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Village edges closer to cityhood

■ Commission approves boundaries; fact-finding meeting set for April 11.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Chelsea Village took another step closer to city status March 28 when the State Boundary Commission approved Chelsea's petition to incorporate as a city. The three-member panel approved a new boundary for Chelsea as agreed to by the village, as well as neighboring Lima and Sylvan townships. Village Manager Jack Myers, trustees Charlie Ritter and Jim Myles, Planning and Zoning Inspector Jim Drolett, as well as

Jack Merkel, Stanley Burke and Bud Hankerd, all members of the Chelsea City Study Committee, attended the hearing.

The road to cityhood, which will make Chelsea the fifth city in Washtenaw County, with Milan, Saline, Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor, is the culmination of a decade of effort.

In 1992, at Myers' urging, the Village Council appointed the Chelsea City Study Committee, headed by Merkel.

"As a village, we're not a primary form of government," Myers said Monday. "I wanted more autonomy for Chelsea."

Petitions for cityhood were filed with the State Boundary

Commission in September 2000.

The village wanted to annex township land, resulting in opposition from the two townships, which brought a lawsuit against the State Boundary Commission for insufficiency of petitions. In October, the townships agreed to allow Chelsea to seek cityhood if it dropped its annexation bid.

Village President Richard Steele said Monday the process tends to set up adversarial relationships with other government units.

"I think that's a shame because cityhood is such a positive step," Steele said. "I wish there was some way to get around that, but apparently

there isn't."

The city's boundary will be almost the same as the village except for a strip of land from the center of Interstate 94, running north, annexed from Sylvan and Lima townships. It will also include a 40-acre parcel annexed from Sylvan Township where the new water treatment plant is located at Werkner and Sibley roads.

There are also township "islands" that were never incorporated into the village but which will be part of the city.

Merkel said Saturday that Chelsea is currently "half village, half township."

"When we incorporate, we will be a solid entity unto our-

selves with greater autonomy," Merkel said.

Merkel, who said he is very pleased with the cooperation of the townships in Chelsea's road to cityhood, said the tax consequences for Chelsea residents should be "neutral to slightly favorable."

"We've been paying a combined total of \$180,000 a year to two townships for which we obtain very little," he said. "If in becoming a city we have our own property tax assessor and conduct national elections, I don't see our taxes rising as a result of that."

Before changing the letter-

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NEWS BRIEFS

Chelsea school board petitions due Monday

Anyone interested in running for a seat on the Chelsea Board of Education has until 4 p.m. Monday to file at the administration offices, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

The school board race is set for June 10.

Only one person attended an orientation meeting offered to potential candidates March 25.

Two, four-year terms are up for grabs. Secretary Dayle Wright will seek reelection, but Vice President Jane Diesing will not.

Bowling fund-raiser declared a big success

More than 450 bowlers, corporate sponsors and donors helped to raise more than \$44,000 for Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Washtenaw County as part of the 10th annual Bowl for Kids' Sake March 23 at Chelsea Lanes.

The event, which surpassed its target of \$40,000, raised one-third of the annual funds needed to recruit, screen, train, monitor and support the Big Brothers-Big Sisters program.

Chelsea's school year will end with half-day

The Chelsea Board of Education voted March 25 to change the ending date of the 2001-2002 school year.

The last day of the school year — which should fall June 7 — will be a half-day, with an end-of-year luncheon for staff scheduled for 1 p.m.

Forensics team enjoys tournament success

The Chelsea High School forensics team, coached by teacher Amie Ohlmann, met with success at a tournament March 23 at Dexter High School.

Lauren Williams placed fourth in oratory, while Sarah Elsenberg and Sarah Misenheimer took sixth place in prose.

Joe Zynda was a semifinalist in poetry and James Groat was a semifinalist in oratory.

Egg Hunt



Natalie Gorton stoops down to collect yet another goodie during Saturday's Easter egg hunt at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Chelsea. Photo by Rita Fischer

Planners OK homes

■ A total of 350 homes planned north of I-94 near Brown Drive.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

The Sylvan Township Planning Commission approved a preliminary site plan with conditions for a proposed 350-unit manufactured housing development, north of Interstate 94 and west of Brown Drive.

The March 28 vote passed 3-0 in the absence of commissioners Tom Bareis and Barbara Satterthwaite.

The conditional approval was not granted readily. The Planning Commission referred to a March 22 assessment by Midwestern Consulting that stated there were 10 items of information required in a preliminary site plan that had not been addressed.

Developers Mark Lewis and

Kurt Beleck of Lewis Companies argued that many of those requirements were drawn into the site plan and that they simply did not accompany the drawing with a written narrative.

The developers also said that many of the required state and county licenses, and approvals that Midwestern Consulting said were needed, had been obtained. They said proof would be made available by the end of the week.

They also said that the March 22 assessment was the first time that many of these requirements had been brought to their attention in all of the months the developers and the consulting firm had been meeting.

Sylvan Township Special Project Coordinator Gerald Dresselhouse said that he had attended all the meetings between the two parties and the 10 issues were also new to him.

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Chelsea loses firefighters to union clause

■ State, international unions beginning enforcing bylaw.

By Sheila Pursglove
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A burning controversy that pits full-time, union firefighters against volunteers has spread to the local area.

The Chelsea Area Fire Department has lost four paid on-call firefighters — Tom Osborne, Steve Taylor, T.J. Begres and Jeff Hughes — because of a union clause forcing them to choose between volun-

teering and remaining as members of the union.

Osborne and Taylor are full-time firefighters with the Ann Arbor City Fire Department. Begres is a firefighter in Dearborn and Farmington Hills, and Hughes is a firefighter in Kentwood.

"It's a policy set forth by their union," Chelsea Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood said Monday. "I'm a staunch union supporter, but I think this is giving the union a black eye. I disagree with it."

Dexter Fire Chief Loren Yates said Monday that in the past few years he has lost six paid on-call volunteers who have taken positions as full-time firefighters in Ann Arbor and Jackson.

The Manchester Fire Department recently received resignations from two part-time, volunteer firefighters who are full-time firefighters in Ypsilanti.

Sylvan Township Fire Chief Carl Ferch has three full-time firefighters and 19 paid on-call. Ferch said Monday that he did not think his team would be impacted by the bylaw.

The union clause is with the International Association of Fire Fighters, an AFL-CIO, CLC-affiliated labor union.

Terrence Chesney, secretary and treasurer of the Michigan Professional Firefighters Union, the state branch of the IAFF, said long-standing union rules

prohibit members, who by nature work as full-time firefighters, from volunteering in other fire departments.

"Those bylaws say that in order to be a member of the International Association of Fire Fighters, you shouldn't be a volunteer," he said. "There is a strong conflict of interest with being a paid firefighter."

Chesney said that career firefighters can be injured on off-duty, volunteer time. This, in turn, can force the full-time employer into paying overtime wages to workers covering the injured firefighter's shifts, driving up that employer's cost.

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Neighbor thinks subdivision soil may be contaminated

■ Committee for Chelsea Park hopes to buy site.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

A resident living near the site of a proposed housing development that a group of residents wants turned into a park cautioned the Village Council March 28 that the soil may be contaminated.

Marvin Carlson, who lives next to the site, located near the corner of Dexter

Chelsea and Freer roads, asked the council to test the soil to ensure it's not contaminated before allowing the development.

Martin Merkel and Phillip Jenkins own the property. Developer Steven Fisher has proposed 350 homes as part of a subdivision called Heritage Point, formerly known as The Vineyards.

Carlson, who owns Sugar Bush Farm, a 10-acre cattle farm on Dexter-Chelsea Road, adjacent to the proposed subdivision, said he believes that the village

used the property in the past to dump sludge.

Carlson said that he took an informal soil sample about six years ago that showed elevated levels of heavy metals. Although it wasn't a professional sampling, he considers it enough to raise questions and to show the need for a comprehensive sampling by an independent professional.

Carlson said that the moving of earth during construction could adversely affect residents as potentially contami-

nated particles are released into the air.

Carlson said he is concerned with residents' safety. He urged the council to have the developer prove that the soil is not contaminated.

Planning Commission Chairman Chris Rode said that Fisher's proposal has been reviewed and Phase 2 environmental studies are under way, although no results have been produced yet.

Rode said that the council does not

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Homeowners to save historic parsonage

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Taylor leads Chelsea girls' track team

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Local women mark Scouting milestone

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Lima board adopts budget

■ Trustees forgo raise this year.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

The Lima Township Board formally adopted its 2002-03 budget Monday by a unanimous vote.

The \$658,473 budget was previewed for public comment March 11.

Clerk Arlene Bareis said insurance costs fluctuated from last year, increasing \$2,000. She said the trend would likely continue. Members of the board denied themselves raises, although this may have been belied on paper due to a restructure of the line items.

In previous budgets, board members were allocated a \$50 premium for every outside meeting they attended. This year, the premiums were incorporated into the base salaries.

For the township's supervisor, clerk and treasurer, salaries

total \$20,400 a year. Trustees will receive a \$2,500 stipend.

The chairman of the planning commission will be paid \$95 per meeting, while commissioners will receive \$65 per meeting.

However, before the fiscal year is over, two more people will be entitled to the \$65 as the board voted to increase the planner's ranks from five to seven commissioners.

Township Supervisor Ken Unterbrink said neighboring Freedom Township works with a seven-member commission. He also said that in the past the township has been hard-pressed to fill vacancies created by absences or resignations. By expanding the commission, he hopes to increase the odds of having commissioners on hand for the long run.

The new commissioners will take their seats 60 days after a public notice is published. Appointments may be made prior to that but cannot become effective until after the 60-day period.

In other matters, the board approved a \$9,295 expenditure to apply brine for dust control on the township's dirt roads. The state will contribute half of the \$18,590 total cost.

The reciprocal fund retains more than \$14,500. Bareis said the board would research how the money could be used for potentially bigger projects.

With winter becoming a memory, the board announced that May 18 would be the date for the township's fifth annual Spring Clean Up.

This will be the fourth time Lima has joined with Sylvan Township for the project. As in the past, it will take place 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Jim Kalmbach's residence at 476 Pierce Road.

Amid all the talk of facts, figures and dates, the board interrupted the meeting to say goodbye and good luck to Zoning Inspector Charles Schauer, who

is resigning after 4½ years.

"I know it's already nine o'clock, but I'm in no hurry," Unterbrink said as he presented Schauer with a clock inlaid in natural wood and thanked him for his service.

Schauer said that it was his privilege and pleasure to have worked with such a good group of people. He reflected on the patience shown to him when he first took the position and had to deluge the board with phone calls day and night for guidance.

Schauer's wife, Charlotte, who was in attendance, was presented with a bouquet of flowers "for all the times we took Chuck away from you."

Refreshments were provided after the meeting in Schauer's honor.

Joseph Wesolowski, who was present at the meeting, will succeed Schauer.

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Talented Trio

Beach Middle School pupils Erika Palmer (left), Margaux Forsch and Max Parkanzky each have artwork on display in the Michigan Art Education Show, which runs through Saturday at the Wharton Center in Lansing. The pencil works by Palmer and Forsch were chosen as two of the best 15 in the state at the middle school level.

CATS bus receives donation

Washtenaw County Commissioner Joseph Yekulis, District 1, announced Monday that the Chelsea Area Transportation System has been awarded a grant from the Area Agency on Aging 1B.

The agency's board of directors approved the funding March 22. CATS will receive

\$13,283.

Yekulis is the county's alternate on the agency's 1-B board, and was present to vote for the funding approval. Local retired physician Fred van Reesema is also a member of the agency's board.

The local affiliate is one of 16 such coordinating agencies in

the state that provides funding for senior services and represents a six-county area made up of Washtenaw, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, Livingston and St. Clair counties.

This is the second grant CATS has received from the agency this year. The board previously awarded \$23,600 in funding to help CATS in developing a cooperative transportation program in western Washtenaw County.

Michaelene Pawlak, executive director of CATS, was happy about the news.

"Although we are still in critical need of additional funding to get us through the end of this fiscal year, this new funding stream will go a long way toward

helping us reach our objectives," she said.

Yekulis was also pleased to see the money awarded to the community he calls home.

"I know the CATS program has been struggling to stay afloat, and if this funding helps to keep transportation viable for our local seniors, I'm pleased that (the agency) was able to assist in those efforts," he said.

Yekulis is president of the Michigan Association of Counties and has made coordination of senior services one of the top priorities for the organization on a statewide level.

The Area Agency on Agency 1-B will be honoring him May 20 with the Public Service Leadership Award.

Hydrant flushing starts Sunday

The Chelsea Water Department will begin water hydrant flushing starting 11 p.m. Sunday.

The flushing, which will take place between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.

to reduce inconvenience to residents, will continue for approximately two to three weeks.

Residents are urged to check the color of the water prior to doing laundry.

STRAIGHT FACTS

A story in last week's edition should have said the Chelsea Village Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the sign ordinance 7:30 p.m. April 16.

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Village fights fuel tax changes

■ Chelsea stands to lose more than \$5,000.

By Sheila Pursglove

Commercial truck routes keep the economy rolling, but the huge vehicles wreak havoc on streets and bridges. States, county road commissions, cities and villages have to come up with money for repairs.

Chelsea Village Council has tried to keep what it considers a fair share of tax revenue from the state diesel fuel tax, which under proposed legislation would increase from 15 cents to 19 cents per gallon.

The bulk of the revenue from the tax increase will go to the Michigan Department of Transportation for the repair and rehabilitation of state roads on

the National Highway system. Under Act 51, a 1951 law establishing a funding formula, Chelsea would stand to receive \$5,884 for repairing roads and bridges.

However, under a proposal from the governor, Chelsea would only get \$456, a share of \$870,000, divided up among other Michigan cities and villages.

Village Manager Jack Myers recently received e-mail from Donald Stypula, manager of environmental affairs for the Michigan Municipal League, alerting him to the changes. Stypula has been in Washington, D.C. lobbying for Congressional restoration of federal road repair money.

Stypula said in his e-mail that there are plenty of co-sponsors and that the U.S. House Appropriations Committee is develop-

ing its own bill to restore up to \$4.4 billion in federal road funds.

Myers presented a resolution to the Village Council that calls on the Michigan Legislature to support the increased diesel fuel tax only if the additional revenue is distributed equitably to MDOT, county road commissions, cities and villages based on the distribution formula in 1951 Public Act 51.

The Village Council sent a copy of the resolution to state Rep. John Hansen, D-52nd District, and state Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-18th District, as well as the State and Federal Affairs Division of the Michigan Municipal League.

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Woman's Club to hold lunch

The Woman's Club of Chelsea held its monthly meeting March 28 at The Pines senior apartment community in Chelsea.

The guest speaker was Maggie Roberts, who gave a presentation about "Chasing the Blues," a program designed to help senior citizens handle depression.

Roberts brought an interesting and informative approach to depression, an ailment she said

is common to people of all walks of life and ages.

A total of 19 members and one guest, Anne Rausch, attended.

Plans were made for the annual luncheon to be held May 14 at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor.

A new slate of officers for the coming year was named. New

officers are Cheryl Schoenberg, president; Marilyn Haug, vice president; Alberta Wade, secretary; Betty Oesterle, treasurer; and Jinny Johnson, parliamentarian.

Hostesses for the meeting were Dorothy Mielke and Mary Schiller.

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HOMES

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Dresselhouse's statement, along with a plea from Lewis, changed the commissioners' tone from one of adamant refusal to one of hesitant agreement as long as conditions were attached.

One of the most important issues the developers were asked to resolve was the completion of an environmental impact study, which would include delineating the location and dimensions of a floodplain, as well as reassessing the means of water detention.

The environmental impact study is deemed important because Mill Creek cuts through the proposed development. An inadequate floodplain design could put unwanted sediment into the waterway and could adversely affect nearby wetlands.

Midwestern Consulting questioned the site detention for being below the level of groundwater. This would force the continuous use of a pump station.

Another issue seen as a priority was sidewalk aesthetics.

The commission was insistent that the sidewalk and the street be separated by a swathe of grass. Lewis argued that this

strip would force pedestrians to have to walk around cars parked in the admittedly short driveways.

Lewis said the Michigan Mobile Home Commission would never permit such a design.

Dresselhouse offered to accompany the developers to Lansing to convince the mobile home commission that the idea was feasible.

Dresselhouse said the strip would prove beneficial to pedestrians after the streets were snowplowed and would also make the development "look more like a subdivision and less like a damned trailer park."

Two issues that are expected to be easily resolved involve the Chelsea Area Fire Authority. One is for the owner/developer to enter into an agreement with the authority that places the responsibility for fire hydrant maintenance on the shoulders of the project owner.

The second is to have the fire chief's assurance that the streets have a wide enough radii to accommodate emergency vehicles.

An easy compromise was settled regarding a perimeter fence. Residents on the south of Chisholm Trail who will abut the development asked for a degree of separation between the two residential communities.

However, because the area in question was deemed a wetland it was feared that constructing a fence in the location, as well as the fence itself, would be detrimental to the existing wildlife. It was decided that a simple wire would be strung between stakes.

Lange said the commission approved the project with conditions because the developers can be trusted.

"They've always been on the up-and-up with us," he said. "They say they have those permits and they've never given us reason not to believe them."

"I was also with Gerry (Dresselhouse) at those meetings and I don't remember many of those issues ever being discussed either."

Lange said that Lewis, Lee Fahrner of Midwestern Consulting and a planning commission representative are scheduled to meet in the near future to tie up any loose ends.

The developers have until April 17 to meet the township's specifications. They expect to break ground on the 100-acre site in June or July. The project's first phase will include 100 residential units.

The first phase will be accessed by a boulevard entranceway connecting to the west end of Brown Drive. Later phases will see a second boulevard built to tie in with the proposed Chelsea bypass.

The second boulevard is expected to de-emphasize the Brown Drive access and become the primary means of entry and exit.

"People will go with the easiest route," Lewis said, "and we'll make sure the secondary route will be the easiest."

There was talk early in the meeting of conducting a traffic impact study, but Lewis said it wasn't necessary.

"What would we be studying?" he asked. "If it's about Brown Drive and M-52, we already know it's a problem."

While the commission agreed with Lewis' assessment, it does not preclude an outside agency from demanding one. In fact, outside forces could have a significant impact on the development, Lange later pointed out.

"When you're dealing with mobile homes, the state has the last word," he said. "Our ordinances concerning mobile homes had to be approved by the Michigan Mobile Home Commission. The commission has more authority in this regard than the township."

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Magic Tree House

Holly Kranz (left) and Nick Dewyer, pupils in teacher Denise Schiller's first-grade class at North Creek Elementary School, enjoy dressing up as their favorite book characters, Madeline and Jack from "The Magic Tree House," in a recent school activity.

SOIL

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have the authority to require the developer to analyze the soil. But Carlson said he thinks that the council has an obligation to ensure safety.

Meanwhile, the Committee for Chelsea Park, represented by Diane Kyte, told the Village Council last week that she is looking for an appraiser in a

move to acquire about 150 acres where the subdivision is planned.

The committee wants to develop the land into a public park as an alternative to it being developed for housing.

The Committee for Chelsea Park has given the Village Council a petition with more than 600 signatures of people in favor of creating a park rather than another subdivision, even if it means increased taxes.

The committee is trying to raise funds from private sources. Kyte said the council adopted a resolution promising that if the committee secures the land it could be turned over to the village and developed as a park.

The Committee for Chelsea Park will meet 7:30 p.m. April 15 at Chelsea Community Hospital, Dining Room A.

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Council OKs condos

■ Phase I will have 30 condominium units.

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Chelsea Village Council gave the thumbs up March 26 to a development agreement between the village and the Fieldstone Village Condominium development.

The developer, Fieldstone Land Development, a subsidiary of Sutton Development in Saline, met with all the conditions required by the Planning Commission for final site plan approval, Planning and Zoning Administrator Jim Drolett said Monday.

The condominium development will be located on 25 acres off Old US-12, west of Meadow Lane, on the west side of the village. The land was used for

farming.

Phase I consists of five six-unit buildings. There are three phases planned, as well as a clubhouse, pool and cabana, Drolett said.

Meadow Lane, a private street running between the development and Wilkinson Street, will be extended and used as an access road when Phase II is built. The developer will reconstruct Meadow Lane and add a sidewalk, and restore the landscaping when the first five buildings in Phase I are completed.

Village Engineer Christine Linfield said Monday that the developer is putting in utilities prior to starting construction of the five buildings in Phase I.

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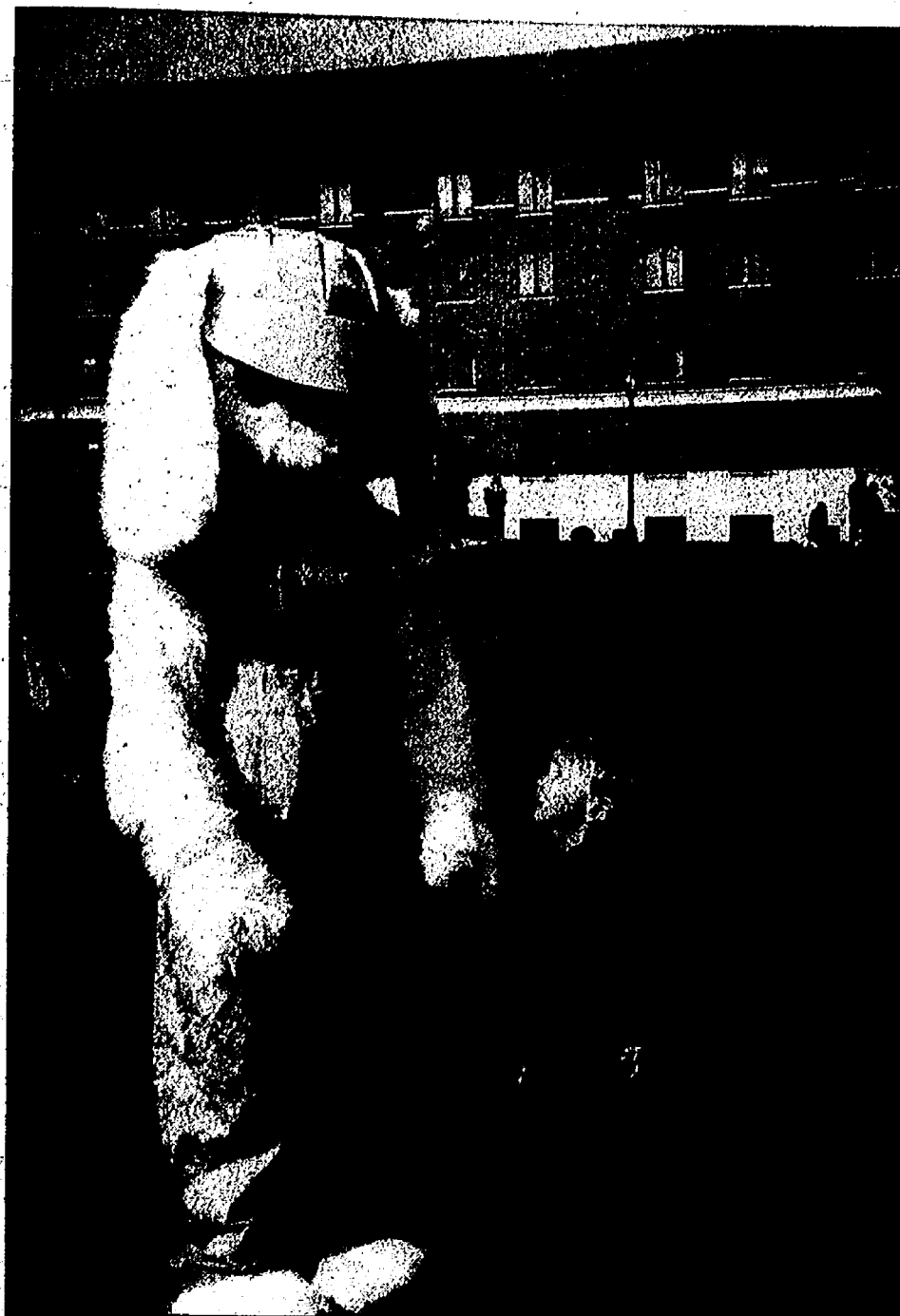
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A Bunny Buddy

Gabriel Raines holds hands with the Easter Bunny during Saturday's egg hunt at the Chelsea Retirement Community. The event was sponsored by the Chelsea Kiwanis Club and Key Club.

Photo by Rita Fischer

UNION

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ing on a volunteer fire department would mean giving up membership in the IAFF. That means not being able to come to union meetings or being able to vote on contract negotiations.

"This isn't about being against volunteers," Chesney said. "There's several ways you can be active in your community without being a volunteer firefighter."

A union official, who asked not to be named, said local unions began strictly enforcing the bylaw only after being pressured by the IAFF and state unions.

Asked if the bylaw was controversial among firefighters, the official replied, "very."

"It has caused a lot of animosity and bad feelings," he said.

Chesney denied that the union bylaw was about increasing membership in the union, as some have suggested.

"It's not about members," he said. "The IAFF has about 250,000 members worldwide."

"All communities should have full-time firefighters ready to respond to emergency situations. The real concern is what's best for the community."

He added that volunteer firemen, who usually depend upon other jobs for their income, may not be eager to join a force if and when it moves to full-time status. In this way, Chesney said volunteers can sometimes "inadvertently hold a community back from progressing to a full-

time fire department."

Based in Washington, D.C., the IAFF is the largest firefighters union representing as many as 270,000 professional firefighters and paramedics in the U.S. and Canada. Started in 1918, it claims to be one of the oldest public employee unions in the country.

The MPFF union is comprised of 120 local units representing about 5,000 Michigan firefighters.

Chesney said he thinks part of the controversy stems from the reluctance of many firefighters to break with the volunteer fire departments where many of them started their careers.

Ellenwood said that he has filled the four spots with people from the reserves but that it will take some time to train them up to the skill level of the men who left.

"I've lost four valuable personnel with good training," he said. "Tom and Steve had been here 10 years, and 10 years experience is a major loss. Apart from all the training we've paid for, for every year someone stays on as a firefighter, it adds to their experience."

"I think they fought the system for some time, but in the end felt they had to go along with the union."

Ellenwood said a major concern is that if he can't provide firefighters with full-time employment, they will leave.

"I invest money and get them trained in fire service, then have to keep starting all over again," he said.

The Chelsea Area Fire De-

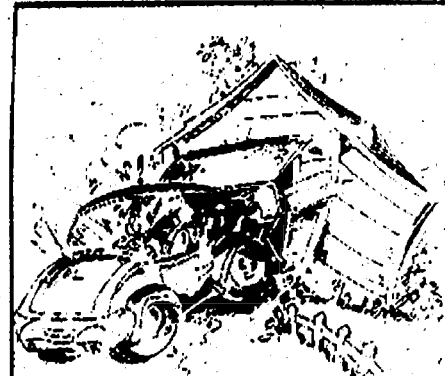
partment currently has two paid part-time staff, Fire Inspector Matt Tuttle and Compliance Coordinator Jim Boritzki, who man the station from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays. The duo work 30 hours a week at \$15.86 per hour, with no insurance or benefits.

Tuttle also works part time for Huron Valley Ambulance, and Boritzki works for Stockbridge Ambulance and Stockbridge Fire Department.

The department has approximately 37 paid on-call firefighters, who respond to calls when needed. They are also paid \$15.86 per hour.

"My fear is that if I can't offer full-time jobs to Matt and Jim, they'll go elsewhere," Ellenwood said. "These are young guys who have to look to their future and their careers."

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CITY

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of Chelsea," an April 11 fact-finding meeting of the boundary commission will be held in Okemos.

Myers said the commission will set a date for the 45-day period during which any resident within the boundaries of the proposed new city may collect signatures from 10 percent of the electorate and file for a referendum on cityhood.

The commission will also set a date for the election of the nine-member charter commission.

"We want concerned residents who'd like to serve on it," Myers said. Anyone interested may call the village clerk at 475-1771.

The Charter Commission will have 90 days to write a city charter to present to voters. If voters approve the new charter, it will then go to Gov. John Engler for approval. A new governing body, as provided by the charter,

would then be elected.

Myers said he didn't anticipate any tax increases or changes in local services.

Currently village residents vote in either Sylvan or Lima township, and pay taxes both to their township and to the village. Village tax assessments are split between Lima and Sylvan townships, Myers said.

"The city will set up voting for national, county and city elections, and hire an assessor — probably part-time — to assess city properties," he said.

Brian Hamilton, executive director of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber is supportive of the move.

"I'm especially pleased that the village and the townships

were able to work together to come up with a boundary agreement that worked for everyone," Hamilton said Monday. "This kind of cooperation only benefits the community at large and it will become increasingly important as they deal with other issues of common interest."

Sylvan Township Supervisor Charles Burgess said Monday that his township would lose some property, population and tax base but he did not know what percentage.

"The townships will have representation at the fact finding meeting and we'll play it by ear as it comes," he said.

Burgess may find himself in an unusual situation. A resident of the village, which is currently part of the township, he would not be able to continue as supervisor if cityhood goes through.

Lima Township Supervisor Ken Unterbrink said yesterday that his township's only concern is that Chelsea does not annex more land.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Lima Township
Assist other Agency
 Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies were called at 11 p.m. March 25 to help Michigan State Police troopers arrest a man. Troopers stopped the suspect at Interstate 94 and Dancer Road. He ran from his vehicle when the troopers approached his car. Police caught the man near Seltz and Lima Center Road. He was arrested and turned over to the Michigan State Police. No further details were available from the state police.

Scio Township
Drunken Driving
 A 22-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested for drunken driving at 3:15 a.m. March 29 at the intersection of Zeeb Road and Huron River Drive.

Deputies stopped after the man crashed into a tree on the side of the road. The man said that a deer ran across the road and he swerved to miss it, but lost control of the car and hit the tree.

The man refused medical treatment. Deputies gave the man a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was .11 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under Michigan law. He was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Medical Assist
 On March 29 deputies helped Huron Valley Ambulance employees open a door at a home in Scio Farms Estates, 6655 Jackson Road.

Emergency medical technicians could not open the front door and the homeowner was injured and could not open it. The dead bolt lock sustained minor damage after deputies had to break the door seal to get into the home.

The homeowner said that she was still able to secure the door by using the regular door lock.

Larceny
 A radar detector was taken from a car March 28. The car was parked at Quality 16 Theater, 3686 Jackson Road, between 7:30 and 10 p.m.

The owner of the car noticed broken glass from the passenger-side window after returning to his car.

The radar detector is valued at \$400 and damage to the car is estimated at \$500.

A driver pumped several gallons of gas into his car March 29 at Pilot Travel Center, 195 Baker Road, and drove away without paying.

The gas station employee said that the driver pumped \$12.67 worth of gas and did not come inside to pay for it. The man left

the gas station and drove north on Baker Road.

Family Trouble
 A 25-year-old Ann Arbor woman called the sheriff's department March 25 after her boyfriend tried to break into her home.

Deputies arrived at the woman's home at 8:30 p.m., but the man had already left. The man tried breaking into the back door after the woman refused to let him in at the front. Damage to the door is estimated at \$400.

Domestic Assault
 A 45-year-old Ann Arbor woman called 911 March 26 after her husband hit her and their 15-year-old son.

A fight started after the woman and son were trying to put the 49-year-old man to bed. The man had apparently passed out at the dinner table from drinking too much alcohol.

While they were carrying him to bed, he woke up and started arguing with them.

The father started yelling and throwing things. The mother told him to stop or she would spray pepper spray in his face.

The woman sprayed her husband. He then started hitting the walls with his hand. Two large holes were left in the wall.

The man was arrested and taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Possession of Marijuana and Drunken Driving
 Deputies stopped a 35-year-old Ann Arbor woman for speeding March 30 near the intersection of Jackson and Zeeb roads.

The woman was driving 64 mph in a posted 35-mph construction zone. When deputies stopped the driver at 3:15 a.m., they could smell alcohol on her breath. She was given a Breathalyzer test. Her blood-alcohol level was .11 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under Michigan law.

Deputies also found two small bags of marijuana in the woman's purse. She was arrested for possession of suspected marijuana and for drunken driving.

Assault and Battery
 Three women are accused of assaulting a 24-year-old Ann Arbor woman March 23 in the parking lot of Bel-Mark Lanes, 3530 Jackson Road.

The victim left the bowling alley at midnight and was walking to her car when the three women approached her. They made a couple of remarks and then hit the woman over the head with a sharp object. The woman was knocked unconscious and later woke up and called 911.

The victim said that she did

not recognize the women and did not see them at the bar earlier in the evening.

Webster Township
Larceny

A power saw valued at \$1,200 was taken March 23 from a construction site near the intersection of Walnut Ridge and Autumn Hill drives.

The owner of the saw said that she went to lunch with her coworkers and left the saw on the scaffolding near the house.

When she returned to the construction area, the saw was missing. No other tools were taken.

Larceny
 A four-wheel all-terrain vehicle was taken from a home in the 3300 block of Jennings Road between March 15 and March 21.

The ATV was stored in a barn and the owner noticed it missing March 21. He said that he is the only one who has a key to it. The four-wheeler is worth \$1,700.

Dexter Township
Warrant Arrest

A 38-year-old Pinckney man was stopped for speeding March 19 near the intersection of Dexter-Pinckney and McGregor roads. The man was driving 67 mph in a 55-mph zone.

When deputies checked the driver's identification with the Law Enforcement Information Network, they noticed he was wanted on a warrant for failing to appear in court.

He was ticketed for speeding and then arrested and taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Property Damage
 A pop machine was recovered from the Huron River March 21.

The machine did not have pop or money in it and belonged to

the owners of Portage Inn on the Lake on McGregor Lane.

The storeowner is currently remodeling the space and last saw the pop machine March 18. He called the sheriff's department when he noticed it in the river. The machine, valued at \$1,000, was damaged from the water.

Dexter Village
Family Trouble

Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a home March 24 after dispatch took a 911 hang-up call.

When deputies arrived, they spoke to a man and woman who had been arguing. The woman admitted to calling 911 and then hanging up.

The man said that he and the woman are separated, but are trying to work things out. The couple said they were arguing about a vacation they were planning.

They were not injured during the argument.

Chelsea Village
Assault and Battery

A 22-year-old Chelsea man assaulted a 20-year-old man March 30 at the Arctic Coliseum, 501 Coliseum Drive.

The two were playing hockey with others when a fight broke out. They continued to fight and argue after being separated.

The victim told police that he is currently recovering from back surgery and he might have been injured during the fight. He went to Chelsea Community Hospital for treatment.

Property Inspection
 Officers were patrolling the downtown area March 28 when they noticed an open door at the

VFW Hall, 105 N. Main St. Officers checked and locked the building after they noticed nothing was wrong.

Two doors going into two separate businesses were found open March 28.

Officers searched the building at 114 S. Main St. Sanctuary Massage and Pioneer Mortgage are in the building.

The business owners were called at 8:30 p.m. to lock the doors.

Attempted Retail Fraud

Three men tried stealing a box of candy March 29 from the Perky Pantry, 501 S. Main St.

One man stood at the front counter talking to a store employee while the other two wandered around the store. A witness saw the two men put a box of candy in their coat pocket.

When the employee asked the two about the candy, the men threw the box back in the store

and ran.
Property Damage
 Several fraternity members from Eastern Michigan University damaged a room March 31 at Comfort Inn, 1645 Commerce Park Drive.

When officers arrived at the hotel, a smoke alarm had been activated because a fire extinguisher had been discharged in the room.

The hotel manager took officers to the room that the fraternity members had rented. The manager told police that the room would need extensive professional cleaning to remove all of the flame retardant.

The fraternity members left a credit card, so the hotel could bill the damage. Damage to the room is estimated at \$1,500.

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The good news is, you don't have to wait until next Easter for another opportunity. You don't have to wait for next Christmas, or even for Mother's Day. And please don't wait for a wedding or a funeral.

In some ways, every Sunday morning worship service is like a miniature Easter. Oh, it's not quite as fancy; the church isn't decorated with Easter lilies; there's no Easter breakfast. But what is

Easter all about? Easter is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, of Him coming physically alive after being literally dead since the previous Friday afternoon. But more than that, Easter is a celebration of what this means: Jesus' Resurrection is proof that God the Father accepted His Son's payment on the cross for the sins of the world. We are forgiven, and heaven is wide open for us.

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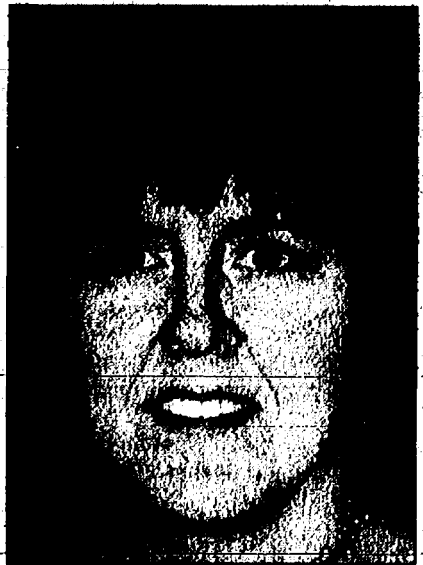
Street Talk

By Erin Dronen

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"One In A Million," by Aaliyah.
Jenny Parker
Chelsea



"The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald," by Gordon Lightfoot.
Vicki Hatch
Pinckney

Poetry is alive and kicking



GREGORY PARKER

COMMUNITY ROOTS

This probably isn't circled on your calendar like it is on mine, but April is National Poetry Month.

I fancy myself a poet. Or an apprentice poet. Either way, it's funny how this is viewed as an exotic and obscure trade.

"Oh, you're a poet," they say. "I thought they died out a long time ago."

OK, so it's not really like that. But sometimes it feels that way.

You'll rarely — if ever — see a literary poet make the best-seller lists. It's not necessarily a glamorous profession, and poets hold little celebrity cache in the eyes of the public. Maybe Allen Ginsburg did. Maybe Robert Frost. Perhaps Maya Angelou. What about Emily Dickinson,

you say?

Only after she died.

Consider the importance of poets in ancient times, when paper was scarce (or nonexistent), printing presses were a distant fantasy and books were for the ultra rich and powerful. Not to mention most couldn't read. So people largely relied on oral communication for storytelling and history, oftentimes at public performances.

That's why poetry was so important then. Its meter, beat, rhythm and cadence make it easy to remember, easy to pass on. As does its rhyme and repetition.

Mind you, ancients didn't walk around memorizing the thousands of lines of the "Odyssey" or the "Aeneid." It's likely that they remembered bits and pieces and shared them with each other, like you would do with the lyrics of your favorite song.

Thousands of years ago, poets were television, the Internet, books, movies and newspapers all rolled into one.

Poems helped form a culture's oral tradition, passing along stories and history from city to city, friends to friends and from gen-

eration to generation simply via the spoken word.

Back then, Homer and Virgil may not have been household names, but they were probably more popular than our best poets.

So what happened?

On the surface, perhaps there are fewer superstar poets than there were years ago. But if you take the time to look, I think you'll be pleasantly surprised about the state of poetry in the electronic culture machine we call America.

Poetry is alive and kicking. In the last century, it has been democratized. It's not perfect, but it's a little more grassroots. The high culture of poetry has been brought to the masses, so to speak.

Our poets may not be superstars, but there are probably more of them than ever before.

Take rap. Many don't think of this as poetry, but it most certainly is. If you've listened to enough of it, you'll know that the best rappers use incredible imagery and voice to tell stories. They're master-word crafters.

Perhaps most importantly, rap gives a voice to many people that poetry used to ignore.

What about the oral tradition of poetry, the public performances, readings, that sort of thing? If the popularity of poetry slams is any gauge, I think it's safe to say we're in good shape there.

At these events, poets perform their work in front of an audience, and selected members grade them. Those who combine the best poetry with the best performance win.

These are a big deal, drawing hundreds of thousands on national tours. This is performance. This is the communication of culture via public performance of words structured into poems.

And, of course, the academy is finally bringing us poets of every race, gender and ethnicity. The poets hired by colleges and universities, the ones published in small academic presses, are more diverse than ever. There are new voices out there, the voices of workers, the voices of the Black South, the voices of cities, the voices of the farm.

When someone mentions poetry, many of you may think of vague imagery and gentlemen scholars and odes and sonnets. That sort of poetry is important,

but perhaps it's inaccessible.

But I'd be willing to bet that if you picked up the work of a contemporary poet, you might like what you read. I'd be willing to bet that some would identify with Phillip Levine's stories of work and labor in Detroit.

Others would appreciate Laura Kasischke's careful considerations of domesticity. Still more would empathize and weep when Donald Hall writes about losing his wife to cancer. And even more would enjoy Ron Wallace's ruminations about building an outhouse with a Skill saw.

You can find or order these books at the bookstore.

Poetry's still alive and kicking, and it's a little different than you may remember it.

If you fancy yourself a poet, then be sure to consider entering the 2002 Chelsea Poetry Competition. The entry deadline is April 20, and you can submit your work at the Little Professor Book Center in Chelsea.

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Slang can be baffling to some people



KAY QUICK

SN & SYNTAX

I have a new book, "Hip and Hot," by Richard Spears, which is a compendium of slang. Many of the words and phrases are not news — or new — to me, but I must say that many of them have surprised me.

I find that in college slang a "hook" is a grade of "C," and "to hook" means to receive a "C." "I hooked nuclear physics without any trouble," or "I got a hook in nuc. phys." I'd like to know the derivation of this. How did a "C" grade become a "hook"? I knew "hook" to mean to steal something or to be addicted, but "hook" as a "C" strikes me as unusual, to say the least.

Also, under "H" I find that "honey" can mean beer. Again, that's news to me, a fervent beer drinker from my college days. That's another slang use that I find difficult to understand.

Beer isn't sweet. So why "honey"? I do know that a pretty girl is often called a "honey," but

that use isn't in my book.

Another "H" I never had heard of is "honyock," defined as someone, usually a male, who appears rude and unsophisticated. It is noted as "old," so perhaps little used now — certainly not by me.

It must be that I very obviously don't move in circles where some of the slang listed here is used.

Moving to the letter "L," I find that "I smell you" means "I understand you." There's no attribution for this phrase. We're not told whence it came, or how it came to be. If someone said it to me then I should think of two implications: one, that I hadn't bathed lately or two, that my

Chanel No. 5 was being wafted on the air.

I understand "ice queen" and "iceberg," even "iceman" — a killer. But one I've never seen or heard before is "iceberg slim," which means, I'm told, "a cold and heartless person, someone who exploits others." Osama bin Laden, maybe?

I know "in the bag" and "in the black" and "in the buff" and even "in the catbird seat," but "in tall cotton" is news to me. According to "Hip and Hot," it means "successful, on easy street." This must come from the south and cotton plantations. I suppose that cotton plants are better if they're tall, but it's not anything that would have

occurred to me.

I suppose one could say, "I had a great day at the races, and now I'm in tall cotton." If I should have a great day at the races, I'd probably say, "I won, and I'm in the chips!"

Of course, "in the chips" comes from poker and blackjack, and I'm not very good at those either.

Did you know that a "kick in the wrist" means "a shot of liquor"? I didn't. I begin to think that I don't get around much any more.

Kay Quick, a retired teacher, is a regular columnist for The Guardian, a publication of Heritage Newspapers.

Maybe Kmart became too complacent



JOAN DYER ZINNER

OVERVIEW

I felt compelled recently to visit an old friend.

My nostalgic visit was made to the Super Kmart store in my hometown where I browsed through the aisles, checked out Martha Stewart's home products and made a few small purchases.

I had hoped to hear the familiar, "Attention Kmart shoppers" over the loud speaker, but, alas, there were no "Blue Light Specials" offered that morning by the pioneer of discount shopping.

After following media accounts of the financial woes of Kmart Corp., which culminated in its filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, it seemed appropriate to visit the discount store that led the way for its currently more successful counterparts.

My feeling of nostalgia for Kmart is partially motivated by my memories of working as a co-op student in the firm's former headquarters in Detroit.

At that time, the company was

known as the S.S. Kresge Co., and there were more small Kresge dime stores in the chain than large Kmart discount stores.

The Kresge family, well known for its philanthropic endeavors, provided candy for the children's Christmas program at the church my family attended.

As one might guess, patronizing the Kresge family's stores was almost "a must" for members of our small congregation.

Of course, it wasn't long before the Kresge stores began to fade from the scene along with most of the neighborhood mom-and-pop variety stores.

In consumers' quests for bigger bargains and wider selections of merchandise, variety

stores were replaced by Kmart. Big K and Super Kmart stores, plus other companies who copied and, in many ways, improved upon the venerable retailer's basic blueprint.

Today's news reports are full of speculations on what happened to the once dominant figure in discount shopping, but I think the answer may be more simple than experts' conjectures.

Could it be that Kmart simply became too complacent? Too certain of its position of dominance that it underestimated the power of Wal-Mart and Target to play catch-up until they surpassed the snoozing giant of merchandising?

Still, I enjoyed strolling the Kmart aisles after the announcement.

A young employee smiled and greeted me with a "Good morning. How are you doing?"

I wonder where he got the idea to do that?

Joan Dyer-Zinner is the former editor of The View, a publication of Heritage Newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Poetry contest helps fill void for some

I appreciate The Standard's recent story about the 2002 Chelsea Poetry Contest, but felt that it was missing one significant aspect, and that is the profound importance of poetry to our lives.

People turn to poetry, both to read and to write, when we require a purer, more distilled instrument with which to make sense of the world to help us transcend our isolation and the other maladies of the human condition, as well as to celebrate great joys.

With the support of the library, I started the poetry contest three years ago both to celebrate the art of poetry and to help create a community of poets.

Over the last three years, I have met, worked with and helped to honor some wonderful poets who have joined together to support each other in their

writing and living.

In the ensuing years I hope the Chelsea poetry contest will continue to bridge the distance — both real and imagined — between us and inspire young and old to new heights of artistic excellence.

Douglas Smith
Sylvan Township

Library should seek independent thinkers

The Chelsea Standard published two articles about the Chelsea District Library March 28. The article "Library board seeks applicants" indicated the expectations for candidates for the Chelsea District Library Board included "candidates should support the board's interest."

Is the Chelsea District Library Board really saying they only want candidates who agree with them?

Are they saying they do not want independent or creative

thinkers?

Are they saying they only want clones who are in lockstep with the current board?

Don't diverse opinions bring out the best in a public forum?

Candidates for any public body, first and foremost, should be concerned with the interest of the taxpayers, the voters, the residents of the community.

In the article dealing with an

upcoming telephone survey, it was noted the Chelsea District Library Board discussed the best investment options for its funds. A public body with excess funds should be returning them to the taxpayers in lower millage assessment not placing them in investments.

Thomas J. Herron
Chelsea Village

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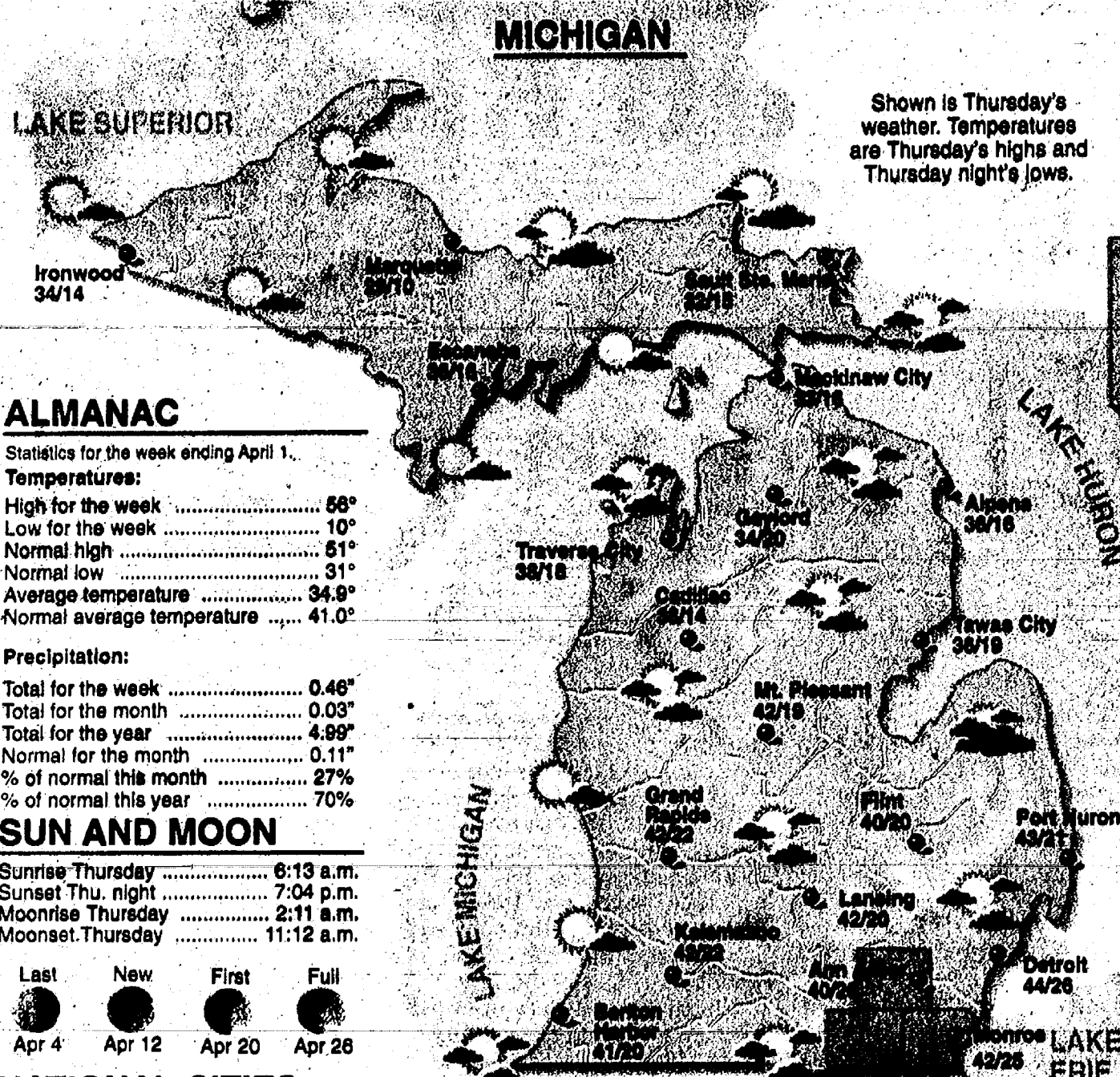
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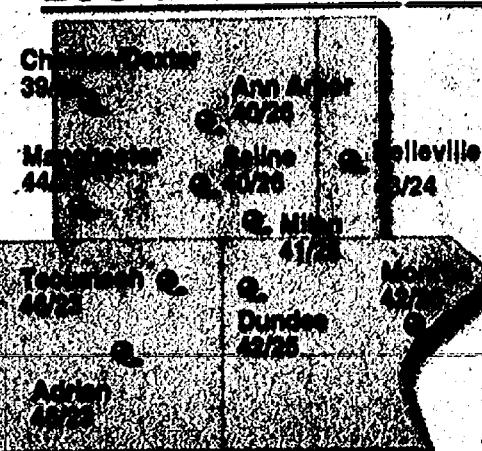
FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

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THURSDAY	THU NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HIGH: 38°-42° Mix of clouds and sun.	LOW: 24°-28° Mostly clear and cold.	HIGH: 40°-44° Partly sunny and chilly. LOW: 24°-28°	HIGH: 48°-52° Mostly sunny. LOW: 32°-36°	HIGH: 50°-54° Milder with wind and some sun. LOW: 36°-40°	HIGH: 54°-58° Cloudy with some showers. LOW: 36°-40°



LOCAL WEATHER



MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	40/28/pc	42/28/s
Battle Creek	43/22/c	43/27/s
Bay City	36/22/pc	40/24/s
Coldwater	45/24/c	46/29/s
Dearborn	44/28/pc	42/30/pc
Detroit	44/28/pc	42/30/pc
Grand Rapids	42/22/s	43/25/s
Holland	41/21/s	44/29/s
Jackson	40/28/c	42/28/s
Kalamazoo	42/22/c	44/28/s
Lansing	42/20/c	43/23/s
Livonia	44/25/pc	43/28/s
Midland	43/22/pc	41/24/s
Monroe	42/25/pc	42/27/s
Muskegon	42/21/s	42/27/s
Pontiac	43/22/pc	41/23/s
Port Huron	43/21/pc	40/22/pc
Saginaw	38/22/pc	40/24/s
Saline	40/26/pc	42/26/s
Sault Ste. Marie	33/15/pc	33/18/s
Sturgis	44/24/c	45/30/s
Toronto	38/18/c	26/18/c
Traverse City	38/18/c	38/22/s
Warren	44/27/pc	41/31/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, p-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, r-rain, t-thunderstorms, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, h-hice

TRAVEL

Lansing, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
Plenty of sunshine across much of the state on Thursday will make for unfettered travel conditions.

REALFEEL TEMPTM

The exclusive AccuWeather RealFeel Temperature is a measure of how the weather feels, taking into account all weather factors including temperature, humidity, wind, weather and UV radiation. Shown is the highest RealFeel temperature for each day.
Highest Thursday: 41°
Highest Friday: 40°
Highest Saturday: 43°
Highest Sunday: 43°

SOLUNAR TABLE

Four-day forecast indicates peak feeding times for fish and game.

	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thurs: 6:28 a.m.	12:19 a.m.	6:53 p.m.	12:41 p.m.	
Fri: 7:16 a.m.	1:03 a.m.	7:40 p.m.	1:28 p.m.	
Sat: 8:03 a.m.	2:21 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	2:44 p.m.	

UV INDEX

Highest Thursday: 8
The ultraviolet index is a guide to exposure to the sun. The higher the UV index number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

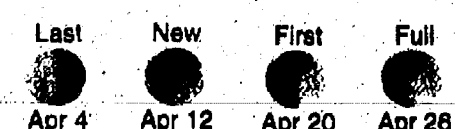
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Statistics for the week ending April 1.
Temperatures:
High for the week: 58°
Low for the week: 10°
Normal high: 51°
Normal low: 31°
Average temperature: 34.9°
Normal average temperature: 41.0°

Precipitation:
Total for the week: 0.46"
Total for the month: 0.03"
Total for the year: 4.89"
Normal for the month: 0.11"
% of normal this month: 27%
% of normal this year: 70%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday: 6:13 a.m.
Sunset Thu. night: 7:04 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday: 2:11 a.m.
Moonset Thursday: 11:12 a.m.



NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W	City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W	City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W	City	Thur. HI/Lo/W	Fri. HI/Lo/W
Akron	44/24/pc	44/28/c	Buffalo	38/24/c	40/24/pc	Denver	68/38/s	74/40/s	Knoxville	59/33/pc	57/35/s
Albany	48/26/s	44/22/s	Burlington, IA	49/30/s	58/38/pc	Des Moines	51/29/s	58/39/c	Las Vegas	82/66/s	80/66/s
Anchorage	74/44/s	76/44/s	Burlington, VT	48/28/s	38/18/s	Duluth	32/18/s	38/25/pc	Lexington, KY	51/27/pc	51/32/s
Atlanta	37/21/s	39/24/s	Casper	61/33/s	65/35/pc	El Paso	78/50/c	82/50/s	Lincoln	54/28/pc	64/41/pc
Atlanta City	64/42/pc	66/44/s	Cedar Rapids	64/25/s	64/35/pc	Fairbanks	28/50/pc	28/12/c	Little Rock	62/40/c	64/44/s
Austin	52/38/s	50/38/s	Charleston, SC	68/44/pc	65/42/s	Fargo	39/22/s	44/33/pc	Los Angeles	64/55/pc	68/55/pc
Baltimore	72/48/c	76/48/c	Charleston, WV	62/38/pc	58/28/s	Flagstaff	68/28/s	62/29/pc	Louisville	58/31/pc	58/35/s
Baton Rouge	54/30/s	50/30/s	Charlotte	62/38/pc	58/38/s	Fort Wayne	48/28/pc	50/32/s	Madison	43/22/s	48/32/pc
Billings	71/48/c	72/47/pc	Cheyenne	60/34/s	66/38/s	Gary	44/25/s	50/32/pc	Memphis	62/40/c	62/44/s
Birmingham	59/36/pc	60/38/c	Chicago	44/24/s	50/32/pc	Green Bay	40/21/s	43/26/pc	Miami	88/70/pc	82/68/c
Bismarck	64/40/pc	66/38/s	Cincinnati	50/26/pc	50/30/s	Helen	54/28/pc	62/30/pc	Milwaukee	42/24/s	48/31/pc
Bloomington	49/22/s	51/34/pc	Cleveland	42/24/pc	42/25/s	Honolulu	82/68/s	83/67/s	Minneapolis	40/22/s	48/30/pc
Boise	54/32/pc	52/32/s	Columbia, MO	58/32/pc	62/38/s	Houston	68/54/c	74/58/sh	Mobile	72/48/c	72/48/s
Boston	74/42/s	64/40/pc	Columbus, OH	48/32/pc	52/30/s	Indianapolis	50/27/pc	52/33/s	Nashville	57/34/pc	58/35/s
Brownsville	52/32/s	48/30/s	Dallas	64/48/c	70/52/pc	Juneau	34/19/s	37/24/pc	New Orleans	74/54/c	72/58/s
			Davenport	48/26/s	54/36/pc	Kansas City	50/34/pc	64/40/s	New York	54/36/pc	49/38/s

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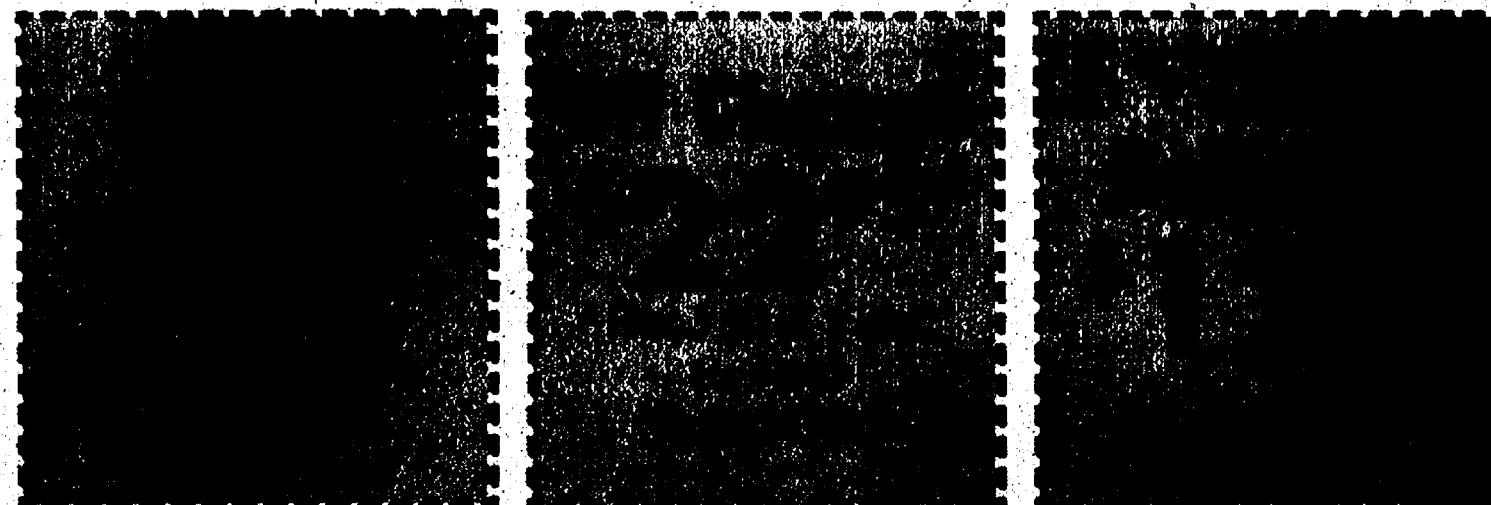
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Historic Charm

Homeowners seek to preserve former Zion parsonage

By Sven Gustafson

Heritage Newspapers

even years ago, when Jack and Angelika Lewis purchased the home at 2905 S. Fletcher Road in Freedom Township, the self-described "old house people" knew they were buying just that — an old house.

They knew the vernacular Gothic Revival house, purchased for \$179,000, was built in 1890 and that it served as the former parsonage for nearby Old Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, which appears on the Michigan Historical Register.

They also knew the weathered, old low stone wall on the southern edge of their property was the foundation of the old German schoolhouse for Rogers Corner, the name given the old neighborhood of English and later German immigrants.

But mainly, the newly married schoolteachers came to find a piece of paradise in the country.

"He particularly liked the country," Angelika said of Jack. "I particularly like a feeling of rootedness in an area that is settled and has some history."

"There are so many times when you're out in the country, and you're alone. But this is a little community here on this corner."

"It's kind of like the land time forgot," Jack said of Freedom Township. "There's not much going on out here."

But after discovering just how much history the house has, the Lewises decided to do something.

So last fall, Angelika contacted the Washtenaw County Historic District Commission about turning their home and four-acre property into a historic district.

"It was here before us and it will be here after us," Angelika said. "We're committing ourselves to maintain the structural integrity of the house."

After the Freedom Township Board gave its approval last fall, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution March 6 authorizing the study of the Old Zion Parsonage for possible designation as a historic district.

The board created the Old Zion Parsonage Historic District Study Committee to study the project. The Lewises will serve as advisers to the seven-person committee, along with Marnie Paulus, a staff member of the county's historic

district.

Properties studied for historic districts are evaluated against four points of criteria, involving a property's age and impact on area settlement, and having significant people, architecture and archaeological features, Paulus said.

"We know so much about (the house) because of the Old Zion Lutheran Church minutes, so we know when it was built, and how big it was, and that the parishioners had to help pay for it," she said. "Usually we don't have this much information about a house."

"The stories are wonderful — we're getting the stories as we go."

"One thing we're really impressed with is the talent of the committee," said Jack Lewis, who teaches elementary school in Plymouth.

Committee chair Grace Shackman is a published author of historical books and articles; voting member Norm Wenk, who was born and baptized at the church, is the storyteller of the bunch; and adviser Jasper Pennington is a former pastor.

If approved, it would be the first historic district in Freedom Township.

Angelika is a former resident of Ann Arbor's Old West Side Historic District, and said that's what gave her the idea for the project.

But it's the history Angelika has unearthed with help of title companies and plat books from the county building in Ann Arbor that has driven the couple.

They have learned that the old parsonage house was of a typical German two-door design, but the red barn next door was an English threshing barn. The barn, which features hand-hewn logs as roofing beams, was apparently rotated nearly a century ago from its north-south orientation to face east and west.

They have also learned that a saloonkeeper named Frederick Emminger once lived at the same address prior to 1890. Angelika believes the parsonage house sits atop Emminger's foundation, meaning the foundation pre-dates 1890. She also thinks the kitchen originally was part of another building and was added on later.

"The houses get moved around and the land gets added to and subdivided," she said.

Angelika said that the home's history mirrors the settlement patterns of immigrants in the area.

As proof, the German-born Angelika, who

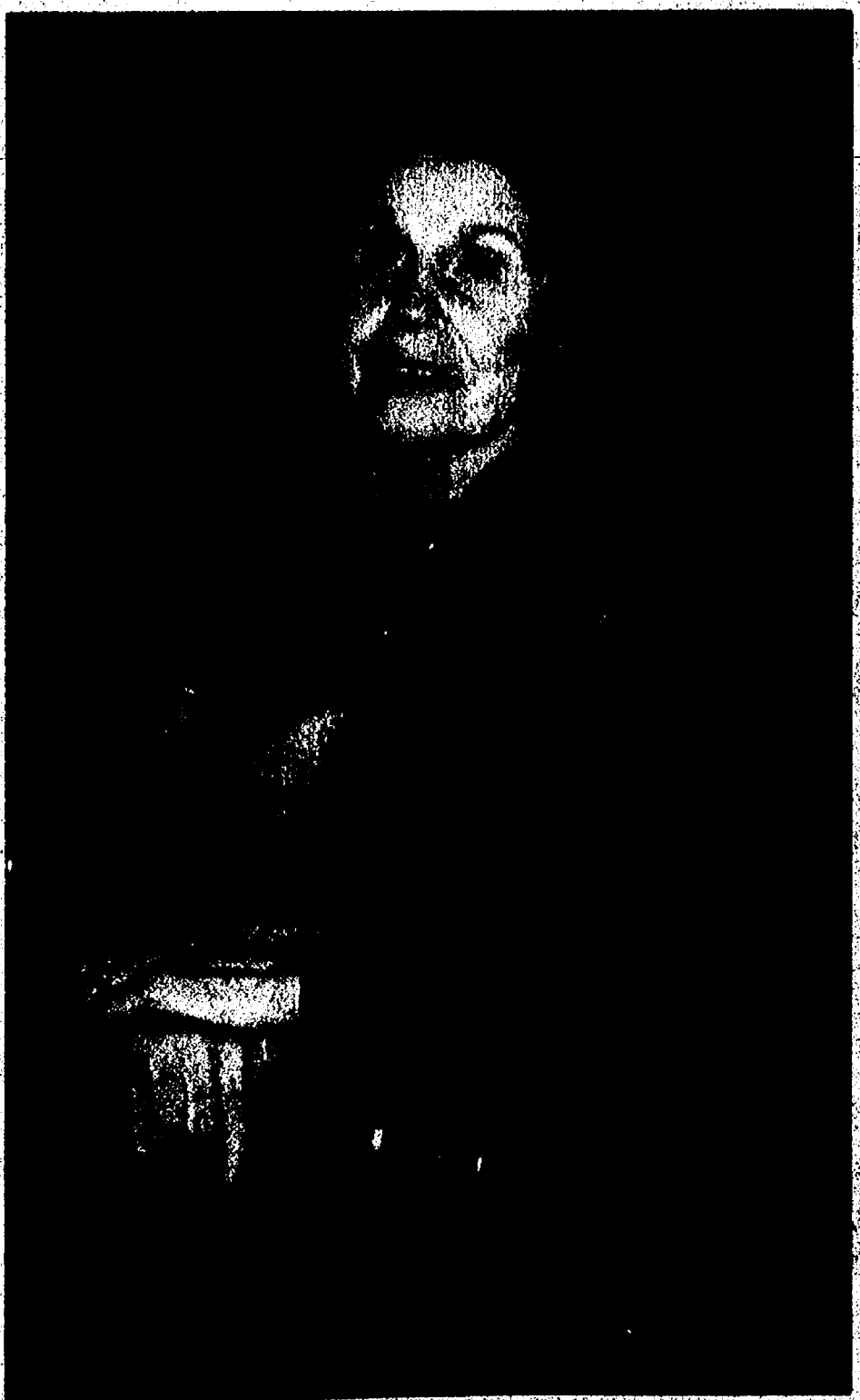
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The Old Zion Parsonage is pictured above after a June 6, 1917, cyclone tore the roof off the house. The storm also destroyed the old church's bell tower and roof, as well as several nearby homes, according to longtime neighbor and Zion Lutheran member Norm Wenk.



Jack and Angelika Lewis said this English, gable-roofed threshing barn (at left) once housed a cow and crops the church provided for the pastor's family. It features hand-hewn logs as roof beams.



Chelsea resident Barbara DeYoe was a Girl Scout leader in the 1960s.

Girl Scouts marks 90 years

By Lisa Carolin

Special Writer

Chelsea residents Lois Glenn, Ferne Brown, Mildred Conrad, Elise Moretti, Dorothy Greer and Barbara DeYoe share more than 100 years of Girl Scouting among them.

The five women brought their memories of Scouting to a celebration of 90 years of Scouting held March 11 at the First United Church on Park Street in Chelsea.

The organization, started by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912, today boasts 3.7 million members. Close to 300 are in Chelsea, with 21 troops consisting of 225 girls and 100 adults.

Cadette Troop 1284, led by Chelsea resident Lynn Booth, hosted the 90th anniversary celebration, a time for sharing memories of decades of Girl Scouting.

Lois Glenn, a United Methodist ordained minister who led the closing prayer at the event, remembers attending the National Girl Scout Council in Boston in 1950.

"Madame Van Den Bosch from the Netherlands was the speaker," Glenn said. "She was telling the American audience about trying to restart Scouting in Europe after World War II had ended five years before."

"I remember her describing how she watched the Nazis sweep through her town and

took all the men away."

Glenn said that when many European countries were asked about inviting German Girl Scout troops to the council meeting, the answer was a definitive yes, which encouraged Glenn to continue her leadership role in Scouting.

She had the chance to visit Our Chalet in Switzerland, which is one of the four world headquarters for Girl Scouts.

A troop leader at Alma College in 1942, Glenn led troops in Detroit, Evanston, Ill., and Saginaw before returning to Detroit four decades ago.

She also was a volunteer administrator on the Mitten Bay Council.

From 1990 to 1999, she became a leader trainer on the Fair Winds Council in Flint, where she was honored with the Thanks 2 Badge, a national award.

Glenn, who has been continually registered as a Girl Scout since she was 10 years old, said that what she enjoyed most about being a Scout was wearing the uniform, earning badges, learning first aid and making things for the war effort.

"I learned so much from the Girl Scout Promise and Law," she said. "Girl Scouts is one of the most wonderful things in life. It offers opportunities you could not have anywhere else."

Elise Moretti helped organize

Troop 6 in Lexington, Ky., in 1931. Every year, her troop took gifts and fruit to the needy in the mountains of Kentucky. They once set up a training week for the National Girl Scout Association on the Kentucky River.

"We slept on a barge and cooked our meals along the banks of the river," Moretti said. "We learned to identify trees, visited horse farms and ate smores."

In the early 1960s, she led a troop in Detroit. She worked as a secretary, a substitute teacher and was a homemaker.

"Girl Scouts was a great way to have fun, make good friends and to learn all kinds of things," Moretti said. "I still remember when Girl Scout cookies cost 30 cents for a box."

Barbara DeYoe didn't have the opportunity to become a Girl Scout when she was growing up in Grant, north of Grand Rapids. However, after moving to Chelsea and starting a family, she trained to become a Girl Scout leader.

"I worked as a leader in the 1950s, '60s and '70s when my daughters were Scouts," DeYoe said. "I remember the cookie sales and hosting campouts on our property."

Since DeYoe also had two sons, she became a Cub Scout leader and chaperoned Boy Scouts on their overnight stays.

Ferne Brown started the first Girl Scout troop in Chelsea. She was also a professional Girl Scout executive and founded Camp Linden.

"I remember the day that (President) John F. Kennedy was shot in 1963," Brown said. "I closed a deal that day on the purchase of the land that became Cedar Lake Camp in the Waterloo Recreation Area."

Brown has been continuously registered as a Girl Scout since 1938.

She was an assistant leader for a troop in Rochester, and led a senior troop in Dearborn. The senior troop raised money for camping trips by making doughnuts and holding spaghetti dinners. Her favorite trip with the troop was a "gypsy" trip through all the parks in Michigan.

During the war, her troop collected grease to make soap and helped with the sugar rationing. The senior troop also interviewed people of all different professions to help them decide what they wanted to do in life.

Brown traveled a great deal and saw Girl Scouts in India, Australia and in Switzerland at Our Chalet World Headquarters.

She became a nurse, a teacher and a Girl Scout executive.

"Scouting taught me that everybody has something to give and that each of us has a special talent," she said. "Girl Scouting

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Saturday, April 6

Pierce's Pastries Plus, 103 W. Middle St., in Chelsea presents Saturday morning's Mochas and Music from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This week's entertainer is Chad Dube.

Sunday, April 7

Waterfowl Tour will be held 1 to 4 p.m. at the Eddy Discovery Center-Waterloo Recreation Area. Cost is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. For reservations, call 475-3170.

Monday, April 8

Chelsea Area Garden Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. Learn how to make crafts with plants and flowers. The program is free and visitors are welcome.

Wednesday, April 10

American Red Cross Blood Drive 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Chelsea High School, 740 N. Freer Road, in Chelsea. Open to the public.

Chelsea Evening Primrose Garden Club will meet 7 p.m. at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St., in Chelsea. There will be a water gardening presentation by Ralph Heiden, Jackson County Extension agent. Tickets are \$7 in advance. To register, call Helen Brown 1-517-522-5859.

Thursday, April 11

Monthly Community Dinner will be held 5 to 7 p.m. at Chelsea First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 for children ages 4 to 12, free for children ages 3 and younger.

Chelsea Village will hold a public meeting 7 p.m. in the Washington Street Education Center board room, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea, to share information about Phase II of the water project.

Chelsea Community Hospital is offering a free public lecture from 7 to 8 p.m. The topic includes herbs and supplements and will be held at the Chelsea Community Hospital Health & Wellness Center Conference Room. To register, call 475-4100.

CHELSEA MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday

Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets the third Thursday of the month from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W.

Middle St. Meetings are free and confidential. Call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-337-3827.

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of each month. Call 475-1145.

Chelsea First United Methodist Church hosts a dinner, on the second Thursday of each month, 5 to 7 p.m. in Grams Hall, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. Call 475-8119.

Friends of Chelsea District Library meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Call 475-2424.

Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Thursdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For reservations, call 475-7439.

Friday

Chelsea Arbor Treatment Center holds Nicotine Anonymous meetings noon to 1 p.m. at 800 Victors Way, Suite 310, in Ann Arbor. Call 930-0201.

Saturday

Hope Clinic, a free clinic for people with no health insurance, is held 9 a.m. to noon, on second Saturdays at Faith In Action 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 475-3305.

Western Washtenaw Republicans meets 9 to 11 a.m. second Saturday of each month at Wolverine Food & Spirits on Old US-12 in Chelsea. Call 475-3874.

Sunday

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. Call 1-800-852-9781.

Monday

Chelsea AA group meetings are held 8:30 p.m. Monday, 8 p.m. Thursday and 7 p.m. Sunday at the Chelsea hospital dining room; and Tuesday at the U.A.W. Hall next to the Chelsea Post Office.

Chelsea Area Garden Club meets 12:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. Call 433-5451.

Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at 6:15 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 475-6090.

Domestic Violence Project Safe House Support Group meets 6:30 to 8 p.m. Mondays at Chelsea Community Hospital, Behavioral Health Services Building, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 426-0369.

Mystery Book Club meets 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Overeaters' Anonymous meets Monday nights at the Covenant Church, 50 N. Freer Road in Chelsea. Call 433-0902.

Tuesday

Chelsea District Library Board meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the Washington Street Education Center meeting room, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Chelsea Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

Chelsea Rotary Club meets 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Common Grill, 112 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

Euchre Party is held 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Chelsea Senior Citizen Center in the Faith In Action building, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 475-9242.

Senior Nutrition Program meets noon Tuesdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. Call 475-7439.

Wednesday

Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4076, 105 N. Main St., meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday. Call 475-1448.

Grief Support Group, offered by the Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W. Middle St., in Chelsea, meets 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Wednesdays. Call 475-8633.

The Evening Primrose Garden Club meets 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St., in Chelsea. Call 1-517-522-5859.

DEXTER

Saturday, April 13

Huron River Watershed Council's annual Spring River Round-Up will be held 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Join a small team to search for creatures living on the bottom of the streams at sites in Livingston, Oakland and Washtenaw counties. Call 769-5071 to register and get directions.

DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday

Dexter American Legion meets 8 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the American Legion Post, 8225 Dexter-Chelsea Road. Call 426-5304.

Dexter Historical Society meets 8 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St., in Dexter.

Dexter Rotary Club meets 7:30 a.m. Thursdays at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7884 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Wylie Middle School media center, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

Monday

Dexter District Library Board meets 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at Dexter Library, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter.

Dexter PTO meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month in the media center at Mill Creek Middle School, 7305 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Village Council meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth

Mondays of the month at Wylie Middle School media center, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

Tuesday

Dexter Child Study Club meets 7:30 p.m. at various locations on the third Tuesday of the month. Call 426-8598.

Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of the month at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7884 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and fourth Tuesday of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Touchdown Club meets 7:30 p.m. every second Tuesday each month at 2615 Baker Road, in Dexter. For more information, call 426-3745 or 1-810-231-3701.

Dexter Village Parks Commission meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Wylie Middle School, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

Wednesday

Friends of Dexter District Library meets 12:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter. Call 426-6775.

Monument Park Committee meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month in the basement, National City Bank, 8123 Main St., in Dexter. Call 426-2883.

Parents for Safety, a non-profit organization dedicated to safety issues in the schools and the village of Dexter, meets 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in Mill Creek Middle School media center, 7305 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter. Meetings are open to the public. Call 426-2883.

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WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



Shepard, Wilson exchange marriage vows in Hawaii

Michelle Shepard of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, daughter of Donald and Sue Shepard of Dexter, and Chris Wilson of Calgary, son of Bob and Lauretta Wilson of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, were married Sept. 27 on Mahaulepu Beach, Kauai, Hawaii, with Merlin Ching performing a Hawaiian-focused ceremony.

The matron of honor was Amanda Lackey of Auburn, Calif.

The bridegroom's friend, Sarah Wilson of Calgary, was the flower girl.

The bridegroom's friend, James Hood of Edmonton, was the best man.

Receptions were held Sept. 27 at the Tidepools restaurant at

the Hyatt Resort of Kauai and Dec. 20 at the Michigan League in Ann Arbor. The couple honeymooned in Maui, then in Australia in the spring of 2002. They currently reside in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Dexter High School and a 1997 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as a marketing director for the University of Calgary athletic department.

The groom was educated in Calgary. He is employed as an events and marketing director at Swimming Nation Canada and as an age group swim coach for the Cascade Swim Club of Calgary.



ENGAGED: Kelly Kornick of Dexter and Jason Simpson of Clarkston have set an April 20 wedding date. The future bride is the daughter of Robert and Pamela Kornick of Dexter. She is a 1991 graduate of Dexter High School and a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan. She is employed at Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn. The future bridegroom is the son of Susan and Gregg Dennis of Clarkston and Ronald and Pat Simpson of Long Beach, Calif. He is a 1990 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 1995 graduate from Central Michigan University. He is currently pursuing a teaching certificate from the University of Michigan in Flint.



ENGAGED: Tanya South of Chelsea, daughter of Jack and Marianne Behler of Ann Arbor and the late Barry South, and Luman Strong of Chelsea, son of Robert and Eleanor Strong of Chelsea, have set a June 15 private wedding at Maranatha Resort on Lake Michigan in Muskegon. A local reception will be held Aug. 11 at the Chelsea Depot. The future bride has a nursing degree from Michigan State University. The future bridegroom is a 1993 graduate of Cedarville College in Ohio and is employed as a fifth-grade teacher at North Creek Elementary School in Chelsea.

Students named to dean's list

Several local residents have been named to dean's lists at their respective colleges and universities.

Colleen Brady of Jonesville, the daughter of Paul Brady of Dexter, and Debra Ann Rivera of Jonesville, has been named to the dean's list of Emory College in Atlanta.

Kristina Rudd, the daughter of Michael and Margery Rudd of Scio Township, has been named to the dean's list during the 2001 fall term at Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vt.

Sarah Hall and James Laughlin of Scio Township have both been named to the dean's list at Columbia University in New York City.

Charles Robert Valentine, son of Harry and Debbie Valentine of Dexter, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Pensacola Christian College in Pensacola, Fla.

Adam Thomas Schmid of Chelsea has been named to the fall 2001 dean's list at Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie. Schmid is a freshman studying fire science.

Caroline Loukotka of Scio Township has been named to the 2001 fall semester dean's list at Simmons College in Boston.

Jonas Benjamin Kieffer of Scio Township has been named

to the dean's list of Connecticut College in New London, Conn. He is a member of the class of 2005.

Christine Dolph has been named to the dean's list of Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, for the 2001 fall semester. Dolph, the daughter of Lawrence Dolph and Lynn Nybell of Scio Township, is a biology major.

Katie Whitcomb of Scio Township, a communications studies major at Azusa Pacific University in California, was named to the dean's list for the 2001 fall semester.

Harsh named to Who's Who list

Dexter High School graduate Danielle Harsh is one of 51 Albion College students selected for the 2002 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

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Harsh of Dexter, is a senior majoring in speech communication and minoring in English. She is completing a program in secondary education.



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ENGAGEMENTS



ENGAGED: Linda Anderson of Jackson, daughter of Robert and Arlene McNally of Jackson, and Jerome Martell of Chelsea, son of Dorothy Betke of Ann Arbor and the late Fredrick Martell, have set an Aug. 3 wedding date. The future bride is employed as a supervisor for C.P. Federal Credit Union. The future bridegroom is an educator for Ypsilanti Public Schools.

ENGAGED: Sarah Voss of Columbus, Ohio, daughter of Harold and Anne Voss of Columbus, Ohio, and Jeffrey Wagner of Ann Arbor, son of Michael and Patricia Wagner of Dexter, have set an Aug. 17 wedding date. The future bride is a 1994 graduate of The Wellington School in Columbus, Ohio, and a 1998 graduate from Depauw University in Greencastle, Ind. She is employed at the YMCA in Columbus, Ohio, as a childcare director. The future bridegroom is a 1993 graduate of Dexter High School and a 1997 graduate from Depauw University. He has a master's degree in business from the University of Michigan and is employed at Deloitte Consulting in Detroit.

Students named to EMU dean's list

Several local residents have been named to the dean's list at Eastern Michigan University.

Chelsea residents who made the list are Kimberly Baird, Kyle Christensen, Charles DeGryse, Jerrod Fletcher, Kristin Gaunt, Molly Harris, Lisa Irish, Jason Kalmbach, Melissa Letizio, Heather McKenzie, Amber Neuenschwander, Katie Parker, Tina Rice, Charles Riedel, Jennifer Saarinen, Thomas Schmid and Tiffany Scott.

LeAnne Ellsworth, Monica Loveland and Mallory Wentz, all of Grass Lake, are on the list.

Heather Rennie, Katherine Ryan, Emily Scott, Shannon Scurluck, Jamie Warren and Deborah Wilson, all of Gregory, are among those on the list.

Pinckney residents named to the list are Jonathan Babcock, Clifford Briggs, Trisha Burt, Jesse Cogswell, Catherine Cooke, Lisa Cowdrey, Juliana Deleruyelle, Michelle Eilber, Patience Gardner, Dawn Hillyer, Aaron Humphrey, Elaine Karoleff, Jill Katakowski, David Klerkz, Lynn Knudson, Michael Konas, Marguerite Krajacic and Sheri Kremers.

Other Pinckney residents who received the honor are Salli Kropp, Lauren Lafonde, Chadwick Lavey, Nicole Leidner, Kevin Mason, Katie Murdock, Nina Plasencia, Elizabeth Ponitz, Robin Roberts, Jennifer Sanders, Scott Stielow, Tami Thompson, Elaine Tonna, Anthony Valentine, Krista Walton, Matthew Wehrman, Jolyn White, Rachael Wismont and Christina Woods.

Several Dexter-area residents are on the list. They are Leif Batell, Lindsay Bolik, Andrew Faltel, Anne Graulich, Susan Hardin, Amber Hollenbeck, Kate Jackson, Sarah Jedeke, Marissa Johnson, Laura Kelly, Joyce Kijek, Paul McKelvey and Shanna Milbocker.

Other Dexter residents who made the list are Emily Nuber, Brett Pederson, Daniel Rhoades, Debra Sakowski, Christopher Samborn, Jason Schrader, Sara Simon, Dera Sipe, David Sprinkle, Stephanie Strasburg, Erica Thomas, Brooke Tracy, Francis Whiting and Steven Woolf.

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Subterranean Scouts

Local troop enjoys two winter adventures

Scouts from Troop 425 in Chelsea didn't let the winter months slow them down.

Eight adult leaders and 13 Scouts spent Presidents Day weekend in February on a spelunking trip in caves in southern Indiana and Kentucky.

The trip included tours of Wyandotte Cave in Leavenworth, Ind., and Mammoth Cave in Kentucky.

Donning kneepads and helmets with lights, the Scouts spent seven hours underground at Wyandotte Caves, walking, crawling and climbing in an all-day underground adventure in a place where the temperature remains at 52 degrees.

The tourist brochure states that "extraordinary stamina" is required for the inexperienced caver and visitors with chests larger than 44 inches should not attempt Jones' Discovery.

In return for their efforts, the boys crawled past Worm Alley and Crawfish Springs, and saw the formations in Milroy's Temple.

"With the exception of the tour guides, several species of bats and blind cave crayfish, the Scouts were completely alone in the cave," Assistant Scoutmaster Mike Faeth said. "Despite getting coated with mud and the strenuous nature of the trip, everyone had a great time."

The troop stayed the night in a cabin heated by a wood-burning stove at Tunnel Mill Scout Reservation in Charlestown, Ind., before heading further south for a less strenuous tour of Mammoth Cave National Park in central Kentucky.

At more than 300 miles, Mammoth Cave is the longest cave in the world. Troop 425 Scouts walked four miles of the cave on a ranger-led Grand Avenue tour, allowing the boys to view several of the larger formations and the interesting creatures that inhabit the subterranean world.

"While all of us had a load of dirty laundry from the trip, most had a much greater appreciation of the natural wonders that can be found underground," Faeth said. "And all the Scouts are looking forward to another

trip next year."

In January, the troop held its first Baden Powell Mystery Campout in honor of the founder of Boy Scouts. Powell created the motto "Be Prepared."

Scout parents were allowed to open sealed envelopes containing the weekend itinerary after they were on the road.

The first mystery destination turned out to be Camp Miakonda in Toledo, Ohio, close to the recreation center of the University of Toledo, which provided a swimming pool, water slide, climbing wall, basketball and game room.

The next day's trip was to the U.S. Coast Guard station in Cleveland, where Petty Officer Enoch Eller, Marine Safety officer for the U.S. Coast Guard, welcomed them.

The group enjoyed a tour of the station and was allowed aboard a Great Lakes Ice Breaker, something rarely afforded to members of the public. Officers discussed environmental safety and civilian rescue.

Switching gears, the group then headed across the street to the Rock 'N' Roll Hall of Fame, where they spent two hours discovering the roots of today's music and enjoying the displays.

The group spent the night at the Lexington Bell Community Center, and enjoyed dinner at The Winking Lizard restaurant. Scouts met the lizard, the restaurant's mascot iguana, housed behind a glass wall.

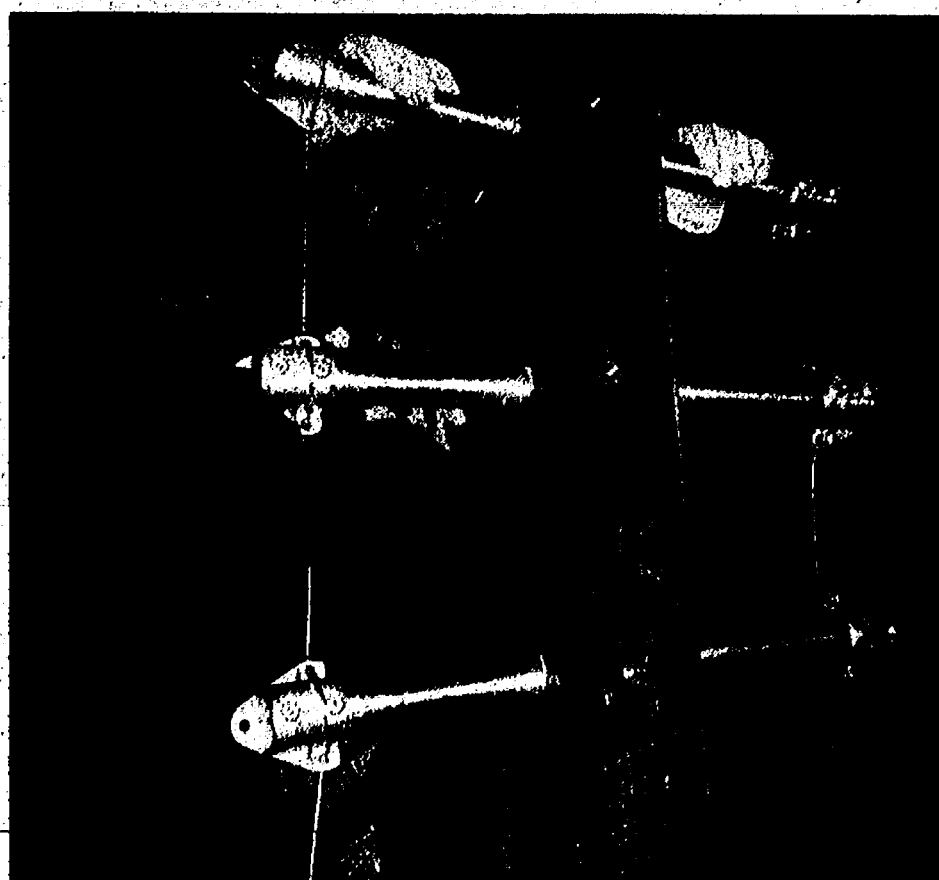
After dinner, they attended an indoor soccer game in which the Cleveland Crunch beat the Baltimore Blitz in a close game.

On the final day, the group enjoyed a special brunch provided for them at the Hard Rock Café before heading to the World's Largest Indoor Boat Show at the IX Center in Cleveland. There they explored 60-foot yachts, sailboats and speedboats.

"They saw live sharks on display and witnessed the phenomenal Twigg, the Water Skiing Squirrel," Assistant Scoutmaster Jack Long said. "Could life get any better?"



Abe Booth, a member of Chelsea Boy Scout Troop 425, finds it a tight squeeze as he crawls through Wyandotte Caves in Indiana. The troop spent a weekend in February spelunking in Kentucky and Indiana.



Boy Scout Darrin Livengood, a member of Troop 425 in Chelsea, prepares to enter Wyandotte Cave in Indiana on a recent caving trip.



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Marrin Holliday, 4, adds another egg to her Easter basket during Saturday's egg hunt at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Chelsea.

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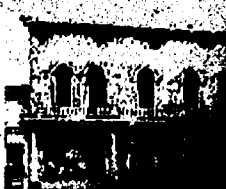
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Don began creating at an early age, participating in formal art instruction at age four. His early works included sculpture and painting. Today his passion is working with acrylics on large scale canvases. A native of the state of Michigan, his paintings evoke memories of summers spent on the water with family and friends.



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SCOUTS

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is a way for girls to develop leadership skills and to work in the community."

Mildred Conrad has the distinction of taking one troop from Brownies all the way to senior rank.

Most of her children, their children and her great-grandchildren are or were involved in Scouting.

From the late 1930s through the 1940s, Conrad led a California troop from Brownies to seniors.

From the 1940s through the 1960s, she served as a professional trainer for leaders. She remembers singing, games, crafts, hikes, nature studies, primitive camps, collecting items

for the war effort and making gifts as meeting activities.

Conrad grew up to become a homemaker, worked for a publisher and had a long professional career with the Girl Scouts as a trainer.

"Girl Scouting is an easy way to learn how to get along with others," she said. "Each girl has special gifts to help people. It's a great way to make friends and

learn the value of giving."

The five women joined with all the other Brownies and Girl Scouts to sing a song in memory of founder Juliette Low.

Nancy Neff is the Service Unit manager for Chelsea. She recruits Girl Scout leaders, helps them plan activities, and attends Girl Scout Council meetings.

"Our activities these days include a swim night, Thinking Day, mother-daughter bowling, and both a father-daughter hayride and a dance," Neff said.

For Scout leader Lynn Booth, 2002 will prove a memorable year. She led Cadette Troop 168 from 1994 to 1998. All the girls in that troop, including her daughter Phoebe, earned Silver Awards. All 18 of those girls will be graduating from Chelsea High School in June.

Both the Chelsea Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, as well as the Dexter Girl Scouts, received the Howard Holmes Humanitarian Award from Faith in Action last month, for their sterling work in Scouting for Food.

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"Girl Scouting is an easy way to learn how to get along with others."

— Mildred Conrad
Chelsea



Mildred Conrad (left), Elise Moretti, Ferne Brown, Dorothy Greer and Lois Glenn represent more than a century of Girl Scout affiliation. The five attended the 90th anniversary celebration of Girl Scouting March 11 at the First United Methodist Church of Chelsea.

ZION

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teaches French in Ypsilanti, produces a manila envelope stuffed with materials she's amassed on the Old Zion Parsonage.

She pulls out a list of previous property owners at 2905 Fletcher Road. It begins with the title "U.S. Government — Michigan Territory," and moves to the first inhabitant, Anthony and Angelina Rouse, who bought the property on Aug. 1, 1833.

Judging by the name, the first German immigrant to occupy the property was likely Michael Hinderer on Aug. 13, 1859.

That would be 30 years after the first three families came to Washtenaw County from southern Germany, Shackman said.

"Of course, they were farmers, so they wouldn't learn English as fast as others," she said.

Wenk, who still attends Zion Lutheran, remembers playing with the five children of former pastor Moritz Brueckner in the parsonage's living room. Brueckner, who served as the pastor at Zion from 1926 to 1954, was the first one to deliver sermons in English.

Wenk also recalls watching his

brother get married in the parsonage living room.

"Church weddings weren't heard of in those days," he said.

Zion Lutheran Church was organized in 1865 by former members of St. Thomas Lutheran Church, which reportedly split in a disagreement about the time of worship service.

The Neo-Gothic building at the northwest corner of Fletcher and Waters roads was dedicated in 1867, and later enlarged and remodeled in 1909.

"The men sat on one side and the women sat on the other," said Wenk of the old church, which closed in 1974 to move across the street. "Nobody came to church without a hat on in those days, even in summer."

The Lewises' home served as the Old Zion Parsonage from 1889 through 1954 or 1955, and was home to three Zion pastors: Heinrich Lemster, who served from 1888 to 1910, Ernst Thieme, 1910 to 1926, and Brueckner.

Wenk said Brueckner moved out in 1954 to retire to the old German schoolhouse.

Today the Lewises have set up bird feeders. Woodpeckers, robins and chickadees are regular visitors. Sandhill cranes and pheasants occasionally are seen.

The two live with three cats, which like to cozy up against the old oil-and-hot-water radiators that line the floorboards.

If their home is approved, the historic district would require the Lewises to consult with the county's historic district before undertaking any significant changes or demolitions to the house's exterior or surrounding property.

"(It's) imposing a lot of restrictions upon yourself," said Jack, noting he'll probably never be able to build a backyard Jacuzzi. "I don't think it's for everybody. But we're old-house people, and this house tells a story."

Paulus said the process of get-

ting the site nominated will take a year, maybe more. The study committee will send a preliminary report to the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission and then to the state. The County Board of Commissioners has the final say.

Ultimately, the Lewises say they are motivated by a desire to preserve a piece of history.

"I think that down the road, as you get development out this way, you'll have more people concerned about creating historic districts," Jack said.

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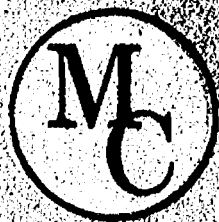
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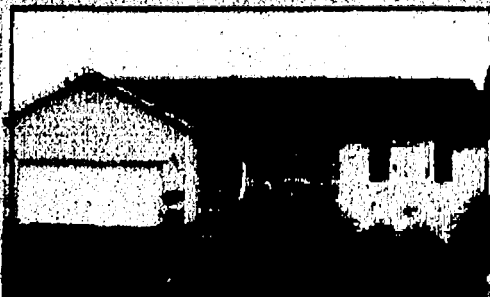
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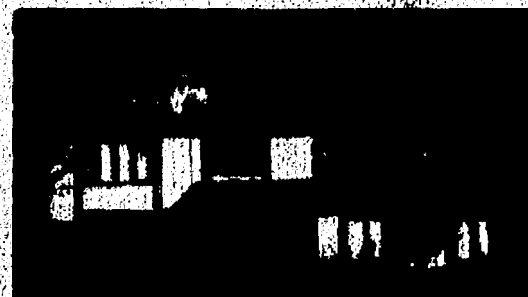
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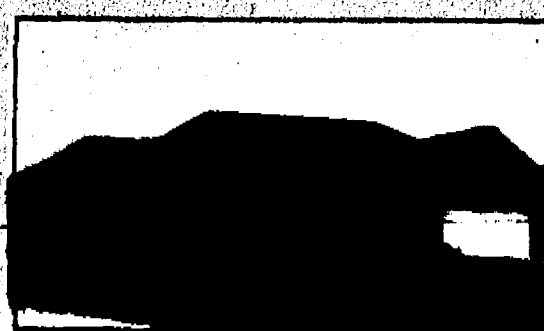
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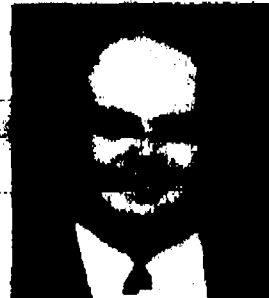


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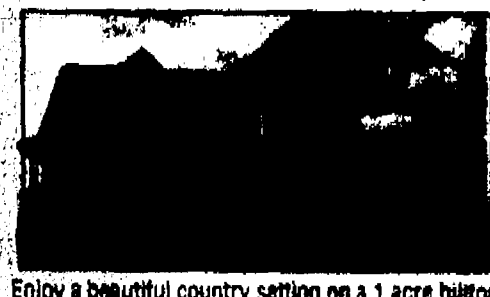


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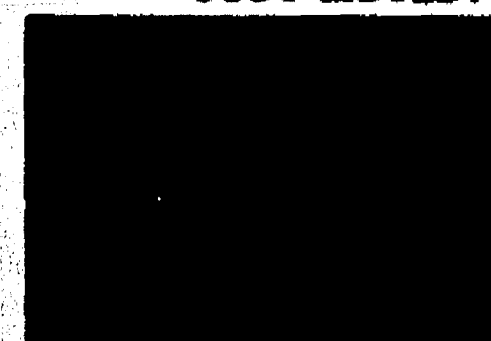
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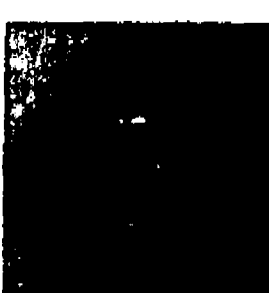


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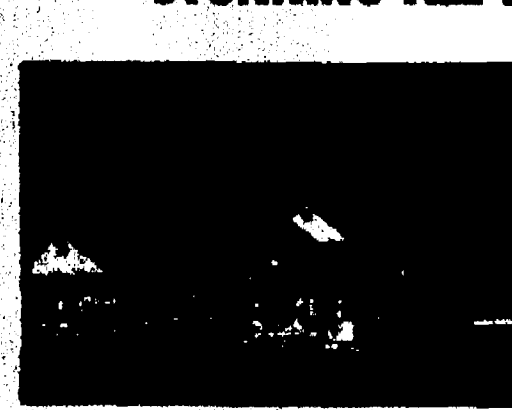


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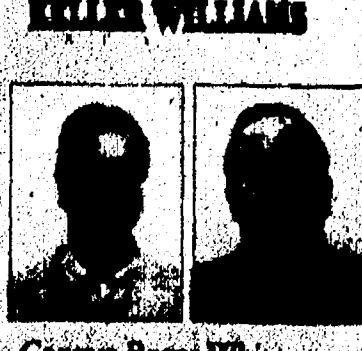
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Chelsea track competes at invite

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

The girls' track and field team at Chelsea High School competed in the Wolverine Invitational last Thursday, turning in some outstanding performances.

The meet, held at the University of Michigan track and field building, saw Bulldogs Karl Taylor, Danielle Montpetit and Savannah Hyssong each earn medals.

Taylor, the defending state shot put and discus champion, set her second meet record in a row, capturing the shot put with a throw of 40-feet, 10 1/2 inches.

Montpetit also set her second meet record of the season, winning the pole vault with a 10-6 mark. She bettered the old meet record by more than a foot.

Hyssong placed third in the 400 meters with a time of 1:03.1.

Another top performer for Chelsea on the day was the 3,200-meter relay foursome of Alice Gauvin, Shannon Kinner, Karl Moyle and Allison Sacks, who crossed the line in 10:49.3. Last season, the Bulldogs didn't

record a time as quick until late April.

In the 60-meter dash, Danielle Johnston did not qualify for the finals, but finished with a strong time of 8.6.

In the 800-meter relay, the Chelsea group of Jessica Percha, Caroline Shanks, Sarah Brigham and Johnston clocked a 1:57.7, barely missing a medal.

The team of Kim Gasieski, Lauren Williams, Hyssong and Moyle finished the 1,600-meter relay with a time of 4:31.9.

In field events, Brigham cleared 4-10 in the high jump, while Williams set a personal

best in the pole vault with a mark of 7-6.

In the long jump, Shanks leaped 13-11 1/2, while teammate Percha finished close behind with a 13-7 1/2.

"We were very pleased with our performances," said Chelsea coach Bill Bainton. "We could run two relays in some races and three people in the individual events, so we had 30 girls run and everyone performed well."



Bulldog senior Karl Taylor, shown with her first-place gold medal in shot put at last year's Division II state track and field finals, paced Chelsea at last week's Wolverine Invitational.

Photo courtesy of Cheri Smith



Chelsea senior All-State offensive lineman Joe Tripodi has been selected to participate in the 22nd annual Michigan High School All-Star Football Game Aug. 3 at Michigan Stadium. The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association sponsors the game.

Tripodi selected for All-Star game

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Joe Tripodi, an All-State offensive lineman from Chelsea, has been selected to play in the 22nd annual Michigan High School All-Star Football Game at Michigan Stadium Aug. 3.

The game features 88 of the best gridiron players in the state. The players are divided into East and West teams of 44 athletes apiece. Tripodi will suit up for the West squad.

The East team is comprised mainly of players from metro Detroit, while the West squad is made up of players from throughout the rest of the state.

The football extravaganza is traditionally held at Michigan State University's Spartan Stadium. But since MSU is in the process of switching from turf to natural grass for the upcoming season, the game was moved to U of M.

Last season, the East defeated the West 38-14.

Tripodi, 6-foot-4, 285 pounds, was selected All-State by the Associated Press, Detroit News and Detroit Free Press. He has signed to play football at Northwestern University.

A second area player chosen to participate in the game is Milan defensive backrunning back Aaron White, 5-11, 185, is also a talented basketball player recently earning All-State honors in that sport. He has yet to choose a college.

Other top players selected to compete in the game include Gabriel Watson, 6-4, 335, an offensive-defensive lineman from Southfield headed to Michigan; Drew Stanton, 6-4, 215, a quarterback from Farmington Hills Harrison headed to MSU; Tim Shaw, 6-2, 220, a running back from Livonia Clarenceville headed to Penn State; and Jeff Jenkins, 6-0, 197, a running back from Ann Arbor Huron headed to Notre Dame.

Champion gymnasts ready for states

Champion Gymnastics continues to shine throughout the state this season. The Washtenaw County-based club traveled to Battle Creek to compete in the Karaoke Classic March 23 and 24.

Champion had 12 gymnasts participating at Level 6 and six gymnasts at Level 5. In youth gymnastics, Level 10 is the highest standard an athlete can achieve.

Champion's Level 6 squad finished the meet with a score of 106.290 - its top mark of the year.

Individually for the Level 6 team, in the 7- to 10-year-old division, Ashley Bernard finished third on beam, seventh on bars, eighth on vault and seventh all around; Emily Black placed seventh on vault and eighth on bars; Christina Coffman finished first on vault, sixth on beam and eighth all around; Rebecca Pape ended up third on vault and floor, fourth on bars and beam and second all around.

In the 11-year-old age group, Mari Couason was third on vault, fifth on floor and seventh all around for Champion.

In the 12- to 14-year-old bracket, Carly Dalton finished eighth on beam; Kristie DeKarske was 10th on vault; Kristine Hintz was 10th on bars; Rachel Pape ended up eighth on bars and Cassie Vincke finished seventh on beam and 10th on floor.

In Level 5, Taylor Ford finished first all around with a score of 33.000 for Champion.

Teammate Catie O'Sullivan placed second all around with a score of 32.825, while Paige Cederna was third all around with a mark of 32.600 for Champion.

Also in Level 5 for Champion, Olivia Marks posted an 8.150 on floor, while Maria Trombley had an 8.325 on bars and Bailey Wandyg a 9.025 on vault.

Other highlights of the meet for Champion included Christina Coffman, with a 9.175 on vault, and Rebecca Pape, who posted a 9.225 on floor.

Champion also had three additional gymnasts qualify for the state meet. Marks and Wandyg, at Level 5, and Emily Bednar, at Level 6, each will be heading to the finals.

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Photo courtesy of Terri Marks

After competing at a meet in Battle Creek March 23 and 24, Champion Gymnastics' Level 5 squad paused for a moment. Members of the team include, front row, Olivia Marks (left), Catie O'Sullivan and Taylor Ford; back row, Brittany Holloway (left), Paige Cederna, Bailey Wandyg, coach Michelle Graf and Maria Trombley.

Heydlauff swims to Division III finals

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Chelsea's Jeff Heydlauff helped lead Hope College to a fifth-place finish at last month's NCAA Division III men's swimming and diving championship in Oxford, Ohio.

Heydlauff, a freshman, was a member of the Dutchmen's 200 freestyle relay team that finished fourth with a time of 1:24.14.

Junior Tim DeHaan, sophomore Chris Hamstra, and freshman Jeff Vroegindewey, joined Heydlauff on the All-American relay. First place through eighth place earns NCAA All-American status.

The same Dutchmen foursome earlier in the season set a new Hope College record with a 200 freestyle relay time of 1:23.49.

Winning the overall Division III title was Kenyon, Ohio, with 589 points.

Hope, which finished second in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, ended up

with 262 points. In sixth place was MIAA champion Kalamazoo, with 229 points.

Of the eight Dutchmen who qualified for the finals, only Heydlauff and Vroegindewey were freshmen.

Fifty-one teams competed in the finals, which were held March 21 through 23.

Last season as a Bulldog, Heydlauff led Chelsea to a fourth-place finish at the Class B-C-D state final. Individually, he placed third in the 50 freestyle, fifth in 100 freestyle and was a member of the third-place 400 freestyle relay team and the fifth place 200 freestyle relay squad.

Former prep teammate Andy Hack finished his freshman season at the University of Michigan recording a 52.09 in the 100 backstroke and a 1:50.65 in the 200 backstroke at the Big Ten championship in Bloomington, Ind., March 2.

Hack's times were both fourth.

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Tae Kwon Do tests students' mettle

It's not your typical weekend morning routine.

While most youngsters have just rolled out of bed or are plopped in front of the TV set inhaling their cereal, 21 junior students of Chelsea Tae Kwon Do prepared to test for their next rank last March 9.

The juniors, along with six adult classmates, joined together last month, forming one of the largest testing classes in Chelsea Tae Kwon Do history.

After an intense warm-up session, the testing began.

The white belts (the lowest ranking students) were up first, followed by other Tae Kwon Do colored belts, performing the techniques, routines, self-defense and sparring necessary to obtain their next rank.

The Korean martial art Tae Kwon Do primarily focuses on kicking. Students are expected to execute kicks with the speed

and power used in actual self-defense.

All of the Chelsea students who participated in the test last month, completed the necessary requirements for their next rank and were rewarded with a new belt color. The top-ranking students earned red belts.

A red belt is one step away from a black belt, the highest level. With continued training and practice, a person wearing a red belt can achieve black belt status in approximately one year.

To earn a black belt, a student must go before a group of masters, who are fourth degree black belts. The physically and mentally challenging black-belt test can last several hours.

Chelsea Tae Kwon Do students earn every belt they wear. Senior Master Michael Poxson, owner and instructor of Chelsea Tae Kwon Do, makes sure of that



Members of the Chelsea Tae Kwon Do testing class include, front row, Jake Riemenschneider (left), Ashley Tisdale, Heather Smallwood, Josiah York, Senior Master Michael Poxson, James Straub, David Straub, Vincent Kause, Eric Gabbard, Karl Fischer, Caleb York and Josiah Kaminski; middle row, Master Brenna Olaszewski (left), Ryan Smallwood, Eric Marzec, Noah Hermann, Mike Palluzzi, William Dark, Jared Gentz, John Marzec, Vinisha Rana; back row, Senior Master Robert Smith (left), Master Jenny Woodward, Dan Williams, A.J. Gileczek, Bob Tisdale, Jeff Kause, Darlene Straub, Mike York, Sherry York, Patrick Oates, Judy Gentz and Yolanda Johnson.

fact. While some instructors might promote students to keep them coming back, Poxson only advances those who are ready. See METTLE - Page 2-C



Senior Master Micheal Foxson directs students in technique and strategy as they spar.

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and skillful.

As a traditional martial artist, he said he sees the students as a direct reflection of himself. This applies not only to proper technique, but also to self-discipline, self-control and respect of self and others.

The benefits of traditional Tae Kwon Do were evident last October when Foxson tested for his sixth-degree black belt. With his successful testing, Foxson earned the title of senior master. Grand masters Edward and

Brenda Sell, the highest-ranking non-Korean Tae Kwon Do artists in the world, traveled to Chelsea to test Foxson.

Foxson demonstrated several high-ranking forms, advanced self-defense techniques and performed a choreographed fight over the TV remote with his wife, Joanne, who has a third-degree black belt.

Chelsea Tae Kwon Do, which includes several families training together, has been in operation for 20 years.

The group's current Do Jo is located in the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

CHAMPION

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The meet was hosted by Branch Gymnastics and included karate routines by the teams after the competition.

As a club, Champion, made up primarily of athletes from Chelsea and Dexter, has qualified 31 gymnasts for the state meet.

Qualifying at Level 5 for Champion are Kara Williams, Brittany Holloway, Camille Hanks, Caronae Howell, Cederna, Ford, Marks, O'Sullivan, Trombley and Wandys.

Making the grade at Level 6 for Champion are Ellissa Black, Mary Cebula, Sarah Gilley, Chelsea Larsen, Eleanor Stewart, Emily Black, Rachel Pape, Rebecca Pape, Christina Coffman, Bednar, Bernard, Cousanon, Dalton, DeKarske, Hintz and Vincke.

At Level 7, Cassie Coffman and Marissa Garza qualified for the state finals.

Rachel Marks, at Level 8, will be Champion's final gymnast



Photo courtesy of Karen Dalton

Champion Gymnastics' Level 6 team gathers after a recent meet. Members of the squad include, front row, Christina Coffman (left), Ashley Bernard and Rebecca Pape; middle row, Carly Dalton (left), Chelsea Larsen, Kristin DeKarske, Ellissa Black and coach Kristy Reske; back row, Eleanor Stewart (left), Rachel Pape, Kristine Hintz, Cassie Vincke, Sarah Gilley and Emily Black.

competing at the state meet.

The Level 5 state finals will be April 20 and 21 in Midland and May 4 and 5 in Saginaw.

The Level 6 state meet will be April 27 and 28 in Rochester Hills.

The Level 7 state champi-

onship will be May 18 and 19 in Kalamazoo.

The Level 8 state final will be April 20 and 21 in Bay City.

BOWLING

SENIORS FUN TIME - 3-27-02			Team 8		
Two Gals and a Guy	56	25	High Game: Alicia Lambdin, 135; Jon Gipeon, 121	0	84
Hitt or Miss	55	26	High Series: Rachel Abel, 292; Blake Lambdin, 251		
Steadies	62	29			
Squares	59	32			
Spare Ribs	53	38			
K & C	50	41			
Alley Cats	50	41			
Sand Baggies	48	43			
Good Times	43	48			
Pais	41	50			
New Millennium	41	50			
Keglers	39	52			
The New Kids	39	52			
Strikers	38	53			
Wild Ones	36	55			
Acas Wild	34	57			
Three Cookies	31	60			
Go Getters	24	67			
High Game: Ginny Wheaton, 212; Jerry Emery, 228			Palmer 5	36	55
High Series: Phyllis Harok, 543; Jerry Emery, 630			Assorted Drywall	27	64

CHELSEA SUBURBAN - 3-27-02			Team 9		
Chelsea Lanes	121	82	High Game: S. Riddle, 270	25	66
Schulz Enterprises	118	87	High Series: J. Navin, 470	23	68
3-D	116	87			
A & W	108	90			
Flow Bay	105	97.5			
Vogel's Party Store	105	98			
Creative Stitchery	104	99			
Chart Hills	102.5	100.5			
Gaul Painting	95	108			
James Bauer Construction	87	118			
R. G. Scrappers	85	118			
Veterans Cab	73	130			
High Game: Kathy Bakula, 234					
High Series: Deb Van Orman, 582					

CENTURY 21 NORTHSTAR - 3-27-02			Team 10		
Sisters	123	94	High Game: Dave Beever, 237	27	64
All Most	122	95	High Series: Edwin F. Greenleaf III, 682		
Out Claim	116	101			
The Acres	104	113			
50 Grand	97	120			
DeLoe Mamas	89	128			
High Game: Trish Hart, 222					
High Series: Trish Hart, 542					

BFS BUMPERS - 3-30-02			Team 11		
J & S	94	51	High Game: Kevin F. Greenleaf III, 682	27	64
Steele's	80	65			
Gavin	70	75			
K & C	58	87			
Abel	54	91			
E & M	45	100			
High Game: Shelby Reed, 91; Gavin Brasham, 85					
High Series: Jennie Mathison, 157; Brandon Steele, 103					

MID MORNING YOUTH MIXED - 3-30-02			Team 12		
Power Bowlers	141	62	High Game: Kayla Pepper, 161; Steven Pindza, 215	73	130
Red Hot Demons	103	100	High Series: Miranda Tiller, 412; Zac Zenz, 548		
Team Victory	101	102			
Dynasty Strikers	92	111			
Flying Dutchman	42	42			

FINALS

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best on the Michigan team. He ended up 24th in the 200 backstroke at the Big Ten finals.

The Wolverines finished second overall in the Big Ten.

At the NCAA Division I finals

at the University of Georgia's Gabrielsen Natatorium March 28 and 30, U of M finished ninth.

Last season, as a Bulldog, Hack was named Class B-C-D Swimmer of the Year after finishing first in both the 100 backstroke and the 200 individual medley.

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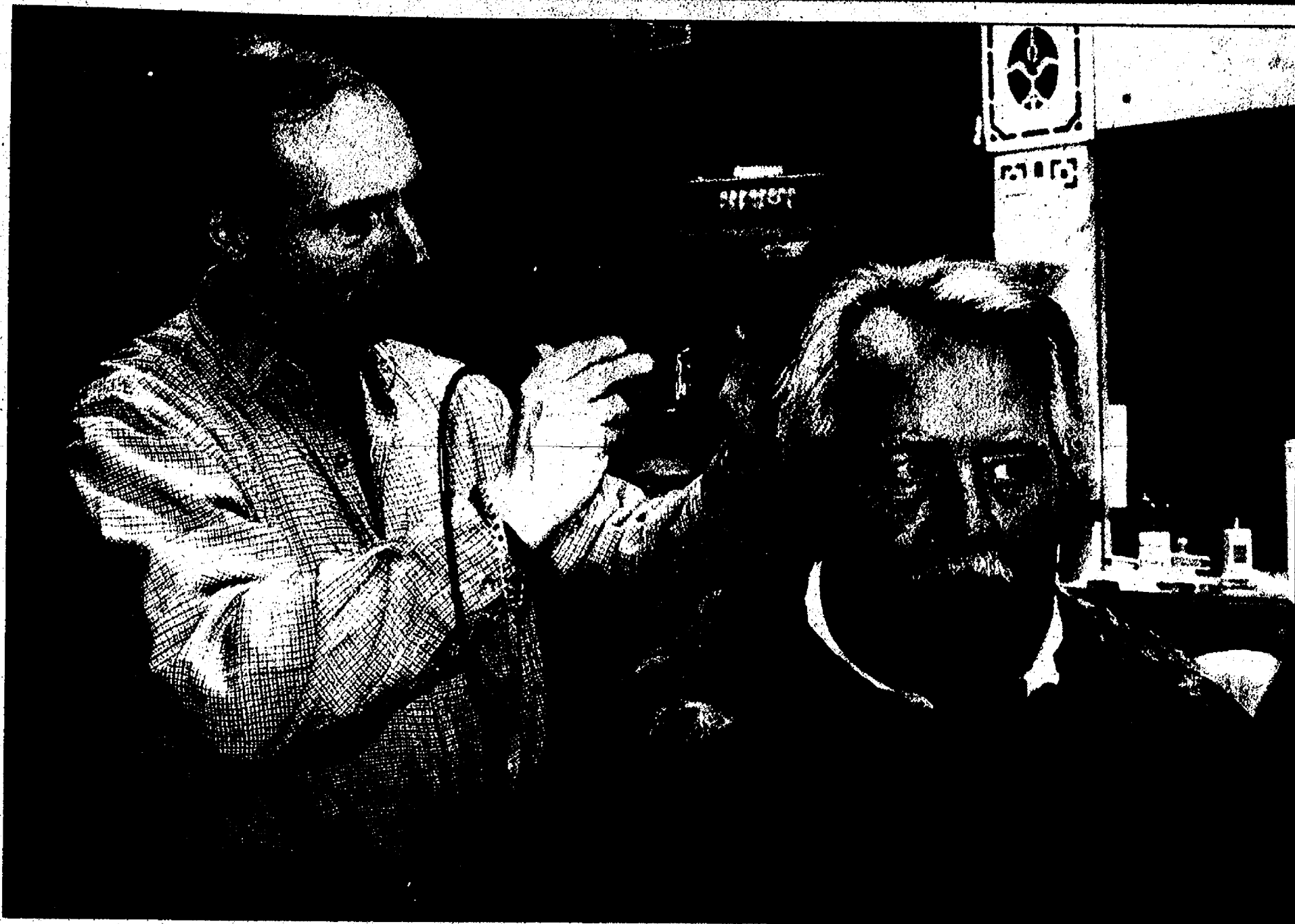
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BUSINESS



Jim Sylvia bought Jack and Sons Barber Shop in February after Doug Warren retired. Sylvia cuts Tom Broughton's hair at the West Middle Street barbershop.

Continuing a tradition

Livonia man buys longtime Chelsea barbershop

By Lisa Carolin
Special Writer

For several decades, Jack and Sons Barber Shop has been a mainstay on West Middle Street. While the shop is a familiar sight, there is a new face behind those trusty scissors.

Jim Sylvia bought the business in February after Doug Warren retired. Sylvia, who lives in Livonia, is excited to own a business in Chelsea.

"Chelsea Village has done a spectacular job of maturing," he said. "It's out of respect to the village that I decided to keep the name Jack and Sons Barber Shop."

Art and Carol Dills own the

Classic Hair Salon next door. They sold the business to Sylvia after purchasing it from Warren, who followed in the footsteps of his father, Jack Warren.

"We wanted to see the 72-year tradition of Jack and Sons Barber Shop continue," said Art Dills. "That's exactly what Jim Sylvia wants to do... even continuing the same name and continuing to be primarily a traditional barber shop."

Sylvia has worked as a barber in Westland and his clientele ranges from young children to older adults.

"The fade is my most popular haircut," he said. "I use a

straight razor to do it."

Sylvia has added some of his own decorations to the shop. His childhood toys, including cars, trucks, trains and a variety of animals fill the shelves. Photographs of tractors and wildlife, paintings of Chelsea, and the Declaration of Independence decorate the walls.

Sylvia is a good conversationalist on whatever topic the customer chooses to talk about, from history, psychology and the French language to what makes a good businessman.

Sylvia lives in Livonia but would like to move to Chelsea with his wife, Cathy, a registered nurse, and their two daughters,

12-year-old Christine and 8-year-old Allison.

"Chelsea seems like a good place to raise kids," he said. "There's a real sense of community here. I like the customers that I've gotten to know."

Sylvia grew up in Detroit and has been visiting the Chelsea area for the last 25 years. His father owns a cottage on Island Lake, and Sylvia has spent many weekends there fishing. That subject and, of course, barbering are two more topics he enjoys talking about.

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Council approves outdoor seating

■ Pedestrians still have 8 feet of sidewalk.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

Chelsea Village Council will allow Prego Italian Grill, 1120 S. Main St., to serve meals and drinks, including alcohol, on a newly constructed outdoor patio area on the restaurant's property, located near the Pamida Discount Center.

Frank Langmesser, the restaurant's manager, said the area already has been fenced off and will provide seating for 25 customers outside the building during warm weather.

The patio will be decorated with hanging plants and vines

to provide a curtain between the customer area and the public, he said.

The area provides 8 feet of sidewalk clearance for pedestrians. The fencing would be maintained by the restaurant and dismantled at the end of each outdoor-seating season.

Council Trustee James Myles recommended that there be an annual approval requirement, which isn't unusual for outdoor restaurant arrangements.

Prego restaurant opened last year in Chelsea and provides a range of Italian foods, wines and other beverages.

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Award named after late industrialist

America's Republican governors recently recognized the achievements of Gov. John Engler, honoring him with the newly created Heinz C. Prechter Republican Governors Leadership Award.

The award is named in honor of the late Downriver industrialist Heinz Prechter, former owner of the Heritage Newspapers, which included The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader. Prechter died in July

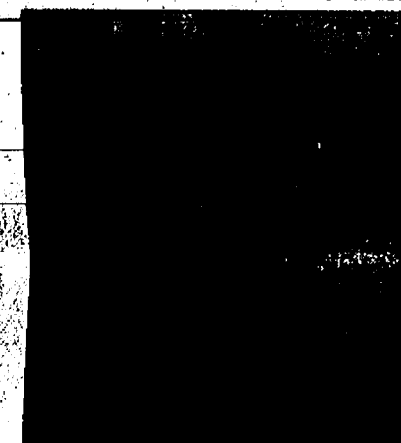
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"On behalf of the nation's Republican governors, I am pleased and proud to present the Heinz Prechter leadership award to my friend, Gov. John Engler," said Gov. John G. Rowland, chairman of the 27-member Republican Governors Association.

Engler, who was elected governor of Michigan in 1990 and re-elected in 1994 and 1998, served

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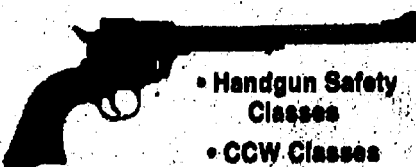


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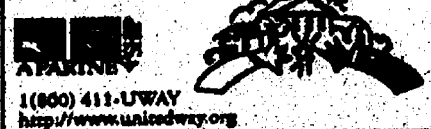


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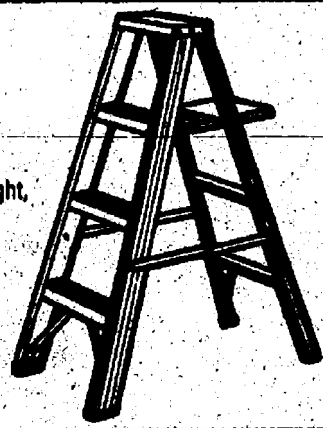
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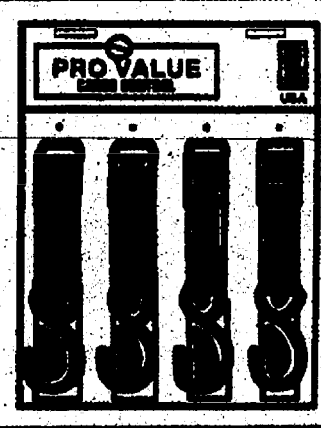
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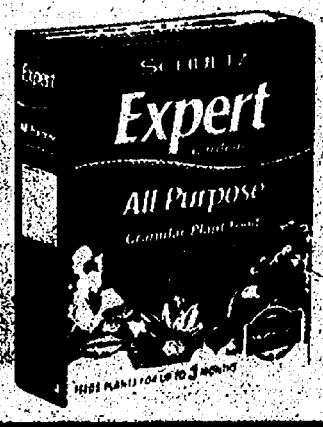
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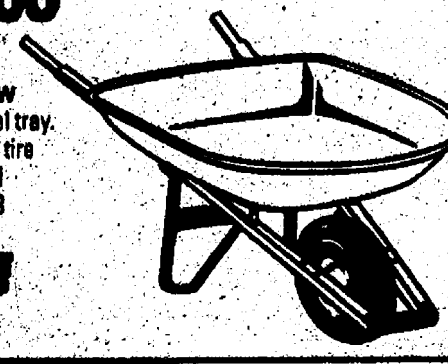
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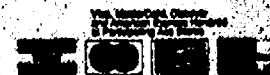
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Taxidermist Jim Krichbaum has just added another award to his collection. The Lima Township resident won the best in the state master's category for the large-mouth bass that he mounted.



Kudos

Taxidermist wins awards

By Lisa Carolin
Special Writer

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The Lima Township resident won the best in the state master's category for the large-mouth bass that he mounted.

The Michigan Taxidermist Association made the announcement last month in Grand Rapids.

Krichbaum also received an award recognizing him for 20 consecutive years of taxidermy competition.

It just so happens that a bass first inspired Krichbaum to get into taxidermy 36 years ago. He learned the skill through correspondence training at the Northwestern School of Taxidermy in Omaha, Neb., and started doing mounts for friends.

Krichbaum moved to Michigan from Indiana and worked at the Chrysler, now DaimlerChrysler AG, Proving Grounds. His taxidermy hobby turned into a business in the 1970s.

At the age of 12, Jim's son, Joel, started working with his dad and is now the owner of the business. Joel is also an award winner. He handles the work on deer, bear and other game, while Jim handles birds, fish and small animals.

"It is a joy to get up in the morning and come to work with my son," Krichbaum said.

Krichbaum retired from the DaimlerChrysler three years ago and puts in at least 40 hours a week doing taxidermy.

"I love doing it, so it's not difficult work," he said.

The display area at the shop is a wilderness menagerie that includes a life-size black bear,

wolf and coyote, as well as head mounts of caribou and deer. Pheasants, fish, deer, and turkeys are the most popular animals brought in. Krichbaum feels strongly that the hunter should eat what he kills.

"If you want to have fish mounted, wrap them in a wet towel and put them in the freezer," he said. "Any animal will spoil quickly."

The business is busy year round. Clients who have hunted in South Africa have been bringing in game, as well. They've brought in zebras, warthogs, wildebeests, kudus, leopards and impalas.

Krichbaum says that fish replications are getting popular.

"If you catch a large fish and don't want to eat it, measure its girth and length and throw it back," he said.

Jim uses plastic to recreate the fish into a realistic looking mount.

It takes about eight hours to mount a deer and a five to seven hours to mount a fish. They charge \$10 per inch for a fish mount and \$450 for a deer head. Ducks cost from \$180 on up, and a life-size mount for a black bear, for instance, costs \$1,000 or more.

The Krichbaums do work for the Department of Natural Resources, and have also provided props for the Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea and for University of Michigan plays.

Krichbaum is considering taking his prize bass mount to an international competition in Huntsville, Ala., in June.

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Farmer compiles agricultural guide

Lima Township farmer Gary Adams, a member of the Mill Creek Research Council, is gathering information from local farmers for a directory of agricultural products and services.

"Its purpose is to encourage our community to support local agriculture by purchasing farm products and services produced in our community," Adams said.

The Mill Creek Research Council was formed in the 1960s for the purpose of studying the proposed Mill Creek Reservoir Impoundment and Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Park. The council has generated information related to the proposal and released it to the public.

Since then, the council has remained active in supporting the study of the Mill Creek area and the generation of data useful to efforts to preserve agriculture and open space.

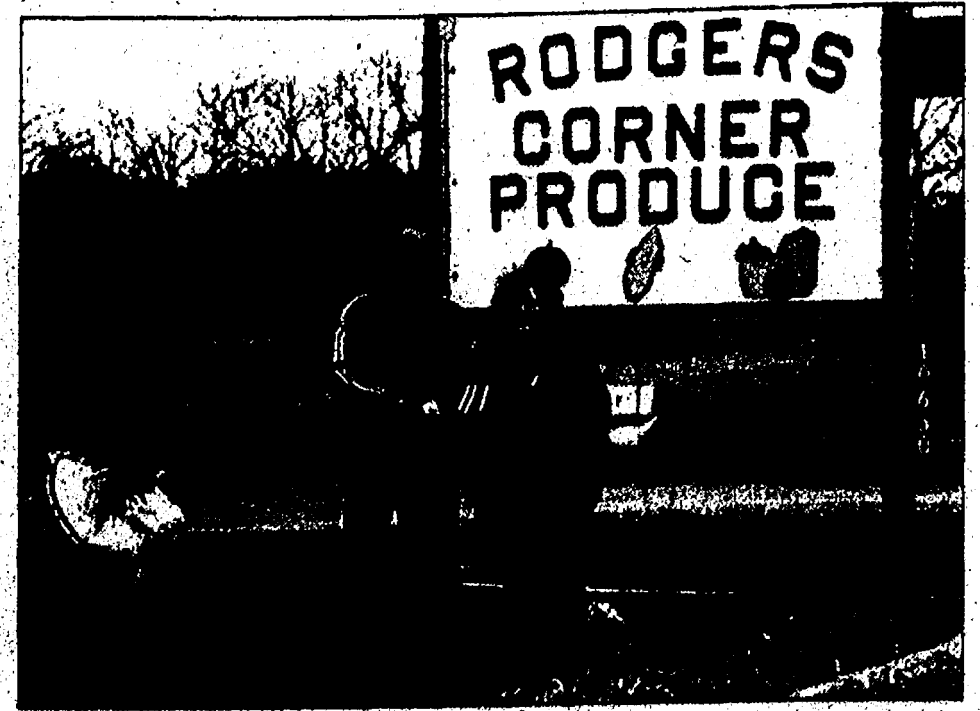
"There is wide-based community support for preserving our rural character and managing sprawl," Adams said. "Local surveys and community planning meetings have strongly supported this goal, and community developmental and master plans clearly state this goal."

For example, the Lima Township master plan states one goal is to "preserve agricultural lands and protect them from non-agricultural land uses."

Additional goals relate to protecting groundwater and wetlands.

One way to help preserve agriculture is to support the local farm community by purchasing farm products grown and raised locally, and using the services provided by the local farm community, Adams said.

The Mill Creek Research Council is gathering information from local farmers for a directory of agricultural products and services. He is pictured with local farmer Sue Rodgers, a familiar face at the Chelsea Farmers' Market.



Lima Township farmer Gary Adams, a member of the Mill Creek Research Council, is gathering information from local farmers for a directory of agricultural products and services. He is pictured with local farmer Sue Rodgers, a familiar face at the Chelsea Farmers' Market.

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as chairman of the Republican Governors Association from 1995 to 1998. Engler was at the helm of the organization after the Republicans won a majority of governorships in the 1994 elections.

Upon becoming chairman of the RGA in 1995, Engler assigned Prechter to the post of RGA finance chairman.

Prechter, a recognized leader and world-class entrepreneur, made perhaps his largest impact in the public arena — most

notably in the Republican Party.

"Heinz Prechter was well-known for his talent, energy and commitment to making a difference in his beloved adopted country," Rowland said. "During his tenure as chairman of the RGA, John Engler brought Heinz into the organization, and together, they did make a difference."

"John Engler has been a tireless worker in the cause to improve the quality of life in the state of Michigan, and at the national scene. It is fitting that he receive this recognition."

Engler called Prechter an inspiration.

"I am deeply honored to receive this honor in my good friend's name," he said. "Heinz was an impact player who made the difference at so many levels — on our leaders, our party, on industry, on Michigan, and on his community."

"The values Heinz lived and expressed — as an American patriot, a job provider, a loyal Republican and a family man — are an inspiration to us all. I am proud that Heinz was my friend, and that I knew him for as many

years as I did. I cherish his memory and will treasure this award for the rest of my life," Engler said.

The Heinz C. Prechter Republican Governors Leadership Award will be given annually to individuals who provide leadership that emulates the spirit and vision of Prechter.

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Marge and Bob Norton will open Curves for Women Monday in Chelsea. There is also a franchise in Dexter. The Nortons' facility is located at 1250 S. Main St.

Marketplace Advertising Feature

Curves for Women opens

By Lisa Carolin
Special Writer

Curves for Women has arrived in Chelsea. It's a new concept in exercise and one of the fastest-growing fitness franchises in the world.

Curves for Women is a 30-minute fitness and weight loss center that opens Monday at 1250 S. Main St. in Chelsea, just south of Old US-12. A franchise opened in Dexter this past winter at 8007 Main St. in the back of the Dexter Commerce Building.

Marge and Bob Norton are the owners of the Chelsea franchise and are very excited about their new business.

"Thirty minutes is something that everybody deserves for themselves," Marge Norton said. "This is a place you will want to go rather than feel you have to go."

The Curves circuit is a big circle of exercise equipment alternated with aerobic stations. You spend 30 seconds on one of the hydraulic resistance machines, then 30 seconds doing aerobic exercise. You continue moving around a big circle of equipment and mats three times for a total of 30 minutes.

There is an instructor to help and music is played to help motivate participants, who get both a cardiovascular and strength training workout.

"Three out of four women can obtain their weight goal

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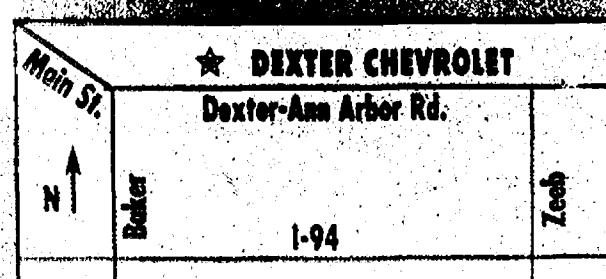
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In past years, more than 1,000 participants have attended.

This year, businesses will be joining colleges to provide students with information about career choices, internships and employment opportunities, as well as college information.

The inclusion of businesses is one of the methods being used to launch the Ann Arbor Public Schools commitment to Career Pathways as a means to provide all students with opportunities that will help them in choosing a career, regardless of their plans to attend college.

Career Pathways is a sequence of courses that provide both focus and attention to a student's learning experience. The pathways are six broad groupings of careers that share similar characteristics and whose employment requirements call for many common interests, strengths and competencies.

The Career Pathways are arts and communication; business, management, marketing and technology; engineering, manufacturing and industrial technology; health sciences; human services; and natural resources and agriculture.

For information about the career fair call 994-4438 or 994-2116, or visit the Web site at www.aaps.k12.mi.us.

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Community Donations

The Pamida Foundation gave a \$500 grant to St. Louis Center in Chelsea, part of \$689,980 that was raised last October by Pamida's first charitable golf outing. The money will be used for new quarters at the center, which is accepting women for the first time in 42 years. Above, St. Louis Center Director Steve Daut (left) looks on as Chrystal Impola, Kevin Booker, Angel Medina and Daniel Guenther hand the check to the Rev. Joseph Rinaldo of the St. Louis Center. Paula Rode (at left) president of the Chelsea Education Foundation, accepts a check for \$500 from Dennis Nold of Pamida in Chelsea. The education foundation will use the \$500 grant to fund ongoing programs.

Stockbridge has new doctor

Chelsea Community Hospital recently announced that Dr. Tonya Ann Sexton will be taking over the practice at Family Medicine of Stockbridge.

Sexton succeeds Dr. Linda Hammond, who resigned March 28 to take a position in Dundee.

Sexton comes to Chelsea from the McLaren Medical Management Group in Grand Blanc, where she worked for the past four years.

She completed her family medicine residency program at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. She received her medical degree from the Nova

Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine in North Miami Beach, Fla.

Sexton, who lives in Gregory, will begin seeing patients on a very limited basis in mid-April. A date for her to begin full-time status has not been determined yet.

Until she can be in the office full time, Family Medicine of Stockbridge patients can receive care at two area practices

that have offered interim support: Internal Medicine Specialists of Chelsea and Pinckney Family Care in Pinckney.

Current patients needing medical care may call Family Medicine of Stockbridge at 1-517-851-9522 and staff will direct them to the practice with the most availability.

Family Medicine of Stockbridge is located at 4525 M-52 in Stockbridge.

CURVES

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without a diet," said Bob North. "Curves for Women is about raising your metabolism and building up your lean tissue so that you can handle more calories."

Once a month, participants are weighed and measured and given a printout about their weight and inches.

Curves for Women started six years ago and there are now 1.2 million members and 3,200 locations across the United States. The first 100 people who sign up at the new Chelsea location will be entitled to a 66 percent discount at a cost of \$49.95, plus \$29 a month.

Marge and Bob Norton live in Lapeer and would like to relocate to

the Chelsea area. Bob owned a tire business and Marge worked at the GM Tech Center. They have a daughter in Lapeer, a son and daughter-in-law in Ann Arbor, and three grandchildren.

Deb Winter is the owner of the Dexter franchise and says that the fitness center has had a great response from the community since opening in December.

"Curves for Women is a wonderful concept," she said. "It affords women an effective way to get fit and healthy."

Winter worked in rehabilitation for the St. Joseph Health Care System before opening the franchise. She says that it is refreshing to make a difference in people's lives before they need medical help.

Winter also owns Curves for Women locations in Milan and in Saline.

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Council is helping the effort by creating, maintaining and publishing a directory of available products and services. The Chelsea Farmers' Market is also sponsoring the directory.

The directory will advertise agricultural products such as vegetables, fruits, dairy, meat, eggs, honey and farm animals

grown or raised and available for retail purchase within Lima, Dexter, Lyndon and Sylvan townships, Adams said.

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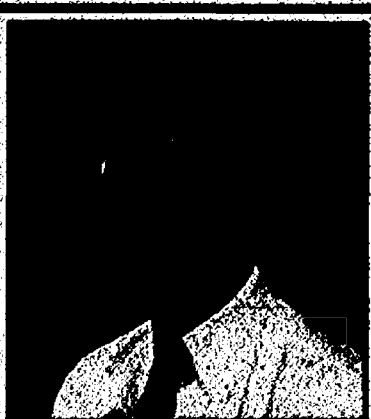
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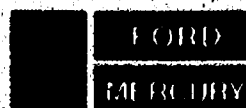
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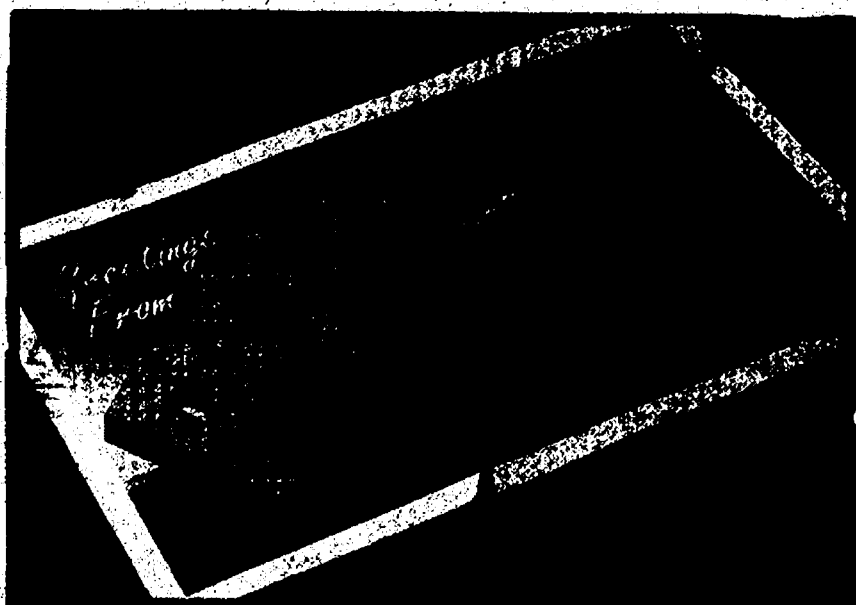
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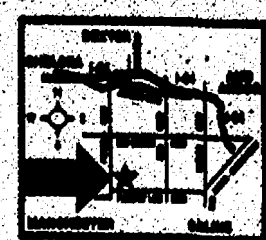
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Dancers' Collage

Youth Dance Theatre to perform in Chelsea April 14

The Youth Dance Theatre of Michigan is hosting its annual production of Dancers' Collage 3 p.m. April 14 at the Chelsea High School auditorium, 740 Freer Road, in Chelsea.

The company will host several area dance studios and their companies, as well as local musical groups, for an afternoon of artistic expression by area residents.

Guest performances feature a tap number choreographed by Sara Randazzo for The Lowell Street Boys, a group of 20 young boys.

The Ypsilanti Area Dancers, affiliated with Randazzo studios, will present two ballet pieces choreographed by Marjorie and Tony Randazzo.

Two ballet works will be performed by students from the Pam Rutledge Ballet Studio.

A solo ballet piece performed

under the direction of John Chiapuris and a pointe number choreographed by Camilla Chiapuris will be performed by dancers from The Ann Arbor Ballet Workshop.

In the non-dance venue, the dancers will be joined by members of The Chelsea House Orchestra and The Greenhills Jazz Combo.

The Youth Dance Theatre dancers will perform a ballet to the music of Scott Joplin, choreographed by Karen Keith and a modern piece choreographed by Gena Buhler, in addition to their featured mini full-length ballet.

Featured this year is the Youth Dance Theatre's performance of the story ballet "The Five Dancing Princesses," an original work adapted from the fairy tale "The Twelve Dancing Princesses."

This collaborative work draws

on both acting and dancing skills and uses 47 dancers to bring to life a whimsical version of a traditional fairy tale.

"Bringing to life a mini full-length work in the scant space of 10 weeks is both difficult and rewarding," said Wendi DuBois, artistic director. "The audience is certain to be rewarded by the enthusiastic efforts of these talented young dancers."

In addition to dance and musical performances, a silent auction to benefit The Youth Dance Theatre will be held in the high school commons area. It will start at 2 p.m. and continue during the performance intermission.

General admission tickets are available at Chelsea Pharmacy and Dancers Boutique in Ann Arbor.

For more information, call 475-3070 or visit the Web site www.youthdancetheatre.org.



Dancers from the Youth Dance Theatre in Chelsea will be performing in a Dancers' Collage April 14 at Chelsea High School. Pictured kneeling are Korry Chavie (left), Leah Gerstenlauer, Ashley Collins, Alyssa Alger and Alexis Peterson. Standing are Kathleen Wright (left), Lisa Locker, Sara Hughes, Elizabeth Flahie, Toni Zyburt and Gwynne Beissel.



Get Cracking

Members of North Lake United Methodist Church celebrated Easter with the 126th annual egg supper, which was held March 22. Funds raised are used for scholarships to send children to camp. Pictured are chefs Floyd Boyce (left), Dan McGuire and Ray Worden.

Garden club offers scholarships

The Chelsea Area Garden Club will offer three scholarships to children ages 9 through 11 participating in the 2002 Junior Master Gardener Class offered by Washtenaw County MSU Extension.

Applicants must live in Sylvan, Sharon, Lima, Lyndon or Dexter townships.

Parents and participants will explore gardening topics in a casual atmosphere.

Two separate classes are scheduled to run from 8:30 to 8:30 p.m. on either Tuesdays or Thursdays from May 7 to June 13. Classes are held at Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor.

The cost is \$30, which includes a personal copy of the Junior

Master Gardener reference booklet and materials for all class projects.

Applications and an informational flier are available at the Washtenaw County MSU Extension office located at 705 N. Zeeb Rd., in Ann Arbor. All applications, with payment, must be received by 5 p.m. Monday. Call 997-1878 for more information.

Youth wishing to apply for a scholarship should send a copy of their completed application and a letter explaining why they are interested in the Junior Master Gardener program and how they hope to volunteer. The letter should be sent to Sandra Shapiro, 18213 Farnsworth Road, Stockbridge MI 49285-9204.

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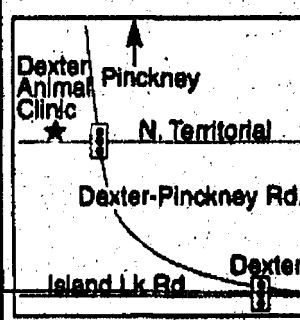
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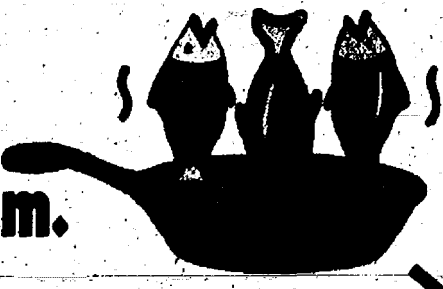
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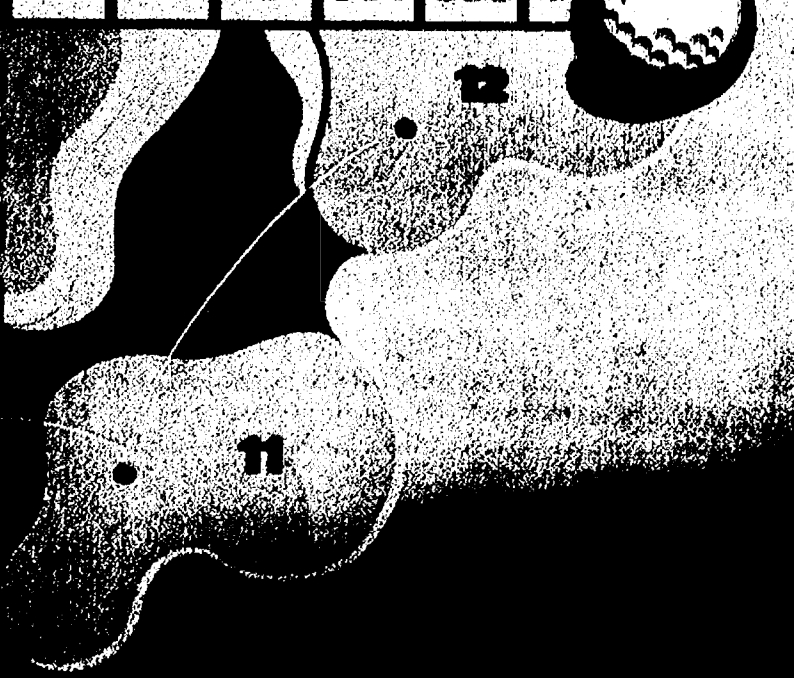
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