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NEWS BRIEFS

Beach school to hold parent conferences

Beach Middle School will hold parent-teacher conferences from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. March 4 in the gym and cafeteria of the school. The format will be similar to fall conferences when the school had arena-style discussions. School officials ask that conferences be limited to seven minutes so a greater number of parents can be seen.

Also, students will be dismissed at 11:20 a.m. March 5. Parents should make arrangements for a half day of school Friday.

Planners OK modifications for restaurant

Chelsea Planning Commission approved changes to Wendy's restaurant's site plan Jan. 16. The commission voted unanimously to allow the restaurant to install sliding garage doors instead of double doors for the restaurant's garbage enclosure.

Wendy's applied for the change, saying that it would fully enclose the trash. The new doors would also allow garbage haulers to remove the trash without having to make the doors taller, something most planning commissioners didn't want.

Students advance to merit finals

Chelsea High School students Isaac Robinovitz and Erik Strahler have been named as finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. The designation makes them eligible for scholarship money when they go to college next year.

The two were named semi-finalists in the fall from the results of their Preliminary SAT tests. Robinovitz and Strahler then turned in an application form to be considered as finalists.

The two friends said last fall that they plan to study astrophysics at the University of Michigan next year.

Team seeks funds for bypass study

By Eric Bowen
Staff Writer

Faced with the prospect of spending up to \$300,000 for an environmental study of the proposed M-52 bypass, the Chelsea Area Traffic Committee asked local business leaders Friday to pitch in to cover the cost.

The team has received pledges from

several area agencies for a total of \$250,000 if all plans go through. But the team is asking local businesses to pick up the remainder of the cost.

"What we're going to ask from you is to make up funding shortfalls," said County Commissioner Joe Yekulis, who is chairman of the committee. "This is a very important public-private collabora-

tion to benefit the entire community."

As it stands, the committee hopes to receive \$50,000 each from Chelsea Village Council, the Urban Area Transportation Study committee, Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and a state community development block grant. The Downtown Development Authority and the

Washtenaw County Road Commission have said they will chip in \$25,000 each, bringing the total to \$250,000.

Consultants JJR Inc. proposed that they could do the work for \$324,000. But Yekulis told the committee that by knocking down the scope, the price tag has been lowered to approximately

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A fire damaged Scrapmasters factory on Dexter-Chelsea Road at noon Saturday. Chelsea Fire Department had the blaze under control in approximately three hours but not before the fire burned a 30-foot wide hole in the wall.

Fire breaks out at Scrapmasters factory

By Michael Rybka

Staff Writer

A fire broke out around noon on Saturday, Feb. 20, at Scrapmasters, located in the area of N. Fletcher and Dexter-Chelsea roads.

Chelsea Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood said his department had the blaze under control by 3 p.m.

Scrapmasters refurbishes defective plastic products from various industries. It has been at its present location for three years.

Scrapmasters owner Keith Hansen said on Monday that the fire burned a 30-foot hole in a side wall, a 20-foot hole in the ceiling, ruined 15,000 pounds of plastic material and destroyed a 28-foot

semi trailer.

There were no personal injuries as Scrapmasters does not employ a weekend shift.

Hansen described the overall damage to his business as closer to an inconvenience than a devastation.

The incident was brought to the attention of the Chelsea Fire Department by a citizen who reported a vehicular fire. An investigation is being conducted to determine whether the blaze was caused by arson or natural causes.

"We certainly don't know of anyone who'd be out to get us," Hansen said. "But our isolated location provides easy access for mischief."

Ellenwood said his team is look-

ing into an electrical cause. A full report is expected by today.

Although the heat was enough to ruin 15,000 pounds of material, Hansen said very little of his stock actually burned — the majority of the flames being fed by cardboard boxes and wooden pallets.

Only a skeleton crew was on hand Monday, Hansen said, not because of the fire's effects per se, but because the factory was still awaiting its power, which was cut off intentionally as a standard safety precaution, to be restored.

Hansen discovered the fire firsthand as it was already being fought when he arrived there about 1:15 p.m. with the intention of doing some office work.

Flagstar staff helps solve bank heist

By Michael Rybka

Staff Writer

Chelsea Police Chief Lenard McDougall credits two Flagstar bank employees for foiling the second bank robbery attempt in four weeks.

The employees, known only as Michelle and Lisa, were outside taking a smoke break at about 12:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16, when they recognized the car driving southbound on M-52 as the same one driven by the man who robbed them at knife point on Jan. 28.

"If it wasn't for them," McDougall said, "that guy would still be out robbing banks."

The suspect is Dennis Lee Mast, 45, of Perrinton.

The two bank employees placed a call to the Chelsea Police and the FBI.

After a patrol of the area failed to locate the car, McDougall said Chelsea Officer Jeff Staebler parked his patrol car in an alley between The Parts Peddler and Palmer Ford while FBI agent Gene Ward waited inside the bank.

Once again, the car was seen by Staebler heading southbound. As Staebler pursued the suspect, he saw the car pass him in a northbound direction.

After making a U-turn, Staebler followed the suspect. While Staebler conducted a vehicle check that showed the license plate belonged to a completely different make of car, the suspect pulled into Polly's parking lot.

The suspect got out of his car and brought out a bag of returnable cans. McDougall said this was a cover to remove the false license plate which was attached over the proper one by way of magnets.

McDougall said Staebler was reluctant to make the arrest inside the grocery store and back-up units covered all exits.

Looking in from the outside, Staebler noticed the suspect head for the bottle and can recycling area and, with the assistance of a police dog, arrested the man as he exited out of an adjoining doorway.

McDougall said Staebler's impression was that the suspect would have tried to make a run

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Longtime secretary Klemer's life spent searching for the perfect punchline

By Eric Bowen

Staff Writer

Miriam Klemer was a jokester, always ready with a bit of wit to bring a smile to the lips of her co-workers and friends. The former secretary to the superintendent of schools would jest with anyone who walked by, even if it meant calling them at 11:30 at night to lay on them the newest line she had heard.

So when Klemer died last week, her friends said they would remember her humor not with sorrow, but with a happiness that she had a full life.

"She filled the world with laughter and nurturing," said Memarie Walter, a longtime friend and co-worker. "She just took such care of people that when you think about that, there's nothing to feel empty about, except now she's not here doing it."

Klemer worked for the school

district for 22 years, lending her typing and organizational skills to four superintendents during her tenure. Fred Mills, who was assistant superintendent for much of her career and a good friend of her family, described Klemer as an efficient worker who cared about the district.

Aside from her secretarial duties, Klemer worked tirelessly on the school district's scholarship committee. Mills said she was the de-facto historian of the group, making sure that the hard-working students received their money without delay.

Superintendent Ed Richardson said that during the three years he worked with Klemer he was touched by her humor and loyalty to the district. At her retirement party two years ago, Richardson said, her good-bye cake read, "Simply the best," a descrip-

tion Klemer deserved.

"When I first came to the district," Richardson said, "I knew that she wouldn't be able to stay forever, but I did ask her to stay for 100 years. The three years I was with her were gifts."

Her work inside the school district was well-respected, but Klemer's outside interests were where she spent much of her energy, Walter said. She served as secretary for both the Lima Township Board and the Chelsea Area Fire Association, and was a member of Chelsea First United Methodist Church.

Klemer was an accomplished musician, having played in a band with her husband, Earl, early in their marriage. She was also a first-class cook and seamstress, and raised three children, Diane, David and Daniel.

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Miriam Klemer, a longtime secretary for the Chelsea School District, had wit to spare for her large group of family and friends. She is pictured here in a 1997 photo with her husband, Earl. Klemer died Feb. 16.

Moffett takes risk to switch to Chelsea schools in mid-career

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Council candidates prime themselves for March 8 election

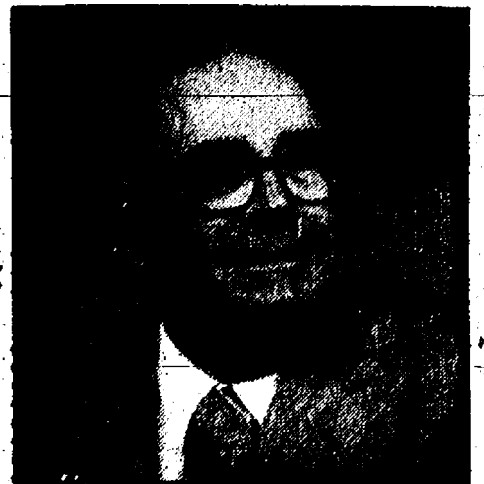
With eight candidates vying for votes, the upcoming Village Council election March 8 promises to be a tight race. The council hopefuls are ratcheting up their campaigns, with newcomers checking in on council proceedings and incumbents citing their unfinished business.

The candidates' backgrounds are varied, but their concerns are similar: most candidates said growth was a top concern. Yet, the candidates vary in their approaches to village government.

This election three two-year terms and one one-year term to finish out the unexpired term of Richard Rigg, are up for a vote. No one filed to run for assessor or clerk.

The candidates for the two-year positions are Charles Ritter, Janice Ortring, Robert Clark, Brian Cashman, Todd Thurkow, Joe Merkel and Jim Myles. Robert MacLeod is the sole candidate for the one-year term.

The following questions and answers come from a questionnaire sent to all candidates. The order of the candidates reflects the order the surveys were received at our office.



Charles Ritter

Charles S. Ritter Jr.

Charles Ritter, 78, is a retired Chelsea and Lansing business owner who has lived in the village for 60 years. He served as village president from 1980 to 1981, when he said he worked toward halting runaway taxes and giving the village back to the citizens of Chelsea.

Ritter is vice chairman of the Chelsea Historic District Commission, former commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a member of the Disabled American Veterans and the Retired Officers Association. During his work years, Ritter was named a manufacturers' representative.

Ritter attended Parsons College and the U.S. Army Provost Marshall's School, retiring from the service as a First Lieutenant. He has two daughters, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ritter is running for a two-year term.

Why are you running for Village Council?
To strengthen the decision-making ability of the council, and strengthen the council's resolve and ability to stick with decisions once made. Since I have retired from my career, I will be available to attend to village business all day, every day.

What do you hope to achieve during your time in office?

- Establish a historic district to preserve and protect the historic character of our beautiful village.

- Develop a master plan to guide future growth.

What are the top three issues that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

- Control property taxes to prevent an undue burden on all taxing citizens.
- Support all projects that are important to our village, without asking village taxpayers to take on unnecessary township burdens.

- Work toward Chelsea's becoming a city.

What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

- Established a Historic District Commission.
- Undertaken a comprehensive master plan.

What are some goals you have set for the next two years with regards to your tenure on the council?

- Establish historic district.
- Implement master plan.
- Reduce property taxes by careful control of expenses.

Janice M. Ortring

Janice Ortring, 29, is co-owner of Edgar Norman Creative, an advertising agency located in the village. She purchased a historic home in the village in 1990, but married



Janice Ortring

ried into a family with a 100 year history in the village as residents and business owners.

Ortring is a member of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, a charter member of the Chamber's Ambassadors, a member of the Chamber's Web Site Committee, and a member of the Chelsea District Library Millage Campaign Team. She is involved at St. Mary Catholic Church, has volunteered advertising and gift generation support for the St. Louis School auction, and has provided marketing for numerous non-profit groups pro-bono.

Ortring cites her experience as her greatest work-related achievement. She has worked for large companies, such as Disney, Mattel, Sega and Staples, but also focuses on the needs of smaller businesses in the village. For one of her clients, she created a sales promotion whose investment was \$1,000 and returned \$3 million in annual income. She received no award for the achievement because the main ingredient was putting people in motion for a more targeted and personal service approach.

Ortring has a bachelor's degree in graphic design from the Center for Creative Studies, Detroit. She and her husband, Todd, have two sons, 3-year-old Blake and two-year-old Grant.

Ortring is running for a two-year term.

Why are you running for Village Council?
We have invested our family (and their fortune) and our business into this village, and I want to protect my investments.

What do you hope to achieve during your time in office?

To do a great job for the people in the village. I'm not a candidate with an agenda — except to say that I'm in favor of doing what's right.

I would also like to change the perception of the council from being the "Supreme Court" and am willing to do what's necessary to help our businesses thrive, our citizens be heard and the future of the village successfully preserved. What are the top three issues that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

Since the question was prefaced with concern, I can only come up with one — growth. Not that growth in and of itself is a concern but the way the village handles growth is a concern. Issues within growth are:

- Implementing a master plan to include the bypass while working with our tireless planning commission, Chelsea Area Planning Team, and local townships to keep a focused eye on the growth and development of the village.
- With growth comes new construction and retro-fitting (or demolition) of old buildings. I am a supporter of our history and will work with the historic commission to ensure our past is part of our future.
- McKune House as the site for Chelsea District Library.

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- Work with our schools to ensure that they continuously rank among the best and do not compromise teacher-student ratios.
- Work with the Washtenaw Development Council (and others) to add new kinds of business and industries so that more people can live and work in the village. Work with our dedicated DDA for additional business recruitment and support the development of the downtown business district.

Tomorrow's village services: water, fire, police, emergency and so on. Keeping Chelsea up to date with technology, the infrastructure of our business landscape to recruit and support high bandwidth requirements. The village is changing. We need to ensure the growth in population (residential and commercial) is equaled with the proper services.

What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

- The streetscape project is a great investment in the village and we should work to protect it.
- There is a wonderful sense of community involvement from the organizations, groups and clubs as well as planned events like the Fair, Concerts in the Park and Art in the Park.
- I have experienced excellent village services from prompt snow removal to reliable police attention.
- We have enjoyed a wealth of new businesses to expand our downtown livelihood and we've seen great improvements with our landmarks like the Clock Tower.
- Because I'm a mom, my family and I spend a large amount of time in Timbertown and Pierce Park and appreciate their clean, friendly atmosphere.
- The CATS bus.

What are some goals you have set for the next two years with regards to your tenure on the council?

There is only one goal — to put the people of the Village of Chelsea first and do what's right including pro-active support for the village merchants, residents and services for the village itself.

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believes everyone should take part in the process of developing the future of our community.

He is a lifelong resident of the village. He is single with no children.

Clark is running for a two-year term.

Why are you running for Village Council?

I am running for council because of my concern for the community as well as my interest in politics.

What do you hope to achieve during your time in office?

I would like to take part in the comprehensive plan for the community and have input on a new facility for the police, fire and village offices that makes economic sense for the taxpayers.

What are the top three issues that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

One of the issues concerning the village is the condition of our infrastructure. The water and sewer lines are in dire need of replacement and this needs addressing immediately.

Secondly, the taxes in the village are a serious issue. It is of great concern to our senior citizens who cannot afford to stay in their homes that they have lived in for many years. I would hate to see this become an exclusive community by taxing our current residents out.

Third, the development pressures we are experiencing now are a concern. I would like to see the general development plan completed to assist the planning commission with their decisions. And I would like to see the village concentrate on the land currently inside our borders and not annex any more land for projects unless they are benefit to the village, and not just a benefit to the developers.

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I also think that the street improvement program has been successful. However, the water and sewer lines should be replaced as well when these projects are being done. What are some goals you have set for the next two years with regards to your tenure on the council?

- Settling the location of the police, fire and village offices. This process has gone on far too long.
- I would like to see a plan from the village manager as to his goals and ideas for the future needs of the village and how they can be funded.
- I would like to see money being set aside for future projects concerning the village so that extra bonds or taxes are not needed for funding.
- I would like to see the city status issue decided.

What are the top three issues that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

The village, and the council in particular, lacks a comprehensive strategic plan. Creating one would be one of my goals.

The village's financial picture is increasingly bleak. Every year revenue is constrained (by Headlee) or reduced by the legislature (state shared revenue). Expenses aren't similarly constrained. We struggle finding the funds to pay for many things. We need to work harder on securing grants and alternative funding sources.

All other issues such as infrastructure and development pressure are, in my opinion, subsidiary to these. Without addressing these two issues, we'll never adequately address any other.

We scramble to react to things or never completely follow through because we're not sure of the long-term impact of what we decide or how we'll pay for it. It's always easiest to defer a decision.

What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

- We have begun to put together a capital improvement plan.
- We have almost completed the process of updating our general development plan.
- We authorized the expenditure of funds to revise our zoning.

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ing ordinances.

- We are in the process of expanding our wastewater treatment plant capacity.
- We are discussing the addition of another electrical substation.
- We are negotiating the formation of an area-wide fire authority.

What are some goals you have set for the next two years with regard to your tenure on the council?

I have one goal: to determine what our set of goals is, that is, form a plan. Until we do that, we react. I think while everyone on the council has a general goal of taking the community in the right direction, we disagree on how to do that and so we struggle with many decisions.

Todd Thurkow

Todd Thurkow, 28, is a self-employed truck driver who has lived in the Chelsea area his entire life and the village for 22 years. He graduated from Chelsea High School and has taken classes at Washtenaw Community College.

Thurkow is secretary and treasurer for the Gambrian Church of St. Libertinus in Chelsea. For his trucking record he has earned numerous safe-driving awards, a half-million miles award and a three-year sticker.

Thurkow has never held a public office, though he did make an unsuccessful run for the council. He also was a member of junior firefighters while in high school. He is single with no children.

Thurkow is running for a two-year term.

Why are you running for Village Council?

The growth and the infrastructure are all really important, but the village hierarchy is losing touch with the individual person. My main concern is to keep Chelsea as much Chelsea as possible while the growth happens around us.

What do you hope to achieve during your time in office?

To give the individual person a voice. For instance, how many times have they changed the water bill without giving us notice. Everybody screams about it but there's nothing they can do.

There are certain things the residents question, but don't do anything about. I'd be the guy to answer questions on the council.

What are the top three issues

that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

- Growth and infrastructure. I would take that on a per case basis. Who wants to put a building where and who wants to improve this.
- Fire authority. That's a big issue going on right now. I'm leaning toward the fire authority but I need to delve into it more to make a decision.

• Village Hall. The village really does need a hall. I don't know why the village decided to rent space from the bank instead of buying the old Sylvan Township Hall. Paying to renovate a building instead of renting from the bank would be a viable alternative.

The old village hall is fine too. They were in there for the longest amount of time. That's definitely something to look into. Obviously you want the best amount of building for the least amount of cost. I'm frugal on where my tax dollars are spent.

What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

The council is looking into the problems individually and I think they're progressing well.

Rite Aid is an issue. The council started at point A, did a flip-flop. Aren't we supposed to wait until we get the report back?

The police department is great in this town. I think they might be a little underfunded. We have spent money on other things that the police and fire departments could use.

I think there are some major issues that need to be resolved.

What are some goals you have set for the next two years with regard to your tenure on the council?

I would like to see the fire authority thing resolved either one way or the other. That's something that's been brought up and shot down several times.

The master plan needs to be resolved. The zoning ordinances need to be rewritten. I'd like to see that resolved in a timely manner.

Joseph M. Merkel

Joe Merkel, 52, has been a business owner in Chelsea for 31 years and has served on the Village Council for nine terms. During his tenure he has seen the installation of the Zoning Board of Appeals and Chelsea Planning Commission, among countless decisions on council matters.



Joseph Merkel

As owner of the Wolverine Food and Spirits, Merkel has donated his time and money to school, community and non-profit organizations. He is a member of St. Mary Catholic Church, American Legion, Knights of Columbus, Chelsea Community Fair Board, Chelsea Rod and Gun Club, Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, Ducks Unlimited, Northern American Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Water Fowl USA, National Restaurant Association and Michigan Licensee Beverage Association.

Merkel completed one year of college and served in the Army Military Police. He and his wife, Judy, have three children, Joseph, 32, Mike, 30, and Christian, 20.

Merkel is running for a two-year term in office.

Why are you running for Village Council?

To clean up the projects that have been started by the council and myself in the past two years.

What do you hope to achieve during your time in office?

- Bypass project.
- Infrastructure of water and sewer expansion.
- New water supply.
- Fire Department project.
- New or remodeled village office.
- New building or housing for the police department.

What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

- Library should be a district library.
- Area-wide fire department.
- Moved village office to the

bank building for the time being.

What are some of the goals you have set for the next two years with regard to your tenure on the council?

I believe I need to serve the community for the next two years to finish up the projects that have been started in the community. After that, nothing would make me happier than to see a new council person fill the seat.

My loss in the election last year made me realize that as much as I would like things to remain the same, they are going to change. My belief in this came because of a very successful business and community involvement that I have had in the past.

Now I realize the feeling I have for this community. There are things I want to share with people coming into Chelsea. Newcomers are not a threat to our village, but people with which we can share something that old-timers like me already know about our community and that newcomers are eager to embrace.

Jim Myles

Jim Myles, 48, works as a restoration contractor and builder and has served on the council for two years. Myles has been a resident of Chelsea for five years.

Myles is a member of the Rotary Club; a board member of the Downtown Development Authority, a liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals, a board member of Preservation Chelsea, a committee member



Jim Myles

of the Timber Town playground project, a member of Chelsea Chamber of Commerce and a member of the ways and means committee for the village.

Myles has a bachelor's degree in sociology with a minor in juvenile behavior from George Mason University in Virginia. He and his wife, Kim, have one son, J.J., who lives in Frederick, Md.

What are the top three issues that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

- Downtown development. I led and participated in the DDA representative in the

downtown parking study and improvement action plan. Our businesses downtown now have more three-hour parking spaces available for the customers and clients.

Business owners and their employees, who have been using the three-hour limit spaces for all-day parking, are now more often utilizing designated all day parking locations. Attention to this matter will be ongoing.

Planning. We are finally beginning to plan and save for the future. We have been dealing with our infrastructure on an as-needed or emergency basis. That approach is way too expensive and does not solve the long-term needs. Looking at all components of our infrastructure and determining the priority of each improvement need, will go a long way towards effectively planning our future money needs.

We currently have a new comprehensive master plan in the works. This is a necessity for our community. Updating our master plan and our ordinances will guide all our future.

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ture decisions in our community. The enforceability of our Master Plan depends upon the ordinances, and gives the Planning Commission a strong, sound foundation to work from. I strongly support these two steps and encourage all to get involved when the time comes for more public input.

- Continued participation in permanent village office site evaluation and selection. Since the fall of 1998, analysis of renovation costs to the downtown building we currently own have been ongoing. I am involved once again in this project. While our efforts continue, the building we own sits half empty and approximately \$70,000 per year of your tax dollars are satisfying a lease obligation. Rent money is better spent on improvements to property you own.

I believe that I have been elected by citizens who expect me to act in a fiscally responsible manner and make fiscally responsible choices. I support the renovation of the building we own downtown.

- Other important issues include infrastructure, the fire authority, the regional library and keeping the post office in the village.

What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

- Improved communication. We took needed action for better information distribution by and between council members. Each council trustee acts as a liaison to other governing bodies in the community such as the DDA, Planning Commission, Chamber of Commerce, Zoning Board of Appeals, Recreation Council and area planning committees.

Prior to this action, liaisons were not routinely disseminating information about activities and developments within these other important community bodies. Now, the liaisons are more accountable for keeping the council current. The council now receives the

minutes and agendas of these respective entities.

Planners OK Purple Rose expansion

By Eric Bowen

Staff Writer

The Purple Rose Theatre Company unveiled its expansion plans last Tuesday, receiving the go-ahead from Chelsea Planning Commission to begin construction. Though no one had a problem with the expansion, the discussion didn't go easily as several local residents said they wanted to make the property next door into park.

Chelsea resident Jackie Frank said she supported the expansion of the theater. But she said she wanted to ensure the building would blend in with the surrounding businesses and that the lot next door remain undeveloped.

"Our property looks out at the Purple Rose," Frank said. "I'm concerned about the green space. What will happen to it? It's an important issue for neighbors in the area."

Ann Feeney, director of Chelsea Downtown Development Authority, which owns the property, said the DDA intends to pave part of the lot for much needed parking.

The DDA had planned to put a two-level parking structure on the land, but the plan was put on hold pending negotiations for the Staffan Mitchell Funeral Home. Feeney said the Mitchell property would provide abundant parking more cheaply than putting in a parking structure.

Actor Jeff Daniels, who owns the Purple Rose, put his support behind increased parking in the area. He said at the planning commission meeting that the green space doesn't help the theater and he would like to see more parking downtown.

Daniels also said the theater needs to expand because it doesn't have enough space. He said he wants to keep the theater in Chelsea and the expansion will allow the theater to remain successful.

The expansion plans call for adding 35 feet to the east side of the building, extending a brick facade along Park Street and unifying the roofline of the building. The entrance will be changed from its current location to the

I initiated and achieved approval to pay for and install video equipment to tape the council meetings. Prior to this initiative, the village had no equipment of its own to ensure that those who were unable to come to the meetings, such as our senior citizens, working parents and otherwise home-bound individuals could be kept abreast of important developments in their community.

I initiated delivery of the council meeting agendas to the local access channel for broadcast prior to meetings taking place. Many citizens and business people have questioned why we haven't been broadcasting our meetings. It is our responsibility as council members to see to it that we have explored all alternatives to keep our citizens informed.

The Local Access Channel will publish the agenda on the Friday prior to the council meeting. Council meetings occur every other Tuesday at 7 p.m. and they will be broadcast thereafter.

- The temporary move of the offices to the bank building. I actively pursued competitive rent information for commercial office space when the council chose to move the village offices to temporary space. This action was taken to ensure that the temporary village offices had a competitive lease rate and options to vacate were incorporated.

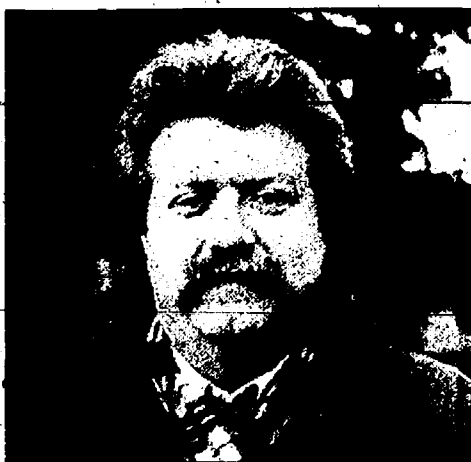
Options to vacate were critical since renting is not the most fiscally responsible approach, and because the move was voted upon as a temporary solution since we already own a building. This lease was originally presented without competitive market analysis performed, so I initiated the effort. The effort proved worthwhile and a better lease was agreed upon.

I also dedicated time and attention to the new office space planning and space improvements. This action also saved the citizens money through more thorough material analysis and selection. The original materials selected for the office improvements were much more expen-

sive with no real benefit other than cosmetic.

What are some goals you have set for the next two years with regards to your tenure on the council?

While all of the above matters are part of my accomplishments over my last term, you will note that none of them are truly completed. My position on each of these items has been stated and would continue into the next term along with other matters that are sure to come up.



Robert MacLeod

Robert MacLeod

Robert MacLeod, 44, is a geologist with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. A six-year resident, MacLeod has worked for 14 years in the environmental field working primarily in the federal Superfund Program cleaning up hazardous waste sites. He has been a project manager for both the public and the private sector.

MacLeod has a bachelor's degree in social science and geology with a minor in history from Eastern Michigan University, graduating in 1980. He and his wife, Pat, have three children, Megan, 14, Andrew, 12, and Ian, 9.

MacLeod is running for a one-year term. Why are you running for Village Council?

I am running for village council because the quality of life in the village is very important to me and my family. I like living in the village and intend to stay. The village seems to be approaching a critical period in its long history. I feel that decisions made or not made will have a great impact on what happens to

Chelsea.

I was born in a small town but was raised in Warren, which is currently the third largest city in Michigan. I have first-hand experience of watching a rural residential community boom into the largest subdivision in the state. This experience along with extensive business travel to communities across the country has provided me with the background to assist the village council in making the right decisions to insure a promising future for Chelsea. What do you hope to achieve during your time in office?

There are three critical issues facing the village that I would like to see addressed. These include the creation of a by-pass for semi-trucks and commuters, establish a long-range plan for the location of village services and infrastructure, and develop a managed growth plan with ordinances to control it. What are the top three issues that concern you in the village, and what would you do about them if elected?

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The three top issues include the by-pass, village services and infrastructure, and managed growth. Both the by-pass and the managed growth planning would require the council to work closely with the planning commission and to implement the decisions reached.

The village services and infrastructure planning will require the council to pull together the planning commission and the various village departments to make informed decisions about their needs. I would strongly support these work groups and will volunteer to participate on them. I have a great deal of experi-

ence in such planning groups and in reaching solutions to difficult problems. What are the positive steps you think the village has taken so far?

I think the village has taken positive steps through the creation of the Downtown Development Authority, attracting successful businesses like the Common Grill and the Purple Rose Theatre, and the historic district commission. These have maintained the village center, encouraged adaptive reuse of existing buildings, and ensured the continued existence of important structures that define the village.

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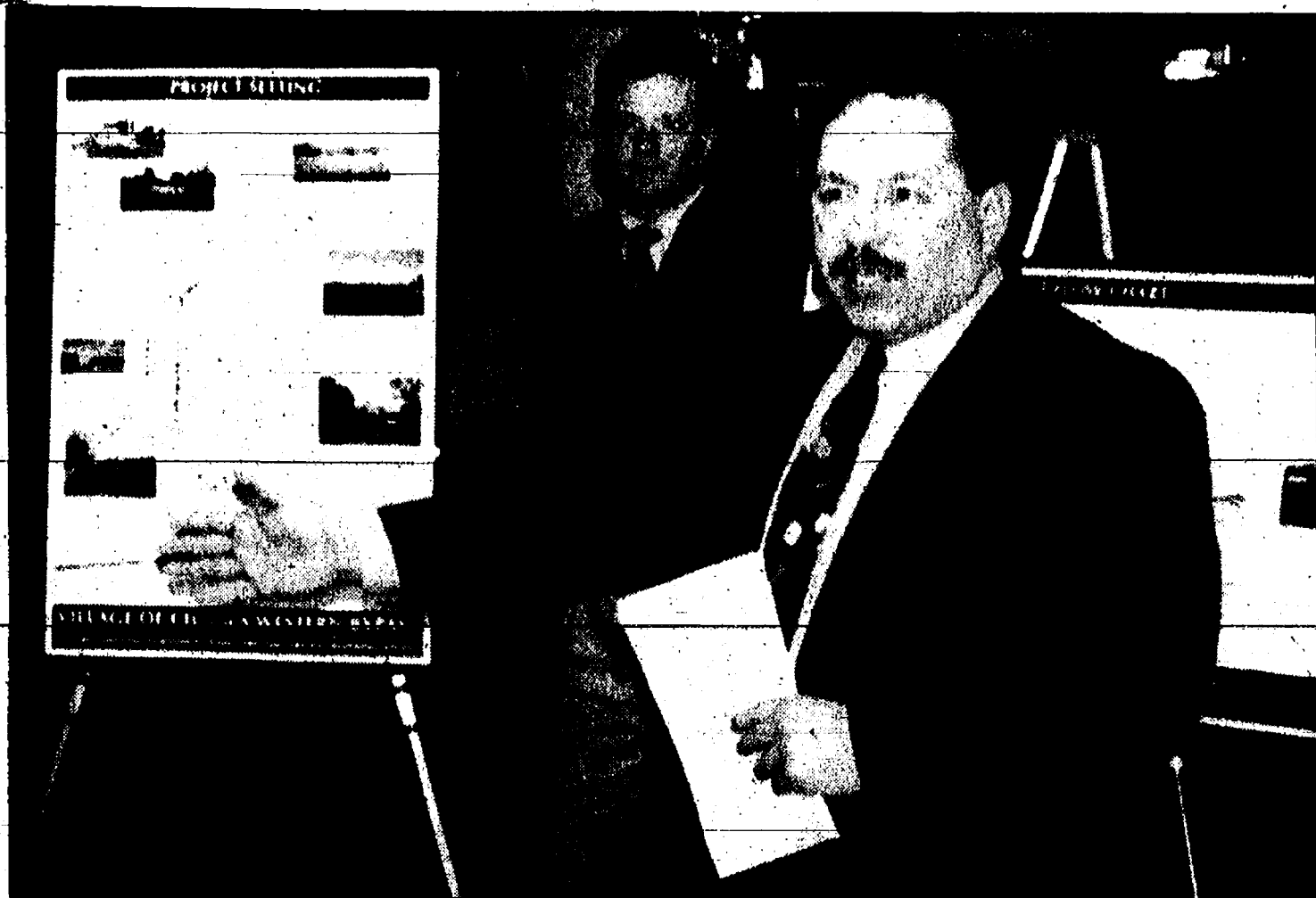
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County Commissioner Joe Yekulis made a pitch to local business leaders Friday, trying to sell them on the idea of donating money to pay for a bypass study. The \$300,000 environmental study is necessary to get approval to build the new road and have it taken over by state agencies.

BYPASS

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\$280,000.

One possible snag in process is that MDOT has not committed to paying anything for the study. Nor has the committee secured funding under the state's community development grants.

Yekulis said MDOT's participation is crucial to ensure the state takes over the road as the primary M-52, substituting it for the road through town. Without a guarantee the bypass will become a state road, MDOT could widen Main Street to four lanes, forcing the village to remove much of the downtown streetscapes project.

MDOT's participation will also be required when it comes time to pay for road construction itself. Yekulis said he wanted to get the state agency involved as soon as possible so the project would have momentum.

"We need to get MDOT in all the way," Yekulis said. "This is not going to happen without them."

The committee made its pitch to about a dozen interested business owners at a meeting at BookCrafters Inc. in the Industrial Park. JJR showed a map of the current proposed route for the bypass and described the study in detail.

JJR Principal Vice President Steve Ott told the group that the study will primarily deal with defining a route for the bypass. The study will cover the land use around the bypass plus engineering needs and its effects on wildlife and wetland habitat. The study also includes provisions for public input throughout the process.

The traffic team is under some time pressure to put up the money for the study. JJR wants to start the process in April with completion coming sometime in May of 2000. Any delay could set the schedule back months, Ott said, because many of the studies have to be done in the summer.

Village President Richard Steele heard Ott's message, urging the business owners to get started on what he felt was a

good thing for the community. Steele expected to ask for the money at the council's Tuesday meeting.

Yekulis agreed with Steele's assessment and said he felt

confident the coalition would come through.

"We've reached a point now where we need to move from the talking stage to the action stage," Yekulis said. "I believe we're going to make it happen."

Team looks to head off future roadblocks

With funding for an environmental study not yet secured, local officials are already looking forward to possible problems with a bypass around the village.

One potential obstacle could be securing land to build the bypass, according to Sylvan Township Supervisor Jerry Dresselhouse. He told the Chelsea Area Traffic Committee Friday that several residents along the proposed route have offered easements on their land, but the team doesn't have a definite route, so all people can be contacted.

Engineering problems include entrances onto the road and crossing the railroad tracks. Consultants from JJR Inc. told the village Friday that while crossing under or over the railroad would be safer, it would also be more expensive.

Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Director Sue Starkey brought up perhaps the most vexing problem — how to ensure the village's downtown remains a vital commercial district. Commercial develop-

ment near the bypass could damage the downtown's business prospects by inviting large chain stores to set up outside town.

Village President Richard Steele, Dresselhouse and County Commissioner Joe Yekulis said they are working to ensure the area will be zoned for residential or agricultural uses. Yet, Yekulis admitted after the business meeting, zoning can be changed by more growth-oriented representatives who may be voted on to local government in the future.

Whatever the risks, Steele said building the bypass is superior to having the Michigan Department of Transportation carve out a four-lane road down the center of town. Such a solution has hurt other communities in the past with many trying to go back to two-lane roads after seeing their downtowns deteriorate.

"We need to get started on this," Steele said. "It's for the betterment of the community and I think that this is what has to be done."

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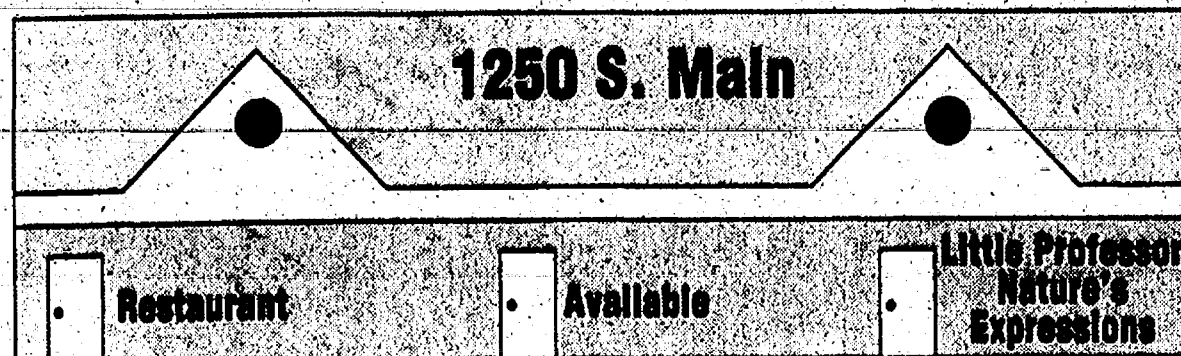
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Hockey player dies in crash

An overflow crowd at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Ann Arbor paid its final respects Tuesday to a Chelsea-area youth known for his enthusiastic approach to life in general and sports in particular.

Coaches, teammates and supporters of the Chelsea Hockey Club, as well as many friends and neighbors, were among those mourning Brett John Poupard, 17, a resident of Gregory and a junior at Detroit Catholic Central High School. Brett died in a single-car crash in the early hours of Feb. 19.

School was canceled at Detroit Catholic Central to allow his many friends to attend the funeral.

Chelsea High School secretary Tracie Stoffer said that more than two dozen students were excused from classes.

Classmates and coaches recalled Brett's uncompromising approach to life and his "fear-nothing" attitude.

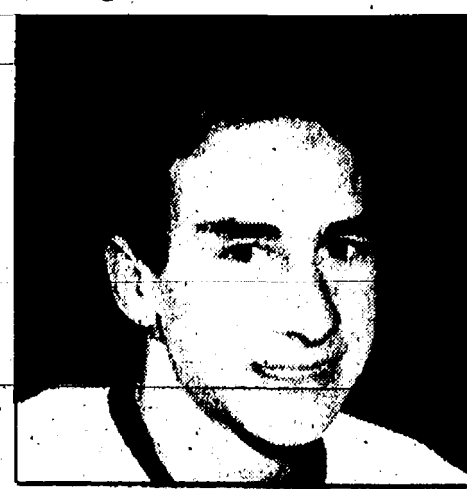
"Brett was really looking forward to playing in this Friday night's game in Saline to decide the regular season champion," said his hockey coach, Don Wright.

"Brett wore his emotion on his sleeve when he played. He was very intense, but as his coach, whenever I would say something to him on the bench, he would always treat me with respect and say 'OK, coach,' no matter how frustrated he was."

Assistant coach Todd Napieralski said he will remember Brett for his "sportsmanship and his unconditional effort, both on and off the ice."

"He always gave everything he had, no matter what the particular circumstances were at the time," Napieralski said.

"The thing I will remember most about Brett was how great a listener he was."



Brett Poupard

A mother of one of Poupard's teammates who attended the funeral services, said that arrangements have been made for the team members to wear Poupard's number "32" on their sleeves for the remainder of the season and that a moment of silence will be observed before the league championship game against Saline Friday night, at the Ann Arbor Ice Cube.

Brett was named the hockey club's most valuable

player last year as a sophomore.

In addition to hockey, Brett loved skiing and was an avid University of Michigan hockey and football fan. He had also traveled extensively throughout the world and in 1993 even studied in Paris.

News of the crash spread quickly at Chelsea High School.

CHS Assistant Principal Robin Raymond said that counselors and social workers were made available on Friday. Several students took advantage of their services, Raymond said, while other students stayed home to grieve.

The crash occurred as Poupard was driving west on North Territorial Road near Huron River Drive in Dexter Township. His car hit a tree on the opposite side of the road. No other vehicle was involved.

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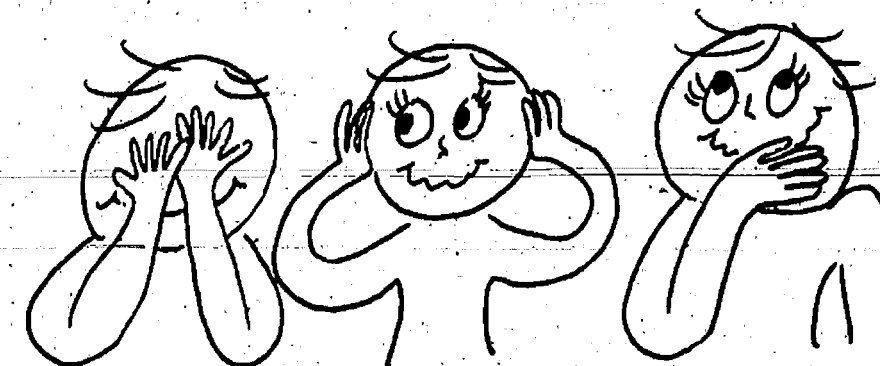
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THEATER

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look. They also commented on an addition to the roof, which would create a screen wall across the roofline.

Zoning Inspector Jim Drolett pointed out a few places the building will have to re-

ceive variances from the Zoning Board of Appeals. He said the marquee normally wouldn't be allowed because it extends from the building. Also the Purple Rose's proposed sign is not attached directly to the building as it stipulates in the sign ordinance. A display case for promotional posters proposed for

the west side of the building also would have to pass through the ZBA.

Daniels said the plans were intended to be subtle so the theater wouldn't stick out. He said he wanted to give the building accents that place it as a traditional theater building, including the marquee

and promotional posters.

In other business, the planning commission approved the preliminary site plan for Kentucky Fried Chicken in Commerce Park.

Last Tuesday's meeting was the second for the restaurant, which addressed several concerns from the previous meeting.

Though the plans addressed some concerns, the planners voiced a few problems with other aspects of the plans.

Drolett said the building's tower with Colonel Sanders' visage may violate the sign ordinance. Commissioner Mark Wesley again questioned the neon lights running the length of the building, which he said was out of character with the village.

The biggest opposition came from Commissioner Chris Rode, who voted against the plan. Rode said he wanted to be sure the restaurant didn't end up like a prototypical store.

"I hear all the time that the village has a character people want to preserve," Rode said. "Can we try to effect some changes and do something about that? This (restaurant) acts as a specific example of a threat to the village character."



Going Postal

Preschool students at Our Savior Christian Church toured the Chelsea Post Office recently. The children learned how the mail is processed, then mailed Valentine's Day cards to their families using the new love stamp. Front row: Christopher Murdock, Sean O'Quinn, Adam Burman, Wesley Mitchell and Caleb Johnson. Back row: Emily Phillips, Alexis Butler, Jessica Craig, Jennifer Craig, Danielle Dahl, Hope Morrow, Amber Tahlman, Jessica Ruikka and Regan White.

KLEMER

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Klemer would enter into projects with the gusto she displayed in her work. She relentlessly pursued ways to care for others, baking cheesecakes for the school board, refinishing chairs or finding parts for outdated typewriters, all to help out her friends.

Late former Superintendent Joe Piasecki was one of Klemer's most frequent targets for generosity. Walter remembers that Klemer once found out that Piasecki had won a little league championship. She searched for weeks to find the record book that showed his picture, eventually lifting it from a school library's cast-offs by promising a donation to the school district.

Despite Klemer's warmth to her network of friends, Walter said she did not participate much in social gatherings. Klemer preferred to know people one-on-one, collecting friendship from everyone at work and some of her neighbors.

Walter said, however, that she didn't have to socialize with Klemer to know her well. She was open to anyone and cared about all equally.

"She was not a person to go skydiving and she never saw the Sistine Chapel," Walter said. "She did a lot of basic things and filled your life with laughter and food and friendship."

"You think an amazing person is someone who has accomplished a lot, like winning the Nobel Peace Prize. But I can't feel empty about her, because I can't see where she didn't succeed."

BANK

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for it had not been for the police dog.

After the arrest, Chelsea Police recovered clothes in the suspect's car that were used in another robbery.

Mast was questioned by Ward and Chelsea Police Officer Scott Sumner and admitted to several robberies.

McDougall said the suspect had returned to the Chelsea area to rob another bank.

"He didn't seem too particular as to which one," McDougall said.

McDougall said he could not discern any specific motive for the robberies, although he did not suspect a drug habit.

"He had a lot of Las Vegas gambling paraphernalia in his car," McDougall said, "so maybe it was because of a gambling habit."

Representatives at Flagstar Bank in Chelsea declined to provide any detail of the incident, including the names of the eagle-eyed employees.

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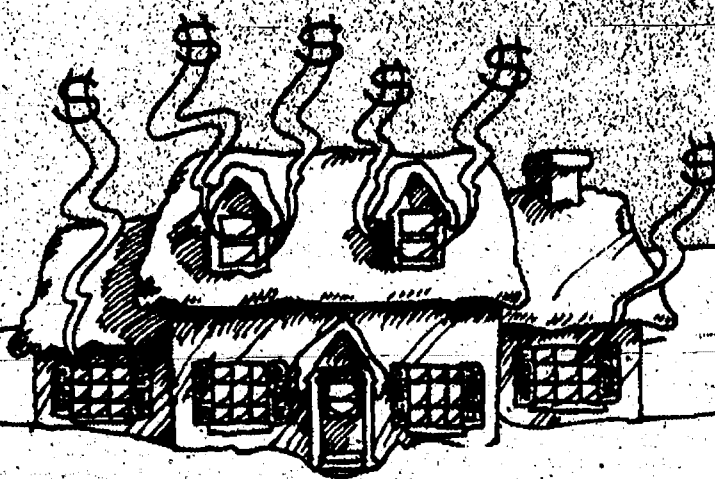
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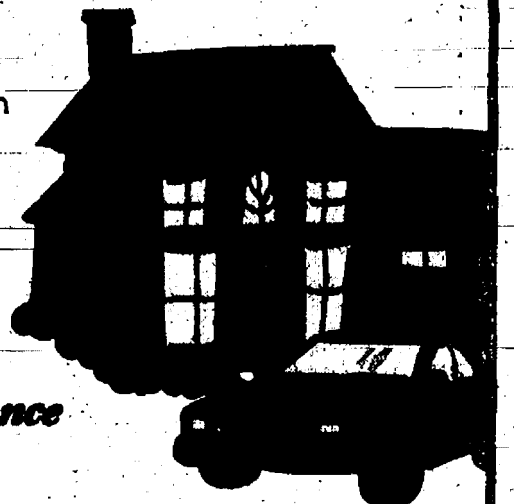
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Saturday, Feb. 27

Waterloo Natural History Association, 17030 Bush Road, presents "Owl Hoot" with naturalist, Tom Hodgson. There will be a 60 minute indoor program and a 60 minute outdoor walk on the Geology Center trails. Info., (734) 475-3170.

Sunday, Feb. 28

Waterloo Natural History Association, 17030 Bush Road, presents "Winter Botany" at 2 p.m. Spend a winter afternoon learning how to identify trees with only a few clues. Free program, but advanced reservations required. Info., (734) 475-3170.

Monday, March 1

Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 p.m.

McKune Memorial Library Mystery Book Club meets at the library, 7:30 p.m.

Lima Township Board meeting at Lima Township Hall, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 2

Rotary Club meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.

Lions Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:45 p.m.

Sylvan Township Board meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3

Friends of McKune Memorial Library meet at the library, 7 p.m. Info., 475-8732.

Chelsea-Manchester Chapter No. 108, OES meets at the Masonic Temple, 7:30 p.m.

New Beginnings, a grief support group for people experiencing the loss of a loved one. Offered as a community service by the Chelsea Retirement Community, meetings are in the Crippen building, first and third Wednesdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Info., Kearney Kirkby, (734) 475-2868.

Thursday, March 4

American Legion Post No. 31 general meeting at the Cavanaugh Lake Legion Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors meet on the first Thursday of each month. Info., Bill Stewart (734) 475-1515, or Marcia Kipmiller, (734) 475-6368.

Saturday, March 6

Waterloo Natural History Association, 17030 Bush Road, presents "Bring Back The Bluebirds" with naturalist and bird bander Terry Schmidt. Learn how to make, install and care for bluebird nest boxes. Advance reservations, a fee and supply costs required. Info., (734) 475-3170.

Monday, March 8

Chelsea Area Garden Club meets at the First United Methodist Church, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Info., 475-1240 or 475-2424.

Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at Chelsea Community Hospital, 6:15 p.m.

Chelsea School Board meets in the board room, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 9

Rotary Club meets at the Common Grill, 12:10 p.m.

Lyndon Township Board meets at the township hall, 7 p.m.

Chelsea Village Council meets at Sylvan Township Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Chelsea Rod and Gun Club meets at the clubhouse on Lingane Road, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 10

VFW Post 4076 and VFW Ladies Auxiliary meet at the VFW Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Fraternal Order of Eagles, Ladies Auxiliary No. 2154 meet at 7530 Jackson Road, 7:30 p.m.

Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets the second Wednesday of each month, at 7 p.m., in the Chelsea Retirement Community's Dancy House, 805 W Middle Street. Info., (734) 741-8200, or 800-337-3827.

The Scio Township Board meets at the Scio Township Hall, 8 p.m.

DEXTER

Thursday, Feb. 25

Dexter Rotary Club members will tour Sterling Thermal Motors, Ann Arbor, with 18 team members from the Dexter High School Design A Dream Car program, two instructors and the school superintendent.

Monday, March 1

Dexter Community Schools Board of Education meets at the Copeland building, 8 p.m.

Lima Township Board meets at Lima Township Hall, 8 p.m.

Village of Dexter Planning Commission meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at National City Bank.

Tuesday, March 2

Kiwanis Club of Dexter meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 6:30 p.m.

New Beginnings, a support group dealing with death and divorce, meets Tuesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, at 5:30 p.m. Call Faye Wisely, (734) 426-8931 or the church, (734) 426-8247 for information.

Dexter Township Planning Commission meets on the first and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 4

Dexter Rotary Club meets at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7:30 a.m. Tom Grace, local author of "Spyder Web," will be the speaker.

Dexter American Legion meets at the Dexter Legion Hall, 8 p.m.

Monday, March 8

Reproductive Health Advisory Committee for Dexter schools meets at Wylie Middle School media room, 7 p.m.

Harmony Rebekah Lodge 460 meets at the Masonic Temple, 7:30 p.m.

Webster Township Historical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m. Info., 426-2473.

Dexter Village Council meets at National City Bank, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 9

Sons of the American Legion meet at the Dexter Legion Home, 8 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Dexter Tuesdays at 8 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Alzheimer's Association has many support and group meetings each month for family members of Alzheimer's patients. For more information, call the South Central Michigan Chapter at (734) 741-8200 or 800-337-3827.

Alzheimer's Assoc. Family Caregiver Support Group meets the second Thursday each month in the Crippen building at Chelsea Retirement Community, 7-8:30 p.m. Info., (734) 741-8200.

Arbor Hospice offers various programs for dealing with terminally ill family members, as well as coping with death. Groups meet at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor. For more information on specific groups and meeting dates and times, call Debbie Skotak or Pat Bauer, (734) 682-5999.

Chelsea Senior Nutrition Program at the Senior Center. To reserve lunch, call Arlene Larson a day ahead at (734) 475-0160.

Chelsea Together. For more information, call weekdays (734) 475-4030, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., or (734) 475-5935, 5 p.m.-9 p.m.

Dexter-Chelsea Right To Life meets the third Monday each month at 7 p.m., in the Mary Room at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 3540 Dover St., Dexter. Info., Anne Young, (734) 426-5010.

Dexter District Library continues to register children, ages 3-6 for "Winter Storytimes." The program, which is already in progress, will run for 17 weeks, ending the week of May 17. All sessions last approximately 30 minutes and are held at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. Registration is limited to one session per week, and may be done in person, or by calling the Dexter District Library at (734) 426-4477.

Dexter Family Service contact Pat Burnett, (734) 449-2149, Marian Burgett, (734) 426-2196, Shawn Dettling, (734) 426-4343 or Judy Wheeler, (734) 426-2160.

Dexter Senior Nutrition Program delivers meals M-F to elderly homebound. Serves lunch M-F at Dexter Senior Center, Copeland building. To reserve a lunch, call 24 hrs. ahead, Cindy White, (734) 426-5397.

Dispute Resolution Center will hold its Mediator Training program on Feb. 26-28. Training follows standard Michigan Supreme Court curriculum and involves several areas. There is a charge for this workshop. For more information, call (734) 741-0603.

Domestic Violence Project Safe House Support Group meets every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, Behavioral Health Services building, 6:30-8 p.m. Info., (734) 426-0369.

Domestic Violence Project Safe House presents its Brown Bag Seminar series. Meetings take place the second Tuesday of each month, noon to 2 p.m., at 4100 Clark Road, Ann Arbor, 12-2 p.m. Info., (734) 973-0242, ext. 203.

Faith in Action House Community Center, open daily. Provides various free services to those in need. Services include food, clothing, financial help, advocacy and

many other forms of assistance. Need friendly help? Call from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., (734) 475-3305.

FEMALE (Formerly Employed Mothers At the Leading Edge), a non-profit support and advocacy group for women who have interrupted their full-time careers to care for their children at home, meets the first and third Thursday of each month at St. Clare's Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard Road, Ann Arbor, 7 p.m. Professional decorator Warren Lewis will present "Decorating on any Budget" at the March 4 meeting. Info., Lisa, (734) 763-8714.

HIV/AIDS Resource Center offering free testing services in Lenawee, Livingston, Jackson and Washtenaw counties. For location and times call (734) 572-9355.

Home Meal Service, Chelsea: Meals served daily to elderly or disabled. Cost per meal, \$3.25 with milk, \$3 without milk, for those able to pay. Interested parties call Mary at (734) 475-9494 or Faith in Action at (734) 475-3305.

Hospice of Washtenaw continues its five-week Grief Recovery Series through Monday, March 8, 7-8:30 p.m. at 806 Airport Blvd., Ann Arbor. Participants are encouraged to attend all five sessions, and pre-registration is required. There is no charge. Info., (734) 327-3409.

Huron-Clinton Metroparks has free presentations available to group interests. "Great Adventures," a 20-minute video, illustrates the facilities and programs of the 13 Huron-Clinton Metroparks located in southeast Michigan. Other presentations

are available on request. Info., 800-477-3191.

Huron Valley Mothers of Multiples meets the third Monday of each month in the Trinity Lutheran Church, 1400 W Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor, at 7 p.m. Info., Susan Allen, (734) 971-3569.

Immunizations through Washtenaw County Public Health, the Multi-Service Center in Ann Arbor. Info., (734) 484-7219.

Individualized Hospice, 3003 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor, offers a four-week program for men and women who have experienced the loss of a parent. The group meets Tuesdays, beginning on March 2, 6 p.m. Registration is required by Feb. 22. Info., Nancy Doty, (734) 971-0444.

Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays at First United Methodist Church, Chelsea, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Info., (734) 475-4264.

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets at the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Building 5305, the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Info., (734) 741-9209.

Parent to Parent Program in-home, friendly, visiting support system for families with children. Call (734) 475-3305.

Parents Without Partners, support group for single parents. Youth activities, social events, discussion groups. For membership, call recording at (734) 973-1933.

Play-N-Chat, a home-based group for moms and their children under five years old, meets

Wednesdays and Fridays. For place and times call Jackie Esch, (734) 426-5437.

Senior Exercise Class — Come join us in this fun, go-your-own-pace, well-rounded workout. Session are currently running through March 30, every Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30-11:30 a.m., at the Dexter Senior Center. Appropriate for all fitness levels. Info., Nia Aguirre, (734) 741-1198.

Senior Nutrition Program meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon in the Waterloo Township Hall. For reservations call (734) 475-7439, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunches, cards and fellowship.

Smokers Anonymous meets Tuesdays at St. James Episcopal Church, Dexter, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Call (734) 426-8696.

Volunteers Needed M-F from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. to deliver mid-day meals to senior citizens in the Dexter area. Info., call Cindy at the Dexter Senior Nutrition Center (734) 426-5397.

Washtenaw County Health Dept. is offering free and low-cost immunizations, meeting state of Michigan standards for daycare and school settings. Infant and

adult immunizations are also available. Call (734) 484-7220 for an appointment.

Washtenaw County Public Health Department's WorkWell Program is offering heart health screening and education programs to area small businesses with fewer than 100 employees. WorkWell can assist employers in applying for funds to put such programming into place. Info., Mary Cady, (734) 484-7200.

Washtenaw County Public Health, through the Title XV Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, has arrangements with area medical providers to provide these services: free mammograms, pap tests, pelvic and clinical breast exams. These are available to area women who meet age and income requirements. Info., (734) 484-7200.

Washtenaw County WIC Program provides nutritious foods, free coupons and health counseling for pregnant women, breastfeeding women, infants and children up to age five. Info., (734) 871-1300.

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WEDDINGS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Harris, Strong exchange vows in Ann Arbor chapel

Phoebe Miriam Elizabeth Strong of Chelsea and Jeffrey James Harris of Saginaw were wed May 23 at Concordia College Chapel in Ann Arbor. The Rev. Paul Hauser of Bethlehem Evangelical Church of Saginaw presided over the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Eleanor Strong of Chelsea. She is a 1985 graduate of Chelsea High School, a 1991 graduate of Grace College in Winona Lake, Ind., and in 1996, was certified in sign language interpretation by Mott Community College. She is employed by Valley Lutheran High School in Saginaw as an interpreter for deaf children.

The bridegroom is the son of James and Dianne Harris of Saginaw. He is a 1988 graduate of Valley Lutheran High School in Saginaw and a 1992 graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed as an ac-

countant by Borders Books.

Matron of Honor was Charity Vander Laan of Holland, Mich., sister of the bride. Best man was Mark Bronner of Wayne, Mich., friend of the groom.

Bridesmaids were Amy Boerma of Novi, Missy Humphries of Indianapolis, Ind., Dawn Brown of Warsaw, Ind., Jill Eness of Sparta, Wis., and Sarah O'Donnell of Columbus, Ohio.

Groomsmen were Doug Dawe of Oak Park, Mark Harris of Saginaw, Mark Steffe of Bloomington, Ind., Jim Maes of Lake Orion and Marc Walker of Chicago.

Ushers and other attendants were Luman, Tobin, Justin and Burrill Strong, all of Chelsea.

A reception was held at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and reside in Ypsilanti.



Gregory, Donahue marry

Tammy S. Gregory of Ypsilanti and Kevin L. O'Donahue of Saline were wed July 11 at St. Andrew's Church in Saline. Father William Stevenson presided.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Brenda Gregory of Dexter. She is a 1990 graduate of Dexter High School and is employed at the J.C. Penney Salon.

The groom is the son of Dennis and Linda O'Donahue of Saline. He is a 1989 graduate of Saline High School and is employed by the University of Michigan.

Maid of Honor was Nancy Hansen of Ann Arbor. Best man was Coty O'Donahue of

Ypsilanti.

Bridesmaids were April Dixon of Manchester, Betsy Tieden of Ann Arbor, Jodi Todd of Ypsilanti, Natalie Bond of Melbourne, Fla., and Danielle Devine of Jackson.

Groomsmen were Jeff O'Donahue of Saline, Jeff Bracey of Onsted, Jeff Steele of Davison, Tony Alston of Ypsilanti and Rob Gregory of Ann Arbor.

Ringbearer was Coty O'Donahue. Flower girl was Taylor Hansen.

A reception was held at Barnstormers. The couple honeymooned in Mexico. They reside in Ypsilanti.



65th ANNIVERSARY: March 3 will mark the 65th wedding anniversary of Dillman and Ardea Wahl of Grass Lake. The Wahls will celebrate the occasion along with Dillman's 90th birthday in April with daughters Leah Herrick and Loretta (Richard) McMulle grandchildren Bryan (Kelly) Herrick, Jeryl Herrick and Er (Mindy) Pannone, and great-granddaughters Kristen Herrick, Kai Herrick and Kaley Pannone. The couple were married in the home of Ardea's parents in 1934. The Wahls were founders of Wahl O Co. Dillman is past master of Olive Lodge #156. Dillman and Ardea are past patron and matron of Eastern Star #108. They are members of Chelsea Methodist Church.

Dexter Players to present 'Company' starting today

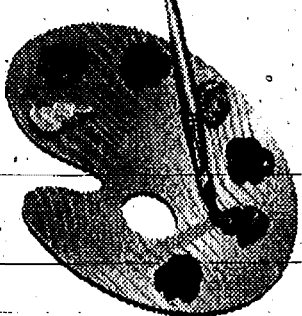
Dexter Community Players will present the Tony award-winning musical comedy "Company" by Stephen Sondheim and George Furth.

Robert has everything. He has looks, charm, money, good, loyal friends, good, crazy girlfriends. "Company" follows five married once-married, or soon-to-be-married couples and their mutual friend Robert who, by his 35th birthday, realizes having it all but having nobody to share it is not the definition of being alive.

The play will run Feb. 25-27 at 8 p.m. at Copeland Auditorium, (corner of Ann Arbor Road and Hudson) Dexter, Michigan. Tickets are available at Dexter Realty, 3203 Broad, Dexter; Dexter's Pub, 8114 Main Street, Dexter; Carly's Music, 500 N. Hewitt, Ypsilanti; Music Mart, 4845 Ann Arbor Saline Road, Ann Arbor; Music-Go-Round, Oak Valley Center, Ann Arbor Saline Road, Ann Arbor; Dance Theater Studio, 711 N. University; or by calling (734) 428-8387 or (734) 449-2472.

The Chelsea Painters, a group of local artists who have worked together for 26 years, are planning to exhibit their recent paintings at the Black Sheep Restaurant in Manchester during the months of March and April.

A reception for the artists is being planned for Sunday, March 7, from 2:00 to 5:00 with the public invited.



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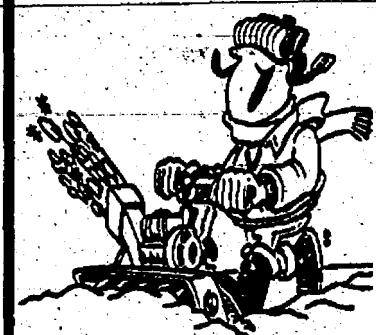
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WEDDINGS



Diehl, Aspiranti say vows

Erin Marie Diehl of Coleman and Joseph Daniel Aspiranti of Midland were married Dec. 19 at Open Door Baptist Church in Midland. The Rev. Jody Ellis presided.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Ann Diehl of Coleman. She is a graduate of Calvary Baptist Academy and Northwood University and is employed as a medical receptionist at East Central Oncology in Midland.

The bridegroom is the son of Joe Aspiranti of Sterling Heights and Robin Schneider of Jackson and the grandson of Robert and Billie Schneider of Chelsea. He graduated from Leslie High School, is attending Northatt University, and

is employed as a marketing representative at Aegis Environmental Management in Midland.

The maid of honor was Carmen Nelson, a friend of the bride. The best man was Joshua Aspiranti, brother of the groom.

Ushers were Scott Nolan, friend of the groom, James Mendek, friend of the groom, and Jon-Paul Aspiranti, cousin of the groom.

Robin Schneider sang, "Give Me 'Forever, I Do'" during the candle lighting.

A reception was held at Church Fellowship hall and the couple honeymooned in Toronto. They reside in Midland.

COLLEGE HONORS

Eastern Michigan University named 34 Dexter residents and 29 Chelsea residents to its fall semester dean's list.

The Dexter honorees were Lara L. Bartram, Catherine L. Bergren, Marc E. Delapena, Sally L. Doucette, Andrew J. Fattel, Adam L. French, Aura L. Gannon, Julie Griggs, Benjamin A. Havens, Christian E. Hill, Amanda A. Hollis, Kathleen S. Howe, Bethany A. Koths, Peter M. Lambers, Dawn L. Ledwidge, Elizabeth A. Link, Karen J. Marzoni, Janie L. McKelvey, Benjamin Meza-Wilson, William P. Milam, Amy J. Mills, Tyson L. Navarre, Norma C. Nichols, Emily I. Nuber, Luann M. Redmond, Marsha A. Rinke, Debra S. Sakowski, Laurie E. Strieter, Karen L. Ward, Nicholas C. West, Rachel V. Wierthella, Holly M. Wilkinson, Sharon K. Winston and Charlynn M. Wurst.

Chelsea honorees were Rebecca A. Bader, Kimberly S. Baird, Mary L. Bassett, Joya E. Boyless, Kelly L. Bridges, Melanie A. Broughton, Vera J.

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To make the EMU dean's list a student must maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average and carry a minimum of 10 credits.

Dexter High School alumni Ellen Bradbury, David Brown, Georgia Fisher, Christopher Gayer, Jennifer Nowaczek and Amber Piesko have been named to Alma College's dean's list for fall term.

To achieve the honor, a student must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average and carry at least 13 credit hours.

Skywarn spotter course to be held March 22

The Washtenaw County Emergency Management Division and the National Weather Service will host a class in severe weather identification and reporting procedures at Chelsea's UAW Hall, 218 S. Main St.

The Skywarn spotter course will be March 22, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The course is free of charge to anyone over 18. The basic course is two hours long and

identification codes are issued to all who complete the training.

An advanced course will be offered in April.

Class size is limited. To register, ask questions or find out directions, call Emergency Management at (734) 971-1152 Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. or leave a voice mail message after hours.

BIRTHS

A son, Liam Eugene, born Feb. 18 to Heather and Joe McDougall. Maternal grandparents are Lynn and Janet Grener of Chelsea. Paternal grandparents are Lenard and Mary McDougall of Chelsea. Great-grandparents are Frank and Mildred Kemp-Rowe of Ypsilanti.

A daughter, Laura Michelle, born to Rick and Holly (Hoffmeyer) Richardson, formerly of Chelsea. Grandparents are James and Joan Hoffmeyer of Chelsea and Harry and Gerri Richardson of Pinckney. Laura is the sister of Caitlin, 13, Vernon, 11, Elizabeth, 7, Marissa, 5, and Joseph, 3.

MILITARY NEWS

Army Pvt. Grant A. Toth has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

The soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

During infantry training, he developed basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experienced using various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

The private is a 1998 graduate of Dexter High School, Mich.

Marine Lance Cpl. Aaron A. Klapperich, son of Ted J. and Mary L. Klapperich of Dexter,

recently completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) embarked aboard the ships of the USS Saipan Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).

While deployed, Klapperich and fellow Marines participated in the multinational exercises Matador Livex '98, Phiblex '98, Rescue Eagle '98, Sardinia '98, Sea Breeze '98 and Dynamic Mix '98.

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Chelsea High School graduate Elizabeth Wagenschultz has been named to the Aquinas College dean's list for the fall semester. She is a sophomore.

To earn dean's list honors, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher while carrying at least 12 hours of graded credit. For the fall semester, a total of 284 students were named to the list.

On Jan. 29, Channon Boullion, daughter of Ed and Leann Boullion of Dexter, received her instrument flight rating.

Boullion is a senior at Embury-Riddle Aeronautical University in Ariz. She will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in May.

Several area residents expect degrees from the University of Michigan after winter

term. Completing their doctorates are Diana P. Hunt, Kammy Jo Mizga and Matthew A. Postiff of Chelsea and Alexander N. Linden, Deborah A. Vincent of Dexter.

Working on master's degrees are Anna E. Flintoft and Mary K. Postiff of Chelsea and Kevin A. Adkins of Dexter.

Finishing their bachelor's degrees are Matthew A. Fisher of Chelsea and Amy B. Hollis and Peter B. Leidy of Dexter.

Christine Herndon of Chelsea was named to Elmhurst College fall semester dean's list.

To achieve this honor, a student must earn a minimum semester grade point average of 3.75 in conjunction with a minimum 3.5 cumulative grade point average.

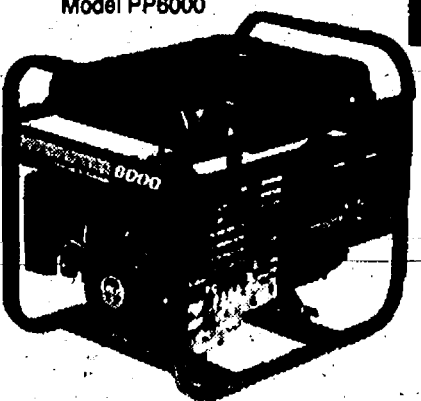
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POLICE BLOTTER

Chelsea Village

Breaking and Entering
Breaking and entering was reported at Chelsea Animal Hospital, 1475 S. Main St., Feb. 17. Someone broke into the veterinary hospital and stole controlled substances, including ketamine, which can be used as a date-rape drug. The break-in occurred between 9 p.m. Feb. 16 and 8 a.m. Feb. 17. Entry was gained by throwing a large clay flower pot through a window.

Non-aggravated Assault
Non-aggravated assault was reported at W.A. Thomas Inc., 446 Congdon St., Feb. 16. A 23-year-old Manitou Beach man told police that a pizza delivery driver struck him after an argument. The victim said the driver, a 20-year-old Chelsea man, returned to the business after realizing he gave the victim too much change. The victim told the driver that he spent some of it and gave him a dollar back.

The victim said the driver left and another pizza delivery driver came to talk to him. He said that man struck him in the face.
When police arrived, the victim was bleeding from the mouth and nose. He had broken teeth and a cut across his face. The victim was taken to the emergency room at Chelsea Community Hospital and later transferred to the University of Michigan Hospital.

Hit and Run
A 46-year-old Gregory man was cited for fleeing the scene of a crash after reports of two hit-and-run crashes and a complaint of a drunk man walking around Polly's parking lot looking into vehicles earlier in the day.

Hit-and-run crashes were reported in the parking lot at Polly's Market on Main Street and behind Seitz's Tavern.

Police found the suspect in the 500 block of Grant Street after a citizen called to complain of a man passed out in a Jeep Cherokee, which had front-end damage and paint transfer marks on it.

Police confiscated a bottle of vodka from the vehicle. An officer drove the suspect home. Since police did not catch him driving, the suspect was not given a test to determine his blood-alcohol level or investigated for drunken driving.

Felonious Assault
Felonious assault was reported in the parking lot of Pamida, 1040 S. Main St., Feb. 20. A 19-year-old Ypsilanti man told police that three men loitering outside the store chased him and sprayed mace in his eyes.

Police interviewed the victim at Chelsea Community Hospital. The victim said he thinks his attackers mistook him for someone else.

An officer interviewed store employees but none recalled seeing the alleged suspects or victim.

Scio Township

Breaking and Entering
Breaking and entering was reported in the 400 block of Talon Drive, Feb. 9. A 23-year-old man told police that someone stole a compact disc player and radio from his vehicle. The vehicle was unlocked, but the thief also broke the windshield, causing \$200 in damage. The stereo is worth \$100. The theft occurred between 8 p.m. Feb. 8 and 6 a.m. Feb. 9.

Breaking and entering was reported in the 6000 block of Dexter Road, Feb. 11. A 22-year-old woman told police that someone broke into the residence between 11:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Feb. 11 and stole over \$1,000 worth of jewelry. The missing items include several gold necklaces, a gold bracelet and gold brooch. Damage to the door of the

residence totals \$400.

Breaking and entering was reported in the 4800 block of Pratt Road, Feb. 10. A 50-year-old woman told police that someone broke into her home between 7:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. Over \$2,000 worth of jewelry was reported stolen. The missing items include several bracelets, earrings, necklaces and costume jewelry. The thief entered through a window, causing \$300 damage.

Breaking and entering was reported in the 5100 block of West Liberty Road, Feb. 15. A 37-year-old man told police that someone broke into his residence and ransacked his bedroom between 7:30 a.m. and 5:10 p.m. A \$100 bill was stolen from a change purse. The thief broke a window to gain entry. Damage is estimated at \$100.

Domestic Felonious Assault
A 20-year-old pregnant township woman told police that her live-in boyfriend assaulted her during an argument. She said he became very upset, grabbed her by the shoulders and shoved her on the floor. Then she said he grabbed her by the neck, removed his belt and hit her in the head with a closed fist while beating her with the belt. The belt struck her shoulders, stomach and legs.

The suspect denied assaulting his girlfriend. He said she shoved him, causing a scratch on his forearm.

The woman had bruises all over her body and was complaining of abdominal pain. She was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for treatment. Doctors told police that the injuries were three to four days old. A prosecutor is reviewing the case.

Drunken Driving

A 23-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol on Southbound Baker Road near Jackson Road, Feb. 13. A deputy stopped the man at 2:45 a.m. on a traffic violation. The driver had bloodshot, watery eyes and his speech was slurred, but he denied that he had been drinking alcohol. A test revealed a blood-alcohol level of .12 percent, which is more than the legal limit to drive.

Warrant Arrest

Bakari A. Exum, 18, of Ann Arbor was arrested at Jeffrey Arena on Jackson Road, Feb. 16. He was wanted on a warrant for aggravated assault and battery. Police were initially dispatched to the arena for a complaint of disorderly conduct.

Scott V. Robertson, 42, of Jackson was arrested at Rampy Chevrolet, 3515 Jackson Road, Feb. 18. The officer was investigating a complaint of embezzlement when he discovered a warrant for Robertson's arrest. He was wanted by the Jackson City Police Department.

Jeremy E. Duncan, 24, of Dexter was arrested at the Lighthouse Car Wash, 3600 Jackson Road, Feb. 19. He was wanted on a warrant for failing to appear in court for sentencing on a conviction of operating a vehicle while impaired.

David A. Merriweather, 37, of Scio Township was arrested on N. Delhi Road near Huron River Drive, Feb. 20. He was initially stopped on a traffic violation. However, a computer check revealed he was wanted on a bench warrant for driving with a suspended license.

Police were dispatched to Scio Farms Estates, 6655 Jackson Road, to help a 33-year-old woman who was possibly sui-

cidal. Ann Arbor Police contacted the sheriff's department after talking with the woman on the telephone. An Ann Arbor officer said the woman was arrested for drunken driving on Feb. 13 and may be considering suicide. But when a deputy contacted the woman, she denied it. She did say she needed someone to talk to and was thinking about checking into Brighton Hospital. Her husband agreed to take her there.

Larceny
Larceny was reported at Bel-Mark Lanes, 3530 Jackson Road, Jan. 12. A 52-year-old Dexter man told police that someone stole his cellular telephone. The man said he set the flip-style phone down on a table. When he was done bowling, it was gone. The phone is valued at \$172. The victim had his cellular phone company disconnect the phone.

Larceny was reported at Arby's restaurant, 195 Baker Road, Feb. 14. Two local teenagers were accused of stealing the Muscular Dystrophy Association's charity collection container. One of the boys confessed to police that the other stole the money and they both used it to buy food at the restaurant.

When employees from Arby's followed both of them outside, they tried to flee in a vehicle with two other friends. However, the driver refused to budge and the teens fled on foot.

One of the youths returned to turn himself in because he said he knew it was the right thing to do.

Larceny was reported in the 5600 block of Cedar Ridge Drive, Feb. 15. The builder rigged a video camera across the street and caught a 35-year-old Scio Township man stealing building materials. The video tape showed the man taking wood from the construction site. The suspect, who lives next door, told police that he had permission to take the wood. However, he said if there was any miscommunication he would pay for it. The builder said he would not pursue criminal charges against the suspect if he paid for what he took.

Disorderly Persons

Two Ohio women were arrested for disorderly conduct as prostitutes at the I-94 rest stop near Baker Road, Feb. 17.

Police patrolling the truck stop noticed both women running away from an area where semi-trucks were parked. A chase ensued and the women were caught. A 19-year-old woman admitted to prostituting herself since the age of 16.

Suspicious Incident

A 48-year-old woman called police when she found footprints in the mud near a window at her residence on Luella Drive, Feb. 18. The woman lives with her sister. She suspects the footprints belong to her sister's ex-husband. Her sister has a personal protection order against the man because of a past history of physical and sexual assault. The footprints appeared outside the window between 4 p.m. Feb. 17 and 11:30 p.m. Feb. 18.

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported at an office complex at 25 Jackson Industrial Drive, Feb. 18. Someone put super glue in eight door locks, causing \$450 in damage. The incident occurred between 11:30 p.m. Feb. 17 and 8 a.m. Feb. 18.

Webster Township

Home Invasion

Home invasion was reported in the 8100 block of North Territorial Road, Feb. 18. A 22-year-old woman told police that someone entered her home through an unlocked garage, ransacked her bedroom and stole five rifles, three shotguns, a 12-gauge pump shotgun, two muzzle loaders and a single shotgun, all worth \$4,600. The thief was able to steal four guns from one gun cabinet after using a screw driver to pry it open. A key the thief found in the home was used on another cabinet.

Larceny

Larceny was reported in the 6600 block of W. Joy Road, Jan. 10. A 16-year-old boy told police that someone stole a guitar amplifier, valued at \$300, from his 1995 Toyota.

Suspicious Incident

A suspicious incident was reported in the 7100 block of North Territorial Road, Feb. 20. A woman unknown to police reported that a pickup truck was on fire at the corner of North Territorial and Mast roads and there was a brush fire in the 7100 block of North Territorial Road.

Dexter Area Fire Department responded to the scene.

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Dexter

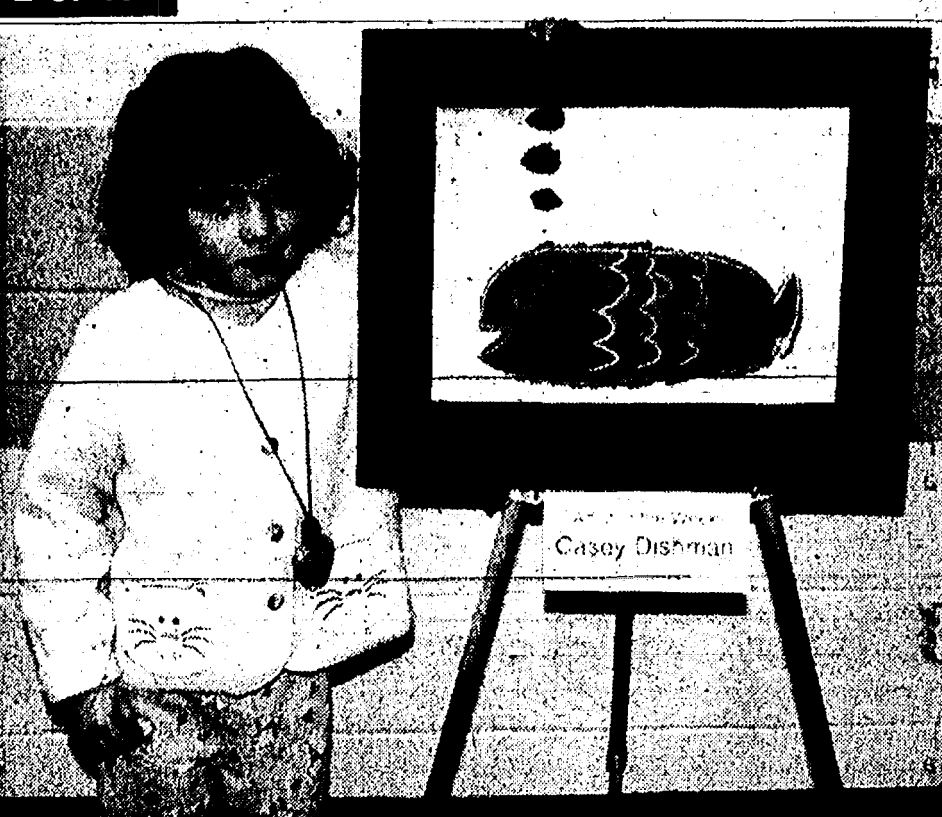


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Past Artist of the Week

Casey Dishman was named Artist of the Week last week at Cornerstone Elementary School. Dishman and her fellow kindergartners made rubbings using crayons, then made crayon-resists by washing blue paint over the background. The last step was to make the curving lines of the fish, add detail, cut them out and paste them on.

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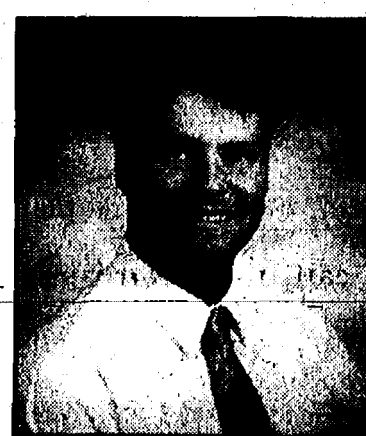
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Committee to help interpret fire pact

■ *Dispute arises over funding formula.*

By Michelle Rogers
Associate Editor

A dispute over whether the Dexter Area Fire Board is following its own funding formula resulted in the creation of a committee to interpret the board's own inter-local agreement.

Fire board members Wally

Fusilier and Karl Fink will examine the agreement and report back to the board at a special meeting in March. They were appointed by the board at a meeting held Feb. 18.

The issue was brought up by Fusilier, who thinks the board is not following the funding formula outlined in the agreement.

"All I am saying is go with the contract's words," Fusilier said. "I am saying stick with

the formula and use the method it says."

Fusilier said the formula the board now wants to use is unfair to Lima Township.

The dispute centers on whether mutual aid calls should be divided evenly among the four municipalities served by the Dexter Area Fire Department or based on their own percentage of runs.

"It should be the same rate for each government for each

run," Fusilier said. "If you don't like it, change it."

This is not a new issue for the fire board. Fusilier has brought it up over the past year.

Board Trustee Dean Fisher said according to Fusilier's calculations, if a municipality had no runs one year, then it shouldn't pay for any mutual aid calls either.

"That's not the way an area fire department should respond to runs, I think," Fisher said.

Board Trustee Loren Yates said the mutual aid calls should be divided evenly because otherwise the village carries most of the burden with Dexter schools housed within its boundaries. Firefighters are on standby at athletic events, which is billed to the area municipalities as a mutual aid call.

"This seems to be getting pretty petty," Yates said.

He compared Fusilier's logic with the village charging Lima Township for water when trucks respond to fires in the township.

It was Fusilier who suggested a committee be formed to examine the inter-local agreement. Fink is an attorney and former judge, whom Fusilier said can help him understand the contract's legal language.

Bonds sold for Multi Lakes Sewer debt

Dexter Township Board adopted a resolution Feb. 16 approving the final award of refunding bonds for the Multi Lakes Sewer Authority.

The township voted late last year to refinance the Multi Lakes Sewer Authority debt.

Dan Myers, director of Washtenaw County Public Works, was at the meeting to answer questions. Myers said

some \$7 million in bonds were sold earlier that day on behalf of the county and Dexter Township.

Roney & Company was the lowest bidder at 4.492 percent, which is lower than anticipated. The new rate will need to be melded with the old rate of 5.38 percent, Myers said.

"It appears to be much better than what we thought last fall," Myers told the board.

A new rule by the Securities Exchange Commission requires the township to provide "continuing disclosure of certain financial information and operating data" to the bond holders. A certificate will be included with the transcript of the proceedings.

The deal sets forth a new debt service schedule and extends the debt another year.

POLICE

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The brush fire was extinguished but the vehicle fire was never located.

The fire department suspects the brush fire may have started from a pile of gloves that may have had paint thinner on them that ignited.

Attempted Break-in

Attempted breaking and entering was reported in the 4500 block of Huron River Drive, Feb. 15. A 47-year-old woman told police that someone attempted to break into her home between Feb. 13 and Feb. 14. No entry was gained, but the garage door sustained over \$100 in damage.

Fraud

Fraud was reported in the 4800 block of Troon Court, Feb. 17. A township couple told police that they applied for a bank loan and discovered that eight credit cards were opened fraudulently in their names. The couple had received two credit cards in the mail without applying for them and thought that was suspicious. Then they received a call from Nordstrom department store's fraud department. An investigator told them that \$5,000 worth of merchandise was purchased in their name and returned for the cash. Since then, the couple has learned of some \$20,000 worth of credit card bills for merchandise they say they never purchased.

Lima Township

Breaking and entering was reported in the 8000 block of Trinkle Road, Feb. 2. A 54-year-old woman told police

that someone broke into her home between 9 a.m. and noon Feb. 2 and stole several items, including guns, a VCR, videotapes, jewelry and cash, all totaling nearly \$2,000.

Lyndon Township

Trespassing

Trespassing was reported in the 20000 block of Waterloo Road, Feb. 18. A woman complained that her neighbor has come on her property 10 times over the past year videotaping and photographing her residence. Just recently, the woman said her 13-year-old son was home alone and saw the man videotaping within 15 feet of their living room window.

Runaway

A 43-year-old woman reported her 15-year-old daughter as missing from their home on Roe Road, Feb. 9. The girl attends Chelsea Alternative High School. The woman said she dropped the girl off that morning and returned at 4 p.m. to pick her up. However, the school told the woman that her daughter left at 2:45 p.m. The woman told police that none of her daughter's friends knew her whereabouts. A de-

scription of the girl and her name were entered into the Law Enforcement Information Network.

Sylvan Township

Breaking and Entering

Breaking and entering was reported in the 2000 block of McKernan Road, Feb. 2. A 74-year-old woman told police that someone entered her home through an unlocked window and stole \$2,480 worth of jewelry and \$100 worth of coins and change. The break-in occurred while she was out shopping between 2 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. The woman's 98-year-old mother was home at the time but was sleeping and didn't hear anything.

Breaking and entering was reported on Shoreview Drive, Feb. 10. A propane heater and two saws were reported stolen between 8 a.m. Feb. 10 and 5:30 p.m. Feb. 11. Total value of the stolen items is more than \$850.

(Compiled by Associate Editor Michelle Rogers based on reports filed with Chelsea Police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.)

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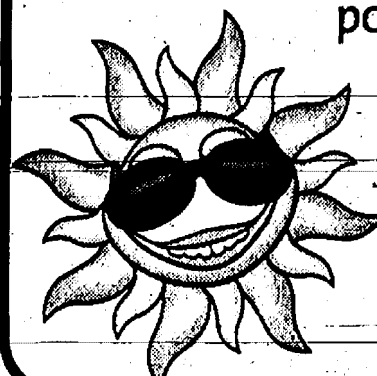
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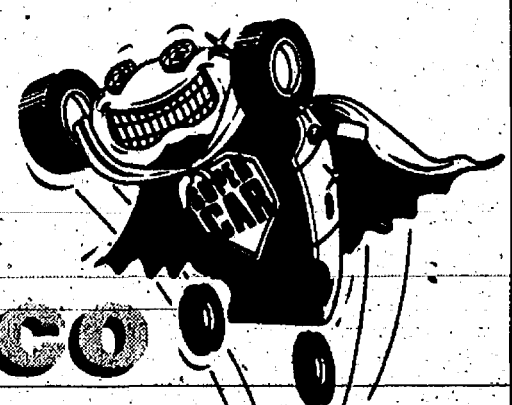
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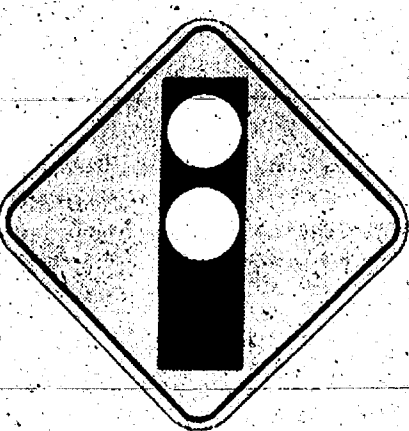
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Street Talk

By Amanda Tarantowski

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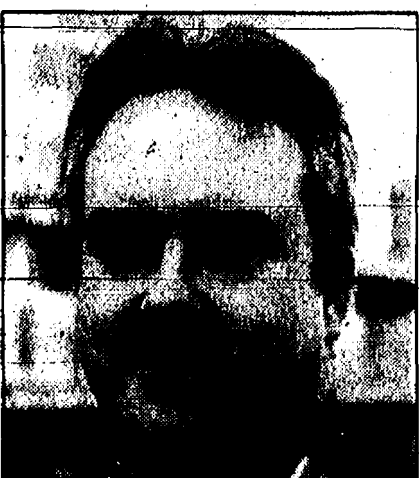
"Unfortunately, I don't because after I get home from work and make dinner, I'm just too tired."

Kaye Taylor
Lyndon Township



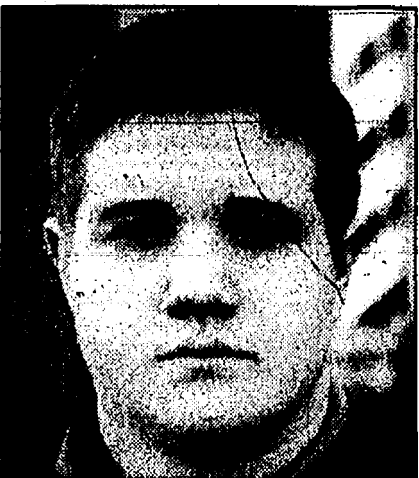
"No, I used to, but now I just don't have the time."

Steve Cook
Sylvan Township



"Yes, I do, because it gives me more energy. But I must schedule a time to do it, to make it a part of my daily routine."

Alex Weddon
Lyndon Township



"Yes, during football I do, and I usually lift weights in the mornings."

Dan Whitesall
Sylvan Township



"I usually do push-ups and sit-ups every night before my shower."

Mike Fischer
Dexter Township

LETTERS

A sad day in the neighborhood

Today is a sad day in our neighborhood.

Everyday has been that way since last Friday when we learned that we had lost one of our neighborhood kids in a fatal car crash on North Territorial road. Brett Poupard was 17 years old, a hockey player and a neighbor.

We are some of those fortunate people who can claim our neighbors as our best friends. I have lived in enough places to realize how truly rare that is. We have a lot of things in common, being parents of teenage kids is one of them. I have watched our neighborhood children grow and have seen the stress of parenting become less physical and more emotional every year.

The roots of that emotional stress are in the fear of living through what our neighbors are living through now. Nothing can prepare a parent for this.

On the hockey team, Brett was said to play with gusto. How sad that we will never know how that gusto could have served him as an adult. Literally hundreds of friends and relatives all over the world have been saddened by his death.

Good families tend to make

a web of friends that spreads wide. Many more that didn't know him or know his family will grieve too. It's just such a sad, sad story.

So I sit and look out my window and I watch the people come and go from my neighbor's house. Food trays, flowers, people visiting to express their condolences.

We all say the same thing, if there is anything we can do just ask. Of course the only thing a parent wants in this situation, none of us can deliver.

But I speak for all of us neighbors when I say we will help you through this. That's what friends are for. How fortunate we are to be your friends.

Bill Harper
and other neighbors
of Half Moon Lake

Preserving downtown more important

If you live in Chelsea long enough, things are going to change. John Frank's guest editorial about the Rite Aid situation left me rather confused. The article called for a grass roots uprising to save an old lackluster building, but the photographs showed a much improved corner lot with the addition of the new store (I had no idea the build-

ing was considered the "Gateway to Chelsea").

Chelsea is a growing area, and the charm of the downtown district is what brings people from surrounding areas for dinner, entertainment and shopping. If you live in Chelsea, you want some modern conveniences. This means more shops and businesses.

If I were opening a business from scratch I'd define my ideal location as a high-profile location that provides easy access and plentiful parking. Wow, that's Rite Aid's goal too. These people aren't evil as portrayed in the article. It's just smart business. Access, convenience and service are important to consumers and vital to businesses.

If we're trying to preserve the character of Chelsea, perhaps it's more important to focus on improving business and character in the downtown area. Whether you call the corner building, "American road vernacular" or "overgrown two-story fishing shanty, I doubt we'll see many yuppies with pitchforks scurrying to save the site. Besides, there are many other examples of poor and outdated architecture south of town for the historic committee to look at. Let's give progress a chance.

Dennis H. Deppner

Rite Aid sparks controversy

The proposed Rite Aid drug store for the northeast corner of M-52 and Old US-12 has provoked more controversy than any project in recent memory.

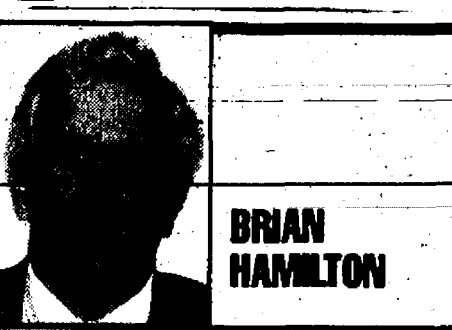
Rite Aid, the large national chain, wants to buy the entire corner from Chelsea Pets & Plants to the Reinhart real estate office and build a store. It's the busiest corner in all of Chelsea, which means it's probably perfect for that kind of business.

Building the new store would mean tearing down four buildings, including two stone buildings that have some local historical interest — at least to some people — and putting up a typical boxy drug store. Some people see progress running roughshod over history, while others are concerned about the look of the new building, and others wonder whether we can support another drug store.

If Rite Aid were to construct a store in, let's say, Commerce Park, there would be far less panic. The fact that the company has targeted one of Chelsea's most prominent corners has created the backlash.

Yes, there's some history in the corner, but that's true of any building in Chelsea. It just depends on what sort of "history" you think is worth saving, and if anyone is willing to do the physical and financial work of saving it. My guess is Rite Aid would probably be happy if concerned preservationists want to take it upon themselves to move the buildings somewhere else.

I'm not thrilled about a Rite Aid store in any location



BRIAN HAMILTON

OPENING REMARKS

in Chelsea, just as I wouldn't be thrilled about a Circuit City or a Wal-Mart. But my concerns are more related to the effect the store will have on the business community.

A chain store with all that buying leverage won't make things any easier for some of our local independent businesses. It will sell everything from drugs to greeting cards, which will have some effect on stores that have to struggle for every dollar.

A major strength of this community lies in its independent businesses. They are what give our community its personality and vitality. They are a major reason people move here, along with the quality of the school district. You can find stores like Rite Aid just about anywhere.

Also, these "big box" national chains don't have a great track record of supporting community projects, although Rite Aid could surprise us. Just look at all the national chains on south M-52. There are only a handful that contribute to the community in any significant way.

Nevertheless, I don't think we have anyone to blame but

ourselves for our current circumstances. It's easy to point a finger at Rite Aid when the enemy is "us," as Pogo once said.

As a prominent local businessman said the other day, "We're good at saying what we don't want but not so good at attracting what we do want."

The M-52/Old US-12 corner is zoned correctly for a drug store, although half of it is really being used as office space. What kind of business did we think we'd get there? We should have seen this possibility coming long ago.

Also, we have only minimal architectural standards for that area. It looks like Rite Aid would be required to have something other than a flat roof, and the facade would have to resemble wood, brick or stone. Which means it may well end up looking like the car wash across the street.

And, for those of you who care, the corner was never designated a historical site, although it apparently qualifies.

Our demographics are going to be increasingly attractive to companies like Rite Aid that have a lot of money to spend. And they will, naturally, look for the best places to build. What all this shows is that we are still not prepared to handle it.

How we deal with this trend is going to have a significant impact on the look and feel of our community in the years ahead. There aren't easy answers.

But it doesn't help to blame Rite Aid and label ourselves victims.

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Clinton acquittal leaves unsettled stomach

With President Clinton's acquittal in the Senate less than two weeks old, I will try to add something new to the already voluminous body of newspaper and magazine articles, radio and TV spots, and Internet rants already out there for public consumption. Reading the various arguments and news articles has helped me, if anything, to realize the profound ambivalence Americans feel for the saga that has lasted more than a year. Though ultimately I agree with the Senate decision, I am of two minds on the implications of the trial, and I grapple with its significance for our country.

The reason the Clinton impeachment garners such hand wringing is because it is about sex. I like many across the country, am both titillated and repulsed by delving into the private bedroom, or even the private Oval Office, of our commander in chief.

Clinton's actions force me to consider whether a president should be allowed to lie to me and American citizens. Though Clinton's lie was about something immaterial and private, I wonder if perhaps once in our history we should bring a president to task for dishonesty. Maybe then we will not have so many Iran-Contra scandals or Cambodian bombing campaigns.

Clinton's actions, combined with Republican bitterness, have made the controversy an international spectacle that has drawn our wandering eyes away from what really matters. While the focus has been on



ERIC BOWEN

A CLOSER LOOK

has been unable to address pressing concerns such as Iraq, Kosovo, or even our own problems of health care and social security.

Though lying and impediments to policy are certainly important, they are not even my primary worries in this debacle. My foremost disappointment with Clinton's conduct is his apparent lack of concern for the power differential between himself and Monica Lewinsky. As a 21-year-old woman at the time, Lewinsky was responsible for her own actions, but Clinton had to have been aware of the vast divide between the most powerful man in the world and a White House intern.

Clinton's legacy on woman's equality is complicated. He was the first president to appoint a woman to attorney general and secretary of state. He worked to provide medical leave for new mothers. The military under his watch has seen the entrance of women combat troops. And he has diligently vetoed legislation that limits women's rights to a safe and legal abortion.

But though he may have worked for women's causes, we cannot begin to talk about equality and consent between men and women when our leader uses his position for a cheap thrill. Both sexes are degraded by his conduct.

It is this inherent contradiction that causes many people, myself included, to want to push the whole scandal away, to go about their business without hearing any more about Clinton's sex life. Polls have shown throughout the controversy that the overriding sentiment has been to get the process over with so we don't have to think about it.

It is difficult even to formulate words about the scandal without placing it in categories of black and white. Television's sound bites and snap polls don't do justice to the intermingling of sentiment that leaves me uncertain of my opinion of our president.

If there is one thing to thank the Republicans for, however, it is making the scandal a priority, and forcing us to contend with the gray areas and the nebulousness of the debate. I am much the wiser for having to deal with the complexities our leader, our country and myself.

Uncle to exchange muffins for election support

Well, here we are again on the final leg of the big race for Village Parents, and with all of the people in the race, there's enough legs to make it seem like a centipede race.

And that could be a big problem, not only because of how painful fallen arches could be, but because centipedes are gross, and if they get into my cookies, people won't want to trade votes for them.

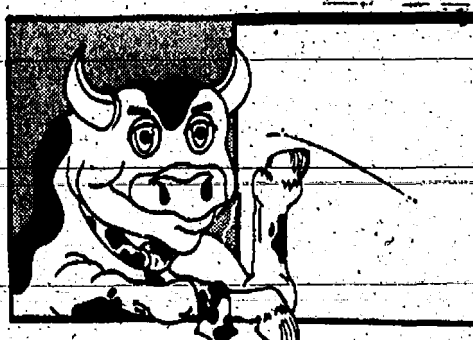
This votes-for-cookies deal has become a major part of my campaign. So I've decided to expand my base of support by adding some other goodies like Jiffy Mix Blueberry Muffins and Common Grill rolls. If that doesn't draw the votes in droves, I don't know what will.

But let's get to the substance here. People want issues! With the national scandals winding to a close, we need something controversial to get people to go out and vote. And with all these can-

didates we want the biggest voter turnout ever. We want you to drag yourselves out of bed to get down there and pull that lever! Come on, what are you waiting for!

Don't let everybody else decide how our village is gonna look, and how much it's gonna cost us. Get out there and vote! It's your civic duty! Unless you're not voting for me, of course. If you aren't, just stay home.

So what else am I gonna do for you? About time you asked. Ariotta and I have come up with a plan for this Fire Authority deal. First of all, I don't know if you noticed or not, but in the same paper that talked about the cost of this fire authority, an article also said the Fire Department made this deal with the Washtenaw County Hazardous Materials Authority. Well, I'll tell you, Ariotta's ancestors learned a lot about fires when



UNCLE APOLLO

they were in Chicago, and we think this is a pretty bad deal.

Why would the Village want to pay for all these hazardous materials from the county? It makes no sense at all to me.

And then there's this thing about spending \$276,000 per year to build all these substations in all of the townships. How do we know we even need all these substations? Or is it just because they all want one because the other ones are getting them?

It reminds me of when I was a kid, if my mom wanted to buy a red-sucker she'd have

to buy red suckers for each of us to keep the peace. Heaven help her if she bought a green one by mistake.

And besides, why is a Fire Authority building substations, anyway? I know there's a lot of lakes out there, but are any of them really big enough for a sub? And what about putting out fires on dry land? What, they're gonna put the sub on a trailer and drive it to a fire? Seems sort of ridiculous if you ask me.

So Ariotta and I figured out this plan to save money.

Everybody should just quit having fires. I mean, we never used to have them before the cave men discovered them, right? So we could just declare the whole area a pre-hysterical district and fires wouldn't be allowed. Think of all the money we'd save.

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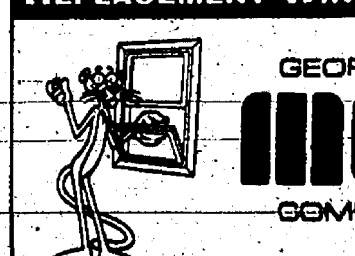
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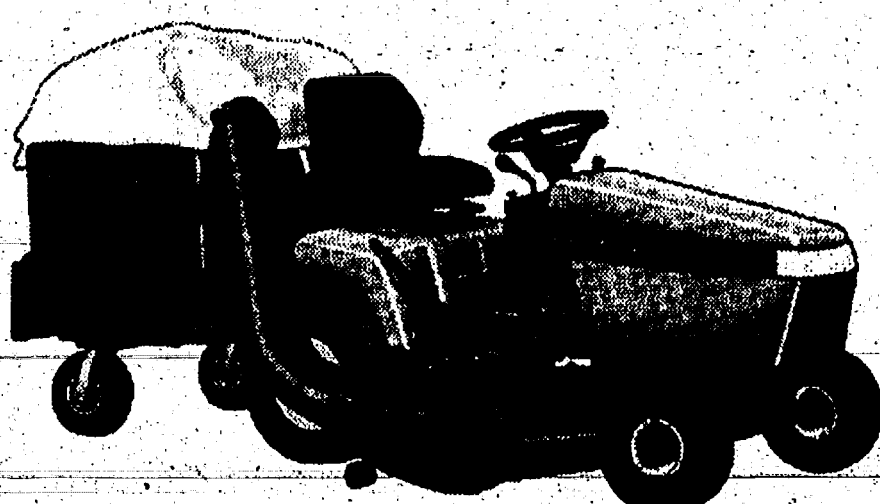
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Local Celeb

Chelsea native widely known in nearby Dexter

By Michelle Rogers

Associate Editor

Although a Chelsea native, Mike McKeighan has one of the most recognizable mugs in Dexter.

The 1970 Chelsea High School graduate works as a window clerk at Dexter Post Office. His recent bid for Dexter Village Council trustee will surely garner him more fame on the local scale.

A former printer by trade who was one of the youngest Linotype operators in the area, McKeighan left the profession for the U.S. Postal Service in 1978. Married at 19 with two children, McKeighan said he was looking for a stable job when he took the civil service exam.

"It was a form of security and good benefits for someone who is not college educated," he says.

McKeighan started at the Ann Arbor post office as a city carrier at age 26 and a year later came to Dexter, delivering mail to over 800 residences and businesses in the village. During his tenure, McKeighan has worked under three postmasters, two of whom were removed under unsavory circumstances.

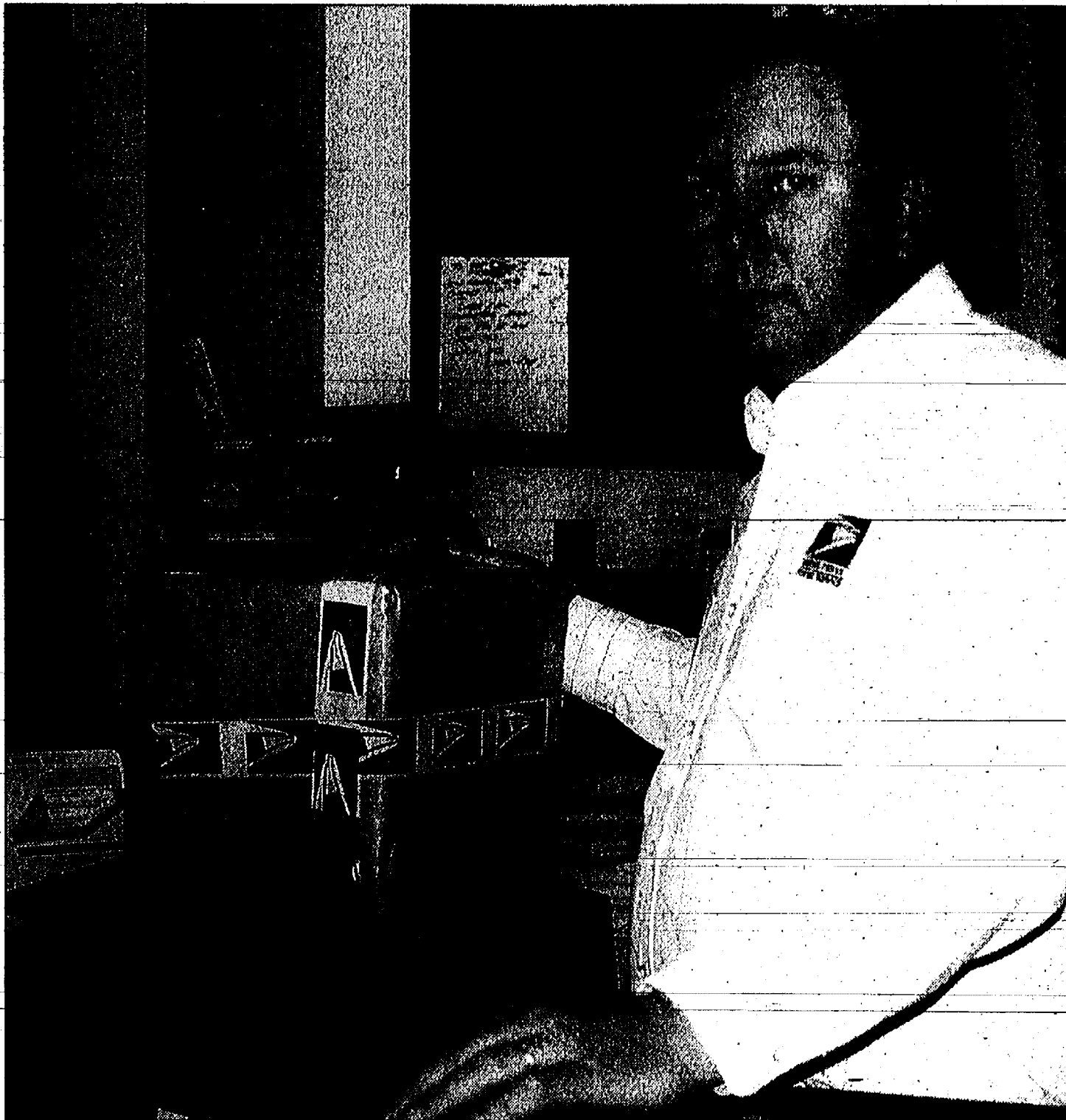
In less than two decades, McKeighan has seen the Dexter area double in size. "And it's due to double again," he notes. The number of rural routes has increased from three to seven, although he says the same number of clerks are employed as when he arrived in 1978.

The holidays are the busiest time at work for McKeighan and he admits they can be stressful. But McKeighan handles it well, often with a smile and a joke.

"I use a sense of humor with people," he says. "That's what gets you through the rough spots in life."

"It's drudgery to wait in line, and on top of that to come across a window clerk who is crabby or gruff. I want to show them a smile. I want to show them what they like to see, and it comes from the heart."

McKeighan says it's the postal customers — his fellow Dexter residents — who get him



Chelsea High School graduate Mike McKeighan now makes his home in Dexter, where he works at the U.S. Postal Service. With all the traffic the post office sees, McKeighan is widely known in the community. He also has put his hat in the political arena, running for Dexter Village Council trustee.

through the day. He knows many by name and says over 90 percent recognize him by face.

If McKeighan is on his porch

is in a hurry she will take another route rather than walk with him.

"It's not a five minute job. It's

PERSONALITY

step at home or walking downtown, he is either waved or stopped for conversation, so much so that if his wife, Nancy,

"Hi, how are you?" or a postal question," he says.

In some respects, McKeighan's local celebrity status is akin to

the rock stars he has photographed over the years. He has taken photographs of Carlos Santana and Huey Lewis, among other musicians from the 1970s and early '80s. McKeighan has been afforded the opportunity from fellow Chelsea High School graduate Jeff Alder, a lighting designer and director.

McKeighan says his approach with the musicians is casual. He is not awestruck. In turn, he

says, they treat him like a friend.

McKeighan's photographs, many autographed, hang in his attic, a place his stepsons call "Mike's room" but he calls "Our cove" because he enjoys sharing its contents and watching old

couple lives in the former parsonage for Dexter United Methodist Church on Central Street. McKeighan's son, Gregory, 21, lives there, as well. His daughter, Sarah, 24, resides near Chelsea.

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— Mike McKeighan

movies in it with his family.

McKeighan's enthusiasm for the music world, old movies and antiques far surpass his interest in career, although he says he appreciates his job. The position has given him stability and benefits, but he does not like the way the government treats its workers or what he describes as politics in the workplace.

"I fully understand the pressure put on these employees. We don't get bonuses. We don't get thanked," McKeighan says.

"It's not a very employee-friendly place to work. There is a lot of favoritism. It's not right that after 90 days probation someone can become boss over a 20-year employee. And it's just not me. We all would feel better if there was a better way of promoting within the ranks."

McKeighan has seen customers become irate, even hostile, but says those times are far and few in between.

"For the most part, it has been a positive thing," he says about his job.

Divorced and a bachelor for 15 years, McKeighan is grateful that it gave him the opportunity to meet his wife, Nancy. They met at the post office. He eventually called her and set up a lunch date. Now, McKeighan says, he lives in the "happiest world you can imagine."

With Nancy's three sons — 10-year-old Cory, 13-year-old Neal and 15-year-old Steven — the

McKeighan has a love of antiques and old movies. "Anything old, I like it, and that's old people too," he says.

McKeighan suspects he was born too late in life or possibly enjoyed a past life.

"I feel real connected to the simpler times," he says. "Life just seemed to be less complicated."

Often he can be found holed up in "Mike's room" watching American movie classics. He also collects comic books and enjoys refinishing furniture. An antique clock and dresser are among his projects.

McKeighan is about a decade away from retirement. When the time comes, he is considering a move to Maine with his family. His wife, who is working on a master's degree in speech pathology at Eastern Michigan University, is a native of Massachusetts, about two hours from Maine. She has family in the area. But what attracts McKeighan to the state is its rural character — something he sees slipping away from Dexter.

Both McKeighan and his wife fought to stop the extension of Central Street through Monument Park. He has noticed the area's growth on the job, too.

"I know the new people from the old people. They want to come out to the rural town but they bring the big city with them," he observes.

Moffett takes risk, leaves teaching job in Ypsilanti for Chelsea

By Michelle Rogers

Associate Editor

What Bob Moffett did a year ago takes guts.

A tenured teacher with more than two decades in the Ypsilanti School District, he resigned to take a teaching position in Chelsea, placing him back on probation and stripping away his seniority.

"After 23 years in one district, I was a little leery at first," admits Moffett, a Sylvan Township resident. "But I really wanted to come to Chelsea."

Moffett wanted to return to coaching. He had coached varsity volleyball, varsity swimming, varsity softball and middle school track, volleyball and basketball in Ypsilanti. But once his children started playing sports in Chelsea, he found it difficult to continue as a coach and still make their games.

TEACHER FEATURE

By switching districts, Moffett has found the best of both worlds. He teaches eighth-grade science, team sports at the high school and swimming to elementary school students and seventh-graders, in addition to coaching. Over the years, he has coached middle school football, varsity baseball and varsity swimming in Chelsea.

An Ypsilanti native, Moffett grew up in a family of educators. His father was a coach and athletic director with Ypsilanti schools and his mother was a professor of dance at Eastern Michigan University.

"So I kind of grew up with teaching and coaching in my background," Moffett says.

"After my freshman year (in college), I decided that's what I wanted to do."

A former high school athlete, Moffett studied physical education at EMU and earned a bachelor's degree in 1976. Seven years later, he added a master's degree in physical education.

Although initially he had reservations about working in the same district as his father, Moffett accepted his first teaching job in Ypsilanti. He worked 15 years at West Middle School and seven at Erickson Elementary School.

"I didn't want people saying 'Bob Moffett got this job because of his dad.' I wanted to get it on my own," Moffett says.

And over the years, Moffett feels that he has made a name for himself as a coach and teacher.

His favorite class to teach is swimming, but says teaching any physical activity is fun for him.

"I guess I enjoy the swimming a little more because it's a different environment," Moffett says.

Teaching swimming to students in grades 3-5 brings him the most satisfaction. They receive 13 days of instruction.

"I really think it's important for a community like Chelsea, with so many lakes, to have kids who are water safe," Moffett says.

"I kind of teach the way I coach, meaning I teach kids proper techniques and the fundamentals. I guess I am a technician. So when they learn the skills, they'll feel comfortable doing it. Once they start playing, they have fun and that's important in physical education so they stay with it."

Through his position in Chelsea, Moffett comes in contact with a wide range of ages.

"I really like all levels," he says. "Some people ask 'How can you go from high school to elementary kids?' But I just take it down to the next level. I am pretty easygoing. You just deal with kids at their level."

Moffett has three basic rules: all students must come to class with a positive attitude, they must participate and wear proper equipment.

When Moffett was in school he remembers that only the best athletes got good grades in gym class. But this veteran educator says he awards good grades to anyone who participates.

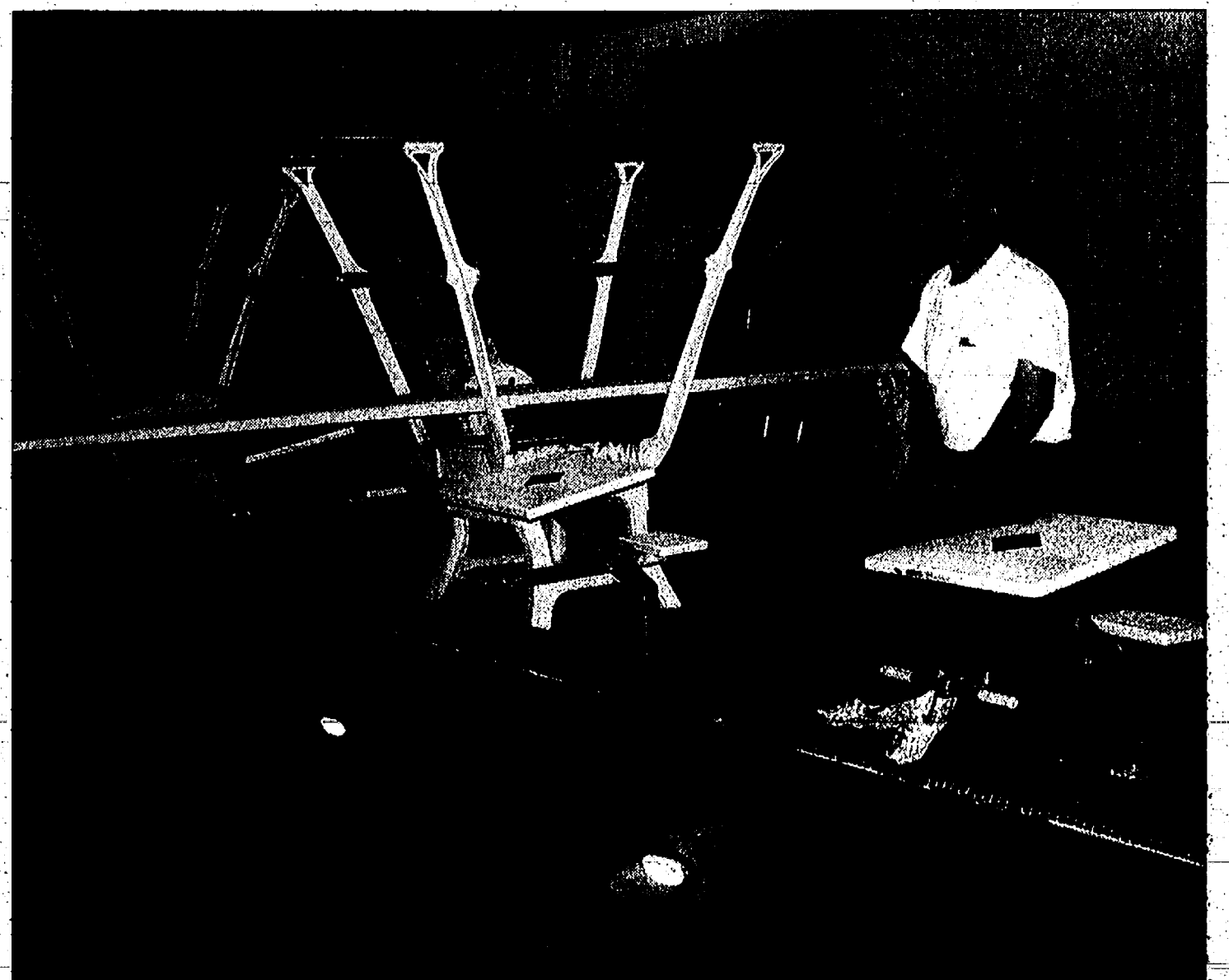
As a teacher and coach, Moffett says he hopes students respect him. He says he wants them to know that they can turn to him with any problem.

The highlight of his career has been working with children and seeing them enjoy school.

"It's being able to come in and seeing kids have a good time, smiling and enjoying the environment they're in," Moffett says.

The rewarding moments are when he sees an elementary school child learn how to dribble a basketball and they smile over their feat or when students tell him how much they enjoy his class. Those, Moffett says, are the everyday highlights.

"Teaching is a job that is very rewarding in that somewhere down the line you'll hopefully impress upon a student or a parent that education is important," Moffett says. "Hopefully, you'll see



Bob Moffett left a 23-year career with Ypsilanti schools to teach in Chelsea. He teaches eighth-grade science, team sports at the high school and swimming to elementary school students and seventh-graders, in addition to coaching. Over the years, he has coached middle school football, varsity baseball and varsity swimming in Chelsea.

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Looking back on his own education, Moffett says going to school with a variety of people with different ethnic backgrounds contributed to his personality.

"I think that helped me because the person I am, I get along with all different kinds of people," he says. "I think I have an open mind and I look at everyone as an individual. I am able to get along with them that way."

When he is not in the classroom or on the side-

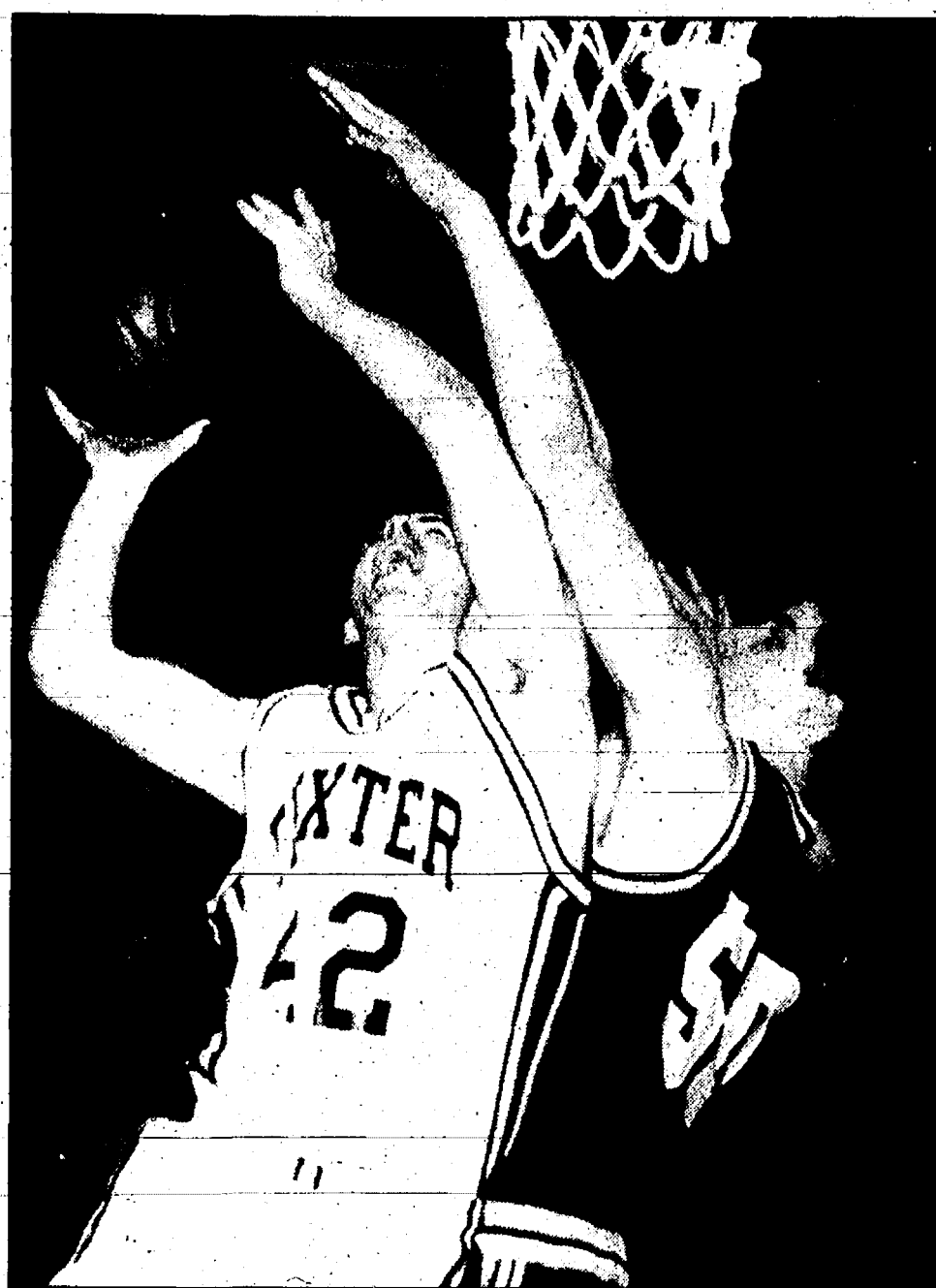
lines coaching, Moffett can be found spending time with his family. He is married to Brenda, a legal secretary in Chelsea, and they have three children, Matthew, a freshman at Chelsea High School, Katrina, a seventh-grader at Beach Middle School, and Robbie, a fifth-grader at Pierce Lake Elementary School.

Moffett also enjoys fishing and hunting. The family owns a second home on 60 acres in Ludington where they spend some of their summer vacation.

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Chelsea plays hard but can't catch Dreadnaughts



Alan Bairley defends against Dexter's Nick Dyer during last Friday's game in Dexter. Photo by Doug Houk

By Jon Royce

Special Writer

Chelsea Bulldogs varsity basketball team lost to Dexter 45-43 in Dexter last Friday.

The loss eliminates any realistic chance for an SEC title as the Bulldogs dropped to 6-4 in league play.

Chelsea had almost all the pieces it needed to defeat Dexter. The Bulldogs won the turnover battle 16-12 and had just one fewer rebound, 24-23, as they limited Dexter to just a few offensive rebounds.

The Bulldogs also shot better from the line, sinking 11-of-14 to Dexter's 6-of-15.

Unfortunately, the one piece the Bulldogs were missing was shooting and you can't win if you can't put the ball through the hoop. The Bulldogs shot a paltry 33 percent from the floor as they struggled to hit the open 15-footer.

Coach Robin Raymond was disappointed with the loss but happy with the effort by the team.

"Overall I was pleased with the game. We were in their gym and we played hard," Raymond said.

"We didn't give them the runs we did before."

When asked what the difference in the game was Raymond responded succinctly.

"Shooting, we got good looks we just weren't knocking

them down."

Chelsea's player of the game was junior shooting guard Sean Davis. Davis has come on strong the last five games, averaging about 15 points. Against Dexter he was a little below his average with 11 points. He also had three rebounds, three assists and three steals.

"Sean had one of his better all around games for us, he got his hands on a lot of loose balls," Raymond said.

In the first quarter Chelsea stayed close to Dexter with its free throw shooting. Six of its 11 first-quarter points came from the line.

In the second quarter, Davis had five of Chelsea's nine points as the Bulldogs went into the locker room down three, 23-20.

Chelsea went on a small run to start the third quarter with senior guard Rourke Skelton streaking in for two lay-ups and senior forward Vince Scheffler hitting another as Chelsea took the lead for the first time 26-25.

Dexter refused to panic and answered with a run of their own as they out-scored the Bulldogs 9-3 in the final minutes of the quarter. The Dreadnaughts led 34-29 going into the final period.

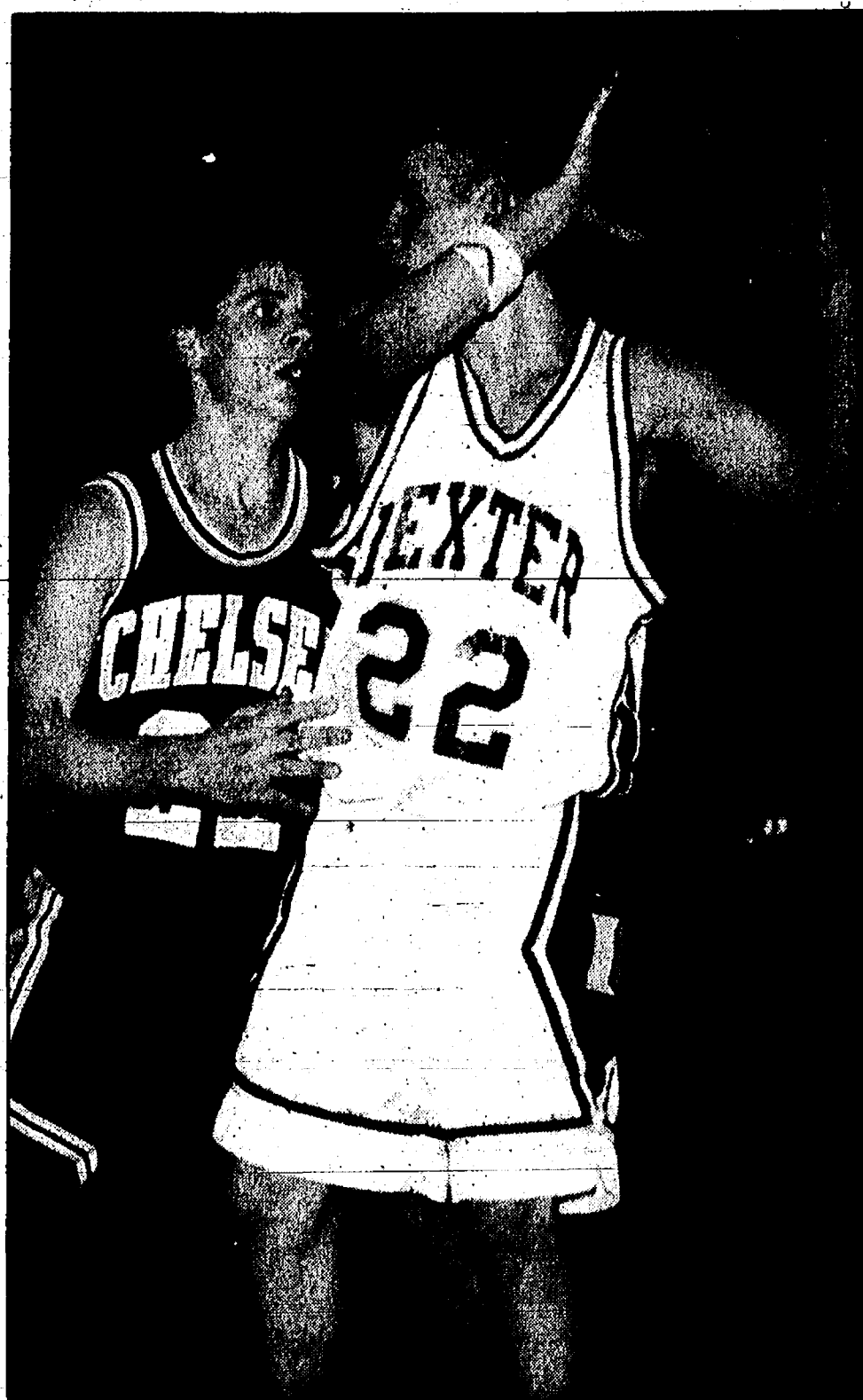
The fourth quarter was Chelsea's best as they clawed

their way back into the game.

Senior guard Aaron Ruhlig had seven fourth-quarter points but it wasn't enough as the Bulldogs failed to get off a shot in the last four seconds of

the game.

Davis had 11 points, Skelton and Vince Scheffler both had eight and Ruhlig had seven. Tony Scheffler led the team in rebounds with seven.



Aaron Ruhlig puts defensive pressure on the Dreadnaughts in last Friday night's key SEC matchup. Chelsea couldn't quite catch Dexter down the stretch. Photo by Doug Houk

Spikers to play for league title

By Frank Dimich

Special Writer

After losing two times to Dexter this season, Chelsea coach Dan Montgomery told his team to relax and play their game Monday in their third meeting.

"What I said was basically we just got to turn it loose," he said.

The approach paid off in a 16-14, 15-11 win at Dexter Monday. The win now gives the Bulldogs the opportunity to win the championship outright from Saline in a game against the Hornets tonight at Chelsea. Saline and Chelsea are tied for first at 10-1 in the SEC.

Saline's only loss came to Chelsea. "Saline doesn't need much hype, there's a rivalry there probably," Montgomery said.

Part of the strategy was realizing that this game didn't affect whether or not they could win the SEC, but just whether they would have company at the top. If Dexter had won, and Chelsea had beaten Saline, there would have been a three-way tie for the championship. Now, Dexter is 9-3 in the SEC and can finish to better than third.

"Even to share that's quite an honor," Montgomery said. "(But) Saline is the must win game to have any chance for the championship."

The Bulldogs (23-7 overall) were down 8-2 in the first game, and came back to tie it at 10. The comeback was helped by strong serving from Amy McCalla, who was 7-for-8 serving in the first game.

"McCalla is an excellent server, she had her drop ball working well," Dexter coach Bob Burns said.

The Bulldogs never really lost any momentum after getting back into that game.

"With these teams, you'll see one team get the momentum and the other team get the momentum," Montgomery said.

Dexter had the momentum in the two previous matches, especially in its 15-4, 15-4 SEC win Jan. 28 at Chelsea.

"I would say that first Dexter match was our worst all season," Montgomery said.

But the Bulldogs also lost 10-15, 6-15 to Dexter Feb. 6 at the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational. They will probably have to play the Dreads two more times this season — Saturday at the Bratt Invitational and Mar. 5 in the district tournament at Chelsea.

"Chelsea has improved and we didn't respond," Burns said.

In Monday's match, Lindsay Powers led the Bulldogs with 10 kills, Lindsey Brink had seven and Kristin Ellis, five. Defensively, Ellis led with eight digs and Powers had seven.

McCalla led with five aces and five assists for the match.

Chelsea also beat Milan 15-13, 15-3 Thursday at home.

Powers led with 11 kills, Ellis had six, Jill Drexler, three, and Brink, McCalla, Karla Detling, Mora Arnold and Miranda Harris, one each.

Harris led with eight assists and Lindsey Baker had six. Defensively, Powers led with five digs. Baker, Drexler and Brink had three each, Harris and Val Schiller had two each and Ellis Molly Edman and Celeste Bycraft one each.

Powers had four service aces to lead the Bulldogs. Brink had two and Baker one.



Bulldog defenders were tough at the net against Dexter and took revenge for earlier losses to the Dreadnaughts. Photo by Doug Houk

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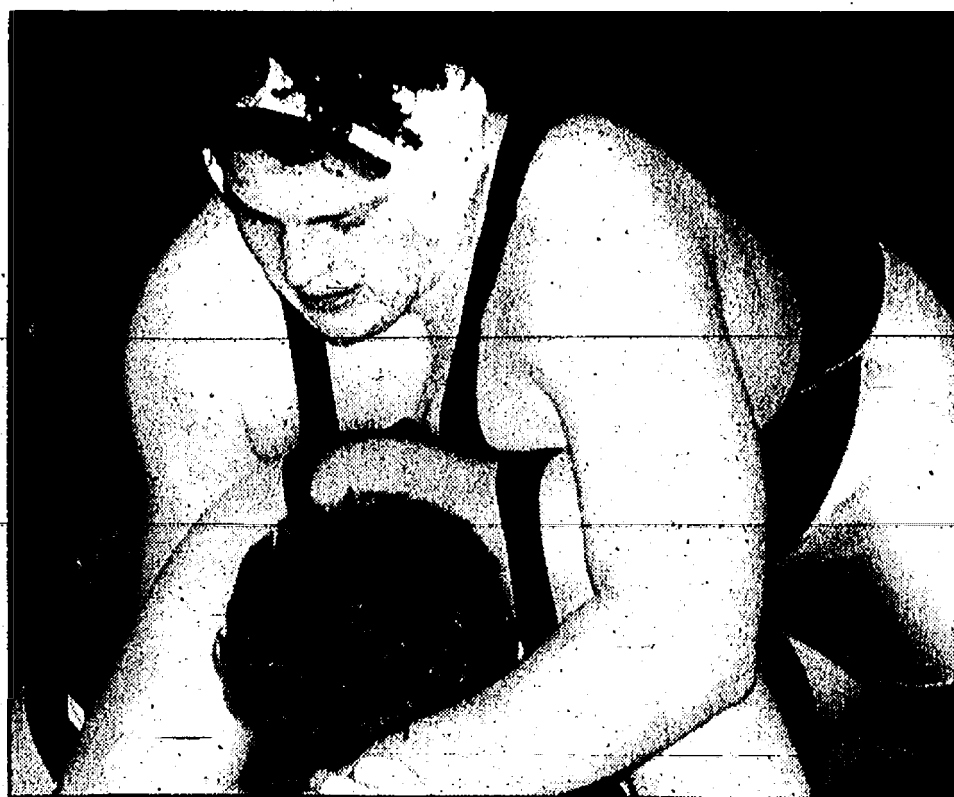
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Wrestlers qualify for regional



Nate Dawson placed second at heavyweight at the individual district tournament last Saturday to qualify for the regionals this Saturday.



Dan Dault pins his opponent from Jackson Northwest during last week's team district tournament in Chelsea. Dault qualified for the individual regional tournament at 171 pounds this weekend.

By Frank Dimich

Special Writer

Although the rest of their team is done until next season, five Chelsea wrestlers extended their season at the individual district tournament Saturday at Clio.

They now qualify for individual regionals this Saturday at Hartland. The top four finishers in each class qualify for the individual Division II state finals Mar. 13.

Derék Egeler finished second Saturday at 160 pounds, losing a 9-6 decision to Russel Thorne from Eaton Rapids.

Nate Dawson at heavyweight was also second, losing a 9-5 decision to Mason's Levi Rice, who finished fourth in the state in Division II last season.

"He (Dawson) put this kid on his back, so he has the possibility of beating him," Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel said. "On a given day, I think these kids could beat their opponents."

They also have the possibility of getting another shot at these opponents. "I think they'll see these kids again," Kargel said.

Ben Vogel also qualified with a third-place finish at 152. Dan Dault was also third at 171 and Grant Bollinger was fourth at 135.

The rest of the team's season is done because Jackson Northwest beat Chelsea 46-23 in the team district semifinal Wednesday at Chelsea.

Jackson Northwest is an experienced team that is

strong at almost every weight class.

"They're legitimate in the sense that they had every weight class filled," Kargel said. "Their kids had a lot of mat time and that's an advantage."

"Some of the matches could've gone either way. I expected the score to be a little bit closer," Kargel said.

Chelsea finishes with a 9-6-1 and 4-1-1 Southeastern Conference dual-meet record. The Bulldogs finished second in the SEC behind Saline.

"That's a goal we had for this season, to finish above .500," Kargel said.

Winners were Dan Graff with an 11-4 decision at 103. Vogel won an 11-2 decision at 152. Egeler won by pin in 2:30 at 160, Dault by pin in 4:39 at 171 and Dawson by pin in 2:54 at heavyweight.

Kargel said his team did the best they could all year, considering the Bulldogs had an array of injuries to deal with. They also had to forfeit 119 most of the year.

"All season we had someone injured or sick at one spot or another," Kargel said. "When you're competing against a good team, you can't give anything."

"The upper part (of the lineup) is stronger than the bottom part and it has been all year. We had a little more depth there."

But the Bulldogs lose only four seniors. Two of those, Dault and Bollinger, are in the regionals.

Chelsea freshmen dominating SEC basketball

The Chelsea freshman basketball team continued its almost perfect run through the Southeastern Conference with a 65-38 win at Milan Thursday.

The margin of victory came as a little bit of surprise to Chelsea coach Scott Barrett because the last time these two met, Chelsea won by just nine.

"I thought it would be a lit-

tle-tougher game," Barrett said. "We played a lot better this time."

The Bulldogs (12-1, 9-1 SEC) went out to an 18-5 lead at the end of the first period, and Milan was never really in it after that. Chelsea led 30-13 at halftime and outscored Milan 22-13 in the third for a 52-26 lead, its largest of the game.

"We were running quite a

bit and that helped," Barrett said. "They (Milan) played better defense last time."

Eddie McClendon led the Bulldogs with 18 points. "He had a good shooting night," Barrett said.

Dan Mueller scored 10, Kent Reames, nine, Joe Tri-

podi, six, Tim Bentley and Andy Smith, five each, Kyle Schrotenboer, four, and Mike Mignano, two.

Barrett also complimented the efforts of Kevin Riddle and Chris Kinaschuk, who each had two points off the bench.

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Going To Regionals

Derek Egeler has overcome an early-season injury to qualify again for this weekend's regional tournament at 160 pounds. Here he pins his opponent during last week's district tournament in Chelsea.

Freshman spikers win Hartland Invitational

The Chelsea freshman volleyball team won its last tournament of the season, finishing first at the Hartland Invitational Saturday.

The Bulldogs beat Ann Arbor-Greenhills 9-15, 15-10, 15-8 in the final and Ypsilanti 12-15, 15-7, 15-8 in the semifinal.

"Everybody worked hard and contributed to coming back," Chelsea coach Terri McCalla said of both matches.

The Bulldogs went 6-2 in pool play, beating Howell 15-7, 15-4, splitting with Hartland 15-11, 10-15, splitting Ypsilanti 12-15, 15-13 and beating Green Hill 15-11, 15-7.

Heather Steinaway was 16 for 16 serving with four aces for the day. Cara Long was 28-of-29 with five aces, Meghan Tandy 18-of-22 with five aces, Tracy Carter 24-of-29 with six aces and Connie Kolokithas

16-of-18. Carter led the Bulldogs with six kills. Jenelle Vicek had four and Tandy and Tanner two each.

Chelsea (18-5-4, 8-2 SEC) also picked up another Southeastern Conference win with a 15-2, 15-3 win over Milan at home Thursday.

"We used all three hits every time which led to a lot of assists by Heather Steinaway and Cara Long," McCalla said.

Vicek and Audrey Richardson led with two kills each. Long, Steinaway, Kristi Tarantowski and Carter each had one.

Long led the serving, going 15 for 15 with six aces. Vicek was 4-of-4 with two aces, Tarantowski 3-of-3 with three aces and Steinaway 3-of-3 with two aces.

—Frank Dimich

Beach wrestlers top Tecumseh

Beach Middle School wrestlers finished their dual-meet season last Tuesday with a victory over Tecumseh Middle School. Chelsea wrestlers won 19 of the 24 matches.

Chelsea got off to a superior start winning the first four matches!

Dave Graff at 90 pounds, Randy Ostrowski at 95 pounds, Ed Escher at 95 pounds, Ryan Keiser at 105 pounds, Andy Hurst at 115 pounds, David Fedele at 120 pounds, Sean Powell at 125 pounds, Karl Wint at 130 pounds, Dave Dault at 135 pounds, Darl Bauer at 140 pounds, Ryan Houle at 140 pounds, and Ross Davis at 155 all pinned their opponents. Ryan Lundquist, Ben Rodgers, and Evan Johnson won their matches by points. Five of the previous Chelsea wrestlers were able to win second-round matches giving Chelsea a total of 19 wins.

Chelsea finished the dual meet season with a 4-2 record.

After a strong showing in the last dual meet of the season, Beach Middle School wrestlers followed up with an excellent showing at the Tecumseh Phillip James Memorial Tournament, where 15 Chelsea wrestlers won medals.

Graff at 95 pounds, Ostrowski at 100 pounds, Keiser at 105 pounds, Dault at 137 pounds, and Houle at 145 pounds all won championships

at the tournament.

Josh Clark at 70 pounds, Fred Dehn, at 80 pounds, Matt Robinson at 90 pounds, Johnson at 115 pounds, and Fedele at 120 pounds captured second-place medals at the tournament.

Spencer Gallagher at 85 pounds, Rodgers at 115 pounds, Hurst at 120 pounds, Bauer at 145 pounds, and Joel Powers at 155 pounds took third-place honors.

In addition to the wrestlers who received medals, a number of Chelsea wrestlers won matches at the Tecumseh Tournament. Lundquist, Davis, Zack Powers, and Josh Rohrer all won matches at the tournament.

Aquatic Club swims well in loss to Saline

Chelsea Aquatic Club lost by 30 points to Saline in their last duel meet.

The 8-and-under swimmers of the meet were Erin Alber and Ryan Wrathall. Alber had a fine breaststroke, while Wrathall had a great start and 25-yard freestyle. The 9-10 swimmer of the meet was Maggie Manville, who won her heat in the 50-yard breaststroke for the girls.

The 11-12 swimmers of the meet were Alise Augustine, who won both the 50-yard freestyle and 50-yard breaststroke, and was a member of the winning medley relay; and Nathaniel Christman who had a personal best time in the 50-yard breaststroke.

The 13-14 swimmer of the meet was Mike Policht, who had a good 50-yard freestyle with close to a best time.

Medley Relay
8-under boys (100 yds.): 2. Ian Hughes, Trevor Hughes, Nicholas Dyerly, Ryan Wrathall, 1:42.34

9-10 boys (200 yds.): 2. Warren Dyerly, Mitch Cook, Daniel Augustine, Allen Kalis, 2:51.95; 3. Tom Bloomfield, Ben Kellogg, Robbie Pagliarini, Dustin Catalano, 3:22.67.

9-10 girls (200 yds.): 1. Kelyn Pagliarini, April Adams, Jessica Lodewyk, Christine Kelley, 2:34.16; 3. Nicole Lodewyk, Maggie Manville, Cassie Vachon, Alice Butcher, 2:56.97.

11-12 girls (200 yds.): 1. Daniele Hughes, Liz Rohrkemper, Alise Augustine, Kelly Butcher, 2:16.82.

Freestyle
8-under boys (25 yds.): 2. Nicholas Dyerly, 17.25; 6. Ryan Wrathall, 31.44.

8-under girls (25 yds.): 5. Erin Alber, 22.26; 6. Kelly Whitley, 22.30; 7. Emily Sparrow, 29.76.

9-10 boys (50 yds.): 1. Daniel Augustine, 34.17; 4. Warren Dyerly, 37.78; 6. Allen Kalis, 42.32; 8. Robbie Pagliarini, 45.19; 9. Blake Burnette, 45.93; 10. Dustin Catalano, 45.95; 11. Zach Coleman, 48.64; 12. Evan Mathis, 50.58; 14. Tom Bloomfield, 50.85.

9-10 girls (50 yds.): 1. Jessica Lodewyk, 32.47; 4. Kelyn Pagliarini, 34.94; 6. Alice Butcher, 36.93; 8. Brittany Hansen, 50.31; 9. Krista Wallace, 1:01.90.

11-12 boys (50 yds.): 1. Andy Kellogg, 30.76; 4. Cody Schiller, 35.56; 6. Nat Christman, 37.29.

11-12 girls (50 yds.): 1. Alise Augustine, 29.91; 2. Liz Rohrkemper, 29.93; 3. Daniele Hughes, 30.01; 4. Jennifer Adams, 32.27.

13-14 boys (50 yds.): 1. Aaron Connell, 29.37; 2. Mike Policht, 29.70; 3. Matt Holmes, 29.82; 5. Matt Kellogg, 34.14.

13-14 girls (50 yds.): 2. Sarah Manville, 28.51.

Breaststroke
8-under boys (25 yds.): 2. Trevor Hughes, 22.20; 4. Ian Hughes, 27.21.

8-under girls (25 yds.): 5. Kelly Whitley, 34.13; 6. Erin Alber, 36.19; 7. Emily Sparrow, 40.81.

9-10 boys (50 yds.): 2. Daniel Augustine, 45.36; 4. Mitch Cook, 49.65; 6. Ben Kellogg, 55.01; 7. Allen Kalis, 56.70; 9. Zach Coleman, 1:03.22; 10. Evan Mathis, 1:09.72; NS. Blake Burnette.

9-10 girls (50 yds.): 1. April Adams, 42.39; 4. Nicole Lodewyk, 53.55; 5. Maggie Manville, 53.76; 6. Christine Kelley, 53.90; 9. Cassie Vachon, 55.08; 10. Leah Smith, 1:00.77.

11-12 boys (50 yds.): 2. Andy Kellogg, 41.89; 4. Nat Christman, 45.95; 5. Cody Schiller, 51.47.

11-12 girls (50 yds.): 1. Alise Augustine, 35.94; 3. Jennifer Adams, 40.17; 4. Kelly Butcher, 44.22; 6. Danielle McClelland, 45.00.

13-14 boys (100 yds.): 1. Matt Holmes, 1:16.97; 2. Aaron Connell, 1:26.53; 4. Mike Policht,

1:40.45; 5. Matt Kellogg, 1:46.14. 13-14 girls (100 yds.): 1. Sarah Manville, 1:21.53.

Freestyle Relay
8-under boys (100 yds.): 1. Ian Hughes, Ryan Wrathall, Trevor Hughes, Nick Dyerly, 1:21.67.

9-10 boys (200 yds.): 2. Dustin Catalano, Robbie Pagliarini, Evan Mathis, Warren Dyerly, 3:00.70; 3. Blake Burnette, Mitch Cook, Tom Bloomfield, Ben Kellogg,

3:20.10. 9-10 girls (200 yds.): 2. April Adams, Christine Kelley, Kelyn Pagliarini, Jessica Lodewyk, 2:17.45; 4. Leah Smith, Brittany Hansen, Maggie Manville, Krista Wallace, 3:14.67.

11-12 girls (200 yds.): 1. Danielle McClelland, Jennifer Adams, Daniele Hughes, Liz Rohrkemper, 2:66.99.

13-14 boys (200 yds.): 1. Mike Policht, Matt Kellogg, Aaron Connell, Matt Holmes, 2:05.34.



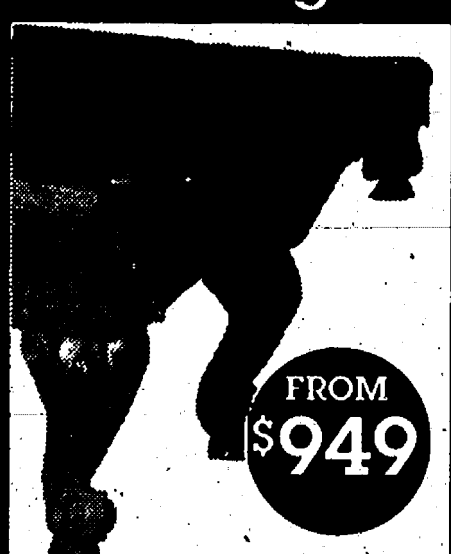
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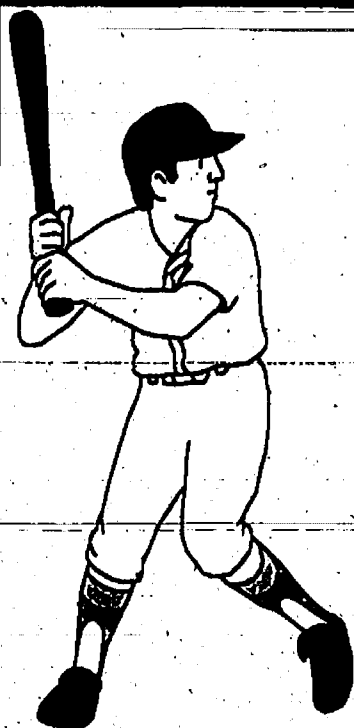
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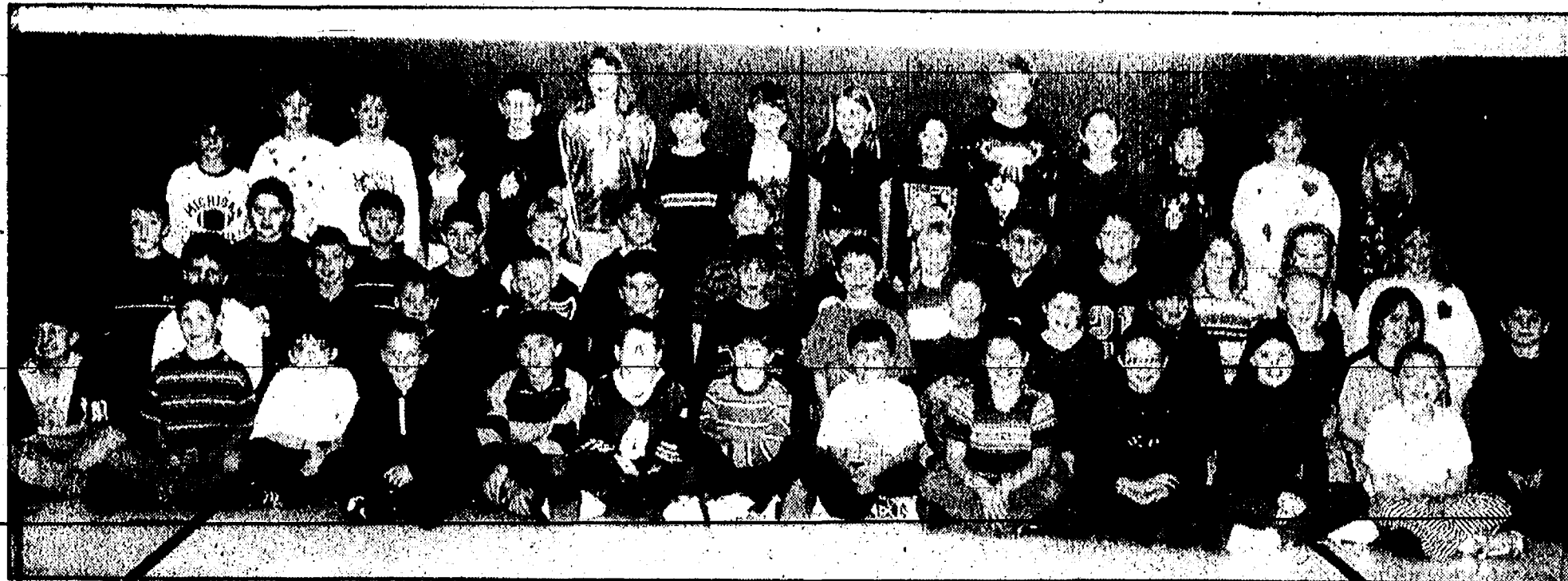
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Eighth-grade volleyball team extends unbeaten streak

Beach Middle School eighth-grade volleyball team beat Tecumseh in three games Feb. 16 and Lincoln in three games on Feb. 18. Chelsea won the Tecumseh match 11-5, 11-7 and 12-10. Alison Sacks had four attacks and Cynthia Johnson, three.

Anna Arend and Kirva She-

remet had five assists each. Courtney Bentley led the team with seven service points, Julia Arnold and Sacks had six each, and Alison Mann, Krystal Space and Sarah Brigham had three each. Chelsea was down 10-3 in the third game before making a comeback.

Arend and Stephanie Minzey played well at the net, according to coach Ann Schaffner. Chelsea won the Lincoln match 11-1, 11-7 and 11-2. Jenny Parker was the leading attacker with three and Katie Marshall and Carly Daniels had two each. Arend, Minzey and Julie

Inwood had four assists, and Arnold had three. Minzey led the team with seven service points, Bentley had six, Mann, five, Krystal Space, five, and Cynthia Johnson, four. Chelsea has a 7-0 record.

Seventh graders win two more volleyball matches

Beach Middle School seventh-grade volleyball team topped Tecumseh in five games Feb. 16, then came back Feb. 18 to beat Lincoln in three games. Chelsea came back after losing two of the first three games against Tecumseh to win the last two games. Scores were 2-11, 11-2, 3-11, 11-9 and 11-4. Tiffany Shreves led the

Bullpups with two aces, while Meghan Reames, Ashley Gadbury and Devon Lixey each had one. Shreves served eight consecutive points. Reames served six points and Melissa Koch, five. Gadbury, Rachel Dotson and Missy Morcom each served three, while Lindsay Parker, Sidney Olinyk, Devon Lixey and Nicole Collins each

served two. Chelsea won the Lincoln match 11-0, 11-5 and 11-3. Koch, Dotson, Lixey, Olinyk and Gadbury each had one ace. Lixey paced the team with five service points, Beth Robertson, Parker, Rene Johnston, Gadbury and Sidney Olinyk each served three points, and Maureen Callery served two. Chelsea had a 5-2 record.

Key games just ahead for Chelsea Hockey Club

Chelsea Bulldog Hockey Club has played 27 hockey games so far this season. However, no game will match the importance of Friday night's game against the Saline Hornets. The Bulldogs (13-12-2, 5-1-1 league) hold a very slim one-point lead. Chelsea must either win or tie to capture its first ever league championship. Saline's league record is 12-2, with one of its losses to the Bulldogs. The importance of this game is magnified by the fact that the Southeastern confer-

ence playoffs are approaching (Saturday, March 6 and Sunday, March 7). Top-seed positioning is also at stake.

Friday's game will be played at the Cube in Ann Arbor, and game time will be 9:45 p.m.

JV cagers nip Dexter with late 3-pointer

A last-second three-point shot by Chris Cooper gave the Chelsea JV basketball team a 49-47 victory over the Dexter Headknights last Friday in Dexter. However, it was the defense that stood out all game. "Our defense continues to play well, holding the sixth straight opponent to under 50 points," said Chelsea coach Mark Scheese. "Offensively we have to improve after losing Ben Myers and his 19 points a game to injury." Mike Radka and Joel Gamm scored 12 points each, Chris Brigham had six and Brian Sayers and Cory Pickles had two each. Chelsea is 8-2 in the Southeastern Conference and 12-4 overall.

Coaches sought for AAU

Organizers are looking for coaches for Chelsea AAU girls volleyball teams.

the age 16 group, and one or two teams in the age 18 group. Tryout dates have not been set.

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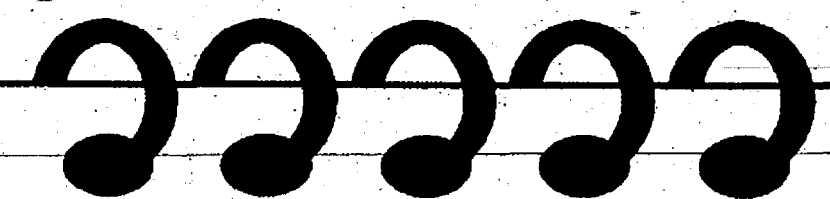
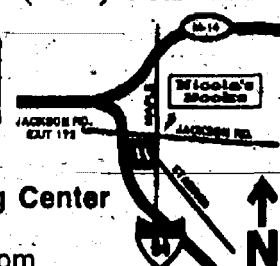
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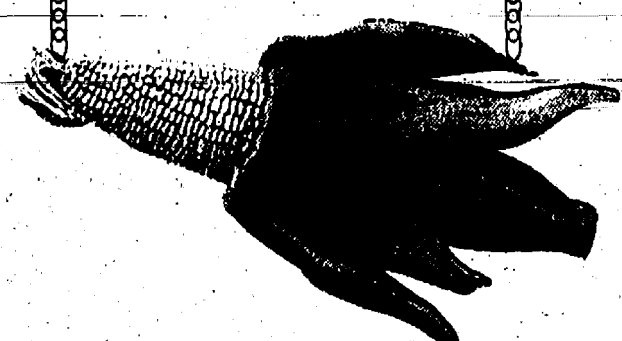
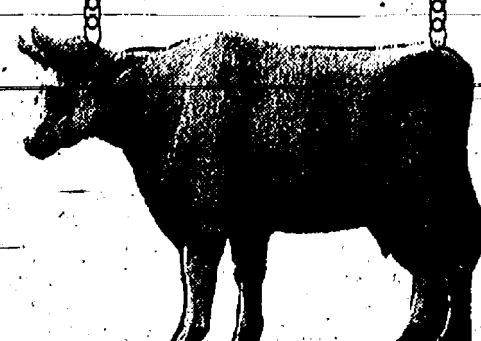
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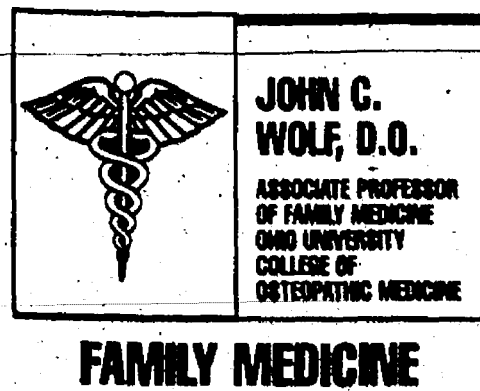
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After a few days the cycle begins again, and this continues through January and February. My doctor suggests that I might be allergic to something in my home. If that were

the case, why would I not have it at warmer temperatures?

Answer: Because the tissues of the nose and sinus areas have abundant nerve endings, any condition that causes swelling or irritation in the nose and sinuses can also produce pain. True sinusitis — an actual infection in the sinus cavities — is over diagnosed by individuals who think they have sinus problems as well as by their physicians.

The symptoms you describe — pressure and pain in the face — certainly can be the result of a sinus infection, but blockage of the sinus openings is a more common cause.

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The bones and cartilage

that make up your nasal passages and sinuses are covered with nerve-rich mucus membranes. Beneath some sections of the mucus membrane there is a special tissue that can engorge with blood, thereby causing that common experience of having one's nose suddenly become "stopped up."

Functioning of this complex system is under the control of the nervous system. Therefore, any conditions that interfere with the nerves, blood supply, mucus membranes or the bones themselves can produce "sinusitis" symptoms.

Also contributing to "sinus problems" is the fact that nasal and sinus bones can be shaped in ways that are not optimal and, thereby, increase the risk of sinus infection or cause pain in other ways. These problems can include sinus openings that are too small or too large as well as irregularly shaped nasal bones that reduced space for air-passages.

While it can be difficult to

determine the exact cause of nasal swelling, discharge and pain your history helps narrow the possibilities. You are correct in your assumption that allergy would cause your symptoms at other times. An additional clue comes from cold temperatures bringing about an attack. Infection doesn't work this way, but my prime suspect — vasomotor rhinitis — can be triggered by cold exposure.

Vasomotor rhinitis is an incompletely understood disorder that involves a disturbance in the way the parasympathetic nervous system controls the blood vessels in the nose. An attack produces swelling in the nose with resultant "sinus" pressure and pain. The glands of the nose become overactive. This produces the runny nose. In addition to cold exposure, attacks can be triggered by polluted air or even bright light exposure.

There are effective treatments for vasomotor rhinitis, but there is currently no cure. Many family doctors are skillful at treating this disorder. If your family doctor isn't well versed in treating it, however, he or she can refer you to an ear-nose-throat specialist who can help you.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Grosvenor Hall, Athens, Ohio 45701.



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Artist of the Week

Weseley Powell was named Artist of the Week at Cornerstone Elementary School. Powell and his fellow kindergartners have been learning about Australia and Aboriginal artists. Some Aboriginal artists use their hand prints to represent themselves.

Help coming for ulcer sufferers

Permanent relief is available for many of the millions of people suffering from the pain and distress of ulcers.

And it's not in the form of any of the dozens of over-the-counter medications gobbled down by those with stomach pain.

Rather, a simple blood or breath test may well show that ulcer sufferers carry a spiral-shaped bacterium that causes the stomach disorder and can be forever eradicated with antibiotics.

The biggest challenge is not diagnosing the disease, but persuading physicians and patients to test for it.

"If you have been told by your physician that you have had an ulcer, or currently have an ulcer, it's imperative that you go and talk to your doctor about getting tested," says Dr. A. Mark Fendrick, associate professor of internal medicine at the University of Michigan.

Up to 90 percent of ulcer patients are infected with an organism known as *Helicobacter*

pylori, or *H. pylori*. The bacterium lives in the lining of the stomach. Not only can a diagnosis of *H. pylori* infection result in curing ulcers, it may reduce the risk of stomach cancer in ulcer patients.

An ulcer is a hole or a sore in the lining of the stomach. Common ulcer symptoms are burning and gnawing stomach pains.

In Michigan, anywhere from 15 to 40 percent of people experiencing stomach pain are infected with *H. pylori*. The disease typically is more prevalent among older people, African-Americans, Hispanics and people in lower socioeconomic groups. Nationwide, 25 million Americans suffer from ulcers.

Ulcers exact not only a painful physical toll, but an economic one as well. The price tag for treatment, lost work and reduced productivity is nearly \$6 billion, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

That's why Fendrick believes it's critical to test people with ulcers for *H. pylori* rather than see them continue to spend money on temporary solutions to ease their pain.

"There are millions of Americans who carry the diagnosis of peptic ulcer disease for which many of them are taking medicines to control acid production once a day, twice a day, three times a day, or even four times a day," Fendrick says. "This is a major inconvenience and it comes at a great cost."

A blood test or a breath test detects the presence of *H. pylori*. Antibiotics are used to treat an infection, along with medication to reduce stomach acid. It takes about two weeks to kill the bacterium in the stomach.

"This discovery of *H. pylori*

makes it easy to diagnose, easy to treat and may help patients in a large majority of cases get off chronic medication. A real neat part of it is that in these patients it actually saves money in the long run," Fendrick says. "So it works for the hospital system, it works for the patients and it works for the physicians."

It worked for Dale Heim of Ann Arbor. Until being diagnosed with an *H. pylori* infection, he believed the ulcer was due to stress.

"When I first heard that it was a bacteria that probably caused this ulcer I was really surprised, because I thought all ulcers were caused by stress or else irritated by what you ate," Heim says. "It was a surprising shock to me when the doctor says I did not have to change my eating habits; I like Mexican food and I like spicy food, so this was a real relief to me."

Studies have found that people with *H. pylori* infection are at greater risk of developing stomach cancer, the second most common cancer in the world. The World Health Organization has classified *H. pylori* as a possible link to gastric cancer. While more research is needed in the area of *H. pylori* infection and cancer, Fendrick says there may come a day when testing for the bacterium is as worthwhile as testing for prostate, breast and colorectal cancers.

Not all ulcers are caused by *H. pylori*. Other causes are smoking, stress and the excessive use of nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs such as aspirin and ibuprofen.

For more information, call U-M TeleCare at (800) 742-2300 or, on the World Wide Web, visit <http://www.med.umich.edu/> and select health tip of the week.

Parenting event set

March is Parenting Awareness Month in Michigan.

As part of this statewide effort, Washtenaw County Parenting Awareness Coalition will be joining hundreds of parenting groups from across Michigan to celebrate the event.

The coalition will sponsor a kick off event called "Project Parent." It will be held on Friday, March 12, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Washtenaw County Library Learning Resource Center at the Country Service Center.

Many municipalities have passed proclamations to recognize and support March as Parenting Awareness Month.

The purpose of Parenting Awareness Month is to:

1. Draw public attention to the critical importance of effective parenting for creating children who grow up to be happy, healthy and independent adults.
2. Promote education and resources for developing parenting skills throughout the year.
3. Encourage and assist in the development of parent networks throughout Michigan.
4. Promote locally planned events in March each year which focus on parenting and networks.

Groups, individuals and organizations are encouraged to participate in the Parenting Awareness Month celebration in Washtenaw County. For more information on how you can be a part of this celebration, call Janice Amin (734) 817-1236 or Terry Jones (734) 971-0079 ext. 2807.

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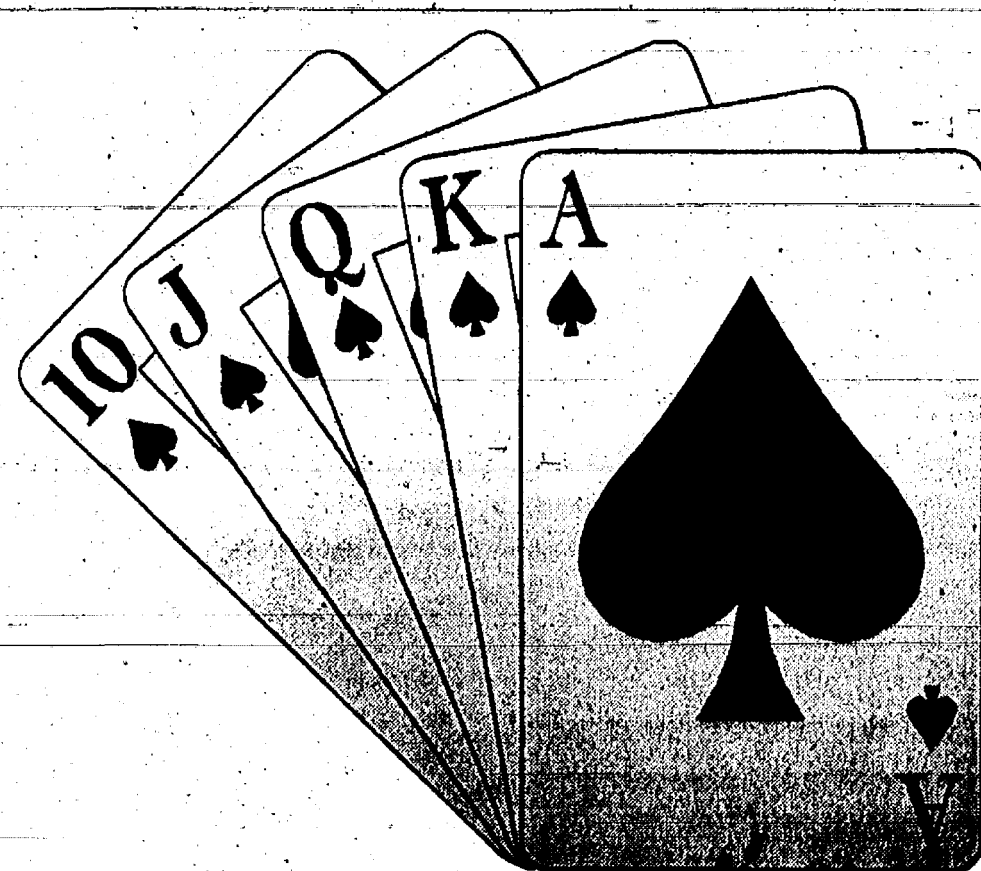
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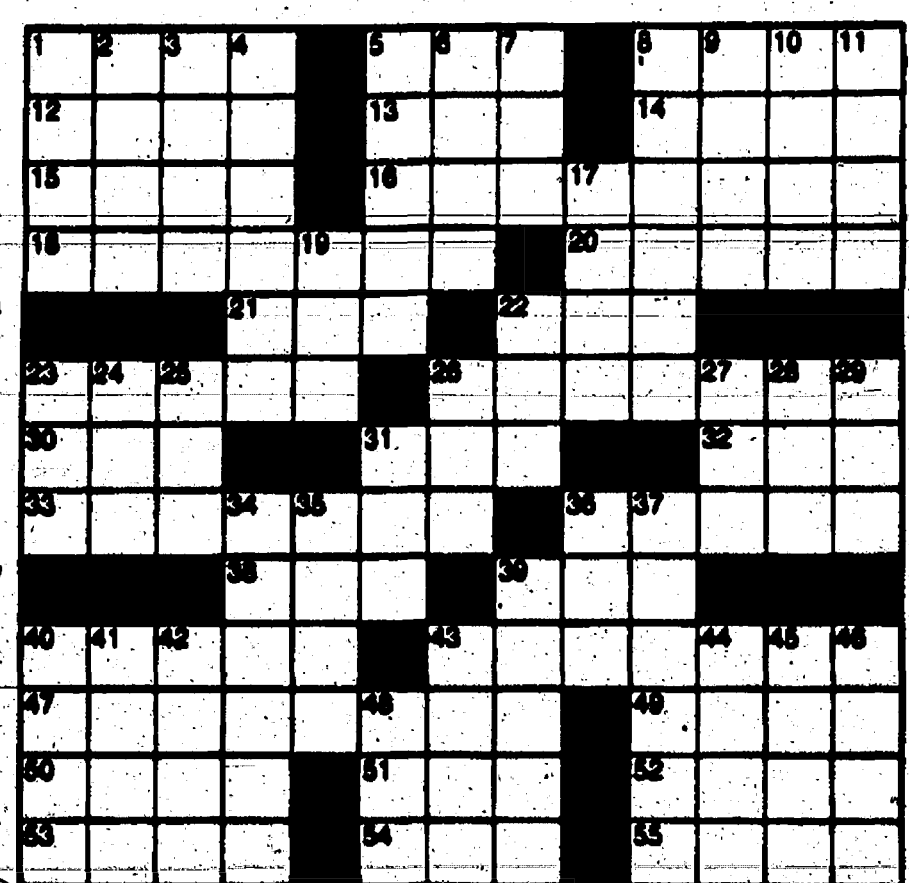
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Exposure to Protestant ethic can depress overweight women

The American emphasis on hard work and self-reliance may have made this country what it is today. But according to University of Michigan researchers, the Protestant ethic also makes overweight women feel bad about themselves.

The research, to be published in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, provides experimental evidence that overweight women who endorse the values of hard work, self-discipline and personal responsibility are more anxious and depressed than overweight women who don't. They also have lower self-esteem.

Belief in the Protestant ethic had no effect on women who did not consider themselves overweight, the researchers found in one study of 257 female college students.

In a related study of 122 women, psychologists Diane M. Quinn and Jennifer Crocker also found that just being exposed to debates or speeches about welfare vs. workfare, or similar themes, has the power to make overweight women feel bad about themselves.

"We found that having a conservative ideology, or just being exposed to that viewpoint, has a negative effect on the self-esteem and mood of women who believe they're overweight," said Quinn, a doctoral candidate. "We don't know how long-lasting those effects are. They could be momentary, they could last all day, or they could be cumulative."

According to Quinn and Crocker, professor of psychology and faculty associate at the U-M Institute for Social Research, the study findings suggest that women should evaluate their own beliefs about how much being overweight is their own fault. "Women need to become more aware of the biological and psychological processes that influence weight, and of how little weight has to do with moral character."

Quinn and Crocker also suggest that women who are concerned about their weight might want to avoid exposure to messages supporting a conservative ideology, to protect against a drop in mood and

self-esteem.

Earlier studies have shown that people who believe in the Protestant ethic tend to judge others more harshly — whether the others are welfare recipients, African Americans, or overweight people. The new

U-M study is among the first to investigate the effect the Protestant ethic has on the self.

That effect might be stronger on the overweight than on other stigmatized groups, according to Quinn. "The overweight tend to lack

cohesion, and a sense of group pride. Unlike the members of most other stigmatized groups, they believe that they have the power to opt out of membership. But a growing amount of evidence suggests that isn't true."

Quinn emphasizes that her study and many others find that perceived overweight, more than actual overweight, is what's linked with lower self-esteem and higher levels of anxiety and depression on certain situations.

Local CROP Walk raises money for hunger

Over 160 Chelsea CROP Walk participants received T-shirts (donated by Gina's Cafe) for their efforts last October and raised over \$9,400 for CROP's work around the world and in this country.

The CROP Walk distribution of funds always includes a 25 percent contribution to an organization that works with those in need.

In Chelsea the contribution is made to Faith In Action, Inc. for its work in the Chelsea area. This amounted to \$2,350.17.

In what has become a "tradition" for the residents of the Chelsea Retirement Community, Florence Barber led 26 walkers ranging in age from 75 to 95 and the group again received the Golden Sneaker Award.

Church World Service/CROP (CWS) responded to Hurricane Mitch by providing healing and hope for the people of Honduras and Nicaragua.

Within two weeks of the destruction, charter flights from Miami were delivering rice,

beans, milk powder, health kits, blankets and tents to CWS partner agency, the Christian Commission for Development (CCD) in Honduras.

In 1998 Church World Service/CROP in Michigan had a record total income of \$2,409,972, leading the country in CROP Walk income for CWS regions for the 13th consecutive year. The total included local community hunger WALKS raising \$1,924,008, with 27,803 volunteer participants.

Volunteer donations in

Michigan reached a new milestone in December, when total resources donated through CROP 51 years reached \$32 million.

More than \$435,000 was returned to 306 hunger agencies in Michigan from the CROP Walks in 1998.

The 28th year of CROP walking in Michigan involved 145 communities and sponsors. During those 28 years, volunteer walkers and sponsors have collected more than \$23 million.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP TAX COLLECTION HOURS

Friday, Feb. 26 — 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27 — 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Monday, March 1 — 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

VILLAGE OF DEXTER NOTICE OF ELECTION

To the qualified electors of the Village of Dexter:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Annual Village Election will be held in the Village of Dexter, State of Michigan
Dexter Community Pool Lobby,
Wylie Middle School, Kensington Street,
Monday, March 8, 1999.

For the purpose of electing the following officers, Viz Candidates for the following offices:

Three (3) Village Trustees Two (2) year Term

Notice Relative to Opening and Closing of the Polls
Election Law Act 116, P.A. 1954

SECTION 720 on the day of any election the polls shall be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon and shall be continuously open until 8 o'clock in the afternoon and no longer. Every qualified elector present and in line at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote.

THE POLLS of said election shall be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.
Donna L. Fisher, Village Clerk

DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the Township of Dexter that the Assessment Roll of said Township as prepared by Larry Merte, Township Assessor, will be reviewed by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 2, 1999, at 5:00 p.m. at

DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD.
DEXTER, MI. 48130

Appeals and conferences with taxpayers will be heard on:

Monday, March 8, 1999 - from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 11, 1999 - from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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The Dexter Township Board of Review will hear appeals by appointment. Taxpayers or their agents may set the appointment by calling the Township Hall at (734) 426-3767, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please call prior to March 8, 1999. DO NOT leave appointment request on the answering machine at the Township Hall.

Robert L. Telens
Dexter Township Supervisor

LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEALS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON

Thursday, March 4, 1999 at 7:00 p.m.

Lyndon Township Hall - 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea

AGENDA:

1. To review the application of Zane P. Niesen, 18451 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118 for a variance from Lyndon Township Zoning Ordinance

2. Board of Appeals may consider other matters as deemed necessary. Written comments may be sent to Lyndon Township Clerk, Janis Knieper, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.

The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids or services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Lyndon Township Board by writing or calling: Janis Knieper, Clerk, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118 or phone 734-475-2401.

A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the clerk.

LYNDON TOWNSHIP
Janis Knieper, Lyndon Township Clerk

LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the TOWNSHIP OF LYNDON

County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan

That the Assessment Roll of said Township will be reviewed by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 2, 1999 at 7:00 P.M.

LYNDON TOWNSHIP HALL
17751 N. Territorial Road

Appeals and conferences with taxpayers will be heard

BY APPOINTMENT

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999

9 A.M. - Noon and 1 P.M. - 4 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1999

1 P.M. - 5 P.M. and 6 P.M. - 8 P.M.

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The Lyndon Township Board of review will hear appeals BY APPOINTMENT. Taxpayers or their agents may set the appointment by calling the Township Hall at (734) 475-2401 on Monday through Friday, March 1 thru March 5 between 1 P.M. and 4 P.M. Please call by March 5, 1999 for an appointment. DO NOT leave appointment requests on the answering machine at the Township Hall.

Such Assessment Roll as reviewed and approved by said Board of Review will be the Assessment Roll of Lyndon Township for the year 1999.

MARY ANN NOAH
Lyndon Township Supervisor

DEXTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE PLANNING COMMISSION

Will Meet Tuesday, March 2, 1999, 7:30 P.M. at
Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, Mi.

AGENDA:

1) Budget and fee schedule

2) Future agendas

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

William Milam, Chairman

The Multi Lake Sewer Authority Board

will hold their monthly meeting on
Thursday, March 4, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at

12088 North Territorial Road,
Dexter, Michigan 48130.

Annual Meeting of The Village of Dexter L.D.F.A.

March 3rd, 1999

7:00 p.m.

National City Bank Building
8123 Main Street • Dexter, MI

Paul Bishop, Secretary

LIMA TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLANNING COMMISSION WILL MEET
TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 1999, 8:00 P.M.
LIMA TOWNSHIP HALL, 11452 JACKSON ROAD, CHELSEA

A public hearing will be held to consider an amendment to the Lima Township Zoning Ordinance. Application #99-001.

The petition of Jane B. Wolf to rezone approximately one (1) acre from A1 (10 acres per residence) to RS (1 acre per residence). The property is located on Cambridge Court Rd., Chelsea, MI, and is part of the NE 1/4 Section 18, Lima Township. Parcel #G 07-18-100-028.

Application filed by:
Jon Wolf
7228 Werkner Rd.
Chelsea, MI 48118

A complete copy of this proposal is on file in the office of the clerk and the Lima Township Hall office.

Written comments may be sent to:
Gregory McKenzie, Chairman
Lima Township Planning Commission
P.O. Box 59
Chelsea, Michigan 48118

VILLAGE OF DEXTER

TO: VILLAGE OF DEXTER WATER SUPPLY CUSTOMERS
FEBRUARY 19, 1999

THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER VIOLATES MONITORING REQUIREMENT FOR FAILING TO COLLECT SAMPLES FOR VOLATILE ORGANIC CHEMICALS

The Village of Dexter has been notified by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality that it has violated state regulations for monitoring its drinking water for volatile organic chemical contaminants.

The violation does not pose a threat to the quality of the water. Customers do not need to seek alternative water supplies.

The Village of Dexter is required to collect three water samples each quarter and have them analyzed for volatile organic chemicals to determine compliance with the state drinking water standard. No samples were collected in the fourth quarter of 1998.

Samples have been collected for compliance monitoring in the first quarter of 1999, and steps are being taken to assure monitoring will be provided as required in the future.

Residents with questions or concerns about the violation should contact:

Village of Dexter Ph. 426-4572
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Ph. (517) 780-7875

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF VILLAGE ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an Annual Village Election will be held in the

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA

State of Michigan

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL

112 W. MIDDLE STREET

within said Village on

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999

For the purpose of voting for the election of the following officers, Viz

Candidates for the following offices:

One (1) Village Clerk Two (2) Year Term

Three (3) Village Trustees Two (2) Year Term

One (1) Village Assessor One (1) Year Term

One (1) Village Assessor Two (2) Year Term

Notice Relative to Opening and Closing of the Polls
Election Law Act 116, P.A. 1954

SECTION 720 on the day of any election the polls shall be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon and shall be continuously open until 8 o'clock in the afternoon and no longer. Every qualified elector present and in line at the polls at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote.

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

SUZANNE C. MORRISON

Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA FILING OF DECLARATION OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given, that a write-in candidate seeking a village office is required to file a "declaration of intent" form with the Village Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Friday before the Village Election. Write-in votes cast for an individual who has not filed a declaration of intent as required do not count.

Notice is hereby given that an Annual Village Election will be held in the Village of Chelsea, State of Michigan at the Sylvan Township Hall, 112 W. Middle Street within said Village on Monday, March 8, 1999

Suzanne C. Morrison, Village Clerk
Village of Chelsea

LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the Township of Lima that the Assessment Roll of said Township as prepared by Marci Betts, Township Assessor, will be reviewed by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 2, 1999, at 6:00 P.M. at the

LIMA TOWNSHIP HALL
11452 JACKSON ROAD
CHELSEA, MI 48118

Appeals and conference with taxpayers will be heard on:

Monday, March 8, 1999 from 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Monday, March 8, 1999 from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Tuesday, March 9, 1999 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Thursday, March 11, 1999 from 6:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

A resident taxpayer may file his or her protest with the Board of Review by letter without an appearance by the taxpayer or his or her agent. A letter must be received by the first day of the Board of Review (Monday, March 08, 1999)

The Lima Township Board of Review will hear appeals by appointment. Taxpayers or their agents may set the appointment by calling the Township Hall at (734) 475-2246, Monday, 9 A.M. to 12 noon, or Wednesday and Thursday, 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon. Please call prior to March 08, 1999. DO NOT leave appointment request on the answering machine at the Township Hall.

Gary Adams
Lima Township Supervisor

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the TOWNSHIP OF SYLVAN County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan That the Assessment Roll of said Township will be reviewed by the Board of Review on March 2, 1999 at 9:00 a.m.

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP HALL

112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan

Appeals and conferences with taxpayers will be heard on:

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999

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TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1999

2-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1999

from 2-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

The Board of Review will be in session. Upon request of any person who is assessed on said tax roll or of his or her agent and upon sufficient cause being shown, said Board of Review will correct the assessment as to such property in such manner as will in their judgment make the valuation relatively just and equal. Such assessment roll as reviewed and approved by said Board of Review will be the assessment roll of said Township of Sylvan for the year 1999.

TENTATIVE STARTING RATIOS FOR 1999 ARE:

Agriculture,	42.28	1.1826
Commercial,	48.79	1.0248
Industrial,	49.26	1.0150
Residential,	47.78	1.0465
Developmental,	47.83	1.0454

The Sylvan Township Board of Review will hear appeals by appointment. Appointments may be made by calling 475-8890 between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Monday, March 1, 1999 thru Friday, March 5, 1999. The Assessor will be available at these times for questions and concerns.

GERALD H. DRESSHOUSE, SUPERVISOR

Dated: February 18, 25, 1998 and March 4, 1999

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

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112 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, Michigan

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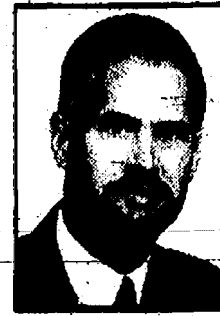
HOUSES OF WORSHIP

CHELSEA Assembly of God First Assembly of God 14900 Old US-12, Chelsea (734) 475-2615 Rev. James Massey, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday: Noon fellowship dinner, followed by prayer & bible study.	Tuesday: Bible Study, 7:15 p.m.; Choir, 8 p.m. *** Salem Grove United Methodist 3320 Notten Rd., Grass Lake (734) 475-2370 Rev. Carolyn & Rev. Daniel Harris Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.	Sunday: Worship, 11 a.m. *** St. Vladimir Orthodox 9900 Jackson Road (734) 761-7311 Rev. Father Paul Kares Sunday and Holy Days: Divine liturgy, English and Slavonic, 10 a.m.
Chelsea Christian Fellowship 337 Wilkinson St. (734) 475-8305 John Dambacher, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.	Sharon United Methodist Corner M-52 and Pleasant Lake Rd. (734) 428-8430 Rev. Carter Garrington-Cartelyou Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. (July and August only)	Presbyterian Unadilla Presbyterian 20175 Williamsville Rd., Unadilla Joh Qiu, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
Baptist Faith Baptist Faith-In-Action Bldg. Main St., Chelsea (734) 475-7841 Jack Story, Pastor Sunday: Worship, 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.	Waterloo Village United Methodist Church Washington St., Waterloo Kathy Kursch, Minister Sunday: Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. Country Breakfast second Sunday each month. All you can eat. Free-will donation to Building Fund.	First Presbyterian Church On the Square in Stockbridge M-52 and M-108 1-888-784-8128 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. Communion and pot-luck first Sunday of the month. Wednesday: Worship, 6:45 p.m.
New Life Baptist Meeting in Pierce Lake Elementary School (734) 844-8017 David W. Pearson, Pastor Sunday: Worship, 10:15 a.m.	Chelsea Retirement Chapel 805 W. Middle St., Chelsea (734) 475-8833 Rev. J. Gordon Schleicher Sunday: Worship service, 9:30 a.m.	Quaker Michigan Friends Center 7748 Clark Lake Road, Chelsea Isabel Bliss (734) 475-9978 Sunday: Unprogrammed meeting at 10 a.m., first Sunday of each month; all other Sundays, 5:00 p.m.
North Sharon Baptist Church 17999 Washburne Rd., Grass Lake (734) 428-7222 Bobby D. Toler, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Study, 7 p.m.	Mormon Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Gary Spooner, President 1330 Freer Rd., Chelsea (734) 475-1778 Sunday: Sacrament, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 10:50 a.m.; Priesthood and Relief Society, 11:45 a.m.	United Church of Christ Bethel Evangelical 10425 Bethel Church Rd. (734) 428-8000 The Rev. Richard Hardy
Catholic St. Mary Catholic Church 14200 Old US-12, Chelsea (734) 475-7561 Rev. Dr. William J. Turner, Pastor Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, 8 and 10 a.m. Weekday Mass: 9 a.m. Confessions: Saturday, 12-1 p.m.	Non-Denominational Baha'i Faith 705 S. Main St., Chelsea (734) 475-2718 Monday: Devotional meeting, 7 p.m.	First Congregational-Chelsea 121 E. Middle St. (734) 475-1844 Rev. David Cleaver-Bartholomew Sunday: Informal worship, 8 a.m.; Church school, 9 a.m.; Traditional worship, 10 a.m.
Church of Christ Church of Christ 13661 E. Old US 12, Chelsea (734) 475-8458 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m.	Chelsea Hospital Ministry 775 S. Main St., Chelsea (734) 475-1311 Covenant Anthony Dickerson, Pastor 50 N. Freer Rd. (734) 475-2508 Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Communion first Sunday of every month.	St. John's (Roger's Corners) 12376 Waters Rd., Chelsea (517) 456-7661 Rev. Nancy M. Doty, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School and Worship, 9:30 a.m.
Church of the Nazarene Church of the Nazarene 805 W. Middle St., Chelsea (734) 475-2528 Jeff Crowder, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday: Small groups, 7 p.m. in homes.	Immanuel Bible 145 E. Summit St., Chelsea (734) 475-8936 Ronald W. Clark, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45; Evening small groups, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer Service, 7 p.m.	St. Paul 14600 Old US-12 (734) 475-2545 Rev. Dr. Lynn Spitz-Nagel, Pastor Sunday: Church school, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Communion Service, every second Sunday, 8:15 a.m. Wednesday: Choir Rehearsals, 8:00 p.m.
Episcopal St. Barnabas 20500 Old US-12, Chelsea (734) 475-8818 Rev. Dr. Jerrold Beaumont Sunday: Christian Education, 10 a.m.; Services, 10 a.m. Wednesday: Services, 7:30 p.m.	Episcopal St. James 3279 Broad Street, Dexter (734) 426-8247 Rev. David J. Horning Sunday: Holy Eucharist, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Nursery and Sunday School, 10 a.m.	DEXTER Catholic St. Joseph Catholic Fourth and Dover Streets, Dexter (734) 426-8483 Rev. Brendan Walsh, Pastor Saturday: Weekend Liturgy, 5 p.m. Sunday: Liturgy, 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12 noon. Nursery open 10 a.m.-noon.
Free Methodist Chelsea Free Methodist 7665 Werker Rd. (734) 475-1391 Merl Bradley, Senior Pastor Larry Lyons, Associate Pastor Mikel Henderson, Pastor of Youth Ministries Sunday: Traditional worship, 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Contemporary worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Services, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Mid-week services.	Free Methodist New Life Christian Center Call for Location (734) 475-1147 Erik Hansen, Pastor	St. Andrew's 7610 Ann Arbor St., Dexter (734) 426-8810 Rev. Gary J. Kwiatek Sunday: Worship, 8:15 a.m.; Coffee time, 9:30 a.m.; Worship and Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Lutheran Faith Evangelical (WELS) 9575 North Territorial, Dexter (734) 426-4302 or 426-8442 Rev. Mark Porinsky, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.	Lutheran Faith Lutheran (WELS) 9575 N. Territorial Rd. (734) 426-4302 Mark Porinsky, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship 10 a.m.	Dexter Gospel 2253 Baker Rd., Dexter (734) 426-4915 John O'Dell, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.
Our Savior Lutheran 1515 S. Main St., Chelsea (734) 475-1404 Rev. Dale Grimm, Pastor Sunday: Heritage Service, 8:15 a.m.; Education Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Celebration/Communion Service, 10:30 a.m.; Junior Confirmation, 9:30 p.m.	Peace Lutheran 6105 Jackson Rd., Birchwood Plaza 313-930-2324 Rev. Larry Courson Sunday: Worship 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:30 a.m.; Praise Service, 11 a.m.	United Church of Christ St. Andrew's 7610 Ann Arbor St., Dexter (734) 426-8810 Rev. Gary J. Kwiatek Sunday: Worship, 8:15 a.m.; Coffee time, 9:30 a.m.; Worship and Sunday School, 10 a.m.
St. Jacob Evangelical 12501 Riethmiller, Grass Lake 517-522-4187 Rev. Paul Huebner, Pastor Sunday: Sunday School and Bible Class, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10:15 a.m.	Methodist Dexter United Methodist 7645 Huron River, Dexter (734) 426-8480 William Donahue, Pastor Sunday: Worship, 8:30 and 11 a.m.; Church School, 9:45 a.m.	The Webster Church 5464 Webster Church Rd., Dexter (734) 426-5115 Rev. Kenyon Edwards Sunday: Holy Communion, 8:30 a.m.; Church School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

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Auto accident affirms power of prayer



TERRY HART
AMY FOUNDATION

CROSSROADS

My belief in the power of prayer was affirmed the other day when the car my wife and kids were riding in hit another car virtually head-on at about 45-miles per hour. They were on the way to school, and as my son drove, my wife had her head bowed in prayer.

Most days she prays for them at home, but on the day she works she rides in with them and prays as they get close to the school.

Miraculously, though both vehicles were demolished, no one in either car was injured, except for a few scratches and burn marks from the airbags. I can't help but attribute this to answered prayer.

While most Americans pray, few understand the purpose of prayer and fewer still expect an answer.

So why do we pray? Polls by Gallup and Barna have for years shown that the vast majority of Americans believe in God. Inherent in this belief is the idea that this God is in some way personal and listens to us when we talk to him.

That's exactly what prayer is all about: talking to God.

Yet, too often people pray only in times of trouble or crisis, or when facing some sort of catastrophe. This is good, because difficult times force us to recognize the limits of our ability to cope with life and look for help outside ourselves. We realize our dependency on the only one who can save us from impossible circumstances.

Most prayer takes the form of asking for things we want or need, and that's OK; too. God knows our needs before we

ask him, yet he still wants us to ask. Appealing to God for that new house or car or for assistance on a final exam is all right; we need God to provide these things if we're to have them.

Yet prayer should go beyond all this. There is another dimension to prayer that few people experience, and that is where prayer becomes the basis for a relationship with God. Relating to God is more than obtaining things or making it through difficulty.

Sadly, once our needs are met or we're out of trouble, many tend to pray less or not at all. But in a relationship with God, prayer becomes more conversational, interactive, more focused on a developing a friendship with God.

This kind of prayer is a pleasure, actually enjoyable, because God is always available, always listens, and always responds. No busy signals. No cold shoulders. No preoccupations. How many have friends like this?

The wonderful thing about God is that he actually answers prayer. No sincere prayer, offered in faith, goes without a reply. It may not always be the answer we want—God knows what is best for us,

but he always responds, even if it is with a "no."

Why does God answer prayer? Because he delights in the prayers of his children. He is motivated by the fact that when we pray, we are acknowledging that he exists, and that he is good enough to give us what we request of him.

Jesus was so convinced of the efficacy of prayer that he taught, "whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." (Mk. 11:24)

There's still another aspect of prayer that often goes unnoticed, and that is the power that comes into our lives as a result. When we pray, we come into contact with the person who created the universe with incredible power. He spoke, and the heavens and earth came into being. This selfsame power begins to manifest itself in our lives when we pray. Not that we'll be speaking worlds into existence, but we'll be energized to do things we never thought or dreamed possible.

Prayer is practical. You don't need to be familiar with King James English to speak to God. You simply talk the way you would to anyone else, though with more reverence. That's how my wife was praying when BANG—the airbags discharged, glass went flying, the car spun around and halted, and my family walked away unharmed.

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DEATHS



ERMA M. STOLL

Erma M. Stoll, 88, died Friday, Feb. 19, 1999, at Chelsea Community Hospital after a short illness. She was born on Nov. 14, 1910, in Dexter, the daughter of Jacob and Helena (Sutter) Haarer. Mrs. Stoll lived in the Dexter area all of her life. She loved gardening, her farm animals, and nature.

She married Arthur D. Stoll in Ann Arbor in 1929, and he preceded her in death on Aug. 31, 1989. Survivors include three sons, Arthur N. (Patricia) Stoll of Chelsea, Donald R. Stoll of Dexter, and Norman L. (Deborah) Stoll of Ann Arbor; one sister, Helen Rubin of Cross Village; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one sister, Rosina; three brothers, Jacob, Phillip and Oscar; her daughter-in-law, Barbara, on Jan. 12, 1988; and her grandson, Jeff, on Jan. 8, 1999.

Funeral service was held Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 11 a.m. at St. Andrews United Church of Christ in Dexter, with the Rev. Gary Kwianek officiating. Burial will follow at St. Andrews Cemetery, Dexter. The family received friends at the Chelsea Funeral Chapel, Chelsea, Monday, 2 p.m.-4 p.m. and 7 p.m.-9 p.m. and the church Tuesday 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Andrews UCC.

BRETT JOHN POUPARD

Brett John Poupard, 17, died suddenly Feb. 19, 1999, of an automobile accident. He was born Dec. 5, 1981, in Ann Arbor. Brett attended Wines Elementary and Forest Hill Junior High in Ann Arbor and was currently a junior at Detroit Catholic Central High School. He was last year's MVP for Chelsea High school hockey club and a former Ann Arbor city wrestling champion. Brett was active in many sports in Ann Arbor throughout his life. He loved to snow ski and water ski. He was a huge U. of M. hockey and football fan and attended games since before he could barely walk with his loving

great grandfather. He was a member of St. Colette in Livonia and was confirmed in 1998. Brett was an avid European historian. He loved to travel and he traveled extensively throughout the world and studied in Paris in 1993. Because of Brett's intentions, someone else will be given the gift of sight as his eyes were donated to the eye bank.

He is survived by his mother, Debra Kay (Gruschow), and her husband, Douglas Scroggins in Gregory; his father, Lawrence and his wife Elizabeth Poupard of Northville; his 15-year-old brother, David Poupard; his 15-month-old sister, Lauren, who shared the same birthday with Brett; maternal grandparents, John and Karen Gruschow of Englewood, Fla., (formerly of Ann Arbor); paternal grandparents, Maurice and Nora Poupard of Monroe; maternal great-grandparents, Edward "Pops" and Marilyn Selent of Ann Arbor; paternal great-grandmother, Ruth Poupard of Monroe; and a whole host of loving godparents, aunts, uncles and classmates.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1999, at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Ann Arbor. Interment was in Beulah Cemetery. The family received friends at the Muehlhig Funeral Chapel in Ann Arbor on Sunday, with a rosary Monday evening at 8 p.m. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to a scholarship fund in Brett's name at Detroit Catholic Central.

VIVIAN McSHANE

Vivian McShane, 87, died Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999, at her home. She was born March 18, 1911, in Branch County, Mich., the daughter of Elmer and Bessie (Clickner) Van Hoeser. She was united in marriage to James McShane and he preceded her in death. Vivian was a long-standing member of St. Andrew's United Church of Christ in Dexter.

She is survived by her two sons, Neil (Terry) McShane and Bruce McShane, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and a brother, Arthur Van Hoeser. She was preceded in death by her husband and a son, Richard McShane. Due to her wishes cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date at St. Andrew's United Church of Christ in Dexter.

Those wishing may make memorial contributions to St. Jude's Children Hospital, Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel in charge of arrangements.

FELIX H. WEBER

Felix H. Weber, 91, died Saturday afternoon, Feb. 20, 1999, at Heartland Health Care Center. He was born Jan. 1, 1908, in Bremen, Germany, the only son of Felix W. and Christine Weber. Mr. Weber came to Chelsea in December of 1998. He retired from Calot Inc. of Bakersfield and was a member of Stockdale Country Club, and St. Philip Catholic Church of Bakersfield. Mr. Weber served in the Texas National Guard.

He was married to Silvia Marie Billo in India on June 14, 1939, and she preceded him in death on September 1988.

Surviving are his son, Felix T. "Biff" Weber, and his wife, Suzie Palmer-Weber of Chelsea; four grandchildren, Shaun Stiles of Los Angeles, Trisha Stiles of New York City, John Weber and Matt Weber, both of Chelsea.

Private family graveside service was held Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 1 p.m. at Greenlawn Cemetery, Bakersfield. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Jimmy V. Foundation. Arrangements were by the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea.

HARRIETTE EDDY

Harriette Eddy, 84, died Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999, at her home. She was born July 27, 1914, in Adrian, the daughter of Fred Arnold and Edna May (Evans) Fox. Harriette was united in marriage to Delvord Manning Eddy in Jackson, on June 1, 1947, and he preceded her in death in 1983. She was a longtime member of the Dexter United Methodist Church and was an avid gardener and homemaker.

She is survived by her two daughters, Mary Eddy of Vancouver, British Columbia, and Deborah Eddy of Ann Arbor, three grandchildren, Linda, Robert, and Veronica Eddy; one great-grandson, Joshua Eddy; and one brother, James Fox of Florida. She was preceded in death by her husband, son John David, and sister Winifred Wheaton.

Funeral service was held Friday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. at Dexter United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Fred Finzer officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery. The family received friends at the Hosmer-Muehlhig Funeral Chapel, Dexter, on Thursday from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. and the church on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to Dexter United Methodist Church or Hospice of Washtenaw.

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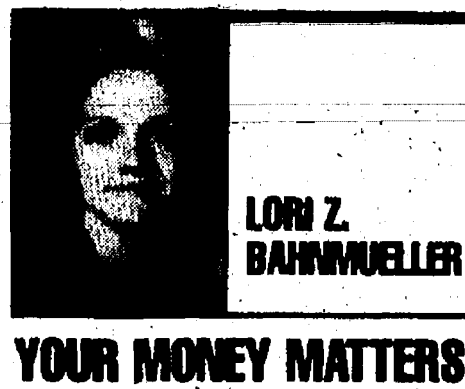


Donations To Help Effort

The local Christmas in April campaign got a financial boost last week when Dexter Lions Club and Webster United Church of Christ donated to the effort. Christmas in April is a community-wide effort where volunteers in the community raise money, collect donated materials and then come together on the last Saturday in April to repair the homes of the needy, elderly and disabled.

Homeowners who want to apply for help may contact organizer John Hruska at 475-3502. Pictured with Jim Witherspoon of Dexter Lions and Dan Chapman of Webster church are Christmas in April volunteers Russ Mynning, Jim Driver, Orrine Driver, Sally Ann Carpinella, Fran York, Mary Rush, Annette Anderson, Rich Ulrich, Paul Plumbley, Ron Jurawicz, Bev Hill and Hruska.

Tips offered for renting vehicle



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YOUR MONEY MATTERS

Renting a car is something that many of us will do at one time or another. It may be for business, pleasure or while your own is in for repairs. Whatever the reason, to be certain that you're getting the best deal, there are a few things you need to know before you drive away.

Before you even begin calling to reserve a car, decide what size vehicle you'll need and how much you can spend. Size descriptions will vary and the terms compact, mid-size and luxury sometimes differ from company to company.

I recommend you call several rental companies for estimates. Your travel agent and the travel section of your local newspaper may also be helpful in finding discounted rates.

If the rental is replacing your car while it's in the shop, check and see if your auto insurance policy will cover any of the costs. Ask the rental company about discounts for extended use, as with car repair substitutions.

If you plan to rent while on vacation, keep your plans flexible. You'll be more likely to receive price breaks if you rent at off-peak times. Be cautious, however, and ask about any restrictions offered on special rates.

Are you affiliated with any motor clubs or organizations, such as AAA of Michigan? If so, you may be eligible for additional discounts. The same goes for credit card companies. Many offer discounts with specific rental agencies, if you pay for the rental with their card.

If you have any tickets or accidents on your driving record, you may not be eligible to rent with some companies. If this is a concern, ask the company if they check driving records when you make your reservation. Don't wait until you pick up the car, as they are not required to honor even confirmed reservations if they disqualify you.

It's important that you understand all of the conditions, terms and charges that are applicable when renting a vehicle before you get to the counter. By asking in advance, you will save time, stress and money when it is time to pay the bill. The last time I used a rental car, the agent didn't mention that the rental was for precisely 24 hours. When I brought the car back 25 hours later, I was charged \$14 for the extra hour on top of the \$45 charge for the first 24 hours. That's a steep extra charge!

Ask if there are any charges that could raise advertised base rates, such items as Collision-Damage-Waiver fees; airport surcharges and drop-off fees; fuel charges; mileage fees; taxes; additional-driver fees; underage-driver fees; out-of-state charges; and equipment-rental fees are all common in car rentals and typically cost extra.

While most of the fees listed above are self-explanatory, others aren't quite so straight-forward. For example, a Collision Damage Waivers, commonly called "collision damage" coverage, is offered in some states — Michigan being one of them — as a source of coverage on the car you are renting.

Technically, it is not collision insurance. More accurately it is a guarantee that the rental company will pay for damages to your rented car and not charge you. It does not cover damage to your personal property and will not pay for any bodily injuries. It's an optional charge that costs

around \$9 - \$13 a day. If you decline the coverage, you will be responsible for any collision damages.

Before you purchase collision damage coverage, check with your auto insurance company. You may already be covered through your existing policy. If you're traveling on business, your employer may have insurance which covers you. Also keep in mind that some credit card companies and motor clubs give members free rental protection when you use their cards to pay for rentals.

Out-of-town travelers will often be charged airport surcharges and drop-off fees. Airport surcharges are imposed by some airports, not the car rental agencies, when you rent from an airport location. They can even be required if the rental company shuttles you to an off-site.

Be sure to ask about mileage fees. While most rentals allow you some free mileage, once you go beyond the allowed limit, charges will begin to accumulate. Your base rental fee will increase considerably if you're not careful. Estimate in advance how far you will travel and select a rental company that offers you the most favorable mileage package based on your itinerary.

Fuel charges and policies vary greatly between companies. Some companies will charge you \$10 - \$15 in advance and provide you with half a tank, allowing you to return the car empty. Others companies start you off with a full tank and charge nothing initially. In such instances, you can fill the tank yourself and return the car and be charged nothing. If you don't return the vehicle with a full tank, they will charge you the rental company's prices for refueling. Typically those prices will be higher than a local gas

station. The list of potential fees goes on and on. The thing to remember is to ask about each and be certain you clearly understand the conditions and terms of your rental policy. By evaluating your own needs and asking questions up front, you'll drive away with a smile.

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Community band to perform Feb. 28

Dexter Community Band will present its third concert of the season on Sunday, Feb. 28.

The concert will be held in the auditorium of the new Chelsea High School at 4 p.m. The band, under the direction of Bill Gourley, will present a mix of classic band literature.

On Saturday, March 6, the band will participate in the Red Cedar Adult Band Festival held at Okemos High

School. Sponsored by Dexter Community Education, the 50 members of the ensemble include ages from teens to 70s with representatives from all of the surrounding communities.

New members are welcome for the remainder of the season.

Anyone interested should contact Dexter community Education at 426-4008 for more information.

Seaman earns promotion

Navy Seaman Apprentice Aimee N. Ellison, daughter of Michael J. and Polly L. Ellison of Chelsea, was recently promoted to her present rank upon graduation from recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Ellison received the early promotion for outstanding performance during all phases

of the training cycle. Trained subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields.

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Michigan Farm Bureau fun facts

Earthworm tunnels help loosen soil, create fertile soil clods, provide paths for roots, redistribute matter and aerate soil — activities that help improve crop yields, reduce soil erosion and may even keep water free from chemicals. Farmers can help attract a herd of worms by reducing tillage. With this, crop stubble is left on the ground, leaving organic matter (worm food) concentrated near the surface so the worms form a network of tunnels that funnel water vertically. Vertical tunneling gives water a relatively chemical-free route downward. Soil in organic-rich burrows harbors more beneficial microbes to degrade pesticides and fertilizers.

A new mildew-resistant wheat breeding stock has surprised plant pathologists by warding off every strain of powdery mildew in their laboratory gauntlet. Previously, eight strains out of 10 were the best any wheat could do. Bakery-bought cookies and cakes get their delicate texture from flour made with soft, red, winter wheat, which powdery mildew hits the hardest. This fungal disease costs wheat growers between \$2 and \$3 million annually. Scientists have been crossing U.S. varieties with tough, mildew-resistant wild wheat from Eastern Europe and the Middle East to find the winning genetic combination. The idea is to breed a hybrid with just enough of both the wild genes and the U.S. softness and yield traits.

Commercial seed companies can use the breeding lines to build mildew resistance into their farmer-favored, bakery-board soft red wheat varieties.

How do birds learn their songs? They learn their music by ear! Every species of bird has a song that's unique. Most Midwestern songbirds sing to attract a mate. In the bird world, it is the male's job to attract the female, so the male songbird does almost all the singing. By caroling a specific song, the bird can make sure it attracts a female of the same species. Baby songbirds recognize their species' song as soon as they leave the nest — and learn how to sing within the first two to three months of age, mostly by listening to adult birds.

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