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Daniels showroom to be torn down

Historians call it 'demolition by neglect'

By Erica McClain
Heritage Media

After four years of discussion, debate and delays, the Daniels Showroom demolition began this week.

The teardown should take no longer than four to five days, according to City Manager John Hanifan.

The showroom is one of three connected historic, but blighted, buildings just south of the train tracks on South Main Street. Combined, they are better known

as the Longworth property. They are considered historically important to some because each of the three buildings represents a distinct period in transportation. The Daniels Showroom, which displayed automobiles, was built in the '50s and represents the Arte Moderne architectural style, exemplified by its streamlined appearance and flat roof.

Chelsea's Downtown Development Authority's decision to raze the building goes against local historic preservation members' wishes as well as that of the State Historic Preservation Office.

Brian D. Conway, a State Historic Preservation officer, cautioned the DDA last month that the demolition would not only adversely affect the property but also the entire

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commercial historic district.

The DDA purchased the building for roughly \$400,000 in 2008 and discussed several proposals, including one earlier this year, which later fell through.

DDA Board Member Mark Heydlauff said he feels the focus should be on making the best of the

remainder of the Longworth property. He said the DDA should work on the alleyway and the corridor as well as the entire block's aesthetics.

"I think (a developer) is going to grab it because they're going to see what we're doing around it,"

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Sylvan Twp wants city to help pay bond debt

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Media

Sylvan Township officials and attorney Gaëtan Gerville-Réache sent a letter to Chelsea City Manager John Hanifan this week informing the city that the township intends to hold it liable for 41 cents of every dollar that the township owes the county for water and sewer bond debt.

The letter contends that the city owes 41 percent of the \$12.5 million water and sewer facility debt because Chelsea Village incorporated as a city in 2004 after the bonds, which Sylvan now owes, were issued in September 2001.

"Under Section 14 of the Home Rule City Act, 'when ever a new city shall be incorporated, the personal property of the township from which it is taken shall be divided and its liabilities assumed between such city and the portion of the township remaining after such incorporation,'" the letter cites.

"The ratio is determined according to the assessed valuation of the property taken from the Township, including property located within the Village of Chelsea. Based on the assessment rolls from 2004, it appears that the City took 40.915% of the Township's assessed value (reducing the taxable value of the Township by 43.5%).

"And the City correspondingly assumed approximately 41% of the Township's general liability under the bond contracts. The



Photo by Burrill Strong

Future firefighter?

Maggie Baldwin, 6, cuts up a car with the help of Chelsea firefighter Colton White during the Chelsea Fire Authority's open house Sunday. For more photos, see page 13-C.

Sylvan Twp. millage stands after judge-approved recount

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Media

Those pulling for a structured, voter-approved, settlement of the water and sewer bond debt between Sylvan Township and Washtenaw County can breathe a little easier; a recount of the millage vote stands after a ballot recount.

Circuit Court Judge

Archie Brown gave the nod to a recount after the state Board of Canvassers denied the citizen-led request, due to the ballot bags being improperly sealed by the township, according to officials at the Washtenaw County Clerk's Office.

The millage passed by a very narrow margin of just seven votes, leaving some residents hopeful that

the structured settlement between the two communities could be derailed, while others wanted the 20-year 4.4 mill tax levy to be as legitimate as possible in the eyes of voters.

This most current millage election on Nov. 6 is the township's second attempt at avoiding going to court with the county after defaulting on the bond debt payment last May.

Under those circumstances, township residents would have to pay back the nearly \$14 million at a pace determined by a judge, which county officials believe would be a more rapid pace than the 20-year structure of the voter-approved millage, which could cause turmoil in the community at a time

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Saline council OKs tax abatement for Ford supplier

Equipment investment brings jobs

By Jim Pruitt

The Saline City Council approved a seven-year tax abatement for Kutzusoff Technik, Scherer and Trier USA Inc. Oct. 15.

The company is investing \$3.2 million in personal property and

has already created the 25 new jobs associated with the new equipment, bringing total employment near 100, City Manager Todd Campbell said.

"We are approaching the employment numbers already," John McNulty, staff accountant for Scherer and Trier said. "I don't do the payroll, but I do know they are getting up for all the new equipment."

The company located at 1294 Beach St. is preparing for work with Ford Motor Co. and is close to the targeted jobs number

he said. The equipment purchase will be completed by May 2014, city documents show.

The bulk of the investment comes from the purchase of two machines totaling more than \$2.4 million.

The company does plastic injection molding and supplies Ford, Mercedes, BMW and Volkswagen. It produces interior and exterior plastic trim pieces, McNulty said.

The company also makes interior trim for Volkswagen. Councilmember David



Scherer and Trier staff accountant John McNulty answers questions from the Saline City Council about the company's application for a tax abatement for \$3.2 million in investments for the plant on Beach Court in Saline.

Rhoads questioned the practice of using a formula that places the per job cost at \$50,000. The current culture doesn't work that way, he said.

Those changes will have to wait for a work session, Mayor Gretchen Driskell said.

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Talk on Agent Orange a call for action by veterans

Veterans call for more awareness

By Jim Pruitt

A chemical designed to lay waste to the jungles of Southeast Asia 40-plus years ago is destroying the lives of veterans and their descendants today.

The effects of Agent Orange is still being felt decades after the military stopped using it clear out places where the enemy could hide in Vietnam. Veterans have been fighting for years to get the government to recognize the damage the chemical has caused to the men and women who served and their children and grandchildren.

It's their stories that need to be told, says leaders in the effort.

To that end, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 319 and the Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America hosted a town hall meeting Saturday at the William B. Lutz American Legion Hall, Post 322, in Saline.

About 40 people came out to hear various speakers talk about the problem and the efforts to get Congress to enact legislation to pay for studies and assistance.

The U.S. military used Agent Orange to defoliate the jungles of Vietnam and as many as 2 million veterans may have been exposed from 1961 to 70. Its main ingredient, dioxin, is the culprit in the problems caused by exposure to it.

According to a booklet available at the meeting, diseases and conditions recognized by the Veterans Administration as connected to Agent Orange exposure include chloracne, Hodgkin's disease, ischemic heart disease, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, Parkinson's disease, peripheral neu-

ropathy and spina bifida among others.

Thirty-eight types of cancer, including cancers of the bronchus, larynx, lung, prostate, trachea and several sarcomas, are listed.

The impact on the veterans is acute, but it may be greater for their offspring and descendants.

The problem began soon after the soldiers returned home. Sandie Wilson, a former Army nurse, said. Unlike World War II, there was no baby boom after Vietnam.

"They kept it quiet," she said. "They didn't link it to their service years like in World War II."

What the veterans kept quiet about was changes in reproduction, spontaneous abortions, birth defects and difficulties in conceiving, Wilson said. She related the story of the 101st Airborne Division. After the troops returned from Vietnam, the reunited couples experienced a high percentage of cesarean deliveries.

"At Fort Campbell, 30 percent of all births were C-sections," Wilson said. "Their kids were coming to the pediatric unit and needed help."

Instead of studying the problem, Wilson said the military sent all the children to a university hospital and nothing was followed upon to discover the cause.

"This is the true tale of the 101st and starting their families," she said. "We knew they had problems, but they were shifted all to the university. If it had been a problem in a segment of the (general population), it would have been studied."

"But they didn't tell anyone. They didn't relate it to military experience."

The only way the veterans and their families

will get the help they need is for Congress to pass legislation. So far, the response in Washington has been lackluster, she said.

"We can't send lobbyists, we have to prove a problem," Wilson said. "We need to hear from you. We need you to be concerned enough."

Veterans need to know they don't have to have their finances ruined by a disease, Wilson said. If they are sick and need care, the VA needs to be paying their bills, she said.

"There is a responsibility that his country owes us," Wilson said.

Not everyone affected by the consequences of exposure was from a family member who served in the military. Many civilians are among the victims.

That includes people who worked at the plant that made Agent Orange, including Kelly Saiya-Cork's grandmother.

The matron of her family in New Jersey, Saiya-Cork's grandmother brought the dust from the chemical home for years, inadvertently exposing her grandchildren to the chemical, Saiya-Cork said.

Her grandmother died when Saiya-Cork was 7 years old. The effects on her family began showing up soon after.

"I had chicken pox, it was natural," she said. "My cousin got the chicken pox. He grew up in my grandmother's house and got really horrible."

Another relative developed an unusually bad skin problem, while her sister complained of a severe abdominal pain. The doctors thought it was a twisted spine, but it turned out the girl's kidneys didn't form correctly. The problem was not discovered until her sister was 12.

Saiya-Cork got a severe case of acne that spread to her back, chest and

arms. She developed arthritis-like symptoms that she said the doctors dismissed.

Her story should be a clarion call to action by veterans, she said. Their children need to come forward, she said. Some of the effects of Agent Orange and dioxin include fatal food allergies, she said.

"We need to get your kids in these rooms," Saiya-Cork said. "Make them sick of hearing from you. Tell them you need help from car to home."

"Have them help you with the computer. Kick us in our butts and get us going."

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Chelsea schools receive clean audit

By Crystal Hayduk
Special Writer

The Chelsea School District has received a clean bill of financial health.

Tracey Kasperek, audit manager for Rehmann Robson, addressed the Chelsea School District Board of Education at their meeting on Monday. She reviewed the highlights of her company's audit of the district's finances, giving it an unqualified "clean" opinion. The district's fund balance as of June 30 was \$5.2 million.

Board member Jeff Crowder said that it was good to hear the school district's actual budget had come very close to the projected budget, a difficult target to meet with changes in funding throughout the year in addition to multiple sources of income.

"The public should be aware that board members of the finance committee volunteer their time to come in very early or very late for meetings," Crowder added.

■ Ballot Proposals 2 and 5 were noticeably absent

from the meeting agenda, following discussion about the issues on October 8. "The policy committee met regarding Proposals 2 and 5," Board President Steve Olsen said. "The board will not be making a recommendation one way or another, so that is why it's not on the agenda."

■ Superintendent Andrew Ingall reported on the state's "Best Practice" incentive funding of \$54 per student for districts that meet seven out of eight specific practices. Chelsea School District currently

meets six practices. To receive the additional funding, Chelsea would need to either become a School of Choice or meet increased seat time for physical education or health education.

Ingall said that the district is not opposed to the physical education or health requirements, but "we just don't have time with balancing the grade level expectations." He said that it would also be "cost negative to hire the staff it would require to meet the increased hours for every student."

■ The board may consider

opening limited spots in the district to meet the School of Choice requirement for the short-term.

■ Laurel McDewitt announced that the Reproductive Health Advisory Committee had made a recommendation for a change in the curriculum. The information will be

available for public hearing on October 29 and November 6 at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Administrative Office at the Washington Street Education Center.

■ The next board meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 12 at South Meadows Elementary School, 335 Pierce St.

DANIELS

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Heydlauff said, "Doing nothing isn't helping this project."

"There are people out there still interested but I think they need to see what we're planning on doing."

Heydlauff stressed to the board members his desire for a stronger sense of urgency in moving forward with not just demolishing the Daniels Showroom but also carrying out a plan for the remainder of the Longworth structure.

"We need to have that project happen, and it needs to move forward, and we're spending way too much time talking about the past where I want to get a timeline on what we're going to do in

the future and where we're going to head with that."

Heydlauff called for the creation of a very strict timeline for the DDA to get the project done. In order to ensure progression, he said he'd like to see more DDA work sessions.

Hanifan cautioned Heydlauff that work sessions alone will not guarantee the end of work with the Longworth.

"I don't want to dig up old wounds or dig through old history, but we can meet every two weeks ... but you have to come to a consensus on what you want to see there," Hanifan said.

Heydlauff said he thinks best plan of action for the two remaining Longworth buildings, the Mack and the Livery, would be to separate them.

"Let's put them both on the market individually," he said.

To try and improve communication with the public, Heydlauff also called for more open, frank discussions during meetings.

"I think really over the last few years we've gotten away from that," he said. "I don't know if it's because all of a sudden we're filmed and it's on camera and everybody's afraid to say something, but we have a board that has some pretty experienced people on it that have done development, that have facilities. There's a lot of knowledge sitting up here, and I think a little more open discussion and kicking around ideas will take us in the right way."

The DDA will meet 7:30 a.m. Nov. 1 in the council

chambers at the municipal building, 311 S. Main St., for a work session regarding future plans for Longworth.

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Township has not requested any contribution from the City of Chelsea until now because this is the first year that the Township has been unable to satisfy the bond obligations with revenue from special assessments.

"Because of this shortfall, the Township recently levied an additional 4.4 mills on all properties within the Township, to make good on its pledge of the Township's full faith and credit. By the same token, the City of Chelsea is now obligated to reimburse the Township, or make its contribution directly to the County, in an amount approximating 41 cents of every dollar the Township would otherwise have to pay the County from its millage."

SYLVAN

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when the township is proactively looking at solutions to future liability with the water plant at the center of the debt debate.

Judge Brown's ruling that the gaps in the seals on the ballot bags were not large enough to invite or allow tampering has closed those possibilities and ensured that the township and county will not need to go to court again on the debt matter.

The letter went on to express hope for a "mutually agreeable solution" on what to do with the underutilized water and sewer facility, but "the township cannot, in all fairness, saddle its remaining property owners with a financial burden that was originally intended to be, and is legally required to be, borne by property now within the City of Chelsea."

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Legislators speak on early childhood education

No answers to shortage of funding

By Danny Shaw
Heritage Media

Several state legislators, including U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., and U.S. Rep. John Dingell, D-15th District, attended an event in Ypsilanti Oct. 15 to speak about the importance of early childhood education programs and the vital need for more funding.

The Legislative Breakfast, hosted by the Washtenaw Success by 6 Great Start Collaborative, featured Levin and Dingell, along with a panel of other local lawmakers in effort to educate and bring awareness to the importance of early childhood education.

Other legislative panelists included state Reps. Rick Olson, R-55th District; Mark Ouimet, R-52nd District; state Rep. David Rutledge, D-54th District; and state Sen. Rebekah Warren, D-18th District.

Success by 6 is a countywide collaboration of more than 40 organizations focusing on educational programs and resources for families and children, according to its website.

Dingell told attendees, comprised of teachers, school administrators and various local politicians, that additional funding is most certainly a possibility if enough supporters band together for the cause.

"These kids constitute 25 percent of our population, but they are 100 percent of the future of the United States," Dingell said. "I don't think that we serve the United States or our future well by failing to recognize this point."

Dingell was accompanied by his wife, Debbie, co-chairwoman of the Children's Leadership Council of Michigan, who spoke about the importance to maintain a public voice for a demographic that she called "voiceless."

"We realized the biggest problem in the state is that kids don't have a voice - there's no advocate for them and they keep getting screwed - and I'm going to use that word this morning because there is no advocate," Debbie Dingell said. "If we're going to make sure we have a United States of America and a state of Michigan with a healthy future, we have to be the advocates to ensure that our young people get what they need."

Margy Long, Success by 6 director, said early childhood development is a topic that supersedes political party boundaries and that was proven by the turnout and support of both Democrat and Republican legislators.

"The proof will really be when we start to do the budget work and really ask them to be a champion for the kids and ask them to step up," Long said. "A number of them have been leaders in the Great Start Collaborative. So, we're very hopeful that they will take leadership roles."

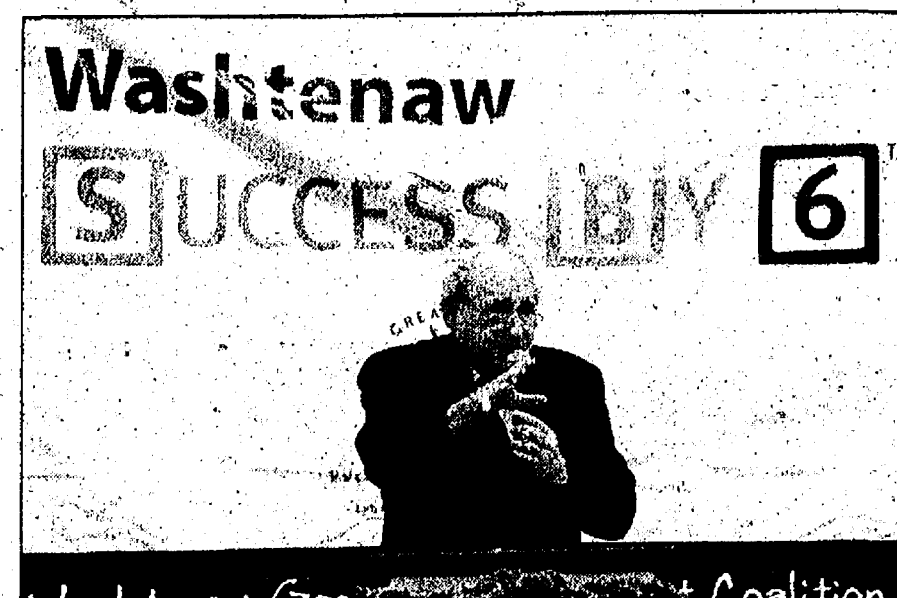
Long said she thinks the event was a success and accomplished its goal of bringing the right people to the table and creating more awareness around the topic.

John Dingell agreed with Long that bipartisan support is important and overall cooperation is needed for the benefit of the state and the nation as a whole.

"First of all, it relates to not only to crossing party lines, which is important, but cooperation and working together is vastly more important," he said. "If that happens, party lines would begin to have less significance."

While the legislators in attendance agreed about the importance of early childhood funding, one question remained: How will it all be paid for?

Levin spoke about the impending \$1.2 trillion in cuts across the board nationally and how that



U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., attended the Legislative Breakfast hosted by Washtenaw Success by 6, and spoke about the financial challenges in educational funding.

would affect public education.

"This is what's going to happen if we -- we, being Congress, act before the end of this year," Levin said. "On the education side, there's going to be 100,000 fewer children nationwide in Head Start. There's going to be 12,000 fewer special education teachers."

"There's going to be 80,000 fewer low-income children receiving child care, and on and on. Now, those numbers, I hope, scare the heck out of you."

For Rutledge, it isn't about

how to create additional revenue for early childhood programs; it's how to increase the priority of those programs in the minds of decision-makers statewide.

"In the final analysis, it's how to we make this a high priority and then how do we rally around it to bring the budget around that priority," Rutledge said.

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Series to mark Investing in Abilities Month

University of Michigan series has 'can-do' attitude

By Amy Bell
Heritage Media

In recognition of October as Investing in Abilities Month in Michigan, the University of Michigan is hosting its annual "Investing in Ability" series. The series aims to end the stigma behind those with disabilities and promote their abilities.

The event features a number of events at the University of Michigan and in Ann Arbor through Friday and again on Nov. 20.

"We feel that we want to have the event to raise consciousness about what people with disabilities can do," said Anna Schnitzer, event chairwoman.

an. "We want to make it very positive, like the Paralympics."

Everyone has a chance of knowing someone with a disability, be it a friend or family member, and people need to absorb the fact that this is part of life and we need to celebrate what people can do, she said.

One of this year's highlights will be the Army/Navy wheelchair basketball game at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 20 that has been moved to the Crisler Center, 333 E. Stadium Blvd.

Previously, the event was held in the Saline High School gymnasium. This year, the committee members decided to move it so it will be closer to the university and more people will be able to attend, she said.

Popular events include activities with service dogs, therapy dogs and assistance dogs.

Schnitzer said this is a popular part of the series and, through the years, more locations have been added to

bring in more people.

"People are very enthusiastic about seeing the dogs," she said.

Events include discussions about how art is interwoven with medicine, the latest research on autism and how society perceives those with disabilities.

The week will be capped off by a James T. Neubacher Award Presentation from 10 a.m. to noon Friday.

This year's mental health symposium is already filled to capacity. More events are detailed at ability.umich.edu/law.

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OCTOBER 22 - OCTOBER 28

DAY	TIME	EVENT
MON 10/22	11AM-1PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
MON 10/22	1PM-3PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
TUE 10/23	11AM-1PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
TUE 10/23	1PM-3PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
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FRI 10/26	1PM-3PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
SAT 10/27	11AM-1PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
SAT 10/27	1PM-3PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
SUN 10/28	11AM-1PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help
SUN 10/28	1PM-3PM	Major Service Dogs: How They Help

ability.umich.edu/law

The University of Michigan is hosting its annual "Investing in Ability" series. The series aims to end the stigma behind those with disabilities and promote their abilities.

Former Heritage editor receives state award for agricultural reporting



Tanya Wildt

In-depth coverage of agricultural news and issues set the stage for a former copy editor to be honored for her outstanding work informing the community about the state's \$91.4 billion agriculture industry.

Tanya Wildt of Westland has been named Michigan Farm Bureau's 2012 Agricultural Communicator of the Year.

Formerly of Heritage Media, Wildt was nominated by Washtenaw County Farm Bureau for her extensive coverage of agricultural news and issues in southeast Michigan.

As the designated farm reporter, she informed her readers almost daily through

printed articles and her blog, "Harvesting Washtenaw."

Taking on the agriculture assignment in late 2011, Wildt partnered with Farm Bureau and the local farming community.

She explored various farming techniques, the U.S. Department of Labor's proposed child farm labor rule changes and the launch of the Washtenaw County Food Hub. Additionally, she was first in line to cover county Farm Bureau events and programs.

She also produced Heritage Newspaper's first eight-page agriculture insert focusing on various aspects of the industry, including new trends, markets and technology.

On her blog, Wildt highlighted local, state and national farm issues, informing the public about subjects not normally addressed in her regular columns.

Topics included legislative visits and speakers, emergency preparation and point-of-sale systems at farmers' markets and how they affect purchases of those who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.

"The depth and breadth of agricultural coverage in Washtenaw County has increased exponentially because of Tanya," said Kathy Siler, who nominated Wildt for the award and leads the

county Farm Bureau's communication efforts.

"Her dedication is apparent through her extensive coverage of both traditional and organic farming and local food movements."

MFB's other 2012 Agricultural Communicator of the Year award went to the WZZM news team of Grand Rapids.

For their outstanding work providing informative content for the general public that helps raise the profile and promote the importance of agriculture, Wildt and the WZZM news team will be honored at MFB's 2012 State Annual Meeting Nov. 27 through 30 in Grand Rapids.

Brandon to serve on Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports

Gov. Rick Snyder in mid-October announced the appointments of David Brandon of Ann Arbor and Mark Hollis of East Lansing to serve as honorary co-chairmen of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports.

The 15-member council was established to urge an increase in the physical activity and an improvement in the health of Michiganders. The year 2012 marks its 20th year of service.

"It gives me great pleasure to announce

the wonderful partnership David and Mark will share in service to the Great Lakes State," said Snyder in a news release.

"Though they may be on opposing teams for this Saturday's MSU/UM game, I know these outstanding leaders are on the same side when it comes to building a healthier and stronger Michigan."

"We are excited to have two of the most prominent leaders in sports and education in Michigan help lead our state down the path

towards healthier living," said Marilyn Lieber, president and CEO of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports.

"Mark and David will be powerful advocates for our mission to 'Get Michigan on Its Feet,' and we look forward to their leadership and passion in helping Michigan citizens to make healthy choices."

Brandon is director of intercollegiate athletics at the University of Michigan, where he has worked since 2010.

Previously, he served

as chairman and CEO of Ann Arbor-based Domino's Pizza Inc. and as president and CEO of Valassis Communications Inc.

Brandon continues to serve as non-executive chairman of Domino's Pizza Inc. and is a member of the board of directors for Herman Miller, DTE Energy and the Kaydon Corp.

He received a bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Michigan and has honorary doctorate degrees from

Albion College, Central Michigan University, Cleary College, Davenport University, Lawrence Technological University, Schoolcraft College and Walsh College.

Hollis is athletics director for Michigan State University, a position he has held since 2008. He brings more than 20 years of athletics administration experience, having previously served as assistant and associate athletic director at the University of Pittsburgh and as assistant commis-

sioner for the Western Athletic Conference.

During his tenure at MSU, student athletes have excelled, not only in competition, but also academically. In the spring of this year, the athletics department announced the highest cumulative grade-point average in program history.

Hollis holds a bachelor's degree in communications from Michigan State University and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Colorado.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support Lange for Sylvan Township supervisor

In this rare and important instance, I am writing to publicly express my perspective on an important decision before the electorate of Sylvan Township. For those that know me, I am sure it will be a surprise to find a public expression of my thoughts in this manner. I try to stay out of the public domain when it comes to the matters of local politics as I have spent my career working with and for national and state leaders as a legislative and public policy development specialist. Like a blacksmith who abstains from a heated discussion of the benefits of handmade footwear while socializing with friends and neighbors, I often adhere to a self-imposed rule not to enter the fray of township issues amidst the debates of the public square.

Thus, I make this exception with careful consideration and a tremendous amount of passion and belief pushing me past my own mores. It is with this conviction that I publicly endorse and encourage support of Robert Lange for Sylvan Township supervisor.

I first met Mr. Lange approximately seven years ago when my wife and I decided to build our first new home on Cavanaugh Lake in Sylvan Township. We were not experienced at the building process, and although I had worked in many political arenas, we were not ready for the task of navigating zoning ordinances. From the first meeting till the last, Mr. Lange, in his role at the time as the zoning ordinance officer, treated us with utmost care and support. In fact, I would call it approaching us like a customer. He helped us navigate the muddy and often frustrating waters of the zoning appeals process. This stood in stark contrast to the zoning appeals board at the time, which I realized first hand treated those who came before it as a more of a nuisance than a customer. In fact, without Mr. Lange's approach, my wife and I would not have continued with our project and would have likely chosen to build elsewhere after our first frustrating interactions with the zoning process.

Fundamental to my belief structures and my daily public policy work is an underlying concept that the closer government is to the people in which it serves, the more it shall become a servant and expert in customer service. Mr. Robert Lange provides this key component for Sylvan Township. He does not forget why he is doing the work for which he is elected.

With these standards and reasons, I humbly ask for your support of Mr. Robert Lange for Sylvan Township Supervisor.

David P. Seitz
Sylvan Township
Resident

Board candidate has conflict of interest

I did not attend the question and answer session on Oct. 2, 2012, but I did review the online video. I was surprised to learn Laura Bush was running for Chelsea School Board Trustee. It seems to me that there would be a conflict of interest for her to serve on the school board while her husband is a teacher and coach in the same district.

One of the duties of the school board is voting on salary and benefits for teachers which would directly affect her family's income. Even if, as a board member, she abstains from the vote on issues that directly benefit her monetarily, would she be able to refrain from direct deliberations with other board members that might influence their vote? What about other issues that would affect her husband as an educator and coach, issues such as athletic funding and whether Chelsea should become school of choice? Would she have to abstain from voting on and deliberating these issues as well? In abstaining would she be adequately representing the district on issues that might affect all constituents, such as reduction in programs versus union concessions to reduce deficits?

Obviously there is no rule or law that petition would have been denied, but this is an issue the school board should look in to.

Heather Platt
Chelsea

Support Fink for circuit court

Each of us in Washtenaw County have an opportunity to elect a capable, professional attorney to the Circuit Court of our County. Jim Fink has the background, integrity, and knowledge to be among the most outstanding judges ever to serve in our County. I would ask everyone of my neighbors to have a look at the record that Jim has created over the many years of service to our County.

Douglas E. Fuller
Scioto Township

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Teresa Reynhout
Chelsea

New board needed in Sylvan Township

I do not live in Sylvan Township, but in the Chelsea area. I have been watching the Sylvan Township's difficulties with coping with expansion and their troubled relationship with the City of Chelsea for

some time now. I believe that a new board would be better able to deal with the issue, as the old board may have poisoned the well.

David Kujawa
Chelsea

Carson will make a great president

Jim Carson is running for Village President. I've known Jim for a few years and I've had the pleasure of working with him for just over a year on the Planning Commission.

In my experience, Jim is a thoughtful, open-minded person who means what he says. He does not come to this election with an agenda outside of wanting to see the Village thrive - he will lead on the basis of what residents want and Jim will actively work with residents to figure out what that is.

I have found that Jim is collaborative and wants to understand why people

feel the way they do about the issues that affect them. I expect, and look forward to, town hall meetings, open discussions, an openness to other's opinions and transparency that I know Jim will provide.

Jim will make an excellent Village President.
Marni Schmid
Dexter

Support these Dexter candidates

We residents of the

Dexter School District have the opportunity to extend the public service of two dedicated and proficient board members: Larry Cobler and Chris Gordon.

I have had the pleasure to know both of the men for some time; men more dedicated to doing the correct thing you cannot find. They deserve reelection.

Douglas Fuller
Dexter

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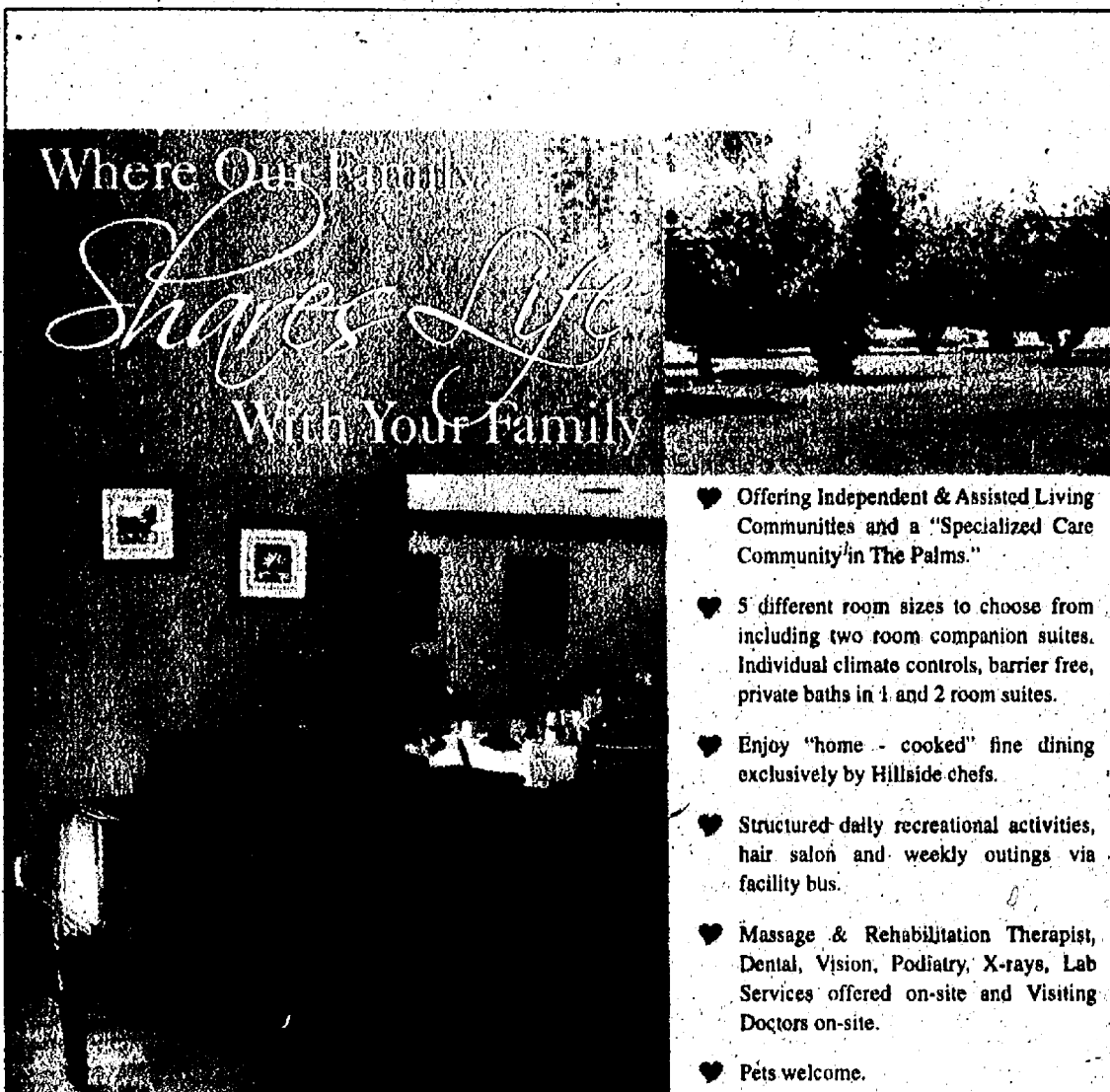
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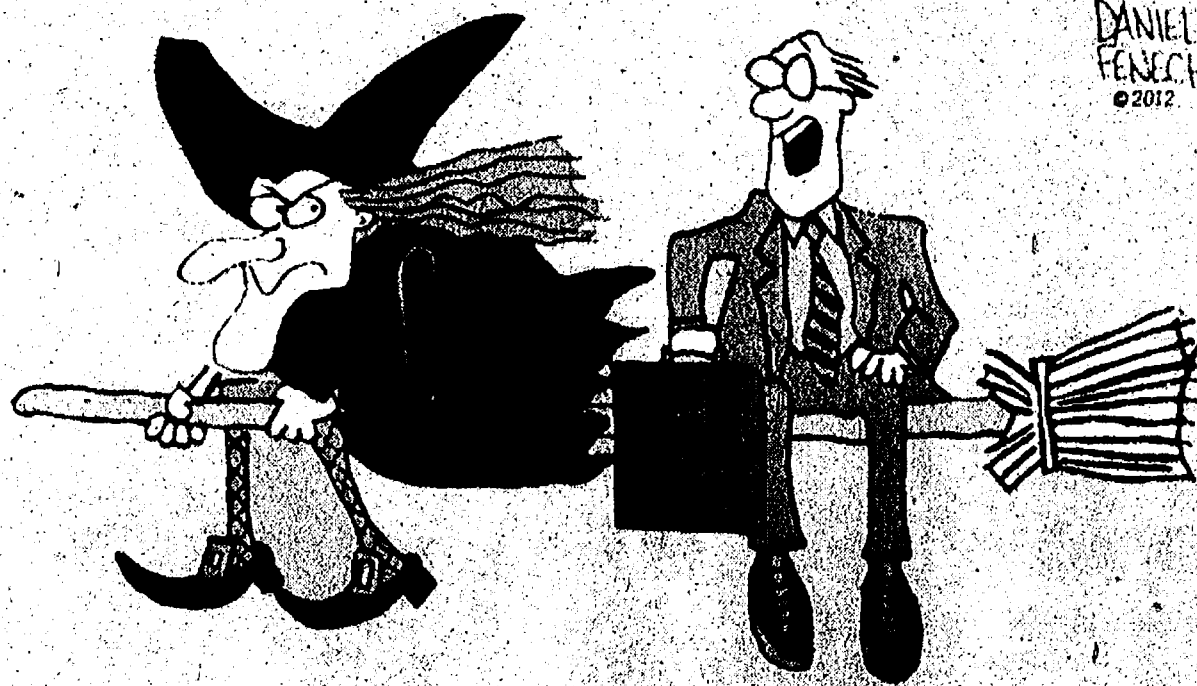
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What do you like to dress up as at Halloween?

- A. An animal or cartoon character
B. Something scary
C. A politician, celebrity or TV character
D. Something silly or funny



"DON'T HEX AND DRIVE."

OUR TAKE: Editorial

Let the free market regulate the homecare industry

A proposal to create a statewide Quality Home Care Council to do background checks on caregivers is a good idea, but it doesn't belong in the Michigan Constitution.

If approved Nov. 6, Proposal 4 would create the council that would oversee a registry that links homecare recipients with prescreened care providers in a senior or disabled person's area.

It also will require homecare providers on the registry to undergo criminal background checks and give them the right to create unions for collective bargaining.

Thomas Morgan, spokesman for Proposal 4, said passage would lead to huge savings if a person with a disability or a senior were cared for at home rather than in a nursing home, which easily costs thousands of dollars a month.

He said the conservative Anderson Economic Group and the AARP estimated it was "10 times less expensive to keep someone at home with proper care than place them in a nursing home."

Morgan said, however, that the costs of home care under the proposal would be paid for by Medicaid or by individuals who are covered by both Medicaid and Medicare.

For those who have to pay privately, the advantage is that they could use the registry to make sure someone without a criminal record and proper training cares for a loved one, he said.

Michael Harris, executive director of the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America of Novi, endorses Proposal 4.

"Michigan veterans risked their lives to protect the safety and security of our nation's citizens, and Proposal 4 will in turn help protect the safety and security of our aging and paralyzed veterans," said Harris, a Marine who was paralyzed in a car accident.

Others who support the constitutional amendment include the Michigan Disability Rights Coalition, the Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan, ADAPT Michigan, the MS Society-Michigan Chapter, the Michigan Independent Providers Association, the Disability Network of Oakland and Macomb, ACCESS, The Arc Michigan and many more.

Proposal 4 is a good idea, but the free market should regulate the homecare industry. There are many agencies to make sure that those being treated at home have remedy if they are abused.

Once Proposal 4 becomes part of the constitution, it also would be difficult to amend or change it if it turns out that it didn't work well or led to much higher home care costs, which we suspect will happen.

— Journal Register News Service

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Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Today's politics reminiscent of Hoover vs. FDR

We've come full circle. In the 1920s, the Dow was going nuts through unregulated speculation while President Hoover watched, because unbridled capitalism is sacrosanct.

As never before, purchasing stock was touted as everyone's ticket to security; and so millions bought it. The banking industry encouraged farmers to take out loans and buy more land than they could realistically afford, because crop prices would only go up.

But it was a house of cards. And it toppled. Hoover preached that the solution to the Great Depression was faith in Wall Street, but the millions imperiled needed immediate help.

FDR was elected, inheriting a financial and social nightmare. In response, he institutes Social Security, the WPA, farm subsidies, and numerous programs designed to improve the security of Americans.

And many on the political right were outraged, vilifying the president. He was turning their capitalist America into a socialist state.

Yet today, most concede FDR wasn't such a terrible guy. And his "socialist agenda" actually stabilized a battered nation.

Fast-forward seven decades. The Dow is going nuts through poorly-regulated speculation as President Bush does nothing, because unbridled capitalism is sacrosanct.

Encouraged by the banking industry, families refinance their mortgages to "adjustable rates" and take out loans for homes they can never realistically afford. But it doesn't matter because those financial institutions are going to bundle the "sub-prime loans" in with the good and sell them to unwitting investors.

Again, it is a house of cards. And again, it topples. Once again, the country has been figuratively driven into the ditch by the financial sector. And again, a new president is elected, inheriting a financial and social nightmare.

In response, he rescues the domestic auto industry through government loans. Policies to help manage

runaway health care costs are instituted.

And many on the political right are outraged, vilifying the president, saying he's turning their capitalist America into a socialist state.

They say this even as many of our retirees pay a higher tax rate than our billionaires, and proposals to level the playing field are spun as "class warfare."

"Let the auto industry fail," many howl, including the Republican nominee. At the mid-term, the new Speaker of the House declares that his top priority is to block any efforts of the new president and to "insure that he is not re-elected."

Two years of stalemate show that he wasn't kidding. Perhaps, this is what happens in a country where corporations are declared "individuals" and can spend unlimited funds to make whatever claims they want.

Maybe this is what happens when the No. 1 "news network" is controlled by the same guy who brings us the National Enquirer. Facts aren't necessary when the objective is to incite, and not inform.

And in response, rather than engage in honest, critical thinking we turn to carefully selected cable and radio; to the blogosphere and social media; finding validation for our preexisting attitudes and opinions. It has been said that we only get the government we deserve. We'd better all hope that isn't true.

Christopher Meloche
Chelsea

Vote 'yes' on Prop 3 to create jobs, improve residents' state of health

My faith teaches me to care for people and for the planet. For that reason, I am voting for Proposal 3.

Requiring that we get 25 percent of our electricity from renewable sources by 2025 would have significant health benefits (less asthma; less mercury in our fish and our bodies, etc.).

It would create tens of thousands of jobs; last week's editorial says "no," but cites no evidence; a recent MSU study says "yes."

And it would help slow climate change — a very

important fact to some of us in the faith community, although no one seems to be talking about it in the media.

A recent Heritage editorial says it's not possible, but the facts do not support this.

Iowa currently at 23 percent of its electricity from renewables says it's possible. Germany, with cloud cover worse than Michigan's and 20 percent of its electricity from renewables in 2011 (aiming for 35 percent by 2020) says it's possible.

Engineers who are experts in the area say it's possible.

I close with a quote from the pastor of Ann Arbor's Vineyard Church, "Love does no harm to its neighbors, but our over-reliance on coal is doing harm. Is this acceptable to us? We will continue to be dependent on fossil fuels (oil, coal, and natural gas) for years to come. But we are bound by decency to reduce this dependence, especially on the most polluting fossil fuel: coal. It's a moral issue."

We currently get 60 percent of our electricity from coal.

Please join me in voting for Proposal 3.

Jan Wright
Ypsilanti

Driskell's claim that Oulmet is 'anti-education' unfounded

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Well done, Rep. Oulmet, for making the right choices for our kids and schools. Shame on you, Ms. Driskell, for trying to obscure the truth with false attacks.

Teresa Reynhout
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Douglas E. Fuller
Scio Township

Trust Law to make best decisions for Saline community

I first met (mayoral candidate) Glen Law when he served on the Saline City Council several years ago.

I was very favorably impressed with his careful consideration of the issues, his ability to see the future consequences of council decisions and his quiet-but-firm stand when it was needed.

I feel confident that in these uncertain times I can trust him to make the right decisions for our city.

Phyllis Martin
Saline

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Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Get the facts about Alzheimer's at conference

Every 69 seconds a person develops Alzheimer's Disease.

Alzheimer's is the most common form of dementia that causes problems with memory, thinking and behavior.

Many think that Alzheimer's is a "normal part of aging," but that is not the case. Individuals as young as 40 years old can develop Alzheimer's.

When an individual develops Alzheimer's, it impacts everyone.

Individuals celebrate National Alzheimer's

Disease Awareness Month in November. NADAM is there to educate others about Alzheimer's and discuss the stigmas associated with Alzheimer's Disease.

In honor of NADAM, the Alzheimer's Association - Greater Michigan Chapter and the Wayne State University's Institute of Gerontology will host an informative conference from 7:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 1 at the Shriners Silver Garden Conference Center.

We will cover the whole person approach, relationship-centered care and more.

For more information, call 248-996-1052.

Andrea Traskos
Belleville

Black Lab Daphne is Chelsea's Top Dog

There are good dogs and then there are Top Dogs.

Daphne, a black Labrador retriever, owned by Michelle McCarthy is both. She has been named this year's Top Dog of Chelsea.

The honor is part of a contest that helps raise money for the

American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer program. A total of \$5,218 was raised from the contest.

Daphne's participation was sponsored by the Arctic Breakaway Restaurant. Rich Colensky, manager of the restaurant, served a "Daphne Gumbo"

on its menu during the contest, donating \$2 back off every sale of the gumbo.

Second place went to Bear, owned by Joe Merkel and sponsored by Wolverine Food and Spirits. Third place was captured by Jacques, owned by Laura Scriven and sponsored by the

Global Marketplace.

The Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk takes place on Saturday at Washtenaw Community College.

Barb Marshall, organizer of the contest and fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, was extremely pleased with the

amount of money raised, which exceeded last year's total by over \$1,400.

Marshall has raised almost \$30,000 for this walk, her 10th consecutive walk for the society. Her overall total is now over \$150,000 for all the walks she has done.

Renovated dental office to host Nov. 14 open house

The former office of Dr. Robert J. Turck, a long-time resident and dentist in the Dexter community, has undergone a transformation since his retirement late last year.

Dr. Peter Wloszek has taken over the clinical responsibilities. Wloszek is a graduate of University of Detroit-Mercy Dental School with private practice experience as well as a general practice residency with the University of Detroit-Mercy Dental School and St. John's Hospital. He shares Turck's philosophy of patient care, and offers advanced dental procedures using the most current technologies.

Wloszek is available four days per week for patient convenience. On a personal note, he enjoys playing guitar, composing

music, and the outdoors. There has also been a renovation of the building. There are now five treatment rooms, state-of-the-art equipment, and a television, X-box, and coffee station to make patient visits more enjoyable. They have also added a website for 24/7 access to practice information. Go to www.dentistdexter.com.

Available services include cosmetic and family dentistry for all ages; cleanings, crowns, bridges, dentures, root canals, and silver or white fillings. New patients are always welcome. The office is at 3060 Baker Road, Dexter.

There will be an open house on Nov. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. All are welcome to come meet Wloszek and get a tour of the office.

Contact Great Lakes Family Dental Group at 734-426-4651.



Wloszek



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday-Sunday

"Evil Dead the Musical," will be performed by the Dexter Community Players at the Copeland Theater, 7714 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter. Show times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 7 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$20 for Splatter Zone, limited seating available in this area. For tickets and information, visit www.dextercommunityplayers.com.

Saturday

The Dexter District Library will host Kinderconcert at 10 a.m. There will be music and movement with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and Gari Stein.

For ages 6 and under. At 11 a.m., DIY Craft for Grades 5 - 12. Participants will paint a Skull for Day of the Dead. Registration required. At 1 p.m. in the library.

Chef Alex Young of Zingerman's Roadhouse will discuss using locally grown food at the library.

Tuesday

The Dexter District Library will host Going Gluten Free at 7 p.m. Sample a gluten free pancake and get some simple recipes.

Thursday

At 7 p.m., the Dexter District Library will feature the film on food, agriculture and eating: "King Corn." Refreshments provided.

Saturday

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Friends of the Dexter District Library Used Book Sale will be held at the library.

Roy Schmidt will have a book signing of "Other Voices" from 1-3 p.m. at Back to the Roots, on Main Street in Chelsea.

Nov. 2

The Purple Rose



Theatre Company is hosting a Chicago-themed gala event "A Night in the Windy City - A Chicago Style Donut Soirée." The event will feature a cocktail hour, fall harvest dinner and live music, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Village Conference Center, at 1645 Commerce Park Drive in Chelsea. The event will include special performance of "Superior Donuts," photo booth, a trolley car ride provided by Tecumseh Trolley & Limousine Service to the theater for the special showing, and an auction by Lucas Daniels. All proceeds from the \$200-a-piece tickets will benefit the Purple Rose Theatre Company. For tickets, call (734) 433-7782 ext 15.

Nov. 6

While school is out, the Dexter District library will host the Wild Swan Theater

Presents: "Peter Rabbit" at 11 a.m. When Peter Rabbit ventures into Farmer McGregor's garden, despite his mother's warning, his adventures begin. All ages welcome. Also at 11 a.m., "Pizza and Pages" for grades 6-12 will be offered. Registration required for this. At 4 p.m., the First Tuesday LEGO Club will be held. LEGOs provided by the library. Ages 4 and up.

Nov. 9

At 11 a.m. at the Dexter District Library, the Dancer's Edge @ Studio "D" Presents: Music and Movement for ages 5 and under.

Dec. 9

Chelsea Community Hospital is having an open house for the new addition from noon to 5 pm. The event is open to the public. No RSVP necessary. Visit

www.cch.org for more information.

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State Police add 78 troopers with latest class graduation

Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue recently announced that Michigan citizens will soon benefit from the services of 78 additional Michigan State Police troopers following the graduation of the 123rd Trooper Recruit School.

Gov. Rick Snyder served as the keynote speaker at the ceremony that occurred in mid-October.

"This is a proud day for our new troopers, their families and all of Michigan," Snyder said.

"These graduates have been tested by rigorous physical and academic training, and have proved they have what it takes to wear the Michigan State Police badge. Our entire state appreciates their commitment to service and excellence. I have every confidence that they will uphold the highest traditions of the Michigan State Police. I wish them safe, successful careers as they join the ranks of Michigan's elite law enforcement agency."

The 123rd Trooper Recruit School began on June 10, when 92 prospective troopers reported to the Michigan State Police Training Academy.

For 19 weeks, recruits received training in firearms, water safety, defensive tactics, patrol techniques, report writing, ethics, first aid, criminal

law, crime scene processing and precision driving.

Graduating recruits were assigned to Michigan State Police work sites across the state and will report to their respective posts for duty this week.

"To accept the honor of becoming a trooper is to also embrace and recognize the department's proud traditions and high standards of service, through excellence, integrity, and courtesy," said Etue, director of the Michigan State Police, during her address to the recruits.

"You have a mission to serve and protect because policing is a duty of the highest honor — with the highest responsibilities, the highest visibility and some of the greatest challenges. The department demands and the public deserves nothing less than your best every day."

"With this graduation, not only do these recruits become troopers, they and their families are now members of our Michigan State Police family and part of a 95-year proud tradition."

Trooper Peter Melvin, who was elected Class Orator by his fellow recruits, spoke on behalf of the graduating class before receiving the Outstanding Performance Award.

Other award winners included Phillip



All 78 members in the graduating class of the 123rd Trooper Recruit School.

Higbee who received the Marksmanship Award, Randall Rovelsky who received the Academic Achievement Award, and Thomas Pinkerton who received the Team Building Award.

Of the 78 graduating recruits, 76 have continued their education with college studies, 15 have served in the United States military and 20 have prior law enforcement experience.

Funding made available as part of Snyder's public safety plan allows for the hiring of 180 troopers this year.

The 124th Trooper Recruit School is set to begin Sunday. These additional troopers will help support law enforcement efforts in the state's most violent cities — Flint, Detroit, Pontiac and Saginaw, as well as underserved areas throughout

the state.

Another trooper recruit school is anticipated in early 2013. Interested candidates may visit www.michigan.gov/mspjobs for more information on how to apply.

The department solicited more than 3,000 potential candidates for the 123rd Trooper Recruit School.

Sgt. Kandyce Herr was the Recruit School Commander. Special

emphasis was given to recruiting military veterans and certified police officers without employment.

In order to be selected to attend the academy, all applicants had to pass a selection process that included a physical fitness test, background investigation and hiring interview.

As of Sept. 1, there were 887 at-post troopers stationed at 29 posts across Michigan.

Salvation Army accepting requests for help through Thursday

The Salvation Army of Washtenaw County started hosting sign-ups for its 2012 Christmas assistance program Tuesday and will continue to accept requests through Thursday.

Washtenaw County residents in need of assistance this Christmas can apply to receive a gift card to a local grocery store to purchase fresh foods.

Families with children up to age 14 can also apply

for toys from the Salvation Army Corps community centers' toy shops to brighten their Christmas morning.

Those requesting assistance can apply at The Salvation Army of Washtenaw County's Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti corps community centers, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. each day at either of two locations.

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Arbana Drive in Ann Arbor, or Ypsilanti Corps Community Center, 9 S. Park St., in Ypsilanti.

Residents are required to provide current identification for all household adults, proof of residence and two items to show proof of dependents such as birth certificates or Social Security cards.

In 2011, with Ann Arbor's poverty rate near 24 percent, The Salvation

Army of Washtenaw County helped provide more than 12,200 meals and 17,300 nights of shelter to area residents.

"We want to help ease our neighbors' worries about having a good meal to eat and presents for their children this holiday season," said Salvation Army of Washtenaw County Coordinator Major John Williams in a news release.

"We hope our Christmas assistance program helps alleviate additional pressures that coincide with the holiday season, so that our neighbors in need can focus on spending the holidays together."

For more information about holiday assistance call 668-8353 or visit www.sawashtenaw.org.

Services provided by the Salvation Army of Washtenaw County

include a food pantry, soup kitchen, clothing, an emergency family shelter, transitional housing and counseling for veterans, character building for youth, camp programs, emergency and disaster relief, utility assistance and eviction prevention.

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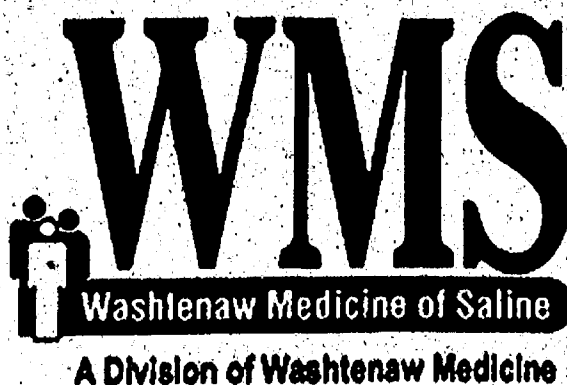
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Physiotherapy Associates relocates within Saline

Physiotherapy Associates, a provider of outpatient physical therapy services, has moved from its Gateway Plaza offices and has relocated to 1315 E. Michigan Ave. in Saline in the Commons at Sauk Trail.

The clinic will continue to offer the greater Washtenaw and Lenawee community a range of outpatient physical therapy services, including treatment for orthopedics and pre- and post-surgical conditions.

Leading the physical therapy services at the clinic is Dr. David Ghena.

Ghena earned his bachelor's degree in physical therapy from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, and a bachelor's degree in sports medicine from Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

He earned his master's degree in sports science at Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo., and his doctorate of health sciences at the University of St. Augustine in Florida.

The clinicians at Physiotherapy Associates offer an individualized treatment approach that focuses on patients' specific needs. They develop a customized treatment program designed to alleviate pain, restore range of motion and strength and improve to a higher level of function.

For more information, call 944-5600.

Milan merchants to host Trick-or-Treat Hour Friday

The 15th annual Milan Merchants' Downtown Trick-or-Treat Hour will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. Friday.

Participating merchants located in the downtown area will have

orange fliers posted in their business windows.

Each year the city closes off Tolan Street, so all Milan merchants located in other areas of town can station themselves at that location to pass out candy, if they wish to participate.

The Milan Police will be stationed at various places on Wabash, East and West Main streets to help with safe crossings for the children. Organizers ask that adults accompany their children.

The annual event has anonymous judges walking the streets to find the best dressed window, the funniest and scariest merchant's costume.

Judges will tally their ballots, and the winners will be honored at the Chamber After Hours from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 1 at the new Milan Heart Clinic, 870 Arkona Road.

For the third year, the Milan Baptist Church will host a Trunk or Treat in conjunction with the Downtown Merchants' Trick-or-Treat Hour, in the church and city parking lots south of the church. They plan to have approximately 30 trunks and lots of candy.

Following the Merchants' Trick-or-Treat Hour, MBC Children's Ministry will

host a Harvest Party from 6 to 8 p.m. in the church's Family Center for families with young children.

Milan Community Thanksgiving Service set Nov. 18

The Milan Community Thanksgiving Service will be hosted 6 p.m. Nov. 18 by Peoples Presbyterian Church, 210 Smith St., Milan.

The annual interfaith time of thankfulness is sponsored by the Milan Ministerial Association, and all are welcome.

Music will be provided by the Peoples Ringers three-octave hand bells and chime choir.

A free-will offering will be taken for Aid in Milan.

Additionally, donations of non-perishable food item such as canned meat or peanut butter, as well as personal care items such as laundry soap or shampoo, will be accepted.

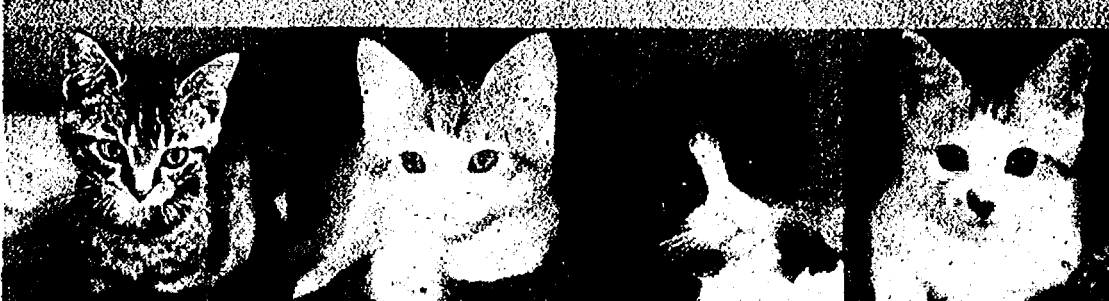
Pumpkin pie, coffee and tea will be served, and time for fellowship will be allowed following the service.

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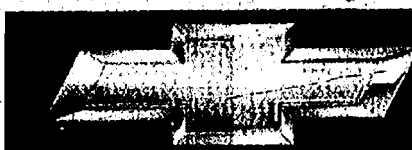
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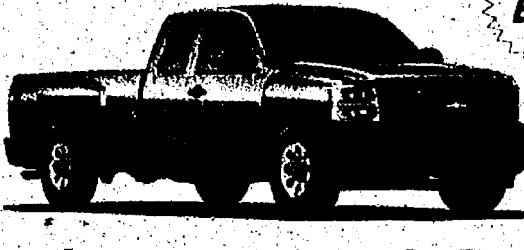
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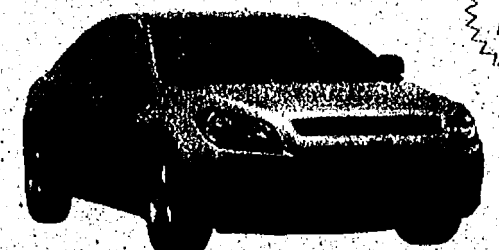
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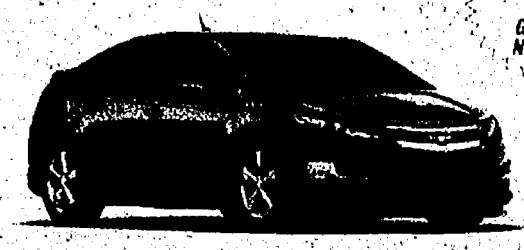
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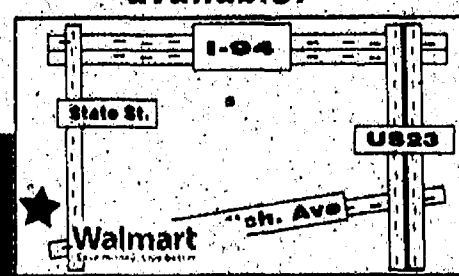
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Hundreds of veterans find care, services during East Bay Stand Down

By Katie Nelson
Journal Register News Service

American Homecomings

Riley Berry, 60, sat on his cot and looked out from his tent to the mountains that border the west side of Pleasanton, Calif.

"They bring back memories of Monkey Mountain," he said with a heavy sigh, thinking of Vietnam. Berry, who shipped out when he was 19 to serve with the Army in Vietnam, was one of 390 war veterans attending the fifth East Bay Stand Down in Pleasanton.

The biennial event, which was held in September, provides nearly every service imaginable for veterans, from legal assistance to teeth cleaning to haircuts.

Every available cot is filled, as usual, at this year's stand down. Those who come to the event are not necessarily homeless, but all are in great need of the services provided and must be considered eligible by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

It takes from \$600,000 to \$700,000 to put on the stand down — mostly from donations. And for those who attend, every second matters.

Berry, a Richmond resident, made the most of his Friday morning by getting in a hearty breakfast before heading for an eye exam, where he received a new pair of glasses.

After that, he picked up a new blanket for his cot.

The tent, his cot, the mountains. All remind him of a time he has worked so hard to cope with.

Berry admits that when he joined the Army and was sent to Vietnam, it was to escape his group of friends, who were heavy drug users and spent most

of their time wandering the streets.

In Vietnam, Berry saw things he still cannot put into words. The only indication of the horrors he witnessed are in the tears that well up in his eyes when he asks to not have to repeat the demons he wrestles with in dealing with post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I just can't (talk about it). It is a day-to-day process," he said. "I've been there, I've done that. I didn't know what the next day would bring. And I don't care what anybody says, we did not win that war."

An Air Force veteran who served in Operation Desert Storm, Harper was a tactical medic whose daily job was to keep wounded soldiers alive while in-flight to hospitals in Germany, England or even on a Navy ship not far offshore.

He said that while those who serve during any war may have some sort of anxiety, he had trained so hard and so long for moments where life or death hung in the balance that he has been lucky with his memories. Unlike some, he doesn't wake up sweating and screaming in the middle of the night.

"I had this switch that I could turn on and off," he said. "I could look at the person and rather than be in shock, I could look at them in the eye and say, 'I am going to do whatever I have to so that you stay alive.'"

Whether it's veterans who served decades ago, or current members of the military, the stand



Photo by Karl Mondon

Volunteer dental professionals extract a tooth from a veteran attending the East Bay Stand Down Sept. 14 in Pleasanton, Calif.

down seems to give those who served their country a way to not only help each other and share stories, but also a way to reinvigorate their love for their line of work.

"I saw folks here who needed much more help than I did. I felt like I was taking up a space," said Charles Boykins, a former stand down participant-turned-staff member. "I decided my first day that I wanted to help. And that is what is so great about all of this, that by day four, there is a transformation. Because all somebody needed was a little help."

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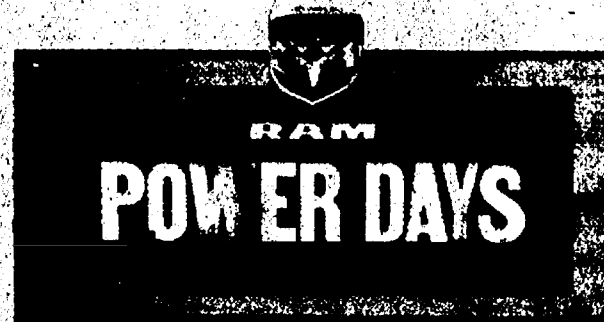
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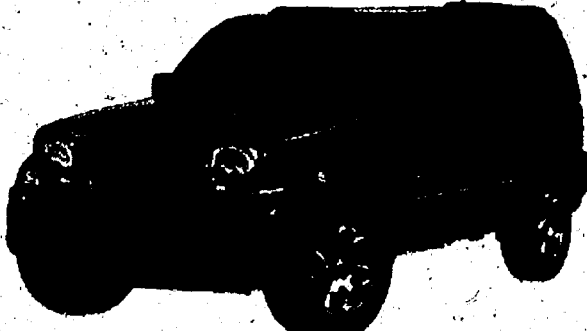
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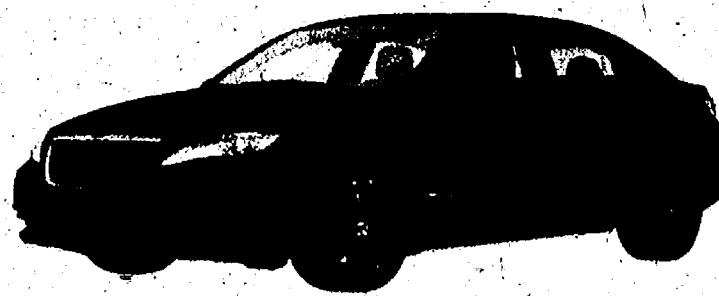
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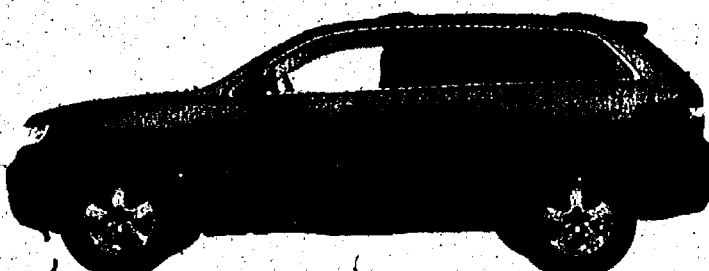
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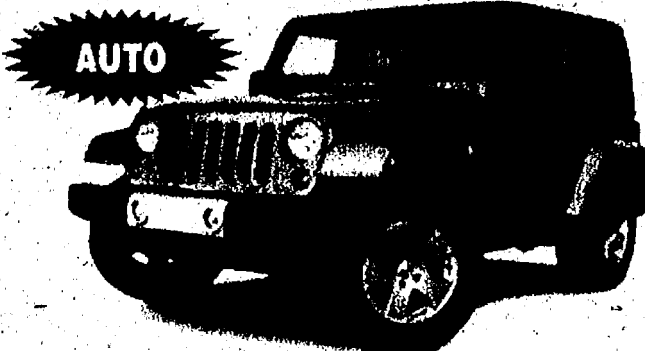
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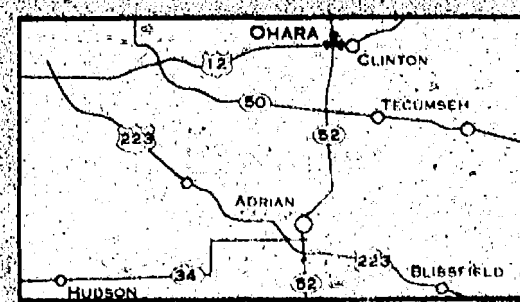
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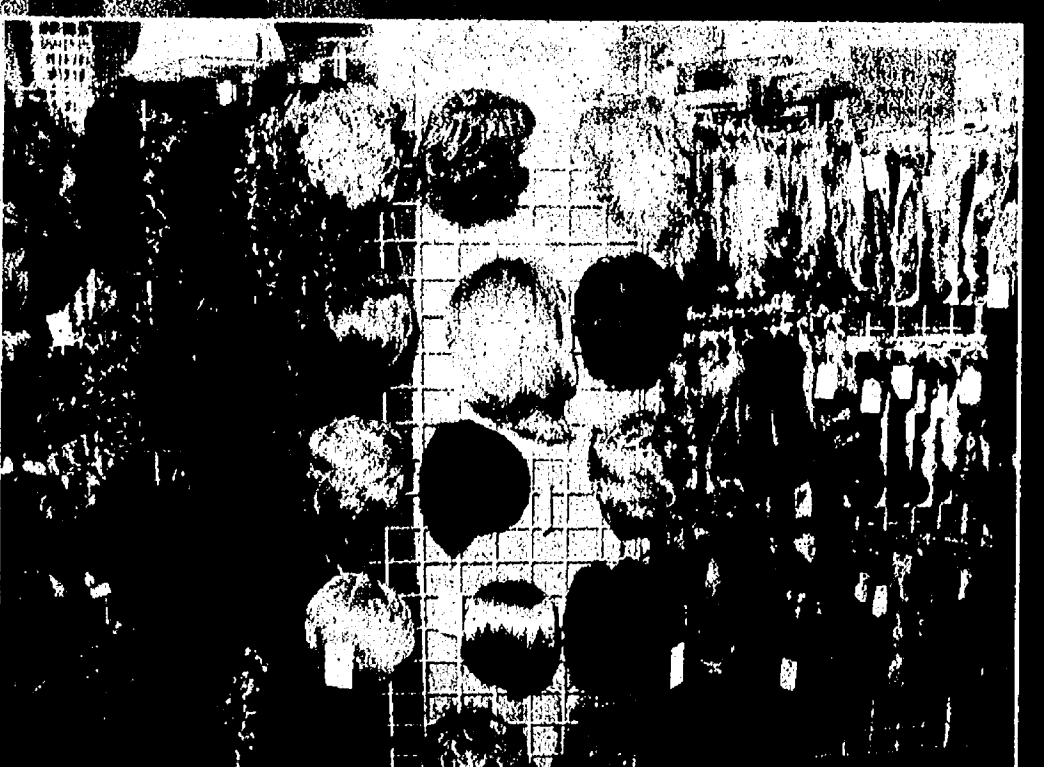
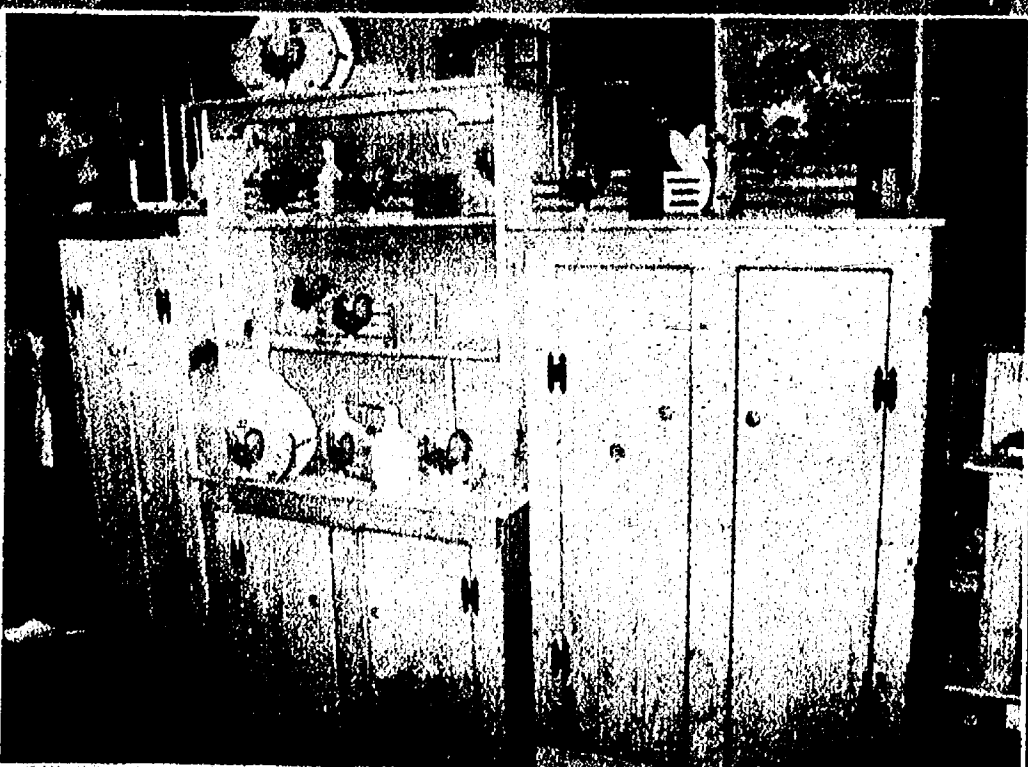
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American Heart Association's Heart Ball set for Oct. 26

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The event is one of the American Heart Association's largest fundraisers in Washtenaw County and is being co-chaired by Dr. Keith Aaronson and Dr. Francis Pagani of the University of Michigan Health System.

More than 200 people are expected to attend the harvest-themed Heart Ball, which is being held at the Michigan Union, located on the central campus of U of M at 530 S. State St. in Ann Arbor.

The Ann Arbor Heart Ball is a major fund-raising event benefiting research, public education and community programs for children's causes for the American Heart Association and its mission-related activities in Ann Arbor. The goal for this year's event is \$150,000.

In addition to congenital heart disease, unhealthy lifestyles are also threat-

ening the future of children. Excessive weight in children places additional burden on the health of the heart at an early age.

This year's Heart Ball will offer attendees the opportunity to support the American Heart Association's efforts around children's heart health. The association supports research around congenital heart disease in children and also has several initiatives that combat an childhood obesity.

The American Heart Association is second to only the federal government in research funding. Recently, the association awarded more than \$3 million to Michigan researchers, increasing the current research dollars in Michigan to more than \$9 million. More than \$6 million of these dollars are at work in Ann Arbor.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. with networking, followed by dinner and an awards program at 7:30 p.m.

As part of the awards ceremony, Dr. Katherine

Gallagher, an assistant professor of surgery and researcher at the University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center, will be presented with the Young Investigator Award for Excellence for her research in management of peripheral arterial disease and endovascular treatment of iliofemoral venous disease.

Dr. Benjamin McCallister Jr. from Michigan Heart at St. Joseph Mercy Health System will be presented with the Heart of Gold Award for Excellence for his demonstrated leadership focused on cardiovascular disease.

Dr. Edward Bovi will receive the Esprit De Coeur Award for Distinguished Achievement due to his success as one of the world's leading pediatric congenital heart surgeons. This year he will perform his 10,000th congenital heart operation.

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Purple Rose Theatre to host Chicago-themed fundraiser

The Purple Rose Theatre Company in Chelsea will host a Chicago-themed gala event, starting at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 2 at the Village Conference Center, 1645 Commerce Park Drive, in Chelsea.

The event, "A Night in the Windy City — Chicago Style Donut Soiree," will feature a cocktail hour, fall harvest dinner with vegetarian options, live music, a photo booth, live auction and a live theater performance.

After dinner and the live auction, emceed by Lucas Daniels, guests can ride a trolley car, provided by Tecumseh Trolley & Limousine Service, to the Purple Rose Theatre for

an 8:30 p.m. performance of "Superior Donuts" by Tracy Letts.

Following the performance, guests will be treated to a retro candy and donut dessert bar at the theater before riding the trolley back to the Village Conference Center.

Tickets for "A Night in the Windy City" are \$200 per guest. Tables of 10 may be purchased for \$2,000.

A portion of the ticket prices will be tax deductible.

All proceeds from this event will benefit the Purple Rose Theatre Company.

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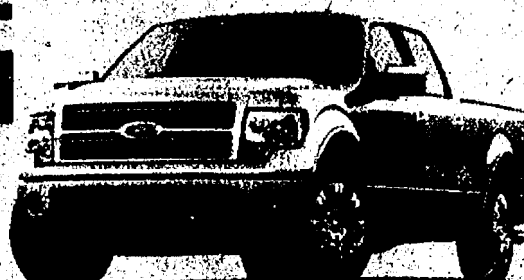


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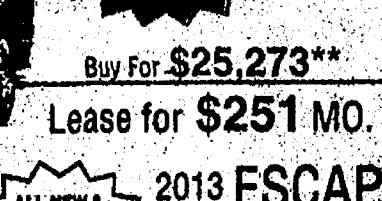
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Businesses should consider National Cyber Security Awareness Month

This October is the ninth annual National Cyber Security Awareness Month. The Department of Homeland Security, National Cyber Security Alliance and the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center work in partnership with public and private sector partners during October to send the message of Internet safety and responsibility to residents and businesses across the country.

Each week of October we have had a theme with messaging and events to coincide. Everyone can do something to help share in the activities. Last week we learned about the STOP.THINK.CONNECT.™ Campaign and Law Enforcement and Cybersecurity.

The theme for Week 3 was Online Safety for Business/Industry and Week Four is K-Life and Digital Literacy.

Our businesses are under attack. It's clear by the headlines every day how many companies are suffering online attacks on their networks and theft of their intellectual property. Fortunately, many large corporations are engaged

in the solutions, too. I have the privilege of working with some of the National Cyber Security Alliance board members companies. Just think how many people will be reached with the Keep a Clean Machine

message when AT&T includes educational materials, in English and Spanish, in customer billing information this October.

Microsoft created award-winning videos aimed at teaching kids online safety, and those videos were promoted on AT&T

and Verizon websites. McAfee has reached more than 25,000 schoolage kids with their Online Safety for Kids program.

These are just a few examples of the cooperation between business and communities to help ensure everyone is learning about safe online behavior.

It's encouraging to me when I see the cooperation between the public and private sector. Protecting our country's cyber infrastructure truly is our shared responsibility.

Staysafeonline.org has tips for businesses to take action. There are tips for things that can be done in one hour, one day, one week or longer. Here are some examples:

What Businesses Can Do in less than One Hour: Send an email to all business personnel announcing that October 2012 National Cyber Security Awareness Month with a link to the STOP.THINK.CONNECT.™ tip sheet. (Download at <http://staysafeonline.org/stop-think-connect-tips-and-advice>.)

Ask all employees to sign the Center for Internet Security Cyber Pledge to learn about online safety — both at home and at work — and pledge your commitment to using these best practice tips. Cyber Pledge available at www.cisecurity.org.

What Businesses Can Do in less than One Day: Use the Federal Communications Commission's cyber planner to help you chart a path to a more cyber secure business. Find the tool at <http://www.fcc.gov/cyberplanner>.

Since Week 4 is all about education, I wanted to share something K-12 teachers can do this month. All the materials are created and ready to go. As a former sixth-grade teacher, I know how hard our educators work and want them to know they are not alone in combating this issue.

The C-SAVE curriculum was created after a study done by NCSA found that educators felt ill equipped to deal with cyber security issues in the classroom. I worked in education when HIV

education was becoming a standard in public schools across America. It's my hope that cyber security education, which is also a matter of public health, will soon

become a standard.

The C-SAVE curriculum is created for specific age groups from K-12 and includes lesson plans, activities and review questions to make sure

kids understand the concepts being taught. To see the C-SAVE resources visit: staysafeonline.org and search C-SAVE.

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DROUARE, ELIZABETH

ELIZABETH, formerly Grass Lake, Michigan; age 95; went to the Lord on Sunday, October 21, 2012. Elizabeth Ann Leszczynski was born on September 19, 1917 in Detroit. She married Harold Austin Drouare on June 21, 1935. They lived in Dearborn until 1968 when they retired and moved to the country. He preceded her in death in 1970. Elizabeth lived a long, rewarding life surrounded by her family and friends. She loved her country life, enjoying her family, garden, and livestock. Well known for her strong will and resourcefulness, she was always the supportive mother and grandmother for her family. May her caring nature be a positive example for all that knew her. She belonged to the Jolly 17's birthday club, enjoyed communicating with her pen pals and traveling to attend reunions and visit with her birthday friends. Elizabeth's hobbies included Polish cooking, quilting, needlework, ceramics, and watercolor painting. She was the original Social Organizer of Grass Lake, and Rita (Edgar) Crawley of Dundee; 10 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; and 4 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, son Ruhel, daughter Reann Luckhardt, grandson Douglas, sister, and five brothers. The family would like to thank Brecon Village Memory Support Center and St. Joseph Hospice for their wonderful care of our mother. Mass will be on Thursday, October 25, 2012 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea with Rev. Dr. William J. Turner officiating. Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery, Manchester. Visitation will be held at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea on Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:30 p.m. with Deacon Richard Shaneyfelt officiating. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea.



LOCHEY, MARGURITE

H. Saline, MI; age 91, passed away on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at the Saline Evangelical Home. She was born May 10, 1921 in Crandell, SD, the daughter of Harry and Margaret (Ulbrick) Bultman. On March 21, 1942 she married John R. Lochey, and he preceded her in death on March 29, 1985. Margurite was a volunteer at the Saline Community Hospital for 40 years. Survivors include her son, Larry R. (Maureen) Lochey; grandchildren, Lori (Michael) Elenio, Edward A. Lochey and John R. (Dana) Lochey; five great grandchildren; and her constant full time companion of 20 years, Norman Schwallie. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; and her brothers, Harry and Robert Bultman. At her request, cremation has taken place. No visitation or funeral services will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice 2366 Oak Valley Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103. To leave a memory, for more information or for directions please visit www.rbhsalaine.com.



RENTSCHLER, ROBERT GLENN

Grass Lake, MI; age 74; died Saturday, October 20, 2012; at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. He was born February 19, 1938, in Chelsea, Michigan, the son of Glenn Paul and Thelma Maurine (Loveland) Rentschler. He was a lifelong resident of Waterloo Village, Michigan. Bob was a member of Salem Grove United Methodist Church, and also attended Waterloo Methodist Church. He was a life member of the Tri-State Engine and Tractor Association. He is survived by his cousins, Leah Herrick, Bryan (Kelly) Herrick, Jeryl Herrick, and Kristen and Kara Herrick. Bob was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral Services will be held Friday, October 26, 2012, 11 a.m. at Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea, with Rev. Georgie Dack officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Waterloo. The family will receive friends Thursday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Make A Wish Foundation or St. Jude Children's Hospital.



THAMS, NANCY JANE

age 70; of Flushing, formerly of Chelsea; died Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at Medilodge of Sterling Heights. A Memorial Service will be held 4 p.m. Friday, October 19, 2012 at Sharp Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 6063 Fenton Rd., Flint. The family will receive friends from 12 Noon until the time of service Friday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Nancy was born July 18, 1942 in Detroit, the daughter of Herbert E. and Margaret M. (Phalen) Newton. Surviving are: son, Craig Thams and wife, Lorrie of Metamora; daughter, Stacy and husband, Andre Torongeau of Brownstown, MI; five grandchildren, Shane, Lindsay and Evan Thams, Devon and Brandon Torongeau; two sisters, Valerie (Bob) Hyde of Clio, Judi Newton of Warren; many nieces and nephews. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www.sharppfuneralhomes.com.



TUTOR, CAROL ANN

(nee WARDEN); of Jonesborough, TN; October 1, 2012; age 64. Passed away in Johnson City, TN while with her family after a short illness. She is survived by her brother, Philip (Carol) Warden of Milford; niece, Laura (Steve) Falcone of Brighton; and nephews, Paul (Lin) Warden of St. Joseph and Philip (Deborah) Warden, Jr. of Holly; also survived by grandnieces, Natalie (Matthew) Stevens and Emily Warden; grandnephews, Kevin (Noia) Lopez, Garrett Warden, Daniel Warden and Jack Warden and three great grandnephews. Carol was a 1966 graduate of Waterford Twp. High School. She worked in sales for many years and was also an entrepreneur. A Memorial Service was held in Tennessee. Condolences may be sent to the family at philipwarden@yahoo.com.

HUGHES, GERRY; 74; died Thursday, October 11, 2012. There will be a Ceremony Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 3 p.m. at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Harrison, Michigan. Dinner for family and friends 4 to 6 p.m. at American Legion on West M-61.

MORRISON, ROY KENNETH; age 79 of Erie, passed away Friday, October 19, 2012. Roy was a foreman at Great Lakes Steel. Merkle Funeral Service, Erie, (734) 848-5185. www.merklefs.com

Let's put our faith in Proposal 3 Nov. 6

How in the world are people supposed to make up their minds about Proposal 3, which would require the state to get 25 percent of its electricity from renewable sources by 2025?

Opponents say it is too expensive, if not impossible.

Supporters say Michigan is behind other states in switching from coal to alternative sources.

By the way, don't believe the advertising — or at least be discerning when listening to it.

Also, to reject the proposal just because it entails a state constitutional amendment just further empowers wealthy lobbyists like those working for the utility companies to defeat this idea.

This is a decision our Legislature should be making, but because it is hopelessly divided — and in many cases too indebted to special interests — tackling complicated issues like this one is out of the question.

And it is an important issue.

Are we serious about energy independence or not? Are we serious about cleaning up our environment or not?

If the answer to those questions is yes, there will be some costs.

But the proposal limits utility cost increases attributable to achieving the goal to 1 percent annually.

Twenty-five percent of electricity from renewable sources by 2025 is probably realistic. Lawmakers in 2008 decided on a goal of 10 percent by 2015 and utilities say they will have no trouble meeting that goal.

Many other states have adopted the identical 25-by-2025 goal, among them: Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, Iowa and national coal capital West Virginia.

Examples of other states' goals: New York, 29 percent by 2015; Pennsylvania, 18 percent by 2021; California,

33 percent by 2020; and New Jersey, 22.5 percent by 2021.

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Michigan Energy Jobs (miejobs.com), author of Proposal 3, appears to be a coalition of business and environmental groups. The organization is relying heavily on economic arguments.

Proposal 3 will create at least 74,000 Michigan jobs that can't be outsourced, according to a study by Michigan State University economists and academics. These are operations, maintenance and construction jobs. Manufacturing will add more jobs on top of this number as the state captures greater market share.

Michigan's manufacturing sector is underutilized, with clean energy companies up and running but with plenty of room to grow, according to Michigan Energy Jobs. Michigan has been ranked second in the nation for manufacturing potential coupled with renewable energy resources. The organization also asserts:

■ The ballot language encourages the hiring of Michigan workers and the use Michigan-made equipment.

■ With Michigan's manufacturing talent and know-how, Michigan should capture 50 percent of the manufacturing market, increasing the number of jobs to 94,000.

■ Coal makes up 58 percent of Michigan's energy mix, despite the fact the state has no coal reserves.

■ Michigan consumers spend more than \$1.7 billion a year importing coal from other states.

■ Proposal 3 will help expand Michigan's clean energy production without significantly increasing energy prices. Studies by independent economists predict that it would cost "the average Michigan

household no more than \$1.25 a month," and in the long run could reduce our energy bills.

The environmental benefits of renewable energy are substantial due to the harmful effects of coal.

A Michigan Environmental Council report found that the state's nine-oldest coal plants cost a family of four an average of over \$500 per year in expenses and damages associated with increased hospital admissions, premature deaths and treatments for asthma, respiratory ailments and cardiovascular problems, among others.

The report said replacing the coal plants with cleaner options could prevent some or all of the illness and death they cause in Michigan: 180 premature deaths, 233 hospital admissions or emergency room visits, 68,000 asthma exacerbations and 72,000 instances in which children were restricted from school or some other activity.

What about these "clean coal" commercials we are seeing?

"We believe the term 'clean coal' is an oxymoron," said Hugh McDermid Jr., an MEC spokesman.

"If 'clean coal' means using the most modern pollution control technology, then it's just a little less dirty coal than its predecessors. If it means coal plants with carbon sequestration, then it doesn't really exist outside of some small demonstration projects and remains to be seen whether it's commercially viable, either technologically or cost-wise or both," McDermid said.

Any proposal or candidate in the political realm entails a bit of faith. Proposal 3 seems to make sense.

If 25 percent by 2025 turns out not to be realistic, we will have 13 years to change the goal.

What's the alternative?

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Super-sized LG Intuition targets 'phablet' market, but its window of opportunity for success is short

By MATT MYFTIU
Journal Register News Service

What exactly is the LG Intuition? That's the whole point ... there is no exact definition. It works as a smartphone, but at 5 inches it's also large enough to be considered a sort of mini-tablet. "Phablet" is one word that's been thrown around, and they throw a pen in that can be used to maneuver around the screen, to further the tablet identity.

There are a limited number of options in this category. First the Samsung Galaxy Note came out to basically establish this new category of wireless device (and the Galaxy Note's sequel is about to arrive ... more on that later), but there is another entry in this category now to give Samsung some competition - the LG Intuition, available from Verizon Wireless, which I recently had the chance to test.

I'll let you know how it performed, and how it fits into the overall market for smartphones and tablets.

Size

When you look at it from the angle that the Intuition is a phone, it's safe to say it's a freakin' huge. When you look at it as a tablet, it's tiny. It's all in the mind of the beholder, I guess.

The basic fact is that if you're using this as a phone primarily, the 5-inch screen is very large, too large for many people. It doesn't fit well in pockets, thought it would be fine to keep in a purse or bag.

This size is great for media viewing, but it's kind of hard and awkward to hold. I'd recommend getting your hands on it in person before deciding whether it's something you want to pick up. Some will like other, but a lot of people will find it cumbersome.

The official size specs are

5.50" (H) x 3.56" (W) x 0.33" (D)

Phone calls

Quality of the phone calls I made from the LG Intuition was excellent on Verizon network, but I would recommend using a Bluetooth headset to make calls on this phone. You just look silly holding something this big to your ear, kind of like a flashback to Zach Morris' phone from "Saved By the Bell."

Touchscreen

The materials used on the phone are high quality, with Corning Gorilla Glass on the screen so it's scratch-resistant.

You get an HD display, at 1024x768 pixels, which is nice if you plan to use Netflix or other media viewing apps, or for game play.

QuickMemo

One of the features that make this seem more like a tablet is the QuickMemo feature.

You can use either your fingers or the included pen to write down notes to yourself, and easily share them with others too. There is even a quick-key atop the device for the QuickMemo feature.

Cameras

I had some good results from the 8-megapixel rear camera, but also some inconsistent ones. Compared to some other phones of similar specs, it was a little disappointing.

You get a 1.3 megapixel camera in front that can be used for video chat, or self-portraits. There are also some other features, such as:

- Say Cheese Shot - use your voice to take a picture
- Beauty Shot - smoothes and brightens skin tone
- Face Tracking - automatically finds & focuses on

current. Having the latest security software, web browser and operating system are the best defenses against viruses, malware, and other online threats.

■ Automate software updates: Many software programs will automatically connect and update to defend against known



faces

■ Customizable Shot Mode, Brightness, Scene Mode, ISO, White Balance, Color Effect, Timer & Shutter Sound

■ Advanced Image Editor - rename, crop, rotate, add effects, adjust contrast, and much more

Video

As far as video goes, you get 1080p full HD video, which again was very impressive at times, but overall a little impressive than I've seen on some other phones - not quite as crisp.

Operating system

The LG Intuition ships with Android 4.0 (Ice Cream Sandwich), and it's possible that an upgrade is coming to Android 4.1 (aka Jelly Bean) soon, but even if it doesn't you still have a solid operating system that is easy to use and very effective at letting you get things done without complication.

Android is of course a Google product, so you get all sorts of Google features installed, including Gmail, Google+, Google Maps (the ones that actually work), the Google Play marketplace with hundreds of thousands of apps, YouTube and more.

Memory/Processor

You get plenty of space for storage on the LG Intuition, 32GB to be exact, which is

plenty for just about every one. There is no option to expand the memory.

The Intuition is super-fast, mainly due to its 1.5 GHz Dual-Core Processor, and 1GB of RAM. I was able to multitask without the slightest delay.

4G

You're also operating on Verizon's very fast 4G LTE network, so your upload and download speeds are among the industry's best.

Go to work

One good thing about the size of this phone is that it increases your ability to get work done more easily. Using your fingers or the pen, you can work on Excel, PowerPoint and Word documents on the go - a bonus for people working on the road.

Files are easily organized, too, and there are several security features aimed at those folks using this phone as a work machine - such as LG's built-in Virtual Private Network, Data At Rest Encryption, and the ability to remotely wipe information from the phone if it is lost.

Other features

The Intuition is Bluetooth and Wi-Fi capable, can serve as a 4G mobile hotspot for up to 10 other devices (for an extra monthly fee). The Intuition features

■ Plug & scan: "USBs" and other external devices can be infected by viruses and malware. Use your security software to scan them.

■ Visit CIS at www.cisecurity.org and check out many free resources, including daily tips and monthly newsletters, post-

On the Web

For more information on the LG Intuition visit www.verizonwireless.com

USB tethering, so you can share your phone's data connection via USB.

It can also share media wirelessly to DLNA-enabled devices.

Several languages are offered on the phone - English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, French, German, or Italian.

Preloaded apps

Some people call this bloatware, others don't mind it. You'll get a bunch of preloaded Verizon apps on the Intuition. My Verizon Mobile, NFL Mobile, V CAST Tones, Viewdini, Color, Visual Voicemail, and VZ Navigator.

Also preloaded are: Amazon Apps Suite, including Kindle, Shop, Music, IMDb, Audible, and Zappos. Polaris Office is also preloaded, along with a couple games.

Battery

One concern I have with the Intuition is the 2080 mAh Li-Polymer battery went away too fast for my tastes. Also, it's non-removable, unlike some other Android phones, which means you can't replace it to improve performance.

Pen

I mentioned above that the phone comes with a pen, which for some reason they call a Rubberdium Pen. It works fine, moving you around apps and screens with ease, but I have one major beef with it: There is no slot for it on the phone itself.

So because of that, I never carried the pen around with me, as I didn't want to lose it and had nowhere to put it.

This is a major fail in my book, as the Samsung Galaxy Note - the only other phone in this "phablet" category - contains a slot in the phone for the pen. I don't see the point of having a pen if you have nowhere to put it.

Compared directly with the Galaxy Note, the Intuition falls short in my book - partly due to the pen issue, and partly due to the overall operation of the LG user interface vs. Samsung's UI.

Price

The LG Intuition will cost you \$199.99 out of pocket, with a new 2-year contract, which is in line with the standard price for most new smartphones. If you want to buy it straight up without a contract, it will cost you \$599.99.

Bottom line

The LG Intuition is definitely different from other phones on the market, as it's part of the new class of "is it a phone or is it a tablet?" class of devices.

Some folks will be very turned off by the large size of these devices, and others will embrace them as answering their needs for both a phone and tablet. I don't think the sales numbers will be huge, but there's limited competition in this category so it's bound to make some sort of a dent in the overall smartphone market.

But with the new and improved version of the Samsung Galaxy Note coming very soon for all major carriers, the Intuition better hope it makes an impression quick, or it could be quickly passed up.

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Selling bonds to fund benefit obligations is a bad idea

By Barry Eyre
Guest Columnist

The Michigan Legislature has just passed a bill, No. 1129, which allows municipalities to sell bonds to fund their post-employment benefit obligations.

The idea is that in this low interest rate environment, municipalities can put aside enough to cover the future obligations for retiree healthcare and reduce the strain on municipal budgets.

The law, which does not require voters to approve the issuance of these bonds, requires that, prior to issuance, the municipality makes available to the public a comprehensive financial plan that includes:

Sec. 518 (1) (b) Evidence that the issuance of the municipal security together with other funds lawfully available will be sufficient to eliminate the unfunded pension liability or the unfunded accrued health care liability.

For reasons I detail below, I believe it is not possible to provide adequate evidence that the health liability has been eliminated.

This well-intentioned law is of dubious value and presents a potential future disaster for the taxpayers of the State of Michigan.

The underlying premise that selling enough bonds to cover the unfunded liability will solve the retiree healthcare problem is misguided at best.

The Other Post Employment Benefit liability number is based on numerous assumptions that are highly likely to turn out to be inaccurate over the future benefit period.

Big assumption No. 1: interest rates.

An underlying premise of prefunding the OPEB liability is that the municipality can capitalize on the spread between the investment rate of return assumptions and its funding cost.

If a municipality puts funds into an OPEB trust, they are allowed to assume a relatively high rate of return on assets, which helps to bring the OPEB number down significantly.

Because the municipality issues tax fee bonds with a low interest rate, the municipality effectively arbitrages its funding rate and the rate of return assumption.

However, this spread is likely to be a mirage. What has happened to pension fund assets over the last few years?

The market collapse in 2008 had a devastating effect on the funds that were put aside. There can be no assurance that the funds generated by selling the bonds will drive returns greater than the cost of paying the interest on the bonds.

The healthcare liability does not go away when bonds are sold, but if the fund loses money, the municipality has to pay the health care cost and repay the bonds.

Big assumption No. 2: medical cost trends.

The actuary who calculates the OPEB liability number needs to estimate how much the cost of providing health care in the future will rise or fall.

To do this they typically start with a growth rate, say 8 or 9 percent, and then reduce it by half a percent each year until it reaches a terminal

growth rate of 5 percent some number of years later.

As a simplifying assumption for ease of calculation, this method seems reasonable on the surface.

But what are municipalities actually paying for healthcare in the marketplace? What, if anything, are they doing to achieve this yearly reduction in the cost trend of providing retiree health care?

Unless the municipality is taking specific actions to lower the cost trend, the OPEB number will be significantly underestimated.

Furthermore, the actuarial analysis assumes that the OPEB costs are compounding annually at lower and lower rates which further underreports the number.

If the medical cost trend turns out to be higher than the trend assumed by the actuary, then the OPEB liability was understated when the bonds were sold. The liability was not limited by selling the bonds.

This observation about the retiree healthcare cost trend brings to light a critical difference and greater risk in prefunding OPEB liabilities as compared to prefunding pension liabilities.

When a municipality prefunds pension benefits, they run the risk that the returns generated will achieve a known (assumed) rate of return. But at least they can project what those benefits will cost and they can determine the rate of return needed to generate enough to cover the pension costs.

The same is not true for the healthcare. The municipality has promised to provide healthcare in the future.

Unlike pension benefits, which are paid out in dollars, you cannot put aside health care today to provide healthcare in the future.

The municipality is projecting the cost of providing a service in the future. There is a real risk that the service, healthcare, will cost more than the amount projected.

So the municipality may not get enough of a return from the money put aside, and even if they get the required rate of return, the healthcare may cost more in future than was projected. The risks are compounded.

Again, in this instance, the liability has not been eliminated as required by the law.

Who is going to benefit from this law? Municipal bond underwriters will make out like bandits if the market takes off. Hopefully the taxpayers will realize that this short-term tactic is not a solution to the problem.

As an additional note of caution, the government finance officers' association has been on record for some time recommending caution with regard to this strategy. Learn more about their concerns at <http://www.gfoa.org/downloads/corbaopeb-bonds.pdf>.

I do not believe it is possible for any municipality to satisfy the requirement that it provide: "Evidence that the issuance of the municipal security together with other funds lawfully available will be sufficient to eliminate the unfunded pension liability or the unfunded accrued health care liability."

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Dexter Drama Club presents 'Haunting' play

Laughs and screams are in store during the Dexter Drama Club's fall production "A Haunting We Will Go."

The a comedy/mystery production will be performed Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. A matinee performance is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday.

The plot is about atel-evision producer named Norma Corwin who made a childhood vow that once in her life she would spend a night alone in The Inn of the Three Sisters, a eerie and forbidding hotel famous for an unresolved murder, horrifying spirit manifestations, and murderous intrigue. When she learns the inn is to be dynamited to make way for a new highway, she decides the time is now (or never) and the fun begins.

A strange assortment of uninvited "guests" arrive to add more mystery: ESP

expert Madame Lugosi: a young serviceman who says he's lost his way; a doomed young woman who comes to warn Norma that she's in great danger; and the spirits of the three young sisters who, with the villainous handyman Flint, are cursed to relive the ghastly murder each night.

Come see what the night holds! Show dates are purposely scheduled the weekend before Halloween for the added haunted atmosphere!

The show will be held at Dexter High School in the Center for Performing Arts, 2200 N. Parker Road, Dexter. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students/seniors.

Drama club members (left to right): Kaitlin McMillan, Barrett Bryson, Havah Roussel, Sarah Fuller, and Maddie Easterday.



Purple Rose Theatre to host Chicago-themed gala

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Media

The Purple Rose Theatre Company in Chelsea will host a Chicago-themed gala event, starting at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 2 at the Village Conference Center, 1645 Commerce Park Drive, in Chelsea.

"The event, 'A Night in the Windy City - Chicago Style Donut Soiree,' will feature a cocktail hour, fall harvest dinner with vegetarian options, live music, a photo booth, live auction and a live theater performance.

After dinner and the live auction, emceed by Lucas Daniels, guests can ride a trolley car, provided by Tecumseh Trolley & Limousine Service, to the Purple Rose Theatre for an 8:30 p.m. performance of "Superior Donuts" by Tracy Letts.

Following the performance, guests will be treated

to a retro candy and donut dessert bar at the theater before riding the trolley back to the Village Conference Center.

Tickets for "A Night in the Windy City" are \$200 per guest. Tables of 10 may be purchased for \$2,000.

A portion of the ticket prices will be tax deductible. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Purple Rose Theatre Company.

To purchase tickets, call the Purple Rose Box Office at 493-7673 or contact

the PRTC Development Department at 433-7782 ext. 15 or by email at Reac hUs@purplerosetheatre.org.

Featured live auction items will include Four VIP Sideline Passes and Club Level seats for the

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Taste of Chelsea event sells out

As predicted, this year's second annual "Taste of Chelsea" event at St. Mary Parish on Oct. 6 surpassed the efforts of 2011, and was completely sold out twenty-four hours beforehand.

The event was organized to support the St. Louis Center and its residents with developmental disabilities by showcasing the great culinary skills of many of Chelsea's finest restaurants, cafés and caterers. It also raised a significant amount of money for St. Louis Center in the process.

Sponsored by Village Motor Sales, the following businesses participated: Artic Breakaway, Back to the Roots, Bearclaw Coffee Chelsea, Bigby Coffee Chelsea, Chelsea Big Boy, Common Grill, Cottage Inn Pizza, Ellie's Chelsea, Fr. Turner's Rice Pudding, Glee Cake & Pastry, Jet's Pizza, Jiffy Mix, Laura's Catering, Main Street Coney Island, Mike's Deli, Mill Pond Bread, New Chelsea Market, Smokehouse 52 BBQ, Stivers Restaurant, Thompson's Pizzeria, Wolverine Food and Spirits, and Zou Zou's Café.

Father Enzo Addari said he was very thankful for the community's support.

"We are grateful to all of these great Chelsea businesses for their support, and for the many people who came to enjoy the evening to help support us," he said.



Common Grill Chef Karl York and server Kathy O'Connell, show off their offerings of Lake Superior Whitefish.

Dexter High School 'Bringing Broadway to you'

The Dexter community will get a taste of Broadway right when veteran Broadway performers Jessica Grové and James Moye present popular songs from the stage assisted by Dexter High School's Jazz and Women's Choirs.

"Bringing Broadway to You" will take place at Dexter High School's Center for the Performing Arts on Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m.

The event is the brainchild of local talents Dan Cooney, Broadway artist and producing artistic director of The Encore Musical Theatre Company in Dexter, and Chuck Colby, member of the vocal group Three Men and a Tenor. The concept involves bringing top-notch performers into Michigan communities where they can work with and inspire young singers, as well as put on a great show.

"This event absolutely benefits everyone involved," Colby said. "The Broadway performers

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JULIE BASSETT

Dexter High School choral director

enjoy taking a break from the city to interact with young people, the kids are thrilled to meet and work directly with professionals, and the community gets a fantastic show featuring Broadway stars at an affordable price."

The event is a first for Dexter High School's choral program and will serve as an important fundraiser in support of the district's choirs in grades 5 to 12.

The guest Broadway performers, Grové and

Moye, will perform songs from their own repertoires as well as combine with the high school choirs for select numbers.

The Dexter High School choirs will participate in "Bringing Broadway to You" through a workshop led by Grové and Moye on Nov. 1, in advance of the evening's performance. Students will spend several hours with the two Broadway veterans—learning about their experiences, asking questions, rehears-

ing, and then performing with them on stage.

"The most rewarding part of my career on stage has been working with and inspiring young people to sing," Colby said. "The workshop and the evening's performance at Dexter High School will be very much an extension of what I have been doing with my own group, Three Men and a Tenor, for the last 20 years."

According to Dexter teacher and choral director

Julie Bassett, the jazz and women's choir members are looking forward to meeting the stars and getting a taste of what it is like to be a professional Broadway performer.

"The kids could not be more excited for this opportunity," Bassett said. "We have a large group of more than 70 talented and enthusiastic young singers at Dexter High School. Their dedication, vocal ability, and overall great attitude make my job all the more

rewarding, and I believe that they will represent our community well."

The Dexter Choir Booster group is working hard to ensure the success of the event, and local businesses are helping by offering to serve as venues for advance ticket sales. Interested patrons can purchase tickets for \$20 each at Busch's Fresh Food Market, Country Market, Dexter Pub, and Dexter Jazzercise until October 31. Tickets will be sold at the door if available.

"The only thing left to make this event a great success is a strong turnout for the evening's performance from family, friends, faculty and the entire community on Nov. 1," said Tony Magnus, Dexter parent and choir booster. "We would love to see the performance sell out and show the visiting Broadway artists what an amazingly supportive and arts-friendly community we have in Dexter."

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Former DDA member discusses Longworth property

During the public comment segment at the September DDA meeting Tom Girard, city resident and engineer at the University of Michigan, spoke up about lack of basic care and attention to the Longworth complex that the DDA owns. The property was bought so as to improve the appearance of the north access to Chelsea.

Sad to say but action, or lack thereof, speaks louder than words in this case, since the purchase of this property by the DDA has left it in pretty much the condition at the time of purchase about four years ago. Bear with me as I share some of the history around this topic.

I was a DDA member for 12 years. Last year I was replaced at the choice of the mayor. However, I was present during the process from the beginning regarding this property.

Mark Heydlauf, a board member since the Chelsea DDA's inception, brought before the board the need to purchase the Longworth property. The basic reasons being: it creates a very poor image of Chelsea to those

GUEST COLUMN: By Jim Myles

heading south on M-52 via auto, and the flash view of Chelsea to those traveling on the train. It was identified as a "significant" gateway structure and property that the DDA should purchase and improve.

No question, the property had been deteriorating for years and needed attention. Years prior to this no one was at all interested in purchasing it and the property was only getting worse in its appearance and upkeep. After a series of presentations, evaluations and visioning to the DDA, a decision was made to purchase it. The costs to purchase exceeded \$400,000 that included: purchase, engineering studies, soil testing, purchase options, etc. The vote to buy the property was unanimous. It was purchased at a price that exceeded the appraised value.

I'm formerly a restoration contractor and builder. Rule number one when a property is purchased is: take necessary steps to ensure

the entire exterior envelope be dry and secured. Exterior envelope includes: windows, doors, grade for drainage, exterior walls and roof.

Studies and evaluations of the property clearly showed that the buildings needed to be protected from the elements. Water was coming in from the roof and parts of the foundation. Windows were broken and access to the inside was possible. The DDA addressed the security issues but nothing else.

Then, a visioning session was set up with the public to show what options were being considered for the property in hopes that improvement to the property could start within a year.

Of the options presented, Option B was selected. Option B showed the adaptive reuse of only one of the three historic structures. Two buildings were to be demolished for parking and a small green space. Consideration for saving all three of the historically significant buildings to be adapt-

tively reused was not offered or considered by the DDA.

The fact that one of the historic structures would be adaptively reused was a revelation in itself. In the twelve years I was on the Board, not once had the DDA purchased any historic property, improved and adaptively reused it. I jumped on this opportunity in hopes this might occur. The Board recognized "Option B" as the option of choice at the visioning session and voted to go forward with this choice.

Then the game changed. Mark Creswell, a citizen and local businessman, stepped up to possibly purchase the property. Ut oh! No one thought there would be interest in this property. Now the DDA was presented with a dilemma: does the DDA want to get the Longworth property off their books and allow an entrepreneur to start a business in this space that might produce revenue or does the DDA carry on with the envisioned plan for

combination demolition/adaptive re-use plan which keeps the property under the public domain incurring expenses with all Option B elements they once felt needed to be there?

Through much discussion it was decided to allow consideration of the sale of the property to other entities should the DDA's purchase conditions be met by a potential buyer. Thus started the long and tedious effort to possibly have the property put back on the tax roles and it's improvement fall on the back of a possible future purchaser.

At this point, a number of the DDA members decided there would be no more monies spent on this property if it was to be owned by someone else in the future. It was at this point that there appeared a division amongst the Board. Some said that the property is nothing but old buildings that should be torn down and to go forward with the plan and others stating that if it can be purchased by an entrepreneur for private enterprise we should allow that option to go forward. Once the pros-

pect of private ownership of the property was in play, the boards commitment to protecting the structure further from deterioration during the RFP process and thereafter all but disappeared.

Twice, I put forward a motion to spend some money to protect the buildings. Reasonable sums of money to protect the DDA/City investment. By role call vote the motions were defeated.

Now in the last four years nothing of significance has been done to improve the exterior envelopes and incoming water has continued. Even the one historic structure that was planned to be adaptively reused is in peril. Maybe those wishing to see the old structures go and have parking put in its place could see how this might happen. It is known as "demolition by neglect."

Can I say for sure this was the plan? No I can't. Do actions speak louder than words? Demolition is going forward as I speak.

Jim Myles is the owner of The Chelsea House Inn.

Contractor proud to support local workers

Residents or commuters to the Dexter area can't help but notice a major construction project happening close to Downtown Dexter on Baker Road. It is expected this project called the Wellness Center, will have the dramatic effect of providing the immediate area much needed physical/health/medical services along with a remarkable professional presence.

Not unlike the neighboring Chelsea Wellness Center, the Dexter Wellness Center will undoubtedly add to the already diverse make up of our charming community. This facility will increase the capabilities of the areas health and welfare, not to mention the benefit and asset to our Dexter School System and Athletic program training and rehabilitation.

What may not be as apparent is the type of construction. The structure represents the latest in masonry technology. These masonry walls are highly reinforced and insulated providing high efficiency energy savings second to none. For the design world the static R value is R-25. However, when the thermal capacity of masonry is figured into the equation, the system is in the R-30-35 range. This is not the only advantage to this type of system though.

This type of construction is so labor intensive that most of the budget goes directly to wages of local craftsmen and suppliers, rather than to out of state or area contractors or products manufactured out of state or elsewhere. This, in turn, puts local dollars back into our local economy. All of the masons, their support staff and families live in the immediate Dexter area. It gets better than this.

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The underground and site excavation work is performed by Iron Creek Contractors, owned and operated by Tom Pelts, a Dexter High School graduate, and Top Grade Excavation, owner Brian Mayhan from Manchester. The plumbing by

GUEST COLUMN: By Paul Koch

Mastercraft, owned and operated by Mark Wiseley, a Dexter High School graduate and long time Dexter resident.

The electrical contractor is Hopp Electric, owned and operated by Ron Hopp, a Chelsea resident. The list goes on and on with tradesmen from the immediate surrounding area and all with exceptional reputations.

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None of this happens by accident. Steve Brouwer, the construction manager and developer, and his family, are themselves, Dexter residents. There is

no quicker way to inject wealth and wellbeing into the area market than to provide a livelihood to local families who have children in our schools and houses in our neighborhoods. By utilizing local resources and our very talented tradesmen from this immediate area in the most efficient way possible, Mr. Brouwer and Co. walk the walk of area sustainability.

So the next time you pass the Dexter Wellness Center take a second look. There is far more than meets the eye.

Paul Koch is the owner of Koch Masonry, Inc., Mason Contractor for The Dexter Wellness Center. He is a 1980 Dexter High School graduate and an area resident. He employed 20 tradesmen for the project, all from the local, immediate and surrounding areas.

Whom Do You Want as your Representative?

We will be voting, in less than two weeks, for individuals to speak on our behalf in local government, as well as state and federal government. We want them truly to represent us and our needs; at the same time we want them to do what is best for our city or township, our state, and our nation.

We have this representative form of government because a true democracy, where every individual would personally come together to discuss, debate, and vote on all issues, would be logistically impossible. Therefore, whether we like it or not, we entrust our interests to our elected officials.

In the spiritual sense, we also have a Representative who appears on our behalf in the presence of God. His name is Jesus of Nazareth. God the Father designated Him as our Representative, but not for the same reasons that we have representatives in the government. Rather, it's because none of us is qualified to represent ourselves before our God.

First, we were not able to live the perfect life of obedience to God's commandments that God requires. Therefore, Jesus our Representative came to live a life of obedience on our behalf, and now anyone who acknowledges Jesus as his or her Representative receives God's verdict of approval, the verdict that He pronounced several times on His Son Jesus: "This is My beloved Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased" (Matthew 17:5).

Secondly, we are not able to pay the penalty of our own disobedience, since each and every day we do things our God has forbidden, and fail to do things God has commanded. Therefore Jesus, our Representative, came to live a totally obedient life, and then to suffer and die on our behalf. Now anyone who acknowledges Jesus as his or her Representative receives God's verdict of forgiveness that He pronounced by raising His Son from the dead on Easter Sunday.

We can only thank God that Jesus, our Representative, ascended into heaven, "now to appear for us in God's presence" (Hebrews 9:24), interceding for us whenever we sin and providing for us whenever we're in need.

Once, while discussing this with my eighth-grade catechism students, I asked whom in our class they would choose to be their representative before God. Several of them said, "You, Pastor." I had to say, "No, you wouldn't want me; you'd be sorry. You need more than a sinful human being." No mere man, or woman, will do. Only Jesus Himself is qualified to act as our Representative. We can go to Him directly with our needs and our sins, and He will take care of them for us.



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Walking event promotes safe school route

The community is invited to attend a walking audit of the Safe School Routes Program Saturday beginning at 9 a.m.

All community stakeholders, especially K-8 students, are encouraged to attend the walking audit kicking off at Back to the Roots, 115 S. Main St. The walk will finish at the Chelsea Area Wellness Foundation offices, 310 N. Main St.

A light breakfast will be provided. Please RSVP to Kristen Delaney at kristen@shealthytowns.org or (734) 433-4599.

The Chelsea Wellness Coalition has joined forces with the Chelsea Area Wellness Foundation and Michigan State University's Small Town Design Initiative to

launch the Safe Routes to School Program in Chelsea. This is an international movement and a federal program, designed to make it safe, convenient and fun for children to bicycle and walk to school.

One of the most important components of this initiative is getting input from community members about the current barriers to safe walking and biking for school-age children.

In Chelsea, there will be a walking audit to assess potential hazards for all pedestrians and bicyclists, but especially school-age children.

The walking audit will examine common routes to school and from school and having parents, children, and other community members document the conditions

that they encounter along the way. "A walking audit is a basic step in identifying barriers to safe walking or bicycling to school," said Kristen Delaney, Safe Routes to School Coordinator. "Not only is it a fun way to involve school-age children in the planning process, it also gives you a perspective that just cannot be found driving the routes in a vehicle."

Groups will walk an approximately one-mile route through downtown Chelsea and then discuss their walking experience with the larger group.

The process will be lead by a team of researchers from Michigan State University who have experience working on Safe Routes to School planning in hundreds of communities across the

state.

"The Safe Routes to School program is a powerful way to address not only safely getting students from home to school and back, but also the larger issues of child obesity and energy related impacts on our environment," said Warren Rauhe, Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture with Michigan State University's School of Planning, Design and Construction.

"As a program is developed to encourage and educate both children and parents about walking and biking to school, enforcement issues are reviewed, and physical improvements are considered, it is vital that the ideas and perspective from everyone can be shared with the

planning team and another."

The walking audit is one of the first steps in a process that will involve much of the school community. In addition to gathering input from the community, a multi-pronged primary team from two schools, including both district and private, will be working on the way that students, parents, cars and the environment interact with the school environment. The selected schools are: Middle School and Meadows Elementary School. School plans will be completed in May 2013.

For more information about this event, please visit www.safeschoolroutes.org to School Mapping.

CRIME BRIEFS

Burglary suspect arrested after police respond to alarm

A 39-year-old Grand Blanc man was arrested for breaking and entering after Chelsea police responded to a burglary alarm Oct. 17 in the 1100 block of South Main Street.

The alarm sounded at about 9 p.m. at a commercial business in the area and officers were dispatched to investigate, according to police.

The suspect was located near the targeted building while officers were performing a security check. He was detained while the investigation was being conducted. Police determined the business was entered and some items were stolen.

The suspect was placed under arrest and lodged in the Washtenaw County Jail pending authorization of charges by the county prosecutor's office.

morning, a Chelsea police officer observed saw two male subjects sleeping in a vehicle parked at the park play area at Sibley and North Main Street.

They were identified as a 17- and 18-year-old from Chelsea, according to police. They told the officer they had both been kicked out of their homes and had nowhere to go.

They were found at about 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

A strong marijuana odor from the vehicle was detected while the officer was making contact. The officer confronted the teens about this and they admitted they had some marijuana in the glove compartment area, according to police.

It was confiscated as evidence and has been sent to the Michigan State Police crime lab for analysis. The case against the teens remains open pending this analysis.

Woman receives threatening text messages

A resident contacted police at about 5 p.m. Friday to report a violation of a personal protection order she has against a 64-year-old Chelsea man.

She told police she has received multiple threatening text messages from him and believes he also drove past her location in the 300 block of North Main Street on numerous occasions, according to police.

The responding officer observed the text messages on her phone and documented them.

The suspect was not seen in the area while the officer was on the scene. This case remains open while police investigate further and try to contact the suspect.

Teens with marijuana found sleeping in vehicle

While on patrol Saturday

Man, 20, suspected of domestic assault

Police responded to a report of a domestic assault in progress the evening of Oct. 16 in the 700 block of Flanders Street.

Officers met with the victim and suspect, a 20-year-old Chelsea man, at about 5:30 p.m. in the front yard of a residence there, according to police.

The case against the suspect remains open pending review by the Washtenaw County prosecutor's office. Police are requesting charges of domestic violence and interfering with a 911 call.

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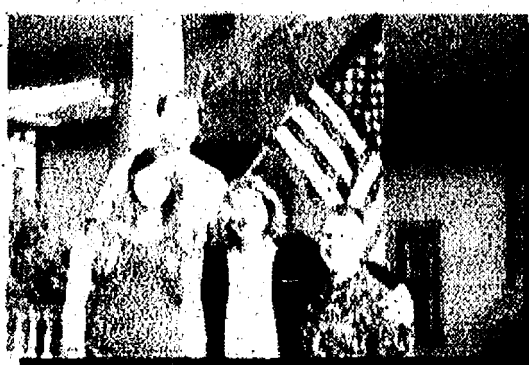
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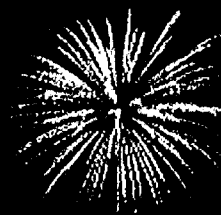
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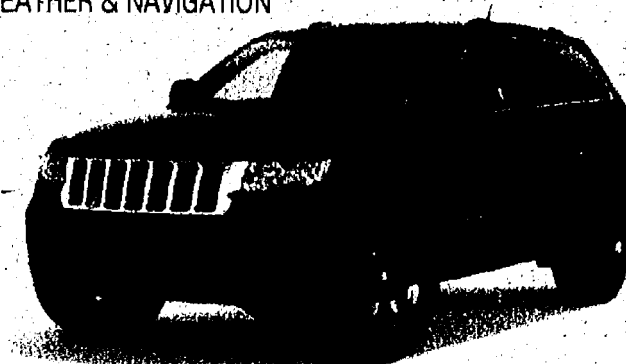
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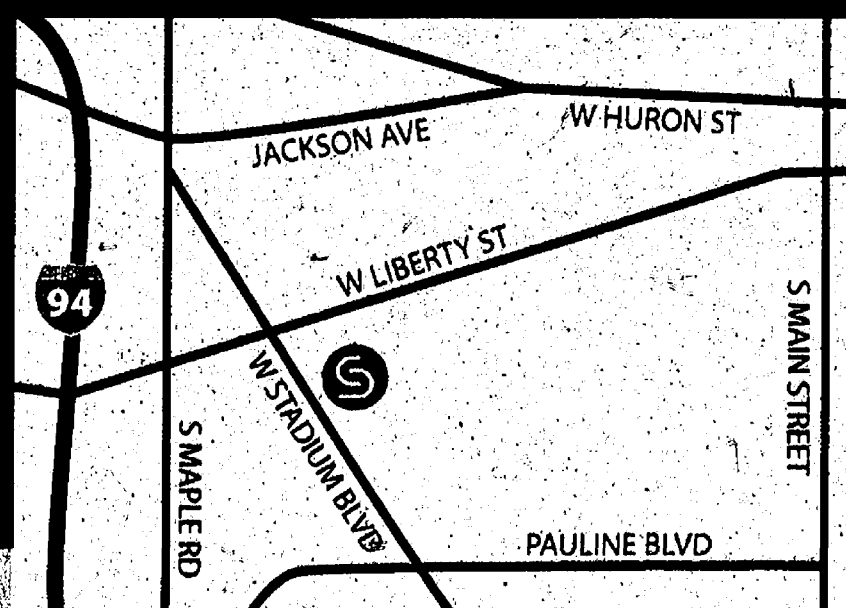
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PLAYOFF RUN!

Bulldogs knock off Haslett to lock up playoff spot

By Adam Boulton
Special Writer

When Chelsea senior linebacker Michael Hovater and the rest of his senior classmates found themselves in a 0-3 hole to start the season, they didn't hang their heads or quit on the season.

The seniors, along with the rest of the Bulldogs, were determined to turn it around. Chelsea capped off an impressive comeback to its regular season Friday, winning its sixth straight contest and qualifying for the playoffs in a 28-14 victory at home against Haslett.

With the victory, the Bulldogs (6-3) qualified for the playoffs for the 15th consecutive season. Chelsea, which hasn't missed the playoffs since 1997, will play at Tecumseh on Friday against the Indians.

Hovater, who led the Chelsea defense with eight tackles and three sacks, said that the season started to turn around after the Bulldogs' third straight loss to open the season.

"By then, I was just tired of (losing), so me and some of the other team leaders called a team meeting and we just got down and said 'this is what we need to fix, this is how we are going to get better,'" Hovater said. "We fixed it and we've gotten better."

"I think our seniors made a real conscious decision to get it turned around," Chelsea coach Brad Bush added. "After that third game of the year, they met as a group, not prompted by me and I think they just made a decision to practice better and to play for each other and here we are."

Chelsea played strong on both sides of the ball Friday. Haslett (5-4) scored on the opening drive of the game when running back Connor Brewer scored on a 1-yard TD run, but the Bulldogs countered with four straight touchdowns and shut down Haslett to take a commanding 28-7 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

Senior tailback Berkley Edwards accounted for all four touchdowns for Chelsea, scoring on runs of 10, 33, 19 and 35. In all, Edwards finished with 245 yards rushing on 26 carries. As a team, the Bulldogs had 362 yards rushing on the ground and 395 yards of total offense.

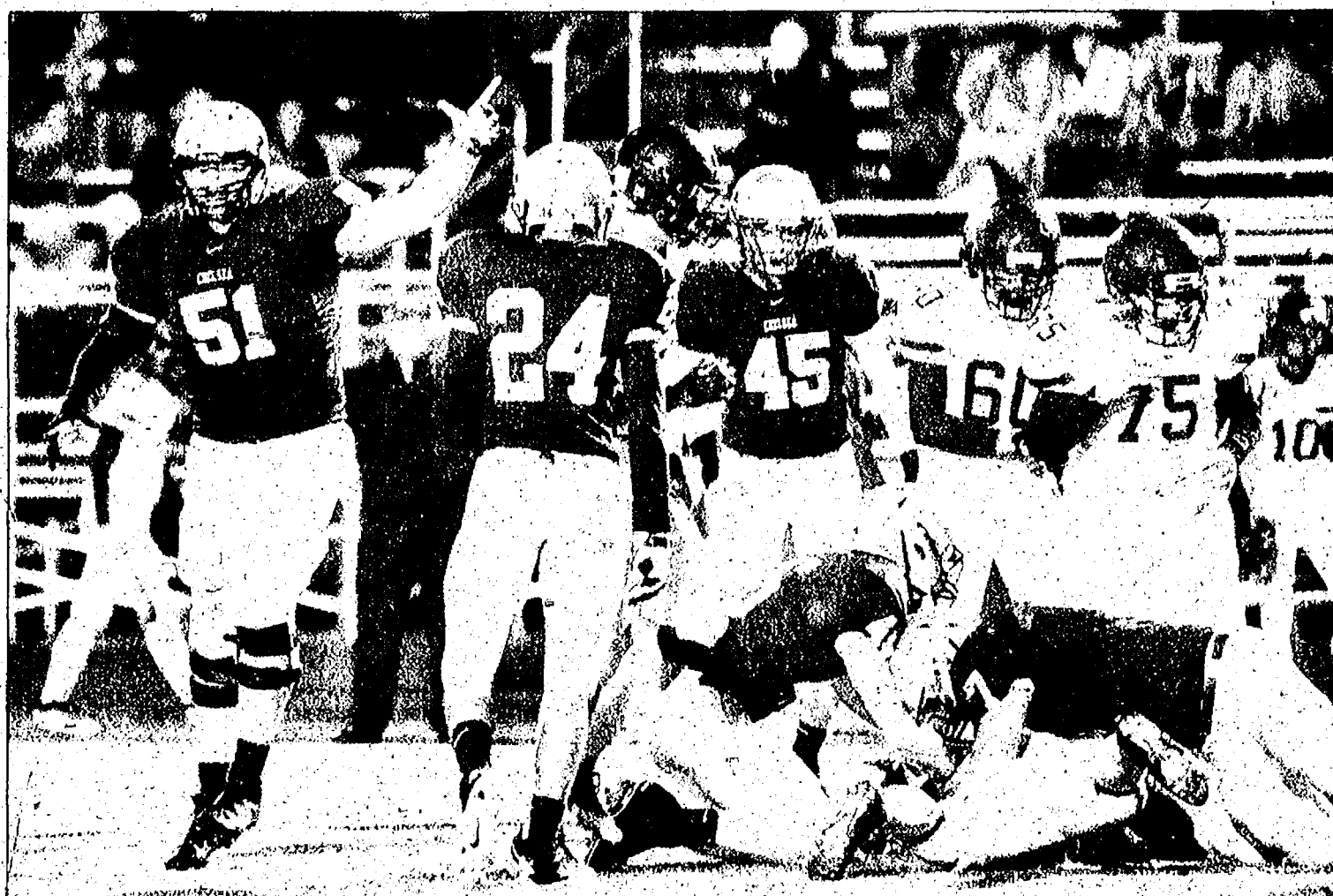


Tecumseh Rematch

The Bulldogs will head down to Tecumseh to face the Indians on Friday night in the first round of the state playoffs. The two SEC teams tangled earlier in the year with Chelsea winning 31-28 on Oct. 5. Since then, Tecumseh knocked off Adrian 29-26 before losing to Carleton Airport 11-10 in the last regular-season game of the season. The winner of this game will play the following week against the winner of the Milan-Airport game.

Photos by Burrill Strong

ABOVE: Berkley Edwards and the Bulldogs ran past Haslett and into the state playoffs. **RIGHT:** Michael Steinhauer and the Bulldogs are pointed in the right direction after making the playoffs for the 15th straight year.



the game and I thought that that was huge," Bush said. "In the third quarter, we rested some guys and then we got the stop in the end. That was huge."

Haslett cut the lead to 28-14 in the first minute of the fourth quarter, capping off a 14-play, 90-yard drive

on a 1-yard TD run by Josh Magyar. Chelsea followed with a three-and-out, handing the ball back to the Vikings again with a shot to pull within one score.

Hovater and the Chelsea defense had other ideas, as Hovater notched his third sack of the game on a key,

third-and-five situation, forcing Haslett to punt.

Chelsea's offense took over and helped run out the clock late in the fourth quarter and clinch the game. Edwards and the offense taking over the game is a familiar sight in the second half of the sea-

son for Chelsea fans.

"I think all of those guys have made a commitment," Bush said. "In the nature of our offense and because (Edwards') is our tailback, he's going to get a lot of the carries, but our

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Athletes of the Week



Frank Kurtz and Joey Humes, Milan

The Milan boys' cross country team ran a close second at Thursday's Huron League meet at Willow Metropark in New Boston. The one-two punch of Joey Humes (right) was third overall with a time of 17 minutes. Frank Kurtz (left) was fourth in 17:04. On Saturday, the Big Reds took first at the Airport Invitational. Milan went one-two with Kurtz taking first and Humes second, both with a time of 17:19.



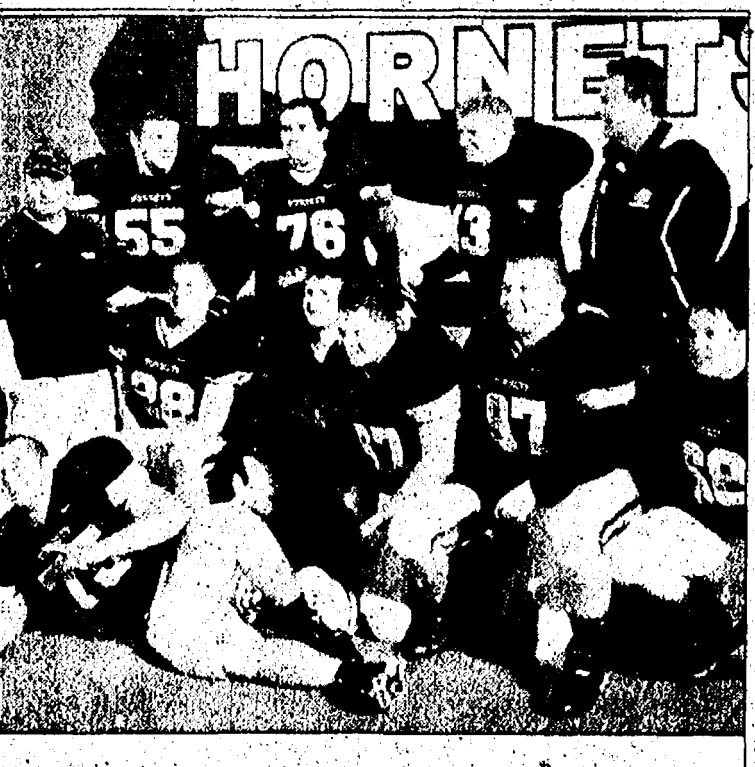
Megan Flocken, Dexter

The senior scored the game-winning goal in Dexter's 2-1 playoff victory over the Washtenaw Whippets on Saturday. Down 1-0 at halftime, Flocken sent a ball toward the Whippets goal that Neena Pio redirected into the net to tie the game with 6:30 left in the game. Less than 2 minutes later, Flocken dodged a defender and fired a rocket shot past the goalie that cracked off the back of the goal to give the Lady Dreads a 2-1 win.



Austin Horn, Chelsea

Austin Horn took first place overall at the SEC White Division league cross country meet on Thursday at Hudson Mills Metropark, helping lead the Bulldogs to a second-place finish behind Dexter. Horn took first overall in 16 minutes, 3 seconds. Horn's time also was faster than all the SEC Red Division runners and was a lifetime best.



The Saline defense

Once again, the Hornets stood tall on Friday. The keeping their opponent scoreless in the second half for the fifth straight week. Saline allowed just 113 points this season, which is the lowest total since 1985.

LOCAL HS FOOTBALL GAMES

Division 1

Region 3, District 1
■ Bedford (6-3) at Saline (8-1)

■ AA Pioneer (6-3) at Monroe (7-2)

Division 3

Region 3, District 2
■ Carleton Airport (6-3) at Milan (9-0)
■ Chelsea (6-3) at

Tecumseh (7-2)
Division 5

Region 4, District 1
■ Dundee (6-3) at AA Gabriel Richard (8-1)
■ Lake Fenton (7-2) at Jackson Lumen Christi

(8-1)
Division 6

Region 4, District 1
■ Manchester (6-3) at Clinton (9-0)
■ Michigan Center (8-1) at Grass Lake (8-1)

Dreads overcome adversity with class, hard work and a victory

JAKE'S TAKE



TERRY JACOBY

The door in the back of the Dexter football team's locker room is cracked open just enough to let the cold slip into the room. Through the opening, you can see the rain, the darkness and the doubt waiting to greet the Dexter football team.

The weather outside was miserable, serving as a perfect dance partner for the Dreadnaughts' dreadful season. It was a cold reminder of being outscored 325-44 and allowing 40 or more points in five straight games. The rain was pouring down on a winless team that started the season with little experience, whose new coach left after three games and whose former coach (onside) kicked them when they were down.

But this isn't about what was outside the locker room. It's about what was inside Friday night as the Dreads prepared for their final game of the season against Jackson Northwest.

And inside, a much different scene was unfolding. One of belief. One of trust. One of brothers.

After every game, no matter the score — 69-0 to classless Pioneer, 48-7 to Adrian, 49-0 to Tecumseh — Dexter coach Ryan Fisher had the same comment. "They played hard the entire game and that's all I can ask of them," said Fisher, a teacher and simply a nice guy who put his Master's Degree on hold to do the nice thing and take over the program in week four.

This is now week nine,

Full access

The Dexter football coaching gave Heritage Sports Editor Terry Jacoby full access to Friday night's final regular-season game against Jackson Northwest. Heritage Media would like to thank coach Ryan Fisher and the Dreadnaughts for allowing us inside the locker room before the game and during halftime.

with a zero under the win column and an ugly eight dripping in the loss column. Every player inside the locker room knew the score. They knew this was it — win or lose, the season would be over in just a few hours. A few hours left on a season that started under the hot sun in August and has gone colder by the week ever since.

The door in the back of the room remained open ajar as the players gathered in the locker room for their final pregame meeting of the season. Maybe the darkness through the crack was a small reminder of what they had been through — but only a reminder because this team was sitting front and center under the bright lights of what laid ahead.

Under those lights, burgundy and white banners hung from the ceiling. Slogans were written on the wall, including "those who stay are champions." The senior class of 2013 all stayed. And they were champions, regardless of what the record said or the scoreboard said or what others said.

But they wanted to say something. And they only had one more game to say it.

The underclassmen took their seats on the benches, waiting for the seniors to join them. Outside, the class of 2013 was being honored before the game as part of Senior Night. When the seniors did walk in the room, the room erupted in applause. It was a respect that went



Photo by Terry Jacoby

Dexter celebrates the eventual game-winning TD.

both ways.

Assistant coach Scott Staebler was the first to address the team.

"I want high tempo right out of the gate," he said as he paced back and forth in front of the players.

The room is upbeat and very positive. There is some talk of adversity. Some talk of last chances. Some talk of going out winners. But there is no talk of losing.

"Seniors, this is your last night on this football field," Staebler says. "Make it happen. Leave nothing on the field. Tonight is our night."

Then Staebler fires them up even more, but not with words, but action.

"We are going to do an onside kick on the opening kickoff," he says.

Remember, leave nothing on the field.

Fisher then tells his players: "We have faced too much adversity so let's come out on top and take this game. You owe it to yourselves."

That's what this game is all about. It's for the players in the locker room. This group of young men who have worked so hard and want a

little something to show for it when they finally turn off the scoreboard on this season.

The onside kick doesn't work, although it looked for a moment like it had. And Jackson Northwest took over at midfield. Still, the enthusiasm on the Dexter sideline never wavered nor did the cheers from the huge student section that ignored the weather conditions to show why and how they are the best student section in the area.

The defense really set the tone for this game. They were sticking people all over the field — giving it a little extra on every play to keep the visitors off the scoreboard.

With 21 seconds left in the first quarter, Brandon Bellottie blasted his way through the heart of the Jackson NW defense and stretched out across the goal line to give the home team a 6-0 lead. The place went wild. The cheerleaders danced. The band played. And for the first time in 395 minutes and 39 seconds, Dexter had the lead in a football game in 2012.

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Football Scoreboard

LAST WEEK — WEEK 9

Flat Rock 60, Willow Run 14
Monroe SMCC 49, Ypsilanti 6
Saline 42, Novi 7
Milan 36, Lincoln 14
Dexter 13, Jackson NW 6
Chelsea 28, Haslett 14
Belleville 47, Wayne Memorial 0
Dearborn 44, Skyline 7
John Glenn 37, Huron 0
Pioneer 31, Franklin 17
Fowler 21, Manchester 7
Gabriel Richard 17, NDP 12

THIS WEEK — PRE-DISTRICTS

Bedford (6-3) at Saline (8-1)
Pioneer (6-3) at Monroe (7-2)
Airport (6-3) at Milan (9-0)
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Dundee (6-3) at Gabriel Richard (8-1)
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Pigskin Picks

Each week, the football experts at Heritage Newspapers will make their picks for the coming week's contests. Here are this week's prognostications:

	Kevin Doby	Terry Jacoby	Mike Feld	Randy Castro
This Week's Games				
Bedford at Saline	Bedford	Saline	Saline	Bedford
Pioneer at Monroe	Pioneer	Monroe	Monroe	Monroe
Airport at Milan	Milan	Milan	Milan	Milan
Chelsea at Tecumseh	Chelsea	Chelsea	Tecumseh	Tecumseh
Dundee at Gabriel Richard	Dundee	Gabriel Richard	Gabriel Richard	Gabriel Richard
Lake Fenton at Lumen Christi	Lumen Christi	Lumen Christi	Lumen Christi	Lumen Christi
Manchester at Clinton	Manchester	Clinton	Clinton	Clinton
Mich. Center at Grass Lake	Grass Lake	Grass Lake	Michigan Center	Michigan Center
MSU at Wisconsin	MSU	MSU	Wisconsin	Wisconsin
Michigan at Nebraska	Nebraska	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Last Week's Record	8-2	7-3	5-5	6-4
Overall Record	61-36	62-35	71-26	69-28

Chelsea hosts Dexter in SEC showdown



Mary Kelleher serves one up.

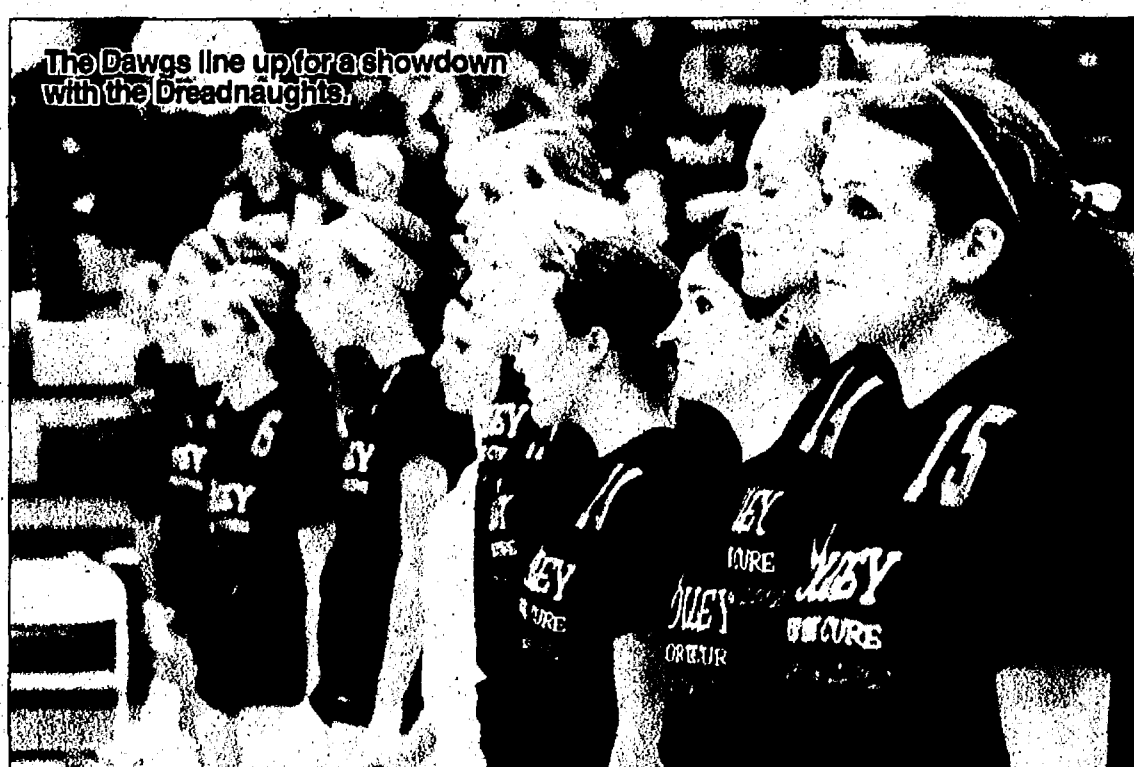


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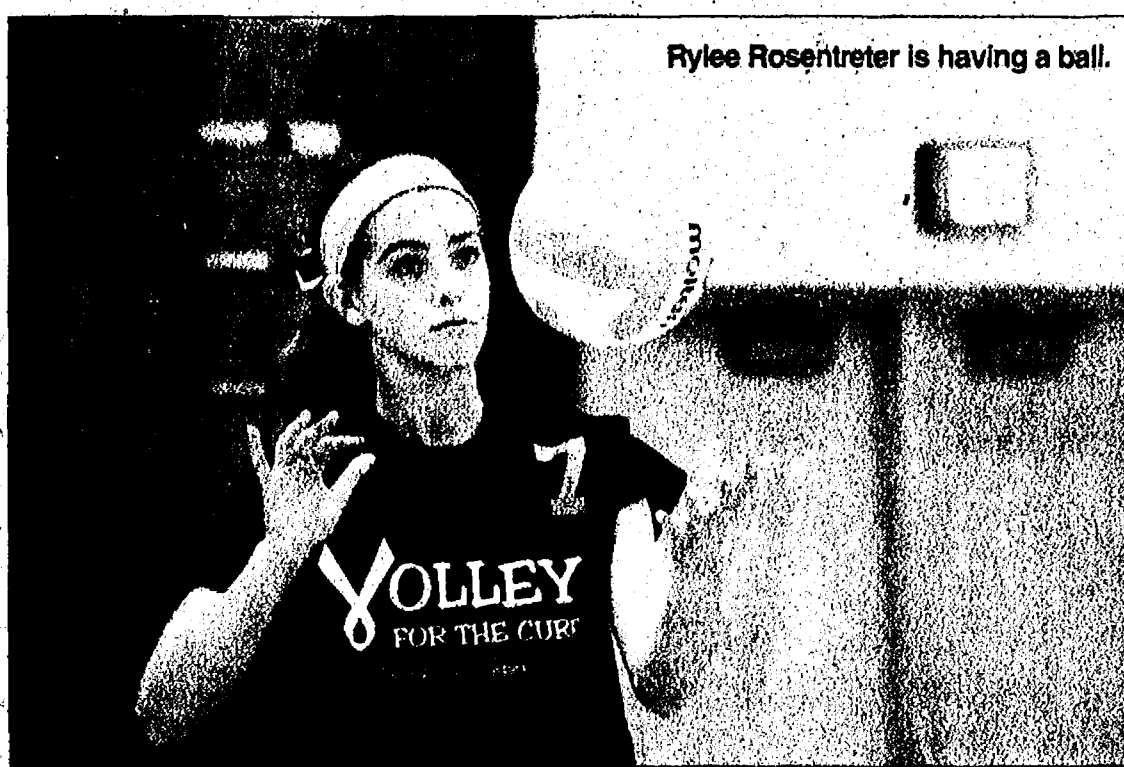
Bailey Darwin (left) and Shianne Butler stand side by side.



The students came out in force and full voice on Tuesday night.











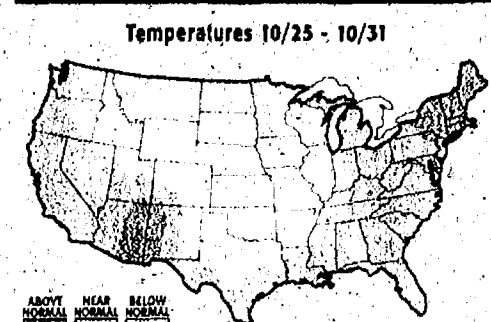
The Dawgs line up for a showdown with the Dreadnaughts.



Rylee Rosentreter is having a ball.

NATIONAL OUTLOOK

Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
							
Partly sunny and warm	Partly cloudy and mild	Chance of a thunderstorm	Showers possible	Partly sunny and chilly	Partly sunny	Rain and snow	Rain
71° to 77°	48° to 54°	52° to 58° 32° to 38°	43° to 49° 26° to 32°	45° to 51° 28° to 34°	49° to 55° 28° to 34°	50° to 56° 28° to 34°	45° to 51° 27° to 33°



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Statistics for the week ending Monday, Oct. 22

Temperatures:	
High/low for the week	74°/28°
Normal high/low	59°/36°
Average temperature	50.9°
Normal average temperature	47.6°
Precipitation:	
Total for the week	1.07"
Total for the month	2.67"
Total for the year	18.42"
Normal for the month	2.03"
Normal for the year	27.47"

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures		● High	● Low
Tue.	60	74	51
Wed.	61	77	48
Thu.	57	74	45
Fri.	56	70	37
Sat.	62	70	28
Sun.	60	70	34
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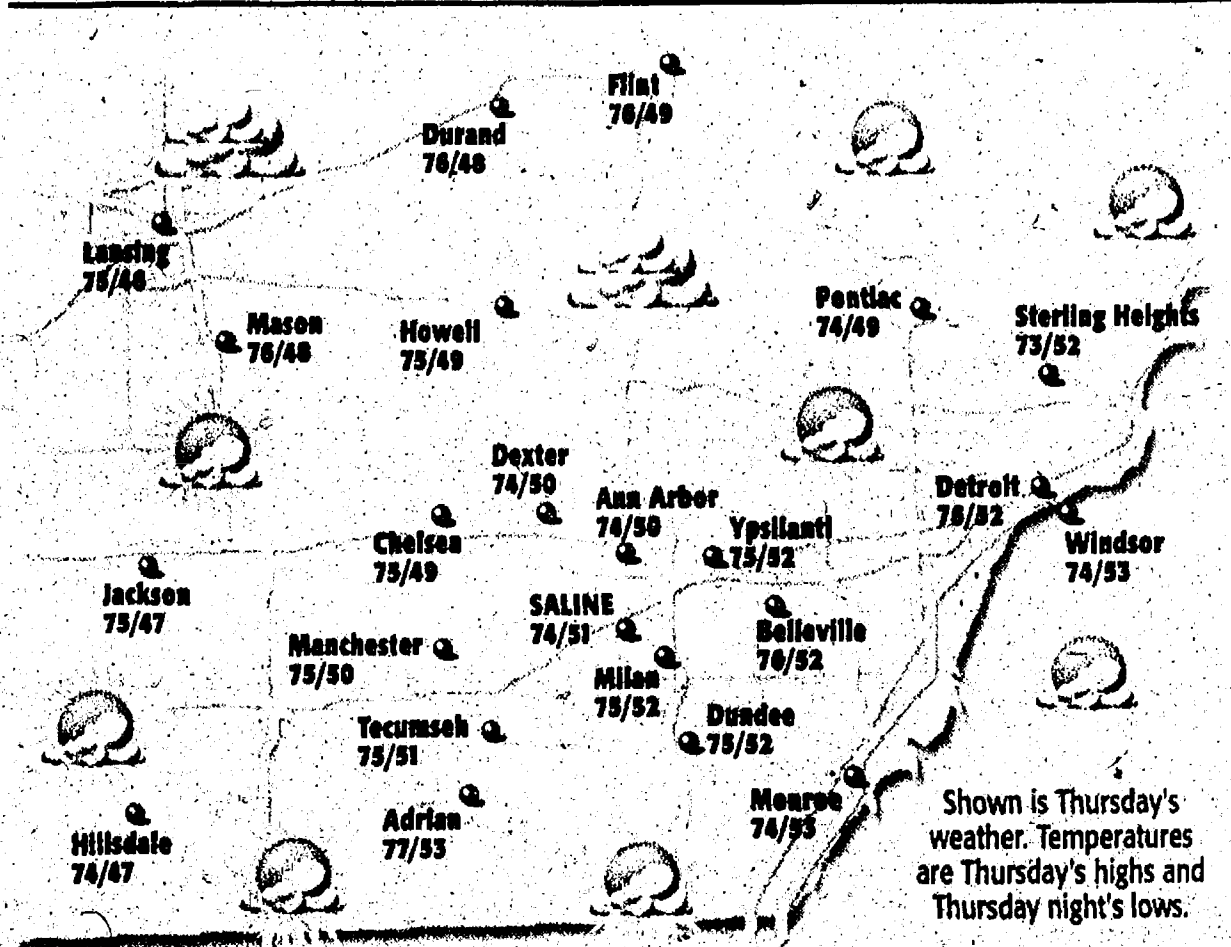
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Location	stage	stage
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Dearborn Heights		
Huron River		
Ann Arbor	16 ft	12.77
Malletts Creek		3.55
Ann Arbor		
Mill Creek		5.98
Dexter	12 ft	
River Raisin		2.49
Manchester		

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	580.11 ft	570.23 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	572.72 ft

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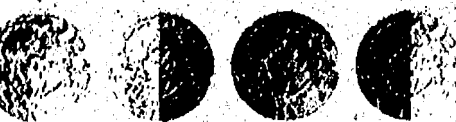
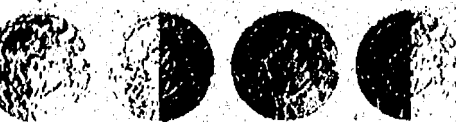
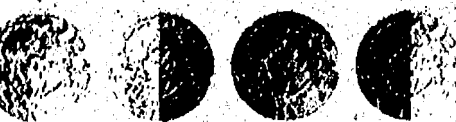
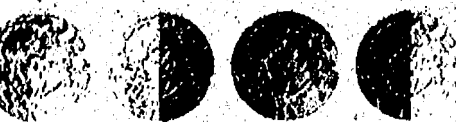
Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows.

REGIONAL CITIES

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City	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	City	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W
Adrian	78/54/pc	77/53/pc	57/37/c	47/31/sh	Manistee	69/55/c	69/40/r	46/33/c	43/29/pc
Ann Arbor	74/49/pc	74/50/pc	55/35/c	45/28/sh	Midland	74/57/c	76/46/pc	53/35/c	47/31/pc
Battle Creek	74/57/pc	75/46/pc	51/35/c	44/29/pc	Muskegon	70/58/pc	71/43/pc	50/33/c	48/32/pc
Bay City	74/57/pc	75/49/pc	53/37/c	48/33/pc	Pontiac	72/56/pc	74/49/pc	53/36/c	45/31/sh
Detroit	75/53/pc	76/52/pc	58/39/c	50/33/sh	Port Huron	74/51/pc	71/52/pc	56/37/c	46/31/sh
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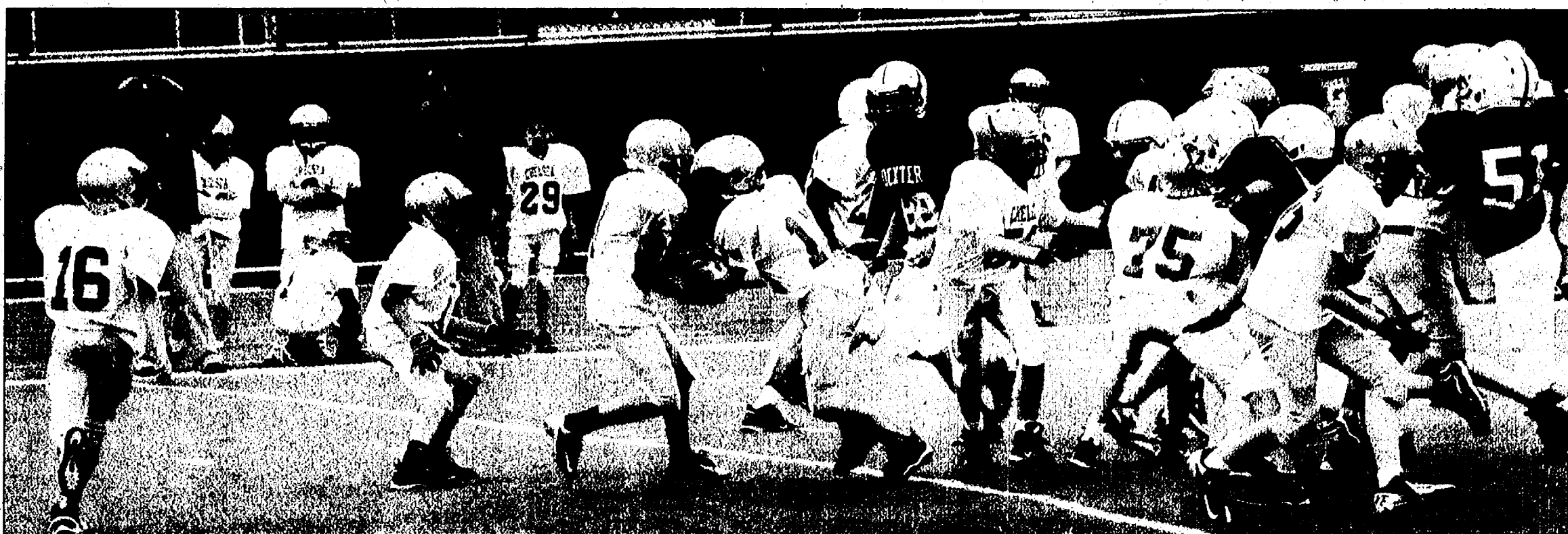
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Cleveland	76/57/s	62/43/s	52/38/sh
Dallas	83/45/pc	55/42/pc	61/44/pc
Denver	32/21/pc	38/24/c	49/29/s
Honolulu	83/73/pc	85/72/pc	85/74/s
Houston	88/68/pc	75/51/pc	66/47/pc
Kansas City	60/34/pc	50/31/pc	50/33/s
Las Vegas	70/52/pc	67/53/s	72/52/s
Los Angeles	81/60/s	86/60/s	86/60/s
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Minneapolis	44/28/r	39/26/c	41/30/s
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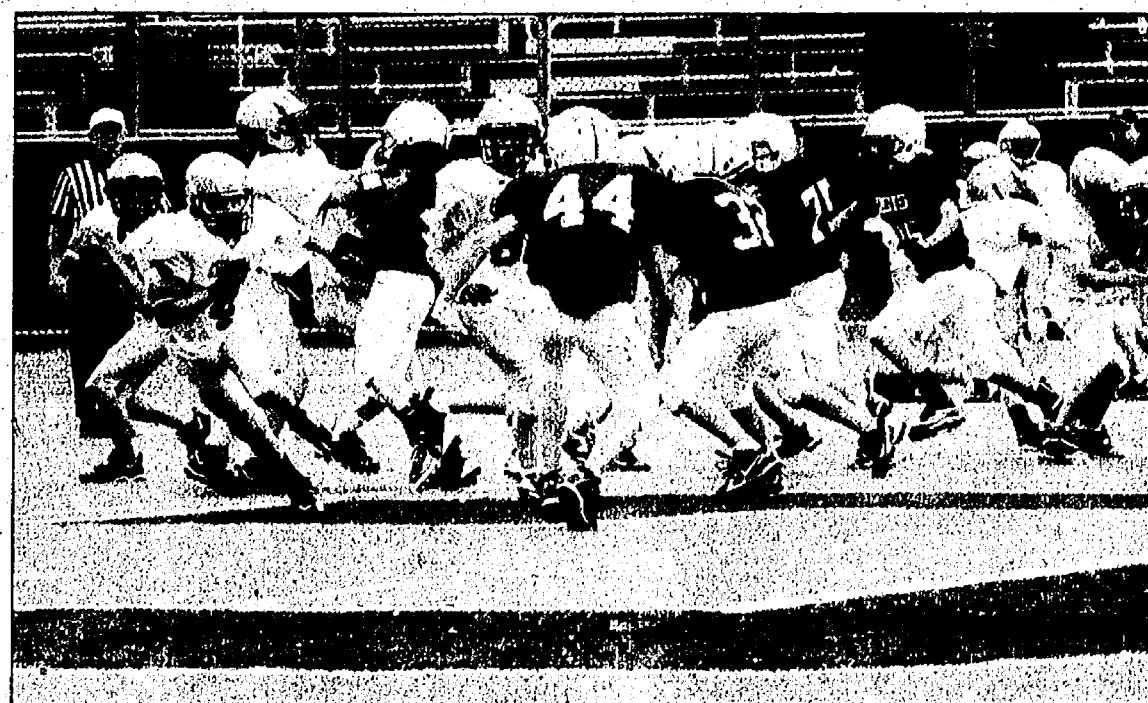
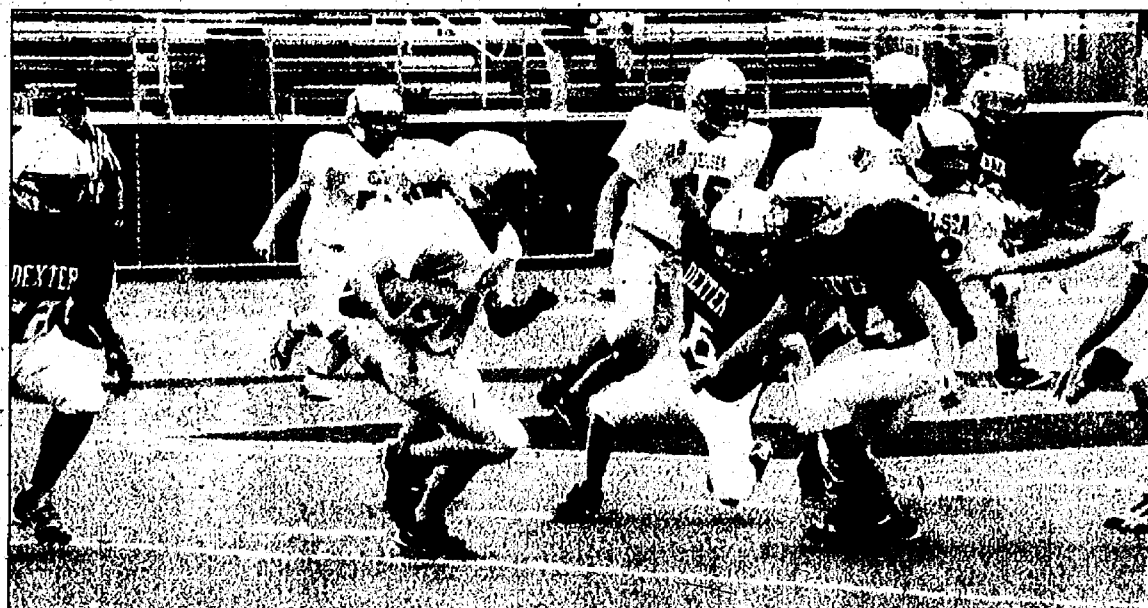
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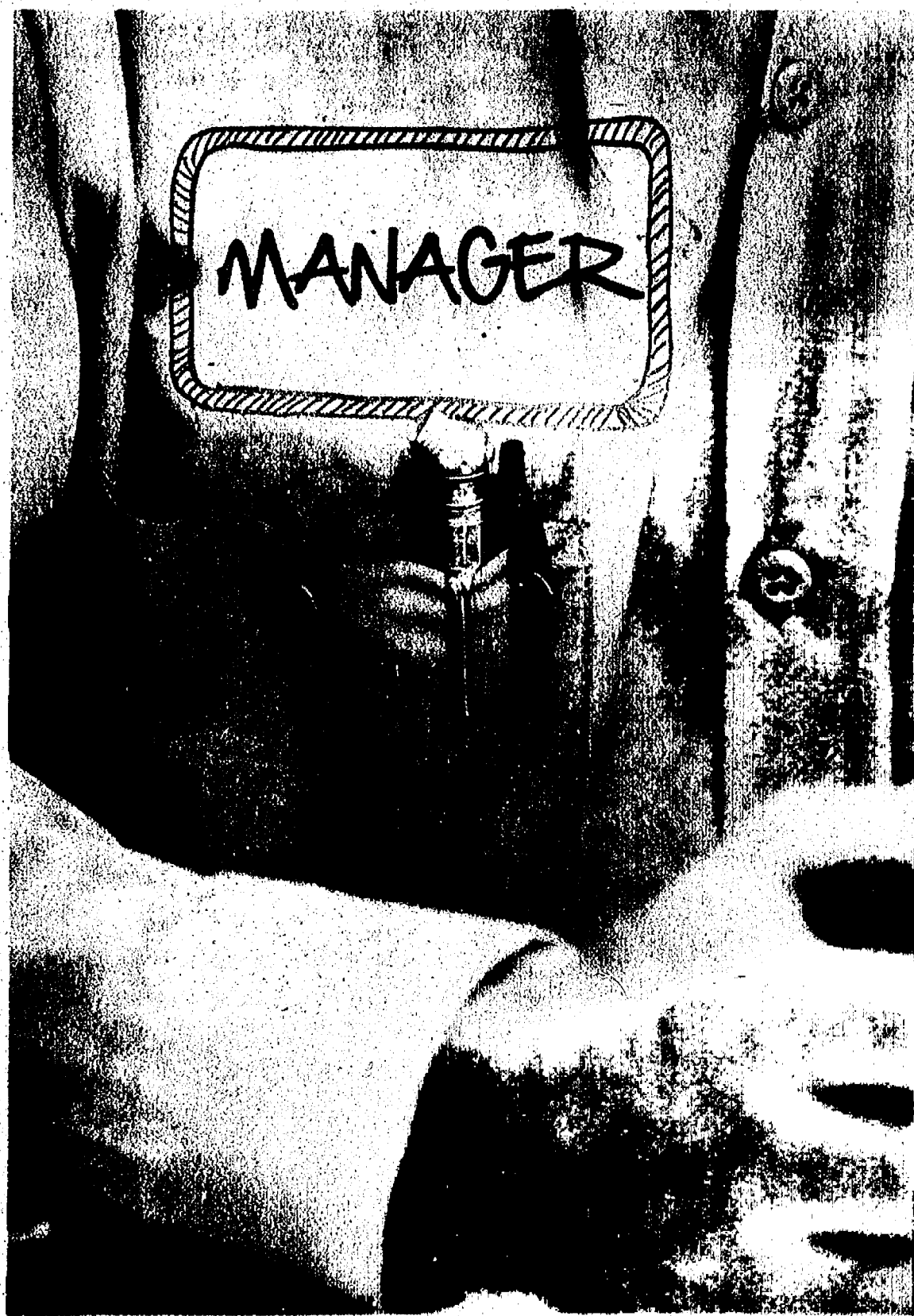


7th-grade clash

Chelsea vs. Dexter



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FOOTBALL

FROM PAGE 2-C

The boys took the 6-0 lead into the locker room at half time. This time, the back door was shut tight. They didn't want any doubt slipping through the cracks.

"This is the first time we've been in this locker room with a lead," Fisher said. "Keep up the pressure. We are going to spread them out and run right at them. Let's put them in a hole they can't get out of."

Senior Anthony Esposito points out the sign, "Those who stay are champions." He says he's proud to be on this football team. Then, Andrew Grafton stands up in front of his teammates and yells, "This is the seniors last game ever. Let's make our mark and play hard until you drop."

The Dreads took the

field in the second half full of optimism and hope and team unity. And most importantly, they took the field with a lead. But this isn't Hollywood. It's Dexter. This isn't a movie. It's reality.

And when Jackson Northwest scored to tie the game at 6-6 in the third quarter, the script took a turn for the worse. The rain seemed to fall a little harder, the wind a little stronger and the temperatures a little colder. The doubt, however, never showed up.

"Keep your heads up," Fisher yelled as the defense

came off the field.

Early in the fourth quarter, Dexter's Matt Kasten ran untouched 21 yards into the end zone to give the Dreads a 13-6 lead.

The Dreadnaughts were 10 minutes, 36 seconds away from the win column. They spent that final time doing what good teams do. They made big plays when they had to. They took care of the football. They didn't commit dumb penalties. In other words, they weren't going to beat themselves.

Jackson Northwest would have to beat them.

And that wasn't going to happen. The Dreads had come to close to let it slip away, and when quarterback Andy McWilliams took a knee in the final seconds, the place erupted as if they had won for the first time all season — which, of course, they had.

There were smiles and screams and laughter and even some tears. It was a long road. But the last exit was worth the ride.

"It was great to finally win a game," said Esposito. "I couldn't ask for a better group of guys to play with."

Dexter did what Dexter has done all season. They

played hard from start to finish. They never doubted themselves, whether the score said 0-69 or 13-6. They played with the same intensity for 432 minutes.

But the victory on the last Friday was proof that hard work and determination can land a group of young men in the win column. They all knew they were winners. Now they had the proof.

McWilliams said back in August that this team would never quit, no matter what happened. Well, a lot happened. But they never did quit.

And it's only fitting to give

McWilliams the last word.

"It feels great," he said standing in the rain, surrounded by darkness and his teammates. "With all the adversity we've been through, it's good for our seniors, for our team, for our coaching staff, for the whole school and community. This was important."

It was most important for the players. Because this game was signed, sealed and delivered by them, for them. The Dreadnaughts can now close the back door on the season.

And it was most definitely important.

HS playoffs

SOCCER

Tuesday

■ Dexter vs. Marshall, 5 p.m. at Vicksburg HS
■ Skyline vs. Plymouth, 7 p.m. at Farmington HS
■ Greenhills vs.

Hamtramck Frontier at Dearborn Edsel Ford, 5 p.m.

Thursday

■ Dexter-Marshall winner vs. Mattawan-Mason winner at Vicksburg, 7 p.m.

■ Skyline-Plymouth winner vs. Crestwood-Novi winner at Farmington, 6 p.m.

■ Greenhills-Frontier winner vs. Lansing Christian-Inter City Baptist winner at Edsel Ford, 4 p.m.

D-1 semifinals, Oct. 31 at

Saline HS

D-1 Finals, Nov. 3

D-2 semifinals, Oct. 31 at Plainwell HS

D-2 Finals, Nov. 3

VOLLEYBALL

District lineup for matches Oct. 29-Nov. 3

■ No. 13-A Saline
Milan
Monroe
Saline
Temperance-Bedford
Ypsilanti-Lincoln

No. 15-A Taylor-Truman
Belleville
Inkster
Romulus
Taylor-Truman
Wayne Memorial
Westland-John Glenn

■ No. 17-A Ann Arbor-Skyline
Ann Arbor-Huron
Ann Arbor-Pioneer
Ann Arbor-Skyline
Dexter
Pinckney
Ypsilanti

■ No. 37-B Napoleon
Brooklyn-Columbia
Central
Chelsea
Jackson-Lumen Christi
Napoleon
Onsted
Stockbridge

■ No. 45-B South Lyon
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Detroit-Communication
Media Arts
Livonia-Clarenceville
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Dexter's Alex Amman and Chelsea's Artemis Eyster compete at the SEC meet.

Dawgs run second at SEC

Artemis Eyster and Maegen Hopkins continued to lead Chelsea as they have done all season. The two sophomores helped lead the Chelsea girls' cross country team to a second-place finish at the SEC White league meet last week.

Chelsea finished with 54 points. Dexter won the meet with 23 points. Lincoln was third with 84 points and Tecumseh fourth with 86.

"We had a goal to get three all-league runners and we accomplished our goal," said coach Pat Clarke. "I was very proud of the way the girls ran. They were really motivated to do well. This is a good meet to launch us into next week's regional. I hope we continue to improve."

Dexter freshmen Alison McLean was the overall SEC champion placing first in the

race. She finished with a time of 19:35.85, beating out Chelsea's Eyster, who took second in 19:44.49.

Maegen Hopkins was ninth overall in 20:39. Also running exceptionally well was freshman Karana Wickens who made All-League by finishing in 11th place with a time of 20:51.

Chelsea had three first team All-League runners and three honorable mention All-League runners.

Maria Osentoski was 14th (21:41), Madison Nelson was 17th (21:53), Lindsey Hopkins was 18th (21:54) and Kennedy Aldrich was 22nd (22:14).

In the JV race, Lauren O'Toole was 25th in 21:58, Dana Porter was 38th in 22:26, Ella Fritzmeier was 41st in 22:32 and Makayla Bradley was 50th in 22:47.

Dreadnaughts rally to knock out Whippets

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Media

The 12th-seeded Dexter field hockey team traveled to Chelsea on Saturday for a round-two playoff game against their divisional rival Washtenaw. After winning the D3 title this season, the Whippets (11-2-1) were seeded fifth in the state championship tournament.

These two teams met twice in the regular season and in both games, Washtenaw bested Dexter by a 2-0 score. There is an adage in sports, though, which says how tough it is to beat the same team three times in the same season.

And it turned out to be too tough a task for the Whippets. The Dreadnaughts scored two second-half goals to rally for a 2-1 win over the Whippets and advance to Tuesday's quarterfinal game against Bloomfield Hills Marion.

"This was a very satisfying win for our players," said Dexter coach Craig Flocken. "We felt we could compete with Washtenaw but there were those nagging doubts as a result of the earlier games we had against them. The girls really wanted to prove to everyone they could come out of Chelsea with a victory."

"Washtenaw had a great season. For what they did with the small roster they carried this year, kudos to the entire organization. They are a solid team and demonstrated such during the two losses they hung on us this year."

The first half was all Washtenaw as the Lady Dreads could not get anything going. The Whippets controlled the pace and play from the opening whistle. At the 16-minute mark, the Cole sisters teamed up to give Washtenaw a 1-0 lead on a corner-play with Maggie sending a shot towards goal which Meghan redirected past Dexter

Field Hockey

goalie Anna Love.

Washtenaw's offense continued to pressure Dexter for the remainder of the first half and their defense shut down the Dreadnaught offense - not allowing a single shot. When both teams went to their half-time meetings, the Whippets held their one goal advantage.

"This could have been a team loss but it turned into a team win," Flocken said. "The Whippets dominated us in the first half. To be only down a goal was a major victory as far as the coaching staff was concerned. It could have been much worse."

"The girls were told they were just letting Washtenaw beat us to balls up and down the field of play. We challenged them to pick up their effort. They did and it made a huge difference in how the game flow went during the second half."

In that second half, the Dreadnaughts came out from their halftime meeting a different team. The advantage Washtenaw held for the first 30 minutes quickly disappeared as the Lady Dreads woke up realizing their season hung in the balance on how they performed over the final thirty minutes.

With their newfound energy, Dexter began to put some pressure on the Whippet defense who bent but did not break. As the game neared the end, Washtenaw still held onto their slim lead. Then with six and a half minutes left, Dexter finally got their needed break when Megan Flocken sent a ball in towards goal which junior forward Neena Plo redirected past Washtenaw

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Horn runs first at SEC meet

Austin Horn took first place overall at the SEC White Division league meet on Thursday at Hudson Mills Metropark, helping lead the Bulldogs to a second-place finish behind Dexter.

Horn took first overall in 16 minutes, 3 seconds.

"It was a windy, soggy day - which made the times a bit off for most people, except for Austin Horn," said Chelsea coach Eric Swager. "He ran with the top two Dexter guys through two miles, then put the hammer down and opened up a dominating gap in the last 800 meters."

Horn's time also was faster than all the SEC Red Division runners and was a lifetime best.

"It continues to amaze me how he competes at the end of the season, and I am looking forward to two more great races to cap off his cross country career," Swager said.

This was the fifth consecutive year that Chelsea



Photo by Roy Schmidt

Austin Horn finished first at the SEC league meet.

has produced the SEC individual champion, a remarkable accomplishment.

Dexter ran first in the meet with 24 points. Chelsea was second with 37 with Adrian a distant third with 85 points. Dexter took first in the overall standings with Chelsea second.

"The team race came down to a head-to-head battle between our pack and Dexter's three-five run-

ners," Swager said. "Ten seconds faster for our pack would have been enough to win the title, but it was not to be on this day."

"As we continue to progress throughout the season, one thing still lacking is a team-wide 'killer instinct' in the final mile. Austin showed us how it is done, and we all need to do the

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A rivalry thriller!

Dexter rallies from two games down to top Chelsea

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Media

Huge crowd. Bright lights. Big stage.

It could only mean one thing – Chelsea vs. Dexter.

It also means that winning requires focus, determination, skill and even a little luck from start to finish. The Chelsea volleyball team certainly started that way. Everything was clicking for the Bulldogs, who won the first two games from their rivals on Tuesday night.

But on their way to the finish line, Dexter stood tall and rallied for an exciting 3-2 victory over the host Bulldogs. Dexter not only rallied from two games down, but the Dreadnaughts came back from 9-3 down in the fifth and final game of the night.

"It's a game we have been looking forward to all season," said Dexter senior Susanna Pilkerton. "I think we came into the game a little too head strong, a little too full of ourselves. But we then went back to basics and won."

This Dexter team is all about togetherness and playing as one. And that cohesiveness translates into confidence. Even down 2-0 to Chelsea on the Bulldogs' home floor, the confidence never wavered.

"After game two there was no doubt in our mind that we were going to win," said senior Carolyn Whitaker.

"Dexter volleyball doesn't give up. After that second game, it was like OK guys, let's switch it on and we ended up winning the last three games. We have to keep reminding ourselves that we can't give up."

And they didn't give up after being down two games. And they didn't give up after being down 4-1 and 9-3 in the final game.

"We like to focus on five points at a time," said senior Talia Wood, who

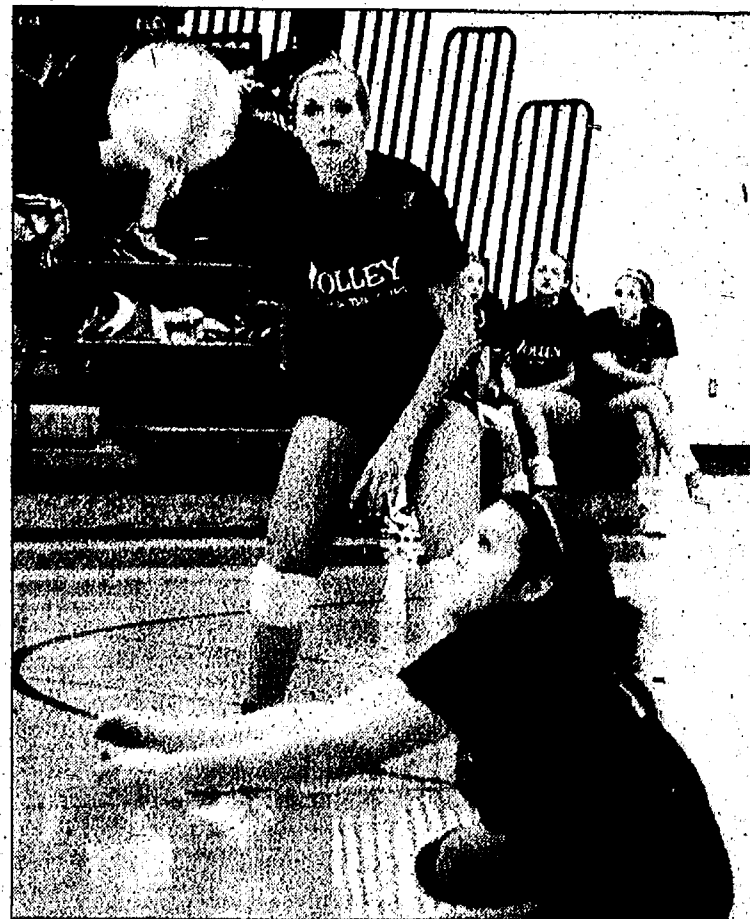


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TOP LEFT: Chelsea junior Shianne Butler makes a great play as senior Bailey Darwin looks on for the Dawgs. **TOP RIGHT:** Dexter's Carolyn Whitaker (center) and the Dreadnaughts had plenty of reason to celebrate Tuesday night in Chelsea. **RIGHT:** Dexter's August Bishop rises up to drive home a point for the Dreadnaughts.

proudly backed up her prediction earlier in the year that Dexter would beat Chelsea. "I was really excited and we just had to keep our focus and calm down and focus on our side even if they were up. We got the ball rolling and we finished."

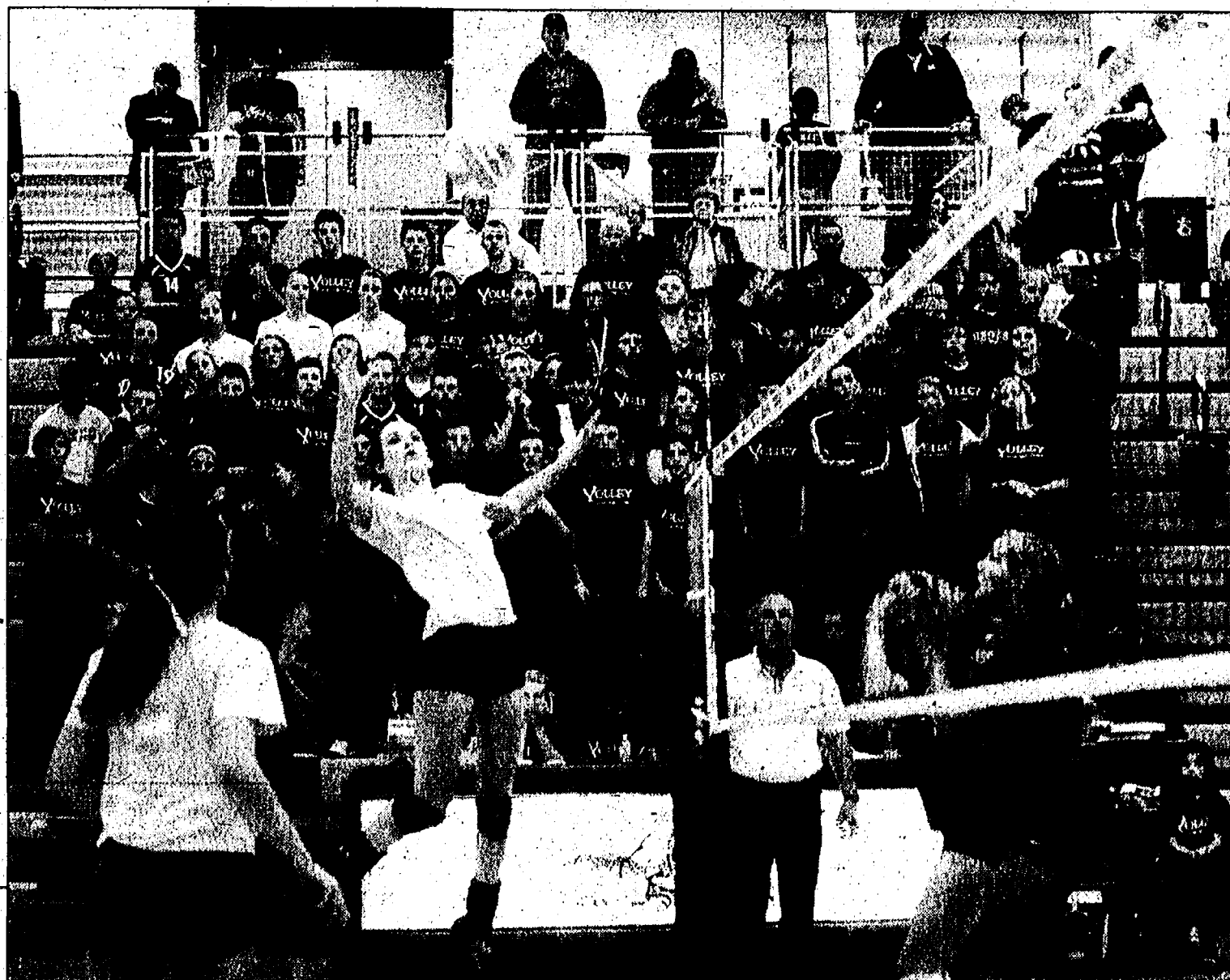
And the name of the game in volleyball is finishing.

Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland certainly liked what she saw early on from the Bulldogs, a team that has improved throughout the season.

"We came out really strong with good passing and attacking and had the momentum through the first two games," she said. "Then they came out and made some adjustments. They did a lot more tipping and that was working for them."

Cleveland said her club didn't pass as well in the fourth game, which didn't allow them to hit as effectively as they had been earlier.

"We came out really



strong in the fifth game and they came back on us," she said. "It was very exciting, right to the finish. They just outlasted us."

After Dexter stormed back to tie the match at two games apiece, Chelsea showed plenty of fight of their own in the final game.

Bailey Darwin and Shianne Butler blocked

a Dexter shot at the net to give Chelsea a 6-2 lead. After Dexter called time out, the Bulldogs added two more points to take a commanding 9-3 lead.

Wood helped lead the Dreadnaughts back into the game. Great players play great at big moments and Wood stood tall at the net for the visitors. She

delivered a spike to end Chelsea's run and then threw down another one to cut the lead to 9-6.

After Dexter's Josie Dusack gave her team another point, Chelsea called time out. The 9-3 lead was now 9-7. Dexter added another point on a controversial call at the net and Wood tied the game at 9-7

with her biggest spike of the night.

Dexter's Eden Krull also played a key role in the game five comeback, serving Dexter from 9-3 to 9-9. Rylee Rosentreter put Chelsea up 10-9 with a spike. Dexter couldn't handle.

Another nice play by

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Serving notice!

Chelsea-Dexter volleyball game highlights sportsmanship at its finest

According to the history books, one team won and another lost on Tuesday night in Chelsea. But there were no losers in a classic Chelsea-Dexter matchup on the volleyball court.

The Bulldogs may have walked off the floor with their heads down but when they raise them up and look around and see the big picture, they will see that they were part of a special evening.

The smiles flashed by the Dexter players after the game proved that they already knew that this was a big deal. Chelsea-Dexter always is a big deal. But it's really something special when the teams are both evenly matched and both teams are very, very good – and that was certainly the

JAKE'S TAKE



TERRY JACOBY

case Tuesday night.

These two teams met before earlier in the season in a tournament. But this was the night both teams had circled on the calendar. Even before the first ball was served on the season, a Dexter senior had already let the Bulldogs know

that they were thinking about their friends to the west.

"I've been thinking about the Chelsea game already," said Talia Wood back in August. "I really want to beat Chelsea. We are coming for them. They better be ready."

The thing is, Chelsea was ready. The Bulldogs stormed out of the gate, winning the first two games. While the Dexter players and even the large student section still believed, the parents were certainly squirming

around in their seats.

And more than a few heads were turning. But what did people expect? You know the old saying in rivalries, throw out the records.

Well, in this case the records are outstanding so you can't just dismiss them. Maybe the Dreadnaughts forgot that the team on the other side of the net was pretty good too.

"It's a game we have been looking forward to all season," Dexter senior Susanna Pilkerton said after the game. "I think we came into the game a little too head strong, a little too full of ourselves. But we then went back to basics and won."

Pilkerton and Wood, both seniors, played key roles in the comeback. Along with fellow senior captain Carolyn Whitaker, the Dreadnaughts righted the ship and rallied to win the next two games and force a game five.

A game five in volleyball is as exciting as it gets in high school sports. It's right up there with overtime in football or



Photo by Terry Jacoby

Both teams were pink on Tuesday night and both teams (and schools) showed why they are winners – on and off the court.

basketball or a shootout in soccer or extra innings in baseball and softball.

The pressure intensifies and any mistake can cost you the ballgame.

A game five in volleyball is only played up to 15 so there is less room for mistakes. Less room for adjustments from the sidelines. And less room to rally if you fall behind. But Dexter did just that – they fell behind. Chelsea built a 9-3 lead in game five and looked fully in control. Then the ship turned and the Dreadnaughts stormed back and once they came all the way back, tying the

game at 9-9, it was clear they would not be denied.

Still, this evening was more than just about the game. The evening also was about raising money for breast cancer awareness and volleyed up a substantial amount of money for a great cause. Both teams wore pink uniforms, showing that even rivals can come together to make a difference in both communities.

The large and vocal student sections on both sides of the gym also proved that they can have fun, support their teams and show true sportsmanship and respect.

Bad news always makes headlines. The brawl after the Pioneer-Huron football game on Friday night was being talked about and written about and commented on all over the state. An overriding theme was that the incident was just another example of bad sportsmanship in our high schools.

Well, Tuesday night in Chelsea was the opposite. And it won't get noticed nearly as much, but good news should also make headlines. And that's why everyone in the gym that night was truly a winner, especially the young ladies in pink.

Dawgs dunk Tecumseh

The Chelsea girls' swim and dive team welcomed the Tecumseh Indians to the pool last Thursday and walked away with a 119-67 win. The Bulldogs were able to take advantage of their depth against Tecumseh and post the win.

The 200 medley relay team of Maddie Doman, Jillian Dixon, River Jensen and Katie Olsen started the meet off taking first place in 2:03.66. The team of Rachel Valek, Camden Dammeyer, Sydney Hodel and Hannah Mahalak finished third with a time of 2:11.84 and the relay of Alex Dana, Clare Dettling, Grace Elie and Margaret Lindauer touched fourth in 2:23.08.

Talia Dyer led the Bulldogs in the 200 freestyle, taking first with a 2:05.15. Lauren Olk placed fourth in 2:26.49 and Emily Simons finished fifth 2:29.35.

In the 200 individual medley Jensen finished second with a final time of 2:32.08. Dammeyer took third in 2:33.73 and Hodel placed fourth with a final of 2:38.96. In the 50 freestyle Dixon

placed second with a season best time of 27.05, while Olsen placed third in 28.89 and Doman touched fourth in 29.45.

Wilhelmina Francisco took first in diving, with 209.35 points. Sarah Carrara finished third with 179.60 points and Kayla Whipple took fourth with 167.35 points.

In the 100 butterfly, Jensen took second in 1:10.67, while Olsen took third in 1:15.60 and McDonnell finished in 1:20.08 and earned fifth place.

Dyer led the 100 freestyle with a time of 56.70, while Hodel came in second with 1:02.75 and Valek finished third with a 1:03.52. The 500 freestyle saw Dammeyer lead the pool, finishing with a time of 6:01.37. Olk took third with a 6:16.90 and Dana finished fourth in 6:27.51.

In the 200 freestyle relay the team of Dyer, Dixon, Olsen and Jensen led Chelsea to another top finish, with a time of 1:47.90. The team of Mare Almhiem, Grace Elie, Simons and McDonnell touched third with a final time of 2:03.09 and Mercado,

Lindauer, Whipple and Fredericks finished fourth in 2:09.75. The 100 backstroke was led by Doman, who touched first in 1:08.70 and Valek touched second in 1:12.68. Mahalak finished out the head by taking fifth in 1:18.80.

Dixon touched first in the 100 breaststroke with a final time of 1:20.29. Dettling finished third in 1:25.88 and Grace Elie finished out the event in fifth with a 1:31.26.

Finishing the meet with the 400 freestyle relay, the team of Dammeyer, Hodel, Doman and Dyer finished second in 4:10.62, while Dana, Olk, Valek and Mahalak touched third in 4:34.67 and Maria Elie, Simons, Mercado and Dettling finished fourth with 4:41.54.

The Bulldogs next will welcome Dexter to the pool for a senior night match tonight.

HOCKEY

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goalie Hannah Moore to tie the game.

The goal was the momentum Dexter needed as ninety seconds later, the Dreadnaughts were able to force a corner play against the Whippets. On the resulting play, Dexter was able to get a shot off but a Washtenaw defender blocked the ball and redirected it away towards the top of the circle.

Unfortunately for the Whippets, it was sent to Flocken who dodged one defender and then fired a rocket shot past the goalie which cracked off the back of the goal to give the Lady Dreads a 2-1 lead with only 5 minutes to go.

"Megan has been a complete player for us this

season but she was pressing," said Craig Flocken, her coach and father. "A rivalry game, playoffs and what could be her last high school game. She needed a 'refocus moment.' So midway through the second half, the coaching staff pulled her off the field and told her to relax, to have fun and enjoy the game. When Megan went back in, the difference was noticeable and the results helped keep Dexter's season alive."

For the final minutes, Washtenaw tried furiously to get the equalizer but the Dexter players were able to thwart all attacks. When the final horn sounded, cheers erupted from the Dexter sideline and from its fans as the Dreadnaughts had realized a come-from-behind win when their season appeared all but over.

With this victory, the

Dreadnaughts (10-5-1) will travel to neutral-site Ann Arbor Pioneer Stadium on Tuesday to face off against the tournament's fourth-seeded Bloomfield Hills Marian Mustangs (D1).

The Lady Dreads have made it to the second round of the State Playoffs in each of its first three years. As the twelfth seed, Dexter is the lowest seed left in the twenty-three team tournament.

"Our girls rose to the occasion," Flocken said. "Now we need to refocus again as our road in these playoffs only gets tougher. This will be our first quarterfinals appearance and it is a big accomplishment for only our team's third year. We believe we have the personnel to get even farther, though, and that is what we will be working to do this coming week."

RUN

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same at regionals and state."

The Bulldogs had three other runners finish among the top 10. Jacob Stubbs was sixth (17:06), Tony Vermilye was ninth (17:21), David Trimas was 10th (17:24), Bram Parkinson was 11th (17:27), Jack Abernethy was 12th (17:28) and Joe Vermilye was 18th (17:59).

"The JV guys battled hard, and we finished the regular season on a positive note," Swager said. "This team has made great strides through the year, and the varsity must now 'seal the deal' in these last two weeks."

In the JV race

- 9. Avery Osentoski 17:54
- 12. Miles Fischer 18:00
- 21. Charlie Miller 18:18
- 42. Adam Bowersox 18:45
- 58. Matt Proegler 19:07
- 68. Mitchell Henschel 19:18
- 98. Roy Schmidt 19:48
- 127. Kyle McGregor 20:26
- 135. Connor Heaney 20:38

- 147. Luke Blough 21:03
- 152. Evan Mongie 21:11
- 156. Sebastian Suntheimer 21:15
- 186. Sean Lyons 22:13
- 194. Drew Sujek 22:42
- 197. Austin Reardon 23:08
- 201. Josh Cole 23:35

sudoku solutions

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BEGINNER

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INTERMEDIATE

ELECTION NOTICE

TO: QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF WEBSTER TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A GENERAL ELECTION

Will be on

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2012

From 7:00am - 8:00pm

For the purpose of electing officers to the following offices:

- Partisan:**
 President/Vice President
 Senator
 Representative of Congress
 State Representative
 Members of the State Board of Education
 Members of the University of Michigan Board of Regents
 Members of the Michigan State University Board of Trustees
 Members of the Wayne State University Board of Governors
 Washtenaw County Prosecuting Attorney
 Washtenaw County Sheriff
 Washtenaw County Clerk/Registrar of Deeds
 Washtenaw County Treasurer
 Washtenaw County Water Resource Commissioner
 Washtenaw County Commissioner 2nd District
 Webster Township Supervisor
 Webster Township Clerk
 Webster Township Treasurer
 Webster Township Trustees
- Non-Partisan:**
 Justice of Supreme Court
 Justice of Supreme Court, Incumbent Position
 Judge of Court of Appeals, 3rd District Incumbent Position
 Judge of Circuit Court, 22nd Circuit Incumbent Position
 Judge of Circuit Court, 22nd Non-Incumbent Position
 Judge of Probate Court, Washtenaw County Incumbent Position
 Judge of District Court, 14A District Incumbent Position
 Board Members Dexter Community Schools
 Board of Trustees Member Washtenaw Community College
 Board member Ann Arbor Public Schools
 Board member Ann Arbor District Library
 Board member Whitmore Lake Public Schools
 Board member Pinckney Schools
 Village of Dexter President
 Village of Dexter Clerk
 Village of Dexter Trustee

Statewide - 6 Proposals

PROPOSAL 12-1

A REFERENDUM ON PUBLIC ACT 4 OF 2011 - THE EMERGENCY MANAGER LAW

Public Act 4 of 2011 would:

- Establish criteria to assess the financial condition of local government units, including school districts.
- Authorize Governor to appoint an emergency manager (EM) upon state finding of a financial emergency, and allow the EM to act in place of local government officials.
- Require EM to develop financial and operating plans, which may include modification or termination of contracts, reorganization of government, and determination of expenditures, services, and use of assets until the emergency is resolved.
- Alternatively, authorize state-appointed review team to enter into a local government approved consent decree.

Should this law be approved?

PROPOSAL 12-2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

This proposal would:

- Grant public and private employees the constitutional right to organize and bargain collectively through labor unions.
- Invalidate existing or future state or local laws that limit the ability to join unions and bargain collectively, and to negotiate and enforce collective bargaining agreements, including employees' financial support of their labor unions. Laws may be enacted to prohibit public employees from striking.
- Override state laws that regulate hours and conditions of employment to the extent that those laws conflict with collective bargaining agreements.
- Define "employer" as a person or entity employing one or more employees.

Should this proposal be approved?

PROPOSAL 12-3

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY

This proposal would:

- Require electric utilities to provide at least 25% of their annual retail sales of electricity from renewable energy sources, which are wind, solar, biomass, and hydropower, by 2025.
- Limit to not more than 1% per year electric utility rate increases charged to consumers only to achieve compliance with the renewable energy standard.
- Allow annual extensions of the deadline to meet the 25% standard in order to prevent rate increases over the 1% limit.
- Require the legislature to enact additional laws to encourage the use of Michigan made equipment and employment of Michigan residents.

Should this proposal be approved?

PROPOSAL 12-4

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH THE MICHIGAN QUALITY HOME CARE COUNCIL AND PROVIDE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR IN-HOME CARE WORKERS

This proposal would:

- Allow in-home care workers to bargain collectively with the Michigan Quality Home Care Council (MQHCC). Continue the current exclusive representative of in-home care workers until modified in accordance with labor laws.
- Require MQHCC to provide training for in-home care workers, create a registry of workers who pass background checks, and provide financial services to patients to manage the cost of in-home care.
- Preserve patients' rights to hire in-home care workers who are not referred from the MQHCC registry who are bargaining unit members.
- Authorize the MQHCC to set minimum compensation standards and terms and conditions of employment.

Should this proposal be approved?

PROPOSAL 12-5

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT THE ENACTMENT OF NEW TAXES BY STATE GOVERNMENT

This proposal would:

- Require a 2/3 majority vote of the State House and the State Senate, or a statewide vote of the people at a November election, in order for the State of Michigan to impose new or additional taxes on taxpayers or expand the base of taxation or increasing the rate of taxation.
- This section shall in no way be construed to limit or modify tax limitations otherwise created in this Constitution.

Should this proposal be approved?

PROPOSAL 12-6

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES AND TUNNELS

This proposal would:

- Require the approval of a majority of voters at a statewide election

and in each municipality where "new international bridges or tunnels for motor vehicles" are to be located before the State of Michigan may expend state funds or resources for acquiring land, designing, soliciting bids for, constructing, financing, or promoting new international bridges or tunnels.

- Create a definition of "new international bridges or tunnels for motor vehicles" that means, "any bridge or tunnel which is not open to the public and serving traffic as of January 1, 2012."

Should this proposal be approved?

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT LIBRARY DOWNTOWN BUILDING PROPOSAL

Shall the Ann Arbor District Library, formed by the Ann Arbor Public Schools and the City of Ann Arbor, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed sixty-five million dollars (\$65,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, in one or more series, payable in not to exceed thirty (30) years from the date of issuance of such bonds, for the purpose of paying all or part of the costs of constructing, furnishing and equipping a new main library building to be located at the current site of the downtown library building, including costs related thereto?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage to be levied in 2013 to pay the debt service on such bonds is 0.56 mills (\$0.56 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 0.47 mills (\$0.47 per \$1,000 of taxable value). In accordance with State law, a portion of the revenue collected may be subject to capture by the City of Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority and the Seio Township Downtown Development Authority.

This notice is provided in compliance with Michigan Election Law, MCL 168.648

The Polling Place is located at the Webster Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Rd, Dexter, MI.

The polling location is handicapped accessible.

County Treasurer's Statement of all voted increases in the total tax rate limitation:
 See below.
 Published in compliance with MCL 168.653 (a), October 25, 2012

Mary Dee Heller, Webster Township Clerk

Publish October 25, 2012



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Catherine McClary
 Treasurer

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Tuesday, October 09, 2012, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in:

Webster Township

Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows:

Charter millages are not over and above the tax limitation, but are listed here for information purposes. The records in this Office may not yet include all updated tax levies for the current year.

Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Ann Arbor District Library Operating	1.9214	Indefinite
Ann Arbor Public Schools Sinking	1	12/2014
Operating Non Homestead	18	12/2019
Operating Homestead	12.4675	12/2019
Dexter Community Schools Operating Non-Home	17.3727	2013
Operating Non-Home	2.633	2013
Dexter District Library Operating	0.4381	Indefinite
Operating	0.6925	12/2017
Livingston Educational Service Agency Operating All	1.0124	Indefinite
Operating All	1.2587	Indefinite
Operating - Home/Non-Home	0.067	Indefinite
Pinckney Community Schools Non-Homestead	18	12/2014
Washtenaw Community College Operating	1.0354	Indefinite

Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Operating	0.8384	12/2016
Operating	1	12/2012
Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
Washtenaw County Parks	0.2353	12/2016
Act 88	0.06	12/2012
HOMA	0.2146	Indefinite
Veterans' Relief	0.0286	12/2012
Operating	4.5483	Indefinite
EECS	0.2	12/2015
Parks	0.2409	12/2020
Parks	0.2387	12/2019

Washtenaw Intermediate School District:

Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Special Ed Operating	0.985	12/2017
Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite
Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite

Webster Township

Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
PDR	0.5	12/30/2014
Public Safety	2	12/30/2014
Operating	0.779	Indefinite

Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Whitmore Lake Public Schools Operating Nif	17.5482	12/2016
Operating - Headlee	1.949	12/2016
Recreation Mill	0.6001	12/2023

Dated: Thursday, October 08, 2012
Catherine McClary
 Washtenaw County Treasurer
 Publish October 25, 2012

Webster Township

Webster Township Regular Board Meeting

October 16, 2012

The Webster Township Board Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm, by Supervisor John Kingsley on October 16, 2012 at the Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present: Supervisor: John Kingsley, Clerk: Mary Dee Heller, Treasurer: Carol Whitney, Trustees: Gary Koch, Charles Estleman, Richard Kleinschmidt, John Westman, Deputy Clerk: Cynthia Zuccaro, and 4 citizens.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Approve Minutes
 Motion Kleinschmidt, second Koch, to approve the minutes of the Webster Township Board of Trustees Board Meeting on September 18, 2012. All ayes and carried.

Supervisor Remarks
Approve Agenda
 Motion Koch, second, Whitney, to approve the October 16, 2012 agenda as presented. All ayes and carried.

Ann Arbor Library Presentation/Josie Parker
 County Wide Transit Authority/Bill Degroot
 Call to Public

Reports

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

B. Planning Commission:
 Report received.

C. Parks & Recreation Committee:
 No report received.

D. Zoning Inspectors Report:
 Report received.

E. Sheriff's Report:
 Report received.

F. Zoning Board of Appeals:
 Report received.

G. PDR Committee:
 Report received.

H. Fire Department:
 Report received.

Old Business:
 none.

New Business:

A. Snow Removal
 Motion Estleman, second Westman, to renew the snow removal contract with Milligan's Landscaping. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

B. FEMA
 Motion Kleinschmidt, second Estleman, to table the discussion on the National Flood Insurance Program (FEMA), to investigate further. All ayes and carried.

C. Parks and Recreation Appointment
 Motion Kingsley, second Heller, to appoint Steve Puffi as the new Chair for the Parks and Recreation Committee. All ayes and carried.

D. County Wide Transit Authority, Washtenaw County
 Motion Koch, second Estleman, to adopt Resolution 08-12 to Withdraw from the 160 Transit Authority in Washtenaw County. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

E. Gordon Hall Management Committee Board Member Appointment
 Motion Kingsley, second Heller, to appoint Terry Stacey to the Gordon Hall Management Committee Board. All ayes and carried.

Correspondence
 Correspondences received.

Call to Public
Adjourn
 Motion Kleinschmidt, second Koch, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.
 All ayes and carried. Respectfully submitted,

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township
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RIVALRY

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Dusack tied it right back up at 10-10.

The Dreads took their first lead of the final game at 11-10, but a spike by Chelsea senior Riley Singleton evened the score at 11-11. After a spike by Alisha Anderson gave Dexter a 12-11 lead, the Dreads gave it right back on a bad serve. It would be the Bulldogs' last point of the night.

Dexter scored the next three points, including one on a nice tip by Pilkerton, to win game five 15-12.

In game one, Darwin's spike made it 6-6 and Butler's spike made it 10-10. Darwin gave the Bulldogs a 15-14 lead with a nice block at the net.

Another block - this time by Singleton - gave Chelsea a 19-17 lead.

A double block at the net by Anderson and Crystal Kedroske cut Chelsea's lead to 20-18.

But back-to-back spikes by Laurel Hall and Butler gave the Dawgs a 22-20 lead. Another nice play by Hall made it 24-21. After a solid spike by Dexter's August Bishop, Chelsea won the opener 25-22 when Dexter's serve went out of bounds.

The Bulldogs had an even easier time in the second game. Butler spiked Chelsea to a 4-0 lead and the Dawgs were off and running. With Taylor Cooley at the serve, Chelsea took a 7-1 lead.

Dexter cut into the lead. With Krull serving, the Dreads pulled to within 8-6.

But the Bulldogs kept up the pressure. A nice tip at the net by Singleton gave Chelsea a 13-7 lead, and another nice tip by Rosentreter made it 17-10.

An awesome diving save by Chelsea's Mary Kelleher helped lead to another point and a 21-13 lead.

The Dawgs went on to a 25-19 win to go up 2-0.

The Dreadnaughts came out strong in game three. A tip by Bishop made it 4-1 and a huge spike by Kedroske gave Dexter a 6-3 lead. Wood made it 8-3 and Dusack pushed the lead to 10-7.

Bishop made a strong

play at the net to give Dexter a 17-11 lead. Thanks to some solid serving from Elle Jansen, the Dreads built a 20-11 lead, and went on to a 25-13 win.

Game four started out with some outstanding back-and-forth play by both teams. Anderson's spike gave Dexter a 10-8 lead as the Dreads started to pull away.

A miscue by Chelsea gave Dexter a 17-12 lead. Darwin's spike ended Dexter's run, but the Dreads had an 18-13 lead. Singleton's spike for a point was answered by Pilkerton's tip. A double block by Pilkerton and Bishop made it 24-17 as Dexter won the fourth game 25-17.

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Summary of Action of the
Dexter Township Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting October 16, 2012

Called to order at 7:00 PM

Members Present: Supervisor Kelly, Treasurer Kooyers, Clerk Rider, Trustees Brushaber, Lesser and Maciejewski

Also Present: Zachary Michels, Director of Planning & Zoning

Absent: Feinnian, with prior notice

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, along with General Fund bills totaling \$48,373.32, Fire Fund bills totaling \$30,397.21, Police Fund bills totaling \$38,750.09 and gross Monthly payroll of \$20,636.65.

The Board received committee reports from the Public Safety Advisory Committee and the Regional Fire Committee.

Joe Martucci from Enbridge Company presented the Township with a check from Enbridge in the amount of \$2,500 as a contribution toward the Township Outdoor Warning System.

Mr. Michael Benham from the Ann Arbor Transit Authority (AATA) presented information on the County-Wide Transit Authority. Mr. Benham and Michaelene Pawlak, Director of the Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (W.A.V.E.), fielded questions from the Board and the public.

Following the presentation, the Board adopted a resolution to opt-out of the County-Wide Transit Authority, leaving the option of requesting to join at a later date up to the Board and a vote of the Dexter Township residents.

In addition, the Board took the following actions: Opened sealed bids for snow plowing at the Township Hall, and awarded the bid for a two-year contract to Northland Services for a fixed two-year price of \$16,200. Received and filed the FY 2011/2012 Audit Report. Approved overtime for Sheriff's traffic control at the Township Hall on Election Day. Approved attendance at the Michigan Association of Planners conference, as well as memberships, for Mr. Michels. Approved attendance at an MTA seminar on Fire Protection for Supervisor Kelly. Approved training at the "early bird" rate for the new Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer.

The Board also approved a \$2,000 contribution to the Chelsea Senior Center to help offset expenses for Dexter Township residents, and authorized PSAC member Steve Burch to accompany the contractor to oversee/manage the outdoor warning system installation and authorized Clerk Rider to serve as the Board's liaison to the project to approve minor changes as may be necessary.

The board discussed and/or received updates, but did not take action on: Property acquisition (11485 N. Territorial Rd.) Sign Structure demolition, West Lake Hills site plan revised consent judgment. Request by the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) for initial engineering renderings for the proposed fire sub-station. Township Newsletter.

The board also acknowledged the service to Dexter Township by Treasurer Kooyers, who is not seeking reelection.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Harley B. Rider, Clerk, Dexter Township

Summary approved by
Pat A. Kelly, Supervisor, Dexter Township
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DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN
AT THE REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by President Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

ROLL CALL: President Keough, Carson, Fisher, Cousins, Smith absent, Semifero absent. **Tell APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion Tell; support Fisher to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 10, 2012 as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustees Semifero and Smith absent.

Trustee Semifero entered the meeting at 7:34 PM

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Cousins; support Fisher to approve the agenda with additions, Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustee Smith absent

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$190,576.65, Closure of Central Street from Main to Fifth Street for Apple Daze on October 6, 2012 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Appointment of Rich Bellas to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee, Appointment of Julie Woods to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee

Motion Fisher; support Semifero to approve items 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Consent Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustee Smith absent

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of: Motion Tell; support Carson to approve the payment of increased consulting fees for JJR for the Mill Creek Park Project in the amount of \$13,500.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None Absent: Smith

Motion carries

Motion Carson; support Cousins to award the bid for the 2012 Sidewalk Project to CM & Sons in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None Absent: Smith

Motion carries

Motion Cousins; support Tell to contribute \$6,000 in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 towards Dexter Township's Outdoor Warning Siren Program.

Ayes: Tell, Semifero and Keough Nays: Carson, Cousins and Fisher Absent: Smith

Motion fails 3 to 3

CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AND PENDING LITIGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.288

Motion Carson; support Fisher to go into Closed Session at 9:00 PM for the purpose of discussing the potential purchase of property and pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.288.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Tell and Keough

Nays: None Absent: Smith

Motion carries

Motion Fisher; support Tell to leave closed session at 9:39 PM.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None Absent: Smith

Motion carries

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Fisher; support Carson to adjourn at 9:40 PM.

Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustee Smith absent

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

Approved for Filing: October 8, 2012

NOTE: This is a synopsis of the Regular Council Meeting. The minutes in their entirety may be viewed at the Village Office at 8123 Main Street, Dexter MI or online at www.villageofdexter.org

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NOTICE
TESTING OF VOTING
EQUIPMENT

To the qualified electors of the Township of Dexter, notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of MCL 168.798(1), the Dexter Township Clerk will conduct a **Public Test** of the voting equipment to be used in the November 6, 2012, General Election. The test will be conducted on Sunday, October 28th, 2012, at 9:00 A.M. at the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI 48130. Interested members of the public are invited to observe this Public Test. Please contact the Clerk's office with any questions (734) 426-3767.

Harley B. Rider, Clerk
Dexter Township
clerk-dexter@twp-dexter.org
 October 25, 2012

SYNOPSIS OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES
LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 8, 2012

The regular meeting of the Lima Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk Bareis, and opened with the Pledge to the Flag. In the absence of the Supervisor, Clerk Bareis appointed Trustee McKenzie to chair the meeting. Present were Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laier, Absent, Supervisor Unterbrink. Also present several residents and guests.

Motion by Laier supported by Havens to approve the Lima Township Board Agenda as written. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Havens to approve the September 10, 2012 Lima Township Board Minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to reopen the Agenda to add Payment of Bills. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was received.

Resolution #2012-005 was offered by Havens and supported by Bareis to support the Chelsea Area Planning Team/Dexter Area Regional Team (CAPT/DART) Access Plan. (A complete copy of the resolution is available at the Lima Township Office.) Resolution declared adopted. Ayes: Havens, Bareis, Laier, and McKenzie. Nays: None. Absent: Unterbrink.

Resolution #2012-006 was offered by Havens, supported by Laier to withdraw from the New 198 Transit Authority in Washtenaw County. (A complete copy of the resolution is available at the Lima Township Office.) Resolution declared adopted. Ayes: Havens, Bareis, Laier, and McKenzie. Nays: None. Absent: Unterbrink.

Motion by Laier supported by Bareis that Lima Township approve the Application #2012-001 Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program, for entry into PA 116, for Duane C. Trinkle, Jr. and Alyssa L. Trinkle, subject to approval by the Washtenaw County Conservation District. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to accept the recommendation of the Ad-hoc Committee on Capital Improvement to accept the bid from Luick Construction, for basement demolition and removal work, based on the August 13, 2012 construction scope requirements, from the committee and work be started after the November 6, 2012 election. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier that Lima Township support adoption of the Western Washtenaw County Recycling Authority By-Laws and Restated Articles of Incorporation as soon as a revision date is applied and space for signatures is provided. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier, supported by McKenzie to pay the bills as submitted, and others as may be required. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator issued permits for three new homes, and two sign violations.

Motion by Laier supported by Havens to adjourn at 9:12 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk
 October 25, 2012

ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of DEXTER TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A GENERAL ELECTION

will be held in Dexter Township on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012

From 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The November 6, 2012 Election is being held for the purpose of electing candidates to the below listed federal, state, county, township and school positions:

- President and Vice-President of the United States
- United States Senator
- Representative in Congress, 7th District
- Representative in State Legislature, 52nd District
- Members of the State Board of Education
- Regents of the University of Michigan
- Trustees of Michigan State University
- Governors of Wayne State University
- Washtenaw County Prosecuting Attorney
- Washtenaw County Sheriff
- Washtenaw County Clerk / Register of Deeds
- Washtenaw County Treasurer
- Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner
- Washtenaw County Commissioner 1st District
- Dexter Township Supervisor
- Dexter Township Clerk
- Dexter Township Treasurer
- Dexter Township Trustees
- Justice of the Supreme Court
- Judge of Court of Appeals
- Judge of Circuit Court 22nd Circuit
- Judge of Washtenaw County Probate Court
- Judge of District Court 14th District
- Board Member, Chelsea School District (Precinct 2 voters only)
- Board Member, Dexter Community Schools (Precinct 1 voters and Precinct 3 voters in Dexter School district)
- Board Member, Pinckney Schools (Precinct 3 voters in Pinckney School District)
- Board of Trustees Member Washtenaw Community College

The November 6, 2012 Election is also being held for the purpose of voting on several state and local proposals as described below:

- Proposal 12-1 - A Referendum on Public Act 4 of 2011 - The Emergency Manager Law
- Proposal 12-2 - A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution Regarding Collective Bargaining
- Proposal 12-3 - A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution to Establish a Standard for Renewable Energy
- Proposal 12-4 - A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution to Establish the Michigan Quality Home Care Council and Provide Collective Bargaining for In-Home Care Workers
- Proposal 12-5 - A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution to Limit the Enactment of New Taxes by State Government
- Proposal 12-6 - A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution Regarding Construction of International Bridges and Tunnels
- A millage Proposal to Establish and Construct a Permanent Fire Substation in Dexter Township

Sample ballots complete with proposal language are available for review in the Clerk's office, or at the Township's web site www.twp-dexter.org

The list of candidates and proposals can also be found on Washtenaw County's web site http://www.washtenaw.org/government/clerk_register/elections/frontpage

If you have any questions regarding your voter's registration or the upcoming elections, please visit <https://webapps.sos.state.mi.us/mivote/>, or contact Harley B. Rider, Dexter Township Clerk, 734-426-3767, or email at clerk-dexter@twp-dexter.org or elections-dexter@twp-dexter.org

POLLING PLACES ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

- PRECINCT 1** - Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter
- PRECINCT 2** - Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority, 12088 N. Territorial Rd., Dexter
- PRECINCT 3** - Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter

The County Treasurer's Statement: (Published in compliance with MCLA 211.203(3), being part of Michigan Property Tax Limitation Act.

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of Tuesday, October 09, 2012, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Dexter Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, is as follows: Charter millage are not over and above the tax limitations, but are listed here for information purposes. The records in this Office may not yet include all updated tax levies for the current year.

	Purpose of Millage	Millage Amount	Expiration of Millage
Chelsea District Library	Operating	1.6321	12/2019
Chelsea School District	Sinking	0.9250	2016
	Operating Non-Home	16.6786	2013
	Headlee Non-Home	2.8340	2014
Dexter Community Schools	Operating Non-Home	17.3727	2013
	Operating Non-Home	2.6330	2013
Dexter District Library	Operating	0.6925	1/2017
	Operating	0.4361	Indefinite
Dexter Township	Police	1.4856	2013
	Allocated Operating	0.8088	Indefinite
	Fire	1.7000	2013
Livingston Educational Service Agency	Operating All	1.0124	Indefinite
	Operating - Home/Non-Home	0.0670	Indefinite
	Operating All	1.2567	Indefinite
Pinckney Community Schools	Non-Homestead	18.000	12/2014
Washtenaw Community College	Operating	1.0000	12/2020
	Operating	0.5838	Indefinite
	Operating	1.0354	Indefinite
	Operating	0.8384	12/2016
Washtenaw County	Parks	0.2409	12/2020
	Parks	0.2367	12/2019
	Operating	4.5493	Indefinite
	Veterans' Relief	0.0286	12/2012
	HCMCA	0.2146	Indefinite
	Act 88	0.0600	12/2012
	Parks	0.2353	12/2016
	EECS	0.2000	12/2015
Washtenaw Intermediate School Dist	Special Ed Operating	0.9850	12/2017
	Gen Ed Operating	0.0984	Indefinite
	Special Ed Operating	2.8911	Indefinite

Dated: Tuesday, October 09, 2012
 Catherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer

Published in compliance with MCL 168.653(a) of Michigan Election Law.

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Bulldogs fall in soccer district semifinal

By Adam Boulton
Special Writer

Just like all season, there was no quit in the Chelsea boys' soccer team in their Division 2 district semifinal matchup Wednesday against South Lyon East.

The Bulldogs were competitive throughout in their district contest, but ultimately saw their season come to an end in a 1-0 loss.

Despite finishing short of a district title shot, Chelsea (12-8-2) enjoyed one of the best seasons it has had in several years.

"This is my fourth year with the program, so I've had them all four years," Chelsea coach Shawn Hayes said of his senior group.

"Obviously, I've spent a lot of time with them throughout their four years of high school. They've been the most dedicated group of players that I've ever had. They've meant a lot to me and the program and they've really built our program to the level that we were at this year. It's the first year in the last seven or eight years that we've had a winning record."

The Bulldogs started off slow on Wednesday, not helped by the wind being at South Lyon's back to start the game.

"It seemed like some of the guys were a little bit off, a little sluggish to start the game," Hayes said. "The play was a little slow,

especially in the first half."

Chelsea goalkeeper Michael Beneteau made several terrific saves in front of the goal for the Bulldogs, both in the first and second half. That combined with the Chelsea defense kept the score knotted at zero at halftime. Early in the second half, South Lyon East received a golden opportunity early in the second half and capitalized.

Chelsea was called for a foul inside the box and South Lyon East was rewarded with a penalty kick. The PK was taken by South Lyon goalkeeper Travis Hamers, who easily beat Beneteau for a goal seven minutes into the second half.

"It's a judgment call by the

official and I don't agree with it, but I don't have to agree with it," Hayes said. "The official makes the final call at the end of the day and we all have to live with it. Unfortunately that was the deciding goal of the game. At the end of the day, we had a lot of opportunities, but we weren't able to convert on those and we have to be able to take care of business on our end as well."

Chelsea junior Ryan Hilbert was especially strong up front in the second half and had several good chances at scoring a tally for the Bulldogs, but wasn't able to get the ball past Hamers, who was steady in goal for South Lyon.

The contest between Chelsea and South Lyon East was physical throughout. Multiple yellow cards were handed out, with each side receiving them.

Despite the disappointment of a loss and the conclusion of a season, there's no heads hung about the success Chelsea had on the soccer field in 2012.

"It was a great season and good year. We won a tournament and placed high in another one and we were hoping to match up against Dexter on Saturday," Hayes said. "It's been a good year and it was an unfortunate loss for the guys and that's just the way it goes."

JV Dawgs spike Dreads



The Chelsea JV volleyball defeated Dexter last week 25-8, 21-25, 25-12. "This win was so much fun for the girls," said coach Sue Jacobs. Strong servers for the evening were Kristen Newman, Kylie Frank, Emma Hess, Nikki Atchley and Sam Jabara. Strong hitting was also a factor in the win. Sam Jabara recorded 8 kills, Emma Hess recorded 6 kills and Meredith Katz recorded 4 kills.

JV gridgers drop season finale

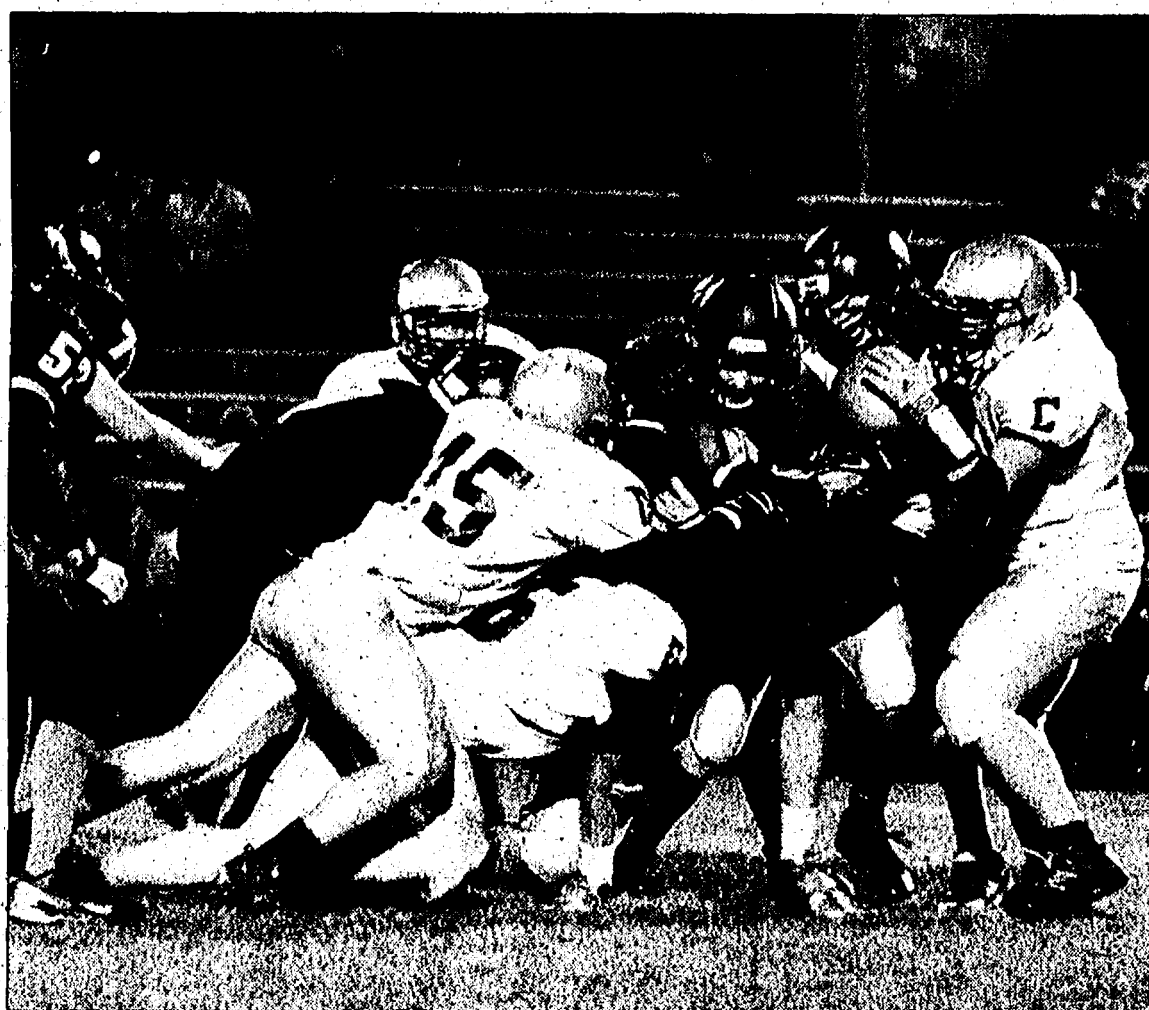
The Chelsea JV football team ended its season with a tough road loss to Haslett, 18-14. With the loss, the Bulldogs finished 5-4 on the year with an SEC White Championship to their credit.

"When people see a record of 5-4, they might be inclined to think that our season was average," said Chelsea coach Chris Orlando. "I can say without a doubt that this season was anything but average. After an 0-3 start in which we scored one TD, we rattled off five wins and were a heart-beat away from another."

"Our defense was outstanding throughout most of the year and the strides we made on offense were nothing short of remarkable. Most importantly, I think we got this crew of players ready to play varsity football and we had a memorable experience. Congrats to all the players and thanks to all for the support."

After a see-saw start, Haslett opened the scoring with 22 seconds left in the first quarter on a 39-yard run. Chelsea stopped the point after and the quarter ended with the Vikings leading 6-0. The Bulldogs had their ground game in full gear for this game, amassing over 200 yards rushing but costly turnovers stopped several promising drives early on.

The Vikings scored again midway through the second quarter on a 9-yard run to take a 12-0. Chelsea took the



The Chelsea JV defense shows the benefits of team unity on this play against Haslett.

kickoff and marched inside the Haslett red zone but the drive ended on an interception at the goal line.

The Bulldog defense held the Vikings and forced a punt with time running out in the half. Return man Kenny McDowell took the punt and cut in and out of would-be tacklers, scampering 50 yards for the score. Chelsea running back Ty Nelson converted the two-point conversion and

the first half ended with Chelsea down 12-8.

The Bulldogs drove down the field to start the second half opening big holes for the running backs. McDowell capped a long drive with his second score on a 9 yard run putting Chelsea on top 14-12. Haslett didn't allow the Bulldogs to celebrate their lead long as they scored quickly on the following possession on a 68 yard

pass play, pushing the score to 18-14. It would be the last score of the day for the home team as the Dawg defense shut down the Vikings the rest of the way.

Chelsea was able to mount several drives throughout the fourth quarter but turnovers kept the Bulldogs from cashing in. They were able to put together one last drive late in the game after a defensive stop but Nelson had a

The Chelsea volleyball team pulled a Dexter on Thursday.

In the Chelsea-Dexter match on Tuesday, the Bulldogs built a 2-0 lead before falling to the Dreads in five games. On Thursday, Chelsea fell behind 2-0 to Ann Arbor Skyline before rallying for a win in five games.

"It was great to see the girls come back, even being down in the third set to win in five," Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland said. "They stayed positive and felt like they would be able to come back. They were down 7-2 in the fifth and Shianne Butler went on a great serving run that helped us even the score and lifted the team to be able to finish out the match in winning fashion."

Chelsea lost the first two games 25-18, 25-20. They then won the next three: 25-23, 25-20 and 15-10.

Butler had a monster game with 19 kills and 19

digs. Bailey Darwin had 13 kills, Rylee Rosentreter had 34 digs and Mary Kelleher served up 48 assists.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs went 2-2 at the Coldwater Invitational, falling to Onsted in the quarterfinals of the gold bracket.

"The performance was lackluster and not characteristic of our serving performances and attacking performances previously," Cleveland said. "We could have played much better and look to improve on our focus and execution this week in our last SEC match and last tournament."

Chelsea beat Bronson 25-17, 25-20 and split with Concord (10-25, 25-23). They crushed Albion (25-12, 25-6) before falling to Onsted (18-25, 20-25).

Butler had 20 kills and 19 digs; Rosentreter had 14 kills and 30 digs; Darwin had 9 kills and 25 digs; Riley Singleton had nine kills and Kelleher had 66 assists.

long run the Haslett 2 yard line called back on a penalty, and a fourth and goal pass from the 10 yard line was tipped in the end zone.

The Bulldog offense was led by running back Ty Nelson with 122 yards on 26 carries. Kenny McDowell added 47 yards and Jeremy Policht contributed 33 yards. The offense had 15 first downs and only punted 3 times.

The Bulldogs had another strong defensive

effort. The charge was led by Tim Johnson, Mason Bailey, Colin Steinhauer, Jacob Dobberstein and Grant Ortbirg who each recorded 9 or more tackles. Jacob Rhodes, Scott Moore, Kolten Savery, Garrett Farmer, and Ben Whitesall each had five more stops. Also chipping in were Dustin Beckett, Ryan O'Quinn, Zac Trester and Ryan Easley. Bailey also had a fumble recovery.

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whole offense has embraced in doing the little things right. Obviously, he's a very good back, but we have a lot of guys out there making things happen."

Alex Bielecki added 51 yards on the ground and Colton Platt rushed for 33 yards for Chelsea. Zach Rabbitt converted all four extra points and recovered a fumble for the Bulldogs.

The Michigan high school football playoffs officially start on Oct. 26, but for Chelsea, the post-season may have started weeks ago.

"Honestly, everyone has said that, but we never talked about it," Bush

said. "We just weren't playing good football and we played three real good teams and they were all very good playoff teams. We found out after those three (losses) what we had to do to get better and to that kids' credit, they've done it."

In reflection of the regular season overall, Bush realized how unfamiliar his team was in after starting 0-3 and how unsurprised he was that his squad didn't fold.

"We'd never been there. I've been the head coach for 16 years," he said. "Sixteen years ago we started out like that, but since then, we've never been there. We evaluated everything. Coaching, playing how we practiced. We just got back to doing what we do."



Photos by Burrill Strong

Chelsea's Zach Rabbitt (above) and Michael Mesko (right) celebrate another victory and another trip to the state playoffs after knocking off Haslett on Friday.



Perfect ending

Freshmen football team finishes season at 9-0

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Media

The Chelsea freshmen football team finished their season 9-0 with a victory at Haslett Thursday night. Chelsea led 13-0 at the half. Jacob Somodi had a 12-yard touchdown run behind great blocking from Graham Kuras and Evan Hasley. Noah van Reese made a 20 yard TD from Justice Staton.

The Chelsea defense was dominant in the first half. Quinn Kelly and Leland Allison made numerous big plays for the defense.

After Haslett scored on their initial drive of the second half, Chelsea drove 80 yards for a touchdown. The drive ended with a one yard QB sneak from Staton.

Chelsea got the final points of the game with a 21 yard field goal from Van Reese early in the fourth quarter. Staton threw for 150 yards with completions to Van Reese, Kuras, JJ Duncan, Trevor Kingsley and Jacob Somodi. Jacob Grob led the ball carriers with 101 yards on 15 carries.

Allison and Zach Bennett led Chelsea with eight tackles apiece. Kelly had six tackles and two QB sacks to lead the defensive line. Ryan Stasiak and Michael Rock each had an interception for the Bulldogs.

"This game, like the whole season, was a total team effort," said Chelsea coach Dennis Strzyzewski. "The kids played hard in all three phases of the game. For us to be able to play 40 plus players in each game and go 9-0, that says a lot about these kids. They trust each other and pull for each other. It is great to see."

Coach French, Coach Brown, and Coach Catalina did an awesome job of getting our kids ready to play each week, and the players showed great focus every game. I can't wait to watch these guys compete on Friday nights. I think they can do something special."

Pioneer, Huron try 'healing' after brawl

By Randy Castro
Heritage Media

Nearly two weeks removed from the post-game brawl between the Huron and Pioneer football team, the healing has begun.

Both Pioneer head coach Paul Test and Huron head coach Cory Gildersleeve have met with the teams and have issued apologies. The altercation resulted in the suspensions of members of both Huron's and Pioneer's coaching staffs as well as a handful of players on both sides.

That doesn't mean there wasn't a valuable lesson to be learned or that there aren't differences in opinion regarding how the situation was handled on Oct. 12. Members of the Pioneer community sounded off about the altercation over the weekend, after the Pioneers qualified for the postseason with a 31-17 win at Livonia Franklin.

Dan Reed, father of senior DE/LB Chad Reed, said what happened at Huron impacted Pioneer's approach to the game.

"I think they all thought about it tonight," Dan Reed said. "They're role models to a point, they've got to conduct themselves in a certain way when in those situations."

"Now it is football, and the nature of the game is

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violence and aggression... that's the nature of the game. But there's a sportsmanship aspect to it, too."

Reed said that he was on the way down from the bleachers when the altercation took place. By the time he was able to spot Chad, he said he was relieved to see his son distanced from the melee.

Reed said—though many of the coaches involved have taken ownership for their roles in the altercation—all the blame shouldn't be aimed at those with clipboards and headsets.

"I just wish more parents would take on the responsibility of giving the kids the basic foundation that they've got to have before they come out here and get into these situations," he said. "You can't always count on the coaches... it's just like teachers in the classroom."

"It's not all the teachers' responsibility. It's the parents' responsibility before all that."

While the suspensions meant an early end to the playing careers any Huron seniors involved in the brawl, Pioneer players could potentially return as part of the team's playoff runs.

William Copeland, older brother and guard-

ian of Pioneer running back Marquise Thomas, disagrees with the punishment.

"I'm not a big fan of suspending the players," Copeland said. "Your last game in your senior year is something you can never get back, and that only makes kids bitter."

"The lesson becomes 'don't get caught next time,' not 'I need to make better decisions.'"

In lieu of the suspensions, Copeland suggested there are potential—and perhaps more beneficial—methods of disciplinary action.

"If you wanted to punish them, I think eight mandatory Saturdays of fundraising [or] community service activities....

would suffice," he said. "Not only would it teach them a lesson in leadership and being thankful and aware for your privileged situations, it would also help others in need."

As the Pioneer football team prepares for its playoff game against Monroe Friday night, Athletic Director Eve Claar declined to comment on the statuses of the coaches and the suspended players.

Though Claar noted that she has not received any complaints regarding how the situation following the altercation has been handled.

"The parents have been very understanding with me," Claar said. "I haven't had any issue."

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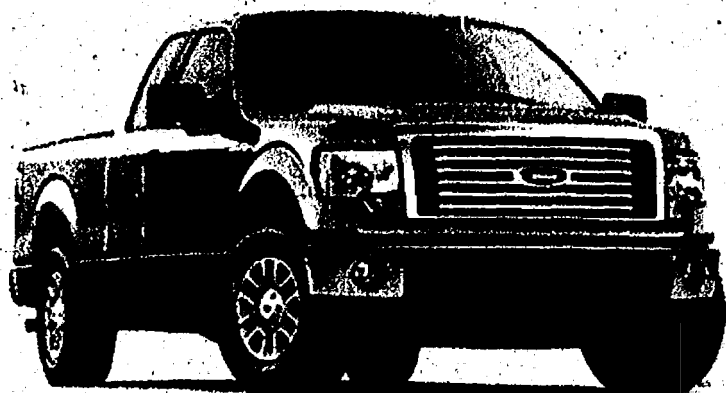
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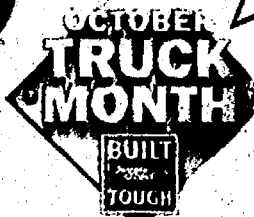
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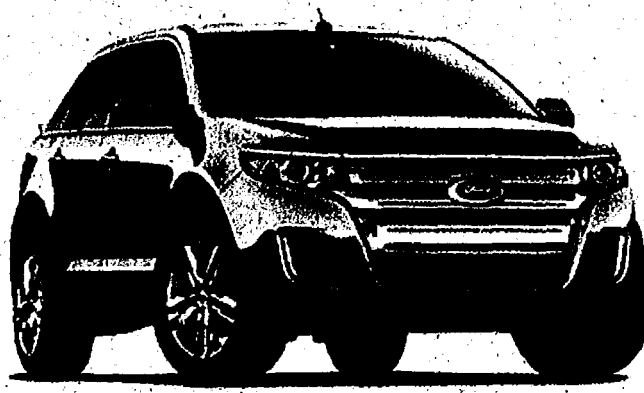
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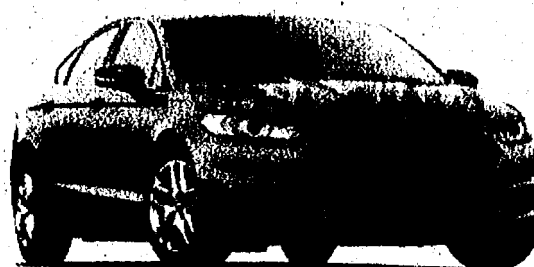
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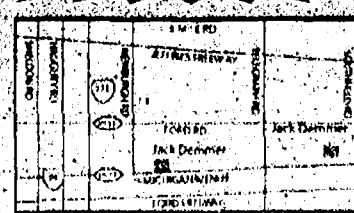
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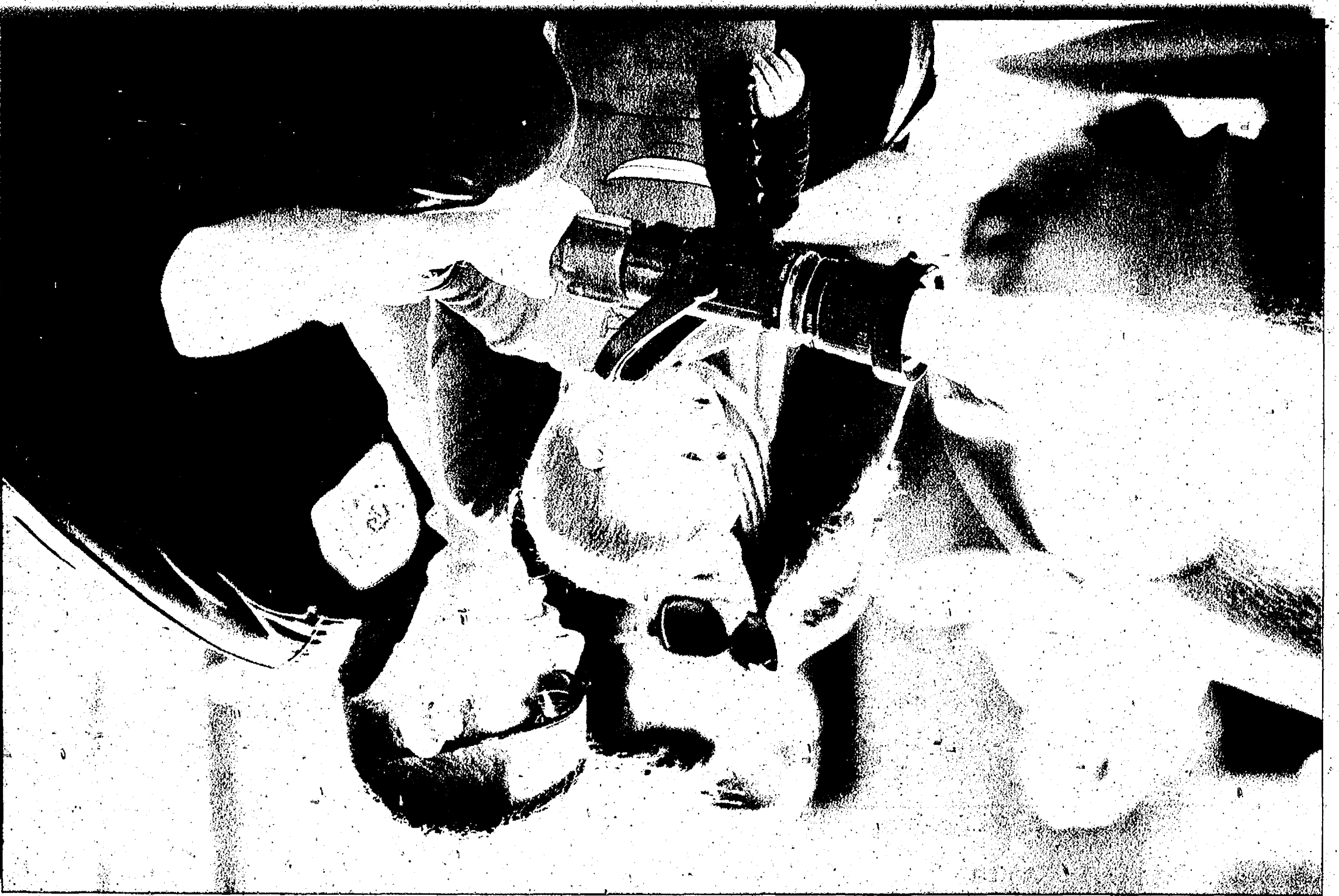
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John Hayes, just 18 months, may be young but he still enjoyed a turn using the fire hose from Firefighter Bill Regnier.

All Fired up



Kids have a blast during open house

The Chelsea Area Fire Authority hosted an open house Sunday afternoon to show off renovations. Members of the public were invited to come and tour the facility. Children were able to use the fire hose, get their faces painted and jump around in a bouncy house.



Maggie Baldwin, 6, cuts a car with the help of Firefighter Cotton White.

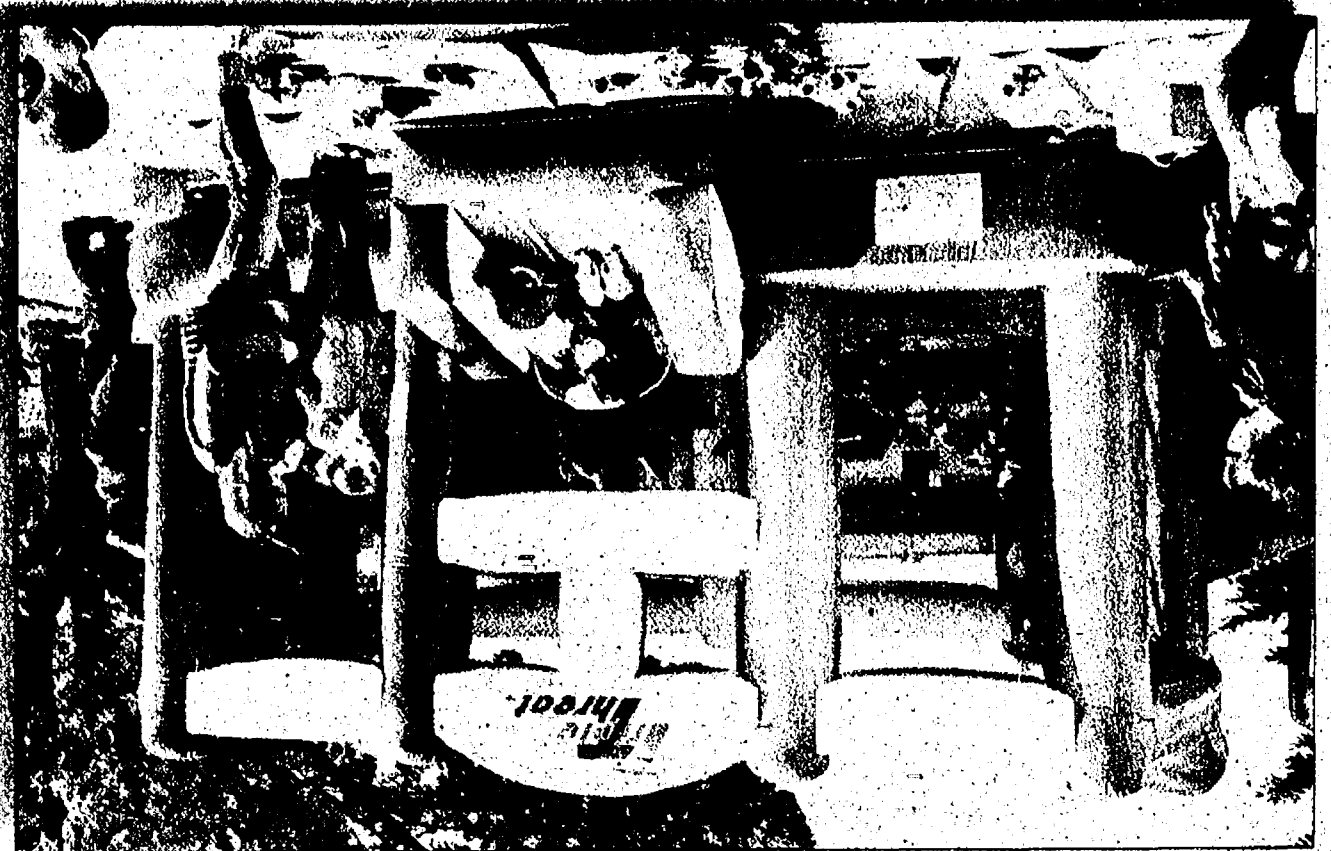


Isabella Cubberly, 5, who already had her face painted, gets a lesson in using the fire hose from Firefighter Bill Regnier.



Ian O'Brien, 3, is all smiles while watching the remote-control Huron Valley Ambulance.

Photos by Burrill Strong



The bouncy house was a popular spot for kids attending Sunday's open house.

ENTERTAINMENT

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Thursday, October 26, 2012

A2CT Junior Theatre presents 'Stuart Little' Nov. 8-11

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre's Junior Theatre will present "Stuart Little," based on the classic children's book by E.B. White, adapted by Joseph Robinette and directed by Ariel Jones.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 8 through 10 and at 1 p.m. Nov. 10 and 11 at Washtenaw Community College's College Theater.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students, children and seniors.

Tickets are available by calling 971-2228 or by visiting the A2CT office; tickets are also available at the door of WCC's College Theater before each performance.

Stuart Little tells the story of a young boy named Stuart who, while born into a regular family of humans, looks curiously just like a mouse.

His parents immediately accept him for who he is, but Stuart longs to see the world outside the comfort and safety of his home. At the wheel of his pint-sized roadster, Stuart sets off to see the world and encounters adventures and friends along the way.

"Stuart Little was one of my favorite books as a kid," said Jones.

"The characters are wonderful, the adventures are exciting, and the idea that a little guy takes on the big world is timeless. I couldn't have a better cast than these 18 young actors who



"I couldn't have a better cast than these 18 young actors who bring the story to life," says Ariel Jones, director of the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre's upcoming production of "Stuart Little."

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The Stuart Little ensemble features Cole Pelton as Stuart Little, Aidan Brown Danovi as Mr. Little, Emily

Howard as Mrs. Little, Tripp Apley as Stuart's brother George, Lucie Roy as the family cat Snowbell, and Alais Murillo as Stuart's

feathered friend Margello. Playing multiple roles are Madison Burk, Mary Collins, Thalia Epps, Drew Flattery, Isabella Givian,

Janey Heckendorn, Rachel Howell, Henry Kiley, Ariel Stasser-Gonzalez, Regi Strasser-Gonzalez and Zachary Weissman.

The production is suitable for children ages 4 and older.

More information is available at www.a2ct.org.

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre hosts auditions for two shows

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre will host auditions for two upcoming productions: the open vocal competition called "Civic Open '12," directed by Matthew Steward, and "Bedroom Farce," a comedy directed by Paul Bianchi.

Auditions for "Civic Open '12" take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Nov. 9 and from 4 to 6 p.m. Nov. 10.

Singers need attend only one of the two regular audition dates and may show up at any time during either audition period. They may also call Ann Arbor Civic Theatre to reserve a time

slot.

Civic Open is vocal competition for musical theater-style performers ages 18 and older.

The six best women and the six best men, plus up to three duos from auditions, will be invited to perform a full song — in front of local celebrity judges and a live audience — at the final competition taking place at the nightclub The Last Word, in downtown Ann Arbor.

This year, a duo category has been added. The two performers may be of either gender.

The first and second-place winners at the final competition will receive cash prizes and a chance to perform on a local radio program.

Those auditioning must be 18 years or older and must prepare a musical theater song to be sung using a backing track.

Those auditioning may bring their own MP3, CD or CDG, or they may visit a2ct.org for selections from the theater's inventory. The Civic Open final competition will take place Dec. 1 at the The Last Word.

Auditions for Bedroom Farce take place at 2 p.m. Nov. 11 and at 7 p.m. Nov. 12. Callbacks are set for 7 p.m. Nov. 13.

Those auditioning need attend only one of the regular auditions but should be available for callbacks.

All auditions take place at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre Rehearsal Studio, 322 W. Ann St., in Ann

Arbor.

Additional information is available at www.a2ct.org or by calling 971-2228.

"Bedroom Farce" by Alan Ayckbourn is set in London in the seventies. Two generations mesh, mingle and co-mingle as they attempt to sort out their relationships at the dawning of the sexual revolution.

There are roles for four men and four women ages 20 through 80. Auditions consist of cold readings from the script.

There will be no rehearsals Nov. 21 through 24 and minimal rehearsals Dec. 21 through Jan. 1. Production dates are Jan. 24 through 27, 2013.

For more information, visit the audition page

of the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre website at www.a2ct.org or call the theater office at 971-2228.

WCC Band Halloween concert to be held Oct. 30

Washtenaw Community Concert Band will perform a concert with the theme "A Halloween Treat" 7:30 p.m. Oct. 30 at Washtenaw Community College.

Conductor Chris Heidenreich and band members will appear in costume as the 70-piece concert band opens its 35th season with a fall family concert.

The band will perform selections of the season including Grice's

"Haunted Carnival," Williams' "Chillers and Thrillers," Grieg's "In the Hall of the Mountain King," Whitacre's "Ghost Train" and Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Selections from The Phantom of the Opera," among others.

Children of all ages are invited to join in the parade of costumes, with prizes for best costume.

A reception with refreshments will follow the concert.

The concert and reception are free and open to the public and will be held in the Towsley Auditorium, Morris Lawrence Building, WCC, 4800 E. Huron River Drive, in Ann Arbor.

For more information, call 252-9221 or visit www.wccband.org.

ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Thursday, Oct. 25

■ "Superior Donuts" 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, 3 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday: Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St. Visit purplerosetheatre.org or call 433-7673.

Friday, Oct. 26

■ Movies at the Center. 12:30 p.m. Friday: Chelsea Senior Center, 512 Washington St. Free, but donations accepted. 475-9242. ■ Community Drum Jam. 8 p.m. Friday: Tree of Life, 6065 Sibley Road. Free. 433-0697.

Saturday, Oct. 27

■ Dedication of Squiers Preserve. 11 a.m. Saturday, followed by lunch at 12:30 p.m. walks and open house 2 to 4 p.m. 1280 Sylvan Road. 475-3408. ■ Chelsea Farmers Market. 8 a.m. to noon: Park Street, downtown Chelsea. 475-6402. ■ Chelsea Chess Club. 3 p.m. Saturday: Wendy's, 1640 Commerce Park. Free. 475-1583. ■ Miss Washtenaw County Pageant

7 p.m. Saturday: Chelsea High School, 740 N. Freer Road. \$20 (ages 6 through 12, \$5). 475-2734.

Sunday, Oct. 28

■ Sandhill Crane Tour. 2 p.m. Sunday: Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road. \$2 (families \$5). Space limited, but preregistration required. \$10 annual vehicle entrance fee. 475-3170.

Monday, Oct. 29

■ Orchestra Halloween Concert. 7 p.m. Monday: Chelsea High School, 740 N. Freer Road. Free. 475-4524.

DEXTER

Friday, Oct. 26

■ "Evil Dead: The Musical": Dexter Community Players. 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 7 p.m. Sunday: Copeland Auditorium, 7714 Ann Arbor St. Tickets \$15 in advance at dextercommunityplayers.org. 726-0355. ■ Art Show: "Lee's Lines". 5 to 8 p.m. Friday: Artística Gallery, 3203 Broad St. Free. 426-1500.

Saturday, Oct. 27

■ Draw Doubles: Disc

Golf Club. Noon Saturday: Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North Territorial Road. \$7 per player, but free for spectators. \$5 vehicle fee. 449-4300.

■ Kinderconcert: Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra. 10 a.m. Saturday: Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St. Free. 426-4477.

Sunday, Oct. 28

■ Art on the Farm. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday: 12075 Island Lake Road. Free admission. 424-4822. ■ Bone Chiller Regatta: U of M Sailing Club. 10:30 a.m. Sunday: Baseline Lake, 8010 Strawberry Lake Road. Free. 426-4299. ■ Edible and Medicinal Plant Walk. 2 p.m. Sunday: Scio Woods Preserve, Scio Church Road west of Wagner. Free. 971-6337, ext. 334.

SALINE

Thursday, Oct. 25

■ Fall Migration: Nichols Arboretum. Washtenaw Audubon Society. 8 to 11 a.m. Thursday: meet in the cul-de-sac at the end of Riverview (off Geddes near the east end of Dow Field), Ann Arbor. Free. 677-3275.

■ New Horizons Band. 7 p.m. Tuesday and 1 p.m. Thursday: Liberty School band room, 7265 Saline-Ann Arbor Road. Free. 429-1742.

■ Coleman's Corn Maze. 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6 to 10 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday: Coleman's Farm, 12758 Jordan Road. \$10 (ages 5 through 10, \$5; ages 4 and younger, free). 429-1212.

Friday, Oct. 26

■ Corn Maze: Talladay Farms. 6 to 10 p.m. Friday, 1 to 10 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday: 6270 Judd Road. \$6 per maze (\$10 for both). talladayfarms.com 645-1791. ■ "Steel Magnolias": Saline Area Players. 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday: Liberty School, 7265 N. Ann Arbor St. \$15 (students, seniors, \$12). salineareaplayers.org.

Saturday, Oct. 27

■ Fiber Expo. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday: Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. \$4 (\$6 for both days); age 11 and younger, free. 546-0032.

■ Texas Hold 'Em. 5 p.m. Saturday: American Legion, 320 W. Michigan Ave., Saline. 429-7310.

■ Concert: Saline Fiddlers. 7 p.m. Saturday: Saline High School, 1300 Campus Parkway. \$10 to \$20. 866-257-5333.

Monday, Oct. 29

■ Halloween Party. 6 p.m. Monday: American Legion Hall, 320 W. Michigan Ave. Free. 429-7310.

Wednesday, Oct. 31

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

YPSILANTI

Thursday, Oct. 25

■ "Woyzeck": New Theatre Project. 8 and 9:30 p.m. Thursday through Sunday: Mix Performance Space, 130 W. Michigan Ave. \$15 in advance at thenewtheatreproject.org and at the door. 645-9776.

Friday, Oct. 26

■ "Night Terrors". 7:15 to 11:30 p.m. Friday

and Saturday, and 7:15 to 10:30 p.m. Sunday: Wiard's Orchards, 5565 Merritt Road. \$17/one area, \$38/all. 390-9208.

■ "The Merchant of Venice". 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday: EMU Quirk Theater, Ford St. \$15 (students, \$12; ages 12 and younger, \$7). 487-1221.

■ Halloween Concert: EMU Symphony Orchestra. 7:30 p.m. Friday: Pease Auditorium, EMU campus, West Cross at College Place. \$10 in advance and (if available) at the door. 487-1221.

Saturday, Oct. 27

■ Country Fair. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: Wiard's Orchards, 5565 Merritt Road, Ypsilanti. \$13.50 (younger than age 2 admitted for free; group rates available). 390-9211.

■ Pastel Artist Demonstration: Ann Arbor Women Artists. 3 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday: Riverside Art Gallery, 76 N. Huron St. Free. 996-2551.

■ "Nightmare On Norris Street". 8 p.m. Saturday: Corner Brewery, 720 Norris St. Free admission. 480-2739.

'Looper' dazzles at the technical level, delivers fun

Maybe this is what it was like watching "Blade Runner" for the first time. Or "Brazil." "Solaris," even.

These are science-fiction films buzzing with originality, with ideas jam-packed from the first frame to last; with visual flourishes that professors still swoon over when they dissect them, shot-by-shot, 30 to 40 years after their release.

They endure. They enthrall. And they inspire new filmmakers to go out and contribute their own insights to the medium, all the darn time, even to this day.

As the lights came up once "Looper" concludes, I guarantee you two or three major future cinematic voices were born.

It is not every film that inspires such assurance, but then again, what films are made with such assurance?

Written and directed by Rian Johnson, "Looper" has the sort of

impeccable construction demonstrated only by works under effortless control of their creator.

Indeed, with a brash (and very, very literal) shotgun blast to the face opening the film, Johnson announces his plans to get in your head and stays there. "Looper" accomplishes this even if you discard the knotty plot mechanics.

Indeed, even approaching it from a moral perspective, there's enough to ponder for weeks — these characters, who we are intended to root for, are drug-addled killers who will sell out their best friend or even murder children to see their dreams fulfilled.

"Looper" identifies the moral grey area Hollywood strives to avoid, and then bathes in it for two hours.

Suppose I tell you the story now. Suppose in 2044, time travel is

invented, outlawed, and used only by the Mafia to send bodies from the future to be disposed of. Suppose the people who take out these bits of dirty laundry are called "loopers," if only for the special clause in their high-paying contracts that one day, one of their targets will be themselves.

This is called "closing the loop" and sets the stage for the film's central conflict — physically speaking, at least.

Twenty-something Joe is one of these loopers, a streetwise Francophile whose wealth is growing alongside his drug habit.

One day, he realizes that a man zapped into his gunsights is — well — him. Him with 30 years of added miles, but still him.

To reveal where the film's second and third acts take this premise, is to spoil one of the great joys of the year, namely, the complete unpredictability of this thing.

Props to Sony's marketing for doing what few companies seem to do: keep the good stuff secret.

But this isn't an Abrams-esque, mystery-

shrouded film with hints and secrets that only sporadically pay off. Indeed, much of "Looper" is pleasure comes from simply seeing familiar elements contorted to Rian Johnson's unique vision.

The characters dress and speak in a sort of old-timey, folksy vernacular that still comes off crisp and cool, and the weapons are called "freaking blunderbusses."

Heck, the last half of the film takes place on a farm. (Have I spoken too much?)

Johnson the writer meets Johnson the director at a sort of unspoken sweet spot, with characters subtly revealing their own neuroses and motivations as much through sharp lines as they do with glances and beats — even the way they hold their gun.

These subtle touches balance Johnson's bombastic tendencies nicely, and, in fact, he demonstrates an exceptional eye for action here. He has an aesthetic confidence that's totally unheard-of for filmmakers merely on their third film, with inventive camera moves and edit-

ing sleights-of-hand that wouldn't be out of place in a coked-out Scorsese montage.

The best visual effects of "Looper" is its futuristic Kansas City landscape are, in fact, Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Bruce Willis.

These two actors, wholly dissimilar in style and followings, come together to play one man and the results are out of this world.

Gordon-Levitt, with hours of prosthetics and a totally altered physical language, nails younger Bruce Willis better than... well... younger Bruce Willis. It's a phenomenal performance from an actor who, these days, has very literally cranked out great work on a monthly basis.

Willis, too, seems as energized as he's ever been, perhaps supplementing remarks in recent remarks that "Looper" is the best film he's ever been in. In a filmography with the likes of "Die Hard," "Twelve Monkeys," "Pulp Fiction" and "Beavis and Butthead Do America," these words loom large. Perhaps, as time could tell, they'll

prove to be true ones.

"Looper," like all the best science-fiction films, uses imaginary conceits to ask very fundamental, very essential questions.

Older Joe and his younger counterpart have enough dissonance to stand apart, yet are united by one trait: their fundamental selfishness.

Watching how these arcs (or "arc," plural/singular tenses confuse me when there's two of one character) resolve themselves is unexpected and profound, and when the ending hits, it's completely satisfying yet leaves you an open wound.

You'll see what I mean. This is a film where, very simply, all is as it should be; a marvel of structure on every level: technical, thematic, and surprisingly, emotional.

But really? This movie is just fun.

My grade: A.

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MOVIE REVIEW



RYAN MICHAELS

'The Sessions' makes case for Oscar

By Karen D'Souza
Journal Register News Service

You may never forget the time you spend with "The Sessions."

This is a breathtakingly understated film, so tender and genuine in its exploration of disability, mortality and intimacy that you scarcely notice how deftly it breaks your heart.

Based on the true story of Mark O'Brien, a Berkeley paraplegic who spent most of his life lying flat on his back inside an iron lung that breathed for him, "The Sessions" is startlingly uplifting as well as shattering in its poignancy. At 38, O'Brien fears he will die before he loses his virginity and he embarks upon a quest with a sexual therapist, unsure of whether or not he is capable of intimate activity.

O'Brien's journey was also portrayed in the 1996 Oscar-winning documentary "Breathing Lessons" and writer/director Ben Lewin wisely frames the story with a brutal sense of honesty. Candor marks this movie from start to finish but John Hawkes detailed performance in particular radiates frankness. He conveys an odyssey of emotions through the use of his face alone.

Immobilized from the neck down after being stricken with polio at the age of six, O'Brien narrates the tale of his awakening through voice-overs that are as wry as they are shattering. A poet and a writer, the Berkeley man prized himself on maintaining his sense of humor and his jocular relationship with his mildly scandalized priest (the estimable William H. Macy) is one of the movie's cornerstones.

In an age when Hollywood usually traffics in the mawkish and the trite, the 65-year-old filmmaker opts for a spare, disciplined, unsentimental approach to the story that makes it all the more bittersweet. O'Brien rarely indulges in self pity, preferring to face almost insurmountable obstacles with equal measures of grit and wit.

Helen Hunt, who can sometimes upstage a narrative with her brassy personality, takes a softer tact here. She exudes warmth and caring in the film's revealing sex scenes which offer a refreshingly unalicious look at sexuality.

Hunt sheds all of her clothes here but the nudity seems key to the story. The actress bravely captures the way a sex surrogate may well approach her job with

'The Sessions'

3 1/2 stars
Opens: Nov. 2
Rating: R (for strong sexuality including graphic nudity and frank dialogue)

Cast: Helen Hunt, John Hawkes and William H. Macy

Director: Ben Lewin
Running time: 1 hour, 35 minutes

an utter lack of fussiness and self-consciousness.

The mixture of awkwardness and empathy that suffuses every aspect of "The Sessions" is what

gives the film its intense emotional edge. At a time when we are accustomed to airbrushed bodies and cookie cutter soap opera seduction, the honesty of this movie stands out.

The actors are as naked emotionally as they are physically. The frisson of awkwardness that laces their encounters is delicious. It's so intimate you want to look away but you just can't stop watching.

The ensemble is rounded out by Moon Bloodgood's ("Falling Skies") sparkling turn as O'Brien's caretaker and Macy proves himself to be a master of the Catholic priest suddenly called on for sex advice.

Of course Hawkes' performance is at the core of the film's impact. Always an intelligent actor ("Winter's Bone," "Deadwood") Hawkes convey a panorama of emotions solely through the use of his face. He nails O'Brien's wit and whimsy as well as the darkness that shadowed him. This is the caliber of performance that screams Oscar.

Although the movie is quite brief, we get a real sense of the kind of man O'Brien was. It seems trite to say that his story is as inspirational as it is tragic but that's the truth of the matter. You can't walk away from the picture without feeling lucky to be alive.

Most importantly, the movie is uplifting without being the least bit formulaic. The filmmaker, himself a polio survivor, is not interested in cliché observations about disability. You never feel like the issues facing O'Brien have been dumbed down for mass consumption or that your emotions are being manipulated. You just feel for O'Brien.

Indeed, it's only once the final credits are rolling do you notice that you have been holding your breath for 95 minutes.

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Sprint's HTC EVO 4G LTE is another impressive smartphone offering in the EVO line

With a couple big name phones from Samsung and Apple currently hogging all the media spotlight, it's easy to forget that there are other players in the smartphone business that are also making pretty impressive products, too.

HTC has never had huge sales numbers in terms of the overall market, but their phones—especially their long-standing EVO line for Sprint—are very good machines that can hold their own with the best of their competitors.

I recently tested out the latest EVO phone—Sprint's HTC EVO 4G LTE—and I'm back with a full report.

LOOKS

Keeping with the trend of recent phones, the HTC EVO 4G LTE is big. It's not Galaxy Note or LG Intuition big, but it's got a 4.7 inch screen—putting it in a class with the Galaxy S3 from Samsung and towering in size over the 4-inch iPhone 5.

I found it to still be small enough that I could hold it comfortably in one hand, but texting will take both hands. I like this size, and the sales numbers on this category of phones prove that millions of others do too. Once you get toward 5 inches and up, it's too much for me. But 4.7 is just fine. Overall dimensions on the phone are 5.3 inches tall, 2.7 inches wide and a measly 0.35 thick (or more accurately, 0.35 inches thin). So it's big, but it's light at just 4.7 ounces.

Overall, the materials are sturdy and don't feel cheap.

KICKSTAND

One very nice feature on the newest EVO is the return of the kickstand. This allows you to prop the phone up and view media, something that's hard to do on most phones. The kickstand is even a stylish red color.

This might seem insignificant to some folks, but if you watch videos or movies on your phone, the kickstand is a very convenient feature to have, and you won't find anything like it on most phones.

BATTERY NOT REMOVABLE

One thing that is annoying about this phone is that the battery and SIM card are not removable. Only the top half of the backplate opens up, so you can upgrade your storage via microSD card. But the bottom half with battery and SIM card are not removable. This is a trend in phones I don't like, and I wish HTC hadn't gone this route.

DISPLAY

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TECH TIME REVIEW



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the HTC EVO 4G LTE. You'll get an HD 720p Super LCD screen, and the 4.7 inch size of the screen makes it ideal for viewing games, video and movies. The screen is also very responsive

to the touch.

PROCESSOR

You'll need some power under the hood to be considered a great smartphone these days. And with its 1.5GHz dual-core processor, the EVO 4G LTE is up to the challenge. It was great at multitasking, and at no time did I use the word slow to describe what was happening on the phone. That's a good sign.

MEMORY

You'll get 16GB of storage on the phone, with the option to upgrade to 32GB if you like via microSD, but 16GB should be plenty for most people. There is 1 GB of RAM, the norm for most top smartphones.

OPERATING SYSTEM

All the EVO phones fall under the Android banner. This particular phone runs Android 4.0 (aka Ice Cream Sandwich). There are some nice upgrades here from previous versions of the system, it's very easy to learn the system and customize your screens, you get great Google integration, and the overall experience of using this phone is very seamless

and uncomplicated.

4G LTE

As the name indicates, the HTC EVO 4G LTE is capable of 4G LTE speeds via Sprint's new 4G LTE network.

There's a catch though, Sprint's 4G LTE network is not really out there too much yet, so you probably don't have access to the network.

See sprint.com/4GLTE for more info on where the network is.

I only had access to the 3G network from Sprint, which is far behind the speeds you get when you are using any 4G network.

Until the network grows, this will be a big concern for Sprint, and could drive customers away. If I were them, I'd do it as quickly as possible—they have a long way to catch up to the competition in this area.

OTHER FEATURES

The HTC EVO 4G LTE features Bluetooth access, WiFi capability, and it can be used as a Mobile Hotspot for other devices (for an extra monthly fee).

It also features NFC (near-field communications), which means you can use it together with other NFC-enabled phones to share data with a tap, or make purchases via Google Wallet.

You get navigation capability too, via Google maps of course.

KEYBOARD

The EVO 4G LTE's large screen means there is a large keyboard for easy text messaging. There will be no hunting for tiny keys, especially in horizontal mode, even if you have huge fingers.

CAMERA

The rear-facing camera features an 8 megapixel shooter that was pretty impressive, though not the best I've seen on a smartphone. I got some great shots, but I also got some blurry ones.

The front-facing 1.3MP camera does what it's meant to do—primarily video chat and self portraits.

There are a ton of photo styles and editing options (panorama shots, burst shot, and much more).

Video was a home run, as the 1080p high-def video I shot was clear as crystal and very lifelike. Phone videocameras have come a long way, and this one is near the top of the list.

If you like to take pictures with your phone, for the most part you'll be very happy with the EVO 4G LTE.

BATTERY

The included 2000 mAh battery (which, as I mentioned, is not removable) was overall very impressive. I got through each day, at least, before having to charge. That can't be said for all 4G smartphones. This is an improvement from

earlier versions of the EVO, which weren't known for their battery prowess.

Tons of apps

One of the best benefits of an Android phone is the Google Play market, which offers pretty much any kind of app you might want. It once lagged behind Apple's App Store, but those days are gone. They are neck and neck at this point.

SOUND

This is the latest HTC phone to feature Beats Audio, which offers slightly better sound quality, but only if you are using headphones. Otherwise, I couldn't tell the difference.

PRICE

The HTC EVO 4G LTE costs \$199.99 out of pocket with a 2-year contract, the standard for top new phones. I would bet that if the competition gets too hot, they might knock the price down a little bit in the near future.

BOTTOM LINE

There's a ton of big name

competition out there in the smartphone market right now, but to paraphrase a character in Monty Python and the Holy Grail, "HTC's not dead yet."

HTC is still making very competitive phones, and Sprint is the only one with the EVO line, which has its share of fans. If you are a fan of this line, you might want to stay loyal to it when you upgrade, and they've given you a lot to like with the new model.

Still, grabbing new customers is going to be hard with all the heavyweights out right now. And the lack of 4G LTE coverage in most places hurts Sprint overall as far as attracting customers.

Despite these concerns, there's no denying, though, that the EVO 4G LTE is very fast, has a solid camera and a lot of other features to like. Whether it's worth picking up instead of the bigger-name competition is something each buyer will have to figure out, but one thing's for sure—HTC has made a phone strong enough that Sprint customers making a choice will have to spend some time thinking about it.



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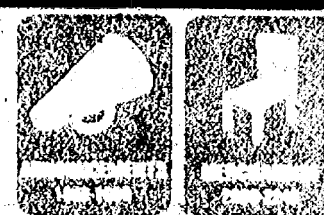
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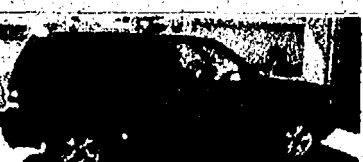
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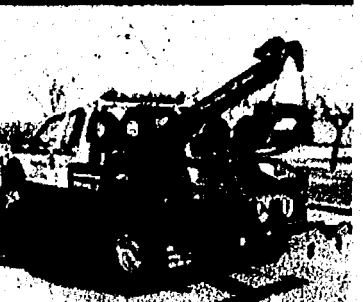
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In 2005, the LaFontaine Family moved into Washtenaw County with the addition of LaFontaine Chevrolet in Dexter. LaFontaine Chevrolet quickly took on the passion and focus of the family and the LaFontaine Automotive Group also acquired its first Collision Shop when buying Dexter Chevrolet. Matt LaFontaine, Mike and Maureen's nephew, expanded his role in the organization by taking over as the General Manager at this location.

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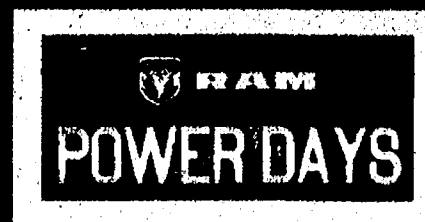
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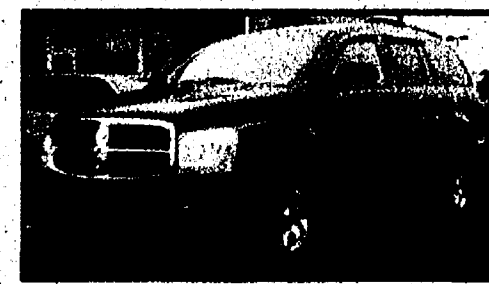


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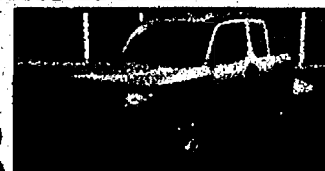


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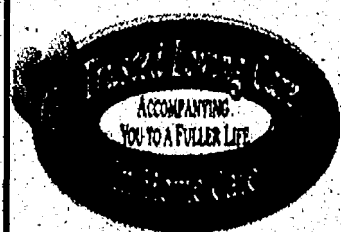
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Holiday safety tips for older drivers

Trips to visit family and friends, nighttime drives to midnight Mass or to look at Christmas lights, emergency runs to the grocery store - driving is as much a part of the holiday season as gift wrap and Christmas carols. No matter where you live in the country, driving during the holidays presents some unique challenges. It pays to make sure both you and your vehicle are prepared to stay safe on the road throughout the winter.

The experts at AARP Driver Safety offer some advice:

Prepare for bad weather

If you live in an area of the country that gets winter weather, take steps to ensure your vehicle is ready for snow. Have your mechanic check the brakes, hoses and belts, ignition, battery and all fluid levels, including the antifreeze and windshield wiper fluid levels. If you know you'll be driving through heavy snow and ice, consider putting winter tires on your car.

Stock your car with emergency equipment that will help if you become stranded, including a flashlight, first aid kit, shovel, jumper cables, basic tool kit, a bag of salt, extra windshield wiper fluid, and an ice scraper and brush. Before you leave home, always be sure you have a full tank of gas, a fully charged cell phone and a functional spare tire, jack and lug wrench.

Be aware of holiday volume

Gas prices notwithstanding, the roads are always busier during the holidays. Shopping trips, local visits to loved ones and long-

distance trips keep the nation's highways humming with heavier-than-usual volume. More cars on the road means you face more time sitting in traffic and more risk of a fender-bender or even a serious accident.

To minimize the crunch of holiday traffic, try to travel during off times of the day. Avoid traditional rush hours when you're making local trips, and if you'll be taking a long drive avoid historically high volume days. Use GPS navigation to help avoid the busiest roads by plotting less-traveled alternate routes.

Minimize distractions

Holiday driving is full of distractions, from bright holiday lights that can be visually challenging at night, to driving with a carload of happy holiday revelers. Take steps to minimize distractions. Never drive and use your cell phone at the same time. If you must use the phone, pull over or hand it to a passenger. When driving with passengers, establish ground rules for behavior that won't turn into a distraction for you.

Be at your best

Finally, you as the driver are the most important factor in ensuring your holiday drive time is as safe as possible. Take care of yourself by getting plenty of rest during this busy time of year and by driving at times of day when you're at your best.

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Growing mobility and home accessibility issues spark innovation

Driven by a growing senior population, soldiers returning home injured from war and the ongoing obesity epidemic, mobility and home accessibility issues are becoming more commonplace in America. In response, companies today are creating innovative home solutions that focus on both improved form and function, and serve to create welcome alternatives to traditional solutions for homeowners with mobility and home access challenges.

Because many of these new solutions are designed to blend into one's everyday life and complement nearly any style, the functional benefits they provide can be easy to miss. The home improvement experts at Lowe's offer tips to enhance the look and accessibility of nearly any home.

Looks do matter

Traditional aluminum ramps may be functional, but they hardly blend into the overall look or style of a home. In the past, the only way to achieve a stylish and custom look was with a specially designed and constructed wood ramp, but Lowe's has developed a solution that makes a custom look easier to achieve and install.

"Lowe's designed a unique access ramp solution that combines the look of a custom-built wood deck with the easy installation of an aluminum modular ramp," says Patricia Moore, a world-renowned gerontologist and designer. "The new ramp allows professionals and do-it-yourselfers to install the system in less time than a custom

wood ramp and within virtually any budget, given it's configurable shape and multitude of decking and railing accessory options."

Lowe's Gatehouse Custom Access Ramp System allows professionals and do-it-yourselfers to install the system in less time than a custom wood ramp, and the modular ramp can be configured with right, left or u-turns to fit the accessibility needs of users and the style of the home. Coordinating caps, balusters, post sleeves and railings give the system a pleasing, custom look. The system also allows owners to remove, relocate and reuse the ramp if they move to a different home.

Homeowners considering a ramp can visit www.lowes.com/ramps to use an online configuration tool that allows them to "play architect" and custom-design their own ramp. Customers can also visit their local store or call 1-800-GO-LOWES for assistance in product selection, purchase and to schedule a free, in-home consultation.

Function hidden in plain sight

Once only found in public buildings such as offices and schools, lever-style door handles have become a standard option for residential homes. But it's not just the look of these handles that makes them a desirable alternative to standard knobs—it's the function. Lever-style handles are easier to grip than standard doorknobs making them a preferred alternative for anyone

that's ever tried to grip a standard knob from a seated position in a wheelchair, while juggling an armful of groceries, or while suffering from arthritis.

Delta has taken things one step further with the introduction of touch faucets that feature classic designs with updated technology to make turning water on and off more effortless than ever before.

Small spaces, big innovations

Most in-home falls occur in the bathroom and, especially amongst the elderly, are one of the leading causes of hospitalization. At the same time, bathrooms tend to be the smallest rooms in a home making these spaces especially challenging to navigate for those with mobility challenges. With these challenges in mind, bathrooms have become an especially rich area of innovation in recent years.

The emergence of multi-functional and fully integrated solutions leads the trend in bathroom accessibility improvements. One of the simplest solutions has been the introduction of "chair height" toilets, which, because of their higher bowl height versus standard toilets, provide better leverage when standing from a seated position. Grab bars are also evolving to include designs that seamlessly integrate two products into one stylish solution, such as Moen's grab bars that dually function as a towel rack or toilet paper holder.

Standard tubs and vanities, which tend to create



barriers to use for those with mobility issues, have gotten their share of attention too. Wall-mounted sinks, which can be accessed from a seated position, have benefitted from style updates and easier installation than past models.

Retrofitting tubs to create easier-to-access shower enclosures has also become simpler with new innovations in factory-installed shower seats, grab bars and shower valves.

Home accessibility improvements can help you enjoy your home safely for

as long as possible and new products and solutions are making accessibility easier to enjoy than ever before. For more information on home accessibility, checklists, how-to projects, articles and tips, visit Lowe's.com/AccessibleHome.

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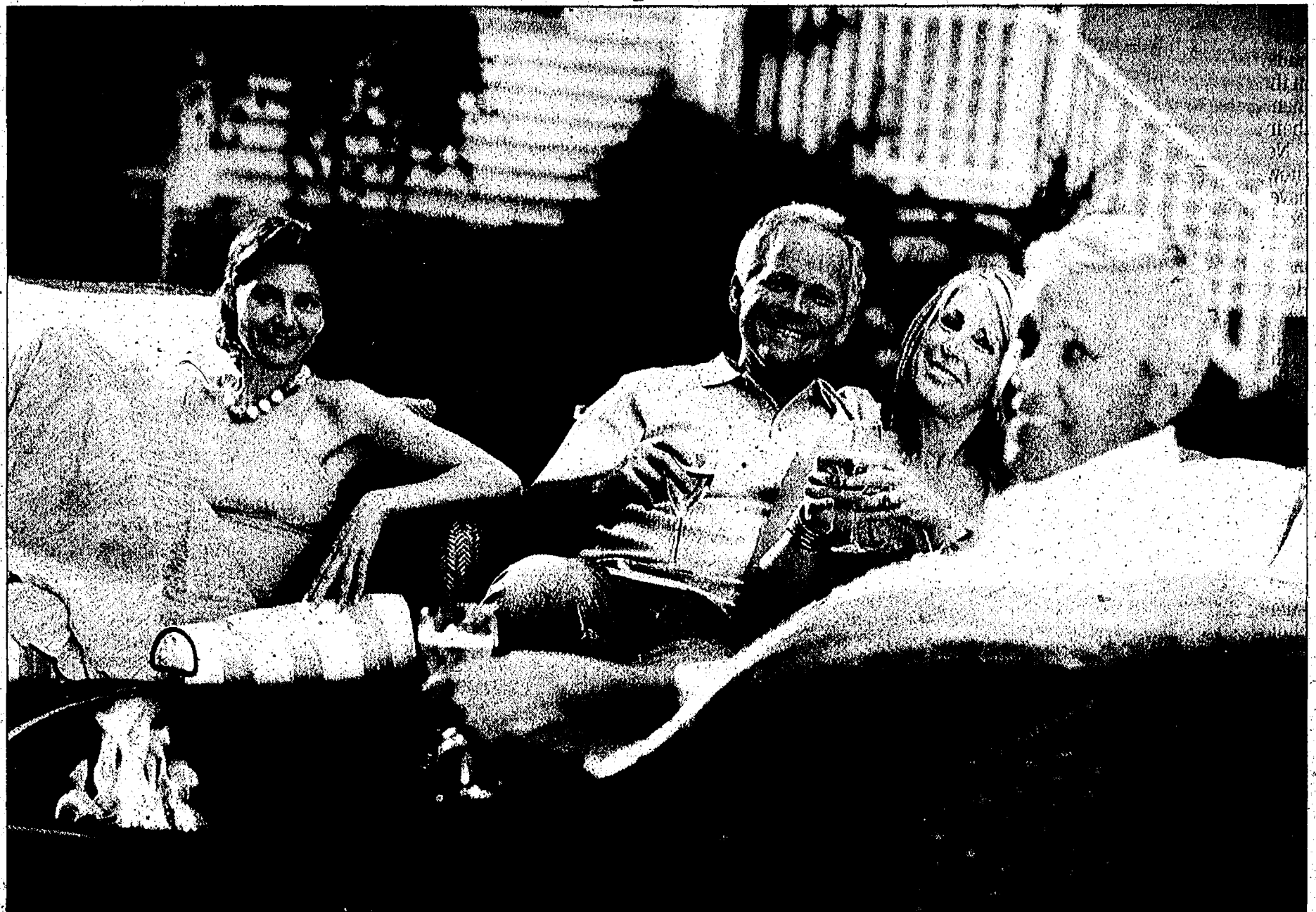
Conversations going unheard, volume settings on electronics pushed to the max, constantly asking speakers to repeat themselves - these are all common signs of hearing loss.

Hearing loss affects one in five Americans age 12 and older, according to a Johns Hopkins study. It is also the third most common health problem in the United States - with millions of Americans missing out on the important sounds of their life. Hearing loss can create troubles with relationships, workplace efficiency and can even develop into emotional issues for individuals who are unable to participate in or hear conversations.

Exposure to excessively loud noise is the main cause of hearing loss in the world today, and it affects all ages, not just the elderly. A variety of sources produce loud noises that can induce hearing loss, including machinery, electronics set at higher volumes, sporting events and concerts.

Knowing what causes hearing loss is the key to protecting your hearing. October is National Protect Your Hearing Month, designed to help educate Americans on how they can protect their hearing. Here are some tips to follow to keep hearing damage at a minimum so that you're not missing out on any of life's sounds.

■ Wear hearing protection when around loud noises. Remember to bring hearing protection with you when going to con-



certs or sporting events. Keep ear plugs handy in your car, your wallet or your purse in case you happen upon loud environments unexpectedly.

■ Turn down the volume when you can. Keep music at a comfortable level on your mobile phone, in your car and on your home stereo.

■ Walk away from loud noises whenever you are able. You'll know that noise levels are too high when it's impossible to hold a normal conversation without shouting.

Prevention is key to good hearing health, but the good news is that everyone with hearing loss can be helped. The

first step is to see an audiologist or physician who can help you determine the cause and extent of damage to your hearing. This expert will also help determine the best hearing instruments or the best medical procedure available for your condition, so you can comfortably interact with conversations again.

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Shifting household needs create home design opportunities

Boomers expect to stay in their homes and live independently into their later years, but in the midst of change that is occurring in their households, it's easy for them to lose focus on planning for their own future housing needs.

New research by The Hartford shows that 40 percent of boomers have experienced or anticipate experiencing family member changes in and out of the home, mostly related to their children. However, 70 percent of boomers have not made design changes to their living space, perhaps due to the fact that they don't know if their children will move back home, notes Jodi Olshevski, gerontologist at The Hartford. Changes that increase your home's livability allow you to stay in your home longer and make living easy for people of all ages, sizes and abilities.

"Most of us want to stay in our homes as we age, which often requires making the design choices to help us do that," says Olshevski. Moving, remodeling

or simply redecorating, all present opportunities to incorporate design factors that make your home comfortable and safe for everyone you care about, from small children to older individuals. While a life transition might cause you to halt your plans for improvements, Olshevski recommends taking the opposite approach and using it as an opportunity to incorporate more accessible design into the home.

By following the principles of universal design - what's good for people of all ages, sizes and abilities - you can make sure your home is more livable across your lifetime, and can stand up to any life changes that come your way.

Olshevski recommends concentrating on three design elements in order to accommodate changing needs over a lifetime:

■ **Adaptability.** Is your home flexible and functional for family and friends now and in the future? For example, if you're installing a new bathroom sink, you might consider storage space



in the cabinet underneath. You may also want to make sure the cabinet opening is at least 36 inches wide, which allows a wheel chair to slide in between the doors when open and makes the sink accessible to all. Or, if you're installing new kitchen countertops, think about choosing a design with multiple heights to

increase flexibility and comfort for things such as standing for food preparation or sitting to check for recipes on the computer.

■ **Ease.** Any components you add to your home should be easy to use. For example, improvements like pull-out drawers for easy access in kitchens and bathrooms can help make reaching for

items easier. If you're replacing door handles or faucets, opt for lever style handles that are easier to turn.

■ **Openness.** Open floor plans are becoming more the trend, but it's not just for style reasons. More open space means additional room to maneuver, eliminating obstacles for those who have mobility challenges. Improvements like rounding edges on countertops can also help eliminate sharp objects that could cause injury.

Recognizing both that people are living longer and wish to remain in their homes, and seeing the types of transitions that families have gone through over the past few years, The Hartford has dedicated a section of its website to helping people make their homes more livable across a lifetime, meeting the needs of every age and everyone. More resources for getting your home ready for the rest of your life can be found at www.thehartford.com/lifetime.

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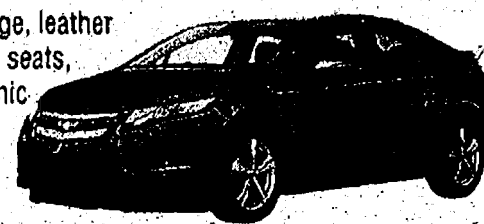
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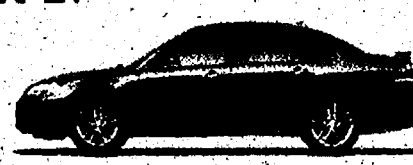
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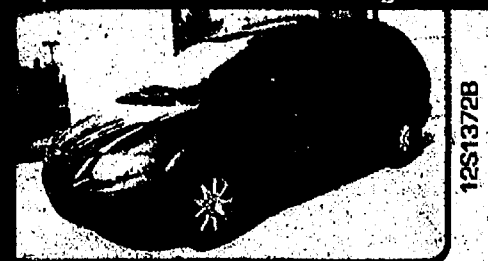
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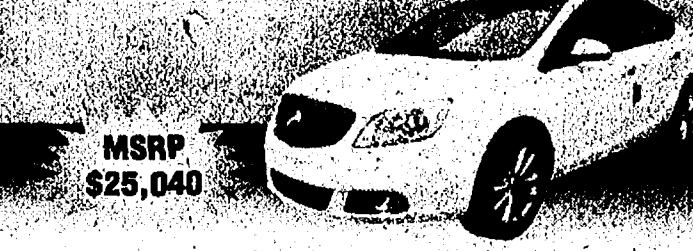


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