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Getting in tune

Music programs introduce students to a variety of fun, experiences

The following is a look at the different programs students in fifth and sixth grade can select from when it comes to music in Chelsea schools:

The band

Written by Rick Catherman and Jim Otto

The Chelsea fifth and sixth grade band experience provides students with some of the most exciting and important opportunities for young students. The skills they learn and the habits they establish, provide the foundation for success not only in music learning and performance, but other disciplines, for the rest of their school careers, and throughout their life.

I remember the "magic" of my beginning band experience as a young student myself. Opening the instrument case for the first time, seeing that shiny new cornet, and learning for the first time how to make a sound, I know that for my parents, and I'm sure all parents, that the first sound wasn't perhaps the most pleasing - but with my continued work (and my parents continued support and patience) those sounds became more and more enjoyable every day. I couldn't have imagined at that early stage in my life that my first band experience would provide me with the opportunity to pursue music as a professional musician and teacher, and I didn't continue with band throughout school with that as a goal. I just knew that for some reason I was drawn to the band, and because I had great teachers that gave me the skills and inspired me with a passion to work toward excellence not only in my music, but in everything that I did.

My goal is for every fifth and sixth grade band student to have a similar opportunity that I did as a young student. We work to build both strong



Jim Otto conducts a full-band rehearsal.



The fifth-grade orchestra plucks their strings with director Jed Fritzmeier looking on.

musical skills, and lifelong skills that will benefit them in all they do. Research suggests that children who learn and study music achieve at a higher level in other academic areas, and do better on standardized tests than student who don't study music. In Chelsea we're proud that many of the highest achieving academic students are also student-musicians, many of whom are band members. These are extra-musical

benefits that our students acquire; however our main goal is for students to develop strong musical skills, and to enjoy their band experience - In short, we want them to have fun with their learning. Our band members work hard - even at the early stages, but learning to make music is a rewarding experience too. Working with classmates and friends toward a common goal, and achieving that goal in performance is

extremely rewarding - even for a young musician.

Our 5th and 6th Grade Band members learn everything from how to be responsible for and assemble the instrument, to producing a characteristic sound, to note and rhythm reading, and fundamental music terminology, theory, and history. The most exciting and fun part however culminates

PLEASE SEE MUSIC/7-A

Schools graded 'clean' in audit

By Crystal Hayduk
 Special Writer

Mark Perry, from Yeo and Yeo in East Lansing, examined both the District Financial Statement for the year (2008-2009) and the Compliance Audit on Federal Funds, and told the Chelsea School District Board of Education Monday evening that his opinion was that both were "clean and unqualified." "Any gyrations in the fund balance are due to the environment," Perry said. He went on to recommend that the district consider sinking-fund investment alternatives other than the current saving's accounts which pay minimal returns. As a result of the recommendations, Teresa Zigman, executive director of business and operations, will be researching safe and protected possibilities.

Calendar

Today: Parent/Teacher conferences at elementary and middle schools from 4:45 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday: Election Day

Wednesday: Parent/Teacher conferences all schools - No school for students

Monday, Nov. 9: Board meeting at Pierce Lake Elementary at 7 p.m.

District cash flow numbers need to be updated frequently to reflect the Oct. 20 cuts in state aid and to reflect a mid-year cut of \$165 per student. The Michigan Municipal Bond Authority and 60 and 90 day

PLEASE SEE SCHOOLS/5-A

Fisher's family members impressed with mural

By Lisa Allmendinger
 Heritage Newspapers

The look on the faces of painter George Harold Fisher's family told the story.

Monday, Fisher's daughter, FayAnn Resnick, and grandson, Joe Resnick viewed "Way of Life" for the first time since its restoration and installation at the new Chelsea Post Office.

"It looks the way my father did it," said FayAnn Resnick, adding "They did a beautiful job; it looks so elegant."

She said that vibrant colors were important to her father

who earned \$560 to paint the mural in his Detroit home, which was a large sum of money during the Depression.

Over the years, those colors had dulled as the canvas mural collected dirt and grime in the old post office building.

The mural, titled "Way of Life," depicts a father, mother and child at rest in the foreground, with two apple trees in the background and a grinding stone and spinning wheel on either side.

PLEASE SEE MURAL/5-A



Grandson Joe Resnick and his mother, FayAnn Resnick, got their first look at the newly restored "Way of Life" mural.

Chelsea City Election 2009

Cheri Albertson: 'We are stewards of our community'

The Chelsea Standard mistakenly omitted the answers for Chelsea City Council member Cheri Albertson, who is seeking another term on the Council, in the Oct. 22 edition. The following are her answers to our political Q&A. For all of the candidate's responses, log onto www.chelseastandard.com.

Jason Lindauer is the only registered candidate for mayor while there are five candidates vying for three potential open seats on the Chelsea City Council on Nov. 3. Frank Hammer, Cheri Albertson and Kent Martinez-Kratz are council incumbents. Ann Feeney is stepping aside as mayor to seek a council seat and Richard Steele



Albertson

is a challenger, in addition to formerly being Village President. Once Lindauer ascends to the mayoral post the council will vote to appoint a replacement to finish out his term, which ends in 2011.

CANDIDATE NAME: Cheri Albertson

ELECTED OFFICE SOUGHT: Council member

POLITICAL AFFILIATION: As stated in the City Charter for The City of

Chelsea, the City Council shall remain nonpartisan

OCCUPATION: Clinical Social Work

EDUCATION:

B.S. - Central Michigan University

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OFFICE: City of Chelsea council member

CURRENT PUBLIC AND

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Critical Incident Response - community and organizational, Washtenaw County, western and Downriver Wayne County

KEY ISSUES: Fiscal responsibility while planning for current and future needs of the City, its residents, and

business owners; city government that is open, accessible, and responsive to citizen and business needs and concerns.

SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL FOR ADDRESSING EACH OF THOSE ISSUES: Continued and careful oversight of City functions while remaining aware and proactive in City planning. As City Council members, we are stewards of our community with an unwavering responsibility - to consistently and without bias, focus our efforts in the best interests of each and every person, organization, and business, within this special place we call Chelsea.

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Dine & Dash aids hospice

More than 100 people attended the fundraiser

By Daniel Lai
Heritage Newspapers

The second annual Dine & Dash fundraiser benefiting the Arbor Hospice Foundation was considered a huge success Friday.

More than 212 patrons filled the banquet room at the Travis Pointe Country Club to capacity.

"We're happy to bring Dine & Dash back to Ann Arbor for a second year," said Heidi Grix, executive director of The Arbor Hospice Foundation. "Last year's event was a great fundraiser for us, and this year has been even better."

Gloria Brooks, president and CEO of the Arbor Hospice Foundation, said she was impressed with turnout for the event.

"I'm absolutely thrilled," she said. "This is a very pleasant surprise, especially with the poor economy right now."

Brooks said the fundraiser is the foundation's largest annual event.

"It brings in significant revenue to benefit our grief support services and pediatric hospice program," she said.

Arbor Hospice is currently helping eight children enrolled



Photo by Daniel Lai
Ann Arbor resident Tom Weber looks over the five auction table before the Arbor Hospice Foundation's second annual Dine & Dash fundraiser.

in the pediatric hospice program.

"We coordinate medical care, emotional and spiritual care, grief support and help take care of the family 13 months after a loved one dies," Brooks said. "A lot of the services we provide would not be possible without the kind generosity of the community."

Dine & Dash participants paid \$350 to \$500 per couple to attend the event. The ticket guaranteed dinner, as well as a chance to "dash" for a piece of art or jewelry valued at \$250 or more.

"All of the art was donated by local artists," Marylen Obermen said. "It's beautiful. I love it."

Ann Arbor resident Tom Weber said this was his first year attending the event.

"I certainly support the hospice program. I am mostly here for that," he said. "I was invited to attend and it's a very nice venue."

Samantha Kelman, an undergraduate business major at the University of Michigan, and Katie Howard, an undergraduate sociology major, said they heard about the fundraiser through a mutual friend.

"Our friend is involved with Arbor Hospice," Kelman said.

Howard said she is a former volunteer for the nonprofit.

Barbara Lamparter, a cardiovascular surgeon from Berlin, said she attended the event after hearing about it from her sister, Ines Fitzpatrick.

"My sister lives here in the United States and enjoys the golf club a lot," she said. "I think it's important to help out with a cause like this to help ease other people's suffering."

Grix said she is looking forward to next year's event.

"We are a not-for-profit hospice and events like Dine & Dash are so important to our organization," Grix said. "We're able to engage the community and showcase local artists who so kindly support us, while raising money to help maintain our day-to-day services for our patients and their families."

Arbor Hospice serves Ann Arbor and communities in Washtenaw and western Wayne counties with offices in Ann Arbor, Plymouth and Woodhaven.

The Arbor Hospice Foundation provides philanthropic support for programs and services provided to more than 7,000 individuals, including patients, their families and community members served by Arbor Hospice.

For more information, visit www.arborhospice.org or call 1-888-992-2273.

Daniel Lai can be reached at 428-8179 or dli@heritage.com.

Dinner, fashion show to support local hospital

Organizers of the fifth annual Fashion Show benefiting the Family Advisory Board and families of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at St. Joseph Mercy are promising a night of food, fashion and fun.

The event starts at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 12 at Washtenaw Community College in the Morris Lawrence Building. The evening will begin with dinner and a silent auction. Following the dinner and silent auction, a fashion show will feature success stories from the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit—babies who were born too early or sick who have grown up to be healthy children.

The event is hosted by the St. Joseph Mercy NICU Family Advisory Board, a group of parents who have had children in the NICU and who are committed to making it a better place for families in the future. The fashion show is the Family Advisory Board's major fundraising event of the year.

Money raised from sponsorships, silent auction, ticket sales, story boards and donations is used to fund several programs, including monthly pizza nights, Educate and Create, parent-to-parent training and support, holiday gifts for NICU families and the annual NICU reunion.

Tickets to the fashion

show event are \$25 and can be purchased in advance by calling Christine Gardner at 878-2236 or by e-mailing candegardner@charter.net. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door.

Story boards, which can include pictures of your child as well as any information you want to share about your story, are available for \$130. The story boards will be displayed throughout the lobby as a reminder of the role of the NICU and the impact it has on families. Anyone interested in purchasing a story board may contact Greta Meyers at gretamiselkyte@hotmail.com, or 260-3328.

To donate big-ticket items to the silent auction, contact Shannon Luhrs at skyyshan@comcast.net or 482-1528.

The Family Advisory Board is still in need of corporate and individual or family sponsors. Sponsorship amounts range from \$250 to \$5,000. Depending on the level of giving, sponsorships may include tickets to the event, acknowledgment in publications and other advertising incentives.

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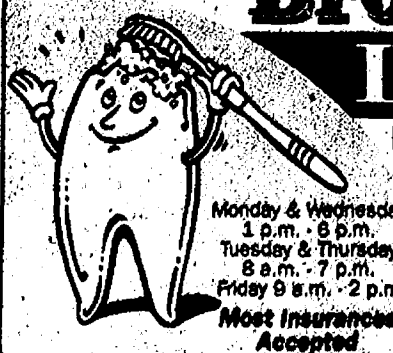
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CHELSEA BRIEFS

For Barb

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Tickets on sale

Chelsea High School presents Rogers & Hammerstein's "Cinderella" Nov. 12-14 at CHS Auditorium. Tickets are on sale now at Chelsea Pharmacy. There will be a special ticket sale at the Chelsea State Bank (downtown location) from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday. Stop by and see us while trick-or-treating!

New face of Scouting

On Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., the Girl Scout troops of Chelsea will be at Polly's Country Market for the now quarterly Scouting for Food drive. In previous years, the Scouts in Chelsea would go out and collect food for Faith in Action door-to-door once in the spring. With the need tripling, more than an annual drive was needed. Chelsea Scouts are meeting the challenge with this new approach, which will also help target donations to specific needs of that month.

This new face of Scouting for Food has already been done by the local Venture Crew 412 (a co-ed branch of Boy Scouts of America), and the Boy Scouts of Chelsea, and the Cub Scouts will be seen at future drives early next year. Look for Scouts with a suggested shopping list as you shop Nov. 7 and for the collection cart at the end of your shopping - everything gets delivered that day.

Thank you to Polly's and all the Scout units for helping Faith in Action feed our neighbors.

Vendors welcome

Chelsea Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is looking for sellers of gently used children's clothing, toys and games, including infant and maternity wear, for their annual Mom to Mom sale being held Saturday, Nov. 7 at the First United Methodist Church on Park Street. If you would like to rent a table, the cost is \$20 and tables can be split between sellers. Contact Linda Dobry at 424-2859 or slal13@yahoo.com for more information.

Special dinner

On Nov. 7, Terry B's in Dexter will be celebrating and supporting a remarkable young Dexter resident, Laurence Carolin, 15 years old who is battling an inoperable malignant brain tumor. Recently, he selflessly and generously requested that the Make-A-Wish Foundation use the money originally dedicated to funding his desired trip as his personal donation to the United Nations Foundation to fight against extreme poverty and suffering in Africa.

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Ladies Day

The fourth annual "Ladies Day: Wine, Women and Shopping" will be held Saturday, Nov. 14 in downtown Chelsea. Participating stores will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., offering edible treats, door prizes and fabulous activities and demonstrations.

Activities planned for the event include free antique appraisals, a special exhibit of fine crafts from four local artisans, a demonstration on forcing holiday flower bulbs, free

samples of Cherry Republic food and more. Enter a free drawing to win a basket filled with great gifts from local businesses. A wine tasting will be available at Seitz's Tavern. Brochures with event listings will be available on the day of the event. Look for red and white balloons at participating stores.

Meet Bill

The Chelsea District Library invites the public to a reception to welcome new Director Bill Harmer. The event will be from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7 in the McKune Room. Refreshments will be provided.

'Around Town with Linda'

"Around Town with Linda" will feature John and Gloria Mitchell of Staffan-Mitchell, beginning today. "Around Town with Linda" features interviews conducted

by the local host Linda Meloche. The show airs daily on Channel 18 at 7:30 a.m., noon, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

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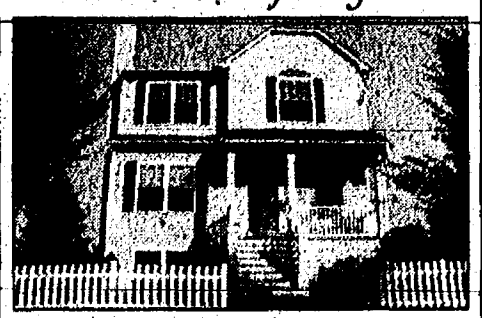
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Polly's turns 75

Grocer builds success on customer service and sense of community

By Sean Dalton and
Krystle Dunham
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The Kennedy family's Polly's Food Service is a newcomer to Washtenaw County, but the Jackson-based family-owned and operated business tries to serve those in Chelsea, Dexter and Saline the same way they've been treating customers for 75 years.

The Kennedys treat the folks in their new communities as if they're old friends and neighbors from the Jackson neighborhoods they grew up in.

"Jackson is our home, but here in Chelsea we try to treat it the same way," said Corey Kennedy, store manager of the Polly's Country Market in Chelsea. "We try to sponsor as many things as we can. You'll see almost every weekend a football team, a baseball team or cheerleaders out front doing something (to raise money or garner support)."

Corey learned early on that the community in which the store is located is what makes a Polly's grocery store successful. He learned this like any Kennedy who holds a position with the family-business did — working early on in life on the ground floor of a grocery store.

A tradition

Corey began working in the family store during his junior year of high school, starting as a dairy clerk and bouncing around from one department to another handling every responsibility and experiencing the realities that Polly's employees have to come to grips with on a daily basis.

Even cutting the grass had to be done.

"One summer, I worked as a landscaper," he says. "It really helps you as a manager because you know what everyone is dealing with and what they're capable of. Many of our big-box competitors hire managers right out of college and they've never worked the floor. They just look at numbers on a spreadsheet and don't really know what's going on."

It's a common-sense combination of good business practice and family philosophy that goes back through the Kennedy ancestry to Frederick Augusta Kennedy, who came to Jackson in 1865 as a 15-year-old soon-to-be grocery clerk.

Frederick got his start in the business at Hobart & Boulton. From his starting capacity, which paid just \$2 each week, he would buy out his former employer in just 13 years and rename the store FA Kennedy — weighing anchor and setting sail on a long voyage into the retail business from that first location on 125 N. Jackson St. in Jackson.

Retail remained in the Kennedy family's genes even after Frederick sold the store to Fred Finch in 1907. It now exists as Casler Hardware.

At the time of the sale, Frederick's only child, Frank Aloysius Kennedy, was only 4 years old. But like his father, he would rise up through the retail ranks from the humblest of duties to ultimately opening another chapter in the Kennedy family history.

"My grandfather started out his retail career as a window dresser for Jacobson's and later he managed Kinney shoe stores," said Kim Kennedy. "He opened the first Polly's Food Service in 1934."

A family business

Kim is one of 10 siblings now running one of the many facets of the Polly's Food Services operation.

Frank's Finer Foods, located on the corner of First and Franklin in Jackson, would later be known as Polly's, because of the parrot that Frank kept in the store to greet

customers at the door. Polly was intended to make a visit to Frank's memorable enough to continue shopping there, and the Kennedy family considers it the most brilliant marketing move the company has ever made.

In just a decade, Polly's had grown to five locations. The other four stores were located at West Ganson and North West, now a Ballroom Emporium; Cooper and Ganson, where a Family Dollar Store is located; High and Francis, where there's a Chuckles Party Store; and Francis and Biddle, which is now a vacant lot.

"Food retailing in the 1940s consisted of neighborhood stores," Kim said. "Most housewives did not have a car at their disposal and stores needed to be in walking distance of their home. My dad has told me that in the late '40s the local grocers' association had more than 270 members. You never had to walk more than 10 blocks to get to the closest one."

He still has fond memories of those first small neighborhood stores and of his father waking him and his brother up at 4 a.m. for the weekly trip to the Eastern Market.

"He would buy a semi load of produce and bring it back and distribute it to the stores," he recalled. "The stores did most of the processing in the basements. My brother and I loved to ride the conveyor belts up and down with the loads."

Many traditions continue on in the family business.

Even though the stores have changed with the industry, Polly's still buys most of its produce and meat from two east Detroit companies based in Eastern Market, allowing Polly's to deliver a great deal of local produce and meat to its customers. This also gives local producers an outlet for their goods in Polly's stores, thus supporting those producers in turn.

Two of Kim's brothers are in charge of perishables, so the family is still directly involved in procuring and managing those products on a daily basis and being in the store to make sure they're fresh and well presented, just like their grandfather used to do.

Changing times

Frank passed away in 1954 and control of the family business went to his 27-year-old son. As the torch passed, times changed.

After World War II, Jackson prospered, changing the landscape of not only America but of its businesses. Subdivisions sprung up farther and farther from central business districts. More and more housewives were driving.

Stores no longer could rely on customers being a captive of the neighborhood. They needed more and more land to accommodate larger stores with adequate parking space for all the new cars.

"My dad, much like his father was a visionary," Kim said. "He knew that the neighborhood store had run its course. So, in the early '50s, he started buying land on the outskirts of town for a new store."

In 1958, he opened a super-market in Jackson's first strip shopping center on the corner

Polly locations

Dexter: 7001 Dexter Ann Arbor Road, 734-424-9600. Manager: Veronica Hackworth

Saline: 1335 E. Michigan Ave., 734-944-7878.

Manager: Mickey Zippay

Chelsea: 1255 S. Main St., 734-433-0130. Manager: Corey Kennedy

Adrian: 1535 W. Maumee, 517-265-4190. Manager: Kirk Gilbert

Adrian: 1392 S. Main St., 517-263-0569. Manager: Jeremy Villegas

Jackson: 201 Park Ave., 517-783-4226. Manager: Ford Kennedy, Jr.

Jackson: 1821 Spring Arbor Road, 517-787-5228.

Manager: Denny O'Shea

Jackson: 1210 W. Parnell Road, 517-796-4606.

Manager: Mark Bacon

Jackson: 2119 Ferguson Road, 517-787-6096.

Manager: Mark Miller

Brooklyn: 11301 Brooklyn Road, 517-592-4040.

Manager: Todd Gilbert

of Prospect and Francis.

In the early 1960s, he opened another store next to the new Shoppers Fair — Jackson's first big-box store — on North West and Argyle. The location is now home to ABC Warehouse and Blockbuster Video.

In 1971, he opened another store on Spring Arbor Road, which featured an in-store pharmacy, gift shop, snack bar, dry cleaning pickup, wine cellar, scratch bakery and other features not previously seen in a grocer.

"Unfortunately, (the area's) prosperity also caught the attention of many regional and national chains," Kim said. "Kroger, A & P, Wrigley's, Great Scotts, Spartan, IGAs and Meijers were sprouting up everywhere."

His father began buying stores in smaller communities. He opened Polly's in Brooklyn, Coldwater, Leslie, Parma and Chelsea. He also had two stores in both Adrian and Battle Creek.

His father died in September 2000, just before the company opened a store on Parnell and Lansing Avenue.

It has been smooth sailing with the Kennedy children acting as the family business venture's crew. Polly's Food Service now operates 10 super-markets located in Jackson, Vandercook Lake, Brooklyn, Adrian, Chelsea, Dexter and Saline. The company also operates a limited assortment store in Jackson. Polly's employs about 1,200 people.

The Kennedy family also owns three shopping centers that house Polly's grocers and another four buildings with freestanding stores.

"We also operate four pharmacies in our larger stores," Kim said. "This is a business that has gone full cycle for us. We started out leasing out the pharmacies in our stores. But more often than not, the pharmacists sold the script business out to a national chain that open up right next door. So we got into the drug business."

Local contractors handle the building and upkeep of Polly's properties to afford the Kennedy family close involvement in their facilities from the start. It's also another opportunity to work with local companies and be there during the sawdust phase of the company's



Chelsea Polly's Country Market storefront.



Jerry Nelson reviews his list as he shops for groceries.



Celeste Balogh and granddaughter Geanine Clepy do some shopping.

growth, just like Fredrick and Frank were.

The next generation

"We now have fifth- and sixth-generation family entering the business," Kim said. "Four of my nephews now work in the stores. Two are store directors and the other two are assistant store directors. One of my nephews has a daughter who works as a carryout in the Summit Oaks store. So you can see we truly are a family business."

Corey carries the torch, having started as a store manager during his junior year at Western Michigan University. He graduated with a bachelor's in food marketing in 2000, but he admits that his education wouldn't be nearly as useful with regard to his responsibilities as a store manager without his experience working elbow-to-elbow with the workforce that permeates every nook and cranny of a Polly's location.

He looked out intently through a pane of glass from his second-story office. The windows face inward so he can watch his customers come and go and his employees guide and see them on their way.

"We had to find a niche in this market... compared to other independents in the business we're competitive on price, but we needed more," he said.

Organic foods, gluten-free products and specialty items are part of the puzzle. Having more brands and variety of each type of product is another part of it.

"Kroger and Meijer have more width, which means they have more categories or product," Corey said. "As opposed to carrying the top two brands, we try to carry five or six items in

that category because everybody likes different kinds of detergent, for example. I had a woman tell me that she wanted a particular type of Dial soap. We want to have what she's looking for."

It's much cheaper to do it the way a national chain does because buying every package of macaroni and cheese from Kraft allows that chain to get a discount from the manufacturer and its distributors for ordering in greater bulk.

"Not everyone likes the same kind of macaroni and cheese," Corey says, looking away from the glass. "Our competitors are looking at volume and a spreadsheet and basing their decisions on that without hearing the customer."

Proud employees

Dexter Polly's store manager Veronica Hackworth has spent the better part of her career with the company, having worked at the company's Chelsea store and transferring to the Dexter store as store manager when it opened Jan. 28, 1999.

She says Polly's is a great employer to have in any community.

"The Kennedy family does really well keeping prices low," she says while holding a receipt given to her by a customer from opening day.

The receipt is dated Dec. 16, 1999, because of an apparent glitch in the system during her store's first days in operation, but she always remembers it when she's looking at the current prices in the store.

"They haven't changed that much, actually... regular price for a case of Pepsi was \$3.89, which is close to what we charge

now," Hackworth said. "A 12-pack of Miller Lite was \$6.49 and it's about \$9.79 now."

For the past three weeks, the company has set prices at or below cost to give back to the community.

Saline Polly's store manager Mickey Zippay says low prices are effective at drawing people to his location to further grow an already growing customer-base.

"I would say this store is the fastest growing store in our chain," he said. "We've really grown significantly over the past four years. The store becomes easier to run when you have more business."

The Saline store opened its doors as the newest addition to the chain July 15, 2005.

Zippay started working for Polly's in Jackson, where he still resides.

He was the assistant manager for 2 1/2 years at the Jackson store at 2119 Ferguson Road and store manager for more than four years at the Jackson store at 201 Park Ave.

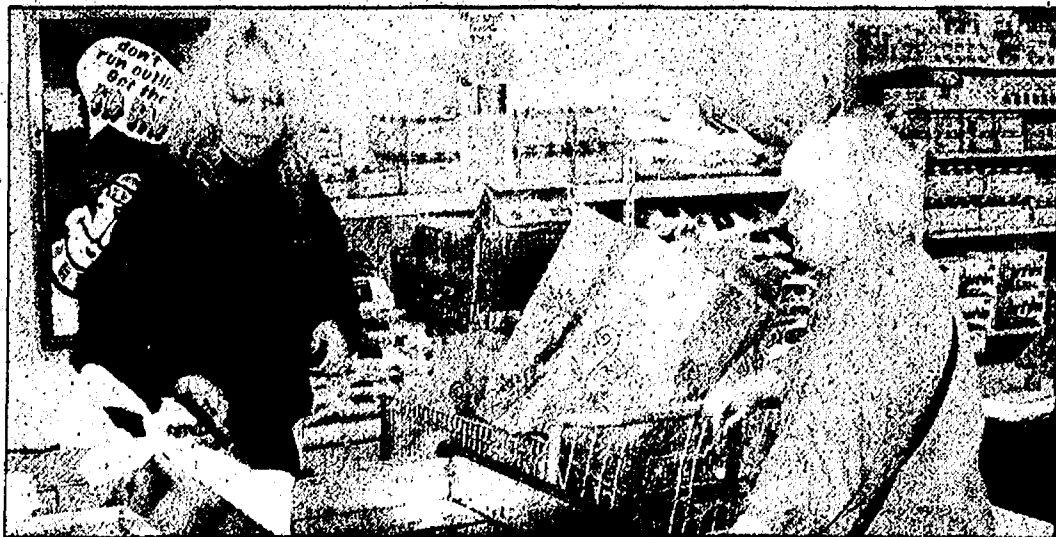
He said what brought him to Saline was he wanted new scenery, a new challenge and a bigger store to work in.

With the new Saline store, he had to hire new workers and train everyone.

"Whenever you set up a new store, it is always going to be a challenge," Zippay said. "It took a full two years to really get where we needed to be."

He hopes that Polly's remains on a high perch for another 75 years.

"It's nice to be a part of a company that has been in business this long," Zippay said, concluding that he feels fortunate to have a job with security within a company that has been doing what it does so well for so long.



Dexter Polly's Country Market store manager Veronica Hackworth pitches in to help customers bag their groceries.



Penny Gelander (left), Frank Pashkwyck and Corey Kennedy understand each other's role in operating a successful grocery store.

SCHOOLS

FROM PAGE 1-A

State Aid Notes are possible options for borrowing money in the near future.

The loans would need to be repaid with interest.

Superintendent David Killips reported on the district and state budget.

"Since 2002, we have already cut \$7 million from the district budget," he said. He explained that there have been reductions in supplies, field trips and athletic contributions; the district switched health care insurance to reduce costs; and through either attrition or layoff, there has been a reduction in staff, including not only teachers, but also custodians, secretaries, bus

drivers and monitors.

"The scary part is the widening of the gap between revenues and expenses," he said.

Killips also reported that there has been a continuous decline in the number of pupils in the district since 2002.

School officials also are keeping tabs on the number of students who are absent because of flu-like illness. On Monday, attendance at Pierce Lake and South Meadows fell below 90 percent.

"We cannot stress enough that parents should keep children home when they are sick,"

Killips said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, students should be fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours before returning to school.

The Chelsea School District is anticipating hosting an H1N1 flu immunization clinic for the Washtenaw County Public Health Department on Nov. 18 from 1 to 7 p.m. or while vaccine supplies last. The clinic will target the priority groups currently eligible for H1N1 vaccination, which include preg-

nant women, household and caregiver contacts of infants under six months of age, children six months through four years of age, children five to 18 who have medical conditions associated with a higher risk

of influenza complications, and healthcare and emergency medical personnel who provide direct patient care.

Board members Rob Turner and Sally DeVol expressed commendations to the band for

scoring the highest rating at the Band Festival, to the girls' equestrian team for placing first in the state, to the girls' golf team for placing fifth in the state, and to the National Merit semi-finalists.

MURAL

FROM PAGE 1-A

It was originally installed in 1938 and was commissioned by the secretary of painting and sculpture, Procurement Division of the Treasury Department, in 1937.

For more than 70 years, the mural was on the wall above Postmaster's office in the Main Street post office building.

This is the reason for the door fame-sized notch in the center.

It was removed from its original location in February 2009 by Parma Conservation of Chicago, cleaned and restored and was re-installed in the new facility last month.

The United States Post Office paid about \$22,000 for the work.

"The frame is wonderful," Joe Resnick of Austin, Texas, said.

Originally the mural was affixed to the wall and had no frame. Today, it's affixed on a board, framed in brown wood and illuminated by ceiling lights.

Joe Resnick drove his mother from Huntington Woods to see the mural Monday. The last time family members saw the mural was several years ago when it was on the wall in the old post office building.

"The move gave this painting new life," Joe Resnick said.

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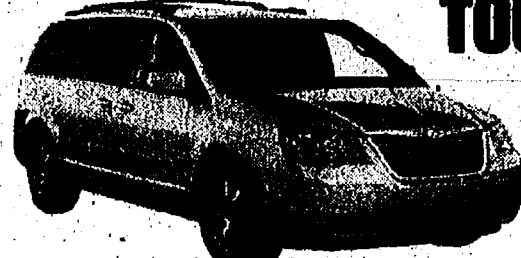
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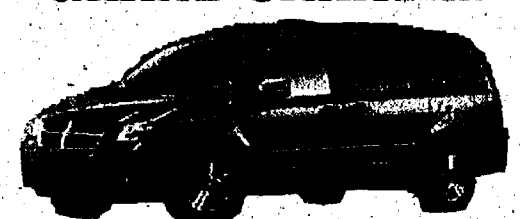
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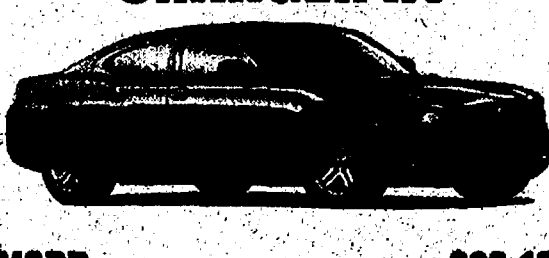


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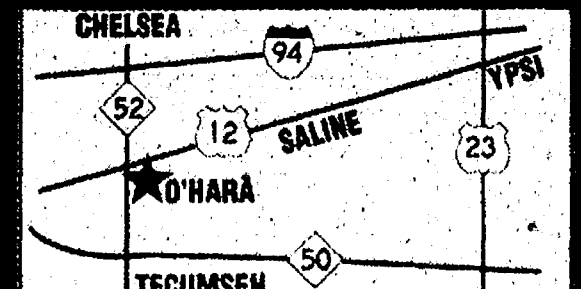
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This week's question

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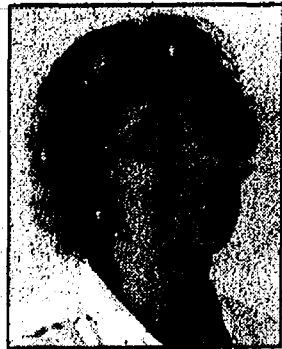
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HOME FRONT: By Lisa Allmendinger

Poverty becoming epidemic

Nationally, one in six Americans is living in poverty. Statistically speaking, this means a family of four making less than \$22,050.

Think about this.



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Could you live on this paltry sum? I know I couldn't. I have three jobs so I can keep a roof over my head, feed myself and my two dogs, pay my bills and save enough money so I can live comfortably in my golden years.

If the national figures didn't open your eyes to what's going on around

you, perhaps some local ones will. The unemployment rate in this area is 9.5 percent, while the state figure is 15 percent.

In Ann Arbor, almost 25 percent of the people are living at or below the poverty rate.

I won't bore you with more statistics, but the number of people without jobs and subsequently losing their homes is just staggering.

Some of them are your neighbors. These are the new faces of homelessness — and joblessness.

There are people living in tents in homeless camps near you. You may not want to acknowledge it, but they are there.

Shelters across the country are scrambling to accommodate as many people as possible with winter around the corner.

So look up from your newspaper and take in all the stuff you have around your home. Take a peek in your pantry and in your refrigerator. Then think about all the food you toss out every week.

This column isn't meant as a guilt trip, rather a call to action.

There is an increased demand for services and a decline in the funding available

to help those in need.

So as we approach winter and the holiday season, instead of spending wildly on people who already have too much stuff, make a donation to a nonprofit organization that is struggling to help the poor.

Buy a present for a child living in a homeless shelter to brighten an otherwise dreary day.

Box up some of that stuff you don't need and donate it to a group that will find a good home with an adult or child in need.

Get involved as a volunteer at one of the hundreds of organizations that are cutting back on staff at a time when the need for help is at an all-time high.

Now is the time to get into the holiday spirit of giving when your efforts, material donations and precious dollars can truly do the most good.

You'll feel warmth of the holiday season in a new and special way this year.

Lisa Allmendinger can be reached at lallmendinger@heritage.com or at 1-877-995-NEWS (6397).

OUR TAKE: Editorial

Text updates may endanger motorists

Ironically, to keep motorists informed about traffic congestion, officials in many states could be endangering drivers.

That's because at least 22 states that ban texting while driving offer some type of service that allows motorists to get information about traffic tie-ups, road conditions or emergencies via Twitter.

"You shouldn't be fiddling around with any kind of electronic gadget in your car while driving," said Minnesota state Rep. Frank Hornstein, who helped write his state's no-texting-while-driving law.

Michigan has not yet banned texting while driving, but such legislation has been introduced in the Legislature. It behooves our good lawmakers to review problems encountered in other states before finalizing rules for Michigan. This may not be a case of do what we say, not as we do, but it's close enough.

Some supporters of text-messaging bans say the states that provide traffic information via Twitter are undermining the laws.

"I would guess that the states wouldn't intend to be sending a mixed message, but it sounds like it could be a mixed message," Judie Stone, president of the Washington-based Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, said in a report by The Associated Press.

In this fast-paced world of electronics, motorists should know the dangers of trying to send text messages while behind the wheel. Logic, however, seems to escape far too many. But keeping motorists informed about road emergencies, winter weather alerts or, as in the case of the state of Mississippi, hurricane evacuations, is also a valuable service.

Arkansas, which has a texting ban that went into effect Oct. 1, encourages motorists to tweet before driving.

"Check our Web site before leaving," said Randy Ort, spokesman for the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department. "If you're at your office, before you leave and there's an issue on the roadway, it might alter your travel plans home."

That's a sensible approach. We can only hope Michiganians remain mindful of distractions while driving. Meanwhile, let's take this opportunity to again push for passage of House Bills 4394 and 4369. House Bill 4394 bans texting and House Bill 4369 bans hand-held cell phone use. You could still use the hands-free phones. Their main sponsors are Rep. Lee Gonzales, D-Flint, and Gino Polidori, D-Deerborn.

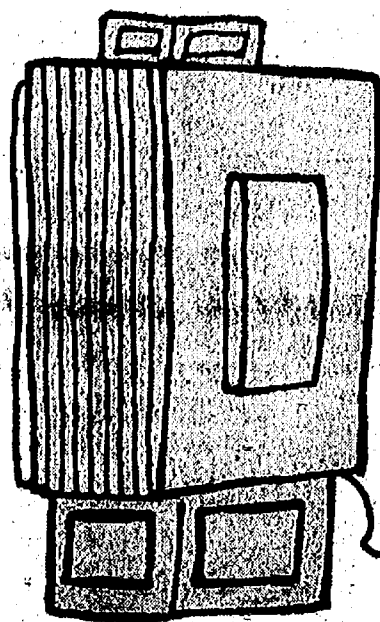
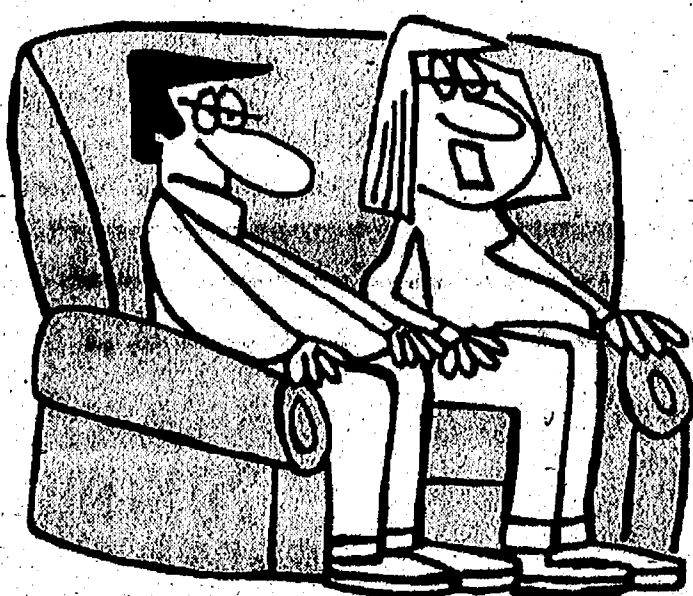
The penalties of both the House and the Senate bills are minimal — a \$100 fine and no points. But the dollar figure, especially these days, might just be enough to make our roads safer.

Both bills are just the latest versions of legislation meant to ban texting and cell phone use in cars — legislation that just makes sense.

Currently the bills are languishing in House Committees. We know the Legislature's top priority is the budget, but there bills shouldn't create that much controversy.

They are common-sense proposals for some drivers who often don't use common sense. Yes, it's a shame we have to add to the volumes of state laws, but for the protection of the general driving public, it's necessary. We urge the Legislature to take a short break from their budget debate and approve these bills.

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"IT'S THE BALLOON BOY CHANNEL..."

GUEST OPINION: By Gail Madzlar

Don't confuse your Main Street bankers with Wall Street

While today's economy is challenging for all of us, businesses and consumers alike, our local banking industry continues to serve a vital role in our communities. Michigan banks and savings institutions are the single most important supplier of credit in Michigan, putting their customers' deposits back to work in their own communities.

Michigan banks are the foundation of our communities providing for college, new homes, local businesses and family farms.

Michigan has more than 180 banks and savings institutions, with more than 3,500 offices and branches across the state employing nearly

40,000 Michigan residents. Their physical presence in almost every community gives them a personal stake in the

tion, not the problem.

They are as different as night and day from the investment banks and hedge funds

Michigan has more than 180 banks and savings institutions, with more than 3,500 offices and branches across the state employing nearly 40,000 Michigan residents.

growth and vitality of our towns and cities.

During these challenging times, please remember that your local bank or savings institution is part of the solu-

that are talked about in the media every day. Investment banks underwrite stocks and bonds and invest for themselves, while hedge funds invest for high wealth indi-

viduals and other investment funds. Even though they are often called "banks" by the media, they are not banks and have never been subject to meaningful government oversight.

In sharp contrast, your local banks and savings institutions are strictly regulated by federal and state supervisors, and they continue to offer you trusted financial advice and provide a secure place to keep your earnings and savings and help local businesses and consumers meet their credit needs.

Rest assured that your deposits are safe at your local bank or savings institution. Today, they are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance

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Most retirement accounts are now also insured up to \$250,000 per insured institution, and almost all institutions today are even insuring business transaction accounts.

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If you have any questions about the FDIC and the safety of your bank deposits, we encourage you to visit www.myfdicinsurance.gov.

This economic crisis will pass, as have others before,

and the result will be a stronger financial system with far fewer unregulated players.

Meanwhile, Michigan banks and savings institutions have been serving Michigan residents and businesses for more than 150 years, and they are still here serving our communities, as they will for countless generations to come.

They are solid and dependable — a secure place for your family's financial needs. You can look with confidence to your Michigan traditional bank.

Gail Madzlar is vice president of membership and communications for the Michigan Bankers Association.

Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Walberg was bad for state, would be again

In the Oct. 7 edition, there was a letter to the editor from Margaret Canham extolling the virtues of former Congressman Tim Walberg. Ms. Canham made some statements that I feel must be addressed.

I would agree that Mr. Walberg is not a one-issue voter, as candidate Marvin Carlson had remarked. However, the problem is that Mr.

Walberg is a multi-issue candidate with all the wrong positions.

Mr. Walberg, as far as I can tell, still contends that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction, even though none were ever found and all reports still conclude that they were not there.

Mr. Walberg supported privatizing Social Security by investing funds in private accounts (read Wall Street). In 2004, Mr. Walberg, in a debate with his opponent called Social Security

"socialism." This is a position much favored by the Club for Growth, Mr. Walberg's main source of funding.

Mr. Walberg, as congressman, sent out a press release taking credit for federal funding to build at runway at Battle Creek airport. The problem? Mr. Walberg voted against the bill authorizing the funding.

Mr. Walberg supports outsourcing of jobs overseas. He gave an interview to the Lansing State Journal in which

he said, outsourcing "has been both good and necessary for the nation's economy." I'm not sure you would get agreement from the many Michigan workers who have seen their jobs move to low-wage countries.

Mr. Walberg said after Hurricane Katrina, "the gulf rigs went through Katrina with no spills." The fact is over 750,000 gallons of oil were spilled during the hurricane. He does want to drill, though, in ANWR and he advocated slant drilling under

our Great Lakes.

Mr. Walberg voted "no" on mental health parity, "no" on Head Start, "no" on honoring Americorps, "no" on minimum wage increase, "no" on stem cell research, "no" on the 9/11 commission recommendations, "no" on allowing Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices, "no" on protecting whistleblowers, "no" on relief for gulf states affected by Katrina, and on and on.

Mr. Walberg is consistent. Consistently wrong

for the 7th District.

Oh, and by the way, if you can measure a man by the company he keeps, I wouldn't brag about Congressman Joe Wilson's endorsement.

While Ms. Canham is pleased that the congressman would make the trip and cited the "You Lie" controversy, I think she forgets that Congressman Wilson apologized for his behavior.

—Scott Brodie
Saline

MUSIC

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with the concert performance - the 5th Grade Band performance happens at the end of the school year at an evening concert - with mini-performances taking place throughout the school year during class time and other special band events. The 6th Grade Band has more performance opportunities - including three evening concerts (fall, winter, spring.) Both the 5th and 6th Grade Band members also have the opportunity to perform as soloists and in small groups at the annual Chelsea Bands Mardi Gras Concert Celebration in the spring.

We are proud of our music department, and what we're able to provide the students of the Chelsea Schools. Our goal is to be able to continue the very best in music education, to teach and assist our students in meeting their individual goals, while working to achieving at the very highest level to meet our band group goals. We believe in what music education does for young people, and we are fortunate to be a part of a school district and community that also believes in the value of a high quality music education.

The Choir

By Steve Hinz

Choir at the 5th and 6th grade level introduces students to their voices in a more refined performance level than they previously experienced. Our purpose is to create great musical performance and to learn something about themselves through the music studied and through the experience of working together.

Choir members learn specific performance techniques associated with their voice. They will also learn skills necessary for ensemble performance success. Cooperative learning in choir stresses the importance of understanding one's job and how their work contributes to our group's success, along with the added benefits of discipline, self-control, and respect for self and others.

Music series

The following is the first in a six-part series looking at the award-winning music programs inside the Chelsea schools.

Oct. 15: K-4th grade music program
Today: 5-6th grade music program
Nov. 6: 7-8th grade music program
Nov. 12: 9-12th grade music program - Band
Nov. 19: 9-12th grade music program - Choir
Nov. 26: 9-12th grade music program - Orchestra

Choir rehearsals have these components:

1. Singing - They discover choral music of many different styles, building individual skills. They notice improvement in regards to range, volume, pitch centering and development of color.

2. Development of Reading Skills - The goal is to become independent readers by learning solid music reading skills. They attack this important element by training their ears with the use of solfege (do, re, mi)

3. Development of Ensemble Skills - They not only directly work on group skills through singing, but through pitched percussion playing as well. Listening and responding to others is key for success

The orchestra

By Jed Fritzmeier

"How does music make the world a better place?" was a question recently posed by one of Chelsea's 6th grade orchestra

students at the beginning of class as we started the D major scale. Questioning the value of music is a tremendous step in committing to the discipline needed to succeed in music. From a teacher's perspective, music is important because music answers questions that cannot be answered through any other form of communication. As the composer and conductor Leonard Bernstein said, "Music explains the unexplainable and describes the indescribable."

The goal of the Chelsea orchestra program - and any music program - is to bring to students the highest level of artistic expression allowing students to explore all aspects of life from a personal, unique perspective. Answering the original question compels other questions such as what really is music? When the orchestra was asked this very question at Chelsea High School, a German exchange student spoke up immediately, "music allows me to come to America and participate in orchestra without knowing the spoken language very well. Music is a universal language." In the end, the goal of the Chelsea orchestras is to develop student's technical skills to their maximum potential allowing these young musicians an opportunity to experience performing great music - an hopefully have fun doing so.

Our philosophy of music education in the Chelsea Public Schools is a "learn by doing" mentality. Our Chelsea music department believes that music is learned best when experienced firsthand.

For this reason, 5th and 6th grade music classes are performance based. The goal is for our students to react to what they hear - to investigate whether a

violin, viola cello or bass is the sound that turns on the music inside them.

Few of us view the music of the great masters such as Bach, Beethoven or Mozart as our music in 5th and 6th grade. However, when we hear and feel the vibration of an instrument something clicks. The musical material we learn in this young orchestra is meant to connect student and instrument. That is why we play "fun" tunes to start out, tunes the students can hopefully relate to.

Orchestra students in 5th grade are expected to memorize a set of tunes. This ties the ears and the hands to the instrument through repetition. The crucial element to real success on a string instrument is the melding of this ear-to-hand relationship. There is something magical about being able to mentally hear a tune and experience that same music coming out of a string instrument. This musical revelation is the goal of the 5th and 6th grade strings.

Concerts are crucial to motivating students to refine music-making and continue in the orchestra playing their instruments. In 6th grade, there are concerts in December, March and June. The latter two concerts also boast the 5th graders first performances. All of these concerts are in conjunction with other ensembles, either upper grade level orchestras or bands and choirs from the Chelsea Music Department.

This is meant to spur string students to "stick it out" knowing that there is a world of music in which they can continue to participate.

In the end, the goal of the orchestra is to graduate as

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State history awards given out in Lansing

The Historical Society of Michigan presented its 2009 State History Awards at the 135th annual State History Conference held on Mackinac Island Oct. 2 through 4 during the annual awards banquet. Several individuals and organizations honored were from Washtenaw County.

The State History Awards are the highest recognition presented by the state's official historical society and oldest cultural organization, established in 1828.

Thirteen awards were presented this year in a variety of categories including Publications; University and Commercial Press; Publications; Private Printing; Media; Communications; Educational Programs; Restoration & Preservation; Distinguished Volunteer Service; Special Programs and Events; and Lifetime Achievement.

This is the third year the Historical Society has presented its Lifetime Achievement Award, which was created in 2007 to honor the full body of work of men and women who have dedicated themselves to the preservation and promotion of Michigan's history.

The 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Michigan historian Philip P. Mason. Mason has enjoyed a long and productive career as a writer, editor, university professor, popular speaker, oral historian, mentor and organizer of historical conferences. He is also one of the most respected archivists in America. Mason was instrumental in establishing the Walter P. Reuther Library of Labor and Urban Affairs, considered one of the finest labor archives in the world. Its archives have grown to become the official depository for the inactive records of nine international labor unions and include the files of several thousand labor leaders, reformers and prominent community officials. This major research center draws hundreds of scholars, writers and film producers annually.

From 1953 to 1958, Mason was Michigan's state archivist. In 1958, Mason began at Wayne State University. During his tenure there, he served as editor or co-editor of Wayne State's award-winning Great Lakes Books Series. In 1992, Mason became editor of the Henry R. Schoolcraft series at Michigan State University Press and helped make the works of Michigan's great explorer and ethnologist available to additional generations of researchers.

Mason was the driving force for a half century behind "Michigan in Perspective," the annual conference on local history. Following his retirement from the conference in 2008, the Historical Society of Michigan has provided conference administration, building on Mason's work on this annual gathering. Attendees reflect a wide range of interests, from historians to genealogists, archivists, academicians, educators and preservationists.

Along the way, Mason has authored or co-authored eight books and assisted and inspired hundreds of young scholars to carve out careers in local history. Mason's work in the historical field professionally and personally has spanned decades, and his receipt of the Lifetime Achievement award is a salute to his many endeavors through the years.

Four books were recognized with State History Awards in the Publications: University and Commercial Press category.

James M. McClurken received a State History Award for his book, "Our People, Our Journey: The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians," published by Michigan State University Press. The book tells the long and often tortured story of a people's search for their identity and place in an often indifferent world. The awards committee noted that the story was told with compassion and sympathy but without the attempts to stir maudlin emotionalism. It is a heart-warming story of successes, failures, and internal issues. But mostly, it is a story of perseverance.

The second book to receive a State History Award in the University and Commercial Press category is Jeff Alexander's "Pandora's Locks: The Opening of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway." Alexander is an award-winning author and former environmental journalist. He covered Great Lakes issues for the past 20 years for several Michigan newspapers and currently works in media relations for the National Wildlife Federation. "Pandora's Locks" tells the story of zebra mussels and other invasive species that have infiltrated the lakes system by way of ocean vessels. Special interests, indifference, political pressures, confusing regulations, delaying tactics and even misguided environmentalist concerns have blocked efforts to stem the flow of the invasion.

The third book to receive a State History Award in the University and Commercial Press category is Donald Faber's "The Toledo War: The First Michigan-Ohio Rivalry." Faber's work is the first complete history of this conflict and furnishes readers with a study of this inter-state conflict. The book is thoroughly researched in primary source documents located in the state archives of Michigan and Ohio, the Clements Library, the Burton Collection of the Detroit Public Library, the Monroe County Historical Museum and the Lucas County Public Library. Published by the University of Michigan Press, "The Toledo War" fills a gap in Michigan historiography with its engagingly written and well-documented narrative. Faber lives in Ann Arbor.

The fourth book to receive a State History Award in the University and Commercial Press category is Anthony Yanik's, "Maxwell Motor and the Making of the Chrysler Corporation," published by Wayne State University Press. The work charts the history of this innovative automaker from the company origins as the Maxwell-Briscoe Motor Company in 1903 to the deal that transferred all of Maxwell's assets to form the new Chrysler Corporation in 1925. Unknown to many is the fact that Maxwell numbered among America's leading automobile manufacturers of the early 20th century and introduced many innovative features.

In the category of "Books: Private Printing," the Historical Society of Michigan presented a State History Award to William Lafferty and Valerie van Heest for their recent book, "Buckets and Belts: Evolution of the Great Lakes Self Unloader." Published by In-Depth Editions, the publishing partner of Michigan Shipwreck Research Associates, the book was supported by a grant from the Michigan Humanities Council and a supplemental grant from the Association for Great Lakes Maritime Heritage. "Buckets and Belts" is an account of relatively undocumented maritime history. The book brings the development of the self-unloader in a broad context of Michigan's economic history and more narrowly the limestone quarrying history.

In the "Communications: Newsletters and Web sites" category, the award went to the quarterly newsletter Ypsilanti Gleanings from the Ypsilanti Historical Society. The newsletter was first published in 1973 and features historical articles along with reminiscences of the people and places in Ypsilanti and the surrounding communities. The newsletter features articles and photos documenting the history of the area as well as regular columns and local advertisers. Past issues of the newsletter have been digitized and can now be searched online at the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti public libraries.

In the media category, Ruben Rodriguez was awarded a State History Award for his video documentary, "The Murals of Royal Oak," which tells the story of a grass-roots effort to save three priceless Depression-era artworks from oblivion. The documentary follows the story of the campaign by community members to locate, restore and reinstall the three 22 foot high murals created by the Works Progress Administration in 1934. Ruben Rodriguez of VideoWorks Production Services produced, photographed, edited and



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HYDE, JOAN H. (Stanko); Gregory, MI, formerly of Detroit; age 90; died Friday, October 23, 2009 in her home surrounded by loving family and friends. She lived life to the fullest following an ovarian cancer diagnosis in June, 2007. Born June 12, 1919 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, daughter of Januarius and Leona (Gorecki) Stanko. Joan moved with her family to Detroit, Michigan in 1922. She graduated from Holy Redeemer High School and was an alumna of Marygrove College. Mrs. Hyde was a social worker for a time, but worked much of her life as a caring elementary school teacher in Detroit Public Schools, retiring from Coleman A. Young School. While working, Joan was a devoted wife to husband, Joffre and dedicated mother to her five children in northwest Detroit. She was truly a "Super Mom". Her faith was very important and she was a longtime member of Gesu Catholic Parish. Upon her move to Gregory, she joined St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea. She loved Chelsea and considered it "her town". Over the years, she participated in many Chelsea activities including the Senior Center, Senior Exercise Group at Chelsea Hospital, Faith in Action, tutoring at North Creek Elementary, Books and Banter, St. Mary Prayer Shawl Ministry and many more. She always sought out volunteer opportunities, even during her illness, sewing "Little Dresses for Africa" and creating prayer shawls for others. Mrs. Hyde was a world traveler enjoying such places as Germany, Taiwan, Australia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Russia, Ireland, Scotland, and even ventured to Cambodia at age 81 to help pick up her adopted granddaughter. Her family includes five children: Gregory, of Bloomfield Hills, Damien (Janet) of Gregory, Denis (Janet) of Manchester, Diane (Clifton) Hyde-Ross of Oak Park, Daria (Virginia) Hyde of Lansing; her sister, Mary Therese (Robert) Reust of Connecticut; her brothers, John Berchman (Ann) Stanko of Wyandotte, Michael (Denise) Stanko of Australia; her grandchildren, Jesse, Gabrielle, Nathan, Tevy, Sovann, Kim, Candice, Clifton III; extended family, members Carol Huang, Jeff Porter and Susan West; sisters-in-law, Yvonne McCarthy, Mary Lou Hyde, Rosemary Stanko, and Christine Stanko; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joffre; an infant son, Thomas Joseph; brothers Leonard, Bernard, Donald (Genevieve). Funeral liturgy will be held Saturday, October 31, 1 p.m., at St. Mary Catholic Church, 14200 E. Old US 12, Chelsea, with Fr. Gregory Hyde, S.J., officiating. Viewing will be from 11 to 1 p.m. at the church. Burial will be Monday, November 2, 11 a.m., at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to Faith in Action, or Sharing Foundation (to aid Cambodian Orphans). You may also create a prayer shawl in her honor to give to another in need of comfort. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea (www.ColeFuneralChapel.com).

DARWIN, BRIAN D.; of Chelsea, MI; age 47; passed away Monday, October 19, 2009, at the Arbor Hospice Residence. He was born on May 29, 1962, in Livonia, MI, the son of William, Sr. "Bill" and Joanne (Ramsey) Darwin. On November 3, 1984, he married Brenda Hepner in Ann Arbor, and she survives. Brian lived in Ann Arbor until 1978 when he moved to Chelsea, graduating from Chelsea High School in 1980. He enjoyed watching his children play high school and collegiate-level sports and never missed a game. Brian liked old cars and was a self-employed contractor, a job he loved because it allowed him to play in the dirt. In addition to his wife, he is survived by four children, Brynna, Brogan, Brennan and Bailey, all of Chelsea; his parents, of Waterloo; six siblings, William, Jr. "Bill" (Marsi) Darwin of Waterloo, Becky Darwin of Ann Arbor, Melanie Darwin of Pinckney, Amy Darwin of Munith and Andrew (Christina) Darwin of Waterloo; his parents-in-law, Garland (Eileen) Hepner of Pittsfield Township; two sisters-in-law, Kathy (Brian) Coles of Pittsfield Township and Kristina Hepner of Ann Arbor; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and friends. He was preceded in death by two infant children, Brendan Lawrence and Bryce Anthony. A Memorial Service was held Saturday, October 24, 2009, at 2 p.m. from St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea. Visitation was at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Thursday, October 22, from 6 to 8 p.m. and Friday, October 23, from 2 to 4 p.m. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Chelsea Athletic Boosters or to an educational fund for Brian's children.

VAN ORMAN, GENE; age 87; died in her home in Jensen Beach, FL, on September 21, 2009. Gene was born July 4, 1922, in Detroit, MI, to Martha and Frederick Ewald and spent her youth in Chelsea, MI. Gene Drive in Chelsea was given her name. Before retiring she practiced as a Licensed Practical Nurse after receiving her degree in her early fifties. Gene was a Deaconess in the Seventh Day Adventist Church. She did a great amount of charity work in the Detroit, MI, area. Survivors include her husband of 63 years, Wayne Van Orman; brothers, Daniel Ewald of Chelsea and Roland Ewald of Ooltewah, TN; three grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Gary, and two brothers, James Ewald and Vernon Ewald. A Memorial Tribute may be viewed at athoughtfulexpression.com.

MILLS, DOROTHY ANN; Saline, MI; age 86; passed peacefully in her sleep on Friday, October 2, 2009, at the Saline Evangelical Home. She was born December 16, 1922, in Worcester, Massachusetts, the daughter of Edward A. and Stella J. (Radula) Moroski. Dorothy was raised in Holden, Massachusetts and graduated from Holden High School in 1940. She served in the U.S. Navy WAVES as a machinist mate from 1943-1945. She was married to Kenneth D. Mills on July 20, 1946 in Warsaw, Indiana. She then attended TriState University in Angola, Indiana, completing a secretarial course. As newlyweds, Ken and Dot moved many times as Ken's federal engineering career in road construction took them to Maryland, California, Texas, Colorado, Ohio, New York, Arizona, Manitoba, Indiana and Michigan. They moved to Saline in 1967. Dorothy is survived by two sisters, Barbara Carmichael of Bataavia, New York and Edna Tilander of Jefferson, Massachusetts; nephew, Nathaniel (Janet) Tilander and grandniece Rebekah of Centennial, Colorado; niece, Nina Tilander of Hallowell, Maine; brother-in-law, John Graves of East Princeton, Massachusetts; and many cousins. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, husband Ken, daughter Patricia Ann Mills, sister Mary Ann Graves, nephew David Carmichael, and niece Cathy Carmichael. Dorothy loved her home, her friends and family, gardening, watching the birds, animals, and all of nature. Cremation has already taken place. A Memorial Gathering of friends and family will be held Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 2 p.m. at Stonebridge Golf Club. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to The National Wildlife Federation, Arbor Hospice, or the charity of your choice. Arrangements by the Robison-Bahn Miller Funeral Home, Saline, MI. To leave online condolences, please visit www.mlive.com.

GREEN, CARL L.; fought a long, courageous battle, passing away on October 25th; at the age of 85; from complications caused by radiation treatment for prostate cancer in Silver Lake, Ohio. Born on a farm in Jay County, Indiana, on June 30, 1924. Carl was the son of Kelma and Earnest Green. He joined the Civilian Conservation Corp six weeks after graduating high school at the age of 16 and worked at a CCC camp in Lake Quinault, Washington. He received special permission to join the U.S. Navy in 1941 at the age of 17, where he put his typing skills and CCC radio-operator classes to use as a radioman first class. He was assigned to a sub-chaser operating in multiple theaters: the Caribbean, North Africa, Mediterranean (Sicily, Italy, France), Philippines and Japan. Upon honorable discharge, he attended The Ohio State University where he earned a baccalaureate degree in Industrial Engineering. During his college years, Carl met Rose Mary, "the best thing that ever happened" to him, and they were married on September 22, 1949. Carl joined the management-training program at Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company and began his advancement into management. As a member of the Navy Reserves, however, Carl's service with Goodyear was interrupted in 1951 when he was called again to active duty during the Korean War. During his service with Goodyear, Carl and his growing family moved from St. Mary's to Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, where their sixth child was born. Goodyear moved the family to Jackson, Michigan and overseas to Wolverhampton, England, when Carl became the Quality Control Manager for Goodyear International. The family moved to the Village of Silver Lake nearly 38 years ago and Carl retired from Goodyear in 1986. In addition to his talents as a carpenter, furniture craftsman, fisherman and wicked Scrabble player, Carl and his wife became postcard dealers/collectors nearly 35 years ago, traveling the country to attend postcard shows. They made lifelong friendships with many who share their love of antique postcards, especially their friends in the Western Reserve Post Card Society and Johnny Appleseed Post Card Club. Carl also enjoyed years of pleasure with his special friends in the Wednesday Night Supper Club. Carl is survived by Rose Mary, his wife of 60 years; and his six children, Dr. Monica Howe (Dr. Raymond), Robert Green (Sara), James Green (Rita), Jean Green (Ben), Nancy Henry (Robert) and the Reverend Deacon John Green (Carolyn); his ten grandchildren; one great grandchild; and his loyal canine companion, Trouper, will sorely miss him. Carl's parents, brother (Edward) and sisters (Helen and Doris) preceded him in death; his brother, Robert Green (Gerry), brother-in-law, Don Dill; and sister-in-law, Martha Sagel, survive him. The family wishes to thank the staff at Akron City Hospital's ICU, especially Joy, Lynn and Jessie. His family surrounded him at his bedside and fulfilled his last requests for ice cream and a sip of Coors before Carl went home. Visitation was held at the Redmon Funeral Home, 3633 Darrow Road, Stow, Ohio 44224. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Emmaus Ministries, 921 W. Wilson Ave., Chicago, IL 60640. (REDMON, STOW 330-688-6631)



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Fall Spruce Up

The Milan Beautification Commission put finishing touches on seasonal decorations during a work day held Oct. 7. Giant pumpkins, scarecrows, hay bales, fall flowers and corn shocks ushered in the fall season. Members decorated barrels purchased through the Commissions' Adopt-A-Barrel project and busy hands tied bright-colored, burlap bows on corn shocks lining Main Street. More elaborate displays depicting the season can be found at the entrance to the Milan Senior Citizen and Community Center, the Milan Police Department and surrounding the Clock Tower in front of the Historic Fire Barn that hosts the Milan Area Chamber of Commerce offices at the corner of East Main and County Street. The project was made possible through a grant from the Greater Milan Area Community Foundation. Pictured are Milan Beautification Commission members Kim Herzog (left), Barbara Gardiner and Sallie Bancroft.

Don't let Halloween bashes turn into crashes this season

Halloween is just around the corner, and this year's calendar has it landing on a Saturday — causing an expected rise in the number of partygoers and trick-or-treaters taking to the streets on Halloween night.

The Washtenaw Alcohol Reduction Project, in partnership with Manchester Voices, urges community members, young and old, to make advance plans to stay safe.

"When Halloween falls during the middle of the work week, parties and events are spread out over several days to include the weekend," said Deputy Hilobuk of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.

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"With Halloween on a Saturday this year, most festivities are expected to take place that evening putting a large number of adult partygoers on the road the same night as trick-or-treaters."

When it comes to partying, Halloween draws the third highest crowds, behind New Year's Eve and Super Bowl Sunday. Two out of three adults ages 18 to 24 plan to throw or attend a Halloween party, according to the National Retail Federation, and 93 percent of children are expected to go trick-or-treating reports the National Confectioners Association.

"Unfortunately we also see a sharp rise in the number of motor vehicle fatalities on Halloween when it is on a weekend, so it's critical for both motorists and pedestrians to take extra caution and make sure this is a safe and happy Halloween for everyone," Hilobuk said.

The number of motor vehicle fatalities on Halloween rises an average of 30 percent to 151 deaths when Oct. 31 is on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday, compared to other days of the week, according to data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

WARP and Manchester Voices suggest partygoers and trick-or-treaters reduce their risk of being involved in a motor vehicle crash by doing some advance planning.

Partygoers

• **Make plans to get home safely.**
If intending to consume alcohol, make plans to get home safely by selecting a designated driver or ensuring cab service is available from the party location.

• **Consider an overnight stay.**
If attending a party at a friend's home, consider asking to stay overnight. If participating in festivities in a downtown or commercial area, look into hotel accommodations within walking distance. Many hotels offer special Halloween weekend rates and promotions.

• **Have safe transportation options ready.**
If hosting a party with alcohol, compile a list of phone numbers including local cab companies and organizations offering designated driver services to have readily available should guests need a safe way home.

Underage drinking is illegal and unacceptable. Adults who provide alcohol to anyone under the age of 21 are legally responsible for any harm caused by the intoxicated minor. Penalties for giving alcohol to a minor, or knowingly allowing a minor to consume alcohol include fines up to \$2,500 and jail time.

Parents

• **Select highly visible costumes.**
Look for light, bright and reflective costumes that make trick-or-treaters easy to see. Add reflective tape to costumes and treat buckets and bags to increase visibility.

• **Ensure costumes fit well.**
Have trick-or-treaters try on, walk and play in costumes and shoes in advance to check fit. Make sure nothing comes loose or might cause the child to trip. Check that wigs or other accessories do not obstruct the child's view.

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directed the documentary. It was shot over the course of four years and used interviews and extensive supporting footage. The result highlights the importance of art, history, and the value of a community coming together in a popular endeavor.

In the category of educational programs, the historical society presented the State History Award to Leland Public School for their program, Leelanau Remembers. Leland Public School paired with the Leelanau Historical Museum for the project, which required student pairs (a 10th-grader and a fourth-grader) to systematically collect, record and archive the personal testimony of an older Leland community resident. The goal was to make these oral histories more accessible to the public as a rich source of information.

The students involved in Leelanau Remembers found that while history books could teach them about major events, talking with the people who actually lived through those events offered a unique human perspective.

The project was presented to the public on May 20 in the Performing Arts Center at Leland Public School. Hosted by the students, the presentation included a 45-minute video and a large visual timeline exhibit.

The 2008 State History Award in the Restoration/Preservation category was presented to the Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum for their work preserving Gordon Hall and its view shed. Gordon Hall, built in the 1840s by Samuel W. Dexter, is one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture in the state of Michigan. The Dexter Area Historical Society raised \$1.5 million to acquire the land and building in 2006 and began restoring it to its original glory. This historical

building is open to the public for functions and tours during special occasions.

In the category of Distinguished Volunteer Service the Society presented two awards.

The first was awarded to Norma Ward. Growing up in the shadow of the 22,000-square-foot Durand Union Station, Ward's love of the building and railroading became a lifelong devotion. Ward has been a potent force in documenting state and local railroad history, while spending much of her life rehabilitating, protecting and promoting the depot that still captures the splendor of the Victorian era. Her service helped save one of Michigan's finest historic landmarks. Ward also set the wheels in motion to secure a location for Durand's first railroad history museum. Today, the massive train station is home to the Michigan Railroad History Museum, the Margaret Zdunick Railroad Archives and the Henry Earle Riggs Railroad Library. The station is also a regular stop on Amtrak's Blue Water line that provides daily rail passenger service between Port Huron and Chicago.

The second award in the category of Distinguished Volunteer Service was given to Carl Bajema. Bajema is a biology professor at Grand Valley State University with a penchant for local history research. For more than two decades, Bajema has spent time at the microfilm reader/printer scrolling through old newspapers in the Grand Rapids Public Library. During his research, Bajema has donated thousands of clippings from various Grand Rapids newspapers, as well as other Michigan publications including The Detroit News, Marquette Mining Journal, the Grand Haven Tribune and many more.

The Carl Bajema Newspaper Clipping Collection is used by scholars, students, independent researchers, genealogists

and library staff. More than a century of struggle and achievement are covered in 5,000 clippings from the African-American collection and approximately 7,000 articles in the Women's history collection. Historian Paul Lee described Bajema's articles as "a major resource on African American history and culture" available for public use. "There can't be 10 collections in the United States as important as this," according to Lee.

A Special Programs and Events State History Award was presented to The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center in St. Joseph for their multi-faceted program entitled Working Waterfronts: Planning and Preserving the Maritime Traditions of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor. The program includes a museum exhibit; a second complementary exhibit focusing on three shipwrecks off the southwest Michigan coast; a documentary video entitled "The Rise of the Self-Unloader"; a 300-page book, "Buckets and Belts: Evolution of the Great Lakes Self-Unloader"; a curriculum guide for educators; a student lending kit; a series of public programs and events; a Working Waterfronts Web site; walking tours; a series of fourteen full-color heritage trail interpretive signs; and plans for the preservation of St. Joseph's historic 1906-1907 north pier lights. The exhibit, publications and programs educate the public in the preservation issues that face southwest Michigan only surviving working waterfront.

This year's State History Awards were presented at the Historical Society of Michigan's Presidents Reception and State History Awards Banquet at its annual State History Conference held on Mackinac Island. Nomination forms for 2010 Awards can be found on the society's Web site at www.hsmichigan.org.

College to host Veterans Day events

Concordia University Ann Arbor will host a Veterans Day celebration Nov. 11, with armed service veterans, their families and currently serving military members as guests of honor.

A portion of the event just for service members, veterans and their families will begin at 10:15 a.m. Concordia will honor the veterans and service members of the community by presenting them with commemorative gifts and \$5,000 scholarship certificates issued in their names. The designee may use the scholarship, confer it to another veteran or present it to one of their dependents.

The general public is invited to participate in an 11:30 a.m. flag ceremony and to meet veterans and service members at an informal reception following the ceremony.

Concordia would also like to invite veterans, active service members and their families to a complimentary lunch served in the university's cafeteria. Veterans, active service members and their families should RSVP for the event with

Shannon MacLellan at 995-4892 or macles@cuuaa.edu.

Concordia University will host a number of service members from all branches of the military. Confirmed attendee notices have arrived from the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti VFW posts, United States Coast Guard Search and Rescue, Ann Arbor American Legion, Ypsilanti Medical National Guard Unit, Ann Arbor's Army Reserve Training Center and the Army, Navy and Marine Corps Recruiters.

Anyone interested in donating to or sponsoring the may contact the CUAA Office of Development at 995-7317.

The University of Michigan ROTC program's Joint Forces ROTC Honor Guard, composed of seven cadets from the Army, Air Force and Navy ROTCs, will participate in flag ceremonies. During the chapel service, the ROTC Honor Guard will receive an American flag that was flown at the Michigan Capitol Building, which will then be transported to the flagpole.

The Honor Guard will lower the old flag, fold it and present it to a representative of the VFW American Legion Post 46. The old flag will be retired in a private ceremony by the VFW American Legion at a later date. The Honor Guard will then raise the flag from the capitol building in honor of Michigan's veterans and service members.

The 338th U.S. Army Field Band, a group stationed at the 83rd Infantry Division Memorial U.S. Army Reserve Center in Whitehall, Ohio and in Livonia, will have 20 members play with the Concordia University Wind Ensemble. The bands will assemble at the flagpole in preparation for the music performed for the flag raising ceremony.

Miss Michigan 2009 Nicole Blaszczyk will deliver an address to those in attendance.

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Red Cross much more than a blood bank

By Jeremy Allen
Heritage Newspapers

The symbol that adorns their service trucks, buildings and uniforms is one of the most recognizable in the field of health care and social services, but the breadth of services the organization provides is unknown by the average person.

In addition to being the nation's No. 1 collector of blood, the American Red Cross is also the nation's leading emergency response organization thanks to other services the organization provides, such as disaster relief and community disaster education, service to armed forces, and health and safety services.

At the Washtenaw County chapter of the American Red Cross, nearly 1,000 volunteers pull together yearly to provide the community with all of the services described above, as well as many others.

Steve Luedders is a volunteer for the Disaster Action Team at the Washtenaw County chapter of the American Red Cross. The local chapter has made more than 5,100 disaster education presentations across the county, Luedders said, because being prepared can often minimize the destruction and makes families and communities safer.

"We're responsible for providing emergency food, clothing and shelter to families when disasters, such as fires, strike or threaten," Luedders said. "In the case of a fire, we're the second call that comes out by the Huron Valley Ambulance after the fire department is called. We have a team that is assembled of about three or four volunteers who meet up at the center here, then head out to the scene of the accident. We often speak with the victims at the same time the police or fire marshal is addressing them."

"Last year, we responded to 61 residential fires, and last week alone we responded to three in four days."

Unlike many service organizations, the Red Cross doesn't provide used clothing or a food pantry for its disaster victims. Instead, the organization provides the victims with debit cards so they are able to go to grocery stores and clothing stores and purchase their own

food and clothes for up to a week. They also provide housing at local hotels.

"We want to try to uplift the spirits of these victims and allowing the opportunity of normalcy. Being able to shop on their own and purchase what they want to eat and wear, that does a lot for these people who were just hit by disaster."

The team also provides fire department and rescue squads with food and drinks while they battle blazes in the community. The Red Cross was among the first to respond to the Thompson Building fire in Ypsilanti's Depot Town and the Pinball Pete's fire in Ann Arbor, where the American Red Cross provided food for the firefighters during the blaze.

The Red Cross also has a youth outreach program associated with its emergency services programs. Robbie Young is an Americorps volunteer who works with the youth programs dealing with elementary-age children as well as young adults.

"One of our biggest areas of concentration is the Great Escape Program, where we partner with fire departments and do presentations to elementary students about pre-, during- and post-fire skills and what to do in each of those events," Young said. "We talk to them about evacuation plans and having active plans for fire safety. They also get rewards for completion of the courses."

The program also does first aid presentations at schools, libraries, and boys' and girls' clubs across the county. "Ready Man" scout badges are also awarded by the Red Cross.

Another service the Red Cross is responsible for is the emergency services.

Emergency services communicate between members of the armed forces and their families. More than 300 Washtenaw County families use this service to communicate to their loved ones in the armed forces and it's the only congressionally mandated service that requires messages to be transmitted between families and commanding military officers.

"What we do is take calls from families of military service members and transmit emergency messages such as a birth, death or illness

of immediate family members," said specialist Ashley Cieslinski, one of the directors of Emergency Services. "We're a 24-7-365 service, so people can call any time of day and any time of year and we'll be here to field their calls and forward their messages."

After their calls are fielded, Cieslinski said, the messages are electronically transmitted to a message center that the military checks.

"They then contact us and we get confirmation of the illness, birth or death from doctors or churches, then forward that information along to them to be granted leaves of absence to be with their families, or whatever the situation may be," she said. "When everything is working right and the doctors can get back with us quickly, we can have the message to the armed service member in about a day."

Natalie Mobley is a former nurse who has been a volunteer caseworker for the emergency services to the armed forces for almost two years. She said a lot of the news they deliver is sad news, but it's also necessary for the overall well-being of the soldiers.

"We have a great working relationship with all branches of the military and we work directly with the recruiting services departments of the military so we can educate family members about how to contact us in case of an emergency situation," Mobley said. "We have education groups for the families, so we can answer any questions they have."

And then, of course, there's the blood services part of the Red Cross, which most people are familiar with. Jenni Hawes, blood services coordinator for the Washtenaw County chapter, said 38 percent of people in the United States are eligible to give blood, but only 3 to 5 percent of those eligible actually donate blood. In Washtenaw County, eight percent of those eligible actually donate, but there is still a major shortage in blood.

"Washtenaw County alone needs 900 units of blood per day," Hawes said. "We have about 40-60 drives per month between public and private drives, but we need people to continuously donate. One pint



Ron Akers, an Eastern Michigan University student, donates an hour of his time to give blood at the Washtenaw County Red Cross in Ypsilanti. Akers has donated quite a few times over the past few years and says he does so because he said he realizes how important it is to do so. Registered nurse Jane Moffat administers the blood draw.

of blood has the potential to save three lives and the blood that's donated in Washtenaw County stays in Washtenaw County to help people in our communities.

"Over the last year, we were able to collect more than 25,000 units of blood. But a lot of our donor supply is ineligible right now because of travel abroad, sickness or other things. So we love it when people come down and donate. You can do so every 56 days and it only takes about an hour. When you can say you saved three lives by giving one hour of your time, that's a really powerful thing."

Ninety-five percent of the Red Cross staff is volunteers, but the executive director of the organization, Donna Duvin,

said that there are a lot of things people need to remember.

"None of the money we use to operate our services comes from federal funds or anything from the national organization," said Duvin. "All of our operating costs are covered by local donors and gifts. Our goal is to touch as many lives in Washtenaw County by providing a safe community. The only way to do that is with the generosity and support of the donors and the community."

The next major event the chapter will host is a fundraiser to package comfort kits to soldiers in Kuwait. The Red Cross hopes to raise \$5,000 by Tuesday, which will be match by KeyBank, to build 300 kits

for soldier.

For more information about becoming a donor or volunteer, or to learn about other services, visit www.redcross.org.

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Police Briefs

Chelsea police pulled a suspected drunk driver over at 3 a.m. Oct. 11. The man was seen traveling near Main Street and Brown Drive shortly prior to being pulled over. The report did not indicate any other details regarding the Shoreview Drive man.

Someone tried breaking into a vehicle between 9 p.m. Oct. 9 and 9 a.m. the following day.

The 2004 Chevrolet Silverado was parked in the 400 block of Fairways Lane, when someone smashed the passenger side window. The damage is estimated to be about \$200. The owner found nothing missing from the interior. Whoever entered the vehicle searched the vehicle glove box and center console for valuables.

Officers found blood on the passenger's side door arm rest and door lock control. Samples were taken from the blood spots and the investigation remains open.

Chelsea police took possession of a found bicycle at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 9. An area resident brought the Huffy Superia 24 inch purple bicycle after finding it near North Freer Road.

The bike was logged into Chelsea Police Department property until someone comes forward to claim it.

A set of tires was stolen from the 400 block of Freer Road sometime between 10 p.m. Oct. 9 and 9 a.m. the following morning. The homeowner had the tires chained with a half-inch cable and locked to a post near the roadway. They were on display because the owner was selling them. Officers found the cable cut and the four Goodyear GT2 tires were gone. Each tire was on a metallic black rim.

While on a child welfare check Chelsea police spotted a known suspicious individual at the apartments in the 200 block of Wilkinson Street. The man was with a young woman who officers ran through the Law Enforcement Information Network. They found that she had a felony warrant from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Deputies for uttering and publishing out of the 22nd Circuit Court in Ann Arbor. There was no bond on the arrest.

The Grass Lake resident was arrested and placed into custody after the warrant was confirmed with the sheriff's office and she was taken to the county jail.



Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Bavineau's fourth grades at Pierce Lake Elementary are working as partners this year. Students were given an assignment to try to figure out words that were in a poem, after only being given the title of the poem. Once the partners came up with a list of fifteen words, they were given bubble wrap and they then snapped each time their words were read. It was a noisy but fun listening activity for all.

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Lions continue fight to grow, serve mission

Group actively pursues young recruits

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

Every service club is different in its goals and the members it attracts, but one common challenge faces them all.

How do groups such as the Lions Club, which has been around since the beginning of the last century, grow during this century?

Terry Walters of Dexter, governor of Lions District 11 B-1, which includes clubs across Washtenaw County, says the Lions are actively pursuing newer and younger members for a number of reasons.

"We just started a campus club on Eastern Michigan University's campus last March," Walters said.

The club is a success, with 27 members involved in the many activities that younger members demand.

The campus clubs, of which there are two for the Lions (another at Grand Valley State University), hold job fairs, some less formal social gatherings and meetings, all of which are important to appealing to younger potential Lions and accommodating the busy schedule of the not-yet-retired.

"This is such a new thing for us and the Ann Arbor Host Club, which sponsors these campus clubs," said Walters, a retired Saline school administrator. "We're looking at some other new ideas for youth involvement."

Lions at EMU have packed food baskets, wrapped books for senior citizens and read stories to handicapped children.

Younger members are tougher to come by, but when a group such as the Lions gets a hold of them, they find that there is a great demand helping with a slightly less emphasis on dinner events and much less enthusiasm for club meetings.

"Kids today want to be



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involved in the community in some way," Walters said of his newest and youngest members. "They don't have a lot of time. For example, they meet at 10 o'clock at night right now because they all have busy schedules."

Most of the EMU students involved in the campus club had heard about the Lions in their hometowns. Some tell stories about their own grandparents or other family members involved in the club.

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"It's great to have younger people taking Lions experience to whatever career or

town they end up in," Walters said.

Dexter Lions Club member Dick Ulrich says it's tough to get or keep younger members once they're out of college and starting their own life.

"The young people are supporting their kids," Ulrich said. "When I was a kid, we didn't have anything to do in town. We had a few recreation activities and that's all we had, and they would keep you busy for a couple hours in the afternoon and that was it."

These days there are so many activities and responsibilities for people of all ages, it's tough to compete. So it's no wonder that the Dexter Lions are only 23 members strong, Ulrich says.

It's important that organizations like the Lions attract those younger members because the standing membership are getting older and less active, not willfully, but due

to age and having less energy, Ulrich said.

He said Walters and the broader organization are onto something with the campus clubs. Locally, a club like the Dexter Lions is going to try to make Lions membership more accessible.

"One thing we're thinking of doing is to have a separate fundraiser so we can bring the dues down to a little bit more reasonable level and perhaps we could drop the meals down to a more reasonable cost," Ulrich said. "I hope that will attract a few younger people because they are stretched for money and it's not cheap to belong to the Lions."

Ulrich jokes that he never thought he would be paying to volunteer to work. It's fun and good for his soul, he says.

Everyone has their motivations — being kind-hearted, honor, prestige, networking, friendships and tradition, to

name a few.

Walters says there are many appealing factors to working with the Lions to such an extent that exchange students often inquire about their clubs back home.

"We had one young man from India and some girls from Japan ask about Lions Club and if they have them back home," Walters said.

His response is always enthusiastic as the clubs in India, China, Japan and elsewhere in the world are booming as a result of their relative newness, he said.

"They're growing at a much greater rate than the United States."

"India expects 15,500 more new members next year."

In those countries, prestige plays a large part, as well as having a large number of people in need of glasses and other support.

It's also very expensive to join in those countries. In the United States, joining the campus clubs costs \$40 to \$50 and joining a Lions Club can cost anywhere from \$25 to \$75. Some clubs have a family dues structure to attract siblings, parents and spouses.

It's more important than ever to create and sustain new clubs, now that Medicare no longer pays for eyeglasses and the economy has deepened the need further in all demographics.

"I look at the number of eyeglasses that we collect in the U.S. and other countries, and just in our district we might collect 60,000 to 80,000 eyeglasses and that may seem like a lot, but they're gone pretty quick when they go over to somewhere like India," he said. "I think when you start seeing some of the aspects of how we support the visual needs of people, you understand and want to get involved."

One thing that the Lions want to do is help people make the trip from other countries to retrieve leader dogs that the Lions have trained and set aside for them.

Walters talked about a Costa Rican woman who called the club and signed for a leader

dog, which the club provided for free, but there's the matter of travel expenses.

"The problem is that it cost her \$203 to come up and get the dog ... we're looking to have a project to have some of these people brought up."

When he attends a campus club meeting, Walters has hope.

"When you interact with our younger members it's amazing to see what they can do on their own," he says. "It's important that we get them together with their peers, and see what they can do."

He says his pitch for joining the Lions is simple: You become involved in your community, develop relationships that will more than likely last the rest of your life, and there's a sense of pride in understanding all of the vision impairments that the Lions deal with and aiding people in overcoming them — ways that many people would not know or have without the Lions.

Ulrich adds another dimension: "It makes my heart feel good."

Remembering what it was like when he noticed one day in class that he could no longer see the board, Ulrich has his own personal understanding and appreciation of what the Lions do for kids who had their vision fade like him, but no means to acquire glasses to compensate for the vision loss.

He also recalled getting a phone call from a young woman at the University of Michigan Hospital because staff said she couldn't return home until she had a wheelchair ramp. Ulrich called in some fellow Lions and got the job done, proving that Lions will help anybody.

"We went down and built that sucker in six hours."

"It's not the greatest ramp in the world, but she was able to go home to her husband," Ulrich said.

"You see these young kids getting involved in this too and it feels great. I'm 70 years old and it's just good feeling medicine ... it's as good as pills for the heart."

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Going to the birds

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Marion Benton could be a poster child for poultry. But it wasn't always that way. In fact, Benton, assistant poultry superintendent for the Washtenaw County 4-H Youth Show, once harbored a strong dislike for chickens.

Then, six years ago, the Chelsea-area resident and her daughter, Grace, joined the Rogers Corners Herdsmen 4-H Club, starting with goats, then adding rabbits, fancy poultry, meat chickens and swine. "Being in 4-H was a great learning experience and led Grace to a career choice of animal science," Benton says. "4-H teaches responsibility, and younger kids look up to the older kids."

"Grace and I learned about many species of farm animals and she learned the responsibility of taking care of her animals and to have a successful breeding program with her poultry and rabbits."

The 4-H program gave Grace, who won awards at the Chelsea Community Fair and Washtenaw County 4-H Show, opportunities to become involved with the community by taking small animals to visit residents at Silver Maples of Chelsea and the St. Louis Center, located west of Chelsea. A 2009 graduate of Chelsea High School, Grace is now majoring in animal science at South Dakota State University.

With her daughter away at college, Benton has taken charge of the poultry and rabbits.

"I never really liked chickens before Grace talked me into getting them and local breeder Mike Stapish provided our first pair of Salmon Faverolle Bantams," she says.

"I now truly love having them. I also have Black Faverolle Bantams and Golden-laced Polish Bantams and Golden-laced Polish Frizzle Bantams."

Poultry upkeep is minimal. Benton cleans the coops every couple of weeks and worms the birds twice a year.

"It's a very peaceful place to go at the end of a stressful day," she says. "I enjoy collecting eggs and sitting and watching the birds go about their day looking for good things to eat."

"They definitely have their own language, such as the call to everyone that they've found something good to eat and the raucous joy of laying an egg and the whole flock joining in the celebration."

Some of the older chickens have names. Lynette, a Black Faverolle, is queen of the yard and Prince, a Salmon Faverolle, is first mate in the pecking order.

"It's fun to watch them all go on the roost at night with constant juggling and knocking each other down until everyone is happy with who they are roosting next to," she says.

Benton gives fertilized eggs to Chelsea elementary schools for science projects. Hatched chicks are returned to her.

In October, she won Best of Breed and Reserved Best of Breed at Grandpa Tiny's Frankenmuth Fowl Fest, Michigan's largest annual poultry exhibition.

Faverolles, an old French breed dating from the 1850s, are "heritage bred," meaning there are only a few in the world, Benton says. The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy lists the breed as critical, with fewer than 500 breeding birds in the United States. The Polish breed, with fewer than 5,000 breeding birds in the country, is on the watch list.



Chelsea-area resident Marion Benton, assistant poultry superintendent for the Washtenaw County 4-H, breeds rare Salmon Faverolle Bantams, as well as Black Faverolle Bantams, Golden-laced Polish Bantams and Golden-laced Polish Frizzle Bantams.

on owning Salmon Faverolle Bantams. "The future of the Faverolle is dependent on younger breeders continuing to raise this beautiful, friendly backyard fowl," Benton says. "I was

pleased to give a rooster and two hens to Travis. I know he'll be a great steward of the breed. He likes this breed for its friendliness, body size, and really cool feathers."

"It was a pleasure to give him the birds just as Mike Stapish gave us my daughter's first pair."

As assistant poultry superintendent for the Washtenaw County 4-H Youth

Show, Benton is responsible for the health and wellness of birds and the youngsters. She helps make sure the show runs smoothly, finds judges and creates show rules.

She also is a certified Pullorum tester, conducting blood tests on all the birds entered at 4-H and at the Chelsea Community Fair for the contagious, often fatal disease of young poultry, caused by the bacterium salmonella pullorum. The disease, usually transmitted by infected hens through their eggs, affects chickens most commonly, but also infects turkeys, game birds, guinea fowls, sparrows, parrots, ringdoves, ostriches and peafowl.

When she's not raising chickens, Benton works in the dietary

department of the Chelsea Retirement Community, primarily in the Bistro sandwich shop. "I enjoy talking with the residents, hearing about their lives and watching the amazing social network of the retire-

ment community. It's fun getting to know the residents and staff that come to the bistro daily."

Sheila Pursglove is a freelance writer. She can be reached at bingley51@yahoo.com.



Marion Benton is passing the Best of Breed Salmon to Travis Matts, a middle school student in Milan and member of Milan's Hickory Hill 4-H Club.

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SRSly youth 'shock' Chelsea

Group warns adults about the dangers of buying alcohol for minors

Adults in Chelsea may be faced with some shocking information the next time they buy beer in town.

Small green stickers that read, "It is illegal to purchase/provide alcohol to minors. Fines are up to \$2,500 or 1 year in jail," now cover cases of beer in stores, and individual bottles in some restaurants.

For the third time in 12 months, the SRSly Coalition held Project Sticker Shock on Wednesday Oct. 14. Project Sticker Shock aims to educate adults who might purchase alcohol for minors, and deter them from doing so.

With support from the Chelsea Police Department and the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, 100 percent of local businesses that sell alcohol participated in Project Sticker Shock. Over 50 Chelsea High School students and 12 adults volunteered for the event, which took place two days before Homecoming.

"I wanted to raise awareness," said CHS senior and Link Leader Katie Menge. As a member of Link Crew, Menge and her fellow leaders tried to get as many freshmen as possible to participate in Project Sticker Shock.

"I participated in Sticker Shock because I wanted to help adults understand the consequences for buying alcohol for minors, and I want to keep kids safe," explained Julianna Ameal, a senior at CHS and member of Link Crew.

Using data from the Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth survey conducted in 2006, SRSly identified adult approval of underage drinking and easy access to alcohol as high priority risk factors here in Chelsea.

According to the 2006 survey, only 2 percent of Chelsea teens that drink buy the alcohol for themselves in a store. The remaining 98 percent get alcohol from adult friends or relatives, including parents.

One customer at the Mark IV Lounge at Chelsea Lanes read the sticker on her bottle of beer, and expressed her sup-

port for the project.

"My neighbor used to give her kids and their friends beer, and let them drink at home. I thought it was absolutely ridiculous!" she explained.

"Thank you so much for doing this."

"I think people will learn something new from the stickers," said freshmen volunteer Ella Fritzemeier.

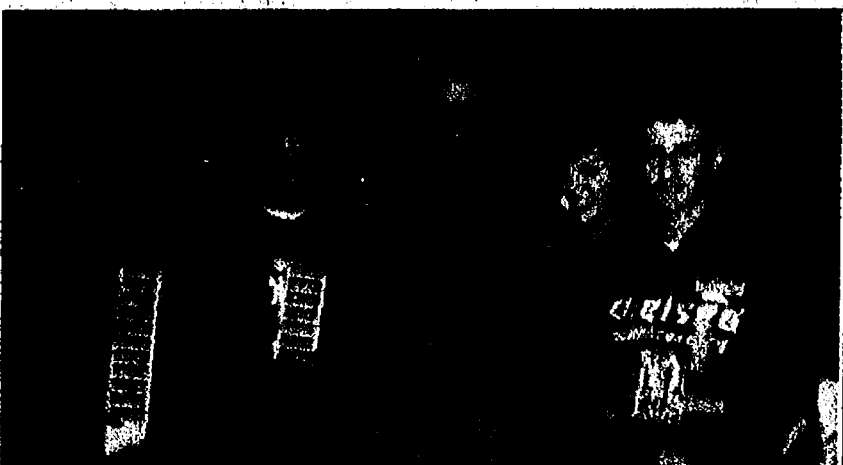
After they finished placing over 4,000 stickers in 19 Chelsea businesses, volunteers celebrated and shared stories at a party hosted by

the Comfort Inn, who donated space, drinks, and supplies.

Local businesses including Thompson's Pizzeria, Cottage Inn, Jet's, Arctic Breakaway, Pierce's Pastries Plus, Zou Zou's, CL's Takeout, Las Fuentes, Wolverine Food and Spirits, and Common Grill donated food for the party.

SRSly does Project Sticker Shock two times per year: before CHS Homecoming in the fall, and Prom in the spring.

For more information, go to www.srslychelsea.org.



Homecoming Fun



Photos
by Mark
Bogarin



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor: The family of Anna Herter has not spoken out publicly about her tragic death until now. The article "Felony charges against Chelsea teenager dropped" in the Oct. 15 edition of The Chelsea Standard has prompted us to speak out on Anna's behalf and to set the record straight.

The article incorrectly stated "the group of teens drank alcohol and smoked marijuana at Smallwood's home."

The toxicology report by the medical examiner showed that neither Anna nor Ian Hughes had any marijuana in their systems. Anna did not smoke marijuana on the evening of her death. This is a fact, not an opinion, as toxicology reports do not lie.

The family of Anna Herter is outraged that Judge Shelton dropped the felony charge of "allowing intoxicated persons to operate a motor vehicle causing death" against Eric Smallwood. Ian's blood alcohol level was .12 at the time of his death. That is 1 1/2 times the legal limit and is proof he was greatly impaired at the time of the accident. Anna was a beautiful sweet 16-year-old girl that died in a senseless accident.

We hold the Smallwoods accountable for her death because the accident could have been prevented had: 1) Eric not provided his motorcycle to Ian to drive while intoxicated, and 2) Eric's mother, Deborah Smallwood, not knowingly allow underage drinking in her home.

The testimony given under oath by Flora Hay at the preliminary hearing for Eric Smallwood on April 23, 2009 backs up both of the above points. I noted the testimony word for word and have referenced the notes to ensure the accuracy of these statements. We do not feel that we will ever know exactly what happened the evening of Anna's death as the stories we have been told just do not add up.

Anna and Ian were left dead by the side of a dirt road for 12 hours before they were found the next morning. Anna's cell phone was always with her and it has never been

recovered, although after her death on that Nov. 7 evening someone placed calls from Anna's cell phone. Anna's friends and her friend's parents knew Anna was missing that evening and never bothered to report her missing to the police or let her mother know she was missing. This is still unbelievable and incomprehensible to us. Part of the healing process is getting some closure, something we will most likely never get.

Eric Smallwood's family hired a slick criminal attorney, Joe Simon, who cast doubt regarding the time of the accident and about who was actually driving the motorcycle at the time of the accident, and that led to Judge Shelton's decision to dismiss the felony charge. It would not have been possible for Anna to drive that motorcycle, she was simply too small and had a leg deformity that would have prevented her from being able to operate a large motorcycle. Ian's blood-alcohol level would have been much lower if they had been out riding for hours before the accident as Simon suggested. Ian's high blood-alcohol level proves the accident happened earlier in the evening shortly after drinking alcohol.

The Herter family has never received an apology from Eric or Deborah Smallwood for their role in Anna's death. They get to go on living their lives with no consequences for their actions by using loopholes in the law while Anna never gets to graduate from Chelsea High School this upcoming spring with her class, she never gets to experience getting married, having a family of her own, and all of the other little and big things in life that most of us take for granted.

Anna was a good young lady with the most beautiful smile and sweet disposition. If you would like to see justice for Anna please write a letter on her behalf to: Judge Donald Shelton, 101 E. Huron St., PO BOX 8645, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-8645.

Anna was and always will be

deeply loved and missed by her family.

(Editor's note: Most of Anita Herter's comments are based on testimony she heard firsthand during a preliminary trial for Eric Smallwood.)

Anita Herter
Anna's aunt

To the Editor: I'm concerned about the approach that has been taken regarding the preservation of the Livery, and have a few questions.

Chelsea has excelled at keeping our history and heritage intact. Raising the question, why not now? What is different about this building, this situation? We have made more dire situations work in the past. Take the Sylvan Hotel for instance. How long was it vacant before it was revived into its current life? It sat, not contributing to the tax base for years. Now it is a functioning part of the downtown landscape again.

The Clocktower building and the factory building behind it were found in similar condition and yet saved to become part of the heritage of Chelsea. Given the opportunity, the Livery can be the same.

So then what is the difference? It's not motivation or support. The residents of Chelsea have made it clear that there is an interest in the building, at least to make every effort to preserve it for future generations. The petition submitted to the City Council along with the public willingness to seek out the "win-win" solution should be enough for a stay of demolition.

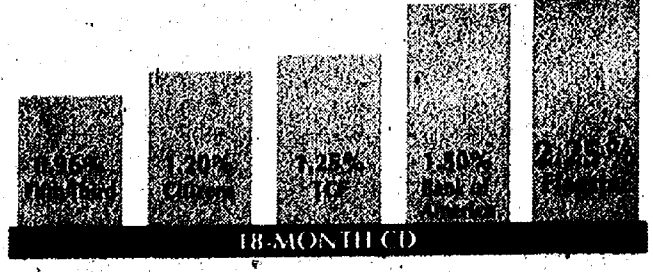
The difference is the projects I listed above were independently financed. So what is the solution? Last week an article regarding the Livery quoted several comments from Joseph Merkel Jr. who proposed, in my opinion, a very workable solution to the issue, volunteering to head the effort pro bono. A collaboration of the three interested groups is exactly the type solution I expect from my local government.

The main part of the proposal is a stay of demolition of one year this would give the time necessary to research and secure funds to make the "win-win future" Mr. Merkel talked about a reality.

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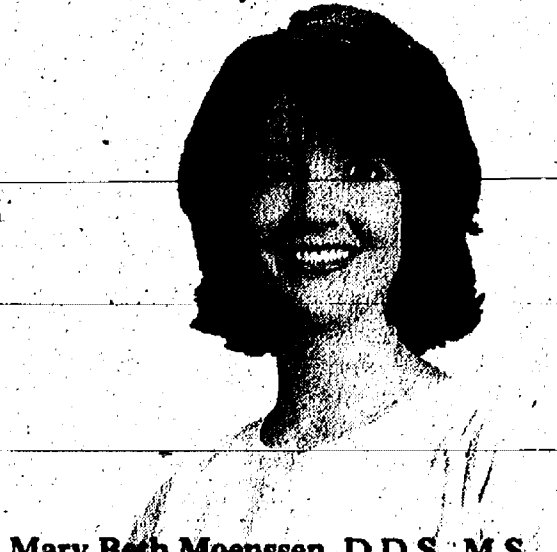


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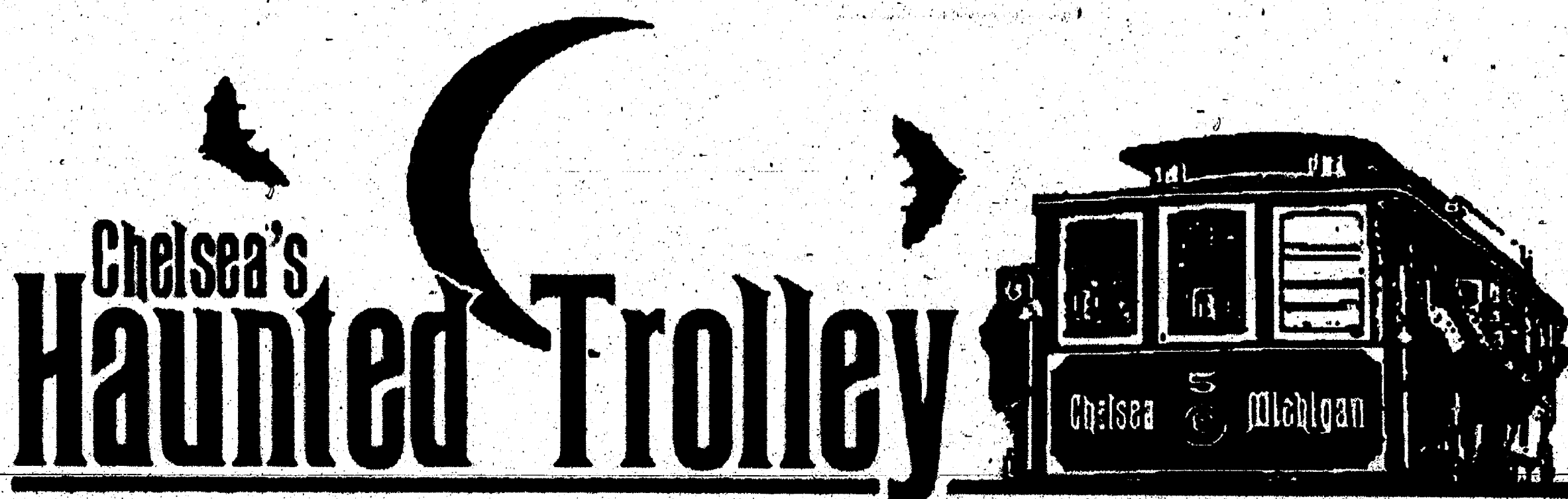
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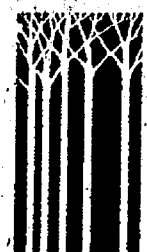
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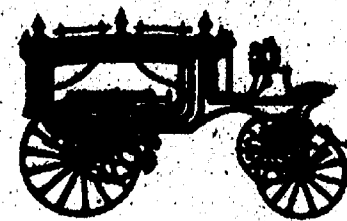
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Pumpkin contest

Chelsea Family Dentistry presents the third annual "CARVIN' FOR THE KIDS" pumpkin carving contest.

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The maximum pumpkin size is 42 inches circumference. Judging will be done by local "trick or treaters" from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday. Pumpkins will be displayed in front of Chelsea Family Dentistry.

Entries can be dropped off at the office (123 South Street) from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. tomorrow or from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Please call 475-8500 if other arrangements need to be made. All pumpkins must be received by 4 p.m. Saturday to be included in the contest.

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Official hours

If you're really into Halloween or love the fall season and live in Dexter, you're in luck. For starters everyone should know that the village's official trick or treat hours are from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Business treats

Those who can't get enough tricks or treats can visit the businesses in downtown Dexter anytime from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Those who come are encouraged to wear their costume and search for balloons in order to differentiate participating businesses.

Kiwanis party

The Dexter Kiwanis Club is also throwing their annual Halloween party Saturday at Mill Creek Middle School.

There will be games, prizes, a costume contest and a juggler followed by pizza, cider and doughnuts.

The party begins at 6:30 p.m. at Mill Creek Middle School, 7305 Ann Arbor Road and runs

until 9:30 p.m.

Wear a costume, admission is free and all are welcome.

Circle K members from the University of Michigan and Key Club members from Dexter High School will all be on hand to help put on this very worthwhile event.

Cider mills

The Dexter Cider Mill is opened all weekend from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., located at 3685 Central Street.

Dexter's cider mill is the oldest operating in the state, and offers fresh apples, doughnuts, caramel apples and other treats.

Over the weekend those dressed as goblins will find that the mill also sells apple pies made from scratch, apple strudels, apple turnovers and hand-rolled gingersnaps as weekend specials.

Jenny's Farm Market is also set up north of the viaduct on Island Lake and Dexter-Pinckney Road.

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A representative from each group will have a chance to make a brief presentation about what their group does, what it is working on or planning to do and where they could use some help. This can be a catalyst for cross-pollination of ideas and actions. For individuals looking to get involved or just become more aware, this will be the marketplace of action.

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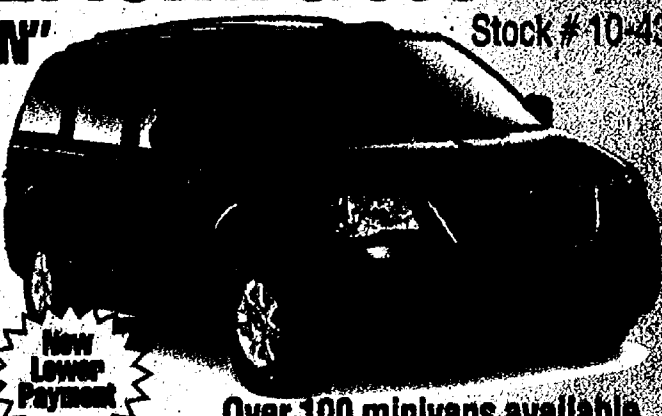
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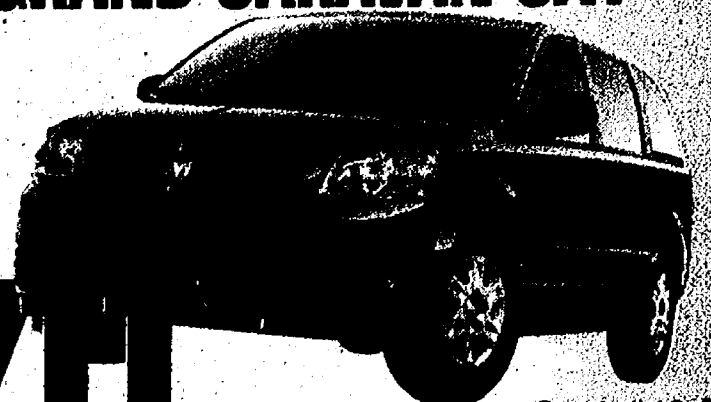
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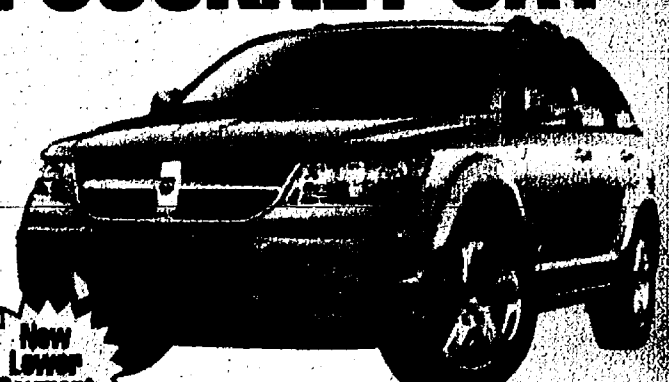
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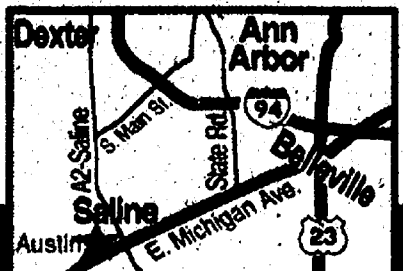
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Chelsea runners place second

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea's boys' cross country team placed second at the final Southeastern Conference Jamboree last Thursday at Hudson Mills Metropark.

The Bulldogs recorded 41 points.

Capturing the overall title was Dexter with 35 points.

Adrian was third with 78 points, while Tecumseh was fourth with 97 points.

"We ran great," said Chelsea

"What a wonderful way to finish off the season. Ten of our 16 runners had lifetime best performances. We came very close to upsetting Dexter for the SEC final championship. I am proud of our improvement."

ERIC SWAGER

Chelsea Cross Country Coach

coach Eric Swager. "What a wonderful way to finish off the season. Ten of our 16 runners had lifetime best performances. We came very close to upsetting Dexter for the SEC final championship. I am proud of our improvement."

In the final SEC White Division standings, Dexter placed first followed by Chelsea in second. Tecumseh was third, while Adrian was fourth, Ypsilanti fifth and Ypsilanti Lincoln sixth.

Leading the Bulldogs individually last week was August Pappas who repeated as SEC champion finishing first overall with a time of 16:05.

Bryce Bradley ended up third overall with a clocking of 16:36, while Joe Hewitt was 10th with a lifetime best 17:18 and Kevin Stockwell 11th with a lifetime best 17:19 for Chelsea.

Pappas, Bradley and Stockwell each earned first team All-SEC honors.

Geoff Smith-Wooliams was 16th in 17:35, while Spencer Cone was 24th in a lifetime best 18:25 and Avery Osentoski 30th in a lifetime best 18:57.

Smith-Wooliam was named second team All-SEC for the Bulldogs.

In the JV race, Kyle Hughes led Chelsea placing 65th with a personal best time of 19:02.

Sean Owsley was 68th in a personal best 19:08, while Martin Harris was 80th in a personal best 19:29 and Austin Gray 97th in a personal best 19:37 for the Bulldogs.

Charlie Miller ended up 118th in a personal best 20:02, while Shane McGrath was 120th in 20:05. Adrian Schuh 128th in 20:28, Austin Horn 146th in a personal best 21:12 and Sam Christie 164th in 22:11 for Chelsea.

Swager said his squad is gearing up for a strong showing at Saturday's Division 2 state regional meet at Hudson High School.

"Another effort like this is required Saturday at regionals for us to advance to the state finals," he said.

The state meet is Nov. 7 at Michigan International Speedway.

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Members of Chelsea's equestrian state championship team include, coach Lucy Helmerdinger (left), Rachel Aughton, Tonya Helmerdinger, Tori Bancroft, Micayla Zynda, Megan Hardcastle and coach Colleen Fleeman.

State Champs!

Chelsea riders state's best

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's equestrian team captured a state championship Oct. 15 through 18 in Midland.

The five-member Bulldog equestrian B team participated in the state final against 40 squads from throughout Michigan.

Chelsea's riders competed in 17 events. Each Bulldog team member had to ride in at least eight events proving Chelsea's versatility and overall skill and talent.

The four-day state final is a tough competition. The Bulldogs proved their mettle by improving throughout the event.

At the end of the first day of competition, Chelsea found itself in fourth place overall.

By the conclusion of the second day, the Bulldogs were still in fourth spot. After the third day, Chelsea moved up to third place overall, only 60 points out of first place.

On the fourth day of the state final competition, the Bulldog riders performed well in Saddle Seat Pattern grabbing two first-place finishes, two second-place marks, a fifth



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Chelsea's Tori Bancroft competes on her horse Bug during the state championship event in Midland Oct. 15 through 18.

place and an eighth place. With its strong showing in Saddle Seat Pattern, Chelsea moved closer to first place overall, trailing the leader by only 18 points.

Through grit and determination, the Bulldogs were able to surpass the leader and by the end of the fourth day of competition, Chelsea had proved itself as the best equestrian team in the state.

"This is truly something these riders will remember

for the rest of their lives," said Chelsea coach Lucy Helmerdinger. "Everything they did all weekend mattered. They never quit, they never lost their positive attitudes and they never forgot how to treat other people."

To reach the final competition, Chelsea, like it did to win the state hardware, pulled out a regional championship on the last day and a won the dis-

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Chelsea defeats Salines, preps for playoff game

Hill plays big role in 34-21 victory at home

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Despite a constant drizzle and chilly temperatures, Chelsea defeated Southeastern Conference rival Saline 34-21 last Friday night at Jerry Niehaus Field.

With the victory over the Hornets (3-6), the Bulldogs (7-2) concluded their regular season. Chelsea now sets its sights on the state playoffs. The Bulldogs have qualified for the state post-season 11 consecutive years.

First up for Chelsea in the Division 3 playoffs is Carleton Airport. The Jets (7-2) finished in second place in Huron League this past season.

The Bulldogs will have to hit the road to face Airport, however. The district first round playoff match-up kicks off 7 p.m. Friday at Airport's field.

Against Saline, Chelsea piled up 360 total yards of offense, including 191 yards on the ground.

The Bulldogs jumped out to a 13-0 first quarter lead.

With 9:34 left in the opening frame, senior tight end Nigel Schuh hauled in a 33-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Brian Paulsen. With the point after touchdown kick by junior Charlie Hess, Chelsea led 7-0 early in the game.

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Five minutes later, senior receiver Jesse Forner scored on a 74-yard pass from junior Nate Udell increasing the Bulldogs' advantage to 13-0.

At 9:38 of the second quarter, Saline's Garrett Gordon scored on a 4-yard run. Mike Slater kicked the extra point bringing the Hornets closer at 13-7.

With 13 seconds left in the first half, senior halfback Nick Hill scored on a 14-yard pass from Paulsen. Hess split the uprights and Chelsea led 20-7 at the half.

To begin the third quarter, Gordon scored on a 2-yard run for the Hornets. Slater was successful on the extra point kick making the score 20-14 with 8:24 remaining in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs answered three minutes later as Forner scored his second touchdown of the night on a 6-yard run. Hess hit the kick building Chelsea's lead to 27-14 with 5:30 left in the third quarter.

With 4:17 on the third quarter clock, Saline struck back with a 6-yard run by Gordon, his third TD of the game. Slater kicked the extra point making the score 27-21.

In the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs put the game away as Hill scored on a 15-yard run. With 5:33 remaining in the game, Hess kicked the PAT for the night's final 34-21 margin.

Hill finished with 136 yards rushing on 25 attempts to lead

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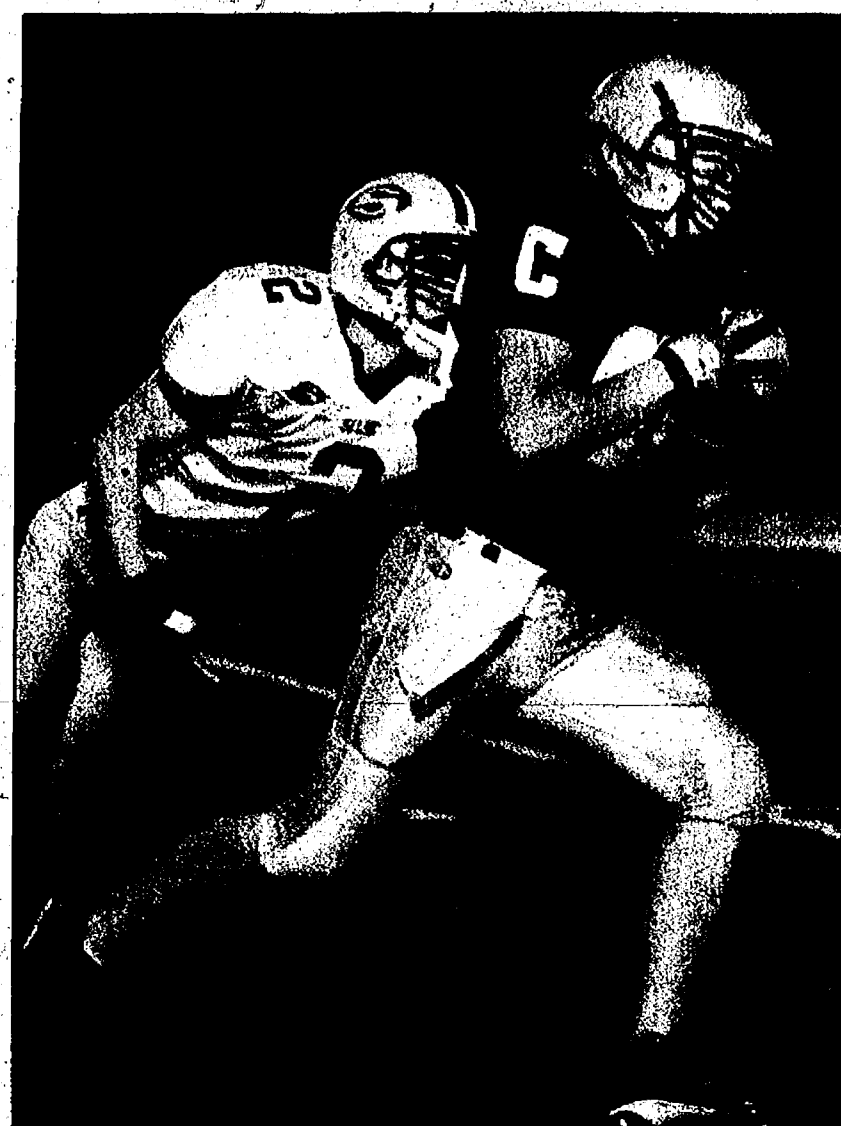


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Chelsea's Nigel Schuh hauls in a pass in front of Saline's Chris Capraro during last Friday's 34-21 over the Hornets.

Dahl leads Bulldogs at league race

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's girls' cross country team finished second at the final Southeastern Conference Jamboree at Hudson Mills Metropark last Thursday.

The Bulldogs ended up with 49 points.

Winning the meet was Dexter with 23 points.

Ypsilanti was third with 88 points, while Adrian was fourth with 103 points, Tecumseh fifth with 123 points and Ypsilanti Lincoln sixth with 156 points.

"We ran a great race," said Chelsea coach Pat Clarke. "The weather was kind of nasty, but the girls seemed to run well. In the varsity race, five of the seven runners had PRs (personal records) for the Hudson

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Mills course."

Individually for Chelsea, sophomore Danielle Dahl led the way with a fourth-place finish in 20:26.

Sophomore Jessi Battaglia was sixth in 20:37, while senior Julie Beaumont was 12th in 20:15 and sophomore Elaine Johnson 13th in 21:20 for the Bulldogs.

Senior Courtney Maher was 14th in 21:20, while junior Samantha Newbound was 15th

in 21:25 and junior Corinne Carpenter 17th in 21:52 for Chelsea.

Dahl, Battaglia and Beaumont

"We will need a peak effort if we plan on qualifying for the state meet. There will be six high quality teams in the regional. We will have to beat four of them to qualify."

PAT CLARKE

Chelsea Girls Cross Country Coach

each received first team All-SEC recognition for their efforts.

Making second team All-SEC for the Bulldogs were Johnson, Maher, Newbound and Carpenter.

"Hopefully we can peak our efforts at next week's regional meet at Hudson High School," Clarke said. "We will need a

peak effort if we plan on qualifying for the state meet. There will be six high quality teams in the regional. We will have to beat four of them to qualify."

In the JV race, Kennedy Aldrich paced Chelsea finishing 18th in 21:51. Ella Fritzemeier was 25th in a lifetime best 21:59, while Megan Hall was 54th in 23:13 and Lauren Zigman 60th in 23:25 for

the Bulldogs.

Gwen Hubbard ended up 78th in 24:10, while Emily Cottrell was 80th in 24:13, Jenna McGrath 168th in 26:41 and Olivia Hagerman 188th in 29:20 for Chelsea.

Heading into the regional meet Saturday, Clarke said his team is looking strong.

"We have had a season of continued improvement which is very gratifying to an old coach," he said. "I am very proud of this group of young ladies. They will have to improve one more time if we are to even have a shot at being in the state meet on Nov. 7."

The state final is at Michigan International Speedway.

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PREP SPORTS IN FOCUS: GABRIEL ARAUJO

Brazil to Ypsi

Prep tennis star adjusts to new surroundings

By Jana Miller
Sports Writer

Moving to a new place and a new high school as a senior can be tough. You're bound to miss your friends and your home and the comforts you are accustomed to.

Gabriel Araujo is a new edition to Ypsilanti's senior class as a foreign-exchange student from Recife, Brazil. He is also one of the best tennis players in the area and qualified individually for the Division 2 state tournament.

That's one thing that definitely did not get lost in translation.

Head Ypsilanti coach Rob Smothers didn't know the quality of player he would be getting, but couldn't wait to get going once he did.

"There are a lot of people that will speak higher of themselves than they actually are talent wise," Smothers said. "So when I got an email from him saying he was coming here and he was a good player, I didn't want to get my hopes up."

"When I actually first saw him play with no expectations, I knew right away it was going to be a special season for him and for our school," he said.

It was a special season. Araujo won the No. 1 singles crown on the Ypsilanti squad's lineup and proceeded to not drop a single set the entire season until the match he lost in the state tournament.

The sets he won weren't close either. The closest match he played prior to states was a 6-2, 6-2 win at regionals.

As a result, Smothers set Araujo up with various playing partners throughout the year who could challenge him. Smothers is a former Eastern

Tale of two cities

City: Ypsilanti, Michigan, United States, North America
Nickname: Ypsi
Population: 22,362 inhabitants

Average Temperatures: 15 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit
Size: 4.5 square miles
Language: English

City: Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil, South America
Nickname: The Venice of Brazil

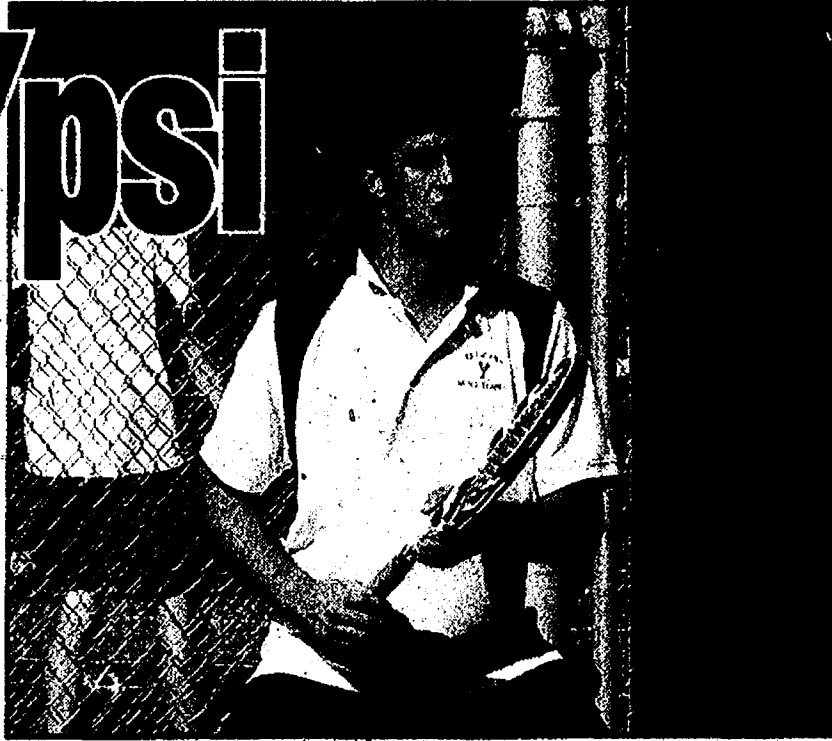
Population: 7,768,902 inhabitants
Average Temperatures: 75 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit
Size: Over 1,060 square miles
Language: Portuguese

Michigan University club tennis president and a tennis professional at Chippewa Club. He brought in area players from Eastern and Chippewa to challenge his No. 1 seed.

Araujo came to Ypsilanti through the Youth for Understanding student exchange program. He had dreams of earning a college tennis scholarship, but needed more practice in the English language. He is also required to take and pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), as well as take the ACT and/or the SAT to play for a college.

"I'll do whatever I can to help him get a college scholarship because he definitely deserves it," coach Smothers said. "He is also a very mature, calm and collected young man and a really great addition to the team on and off the court. It was a pleasure to have him."

Upon speaking with Araujo,



Gabriel Araujo is a new edition to Ypsilanti's senior class as a foreign-exchange student from Recife, Brazil.

he is quick to say his English isn't up to speed yet, but once you get him talking about tennis he gets cheerier and opens up.

The 17-year-old Araujo said he started playing when he was eight years old and is excited at the prospect of playing in college. He will be working on his game with coach Smothers during the winter and spring at the Chippewa Club in Ypsilanti.

Smothers and Araujo have also teamed up to get Araujo playing competitively in tournaments again. The Brazil native signed up for the United States Tennis Association (USTA) and will be playing in several USTA tournaments this year, including at least two in November and three in December.

"He is going to play in as many tournaments as he can," Smothers said. "College recruiters look a lot at USTA rankings, so we'll get him in tournaments and hitting as much as he can. It's the best way for him to get noticed."

Thankfully when Araujo plays USTA tournaments this winter, he will finally return to the indoors. That means he no longer has to deal with the relatively frigid temperatures of Michigan weather.

"In Brazil, between December and January it is 30 to 32 degrees Celsius. Here I saw the coldest temperature of my life,"

Araujo said. He means it too. The 30 to 32 degree temperatures in Celsius are roughly 85 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit.

He literally experienced the coldest day of his life at the state tournament with temperatures that plunged to the low 40s.

That is partially why he struggled. He ended up falling in round No. 2 to the eventual state runner-up, Midland Dow's Juan Guerra, (6-4, 6-4) after taking down a player from Holly (6-1, 6-1).

"The weather was a big hurdle for him," said Smothers. "It was the coldest temperature of his life and very windy. Those conditions combined with the kid he played, who was very consistent and athletic, negated some of Gabe's weapons."

It was still a great season, however, and the year for Araujo has just begun. In a very short time he affected the Ypsilanti program in a big way.

"I believe it has already had a positive impact on the other kids on the team because it brought attention and a little more respect to our school and program," Smothers said. "Ypsilanti isn't known as the tennis powerhouse, but he rubbed off on the kids and they all played better. We were only two matches away from qualifying for states as a team,

Each week, Heritage Newspapers will take a closer look at some of the top prep athletes in the region. Here are some of the standouts from local schools.

FEATURED ATHLETES

Josh Moffat



One of the area's top tennis players, Chelsea senior Josh Moffat has been a dominant force in the Southeastern Conference the past two years. Moffat, who helped lead the Bulldogs to a 7-3-2 overall record this season and a SEC White Division championship, finished the year with an individual record of 15-14. Chelsea's No. 1 singles player, Moffat, who was named the Bulldogs' MVP this season, reached the Division 3 state tournament second round this year. Moffat defeated St. Clair's Jeremy Carrell 6-2, 6-1 in the first round of the Division 3 final before losing to the No. 5 seed Aurko Joshi of Detroit Country Day 6-2, 6-2 in the second round.

Robert Partarrieu



A fixture at No. 1 singles for Dexter, Robert Partarrieu has been a thorn in area opponents' sides the past few years. A hard-hitting right-hander, Partarrieu, who earned the Dreadnaughts' Coaches Award for his leadership and talent this season, helped spark Dexter to a 15th-place finish at the Division 2 state final tournament Oct. 16 through 17 in Canton. Behind Partarrieu, the Dreadnaughts have qualified for the state tournament four straight years. A co-captain for Dexter, Partarrieu advanced to the second round of the state tournament before bowing out.

Will BeDell



Playing the No. 1 singles position for Saline this year was Will BeDell. The junior and had a very successful year, including a big win in the quarterfinals of the regional tournament over Steven Ma of Woodhaven in three sets. The Saline tennis program is one of the top in the country and competes regularly with the always state-bound Ann Arbor school. He played against the No. 1 seeds from Pioneer, Huron and Ypsilanti this season with close games. He has trained all over Ann Arbor at places like Huron Valley Tennis Club and Travis Pointe Tennis Club. His father, Andy BeDell, is the head coach of the program. Will hopes to take his leadership to a college program.

which hasn't been done since the Reagan years. It was a very special season and I think a lot of that had to do with

ration Gabe brought." Staff Writer Jana Miller can be reached at 429-7380 or jmiller@heritage.com.

State playoffs begin for area gridiron teams

Well, the high school football regular season is over. Where has the time gone, huh? It just seems like yesterday Ann Arbor Huron and Chelsea were kicking off at Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson Stadium in the Big Day Prep Showdown.

After nine weeks, the dust has finally settled and the football state playoff pairings have been announced. The second season, of sorts, begins for five Heritage Newspapers-West coverage area teams. Out of the 12 area squads, only five are left standing and preparing to play in the first round of the state playoffs. To earn a state championship, a team must go 5-0 during the next five weeks. The two-day, eight division state championship finals are Nov. 27 through 28 at Ford Field in downtown Detroit.

In Division 1, Ann Arbor Pioneer (7-2) hosts Southeastern Conference Red Division rival Temperance Bedford (7-2) in its playoff opener Friday at 7 p.m. The Pioneers lost to the Kicking Mules 28-21 in Week 5 of the

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regular season. The winner of Pioneer-Bedford will square off against the victor of Plymouth (6-3)-Canton (8-1) in the district championship contest.

In Division 3, Milan (6-3), a member of the Huron League, travels to Adrian (8-1), who competes in the SEC, for its postseason opener Friday at 7 p.m. Also, Friday at 7 p.m., Chelsea, another SEC team, visits Carleton Airport (7-2), out of the Huron League. The winner of each game will play

each other in the district final. Airport defeated Milan 49-21 in Week 3, while Adrian beat Chelsea 25-22 in Week 4.

In Division 5, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard (8-1), champions of the Detroit Catholic League Intersectional Division, travel to Jackson Lumen Christi (8-1) out of the Big 16 Southwestern Michigan Athletic Conference East for a match-up Friday 7 p.m. at Withington Stadium in Jackson. If successful against the Titans, the Fighting Irish would play the winner of Stockbridge (8-1)-Onsted (8-1) in the district title game.

In Division 6, Manchester (8-1), champions of the Cascades Conference, host fellow league member Grass Lake (7-2) Friday at 7 p.m. The Dutchmen defeated the Warriors 29-6 in Week 7. The winner plays the victor of Adrian Madison (6-3)-Clinton (8-1). Clinton's lone loss this season came against Manchester in Week 1 20-14.

Let the quest for a state championship begin.

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Micayla Zynda and her horse Fizz ride during the state championship event earlier this month.

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trict title on the last day. Members of this season's Bulldog state champion equestrian team included Megan Hardcastle, Rachel Aughton, Tori Bancroft, Tonya Heimerdinger and Micayla Zynda.

A senior and captain, Hardcastle is a four-year equestrian veteran. Along with her horse, Dominique, Hardcastle took top state honors in Saddle Seat and Saddle Seat Pattern this season. On another horse, Quick Draw, Hardcastle ranked in the state's top 10 in numerous events this year.

A senior, Aughton is another four-year rider for Chelsea. In 2007, she was a key member of

the Bulldog team that reached the regional competition. With her pony, Jack, Aughton earned top placings in speed events for the Bulldogs. Riding her eventing horse, Flash, Aughton finished in the state's top five in jumping.

A junior and captain, Bancroft is in her third year on the Chelsea equestrian team. With her sport pony, Ladybug, Bancroft earned top 10 state placings in Hunt Seat, Western Bareback, Saddle Seat Equitation, Western Riding Pattern, Showmanship and speed events. Bancroft helped the Bulldogs win the state title with her performance in Saddle Seat Bareback.

A sophomore, Heimerdinger

has been on the Chelsea equestrian team for two years. With her horse, Niquita, Heimerdinger received top 10 placings in speed events, Western Bareback, Saddle Seat Pattern and Saddle Seat Bareback.

A freshman and captain, Zynda and her horse, Tiger, earned top five finishes in Saddle Seat Pattern and Saddle Seat Equitation. The duo was also top 10 in Hunt Seat Equitation and Western Riding Pattern. On another horse, Fizz, Zynda was top 10 in Western Equitation.

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Chelsea. Forner added 63 yards on eight carries.

Gordon had a big night for the Hornets ending up with 163 yards on the ground on 30 attempts.

Paulsen was 4-of-10 for 64 yards passing.

Trey Heren ended up 13-of-28 for 199 yards and one interception for Saline.

Junior Mason Borders had two receptions for 25 yards, while junior Chris Ballow had two catches for 20 yards for the Bulldogs.

James Gentile led the Hornets with five catches for 86 yards, while Chris Dallen had three receptions for 65 yards. Defensively, senior Cody

Playoff Game

Who: Chelsea (7-2) vs. Carleton Airport (7-2)
Where: At Airport
When: 7 p.m. Friday
What: First round Division 3 state playoff

Adams sparked Chelsea with eight tackles. Senior Scott Deyol and senior Travis Ostrowski each added 7.5 tackles. Ostrowski had four tackles for losses for 13 yards.

JV Football

Chelsea's JV football team lost to Saline 46-31 last Thursday.
Scoring for the Bulldogs (5-4)

were Jack McDougall, Chad Hill, Berkley Edwards, Cody Barber and Max Giller.

Freshman Football

Chelsea's freshman football team lost to Saline 39-14 last Thursday. The Bulldogs finished the year 7-2 overall.

"I did not have the kids ready to play," said Chelsea coach Dennis Strzyzewski. "We were never really in this one. I really let the guys down in that respect. It was a fun season and I think we learned a lot. The future of Chelsea football looks strong."

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Chelsea defeats Ypsilanti

By Don Richter

Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea volleyball defeated Southeastern Conference White Division rival Ypsilanti 25-16, 25-20, 25-21 in a dual match Oct. 20.

The host Bulldogs celebrated Senior Night against the Phoenix.

Four seniors suit up for Chelsea this season, including Brittany Schmelz, Marissa Elwart, Danielle MacFarlan and Katie Menge.

Schmelz is a three-year varsity performer for the Bulldogs. An outside hitter, she is one of the area's most feared strikers. A captain, Schmelz was first team All-SEC and All-State honorable mention last season.

Elwart, an opposite hitter, is a two-year varsity player for Chelsea, while MacFarlan, a

defensive specialist, is also a two-year varsity performer.

Menge, an outside hitter and captain for the Bulldogs, is a two-year varsity performer.

Against Ypsilanti, Elwart led the way with 11 kills.

Menge added four kills and 13 digs, while Bailey Darwin had four kills and five solo blocks.

Michelle Wellman finished with four kills, while Nicole Schmelz had a team-high 20 assists for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs also held their sixth annual Cruise Raffle fund-raiser. Winning the grand prize of a seven-day cruise for two plus \$500 was Lisa Stebelton. Winning first prize of \$250 was Kerry Brosnan, while Jane Shrobbree won second prize of \$100.

"We had another success-

ful fund-raiser reaching our goal of supporting the middle school two-team system," said Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland. "I want to thank all those that helped to sell and those that purchased tickets for Chelsea volleyball."

The Bulldogs next travel to Ann Arbor Huron to compete in its invitational Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

On Tuesday, Chelsea begins district play facing Ida at 7 p.m. If successful against Ida, the Bulldogs would play Ann Arbor Skyline in the district semifinal Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The district final is Nov. 6 at 5 p.m.

Chelsea is hosting the district.

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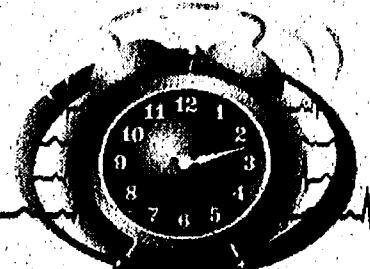
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YPSILANTI, Mich. (EMUEagles.com) - Eastern Michigan men's and women's swimming and diving teams kick off the 2009 campaign at the Jones Natatorium this Friday and Saturday, Oct. 30-31.

The men are coming off their third consecutive Mid-American Conference title and 28th in school history after posting a school-record 1,046.5 points in a dominating win at the 2009 MAC Championships.

Captains Andrew Eckhart, Scott Murphy and Dave Steff will lead the Eagle men into the season carrying a 53 dual meet win streak. The Eagles haven't lost to a MAC opponent since 1997-98. Murphy and Steff will be the team's top returners after Murphy took home the MAC Championship titles in the 100 and 200 breaststroke and Steff recorded two runner-up finishes in the 500 and 1,650 freestyle last season.

Head men's diving coach, Loren "Buck" Smith will have three talented freshman divers joining his crew and expects to take six divers in all to the MAC Championships March 4-6.

The Eagles will see a more competitive MAC Championship this season as the conference welcomes three new affiliates in Evansville, Missouri State and Southern Illinois. EMU will have a slight advantage over the competition as they host the MAC Championships for the first time in six years.

The women will be led by a mixture of upperclassmen as well as young talent this season. Seniors Kristin Roach and Jess Wohl will serve as captains, filling the void of last year's graduating class which was guided by Alissa Ricard who represented EMU at the NCAA Championships in 2009.

Junior Chelsea Allard is poised for a breakout season after setting the varsity record in the 100 butterfly at the MAC Championships last season. Sophomore Sarah Maraskine turned in three top-7 finishes at the conference meet and will lead a solid group of backstrokers while sophomore Samantha Partridge was named second team All-MAC after setting new EMU records in the 1,650 freestyle and 400 intermediate medley at the MAC Championships.

Smith is eager to see how his newest diving recruit, Danielle Hulvey, performs. He described her as being, "as talented as I've ever seen." The diving team went from one diver to six and looks to improve the Eagles' fourth place finish at the MAC Championship meet by being able to score a lot more points.

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Bear hound hunting busy for conservation officer

It's opening morning for bear hound hunting and the clock is just striking 4 a.m. when conservation officer Grant Emery climbs into his truck, ready for what will be a 17-hour shift in the field.

Emery's Gogebic County territory marks the epicenter for hound hunting in the Upper Peninsula and he is prepared for a busy morning of checking bear hunters - evidenced by the bag of dog treats on his dashboard.

"Bear hounds, for the most part, are the friendliest dogs you'll ever meet," Emery said. "But when they have their head in the hunt, it doesn't hurt to have a treat to distract them, so I can quickly check their tags and their owner's hunting license."

Emery's game plan this morning is to head out into the woods before dawn to set up near some bait sites that he scouted and marked with his GPS in advance. All is quiet, as he listens for the sound of hunters who may be out running their dogs before official hunting hours have opened.

"Ninety percent of the interactions I have with hunters are positive, but it tends to be on opening days when we see more violations," Emery explained. "This isn't just the hound opener today, it's also the second of three bear openers for bait hunters and it's the small game season opener. That's why all of us officers will be working much longer shifts than normal and will be out in greater force than normal."

From his pickup truck, Emery can stay in contact with other conservation officers who are teaming up with him to work the opener. Although he is the only conservation officer assigned to Gogebic County, officers from Iron County and Ontonagon County are nearby, working the general area where the three counties border each other.

With specialized computer equipment installed in every conservation officer's vehicle, known as an Automated Vehicle Locator System or AVL, it is possible for Emery to view a map showing where the other officers are at any time, plus exchange text messages with them without creating additional radio traffic.

Shortly after hunting hours open, Emery is busy messaging the other officers, finding out who has seen hunters and where. By listening for the sound of hounds baying and watching the roads for hunting parties tracking their dogs with GPS and radios, the officers are able to get a good handle on where the action is taking place and where they should relocate to.

Once it is determined that a bear has likely been treed, the officers will coordinate to decide who will move in to check for licenses or possible violations, such as not wearing blaze orange or too many dogs running in a pack.

"I'm a big believer that to be the best conservation officer I can be, I need to also take part in these sports," Emery said. "I have bear hunted for years, and that makes me more prepared when I encounter hunters in the field, since I know immediately what to look for, what common mistakes hunters can innocently make and which parts of the law are maybe tempting to knowingly break."

Approaching hunters not only as a conservation officer, but also as a fellow hunter, gives Emery the ability to use his intuition and decide when a simple teaching moment may need to move to the next level, he explained.

As he drives a woods road, following a truck with bear hounds in the back kennel, Emery tells the story of how his lifelong dream to be a conservation officer was sparked by an encounter he had with a DNR officer while fishing

as a teenager with his father. The duo was approached while on the water and Emery's dad couldn't find his fishing license in his wallet. Though the officer wrote a ticket, he included the stipulation that if the elder Emery could show proof before a certain date that he had been licensed to fish, the ticket would be

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Conservation officer

waived.

"That showed me right then that being a CO is more than writing tickets," Emery said. "You need to be a people person and assess whether the situation would be better served by making it a teaching moment or if giving a violation is the best answer. There are some things I always will write a violation for - not wearing blaze orange, not having enough life preservers in a boat, driving with a loaded gun, things that could be life-and-death situations."

"In other instances," he continued, "I use my own judgment on a case-by-case basis, and honestly, a lot of it comes down to the attitude of the person I have approached. I learned that from the CO who stopped my dad and me so many years ago."

As Emery pulls up to the bear hunters he has followed into the woods, he gets out of the truck and greets the group with a genuine smile, asking how the hunting has been. The party is made up of hunters from South Carolina who come to the Upper Peninsula each fall to hunt bear. Emery recognizes several members and proceeds to make small talk and scratch the kenneled hounds behind the ears before moving on to business.

Once it is time to check everyone's licenses and also check the hound registrations, most of the tension has melted and everyone is chatting and joking around. According to the hunters, they were tracking a bear that morning, but the dogs have lost the scent at the moment, a statement Emery is comfortable taking at face value, since he can't detect the sound of hounds baying in the distance and he doesn't hear any significant radio traffic between these hunters and the rest of their party.

Back on the road, Emery returns to where he saw another group of hunters earlier in the morning and proceeds to check their licenses. Noticeable is the use of Emery's technique of making simple small talk, using his knowledge of the sport to talk hunting details, before anyone is asked to produce a license. By the time wallets come out, the initial tension is once again diffused.

"There are some officers who have a different style and make it all business from the minute they make contact," Emery said. "But for me, this is the way to do my job while letting hunters enjoy their time in the woods. I've been doing this for 10 years and was a cop for four years prior, so

I've developed the intuition to know when to take things to the next level - and I do. I write more tickets than any other CO in this region. But when I do write them, I always want to be sure it is fair."

Once bear hunters have vacated the woods for the afternoon, Emery's attention turns to grouse hunters who are driving woods roads. Most checks are made on the road at the hunter's vehicle - all of whom stop voluntarily once they see Emery is a CO. The stops are quick, with Emery asking to see licenses, counting birds in the game bag, cracking open shotguns to make sure they aren't loaded while in the vehicle, then wishing the hunters well and sending them on their way.

Later that evening, Emery returns to the bear hunting scene, ready to approach bait hunters to issue citations for illegal baits that were placed too early or for having more than the legal number of baits. Once again, the AVL system in his truck will guide him back to the bait locations he marked days ago on his GPS.

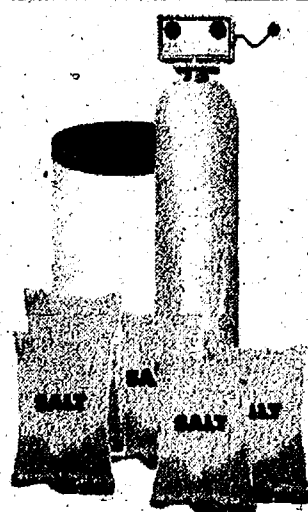
By the time he has finished around 9 p.m., Emery has been on the road for 17 hours. He'll be out again early the next morning, but, he admits, he'll hardly be able to sleep when at home anyway.

"Hunting season for me is like Christmas morning. Even when I'm on the clock, I just love to be in the outdoors and can't wait to get out there every day. And when I have a day off, I'll be up just as early to get out to my stand to try for a bear," Emery said. "When you are a CO, your life and your job are one in the same, and I'm lucky enough to have it that way."



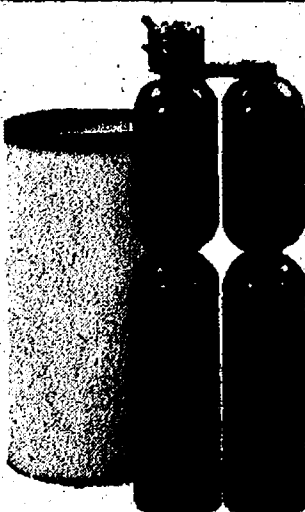
DNR Conservation Officer Grant Emery, Gogebic County, checks the license of a bear hunter on the first day (Sept. 15) of the bear hound hunting season in the Upper Peninsula. For the 2009 bear season only 605 licenses were issued for the Sept. 15-Oct. 26 hunt in the Bergland Bear Management Unit, which covers most of Gogebic County.

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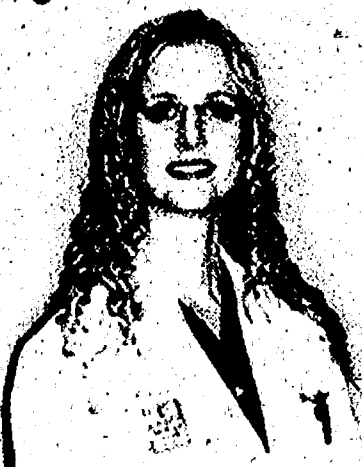
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EASY #19

MEDIUM #19

Pigskin Picks

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

	Don Richter	Dave Merchant	Ed Patino	Jana Miller	Mike Larson
This Week's Games					
Adrian at Adrian	Adrian	Adrian	Adrian	Adrian	Adrian
Chelsea at Carleton Airport	Chelsea	Carleton Airport	Chelsea	Carleton Airport	Chelsea
Grass Lake at Manchester	Manchester	Manchester	Manchester	Manchester	Manchester
Bedford at Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer
Gabriel Richard at Jackson	Lumen Christi	Gabriel Richard	Lumen Christi	Gabriel Richard	Lumen Christi
St. Louis at Detroit	Detroit	St. Louis	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit
Michigan at Illinois	Michigan	Illinois	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Michigan State at Minnesota	Minnesota	MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU
Eastern Mich. at Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas
Adrian at Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College
Last Week's Record	6-4	6-4	7-3	7-3	7-3
Overall Record	66-24	64-26	66-24	69-21	70-20

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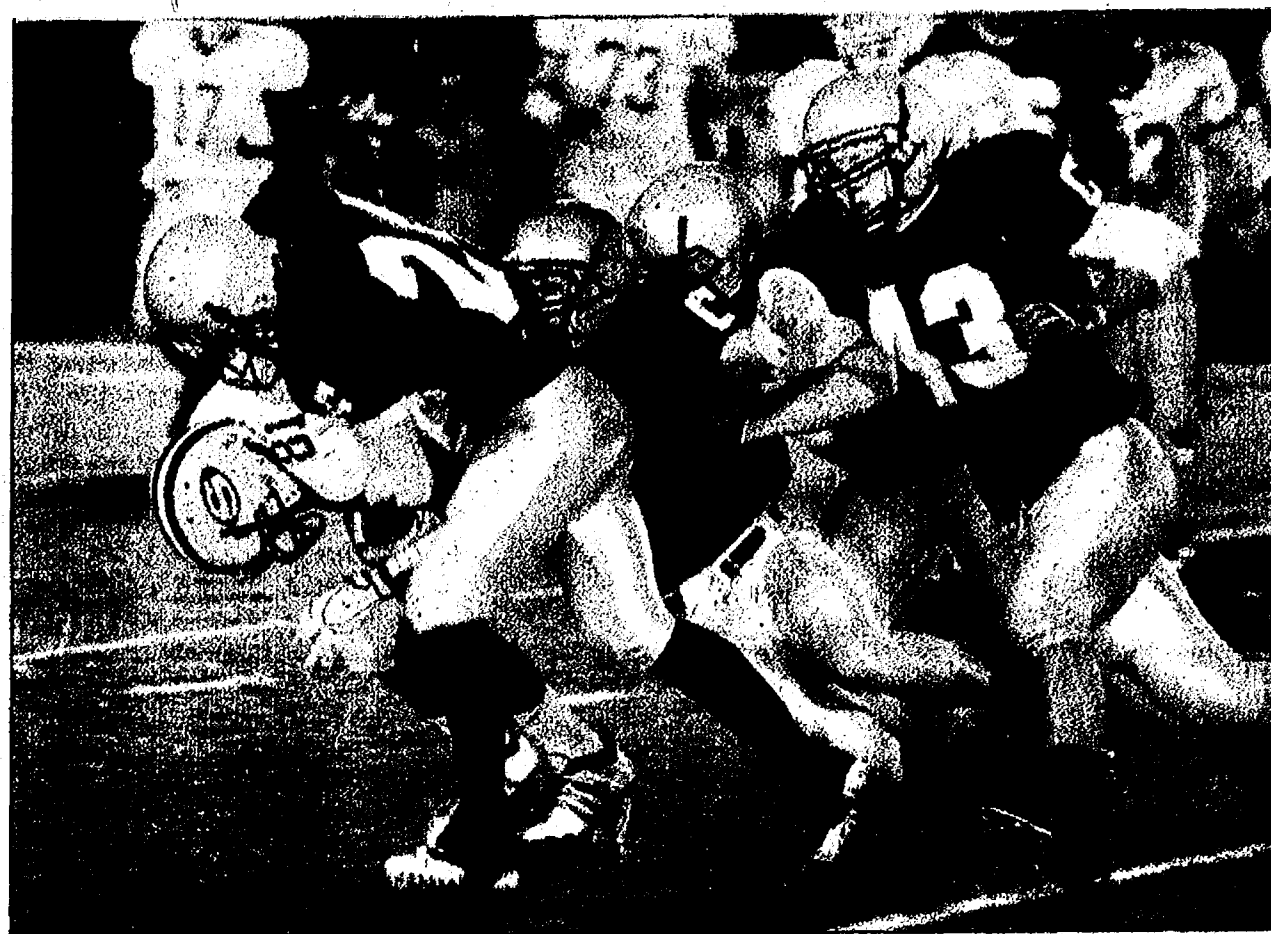


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Chelsea's Cody Adams (24) and a whole host of his Bulldog teammates stop Saline's James Gentle during last Friday's regular season finale at Jerry Niehaus Field.

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Rushing	Att.	Yds	T	A. McMurray-D	53	266	4	A. McMurray-D	64-89-3	707	4	Borders-Ch	12	235	3
N. Hill-Chel	186	1541	27	B. Sklener-Man	34	214	3	M. Miodeszew-D	30-68-1	435	4	Ballow-Ch	11	222	1
S. Burke-Combe-D	157	733	6	W. Meadows-WR	32	166		M. Tooley-B	18-71-5	318	3	Leonard-WR	11	168	1
A. LaBoda-B	98	600	9	J. Newland-Chel	24	148	1	J. Griffen-WR	24-60	290	1	H. Haley-D	11	114	
D. Hone-Man	87	511	1	L. Zigala-Man	44	142	8	R. Bottorff-Lin	10	130	1	A. Dobbs-D	10	123	
G. Miller-Lincoln	81	440	3	C. Adams-Chel	19	122	0	Lewis-D	9	109	1	B. Bishop-B	8	194	2
A. Dillon-Lincoln	77	388	5	N. Marks-WR	15	84		Thompson-Lin	25	530	7	Wesley-Lin	6	142	2
L. Howard-B	60	377	2					Hamilton-Man	21	351	8	N. Marks-WR	6	88	
C. Ballow-Chel	44	360	2					S. Burke-Combe-D	18	146					
J. Mackson-B	44	341	5												
C. Sims-WR	55	337	1												
A. Gardette-WR	53	328	1												

Passing	C-A-Int.	Yds	TD	L. Zigala-M	108-193-5	1566	13	A. Dillon-Lin	59-127-9	1037	12	B. Paulsen-Ch	49-103-4	737	7
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CROSS COUNTRY LEADERS

Boys	Time	K. Yarows-Dex	18:44
A. Pappas-Chel	15:38	A. Swain-Milan	19:25
B. Carruthers-Dex	16:13	A. Cummings-Sal	19:36
A. Vermeulen-Dex	16:42	C. Dishman-Dex	19:41
B. Bradley-Chel	16:46	E. Pap-Dex	19:47
C. Sherman-Bel	16:52	L. Timoszyk-Man	20:10
A. Gilman-Dex	16:54	D. Dahl-Chel	20:11
T. Neely-Dex	16:56	A. Kluitenberg-Ypsi	20:14
T. McGee-Ypsi	17:12	K. Taylor-Dex	20:20
M. Greve-Dex	17:23	K. Colosimo-Sal	20:23
K. Woodyard-Ypsi	17:25	S. Szuminski-Sal	20:33
K. Wooten-Bel	17:27	C. Noble-Sal	20:33
J. Hewitt-Chel	17:31	K. Green-Sal	20:34
J. Adamovicz-Lin	17:44	J. Battaglia-Chel	20:35
G. Smith-Woollooms-Chel	17:46	J. Chandler-Man	20:38
K. Stockwell-Chel	17:50	L. LaFontaine-Dex	20:48
T. Fisher-Milan	18:02	C. Maher-Chel	20:56
Z. Peattie-Lin	18:14	A. Creutz-Sal	20:56
N. Anderson-Milan	18:20	J. Beaumont-Chel	20:58
M. Kemner-Man	18:21	J. Timoszyk-Man	20:59
B. Heuser-Man	18:29	E. Mozy-Bel	21:28
J. Pfeiffer-Lin	18:39	D. O'Brien-Sal	21:29
M. Johnson-Man	18:46	E. Johnson-Chel	21:30
R. Fuller-Man	18:50	C. Weidmayer-Man	21:36
A. Goricki-Lin	18:59	A. Geider-Lin	21:39
J. Mazur-Man	20:48	C. Carpenter-Chel	21:49
		S. Rohrbach-Bel	21:59
Girls	Time	C. Jastrow-Sal	22:31
A. Leptich-Sal	17:56	E. Dority-Man	23:15
K. Carter-Sal	18:21	S. Pace-Lin	24:53
J. Tomecek-Milan	18:28		

Area Standings

SEC Red	Conf.	O	Grosse Ile	3-4	5-4
Bedford	6-0	7-2	Jefferson	3-4	4-5
Pioneer	5-1	7-2	Riverview	2-5	3-6
Monroe	3-4	3-6	Flat Rock	2-5	3-6
Huron	4-3	5-4	NB Huron	1-6	3-6
Saline	1-6	3-6			
SEC White	Conf.	Over.	Cascade Conf.	Conf.	Over.
Adrian	6-1	8-1	Manchester	7-0	8-1
Chelsea	5-2	7-2	Grass Lake	5-2	6-3
Tecumseh	2-5	2-7	Mich. Center	5-2	6-3
Lincoln	2-5	2-7	Addison	5-2	5-4
Dexter	1-6	3-6	East Jackson	3-4	4-5
Ypsilanti	1-6	1-8	Vand. Lake	2-5	3-6
			Napoleon	1-6	1-8
West Wayne	Conf.	O	Han. Horton	0-7	1-8
Fordson	4-0	9-0			
Edsel Ford	3-1	8-1	Independent		
Dearborn	2-2	5-4	Willow Run		5-4
Belleville	1-3	3-6			
Romulus	0-4	2-7	Catholic League Conf		
			Over.		
Huron League	Conf.	Over.	AA Gab. Richard	4-0	8-1
St. Mary CC	7-0	8-1	Notre Dame Prep	3-1	6-3
Airport	6-1	7-2	Detroit Loyola	2-2	5-4
Milan	4-3	6-3	Bishop Foley	1-3	4-5
			Riv. Gab. Rich.	0-4	2-7

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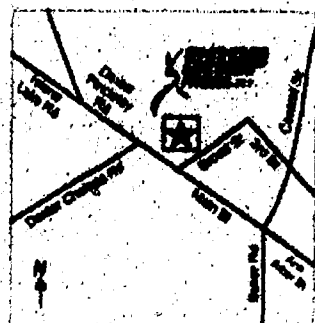
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A night in Paris - free

MINISTERIAL MESSAGE



THE REV. MARK PORINSKY

To the Editor: My wife and I flew home after visiting our son and his family in Cologne, Germany, the middle of September. Unfortunately, a shortage of air traffic controllers at the Duesseldorf airport that day meant a delay in our flight, and a missed connection in Paris.

The Air France representative in Paris informed us there were no more flights to Detroit until the next afternoon. He checked on a few possible non-direct flights without success, and then informed us that we would have to stay overnight in Paris. It would be pleasant: His airline would put us up in a

hotel and provide food vouchers for meals that evening as well as the next morning. Imagine having the opportunity to spend the night in that romantic city free of charge.

We weren't a bit happy about it, however. After sitting on the ground in an airplane in Duesseldorf for two hours, and with both of us needing to get back to work the very next day, Paris had no appeal at the time. Besides, we didn't have the energy or desire to do any sightseeing in the 18 hours that we would have been there. So we begged him to search on his computer for alternate flights. My wife started throwing out names of American cities

that might lead to a Detroit connection. At last he found one - a flight to Atlanta in two hours, with a late night connection to Detroit after that. We took it, and felt blessed.

When you have plans, a purpose in life, and especially when you feel a calling from God, you are in a similar situation to the one we were in: No matter how attractive other options might look, you cannot be content unless you believe you are where you're supposed to be.

True, sometimes God suddenly switches the direction of your life without consulting you, and you have to learn to accept it; that can be very difficult, and we need to

learn to be flexible. Still, it can be a great blessing to have a clearly defined goal and calling in life, a calling so strong that you can't stand to be sidetracked by pleasant but insignificant detours.

In a way, each human being is born with a goal and a purpose: To reach eternal life in heaven through faith in Jesus Christ, and to help others find Jesus Christ and receive, through faith, His gift of forgiveness and eternal life. Compared with the realm of heaven, all of earth is a detour, a Paris, that might seem very attractive, but is nothing compared with the final goal of our lives. We can enjoy this

earth, because our God created it as a blessing for us; and we need to be here for awhile, because our God has work for us here. But our stay here is just a temporary layover, a temporary assignment that lasts the equivalent of only one night, compared with our heavenly destination.

And if our God decides to call us to our heavenly home at any time - well, in our hearts we would rather be there than in Paris, Dexter, Chelsea, or anywhere on this earth.

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Pastor Charles R. Schuiz
734-663-7511
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John O'Dell, Pastor

Sunday: Sunday school,
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9:30am Renew Worship
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7610 Ann Arbor St.
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Dr. Bob Summers, Pastor
734-426-8610

Sunday Services
8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship Service

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5484 Webster Church Rd.,
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Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Chelsea Church of Christ

Minister Tom Haddox
13681 East
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Chelsea, MI 48118
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Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

Sunday Evening Service 6 pm

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10:30am Celebration Service

& Childrens Church

CALENDAR

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"Celebrate"

Chelsea Gallery will host "Celebrate," featuring Chelsea native artist Jan Dorer, a talented acrylic painter who has been perfecting her art for over four decades. An opening reception will be from 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 14. The Chelsea Gallery is located at 115 S. Main Street in Chelsea.

Chelsea District Library

For more information, call 475-8732.

Monday: Food, Farming & Business at 6:30 p.m. for adults. Presented by Jane Bush. Agriculture is the largest growth sector in the Michigan economy today. The Food System Economic Partnership (FSEP) is taking a lead in SE Michigan to help farmers and those interested in value added agricultural products thrive in this challenging economy. Jane Bush, FSEP Business Counselor and successful farmer, will share what's going right in Michigan. Learn from what others are doing, how they are succeeding, and where opportunities exist for new businesses.

Monday: Publisher Basics from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for adults. Basics of Microsoft Publisher 2007 - a three-session workshop. Basic computer/mouse skills needed. Trainer - Margaret Doub. This workshop is a basic introduction to the creative Publisher program. Participants will have hands-on experience with a newsletter or greeting card and leave with further knowledge of what the program can do for them. Also: Nov. 10, 17.

Tuesday: Life Stories Workshop from 9 a.m. to noon. Chelsea Center for the Arts. Registration required. Autobiography? Memoir? Vignette? Whichever it is, life inspires people to write stories they want to share with their families or with larger audiences. Writers-in-Residence Saleem

Peeradina and Nancy Seligmann will facilitate the writing process as well as the workshop critique process. The instructors will provide writing nudges, which will awaken writers' brains to past memories. There will be in-class and out-of-class writing. Space is limited to 12. Call 734-433-2787 to register. Also: Nov. 14, 21.

Chelsea Senior Center

Located at 512 Washington Street. Call 475-9242 for program registration and advance lunch reservation. Chelsea School District, through the Washtenaw County Senior Nutrition Program, serves a delicious lunch five days a week. Entrée listed, lunch includes salad bar and dessert.

Every day: Fitness, coffee and snacks, friendly conversation, support, resources, walking. Drop in 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. or visit our Web site at www.chelseaseniors.org

Tomorrow: Reservation for Chicago trip due; Bingo 9 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Lunch at noon; Euchre 12:30 p.m.; Wil Fun 1 p.m.; Women's Retreat 3 p.m. through Saturday

Monday: Bingo 9 a.m.; Coffee

WASHTENAW COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Rehabilitation Master Plan for the Chelsea Center for the Arts, Chelsea, MI. Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. RFP 6503 Due: Monday, November 9, 2009 by 3:00 PM local time.

For more information, please call (734) 222-8760 or log on to our website at: bids.washtenaw.org and click on "online" bids.

Publish October 29, 2009

NOTICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY ALLEN CREEK WEST PARK DRAIN PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Drainage Board for the proposed Allen Creek West Park Drain Project has considered the petition received from the City of Ann Arbor for establishing and locating the county drain known as the Allen Creek West Park Drain and made a tentative determination that the said petition is sufficient and that the said project is practicable; has designated the name "Allen Creek West Park" as the name of said drainage project; has given the name "Allen Creek West Park Drain Drainage District" to the drainage district therefore, and has made a tentative determination that the following public corporations should be assessed for cost of said project, to wit:

City of Ann Arbor, for benefits to the public health;
State of Michigan, for benefits to State highways

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Drainage Board will meet at 4:00 p.m. on November 19, 2009, at the Office of the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, Western County Service Center, 705 North Zeeb Rd., Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing any objections to said project, to the petition therefore and to the matter of assessing the cost to the public corporations above named. At said hearing any public corporation to be assessed or any taxpayer thereof, will be entitled to be heard.

This Notice is given by order of said Drainage Board.

Janis A. Bobrin, Chair
Dated: 21 October 2009

AFFIDAVIT OF PROOF OF SERVICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY FOR THE ALLEN CREEK WEST PARK DRAIN IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF CITY OF ANN ARBOR, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW) SS

Mary R. Kowalski, Service Coordinator Services for the Water Resources Commissioner of the County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, hereby deposes and says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she forwarded by certified mail to the Clerk of the following Municipality: City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, a true copy of said Notice of Hearing of Necessity for the Allen Creek West Park Drain Drainage District, a true copy of which is attached hereto.

Deponent further says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she forwarded by certified mail to the Michigan Department of Transportation, PO Box 30050, 425 West Ottawa, Lansing, Michigan, a true copy of said Notice of Meeting of Board of Determination for the Allen Creek West Park Drain District, a true copy of which is attached hereto.

Deponent further says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she published in the Chelsea Standard/Dexter Leader a true copy of said Notice.

And further Deponent saith not.

Mary R. Kowalski
Water Resources Service
Coordinator

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of ____, 200__

Scott Miller, Notary Public
Washtenaw County, Michigan
My Commission Expires August 4, 2015

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NOTICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY ALLEN CREEK SYLVAN AVENUE DRAIN PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Drainage Board for the proposed Allen Creek Sylvan Avenue Drain Project has considered the petition received from the City of Ann Arbor for establishing and locating the county drain known as the Allen Creek Sylvan Avenue Drain and made a tentative determination that the said petition is sufficient and that the said project is practicable; has designated the name "Allen Creek Sylvan Avenue" as the name of said drainage project; has given the name "Allen Creek Sylvan Avenue Drain Drainage District" to the drainage district therefore, and has made a tentative determination that the following public corporations should be assessed for cost of said project, to wit:

City of Ann Arbor, for benefits to the public health;
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Janis A. Bobrin, Chair
Dated: 21 October 2009

AFFIDAVIT OF PROOF OF SERVICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY FOR THE ALLEN CREEK SYLVAN AVENUE DRAIN IN THE

MUNICIPALITY OF CITY OF ANN ARBOR, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW) SS

Mary R. Kowalski, Service Coordinator Services for the Water Resources Commissioner of the County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, hereby deposes and says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she forwarded by certified mail to the Clerk of the following Municipality: City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, a true copy of said Notice of Hearing of Necessity for the Allen Creek Sylvan Avenue Drain Drainage District, a true copy of which is attached hereto.

Deponent further says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she forwarded by certified mail to the Michigan Department of Transportation, PO Box 30050, 425 West Ottawa, Lansing, Michigan, a true copy of said Notice of Meeting of Board of Determination for the Allen Creek Sylvan Avenue Drain District, a true copy of which is attached hereto.

Deponent further says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she published in the Chelsea Standard/Dexter Leader a true copy of said Notice.

And further Deponent saith not.

Mary R. Kowalski
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with Representative Pam Byrnes 9:30 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; Beef Stroganoff lunch at noon; Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.; All Write Writing Group 1 p.m.; Fused Glass class 1 p.m.

Tuesday: Enhance Fitness 8:30 a.m.; Mah Jongg 9 a.m.; Fabric Ornament 10 a.m.; Wood Carving 10 a.m.; Grilled Cheese lunch at noon; Homeowners Scams 1 p.m.; Quilting for Charity 1 p.m.; Euchre 6:30 p.m.; Clogging 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Foot Care by appointment; Stained Glass class 9:30 a.m.; Enhance Fitness 10:30 a.m.; no lunch; Square Dancing 12:30 p.m.; Pinochle 1 p.m.; Scrabble 1 p.m.; Bowling at

Chelsea Lanes 1 p.m.
Thursday: Enhance Fitness 8:30 a.m.; Bridge Class 10 a.m.; Computer Club 10 a.m.; Chess 10 a.m.; Chicken Alfredo lunch at noon; Chelsea Area Bridge 12:15 p.m.; Knit & Crochet 12:30 p.m.

Chelsea Center for the Arts
Chelsea Center for the Arts is located at 400 Congdon Street in

CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public hearing to consider the application of JAYTEC, LLC for Industrial Facilities Exemption certificates for real property in the amount of \$1,530,000.00 and \$730,000.00 for personal property at their Sibley Road facility located in the City of Chelsea. Pursuant to the Plan Rehabilitation Industrial Development District Law (P.A. 198 of 1974), the City of Chelsea will conduct a hearing on the proposed request. Said hearing has been scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, Michigan.

Copies of the application are available for public inspection at the City of Chelsea Administration Office, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan during regular business hours.

Persons requiring reasonable accommodations to disabilities in order that the hearing be accessible to them, are required to notify the City Clerk (475-1771) no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing of such disability.

Teresa Royal, City Clerk
Publish October 29, 2009

SCIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supr. Clark at 827 N. Zeeb Road.

Present: Clark, Hedberg, DeLong, Green, Read, Knowles
Absent: Palmer
Approved Land Preservation Commission Items, Quarterly Report to Board and Approval of costs related to proposed property acquisition.
Approved the Industrial Facilities Tax exemption (IFT) request from Torumo Hart.
Approved September Invoices to be paid as presented.
Adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk
Scio Township
Publish October 29, 2009

SCIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS AUGUST 25, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supr. Clark at 827 N. Zeeb Road.

Present: Clark, Hedberg, Palmer, DeLong, Read, Knowles
Absent: Green
Approved 2009-2010 audit. Approved audit as presented.
Approved 2009-2010 audit. Adopt deficit elimination plan.
Approved Planning Commission 2009-2010 work program budget request.
Approved Site plan time extension for PSP/FSP #6078 TCF Bank.
Approved Application of Nancy Hedberg to LPC for term ending 5/12/2010.
Approved August invoices to be paid as presented.
Adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk
Scio Township
Publish October 29, 2009

NOTICE Absentee Ballots

For the Special Election to be held on November 3, 2009 Applications for absentee ballots are obtainable (9 a.m.-4 p.m. M-F) until Monday November 2, 2009 and I will be in my office on Saturday October 31, 2009 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Webster Township Hall, 5685 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130

Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Webster Township Hall, 5685 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130 by the time polls close at 8 p.m. on Tuesday November 3, 2009 in order to be counted.

If you have questions please call the clerk at 428-5103.

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township
Publish October 29, 2009

NOTICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY ALLEN CREEK STADIUM BOULEVARD SUFFOLK TO HUTCHINS PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Drainage Board for the proposed Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain Project has considered the petition received from the City of Ann Arbor for establishing and locating the county drain known as the Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain and made a tentative determination that the said petition is sufficient and that the said project is practicable; has designated the name "Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins" as the name of said drainage project; has given the name "Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain Drainage District" to the drainage district therefore, and has made a tentative determination that the following public corporations should be assessed for cost of said project, to wit:

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This Notice is given by order of said Drainage Board.

Janis A. Bobrin, Chair
Dated: 21 October 2009

AFFIDAVIT OF PROOF OF SERVICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY FOR THE ALLEN CREEK STADIUM BOULEVARD SUFFOLK TO HUTCHINS DRAIN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CITY OF ANN ARBOR, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW) SS

Mary R. Kowalski, Service Coordinator for the Water Resources Commissioner of the County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, hereby deposes and says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she forwarded by certified mail to the Clerk of the following Municipality: City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, a true copy of said Notice of Hearing of Necessity for the Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain Drainage District, a true copy of which is attached hereto. Deponent further says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she forwarded by certified mail to the Michigan Department of Transportation, PO Box 30050, 425 West Ottawa, Lansing, Michigan, a true copy of said Notice of Meeting of Board of Determination for the Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain District, a true copy of which is attached hereto. Deponent further says that on the 22nd of October, 2009, she published in the Chelsea Standard/Dexter Leader a true copy of said Notice.

And further Deponent saith not.

Mary R. Kowalski
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Chelsea. For more information, call 734-433-2787 or log onto www.chelseacenterforthearts.org.

SCIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Supr. Clark at 827 N. Zeeb Road.
Present: Clark, Hedberg, Palmer, DeLong, Read, Knowles, Green
Approved Policy for Board packet posting on web site.
Approved to set the Public Hearing on Fire SAD.
Approved September Invoices to be paid as presented.
Adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk
Scio Township
Publish October 29, 2009

ATTENTION LYNDON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS - NOTICE -

THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON Monday, November 9, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.

At The Lyndon Township Hall 17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD CHELSEA, MI 48118

1. An application for a Private Road Variance by George & Lucia Brewer of 206 Blind Lake Road, Gregory, MI 48137. Tax identification number E05-01-440-003. Mr. & Mrs. Brewer want to replace their present home.

Written comments may be sent to:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Act 344 of the Public Acts of 1882 that a REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS session held on October 21, 2009, will be available for public inspection and copying from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning Tuesday, November 3, 2009, at the Office of the County Clerk/Register, Suite 120, 200 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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Lyndon Township Clerk, Linda Reilly, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.

The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids or services to individual with disabilities at the public hearing. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Lyndon Township Board by writing or calling: Linda Reilly, Clerk, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118 or phone 734-475-2401.

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

Linda Reilly
Lyndon Township Clerk

Publish October 29, 2009

SYNOPSIS OF LIMA TOWNSHIP UNAPPROVED MINUTES

The meeting of the Lima Township Board was called to order on October 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Present: Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Lator. Also present several residents.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by McKenzie to amend the agenda, under new business add CACA \$20,000 loan request, policy for timelines for submittal of bills to be paid and receipts, recorded, and to report CACA. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Havens to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2009 Regular Meeting and October 2, 2009 Special Meeting/Work Session. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was received.

The Zoning Administrator issued a permit for one new home and completed one final inspection.

Motion by Bareis supported by McKenzie to approve Application 2009-001, Farmland and Open Space Preservation Agreement for Duane C. and Linda L. Trinkle, Parcel G-07-12-300-010, contingent upon approval of all other approving bodies. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Lator to table any action regarding the CACA Board proposed articles of incorporation revision until the service area and funding for DAFD and Scio Township Fire Department is resolved. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Lator to authorize the Lima Township representative to the Dexter Area Fire Department Board to amend the proposed service coverage area of the Dexter Area Fire Department based on the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Fire Chief James Payeur's recommendation memo dated July 9, 2009 and September 9, 2009 and updated proposed service area map dated October 2, 2009.

This motion is contingent on the following conditions: The DAFD Board agreement to the revisions to the Internal Agreement as recommended per the service map of October 2, 2009. A written agreement for Automatic

Mutual Aid between Scio Township and CACA for a service area to be served by said Automatic Mutual Aid agreement, per map dated October 2, 2009. Run time data is to be provided by CACA for the new service areas covered by CACA versus the DAFD and Scio Township Fire Department (STFD) current estimated run times. That CACA assume funding responsibility for the DAFD service area and the STFD Automatic Mutual Aid service area. Final service areas and costs be agreed to by CACA, as defined with DAFD and STFD. Motion carried.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by Bareis to table application 09-003 to amend Article 2 and Article 5 of the Lima Township Zoning Ordinance to regulate the use of Small Wind Energy System, to November 9, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Bareis to continue the policy dated March 7, 1994 that the Lima Township Board shall solicit sealed bids for all contracts which are anticipated to be \$20,000.00 or more. Motion carried.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by Lator to loan CACA \$20,000, \$10,000 to be forwarded before March 31, 2010, \$10,000 to be forwarded before March 31, 2011, contingent upon payment by March 31, 2011, and that all member municipalities make significant proportional contribution and contingent upon satisfactory clarification regarding use of the loan. Motion carried.

Motion by Bareis supported by Lator to adopt the following policy for Submittal of Bills to be Paid and Receipts to be Recorded. Any bills that are to be paid at a regular meeting of the Lima Township Board shall be presented to the Lima Township Clerk by noon of the Thursday prior to the regular meeting date. Any bills received for payment after that date may be paid at the discretion of the Lima Township Clerk and Treasurer. Receipts to be recorded shall be presented to the Lima Township Clerk by noon of the Thursday prior to the regular meeting date. Motion carried.

Motion by Lator supported by Havens to pay bills as presented plus any others as required. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk

Publish October 29, 2009

Webster Township Regular Board Meeting October 20, 2009

The Webster Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Kingsley on October 20, 2009 at the Township Hall, 5685 Webster Church Road Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present Supervisor Kingsley, Clerk Heller, and Treasurer Whitney. Trustees: Koch, Westman, Estleman & Kleinschmidt, and Township Engineer / Zoning Administrator: Plindza, County Commissioner Kenneth Schwartz and Laura Rubin Executive Director of HRWC.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Approve Minutes
Motion Kleinschmidt second Koch to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on September 15, 2009. All ayes and carried. Motion Westman second Whitney to approve minutes of the September 25, 2009 Special Meeting. All ayes and carried.

Supervisor Remarks
Approve Agenda
Motion Kleinschmidt second Koch to approve Agenda as presented. All ayes and carried.

Call to Public

Reports

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

C. Parks & Recreation Committee:
No report received.

D. Zoning Inspectors Report:
Report received. Two new permits issued and nine zoning inspections.

E. Sheriff's Report:
Report received.

F. Zoning Board of Appeals:
No report received.

G. PDR Committee:
Report received.

H. Fire Department Report:
Report received. The next Dexter Fire Board Meeting will be held at the Dexter Township Hall on October 29, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Old Business:

New Business:

A. Huron River Watershed Council:
Motion Westman second Estleman to post pending a review of all membership that township pays. All ayes and carried.

B. Light Pole:
Motion Kleinschmidt second Westman to order new light pole for \$3,850.00 with down payment of \$2,000.00. Roll call vote, all ayes and carried.

C. CAPTADART Access Plan Resolution
Motion Estleman second Koch to adopt Resolution 09-13 as presented. All ayes and carried.

Correspondence

Call to Public

Adjourn:
Motion Kleinschmidt second Koch to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m. All ayes and carried.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk
Webster Township

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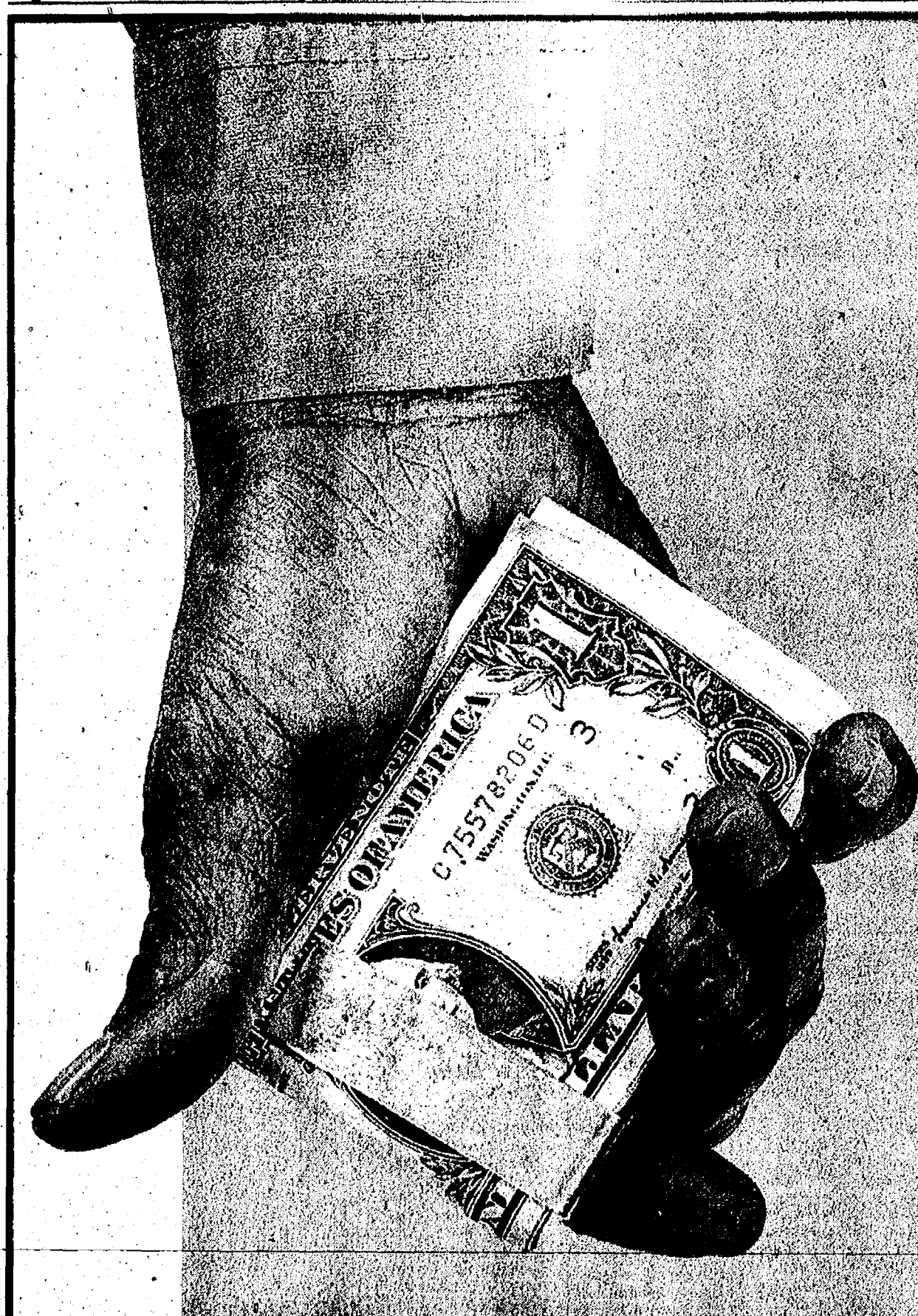
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ALLEN PARK 14801 Euclid. Garage/Estate Sale. Oct. 30; 9-2. Oct. 31; 9-1. Household misc.

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Correction: ECORSE, ESTATE SALE Everything must go! 3986 19th St. Oct. 22-26. 9-3pm.

DEARBORN 24818 Oxford, Oct. 31. Nov. 1, 10-5pm. DOLLAR DAYS. Everything goes.

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REQUEST FOR BID POOL TIMING EQUIPMENT October 12, 2009

Milan Area Schools will receive sealed bid proposals for the replacement of the pool timing equipment for the Milan Area High School Pool until 2:00 p.m. EST on November 3, 2009. Bids will be opened and publicly read at that time. Three (3) copies of the sealed proposals must be submitted to the following:

Milan Area Schools
100 Big Red Drive
Milan, MI 48160

Attention: Mr. Bryan Girbach, Superintendent

Bidding documents may be obtained at Plants Morgan CRESA located at 26300 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48034. Documents can also be obtained from Milan Area Schools (pick up only) at the above address. The pool area is currently under in use. Prospective Bidders may view the existing pool area by contacting Richard Zornow, Director of Operation with Milan Area Schools at 734-439-5047 prior to visiting the site.

A bid bond of 5% of the bid amount is required and should be submitted in a separate envelope. Bids received without a bid bond will be returned unopened.

Also, accepted bidders will be required to furnish in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, satisfactory Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond by a T-listed bonding company. This must be acceptable to Milan Area Schools and received within ten (10) days of notification of intent to enter into a contract with Milan Area Schools. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the proposal guarantee. The bid proposal packet shall be on forms furnished in the bid documents (see attached).

THE BID PROPOSAL PACKET MUST BE SUBMITTED IN TRIPLICATE. No bid (s) will be accepted by electronic means or after the above time and date. Bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened.

All contracts to be entered into by the Milan Area Schools must and will comply with the prevailing wage and equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan and Milan Area Schools. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in its best interest.

Published October 22 & 29, 2009

FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael L. Dieckhaus and Karen T. Dieckhaus, husband and wife of Washtenaw County, Michigan, Mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 11th day of April, A.D. 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Washtenaw and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of April, A.D. 2007, in Liber 4820, Page 17, of Washtenaw County Records, which said mortgage was assigned to AmTrust Bank, thru its successors, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal of \$354,848.96 (three hundred fifty-four thousand eight hundred forty-eight and 96/100) plus accrued interest at 6.250% (six point two five zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of November, A.D. 2009, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, the main lobby of the Washtenaw County Courthouse, Huron Street entrance, Ann Arbor, MI, Washtenaw County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Lodi, in the County of Washtenaw and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Township of Lodi, County of Washtenaw, Michigan; Lot 147, LODI COUNTRY ESTATES NO. 6, as recorded in Liber 30 of Plats, Pages 72 and 73, Washtenaw County Records. Commonly known as: 5765 Fox Run. PPN: 13-23-440-147 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 800.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: October 15, 2009 WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A. By: Michael L. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48064 WWR# 10028631 ASAP# 3301758* 10/15/2009, 10/22/2009, 10/29/2009, 11/05/2009

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by LOUIS A. WOJCIOWICZ, JR., a/k/a Louis A. Wojtowicz and PAMELA J. WOJCIOWICZ, husband and wife (collectively, "Mortgagor") to GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, a federally chartered corporation, having an office at 1760 Abbey Road, Suite 200, East Lansing, Michigan 48823 (the "Mortgage"), dated October 13, 1994, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Washtenaw County, Michigan on October 18, 1994, in Liber 3039, Page 80, and re-recorded on March 17, 1995, in Liber 3089, Page 199 (the "Mortgage"). By reason of such default, the Mortgagee elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the Mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of One Hundred Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Four and 18/100 Dollars (\$100,974.18). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the main lobby of the Circuit Courthouse, Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, Michigan on Thursday the 3rd day of December, 2009, at one o'clock in the forenoon. The premises covered by the Mortgage are situated in the Township of York, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, and are described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner, Section 12, Town 4 South, Range 6 East, York Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; thence North 89°30'00" East 370.01 feet along the centerline of Judd Road and the South line of said Section 12; thence North 89°30'10" East 334.29 feet for a place of beginning; thence North 0°38'10" East 199.89 feet; thence South 89°46'30" West 29.59 feet; thence North 0°38'10" East 300 feet; thence North 89°46'30" East 58.11 feet; thence North 0°38'10" East 250.00 feet; thence North 89°46'30" East 543.91 feet; thence South 01°04'30" West 50.00 feet; thence South 89°46'30" West 162.40 feet; thence South 20°17'30" West 747.21 feet; thence South 89°46'30" West 158.28 feet to the place of beginning, being a part of the West 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 4 South, Range 6 East.

Also a non-exclusive easement for ingress, egress and public utilities, said easement described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 12; thence North 89°30'00" East 370.01 feet along the center line of Judd Road and the South line of said Section 12 for a place of beginning; thence North 0°38'10" East 334.29 feet; thence North 89°46'30" East 66.01 feet; thence South 0°38'10" West 334.08 feet; thence South 89°30'00" West 66.01 feet along the centerline of Judd Road and the South line of said Section 12; to the place of beginning.

Together with all fixtures, tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances belonging or in any way appertaining to the premises.

Commonly known as: 4075 Judd Road, Milan, Michigan 48160
P.P. #S-19-12-300-036


Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be one (1) year from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgage is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241a(b) that the premises are considered abandoned unless Mortgage, Mortgagor's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming from or under one (1) of them has given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241a(b) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

Dated: October 29, 2009 GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA Mortgagee

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PURSUANT TO 15 USC 1692 YOU ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND THAT ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU PROVIDE MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by William Murphy, Jr. a single man to Household Finance Corporation III by a mortgage dated January 11, 2007 and recorded on January 19, 2007 in Liber 4803 on Page 193, Washtenaw County Records Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight and 88/100 Dollars (\$150,338.88) including interest at 9.03% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, the main lobby of the Washtenaw County Courthouse, Huron Street entrance, Ann Arbor MI at 10:00 am on November 19, 2009. Said premises are situated in the Township of Superior, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, and are described as: Lot 601, Woodland Acres No. 7, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 21 of plats, Page 29, Washtenaw County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 800.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: October 15, 2009 Michael M. Grand, Esq. GRAND & GRAND PLLC 31731 North, western Hwy., #151 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 538-3737 75669 ASAP# 3307381 10/22/2009, 10/29/2009, 11/05/2009, 11/12/2009



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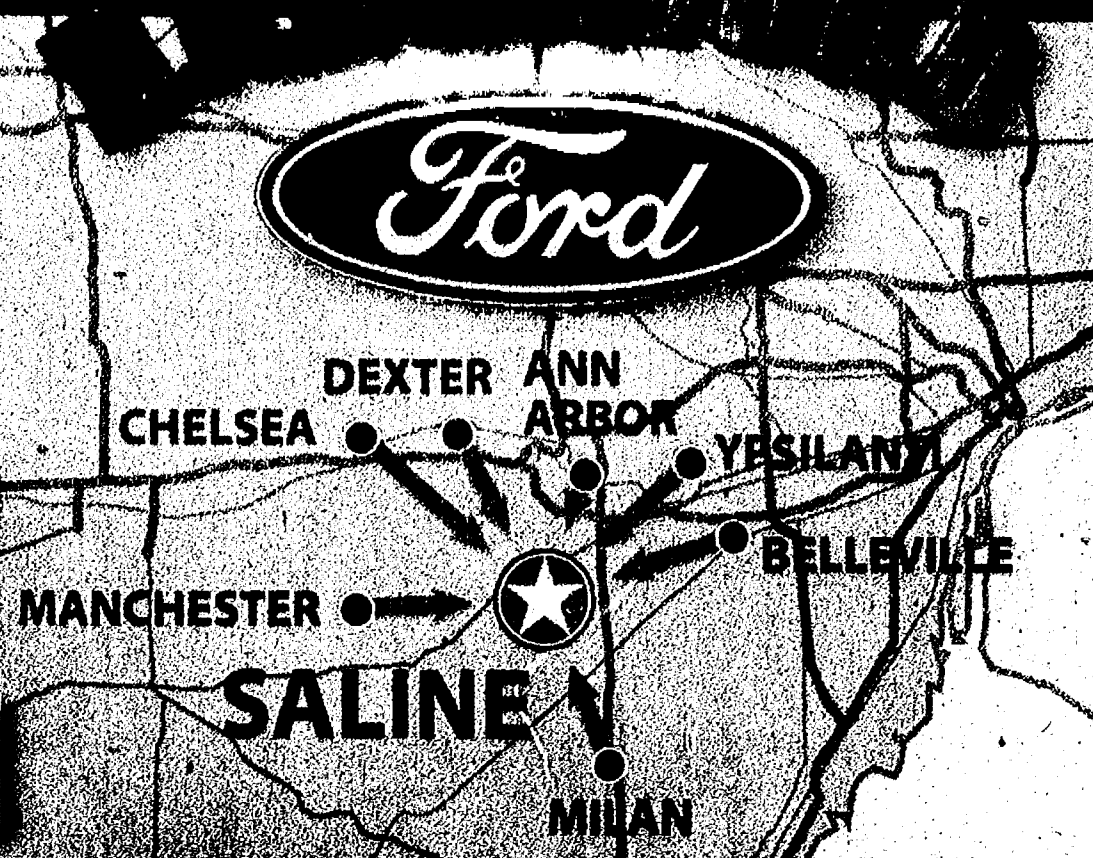
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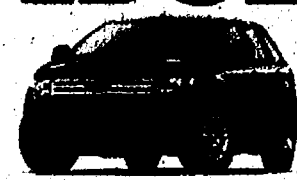
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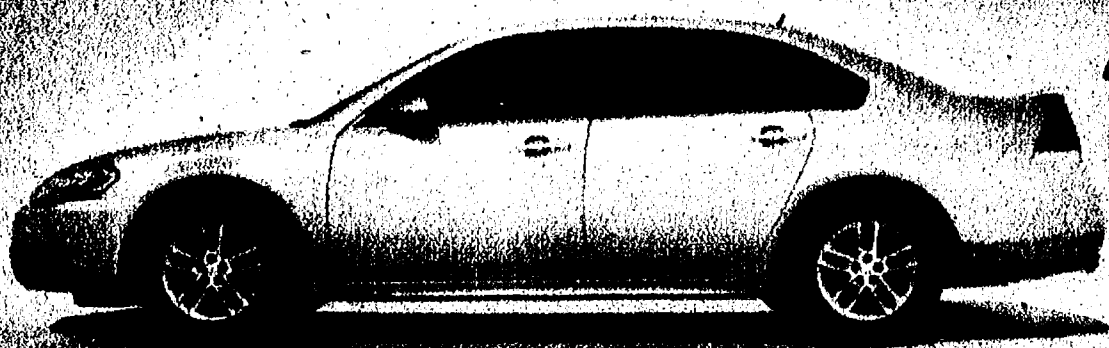
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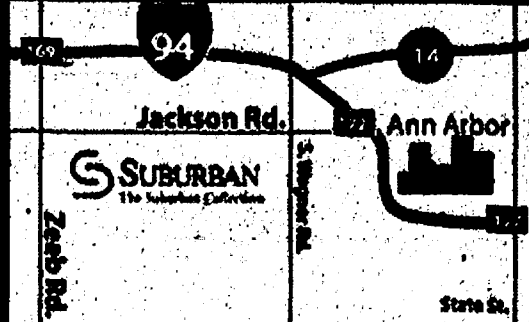
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CROP Walk raises money for the poor



Photos by Lisa Allmendinger

On Sunday, Oct. 4 about 83 members from 13 different local churches and other organizations came to St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Chelsea for the Chelsea/Dexter CROP Walk. After a short, musical kickoff ceremony, participants walked through intermittent showers, to raise money for poor and hungry people around the world. They also walked to be in solidarity with the poor, who have no choice but to walk every day to fetch water and other necessities. Unlike most poor people, however, they were able to have a massage after their walk. The total amount raised won't be known until the end of the year.



Sue Aeschlman, Dr. Michael Burke, Cindy Nixon and Holland Bisson perform after the CROP Walk.



Chelsea Education Foundation offers rides on the Haunted Trolley



This Halloween there will be more than Trick or Treaters roaming the streets of Chelsea. If you plan to be out on All Hallows Eve, be prepared to see more than your typical ghosts and goblins. From a distance you very well may hear the faint ring of clanging bells, followed by the source of the eerie sound, as a Haunted Trolley, passes you by.

On Saturday, the Chelsea Education Foundation will present the Chelsea Haunted Trolley Ride. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., three enclosed Trolley Cars, will begin escorting passengers along a 25 minute route that will wind its way through downtown Chelsea. You are invited to "climb aboard," as a not-so-scary Ghost Host will enter



tain you with a series of haunted stories related to the historic town and other points of interest along its spectral trek.

The Chelsea Education Foundation is a local non-profit organization that provides over \$60,000.00 to the community in the form of educational grants and scholarships.

According to Carolyn Adkins, CEF president, this event will be a helpful addition to the foundation's fund raising efforts this year.

"During times like this, it is important to look for creative venues in order to raise additional funds," she said. "We are fortunate to have a community and local businesses who are willing to support the foundation and its causes."

Trolleys will depart every 30 minutes from the corner of Taylor Street and Old US 12 in Chelsea. Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child (6th grade and under). For more information on the Haunted Trolley and the Chelsea Education Foundation, visit www.ChelseaHauntedTrolley.com.

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October 29, 2009

Signature Chefs Auction on tap

By Jana Miller
Heritage Newspapers

Premature births are a killer. In fact, they are the No. 1 killer of infants in the United States. That's a scary thought given that one in every eight babies is born prematurely in the states.

What that amounts to is half a million babies. That's why the March of Dimes has been important to so many families, including Stan and Linda Learman of Saline.

The couple is this month's mission family at the Signature Chefs Auction Monday. They gave birth to two premature twins, as well as another premature son.

The fundraiser is meant to raise much-needed monetary support for research. The organization's mission is to find out what causes babies to be born prematurely and how premature birth can be prevented.

Oftentimes, people never know that

the March of Dimes and the research they have completed affects healthy babies, too. Babies born healthy still benefit from newborn screenings of disease and other potentially harmful agents.

"March of Dimes is an advocate for all babies," said March of Dimes Community Director Hilary Simmet. "One of the things we correlate it to is the tests for enzyme deficiencies. Really, all babies are affected by March of Dimes and benefit from its research."

So to keep the momentum going, the organization is hosting its fifth annual Signature Chef's Auction Monday, where top chefs from the Ann Arbor area will cater extraordinary taste portions. There also will be wine and spirits at the tasting, as well as a silent auction, a program presentation and a live auction for various prizes.

Some of the silent and live auction items vary from jewelry and toys to

home décor and services from the attending chefs themselves.

The gourmet extravaganza includes 16 chefs from Ann Arbor-area restaurants, including Chop House, Christian's Catering, Grange Kitchen and Bar, Gratz, LaDolce Vita, Logan-An American Restaurant, Mediterranean, Melange, Michael's Chop House, Moveable Feast, Pacific Rim by Kana, Schokolad Chocolate Factory, The Common Grill, Victor's, Vinology and Weber's Inn Restaurant.

Most of the chefs are set to prepare two of their signature dishes beginning at 5:30 p.m. that night to more than 300 attendees. Some of the meals include cider-braised beef with winter squash, as well as surf and turf sliders with Kobe beef patties and lump crab meat.

So far, Simmet said, 330 guests have purchased tickets to the event. There is still room for 70 more, however; at the Four Points Sheraton at 3200

Boardwalk in Ann Arbor.

"I think a lot of people come because of the food, which is going to be amazing," Simmet said. "But once they're there, they get really engaged by the mission."

Approximately 75 percent of the attendees are returning donors. This year's group will enjoy the tasting and silent auction from 5:30 to 7:45 p.m., when the program and live auction both begin. The event is expected to last until 9:30 p.m.

The program itself will feature the mission family, Stan and Linda Learman, as well as honoree Jan Garfinkle of Arboretum Ventures, who also gave birth to premature twins. The even co-chairs are Dan and Madelyn McMurtrie and Bruce and Linda Thomson.

The cost to attend is \$150 per person and \$1,500 per corporate table. Tickets may be purchased now through Monday. Call 761-6331.



Chef Robert Underwood from Mediterraneo restaurant works on one of his courses at last year's March of Dimes Signature Chefs Auction fundraising event.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Halloween Hoopla

2 p.m. Saturday, a presentation about frogs that face the scariness of winter by freezing solid and reviving in spring. Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road, Chelsea. Pre-registration requested. Free. \$6 vehicle entry fee. 475-3170.

Heart & Soul Connections Circle

Meditation, movement and acupuncture techniques for decreasing stress, depression and anxiety. 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays, at The Mission Market Place, 117 S. Main St., Chelsea. Call 433-4213.

Chelsea Maze

7-11 p.m. Friday, 1-11 p.m. Saturday. \$6 day, \$8 night. Kids 4 and younger admitted for free. Visit www.chelseamaze.com or call 517-214-0613.

Transition Towns: Use Less, Live More

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 7, Michigan Friends Center, 7748 Clark Lake Road, Chelsea. Free, donations accepted. Local foods lunch available for \$10. Presented by Transition Town Chelsea, Michigan Friends Center, and Transition Ann Arbor. Call 475-1892 or visit <http://michiganfriendscenter.org>.

Artist Jan Dorer

Chelsea Gallery will host "Celebrate an Opening Reception" from 6 to 9 p.m. Nov. 14, featuring Chelsea artist Jan Dorer.

Memory Loss Support Group

Second Thursday of each month, Garden Room at Silver Maples in affiliation with the Alzheimer's Association.

Writers' Workshop

The Chelsea Writers' Workshop meets alternate Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., Chelsea, through Dec. 19. Call 433-2208, ext. 6042.

Chelsea Farmers' Market

From 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, on Park Street in Chelsea.

'Escanaba'

Through Dec. 19, Purple Rose Theatre. The final installment of Yooper trilogy by Jeff Daniels. Call 433-7673 or visit www.purplerosetheatre.org.

Maples Gallery

Located at Silver Maples of Chelsea. Open seven days a week, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free. Portraits by artist Pam Hoffer.

Chelsea Center for the Arts

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday at Center Gallery, 400 Congdon St. Paintings, photography, stone-ware, sculpture, jewelry, art glass, textiles and more. Free. Call 433-2787 or visit chelseacenterforthearts.org.

Mornings, Mochas and Melodies

Pierce's Pastries Plus, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., Saturday mornings, 103 W. Middle St. Call 475-6081.

Chelsea Historical Museum

Located in the Gourmet



Chocolate Café, Clock Tower complex. 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Chelsea Treehouse

Indoor playhouse, 320 N. Main St., in the Clock Tower complex. Call 475-1555 or visit thechelseatreehouse.com

Chelsea Milling Co. 'Jiffy Mixes'

201 W. North St., Chelsea. To schedule a tour, call 475-1361. Tours last approximately 90 minutes and are appropriate for ages 6 and up. Reservations are required.

Chelsea Teddy Bear Co.

400 North Main St., in the Clock Tower complex. Factory tours at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., every non-holiday. Saturday, weekdays and groups by appointment. Call 433-5499 or visit www.chelseateddybear.com.

Music at the Zou

Zou Zou's features original acoustic artists nearly every weekend, from 8 to 11 p.m. 101 Main St. Call 433-4226 or visit www.zouzouscafe.com.

SculptureWalk Chelsea

Yearlong outdoor sculpture exhibition in downtown Chelsea. Online and print brochures provided for self-guided walking tours. Runs through May 31, 2010.

Enhance Fitness for 50+

Chelsea Senior Citizens Activities Center, 512 E. Washington St., through June 30, 2010. Costs \$2 per person per class. Drop-ins welcome. Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., and Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Call 475-9242 or visit www.chelseaseniors.org.

Chelsea District Library

For information, call 475-8732 or visit www.chelsea.lib.mi.us.

Chelsea Senior Center

Located at 512 Washington St. Call 475-9242 for program registration and 24 hour advance lunch reservation.

SALINE

Devil's Night Concert

7 to 11 p.m. Friday: to benefit The Fifth Corner, Saline's future teen center. All ages welcome, come in costume. Local teen bands and musicians Old Fashioned Knife Fight, Echoes, Redleader, Sly and Jane Collins. 117 S. Ann Arbor St., church at the corner of E. Henry and S. Ann Arbor St. \$5.

Saline Fiddlers Fall Concert

7 p.m. Nov. 7, Saline Middle School. Creole-Zydeco and Cajun band Dennis Stroughmatt and Creole Stomp will appear with the Saline Fiddlers at the Fiddlers' annual Fall Hometown Concert. Tickets \$15 and \$20, on sale now. Visit www.salinefiddlers.com or call 866-257-5333, ext. 1.

DEXTER

Dexter Community Orchestra

7 p.m. Friday, Warren Puffer Jones directs in a program highlighted by a performance of the first movement from Haydn's Creation, with the Ann Arbor Cantata Singers and baritone soloist Joseph Roberts. Dexter Center for the Performing Arts, Dexter High School, 2200 N. Parker Dexter. Free. 355-0725.

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Center, 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. Costs \$5 per player; free for spectators. Requires \$4 vehicle entrance fee. Call 449-4300.

Artists

3203 Broad St. Dexter. Call 426-1500.

Dexter District Library

The Dexter District Library is located at 3255 Alpine St. in Dexter. All library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call 426-4477.

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Chocolate Drop

To benefit Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary. The Melting Pot will provide chocolate and desserts for dipping. There will be face painting and live entertainment. From 2 to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at 8280 Judd Road in Willis, near Lincoln High School. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$6 for children, and adult ticket price includes a \$10 gift certificate to Melting Pot. Tickets can be purchased at www.rabbitsanctuary.org or for more information, call 461-1726.

Ypsilanti Farmers' Market

Tuesdays at Hamilton Street; Wednesday and Saturdays at Depot Town: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Nov. 7.

Puppet Shows

3:30 p.m., Sundays: The Dreamland Puppet Troupe presents marionette, rod, and shadow puppet shows. Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington, Ypsilanti. \$5 (age 3 and under, free). Call 657-2337.

Huron Valley Harmonizers

Tuesdays. Male singers invited to join weekly rehearsals of local barbershop harmony choruses. 7:30 p.m., Stony Creek United Methodist Church, 8635 Stony Creek Road, Ypsilanti.

Purple Rose Halloween

The Purple Rose Theatre Co. has announced a half-price Halloween special for "Escanaba," by Jeff Daniels for both the 3 and 8 p.m. performances on Saturday. The play is the final installment of the classic Yooper trilogy that began with "Escanaba in da Moonlight" and "Escanaba in Love." Discount tickets can be reserved by calling 433-7673. Box office hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Discount tickets also are available for purchase at www.purplerosetheatre.org.

Free to visitors (\$130 annual dues). Call 445-1925.

Voices in Harmony

7-10:30 p.m., Tuesdays. Women invited to join weekly rehearsals of 40-member barbershop harmony chorus. UAW Local 898 Hall, 6975 Textile Road, Ypsilanti. Free to visitors (\$20 monthly dues). Call 480-8843.

Country Fair

10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday. Hay rides, Hippy Hop Hollar, petting farm, Noah's Ark obstacle course, corn maze, giant slide, bungee run, and more. Ward's Orchards, 5565 Merritt Road, Ypsilanti. \$11.50 (\$8.75 after 4:30 p.m.; group rates available). 482-7744.

Night Terrors

7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Six different scary areas and more than 115 live "monsters," hayrides through a haunted village, asylum, labyrinth, haunted barn, and mined shaft. Refreshments available. 5565 Merritt Road, Ypsilanti. \$15 for access to one area; \$27 for all areas. 482-7744.

Parenting On Your Own

10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Tuesdays. Hope Center, 518 Harriett St., Ypsilanti. Free. Call 484-2989.

Halloween Concert

7 p.m. Friday: Kevin Miller and EMU Symphony Orchestra present surprises and spooky music. Audience is invited to come in costume. \$10 adults, \$8 students and seniors, \$6 under 12. Pease Auditorium, 207 Welch Hall, Ypsilanti.

Ghost Stories

7 p.m. Friday: Dreamland Puppet Troupe presents ghost stories set in the woods. Preceded at 4 p.m. by a "Dreamland Haunted Theater

Tour," Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington, Ypsilanti. \$5. 657-2337.

Brandywine Cemetery

7:30 to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday: Elaborate haunt filled with ghoulish creations, creepy creatures and scary oddities. 2727 Brandywine. Free, donations accepted for Ypsilanti High School Drama Club. Visit brandywinecemetery.com.

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum

7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. EMU Theater Department. Quirk Theater, Ford St. EMU campus, Ypsilanti. Tickets \$15 (students, \$12; 12 and under, \$6). 487-2282.

Sick & Strange Variety Show

9 p.m. Saturday: Daredevilry, fortune-telling, and Black Mass. Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington, Ypsilanti. \$12. 657-2337.

Twisted Tales of Terror

7 p.m. Nov. 13; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Nov. 14; 2 p.m. Nov. 15. Ypsilanti Youth Theatre, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 120 N. Huron, Ypsilanti. Tickets \$8/\$4. Visit www.ypsilyouththeatre.org or call 481-9285.

Falconaires

7 p.m. Nov. 13: The Falconaires, the U.S. Air Force Academy Band, in concert at Pease Auditorium 207 Welch Hall Ypsilanti. Tickets are required, free from EMU Ticket Office by calling 487-2282.

Baritone Robert Peavler

8 p.m. Monday, Robert Peavler, EMU music faculty, performs solo recital with pianist Joel Schoenhals. Pease Auditorium, College Place and West Cross, Ypsilanti.

Adolphe Sax Memorial Recital

Noon Nov. 6, EMU saxophone students perform a concert commemorating inventor of the saxophone. Alexander Recital Hall, Alexander Music Building, Lowell and East Circle Drive, Ypsilanti.

Annual Holiday Bazaar

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 7, Immanuel Baptist Church ABW, 1565 E. Forest Ave., Ypsilanti. Proceeds are used for local and foreign missionary work. Call 483-4107.

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Corn Maze: Talladay Farms

6 to 10 p.m. Friday, Saturday. Adjacent to Wasem's Orchards. 6270 Judd Road. Costs \$6 (\$5-11, \$5; 4 and younger, free with a parent). 645-1791.

Trick-or-Treat Hour

5 to 6 p.m. Friday. Organized by Milan Downtown Development Authority and Milan Area Chamber of Commerce for children who attend Symons and Paddock elementary schools. Children should visit stores with an orange filer in the window. Merchants will be judged for Best Dressed Window, Funniest and Scariest Costumes. Winners will be awarded certificates at the Nov. 13 Milan Area Chamber of Commerce Breakfast. Children should be accompanied by an adult.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birth

Brian and Amy (Milliken) Cook recently announced the birth of their daughter, Emily Elizabeth Cook. She was born on Sept. 1, 2009 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Christina Cook of Grass Lake, Linda and Bruce Pratt of Chelsea and Patrick Milliken of Grass Lake.

Brian and Amy are high school sweethearts who graduated from Chelsea High School in 1994.



Wedding

Mariette Sakcriska Baker and Kevin Davis were united in marriage on June 11, 2009 on Mackinac Island. The ceremony took place on the porch of the Grand Hotel.

The couple, along with their parents and children traveled

to the island for the celebration. The bride's daughter, Amy (Baker) Warren, was the Matron of Honor. Following the ceremony and a champagne reception, the bride and groom enjoyed a carriage ride around the island. A dinner reception, and dancing in the Grand Hotel's ballroom completed the evening.

The bride's parents are Glenn Sakcriska of Ypsilanti, and Babette and Bob Ford of Chelsea. The groom is the son of Harold Davis of Birch Run and the late Dolores Davis. The couple's children are Carrie Baker of Ypsilanti, Amy and Nate Warren of Detroit, and Shelby Davis of Chelsea.

The bride and groom spent their honeymoon on a Caribbean cruise. The couple are both employed by the University of Michigan and reside in Chelsea.



Anniversary

Henry and Barbara Deppner of Chelsea recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple, married on Oct. 16, 1959 in Detroit, celebrated in Frankenmuth on Oct. 9.

Barbara Dolph and Henry Deppner were both born in Detroit.

They are the parents of Dennis (Julie) Deppner and Denise (Keith) Schultz. Grandchildren are Nick and Drew Deppner, Hannah and Ben Keller, Ben and Isaac Schultz.

Both Henry and Barbara retired from Oakland County in 1993 and moved to Crystal River, Fla. Henry was also a



police officer in Detroit for several years in the 1950s and 1960s. Henry and Barbara enjoyed several retired years in Crystal River, playing golf, bowling and spending time



outdoors with many new friends. They recently moved to Chelsea to be closer to their family and watch their grandchildren participate in many activities.

Anniversary

Harold and Ethel (Platt) Samuelson of Dexter recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

The couple was married on Oct. 29, 1949 in Charlotte, Mich. They celebrated at their home with children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and cousins.

Harold was born in Daggett, Mich., while Ethel was born in Charlotte. They moved to Dexter in 1962.

Their children are Barbara (Steve) Locks of Dexter; Betty (John) Given of Hibbing, Minn.; David (Susan) Samuelson of Westerville, Ohio; and Julie Samuelson of Dexter. They have 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Harold and Ethel were both teachers in the Dexter Community Schools. Harold taught seventh and eighth grade

science and fifth grade; Ethel taught first, third and fourth grade.

They are active members of the Dexter United Methodist Church and Dexter Area Historical Society, and Harold is a member of the American Legion Post 557. He served in WW II in the Philippines and Japan.

Harold and Ethel met at a church youth group Halloween party, and started dating shortly after. They have had many adventures through their 60 years together. One highlight of their marriage was traveling to Sumatra, Indonesia, where Harold worked for the U.S. Rubber Company for two years. A second highlight was traveling to Sweden and making connections with Harold's Swedish cousins and other relatives. They studied Swedish so they could communicate with their cousins, and family have



become treasured friends. "We are grateful to the Dexter community for their friendship and support, while teaching and during our retirement," Ethel told her daughter, Barbara Locks.

Practice, performance and power: Conquering the beast

By Lisa Hinz-Johnson
Director of Music, Chelsea Center for the Arts

It might begin with the sound of the ocean rushing through your ears, followed by the acrid taste of metal in your mouth. Next comes the crazy conga beat of your heart pounding out of your chest - a bit like Bugs Bunny in love, minus the love. The room begins to swirl, the walls in the room shrink your personal space to the size of a coffin. All of your sensibilities have fled, along with the last trace of saliva in your mouth. You take a breath, try to swallow... Sahara desert. All eyes on you, waiting... you desperately seek your happy place, happy place, happy place...

We've all been there, whether it is a momentary queasiness when it's your turn to say the table prayer at family Thanksgiving, knocking knees singing a solo with the community choir, or a debilitating fear of public speaking. These fears can be frustrating at the very least and can be utterly paralyzing for many people. With the best of intentions, our mothers encouraged us to picture our audience in their underwear—a bit disturbing on a number of levels—but, luckily, there are other tools to conquer performance anxiety or stage fright.

Performance anxiety is a multi-headed beast, and in order to defeat it we must first determine the sources of its power. Our own lack of preparedness is the biggest culprit in undermining a performer's confidence. So, the first order of business is to be sure that you are thoroughly, completely prepared.

This means knowing your subject matter inside and out, and truly having the mechanics of the presentation or performance worked

through. Our worst fears feed off of our insecurities, and if we were better at truly living in the moment we would eradicate our fears. So, the next strategy is to simply live in the moment. Give yourself permission to accept the feelings for what they are - good, bad, or ugly - and under no circumstance ask yourself in that moment, "But, what if...?"

In my early years as a classical singer, I struggled with severe performance anxiety; the kind that can make one re-evaluate a successful performance career in favor of a desk job. My doctor at that time prescribed Beta-blockers to stop the overwhelming adrenaline surge that accompanied my panic attacks. They worked quite well, but I really hated the idea of having to rely on medication to help curb my extreme fears.

Luckily, I had an epiphany after one particularly angst-filled performance. I realized that I was spending a disproportionate amount of energy on keeping the fears at bay. Virtually all of my focus was being directed at pushing the fear beast away at a great cost to my musicianship and performance art. So, I decided to open wide the doors and welcome in the fear. I had absolutely nothing to lose, since pushing away the fear was clearly not working. It was a last ditch effort to try something so ludicrous that it just might work.

So, after the initial bungee jump into the abyss, I decided to welcome the beast. I began to harness the fear and it actually became something akin to performance energy; it was merely a matter of practice. Each time my panic attacks would threaten to sabotage an upcoming performance, I began to practice a specific set of steps to beat it: First, breathe. Breathe,

luxurious, low, slow breaths that you feel down to your toes. Breathe in as if you are yawning and have all the time in the world. Then, slowly exhale.

Next, smile. Just a gentle, little smile that my former choir professor used to call a Buddha smile. It works wonders.

Then, allow the physical and emotional symptoms of fear to enter in. Do not fight them. This is the strange part, and may seem a bit counterintuitive. But, now's the time to give yourself permission to have sweaty palms, knocking knees, and the Bugs Bunny heartbeat. Welcome them.

Once you stop using all of your energies to fight the fear, you will begin to notice that you are gaining some control. Next comes the moment when you feel your fear symptoms begin to morph into something positive, and you begin to channel them into performance energy. These are the most magical moments for both performers or speakers and their audience.

Rock and roll music legend Stevie Nicks once said, "If you have stage fright, it never goes away. But then I wonder, is the key to that magical performance because of the fear?"

Charismatic public speakers and compelling performers often struggle with severe performance anxiety, and most of us are completely unaware of their inner battles. They clearly have learned how to conquer the beast. So, the good news is that fear really can enhance performance. The key is to channel it and welcome it with open arms.

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Stockbridge Town Hall Players present 'Peter Pan'

The Town Hall Players proudly announces their next musical production "Peter Pan" directed by Jeff Boyer assistant director Julie Chapman, vocal director Jim Kaderabek and choreography by Christine Landis and Jennifer Hamlin.

There will be a live orchestra, led by piano conductor Leslie Austin. Jim and Leslie are from the Ann Arbor/Dexter area and have been involved with several community theatre groups in surrounding communities.

This performance is based on the play by James M. Barrie. Lyrics by Carolyn Leigh Music by Mark Charlap, additional music by Julie Styne, additional lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green.

Peter Pan centers on young Wendy Darling who mesmerizes her brothers every night with bedtime tales of swordplay, swash-buckling and the fearsome Captain Hook. But the children become the heroes of an even greater story, when Peter Pan flies into their nursery one night and leads them over moonlit rooftops through a galaxy of stars to Neverland. Wendy and her brothers join Peter and the Lost Boys in an exhilarating life - free of grown-up rules - while also facing the inevitable showdown with Hook and his pirate gang.

Audiences of all ages are welcome to enjoy an entertaining show of singing, dancing and whole lot of fun and adventure.

Performance will be held at the Historical Town Hall in Stockbridge on Nov. 6, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 15. Friday and Saturday shows start at 7 p.m. with an addition matinee at 2 p.m. on the 14th. The Sunday shows are at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Stockbridge pharmacy and at the door the days of the

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The problem is loud and clear

Here is a staggering statistic: close to 40 percent of hearing-impaired Americans are under the age of 65. So, if you feel like you're too young to lose your hearing, you are not alone. Hearing loss is a major problem in today's society. It is the third most prevalent chronic condition after arthritis and high blood pressure.

Why is hearing loss such an issue now? Well, the largest segment of the American population is the baby boomers, which has been exposed to more noise pollution than any previous generation. Just think about how things have changed over your lifetime. There have been wild rock concerts, bass-thumping discos, action-packed movies and, most recently, personal music devices.

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Pick the right gift for senior citizens

The holiday shopping season has returned, and legions of holiday shoppers are filling the nation's malls in the hunt for that perfect gift.

When it comes to holiday shopping lists, many friends and family members are a breeze to shop for. Is there an ardent sports fan in the family? Tickets to a ballgame will likely be a homerun. Need to find something for the family film buff? A few of his or her favorites on DVD should suffice.

But as easy as some people are to shop for, there's always a person or two who's nearly impossible to find something for. One group that many people find particularly difficult to shop for is the elderly. Unlike kids who would enjoy the newest video game or a gadget-crazy adult who just wants the latest must-have appliance, senior citizens are often more difficult to shop for.

That might be due in part to seniors living on fixed incomes or seniors who might no longer be physically capable of participating in their favorite activities. However, there are gift ideas that can still strike a chord with grandma or grandpa and ensure their holiday is just as enjoyable as everyone's.

Gift baskets

Holiday gift baskets are filled with goodies that nearly everyone loves. Cookies, coffees, fruits and reusable items such as holiday candles are often good choices to put in gift baskets. Just make sure when giving a gift basket to include food grandma and grandpa can eat.

Give a night out on the town

Many seniors live on fixed incomes, which greatly reduces the amount of money they have available for nights out. That can make a night out on the town especially meaningful. Include dinner at a favorite restaurant and theater tickets, and include yourself in the night's festivities if you haven't been able to spend much time with mom and dad lately. For seniors, a special night out on the town is likely to be far more memorable than you might think.

Gift certificates

While some might think a gift certificate is a little detached, that doesn't have to be the case. In fact, giving a senior a gift card to the local movie theater and promising to go along is essentially giving them an afternoon or



evening of your time.

When giving a gift card to a nearby clothing store or other retailer, make a day of it and go shopping with that special senior citizen in your life. Reading, too, is often a favorite hobby of the elderly, so a gift certificate to a nearby bookstore could also be a perfect fit.

A vacation

In many instances, grandma and grandpa live far away from their children and grandchildren, particularly these days, when families are spread out more than ever.

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Cedars of Dexter gives seniors living options

The Cedars of Dexter may be new; however, the organization has roots that go back to the beginning of the 20th century.

In 1907, The Methodist Episcopal Old Peoples Home opened its doors in Chelsea to serve the needs of the "lonely aged."

Fast-forward to 2009 and you'll find the original "Methodist Home" now known as The Chelsea Retirement Community.

With a 103-year history of excellence and as a provider of choice, they offer a full continuum of service that includes independent living, assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing along with wonderful rehabilitative services.

In 2005 UMRC decided to expand independent options for those ages 60 and over, so work began on the development of a plan for the purchase of a historic piece of land in Dexter adjacent to The Gordon Hall Mansion. Gordon Hall is noteworthy because it was the home of Judge Samuel Dexter, the founder of the Village of Dexter.

In 2008 The Cedars of Dexter opened the information center and model homes on the Dexter site. In March 2009, The Cedars of Dexter received life lease approval from The Office of Financial and Insurance Regulations in Lansing, which marked the start of reserva-

tions, securing preferred locations and lowest prices.

Sixty craftsman cottages situated on 15 picturesque acres will be complemented by a fully appointed clubhouse. The clubhouse will feature fine and casual dining, a well equipped fitness spa that will include a pool, sauna and whirlpool that will support an overall emphasis on wellness.

The Life Learning Center, a multi-purpose room, will reflect interests of the residents who live at The Cedars. To date 28 of the 60 cottages have been reserved and 14 of those are now under construction. The 10,000 square foot clubhouse will be a focal point and gathering spot for the residents is projected to be fully operational by next fall.

One of the unique features of The Cedars is the design. Driving through the neighborhood will be reminiscent of the small intimate "front porch, neighbor friendly communities" that many of our future residents grew up on. Life at The Cedars will provide residents a beautiful place to live, encouraging them to continue to be engaged in a purposeful life while providing the peace of mind of having a safety net for future care at Chelsea Retirement Community.

During construction, the project will employ approximately 200

trades people a day and when completed approximately 80 new consumers will be customers for service and retail in the Dexter community. Who's moving to The Cedars? The answer is active, independent, energetic people who are fully engaged in life and have made the choice to be in charge of their future. They are choosing where they would like to live and will continue to live life on their terms. An added benefit is knowing future care will be delivered in an environment with a tradition of excellence in care and service.

Amenities

The community offers outstanding lifestyle amenities including:

- A club house featuring fine and casual dining options, a fitness center, life learning studio and special events banquet space.
- Paved walking paths, with close proximity to picturesque downtown Dexter.
- Adjoining historic Gordon Hall property (60 acres).
- Access to all levels of living at Chelsea Retirement Community.

Homes include:

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Heritage Foundation

The Heritage Foundation was created in 1998 to help United Methodist Retirement Communities keep its promise to its residents - that they will always have a home, even if they run out of resources.

Today the Heritage Foundation helps residents stay in their home, whether that home is at one of Chelsea Retirement Community apartment homes, Towsley Village, or Boulevard Temple. This is accomplished through the generosity of so many - family members and friends of current or former residents, members of the communities where UMRC has its facilities, and United Methodist churches and women's groups.

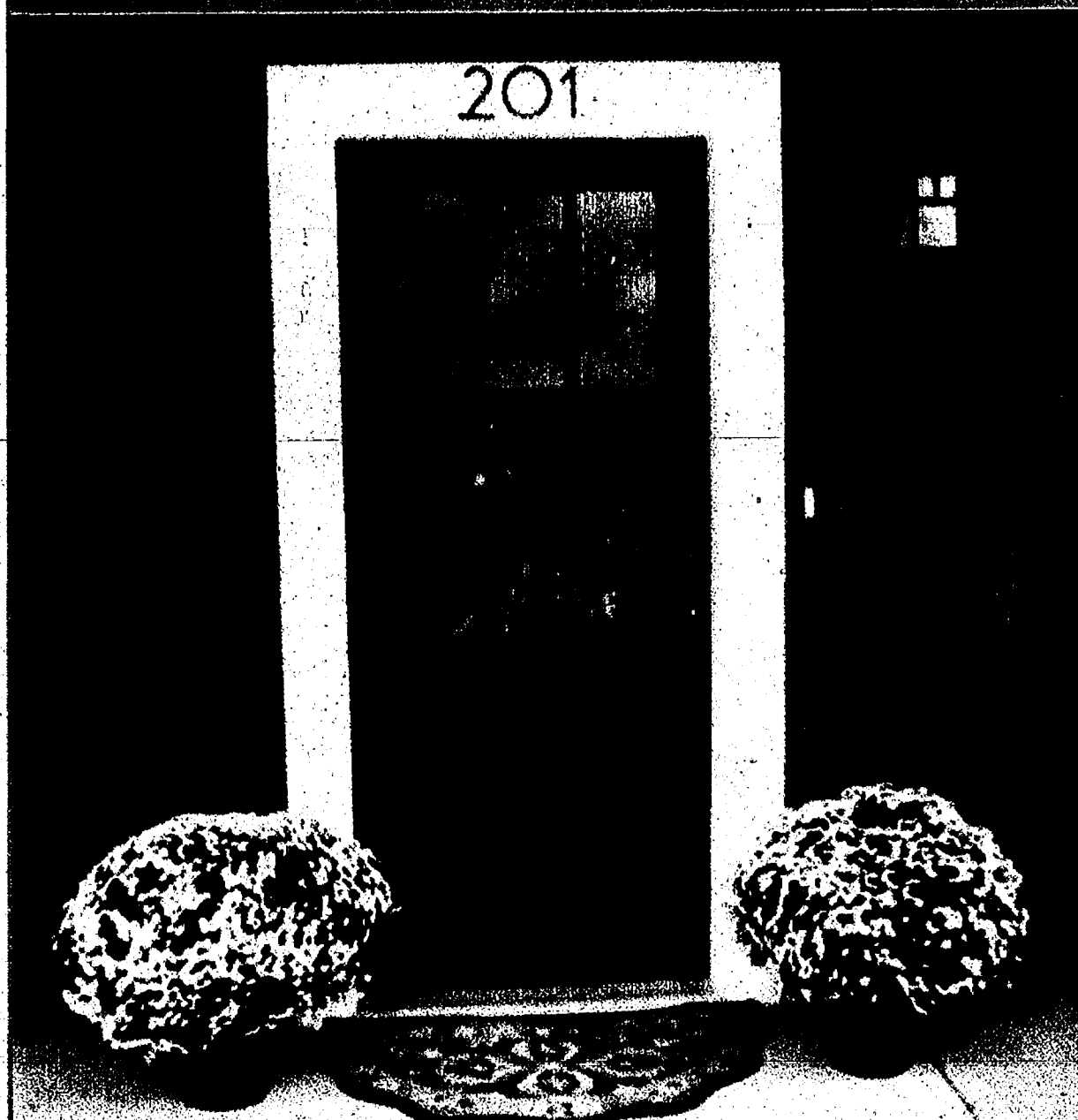
The generosity and support of all these people make a difference in the lives of our residents, both today and tomorrow.

For more information, call Marie Seddon at 734-433-1000, ext. 319, or e-mail mseddon@umrc.com.



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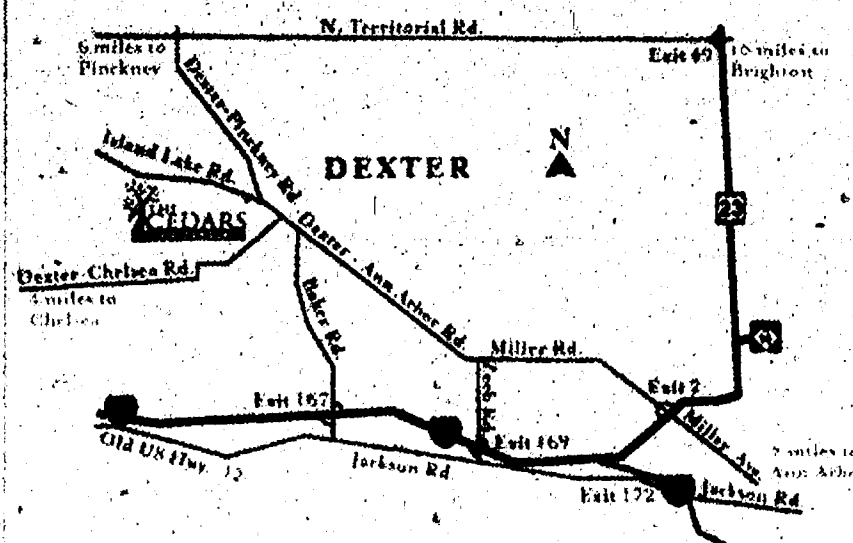
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Chelsea Retirement Community offers plenty of options



By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

Selling a house you have lived in for decades is never easy. It's the end of a chapter in a person's life. But for many seniors living in the Chelsea Retirement Community, that decision has turned out to be more of a beginning than an ending.

The Chelsea Retirement Community is a fully accredited, not-for-profit, faith-based continuing care community where seniors can enjoy an active lifestyle with exactly the level of assistance they want and need.

Their mission is quite simple.

"Building on a foundation of more than 100 years of service, United Methodist Retirement Communities promotes the wellness, dignity and independence of older adults by providing high quality and innovative residential and supportive services at Chelsea Retirement Community," said CEO John Thorhauer.

"We offer a wide range of services and living arrangements at our four communities. With a tradition of excellent service, a warm, caring and professional staff, and a commitment to cutting-edge care, UMRC is a leader in senior living options."

Chelsea Retirement Community is all about options, from where and how seniors want to live to what programs and activities seniors want to join. It's all about choices.

"Chelsea Retirement Community provides housing options for more than 350 residents," said Stacey Olson, marketing coordinator for Chelsea Retirement Community.

"There are 127 independent living



apartments and cottages, 49 assisted living studios, 102 memory care (for those with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia), and 95 skilled nursing and rehabilitation beds."

When it comes to programs and activities, there are plenty of options residents can choose from.

The Chelsea Retirement Community's daily calendar is

always full, fun and rewarding. From enjoying lifelong-learning classes to exercise programs, field trips and shopping excursions, musical performances, arts and crafts, book clubs and reading groups, religious studies, theme parties, ice cream socials - options are plentiful - seven days a week.

"The Adult Learners Institute

(housed on our campus) also provides additional education and learning opportunities for our residents," Olson said.

"Massage therapists, beauticians, WAVE bus transportation, and the popular Nintendo Wii bowling team are just a few other benefits of life at CRC."

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Evangelical Homes of Michigan opens Memory Support Center

By Dianna Huckestein

Evangelical Homes of Michigan recently opened its new Memory Support Center to work in conjunction with its full continuum of service offerings. In caring for older adults since 1879, our long history of providing care, as well as our innovative approach and strategic initiatives focuses our organization on offering care and services where they are needed.

In our journey of adding the new Memory Support Center to our service offerings, we researched the important features and aspects of caring for individuals with memory loss, as well as determining the unmet needs of their immediate network of caregivers.

The Memory Support Center at Brecon Village is the place where individuals with memory loss and their families and caregivers can experience a nurturing and caring approach.

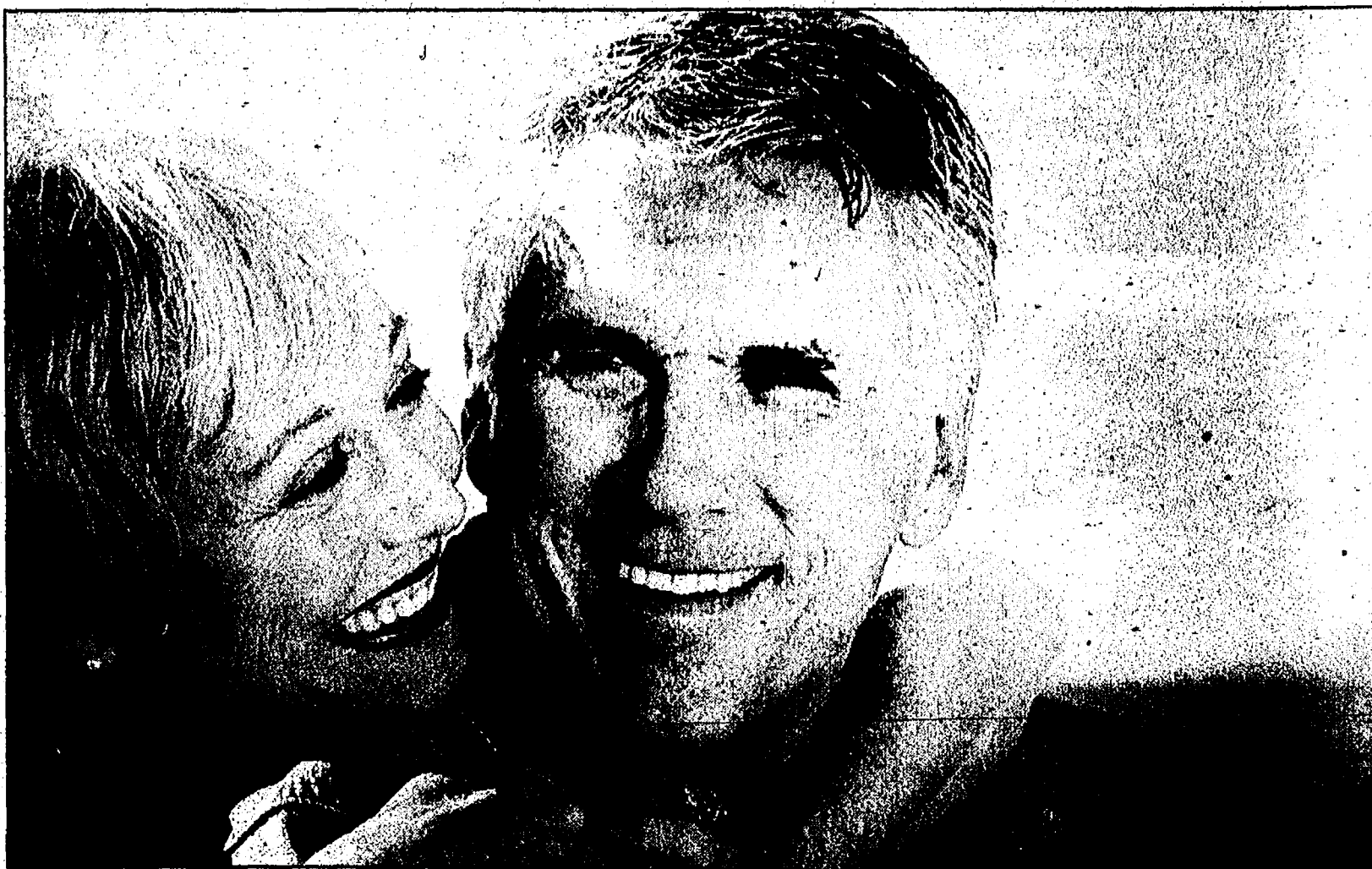
The Memory Support Center is on the 35-acre campus of Brecon Village in Saline. In addition to the already vibrant retirement community consisting of condominiums, independent living apartments, assisted living apartments and home care, the Memory Support Center offers a 32,000 square foot specialty residence encompassing various living spaces designed to support the resident and their loved ones through the many stages of memory loss.

Technologically enhanced cottages offer individuals security and connectedness to our vast resources; yet allow for a private home setting. These cottages are adjacent to the Memory Support Center allowing the resident to live with a loved one or friend and still receive our non-intrusive security and support. An adult day program, available seven days a week, provides daily recreation, social support and activities for persons with memory loss.

In a secure home-like setting, participants engage in meaningful experiences that promote their self-esteem and dignity. Caregivers have the comfort of knowing that while away from home, their loved one is safe and engaged. A library and resource center provides education, information and support to persons with memory loss, their caregivers and families. They have access to publications and the Internet. Materials and information are available for loan. The resource center also coordinates support groups, educational programs and seminars.

We believe the following factors are important components in our caring journey to ensure that every consideration is given to tending to the whole person.

These primary factors contribute to peace of mind and solace for the individual with memory loss and are



primary components of our program:

Specially Designed Environment and Branded Approach to Care Services

To date, more than 500 of Evangelical Homes of Michigan employees have been trained in the "Best Friends Approach to Alzheimer's Care" a nationally recognized model of care giving approaches designed for

On the exterior, many gardens surround the Memory Support Center. These gardens incorporate highly vibrant and fragrant plantings. They are intended to stimulate and soothe our residents. We also believe that touch is important to the overall well-being of each person, so we have an employed massage therapist in our Wellness Center.

Residents can relax and enjoy the pampering and soothing feeling that touch brings. Another important

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persons with memory loss.

The home we live in and the love that surrounds us helps shape who we are. We all know it is true that how we adorn our surroundings has an impact on our outlook on life. Attention to what is placed in the environment of our households is critical in defining how a person will feel when they are in that setting. We have taken great care to design our living areas with a fully functioning country kitchen, where baking and cooking can occur at any time, and those aromas and familiar smells fill the air and set the mood for the day.

aspect of the environment is the staff providing the care giving to your loved one.

The training of the employees caring for an individual with memory loss is of great importance. Caring for individuals with memory loss requires patience and advanced knowledge. Our defined approach in caring for our residents with memory loss by our support specialists is instilled into each and every employee. This defined approach provides the staff with the essential tools to ensure the safety and care of our residents.

Innovation and Technology

The importance of supervision of a loved one's movements within their residence cannot be understated. We learn many things about an individual from their movement and activity, such as when they are active in the living room or bedroom, or when they may need assistance.

The technology of motion sensors we have incorporated into each residence helps us to provide a safe and secure home for the person with memory loss. These sensors alert the staff to activity and movement of your loved one, which triggers a silent call to the staff to check on the resident. Our new Memory Support Center is equipped with security technology and has established procedures to ensure that your loved one is monitored at all times without the use of physical restraints or loud alarms that are harmful and disruptive. Our objective is to provide a quiet, yet secure environment.

Our program offers residents and caregivers the special support and care that they need on a daily basis. We have the expertise and experience to confront the challenges of dementia and memory loss. The Memory Support Center at Brecon Village is Washtenaw County's only program that provides comprehensive memory loss care and a variety of options for support.

For more information about Evangelical Homes of Michigan or the Brecon Village call 429-1155 or visit www.EvangelicalHomes.org.



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neal physiology from The Ohio State University in 1993.

Curcione was born and raised in Windsor, Canada. He received his undergraduate degree from Wayne State University in 1994 and his optometry degree from the Illinois College of Optometry in 1998.

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About IHA

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Investment Solutions, LLC has two locations in Ann Arbor to service the Michigan market.

"Our group has an average of over 15 years experience servicing clientele through all types of market conditions," the group states.

Laura Van Steenis and Alina Verdiyan are both certified retirement counselors, and James Craig is a licensed financial planner.

"We work with the senior community in helping to preserve wealth and estate conservation and planning. We will work with the whole family to help the senior achieve their investment goals," the group said.

"We continue to work with all age groups and experience levels."

Financial planners specialize in income diversification, 401(k) rollovers, IRA services, income plans, estate conservation, retirement plans, tax analysis, college savings and insurance and annuity products.

The firm also works closely with several attorneys in Washtenaw County. It also has an attorney on staff to handle complicated estate management and trust services.

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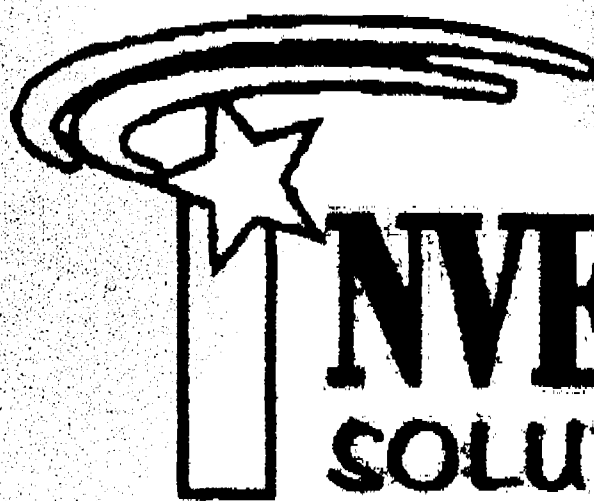
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Lee began his practice in 2007, after previously practicing with a group practice for 16 years. The decision to start his own practice came at the same time that Chelsea Community Hospital completed its new Professional Building on campus.

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and caring staff have allowed me to provide the very best orthopedic care to my patients."

Greater Chelsea Bone & Joint Surgery accepts most insurances and is able to accept and schedule new patients in a timely manner.

Caring for the children of existing patients puts the importance of what he does into context — helping people over the course of their lives and improving the quality of their lives.

"We have been blessed to give to the community through our good work and receive the appreciation of a great community in kind," Lee said. "Thank you, Chelsea."

Pomerance finds nitch in community

Dr. Sheryl Pomerance has been serving the residents of Saline for eight months and has been practicing dentistry for almost 30 years.

Pomerance is a graduate of the

University of Michigan School of Dentistry and has accumulated over 1,300 advanced training hours since graduation. She became a Fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry in 1989. She was also a clinical instructor at U-M in removable prosthodontics (dentures and partials) in 1980-81.

Pomerance provides comprehensive treatment planning for her patients in a gentle and professional manner. Pomerance's experience and advanced training makes her knowledgeable in many specialties.

"I have had specialty training

in many areas: jaw function and occlusion, endodontics (root canal treatment), fixed and removable restorations (crowns, bridges, partials and complete dentures, implant restorations),

sleep apnea, periodontal treatment and maintenance and orthodontics," she said. "With this broad range of expertise I can assess and treat patients more efficiently. You can improve your general health with a healthy mouth, and

your self-esteem and well being with a beautiful smile. We are welcoming new patients into our practice family."

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Hearing Aid Wearers Reported Improved Personal Relationships

By Patti Holt
NuEar Corporation

When your wife whispers those sweet nothings, do you understand? Do you misunderstand when your husband speaks to you softly in an intimate situation? Do you feel frustration when you try to communicate?

If this is you, it's not your fault, it's your hearing!

Hearing loss is one of the top 3 chronic health conditions that affects every aspect of life, especially

ly the ability to communicate with the people around you. You are not alone. It is very common, and there is help that is easily available to you.

Family members, co-workers and friends, who may struggle to be understood, can become very frustrated when they have to act as the "human" hearing aid for you. Intimacy and closeness in relationships can become strained.

For the thousands with hearing loss, nerves become frayed and the stress turns into anger with people they care about the most.

With a hearing loss, you lose clarity and are unable to discern words, no matter how hard you try. Voices sound muffled, words sound garbled and people seem like they talk too fast. Trying to get clarity may mean the TV is blaring. Turning up the volume does not turn up the

clarity. This is not the answer.

People need to be connected. It is a basic necessity of life. Hearing loss can turn simple moments of sharing time together into annoying episodes. You don't have to lose out on these special times forever.

According to Harold Rousey, resident psychiatrist at the Menninger Foundation in Kansas, men with untreated hearing loss, may fear the loss of potency and women may fear the loss of attractiveness. We know that hearing loss has considerably impact on our state of mind and often affects our behavior.

This information is further supported by a report "Quantifying the Obvious: The Impact of Hear-

ing Instruments on the Quality of Life." The study interviewed 15,000 people with hearing loss, and their family members, to understand how hearing instruments impacted the quality of their lives.

Overall the patients and their family members, rated improvements in their lives when wearing hearing aids. The study shows, "In nearly all cases, the family members noticed more improvements due to hearing instruments." The patient's themselves, said they had improved confidence and better relations with children/grandchildren. With this new-found confidence, all aspects of their personal relationships improved, including intimacy and their sex life!

Hearing clearly is essential to creating and maintaining good relationships and a wonderful quality of life. A relationship with healthy intimacy requires that both partners be heard. Some of the nicest and softest ways to express intimacy can be lost and is one of the most regretted affects of hearing loss. Don't you want these moments back?

Just remember that hearing loss is extremely common, and that help is available. You too, can become one of the thousands who have improved their quality of life through the use of hearing instruments.

Improve your hearing, improve your love life.

HEALTH INTEREST

Wanted More for the Man She Loved A Letter From One Spouse to Another

By Vickie Wilkerson

Dear friend,
My name is Vickie Wilkerson, and for 37 years I've been married to a wonderful man with a hearing loss.

Early in our marriage, I saw how hard it was for him to carry on normal conversations. I felt his embarrassment when words were repeated, but he still didn't understand. I watched him slowly withdraw from the world and it broke my heart.



Vickie Wilkerson - Her marriage is better because of hearing aids

I wanted more for the man I loved.

One day I received a letter in the mail - not too different from this ad - announcing a free hearing test and demonstration of the latest technology. I decided then and there to encourage my Jerome to go and have his hearing tested. I didn't know how fateful that decision would be.

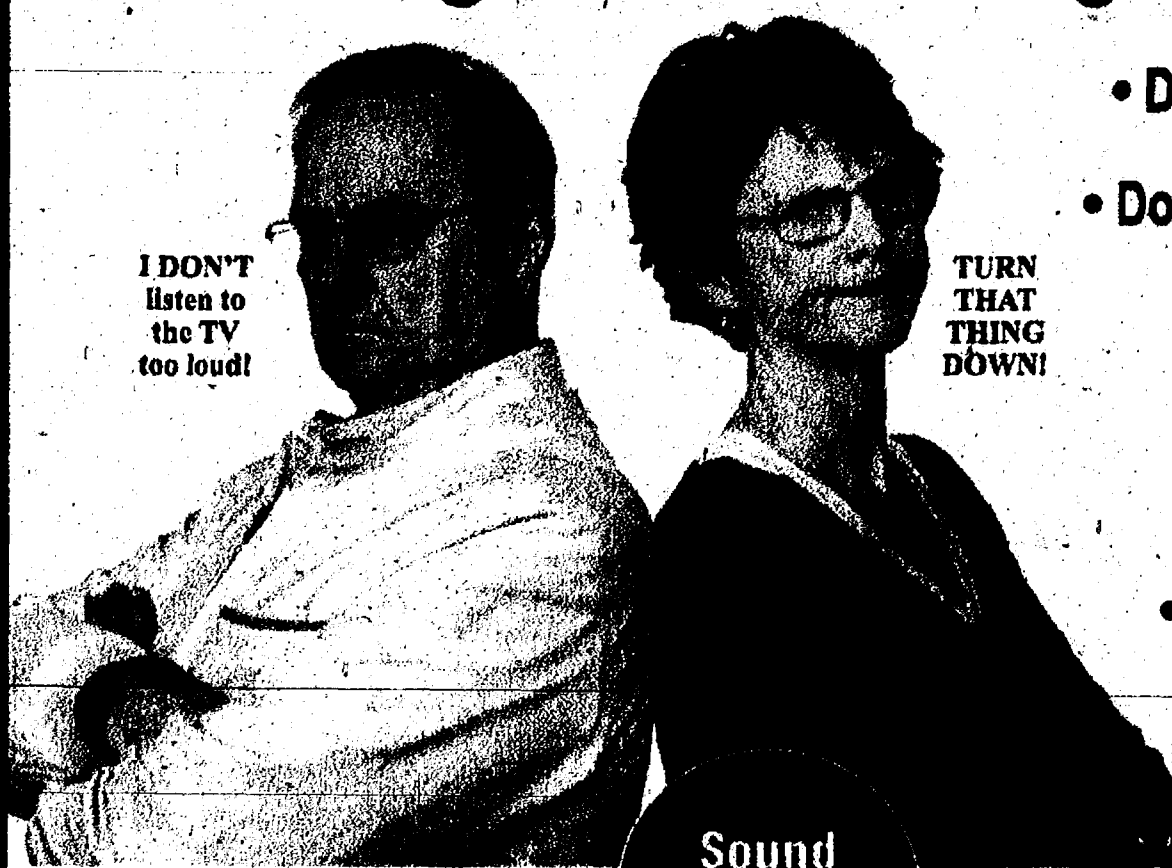
Not only can my husband hear and understand with his new hearing instruments, but our marriage is better and richer than ever. In fact, my husband, who is a caring and compassionate man, decided to dedicate his life to helping others with hearing loss.

21 years ago, I took the first step and made the appointment for Jerome. It was a call that forever changed not only Jerome's life, but my whole family. I encourage anyone with a spouse that is having trouble understanding or hearing to make the call. It was the best thing I ever did. I guarantee it will be the best call you will ever make.

With warm regards,
Vickie Wilkerson

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Is Hearing Loss Causing Problems at Home?



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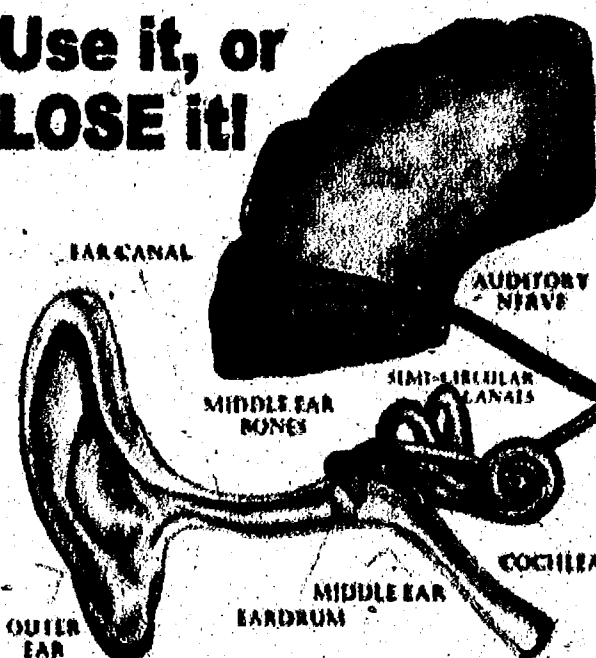
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Chelsea Retirement Community is also proudly built around a strong spiritual component. Olson says that's one of the factors that makes them unique in senior care living.

"The caring, home-like atmosphere that makes Chelsea Retirement Community a one-of-a-kind place can be traced to our faith-based mission," she said.

"Even casual visitors often comment on the warmth, fellowship and compassion displayed by residents and staff alike.

"Although our roots are in the United Methodist Church, our religious outlook is non-denominational. Ecumenical church services are conducted each Sunday and a staff chaplain are available throughout the week to offer spiritual guidance, comfort and support."

But there is more that makes the CRC a special place to live.

"What makes us different is that we are non-profit and faith based with a long history," Olson said. "We capture the spirit of meeting residents where they are. Our level of commitment, continuum of care, Benevolent Care program and variety of options are truly unique. We're an organization that makes people feel good - not only our residents, but our staff, volunteers, board members and supporters."

Chelsea Retirement Community is about living, a celebration of the past, present and future.

"Living at Chelsea Retirement Community is an experience; a culture," Olson said.

Towsley Village

More than 20 years ago, Chelsea Retirement Community established the nation's first dedicated residential facility devoted to all phases of Alzheimer's,

FAST FACTS

What: Chelsea Retirement Community

Where: 805 West Middle St., Chelsea

Phone: 1-734-433-1000

Established: 1906

On the Web: www.umrc.com

Background: A beautiful 58-acre campus is located in Chelsea and features a wide range of living options. The facility is part of the United Methodist Retirement Communities, which was founded in 1906 by Methodist church leaders and laymen who saw the need for an alternative means of caring for the lonely aged.

dementia and memory loss - Wesley Hall.

In 2000, United Methodist Retirement Communities continued its leadership and innovation in the field of memory loss with Towsley Village, offering state-of-the-art treatment for individuals at all stages of Alzheimer's, dementia and memory loss, in a warm and caring residential environment.

Located in a quiet area of the main Chelsea campus and surrounded by trees, fields and wetlands, Towsley Village is a 72,000 square foot building designed to replicate the look and feel of a small town.

Four separate neighborhoods of approximately 24 residents each are connected by a bustling town center complete with a 1940s-style diner, 35-seat movie theater, chapel, library, physician's office and beauty/barber shop.

To reinforce the sense of community, meals are prepared and served in neighborhood kitchens. Enclosed courtyards provide a safe, secure environment where residents can enjoy the outdoors and participate in barbecues and other open-air festivities.

For more information about Towsley Village, call 1-734-475-8633.

Terry Jacoby can be reached at tjacoby@heritage.com.

Study finds more seniors filing for bankruptcy

According to a 2009 study conducted by the AARP, the number of senior citizens, per period, bankruptcy filings among younger Americans had declined.

sons aged 65 and older, who filed for bankruptcy rose a staggering 150 percent between 1991 and 2007. Worse yet, a similar study by the Consumer Bankruptcy Project found that among people aged 75 to 84, bankruptcy rates increased by 433 percent.

Though neither study cited specific reasons for the drastic increase in bankruptcy filings among the nation's elderly citizens, many believe the rising costs of uninsured medical bills are the chief culprit.

That could ring especially true when considering the AARP study also noted that during the same time

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Yet the country's older Americans are widely believed to have amassed large amounts of debt simply to pay for uninsured medical bills, eventually forcing them into bankruptcy.

In addition to medical costs, many economists also feel the rising costs of other necessities, such as fuel and food, have proven especially harsh on seniors, a significant percentage of whom are living on fixed incomes, leaving

even those who have not filed for bankruptcy teetering on the brink of doing just that.

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Elder and family law mediation: making informed decisions and resolving conflicts



By Denise Couling
Special Writer

Caring for an older parent often presents issues that tug at the hearts of many adults. Right at the time when many adult children are preparing to enjoy their own retirements and hoping to realize long-awaited dreams, the realities of elder care and family disputes can cloud the horizon with the threat of personal and financial hardship as well as looming legal disputes.

At any stage of life, what can be more important than peaceful family relationships and providing for the good care of loved ones?

Misunderstandings and disagreements can lead to crises and legal disputes

Many Baby Boomers in, or approaching, their own retirement years find themselves faced with the complexity and, sometimes, the crises presented by elder care concerns. Elder care and legal issues frequently include:

- The elder's ability to adequately

handle their own personal care.

- The elder's ongoing prospects for safe and independent living.

- The elder's ability to properly handle their finances affairs.

- Preparing for advancing stages of dementia or Alzheimer's Disease.

- Planning for medical treatment and long-term care for progressive conditions.

- Sibling disputes as to appropriate housing or health care for older parents.

- Sibling disagreements in property and estate planning matters.

- The costs and prospects for care of a disabled child of elderly adults.

- Concerns as to safe driving, and transportation, of an older adult.

- Divorce between individuals of advanced age, sometimes involving important housing, health and financial considerations, or children from prior marriages.

These types of elder care and estate planning concerns can lead to family rivalries and resentments. Sometimes, they escalate into legal action.

Professional mediation

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Elder and Family Mediation

Preserve family harmony and resolve disputes without going to court

Older adults have unique legal needs, whether the issue involves decisions related to long-term care, guardianship, medical treatment, new living arrangements, financial and estate planning, or the dissolution of a longstanding marriage.

Elder and family mediation helps couples and families make informed decisions in a way that protects family privacy and preserves family harmony. Through mediation, families can respectfully resolve:

- Decisions about guardianship or conservatorship when an elder's decision-making is in question
- Disagreements among siblings over the medical care of an elderly parent
- Conflict over selling the family home or moving a loved one to a long-term care facility
- Property issues associated with a divorce, particularly when health considerations or children from prior marriages are involved

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Care issues rise for elders at holidays

Many families will be faced with the issue of senior care after holiday visits.

A sharply increasing number of families will face eldercare challenges during this approaching holiday season. For out-of-town visitors, seeing an elderly relative for the first time in a while may come as a shock.

For those who see their loved ones regularly, the holidays can be a time that stress and depression greatly increase for their loved ones.

"We are anticipating a record number of requests for home care assistance this season," Nicole Greer, owner of Synergy HomeCare of Michigan in Chelsea, said. "Historically, the week after Thanksgiving generates more requests from worried family members than any other week of the year."

This holiday season Synergy HomeCare is sending a message to all family

members to be alert to signs that their elderly relatives may need help.

"We are anticipating a record number of requests for home care assistance this season. Historically, the week after Thanksgiving generates more requests from worried family members than any other week of the year."

NICOLE GREER
Owner, Synergy HomeCare
of Michigan

In addition, Greer suggests that visiting family members speak with the people who see their elderly relative on a daily basis to find out if they have noticed any recent changes.

Synergy HomeCare is a leading provider of high quality non-medical assistance to those of any age that need assistance with their daily activities. Synergy HomeCare services are available 24 hours and are performed by experienced and trained caregivers.

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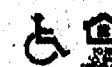
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Pay attention to warning signs of Alzheimers disease

As persons age, many understand there are certain things that are changing and need to be accepted. Someone who was once a night owl might now realize they work better on a full night's rest. Those who tended to spend long days at the office might realize they now need to head home at quitting time to better preserve their energy.

While both of those realizations manifest themselves physically, another more troubling problem occurs mentally. Alzheimer's disease affects as many as 5.3 million people in the United States alone, and Alzheimer's and dementia triple health care costs for Americans age 65 and older according to the 2009 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report from the Alzheimer's Association.

Part of the fear associated with Alzheimer's disease is the uncertainty surrounding it. While seniors might be willing to admit they can't burn the midnight oil like they once did, few can accept or are willing to admit they might be suffering some mental side effects of aging as well. Therefore, it's often up to friends and family to look for the warning signs of Alzheimer's. If you see or suspect any of the following signs in a friend or relative, consult a physician immediately.

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Powell and Udry's Dental Office is senior-friendly

Powell and Udry's, P.C., offers a full range of dental services at its convenient Saline location on 1101 N. Ann Arbor St.

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Office Manager Linda said that the office is especially convenient for senior citizens, given its proximity to Brecon Village.

There is easy access - no stairways outside or inside the office - and there is convenient parking.

The office was established in Saline over 25 years ago, and has been in its current location for 13 years.

Dr. Lisa Powell has been with the practice for 16 years. Powell graduated from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in 1992, achieving the highest scholastic record in her graduating class.

Her resume features several different awards, including awards in orthodontics and periodontics.

Partner Dr. Gytis Udry's has been with the practice for over nine years.

He graduated from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in 1997, and was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army in 2000.

Dr. Kendall Aldrich has been with the

practice for two years, having graduated from the Medical University of South Carolina.

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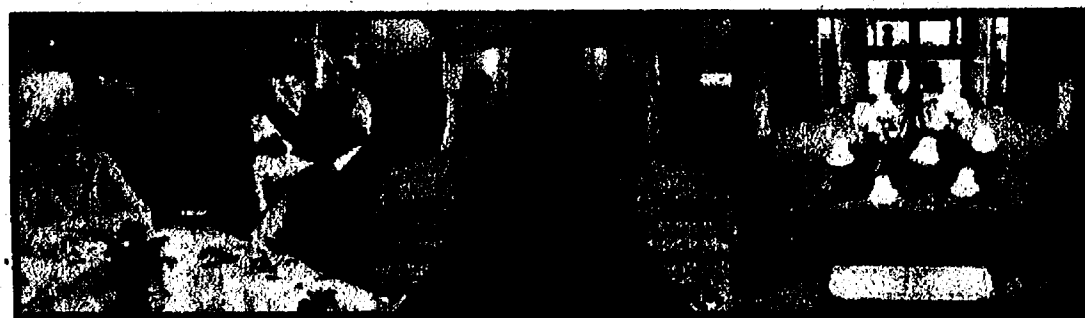
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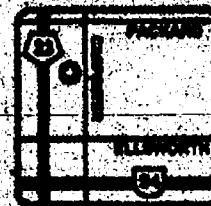
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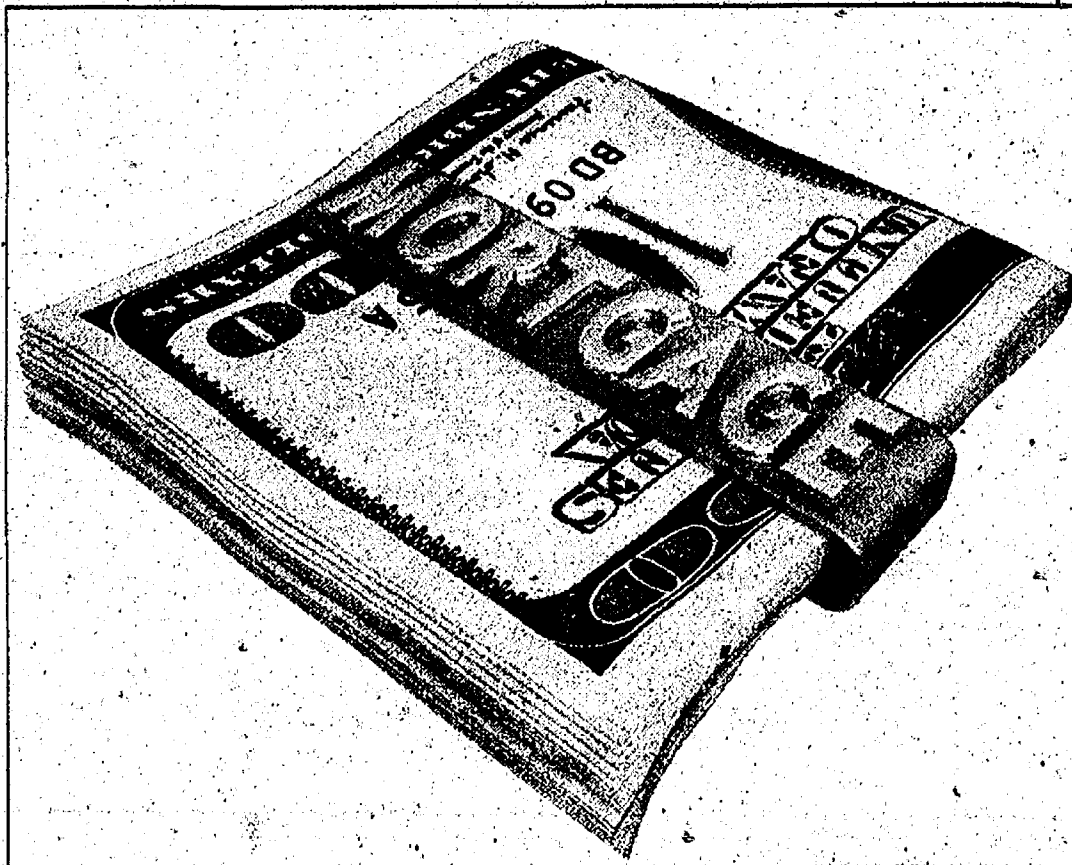
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Reverse mortgages: is it right for you?



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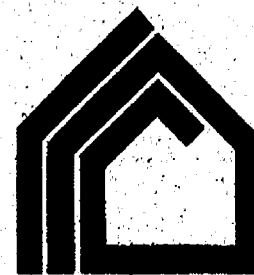
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Karen Frank of Grace Home Health Care (nurse); Susan Franke of Raymond James and Associates (financial advisor); Walt Graff of Genworth Financial (long-term care specialist); Greg Jagst of Home Instead Senior Care (personalized home care services); Dave Rhoads of Homeowner Services of America (remodeling and additions); Mary Stevens of Life Cycles (individual and family counseling); Chuck Suttles of Wells Fargo (reverse mortgage specialist);

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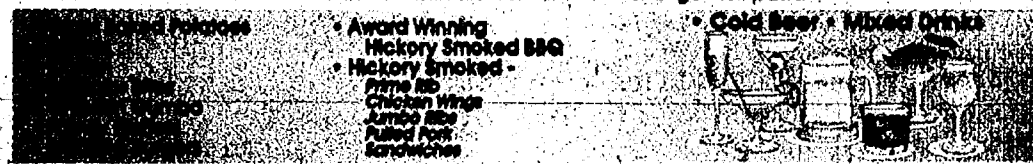
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When the first metatarsal gets out of place, it shifts your weight to the other metatarsals, which can lead to Metatarsalgia (pain in the balls of the feet) and Neuroma (a sort of callus on the nerve between the toes) which causes a sharp pain at the ball of the foot or toes.

When your foot over-pronates, it also rotates out, which puts the whole foot-leg-knee-hip-back chain out of alignment. This can result in shin splints, knee pain, hip pain, sciatica and low back pain.

What can be done?

The best solution is a pair of custom-made arch supports. They are made from a cast or scan of your feet, and are in full contact with YOUR arches. They're made to let you pronate just enough, but not too much. They keep your feet underneath you and provide a fulcrum point for your foot to

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What if I don't pronate?

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Dental practitioner makes his own smiles

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

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Utterback graduated from the University of Michigan Dental School with his undergraduate studies done at Albion College in 1966.

Before becoming a civilian general dental practitioner, he served in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1968 as a dentist serving army personnel.

Utterback had always wanted to go into medicine - with a bent towards being a surgeon.

"I like what I'm doing when I'm working with my hands," he said.

He says he enjoys the challenge.

"Some people that come in have suffered for years and they don't know it... they can't function," Utterback said.

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The program is open to county residents who are age 60 or older regardless of their income. Donations are accepted and all are asked to share in the cost of the meals if they can. However, no one is denied services if they cannot afford to pay.

For additional information contact Gwen Clayton at 1-734-544-3046 or email claytong@washtenaw.org.

Foster Grandparent Program

Foster grandparents are limited income adults over 60 years old who volunteer to work one-on-one with children who have special needs. Each volunteer serves more than 20 hours a week. In addition to the joy and reward of working with children, foster grandparents receive a monthly stipend, transportation assistance, and one meal per service day. Some volunteers in Washtenaw County have been involved in the program for more than 20 years.

For additional information contact Barbara Patterson at 1-734-544-6746 or email pattersonb@ewashtenaw.org.

Grandparents as Parents

This group offers caregiving grandparents (and other relatives) the opportunity to share common experiences, to better understand their grandchildren's special needs, and to access resources and information from community professionals.

The program provides support groups, educational workshops, counseling, children's groups and family activities. For more information, call 1-734-712-3625.

Any grandparent or custodial relative in Washtenaw County with parental responsibilities for raising a minor child is eligible for service.

Tax Assistance

Trained volunteer tax preparers help low-income seniors and disabled adults receive Michigan tax credits (Homestead Property, Home Heating) and file simple income tax returns.

Tax preparation sessions are scheduled throughout Washtenaw County at subsidized and limited-income senior housing facilities, senior centers and at the Catholic Social Services Older Adult Services office



in the Senior Health Building at St. Joseph Hospital in Ypsilanti. Home visits may be scheduled as needed.

Call 1-734-712-3625 to schedule a tax preparation session or informational presentation at your site.

RSVP

RSVP is a volunteer placement program for adults ages 55 and up interested in contributing their time and talents to serve local non-profit organizations. A primary objective of the program is to consider the skills and interests of each volunteer to ensure a rewarding experience. Volunteer benefits include accident and liability insurance, training opportunities, newsletters, recognition for service, and transportation reimbursement.

For more information, call 1-734-712-3625.

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program

Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County provides advice for older adults who learn how to navigate the health care system to obtain entitled benefits including Medicare and Medicaid supplemental insurance and long-term care insurance. Help is provided in individual sessions at client homes, hospitals, community centers and by telephone. Group presentations are also offered to the public.

For more information, call 1-734-712-3625 or 1-800-803-7174.

Adult Day Services

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and common areas encircle and protect a 300-year-old oak tree — presumed to be the oldest in Washtenaw County. The community takes its name from dozens of pine trees that grace the campus and, along with a large pond, provide a refuge for a fascinating variety of wildlife and waterfowl.

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The town is also home to The Purple Rose Theater, a performing arts center founded by well-known actor and Chelsea resident Jeff Daniels. In addition, the many attractions of Ann Arbor and Jackson are just 20 minutes away by car.

For more information, contact Shirley Mitchell, at 1-734-433-9130 or 1-800-640-3777.

relationships: While many people are quick to assume vision loss is a standard sign of aging, such loss could also be indicative of a larger problem such as Alzheimer's, which can make it difficult for seniors to read, judge distance or distinguish between colors.

In addition, someone with Alzheimer's might walk past a mirror and think someone else in the room, unaware the person in the mirror is their own reflection.

• **Difficulty with conversation:** Sometimes, people with Alzheimer's have trouble maintaining or joining a conversation. Some people might struggle with vocabulary, such as calling things by the wrong name, while others might stop in the middle of a conversation and not be able to continue. Most typical is when a person cannot find the right word to express a given idea.

• **Misplacing items and being unable to retrace steps:** Nearly everyone misplaces an item from time to time. However, this is more common among those with Alzheimer's, who might put their car keys in the refrigerator or routinely lose items such as the remote control or their eyeglasses. When such items are misplaced, a person who could have Alzheimer's will find it nearly impossible to retrace their steps.

• **Poor judgement:** People with Alzheimer's can suffer from poor judgement as well. This includes making poor financial decisions or paying less attention to grooming and appearance.

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• **Disruptive changes in memory:** The Alzheimer's Association notes that one of most common, particularly in its early stages, indicators of Alzheimer's is forgetting recently learned information. Other memory disruptions that could indicate Alzheimer's are forgetting important dates or events, routinely using memory aides such as notes or asking for information more than once.

• **Difficulty planning or solving problems:** Some people begin to struggle with planning, both developing a plan for a given task or following another's plan. This can include difficulty with daily responsibilities such as following recipes or monthly tasks like making sure the bills get paid. Tasks that once took a few moments might now take a lot longer as well.

• **Difficulty performing familiar tasks:** Familiar tasks often seem foreign to people with Alzheimer's. This can include driving a car, understanding a favorite game or cleaning the house.

• **Losing track of time or place:** Seniors who begin to lose track of time, forget what season it is or where they are might be suffering from Alzheimer's. Many times, people with Alzheimer's only understand things that are happening immediately.

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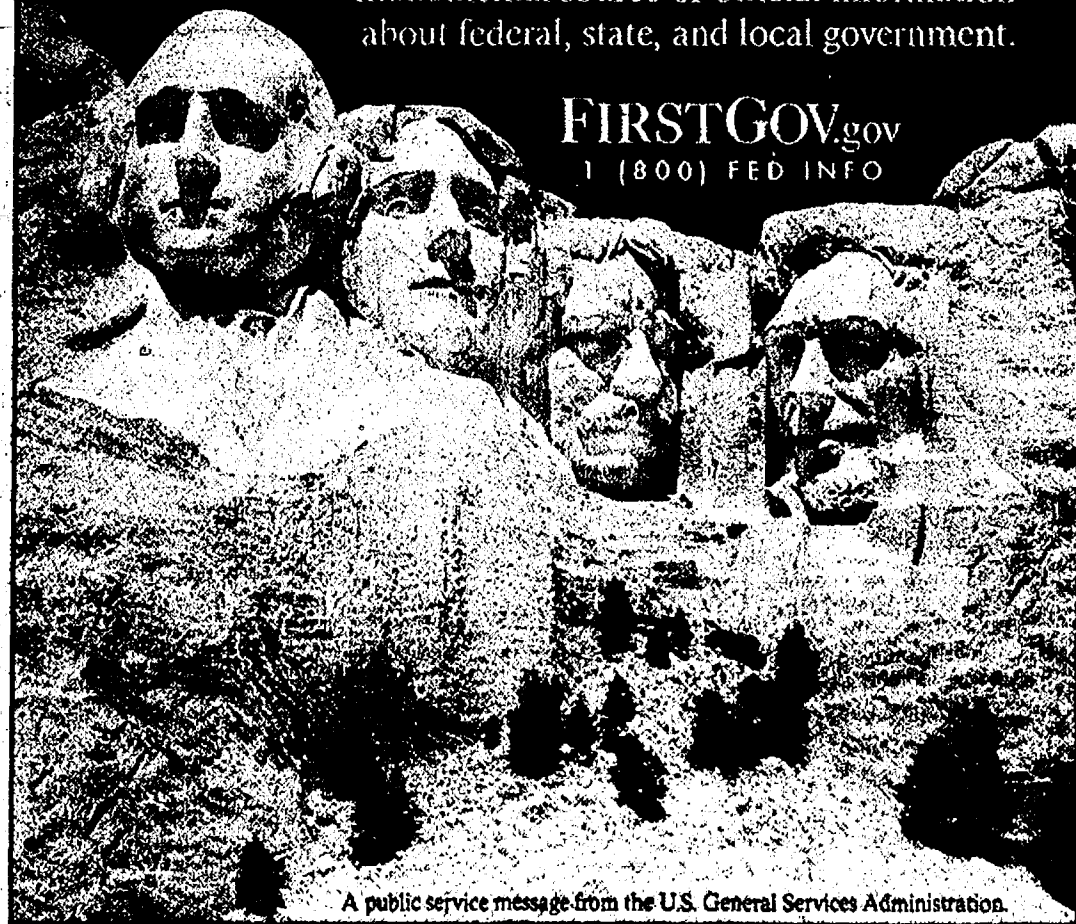
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Caring for the aging parents in your family

As U.S. Census Bureau reports can attest, the number of older adults in the United States is growing. Thanks to advances in medicine and an attitudinal shift toward healthier lifestyles, people are living longer, and the growing number of seniors is a testament to that.

Still, the exploding senior population has also resulted in a growing number of adults caring for older adults. The recent economic struggles have also added to this number, as many adults have found that nursing homes or assisted living centers are no longer affordable in these tough times. For adults faced with the responsibility of caring for an aging parent, consider the following tips to make sure the transitions goes as smoothly as possible.

- **Be prepared:** While not all aging parents will need to move in with their sons or daughters as they get older, many will. Preparing for this possibility well in advance can make the process go much more smoothly. Don't wait until parents' health deteriorates to the point where options will be limited. Also, by planning ahead, you're able to consider what your parents want, whereas waiting too late can limit their input and possibly lessen



their quality of life as a result.

- **Discuss the situation with your own family:** Another way to make the tran-

sition go smoothly is to prepare your children for the changes that could come once their grandmother or grandfather

moves in. Seek children's input regardless of how young they are. Doing so will make them feel better about the process. For example, rather than telling a child that grandma will be taking their bedroom, ask them how they would feel if they were asked to move rooms, and explain to them the need for sacrifice for everyone. By including them in the decision-making process you're letting them know their views matter, which is often a problem when parents don't discuss the issue with children beforehand.

- **Be sure your home is safe:** Certain things are safe for young adults and children but much less so for seniors. For example, bathrooms are often danger zones for seniors, and slipping and falling can prove disastrous for seniors. Consider installing handrails in the shower to make things safer for seniors.

Other easy ways to make a home safer for seniors is to use higher wattage light bulbs to increase visibility, securing throw rugs to reduce the likelihood of slipping, and converting a first floor room into a bedroom to make it easier for seniors to get around the house and lessen their load.

MEDIATION

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expertise advances the goals of harmony and out-of-court solutions

So often, the older person's dearest wish is for family harmony. Avoiding the family division and bitterness associated with court battles often is the paramount goal for many older individuals.

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Elder and family mediation provides the counsel of a trained, neutral third party to help families commu-

nicate effectively and come together to reach mutually agreeable decisions. Elder and family mediation specifically is designed to help avoid, or minimize, the legal battles and divisive court proceedings in matters such as guardianship and conservatorships, estate planning, Will contests and estate disputes.

This is accomplished by assembling the older adult, their children and care providers to discuss their vision of the

situation, answer questions, explore options to address concerns of those at the session and develop a plan that everyone can support. This frequently goes well beyond the remedies available in court proceedings. Solutions are crafted by those present to meet the unique needs of the elder and address the concerns of their children and care providers.

In elder mediation, skilled profession-

als with advanced training help older adults and their families resolve conflicts and reach informed decisions out of court. Mediation provides a safe, confidential setting for families to explore their options thoughtfully, make informed choices and plan wisely for future needs. In the process, more trusting relationships are developed, reducing the likelihood of continued conflict and potential litigation.

Denise Couling is an attorney and mediator with the Ann Arbor-based law firm of Nichols, Sacks, Slank, Sendelbach & Buiteweg, P.C. She is based in the firm's Family Mediation & Collaborative Practice Center located in Brighton. She may be reached at dcouling@nsssb.com or 1-810-227-3800. For more information, visit the firm's Web site, www.nsssb.com or www.FamilyMediationCollaborativePractice.com.

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pleasant experience during your visit to our office," she said. "Our team includes experienced and energetic people whose goal is to communicate well with our patients and provide the best care possible."

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Washtenaw Literacy, 879-1320

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Citizens For Better Care (Elder Abuse), 1-800-833-9548
Neighborhood Senior Services, 712-7775
Safe House Center (domestic violence/sexual assault), 995-5444

Emergency Services

Catholic Social Services Emergency Food Program, 662-4462
Aid In Milan, 439-8420
American Red Cross, 971-5300
Community Resource Center (Manchester), 428-7722
Michigan Department of Human Services, 481-2000
Faith in Action, Inc. (Dexter & Chelsea school districts), 475-3305
Friends in Deed, 484-4357
Northfield Human Services, 449-0110
Psychiatric Emergency Services 24-hour Crisis Center, 996-4747
Saline Area Social Services, 429-4570
Salvation Army (Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti),

668-8353 or 482-4700
Shelter Association of Washtenaw County, 662-2829
S.O.S. Community Crisis Center, 484-4300
Washtenaw County Emergency Services, 484-7201

Funeral Planning

Memorial Advisory & Planning Service, 665-9516

Grandparent Help

Catholic Social Services' Grandparents As Parents, 712-3625

Hearing and Speech

Deaf, Hearing & Sign Language Center, 1-313-596-6032
EMU College of Education Clinical Suite, 487-4410
Turner Geriatric Clinic U of M Social Work Office, 764-2556

Home Health care

ChelseaCare Home Health, 475-4190
Evangelical Homes of Michigan (Shared Services), 222-4037
Glacier Hills, 769-6410
Michigan Visiting Nurses, 1-800-842-5504 or 677-1515
St. Joseph Mercy Home Care, 327-3200
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Hospice

Arbor Hospice and Home Care, 1-800-783-5764 or 662-5999
Hospice of Michigan, 769-4212
St. Joseph Mercy Hospice, 327-3200

Housing Information

Ann Arbor Housing Commission, 994-2828
Housing Bureau for Seniors, 998-9339
Ypsilanti Housing Commission, 482-4300

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American House, 677-0071
Brecon Village, 429-1155
Brookhaven Manor, 747-8800
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Evangelical Home (Saline), 429-9401
Fairfax Manor, 483-6662
Gilbert Residence, 482-9498
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Hillside Terrace Retirement Center, 761-4451
Huron Woods, 712-5600
Silver Maples of Chelsea, 475-8864
Sunrise Assisted Living, 327-1350 or 741-9500
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University Living, 669-3030

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Senior Centers

Ann Arbor Senior Center, 794-6250
Baker Commons, 994-2902
Chelsea Senior Center, 475-0160
Dexter Senior Center, 426-5397
Jewish Community Center, 971-0990
Lincoln Senior Center, 483-8366
Manchester Senior Center, 428-7630
Miller Manor, 662-7511
Milan Senior Center, 439-1549
Pittsfield Township Senior Center, 822-2117
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Seniors have advantage of relaxed living

Look around many of the suburban areas, and you are likely to find age-restricted communities catering to adults who have hit the magical age of 55.

At this age you may be thinking of retirement or are ready to put in a few more years on the job. What you may be looking for is a home that is less maintenance, affordable, meets your needs (instead of the needs of kids who have long left the nest), and offers convenience items all in one package. That is just what "active adult" or "lifestyle communities," offer.

Forget preconceived notions about "senior living." These are not nursing homes or assisted living facilities. They are simply sub-developments

that traditionally offer affordably priced living and amenities to an age-restricted group. Some communities will even allow individuals ages 18 and older to live in the homes, provided there is at least one other individual in residence who meets the age requirement.

"Lifestyle community" housing offers many advantages to interested individuals:

Cost factor

Many homes are priced considerably lower than homes of similar sizes that are not in age-restricted communities. For individuals on a fixed salary or preparing for retirement, this feature alone can be a major advantage.

substantial, primarily due to FHA mortgage insurance requirements to guarantee the loan. However, these costs are rolled into the total reverse mortgage loan and the borrower does not need to write a check. To make the loan worth these initial costs, homeowners should plan on living in their homes for at least three to five years.

While many clients take out reverse mortgages for day-to-day living expenses, payoff existing mortgages or to cover health care costs, some take out these loans just because they want to use the cash for something important or meaningful to them.

Clients who want to pay for their grandchild's college expenses or take that long-dreamed-of trip around the world. Some clients expressly want to make a charitable gift with the funds before they die or just want to be able to spend the money as they choose while they are alive, rather than leaving it for someone else to spend.

Reverse mortgages can be a really a great option for seniors.

Beth Ziegler is a consultant for Reverse Mortgage and can be reached at 1-734-904-2084.

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tage for purchase.

Proximity to friends and family

Active adult homes are cropping up in suburban areas all around the country. Their popularity and availability has grown as more baby boomers reach age 55. Because of this, individuals can still live close to friends and family -- and continue all of their social visits -- but have the convenience of adult living.

Amazing amenities

Active adult communities are more

than just homes. They typically are built on a sprawling campus complete with clubhouse, pools, exercise rooms and nature trails. Most offer recreational activities such as craft classes, movie trips, card games, and much more.

Desirable home designs

New homes are being built with open floor plans in a variety of styles. Many feature single-level living, to eliminate the need for scaling steps. Energy efficient materials and many other features make these homes desirable and attractive.

Security and safety

Many communities are gated with announced visitors and have private security patrols. Some are located in close proximity to hospitals and other medical care in the event there is an emergency.

Social gatherings

It's easy to meet friends of similar ages and like-minded interests in a "active adult" community.

Transportation convenience

If you don't like to drive, that's taken care of in an active adult community. Transportation to stores, places of worship and even doctors' appointments can be arranged, with costs generally covered in monthly association fees.

Maintenance-free

For those who want to forget about snow shoveling or lawn mowing, "active living" communities are perfect. Dues cover most exterior maintenance, such as snow removal, trash pick-up, lawn/garden maintenance, pool care and general grounds maintenance.

MORTGAGE

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The loan is paid back when both spouses pass away or permanently move out. And the money is in most cases tax-free. It's a great way for seniors to live more comfortably and have more financial security and freedom.

Reverse Mortgages had some negative connotations for a while years ago, but today under regulations from then-U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, seniors can never lose their homes or be forced to move out. They can still participate in the appreciation and their heirs will never owe more than the resale value of the home.

Unlike the earlier reverse mortgages today's reverse mortgage will provide the client or their heir's the equity after the mortgage has been paid from the sale of the home. The process is very well established, and even involves third-party counseling for seniors to ensure they really understand what the consequences are of taking out this mortgage.

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Couple too busy having fun to 'retire'

Seniors make changes upon moving into Silver Maples

When Dick and Ginny Koester moved to their new villa in 2007 at Silver Maples of Chelsea, they decided to hang on to their cottage at Strawberry Lake so that they could spend summer weekends there visiting with family, friends and neighbors.

So, it came as a surprise to the Koesters and their family when they decided to sell the cottage. Who knew that 18-months into their "retirement," they'd be so busy having fun at Silver Maples they didn't

have time for the cottage?

In fact, their kids are telling them they seem to always be on the run having fun.

And it's true, Dick Koester said.

"There's such a breadth and depth of things to do, whether it's going to the theatre, attending continuing education classes, enjoying a live concert, going to Happy Hour, or just having coffee with friends. Everyday there's something exciting on the calendar," he said.

The Koesters looked at several places before selecting Silver Maples. But once they toured the community, they knew the stars were aligned.

"We visited other places and nobody said 'hello' or even smiled at us," Ginny Koester said. "At Silver Maples, we felt welcomed and part of the community right at the outset."

Dick Koester, a huge Michigan

fan, said that while they were expecting a high quality of life at Silver Maples, the experience has surpassed their expectations. What they didn't realize, however, was how quickly their social life would change and develop, something their family and friends were quick to notice.

"Our social circle has greatly expanded," Ginny said. "We've made so many good friends here. And it's not just couples; it's individuals, too. There are just so many neat people here."

Dick said that Chelsea is a great place to live.

"A great thing about Silver Maples is that is so close to everything that Chelsea has to offer. We've walked downtown to Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights, Summerfest, football games, the community fair, drug store and the Purple Rose Theatre. It's just a wonderfully walkable com-

munity."

Chelsea also benefits from its proximity to Ann Arbor and Detroit. Koester said they often travel with other residents to see the concerts and performances at the Power Center, Orchestra Hall, as well as the Wharton Center in East Lansing.

Their favorite thing about Silver Maples is the upbeat atmosphere of the entire community - both residents and staff.

"The staff is outstanding and always willing to listen. They are always interested in what they can do to help you. People like being here," Dick Koester said. "Don't wait. Come sooner than later. You'll have a good time."

The Koesters have rave reviews about Silver Maples.

"We've got this friend who's always asking us, 'How's everything at the resort?' And we always say 'It's just great,'" Koester said.

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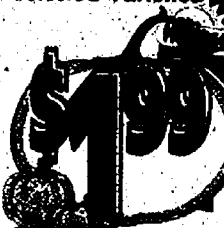
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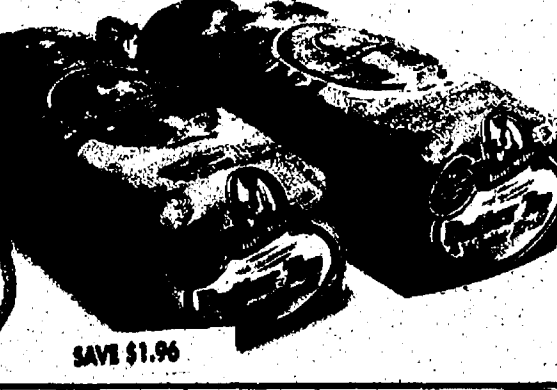


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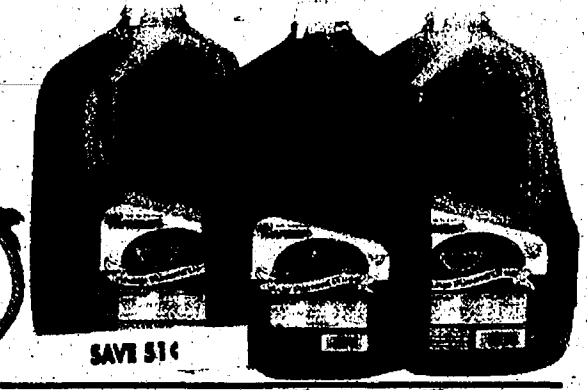
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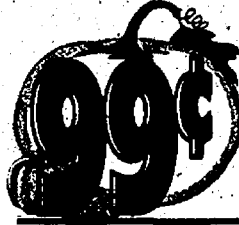
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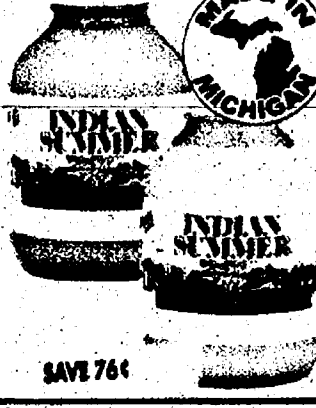
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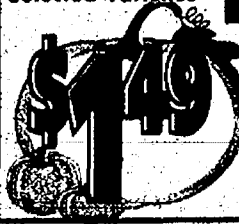
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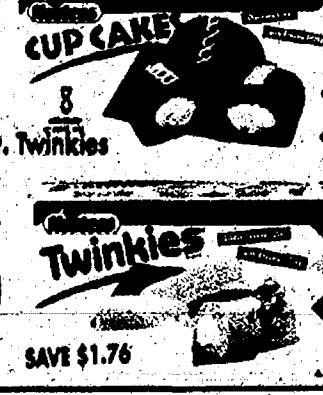
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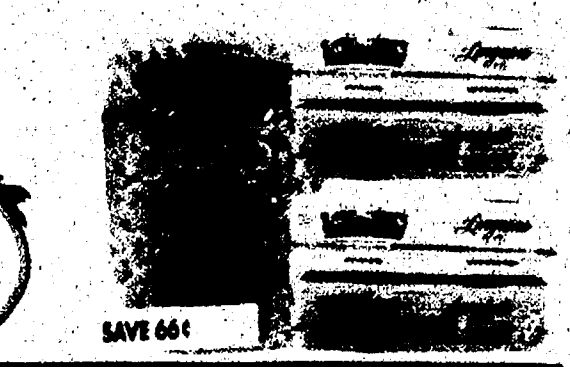
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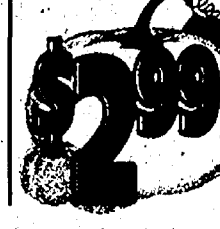
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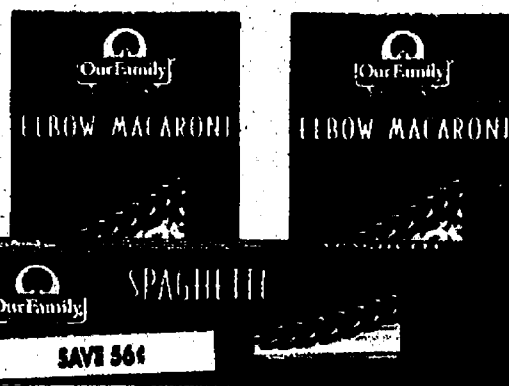
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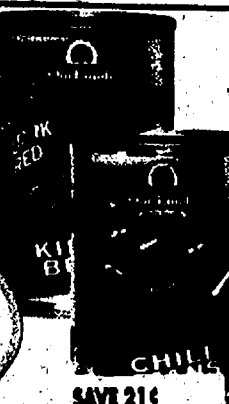
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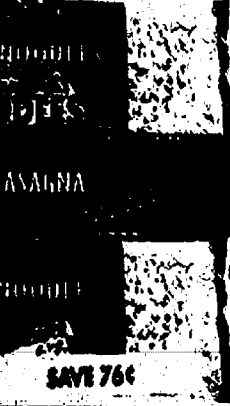
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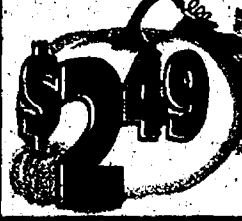
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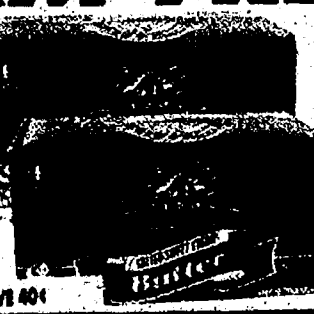


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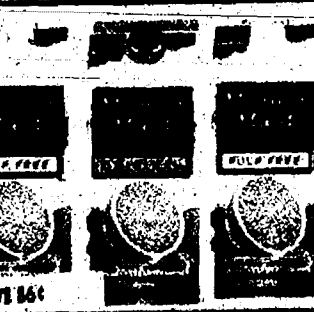
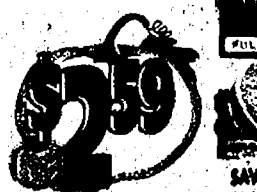
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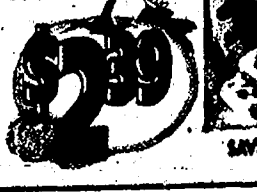
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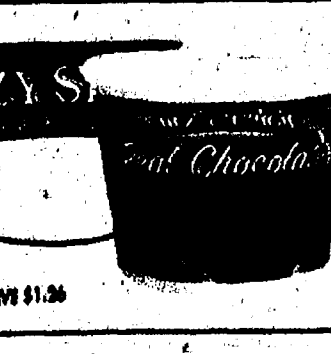
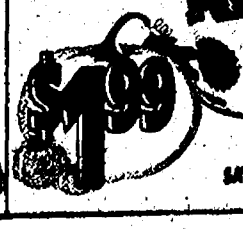
**COLE'S
GARLIC
BREADSTICKS**
10.5-16 oz.
Selected Varieties



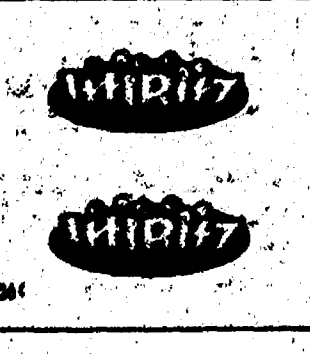
**PILLSBURY
READY TO BAKE
COOKIES**
16-16.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



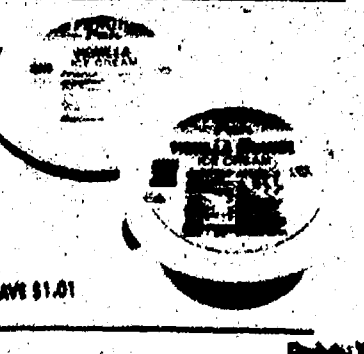
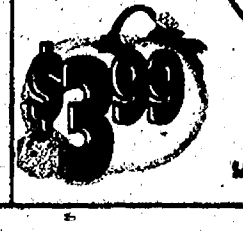
**KOZY SHACK
PUDDING**
22 oz.
Selected Varieties



**KEMPS
ITTI BITZ**
3 oz.
Selected Varieties



**FAMILY PAK
ICE CREAM PAIL**
4 Quart
Selected Varieties



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\$7.49 LB.

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\$4.59 LB.

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WHITEFISH FILLETS
\$5.99 LB.

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LAKE TROUT FILLETS
\$4.79 LB.

Ground Fresh Several Times Daily
FRESH GROUND BEEF FROM SIRLOIN
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1855 Premium Natural Choice Pork
PORK SPARERIBS
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1855 Premium Natural Choice Pork
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\$3.49 LB.

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CORNED BEEF BRISKET FLATS
\$2.99 LB.

COOK'S CORNED BEEF
CORNED BEEF BRISKET POINTS
\$1.99 LB.

COOK'S CORNED BEEF
SHRIMP RINGS
\$3.99 EA.

COOK'S CORNED BEEF
TUNA STEAK
\$4.99 EA.

COOK'S CORNED BEEF
IMITATION CRAB OR LOBSTER
2/\$4

BOAR'S HEAD CORNED BEEF

BOAR'S HEAD SWEET SLICE HAM

SANDRIDGE BLACK BEAN & CORN SALSA SALAD

BOAR'S HEAD DOMESTIC PROVOLONE CHEESE

BOAR'S HEAD BACON

BUTTERBALL TURKEY BREAST
Oven or Ham Roasted
\$7.99 LB.

CADY CREEK PEPPERJACK CHEESE
\$5.89 LB.

DELALLO GOLD 10% COOKED HAM
\$2.99 LB.

DELALLO HOT PEPPER CHEESE
\$3.99 LB.

DELALLO HONEY BBQ CHICKEN BREAKFAST
\$5.99 LB.

GARDEN FRESH CHIPS & SALSA
Selected Varieties
2/\$6

JINNI-O SLOW ROASTED TURKEY POT ROAST
\$7.99 EA.

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\$3.29 LB.

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Lunchmeats

OSCAR MAYER SHAVED MEATS OR WALLETS
Selected Varieties
\$2.99

JOHNSONVILLE BRATS
10.76 oz.
\$3.49

BAR FRANKS
10.76 oz.
99¢

SNACK STICKS
10.76 oz.
2/\$5

FAST FIXIN' BREADED CHICKEN
Nuggets, strips, wings
3/\$5

SMOKED SAUSAGE OR POLISH KIELBASA
2/\$7

Deli Fresh

CHICKEN BREAST STRIPS
10.76 oz.
2/\$5

SNACK STICKS
10.76 oz.
2/\$5

FAST FIXIN' BREADED CHICKEN
Nuggets, strips, wings
3/\$5

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KOEGEL'S SKINLESS FRANKS & SKINLESS ALL BEEF FRANKS
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\$2.19

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Regular or Light
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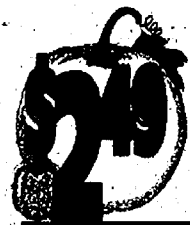
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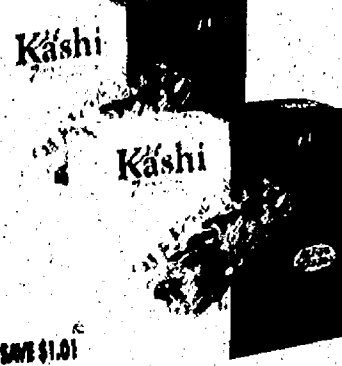
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**KASHI
GRANOLA BARS**
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Selected Varieties



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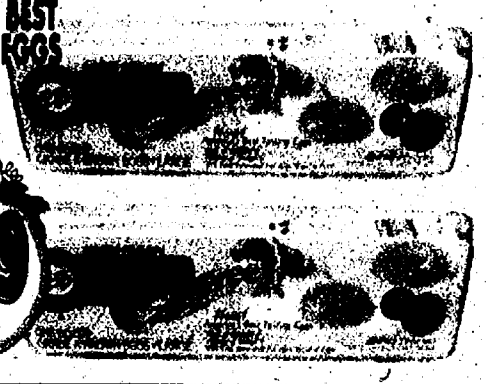
**SHORE LUNCH
PREMIUM SOUPS**
Selected Varieties



SAVE 70¢



**EGGLANDS BEST
CAGE FREE EGGS**
Dozen



**TONY CHACHERE'S
PREMIUM FISH FRY MIX**
10 oz.
Selected Varieties



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BAR CHIPS**
7 oz.
Selected Varieties



**SNYDER'S MULTI-GRAIN
CHEESE PUFFS, SUNFLOWER
CHIPS, PRETZEL STICKS &
TORTILLA CHIPS**
9-12 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE 70¢



**CASCADIAN FARMS
FROZEN FRUIT &
FRUIT JUICE**
8-12 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.36



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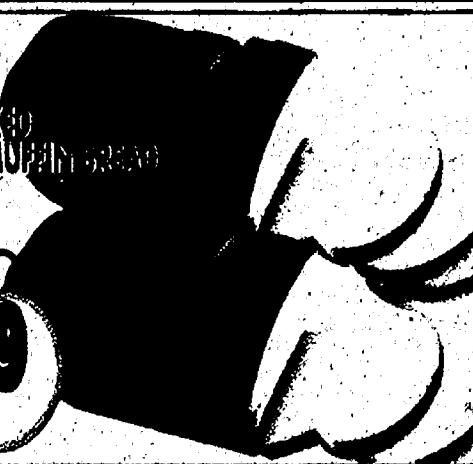
11.5 Inch
Open
Fry Pan

\$14.99



FRESH BAKERY!

**FRESH BAKED
ENGLISH MUFFIN BREAD**
16 oz. loaf



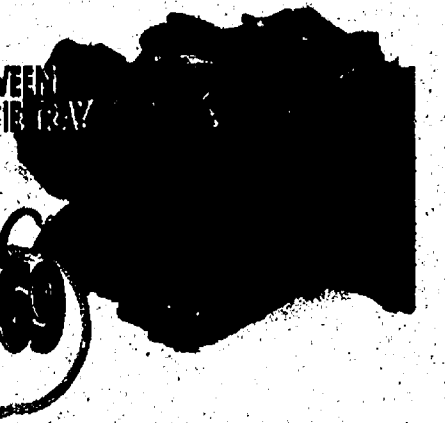
**FRESH BAKED
KAISER ROLLS**
6 ct.
White or Wheat



**MINI HALLOWEEN
CUPCAKES**
10 oz.
Chocolate or Yellow



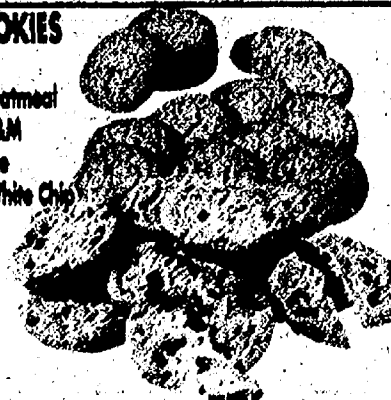
**HALLOWEEN
BROWNIE TRAY**
14 oz.



**BOO
COOKIES**
15 oz.



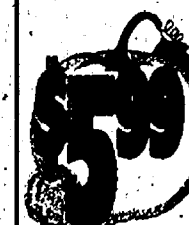
FRESH BAKED COOKIES
12 ct.
Sugar, Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal
Raisin, Peanut Butter, M&M
Chocolate Chip, Chocolate
Chocolate Chip, Fudge White Chip



**BILL KNAPP
CHOCOLATE CAKE**
27 oz.
Selected Varieties



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PEANUT BUTTER**
Single Layer



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\$8.99

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16 lb
Original

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DOG TREATS
5.6-6 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$4.99

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PEDIGREE
DRY DOG FOOD
15.9-20 lb.
Selected Varieties

\$12.99

SAVE \$2.26

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DRY DOG FOOD
16 lb.
Selected Varieties

\$5.99

SAVE \$1.00

PURINA
BEGGIN STRIPS
6 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$4.99

SAVE \$1.88 ON 2

TIDY CATS
CAT LITTER
20 lb.
Selected Varieties

\$2.99

SAVE \$1.44

KIBBLES N BITS
DOG FOOD
17.6 lb.
Selected Varieties

\$12.99

SAVE 1.86

BEVERAGE & SNACK SAVINGS!

**COCA-COLA, MINUTE MAID,
NESTEA**
2 liter plastic
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



SAVE 51¢



**JAY'S BRAND BIG J
POTATO CHIPS & GRANDE
TORTILLA CHIPS**
10-11.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.26



**7-UP, SUNNY DELIGHT,
COUNTRY TIME**
12 pk. 12 oz. cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



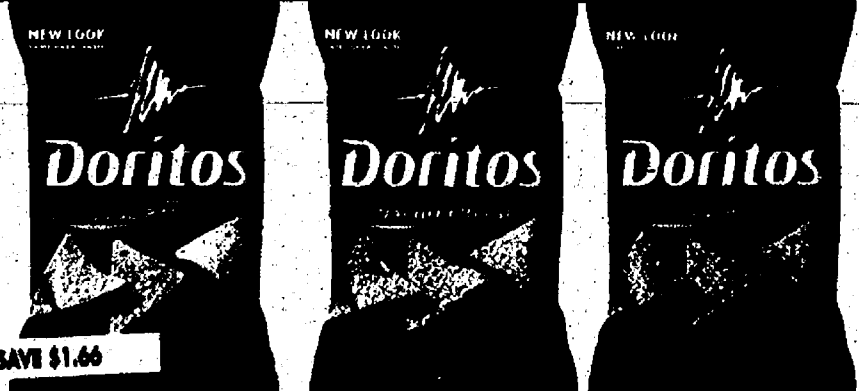
SAVE \$1.72 on 2



**FRITO LAY DORITOS
TORTILLA CHIPS**
11.5-14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.66



**AQUAFINA
SPLASH**
6 pk. 16.9 oz. plastic
Selected Varieties



SAVE 51¢



**STEWART'S
PREMIUM
SODAS**
4 pk. 12 oz. glass
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



SAVE \$2.52 on 2



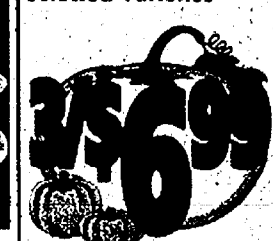
**NABISCO
RITZ CRACKERS**
7.5-16 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE 76¢



**NABISCO
SNACK CRACKERS**
7-10 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.26 on 3



**PEPSI-COLA, VERNORS,
ORANGE CRUSH**
6 pk. 24 oz. plastic or
8 pk. 12 oz. plastic
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



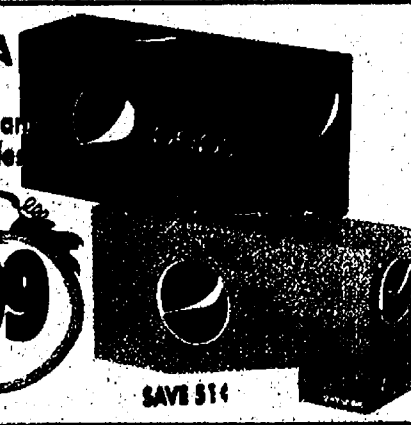
SAVE \$1.01



**PEPSI-COLA
PRODUCTS**
18 pk. 12 oz. cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



SAVE 51¢



**KEEBLER BRAND
FUDGE SHOPPE &
EL FUDGE COOKIES**
8.5-12.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.76



**KEEBLER BRAND
PREMIUM CLUB
CRACKERS**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.51



**COCA-COLA,
MINUTE MAID,
NESTEA PRODUCT**
12 pk. 12 oz. cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



SAVE 51¢



**RED BULL
ENERGY DRINK**
12 pk. 8.4 oz. cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)



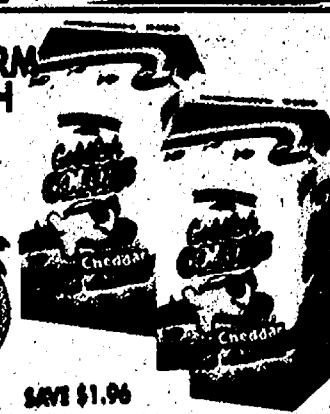
SAVE \$3.51



**PEPPERIDGE FARM
BULK GOLD FISH**
33.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.96



**FRITO LAY BRAND
FAMILY SIZE
VARIETY PACK**
17.375-22 oz.
Selected Varieties



SAVE \$1.96



WINE CELLAR SPIRITS

We Sell Liquor @ The Minimum Price
That The State Will Allow!

MADRIA SANGRIA
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



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LELANAU CELLARS WITCH'S BREW
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



SAVE \$2.26

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS PREMIUM BRANDY
750 ml
(plus tax)



BOMBAY PREMIUM GIN
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



CASILLERO DEL DIABLO "THE DEVILS CELLAR" CHILEAN WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



SAVE \$2.80

PENFOLDS KOONUNGA HILL WINE
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



SAVE \$2.26

STOLICHNAYA PREMIUM VODKA
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



NEW! RED STAG BOURBON
750 ml
(Premium Jim Beam Bourbon infused W/Natural Black Cherry Flavors)
(plus tax)



DAVINCI CHIANTI OR PINOT GRIGIO
750 ml
(plus tax)



SAVE \$6.16

BAREFOOT CELLARS WINES
1.5 liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

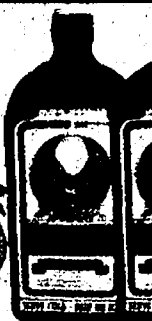


SAVE \$3.76

JACK DANIELS
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



JAGERMEISTER
750 ml
(plus tax)



MONDAVI WOODBRIDGE WINES
1.5 liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



SAVE \$4.40

FRANZIA BOX WINES
5 liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



SAVE \$3.96

MYERS'S ORIGINAL DARK RUM
750 ml
(plus tax)



CAROLANS IRISH CREAM LIQUOR
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)



THE BREWERY!

MICHIGAN BREWING CRAFT BEERS
6 pk. 12 oz. bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



SAVE \$1.50

BELLS CRAFT BEERS
6 pk. 12 oz. bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



SAVE \$1.20

DOGFISH HEAD CRAFT BEERS
6 pk. 12 oz. bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



SAVE \$1.20

HACKER-PSCHOR CRAFT BEERS
6 pk. 12 oz. bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



SAVE \$1.20

KEYSTONE, ICE HOUSE & MILWAUKEE'S
30 pk. 12 oz. cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



SAVE 74¢

BLUE MOON BEERS
12 pk. 12 oz. bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)



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12 pk. 12 oz. bottles
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15 pk. 12 oz. cans
Selected Varieties
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Bonus 20 pk. 12 oz. bottles
Selected Varieties
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3 lb. bag

98¢ EA.



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Dole Family Pack SALADS
Greener Selection or
Classic Romaine
15 oz.

\$1.98 EA.



SAVE \$1.01 /ea.

Tasty Snack! Caramel APPLES
3 ct.

\$1.78 EA.



colorful!

SAVE \$1.01 /lb.

Sweet Crisp BELL PEPPERS
Red or Yellow

\$1.98 LB.



sweet fall treat!

SAVE \$2.01

Apple Cider

Fresh Michigan APPLE CIDER
Gallon


\$2.98 EA.



SAVE 41¢ /lb.

New Crop Florida GREEN BEANS

98¢ LB.



SAVE 79¢ /ea.

Auntie Mids' SLICED MUSHROOMS
8 oz.

2/\$3



trick or treat!

Mixed BOUQUET
15 pk.

\$8.99 EA.



SAVE 41¢

Dole BABY CARROTS
1 lb.

98¢ EA.



sweet!

SAVE 31¢ /lb.

California PENOCCHE SWEET ONIONS


68¢ LB.



SAVE \$1.71

New Crop Florida TANGERINES
3 lb.

\$1.98 EA.



SAVE \$1.11

Organic GALA APPLES
3 lb.

\$3.88 EA.