F. Maxwell, called "Lincoln & Lee at Antietam: The Cost of Freedom" at 6 p.m. Civil War re-enactor George Till participated in the documentary's re-enactment footage and will provide commentary and answer questions about the film after the viewing. The Chelsea District Library hosts a Spanish Language Conversation Group at 6:30 p.m. All skill levels are welcome to attend.

Thursday, August 11

Learn Microsoft Word 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Dexter District Library. This program will teach participants who to use "the ribbon," how to download and use document templates and

much more. Registration is required.

The Chelsea Senior Center hosts an Age-ing to Sage-ing class at 10 a.m. Help paint the Chelsea District Library's Derby Car, which will be driven in the Chelsea Fair's Demolition Derby by none other than Kim Potocki, winner of the 2006 and 2008 Feature Demo Derby. The library staff will draw names from those in attendance for the privilege of handpainting the car at 2 p.m. on the library lawn. The Chelsea District Library hosts Dungeons & Dragons Weekly Gaming Night at 3:30 p.m. Sounds & Sights continues at 6:30 p.m. tonight with Tripp 'n' Dixie (rock at the library); Annie & Rod Capps (folk/country at the South Street Tent); 3 Generations Entertainment (Balloons at Winan's Alley); The Potter's Field (Americana at East Alley); Creole du Nord (Zydeco at East Middle); Delirious Love (Rock at the Total Fitness Lot); Letha Allen & The Benders (Bluegrass at the Sylvan Courtyard); The Shelter Dogs (Lounge-a-billy at the Glazier Building); Jammin' Grammas (Traditional/Folk at the Clocktower Gazebo); Boyer the Magic Guy at the Clocktower Courtyard; and the SRSly Cinema movie "Mrs. Doubtfire," rated PG-13, at dusk.

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. Barb Marr will lead a Friday Fitness class from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. during August at the Dexter Senior Center. This is a drop-in class and the cost is \$3 for members (\$5 for non-members).

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 non-account holders to have loose coins counted free of charge at the TCF Bank in downtown Dexter.

"Around Town with Linda"

"Around Town with Linda" will feature Michelle McCarthy, therapy dog trainer and volunteer.

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.

Sign up for Heritage's e-newsletter

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

Silver Maples seeks artists for Harvest Art Market

Calling all artists! Silver Maples has opened up the application process for all artists who wish to have a booth at the annual Harvest Art Market on Oct. 1. We again will be looking to offer a variety of mediums and price range. The fourth annual show will feature more than 20 artists and crafters showing watercolor, folk art, pottery, fiber arts, glass works, original photography, vintage art and more. Our goal is provide a nice "market-mix" of art. We're looking for basket makers, jewelers, potters, fiber artists, photographers, folk artists, wood workers and more! Artists interested in demonstrating their work are encouraged. The show also features live entertainment and a bake sale of some of the best cookies, cakes, pies and breads around. Applications are due by Aug. 13 and may be downloaded at http://www.silvermaples.org/pdf/harvestartmarketapplication2011web.pdf. For more information, contact Shawn Personke at

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personke@silvermaples.org.

Friends will host Dexter Daze book sale

The Friends of the Library will have book sale and \$3 bag of books sale during Dexter Daze Saturday, Aug. 13. The sale regular sale will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. with prices ranging from 25 cents to \$2.

The bag sale will be from 3 to 4:30 p.m., and book lovers will have a chance to fill a bag with books for just \$3 per bag. The bags will be supplied by the Friends group. The Dexter District Library is located at 3255 Alpine St. For more information, call the library at 426-4477.

Chelsea Community Preschool has openings

Chelsea Community Preschool is still accept-

ing students for the 2011-12 school year.

The preschool is located at 500 Washington St. Classes are offered for 3-, 4- and 5-year olds in the mornings or afternoons. For more information contact Kris at 734-433-2208, ext. 6001.

Jewelry, purse donations needed

The Dexter Senior Center is collecting jewelry for its fall sale. This year the center is adding purses/handbags to this sale. So, if you have any jewelry or purses/handbags that you would like to donate, the center would love to take them off your hands. If you have any questions, please contact Kim at 426-7737.

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

ALI to hold 20 classes

By Sheila Purglove
Special Writer

The Adult Learners Institute will hold a kick off for the fall semester 10 a.m. to noon Aug. 18 at Silver Maples of Chelsea.

ALI teachers will speak about their classes, volunteers will answer questions and help fill out forms and refreshments will be served. "ALI is a great partner and great resource for the area," said Shawn Personke, activities director at Silver Maples. "I'm always amazed at the breadth and depth of the classes they offer, as well as the enthusiasm of the ALI board members and instructors."

ALI, a Lifelong Learning Institute affiliated with the Elderhostel Institute Network, provides community-based learning experiences in western Washtenaw County. Programs, conducted in cooperation with Washtenaw Community College are held in Chelsea and Dexter.

Mary Ann and Jack Merkel have been involved since its launch in 2004, as students and board members.

"I've seen ALI grow in enrollment and the number and variety of courses," Mary Ann Merkel said. "I've also observed how much joy it has provided for so many people from all around the area."

"The program is geared for retired people with a variety of interests. It brings longtime residents and newcomers together in a way that forms new friendships and interests plus community involvement."

Chelsea resident and retired naturalist Tom Hodgson will teach "Herons, Eagles and Alligators, Oh My!" and show images and share stories of birds, mammals and reptiles he has encountered while paddling Florida's rivers, lakes and estuaries with camera in hand.

Hodgson is involved with several nonprofits, including The Jackson Audubon Society, Haehnle Audubon Sanctuary and Waterloo Natural History Association.

"I've done several classes for ALI including one about Sandhill Cranes, a wildflower walk through the Nah Weston Preserve and a program entitled Exploring the Florida Peninsula," he said.

If music is your thing, ALI will also offer Ken Kozora's "Appreciating Music (Even the Weird Kind!)" where he will demonstrate the d'jembe, dumbek, frame drum, dang, bamboo flutes, singing bowls, and the synthesizer, electronic percussion, wind synthesizer and sequencer.

If pipe organs are a fascination, then join Kyle Webber, director of music ministries at First United

Methodist Church in Chelsea, for "What do you know about pipes?" and experience the different pipes of the organ and hear the instrument played on the two manual Zimmer organs at the church.

If musical theater is a passion, explore this with the presentation of four films: "Gypsy," "Yeoman of the Guard," "Aida" and "Company" along with a discussion with Angelo Angelocci of the Dexter Community Players; Bob Southgate who presents musical programs for Elderwise in Ann Arbor; and Chelsea resident Chris Lehehan who sings, plays the cello, and serves on the Board of the Chelsea Chamber Players.

ALI will also offer Susan Nenadic's class, "Shakespeare Authorship Controversy: Have We Been Played?" The class will explore Shakespeare's work and discuss the ongoing debate of whether he wrote it. Nenadic, who taught for 27 years at Saline High School, is on the Board of the Washtenaw County Historical Society and is chair of exhibitions at the Museum on Main Street.

Those who enjoy visual arts can sign up for art historian Nancy Nilsson's "Journeys Through Western Civilization: More High Renaissance Art and a Taste of Mannerist Art." Nilsson, who has been teaching arts and humanities for nearly 40

years, is a guest lecturer for the Detroit Institute of Arts. Rick and Deb Zuccarini, who have created, repaired and taught art for more than 30 years, will teach "WPA Art: Defining America," about the Works Progress Administration and arts-the government sponsored during the Great Depression.

For the home tinkerer and money-wise, Mike Kizer's "Basic Home Repairs and Maintenance" will be available through ALI.

Kizer will discuss basic plumbing, electrical panels, cleaning dryer vents, changing a furnace filter, checking a humidifier/dehumidifier, basic household tools and more.

Speaking of money, history buff Bill Allen, will teach "Coins and Paper Money," and bring along a rare \$1 gold coin, \$35 "Continental" note issued during the Revolutionary War, Wildcat bank notes, Civil War "greenbacks," Confederate currency, and 19th century "blanket" notes.

Also on a Civil War theme, Tom Collier will teach "Destruction and Reconstruction: 1865-1877," and discuss Federal and local efforts through the disputed presidential election of 1876 and the "Corrupt Bargain" of 1877.

Ed Riske, who was photo editor for his college newspaper and yearbook, will share his passion in "Introduction to Digital Photography."

For sports buffs, there will



Adult Learners Institute instructor Tom Hodgson leads a class on a nature walk.

be a class called "History of Sports through Artifacts," with Erik Pederson, who will focus on baseball, basketball, football, racquet ball, golf and more.

Chef Craig Common, owner of the Common Grill, invites attendees to a "Wine and Appetizer Tasting" where he will talk about how he began his landmark restaurant, and about writing his cookbooks.

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FARMERS MARKET FEATURE

Artisan sells Native American-inspired work

By Krista Gjestland
Special Writer

Anyone who has made the trip to the Chelsea Farmers Market knows that every Saturday the market is packed with vendors selling a whole lot more than produce. Many artisan crafters also call the market home.

Joan Hutchinson of Fairview Studios is one of those artisan crafters.

Hutchinson designs and hand makes what she calls Earthwork crafts. Her all-natural products include wreaths, medicine wheels, fans, smudge and other decorative pieces. She began crafting these products 20 years ago.

"I started finding feathers after my son died," she said. Hutchinson, an avid

runner, began collecting feathers she found during her runs.

"I started collecting, and by the end of the summer, I had two shoeboxes full," she said.

Soon after, Hutchinson saw a book called "Medicine Wheel" that included a design she had dreamed about on the cover.

After reading the book, which was based on a type of horoscope of a tribe of Pacific Northwest Native Americans, she began designing her own creations.

"It was so intuitively true to me," she said.

Although her creations are somewhat inspired by Native American traditions and cultures, Hutchinson is quick to point out that she is not Native American.

"We've ripped them off enough," she remarked.

Hutchinson says her products are more about spreading cultural understanding and positivity than any one tradition.

"It's a very positive thing," she said. "It's about getting people to learn about other cultures."

She also notes that people are really responsive to her products.

"When I start talking about it, it's like a light goes on," Hutchinson said. "Now more and more people are smudging."

Smudging is a Native American tradition of burning a small bundle of dried herbs for various effects. One of the most popular herbs to burn is sage, which is often regarded as having a cleansing effect.

Hutchinson sells several types of smudge including sage, lavender and sweetgrass for \$2 each.

Many of her products include feathers that are either found or donated. She does use the feathers of some endangered birds, if they are found. For products made with endangered bird feather, Hutchinson only asks for a donation to Michigan wildlife charities.

Her products range in price from \$2 to about \$35 for a large wreath. She also has medicine wheels, which resemble dreamcatchers, for \$12 and \$25, depending on the size.

Hutchinson said the purpose of her products is to enhance people's lives. Each piece is tailored to have a different effect. Some are made to encourage creativ-



Photo by Krista Gjestland.

Joan Hutchinson stands behind her booth, Affirmations, during the farmers market earlier this year.

ity, while others help with focus.

"The idea is to put them someplace where you see them often and remember that meaning," she said. "You're more apt to act mindfully seeing it every

day." Hutchinson sells her products at the Chelsea Farmers Market each week, and moves to the Dexter Farmers Market when the weather is bad.

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For a completely different take on food, catch "The Bible as a Food Guide," where Yael Dolev, who has more than 25 years of experience in agriculture and conservation as a researcher, professional food industry magazine editor and farmer, will explore biblical foods and rules of cooking.

Other classes include: "Introduction to Physics," with Charlie Taylor, formerly a research scientist with Parke-Davis/Pfizer in Ann Arbor; "One Potato, Two Potatoes, Three Potatoes, Four," a fun-filled, hands-

on session about the history, geography, and social influence of this popular crop led by David Mastie; and "Search for Causes of Birth Defects," with Jim Schardein, who had one of the first laboratories for testing newly discovered drugs for birth defects.

"Having planned industry events for many years, I appreciate the dedication, time commitment and organizational skills required to offer about 20 quality courses each semester," ALI participant Susan Cross said. "ALI, run exclusively by volunteers, does an outstanding job of providing an enjoyable learning experience to senior students in Chelsea and the surround-

ing communities. "The art and art history classes I've taken are on par with those I experienced as an undergrad - with no exams!"

For more information, visit www.adultlearnersinstitute.org, call 433-1000, ext. 7358 or e-mail info@adultlearnersinstitute.org.

Catalogs are available at the Chelsea Senior Center, the front desk at the Chelsea Retirement Community and Silver Maples, Chelsea District Library and the Triplet Building at the CRC.

A scholarship program is available; call 475-2739 or email info@AdultLearnersInstitute.org.

NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS
FREY-FITZSIMMONS DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that special assessment amounts, computation and the apportionment of costs for maintenance of the Frey-Fitzsimmons Drain will be available for review Friday, August 19, 2011 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, 705 North Zeeb Road, Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Drain assessments against land will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If drain assessments against land are collected by installment, the landowner may pay the assessments in full with any interest to date at any time and thereby avoid further interest charges. This special assessment will appear on the 2011 winter taxes for the several parcels of land to be assessed as described below.

Table listing parcel numbers and assessment details for the Frey-Fitzsimmons Drain Drainage District. Columns include parcel ID, assessment amount, and other relevant data.

In addition to the following entities will be assessed at large:

- County of Washtenaw (for benefit to county roads)
- Township of Lima
- Township of Leoni
- Township of Sibley
- Township of Freedom

Therefore, all owners, municipalities and other interested parties are hereby notified that at the time and place noted above or at such other time and place to which said day of review may be adjourned, the apportionment for benefits, tentative apportionments against parcels and municipalities within the Frey-Fitzsimmons Drain Special Assessment District, along with the computation of costs for the said Drain will be subject to review.

The owner of any land in the special assessment district of any city, village, township, district or county who may disagree with the apportionment of benefits may appeal the apportionment within 10 days after this day of review of apportionments by making an application to the Washtenaw County Probate Court for appointment of a Board of Review, as provided in Section 155 of the Michigan Drain Code (Act 40 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended).

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

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the WCWRC at 734.222.6860. The County of Washtenaw will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with special needs at the meeting upon 7 days' notice to the County of Washtenaw. Individuals with special needs requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the County of Washtenaw by writing or calling, Washtenaw County Human Resources, 220 North Main Street, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48107-8645, 734.222.6800 or TDD (734) 994-1733.

Date: August 4, 2011

Janis A. Bobrin
Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner

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NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS
GROVES AND HORSESHOE LAKE DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that special assessment amounts, computation and the apportionment of costs for maintenance of the Groves and Horseshoe Lake Drain will be available for review Thursday, August 18, 2011 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, 705 North Zeeb Road, Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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300-mile Make-a-Wish ride ends in Chelsea

By Krista Gjestland
Special Writer

The 24th annual Wish-a-Mile Bicycle Tour came to a close at the Chelsea Community Fairgrounds Sunday, raising \$1.8 for the Michigan chapter of the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

The 900 participating riders began their three-day journey 300 miles away in Traverse City and ended with the Heroes Hurrah Celebration. At the celebration, riders met with the wish child they've been partnered with to receive a medal.

Those riders who couldn't make the 300-mile journey elected to do a 50-mile route around the city of Chelsea Sunday.

"These riders are incredibly passionate for our kids," said Karen Davis, president and CEO of Michigan Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Davis, 44, has been involved with the foundation for 19 years.

"I was newly out of college," she said. "The opportunity to work with children and for children is a rewarding thing to be able to do."

WAM, as the event is called among participants, exclusively benefits children in Michigan who are a part of Make-a-Wish. To

be eligible, children must be between 2 and a half years old and 18 years old and have a life-threatening medical condition.

Many of the children have some form of cancer, Michael Pettibone said.

Pettibone, 61, is the vice chairman of the board of directors and has been with Make-a-Wish for 14 years.

"I started as a volunteer," he said. "I wanted to work with kids, and I became a wish granter."

A wish granter is someone who sits down families to help decide on a wish that can be granted.

The wishes are unique to each child, said Pettibone.

"We do everything from puppies to playhouses to trips to Disney," he said.

According to Davis, the average cost to grant a child's wish is \$5,000.

Eleven-year-old Bailey Dunsmore was granted his wish to go to Walt Disney World in 2007. Dunsmore was diagnosed with a form of epilepsy at 1-year-old. This year, he attended his fifth Heroes Hurrah with his mother, Collette Richards, and his rider, Mark MacArthur.

MacArthur, 51, has been riding in WAM for nine years.

"I heard about it from some friends and decided it was a great cause," MacArthur said.

MacArthur and the rest of his team have inspired younger generations to ride as well.

Stefan Lott, 13, has been following his father as he's ridden the WAM for 13 years.

"Next year will be my first year riding," Lott said proudly.

According to Davis, more than 450 Michigan children are eligible for Make-a-Wish and 400 were able to have their wishes granted last year.

Davis believes that, although it can be emotionally difficult, helping these children is worth it.

"Unfortunately there are also children who don't survive," she said. "It's emotional, but it's certainly our privilege."

Pettibone agreed, saying the children he has worked with often inspired him.

"You get very emotionally attached," he said. "The joy is so big, so enormous — it outweighs everything else. These kids are brave beyond words."

Pettibone is also touched by the generosity of his fellow Michiganders.

"We all know Michigan's economy has been ravaged," he said. "These riders have brought in this amount of money — it's a tribute to the compassion of the people in Michigan."

Davis is already busy planning next year's Wish-a-Mile, which will be July 26-29. Registration opens on Sept. 1. For more information on the Michigan Make-a-Wish Foundation or Wish-a-Mile, visit wish-mich.org.



Photos by Krista Gjestland
A group of riders cross the finish line Saturday after completing the 300-mile journey from Traverse City to raise money for the Michigan Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Below, Bailey Dunsmore (center) poses with two riders, Mark MacArthur, (left), Paul MacArthur and Stefan Lott, a supporter of the bicycle team.



ADVERTORIAL C/S Hearing

C/S Hearing in Chelsea is owned by Rick and Joni Benson. Rick has over 20 years of experience in the hearing aid business. He is licensed by the state of Michigan as a hearing aid dealer and is a national board hearing certified hearing specialist.

He is a member of the International Hearing Aid Society and is the past president of the Michigan Hearing Aid Society. He is also a member of the board of directors for the Mid-America Conference on Hearing and the current president of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce.

At C/S Hearing customer service is a top priority. When you visit C/S Hearing you are dealing with the owners. Rick regularly visits both the Chelsea Retirement Community and Silver Maples in Chelsea and visits the Dexter and Saline Senior Centers when requested.

Joni is the Patient Care Coordinator; she can help you with insurance questions, finance options and arranging your appointments. Appointments can usually be made within a day or two. House calls may also be arranged when needed.

C/S Hearing is currently featuring the AMP for just \$750 each. You may be having trouble hearing what people are saying - or are starting to miss out on sounds you once heard - but you're not sure you're ready to wear a hearing aid yet, especially one that people can see. That's what makes you ready to AMP. New AMP fits snugly in your ear canal, so no one but you will know it's there. It's comfortable, removable, and usually ready to wear in a single visit. Better yet, AMP's small size and ear canal placement take advantage of your ear's natural acoustics for a sound quality you need to hear to believe.

Are you having trouble hearing your TV? Starkey's new Wi Series can stream stereo sound directly from your TV, stereo or computer to your hearing aids, just like headphones. Now you can hear your TV or radio as loud as you want directly through your hearing aids, while those around you can listen at the volume that's most comfortable for them.

Loaded with Starkey's most cutting-edge technology, Wi Series hearing aids are designed to make listening easy and enjoyable again. It features our latest noise reduction and speech preservation system, which is designed to deliver more clarity, even in noisy environments. Voice IQ is just one of the great features in Starkey's best selling Wi Series hearing aid line, which is known for delivering superior patient performance, comfort and personalization.

Call Rick and Joni today at 734-385-4141 or visit their website at www.cshearingchelsea.com to learn more about the AMP or the Wi Series.

C/S Hearing is located at 134 W. Middle St. in Suite A in Chelsea.

NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS PORTAGE-BASELINE LAKE LEVEL DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that special assessment amounts, computation and the apportionment of costs for maintenance of the Portage-Baseline Lake Level Drain will be available for review Friday, August 19, 2011 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, 705 North Zeeb Road, Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Drain assessments against land will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If drain assessments against land are collected by installment, the landowner may pay the assessments in full with any interest to date at any time and thereby avoid further interest charges. This special assessment will appear on the 2011 winter taxes for the several parcels of land to be assessed as described below.

Table with multiple columns of parcel numbers and assessment details for the Portage-Baseline Lake Level Drain Drainage District.

In addition the following entities will be assessed at large:

- County of Washtenaw (for benefit to county roads)
- Township of Dexter
- Township of Webster

Therefore, all owners, municipalities and other interested parties are hereby notified that at the time and place noted above or at such other time and place to which said day of review may be adjourned, the apportionment for benefits, tentative apportionments against parcels and municipalities within the Portage-Baseline Lake Level Drain Special Assessment District, along with the computation of costs for the said Drain will be subject to review.

The owner of any land in the special assessment district or any city, village, township, district or county who may disagree with the apportionment of benefits may appeal the apportionment within 10 days after this day of review of apportionments by making an application to the Washtenaw County Probate Court for appointment of a Board of Review, as provided in Section 155 of the Michigan Drain Code (Act 40 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended).

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

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the WCWRC at 734-222-6860. The County of Washtenaw will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with special needs at the meeting upon 7 days' notice to the County of Washtenaw. Individuals with special needs requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the County of Washtenaw by writing or calling, Washtenaw County Human Resources, 220 North Main Street, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48107-8645, 734-222-6800 or TDD (734) 994-1733.

Date: August 4, 2011

Janis A. Bobrin
Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner

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NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS ZAHN DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that special assessment amounts, computation and the apportionment of costs for maintenance of the Zahn Drain will be available for review Thursday, August 18, 2011 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, 705 North Zeeb Road, Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Drain assessments against land will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If drain assessments against land are collected by installment, the landowner may pay the assessments in full with any interest to date at any time and thereby avoid further interest charges. This special assessment will appear on the 2011 winter taxes for the several parcels of land to be assessed as described below.

Table with multiple columns of parcel numbers and assessment details for the Zahn Drain Drainage District.

In addition the following entities will be assessed at large:

- County of Washtenaw (for benefit to county roads)
- Township of Freedom
- Township of Lodi

Therefore, all owners, municipalities and other interested parties are hereby notified that at the time and place noted above or at such other time and place to which said day of review may be adjourned, the apportionment for benefits, tentative apportionments against parcels and municipalities within the Zahn Drain Special Assessment District, along with the computation of costs for the said Drain will be subject to review.

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FOOD

Punctuate the party with pasta salad

Simple dish is ideal for family and potlucks

Summer gatherings and pasta salads are synonymous - light, easy, colorful, and most importantly, convenient.

Potluck Pasta Salad is the perfect punctuation to any warm weather meal. Ready in about half an hour, this pasta salad can be customized to feature the season's freshest ingredients as well as pantry and fridge staples, and family favorites.

To start, prepare the rotini according to package directions. By using Dreamfields pasta there are some added nutritional benefits to this already healthful salad.

Made from durum wheat semolina, Dreamfields provides the same taste and texture as traditional pasta but with twice the fiber and fewer digestible carbohydrates (only five grams) per serving.

This makes it ideal for everyone in the family, especially those who have diabetes or pre-diabetes.

While the pasta cooks, whisk together the ingredients for Herbed Vinaigrette and choose the mix-ins. Select fresh and crisp-tender cooked veggies like carrots, asparagus, broccoli and snap peas; proteins such as ham, shrimp, cheese; or olives and fresh herbs.

Four cups of mix-ins for a box of pasta is just the right amount.

Then toss the pasta, mix-ins and dressing. Serve immediately or refrigerate until meal time. This flavorful combo makes an ideal dish for backyard barbecues and everyday meals.

Visit www.TryDreamfields.com/pasta for more recipes and to submit your own pasta salad recipe for a chance to win a case of Dreamfields pasta.

Potluck Pasta Salad

Makes 8 servings - Preparation Time: 20



Potluck Pasta Salad.

Notes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

1 box Dreamfields Rotini or Penne Rigate 4cups mix-ins (see below) Dressing: Herbed Vinaigrette (recipe follows)

Cook pasta according to package directions; drain. Rinse with cold water; drain again.

Add desired mix-ins and half of dressing. Toss to coat.

Serve immediately or cover and refrigerate until chilled; toss before serving. Add additional dressing, as desired.

Suggested Mix-Ins:

* Crisp-tender cooked vegetables: green beans, broccoli, asparagus, corn, sugar snap peas, green peas, edamame, zucchini, yellow squash

* Raw vegetables: shredded or sliced carrots, tomatoes, cucumber, bell pepper, celery, avocado, spinach, radish, onions

* Other: olives, cheese shredded or crumbled, herbs * Meats: Salami strips, cooked chicken, tuna, shrimp, crabmeat, ham, beef steak slices, prosciutto

Herbed Vinaigrette

Preparation Time: 10 minutes Makes 3/4 cup

1/2cup white wine vinegar or rice vinegar 1/3cup olive oil 1tablespoon Dijon mustard 1clove garlic, minced 1/4cup finely chopped fresh herbs such as thyme, basil, oregano, parsley

In small bowl, whisk together vinegar and oil. Whisk in mustard and garlic. Add herbs.

Nutrition Information

(1/8 of recipe prepared with 1 cup cooked ham, 1/2 cup sliced squash, 1/2 cup

green peas, 1/2 cup black pepper, 1/2 cup sliced bell pepper, 1 cup sliced cucumber and half of Herbed Vinaigrette); 239 calories; 10g protein; 8g digestible carbohydrates; 6g total fat; 0.70 g saturated fat; 8 mg cholesterol; 280 mg sodium; 5g total dietary fiber.

Note: A favorite prepared vinaigrette may be substituted for the Herbed Vinaigrette.

*If traditional pasta is used in this recipe there is a total of 38 g carbohydrate. For more information, go to www.dreamfieldsfoods.com.

Courtesy Family Features

Washtenaw County Legal Notice: Washtenaw County Purchasing Division on behalf of the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) #6822 for the Independence Lake Spray & Play Zone at Independence Lake County Park, 3200 Jennings Road, Whitmore Lake, MI 48189-9510. There will be a MANDATORY pre-bid site meeting held at 2:00 pm, Monday, August 15, 2011 at the Gamble Group Center Pavilion, the project site, in Independence Lake County Park, 3200 Jennings Road, Whitmore Lake, MI 48189-9510, RFP #6822 is Due: Tuesday, August 30, 2011 at 2:00 PM local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-8760 or logon to our website at http://bids.ewashtenaw.org and click on "open bids". Publish August 4, 2011

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JULY 11, 2011 CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by President Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor in Dexter, Michigan. ROLL CALL: President Keough, Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero - ab, Smith, Tell. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES Motion Smith, support Cousins to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 27, 2011 Unanimous voice vote for approval APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Motion Cousins, support Fisher to approve the agenda as presented. Unanimous voice vote for approval TRUSTEE AGENDA Consideration of Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$150,866.53 Motion Fisher support Semifero to approve item 1 of the consent agenda. Unanimous voice vote for approval OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of: Motion Cousins, second Carson that be it resolved, that the Village Council hereby extends the moratorium temporarily prohibiting the initiation of the use of any property in the Village as a facility for dispensing marijuana for medical or any other purpose for 365 days, in conjunction with the continued Study of the Village Zoning ordinance or other ordinances regarding this issue and the outcome and/or clarification of the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act, MCL 333.26423(d) in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare. Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough Nays: None Motion carries NEW BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of: Motion Cousins, support Fisher to approve additional orthophosphate design services from Orchard, Hill & McClintock in the amount of \$6,500. Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough Nays: None Motion carries Motion Cousins, support Carson to approve the \$14,000 budget for the orthophosphate project implementation. Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough Nays: None Motion carries Motion Carson, support Semifero to approve an additional \$10,000 for the Tetra Tech As Needed Services to accommodate approximately 90 additional hours of service. Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough Nays: None Motion carries CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AND PENDING LITIGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 Sec. 8 Motion Carson, support Smith to go into closed session at 8:46 PM for the purpose of discussing potential purchase of property and pending litigation. Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough Nays: None Motion carries Motion Smith, support Semifero to leave closed session at 9:06 PM. Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough Nays: None Motion carries ADJOURNMENT Motion Smith, support Fisher to adjourn at 9:06 PM. Unanimous voice vote for approval. Respectfully submitted, Carol J. Jones, Clerk, Village of Dexter. Approved for Filing, July 25, 2011 NOTE: This is a synopsis of the Regular Council Meeting. The minutes of their entirety may be viewed at the Village Office at 8123 Main Street, Dexter MI or online at www.villageofdexter.org Publish August 4, 2011

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FOOD

Mouthwatering gluten-free recipes

Delicious ways to accommodate a tough diet

Celiac Disease is one of the most common genetic conditions in the world. In fact, according to the Mayo Clinic, 1 in every 100 people is living with Celiac Disease, 97 percent of whom will go undiagnosed.

Celiac disease is an autoimmune condition that causes the body to react to proteins in gluten found in wheat, rye and barley, among other foods—as though they are a danger to the body, damaging the intestines and causing discomfort. Those living with Celiac Disease, or any type of gluten intolerance, must avoid eating foods with gluten as they aggravate the condition.

Fortunately, there are a growing number of products available that make it easier to enjoy eating gluten-free foods. For example, French Meadow Bakery products, including breads, pizza crust, tortillas, sweet treats and more carry the seal of the Gluten-Free Certification Organization (www.gfco.org.)

These two recipes are inspiration for nutritious and flavorful gluten-free creations. For more information about Celiac Disease, please visit www.Celiac.org, www.gluten.net and www.celiaccentral.org. For more about gluten-free products, and to get money-saving coupons, find French Meadow Bakery on Facebook.

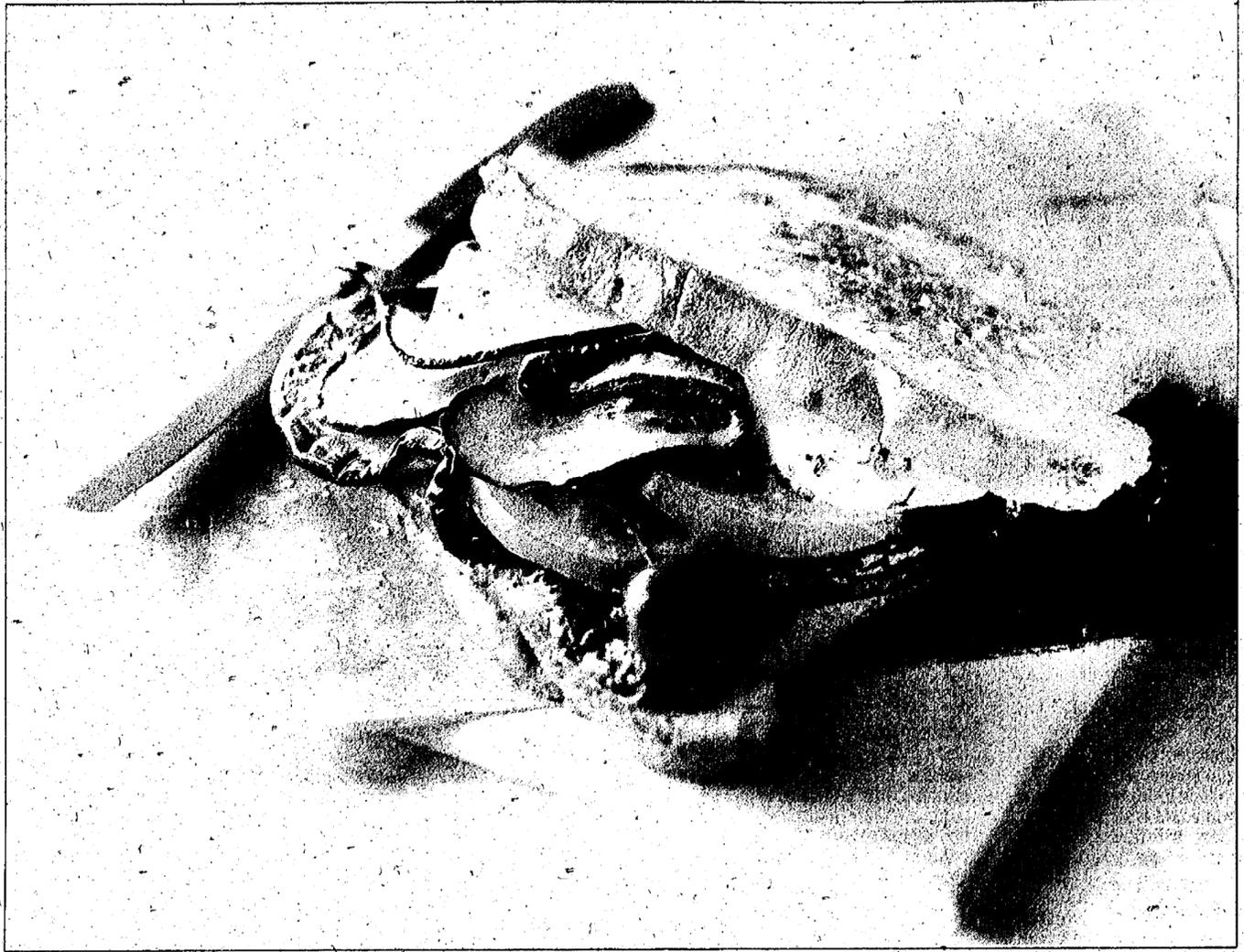
Gluten-Free Roasted Vegetable Sandwich

2 slices French Meadow Gluten Free Sandwich Bread
1 tablespoon butter
3 slices roasted eggplant
3 slices roasted zucchini
3 slices fresh tomato
2 tablespoons prepared pesto
1 ounce fresh mozzarella, sliced

Toast bread until golden brown. Spread with butter. Layer pesto, eggplant, zucchini, tomato slices and mozzarella and top with other slice of bread.

Gluten-Free Brownie Trifle

1 package (3.9 ounces) instant chocolate pudding mix
1/2 cup water



A roasted vegetable sandwich like this one with eggplant, zucchini and tomatoes is possible with gluten-free bread like that of French Meadow.

1 14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk
2 containers (12 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 package French Meadow Bakery Gluten-Free Fudge Brownies; thawed and crumbled

In large bowl, combine pudding mix, water, and sweetened condensed milk.

Mix until smooth. Gently fold in 8 ounces of whipped topping.

In a separate dish, combine remaining whipped topping and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Take half of crumbled brownies and layer on the bottom of a trifle bowl.

Top with half of the pudding mixture and then half of the whipped topping mixture. Repeat layers once.

Refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving.

Courtesy Family Features



Make a delicious dessert with gluten-free fudge brownies and frozen whipped topping.

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SCIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS JULY 26, 2011

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

Present: Clark, Hedberg, Palmer, DeLong, Green, Knowles, Read

Approved consulting agreement for the services of Treemore Ecology and Land Services Inc.

Approved request by Breuninger Land LLC for two properties for PA 116.

Approved the Township's 2011 Tax Rate Request.

Approved an invoice from Carlisle/Wortman for \$276.50.

Approved the transfer of a small winemaker license from Sharryl Sullivan to De Angelis Cantina Del Vino, LLC at 7879 Jackson Drive.

Approved proposal for website services for Township.

Approved a request to replace a pump in the Jackson Road Sanitary Sewer Pump Station.

Approved renewal of the Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE) contract from 8/3/2011 to 8/2/2012.

Approved Bank of Ann Arbor as repository of Township funds.

Approved July invoices to be paid as presented.

Adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk, Scio Township
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Webster Township Regular Board Meeting July 19, 2011

The Webster Township Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. by Supervisor John Kingsley on July 19, 2011 at the Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present: Supervisor: John Kingsley, Clerk: Mary Dee Heller, Treasurer: Carol Whitney, Trustees: John Westman, Gary Koch, Charles Estleman, Richard Kleinschmidt, Zoning Administrator: Bruce Pindzia and 9 residents.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Approve Minutes
Motion Kleinschmidt second Estleman to approve, with corrections, the minutes of the Webster Township Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting June 21, 2011. All ayes and carried.

Supervisor Remarks

Approve Agenda
Motion Westman second Koch to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes and carried.

Call to Public

Reports

A. Treasurer's Report:
Motion Heller second Koch to accept Treasurer's report and pay bills as presented as well as those anticipated bills received before August meeting. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

B. Planning Commission:
No Report received.

C. Parks & Recreation Committee:
No Report received.

D. Zoning Inspectors Report:
Report received.

E. Sheriff's Report:
Report received.

F. Zoning Board of Appeals:
No Report received.

G. PDR Committee:
Report received.

H. Fire Department:
Report received.

Old Business:

New Business

A. Charter Township
Motion Estleman second Westman to offer Resolution 11-11, to oppose incorporation as a charter township. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

B. Parking Lot
Motion Estleman second Kleinschmidt to accept the Belding USA LLC bid of \$3,981.00 to seal coat, heat lance and Strip the parking lot. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

Adjourn
Motion Kleinschmidt second Koch to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm. All ayes and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Dee Heller, Clerk Webster Township
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Synopsis of the CITY OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, June 28, 2011 Washington Street Education Center

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Council Business

1. Year End Budget Amendments
MOVED Albertson SECONDED Hammer BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Chelsea does hereby adopt the attached line item budget amendments for the fiscal year 2010-2011. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

2. WWRA Assessment
MOVED Albertson SECONDED Feeney for the City of Chelsea to become an Investing Member for the conversion to single stream recycling for WWRA. Six Ayes, One (1) Nay, Anderson

3. OPEB Committee Update
City Manager Hanifah updated City Council on the OPEB Committee progress.

4. Power Purchase Agreement - AMP Fremont Project
MOVED Feeney SECONDED Martinez-Kratz for the City of Chelsea to approve the concept of entering into a long term power purchase agreement with the MPPA for the AMP Fremont Combined Cycle Gas Project. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Report for Special Assessment District - Fairways Lane
MOVED Martinez-Kratz SECONDED Hammer to approve the Resolution for the City of Chelsea to direct the City Manager to prepare a report as specified in the City Charter, Sec 24-5 Survey and report, for the purpose of determining whether to proceed with the Special Assessment and what portion should be paid by the City at large. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

6. Ordinance No 166-2011-05 Rezoning of Parcels
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to adopt Ordinance No 166-2011-05 to amend the City Zoning Map. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

7. CACA Board Appointment of Christine Linfield
MOVED Albertson SECONDED Hammer to appoint Christine Linfield to the Chelsea Area Construction Agency (CACA). All Ayes. Motion Carried.

8. Approval of DDA Bylaws
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to table the DDA By-laws until the July 12, 2011 City Council Meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

9. West Washtenaw Interlocal Agreement
MOVED Feeney SECONDED Martinez-Kratz to approve the City participating in the process for the selection of the West Communities Countywide Transit Authority Representative. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

10. 2011 MDOT M52 Storm Sewer Lining
MOVED Martinez-Kratz SECONDED Feeney to award the MDOT Storm Sewer Repair project to Utility Services Authority LLC in the "not to exceed" amount of \$7,400. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

11. Water Noise Ordinance for the 2011 M52 Crackfill Project
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to waive the noise ordinance for the 2011 M52 Crackfill Project from 10:00 pm Tuesday, June 28, 2011 until 7:00 am Thursday, June 30, 2011. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Feeney to go into closed session for the purpose of City Manager Evaluation. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT
MOVED Hammer SECONDED Anderson to adjourn at 9:10 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approved: July 12, 2011

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

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Royal, Clerk
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HOMES

Why a home remodel may be better than a savings account

Are you keeping your home longer than you expected, due to the sluggish and uncertain home-resale market?

If you are, you've got company. Only 43 percent of homeowners believe they would get their asking price if they sold today, according to the latest American Express Spending & Saving Tracker.

That lack of confidence, coupled with interest rates on personal savings accounts that are at or near record lows, has a lot of homeowners investing in their homes instead of depositing money in their banks.

In fact, nearly two-thirds of homeowners will be remodeling in 2011, says American Express. Improving your home can be a smart strategy over the long run.

In the meantime, it can make your home more comfortable and convenient while you're living there.

Now is the time to ask yourself if putting your hard-earned savings into your house is right for you.

You won't see the return on your investment in the near-term, but when you factor in a quicker sale or higher sale price, you could end up with more profit than savings account interest rates can provide.

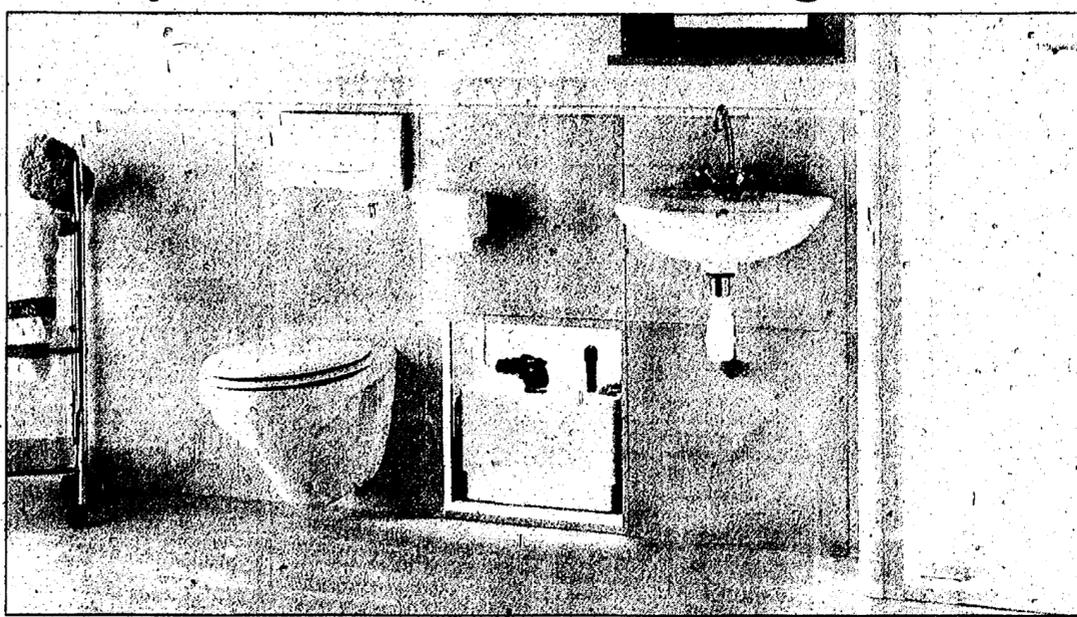
Improvements that pay

Experts recommend that you stick to improvements likely to increase your home's resale appeal and value.

There's no such thing as a guaranteed return on investment, but some home improvements have a better value track record than others. A basement remodel will recoup 70 percent of its cost at resale, according to the 2010-2011 Remodeling Magazine Cost vs. Value Report. Adding a bathroom returns more than 53 percent of your investment, while modernizing a kitchen can bring back 72.8 percent.

• **Build a bath:** If you plan to install a bathroom, laundry or wet bar in an area that lacks below-floor plumbing drainage, you can dramatically reduce your installation costs with macerating technology. Installing drainage in a basement, attic or garage can be messy, time-consuming and expensive. But with macerating, or up-flush, technology, you can have plumbing virtually anywhere in your home, without breaking through floors or jackhammering concrete.

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Want to make your new bath seem larger? Let the light in! If a skylight isn't in the budget, use recessed ceiling lights and large mirrors. Also, choose a warm semi-gloss paint and install 12-inch by 12-inch or larger

floor tiles to minimize grout lines.

A walk-in shower is a smart and cost-effective space-saver. If you don't need storage space, a pedestal sink is another good alternative. Two surefire ways to give the illusion of space are a recessed medicine cabinet and a pocket door instead of a traditional hinged door.

• **Rebuild a kitchen:** An average rebuild of a kitchen takes nine months

to plan and three months to build, according to the National Kitchen and Bath Association. You can improve the overall look and feel of a kitchen with a lot less work and money simply by refurbishing what you have. Some refurbishing options include refaced cabinets instead of new, resurfaced countertops or an added backsplash, updated flooring and under-cabinet task lighting.

Regardless of the project

you plan to undertake, there are a few things you can do to ensure you get the most for your money. Here are some general tips from the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI):

- Establish a budget.
 - Hire a qualified remodeler who is familiar with local building codes.
 - Compare products and prices before you begin.
 - Work with a contract.
- Courtesy of ARAcontent



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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by MICHAEL A. CARRIVEAU, SR. and REGINA M. CARRIVEAU, husband and wife (collectively, "Mortgagor"), to GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, a federally chartered corporation, having an office at 3515 West Road, East Lansing, Michigan 48823 (the "Mortgage"), dated June 29, 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Washtenaw County, Michigan on July 27, 2007, in Liber 4637, Page 1 (the "Mortgage"). By reason of such default, the Mortgagor elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the Mortgage due and payable forthwith. Mortgage Electronic Registration System (MERS) is not the sole foreclosing party. As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Eight and 88/100 Dollars (\$233,138.88). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage or any part thereof. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the main lobby of the Circuit Courthouse, Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, Michigan on Thursday the 25th day of August, 2011, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon. The premises covered by the Mortgage are situated in the Township of Augusta, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, and are described as follows: Property described as the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 27, T4S, R7E, Augusta Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, EXCEPTING that property conveyed to The Detroit Edison Company as disclosed by Deed recorded in Liber 1418, Page 499, Washtenaw County Records (i.e. the Northerly 175 feet of the subject property).

Together with all fixtures, tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances belonging or in any way appertaining to the premises. Commonly known as: 12601 Whitaker Rd., Milan, Michigan 48160 P.P.#T-20-27-300-002

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be one (1) year from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgagor is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241a(b) that the premises are considered abandoned and Mortgagor, Mortgagor's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming from or under one (1) of them has not given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241a(c) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

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Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgagor is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241a(b) that the premises are considered abandoned and Mortgagor, Mortgagor's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming from or under one (1) of them has not given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241a(c) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

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The event was held on Aug. 4 and 5, and included old-time movies, a pie-baking contest, square dancing, a parade and much more.

In 1973, several events were added and an ad in the local paper highlighted Dexter Days Specials submitted by the local IGA.

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Visitors can also check out a variety of business and community booths, including:

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Dexter Daze craft booths open at 9 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

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Feeling lucky? Then be sure to get your raffle tickets for these two great drawings.

Dexter Rotary Playhouse Raffle

The annual Dexter Rotary Playhouse raffle has featured models of historic buildings in Dexter since 2000. Proceeds have gone to Dexter High School scholarships and other community projects.

Tickets cost \$5 each or five tickets for \$20, and are sold at area merchants.

The drawing will take place 7 p.m. Aug. 13, at the gazebo.

Dexter Kiwanis Raffle

Hurry, there will only be 3,000 tickets sold for this exciting raffle.

Tickets cost \$10 or five tickets for \$40, and offer a grand prize of \$10,000, second prize of \$1,000, and third prize of \$500 - with a \$500 bonus for each winning ticket present at drawing.

Proceeds fund local scholarships and community projects.

The drawing is set for 7 p.m. Aug. 13 at Monument Park.

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On Friday, Dexter Dazers will enjoy family fun from ventriloquist and "funny puppet guy" Richard Paul, children's musician Kevin Devine, and the ever popular Colors the Clown who will bring her brand of comedy, clowning and petting zoo to Saturday's fun as well.

Friday revelers will enjoy country music from Spur 9, oldies and rock 'n' roll from Big Pinky - in their last appearance at Dexter Daze - and blues and jazz from RJ Spangler.

Saturday's entertainment includes magician Jeff Wawrzaszek, the Dexter High School band Orchid, swing music from Cat Canyon & the Captivators, bluegrass from the RFD Boys and rock and blues from Laith Al-Saadi.

Laith Al-Saadi

Singer, guitarist, bassist, songwriter, bandleader and more, Laith Al-Saadi has been a staple of the local music scene for most of his adult life.

"We really look forward to playing Dexter Daze again this year," he says. "We've been lucky enough to be picked to close out the festival for the last couple of years. It's always a great time!"

"It's also one of the few all-ages events that we get to do. It's always great to be playing for families and kids - hopefully we can help turn another generation on to blues, roots music and classic rock 'n' roll!"

Born and raised in Ann Arbor, Al-Saadi began singing at age 4 and began playing guitar at 13.

At 15, he formed his first blues band Blue Vinyl, and

by the time he was 18 had opened for blues greats like Buddy Guy, Luther Allison, Son Seals, and Taj Mahal and toured the Netherlands.

He earned a degree in Jazz Guitar and Bass from the University of Michigan. During his college years, he was a member of the Johnny Trudell Orchestra and freelanced with many Detroit greats like Thornetta Davis, Jocelyn B, and The Reefermen.

In 2004 Al-Saadi was lead singer/guitarist of the Detroit Lions pep band.

Since 2000, he has enjoyed growing success and can generally be found playing gigs around the Detroit and Ann Arbor areas at least five nights a week.

This determination has led to recent opening slots for artists like Kenny Wayne Shepherd, Leon Russell,

Robben Ford, Johnny Winter, Hubert Sumlin, Olu Dara, Ten Years After, Mountain, The Yardbirds and - most notably - BB King at the House of Blues in Chicago in 2006.

In 2006, Al-Saadi was crowned King of the Blues for the Northern Region of the United States by Guitar Center. This made him one of the top four undiscovered Blues guitarists in the country.

His first release, "Long Time Coming," is a collection of original songs that received rave reviews by the Ann Arbor News, Metro Times, Current Magazine and Detroit News.

In Jan. 2009 Al-Saadi released his second solo effort, "In the Round."

He is looking forward to a new release this year and started off the year with

a performance on FOX2 Detroit and as a featured act in the Detroit Blues Society's Antifreeze Blues fest.

He also recently won Coolest Blues Song of 2010 in Big City Blues Magazine and the Mojo Boogie award for being the most outstanding jammer on the Legendary Rhythm & Blues Cruise in October 2010.

Ventriloquist and 'funny puppet guy' Richard Paul

Paul, who has traveled the world throwing his voice and leaving a phonetic fun-filled

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PAUL

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imprint, is making his third appearance at Dexter Daze.

"My puppet friend Bosco Bird, all my other puppets and props and I are really looking forward to coming back to perform for the all the kids, parents, grandparents and the teens who act like they are not watching the show but really are," he says.

Paul, who holds a bachelor's degree from Oakland University in Communications and Marketing, is an award-winning educational speaker and author. He has been featured in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Detroit News*, *Fox News* and was part of a national bully prevention expert panel on *Voice America*.

At age 11, he taught himself ventriloquism and at 12, began to sharpen his business and presentation skills by producing and marketing a weekly show in his



Richard Paul will perform with his puppet friends.

parent's garage. He would charge 10 cents to get in and 25 cents to get out.

In his early years Paul worked at Sears as a credit authorizer and performed ventriloquist shows and puppet shows throughout Michigan.

When he decided to leave and start his own entertainment company, his company grew and so did his conference keynote speaking engagements and ventrilo-

quist shows.

Paul also is a school assembly and educational conference presenter with a passion for bully prevention education.

He is a published author and member of International Bully Prevention Association, Association for Conflict Resolution, National Self Esteem Association, Michigan PTA, Michigan Education Association, and Charter member and former President of the Central Macomb Optimist Club.

Paul, who entertains thousands at festivals, fairs, corporate and private events, recently performed in Japan, at Harrah's and the Imperial Palace in Las Vegas and has appeared on ABC's "Good Morning America" and Fox 2 Morning Edition.

He has worked with entertainers like KC and The Sunshine Band, The Contours, Danny and the Juniors, The Reflections and Garfield.

An active member of the International Ventriloquist Association, and North

American Association of Ventriloquist, he has received an honorary membership in the Japanese Ventriloquist Association.

He is also a member of the National Speakers Association and on the board of directors of The National Speakers Association Michigan Chapter as well as Very Special Arts Michigan/Macomb Chapter.

Children's musician Kevin Devine

Kevin Devine, an award-winning singer, songwriter and recording artist specializing in family concerts, says Dexter Daze is always one of the highlights of his summer.

"The festival is very well-run, the sound crew is top-notch and the emcee, Joe Tiboni, knows how to get the crowd excited," he says.

"The best part, though, is the audience - children, families, day campers, grandparents - they come to rock, and I do my best to deliver, in a pre-school to

grade five sort of way.

"My shows are always participatory, with tons of dancing and guest vocals from kids in the audience."

Devine also has a special song he wrote specifically about Dexter Daze that he'll be singing again this year.

"I also always buy a bag or two of popcorn from the wrestling team for my roadie - one of my sons - and a big lemonade to enjoy while we listen to the next act before we have to ramble on. And we can never get out of town without hitting at least a couple garage sales! What's not to love!"

Over the past 20 years, Devine has performed thousands of concerts and school programs from Maine to Texas, dazzling audiences with his mad-cap shenanigans, musical hi-jinx and his original songs.

He has written more than 1,000 songs in dozens of styles for concerts, albums and TV and film. From novelty songs to wedding music, metal to country western,

his eclectic style reflects his diverse musical influences.

He has released five children's music albums and is working on a sixth. He also writes music for other performers including the up-and-coming family music phenoms, The Lady Bugs.

His TV credits include writing songs for PBS ("Barney and Friends"), NBC, CBS, ABC and Showtime, including "JAG", "Judging Amy," "The Young and the Restless" and "General Hospital," among others, and his songs have appeared in film and on TV in over a dozen countries in Europe, Asia, Australia and South America.

When he's not performing family concerts, Devine plays accordion, bass and guitar with the Detroit-based Irish band, the Bowzies.

He is also the owner of SongSource.com, a song writing and publishing company.

Devine, who has a

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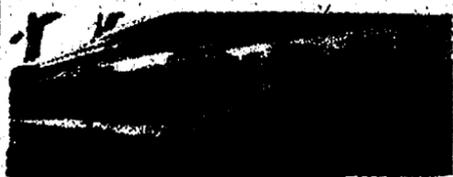
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Friday, Aug. 12

9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Arts & Crafts Booths

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Merchant Sales

11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Richard Paul: ventriloquist

11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Little Smilin' Choo Choo
\$1 per person

11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Social Tent

12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Kevin Devine: children's music

1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Dexter Area Museum open

2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Colors the Clown: family fun

3:30 to 5 p.m.
Spur 9: country music

4:30 to 8 p.m.
Swiss Steak Fry at American Legion

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Big Pinky: oldies and rock & roll

8 p.m. to 11 p.m.
RJ Spangler: blues and jazz

Saturday, Aug. 13

8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Farmers Market on Alpine Street

9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Arts & Crafts Booths

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Dexter Library book sale

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Dexter Daze Parade

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Merchant Sidewalk Sales

11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Little Smilin' Choo Choo
\$1 per person

11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Social Tent

11 a.m. until gone
Chicken Bar-B-Q at St. James Church

11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Colors the Clown: family entertainment

11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Gordon Hall free WAVE bus shuttle from downtown Dexter (at the Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum booth located near the flagpole)

12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Gordon Hall tours
\$5 donation (ages 12 and under free)

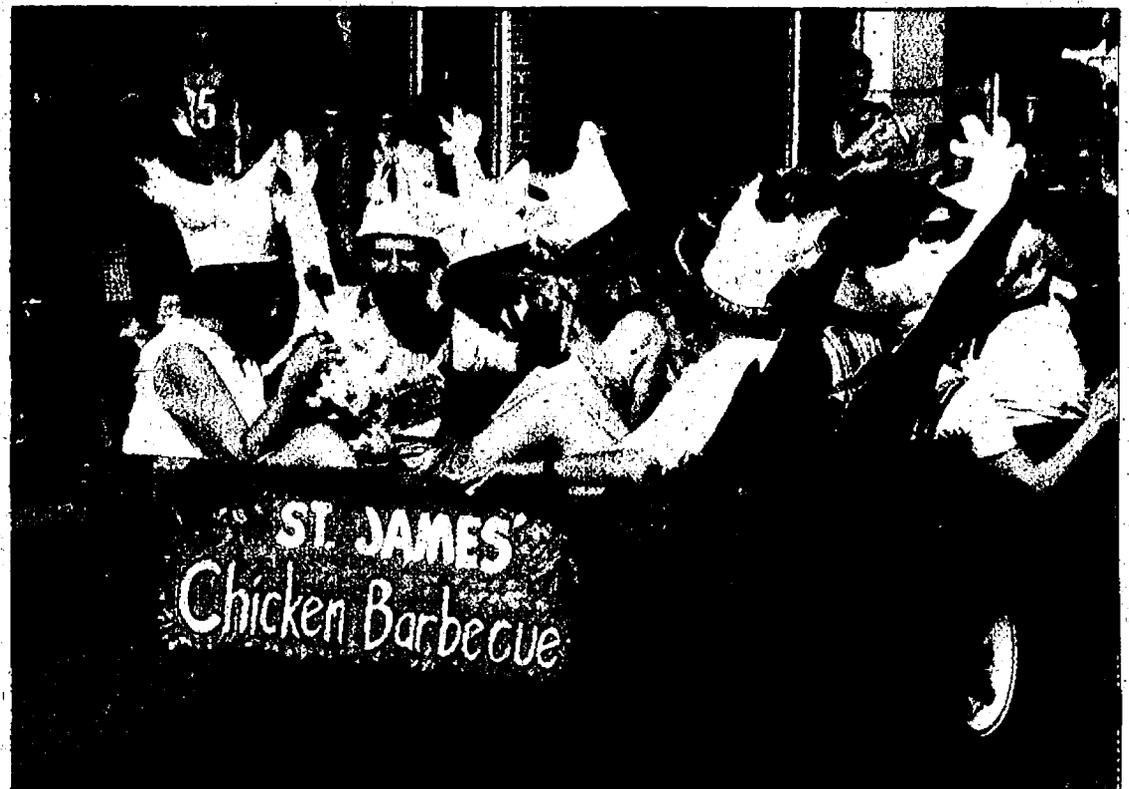
12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Jeff Wawrzaszek: magician

1 p.m.
Horseshoe tournament at First Street Park

1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Pole vaulting at Creekside

2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Orchid: local young band

3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Cat Canyon & the Captivators: swing



Dexter Daze events begin Friday, Aug. 12 at 9 a.m.

5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
RFD Boys: bluegrass

7 p.m.
Kiwanis raffle

7 p.m.
Rotary playhouse raffle

8 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Laith Al-Saadi: rock and blues

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Friday

August 12 & 13

Richard Paul-Ventriloquist-11:00-12:00
Kevin Devine-Family & Children-12:30-2:00
Colors the Clown-Family-2:00-3:00
Spur 9-Country-3:30-5:00
Big Pinky-Oldies & Rock & Roll-5:30-7:30
RJ Spangler-Blues & Jazz-8:00-11:00

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Saturday

Dexter Daze Parade begins at 10:00
Colors the Clown-Family Fun-11:30-12:00
Jeff Wawrzaszek-Magician-12:30-1:30
Orchid-Local Young Band-2:00-3:00
Cat Canyon & the Captivators-Swing-3:30-5:00
RFD Boys-Bluegrass-5:30-7:00
Raffle Drawings at the Gazebo-7:00
Laith Al-Saadi-Rock & Blues-8:00-11:00

Family Fun

Explore History at the Museum-Friday 1-3
Arts & Crafts Booths-Fri & Sat 9-8
Little Smilin' Choo Choo-Fri & Sat 11-7
Social Tent-Fri & Sat 11-11
Dexter Daze Parade-Sat @ 10
Gordon Hall-Saturday 12-3:30
Pole Vaulting at Creekside-Sat 1-7
Horseshoe Tournament at First Street Park-Sat @ 1

Community

Kiwanis Raffle for a chance to win \$10,000
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Local Merchants on Friday & Saturday 10-5
American Legion Swiss Steak on Friday 4:30-8
Farmers Market on Saturday 8-1
Library Book Sale on Saturday 9-3
St. James' Church Chicken Bar-b-q on Saturday at 11

DEVINE

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bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in education from Wayne State University, lives in Ann Arbor with his wife and sons.

Colors the Clown

A perennial favorite at local fairs and festivals, Colors the Clown burst onto the scene in early 1992, providing family entertainment throughout Michigan.

An artist by trade, she has developed her talents into a living cartoon, performing over 250 shows per year with her whimsical blend of clowning, magic, face painting and a petting zoo.

"We have a few, new, little friends for show, but they are a surprise," Colors says.

Colors, who spent four years performing as a Royal Hanneford Circus clown, is in her 19th year at Dexter Daze, the longest running entertainer at the event.

"I love to watch the children grow up, I feel privileged to play at their birthdays and enjoy seeing them again at the festivals and fairs."

Colors is participating as one of the characters in a new local children's TV show to be aired on WDEE TV in Ann Arbor. The show will feature some long-time beloved local performers taking parts as narrator, storyteller, dancers, singers, and actors. It is presently in production at Wild Swan Theater's rehearsal space, also home of Camp Do Ya Wanna.

Spur 9

The Spur 9 Band plays a wide variety of country music and may sprinkle in some classic rock, blues, rock-a-billy and some R&B as well as songs for the two-steppers, Texas swingers and line dancers.

"The Spur 9 Band is based out of Dexter and we're real-

ly looking forward to playing music for the home town folks," says bass guitarist Rick Lee. We take great pride in our community and the people that comprise it.

"The members in our band range in age from early 20s to early 50s, and the music we play really represents our broad range of experience. The music in our set will touch on great country songs from every decade, from the 1950s through 2011. People can look forward to hearing a variety of songs ranging from Hank Snow to Johnny Cash, and from Hank Williams, Jr. to The Zach Brown Band."

Lee started bands in his teens and played original rock and metal around southeast Michigan for 15 years. He was also a studio musician at Studio 814 in Inkster in the early 1990s doing tracking for various local artists and tracking bass for radio and TV commercials.

His bands have been on bills with Bruce Dickensen, Accept, Arcade, Quiet Riot, Motorhead, Lifehouse, Nazereth and others, as well as numerous radio shows



Spur 9 is set to perform country music at Dexter Daze.

and PBS shows.

He did stints in classic rock/modern rock/pop rock with The Cohort Band, Billy Mack and Sugar Trampoline in the late '90s through 2007, and signed on as the bass player for Billy Mack & The Juke Joint Johnnies to learn a new style of music and work on upright bass chops. In 2010 he decided to give country music a try and joined Spur 9.

Dan Chisolm, drums and vocals, began playing drums at the age of nine. At 15 he joined a rock and blues band and began playing weddings and parties.

After moving to Arkansas he joined a newgrass band and played all over

northern Arkansas and southern Missouri for three years until he relocated to Michigan where he landed the gig as drummer for the West Texas Wind Band. The band shared bills with country music icons such as David Allen Coe, John Barry, Martin Del Ray, Merle Haggard and Waylon Jennings.

Chisolm played in a few different bands over the next couple years. In the early summer of 2010 he met bassist Rick Lee and began

the Spur 9 Band project.

Mark Hoffman, lead vocals, hails from upstate New York. His musical spectrum was broadened by college friends that introduced him to Motown, oldies and other kinds of classic rock and he was invited to join the a cappella group, The Dutch Pipers.

After college Hoffman relocated to Michigan, and began visiting local clubs that were hosting karaoke nights. He became a popular performer and came to the attention of Spur 9.

Josh Koch, lead and rhythm guitar, is a Michigan native schooled in many styles of guitar playing. His country music influence was fostered by his late grandfather who was a performing country musician. Koch also performs original rock/pop influenced music with the Something Strange band in the Ann Arbor/Ypsi area.

Kevin Winters, lead guitar, rhythm guitar, and vocals, is an Ann Arbor native and veteran guitar man who's been

playing for over 30 years, most recently with Billy Mack and The 4Fi Band, playing everything from classic rock, modern rock, rock-a-billy, blues to country. He was most recently on the bill with Eddie Money in 2010.

Big Pinky

After more than 50 years of live performances, Glen "Big Pinky" Pingston is retiring his band known as "Big Pinky and The Joint Effort Band", from public performances.

His present band mates include: Mark Amsdill, Nick Bauder, Chaz Cogo, Cliff Grupke, Ric Mayer, Pat Peck, Kevin Rhodes, and Dennis Woodruff. The band was formed in the 1980s to play classic rock and roll.

Peck, Amsdill, Bauder and Mayer started performing with Pingston (aka Pinky) in the mid-1980s and have been doing Dexter Daze every year since 1996.

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GORDON HALL TOURS

Dexter Daze visitors can enjoy tours of the historic local landmark Gordon Hall from noon to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 13, with free WAVE bus shuttles running from 1:20 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to and from downtown Dexter.

"The bus will pick up those interested in downtown Dexter at the Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum booth that will be located near the flagpole," says Nancy Van Blaricum, volunteer genealogist with the Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum.

"The bus is free, however we ask for a donation of \$5 per person that will be collected in the Hall."

Children ages 12 and under are free.

Docents will take visitors on tours that will take about 45 minutes to an hour.

"There are many steps involved as we go to the basement and then up to the second floor and then up to the attic," Van Blaricum says. "There are best areas for those who feed them."

Historic Gordon Hall is a Greek antebellum structure built between 1841 and 1843 on a 1,700-acre estate by Samuel Dexter, who established the settlement of Dexter and was the first Chief Justice of Washtenaw County.

After Judge Dexter died in 1863, his widow continued to live in the house until her death in 1899. It was then sold and rented.

In 1934, the U.S. Department of the Interior commissioned drawings and photos for the Library of Congress, and determined the building to be one of the oldest and most historic sites in Michigan.

In 1938, Judge Dexter's granddaughter, Katherine Dexter McCormick, a renowned philanthropist, women's rights activist and member of the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame who was born in Gordon Hall in 1875, bought the house with the intent to restore it to its original beauty, and to be used by Dexter Area groups such as the Woman's Study Club.

Restorations took place between 1940 and 1950.

McCormick donated Gordon Hall to the University of Michigan in 1950. The following year, U of M began restructuring the interior into four apartments to be used as faculty housing, to the dismay of preservationists.

In 1958 Gordon Hall was placed on the State Register of Historic Places, and on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972.

In 2000, U of M decided to sell Gordon Hall, and the Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum began a "Save Gordon Hall" campaign in an effort to purchase and protect the property and 68 acres of land.

In 2005, thanks to fundraisers and donations, the DAHSM was able to purchase the hall for \$1.5 million, taking possession of the hall the following year and making plans for its restoration.

For information on Gordon Hall, visit <http://DexterMuseum.org>.

BIG PINKY

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Rhodes was in Pinky's band in the late '70s, retired, then came back in the late '90s. Cogo and Grupke joined in 2009. Woodruff came back in 2010.

Pingston, the originator of the group, plays guitar and is lead vocalist. Peck and Amsdill, who went to Dexter schools together, play drums and saxophone respectively. New York native Bauder plays bass. Rhodes, a music major from West Virginia, plays key board and sings backup vocals. Mayer plays lead guitar and sings backup vocals. Woodruff is the computer-recording engineer. Mayer and Woodruff were Pingston's Milford High School classmates. Cogo plays percussion and Grupke is sound engineer; both went to college with Amsdill.

All the band members learned music in high school. Mayer, Cogo and Grupke



Big Pinky is set to retire this year.

played in various groups before joining Pingston. Bauder played bass with Susie and the Nobles in New York prior to joining The Joint Effort Band. Peck played with the Derelex, The Sindells, The Pranksters, Mister Wiggly, and finally The Joint Effort Band. Amsdill was a saxophonist with The Sindells.

Pingston stayed in the public school music program all the way through Milford Junior High and Milford High School. "Pinky"

started writing music at age 14 and teaching drums and guitar at the age of 16.

During his high school years, his band, the El Cobras, performed at the same gigs with The Rolling Stones, The Dave Clark Five, The Four Seasons, and Mitch Rider.

His band also backed up artists on stage such as Paul Anka, Del Shannon, Barbara Lewis, Tony Clark, and Gino Washington.

Woodruff played saxo-

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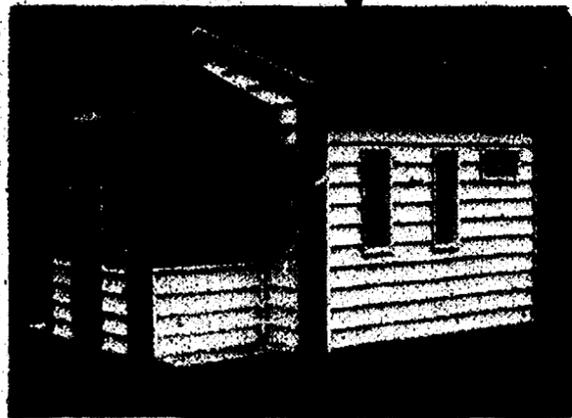
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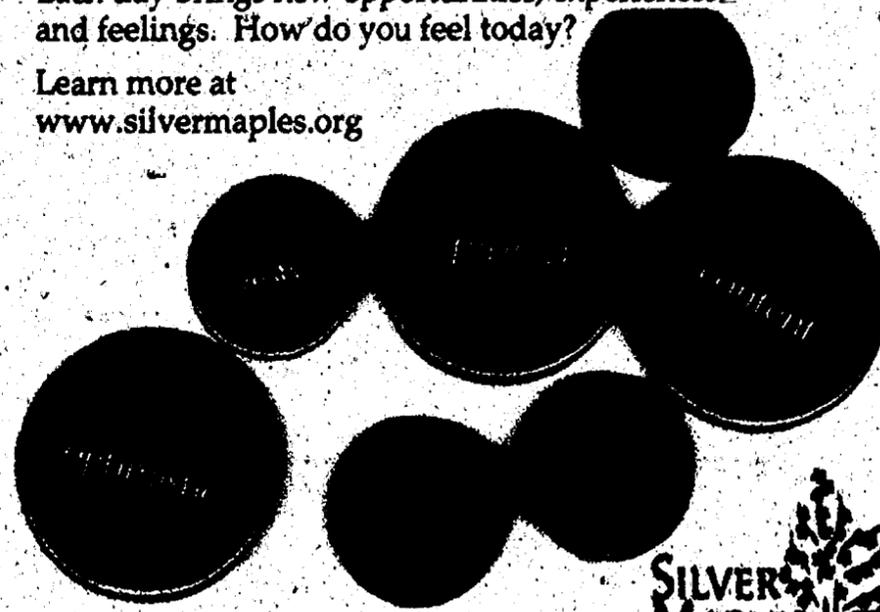
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phone with Pingston in The El Cobras and later formed the band called Beg, Borrow and Steal.

After a three-year hitch in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, Pingston formed the band that became The Joint Effort Band by the mid-1970s.

Band members started playing in the mid-1960s and are still performing the same great music they all grew up with. They have become one of the most popular groups in this area.

Although the band is retiring from public events and performances members will do private functions for a special fee and will be doing studio recordings of classic rock and new original music.

RJ Spangler

President of Spangler Blues and Jazz, RJ Spangler is a Detroit area drummer (jazz & blues), bandleader and music activist who manages Blues singers like Detroit's Queen of the blues, Alberta Adams.

He also has represented and backed the late Joe Weaver, Stanley Mitchell & Odessa Harris, and Johnnie Bassett, the master of blues guitar in Detroit. Before 1980, Spangler played in a band called Kuumba, and he also Spangler has also played with Martha & the Van Dellas, The Drifters, Earl King,

Thornetta Davis and more. Spangler earned his first Motor City Music Award in 1982 with the Sun Messengers, a band he co-founded and named in 1980.

Magician Jeff Wawrzaszek from A2 Magic

Jeff Wawrzaszek, one of Michigan's most popular and experienced magicians, has been entertaining audiences for over 40 years and has presented his A2 Magic Show in most of the 50 states, as well as overseas to over 13,500 audiences.

Wawrzaszek, who has received numerous awards from his fellow magicians for excellence in magic, will bring plenty of laughter, fun and amazing magic to the Gazebo Stage with his award-winning magic show. "I'll also have free magic souvenirs for all the kids after the show," he says.

Orchid

This young local band comprises Dexter High School students Graham Low on drums and lead vocals, Chad Bousley on electric guitar and backing vocals, and Biscuit Hayes on bass and backup vocals.

Orchid, launched in early 2010 at a Student Produced Artistic Collaborative Events (SPACE) club Jam Session, plays a variety of different genres from funk to jazz to classic rock.

The band has played at

Foggy Bottom in Dexter several times and at graduation parties and other events.

After winning the battle of the bands at Foggy Bottom last October, the band opened for the popular cover band Echoes of Pink Floyd last October in a concert at the Dexter High School Center for the Performing Arts.

The band's influences include Red Hot Chili Peppers, Flea, Victor Wooten, Chris Wolstenholme and Jesse Walker.

Bousley and Hayes both plan on attending Albion College after DHS graduation, and Low will attend the University of North Texas in the fall. Band members still hope to play when possible.

"It's a great honor to be performing at Dexter Daze because we've all been going to this event since childhood and this event will have a strong influence on our musical development," Low said.

"We plan on performing to our highest potential and hope to be received well. We love playing music, especially live, so we won't hold back. This should be a good old time."

Cat Canyon and the Captivators

Singer, songwriter, guitarist Cat Canyon was born in Detroit and at an early age started collecting R&B and rockabilly records.

Originally a drummer he picked up the guitar to

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accompany his voice on great songs by groups like Carl Perkins, Buddy Holly, Johnny Burnette Trio and the Charms just to name a few. After moving to Chicago, he played different styles of music in the subways and in underground shows and came back to his Michigan roots and rockabilly.

Cat is joined by bassist Mike McKenzie - aka Rockabilly Mike - who brings his love of Psychobilly (he is bassist for Six Shooter) and traditional rockabilly.

Drummer Jeff Martin started playing at an early age, he has played in several Christian and '50s through '80s rock projects.

The song list will likely include "Blast off," "Mustang Sally," "Rockin' Robin," "Johnny B. Goode," "Wild Thing," "Surfin' Bird," "Pretty Woman," "Peggy Sue," "Blue Suede Shoes," "Hound Dog," and other classics.

"We're very excited to be playing Dexter Daze," Canyon says. "Mark Amsdill (of Big Pinky) saw us at a local club several months back and that's when we got the gig.

"Dexter is a very cool town. And the festival is top notch. I remember seeing George Bedard perform, and the place was packed. We want to do the same."

The band will perform from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday so there is plenty of time to catch the act, he says.

"It's high energy rock and rockabilly and appropriate for all ages."

The band will also do a couple of originals from their debut disc "I'm Suspicious" available at the show for \$5 or on iTunes or CD Baby.

"Bring drinks because the songs are very danceable and you will leave sweating," Canyon says.

He also predicts perfect weather.

"The band broke a curse,"



Cat Canyon and the Captivators play rockabilly music.

he jokes. "We'd been scheduled for several outdoor performances, but unbelievably rain rolled in just before our set. Remember the high winds and possible tornado that rolled through Saline for the Ann Arbor Art Fair last year? We were setting up our equipment and they had to shut the fair down."

"But we've had many outdoor performances since with wonderful weather and great audience turnout. So everyone should be prepared for a fun beautiful day with lots of great bands including Cat Canyon and the Captivators."

The RFD Boys

The RFD Boys - "The house band of Michigan bluegrass" - has been delighting Ann Arbor audiences since 1969 with musicianship and between-song humor.

The band comprises guitarist and lead singer Charlie Roehrig, Paul Shapiro, on bass and high harmonies, fiddler Dick Dieterle singing bass, and Will Spencer on baritone, banjo and Dobro.

"We're delighted to be playing Dexter Daze again, it has long been one of our favorite gigs," Roehrig says. "Always a great crowd and almost always great weather - alas, we've never won the raffle."

"While we don't have a planned song list, it's sure to

include favorites like "Rocky Top," "Fox on the Run" and "I'm My Own Grandpa." And we always finish up with the "Orange Blossom Special."

"In addition to hard driving bluegrass, we'll mix in some Hank Williams, Bob Dylan, Steve Earl and, with luck, get Dick to do some yodeling!"

With an appearance on the cover of Bluegrass Unlimited, with songs recorded by the likes of the Country Gentlemen, and with performances alongside bluegrass greats like Bill Monroe and Ralph Stanley, the RFD Boys are a part of America's bluegrass tradition.

One of southeastern Michigan's most durable musical ensembles, they're very much a local tradition, too.

In October 1969, when the RFD Boys played their first concert together, they were still University of Michigan students, and bluegrass was unknown here.

Though they turned their degrees into full-time, off-stage careers, their music has taken them all over Michigan and the Midwest, and as far away as Germany, France, and Malta.

In the last three decades they've shared stages with such greats as Bill Monroe and Ralph Stanley to Ricky Skaggs and Randy Travis.



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