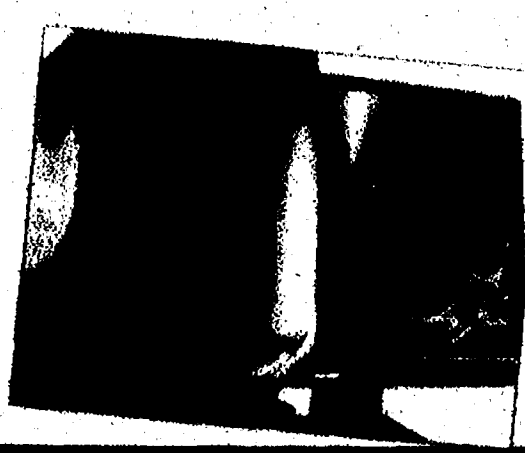


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Brewmaster forms local beer club

Members share common interest in brewing technique
By Daniel Lai
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A new club that caters to beer aficionados in the Chelsea area has seen a steady rise in membership since its first meeting in December.

Founder Chris Martinson said the Chelsea Homebrew Club provides a laidback atmosphere for people with similar interests in beer brewing to share ideas and techniques. "I've met several people over the years who have expressed interest in forming a club in the area," Martinson said. "Our primary goal is to share brewing experiences and make club members better brewers."

An avid brewer himself, Martinson said he has been making his own beer for six years and plans to open a brewery in Chelsea in the near future. "A few years ago a friend of mine taught me how to brew my own beer and I caught the bug," he said. The Chelsea Homebrew Club meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursdays of the month at various locations around town. "Since we're so new, we haven't established a set loca-

tion yet," Martinson said. Roughly 14 people attended the first meeting, and Martinson said he expects attendance to grow at the club's next gathering. "I think we'll see more people from Chelsea and the Ann Arbor area come out and join the club," he said. Martinson said meetings mostly consist of sharing ideas and taste testing homebrews. "There is a wide range of experience in the club. We have first-time brewers and other who have been brewing for a long time," he said. "It's a good venue to learn from each other and ask questions."

Martinson said homebrewing is fairly easy and is a fun hobby. "It's slightly cheaper than buying it in the store, and it's fun to experiment with different styles," he said. "People who like to cook or who have an interest in how things are made will have a lot of fun brewing their own beer."

Martinson said he is excited about the club's potential. "It will be fun to see how many different people come out to our meetings," he said. "We're looking forward to expanding the club and we're open to ideas." For more information on the Chelsea Homebrew Club, e-mail chelseahomebrew@gmail.com. Daniel Lai can be reached at 429-7380 or dli@heritage.com

Terra Incognita

Exchange student learns ins and outs of U.S. living

By Crystal Hayduk
Special Writer
Michigan's long winters have granted months of gray skies, snowstorms and frigid temperatures. But for Patty Phong-phoung, a foreign exchange student from Thailand, winter is an exciting time. Phong-phoung is a 16-year-old senior at Chelsea High School who is spending the school year with host parents, Rick and Joni Benson.

"In Thailand, it's sunny all of the time, except for two months of rainy season when it rains on most days," she said. "It can get boring. It's always 80 degrees, sometimes as low as 60 degrees."

"I really enjoy the fashion here in the United States. There are lots of things you can wear with the changes in the weather."

Joni Benson said that when the weather first began to get chilly in the fall, Phong-phoung would often forget to wear a jacket.

"Putting on a coat isn't part of her life there," she said. Phong-phoung wears uniforms to her private school in Thailand, so the variety of clothing in the United States has been fun for her. But the difference between schools doesn't stop at fashion.

"As soon as Patty finishes school here, she has to get right back home to start her senior year," Benson said. "The school year there is from June to March."

Rick Benson said that Phong-phoung would be a senior again in Thailand because Chelsea School



Photo by Crystal Hayduk
Patty Phong-phoung, a foreign exchange student from Thailand, visits with her host family, Rick and Joni Benson of Chelsea.

District makes exchange students seniors.

"That way they can enjoy a lot of the senior activities like prom and walking at graduation," he said.

In the same, all students take the same courses and stay in the same classroom all day. The teachers rotate classrooms, instead.

"It's been hard to get used to going between classes in only four minutes," Phong-phoung said. "But I like being able to choose classes. This term I am taking English, U.S. History, FST (math class), choir and French."

Besides Thai, Phong-phoung speaks fluent English, which she studied in school from her early years. She also speaks

some Korean, and can go home with a little French added to her repertoire.

Outside of school, Phong-phoung is a member of the school's bowling team, and is looking forward to the start of Company C rehearsals in January.

Phong-phoung plans to attend college near her home in Bangkok. Since fifth grade, she has been taking extra classes each weekend to prepare for college entrance exams.

"Without the tutoring, it's a lot harder to do well on the exams," she said. "You can take them up to six times and use your best score. But you pay each time, and it's expensive. You have more of

an advantage if you have the money for these things."

Phong-phoung wanted to become an exchange student to immerse herself in a new culture and learn about the way Americans live first-hand.

"I heard the food was good here, too," she said.

Phong-phoung's family in Thailand consists of a mother who works at the Thailand International Airport, a father who is an officer in the police force, a 12-year-old brother, a live-in nanny, and a Pomeranian mix puppy named Tokyo. Phong-phoung's real name is Chommakorn, but she is known as Patty.

"It's common for people to

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Submitted photo
Chris Martinson of Chelsea brews a batch of his homemade beer during a recent demonstration. The Chelsea Homebrew Club meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of the month.

MLK celebration set for Jan. 19

Wang to give keynote address; diversity topic of ceremonies
By Joanne Ladio
Guest Writer

Frances Kai-Hwa Wang will be the keynote speaker at the 2010 community celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The event is sponsored by Chelsea's One World One Family Task Force and will take place at 7 p.m. Jan. 18 in the auditorium at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

Wang writes the Multicultural Living column for AnnArbor.com. She will address this year's theme, "Living in Harmony." Her column speaks to living with diversity and how to handle the

everyday issues - good, bad and funny - that come with multicultural living.

Wang is a second-generation Chinese-American from California who now

divides her time between Michigan and Hawaii. She is an editor of ImDiversity.com, lead multicultural contributor for AnnArbor.com, a contributor for NewAmericamedia.org, and she writes the syndicated column, "Adventures in Multicultural Living."

She is a popular speaker on Pacific American and multicultural issues and she team-teaches "Asian Pacific American History and the Law" at the University of Michigan. She is also outreach coordinator of the Ann Arbor Chinese Center of Michigan, and she is on the advisory board of American Citizens for Justice.

A self-described civil rights activist, Wang said she speaks out on behalf of others. Her stories are poignant, humorous and informative.

The program for the Chelsea

celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day also includes the presentation of the eighth annual Carrying the Dream Award. This is Chelsea's ninth annual community celebration.

One World One Family was founded in 2001 and organized Chelsea's first community celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. in January 2002. Their goal is to help the community recognize the diversity of the human family while promoting understanding of the world's cultures through activities and educational events.

For more information on the celebration and other

events sponsored by One World One Family, contact Joanne Ladio jradio21@comcast.net, or Sandy Peterson at peterson.sandra01@gmail.com.

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Relay for Life seeks volunteers

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Committee chairmen and volunteers for the committees are needed. For more information, contact Hollie Bayer of the American Cancer Society at 1-734-971-4300.

Recycling creatively with children

HOST

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have an American nickname there," she said.

Phong-phuong is a practicing Buddhist in Thailand, where Christmas is not celebrated.

"We know about Santa, but we don't celebrate the holiday," she said. "There is a huge Christmas tree at the mall. I don't know why it's there except maybe to increase sales or for tourists."

While in Chelsea, she attends church at St. Mary's with her host parents.

Phong-phuong said she has learned a lot during her visit, and she hopes that her classmates are learning about her culture as well.

"One thing we've noticed is that the kids here like to know the exchange student," Rick Benson said. "But even though they know her and a bit about her culture, they don't always draw her close and really become friends. That can make things a little lonely for Patty."

Dahlem Education Director Kimberly May will guide children as they delve into the world of "green creativity" at 2 p.m. Jan. 17 at The Dahlem Conservancy.

Participants can transform holiday cards into a 3-D greeting card, a bookmark, or a gift tag. Participants should bring their own holiday cards and photos if desired. Cardstock, glue and scissors will be provided. Children under age 8 must have a guardian.

There is a \$3 admission fee for non-members and members of Dahlem attend free. Advanced registration is

required. Call 1-517-782-3453 to reserve a seat.

For more information, visit www.dahlemcenter.org.

Scrapbook Social

Dahlem Education Director Kimberly May will guide teens and adults into the creative realm of scrapbooking with a Scrapbooking Social at 2 p.m. Jan. 16 at The Dahlem Conservancy.

May will lead adults and teens in designing a 12 inch by 12 inch scrapbook page and a large greeting card to frame or give. Participants should bring

their own holiday photos and holiday cards. Cardstock, glue and scissors will be provided. Brownies and hot chocolate will be served.

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Businesses brace for smoking ban

New statewide law set to take effect in May

By Austen Smith, Daniel Lai and Jana Miller
Heritage Newspapers

Starting in May, the old adage "Smoke 'em if you got 'em" will no longer apply to Michigan workplaces.

On Dec. 10, House Bill 4377 prohibiting smoking in all work establishments, with the exception of casino gaming floors, cigar bars and tobacco specialty shops, passed in the state Legislature after months of debate since the bill was first introduced by House Democrats in February.

The statewide measure, similar to other legislation adopted in 37 other states, has sparked debate among area bar and restaurant owners about

whether the smoking ban will hurt or help businesses, and whether the legislation represents unnecessary government intrusion.

Contrary to the conventional argument that banning smoking will have an adverse impact on bars as regular smokers whom have grown accustomed to pulling up a stool and lighting a cigarette will now elect to stay at home, several Ypsilanti restaurateurs not only welcomed the smoking ban, but celebrated it.

For Linda French, longtime owner of Sidetrack Bar and Grill, the legislation couldn't come soon enough, as they had taken steps to limit smoking at the Ypsilanti nightlife fixture even before the bill had been introduced at the state level.

"We actually welcome it," French said enthusiastically. "For years, we were smoking and we had a small non-smoking section, but about a year ago we stopped smoking for lunch and dinner and it increased our business tremendously."

When the bill's passing was announced, French said there was grumbling from some of her regulars, but she doesn't anticipate the smoking ban will impact business at area bars and restaurants. In fact, she is confident that her fellow restaurateurs will see an uptick in business as non-smokers will be more apt to patronize the local nightlife.

"I get people telling me all the time, 'Now I can come out and eat at Sidetrack,'" French said. "We actually for years debated on whether to make this place non-smoking, even before all the restaurants in Ann Arbor decided to go that way."

But when we did, it was dream come true. I guess I should be the poster child for the non-smoking movement."

Renee Greff, owner of the Arbor Brewing Co. and Corner Brewery in Ypsilanti, agrees with French saying that the smoking ban has been long overdue. In August, Renee and co-owner husband, Matt Greff, made the Arbor Brewing Co. smoke free, not in anticipation of the bill but because they felt as if the state Legislature would never pass the bill.

"We thought that (the state) would never get it done, so we just thought it would be easier if we did it ourselves."

At the Corner Brewery, opened in 2006, the Greffs have employed a smoke-free atmosphere since opening day and Renee said nearly all of the data concerning smokers and the bar/restaurant industry has shown that most patrons welcome smoke-free establishments and no-smoking legislation. She said the argument that such legislation represents unnecessary government intrusion is simply a "scare tactic."

"That argument doesn't hold any weight whatsoever," Renee said. "It's a matter of public health. Employers don't get to decide whether to put their customers around poisonous or dangerous substances."

"It's like saying the government has no say over what temperature I can set my coolers to. Of course, they absolutely have a say because it's a matter of public health."

Renee, like French, said when they instituted no smoking at Arbor Brewing Co. there was some grumbling from regulars, but in the long run she is confident having the brewpub smoke free is better for business.

"We thought that going



Sarah Sheets (right), general manager for Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti's Depot Town, and Alex Nemats both agree and support the recently enacted smoking ban across Michigan. Sheets said she had been waiting for the bill to pass, and believes it will increase business at the Ypsilanti nightlife fixture.

smoke free would give us a competitive advantage. When we did go smoke free... we gained some new people. We're hoping that some of the people we lost when this bill goes into effect will want to come home," Renee said. "If people look at the data, it is overwhelming that it shows going smoke free always increases business."

In Manchester, options are limited for nightlife and dining, but Dennis Thompson, owner of the Hungry Wolf on Austin Road, said most of his customers are non-smokers.

"I'm 50-50 on (the new law)," Thompson said. "I kind of felt the push was coming this way, so I'm just setting myself up for it. I don't think it will affect us too much."

"Frankly, I thought it was going to happen long before now, and I've heard more people say they like the change than don't. Obviously, a few smokers aren't happy, but we aren't expecting it to really hurt us."

Chris DeHerrera of Uptown Coney Island in Chelsea is among a number of restaurant owners who had initiated their own smoke-free policy before the proposed state legislation starting making headlines. DeHerrera said his restaurant initiated a smoking ban four years ago.

"We had a smoking area, but we didn't have anything to separate it from the nonsmoking area," he said. "It worked out well for us here, but 70 percent of my clientele are seniors."

DeHerrera also owns a restaurant in Ann Arbor and said the smoking ban might have a small effect on the business until patrons get used to it.

"Since it's going to be mandated by the state, it will be no

smoking wherever you go. It might slow down business at first, but it's no different than gas prices. People might not like it, but they will obey it."

Bob Hebner, owner of the North Point Seafood and Steakhouse in Dexter, said currently the restaurant only allows smoking in the bar area.

"The smoking ban is something that has been coming for years," he said. "As an ex-smoker, I think it's a good thing."

Hebner said he doesn't expect to lose much business over the new law.

"If I were to do it myself, I would lose customers. But because they can't walk across the street and smoke in another restaurant, I don't think it will affect us much," he said.

Hebner said since word of the bill's passage has been broadcast on local news stations, more customers already have begun complaining about the smokers in the restaurant's bar.

"All of a sudden, people's sensitivity changed when they heard about the new law going into effect," he said. "We hardly ever got any complaints and now we get one or two complaints a day."

Not all local bar and restaurant owners are so thrilled with the legislation, however, as Jim LaChance from the recently opened Bone Heads Bar-B-Que in Willis said the legislation has state government trespassing on basic rights.

"I'm not happy about the government telling us what to do, what not to do and where to do it," LaChance said. "People have been smoking for hundreds of years."

"To me, I just think there should be places one can go and smoke, and a bar is one of them."

Highlights of the bill

■ Smoking of cigarettes, cigars and other tobacco-based products and paraphernalia is prohibited in all Michigan workplaces, excluding casino gaming floors. But the law does apply to bars and restaurants located within the casino.

■ Smoking also will be permitted at tobacco specialty stores grandfathered into the bill. Tobacco specialty store means an establishment in which the primary purpose is the retail sale of tobacco products and smoking paraphernalia. Tobacco store does not include a tobacco department of a section of a larger commercial establishment or any establishment with any type of liquor, food or restaurant license.

■ Managers of workplaces covered under this act should place "No Smoking" signs at the entrances to and in very building or other area where smoking is prohibited under the act.

■ An individual should not smoke in a food service establishment. The director, an authorized representative, or a representative of a local health department should inspect each food service establishment that is subject to this section. The inspecting entity should determine compliance with this section during each inspection. Within five days after receipt of written complaint of violation, a local health department should investigate the complaint to determine compliance. If a violation is identified and not corrected as ordered by the local health department within two days after receipt of the order by the food service establishment, the local health officer may issue an order to cease food service operations until compliance is achieved.

I just think it's something that should be left alone."

As far as business, LaChance doesn't expect to see much, if any, drop-off despite the fact the restaurant typically gets a lot of smokers patronizing the business. He said that he has talked with several regulars who feel the same way about the legislation.

"We just feel like the government shouldn't be telling us what to do," he said. "Next thing you know, they'll be telling us what we can do at home."

As for the state's point of view, state Rep. Kathy Angerer, D-55th District, who represents Saline and parts of Ann Arbor, said that she had been in conversation with many of her constituents before voting on the bill, which she supported wholeheartedly.

"I just believe that this will become second nature for doing business in Michigan," Angerer said.

"I believe my district expected me to support the bill; they wanted me to. And the bottom line is this is a health issue and it has been shown across the country that this works."

When asked about a provision in the bill that would allow local health department officials to shut down an eatery's food service if there is a violation that is not remedied within two days from when the complaint was made, Angerer said she doesn't see that as something that will be enforced regularly, if at all.

"I believe that this will be something that is not going to be difficult for Michigan businesses," Angerer said.

Local students to attend DECA conference

Michigan Distributive Education Clubs of America, an organization of marketing students, will hold the District 4 and District 5 conferences at Eastern Michigan University's student center.

More than 30 high schools and career centers from central and eastern Michigan will attend the conferences Thursday and Friday.

Students will be able to show

business professionals, serving as volunteer judges, that they have what it takes to become the world's future workforce leaders.

The conference is an opportunity for business professionals to interact one-on-one with students being educated in the free enterprise system, and to get a sneak peek at their potential future employees.

Students compete for

the right to advance to Michigan DECA's State Career Development Conference held annually in March at the Hyatt Regency Dearborn. Out of more than 2,500 students competing at the state conference, an elite group will be chosen to represent Michigan at DECA's annual International Career Development Conference in Louisville, where they will compete with more than 12,000

DECA members.

Marketing educators and professionals have designed 20 events to help students learn skills necessary for careers in marketing, management, merchandising and entrepreneurship.

Ann Arbor Pioneer will attend the District 4 event with Saline High School and Ypsilanti High School, among others.

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WASHTENAW COUNTY COURT BRIEFS

Man to face trial in Pinball Pete's arson

A homeless man suspected of setting a fire that destroyed the former Pinball Pete's Arcade location near the University of Michigan Central Campus in Ann Arbor was bound over to trial last week.

Justin Arens, 21, waived his right to a preliminary hearing during a brief appearance in Washtenaw County District Court last week, court records show. He is charged with one count of arson of personal property exceeding \$20,000 for the Oct. 24 blaze that gutted the two-story vacant structure. No one was injured, but the fire caused evacuations of several buildings around the 1217 S. University Ave. address, including the University Towers high-rise practically next door.

Ann Arbor police arrested Arens on a tip from the public about a month after the fire. He then helped convince an alleged accomplice, Ian Mackenzie, to turn himself in, police said.

Prosecutors dropped one count of arson of personal property against Mackenzie, 18, last month but he still faces arson of real property and unauthorized burning charges at a pre-trial hearing scheduled in Washtenaw County Circuit Court this week, records show.

Fire investigators determined an accelerant was used to start the fire, which spread quickly to the roof from the second floor. But they have not yet released a motive. Both men were considered homeless and were believed to be squatting in the structure for some time before the fire, police said.

The building had been vacant since the arcade moved virtually across the street in 2001.

Arens remains at the Washtenaw County Jail on \$100,000 bond.

Milan woman appears in court on animal cruelty charges

A Milan woman stood mute to animal cruelty charges in Washtenaw County District Court last week and will be represented by a court-appointed

attorney as the case proceeds.

Heather Feist made her initial court appearance on one count of animal cruelty and abandonment during a brief arraignment hearing last week, court records show. A not guilty plea was entered on her behalf by District Judge Richard Conlin and an attorney was to be appointed to the case by her scheduled pre-trial hearing this week.

Feist, 35, was charged last month after a lengthy review by the Washtenaw County Prosecutor's Office. A Milan police officer, working in conjunction with an investigator with the Humane Society of Huron Valley, responded to an animal abuse complaint at Feist's residence in the 200 block of County Street on Oct. 23. They discovered an 11-month-old puppy tied to a landing and bleeding from the neck.

Police reports indicate that the dog, named Lou, was severely emaciated and had an infected neck wound caused by a collar that became embedded into the dog's neck. It was unclear how long the Labrador mix was tied by the collar, which was too tight.

Feist said the dog was hyperactive and would cause damage to her home if left free. She said she received it from a friend and surrendered ownership to the DHK Animal Rescue in Milan that day. Lou was recovering well from his wounds and is being prepped for adoption, officials said.

Feist remains free on a personal recognizance bond.

Drunk bank robber switches attorney

The man who allegedly fled an Ann Arbor bank with an undisclosed amount of cash only to be caught passed out drunk behind the wheel a few hours later has switched attorneys, court records show.

James Nicholas, 40, is still slated to stand trial on one count of bank robbery in Washtenaw County Circuit Court Jan. 19, but the public defender's office won't be representing him. Court records indicate veteran Ann Arbor-based attorney David Goldstein was recently assigned to the case.

Records also show Nicholas was recently charged with being

a habitual offender as this was his fourth arrest.

Nicholas is accused of walking into the Chase Bank branch located at 2475 West Stadium Blvd. in Ann Arbor Oct. 12 and demanding money from a teller. Police said he took an undisclosed amount of cash and left the scene in a pick-up truck.

About two hours later, a Pittsfield Township police officer responded to calls about a man slumped over the wheel of a truck at the intersection of Crane Road and West Michigan Avenue. He recognized the vehicle from a regional police bulletin and arrested Nicholas without incident.

Reports said it was difficult for officers to wake Nicholas and that they found open alcoholic beverages in the vehicle.

Nicholas remains at the Washtenaw County Jail on \$25,000 bond.

Robbery 'victim' charged with filing false report

A Saline man who claimed he was robbed outside an apartment complex in September has been charged with filing a false police report.

Jacob Roy Adams was charged with single counts of falsely reporting a felony and making a false report to police last month, court records show.

The 18-year-old said he and a friend were robbed and assaulted outside apartments in the 200

block of Clark Street Sept. 17. Saline police arrested Michael Hatzilias, the alleged perpetrator, and later learned that Adams was involved in a botched drug-related heist.

Police reports state he planned to meet a contact at the apartment to purchase a half-pound of marijuana, which he planned to resell for more money. He brought a physically large 17-year-old friend from Lodi Township for protection, but Hatzilias sprayed the teen with a chemical agent before he grabbed Adams' money.

Saline Police Detective Don Lupi explained that Adams called 9-1-1 and then came to police headquarters to report the alleged crime, which prosecutors determined as two separate violations of the law. He was arrested two days after the incident, but was released while prosecutors reviewed the evidence.

Hatzilias, 19, was charged with unarmed robbery and assault with a dangerous weapon for using the pepper spray. He pleaded guilty to an added count of misdemeanor assault in October for discharging pepper spray, and prosecutors dropped the felony assault charge. They previously dismissed the unarmed robbery charge after investigators determined Adams was not a victim.

Court records indicate Hatzilias is scheduled to be sentenced in district court Jan. 26 and will be referred to the Holmes Youthful Trainee Act program.

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WEB VIEWS

This week's question

What does your New Year's resolution involve?

- A. Physical fitness
- B. Career
- C. Education
- D. Family

Do you really need to be on the roads in snow, ice?

It's officially winter driving season in Michigan.

So I'd like to offer a few ideas to those people who don't have to be on the roads in bad weather, as well as a few for those who have to be out in it.

First off, keep a close eye on the extended weather forecast. If there's snow predicted for tomorrow, get your milk and bread today. That way, if it's snowing when you wake up, you won't feel the need to leave your house, except, of course, to shovel the walkway.

If the roads are bad and you have a doctor's appointment, cancel it. You can make another one.

Really. For the winter months, stock your freezer with a loaf's worth of individual slices of frozen bread, and add several varieties of soup, crackers and other staples to your pantry. I promise, you can make it through one day, probably even two or three, foraging for meals without going to the grocery store.

And, if you find yourself low on milk — young children and women first. Someone in the family may have to eat something

other than cereal for one morning. All protesting aside, they'll survive.

Also, have a can of frozen orange juice in the freezer and other juice in the pantry.

I highly recommend a piece of toast — because you've already stocked your freezer with slices of bread. Add a little peanut butter or jam and, voila, instant breakfast.

I had it the other morning on a non-snow day.

The operative plan here is if you don't have to be on the roads. Stay home.

Leave the roads to those of us — reporters, tow truck drivers, public safety personnel and workers — who have to be on them.

I don't have the luxury of staying home. I wish I did.

In fact, the worse the weather, the more apt I am to be out driv-

ing in it.

Wet, dry, blizzard, rain, my job requires me to do a lot of driving from Sylvan Township to Ann Arbor and back.

Many times at night.

And for those of you who travel Jackson Road when the roads are slick, slow down and stay off my bumper.

Black ice is always a possibility. Feel free to pass me, anyway, because I'm good with that. Keep in mind, however, that car vs. tree, truck vs. telephone pole, SUV vs. guardrail, overturned mini-van in ditch — these scenarios rarely have a happy ending.

I know because I end up writing about them.

And if you're driving recklessly in a company vehicle with a name and phone number blazoned on the sides, believe me, I'm the sort of person who will call your boss to report it.

My absolute favorite is getting cut off or almost side-swiped by a truck with "How's my driving?" I'm a reporter, so I always have a pen and paper handy, and a cell phone for just such an occasion.

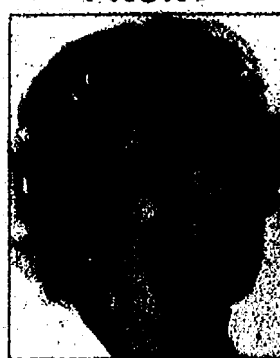
If you have a personalized plate or a vehicle with a ton of bumper stickers, you've already drawn attention to yourself while on the road. Do yourself a favor and be courteous on the roads. Recently, I was behind a great driver and bumper sticker heading home in the snow.

"If ignorance is bliss, why aren't more people happy?"

I think I would like this person.

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HOME FRONT



LISA ALLMENDINGER

OUR TAKE: Editorial Museum Adventure Pass draws patrons in tough economy

The Museum Adventure Pass was a great idea when it was launched in the region three years ago. For no more than the cost of a trip to a nearby library, Southeastern Michigan residents could obtain a pass to more than two dozen museums, including such regional attractions as the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle and Cranbrook's Art Museum and Institute of Science.

It's still a great idea and a great deal, even if it seems to have lost some of its luster. Unfortunately, The Detroit Institute of Arts has pulled out, citing too much lost revenue. And Cranbrook's Art Museum is also off the list, closed for renovations.

At the DIA, according to a news report, more than 49,000 people had come to the institute using passes over the last two years and so it lost nearly \$300,000 in revenue.

But is that figure really accurate? There's no guarantee that all of the 49,000 people would have attended the DIA without the pass. And how about the extra money brought in from people who may have accompanied those with passes but paid admission?

It looks like the DIA is letting greed get in the way of common sense. To bemoan this "lost revenue" is short-sighted and horribly narrow-minded.

These passes are a way to draw new people through the doors of such institutions — people who might never have known an art museum, a science institute or a historical center existed. And even if they did, there's no guarantee they would have attended without the pass.

A DIA spokeswoman acknowledged that was the case, but apparently that's not sufficient reason to remain in the program. Too bad — it's everyone's loss.

We'll concede the art institute's admission charges are reasonable: \$8 per adult, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for children and teens 6 through 17 and free for younger children.

Even without the DIA and the Cranbrook science institute, the pass is still a good deal.

With it, most of the attractions offer free admission for four, some for two, reduced admission at others.

Besides the Dossin Museum, attractions include the Detroit Historical and Children's Museums, Pewabic Pottery, Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Center, the Automotive Hall of Fame, the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, the Ford Rouge Factory Tour, and historical museums in several communities, including Grosse Pointe, Plymouth, Rochester and Troy.

We suppose there could be a charge for the Adventure Pass that would be split among the participating institutions. But that would defeat its purpose.

Besides, the passes are difficult to obtain — they're not available to everyone all of the time.

They succeed in attracting people to the various museums. Who knows how many pass users come back and pay the admission fees.

We realize the institutions may be running low on cash — almost everyone is in this economy. But they need to realize that as wonderfully educational as they are, they're not necessities for most people.

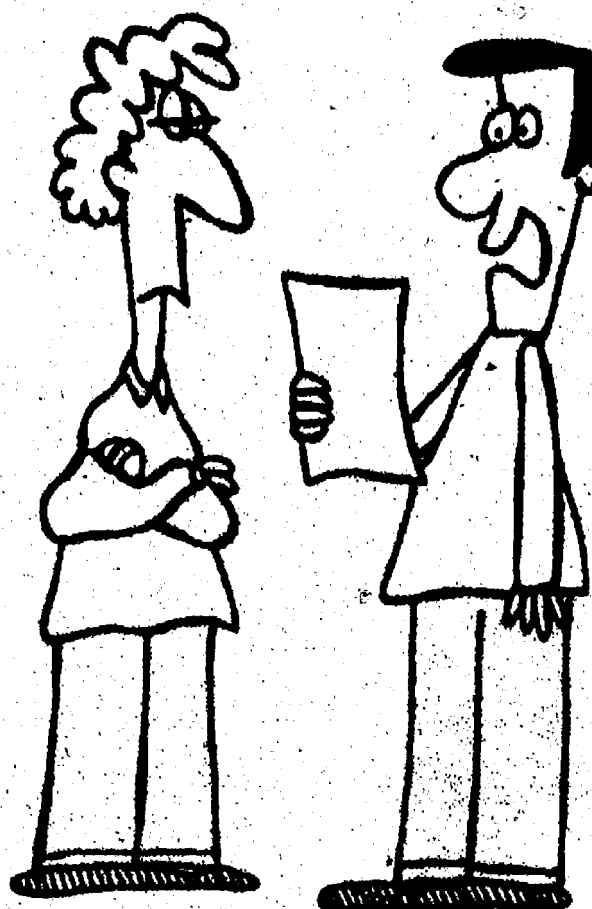
So when funds get tight, they may be among the first family expenditures cut.

Consequently, we hope they don't get too greedy — all that will do is chase visitors away.

Do these museums and institutes want that?

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"I'M JUST GONNA GO AHEAD AND USE THESE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS FROM LAST JANUARY."

Guest Column: Peter Hart

Is departure of 'Now,' Moyers' sign of change at PBS?

If you're like a lot of people, you probably think there are some good shows on your local public TV station. But two great shows, which often air together on Friday nights, stand apart: "Now" and "Bill Moyers Journal."

Come April, though, you won't have either one. If that sounds like bad news to you, there's something you can do about it.

In late November, word came that Moyers would step down from his program. At the same time, PBS announced that it would end "Now's" run, which started in 2002 with Moyers as host.

The two shows give viewers a glimpse of what PBS should offer throughout its schedule: hard-hitting, independent journalism and analysis. These shows have covered poverty,

war, media consolidation and so much more — not to mention serious discussions of taboo subjects, like the impeachment of President George W. Bush.

So what happened? PBS has offered very little in the way of explanation, saying only that it will announce some changes this month. Its official statement talked about the "review and reinvention of the news and public affairs genre on PBS," and noted that any changes are intended to help "revitalize public media in the context of today's rapidly changing communications environment." Whatever that means.

You might not be surprised to learn that the person at PBS who deals with viewer complaints, Michael Getler, has received many letters of protest. And from the sound of

it, he's got more questions than answers — he wrote that "one can easily understand how the combination of these two particular programs being taken off the air simultaneously could be seen, certainly by many dedicated viewers, as signaling a move away from hard-hitting, controversial programs."

Indeed. We know that there is always pressure of one sort or another in the public broadcasting world; right-wing complaints about PBS' phantom liberal bias, for instance, morphed into a campaign that saw the head of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting hire a researcher to document the "bias" on Moyers' "Now" program. Over the years, this sort of pressure has had the intended effect, pushing PBS to the right politically and ensuring that

public television offers a steady stream of uncontroversial, middle-of-the-road conventional wisdom.

Not coincidentally, that's exactly the kind of programming that big corporate underwriters are happy to support. "Washington Week," for example, offers audiences a panel of establishment journalists whose views already are well-circulated. It's underwritten by Boeing and the National Mining Association.

The flagship "NewsHour" newscast is brought to you by the likes of Chevron, Bank of America and Monsanto. Would those corporate giants come anywhere near a show that challenged their power?

Cynics might say that the news about "Now" and "Moyers Journal" is par for the course — that PBS can't be much better

than it is, squeezed by its corporate sponsors and Republicans in Congress who have constantly threatened to eliminate the remaining public subsidy.

The fact that these shows existed at all, then, is something of a minor miracle. But PBS is supposed to be guided by higher principles.

Its mission, as set forth by the Carnegie Commission in 1967, is to "provide a voice for groups in the community that may otherwise be unheard," to serve as "a forum for controversy and debate" and broadcast programs that "help us see America whole, in all its diversity."

FAIR, the media watchdog group I work for, has spent years documenting how PBS has failed to live up to those promises.

But these two shows gave

viewers precisely what PBS should offer every night of the week. What replaces those programs will be a test of PBS' commitment to the very foundations of public broadcasting itself.

So what's next, PBS? We're told to wait until early 2010 to find out what it has in store. In the meantime, though, let's send a message.

FAIR has launched a petition to PBS to demand that the shows that replace "Now" and the "Moyers Journal" provide the same kind of unflinching, uncompromised journalism viewers deserve — and that live up to the very mission of public broadcasting. Go to www.fair.org to add your voice.

Peter Hart is an analyst with the media watchdog group FAIR (Fairness & Accuracy in Reporting). Its Web site is www.fair.org.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Candidate hasn't been paying attention

After reading Republican congressional candidate Brian Rooney's recent column questioning U.S. Rep. Mark Schauer's commitment to our brave men and women in uniform, it's clear the Washtenaw County newcomer simply hasn't been paying attention.

Last year, Congressman Schauer voted to pass the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Aside from creating nearly 20,000 Michigan jobs in less than a year, the bill also created a \$2,400 tax credit for businesses that hire unemployed veterans, provided critical funding for new hospitals that serve military personnel and their families, and provided assistance to help military homeowners who may be forced to sell their homes at a loss because of orders to relocate.

Mr. Rooney states he's a veteran who honorably served our nation in the U.S. Marines. I would assume the above are provisions Mr. Rooney would support - but perhaps he was too busy trying to score cheap political points to actually read the bill he's criticizing.

I was quite surprised at Mr. Rooney's implication that President Obama or Congressman Schauer are remiss for fully evaluating the options in Afghanistan rather than blindly rush in and repeat the mistakes that others (most recently the Soviet Union) have made in Afghanistan.

Rushing in blindly and just

throwing more firepower has clearly been shown not to work. It certainly does not sound like the mindset of someone we'd want representing us in Congress.

Last January, President Obama and Congressman Schauer inherited an economic and fiscal mess of historic proportions. Our economy was in a free-fall, and the federal deficit was at an all-time high, thanks to the failed policies of President George W. Bush and Mr. Rooney's Republican primary opponent, Tim Walberg.

If Mr. Rooney had actually been living in Washtenaw County last year, he would know that Mark Schauer's entire campaign was focused on helping our businesses compete to create Michigan jobs. Since taking office, that's exactly what he's done.

In fact, just last month Congressman Schauer announced 15 new jobs coming to Dexter Research Center - right in Mr. Rooney's new

backyard - to develop technology that will protect our military personnel and facilities from terrorist attacks.

Perhaps instead of wasting his time trying to distort Mark Schauer's record of fighting for Michigan jobs and protecting our men and women in uniform, Brian Rooney should spend some getting to know the community he hopes to represent in Congress, and actually build a record to run on. Washtenaw County workers and businesses need results - not more empty rhetoric.

Phillip Zazove
Dexter

Movie screening set for Jan. 12.

The Hirsch Report, published in 2005 at the request of the U.S. Department of Energy warns, "The peaking of world oil production presents the United States and the world with an unprecedented risk management problem. As peak-

ing is approached, liquid fuel prices and price volatility will increase dramatically, and, without timely mitigation, the economic, social and political costs will be unprecedented. Viable mitigation options exist on both the supply and demand sides, but to have substantial impact, they must be initiated more than a decade in advance of peaking."

The lead author of the report was oil and energy expert Dr. Robert Hirsch.

Some forecasters project oil peaking globally within a decade; others contend it will occur later. But what isn't disputed is that it will happen, and we need to acknowledge the fact and begin dealing with it.

Transition Town Chelsea is working to present information on the issues facing all of us in the near future, such as peak oil and climate change. Towards that effort, we will be showing the award-winning documentary, "Crude Awakening: the oil

crash" at 7 p.m. Jan. 12 at the Chelsea Depot.

We invite the community to view the movie, discuss it and begin the process together of mapping a plan for making Chelsea resilient to coming changes.

If you have questions about Transition Town Chelsea or the movie, contact Cathy Muha at 475-9805.

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Local writers enter contest

Mackinac Island Press to publish contest winner

By Jana Miller
Heritage Newspapers

Who knew Southeastern Michigan had so many unrealized children's authors? The Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association had a hunch when it started a writing contest.

"MEMSPA started this contest because we believed there are talented children's writers out there who haven't had the opportunity or the break necessary to get their children's book published," Executive Director Robert Howe said in a press release. "Since reading is essential to the children of the MEMSPA members we serve, we believed that the MEMSPA Book Award was a wonderful initiative."

The end result was a partnership between MEMSPA and Mackinac Island Press, which agreed to publish the winning authors. The winning chapter and picture book authors were to receive a publishing contract and to have their books published with the MEMSPA Book Award winner seal affixed to the cover.

Several local individuals were in the running as finalists in this competition. One Michigan resident made the top 10 in the chapter books category. Another five were named finalists for their picture book submissions.

Local finalists included residents of Belleville, Ann Arbor, Chelsea, Milan and Saline. Although none of them won the final prize, they all still completed a marketable children's book for potential publishers.

Valerie Scho Carey of Ann Arbor had two marketable pieces to work with. She had two picture books — "The Ghost of Gizzle-Gum-Gee" and "Wiggle, Jiggle, Crick, Crack, Pop" — selected for the top 25 list of finalists. Scho said she wasn't surprised by the number of writers to come out of the

area. "I've taught creative writing for people interested in writing for children," she said. "They come from all kinds of careers and backgrounds, including people in college, retired, young and old."

She has already published five children's books prior to this contest, including "Harriet and William and the Terrible Creature," "The Devil and Mother Crump," "Quail Song," "Tsugele's Broom," and "Maggie Mab and the Bogey Best." She is a local writer and editor, and she also is a substitute teacher.

In fact, teachers trying their hand at writing were a fairly common characteristic for local applicants. Marquín T. Parks of Belleville is a teacher at New Beginnings Academy in Ypsilanti. He was the only finalist in Southeastern Michigan in the chapter books category for his book "Wrinkles Wallace: Knights of Night School."

He was born and raised in Ann Arbor and graduated from Pioneer High School. He is in his sixth year teaching fifth-graders and this was his first attempt at a full-length children's book.

His book is about a 28-year-old man who finds out he has failed fifth grade and has to go back to school. He finds himself in a class with various other adults under the instruction of a 10-year-old teacher. It is a role reversal adventure that brings the characters together while the young teach the old.

"I started with an idea, but didn't know the ending," Parks said. "I would read to my students periodically as I was working on it and they gave me feedback. When you have your target audience right there, it's great. You get to see the laughter and shock and surprise."

"The best part was seeing the students take to it. My favorite moment was seeing a boy that has a tough time finding books he likes reading my own and enjoying it."

Parks said he took the contest one step further by encouraging his students to experiment, as



Photo courtesy of Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association
Marquín T. Parks attended the MEMSPA Book Award banquet at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa recently. He was one of 10 finalists in the children's chapter books contest.

well. They began writing stories in their journals and getting excited about reading.

Parks has plans for his book to become a longer series and is still looking for the right publisher.


Like the other finalists, Parks attended an award dinner in Traverse City in December.

"They were really nice people," Parks said of MEMSPA. "They took an interest in me as a finalist, and even though I didn't win, it was nice to be there."

Other local finalists included Melody E. Gower of Chelsea for "Going Buggy," Kendra Arnold of Milan for "Cumulus the Cloud," and "Where is Pat?" by Mike Kiple of Saline.

The winner of the chapter book competition was Brad Gallagher of Chesterfield for "The Buglu Drawer."

The winner of the picture book competition was Colleen Murray Fisher of White Lake for "Miss Martin in a Martian." Staff Writer Jana Miller can be reached at 429-7380 or jmillier@heritage.com.



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Head Coach Charles E. Ramsey's men's team will have two home games while Head Coach AnnMarie Gilbert's women's club will host three games, including the 2009-10 Mid-American Conference season opener.

The men's basketball team is set to host Northwood University, Wednesday, Dec. 30, followed by a second non-conference game against Chicago State, Sunday, Jan. 3.

The women's squad will host Cleveland State Tuesday, Dec. 29, followed by a Monday, Jan. 4, home game against North Dakota before opening the MAC season Wednesday, Jan. 6, in the Convocation Center against Central Michigan.

In addition to the men's and women's basketball programs, the men's and women's indoor track teams will open their 2010 seasons Saturday, Jan. 9, at the EMU Open in Bowen Field House.

Following is a breakdown of home EMU athletic events from Dec. 29-Jan. 9.

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Jan. 4	W. BASKETBALL HOME, NORTH DAKOTA	7 p.m.
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MEDLOCK, DOBBINS, BOWDRY CLIMB EMU CAREER LAD-

DER: The EMU men's basketball trio of Carlos Medlock (Detroit, Mich.-Murray Wright), Justin Dobbins (Cleveland, Ohio-Glennville), and Brandon Bowdry (St. Louis, Mo.-Taylor (Mich.) Truman) are all making major moves up the EMU career rankings in scoring, rebounding and three-point shooting. Medlock is now 21st in career scoring with 1,167 points while Bowdry has moved up to 33rd with 936 and Dobbins is 38th at 847. Bowdry has 512 career rebounds for 21st while Dobbins is 36th in rebounding with 424 and Medlock is 70th at 247. Medlock is the sixth ranked three-point shooter with 158 career triples and is 10th in career assists at 325. Medlock is the 12th player in school history to reach 300 career assists while Bowdry is the 22nd player to grab 500+ career rebounds.

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Make Faith in Action your 2010 resolution

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

New Year's resolutions are a punchline for a number of reasons.

Goals like quitting smoking or losing weight should be undertaken immediately and not put off until an arbitrary point on a calendar. It just seems like an excuse to put difficult endeavors off during the rest of the year, and then when you fail it's no big deal because everyone else is getting on the bandwagon and then falling off right on cue (February).

Cynical, huh?

I'd like to challenge our readers to take up a less selfish and much more attainable New Year's resolution (even though it's now Jan. 7 - as I said, it's just an arbitrary square on the calendar).

Get behind Faith in Action, which has a presence in both Chelsea and Dexter. This organization is doing great work in these communities, and despite the relatively affluent demography of these communities, there are many people leaning on groups like FIA to make those ends meet.

Many of you already know what FIA does, but for those of you who don't, here are some of the vital services they provide for those in need:

- Emergency food to last three to five days.
- Opportunities to shop for clothing at no cost up to 12 times each year.
- Support to keep qualifying families in their homes.
- Utility shut-off prevention.
- Home heating support for those who have received shut-off notice.
- Free medical care for the uninsured at the Chelsea Grace Clinic.

Single households with an income of \$20,036 or less (add \$6,919 per occupant) qualify for FIA assistance, which is the same as the income guidelines to qualify children for free or reduced school lunch.

Honestly, writing this column has taught me a few things about FIA. I wasn't aware or perhaps had forgotten that they offered assistance for those seeking work, which more of us are needing with each passing day.

So now that we all know what FIA does, how can we help? There's the easy way out if you're not good at keeping resolutions. Donate some food, sidewalk salt or any of a number of other items that FIA needs (folding ladders, garbage bags, masking tape, copy paper, shovels and even cars in working condition). Or even commit to donating a certain number of food items per week or month. If someone set out to do the latter and came back to me next December, that'd be one hell of a feature story in my opinion.

Resolution pro's could take the next step and donate their time.

A great deal of labor goes into what FIA gives back to the needy families in the area - even the food that's provided. Some of that comes from donated land at Timbertown on Sibley Road in Chelsea, where the Chelsea Community Gardeners toil in the dirt to grow organic food, which they share with FIA so those in need

can have a more diverse diet than just canned and boxed non-perishables.


Gardeners aside, FIA needs 60 volunteers each week to drive the effort to help Chelsea and Dexter's needy.

From what I hear, some of FIA's volunteers have suffered hardships of their own in the form of health problems that have made it difficult to consistently have a physical presence in the ongoing effort to help their friends and neighbors. Two volunteers - Rose Harook and Mary Kay Weber - passed away.


Whether it's working in the clothing room or volunteering as a physician or dentist at the Grace Clinic, there's a way to get involved for just about anybody.

While I'm cynical about the idea of New Year's resolutions, I'm not cynical about the Dexter and Chelsea communities' drive to get behind a community-bolstering effort like the one driven by FIA.

If you are on the fence about giving back through community service, I hope this column pushes you over the edge. If you weren't thinking about it beforehand, maybe it's something that you should think about for a little while.



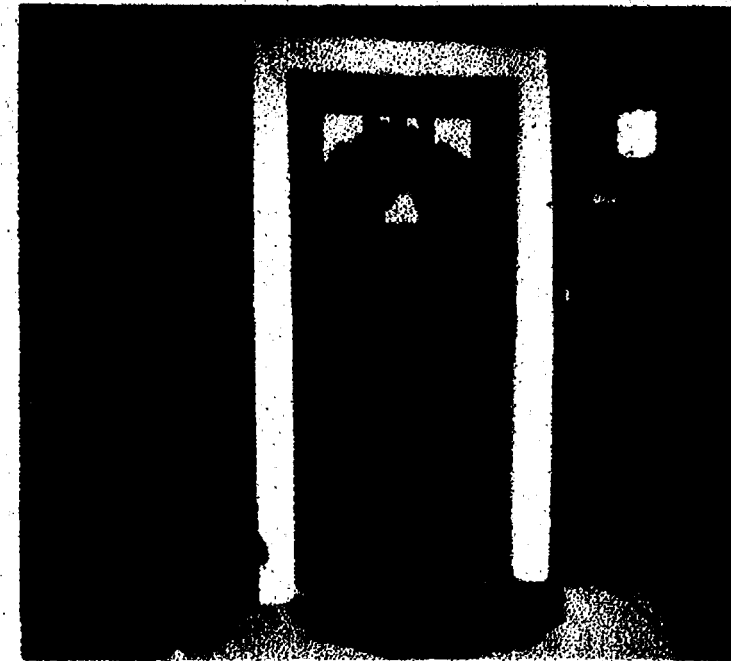
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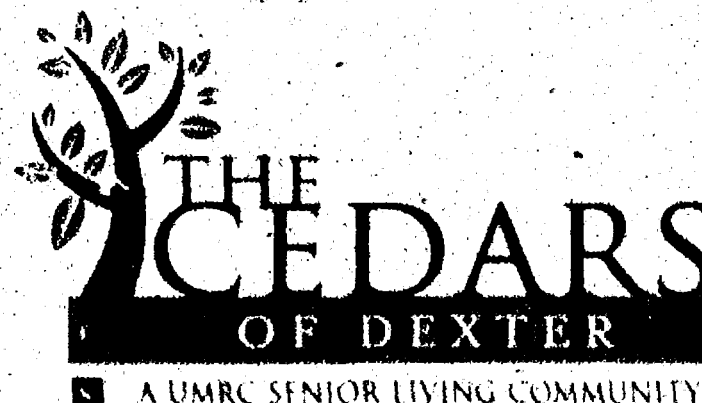
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Take the kids with you

Children should never be left unattended in motor vehicles, even for a minute. Unsupervised children may present an abduction risk and can be injured or die from extreme temperatures. In cold weather, hypothermia and exposure to carbon monoxide poisoning in an idling vehicle's cabin can be lethal to children. On average, about 36 children die each year nationwide after being left unattended in a vehicle.

Make sure you have a clear view

During winter months, with snow, ice and road salt all working against driver visibility, it is imperative for vehicles to have functioning windshield wiper blades and enough window-washer fluid, perhaps a kind that contains an anti-freezing agent. Windows and mirrors always should be scraped off or defrosted to allow adequate visibility before the vehicle is put in gear.

Know how to steer out of a skid

If your vehicle begins to skid, remain calm and do the following: 1. Take your foot off the accelerator. 2. Turn the front wheels only enough to keep them pointed in the direction you want to go and no farther. 3. Be prepared for a secondary skid in the opposite direction. 4. Again, turn the wheels in the direction you want to go. 5. Then straighten the wheels to bring the vehicle under control.

Keep your cool

Watch out for aggressive drivers. These drivers run stop signs and red lights, speed, tailgate, weave their vehicles in and out of traffic, pass on the right, and may make improper hand gestures. They sometimes yell at you, honk their horns, or flash their headlights. Essentially, they disregard their own safety and that of others. Report them to police if they are endangering you or others, but don't return their aggressiveness. Always remember that safe driving is affected by your driving attitude and your ability to control your stress and anger.

Neutralize a stuck accelerator

If your accelerator should ever fail and the pedal remain stuck in the down position, shift the vehicle's gears to "neutral." The engine may race, but no harm will be done. At the same time, search for an escape path, steering smoothly and braking gently. Pull off the roadway and turn off the vehicle. Have the pedal repaired at a service center before driving it again.

Help curb unlicensed drivers

By law, all motorists must have a valid driver's license to drive on Michigan's public roads. According to the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, unlicensed drivers are nearly five times more likely to be in a fatal crash than validly licensed drivers are. If you know someone who is driving without a valid license, for their sake and the sake of others on the road, convince them to stop doing so.

Watch up ahead for hazards

A defensive driver anticipates problems ahead and is prepared to react in time. Look ahead of your vehicle about 12 seconds of travel time down the road. Anticipate traffic, pedestrians, people entering and exiting parked vehicles and potentially hazardous situations well in advance. Pay careful attention to merging vehicles and vehicles near driveways and intersections.

Never hit and run

Drivers involved in an accident are required by law to render reasonable assistance in securing medical aid to any injured individual. Leaving the scene of an accident can result in criminal charges, years of imprisonment and thousands of dollars in fines. More importantly, it can make the difference as to whether an accident victim lives or dies.

Don't drive yourself to distraction

Always give priority to the task of driving. A momentary distraction can lead to a crash. Even seemingly simple tasks such as tuning a radio can be risky, especially in bad weather or heavy traffic. In the estimated quarter of a second it takes the brain to shift attention between two tasks, a car going 65 mph covers 24 feet. Keep your hands on the wheel and your eyes on the road.

Remember: It takes time to sober up

Each year, thousands of people are killed or permanently disabled because someone drove under the influence of alcohol. If you think coffee, a cold shower, exercise or fresh air can sober you up enough to drive safely after you have been drinking, you are making a potentially deadly mistake. The only thing that sobers you up is time.

Seat kids properly

Children under the age of four must be in approved safety seats, wherever they are seated. Never hold a child on your lap or buckle a child with another passenger into one safety belt. Approved safety seats are available at low or no cost at many community agencies such as local public health departments. Avoid buying secondhand seats as they may not meet federal safety standards, may not work properly, or may have missing parts or instructions.

Factor in the sun

Crashes at intersections result in more traffic fatalities and serious injuries than on any other segment of the road. Use extra caution when entering an intersection at sunrise or sunset, as other drivers may have difficulty seeing you.

Park safely on hills

Never take the chance that your vehicle could become a runaway force that could kill or injure someone. To park on a hill, turn the tires so that if the unattended vehicle starts to roll, it moves to the curb. Always use the parking brake. You cannot expect the transmission to hold your vehicle on a hill.

Give the gift of life

If a simple act today could potentially save or improve the lives of up to 50 people someday, would you do it? During National Donate Life Month in April, consider signing up on the Michigan Organ Donor Registry online at www.michigan.gov/sos or at any Secretary of State branch office. There is no greater gift you can give than the gift of life.

Jog against the grain

Be alert for joggers who may be running along roadways. Joggers should wear reflective clothing, use sidewalks or roadway shoulders, and avoid jogging at night, dawn, dusk or during bad weather. Joggers, like other pedestrians, should be on the side of the road facing oncoming traffic.



Death Notices

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TISON, EARL J., of Saline, formerly of Ann Arbor, Chelsea; age 89; went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 27, 2009. He was born September 19, 1920 in Jackson, Michigan, the son of Earl Albert and Lillie Rachel (Swezy) Tison. On November 16, 1946, in Venice, CA, Earl married Elizabeth (Betty) Ellen Ritchey of Houston, TX and she survives. Earl was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Jackson for over 50 years. He was a W.W. II Army Veteran, owned Tison Auto Sales in Chelsea, and retired from Chrysler Proving Grounds in 1979 after 28 years. Always keeping active, he worked for eight more years into retirement at Neumann Eye Institute in Deland, FL. Earl enjoyed riding motorcycles, playing guitar and traveling the states with his wife Betty in their motor home after retirement. Earl was always quick with a joke or funny story and loved making people laugh. He had a special way with people and developed many unique and lasting friendships throughout his lifetime. Earl was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather and will be dearly missed by his family and many friends. Other survivors include a sister, Irene Pantei (Edmond); a son, Terry Earl (Grace) Tison of Ann Arbor; three daughters, Sandra Diane Rubert of Jackson, Jo Ellen Tison (George) Chizmar of Ann Arbor, Nancy Tison (John) Aulisa of Saline; 9 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren. A Memorial Service will be held Sunday, January 10, 2010 2 p.m. at Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea, with a visitation from 1 p.m. until the time of the service. Pastor Leo E. Cummings of Bethel Baptist Church will officiate. A Private Burial will be at Oak Grove East Cemetery in Chelsea. Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled Veterans.

MODZELEWSKI, FELIX, age 92; Belleville, MI; died January 4, 2010 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. He retired from Ford Motor Company, Monroe after 25 years of service. He loved to farm and ran Moe's Produce Stand on Sumpter Road for many years. Felix is survived by his wife of 68 years, Lottie V. (Tupacz) Modzelewska; two daughters, Phyllis Johnson of Belleville and Janet (Jim) Dargo of Kalkaska, MI; four grandchildren Eric (Mary) Johnson, Tricia (Tom) Sllak Johnson, Jonathan (Christy) Dargo and Jason Dargo; also six great grandchildren Matthew, Michael, Katarina, Christine, Zachariah and Abigail. Visitation 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday with a 7 p.m. Scripture Service at DAVID C. BROWN FUNERAL HOME, Belleville. Funeral Mass 11 a.m. Friday, January 8, 2010 at St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville. Interment Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Memorials to the family www.davidcbrownfh.com



CASTER, KLUMPP, LORENA AMANDA, Friday, died on December 27, 2009, at the age of 101 at home in Cape May, NJ. She was born May 8, 1908 in Saline, Michigan. Lorena was the daughter of Adam Klumpp and Christine Bauer Klumpp of Saline. Lorena graduated from Saline High School, Cleary College, and Michigan State Normal College, now Eastern University, where she was affiliated with Alpha chapter of Delta Phi sorority and Commercial Teachers Club. After graduation she taught at Dundee High School and then worked at Farmers and Mechanics Bank (now National City Bank) in Ann Arbor. On May 25, 1935, Lorena married John Hadley (Jack) Caster, who preceded her in death on March 7, 1971. Lorena was a homemaker and mother for many years. She was a charter member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Redeemer began as a mission congregation in 1943 at the Caster home on the corner of Packard Street and East University Avenue. Lorena was a member of their Mary Martha Guild and its first president. For many years Lorena was employed at what is now National City Bank (then Ann Arbor Bank) where she retired in 1973. She was also a charter member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Wives Club. In December 1975 Lorena married Ivan Leroy Friday who preceded her in death 11 September 1982. Ivan had been a lifelong colleague, friend, and neighbor. After living in Michigan for 82 years, in March 1990 Lorena sold her home on Shadford Road to split her time between her families in Washington and Virginia (later in New Jersey). In Everett Washington, Lorena was a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, the Martha Circle, and Lutheran World Relief Quilters. While staying with her family in New Jersey, Lorena became a member of Cape May Lutheran Church. Survivors include two daughters, Mary Sue Kriefall of Whidbey Island, WA and Christine (Robert) Hunter of Cape May, NJ; five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren, Paula and Mark Mantei live in Snohomish, WA with their daughters, Sarah, Rebecca, and Hannah. Rachel O'Brien lives in Seattle, WA with her children, Gavin and Devony. Adam and Ingvil Kriefall live in Seattle, WA with their children, Delaney and Carter. Brent and Michelle Hunter live in Chesapeake, VA with their children, Matthew and Mackenzie. Bryan Hunter lives in Cape May, NJ. Memorial Services will be held in the Cape May Lutheran Church in New Jersey and Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Washington. A Graveside Gathering will be held at 12 Noon in Lodi Plains Cemetery, Ann Arbor. Sudak-Danaher, F.H., Cape May, NJ and Nie F.H., Ann Arbor.

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HOWES, RUBY, 91, of Ormond Beach, passed away on Sunday, December 27, 2009. A Memorial Service will be held Wednesday, December 30th, at Lohman Funeral Home Ormond, 733 W. Granada Blvd. The family will receive guests from 4 p.m. until the time of service at 5 p.m. Mrs. Howes was born May 17, 1918 in Pontiac, Michigan to George and Gertrude Elkins. Mrs. Howes graduated from Pontiac (Michigan) High School. She and her late husband, Wesley, moved to the area in 1968 from Chelsea, Michigan. She worked at Halifax Medical Center from 1968-1978 as Supervisor of Human Resources. Mrs. Howes was a long time member of First Presbyterian Church of Daytona Beach. Survivors include her daughter Becky Hudson, grandson Sean Murray, and son-in-law Kevin H. Hudson, all of Ormond Beach, Florida; sister Laura Harman and nephew Joe Harman, both of Auburn Hills, Michigan. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to Halifax Health Hospice of Volusia/Flagler, 3800 Woodbriar Trail, Port Orange, Florida 32129. Friends may send condolences to www.lohmanfuneralhomes.com. Arrangements are under the careful supervision of Lohman Funeral Home Ormond.

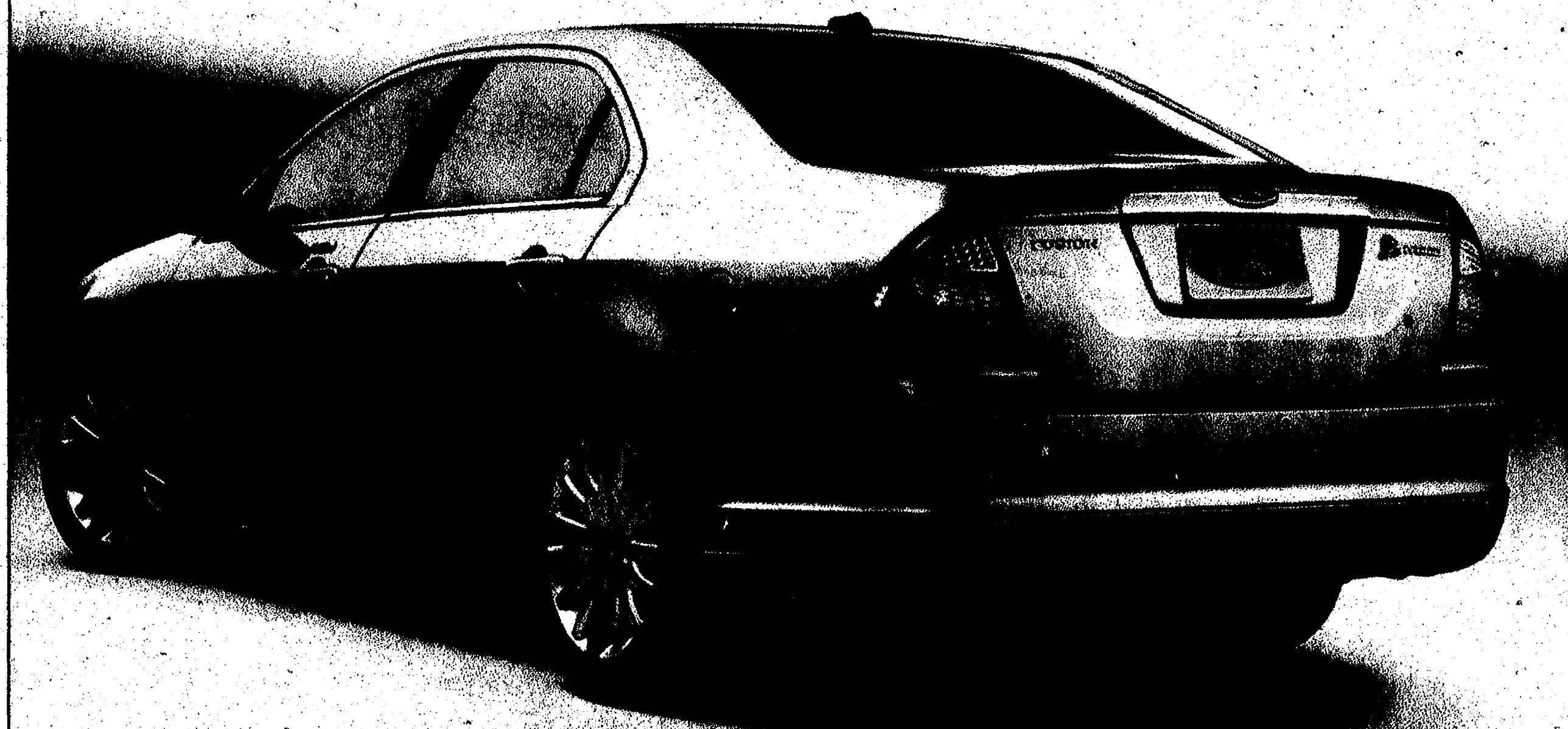
LEASE, HELEN E., Chelsea, MI; age 84; passed away on Friday, December 25, 2009 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. She was born on August 23, 1925 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Reverend John L. Ernst and Lydia H. (Grossman) Ernst. She studied at Elmhurst College and received a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan in early elementary education. On June 10, 1950, Helen married Glenn O. Lease, who died in 2001. They are survived by four children, Glenn O. Lease II, Patricia Lease (Pete Souza), Elizabeth (Francis) Wirtz, Elizabeth (Dennis) Hill; and five grandchildren, Callie and Alexander Plafkin, Alison Wirtz, Steven and Andrew Hill. She is also survived by two sisters, Dorothea Boldt and Ruth Balch. A Memorial Service was held at the Nie Family Funeral Home, Liberty Road Chapel, 3787 W. Liberty Rd., Ann Arbor, MI on Sunday, January 3, 2010 at 2 p.m. with the Reverend Kathy Schell officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, 2010 Hugback Rd., Ste 4, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 or the charity of one's choice. Please visit Helen's personal webpage at www.niefuneralhomes.com to leave a memory.

BIRCH, RUDOLPH V. (Rudy), Ann Arbor, MI; age 81; passed away on Friday, January 1, 2010, at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan. He was born July 6, 1928 in Okmulgee, Oklahoma and spent all of his life in Michigan. He was employed for 38 years at Ford Motor Co., Rouge Plant. Following his retirement in 1967, he spent 18 winters in Florida with his wife Doris. They were married on August 6, 1976 and she survives him. He is also survived by a son, Walter; and daughters, Henrietta Thomas, Lynette Antwi and Linda Birch; and several grandchildren including Yusuf Anderson and Walter Williams; and special caretakers and friends, Diane Bush and Marc Herceg. Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, January 5, 2010. Burial followed in Marble Park Cemetery in Milan, MI.

GRABAN, MARCELLA J., Saline, MI; age 83; passed away on Saturday, January 2, 2010, at her home. She was born May 26, 1926 in Lucas County, Ohio, the daughter of Ellwood and Ethel I. (McNutt) Owen. She had been a Saline resident since 1930. On July 21, 1962 she married Theodore S. Graban and he preceded her in death on September 7, 1990. Marcella was in Real Estate for 25 years and was the first female Broker in Washtenaw County. She was a member of COK Young at Heart, Saline American Legion Auxiliary Unit 322, the 8 & 40 Saloon #501, past member of Michigan POA Club, holding various offices in all. She enjoyed playing cards, bridge and hunko with family and friends. She is survived by 4 sons, Theodore C. (Greta) Graban, Lawrence E. Graban, William (Joan) Brackney and Bradford O. Brackney; 2 daughters, Gloria Bryson and Melissa (Jeffrey) Seitz; 21 grandchildren; many great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and two sisters, Myrna and Ramona. Visitation will be Monday, January 4, 2009 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home, Saline and on Tuesday, January 5, 2009 from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. at Christ Our King Lutheran Church in Saline, with Pastor Thomas Schroeder, officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Saline. Memorial contributions may be made to the church and envelopes will be available at the funeral home and the church. Friends may leave condolences and sign the guest-book at www.cbffsaline.com and www.milve.com.

SCHAFFNER, JON D., 69, of Pettitsville, OH; passed away Thursday evening, December 24, 2009, at Toledo Hospital. He was born on November 18, 1940, in Gorham Township, Ohio to the late Gaylord and Helen (Rollins) Schaffner. Jon married Barb Colegrove on June 8, 1994, in Pettitsville, and she survives. Jon was a 1958 graduate of Gorham Fayette High School, and later went on to earn a Bachelor's in Science at Morehead State College, a Masters in Education from Michigan State University, and a Specialist's Degree from Eastern Michigan. He spent his career as an educator and athletic coach for 35 years. Jon enjoyed playing cards at the VFW, liked to farm and golf, and was an avid Ohio State Buckeye and Detroit Tigers fan. Surviving Jon besides his wife, Barb, are one son, Eric Schaffner of Aliso Viejo, CA; one daughter, Jill (James) Whaley of Cranbury, NJ; four step-children; two brothers, Alan (Ginny) Schaffner and Gayle (Diane) Schaffner all of Fayette; two sisters, Sharon (Mick) Hartsell of Wauseon, OH, and Janet Sue (David) Sheely of Hudson, MI; four grandchildren; ten step-grandchildren; and six step-great grandchildren. A Funeral Service for Jon Schaffner was on Monday, December 28, 2009, at 11 a.m. at the Eagle Funeral Home-Barrett Chapel in Fayette with Rev. Kathy Currier officiating. Interment followed at Pleasant View Union Cemetery in Fayette. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial donations to the American Heart Association. Family and friends can view Jon's obituary and send condolences to his family online at www.eaglefuneralhomes.com

Fantastic fuel economy



Fuel economy makes new Fusion a 'must drive'

By Bryan Laviolette
Journal Register Newspapers

There's a TV ad for the 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid where the instrument panel shows the average fuel economy at 29.5 mpg. I'm not sure why an automaker would show that number for a car the EPA says gets 41 mpg city and 36 on the highway. What did it take to get the average fuel economy that low? During the week I spent with the Fusion Hybrid, I never saw my average dip below 36.9 mpg.

The point is the Fusion Hybrid's fuel mileage is outstanding. This is a mid-size car with a good-size back seat. Compare its mileage to a similar-size Toyota Camry Hybrid, which is rated at 33/34. Yep, and you thought Toyota was the king of hybrids.

The Fusion uses a massaged version of Ford's hybrid system, first seen in the Escape Hybrid in 2005. While I was unimpressed with that truck's mileage — 29 in mostly suburban and freeway driving — the version in the Fusion is better.

Part of that has to do with the vehicle. A sedan, without the expectations for towing or hauling gear, seems like a better choice for a hybrid powertrain.

One of the keys to any hybrid's success is how much time the gas engine can be turned off. In that respect, the Fusion pushes the envelope. While many hybrids cannot go more than 30 mph without their gas engines turning, the Fusion can maintain up to about 47 mph with the gas engine off.

That's not to say that every time you push down on the accelerator, the Fusion's engine won't start until you hit that speed. But by carefully feathering the throttle, I was able to get up to 35 before the engine kicked in. At some points while cruising at 45 mph or so, the engine will stop and the instrument panel will tell you that you're in electric vehicle mode.

In many ways, this way of driving is a new performance paradigm. It becomes fun trying to see how often you can get the system to leave the gas engine off and how you can get that average fuel economy number to grow. But unless you keep the throttle to the floor most of the time, you're likely to get better than 29.5 shown in

the commercial.

Ford makes saving fuel fun with cool graphics, including several options for viewing what the system's doing as well as a cluster of leaves which grows as if aided by electronic Miracle Grb if you drive efficiently.

This level of improvement in hybrid and electric vehicle systems will soon become the norm. The Fusion is just one step on the road toward bridging the gap between the current range of hybrids and the coming extended-range electrics like the Chevrolet Volt.

In practice, the hybrid system is virtually seamless. Occasionally, you can feel the engine start, but it's hardly obtrusive. Because the Fusion Hybrid uses a continuously variable transmission (CVT), there are no shifts.

But the biggest area of improvement is in the brakes. All hybrids use regenerative braking to charge the drive battery. In the past, drivers complained about their nonlinear feeling and grabbiness. But engineers have dramatically improved the system and the Fusion Hybrid shows it with a much-improved brake feel. It's entirely possible to creep up to a traffic light and feather the brake without a lurch as the car comes to a complete stop. That wasn't always the case with earlier hybrids.

My only wish is Ford gave the car a button for economy mode. There are times that I'd like to operate on pure battery power, such as when looking for a parking spot or just cruising through the neighborhood. It's possible to do that now, but the engine can start too easily. On the other hand, an economy mode would add complexity and possibly confusion for drivers.

The Fusion is powered by a 156-hp, 2.5-liter 4-cylinder along with a 106-hp electric motor. Ford's also improved the relationship between the CVT and the engine. In the past, CVTs led to an annoying drone that made drivers long for a regular geared transmission. But this CVT doesn't stay at a constant level of rpms, which seems to eliminate the objectionable sound.

The performance is also a bit of a surprise. While it won't keep up with performance-oriented cars, the Fusion Hybrid isn't the slug many would expect as the price for such



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great fuel economy.

There are a couple negatives regarding the car. First, sharp bumps are felt more than would be expected. The culprits are low-rolling resistance tires that help squeeze out a bit more mileage.

Also, the drive battery reduces trunk capacity from 16.5 cubic feet to 11.8. The battery's location against the rear seat-back also means that the rear seats don't fold. There isn't even a ski pass through in the center armrest.

Fusion Hybrids start at \$27,995 including destination. The test car came with a \$3,945 option group including navigation, blind spot and cross-traffic alert, power moonroof, backup camera, Sony 12-speaker stereo and heated leather front seats, pushing the as-tested price to \$31,940.

For comparison, a comparable Fusion SEL 4-cylinder starts at \$25,055, so the hybrid system adds about \$3,000 to the price of a Fusion. Compare it to a SEL V-6 starting at \$26,665 and it starts to look even better.

ing voice-recognition system. Sync allows control of mp3 players and cellphones and in many Ford vehicles, including the test car. Sync can control everything from the navigation system to the climate control. It's simply the best and most useful voice-recognition system from any automaker available today.

Besides the hybrid-specific elements, this is basically a standard-issue Fusion, which means that the car is comfortable for four, five if one them is shorter and doesn't mind the hump. The controls are well placed and easy to use.

The seats are comfortable, but some members of my family often complain about the forward-canted headrests in most Fords these days. While they're not an issue for me, my father-in-law decided against buying a Ford F-150 mostly because of the headrests. The rear seat has decent legroom, although headroom is somewhat limited.

I've always found the Fusion's styling to be rather generic, but then again, this is a mid-size sedan, where most automakers aim for safe designs. The Fusion, which was mildly upgraded for 2010, is at least a little better than its predecessors. The new nose features more angles and chrome, adding new visual interest.

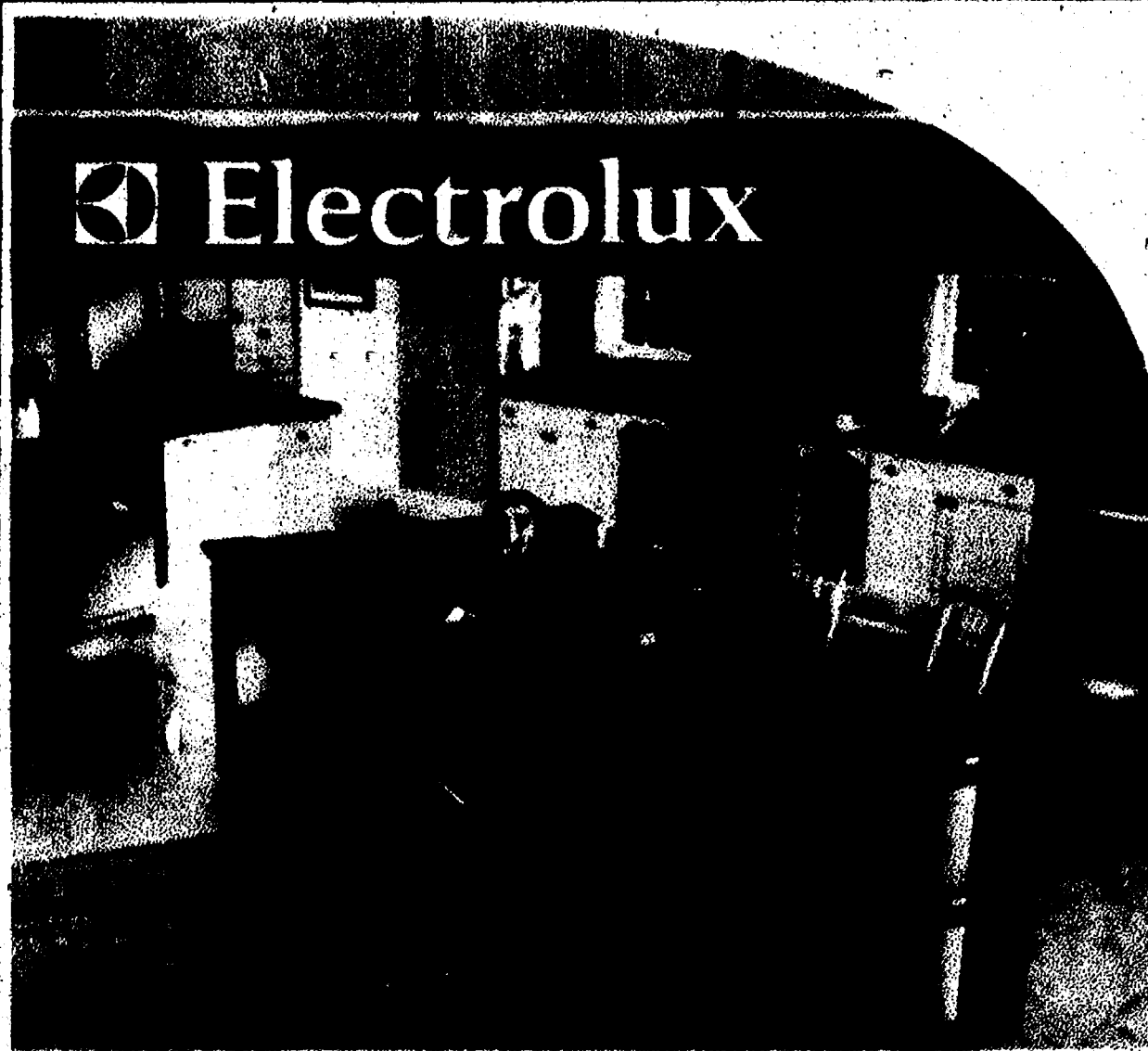
Maybe Ford should have its ad agency redo that commercial with a more realistic fuel economy number showing in the display; it should be higher.

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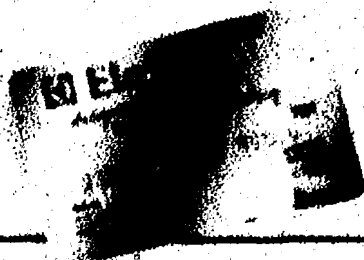
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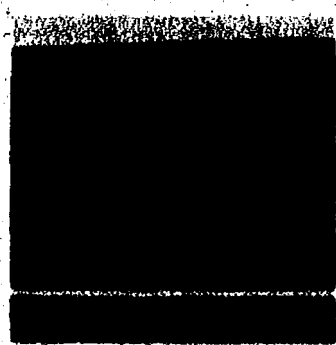
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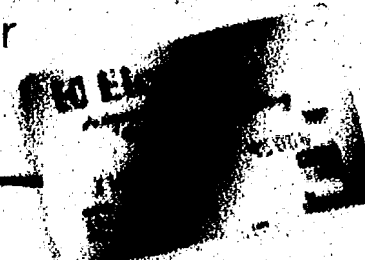
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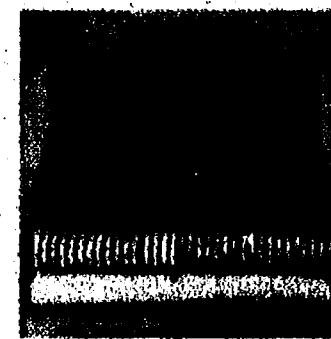


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Purple Rose awarded performace grant

The Purple Rose Theatre Company was recently awarded a grant of \$17,000 from the Chelsea Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, to continue its partnership with the Chelsea District Library in developing new plays for the American theatre.

"The chance to develop new plays with new and veteran playwrights is essential to the survival of a theatre whose mission is to develop and produce

new work for the stage," said Guy Sanville, artistic director for the Purple Rose Theatre Company. "When we started working with the library, we absolutely upgraded our efforts in this critical area. The library folks are creative, enthusiastic, passionate people, who care about our community and their place in it."

"They are very good at what they do. We are very grateful for the opportunity to continue and grow our partnership."

Beginning now through June,

the Purple Rose will host eight, three-day workshops called "greenhouses."

Each greenhouse will focus on a new play, written by Purple Rose resident artists and other established and emerging artists.

The greenhouses will include table readings of the script and discussions about story, characters and structure, from which writers will experiment with editing.

Each greenhouse will culminate with a concert-style

reading held at the Chelsea District Library. These readings will be free and open to the public. Each concert reading will be followed by a talkback session, where audience members can express their opinions and raise questions about the script.

The talkback sessions will provide the playwright, director and actors with feedback from the audience, while giving the audience a glimpse into the creative process that helps refine plays before they head to the

stage.

Three public lectures will be held at the library over the course of the year focusing on a specific theme. A question-and-answer session with the audience will follow each lecture.

The final component of the project is a series of three playwright workshops for high school students. Students will receive eight hours of intensive instruction by a professional playwright. Workshops will

include lectures on dramatic structure, various writing and storytelling exercises, readings and critiques of the students' work. Students will leave the workshop with their own completed 10-minute play.

The culmination of the workshops will include a public reading of all of the plays at the library, performed by a cast of professional actors.

For more information, visit www.purplerosetheatre.org.

Road crew works to refurbish bridge

The Washtenaw County Road Commission anticipates construction to start on the Dexter-Pinkney Road Bridge in late February or early March and conclude in late August.

The existing single span non-redundant concrete through-girder bridge will be replaced with a side-by-side post-tensioned concrete box beam bridge. The channel width will not be increased, since the existing bridge abutments will be left in place.

The vertical clearance under the bridge will be increased by approximately 1.5 feet. The increased navigational clearance was achieved by using a more efficiently designed shallower depth bridge beam, not by raising the roadway surface elevation.

The road work will extend from approximately 60 feet south of the bridge to approximately 60 feet north of the bridge. The WCRRC has worked with the residents immediately adjacent to the bridge to resolve conflicts resulting from the

bridge project and the impacted utilities have been already relocated or will be relocated in the near future.

Based on the existing bridge configuration and the geometry of the project site, it is impossible to maintain traffic over the canal during the construction project. Therefore, traffic will be detoured onto McGregor Road and M-36. There will be certain periods the canal will be closed during construction. These times include periods where overhead work will be occurring, such as during the removal of the existing bridge and the placement of the new concrete bridge beams.

It is the intent of the WCRRC to maintain access through the canal for the majority of the project, but the WCRRC is asking citizens to be understanding during the times of closure.

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Hospital donates defibrillator

Chelsea Community Hospital recently donated a new defibrillator to the Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea. Julie Brunzell, company manager of the theater, accepted the gift from Elaine O'Neill, community and senior health services health educator at Chelsea Community Hospital.

"It was important to us to provide a defibrillator that would allow for easy training and ease of use," O'Neill said.

O'Neill trained the Purple Rose staff to treat cardiac arrest using the AED.

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Q&A: Cabaret Chelsea set for new year

A new entertainment venue will start up in Chelsea with the opening of "Cabaret Chelsea" at 8 p.m. Jan. 22 at the historic Chelsea Depot. Recently, *Heritage Newspapers* sat down with Jeff Prenevost, the director of the Michigan Pops Choir and main force behind "Cabaret Chelsea," to talk about the upcoming season.

HN: We've heard people talking about a new series of shows sponsored by the Chelsea Center for the Arts. What, exactly, is Cabaret Chelsea?

JP: "It's just a fancy name for a series of lightly organized community do-it-yourself parties that give area performers a ready-made venue. It's a community house party at the Depot with some local artists to make it more fun."

"The performers are definitely going to have a great time, even if nobody else shows up. But the more the merrier! I think it would be outstanding, with great energy, if the place was packed. So, we rented the place and we hope it fills up. We think it will. So many people we talk to say they love the idea of a place to 'go out and dance' in Chelsea."

HN: How do people get in? What does it cost?

JP: "It's \$10 at the door, or \$10 in advance from the Chelsea Center for the Arts, or the Tree of Life Cultural Arts Studio. You can also buy tickets online at the CCA's Web site, chelsea.centerforthearts.org."

"The Depot doesn't hold many people, so people might want to get their tickets early. But if you just show up, we'll try to squeeze you in. You can get in for free if you agree to clean-up afterwards. We're running this on a shoestring. We're just trying to do something fun and good for the community (and have some fun ourselves). We certainly don't have any 'funding' or team of volunteers to do things like clean up. So we thought we'd offer this deal to the first five people to sign-up for the clean-up crew."

HN: It sounds like this is more than just a party.

JP: "Sure, we're going to a bit of trouble to try to make sure it's fun, but they're really not shows - they're parties. There's no stage, and there's certainly no script. But they should be pretty cool parties - the kind where people break out into song, tell good stories, good jokes, maybe do some skits and play games. It will be similar to pubs in Ireland, where people will spontaneously get up and start dancing."

HN: It sounds like the event is pretty well organized.

JP: "We're just trying to make it special for folks, for our friends and neighbors and community, by putting a little thought and preparation into fun things to do. So we've got some local artists who'll do their thing, but just as members of the party, as peers; nobody's going to 'provide entertainment' to a passive audience, you know?"

"I imagine that when we get rolling, there will be a lot of spontaneous activities. It's really up to whomever comes to make it work. These things are, basically, parties, and people should come with their party shoes and non-passive party attitudes. For instance, if you've got a great idea for a game, or you know a cool line dance, or want to take the stage yourself, karaoke-style - we'll work it in, and this is probably the perfect kind of thing for you."

HN: Who are some of the performers for this year's event?

JP: "For the Jan. 22 party, we've got the Michigan Pops Band, a quartet of really top-notch musicians from the area, two of whom are full-time music professionals. They'll be like a house band, doing some of their own sets, playing back-up to solo singers and to the Michigan Pops Choir."

"Bill Bynum's band is the 'headliner,' whom a lot of people from the Chelsea area

know and love. We've got some dancers participating. The Michigan Pops Choir will, of course, be doing some numbers. White Chocolate will be there. And a close friend of mine is handling DJ duties, to keep the music flowing. I'm real excited that we've got Badria Jazairi, the winner of the Ann Arbor Story Festival, as our resident story teller."

HN: The January show is known as the "Cool Show." What's that about?

JP: "Just to make it a little more fun, each party is on a different theme seasonally appropriate. The theme for the January show is 'the city,' or

'the great indoors' - a sort of celebration of coming in from the cold into someplace warm and fun and dark. To get into the spirit, it would be great if people would show up in night club attire - like for a night out in the big city."

"The next show, on Feb. 6, is 'The Love Show' for Valentine's Day, and that one's supposed to be all romantic. Then, for March, we're trying to put together an Irish-themed party."

HN: Are you still looking for performers?

JP: "I would love to hear from people with ideas or enthusiasm for helping pull this off. And, for performers, we can fit people in

up to within a couple of weeks before the show. I'd really like to see some theater groups come to put on little skits, and I'd love to find a puppeteer and a comedian or two. Because we're charging a small amount to get in, I have a small responsibility to vet performers for quality, but there are so many talented people around here, it's not been a problem so far."

"We'll figure out how to vet them in a way that works for all concerned, and work it out."

HN: Will there be food and refreshments served at the parties?

JP: "Yes. Soft drinks, beer, wine, and some light food will

be available for purchase. Selling concessions is the other way we'll try to cover costs, and, of course, having something to eat and drink makes a party more fun."

HN: What is the age range for these parties?

JP: "Well, I don't think 'little kids' would have fun, or be quite right for things. But high school on up is fine, and I hope, personally, that we get a wide range of ages. Think of them as 'PG-13' parties. Nothing rough, but not quite suitable for kids."

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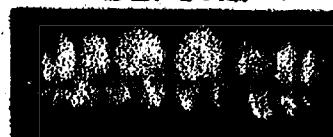
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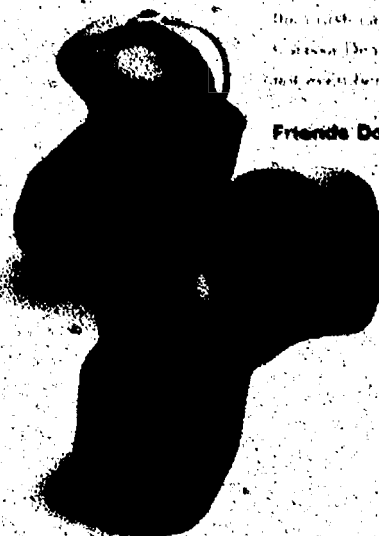
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**HAVING
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BY TERRY JACOBY

**Do we
really
need 3
officials?**

Three games in one day. Welcome back to sports. But before we get into sports, I have a question I would like to ask.

I will preface it by stating the obvious: Our state is in a financial mess and the schools are struggling to find ways to pay bills and not lay off teachers. Every district, including Chelsea and Dexter, is facing serious financial questions and the answers aren't looking pretty.

So imagine my surprise when I saw THREE officials walk out onto the court to referee the girls' consolation game between Dexter and South Lyon. There also were three in Chelsea for the boys' game and three more later in the evening for the Dexter boys' game.

Listen, I know cutting back on basketball officials isn't going to fix all our problems. But does the MHSAA really need to be paying three officials for high school basketball games? Can we cut back to maybe two and use the money elsewhere?

I'm told that the MHSAA does not receive any money from the state. But perhaps saving money by going to two officials could be used elsewhere to help districts struggling to put teams on the field. Remember, it all helps.

Plus, I had a coach tell me that he isn't a big fan of three refs because "they never miss anything." I noticed this as well and it certainly hurts the flow of a game. Remember, a good referee is one you never notice. But it's hard not to notice three.

Screaming mad: There were some raised eyebrows and even a few dropped jaws when the Pinckney boys' basketball coach ripped into his players during a time out of Wednesday's game. Let's just say he wasn't exactly hiding - or whispering - his frustrations. OK. He let them have it and could be heard letting them have it by everyone in the gym.

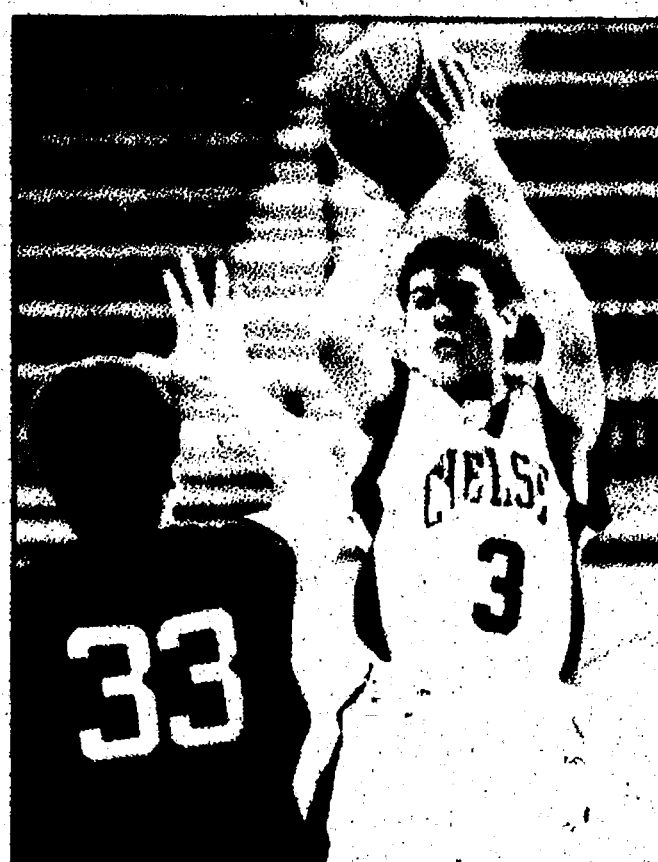
Welcome to varsity sports. Coaches at this level have expectations and these players are no longer kids. They are young men and women who must learn to accept that everyone handles frustration differently. Later in the game, this same coach put his arm around a player and talked calmly about what he just saw. Later on, he knelt in front of a player on the bench and patted him on the back for a good job.

Coaches and players at this level have a unique relationship. They spend a lot of time together. The bond can be as strong as those found at home or with friends. So if your son or daughter is on the other end of one of these tongue lashings, understand that it's part of the game. Not always a pleasant part of the game, but still something that happens and is accepted.

And a few minutes later, the way the message was delivered is forgotten. Hopefully, the substance of the message is not forgotten.

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Takin' it to the



By Burnell Strong/HERITAGE NEWSPAPERS

Spencer Mykala (left), Patrick Roberts (center) and Brennan Darwin (right) take aim at the basket during Chelsea's win last Wednesday against Pinckney.

Bulldogs switch gears, race past Pinckney

By Terry Jacoby

The Chelsea Standard

A track meet turned into a basketball game on Wednesday night at Chelsea High School and the Bulldogs crossed the finish line first with perhaps their best showing of the young season. Chelsea defeated visiting Pinckney 72-61 in the consolation game of the 12th annual Chelsea Bulldogs Holiday Basketball Tournament.

Chelsea Coach Robin Raymond substitutes like it's a relay meet, taking advantage of the incredible athletes and depth on his roster. In the end, Pinckney couldn't keep up as Chelsea kept forcing the tempo and turning fast breaks into easy layups.

The Bulldogs (3-1) lost on Tuesday in the opening game of the tournament 47-36 to Northville. On Wednesday, they looked like a different team.

"We have a lot of depth and I am rotating a lot of guys every few minutes, but (Tuesday) night we were a step behind," Raymond said. "We had a good practice this morning and talked about playing our style. We are at our best when we're going, whether it's going full court on defense or running the ball up on offense."

Chelsea had trouble for most of the game containing Pinckney's James

Super sophomores

Over the years, Raymond has given youngsters a chance to come up and contribute to the varsity team. That pays off down the road - an obvious example being Roberts.

This year, Chelsea has two sophomores, Steinhauer and Jack McDougall, seeing significant playing time.

"A year ago we had four sophomores on varsity, but that's because we had some injuries," Raymond said. "Both guys are doing a nice job out there and just add to our overall depth."

Hughes. The 6-6 senior had a game-high 27 points, 15 rebounds and three blocks.

"We knew he was going to be tough to defend," Raymond said. "But our goal was to establish the tempo in the first four minutes of the game. And if we can control the tempo for 75 percent of the game, our chances for success are pretty good. I thought we did that against a good Pinckney team."

The strategy for the Chelsea coaching staff is quite simple: take advantage of what skills you have on the roster.

"We have some very good athletes and a lot of our players play multiple sports so we want to take advantage of that athleticism," Raymond said. "You get more open looks when you're running than when you're standing. I thought tonight we worked the ball around well and found the open man."

A jumper by sophomore Jake Steinhauer gave the Bulldogs an early 12-7 lead before Pinckney ran off a 12-4 run to finish the first quarter for a 19-16 lead.

The second quarter was a back-and-forth affair and the game was tied four different times in the period - including at the end, 32-32.

A layup off a steal gave Pinckney its biggest lead of the game at 50-43 late in the third quarter. But that's when the Bulldogs switched gears, leaving the Pirates (2-3) in the dust. Charlie McCalla and Brian Paulsen led Chelsea on a 10-0 run to take a 53-50 lead after three quarters. In the run, McCalla scored six points while Paulsen scored four, including a basket off a rebound just before the buzzer to end the quarter.

Patrick Roberts nailed a three-pointer and Jake Steinhauer scored a field goal to start the fourth quarter on a 5-0 run and Chelsea never looked back.

Rockin' Roberts

At 6-foot-1, Chelsea junior Patrick Roberts wasn't the tallest player on the court, but he certainly stood out as the best player on the court. Roberts, who was called up to the varsity midway through his freshman season, scored a career-high 25 points on 9 of 17 shooting against Pinckney.

What was equally impressive were his seven assists, many creating easy layups for his teammates.

"He can do a lot of things with the basketball and he's still learning and getting better," Raymond said. "He can certainly play the game."

Charlie McCalla (11 points) and Jake Steinhauer (nine points) also played well for the Bulldogs in their victory over Pinckney.

Next up

After Chelsea's win on Wednesday, Coach Raymond and one of his assistants headed over to Dexter to scout South Lyon. The Bulldogs play at South Lyon on Tuesday as the conference schedule begins in earnest. The Lions fell to 2-2 after Dexter's 42-35 win to capture their own holiday tournament. The Chelsea coaches got to see firsthand how to stop the Lions, who struggled all night against Dexter's defense.

Girls learning on the fly

By Terry Jacoby

The Chelsea Standard

Talk about a learning curve. Chelsea girls' basketball Coach Todd Blomquist is trying to teach his young team how to play basketball at the varsity level. Meanwhile, he's trying to learn what it's like to coach a team with no seniors and practically no varsity experience.

Let's just say both sides are taking it slowly and not expecting too much too soon. That's a lesson in and of itself.

"I'm learning how to be patient and so are they," Blomquist said. "We only have 10 players and with no seniors everyone is pretty much at the same place."

Coach included.

"I think we are coming along just fine," he said. "We have been in every game we have played and with only three girls with varsity experience, I'm

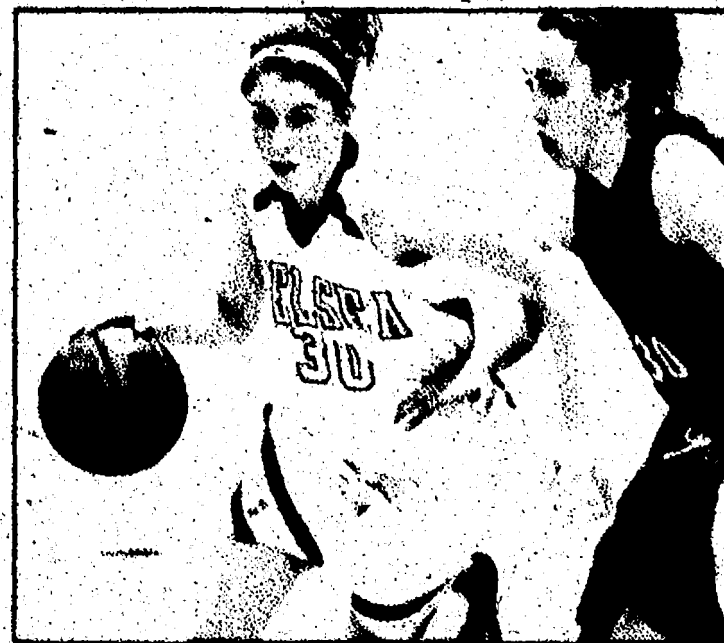
pleased with that aspect. But there is a lot of learning going on."

Blomquist does have some cards in his hand to play including some very good athletes.

"We are an athletic team and we play better when we are putting pressure on the other team and creating turnovers," he said. "Where we need work is in the half-court game."

The Bulldogs, despite their inexperience are 3-3 overall, faced a very good South Lyon team on Tuesday. They also host Tecumseh at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Chelsea is coming off a split in their own Holiday Tournament last week. They opened with a 39-38 win over Northville last Tuesday before falling to Pinckney 45-37 in the championship game last



By Burnell Strong/HERITAGE NEWSPAPERS

Chelsea's Rachel Cooper riding on the offensive.

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**Chelsea
boys win,
girls fall to
South Lyon**

By Terry Jacoby

The Chelsea Standard

Let the games begin.

That's the message Chelsea boys coach Robin Raymond delivered to his team after the Bulldogs' impressive 72-64 victory Tuesday night over visiting South Lyon.

"We still have areas to

Tuesday night basketball

improve on, but I like where we are at right now and I think we are ready to begin the (Southeastern Conference)," Raymond said.

That begins Friday when the Bulldogs travel to Tecumseh.

"Chelsea finished off its non-conference part of the schedule with a solid victory over a solid basketball team. And the game didn't exactly get off to a roaring start for the home team. South Lyon used its quickness

to take a 42-35 lead at halftime. The Bulldogs have plenty of quickness and speed of their own, but they had to adjust a little bit in the second half. South Lyon made 19 of 29 shots in the first half.

"They were getting a lot of easy shots in the first half, but

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Chelsea girls' JV start strong

The Chelsea girls' junior varsity basketball is off to a 4-2 start on the young season.

"When we come out and get after it defensively and allow it to create our offense we are athletic enough to compete with everyone on our schedule," Coach Rourke Skelton said.

"Our struggle as a team coming out of our break will be to sustain that defensive commitment and competitive nature every day at practice so that it will translate over to the games."

BASKETBALL

The girls won back-to-back games in the recent Holiday Tournament.

In the first game, they beat Northville 44-36. Point guard Sam French did a nice job of controlling the pace of the game, which allowed the Bulldogs to run their full-court defenses and fast break. French was 6 of 7 from the free-throw line and finished with 12 points.

The Bulldogs then knocked off Pinckney 47-32. Bailey Darwin and Katelyn Kingsley were both attacking the basket in the paint and were able to get to the free-throw line a combined 23 times. Darwin led Chelsea with 18 points, including 13 in second half. French had nine points.

Earlier in the season, Chelsea lost 42-18 to Dexter. "They knocked us on our heels with their intensity and readiness to compete right off the bat,"

Skelton said.

It was a different outcome the previous game as Chelsea topped Ypsilanti 58-22. Riley Singleton was very aggressive offensively, scoring all 16 of the team's 29 points in the first half.

The team opened the season with a 62-13 victory over Stockbridge. Darwin, Kingsley and Singleton all scored in double figures.

The Bulldogs lost their second game of the season 30-22 to Saline.

League Standings

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RED Division	Won	Lost
1 Lloyd Bridges Traveland	23	3
2 Color Express Printing	11	23
3 J & D Auto	11	23
4 Herndon & Assoc.	8	26
5 Government Cheese Film	6	29

WHITE Division	Won	Lost
1 Parts Peddler - Dexter	29	6
2 CFM	29	6
3 Setz's Tavern	23	11
4 Mark IV Lounge	23	11
5 Jay-Mark Associates	11	24

BLUE Division	Won	Lost
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Chelsea's Mackenzie Cole (above) had six points in Wednesday's loss to Pinckney. The Bulldogs' Grace Martin (left) is focused during last week's Holiday Tournament.

TUESDAY

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we stopped them from getting to the basket in the second half," Raymond said.

In fact, they almost stopped them from even scoring a basket in the third quarter. South Lyon didn't score until the final minute and finished 1 of 8 shooting in the third quarter. The Bulldogs ended up outscoring their opponent 16-3 to turn a

seven point deficit into an eight point lead.

South Lyon cut the lead to four points during the fourth quarter, but the Bulldogs answered with a couple baskets and were never challenged again.

"Once we got the lead, we pretty much controlled the game," Raymond said.

Patrick Roberts led the Bulldogs with 25 points.

Charlie McCalla had 13, Brennan Darwin 11 and Charlie McCalla and Mason Borders each had 8. Senior Colton

Waterbury, who came off the bench to give the Bulldogs a nice spark, finished with six points.

Girls fall to South Lyon: Chelsea Coach Todd Blomquist saw the good and bad from his young team on Tuesday night. Unfortunately, the bad was too much for the good to overcome.

Visiting South Lyon outscored Chelsea 21-2 in the second quarter and cruised to a 60-38 victory in a non-conference game.

"This was the first game we didn't compete," Blomquist said. "Hopefully, we can learn from

this. We didn't execute well and got beat on the boards. We didn't face adversity very well."

The Bulldogs did show they had some pride. They came out and outscored South Lyon 21-10 in the third quarter. So there is some bite in this young team.

Amber Stebelton led the Bulldogs (3-4 overall) with 11 points and Hannah Fitzsimmons added seven.

The Bulldogs host Tecumseh on Friday.

JACOBY

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I can't say this was the case on Wednesday. The Pinckney coach was furious at how many easy layups Chelsea was getting in the first half.

The Bulldogs sure seemed to get some easy ones in the second half as well.

Sportsmanship on display: Dexter's Caitlyn Rize hurt her knee late in the first half against South Lyon. She was sitting along the outside of the bleachers getting treatment when the South Lyon team

exited the lockerroom to start the second half.

One of South Lyon's players stopped and asked if she was OK. The two girls shared a laugh before the South Lyon

player continued on to the floor. This is the side of sports rarely reported on. Consider it reported on.

Soda surprise: Just for the record, it's \$1 for a diet coke at

Chelsea and \$1.50 at Dexter. But it's all going back into the programs, so it's all good. Right?

GIRLS

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Wednesday.

Down a point with 18 seconds to play, the Bulldogs called a time out. Then they called another time out.

"They came out in a zone and we drew up a play for man-to-man," Blomquist said. "So we called back-to-back time outs."

Rachel Cooperrider was fouled on the play with eight seconds left and knocked down both free throws. Northville missed a shot as time expired.

Hannah Fitzsimmons led the Bulldogs with 12 points while Mackenzie Cole finished with nine and Cooperrider had seven.

On Wednesday against Pinckney, the Bulldogs took a one-point lead into the fourth quarter but were outscored 17-8 in the final period.

"We just didn't execute well on offense," Blomquist said.

Cooperrider had 10 points while Cole and Megan Hall each had six points for the Bulldogs.

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Matt Stirling (right) already has 10 goals and 14 assists in 10 games this season for Dexter High School.

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Power Forward

Dexter's Stirling plays with passion, skill

By Dave Merchant / Staff Writer

Adrenaline is a rush that plays a big part in most athletes' performances when they step on the field or the court, or in this case, the ice. Dexter hockey star Matt Stirling knows that rush, and when he's on the rush, pushing that puck up the ice, opponents may know what's coming, but being able to stop it is a whole different thing.

Stirling has the passion, the power and that rush that makes him special.

"I like everything about the game," Stirling said. "I like the competitive edge and the adrenaline before a game and during a game."

Stirling, who will turn 18 tomorrow, is the perfect size for scoring goals in high school hockey. The senior forward stands at 5-foot-10 inches and weighs just under 160 pounds.

How do his other numbers add up? This season he has 10 goals and 14 assists in just 10 games. Yeah, not bad.

He has spent almost 14 of those 18 years on the ice, learning and playing the game he loves. His hockey career began in Ann Arbor playing travel AA hockey.

"I like high school hockey because you get to play against some of the better players and teams in the state," Stirling said. "We play DC (Dearborn Divine Child) and we play some good teams in the SEC (Southeastern Conference)."

Of course, there is that team to the west that really gets his adrenaline going. Stirling says he looks forward to those games with rival Chelsea every year.

The Bulldogs may not enjoy seeing him as much. "Saline is always good too," he said. "We also play Huron and Pioneer (who are in the SEC Red Division) once a year and they are both decent teams."

Scoring is a big part of Stirling's game and he is always looking for ways to get his team on the scoreboard

whether it be via shooting or passing. He can bury the puck in the net or set up a teammate with a perfect pass. The result is the same. Goal!

What also makes Stirling valuable to his team is the fact he doesn't spend a lot of time in the penalty box.

"Scoring is very important, and I like to do things to help the team," he said. "Normally, I am a pretty clean player. I would rather be on the ice or on the bench talking about what I can do to help the team. You can't do that from the penalty box."

Stirling sees himself as a playmaker, and with the stats he has had as a high school player there is no doubt other teams know where he is on the ice at all times. He also sees himself as a leader, a role he enjoys.

"I like being a captain on the team," Stirling said. "I have to be a role model to the other players and almost like an older brother."

Dexter Coach Gary Howell said there are several reasons why he is pleased to have a player like Stirling on his team.

"He has been the leading scorer on the team for the past two years," Howell said. "He is a very smart player. It seems like he has another gear when he plays and he can turn it up."

Howell said Stirling is usually good for at least one goal and one assist a game.

"Not only does he lead the team in points, but he also leads us in plus and minus," Howell said. "As a sophomore, he was plus-27."

He's also a plus in the classroom. Stirling's favorite class is accounting, which is good because he would like to study business in college. He is looking at attending either Western Michigan University, Ferris State University or maybe even Northern Michigan University.

Stirling says he likes playing for Howell and has learned a lot

from the coach.

"I have had Coach Howell since my sophomore year," he said. "He is a good guy and a good coach. He really knows the game, and he has made me a better player and a better person."

Stirling plans to tryout for Juniors after high school to see if that's a road he wants to travel. He wants to play hockey, but also wants to get an education.

"I want to try out for a couple teams," he said. "I will give it a year or two but my education comes first and I want to have that."

One of Stirling's favorite memories of hockey happened when he was playing for a team two years before his sophomore year in high school.

"I was playing Bantam and we won the Little Caesars championship," he said. "We were down and we scored later in the game to force overtime. I scored one goal early and had the assist on the game-winner in overtime. I won't ever forget that."

Stirling loves to watch hockey when he isn't busy scoring goals or making plays. His favorite players are Detroit Red Wings Henrik Zetterberg and Pavel Datsyuk.

"I like them because they play with more finesse and they get the job done," he said. "Stirling's father Jeff and mother Kris make as many games as they can each year. His sister Jennifer is a sophomore at Dexter and she watches his games when she is not involved in her drama activities."

"My parents are proud supporters," he said. "I talk to my dad before every game and we discuss the games after."

Sports are an important part of Stirling's life. Besides playing varsity baseball for the Dreadnaughts, he trains by skating or weightlifting "all the time." As a senior in a

tough sport he offers some sage advice for incoming freshmen and younger people who want to play hockey.

"High school hockey is fun," he said. "It has been a great thing for me. I say give it a year and see if you like it. If you don't, you can always go back to where you were playing before."

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WRESTLING
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Monroe at Huron, 7 p.m.
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Chelsea at Tecumseh, 7 p.m.
Dexter at Ypsilanti Lincoln, 7 p.m.
Saline at Bedford, 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Huron at Monroe, 7 p.m.
Pioneer at Belleville, 7 p.m.
Tecumseh at Chelsea, 7 p.m.
Dexter at Ypsilanti Lincoln, 5:30 p.m.
Saline at Bedford, 5:30 p.m.
Flat Rock at Milan, 7 p.m.
Hanover-Horton at Manchester, 7 p.m.

SYNC SWIM
Huron at Grosse Pointe, 7 p.m.

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HOCKEY

Chelsea at FP Catholic, 3 p.m.
Dexter at Auburn Hills, 7 p.m.
GP South at Saline, 7 p.m.
Southgate at Lincoln-Milan, 5:30 p.m.

WRESTLING
Pioneer at Port Huron Invite
Chelsea at Holly Invitational
Dexter at Hillsdale Invite
Saline at L'Anse Creuse
Milan at Monroe Invite
Manchester at Clinton Invite

SWIMMING

Pioneer at Salem, noon
Chelsea at Holland Invite
Dexter at Battle Creek Lakeview, 9:30 a.m.
Saline at Battle Creek Lakeview, 9:30 a.m.
Milan at Holland Invitational

Monday

BOYS BASKETBALL
Manchester at Britton, 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Grosse Pointe at Milan, 7 p.m.

BOWLING
Saline at AA Pioneer, 3:30

GYMNASTICS
Saline at Salem, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday

SWIMMING
Pioneer at Chelsea, 6 p.m.
Girls sync swimming at Pioneer, 6:30 p.m.
Milan at Tecumseh, 6 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Dexter at AA Huron, 7 p.m.
Saline at Tecumseh, 7 p.m.
Manchester at Addison, 7

BOYS BASKETBALL
AA Huron at Dexter, 7 p.m.
Saline at Gibraltar Cartoon, 7 p.m.
Milan at Riverview, 7 p.m.

Wednesday

HOCKEY

Chelsea at AA Huron, 7:30
Pioneer at Woodhaven
Dexter at Livonia Franklin, 8
Lincoln-Milan at Saline, 6:30

WRESTLING
Monroe SMCC at Milan
Manchester at Michigan Center, 5:30 p.m.

BOWLING
Saline at Monroe, 3:30 p.m.

GYMNASTICS
Saline at Coldwater, 6:30

Thursday, Jan. 14

BOYS BASKETBALL
Manchester at Michigan Center, 7 p.m.

WRESTLING
AA Huron at Dexter, 5:30
Pioneer at Ypsilanti, 5:30
Chelsea at Dexter, 5:30 p.m.
Saline at Tecumseh, 5:30

SWIMMING
AA Huron at Saline, 6 p.m.
Chelsea at Lincoln, 6 p.m.
Girls Basketball
Saline at AA Greenhills, 7

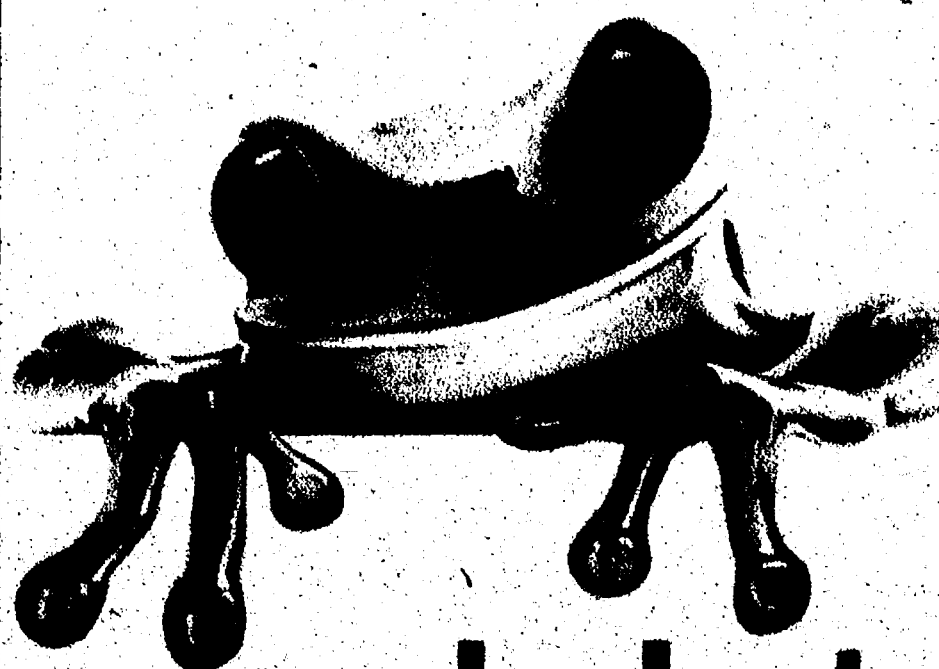
Friday, Jan. 15

BOYS BASKETBALL
Flat Rock at Milan, 7 p.m.
Adrian at Chelsea, 7 p.m.
Ypsilanti at Dexter, 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
East Jackson at Manchester, Dexter at Ypsilanti, 7 p.m.

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Others to watch

• Andrew (Drew) Harper (left) is one of the top scoring forwards in the area. He plays on the Lincoln-Milan co-op team and has 16 goals and 14 assists this season. He is one part of a pretty high powered offense for his team.

• Dexter's John Broach also has what it takes to find the net. He scored all three goals for the Dreadnaughts in last Tuesday's 6-3 loss to Allen Park.

• Chelsea has a number of guys who can put the puck in the net, including Joe Hewitt, Brad Hepler and Dan Hudson.

State parks offer winter wonderland

When planning a winter trip to cross-country ski or snowmobile, the necessary requirements for a top destination include decent snow, accessibility to a network of trails and some sort of cozy lodging.

Add to that list the option of finding all three in one convenient, affordable location, and the clear winner is Michigan State Parks. With more than 30 parks offering winter lodging facilities, ranging from rustic cabins to fully furnished lodges, it has never been easier for winter recreation enthusiasts to enjoy their outdoor pursuits while staying on or close to the trails they are using.

"The winter lodging opportunities we have available in state parks are a unique way for outdoor enthusiasts to enjoy their sports while staying on the trails and in the parks, rather than trying to find the nearest town with lodging and then returning to the trailhead each day," said Richard Hill Jr., Department of Natural Resources district parks supervisor in the western Upper Peninsula.

"Considering some of our most popular state parks are located far from larger cities, having lodging available right in the park can make planning a trip much simpler for our visitors."

Depending on which type of trails are being used and how many people are in a group, Michigan State Parks offer five different types of winter lodging to meet the needs of diverse types of users.

For large groups looking for all the conveniences of home, there are modern lodges located in several state parks. The modern lodges accommodate between six and 24 guests. Most are fully furnished and the kitchens equipped with appliances, dishes and cookware. Some of the lodges are equipped with linen service and beds are made before the visitor's arrival. Potential renters should check with the individual park for the included amenities and prices.

"For snowmobilers who want to establish a base camp for a week, or just need a place to stay overnight on a long ride, the fully furnished lodges can't be beat," Hill said. "The lodges that are located along snowmobile trails allow snowmobilers to ride directly from the trail to the front door of the lodge. The next morning, they can be back on the trail, without having to load or unload any machines."

The lodges also make a convenient and easily accessible base camp for cross-country skiers who prefer to have electricity and heat available while still staying in the state park, close to miles of groomed trails.

State park modern lodges located along snowmobile trails can be found in Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park, Twin Lakes State Park and P.J. Hoefft State Park. These three parks, along with Fayette State Historic Park and Proud Lake State Park, also offer groomed networks of cross-country ski trails adjacent to or near the modern lodges.

Additionally, a modern lodge adjacent to a snowmobile trail and groomed cross-country skiing will open Feb. 1, 2010 at Tahquamenon Falls State Park

in the Upper Peninsula.

A second alternative for cozy accommodations in winter are the camper cabins. Equipped with electricity and heat, these log cabins cost \$80 per night and can sleep up to six people in two bedrooms and a living room with a futon. Visitors should plan to provide their own bedding, cookware and camp stove.

"Staying at a camper cabin is like having your own private log cabin in the woods," said Hill. "The cabins usually are found in scenic locations, where you can watch the sunrise from the covered front deck before heading out on the trail for the day. You get all the solitude of winter camping, with the luxury of heat and electricity."

Snowmobiles can be ridden directly to the brand-new camper cabin at Van Riper State Park, which is perched on the shoreline of Lake Michigamme, while the camper cabin at Fort Wilkins Historic State Park is located near a snowmobile trail and cross-country ski trails.

Camper cabins also are available in winter at the following state parks with groomed cross-country ski trails: Mitchell, Tahquamenon Falls, Port Crescent and Proud Lake. Additionally, Holland, Waterloo, Pinckney and Tawas offer camper cabins in winter with access to ungroomed trails.

A third choice for state park winter lodging is known as the mini-cabin. These small, one-room cabins are located within established campgrounds and have electricity and heat. Mini-cabins can sleep four people on bunk beds and generally cost \$35 per night during the winter months. Renters should bring their own bedding, cookware, flashlights and cookstove.

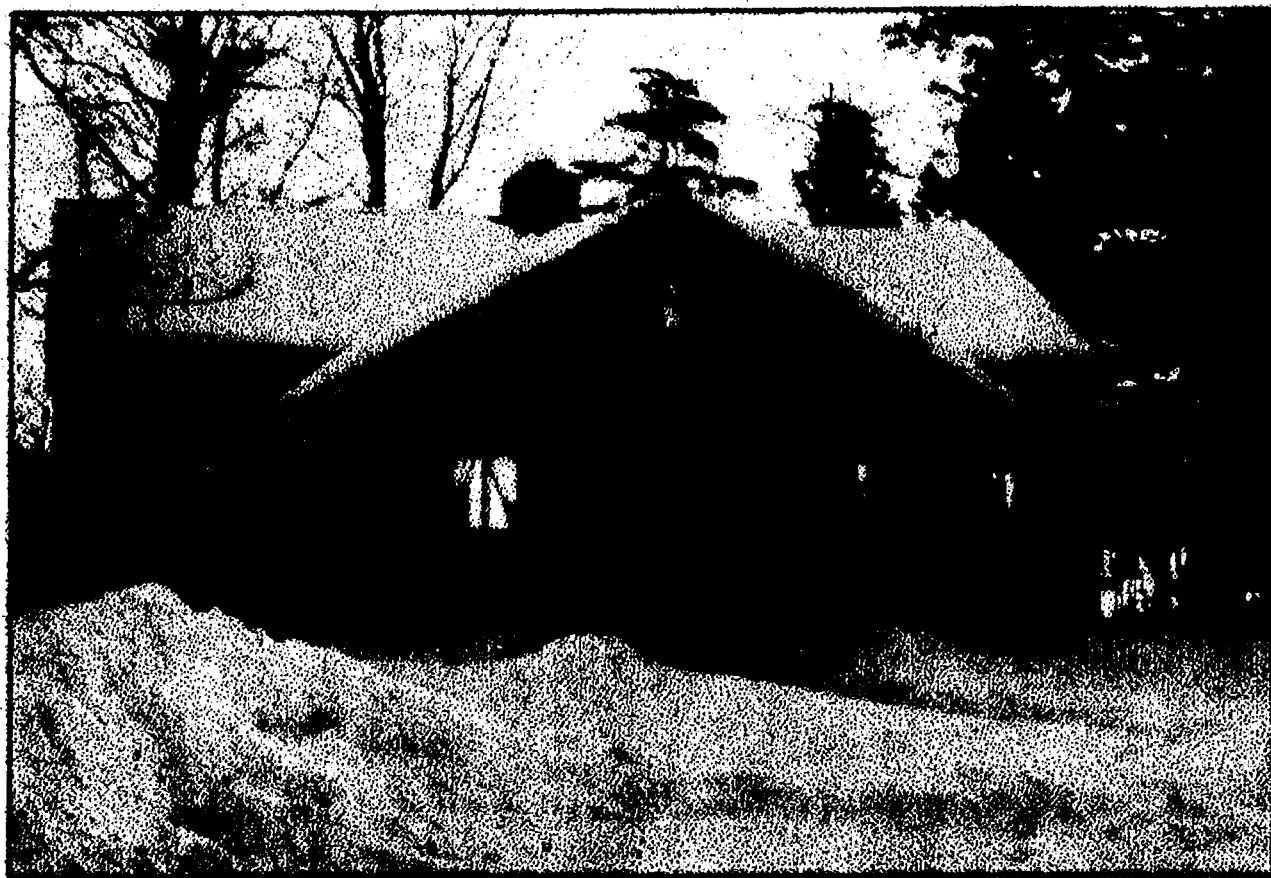
Both snowmobilers and cross-country skiers can easily access the mini-cabin at North Higgins Lake State Park and Fort Wilkins State Historic Park. Mini-cabins also are located at the following state parks with networks of groomed cross-country ski trails: P.J. Hoefft, Ludington, McLain, Muskegon, Port Crescent and Sleeper.

For winter outdoor enthusiasts who would like to get away from it all and unplug, the rustic cabins and yurts available for winter lodging might fit the bill.

Rustic cabins range in cost from \$50 to \$80 per night and offer lodging for groups ranging in size from two to 24 people.

These cabins typically are furnished with a table, chairs, heater or woodstove (firewood is provided) and beds with mattresses. Except for Sleeper Lake State Park and Holly Recreation Area, rustic cabins do not have electricity, and renters are encouraged to bring their own cookware, bedding and lanterns.

Rustic cabins are available in winter at the following state parks with groomed cross-country ski trails: Cheboygan, Hartwick Pines, Porcupine Mountains, Rifle River, Sleeper and Wilderness. The rustic cabins at Sleeper State Park do have electricity. Other rustic cabins available in winter are at Bald Mountain, Brighton, Fort Custer, Harrisville, Holly, Island Lake, McLain, Ortonville, Van Riper, Waterloo



The Kaug Wudjoo Lodge in Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park offers accommodations for 12. The name, pronounced (kayg-WAD-joo) means "place of the crouching porcupine" in Ojibwa. Park officials are taking reservations at a weekly rate of \$1,225, plus an \$8 non-refundable reservation fee. Contact the park for more details.

and Wells. Many of these parks allow snowmobiling and all allow cross-country skiing.

Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park and Pinckney Recreation Area offer yurts - sturdy, weather-tight, circular tent structures - during winter. Yurts sleep four to five on bunk beds or futons and rent for \$60 per night. Heat is provided from a propane furnace or woodstove, but yurts do not have electricity. Cookware is available at Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park.

"Yurts and rustic cabins are extremely popular with cross-country skiers because they often are located right on the ski trails," Hill said. "In some of the parks where the cabins are not accessible by road, skiers will pack in their supplies and then set up a base camp to return to each evening after spending a day on the trails."

For a complete list of all state park winter lodging and to learn more about the available facilities, go online to www.michigan.gov/dnr.

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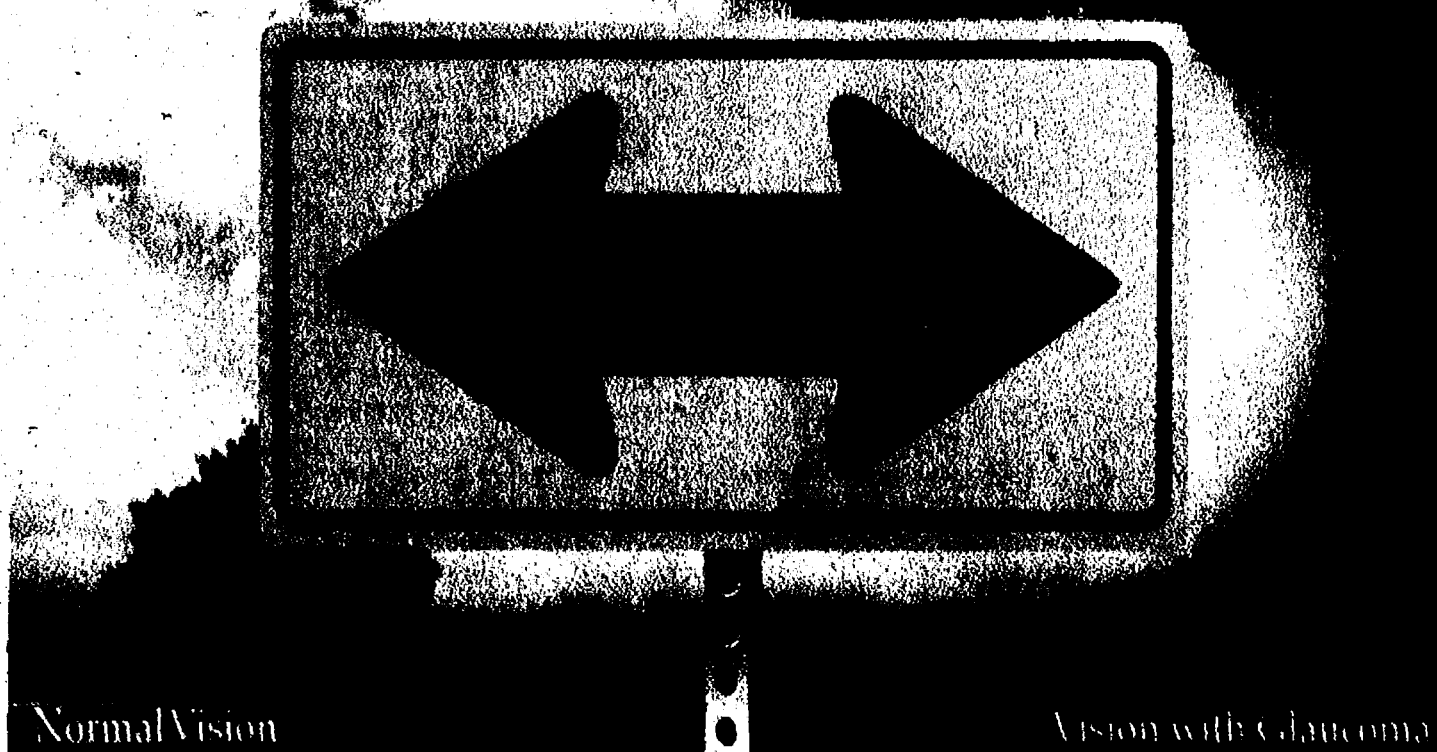


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An estimated 120,000 Americans are blind as a result of glaucoma. That represents 9% to 12% of all causes of blindness in the U.S.

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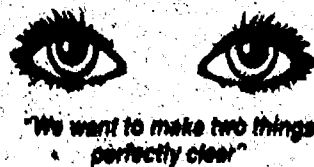
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■ Yoga Day

Yoga Day USA is an annual event where the yoga community comes together to share the health and wellness benefits of yoga by donating time to host free or low cost workshops around the country. Yoga Day USA at St. Joe's will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Jan. 28 at Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center located on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor.

The event is a fundraiser for Catherine's House, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's local charity that provides emergency food and clothing for employees in need. Donations are accepted the day of the event by cash or check. Suggested donation is \$10 individual, \$20 family. Light refreshments and raffle drawings are included. Space is limited and registration is required for each session separately. Sessions will run 45 minutes each.

Chelsea

■ Free breakfast

Where: First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Chelsea. Call 1-734-475-8119.
When: Second Saturday of every month from 8 to 11 a.m.
Who: For anyone who wants a free breakfast and good company.
Why: Outreach of the church to help people.

■ 'Escanaba' extended

The Purple Rose Theatre Co. recently announced a five-week performance extension of Jeff Daniels' "Escanaba." Originally scheduled to close on Dec. 19,

"Escanaba" will run until Jan. 23. Performances for the remainder of the engagement will be Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. with some variance for the holidays and some added performances including an exclusive discounted student matinee at 11 a.m. on Jan. 13. All performances are at the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St.

■ Chelsea District Library

For more information, call 475-8732.
Jan. 7: International Book Club, first Thursdays 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the McKune. Registration is required.
Join us as we feature books that take you to cultures around the globe. Reserved copies are available for participants, sign up to get a copy. January's book will be "White Tiger" by Aravind Adiga.

Jan. 11: Have a chilly good time making crafts, playing games and doing experiments with snow and ice.

Jan. 15: Read to library dogs, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Improve your reading skills by reading books to our friendly service dogs. Sign up for a 10-minute slot.

Jan. 10: Music at the McKune, 2 to 3 p.m. The Paul Keller Trio featuring Paul Keller on string bass, Steve Richko on piano and Jesse Kramer on drums along with vocalist Susan Chastain will perform songs from the Great American Songbook including familiar standards by George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Harold Arlen, Isham Jones, Irving Berlin, Duke Ellington, Walter Donaldson and other famous composers of

American popular songs from 1920 to 1950.

Jan. 11: Mom-prenuer/ship. How to Start a Business & Have a Family, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the McKune. Registration is required.

Join us for a look at the ways female entrepreneurs have struck the balance of running a business and running their families. Learn about creative solutions for dividing your time and managing your resources to allow you to start your business on your own terms and time constraints.

■ Chelsea Senior Center

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

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

Tomorrow: Bingo, 9 a.m.; Block a Month quilting, 10 a.m.; Enhance Fitness, 10:30 a.m.; Pork chop lunch at noon; Euchre, 12:30 p.m.; Book Discussion "The Shack," 1 p.m.; Wii Fun, 1 p.m.; Stamp collecting, 1 p.m.

Jan. 11: Bingo, 9 a.m.; Massage by Dawne, 10 a.m.; Enhance Fitness, 10:30 a.m.; Stuffed green peppers lunch at noon; Hand and foot, 12:30 p.m.; Digital Media, 1 p.m.; Nintendo Wii tournament at Silver Maples, 1:30 p.m.; Jan. 12: Enhance Fitness, 9

a.m.; Mah Jongg, 9 a.m.; Crafts - Punch Needle, 10 a.m.; Wood Carving, 10 a.m.; Chicken divan lunch at noon; Quilting for Charity, 1 p.m.; Nintendo Wii Fit, 1 p.m.; De-stressing in the new year, 1 p.m.; Senior Supper Club at Chelsea Hospital, 4 p.m.; Euchre, 6:30 p.m.; Clogging, 6:30 a.m.

Jan. 13: Stained Glass class, 9:30 a.m.; Enhance Fitness, 10:30 a.m.; Meatloaf lunch at noon; Square Dancing, 12:30 p.m.; Funding Long Term Care, 1 p.m.; Pinochle, 1 p.m.; Scrabble, 1 p.m.; Bowling at Chelsea Lanes, 1 p.m.

Jan. 14: Board of Directors meeting, 8:30 a.m.; Enhance Fitness, 9 a.m.; Computer Club, 10 a.m.; Chess, 10 a.m.; Turkey and gravy lunch at noon; Chelsea Area Bridge, 12:15 p.m.; Knit & Crochet, 12:30 p.m.

■ Chelsea Center for the Arts

Chelsea Center for the Arts is located at 400 Congdon St. in Chelsea. For more information, call 734-433-2787 or log onto the Web site, www.chelseacenterforthearts.org.

Jan. 9: Mother/daughter beading, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Spend some time bonding while making colorful art.

Jan. 9: Phenakistoscopes, open to grades 1 thru 3. Design Magic Eye drawings with friends and family.

Dexter

■ Artistic

Dexter's fine gift and art gallery features only Michigan artists and their unique work. It is located on the corner of Broad and Main streets in beautiful,

historic downtown Dexter. It is owned and operated by local artists Lisa Wandres and Pam O'Hara. For more information, call 426-1500.

■ Dexter Senior Center

7720 Ann Arbor St. Call 426-7737. Lunches are complete - main dish listed, \$2.50 minimum donation. Reservations should be made the day ahead by noon, call 426-5397.

Jan. 11: 8:30 a.m., swimming; Wyle Pool, 9:15 a.m., walking; 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Swine Flu clinic; Lunch: Chicken Picatta.

Jan. 12: 10 a.m., Lifestyle Fitness and Rug hookers, 11 a.m., Tai Chi; Lunch: Vegetable lasagna, noon, French, 1 p.m., floral arranging.

Jan. 13: 8:30 a.m., swimming; Wyle Pool, 9 a.m., Medicare Assistance, 10:30 a.m., exercise; Noon, Classic Pizza, 1 p.m., Watercolor painting, Yoga and German.

Jan. 14: 9 a.m., Spanish; 9:30 a.m., Euchre, 10 a.m., Lifestyle Fitness, 11 a.m., Sip and Stitch; Lunch: Stuffed steak, 12:30 p.m., Scrabble/ Bridge, 1 p.m., Mah Jongg.

Jan. 15: 8:30 a.m., swimming; 9:30 a.m., coffee hour; 10:30 a.m., exercise; Lunch: Baked ham with pineapple.

■ 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 734-426-4477.

Jan. 8

2 p.m.: Drop-In Story Time for all ages; "Get Your Body Moving," refreshments; 6:30 p.m., Friday Night Movies for Adults featuring "The

Soloist

Jan. 9

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friends of the Dexter District Library Used Book Sale.

Jan. 11

Winter Story Times begin for toddlers and preschoolers and will run for eight weeks. Registration is required.

Toddler Story Times for ages 18 months to 3 years, Monday, Wednesday or Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday at 1 p.m. Preschool Story Times for ages 3 to 5 years.

Monday or Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

Jan. 12

6:30 p.m., Family Movie & Popcorn Night featuring "The Rescuers Down Under."

Parks

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Old Scout Troop 1187 of Dexter is working on earning their Silver Award, and the main theme of their efforts is "Feeding the Homeless." They recently organized a bowling fundraiser held on Dec. 13, 2009 at Belmont Lanes in Ann Arbor. Local Old Scout troops and their families came to this event and helped by donating canned food. Pictured are left to right: Ben Campbell, Katelyn Green, Michelle Rochowicz, Katerina Mandel, Susan Urba, Morgan Campbell and Alison Rochowicz.

CRC receives recreation grant

The Chelsea Recreation Council was recently awarded a grant of \$12,000 from the Chelsea Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, to support the "Chelsea: For the Love of Baseball" project, a renovation project for existing baseball and softball fields.

The grant helped complete a challenge grant from the Detroit Tigers Foundation to the Chelsea Recreation Council.

"The Detroit Tigers Foundation

awarded the Chelsea Recreation Council a \$12,000 grant as a challenge to the council to raise an additional \$12,000 in matching funds. This was a great opportunity for the Chelsea Community Foundation to leverage and complete a challenge grant that will have such an impact in the community of Chelsea," Jordan Field, director of the Detroit Tigers Foundation said.

The "Chelsea: For the Love of Baseball" project has been designed in phases, with the top priority being the fields at Chelsea High School. While other fields are in need of maintenance due to excessive

use, the high school fields have been deemed unplayable. In 2006, the CCF provided support for the renovation of the fields at Beach Middle School, and those fields are beginning to show wear.

"The Chelsea Recreation Council is very excited to receive the grant from the Chelsea Community Foundation. Our baseball/softball program has grown to nearly 600 kids. With these grant funds, we will be able to renovate the CHS field and provide the space needed to accommodate more teams. This project also will provide more opportunity for practices and

games. It is an incredible gift to the community," Michelle Mitchell, recreation director for the Chelsea Recreation Council said.

The Chelsea Community Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment fund that provides an ongoing source of revenue for qualified and needed programs and activities in the Chelsea community. Founded in December 1995, the CCF has a permanent charitable endowment of more than \$1.5 million and has awarded more than \$950,000 in grants to organizations working to improve the quality of life in Chelsea.

STRAIGHT FACTS

In the Dec. 16, 2009 edition of *The Chelsea Standard* in a "city notebook" story titled "City extends contract with police chief," the story should have said that city officials approved the purchase of a 10 megawatt transformer capable of powering one-third of the city's municipal energy customers. The equipment, supplied by Delta Stat, Inc. for \$277,073 was approved by the entire Chelsea City Council other than Bill Holmberg.

In the Dec. 31, 2009 edition of *The Dexter Leader*, a village notebook story titled "Cornerstone Fitness to keep doors open" (an article that cov-

ered items other than Cornerstone Fitness' business status) should have said that Shawn Ferguson is a contracted consultant whose four-month employment period ended on Nov. 30, 2009, and that

Ferguson could work for the village to further develop an economic development and marketing plan. Village officials will have an opportunity to discuss and possibly vote on hiring Ferguson's firm to continue work

on the plan at their next meeting on Jan. 11.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday, January 20, 2010

AT 7:00 P.M.
AT
DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINEKNEY RD.
DEXTER, MI. 48130

DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE on ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The Dexter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on January 28, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on proposed amendments to the Dexter Township Zoning Ordinance adopted on April 15, 2003, as amended, pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended. The public hearing will be held at the Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pineckney Road in Dexter Township. A copy of the proposed amendments can be viewed at the Dexter Township Hall during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Members of the public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. Written comments should be received by 12:00 p.m. (noon), January 28, 2010 and addressed to the Dexter Township Planning Commission, 6880 Dexter-Pineckney Road, Dexter, MI 48130. The proposed amendments provide regulations for the following land uses: 1) non-public communication towers and related broadcasting and receiving facilities; in the Public Lands District; and 2) wineries, microbreweries, and distilleries in the General Commercial District.

John Shea, Chairperson
Dexter Township Planning Commission

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BRIEFS

'Around Town with Linda'

"Around Town with Linda" will feature John Schwarz, a local artist from the River Gallery, 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.

Sounds & Sights CD

"The Best of Sounds & Sights - Volume 1 - 2009" CD is now available. The cost is \$5 and all proceeds go to Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights. Artists such as Bill Bynum, Matt Watroba, Coconut Radio, Royal Garden Trio, Black Train, Kitty Donohoe and more are featured. These unique CDs are available at the chamber office. For more information, call 433-2787 or visit www.chelseacenterforthearts.com

Veterans for Peace meeting

The area chapter of Veterans

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DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

AT 7:00 P.M.
AT
DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL
6880 DEXTER-PINEKNEY RD.
DEXTER, MI. 48130

AGENDA

1) Meeting Canceled

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For Peace will hold its monthly meeting on Jan. 16 at Bear Claw Coffee, 12855 East Old US 12, just east of Chelsea and off of I-94 exit 162. All veterans interested in peace and justice issues are invited to attend. For more information, call 1-734-487-9058, or e-mail wolverbob@gmail.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL

The Dexter Village Council will hold a public hearing Monday, January 25, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Road, Dexter, Michigan. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public input on an application filed by Protomatic, Inc. located at 2125 Bishop Circle West, Dexter, Michigan, for an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate.

Protomatic, Inc. is a leading contract manufacturer of high-precision prototype, short run machining and assembly. The project consists of approximately \$250,496 in new personal property investment. The exemption would apply to this personal property at their facility located in Dexter, Michigan for a period of 2 years.

The application is on file and available for review at the Village Office, 8123 Main Street, 2nd Floor of the National City Bank Building, Dexter, Michigan, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Written comments regarding this project should be submitted to the Village Manager, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 19, 2010.

Donna Detling
Village Manager

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DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2009

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Kough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan.

ROLL CALL: President Kough; Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Smith, Tell absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, November 23, 2009.

Motion Smith, support Carson to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 23, 2009 with the following correction, note that Trustee Fisher was absent for the vote of the Approval of the Minutes and the Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustee Tell absent.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Cousins, support Fisher to approve the agenda including the additional information provided for 1.3.2 and 1.2.

Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustee Tell absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$575,347.86.

Consideration of Request from Dexter Lions to place three signs in Village right-of-way advertising their Christmas Tree sale from December 15th to December 28th and a request to place a 4'x8'x13' illuminated sign in front of the tree lot on Baker Road from December 1st to December 24th.

Consideration of Request from the Friends of the Library to place nine

signs in Village right-of-way to advertise their used book sale on the following dates in 2010: January 7 to January 9, February 4 to February 6, March 4 to March 6, April 3 to April 5, April 20 to May 1, June 3 to June 5, August 12 to August 14, September 20 to October 2, November 4 to November 6 and December 2 to December 4.

Motion Fisher, support Smith to approve items 1 through 3 of the consent agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval with Trustee Tell absent.

NEW BUSINESS Consideration of and Discussion of:

Motion Cousins, support Fisher to direct staff to bring back to Council a contract with Waste Management for consideration at a future meeting.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Carson and Kough.

Nays: None. Absent: Tell.

Motion Cousins, support Fisher to suspend Village Council Action on Facilities and set a work session for February 6, 2010.

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TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Carl Ray Blevins, who lived at 8120 East Criss Avenue, Ypsilanti, Michigan died 08/30/2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary E. Crawford, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, at or to both the probate court at 101 East Huron Street, PO Box 8645, Ann Arbor, MI 48107 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Estate of HEINE PARKINSON MCCONNELL, Deceased Date of birth 12/11/1925

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Heine Parkinson McConnell, who lived at 4433 Canterbury Court, Ann Arbor, Michigan died 09/19/2007.

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IN RE: EDWIN ALEXANDRO VARGAS, 4/5/3 7/14/05
MARGARET B. MANSON and STEPHEN PAUL HURD, Plaintiffs,
vs.
KELLEY LYNN VARGAS and EDWIN R. VARGAS, Defendants.
NO. 004130 FILE # 3229.

Order of Publication

IT appearing by affidavit that Edwin R. Vargas, defendant, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee and/or is avoiding service of process, so that ordinary process cannot be served upon the above named defendant.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Defendant file an answer in the General Sessions Court of White County, at Sparks, Tennessee and with Plaintiff's Attorney, Cindy Howell Morgan, whose address is 8 West Beckman Way, Sparks, Tennessee 38583 within THIRTY (30) DAYS of the last day of publication, or a judgment by default may be entered, and the cause is for a hearing EX PARTE for the relief demanded in the petition.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this notice shall be published in Sparks, Tennessee, The Sparks Examiner, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, ONCE WEEKLY for FOUR consecutive weeks beginning the

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Estate of HEINE PARKINSON MCCONNELL, Deceased Date of birth 12/11/1925

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
LEARMAN, SAROW, BIRCHLER, FITZHUGH & PURTELL, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
The mortgage described below is in default:
Mortgage made by C.S.T., L.L.C. a Michigan limited liability company, to GreenStone Farm Credit Services, F.L.C.A. mortgage in a mortgage dated October 16, 2002, and recorded in the office of the Washtenaw County Register of Deeds on October 31, 2002, at Liber 4178, page 541, of Washtenaw County Records. The balance claimed owing on the mortgage at the time of this notice is Five Hundred Four Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-seven and 97/100 (\$504,497.97) Dollars. The mortgage contains a power of sale, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage or any part thereof.
NOW, THEREFORE, take notice that the mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the property described in the mortgage at public auction on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Washtenaw County Courthouse, 101 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, Michigan (that being the place where the Washtenaw County Circuit Court is held). The mortgage will apply the sale proceeds to the debt on the mortgage, as stated above, plus interest charges at the rate of 7.75%, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law or contract, and also any amount which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the property.
The property to be sold at foreclosure is described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Salem, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit:
All that part of the South 35.50 acres of the East 1/2 of the Northeast fractional 1/4 which lies Southwesterly of the Pere Marquette Railroad right of way and also the South 1254 feet of the East 347 feet of the West 1/2 of the Northeast fractional 1/4 of Section 10, Town 1 South, Range 7 East, Salem Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 10; thence along the East-West 1/4 line South 81 degrees 05 minutes 21 seconds West 1554.06 feet; thence North 01 degrees 02 minutes 18 seconds West 1254.00 feet; thence North 81 degrees 05 minutes 21 seconds East 350.46 feet; thence North 01 degrees 02 minutes 18 seconds West 14.65 feet; thence North 81 degrees 58 minutes 13 seconds East 780.71 feet to the Southwesterly right of way of the Pere Marquette Railroad; thence along said right of way South 52 degrees 26 minutes 34 seconds East 552.77 feet to the East line of Section 10 (nominal centerline of Currie Road); thence along said Section line South 00 degrees 19 minutes 38 seconds East 843.48 feet to the point of beginning.
EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcel: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 10, Town 1 South, Range 7 East, Salem Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 174.70 feet along the East line of said Section 10 and the centerline of Currie Road (66.00 feet wide) for a place of beginning; thence South 81 degrees 05 minutes 27 seconds West 417.29 feet; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 38 seconds West 321.54 feet; thence North 88 degrees 08 minutes 57 seconds East 415.27 feet; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds West 270.33 feet along the East line of the said Section 10 and said centerline to the place of beginning.
The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.
DATED: December 28, 2009 GreenStone Farm Credit Services, F.L.C.A. Mortgagee
Drafted by:
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NOW, THEREFORE, take notice that the mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the property described in the mortgage at public auction on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Washtenaw County Courthouse, 101 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, Michigan (that being the place where the Washtenaw County Circuit Court is held). The mortgage will apply the sale proceeds to the debt on the mortgage, as stated above, plus interest charges at the rate of 7.75%, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law or contract, and also any amount which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the property.

The property to be sold at foreclosure is described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Salem, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit:
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EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcel: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 10, Town 1 South, Range 7 East, Salem Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 174.70 feet along the East line of said Section 10 and the centerline of Currie Road (66.00 feet wide) for a place of beginning; thence South 81 degrees 05 minutes 27 seconds West 417.29 feet; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 38 seconds West 321.54 feet; thence North 88 degrees 08 minutes 57 seconds East 415.27 feet; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds West 270.33 feet along the East line of the said Section 10 and said centerline to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: December 28, 2009 GreenStone Farm Credit Services, F.L.C.A. Mortgagee

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THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Pepper, a single man, and Lindsey Thacker, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated August 7, 2006 and recorded August 15, 2006 in Liber 4576, Page 226, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Nomura Asset Acceptance Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AR by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nineteen Thousand Forty-Five and 73/100 Dollars (\$19,045.73) including interest at 7.5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the or in the Main Lobby of Washtenaw County Courthouse Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, MI in Washtenaw County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 4, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Pittsfield, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 13, Oak Hill Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 11 of Plats, Page 5, Washtenaw County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: December 24, 2009 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA, N.A. as Trustee for the registered holders of Nomura Home Equity Loan Trust 2006-A by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred-Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Two and 11/100 Dollars (\$172,542.11) including interest at 8.95% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the or in the Main Lobby of Washtenaw County Courthouse Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, MI in Washtenaw County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 4, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Pittsfield, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 26, Town 3 South, Range 6 East, Pittsfield Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; thence North 88 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds East 1328.10 feet along the South line of said Section 26 for a place of beginning; thence North 0 degrees 54 minutes 40 seconds West 577.50 feet, along the East line of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 26; thence North 88 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds East 258.85 feet; thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes East 577.50 feet; thence South 88 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds West 252.71 feet along the South line of said Section and the centerline of Merritt Road to the Place of Beginning, being part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 26. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing mortgage can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: January 7, 2010. Orleans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 213.4368 ASAP# 3400021 01/07/2010, 01/14/2010, 01/21/2010, 01/28/2010

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Randel Keith Marshall, a married man and Patricia Marshall, his wife as Joint Tenants to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Soma Financial, a Nevada Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 23, 2006, and recorded on August 30, 2006, in Liber 4576, Page 845, Washtenaw County Records, said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Nomura Home Equity Loan, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-3 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated November 26, 2007 and recorded December 14, 2007 in Liber 4657, Page 992, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety and 48/100 (\$120,790.48) including interest at the rate of 3.95000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Washtenaw County where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on January 21, 2010. Said premises are situated in the Township of Superior, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 662, Woodland Acres Subdivision No. 7, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 21 of Plats, at Pages 29 and 30, Washtenaw County Records. Commonly known as: 8588 Canterbury Court. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: December 24, 2009 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA, N.A. as Trustee for the registered holders of Nomura Home Equity Loan, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-3 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 248-335-9200 Case No. 080MI00564-1 ASAP# 3380533 12/24/2009, 12/31/2009, 01/07/2010, 01/14/2010

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- "You go, —!"
- Being to Brutus
- Neither mate
- Table scraps
- Asian desert
- Shake spears' river
- Catcher's prop
- Prove untrue
- Pirate
- Festive
- Responsibility
- At hand
- Workweek's end initials
- Lacking a musical key
- Rap session?
- Director Spike
- Foundered
- "Grapes of Wrath" type
- Baseball team
- Unescorted
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Bulldog Computer takes the bite out of viruses

Business owner enjoys success with local clients

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

If there's one thing that's important to a rural area like Chelsea and surrounding townships, it's a reliable computer shop that can get things done.

It's been eight years since local resident Matt Minard first opened Bulldog Computer Repair in his hometown.

Serving the area's residents and businesses is something Minard enjoys most about his company.

"It started when I was 11 years old," Minard said. "I got my first computer and my dad said he wouldn't pay to have it fixed if I broke it."

Minard had to work hard to learn the ins and outs of his first computer - a Packard Bell.

"I blame dad (and that machine) for me being so good at computers now," Minard laughed.

After working at Busch's for five years and deciding that

he wanted to put his advanced computer knowledge to work for himself, Minard took some classes at Washtenaw County Community College and tested out of most of the advanced hardware and software courses.

"I knew I wanted to make a change," Minard said. "So I started taking some online computer classes to see if it was something that I was going to be interested in doing, and the opportunity just presented itself to me. One business went out and I opened up the next day."

Minard and one part-time employee comprise the bulk of Bulldog Computer Repair. Their services include computer repair, upgrading, onsite networking, Web site design and custom-built desktops.

Aside from PC components and other hardware, the company is a certified Toshiba laptop outlet.

Minard said that the most important part of Bulldog Computer Repair is customer service.

"We get things done quickly, and we don't charge extra for it," he said. "A lot of computer places charge extra service charges if the customer wants

Rural communities face challenge of high-speed Internet

By Sean Dalton
Heritage Newspapers

While computers and the Internet may make information more readily accessible, Chelsea's Matt Minard, founder of Bulldog Computer Repair, said the World Wide Web can be frustrating for customers relying on slow dial-up modems.

"Since most of Chelsea is very rural, people can't get anything other than dial-up or satellite, which is expensive and can be slow or unreliable," Minard said. "I think the cell phone wireless is going to be one of the bigger trends here."

In the meantime, people are stuck with slower Internet access, he said, which causes

their computer done the same or next day."

Minard said his standard turnaround for any job is the same day or the next day.

"Our customers appreciate it and we appreciate it," he said.

Minard also offers computer advice to his customers.

"People can come in and just ask us questions. We don't look

many users to fall into the trap of disabling their computer auto update features and anti-virus software.

"I probably get two or three customers per day coming in asking about high speed Internet access," Minard said.

He also gets a pretty steady stream of people who have been the victims of a virus, which for most means a slower and unstable computer.

But for many, a virus can be a costly problem.

"There are a bunch of new viruses out there posing as anti-virus software," Minard said.

The virus places a small red and white circle with an "X" at the bottom right toolbar

at it like, 'you just talked to us for 20 minutes, now pay up,'" he said.

Minard said laptops and wireless air card installation are his top sellers right now. Aside from greater depth from new products and services offered in Chelsea, Minard announced recently that he is planning to expand the avail-

ability of Bulldog Computer Repair.

Over the next two years I have a plan to open a location in Saline and one in Jackson," he said. "We're already looking at both of those places. We may be doing both of them in 2010. I'm going to try to do at least one a year. Once I hit three, I figure I can settle down a bit."

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Minard said he hopes to continue expanding his commercial customer base from the likes of Palmer Ford, Whitehouse Financial, Gemini Hair Salon, Vogel's and Foster's, Winan's Jewellers and the many other Chelsea businesses that use Bulldog Computer Repair. Commercial customers make up 30 percent of his business.

He also predicts that his upgrade business will continue to expand as the economy causes many customers to upgrade in lieu of purchasing a brand new replacement computer.

"A new computer is going to cost \$400 to \$500, but for \$200 to \$300 we can put in a new motherboard and processor and make it run like a new machine," Minard explained. "We can turn a single core into a dual core with new memory and everything, and it costs a lot less than something new."

Bulldog Computer Repair is located at 526 N. Main St. and can be reached by telephone at 1-734-433-1090.

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The more things change, the more they stay the same

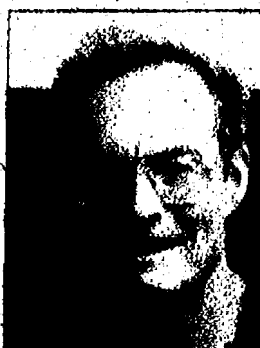
I was truly looking forward to my 41-year high school class reunion in Milwaukee this past October.

Starting over a month in advance, I would occasionally pull out my high school yearbook and try to connect names and faces. I also glanced over the bios from our other three reunions, in 1978, 1988 and 1993.

I went to my reunion thinking everyone's going to look and act pretty much the same as they did back in 1968 when we graduated. And guess what: A number of my classmates did. Of the 40 classmates who attended, there were at least a half dozen who looked as if they had stepped

right out of the pages of our old yearbook. There were a husband and wife there that I knew well 40 years ago, who hadn't changed a bit. They made me sick. Oh well, I'm just happy that over half the classmates there still rec-

MINISTERIAL MESSAGE



MARK PORINSKY

ognized me. Of course, I was wearing a name tag.

As a matter of fact, with a few notable exceptions, even most people's personalities and ways of thinking hadn't really changed significantly. We've all grown and matured, but we're all the same people we were 41 years ago.

I guess this is pretty similar to life in general. As we enter a new year, we face pretty much the same challenges as we've faced any other year. In 1968 the Vietnam War was raging; in 2010 - well, you know how it is: one war ends, and another one begins. There might be more unemployment today, but there was always the struggle to earn a decent

living.

Forty-one years ago we didn't have nearly the technological advances we have today, but there were other things to keep us happy. There have always been politicians who try desperately to hang on to our loyalty so they can stay in power. There have been far more medical advances today, but the bottom line is that people still die - every one of us someday.

Most important, underlying everything else, there is the unseen struggle between Satan and his kingdom, and God and His kingdom. Satan's entire goal is to keep as many human beings as possible from coming to know God's son Jesus

Christ as the Savior of the world and as their personal Savior. Satan uses many different means to accomplish that goal, but the goal itself remains unchanged.

On the other hand, God's goal is also still the same as it always has been: To lead as many of this world's people as possible to be alarmed by their sins, and to come to believe in Jesus as their Savior. His means are also the same: preaching and teaching His word, and administering His sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper.

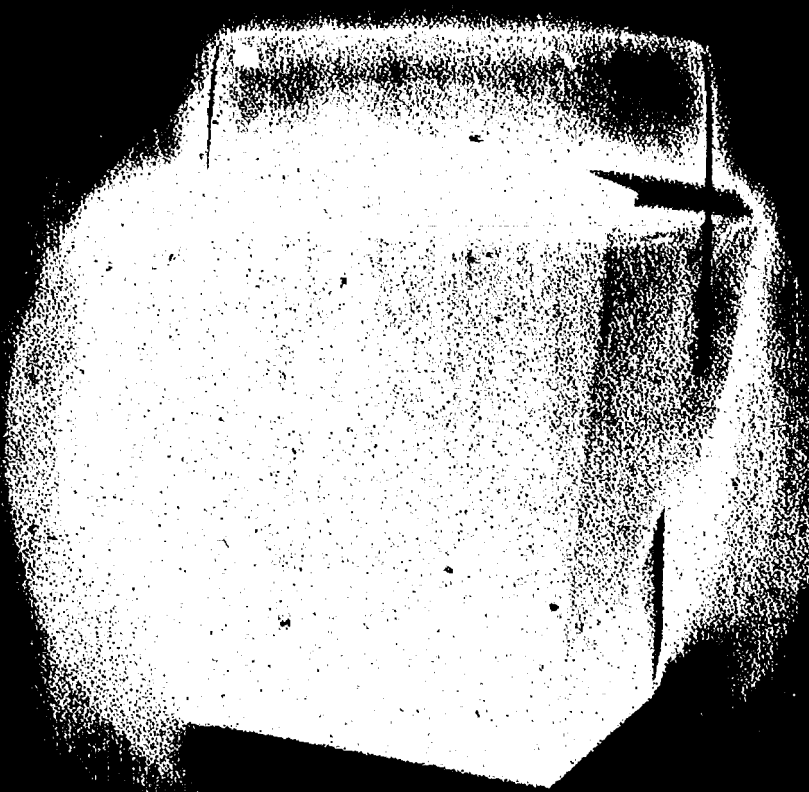
This preaching and teaching might take place in different forms and different settings, but they are still the same.

And God's love is also still the same. The same love that led Him to sacrifice His son for us lost sinners leads Him still to care for each individual in this world in a personal way.

When we eventually arrive at the most glorious reunion in heaven, we will see vast changes in all the people we knew here on earth - changes for the better. But when we look into the face of our God, we will realize that He is still the same as He's always been. And for us, that will be good news.

The Rev. Mark Porinsky is pastor of Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church and a regular contributing columnist for the Chelsea Standard and Dexter Leader.

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Children throughout the Chelsea area converged on the McKune Library on Monday to play with Legos during the library's weekly Lego Day event.

City Planners

Lego Day at McKune Library



Austin and Parker build a spaceship to carry their Lego villagers to a safe planet during the McKune Library's Lego Day.



Ben, one of the children at the Lego Day event, builds a small village with Lego characters at the McKune Library on Monday.

*Photos by
Burrill Strong*



Caitlyn builds a Lego Police Station while other participants look on at the McKune Library on Monday.



Parker and Diane play with their Legos at the McKune Library in Chelsea on Monday.



(Left) A lone Lego cowboy stands ready to fight.

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Freeman shines in 'Invictus'

Hey, I'm Ryan Michaels, a 13-year-old writing movie reviews for Heritage Newspapers. I've been doing it for two years, and enjoy it a lot. Here's my review of "Invictus."

"Invictus" is the newest film from director Clint Eastwood. In the past six years, Eastwood has given us not only his finest performances as an actor ("Gran Torino," "Million Dollar Baby"), but also directed some of the decades' best films ("Letters from Iwo Jima," "Mystic River").

"Invictus" is somewhat unique in that it has a very well-known subject in former South African President Nelson Mandela. But it's not a traditional rise-and-fall biopic of Mandela, like other film-makers would make. Instead, "Invictus" focuses on one of his greatest achievements — uniting the racially-divided nation of South Africa through the game of rugby.

The year is 1995. South Africa is sharply divided into whites and blacks, following the apartheid debacle. Mandela is released from prison and is elected the president of South Africa. Mandela intends to unite the country, using rugby, a nationally-adored activity. Mandela teams up with the South African rugby captain, Francois Pienaar, to try and win the World Cup and inspire a nation.

Morgan Freeman is fantastic as Mandela. He is warm and charming when the scene calls for it, vulnerable in some, but always commands the screen, and thrilling to watch.

Having seen little footage of Mandela himself, I can't really judge how well Freeman emulates his mannerisms, but Freeman speaks a flawless South African accent here.

Matt Damon plays rugby captain Francois Pienaar, and despite all the praise he has received for this role, Damon doesn't really have anything to do. He plays a vital role in the plot, for sure, but the role demands very little of him. He has two modes: "inspired by Mandela" and "playing rugby."

The film itself has excellent production values. Cinematography is expertly framed, the script is tight and witty, and the musical score is minimalist, yet unmistakably beautiful. There's a scene where Pienaar visits Mandela's jail cell, which is actually used in the film, that is fantastic. The final rugby match itself is tight and tense, although most people probably know the outcome.

"Invictus" is a very well-made film, sporting a fantastic performance from Freeman, great cinematography and a great script. The problem with the film lies in that it plays it safe far too often. It consistently portrays the characters as saints, Damon is way under-used, and at its core it's basically a traditional Cinderella-story sports movie. Not particularly memorable; however, very entertaining.

Film critic Ryan Michaels, a student at Emerson School in Ann Arbor and two-time winner of the Michigan Press Association Better Newspaper Contest for his reviews, can be reached through mrogers@heritage.com



MUSIC REVIEW

A2 Symphony Orchestra releases CD of American Music

By Ellie Falaris Ganelin
Special Writer

If there's one way to describe the Ann Arbor Symphony's newly released CD, it's expressive and exciting.

The music features the compositions of Paul Fetter, three works that he composed in the 1970s and '80s, which are recently brought to life by the A2SO.

In "Three Poems by Walt Whitman," Fetter sets Walt Whitman's recited text to orchestral accompaniment. The original poems were written during the Civil War era, and the emotion and uneasiness that Whitman conveys really comes alive in Fetter's adaptation.

Thomas Blaske, husband of the symphony's executive director Mary Steffek Blaske, narrates Whitman's poems pompously and with energy. The idea of reciting poetry with music is not a new concept, but it's certainly an effective technique in this piece.

Fetter stays true to the text, bringing out the essence of the poems without too much literal word painting. The movements consist of "I am he that walks with the tender and growing night," "Beat! Beat! Drums!" and "Ah, from a little child."

"One of the challenges has been setting the words to the music," said Fetter, especially with the varying tempos of different orchestras.

The "Capriccio for Orchestra," is a sprightly piece, which was commissioned as an opener for the Minnesota Chamber Symphony. In the liner notes, Fetter writes that he wanted to break from the serious, oftentimes "super-serious" nature of contemporary music.

And rightly so — this is a fun piece to shake things up a bit. From the playful beginning to the solemn middle section, this is an exciting piece. Of note is the ambitious, yet playful flute solo in the beginning, as well as a lovely, exposed oboe duet in the slower part.

The CD ends with Fetter's "Violin Concerto No. 2," featuring violinist Aaron Berofsky as the soloist. The mysterious opening movement has an Eastern European folk feel to it, which Berofsky plays with both clarity and angst. The second movement is beautiful and sorrowful. The final movement includes a whirlwind of agitated fast notes, which still has a brightness to it. The slower interlude has an emotional and mysterious melody reminiscent of the previous two movements.

In recording the CD, Fetter said that it involved several takes to get the recording right, but the last time was a charm.

"I'm very fortunate to have such a masterful performance," Fetter said. "Really this is perfect in every way."

This reviewer would agree.



Composer Paul Fetter

The Ann Arbor Symphony celebrated the release of its first commercially produced CD Dec. 17, featuring the music of composer Paul Fetter. From left are violinist Aaron Berofsky, narrator Thomas H. Blaske, composer Paul Fetter and conductor Arle Lipsky. The recording features three of his compositions: "Three Poems by Walt Whitman," "Violin Concerto No. 2" and "Capriccio."

ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

Chelsea

Father Christmas Exhibit
Through Saturday.
Handcrafted figures by Chelsea artist John W. Mitchell Sr. River Gallery, 120 S. Main St. Chelsea. Call 433-0826.

'Escanaba'
Every Wed. through Sunday, ending Jan. 23. The third in deer-hunting Yooper trilogy written by Jeff Daniels. Purple Rose Theatre Co., 137 Park St. Chelsea. 433-7673.

Annual Winter Hike and Potluck
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Naturalist Faye Stoner leads a hike to look at plants. It's followed by a potluck, so bring a dish to pass. Park Lyndon South, North Territorial Road. Pre-register at 971-6337.

Dexter

Second Saturday 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. Cost: \$8. 996-8359.

Draw Doubles Disc Golf
Noon Saturdays, play disc golf at Hudson Mills Metropark's 24-hole courses. Beginners paired with advanced players. Prizes. Golf discs available free. Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. \$5 per player. \$4 vehicle fee. 449-4300.

University Lowbrow Astronomers
5 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Peach Mountain Observatory, North Territorial Road, Dexter. Free. 332-9132.

Long-term Care
7:30 to 9 a.m. Tuesday. Credit Professionals of Ann Arbor presents Justine Bykowski of University of Michigan Housing Bureau for Seniors. Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor. \$15. Call 662-2563.

Saline

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New 12-week course starts Thursday. For information, call 429-0051.

Community Farm Kitchen
6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Mary Wessel Walker of Community Farm Kitchen, formerly of the Community Farm of Ann Arbor, will talk about community-assisted farms and how her business fits in with CSA and locavore movements. Potluck at 6:30 p.m., with a program at 7:15 p.m. Free. Pittsfield Grange Hall, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Call 769-1052.

Advanced English Dance
8 to 11 p.m. Friday. Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Cost: \$10. 1-248-288-4737.

Making Tamales
2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, make Salvadoran tamales. Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Cost: \$5 (Grange members free). Reservations required. 997-8844.

Saturday Social Dance

3:15 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday. No partner necessary. Lessons at 1 and 2 p.m. Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Cost: \$5 (dance with lesson, \$7). 213-0537.

Second Saturday Contra Dance
8 p.m. Saturday. No partner needed. Beginners welcome. Webster Community Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter. Cost: \$8.

Ballroom Dancing Night
8 p.m. Saturday. Singles and couples. Preceded at 7 p.m. by a lesson. Pittsfield Township Recreation Hall, South State at Ellsworth Road. Cost: \$5.

Michael Weiss
8 p.m. Saturday. veteran local singer-songwriter and guitarist, with local singer-songwriter Lisa Pappas. Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth, 704 Airport Blvd.

Huron Gun Collectors
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Dealers and collectors offer guns, knives, ammunition.

and hunting equipment, including antiques and collectibles. Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. \$4.

Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor

'Muerta Goes to Space Prison'
7 p.m. Saturday. Dreamland puppet troupe presents multimedia futuristic show for mature audiences. Dreamland Theater, 26 N. Washington St., Ypsilanti. Cost: \$10. 657-2337.

2010 Honors Band Concert
2 p.m. Sunday. area high school band students, selected by audition, culminate rehearsals and workshops with a concert. Pease Auditorium, College Place and West Cross, Ypsilanti.

Vocal Solo/Ensemble workshop
4 to 9 p.m. Monday. EMU Choral and Voice faculty hosts workshop for high school students participating in District Solo and Ensemble Festivals. Call 487-0280. Alexander Recital

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Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Reads 2010

The Ann Arbor District Library will present several topical programs in conjunction with the 2010 Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Reads. This year's read focuses on the subject of Michigan, as well as Jerry Dennis' award-winning book "The Living Great Lakes: Searching for the Heart of the Inland Seas." Programs include:

'Great Lakes Shipwrecks'
7 to 9:30 p.m. Monday at the Ann Arbor District Library downtown branch Multi-Purpose Room.

'Auto Expert & Automotive Magazine Publisher David E. Davis Jr.'

2 to 3 p.m. Jan. 16, Ann Arbor Library downtown branch Multi-Purpose Room. David Davis Jr. will discuss his historic automobile life in Michigan and why he and his wife chose to return and live in the state. Davis is an automobile journalist and magazine publisher.

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Washenaw Christian Academy student Nathan Kirchner began the third annual Washenaw County Christmas Prayer Breakfast with "Amazing Grace."



The closing song featured WCA elementary school dancers with a praise band.



Enjoying the speaker at the Washenaw County Christmas Prayer Breakfast were Nancy Deeb, John Zyka and Melvyn Zyka.

More than 170 adults from across Washtenaw County enjoyed a buffet breakfast, fellowship with friends, special music by Washtenaw Christian Academy students and a talk by Brad Powell, senior pastor of North Ridge Church, as part of the third annual Washtenaw County Christmas Prayer Breakfast. They were challenged, in part, to live out their faith by putting people first above programs, traditions or facilities.



The third annual Washtenaw County Christmas Prayer Breakfast at Washenaw Christian Academy featured a talk by Brad Powell, senior pastor of North Ridge Church.



Seniors Joy McTaggart, Lisa Koller, Beth Wierma and Clarissa Grimes sing at the third annual Washtenaw County Christmas Prayer Breakfast.



Attendees at the third annual Washtenaw County Christmas Prayer Breakfast included Stephanie Pips, Mike Burrell, Dennis Spicknagel, Marsha Spicknagel, Clark Cothorn, Bill George, Josh Pipe and Cheri Ewell.

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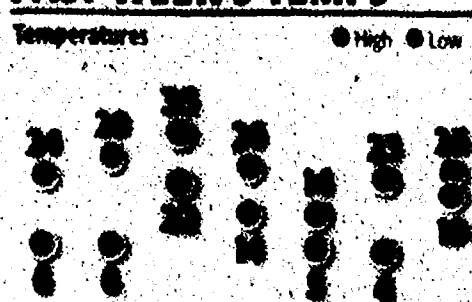
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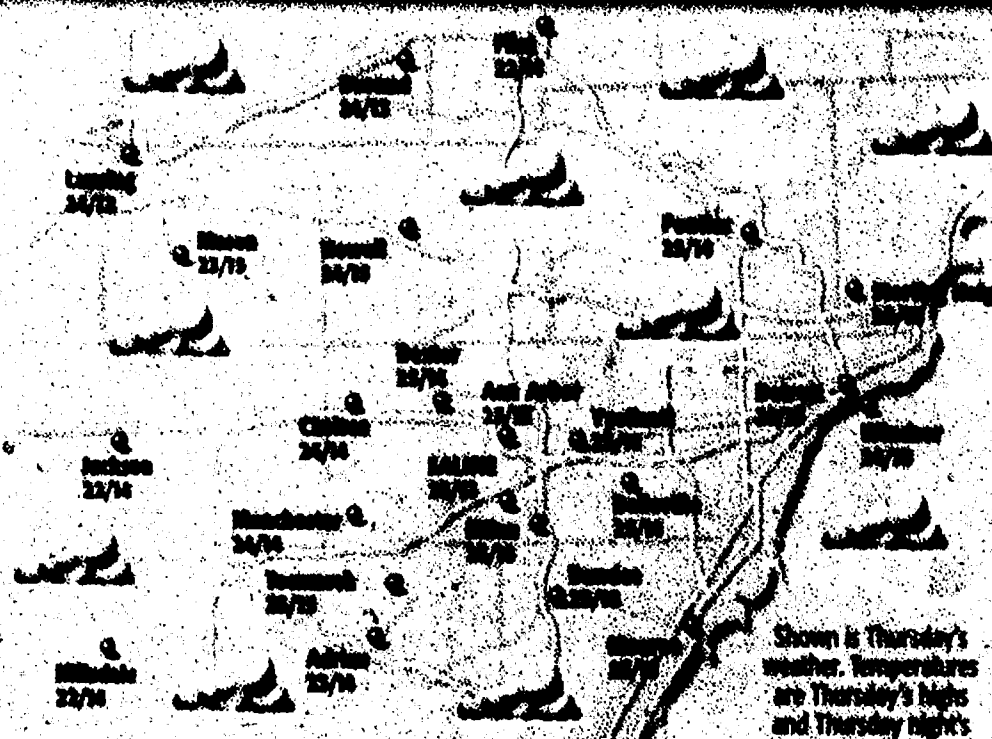
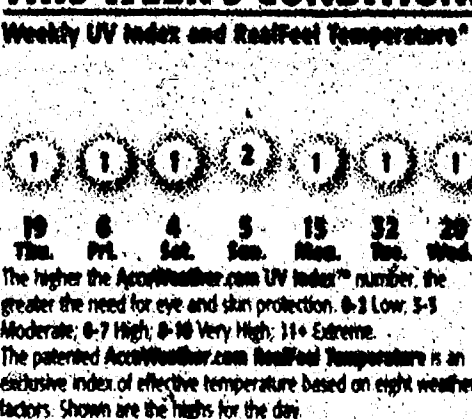
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High/low for the week	35°/4°
Normal high/low	31°/18°
Average temperature	18.0°
Normal average temperature	24.6°
Precipitation:	
Total for the week	0.03"
Total for the month	trace
Total for the year	trace
Normal for the month	0.32"
Normal for the year	0.32"

PAST WEEK'S TEMPS



THIS WEEK'S CONDITIONS

Weekly UV Index and RealFeel Temperature



SUN AND MOON

	Rise	Set
The Sun		
Thursday	8:04 a.m.	5:19 p.m.
Friday	8:03 a.m.	5:20 p.m.
Saturday	8:03 a.m.	5:21 p.m.
Sunday	8:03 a.m.	5:23 p.m.
Monday	8:03 a.m.	5:24 p.m.
Tuesday	8:02 a.m.	5:25 p.m.
Wednesday	8:02 a.m.	5:26 p.m.
The Moon		
Thursday	12:52 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
Friday	2:02 a.m.	12:14 p.m.
Saturday	3:10 a.m.	12:47 p.m.
Sunday	4:16 a.m.	1:26 p.m.
Monday	5:18 a.m.	2:11 p.m.
Tuesday	6:13 a.m.	3:03 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.

RIVER LEVELS

	As of 7 a.m. Monday	Flood stage	Current stage
Scars Creek			2.22 ft
Darwin Heights			
Harmon River		10 ft	12.06 ft
John River			
Madison Creek			3.42 ft
Ant Arbo			
Mill Creek		12 ft	6.33 ft
Darby			
Shaver Fork			5.98 ft
Manchester			
LAKE LEVELS			
Lake Erie	580.11 ft	579.87 ft	
Lake St. Clair	575 ft	574.02 ft	

REGIONAL CITIES

	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.		Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
City	18/14/W	18/14/W	17/14/W	City	18/14/W	18/14/W	18/14/W
Adrian	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P	Ann Arbor	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P
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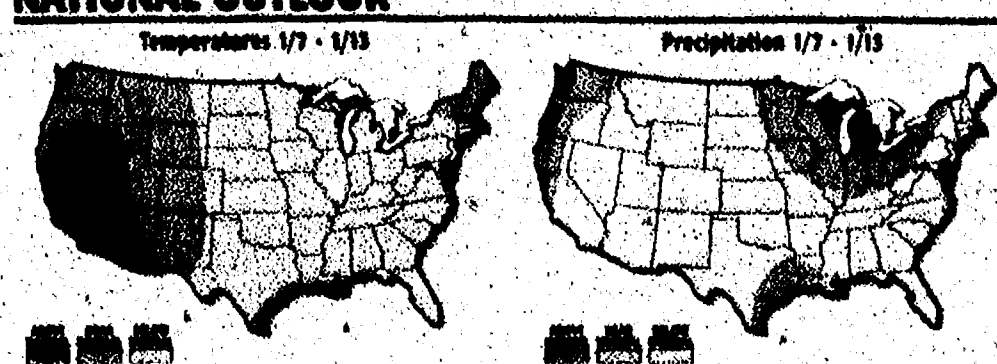
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Calgary	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P	Hong Kong	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P
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Johannesburg	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P	London	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P
London	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P	Mexico City	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P
Mexico City	25/14/S	21/10/S	17/10/P				

NATIONAL CITIES

	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.		Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
City	Hi/La/W	Hi/La/W	Hi/La/W	City	Hi/La/W	Hi/La/W	Hi/La/W
Atlanta	64/60/c	58/77/pc	50/70/pc	Miami	68/55/s	73/60/rn	84/62/s
Boston	34/23/s	28/20/st	24/16/pc	Minneapolis	-1/-9/s	2/-9/pc	2/2/s
Chicago	32/15/rn	19/6/c	17/6/c	New Orleans	80/72/rn	80/72/rn	79/69/s
Cincinnati	24/15/sn	22/10/s	17/6/c	New York City	53/27/pc	33/19/s	26/18/s
Cleveland	27/19/rn	26/14/s	16/13/W	Oakland	60/40/c	50/28/s	46/28/s
Dallas	33/14/pc	28/14/s	15/10/s	Philadelphia	58/24/pc	30/16/s	27/14/pc
Denver	38/7/c	26/16/s	50/16/s	Phoenix	70/40/c	70/47/c	70/42/pc
Honolulu	79/55/s	80/67/s	80/58/s	Pittsburgh	26/16/s	20/12/s	16/8/s
Houston	45/26/s	38/25/s	40/25/s	St. Louis	19/9/rn	9/2/c	6/6/pc
Kansas City	7/-c	5/-5/c	7/7/s	San Francisco	58/48/c	58/48/c	60/47/c
Las Vegas	85/83/pc	81/80/pc	69/39/pc	Seattle	47/30/pc	48/43/s	49/40/s
Los Angeles	70/50/pc	70/52/pc	72/52/pc	Wash., DC	33/26/pc	32/21/pc	29/19/pc

Weather (H): sunny, p-partially cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, rn-rain, s-snow flurries, ss-snow, l-ice

NATIONAL OUTLOOK



Country Market

✓ Check & Compare • You'll Save More at Country Market Everyday!

**CHECK OUT PAGE 5 FOR
OUR 10 LB. MEAT SALE
BUTCHERS ON DUTY
ALL BUNDLE PACKS SLICED
FREE TO ORDER.**

Polly's		PHARMACY AVAILABLE	
JACKSON 231 PARK AVENUE 517-783-4226	JACKSON 1710 W. HARNALL RD. 517-796-4006	BROOKLYN 11301 BROOKLYN RD. 517-393-6342	SALINE 1335 E. MICHIGAN AVE. 517-361-7214
JACKSON 1811 SPRING GLEN RD. 517-781-1221	JACKSON 2714 HENSON RD. 517-781-6060	ADRIAN 1335 W. WALNUT 517-763-4192	ADRIAN 1335 E. ADRIAN HWY. 517-763-0506
CHelsea 7212 S. WALNUT ST. 517-433-3232		DEXTER 7201 ANN ARON CENTER RD. 734-424-9006	

MICHIGAN LOTTERY

PACKAGED LIQUOR

DOUBLE COUPONS TO 50¢

OPEN 6 AM TO MIDNIGHT
7 DAYS A WEEK

Sale prices effective Wednesday January 6 thru Tuesday January 12, 2010

Amish Country
**93% LEAN
GROUND TURKEY**

\$1.99
LB.

Hoosier Pride
**SMOKED
PICNICS**

99¢
LB.

Tropicana
**SUPER
BONUS
BUY!!**

**TROPICANA
PREMIUM
CHILLED
ORANGE JUICE**
Selected Varieties
59 - 64 oz.



Tropicana
**SUPER
BONUS
BUY!!**

\$1.98

**STARKIST
CHUNK LIGHT
TUNA**
In Oil or Water
5 oz.

SAVE 75¢ on 2

2/98¢

**LITTLE DEBBIE
SNACK CAKES**
Selected Varieties
6 - 12 ct.

SAVE \$2.05 on 2

2/98¢

**CLOROX
BLEACH**
Selected Varieties
82 - 96 oz.

SAVE 9¢

Dole
**PREMIUM
BANANAS**

39¢
EA.

New Crop
**HEAD
LETTUCE**

88¢
EA.

**SUPER
BONUS
BUY!!**

98¢

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Suggestions? Comments, Looking for a Specific item? Send your requests or comments to: marykennedy@country-markets.com

**DOUBLE
COUPONS**

You can get DOUBLE COUPON SAVINGS this week at Polly's Country Market. Bring in your manufacturers' "50¢ OFF" or less coupons and get double the savings. (Not to include retailer, cigarette/tobacco products, Polly's Country Market Coupons, free or coupons exceeding the item value). You must purchase the product in sizes and quantities specified. Limit one coupon for any particular item. Additional coupons for identical items will be redeemed at face value. We reserve the right to limit quantities. Some items not exactly as pictured. Not responsible for typographical errors.

PROVIDING YOU THE LOWEST GROCERY BILLS!

**KELLOGG'S
SPECIAL K & NEW!
SPECIAL K GRANOLA
CEREALS**
11.4 - 19.3 oz.
Selected Varieties



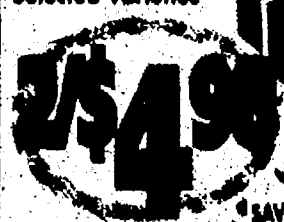
**V8
SPLASH**
64 oz.
Selected Varieties



**KELLOGG'S
NUTRI GRAIN BARS
& FIBER PLUS BARS**
6.3 - 10.4 oz.
Selected Varieties



**KELLOGG'S
APPLE JACKS
& CORN POPPS**
17 - 17.2 oz.
Selected Varieties



**COFFEE-MATE
CREAMER**
35.3 oz.



**JUICY JUICE
100% JUICE**
33.8 - 64 oz. or 8 Pk.
Selected Varieties



**CAMPBELL'S
SPAGHETTIOS**
15 oz.
Selected Varieties



**HUNT'S
SNACK PACK
PUDDINGS**
4 Pk.
Selected Varieties



MEXICAN FIESTA WITH ORTEGA BRANDS!

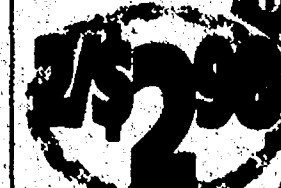
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REFRIED
BEANS**
16 oz.



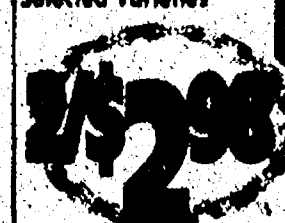
**ORTEGA
SEASONING
MIX**
1.25 oz.
Selected Varieties



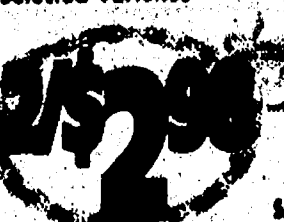
**ORTEGA
TACO SAUCE**
8 oz.
Selected Varieties



**ORTEGA
SALSA**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties



**ORTEGA
TACO SHELLS**
12 ct.
Selected Varieties



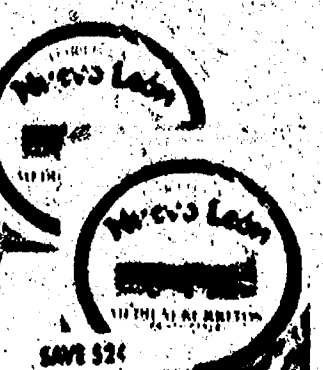
**ORTEGA
DINNER KITS**
12 ct.
Selected Varieties



**OUR FAMILY
TOMATOES**
14.5 - 15 oz.
Selected Varieties



**NUEVO LEON
TORTILLA SHELLS**
14 - 28 oz.
Selected Varieties



**OUR FAMILY
FRESH PRESSED
APPLE JUICE**

64 oz.

OUR FAMILY
PEANUT BUTTER

18 oz.

chunky

creamy

2 \$1.99

SAVE \$1.32 off 2

SAVE \$1.02

86

OUR FAMILY GRAPE JELLY

32 oz. Family Size

SALE 99¢ ON 2

Untouchables

MGM

2 LITER

Selected Varieties

POP

OUR FAMILY.

2/98

OUR FAMILY
CANNED
VEGETABLES
14.5 - 15.25 OZ.
Selected Varieties

CORN

CANNED

10¢ OFF

SALE

OUR FAMILY
CHICKEN NOODLE
OR TOMATO SOUP

2/98

Selected Varieties

10.5 - 10.75 OZ.

86

Saltines

OUR FAMILY SALTINE CRACKERS

16 OZ.

Sorted or Unsorted

Saltines

CRACKERS

OUR FAMILY
LONG CUT
PASTA
16 oz.
Selected Marriages

OUR FAMILY BRAND FOR YOUR FAMILY!

OUR FAMILY PASTA SAUCE

26 oz.

Selected Varieties

98¢

SALE 7/14

TOMATO BASIL

TOMATO BASIL WITH MEATBALLS

TOMATO BASIL WITH MEATBALLS AND CHEESE

SWISS MISS COCOA

30 OZ. VALUE SIZE

Selected Varieties

BROWN BERRY
PREMIUM WHOLE
GRAIN BREADS

24 oz.
 Selected Varieties

2/5398

SWISS HERMAN
 Made From
 WHOLE GRAIN
 \$3.99

SWISS HERMAN
 Made From
 WHOLE GRAIN
 \$3.99

SWISS HERMAN
 Made From
 WHOLE GRAIN
 \$3.99

KEN'S
 PREMIUM SALAD
 DRESSING

16 OZ.
 Selected Varieties

\$1.98

JAN 19 1975

Light & Fluffy NOODLES

12 oz. Selected Varieties

50¢ per lb.

86¢

**AUNT MILLIE'S
BUTTERED BREADS &
HONEY STYLE BUNS**
22 oz. or 8 ct.
Selected Varieties

86¢

DATE 11/97



PROGRESSO
SOUPS
18.5 - 19 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.86

PROGRESSO
Hearty Chicken & Noodle Soup
18.5 - 19 oz.

PROGRESSO
Chicken & Broccoli Soup
18.5 - 19 oz.

PROGRESSO
New! Cream of Tomato Soup
18.5 - 19 oz.

THAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE!

DAIRY & FROZEN SAVINGS!

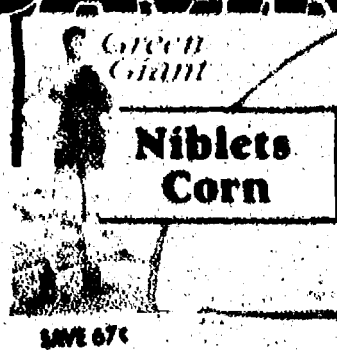
OUR FAMILY
INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED
SINGLE CHEESE
12 oz.
Selected Varieties

98¢



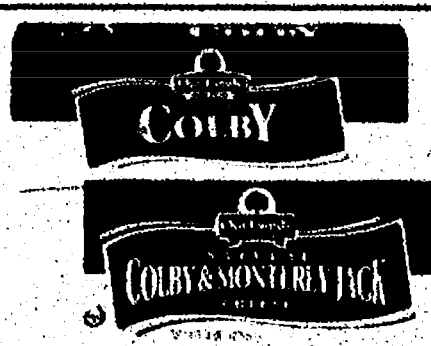
GREEN GIANT
FROZEN FRESH
VEGETABLES
12 oz.
Selected Varieties

98¢



OUR FAMILY
CHUNK CHEESE
& SHREDDS
8 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.99



BANQUET
FAMILY SIZE
ENTREES
26 - 32 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.98



FARM FRESH DAIRY

CRYSTAL FARMS
CREAM CHEESE
8 oz.
Regular or Light

98¢



CRYSTAL FARMS
BAGELS
18 ct.
Selected Varieties

98¢



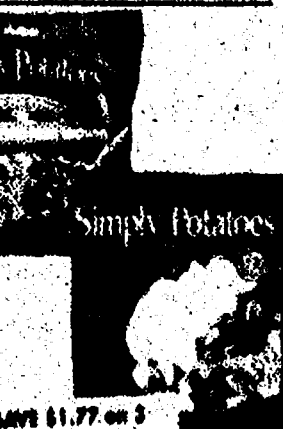
CRYSTAL SPRINGS
ENGLISH
MUFFINS
12 oz.

2/\$1.98



SIMPLY
POTATOES &
HASHBROWNS
20 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.99



CRYSTAL FARMS
IT'S SO CHEESY
SAUCE
15 oz.

2/\$4.99



BUITONI
REFRIGERATED
RISERVA PASTA
& PESTO SAUCE
9 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$5.99



PILLSBURY
TOASTER STRUDLES
10 - 11.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.99



MCCAIN
POTATOES
16 - 26 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.98



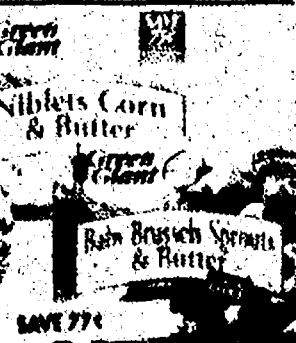
STOUFFER'S
RED BOX
ENTREES
6 - 20 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.99



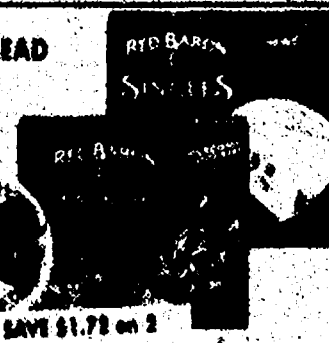
GREEN GIANT
BOIL IN BAG
VEGETABLES
7 - 10 oz.
Selected Varieties

98¢



RED BARON SINGLE
PIZZAS, FRENCH BREAD
PIZZA & PANINI
SANDWICHES
3.9 - 11.6 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.99



TOMBSTONE
PREMIUM FROZEN
PIZZA
16 - 29.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$6.99



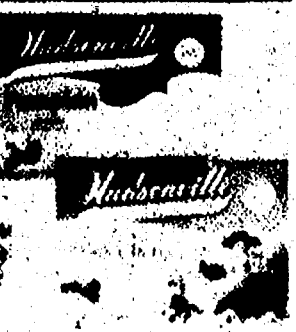
NORTHSTAR
ICE CREAM
SANDWICHES
6 ct.

2/\$1.98



HUDSONVILLE
OLD FASHIONED
ICE CREAM
36 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$5.99



COUNTRY MARKETS FAMOUS 10LB /WHOLE BUNDLE MEAT SALE!

**BONELESS
SKINLESS
CHICKEN
BREASTS**
10 lb. Bag

\$1.49
LB.

**Fresh
SPARE
RIBS**
10 - 12 lb. Average

\$1.29
LB.

**Fresh
CHICKEN LEG
QUARTERS**
10 lb. Bag

49¢
LB.

**Frozen
POLLOCK
FILLETS**
10 lb. Box

\$1.59
LB.

**USDA Choice Beef
WHOLE
RIBEYES**

\$4.99
LB.

**Fresh 81% Lean
GROUND
CHUCK**
10 lb. Bag

\$1.49
LB.

**WAYSIDE
BACON**
10 lb. Box

99¢
LB.

**Fresh
CHICKEN
DRUMSTICKS**
5 lb. Bag

69¢
LB.

**USDA Choice Beef
WHOLE
NEW YORK
STRIPS**

\$3.49
LB.

**USDA Choice Beef
WHOLE
EYE OF ROUND**

\$2.39
LB.

POLLOCK BUNDLE MEAT "SLICED FREE!"

HURRICANE BLUE

are packaged to
keep frozen.
at. Individually frozen
portion sizes.

**USDA Choice Beef
WHOLE
BEEF BRISKETS**

\$1.79
LB.

**USDA Choice Beef
WHOLE
SIRLOIN TIP**

\$1.99
LB.

We Carry Only USDA Choice Beef.
The Best In Town. Don't Be Fooled By
Select Beef or Lower #1 Grades.

USDA Choice Meats

at Low, Low Prices!

We Carry 1855 Premium
All Natural Choice Pork

**USDA Choice Premium Beef
TOP ROUND STEAK**
\$2.39 LB.

**USDA Choice Premium Beef
ROTISSERIE ROAST**
\$1.99 LB.

**Ground Fresh Several Times Daily
FRESH GROUND ROUND**
\$2.39 LB.

**USDA Choice Premium Beef
TOP ROUND ROAST**
\$1.89 LB.

**USDA Choice Premium Beef
LONDON BROIL**
\$2.99 LB.

**Slow Cooker
PORK ROAST**
Original or Onion & Garlic
\$2.99 LB.

Deli

**ECKRICH
ROAST BEEF,
CORNEB BEEF,
ITALIAN BEEF OR
PASTRAMI**
\$6.59 LB.

**CADY CREEK
CO-JACK
CHEESE**
\$4.59 LB.

**SANDRIDGE
LOW FAT SEAFOOD
SALAD**
\$5.99 LB.

**SANDRIDGE
TOMATO HERB
BISQUE SOUP**
\$3.69 LB.

**SANDRIDGE
DIJON SWEET
POTATO SALAD**
\$4.99 LB.

**DELALLO
HOT PEPPER
CHEESE**
\$3.99 LB.

**DELALLO GOLD
TURKEY BREAST**
Selected Varieties
\$4.99 LB.

**DELALLO
HICKORY SMOKED
PORK**
\$4.99 LB.

**BOARS HEAD
TAVERN
HAM**
\$6.99 LB.

**BOARS HEAD
SALSALITO
TURKEY**
\$7.99 LB.

**GARDEN FRESH
HUMMUS**
Selected Varieties
10 oz.
\$3.29

**DELALLO
BABY SWISS**
\$4.99 LB.

**DELALLO
LONG STICK
PEPPERONI**
\$4.99 EA.

**BOARS HEAD
VIDALIA ONIONS
OR SUGAR & SPICE
GLAZE**
\$3.99 EA.

**BOARS HEAD
PRE CUT VERMONT
CHEDDAR**
White or Yellow
\$3.99 EA.

**BOARS HEAD
HAVARTI CHEESE**
Plain, Dill or Pepper
\$7.99 LB.

**USDA Choice Premium Beef
T-BONE STEAK**
\$5.99 LB.

**Fresh from USA
CATFISH FILLETS**
\$4.79 LB.

**Fresh
SNOW CRAB
10 & Up**
\$4.99 LB.

**USDA Choice Premium Beef
PORTERHOUSE STEAK**
\$6.19 LB.

**Fresh Wild Caught from China
FLOUNDER FILLETS**
Family Pack
\$6.49 LB.

**Fresh
KING CRAB LEGS**
20 - 24 ct.
\$8.49 LB.

Lunchmeats

**FRICK'S
DICED HAM**
12 oz.
2/\$5

**KOWALSKI
SLICED BACON**
16 oz. Pkg.
2/\$7

**KOEGEL'S
LARGE RING
BOLOGNA**
\$2.49 LB.

**ECKRICH
ALL MEAT FRANKS**
Selected Varieties
1 lb.
2/\$4

**ECKRICH
ALL MEAT BOLOGNA
OR COTTO SALAMI**
Selected Varieties
1 lb.
2/\$4

**KOWALSKI
POLISH KIELBASA
OR SMOKED
SAUSAGE**
1 lb.
2/\$7

**OSCAR MAYER
BASIC
LUNCHABLES**
Selected Varieties
4.5 oz.
3/\$5

**HORMEL NATURAL
THIN SLICED
LUNCHMEATS**
Selected Varieties
4.5 oz.
\$2.99

**LLOYD'S OR
CHI-CHI'S**
Selected Varieties
1 lb.
\$4.99

**MAMA ROSA
PIZZAS**
Deluxe or Pepperoni
25 oz.
BUY ONE GET ONE FREE

**HORMEL
FULLY COOKED
ENTREES**
Selected Varieties
12 oz.
\$5.49

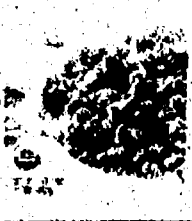
**Lloyd's
Pork**
\$4.99

SPECIALTY & NATURAL FOODS!

**CASCADIAN FARMS
ORGANIC CEREALS**
8.5 - 17 oz.
Selected Varieties

Cascadian Farm
ORGANIC
Oats & Honey
Granola

Cascadian Farm
ORGANIC
Oats & Honey
Granola



**EARTH'S BEST
STRAINED
BABY FOOD**
4 oz.
Selected Varieties



**DAVINCI
PASTA**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties



**AMY'S
CHILI**
14 - 15 oz.
Selected Varieties



**RONZONI
HEALTHY HARVEST
SMART TASTE PASTA**
12 - 14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



**WOLFGANG PUCK
ORGANIC SOUP**
14.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



**MUIR GLEN
SALSA**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties

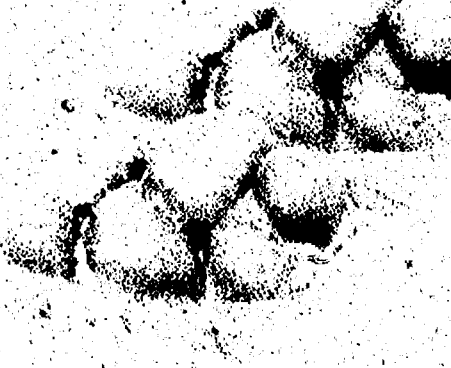


**KETTLE BAKED
CHIPS**
4 oz.
Selected Varieties



FRESH BAKERY!

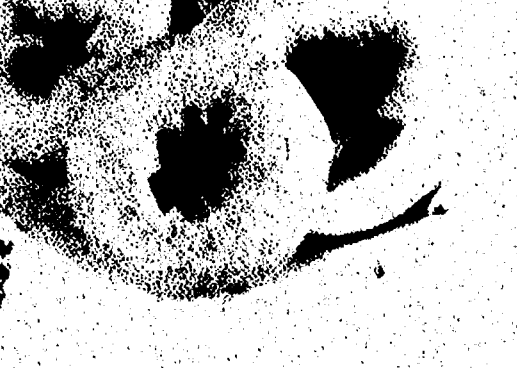
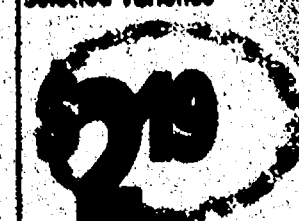
**Fresh Baked
EGG BREAD**
16 oz.



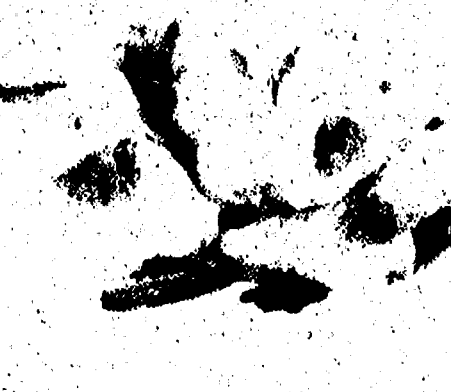
**Fresh Baked
HAMBURGER
BUNS**
8 ct.



**CAKE
DONUTS**
6 ct.
Selected Varieties



**Fresh Baked
TURNOVERS**
4 ct.
Selected Varieties



**LA BREE
CAKES**
8 inch
Selected Varieties



**LOFTHOUSE
NO BAKE
COOKIES**
13.5 oz.
Selected Varieties



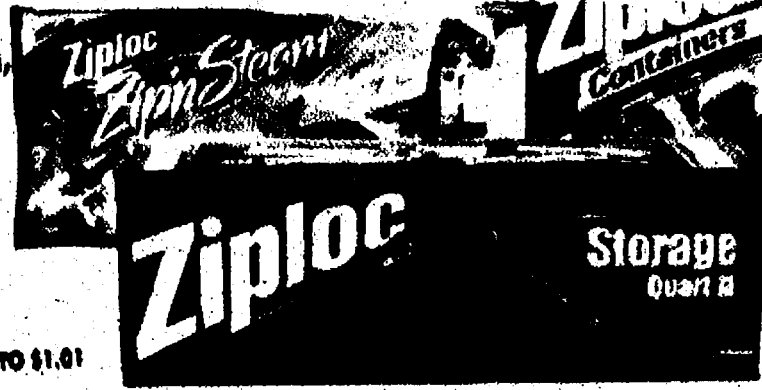
HOME & HEALTH CARE SAVINGS!

ZIPLOC
VACUUM, ZIP & STEAM,
STORAGE OR FREEZER
BAGS & CONTAINERS
2 - 30 ct.

Selected Varieties

\$1.98

SAVE UP TO \$1.01



ANGEL SOFT
BATH TISSUE
6 Double Rolls

\$2.98

LIMIT 2 PLEASE



WINDEX
26 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$1.98

SAVE \$1.51



SCRUBBING BUBBLES
22 oz. Aerosol
Regular or Lemon

\$2.98

SAVE 47¢



PLEDGE
FURNITURE & WOOD
CLEANER & MULTI
SURFACE CLEANERS
9.7 - 12.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$2.98

SAVE \$1.21



GLADE
REFILLS
4.3 - 7.1 oz.
Selected Varieties

\$4.98

SAVE \$1.00 on 2



SPARKLE
PAPER TOWELS
6 - 8 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$5.98

SAVE \$2.37



HUGGIES SUPREME
SNUG & DRY &
PULL UPS
19 - 30 ct. Jumbo Size
Selected Varieties

\$8.98

SAVE \$1.01



PET CARE SAVINGS!

NUNN BETTER
DOG BISCUITS
4 lb. Value Pack
Medium or Large

\$6.98



NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM DRY
DOG FOOD
16 lb.
Selected Varieties

\$5.98

SAVE \$1.32



NUNN BETTER
ORIGINAL DRY
CAT FOOD
16 lb.

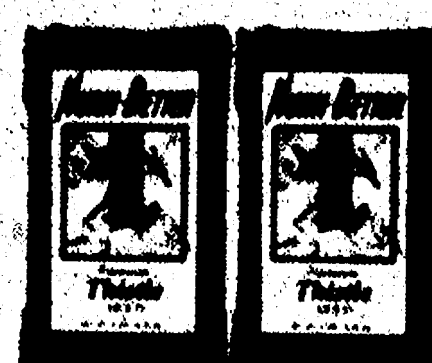
\$7.98

SAVE 97¢



NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM THISTLE
SEED
3 lb.

\$4.98



NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM WILD
BIRD SEED
20 lb.

\$4.98

SAVE 49¢



NUNN BETTER
PREMIUM
SUNFLOWER SEED
10 lb.

\$4.98

SAVE 49¢



SNACK & BEVERAGE SAVINGS!

**ARCHWAY
HOMESTYLE
COOKIES**
6.75 - 10 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.98
SAVE \$2.02 on 2



**OUR FAMILY
SPRING WATER**
24 Pk.

\$2.98
SAVE \$1.52



**JAY'S
POTATO CHIPS**
11 - 11.5 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$3.98
SAVE \$2.52 on 2



**PEPSI-COLA
PRODUCTS**
18 Pk.
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$4.88
SAVE 62¢



**KEEBLER
CHIPS DELUXE
COOKIES**
14.5 - 18 oz.
Selected Varieties

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**NABISCO
OREOS**
5 - 18 oz.
Selected Varieties

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SAVE 79¢



**POWERADE
ISOTONIC
SPORTS DRINK**
32 oz.
Selected Varieties

4/\$2.98
SAVE 73¢ on 4



**MONSTER
ENERGY DRINK**
16 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$2.98
SAVE \$2.02 on 2



**KEEBLER
TOWNHOUSE
CRACKERS**
7.7 - 16 oz.
Selected Varieties

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SAVE \$3.02 on 2



**GRANDE
TORTILLA CHIPS**
13 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98
SAVE \$1.02 on 2



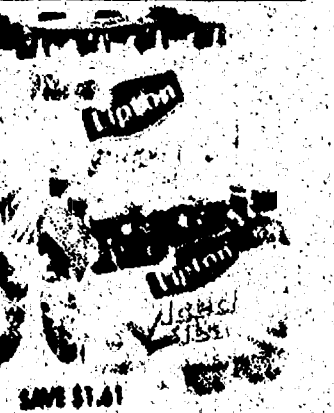
**PEPSI-COLA
PRODUCTS**
8 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles or
6 Pk. 24 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$2.98
SAVE UP TO \$1.02



**LIPTON
TEA**
12 Pk. 16.9 oz. Plastic
Selected Varieties

\$4.98
SAVE \$1.41



**FRITO LAY
DORITOS**
11.5 - 12 oz.
Selected Varieties

2/\$4.98
SAVE \$2.52 on 2



**FRITO LAY
MULTIPACKS**
20 - 22 ct.
Selected Varieties

\$5.98
SAVE \$1.97



**COCA-COLA
PRODUCTS**
12 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

2/\$7.98
SAVE \$1.02 on 2



**7-UP
PRODUCTS**
6 Pk. 1/2 Liter Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

\$1.98



WINE CELLAR

SPIRITS

DOUBLE DOG DARE WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

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SAVE \$2.00 on 2



LEELANAU CELLAR WINTER WHITE
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$4.99
SAVE \$1.52



FAYGO MIXERS
1 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus deposit)

79¢
SAVE 21¢



V-8
6 Pt. 3 qt. Cans or
46 oz. Bottle
Selected Varieties

2\$5
SAVE UP TO \$2.00 on 2



BAREFOOT CELLARS CALIFORNIAN WINE
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$4.99
SAVE \$2.97



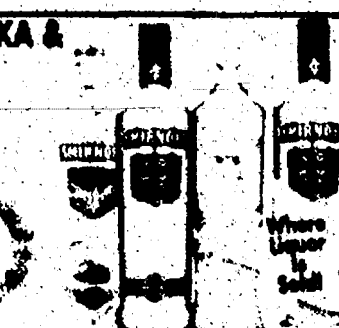
SUTTER HOME WINES
1.5 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$7.99
SAVE \$1.97



SMIRNOFF VODKA & VODKA TWISTS
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$9.99



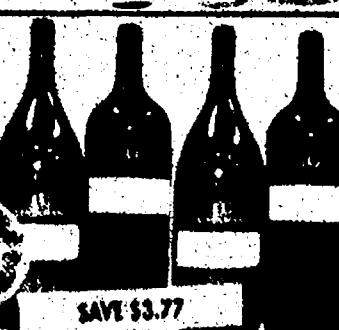
KETEL ONE VODKA OR TANQUERAY GIN
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$19.97



LINDEMAN'S WINES
1.5 Liter
All Varieties
(plus tax)

\$8.99
SAVE \$3.77



MENAGE A TROIS RED & WHITE WINE
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$8.99
SAVE \$2.52



CANADIAN MIST
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$11.99



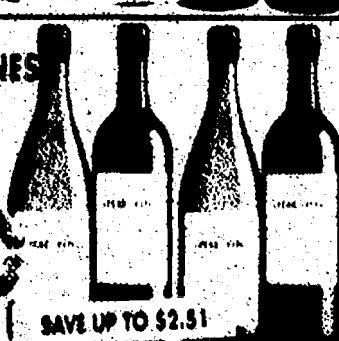
SOUTHERN COMFORT
750 ml
(plus tax)

\$15.99



LEESE FITCH CALIFORNIA WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$8.99
SAVE UP TO \$2.51



IGOR LARIONOV TRIPLE OVERTIME WINES
750 ml
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$14.99
SAVE \$8.01



CAPTAIN MORGAN SPICED RUM
1.75 Liter
Selected Varieties
(plus tax)

\$19.97



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750 ml
(plus tax)

\$16.99



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MICHIGAN BREW CRAFT BEER
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

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SAVE \$1.26



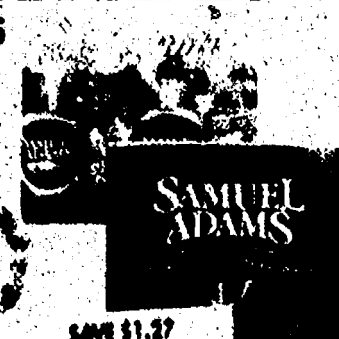
SHORTS HUMA IPA, BRECKENRIDGE VAN PORTER & LION STOUT
6 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$8.99
SAVE \$1.11



SAMUEL ADAMS BEER
12 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.99
SAVE \$1.27



HEINEKEN, CORONA PACIFICO & RED STRIPES
12 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.49
SAVE UP TO \$2.01



BUDWEISER OR MICHELOB ULTRA
20 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$12.99
SAVE 50¢



MILLER, COORS LIGHT & LABATT
18 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$11.49
SAVE 50¢



MILLER HIGH LIFE SPECIAL
24 Pk. 12 oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
(plus tax & deposit)

\$11.99
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30 Pk. 12 oz. Cans
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Dole WHOLE CARROTS

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SAVE 48¢ /EA.

New Crop GREEN CABBAGE

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SAVE 61¢ /LB.

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58¢ /LB.



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