

Showroom Demolished, CDDA Ready to Move Forward



As the demolition crew moved in on Monday to tear down the front showroom of the Longworth Complex on Main Street in Chelsea, protesters stood by in the windy cold. "We needed to be there," said Kathy Bean, a member of Preservation Chelsea. "This is an important part of Chelsea History."

With the removal of the dilapidated Daniels Showroom, members of the Chelsea Downtown Development Authority (CDDA) board hope to move forward. "Let's get back to a strict timeline,' suggest CDDA member Mark Heydlauff at the October CDDA meeting. Heydlauff proposed bi-weekly work sessions to move CDDA projects along, including a planned streetscape. "We have a board with a lot of experience," he pointed out, explaining that

cleaning up of Longworth's remaining two buildings will help existing businesses in the area as well as entice developers. "There are people out there still interested - they

are waiting to see what we do,' said Heydlauff. "It is not up to us to pick what happens there, it is up to the marketplace to pick." he concluded. The first work session is scheduled for November 1.



Photos by Lucy

3 Arrested in Waterloo Suspected of Making Meth

Information from Waterloo Township Police Chief Tom Cottrell According to Waterloo Police Chief Tom Cottrell, his department went three for three on the evening of Friday, October 26. The incident began with a traffic stop on Portage Lake Road in Waterloo Township when officers stopped a car seen leaving Coachman's Cove Mobile Home Park and heading north towards the county park. Police saw the rear seat passenger throw a couple of

small boxes out of the window. As officer's approached the car, the back seat passenger was seen fumbling with something in his lap. He was immediately removed from

the car and a knife fell to the ground.

A second Waterloo Officer stopped and picked up the discarded boxes and found they were pseudoephedrine tablets, a necessary component in the manufacturing of meth. The ensuing investigation led to the recovery of methamphetamine from a residence in the mobile home park and the arrest of the three men in the car.

Charged by the Jackson County Prosecutors Office with manufacturing and delivering methampetamine was Christopher J. Messner, 30, of Stockbridge. The felony charge

carries a maximum sentence

of twenty years in prison. He is being held on a \$25,000 bond in the Jackson County Jail pending arraignment.

Also arrested from the car was Mikel Barnett of Stockbridge on a felony probation violation warrant for dangerous drugs. He, too, is being held at the Jackson County Jail pending transfer to Ingham County.

The driver, Aaron Wright, also of Stockbridge, was charged with driving without a valid license.

Police allege the trio was collecting the necessary components in order to cook another batch of the toxic drug.

Fear, and the Reward for Information, **Grows As Shootings Continue**

By Wendy Wood

As tension grows over a rash of shootings along the I-96 corridor from Ingham to Oakland County, police report an incident on Monday was not the 26th shooting – rather they believe it was a rock that hit a woman's windshield.

This sketch of a potential suspect was generated from information provided by a victim of one of the 25 shootings to date.

According to Ingham County Sheriff Gene Wriggelsworth, the suspect was sitting in a vehicle and the victim, who was travelling on M-52 in Ingham County when her vehicle was hit, could not describe the man's height, weight or skin color. The suspect vehicle is described as a dark colored, four door sedan.

As the task force of southern Michigan law enforcement agencies grows, so does the

to attend the World Series at Comerica Park when he was shot on I-96 near Fowlerville Road just before 12:20pm, Saturday. That incident came after an earlier shooting in which nobody was injured, that occurred at 11:50am in the same area. Arnold was released from the hospital on Sunday and is expected to make a full recovery.

Police report that ballistic evidence indicates the shootings, that began October 16 are connected.

Wriggelswork reports that his department has assigned three detectives and one sergeant to the case. Additionally, they are working overtime to patrol the Ingham County 1-96 area.

Anybody with any information is asked to report it immediately to 1-800-SPEAK-

Sylvan Departing Board Members Send Letter of Demand for Payment To Chelsea

reward for information leading

to an arrest. As of Monday the

reward from combined sources

Remarkably, only one target

shooter has been hit. 46 year

old Scott Arnold was travelling

of the apparently random

from his home near Delton

stands at \$102,000.

By Melinda Baird

Chelsea City Manager John Hanifan briefly responded to an inciting letter sent by Sylvan Township officials during the city council meeting October 23, stating the issue will be discussed in depth at the regular meeting November 13. Hanifan emphasized his disappointment that the letter charging the city with 41% of the township's \$12.5 million

debt payment was forwarded first to local media.

"A letter of that gravity which is clearly not an invitation to a Halloween party-is more trick than treat" said Hanifan. The letter, written by Sylvan Township attorney-Gaetan Gerville-Reache of Warner, Norcross and Judd, but lacking his signature, claims that because the city's incorporation

Halloween 2012 Gearing Up for Trick-or-Treat
Despite a rainy and cold forecast, many witches, gobblins,

ghouls and superhero's are looking forward to a night of plenty

Each town sets its own trick-or-treat hours through a resolution of its board. In Dexter, trick-or-treat hours are from 5:30-7:30; Stockbridge has a brief 6:30-7:30 trick-or-treat time followed by the SAESA Fire Department Costume Contest at the middle school; Unadilla's trick-or-treat runs 5:30 to 8; in Pinckney, trick-ortreaters have from 6-8 to fill their bags; and Chelsea's new hours



A sunny but chilly day last Saturday was greeted with the Munith Lions Annual Halloween Parade. Each year the Lions organize this kick-off of the holiday by inviting the Stockbridge Middle and High School bands to lead area businesses and organization down Main Street, across M-106 and into the school for donuts and cider. Photo by Wendy Wood

date of 2004 came after the township's pledge of full faith and credit in 2001 to repay 12.5 million in sewer and water bonds to the county, the city is partly responsible for the debt. That part, according to Gerville-Reache, is determined according to the assessed taxable value taken from the township upon incorporation. Based on assessment rolls from 2004, wrote Gerville-Reache, the city took 40.915% of the township's assessed value, and therefore, he asserts, the city is responsible for 41% of the \$12.5 million owed to the county under the bond contracts.

Sylvan Township residents narrowly passed a 4.4 millage proposal last August to repay the debt - that collection will begin with the winter tax bill.

According to the letter, "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." The decision to send the unsigned letter came with a 3-2 vote that took place during a

special meeting last Monday. In favor of sending the letter was soon-to-be replaced incumbents treasurer Arlene Grau and clerk LuAnn Koch and trustee Rueben Lesser. Continued on Page 2



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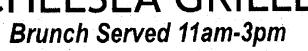
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<u>Obituaries</u>

Cecilia Ann Howe Jackson Michigan Formerly of Chelsea

Passed away at age 89, Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at the Jackson County Medical Care Facility. She was born November 11, 1922 in Arcadia, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Vincent and Mary (Gavlas) Biroscak.

October 31, 1943 she married James R. Howe in Detroit and he preceded her in death in 1951. She lived in Jackson for a year and half, coming from Chelsea and also Lake Worth, Florida. She enjoyed music, attending parties and spending time with her grandchildren.

Surviving are three daughters: Catherine McDaniels of Chelsea, Sylvia Bentley of Lake Worth, Florida and Mary (Paul) Vernier of California; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and her siblings: Theresa Robb of Cleveland, Ohio, Mary (Abe) Sahm of Pennsylvania, Joseph Biroscak of Stockbridge, Cathy Kolbe of Michigan, and Vincent Biroscak of Florida.

In addition to her husband, she was also preceded in death by her daughter Alice J.

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Howe in 1963 and her siblings: William, Ann, Betty, John, George, Marge, Joanne, and Ronnie.

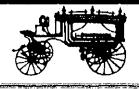
Mass took place Saturday, October 27, 2012 from St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea with Rev. Dr. William J. Turner officiating. Burial followed at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Chelsea. Visitation and Rosary took place from the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea, Friday, October 26 with Deacon Tom Franklin officiating.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Jackson County Medical Care Facility.

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Continued from the Front Page Township Supervisor Bob Lange along with trustee and candidate for supervisor Scott Cooper voted against sending the letter. "It is terribly unfortunate and improper that a copy of this went to the press before it was received by Mr. Hanifan," noted Cooper.

"I believe this was pushed by several angry people who didn't get re-elected," said councilman Frank Hammer. "Can you spell blackmail?" added councilwoman Cheri Albertson saying the city and township have already undergone nine separate meetings hashing over the issue. Hanifan said considerable discussions are expected in the weeks to come. "I thought we laid a foundation for meeting in good faith. I just hope we can come to some reasonable conclusion since these claims in this letter are outlandish."

In other council news, members voted to opt out of a new countywide transit authority system aimed at

connecting rural corners of the county with their urban counterparts. The vote came after an hour-long work session with AATA officials before the council meeting, which according to councilman Rod Anderson, was not sufficient in providing answers. The work session completed the third consecutive meeting involving discussion of whether or not to participate.

I just would not be comfortable committing to a millage we don't know for services we don't know." summarized Anderson. Councilman Martinez-Kratz was the only councilperson in favor of opting in.

Fifteen townships within the county along with Chelsea have opted out of the authority. Only Ypsilanti Township and the city of Saline have opted in to date.

"It's a five-year millage," said AATA financial analyst Bill De Groot at a previous meeting. "If municipalities decide they want to opt in during this next five-year period, they can appeal to the 196 Board.

Frank J. Radowski **Gaylord Michigan** Formerly of Stockbridge

Passed away at age 95. Saturday, October 27, 2012 at the Aspen Ridge facility in Gaylord. He was born January 14, 1917 in Wakefield, Michigan, the son of Joseph and Josephine Radowski.

Frank was a 1936 graduate of Wakefield High School and received his B.A. Degree from New Mexico State University and M.A. Degree from Eastern Michigan University. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and completed 70 missions fighting out of England. He was a teacher at Stockbridge Middle School, retiring after 26 years in 1976, and also was a parttime U.S. Customs Inspector for ten years, retiring at age 70. Frank's hobbies included woodworking, hunting, fishing, trapping, planting trees and flowers, and feeding wildlife.

Surviving are his son, Thomas (Ruth) Radowski of Indiana; daughter, Susan Lube of Jackson; brother, Walter Radowski of Wisconsin; sister, Ann Gardner of California; two grandsons, Scott Radowski and Martin Radowski; five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.



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He was preceded in death by his wife, Geneva (Wojciehowski) Radowski; three brothers: Chester, Edward, and Stanley Radowski; and four sisters: Marie Rozynek, Caroline Stavedhal, Stella Connelley, and Theresa Kaslewicz.

Visitation will take place at the Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home, Stockbridge on Wednesday, October 31, 2012 from 10-11 a.m., followed by a Graveside Service at Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian Catholic Cemetery (Bunker Hill) with Fr. Mike Petroski officiating.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Robotics Team to Host Movie Night Fundraiser

By Alex Noffsinger

"I wouldn't hesitate to see it again," said Stockbridge High School Junior Abbey Devlin about the "Last Flight Home."

returning to Stockbridge on November 9 at 7pm. The Stockbridge Advanced Underwater Robotics Team will present the documentary that showcases efforts by the BentProp Project to recover soldiers from the Republic of Palau who are missing in action. The movie will be shown at Heritage Elementary in Stockbridge.

will be baked goods available for purchase. The team is also conducting a silent auction with items donated from local businesses. All proceeds will go toward the team's 2nd mission to Palau.

Underwater Robotics Team has set a fund raising goal of \$60,000 for their trip to Palau this spring. An easy and quick way of donating to the team is by visiting their page at gofundme.com entitled Stockbridge Advanced Underwater Robotics Team. The "Last Flight Home" is

Tennifer Powers and Daniel T. O'Brien. The film features Dr. Pat Scannon and his small team of self funded citizens who search for and recover the remains of World War II aircraft on and offshore of the Palau Islands. The documentary was filmed over

Among the team members of the BentProp Project that will be in attendance are Flip Colmer from Chelsea and Reverend Lew Towler. Colmer, a retired Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy, has been a member of the BentProp Project for ten years. Reverend Lew Towler, a veteran from the Battle of Peieliu, a battle lought on the southern tip of the Palau Islands, is a recent addition to the team. There will be time at the end for questions of the two team members.

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"Scary" Investment Moves to Avoid Submitted by Edward Jones

It's Halloween time again.

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One such move is overreacting to the headlines. Many news events sound



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ominous, but they may actually have little or no impact on your long-term investment strategy.

Here's another scary move: Chasing hot investments. By the time you get to them, they may already be cooling off. And they might be inappropriate for your needs, anyway. Another frightening move

is focusing too much on short-term results. If you're

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POLICE BEAT

10/22 Issued a killed deer permit to a Munith man for a road injured deer in his yard.

10/23 Attended the preliminary exam in the 12^{th} district court for Russell Campbell on a delivery of meth charge and he was bound over to circuit court.

10/24 Firearms qualifications for all officers today and on the 25th in Brooklyn.

Handled a simple assault case that occurred in Coachman's Cove MHP at 2:50 pm.

Issued two trespassing notices to former residents of Coachman's Cove MHP.

Did a personal welfare check on a resident of Gorton Road in the Village of Waterloo at 9:31 pm.

10/25 Charged a Jackson woman with driving without a driver's license from a traffic stop on Seymour near Willis Road and impounded her vehicle. 10/26 Arrested three Stockbridge men on charges ranging

from delivery of meth to operating without a driver's license. See related press release. Arrested a Munith man on an Ingham County felony warrant

and took him to a meet with a Stockbridge Police unit at 10:15 10/27 Took a larceny report from a resident on Baldwin Road

at 4:21 pm. Arrested a Redford Township man for driving without a valid

license and improper plates at 5:57 pm. Unadilla Township Police

10/23 Assisted Pinckney Police Department with recovery of stolen property, S. Howell Street Suspicious vehicle, Wasson Road

10/24 Ordinance violation - solicitor complaint, Main Street Loose pit bull, Main Street

One car accident, Doyle Road at Holmes Road 10/25 Assisted Livingston County Sheriff Department with investigation of injury motorcycle accident, Hadley at Bartell

Road Stalking, Hadley Road

42-year-old Gregory man arrested for domestic violence assault, Main Street

Attempted breaking and entering, Carr Street Open door investigation, San Luray Drive

10/26 40-year-old Unadilla Township man arrested on probation violation warrant, Carr Street Assist to EMS and Unadilla Township Fire Department with

medical emergency, Bradley Road Sexual assault (location not published) 10/27 Hunting complaint, Doyle at Van Syckle Road

Larceny of prescription medication from a residence, Joslin Lake Road **Pinckney Village Police**

10/21 Stalking, Brentwood Drive 22-year-old Gregory woman arrested and released for driving while license suspended, E. Main Street

21-year-old Hamburg Township man arrested for driving while under the influence of alcohol, S. Dexter Street 10/22 ~ 31-year-old Pinckney woman arrested on misdemeanor

warrant, S. Howell Street Welfare check, S. Howell Street

Credit card fraud, E. Unadilla Street 10/23 Hit and run property damage accident at Busch's, E.

Receiving and concealing stolen property, S. Howell Street 10/24 22-year-old Farmington Hills woman arrested and released for driving while license suspended, E. Main Street

Stalking, Brentwood Drive 10/25 35-year-old Iosco Township man arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, E. M-36

Trespass - hunting complaint at former Reeves Farm property, S. Howell Street Welfare check, E. M-36 10/26 Ordinance violation, noise disturbance, E. Main Street

Domestic dispute, Vincent Street 10/27 Ordinance violation, noise disturbance, Elizabeth

Street Ordinance violation, barking dog disturbance, Reeves Street Animal complaint, swan would not leave homeowner's fenced

in backyard, Mower Road **Chelsea City Police**

10/22 1:20pm, 1300 block of S. Main Street, Chelsea Police received a report of a larceny from a building complaint. The victim stated that she had left her purse in the lobby of her office building and went into another room for a meeting. When she returned to the lobby area she noticed her purse was missing. The case remains under investigation at this time. 10/25 2pm, 6000 block of Sibley Road, Chelsea Police received a call from a local business reporting a retail fraud that had occurred on October 25 around 2pm. The complainant stated that they had a customer come in to the store and request to see some jewelry that was behind a locked case. The customer looked at a vast array of jewelry and decided to purchase a couple of the pieces. The employee collected the pieces that were not purchased and placed the items back in the case. The following day it was determined that one of the items, an 18 Karat gold vintage locket was missing from the display case. Officers followed up on the suspect information that was received when the suspect purchased the other items,

with negative results. 10/27 ~5:30pm, 500 block of S. Main Street, at approximately 5:30pm officers responded to the 500 Block of S. Main Street for the report of a property damage crash. Upon arrival officers met with the parties involved and began the investigation. After interviewing the parties involved it was determined that one of the driver's involved in the crash was possibly under the influence of alcohol. The suspect, a 30 year old Livonia man was placed under arrest for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol (2nd offense) and transported to the Washtenaw County Jail. The case remains open pending laboratory analysis by the Michigan State Police Crime lab and warrant authorization by the Washtenaw County Prosecutors Office.



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Rotary Club of Chelsea Making a Difference at Home and Abroad

By Rick Taylor

It's hard to know what Rotary International does in a sea of nonprofit organizations like Kiwanis. Lions Club and a host of others. Today, it's my job to inform you what Rotary International does and why you should get involved in your local Rotary Chapter.

It's important to know the history of Rotary, how it started and what makes it such an important organization to be a part of on a local and global scale.

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Ginger Sissom is the current President of the Rotary Club of Chelsea. Ginger, along with local Rotarians have created a strategic plan to further assist with both local and global needs.

The Rotary Club of Chelsea recently had the honor of hosting coach Don Riddell who is the District Governor for our local area, which just happens to include parts of Ontario Canada.

Coach Don talked about his experiences with Rotary, its humanitarian causes and how blessed he is to be in such a wonderful organization. He was very impressed with our friendly local members and became quite fond of our Chelsea atmosphere not to mention the Common Grill bread rolls.

Ginger Sissom had the opportunity to tell Coach Don of our accomplishments, our future goals both locally and on a global scale through our newly formed Strategic Plan.

Coach Don was very impressed with our club and really hoped our community knew of our fine work.

Ginger said it best in a recent email: "I was proud to present Coach Don with our new strategic plan and our accomplishments. I believe he saw one of the things that makes our club great - we like and respect each other. We enjoy serving the community together.

His visit reinforced the fact that we are part of something much larger-an international organization. I was impressed with his deep passion for what Rotary stands for. His four year leadership commitment to Rotary

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Sandhill Cranes Congregating at Haehnle

By Lucy Silverio

Early in the morning while the sky was still black I went with a friend to watch the sandhill cranes lifting off the swamp at the Haehnle Bird Sanctuary. When we arrived it was just starting to get light, the temperatures were in the high 40s. It was drizzling and quiet. We sat on the hill overlooking the swampland, cups of coffee in our cold hands.

Before us several thousand Greater Sandhill Cranes were roosting in the water. As it started getting lighter they began to call out to each other. A few at first, then silence, then others, gradually building until it became a wild cacophony, like a huge crowd at a football field.

We hear their haunting prehistoric cry long before we can see them. About 30 minutes after we arrived groups of cranes were leaving the swamp in small flocks, the sun broke through the clouds about 10 degrees from the horizon.

A 1931 survey of southern Michigan found only seventeen pairs of sandhill cranes in the lower peninsula. Whooping cranes were even more rare. In 1941 only 21 wild birds and two captive birds could be found. But the years of unregulated hunting and habitat destruction are now

over. Sandhill cranes, who can be traced to the time of the dinosaurs, have made a huge come back. Over 3,600 sandhill cranes were counted at the Haehnle Bird Sanctuary on Monday October 22. A lone whooping crane has been seen in their midst for the last couple of years.

The whooping crane at five feet tall is the tallest North American bird. The Greater Sandhill Cranes which are currently at Haehnle are also sizable at four feet tall with six foot wing spans. As they come off the marsh, if they are low over your head you can hear the air beating through their

Sandhill cranes in lower Michigan leave their nesting areas around September and congregate in staging areas, like the marsh at Haehnle. The marsh area has plenty of food and safe places to roost, providing an ideal location for flocks to join together before migrating. By the end of November most of the cranes

Cranes like to migrate when warming thermals are rising and they have a tail wind. Flying in formation with a tailwind can reduce energy expenditure by 30%, according to information from the Haehnle Sanctuary. Cranes can reach speeds of fifty miles an hour and can cover 500 miles in a single day. Sandhill cranes from our area typically winter in Florida.



Leaving the marsh. Photo by Lucy Silverio

Haehnle staging area for cranes is an amazing local gift. The season peaks at the very end of October to early November and most people go as the sun is setting to watch the cranes fly in rather than the early morning.

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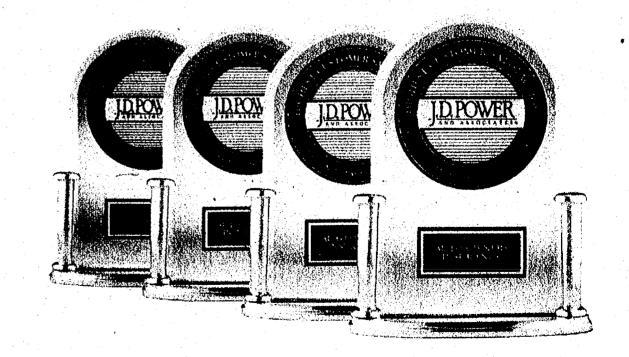
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Boys' CC Qualifies for State Finals, Girls' Tenth

The Division 1 cross country regional at Brighton was one of the state's toughest and the Pinckney boys' team had a strong showing, coming home third and moving on to the state finals at MIS Saturday.

Pinckney came up big as its top 6 runners set personal records at the race

The Pirates finished with 90 points, behind KLAA champion Milford with 25 and rival Hardland

Tyler Sanders led the squad with a 9th place finish in 16:02.

Wesley Sanders was 11th in 16:05, followed by Ryne Weisenberger 21st in 16:35. Chase Schweyer 22nd in 16:39, Isaac

Harris 27th in 16:46, Tyler Smar 29th in 16:50, and Ben Rowley 37th in 17:00.

The girls' team had a rough time in the standings finishing 10th in the very strong regional.

Even though the 10th place finish was disappointing, the girls' ran a strong race as five runners had personal records

They were led by freshman Maddy Haas in 33rd in 20:14. She was followed by Rachel Selina in 45th in 20:40, Hannah Hamilton 52nd in 20:49. Courtney Hall 54th in 20:57, Kelli Johnson 67th in 21:21, Jessica Eddings 68th in 21:35.6, and Jordan Case 69th in 21:35.9.

Haas, Hamilton, Hall, Johnson, and Case all had personal records.

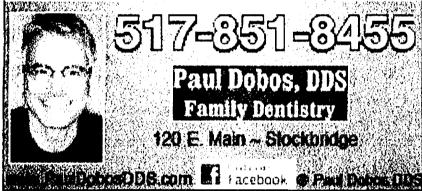


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Panther Spikers Sweep Pair

The Stockbridge volleyball team wrapped up its regular season by sweeping a pair of matches in the CAAC tournament last week.

The Panthers opened the week by Lansing Eastern 25-17, 25-17, 25-23. Kelsey Crockett had a big night with 12 service points, 10 digs, seven kills, four aces, and two blocks.

Breanna Taylor added 7 digs and 6 kills, while Barbara Lance had 10 assists and Jennifer Spink 5 assists.

The Panthers then defeated Owosso in four sets 25-10, 24-26, 25-8,

Spink had a strong game with 22 service points, 12 assists, and four aces. Crockett had another big night with 18 digs, 11 kills 3.5 blocks, and 3 aces. Taylor added 11 digs, 10 kills, and 3 aces, while Lance had 13

The Panthers improved to 10-19-8 on the season.



Airman Matt Busen has completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base. He graduated with honors, finishing in the top 10% of his graduating class of over 720 recruits. He will now go to Keesler Air Force Base for three months of advanced training specializing in cyber system operations. Upon completion in December, he will be stationed at Moody Airforce Base in Georgia.

Sports by Mike "Willie" Williamson



Armstrong, Boys' CC Win Regional Titles, Girls' 2nd

The Stockbridge cross country teams had a strong showing at the Division 3 Regional in Ann Arbor Saturday as the boys' came home with the regional title and the girls' team finished 2nd.

Alec Armstrong also came home with the individual Regional Title with a time of 16:41.

The boys ran away with the title, finishing with 33 points, easily outdistancing second place Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard with 80.

The girls finished with 44 points, just behind champion Macomb Lutheran North with

The boys' placed all six runners in the top 12 as they dominated.

Freshman Nathaniel Baird was third in 17:00, followed by Evan Upshur in 8th in 17:42. Austin Fillmore was 10th in 17:49, Kaleb Losey 11th in 17:53, and Mitchell Lilley 12th in 17:55.

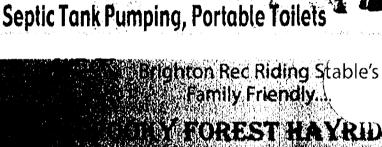
Lindsay Poll paced the girls with a 4th place finish in 20:17. Jenna Chapman finished 6th

in 20:27, Micah Ward 9th in 20:57, Taylor Machette 12th in 21:16, Ashley Bertl 15th in 21:23, Alex Eibler 18th in 21:57, and Melody Theut 42nd in 27:44.



The Panther Boys' Varsity Cross Country Team dominated at the Division 3 Regional meet last Saturday. All six Stockbridge runners: (left to right) Kaleb Losey: Austin Fillmore, Austin Shepherd, Evan Upshur, Alec Armstrong, Nathaniel Baird and Mitchell Lilley, placed in the top 12. Armstrong also earned the individual Regional Title.

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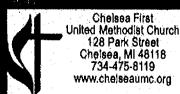
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Cross Country

The Chelsea Bulldog Cross Country team kept it going this weekend with a huge win in the regional cross country meet at Lake Erie Metropark. The top four finishers were: Chelsea in first with 33pts, Milan 86pts, Divine Child 94pts and Riverview with

Again, Austin Horn took first place with a time of 16:07, Jacob Stubbs 16:41, Bram Parkinson 16:43. Tony Vermilve 16:51. David Trimas 16:54, Jack Abernethy 17:23 and Charlie Miller 17:58.

"We always seem to run great at regionals and this year is no exception," said Coach Eric Swager, "our squad truly dominated, placing 5 all-region runners and beating the next team by an amazing 53 points. The way we design our training plan is to allow our runners to peak in the last 2 weeks of the season, all that is required on their part is a focused effort."

"Today, the guys made it look easy," he went on to say, "we had 3 lifetime bests and another 3 guys that were within a dozen seconds of their lifetime best. That is impressive on a day that did not

yield a ton of super fast times. The course and weather set up well for us, as our focus is relaxing the first mile, then picking people off as they get tired."

"Austin Horn was once again outstanding, upsetting the topseeded Divine Child runner by working our plan to perfection. His closing speed and mid-race toughness make him dangerous in races like this. I am proud of him for claiming both an individual league title and regional title this season."

The group of Stubbs, Parkinson, Vermilye, and Trimas showed great, working up through the field and finishing with a flourish. Jack Abernethy moved up from 50th at the mile to 21st at the end for a lifetime best time and Charlie Miller gave a solid effort in his final regional as a senior.

This marks the 11th straight year that Chelsea has qualified for the state Championship, one of the longest streaks in the entire

The team will run next week in the finals at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Indians End Season for Bulldogs Football

Round one of the playoffs had the Bulldogs traveling to Tecumseh last Friday night. They didn't perform as well as they thought, losing to the Indians 27-20. This is the first time in the last four years that Tecumseh was able to beat the Bulldogs in the first round.

Things started out great for the Bulldogs, who racked up 17pts in the first quarter, first with an interception by Michael Steinhauer, a 6 yard run by Colton Platt and Zach Rabbit sailing the ball through the uprights to add another 3pts.

Tecumseh answered with a 23

yard pass to Casey Hunt from Ben Dreslinski.

In the second quarter, the Indians added another 7pts to be within 4pts going into halftime.

Rabbit kicked another field goal in the third quarter, to stretch the lead 20-13. This didn't last long. Tecumseh's Spencer Hite tied the score with a 4 yard run late in the

In the last quarter, the Indians took over. Hite scored again at the half way mark to take the lead tor Tecumseh and ultimately winning the game 27-20.

Chelsea ends their season with a 6-4-0 record.



The Chelsea Cross Country team pose with their award from regionals this past weekend. Photo by Roy Schmidt



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Water Polo Moves On To Finals

The Dexter boys' water polo team qualified for the State Finals in East Grand Rapids by finishing fourth at the Regional at Birmingham this past weekend. The Dreadnaughts opened the weekend by knocking off the brackets top seed

Ann Arbor Skyline 14-12 in overtime Friday night. Dexter then dropped a hard fought game in the semifinals, falling to Okemos

15-14 in sudden death overtime. Max Merriman and Michael Garcia scored four goals each for the

Dreadnaughts. The Dreads then fell to Ann Arbor Huron 13-5 in the third place game. The

match was tied at 2 after one period, but Huron outscored Dexter 9-1 in the second and third periods to pull away.

Devin Wilson scored two goals to lead Dexter.

The finals will be played November 9 and 10th.

Sports by Mike "Willie" Williamson



Boys' CC Wins Regional, Girls 2nd

The Dexter boys' and girls' cross country teams will be moving on to the Division 1 State Finals at Michigan International Speedway Saturday after the boys' team won the Regional championship and the girls finished second.

The boys' finished with 51 points as they placed four runners in the top 14 places. They easily outdistanced second place Canton Salem with 90 points.

The girls' finished with 66 points, finishing behind Canton Salem with 51.

The boys' were led by Matt Greve who won the individual Regional title with a first place finish in 16:01.

Joe Wendorf finished third in 16:13, followed by Mike Hauke in 12th in 16:29, and Alexey Vermeulen in 14th in 16:30. Blake Loudermilk was 22nd in 16:50, Luke Bottomley 50th in 17:37, and Casey Hanson 60th in 17:56.

The girls' were paced by freshman Alison McLean's 8th place finish in 19:19.

Alexandra Ammann was 10th in 19:34.2, Robin Jackson 12th in 19:34.9, Elizabeth Greve 17th in 19:56. Paige O'Piela 19th in 20:02. Cailin McLean 30th in 20:27, and Rylee Hanson 37th in 20:50.

Personal records were set by Hauke, Ammann, Jackson, and O'Piela.

Soccer Reaches State Semifinals

The Dexter varsity soccer team moved on to the state semifinals against top ranked and undefeated Spring Lake Wednesday night after claiming the Division 2 Regional title with a 2-0 win over Mason.

The teams battled each other hard and were scoreless for most of the first half until Max Amann knocked a loose ball into the net at the 38 minute mark.

Mason put lots of pressure on the Dreads in the second half, but goalie Rhys Moller came up with some big saves and Mason misfired on an open net by sending a shot over the top.

Jake Rayer sealed the victory with a goal at the 79th minute of the second half.

Bobby Toth picked up an assist for the Dreadnaughts, while Moller made 5 saves.

The Dreads reached the finals by beating Marshall 2-0 earlier in the week.

Marshall entered the game with a 4-16-2 record and played the Dreads tough, but Dexter finally broke through when Toth knocked in a pass from Amann with just

over a minute to go in the half. Dexter controlled play in the second half and limited Marshall to very few scoring chances.

David Innis iced the game when he knocked in a rebound of a Cory Poirier shot with just over 14 minutes left in the game.

The Dreads improved to 19-5-3 overall on the season.

Field Hockey Ends Season The Dexter field hockey team fell to fourth ranked Bloomfield Hills

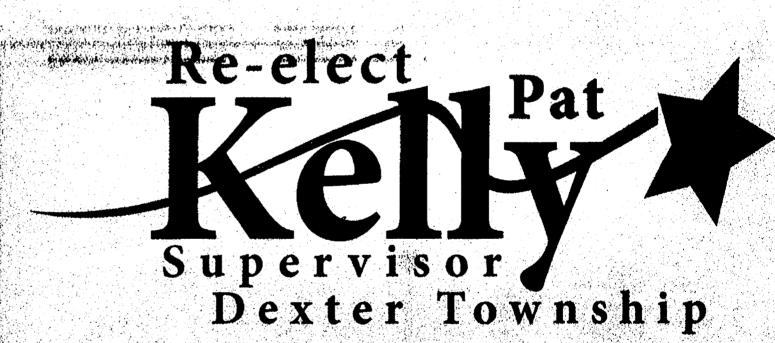
Marian 5-1 in the state quarterfinals at Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Marian jumped out to an early lead as they scored first half goals. Neena Pio scored three minutes into the game on an assist from Megan Flocken, but would get no closer as Marian showed why it is a

Marian put the game away with two more goals in the second half. Dexter wrapped up its season with a 11-6-1 overall record.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

STOCKBRIDGE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS **GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE**

NOTICE FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012 TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF: Township of Stockbridge, County of lingham, State of Michigan - NOTICE IF HEREBY Given, That the General Election will be held in Township of Stockbridge, County of Ingham, State of Michigan ON TUESDAY, November 6, 2012 - The Polls are Open from 7 AM to 8 PM At the Places for Holding the Election in Stockbridge Township is: Stockbridge Township Hall, 125 S Clinton ST, Stockbridge - FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE FOLLOWING PARTISAN OFFICERS: National: President and Vice President - Senator: United State - Congressional: Representative in Congress - Legislative: State Representatives - State: Members of State Board of Education, Members of Board of Regents of the University of Michigan, Members of Michigan State University Board of Trustees, Members of Wayne State University Board of Governors. - County: Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner and County Commissioners. - Township Offices: Supervisor,

NON-PARTISAN OFFICERS: Supreme Court Justice, Appeals Court Judge, Circuit Court Judge, Judge of Probate Court, and District Court Judge. Stockbridge Community Schools and Dansville Community School: Board Members - Stockbridge Village: President, & Trustee's - LCC: Board of Trustees ALSO TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWIN STATE PROPOSALS:

Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees. - AND ALSO TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING

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 Also to Vote the Following County of Ingham Proposal: Ingham County Health Services Millage Stockbridge Township Clerk

School of Choice Possibility Rises Again in Chelsea

year.

governor Snyder seems pretty

determined to make Michigan

schools, school of choice and

surmised that there may even

be a mandate for all schools

by next year. Olsen suggested

that regardless of any current

decision, forums on the issue

take place within the coming

A decision on the subject

November 5 meeting in order

to meet the deadline to qualify

for the state funding this year.

Pinckney, Manchester, and

Accounting presented the

CSD for another year with

no findings - meaning that

district audit and praised the

everything was in good order.

She also congratulated CSD

for being within \$200,000 of

their projected budget for the

year while dealing with shifts

in student numbers, changing

state funding and constantly

Crowder said that he is very

by other members of the

appreciative of the hard work

board who are on the finance committee. They are unpaid

7:15 in the morning to work on

for the activity yet meet at

Sue Greg, Food Service

presented the new Healthy,

that provides extra federal

lunch aid. The act, which

went into effect this year,

of fruit or vegetables to be

served with every lunch, if

students don't choose one a

lunch attendant will put one

York Times many districts

throughout the country end

up with trash cans filled with

packets of baby carrots, cut up

broccoli, or apple slices tossed

aside by students. However,

Greg said that the majority

of Chelsea students while not

necessarily eating the food in

the lunch room are putting it

into their bags to eat later.

committee decided not to

continue with the plan of

ballot issues 2 and 5.

In other news, the policy

making recommendations on

on their tray before they exit

the line. According to the New

requires at least one half cup

Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010

Supervisor for the CSD

budgeting issues.

changing costs.

Board trustee Jeff

schools of choice.

Stockbridge are all currently

Tracey Kasparek of Rehmann

will need to be made at the

of schools of choice should

By Lucy Silverio

Whether or not to become a school of choice was once again a topic of conversation at the Chelsea School District (CSD) board meeting October 22, 2012. Superintendent Andrew Ingall explained the state offers \$54 per student if a district follows seven out of eight best practices.

Chelsea already follows six of the eight; the two remaining are becoming a school of choice or following the state board of education physical education (PE) or health policy recommendations. If the CSD school board finds a way to fulfill one of those goals the district would gain approximately \$125,000.

School board members recognized that becoming a school of choice is not popular with many Chelsea constituents, but while fulfilling the PE requirements may be considered more palatable, Ingall pointed out that the new staff required would make it a cost negative situation. He also questioned whether CSD even has the physical space at North Creek Elementary where the

gym is already busy. Currently Chelsea k-5 students get two 30-minute sessions of PE a week. State recommendations are for 150 minutes per week. At the middle school and high school levels the state recommendation is 225 minutes. "You are not allowed to count things like recess or at the secondary level extracurriculars or athletics," said Ingall. "I would say that as a district we are not opposed to physical activity or student engagement in those activities, there is just a limited amount of time in the day."

Ingall went on to say that the school of choice option could be done in a very limited way by allowing a single student to enter at North Creek. A limited number of out-ofdistrict k-8 children could also register through CSD to the Virtual Learning Academy Consortium (VLAC). Both would satisfy the requirement. Ingall recommended the VLAC option but did say that the child would be enrolled in the CSD if things did not work out with the program or when they aged out.

School board president Steve Olsen pointed out that

NOTICE TO WHITE OAK TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS **PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the November 6, 2012 Election has been scheduled for Thursday, November 21, 2012, at 7:00 PM, in the White Oak Township Office at 1002 S. M-52, Webberville, Michigan. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the election count the votes in the manner prescribed by law. Leela A. Vernon, Clerk

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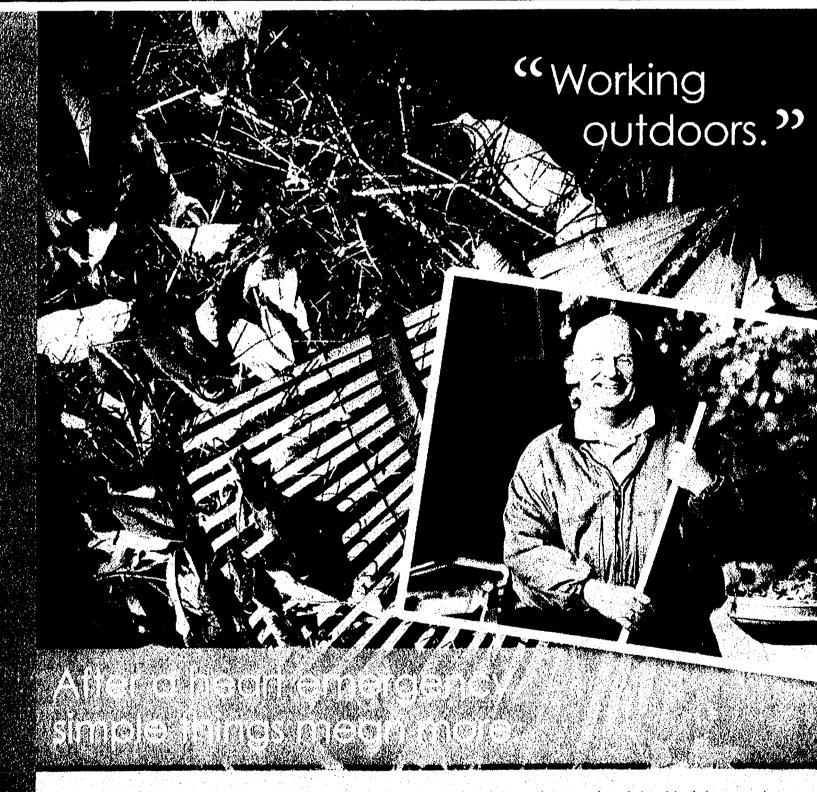


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- Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority Board of Trustees
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Dexter Delays Decision On Countywide Transit Authority

By Melinda Baird

Dexter Village officials took advantage of a 30-day extension offered by Ann Arbor Transit Authority in unanimously agreeing to postpone their decision of whether to opt in or out of a proposed countywide transit system at an October 22 Council meeting. With the opt-out deadline moved to early December, Council members said they preferred to wait and see what action neighboring Scio and Pittsfield Townships would take.

Since the majority of townships had already opted out of the system, Trustee Joe Semifero was outspoken in questioning whether the originally proposed 0.584 millage was still AATA's best guess as to the numerical figure voters will see on a 2013 ballot. Because the proposed millage number relies on total taxable property value in the county, the 0.584 number could change dramatically

with all the opt-outs, argued Semifero.

"Scio and Pittsfield Township have enough taxable value that the plan becomes viable with the numbers we're talking about. I propose we wait to vote until we found out what they're going to do," he told Council.

Other members agreed with Semifero's argument that the millage rate was too unpredictable understanding that even if Dexter Village residents vote against the five-year millage they would still be subject to the tax if the majority of the new transit authority votes to pass it. "We'd be signing up our constituents without knowing what we're signing them up for," Semifero cautioned.

Up until now, AATA staff has predicted residents of opt-in municipalities will pay 0.584 mills each year for five years to help fund the \$7.7 million five-year transit expansion plan. That figure, however, was based on the presumption that most cities and townships within Washtenaw County would opt to be part of the "geographical footprint" of the new transit authority.

Since the October 22 meeting, however, fifteen townships—including Scio and Pittsfield—have opted out, along with the City of Chelsea. Only Ypsilanti Township and

Saline have opted in.

Considering the shrinking

geographical footprint, Semifero pushed AATA officials for an anticipated range of cost to residents if the village opts in, but AATA financial analyst Bill De Groot and Community Relations Manager Mary Stasiak were hesitant to give one. De Groot and Stasiak were adamant that verbalizing a range without yet knowing the service area would be premature. Once they know which municipalities opt in, the service plan will be amended based on those municipalities' needs and a millage will be calculated accordingly, they said. "When we know what services are most important to those who've chosen to participate, then we can crunch the numbers," added

Stasiak.

"The worst thing you can possibly do is go in with an unknown," insisted Semifero.

"It's worse than a bad number. Nobody votes for an unknown."

Trustee and AATA board representative Jim Carson said a decision will have to be made in the near future regardless of whether a more accurate price range is ascertained. He added that he didn't believe the millage would be much higher than originally proposed because the outlying townships are not participating—eliminating the

most expensive services. "I can support postponement, but at some point we're going to have to trust the process and vote without knowing the exact millage."

millage."
In other Council business,
Village Manager Donna
Dettling reported three
different business plans,
"all viable food operations,"
have been submitted for the
vacant building at 8050 Main
Street. Dettling will make a
recommendation to enter into
a lease agreement with one
of three at the next Council
meeting.

Known for its high turnover of food establishments, the building was recently being considered to house a permanent public restroom facility by council. Estimated to cost between \$3,000 and \$5,000, the option was taken off the table Monday evening due to lack of Council support, mainly because of problematic issues like security and maintenance. Still, President Shawn Keough and Carson continue to favor the idea. "I think restrooms are the best use for that building in the long-term," said Carson. "This is a first-class village that hosts first-class events. Port-a-johns are unacceptable.'

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting is Monday, November 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the senior center building.



Call for an appointment Cologia Colog

Robo-Calls Invade Homes As Political Season Nears The End

By Lucy Silverio Shortly before dinner, the phone rings, you pick it up, and the caller starts talking immediately, "This is Cheryl", (you think for a split second what Cheryl?) "and as a voter I am feeling appalled by state house candidate Gretchen Driskell. Gretchen Driskell voted to raise her salary 8 times as mayor. Gretchen Driskell even spent almost \$35,000 in taxpayer money to travel across the country. Gretchen Driskell has taken enough of our taxpayer dollars for her own pocket. Tell Gretchen it is time to get her hand out of our pocket books."

The 30 second call brings to mind a power hungry politician, jetting around the country, getting rich at tax payer expense. The visual image brought to mind by the statement "time to get her hand out of our pocketbooks" is especially powerful. Our personal property is being invaded.

We are being invaded by robo-calls and spin. Both sides participate and with an, at best, semi-informed electorate it could have an unfortunately powerful effect on election results.

A similar call went out about the incumbent, state house representative Mark Ouimet, with something to the effect of, "Mark Ouimet drove 6,000 seniors out of their homes." Images of Ouimet barging into the houses of old people grabbing them by the nape of the neck and throwing them into the street are brought forth. How could anyone vote for either of these evil people?

The truth is a funny thing if you only hear part of it. Upon investigation it appears that the robo-call claim about Ouimet forcing 6,000 seniors out of their homes is probably a reaction to HB 4526 which, Ouimet voted for that reduced home care availability.

Gretchen Driskell has been mayor of Saline for 14 years. According to Diane Hill, City Clerk for Saline, Driskell's salary in 1999 was \$3,200 and by 2009 it had risen to its current rate of \$4,000 per year. In Saline the Local Compensation Commission, a citizen advisory committee, recommends wage increases based on comparable cities. lason Lindauer, Mayor of Chelsea, which is about half the size of Saline gets paid approximately \$4,600. According to a report at AnnArbor.com, Driskell and the Saline City Council voted down the commission's recommended raise for the last four years.

The taxpayer money to travel across the country is a similar case. As Mayor, Driskell is given a \$4,000 allowance to travel to meetings and conferences. The almost \$35,000 is over a 14 year period that she has been mayor.

State Representative Mark Ouimet returned a call for comment and wanted to be clear that he had not

called to complain. Ouimet agreed campaign material is misleading. "Over half of the things that have been sent out by them (the groups for Driskell and the Driskell campaign itself) have not passed fact check but all of our things have passed fact check." Ouimet said he didn't know who the fact check group is but said it is a third party independent sources. His assistant was supposed to call back with the data but did not as of press time.

Communications director for the Driskell campaign, Alex Yerkey, said he to deplores the political mudslinging. Yerkey was regretful that candidates do not have an opportunity to screen what goes out to support them from political action campaigns (PACs). He pointed out that at least with campaign mailers the recipient can see who paid to send out the information but with robocalls "it is like the wild west, you can say anything you want, as anonymously as you want, without breaking any laws."

There have been various reform packages since 2005 that included legislation to stop robo-calls in Michigan from being anonymous and a recent proposal by Diane Kowell R-White Lake Township to allow voters to put themselves on do not call lists. Many harassed cooks and diners hope for action soon.

Local Doctor Receives Chiropractic Award

Dr. Lisa Olszewski of Chelsea Received the 2012 "Rising Star Award" from the Michigan Association of Chiropractors. Dr. Olszewski operates Precision Spinal at 1600 Commerce Park Drive.

Each year, the Michigan
Association of Chiropractors
(MAC) presents its Rising
Star award "in appreciation
of members who are stepping
above and beyond for the
chiropractic profession by
taking on leadership roles." Dr.
Olszewski currently represents
District 4 (which includes
Washtenaw County) on the
MAC Board of Directors.

A Palmer College of Chiropractic graduate, Dr. Olszewski became the first student from Palmer ever elected as National Chairperson of the Student American Chiropractic Association (SACA). She was an active leader within numerous clubs, classes, and organizations and has received various awards demonstrating her commitment to excellence - including the 2002 "Member of the Year" (SACA), the John Connolly Memorial Award (Outstanding Graduate) (Palmer College), and the 2002-2003 Member of the Year (Palmer Student ACA).

Dr. Olszewski is also an active member of the American Chiropractic Association

and National Upper Cervical

Chiropractic Association.
Dr. Olszewski completed
her undergraduate studies at
Grand Valley State University,
where she received her
Bachelor of Science degree in
Biomedical Science. She is a
member of the Chelsea Area
Chamber of Commerce and a
member of the Chelsea BNI
Chapter.







Lack of Basic Care and Attention to the Longworth Complex

During the public comment segment at the Sept CDDA meeting Tom Girard, city resident and engineer at the U of M, 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 Board member for twelve 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 Heydlauff, 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 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 it's appearance and upkeep. After a series of presentations, evaluations and visioning to the DDA Board, 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 #1 when a property is purchased: 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 adaptively 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 reuse 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. (The process being tedious because it involved: creation of a «Request for Proposal» [«RFP»] which is a written question/answer document of many pages, potential buyers requesting the «RFP» because it had to be completed to be considered a potential purchaser, completion of the RFP, committee review of the completed version of the RFP and then, committee accepted RFP's went to the board for their review). This is a lengthy, time consuming process.

At this point, a number of the DDA Board 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 prospect 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. Its 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 Chelsea

Pat Kelly is the Right Choice for Dexter Township

I have lived in Dexter ·Township for over 20 years. During that time, I have had several interactions with the Township offices and with Township Supervisor Pat Kelly. I have always found Pat to be someone of the highest integrity. She listens 'to township citizens and is determined to give each situation the consideration it

deserves. As a homeowner, I have found Pat to be very attentive to my concerns, even when they have come up against those who may have been more evocal, or who felt they should • have special treatment. Pat treats everyone with respect and holds everyone to the same rules, as government `should.

I will be voting for Pat Kelly for Township Supervisor because I know that she always has the best interests of Dexter Township and its citizens in mind. I am confident that she will help preserve the rural character of our township. I will vote for Pat because she is level-headed, considerate, and thoughtful in all matters that impact the area that I call home.

I will vote for Pat Kelly because I know that Pat prefers to play fair, not play

Please join me in returning Pat Kelly to the office of Dexter Township Supervisor. Dexter Township

People Post

A Board That Maintains Respect

I am writing in regards to the November Election, Unadilla Township, and our current Supervisor Linda Walker.

I wanted to express how efficient and wonderful our current board is. This is a board that maintains respect for one another. Township issues are discussed civilly, and although we do not always agree on the issues, decisions are made calmly. A large piece of the harmony is due to our

Supervisor, Linda Walker. She creates an atmosphere where all voices can be heard without harsh judgment. In addition, you can be sure that Supervisor Walker tries her best to always look out for the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Unadilla.

I hope everyone will consider casting their vote for Linda Walker on November 6th. Lori Cowan Unadilla Township

Concerning The Livery In Chelsea

For nearly three years, I have been following the news concerning the livery in Chelsea, a site I visited in the 1990s as the author of Great American Railroad Stations. This 570-page book was commissioned by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and published by John Wiley & Sons. The foreword was written by the late U.S. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, who was responsible for the massive restoration and adaptive use of Union Station in Washington, D.C.

My extensive articles about historic transportation and adaptive use of railroad stations have appeared in numerous scholarly publications. In addition, I am the principal interviewee in two hour-long documentary films produced for The History Channels: one on the renowned Grand Central Terminal and the other on Manhattan's original Pennsylvania Station.

For Great American Railroad Stations, which covers every state in the country, I conducted direct investigations and held consultations with hundreds of historians, architects, entrepreneurs, transportation specialists, librarians, and state historic preservation officers. The book has an extensive essay on the

social and architectural history of the building type. It then profiles more than 700 extant depots (of all sizes), the most significant in the country. One of these is the Chelsea railroad

Among the criteria for a station to be considered, "context" was extremely important. Is the station still in its original location? Are the tracks still there? Do trains still run on these tracks? And-very relevant to Chelsea-do any railroadrelated buildings survive in the vicinity of the station? Such auxiliary buildings tell the story of a station and vastly increase its historical and educational significance. Few places retain them. Chelsea is extraordinary and, in my view, literally unique in retaining not only the first hotel but also the livery. In my research, I uncovered no equivalent situation. An extremely limited number of railroad hotels remain; I know of no liveries whatsoever. A livery was an integral and critical part of a railroad station complex in the 19th and early 20th centuries. The loss of this building would affect not only Chelsea, but also the history of everyday life in the United States. Janet Greenstein-Potter Philadelphia; Pennsylvania (215) 247-1836

Learn from History to Direct Your Vote

Dexter Township residents will choose a Supervisor this election and party politics have nothing to do with their qualifications or expected agendas."

The last time James Drolett ran for re-election as Supervisor, he was defeated by John Sdao, a complete novice to public service, because Mr. Drolett had lost his focus as a public servant.

Specifically, when the sewer project for Portage and Baseline Lakes, chaired by Mr. Drolett was before the public for consideration, the public was so distrustful of the representations made that a group was able to stop the project with a referendum vote, leaving Dexter Township holding the bag for the to-date project costs. The Township Trustees had to select a new representative, who Mr. Drolett voted against, to get things turned around so the objectors no longer were foes of the project and it then could be completed and Dexter Township get off the hook for project costs.

When the North Lake area folks indicated interest in a sewer, Mr. Drolett worked hard to make that happen, being able to draw on experience he had learned from the Portage-Base project. But the Township Trustees wouldn't make Mr. Drolett one of four Dexter Township representatives on the Multi-Lakes Authority Board so the miffed Mr. Drolett let those inexperienced folks twist in the wind and screw up the startup of that Authority. And that Authority is still struggling in

part because of that. One certainly hopes that one's judgment would improve with age but it doesn't look like it to this writer. Mr. Drolett now proposes that he as Township Supervisor elect and his wife Elizabeth Brushaber as Township Treasurer elect be a part of the Township Board of Trustees, with that household then having two of the seven votes on that Board. That does not appear to be good democratic representation for the rest of the township.

And while speaking of Ms. Brushaber, I note she wants, "revisions" to the present zoning ordinance in her political posturing but also note that she has voted in favor or every change to replace the 1973 zoning ordinance including the 2003 first-edition that was defeated by another township referendum: Except for present Trustee incumbent Carl Lesser, the entire Board then approved another terrible new zoning ordinance with the notion we'll fix it after it is in place. That's like saying let's drill for oil and then clean up the mess. This has been both time consuming and very expensive.

Our incumbent Supervisor, Pat Kelly was a part of this Board action but acknowledges the zoning ordinance "needs fixing" and feels some progress has been made and there is more to do. I think she has learned from the Board's mistakes. And she is honest. I suggest we give her more

string..... I am aware the "steeple people" feel Dexter Township gave the Methodist Church a hard time over zoning fees but they were only treating the church like any other applicant and apparently the church folks didn't think that should be. No incumbent should be punished for following the law or being even-handed. If the law is wrong, change the law!

Dana Bullen is easily as qualified to be Township Treasurer as her opponent and does not come with the baggage that her husband will be Township Supervisor. Tom Ehman Portage Lake



Endorsement for Pat Kelly, Dexter Township Supervisor

Many positive changes have come to Dexter Township through Pat Kelly. In the mid-1990's before Pat was involved with local government, I attended numerous Township meetings and discovered that it was difficult if not impossible to have a voice and to gain a listening ear.

My first Pat Kelly experience was when she served as chair on the ZBA (Zoning Board of Appeals). It was very refreshing to attend her meetings and observe communication exchanges occur with the interest, passion and respect that is always present with Pat Kelly.

Our paths have crossed repeatedly over the years regarding any number of Township issues. Most recently, I have worked with Pat as she channeled her energy, passion, enthusiasm and leadership skills toward improving public safety for Dexter Township. She led this charge by championing the formation of a Dexter Township Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC). It has been my pleasure to serve on the PSAC during the past 2+ years. Pat's leadership has been instrumental in forming the PSAC and helping our 11 members get up to speed and take flight so that we could, fulfill our responsibilities.

Pat is always fair, respectful and has the best interests of residents in mind as she collaborates to ensure great things are accomplished in Dexter Township, Today, thanks to her leadership, we have great fire and police protection. We now have a Dexter Township Substation that is manned at all times.

This is critical to the township as more than 60% of all emergency (Fire Department) calls are medical or life threatening in nature. For these, reducing distance and response times can make a huge difference in survival rates. Prior to the PSAC, about 50% of residents were within 5 miles of a fire station and 43% of residents could be reached within 8 minutes. Now thanks to Pat's leadership, 99% of Dexter Township residents are within 5 miles of a fire station and 83% of residents are within 8 minutes response time. These vastly improved protective services actually cost the Township less per year than if nothing had been done but preserve the status quo.

After the March 15th Tornado hit the Dexter area, the value of a manned substation became clearly evident, particularly when the north and south areas of the Township were disconnected by the swath of destruction along Dexter Pinckney Road.

Pat led Township recovery efforts and donated of her time endlessly so that recovery efforts could proceed to the full benefit of many Dexter Township residents who were adversely impacted by the tornado.

As township supervisor, Pat Kelly is a dedicated, passionate, collaborative and effective communicator who routinely goes above and beyond the call of duty. Dexter Township is a great place to live thanks to Pat's excellent participatory leadership. David J. R. Waymann, Dexter Township Resident of 16 years

Scott Cooper - Falsely Attacked Is Best Choice for Sylvan Township

As to the so-called June I am the President of the 2012 "incident," the facts are Cavanaugh Lake Association. consistent with the behavior I did not want to get involved outlined in the first paragraph here but I cannot let the latest and are: (1) the Legion knew Chapter of an outrageous it needed 1-day permits for the smear campaign against Scott June event - the same 1-day Cooper over a June 2012 permits it obtained a year American Legion Heroes event earlier - but decided to ignore on Cavanaugh Lake continue the law and go without; (2) the unchecked by reality. I ask you permits needed dealt with Lifeto consider that prior to the Safety issues, requiring the 1st Presidential debate, Mitt Legion to describe how health Romney allegedly are babies emergencies, etc. would be for breakfast and inflicted handled (important?); (3) TWP cancer on people at night officials knew of the event and Unfortunately there are no that permits were needed but debates to dispel the myths looked the other way (again), about Scott Cooper so I will concluding later that permits try. Last week's 10/23/12 Sun should have been pulled (so Times People posts are "hit TWP officials then "piled on" pieces" on Scott - one by my Scott to distract from their fellow Lake resident, David own complicit conduct); (4) Seitz, Mr. Seitz purports to Scott Cooper was instrumental assess the "maturity" level in gaining permit approval of candidates, but somehow of the first "Hereo's on the allowed himself to adopt a Water" through the Planning false narrative perpetuated Commission in 2011 and in by some Legion members getting the TWP to refund/ and TWP Officials, Indeed, waive the \$900+ permit fee in the Legion membership 2011; and (5) on that Saturday (some, not all) has unclean in June (as he was walking his hands. It might surprise those dog), Scott, as TWP Trustee, following this fairy-tale that pointed out the violation of two there had been significant (2) ordinances but he never communications between sought to stop the event at the myself (Lake Association) and Legion. The "Urban Legend" the Commander of the Legion, of the June encounter has feff Gunnis (and others) - we grown and, unless you want the discussed various concerns of label of anti-Legion or anti-Vet. residents (e.g. garbage/pinc you must accept the "story" trees left on the ice, wild lateand dismiss the possibility night 80-90 mph snowmobile that even Legion members races and uncontrolled can shade the truth to justify launching of boats at the Legion property). We found common ground resulting in better oversight of Legion sponsored events, reduced transient boat launchings and better all around relations as neighbors. In about July 2012, I learned that Jeff Gunnis had retired to "Up North." Mr. Gunnis could not explain why the new Legion. leaders had not contacted me months carlier to continue what were well-known lines of communication that both Jeff. and I thought had worked well enough. Having unilaterally shutdown communications, the Legion gave no notice to Lake residents of the June event until the many kayaks spilled onto the Lake that Saturday morning (with a near collision with a speed boat). To my knowledge, all Lake residents support the American Legion and our veterans and welcome these type of events. What many object to is the TWP's

"anything goes" attitude

and strict, often costly, by-

the-book enforcement of

Ordinances against most

TWP).

toward the Legion's activities

in a residential neighborhood

residents (except friends of the

their own less than exemplary conduct. Maybe it's just possible that Legion members reacted harshly to being calledout for knowingly trying to side-step the permits they knew they needed (and got in 2011). Noteworthy is that the "Destroy Cooper" campaign never mentions that Scott was right or that the Legion was far from blameless. Hike Bob Lange (we have had our disagreements though) but in my opinion, he is not the best choice to address the very real tasks at hand - this TWP still faces many serious issues that will require decisive action. Bob Lange puts off or avoids tough choices in my view. And the spats with Chelsea go back many years, but Bob has not been able to mend that fence (if he tried) and, without giving away the TWP, that fence needs mending now (even if Chelsea owes 40% of the water tower debt). For this and other reasons, I strongly urge the voters to elect Scott Cooper as Supervisor of Sylvan Township. Brad Knickerbocker Sylvan TWP Resident



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