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He's our Guy!

Purple Rose's longtime artistic director sets the stage

By Terry Jacoby
 Purple Rose Newspapers

Sitting in Jeff Daniels' office in the underbelly of the Purple Rose, Guy Sanville is dressed in an all black sweat suit. He is unshaven with a battalion of gray slowly commandeering more and more facial territory. He looks a little tired, but his voice and enthusiasm say otherwise, especially when the subject turns to his career, his job and his love for the Purple Rose and Chelsea.

With every slight move, the old chair he's sitting on creaks. It's one of many antiques in this perfectly decorated back room - well, perfectly decorated to suit the needs and style of its owner. It's actually not all that different than the stage currently assembled upstairs - it's more cabin than office.

The room is cozy, laid back with a home-like feel. Sanville, too, is laid back, and he not only looks comfortable in his sweat suit, he feels comfortable. Because you always feel comfortable at home.

And Guy Sanville is certainly at home. Sanville, who first hit the Purple Rose stage in 1992 and became the theater company's artistic

director in 1996, was born in Escanaba before his family ended up in the Lansing area when he was 3 years old.

The acting bug first appeared in high school after he was kicked off the baseball team during his junior year. The American pastime's loss was the American theater's gain.

"Yeah, I got kicked off the baseball team, and I was looking for something to do," says Sanville, who will only admit to not liking the coach because of a grade he gave him in English. "It all worked out for the best."

You could say that decision ended up being a home run - but that would be too corny.

"It was about 4 o'clock in the afternoon one day when I was walking by the auditorium," he says.

There was a girl who was a senior, and she was on stage, and I thought she was really cool, so I wanted to see what she was talking about. And I walked in, and she was talking about a play, and I said, 'yeah, I read that book in school, and I read for this play, and I was actually a play we are doing here this spring. And I got bit by the bug.'

Sanville slid head first into everything there was - on both sides of the curtain.

"I started doing as much as I could," he said.



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"Alan (Ribant) and Casey (Grant) and I are like three moons circling the planet Jeff. We all work in service of Jeff's vision."

- GUY SANVILLE, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR, PURPLE ROSE THEATRE CO

School Board weighs tough decisions

By Crystal Hayduk
 Special Writer

Following the voting public's failure to pass the Washtenaw Intermediate School District's enhancement millage last week, along with two cuts in school aid funding totaling \$292 per student, and rumors that districts should prepare for a third cut of up to \$100, Superintendent David Killips shared ominous news with the Chelsea District Board of Education at Monday's meeting.

"Now they are predicting further cuts of anywhere from \$300 to \$600 per student for next year," he said. "We're \$2.1 million in the red this year, with a \$5.5 million equity fund. If the trend continues, we'll certainly be bankrupt within three years - and sooner, really, due to school aid cuts and decreased student counts."

Members of the board reviewed a preliminary list of brainstormed ideas for possible cuts, along with the projected financial savings. Killips said that nothing on the list should be considered a "sacred cow."

Items on the elementary list include laying off one teacher per grade at the kindergarten through sixth grade levels, closing Pierce Lake School, and returning to half-time kindergarten.

At the secondary education level, alternatives include instituting "pay-to-play" or a flat participation fee for athletics and extracurricular activities; eliminating freshmen sports; increasing class size to 30 students per teacher, which would reduce the staff by six teachers; and offering only two lunch periods instead of three.

Transportation possibilities include eliminating or privatizing the department, further decreasing the number of routes, and eliminating stops within the city limits; as well as providing athletes only one-way transportation for away games.

Ideas to save money in the operating budget were to

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Chelsea honors local citizens

Banquet spotlights accomplishments of three residents for contributions

By Ed Hostetter
 Special Writer

The Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with The Chelsea Standard will host its annual Citizen of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Awards Banquet at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 16 at the Chelsea Comfort Inn & Village Conference Center.

"These awards are the most important awards our community can bestow on our residents," the CACC said in a press release. "Chelsea is blessed with a wealth of residents who are committed and dedicated to serving our community. This year, we're honored to recognize three such residents."

Nancy Harris, founder of Hearts Community Service, is the recipient of the 2009 Citizen of the Year Award. Hearts Community Service is a non-denominational organization that provides free services to those in need. Her motto is "Help the homeless, aid in emergencies, clothe the needy and welcome a stranger."

Through her tireless spirit and giving heart, Harris has made a lasting difference in the lives of many members of

the Chelsea community and has defined what citizenship is about. Her goal is to meet their needs and boost their ability to become self-sufficient," the chamber said.

In the five years Harris has lived in Chelsea, she has volunteered for numerous organizations including various church outreach programs, band activities at Chelsea High School, Chelsea Area Garden Club, Faith in Action, Friends of the Library, and more.

Through HCS, she has also assisted many organizations in the Chelsea area including Michigan Ability Partners, The Father Pat Jackson House, Catholic Social Services, Hope Center, St. Vincent DePaul, Jackson Elementary Schools, and more. HCS provides clients with furniture, winter jackets and other clothing, baby items, and household goods. HCS also features a "Sunshine Room," where children who have lost their belongings due to a disaster can collect new and gently used toys to help comfort them in their time of distress.

"Harris is truly committed to helping others and gives fully of herself to this cause. Chelsea's incredibly lucky that she chose to live here. Our city is certainly enhanced by her efforts."

She's very deserving of this award," the chamber said.

This year, the Citizen of the Year committee is honoring two longtime community contributors: Will Johnson and Bill Chandler.

Johnson has served the community of Chelsea in countless ways over the years. As president of Chelsea Community Hospital for 23 years, he provided a vision and innovative leadership that few could replicate. As a result, he turned a struggling small hospital into a highly successful and financially strong medical center that continues to thrive today.

As a result of his creativity and commitment to quality, CCH was named one of the top 100 hospitals in the nation. His commitment to quality, a spirit of collaboration, and partnership with the community distinguished his successful career.

Rather than compete, Johnson fostered collaborations with St. Joseph Mercy Health System and the University of Michigan Health System. He encouraged young physicians to establish their practices in Chelsea, expanding the scope of medical services available throughout the community. He was instrumental in establishing primary care practices in Grass Lake, Stockbridge, Dexter and western Ann Arbor.

During his tenure with CCH, Johnson spearheaded a number of "firsts" including: the first ambulatory surgery center in Michigan, the first employer-



The Chelsea Chamber of Commerce will honor three citizens for their contributions to the community Dec. 16.

sponsored child care center in Michigan, the first fully accredited residential substance abuse treatment facility in the state and the first comprehensive inpatient treatment program in the country.

Johnson also believed the hospital should be a welcoming place, not only for patients but for the community as well. The hospital offered free CPR classes, along with weight loss, nutrition and stress management seminars. CCH hosted countless community events - from the Chelsea Painters Art Fair and sports banquets, to benefit dinners for organizations like Faith in Action and the St. Louis School - as well as meeting space for several local

service clubs.

Under Johnson's guidance, the hospital became the area's largest employer and a valued asset for the entire community.

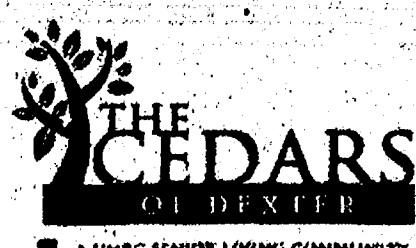
Senior living facilities had always been one of Johnson's dreams. He brought that dream to fruition. In 1997, CCH teamed with United Methodist Retirement Communities to build Silver Maples of Chelsea, a retirement community that offers independent and assisted living options for seniors. Today more than 150 residents call Silver Maples "home."

Besides a very successful career with CCH, Johnson has volunteered on a number of boards including CCH, Silver

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Smith discusses gubernatorial campaign

Lawmaker sets sights on state's top office in 2010

By Jeremy Allen
Heritage Newspapers

When she went to the polls Nov. 3, 54th District state Rep. Alma Wheeler Smith didn't see her name on the ballot. But that's because the 2009 ballot wasn't for the election of a new governor for the state of Michigan.

When she steps into the voting booth next November, Smith hopes to see her name as a finalist in the race to succeed term-limited Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

Smith announced her plans in June to run for office, receiving countywide support. Representatives from public schools, law enforcement and other state representatives were in attendance for the summer start of her campaign kick-off.

Campaigning has gone smoothly for the area official as she said she's been picking up a lot of support, financially and otherwise, in her bid to head the state.

"One of our biggest fundraisers has been the 10,000 People for Alma, formerly 10,000 Women for Alma," Smith said. "It was our hopes to have 10,000 people donate \$100 each to the campaign. We had some trouble getting that off the ground and it was a struggle to get it coordinated, but it's still something we're pushing for."

To her benefit, however, Smith has received a lot of support from people she calls "progressive Democrats," as well as conservative Democrats and

The entire state of Michigan is in an economic downward spiral and we desperately need leadership to pull us out of the state we're in due to the lack of knowledge and leadership by the current administration.

ALMA WHEELER SMITH
Candidate for governor

independents.

Smith is no stranger to the gubernatorial process. In 2001, she made history by becoming the first black Democrat to run for governor in Michigan, a race she lost to Granholm.

Smith also joined former Congressman David Bonior's campaign for governor as his choice for lieutenant governor.

Her platform this time, in principle, is simple: "Better education, better use of energy and resources, and the creation of more jobs."

In theory, that's what the current administration and other administrations across the United States have been trying to implement for years.

"I think we have a really good model in place here in Washtenaw County that can be put in place across the state," Smith said. "Our unemployment rate is only nine percent, whereas the state's is at 18 percent. Our education is at a high

level and we're taking great strides toward switching over to wind turbines and other alternative forms of energy, such as electric and solar."

One program Smith is most passionate about is the MI FUTURE program (pronounced "my"). It's a tax credit that will repay tuition and mandatory fees for Michigan high school graduates attending Michigan's public vocational/technical schools, community colleges and universities.

It also will supplement current state and federal investments in four-year-old pre-school, fully funding a half-day program at 50 percent of the K-12 foundation allowance.

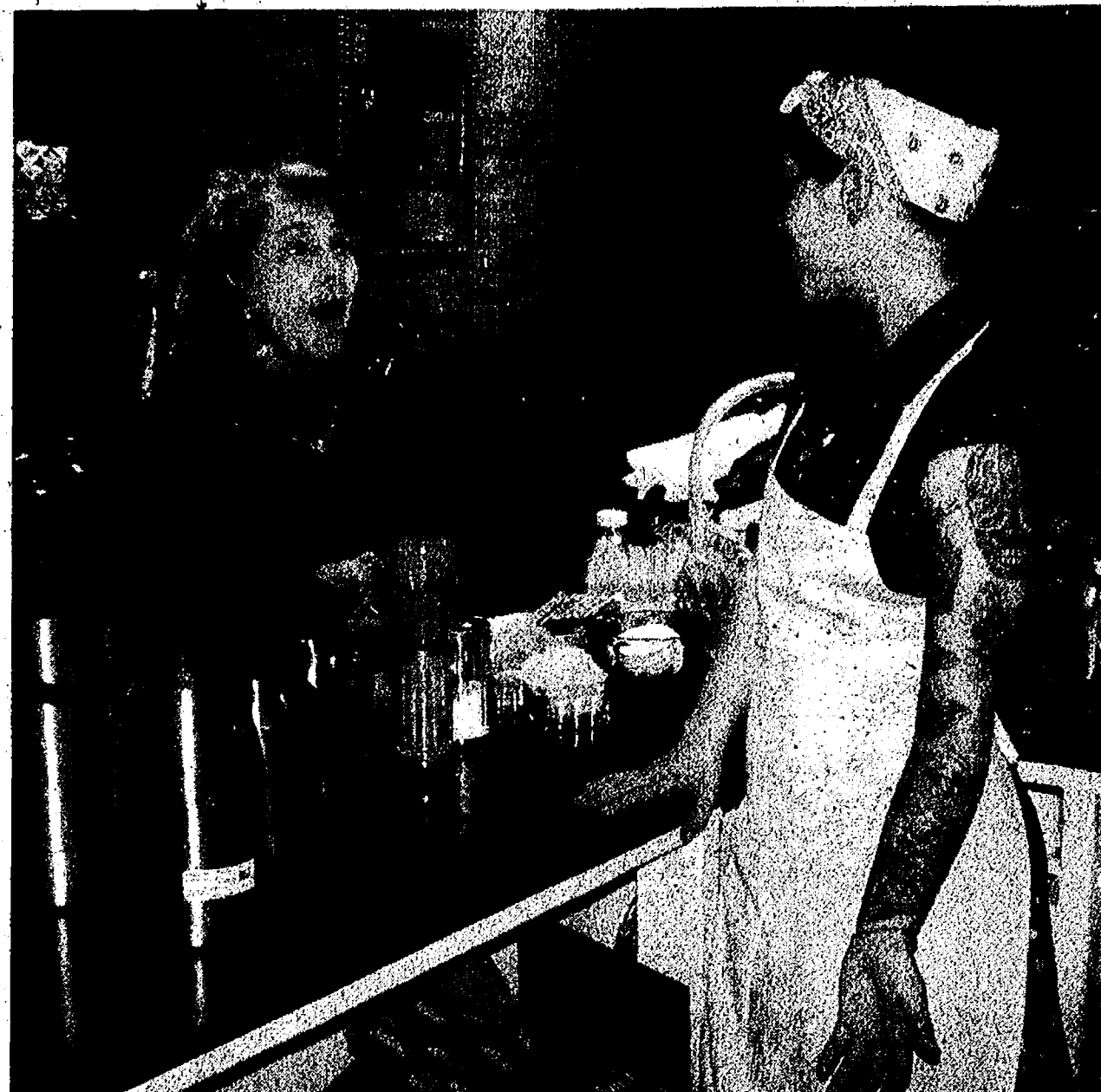
"Essentially, people will be taxed about \$550 a year and it will cover the ever-rising college tuition so their child can go to college without any extra tuition costs," she said. "That's equivalent to paying about \$9,000 for a college education."

Smith also talked about the need for the state to implement programs and jobs that will allow the state to transition from "a brawny workforce to a brainy workforce," and the need for direction and leadership within the leaders of the state.

"The entire state of Michigan is in an economic downward spiral and we desperately need leadership to pull us out of the state we're in due to the lack of knowledge and leadership by the current administration," Wheeler said. "I'm more than qualified to be the person to pull Michigan back up to where we should be and can be."

Also, according to Smith, more taxes are an unavoidable truth that must be faced by the people and no matter which political party controls the state — Democrats or Republicans — more taxes are definite for certain things.

"I think there are inevitable taxes that we should be levied so we can continue to grow and get out of this rut. I think there should be a graduated income tax and we should also pay a service tax on things like enter-



State Rep. and governor-hopeful Alma Wheeler Smith (left) shares a laugh with Bee Mayhew during a stop in Ypsilanti. Wheeler, who represents the 54th District in the state House, announced her bid for the 2010 governor seat in June.

tainment, lawn services and such. I don't think it's too much to ask to pay a 5 or 6 percent tax on the \$125 a week lawn service I get or the \$65 Detroit Lions ticket someone buys."

It's Smith's hopes that she can effectively bring businesses back to cities like Detroit by eliminating or reducing the business tax, but not losing out on revenue by assessing a revised service tax — very different from the one Granholm attempted to institute in years prior.

For more information about Smith or her campaign, visit www.almaformichigan.com.

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Old Friends to host holiday open house

Old Friends will hold its 20th annual Holiday Sale and Open House from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 27 and 28 at 11131 Scio Church Road, in Chelsea.

Old Friends is a local dried flower and herb business owned by Merrill Crockett and Rita Hermann since 1987.

In a pastoral setting, the show features the works of 18 local artists and provides an opportunity to shop for unique, locally-made, hand-crafted gifts for the holiday season.

Old Friends will showcase wreaths, arrangements, fairy houses and ornaments as well as herbal gifts for the home. Local artists and crafters featured during the open house are Janet Brown, chocolate and other goodies; Mary Ann Chamberlain,

natural soaps and skin care products; Sarah Chamberlain, purses, vests and aprons; Mary Coscia, functional and decorative baskets; Susan Edwards, "fimo" jewelry; Susan Falcone, nature watercolors; Carol Fletcher, photography; Jane Holt, beeswax candles; Ann LaCross, quilted table linens; Maureen Lochey, stoneware pottery; Nora McNamara, mixed metal jewelry; Beth Miller, paper arts; Josephine Page, fabric and painted jewelry; Sandy Somers, primitive paintings; and Linda Wilson, dolls, animals, and country-themed ornaments.

Old Friends farm is located between Ann Arbor and Chelsea on Scio Church Road, 2.5 miles west of Parker or 4 miles east of M-52. For more information, call 475-4651.

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Maples of Chelsea (chairman), Huron Valley Ambulance (chairman), American Red Cross (Washtenaw Chapter), Faith in Action, St. Louis Center, Chelsea Civic Foundation, Chelsea Community Foundation, Washtenaw Technical Middle College, plus many medical-related boards.

Bill Chandler is one of Chelsea's citizens who has quietly provided mentoring and support to the community for many years. While teaching school in Milan, Chandler started a work-study program in the Chelsea school district.

In 1990, along with residents Blake Thompson, Ron Mead and Chief McDougall, Chandler was instrumental in establishing a "Help Line" for persons whose depression was taking over their lives. The "Help Line" is still in existence today.

Chandler served eight years on the village council and was also a member of the Planning Commission for four years. He has also served on the Chelsea

Library Board. He's been the "man behind the scenes" at the Chelsea Depot for the past 15 years, where he's held the position of secretary/treasurer. He's now involved in obtaining a grant for the upkeep of the Chelsea Depot. He can also be found on Jackson Street on Thursday nights during Sounds & Sights passing out free water.

Chandler was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force from 1948-52. He was stationed all over the country and picked up college credits wherever he was stationed. In 1953, he married Marilyn Rice and finished his education at Michigan State University.

Chandler later returned to school and graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a Master's Degree in Business Education. With the urging of his father-in-law, he and his wife moved to Chelsea and set up housekeeping above "Murlock's Garage." Later, they built a house on Howard Street and lived there for 38 years. They now reside on Queen Oaks Drive.

Winners of the Lifetime Achievement Award are selected by secret ballot from past award winners and community and civic leaders in Chelsea.

CHELSEA BRIEFS

Community breakfast

A hot breakfast will be served to the public free of charge on the second Saturday (Nov. 14) of every month at Chelsea First United Methodist Church from 8 to 10 a.m. Everyone is invited!

People who need a good hearty breakfast, and those

who just want one or who want to meet others in a friendly setting are welcome. There will be an opportunity to sign up to volunteer for future breakfasts.

For more information, contact Lynn Booth at 475-8119, Ext. 20.

Chelsea First United Methodist Church is located at 128 Park Street.

Auditions set for Cabaret Chelsea

The Chelsea Center for the Arts and Michigan Pops Choir announce open auditions for "Cabaret Chelsea," a new series of eight shows in Chelsea stretched out from late January through December 2010.

"We're excited about an interesting take on a classic concept," said Aubrey Martinson, CCA executive director. "This is a great experiment, in a way, where the questions, 'How much talent can we cram into one evening?'"

"It's a little hard to describe, but we envision a delightful, semi-organized, very entertaining hodgepodge of singers and bands. Throw in some theater groups doing skits or one act mini-plays, mimes and jugglers, magicians, storytellers, poets, local choirs, dancers, lion tamers — you name it, you'll see it, we hope."

Each event will be on a different seasonal theme, starting off with a celebration of nightlife and the city with "The Cool Show" on Jan. 22 at the historic Chelsea Depot.

"With the first show, we're aiming for a sophisticated jazz club sort of feel, but informal is still the word: noisy, fun and

laid-back," Martinson said. With so many excellent amateur groups in town putting on big productions once or twice per year, part of the vision is for "Cabaret Chelsea" to be an "in-between" opportunity for those groups to do smaller things, and show off works in progress.

The CCA also believes that Cabaret Chelsea will appeal to the same audiences and performers who make Chelsea Sounds & Sights a continuing success.

Auditions for the Cabaret Chelsea series will take place at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at the Common Grill in Chelsea. Sign-ins begin at 4:30 p.m. and auditions will conclude at 7:30 p.m. Artists will be auditioned on a first come, first served basis, and should bring all their own equipment.

If an artist cannot attend the Nov. 16 tryout day or the nature of what they do is not suitable to demonstrate on a small stage at the Common Grill, they can call the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 433-2787, or e-mail cabaretchelsea@chelseacenterforthearts.org. For details on Cabaret Chelsea, see www.chelseacenterforthearts.org/cabaretchelsea.

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decrease the grounds upkeep, decrease the snow removal, eliminate one maintenance position, or to privatize maintenance.

Miscellaneous options include eliminating the preschool program and eliminating community education or increasing the participation fees. Wage concessions and health care provisions are also up for discussion.

Killips cautioned that in some cases, saving costs in one area may lead to increased costs in another or create new problems to solve.

"Cuts instituted now will impact students, families and employees," Killips said. "We'll have the work session on November 23 to help decide where to head the rest of this year and next year. We need to roll up our sleeves and get this done. And we're not going to make a lot of popular decisions."

A resolution that will allow

the district to be able to borrow money if needed will also be discussed at the work session. This would be a 60 or 90 day loan that is repaid with interest. According to Teresa Zigman, executive director of Business and Operations, the district cash flow is typically lowest by December because it is funded through the winter tax collection.

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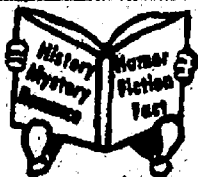
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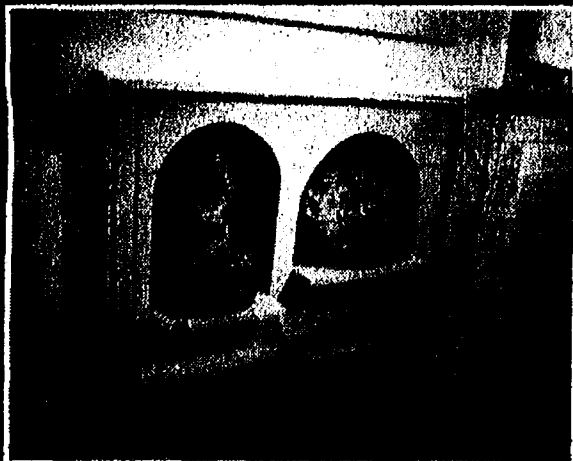
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Photos by Art Aisner

Terrence McDonald, dean of the College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts at the University of Michigan, speaks Nov. 1 at the opening of the Kelsey Museum of Archeology's new wing. The 17,000-square-foot facility was built with an \$8.5 million donation by Edwin and Mary Meader.



These are among the 100,000 ancient artifacts now on display at the William Upjohn Wing at the Kelsey Museum of Archeology on the University of Michigan Central Campus. Second from left, the new wing features stunning watercolor replicas of the Villa of the Mysteries of Pompeii. The villa was buried in an eruption of Mount Vesuvius near Naples in 79 A.D.

Dream realized as new wing of museum opens doors

By Art Aisner
Special Writer

History was made on behalf of historic artifacts in Ann Arbor Nov. 1 as the University of Michigan's Kelsey Museum of Archeology opened the new William E. Upjohn Exhibit Wing for public viewing.

The opening celebration culminated more than three years of constant work and fulfilled the nearly 80-year-old dream of the wing's donors, the late Edwin and Mary Meader.

"As a student (Edwin Meader) spent a lot of time with the Egyptian antiquities (discovered by U of M scholars at the turn of the 20th century) and had noticed that they did not have the appropriate amount of space for their display," Terrence McDonald, dean of the College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts, told several hundred academics, students and art enthusiasts from around Michigan at a formal ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"And it was during World War II that he actually became familiar with the possibilities of that area of the world, and he came back with a commitment that if he could someday, he would do something about the exhibit space."

The Meaders did, donating \$8.5 million toward the construction of a new 17,000-square-foot wing named in honor of Mary's grandfather, William Upjohn. Upjohn was also a U of M alumnus who revolutionized the pharmaceutical medicine in the late 19th century and formed the Upjohn Corp.

The new facility offers climate-controlled display cases for the internationally recognized collection of more than 100,000 ancient artifacts from Egypt, Turkey and the Near East.

Prior to Sunday, the museum could only showcase 1 percent of the entire collection, McDonald said.

"Many inaugural visitors were astonished by the elaborate collection of sculptures, painting fragments, pottery, jewelry and more."

"How they are arranged definitely caught my eye, but to see these artifacts so well preserved after all these years is amazing," marveled Ellen Patrick of Ann Arbor at a collec-



Terrence McDonald (left), dean of the University of Michigan's College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts; U of M Provost Teresa Sullivan; and Kelsey Museum Director Sharon Herbert cut the ribbon officially opening the William Upjohn Wing of the Kelsey Museum of Archeology Nov. 1.

tion of about a dozen artifacts cascading along the stairway to the museum's second floor.

Upstairs, a mesmerizing collection of stunning watercolor replicas of the Villa of the Mysteries of Pompeii, which U of M professor and museum namesake Francis Kelsey commissioned Italian artist Maria Barosso to paint in the mid-1920s.

The villa was discovered during an excavation in 1909, long after it was buried in an eruption of Mount Vesuvius near Naples in 79 A.D.

Except for a handful of special exhibitions, the watercolors remained in storage since their arrival in 1928.

"I like archeology and I like to read about it, so it's very exciting to see it up close like this,

really for the first time," said Ann Arbor resident Louise Hauenstein.

The new space will also provide expanded research and training facilities to keep U of M students at the forefront of archeological research, McDonald said.

That was a mission of the Meaders, who lived in Kalamazoo but traveled and shared an affinity for visiting archeological sites, museum officials said.

Mary and Ed Meader personally helped break ground at the site at a ceremony in 2006, but have since both passed away.

"This is the culmination of the dreams of generations, of mothers and fathers and grandmoth-

ers and grandfathers," said Kelsey Museum Director Sharon Herbert.

"Dreams do not come true without hard work, and this wonderful display is the culmination of designers, curators, students and administrators all working together incredibly hard."

Herbert and others said they also wanted to highlight throughout the museum the interesting lives the Meaders led.

"Despite her grandfather's wealth, Mary Meader distinguished herself as a pioneer in her 20s by taking some of the first aerial photographs of Africa and South America from a non-pressurized monoplane. She produced some of the first photographs of their kind during the 1930s and helped people understand the scope of the landscape and the culture of its inhabitants over centuries."

Her photos, which are on display at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum, are also featured as the inaugural installment into the Meader Gallery on the second floor.

Ed Meader, also a U of M graduate, was assigned to northern Africa during World War II with the Office of Strategic Services, the precursor to the Central Intelligence Agency. A visit to the Graeco-Roman site of Karanis — excavated by U of M scholars in the 1920s and '30s — while he was stationed in northern Egypt sparked a lifelong interest in archaeology.

"We're naming a special exhibition gallery on the second floor in honor of Ed and Mary Meader to recognize their generosity, their insatiable curiosity and their adventurous spirit," McDonald said.

Herbert said she hopes the exposure of the artifacts in the new wing will help spread appreciation for the museum as the campus jewel that it is.

"It's sometimes been said that the Kelsey is the best-kept secret on campus. After today, I think that will no longer be true," she said.

The Kelsey Museum is located at 434 S. State St., unassumingly tucked next to the Student Activities Center with an entrance off of Maynard Street. Visit www.lsa.umich.edu/kelsey for more information.

Project Harbor raising money to display local ship's artifacts

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

The U.S.S. Washtenaw County Landing Ship Tank 1166, a Vietnam War vessel, was not only the most decorated ship of its time, but also served as a peace vessel at the end of the war.

Historic artifacts from the ship reside in Washtenaw County, but are in jeopardy of leaving if a group of local veterans can't raise \$7,500 by the end of the year.

"We're hoping local civic and fraternal groups will get involved," said Elmer White, one of the committee members helping to raise funds.

In fact, it might make a great history lesson for school classrooms, and he'd be glad to find a Vietnam veteran to visit local schools to talk about the ship's history.

The goal is to keep the U.S.S. Washtenaw County in its rightful homeport, said Don Miller, a member of the fundraising group.

The ship is the only U.S. Navy vessel named after a county in Michigan, said George Perrault, one of the fundraiser's organizers.

Washtenaw County Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 310, in partnership with the U.S.S. Washtenaw County Landing Ship Tank 1166 Veterans Association, began a fundraising drive, called Project Harbor, to restore the county namesake ship's history in Ann Arbor. The money will pay for a new display case that will be placed in the clerk-treasurer building in Ann Arbor, the county seat.

The ship's bell, ribbons, a scale model, the builder's plaque and a framed photo of the decommissioned ship could be taken back by the U.S. Navy if the fundraising effort for a new display case isn't successful.

A model of the ship was built by Bill Prince of Ann Arbor, a Navy League member. The artifacts from the ship, which was longer than a football field in length, were established as a historic district of Washtenaw County in 1978, said Gary Lillie, a member of the group. That effort was led by Huron Valley Navy League's Bob Harrison, the former Washtenaw County clerk, and Merri Lou Murray, the former chairwoman of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners.

"During the ship's naval service, she was the most decorated ship of its type during the Vietnam War," Lillie said.

Among the ship's honors are a combat action ribbon, two presidential unit citations, two Navy unit commendations, four meritorious unit commendations, two National Defense medals, and three armed forces expeditionary medals.

On July 1, 1955, the ship was launched as "Washtenaw County." It served on U.S. Navy active duty from Oct. 29, 1953, to Feb. 9, 1973.

When the Vietnam War ended, the ship was decommissioned and reclassified as a Minesweeper Special Device, and was used to assist in clearing mines from Haiphong Harbor to comply with the Paris Peace Accords, White said.

The U.S.S. Washtenaw County was an amphibious ship and supported Army, Navy and Marines transporting both personnel and their cargo, he said.

The ship also carried a portable morgue and a small sickbay to care for the sick and wounded soldiers until medical evacuation from its helicopter pad could take place.

In 1975, a display case was erected on the second floor of the Washtenaw County Courthouse. Over the years, the display case has shown its age, and for the last five years has been stored in a warehouse.

"It was put into dry dock in county storage," White said.

A new display case is planned for the lobby of the county clerk/treasurer's office, where it will be more accessible to the public.

"The artifacts remain a part of Washtenaw County history and are registered Navy Department artifacts," said Tom Osmond, who was a crew member on the ship.

Any donation will help, but for those \$100 or more, the contributor will receive a commemorative U.S.S. Washtenaw County Landing Ship Tank 1166 ball cap.

Donations should be made out to VVA 310 with "LST 1166" in the memo part of a donation. Send the money to VVA 310, P.O. Box 3221, Ann Arbor, MI 48106

For more information, visit www.lst1166.com, www.history.navy.mil/danfs/w3/washtenaw-county.htm.

Project Harbor committee members include Osmond, a former crew member of Washtenaw County; Perrault, retired Navy, served on a different Landing Ship Tank; Lillie, Vietnam Navy Seabee; Tom Rang, Vietnam Navy pilot; White, a member of the Washtenaw County Historical District Commission and Air Force veteran; and Miller, Vietnam Navy aircraft sailor.

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This group of veterans includes members from all the armed forces who are trying to raise \$7,500 by the end of the year for a new case to house historical artifacts from the U.S.S. Washtenaw County. Pictured from left in back are Elmer White (Air Force), Gary Lillie (Navy), Don Miller (Navy) and Tom Osmond, (Navy) and a crew member on the ship. In the front row from left are George Perrault (Navy) and Tim Driscoll (Army).

Fact Box

What: Project Harbor, a fundraising effort for a new display case for historical artifacts from the U.S.S. Washtenaw County Landing Ship Tank 1166

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WEB VIEWS

This week's question

How do you spend Thanksgiving?

- A. At home with family
- B. Visiting family
- C. Restaurants or hotel buffets
- D. Serving those in need

HOME FRONT: By Lisa Allmendinger

Casting a vote lifts your pride in being American

At the polls on Election Day, I saw a steady stream of people coming and going. Even in Sylvan Township, where there was a one-issue ballot, I was pleased to see that my neighbors took the time to exercise their right to vote.

Did you? Election Day is just one of the many reasons I'm thankful to be an American.

I leave the polls hopeful and proudly wearing my "I Voted" sticker.

But whether my candidates or issues win or lose isn't as important to me as having the ability to choose.

And using it.

Afterward, I usually head somewhere in town where that sticker is noticed and

serves as a reminder to other voters who might have forgotten to go to the polls.

There is a flip side to this, however. What infuriates me is those people who don't take the time to participate in one of the most amazing rights we Americans are granted through the U.S. Constitution.

I just don't understand why more people don't vote, especially in local elections where there are millages or bond issues that directly affect the amount of taxes they will pay for years.

Local elections are a place where one vote can truly make a difference. More so than county, state or even national elections.

The people elected to run your town are the ones who will either shepherd or shred the future of your community.

And, as a reporter, I'm acutely aware of both the positive and negative effects elected officials have had on your municipality over the years.

Some people think that I shouldn't vote — that it's a conflict of interest for me to

have an opinion on candidates or issues that I cover.

I disagree.

Just because I report the news, that doesn't mean that my Constitutional right to vote on what happens in my community should be stifled.

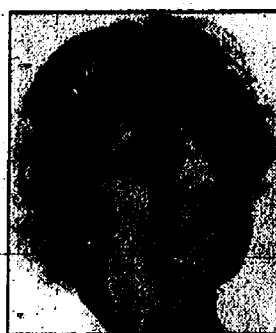
I am a U.S. citizen first and a journalist second.

So when asked about the issues and candidates, which happens frequently, I go out of my way to present both sides, just as I do when I write a story.

So, if you didn't vote in this election and now don't like the results, make sure you make an effort in May when the next election takes place.

It's not only your right as an American citizen to cast a vote, it's a privilege that every eligible resident should take seriously.

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LISA ALLMENDINGER

OUR TAKE: Editorial

Casinos at horse tracks may help ailing industry

The controversial issue of allowing casinos in Michigan horse racetracks is gaining momentum.

A group called Racing to Save Michigan wants voters to decide the issue in November 2010. The group took a small step in that direction recently when the Board of State Canvassers unanimously approved the form of a petition the group plans to circulate within the next six weeks.

Supporters would have to collect more than 380,000 valid voter signatures to make the ballot.

The proposed constitutional amendment would allow state regulators to license up to eight new casinos. Five of them would be at Michigan's horse tracks. The state could auction off the other three licenses.

Michigan now has 22 operating casinos with a 23rd under construction.

You can easily argue that the state has enough casinos, but when you think about it, would a couple more hurt? It's pure capitalism and the market should adjust if there become too many.

A 2004 voter-approved change in Michigan law requires voters to approve most gambling expansions at both the state and local levels unless it involves Detroit's three casinos or tribe-owned operations. The measure — backed by those existing casinos — thwarted an attempt by horse track owners to install slot machines at their facilities.

Horse track owners said the change in the state constitution leaves them with little option but to ask voters to approve their plans for full casinos.

In the 2004 law, the state Legislature worked on proposals to allow slot machines at race tracks, but Proposal 1, led by Indian tribes and the three Detroit casinos, stopped that action.

Representatives of existing casinos say the new proposal would end or circumvent the provision in the 2004 amendment that requires a local vote for a gambling expansion.

Voter approval of the racetrack proposal reportedly could save the state's horse racing facilities. Michigan horse race attendance fell from more than 2.5 million in 1992 to about 1.1 million in 2008.

The live racing schedule at Michigan's five major tracks was cut back this year because state support was withdrawn during the continuing budget crunch.

Michigan's major horse tracks are Pinnacle Race Course in New Boston, Hazel Park Harness Raceway, Mount Pleasant Meadows, Northville Downs and Sports Creek Raceway in Swartz Creek.

Let's face it, the gambling genie has been let out of the bottle. Why not make our wishes work for the region and state rather than the Indian tribes and Detroit casinos.

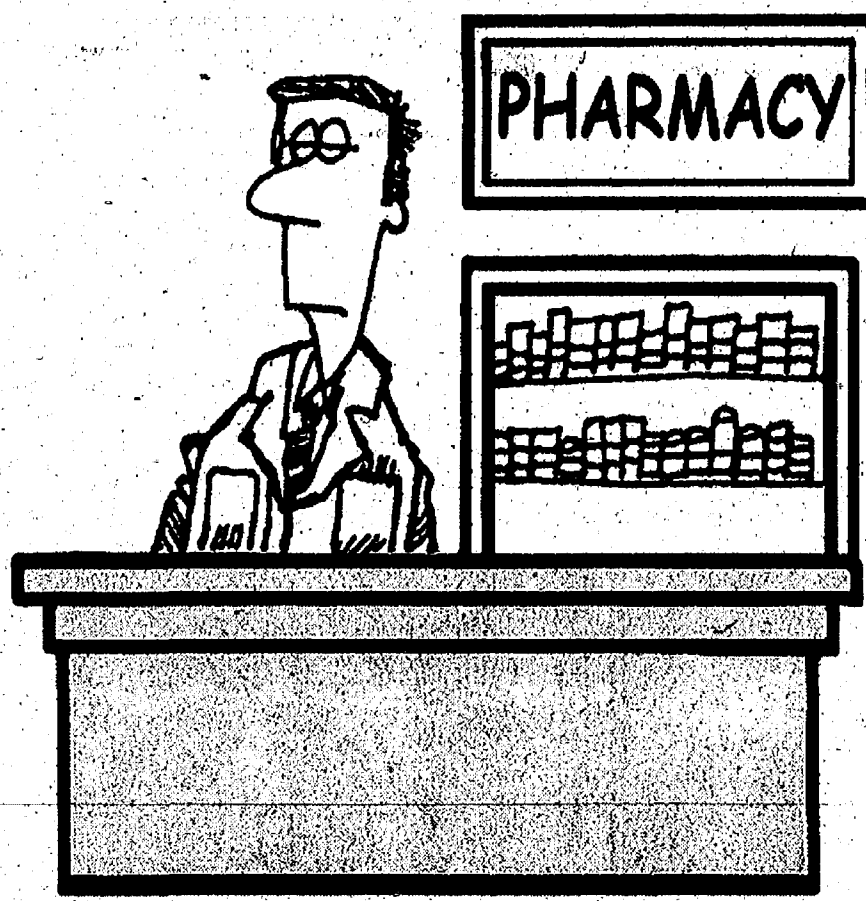
We appreciate the concerns of those who feel more casinos will increase the problems of those with gambling addictions. But people don't have to travel far now to gamble.

Increasing the number of casinos should not aggravate the problem, but it could help an ailing industry that's part of Michigan's sports and economic heritage that once was among the top three industries in the state. Also, this could add needed tax revenue to state coffers without a tax increase.

It's time to look past the vested interests of a few casino operators and look at the big picture to add taxes and jobs in a state that is in desperate need of both.

At least let the voters decide this issue.

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"DO YOU HAVE ANY OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATION FOR SWINE FLU-ALERTS ANXIETY?... "

Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

Student looking for Michigan memorabilia

I am writing to you to say hello from the smallest state in the union, Rhode Island. I am a seventh-grade student at Goff Junior High school in Pawtucket, R.I. In my social studies class, we are doing a project on a particular state. I chose to do Michigan and I am looking for information and material about Michigan and from individual cities in Michigan.

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Brain Gilmore
Pawtucket, R.I.

Will national party pressure affect 2010 campaign?

They pretty much bungled it in New York, but did better in New Jersey. So who knows how well they will do

regarding the Democratic race for governor in Michigan?

Sources confirm that the White House already is watching from the sidelines.

Recall that President Obama's team tried to find a new candidate for governor in New York. It was handled with all the grace of a 350-pound ballerina doing "Swan Lake."

In New Jersey, with a little more finesse, the pollster for incumbent Democratic Gov. Jon Corzine was quietly dumped.

That pollster was Mark Mellman, who coincidentally did polling for one Jennifer Granholm and one John Cherry.

Mellman was shoved aside, according to Politico.com, and replaced with Joel Benenson.

Joel who? Benenson just happens to be the pollster for the Obama presidential campaign.

Of course, the White House has denied that it is sticking its nose into various governors' races where the Democratic candidate could lose. I didn't think they

would confirm that. In Michigan, insiders are buzzing over White House

"concerns" about Michigan and Cherry, the lieutenant governor and heir apparent to Granholm's mantle. Granholm can't run again in 2010 because of term limits.

Some Dems are worried that Cherry can't win, and since the Obama folks want a Democratic governor in place for legislative redistricting in 2011 — and an Obama re-election bid after that — they are watching very carefully and have been since January.

This already has been shared with the Cherry team. The president is monitoring Michigan and somebody named Dillon has huddled with White House advisers who work for David Axelrod — who is sort of close to you-know-who.

The president knows state House Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford Township. During a presidential sojourn to Macomb

County that Dillon attended, Obama even walked up and said, "Hi, Andy."

The concerns about the 2010 contest extend beyond the White House.

In Michigan, insiders are buzzing over White House "concerns" about John Cherry.

It also was the subject of a high-level confab involving state Democratic Party Chairman Mark Brewer and other Michigan Dems. They huddled with the new national Democratic Party chairman. And he asked what he could do for them.

"Find a job for Jennifer Granholm" was the request, so that Cherry could replace her and then run as an incumbent, which would not help Dillon.

Cherry is handicapped by his incumbent boss, the theory goes, and after the GOP gets done wrapping Cherry up in the Granholm legacy ... well, you can see why the Democrats might be concerned. As for ... Cherry, he's not.

"I don't buy that," he said the other day.

Dillon won't make a decision on whether to run for governor until the end of November. Note that the speaker's family, minus his 15-year-old son, has signed off on him getting into the race, but he's not there yet.

An informed guess suggests he's got fire-in-the-belly issues, and most days he wakes up not wanting to run. He's also haunted by the stress in the

Democratic Party he'd foster if he took on Cherry.

Regardless, avid Dillon campers will continue to hype this White House-Dillon link for obvious reasons — it makes their guy look good and causes Cherry fits.

Everyone assumes that if the White House wanted Cherry out — and there's been no signal of that — Dillon would be the pick.

However, take note that Axelrod has close ties to another guy who thought about running but didn't. Could the Obama crew talk to Dennis Archer, former Detroit mayor, about running for governor?

You're right if you think all of this seems far-fetched. But in politics, far-fetched has a funny way of becoming reality.

Tim Skubick is the host of the TV show "Off the Record" and blogs regularly at www.thenews-herald.com.



TIM SKUBICK

Festival helps raise funds for needy

Food items sought to replenish local food pantry

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

The annual Home for the Holidays Christmas festival and Holiday Hustle have become more than a fun community event to celebrate the season.

The events, sponsored by Think Dexter First, are an opportunity for residents to help families in need at the holidays.

This year, the festivities will be held Dec. 5 throughout town.

"It's really what this event is all about," said Think Dexter First Director Mary Pierce. "The generosity from the community is amazing. Everyone donates somehow in some way."

Recently, the Think Dexter First board joined the Dexter Lions Club, Absolute Computer Services and several individuals to dedicate \$1,000 in media equipment to the Dexter Senior Center. That money represented 25 percent of last year's proceeds from these holiday events in Dexter. The same percentage will go toward the senior center, as well.

Pierce and ShopDexter.com's Ron Ralford showed up at Dexter's Faith in Action location on Baker Road with a \$1,000 check, also from last year's proceeds.

In addition to being raised via the Holiday Hustle 5K run, the funds are generated by selling Think Dexter First cards that get shoppers a discount at participating stores, such as Dexter Pharmacy and Dexter Card Shoppe, where the cards also can be purchased.

This year, those who attend the festival and race can donate non-perishable food from the food drive at the holiday run.

For every food item donated, a raffle ticket will be given away that could earn its holder prizes from Running Fit, which is sponsoring the run. Those who aren't participating in the hustle are not exempt



Susan Walsh (left) of Dexter Family Service, Mary Pierce of Think Dexter First, Doug Smith of Faith in Action and Ron Ralford, Think Dexter First/ShopDexter.com, present a check to FIA.

from participating in the food drive and raffle.

All of the food will stock Faith in Action, replenishing stores in the face of the coming holiday season.

Home Run Services is also donating the vans to

transport the food and Huron Valley Ambulance is donating Emergency Medical Service for racers.

Pierce wanted to thank a good many people, including the residents of the Huron Farms subdivision.

"The residents are welcome to come out and cheer the runners on ... Running Fit is even providing a special coupon for their hospitality during the race," she said.

Martin Folk is conducting carvings during the event. His ice sculptures will be on

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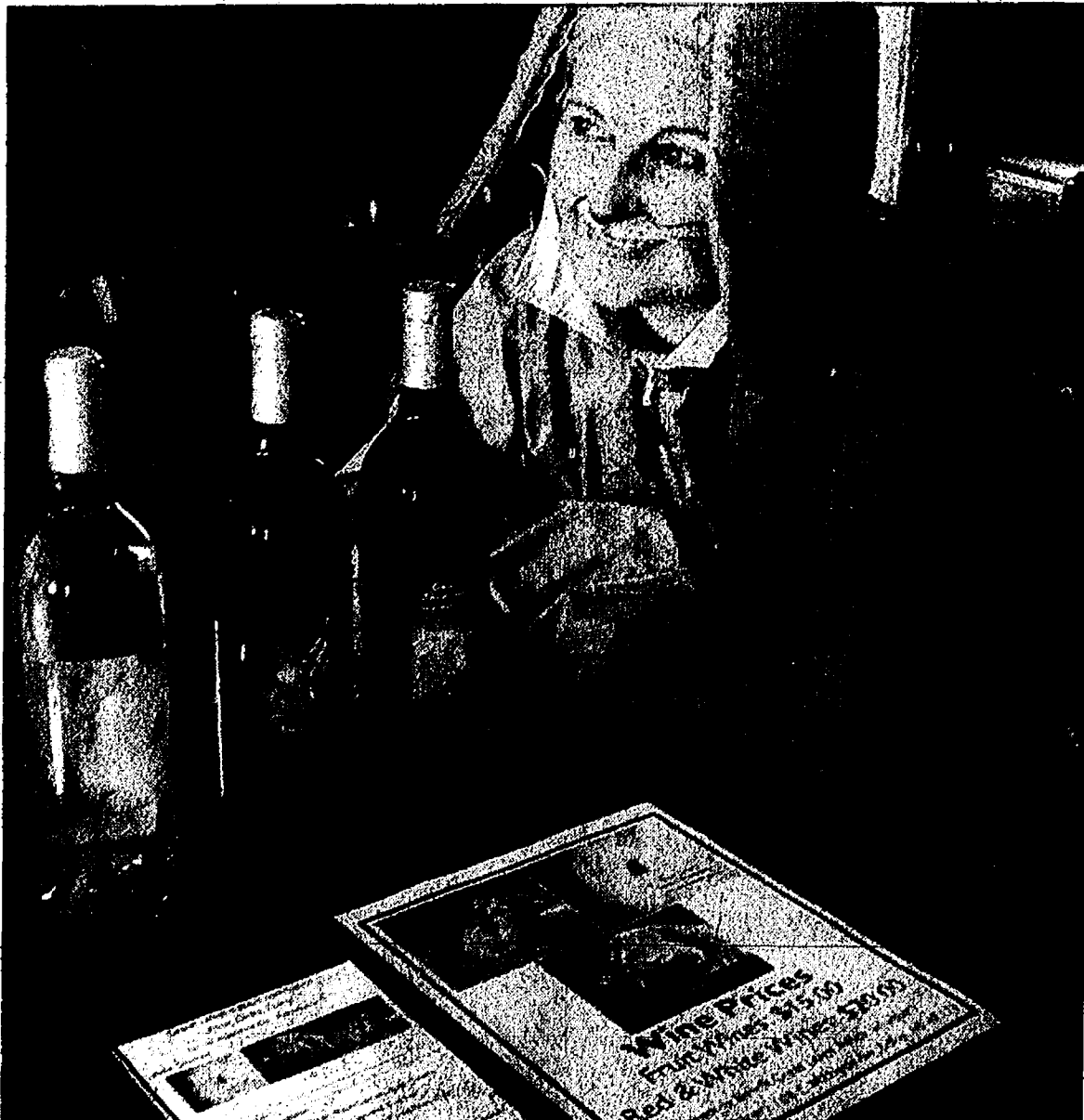
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The Chocolate Drop fundraiser, held Sunday to benefit Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary in Whittaker, located near Lincoln High School in Ypsilanti, raised about \$1,200 for the nonprofit, a safe haven for bunnies like Alice (left), who have been abandoned, surrendered, abused or neglected.



Debbie Toundan donned a bunny costume and volunteered to entertain children Sunday at a fundraiser for the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary. The Washtenaw County-based nonprofit paired with the Melting Pot in Ann Arbor to offer chocolate dipping sauce and desserts. Spotted Dog Winery in Saline provided order forms so supporters could order bottles of wine with bunnies from the sanctuary on the labels. The event also featured a raffle.

Chocolate Drop benefits abandoned bunnies

Terry Jacoby was one of the performers Sunday to donate his time and talent at the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary's Chocolate Drop. The event featured chocolate dipping sauce and desserts donated by the Melting Pot in Ann Arbor, a raffle, two musicians, tours and sale of bunny-related merchandise. More information about the sanctuary can be found at www.rabbitsanctuary.org. In addition, the nonprofit is on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/GLRabbits>, as well as Facebook.



ABOVE: Brothers Harry, 12, Adam, 8, and Tyler Ervin, 10, all students in Milan schools, attended the Chocolate Drop fundraiser for Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary.



AT LEFT: Andy John of Westland performed Sunday at the Chocolate Drop fundraiser to benefit Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary. A wine tasting at Spotted Dog Winery will be held in December to help raise more money for the local nonprofit. Check the sanctuary's Web site for details at www.rabbitsanctuary.org.

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CAUSLEY, GLADYS IRENE, of Cadillac, formerly of Dexter/Ann Arbor; passed away Tuesday, November 3, 2009, at Lakeview Lutheran Manor in Cadillac; she was 88. Gladys was born December 30, 1920, to Harry and Gladys (Thompson) Macomber in Ypsilanti, MI. She was a member of the Moose Lodge. Gladys was also a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Cadillac. She clearly loved her children, grandchildren and friends. She also enjoyed baking, sewing, crocheting, gardening, watching the birds and playing euchre. She loved her dog, Rascal. Gladys is survived by her children, Edward Earl (Kathy) Canter, Jr. of Burt, David Lee (Linda) Canter of Royal Oak, Marilyn D. (Eugene) Mayse of Ypsilanti, Nancy Irene (Peter Daniel) Anderson of Lakeside, CA, Mary Lynn Fettes of Grass Lake, Earl David (Mary Jane) Schneider of Keego Harbor, Julie Lynne (Christopher) Leonard of Fenton, Neil Oscar (Debbie) Schneider, Jr. of Cadillac, Jenny Lynne (Robert) Thompson of Cadillac; 34 grandchildren; 72 great grandchildren; and 11 great great grandchildren. Gladys was preceded in death by her parents; three husbands, Edward Earl Canter, Neil Oscar Schneider, Sr., and Arthur Causley; two brothers, Glen and George Macomber; three sisters, Edith Austin, Ina Proctor and Marian Laidlaw; daughter, Sharon Schauer; and great grandchild, Caleb Chance Hufford. Interment at Haring Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation or to Emmanuel Lutheran Church.



NEWTON, J. MAXINE, age 88; of Howell, formerly of Chelsea; passed away Friday, November 6, 2009. Born November 29, 1920 in Kokomo, IN, she was the daughter of Alvin L. and Lena (Lovejoy) Price. She graduated from Central High School, Washington, DC, on 21 June 1939. Having won a scholarship to Columbia Technical Institute in Washington, DC, she majored in Fashion Design and Illustration. She also studied advertising art and layout, costume design and was a member of the Omega Phi Sorority. During World War II, she first used her art abilities while working for the Army Map Service. With wonderful creative skill in early and later life, she worked with fine line pens designing many beautiful lithographs, as well as many oil and watercolor pieces. Her hands were never idle. Her children were taught techniques of design and sketch as she encouraged their abilities in creative works. Maxine began painting on canvas in the late 1960's. Upon retirement, she joined the Kingston Women's Club in Tennessee. She organized their Art Committee and chaired a monthly art exhibit. At one time, the Kingston Community Center displayed 16 of her paintings in their gallery. Maxine also directed their Children's Art Competition in 1980. She participated in various art exhibitions in both Kingston, Tennessee and in Chelsea, Michigan where she resided several years before moving to Howell, Michigan. Maxine was also very active in the Chelsea community. She was a former member of the Chelsea Painters and Ann Arbor Art Guild, volunteered her time working with children's art camps, the Chelsea Senior Citizens Group, Chelsea Hospital and enjoyed her regular monthly poker nights with "the golden girls". In addition to her love of the arts, she enjoyed photography, making clothes, crocheting, tatting, knitting, embroidery, cooking and even tumbling rocks to make jewelry from the colorful stones. Her creative influence continues to encourage the generations in the family that knew her well and will miss her sass and contagious laughter. Loving mother of Susan (Ronald) Lamb of Lake Forest, IL, Joan (Greg) Wallace of Howell, Bonnie (Phil) Henault of Lincoln, MT and Patricia Syte of Howell; also survived by her former husband, Maurice R. Newton; nine grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; and siblings, Marcia (Nolan) Collins and Walter S. (Chantal) Clarke. Memorial Service Thursday, 11 a.m. at MacDonald's Funeral Home - Howell (517-548-2800) with Visitation beginning at 10 a.m. Memorial contributions to your favorite charity suggested. Please visit the family's on-line guest book at www.macdonaldfuneralhome.com

SARTIN, JEAN MYRENE, went home to be with her Lord on November 4, 2009. She was born February 23, 1924, to Reuben and Amelia (Boettger) Gauss. She was the youngest of four girls, who have all preceded her in death: Doris Schulte, Verdice (Bunny) Haworth and Geraldine (Jerry) Rapaport. Myrene graduated from Dexter High School in 1941. She also received a degree from Cleary College in 1943. She married her lifetime love, William Woodrow Sartin, on December 30, 1945. He preceded her in death on August 10, 1995. She is survived by two daughters, Kathy (Jim) Petty of Howell and Kara (John) Durham of Texas; one grandson, Jason (Melissa) Schiffman; one great grandson, Damian Schiffman of Hamburg; and several nephews and nieces. She was first and foremost a Mom and wonderful homemaker. Myrene was a great grandmother and friend and will be missed by many. She also had a generous heart regarding charitable causes. Funeral Services have taken place. Arrangements entrusted to the Hosmer-Muehlberg Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Marine Corps Toys for Tots, 893 Hurley Dr., Howell, MI 48843; or Angel Tree, P.O. Box 1550, Merrifield, VA 22116-1550.

HOWARD, JAMES D., age 70; Van Buren Township, MI. Mr. Howard passed away Friday at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. He was born October 28, 1939 in Detroit, son of the late John Floyd and Laverne Emma (Lohmeier) Howard. After graduation, Jim attended Butler University on a football scholarship with an English major. He served his country in the U.S. Army and then worked for Ford Motor Company-Michigan Truck Plant for 32 years. His first and forever love was his wife Patty, his family and friends. He was an avid golfer and bowler who also loved gardening. He was an active member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville and was a member of St. Vincent de Paul and enjoyed delivering turkey and such to the needy. He was also very active in the 4H club for years. Survived by wife of nearly 47 years, Patricia Marilyn (Hack) Howard; 5 children Melissa (Ken) Haughn of Portage, Beth (Dave) Berens of Paw Paw, Jim (Tammy) Howard of Blackstone, VA, Carrie (Mark Serwatka) Howard of Westland and Jason (Jessica) Howard of Plymouth; 15 grandchildren and one on-the-way. Preceded in death by his parents, also a brother, Jerry Howard. Funeral Mass 11 a.m. Thursday, November 12, 2009 at St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville. Interment Hillside Cemetery, Belleville. Memorials to Make-A-Wish Foundation of MI, Society of St. Vincent de Paul or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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Auditions set for 'Cabaret Chelsea' show series

The Chelsea Center for the Arts and Michigan Pops Choir will hold open auditions for "Cabaret Chelsea," a new series of eight shows in Chelsea stretched out from late January through December 2010.

"We're excited about an interesting take on a classic concept," said Aubrey Martinson, executive director of the CCA. "We felt we could do the community a service by establishing a sort of indoor version of Sounds & Sights, a regular community open mic night, but more."

"Envision a delightful, semi-organized, fully hilarious hodgepodge of singers, bands, maybe mimes and

cabaret-style events will only add to that, she said.

"There are so many excellent groups and artists in town — the Chelsea Area Players, Dance Arts of Chelsea, the Chelsea Chamber Players, Like Water Drum and Dance, the various great groups at Chelsea High School (including) theater guild, the choirs, orchestras, bands, Company C, and those amazing guys who bang on plastic buckets. Not to mention the CCA's own Michigan Pops Choir, our resident artist-teachers, and Chelsea's artistic crown jewel, the Purple Rose Theater."

Martinson said that the vision is for the "Cabaret

Chelsea" shows to be the informal in-between shows, a ready-to-hand performance opportunity for both the established, "big show" groups in the area, as well as smaller groups and individual artists, such as the musicians who are drawn to perform at Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights in Chelsea.

Auditions for the 'Cabaret Chelsea' series will take place from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at the Common Grill restaurant in Chelsea. Call 433-2787.

Each event

will be on a different seasonal theme, starting off with "The Cool Show" Jan. 23 at the Chelsea Depot. It will be a celebration of nightlife and the city — the urbane, the chic, tuxedos and high heels, Champagne and caviar.

"With the first show, we're aiming for a sophisticated jazz club sort of feel, but informal is still the word — noisy, fun, laid-back," Martinson said. "You know how before you can have people over for a dinner party, you need to clean the house? Well, these shows are sort of anti-house cleaning parties. We're putting them together pretty quickly..."

Chelsea already has a solid reputation for the arts, and this new series of informal

auditions for the "Cabaret Chelsea" series will take place Nov. 16 at the Common Grill in Chelsea. Sign-in begins at 4:30 p.m. and auditions will conclude at 7:30 p.m. Artists will be auditioned on a first come, first served basis, and should bring all their own equipment.

If you cannot make the Nov. 16 date, call the Chelsea Center for the Arts at 433-2787, or e-mail cabarethechelsea@chelseacenterforthearts.org.

For more information, visit www.chelseacenterforthearts.org/cabarethechelsea.



Chelsea already has a solid reputation for the arts, and this new series of informal cabaret-style events is expected to add to that. Musicians line street corners in the summer for Sounds and Sights on Thursday Nights.



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Food pantries begin campaign

By Daniel Lai
Heritage Newspapers

As the holiday season gets under way, local food pantries across Washtenaw County are gearing up for what they expect to be one of their busiest years.

"We've had a 100 percent increase in the number of families and individuals seeking assistance this year," said Nancy Paul, executive director of Faith in Action.

Faith in Action is a community-funded, faith-based assistance and resource center serving residents in the Chelsea and Dexter school districts. The nonprofit is currently working on supplying needy families with food baskets for Thanksgiving.

"Anyone who qualifies for food assistance can apply for a Thanksgiving basket," Paul said.

Fifty families are expected to participate in the holiday program this year.

"We see less people for Thanksgiving than we do for Christmas," Paul said. "During Christmas, we average 130 families and individuals."

To meet the need, Paul said both the Dexter and Chelsea communities continue to provide ample donations for the food pantry.

"Right now, we are able to meet the need in our communities," she said. "It is remarkable to be able to help out twice as many people as we did last year."

"It's a real blessing. It's the lesson of loaves and fishes at work. When you say there is a need in the community, people tend to dig a little deeper to help."

Local food pantries

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Ypsilanti
1-734-485-8730

Manchester Community Resource Center
410 City Road
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1-734-426-7722

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131 E. Michigan Ave.
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Faith in Action
603 S. Main St.
Chelsea
1-734-475-3305

Aid in Milan
89 W. Main St.
Milan
1-734-439-8320

In addition to the Thanksgiving baskets, FIA is conducting its Christmas sponsorship drive.

"We're already in full force for Christmas," Paul said. "We need sponsors to help us out."

To participate, local residents can choose to sponsor a family or individual anonymously through FIA. Participants receive a list of gift suggestions and return the gifts unwrapped to FIA Dec. 17.

To participate, contact FIA at 475-3305.

Manchester has specific needs

Chris Kanta, director of the Manchester Community Resource Center, said she also

has seen a spike in the number of local families seeking food assistance.

"Because we're a Michigan Works! access point, we're seeing a lot more families struggling," Kanta said.

Overall, Washtenaw County has experienced a 35 percent increase in the number of individuals seeking job and food assistance this year, she said.

"We're seeing all sorts of people coming in for the first time," Kanta said. "We try to comfort the ones that are newly unemployed and are seeking assistance."

The CRC food pantry is currently in need of salad dressings, powdered sugar, brown sugar, Jell-O, pudding, canned yams, crackers, shortening, soup, chips, snack foods, children's lunch foods and certain perishable foods.

The CRC has also begun offering employment services for those seeking help with resumes, job searches and computer skills.

Job skills volunteers are available by appointment. To donate food or schedule an appointment with the CRC, call 428-7722.

In Saline, the need is growing

Susan Brown, director of services at Saline Social Service, said volunteers are hard at

work preparing food baskets for the holidays.

"We are still in need of food baskets," she said. "If anyone is interested, they can call us and we will give them suggestions for items."

Gift cards for turkeys and other holiday meats are also needed.

"We have definitely seen a rise in the number of families seeking help," Brown said. "It's grown from 51 families last year to 92 this year."

Brown said donations have remained fairly consistent since schools began their fall semester.

"In the summer, we were really stretching the donations," she said.

"Saline is a very generous community and we're seeing that reflected in the number of donations we get."

Ypsilanti conducting gift card drive

Chelsea Clark, community relations coordinator for SOS Community Services in Ypsilanti, said volunteers at the nonprofit are currently conducting a gift card drive to collect gift cards for families to purchase holiday meals.

The drive will continue through Nov. 16.

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SANVILLE

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"I directed a play ('Harvey') in high school. There was a big cutback in those days, so if we wanted to put on a play, we had to do it ourselves. I learned a lot. I started doing community theater and have always been busy ever since."

While he was only a senior in high school, Sanville says he still has memories of directing his first play, and the most important lesson he learned was that he knew right then that he could do it.

"I had really good instincts then even though I had no idea what I was doing," he said. "I instinctively understood things like composition and pace and things like that. I was only 17 or 18 years old at the time, but I knew then that I really wanted to direct. I liked that kind of responsibility."

College would follow, but it didn't stick. Sanville said he went to college for a total of "about two years."

"Jeff and I are the only two at the Purple Rose who didn't go to college," Sanville said. "And I highly recommend going to college. I wish I did have a degree."

"Originally, I went to college for law enforcement because I wanted to be a policeman, but I realized pretty quickly that I didn't have the temperament for that."

"When I was 23, I said forget it to everything else. I knew then I wanted to be an actor, and I wanted to be in show business, and if anyone had a problem with that, they were going to have to get over it."

While living in Lansing in his early 20s, Sanville again began acting. He also was writing and producing his own plays. A few years later, Sanville headed to the big stage in New York City.

"I was there for five or six years," Sanville said. "I studied a lot. New York is a great place to get work from other places. A lot of theaters go to New York to hire actors. During those years, I was working a lot, not very much in New York, but that's where I was based and got jobs at other places around the country. I was doing everything from dinner theaters to outdoor drama to whatever I could get my hands on."

Welcome to Chelsea

Sanville eventually moved back to Lansing, got married and took a job at a local hospital to help pay the bills. And then he got the phone call that ended up changing his life.

"I got a call from a guy who had directed a play at the Purple Rose and said they were doing a new play there," Sanville said. "I had heard of the Purple Rose and had always been curious. I had seen Jeff on Broadway when I lived in New York."

"My friend said they were doing a new play written by Jeff, and he thought there was a part in it that I would be perfect for. He told me to get my butt down there and audition for it. So I called up and got the last audition spot."

Sanville remembers that day like it was yesterday.

"I went down and did a couple of monologues," he said. "The director said I might be a little too young for this part, but that I was really good. He said that if there was anything I was right for, he would call me back. So I left feeling pretty good."

"On Monday, I got a call back and went back the following Saturday, and Jeff was sitting there. And I got really nervous. Jeff had written a play, 'Tropical Pickle,' for Wayne David Parker, who was in there auditioning when I came in. And I had met Wayne before and felt really comfortable with him."

"When I walked out, Jeff said, 'That's the guy.' The director said, 'Well he's supposed to be a 55-year-old blonde Polish guy.' Jeff said, 'Not anymore. Now, he's a 36-year-old Italian.'"

Sanville got the part - for the play and in the hearts and minds of those running the theater.

"He walked in and auditioned in 1992," Daniels remembers. "And we were looking for a guy who was completely unhinged and looked like he was about two weeks away from being put into the insane asylum. And Sanville walked in with that aura. He looked disturbed. As soon as I saw him, I turned to the director and said, 'cast him...he's the guy.'"

He turned out to be more than the guy. He turned out to be The Guy.

"Guy's emotions are on his sleeve, which is a wonderful part about him," Daniels said. "He wears his passion where

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everyone can see it. And that's great. Whoever it was that I saw walk in that day has developed into not only a passion for the theater, but an expertise in how to handle new plays and how to run an artistic side of a theater company.

"He bleeds purple. You can't ask for more of someone to be a part of your theater company. Everybody there does that, but he is one of the leaders we have that really leads by example. He is one reason that we have so little turnover. People are there and want to be there and want to stay there, and he's part of the reason for that."

Sanville has had no intentions of leaving since he first walked through the doors on Park Street. He's wanted to be there since that first audition in 1992.

"When I walked into this place for the first time, they had these black and white tiles on the floor in the old lobby, and I had a moment of clarity," he said. "It was like the floor came up to meet me, and I just knew that my life would never be the same. I just knew it wouldn't

be the same. My spirit lifted. My life changed. I realized that when I came to work here, I had found a creative home after about 15 years of looking.

"I always said that if I got into something creative and successful, I would stay until they didn't want me anymore, and this is my creative home. And I knew it that very day. I didn't think I would become artistic director, but I'm glad that's how it worked out."

And how did that all work out?

"The Tropical Pickle" ran from May 7 through Aug. 30, 1992. Sanville returned to the Purple Rose stage in 1993 with a role in "The Vast Difference," also written by Daniels. That play ran from Oct. 7, 1993 to Jan. 9, 1994. It was around this time that Sanville soon began taking jobs as stage manager and even directing.

He had another prominent role in Daniels' "Thy Kingdom's Coming" which ran at the end of 1994.

"I had a pretty good deal at that point," Sanville said. "I was acting in one or two shows a year here and directing one, so it kept me busy, and I was really enjoying it."

Sanville's first directing job at the Purple Rose was with a play called "Nooner," written by Kim Carney. The play ran from June 17 to Aug. 29, 1993.

"Since 1987 I had directed at quite a few different places, so I wasn't new to the directing side at all," Sanville said.

But he admits he felt comfortable both on and off the stage at the Purple Rose.

In 1994, Sanville directed "Stanton's Garage," by Joan Ackermann and in 1995 he took the director's chair again with Carney's "Only Me and You."

By this time, Sanville was certainly adding his shade of color to the Purple Rose. In just a few years, he went from a last minute audition to a prominent role

in deciding the direction of this growing local theater company. Daniels' dream of a thriving theater in his hometown was taking form right before his eyes - and so was the person who could take it to the next level.

The next level

Guy Sanville was something special. And it didn't take Daniels long to recognize this.

"(Jeff) was asking people what they thought about me taking over as artistic director, and then he called me and invited me over to his house," Sanville said. "It was on a Monday, and Alan (Ribant, managing director) was there. They had decided to make a change that previous Friday and I thought they just wanted to consult with me about who they should bring in."

"Jeff asked me what I would do if I were the artistic director.

I said I would do this and this and that and that. Then he said, 'I'd like you to do this job.' And I was just flabbergasted. I was absolutely floored and thrilled at the same time."

"I didn't know this, of course, but I had been preparing for this job for the past 20 years. Every job I had before this, from washing dishes to being a personnel administrator to acting, stage managing, directing - they all prepared me for this job as artistic director. If I had been offered this job five or 10 years earlier, I wouldn't have been ready. But I felt I was ready for this opportunity."

On May 1 1995, Sanville was named artistic director at the Purple Rose.

"We all work in service of Jeff's vision," Sanville said. "Based on his vision, we have been able to carve out our own unique identity. What we offer

is really unique in many ways."

Daniels says that all three of the key people at the Purple Rose - Sanville, Alan Ribant and Casey Granton - aren't "yes" men to the big movie star.

"I can't have that, because the theater wouldn't run well if that were the case," Daniels said. "Guy and I have a good relationship as playwright-director because there are strengths that he has that I don't. He knows structure better than I do, and he knows themes. I don't know as much as he does in a lot of areas. He can step back from it in a way and ask, 'What about this?' or 'What are you trying to say there?' and force me to actually not defend it, but answer it, and often times I will see then that it's really not that important."

Daniels says the actor and playwright need that trust and

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honesty in a relationship with a director. It all falls apart if the relationship isn't there.

"As an actor, I try to get with a great director and talk to the director and listen to the director just as an actor," Daniels said. "And the eight producers standing behind the camera who want to say something, I just ignore them. But I have a relationship with the one guy, and it goes back to the two heads are better than one thing. I am able to do this same thing with Guy when I write plays."

"I'm the playwright, and he's the director, and we are equal. And at the Purple Rose, no matter who the playwright is, at the end of the day, the playwright is king and has the final word."

Sanville not only doesn't have a problem with that, he wouldn't have it any other way. "I don't try to anticipate what Jeff is going to think," he says. "I'm just honest with him and tell him the good news and the bad news and tell him what I think. I can be quite passionate for a point of view, but if it comes up differently, then I get on board with it. I may not agree with something, but once the decision comes down from the head guy, then I'm all about making it happen."

"Jeff is very interested in what goes on here. He's interested in what his work and his theater inspires in other people. I know what kind of theater we are, and I know our audience. We have been at this a long time now and we are all about new plays and doing things a certain way. We've got that down."

The vision

Sanville is now 55 years old, but a young 55, because he loves what he's doing.

"The hardest part of my job is not anticipating what Jeff wants," he said. "The hardest part of my job is also the best part of my job. What we do here is really hard. To make the plays we make here is not easy. And 'Escanaba' is a great example of this. Life is not all comedy, and it's not all tragedy. It's a mix. That's what we try to bring to our plays."

And at the end of the day, there is Daniels' vision. It all comes back to that in some form or fashion.

"Jeff is always supportive and most of the time we are on the same page," Sanville said. "I have a pretty good idea of the vision of this theater, and if I didn't, I wouldn't be the artistic director. We like to pick new plays that are going to have an impact on the people who live in this part of the country."

Now in his 14th year as artistic director, Sanville has directed 33 plays for the Purple Rose, including the current Daniels' hit "Escanaba." He has received numerous accolades, including the Detroit Free Press Excellence in Theatre Award for Best Director four times.

"I like to think I do everything better than when I first started," he says. "I have to get better every year. And everyone who works here feels that way. I think I'm better at all parts of the job. If one thing stands out it's that I have more faith now in the people that I work with than I used to. This is the finest group of people I have ever worked with at any place."

"One of the many things I learned from Jeff is to get the best people, give them what they need to do their job and let them do it. I think I've gotten better at that. I will give my opinions, but I don't lose sleep anymore over things I don't have any control over. We have great people here and I help in any way I can."

"Alan (Ribant) and Casey (Grant) and I are like three moons circling the planet Jeff."

Not only is Guy loving life at the Purple Rose, but he's also fallen head over heels for Chelsea and the surrounding community. He's been married to Nancee for 23 years, and they have an 11-year-old daughter, Rose.

"I live about three blocks from the theater," he said. "I booked around 3,300 hours last year, so it's nice to live so close. And he's not complaining at all about the long hours."

"I have the best job in America," he said. "It's my life's work, and I want to do it for at least seven or eight more years if they let me. Maybe 10 years. I'm never going to retire, but I work really hard, and I could see down the road where it's going to be time to turn this job over to someone else."

Sanville insists that being the artistic director is not a young man's job.

"You need experience to run the Purple Rose Theater Co.," he said. "This is not a job for

someone just starting out. I got this job when I was 41 years old. The Purple Rose needs someone who knows what they're doing, and it takes 20 years to learn everything you need to know to run a theater at this level and with this consistency."

While he does put in long hours and wears plenty of hats, Sanville says he has never gotten burned out. He has a lot of responsibility and there certainly is pressure because of where he sits, but you can't burn out on something you enjoy doing.

"Sure, I need a vacation every once in a while, but I love what I do," he said. "It's mostly a marathon, and there are times when you need to sprint, but I love it all. There are people who are working 70 hours a week who don't like what they're doing. So I feel very fortunate to be where I am in my life."

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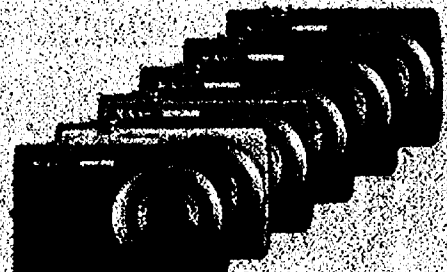
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CHS production of 'Cinderella' opens Friday at high school

By Chelsea Baxter
Guest Writer

Tonight is the beginning of wonder, magic and "when the impossible becomes possible." Chelsea High School Theatre Guild presents the enchanting Rogers and Hammerstein musical "Cinderella."

This musical night will be filled with imagination and magic, while the cast, crew and supporters of "Cinderella" help bring the well-known tale to life. Cinderella, played by CHS senior Ashlyn Brinklow, learns that impossible dreams can come true. Prince Christopher, played by CHS senior Jake Prince, finds his true love in one night and must find her when she leaves only her glass slipper behind.

This classic tale shows the wonders of love, family and magic in a family-friendly environment that brings the imagination to life.

The production also features the talents of several CHS students. Kaci Friss, a senior, plays the role of the fairy godmother, who helps prove that dreams really do come true. The wicked stepmother, played by sophomore Devyn Bauer, and the two stepsisters, who are played by seniors Alexis Alvarado and Ashlee Walker, form Cinderella's step-family. The king, played by senior David

Straub, and the queen, played by Claire Myers, also help tell Cinderella's story in a sophisticated and heart-felt way.

Jack Meloche performs as the herald. The chef is senior Alyssa Prokos, and junior Brad Stech portrays the steward.

The chorus consists of sophomore Chelsea Baxter, freshman Audrey Bloom, freshman Kelsey Brinklow, senior Julia Cassell, senior Heather Cooper, senior Sara Dixon, sophomore Maia Evans, sophomore Anna Friss, junior Becca Glover, junior Simone Gonzalez-Nagy, sophomore Jessica Hall, sophomore Luke Hoag, junior Kaitlyn Jolly, sophomore Melissa Knox, sophomore Krista McInnes, sophomore Tiffany Newman, sophomore Danny Patton, sophomore Charlotte Prenevost and sophomore Brenna VanSchoick, as well as many others.

The other members of the musical include the backstage tech crew, the pit orchestra, and the parents of the cast and crew.

"If it wasn't for all of these wonderful people, we wouldn't have the amazing opportunity to learn of a young girl who meets her prince and learns that dreams really do come true," the theater department stated in a press release.

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Chelsea Baxter is a sophomore at Chelsea High School.

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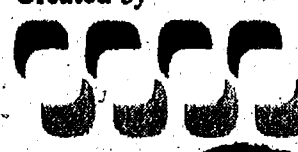
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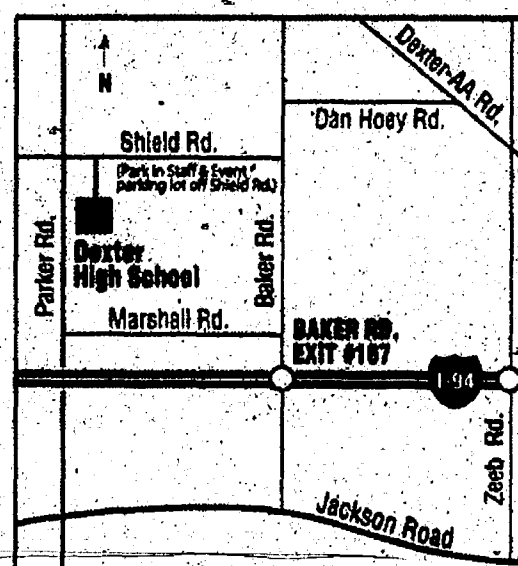
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A preschooler discovers a furry friend on a nature hike at Leslie Science Center.



Lauren Weinreich spies on a snapping turtle with teacher Courtney Aldrich.



Co-op Preschoolers enjoy a turtle encounter at Ann Arbor's Leslie Science Center.



Chelsea Co-op preschoolers kicked off the new school year with plenty of fun and fall activities throughout the month of October. The children learned important skills such as cooperation and patience, as they made and sampled their own grape jelly and applesauce. Getting ready for Halloween, the preschoolers went in search of the Great Pumpkin at Berry Hill Farm in Dexter and enjoyed a trip to Ann Arbor's Leslie Science Center for a hands-on wildlife and nature experience. Chelsea Children's Co-op Preschool provides multifaceted opportunities for preschoolers to explore, experiment and grow in a safe, nurturing and age-appropriate arena. With programs for 2-year-olds, 3- and 4-year-olds, and Young 5's, the Co-op has been helping children grow through play for over 35 years.

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- Old-time organ music on the Manchester Mill porch (various times)
- Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides, Main Street 10am - 4pm
- Lunch with Santa 12pm - 2pm, St. Mary's Parish Center. Admission charge for lunch.
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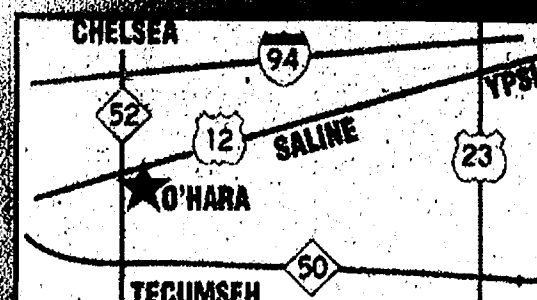
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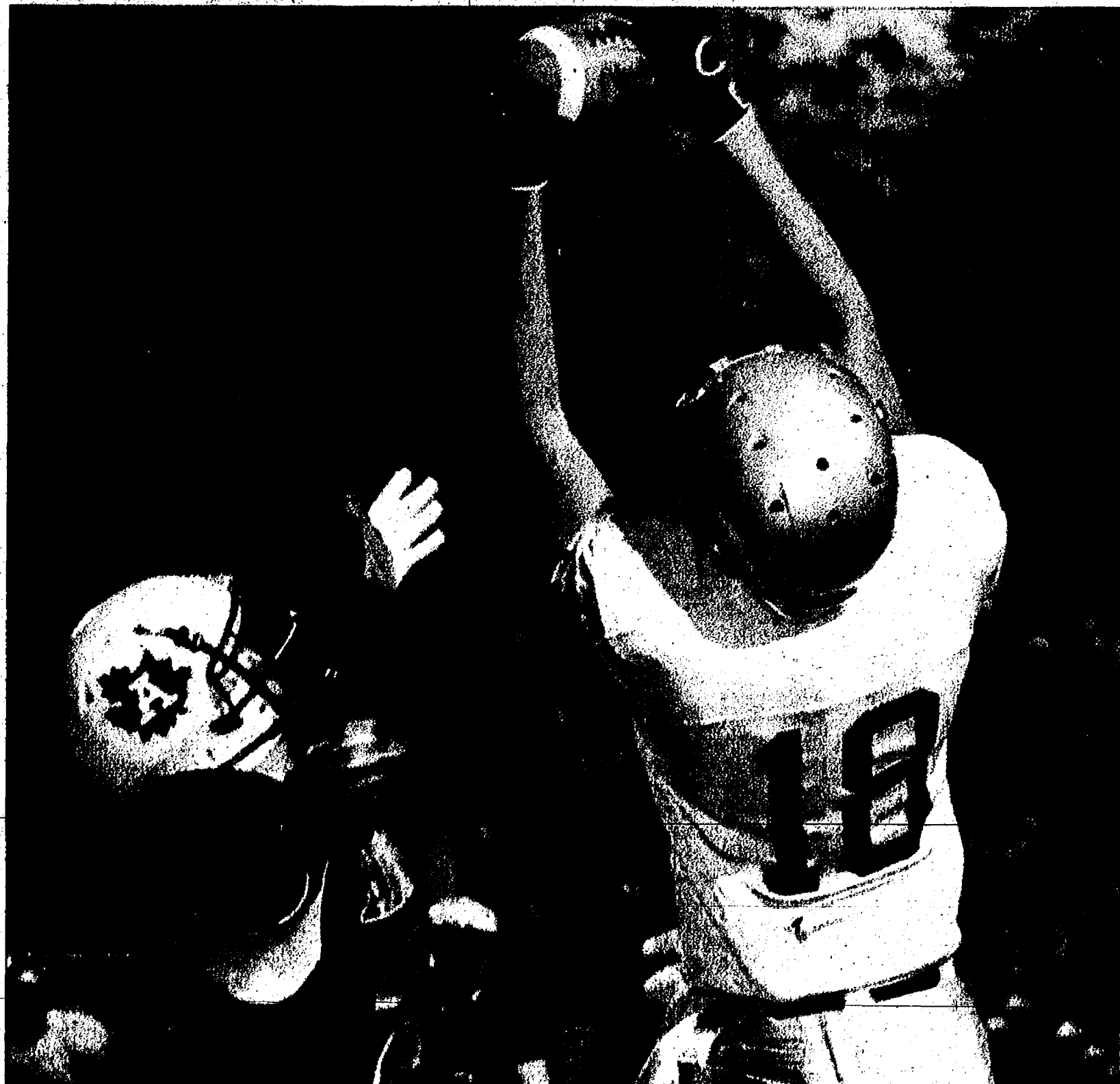


Photo courtesy of Burrill Strong

Chelsea senior Brennan Darwin reaches high in the air to catch a touchdown pass late in the game against Adrian during last Friday's district final.

Bulldogs lose to Maples

Chelsea's post-season run ends on Adrian's field

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

On most nights, when Chelsea out-gains its opponent on offense and returns a fumble on defense for a touch-down, one can rest assured the Bulldogs will win the game.

Last Friday night, however, wasn't one of those "most night" games.

Instead, Chelsea lost to host Adrian 30-20 in a Division 3 state district final at a packed Maple Stadium.

With the loss, the Bulldogs ended their season with an overall record of 8-3. Adrian (10-1) next travels to DeWitt (11-0) for a Division 3 regional final match-up Friday at 7 p.m.

"I don't think we played very well on offense," said Chelsea coach Brad Bush. "And I think a lot of that had to do with Adrian. We had two shots at them and they beat us both times. I thought defensively we battled hard. But they outplayed us and got up on us and it was too tough to come back."

Adrian coach Phil Jacobs said he was proud of his team's effort against Chelsea.

"It can be done," he said of beating the Bulldogs twice in one season. "Two years



Photo courtesy of Burrill Strong

Bulldog senior linebacker Evan Grau tackles Adrian senior quarterback Drew Collins in last Friday's district championship game.

ago they got us twice and we kind of fed off of that and said it could be done. Our whole game plan was to make them one-dimensional. If they were going to beat us, they were going to beat us through the air. We put one extra guy in the box. The key was to tackle him (Chelsea All-State senior halfback and Michigan State University recruit Nick Hill) for all four quarters."

Chelsea's contest against the Maples

started out poorly and only became worse as the first quarter wore on.

To begin the game, five plays into the Bulldogs' opening drive, Maple junior defensive back Matt Vallade intercepted a pass and returned the ball to the Chelsea 39-yard line.

Six plays later, Adrian senior kicker Mikale Perez booted a 21-yard field goal

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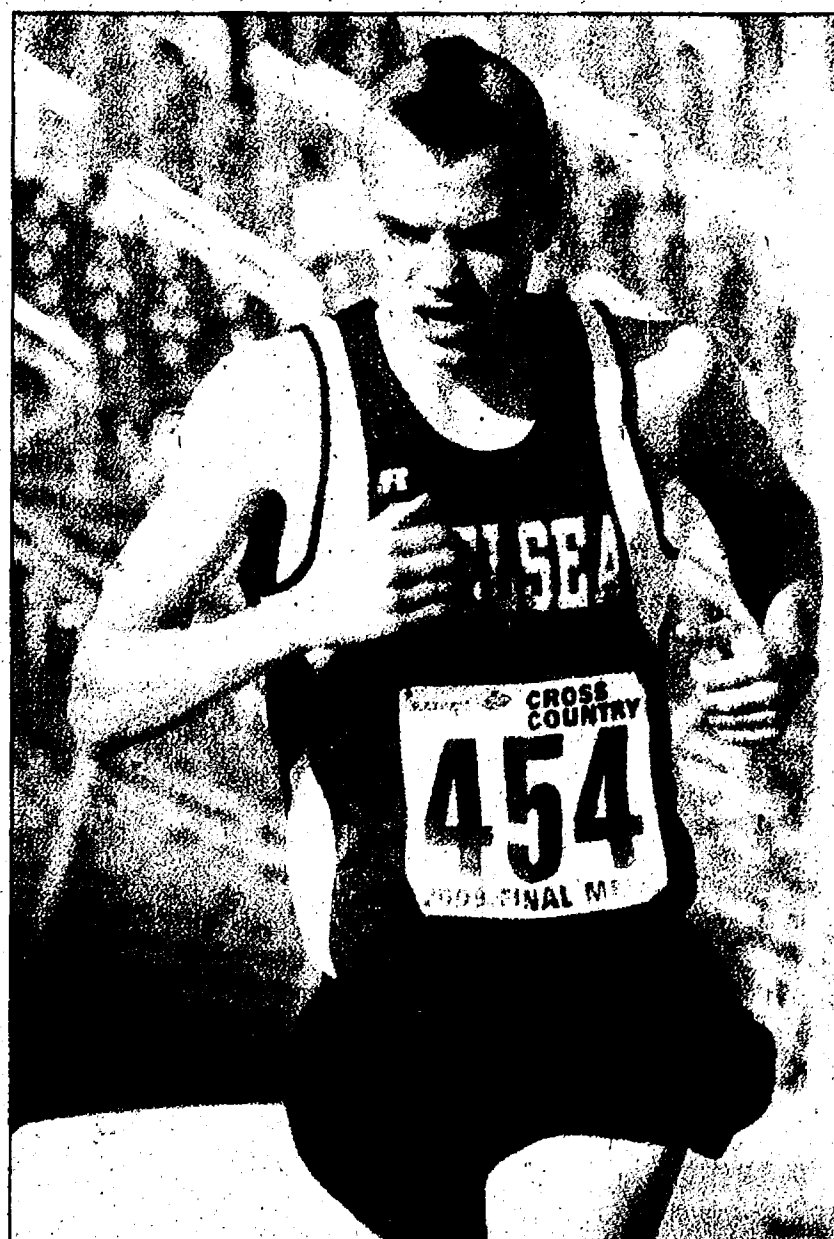


Photo by Hiroshi Onuma

Chelsea junior August Pappas finished fourth at last Saturday's Division 2 cross country state meet at Michigan International Speedway.

Chelsea 16th at Division 2 state meet

Bulldogs finish season with All-State runners

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea's boys' cross country team finished 16th overall at last Saturday's Division 2 state meet at Michigan International Speedway.

The Bulldogs ended up with 413 points.

Winning the state title was Ionia with 92 points.

Rounding out the state's top five were Dexter in second place with 184 points, Flint Powers Catholic in third place with 201 points, Grand Rapids West Catholic fourth with 204 points and Vicksburg fifth with 217 points.

Placing first individually in the state was senior Christopher Burns of Pontiac Notre Dame Prep with a time of 15:47.8.

"We finished about where we expected as a team," said Chelsea coach Eric Swager.

"The course ran very slow due to the soft footing and headwind in the final mile. Also, our runners three through seven experienced a letdown after such a

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great regional meet."

Leading the Bulldogs individually last Saturday was junior August Pappas who finished fourth in the state with a clocking of 16:03.8. Pappas was the fastest junior at the state meet.

Sophomore Bryce Bradley crossed the line 19th with a time of 16:27.2. Bradley was the No. 1 sophomore runner in the Division 2 final race.

"August and Bryce were outstanding," Swager said. "Both earned All-State honors. This is the first time in 15-plus years that Chelsea had two All-State cross country boys."

Swager said Pappas ran a competitive and aggressive race.

"He seized the lead and pushed the pace during the middle mile," he said. "This tactic thinned down the lead pack to only four. Unfortunately, that left him (Pappas) without sufficient mojo in the final 1,200 meters. Still, he is the top non-senior in Division 2, which bodes well for next year."

Swager said he was pleased with Bradley's effort at the state final.

"Bryce ran nearly perfect

PLEASE SEE MEET/4-B

Triveline named to All-State team



Chelsea freshman Gabrielle Triveline was named to the Division 3 All-State first team this past season.

By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea freshman Gabrielle Triveline had quite a first year of high school golf.

Last month, Triveline was named first team Division 3 All-State. A first team All-Region team selection, as well, Triveline was the only freshman named to the state's top squad.

Triveline is the first freshman in Chelsea history to be named to the All-State girls' golf team.

Triveline helped lead the Bulldogs to a 15th-place finish at the Division 3 state match this season.

In quad competitions this year, Triveline was a three-time medalist and a two-time runner

GOLF

up this year.

An All-Southeastern Conference selection, Triveline placed sixth at the state regional tournament.

Rounding out the 17-member Division 3 All-State team were seniors Kristina Bosch of Holland Christian, Nikki Bouwens of Cedars Springs, Elizabeth Dawkins of Big Rapids, Heather Marks of Grand Rapids South Christian, Anette Silas of Milan, Rae Reinhart of Grand Rapids South Christian and Taylor Sikkenga of Whitehall.

Juniors named to the All-State team were Kelsey Carney

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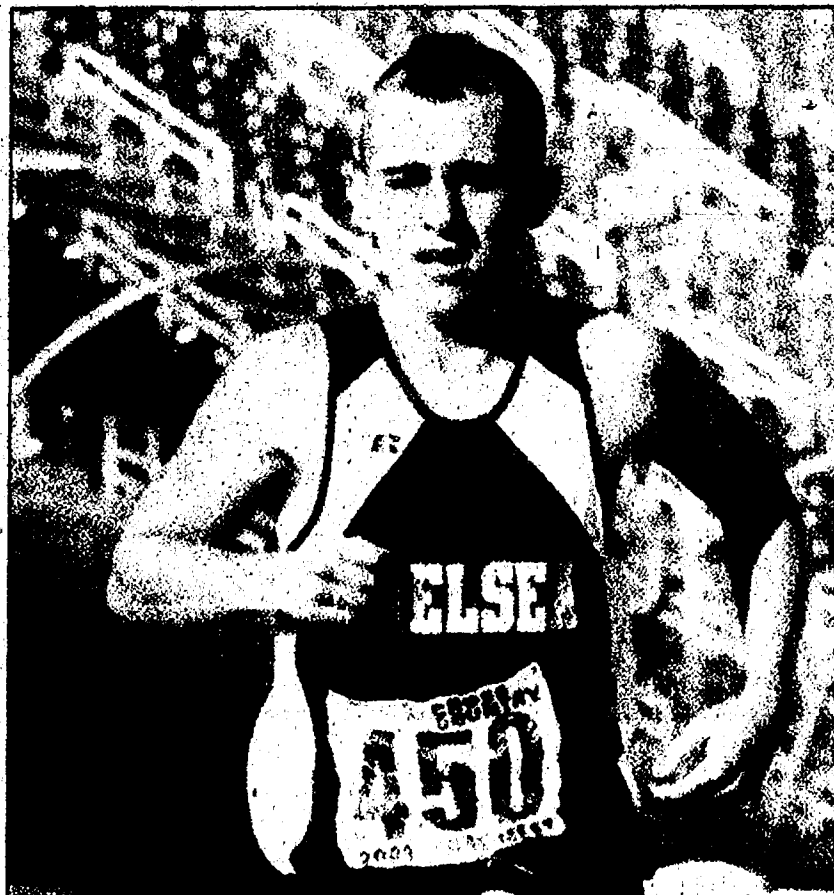


Photo by Hiroshi Onuma

Bulldog sophomore Bryce Bradley placed 19th at last Saturday's state meet. For his effort, he was named All-State.

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:

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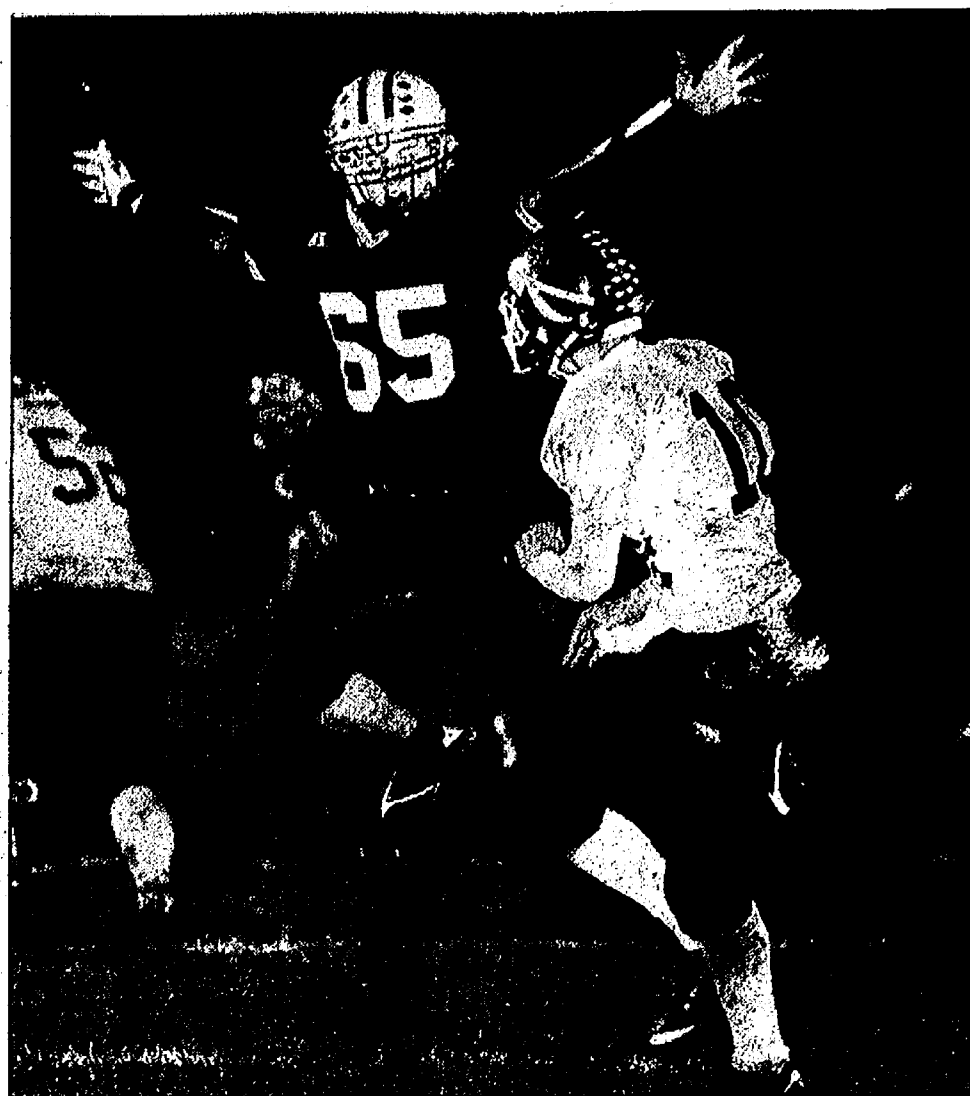
Ed Patino

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This Week's Games

Manchester at SMCC	SMCC	SMCC	Manchester	SMCC	SMCC
Michigan at Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin
Michigan State at Purdue	Purdue	Purdue	MSU	MSU	MSU
Lions at Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
Island at Central Mich.	Central	Central	Central	Central	Central
Western Mich. at Eastern Mich.	Western	Western	Western	Western	Western
Oliver at Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College	Adrian College
Canton at Detroit CC	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central
Last Week's Record	8-2	8-2	8-2	9-1	8-2
Overall Record	82-28	79-31	81-29	83-27	84-26



Enterprise file photo
Manchester line-backer Kevin Mulcare jumps at Grass Lake quarterback Mason Finch during the teams' game Oct. 9. The Dutchmen are still alive in the Division 6 state playoffs.

Dutch last team standing

And then there was one. With last week's losses by Ann Arbor Pioneer and Chelsea, the Heritage Newspapers-West coverage area is down to its final team in the Michigan High School Athletic Association's 2009 state football playoffs.

The Flying Dutchmen (10-1) are the last area team standing. Manchester, which defeated Clinton 11-0 in the Division 6 district final at Adrian College last Friday, is the lone squad left carrying the Heritage Newspapers-West banner.

May the force be with the Flying Dutch.

For Manchester, that force has been its defense, as of late.

In last Friday's shutout of Clinton (9-2), the Dutch overwhelmed the Redskins' offense. High-powered Clinton, which entered the district final on a 9-game win streak, was completely shut down by Manchester.

Behind a front seven that owned the line of scrimmage, the Flying Dutch held the Redskins to 63 total yards of offense last Friday night, including negative 45 yards rushing. Yes, **NEGATIVE** 45 yards rushing.

To make matters worse for Clinton, whose only other loss on the season came against Manchester in Week 1 20-14, the Dutch also recorded five sacks and forced two turnovers, including one fumble recovery and one interception against

the Redskins. The mighty Manchester defense also combined for eight tackles for losses.

It appears the Flying Dutchmen last Friday spent more time in Clinton's backfield than the Redskins' quarterback.

With quickness and size along the front seven, Manchester has controlled the trenches for most of the season.

Manchester travels to Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central (10-1) for a regional final match-up, or state quarterfinal game for you old-schoolers out there, Friday at 7 p.m. If successful against the Falcons, the Flying Dutchmen would play the winner of Constantine (9-2)-Bronson (9-2) in the state semifinals Nov. 21 at a site to be determined.

The 2-day state finals are Nov.

27 through 28 at Ford Field in downtown Detroit. The Division 6 state title game is scheduled for Nov. 27 at 4:30 p.m.

Manchester last made it to the state final in 1993 when it lost to Iron Mountain, from the Upper Peninsula, 28-8.

Friday, SMCC better be ready for a war up front. The Falcons' lone loss this season was in Week 1 to Detroit Crockett 32-26. The Rockets (10-1) are still alive in the Division 3 state playoffs.

Crockett will host Orchard Lake St. Mary's Saturday in a regional final at Detroit Osborn.

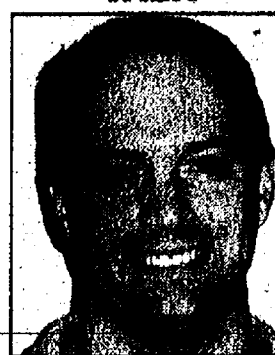
Though SMCC is strong, it better plan on buckling up in the trenches. The Falcons will definitely have to account for Manchester junior defensive tackle Dylan Neff (6-foot, 280 pounds) and junior rush end Ben Stachnik (6-1, 200) if they want to have any success running the ball. If SMCC decides to pass, it better watch out for blitzing linebackers seniors Kevin Mulcare (5-10, 165) and Brent Schriber (6-0, 185) and junior Chris Margraves (5-9, 175). The Dutch triple-threat linebacking corps has been a nightmare for opposing quarterbacks and running backs all year long.

Carry the banner high and strong, Dutch.

You're the last one standing in Washtenaw County.

Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 429-7380 or at drichter@heritage.com.

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DON RICHTER

STATISTICS & STANDINGS

Cross Country Leaders

Boys		Time
A. Pappas	Che	15:38
B. Carruthers	Dex	16:11
B. Bradley	Che	16:27
A. Vermeulen	Dex	16:42
C. Sherman	Bel	16:52
A. Gilman	Dex	16:54
T. Neely	Dex	16:54
T. McGee	Ypsi	17:12
M. Greve	Dex	17:13
K. Stockwell	Che	17:15
K. Woodyard	Ypsi	17:25
K. Wooten	Bel	17:27
J. Hewitt	Che	17:31
T. Bougher	Dex	17:41
J. Adamovicz	Lin	17:44
G. Smith-Wooloms	Che	17:46
T. Fisher	Millan	18:02
C. Birchmeier	Dex	18:05
Z. Peattie	Lin	18:14
N. Anderson	Millan	18:20
M. Kemner	Man	18:21
B. Heuser	Man	18:29
J. Pfeiffer	Lin	18:39
M. Johnson	Man	18:46
R. Fuller	Man	18:50
A. Gorkicki	Lin	18:59
S. Cone	Chel	19:02
J. Mazur	Man	20:48

Girls		Time
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K. Carter	Sal	18:21
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Chelsea senior Spencer Cone battles Ogemaw Heights senior Bob Brent as they race down the final straightaway during last Saturday's Division 2 cross country state meet at Michigan International Speedway.

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Dexter freshman Mara Bottomley gives her all as she heads for the finish line during last Saturday's Division 2 cross country state final at Michigan International Speedway. Bottomley helped lead the Dreadnaughts to an eighth-place state finish.

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Out front

Dexter's Daugherty one of area's top freestyle swimmers

By Ed Patino

Heritage Newspapers

When she joined the Dexter varsity girls' swimming and diving team as a freshman, Lauren Daugherty wanted to develop into a leader on one of the state's top programs.

Four years, four league titles and four trips to the state meet later, Daugherty has certainly lived up to her expectations.

The senior and her team will have another chance to add to the legacy Nov. 20 through 21 when the Dreadnaughts compete in the Division 2 state meet at Oakland University.

Daugherty will compete in four events during the final, swimming in the 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard freestyle races. She will also swim as a member of the Dreadnaughts' 200-yard freestyle relay and 400-yard freestyle relay teams. Daugherty also qualified for the 200-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke events, but will focus on the other four races.

"Individually, I'm hoping to place in the top two or three in each event," Daugherty said. "As for the team, we've had some injuries this year, and I'd like to see us pull through and continue to support each other, which I know will happen."

Success on the big stage is nothing new to Daugherty and the Dreadnaughts. As a team, Dexter captured the Southeastern Conference White Division championship in each of her four years, making it 12 straight league crowns for the program. The Dreadnaughts added title No. 12 to their collection last weekend when they hosted the SEC league meet.

Daugherty successfully defended her SEC individual titles from 2008 in the 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard freestyle events during the conference meet. She won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.75

seconds and took first in the 100-yard freestyle by swimming a 54.71 mark.

Her biggest feat of the week-end came as the anchor of Dexter's 200-yard freestyle relay team. Daugherty teamed with Bridget Morgan, Paige Garwood and Casey Edwards to win the event with a time of 1:40.62. Their time was just three-hundredths of a second short of the Dexter pool record.

"We didn't know about the record until we got out of the pool and saw the time," Daugherty said. "We were like, 'Wow, we were so close.'"

During her freshman season, Daugherty swam leadoff for the 200-yard freestyle relay team that set the Dexter varsity girls' record time of 1:37.47. Later that season, the Dreadnaughts finished runner up in the Division 2 state meet, an accomplishment that Daugherty views as one of the highlights of her prep career so far.

"I knew I was coming into a good team with lots of leaders in the pool," she said. "Finishing as runner up at the state meet and being a part of the relay team that broke the varsity record felt like a huge accomplishment."

Last year, the Dreadnaughts placed eighth at the state meet, scoring 101 team points. Daugherty earned an eighth-place finish in the 100-yard freestyle in the meet, stopping the clock in 54.03 seconds.

While she competes in several different events throughout the season, Daugherty believes she is at her best in the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle races. However, she also enjoys swimming in the 100-yard backstroke.

"Both the 50 and 100 freestyle are consistent and I've done well in them the last couple of years, and I always swim in those during dual and championship meets," she said. "I've



Dexter senior Lauren Daugherty is a four-year varsity performer for the Dreadnaughts. Last week, she won two individual freestyle titles in the Southeastern Conference White Division meet.

always enjoyed the backstroke because it's different than what I regularly swim. I believe the more often I swim in that I'll become better at it."

Becoming a stronger swimmer and leader was one of Daugherty's main goals when she joined the team her freshman year. She credits her upperclassmen teammates during her first two years in helping her attain her success at Dexter.

"The upperclassmen were very helpful to me and gave me a lot of motivation," Daugherty said. "They always did their best in the pool, and that inspired me to try and do that as a senior for this year's underclassmen. It was my dream to be looked up to like I looked up to my teammates."

She also has a dream to continue her swimming career

at the next level. Daugherty has just started the recruiting trail, recently looking at the University of Indiana. She is hoping to swim at a school in the Big Ten.

"I've visited some schools and I'm hoping to visit more," Daugherty said. "Indiana is one of the top choices so far, but I'm still keeping my options open."

Right now, the focus for Daugherty is on the state meet and helping the Dreadnaughts place high again. A strong finish would be the perfect cap to her senior campaign.

"It's been an amazing season, and this team is very close and everyone is included," she said. "I'm excited to see what we can do at states."

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FEATURED ATHLETES

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.



Stephanie Boyle

Stephanie Boyle is a junior on the Saline Hornets girls' swim and dive team. Boyle is one of Saline's best all-around swimmers and has been a major contributor to Saline's best season ever. The Hornets recently secured their Southeastern Conference title with a landslide win at the SEC championship meet. Saline is currently ranked No. 1 in Division 1 and hopes to make some major waves in the state meet. Boyle's contributions will include several performances on the team's relays, as well as individual races in the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke race. She holds the Saline pool school record in the breaststroke.



Heather Kiger

Heather Kiger is a sophomore on the Milan Big Reds girls' swim and dive team. She and her teammates recently won the Huron League championship, thanks in part to underclassmen leaders like Kiger. She swims in both the 200 and 400 free relays for the Big Reds in the team's "A" groups. She also swims in the 200 free for Milan, but her best event is in the 100 butterfly race. She has an older sister recently graduated from Milan High School who was also a swimmer and now swims in college. Heather hopes to one day do the same, but in the meantime she will return to the state meet and do her best to lead her team through the day.

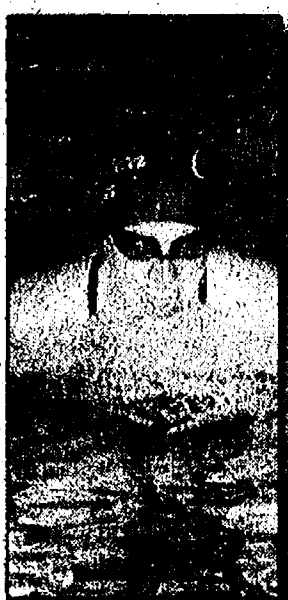
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Michelle Kellogg

Chelsea senior Michelle Kellogg is one of the area's best all-around swimmers. A dominant force for the Bulldogs, Kellogg is strong in most events for Chelsea. Last season, Kellogg helped lead the Bulldogs to an eighth-place finish at the Division 3 state meet. Chelsea ended up with 103 points. A talented tanker, Kellogg will compete in the Division 2 state meet Nov. 20 through 21 at Oakland University. Here, she swims a leg of breaststroke for the Bulldogs and has been an important asset in team relays, as well. She is also a leader out of the pool and has been a prime example for younger swimmers.

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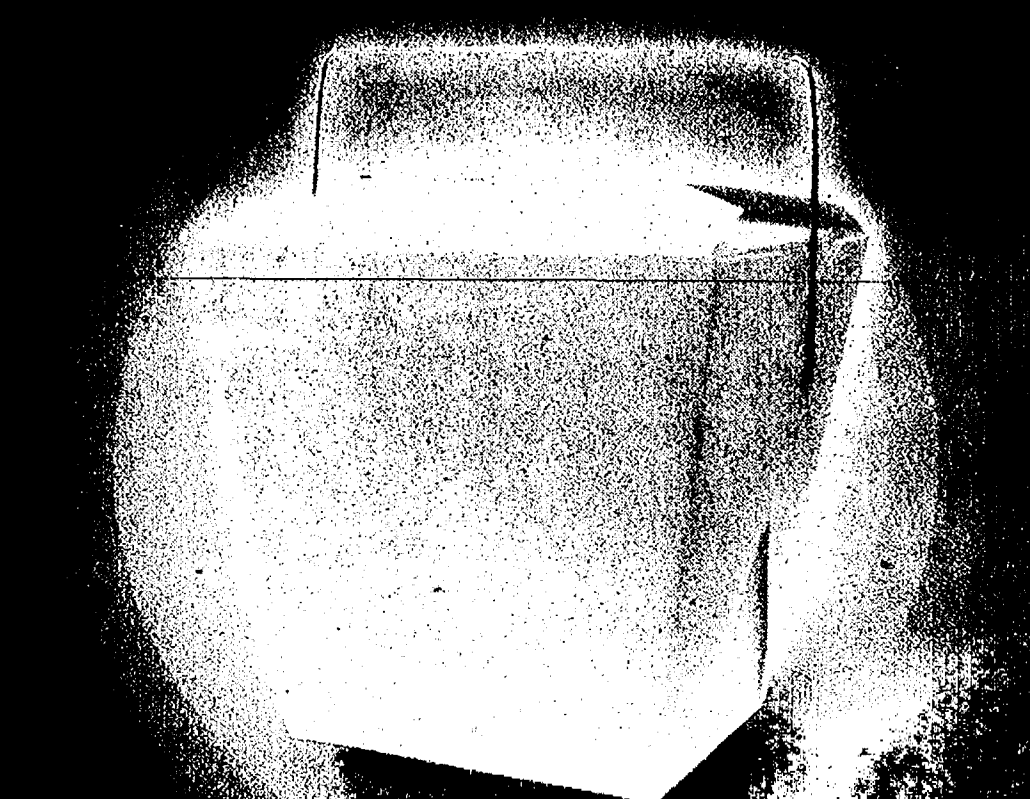
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Beach gridders battle Bedford

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FOOTBALL

Chelsea's Beach Middle School seventh-grade Gold football team lost to Temperance Bedford 22-0 Oct. 27 ending its season.

Playing well on defense despite the loss were Jacob Gaken, Mason Bailey, Jake Gingell and Zach McKinley, who blocked a punt.

Offensively, Dominick Goderis had a strong game rushing the football for the Bulldogs.

The Beach Middle School-

seventh-grade Blue football team lost to Dexter 26-6 Oct. 27.

Playing well on offense for Chelsea were Alec Blockton, Jacob Burris and Cameron Starkey.

Grant Orbring, Kolton Savery and Bryan Evans sparked the team defensively.

The Beach Middle School eighth-grade Gold football team lost to Temperance Bedford to conclude its season Oct. 27.

Leading the Bulldogs offensively were quarterbacks

Bailey Weartherwax and Scott Crews. The twosome hooked up on a play as Crews threw a 45-yard touchdown bomb to Weatherwax for a score.

On the ground, Hunter Phillips and Taylor Waggoner ran the ball hard for Beach. Waggoner scored a touchdown for Chelsea.

The Beach Middle School eighth-grade Blue football team defeated county rival Dexter 8-0 Oct. 27. The win was the Blue team's first victory of the season.

"It was a great defensive game with all the guys pitch-

ing in and stopping passes and runs," said Chelsea coach Jason Morris.

Highlight of the Blue win were Alex McDougal's 50-yard touchdown run and Luke Huemann's interception near the goal line to foil a Dexter scoring attempt and his 2-point conversion score on offense.

On defense, Daniel Wisniewski, Tyler Eckler, Trevor Branham and Jake Schaffer played well for Beach.

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MEET

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splits and moved up the whole race," he said. "He is the No. 1 sophomore in Division 2 as a result."

Sophomore Joe Hewitt finished 167th for the Bulldogs with a clocking of 18:00.

Junior Kevin Stockwell was 194th in 18:25.5, while senior Geoff Smith-Wooliams was 211th in 18:45.6 for Chelsea.

Senior Spencer Cone finished 221st for the Bulldogs in 19:02.7, while freshman Avery Osentoski was 237th in 19:43.1.

"I am proud of this whole group for yet another state finals appearance," Swager said.

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ALL-STATE

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of Jackson Northwest, Dena Droste of DeWitt, Jennifer Elsholz of Grand Rapids Forest Hills Eastern, Brittany Haight of Otsego, Soleil Singh of Grand Rapids Forest Hills Eastern and Montana Leep of Grand Rapids South Christian.

Sophomores earning Division 3 All-State recognition included Gabrielle Shipley of Hastings, Morgan Leep of Grand Rapids South Christian and Libby Berens of Holland Christian.

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Beach spikers defeat Lincoln team

By Don Richter
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VOLLEYBALL

Chelsea's Beach Middle School seventh-grade Blue volleyball team concluded its season last month with a victory over visiting Ypsilanti Lincoln.

The Bulldogs defeated the Railsplitters 25-17, 20-25, 25-15.

Chelsea coach Dave Brinklow said his squad played well against Lincoln.

"It was an excellent display of how far we've come in this short season," he said. "The way we served, passed the ball and played as a team was just a fun way to finish. They looked like different kids than the ones I started with at the beginning of September."

Leading the attack for Beach was Sarah Reiber who had 10 service points.

Katie Lee added nine service points, while Meredith Katz had seven service points and Kayla Bradley five service points for Chelsea.

Kylie finished with four service points, while Joy McCarthy had three service points and Maria Osentoski one service point for the Bulldogs.

Also last month, Beach lost to Monroe 25-18, 25-10, 25-23.

Frank paced the Bulldogs with seven service points, while Katz had three service points, Lee, Reiber and Osentoski two service points each and Hannah Moore one service point.

Beach defeated Ypsilanti East 23-25, 25-23, 25-21.

In Game 2, the Bulldogs trailed 22-18 before rallying for the win, while in Game 3, Chelsea reeled off nine straight points to earn the "W."

"I was very proud of the way they came back," Brinklow said. "It wasn't our best played match, but we never gave up in all three games even when we were down quite a bit."

Frank led the way with 14 service points.

Reiber and McCarthy each recorded four service points, while Jourdan McCue had two service points for Beach.

Rachael Yordanich, Kelsey Olberg, Elizabeth Stock, Vlada Cashman, Katz, Osentoski, Lee and Bradley each had one service point.

Beach Blue lost to Tecumseh 15-25, 6-25, 25-19.

"We're improving every

game," Brinklow said. "And that's what this is all about."

Frank paced the offensive attack with seven service points, while Lee had four service points, Katz three service points and McCarthy and Moore each had one service point.

Playing well on defense for the Bulldogs were Olberg, Yordanich and Lee.

Beach lost to Monroe Red 25-15, 25-8, 25-22.

Cashman led the way with seven service points, while Katz had six service points.

Frank finished with three service points, while Lee and McCue each recorded one service point for Chelsea.

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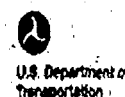
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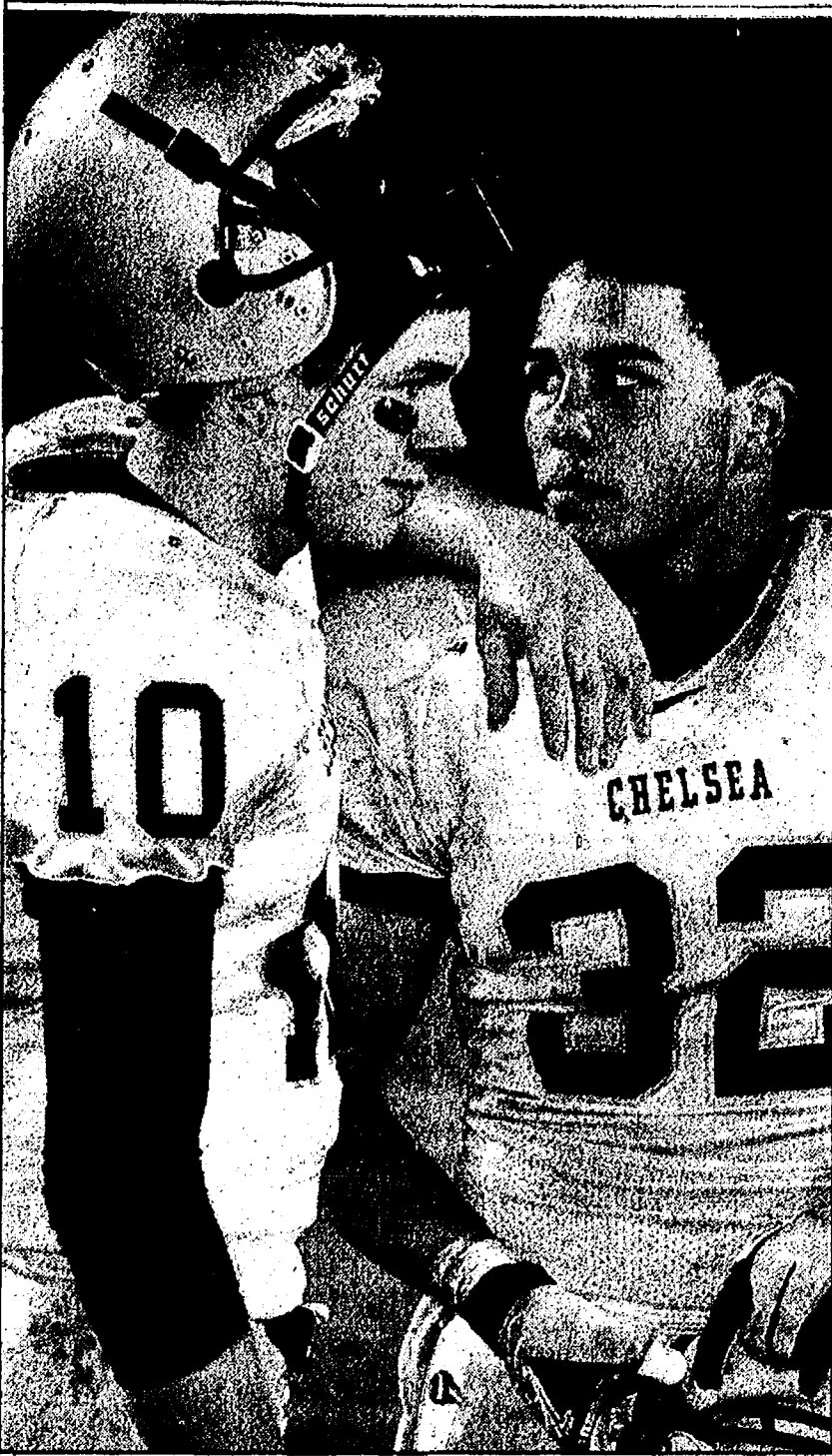


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Chelsea seniors Dakota Cooley (left) and Nick Hill console one another after last Friday's 30-20 season-ending loss to Adrian.

MAPLES

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for a 3-0 Maple lead with 8:14 left in the first quarter.

On their following drive, the Bulldogs moved the ball down to the Adrian 8-yard line before Vallade scooped up a fumble and returned it for a 92-yard touchdown. Junior Ryan Dempsey kicked the extra point giving the Maples a 10-0 advantage with 2:43 remaining in the first quarter.

Early in the second quarter, Perez kicked a 33-yard field goal upping Adrian's lead to 13-0.

On the Maples' next possession, Chelsea senior defensive back Dakota Cooley picked up a fumble and returned it for a 37-yard touchdown. With the score, the Bulldogs trailed 13-6 with 7:44 left in the first half.

Adrian responded on its next drive as senior quarterback Drew Collins connected with senior receiver Camron Moorehead for a 25-yard touchdown pass. Dempsey hit the point after touchdown kick increasing the Maples' lead to 20-6 with 5:48 remaining in the second quarter.

With 52 seconds left in the first half, Collins found Moorehead for a 50-yard touchdown bomb. With Dempsey's kick, Adrian entered the locker room leading 27-6.

To begin the third quarter, Cooley intercepted a pass returning it to the Bulldogs' 18-yard line.

Chelsea then went on a 17-play, 77-yard drive advancing the ball down to the Maples' 5-yard line. On a fourth and goal play, Cooley, in at quarterback, was sacked for a loss. The drive lasted for approximately eight minutes, but resulted in no points for the Bulldogs.

Despite the disappointment, Chelsea refused to quit. To begin the fourth quarter, Hill scored on a 6-yard run up the middle. Junior kicker Charlie Hess hit the PAT bringing the Bulldogs closer at 27-13 with 11:55 left in the game.

The Maples answered with a 35-yard field goal by Perez making the score 30-13 with 4:22 remaining.

On its next drive, Chelsea senior receiver Brennan Darwin scored on a 6-yard pass from Cooley. The pass was on a fourth and goal play. Hess kicked the extra point drawing the Bulldogs nearer at 30-20 with 1:51 left in the contest.

On the ensuing kickoff, Chelsea attempted an onside kick which was recovered by the Maples, ending the game and the Bulldogs' season.

Chelsea finished with 274 total yards of offense, including 143 yards on the ground.

Adrian ended up with 260 total yards of offense, with 147 yards coming via the air.

The Maples sacked the Bulldog quarterback four times in the game.

Chelsea had 16 first downs, compared to Adrian's 11 first downs.

The Bulldogs had the ball for 28:45, while the Maples had possession for 19:15.

Individually for Chelsea, Hill led the way rushing for 102 yards on 34 attempts. Cooley added 38 yards on nine tries.

Collins paced Adrian with 88 yards rushing on 22 attempts.

Cooley ended up 7-of-13 for 106 yards passing. Junior Brian Paulsen was 3-of-11 for 19 yards.

Collins was 11-of-18 for 147 yards passing for the Maples.

Junior Mason Borders had three receptions for Chelsea for 52 yards, while Darwin had three catches for 47 yards.

Senior Mitchell Webb had four catches for 51 yards, while Moorehead had two receptions for 70 yards.

Senior linebacker Scott Devol led the Bulldogs with 12 tackles, while senior linebacker Trevor Mattson added seven stops.

Senior Brooks Sutherland led Adrian with 13 tackles.

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DNR seeks to understand Green Bay fishery

For many Michigan walleye anglers, there's an ongoing debate about the relative merits of two Great Lakes fisheries — Lake Erie and Saginaw Bay.

But some walleye fans say it's an incomplete discussion since they're leaving a third great Great Lakes walleye fishery off the list — Green Bay, located on the west end of the Upper Peninsula's shore of Lake Michigan.

Although it's a long way from Michigan's largest population centers — and therefore, gets less exposure — Green Bay boasts an excellent walleye fishery.

In addition to an exceptional walleye fishery in the Menominee River, much of the action is concentrated in the two large bays at the head of Green Bay — Big Bay de Noc and Little Bay de Noc.

Little Bay, especially, is a destination for many walleye anglers from the northern reaches of the Great Lakes region for one reason: Walleyes are numerous.

Just how numerous? Department of Natural Resources fisheries personnel are trying to find out.

Troy Zorn, a research biologist working out of the DNR's Marquette office, has a multi-faceted study in progress, using gill nets and boom shockers, oxytetracycline-marked hatchery fish and more, to get to the bottom of it.

Among his findings thus far, Zorn said there appears to be plenty of fish regardless of DNR stocking efforts. The DNR, he explained, has been planting hatchery fish marked with oxytetracycline-mediated feed since 2004.

"In Little Bay de Noc, we've seen natural reproduction every year and the two best year-classes we've seen (in terms of catch per unit effort) have been in the years we didn't stock Little Bay with fish," Zorn said. "Those year-classes were several times better."

"Even when we stock we see natural reproduction in those years," Zorn continued. "In 2004, for example, we stocked 570,000 walleyes in Little Bay de Noc and when we captured young walleyes in our surveys, 38 percent of them were naturally produced."

DNR personnel use boom shockers and gill nets with relatively small mesh sizes (one to two inches) to target walleyes up to 2 years old.

They're finding naturally produced fish in both Little Bay and Big Bay.

"We've consistently seen many more juvenile walleyes in Little Bay de Noc than Big Bay de Noc," Zorn said. "Several times more fish are caught in Little Bay than in Big Bay."

Zorn said he thinks the differences among the tributaries to the bays may be the important factor.

"Little Bay de Noc has several nice spawning rivers with good rapids," he said. "The

Whitefish River is a huge producer. The Escanaba has nice rapids. The Rapid River has good rapids. Big Bay de Noc just doesn't have those high-gradient spawning rivers."

"Most of the rivers flowing into Big Bay are sandy and they don't have the rapids habitat. The exception is the Sturgeon, which is sandy in the lower reaches and then turns into bedrock. Whatever habitat it has is well upriver. But we've been unable to effectively sample it."

Big Bay does have some reefs that could provide spawning habitat, Zorn said, but that habitat may be less ideal than spawning streams.

"Big Bay gets pretty rough and a lot of the shoreline area gets pounded by waves," he explained. "2007 was the only year that it produced a good number of fish. Perhaps the reefs do produce, but we just don't see the numbers of walleyes in Big Bay de Noc as we do in Little Bay de Noc. In the early years of the study, unless we stocked fish in Big Bay, we hardly saw any young fish."

"I've looked at some of the old literature about commercial fishing and it talks more about Little Bay de Noc as a walleye fishery than Big Bay de Noc."

Zorn said the Whitefish River (which flows into Little Bay) has a "fabulous estuary" with lots of shelter for young walleye.

"In Big Bay there are fewer places for young walleye to hide," he said.

Zorn is trying to develop

models to assess the spawning runs. The Cedar River, west of Little Bay, produced a spawning run of about 8,500 fish in 2005. The Menominee River, farther west, had a run of about 58,000 fish in 2006.

"Good numbers of fish from the years that weren't stocked have shown up in the Menominee, so it's pretty well documented that there's decent reproduction there some years," Zorn said.

The Escanaba River had a run of about 8,400 fish in 2008. The Ford River has had a big run in the past, but fisheries personnel couldn't sample enough of it to estimate the run, Zorn said. "We're going to go back," he added.

Both the Whitefish and Rapid rivers had good runs in 2009, but Zorn hasn't finished crunching the numbers yet. "One of the issues is there wasn't any information on these runs before this study," Zorn said.

"So we're trying to figure out what the age structure of each population is and combine them with the stocking history to give us a feel for the level of natural reproduction."

Part of the problem is that past surveying efforts haven't been big enough to describe the population trends in the two bays, let alone the entire system.

"We've had a summer fishery assessment since the late 1980s in which we set two gill nets in both bays one day a month for four months," Zorn said.

"Starting this year we're

using a wider variety of larger gill nets — including some with larger mesh sizes — and we'll be fishing six nets a day for several weeks. That will get us a more representative sample."

One of the bonuses to the new sampling technique is fisheries managers will be collecting data on species other than yellow perch and walleyes, which have long been the bread-and-butter fish of

the Green Bay system. "Now we're getting data on everything — smallmouth bass, pike, exotic species such as round goby and ruffe — we've even captured a couple

of sturgeon," Zorn said. "Bass fishing seems to be improving in the near-shore waters. We're getting a better picture of the overall fish community."

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MEDIUM #23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

LIMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2009
7:30 P.M.
LIMA TOWNSHIP HALL,
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APPLICATION # 09-004.

Please take notice that the Lima Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following: "KEEPING OF CHICKENS" ORDINANCE. Proposed to be added to Article 5, Section 5.37.7 of the TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE.

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Dexter, MI 48130

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AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Item	A
Appeal Number	09-28A-710
Property Tax ID	04-02-403-025
Applicant Name(s)	Robert & Kathleen Lane
Property Address	8558 Winslow Drive

The purpose of this variance request is to allow construction of an attached, unopened deck on the northeast side (i.e., waterside) of the existing single-family home and a 4-foot fence along the southwest and southeast sides of the property. The deck size and setback nonconformity to the ordinary high water mark exceeds what was previously approved in 2006. The fence exceeds the maximum allowable height of 3 feet and has a nonconforming setback to the ordinary high water mark. Both the deck and fence were constructed without a Zoning Permit or variance.

Agenda Item	B
Appeal Number	09-28A-716
Property Tax ID	04-18-432-006 & 04-18-431-009
Applicant Name(s)	Raymond & Monica Howe
Property Address	13790 Rustic Drive

The purpose of this variance request is to add a new basement and waterside walkout under the existing home, a new waterside entry to the home, and an extension of the house's waterside deck. The applicants also propose to construct a new garage on the vacant parcel (i.e., parcel 04-18-431-009). The existing home and some proposed changes are within the required front yard setbacks (roadside and waterside) and side yard setback. The proposed garage is within both front-yard setbacks (both roadside). This variance application request also includes recognition of existing nonconformities (lot area and lot width).

Agenda Item	C
Appeal Number	09-28A-721
Property Tax ID	04-14-400-014
Applicant Name(s)	Peter & Karen Kempf (applicant) Carol Kempf (owner)
Property Address	9763 N. Territorial Rd.

The purpose of this variance request is to move the driveway easement from the east side of the lot to the west side of the lot. This will create a nonconforming front yard setback of less than 30 feet from the west side of the existing home at 9763 N. Territorial Rd. to the east side of the proposed easement line.

Agenda Item	D
Appeal Number	09-28A-722
Property Tax ID	04-01-108-040 & 04-01-180-010
Applicant Name(s)	Howard & Pamela Joli (owners and applicants)
Property Address	8596 (parcel -040) & 8597 (parcel -010) Portage Lake Blvd.

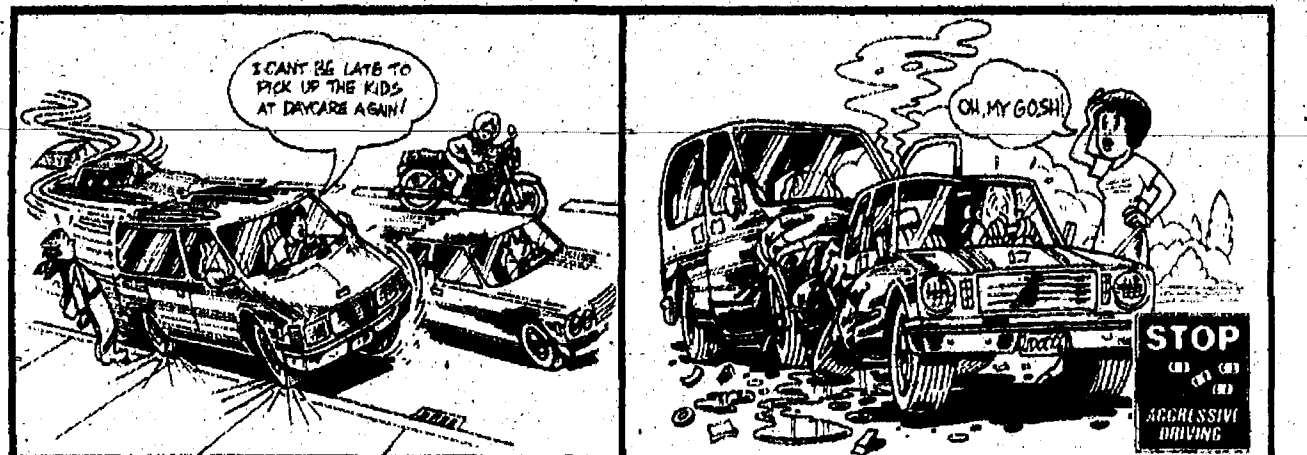
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Agenda Item	E
Appeal Number	09-28A-723
Property Tax ID	04-01-108-040 & 04-01-180-053
Applicant Name(s)	Angie Mac Wain & George Speal (owners and applicants)
Property Address	8596 (parcel -040) & no address (parcel -053) Portage Lake Blvd.

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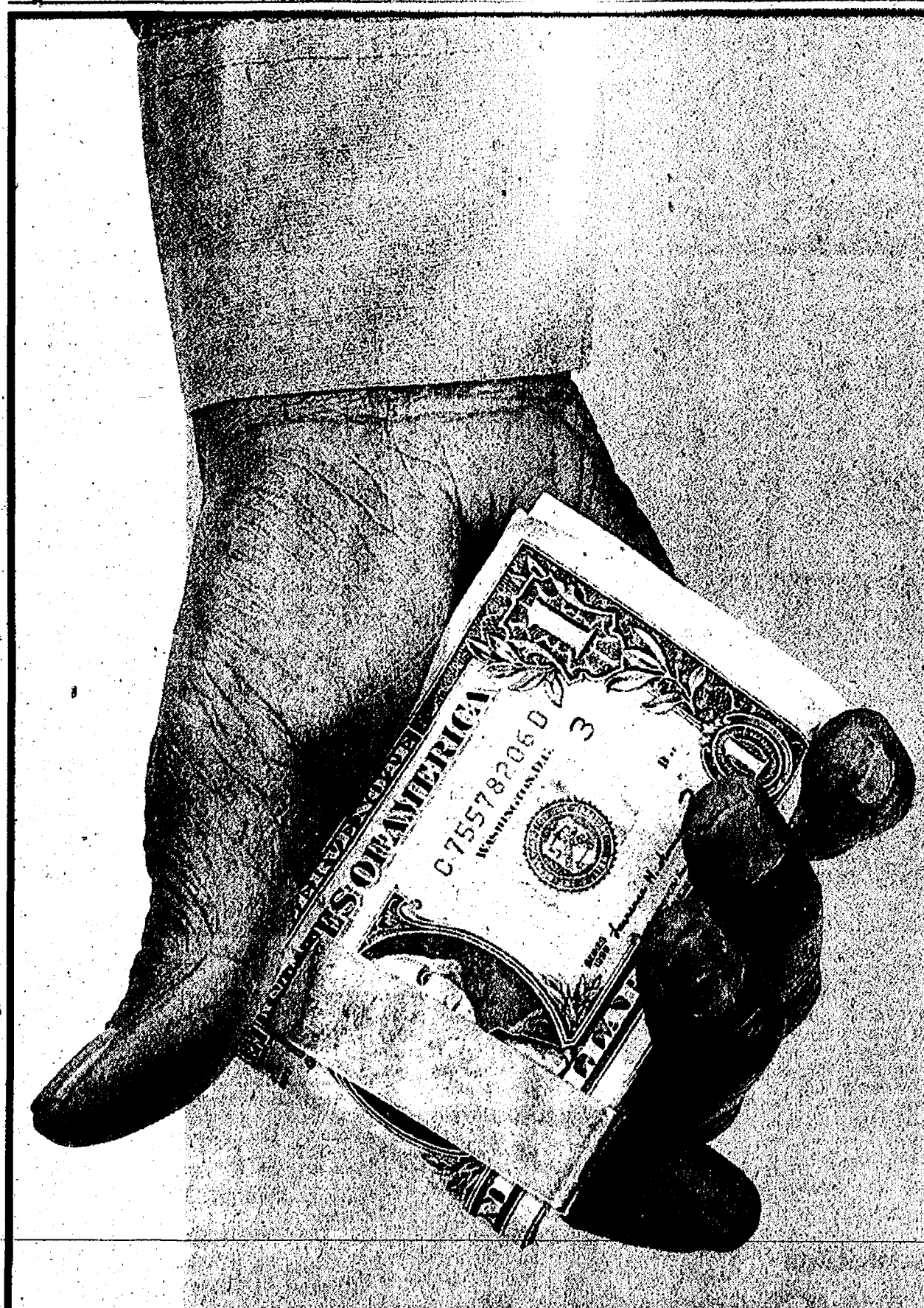
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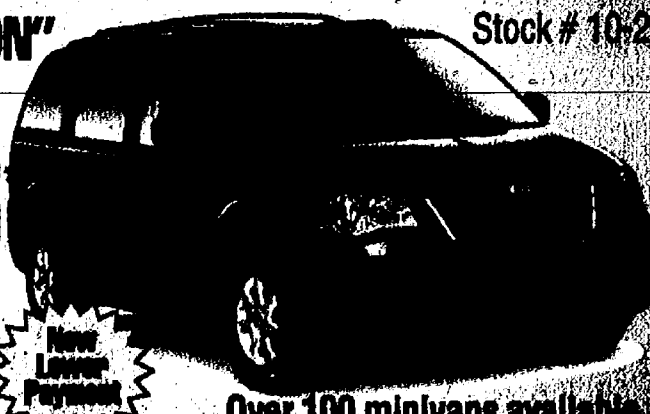
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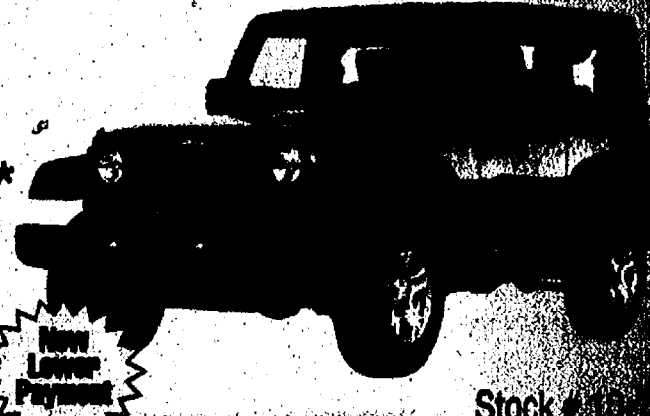
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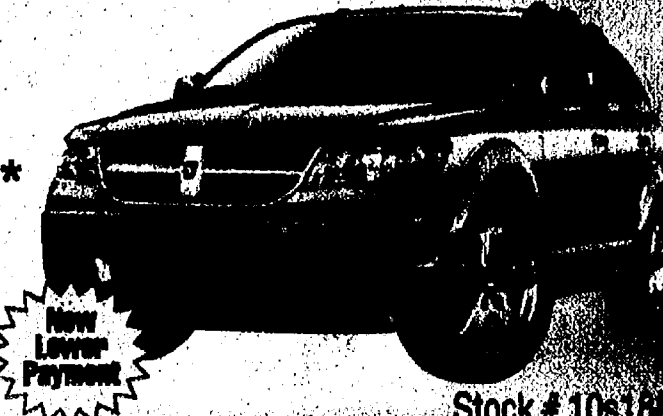
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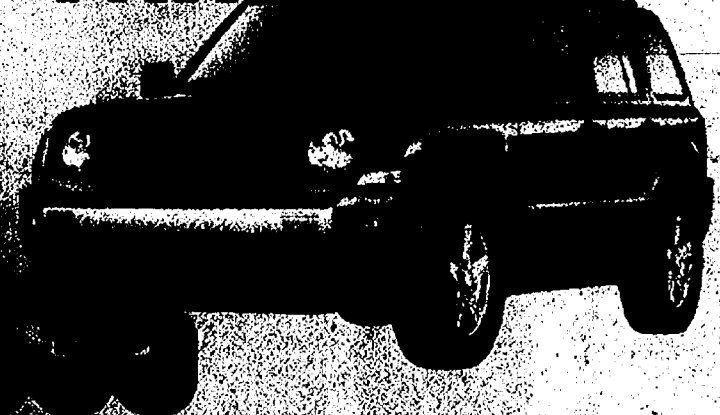
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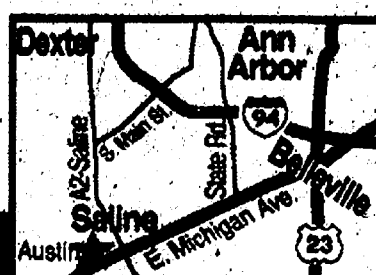
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And the winners are... SRSly students show their creative side

To celebrate Red Ribbon Week and promote a fun and drug-free lifestyle, SRSly asked Chelsea students to answer the question, "What's your anti-drug?" during the week of Oct. 19-23. More than 400 students entered the

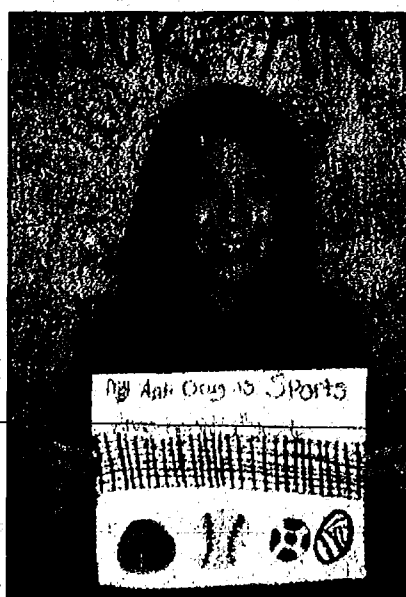
contest by submitting posters, stories, poems and other media showing what is important to them, and what helps them stay drug-free. Contest winners each received passes to Chelsea Lanes for bowling for two.

"What's your anti-drug?" murals are on display at South Meadows and Beach Middle School. For more information, and to see pictures of anti-drug media entries, go to srslychelsea.org.

Fifth-graders

Carly Critchfield
Kaitlyn B.
Nicole Bareis
Sean Wright
Anna Knight

Nicholas Koch
Anna Vanneste
Natasha McElrath and Hanna
Elsa Ford



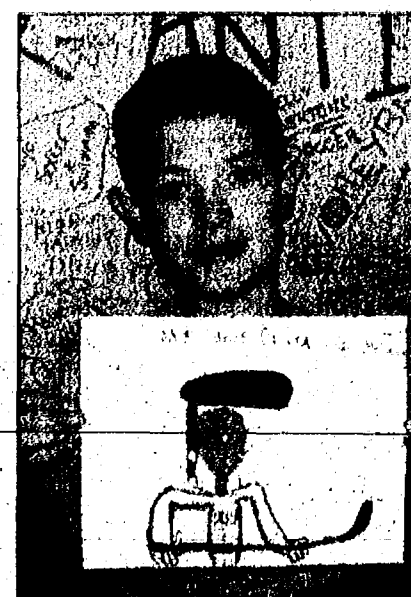
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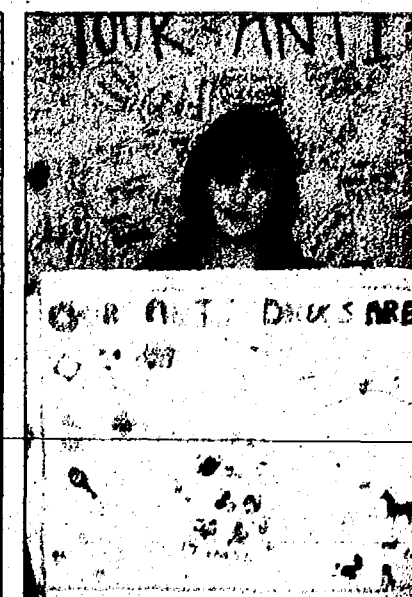
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Hanna and Natasha



Elsa Ford and Carly Critchfield



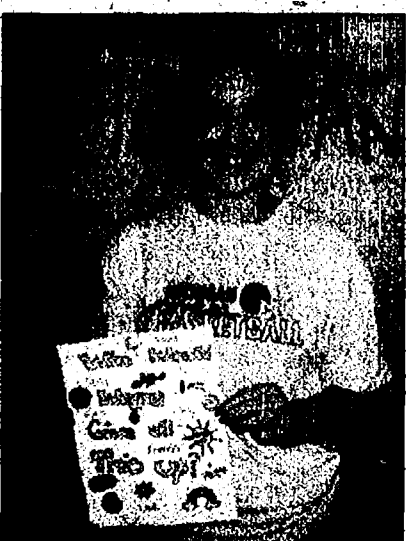
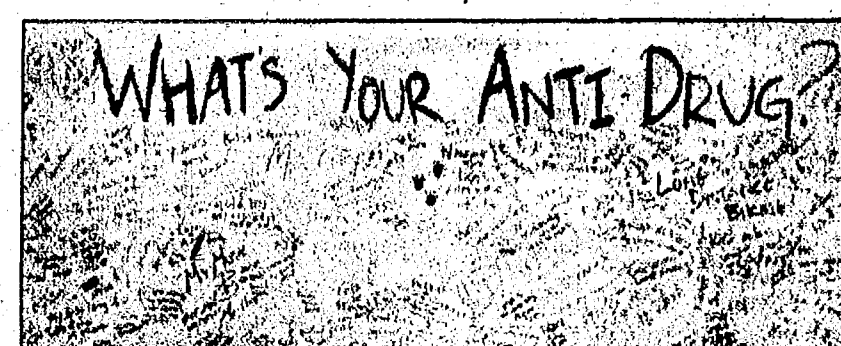
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Colleen McDevitt
Katherine Moise
Sarah Mesko
Rosie Hintzen
Rose Sanville
Alayna Schweda-

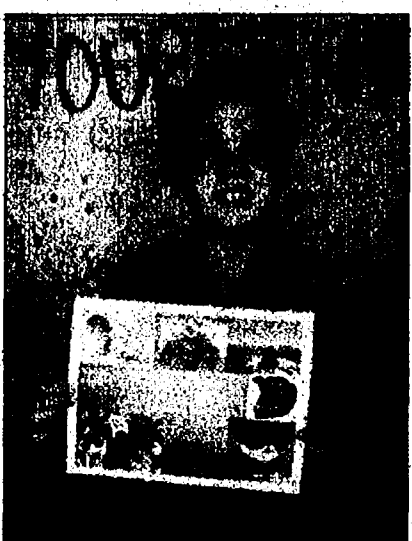
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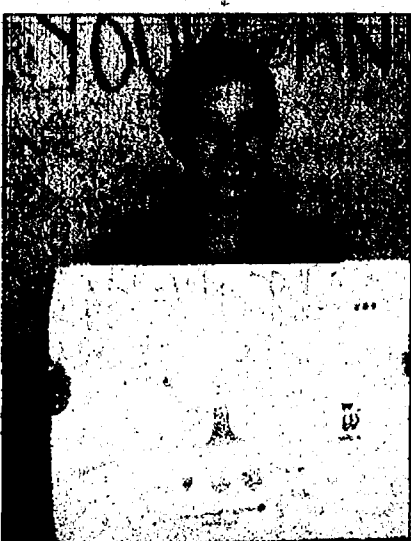
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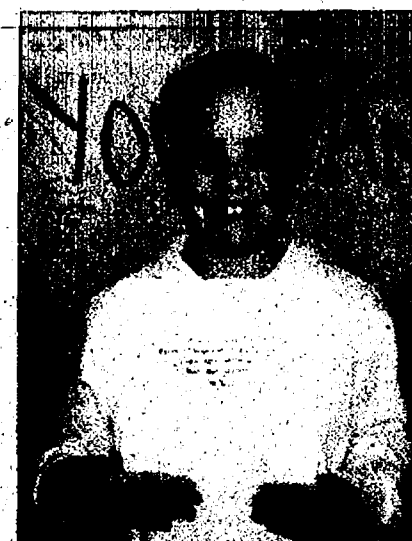
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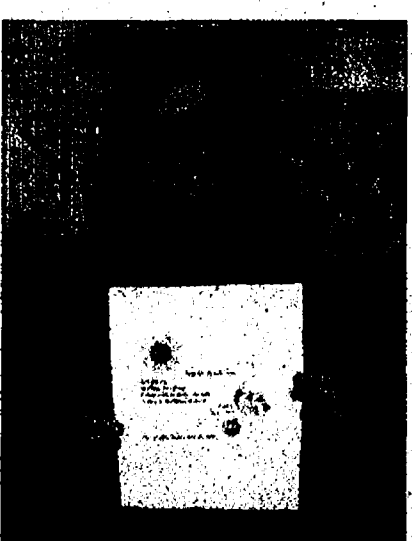
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November 12, 2009

Opera to feature 'Figaro'

The University of Michigan University Opera Theatre will present Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's and Lorenzo da Ponte's comic masterpiece "The Marriage of Figaro."

"Figaro" plays 7:30 p.m. Thursday, and 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, as well as 2 p.m. Sunday at the Power Center in Ann Arbor. The production will be sung in Italian, with projected English translations and is double cast.

Associate professor of music Robert Swedberg directs and Kenneth Kiesler, director of orchestras and professor of conducting, conducts the University Symphony Orchestra.

"The Marriage of Figaro" was the first collaboration between Mozart and librettist da Ponte. Born in 1756, Mozart was considered a child prodigy and is credited with 15 operas, 50 symphonies, 25 piano concertos, and 23 string quartets. Some of his opera works were considered too advanced for his day as he transcended 17th and early 18th century forms. His pieces portrayed novel characters of greater complexity, were set in realistic rather than mythological situations, and featured music that was shaped to support the drama instead of being a standard form. Mozart died at the age of 35 in 1791 at the height of his operatic success.



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In contrast, librettist Lorenzo da Ponte was an Italian adventurer who, by the time of his connection with Mozart, had attempted to make a living as a poet, priest and teacher with scandal following him from Italy to Austria. When da Ponte was appointed Poet to the Italian Theatre by Austria's Emperor Joseph II in 1782, he had never written a play. Despite his inexperience, he was soon working with the top composers of the period including Antonio Salieri and Martin

Soler.

"Figaro" is based on a comedy by Pierre Beaumarchais. Mozart suggested that they adapt the work to da Ponte, a risk for both young artists. Their operatic adaptation greatly edited Beaumarchais' play to gain approval from the emperor. "The Marriage of Figaro" premiered at the Burgtheater in Vienna May 1, 1786.

Ticket prices for "The Marriage of Figaro" are \$24 and \$18 reserved seating with students only \$9 with student identification. Tickets are available in person at the League Ticket Office, located within the Michigan League.

Tickets also may be ordered online at www.music.umich.edu. The Power Center is located at 121 N. Fletcher St. in Ann Arbor.

Encore Theatre to present 'Annie'

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

The Encore Musical Theatre Company is kicking off the holiday season with its upcoming production of the family musical "Annie" by Martin Charnin,

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Charles Strousse and Thomas Meehan, and directed by Barbara F. Cullen.

Set in 1933 on Manhattan's lower east side during the Great Depression and based on the comic strip "Little Orphan Annie" by Harold Gray, this musical follows an 11-year-old orphan girl and her dog, Sandy, as she attempts to find her parents to escape the horrible Miss Hannigan, the matron of the orphanage after being invited to spend Christmas with New York billionaire Oliver Warbucks.

The cast of "Annie" features professional actors from New York and Michigan. University of Michigan alum and New York actress Liz Griffith stars as Grace. She appeared in The Encore's production of

Fast Facts

Performance Dates:
Friday, Nov. 27, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 28, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 29, 3 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 4, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 5, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 6, 3 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 10, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 11, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 12, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 13, 3 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 17, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 18, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 19, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Tickets:
Adults, \$28
Seniors (55 and older), \$25
Students (under 18), \$25
Groups (10 and older), \$22
Cabaret Night (Dec. 12 & p.m.), add \$10

"Oklahoma" as Laurey, and most recently appeared at New York City's Carnegie Hall in "Kristina: A Concert Event and Showboat." Michigan

actress Diane Hill stars as Miss Hannigan. Her many credits include roles at Purple Rose Theatre, Meadowbrook Theatre, The JET and The Gem.

"Annie" can be seen on The Encore stage Nov. 27 through Dec. 19. There will be one weekday matinee 3 p.m. Dec. 17. Lunch packages are available for this performance only.

The Encore's Cabaret Night will follow the Dec. 12 performance of "Annie."

Tickets for the 8 p.m. Dec. 12 performance are an extra \$10 and include "Annie" and The Encore Cabaret, as well as wine and appetizers served immediately following the performance.

The Encore Cabaret will feature stars of The Encore stage singing their favorites from Broadway and beyond.

Tickets for all shows are on sale now and may be purchased by visiting theencoretheatre.org or by calling 1-734-288-6200.

The Encore Musical Theatre Company is located at 3126 Broad St. Dexter.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

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Comets: Icy Visitors from Afar

2 p.m. Saturday, make a miniature comet. Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road, Chelsea. Pre-registration requested. Free. \$6 vehicle entry fee. 475-3170.

Cedar Lake Esker Outing

10 a.m. Sunday, Huron Valley Sierra Club outdoorsman Barry Lonik leads a 4-mile hike. Cedar Lake Recreation Center, Cedar Lake Road, Chelsea. Free. 477-5715.

Creatures of the Night

2 p.m. Sunday, staff display live nocturnal birds and discuss habits and adaptations to the dark. Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road, Chelsea. \$2 (family, \$5). \$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.

Artist Jan Dorer

Chelsea Gallery will host "Celebrate" an opening reception from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday 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, 10 a.m. to noon, at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., Chelsea, through Dec. 19. Call 433-2208, ext. 6042.

'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 chelseaarts.org.

centerforthearts.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 Cafe, 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 playground, 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 N. 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.zouzouscave.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.

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Harvest Happenings Dance Party

8 p.m. to midnight Nov. 20, Parents Without Partners event at Zal Gaz Grotto Club, 2070 West Stadium, Ann Arbor. Admission \$8, members and guests \$6. Cash bar. Orientation for prospective members 7:30 p.m. Visit www.aapwp.org, or call 433-1668.

Holiday Craft & Bake Sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 21, Saline Senior Center, 7190 N. Maple Road, Saline. Free admission. Food available. Vendor raffle. Call 429-9274.

Family Dance

2 to 4 p.m. at the Pittsfield Union Grange, contra and square dancing with live music, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. \$12 per family. 769-1052.

Saline Craft Show

Offered through Saline Community Education from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday. More than 230 vendors, concessions, bake sale and raffle. Saline Middle School, 7190 N. Maple Road, Saline. \$3 admission. 429-5922.

Singles Meet and Greet

7 p.m. Friday. Professional Volunteer Corps, group for single, widowed and divorced men and women. Monthly meeting, card and board games, socializing, refreshments, and plans for volunteer projects and holiday social activities. NEW Center, 1100 N. Main St. Arbor. Visit www.a2pvc.org.

Craig Brown

7 p.m. Saturday, Washtenaw Christian Academy, Saline Club O2 Launch, 7200 Moon Road, Saline. Brown will perform songs from his Christian pop album, "Heart of One." Contact Chris Rutherford at 1-888-361-9473 or crutherford@tatepubsling.com.

Ballroom Dancing Night

8 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, ballroom dancing to recorded music. Singles and couples invited. Refreshments. Preceded at 7 p.m. by a lesson. Pittsfield Township Recreation Hall, South State Street at Ellsworth Road. \$5. 822-2120.

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Citizen Planner session

6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday. Free workshop, "Strategic Growth and Placemaking for Prosperity in the New Economy." Washtenaw County MSU Extension Office classroom, Western County Service Center, 705 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor. The workshop will discuss economic situation in Michigan, causes of problems and introduce strategies communities can use to position

themselves for success. To register, call 997-1678 or e-mail thelenn@msu.edu.

Draw Doubles: Local 101 Disc Golf Club

Noon on Saturdays. Beginners paired with advanced players. Prizes. Golf discs available. Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. Costs \$5 per player; free for spectators. Requires \$4 vehicle entrance fee. Call 449-4300.

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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.

University Lowbrow Astronomers

5 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturday, look at the sky through instruments, including Peach Mountain Observatory 24-inch McMath telescope, North Territorial Road, Dexter. Free. 332-9132.

Contra Dance

8 p.m. Saturday. Don Theyken calls to music by the Sharon Hollow String Band. No partner needed. Beginners welcome. Webster Community Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter. \$8. 996-8359.

Crooked Lake Hike

10 a.m. Sunday, Washtenaw Ski Touring Club member Carole Hann leads a 5-mile hike. Meet at Silver Lake parking lot, Silver Hill Road, north off Dexter-Townhall Road. Free. 682-7547.

Holiday Bazaar

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 5, Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St., Dexter. Santa will be there 9:30 to noon. Proceeds will support Dexter Historical Society and Museum.

All about Owls

7-9 p.m. Saturday, Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission naturalist Faye Stoner gives a slide-illustrated talk, followed by a hike to try calling owls. Independence Lake County Park Beach Center, 3200 Jennings Road, Webster Township. Free. \$5/vehicle entry fee. 971-6337.

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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 younger, free). Call 657-2337.

Huron Valley Harmonizers

Tuesdays. Male singers invited to join weekly rehearsals of local barbershop harmony chorus. 7:30 p.m., Stony Creek United Methodist Church, 8635 Stony Creek Road, Ypsilanti. 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, 8975 Textile Road, Ypsilanti. Free to visitors (\$20 monthly dues). Call 480-8843.

Parenting On Your Own

10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Tuesdays. Hope Center, 518 Harriett St., Ypsilanti. Free. Call 484-2989.

Twisted Tales of Terror

7 p.m. Friday; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. 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. Friday, The Falconaires, the U.S. Air Force Academy Band, in concert at Pease Auditorium, 207 Welch Hall, Ypsilanti. Tickets are required, but are free from EMU Ticket Office by calling 487-2282.

Co-dependency

7:30 to 9 p.m., Dec. 15, presentation by Ronald Harrison, chemical dependency therapist. He will speak on symptoms and progression of co-dependency and actions to help co-dependent people to recover. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Auditorium, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. Free, open to the public. No registration required. Certificate to document attendance can be provided. Call Dawn Farm at 485-8725 or e-mail info@dawnfarm.org or visit www.dawnfarm.org.

The 25th annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

8 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, Dynamic Stage Productions presents Tony-winning musical comedy about six teenage outsiders who vie for the county spelling bee championship. Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron, Ypsilanti. Tickets \$15 at dynamicstageproductions.com and at the door. 480-2787.

Christmas Bazaar and Luncheon

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Ladies' Literary Club of Ypsilanti, 218 N. Washington St., Ypsilanti. Wheelchair-accessible. Free admission. Lunch will be offered for \$12.50. Call 483-1453 or 426-4759.

All Childish Things Episodes I-III

7 p.m. Friday through Sunday, EMU Theater Department; Staged reading of playwright Joseph Zettelmaier's 2009 New American Play Award-winning trilogy of drama about three lifelong friends, linked by a mutual obsession with Star Wars, struggling with the nature and meaning of adulthood in middle age. Each night is a different play in the trilogy. Adult language. Sponberg Theater, Ford Street, EMU campus, Ypsilanti. \$7. 487-1221.

Fall Chore Day: Neighborhood Senior Services

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, volunteers needed to work to assist with assorted chores for frail and homebound elderly people in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. Rain date is Sunday. St. Joseph Mercy Senior Health Building, 5361 McAuley Dr. Free. Pre-registration required. To volunteer or request this service, visit nssweb.org or call 712-7259.

A Puppet History of Ypsilanti

3:30 p.m. Sunday and Nov. 22 and 29, the Dreamland Puppet Troupe presents its kid-friendly marionette and shadow puppet show about Ypsilanti history, from the formation of the Great Lakes to the founding of the Ypsilanti Underwear Company in 1904. Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington St., Ypsilanti. \$5 (kids age 3 & under, free). 657-2337.

Winter Farmers' Market

3-7 p.m. Nov. 24, Dec. 8 and 22, inside the Corner Brewery, corner of Forest and Norris, just north of Depot Town. Smoke-free. Call Growing Hope at 786-8401.

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Craft Show

Nov. 21, St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville. Soup and salad luncheon. Spaces available. To reserve a table, call 697-8822 after 3 p.m.

Volunteers pack boxes of goodies for troops

Packing party aims to deliver gifts by holidays

By Lisa Allmendinger
Heritage Newspapers

Twelve-year-old Saline resident Brandon Puckett was among about 80 people who volunteered for a recent packing party to send boxes of goodies to U.S. troops.

"I do it for the troops," he said while taking a break from loading a van with more than 80 boxes of hand-packed items that will go to soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan for Christmas.

Last year, almost 115 boxes were packed with everything from playing cards to CDs, candy and Beanie Babies to personnel hygiene items, Christmas cards and magazines.

In about 55 minutes, more than 100 boxes had been filled, taped, addressed complete with U.S. Customs information inside the VFW Post 423 in Ann Arbor.

Donations were collected to pay for the nearly \$2,000 cost in postage to ship the boxes, said John Kinzinger of the Vietnam Veterans of America Washtenaw County Chapter 310.

The group has been sending packages to soldiers for more than seven years. Kinzinger says more than 50,000 pounds of items have been shipped to troops serving overseas.

It was Ypsilanti resident Joyce Vargason's first packing party. "It feels good to help somebody," she said.

For Peggy Greca of Saline, who works with kindergartners through sixth-graders at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Saline, the Nov. 8 packing party was the second time she had helped out. Church members donated 10 boxes of items and she was hard at work filling out customs forms for the boxes.

"I feel like I'm doing something," she says of her donated time. "There is always something you can do to help some-



Photos by Lisa Allmendinger.

Destiny Eadie of Belleville continued her annual tradition of sending cards to U.S. troops by helping the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 310 and other veterans fill about 100 boxes for the holidays. Since 2005, she has sent more than 25,000 cards.

one else."

Mike Malley of Ann Arbor said he has been helping to fill boxes for several years.

Destiny Eadie of Belleville is the poster child for assisting with military holiday cheer. She was made an honorary Marine for her Christmas card drive for soldiers, which has yielded more than 25,000 holiday cards finding their way into the hands of soldiers in the last four years.

Even Rachelle Sweet, the newly crowned Miss Washtenaw County, helped out by adding her autographed photos into the outgoing boxes. She said last year's Miss Washtenaw County Stephanie Fry of Saline supported the efforts and she was following suit.

Members of several veterans organizations, as well as their families and friends, pack boxes numerous times throughout the year, but the big push is for the holidays, volunteers say.

With the goodies, reading material and Christmas cheer packed in boxes ready for delivery to the post office the next day, volunteers were treated to pizza supplied by Patrick McDevitt of Mancino's Pizza and Grinders, who brought 10 pizzas for the group. He said it was his way of giving back to the community and the group, which does so much for the troops.

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



Peggy Greca of Saline addresses U.S. Customs labels for mailing boxes for the troops during a packing party at the VFW Post 423 in Ann Arbor.



Brandon Puckett, 12, of Saline packs boxes full of items for the troops during a packing party at VFW Post 423 in Ann Arbor.

Red Cross sponsoring 'Blood Battle'

This year marks the 28th annual Blood Battle between University of Michigan and Ohio State University. The battle is a two-week blood drive competition prior to the game Nov. 21.

Ann Arbor hosts the game and hopes the Big House will retain the trophy, which will be presented to the winner at half time.

Last year, Michigan won by more than 300 pints,

despite the fact that OSU has approximately 35,000 undergraduates to U of M's 25,000 undergraduates.

The Blood Battle is sponsored by the American Red Cross Blood Services Region of Southeastern Michigan, along with Michigan's Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity and the Washtenaw County American Red Cross Club at the University of Michigan.

Appointments are encouraged and can be made at www.givelife.org.

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52° to 58°	30° to 36°	52° to 58° 46° to 46°	57° to 63° 38° to 44°	47° to 53° 37° to 43°	51° to 57° 37° to 43°	46° to 52° 32° to 38°	46° to 52° 35° to 41°

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Statistics for the week ending Monday, Nov. 9

Temperatures:	
High/low for the week	68°/19°
Normal high/low	51°/33°
Average temperature	42.4°
Normal average temperature	43.4°
Precipitation:	
Total for the week	0.01"
Total for the month	0.02"
Total for the year	28.56"
Normal for the month	0.85"
Normal for the year	30.37"

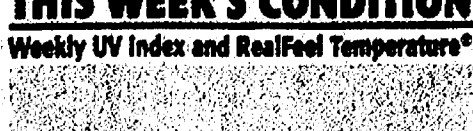
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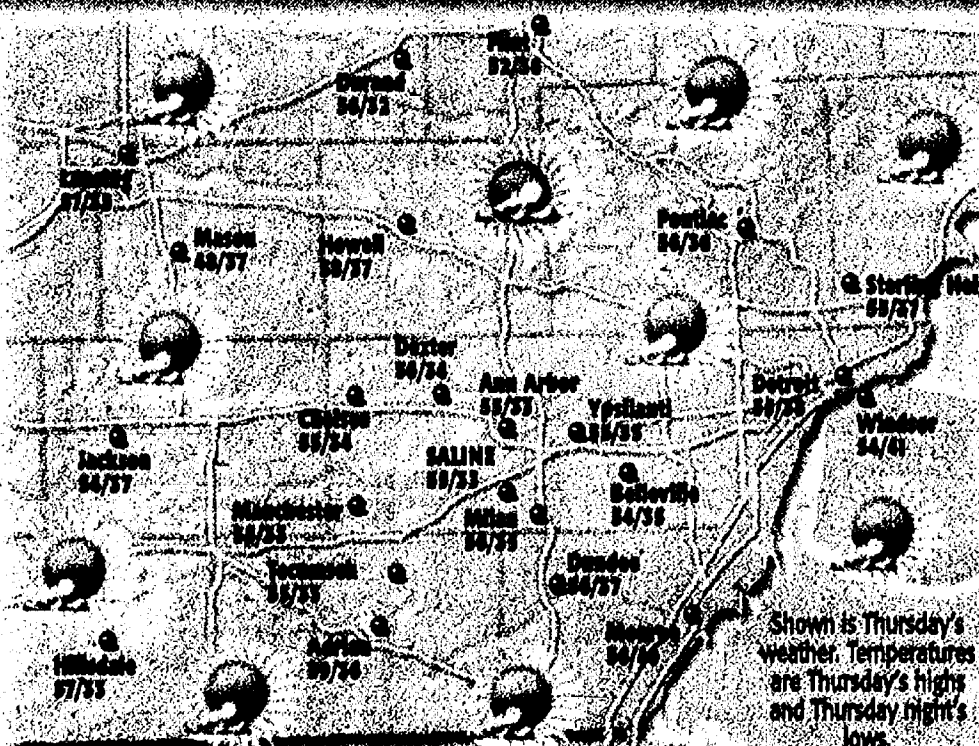
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SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Thursday	7:22 a.m.	5:16 p.m.
Friday	7:23 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Saturday	7:24 a.m.	5:14 p.m.
Sunday	7:25 a.m.	5:14 p.m.
Monday	7:27 a.m.	5:13 p.m.
Tuesday	7:28 a.m.	5:12 p.m.
Wednesday	7:29 a.m.	5:11 p.m.
The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	2:48 a.m.	2:46 p.m.
Friday	3:59 a.m.	3:11 p.m.
Saturday	5:09 a.m.	3:39 p.m.
Sunday	6:19 a.m.	4:10 p.m.
Monday	7:28 a.m.	4:48 p.m.
Tuesday	8:33 a.m.	5:31 p.m.
Wednesday	9:32 a.m.	6:22 p.m.

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Nov 24

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Dec 8

RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday	Flood stage	Current stage
Ecove Creek		2.49 ft
Dearborn Heights		
Huron River	16 ft	12.80 ft
Ann Arbor		
Malletts Creek		3.32 ft
Ann Arbor		
Mill Creek	12 ft	6.36 ft
Dearborn		
River Raisin		
Manichew		2.87 ft

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	580.11 ft	571.78 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	573.94 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Thurs	Fri	Sat	City	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Adrian	59/36/s	59/46/pc	62/43/pc	Manistee	55/33/s	54/43/c	53/38/sh
Ann Arbor	55/33/s	55/43/pc	60/41/pc	Midland	55/33/s	55/40/pc	56/40/sh
Battle Creek	55/37/pc	54/43/pc	57/42/c	Muskegon	55/38/pc	55/44/pc	54/41/sh
Bay City	54/35/s	55/43/pc	58/41/sh	Pontiac	56/36/s	54/46/pc	59/44/pc
Detroit	59/38/s	55/46/pc	59/46/pc	Port Huron	56/37/s	55/43/pc	59/43/pc
Flint	52/36/s	55/46/pc	59/43/c	Saginaw	54/35/s	55/43/pc	58/41/sh
Grand Rapids	55/38/pc	54/44/pc	56/42/sh	Sault Ste. Marie	51/38/s	48/41/c	49/36/sh
Kalamazoo	59/37/pc	54/43/pc	58/44/c	Sturgis	54/38/s	55/47/pc	59/47/pc
Lansing	57/35/s	54/43/pc	59/42/c	Traverse City	49/37/pc	56/44/c	54/40/sh
Livonia	55/37/s	56/43/pc	59/44/pc	Warren	52/40/s	55/46/pc	60/46/pc

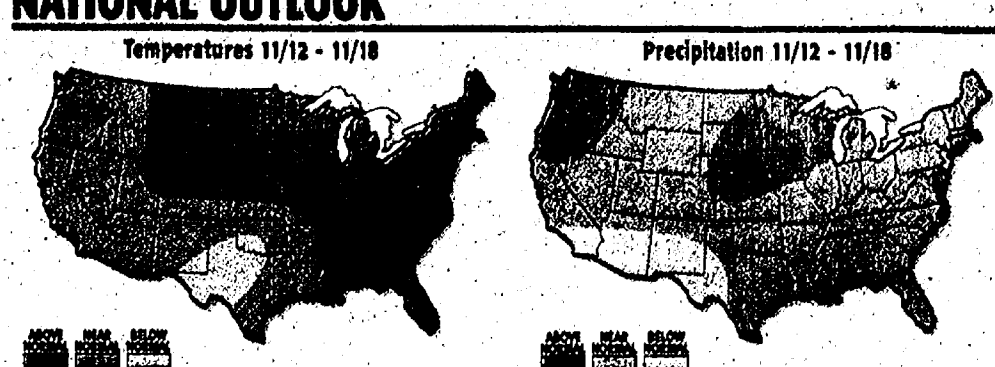
WORLD CITIES

City	Thurs	Fri	Sat	City	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Albany	64/44/pc	63/52/pc	66/54/pc	Montreal	48/34/s	50/36/s	52/43/pc
Berlin	40/34/pc	43/37/r	48/41/c	Moscow	38/23/c	40/36/r	41/36/r
Buenos Aires	85/64/s	84/60/pc	81/52/s	Paris	54/43/pc	54/46/c	52/43/r
Cairo	80/61/s	78/60/s	76/60/pc	Rio de Janeiro	85/76/r	85/77/sh	86/74/s
Calgary	35/17/s	37/14/s	30/15/pc	Rome	61/50/s	63/52/s	66/52/sh
Hong Kong	79/68/pc	71/62/c	70/64/s	Seoul	50/39/pc	58/38/r	47/22/pc
Jerusalem	72/59/s	65/52/sh	66/53/sh	Singapore	86/79/r	86/79/sh	84/77/r
Johannesburg	78/58/r	78/60/r	79/52/c	Sydney	86/64/r	77/59/s	81/60/s
London	57/48/pc	59/46/r	63/43/sh	Tokyo	57/50/c	61/60/sh	62/54/r
Mexico City	73/48/s	73/44/s	74/45/s	Warsaw	43/38/r	39/34/sh	43/38/s

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thurs	Fri	Sat	City	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Albany	57/48/pc	68/53/pc	70/56/s	Miami	82/63/sh	80/64/s	82/67/s
Boston	55/39/pc	52/42/pc	52/46/c	Minneapolis	54/39/c	49/37/r	48/33/pc
Chicago	59/42/pc	61/48/pc	56/43/sh	New Orleans	71/52/s	73/57/s	77/60/pc
Cincinnati	54/42/s	61/48/s	66/48/pc	New York City	55/47/pc	57/50/c	56/50/c
Cleveland	54/40/s	58/48/pc	61/47/pc	Orlando	73/54/pc	74/59/pc	76/60/s
Dallas	71/54/pc	77/61/pc	78/60/pc	Philadelphia	54/44/pc	56/50/c	58/46/c
Denver	67/54/pc	45/24/c	43/28/pc	Phoenix	63/60/pc	73/58/s	68/51/pc
Honolulu	79/69/sh	83/72/sh	83/70/sh	Pittsburgh	54/33/s	56/42/pc	60/42/pc
Houston	77/54/s	78/60/s	78/64/pc	St. Louis	64/43/pc	63/48/pc	63/51/pc
Kansas City	60/45/pc	62/47/pc	58/42/sh	San Francisco	59/49/c	59/46/pc	62/45/pc
Las Vegas	74/40/c	68/44/s	63/41/pc	Seattle	46/38/pc	44/37/r	45/39/r
Los Angeles	68/52/pc	70/52/s	72/52/s	Wash., DC	51/45/c	54/51/c	60/50/c

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Mayor gives inaugural address to Chelsea

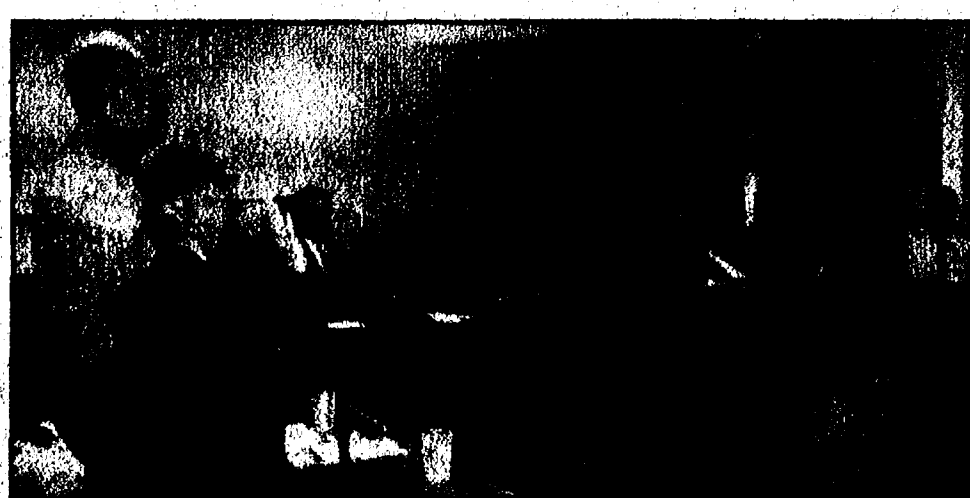


Mayor Jason Lindauer gives former Mayor Ann Feeney, now a council member, an achievement award.

Jason Lindauer succeeded Ann Feeney as Chelsea's mayor on Nov. 9. Feeney did not seek reelection and Lindauer ran unopposed. Lindauer addressed Feeney council members and Chelsea residents at the start of his first meeting as mayor. The following are his remarks:

Before we jump into the regular city council session this evening I'd like to say a few words of thanks to Ann Feeney. Ann, because you have raised such a large family you can appreciate the fact that the youngest child seldom shows up in photographs, and so it goes with me as I am the youngest in a large family.

That one of the only surviving pictures of me from my youth is of the two of us together. You were handing me my high school diploma back in 1978, when you were president of the school board.



City Clerk Terri Royal administers the oath of office to council members.

That picture serves as a reminder to me that for over 30 years your quiet steady hand has been at work here helping to shape Chelsea into what it is today.

Your leadership has served our

city well and it's a daunting task to sit in your shoes.

And something akin to stepping up to the plate after Hank Aaron hit the ball out of the park; however, since you have done such a good job

mentoring, I feel better prepared to take the helm and to build upon the strong foundation, which you have established.

Thank you, Ann. And I would like to thank the citizens of Chelsea for honoring me with this position.

I've loved this city my whole life. I grew up here. I was raised here, and I came back to raise my own family here.

I've always believed that the backbone of this community has been its work ethic and its resourcefulness. We've experienced some challenging times and no doubt we will again.

But what we have going for us is this community's commitment to come together and seek a solution that benefits us all.

Chelsea has a unique record in that its leaders, business owners and

PLEASE SEE MAYOR/15-A

JAYTEC gets city's 'ok' for tax exemption

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

JAYTEC, LLC received support from the Chelsea City Council in their pursuit of an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption at the last regular meeting.

JAYTEC is the potential new owner and occupant of the former Ann Arbor Machine building at 5800 Sibley Road.

The company seeks to finance the 190,407 square foot manufacturing building partially through the tax savings.

The company sought exemptions on real property worth \$1,530,000 and personal property valued at \$730,000 UNDER THE Plan Rehabilitation Industrial Development District Law.

The company projects more than 100 initial jobs being created or retained once their metallurgical tube fabricating facilities go online in two years. Of those jobs, 55 are retentions and 60 are new positions.

"It was great to see somebody in there putting (that site) back to an industrial use," said Mayor Jason Lindauer.

City officials had previously discussed the exemption last month and as a result of that discussion contacted the State Tax Commission to confirm the number of years of exemption given to companies under these circumstances.

City officials were also curious about whether or not the council could give extensions onto the years of exemptions.

According to City Manager John Hanifan, commission representatives said that a local government can give extensions up to the maximum 12 years under the PRIDD law.

JAYTEC qualifies for 11 years of exemption from the state.

City Council member Rod Anderson questioned an initial discrepancy in the numbers. The application received 392 points, but it was initially qualified for only eight years of exemption.

"One of the things that I was wondering; again, not being

PLEASE SEE JAYTEC/16-A

Chelsea veteran remembers



Chelsea resident Donald O'Dell was interviewed for a "Veteran's History Project" on Nov. 1. "VHP" collects first person accounts of military service that occurred during US conflicts in the time frame between WWI and Iraq. Mr. O'Dell is a decorated marine veteran who served in the Korean war. Exchange student, Felix Glaeser from Munich, Germany, recorded the interview and looked over wartime memorabilia. For more info on "VHP" go to www.lpc.gov/vets

Total Smiles office manager is honored

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

The American Association of Office Managers recently awarded Total Smiles Dental Group's office manager, Lisa Binion, their top award.

Binion was named 2009's Office Manager of Distinction after receiving recommendations from several of her past and present colleagues.

She has been with Total Smiles Dental Group for three years and is one of 3,000 members to the nationwide membership of AAOM.

"Since Lisa started her management position here, she has been responsible for implementing some great sales and marketing strategies," said TSDG dentist Kelly Ann Scherr.

Scherr says that in addition to making the office run smoothly, Binion helps people who may have extensive and expensive treatment plans with financing options made available through the TSDG.

"Our patients are extremely happy and relieved that they



Total Smiles office manager Lisa Binion and her award.

have a way to pay for their much needed dental work," Scherr said. "Often some of these people have not been to dentists in five or more years, and have a fear of dentists, and an even bigger fear of the prices for treatment."

Binion says she had known for a long time that she wanted to work "as a doctor" around patients. She has always had a strong desire to help those around her, and she says she is able to fulfill that wish at TSDG.

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Chelsea Area Briefs

Giving back

Chelsea is a dedicated and giving community. Because of this generosity, the Chelsea Hometown Holiday Committee would like to invite residents to participate in a brand new feature to the Hometown Holiday Parade on Saturday, Dec. 5.

The Hometown Holiday Committee, in partnership with Faith in Action, would like to encourage everyone to bring a non-perishable food item (no glass please) to the Hometown Holiday Parade and donate it to Faith in Action volunteers who will be marching in the parade. Students from Chelsea High School clubs will eagerly collect your much-needed donations from the Faith in Action float all along the parade route. Items especially needed are: canned meat, boxed baking mixes, laundry soap, and hygiene products.

"We feel this is a great addition to our fun-filled, action-packed Hometown Holiday Weekend," said Judy Hein, Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce event coordinator. "What's more fulfilling than helping others by giving back."

Service of Remembrance

A community Service of Remembrance will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room. This non-denominational service is open to anyone who has lost a loved one in the past year. The service, which is expected to last approximately 45 minutes, will consist of speakers who will discuss grief during the holidays, reading of the names of those who have passed away, and lighting candles in their memory.

Each grieving family will be presented with a personalized memorial angel ornament. After the service, light refreshments will be provided, along with a time to share memories and experiences. Brochures about coping with the holidays will be available.

There is no cost for the program, and pre-registration is not required. The service is jointly sponsored by Chelsea Community Hospital, Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, and Cole Funeral Chapel. Questions may be addressed to John Mitchell (475-1444) or Allen Cole (475-1551).

CHS Madrigal Dinner

Chelsea High School Choirs, under the direction of Steven Hinz, present their 18th annual Madrigal Dinner on Dec. 11 and 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Pierce Lake Elementary in Chelsea. Mark your calendars now and make reservations online at chelsea.k12.mi.us/madrigaldinner or by calling Barbara Obenchain 734-475-9211. The cost is \$25 per person.

Free concerts

The Chelsea Chamber Players will present two free classical music concerts on Sunday, Dec. 6 at 3 and 7 p.m. in the historic Chelsea Depot in downtown Chelsea. This concert will feature works by Felix Mendelssohn, Francois Couperin, Antonio Vivaldi, and William Grant Still and performed by the professional CCP string musicians accompanied by 19 local high school musicians.

A Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long will follow each concert for those interested in joining the orchestra. This program is presented as part of the Chelsea Home Town Holidays celebration and is open to all ages.

Donations will be accepted and refreshments will be served during a reception following each performance.

Visit the CCP Web site at www.chelseachamberplayers.com for complete program information.

Community breakfast

A hot breakfast will be served to the public free of charge on the second Saturday (Nov. 14) of every month at Chelsea First United Methodist Church from 8 to 10 a.m. Everyone is invited!

People who really need a good hearty breakfast, and those who just want one or who want to meet others in a friendly setting. There will be an opportunity to sign up to volunteer for future breakfasts.

For more information, contact Lynn Booth at 475-8119 (ext. 20).

Chelsea First United Methodist Church is located at 128 Park Street.

Toys for Tots

The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program will have sign-up forms available at Edward Jones, 1100 S. Main Street, Chelsea, for families who will have a need for toys during the Christmas Holiday. The objectives of Toys for Tots is to help less fortunate children throughout the United States experience the joy of Christmas; to play an active role in the development of one of our nation's most valuable resources - our children.

While Toys for Tots coordinators organize, coordinate and manage the campaign, the ultimate success depends on the support of the local community and the generosity of the people who donate toys. The mission of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to needy children in the community in which the campaign is conducted. Chelsea/Dexter drop-off locations are:

Edward Jones, 1100 S. Main Street, Chelsea.
Chelsea Chevrolet Buick, 1500 S. Main Street, Chelsea.
Wackenhut Gardens, 11511 Jackson Road, Dexter.
Chelsea Village Hardware, 110 N. Main Street, Chelsea.

'Around Town with Linda'

"Around Town with Linda" will feature "In Memory of Norm Hinderer, Farmer," 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.

A new interview begins every Thursday evening and runs for a

week. The guests all live or work in Chelsea, and everyone connected with the show is a volunteer. Previous shows are available to view at McKune Memorial Library.

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Families experience the joy of adoption

By Sheila Pursglove
Special Writer

Adoption always figured prominently in Katherine Baisden's life. Adopted at birth in Brazil, two of her sisters were adopted from Korea and a third was adopted in the United States. Baisden's husband Rob Robbins has a brother who was adopted.

The Saline residents, who adopted their daughter three years ago, are among many who have experienced the joy of adoption, and who are celebrating National Adoption Month.

When it became evident having a biological child was not going to happen without major assistance, the Baisdens started the adoption process, with the additional challenge of being older parents.

After meeting a nurse who was adopting a preschooler through Catholic Charities of San Francisco, Katherine Baisden and her husband

Adoption Resources

There are many local and national resources to help people adopt or foster children. Here are a few:

- <http://national-adoption-month.adoption.com>
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- www.adoptivefamilies.com
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- www.achildshomeadoption.org
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worked through the same agency.

"I truly believe life can lead us to our designated path if we listen closely," she says. "Our desire was to be blessed with a child in our life, and we were quite willing to accept an older child, of any race or ethnicity."

The couple spent a long time waiting for a match. In February 2004, they came close to a placement, only to have the birth mother change her mind. "The next few months we hit an emotional low in the process," Baisden says. "The adoption process is an emotional roller coaster, and the waiting is tedious."

In June 2004, their social worker called the Baisdens about a 3-month-old girl.

"Within seconds, I said yes," she says. "My only question -- was she healthy?"

That evening they rushed out to buy baby books and stayed up most of the night reading.

Less than 24 hours later, the papers were signed, and the couple learned they could pick up their baby -- who turned out to be 3 weeks old, not 3 months -- from foster care in four days.

Their "four-day pregnancy" was hectic. They learned Maggie was Chinese, weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce at birth and was very healthy.

"Maggie's biological parents made a decision that she would have a better life if she was placed for adoption," Baisden says. "I do not spend time trying to analyze their decision or motivations. I just accept this wonderful blessing of Maggie. I will always thank them for wanting the best for Maggie."

On Father's Day 2004, the foster parents invited the couple over. "What a day -- we saw our daughter for the first time," Baisden says. "Less than 24 hours later, we brought her home."

Eight months later the state of California legally determined they were a family.

"However, we became a family the moment the phone rang that June 2004 afternoon," she says. "Like any child, our daughter is the most precious, adorable, loving gift we could have ever received. Parenthood is the most wonderful adventure we have ever undertaken."

"Our lives have become enriched with Maggie and also with celebrating her cultural heritage. We're continually learning about the contributions that the Chinese people have made to the world -- scientifically, artistically, culturally, musically."

The day of Maggie's adoption court date fell at the beginning of Chinese New Year in 2005, and each year the family celebrates her adoption day and Chinese New Year together.

"We invite family and friends over as if it were like Thanksgiving," Baisden says. "We recognize this special time that our family was legally formed, and we recognize the special blessing of being able to adopt."

Abi, a gift from Ethiopia

Jason and Heather Fader of

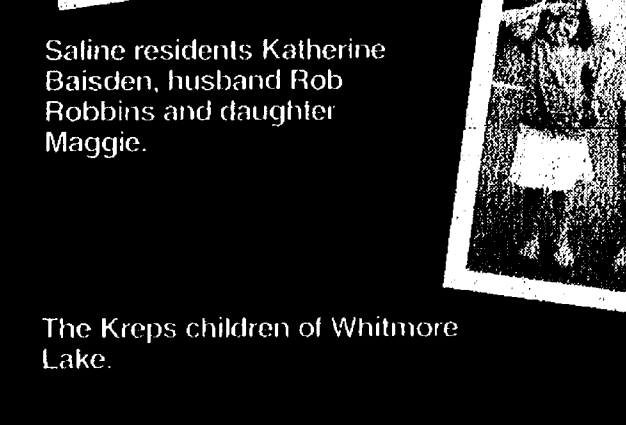


FAMILY ALBUM

Lori and Scott Hayter of Dexter with Luke, 14, Brienna, 13, Lindsey, 10, Noah, 8, as well as two adopted sons, Josiah, 4 and Caleb, 2.



Heather and Jason Fader of Ann Arbor with daughters Anna and Abi.



Saline residents Katherine Baisden, husband Rob Robbins and daughter Maggie.



The Kreps children of Whitmore Lake.

Ann Arbor adopted 9-month-old Abi in September, a sister for their biological daughter, 4-year-old Anna.

The couple spent 19 months working through Adoption Associates in Jenison and Farmington Hills.

"For many years, we've felt adoption makes sense as a practical and tangible way to give great help to someone in need," Heather Fader says. "Thinking about children without parents broke our hearts, and we felt called by God to grow our family by adopting a child in need of parents."

Ethiopia is not equipped to care for all of its approximately 5 million orphans, and there is lack of infant formula. Abi was severely malnourished. At three months, she weighed only six pounds, less than an average American newborn.

"Adoption Associates arranged for travelers to bring hundreds of pounds of infant formula into Ethiopia to help feed the orphans, and when we traveled to Ethiopia, friends from our church donated formula that we brought to the orphanages as well," Fader says.

After accepting the referral, the Faders waited another four months before being able to bring their daughter home.

"We ached to bring home this child whom we already loved, and we wept for the sickness and lack of resources surrounding her in the orphanage," Fader says.

"Yet we believed God had called us to adoption, so we continued to wait, while leaning on our faith and on our friends for support and encouragement."

The couple received support from the Orphan Care and Adoption group at Knox Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor.

"The group includes a growing number of supportive families who have adopted from countries around the globe and also here in Michigan," Fader says.

In September, the Faders traveled to Ethiopia to bring Abi home.

"The trip went smoothly, and we thoroughly enjoyed spending the week there with five other adoptive families," Fader says. "We toured the cap-

ital city, Addis Ababa, and were welcomed by the beautiful and gracious people of Ethiopia."

"With immense joy, we received Abi on September 9. Within a few days, she began to smile brightly at the sight of her new parents, always wanting to be held and cuddled. We've been very happy to comply with her desires for attention and affection."

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HEATHER FADER
Adoptive parent

Abi is adjusting well to her new family and home. She is now completely healthy and has grown to be a normal-sized baby for her age. Active and playful, she is developing new skills each week.

"She is healthy and happy, and hearing her giggle certainly helps the frustrations of the adoption process to fade into our distant memories," Fader says. "We cherish the gift of having her in our arms, and we thank God for the opportunity to welcome her home."

"Our daughter Anna absolutely adores her new sister. They laugh together frequently, bringing great delight to our hearts."

The family will leave for Kenya Nov. 30, where Jason, a general surgeon, will work at a mission hospital for two years.

"We're so very thankful to have Abi home, and look forward to seeing how she will continue to grow and develop," Heather Fader says.

"We believe God must have great plans in store for her,

since he has preserved her life after severe malnutrition and brought her into a family and community that love her deeply."

Dexter family adopts two boys

Lori and Scott Hayter of Dexter are the parents of four biological children -- Luke, 14, Brienna, 13, Lindsey, 10 and Noah, 8 -- and two adopted sons, Josiah, 4 and Caleb, 2.

The family moved to Dexter three years ago from Chicago, where Josiah was born in 2005. He was adopted through the Sunny Ridge Family Centre in Wheaton, Ill. His birth father is African American and his birth mother Caucasian.

"We have an open relationship with his birth mom," Lori Hayter says. "We've shared our address, telephone number and e-mail with her, visit her once a year and talk on the telephone three to four times a year."

"We share a mutual respect for one another, and we're very grateful to her for choosing our family."

Caleb, an African-American child, was adopted through Bethany Christian Services in Madison Heights. The Hayters did not have the opportunity to meet his birth parents but send letters yearly.

"We appreciate their selfless choice to birth our child and place him in the care of the adoption agency," Hayter says. "We also appreciate the birth parent photographs that were provided to us."

Both Josiah and Caleb came to the Hayters at the age of two weeks.

"When our adopted children entered our family, their siblings couldn't have been more excited," she says.

The adoption process took less than a year in both cases. "There were some bumps in the journey and the waiting is painful, but the reward is so worth it," Hayter says. "I like to say that although adoption is the best pregnancy I never had, the 'emotional pregnancy and labor' is similar to a physical pregnancy."

"We believed strongly that God had chosen the exact children for our family, and we had to trust and wait for that child

to come to us. This gave us hope in the uncertain times."

Josiah and Caleb enjoy being around each other and are close friends, even though their personalities are very different.

Josiah is an extrovert with a great sense of humor who loves to laugh, to be around people and who is the life of the party. Caleb is quiet, loves to watch, and likes to be held.

"It's hard to put into words the feelings of gratitude we have to the birth parents of our sons," Hayter says. "The boys are such a joy to our family, and we can't imagine them not being in our lives."

"It's obvious to us God put our family together. Some people have asked us if we feel differently towards our adopted kids and our biological kids. Although the way each child joined our family was different, our love and commitment to each one is equally the same. We feel so honored and privileged to be able to raise all our children."

Whitmore Lake couple adopt two children

Sandy and Erik Kreps of Whitmore Lake have four biological children: Trevin, Madeline, Alex and Rhiana.

In 2007, the couple discussed adoption and spent the summer praying, reading books, searching the Internet, and praying some more.

In September, Sandy Kreps called an adoption facilitator in California recommended by a friend, to get more information.

"The facilitator mentioned she had an expectant mom she was trying to match to a family," Kreps says. "Within a week we had talked with the expectant mom, were chosen and matched, and had started our home study. Within 12 days, our son Jason was born."

Jason was on IV antibiotics for a possible strep infection, for a week.

"This was one of many blessings in disguise, as it gave our paperwork time to finish up, and it also allowed me to spend a week at his bedside 24-7 getting to know him and bonding with him," Kreps says. The adoption was finalized eight months later.

"The love we feel for Jason is no different from the love we feel for our biological kids," Kreps says. "We feel so very blessed by God that he is a part of our family."

"The adoption journey was filled with excitement, stress, worry and love -- and we would do it again in a heartbeat. Giving birth is a wonderful experience, but adopting a child is a wonderfully indescribable journey."

In April, Kreps received an e-mail from a referral service about a 3 and 1/2-year-old Florida girl growing up in dangerous circumstances.

"The more we prayed and learned about Cierrah the more we felt God was leading us to open up our hearts, our homes, and our family to her -- that she was our daughter," Kreps says.

After talking with the birth mother and the child, the couple was ready to make Cierrah part of the family. By 11 p.m., they were driving to Florida. On May 1, they met Cierrah, and she joined the family.

"The transition for Cierrah into our family has been completely blessed by God. She has done amazingly well," Kreps says. "Cierrah's adoption is very different from adopting a newborn. She came with four years of history. We really felt God was leading up to her -- and pray daily as we all adjust to the many changes."

"Her adoption was finalized this month. Now she is not only ours in our hearts, but on paper, too."

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Thousands turn out for swine flu vaccine

By Jeremy Allen
Heritage Newspapers

Four-thousand doses of the H1N1 vaccination were administered to area residents by the Washtenaw County Public Health Department at the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center Nov. 5. It was estimated that nearly 8,000 people showed up to receive the vaccine, but more than half were denied because of the limited doses and the fact that they weren't a part of the priority group.

The Washtenaw County Public Health Department said the priority group includes children from 6 months through 4 years of age, children and adolescents ages 5 through 18 years old and who have medical conditions associated with a high risk of influenza complications, and health care and emergency medical services personnel with direct patient care. The list also included pregnant women and people who work with minors, such as teachers or daycare providers.

Although the clinic didn't begin until 10 a.m., people began lining up outside of the Convocation Center as early as 7 a.m.

Ypsilanti residents Daniel



"I just don't want to get sick, especially with something so harmful," said Dexter resident Frank Ni before he rolled up his sleeve for the vaccination.

Wolf and his girlfriend, Jacque Darden, waited with their two children in line for almost two hours.

"It was worth the wait for the extra protection against the H1N1 flu," Wolf said. "The effects can be pretty drastic for the kids, and we just want to make sure our kids are OK."

Like Wolf and his family, many others waited for hours on the vaccination as the line

stretched alongside the outside of the building and around the entire concourse of the 8,800-seat arena.

"We knew there would be long lines, so we set up a color-coded wristband system, which would have allowed people to go and come back during a specified two-hour block of time," said Washtenaw County Public Health information officer Susan Cerniglia. "A lot of

people were already there and waiting and had set a specific time aside, so they didn't leave. That did increase waiting time a bit."

As people waited in line, workers along the way assisted people in filling out forms. Workers also gave vital information about how to prevent sickness and follow-up injections that have to be done to ensure a successful vaccination.

"People who receive the vaccine today also have to return to get another vaccination in December," Cerniglia said.

"We're unsure if it will be another mass clinic like it was today or if we can get those vaccines out to the primary care providers of the people who received the vaccine today."

There was no charge for the vaccine as distributed at the Convocation Center, which made the injections a little easier for people to handle.

Frank Ni, a Dexter resident, came with his family to get vaccinated.

"I have small children and I'm just taking precautionary

measures," Ni said. "I'm glad it was free, though."

Cerniglia said she was glad the county was able to provide the service and hopes that the H1N1 flu won't continue to spread across the county.

"There are a lot of things people can do to reduce their chances of getting the H1N1 virus," she said. "Washing hands with soap and water is the biggest thing, but also just try to avoid contact with people who are sneezing or coughing, and avoid touching your eyes and mouth in public."

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County has fourth-worst road conditions

Washtenaw County has the fourth worst roads in all of Michigan — 977 miles of roads in poor condition — while Ann Arbor ranks third out of nearly

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1,800 municipalities in all of Michigan, with 189 miles in poor condition.

These findings are based on the Michigan Asset Management Council's annual report, released last week by the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association.

The only counties with more miles of poor roads are Wayne County with 1,841 road miles, Oakland County with 1,292 road miles and Genesee County with 1,216 miles of poor roads.

MITA also announced the municipalities with the worst roads, naming Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti Township, Pittsville Township, Lima Township and the City of Ypsilanti in the top 100 municipalities with the worst road conditions.

Ann Arbor was third only to Detroit and Grand Rapids, while Ypsilanti Township has 75 miles, Pittsville Township 32 miles, Lima Township 50 miles and the City of Ypsilanti 45 miles.

"Our legislative leaders need to stop watching the funding problem evolve into a crisis and take appropriate action to correct it," said Mike Nystrom, vice president of government and public relations for the Michigan Infrastructure and

Transportation Association and co-chairman of the Michigan Transportation Team.

"This isn't a case of road agencies not doing their jobs. Michigan's local road systems are collapsing because funding continues to plummet."

The findings are based on the Michigan Asset Management Council Annual Report of Roads & Bridges, which evaluated federally funded roads in 83 counties and almost 1,800 municipalities across Michigan.

The report found that Michigan's roads are deteriorating rapidly. Over the course of a single year, the percentage of roads in poor condition increased from 25 percent in 2007 to 32 percent in 2008. The latest figure represents more

than 17,378 lane miles of federal-aid-eligible roads.

Federal aid roads are those eligible for at least some federal dollars in addition to state dollars. They are often considered the best maintained roads because of their high traffic volumes.

The report rated each road on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the worst. It analyzed the municipalities with the most roads rating a 4 or lower. Roads in this condition are considered "poor" and require a complete structural overhaul, usually costing four to five times as much as the cost of routine maintenance.

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OUR TAKE: Editorial

Public pressure get things done

The lawmakers in Lansing finally passed a balanced budget, at least for now, and Gov. Jennifer Granholm has let residents know she's not happy about it.

But unlike two years ago, when she shut down state government and our legislators caved in to her demands for a tax hike, this year Granholm did some backtracking.

She certainly played enough politics this year in trying to get her way and win legislative approval of what she termed "revenue enhancements."

And she could have again used the shutdown tactic. But instead, the governor signed the remaining budget bills for fiscal 2010 and has kept government operating.

Why? It appears we can attribute Granholm's acquiescence to at least two things.

One, the Legislature, which passed the balance budget, didn't back down in the face of Granholm's threats. For this, we give both Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, and House Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford, credit for linking arms in a bipartisan effort to hold firm on the budget.

And second, Granholm seems to have felt

the pressure from the general public and this time relented instead of trying to force the issue.

Of course, Granholm is not giving up. She has called on the Legislature to return to Lansing to restore funding for public college scholarships, revenue sharing for police and fire, Medicaid payments for senior citizens and money for public education.

And she made an appeal to the public to contact their lawmakers and pressure them to restore funding for those priorities before the latest round of public school cuts takes effect in a few weeks.

We're not against funding any or all of these very important budget items. But the budget needs to be balanced. It's questionably strange that Granholm's selection of line-item budget cuts comes in areas that will most affect the public, particularly schools.

This is not the first time she has put kids in the middle of her political games.

Basically, the state needs a budget that is based on revenue coming in, not wishful thinking.

Michigan has had for a number of years

what is called a "structural" deficit.

The state spends more money than it brings in. It drafts a budget based on "hoped for" revenue instead of what really should be expected.

The deficit is not going to be erased through the older, traditional methods, such as a tax increase. Generally, any tax boost is just going to further heighten the economic woes of the state.

Bishop repeatedly has said the state doesn't need any additional tax increases.

He went on to add that Senate Republicans are ready to start working on next year's expected budget shortfall by making government and schools run more efficiently and changing tax policy to better reflect the economy. Bishop plans to release a list of ideas soon.

We look forward to seeing it.

For once, the Legislature held firm, and public opinion also seemed to have a strong effect on Granholm.

Maybe this is a sign that if the public puts enough pressure on state lawmakers, things will get done — in a way that's best for the entire state.

Your Voice: Letters to the Editor

EMS monopoly hurting residents

I recently read an article in the Detroit Free Press (Posted online Oct. 24) stating that Northville Township has switched emergency medical services providers "primarily because of the cost to residents and their insurers, who pay for the ambulance calls."

The article further states that Community EMS, which is taking over the service, will cost the patient \$68 to \$220 less than Huron Valley Ambulance, which previously had the contract.

I also read, in that very same publication, reports on our economy. Like many people in Washtenaw County, I continue to grow more and more concerned about the economic state of our nation and country on a daily basis.

I read about necessary changes in health care because people already cannot afford medical care. I read that politicians can't agree on the "necessary" changes and that real reform will be delayed. Lastly, I am receiving many fliers in the mail regarding renewing millage or millage increases.

As a Washtenaw County resident, I began to think of the ambulances that I see in the area that I live. These ambulances are indeed Huron Valley ambulances, the same EMS provider that Northville Township just terminated.

In these times, change is absolutely necessary. We have to change our way of looking at the way our government does business. The days of the governmental procurement of a \$2,000 hammer are over. I do believe that change starts with common sense. During an emergency, it is easy to overlook the charges involved for the ambulance ride, but once all is restored to normal and that bill arrives, the excess charges are quite evident.

It is my understanding that Wayne and Oakland counties have several private EMS services competing for these contracts. Why isn't there competition for these services in Washtenaw County?

It appears that no one is reviewing the charges being passed onto the citizens of the county. If we are being charged \$68 to \$220 more for ambulance service, shouldn't

we look for change?

A monopoly doesn't benefit Washtenaw County's residents; it hurts them.

Cindy Barrett
Dexter

November is National Hospice Month

We seek your help in letting your readers know about National Hospice Month and, more importantly, about the services available to them from their local hospices.

Sponsored by both the National Hospice and Palliative Care, and Michigan Hospice and Palliative Care organizations, this special month pays tribute to hospice providers who are dedicated to providing physical, spiritual and emotional support to terminally ill patients. It also serves as a means of increasing public awareness about the available choices in end-of-life care.

As you may know, Arbor Hospice is a not-for-profit organization committed to improving end of life care and expanding access to hospice care with the goal of profoundly enhancing quality of life for people dying in Southeast Michigan, and taking care of their loved ones as well.

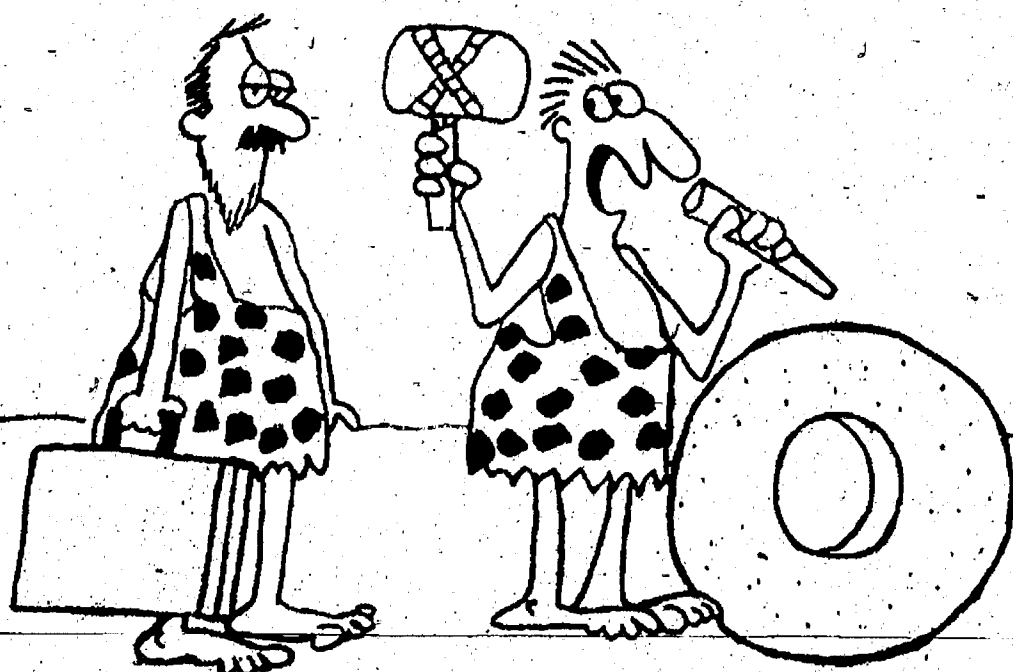
As a nonprofit, they also provide free grief support services to the community at large. Healthcare professionals who specialize in hospice and palliative care work closely with staff and volunteers to address all the symptoms of illness, with the aim of promoting comfort and dignity.

Please help us spread the word about National Hospice Month and raise public awareness of the great support services provided by Arbor Hospice, which serves patients in Wayne, Oakland, Monroe, Washtenaw, Lenawee and Livingston counties and has offices in Ann Arbor, Plymouth and Woodhaven.

If you have any questions about National Hospice Month, hospice services or would like to make a donation to Arbor Hospice, please call 1-888-992-2273 or visit www.arborhospice.org.

Gloria Danna Brooks
President and CEO
Arbor Hospice

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"NO, FOR THE LAST TIME, I DON'T NEED TECH SUPPORT."

HOME FRONT: By Gerald LaVaute

Special service honors veterans and their sacrifices

Thank you for your service. I heard this phrase minutes after I arrived at Concordia University's Veterans Day Celebration and Flag Dedication Nov. 11.

They represent five simple words that speak volumes, and were repeated many times during the next two hours, literally and in a variety of symbolic ways in which the Concordia staff, students and civilian guests expressed their gratitude for the sacrifice these veterans had made for us.

Sacrifice, in fact, was the subject of the homily by the Rev. Kurt Taylor, a major in the U.S. Air Force, during the chapel service.

About 250 people, in and out of uniform, filled the pews. The music and the singing of patriotic hymns thundered throughout the chapel. Men and women alike, accompanied by the Concordia choir sang with an unbridled lusty energy.

Taylor is the pastor of St. John Lutheran Parish in Waltz. He recently served a tour of duty in Afghanistan.

"We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses," he said from the pulpit, referring to the veterans.

He shared a story in which, during his tour in Afghanistan, he said walked to the edge of the camp and began talking

there with the sentry on guard. The sentry suggested that they pray together. Taylor agreed, and noticed that the sentry interposed himself between Taylor and a stand of trees a few hundred yards away. The sudden movement of the sentry puzzled Taylor, and later he realized that the sentry was shielding him from potential sniper fire that had been reported in that area.

"And so," he said, "we honor our veterans and their sacrifices for us."

On hand to honor the veterans were the Reserve Officers Training Corps Honor Guard from the University of Michigan. Thea Williams and Josh Gilly, 20-year-old juniors at the University of Michigan, were among a handful of ROTC members there to honor the veterans. They were part of the opening procession at the chapel service.

At the end of the service, Williams received a new flag intended to replace the flag that had flown nearby outside for a year — the previous flag having been dedicated at the first Concordia Veterans Day celebration a year ago.

Williams and Gilly said that ROTC kept them very busy. The minimum weekly commitment was about seven hours in class and lab and physical education. They both plan to join active



Photo by Gerald LaVaute

Jim Johnston (left) is an Air Force Korean War veteran and Bob Wischmeyer, 77, is also a Korean War veteran, as well as a retired journalist. Both were among many veterans to attend Concordia University's Veterans Day celebration.

Army units after graduation.

A Korean War veteran who enjoyed a career in journalism was among the 100 veterans who attended the celebration. Bob Wischmeyer, 77, served in Korea from 1955 to 1956.

He worked at several weekly newspapers in the Cleveland area before retiring, with a stint

in Michigan at The Jackson Citizen Patriot.

Wischmeyer sat next to Dale Burgess, 87, a pilot who served in New Guinea and the Philippines in World War II.

Jim Johnston, 78, sat to the left of Wischmeyer. Johnston was an Air Force veteran stationed in Korea from 1951 to

1955.

William Fennel, 86, who sat with the others, was a U.S. Navy veteran who served from 1943 to 1946.

Fennel said that he didn't like to tell war stories, but occasionally enjoyed a good book on the subject. He mentioned in particular "Flags of Our

Fathers," published in 2000 by James Bradley Bradley was the son of one of the six soldiers who raised the flag on Mount Suribachi on the Pacific island of Iwo Jima, which was invaded by the United States near the end of World War II. His book is the story about the event.

After the chapel service, the group was ushered outside to witness the flag dedication. Nicole Blaszyk, Miss Michigan, was the special guest speaker for the ceremony.

During the ceremony, there was a flyby of two A-10 aircraft from Selfridge Air National Guard base. Shortly after, a CH-47 Chinook helicopter landed nearby, and was available for inspection for a short while that afternoon.

The veterans were treated to lunch in the school cafeteria. Each of them received a commemorative gift and a \$5,000 scholarship certificate to the university, which could be used by the veteran, or transferred to a dependent or another veteran.

Concordia University Ann Arbor, located at 4090 Geddes Road in Ann Arbor, is a private, Christian liberal arts institution of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod.

Gerald LaVaute is a reporter for Heritage Newspapers. He can be reached at 429-7380 or glavaute@heritage.com.

Letters to the Editor

Thanks, Jan

To the Editor: The following letter was sent to Jan Loveland of Cranesbill Books:

Thanks for your years of dedication to Cranesbill books and to the community. Every city or town, large or small, should have a bookstore. For many years Chelsea had a good one. Your commitment to the store and the community served us very well. You struggled mightily through the tough times, and worked so long and hard to survive and keep alive our only local bookstore.

While you're not alone in these difficult times, it is truly sad to lose Cranesbill books. Again, thanks for hanging in there and for providing this much-appreciated resource. Best of luck and happiness in your future!

Don Enderby
Chelsea

Schools of Choice?

To the Editor: Is it time yet to revisit the idea of Schools of Choice for Chelsea?

Our schools are again at risk for substantial cuts. With the recent county millage defeat, the additional proposed cuts by the state could be a devastating loss to our district. If you don't think this will happen, or believe it's just a scare tactic, ask any of the school employees to see the list of proposed cuts that was available at a recent school board meeting. There are 35 items on the list for a total of \$1,909,100. Schools of Choice is No. 17 on the list, after cutting items like bus routes, preschool and "Increase Class Size-Staff reduction" for \$854. Do you want your children in a class of 40 or 50 kids? This will be the case if an elementary school is closed and that many staff is cut. Some of the staff reductions could take place in January.

The cut of all freshman sports is on the list too, as is all Schedule B pay. If you don't know what that is, it is all the coaches and extra-curricular activities staff. All the coaches. All extra-curricular activities. Football, baseball, basketball,

softball, tennis, golf, marching band, concerts, soccer, etc.

There is no proposed amount in the column next to Schools of Choice, because there is no telling how much revenue could come into our school district with this option.

Our school district is behind the times. We need to step into the 21st century when it comes to funding education. Schools of Choice have been around for over 25 years. It has been a viable and profitable option for schools for many years. Schools that utilize this option aren't facing the kind of cuts Chelsea is, if state funding is cut even more.

People have moved to Chelsea for the schools and the kind of education their child would receive. That is precisely why my husband took the job here. If we continue to turn a blind eye to what is happening around us, Chelsea will no longer be a choice for newcomers. You may no longer have children in school, but do you have grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends with children? We can not be "content" any longer. We can not use our children's future as a bargaining tool. They count on us to assure them that they will receive the best education, and they should be demanding more of our respect.

The State has until Nov. 21 to reverse the additional proposed cuts. Call all of the senators and representatives in Lansing and ask them to stop cutting education. Better yet, start talking amongst the community and demand other options. Our kids deserve and are entitled to better.

Susie Catherman
Chelsea

Tower a waste of money

Washtenaw County recently designated the West Lake Preserve near Chelsea as part of the Washtenaw County's Natural Area Preservation properties. The property, as described on the county Web site, offers a nice diversity of habitats, including a small pond, buttonbush swamp, oak hickory forest and open fields.

Isn't it ironic that the County is also trying to build a 400 foot radio tower, with all the necessary intrusive safety lighting, on the western shore of that pristine lake?

Even more frustrating is the ignored opportunity to use an already existing 1,000 foot radio/TV tower just a few miles away and save the substantial cost of building a new tower, and preserve some of the county's most scenic areas.

The county is planning to spend from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 of the taxpayers' money as part of the county-wide effort passed in a May 2006 millage proposal to rebuild the emergency radio system. The proposed tower is one of

seven structures to be utilized in Washtenaw County.

The April 2009 meeting of the Lyndon Township Planning Commission was, for many residents, the first notice of the County's intention to build this huge blight on their backyard skies. By then however, the 800 MHz Radio Consortium had cemented their plan to build the 400 foot tower (three times the height of a typical water tower) on the old Chelsea landfill, regardless of public outcry. The proposal passed the township planning process even though there were many site concerns. For example, setbacks were not what is required by anyone building in the township. (The tower site

was finally located such that if it falls, it will only barely fall short of adjoining houses, and could fall across the busy Werkner Road.)

Though some initial efforts were made to co-locate on the nearby 1,000-foot WPXD tower, which was the only other suitable location in this corner of the county, it was reported that the opportunity was lost due inability to reach an agreement on a lease. Subsequent inquiry to the WPXD tower owners

by concerned residents found that the County had not really made any good-faith attempts to negotiate. The managers of this tower were more than willing to have the county co-locate at a cost much lower than the cost of building and maintaining their own tower.

Cost was not the issue over which this effort failed. In fact, the cost was negotiated down to a lump sum of between \$200,000

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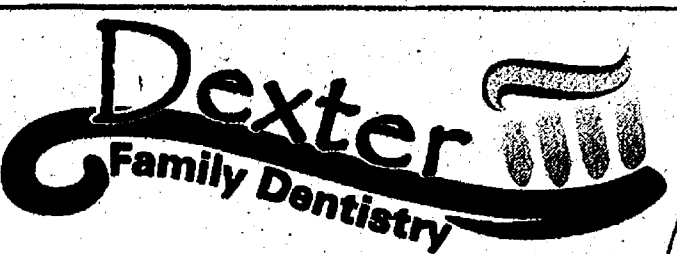
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Counting seeds



As part of their science and math study, students from Mrs. Wagoner's and Mrs. McDonald's fourth grades at Pierce Lake Elementary joined together to count pumpkin seed, measure and weigh pumpkins, and gather all the data organizing it into tables and graphs.

TOP: Chloe Redmer, Rose Soriano, Hunter Poppenger, and Jacob Roberts clean out their pumpkin.

BOTTOM: Students gathering the data with Mrs. Wagoner.


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Hypertension
We are looking for generally healthy adults with high blood pressure. This study is 57 weeks long and includes approximately 12 clinic visits.

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- Ragweed Allergies
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Hospice recognizes local volunteers

November is National Hospice Month, and Hospice of Michigan is using this time to educate the public about the important service that volunteers provide to people who need care and assistance at an important time of life.

It's the little things that make life easier and more pleasurable: having favorite cookies on hand, a clean kitchen, the daily paper or the company of a caring person. To help provide the simple and good things in life to more than 900 patients dealing with serious illnesses, Hospice of Michigan relies on a corps of 1,100 active volunteers. This group of volunteers meets the daily needs of patients residing in 56 counties across the lower

peninsula of Michigan.

Hospice of Michigan has always had a strong base of volunteers, and the organization is recognizing them during a time when the president of the United States is calling on all Americans to volunteer time in their communities.

In April, when signing the "Serve America Act," President Barack Obama said, "We need your service, right now, at this moment in history. I'm not going to tell you what your role should be; that's for you to discover. But I'm asking you to stand up and play your part...and if you do, I promise you your life will be richer, our country will be stronger, and someday, years from now, you may remember it

as the moment when your own story and the American story converged, when they came together, and we met the challenges of our new century."

In 2009, volunteers in Michigan donated 42,000 hours of time to help patients and families. The dollar value of this time is approximately \$500,000.

Hospice of Michigan volunteers go through a comprehensive 16-hour training program, and afterwards provide services that are aligned with their personal interests, including administrative tasks, companionship, cutting hair, reading the newspaper, assisting with errands, light housekeeping, yard work, playing cards, assisting with pet care and other activities.

Ypsilanti resident has volunteered for 5 years

Ypsilanti resident Barbara Warren has been a Hospice of Michigan volunteer for five years. Warren visits patients in their homes or facilities and provides conversation and a comforting hand to hold.

"Volunteering my time is very important to me," said Warren. "I am happy to be there for someone whenever their family cannot be. I hope that someone will be there for me if I ever need it."

Washtenaw County Hospice of Michigan volunteer manager John Anderson said, "Our volunteers make a big difference every day in the lives of our

patients and families. They help us provide the day-to-day services that make all of our lives easier. When a patient and family are dealing with a serious illness, simple pleasures and accomplishing daily tasks make all the difference in the world to the comfort of the patient."

Volunteers needed in Washtenaw County

Hospice services are provided in the home, in the hospital and in long-term care settings. Hospice services include:

- Pain and symptom management
- Emotional and spiritual support
- Home health aides and trained volunteers

- Respite for family caregivers
- Medications, equipment and supplies

Grief support for loved ones

Hospice volunteers are needed in the Washtenaw County area for services such as administrative tasks, reading, feeding, grooming, cutting hair, cleaning, yard work, massage and playing cards.

For more information about volunteering for Hospice of Michigan, contact John Anderson at (313) 578-6327 or janderso@hom.org.

For information about Hospice of Michigan services in the Ann Arbor area, call (888) 247-5701 or visit www.hom.org.

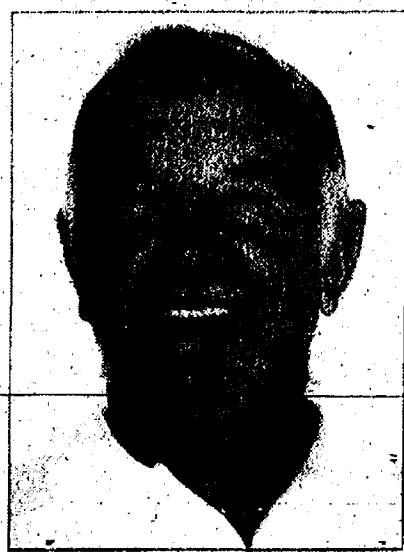


Death Notices

HERITAGE NEWSPAPERS



HINDERER, NORMAN A., of Chelsea, MI; age 90; passed away at his home on Thursday, November 12, 2009, surrounded by his family. He was born on December 22, 1918, in Sylvan Township, the son of Albert and Martha (Horning) Hinderer. On August 17, 1946, he married Betty L. Wahl at Zion Lutheran Church in Chelsea and she survives. Norman was a farmer his entire life and was a life-long member of Zion Lutheran Church, including time as a former church council board member and cemetery board member. After retirement he enjoyed working at Michigan Livestock in Manchester. Norman was a member of the Wolverine Euchre Club. He enjoyed fishing and hunting and was a member of the Gehrke Hunting Club in Hubbard Lake since 1952 and president for 16 years. He was a recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the Chelsea Kiwanis Club in 1997 and was the 2007 Washtenaw County Farmer of the Year. In addition to his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Marilyn (Ronald) Mast of Chelsea; five grandchildren, Steven (Krista) Hinderer, Jeffrey (Kate) Hinderer, Susan Hinderer, Michelle (Kirk) Hedding and Jason (Deborah) Mast; six great grandchildren; one daughter-in-law, Marilyn Hinderer of Caro; three sisters-in-law, Irene Kennedy of Manchester, Virginia Hinderer of Chelsea and Marjorie (James) Clark of Grass Lake; and one brother-in-law, Clare (Jenny) Wahl of Grass Lake. He was preceded in death by his son, Donald Hinderer; his brother, Loren Hinderer; and his brother-in-law, Douglas Kennedy. Funeral Services were held Monday, November 16, 2009, at 11 a.m. from Zion Lutheran Church in Chelsea with Pastor Doris Sparks officiating. Burial followed at the church cemetery. The family received friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on both Saturday and Sunday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. and on Monday at the church from 10 a.m. until the hour of service. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the church or the Arbor Hospice Foundation.



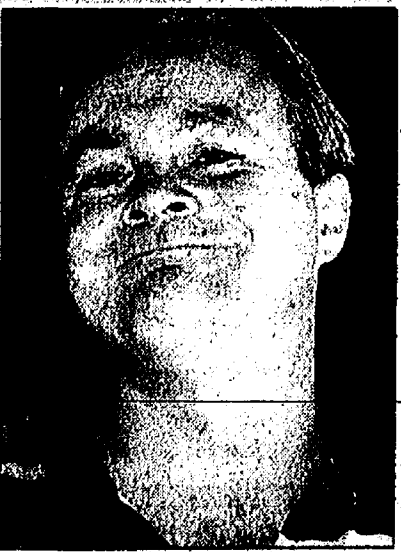
PADUAN, FRANCIS J., "FRANK"; age 78; of Adrian, formerly of Devils Lake; passed away on Saturday, November 14, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Born on September 1, 1933, in Calumet, MI, to Leonard L. and Mary G. (Warrick) Paduan. Married Mary A. Smith on March 7, 1953, in Ypsilanti, MI, and she survives. He lived his early life in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, then in Ypsilanti and Belleville, MI, area and then at Devils Lake since 1975. Frank graduated from Roosevelt High School in Ypsilanti in 1952 and then earned an Associates Degree from Coyne Electrical College in Chicago. He served in the U.S. Army during the period of the Korean War. He was a member of the IBEW Electrical Union Local 252 in Ann Arbor for 42 years, retiring in 1995. He was also a member of the Denton Methodist Church in Belleville for 20 years, Addison United Church for 32 years, and most recently became a member of St. Johns Lutheran Church in Adrian. Frank was an avid hunter and was a pilot of small planes. Surviving besides his wife, Mary, are one son, Jeffrey D. (Jennifer) Paduan of Monterey, CA; three daughters, Pamela I. (David) Yarger of Clarkston, MI, Frances J. (Jay) Brant of Devils Lake and Tonia S. (Robert) Caribardi of Ypsilanti; five grandchildren, Austin, Logan, Alexis, Olivia and Maximus. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Joseph L. Paduan. Funeral Services were 11 a.m. Wednesday, November 18, 2009, at the Brown-Van Hemert Funeral Home in Addison, MI, with Pastor Joel Sarraut and Pastor Will Snyder officiating. Visitation was 3 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17. Cremation followed. The family would like any donations to be directed in memory of Frank Paduan and in appreciation for Brian G. Halloran, M.D. at the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute, Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5325 Elliott Drive, Suite 203, Ann Arbor, MI 48106 734-712-8000 www.simercyhealth.org. View this obituary and send condolences to the family at www.brownvanhemert.com.

BOUCHONNET, FRANK EUGENE; 76; Indianapolis IN; passed away November 14, 2009. He was born September 14, 1933 in Cincinnati, OH to Frank and Bertha Bouchonnet. Frank was a 38 year employee of Indianapolis Newspapers, Inc., until his retirement in 1996. He was a former Governor of Moose Lodge #17 in Indianapolis. He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Carolyn Schuller Bouchonnet; and his children, Mary Ann (Doug) Doneth of Saline MI, Gloria (Ralph) Litz, Kevin (Linda) Bouchonnet, Karen May, Lorrie Bohr and Lisa Page; he was blessed with 14 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren; and his beloved dog Teddy. Calling from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Flanner Buchanan Washington Park East Funeral Center, 10722 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46229. Service Tuesday 1 p.m. at the Funeral Center. Burial will follow at Washington Park East Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Mooseheart Child and City School, Inc. by visiting:

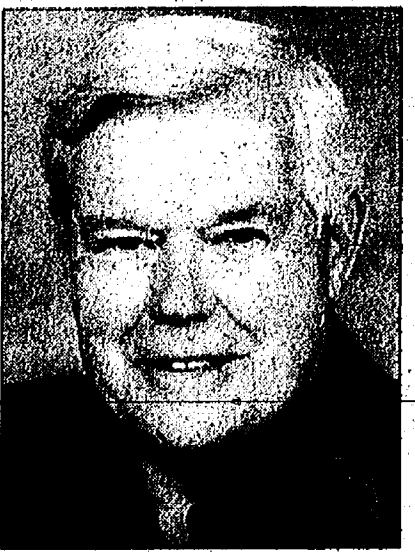
<http://www.moosecharities.org>
Friends and family may sign the online guest book for Frank at www.flannerbuchanan.com



TREER, JANE LILA (HIBBARD); died peacefully in her home at Luther Acres on November 12, 2009; at the age of 80. Since being diagnosed with lung cancer over a year ago she enjoyed an excellent quality of life with her family and friends. For everyone she touched, Jane was the source of endless love, comfort, humor and support. She will be greatly missed and remembered always. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Hospice of Lancaster County, 685 Good Drive, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125, www.hospiceoflanaster.org



DARROW, ROBERT J. (ROBBY); of Chelsea, MI; age 48; passed away on Sunday, November 15, 2009, at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was born on April 26, 1961, in Ann Arbor, MI, the son of James Henry Darrow and Sandra S. (Solent-Dunham) Darrow. Robby passed away surrounded by his loving family and in the arms of the Lord. He was a lifelong resident of Dexter, graduating from Dexter High School in 1979. His first job was working at Perfect Fit, where he was happily employed for many years. He was later employed by Ann Arbor Super Soils Inc. for eighteen years, working with large equipment. Robby was passionate about cooking and was designated the "King of Deer Camp" because he would prepare scrumptious meals for all the hunters after a day in the woods. He was a naturally talented musician and enjoyed composing, listening to and playing his music (at high volumes). He formed several bands throughout his lifetime with friends and family members. In addition to his parents, he is survived by one brother, Richard Darrow of Dexter; and one sister, Rebecca (Steve) Gray of Gregory; and special cousins, Sandy Sue (Henes) Boukai and Cynthia Louise (Burm) Ruddis, both of California; Robby was also a loving uncle to Alyssa, Justin and Mekai. Funeral Service will be held Thursday, November 19, 2009, at 1 p.m. from Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Heidi DeMott Shanes presiding. Burial to follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery. The family received friends on Wednesday, November 18, from 4 to 8 p.m. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Jim and Sandy Darrow.



O'TOOLE, BRIAN E.; of Chelsea, MI; age 68; passed away on Monday, November 16, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was born on April 23, 1941, in Muskegon, MI, the son of Thomas P. and Virginia (Martin) O'Toole. On October 28, 1961, he married Nancy Lou Popelar and she survives. He was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Chelsea and President of Schuster Construction Services, Inc., where he worked with his two sons and nephew for many years. He was known for his sense of humor, positive attitude and being a family man above all. He was a great comfort and mentor to all who knew him. Brian loved trout, fly fishing, duck and rabbit hunting. In addition to his wife, he is survived by three children, Rhea Ann (Neal) O'Toole Kupisz of Tecumseh, Brian C. (Patricia) O'Toole of Chelsea and Mark D. (Donna) O'Toole of Manchester; six grandchildren, Nichole and Derek Kupisz, Lauren and Brian T. O'Toole and Thomas and Kate O'Toole; and his three siblings, Martin O'Toole, Mike O'Toole and Virginia O'Toole-Brautigan; and a sister-in-law, Patricia O'Toole, all of Muskegon. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Patrick and Tom. Funeral Mass will be held Friday, November 20, 2009, at 11 a.m. from St. Mary Catholic Church. The family will receive friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:30 p.m. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Diabetes Association or American Heart Association.

ROSENRETER, MARYLYN M. (HENES); of Dexter, MI; my mom, Marilyn, age 82; went home to heaven to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, November 8, 2009. She slipped away quickly and peacefully at home embraced in the arms of her loving family. She was born September 8, 1927, in Ann Arbor, the daughter of Herman and Clara Henes. She married the love of her life, Walt Rosenreter, in 1947. They raised two daughters, Joanne and Cheryl. Marilyn's special God-given gifts were her love of life, her sense of humor and her lightshine to others. She especially enjoyed God's beautiful world - green farm fields, golden autumn leaves, bright songbirds, bushy-tailed black squirrels, vegetable gardens, flowers and her special cat, Bailey. Her interests in life were bowling, sports (especially the Tigers and Pistons), events at church, concerts, travel and community events. My mom helped with the Girl Scouts and for several years taught 4-H knitting. Working with kids at the middle school in Dexter for over 14 years was a highlight in her life. The most important part of her life was the Lord's work and St. Andrew's Church where she was baptized, confirmed and attended her entire life, as did her parents. She taught Sunday School, was a member of the women's guild, attended Bible studies and worked on many church functions and dinners. In her lifetime, she was a kind and loving caregiver to many of her family members. She leaves behind her grandchildren, Andy (Nicky) Bobo and Tracey Bobo; and the little sunbeam of her life, her great granddaughter, Ashley. Mom, we love you and you will be greatly missed. A Celebration of her life will be held at St. Andrew's Church in Dexter on Friday, November 20, at 11 a.m. Visitation will begin at 10:30 a.m. A luncheon will follow and all are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Andrew's United Church of Christ, Dexter. The Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Home in Dexter provided services.

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POLITICAL NOTEBOOK

Byrnes Introduces plan to allow same-sex marriages

State Rep. Pam Byrnes, D-52nd District, recently introduced in the Michigan House of Representatives a plan to amend the state Constitution to allow same-sex marriage in Michigan.

"This really boils down to treating all people with the dignity and respect everyone deserves," Byrnes said. "So many of us were raised to treat others how we'd like to be treated. It's about time we start actually doing that. Last time I checked, the Golden Rule didn't say, 'Treat others how you'd like to be treated, unless they are gay or lesbian.'"

Byrnes' plan amends Michigan's Constitution to allow same-sex marriages and allows Michigan to recognize

same-sex marriages from other states. The plan also contains a religious exemption that allows clergy the right to refuse performing or certifying same-sex marriages.

Fifteen states currently have some level of protection for the rights of same-sex couples. Same-sex marriages are not legally recognized in Michigan because voters passed a constitutional amendment that banned gay marriage and other same-sex unions in 2004. However, public opinion has swung quickly in recent years, especially in reaction to stories of same-sex couples being denied access to a partner's health care benefits or visitation rights to their loved ones at hospitals.

"Same-sex couples should not be denied the joys and responsibilities that come with making a lifetime commitment to each other," Byrnes said.

"The Michigan I know is not a place that would deny visitation rights to a dying loved one or access to health care just because of someone's sexual orientation. It's wrong to arbitrarily treat certain groups of people like second-class citizens, and it's time to update our laws in Michigan to make sure no one is treated that way."

The day after Kalamazoo voters resoundingly approved an ordinance to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, the Michigan House Judiciary Committee passed a similar measure to ensure these protections are applied statewide.

"Yesterday's election results demonstrated Michiganders' fundamental belief in equality and fairness," state Rep. Rebekah Warren, D-53rd District, sponsor of the bill, said Wednesday in a news release. "They see that these measures

are not about special rights or special interests. They are about protecting our citizens and their families from being fired from a job or being denied housing because of who they are or whom they love. I'm afraid this is one instance in which it is high time that the Michigan Legislature catches up to its constituents, and I am proud to help lead this fight."

Although the state Legislature has been introduced in several prior sessions, this marks the first time the bill was passed out of committee and sent to the House Floor for consideration. Its movement comes on the coattails of Kalamazoo becoming the 17th locality in Michigan to pass a similar ordinance.

Studies have shown that states and cities that restrict rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgendered citizens tend to rank at the bottom for attracting high-tech businesses, while

regions and companies that are open, inclusive and tolerant are economic powerhouses. Of the 519 Fortune 1,000 companies surveyed by the Human Rights Campaign, 98 percent prohibit unfair employment practices for gay employees.

At the same time, migration has cost Michigan 465,000 citizens since 2001. In 2007 alone, Michigan suffered a net loss migration of 18,000 adults with bachelor's degree or higher. Those leaving Michigan had an annual income 20 percent higher than those who moved into the state.

Clean Water Action names Warren Lawmaker of the Year

State Rep. Rebekah Warren, D-53rd District, was named the 2009 Lawmaker of the Year by Clean Water Action Nov. 4 at the

Great Lakes Awards Celebration. The award is one of seven given statewide honoring prominent lawmakers, citizens, leaders and volunteers who work to protect the state's national treasures and create a clean energy economy for Michigan.

"Michigan's natural resources have suffered under the current budget crisis, but Representative Warren can always be counted on to protect our water, air and the many special places that define Michigan," said Cyndi Roper, Michigan Clean Water Action executive director.

Warren earned the honor for reaching across the aisle to negotiate several pressing issues, including a bill to keep Michigan's wetlands program under state authority and the landmark Great Lakes Compact legislation, which effectively banned the diversion of Great Lakes water from outside the basin.

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LETTERS

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and \$300,000 – hundreds of thousands of dollars less than even the most conservative estimates of the new tower construction.

According to a representative of the County project, the lease terms presented by the tower managers contained provisions that were unacceptable to the County. But the County admits that it never responded to the "boiler-plate" lease that was presented, and never asked to have any of the terms changed, even though the tower owners were very amenable to changing any language of concern to the County. Instead, the oversight committee in charge of the project voted unanimously on October 15 to proceed with the building of the new tower.

Unfortunately, this complicated project has lost sight of accomplishing their goals with minimal cost and intrusion. At a meeting in the Lyndon Township Hall on Nov. 10, project representatives defended their actions, but given the very lengthy periods when negotiations stalled and resources were diverted to the new tower planning and approval process, concerned residents were left unconvinced that there ever was strong motivation to make the co-location work. A lot of progress had been made in recent months, but somehow, the push to get a co-location agreement failed.

The reason? In the end, it's a lot easier to just write a big check to erect a new tower with none of the complications that come with having to cooperate with others. Working out the messy details, the way private businesses do who lack the freedom that "other people's money" gives to government, is difficult and takes hard work and perseverance. Were it not for the open checkbook at their disposal, the people in charge of this project would have found a way to make it work. But they didn't have to.

The public really has no way of knowing the huge blight to their evening skies that is about to be irrevocably and unnecessarily built. In the end, what bothers me most of all is the arrogant waste of money pledged by the taxpayers of this county for public safety. You can bet they'll be back asking for more later, when today's technology becomes obsolete and all of our fire, police and safety personnel need new communication equipment.

Wouldn't it be nice to have an extra few hundred thousand dollars in reserve for that day? This could have been a win-win for everyone. Instead, it's become a short-sighted solution that will result in a long term desecration of this county's "natural preservation" land, and an erosion of faith in the public trust. In the end it will come back to haunt all country residents when we money is needed that was unnecessarily squandered in this round.

Please join me in letting your county representatives know your displeasure in their decision to ruin the night skies in northern Chelsea and waste taxpayer money.

Elizabeth Widmayer
Chelsea

Thank you!

To the Editor: This is a letter of thanks to all the wonderful people who helped out on Nov. 4 when my little brown dog escaped from the fenced-in back yard and made a beeline across Main Street in Chelsea. She ran into the path of a big, white pickup truck and was seriously injured.

The gentleman who had hit her got out and tried to comfort her. He carried her to my car and then stopped traffic so I could get out of my driveway quickly to get to the vet. Lots of neighbors and drivers also tried to help, one of whom turned on his truck-top flashers to warn oncoming traffic. While it was sad to lose my little Daisy, it was heartwarming to have such support for both my pet and myself.

I am very grateful to all those who stepped up to offer assistance and also for the immediate attention we received from Dr. Rode. Though the event was sad, I was left surrounded by a real feeling of compassion and support.

Sandy Peterson
Chelsea



Youngster shows the spirit of giving

Benjamin Polens, the 6-year-old son of Robert and Sarah Polens of Chelsea, harvested 40 pumpkins from his pumpkin patch and sold them to his friends at Peace Lutheran Church in Dexter a few weeks ago. Ben's eagerness to help inspired the people at Peace to donate \$163, which he proudly presented to Faith in Action, "to help people pay some of their bills who don't have enough money."

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U of M hosts Dental Health Day

By Daniel Lai
Heritage Newspapers

Crowds of patients filled the halls at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry Saturday to participate in the school's annual Dental Health Day.

Each year, U of M students, faculty and staff volunteer their time to provide free oral health

care services — oral exams, oral cancer screenings, X-rays and oral hygiene education — to residents of Ann Arbor and the surrounding communities.

"We are glad we are able to provide oral exams to evaluate the dental needs for members of the community who may not have health insurance," event spokeswoman Katie Knauf said. "That way we can inform them of any potential health risks."

The event serves both as practice for dental students and good publicity for the university.

"Several community members become regular patients and receive care from the dental school," Knauf said. "It's a low-cost alternative to private practice dentist visits."

The event has become increasingly popular over the years, Knauf said.

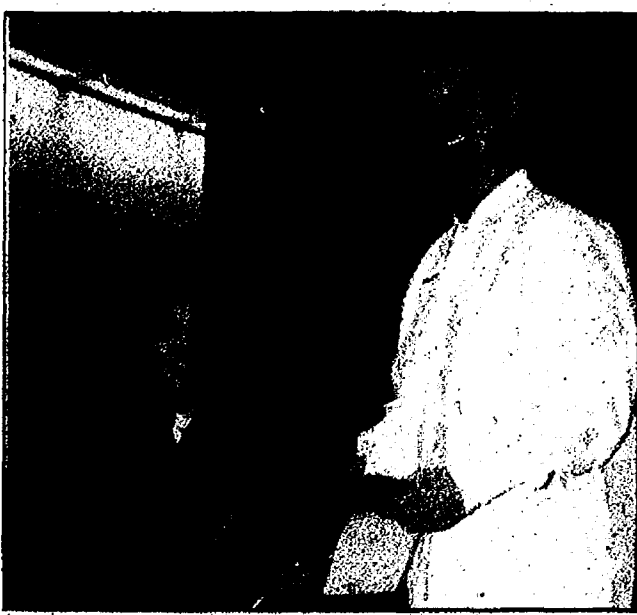
"We usually see over 100 patients each time we hold the event," she said. "We try to limit it to 150."

A lot of the patients who participate in Dental Health Day activities already have several oral hygiene problems they may or may not know about.

"A lot of the people we see do not have the money to see a dentist on a regular basis and do not have the money for follow-up treatment," she said. "We try to educate our patients on the importance of oral health care."

Ann Lokuta, a pre-dental undergraduate student at the university, said this was her first time helping out with the annual event.

"We had a big rush of people in the morning when we first opened the doors," she said. "It's nice to be able to help people in our community who need it."



Jennifer Broners, a student at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, helps Mone Nalgirkar fill out her patient history form.

Lokuta said she is looking forward to attending the dental school and would like to own a private practice after college.

"I like people, and oral health care is important to me," she said.

Lindsay Dotson, a 24-year-old resident of Dundee, said she heard about the event while browsing on the Internet.

"My sister saw it online, and I wanted to come and get an exam," she said. "The students were very friendly and very helpful."

Dotson said she expected the wait time to be longer than it was.

"The whole thing took maybe 20 minutes and another 10 minutes for my X-rays," she said.

Chris Schmitthauser of Florida said his roommate's mother informed him about the

event.

"I'm glad she did," he said. "It's been since the Industrial Age since I've seen a dentist."

Tracy Folie, a resident of Taylor, said he brought his father to the event to have a free oral exam.

"He doesn't have any dental insurance, and he has been complaining about his teeth and gums hurting," Folie said. "At least with the free X-rays, we can see what's bothering him and maybe get it taken care of or corrected."

Mak Nalgirkar of Pittsfield Township brought his two kids to the event after hearing about it from the school nurse.

"I think for those who don't have health insurance, this is a great event," he said.

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Mrs. McDonald's class: Back row left to right: Maxwell Andrews, Kaylin Dever, Bailey Phillips, Lexi Clark, Sam Yax, Quentin Beck, Josh Rigotti, Justin Hoag, Tom Germann. Middle row: Brienne Ackley, Hannah Patterson, Halley Woloszyk, Tammy Casey, Aiden Chisholm-Blockton, Adam Edwards, Joe Schaffer, Ms. Marzke, Adam Paul, Lorenzo Melendez. Front: Zoe Jones, Chrissy Potzin, Becki Stotter, Hunter Poppenger, Jacob Roberts.

November is Native American month. In social studies, the fourth graders at Pierce Lake Elementary are studying Native Americans of Michigan. As part of their study, they made reed baskets. Students learned that Ojibwa mothers-to-be would make a basket as soon as they knew they were pregnant. This basket would hold treasures of the child's life and things from their adulthood. The basket would be buried with the person so that they would have these objects in their after life.

SRSly Cinema moves indoors

Big screen movies returned to Chelsea this past summer during Sounds & Sights under the SRSly Cinema name. Judging by the crowds the Thursday evening films were a big success, so much so that the series is moving indoors for the winter. In fact, the films were so popular that there will be two showings each Saturday including a matinee at Washington Street Education Center (WSEC) and evening films at Chelsea Lanes.

"This was the natural next phase for this family friendly series," says organizer Janice Orbring. "We had a great response from both kids and parents this summer and the schools were more than willing to opening their doors at WSEC."

Ed Greenleaf, Jr. of Chelsea Lanes approached the SRSly Cinema committee during the summer about hosting movies at the bowling alley. The intent was to provide a safe environment for kids to see a film, hang out with their friends and get some exercise while bowling. Films will show on the lanes big screens as kids bowl and the bar will be closed for the night. There will be an entry fee of \$9 which covers the cost of bowling

and shoe rentals. These movies be of the PG and up nature. Films at WSEC are free with a suggested donation of \$1. Popcorn will be sold and the CHS Company C group has volunteered to run the program for the winter. All proceeds will go to cover the costs of the films and use of the facilities.

SRSly Cinema is part of the SRSly coalition with duties and responsibilities shared by the various committees. As with the summer series, movie sponsors

at needed to offset the licensing cost of the film rental. Costs to sponsor a film is \$250 for a full sponsorship, or \$125.00 for a half sponsorship. Sponsors may use the event to have a Christmas or birthday party, or other event.

Through the end of the year, a variety of holiday films and cartoons will be shown at both locations. WSEC films will be rated G or PG and begin at 4 p.m. This Saturday's film at WSEC is "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause."

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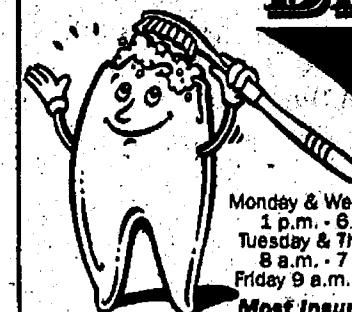
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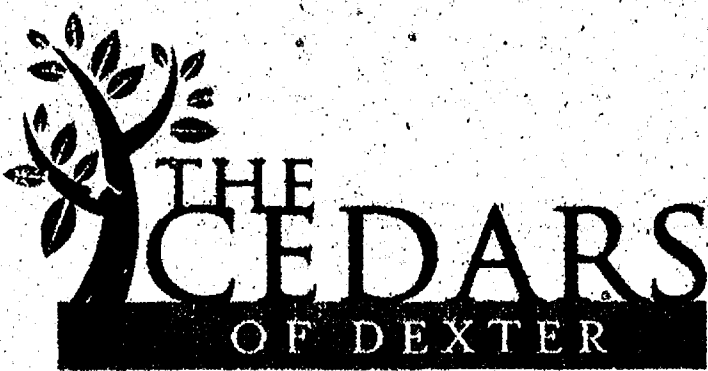
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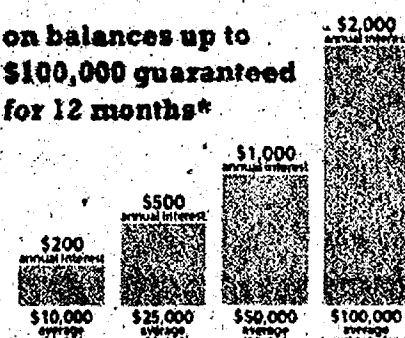
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Young men add strength to YDT's 'Nutcracker'

While many of their peers are doing homework or chatting on Facebook, several Dexter and Chelsea area young men are busy perfecting their Arabesques and learning the best way to catch a young woman in mid-air. They are the cadre of male dancers that dedicate themselves to four performances of Tchaikovsky's holiday classic ballet, 'The Nutcracker.' This year, seven young men will participate in major roles in the ballet, a large number of male participants for Youth Dance Theatre, the dance company that produces this annual performance.

Audiences can enjoy the show on Friday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 5 at 2 or 7 p.m.; or Sunday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m. In addition, attendees can enjoy a special Sugar Plum Fairy Tea prior to each matinee. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$12 for students and seniors. Separate tickets for the Tea are required and are \$10 per person (this event usually sells out so advanced purchase is recommended). They are available at www.youthdanceheater.org, or by calling 475-3070, or at the door before performances.

"Many of my friends don't really understand what's involved in dance," says Ben Wilson, a junior at Dexter High School who will dance in the Grand Pas this year – the first time such a difficult role has been given to a high school student.

"For people who think it's not hard, I tell them that a dancer has to make it look effortless. If you make it look like work, no one will want to watch. It takes strength and athleticism because you have to keep dancing for a long time while lifting or catching another dancer."

Along with dancing, Ben is in marching band at Dexter.

The strength and athleticism involved surprises new dancers, but is also appreciated by those who've been dancing for years. In addition to his Nutcracker roles as the bachelor and a battle soldier, Bourke Lodewyk plays on both the soccer and golf teams at Chelsea High School where he is in 10th grade. Bourke knows that dance has helped in his sports endeavors.

"It's improved my flexibility and coordination which are important for sports," he says. Plus, he adds, "It's really fun and the people are great." Bourke's sister, Laura, also



dances at YDT.

An interest in the performing arts is common among several of the young men in YDT. Ben's brother, Nat Wilson plays oboe, and marches in the tuba section with the Dexter band, as does fellow dancer Austin Sullivan. Dancer Zach Arnold of Grass Lake thinks this interest in other performing arts is natural.

"Dancers have to keep time with the music, sometimes you need to act, and you have to be artistic in your movement. It's a combination of several fine arts at once," says Zach who this year will dance the roles of Marzipan, Arabian, and Battle Soldier.

"And it's a great place to meet girls, let's be honest," he adds with a smile.

Zach was encouraged to join YDT by his great-aunt, Dexter Township Supervisor Pat Kelly, whose daughter danced with YDT for several years. Pat thought this would be a great way for him to meet new friends. She and her husband Joe can often be seen in the Nutcracker themselves, in roles like the Nanny and Mother Ginger.

"Mrs. Kelly got me into YDT too," says Austin Sullivan, a senior at Dexter High School who will appear as Drosselmeier's Nephew and the Nutcracker Prince in his first Nutcracker performance. "I helped backstage a bit last year and Mrs. Kelly said she thought I would be a good dancer, so I tried it. I could tell from being backstage that it was a really fun group."

Austin credits dance with helping him get into better shape. Although he sees himself as athletic, he has not participated in many team sports. Dance provides a way for him to do something physically challenging and also

creative, which he really likes. Like Bourke, he joins a sister, Madeleine who has danced with YDT for three years.

This will be the sixth Nutcracker for Dexter High School freshman Nat Wilson, who has been dancing since kindergarten.

His roles include Hot Chocolate, Cavalier, and a Battle Soldier. He hopes the experience will help as he participates in the prestigious National Ballet School of Canada. Nat will spend four

weeks of his summer at the school. If accepted full time in the fall, he will live apart from his family and attend school classes as well as dance class.

"For me, dance is a lot of work, but it's also fun and something I really love doing," he says. "When I'm dancing, even though it's sometimes hard, I focus only on dancing, not school pressures or other stuff."

Graham Emberton is another YDT member who has auditioned for a prestigious national-level ballet program. He joined his sister Emme Cummings in YDT two years ago and has enjoyed YDT as a way to make new friends.

Matthias Bifolchi, who lives in Solingen, Germany, is an exchange student spending this year with the Ben and Nat Wilson and their family. It was a good match in part, because he has a background in ballroom dance and music. He joined Ben, Nat and Austin in the Dexter marching band this fall, and auditioned for Nutcracker after being in the U.S. for only a week.

"All my friends in German

know about my roles in Nutcracker," he says. "They think it's pretty amazing that I'm already fitting in and doing something like this. My family at home is looking for-

ward to getting the DVD since they can't be here to see me." Matthias has enjoyed making friends within the YDT group, and says all of them have been "welcoming and awesome."

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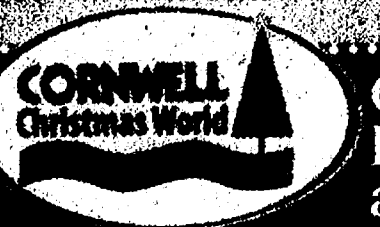
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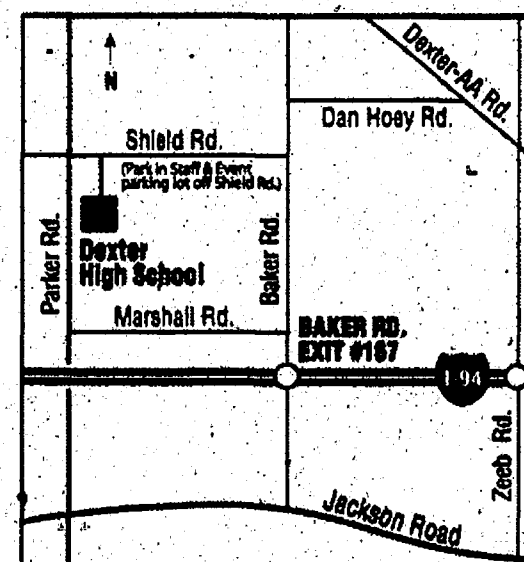
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"I started out as a dental assistant, a certified and registered dental assistant, and worked in private practice for the first three years and then I got a job at the University of Michigan Dental School as a patient and financial administrator," Binion said. "I was there for 12 years and kind of had a calling to go into private practice."

She started working in Manchester for the small-town environment and then went to Chelsea to help TSDG with general assistance and licensing.

She's had her credentials in dentistry for 17 years now.

Over the years the hardest part of being a manager has been making sure that the office is well balanced, she said.

"As a manager you have to make your patients your priority, but you also have a doctor or doctors and a staff that you have to please and make happy," Binion said. "It's hard some days to make everyone happy. It can be like a juggling act, but I keep in mind that we're all on the same team and try to make everyone feel valued and cared for within the practice."

Binion says that she considers herself a people person, so she's in her field to people, particularly the patients.

"I love helping a patients understand what they need for good dental care and what they might want to improve how they feel about themselves," Binion said. "Some people come

in with their teeth in pretty poor shape, and we fix them and that patient is a whole different person. No one told them they could be that happy or look that good."

Binion says it's been amazing to watch the changes in technology and procedures in dentistry over the past 17 years, but it's also been tough seeing dental insurance coverage decline.

"We were really touched at home by this because we're a huge provider for Delta Dental which General Motors provides its employees, which includes my mother, father-in-law and aunt, who are all GM retirees," Binion said. "Not only did it hit our office, but it hit home for us. They came to me because I'm the dental expert."

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Even without insurance, Binion says there are ways to pay for dental work without breaking the bank.

"I have a positive outlook," she said. "In the long run with all of this healthcare reform, I see it as dental being a part of the medical. I see a change in that with a lot of things being self funded. It's doable."

Binion says that as an office manager it's her job to teach people how to manage their

healthcare savings accounts, due to the minimal nature of dental insurance coverage.

She also encourages brushing three times a day, flossing and using mouthwash – more a necessity in light of the state of health insurance, not just for oral health, but financial health as well.

"It's contagious – if you make it a habit you'll always do it," Binion said.

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Company spokesperson Mark Jones said that the proposed Chelsea facility will process products and materials from two other JAYTEC facilities, in Britton Mich. Half of the Britton operation is being relocated in Chelsea as a result of the tax exemption.

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He told Albertson that the result of how the company will part out the process, there will be "no pollution of any type or smoke or oils" used in the process that would be harmful to the environment or atmosphere.

"There are no byproducts that come off of that," Jones added.

Anderson asked Jones what his estimates were for truck traffic from his operations, to which Jones said that the company would have 30 to 35 trucks in transit to and from the Chelsea facility per day.

At this time he added that JAYTEC would eventually have 275 to 325 employees in Chelsea, if all goes according to the company's five-year business plan.

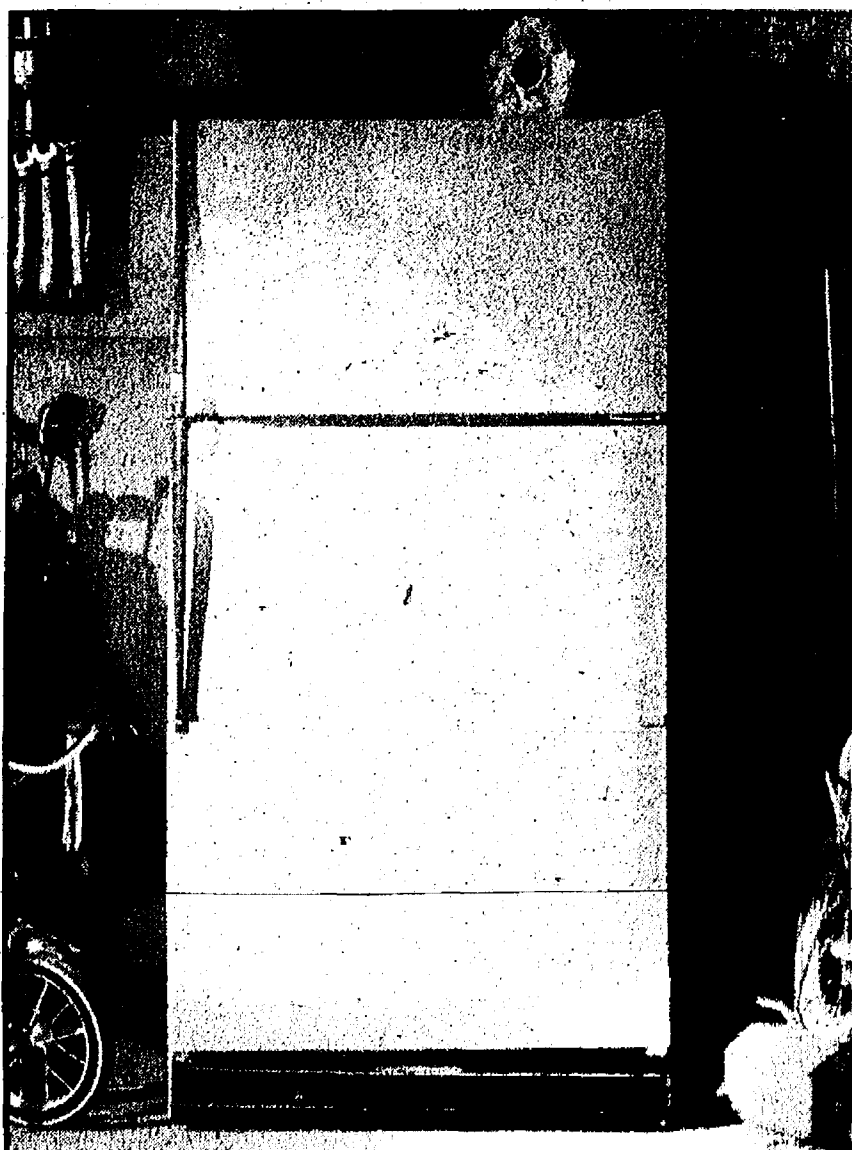
City Council member Ann Feeney asked Jones if he intended to seek the 12th year from the city.

He didn't wish to speculate on how the company would handle that future step.



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OUR COMMUNITY

Chelsea students write about heroes for Veterans Day

Veterans Day is a day set aside to honor our veterans. At South Meadows School in Chelsea, Mrs. Locks gave her sixth-grade language arts students an assignment to find out if anyone in their family or friends served or is serving in the Armed Forces. They were to find out when they served, where they served and what they did. They were to also include specific experiences, and how the veteran felt about what they did.

Students also wrote more than 180 letters and cards of appreciation to patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor. Here are some of the articles written by students at South Meadows.

Emma Adkins: My grandpa was in the Navy. He was an rd2, Petty Officer. Rd2 means he worked with the radar on the ship. My grandpa worked all over the world. Joe Adkins grew up in Kentucky. He enlisted in the Military because he wanted to get out of Kentucky. He joined the Navy instead of the Army because the Navy goes more places. My grandpa served in the Korean War. On his way to Korea he got to see Mount Fuji's eruption. He said the sky looked red and gold like a fire. On his first day arriving he said it was confusing taking in all the new things. The war changed the way he thought, heard, saw things, and the way he did things. I'm proud he fought in the war. But even prouder to have him as my grandfather.

Carter Engler: My great-grandpa, Milton Bass, is a veteran who served in World War II. He was drafted into the Air Force and worked his way up to a technical sergeant with five stripes. He was stationed in India, Egypt, England and France. For an afternoon in Egypt, he got to forget about the war and climbed a pyramid! Grandpa spent a total of 43 months in the service and 30 of those months were outside of the United States. Even though he never saw any combat, he was afraid at times because he usually didn't know what was happening. I am so proud, and I mean, so proud that my great-grandpa Bass served our country and am honored to be his great-grandson.

Mackenzie Herrst: My Grandpa George was in the Navy first and then the Army, his final rank for the Army was Sergeant. He enlisted in the Navy when he was 16 years old to get away from home. He completed boot camp and was sent to Korea, and had been there three months and was scheduled to leave for the front lines. Then one morning his sergeant called him forward and told him he was going home. He had been found out, he was under age. He was sent stateside and received an honorable discharge. Three months later, Grandpa turned 17 and was drafted into the Army. He was sent to Camp Chaffee Arkansas for Boot Camp, from there he was sent to Fort Bliss, Fort Knox, and then his final destination Germany. He got to see Korea, Germany, Tokyo, Italy, Paris, and Amsterdam. Grandpa saw more casualties than he wants to remember, a lot of friends died on that field, a lot of good men. "Never ask a Vet how your service experiences affect your life. Because they could never make you understand." I want to thank my Great Grandpa Charlie (WWII), Grandpa George (Korean), Uncle Charlie (Desert Storm), Uncle Tom (Desert Storm), Uncle Bill (Vietnam), Uncle Dan (Vietnam) and my sister Melissa (Iraq) for their unselfishness and their bravery for serving their country during difficult times. I love you.

Jenna Sexton: My grandpa, James Sexton, was drafted into the Vietnam War. He was drafted in Tennessee where he was born. My grandpa served in Vietnam in Mekong Delta. He said that where he



Mackenzie Herrst (left to right), Emma Adkins and Ella Loveland. Mackenzie is holding a Nazi armband taken from a soldier that her great grandfather had to fight hand to hand. Emma is holding a few of the more than 180 cards and letters students made for patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor. Ella is holding a U.S. flag.

was, was very wet and sad. Each soldier in the war was given a number. My grandpa's number was 11b. That meant that my grandpa's job was infantry, to carry a weapon. My grandpa saw much combat and everyone in his unit was either wounded or killed. I am very lucky that my grandpa was not a prisoner of war. When he returned back to the States, my grandpa was awarded a Purple Heart. He got his award because he was wounded. He stepped on a landmine and it exploded. He was in the hospital for 267 days. I appreciate everything he did for this country and I love him very much!

Jordan Hirst: "They had a draft and (my uncle Jerry Hack) didn't want to get drafted because he would have been sent right to the Vietnam War. He didn't want to be in the war, so he enlisted into the Air Force. He said that he can still remember his first days on the service. He had to go to Boot Camp he said that the first things that they made you do is shave your head down to the last little piece of hair. Then they would give you all of these shots. "At least ten of them," he said. Then you had to do a bunch of drills. He had to get up at 4 a.m. and do exercises for four hours straight! Then he had to do chores. You had to make your bed perfect every day. They had to be done perfectly every day just as no one had slept there last night it had to be as the second you walked into that room and you saw it. The covers had to be so tight that you could bounce a penny on them! He went to the Pentagon. His main assignment was communication specialist. "I had to learn German so I could make new friends and communicate with them outside of my job. They didn't pay you a lot to be in the service but it was enough." His most memorable experience was when a typhoon hit when he was in Japan. "The water was deep! When I waded out to my car I found out that the water was up to the windshield of my car! Of course my car wouldn't start up." He enjoys his life and is very nice. He thinks that we are all lucky to live in the United States of America and he was very proud to work for the U.S.A. service.

Jonathan King: He wrote about his brother Brian, a Private in the National Guard. His first day in the service he said that he was nervous, scared, and he did not know what was getting into. When he was in boot camp he said that it was physically hard, no sleep, and a lot of info at once. When he arrived at the airport in Iraq he said it didn't matter if you were in the front or the back when they opened the door, it was hot!

Sarah Mesko: "There was a veteran and he was my uncle John Proulx, a Corporal in the

US Marines during the Cold War, when the military was gearing up against Russians. He also helped train for the Gulf War. My uncle enlisted into the Marines because there weren't a lot of jobs then and he thought it would be a good opportunity to learn to be in the Armed Forces and he wanted to know what it was like. He thought the Marines were the best for him because he felt it was challenging for him and other people. His job assignment was an Anti tank gunner shot a toe-too missile. He almost went into combat; the closest he got was being put on alert. He was very amazed and impressed of how many different types of people who come together to work in the military, everyone from everywhere. I think he's glad he went through the Marines and accomplished what he did and I'm proud of him too!

Ben Otto: My grandpa, David Otto from Dexter, enlisted in the army in 1954. Because he was 17, he needed his parent's written permission to enter the military. I was completely shocked when I heard that his parents let him go into the military. He served during the Korean Conflict. After Jump School at Fort Bragg, he was sent to Greenland to test out rifles in the very cold weather. My grandpa went to South Korea, and when he got about halfway up to the front line it was announced that the Korean War was over. I am proud of my Grandpa that he was in the military, because all the people in the military are brave. I feel lucky that people are fighting for my freedom.

Nick Imboden: I interviewed my grandpa. He was in the Army and his rank was Corporal. He served in Korea. One of the most memorable experiences he told me was the time he was blown out the hatch of his tank by a landmine. He got cut in the forehead and a concussion to the stomach. His injuries were treated at a M.A.S.H. (Mobile Army Surgical Hospital). Another time he and his group were attack and during the fighting he and 2 others were separated from the group. They were trapped alone behind enemy lines for a week. They had to scavenge for food. At the end of that week they found friendly forces.

Mitchell Mills: I decided to drop in on my grandpa Robert Brown. He served in the U.S. Navy throughout the 1950s. His rank was a 3rd Class Petty Officer, as a radio man (communications) in Hawaii mainly. When he was in the Navy he traveled to Great Lakes Illinois, Vambige Maryland, California, and Hawaii. My grandpa said that traveling to these states was like changing schools. He helped pass Morse code and passed messages for ships

at sea. He never saw a battle in his days in the Navy. His most memorable experience was when they passed the last Hydrogen bomb above ground in the U.S.A. in 1962. He passed Morse code from Hawaii through the bomb blast and it was received in Japan seconds later. I'm happy in my grandpa for taking his time to serve in the Navy and be a true veteran!

Cooper Nickel: My Uncle, Adam Robb was in the US Army. He was a sergeant E5. He joined the Army because he wanted money for college. Boot Camp was 4 months long and very hard. They had no TV, no radio, and no newspapers. He only received mail. He will never forget his 2 drill sergeants - Drill Sgt. Rettig and Drill Sgt. King. Sgt. Robb served in Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm during the Persian Gulf War. When he arrived in Saudi Arabia it was 130 degrees. His duty assignment was 19 Kilo 1-0 or tank driver of an M-1 Abrams main battle tank. He saw combat in Iraq.

Sumner Oesterle: I wish I could have interviewed my grandpa, but he died, so I asked my dad about my grandpa. Grandpa was in the Korean War, his rank was master sergeant. My grandpa was drafted into the war. He went to Fort Knox, and his job was to teach people how to operate vehicles such as tanks, jeeps and other things. He didn't travel anywhere except Fort Knox. His most memorable moment was when he sank in the river and the sergeant had to get him out. He liked his service in the war. The war made him much stronger and healthier.

Maggie Caselli: She wrote about her Papa, who served on Guadalcanal. For the two years that I was there I was cryptography worker, which meant I deciphered codes that the Japanese made and I also made codes that we could use that the Japanese could not figure out. It was a good job, hard but good though many times I felt as though I was the luckiest man among the soldiers because I was safe and I felt guilty for that it was not fair that I should be safe and others should not. I feel very proud when Veterans Day is here because I have so many people who thank me and it is on that day when I feel like I am loved the most.

Olivia McCalla: I think it's important to honor veterans because they served our country, and some risked our lives for ours, and taking their own time out of their lives. It's not just men out there it's women too. Without them we would be taken over by now. They work hard for us and save us. They're brave. Not all people would be as brave as them and risk their lives for our country. They are though.

J.J. Duncan: Veterans are

the people that are honored for what they had done in the armed forces. These people are very special people because of what they have done. My grandpa is a veteran but he died of a heart attack about 15 years ago. He was part of the German army until he had run away and joined the American army where he was fighting in the war.

Corinne Clouse: She wrote about her Grandpa Bud Easton, who was a 1st Class Air Man in the Air Force. "Now he is part of a group that is called the Legion. It has benefits for veterans and kids. Being in the military "has made him grow as a man."

Nicholas Bremer: My great uncle Rick was in the Vietnam War and he was a sergeant, his ranking was E-5. He was drafted and that means he had to go to the war. He was an infantry man he had 12 men, 4 in platoon, and 4 platoons in company. He said he saw some combat and he didn't really like it. He had a lot of casualties in his unit. His most memorable experiences happened when he was on a patrol with just 4 people and they got a call and they needed help. He and his group had to run 8 miles to get to them. When they got to the 2 wounded people, they were getting shot! So they picked them up quickly and ran 15 miles! My great uncle says that war is very dirty, and when people are killed, think, they have friends, family and relatives and they're a person too.

J.J. Niehoff: He wrote about Jim Stewart, a friend of his dad's. He was in the Viet Nam War, serving in the Army, and was a captain. He enlisted by going to West Point. He joined because J.F.K., who was President at the time, said "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." Jim, as most young people did, took the quote very seriously. Jim didn't see much fighting, but he saw a little. There were 530 people in his class from West Point, but only 30 people went on to survive. Jim was awarded the Bronze Star, for working with the Ranger Company. His most memorable experience was getting on the airplane to come home. Afterward, Jim went on to go to law school and become a lawyer. "The military gave me perspective on life," Jim says. "We should never again have another war like Viet Nam."

Ian Brinklow: He wrote about his great grandma Bernadine Strange, who lived in a small cottage in Delton and did very nice things for 17 veterans. My great grandma was a really nice person. She housed many veterans because they came out of the war devastated and some very emotionally damaged. She took them to church almost every Sunday and gave them a new life in painting ceramic

ics and selling them for them to have spending money. She was a big help to these men and they said they didn't mind going to war, fighting or getting sick but they just didn't understand why their families didn't call or write them. That's why she helped them because she wanted to be that kind person who talked and helped them through their tough times. She helped them rebuild their lives.

To honor Veterans

Laney Miller wrote: Veterans are always doing things for the U.S.A. We need to thank them for that they have done and what they're doing. A holiday is a perfect day to celebrate something. On Nov. 11, celebrate our Armed Forces and Thank the Veterans!

Ella Loveland wrote: Why are Veterans important? Because they all risked their lives to serve our country. It's hard to think about but it's true, we are very lucky to be The United States. If they had not served, our lives would be completely different. I'm not sure about you but I like my life the way it is.

What are Veterans? Veterans are men and women. Not just the people that fought, everyone who helped. Do you see that everything that has happened in our past effects us now? How can you Honor Veterans? Show your appreciation. Make cards, type stories, help, ask people you know that are Veterans what it was like make sure they know that they care. The last thing I will say, is to tell and show them your appreciation.

Katelyn Rosentreter wrote: Veterans are important because they risk their life. Not for themselves but to save their family and country. I love the fact that America is a free country. And without the veterans we wouldn't be that.

We are so fortunate to live in such a wealthy, safe, racial accepting country. We are lucky to go to public schools. And from an adults perspective they are lucky to send their children to school. And just think if we didn't have all the veterans willing to serve where do you think that America would be?

Derek Shaeidg wrote: We should honor veterans because they served our country. They did a very brave thing by serving our country. Whether they chose to serve or not they all served. I'm not sure I could risk my life just to keep my country safe. I guess it's all about honor. Veterans should definitely be honored. They put their lives on the line to keep us safe. They did a lot for people that they don't even no. Veterans are some of the bravest people ever and they did a lot for all Americans.

Caden Murphy wrote: Veterans are people that honored their country by being in the Armed Forces and they are all very brave people for doing what they thought was right.

Delia Felesky wrote: For the people who did fight in the wars, I would like them to know that they must have to be very brave and very strong to be able to do things like that. And for the people who served but did not fight in the war I would like them to know that I appreciate everyone who served because even if they did not fight I'm sure that they did a lot of things to help our country.

Kelly Bertoni wrote: By thanking the Veterans it tells all of them that we truly know what they did and that we appreciate it. It's so important to thank the Veterans that served our country no matter what they might have done. I've always tried to thank a Veteran on Veterans Day and I plan to for the years to come, but maybe you might try to thank a Veteran who sacrificed their lives to make this country a better place for all of us.

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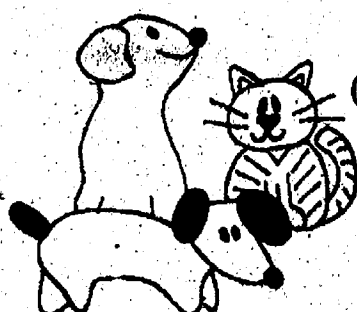
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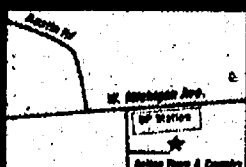
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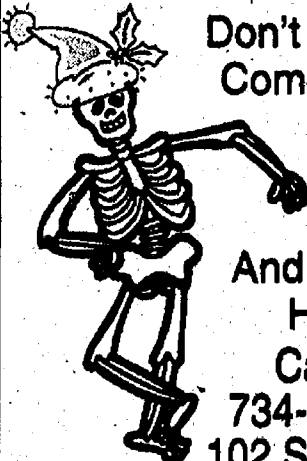
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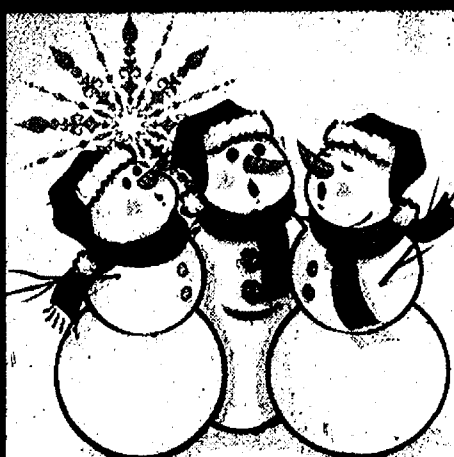
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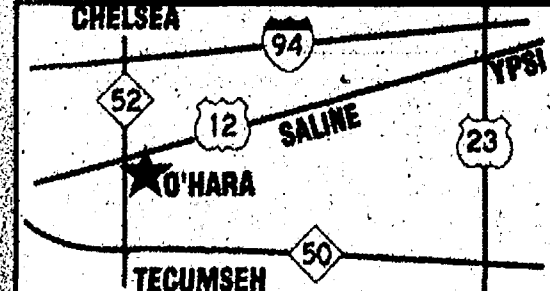
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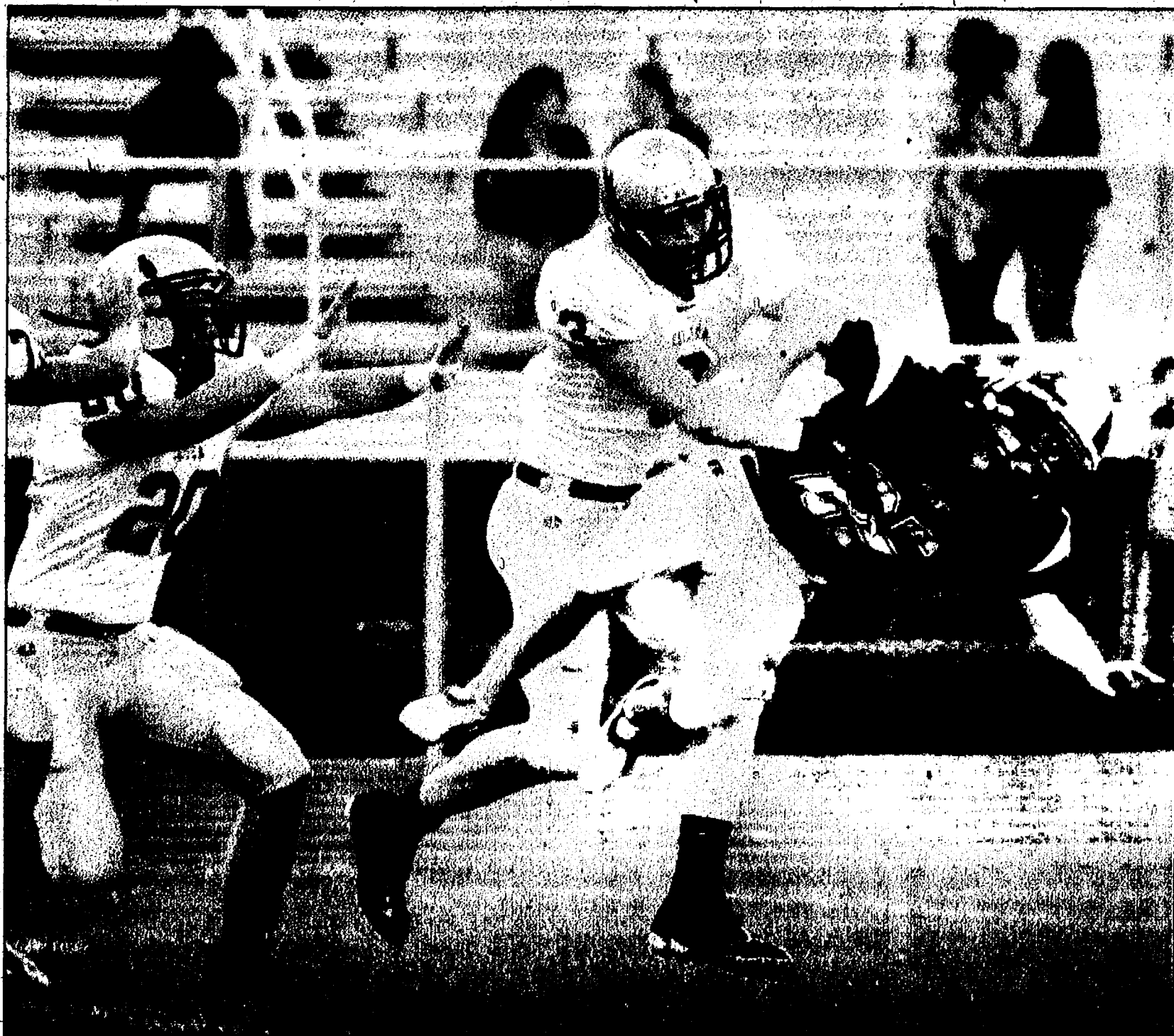
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Athletes make the All-League White teams

By Don Richter
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Chelesa and Dexter football had its fair share of players named to the Southeastern Conference postseason all-league squads this past year.

Making All-SEC White Division first team on offense for the Bulldogs were senior running back Nick Hill (5-foot-8, 185 pounds), senior tight end Nigel Schuh (6-0, 210), offensive lineman senior Tim Shoemaker (6-0, 205) and offensive lineman senior Paul Ulisse (6-0, 240).

Earning first team All-SEC White Division recognition for the Dreadnaughts on offense was junior running back Sequoyah Burke-Combs (5-9, 190).

Receiving All-SEC White Division offensive honorable mention accolades for Chelesa were junior running back Chris Ballow (5-9, 175) and senior receiver Jesse Forner (5-9, 170).

Named All-SEC White Division honorable mention on offense for Dexter were senior

offensive lineman Ryan Wesley (6-2, 260), senior quarterback Alex McMurray (6-2, 200) and senior offensive lineman Mike Ferguson (5-10, 225).

Rounding out the All-SEC White Division first team on offense were Ypsilanti Lincoln senior quarterback Andrew Dillon (6-3, 215), sophomore receiver Kendall Thompson (5-8, 160) and offensive lineman Terrance North (6-3, 285), while making the first team from Tecumseh were senior lineman Kyle Connors and sophomore punter Zac Merrilat. League champion Adrian placed five players on the first team offense, including senior quarterback Drew Collins (5-11, 175), senior receiver Marcus Perez (5-10, 160), lineman senior Tyler Dunbar (6-1, 205), lineman senior Andrew Rothen (6-3, 240) and receiver senior Camron Moorehead (5-11, 185).

Named to the All-SEC White Division first team defense from Chelesa were senior lineman Blake Blaha (6-3, 230), senior lineman Travis Ostrowski (6-1, 200), senior linebacker Trevor Mattson (5-10, 185) and senior safety Zach Giller (6-2, 195).

Earning first team defensive honors from Dexter was senior linebacker Mason Mabry (6-1, 200).

Receiving honorable mention all-league for the Bulldogs were senior linebacker Scott Devol (6-0, 170), junior linebacker Cal Bauer (5-10, 220) and senior cornerback Cody Adams (5-9, 185).

Selected All-SEC honorable mention defensively for the Dreadnaughts were safety senior Dillon Kipke (6-2, 190), senior safety Henry Haley (5-11, 180) and junior kicker Kyle Karagitz (6-1, 160).

Rounding out the first team All-SEC White Division defense were Lincoln senior cornerback Ryan Bottorff (5-11, 185) and senior linebacker Sami Ismail (6-1, 225), while Ypsilanti had senior safety Terrance Moore (6-0, 185) and junior linebacker Marquez Gollman (6-0, 170). Adrian players named to the first team were senior lineman Andre White (5-9, 200), junior lineman Xavier Gonzalez (5-10, 250), senior linebacker Brooks Sutherland (6-0, 200), senior linebacker Greg Glaser (5-10, 185), senior safety Kyle Johnson (5-9, 150) and senior kicker Jared Gonzalez (6-1, 180).

Earning first team All-SEC Red Division on offense from Ann Arbor Pioneer were senior offensive linemen Devin Smith (6-6, 295), Jimmy Splay (6-4, 270) and Esham Farha

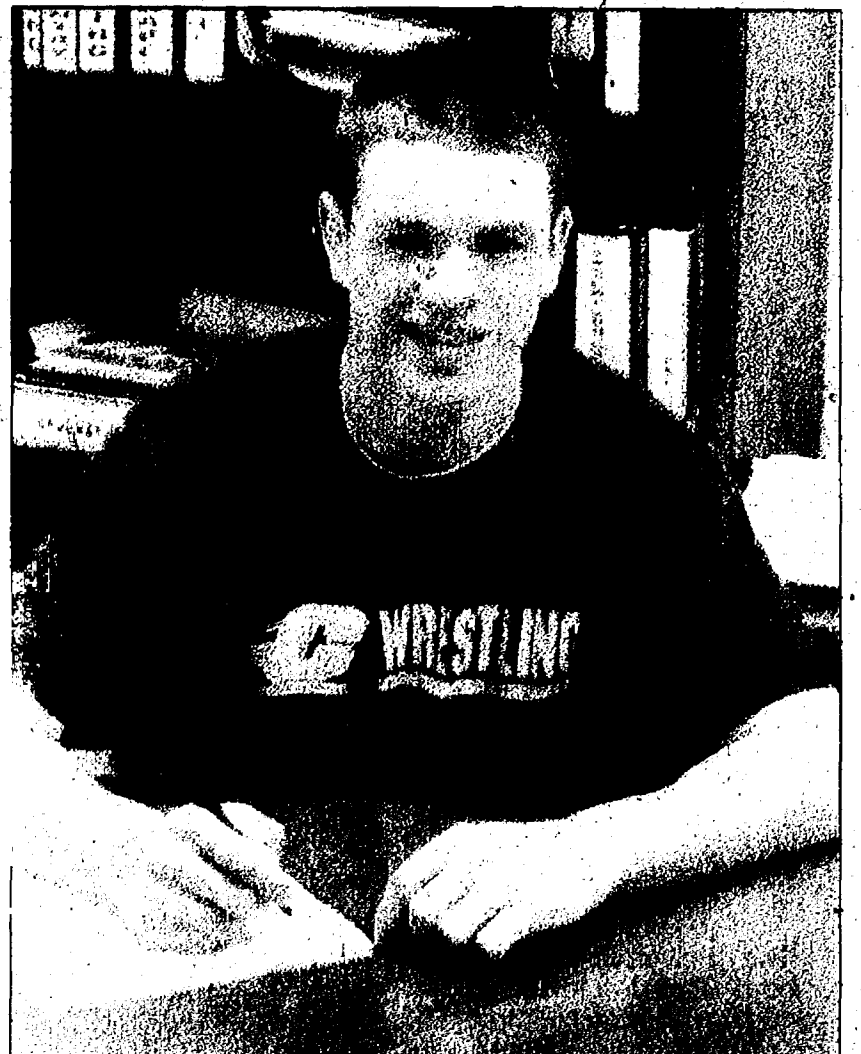
(6-2, 265), junior running back Terrell Moran, senior receiver Brandis Yarrington (5-9, 170) and senior receiver Ricardo Miller (6-3, 210).

Receiving All-SEC first team offensive recognition from league champ Temperance Bedford were senior running back Zach Messer, junior quarterback Jared Kujawa (6-0, 185), senior center Mason Cole (6-4, 260), senior tackle Nathan Kresge (6-3, 300) and senior lineman Kyle Smith (6-0, 250). Earning first team accolades from Ann Arbor Huron were senior receiver Jeremy Jackson (6-3, 200), senior running back Bradford King and senior lineman Christian Piazza, while Saline had senior punter Mike Slater named to the first squad.

Selected to the All-SEC first team defense from Pioneer were senior tackle Ryan Richmond (6-2, 250), senior lineman Oscar Dunlap, senior linebacker Dominique Olive, senior linebacker Kirby Lee, senior cornerback Bailey Paull-Baird and senior kicker Jeremy Ross. Junior safety Travon Hamilton made the first team from Monroe, while from Bedford, senior lineman Kevin Drew (5-10, 170), senior linebacker Steve Rowland (6-2,

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WRESTLING



Chelesa senior wrestler Dakota Cooley signed with Central Michigan University last week.

Cooley signs with Central Michigan Univ.

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By Don Richter
Heritage Newspapers

Chelesa's Dakota Cooley is one of the state's top high school wrestlers. A four-year varsity performer for the Bulldogs, Cooley has an overall career record of 148-14.

Because of his talent, determination and hard work, Cooley caught the attention of some of the nation's best collegiate wrestling programs. Last week, he made it official as to where he would spend the next four years of his wrestling life. With one fell-swoop of his pen, Cooley signed a national letter-of-intent to wrestle for powerhouse Central Michigan University.

The Chippewas, consistently ranked in the nation's top 10 and the dominant program in the Mid-American Conference, are a perfect fit for Cooley.

"They have a rich tradition in wrestling," said Cooley, who had a record of 57-5 last year and finished third in the state in Division 2 at 140 pounds. "They are ranked in the top 10 year after year and they always produce great wrestlers."

Cooley, 17, began his path toward becoming a great wrestler 10 years ago.

"I started wrestling when I was 7," he said. "But that was freestyle. I started collegiate/high school (folkstyle wrestling) in sixth grade. I started wrestling for the Milan club team

under coach Mike Betts. "I have also wrestled with a group of guys on national teams and we have traveled to some cool places to wrestle. My dad has coached our team at these national tournaments."

Cooley, a captain this season for Chelesa, said he has lofty goals for himself and the Bulldog team this year.

"Individually, anything less than a state championship for me this year will be a (disappointment)," he said. "I am going for 200 (career) wins this year. As a team, our goal has to be to win SEC (Southeastern Conference). We haven't done that in a number of years."

Chelesa coach Kerry Kargel said Cooley is a dedicated wrestler who has worked hard to achieve his goals.

"He is a great competitor," he said. "Other wrestlers on the team like to watch him wrestle. What makes him a good wrestler is the extra time he puts into wrestling in the off-season and in-season with quality wrestlers from Michigan."

As a freshman grappler, Cooley (5-foot-9, 150 pounds) had an overall record of 40-4 and missed placing at the state meet by one match. As a sophomore, he finished fifth in the state with a 51-5 record. He said he loves wrestling because it takes a lot of discipline.

"It is truly the hardest sport there is," he said. "I keep doing it because it is something I couldn't live without. All the hard work I have done keeps me going."

Cooley, who also considered

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Kellogg leads the Chelsea tankers into swim finals

By Don Richter
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Chelesa senior swimmer Michelle Kellogg has learned a lot about her sport over the years. She's practiced all the different strokes and swam countless laps in the pool perfecting her craft.

However, it's what the sport has taught her about herself that's truly worthwhile.

"Swimming has showed me how to work hard and expect more from myself," she said.

That lesson has helped propel Kellogg, a four-year varsity performer and Bulldog co-captain, into one of the state's top tankers. This weekend, she will lead the Bulldogs into the Division 2 state meet at Oakland University.

"I'm nervous," she said about

competing at this year's final. "I hope I do well. I'm going to try and get my best times in each event. I also want the team to do well."

At the state meet, Kellogg (5-foot-9) will compete in two individual events and two relay races. Individually, she will participate in the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke, while she'll also swim a leg in the 200 freestyle relay and the 400 freestyle relay.

At last year's state final, Kellogg finished 16th in the 200 individual medley.

Kellogg, 18, said she started in swimming as a first-grader. "My three older brothers were swimming and that got me interested," she said.

Kellogg, who carries a 3.3 grade point average, said what

she likes best about swimming are the friendships she's made over the years.

"It's very crazy, but I enjoy the team cohesiveness," she said. "I'll remember all the good times and experiences with the girls. Summer camp, tubing and socializing."

Kellogg said she's thinking of one simple thing while waiting for a race to start.

"I'm thinking to myself, 'Don't do a flip turn from the backstroke to the breaststroke,'" she said.

Kellogg, who also plays water polo in the spring for Chelesa, said her family inspires and drives her to succeed.

"And Coach (Dave) Jolly pushes me, too," she said.

Michigan State University, Western Michigan University,

Eastern Michigan University, Oakland University and Grand Valley State University are a few of the colleges Kellogg is considering attending after graduating from high school. She said she plans to swim at the next level.

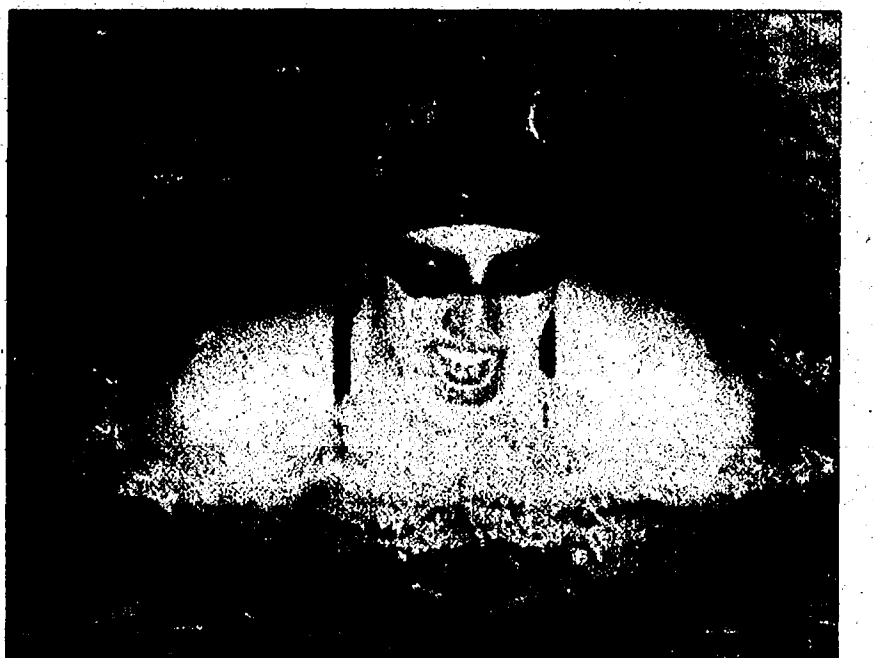
"I'm worried about the challenges of a college swimming program, but I plan to try swimming," she said.

Kellogg said her most memorable moment so far as a Chelsea tanker was after a race.

"Getting out of the pool after a relay event and celebrating with my teammates," she said.

Let's hope she's able to relive that one more time at this weekend's state final.

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Chelesa senior Michelle Kellogg will compete in the 200 individual medley, 100 breaststroke, 200 freestyle relay and 400 freestyle relay at this weekend's state meet at Oakland University.

Area Sports Snapshots



The Chelsea Soccer Club boys' Blue U-12 team captured the division championship with an 8-2 overall record. The squad scored 51 goals on the year and only allowed 17. Members of the team include, front row, Mitchell Taylor (left), Campbell Fahie, J.J. Duncan, Dar Downer, Sam Beale and Daniel Carrara; back row, coach Willem van Reesema (left), Cooper Nickel, Kelson Rose, Austin Gler, Noah van Reesema, Devon Gosnick, Ethan French and coach John Nickel.

Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson
Chelsea's Judy Kim lines up a putt during golf action earlier this season.



Chelsea senior Geoffrey Smith-Wooliams, a four-year varsity runner for the Bulldogs, received the Southeastern Conference Scholar-Athlete Award, the SEC Sportsmanship of the Year Award and was selected to the All-SEC second team this past season.

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Chelsea's Kaitlin Connin swims toward the finish in a meet last month. The Bulldogs will compete in the state swim finals this weekend at Oakland University.



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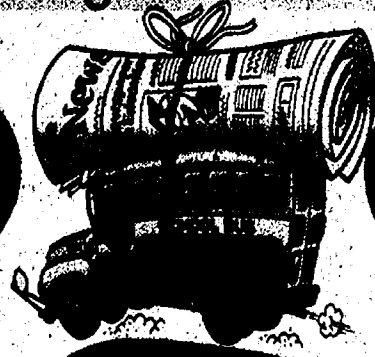
Chelsea's Nathaniel Bero, 10, kneels next to his first deer. The doe was harvested with a bow and arrow in Menominee County Oct. 23. Nathaniel hunted with his father Jeffrey Bero.



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Gary Reed kneels next to an elk he harvested a few years ago.

Hunt yields good times, with or without that trophy deer

The year was 2007 and the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce had given an award to Gary Reed. Gary won the Small Business Leader Award as owner of Gary Reed's Barbering located on Main St.

The awards banquet was a great excuse for me to eat good food and drink fine wine, let alone meet up with other Chamber members and talk about local issues.

Little did I know that I would hear the greatest speech of my life.

Bob Pierce, executive director for the Chelsea Chamber, introduced Gary. The rest, as they say, is history.

Gary was calm and spoke with humbled clarity when he described the love he had for his supportive family, community and faith. He elaborated on his relationships with customers, how they've grown and have their own kids now. He went on and on about how he's been touched by the people in his life and work.

Gary also has a great love for the outdoors. He's an avid hunter and loves to get out there when he has the opportunity. Gary was one of a very few Michigan hunters who won the draw to hunt a Michigan elk a couple years ago. Not only did Gary draw a coveted Elk tag, he also harvested a magnificent bull.

TAYLOR MADE ADVENTURES



RICK TAYLOR

Gary hurt his arm earlier this year and was out of commission for a few months. But, he fought through the pain and is doing what he does best — taking care of his customers.

Gary and I have talked about hunting together for a few years and we finally had the opportunity to bow hunt last week.

Gary doesn't have the strength to draw a bow back, but he can shoot a cross bow effectively. Gary practiced with the cross bow and can shoot effectively out to 25 yards. We met up at my Reinhart office, loaded up my Grand Cherokee and we were Dexter bound.

It was fun talking to Gary about family, work and hunting. We pulled into my little 'honey hole' only to see a doe next to the driveway.

How's that for a preview of things to come?

Before we knew it we had made our way to my hunting stand.

I told Gary to expect deer from here and there and did my best to acclimate him with our new hunting location.

I found it funny that Gary likes to talk just as much as I do. We shouldn't have seen any deer that afternoon, but we did. We saw a doe within five minutes of being in our stand. It was large and we loved the early action. Soon after, we had two button bucks feeding within 11 yards. We even had a beautiful 8-point buck come into play soon after that.

We had six deer in front of us at the same time and our hearts were racing with excitement and anticipation. We couldn't get a bead on the 8-point buck because the two fawns were only 10 yards in front of us for most of the time. They finally moved on and the 8-point came into range — or so I thought.

My range finder said the buck was at 44 yards, but we had a problem. The buck was nervous and surely would have jumped the string if either of us tried to take the shot. The other issue at hand was that Gary didn't feel comfortable taking such a long shot with the cross bow he just got. All in all, we had to let the buck go.

Let me be the first to say that it takes a real hunter to let that buck walk away rather than risk

merely wounding it. A mature hunter will know when to pull the trigger and when not to. I have a great respect for Gary for not taking the shot.

We had an amazingly good time and I can't wait for us to get out there again for Part 2 and see if we can harvest a deer this fall.

Stay tuned for next week's column in which I write about taking Heritage Newspapers-West Sports Editor Don Richter on his first bow hunting experience. It was a hunt Don and I won't soon forget.

Your comments and story ideas are warmly welcomed. Also, your photos are welcomed, too, in our new Taylor Made Outdoor Corner. Feel free to e-mail me at rtaylor@reinhardtrealors.com or call (734) 223-5656.

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Travel baseball team sets meeting

On Dec. 6 1:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Library, an organizational meeting for the age groups of U-14 and U-16 Chelsea baseball travel teams will meet.

Its purpose as a non-profit club is to involve the parents and community members, as well as the team players, in the raising of funding to pay for the fees (\$250.00) asked by the Chelsea Recreation Department player participation in the Washtenaw County Baseball Association (WABA). Also,

important is to raise funds for uniforms and equipment, as well as tournament games.

The U-14 and U-16 teams will consist of players with exceptional talents who will play against competitive teams in Washtenaw County.

At the meeting Dec. 6, the group needs the interested ball players and their parents to attend so that it can get a general idea how many players will participate in the 2010 summer baseball recreational program.

In order for this non-profit club to succeed, the parents and

ball players' assistance in fund-raising ideas is vital, along with the election of officers and committee members.

Practice begins in February so fund-raising needs to begin soon. This club is not affiliated with the Chelsea Recreation Department although intentions are to cooperate with the CRD to make summer baseball in Chelsea a time to create memories to last a lifetime.

Any questions, please contact in the evening David Lukasiak at 517-522-8252

HONORS

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185), cornerback Messer and lineman Cole also made the first team.

Senior linebacker Andrew Gleichert and Ryan Nikischer earned spots on the first team from Huron, while cornerback

er Cory Davis from Saline also made the first team.

Earning the SEC Sportsmanship Award for Chelsea was senior Brian Bazydio, while senior Alex Frost was selected from Dexter.

Adrian ended up with a 5-0 mark to win the White Division title. Chelsea was second with a 4-1 mark, while Lincoln and Tecumseh shared third place

with 2-3 records and Dexter and Ypsilanti finished last with 1-4 marks.

In the Red Division, Bedford was first with a 6-0 record, while Pioneer was second with a 5-1 mark, Huron and Monroe tied for third with 3-3 marks, Saline was last with a 1-5 record.

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COOLEY

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Eastern Michigan University, the University of Michigan, Northern Illinois, the University of Maryland, George Mason and Arizona; said he is self-driven when it comes to his fire inside.

"My motivation is constantly thinking about how hard I've worked and for how long," he said.

Cooley, who'll wrestle at 145 pounds and 152 pounds this year and scale down to 140 pounds for the state meet, said his most memorable moment as a Chelsea grappler occurred last season.

"Probably it was when as a

team last year we beat three or four ranked teams within two weeks," he said.

Cooley, also a two-year starting cornerback for the state-ranked Bulldog football team, said there were highs and lows during the recruiting process.

"The best part was creating friendships with all the different coaching staffs," he said. "But then it was difficult having to call and tell them I committed to CMU."

Kargel said Cooley would be a strong college grappler.

"His strengths are his quickness with his hands and feet and his desire for wrestling," he said.

Fearing no one, but respecting all, Cooley said his toughest opponent looks at him in the mirror every morning.

"There really hasn't been a certain person (who's his toughest opponent)," he said. "The only one who would hold me back this year is myself. I have to be physically and mentally peaked by March (state meet)."

Cooley said he doesn't believe in superstitions or going through rituals before each match.

"I try not to have any superstitions because I would think about it too much and I don't need the distractions," he said. "I like to think, no matter what, that I make my own luck."

And, in doing so, earn a wrestling scholarship to Central Michigan University.

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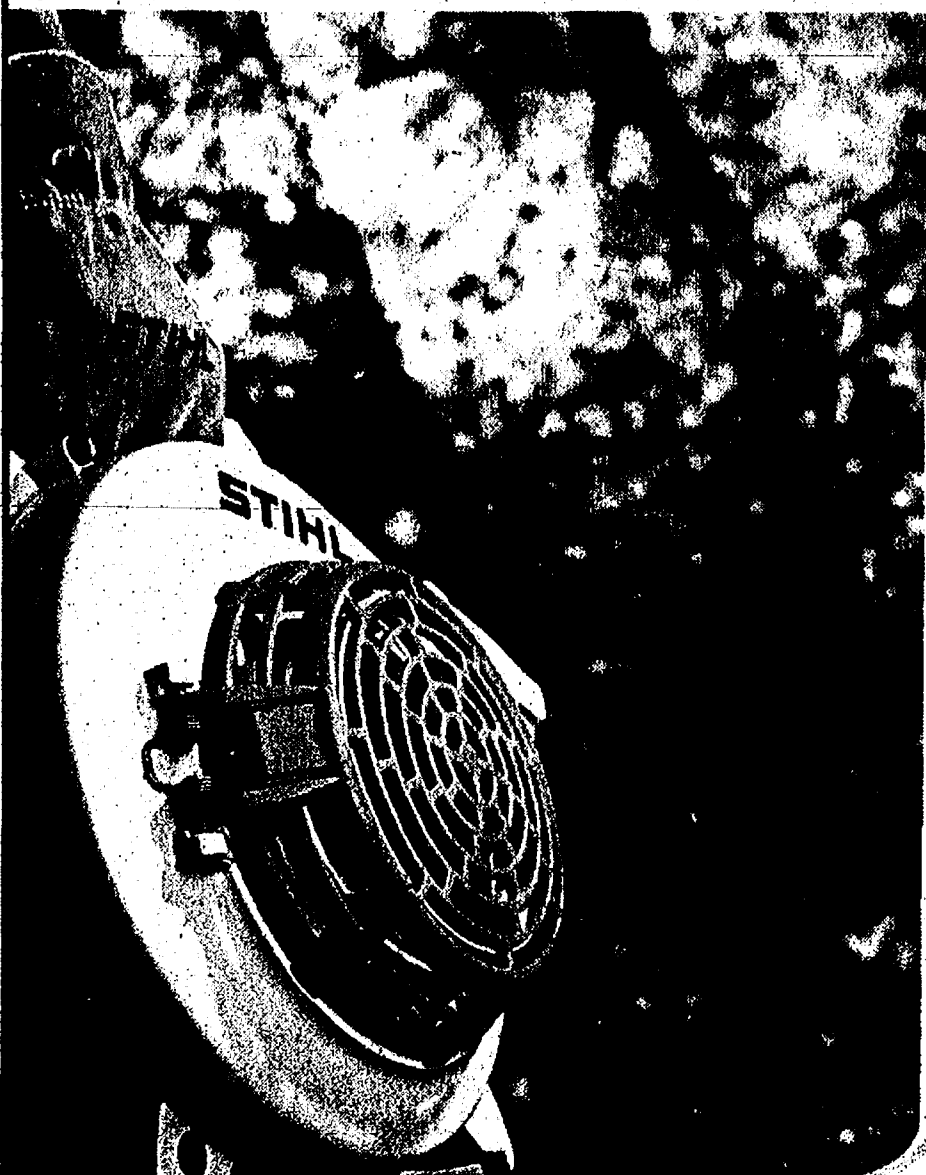
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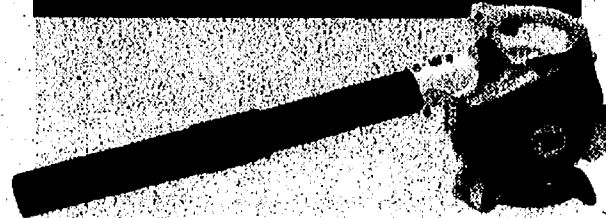
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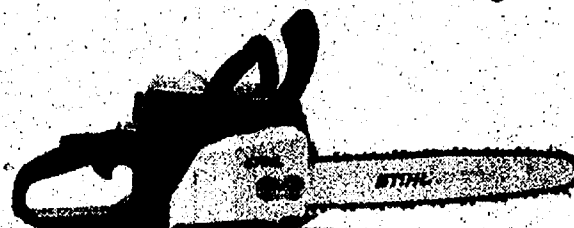


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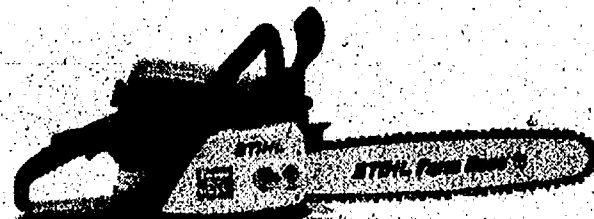
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PREP BASKETBALL IN FOCUS: MOHAMED CONDE

Center of attention

Belleville's Conde area's best big man

By Dave Merchant
Heritage Newspapers

When teams play the Belleville Tigers in basketball they know for sure that there will be a big presence in the middle. That presence is 6-foot, 7-inch Mohamed Conde who will be starting at center for his fourth consecutive year on the varsity this season.

He has been playing basketball since the sixth grade. On varsity in high school he plays center but for his AAU team (Common Bond) he usually plays the three or four spot. "I am usually the tallest person on the floor unless I am playing Country Day," he said. "Saginaw had some height but for the most part I am the tallest one on the floor."

Conde came to this country from Conakry, Guinea that is a country in West Africa near the Atlantic Ocean. When he came to this country he admitted that he knew nothing about basketball.

"I would go out during recess and just shoot the ball around," he said. "I started playing with Common Bond and getting better."

His guardian is the coach of that team, Tyrone Hicks. He attributes a lot of his game and skill to Hicks as well as his two varsity coaches Don Hickman and Mike Krogel.

Conde's mom travels back

and forth from the United States to other countries quite often. He has three sisters and one younger brother in his family.

One of the teams that he loves to play against is Ypsilanti and he admits he doesn't like to lose to them. The main reason is because he used to live in Ypsi so he still knows all the players from there and he doesn't like being teased by them if he loses.

"Whenever I play Ypsi I want to beat them so bad," he said. "I still know a lot of people from there and I have my sister and aunt there. I don't ever want to lose to Ypsi."

He is currently being recruited by a number of colleges all over the country but admits he wants to stay on the East Coast so he can be close to his family in Pennsylvania. Conde wants to play hoops in college and after that become a probation officer that works with teenagers.

"I would love to play in Europe for a couple years after I graduate," he said. "But if that doesn't happen I want to be a probation officer."

Conde admits he is good at math because it comes easy to him. His favorite classes in high school have been Algebra and Geometry.

He admits that he has surrounded himself with a lot of good people.

"All my life people in my life have influenced me," he said.

"I have had good people around me."

Conde is a student of the game and he is always watching tape of the games so he can get better.

"Coach Hickman is always working on it with me so I don't make the same mistakes," he said. "I want to go to the next level in basketball and improve my IQ on basketball."

Colleges have been looking at him since he was a freshman. The scouts do not make him nervous instead he focuses on the games.

One of Conde's favorite television shows is Sports Center on ESPN. His favorite players in the NBA are in this order Ben Wallace, Kevin Garnett and Kobe Bryant.

Other area coaches have paid attention to Conde as well.

Ypsilanti varsity hoop coach Steve Brooks said that he has been impressed with the way Conde has improved over the last three years at Belleville.

"The key to his success is to create problems," Brooks said. "He is a team kid. He could probably score more but he has accepted his role."

"I had a chance to see him in the summer and he is really athletic."

Brooks said that he came into the league when some really good players like Ricky Love and Booker Stoudmire were playing for the Tigers. This

season he said Conde will have to step up.

"He is a great competitor," he said. "He is the emotional leader of his team. Mohamed is a nice kid and very respectful."

Belleville Tiger hoop Coach Don Hickman had very high praise for Conde as a player and a person.

"He is one of my favorite kids," Hickman said. "He is in his fourth year with us and he is very 'Yes, sir, No, sir.' A coach's dream."

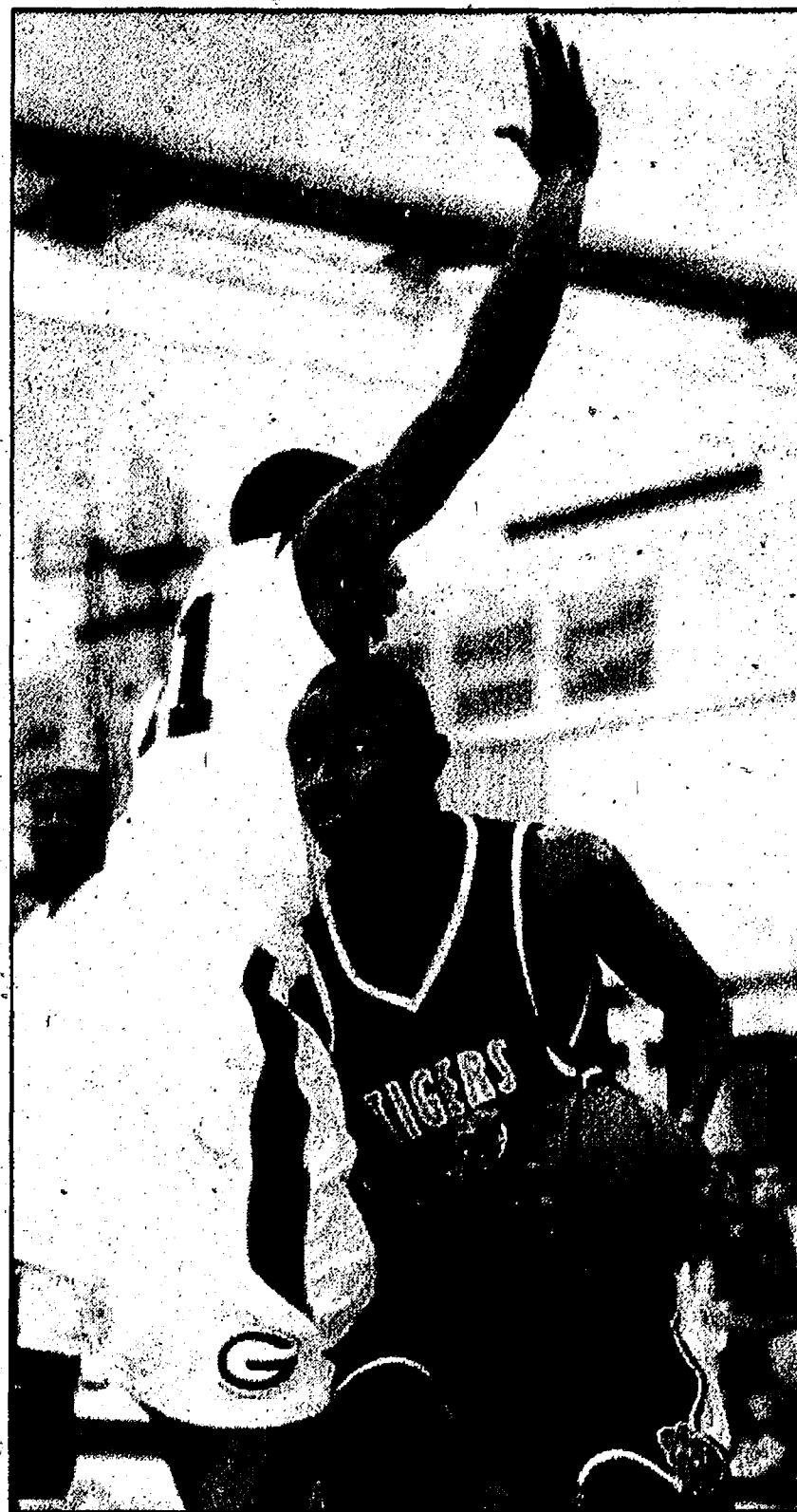
Hickman said that Mo has done a good job of holding onto his traditional values of West Africa and has a real level head on him.

"His basketball IQ has come a long way and so have all his skills," he said. "When he first came in he was six-foot, seven inches and all arms and all legs and weighed 150 pounds."

According to Hickman he has made a great deal of improvement and increased at least 20 pounds in weight.

"From a physical standpoint those 20 pounds have allowed him to take another step forward," he said. "As a senior he is going to be more confident than last year," he said.

That confidence will be causing teams in the area fits for the season. Look for Conde to excel this year and most certainly start playing college as a freshman this time next fall.



When teams play the Belleville Tigers in basketball they know for sure that there will be a big presence in the middle. That presence is 6-foot, 7-inch Mohamed Conde who will be starting at center for his fourth consecutive year on the varsity this season.

Beginner's luck? Pigskin Picks champion crowned

Well, the season is finally over in Washtenaw County. And no, I don't mean the area prep football season.

Well, I guess I do - sort of. No, I mean something much more important. Something much more life-altering. Something that really didn't mean that much to me, anyway.

I'm serious. I couldn't have cared less. I never gave this "season" a second thought.

In fact, I never lost one wink of sleep over it.

I'm serious. I couldn't have cared less. Seriously.

With Manchester's 49-6 Division 6 state regional final loss last Friday night to Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, the high school football season in Washtenaw County officially came to a close.

Coinciding with the Flying Dutchmen's season-ending loss was the conclusion of the Heritage Newspapers-West sports staff's Pigskin Picks competition.

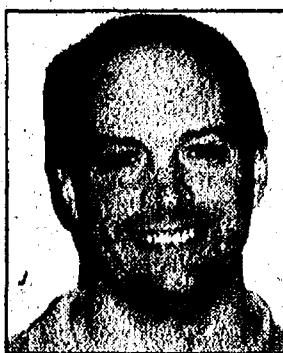
After 12 weeks, a winner has finally been crowned.

And Don Richter is his name...oh alright, I'll play nice. The overall winner of the Heritage Newspapers-West first ever Pigskin Picks challenge is...

The overall winner of the Heritage Newspapers-West first ever Pigskin Picks challenge is... drum roll, please... Ann Arbor Journal sports writer Mike Larson.

I'm super serious. Anyway, congratulations to Mike, who finished off the Pigskin Picks' final week with a perfect 8-0 record. Mike led virtually the entire season and deserved to win the title. Placing second, one game

CHALK TALK



DON RICHTER

Mike Larson.

With an overall season record of 92-26, Larson, the new kid on the block, captured the Pigskin Picks championship. Hired back in July, Larson, originally

from Marlette, a small town in Michigan's Thumb region, showed his skill (beginner's luck?) by out-dueling three area sports writers and one sports editor who shall remain nameless.

I couldn't have cared less, though. The competition meant nothing to me.

behind Larson, was Saline Reporter/Milan News-Leader sports writer Jana Miller with a 91-27 overall record. Like Mike, Miller ended the season strong with a perfect 8-0 Week 12 record.

The only "Twilight" loving and "Harry Potter" quoting member of the sports staff, Miller gave Larson a good run for his money.

Placing third was yours truly with an overall record of 89-29. My excuse is that I refused to pick Michigan State after it lost to Iowa on the last play of the game earlier this season.

Of course, I never really

cared anyway about this competition.

Ending up fourth was Manchester Enterprise sports writer Ed Patino with an 88-30 record.

With my one-game victory over Patino, I get the pleasure of devouring a bag full of Bray's hamburgers. Yum.

Ed and I had a bet going on throughout the Pigskin Picks season about who would have the better record at the end of the year. Since we're both from Westland (well, technically Ed went to elementary school in Westland, but graduated from Livonia Churchill which is

basically Westland, anyhow - got it?), we decided the loser would have to buy the winner a Bray burger or two. For those of you unhip to the Bray burger legend, think White Castle, but a thousand times better tasting. Throw in some fries and a bowl of chili and it's a done deal.

I know - it's a Westland thing.

Rounding out the field was Ypsilanti Courier/Bellefonte View sports writer Dave Merchant with an overall record of 86-32.

Dave was the Barry Bonds of the group, swinging for the seats on some of his picks. A

field goal or touchdown here or there and he might have been wearing the Heritage Newspapers-West Pigskin Picks crown.

Anyway, it was a fun inaugural season. We were all pretty close.

Since I'm a good sport, I might even share my Bray burger bounty with Mike, in celebration of his win.

I might... Of course, it never really mattered to me, anyway.

I'm serious. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 429-7380 or at drichter@heritage.com.

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The Gospel is truly God's good news for us

By Jeff Crowder

"...and through him to reconcile to himself all things (Colossians 1:20 NIV).

I'll be the first to admit it. There are just some things I don't understand in life.

- Children who are abused.
- Politicians who abuse the trust they're given by constituents.
- Why one person dies early and another gets to live to a ripe old age.
- People who get disproportionately angry and end up hurting themselves because of their rage.

MINISTERIAL MESSAGE

Just to name a few. (I've got a lot more and you probably do too.)

A friend of mine once told me that his mom took such oddities in her life and mentally dumped them into what she called her "Mystery Bag." "These are the things and the people I don't understand and figure I just never will."

I decided I need to get me one of those "mystery bags."

I have people and situations that just don't make sense to me and after living for a little more than four decades, some of them will probably continue to puzzle me.

But as a person of faith, on days when I'm overwhelmed by those "mysteries" that can frustrate me, wound me, or leave me angry, I have to take a step back and be reminded that somehow, somewhere, in some way, God is reconciling all things to himself.

"All" is one of those funny words that sometimes seems to throw everything off. Think about it.

I could say "God works some things for our good" and that would be easy to believe. But if I said, "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him and have been called," that would be a little more difficult for us to stomach at times, right?

So there is this audacious statement: God is reconciling all things to himself.

All things? Really? I am tempted to ask God, "Do you know what I know? Do you STILL want to say 'all things'?"

I decided I needed a better understanding of the word

"reconcile" so I looked it up. Webster's Dictionary says that "to reconcile" is to "Restore to a state of harmony after a break in relations."

Broken. A break. Maybe now we're getting somewhere.

It is certainly easy for me to slap the "broken" label on some of the things (and some of the people) I put in my mystery bag. The economy: broken. Angry people and foreclosed houses: broken. Hopes of families who have lost their jobs: broken. People who look for help in the wrong places, wrong things, and wrong people: broken. People who seem to always

see the worst, believe the worst, and react in the worst possible way: broken, broken, broken.

So for now it's like we're looking through a dark glass or window. We know things aren't quite right. But we trust, we hope, we believe that the Gospel is truly God's Good News for us. That God is reconciling all things to himself. Not just "some." Not even "most." All.

May it be so. And may you and I look at those difficult people and difficult situations a little differently today.

Jeff Crowder is the pastor at The Church of the Nazarene in Chelsea.



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The play, put on by the Chelsea Area Players Youth Theatre, is based on the classic tale by Barbara Robinson about what happens when the six Herdman children, "the worst kids in the whole history of the world," begin attending church because they discover that the minister passes out treats. Hilarious chaos ensues when the delinquent Herdman children take over the church's annual Christmas celebration.

Producer Teresa Benedict is excited about the new and returning members of the Youth Theatre. "It's been delightful to be involved and see how much the kids help each other out and are thoroughly enjoying the play."

Veteran actor David Hill, who portrays Bob Bradley, the husband who would rather be in his bathrobe on his couch than attend the pageant, says he wanted to do the show because it tells the wonderful Christmas story. "But it's different," he says. "There are lots of twists and surprises. And when Mom is on the phone and the family keeps interrupting her, it's very realistic. That kind of thing happens in real life, and watching it in the play is really funny."

Colleen Berton, one of the new members in the troupe, plays the Reverend Hopkins.



ABOVE: Church members must learn to cope with the chaos when the Herdman children take over their Christmas Pageant. **RIGHT:** The delinquent Herdman clan wreaks havoc at the town's Christmas Pageant in the CAP Youth Theatre production of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever."

"I've loved this story since I first heard it when I was in third grade," she says. Berton is pleased with her role as the minister, but says she likes the play so much that she would have happily taken any role offered to her.

June Weiland is directing the show. She has previously directed children, teens and adults in over 50 productions. "This group of young actors is so talented," she says. "They take direction well, work as a supportive unit, and are creating wonderful characterizations that will delight young and old alike."

Weiland is assisted by Alex Moore, who directed children's shows at the Santa Monica Playhouse in California before moving to Chelsea over six years ago. "I do theatre games and warm-up activities with the kids, block scenes, take notes on the script, and help with whatever June needs," she says.

Moore is thrilled to have this opportunity to work with children again. "It's great to see what kids in the community can do. They are volunteering lots of their free time to do this."

The performance will take place at Beach Middle School.

Fast Facts

What: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" by Barbara Robinson; produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

Who: Chelsea Area Players Youth Theatre; with a cast of 25, as well as 45 "little angels." Teresa Benedict, Producer; June Weiland, Artistic Director; Alex Moore, Assistant Director; Costumes, Teresa Benedict and Brian Myers, with help from Manchester Emmanuel United Church of Christ; Pianist, Karl Green.

Where: Beach Middle School Auditorium, 445 Mayer Drive, Chelsea

When: Friday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 5 at 2 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m. Doors open 30 minutes before show time.

Tickets: \$5 general admission; available at Chelsea Pharmacy, online at www.chelseaaareplayers.org, and at the door.

Why: "To gain a wonderful feeling of enlightenment and gratitude," says Teresa Benedict.

Weiland says it is the perfect venue for this show because the stage is the right size and it provides an intimate location and seating configuration. The show lasts approximately one hour and there will be no intermission.

Weiland summarizes the meaning behind Robinson's story: "This play provides an endearing lesson in how people from all backgrounds in a community can work together to keep the significance of the Christmas story alive. (The story) shows people that even though change is inevitable in life, the results can be the best ever!"



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CCA Autumn Jubilee tomorrow

The Chelsea Center for the Arts presents the 15th annual Autumn Jubilee to benefit the CCA from 6 p.m. to midnight tomorrow. The fund-raiser will be at the Chelsea Comfort Inn's Village Conference Center, 1645 Commerce Park Dr. in Chelsea. The evening will include live Motown music, tasty cuisine, outstanding performances, and amazing auction items.

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Artistic

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Dexter Senior Center

7720 Ann Arbor Street. Call (734) 426-7737. NOTE: Luncheons are complete - main dish listed

\$2.50 minimum donation - reservations day ahead by noon - call 426-5397

Monday: 8:30 a.m. swimming, Wylie Pool; 9:15 - walking; 9:30 - Coffee hour with Rep. Pam Byrnes; 10:30 - Exercise; 11:30 - Lunch-Meatball sub.

Tuesday: 10 a.m. - Lifestyle Fitness; Rug hookers; 11:00 - Tai Chi; 11:30 Lunch-Chicken piccata; 12:00 - French.

Wednesday: 8:30 - Swimming, Wylie Pool; 9 - Medicare Assistance; 10:30, Exercise; 11:30 Lunch: Mastacioli with meat sauce; 1 Watercolor painting; Yoga; German; 5:15 - Fitness Challenge.

Thursday: Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, Nov. 27: Noon to 2 p.m. "Seniors get Stuffed" at the Center. For the 10th year in a row, on the day after Thanksgiving, seniors 55 years of age or older or disabled are invited to gather at the Dexter Senior Center to "Get Stuffed." It's an annual event where community leaders and local business folks serve a traditional Thanksgiving dinner feast to the seniors of the Dexter area. Guests can enjoy a dinner including turkey and all the trimmings provided by Busch's food market and prepared by the Lighthouse staff and kitchen crew from St. Andrew's United Church of Christ. The dinner is free and the Dexter Lions Club, Kiwanis Club of Dexter, Boy Scout Troop No. 477, Dexter High School Key Club and other volunteers make this event possible.

There will be no regular programs at the Center that day and the WAVE bus will not be operating. If you come with a driver, the driver eats free. Those who are homebound can have dinner delivered by calling Cindy at 426-5397.

Dexter District Library

The Dexter District Library is located at 3255 Alpine Street in Dexter. All Library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call 734-426-4477.

Tonight: 6:30 p.m., Teen Movie & Popcorn Night, "Spirted Away."
Friday: 2 p.m. Wild Swan Theater Presents: "American Short and Tall Tales" for ages. Refreshments.

Saturday: 1 - 2 p.m. Books & Chocolate for Teens. Bring your favorite book and talk about it!

Wednesday: 11 a.m. Drop-In Thanksgiving Story Time and Craft. For all ages.
Thursday, Nov. 26: Library closed

Saturday, Nov. 28: 2 - 4 p.m. Drop-In Rock Band II for ages 10 and up.

Parks

Eddy Discovery Center

17030 Bush Road in the Waterloo Recreation Area near Chelsea. Call 734-475-3170.

TRACKS & SCATS: Saturday, 2 p.m. Mammals and birds leave many clues that we can observe. Let's take a closer look, and match the wildlife with the evidence they leave behind.

Hudson Mills Metropark

8801 N. Territorial Road, Dexter. For additional information or to register for programs, call 1-800-477-3191.

Notice of Public Hearing

On a proposed revised Zoning Ordinance

An application has been filed by the City of Chelsea Planning and Zoning Department for revisions to the City of Chelsea Zoning Ordinance #79.

The Public Hearing will be held by the Chelsea Planning Commission on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. in the Board Room, Washington St., Education Center, 500 Washington St., Chelsea, MI.

A copy of the proposed text revisions is available at City Hall, 305 S. Main St., Ste 100, Chelsea, MI, lower level, or online at www.city-chelsea.org.

This revision is to the zoning text only. There are NO proposed changes to the zoning map.

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. MAIN ST., STE. 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

Persons requiring reasonable accommodation to disabilities in order that the hearing be accessible to them, are requested to notify the Chelsea Planning Commission Chairman no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing of such disability.

CHELSEA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

George Kinzer, Chair

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SANTA CENTRAL

Hudson Mills Metropark will host "Santa Central" from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 13. Children can visit Santa Central and play reindeer games, enjoy a hayride and snack, and share their wish list with Santa. Tickets are \$6/child, under 1 free. Admission is by advance ticket purchase only. Tickets are available for purchase at the park office. For additional information, contact the Hudson Mills Metropark at 800-477-3191 or 734-426-8211. Hope Bezzig of Dexter spent some time with Santa Claus last year.

NOTICE OF HEARING CONCERNING PUBLIC CORPORATIONS TO BE ASSESSED AND APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS OF LOCATING AND ESTABLISHING THE ALLEN CREEK WEST PARK DRAIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 20 of Act 40, of Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended, necessary proceedings have been taken for cleaning out, relocating, widening, deepening, straightening, tiling, extending or relocating along a highway, constructing branches, relief drains or connections to the Allen Creek Drain known as the Allen Creek West Park Drain Project, the location thereof to be as described in Attachment 1.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Drainage Board for said drain, determined that the following public corporations should be assessed for the cost of said project, to wit:

City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan, at large, for benefits to public health; .9610%

STATE OF MICHIGAN, Department of Transportation for benefits to State Highways; .390%

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the cost of improvement of the Allen Creek West Park Drain will meet at 4:00 p.m. Michigan Time on the 10th of December, 2009, in the Office of the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, Western County Service Center, 705 N. Zeeb Rd., Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing any objections of public corporations to be assessed, or any taxpayers thereof. No further

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NOTICE OF HEARING CONCERNING PUBLIC CORPORATIONS TO BE ASSESSED AND APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS OF LOCATING AND ESTABLISHING THE ALLEN CREEK STADIUM BOULEVARD SUFFOLK TO HUTCHINS DRAIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 20 of Act 40, of Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended, necessary proceedings have been taken for cleaning out, relocating, widening, deepening, straightening, tiling, extending or relocating along a highway, constructing branches, relief drains or connections to the Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain Project, the location thereof to be as follows described in Attachment 1.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Drainage Board for said drain determined that the following public corporations should be assessed for the cost of said project, to wit:

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Drainage Board for the Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain will meet at 4:00 p.m. Michigan Time on the 10th of December, 2009, in the Office of the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, Western County Service Center, 705 N. Zeeb Rd., Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing any objections of public corporations to be assessed, or any taxpayers thereof. No further opportunity for consideration of these matters will be afforded.

This Notice is given by order of the Drainage Board for the Allen Creek Stadium Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins Drain.

opportunity for consideration of these matters will be afforded.

This Notice is given by order of the Drainage Board for the Allen Creek West Park Drain.

JANIS A. BOBRIN
Chair of the Drainage Board
for the Allen Creek West Park Drain.

Drain Name:
Allen Creek
Project Name:
West Park

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
Construction of stormwater control measures to improve downstream water quality.

PROJECT LOCATION:
09-09-29-21-5-080

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JANIS A. BOBRIN
Chair of the Drainage Board
for the Allen Creek Stadium
Boulevard Suffolk to Hutchins
Drain.

Dated: 18th of November 2009,
DRAIN NAME:
Allen Creek

PROJECT NAME:
Stadium Boulevard

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
Design and Construct Stormwater Management Control Measures.

PROJECT LOCATION:
Commencing at a point at the SE Corner of Section 32 T2S, R6E Thence north along the east line of said section 2180.99 feet; thence S 87-23-52.24 W 318.839 feet to the point of beginning; thence following fifty-seven (57) courses, Thence S 63-58-32.19 E 32.228 Feet; Thence S 68-31-40.64 E 447.401 Feet; Thence S 72-9-30.09 E 518.853 Feet; Thence S 74-39-59.78 E 182.422 Feet; Thence S 78-53-48.81 E 204.335 Feet; Thence S 83-25-44.39 E 254.119 Feet; Thence S 87-51-12.66 E 318.253 Feet; Thence N 86-47-51.51 E 475.482 Feet; Thence N 87-33-54.9 E 1172.961 Feet; Thence N 87-33-35.39 E 971.671 Feet; Thence N 87-27-37.71 E 946.77 Feet; Thence N 87-21-50.82 E 668.844 Feet; Thence N 87-58-40.25 E 238.985 Feet; Thence S 88-10-5.20 E 149.216 Feet; Thence S 80-44-28.59 E 65.695 Feet; Thence S 74-46-7.05 E 74.072 Feet; Thence S 71-43-23.55 E 93.939 Feet; Thence S 63-31-32.47 E 127.076 Feet; Thence S 56-18-21.12 E 88.275 Feet; Thence S 49-49-39.30 E 94.188 Feet; Thence S 43-32-28.80 E 63.687 Feet; Thence S 39-49-26.84 E 408.521 Feet; Thence S 39-18-41.39 E 704.395 Feet; Thence S 39-19-34.00 E 356.904 Feet; Thence N 87-28-59.81 E 199.723 Feet; Thence N 39-28-28.03 W 561.184 Feet; Thence N 39-10-2.04 W 619.678 Feet; Thence N 39-50-49.77 W 418.082 Feet; Thence N 43-52-53.41 W 79.331 Feet; Thence N 50-54-49.79 W 112.378 Feet; Thence N 56-38-14.80 W 107.231 Feet; Thence N 63-31-37.80 W 138.927 Feet; Thence N 67-33-4.35 W 9.532 Feet; Thence N 71-54-34.55 W 86.349 Feet; Thence N 74-25-40.26 W 22.894 Feet; Thence N 75-3-27.10 W 86.795 Feet; Thence N 81-2-11.10 W 82.346 Feet; Thence N 88-51-2.91 W 75.724 Feet; Thence S 88-7-27.04 W 694.702 Feet; Thence S 87-29-10.85 W 774.555 Feet; Thence S 87-16-1.02 W 469.144 Feet; Thence S 87-42-28.30 W 329.794 Feet; Thence S 87-28-59.99 W 641.539 Feet; Thence S 87-33-6.00 W 1169.518 Feet; Thence S 88-50-30.66 W 366.477 Feet; Thence S 88-40-35.99 W 111.968 Feet; Thence S 88-57-0.92 W 124.451 Feet; Thence N 88-87-33.13 W 177.39 Feet; Thence N 84-26-24.97 W 118.016 Feet; Thence N 82-29-0.22 W 120.324 Feet; Thence N 78-57-48.97 W 192.643 Feet; Thence N 74-41-36.13 W 124.138 Feet; Thence N 72-9-29.29 W 513.853 Feet; Thence N 68-30-53.20 W 434.417 Feet; Thence S 50-53-44.75 W 66.353 Feet; Thence S 48-42-9.70 W 58.188 Feet; Thence S 24-52-14.64 W 41.444 Feet to the point of beginning.

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Washtenaw County Legal Notices

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Indigent Legal Representation for Felony Cases. 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 6510 Due: December 10, 2009 by 2:00 pm local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6788 or logon to our website at <http://bids.washtenaw.org> and click on "open bids".

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Washtenaw County Legal Notices

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for Indigent Legal Representation for Juvenile Cases. 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 6509 Due: December 9, 2009 by 2:00 pm local time. For more information, please call (734) 222-6788 or logon to our website at <http://bids.washtenaw.org> and click on "open bids".

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DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2009

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan.

ROLL CALL: President Keough, Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Smith, Tell.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the minutes of October 12, 2009. Unanimous voice vote for approval.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion Semifero; support Smith to approve the agenda with the addition of Jon Rush's email as Communications item H-6. Unanimous voice vote for approval.

CONSENT AGENDA
Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$126,247.46.

Motion Fisher; support Carson to approve item 1 of the consent agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval.

Motion Smith; support Semifero to suspend the rules to hear from County Commissioner Mark Oulmet on the County Budget.

Unanimous voice vote for approval.

OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

Motion Carson; support Tell to set aside facility discussion for six months and place the remaining bond money in to arbitrage to make payments on the bond.

Motion Semifero; support Smith to add item L-4, Closed Session for the purchase of property and postpone previous motion until after the closed session.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero and Keough. Nays: Tell and Carson.

Motion carries 5 to 2.

NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

Motion Semifero; support Carson to set a Public Hearing for November 23, 2009 to consider the request to create an Industrial Development District at 7800 Hurlin River Drive.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough.

Approved for Filing: November 9, 2009

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Nays: None

Motion carries: support Cousins to authorize budget amendments for the fiscal year of 2009/2010.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough.

Nays: None

Motion carries: support Smith to execute an Estoppel Certificate for the Cedar's of Dexter Project.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough.

Nays: None

Motion carries: support Semifero to move into closed session at 11:26 pm to discuss the purchase of property.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough.

Nays: None

Motion carries: support Smith to move out of closed session at 12:00 am. D

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough.

Nays: None

Motion carries: support Fisher to proceed as discussed in the closed session regarding the purchase of property.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Fisher and Cousins Nays: Carson and Keough.

Motion carries 5 to 2.

Motion Carson; support Tell to set aside facility discussion for six months and place the remaining bond money in to arbitrage to make payments on the bond. (From K-1)

Ayes: None Nays: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough.

Motion fails.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion Fisher; support Cousins to adjourn at 12:06 am.

Unanimous voice vote for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones, Clerk,
Village of Dexter

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NOTICE

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday,
November 24, 2009

AT 7:00 P.M.
AT
DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL

6880 DEXTER-PINKNEY RD.
DEXTER, MI. 48130

AGENDA

1) Distillery Land Use Regulations

2) Review Master Plan

3) Review Planning Commission By-laws

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Frances McMillan City Clerk

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Trust Estate

Estate of Pearl L. Servais, deceased

Date of birth: June 2, 1917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Pearl L. Servais, Trust dated September 5, 1990, as amended, who lived at 805 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, MI 48118, died on October 3, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the decedent, her estate, or her trust will be forever barred unless presented to MARITA A. SERVAYS, co-trustee of the Pearl L. Servais Trust within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

David E. Waterstradt, Attorney

Warner Morcorse & Judd LLP

PO Box 900

Muskegon, MI 49443-0900

231-727-2600

Marita A. Servais, Trustee

802 Princeton

Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Paul R. Servais, Trustee

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COUNTY OF WASHTENAW

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 2009-929-04

Estate of Ella Louise Mosher, deceased

Date of birth: 9/29/1923

TO ALL CREDITORS:

The decedent, Ella Louise Mosher, who lived at 5373 New Meadow, Ypsilanti, Michigan died June 4, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to John E. Bratcher, Jr., named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 101 East Huron Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48107 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Karin M. Gibbel, Attorney - P52545

14290 Northline Road

Southgate, MI 48195

(734) 285-9040

John E. Bratcher, Jr. Personal Representative

24968 Myler

Taylor, MI 48180

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DOG, MALE

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toys, tools, clothes
& household items.

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household, clothing,
toys, 14860 Thomas
Ave., Fri.-Sun.
11/13-15, 10-4.

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Cl., Nov. 19-21, 9-5
pm. Furn., clothing
and misc.

DEARBORN - 1756
Nov. 21-22, 10-4.
Estate Sale! Misc.
& TV repair items,
household items,
and some x-mas.

Local Notices

THE CITY OF SALINE will be auctioning the following surplus
equipment through the online auction site eBay:

1999 Ford 4WD Kubota 4/WD mower/sweeper, 2,609 Hours, Fair
Condition
1999 Ford Crown Victoria, 109,722 miles, Good Condition
1995 Ford F-250 XL - 4 Wheel Drive, 78,963 Miles, Fair Used
Condition
2003 Ford Crown Victoria, 96,371 miles, Broken Transmission

8 - BlackBerry 8830 World Edition smart phones
1 - BlackBerry Pearl 8130 smart phone

These vehicles may be viewed/inspected at the Saline Depart-
ment of Public Works, 1234 Telfer Court, Saline, MI during regu-
lar working hours, M-F 7:30am to 3:30pm.

The online auction will begin Thursday, November 19th 2009 at
9:00am and will close on Thursday, November 26th at 3:00pm.

For a complete listing of auctions please visit <http://www.cityofsaline.org>

Please contact the City of Saline for further information at
734.429.4707 Ext. 2230

Published November 19, 2009

On November 25th, 2009, the Van Buren Township Police
Department will conduct a public auction of impounded and
abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin at 10:30am, at
J&T Towing and Storage, 287 Industrial Dr., Belleville MI,
County of Wayne, where the following will be offered for sale
to the highest bidder.

2003 DODGE ST 1D4H538N93F59436A09-19795
2000 CONTINENTAL TLA4TSE226YH013725 09-20244
2004 OLDSMOBILE 4D 1G3H9F2E74C108775
09-20481
1996 CHEVROLET 2D 1G1JC124XTH11407609-21805
1990 BUICK 4D 1GACW34C1L1636481 09-22229
1989 FORD PU 1FTE15N8K013083 09-22398

Upon completion, the auction will move to Great Lakes Towing
and Storage, 42350 Van Buren Rd., Belleville MI, County of
Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to
the highest bidder.

1999 FORD PU 2FZK1723CB15890 09-19336
1999 MERCURY 4D 1MEFAS05XG614078 09-19740
1989 GMC VY 1GTE25H8K752139209-20630
2004 CHEVROLET PU 1G5C148448164582 09-21847
1999 FORD 4D 1FAFP634XK182199 09-22219

All vehicles are sold in "as is condition". Bidding on all im-
pounded vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and
storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time
prior to the start of the auction.

Leon Wright, CMC
Van Buren Township Clerk
Published: On or before November 19th, 2009
Publish November 19, 2009

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION BY POSTING

SUPERIOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE No. 178

Wetlands and Watercourse Protection and Restoration

Please take notice that the first reading of Ordinance No. 178, Wetlands and Watercourse Protection and Restoration, which repeals and replaces Ordinance No. 135 - Wetlands and Watercourse Protection and Restoration was made at the regular meeting of the Superior Charter Township Board of Trustees on November 16, 2009 at the Superior Charter Township Hall located at 3040 N. Prospect Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48198. The Ordinance will be considered for second reading and adoption at the regular meeting of the Superior Charter Township Board meeting of December 21, 2009. Ordinance No. 178 repeals and replaces Ordinance No. 135, Wetlands and Watercourse Protection and Restoration. Ordinance No. 178 provides for the control, preservation and restoration of wetlands and watercourses. The Ordinance includes updated references to State and Federal laws that have been amended; removes the requirement for publishing a notice and posting a sign when a wetlands application is processed; but adds these requirements for appeals of a decision on a wetlands application; if appeal or denial or a permit application is not completed within 90 days, the permit is considered approved; and other formatting, grammatical and minor text changes. Activities prohibited and permitted in a wetlands and watercourse have not changed. The remaining sections of Ordinance No. 178 are essentially the same as Ordinance No. 135. Publication of the Ordinance was made by posting in the Office of the Clerk, 3040 N. Prospect, Ypsilanti, 48198, and on the Township website - www.superiorcharter.org - pursuant to Section 8 of the Charter Township Act, being MCL 42.8, 3(b).

David M. Phillips, Clerk
Superior Charter Township
3040 N. Prospect
Ypsilanti, MI 48198
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Roseville Pottery,
records, jewelry, an-
tiques, Danish
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GROSSE ILE: 8448
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9-3. Kids furniture,
Lil Tykes toys, other
home items.
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mance parts. Nov.
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Nov. 21, 9-3pm. at
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Fort St., Nov. 20th.
5-9pm. & 21st.
9-3pm. New & old,
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TAYLOR: Moving
Sale 23341 Irving,
Fri.-Sun. 11/20-11/22
9am-5pm. Furniture,
lots of garden tools.

Local Notices

Who have been identified as a potential
member of a class action brought by resi-
dents that will be settling claims against
the past and present owners and/or op-
erations of the Carleton Farms Landfill.

Information on your Legal Rights and
Options under the Settlement Agreement

Who is a Class Member?
All persons claiming damages, harm or injury
due to air emissions from the Carleton Land-
fill located at 28800 Clark Road and who re-
side within a 7 mile radius of 28800 Clark
Road, in the City of New Boston, in the
County of Wayne, State of Michigan.

What was the basis for the lawsuit?
The emission of noxious odors and other air-
borne contaminants into the surrounding
communities that allegedly originated from
the Carleton Landfill.

What benefits does the
Settlement Agreement provide?
The Defendant has agreed to expend 2.5
million dollars over 5 years to improve its
landfill gas collection system and pay
\$825,000 to the Plaintiff class. Class Coun-
sel will seek \$600,000 as payment for its
costs and attorney's fees. The remaining
money will be divided amongst all persons
that file a claim. To file a claim, see
www.micclassaction.com or call 1-800-
536-0045.

Can I be excluded from the lawsuit?
Yes. To opt out of the Settlement Agreement,
you must opt out in writing and mail your opt
out to 975 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI
48207 by December 8, 2009. If you do not
exclude yourself, you will be bound by the
Settlement Agreement.

Can I object to the
Settlement Agreement?
Yes. To file objections, you must follow the
procedures outlined in the Notice available
below on or before December 8, 2009.

What if I do nothing?
You will be bound by the terms of the Settle-
ment Agreement and to have released De-
fendants from any and all Claims as defined
in the Settlement Agreement.

All of your rights, options and deadlines are
explained in the Publication Notice. A copy
can be obtained by visiting [www.micclass-
action.com](http://www.micclass-
action.com) or by calling 1-800-536-0045.

Published November 18 & 19, 2009

Public Hearing and
Change of Meeting Date Notice
City of Ypsilanti Zoning Board of Appeals
Wednesday, December 2, 2009

The City of Ypsilanti Zoning Board of Ap-
peals will hold public hearings on Wednes-
day, December 2, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the
Council Chambers of the City Hall, One
South Huron Street, Ypsilanti, Michigan
48197. This meeting will be in place of the
ZBA's scheduled meeting on November 25,
which has been cancelled.

The purpose of the hearings will be to re-
ceive public comments on the following var-
iance applications:

218 Ferris - Lot size variance for multiple-
unit residential use

An application has been filed for 218 Ferris
Street, tax code ID 11-11-39-102-010. The
property is zoned R3, Residential and Office
District, and is currently in use as a single
unit residence. The application requests a
variance to be allowed to use the property as
multiple residential units. The parcel is 5,306
square feet in size, where Sec 122-335 of
the Zoning Ordinance requires a minimum lot
size of 6,000 square feet for a duplex resi-
dential use, and 8,000 square feet for more
than two residential units.

605 Emmet - Lot size variance for multiple-
unit residential use

An application has been filed for 605 Emmet
Street, tax code ID 11-11-40-161-005. The
property is zoned R3, Medium Density Multi-
ple Family Residential District, and is current-
ly in use as a two-unit residence. The applica-
tion requests a variance to be allowed to
use the property for additional residential
units. The parcel is 5,843 square feet in
size, where Sec 122-295 of the Zoning Ordi-
nance requires a minimum lot size of 8,000
square feet for more than two residential
units.

All interested citizens are invited to attend
this meeting and to send written comments to
the City of Ypsilanti, Planning and Develop-
ment Department, One South Huron
Street, Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197. For fur-
ther information, please call 483-9646.

The City of Ypsilanti encourages persons
with disabilities to participate and will provide
necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and ser-
vices, such as signers for the hearing im-
paired and audio tapes of printed materials
being considered at the meeting to individu-
als with disabilities upon two days notice to
the City of Ypsilanti. Individuals with
disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services
should contact the City of Ypsilanti by writing
or calling the following:

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One South Huron Street, Ypsilanti, Michi-
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Frances McMillan, City Clerk
Published November 19, 2009

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The show's format for 2009 features entertainment for all ages, including a holiday tea, cookie walk, gingerbread house display, holiday food preparation and a gingerbread-decorating workshop. Childcare is also available. All of these are free with craft show admission, except the holiday tea, which requires advance reservations.

Throughout the show, middle school students will run a concession stand, staff a bake sale and participate in other activities.

These student activities will serve as a moneymaking activity for school organizations and are designed to promote citizenship and leadership at the middle school. There will be Christmas greens and flowers and a raffle in addition to the bake sale and concessions.

New for 2009 is a charity dance performance, "Dancing through the Decades!" Proceeds from the dance will benefit Ele's Place, a healing center for grieving children throughout the Lansing and Ann Arbor regions.

The dance is sponsored by the Saline High School Dance Club and coordinated by the members of the group. Tickets are required, and the program will feature appearances and dance routines, including appearances by Saline school administrators and staff.

Admission is \$2. Saline Middle School, at 7190 N. Maple Road, will offer free parking and is completely handicap accessible. Due to crowded conditions, strollers will be prohibited. For more information, visit www.salineshows.com.

Music Man touches crowds with tunes

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

Tim Knapp has always enjoyed emulating popular tunes with his piano skills, ever since fulfilling the urge to play children's song "Have You Seen the Ghost of John" as a young child.

The locally renowned pianist has graduated to more ambitious and complex artists, and songs since tickling the ivories at Weber's Restaurant & Hotel in Ann Arbor.

Knapp has called Weber's home for nearly two decades. He has built his reputation on converting popular music from Peter Gabriel, U2, Pink Floyd, and a host of other '80s and '90s pop musicians into piano tunes.

"The best reaction I get from people is when I play some song and someone sitting in front of the piano who hasn't looked at me, turns around with the biggest grin on their face," Knapp said. "It's usually some unusual song that's funny or something that they liked and they just can't believe someone is playing it on the piano."

Knapp's music has come a long way since his first piano lessons and his time in school band The Force and semi-professional band No Right, No Wrong.

His parents nudged him down the path to music because after the initiative he showed with "Ghost of John" they thought the piano was his calling.

"I don't think I'm anything that anybody else couldn't do," Knapp says modestly.

He took piano lessons through seventh grade, until social pressure from classmates turned against it. Then he joined The Force, bringing piano power to the band of his youth.

"Luckily some friends of mine started a rock band because it became very un-cool to be a guy who took piano lessons. But people didn't bother me about it, being in a rock band," he said.

Knapp and his pals reached what would ultimately be the zenith of their high school rock career when they won the Saline Battle of the Bands in 1985.

He became a music major and tried going the distance with No Right, No Wrong, but the gigs were sparse and he recalled reading an article that dissuaded him from taking the uncertain musician's path.

"I read an article about violinists from Julliard playing violins in the subways for tips, and I thought that if Julliard violinists couldn't make it, then



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I'm not going to make it playing piano," Knapp said. "So, I went to school and changed my major. I went and got a master's in psychology."

Despite seemingly turning his back on music somewhat, Knapp ended up using his musical ability to pay his way through the latter portion of his college career with his permanent gig at Weber's, which began in 1991.

Ultimately, he would discover that playing his piano was the lion's share of his income, even after getting a job with Washtenaw County Community Support and Treatment Services.

Knapp says he loves the social work he does for the county, but he's probably going to stick around Weber's as long as he is able.

His fan base at the restaurant is the reason he came out with a CD — "18 Year Promise," the first of what he hopes will be many. Expect a Christmas compilation sometime soon, followed by a third CD with a yet-to-be-determined theme.

"When I first started at Weber's, people kept asking me when I was going to come out with a CD and I said as soon as I buy my piano because at the time I didn't have a keyboard or a way to record," he said.

This made Weber's a sort of second home for Knapp, since he never could figure out a way

to transport his work piano home and back. At the time, he was playing six shifts a week at three hours a pop.

On top of a 40-hour-a-week job with the county, Knapp was working nearly 60 hours between actual work time and his commute, but he says it has always felt like he just works 40 because of how much he enjoys his piano gig and the artistic freedom he is afforded.

"I started out playing a lot of George Winston, but through the years I just started playing my own thing and found that it was much more fun for me if I was playing music that I liked," Knapp said. "I incorporated a lot of what I was playing from the '80s in those early bands, but I had to find a way to disguise it to sound like it was just a pretty song being played during dinner. So, I started making these almost funny versions of '80s songs."

Knapp recalls the first time a fellow Pink Floyd fan saw through what he was doing and connected the tune he was hearing with the band whose melody was being played.

"It seemed special to people because they would come up and say, 'No one else knows what you played, but I know what it was — that was Pink Floyd,'" he recalled. "It would just make their day and they would come back. So, I started having a group of people that I

could count on every night who were coming in to hear Pink Floyd played again."

From there Knapp poured his efforts into Pink Floyd and countless other musicians from past decades, most of them outside of the norm of Elton John and Billy Joel, both staples of pianists everywhere. He doesn't eschew those artists because he doesn't like their music, but because he thinks they're best served with vocals accompanying the instrumentation.

"Without the singing, it just sounds like Muzak," he said.

These days, fans are treated to piano versions of Britney Spears' "Toxic" and AC/DC's "Dirty Deeds (Done Dirt Cheap)" to varying effect.

"Sometimes it touches people and sometimes it's funny. So, if you're coming to Weber's you're going to hear some serious music and some Radiohead and Sound Garden," he said.

Knapp says the funniest interaction he's had with someone was when he played Radiohead's "Creep," which apparently sounds melodic and "lovely" coming from his piano.

"When I played it some people came up and asked me what the name of that beautiful song is and I told them 'Creep' and they'll go, 'Well they didn't give it a very good name,'" Knapp says with a laugh.

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Friday: Outback Concerts and The Ark present Old Crow Medicine Show at the Michigan Theater, 8 p.m., \$35, \$27, \$20

Saturday: Willy Porter and Luke Doucet, 8 p.m., \$17.50 (Virtuoso) Sunday: Bill Harley Family Show sponsored by the Ann Arbor District Library, 1 p.m., free (family)

Sunday: Bill Harley, 7:30 p.m., \$15

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Monday: Pub Trivia, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Restaurant Appreciation Night

Wednesday: DJ Matt Styles, 10 p.m.

Crazy Wisdom Tea Room
114 S. Main St.

Telephone: 665-9468
Web site: www.crazywisdom.net

8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, MorrisCo Art Theatre presents Tennessee Williams' drama, Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron, Ypsilanti. Tickets \$18, students and seniors, \$15 in advance at info@morrisco.org and 996-2549.

Susan Chan
8 p.m. Thursday, Eastern Michigan University Music Department. Portland State University piano professor performs works by Franck, Chopin, Liszt, Sergei Satoh, and Tan Dun. EMU Alexander Recital Hall, Lowell at E. Circle Drive, Ypsilanti. Free. 487-2255.

Bandorama
7 p.m. Saturday, EMU Music Department, featuring the Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band and EMU Marching Band. Pease

Tea and Tunes 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. No cover charge.

Friday: Rochelle Clark and John Natw

Saturday: Elizabeth Royce

Goodnite Gracie
301 W. Huron St.

Telephone: 752-5740
Web site: www.goodnitegracie.com

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Thursday, Friday, Saturday: Soulstice

Sunday: NFL Sundays — games in HD

Monday: DJ Mechial White the Groovemasters

Tuesday, Wednesday: Joy Ride

The Heidelberg's Club
Above

215 N. Main St.

Telephone: 663-7758
Web site: www.heidelbergann Arbor.com

Guy Holler's at the Holiday Inn

3600 Plymouth Road

Telephone: 769-4323
Web site: www.hiann Arbor.com/dining.php

Friday: Bobby Murray Band

Saturday: The Alligators

Live at PJs
301 W. Huron St.

Telephone: 752-5740
Web site: www.live-at-pjs.com

The club features live music five nights a week. Every

Wednesday is Salsa Night

Old Town Tavern
122 W. Liberty St.

Telephone: 662-9291
Web site: www.oldtownnaa.com

Sunday night music features live music from 8 to 10 p.m. focusing on local talent.

Sunday: Bob Skon

Rick's American Café
611 Church St.

Telephone: 996-2747
Web site: <http://ricksamericancafe.com/>

Fridays and Saturdays: Live music. No cover before 9 p.m.

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

314 E. Liberty St.

Telephone: 996-9080
Web site: www.aacomedy.com

Today, Friday, Saturday: Michael Loftus

Wednesday: Open Mic 8 p.m. Alcohol is served. \$5

Black Pearl Seafood and Martini Bar

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Telephone: 222-0400
Web site: www.blackpearlann Arbor.com

Features live music on Wednesdays 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. No cover.

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Tracks and Scats

2 p.m. Saturday, an investigation of what can be learned about mammals and birds from evidence they leave behind. Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road, Waterloo Recreation Area. Pre-registration requested. Free. Cost: \$6 vehicle entry fee. 475-3170.

SALINE

Harvest Happenings Dance Party

8 p.m. to midnight Friday, Parents Without Partners event at Zal Gaz Grotto Club, 2070 West Stadium, Ann Arbor. Admission \$8 for members, and guests \$6. Cash bar. Orientation for prospective members 7:30 p.m. Visit www.aapwp.org, or call 433-1668.

Holiday Craft & Bake Sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Saline Senior Center, 7190 N. Maple Road, Saline. Free admission. Food available. Vendor raffle. Call 429-9274.

DEXTER

University Lowbrow Astronomers

5 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturday, join local astronomy buffs for a look at the sky through instruments, including the Peach Mountain Observatory's 24-inch McMath telescope. Participants encouraged to bring their own telescopes. Peach Mountain Observatory, North Territorial Road, Dexter. Free. 332-9132.

Holiday Bazaar

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 5.

Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St., Dexter. Santa will be there 9:30 to noon. Proceeds will support Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum.

Wild about Turkeys

1 p.m. Saturday, Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. Costs: \$2. Pre-registration required. \$4 vehicle entrance fee. 426-8211.

YPSILANTI

Codependency

7:30 to 9 p.m. Dec. 15, presentation by Ronald Harrison, chemical dependency therapist. He will speak on the symptoms and progression of codependency and actions to help codependent people to recover. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

Education Center Auditorium, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. Free, open to the public. No registration required. Certificate to document attendance can be provided. Call Dawn Farm at 485-8725, e-mail info@dawnfarm.org or visit www.dawnfarm.org.

A Puppet History of Ypsilanti

3:30 p.m. Sunday and Nov. 29, the Dreamland Puppet Troupe presents its kid-friendly marionette and shadow puppet show about Ypsilanti history, from the formation of the Great Lakes to the founding of the Ypsilanti Underwear Company in 1904. Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington, Ypsilanti. \$5 (kids age 3 and younger, free); 657-2337.

'The Night of the Iguana'

Auditorium, EMU campus, W. Cross at College Place, Ypsilanti. Tickets \$10 (students, seniors, \$8; kids younger than 12, \$6) in advance and at the door, if available. 487-1221.

County Trail Group Meeting

7 p.m. Thursday, Friends of the Border To Border Trail will meet at Bombadilla's Café, 217 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. Free and open to the public. Call 487-9058 or visit www.bordertoborder.org.

BELLEVILLE

Craft Show

Saturday: St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville. Soup and Salad Luncheon. Spaces available. To reserve a table call 697-8822 after 3pm.

'Cinderella!' draws record crowds

By David C. Bloom
Guest Writer

A hearty congratulations to the student cast and crew of 'Cinderella'

The Chelsea High School Theater Guild's fall musical production was the first ever to sell out the main floor of the CHS Auditorium. Twice!

The hard work and commitment - the love - that these students invested in an extracurricular project was reflected in the ovations they received from those sellout crowds, and

in the glowing faces of dozens of little girls in foofy ball gowns who mobbed the cast and crew after each show.

Behind those accolades - behind every dedicated student - stands a family. 'Cinderella' could not have happened without hundreds of hours of volunteer support from parent Boosters, who went that extra mile to help the cast and crew have a great theater experience. Thank you, boosters!

And behind the students and the Boosters are three Chelsea schools professionals who deserve special recognition:

Lisa Stebelton was Cinderella's "Master of All Media," from designing and printing the beautiful programs to publishing hundreds of beautiful pictures in the Chelsea Standard and online. Lisa, you rock!

Kim Potocki was the one who started it all last summer. Kim is the impetus behind the Theater Boosters, she helped recruit Chelsea student-teacher-turned-director Gabriele Fazio, and she helped "Fozzy" realize her vision for Cinderella. Waytoso, Kim!

Chuck Griffin showed what a true theater professional can do in a facility like the CHS

auditorium. His student-crew pushed the boundaries of the stage, learned the ropes and ran the show like real troupers. Yudaman, Chuck!

If you agree that these Chelsea school's employees are doing great work with the students, it never hurts to let them - and their employer - know how you feel.

And if you think we can do even better - and have fun doing it - your volunteer talents are welcome with the Chelsea Theater Boosters!

David C. Bloom is a Chelsea parent and member of the Chelsea Theater Boosters.



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Suspense novel features Chelsea, Ann Arbor connection

Micah House Media, is pleased to announce the release of the latest high velocity suspense novel by Diane and David Munson. In "Hero's Ransom," CIA Agent Bo Rider ("The Camelot Conspiracy") and Federal Agents Eva Montanna and Griff Topping return in the Munsons' fourth family-friendly adventure.

Bo Rider risks it all to secure the release of archeologist Amber Worthing, who is arrested for espionage after unearthing a two-thousand-year-old mummy and witnessing a secret rocket launch at a Chinese missile base. Her imprisonment sparks a custody battle between grandparents over her young son, Lucas set in Ann Arbor. Caught between sinister world powers, Amber's faith is tested

in ways she never dreamed possible. Danger escalates as Bo races to stop China's killer satellite from destroying America, and with Eva and Griff's help, to rescue Amber using an unexpected ransom.

Readers who have been demanding the release of this latest thriller, will enjoy the heartwarming story of Amber's youth in Chelsea, where her son Lucas remains in the care of Amber's mother, Sophie, as well as Amber's spiritual growth as a student at the University of Michigan. Her travel to a mission's conference in Urbana, Ill. with the Core group from her campus church, changed her life, and contributed to her call to China.

Five years after Diane Munson, former Federal prosecutor and

Reagan Justice Department Administrator convinced her husband David to join her in writing suspense drawing on their years in the Federal judicial system, the team has signed rights to their three previous novels to Micah House Media, the new Christian publisher in Grand Rapids. Their novels are realistic

—“factional fiction”—based on cases Diane prosecuted or David worked as a former undercover DEA agent. The Munsons’ first three novels were previously published by FaithWalk, an imprint of CSS Publishing.

"Hero's Ransom" will be released by Micah House Media in February.



Julie Koch is a lifelong member of the Dexter Community and mother of three teenage boys.

Julie was diagnosed with stage 4 ovarian cancer and is in need of a lifesaving treatment which isn't covered by her insurance.

**Please come and join us for a
Benefit spaghetti dinner by donation on
Nov. 20th at the K of C hall at
8265 Dexter-Chelsea Rd. from 4:00pm-8:00pm.
All donations will go toward Julie's Cancer Treatment.**




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FRU/SAT 11:00

DISNEY'S A CHRISTMAS CAROL (PG)

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FRU/SAT 11:45

THE MEN WHO STARE AT GOATS (R)

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FRU/SAT 11:10

MICHAEL JACKSON'S THIS IS IT (PG)

2:25, 4:55, 7:20, 9:45

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WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE (PG)

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FRU/SAT 11:20

LAW ABIDING CITIZEN (R)

11:40 AM

COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13)

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A look back at this year's Waterloo Farm Museum Pioneer Day

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

This was the 47th year for Pioneer Day at the Waterloo Farm Museum.

In spite of the blustery and cool winds, the sun was shining and the crowds were non-

stop from noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 11

Many enjoyed the tours of the Realy Farmhouse and out-buildings, the log cabin, and the Dewey School. The line continually flowed into the Hannewald Barn for servings of the famous Waterloo Bean Soup, knockwursts with kraut,

pulled pork sandwiches and home-made pies and cookies.

Period craftspeople filled the yard with demonstrations of quilting, dying wool, driving teams of oxen, butter churning, sheering sheep, and pressing cider to name a few. Other artisans sold their

beautiful wares of whittled canes, homemade soaps, leather goods, beeswax and honey and much more.

Beautiful dried flower arrangements, herbs and colorful wreaths were a feast to the eyes of visitors in the Realy Barn.

Civil War enactor men and women walked the grounds and had a "field hospital" set up at the ice house.

The pungent aroma of warm molasses cookies, fresh out of the brick oven, attracted customers to the Bake House. A pie contest was held at 1

p.m. at the Farm Wagon and fourteen bakers representing eight communities entered. Donations of fresh produce, home baked goods, and butters, jams, jellies and herbal vinegars for sale filled the tables of the Farm Wagon tent.



Pictured from left are Helena Robinovitz, Chair of the Contest, and judges Craig Goodlock, Chairman and CEO of Farmers State Bank, Ryan Schroeder of Waterloo Pizzeria and Deli and culinary arts student at the Michigan Institute of Arts, Melanie Weidmayer, owner and chief baker of Manchester Bakery, and Carol Murphy, foods, math and computer teacher at Beach Middle School, Chelsea. The winner of first prize for the best-tasting pie, held by Carol Murphy, was won by Marilyn Mead of Chelsea. Katrina Tingley of Jackson won second prize for the most attractive pie, held by Ryan Schroeder.



Marilyn Mead of Chelsea (left) is shown accepting her first place prize for best-tasting pie from Helena Robinovitz, Chair of the pie contest and Farm Wagon.



Katrina Tingley of Jackson (right) accepts her prize for most attractive pie from Helena Robinovitz, Chair of the pie contest and the Farm Wagon.

AccuWeather.com SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
A passing morning shower	A few showers late	Mostly cloudy	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Clouds and sun	Periods of rain	Periods of rain
47° to 53°	34° to 40°	46° to 52° 33° to 39°	46° to 52° 31° to 37°	47° to 53° 32° to 38°	46° to 52° 30° to 36°	43° to 49° 33° to 39°	40° to 46° 18° to 24°

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Statistics for the week ending Monday, Nov. 16

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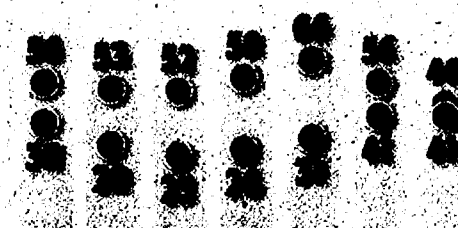
High/low for the week	66°/23°
Normal high/low	48°/33°
Average temperature	43.9°
Normal average temperature	40.6°

Precipitation:

Total for the week	trace
Total for the month	0.02"
Total for the year	28.56"
Normal for the month	1.55"
Normal for the year	31.07"

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS

Temperatures ● High ● Low

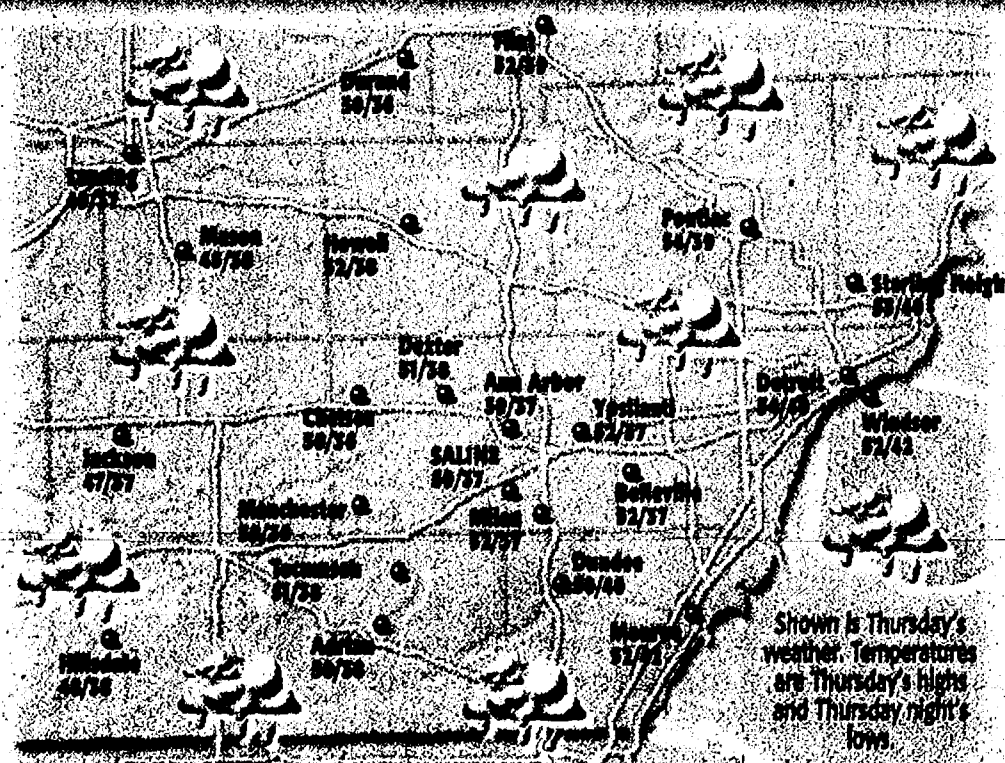


THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

Weekly UV Index and RealFeel Temperature*

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Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed

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SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	5:10 p.m.
Friday	7:32 a.m.	5:10 p.m.
Saturday	7:33 a.m.	5:09 p.m.
Sunday	7:34 a.m.	5:08 p.m.
Monday	7:35 a.m.	5:08 p.m.
Tuesday	7:36 a.m.	5:07 p.m.
Wednesday	7:37 a.m.	5:07 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Thursday	10:23 a.m.	7:19 p.m.
Friday	11:05 a.m.	8:19 p.m.
Saturday	11:40 a.m.	9:21 p.m.
Sunday	12:09 p.m.	10:22 p.m.
Monday	12:34 p.m.	11:23 p.m.
Tuesday	12:57 p.m.	none
Wednesday	1:18 p.m.	12:24 a.m.

RIVER LEVELS

As of 7 a.m. Monday	Flood stage	Current stage
Dearborn Heights		2.32 ft
Huron River	16 ft	12.79 ft
Malletts Creek		3.29 ft
Ann Arbor		
Manitou Creek	12 ft	6.23 ft
Dexter		
River Raisin		2.63 ft
Manchester		

Lake	Normal	Current
Lake Erie	580.11 ft	573.20 ft
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	574.04 ft

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Adrian	50/34/c	49/34/c	51/34/c
Ann Arbor	50/37/c	49/36/c	49/34/c
Battle Creek	48/38/sh	48/37/c	49/38/c
Bay City	48/38/c	49/38/c	49/38/c
Detroit	54/40/c	51/39/c	51/38/c
Flint	52/39/c	48/39/c	49/38/c
Grand Rapids	49/39/sh	48/37/c	49/38/c
Kalamazoo	49/37/sh	49/38/c	51/37/c
Lansing	49/37/c	48/38/c	50/37/c
Livonia	52/38/c	51/37/c	50/36/c

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Manistee	48/38/sh	48/37/c	48/35/c
Midland	50/36/c	51/36/c	49/35/c
Muskegon	47/39/sh	48/40/c	49/38/c
Pontiac	54/39/c	47/37/c	50/37/c
Port Huron	53/40/c	48/40/c	48/38/c
Saginaw	48/38/c	49/38/c	49/38/c
St. Ignace, Mich.	45/36/c	45/35/c	43/33/c
Sturgis	47/38/c	50/38/c	51/38/c
Traverse City	47/38/c	47/38/c	48/37/c
Warren	53/40/c	50/40/c	51/39/c

WORLD CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Athens	70/54/s	68/53/s	72/59/s
Berlin	54/46/c	59/48/s	57/41/c
Buenos Aires	75/52/c	77/59/s	71/59/c
Cairo	74/53/s	73/50/s	75/52/s
Calgary	44/18/c	38/21/c	40/18/sh
Hong Kong	68/60/c	65/57/s	63/58/c
Denver	62/42/c	62/45/s	63/49/s
Johannesburg	64/47/t	67/49/c	69/53/c
LONDON	61/48/c	61/44/c	59/44/r
Mexico City	75/48/c	70/45/sh	70/45/r

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Montreal	50/41/c	50/37/r	43/52/c
Moscow	37/34/c	36/32/c	37/34/r
Paris	56/45/s	58/43/c	57/44/c
Rio de Janeiro	90/76/s	89/77/c	91/76/c
Rome	56/45/s	58/43/c	57/44/c
Seoul	40/21/c	44/18/c	41/25/s
Singapore	84/77/r	86/79/r	85/78/r
Sydney	92/70/c	99/70/s	95/72/c
Tokyo	58/47/c	53/47/c	58/43/c
Warsaw	46/39/r	50/39/c	52/34/c

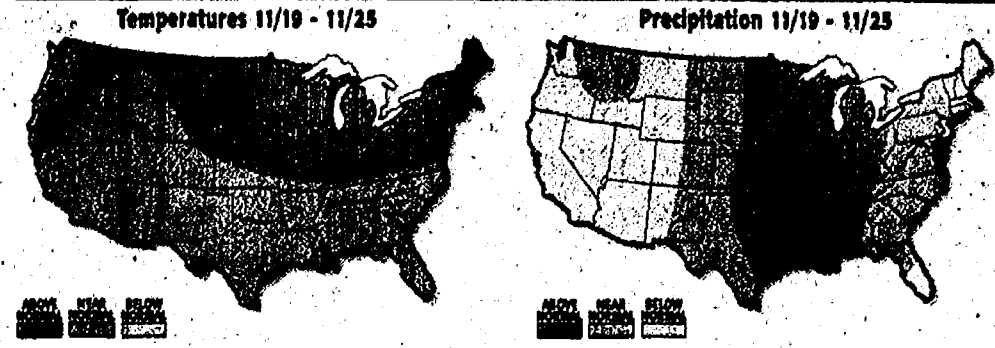
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Albany	61/44/s	64/48/s	58/46/r
Boston	57/46/c	56/45/sh	58/41/c
Chicago	47/37/sh	50/37/c	51/37/c
Cincinnati	54/39/c	54/38/s	54/37/c
Cleveland	54/42/c	51/47/c	50/38/c
Dallas	67/54/c	65/47/r	65/49/s
Denver	68/28/c	64/28/s	54/23/c
Honolulu	83/71/s	83/72/s	83/71/s
Houston	73/59/c	69/53/r	67/50/c
Kansas City	55/37/s	55/38/c	60/43/s
Las Vegas	68/40/s	68/44/c	64/40/c
Los Angeles	70/50/s	68/50/c	68/50/s

City	Thu	Fri	Sat
Miami	83/70/s	85/71/s	84/72/c
Minneapolis	49/37/sh	49/36/c	49/36/s
New Orleans	68/52/c	68/53/c	60/50/r
New York City	60/50/c	59/48/r	57/44/c
Orlando	60/50/c	60/60/s	61/63/c
Philadelphia	60/50/c	59/46/sh	57/44/c
Phoenix	77/47/s	79/49/s	75/49/c
Pittsburgh	56/40/r	51/38/c	52/39/c
St. Louis	53/40/c	57/43/c	58/43/s
San Francisco	61/49/c	59/48/r	59/47/c
Seattle	49/44/r	49/38/r	48/40/c
Wash., DC	61/50/c	60/44/c	59/42/c

Weather (W): s-sunny, pe-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.

NATIONAL OUTLOOK



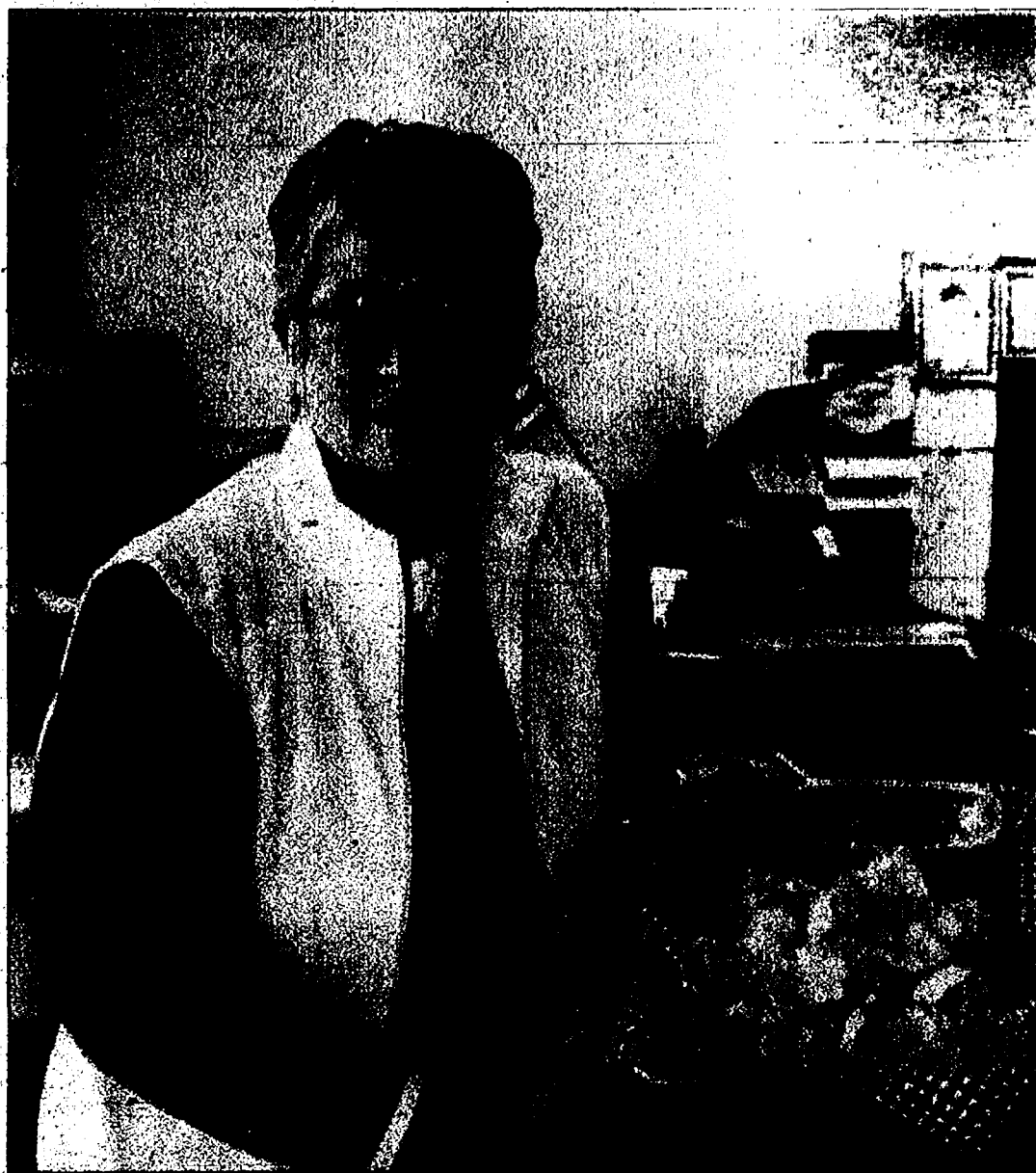
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HOLIDAY recipes '09

2009 Holiday Recipe Guide

Appetizers



Barb Krichbaum of Chelsea won honorable mention for her Texas Caviar recipe.

Texas Caviar

Barbara Krichbaum, Chelsea

1 10 ounce can of drained black eyed peas

1 10 ounce can of black beans,
1 10 ounce can of shoepeg corn
Chopped green chilies

Add six to eight chopped green onions, red, yellow or orange peppers (chopped) and minced garlic to taste.

Stir together with an 8 ounce bottle of Italian dressing. Store and serve with chips.

Shrimp Dip

Wanda Beard, Saline

1 8 ounce bar of softened cream cheese

1 lemon juiced
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup ketchup
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/4 cup minced onions
Top of two green onions (chopped)

5 drops of Tabasco sauce
White pepper to taste

1 pound cooked shrimp cut in small pieces

Combine all ingredients. Chill in refrigerator. Serve with crackers.

Cooper Carrots

Wanda Beard, Saline

1 large bag of small carrots. Cook until tender (about 20 minutes.)

2 green peppers

1 onion cut in thin rings

Drain carrots and layer with onion and pepper in large bowl.

Dressing for carrots

1/2 cup oil

3/4 cup vinegar

1 cup sugar

1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

4 tsp. prepared mustard

1 can tomato soup.

Add salt and pepper to taste. Mix and bring to boil (about 1 minute), pour over vegetables. Will keep three or four weeks.

Hot Sausage Dip

Nancy Jenkins, Ann Arbor



Alana West of Manchester shows off her Christmas Sandwich Tree. The dish was a semifinalist in the Heritage Newspapers recipe contest.

1 lb. of hot sausage
1 block cream cheese
1 can diced tomatoes with jalapeños

Cook and drain sausage (use paper towels to drain). Dice the cream cheese into chunks. Add all ingredients to the sausage and stir well to combine. Bake 20 minutes at 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Serve with Dorito Scoops chips or toasted french bread rounds.

Ans Hotelling, Chelsea

1 cup water
1/2 cup yellow cornmeal
1/2 cup milk

1/4 cup pumpkin puree

1 cup all-purpose flour

2 tps. baking powder

1/2 tsp. salt

1 tsp. maple syrup (dark corn syrup can be substituted)

1 egg, beaten

Vegetable oil

Pumpkin Corn Cakes

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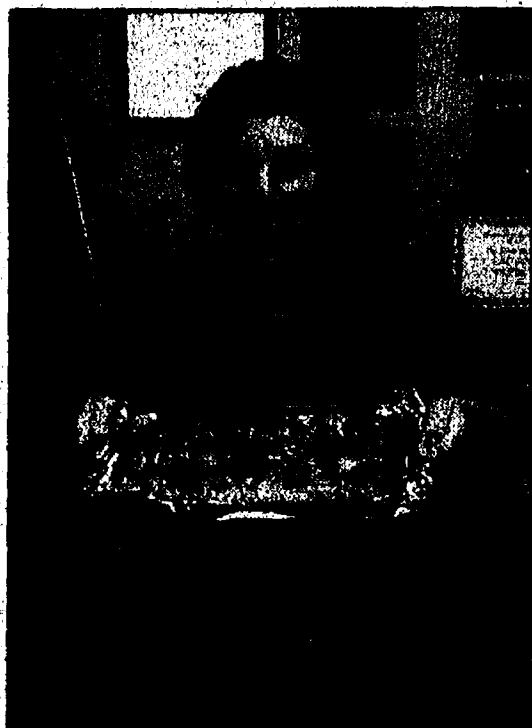
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APPETIZERS

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Irene Adler of Ann Arbor displays her recipe, "Grandma Fran's Noodle Kugel." The dish was a semifinalist in the recipe contest.

Maple syrup
Honey

In a large saucepan, bring water to a boil. Stirring continuously, add the cornmeal. Slowly add milk, stirring continuously until the mixture is thick and smooth. Add the pumpkin and blend well. Remove from heat.

In a small bowl, blend together the flour, baking powder and salt. Add to the pumpkin cornmeal mixture, stirring well to incorporate.

Add the egg and the maple syrup, blending well.

Oil a frying pan or griddle. Heat to medium heat. Drop batter by small ladlefuls, turning over each cake when bubbles appear on the surface. Fry until second side is browned along the edges. Move to a platter.

If desired, use a biscuit cutter to cut corn cakes into smaller circles. Serve corn cakes with salsa, maple syrup and honey for dipping. Makes approximately 24 corn cakes.

Party Sandwich Christmas Tree

Alana West, Manchester

11 slices thin rye bread
3 cups Starry Cheese Spread (recipe below)
Chopped pecans
10 slices deli roast beef (halved)
Leaf lettuce
Stuffed olives, halved cherry tomatoes and sliced radishes

Cut each slice of bread into a 3 1/2 inch by 3 inch rectangle, removing crusts. Spread with cheese spread. Cut each rectangle in half diagonally, forming triangles.

On a 24 inch by 18 inch serving tray or covered board, form the tree. Near the top, place two bread triangles 1/2 inches apart with 3 inch sides facing. (Leave room at the top of the tray for the Starry Cheese Spread mold if desired.)

For the second, third and fourth rows, place two triangles with long sides together to form six rectangles. Place a triangle on either side of rectangles for ends of branches. Center two remaining triangles for trunk.

Sprinkle trunk section with pecans. Top the rest of the triangles with beef and lettuce. Add olive, tomato and radish "ornaments" with toothpicks.

Starry Cheese Spread
6 cups (24 ounces) shredded sharp cheddar cheese
1 package (3 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1/4 cup butter or margarine, softened

2 tbsps. Worcestershire sauce
2/3 cup apple juice
2 tbsps. chopped stuffed olives
Sliced pimientos, yellow pepper strips and one stuffed olive slice for garnish.

In a mixing bowl, beat cheeses, butter, Worcestershire sauce, apple juice and olives on low speed for 1 minute. Beat on high until almost smooth. Press 3/4 cup into a 4 inch, star-shaped mold coated with non-stick cooking spray. Cover and chill for three hours or until set. Use remaining mixture on Party Sandwich Tree. Run a sharp knife around mold to loosen cheese spread and unmold. Garnish with pimientos, peppers and olive.

Grandma Fran's Noodle Kugel

Irene Adler, Ann Arbor

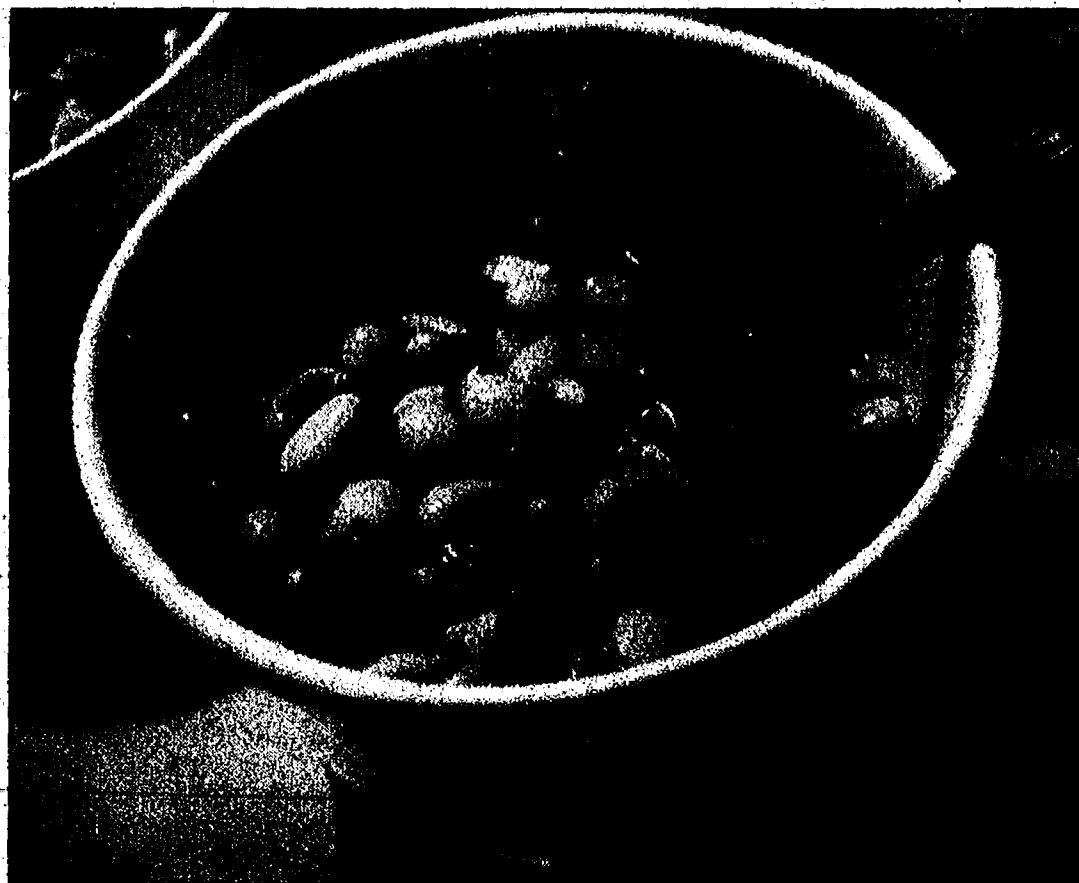
1 package wide egg noodles (12 to 16 ounces)
1 stick butter or margarine
1/2 cup sugar
1 can (16 ounces) crushed pineapple drained
1 tsp. vanilla
3 eggs

Cook noodles according to package. Add all ingredients and mix. Pour into a lightly greased baking pan. Sprinkle with cinnamon and some nutmeg and dot with butter. Bake 1 hour at 350 degrees Fahrenheit.

Hot Bagels and Lox

Keisha Sanders-Hajdu, Northville

1 can of crescent roll sheets
1 package of smoked salmon
20 to 25 capers drained
1 small red onion sliced thinly
1 small diced tomato for garnish
1 small container of cream cheese
Preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit. Roll out crescent roll sheets and cut into triangles. Mix capers into cream cheese. Spread



Texas Cavier

cream cheese into the center of the triangles. Place small piece of salmon cheese on top of the cream cheese. Place sliced onion over the salmon/cream cheese mixture. Fold and crimp edges of the dough together. Bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit until golden brown. Garnish with tomato before serving.

Rosemary Pecans

Nancy Jenkins, Ann Arbor

1 lb. unsalted pecan halves
2 tbsps. chopped fresh rosemary
1/2 tsp. cayenne peppers
2 tsp. brown sugar
2 tsp. kosher salt
1 tbsps. melted butter

Heat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit and toast nuts on cookie sheet, stirring until they're golden (about 10 minutes.) Combine other ingredients in a large bowl, and then toss in the nuts to coat.

Vegetable Pizza

Diane Irwin, Saline

2 (8 ounces) packages of Pillsbury crescent rolls
1 (8 ounces) package of cream cheese, softened
1 cup Ranch dressing
3 stalks celery, finely chopped
1 head broccoli, finely chopped
1/2 head cauliflower, finely chopped

Preheat oven to 360 degrees Fahrenheit. Spray cookie sheet with cooking spray. Press crescent rolls onto cookie sheet, making sure there are no holes. Bake 10 minutes, or until golden brown. Cool slightly. Mix cream cheese and Ranch dress-

ing together. Smooth over crust. Top with chopped vegetables. Cut into slices and enjoy.

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Soups/ breads



Terry Rishoi of Ann Arbor received honorable mention for her recipe, "Tropical Sweet Potato Bread."

Tropical Sweet Potato Bread with coconut

Terry Rishoi, Ann Arbor

- 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- 2 tps. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp. orange oil (or substitute with coconut or vanilla extract)



Nancy Jenkins of Ann Arbor was a semifinalist for her recipe consisting of wild rice and pumpkin soup.

- 3/4 cup granulated white sugar
- 2 eggs beaten
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 tps. milk
- 1 cup cooked mashed sweet potatoes.

1 cup sweetened flake coconut
Preheat oven to 325 degrees Fahrenheit. Grease an 8 inch by 4 inch loaf pan or four mini-loaf pans.

In a large bowl stir together until well blended the cooked mashed sweet potatoes, beaten eggs, vegetable oil, sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and orange oil.

In another medium sized bowl add the flour, baking powder and salt. Mix dry ingredients until well blended.

Add the flour mixture to the sweet potato mixture; add the milk. Mix just until the dry ingredients are moist then add the coconut by gently folding into the batter.

Pour the thick batter into prepared pan(s).

Bake for 70 minutes (60 if using mini loaf pans) until a toothpick inserted comes out clean.

Cool bread for 15 minutes before removing from the pan.

Wild Rice Pumpkin Soup

Nanci Jenkins, Ann Arbor

- 16 ounces canned pumpkin
 - 1/4 cup sliced scallions
 - 4 cups fat free chicken broth
 - 2 cups roasted skinless turkey, chopped or diced
 - 1 cup half-and-half cream
 - 1 tsp. seasoned salt
 - 2 cups cooked wild rice
 - 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
 - 1 1/2 cups chopped mushrooms
- Sauté mushrooms and onion with 2 tps. butter. Combine pumpkin and broth in a large pot; bring to a boil on the stove. Reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and heat to serving temperature.

Butternut Velvet Soup

Nanci Jenkins, Ann Arbor

- 1 large apple (Cortland, Honeycrisp, Macintosh or Pink Lady)
 - 1 medium onion
 - 2 lbs. Butternut squash
 - 2 14 ounce cans low fat chicken broth
 - 2 cups of water
 - 3 garlic cloves
 - 1/2 tsp. each ground cumin, ground coriander, ground ginger and allspice
 - 1 1/2 tsp. mild or medium paprika
 - 1 tsp. pepper
 - Salt to taste
 - Juice of one lemon (add after cooking)
- Roast the squash at 400 degrees Fahrenheit for one hour till tender. Slice the apple and the onion; sauté with 1 tps. olive oil for 1 minute. Add chopped garlic and spices and heat 30 seconds till aromatic.

Add stock to pot and add squash and apple onion mixture, cook 20 minutes. Scoop solids out and puree in batches - add small amount of broth. Serve the soup hot and just before serving stir in lemon juice to taste. Optional: top with a little diced onions and coriander leaves.

California Cheese Soup

Deana Stewart, Saline

- 1 qt. water
 - 2 chicken bouillon cubes
 - 1 cup diced celery
 - 1/2 cup diced onion
 - 2 1/2 cups diced potatoes
 - 1 cup diced carrots
 - 1 bag frozen California blend vegetables
 - 2 cans condensed Cream of Chicken soup
 - 1/2 to 3/4 pound Velveeta cheese
- Bring water to a boil. Add next six ingredients. Reduce heat and simmer while covered until all vegetables are tender. Stir in soup and cheese stirring constantly.

Pumpkin Raisin Bread

Irene Adler, Ann Arbor

- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
 - 1 16 ounces can pumpkin
 - 3 eggs
 - 2 1/3 cups Bisquick
 - 1 to 1 1/4 cups sugar
 - 1/2 cup raisins
- Mix all ingredients together. Pour in two loaf pans. Bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 to 50 minutes. Makes great holiday treats to give out.

Autumn Soup

Diane Irwin, Saline

- 1 lb. ground beef (browned and drained)
 - 3 stalks celery (sliced)
 - 3 carrots (sliced)
 - 1 medium onion (chopped)
 - 1 large can diced tomatoes
 - 1 6 ounce can tomato paste
 - Water (add for soup consistency)
 - Basil, salt and pepper to taste
 - 1 Bay leaf
- Stir all ingredients in crock pot for 6 to 8 hours.

Christmas Soup

Alana West, Manchester

- 1 can (19 ounces) ready-to-serve New England Clam Chowder
 - 1 can (11 ounces) condensed cheddar cheese soup, undiluted
 - 2 1/2 to 3 cups half-and-half cream
 - 1/4 cup white wine or chicken broth
 - 1 tps. Worcestershire sauce
 - 1 package (16 ounces) frozen stir-fry vegetable blend
 - 2 cans (6 ounces) crabmeat, drained, flaked and cartilage removed
 - 1 medium tomato, seeded and chopped
 - 2/3 cup shredded cheddar cheese
 - 2 tps. minced fresh parsley
 - 1/4 to 1/2 tsp. pepper
- In a large saucepan, combine chowder, soup, cream, wine or broth and Worcestershire sauce. Bring to a boil. Stir in vegetables; return to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 6 to 8 minutes or until vegetables are crisp and tender. Stir in crab, tomato, cheese, parsley and pepper. Cook and stir until heated through.

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30-minute meals

Chicken Jaques

Melissa Gatz, Grass Lake

- 4 to 6 chicken breasts cut up
- 1 8 ounce package sliced Swiss cheese
- 1 can Cream of Chicken soup
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 2 cups Pepperidge Farm stuffing

mix

1/2 cup butter (melted)
Place cut up chicken breasts into a greased 13 inch by 9 inch pan and cover with sliced cheese. Mix soup and wine and pour over cheese. Evenly spread stuffing over the soup mixture. Drizzle butter over stuffing. Cover with foil and bake 30 minutes or until very bubbly and brown around the edges.

Bavarian Meatballs

Irene Adler, Ann Arbor

- 1 pound ground round
 - 12 to 14 ounces bottle ketchup
 - 1 can of beer
- Make tiny cocktail meatballs. Place in a skillet. Pour ketchup over the meatballs. Do not season or stir. Cover and cook on medium-high for 30 minutes. Serve with rice and a vegetable for a delicious meal. Can be doubled.

Taco Pizza

Mary Jo Olmstead, Manchester

- 8 ounce package of biscuits
- 1 pound ground beef and turkey
- 1 tbsp. beef bouillon
- 2 tbsp. chopped onion
- 2 tbsp. chopped bell pepper
- 3/4 cup water
- 3/4 cup tomato paste

- 1 package taco seasoning
 - 8 ounces mozzarella cheese
 - 1 can chopped green chilies
- Press biscuits into 9 inch pie pan to form crust. Brown meat. Add bouillon, onion and peppers. Add tomato paste, green chilies, water, and taco seasoning. Put half of the meat into unbaked crust and add half of the cheese and then layer again. Bake at 400 degrees Fahrenheit for 15 minutes until brown.

Chicken Fajitas

Diane Irwin, Saline

- 6 boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into small strips
 - 1 large green pepper, cut into small strips
 - 1 large onion, cut into small strips
 - 1 tbsp. Canola oil
 - Chili powder (enough to heavily cover the chicken and vegetables)
 - Cumin (enough to heavily cover the chicken and vegetables)
 - Salt and pepper to taste
 - Tortilla shells
 - Sour cream
- Heat oil in fry pan. Saute chicken and green peppers until slightly

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Melissa Gatz won honorable mention for her Chicken Jaques recipe in the Heritage Newspapers' recipe contest.

SOUP

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Ana Hotelling, Chelsea

- 1 stick salted butter
- 2 medium yellow onions (chopped)
- 1 tbsp. prepared minced garlic or 4 fresh garlic cloves (minced)
- 1/4 cup fresh ginger root, peeled and minced
- 8 cups vegetable or beef stock
- 2 lbs. fresh carrots, peeled and sliced into 1/4 inch pieces
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 tsp. curry powder
- Fresh flat-leaf Italian parsley

(roughly chopped)

In a large pot, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the chopped onion, minced garlic and minced ginger. Cook over medium heat approximately 15 minutes, or until softened and onions are translucent. Add the stock and the carrot; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer, uncovered, for 40 to 45 minutes, until carrots are easily pierced with a fork.

Puree the soup in batches in a blender or food processor, or puree in the pot using a hand-held immersion blender. Add the lemon juice, curry powder, salt and pepper to taste, and blend well. Serve hot, sprinkled with parsley for garnish.

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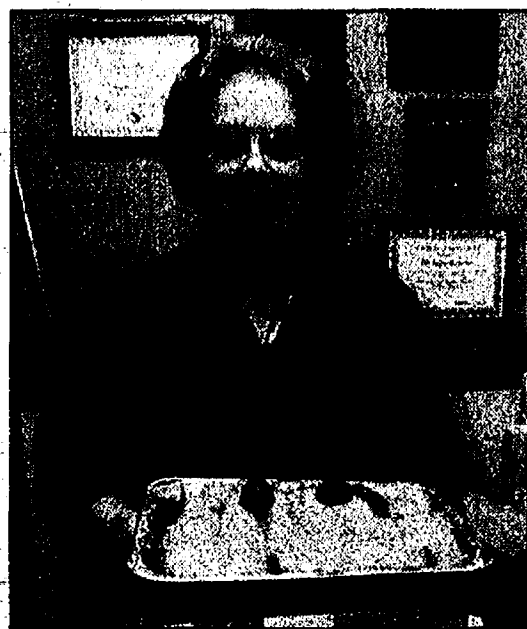
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Mary Jo Olmstead of Manchester won third place overall for her chicken enchiladas recipe.

browned, covering with spices. Add onions and more chili powder and cumin. (If you cook the onions when you first put in the chicken and green peppers, they scorch.) Cook until chicken is browned and vegetables are soft.

Heat tortilla shells in the microwave for 45 seconds. Coat with sour cream and add chicken mixture; wrap tortilla shells and enjoy.

Shrimp Scampi

Alana West, Manchester

1 pound (50 to 60 count) frozen cooked shrimp, de-tailed and thawed
3 tbsp. butter

1/8 cup olive oil
1 tbsp. minced garlic
1 tbsp. minced shallots
2 tbsp. snipped fresh chives (if available)

Salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste

1/4 tsp. paprika
Combine the butter, olive oil, garlic, shallots, chives, salt and pepper and paprika in a large saucepan. Stir until butter is melted. Add the shrimp. Cook just until shrimp is heated through. Don't cook longer, or shrimp will get tough. Serve over cooked Fettuccine noodles.

Garden Bake Breakfast

Barbara Richter, Ann Arbor

1/2 cup chopped zucchini
1/2 cup chopped tomato
1/2 cup chopped onion
2 tbsp. grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup Bisquick Heart Smart mix
1/2 cup fat-free (skim) milk
1/4 cup fat-free egg product or 2 egg whites

1/4 tsp. salt
Pepper to taste
Heat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit.



Chicken enchiladas

Spray 8 inch by 4 inch loaf pan with cooking spray. Sprinkle zucchini, tomato, onion and cheese in pan. In small bowl, stir remaining ingredients until blended. Pour over vegetables and cheese. Bake uncovered about 33 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes.

Chicken Enchiladas

Mary Jo Olmstead, Manchester

10 chicken tenders (breast)
3 cups chicken stock
1 bay leaf



Barbara Richter of Ann Arbor was a semifinalist with her garden bake breakfast holiday meal.

2 tsp. dried oregano
Small onion
2 garlic cloves
2 tbsp. tomato paste
1 tsp. ground cumin
1 tsp. chili powder
1 small can chopped green chilies
1/2 tsp. salt
2 tsp. cilantro
1/2 cup chicken broth
1/2 cup sour cream
1 can enchilada sauce
1 cup sharp cheddar cheese shredded
1 1/2 cups Monterey Jack and shredded cheddar cheese
8 soft tortillas
1 jar green salsa
Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Bring broth to a boil in sauté

pan. Set the chicken into the broth with bay leaf, oregano, onion and garlic. Return to a boil. Cover and reduce heat to simmer. Poach chicken in broth for 10 minutes. Remove chicken to bowl and shred. Add half cup cooking liquid, tomato paste, all spices and salt. Add green chilies and sour cream and 2/3 cup shredded Monterey Jack and cheddar cheese blend.

Put a small amount of enchiladas sauce in bottom of pan. Pile chicken mixture into tortillas and roll. Line baking dish with enchiladas seam side down. Pour enchilada sauce and jar of green salsa over chicken enchiladas. Top with remaining cheese. Place in oven and cook for 10 minutes to warm. Broil last couple of minutes to brown cheese. Serve with sour cream.

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Desserts



Melissa Gatzka of Grass Lake displays her grand prize-winning chocolate chip cookie dough brownies.

Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough Brownies

Melissa Gatzka, Grass Lake

1 box brownie mix
1/2 cup butter, softened
1/2 cup brown sugar, packed
1/4 cup sugar
2 tbsp. milk
1 tsp. vanilla
1 cup flour
1 cup mini-chocolate chips
Bake brownie mix as described and cool completely. Cream butter and sugars, add milk and vanilla and mix well. Beat in flour and fold in chocolate chips. Spread over brownies and refrigerate until firm. Cut into bars and enjoy.



Cindy Fischer of Dexter was awarded second place overall in the Heritage Newspapers' recipe contest for her pumpkin trifle recipe.

Pumpkin Trifle

Cindy Fischer, Dexter

1 box gingerbread cake mix
4 packages instant butterscotch pudding
4 cups milk
15 ounce can of pumpkin
1 tsp. cinnamon
1/4 tsp. ground ginger
1/4 tsp. nutmeg
1/4 tsp. all spice
1 large Cool Whip
Bake cake according to package directions, cool and crumble. Mix pudding with milk and let stand a few minutes then stir in pumpkin and spices. In a glass bowl layer 1/3 cake, 1/3 pudding, and 1/3 Cool Whip. Repeat to make three sections of layers. Chill and serve.

Chocolate Mint Snowballs

Alana West, Manchester

2 cups whipping cream (whipped)
1 package (16 ounces) miniature marshmallows
1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy
1 package (9 ounces) chocolate wafers
In a bowl, combine the whipped cream, marshmallows and candy. Cover and chill for three hours or overnight. Place wafer crumbs in a shallow dish. Stir marshmallow mixture; shape by 1/2 cupfuls into balls. Roll in crumbs and coat. Chill until serving. Yields 20 servings.



Alana West of Manchester displays her chocolate mint snowballs. The recipe was a semifinalist in the Heritage Newspapers' recipe contest.

Raspberry Citrus Bars

Diane Schultz, Manchester

1 cup soft butter
3/4 cup sifted powdered sugar
2 cups flour
4 eggs
1 1/2 cups sugar
1/3 cup lemon juice
2 tbsps. finely shredded orange

peel

1/4 cup flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1 1/2 cups fresh raspberries

Crust:

Beat butter to soften and add 3/4 cup of powdered sugar. Beat until combined.

Add the 2 cups of flour and beat until combined. Press into a greased 9 inch by 13 inch pan.

Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes or until golden.

Filling:

Mix eggs, granulated sugar, lemon juice, orange peel, 1/4 cup of flour and baking powder. Beat for 2 minutes. Sprinkle berries over crust. Pour filling on top. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes until light brown or set. Cool on a wire rack. Sprinkle with powdered sugar.

Cover and store chilled up to two days in the refrigerator. You can also freeze these bars.

Chocolate Macaroons

Nanci Jenkins, Ann Arbor

3/4 cup sugar
2 tbsp. cocoa
1/4 tsp. salt
2 egg whites (beat till stiff)
1 tsp. vanilla
1 3/4 cup shredded coconut

Combine first three ingredients and add the egg white beaten. Cook 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and add coconut and vanilla. Put on greased cookie sheet. Bake 15 minutes at 300 degrees Fahrenheit.

Carrot Cake

Diane Schultz, Manchester

Grease and flour a 9 inch by 13 inch pan or two 9 inch round pans. In a large bowl combine:

2 cups flour
2 cups sugar
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
In a large mixer combine:
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla

1 cup cooking oil
4 eggs

Slowly, add the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients and blend for 2 to 3 minutes.

Then add 3 cups finely shredded carrots, 1/2 of a 20 ounce can of crushed pineapple including 1/2 of the can's juice. Mix 1 to 2 more minutes until combined well.

Bake in a 325 degree oven for 60 minutes for a 9 inch by 13 inch pan and 40 minutes for the round pans.

Cool on a wire rack. Frost and sprinkle with chopped walnuts. Cover and store in the refrigerator.

Frosting:

In a mixer bowl beat together:
1 8 ounce package cream cheese
1/4 cup butter
1 tsp. vanilla

Beat all ingredients until light and fluffy. Gradually add in 2 cups powdered sugar. Beat until smooth.

Note: For the round pans you will need to double the frosting recipe.

Christmas Cake

Wanda Beard, Saline

2 cups of flour
1 tsp. nutmeg
1 tsp. soda
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp. baking powder
3 eggs
1/2 tsp. salt
1 cup oil
1 tsp. cloves
1 cup buttermilk
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 cup of chopped prunes
1 tsp. allspice
1 cup of chopped pecans

Mix dry ingredients. Beat eggs and sugar. Add oil, then add dry ingredients alternately with buttermilk. Bake in tube pan at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 1 hour.

Mix juice of two oranges, 2 cups confectioners sugar and 2 tsp. of orange rid for topping. Pour on cake while still in pan. Cool to serve.

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DESSERTS

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Maple Cream Pie

Nanci Jenkins, Ann Arbor

14 ounce can of condensed sweetened milk

2/3 cup real maple syrup

Dash of salt

Cook over low heat stirring constantly for 4 minutes, pour into pre-baked pie shell.

Whipped cream topping

1 cup heavy cream with 1/4 cup confectioner's sugar and 1 tsp. vanilla

Sprinkle with 3 tbsp toasted pecan chips

Sugar Free Creamy Chocolate Pie

Diane Irwin, Saline

1 3/4 cup cold milk

2 packages (four serving size each) sugar free chocolate fudge instant pudding

1 (8 ounce) tub sugar free Cool Whip, thawed

1 Oreo pie crust

Pour milk into large bowl. Add dry pudding mixes. Beat with wire whisk 2 minutes. Mixture will be thick. Fold in Cool Whip. Refrigerate 4 hours or until set. Garnish with additional Cool Whip and chocolate curls if desired.

Aunt Loretta's Cake

Deana Stewart, Saline

1 box yellow cake mix

1 stick melted butter

1 egg

Nuts

1 8 ounce bar of cream cheese

2 eggs

1 box powdered sugar

Bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for about 30 minutes. Mix cake mix, butter and eggs. Press in greased pan. Put nuts on top. Mix cream cheese, eggs and powdered sugar and pour on top of the nuts.

Coffee Cake

Deana Stewart, Saline

1 box white cake mix

1 box instant vanilla pudding

1/2 cup oil

4 eggs

8 ounces sour cream

1 tbsp. vanilla

Mix together for 2 minutes.

Topping:

1/2 cup chopped nuts

2 tsp. cinnamon

3/4 cup brown sugar

Mix topping. Put 1/2 of batter in greased pan then 1/2 of topping on top. Then add the rest of the topping and bake at 350 degrees.

Lemon Cake

Deana Stewart, Saline

1 package of yellow cake mix

1 package of lemon instant pudding

3/4 cup cooking oil

4 eggs

3/4 cup water

1 tsp. lemon juice

Mix and bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 minutes.

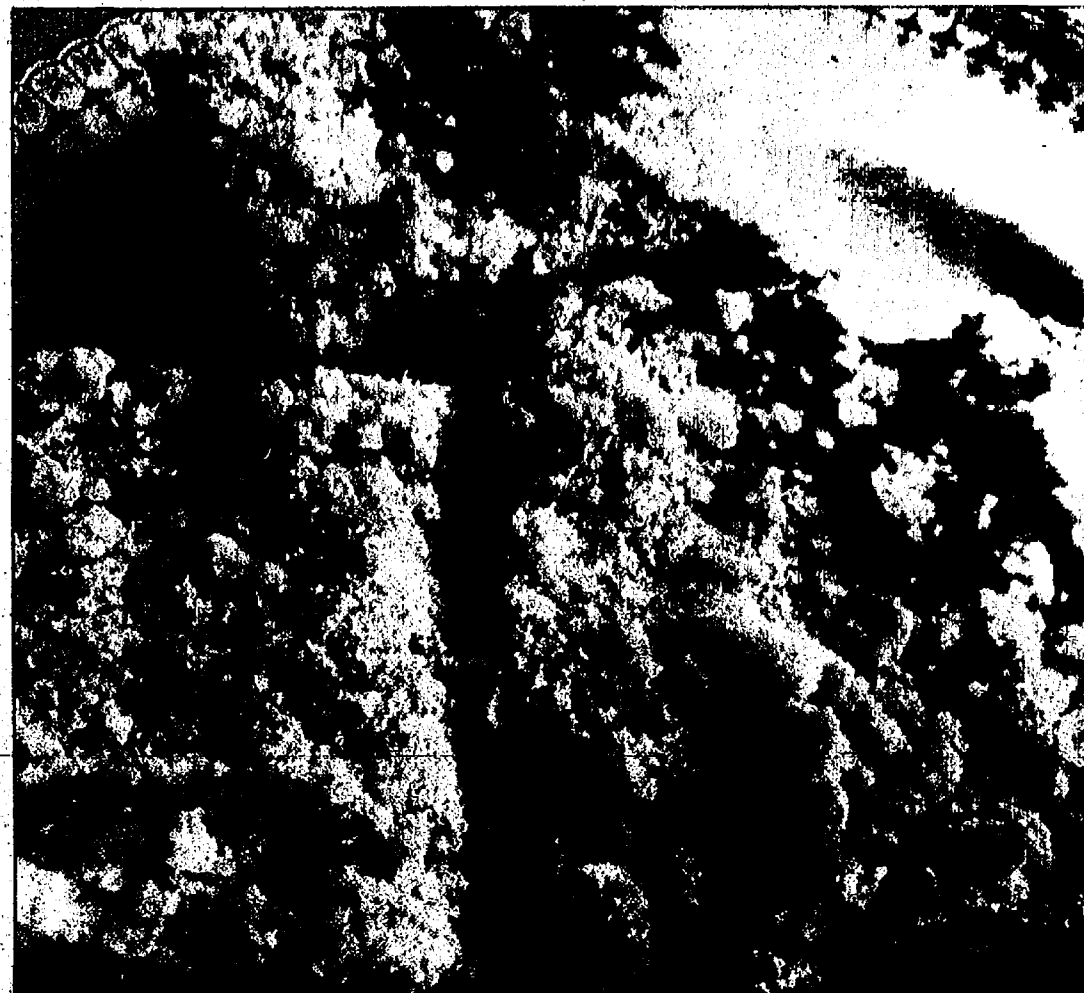
Add:

1 stick butter

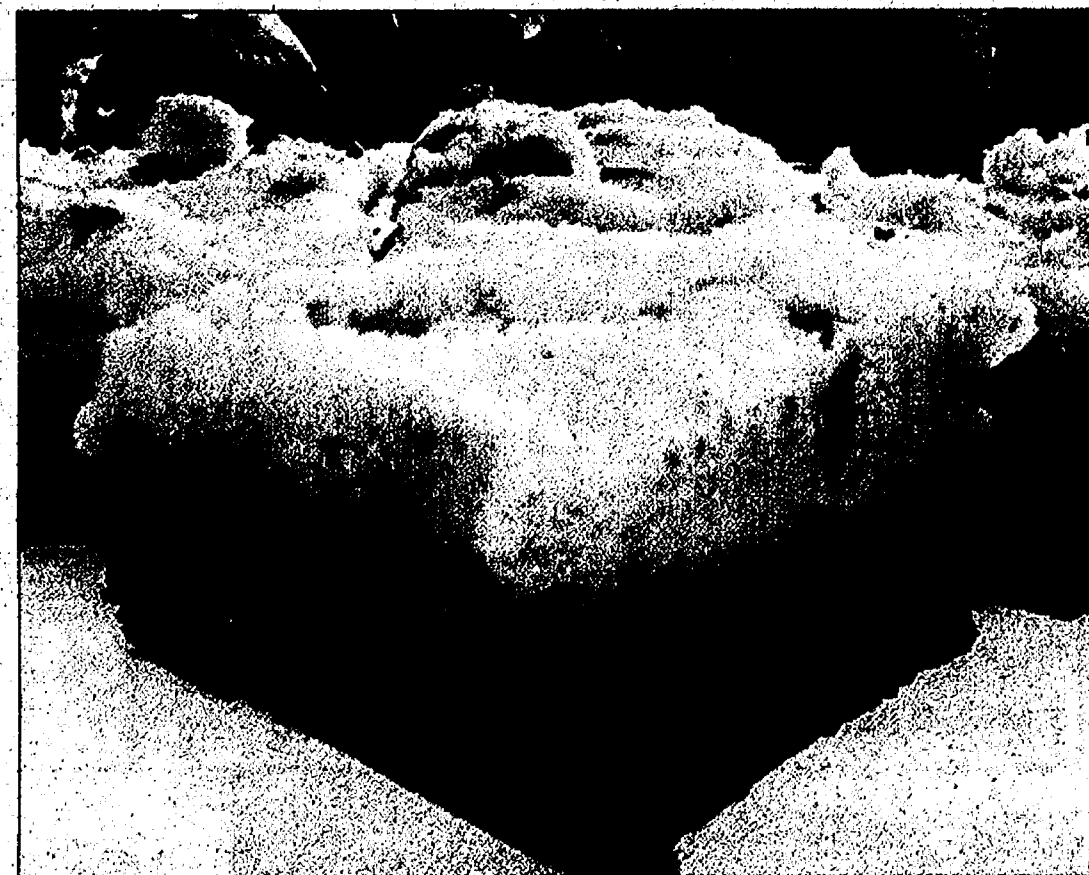
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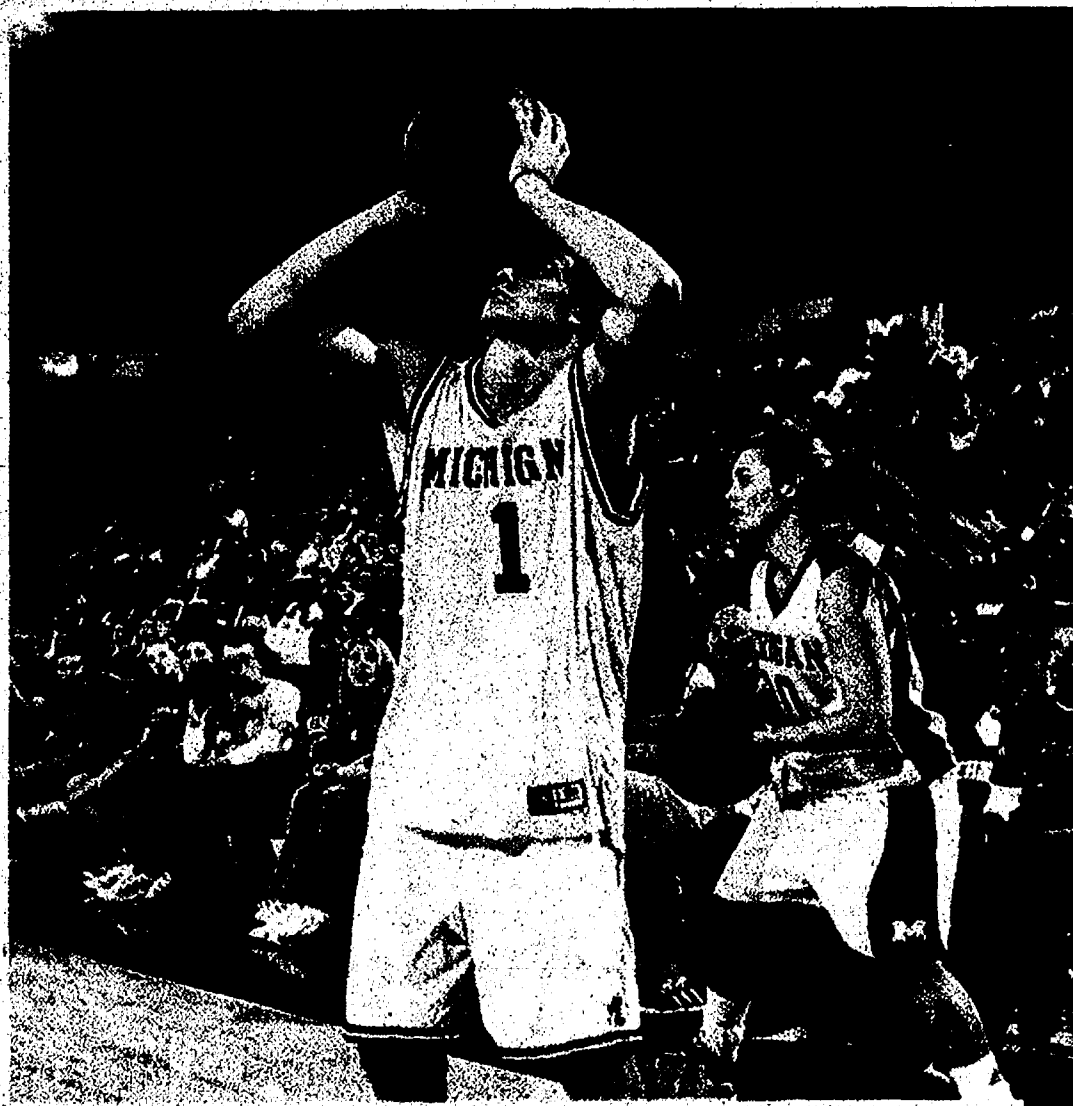
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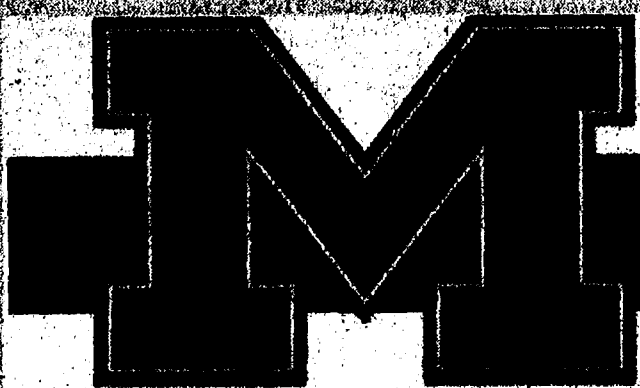
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Thanks for picking up this edition of the Maize 'N Blue. Whether it's the first time you've seen it or an old family favorite, we put out this publication hoping that you'll learn some interesting things, things that you may not find out online or at a game. We want you to stay connected to Michigan Athletics because we know how important the Wolverines are to you. So read on! Find out about the upcoming seasons of the Men's and Women's Basketball teams. Read about Ice Hockey, even if you can't make it to Yost. We know that you're busy and that times are tough, so we hope that this piece of Michigan will serve as a thank you for your Maize-and-Blue through-and-through dedication even if we don't see you at every game (although we'd certainly love having you).

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Hockey Hook-Up

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Football Feature

You're all probably very familiar with Michigan Football's route this year: 4-0 in September with a great win against Notre Dame, followed by a 1-5 record in the Big 10, tempered only by the blowout win over Delaware State. Here's what Coach Rich Rodriguez and his players have had to say throughout the season:

After Win over Notre Dame:

Coach Rodriguez on Tate Forcier's poise in the last drive: "I've really seen it the last four weeks; it's all really since he's been here. He's kind of a unique individual. Everything around him may be going crazy, and yet he's still calm in the middle of the storm. Some guys have that quality, and he's one of them. A lot of guys make some plays for him, and I was proud of the way he hung in there."

After Win over Indiana:

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Coach Rodriguez on the Game: "They (the Hoosiers) have a good team, and they played pretty well. We had a lot of unforced errors too, but we got the win. I'm proud of the guys. We've talked all year that we're going to have to play every game for 60 minutes. We have to get out and battle, and we did that. We got a nice win, and we've got a lot of things to work on."

Ryan Van Bergen on Donovan Warren's game-sealing interception: "That was amazing. He's always been making plays; that's what he does. All I did was try to take the receiver off of him. He made an excellent play. He'd been waiting all game. They didn't throw to him very much, so when he did get an opportunity, he made the best of it."

After Overtime Loss to Michigan State:

Obi Eze on the loss: "Obviously, it's not the outcome that you wanted or you had hoped for or you had dreamed of throughout the week, so everybody's in a little bit of a shock right now. Michigan State, they played a good football game. At the end of the day, we just couldn't get it done. Michigan State just came out and played a heck of a game. But, I thought we played tough; we played hard. We were determined. We never quit playing."

The team has a big game left against Ohio State, and hopefully another bowl game after that. But football isn't the only game that these players are good at. It's rumored that David Meesman and Obi Eze have a friendly chess rivalry, Kevin Grady enjoys Monopoly, and Denard Robinson can really own at Connect Four. But, for right now, they're working on their football skills.

Fall Review

Field Hockey

The field hockey team had some tough-luck losses against highly ranked non-conference teams including a 2-1 loss to then-#2 Wake Forest and a 2-1 loss to then-#4 North Carolina. Once the team entered the Big Ten season, the wins didn't get any easier, and the team finished with a 2-5 Big Ten record and a 4-2 loss in the Big Ten Tournament to #18 Penn State. Despite the difficult season, three Wolverines were named to the All-Big Ten teams: Junior Meredith Way (First team) and RS Junior Paige Layton and Junior Anna Mayer (Second team).

Men's Soccer

Michigan Men's Soccer celebrated its 10th Varsity season and its 100th win in 2009, along with a big start and a big Senior Day double-overtime win against #12 Northwestern. Unfortunately, the team couldn't ride that big win into any success in the Big Ten Tournament. Senior Marco Fuzetti lead the team with eight goals this season and a total of 19 points; he ended his Michigan career as the all-time leader in shots attempted (186) and in the top three in career goals (23). He was selected to the first team All-Big Ten and teammate Justin Meron was selected to the second team.

Women's Soccer

The Michigan Women's Soccer team finished 6-5-5, doubling their win total from last year. The team had a tough all season, evident in their 5 ties but came up on the losing end more often than not. Senior defender Julie Carron was honored as a second team All-Big Ten defender for her points season finish. Senior Alex Carron was named the team's representative for the sportsmanship award, and senior defender Julie Carron was named the 2009® Look for Carron to lead the team once again next year.

Volleyball

Michigan Volleyball continues its marathon season with three games left before the Big Ten tournament. The team has been ranked as highly as #6 in the country, and the Wolverines first loss didn't come until the 13th game of the year. The team looks to ride its winning season far into the Big Ten and the NCAA tournaments. Thus far, Seniors Megan Bower, Juliana Paz, Cassie Petosky, and Veronica Rood have lead the team through a great season, but it's not over yet!

On Hoops

Coach Kevin Borseth of the Women's Basketball team has recruited top players from Minnesota, Canada, Illinois, Ohio, and, of course, Michigan. The team has players from all over. So what made them come to Michigan?

Read on for excerpts from MGoBlue.com to get some answers.

Freshman Sam Arnold (Illinois): I love the coaches, the girls on the team, and the academics here at Michigan. I'm also far enough away from home, but still close enough where my parents will be able to come to the games and see me.

Freshman Jenny Ryan (2009 Michigan's Miss Basketball): Michigan basically had it all. Between the energetic and great coaching staff, the current players, the campus, the high academic standards, and everything in between, it was clear that Michigan was right.

Freshman Nya Jordan (Michigan): The team was nice, and I know I'm going to get a good education. It's also close to home and a Division I program.

Freshman Dayeesha Hollins (Ohio): The main reason I came to Michigan was Coach Borseth. I loved the campus too, but I had been to several other campus environments that I liked just as well that also had great academics. So the coaching staff was the deciding factor, and Coach Borseth did it for me. He was very much like the coaches that I have had from my early years through high school -- very passionate, intelligent, competitive, and no nonsense.

Sophomore Jamillya Hardley (Michigan): The coaching staff really sealed the deal for me. They made me feel right at home when I came for my visits and Michigan showed the most interest in me out of all the other schools that were recruiting me.

Sophomore Courtney Boylan (2008 Minnesota's Miss Basketball): There were a lot of things that made me want to come to Michigan. First, I love the coaching staff. Everyone on staff is friendly and dedicated to making this program better. Second was education. By choosing to come to the University of Michigan, I knew that I was going to graduate with a degree that truly had meaning. Third, I love Ann Arbor. The actual city reminds me a little of Minnesota.

NOV. 16-JAN 17

Women's Gym vs. Iowa/Bowling Green

Saturday, Jan. 9th @ 6:00pm

Volleyball vs. Minnesota

Friday, Nov. 20th @ 7:00pm

Ice Hockey vs. Alaska

Friday, Jan. 15th @ 7:35pm

Women's Basketball vs. Iowa

Thursday, Jan. 7th @ 7:00pm

Men's Basketball vs. Boston College

Tuesday, Dec. 22nd @ 7:00pm

Women's Basketball vs. Northwestern

Monday, Dec. 28th @ 7:00pm

The Dual (Track vs. Ohio State)

Saturday, Jan. 16th @ 12:00pm

Ice Hockey vs. Notre Dame

Friday, Dec. 11th @ 7:35pm

Football vs. Ohio State

Saturday, Nov. 21st @ 12:00pm

Men's Basketball vs. Connecticut

Sunday, Jan. 17th @ 1:30 or 4:30pm

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VOLLEYBALL

***Wed, Nov 18 vs. Michigan State @ 6pm**

-Michigan Drum Line: watch them

perform during games 2 and 3

***Fri, Nov 20 vs. Minnesota @ 7pm**

-Michigan Rally Towel Giveaway

-Senior Night: Honor our seniors during their

final home match. Cake will be served!

ICE HOCKEY

***Fri, Nov 20 vs. Bowling Green @ 7:35pm**

-Michigan Trading Cards Giveaway

***Fri, Nov 27 vs. Minnesota @ 7:35pm**

-Absopure Ice Cube Trays Giveaway

***Sat, Nov 28 vs. Wisconsin @ 7:35pm**

-Michigan Trading Cards II Giveaway

***Fri, Dec 11 vs. Notre Dame @ 7:35pm**

-Toys for Tots Teddy Bear Toss

-AT&T Flair Hair Giveaway

MEN'S BASKETBALL

***Fri, Nov 20 vs. Houston Baptist @ 7pm**

-\$1 Admission with Canned Food Donation

***Sat, Dec 5 vs. Arkansas Pine Bluff @ 2pm**

-Family Four Pack: \$20

***Sun, Dec 13 vs. Detroit @ 12pm**

-Boy Scout Day

-Family Four Pack: \$20

***Tue, Dec 22 vs. Coppin State @ 7pm**

-Alumni Association Night

-Bobblehead Giveaway

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

***Thu, Nov 19 vs. Southern Miss. @ 7pm**

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***Mon, Dec 28 vs. Northwestern @ 7pm**

-Abrakadoodle Art Night





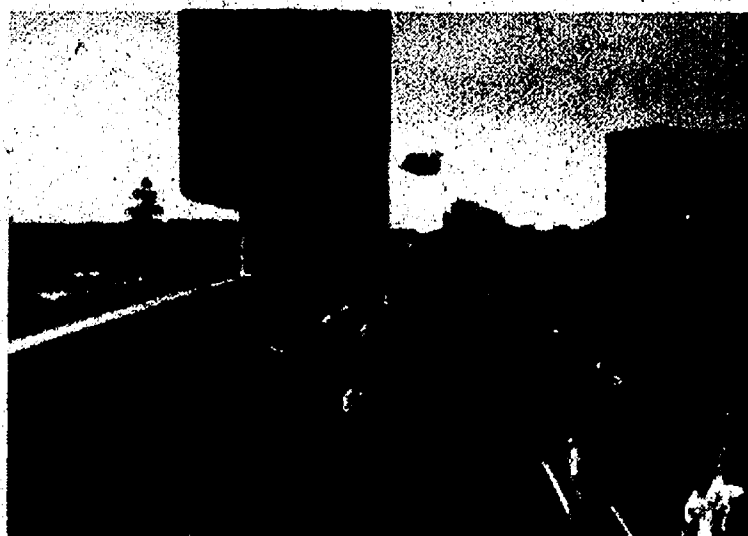
Kids Club Spotlight

A Letter from Pennsylvania

So Michigan is big rivals with Penn State, right? Well... Guess where I live! Right in Penn State country! So I get taunted all the time for wearing my Michigan things! I have to wear a uniform to school, but that doesn't stop me from wearing my Michigan beanie and socks! I have sweatpants, too. I wear as much of it as much as I can. Even though they say, "Guess who beat Michigan?", I respond right back and say, "Oh yeah, and who's that team that beat Penn State 9 years in a row?" Go Blue!
~Riley Green, 11 years old

Greetings from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil!

Táttos Bálint Smith, 5 years old, may be one of Brazil's biggest Michigan fans, and he's certainly a great ambassador for the school. In a place where most kids play soccer, Táttos is teaching his friends "American Football." Most of the kids have never seen a football, and they ask him about the jersey he wears so often. He tells everyone who asks that the University of Michigan "is the best football team in the U.S." The same thing happens when Táttos is in Hungary and France. See, Táttos is also Hungarian and French and travels to each country about twice a year. When he plays football with his dad, Táttos asks his dad to imitate the horns for the lead-in to "Let's Go Blue!" When he crosses the goal line, Táttos throws his hands up in the air and does his own announcing: "TOUCHDOWN MIIICHIGANI!"



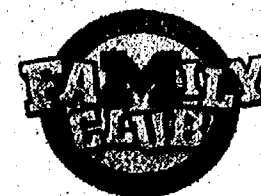
Kaylee Brzozowski
8 years old



Matty Phillips, Age 7, Ohio
with Coach Maloney

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