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Nativity sparks talks on public spaces

Commission to develop new guidelines

By Krista Gjestland Heritage Media

Chelsea City Council began discussions on the city's policy on private use of public spaces Tuesday evening.

Currently the city has no policy regarding who can use public spaces and when.

A December incident sparked a debate when a church group wanted to use the Palmer lot downtown for a living nativity performance. The event was not -. allowed.

"Citizens of the community complained that By Erica McClain

Sharing what she found unique and important to Chelsea, Leslie Surel, owner of Surelutions, a home-based website development and graphic design company, found her niche in the community long ago.

the website Things to Do in Chelsea, as well as Chelseamich.com, a part of The Chelsea First Committee.

Leslie Surel is one of those behind-the-scenes businesses that does not seek the spotlight but has a huge impact on our business community," said Bob Pierce, the executive director of the Chelsea Area Chamber of. Commerce.

So it's only fitting that Surrel has been awarded the 2012 Small Business Leadership Award from the chamber for her efforts.

'(Surel) speaks to the essence of what being an entrepreneur is all about,' Pierce said. Her Things to Do in Chelsea website has become the calendar for the Chelsea community. She recognized a need to have events listed on the web and applied her expertise to fill that need. And, she has done it so well." , Though Surel moved to the area in 2001, Things to Do in Chelsea was not 🔎 exactly a planned project. Amazed by the amount of activities going on in the community, Surel began gathering online resources on a personal website to serve as a guide and event calendar in 2005.

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Surel is the face behind



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Above, Chelsea Area Chamber of Commere's Rick Bensen (at left) and Bob Pierce (at right) surprise Surelution's owner Leslie Surel (second from left) at Cleary's Pub. Also pictured, Pat Cleary and Emily Taylor Penix. Below, Reddeman Farms Golf Club owner Patty McCarthy stands with Chamber Vice President Bruce Szcondronski (left) and Pierce (right).

grown into a multi-page resource, and I decided to share it with friends and neighbors."

Not long after, the helsea Area Chamber of Commerce and the city began linking to Surel's webpage.



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a religious event was not permitted in a public area," said Councilmember Rod Anderson.

Disallowing the living nativity, Anderson said, is a breach of the First Amendment. He argued that a policy needs to be penned that does not discriminate between religious and secular group activities in public areas.

"I think the issue can be resolved by some sort kind of regulation-a motion, a resolution or an ordinance," he said.

City Manager John -Hanifan said the only policy on private use in public space applies specifically to farmers markets. Other events and spaces are not

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"The more I added, the more I kept finding," she said. "After those first few weeks of bookmarks, it had

"It was clearly a much-needed resource," Surel said.

In addition to her work with Chelsea First, Surel works with dozens of local clients for their digital needs, including: Silver Maples, Chelsea Center for the Arts, Cleary's, Chelsea **Community Hospital and** Moore Pediatrics to ensure their digital presence is clean and appealing.

"What I think is most enjoyable about working in Chelsea is that everybody really has their heart in it, and they're, of course,

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Catherman named band teacher of the year



Chelsea High School Band Director Rick Catherman; (left) the 2012 Michigan Band Teacher of the Year, with Garrett Ernst, president of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association at the Michigan Music Conference.

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By Crystal Hayduk Special Writer

ick Catherman, Chelsea High School's band director, was selected as the 2012 Michigan School Band and

Orchestra Association's Teacher of the Year. According to Paul Lichau,

MSBOA state executive director, Catherman is "definitely one of Michigan's finest music educators.".

The award was announced at the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids on Saturday. Jan. 21.

Catherman was the 2011. District 12 Teacher of the Year, which placed him in the run-

ning for this year's state award. Out of the 16 district nominated teachers, three are chosen as finalists by the state executive board. All members of the MSBOA then vote to select the state award winner.

Catherman is a native of Grand Ledge, who received his undergraduate degree from Michigan State University, and his master's in music education from the University of Iowa.

In 2008, Catherman became one of only three music teachers in Michigan to complete the requirements to earn national board certification.

He has served 12 of his 22 years in music education in the Chelsea School District.

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Kids Count study: Poverty threatens children's health

Child abuse and neglect in Washtenaw County jumped 17 percent over the past decade, while almost 30 percent of Washtenaw County children in kindergarten through 12th grade qualify for free and reduced price lunches, the latest Kids Count in Michigan Data Book concludes.

Michigan's long economic struggle is reflected in the new Kids Count findings.

Children qualify for school-based meals if their



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Poverty also drives up neglect cases.

"The findings show that kids in Washtenaw County and across Michigan are still suffering the fallout from our long recession," said Jane Zehnder-Merrell, the Kids Count in Michigan director at the Michigan League for Human Services, in a news release. "Poverty in Michigan

is as big a threat to our children today as polio was to a previous generation. Fortunately, we can do something about this. We know that public policy can improve children's social and economic environment."

This year's report, Health Matters, focuses on child health and the role that the social and economic factors in children's lives play in good health.

The annual Data Book is released by the Kids Count in Michigan project.

It is a collaboration between the Michigan League for Human Services, which researches and writes the report, and Michigan's Children, which works with advocates statewide to disseminate the findings. Both are nonpartisan, nonprofit advocacy organizations concerned about the well-being of children and their families.

"Children in poverty often experience hunger, abuse or neglect, extreme stress, depression or anxiety and other issues impacting their overall health, as well as their ability to learn and grow into successful adults," said Michele Corey, vice president for programs at Michigan's Children.

"The best public policies must address the whole child from cradle to career, and this data can help guide these policies."

The report ranks counties on 16 indicators of child well-being (with No. 1 being the best), though data is not available to rank smaller counties on all 16. Trends over time are available for 15 indicators, with nine indicators improving and six worsening.

Washtenaw County's best ranking was second among the counties for birth's to teens, ages 15-19, with a rate of 12.8 births per 1,000 teens compared with the statewide rate of 33.3 per 1,000.

The county also was No. 3 of 39 counties for teens deaths with a rate of 28.3 d. aths per 100,000 teens compared with the statewide rate of 55.6 per 100,000.

The county's worst ranking was 51st for babies born / to mothers receiving less than adequate prenatal care with a rate of 32.8 percent compared with the statewide rate of 29.5 percent.

Statewide, the biggest improvements were in the area of education, with fewer students considered not proficient in math and among adolescents with fewer births to teens, fewer teen deaths and fewer high school dropouts.

Michigan saw a small improvement in infant mortality between 2000 and 2009, although African American infants have triple the risk of mortality than that of white infants.

There was also a 25 percent improvement in the rate of child deaths over the decade, with 318 children (ages 1-14) dying in 2009, down from 471 in 2000.

Worsening trends included the rate of children confirmed as victims of abuse and neglect, which rose 34 percent statewide over the decade. In 2010, 32,500 Michigan children were confirmed victims, with four out of every five suffering from neglect.

In 2010, almost half of elementary and secondary public school students (46.5 percent) qualified for free or reduced price lunch, jumping from 36.2 percent in 2006.

The percent of children living in poverty jumped from 14 percent to 23 percent between 2000 and 2009.

Even more extreme is the change in the rate of children living in extreme poverty — roughly less than \$11,000 a year for a family of four. This rate jumped from 5 percent of children to 11 percent. That means that more than one in every 10 kids in Michigan is living in extremely desperate circumstances, living at half the poverty level.

Children growing up in poverty face lifelong consequences. They are less likely to graduate and more likely to suffer from heart disease, obesity and high blood pressure as adults.

"The impact of high unemployment and declining wages is leaving its mark on a generation of children," Zehnder-Merrell said. "Unfortunately, policymakers have cut family

Voters may soon consider county-wide registration fee supports aimed at bhunting the impact of the economic downturn on kids."

Recent policy decisions that negatively impact kids include:

Cutting the Michigan Earned Income Tax Credit from 20 percent of the federal credit to 6 percent. The credit has been responsible for pushing 14,000 Michigan kids out of poverty.

■ Placing stricter time limits on cash assistance for 12,000 families living in poverty, including nearly 30,000 children.

Putting asset limits on food assistance that will impact the newly unemployed and divert needed federal aid from Michigan.

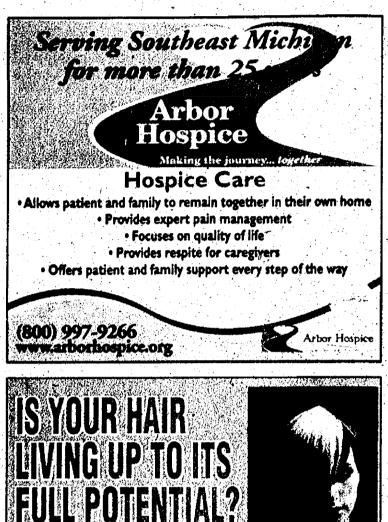
■ Reducing the traditional period of unemployment from 26 to 20 weeks. The tough labor market means half of jobless workers search six months or longer before finding employment.

Kids Count in Michigan project is part of a broad' national effort to improve conditions for children and their families.

Funding for the project is provided by the Annie E. Casey Foundation, the Detroit-based Skillman Foundation, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation, local United Ways and the Battle Creek Community Foundation.

The annual data book is available from the Michigan League for Human Services and on the web at www.milhs.org. More state and local data are available at the Kids Count Data Center: www. datacenter.kidscount.org.

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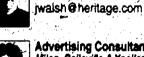
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Senator Rebekah Warren, D-Ann Arbor, introduced legislation in late January that would give local communities a voice in improving Michigan's aging transportation and

infrastructure system. Senate Bill 910, which is part of a bi-partisan package of bills designed to implement recommendations laid out by Gov. Rick Snyder in his infrastructure message last year, would allow voters to consider a county-wide registration fee for use on infrastructure investment and public transportation

and public transportation enhancements in that county.

"Investing in public transportation and infrastructure is an absolute must for attracting business to our state," said Warren in a news release.

"Our current transportation funding models are outdated and falling drastically short. Providing local communities with the tools they need to invest in robust and reliable infrastructure systems is a critical component of making Michigan competitive in

i, recruiting new and emerging industries." Warren's legislation

warren's registation would give county commission boards the ability to place language on their county ballots for voter approval of registration fee increases. The fee would not be more than \$1.80 per \$1,000 of the vehicle's list price, and ballot language would be required to describe how the proceeds would be spent. The legislation, and many of the proposals contained in Snyder's infrastructure message, concur with findings of the Transportation Funding Task Force of 2008, a bipartisan, bi-cameral group of legislators and industry leaders tasked with suggesting policies to improve economic activity and personal mobility through infrastructure investment.

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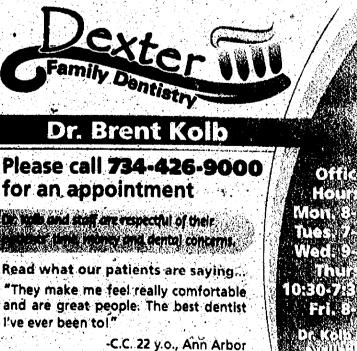
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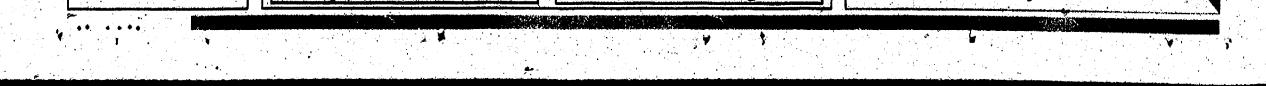
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Julie Deppner, high school principal, calls Catherman a "tireless advocate" for Chelsea's music programs.

'(He) brings a passion for learning to his classes every day," she said. "He holds a high standard for himself. and his students, while creating a learning environment of respect and caring for others.'

Music booster president Krys Pattori credits Catherman for establishing the marching band exhibition, which allows area schools to perform for the greater community in a music appreciation event that people look forward to

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focusing on improving their business, but everybody is willing to put in extra effort to help Chelsea as a whole," Surel said. "There's a lot of smart, capable people, and I think everybody is very generous with their time.'

Surel said the collaborations she has seen downtown businesses, nonprofits and community leaders seek out has been unique to Chelsea.

"Over and over I'm impressed with how people are willing to put in the extra mile for the community."

That effort is something the Ambassador's Club of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, noticed in Surel's work as well as that of Patty McCarthy, owner of Reddeman Farms Golf Club.

The club won the 2012 Large Business Leadership Award.

"Our winners demon-___ strate commitment to the business community and have the well being of our town at the core of what they do every day." Pierce each year.

According to Patton, when some of the parents wanted to start an annual Mardi Gras fundraising event, Catherman was a staunch supporter.

"Even though it would take even more of his time. for no additional pay, it was for the good of the program, so he was all for it," she said.

Besides excelling in the classroom setting, Catherman is an active member in a number of professional organizations, and is a past or present office holder in several. He is the second past-president of the MSBOA; a member of the American School **Band Directors Association** and was a member-at-large on the ASBDA National **Executive Board from**

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2008 to 2010. Catherman maintains membership in the Network of Michigan Educators and the State of Michigan Teachers Advisory Council. He currently serves as president of the Chelsea Education Association.

Catherman's students consistently earn the highest ratings at various competitive music festivals. Last April, the band earned a Superior Gold rating and the Certificate of Excellence at the National Heritage Festivals in Nashville, Tenn.

Students Nick Wilson and Jessica Craig said that his "positive attitude, dedication and determination to succeed are only a small part of what makes Mr. Catherman one of the finest directors in the state of Michigan."

of teaching music is the opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of the students. He is especially amazed to see their growth from the time he begins working with them as fifth graders until they

Catherman's favorite part

graduate, "It's a big responsibility . to teach a child over that many years." he said.

He appreciates the strong support he's received in Chelsea, from the administration, parents and community.

"Jed (Fritzemeier), Steve (Hinz) and I really enjoy working together,' Catherman said. "We rely on one another for support that makes us better teachers.'

"We are fortunate in Chelsea that we can cel-



ebrate the accomplishments of the music department - both vocal and instrumental," Catherman said. "I'm proud to be here and proud of the students' accomplishments. We need to appreciate our successes. Sometimes we take it for granted because it's always like this."

Catherman makes it clear to his students and co-workers that his first dedication is to his family. The patience, love, and support of his wife, Susie, and daughter, Olivia, have been

instrumental to both his professional success and the success of Chelsea's music program.



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Reddeman's course. "Golf teaches you more than a game but life lessons as well," McCarthy said. "We can provide that for the young people and it's great to provide them with not only that but also quite

a few golf team members have started first jobs here.' Reddeman, which was a originally a dairy farm, was purchased and converted into an 18-hole golf course and restaurant by

its original owners and eventually purchased by McCarthy and business partner Frank Darzia. McCarthy said the staff

at Reddeman does its best to help the community - whether it's through fundraising or family events. The golf club also hosted the last chamber business outing

'Chelsea is just a wonderful group of people within a loving community that supports each other and to be part of that is just wonderful," McCarthy said. "We look at it as a big family working together and recreating together and being together to support each other."

Pierce said he's always found Reddeman's cus-

Pierce said. "You can always count on Reddeman to stand ready to support organizations and events around town. Generous, friendly and positive is how I describe the staff at Reddeman."

The two businesses will officially be awarded during the Feb. 16 annual meeting for the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce. The meeting will be at the Chelsea Comfort Inn and Village Conference Center; 1645 Commerce Park Drive in Chelsea. The meeting





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said.

As the home course for Chelsea High School's girls and boys golf teams, McCarthy said it's great to see young people pick up

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"We can allow farmers markets, and that's it." he said. "We don't allow or disallow anything else."-

Councilmember Kent Martinez-Kratz said he agrees the city needs to address the lack of policy, but it is a planning commission issue. He also said the policy needs to address the finer details, such as time regulations.

"I think it's more beneficial to kick it to the planning commission to review and look at it," Martinez-Kratz said. "I think there needs to be a time limit. I think we should maybe limit them on how days or events they to take over the parking lot. I think a lot of those intricacies need to be ironed out before it goes to

a lawver." Anderson urged the Council to make it clear in the policy that religious and secular activities are not treated differently. Right now, he said, the city has an unspoken policy of discriminating against religious groups through its actions. "The current perception

is that we discriminate against religious groups holding events," Anderson said. "All I'm asking is that we don't treat religious activity different than secular activity. I'm not going to let this rest. This is going to happen. We can go the easy way, or we can go the hard

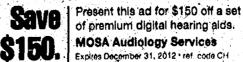
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Grief support group grows, graduates first clients

Dexter couple helped start organization

By Michelie Pattore Reims Scepta Arter

Sue Ferrell wasn't sure what to expect when she first sought help from the Ann Arbor-based nonprofit The Kite Network about a year ago to manage the grief she was experiencing from the death of her son's fiance to a drunk driver. But one thing she knows for certain is that she is coping better today.

I was a little bit worried at the beginning, wondering if I had to cry if I didn't feel like it.⁻ said the Canton resident.

"I wasn't sure what was expected of me. Anne said that talking about your feelings, talking about your grief. will help the more times you tell the story" The Anne who Ferrell was referring to is Anne Rivard, executive director of TKN, who first experienced profound grief at the age of 13 when her 17year-old sister died in a car accident. Rivard, who said she grew up quickly from that tragic experience, also said she gained a great deal of empathy toward others facing loss from it.

Rivard first joined TKN in 2010, when she trained as a counselor, and eventually took on her current role. Today, the nonprofit organization is located in an office



Anne Rivard is the executive director of The Kite Network. Rivard said her organization is there to serve people who have endured the loss of family members, miscarried pregnancies, life partners, friends or pets.

on Packard Road and offers free peer-based grief support services from trained counselors who are volunteers from the community. To date, TKN has finished counseling with two clients, has one ongoing client, and "a handful of people waiting in the wings," Rivard said.

Co-founder of TKN Julie Stotlar, along with her husband, Doug, who suffered the loss of their 6-year-old daughter. Lauren, when she was hit by a school bus in Dexter in 2000, said that she is amazed with the program's growth since its inception in 2009.

"To see how far we've come, it overwhelms me," Stotlar said about the organization that is modeled after a nonprofit named Kara in Palo Alto, Calif. "We



have come from absolutely zero – a thought that I had in the middle of the night – to a real, live flesh-and-blood organization. We are going to be able to help people who think they are never going to get out of bed again."

One person who understands and is committed to that mission is Jeff Pitts. Pitts, another co-founder of TKN along with his wife, Lisa, said that after his 2year-old son, Brandon, died from an upper respiratory virus almost eight years ago, he wasn't sure how he was going to get through his grief.

"There were days when I didn't think I could put two feet on the floor ... and



Co-founders of The Kite Network Lisa and Jeff Pitts help people cope with the loss of a loved one and still honor their memory. The Pitts lost their son, Brandon, when he was 2 years old to an upper respiratory virus.

there are days that are a little bit easier. You never know when you are going to get smacked by grief," Pitts said.

After the death of their son, both Jeff and Lisa Pitts searched for answers, attended group counseling sessions and met with therapists. Yet, according to Lisa Pitts, the couple gained the most healing by talking with others of a similar ilk – like the Stotlars – who they met through a mutual friend.

The Pitts are now, in turn, sharing their hardearned wisdom with others. Because TKN is not a professional counseling or therapy center, if people indicate a need for more comprehensive support, they will be referred to a qualified professional. "The whole key to The Kite Network is to realize that every grief journey is unique, and the best way we can provide support is to match somebody who has walked in a similar path with someone who is seeking support," Jeff Pitts said. "We're not trying to be adjunct therapists. We are just experts on compassionate listening."

For Lisa Pitts, who has since given birth to 6 year old twins, Benjamin and Noah, she believes that people struggling with loss can learn to manage their grief and continue on with their lives while still honoring the memory of their loved one.

"This is for whatever reason the journey that we are on, so we are trying to make the best of it. It's getting better because we are doing _ things like this to help others," Lisa Pitts said.

For Ferrell, one of the first clients to graduate from the new program, she is grateful that TKN was there to help her "live life again."

"Just looking back, it was such a miracle," Ferrell said.

People in Washtenaw County and the surrounding areas interested in learning more about TKN's grief counseling services are encouraged to contact TKN at 734-761-8213 on visit them online at thekitenetwork.org. Volunteer positions are also available with applications that can be found online.

President focuses on education while visiting Ann Arbor

By Ecica McClain merrage Media

Education is not a luxury today but an economic imperative. President Barack Obama told a crowd of 4.000 people Jan. 27 at the University of Michigan Al Glick Fieldhouse.

But that opportunity for higher education is no longer available to everyone.

"Student loan debt has now surpassed credit debt." Obama said. "Think about that. That's inexcusable. Sixty percent of jobs require a bachelor's degree."

In an effort to incentivize universities. Obama announced, during his U of M speech, a Race to the Top program for college affordability that would include the College Scorecard, a fact sheet on all universities so parents and their children could know before they owe.

"We should push cofleges to do better." Obama said. "We should hold them accountable if they don't. and states have to do their part by making higher education a higher priority in their budgets."

The \$1 billion proposed program would reward colleges that set responsible tuition policies, providegood value to students and families and graduate a relatively higher number of low-income. Pell granteligible students. Colleges that do not follow the guidelines would receive less federal aid.

Obama reiterated the importance of stopping college loan interest rates from doubling this July. when the College Cost Reduction and Access Act. which lowered loan rates from 6.8 percent to 3.4 percent in 2007, will expire. Should the interest rate be allowed to return to 6.8 percent, a student paying a \$23,000 Stafford loan would pay back \$11,000 in interest on a 20-year repayment plan.

The president's Race to the Top program would increase campus based



aid to \$10 billion annually and would be driven by an increase in federal Perkins loans, which are needbased and set at a 5 percent interest rate.

"But it's not enough to increase student aid," Obama said. "Tuition has gone up faster than inflation, faster than even health care." U of M's Office of Financial Aid estimates that a school year at the university as a fulltime freshman or sophomore costs \$25,204, with \$12,634 making up tuition costs alone. For fulltime graduate students, tuition increases to nearly \$19,000. A little less than half of students receive need-based financial aid, according to U.S. News and World Report, and the school tops the charts for public universities in the country with the most expensive out-of-state tuition fees at \$36,163.

The university's tuition rate increased by 6.7 percent this past fall after Gov. Rick Snyder told public universities to keep the rate below 7 percent or face funding cuts.

However, the rising cost of tuition is only exacerbated by state cuts, Obama said.

"Last year, over 30 states cut their higher education budget," he said. "We're challenging states to take responsibility today."

Obama spoke candidly about his own college experience to a crowd containing droves of U of M students.

"Tm only standing here today because scholarships gave me the decent shot to pay back my school loans," he said. "Your president and your first lady were in your shoes not that long ago, We didn't come from wealthy families. The only reason we were able to achieve what we were able to achieve is because of our great education. That's the only reason. We could not have done that unless we lived in a country that made a commitment to opening up that opportunity to all people."

Obama called upon the resounding term of "shared responsibility" for America to succeed in the transition from the industrial age to an information age that is forcing many to return to school.

U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow released a statement shortly after the president's speech, citing the need to help middle-class families make ends meet

"We must do everything we can to make sure college is affordable for Michigan families," Stabenow said. "Forging new partnerships between our colleges, universities and businesses to train workers for new high-tech jobs is also vital to transforming Michigan's economy to create new jobs, and I was pleased to hear President Obama focus on these priorities."

Obama said everyone had to do their part for the country's education reform to succeed.

"Everybody's here because somebody did something along the way," Obama said. "Now, it's our turn to be responsible. Now it's our turn to make an America that's built to last."

The president said it's not about begrudging the wealth of the United States, but "we make sure that everyone comes along with us, and we make sure everybody has the chance to get ahead."

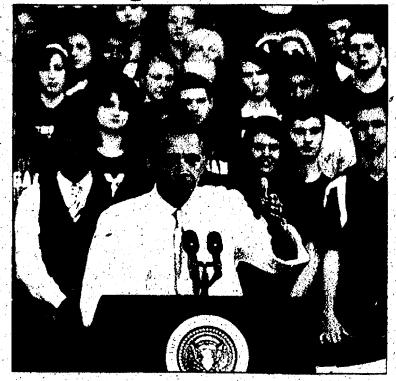


Photo by Doug Bauman

President Barack Obama made education the focus of his speech in Ann Arbor.

GUEST COLUMN: By Diane Kyte The day I met the president

I received a ticket to see President Obama speak Friday as a gesture of appreciation for my work with Chelsea Area for Obama toward his re-election.

Friday finally arrived. I left Chelsea early in the morning for Ann Arbor to get ahead of the crowd and the closing of streets. When we got there, we came upon police officers standing at barrels detouring traffic. We asked where we could park and they asked to see our admission tickets. We parked and headed for Glick Fieldhouse, where people were already forming a line inside the perimeter of the field.

Everyone was giddy with anticipation — even the sleet and wind couldn't chill our excitement. The line wrapped around the field three times. We finally made it to the tables where everyone was emptying their pockets of cell phones, picture ID — everything had to be presented for inspection. It was just like airport security without the luggage.

port security without the luggage. We proceeded through the front door, but couldn't really see anything because the bleachers blocked our view of the interior of the building. A woman at the door directed us to the left. As we walked around the bleachers, much to our surprise, we came to an area separated with mesh fencing. The area wrapped around the podium. We were seated in the second row in front of President Obama's podium. We were so close during his speech that we could make eye contact with him. It was an inspiring speech in which he played it by "ear," making warm return comments as kind gestures were spontaneously shouted to him.

Someone said, "We love you Mr. President," and he said, "Back at ya," Someone else asked him to extend a belated wish to Michelle Obama for them, and he said he would.

The president never missed a beat in his speech, which appeared to us to be spontaneous and not read word for word from a teleprompter.

What impressed me the most is how he encouraged the young people in the audience and expressed empathy for how expensive education has become. He related how he and Michelle came from financially challenged backgrounds as college students and had not too long ago finished paying off their student loans.

I was up very close and could I see his expressions as he spoke. I truly got the impression of true sincerity.

Just before he began his speech, the Secret Service told us he would shake our hands after he speaks if we extended a bare arm.

When he made his way around the front rows, I reached, and he shook my hand.

"We are working very hard to make it another four years, Mr. President," I said.

He said, "Keep up the good . work."

It was a great experience. My grandchildren said later that they wanted to shake the hand that shook the hand of the president of the United States. And they did.

Diane Kyte is a Chelsea resident. If you want to share your experience or write a guest column, email mrogers@heritage, com.

Two candidates begin campaign for judgeship

By Sean Dalton Heritage Media

Two candidates for available Washtenaw **County Circuit Court** judgeships have announced their candidacies.

Attorneys James Fink and Douglas McClure announced well in advance of the May 1 filing deadline their intentions of v sitting the bench at the behest of voters in the Aug. 7 primary later this year.

The following November election will decide who takes the place of judges Timothy Connors, Melinda Morris and Darlene O'Brien, whose terms are up in January 2013. Fink practices law in Ann Arbor, while residing in Ypsilanti with his wife, Beth. He earned his law degree studying at the Detroit College of Law while working the last years of his two-

decade-long career at the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, during which he rose through the ranks to Police Services commander.

McClure, a partner with Ann Arbor-based Conlin, McKenney & Philbrick. PC, for 20 years, presents himself as a candidate for the environment and for improving the "legal system's access to justice." He is a Berkeley Law School graduate and got his start in law working in Chicago before coming to Washtenaw County to work for his current. employer in 1991. He is director-at-large of the Washtenaw County Bar Association and works with the Ann Arbor Area **Community Foundation** on measures to make legal representation available to the poor.

Fink put his assessment of self-worth as a candidate for judgeship by expressing his understand-

ing of the importance of judges

'Judges affect peoples' lives every day," he said. "A good judge ensures that everyone's rights are protected and that all receive equal justice under the law.

; Fink comes from a family of lawyers, going back to his father, the late Robert V. Fink, and his brother, Karl'V. Fink, both of whom served in Washtenaw County courts.

McClure said his environmental focus gives him an edge in a county comprised of both environmentally conscious urban , and rural citizens, who, despite differing lifestyles, share that single value.

"My 20 years with (my firm) gives me a broad and deep background in the law, as well as a commitment to public service and our community," he said, adding that he is serving a second term on the county's

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and as a committee member of Ann Arbor's Solid Waste Plan Update committee. Fink counts the county's Water

Resources Commissioner Janis Bobrin and Menlo Innovations President Rich Sheridan as his campaign co-chairs. "I have known and

worked with Jim for over 20 years - in county government, in his capacity as an attorney working for local government, and together on the Dawn Farm Board," Bobrin said. "His intelligence, integ-rity, and dedication to the citizens of Washtenaw County are attributes that will make him an out-

standing judge. Sheridan added: "I am thrilled and honored to be part of Jim Fink's committee ... I have known Jim most of my time here in Ann Arbor. His character, integrity, and experience will make a wonderful

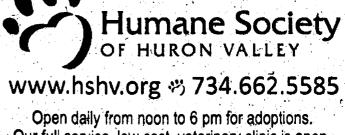
judge (and) his commitment to our community is tangible and profound."

McClure has his own silent endorsements in the form of achievements, such as being four-time "Super Lawyer," in 2011 being named a Fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation "for outstanding legal ability, devotion to the public and support of the public service ideals of the (foundation),' and having the highest peer-review rating by Martindale-Hubbell.

Endorsee and State Senate Minority Leader. Gretchen Whitmer, said

of McClure: "Over the last 225 years, Doug has championed protections for our citizens and our environment. As a layer, a professor, a volunteer and a dad. Doug conducts himself with compassion and integrity. I continue to be impressed by his dedication to helping others and his conviction to stand up for what he believes in."

As of publish no candidates have filed their applications for the election. Fink and McClure are the only two candidates who have informally announced their intention



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826michigan offers 'The Love Hangover' Feb. 15

Writing and tutoring center 826michigan offers the perfect solution to your love woes with The Love Hangover, a mini-music festival featuring unconventional covers of famous love songs.

The Love Hangover will be held 7 p.m. Feb. 15 at Woodruff's Bar in **Ypsilanti.** Proceeds from the event benefit local nonprofit 826michigan and the Huron River Arts Initiative, known as HuRAI.

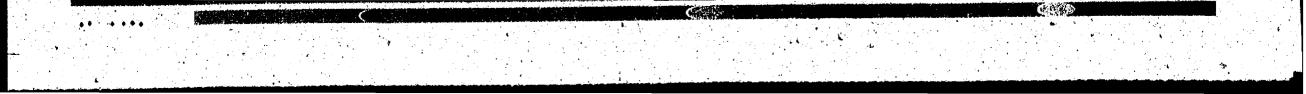
The Huron River Arts Initiative, or HuRAI!, is a network of creative people based in Ann Arbor and

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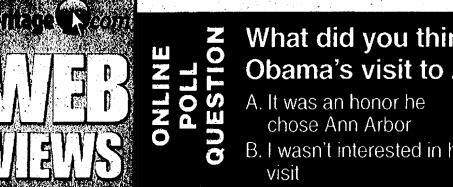


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Thursday, February 2, 2012



What did you think of President **Obama's visit to Ann Arbor?**

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Snyder doesn't show bold leadership in lackluster State of the State speech

y, oh my, the boo birds were out in force taking potshots at Gov. **Rick Snyder for** a rather lackluster perfor-

mance during his second State of the State missive. He was off 🗽

his game, but he confirmed again that he is not a career politician and oratory is not his strong suit. Forever the certified public accountant. even he confided before the address, "I'm going to be boring." And now

he is thinking about scrapping the speech altogether for next year.

Even though he had a bunch of flubs, like suggesting that Dan Musser was 125 years old, when in reality his Grand Hotel is that age, voters did not. hire Snyder to be a great

Hey he gives one major speech a year, so it's not the end of the world. What is more troubling *

was his lack of candor in the address on what he proposes for the

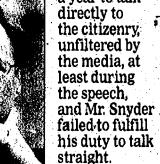
new year. Governors get one shot a year to talk

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For a moment there, it seemed like he had

regressed into his campaign mode, where he rarely talked about specific stances on issues. Rather, he glossed over them with vague generalities such as "I'm for education.'

Who the heck isn't?-But there he was on are left holding the bag. So what did the governor provide on that?

"Let's address that important topic." Ugh.

Or how about his \$1.4 billion plan to fix Michigan's sagging and World War II rotting road system?

He timidly suggests lawmakers "hold hearings on bills that will give Michigan a transportation system for the 21st century."

Don't kid yourself. The governor knows where he wants to go on this. which includes increases in your car registration fees, but rather than level with motorists on that, he called for hearings.

In his defense he explains that he does not want to endorse this plan or that just yet because it would "galvanize" the opposition from the opening bell.

His buddies in the business community, after lapping up a nifty \$1.8 billion tax cut last year, were back at the head of the line asking for more tax relief, and there's the governor right with them. However, to grant that additional relief, the governor would take \$800

million away from local governments. Rather than lay out a way to do it, he offered only this: "We need a long-term solution.'

Even though he is still somewhat of a rookie governor, it's a time-honored tradition that governors propose (hopefully, with specifics) and then lawmakers dispose.

There was no meat on his proposals in that speech. Now his defenders will rightfully suggest that eventually he will provide the details in his budget next month, but there won't be a statewide TV audience when he does it.

So in this respect, the consummate noncareer politician is acting just like previous careerpolitician governors who acted exactly the same way. They never

delivered any tough medicine when everyone was looking; they did it when the public was not.

It's a mighty stretch to

OUR TAKE: Editorial Government ought to look at consolidating many services

onsolidation of municipal and school services wherever possible has seemed like a no-brainer. But some studies suggest it isn't always the case.

Very good brains may conclude the savings

are illusory or won't show up for years. To get the biggest bang for the buck, it has seemed to us, local governments should go where the biggest bucks are. The greatest savings ought to be found through consolidating services that make up the biggest parts of a budget, such as police and fire.

What we've seen is a tendency to pick low-hanging fruit: Consolidating neighboring communities' police and fire dispatch services has been carried out among several over the years.

Well, maybe the difficulties to consolidation of more expensive services are political. It can't be easy to work actively toward diluting the identity of an important service, one important to a community's identity, by merging it with another community's service.

Surely that reluctance could color the more objective financial analyses. Couldn't it? Maybe. Maybe not.

Some communities are taking a look at combining fire services. Ferndale and Hazel Park have said they expect to decide this year if they'll consolidate their fire departments. They have in hand a detailed analysis of the potential merger, conducted by an Oregon company.

The savings aren't immediate. That's not necessarily discouraging. Both fire chiefs plan to discuss the matter with their city councils. Negotiations, if they happen, might be carried by the consulting firm that conducted the study Ferndale Chief Kevin Sullivan said savings might not materialize for a decade.

Ferndale a few years ago participated in another fire department consolidation study with Hazel Park, Royal Oak and Madison Heights. Hazel Park opted out of discussions. The effort among the remaining three was dropped, although the communities tightened up their mutual aid, automatically sending a truck and crew to a structure fire in the neighboring city. State legislation that offers more state funding to communities that find savings via consolidation of services or other innovative means over time should prompt more such studies, But we apparently shouldn't be too optimistic that

speechmaker.

"You hired me to be governor," he is fond of say-ing, and most folks could give two hoots about his struggles to be an inspiring public speaker.

the issue of including insurance coverage for autistic children. It's a contentious issue as business does not want to foot the cost and parents with those special-needs kids

describe that as bold leadership.

Tim Skubick is the host of the TV show "Off the Record" and blogs regularly at MiCentral at TheNewsHerald.com.

savings are easily captured.

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Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Tax plan helps corporations at the expense of state's seniors

My state representative, Mark Ouimet, recently wrote an opinion column titled "New plan treats income of retirees just like

that of working seniors." In his piece, he explained the new tax on the pensions of Michigan senior citizens that goes into effect this year. However, Ouimet left a couple of things out of his explanation. First, this new tax will cost Michigan seniors \$225 million in 2012 and \$343 million in 2013.

These increased revenues, paid in part by this new tax on our state's seniors, are being used to fund a tax break for businesses to the tune of \$1.6 billion by 2013. Another \$1 billion was stripped out of our statewide school funding. On top of this, many seniors will take an additional hit from the new Republican budget as the Homestead Property Tax Credit is reduced by \$200 million. Ouimet seems to suggest that retirees will simply need to start working again to make ends meet —all to fund billions in tax

breaks for corporations. Second, while Ouimet

acknowledges that the intent is to make business taxes so low that companies will move to Michigan, he fails note that low taxes are simply not enough. What attracts businesses to a state far more successfully is to build communities; vibrant communities with good educational opportunities and amenities businesses desire.

Dan Gilmartin, executive director of the Michigan Municipal League, describes this as "The Economics of Place."

In an interview last fall, Gilmartin said tax incen-

tives are "not a good longterm sustainable economic development strategy"

He continued: "It puts communities and regions in competition with each other instead of promoting regional cooperation. We need to foster a more entre: preneurial environment, encouraging the growth of businesses by ones and twos where they will invest in the community. We have learned that we need to think more regionally, support more home grown businesses for long-term sustainability."

Attracting sustainable economic growth in Michigan is not simply a matter of lowering taxes, particularly if it is paid for on the backs of students and . senior citizens.

Ouimet and his Republican colleagues continue to pursue a failed agenda that favors corporations and wealthy Michiganders at the expense of our most vulnerable citizens. Meanwhile, those in the upper income brackets, the so-called "1 percent"; con-tinue to enjoy opportunities and tax breaks not available to most of us, often paying significantly lower tax rates than "the 99 percent".

At the end of the day, we should be striving to rebuild our communities, support our seniors, invest in education, and prioritize the renewal of our urban areas.

As President Obama put it so well in his State of the Union address this week, this is not an issue of class warfare or envy; it is an issue of fairness.

A race-to-the-bottom approach involving only cutting taxes is not the answer to reviving Michigan's economy, no matter how friendly a face Representative Ouimet and our Republican legislators try to put on it. Chris Savage

GRANT APPLICATIONS, PRIVACY REGULATIONS, LIABILTY INSURANCE FEES. IT WAS MUCH EASIER TO BE A MAD SCIENTIST IN THE OLD DAYS..."

GUEST COLUMN: By Erica Perdue Social media mania: A look at Facebook

Facebook.

Well, most of us know. about it already. If you don't use it, I'm sure you've heard plenty about it.

This social media craze was founded nearly eight years ago. It was started by college students, and those were the only people who used it for a few years. Since then, it has taken over and in a way created the social media phenomenon we live in now

From posting your own status about anything you want to creeping on pictures of an old high school classmate to seeing what comments are being made about pretty much any topic in the world, Facebook captured the attention of students, adults, professionals, businesses and worldwide corporations.

It connects people who are far from each other and allows people to choose to let others invade their privacy.

However, it has become an immensely important tool in the journalism field. That became a big statement last year with the revolutions in Tunisia and Egypt and the uprising that Blitzer. the use of Facebook created during those times.

Activist Wael Ghonim told CNN after Egyptian President Hosni Mubarakstepped down that he credits Facebook with the success of the Egyptian people's uprising.

"I want to meet Mark Zuckerberg one day and thank him ... I'm talking on behalf of Egypt.... This revolution started online. This revolution started on Facebook. This revolution started ... in June 2010 when hundreds of thousands of Egyptians started collaborating content. We would post a video on Facebook that would be shared by 60,000 people on

their walls within a few hours. I've always said that amount of viewers when we if you want to liberate a society, just give them the Internet."— Ghonim in an interview with CNN's Wolf

Wild, right? It's remarkable, really.

Now, back here at Heritage Media, and at every media outlet across the country, we're using it to promote our stories.

The "sharing" tool moved that right along. By posting a story on-Facebook, it can be commented on with ease while people are scrolling through the news feed. It can simply be "liked" or it can be "shared." When it's shared, it posts onto the Facebook wall of the person who shared it. Then that gives the story more opportunities to be read than if it is just on one wall.

We gain a significant post stories on Facebook.

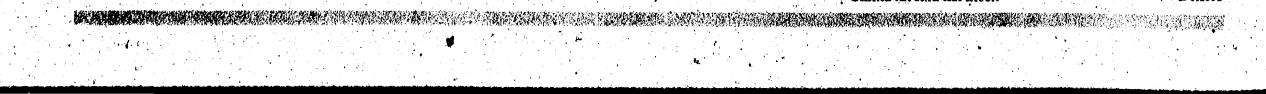
It's also a great way to communicate with readers, crowdsource and gather an idea of what a portion of our readers are thinking/ feeling.

Facebook has been the social media hit for the last several years. However, it has mentioned talk of advertising showing up in news feed, which will immediately turn off people from it.

How long will Facebook be the King of Social Media? No one can really say. But, there's no doubt that it has. held the crown for years and changed the way we communicate, relate and - in a way -how we live.

Erica Perdue is a staff writer for Heritage Media. She writes about the life of a young, fresh-out-of-college journalist.





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Marlene Beck featured at Chelsea Antiques

By Crystal Hayduk Special Writer

Marlene Beck has paintings on display in five different locations, as well as at the Chelsea Antiques Mall as February's artist of the month, but she humbly describes herself as a hobbyist rather than an artist.

Beck explored art during her education from childhood through her teaching degree from Central Michigan University. But marriage, family, and a 26 year career as an educator took priority in her life. It wasn't until retirement that she had the time

Marlene Beck

and energy to pursue art again. Beck's friend, Neta

Mills, encouraged her to take a watercolor painting class at Chelsea Center for the Arts. "I dove right in, purchasing everything on the long materials list of professional paints and paper and brushes needed for the class," she said. With all of her supplies at hand. Book bogon taking hand, Beck began taking both drawing and paint-ing classes at the CCA and other local venues.

Beck has painted with a variety of media, including oils and acrylics, but she kept returning to watercolors, "After some soul searching, I realized that watercolor paintings were the paintings I was most attracted to, and

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therefore the medium I would actively pursue," she said. Presently, she is most interested in painting landscapes.

Watercolor painting and taking classes to enhance my skills has become my retirement hobby," Beck said. She considers it a treat to attend the Artists Teaching Artists classes at CCA where she is able to receive suggestions from her artist friends, which are then reflected in her work. **Chelsea** Center for

the Arts has given Beck what she considers "...the perfect combination of encouragement, lessons,

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the CAGC service area and not every applicant may receive funding. All grant recipients

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and a stimulating setting" for developing her creativ-ity. She is willing to take almost any drawing or painting class available if taught by someone whose work she admires.

While she specifically credits a number of teachers she has studied under as an adult, Beck believes that much of the refinement of her art comes from her peers who "patiently critique" her work. "We are all espe-cially fortunate to be mentored by the talented local art teacher, Janet Alford, and by Rose Bradley." she said. Both Alford and Bradley are members of the Artists Teaching A

sponsoring a Coat and Canned Food Drive Feb. 3

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Artists group that meets on Thursdays at the CCA.

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Beck's husband Jim provides Marlene with the support and encouragement that helps her to maintain her enthusiasm for painting.

Beck's paintings will be on display at the Antiques Mall at 1178 South M-52 throughout the month of February

They can also be seen in Chelsea at the CCA; Dr. James Alford's office, and Dr. Rebecca Patrias' office; in Ann Arbor at the Polo Fields Clubhouse; and in the Upper Peninsula at the Naubinway Internet Café.

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"Around Town with Linda" features interviews conducted by the local host Linda Meloche.

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

A new interview begins every Friday evening and runs for a week. The guests all live or work in Chelsea, and everyone connected with the show is a volunteer. Previous shows are available to view at McKune Memorial Library or online at http://storiesofchelsea.org.

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Class starting dates range from Feb. 9 to May 23. Registrations will be conducted by mail in only and are processed in the order they are received until class limits are reached. Visit www.adultlearnersinstitute.org or call 734-433-1000, ext.7358, for more information.

Chelsea Area **Garden Club offers** local grants

The Chelsea Area Garden Club is offering a limited number of grants, \$500 or less, to local nonprofit organizations or individuals. Applications will be accepted beginning Jan. 15 and must be postmarked no later than Feb. 29. Projects should match the club's goals to promote

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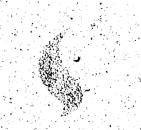
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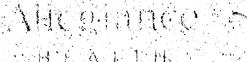
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Ross Mullican (clockwise from left), Kevin Johnson, Tim Johnson, Brad Ray and Matt Beatty search for answers during a trivia contest at the Broadcast Booth in Allen Park.

Trivia Night a draw for area restaurants

By Scott Held

What actor held the top ¬ - ranking on IMDB.com for six of the last seven years? A group of friends were stumped by that one last week, but it was rare. The seven don't miss many.

Brad Ray and Tim Johnson of Lincoln Park, along with Ross Mullican of Allen Park, Matt Beatty and fiancee Lauren Stier of Royal Oak, Kevin Johnson and Chris Bentley of Brownstown Township met each other almost a year ago while playing trivia and quickly realized they were better when playing together

Teaming up took them to the top five in a state competition.

My brother took me. here one night and we really had a good time." said Ray, a salesman and

license the game, in this case it's Team Trivia, and puts up the prizes. At the Broadcast Booth, winning teams get a \$30 gift certificate

'It works out pretty good for us," Ray said. "The gift certificate usually pays for the food each week when we come back."

And it seems like the tradeoff works out pretty well for the restaurant. Nine teams were playing one recent night and it seemed like all of them had drinks and or food on the tables.

The game is relatively simple. Players are asked nine questions in the first round and can assign point values to their answers based on their confidence.

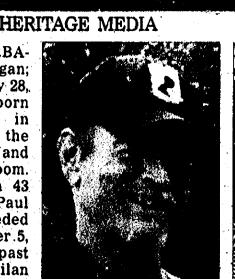
There's a chance for bonus points with a halftime question and nine more questions — with higher point values — set the stage for a final guess, where teams can wager points. Team Trivia's website offers a hint and, naturally, at least one member of the team makes sure to look for it before they meet up each week. Check Out the Big Brain on Brad wins more often than it loses at the Broadcast Booth, mostly because the players range in age from 25 to 50. Put the seven together and it seems that everyone knows a little something about most everything. That's kind of the cool thing," Kevin Johnson said." "I don't think anyone could do this by themselves, but when you put us all together, we all know some pretty useless stuff." In case you were wondering, the answer was Johnny Depp. 'The Broadcast Booth's trivia night begins at 8 p.m. Mondays. Learn more about Team Trivia at www.teamtriviami.com. Reporter Scott Held can be reached at 1-734-246-0865 or sheld@heritage. com. Follow him on Twitter @ScottHeld45.



BARBA-ATKINSON, RA; Milan, Michigan; age 66; died January 28, 2012. She was born January 14, 1946 in Pennsylvania; the daughter of Harry and Mildred Hoffenbloom. Barbara enjoyed a 43 year marriage to Paul Atkinson who preceded her in death October 5, 2011. She was a past president of the Milan Library Board and was a long time member of vived by her lifelong Streeter Dolezel: godson Jason (April) Dolezel and their children, Natalie and Carson. Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Lois. Visitation will be Saturday, February 4, 2012 from 10 to 11 a.m., where funeral services will be at 11 a.m. at Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home, Milan, burial following at Marble Park Cemetery, Milan, Michigan. Contributions may be made to Friends of the Milan Library or the Donor's Choice

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DAPPRICH, and Vietnam War on (Amy) Dapprich of children, Hunter, Dillon, Jack, Caralyn, Alayna and Jayden; also surviving are his parents, Wilbur and Arlene Dapprich of Temperance, MI; his sisters, Vickie (Cliff) Buffett of (Robbie) Blair of Oakley, CA, Darlene (Bob) Liedel of Ida, MI; and several nieces and nephews. A Life Cele-



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THOMAS KEUSCH, MADELEINE both the Women's Club L.; Howell, MI; Tom L.; of Chelsea, MI; age and Friends of the Mi- passed away Thursday, 104; passed away on lan Library, where she January 26, 2012 at his Friday, January 27, 2012 acted as treasurer. Bar- home with family. He at Silver Maples of bara was also very ac- was born December 10, Chelsea. She was born OH, the daughter of tive with the City of Mi- 1950 in Saline, MI to on February 2, 1907 in lan where she served as Wilbur and Arlene Alpena, MI, the daughchairman of the elec- (Green) Dapprich. He ter of Arthur L. and Vetion board. She is sur- married Dale Anna nolda (Daigle) Boilore. they She had lived in the friends, Anita and Ted shared 23 years togeth- area since 1931, coming er. Tom served in the from Fenton and Alpe-U.S. Army during the na. She attended Ypsi- Gamma Delta sorority and lanti Normal College, owned his own custom received her teaching flooring business. He is certificate, and then ciety). She married her survived by his wife, taught public school for Dale; his children, Bar- Grosse Pointe Country Day and Chelsea Dis-Milan, MI and Heidi trict until 1940. On Oc-(Adam) Bemis of Ce- tober 5, 1940 she marment City, MI; grand- ried John P. Keusch and that afternoon they attended a University of Michigan Football game. She was the La- her career to raise a dies Club Champion of family and be a help-**Inverness Country Club** in 1971, enjoyed playing owned the Ann Arbor cards, and was a mem-Brighton, MI, Linda ber of St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea, where she was also a member of the Altar Society. She is survived by her husband. John **P**. bration will be held on Keusch of Chelsea; her Friday, Feburary 3, nieces and nephews: 2012. Friends may visit Eugene (Shirley) Boibegining at 11 a.m., a lore, Thomas (Pattijoe) Memorial Service will Boilore, Michelle Boi- bridge, and travel. She be held at 12 Noon, at lore, William Boilore, loved life and looked the Howell Masonic Marilyn Dippel, Su-forward to new chal-Temple, 401 W- Grand zanne (Garnett) Basti- lenges and adventures. MI. en, Mary (George) Her indomitable spirit Luncheon immediately Condy, Robert (Jan) Wefollowing: In lieu of ber, and Edwin (There- ly and friends. Everett flowers, memorials in sa) Weber; and her predeceased her in to the Paralyzed Vete- dren: Anna, Caroline, High Point, NC in 1980 rans of America or to Rebecca, and Jessica where she served as the family. Arrange- Flintoft. She was prements made with Hyatt ceded in death by her Ellen **M**. Keusch Rowen, and her siblings: Eugene, Irene, Christina, Avor, Rina, Celina, and Conrad, Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, January 30, 2012 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea with Rev. Dr. William J. Turner, celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Chelsea. Expressions of sympathy may be made to St. FL, and Sara Hester Mary Catholic Church (Oma) of New Bern, NC; or the Arbor Hospice and one son, Don Esch Foundation. The family (Sherry) of Westlake, will receive friends at OH. She is also surthe Staffan-Mitchell Fu- vived by eight beloved neral Home, Chelsea on grandchildren, Derek Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Johnson (Heidi Rahn) and 6 to 8 p.m. with Ro- of Portland, OR, Jennisary at 7:30 p.m.



HELEN STEWART (Esch); Tampa, FL, formerly of Saline, MI. Helen (Esch) Stewart; aged 91; passed away on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 in Tampa, Florida. She was born on January 29, 1920 in Akron, Samuel and Maude (Hatton) Bryant. She graduated cum laude from the University of Akron in 1942 with a **B.A.** in Education and was a member of Alpha and Kappa Delta Pi (teacher's honorary sohigh school sweetheart, Everett D. Esch in 1941 and moved to Saline, MI in 1942 where she resided for 39 years. She taught elementary school students for the Saline Public Schools for five years and left mate to Everett who Aero Service, and later served as an executive for Hoover Universal Corporation. She was active in the First United Methodist Church of Saline and the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter #311. Helen loved reading and poetry, gardening, needlework, brought joy to her famigrandchil- 1970. She moved to President of the Furniture City Women's Club. She retired to Venice, FL in 1988 and married **Richard Stewart** of Chatham, MA in 1991. Richard passed away in 2011. She loved her family dearly and will be lovingly remembered. Helen is survived by four daughters, Martha Esch of Grand Rapids, 'MI, Kathryn Pearce (Jim) of San Diego, CA, Ruth Levant (Lee) of Tampa, fer Hirt (Brian) of Englewood, CO, Sarah Levant of San Francisco, CA, Forrest and Dalton Hester of New Bern, NC, and Megan, Emma and Abby Esch of Westlake, OH; as well as two great grandchildren, Calvin Johnson and Alexandra Hirt. She is also survived by her sister, Ruth Westerinen of Portland, OR; and many nieces and nephews, A private Graveside Service was held at Oakwood Cemetery in Saline, at which Rev. Dr. James E. Tuttle officiated. Memorial tributes may be made 🐃 to Life Path Hospice, 12973 N. Telecom Parkway, Temple Terrace, FL 33637. Arrangements were entrusted to the Robison-Bahnmiller Funeral Home, Saline. To sign Helen's guestbook or to leave a

substitute teacher by day. "Over time, different people brought different,

people and we all met and decided it made a good regular group.

The team — dubbed Check Out the Big Brain on Brad — fared well enough in Allen Park that it qualified for a state tournament in Clinton Township. First prize was \$1,500, but they had to settle for fifth, gift certificate to a chain restaurant.

So they didn't reach the mountaintop at the big match, but who cares? It's still fun:

"It's something you look forward to each week," said Tim Johnson, the senior member of the group who earned his nickname "Hoss" after answering an obscure question about

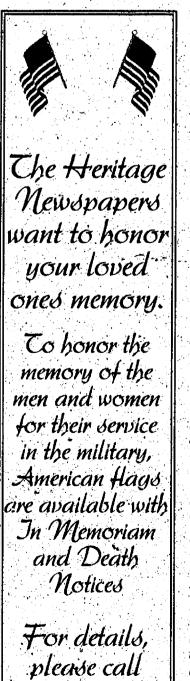
"Bonanza" during a game. "The food's good and everyone has a good time."

Trivia nights aren't much different than karaoke or other midweek promotions in the bar/restaurant business — they're great ways to draw customers on slow nights.

Typically, establishments pay a fee to companies that

KOEBLE. NANCY "Johns"; formerly of Dexter: died January 26, 2012 in her beloved Florida, Survived by daughters, Laurel Lahr and Michelle Schlaff; granddaughters, Jessica and Britney Lahr and Danielle and Micayla Schlaff; sister, Marilee Slicker; sisterin-law, Judy Johns; niece and nephew, Stacey and Ken Johns. Dobies Funeral Home, Tarpon Springs FL (877) 769-7555.

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Howell. River, his name may be made honorary Ewald Funeral Home daughter, Inc., Bay City, MI.

EISEMANN, BEVERLY ANN: Manchester, MI. age 79; went home to be with the Lord on Friday, January 27, 2012, at Arbor Hospice. She was born July 28, 1932 in Chelsea, MI, the daughter of Guy L. and Gladys I. (Pfeifle) Weatherwax. Beverly was a member of the Chelsea Free Methodist Church. She was a dedicated wife, mother and homemaker. On July 28, 1951, she married Donald E. Eisemann in Chelsea, and he survives. Other survivors include three daughters, Terri (Thomas) Eder of Chelsea, Jan (Scott) Tanner of Grass-Lake, and Karin (Tony) Rettig of Dexter; a sister, Sonja Wackenhut; a dear companion and caregiver, Marcia Hawker; seven grandchildren, Michael (Constance) Eder, Mark Eder, Jason (April) Lantis, Brian (Lauren) Lantis, Paul Weir, Jessica (Adam) Nicholl, and Lindsay Rettig; five greatgrandchildren, David, Jack, and Nicholas Eder, Trevor Lantis, Asher Lantis; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Douglas Weatherwax; and a sister, Lorraine Benjamin. A private Funeral was held at Cole Funeral Chapel, with Rev. Jeff Ford officiating. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea. Memorial contributions may be made to Chelsea Free Methodist Church or Arbor

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Sadly the Humphrey Family lost one of their own January 4, 2012. We would like to thank everyone for all their well wishes and prayers during this period of grieving. For all they have done, Melvin Humphrey would like to give a special thanks to the Milan Road Angels, Greg Hicks, Bill Petosky and Danny

Trammel. With the support of our family and friends we will make it through this difficult time. Rest in peace

Bryan M. Humphrey Oct. 30, 1986 ~ Jan. 4, 2012 You are gone, but not forgotten and forever in our heart!

memory visit http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/annerbor/ or for more information please call 1-734-429-9760 or visit

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Penny Seats Theatre to stage 'What Corbin Knew'

The Penny Seats Theatre Co. will double its. offerings this year, staging winter and summer shows, each for a threeweek run.

Up first is Jeffrey Hatcher's "What Corbin Knew," a story with twists, by the playwright of "A Picasso;" recently seen at Performance Network, as well as "Tuesdays with Morrie" and "The Turn of the Screw."

"What Corbin Knew" will be performed at 7 p.m. on Feb, 28 and 29, March 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14 at Performance Network's second stage.

- Corbin, an architect and affable fellow, invites two very different couples to join him for a show. Things go from uncomfortable and snarky to frenzied and violent, and; by the end of the first act, someone gets shot. But act two turns the same events around, showing that what Corbin - and the audience thought they knew is only half the story. Adding a winter show

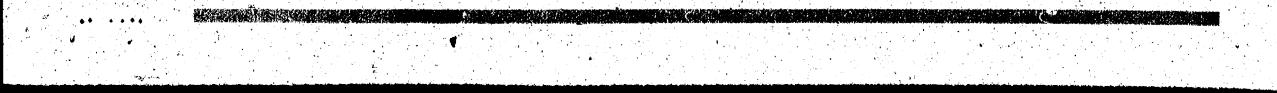
to the repertoire and a new partnership with Performance Network Theatre are recent developments for Penny Seats.

PNT approached The Penny Seats with a profitsharing idea, under which The Penny Seats will stage "What Corbin Knew" at PNT's second stage, and the two companies will split the box office take.

"I was thrilled," said Penny Seats President Lauren London in a news release.

'PNT is essentially acting as an incubator for our

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East Arbor hoping to produce better students, citizens

School has performance contract.

By James David Dickson. Heritage Media

A visitor approaches East Arbor Charter Academy, 6885 Merritt Road, in Ypsilanti.

He had been delayed by a heavy snowfall and tries to make up lost time by cutting a pathway through the grass, which

crumbles E RELATED VIDEO under his BY CLICKING ON www.heritage.com feet, giving way to little lakes. Had he not been wearing boots, it would've been a soggy day.

The time crunch is real, as East Arbor's all-school assembly is starting within minutes.

The visitor attempts to duck between cars while leaving the drop-off station, but the need to set a good example of the children is just as real and East Arbor's principal, Shawn Leonard, tells him to wait. The assembly, and many of the students attending it, would be delayed by the weather. Once inside, the visitor learns that East Arbor's front office isn't the show-your-face-and-go experience of many area_ school lobbies. Rather than smiling at the secretary, grabbing a visitor badge and being on his way, an office assistant points him toward LobbyGuard, the latest technology in school safety.

The LobbyGuard machine has a little camera; you must line yourself up in its sights, then press a button, and it will take your picture. After that, the visitor slides a driver's license through the machine's scanner. Had he forgotten his ID, the day would've ended then and there — you can't walk the school's halls as a visitor without a hall pass with your face on it. Had he been a sex offender, he would've been flagged, an email would've been sent to the front desk, and he wouldn't have proceeded past the front office. Instead: "The assembly ; ; is down the hall to your left," the assistant says.

which will bring enrollment up to 700 students. The assembly starts with the Pledge of Allegiance, which the students recite in unison. On a recent visit, the students followed the pledge with "This Land is Your Land." Then, the school creed:

I am an East Arbor Academy student. I strive to achieve academic excellence. I practice good moral character.

I work hard to prepare myself for

the future. I know my success in school and life depends on my own efforts.

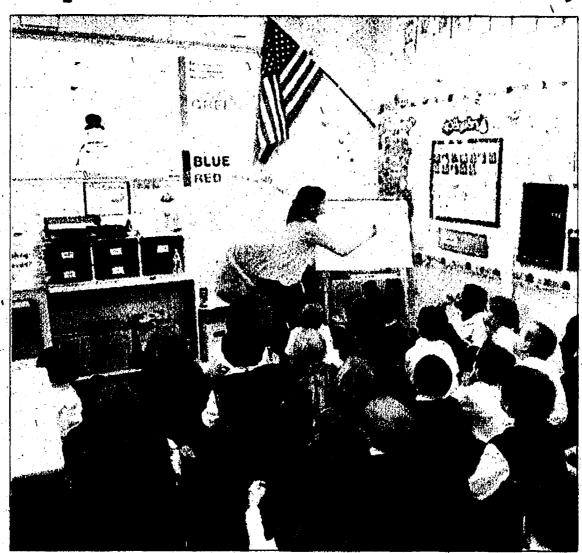
The 505 students sit with, and leave with, members of their classes, ³exiting the gym and walking in neat, single-file lines behind their teachers, following the blue lines in the carpet.

Discipline might be called a school philosophy at East Arbor. As a public school academy, East Arbor is technically required to take in all the students it has space to accommodate. When there are more applicants than seats, seats are distributed via a lottery system,

East Arbor's dress code -white collared shirts, dressy blue bottoms, no gym shoes or open-toed shoes — is designed to keep students focused on learning, not on who bought the latest Jordans or who is wearing the shortest skirt.

Leggings are prohibited for girls, as is makeup, and no more than two earrings per ear are allowed. Piercings and hair beyond shoulder length are prohibited for boys.

Not that there's no room for fun. Soon after the school opened its doors in the fall, students expressed interest in creating school -colors and a mascot to build a school identity. The colors they chose were Green Bay Packers greenand-gold and the mascot is the Ram. As traits go, rams are tenacious to the point of being stubborn. That tenacity fits well with the theme for January, which is perseverance, or working through an activity until it is completed. In addition to the usual math, reading and writing skills taught at any public school, East Arbor and its NHA sister schools operate a "moral focus" curriculum, which emphasizes a different virtue each month. In September, the virtue was wisdom; in November, gratitude. In January, it is perseverance. In May,the focus will be on integrity. At the morning meetings. each Wednesday, students



Katle Hartshorne teaches a first-grade class at East Arbor Charter Academy.

act out skits related to the monthly theme.

"The Moral Focus curriculum is not another subject taught during the school day," explained a passage in East Arbor's performance contract with its charter authorizer, Grand Valley State University, "for it defines the character traits and behaviors that need to be consistently and intentionally modeled for and exhibited by students at all times throughout the day."

During Wednesday morning assemblies, students act out skits related to that month's moral focus. In January, East Arbor students also took the Northwest Evaluation Association Measure of Academic Progress test, which measures student growth. ⁵

Rob Kimball, senior

isn't enough. The school wants more and Grand_ Valley demands more. At East Arbor, the goal is 140 percent growth.

"Our goal is to close that achievement gap," Leonard said, "which means we have to accelerate that growth."

Grand Valley oversees East Arbor and 43 other charter schools in Michigan, serving more than 20,000 students, or one-fifth of the state's charter school students. East Arbor is one-of 43 is a National Heritage Academies-owned and operated schools in Michigan, as are 16 other Grand Valley's authorized charter schools. Grand Valley has built up a good deal of trust in NHA's work over the years, Kimball said.

While charter schools

defined as opening a school in an area with no clear need, such as Ann Arbor Nor does Grand Valley rubber-stamp applications. While 58 charter school applications came in last year, only four Grand Valley authorized schools opened in the fall. Kimball said that while NHA can get a school like East Arbor built in one cycle, it's not uncommon for an authorized school to take another year to open.

The NHA way

Leonard had already been a principal, but he had to learn to be a prin-cipal the NHA way He started his tenure with the company as a "principal-in-residence," helping to open the Achieve Academy in Canton and working there for a year before getting a shot at his own

building, the Hamtramck

Academy in Hamtramck.

But Leonard and his_

family make their home

in Van Buren Township,

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NHA, as a corporate body, is a believer in best

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who has been there 30 years that the principal just has to live with, no principal with autonomous control. The entire team, teachers and administrators was hired new and trained new.

It's too early to tell whether East Arbor's approach is working, but it has piqued the community's interest.

Since the start of school, East Arbor has received 135 applications for 81 seats in fall 2012, a number that will likely climb higher before the Feb. 29 deadline. A good number of those parents will expect East Arbor to help their child become not only a better student, but a better citizen.

"Ultimately," Leonard said of his students, "they're going to leave out of here and be in the community."

Room 8: Chelsea Cracraft's class, fifth grade

Before the visitor's bag even hits the floor, he is met by Katie Carr, a fifthgrader in teacher Chelsea Cracraft's class, who holds eye contact as she shakes his hand. When the visitor joins a first-grade class, one of the first-graders does the same.

Carr directs the visitor to the class's social contract, which was agreed to by the students, and bans students from teasing, bullying or even ignoring one another. Each class has one, and it is a product of the students in that class. In the space of 45 min-

utes the first-year teacher guides her students. through a worksheet on analogies, has the students explain the difference between there/their/ they're, and name the four types of sentences: Declarative, exclamatory, interrogative and impera

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Social skills and a moral focus

The morning assemblies don't last long, just about 15 minutes or so, but they offer the 505 students at the K-6 school, and whichever parents want to stick around, the chance to come together and be in one room for at least a few minutes a day. Next year, East Arbor will offer seventh grade and the next year after that, eighth grade,

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company this winter. They have loaned us space, props, set, and costume pieces, have treated us like family and have defrayed many of the

expenses we would typically pay for this show. We couldn't ask for a greater mentor or more substantial help as we grow." The arrangement also works well for PNT, because its next few shows are joint productions with other local

director of operations and policy at Grand Valley's Charter Schools Office,explained that for charter schools in education-needy areas, the NWEA is a better gauge of the school's efforts than the Michigan **Education Assessment**

Program test. While the MEAP measures a student's mastery of a given subject on the day the test is given, it's only administered once a school year, in the fall. The NWEA is administered three times a year, including in January, and allows the school to gauge the impact of its teachings. Leonard, principal of East Arbor, explained that 100 percent growth on the NWEA indicates a student is advancing at grade level. But because charter schools often set up in educationally underserved areas, grade level growth

theaters, and, as a result, PNT does not need its second-stage space — known by local theater folks as 'the mosh pit' -- for rehearsals. A skybox for "Corbin"

is under construction, and rehearsals are underway. Matt Cameron,

are often attacked by opponents who claim they lack standards and accountability, in fact they are judged by the same standards traditional public schools are judged. Charter schools appear on the state's Persistently Lowest Achieving schools list alongside their traditional counterparts. This comes with a choice: Close

the school's doors or reor ganize. Not only that, but each school Grand Valley authorizes has a performance contract with the university. If standards aren't being met — and it usually takes five years to judge, Kimball said — a school is closed. Some 13 Grand Valley-authorized schools have been forced to shut their doors.

"We're not in the business of taking risks," Kimball said. A risk is

Rebecca Hardin, Melynee with a clever structure Saunders Warren, Roy that's full of surprises. Sexton and Russ Schwartz But it also challenges our assumptions about people wilkstar. Director Jacqui and stereotypes and what Robbins thinks Corbin is a perfect fit, for the space and the company: "'What Corbin Knew' is a theatrical wild ride; it's

we think we know. The Mosh Pit is so fabulously intimate; we're hoping audiences will feel like they are right in the skyfast-paced and farcical,

tive.

When students don't know an answer, they're encouraged to "phone a friend," which is not unlike trying to "pass" on a question back in the old days.

When students have rushed through their homework, Cracraft explains the importance of slowing down and taking the time to get it done right. What's not done right must be re-done.

And when students do have answers, they're encouraged to speak up and speak clearly.

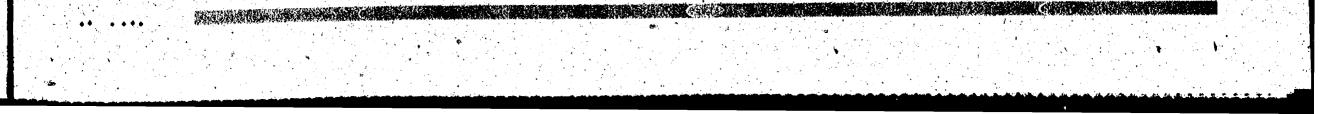
"Be confident in your answers," Cracraft tells a student who'd been hesitant about raising his hand, despite having the right answer. "Don't clam up on me now."

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box with the characters." The Penny Seats is a donor-supported nonprofit theater company founded in July 2010.

For more information, contact The Penny Seats Theatre Co. at 276-2832 or info@pennyseats.org or visit www.pennyseats.org.





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Middle school student puts the 'hop' into 'hope'

By Carrie Henderson Special Writer

The Chinese Year of the Rabbit may be over, but the celebration is just beginning for the residents of the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary, thanks to eighth-grader Holly Tumbarello.

Holly, who attends Lincoln Middle School in Ypsilanti, made it her yearlong goal to raise funds for the sanctuary. Her grand total was \$1,040, which she proudly presented to sanctuary board members last weekend.

The sanctuary, located in Augusta Township, provides care and housing for abandoned, abused, and neglected domestic rabbits with the goal of adopting them out to loving homes.

Holly became inspired to help after volunteering at the sanctuary one day. She saved all of her

She saved all of her birthday and allowance money to reach her initial target of \$200, but her aspirations grew along with her funds.

"I changed the amount to \$500, and then I decided \$1,000 would be way more awesome," she said.

Holly put her natural artistic talents to work for her. She designed and crafted bunny charms out of clay, which she sold to friends and family. She used rabbits from the sanctuary as models.

"I looked online at



Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary Treasurer Shelly Pinter (left) and President Tim Patino accept a donation from middle school student Holly Tumbarelio.

Petfinder to see all the current bunnies up for adoption. I based each little charm off of a real bunny," she said.

Art and animals are two of Holly's passions. She's also a gifted writer. She was one of only four of her classmates chosen to attend a state writing competition.

"I love to write," she

said. "I have hundreds of story ideas, either in my head or floating in scraps of paper around my house."

Tim Patino, board president at Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary, was stunned by the donation.

"When I tell people what Holly did, a common reaction is, 'That's pretty amazing for a 13-year-old.' I say that is amazing for anyone, especially someone so young," he said.

Patino said the money will go into the general fund to help pay for all the supplies needed for daily operations at the sanctuary, including fresh greens, litter, pellets and hay.

"The sanctuary is very frugal with our spending,



Lincoln Middle School eighth-grader Holly Tumbarello helped raise \$1,040 for the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary.

but there are real expenses' we can't go without," he said. "Holly's donation is so appreciated." Carrie Henderson is a

freelance writer. She can be reached at chenderson1218@yahoo. com, or follow her @CBHende1218.

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Ann Arbor movie from 1939 restored

A slice of Ann Arbor's past has been brought back to life through the efforts of a local man and a local business called Priceless Photo Preservation.

A nearly hour-long movie called "We're In the Movies" was the result of an unusual effort by the Ann Arbor Jaycees 73 years ago to promote the town to non-locals. Filmed in 1939 and released in 1940, while color film was still in its infancy, it is unclear whether it received wide distribution. The 16-mm film belongs to Larry Goetz, whose 112-year-old business. Goetzcraft Printers, was one of the sponsors of the project. Goetz's grandfather, Herb Goetz, in fact,

has a starring role in the movie as Garry Owens, a Hollywood producer who, comes to Ann Arbor to find the next big star.

"This is an exciting piece-of local history that deserves to be seen and enjoyed," said Rob Hoffman, CEO and founder of Priceless Photo originally known as Athens Press, was one of several local businesses to sponsor the movie, which was produced by the John B. Rogers Co. of Fostoria, Ohio. The firm was best known for staging pageants and carnivals but also produced similar movies for Marshall and channel: http://www.youtube.com/PPPAnnArbor. More about how the film came about can be found on Priceless Photo Preservation's blog: http://pricelessphotopreservation.wordpress. com/2012/01/22/a-sliceof-old-ann-arbor-in-fullcolor/.



Preservation in a news release.

"We want to thank Larry Goetz for taking such good care of the movie, allowing us to digitize it and making it available for all to see. The film captures the vibrancy of pre-WW II Ann Arbor in a way that no black and white photograph could."

Goetzcraft Printers, established in 1900 and Batavia, Ill. HYP-2012-02-02-PG08-AHYP-2012-02-02-PG10-AA partnership of

three professional archivists, Priceless Photo Preservation specializes in scanning photos, slides and digitizing home movies and videos.

The movie, broken into five parts, can be seen at the Priceless Photo Preservation's YouTube

WISD board hires Great Start collaborative director

The Washtenaw Intermediate School District Board of Education hired Margy Long as Success by 6 Great Start collaborative director Jan. 24.

Long will provide leadership for the implementation of the Great Start Collaborative's Strategic Plan.

She also has been tasked with facilitating "the development of a seamless local early childhood system for families with children, birth to kindergarten."

Long is currently working as the interim executive director of the Michigan Organization on Adolescent Sexual Health.

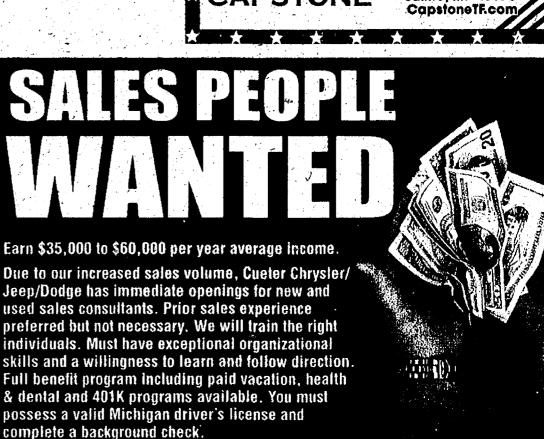
She has additional work experience in fundraising, community and mediarelations, citizen advocacy and government affairs. She earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's in social work from the University of Michigan.

She began her fulltime work Feb. 1. Her contract extends through – June 30 and is contingent upon continued funding from Early Childhood Investment Corporation Grant.

The Great Start Collaborative is a partner with Success by Six and grant recipient of the Early Childhood Investment Corp. WISD is the fiscal agent for the Great Start Collaborative Funds.

For more information on ECIC and the Washtenaw Great Start Collaborative, visit www. successby6.com and http://greatstartforkids. org.

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Thursday, Feb. 2

The Dungeons & Dragons Weekly Gaming group meets at 4:30 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library. The group will be using the 3.5 edition of the game. See the preview per-

formance of "Smokey Joe's Café" at the Encore Theatre, 3126 Broad St. in Dexter, at 7 p.m. for \$16: Tickets can be purchased online at theencoretheatre. org, by phone at 734-268-6200 or in person. See "A Stone Carver"

at the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St. in Chelsea, at 8 p.m. Tickets can be ordered online at purplerosetheatre.org, by phone at 734-433-7673 or in person.

Friday, Feb. 3

COMMUNITY CALENDAR Join the Dexter vided and you leave with a

Senior Center for a chance to pain with Steve Wood. For those who do not know Steve Wood, he is an award-winning, television artist who will soon have a show on PBS. Steve's motto is, "Anyone can paint!" This class is a step-by-step approach with Steve painting right along with the class. All materials are provided and you leave with a completed painting. The cost of this two-hour class is \$22 for members and \$27 for non-members. You can register by calling 426-7737. **I** Join the Chelsea Senior Center for Great Books @ CSC at 1 p.m. The book of this month is "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" by John Berendt. Reserved copies are available at the library's second floor information desk.

III See "A Stone Carver" at the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St. in Chelsea, at 8 p.m. Tickets can be ordered online at purplerosetheatre.org, by phone at 734-433-7673 or in person. **III See "Smokey Joe's**

Café" on its opening night

at the Encore Theatre, 3126 Broad St. in Dexter, at 8 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online at theencoretheatre org, by phone at 734-268-6200 or in person. The opening night performance features and opening night "after glow gala" immediately following the show.

PLEASE SEE CALENDAR/12-A

The Chelsea Education Foundation Invites you to attend An Evening in Paris Annual Jundraiser Gala Saturday, Jebruary 11, 2012 6:00 p.m. Join us for An Elegant Evening in Paris Dinner and Dancing Cash Bar Silent and Live Auctions Raffle for Vacation Getaway Dance the Night Away and help support Chelsea's future

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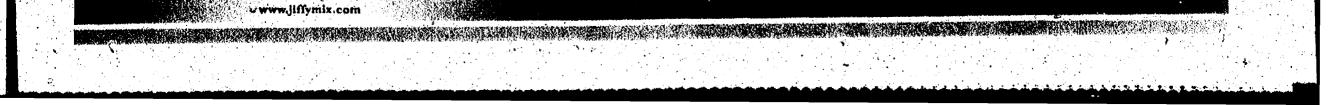




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The Dexter Daze

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Dexter Area Museum, 3443

Anyone interested in being

a part of the Dexter Daze

learn more about the plan-

ning of the event is welcome

Committee or wishing to

Play Magic: The

Gathering at its weekly

at the Chelsea District

Tuesday, Feb. 7

Join the Chelsea

District Library for 1-on-1

Computer Help: at 10 a.m.

The Dungeons &

Dragons Weekly Gaming

group meets at 4:30 p.m. at

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Wednesday, Feb. 8

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Learn the Basics of

Microsoft PowerPoint 2007

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2012

CALENDAR

FROM PAGE 11-A

Saturday, Feb. 4 Join the Cheisea

District Library at 10:30 a.m. for a Purple Rose Concert Reading and stay afterward to share your thoughts on the script.

The Friends of the Dexter District Library hold a used book sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Interested in joining the Friends? Contact Sue Smith at sueandbernie@aol.com.

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Group meets at 1:30 p.m. at the Chelsea District Library for tips, updates and advice on using various eReader devices, as well as discussions on how to access the library's Destination Download website. All users are asked to bring their devices with them if they have one. For more information, contact Ron'Andrews at 734-475-8732, ext. 223. See "A Stone Carver"

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Monday, Feb. 6

neighborhood or downtown without fear of falling? Or have you ever wanted to get more out of the walking you do? If so, join Teri Young at the Dexter Senior Center at 1 p.m. to talk about Nordic Walking Sticks. Nordic walking sticks have changed the way Teri gets around and she will share the benefits as well as demonstrate the sticks and offer information on where to ourchase them.

E Sherri Case will lead a Stretching and Balance Class at 1:30 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Center. This four-week class begins today and will focus on balance and activities of daily living, including going up and down stairs. The class costs \$20 for all four weeks or \$6 for a drop-in class. Sign up by calling 426-7737.

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COMMUNITY

Thursday, February 2, 2012

Wacky wellness fun

By Crystal Hadyuk Special Writer

he South Meadows gymnasium was filled to capacity Jan. 27 with excited elementary students as their teachers competed in wacky games to promote physical activity and healthy eating, South Meadows and North Creek were competing during January to see which school's students could eat the highest number of servings of fruit and vegetables. If each school's students could meet the minimum of 7,500 servings, they would be rewarded with the Wacky Teacher Olympics.

South Meadows won the servings challenge, with 12,782. North came close with 12,490 servings consumed.

Andrew Ingall, executive director of instruction, emceed the games. Beach Middle School principal Nick Angel and fourth-grade teacher David Brinklow acted as referees. Student teachers from both schools also participated - some showed up in shirts that said, "Bulldog in Training," South Meadows teacher Jeanne Caselli said that if awards were given for funniest athletic outfits, the winners would have been South's Jenni Linde and Tomi Dres; and North's Eric **Robinson and Mike Brown**. Students cheered loudly as their teachers competed in eight events, including blanket and roll cart racing,

tossing and tug of war.

When Corey Knight slam-dunked his shot in the basketball dribble-and-shoot event, "the kids went crazy," according to Carly Groves, a fourth-grade teacher who co-coordinated the event with second-grade teacher Kelly Baker.

This year's final face-off consisted of four games between teams made up of the principals and their school's physical education teachers dressed in grape and tomato costumes. Team Grape included North Creek principal Marcus Kaemming and Eric Burris; Team Tomato included South Meadows principal Lisa Nickel and Mike Bareis.

North Creek won the Wacky Teacher Olympics,

but Groves said that South made a "valiant effort." "The teachers showed a lot of enthusiasm," said sec-

ond grader Abby Dobos. "The teachers focused on

teamwork and good sportsmanship," said Caselli. "(They) modeled a fun-loving spirited attitude. They were good sports to participate in the challenges."

"It was a huge success and everyone had a blast," Groves said.

"It was really cool for so many people in the district to be involved, working together to have such a fun event. The kids from both schools worked really hard with eating fruits and veggles this month, and it was a great way to promote healthy choices for snacks and lunches at school."

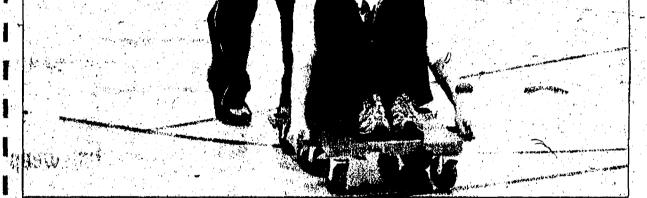


South principal Lisa Nickel cheers on Team Tomato.



melon bowling, bean bag





Eric Burris pushes Karen Lawrence through the cones.



Luman Strong and Jeanne Caselli slide another teacher on a blanket at the students cheer them on.





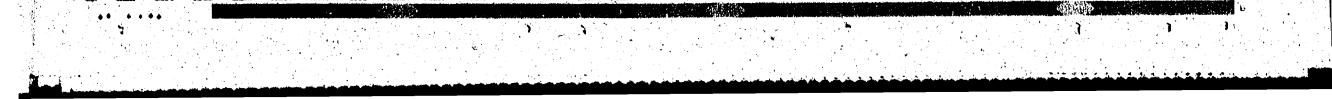
Eric Burris and Eric Robinson catch footballs in a laundry basket.





Photos by Burrill Strong

North School and South School teachers work hard in the tug of war.



ENTERTAINMENT Page 2-B Thursday, February 2, 2012 www.heritage.com

EMU Theatre productions tackle social issues

astern Michigan University Theatre will present two contemporary plays beginning the first weekend of February. To kick off the threeweek theatrical journey, "Dead Man's Cell Phone,'

a dark romantic comedy by Sarah Ruhl opens Feb. 3 and runs through Feb. 16.

""No Child..." — a story about the public education system by Nilaja Sun --- premieres Feb. 9 and runs through Feb. 19.

All performances will take place in Sponberg Theatre in the Quirk Dramatic Arts Building located at the intersection of East Circle Drive and Best Hall on EMU's Ypsilanti campus.

Directed by Pirooz Aghssa, "Dead Man's Cell Phone" poses the daunting question: What happens to your cell phone after you die? What secrets lie within your handheld/device?

One woman finds out by answering the cell phone of a dead stranger. This play contains material that may not be suitable for all ages and is recommended for audiences age 13 and older 'Dead Man's Cell Phone"

will be performed at 7 p.m. Feb. 3, 4, 11 and at 2 p.m. Feb. 5 and 12.

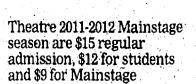
"No Child..." is directed by Wallace Bridges and is an exploration of the current state of the public education system.

One teacher, Miss Sun, uses the arts to attempt to transform the lives of students at a New York City public school. Witness the inspirational journey as she overcomes her own fears and doubts in order to make a difference.

Originally performed as a one-woman show. this ensemble production of "No Child.,." will be performed at 7 p.m. Feb. 9, 10, 17 and 18 and at 2 p.m. Feb. 11 and 19. The show contains adult language and is recommended for mature audiences.

Ticket prices for the EMU

Phone" (pictured at right) features Marissa Kurtzhals as Jean and Eric Hohnke as Gordon/Dwight.



patrons. Tickets are available by phone at 487-2282 and in person at the Convocation

Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office. To buy tickets online,

visit www.emutix.com. For more information about EMU Theater, visit www. emich.edu/emutheatre.

UMMA hosts Fluxus exhibit starting Feb. 25

"Fluxus and the **Essential Questions of** Life," an exhibition of more than 100 works by major artists, including George Maciunas, Yoko Ono and Nam June Paik, will be on view at the University of Michigan Museum of Art from Feb. 25 through May 20.

The exhibition is designed for visitors to

one capsule every four hours, for laughs," Stress Formula contains clear capsules with little rolled pieces of paper, presumably printed with humorous messages.

Regarding the question 1 of change, Ken Friedman suggests with his Flux Corsage — a plastic box filled with flower seeds that you might get started by getting yourself some many of which were gathered into "Fluxkits" along with other ephemera.

The idea was to sell these kits at low prices — not through galleries but by mail and through artist-run stores. The events were even more accessible, sometimes consisting of just one word, such as George Brecht's Exit, included in the exhibition in the section titled "Death?"

founder Robert Ashley, presented by the U of M Digital Music Ensemble March 30; and the premiere of DME Director and School of Music, Theatre and Dance Professor Steve Rush's "U.S. Grant," a short opera about Ulysses S. Grant, rich with electronics and Civil War songs, also March 30.

In keeping with the idea

of its time and resonant for life today, UMMA educators are working with UM faculty and students as well as with Arts at Michigan and the UMMA Student Programming and Advisory Council to create a host of Fluxus happenings. These will culminate in a special Fluxus-themed event on March 30 that will offer U of M students

hours and will include Fluxus performances, music and more.

UMMA is located at 525 S. State St. in Ann Arbor. Admission is free; donations are encouraged.

Galleries are open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. They are closed on Monday. For more information,

"No Child" (pictured top left) features ensemble members Jahmeel Powers and Brittney Wright. "Dead Man's Cell



experience the influential cultural development that was Fluxus, an international network of artists. composers and designers that emerged as an art (or "antiart") phenomenon in the early 1960s and was noted for blurring the boundaries between art and life.

Maciunas (1931-1978), the Lithuanian-born organizer of the international Fluxus movement, reacted against the "high art" world and its intense commodification of art objects.

He saw art, at its best, as part of the social process and attempted to create objects that celebrated collaboration, the ephemeral and the everyday — with a touch of playful anarchy.

Circumventing both aesthetics and the commercial art world, Maciunas wanted to empower all people to engage with essential issues via the Fluxus approach to life. "The Fluxus phenom-

enon helps us reexamine our perspectives on art objects and on the issues in our own lives. It's exciting to bring the energy and breadth of the Fluxus show to Ann Arbor, and we hope that visitors will engage with the exhibition and the events that surround it in fun and meaningful ways," UMMA director Joseph Rosa said in a news release. "Fluxus and the Essential Questions of Life" is about how Fluxus works, and it encourages visitor interpretation and response through its design

and layout. The exhibition supplies answers to 14 themes, framed as questions, such as "What Am I?", "Happiness?", "Health?", "Freedom?" and "Danger?" A map of the exhibition will allow visitors to go directly to those questions in which they are most interested.

The objects elaborate upon the themes in various ways. Regarding the question of happiness, Bici Forbes's (now Nye Ffarrabas) Stress Formula proposes that we need more jokes than drugs.

A vitamin bottle whose label is inscribed with the suggested dosage, "Take

flower seeds, planting and nurturing them and giving the blossoms to someone you love. The plant will die eventually and so might your love, but neither of them will disappear; they will change into some other form of energy.

Fluxus introduced two new things into the world of art, both integral to the exhibition: event scores and art-as-games-in-a-box,

Programs organized in conjunction with the exhibition include a public lecture by exhibition guest curator Jacquelynn Baas March 11; an evening of Fluxus performances fea-turing Fluxus originator Ben Patterson and U of M History of Art Associate Professor David T. Doris on March 14; "In Memoriam... Kit Carson (1963)," a nonlinear opera by ONCE

of exploring Fluxus as both access to the Museum after visit www.umma.umich.

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Sounds and Sights holds summer series open auditions

Organizers of Sounds and Sights on Thursday Nights, the summer concert series in downtown Chelsea, are holding audi-tions for the 2012 entertainment lineup.

Auditions will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. March 12 at the Chelsea First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., across for the Purple Rose Theatre in downtown Chelsea.

According to organizers, Sounds and Sights on Thursday Nights has become one of the largest weekly, outdoor music attractions in southeast Michigan, with crowds as large as 2,000 people attending the free Thursday night concert series.

This year's 11-week schedule kicks off June 7 and runs every Thursday through Aug. 16.

The committee is typically looking for any type of entertainment. However, this year in addition to musical acts, the group is hoping to add more street performers.

"We're looking for something different," said Craig Common, event co-organizer and owner of The Common Grill, in a news

Thursday, Feb. 2

4:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday:

Chelsea District Library, 221

S. Main St. Free. 475-8732.

3 and 8 p.m. Wednesday

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p.m. Sunday: Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St.

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"That means just about anything, within reason and good taste, that can entertain a crowd. Sword swallowers, dance troupes, stilt walkers, and so on."

There are approximately 100 paying spots open on the schedule. Interested parties are asked again this year to fill out an application and reserve a time slot online at chelseafestivals. com.

Those auditioning will then have three to five minutes to perform at one of four stages before a panel of judges made up of local musicians, committee members, merchants and maybe a few celebrities.

Performers should bring any necessary equipment they would normally perform with. There are 50 audition slots available on a first come, first served basis.

Those that can't make the audition or are not able to secure a time slot should still fill out the application online and then send in a CD demo or email a link to an audio demo.

Selected performers will be contacted to schedule performance



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dates based on availability. Applications and more information are available online, and there is no charge to audition.

For more information email _ ; info@chelseafestivals.com or call the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 433-2787.

CDs can be sent to: Chelsea Center for the Arts, 400 Congdon St., Chelsea, MI 48118. CDS must be received by March 16.

For more information about Sound's & Sights on Thursday Nights, visit chelseafestivals.com.

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Saturday, Feb. 4 Used Book Sale

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday: Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St. Free admission. 426-4477

Draw Doubles: Local 101 Disc Golf Club

Noon Saturday: Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road. \$7 per player; free for spectators. \$5 vehicle entrance fee, 449-4300

bers, \$9; students, \$5). 769-1052. "Big Rack Night"

7 p.m. Saturday: Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Free admission. 439-7919.

E Remote-Controlled Car Racing

10:30 a.m. to midnight Saturday: Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Free admission. \$16 to race. 1-313-565-2815.

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Sunday, Feb. 5

Tour: Zingerman's

2 p.m. Sunday: 3723

\$5 coupon). 929-0500.

Cook Dinner with Your

Union Grange, 3337 Ann.

(Grange members, free)

Pre-registration required.

Monday, Feb. 6

6:30 p.m. Monday:

Michigan Ave: \$7, 429-

American Legion, 320 W.

Line Dancing

Arbor-Saline Road, \$5

Plaza Drive \$5 (includes a

Preserving Traditions:

2 p.m. Sunday: Pittsfield

dents and seniors, \$15) at ThreefoldProductions.org and at the door. 778-0627.

Dead Man's Cell Phone"

7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday: EMU Sponberg Theater, Ford Street. \$15 (students \$12; age 12 and younger, \$7). 487-2282. Rock and Worship

Road Show. 7:30 p.m. Friday: EMU Convocation Center, 799 N Hewitt St. \$10 at the door.

487-2282. Saxophonia" 7:30 p.m. Friday: EMU

Friday, Feb. 3

Great Books at the Senior Center

1 p.m. Friday: Chelsea Senior Center, 512 Washington St. Free. 475-8732

40th Winter Carnival: Chelsea American Legion 2 Post 31

4 p.m. to midnight Friday, 7 a.m. to midnight Saturday and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday: American Legion Hall, 1700 Ridge Road. Free admission. To enter the chili. cook-off, call 260-1540. 475-1964.

Saturday, Feb. 4 Purple Rose Concert

Reading Series 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday: 221 S. Main St. Free. Pre-registration required. 475-8732.

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

Sunday, Feb. 5

"Fish, from Head to Tall"

2 p.m. Sunday: Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road. \$2 (families, \$5) Preregistration required. \$10 annual vehicle entrance fee. 475-3170.

Winterfest and Gemini Concert

1:30 p.m. Sunday: Concert at 3 p.m. Michigan Friends Center, 7748 Clarks Lake Road. Call 475-1892 or visit www.mfcenter.org.

DEXTER Thursday, Feb. 2

E "Smokey Joe's Cafe" 7 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: Encore, 3126 Broad St. \$18 on Thursday, \$32 (members and seniors, \$29; groups of 10 or more, \$26) on Friday and Saturday evening and \$28 (members and seniors; \$25; groups of 10 or more, \$22) for matinees. Tickets at theencoretheatre.org and at the door. 268-6200.

Friday, Feb. 3

"The Music Man" 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 5 III Juniper Ridge Ski/

Hike: Huron Valley Slerra Club

1 p.m. Sunday: Meet in front of Zingerman's Roadhouse, 2501 Jackson Road, to carpool. Free. 477-5715.

Snow"

1 p.m. Sunday: \$3 per child. Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North Territorial Road, Pre-regis-tration required. \$5 vehicle entrance fee: 426-8211.

SALINE Saturday, Feb. 4

Gray Panthers of Huron Valley

9:45 a.m. Saturday: Turner Senior Resource Center, 2401 Plymouth Road. Free. 973-5593. Pittsfield Open Band

3 p.m. Saturday: Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Free. 994-9307.

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Saturday, Feb. 4

"Spanish Carrivale Olé": WCC Mardi Gras Fundralser

6:30 p.m. Saturday: Washtenaw Community College Morris Lawrence Building, 4800 E. Huron River Drive \$175 in advance only. 973-3665.

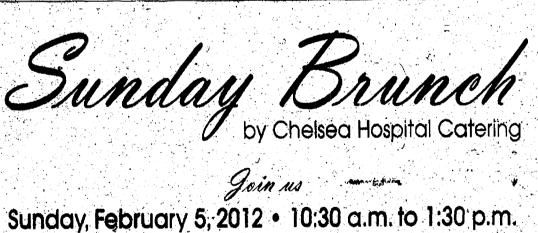
Sunday, Feb. 5

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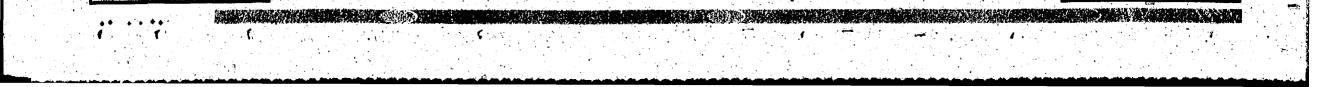
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Lincoln coming out of the shadows

Let's face facts, it's a pretty big shadow.

Yeah, we are talking about that shadow coming from Ypsilanti High School. The Phoenix are a pretty darn good basketball team. Probably best in the tough Southeastern Conference. Possibly the best in the area. Maybe even the best in the entire state.

So what do you do when you live close to that shadow? You go out and win basketball games. And that's exactly what the Lincoln boys' team did this past week with impressive wins over Saline and Chelsea.

Ypsilanti High can enjoy the spotlight. But Lincoln just might be coming out of the shadows.

'We have great athletes." said Lincoln coach Mike Foley after his Splitters beat Chelsea Friday night. "And they are finally starting to understand how to play like I need them to play according to a team philosophy. You can have great individual players and still lose a lot of games. And we have players who are good but they all need each other." A basketball team is a 🚽 puzzle and the pieces all have to fit in order for the picture to take shape. The Splitters are starting to put things together and the play-ers and coaches are enjoying the results. "I don't think we have. that one player that is good enough to dominate a game single-handily," Foley said. "If you look at my roster, three of our starters have not played basketball in two years. They just joined the team. They had no varsity experience and are raw. "I am trying to teach these guys how to win as a team and play as a team. W team and play as a team. We are good when all five play together. But once we play only as individuals, then we are going away from our team philosophy and play-ing into the hands of our opponents." They certainly looked like a team against the Bulldogs. They pushed the ball when the opportunity to run was there, but they also settled nicely into a half-court offense. Foley is not surprised that his team has quickly adjusted to the addition of three new players – all becoming eligible at the beginning of January.

Splitters top Bulldogs

By Terry Jacoby Heritage Media

The fact that it happened once is pretty unusual. The fact that happened twice within a minute is nothing short of amazing. Lincoln's Dalauren Roberson made two three-

pointers midway through the fourth quarter that bounced off the back rim, went about five to six feet straight up in the air and came right back down through the net to account for six points and help seal the Splitters' 68-65 win over visiting Chelsea.

Whatever works.

"We chuckled after the game about our two three-pointers at the end," said Lincoln coach Mike Foley of his postgame chat with Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "I told him that's how I teach them to shoot. To get the ball in the hole anyway you can.

"I was amazed they went in, but I'm glad that they did. And they were good looks and (Roberson) is a good shooter."

The second triple from Roberson pushed Lincoln's lead to 60-56 with 3:30 to play. Give the Bulldogs credit because a lot of teams would have just thrown in the towel and figure this just wasn't their night. But Chelsea came down and got points after both of Roberson's triples. They also didn't give up after Ajay Stovall went coast Chelsea's Michael to coast to make it 62-58 with Steinhauer cut the lead 2:20 to play and they even kept coming after a great to 67-65 with 12.2 seconds move inside by Will Russell left. And after Roberson resulted in a three-point hit one of two free throws play and a 67-61 lead with with 9 seconds on the clock,



Chelsea had a shot to send

the game into overtime. As



going to do, but it's still hard to stop. They scored some easy baskets off backdoor plays but they will make them against any team in our league."

Stovall, a senior guard, led the home team with 25 points,

Roberson scored seven of his 10 points in the fourth quarter and DeMarqus Washington had another solid game with 13 points. Chelsea's Jake Fischhaber

had an outstanding game for the Bulldogs. The senior for-ward, who led Chelsea with 17 points, was aggressive to the basket all night long. Steinhauer continued his strong season with 15 points. Jack McDougall finished with 11 points and hit some big shots and Todd Hollandsworth also scored 11 for the visitors.

The fourth quarter, like the entire game, was close throughout. There were four ties in the quarter before Roberson's first triple gave Lincoln a 57-54 lead. They would never trail again.

The Splitters raced out of the blocks in the first quarter taking a 7-2 lead on a layup by Stovall. But the Bulldogs answered with a layup by Steinhauer and two free throws by Fischhaber with 3:50 left in the quarter.

Tyler Hinton's put-back gave the Splitters an 11-8 lead but Cody, Barber hit back-to-back buckets - the second coming off a steal and nice pass by Fischhaber - as Chelsea took its first lead of the game at 12-11 with 1 minute to go in the first. Russell scored inside for Lincoln and Hollandsworth hit a free throw as the

just 29.2 seconds to play. A basket inside by

Bulldogs split in SEC dual

-- By Terry Jacoby Heritage Media

The Chelsea wrestling team overcame a few missing wrestlers due to injuries and illnesses to pull of a split last Wednesday in a double dual meet with Lincoln and Pioneer. The Bulldogs defeated

the Splitters 39-34 but lost to the Pioneers 40-33.

Chelsea had six wrestlers win both matches: Bell Doll at 112 pounds, Steve Bleise at 119, Nate Miller at 125, Avery Osentoski at 135, Dan Wisniewski at 140 and Mike Hovater at 189.

" Will McEachern (130 pounds), Billy Collins (145) and Simon Cone (152) split on the day.

Chelsea wrestled Huron on Wednesday and will compete on Saturday at the SEC league meet in Adrian.

Photo by Burrill Strong

Chelsea's Jake Fischhaber drives to the hoop for two during Friday's loss at Lincoln.

it turned out, it was a good shot.

They got the player they wanted the shot they wanted, but Logan Brown's triple just missed and Lincoln celebrated a big SEC victory. It was the second

league win of the week for the Splitters, who knocked off Saline on Tuesday.

"(Friday) was a dogfight from the tip," Foley said. "Chelsea is a great team and they are well coached. You know what they're

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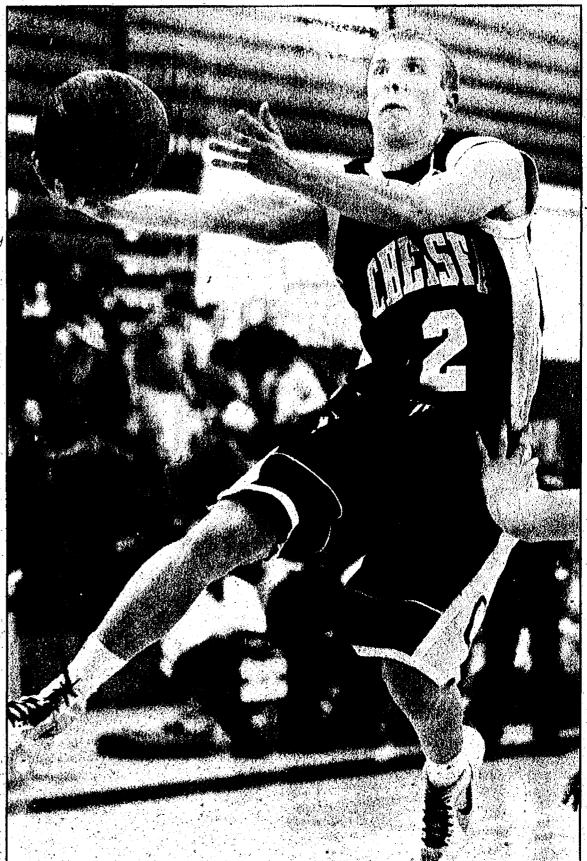
Chelsea's Luke St. Pierre makes a heads-up move during a match at the Chelsea Invitational against Milan.





The big guys came up big for Chelsea as the Bulldogs bounced back from Friday's loss at Dexter with a 69-54 win Tuesday over Onsted in a non-league game.

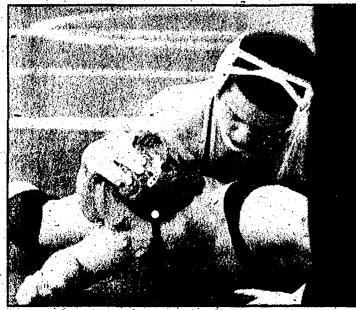
The Bulldog return to league action on Friday at Lincoln. The Splitters are coming off a 51-48 win Tuesday over Saline on a





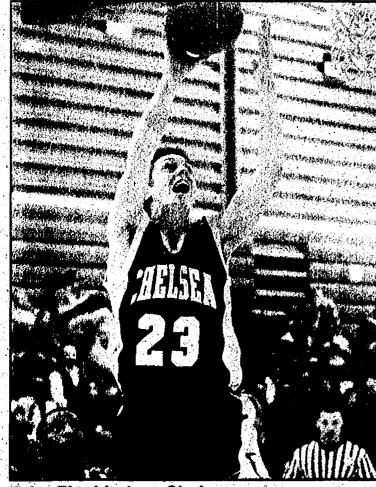
Max Merriman, Dexter

Dexter's Max Merriman earned a state cut swimming to a commanding first place finish in the 500 yard freestyle with his time of 5:02.94 in the Dreads' win over Monroe.



Taylor Ticknor, Saline

Ticknor improved to 37-2 on the season at 112 pounds for the Hornets as he went 4-0 at the Saline Invitational on Saturday. The junior helped lead the Hornets to second place overall at the team tournament.



Jake Fischhaber, Chelsea

Chelsea's Jake Fischhaber had an outstanding game for the Bulldogs in their 68-65 loss Friday at Lincoln. The senior forward led Chelsea with 17 points. He also had eight points and six rebounds in Chelsea's 69-54 win Tuesday over Onsted. buzzer-beater by Brendan Griffith.

"We were able to get off to an excellent start with our pressure defense," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "We scored a season-high 69 points, through a combination of fast-break points off of 13 steals and good ball movement in our half-court offense."

Chelsea's forwards ledthe way in this one. Junior Michael Steinhauer hit 8 of 14 shots and finished with a team-high 17 points. He also had eight rebounds, three steals and three blocks on the night.

Luke Hollandsworth, another junior, had 15 points on 6 of 9 shooting and grabbed 10 rebounds. And the hits kept coming for Chelsea.

Jack McDougall had nine points, Jake Fischhaber had eight points and six rebounds, Logan Brown and Truman Hadley each scored six points and Dominic Davis had five points, four rebounds and four steals for the Buildogs.

rebounds and four steals for the Bulldogs. Chelsea shot 24 of 47 (51 percent) from the floor, compared to 17 of 36 (47 percent) for Onsted.

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Splitters led 14-13 after one

period. Both teams played well in the second quarter as the lead bounced back and forth. There were three ties in the quarter and neither team led by more than four points.

A three-pointer from the wing by McDougall gave the Bulldogs a 24-22 lead with 4:22 to play. But

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"When you add a player like Ajay Stovall, you are going to get better," Foley said. "He's nat close to being at the top of his game. And you can see already how effective. Photo by Burrill Strong

Cheisea's Jack McDougall takes flight during Friday's loss on the road at Lincoln.

Lincoln answered with a layup by Javin Kilgo. Two free throws by Stovall and a layup by Chris Williams tied the game at 28-28.

Chelsea went ahead by four-points on a nice bucket inside by Hollandsworth, but Lincoln scored the last points of the half to cut Chelsea's lead to 32-20 at halftime.

Fischhaber twice put Chelsea ahead by five points in the third quarter, but both times Stovall had an answer at the other end. The Splitters tied the

he is." Lincoln won both games last week in the final minute, both presenting positives and also things to work on as the Splitters try to turn the corner from good to great.

"We did win both games in the last minute, but the Saline game we should game at 43-43 with 2:43 left on a three-point play by Washington.

A tough basket inside by Stovall gave Lincoln its first lead of the second half at 45-43 but McDougall drilled a jumper at the other end to tie the game with a little over a minute to play in the quarter.

The Splitters dribbled down the clock to the final seconds and Roberson drilled a triple at the buzzer to give the home team a 48-45 lead after three quarters.

have never been in that situation," Foley said. "We were up by 16 points in the fourth quarter. But individualism and inexperience took over and Saline got back in the game."

The win over Chelsea was a different story. "(Friday) was a dogfight from the tip," Foley

Junior varsity

The JV game between Chelsea and Lincoln wasn't decided until there was less than 1 second to go in the game. Chelsea's Tim Mantel was fouled near midcourt when the game appeared headed to overtime. The sophomore stepped to the line with .4 seconds left and hit the first free throw to give the visiting Bulldogs a 48-47 win.

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said. "Chelsea is a great team and they are well coached. You know what they're going to do but it's still hard to stop." One thing is clear.

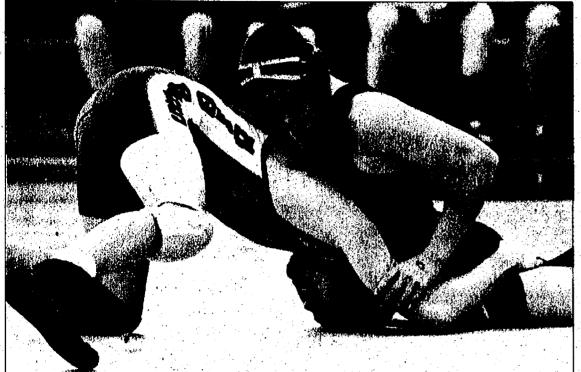
"The past two games we have played as a team," Foley said.

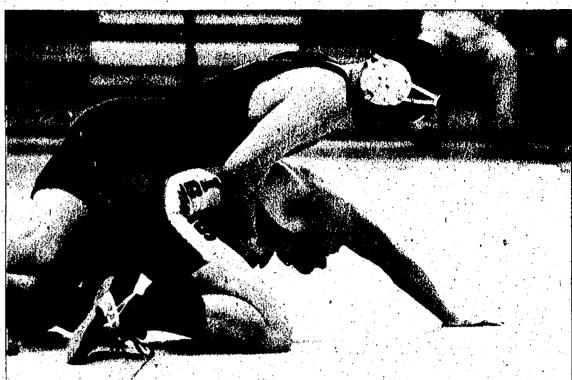
Another thing is clear. Playing as a team is working.



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A first-place pin Chelsea ties for first at own tournament





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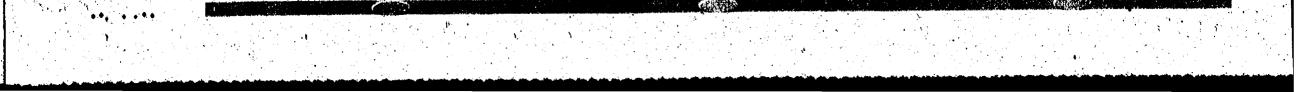
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Chelsea bench cheers on the Dawgs.

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Perfect Bulldogs remain on course

Chelsea varsity swimmers and divers notch two more wins...undefeated season still intact!

The Chelsea Bulldogs swim and dive team moved even closer to a perfect season with two more wins against teams from Jackson and Monroe this past week. Chelsea anticipated a solid performance from Jackson but knew that their toughest test of the season would come from Red Division foe Monroe on Thursday,

Chelsea Traveled to Jackson High School and walked away with a 129-57 win. Chelsea swam through that meet in preparation for Thursday's Red Division crossover contest.

Chelsea was home on Thursday to take on the Trojans of Monroe, Monroe had three solid swimmers that posed a problem but Chelsea's overall depth once again proved too much for the Trojans.

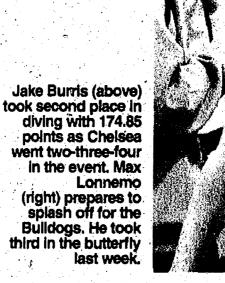
With a 110-76 win Chelsea's crossover meets with the Red Division were over and they can now focus on the three remaining White division foes.

Chelsea began the meet with a 2nd and 3rd place finish in the 200yd medley relay. Sam Almhiemid, Zach Ousley, Max lonnemo, and Blayde Ray combined for a 1:50.81 clocking while the B relay of Robby Everard, Tom Olsen, Will Wickens, and Johnny Mangner went 1:52.99.

David Alday was 2nd in the 200yd freestyle with a solid 1:54.88 clocking and Ben Thoms with a season best of 1:59.30 captured 3rd place. Austin Horn also showed improvement dropping his season best in the event to 2:02.87. All three athletes promise to be major factors in Chelsea's success at this year's SEC Championships less than a month away.

The 200yd IM trio of logan Simpson, Nick Deppner, and Max Lonnemo again proved that Chelsea's depth will be a factor as they took 2nd, 3rd,





a chance to be big factors if Chelsea is to have a chance to contend for the SEC crown.

Burris was back up in the 100yd butterfly and won the event easily for the Bulldogs with a time of 58.88. Wickens swam a season best in the event to take 2nd place at 1:02.77. Lonnemo was 3rd with a solid time of 1:02.84.

Almhiemid who has proven to be one of the best

the sprints for us," Chelsea coach Dave Jolly said. "We hope his shoulder will recover with rest so he is ready Mangner showed Chelsea's depth in the

event with a 5th place finish at 56.68. Alday, Thoms, and Horn once again took 2nd, 3rd, and 4th respectively in the 500yd freestyle. Alday cruised his way to a 5:17.12. "David has been dealing with a fractured back all season and it was bothering him tonight," Jolly said. "He is one of the toughest kids we have on our team.'

for SEC."

Alday continues to start events from in the water and still records times among the best in the state. Thoms was on his game all evening as he swam his second career best time at 5:18.63 and is ever so close to a state qualification time of 5:15 in the event. Horn also improved his best in the event moving his time

Goodin, Zach ousley, Tom olsen, and Horn captured 3rd place points at 1:45.89.

Nick Deppner, and Jacob Hartman went 1-2 in the 100yd backstroke with Deppner leading the way at 59.94 and Hartman close behind at 1:01.53. Joey Ingall earned valuable varsity points taking 5th place at 1:18.66.

Ousley went his season best in the 100yd breastroke to take 2nd place at 1:11.87.

'Ousley has been working so hard at the breaststroke all season. He wants to improve each day and it shows in his work ethic and commitment," Jolly said,

Olsen also scored in the event taking 3rd place at 1:13.12. Drew Deppner went 1:18.66 and is one of the kids on the outside looking to be a big factor for the Bulldogs at this year's SEC championships.

Chelsea finished the meet with a win in the 400yd freestyle relay. Almhiemid, Simpson, Wickens, and Burris blasted to a 3:34.97.

Chelsea's next meet will be at home this Thursday to celebrate senior night. The focus will be on Robby Everard and Blayde Ray as the team looks back on two careers in the sport and their contributions to the program.

The week will end at Battle Creek as Adrian and Chelsea will take on Battle Creek Lakeview and St. Joesph in the annual East vs. West dual.

Lady Bulldogs still undefeated

The train keeps a rollin'. The Chelsea girls' basketball team improved to 11-0 with a 64-37 win Friday over Lincoln.

"We played a pretty solid game, we rebounded well, kept our turnovers down, forced some turnovers and executed on the offensive end," said Chelsea coach Todd Blomquist. "Mackenzie (Cole) hit some shots that forced them out of their zone defense.'

The Splitters started out strong against the host Bulldogs as they jumped out to an 11-7 first-quarter lead. But the Bulldogs went on the offensive in the second quarter, outscoring the visitors 19-11 to take a 26-22 halftime lead.

Chelsea continued to pile up points in the second half while also playing strong defense. The Bulldogs outscored the Splitters 20-7 in the third and 18-8 in the fourth.

Chelsea made 21 of 52 from the field (40.4 percent) while Lincoln made 10 of 36 (27.8). The Bulldogs also made 5 of 17 three pointers compared to just 1 of 8 for Lincoln.

Cole led Chelsea with 16 points. Balley Darwin had 11 points, six rebounds and three 👔 blocks while Megan Hall had 10 points and five assists.

SCIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS JANUARY 24, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Clark at 827 N. Zeeb Road. Present: Clark, Hedberg, Palmer, DeLong, Green, Knowles, Read Township drain Approved surplus county drain construction funds to current assessments

Approved renewal of application of current Township health insurance covorage. Approved reappointment of Celeste Novak to the Township's Building Authority. Approved reappointment of Susan Westerman to the Township's Board of Review. Approved reappointment of Richard DeLong as an alternate to the Township's Zoning Board of Appeals

Approved reappointment of Susan Moore, Don Hicks, Gerd Walter and Phil Surratt to the Townships EDC.

Approved change of the February 28th meeting to February 29th, due to the election onflict.

Approved the Economic Development Action Committee request for Aind Approved adoption of revised Township schedule of fees

Approved support of the current effort to consolidate the Scio Twp Fire Dept. and the Derter

Fire Dept. under the Urban Cooperation Act Areawide Approved January invoices to be paid as presented Adjourned at 7:37 pm

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and 4th respectively. Simpson freshmen to come through went 2:13.23, Deppner went 2:13.47 and Lonnemo was close behind at 2:26.20.

Nick Burris went a dual meet best of 23,55 to take 2nd place. Jacob Hartman was 3rd at 24.92. Mangner captured 5th place with a solid time of 25.12.

Another 2-3-4 finish was slated by the 1meter diving crew as Jake Burris went 174:85 points. Joev Smith finished with a score of 162.25 and Everard tallied 154.40. As the SEC grows closer, the divers know that they have

Washtenaw County Legal Notice:

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Fertilizer & Pesticides for Pierce Lake Golf Course. Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, 'Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. RFP Due: Thursday, 6665 February 16 2012 by 4:00pm local time. For more information, please call, (734) 222-6760 or logon to our website at http://bids.ewashtenaw.org and click on "open bids".

the Chelsea swim program in many years showed off+ his diversity sprinting his way to a career best clocking in the 100yd freestyle taking 2nd place at 53.24. Blayde Ray was 3rd overall in the event at 55.62 but hurt his shoulder

in the process.

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DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2012

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The meeting was called to order at 7:36 PM by President Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter.

Michigan. ROLL CALL: President Koough, Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Smith, Tell APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 27, 2011 with correction. Unanimous voice vote for approval APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith; support Somifero to approve the agenda with an additional item of updates under on item 1-1, Community Development Manager's Report.

Unanimous voice vote for approval PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing to consider the addition of an Ordinance to the General

Public Hearing to consider the addition of an Ordinance to the General Code of Ordinances - Floodplain Construction President Keough opened the Public Hearing at 7:40 PM. There was a comment from Council regarding the affect this may have on the insurance rates of those properties and a question as to how many properties, were affected. The hearing was closed at 7:52 PM. Motion Semifero, support Carson to approve the addition of an ordinance to the General Code of Ordinances - Floodplain Construction. Ayes; Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Somifero, Carson and Keough Nays; None Absent: Tell (temporarily away from the meeting). Motion carries CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$270.543.03 Motion Fisher: support Seniffero to apprave item 1 of the consent agenda. Unanimous voice vote for approval ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURNMENT Motion Smith: support Fisher to adjourn at 8:54 PM. Unanimous voice vote for approval

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

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Chelsea got there first relay win of the evening taking the 200yd freestyle relay with Mangner, Lonnemo, Wickens, and Simpson combing for a time of 1:38.01. Aunic

to 5:31.34.

Village of Dexter **Notice of Public Hearing**

The Dexter-Village Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 13, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor, Dexter, Michigan to hear public comment regarding the establishment of a High Tech-Light Industrial Development District located at 3515 Broad and 8155 Huron described as follows:

3515 Broad A 1.20 PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SE 1/4 SEC 31, T1S, R5E, VILLAGE OF DEXTER, INCL PORTIONS OF LOTS 25 & 26 OF MARY J RAYWALT'S SECOND ADDN, DESC AS: COM AT NE COR LOT 25, BEING POB, TH S 75-30-00 E 253.05 FT; TH S 28-48-05 W 151.80 FT; TH ALG CRV TO LEFT RAD 2386.68 FT, RAD 2602.82 FT, CHD N 74-55-45 W 237.08 FT, TH S 20 53-47 W 6.25 FT; TH N 82-39-24 W 29.53 FT; TH N 82-57-45 W 54.49 FT; TH N 67-40-05 E 164.09 FT; TH S 75-30-00 E 119.91 FT TO POB

8155 Huron

LOTS 27,28,29, & N 141 66 FT OF W 12 FT OF LOT'26 MARY J RAYWALT'S 2ND ADDN TO VILLAGE OF DEXTER.

A copy of the draft resolution establishing the district is available in the Village Offices at 8123 Main Street, Dexter, MI.

> **Donna Dettling Village Manager**

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SYNOPSIS OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES **JANUARY 9, 2012**

A Public Hearing was called to order-at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to the Michigan Zoning and Enabling Act to consider amendment to the Lima Township Master Plan to add Village Commercial and potential Village Commercial uses, Application 10.003. Public comment was heard. The public hearing closed at 7:12 p.m.

Present for the public hearing and the regular meeting immediately following the public hearing were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Later. Also present were several planning commissioners, residents and guests.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. Motion by Unterbrink supported by Bareis to amend the Agenda to add

Sign Regulation Workshop, under New Business. Motion carried. Motion by Later supported by Havens to approve as submitted; minutes of the December 12, 2011 regular meeting.

The Treasurer's Report was received.

Motion by Havens supported by McKenzie to add the Village Commercial Amendment to the Lima Township Master Plan, wording as of September 14, 2011, and the Master Plan Map dated September 16, 2011; and send this information to our attorney for his comments. Ayes: Laier, Barels, Havens, McKenzie and Unterbrink. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion by Barels supported by Later to table the FEMA Flood Plain Management Ordinance and send the information to Attorney Lillich for review and advice. Motion carried:

Motion by McKenzie, supported by Later to table Civil Infractions Procedures to a future date for a work session, and possibly seek to combine with other townships the purchase of consecutively numbered. tickets. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Later to table the fee schedule regarding temporary dwellings, Item 14 in the Lima Township Fee Schedule, until specific language is developed. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier, supported by Havens to extend the medical marijuana moratorium from December 13, 2012 until January 31, 2013. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzle supported by Later to authorize payment not to exceed \$800.00 to replace the handrall on the front ramp of the Lima Township Hall to be completed prior to the February 28, 2012 election. Motion carried A written estimate was requested.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laler to authorize payment or \$135.00 for registration fees to cover Consiglio, Frisinger and Unterbrink for the Sign Regulation Workshop at Pittsfield Township, on January 12, 2012, registration fees and mileage to the workshop will be paid by the Township, if during working hours duty. Frisinger should be paid for attendance. Motion carried. No: Havens and Unterbrink.

Motion by Lafer supported by Unterbrink to pay bills as submitted and any others as required. Motion carried.

Motion by Later supported by Havens to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF CHELSEA

WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CITY TO: OF CHELSEA, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

TAKE NOTICE that a zoning ordinance regulating the development and use of land has been adopted by the legislative body of the City of Chelsea, on January 24,2012, known as Ordinance No. 166-2012-07, which amends and revises Ordinance No. 166, pursuant to Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended.

The following is a summary of the revision and amendment to the Zoning. Ordinance:

\$2.02 Definitions, Accessory Structure, Building or Use, is amended by the deletion of Subsection A, Accessory Building and the following is substituted in its place and stend:

Accessory Building: A detached, subordinate building, the use of which is clearly incidental and related to that of the principal building or use of the lot, and which is located on the same lot as the principal building or use '

The effective date of the Ordinance is twenty (20) days from date of this publication.

This Ordinance may be inspected or purchased at the City Hall located at 305 South Main, Chelsea, Michlgan 48118 during normal business hours 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, excluding Holidays.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, January 10, 2012 Washington Street Education Center Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Consent Agenda

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

Approval of Regular Agenda. MOVED, Holmberg SECONDED Feeney to approve the agenda as submitted. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Council Business

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to transfer \$150,000 of General Fund monies to the Wastewater Fund as budgeted to help cover a portion of the bond interest payments for the new Wastewater treatment plant. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

2. 2011-2012 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 2011-2012. All Ayes, Motion Carried, 3. Capital Project Fund Transfer

MOVED Albertson SECONDED Hammer to transfer \$100,000 of General Fund monies to the Capital Project fund as budgeted for bond payments associated with the new Police Building, Five (5)Ayes. One (1) Nay. Motion Carried.

4. Municipal Building Transfer

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Feeney to transfer \$78,514 as specified to the Municipal Building fund for bond payments associated with the former Bookcrafter building purchase. All Ayes. Motion Carried: 5 Chelsea Educational Foundation Raffle Ticket License

MOVED Feency SECONDED Albertson to adopt the local governing body resolution for charitable gaming licenses. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

6. WWRA Resolutions for Residential Homes

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Holmberg to adopt the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority added debt fee for new dwelling units resolution. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Feeney to adopt the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority added operating fee for new dwelling units resolution. All Ayes. Motion carried.

7. Zoning Ordinance Text Change - First Reading

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Albertson to accept Ordinance No. 166-2012-07 and to place it on the January 24, 2012 City Council Agenda for Second Reading and Adoption, All Ayes. Motion Carried.

8. Adopt an Assessment and Management Plan to Meet the Federal Retro-Reflectivity Traffic Sign Standards

MOVED Holmberg SECONDED Feeney to adopt the City of Chelsen Traffic Sign Assessment and Maintenance Plan, All Ayes, Motion Carried

9. Further and Additional Discussion on Eniployee Benefit Cap

Adjournment

MOVED Hammer SECONDED Anderson to adjourn at 8:18 pm. All Ayes, Motion Carried:

Approved: January 24, 2012

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Respectfully submitted, Terri Royal, Clerk Publish February 2, 2012

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Ariene R. Barels, Clerk



MICHIGAN MIDDLE SCHOOL SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIP Young swimmers return with medals

Nineteen members of the Beach Middle School swim team represented their team at the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (MISCA) State Invitational held at-Holt High School this past weekend.

The Chelsea team was one of 50 teams from around the state competing in the meet, no team scores were kept.

"This is the largest group we've ever had at this meet," said coach Dave Brinklow. "More than half of our nineteen kids are 7th graders andin fact, our two highest finishers were 7th graders Jordan Smith, 3rd place in diving, and Lee Argir, 3rd place in the 50 butterfly."

Eighth grade co-captain Carter Engler also had an outstanding day. "Carter was just on fire today," said Brinklow. "He did everything we asked of him in preparation for this meet and his hard work paid off in a big way.

He dropped over a second on his anchor leg of the 6th place 200 medley relay, then swam the very next event, the 200 freestyle where he dropped 5 seconds off his best time to place 13th, dropped two more seconds in the 100 freestyle again placing 13th and swam the anchor leg of the 7th place 400 freestyle relay.

He has led by example all season and it was very fun to see him reap in his rewards.

The 200 medley relay team of Kurt Jolly, Aidan Carry, Argir and Engler had a season best time of 2:00.32 for 6th place.

Engler's 13th place in the 200 freestyle was 2:11.60, Carry was 21st at 2:17.99 and Jolly was 29th In the girls meet, Lauren Olk had a personal best of 2:20.07 for 18th place in the 200 freestyle and Taylor Brodbeck was 24th with her best time of 2:22.49.

«Eighth grade co-captain Camden Dammeyer was 26th in the 100 IM with a time of 1:15.04.

In the 50 freestyle, Anna Vanneste was 18th with her best time of 28.30 and Sydney Hodel was 22nd at 28.99.

Vanneste had another personal best time of 30.94 in the 50 butterfly placing 12th, Meryl McDonnel placed 14th with her best of 31.31 and Abby Burris swam her best time of 32.68 for 24th.

Rachel Valek dropped three seconds in the 100 freestyle, placing 12th at 1:01.95. Olk was 27th at 1:05.39 and Burris 28th at 1:06.30.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Hodel, Dammeyer, Olk and Vanneste placed 5th with a season best time of 1:55.20.

Valek was 25th in the 100 backstroke with a time⁴ of 1:13.62 and Ellie Doman was 29th at 1:17.16.

In the 100 breaststroke, Dammeyer was 20th at 1:23.11 and Clara Nelsen had a personal best of 1:24.24 for 23rd.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Olk, Burris, Brodbeck and Valek placed 10th with their time of 4:21.97.

Chelsea wins

Earlier in the week, Chelsea beat host Tecumseh 127-42 to end their dual meet season with 5 wins and 2 losses.

The 200 medley relay team of Doman, Ewald, Argir and Jolly took 1st, Ousley, Nelsen, McDonnell



ABOVE: The 400 freestyle relay team is Abby Burris (left to right), Taylor Brodbeck, Lauren Olk and Rachel Valek. BELOW: The 200 free relay is Camden Dammeyer (left to right), Sydney Hodel, Lauren Olk and Anna Vanneste. BOTTOM: The 50 fly medalists are Meryl McDonnell (left) and Anna Vanneste.



at 2:19.99.

In the 100 IM, Preston Ewald had a personal best time of 1:06.51 and Dylan Ousley was 24th with a personal best of 1:13.04.

Joey Mangner placed 12th in the 50 freestyle with his best time of 26.47 and Argir was 13th at 26.48.

Smith's 3rd place in the diving event was with a score of 159.85 points and 8th grade co-captain Mason Mitchell was 13th with 112.80 points.

Argir's 3rd place in the 50 butterfly was with a personal best time of 27.49 and Ewald was 11th with his best time of 29.36.

In the 100 freestyle, Engler's 13th place time was 58,39, Carry was 23rd at 1:01.61 and Mangner 24th at 1:01.68.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Mangner, Ewald, Carry and Argir placed 4th with a season best time of 1:46.65.

Jolly had a 3 second drop in the 100 backstroke where his time of 1:07.42 placed 6th. Ousley was -10th with his personal best time of 1:08.34.

Mangner, Ewald, Ousley and Engler had a season best time of 4:04.54 to take 7th in the 400 freestyle relay. and Hodel 2nd, and Valek, Dammeyer, Vanneste and Brian O'Toole 3rd.

Carry won the 200 freestyle followed by Olk 2nd and Nick Bremer 4th. In the 100 IM, Argir was 1st, Olk 4th and Isaac Smedshammer 5th.

Engler won the 50 freestyle with Mangner 2nd and Ewald 3rd.

In the diving event Smith was 2nd, Mitchell 3rd and Bily Francisco 4th.

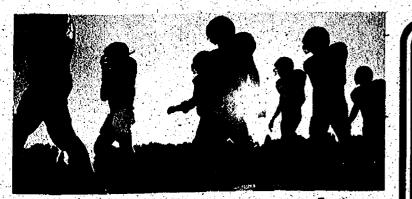
Dammeyer won the 50 butterfly, Austin Collier was 2nd and Nelsen 3rd. In the 100 freestyle, Vanneste was 1st, Hodel 2nd and Brodbeck 4th.

The 200 freestyle relay team-of Ölk, Carry, O'Toole and Mangner was 1st, Burris, Ewald, Dammeyer and Engler – 2nd and co-captain Ian Brinklow, Valek, Molly Olk and Argir 3rd, Jolly won the 100 back-

stroke, Ewald was 2nd, and Sam Beale 4th. In the 100 breaststroke,

Carry was 1st, Doman 3rd and Bremer 4th.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Mangner, Valek, Vanneste and Ousley took 1st, Engler, Burris, Čolton Bauserman and Brinklow 2nd, Argir, L. Olk, Brodbeck and O'Toole 3rd.



Football players march on

The helmets have long been put away but the rewards for a successful season and the results of hard work are still making headlines for the Chelsea football program.

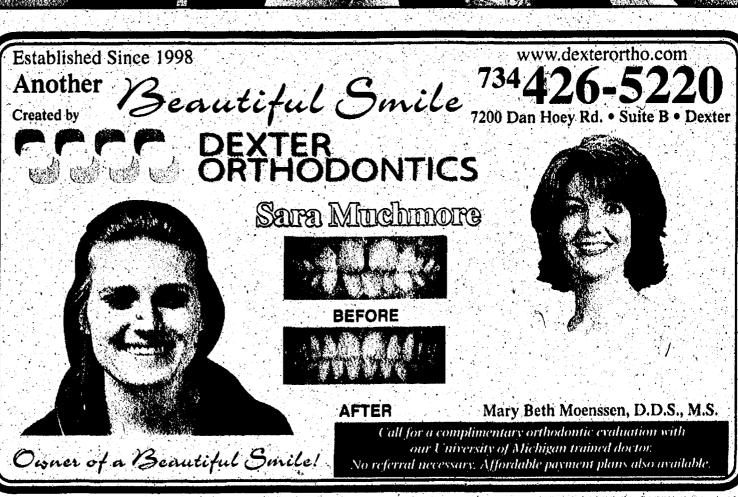
football program. Here is a breakdown of the Chelsea football seniors taking their games to the next level.

Linebacker Truman Hadley has accepted a scholarship to play football at Ferris State. Tight end Jake Steinhauer will be a referred walk-on at The Citadel (D1-AA). Outside linebacker Andrew Cerveny will play

for Kenyon College. Defensive back Dominic Davis will play for Albion College.

Offensive guard Griffin Kuras is headed to Deflance College.

Defensive back Max Giller is still undecided.





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