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Photo by Daniel Lai

Mike Jackson, president of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, presents Patti Schwarz and Deb Greer with the chamber's 2010 Small Business Leadership Award.



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Mike Jackson, president of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, presents Roberts Paint & Body with the chamber's Large Business Leadership Award.

Chamber honors local businesses

**Roberts Paint & Body,
River Gallery receive
accolades for service**

By Daniel Lai

Heritage Newspapers

Two well-known local establishments received kudos for their service to the community during the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting Feb. 18 at the Chelsea Comfort Inn.

Roberts Paint & Body, Inc. and the River Gallery were awarded the large and small business leadership awards respectively.

"Roberts Paint & Body, Inc. does a wonderful job taking

care of the community during times when we're not happy," CACC president Mike Jackson said.

Roberts Paint & Body, Inc. has been serving the Chelsea area since 1975. In 2001, resident Matt Mason joined in partnership with the Roberts family and brought fresh new and innovative ideas to the business. Mason's wife, Tammy, joined the company in 2005 as the coordinator for direct repair insurance programs. Mason's twin brother Marty is the shop manager.

"The tradition of a local family run business continues to this day with this very successful company," CACC executive director Bob Pierce said. "They are a business that quietly performs a vital service for a cus-

tomers base that extends beyond the Chelsea area to Washtenaw and Jackson counties. Their business is built upon superior quality and stellar customer service."

"A trademark of Roberts Paint & Body is the smile on the faces of the region of their satisfied customers. This very skillful staff guides you through an experience that often begins as a result of an unexpected accident, but ends with customers thanking them for their expertise, caring attitude and individual attention. They often go well beyond the expectations of their clients to help them secure car rentals when their car is damaged in an accident."

U.S. Rep. Mark Schauer, D-Dist. 7, presented the company

with a certificate of special congressional recognition.

"When I hear about Roberts Paint & Body, I think of a local family committed to helping other local families," he said. "In tough economic times like these, I can't think of anything more important."

Pierce said Roberts provides residents with the opportunity to have major repairs done locally, saving time and money.

"They also operate an immaculate business, one that reflects a business that is of the highest quality and integrity," he said. "Throughout the years and expanded upon by the Mason family, Roberts Paint & Body have been loyal members of our chamber of commerce. They consistently support our programs, events and mission

of the chamber. They are very generous with their donations and participation in our events."

"In addition to employing a staff of 20 local residents, they give generously of their time and money for several of the area's functions. Cancer walks and Chelsea Unlimited are just a few of the community events where you find the supportive and smiling faces of the staff of Roberts Paint & Body."

Washtenaw County Commissioner Mark Oujmet said the company is "a shining example" to other entrepreneurs.

"It's the actions that you do," he said. "It's the actions that make you successful."

Chelsea Mayor Jason Lindauer said he has had personal experience with Roberts

Paint & Body and praised the company for its friendly service.

"All of us have a great story about having to take our car to a body shop," he said. "But when

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ON THE WEB



VIDEO: Chelsea Mayor Jason Lindauer talks about the River Gallery
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Homecoming

String Cheese to perform benefit concert

By Daniel Lai

Heritage Newspapers

String Cheese, a locally-based duo is giving a home-town concert to raise money for victims of the earthquake in Haiti. The concert will take place March 5 at the St. Paul United Church of Christ in Chelsea.

String Cheese features

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Diana
Radio
on
fiddle

and Ali Haraburda on cello. With their feel-good melodies and foot-stomping, rock-influenced rhythms, the duo has put a fresh, enticing spin on Celtic music.

"We're excited to be back in Chelsea," Radio said. "The local residents have been so supportive of us, it's the least we can do."

Radio is a 2005 Chelsea High School and Chelsea House Orchestra alumni.



Submitted photo

Chelsea High School alumna Diana Radio will perform a concert with the band String Cheese to benefit the Red Cross.

String Cheese has been playing gigs and festivals all around the state but has not performed in Chelsea for over a year.

"A lot of people have been

asking when are we going to play another show in Chelsea?" Radio said. "My mom has been a big advocate for a hometown show and her

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Board adopts deficit plan

**District plans closure
of Pierce Lake school
beginning next year**

By Crystal Hayduk

Special Writer

With one member absent, the Chelsea School District Board of Education voted unanimously on Monday to adopt its "deficit reduction plan." Although a few minor details must still be worked out, the basic plan is now in place.

Pierce Lake Elementary School will close beginning with the 2010-11 school year.

North Creek will remain kindergarten through second grade, students in third through fifth grade will attend South Meadows, and students in sixth through eighth grade will attend Beach Middle School.

The building closure will save at least \$400,000 a year in operating costs. Superintendent David Killips said that it would not be difficult to re-open the building when conditions

There will be a slight increase in class size, with a reduction in the teaching staff of 10 full-time equivalent positions to save \$550,000.

"Pay to participate" will be incorporated. A sub-committee will determine how much students will be expected to contribute and what activities the payment will cover.

Some programs that currently reside at the Washington Street Education Center will be moved to alternate locations. The transportation budget will be cut by 10 percent to save \$130,000. Some administrative positions may be contracted if possible. Full details on these items were not yet available.

The district will be working on wage concessions and adjustments. The target savings in this category is \$750,000. It is expected the district will cut \$30,000 from the music department; however, at this point the fifth grade instrumental program will remain intact.

Other changes include decreasing general fund allocations to athletics and modifying specials at the elementary level.

The board will keep programs such as full-time kinder-

garten, trimesters, Advanced Placement classes, vocational education, and fine arts at the high school, team teaching at Beach Middle School, and the Reading Apprenticeship Program.

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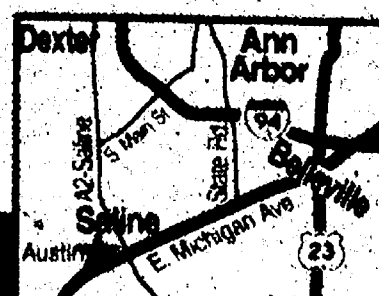
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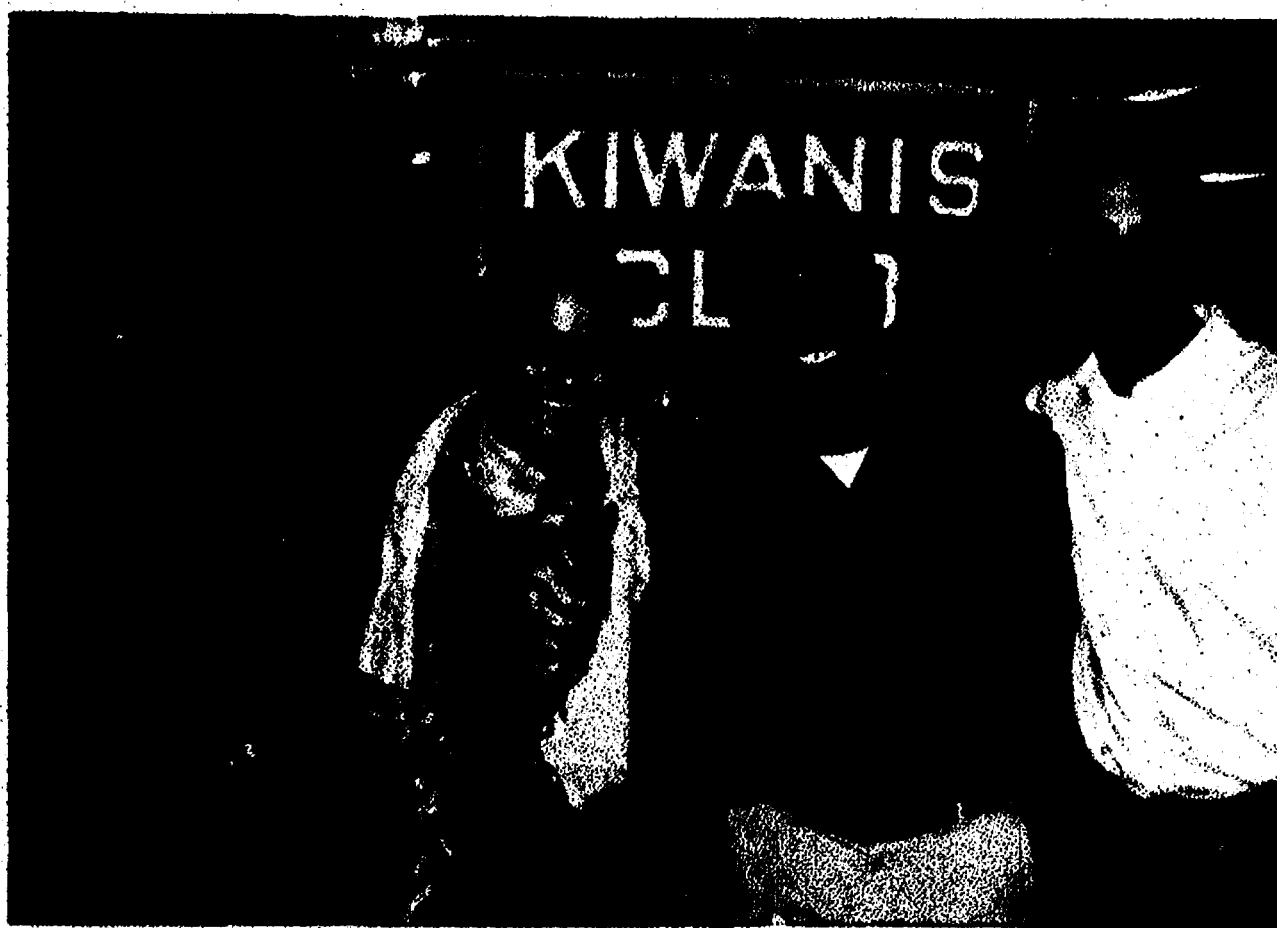
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KIWANIS NEWS

Charles Coleman of Dawn Farms was the guest speaker at a recent Kiwanis Club of Chelsea meeting. Joining Coleman from Dawn Farms was Andrea Gannon and Chris Morrow. Pictured (from left to right) are Kiwanian Costas Kleanthous, Gannon, Coleman and Morrow.

AWARD

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you come and see the Mason family, all of your worries go out the door."

River Gallery co-owners Patti Schwarz and Deb Greer were also honored for their contributions to the Chelsea community. "We need more smart people and knowledge-based businesses like the River Gallery to attract more people to our communities," Schauer said. "Businesses like the River Gallery are what make Chelsea 'cool' and keep the community alive and moving."

River Gallery began in 2000, in a modest second floor location in downtown Chelsea. Greer joined Schwarz in 2003. After the successful launch of the business in that location, they decided to move the gallery to another location in Chelsea.

They directed an ambitious remodeling effort at their current location, 120 S. Main St. in downtown Chelsea. The remodeled storefront opened to the public in November 2003. "The gallery has received national attention for its outstanding exhibits and shows. Locally, the gallery adds an eclectic dimension to our

vibrant downtown by hosting regular exhibitions and openings, local events, numerous community activities, and even weddings. Their presence defines the arts destination element of Chelsea," Pierce said.

River Gallery was contacted by General Motors to host the press day for the Pontiac G6. The event brought General Motors executives, international press and car moguls to Chelsea for a daylong celebration.

"Their leadership in our community reaches far beyond the skillful management of their art gallery. River Gallery is one of the business partners of the Chamber who step up to meet our challenges to improve the community," Pierce said. "Patti and Deb are original members of the steering committee who breathed life into the vision for our highly successful 'Sounds and Sights on Thursday Nights' entertainment program. Leadership on the steering committee to deliver water to the performers is typical of the roll up your sleeves' attitude of the gallery and their staff."

"River Gallery is a key partner in the development and implementation of the outstanding Sculpture Walk Chelsea project. They coordinate the call for artists and

design the brochure and map for this project. Patti serves on the Downtown Development Authority. In that capacity, she has generously donated her time to design our information kiosk maps and managed the project for our beautiful new LED holiday lighting project for the downtown."

Quimet praised the women for paving the way for entrepreneurs.

"You aren't just entrepreneurs, you are women entrepreneurs in a challenging time," he said. "You are role models for the arts community and other businesses."

Michigan's House Speaker Pro Tempore Pam Byrnes also presented the businesses with a certificate of recognition.

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BOARD

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Board President Laurel McDevitt expressed her regrets regarding the school closure. She said that as a parent and a board member she did not like to see Pierce Lake close.

"I thought about the fact that it was either the building or the programs. I think our children will be better served with the brick and mortar foundation of the educational programming than with the brick and mortar of the building," McDevitt said.

Killips said that with declining enrollment and decreased foundation grant money, the need for reductions at the local level is inevitable.

"Our legislators are begging people to contact them," he said. "Please tell Lansing that children are your No. 1 priority because right now the (state) funding isn't showing that children are their priority."

Legislator contact information will be posted on the Chelsea School District Web site at www.chelseask12.mi.us.

Board member Steve Olsen commented that a march on the Capitol to show school support will take place on March 10 at 1:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

In other action:

The school board approved the bid to construct previously planned bleachers for the high school soccer field with funds from the 2004 bond. Bond funds are permitted for use only for capital improvements.

Board member Rob Turner expressed commendations to the National Merit finalists, who have the distinction of scoring in the top 1 percent of students nationwide on the PSAT exam. The students are Diana Bach, Cameron Beatty, Olivia DeTroyer, Kate Lewis-Lakin, Viktor Rozsa and Tristan Weber.

Upcoming events:

CONCERT

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birthday is coming up, so this kind of a present for her as well."

Wesley Fritzmeier, another CHS and CHO alumni, will join the group for several songs on percussion.

"We've got a lot of good music that we'll be performing," Ladio said. "It's a mix of original tunes and classic Celtic music."

The concert takes place at 7 p.m. March 5. St. Paul's is just east of the Chelsea Wellness Center. There will be a reception after to greet the performers.

There is no formal admission for the concert, but donations for Haiti relief are requested. Proceeds will go to the American Red Cross.

"We've chosen the Red Cross because they've really been leading the way with relief for Haiti," Ladio said. "We wanted to make sure that the donations were going to an organization that could really use it."

For more information, contact Joanne Ladio at jladio21@comcast.net or 1-734-475-7612.

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A2 Express provides transportation option

By Daniel Lai

Since the early 1950s, public transportation has largely been ignored by major metropolitan cities. However, according to a 2009 report released by the American Public Transportation Association, that trend is changing.

Americans hopped on buses, subways and commuter rails more last year amid record-high gas prices and drove less on the nation's highways.

One such transportation service, the A2 Express, which is still in its infancy, has a growing ridership in the Chelsea area.

The Ann Arbor Transportation Authority launched the service in May 2008 with funding support from state and federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Grants.

The service caters to those who work or commute to Ann Arbor throughout the week

and want to cut down on their driving. Riders can park at the Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea, Independence Park in Webster Township or Cherry Hill Village in Canton and catch the bus to Ann Arbor.

For those traveling from Chelsea, there are two morning bus options at 6:08 and 7:30 a.m. The bus will drop off passengers at one of several locations in downtown Ann Arbor, including Huron Street at Main Street, Washington Street between Fifth Avenue and Division Street, Huron Street between Division Street and Fifth Avenue, the University of Michigan Central Campus at Washington Street between Thayer Street and Fletcher Street, the University of Michigan Health System Cardiovascular Center, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital entrance, U of M Hospital's main entrance and the U of M Cancer Center.

The bus has two return routes in the afternoon that bring passengers back to the Arctic Coliseum at either 4:15 p.m. or 5:45 p.m.

This is a great service for people who work in Ann Arbor," state Rep. Pam Byrnes, D-52nd District, said. "It's the best way to travel. It's healthier, relieves traffic congestion and allows people to unwind after a long day of work."

It's also a source of camaraderie for these people. The ones who ride the bus every day get to know each other and develop a common bond.

The service is relatively cheap, too.

A monthly "commuter pass" gives the owner unlimited rides on both A2Express routes and cost \$125. Employees of the University of Michigan can provide proof of employment and purchase the pass for \$62.50 at the U of M Parking Sales Office or U of M Hospital Cashier's Office. Roughly 500 other downtown Ann Arbor businesses offer the "go/pass" program, which offers riders a 50 percent discount.

The A2 Express also offers a \$40 10-ride pass or riders can opt out of a pass and pay the standard rate of \$5 per ride.

Cynthia Silveri of Chelsea said she has been using the service for the past seven months. "I stumbled upon it by accident," she said. "I rode it and I fell in love with it."

"It gives me time to exercise, sleep, knit or do whatever I want. Basically, it gives me two hours of my day back that would be otherwise spent driving."

Silveri said she has also felt the effects of using the service on her health.

"I can get in a 15-minute walk twice a day now," she said. "It's a big difference."

Chelsea resident Paul DeSousa said using the service has also saved him money.

"The cost of your insurance goes down because you aren't driving so much, and you can



State Rep. Pam Byrnes, D-District 52, greets riders of the A2Express at the Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea.

save on the normal wear and tear on your car," he said.

DeSousa said he is also glad the service provides a "guaranteed ride home" clause for riders. In the event a passenger misses the bus, the AATA will reimburse passengers for the cost of a cab ride back to the Arctic Coliseum, Independence Park or any destination within a 2-mile radius of the main locations.

"You can't get stranded in Ann Arbor if you miss the evening bus," Chelsea resident Thomas Knox said.

Despite interest in the A2 Express, coordinator Michael Benham said the number of riders is not where it needs to be to keep the service going.

"The original grant was for two years. This year, we are looking at ways to keep the service going, but to scale down on cost," he said.

One of the options would be dropping the AATA's current contract with Indian Trails Bus Service to use a charter bus.

"We are considering using our own bus," he said. "It might not be as luxurious, but it could represent significant cost savings for us."

Benham said discussions will continue during the coming months with changes in the service expected by May.

"Our federal funding runs out in May, so we will have to come up with an alternative," he said.

Though the AATA board of directors will ultimately decide on whether to continue the service, Benham said he is positive about the future of the

A2 Express.

DeSousa said he hopes others will take advantage of the program.

"We live near Detroit, which was the auto capital of the world. There is a tremendous resistance to public transportation that Michigan still has to overcome," he said. "The bus isn't for everyone, but I wonder if people stop and think of the implications of not using public transportation."

"We need to think of practical ways of commuting to work."

Christian Martin, a mother with two young children, said the bus is beneficial because she can catch up on sleep.

"It gives me some time to rest and let someone else concentrate on driving," she said. "It's a great service."

Benham said Chelsea was chosen as one of the service's waypoints because of its proximity to Ann Arbor.

"We chose Chelsea to demonstrate the viability of an express-type service. We had to look outside the boundaries of Ann Arbor," he said. "This is our first long-distance express service. If it proves successful, I'm sure there are other places it can be applied."

Riders on the A2 Express are devoted to the service and have taken on the responsibility of a public service campaign to spread the word and increase ridership.

The group, known as The Transiteers, has launched a fan page on Facebook with information about the service. For more information, visit



Passengers on the A2Express talk with state Rep. Pam Byrnes, D-52nd District, about the prospect of more state funding for public transit systems.

www.facebook.com/transiteers. The group has also distributed information pamphlets in Chelsea, Manchester, Stockbridge, Grass Lake and other parts of the county.

"We love using it and we

don't want it to go away," Knox said.

For more information about the A2 Express service, visit www.a2express.org.

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Effort to help homeless students

Feed the Children, a nonprofit known for its international relief work, will come to Ann Arbor March 4 to deliver 900 backpacks and snack packs for this region's homeless students.

"Ann Arbor is known for its excellent health care, education and culture, but people are really hurting here, too," said Education Project Program Manager Peri Stone-Palmquist in a news release.

The Education Project is based at the Washtenaw Intermediate School District and helps students who are homeless or in transition enroll, attend and succeed in school. The students served are age birth through 21 and live in shelters, motels, temporary foster care placements, abandoned homes, cars and doubled up temporarily with friends or family.

"In our county, we are serving more than 450 students living in homeless and temporary situations, a 50 percent increase over last year at this time. These backpacks and snack packs will be a huge help," Stone-Palmquist said.

Feed the Children will first deliver

900 backpacks to the Flint area and then come to the Washtenaw Intermediate School District at 1 p.m. to deliver 900 more.

These will be divided among school districts in Washtenaw, Livingston, Lenawee, Monroe, Jackson and western Wayne counties.

H.E.L.P. Homeless Education and Literacy Program, an outreach program of Feed the Children, partnered with the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth to distribute backpacks to children in need.

Through a partnership with SchoolKids and Staples, Feed the Children distributed 100,000 backpacks across the nation during the 2008-2009 school year and plans to distribute 120,000 in 2009-2010 school year.

"Our backpack distribution program, in conjunction with our other education and nutrition programs, allows us to reach the whole person—nourishing both the minds and bodies of impoverished children," said Tony Sellars, spokesman for Feed the

Children.

"Today, Ann Arbor has shown its dedication to this same mission of caring for the physical, emotional and educational needs of its smallest citizens."

Stone-Palmquist contacted Feed the Children this past fall when she read about the organization's backpack program. At the time, they could not accommodate any more requests, but the Education Project was put on the list for future consideration.

"I was thrilled to hear back from them and hear how much they could help our region," Stone-Palmquist said.

Several volunteers will help unload the backpacks, including a classroom at Honey Creek Community School. Once divided up, the backpacks will find homes with students across the region.

"I am so glad that I became a volunteer of such a great project and have the opportunity to help these children in some way," said Education Project volunteer Judy Coleman. "It has really opened my eyes to the many needs of these children."

Beth McCullough, Lenawee County

Homeless Education coordinator, said she is often struck by how much students in homeless situations appreciate this kind of assistance.

"I gave a student a new backpack, and the child said, 'Look, Mom, this one doesn't have duct tape on it!'" she recalled.

Michigan experienced a 92 percent increase in the number of homeless students reported between the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 school year, said Pam Kies-Lowe, the state Homeless Education consultant.

In the September 2009 count, public schools reported nearly 10,000 students were homeless as they started the current school year.

"This generous contribution of school supplies will go a long way toward meeting some critical needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness," said Kies-Lowe. "Having the necessary school supplies, a backpack and books to read can bring a student a much needed sense of normalcy and consistency in a period of upheaval and uncertainty."

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Students of Lambs of Our Savior Christian Preschool show off the hats they decorated after hearing the story "The Hat" by Jan Brett. Pictured are (back row) Connor, Thomas, Owen, Caroline, Anna. (Front row) Keegan, Jonah, Carter, Emily and Abby.

Foundation launches Web site

The Chelsea-Area Wellness Foundation has launched its new Web site, www.5healthytowns.org, designed and developed by DesignHub, Inc. of Saline.

CWF is an organization supporting local projects that help to create a culture of wellness and foster sustainable improvements in community health in the area including the school districts of Chelsea, Dexter, Grass Lake, Manchester and Stockbridge.

CHELSEA

The new site details CWF's vision and mission, its history, program and funding sources. Site visitors can learn the foundation's grant policies and get tips for applying for grants. The site also provides brief profiles of CWF's board members.

Other site features include the latest news from the CWF, a blog and information on how to contribute to CWF.

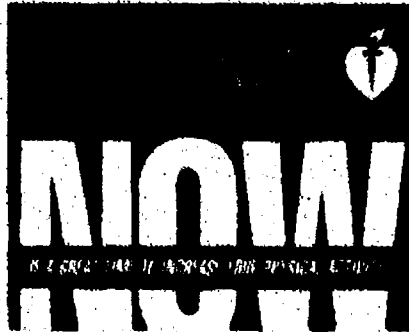
DesignHub worked with CWF to plan and design the new site, then handled its programming, build-out, testing and launch.

The site has been built over

DesignHub's ContentHub content management system, which allows designated CWF personnel to make day-to-day updates to the site's variable content themselves.

The Chelsea-Area Wellness Foundation provides grant funding to non-profit organizations for programs that help residents eat better, move more, avoid unhealthy substances and connect with others in healthy ways. In 2010, the foundation will focus its grant funding on programs that target youth, young adults and young families.

CWF is a private, tax-exempt foundation governed by a volunteer board of directors. Its creation resulted from the recent merger of Chelsea Community Hospital with St. Joseph Mercy Health System.



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Knights help local families

As the winter rages on, local Blessed Louis Guanella Knights of Columbus Council 3092 in Chelsea has raised and distributed funds needed to provide new winter coats for youth, and blankets for Detroit homeless shelters.

Member Bud Ripberger spearheaded the local "Coats for Kids" drive. Through his efforts, the council was able to provide 20 brand new winter coats, to be distributed to impoverished children.

"Bud did a great job in stepping up to cover this vital program," said Grand Knight Greg DeGraff.

The Chelsea Council was also able to provide funds for the purchase of a similar number of blankets. Late in 2009, the St. Vincent Catholic Charities sent out an urgent call for blankets to be distributed through its homeless shelter

ministry. Council 3092 provided a \$300 donation, helping the The Michigan State Council reach its goal of 1,000 blankets.

"Ask and it shall be given," quoted DeGraff. "Our members are always ready to assist those in need. Our ability to help provide blankets and coats are just two examples of the Knight's charity at work." Council 3092 obtains funds for its charitable works through various fundraisers. The largest and most recognized fundraisers are the Lenten Fish Fries.

"For the first six Fridays in Lent, the public is welcome to come to St. Mary's parish hall to enjoy the best fish fry in the area," DeGraff said.

The first fish fry will be at 5

p.m. Feb. 26. Both dine-in and take-out are available. Another popular fundraiser is the annual campaign for the mentally impaired, or the "Tootsie Roll Drive." As in the past, on Palm Sunday weekend (March 26-28), the Knights will collect funds for those with special needs and distribute

Tootsie Rolls.

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization of Catholic men, based on the principles of unity, fraternity and charity.

Worldwide the order has over 1.7 million members. The Blessed Louis Guanella Council 3092 in Chelsea has a current membership exceeding 200.

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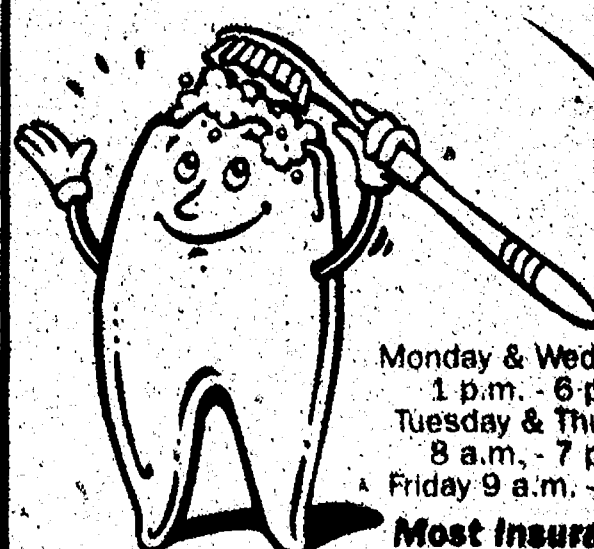


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EDITORIAL

Our policy

It is our policy to run all local letters to the editor that deal with local issues and are not personal attacks. Writers must provide a name, address and phone number.

WEB VIEWS

County officials work together to solve issues

If you listen carefully as this election year heats up, you'll notice that every politician loves to say these five words: "I work across the aisle."

It sounds good, doesn't it? It sounds like everybody wants to join hands and do what's best for constituents.

The thing is, anyone can say anything they want. That's easy. But I actually have worked across the aisle. And I know firsthand how difficult it is.

A bi-partisan effort requires putting aside the ego and party politics. It requires staying focused on the issues, and remembering that resolving issues isn't for the benefit of one side or the other. It's for the benefit of all Michigan residents.

Last year, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was faced with a huge task. We had to reduce the 2010-2011 budget by \$30 million.

It was a process that lasted all spring, summer and fall. But we were able to bring people together from all levels of government to resolve a very complex issue.

We held 15 public forums with all county

OTHER VOICES



MARK QUIMET

employees invited to get their input.

I attended every one, helping employees understand how we got to where we were and, more importantly, listening to where they thought we should be headed.

We worked with our union partners to understand their position regarding the reductions, knowing we had to look at ways to reduce the county costs for personnel, which makes up more than 60 percent of the general fund budget.

Were some people angry? Yes. Any time you're talking about change, there's a high level of emotion. That's understandable.

Together, we looked at common goals. We asked: How best can we use the money available to accomplish the most for the most?

There was a sense of urgency, but we rose to the challenge. And we came up with a workable process that led to an outcome of a balanced budget we passed in a unanimous 11-0 decision.

We're charged to balance the budget and

provide the services, and we did both of those things.

Meanwhile, there was no interruption of services to county residents. We now continue to have policing throughout Washtenaw County.

As another example of government efficiency, we've been able to combine governmental services throughout the county to better leverage the assets and lower the costs to the governmental units.

I've spent a lot of time throughout the district listening to what constituents want.

I don't put myself ahead of the issue. It isn't about Mark. It's about the outcome. I have a proven track record of being able to understand what people are thinking and how they feel about specific things in order to find like ground.

Instead of working from the negative, I have found it more productive to work from the positive.

And I never forget that before we are Republicans or Democrats, we are residents of Washtenaw County and the state of Michigan.

Mark Quimet is vice chairman of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners.

OUR TAKE: Editorial

Give new law stronger teeth

Michigan lawmakers have taken a step toward prohibiting the use of cell phones to send or read text messages while driving.

Unfortunately, it was not a big enough step to prevent the hundreds of accidents caused by the high-tech action that seems to addict and possess many drivers. Some people are so attracted to the functions that they are almost in an unbreakable hypnotic trance when using them.

The Republican-led Senate passed two bills by 31-6 votes that make texting a secondary offense, which means police would need another reason to pull over motorists — such as speeding or careless driving — before they could be cited for texting.

That simply doesn't make sense. If the goal is to prevent accidents, police should have the authority to pull over anyone who is seen texting while driving.

"We must make this a real law, not just perfume on a pig," said Sen. Bruce Patterson, a Republican from Canton Township who sponsored an amendment that would have made texting a primary offense.

The amendment was narrowly defeated and we can't figure out why.

Research conducted by the Allstate Foundation reveals that 82 percent of teen drivers admit to using their cell phones, while 49 percent admit to texting while driving. In addition, Allstate officials say texting while driving increases the chances of an accident by 23 times.

AAA Michigan, which services more than 1.6 million Michigan residents, also favors a tougher law.

"AAA Michigan strongly supports a text-messaging ban and we continue to work in hopes of it being passed as a primary enforcement offense," AAA Michigan Traffic Safety Manager Jack Peet said in a prepared press release.

AAA clubs nationwide are campaigning to pass laws in all 50 states to ban drivers from text messaging. Currently, 19 states and the District of Columbia have such laws.

Even TV icon Oprah Winfrey has started a program asking people to pledge not to text and drive.

The pledge, found online, reads: "I pledge to make my car a No Phone Zone. Beginning right now, I will do my part to help put an end to distracted driving by not texting or using my phone while I am driving. I will ask other drivers I know to do the same. I pledge to make a difference."

It already has had almost 100,000 people throughout the United States taking the pledge.

Yet, back in here Michigan, lawmakers continue to argue that making texting a secondary offense is proper, noting in particular that failure to wear a seat belt was a secondary offense before becoming a primary offense.

"It's an evolutionary process," Sen. Buzz Thomas, D-Detroit, told The Associated Press.

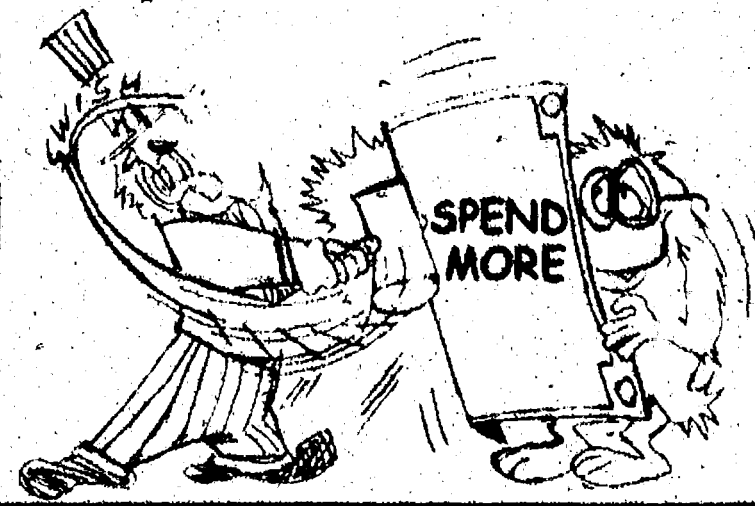
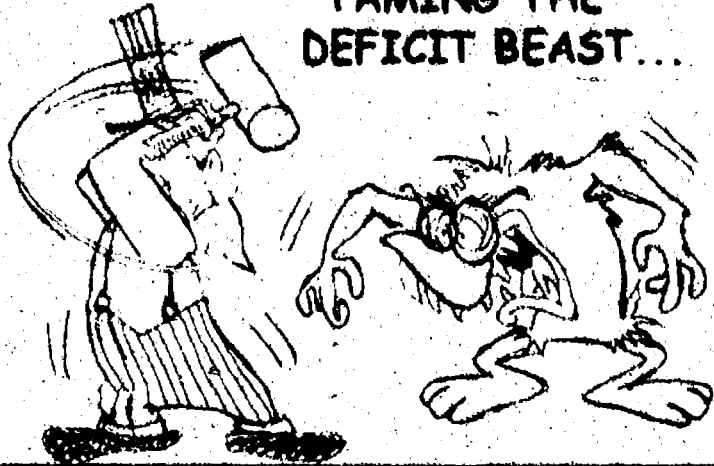
We disagree. Saving lives is not an evolutionary process.

It's just common-sense for people not to text or use their cell phones while driving, yet too many individuals don't use common sense.

It's a shame we have to add to the volumes of state laws, but for the protection of the general driving public, it's necessary.

We hope that the House and Senate continue to work on the legislation and make the texting ban a primary offense.

TAMING THE DEFICIT BEAST...



TO BE CONTINUED...



Will Tea Party threaten GOP opportunities? Stay tuned

America, they say, is a red and blue country divided between Democrats and Republicans. Now there is an unfolding civil war within the Grand Old Party that threatens to marginalize it.

Even though the re-election bid of U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., appears to have little to do with politics around these parts, think again. The impact could be huge.

The Tea Party crowd has joined with conservative radio talk show host J.D. Hayworth and are attacking McCain for not being conservative enough.

In fact, they blast McCain for being "an incumbent who calls himself a maverick but in fact is a moderate" who is "teaming with Democrats on key issues," said Hayworth, who is running against McCain in the GOP primary. He could win.

What is this country coming to — a lawmaker has the audacity to be moderate and team with the other party to get things done in Washington?

Here's the dirty little secret the Tea Party gang has apparently missed: The vast majority of residents in red and blue states actually want the leaders from both parties to cooperate.

Imagine that!

Pity poor Sarah Palin. When she isn't writing notes to herself, she is taking Tea Party jumps for working to elect McCain, her old running mate.

Are you listening, Michigan Republicans?

There is a Tea Party movement in this state, too, and who knows what incumbent they may take on for being too "moderate" and "teaming" with the other side?

State GOP Chairman Ron Weiser late last month was rather sanguine about the Tea Party attacks, suggesting that it was not an "organized movement that e-mails each other back and forth."

Asked if it was OK for them to go after McCain, he advised, "They can go after whoever they want," but added, "I don't think John McCain has any different view than they do."

Obviously Weiser, back then, was clueless because he also noted he didn't think the TP gang was focused on booting McCain out of office.

Weiser concluded that the movement here "is not going to affect our elections in Michigan."

So much for that.

But what if the Michigan GOP shows up at a convention with a slate of candidates for statewide offices and the Tea Party folks find them to be too "moderate" and too willing to "team" with the other side?

Or what if they go after incumbent legislative Republicans who have demonstrated the same malady?

Will Weiser and company sit back and let the minority take over or will he stand up and confront them, thus producing an ugly headline?

"Mainstream GOP hijacked by Tea Party fringe?"

Please recall such an incendiary battle years ago when the "Pat Robertson for President" gaggle refused to make nice with the Michigan GOP leadership, which supported George H. Bush for president. Robertson's followers argued, Bush was not conservative enough for them.

Sound familiar?

If it happened once, surely it could happen again and a divided GOP going into the fall elections is an answer to a prayer from Michigan Democrats who desperately need a little political help from somewhere this election cycle.

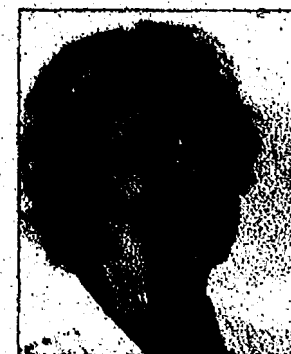
Tim Skubick hosts the TV show "Off The Record" and blogs regularly at www.thenewsherald.com

GUEST COLUMN



TIM SKUBICK

HOME FRONT



LISA ALLMENDINGER

I've been doing a lot of food reading lately. As part of the Great Diet of 2010 — which is going very well, in case you were wondering — I'm trying to learn all I can about food.

Canned food, fresh food, frozen food, the food supply, nutritious food, non-nutritious food — if it involves food, I'm devouring it.

Simply put, I find the subject of our food supply — and the farmers who grow it — pretty fascinating. Since I live in a farming community, I have a bird's-eye view or perhaps an as-the-crow-flies view of it.

So, between choosing which recipes to prepare, using as many local ingredients as possible from the Ann Arbor Farmers' Market, local farmers and various grocery stores, I read.

For people who haven't read it, I've embarked on a "Lisa and Betty" blog project at www.A2Journal.com using Betty Crocker's 10th edition cookbook.

It was inspired, of course, by reading the book "Julie and Julia," by Julie Powell, who cooked her way through "Mastering the Art of French Cooking." Then she wrote about it and her book was turned into a movie.

Hmm.

I like French food once in a while, but not that much. Besides, I'm not a very good cook, so I needed something simple to use as my guide.

I chose Betty Crocker because, well, didn't everyone grow up with a Betty Crocker cookbook in their homes?

I was disappointed to find out through my food reading that

she wasn't even a real person.

I've read Michael Pollan's "Food Rules, An Eater's Manual," which has served as the single biggest factor in my weight loss. If everyone followed his food rules, there would be a whole lot fewer fat people in the world.

Along the way, I picked up a book of short food stories edited by Jenni Ferrari-Adler of Ann Arbor. The book

focuses on what people cook for themselves when they're by themselves.

It's a situation with which I'm intimately familiar: I have several other titles that I haven't gotten to yet, but Ferrari-Adler's "Alone in the Kitchen with an Eggplant," grabbed my attention because of, well, its title.

As I prepare to join the growing ranks of people who will buy a share of Community Supported Agriculture, otherwise known as a CSA, one of the fresh produce items I'll receive this summer is eggplant. I have no idea how to cook it, so I thought perhaps this book might serve as inspiration.

With all the food reading I've been doing lately, you would think I'd be constantly racing to the fridge for nourishment, but that has not been the case. Maybe reading about food, rather than consuming it, is the missing piece of the diet puzzle. Perhaps I should write a book about it.

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Submitted photo

Nancy Harris, Lindsay Bacon, Jeanne McLaughlin, Phyllis Kalmbach, Delores Marks, Stephanie Swider and Nancy Schutze show off their quilt they donated to Hearts Community Services.

Quilters donate time to charity

Chelsea residents Phyllis Kalmbach, Stephanie Swider, Delores Marks, and Nancy Schutze recently donated a handmade quilt to Hearts

Community Services. Nancy Harris of Hearts Community Services accepted the quilt on behalf of the organization. The Chelsea Senior Center offers crafts every Tuesday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The types of crafts vary, but are always

donated to organizations in need. The senior center also provides woodcarving, knitting, computer club, cards and games, daily lunches, and other activities for people over 50 years of age. For more informa-

tion, call 1-734-475-9242. Hearts Community Services is a non-denominational organization that provides free services to members of the community. For information, call 433-1101.

CCA launches campaign

The Chelsea Center for the Arts is asking for help to "ban the beige" from their walls and make a splash with a fresh, new paint job. Volunteers are needed for the process. "We hope to refresh the look and feel of the building to line up with the new logo. Web site and landscaping improvements we implemented last year. Our goal is to have the look of our organization match the way it feels to be a part of the CCA - creative and vibrant," board president Leslie Sarel, owner of Sarelutions and creator of the "Things To Do In Chelsea"

Web site said. Sue Beale, secretary of the CCA Board of Directors, is choosing the paint colors. She is receiving input from numerous stakeholders at the CCA. "This has been a priority of the board for the last two years, unfortunately, we have had to combat some water issues which would have damaged any newly painted surfaces. We are confident that we have addressed the issues, and are now looking forward to putting a fresh face on our 85-year-old building. We want entering our building something that our students and parents can really look forward to," she said. Fred's Fine Finishes will be

contracted to prepare the walls and ceilings for volunteers to begin painting by mid-February. Recent building improvements that have been completed are a window restoration project that restored about half of the wooden windows in 2009, and installation of a heating, ventilation and cooling system in the upper level in 2008. Both projects were funded by the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and private donations. Volunteers interested in participating with the restoration can donate money, time or equipment. A \$30 donation

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Garden Mill to hold March workshops

The Garden Mill in Chelsea will hold an open house on March 6 and 7. The event is open to the public and will take place from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

"Our annual spring open house is a great way to 'think spring.' Take advantage of sales on seeds, gloves, tools and supplies to get your garden goals underway. Join us for refreshments and sign up for the first class of our free 'green thumb' series," Garden Mill owner Trinh Pifer said.

The Garden Mill will also offer free workshops and demonstrations every Saturday in March at 2 p.m. Topics include:

March 6: Extending your growing season

Join members of the Chelsea Community Garden and get tips on how to grow and enjoy cold weather crops in early spring and late fall for a long bountiful harvest.

March 13: Get the scoop on soil

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March 27: Mixed herb and flower containers

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But for his son, Tim Haskins, it's as much about the staff as it is the activities. In fact, the staff is more than just staff - it's an atmosphere of "family". There's a real attempt to train everyone, top to bottom, to be friendly, open, and warm towards the residents and families," he said.

But when it comes right down to it, the Haskins family thinks the world of Silver Maples, whether it's a cruise ship or a great assisted living community. "Of all the things I like about Silver Maples, and there are many, the best thing is the people," said Ford Haskins. "It all comes down to human relations. You just can't beat it."

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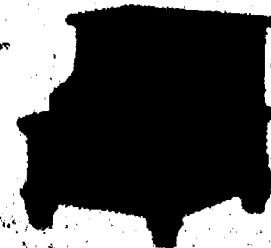
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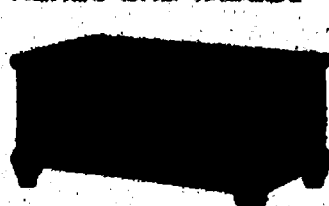
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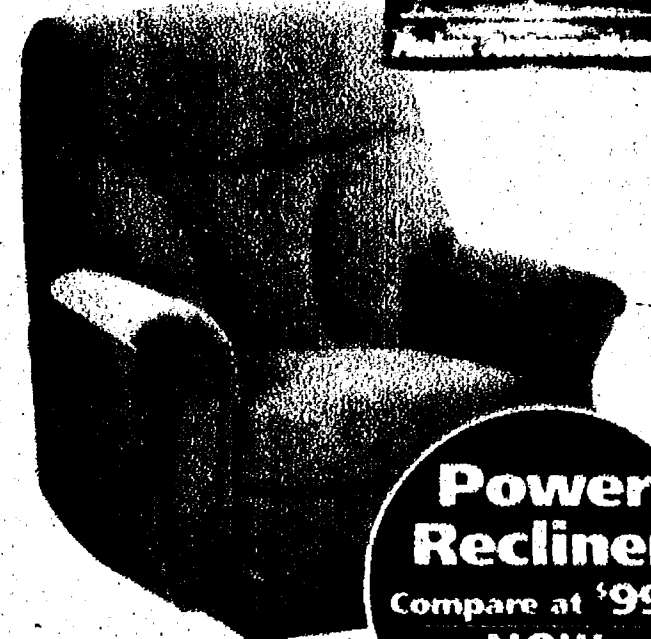
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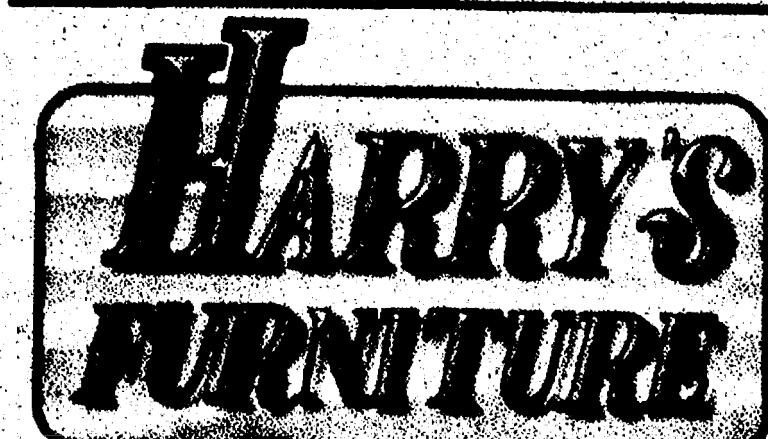
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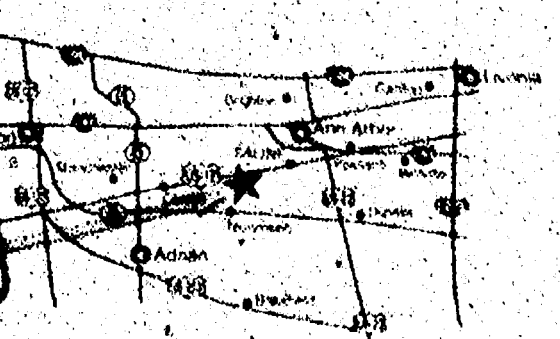
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support needed to expand area for youth at local library

Two years ago my current library — thanks to the people who work, have worked and are still working hard there — was voted "Best small town library in the nation." Not just in our little town, county or state, but in all of these contiguous United States. That's pretty darn good wouldn't you agree?

For those who may be playing ostrich, I'm talking about the great donated building, remodeled, dedicated and rightfully named after its benefactor family, The McKune Library located on Main Street in Chelsea.

Well, that was then and this is now. I'm hoping you all will join me and our fellow townsfolk in keeping that title. Not that it has to be voted on again, to be chosen best in the nation, but just knowing it can still be best in our town forever is still a good title.

Our library belongs to all of us. We're certainly proud of what we have.

There is one deep concern. Our school kids do not have a big enough or a good enough place to meet and continue in the learning process as well as just plain getting together to be themselves. Grandparents, parents and all us older folks were teens once so you know the drill. Will you help them and our library?

Right now as I understand it our library is trying to raise funds to fix up part of their building — one that they already have available for this purpose and this new proposal.

The space is located on the lower floor of the McKune building on Main Street. It needs remodeling simply because it wasn't meant for any purpose other than to store books and other things. The floor and walls are still bare cement so it's just an interior makeover really.

Most importantly, the kids need our help. The library needs our help too. I hear the tinkling of change already. How can I say this?

I see our teens just about every day after school closes. They want to be at our library. What a great place to meet, wouldn't you say? Most of you probably don't even frequent the library enough to recognize this but now hopefully you'll know.

It's time. It's time for all of us to grab our little piggy banks and change jars to collectively join in to help our kids have this place, a new place at our library and one to replace the old place called The Teen Space.

It is evident there isn't a space big enough for all who want to be at our library. Imagine that, they need the larger environs of a library too.

Several of the librarians had expressed agreement that the original architects really had no clue in foresight as to how the kids of our town would be drawn to our library. It's their library as well, isn't it? They present that fact by showing up consistently no matter the weather, day or program specifically directed to and for them.

They frequent it daily and love to congregate for lots of reasons. The main one I'd

venture to say is to learn. You can bet as school-age kids, they also like to learn together like they do in school. It's a book of words hangout.

In addition, we as residents of this town know there's actually no other place for them to meet. They need our help. They also need to help us help them. This is another time to show our collective community's face, to smile on another segment of our society who needs and most certainly deserves it.

Whenever the generals of the McKune decide to begin the collecting process, one suggestion would be to have a huge fish bowl on a table and stationed just inside the lobby.

Every time visitors or those who drop off a book or video (come by) they can drop their pennies, change, dollars and sense of ownership where each piece of material being paid for will collect. Everyone will bare witness and see as it grows and grows. No doubt in a short time the new space will be a reality. Are there a few volunteers to stand guard?

Needless to say I'm being facetious. Collecting large quantities of change (and what ever can be stuffed in a fish bowl) needs to be emptied as its being added to. A chart on the side can show the collection process.

Wouldn't you like for our younger generation to have a special place to learn as well as to have fun, to be around their friends and especially books?

Micky Shine
Chelsea

Gundon

Elizabeth Mae Gundon was recently named to the Dean's List at Goshen College for the 2009 fall semester.

Gundon is the daughter of Burdette and Charlotte Gundon of Chelsea. She is a senior studying art. Gundon is a 2007 alumna of Chelsea High School and attends Shalom Community Church.

The Dean's List includes students earning at least a 3.75 GPA, while completing at least 12 hours of course work for a letter grade. Only grades from the designated semester are included in the Dean's List selection process.

Everard

Stephanie L. Everard,

COLLEGE HONORS

daughter of David and Jolene Everard of Chelsea, was named to the Cedarville University Dean's Honor List for the 2009 fall semester. She is a student in the School of Pharmacy and has a GPA of 3.94.

Everard is a 2009 graduate of Chelsea High School.

Rhodes

Daniel Rhodes, daughter of Greg and Sharon Rhodes of Chelsea, was named to the Dean's List at Hillsdale College. She is a junior majoring in education. Rhodes is a 2007 graduate of Chelsea High School.

Stebelon

Candace Stebelton, daughter of Mark and Lisa Stebelton of Chelsea, was recently named

to the Dean's List at Spring Arbor University for the 2009 fall semester. Stebelton is a senior majoring in Health and Exercise Science.

Tchoryk

Jessica Tchoryk, daughter of Don and Crystal Hayduk, was recently named to the Dean's List at Spring Arbor University for the 2009 fall semester. Tchoryk is a freshman majoring in English education.

Williams

Jessica Williams of Chelsea was recently named to the Dean's List at Spring Arbor University for the 2009 fall semester. She is a sophomore majoring in Spanish.

Scholarship open to students

Students in kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to participate in the "Dream Out Loud" challenge for a chance to win a \$2,500 college scholarship and \$1,000 for their school.

The Michigan Education Savings Program and the Michigan Education Trust sponsor the challenge.

Sen. Randy Richardville, R-Dist. 17, who was a member of the MET board prior to serving in the state Senate, said it's important for students and parents to start early when saving for college.

"Attending college requires a substantial financial investment," Richardville said. "With the rising cost of higher educa-

tion, it's never too early to start saving. The Dream Out Loud challenge offers a creative way for students to win a scholarship to help pay for their future education, so I encourage them to get involved with the competition. It's also a great way to get a few more dollars to support their local school district."

To enter the challenge, stu-

dents can submit an original drawing, poem, essay or video answering the question, "How will I change the world after I go to college?"

A panel of judges will select one winner in each of the following categories: grades K-2, grades 3-4, and grades 5-6. The contest, which began Jan. 19, will end March 15.

STRAIGHT FACTS

In the Feb. 18 edition of The Chelsea Standard, information about the Knights of Columbus fish fry was inaccurately reported. The information in the story was based on wrong information given to the press. The article "Fish fry marks beginning of Lent for Catholics," should have said:

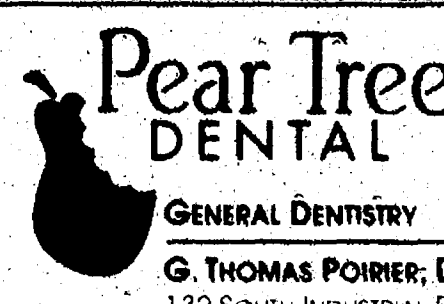
• Proceeds from the sale of the desserts go to the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund.

• Dinners cost \$10, \$9 for seniors and \$5 for children ages 11 and under.

• There is no carry-out phone number. Customers can enjoy takeout at the buffet.

• One of the charities the knights provide funds to is the Holy Cross Children's Services.

In addition, the newspaper staff acknowledges that a fish fry does not mark the beginning of Lent.



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Exercise caution when selecting a tax preparer

By Tim Burns

The Better Business Bureau encourages taxpayers to use caution when selecting tax preparation help during this year's tax season.

Most Americans will get assistance from a professional tax preparer or tax software when filing their taxes this year. The Better Business Bureau cautions that taxpayers may get hit with mounting fines and fees if the return isn't correct or is filed late.

According to the IRS, 80 percent of Americans enlist the help of a tax preparer or tax software when filing their taxes. Unfortunately, every year BBB receives thousands of complaints from consumers against tax preparers. Commonly, complainants state that the tax preparer made errors in their return which resulted in fines and fees.

Even though the tax preparer completes the return, it's the taxpayer who is ultimately responsible for the return's accuracy and whether or not it's filed on time.

The fines, fees and hassles can mount if you choose an unreliable tax preparer, and that's why it's important to do your research.

Better Business Bureau offers the following advice to find a trustworthy tax preparer:

- Ask around. Get referrals from friends and family on whom they use, and check the BBB Reliability Report on tax preparation services at www.bbb.org.

- Look for credentials. Ideally, your tax preparer should either be a certified public accountant, a tax attorney or an enrolled agent. All three can represent you before the IRS in all matters, including an audit. Also, find out if the preparer is affiliated with a professional organization that holds its members to a code of ethics.

- Don't fall for the promise of a big refund. Be wary of any tax preparation service that promises larger refunds than the competition, and avoid any tax preparers who base their fee on a percentage of the refund.

- Think about accessibility. Many tax preparation services only set up shop for the months leading up to April 15. In case the IRS finds errors, or in case of an audit, you might need to be able to contact your tax preparer throughout the year.

- Read the contract carefully. Read tax preparation service contracts closely to ensure you understand issues such as how much it is going to cost for the service, how the cost will be affected if preparation is more complicated and time consuming than expected and whether the tax preparer will represent you in case of an audit.

The Better Business Bureau Serving Eastern Michigan is a nonprofit organization with the purpose of assisting in the protection of consumers and businesses from fraud and unethical business practices in the local marketplace.

In addition to its recognized dispute resolution services, Better Business Bureau maintains reliability reports on the customer service history of more than 80,000 local businesses and provides consumer education materials on numerous topics.

Better Business Bureau provides its services free to the public, and its service territory stretches across Eastern Michigan from Ann Arbor through metro Detroit, Lansing, Flint, upward to Alpena and covers the entire Upper Peninsula of the state.

Tim Burns is public affairs director for Better Business Bureau Serving Eastern Michigan.



Death Notices

HERITAGE NEWSPAPERS



ANSBACHER, JEFFREY NEIL: Huntington Beach, CA, age 41; died on Saturday, January 9, 2010, after a valiant 19-month battle with pancreatic cancer. Born in Okinawa on his maternal grandmother's birthday, April 17, son of Dr. Rudi and Tissy Ansbacher and brother, Todd, he lived in four states prior to the family moving to Ann Arbor in 1980. He attended Clague and graduated from Huron High School in 1986. Majoring in business, he graduated from the University of Southern California in 1990 and elected to stay in the Los Angeles area, where he became a well known and respected realtor. He was regarded as an excellent consultant on real estate transactions due to his intelligence and willingness to offer advice that was pertinent, legally sound and based upon ethical principles. He was awarded the prestigious International President's Elite Award by Coldwell Banker in 2008. His integrity, honesty and humorous, witty personality will be missed by his family and friends. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jeffrey N. Ansbacher BS '90 Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund. Please make checks payable to the USC Marshall School of Business (note the Fund name in the memo section) and mail it to Ms. Kristen Kuhlman, Donor Relations Manager, Marshall School of Business, University of Southern California, Citi-group Center, Los Angeles, CA 90089-8201 (Phone: 213-821-9320).

WISE, ROBERT MELVIN: age 56; of Manchester; passed away February 15, 2010. He was born on August 17, 1953 in Toledo, Ohio the son of Melvin and Betty (Miller) Wise. He was employed at Allegiance Health in Jackson, MI as a Respiratory Therapist and was a member of the National Association of Respiratory Therapists. Robert will be remembered as a kind, gentle person who enjoyed woodworking and organic farming. He is survived by two siblings, Randy (Alleen) Wise and Jane Wise; and his "best bud" Karen Reynolds. In honor of Robert, memorial donations may be given to Huron Valley Humane Society. Envelopes will be available at Borek Jennings Funeral Home. Robert's family is planning to have a Celebration of his Life at a later date. Please leave a message of comfort for Robert's family by calling 877-231-7900 or sign his guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.



JORGENSEN, SIGRID: Chelsea, MI, age 103; died Thursday, February 18, 2010 at Chelsea Retirement Community. The 8th of 9 children, she was born February 17, 1907 in Flostrup, Denmark, the daughter of Laris Christian and Johanne (Rasmussen) Sorensen. Sigrid came to the U.S.A. in 1931, coming to Detroit. She has resided in Chelsea since 1987. Sigrid was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Chelsea, MI, and a long time volunteer at Faith in Action. On January 4, 1931, she married Carl Jorgensen in Bregninge, Denmark, and he preceded her in death in September, 1968. Survivors include one son, David (Judy) Jorgensen of Chelsea; 8 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews in Denmark and the U.S.A. She was preceded in death by one daughter Esther in 1970, and all of her siblings. Funeral Services will be held Monday, February 22, 10:30 a.m. at Chelsea Retirement Community, Towsley Chapel, with Rev. Dale Grimm officiating. Burial will follow at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. The family will receive friends at Cole Funeral Chapel Sunday, February 21, 2 to 6 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Faith in Action or the American Cancer Society.

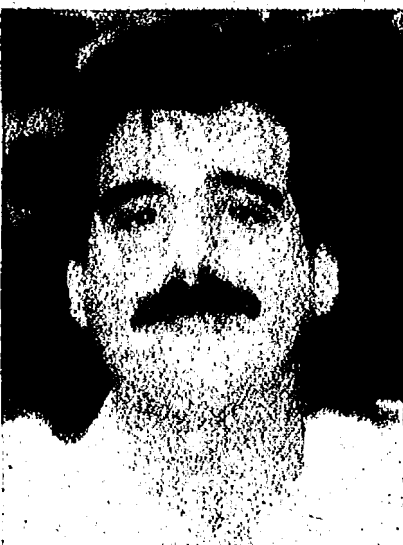
YOUNG, BARBARA: died peacefully at home on February 18, 2010 surrounded by family. Barbara was born in Detroit, MI, daughter of Magdalene M. Studer and Ralph D. Gorham; on October 15, 1927. After living briefly in Colorado Springs, CO and Albuquerque, NM, Barbara moved to Ann Arbor, MI to attend the University of Michigan where she met and married Wendell E. Young. Barbara is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth Anne Young and Mary Margaret Lampe; in addition to three grandchildren and one great grandchild. Memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Great Dane Rescue, Plymouth, MI, P.O. Box 5543, Plymouth, MI 48170. Please leave a message of comfort for Barbara's family by calling 877-231-7900 or sign her guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.

BLANCHARD, GERALD E., M.D.: formerly of Chelsea, 87; passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family in Columbia South Carolina. He was born March 24, 1922 in Detroit, Michigan, a Graduate of University of Toledo, and earned his M.D. at St Louis University School of Medicine. He served in the Korean War as the Executive Officer of MASH 8055, the 1st MASH unit in Korea, receiving the Legion of Merit medal for meritorious service. He returned home to practice medicine in Ohio and Michigan. He practiced at the Chelsea Medical Clinic from 1970 to 1978. He moved to Columbia S.C. in 1978 to work for the U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command at Ft. Jackson for the next ten years. He then joined Doctor's Care and continued practicing medicine until his retirement and also volunteered at the Columbia Free Clinic. He is survived by his beloved wife BJ, and his children Mark (Mary) of Willoughby Hills Ohio, Michelle (William) Charters of Chesapeake Virginia, and Mary (Mark) Dérmedde of Portland, Oregon; and two step-children Susan (Ronnie) Ellison of Bybee, Tennessee and Robert Louis Ashmore, Jr. of Mt. Pleasant S.C.; and brother James Blanchard, M.D. of Vero Beach, Florida; and grand children Brian and Annie Blanchard, Samantha and Alex Charters, and Kyle Dérmedde. He was preceded in death by his late wife Donna McGrady Blanchard, brother Richard and sister Rosemarie Flynn. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in honor to St. John Neumann Catholic Church and/or The Columbia Free Medical Clinic. Please sign the online guestbook at www.dunbarfunerals.com.

UNDERDAHL, LARRY: of Maybee, MI, age 69; passed away Thursday, February 18, 2010, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. He was born July 15, 1940, in Detroit, the son of Howard and Myrtle (Roach) Underdahl. On October 11, 1958, he married Marie Stoddard in Monroe and she survives. Larry was a respected, loyal employee of Ford Motor Company, Ypsilanti plant for 36 years, retiring in 2002. Larry was a lifetime member of the N.R.A., was an avid gun collector and he loved to build and race cars. He attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church. In addition to his loving wife of 51 years, survivors include three daughters, Dawn Marie (Ken) Wilhelm, Victoria (Neil) Kettinger and Pam (Jim) Ackerman, all of Maybee; one son, Lawrence Keith "Tuffy" Underdahl of Maybee; eight grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. The Funeral Service was 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 23, at Ochalek-Stark Funeral Service with Pastor Gordon Moore officiating. Burial followed in London Cemetery. Contributions in his memory may be made to the hospice of your choice. Envelopes are available at the funeral home, where the family greeted friends 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday. Please sign his guest book at www.ochalekstark.com.



LOFGREN, PAUL ALLEN: age 48; of Camden (Merry Lake), MI; died February 11, 2010. Paul attended Milan Public Schools and lived in Milan for many years as a young adult. He was a proud member of AA and established a meeting place in Pioneer, OH, for area residents. He loved living at the lake, going to auctions and garage sales, collecting old wood planes and being with his dogs. Paul is survived by his mother, Lee Ann of Camden; son, Michael of Jackson; daughter, Amber of Ypsilanti; three grandchildren; aunt, Valorie Gleason of Milan; and extended family. Paul's ashes will be interred in Marble Park Cemetery, Milan, next to his father, Paul E., brother Brad, uncle, Lowell Gleason, and grandpar-ents, Roy and Buelah Gleason. He rests in peace with the Lord. "God grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the Courage to change the things I can, and the Wisdom to know the difference."



MASTEN, JEFFREY ALAN: age 53; passed away unexpectedly on February 2, 2010; at his home in Munnith. He is survived by his mother, Betty; brother, Charles; sister, Susan; nephews, Michael and Mark and their mother, Suzanne. He was preceded in death by his father, Dr. Charles Masten. In 1981, Jeff sustained a closed head injury from a near fatal accident. As a result, he struggled greatly through the remainder of his life. Despite his difficulties, Jeff became an accomplished welder. He enjoyed nature, fishing, bicycling, scuba diving and was a true animal lover. Jeff had a generous heart and was loved by many. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him including his cat Butters. Following cremation, on Sunday, February 7, 2010, family and friends gathered to pay their respects, share their love and recall fond memories of Jeff. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cascade's Humane Society in memory of Jeff. Arrangements entrusted to Sherwood Funeral Home, 1109 Norvell Road, Grass Lake, MI, (517) 822-3000.



KOENIGTER, DOROTHY G.: of Chelsea, MI, age 83; passed away at the Chelsea Community Hospital on Saturday, February 20, 2010. She was born the daughter of Arthur W. and Rubena A. (Stabler) Grau on March 12, 1926, in Sharon Twp., MI. On September 8, 1945, she married Loren A. Koenigter and he survives. Dorothy was a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church, where she sang in the church choir. Dorothy was also the heart of the family farm and loved to share her German pretzels. She enjoyed bird watching and especially the return of the bluebirds in the spring. She was active in the local Farm Bureau and Rogers Corners Extension Group. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who took care of everyone that she knew and will be greatly missed. In addition to her husband, she is survived by her brother, Lloyd (Arlene) Grau of Chelsea; her children, Nancy (Garry) Hopkins of Galesburg, MI, Donald (Wanda) Koenigter of Chelsea and Robert (Dee) Koenigter of Chelsea; her grandchildren, Todd (Cristina) Hopkins, Scott (Katy) Hopkins, Amy (Eric) Wagoner, Daniel (Maria) Koenigter, Beth (Craig) Coder, Lisa Koenigter, Laura (Eric) Van Riper and Joseph Koenigter; and her great grandchildren, Morgan, McKenzie, Michela and Alessia Hopkins; she is also survived by her aunt, Anne Fulford. Funeral Services were held Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at 11 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church with Pastor Doris Sparks officiating. The family received friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Tuesday from 2 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday at the church from 10 a.m. until the hour of service. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the church.

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Burglary duo enter plea agreement

Two Ypsilanti Township men have pleaded guilty to home invasion charges for their roles in separate crimes last month, court records show.

Troy Anderson Lewis, 19, and Jalen Kaevon Hughbanks, 17, both entered guilty pleas to second-degree home invasion charges during pre-trial hearings in Washtenaw County Circuit Court. Prosecutors agreed to drop a second count of home invasion at sentencing on March 4 for Lewis and on March 10 for Hughbanks, records indicated.

The pair was arrested by Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies Jan. 18 shortly after they burglarized an apartment in the 2600 block of International Drive in Ypsilanti at about 1:35 a.m., according to police reports. They were fleeing the scene on foot carrying a laptop, video game system and shoes when they were caught.

Investigators also linked the duo to a home invasion reported the previous afternoon in the 1300 block of Rue Willette Boulevard. The home was entered through the rear sliding glass door and a 38-caliber handgun in a pouch, a Sony PlayStation II and games, and an Xbox 360 Arcade game were taken, according to reports.

They remain in custody on \$15,000 cash bonds.

Hughbanks will be referred to a special program through the Holmes Youth Trainee Act under a sentencing agreement. The law allows some offenders who are between 17 and 20 years old and plead guilty to their crimes to have their felony convictions ultimately expunged.

One-man crime spree avoids trial with plea deal in court

A man who accused of committing five different property crimes in different communities throughout the county last year recently entered into a plea agreement with prosecutors.

Court records show Mark Anthony Cox, 33, last week pleaded no contest to 14 counts of felonies ranging from home invasion to larceny and weapons violations. Prosecutors agreed not to charge him as a habitual offender as part of the deal.

Cox faces an undetermined mandatory prison sentence.

His crime spree reportedly began with a larceny from a building in Chelsea June 1, 2009, and ended with a fraud in Ypsilanti Township in August, court records show.

He also pleaded no contest to crimes in Pittsfield and Northfield townships that occurred in July. A no contest plea is not an admission of guilt, but is treated that way for sentencing purposes in Michigan.

Cox was already serving a sentence for crimes committed in another county. Further details about the charges were not available. He was returned to the custody of the Michigan Department of Corrections until sentencing.

Man faces sentencing in home invasion spree last month

An Ypsilanti Township man recently pleaded guilty as charged for a series of home invasions late last month.

Henry Lee Brandon, 21, is charged with four counts of second-degree home invasion

for crimes that were reported on the county's east side. He was arrested during a routine traffic stop in January along Tuttle Hill Road near Textile Road in Ypsilanti Township, according to a Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department news release.

A 15-year-old boy who was with Brandon at the time of his arrest has also been charged with property crimes in Washtenaw County Juvenile Court, records show. His name is not being released because he is an alleged juvenile offender.

Court records indicate a sentencing agreement is in place that requires some amount of jail to be determined at a sentencing hearing scheduled for March 4. Circuit Judge David Swartz did not object to referring Brandon to a prison boot camp.

County employee to appear in court for embezzling

A Washtenaw County employee accused of stealing more than \$100,000 intended for some of the county's most vulnerable individuals is expected to appear in court for a preliminary hearing this week.

Court records show Debra Ann Ross, 53, has been charged with embezzling more than \$20,000 for allegedly cashing checks intended for the care of clients of the Washtenaw County's Community Mental Health Department.

She started her career with the county more than 20 years ago and spent the last four with Community Mental Health, where she had authority to cash checks authorities said. It's unclear how long ago the thefts started. The missing money was uncovered during a recent audit, according to Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department reports.

Ross pleaded not guilty after turning herself in for arraignment last month. She was released on a personal recognizance bond of \$50,000 and also ordered to comply with drug testing with the Washtenaw County Community Corrections Department. She may not leave the state pending the outcome of the case, records show.

Her attorney urged the public not to rush to judgment on a long-time public servant.

"There's an awful lot of information to work through and I hope people wait until she has her day in court to pass judgment," Ross' attorney, Mike Vincent, said.

Compiled by freelance journalist Art Aigner



Photos courtesy of jknighphoto
A trio of unidentified Saline Twirlettes is pictured during the squad's halftime show at an Eastern Michigan University men's basketball game.

Twirlettes perform at Eastern

By Jeremy Allen

When the grade school-age girls of the prestigious Saline Twirlettes took to the court for the halftime show of the Eastern Michigan University men's basketball game Feb. 14, they had no reason to be nervous.

Even in front of a crowd of more than 1,100 on Valentine's Day, a six-minute routine seemed effortless and was pulled off with perfect execution. It's easy to understand how flawless the show is expected to be, however, in comparison to the storied history of the group.

The Twirlettes started in 1968 as both a recreational and competitive program and, in the club's 42 years of existence, more than 1,800 boys and girls have been members.

In the past six years, the Twirlettes have won 10 different National Championships in various categories, including the Grand National Senior Halftime Champions, of which the group is currently the reigning back-to-back winner.

The 1,100-person crowd at the EMU basketball game was a relatively small show for the Twirlettes, who have performed in venues such as Ford Field in front of more than 40,000 people.

But it's the hard work and dedication of the team and people like the coach, Susan

Usher, a graduate of EMU, with a much-decorated history of twirling, who have helped propel the program to new heights.

Usher, an Ypsilanti resident, has been coaching the Saline Twirlettes since 1992 and she definitely knows what it takes to become a Twirlette. During her competitive twirling days, Usher garnered several awards. She won state awards for solo, two-baton and three-baton twirling, and in 1990 she was also given the Harold Spohnberg Award for the Outstanding Senior Marching Band Member at EMU.

Some graduated Saline Twirlettes have gone on to take their skills to programs such as Michigan State University, Penn State and Purdue, among other prominent programs.

Current young men and women in the club range in age from 4 to 24 years old, and the Twirlettes hold various clinics and programs to

offer their skills to the community and explain their craft. The 2010 Lori Potter Memorial Clinic will be held March 27 at Milan Middle School.


The group welcomes twirlers from across Washtenaw County and currently has members from Ann Arbor, Chelsea, Milan, Saline, and

Ypsilanti, among other cities.

For more information about the Saline Twirlettes, visit the group's Web site at www.salinetworktwirlettes.org or e-mail Usher at susan@salinetworktwirlettes.org.

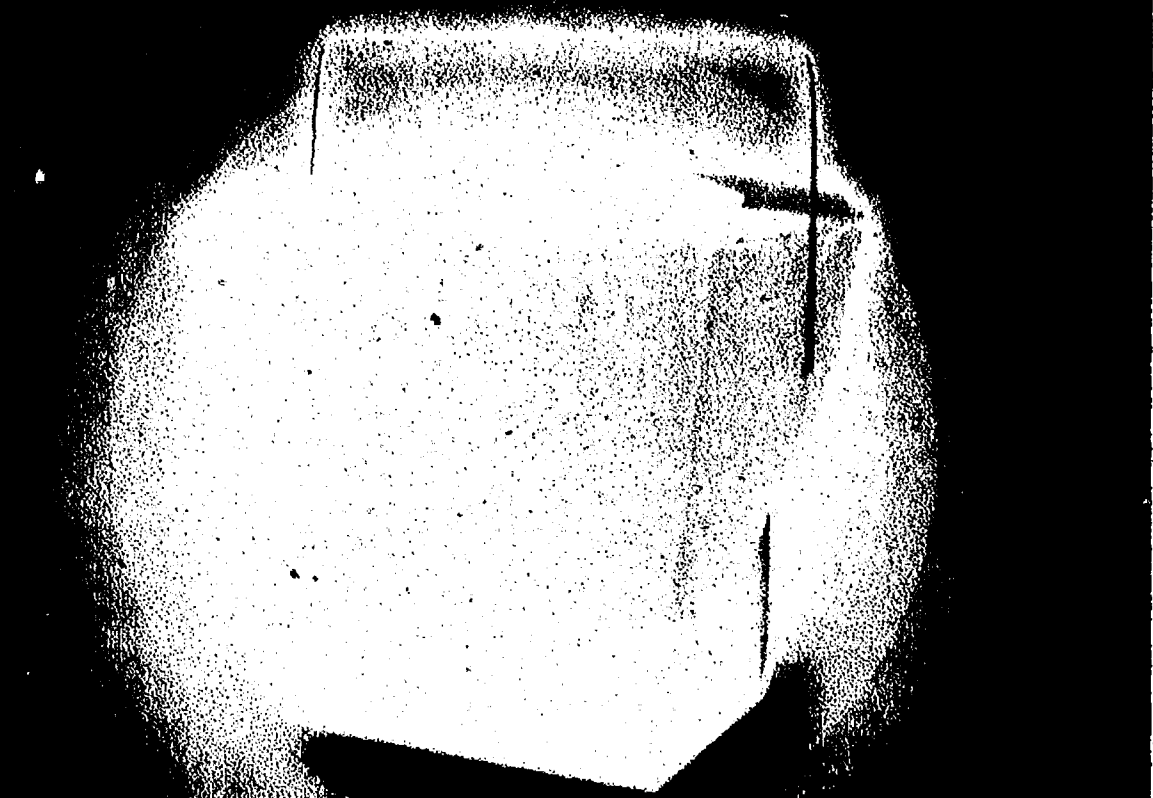
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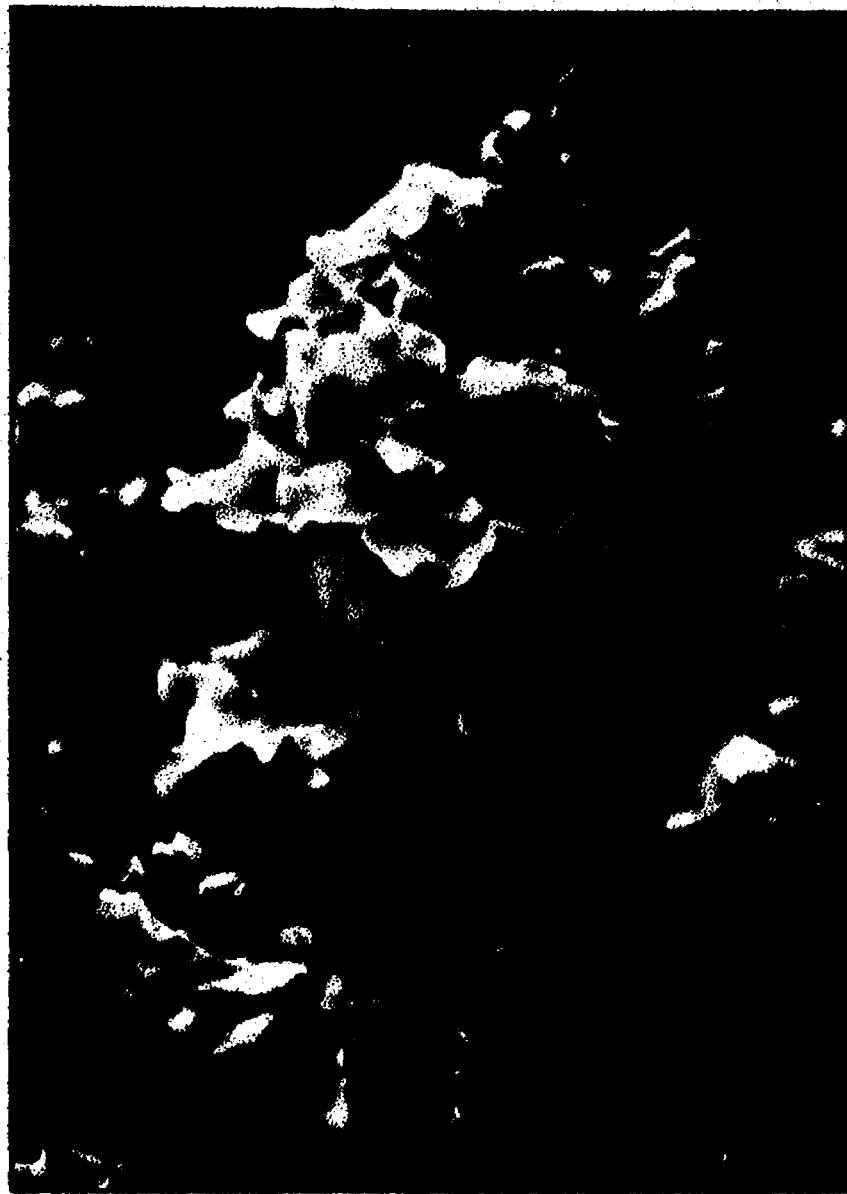
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FORWARD

Green Thumbs

Spring to bring exciting new plant offerings



By Joanne Westman
Guest Writer

"Every gardener knows that under the cloak of winter lies a miracle - a seed waiting to sprout, a bulb opening to the light, a bud straining to unfurl. And the anticipation nurtures our dream."

Barbara Winkler

Anticipation of spring certainly "nurtures our dreams" at this time of year. I can almost see the sprouting seeds, the emerging bulbs and smell the reawakened earth warming to the spring sun.

Then a look out my window brings me back to reality as the woods fill up with snow, the firewood rapidly diminishes and the bird feeders need constant refilling. I put another log on the fire, gather up my garden catalogs and find a little magic by taking a virtual trip into spring and summer. Someday the snow will melt, the first spring bulbs will emerge and soon we will be deep in spring.

Our most important task right now is assessing mistakes of the season past, anticipating the challenges and pleasures of the warm weeks ahead and considering which annuals, perennials and shrubs we will add to the garden.

But before you get too carried

away (which I do every year) and before you order anything, make a list of what type of plants you need to create a new bed or to fill in holes in existing beds based on your assessment of last year's garden.

It's easy to get overly enthused by pictures of perfectly blooming plants in the catalogs only later to discover that you have more plants than energy. So, a list will help to prioritize what you really need. Though I order seeds from catalogues for the annuals and

I will be planting. I prefer to buy my perennial plants and shrubs from local garden centers where I can personally assess the quality. The folks at local nurseries and garden centers are very knowledgeable and eager to help you select the right plant for the right place.

New plant offerings are judged each year by horticultural trade organizations, such as the Perennial Plant Association, the All-American Rose Association and All

America Selections. Plants undergo comprehensive testing before receiving an award. There is not enough room in this article to cover every new plant being offered, but I will point out some of the ones that have been recognized by these national trade organizations, some that have caught my eye and some that have been recommended by local garden center staff.

Roses

The All-American Rose Association has chosen a single rose for 2010. The winner is 'Easy Does It,' a floribunda rose with double ruffled blooms of mango, orange, peach, pink with a strong citrus scent. The plant is rounded and bushy with glossy green foliage. It is reported to be vigorous and disease resistant. I can't wait to try this one. I'm really into carefree.

Perennials

The Perennial Plant Association does not choose "new" offerings, but instead chooses a perennial that they feel is outstanding. Their choice for 2010 is Baptisia australis or Blue False Indigo. This showy native species is a spring flowering, shrub-size (3 to 4 feet) perennial and has small bluish-violet lupine-type blooms which continue three or four weeks. Following flowering, there are puffy seed pods that emerge green and then turn charcoal black as they ripen in late summer and remain for winter interest. It is easy to grow in full sun and does well in any soil as long as it is well drained. There are no serious pests or diseases affecting this plant. I have one in my perennial garden and love it for its four-season interest, ease of growing and as a backdrop for shorter perennials.

"It's easy to get overly enthused by pictures of perfectly blooming plants..."

Heucheras (Coral Bells)

Heucheras are one of my favorites. Their low, dense mounds of scalloped leaves are vivid colors including lime green, amethyst, peach and deep purple. They can be grown in shade or sun. Their sprays of dainty bell-shaped flowers are favorites of hummingbirds. Every year there are new varieties whose leaves add color to the perennial garden. Try Heuchera Dolce

'Blackcurrant,' 'Key Lime Pie,' 'Peach Melba' or 'Crème Brûlée' carried by local garden centers.

Annuals

Four annuals took top honors in the All-America Selections for 2010. They include a galardia, viola, snapdragon and zinnia.

Gallardia 'mesa yellow' is the first hybrid blanket flower on the market. It has a compact growth habit and its clear yellow, daisy like flowers bloom throughout the summer.

Viola 'Endurio Sky Blue Martini' is a softly mounding annual with delicate 1-inch sky blue blooms from spring through fall. It grows 6 inches tall and spreads 10 to 12 inches wide. I'd love to have this in my garden as it is hard to find a good clear blue.

Snapdragon 'Twinny Peach' is a double flowered shorter snapdragon (12 inches by 8 inches across.) The difference between this snap and others is the color, a blend of peach, lemon and orange.

Zinnia 'Zahara Starlight Rose' is a stunning combination of rose and white petals. It is resistant to mildew (which I am always fighting in my garden) and provides generous color all season. It is disease and drought tolerant. Mature plants are 12 to 14 inches tall.

Shrubs

Monrovia has announced a new shrub that I am very anxious to try. It was voted 'Best in Show' at the Farwest New Varieties Showcase in August 2009. It is the 'Golden Ruby' Variegated Dwarf Pygmy-Barberry and is described as a slideshow of continuing color changes. Spring starts with fluorescent orange, with leaves maturing to a burgundy maroon with a gold ring around the outer leaf margin in summer. Fall color is a flame orange to brick red. Doesn't it sound exciting? It is slow growing and requires full sun to reach its greatest color. These are really tough little shrubs.

Buyers Picks — Local garden centers

The folks I contacted at local nursery garden centers were pretty excited about 2010 plant introductions. They and their staff can be very helpful in assisting you in selecting the right plant for the right place. Take advantage of their expertise. The following are some of

their selections.

Dan Sparks of Fraleighs Nursery on Jackson Road likes an ornamental grass as well as two new hydrangeas. Chasmanthium Latifolium 'River Mist' (Northern Sea Oats) is a new variegated variety of northern sea oats with upright green stalks, blades 9 inches by 1 inch long which are heavily striped with white. It is striking in any setting and grows 30 inches tall in sun to light shade.

The Hydrangea arborescens 'Invincibelle Spirit' is an Annabelle Hydrangea with dark pink buds opening to hot pink blooms, turning a dusty pink as flowers mature. It produces flowers on new growth right up until frost. It is hardy and easy to grow as a specimen, in mass planting or incorporated into perennial gardens or woodland settings.

Hydrangea arborescens 'Incrediball' is also a new and improved 'Annabelle' hydrangea with strong stems and massive blooms. The blooms emerge an attractive lime green, change to white and age to green. It is 4 to 5 feet tall and blooms mid-summer to fall.

Phil Walsh of Lodi Farms on South Wagner Road suggests a number of new perennials that he thinks these are going to be very nice.

Anemone hybrid (Fall or Japanese Anemone) 'pink saucers' are large pink flowers which begin to bloom mid-summer rather than mid-September.

Baptisia 'purple smoke' (False Indigo) flowers are purple rather than blue and have a more upright, less sprawling growth habit. They do not require watering once established.

The Coreopsis verticillata 'Sienna Sunset' plant is similar to 'Moonbeam' and 'Zagreb', but with flowers that change from peach to orange as they age.

Gaillardia 'Gallo Peach' and 'Gallo Yellow' (Dwarf Blanketflower) are 8 to 10 inches tall with a bloom period that should run from late June until a heavy freeze. These need to be planted in a spot that drains well.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Dixieland' (Dwarf Variegated Silver Grass) At 4 to 5 inches tall and wide, this plant will fit almost any sunny yard.

Darrell Youngquest of English Gardens on Maple Road suggests these new offerings: Roses 'Sweet Drift' and

Apricot Drift' are new in the 'drift' rose series. They are groundcover roses that bloom from spring to frost with a low spreading habit.

Syringa 'Bloomerang' lilac keeps coming back, with beautifully fragrant, purple-pink blooms on compact, well branched shrubs. Flowering is heavy in the spring and fall with a lighter flowering through the summer. 'Bloomerang' is perfect for the smaller garden or a wonderfully fragrant hedge.

So there you have it - the newest horticultural delights to consider. Now put another log on the fire, pour yourself a cup of tea, relax in a favorite chair and dream. That's how beautiful gardens begin.

Joanne Westman is an advanced master gardener. She gardens on the farm she shares with her husband John. Her interests are vegetable, perennial and shade gardening. She and her husband are excited about starting a home vineyard this spring.

The Dexter Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month September through June at the Dexter Area Historical Museum.

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will purchase a gallon of paint, while \$1,440 will become a project sponsor. Project sponsors will have their names listed above the room of their choice. Donations can be made by sending a check, or via the CCA Web site, www.chelseaceenforthearts.org, involve.html. Donations may be tax deductible.

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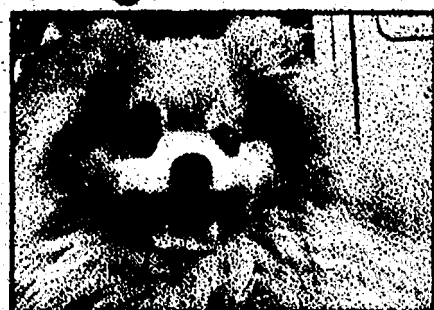
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Scouts enter new chapter



On Feb. 8 at Cub Scout Pack 477's annual Blue and Gold Banquet, Pack 477 had an extra reason to celebrate. 10 Webelos II Scouts graduated to Boy Scouts. This is an achievement the Webelos II Scouts have been working toward for many years. With the Order of the Arrow present as emcee, Mikyle Bartkowiak was the first to walk over the bridge signifying his cross over from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts and joining Boy Scout Troop-442. Next was Russell Milliner followed by Ryan Bellas, Owen Brooks, Zachary Ferris, Brennan Hochrein, Kieron Moller, Gregory Su, Caleb Turck and David Woelkers all crossing over to Boy Scout Troop 442. Cub Scout Pack 477 congratulates all the boys on their achievement and wishes them many more exciting adventures as Boy Scouts.

CAF offers mini grants

The Chelsea-Area Wellness Foundation recently posted a discussion topic on its Facebook page, "What do you think are indicators of a healthy community?" Replies included walkability, access to fresh and affordable food, parks and outdoor areas that encourage activity, and healthy school lunches.

Not surprisingly, community feedback focused on wellness and disease prevention. The CWF supports this vision of a healthy community -- where people eat better, move more, avoid unhealthy substances and connect with others in healthy ways. The Foundation has spent the past year working hard to define this vision, and they are ready to put it into action.

Five healthy towns is the mission of the CWF. The five communities of Chelsea, Dexter, Grass Lake, Manchester and Stockbridge are all included in the Foundation's efforts to support approximately \$1 million in wellness initiatives each year.

All non-profit organizations in these five communities are eligible for grant funding for qualifying programs, and grant applications are now being accepted through the Foundation's Web site, www.5healthytowns.org.

Applications for sponsorships and mini-grants are also available through the Web site, with each community allotted up to \$10,000 per year in mini-grants.

In addition to supporting projects dedicated to furthering the CWF vision, in 2010 an additional focus is on programs that target youth, young adults and young families.

"The earlier we can reach children and work with them to establish healthy habits, the greater long-term impact we can have. Families are every child's first and most influential teacher. It is critical not only to address the needs of our children and youth, but their families as well," CWF board member and Manchester Community

Schools Superintendent Shawn Lewis-Lakin said.

Grant applications are only accepted electronically, and CWF staff is available to answer any questions or assist in the application process. The Foundation plans to offer two grant cycles each year, the first of which will end on April 30.

A grant committee comprised of board and community members reviews each grant application.

The Foundation's new Web site, www.5healthytowns.org, offers a variety of historical and financial information about the CWF, board member biographies, a blog written by board members and guests, and detailed information about how to apply for a grant.

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OTHER VOICES

2010 is 'Year of the Lions' for local club

By Elaine Owsley

The year 2010 may be the "Year of the Tiger," but in Dexter, it is looking like another good year for the Lions.

More than 40 members of the local club, which was formed in 1979, are dedicated to projects that serve the community, the area, the nation and the world.

This year they are particularly grateful to the Dexter community for the support of the annual Christmas tree sale. A record amount was raised from the sale of trees, garlands and wreaths from the club's trailer on the Creekside School grounds on Baker Road.

The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Faith in Action, community service and leadership project, the new ice rink in Monument Park, scholarships for high school seniors, sports programs, and recently, the running of the Apple Daze events,

are but a few of the Dexter area causes that benefit from the Lions' support.

Nationally and locally, the Lions Club responds to Helen Keller's challenge to become "knights for the blind" by supporting the Leader Dogs for the Blind program, the Penickton Center for the Blind in Taylor, and assisting multi-disabled children. The Lions Club also offers free eye screenings through the Kid Sight program and Sight Mobile. All of these programs are funded through special club projects and donations during White Cane Week.

This year the Lions hitched up their wagon and offered hot coffee and chocolate at the new ice skating rink.

Chuck Hughes is president of the local Lions and Dick Ulrich is vice president. The oldest member is Louis Ceriani, who turns 83 this

month.

"From the Heart" is another Lions-supported charity that sponsors visits to C.S. Mott's Children's Hospital by University of Michigan athletes. The Lions also help with fire relief for victims of home fires who need financial

assistance.

Wherever there is a need, there are Lions. But they wouldn't be there without the support of the community. When any one of the nearly 1,000 Christmas trees is purchased, someone who needs help will get it.

Roughly 20,000 trees have been sold since the sales began 29 years ago.

The Dexter Lions are very appreciative of the ongoing support throughout the

year. Whenever the Lions have asked for help with any of their projects, Dexter residents have responded, making every year the "Year of the Lions."

Contest open to local students

Students in grades five through 12 can enter the Dexter Library's digital photo contest.

Participants can take a digital picture of their pet and submit it either through e-mail to Julie Darling, young adult librarian, at jdardling@dexter.lib.mi.us or upload it directly to the Dexter Library Facebook Page by March 6. Prizes include a \$25 gift certificate to Nicola's Books.

The Cutest Pet Picture Contest is in celebration of Teen Tech Week, an annual

event sponsored by the American Library Association to promote the use of non-print resources at the library by teens.

Although the contest is open to Dexter residents, anyone can vote on the image they deem the cutest. Votes must be submitted by March 12 on Facebook or by e-mail to Julie Darling at jdardling@dexter.lib.mi.us.

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Alumni - contact membership@dextercoop.com or Jill at 734-253-2163 now for registration info!

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STATE-OWNED OIL AND GAS MINERALS TO BE OFFERED FOR LEASE AUCTION

Lands under consideration for oil and gas leasing include acreage in the following counties: ALPENA, ANTRIM, ARENAC, BAY, CHARLEVOIX, CHEBOYGAN, CRAWFORD, EMMET, GLADWIN, GRAND TRAVERSE, ISABELLA, JACKSON, KALKASKA, LIVINGSTON, MIDLAND, MISSAUKEE, MONTMORENCY, NEWAYGO, OAKLAND, OCEANA, OSCEOLA, PRESQUE ISLE, ROSCOMMON, AND WASHTENAW.

The Department of Natural Resources & Environment (DNRE) will offer, at an oral-bid public auction, oil and gas lease rights to approximately 127,100 acres of state-owned minerals in those Michigan counties listed herein. More detailed information regarding location of the nominated parcels can be found on the web at <http://www.michigan.gov/dnre/1,1607,7-153-10371-14793-30912-00.html> or by calling 517-373-7663.

Written comments by interested parties relative to the classification of any description must be received by Forest Management Division at the address specified herein NO LATER THAN April 5, 2010. Any request for change in classification will be considered by the DNRE prior to offering the lease rights at public auction, with final classification to be set at the sole discretion of the Director of the DNRE.

Registration of bidders will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at the Michigan Constitution Hall, 525 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan.

Offering of lease rights will begin at 9:00 a.m. at a minimum bid of \$13.00 per acre (which includes a \$3.00 per acre audit fee), and will continue until all descriptions have been offered. Additionally, at the auction's end and at the option of the DNRE, parcels not bid in at \$13.00 per acre, may be re-offered at a minimum bid of \$5.00 per acre.

Bids may be submitted by individuals of legal age, a partnership, corporation, or other legal entity qualified to do business in Michigan. Prospective bidders should be prepared to submit such proof at the time of registration.

The total bonus must be paid on the same day for all lease rights which receive successful bids. Prospective bidders who do not have an established credit rating with the DNRE through prior leasing of state-owned minerals, must pay at least one-half of the TOTAL bonus bid by cash, certified check, cashier's check, or money order. A credit rating may be established by filing with the DNRE, Forest Management Division (FMD), Mineral and Land Management Section (MLMS), three letters of reference, one of which must be from a bank. In no instance will the DNRE accept "site drafts," even if noted as a zero day site draft.

An auction catalog showing the legal description of the lands proposed to be offered and parcel classifications will be available after April 9, 2010, on the web at <http://www.michigan.gov/dnre/1,1607,7-153-10368-11800-169044-00.html> or by contacting DNRE-FMD-MLMS, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7952, telephone 517-373-7663.

O'HARA CASH MATCH EVENT

2010 PT CRUISER CLASSIC	2010 DODGE JOURNEY	2010 DODGE CHALLENGER
MSRP.....\$19,995 Employee Savings.....\$1,305 Rebates.....\$2,000 Customer Cash/Trade.....\$1,500 O'Hara Cash Match.....\$1,500	MSRP.....\$21,250 Employee Savings.....\$1,550 Rebates.....\$2,500 Customer Cash/Trade.....\$1,000 O'Hara Cash Match.....\$1,000	MSRP.....\$23,445 Employee Savings.....\$1,560 Rebates.....\$2,500 Customer Cash/Trade.....\$1,000 O'Hara Cash Match.....\$1,000
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Winterfest concert

The Dexter Community Band will host their Winterfest Concert on Feb. 28. The concert is at 3 p.m. in the Dexter Center for the Performing Arts located in Dexter High School. The concert is free and open to the public.

The concert will feature Michigan composers John Stout and Howard Bond. The band will be performing John Stout's "Jamaican Folk Song Fantasy."

Adult Learner Institute open classes

The Adult Learner Institute of Chelsea still has classes open for the spring semester. There are 15 classes that start after March 1 that are not full. Some classes are a single session and run as late as May 11. For more information visit the Web site, www.adultlearnersinstitute.org, or call 1-734-1000. Ext. 7358. Catalogs, registration forms and class information can be picked up at the Chelsea Senior Center at the Washington Street Education Center.

Chelsea Standard and Dexter Leader now on Facebook

The Chelsea Standard and Dexter are now on Facebook. The site is a supplement to the www.heritage.com/Web site and print editions of both newspapers. It features news, events, pictures and other fun information. To join, visit www.chelseastandard.com or www.dexterleader.com and click on the Facebook icon on the right hand side of the screen.

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'Around Town with Linda'

"Around Town with Linda" will feature Joe Brosnan, local business owner and former teacher. "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.

Garden Club seeks grant applicants

The Chelsea Area Garden Club has a limited number of small grants of \$500 or less available to individuals or non-profit organizations for horticultural purposes that reflect the objectives of the CAGC.

Funds will be given for projects that benefit the local community, stimulate the love of gardening, promote environmentally responsible horticultural practices, and encourage all forms of conservation through education and demonstration.

Information and applications can be obtained at www.chelseagardenclub.com or by contacting Ruth Broesamle

at 1-734-475-9803. Application deadline is March 31.

St. Barnabas Lenten Series to be held on Thursdays

The St. Barnabas Lenten Series, "Tuning in to God's Call" begins at 6:30 p.m. Thursday evenings with dinner and the discussion. Homemade soup, crusty bread and fresh fruit will be provided. Following the meal, participants will adjourn to the nave for the daily office of Compline, traditionally the last monastic prayer before bed. For more information, call 1-734-475-8818.

Cherilyn's Basket Shop Workshop

A special Saturday workshop taught by Cherilyn Fontana will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 27 at Cherilyn's Basket Shop in Dexter.

The workshop will focus on creating a leather bushel basket. This sturdy semi-bushel basket is elegant in its simple design. A twined base, strongly woven walls with just a few thin rows of accent color, then a sturdy 5-8 inch rim make up this useful basket.

The special highlights are the leather bushel handles and unique suede lashing which match the accent color in the walls. Regular weaving tools are required. The class is \$45 and is open to all weavers.

For information, call 1-734-424-9225 or email cherilynfontana@gmail.com

braunbasketweaving.biz to register. Leave your name and phone number.

Register by mail by sending a check for the class fee to: Cherilyn Braun Basketweaving, 7300 Huron River Drive, Dexter, MI 48130.

Cash Bash

The Rotary Club of Chelsea will hold its annual fundraiser, "The Cash Bash," at Silver Maples of Chelsea on March 6. Tickets are \$100 and include entry and dinner for two, and automatic eligibility for many prizes presented throughout the evening, including the \$3,000 grand prize. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6 p.m. Contact any Rotarian for tickets or call Silver Maples at 1-734-475-4111 and ask for Jerry Wilczynski.

DAHS meeting

The Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum is having a fundraising committee meeting at 7 p.m. Feb. 28 at the Dexter Area Museum. We are looking for new and good ideas. Call 734-426-8972 for information.

Class reunion planning meeting

The Class of 1970 is planning their 40th class reunion and would like classmates interested in the planning to attend the meeting March 10 at 6:30 p.m. at Jacquie (Bailey) Daniels apartment, 707 W. Middle St., Apt #4 in Chelsea. For more information, call 1-734-433-9407.

Motown Memories Dance Party

The Motown Memories Dance Party will take place from 8 p.m. to midnight March 6 at the Zal Gaz Grotto Club, 2070 W. Stadium Blvd. Single parents and other singles are invited to enjoy a mix of Motown and newer favorites, hosted by the Ann Arbor Chapter of Parents Without Partners. DJ Mike Jackson will perform and a cash bar is available. The event is open to the public. For more information, call 1-734-433-1668.

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer will be held on March 5 at 7 p.m. at Webster United Church of Christ, 5484 Webster Church Road.

The focus will be on the country of Cameroon. The women of Cameroon have written the service and the theme is "Let everything that has breath praise God." The service will include special music by Laz Slomovits of Gemini and Joan Chodaczewski.

Refreshments will be served. To have an item placed on the bulletin board, email information to Dane.La@aol.com or call 1-734-433-1668. Friday for the following week's editor.

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8:30am Daybreak Worship
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11:00am Mosaic Worship
9:30am Sunday School for all ages

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The Rev. Barbara Lewis-Lakin
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Dominic Aquilino, Pastor

1st Service	8:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
2nd Service	10:30 a.m.
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Wed. Prayer Meeting	7:00 p.m.
AWANA Club	5:30 p.m. Sundays

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9:30am Education Hour
10:30am Celebration Service & Childrens Church

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Worship, 10:00 a.m.

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Pastor Charles R. Schulz
734-663-7511
StThomasFreedom.org

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(734) 426-4915
John O'Dell, Pastor

Sunday: Sunday school,
9:30 a.m.;
Worship 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

Independent Fundamental Baptist
Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Awana September till May

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7610 Ann Arbor St.
Dexter, Michigan
Dr. Bob Summers, Pastor
734-426-8610

Sunday Services:
8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship Service
Sunday School K-12
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DHS to compete in science bowl

Students win regional bowl, now advance to national competition in St. Petersburg, Fla.

On Feb. 6, Dexter High School competed and won in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl's Great Lakes Bowl at the University of Michigan. The NOSB is a program of the Consortium for Ocean Leadership based in Washington, D.C.

Sixteen teams from 12 high schools with four or five students on each team participated in this year's Great Lakes Bowl. For winning the regional competition, Dexter now moves on to face 24 other regional champions in the 13th annual National Ocean Sciences Bowl April 23-25 at the University of South Florida in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The competition consists of buzzer-style, round-robin multiple-choice questions and longer team challenge questions. The theme for this year's finals competition is "technology."

"I am very proud that this prestigious program has attracted so many exceptionally bright students to test their knowledge of ocean science at such a high level," said Robert Gagosian, president and CEO of the Consortium for Ocean Leadership.

"As the future leaders of our nation, I know this experience will encourage them to strive to continue to understand, conserve and protect our ocean resources for future generations."

Approximately 2,000 students from over 300 high schools will participate this year.

Through this educational forum, the NOSB strives to encourage and support the next generation of marine scientists, policy makers, teachers, explorers, researchers, technicians, environmental advocates and informed citizens.

The winning team from DHS is coached by Cheryl Wells. The team members are Justin Wike, Matthew Sarver, Maggie Grundler, Kyle Oberle and Spencer Bussineau.

For more information about NOSB, visit www.nosb.org.

NOTICE OF HEARING OF NECESSITY ALLEN CREEK SYLVAN AVENUE STORM WATER CONTROLS DRAIN PROJECT

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

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Drainage Board will meet at 4:00 p.m. on March 18, 2010, at the Office of the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, Western County Service Center, 705 North Zeeb Road, Second Floor, Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing any objections to said project, to the matter of assessing the cost to the public corporations above named. At said hearing any public corporation to be assessed or any taxpayer thereof will be entitled to be heard.

This Notice is given by order of said Drainage Board

Janis A. Bobin
Janis A. Bobin, Chair

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LYNDON TOWNSHIP 2010 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS

As required by the General Property Tax Act, public notice is hereby given by the Lyndon Township that the 2010 March Board of Review will meet on the following days at the Lyndon Township Hall located at 17751 North Territorial Rd., Chelsea, Michigan for the purpose of reviewing the 2010 assessment roll, hearing requests, protests, or application for corrections of assessed or tentative taxable values.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: Tuesday March 2nd at 1:00 p.m.

PUBLIC APPEAL HEARINGS:
Monday March 8th: 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday March 9th: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Letter appeals are also accepted in lieu of personal appearance and must be received no later than March 9th by 3:30 p.m.

The tentative rates and estimated multipliers for the 2010 Assessments and Taxable Values in the Township are as follows:

Class	Tentative Rate	Estimated Multiplier	Estimated Final Rate
Agricultural	53.45	0.9355	50.00
Commercial	54.45	0.9200	50.00
Developmental	51.00	1.0000	50.00
Industrial	52.47	0.9457	50.00
Residential	51.60	0.9690	50.00
Personal Property	50.00	1.0000	50.00

The above rates and multipliers are subject to further review by the Assessor's Office, the Board of Review, the Equalization Department, or the Michigan State Tax Commission.

ADA: Americans with Disabilities Notice: The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice.

Contact: Lyndon Township, Clerk
17751 North Territorial Rd.
Chelsea, MI 48118
Ph: (734) 475-2401

Lyndon Township
Assessor

Patricia M. Zamenaki,
CMAR III

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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

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

TOWNSHIP OF SYLVAN
County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan

That the Assessment Roll of said Township will be reviewed by the Board of Review on March 2, 2010 at 9:15am

Appeals and conferences with taxpayers will be heard on

MONDAY MARCH 8, 2010
from 9am - 12 noon and 1 - 4pm

WEDNESDAY MARCH 10, 2010
from 1 - 4pm and 6 - 9pm

with additional days if determined necessary by the Board of Review

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52.30	Agricultural	9960
54.21	Commercial	9223
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54.74	Residential	9134
50.05	Developmental	9990

The Sylvan Township Board of Review will hear appeals by letter or appointment. Appointments may be made by calling 475-8880 on Mondays or Wednesdays 9:00am to 12:00noon or by contacting the Assessor

ROBERT W. LANGE,
SUPERVISOR

Publish: February 11, 18 & 25, 2010

Washtenaw County Legal Notice:

Washtenaw County Purchasing Division is issuing a Request for Proposal for FY2010-2012 Community Based Development Organization (CBDO) Designation and Washtenaw Urban County (UCB) Funding for City of Ann Arbor Neighborhood Organizations. There is a MANDATORY Pre-Bid meeting scheduled for 11:00 AM - 12:00 noon on Friday, February 26, 2010, at Office of Community Development, 110 N. Fourth Avenue, Suite 300, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Washtenaw County Finance/Purchasing Department located at 220 North Main Street, Room B-35, Lower Level, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. RFP #520 Due Friday, May 7, 2010 by 3:00PM local time. For more information, please call 734-222-6760 or logon to our website at <http://bids.washtenaw.org> and click on "open bids". Only non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status are eligible to apply. The funds used for this proposal are federal funds.

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SCIO TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE MEETING TO BE HELD AT SCIO TOWNSHIP 827 N ZEEB RD ANN ARBOR MI 48103

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the Scio Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held at the Township Hall, 827 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. During this meeting the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold public hearings on the following matters pursuant to the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance of 2009, as amended:

A Variance # 1532, Christina Slade regarding property code, # R, 06, 36 435 988 1833 Abigail Way request to waive the requirement for fencing for a group day care home pursuant to Section 36.128 c.3 of the Scio Township Codified Zoning Ordinance.

Persons or their duly appointed representative having interest in said applications shall then and there be heard at the above described meetings or adjournment thereof relative to any matters that should come before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Details concerning the aforementioned matters may be examined by interested persons and written comments will be received at the Scio Township Offices at 827 N. Zeeb Road during office hours, weekdays, between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to participate. Accommodations, including sign language interpreters, may be arranged by contacting the Scio Township Clerk's Office at 734-965-2123 during the above hours, at least seven days in advance.

Nancy C. Hedberg, Clerk
Scio Township

Publish February 25, 2010

CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED 2010-2011 ENTERPRISE FUNDS BUDGETS

A Public Hearing has been scheduled for March 9, 2010 at the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center (WSEC), 500 Washington Street, for the purpose of discussing adoption of the 2010-2011 proposed Water, Wastewater, and Electric or collectively Enterprise-Fund Budgets. A copy of these budgets are available for public inspection in the Clerk's Office at 305 S. Main St.

THE ENTERPRISE FUNDS BUDGETS WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

Public comments, either oral or written, are welcome at the Public Hearing. Handicapped persons needing assistance or aid should contact the City Offices during regular working hours forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.

Teresa Royal
City Clerk

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Synopsis of Unapproved Minutes of the Lima Township Board, February 8, 2010

The regular meeting of the Lima Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Unterbrink and opened with the Pledge to the Flag. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laier and Zoning Administrator Frisinger. Also present a number of residents and guests.

Motion by Laier supported by McKenzie to accept the minutes of the January 11, 2010 Regular Meeting, and the January 18, 2010 Work Session. Motion carried.

Public Comment was received.

The Treasurer's Report was received.

The Zoning Administrator issued zoning compliance permits for three new homes and completed one final inspection.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to amend the agenda to add to New Business, consideration of approval of the budget cost of the lease and moving to the Chelsea Area Construction Agency (CACA) Building. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to table the approval of the appointment of William Coltre to the Lima Township Planning Commission to the March 8, 2010 meeting. Ayes: McKenzie, Bareis, and Laier. Nays: Unterbrink and Havens. Motion carried.

Motion by Havens supported by Laier to appoint Marlene Consiglio to the Lima Township Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term or until her planning commission term expires. Motion carried.

Motion by Bareis supported by Unterbrink that Application 09-003 Proposed Amendment to the Lima Township Zoning Ordinance, Small Wind Energy System be tabled to the March 8, 2010 meeting for final corrections. Motion carried.

Motion by Unterbrink supported by Bareis to add to the Lima Township Budget for 2009-2010, a new department within the budget for a total of \$9600.00 for relocation of the Lima Township offices to the CACA Building. The Budget will be adjusted from the Fund Balance of the 2009 Budget. Motion carried. The items included are: Lease \$2000.00, Telecommunication \$2800.00, Acquisition of Assets \$1000.00, Repairs and Maintenance \$3000.00, Capital Moving Cost \$1000.00.

Motion by Laier supported by Unterbrink that the Lima Township Board authorize the Clerk and the Supervisor sign the Lease Agreement with CACA. Motion carried.

Motion by Bareis supported by Unterbrink to contact Charles Nielsen, our current web manager, to conclude his work with the Lima Township Web Site and accept the offer of Paul Wensel to volunteer to maintain the Lima Township Web Site under the direction of the Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to table any action on the Planning and Zoning Enabling Class and allow the Supervisor to schedule a possible date and shared presentation with another township. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier supported by McKenzie to pay bills as presented, plus any others as required. Motion carried.

Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to schedule the Washtenaw County Road Commission Annual Meeting for March 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Lima Township Regular Meeting, if it meets the approval of the WCRC. Motion carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Havens to adjourn at 10:06 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Ariane R. Bareis, Clerk

Publish February 25, 2010

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Act 344 of the Public Acts of 1982 that a REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS session held on February 17, 2010, will be available for public inspection and copying from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at the Office of the County Clerk/Register, Suite 120, 200 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Publish February 25, 2010

TOWNSHIP OF SYLVAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF A BUDGET HEARING

The Sylvan Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for the fiscal year 2010-11 at Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, Michigan on March 2, 2010 at 7:05PM.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED BELIEVED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Township Hall, 18027 Old US 12.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act, MCL 41.72a-2) and the Americans With Disabilities Act ADA.

The Sylvan Township board will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audit tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 10 days notice to the Sylvan Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sylvan Township Board by writing or calling the following:

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk
18027 Old US 12
Chelsea, MI 48118
734-475-8880
Mondays or Wednesdays 9AM - 12 Noon

Publish February 25, 2010

NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHELSEA

OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS SECURED BY THE TAXING POWER OF THE CITY AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THEREON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Chelsea, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) for the purpose of paying the costs of acquiring, constructing,

furnishing and equipping a police facility, including related site improvements and appurtenances related thereto.

BOND DETAILS

SAID BONDS will be payable in a n n u a l installations not to exceed twenty-five (25) in number, with interest at the rate or rates to be determined at a public or private sale but in no event to exceed the maximum rate permitted by law on the balance of the bonds from time to time remaining unpaid.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable from the general funds of the City lawfully available for such purposes including property taxes levied within a p p l i c a b l e constitutional, statutory and

charter limitations.

RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS RESIDING WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY IS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY VOTING THEREON.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended.

Teresa Royal,
City Clerk
City of
Chelsea

Publish February 25, 2010

Dexter orchestra concert set

Parrish to conduct final concert; performance to feature popular music by Copland, Beethoven

In his final concert with the Dexter Community Orchestra, Music Director Donald Parrish will conduct some of the most popular music ever written for symphony orchestra. The concert will take place at 4 p.m. March 7 at Dexter High School.

The program starts with Aaron Copland's "Hoedown" from the ballet "Rodeo," followed by Edvard Grieg's Piano Concerto in A Minor, Op. 16. J. Jesse Bennett will be the pianist for the piece.

The concert concludes with Ludwig van Beethoven's popular and frequently performed Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, perhaps best known for the opening melody called the fate theme.

Pianist J. Jesse Bennett began piano lessons at the age of five with Irina Babina, a prominent member of the Ann Arbor Area Piano Teachers Guild. Bennett has received numerous awards, including being a three-time winner of the AAAPTG scholarship prize, alternate winner of the 2007 Music Teachers National Association piano competition, and the first place winner of the 2008 Michigan Music Teachers Association piano concerto competition.

Bennett is also dedicated to

community service. He performs at senior citizen manors and has had solo performances in Hill Auditorium as part of the fundraising efforts for Habitat for Humanity. Bennett lives in Ann Arbor and currently studies at the University of Michigan School of Music.

The DCO will conclude its fifth season on May 23 at 4 p.m. in the auditorium of the Dexter High School under the

baton of Anthony Elliot, the final guest conductor of the season.

Next season, the DCO will open under new leadership, selecting from the three guest conductors who have led the DCO throughout the season.

"I could not have asked for a better concert to conclude this season: great music, great soloist, great orchestra," Parrish said.

"It will be exciting to see what the DCO does under the new leadership and how the orchestra grows. I have been privileged to lead such a wonderful group of musicians and to have had such a fantastic audience and community support us."

The concert is free and open to the public.

TOWNSHIP OF LYNDON

NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 AT LYNDON TOWNSHIP HALL, 17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD, CHELSEA, MI 48118. TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

1. THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING
2. 2010/2011 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR LYNDON TOWNSHIP
3. OTHER ITEMS AS DEEMED NECESSARY.

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk at Lyndon Township, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118. Phone 734-475-2401.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meeting Act), MCL 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Lyndon Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 7 business days notice to the Lyndon Township Clerk.

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

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

Linda Reilly
Lyndon Township Clerk

Publish February 25, 2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

Washtenaw County has been awarded federal funds under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program.

Washtenaw County has been awarded \$222,555.00 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county for 2010.

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and consists of representatives from The Salvation Army, American Red Cross, United Jewish Communities, Catholic Charities, USA National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. and United Way of America. The Local Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the county.

A Local Board made up of representation from the Jewish Federation/United Jewish Appeal, Washtenaw County, Washtenaw United Way, Salvation Army, Food Gatherers, American Red Cross, Catholic Social Services and the homeless will determine how the funds awarded to Washtenaw County are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service organizations in the area. The Local

Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local organizations chosen to receive funds must: 1. be private voluntary nonprofits or units of government; 2. have an accounting system; 3. practice nondiscrimination; 4. have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs; and 5. if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying organizations are urged to apply.

Washtenaw County has distributed Emergency Food and Shelter funds previously with Shelter Association, Food Gatherers, SOS Community Crisis Center, Domestic Violence CenterSAFE, Home Center, Salvation Army Ozone House, and the Interfaith Hospitality Network participating.

Public or private voluntary organizations interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Larry Vaughn, (734) 971-8281 or Stephanie Jensen at (734) 222-6784 or jensen@washtenaw.org for an application. The deadline for applications is Friday, March 5, 2010.

Publish February 25, 2010

LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

As required by the General Property Tax Act public notice is hereby given by Lima Township that the 2010 March Board of Review will meet on the following dates at the Lima Township all located at 11452 Jackson Road, Chelsea, Michigan for the purpose of reviewing the 2010 assessment roll and hearing requests, protests or application for correction of assessed or tentative taxable values.

ORGANIZATIONAL & ROLL REVIEW MEETING
Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.
(Appeals will not be heard at this session)

PUBLIC APPEAL HEARINGS
Monday, March 8, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Additional dates and times may be added as necessary and full appointments for the above dates have been filed.

The Lima Township Board of Review will hear appeals by appointment. Taxpayers should call (734) 475-2246 during normal business hours to schedule an appointment. The Board of Review will meet at the times listed above to hear appeals by property owners or their representatives. The owner's representative must present a letter of authorization signed by the

Dexter Township

6880 Dexter-Pinchney Rd.
Dexter, MI 48130
(734) 426-3767

Members of Action of the Dexter Township Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting February 16, 2010

Agenda to be held at 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Supervisor Kelly, Treasurer Kinsley, Clerk Butler, Trustees: Brumfield, Knight, Lasker, and Marlowe.

Also Present: Patricia Sharp, Director of Planning & Zoning

Absent: None

The Board approved the agenda for the meeting.

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Webster Township

Regular Board Meeting
February 16, 2010

The Webster Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Kinsley on February 16, 2010 at the Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present: Supervisor Kinsley, Clerk Butler, and Treasurer Whitely. Trustees: Koch, Westman, Estleman, and Klein-Schmidt. Township Engineer: Zonik. Administrator: Pindza, and five citizens.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Approve Minutes: Motion: Koch, second: Westman to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 19, 2010 with two corrections under E. Second: Heller, E. FY 2011 and two Special Meetings: January 19, 2010 & February 2, 2010. All ayes and carried.

Supervisor Remarks:

Approve Agenda: Motion: Koch, second: Westman to approve agenda as presented. All ayes and carried.

Call to Public:

Reports:

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

B. Planning Commission: Report received.

C. Parks & Recreation Committee: No report received.

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

E. Sheriff's Report: No report received.

F. Zoning Board of Appeals: No report received.

G. PDR Committee: Report received.

H. Fire Department Report: Report received.

Next Fire Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. at Dexter Township.

Old Business:

A. Earth Art: Motion: Westman, second: Klein-Schmidt to postpone until the March 16, 2010 Regular Board Meeting. Whitely, Klein-Schmidt, Westman, Estleman, Kinsley, Butler, all ayes and carried. Koch abstained.

New Business:

A. Summer Festival: St. Joseph's Parish. Motion: Heller, second: Westman to grant approval to St. Joseph's Church to hold its annual Summer Festival July 16-18, 2010. Westman, Whitely, Heller, Kinsley, Estleman, Klein-Schmidt all ayes and carried. Koch abstained.

B. Murphys Temporary Structure Permit: Motion: Estleman, second: Koch to renew Murphy's Temporary Structure Permit. All ayes and carried.

C. Webster Roadside Spring Clean Up: Motion: Kinsley, second: Westman to grant approval to Webster Roadside Spring Clean Up to be held on April 17, 2010. All ayes and carried.

D. Flood Dam: Motion: Klein-Schmidt, second: Koch to adopt Resolution authorizing Washtenaw County Board of Public Works to take appropriate action to fix, repair the Flood Dam on the Huron River. Roll call vote: Koch, Klein-Schmidt, Estleman, Kinsley, Heller, Westman all ayes and carried. No vote: Whitely.

E. Proposed Planning Commission Budget FY 2010-2011: No action taken.

F. Lakeshore Energy: Motion: Kinsley, second: Westman to enter into contract with Lakeshore Energy to provide Natural Gas to Webster Township not to exceed \$0.71 per Ccf. Roll call vote all ayes and carried.

Correspondence:

Call to Public:

Adjourn: Motion: Klein-Schmidt, second: Koch to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. All ayes and carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Dee Heller, Clerk

Webster Township

Publish February 25, 2010

CITY OF CHELSEA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER, WASTEWATER AND ELECTRIC UTILITIES RATE SCHEDULES

A Public Hearing to receive public comment on a proposed amendment to the rate schedules for water, wastewater and electric utilities within the City of Chelsea will be held Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, Michigan. A copy of the proposed amendments will be available for public inspection at the City Office, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan, one week prior to the hearing date.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City Clerk at the Chelsea City Office, 305 S. Main St., Suite 100, Chelsea, MI 48118 or telephone 734-475-1771 no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing.

Teresa Royal
City Clerk

Publish Feb 25, & March 4, 2010



CITY OF CHELSEA

NOTICE OF MEETING OF MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW 2010 TAX APPEAL HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the March Tax Board of Review will hold a meeting on Monday, March 1, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the Chelsea City Office, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, in the lower level. All hearings are by appointment only.

The public sessions will be held:

Monday, March 1, from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 3, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Monday, March 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Board of Review will meet on Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. to review requests and make determinations.

Teresa Royal, City Clerk

Publish: February 18 and 25, 2010

CITY OF CHELSEA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 26, 2010
Washington Street
Education Center

Call to Order
Council Members Present: Mayor Lindauer, Albertson, Feeney, Martinez-Kratz, Anderson, Holmberg, City Manager Hanfman, and Clerk Royal

Absent: Others Present:

Craig Maier, Brad Roberts, Georgia Beeman, Ed Toth, Nancy Anderson, Mary Picklesimer, Jim Drollett, Konnie Kalmbach, Kim Garland, Mark Kiser, Laura Kaiser

Mayor Lindauer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentations

Mayor Lindauer presented Proclamations to Craig Maier and Jim Drollett for their service to the City.

Approval Of Consent Agenda

MOVED: Hammer SECONDED: Anderson to approve minutes bills: CAFA Amended Articles of Incorporation and Rescind Traffic Control Order #403. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approval of Regular Agenda
MOVED: Holmberg SECONDED: Feeney to approve the regular agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Council Business
2010 Poverty/Hardship Guidelines Resolution

MOVED: Martinez Kratz SECONDED: Hammer to approve the 2010 Poverty/Hardship Guidelines resolution. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

2. 2010 March Tax Board of Review Process Resolution
Monday, March 1, from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 3, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Monday, March 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

MOVED: Albertson SECONDED: Hammer to formally establish the process and set dates for the March Tax Board of review for the City.

City of Chelsea - All Ayes - Motion Carried

3. Iron Equipment/Maintenance Upgrade
MOVED: Feeney SECONDED: Albertson to approve the purchase of new ITRON mobile read collection hardware from United Systems in the amount of \$14,640. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MOVED: Feeney SECONDED: Holmberg to make the necessary budget amendments to support the ITRON mobile read collection hardware purchase. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

4. Adoption of Record Retention Schedule
MOVED: Albertson SECONDED: Hammer to approve the General Retention and Disposal Schedule #8. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Set Public Hearing for Sheridan Books IET application
MOVED: Holmberg SECONDED: Hammer to set the public hearing to review the application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption for Sheridan Books for Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

6. Design/Build Contract for Police Station

MOVED: Albertson SECONDED: Hammer to approve the design build contract with Phoenix Contractors Inc. Roll Call Vote: Five (5) Ayes, Two (2) Nays. Holmberg, Anderson, Motion Carried.

7. Heart and Soul Run
MOVED: Feeney SECONDED: Albertson to approve the bike race as part of the Heart and Soul Race scheduled for May 15, 2010. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION
MOVED: Hammer SECONDED: Martinez Kratz to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing current litigation and the purchase of

LIBRARY LINKS

Library explores film industry in month-long series

By Anna Cangialosi

Guest Writer

Michigan currently holds the title for highest unemployment numbers in the nation, topping the nation's 10.6 percent with over 14 percent unemployed. That number is expected to grow. Estimates predict that Michigan's unemployment is likely to top 15 percent in 2010.

One contributor to Michigan's troubled economy is the turbulent state of the Big Three automakers. But the state has also suffered from a slow-down in the manufacturing industry, which Michigan relies on for roughly 30 percent of the state's economic production.

Now, in the middle of a national and global recession, the State of Michigan is faced with the challenge of diversifying its industry and putting its citizens back to work.

In 2008, the state introduced the Michigan Film Incentive, a 42 percent tax credit for production companies filming movies in Michigan. The legislation includes incentives for employing Michigan residents and filming in specified "core communities." Michigan's 42 percent tax incentive is currently the largest film incentive in the nation. The introduction of this tax break has been a controversial topic in an area that has long embraced the nickname The Motor City.

For these reasons, the Chelsea District Library has chosen "Wheels to Reels: Movie-making in Michigan" as the theme for its 2010 "Chelsea Reads Together" event.

"Chelsea Reads Together" is an annual month-long series of programs during the month of March sponsored by the library and the surrounding community centered on one topic. A book reflecting the theme is selected for each age group and the community is encouraged to read the books and engage in the related events.

The theme "Wheels to Reels: Movie-making in Michigan" focuses on Michigan's transition away from dependence

on the automotive industry and casts a closer eye on the opportunities presented by the Michigan Film Incentive. While Hollywood alone may not be the answer to Michigan's economic woes, it is a high-profile industry whose recent activity in the state has garnered attention.

The Chelsea District Library's goal is to profile this burgeoning industry and inform the community on the Michigan Film Incentive's impact on jobs as well as the creative and economic climate of the state.

The featured books have all been made into films, and each film was made in Michigan. Adults will be reading "Anatomy of a Murder" by Robert Traver, which became a film by the same name directed by Otto Preminger starring James Stewart and was shot in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. The teen book is "Derby Girl" by Shauna Cross, which became the movie "Whip It," directed by and starring Drew Barrymore in 2009.

The selection for younger readers is "Stranger in the Woods" by Carl R. Sams, which was adapted to film in 2003 and features play-along activities for the kids.

In addition to discussions of the books and screenings of their companion films, the library will host programs on highlighting many aspects of the film industry.

The Purple Rose Theatre Company, founded by Chelsea's resident movie star Jeff Daniels, has been involved in a few movies set in and filmed in Michigan. Artistic Director Guy Sanville and his associates will share stories about their experiences filming the Michigan movies "Escanaba in da Moonlight" and "Super Sucker." Since these movies were made prior to the establishment of the 42 percent film incentive, this will be a look at how movie making in Michigan has changed in the past decade.

For a look at the future of film in Michigan, the library will host an evening dedicated

to independent and experimental cinema with a free sneak preview of the 48th Ann Arbor Film Festival. The AAF is the longest running showcase of independent, experimental and artistically-inspired films in North America.

Donald Harrison, executive director of the AAF, will be present to discuss the important role the festival plays in encouraging and promoting film in Michigan.

There are two panel discussions scheduled to address some of the major issues involved in Michigan's growing film industry. The first panel, "Film jobs in Michigan," will feature professors and instructors from area universities and colleges with reputable programs in film production and digital media.

The goal of the evening is to educate the public about the career opportunities made possible by the film industry and to examine the programs available to receive the necessary training. A representative of the Michigan Film Office will be present to discuss the industry's potential for economic growth and ways for businesses and individuals to participate.

The second panel discussion is called "Making Movies in Michigan," and it focuses more broadly on the pros and cons of the increased film industry presence in Michigan in general. Film producers will discuss the benefits and challenges presented by the Michigan Film Incentive and share their experiences making films in Michigan before and after the 42 percent tax credit was established. The topic has had its share of controversy since its creation and this event is designed to clarify what the tax credit accomplishes for the state.

To provide some events that offer hands-on experience, there will be workshops on screenwriting and hair and makeup artistry. The library has booked producer and story consultant Harvey Ovshinsky, whose production company

HKO Media, have been awarded broadcasting's highest honors including four CINE Golden Eagle Awards, a national Emmy, a Peabody, a DuPont Columbia University Award, an Iris Award from the National Association of Television Programming Executives, and the American Film Institute's Robert M. Bennett Award for Excellence.

Ovshinsky will lead a screenwriting workshop called "Writing for the Movies: How to Get Started & Stay Motivated." The workshop is open to both teens and adults and is aimed at helping aspiring film writers get their ideas on paper.

Teens have the opportunity to take part in a hands-on hair and makeup workshop called "Glamour & Gore." This event was planned in partnership with the River Gallery, a local gallery with contacts in the art scene in the area. Those contacts led to this workshop concept that will be led by hair and makeup artists who have done hair and makeup for films recently filmed in Ann Arbor.

The workshop is designed to illustrate the techniques used to enhance appearances for film. Teens will learn how to highlight the face for the camera, create glamorous hairstyles and simulate realistic bruising and wounds.

Movie screenings throughout the month will highlight Michigan-made movies. The event kick-off will include a screening of "Anatomy of a Murder" followed by a discussion of the film with University of Michigan professor Dr. Howard Brick.

The library will highlight Michigan's deer-hunting traditions with the comedy "Escanaba in da Moonlight," accompanied with a spread of Upper Peninsula snacks, including beef pasties.

Romantics in the crowd should bring their hankies for the screening of "Somewhere in Time," which will be preceded with a Victorian tea at the Chelsea House Victorian Inn to set the mood for the film. Michael Moore's "Roger & Me" gives a stark portrayal of the

impact of General Motors on the City of Flint, echoes of which can be seen in today's economic downturn and Michigan's continued dependence on the auto industry.

Northern Michigan University has generously loaned the library a display exhibit of "Anatomy of a Murder" materials created for the book's 50th anniversary in 2008. Throughout the library lobby and main staircase are various photographs of the author at work, the film actors working on the set, film locations and explanatory panels telling the story of the murder case that became the book that became the film.

The Chelsea District Library is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide equal access to quality resources that serve the lifelong cultural, educational and informational needs and interests of all people. The library currently serves 14,000 residents in the Chelsea district - City of Chelsea plus Dexter, Lima, Lyndon and Sylvan townships.



FEDERAL LIFELINE NOTICE

Verizon Wireless customers may be eligible to receive reduced-rate telecommunications service under the Federal Lifeline and Link Up programs.

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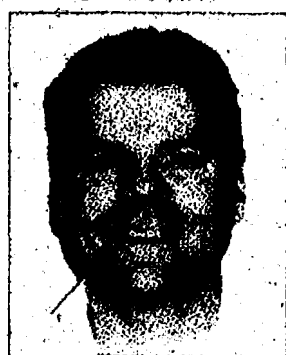
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**HAVING
A BALL**



BY TERRY JACOBY

'Blood round' is filled with emotions

The blood round. That's what they call a match where the winner moves on and the loser goes home. At the regionals, the winner goes to the state meet and the loser has to deal with the agony of coming so close to reaching the pinnacle of their sport.

Losing in the blood round can be devastating. All of that hard work proves to be not enough. Someone worked harder. Someone was better - at least on this day. Someone else is going to The Palace of Auburn Hills to compete against the elite. It brings out all kinds of emotions.

Those emotions took place on all three mats and all over the gym on Saturday at Dexter High School during the Division 2 Individual Regional.

A kid walks over to his coaches with his hand raised. He is greeted with high-fives and pats on the back. "You're still alive, you did it," a coach said to his wrestler. Finally, a smile. And the coach busts out laughing.

That "kid" was Alex Davis of Dearborn Divine Child. The junior came into the match with 39 wins and only seven losses at 285 pounds.

The "other" kid was Dexter's Josh Cash. Josh is a big, strong, young man. An offensive line-man on the varsity football team - just give the ball to the tailback and run behind Josh. Has to work. And often times it did.

He's also an excellent wrestler. You don't reach this level without earning that recognition. Josh, a junior, came into the match with 37 wins and only 11 losses.

But he wasn't smiling when he walked off the mat. While Davis turned to his left to celebrate, Josh went to the right to deal with the pain of coming so close to the pinnacle of his sport. His day was over. The Palace was no longer a destination for him.

And the emotions took over. Even this big, strong, young man couldn't hold back his frustration and disappointment. His coaches tried to console him. Teammate Dan Flowers walked over to him and offered a few words. But everyone knew that nothing was going to make this moment any better.

Josh was sitting inside a packed gym, but he probably had never felt so alone in his life.

What made it even more difficult for Josh was the way in which he lost. He was clearly the better wrestler in that match. He dominated from the start. He was forcing the action, never relenting. Josh built a 9-1 lead and was in full control of the match when he slipped and was pinned. The 9-1 lead was gone - and so was the season. Just like that.

PLEASE SEE JACOBY/4-B

Cooley, Ostrowski off to States

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

The present and the future were on display for the Chelsea Bulldogs on Saturday during the Division 2 Individual Regionals at Dexter High School.

Chelsea produced two regional champions on Saturday and also provided the motivation and experience for some young wrestlers to take it to the next

Wrestling

level in the coming seasons.

First, the present. Chelsea's Dakota Cooley ended the day the same way he started it - undefeated. The senior not only took first place at 140 pounds to advance to next weekend's state meet at The Palace

of Auburn Hills, but he also won his 200th match in his Bulldog career and improved to 56-0 on the season.

Will those numbers add up to a state title? That answer will come March 6 in Auburn Hills.

"He's looking good," Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel said. "There were several state placers in his weight class and he was able to defeat them. He's feeling good right now and hopefully he stays

healthy and sharp over the next week.

Cooley started his day off with a tough match. Even for someone of Cooley's stature, you can't take anything for granted when you reach this level. And luckily for him, he didn't take Highland Park's Jalen McCoy for granted.

Cooley won the match 5-1 to advance

PLEASE SEE STATES/4-B

'LATE BLOOMER'

CHS's Hudson almost ready for next level - first comes playoffs

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

Chelsea High School hockey player Dan Hudson wants to play at the next level. He believes he can reach that level. His coach also thinks he can. But first, Hudson has some unfinished business at this level.

"You know a lot of people didn't think we would be very good this year," Hudson said. "We lost our first two lines from last year and our top two goal scorers. We've had an up and down year, but we've gotten better and are first in our conference. Now, we need to play even better when the regionals start."

And those regionals start on Tuesday. Hudson, a three-year player on the varsity hockey team, is one of the reasons the Bulldogs have had a good year despite the losses of key players from last season's squad. Hudson is second on the team with 13 goals and 13 assists.

"The fact he has 13 assists to go with his 13 goals shows what type of player Dan is," Chelsea coach Don Wright said. "He centers our top line and he's the guy that makes things happen."

Hudson certainly makes things happen with the game on the line.

The senior leads the team with five game-winning goals for the 10-10-1 Bulldogs, who lead the Southeastern Conference with a 7-2 record.

"First of all, when talking about Dan you have to first mention that he is a quality, young man," Wright said. "He is a hard worker with a great attitude and has been an excellent team captain for us this year."

And on the ice, he's all business. "He has outstanding hands with one of the hardest shots I've seen at this level," Wright said. "He does everything for us. He kills penalties, plays on the power play and takes our important

faceoffs. He just works hard every day, whether it's in practice or in the games."

Hudson has always been a hard worker when it comes to hockey. Maybe it's because he got a late start in the sport.

"I'm what they call a later bloomer in hockey," Hudson says. "We live on Blind Lake and we used to clear off a rink and I would work on my shot. But I didn't start playing until the fifth grade which is a little late for hockey."

Hudson began in a Pee-Wee House League at the Arctic Coliseum. That spring, he joined a Bantam Travel team. The difference in skill level was enormous, especially for someone fairly new to the sport.

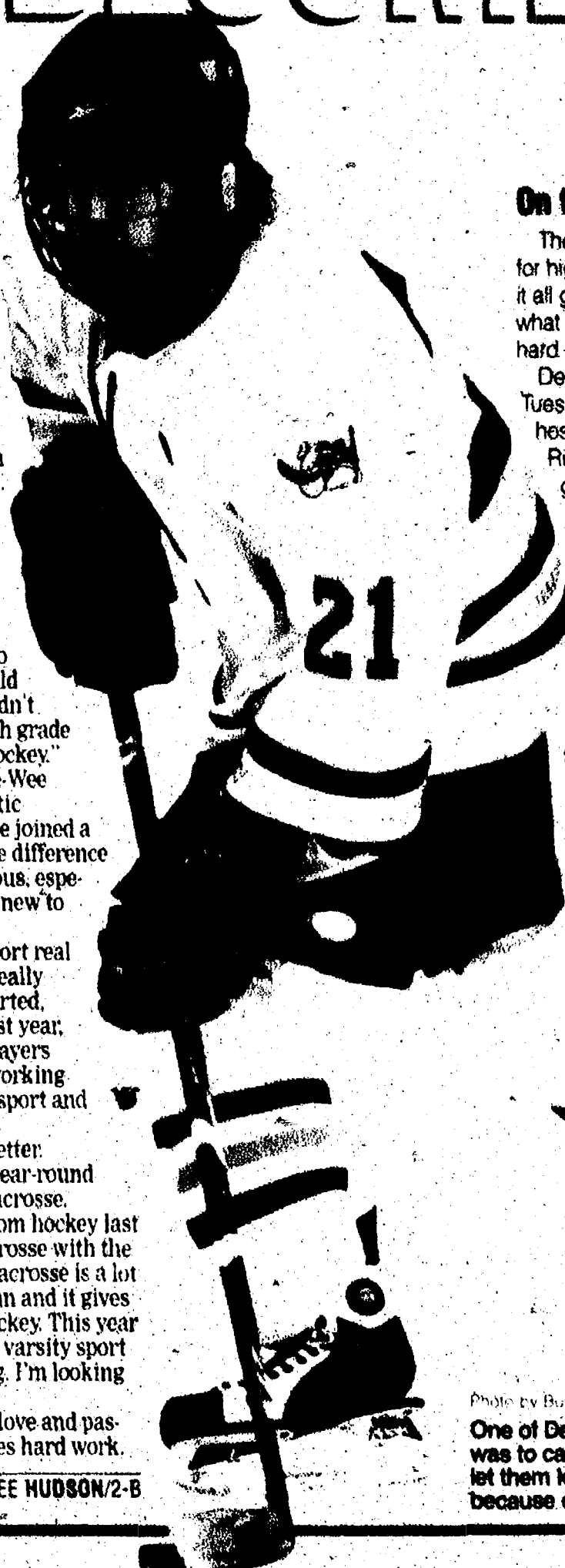
"I got serious in the sport real fast," he said. "I wasn't really that good when I first started, but by the end of that first year, I was one of the better players on the team. I just kept working hard because I loved the sport and wanted to get better."

And he certainly got better. He now plays hockey year-round - when he isn't playing lacrosse.

"I took a little break from hockey last spring so I could play lacrosse with the school team," he said. "Lacrosse is a lot like hockey. It's a lot of fun and it gives me a little break from hockey. This year will be our first year as a varsity sport so that should be exciting. I'm looking forward to it."

But hockey is his true love and passion. And with love, comes hard work.

PLEASE SEE HUDSON/2-B



On the Ice

The Arctic Coliseum is the place to be for high school playoff hockey action. And it all gets started on Tuesday night with what should be two closely contested and hard fought hockey games.

Dexter will play Lumen Christi at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the first game followed by host Chelsea against Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard at 7:30 p.m. in the second game. The winners will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday in a Division 3 pre-regional final.

Gabriel Richard has improved each year and they're a good team. I am expecting a tough game with them," said Chelsea coach Don Wright. "All four teams in our pre-regional are good and pretty evenly matched. Anyone of the four could win this thing."

The winner of the Chelsea pre-regional will face the winner of the New Boston Huron pre-regional at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 6 in a regional final also at the Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea. Monroe

St. Mary Catholic Central is a top-10 ranked team in the state and is favored to come out of the Huron pre-regional.

Photo by Burke Strong

One of Dan Hudson's duties as captain was to call his teammates on Monday and let them know that practice was cancelled because of the bad weather.

Bulldogs stumble with pair of conference losses

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

The Chelsea boys' basketball team will play its third game of the week tomorrow when the Bulldogs travel to Ypsilanti Lincoln for a Southeastern Conference showdown against the Rallspitters. With games earlier against Monroe (Tuesday) and a makeup game against Saline (yesterday), Chelsea coach Robin Raymond hopes to see some improvement as the state playoffs come into focus.

After two losses last week, Chelsea isn't ready for district basketball action just yet. Can they get it all together by

March 8 remains to be seen.

For the second time this season, the Bulldogs fell to Adrian, 60-49, on Friday. The loss dropped them to 6-5 in the conference and 9-8 overall.

"They aren't known as a three-point shooting team but they made nine against us," Raymond said. "They couldn't miss."

The Bulldogs led 13-11 after one quarter but fell behind 23-20 at the half.

"We didn't panic and talked about coming out strong to start the third quarter," Raymond said. "But they started off by hitting two three-pointers right off the bat

and we couldn't get back in the game. They play a 1-2-2 zone and just packed it in when they got the lead."

Colton Waterbury led the Bulldogs with 10 points. Brian Darwin had eight points and Charlie McCalla and Spencer Mykala each scored seven. Mason Borders and Patrick Roberts each scored four.

Earlier in the week, the Bulldogs lost to Ann Arbor Pioneer, 67-58.

The game was much closer than the final score indicates. Chelsea had a chance to cut the Pioneer lead to a point

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CHELSEA VARSITY HOCKEY



Bulldogs gear up for state playoffs

By Terry Jacoby
Heritage Newspapers

The Chelsea varsity hockey team took care of their place in the Southeastern Conference last Wednesday night with a victory in a match-up of division leaders.

The Bulldogs, leaders in the White Division, knocked off Red Division leading Saline 5-2 in a game Chelsea pretty much dominated from start to finish.

Chelsea improved to 7-2 in the conference and are 10-10-1 overall with the state playoffs coming up this week.

The Bulldogs scored four times in the first period to skate off with a commanding 4-0 lead after one.

Dan Hudson scored twice in the first period. His goal at 5:43 was assisted by Brad Hepler and his goal at 11:24 was assisted by Joe Hewitt and Steve Lesko.

Cody Johnson scored at 6:53



Photo by Burrill Strong

TOP: Goaltender Chris Boyd makes a save. ABOVE: Chelsea's Jacob Ryan heads up ice.

from Austin Sullens to give Chelsea a 2-0 lead. Charlie Hess, from Hewitt and Hudson, scored at 13:57 to give the Bulldogs the 4-0 lead.

Saline came back in the second period with two quick goals. The Hornets scored on the power play at 4:11 and then about a minute later scored a short-handed goal to make it 4-2.

But the Bulldogs put the game away with a goal from Jason Doyle with just 11 seconds left to play in the period. Hepler and Jacob Ryan earned

the assists.

Matt Darr picked up the victory in goal for the Bulldogs.

While the offense was clicking on Wednesday, it was missing in action on Saturday against Ann Arbor Pioneer. Despite taking 25 shots, the Bulldogs were shut out in a 1-0 loss.

"In the first period we played pretty well but we just weren't attacking," Chelsea coach Don Wright said. "After they scored they really got defensive and we just stopped going to the net. It was not one of our bet-

ter games. We had some little mental mistakes that ended up hurting us."

Pioneer took only 12 shots in the game, but one of them got past sophomore goalie Chris Boyd.

"It's tough to blame the goalie when you don't score," Wright said.

Chelsea played Howell on Tuesday and hosts state-ranked Davison at 6:30 tonight at the Arctic Coliseum.

The Bulldogs also host Monroe at 7 p.m. on Saturday in the regular-season finale.

Dan's World

Name: Dan Hudson
School/year: Chelsea High / Senior
Parents: Todd and Beth Hudson
Brother: Chris, age 13
Favorite player: Steve Yzerman
Favorite NHL team: Red Wings
Favorite college team: Michigan
Position: Center
Shoots: Left
Stick: Easton S-17
Skates: Reebok 9-K

HUDSON

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"I'm not the fastest or best skater around so I've been working a lot on getting better in those areas," he said. "I know I need to become a better skater."

Last summer, Hudson worked with Keri Keil, who teaches power skating out of Ann Arbor. Keil, who also teaches at the Arctic Coliseum, has worked with the USA team to help their

players become more powerful skaters.

"She helped me a lot with my techniques and my speed through the neutral zone," Hudson said. "I feel I'm a little faster now and can keep up with the play better."

Hudson knows what he needs to work on and is willing to put in the time. The goal is that next level and that's what he is shooting for as his high school career comes to an end.

"My first choice would be to play juniors for a couple of years and go to

a community college and see where that takes me," he said. "There are a lot of junior teams out there and a lot of tryouts so that's what I will be focused on this summer."

Playing for a Division 3 college also is on his radar.

"I just want to keep playing competitive hockey and keep getting better and see how far I can go," he said.

"My dream I've always had is to play in the NHL someday. I know it's a long shot, but I'm not about to give up on my dream."

Bowling Results

League Name: Junior House

RED Division	Won.	Lost
1 Lloyd Bridges Traveland	201 1/2	78 1/2
2 J & D Auto	134 1/2	145 1/2
3 Herndon & Assoc.	121	159
4 Government Cheese Film	111 1/2	168 1/2
5 Color Express Printing	99	181

WHITE Division	Won.	Lost
1 Mark IV Lounge	182	98
2 Jay-Mark Associates	162 1/2	117 1/2
3 Seitz's Tavern	142 1/2	137 1/2
4 Parts Peddler - Dexter	141	139
5 CFM	134	146

BLUE Division	Won.	Lost
1 La Jolla Shoppe	147 1/2	132 1/2
2 Cleary's Pub	135	145
3 Herrst Construction & BP	127 1/2	152 1/2
4 Michael's Construction	120 1/2	159 1/2

Hi Game: 268 A. Tobin
Hi Series: 734 K. Judson



Photo by Burrill Strong

Junior Mason Borders takes control and heads to the basket during a recent Chelsea varsity basketball game.

HOOPS

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with a minute to go but a three-point attempt wouldn't fall. The Bulldogs then had to foul the rest of the way and Pioneer answered by making its free throws.

The big difference in the game was the big man inside for the Pioneers. James Kelly, who stands at around 6-7, finished with a triple double. He had 11 points, 13 rebounds and 12 blocked shots. It was on the defensive end where Kelly

made life hard on the visiting Bulldogs.

"He really controlled the game inside," Raymond said. "When he wasn't blocking shots, he was altering them. We had to find our scoring from the outside."

And that wasn't working either for Chelsea. The Bulldogs shot a season-worst 33 percent (18 of 54) from the field.

Chelsea trailed 38-32 at halftime and 53-43 after three quarters.

Roberts led the Bulldogs with 19 points. Waterbury had 11 points and Borders and McCalla each scored eight.

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Briefly

Equestrian fund-raiser

The 2009 state champion Chelsea equestrian team is hosting a fundraising dinner at McDonald's of Chelsea. The all-you-can-eat Hotcakes Dinner will be held Tuesday at the Chelsea McDonald's located at 1535 South Main Street, Chelsea.

Tickets sell for \$5 per person from the hours of 4 to 7 p.m. You will receive the hotcakes and get a chance to meet the members of the Chelsea equestrian team that brought home the 2009 state championship title. The equestrian team is a club program that is not funded through the Chelsea area schools.

Tickets for this event can be purchased at the door on Feb. 23 or through one of the equestrian team members.

For more information, contact Leslie White at 734-417-6309.

Correction

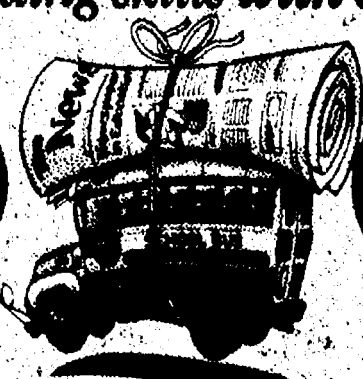
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Athlete of the Week

Stefan Elsager

Dexter Basketball

The Dreadnaughts have shown signs that they can play with the elite teams in the Southeastern Conference in boys' basketball. On Friday, they proved the signs are for real after knocking off conference leader Ypsilanti. Leading the way was 5-11 senior Stefan Elsager. The sweet shooting guard scored 14 of his team-high 22 points in the third quarter to lead the Dreads to a 48-45 win over the Phoenix.



Local Standings

BOYS BASKETBALL

Cascades Conference

1. Hanover-Horton	9-1	13-2
2. Napoleon	9-2	15-2
3. Mich. Center	7-4	12-5
4. Vandercook Lk.	7-4	11-5
5. East Jackson	4-6	6-10
6. Addison	3-7	5-11
7. Manchester	2-9	4-12
8. Grass Lake	1-9	2-14

SEC Red Division

1. AA Huron	9-1	13-3
2. AA Pioneer	8-2	10-6
3. Bedford	5-5	8-8
4. Saline	3-6	5-10
5. Monroe	2-9	5-9
6. AA Skyline	0-0	3-0

SEC White Division

1. Ypsilanti	9-1	13-3
2. Dexter	6-4	11-5
3. Chelsea	6-5	9-8
4. Adrian	6-6	8-8

WWAC (Blue Division)

5. Ypsi. Lincoln	4-6	8-7
6. Tecumseh	0-10	2-14

Huron League

Milan	7-4	7-8
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Catholic League (West)

AA Gabriel Richard	10-5
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GIRLS BASKETBALL

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5. Grass Lake	6-6	7-10
6. Hanover-Horton	3-10	6-13
7. East Jackson	2-11	2-16
8. Vandercook Lk.	0-13	1-17

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WWAC (Blue Division)

Belleville	7-5
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Huron League

Milan	13-1	15-3
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Catholic League (West)

Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard	
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Independent

Willow Run	4-10
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Local Schedules

Today (2/25)

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Addison at Manchester, 7 p.m.
Willow Run at Detroit International Academy, 5:30 p.m.

HOCKEY
Davison at Chelsea, 6:30 p.m.
Willow Run at Royal Oak Shrine, 8 p.m.

SWIMMING
Belleville at WWAC Blue Division Meet

Tomorrow (2/26)

BOYS BASKETBALL
Adrian at Dexter, 7 p.m.
Ann Arbor Central Academy at Willow Run, 7 p.m.
Chelsea at Ypsilanti Lincoln, 7 p.m.
Manchester at Hanover-Horton, 7 p.m.
Monroe at Saline, 7 p.m.
New Boston Huron at Milan, 7 p.m.
Tecumseh at Ypsilanti, 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Belleville at Inkster, 7 p.m.
Dexter at Adrian, 7 p.m.
Milan at Onsted, 7 p.m.
Saline at Monroe, 7 p.m.
Ypsilanti at Tecumseh, 7 p.m.
Ypsilanti Lincoln at Chelsea, 7 p.m.

WRESTLING
Team State Championship Tournament at Battle Creek, Quarterfinals, TBA

Saturday (2/27)

BOYS BASKETBALL
Belleville at Romulus, 7 p.m.

WRESTLING
Team State Championship

Tournament at Battle Creek, Semifinals and Finals, TBA

Monday (3/1)

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Ann Arbor Huron vs. Brighton, Class A District First Round at Dexter, 7 p.m.
Ann Arbor Pioneer vs. Dexter, Class A District First Round at Dexter, 5:30 p.m.
Ann Arbor Skyline vs. Tecumseh, Class B District First Round at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 4 p.m.
Belleville vs. Wayne Memorial, Class A District First Round at Wayne Memorial, 8 p.m.
Chelsea vs. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, Class B District First Round at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 8 p.m.
Milan vs. Willow Run, Class B District First Round at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 6:15 p.m.
Ypsilanti vs. Romulus, Class A District First Round at Wayne Memorial, 6 p.m.

HOCKEY
Division 1 Pre-Regional at Saline, 5 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL
Ann Arbor Huron at Saline, 7 p.m.
Belleville at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.
Chelsea at Ypsilanti, 7 p.m.
Detroit Community at Willow Run, 7 p.m.
Dexter at Tecumseh, 7 p.m.
Dundee at Milan, 7 p.m.
Manchester at Grass Lake, 7 p.m.

HOCKEY
Division 2 Regional at Chelsea, TBA

BOYS BASKETBALL
Class A District Final at Bedford, 7 p.m.
Class A District Final at Dexter, 7 p.m.
Class A District Final at Wayne Memorial, 7 p.m.
Class B District Final at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 7:30 p.m.
Class C District Final at Napoleon, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
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Class A District Final at Wayne Memorial, 7 p.m.
Class B District Final at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 7:30 p.m.
Class C District Final at Napoleon, 7:30 p.m.

HOCKEY
Division 2 Regional at Chelsea, TBA

Wednesday (3/3)

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Ann Arbor Huron, Ann Arbor Pioneer at Class A District Semifinal at Dexter, 5:30 p.m.
Belleville, Ypsilanti at Class A District Semifinal at Wayne Memorial, 6 p.m.
Chelsea, Milan, Willow Run at Class B District Semifinal at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 7 p.m.
Manchester vs. Whitmore Lake, Class C District Semifinal at Napoleon, 6:30 p.m.
Saline at Class A District Semifinal at Bedford, 8 p.m.

HOCKEY
Division 1 Pre-Regional at Saline, 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 4

BOYS BASKETBALL
Addison at Manchester, 7 p.m.
Allen Park at Milan, 7 p.m.
Dexter at Chelsea, 7 p.m.
Saline at Ann Arbor Pioneer, 7 p.m.
Taylor Trumán at Belleville, 7 p.m.
Ypsilanti at Ypsilanti Lincoln, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 5

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Class A District Final at Bedford, 7 p.m.
Class A District Final at Dexter, 7 p.m.
Class A District Final at Wayne Memorial, 7 p.m.
Class B District Final at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 7:30 p.m.
Class C District Final at Napoleon, 7:30 p.m.

Local Leaders

BOYS BASKETBALL

Scoring

Maurice Jordan, WR	19.1
Mohamad Conde, B	16.3
A.J. Mathew, AAH	16.2
Connor Heine, YP	15.5
Josh Herbeck, AGR	15.1
Jamaar Bonner, WR	14.9
Ke'Andre Taylor, YL	14.0
Andrew Dillon, YL	14.0
Patrick Roberts CH	13.9
James Kelly, AAP	13.3
D. Hendrickson, SL	13.1
David Veals, AAP	12.9
Stefan Elsager, DX	12.8
Corwin Every, MN	12.3
Brandon Carmack, SL	11.6
Josh Blades MN	11.5
Kyle Woodyard YP	11.0
Dave LaMore, DX	10.9
Reece Dils, SL	10.5
Devontaye Hinton, WR	10.3
Kamari Davis, AGR	10.0
Anthony Isom, B	9.2
Matt Jenkins, AGR	8.4
Keith Mackie, AGR	8.4
Reno Boyd, WR	8.3
Javaunte Mackson, B	7.8
Page Luther, ARG	7.6
Charlier McCalla CH	7.5
Taylor Braham, SL	7.5
Logan Zigala MN	7.5
Brandon Casey MN	6.7
Mike Kedroske, DX	6.6
D. Washington, AGR	6.4
Donnie Eaton, AGR	6.3
Keyontaye Tubbs, WR	6.3
Marquis Saulsberry, B	6.2
Matt Muchmore, DX	6.1

Rebounds

Maurice Jordan, WR	14.7
Connor Heine, YP	12.5
Devontaye Hinton, WR	12.5
Andrew Dillon, YL	9.5
Mohamad Conde, B	9.3
Ke'Andre Taylor, YL	7.2
Josh Blades MN	6.4
Brandon Carmack, SL	6.0
Kamari Davis, ARG	6.0
D. Washington, ARG	5.9
Mike Kedroske DX	5.8
Dave LaMore, DX	5.8
Anthony Isom, B	5.7
Josh Herbeck, ARG	5.4

Assists

Keyontaye Tubbs, WR	6.1
Jeff Burroughs, B	4.6
Patrick Roberts CH	4.0
Matt Muchmore, DX	3.6
Kamari Davis, ARG	3.0
Jamaar Bonner, WR	3.0
Keith Mackie, AGR	2.8
Stefan Elsager, DX	2.4
Josh Blades, MN	2.3
Matt Jenkins, AGR	2.3
David Hendrickson, SL	2.3
Reece Dils, SL	2.3
Javaunte Mackson, B	2.1
Josh Herbeck, ARG	2.1
Kyle Woodyard YP	2.1
Corwin Every, MN	2.0

Stolen

Jamaar Bonner, WR	3.1
Keyontaye Tubbs, WR	2.9
Kyle Woodyard YP	2.5
Devontaye Hinton, WR	2.5
Josh Blades, MN	2.2
Stefan Elsager, DX	2.1
Mohamad Conde, B	2.0

Rebounds

Allie McAfee, ML	9.4
Tyler Richardson, YP	8.0
Allante Larkin YP	7.4
McKenna Erkfriz, MN	6.9
Samantha Harmon, ML	5.3
Lani Ernst, ML	5.2
Chastity House YP	5.1
Emily Werner, MN	5.1
Logan Sims, AGR	4.4
Natalia Collins, AGR	4.2
Taylor Parks, MN	4.1
Angela Broggi, AGR	4.0
Elly Mioduszewski DX	3.5
Sarah Goble, DX	3.3

Assists

Sarah Falvey, AGR	3.6
Sarah Moir, DX	2.3
Taylor Manders, MN	2.3
Serena Bidwell, DX	1.7

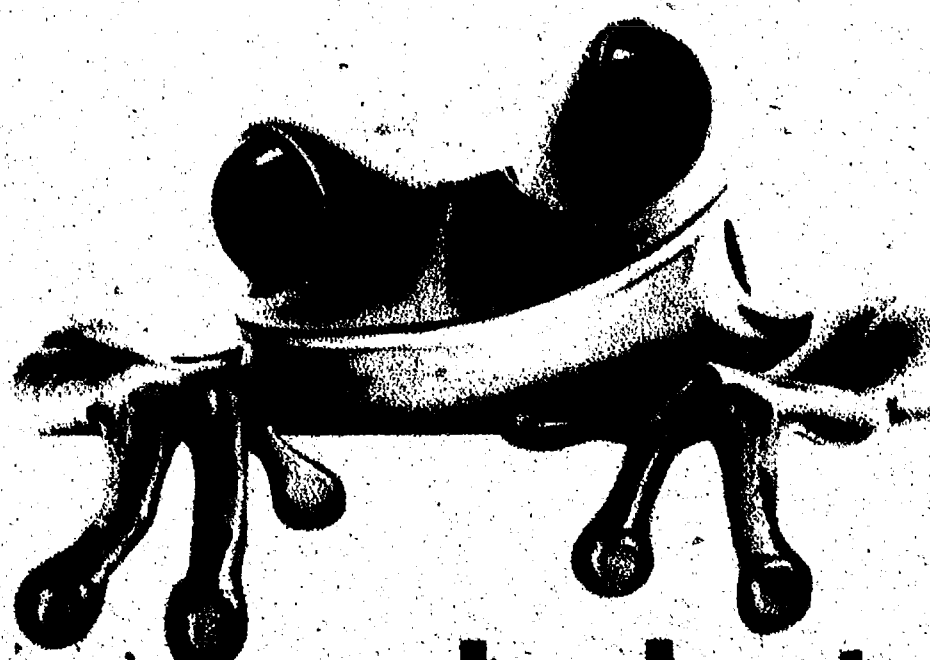
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Natalia Collins, 2.7	
Sarah Moir, DX	2.0
Taylor Manders, MN	2.0
Sarah Moir, DX	1.7

WRESTLING

Dakota Cooley, CH	56-0
Sean Dumas, ML	50-2
Tim Sims, ML	50-2
Cody O'Keefe, ML	50-3
Dan Flowers, DX	47-4
Drew Barnes, DX	47-10
Travis Ostrowski, CH	46-2
Jimmy Hamilton, MN	44-3
Matt Schultz, ML	43-9
Austin Deacons, MN	41-4
Steve Buss, CH	36-6
Johnny Wooliams, MN	38-7
Anthony Chisolm, DX	38-17
Vince Kause, CH	37-13
Andrew Nold, CH	36-9
Josh Cash, DX	36-12
Ben Doll, CH	36-19
David Wilson, ML	35-18
Tim Shoemaker, CH	33-7
Nate Fischer, MN	32-11
Alex Sloan, DX	32-17
Ben Pick, ML	30-24
Joe Newland, CH	29-14
C. LaDouceur, MN	27-14

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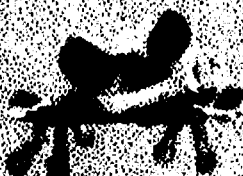
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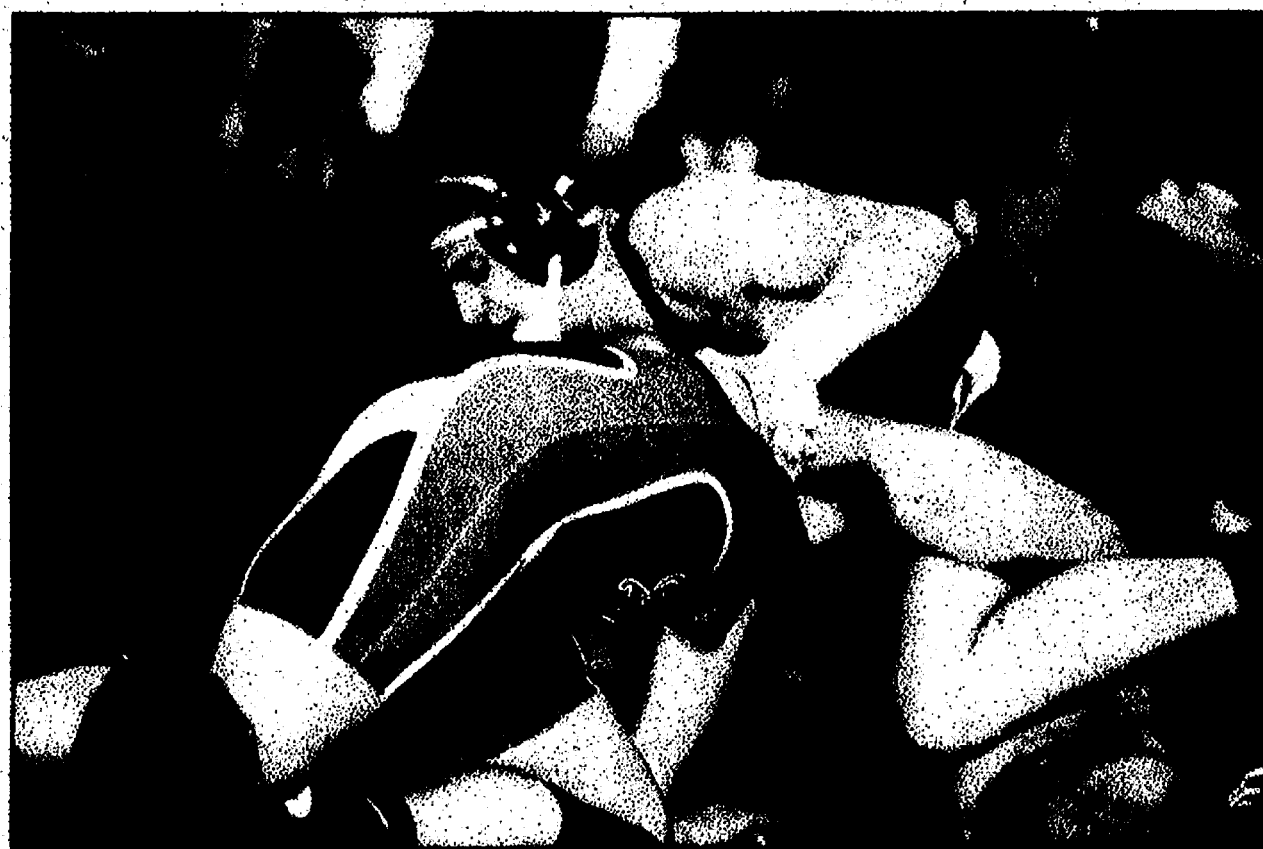
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Chelsea's Travis Ostrowski finished first at the Individual Regional to advance to the State Meet.

Stating his case

CHS's Ostrowski wins regional to get second shot at state title

By Jerry Jacoby

Chelsea's Travis Ostrowski is sitting in the bleachers on Saturday afternoon with some friends. He's already stamped his ticket for The Palace of Auburn Hills and the state finals starting on March 4. He's laughing and joking around while other wrestlers are on the mat fighting to get to where he's already sitting.

But while he might not look it, the senior wrestler wants more out of this day. He didn't come here to just qualify for the state meet. He came here to win the regional and give himself a better seed once he does walk out on the mat at The Palace.

Ostrowski looks relaxed in his seat inside Dexter High School, but he's only thinking about getting himself a better seat in Auburn Hills.

"Oh, yeah, I want to win one more today," Ostrowski says. "My day isn't over yet. It's important to get the best seed you can. It will help give me an easier match-up in my first round. My goal is to at least place in the top five at states and taking first here will help me reach that goal."

The senior did end up finishing first at Saturday's regional at 189 pounds and is headed to The Palace for the second straight year. Ostrowski, who improved to 46-2 on the season, defeated

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Travis Ostrowski
Chelsea wrestler

Carlos Harbin of Highland Park with a fall in 4:48 to start off his day on the right foot.

"It was close until the third period when I rolled him and then pinned him," Ostrowski said. "I was pretty excited to get a pin and get that first match out of the way."

Next up was a familiar face. Adrian's Andre White handed Ostrowski one of his two losses on the season, which he avenged last week at the district tournament. The "rubber match" had more significance than the

other two combined.

"The first match he beat me earlier in the season, but then I beat him 10-4 in the team districts," Ostrowski said. "So I knew this match was going to be tough and I knew I had to wrestle well."

And he wrestled well, pulling out a close 3-1 win in the second round to advance to the championship match. White was later eliminated by Milan's Matt Schultz. "I knew what he wanted to do so I was ready for it," Ostrowski said.

Ostrowski finished his day with an 8-5 victory over Ferndale's Lorenzo Lynch.

"He looks really good right now," Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel said. "That was a big win over White to get to the final. And taking first is only going to help him at the state finals. He's had a great year for us."

Ostrowski, who plans on wrestling in college but is still searching for the right school, will be making his second trip to the state finals. As a junior, he qualified for states but didn't place.

"This year I know what to expect and I know what I have to do to win," said Ostrowski, who heads to Auburn Hills with a 45-2 record on the season. "I'm pretty confident right now."

He certainly looked confident sitting in the bleachers. And that confidence only grew with where he now finds himself sitting in The Palace.

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to the second round, where things got really close. Dearborn Heights Annapolis' Steve Burkett gave Cooley everything he had before losing 2-1. Cooley won the championship match with a 15-4 decision over Riverview's Steve Warrington.

Chelsea, which hasn't had a state wrestling champion for eight years, could bring home two. Travis Ostrowski finished first at Saturday's regional at 189 pounds and is headed to Auburn Hills for the second straight year.

The senior, who improved to 46-2 on the season, defeated Carlos Harbin of Highland Park with a fall in 4:48. He beat Adrian's Andre White 3-1 in the second round to advance to the championship match. Ostrowski finished first overall with an 8-5 victory over Ferndale's Lorenzo Lynch.

Now, the future. While Cooley and Ostrowski will finish their Chelsea wrestling careers next week at The Palace, the program appears to be in great shape for next year and beyond.

Three other Chelsea wrestlers reached the regional round of the individual tournament and all three lost in matches where wins would have sent them to Auburn Hills. Kargel believes these tough losses will toughen them up for next year.

One of the future pieces is Vince Kause. The sophomore lost a close 11-9 match to Trenton's Brandon Charing in the opening round, sending Kause to the loser's bracket and a match-up with Dexter's Alex Sloan at 125 pounds.

Sloan came out of the gate strong. He was taking the match to his rival from the west. And after Sloan took a 4-1 lead, Dexter coach Shane Rodriguez jumped out of his chair and yelled, "keep it up."

He didn't keep it up. Kause went on the offensive with 30 seconds to go in the second period and grabbed two points, cutting Sloan's lead to 4-3 heading into the final period.

Sloan hung on to the 4-3 lead until the final minute. The Chelsea coaches yelled to Kause, "you gotta make something happen." And he did just that, getting two points with just 30 seconds left in the match. A roar came from the bleachers where the Chelsea fans were huddled and watching this close match unfold.

A great way to win. A horrible way to lose.

Kause's reward was Dexter's Dan Flowers, who finished second in the state last year.

"He was one win from the states, but unfortunately, he had to wrestle Flowers," Kargel said.

And Flowers already had his let down for the day, losing a match earlier to Justin Cummings of Dearborn Heights Annapolis. It didn't look good for Kause.

Playing The Palace

What: Wrestling Individual Finals

When: March 4-6

Where: The Palace of Auburn Hills

Locals competing: Chelsea's Dakota Cooley at 140 pounds; Chelsea's Travis Ostrowski at 189; Dexter's Dan Flowers at 125; Saline's Nick Pataro at 135; Milan's Matt Schultz at 139; Milan's Sean Dumas at 215; Milan's Cody O'Keefe at 135; Milan's Tim Sims at 145; Milan's RJ Gaskill at 160; Ypsilanti's Alex Lillie at 119; Ypsilanti's Greg Cheatham at 171; Belleville's Forrest Sampson at 215; Belleville's Brendan Papin at 119; Belleville's Tyler Schneider at 130; Belleville's Andrew Majewski at 145; Manchester's Nate Fischer at 103; Manchester's Ryan Abrigo at 112; Manchester's Austin Deacons at 119; Manchester's Cameron LaDouceur at 130; Manchester's Johnny Wooliams at 140; Manchester's Jimmy Hamilton at 145; and Manchester's Dylan Neff at 285.

Opening Day: The opening day of the state meet is a special event for all the wrestlers and their families and friends. Following the weigh-in of all wrestlers, the participants partake in the "Grand March" and parade around The Palace. All four divisions then begin wrestling.

Facts and figures: All four divisions will compete at The Palace. The top four wrestlers in the four regionals for each division held Saturday advanced for a total of 16 wrestlers in each division's weight class and a grand total of 896 competitors. The top eight in each weight class in each division earn medals. The format is double-elimination, but wrestlers could end up losing three times depending on matches to decide final places.

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Chelsea's Vince Kause puts the hurt on Dexter's Alex Sloan.

"I thought Vince did an excellent job," Kargel said. "He gave Flowers five points right away and against a wrestler of that quality, it's tough to come back from that. Had it only been two points, it would have been interesting."

Flowers won the match 5-2 and finished third at the regional. Kause ended an excellent season with a 37-13 record.

"This was a good match for Vince and one I think he needed," Kargel said. "This will push him even harder next year. He learned that he can go toe-to-toe with the best in the state. He knows what it takes now. He's now lost two years in the blood round even though he wrestled well."

There is a next level for Kause and Kargel expects him to reach it next year.

The same can be said for another sophomore, Ben Doll, who also lost in the blood round.

"Ben really improved over the course of the season and really had an excellent year for us," Kargel said. "He also fell behind 5-0 and couldn't come back from that. It's a big hurdle at this level."

Doll lost his opening-round match 12-3 to Keegan Cummings of Dearborn Heights Annapolis

at 112 pounds. But the Bulldog showed some bite by defeating Eric Brooks of Eaton Rapids 6-5 in the first round of the loser's bracket. That set up the do-or-die match with Rahal Mouhamad of Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

Doll lost 12-3 to finish the season with a 36-19 overall record. Mouhamad ended up third overall.

Andrew Nold proved he belonged in this class of elite wrestlers when he won his opening match. The Chelsea junior knocked off Adnan Bersilha of Dearborn Heights Annapolis 5-3 to advance to the second round. But Nold lost to Jeff Jenkins of Tecumseh 5-3 to drop down to the loser's bracket.

"He gave Jenkins a tough match and was actually leading at one point. He gave a great effort," Kargel said. Jenkins went on to take first overall at 130 pounds.

Nold's season came to an end with an 11-2 loss to Timothy Scott of Highland Park.

"Sometimes, a certain wrestler's style causes problems and that's what happened with Andrew," Kargel said. "Andrew's style just wasn't a good fit with his."

Nold finished his season at 36-9.

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"When you care that much, it really blows to lose. And every wrestler at this level cares," says Chelsea assistant coach Dale Queenan, an outstanding wrestler at Saline during his high school days. He can easily relate to how both Davis and Cash felt after the match.

"It gets really emotional," Queenan says. "These kids work so hard and most of them work year-round. It's tough when you come so close and not get there."

The blood round is as intense as any event in high school sports. It's you against the other guy and there is only one winner. You can't rely on your teammates. Your coaches can only do so much. It's strength vs. strength. Quickness vs. quickness. And at this level, intelligence vs. intelligence.

"You have to wrestle smart when you get here," Queenan says. "Moves you can get away with during the season don't always work here. One state qualifier from last year tried his patented move at the start of a match and he ended up losing. It worked a lot against inexperienced wrestlers, but you can't try that stuff here. It's not going to work. Not here."

There are even some unex-



Photos by Mary Kumbier
Dexter's Josh Cash (right) had the upper hand on Alex Davis of Dearborn Divine Child throughout their match at 285 pounds before Davis turned the tables and pinned Cash on Saturday.

pected emotions that come out of the blood round. And it has to do with expectations.

Dexter's Dan Flowers was a favorite to finish first at these regionals at 125 pounds. But a surprising 9-0 loss to Justin Cummings of Dearborn Heights Annapolis sent Flowers to the loser bracket. He would now have to really fight to get back the state finals, where he finished second last year.

After his win over Chelsea's Vince Kause to earn his trip to The Palace, Flowers was anything but excited. He ripped off his head gear and yelled, "I'm

wrestling like crap." Sweat and tears. Expectations and emotions.

Even with so much on the line in the blood round, it's amazing how these young men carry themselves. Sure, there will be a head gear or two flying through the air. Sure, a bleacher may get slapped or kicked. But for the most part, the emotional reaction is both controlled and understandable.

Both wrestlers slap hands after the match. Both go and shake hands with the opposing coaches. Cliche or not, both are winners just for reaching this

level. And sportsmanship is the big winner on this day. Wrestling truly is a unique sport.

"I think wrestling is making a comeback," Queenan says. "We had some down years there for awhile and it looked like the sport might be in trouble. But it's really growing again in popularity."

Queenan thinks economics might be playing a part in the resurgence.

"All you need is a \$20 pair of shoes to wrestle," he said. "It doesn't cost the family a lot of money for their son to wrestle."

And kudos to the many volunteers at Dexter High School for their hard work on Saturday.

The Dexter wrestlers who didn't qualify along with parents and other school officials all pulled together to pull off a successful event. Volunteers worked the scoring tables, the

concession stand, the ticket booth and anywhere they were needed.

"When you care that much, it really shows. And it showed on Saturday. Bravo, Dexter!"

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Memories on ice

Fishing Derby on Cavanaugh Lake is one of the year's early highlights

Last year's Ice Fishing Derby on Cavanaugh Lake hosted by the American Legion was amazingly fun and this year's outing was no exception. I saw things this year that still leave me shaking my head in awe. Furthermore, I brought my son along for the ride - for better or worse. He didn't like the idea of getting up early, but wound up having a great day begging me not to go home many hours later.

Donny Bollinger and I had made arrangements to meet in the morning on the lake. Ricky and I unloaded the portable fishing shanty along with our ice fishing gear from my Grand Cherokee and we made our way onto the lake. We walked for what seemed an eternity on the ice looking for Donny, but we couldn't find him. I decided to call Donny after walking around the lake for about an hour but couldn't get an answer.

So, there I stood on the ice looking around like a lost puppy while my son happily slid on the ice. There was an unusually large shanty that caught my eye and I recognized the name written on its exterior. "I remember that guy," I said to myself. I took his picture holding a huge northern pike he speared at last year's event. He seemed like a nice enough guy then and I could use a friendly face right about now.

I knocked on Ed's shanty and he came out to say

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hello. To my surprise, he had his two young daughters with him. Olivia is 8 years old and Veronica is a mere 6 years old. They were the sweetest little girls and I couldn't believe they loved to fish. But, don't be fooled by their sweetness. These girls are in it to win it.

Ed was nice enough to offer his spud bar so that we could cut through the ice and start fishing. Ed then offered up an extra propane heater for Ricky and I to use in our shanty. I couldn't believe how nice he was to us and can't thank him enough for making our day as special as it was.

We set up our portable shanty and started fishing. We were using wax worms to woo in the fish but Ricky was more interested in the snacks we packed earlier. So, there we were fishing and eating snacks in our shanty when something amazing happened. Ed's daughters hooked up on the

largest blue gills I've ever seen. They reeled in 2 blue gills both measuring over 12 inches each - that's over a foot folks.

To put things in perspective, I've been fishing for 35 years and I've never caught a blue gill that large. These fish were so large that Veronica took 2nd place in the Fishing Derby and became a "Master Angler" with her catch. If that wasn't enough, her older sister Olivia took 1st place and also became a "Master Angler" with her blue gill. Talk about a proud father, Ed couldn't have been prouder of his daughters. All Ricky and I could do was marvel at those two fish; it was so awesome.

Ed was nice enough to invite me in his ice shanty while Ricky played on the ice. Ed had quite the shanty outfitted with a nice heating system, a large sucker in the hole to attract pike and comfortable chairs.

A 24 inch northern pike came into view and attacked the sucker in just a matter of a few minutes. It was awesome to watch nature in its purest form. All in all, I saw 3 pike in just 20 minutes while hanging out with Ed.

My cell phone started ringing and it was Donny. He apologized for not calling earlier but he slept in by accident. It was ok because we were having a great time on the lake with new friends. Donny showed up soon after along with other friends and their kids. This was great for Ricky because he had

other kids to play with.

The kids were running as fast as they could and then sliding on the ice for distance. It was fun to watch all the kids having a great time on the ice and away from the video games that occupy so much of their time.

The Chili Contest was in full swing at the Legion Hall and I wanted to check it out. Some friends of mine were nice enough to watch Ricky while I hitched a ride to the Hall. One of my past clients was in the Chili contest and looking for their first win. Steve Daut and Susan Lackey were nice enough to let me sample their creation. Let's just say my breath is still shooting out flames.

Mark Ouimet was one of the judges and had joined Steve and Susan during my visit. It turns out that Steve and Susan took 2nd Place in the Chili cook off; congratulations to them both.

Luckily, I caught a ride out to our fishing spot again and began to feel tired. We packed up the shanty and said our goodbyes to everyone. It was a great day and can't wait to come back next year.

There are people out there who don't like to go ice fishing because of the cold temperatures. But, I challenge those people to get out there and give it a try. You'll have a ton of fun if you go out there with friends; it truly is all about the company you keep.



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ABOVE: Veronica Blissick, 6-years old, took second place for "youth pan fish" at the Ice Fishing Derby. Her sister, Olivia (right), took first place. Both girls attained their "Master Angler" award. TOP RIGHT: Steve Daut, Susan Lackey and Mark Ouimet attend the Chili Contest.

Down on the Farm: JV and Freshman

Boys JV basketball

On Friday, the Chelsea JV basketball team defeated Adrian 49-48.

Jacob Fischhaber led the way with 16 points while Jarred Scheese scored nine points. Six other players scored for Chelsea in the win.

"We struggled offensively during the week until the Adrian game," coach Mark Scheese said.

The Bulldogs were down two points with less than 18 seconds to play against Adrian. Jarred Scheese made a three-point basket with 3 seconds remaining to give Chelsea the comeback victory.

"It was a total team play with Max Giller throwing a great pass and Truman Hadley setting a very good pick," Mark Scheese said. "After two tough road losses it was nice to see the team respond with their best game of the year against a good Adrian team that beat us earlier in the year."

Earlier in the week, Chelsea

lost to Saline 53-35. Fischhaber had 13 points and Cody Barber scored eight.

"Against Saline we just missed too many free throws and easy shots," Scheese said.

Chelsea also lost to Pioneer 50-28. Hadley had 10 points and Dominic Davis eight for Chelsea.

Boys freshmen basketball

Luke Hollandsworth and Michael Steinhauer each scored 14 points to lead the Bulldogs to a 55-52 win over Saline on Feb. 18. Zach Rabbitt added 12, including 6-for-6 from the free-throw line in the fourth quarter. Jayden Sweeney scored six off the bench.

Chelsea then defeated Adrian the next day 50-49 in OT. The Bulldogs fought back from a six-point halftime deficit. Hollandsworth had 14 points, Logan Brown scored 12 and Rabbitt 10.

The Bulldogs defeated Tecumseh 62-57 as Steinhauer

scored a team-high 21 points to lead the way. Alex Maloney and Hollandsworth each scored 10 for the winners. Rabbitt added nine points and Brown eight. The Bulldogs lost to Pioneer 77-35. Steinhauer and Brown each scored eight and Hollandsworth had seven points.

Girls freshmen basketball

The Bulldogs lost to Saline 34-17. Margaret Lindauer had five points to lead the way. Lauren Jolly had four points and Anyssa Marsh scored three. "Offensively we struggled to get going in this game," said coach Kristin Hendricks.

The Bulldogs also lost to Adrian, 39-19. Lindauer again had five points for Chelsea. Liz Boyce and Laurel Hall each had four points. "We were right in this game until the fourth quarter when Adrian went on a run," Hendricks said. "I was proud of our team effort overall."

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Henry Lee Brandon Sr. and Gerva Brandon, Husband and Wife to Amerquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated April 26, 2000 and recorded May 8, 2000 in Liber 3844 Page 36 Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned through meane assignments to: Household Finance Corporation III, by assignment dated January 27, 2010 and recorded February 3, 2010 in Liber 4771, Page 986, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars and Seventy-Nine Cents (\$161,654.79) including interest 10.65% 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, Circuit Court of Washtenaw County at 10:00AM on March 18, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 487, Streamwood Subdivision Number 8, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 30, of Plats, Pages 10 through 15, inclusive, Washtenaw County Records. Commonly known as 7373 Hogan Drive, Ypsilanti MI 48197. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241(c), whichever is later. Dated: 2/18/2010 Household Finance Corporation III, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, PC 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No. 10-20081 ASAP# 3453388 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010, 03/11/2010

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: Ronald K. Boverder and Elaine D. Boverder, husband and wife, to Norwest Mortgage, Inc. DBA Directors Acceptance, Mortgagee, dated July 26, 1999 and recorded August 23, 1999 in Liber 3894, Page 309, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JP Morgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Nine and 65/100 Dollars (\$96,329.65) including interest at 11% 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 Court House Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, MI in Washtenaw County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 11, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 10, Signal Hills Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 41, Washtenaw County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee 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: February 11, 2010 Orleans Associates, PC Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 326.3259 ASAP# 3445725 02/11/2010, 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010

FORECLOSURE NOTICE In the event this property is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 70c of the general property tax act 1893 PA 206, MCL 206.5123. This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Carroll M South, An Unmarried Man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated December 18, 2004 and recorded December 22, 2004 in Liber 4447 Page 28 Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: HSBC Mortgage Services Inc., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars and Ninety-Seven Cents (\$134,172.97) including interest 5.25% 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, Circuit Court of Washtenaw County at 10:00AM on March 11, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 88, Willow Heights, Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 18 of Plats, Pages 45, 46 and 47, Washtenaw County Records. Commonly known as 1331 Harry Street Ypsilanti, MI 48198. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241(c), whichever is later. Dated: 2/11/2010 HSBC Mortgage Services Inc., Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, PC 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No. 10-20757 ASAP# 3443775 02/11/2010, 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, PC 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: Linda Rose Carrick, A Single Woman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Home123 Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 21, 2007, and recorded on February 28, 2007, in Liber 4809, Page 912. Washtenaw County Records, said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2007-HE4, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by an Assignment of Mortgage which has been submitted to the Washtenaw County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Sixty and 2/100 (\$142,200.62) including interest at the rate of 6.7500% 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 March 25, 2010. Said premises are situated in the Township of Augusta, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of Lot 1 of Golf's Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 11 of Plats, Page 64, Washtenaw County Records, thence South 89 Degrees 52 Minutes 20 Seconds East 116.80 Feet to the West line of a 33 Foot wide street, thence along the West line of the street South 0 Degrees 40 Minutes 00 Seconds East 127.00 Feet, thence West 116.35 Feet to the East line of Golf's Subdivision, thence along the East line of said Subdivision North 0 Degrees 51 Minutes 00 Seconds West 127.27 Feet to the Point of beginning. Commonly known as 9066 Augusta Street. 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: February 25, 2010. Randall S. Miller & Associates, PC Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2007-HE4, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 248-353-9200 Case No. 100M00085-1 ASAP# 3481555 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010, 03/11/2010, 03/18/2010

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: Maria B. Aviles, single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors, and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2005 and recorded March 29, 2005 in Liber 4467, Page 755, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Citimortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Eighty-Three and 72/100 Dollars (\$134,083.72) including interest at 5.75% 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 Court House Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, MI in Washtenaw County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 18, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 21, Prospect Woods Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 2705, Pages 805 through 864, inclusive, Washtenaw County Records, and any amendments thereto, and designated as Washtenaw County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 161, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee 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: February 18, 2010 Orleans Associates, PC Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 241.8214 ASAP# 3452916 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010, 03/11/2010

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: Shadrack D. Mitchell and Jacqueline V. Travis-Mitchell, husband and wife, to First Horizon Home Loan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 27, 2004 and recorded September 7, 2004 in Liber 4422, Page 644, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by MetLife Home Loans, a division of MetLife Bank, N.A. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Nine and 65/100 Dollars (\$180,989.68) including interest at 5.875% 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 Court House Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor, MI in Washtenaw County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 18, 2010. Said premises are located in the City of Milan, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 124, Meadowbrook Condominiums, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 4310, Page 709, as amended, and designated as Washtenaw County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 431, together with the rights in general common elements and the limited common elements as shown on the Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended. Washtenaw County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee 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: February 18, 2010 Orleans Associates, PC Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 236.7827 ASAP# 3452860 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010, 03/11/2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Francisca Fernandez and Kevin R. Riley, wife and husband, to National City Mortgage Services Company, Mortgagee, dated July 22, 2003, as recorded at Book 5, 2003 in Liber 2993, Page 982, Washtenaw County Records. Michigan Said mortgage is noted in PNC Mortgage, the National City Mortgage Company, a division of PNC Bank, N.A. assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty and 86/100 Dollars (\$302,220.86) including interest at 5.875% 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 am on MARCH 18, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Scio, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 26 A parcel of land in the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 2 South, Range 5 East, Scio Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, described as Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence North 89 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds West 917.43 feet along the South line of said Section 34; thence North 01 degrees 44 minutes 00 seconds East 720.26 feet; thence North 180.64 feet along the arc of a 230.00 foot radius curve to the left, having a central angle of 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds subtended by a chord measuring North 20 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds West 176.03 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 28 minutes 42 seconds West 353.37 feet; thence North 01 degrees 19 minutes 38 seconds East 170.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 16 minutes 00 seconds East 287.21 feet; thence South 01 degree 44 minutes 00 seconds West 6.05 feet; thence Southerly 180.64 feet along the arc of a 230.00 foot radius curve to the left, having a central angle of 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds; and subtended by a chord measuring South 20 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds East 176.03 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to and together with a 66 foot private road and public utilities right of way in part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 2 South, Range 5 East, Scio Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, being on 33 feet, either side of a centerline described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence North 89 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds West 917.43 feet along the South line of said Section 34 to the point of beginning; thence North 01 degree 44 minutes 00 seconds East 720.26 feet; thence North 180.64 feet along the arc of a 230.00 foot radius curve to the left, having a central angle of 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds and subtended by a chord measuring North 20 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds West 176.03 feet; thence North 01 degrees 44 minutes 00 seconds East 354.12 feet; thence North 189.34 feet along the arc of a 283.31 foot radius curve to the right, having a central angle of 38 degrees 17 minutes 26 seconds and subtended by a chord measuring North 20 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds East 185.83 feet; thence, Northerly 187.23 feet along the arc of a 276.80 foot radius curve to the left, having a central angle of 38 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds and subtended by a chord measuring North 20 degrees 38 minutes 46 seconds East 183.68 feet; thence North 01 degree 16 minutes 06 seconds East 570.00 feet to the point of ending, being subject to the rights of the public over the Southerly 33 feet thereof for Scio Church Road. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.324(1), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale TO ALL PURCHASERS. The foreclosing mortgagee 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 February 18, 2010. Orleans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48067-5041. 248-502-1400 File No. 001-0227 ASAP# 3448781 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010, 03/11/2010

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MORTGAGE SALE. Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paul J. Hilbert and Cynthia A. Hilbert, husband and wife, to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgage, dated September 9, 1998 and recorded September 28, 1998 in Liber 3770. Page 45, Washtenaw County Records. Michigan Said mortgage is now held by JP/Morgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the time of said sale the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen and 50/100 Dollars (\$102,316.50) including interest at 6.825% 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 bar 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 MARCH 18, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Northfield, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as Unit 106 of Eagle Gardens, a Condominium according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 3159 Page 620 through 696 and as amended by First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 3445 Pages 591 through 605 and designated as Washtenaw County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 221 together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978; as amended. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee 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, February 18, 2010 Origins Associates, PC Attorneys for Servicer PO. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 362-5762

ASAP# 3452952 02/18/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010, 03/31/2010

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MORTGAGE SALE. Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by **Lynne M. Stewart**, a single woman, to **Mayfield DBA Republic Bancorp Mortgage, Inc.**, a Michigan Corporation. Mortgage dated January 15, 1999 and recorded January 25, 1999 in Liber 3843, Page 689, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by **GMAC Mortgage, LLC** by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **Thirty Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Six and 17/100 Dollars (\$30,136.17)** including interest at 6.75% 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 Court: **Huron Street** entrance in **Ann Arbor, MI** in **Washtenaw County, Michigan** at **10:00 a.m. on MARCH 11, 2010**. Said premises are located in the Township of **Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan**, and are described as: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 7, Supervisor's Plat Number 15, a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 10, Town 3 South, Range 7 East, Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 9 of Plate, Page 27, Washtenaw County Records; thence East 10.00 feet along the North line of Lot 5 of said Plat; thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes 38 seconds East 150.00 feet parallel to West line of Lot 5; thence West 70.00 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes 38 seconds West 150.00 feet; thence East 60.00 feet along the North line of Lot 5 to the place of beginning, being a part of Lots 5 and 7 of Supervisor's Plat Number 5, a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 3 South, Range 7 East, Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. 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: February 11, 2010 **Orlens Associates, PC, Attorneys for Service** P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48067-5041 248-502-1400 Fax: 018 698 3693

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jason R. Balcom and Kathy F. Balcom, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated October 23, 2006 and recorded November 8, 2006 in Liber 4591, Page 572, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Citic Mortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Eight and 53/100 Dollars (\$232,098.53) including interest at 7% per annum. Under the provisions of said mortgage, said mortgage was voided of state court sale and provided, notice is hereby given said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises, some part of them, at public vendue 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 MARCH 11, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Scio, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 188 of Country French Estates, a Condominium according to the Master Deed thereof recorded in Liber 3392, Pages 815 through 861, Washtenaw County Records, and designated as Washtenaw County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 280 and any amendments thereto, last amended by Sixth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 4025, Page 213, Washtenaw County Records, together with rights in general common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCIA 600.3241i, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. **TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee 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: February 11, 2010. Orlane Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box-5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041. 248-502-1400 File No. 02/18/315 ASAP# 3440178 02/11/2010, 02/24/2010, 02/25/2010, 03/04/2010

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MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David Reynolds, a single person, to Standard Federal Bank, Mortgages, dated December 20, 1996 and recorded April 23, 1997 in Liber 3416, Page 52, Washtenaw County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Citi-Mortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Nine and 45/100 Dollars (\$56,779.45) including interest at 4.72% 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 vendue 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 MARCH 18, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and are described as Unit 74, of Harbour Cove on the Lake Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 3178, Pages 12 through 79, inclusive, and in First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 3187, Pages 961 through 963, inclusive, and in Second Amended and Restated Master Deed recorded in Liber 3195, Pages 439 through 519, inclusive and in First Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Master Deed recorded in Liber 3269, Pages 343 through 355, Washtenaw County Records and designated as Washtenaw County Condominium Subdivision Plan number 227 together with rights in common elements set forth in the above Master Deed and as designated in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of said sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a. If not abandoned the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing mortgagee 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 your agent as you may have certain rights. Dated: February 8, 2010. O'Connell Associates, P.C. Attorneys at Law, 200 P.O. Box 506, Troy, MI 48067-504, 248.552.1400 File No. 241.8350 ASAP# 3451298

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MORTGAGE SALE. Default has been made
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Leann Martin, a married woman and Russell
Martin, her husband, to Mortgage Electronic
Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for
lender and lenders successors and/or as-
signs, Mortgage, dated April 13, 2005, and
recorded May 3, 2005 in Liber 4475, Page 229.
Washnet National County Records, Michigan.
Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche
Bank National Trust Company as Indenture
Trustee for American Home Mortgage Invest-
ment Trust 2005-2, Mortgage-Backed Notes,
Series 2005-2 by assignment. There is
claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum
of Three Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand
Eighty-Eight and 4/100 Dollars
(\$373,088.14) including interest at 6.5% 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 Court-
house Huron Street entrance in Ann Arbor,
MI in Washtenaw County, Michigan at 10:00
a.m. on MARCH 25, 2010. Said premises are
located in the Township of Yerk, Washtenaw
County, Michigan, and are described as: Be-
ginning at a point on the East and West one-
quarter line of Section 10, Town 4 South,
Range 6 East, distance South 89 degrees 18
minutes 55 seconds West, 435.60 feet from
the East one-quarter corner of said Section
10, thence from said point of beginning along
said East and West one-quarter line South
89 degrees 18 minutes 55 seconds West,
311.58 feet, thence North 00 degrees 43
minutes 05 seconds West 224.85 feet,
thence North 69 degrees 18 minutes 55 sec-
onds East 750.00 feet, thence due South
74.85 feet along the East line of said Section
10 said line also being the centerline of Flat
Road (66 feet wide), thence South 89 de-
grees 16 minutes 55 seconds West, 435.60
feet, thence due South 150.00 feet to point of
beginning. The redemption period shall be 6
months from the date of such sale, unless
determined abandoned in accordance with
MARCLA 500.3241a, in which case the redem-
ption period shall be 90 days from the date
of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The fore-
closing mortgagee can rescind the sale in
the event, your damages, if any, are limited
solely to the return of the bid amount ten-
dered at sale, plus interest. If you are a ten-
ant in the property, please contact our office
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ruary 25, 2010. Office Associates, P.C. Attor-
neys for Mortgagee. P.O. Box 5041, 344
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Said mortgage is now held by the Bank of New York Mellon f/w/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the holders of the Certificates, Series 2006-AAA, Series 2006-AA, Series 2006-AB, Series 2006-AC, Series 2006-AD, Series 2006-AE, Series 2006-AF, Series 2006-AG, Series 2006-AH, Series 2006-AI, Series 2006-AJ, Series 2006-AK, Series 2006-AL, Series 2006-AM, Series 2006-AN, Series 2006-AO, Series 2006-AP, Series 2006-AQ, Series 2006-AR, Series 2006-AS, Series 2006-AT, Series 2006-AU, Series 2006-AV, Series 2006-AW, Series 2006-AX, Series 2006-AY, Series 2006-AZ, Series 2006-B, Series 2006-C, Series 2006-D, Series 2006-E, Series 2006-F, Series 2006-G, Series 2006-H, Series 2006-I, Series 2006-J, Series 2006-K, Series 2006-L, Series 2006-M, Series 2006-N, Series 2006-O, Series 2006-P, Series 2006-Q, Series 2006-R, Series 2006-S, Series 2006-T, Series 2006-U, Series 2006-V, Series 2006-W, Series 2006-X, Series 2006-Y, Series 2006-Z, Series 2006-1, Series 2006-2, Series 2006-3, Series 2006-4, 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Megan, a young sewer, spins wool on a spinning wheel in Chelsea.



Shoppers browse piles of wool at the Spinners Flock Fleece Fair in Chelsea.



Shoppers browse selections at the Spinners Flock Fleece Fair in Chelsea Saturday.



Diane Schwyn shows off various handmade wool items.

Fun with fleece

Chelsea's Spinner's Flock Fleece Fair took place Feb. 20 at Beach Middle School. Members offered everything from local wool and handspun yarn to finished pieces and demonstrations. The club is a highly successful local spinning and weaving group, with upwards of 100 members, including some nationally known artists.



Rebecca Hermen spins wool with a drop spindle.



Jan Vandenhoust shows off 100 percent Alpaca wool.

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A2 Civic Center Theatre to put on 'The Hound of the Baskervilles'

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre presents the classic Sherlock Holmes mystery "The Hound of the Baskervilles," March 11 through 14 at the University of Michigan's Arthur Miller Theatre.

Performances are 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets prices are \$18 for adults, \$16 for seniors, \$10 for students and \$14 for all tickets on Thursday.

In playwright Tim Kelly's snappy adaptation of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's most popular novel, Sherlock Holmes (Tom Underwood) heads to the moor with his colleague, Dr. Watson (Jon Elliott), to protect Sir Henry Baskerville (Nick Boyer) from an ancient family curse that is suspected of killing his late uncle. The curse manifests in the form of a gigantic, supernatural hound, but does the mythic beast really exist, or is it a distraction carefully maintained and manipulated by a murderer?

Everyone at Baskerville Hall has something to hide, and Holmes sorts through their stories in his singular style.

Civic Theatre mainstay Charles Sutherland plays Barrymore, the butler, and Breeda Kelly Miller is Mrs. Barrymore, the housekeeper.

Other familiar faces are David Widmayer as neighbor Jack Stapleton and Brittany Batell as Perkins, the maid.

Civic newcomers include Sarah Burgin as Lady Agatha Mortimer, Anna Paone as Laura Lyons and Danielle Nicholls as Sir Henry's love interest, Kathy Stapleton.



Photos courtesy of Tom Steppie

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre's production of "The Hound of the Baskervilles" includes Jon Elliott (left), Danielle Nicholls, Tom Underwood.

Fans of the novel will be pleased to see much of Conan Doyle's original dialogue intact, but playwright Kelly also has a few new tricks up his sleeve, designed to baffle both the savvy amateur sleuth in the audience and the world of fiction's greatest consulting detective.

Tickets are available online at www.a2ct.org, by calling the office at 971-2228, at the theater's office at 322 W. Ann St., or at the door. Additional information is available by visiting www.a2ct.org.



Fiddlers ReStrung to perform Friday



Fiddlers ReStrung will perform Friday in Saline. Pictured are Allison Westfall (left), Joel Bohnen, Christina Radak and Sabine Bickford; second row, Trevor Morrison (left), Anjali Saripelli, Adriane Rasmussen, Mickey Stimec, Sean Chene, Becca Wright and Sarah Vaughn; third row, Anand Saripelli (left), Jeremy Seeman and Daniel Westfall. Marielle Driskell is not pictured.

Fiddlers ReStrung will warm-up Saline with a free concert Friday at the former Methodist church building at 117 S. Ann Arbor St., near the intersection with Henry Street.

The 7:30 p.m. show will feature some of the new music that ReStrung is working on, as well as some of the old favorites. The show is made possible through the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce in an effort to draw people downtown.

Fiddlers ReStrung will hold a special pre-sale-ticket offer for the group's Spring Hometown Concert with Darol Anger's Republic of Strings. The performance will take place April 24 at the Ellen Ewing Performing Arts Center at Saline High School. Tickets will cost \$10 for students and \$15 for senior citizens and adults.

At Friday's concert only, general admission Spring Hometown tickets will be available for pre-sale as buy-one-get-one-free.

Fiddlers ReStrung consists of students at Saline High School. Working alongside leadership, students craft their own arrangements and help make organizational decisions.

Night Life

Live music

The Ark
318 S. Main St., Ann Arbor
Telephone: 761-1451
Web site: <http://theark.org>
Thursday: The Guggenheim Grotto, 8 p.m., \$13.50, Celtic/British Isles rock/pop

Friday: BreakFest 2010 featuring Bonnie Rideout, Duck Baker, Rev Robert Jones Sr., and Bill Bynum & Co., 7 p.m., \$30, local/regional
Saturday: Mustard's Retreat, 8 p.m., \$15, Local/Regional
Sunday: Eclectica, 7:30 p.m., \$17.50, Genre-Defying
Wednesday: Catie Curtis, 8 p.m., \$20, Contemporary Songwriters & Groups

The Blind Pig
208 S. First St.
Telephone: 966-6555
Web site: www.blindpig-music.com

Thursday: Fun, with Cheap Girls, \$13/advance, \$15 day of, all ages, 8 p.m.

Friday: Eat Sugar with Prelove and Skeleton Birds, \$7/under 21, \$10 cover, 18 and older, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday: Nickle P., with Tickled Fancy, Burlesque Company, and Jamie Register and the Glendales, \$7/under 21, \$10 cover, 18 and over, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday: A Sunny Day in Glasgow, with Acrylics, \$8 cover, 18 and older, 9 p.m.

Monday: Blind Pig Karaoke, no cover, 21 and over, 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Blind Pig Showcase Night with Googly Moogles, Silver Beach Hotel, TFO and Mue Sephet, \$3 cover, 18 and over, 9:30 p.m.

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Thursday: Mossy Moran, 9:30 p.m.
Friday: DJ Big Daddie, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Saturday: KT's Alibi, 9:30

p.m.
Sunday: Traditional Irish Session at 7:30 p.m.; Stooz Karaoke at 10 p.m.
Monday: Pub Trivia with Barry Aherne, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Restaurant Appreciation Night.
Wednesday: Music Trivia with Barry Aherne, 9 p.m.

Crazy Wisdom Tea Room
114 S. Main St.
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Saturday: Thornetta Davis

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Telephone: 762-5740
Web site: www.liveatpjs.com
The club features live music five nights a week. Every Wednesday is Salsa Night.

Old Town Tavern
122 W. Liberty St.
Telephone: 662-9291
Web site: www.oldtownnaa.com

Sunday night music features live music from 8 to 10 p.m. focusing on local talent. Sunday: John Latini

THINGS TO DO: REGIONAL CALENDAR

ANN ARBOR

Flavors to Savor
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Flavors to Savor Cooking Class. Proceeds to benefit Grass Lake Sanctuary. Big George's, 2023 W. Stadium Blvd. \$15. 748-5538

Richard Hovey
8 p.m. Saturday. Veteran Detroit folk-style singer-songwriter. Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth, 704 Airport Blvd. Donation. 327-0270

Bob's Backyard Beekeeping
11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. "Bob the Beekeeper" will discuss small-scale and urban beekeeping to aid garden pollination, as well as to get honey. He will demonstrate basic equipment, but no bees. Free and open to the public. Downtown Home & Garden, 210 S. Ashley St.

"A Course in Miracles"
6:45 p.m. Monday. All invit-

ed to discuss this Foundation for Inner Peace metaphysical book. Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth, 704 Airport Blvd. Donation. 327-0270

Ann Arbor City Club Lunch & Learn
11:30 a.m. Wednesday. "Women in Michigan's History," with Beverly Fish. Michigan Women's Historical Center Hall of Fame. \$17.50. RSVP: 662-3279, ext. 1. 1830 Washtenaw Ave.

Swinging Strings Jazz
Noon Thursday. Guest pianist James Dapogny. U of M Hospital lobby, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, off Fuller Road. Free.

Tea with the Fairies
1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Thursday. Crazy Wisdom Tea Room, 114 S. Main St. \$10.50 (18 months and younger, free). Pre-register at 665-2757.

CHELSEA

"Gravity"
8 p.m. every Wednesday

through Saturday, through March 27. Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. 433-7673.

"Wildlife Safari"
2 p.m. Saturday. Nelson's Wildlife Safari presents hands-on introduction to unusual animals. Eddy Discovery Center, Bush Road, Chelsea. \$2 (family, \$5). \$6 vehicle entry fee. 475-3170.

Chelsea Reads Together Kickoff
1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. Film screening and discussion of "Anatomy of a Murder." Chelsea Reads Together program. "Wheels to Reels" Movie-Making in Michigan, runs through March 23. McKune Memorial Library, 221 S. Main St., Chelsea.

Guy Sanville & Friends
7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday. Discussion of making movies in Michigan with the Purple Rose Theatre Company artistic director, McKune.

Memorial Library

DEXTER

31st Annual Lenten Fish Fry
4:30 to 9 p.m. Fridays through March 26. Old St. Patrick's Church parish hall, 5671 Whitmore Lake Road. \$7.50 (seniors, \$7.50-11, \$6.50; 4 and under, free). 662-8141.

Mom to Mom Sale
9 a.m. to noon Saturday. Ann Arbor Jaycees. More than 60 tables. \$1 admission. Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Road. 1-517-605-6400.

Habitat for Humanity Fund-Raiser
4:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday. Italian Dinner and Silent Auction. Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 W. Huron River Drive. \$8 (age 60 and older, \$7; ages 5-12, \$5; age 4 and younger, free). 426-8480.

Draw Doubles Disc

Golf

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

Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel
11 a.m. Wednesday. Washtenaw County Chapter meeting on health insurance. Weber's Inn, Jackson Road. \$12 (\$7 first-timer). Call 665-9033.

"About Face Art Exhibit"
Through April 10. "About Face. Recent Portraits by the Whitmore Lake Portrait Group" featuring pastels, drawings and paintings by 13 artists. The Side Door Gallery, 8063 Main St., Dexter. Call 426-1581. Free.

"Maple Sugaring"
10 a.m., 11 a.m. and noon Saturdays and Sundays.

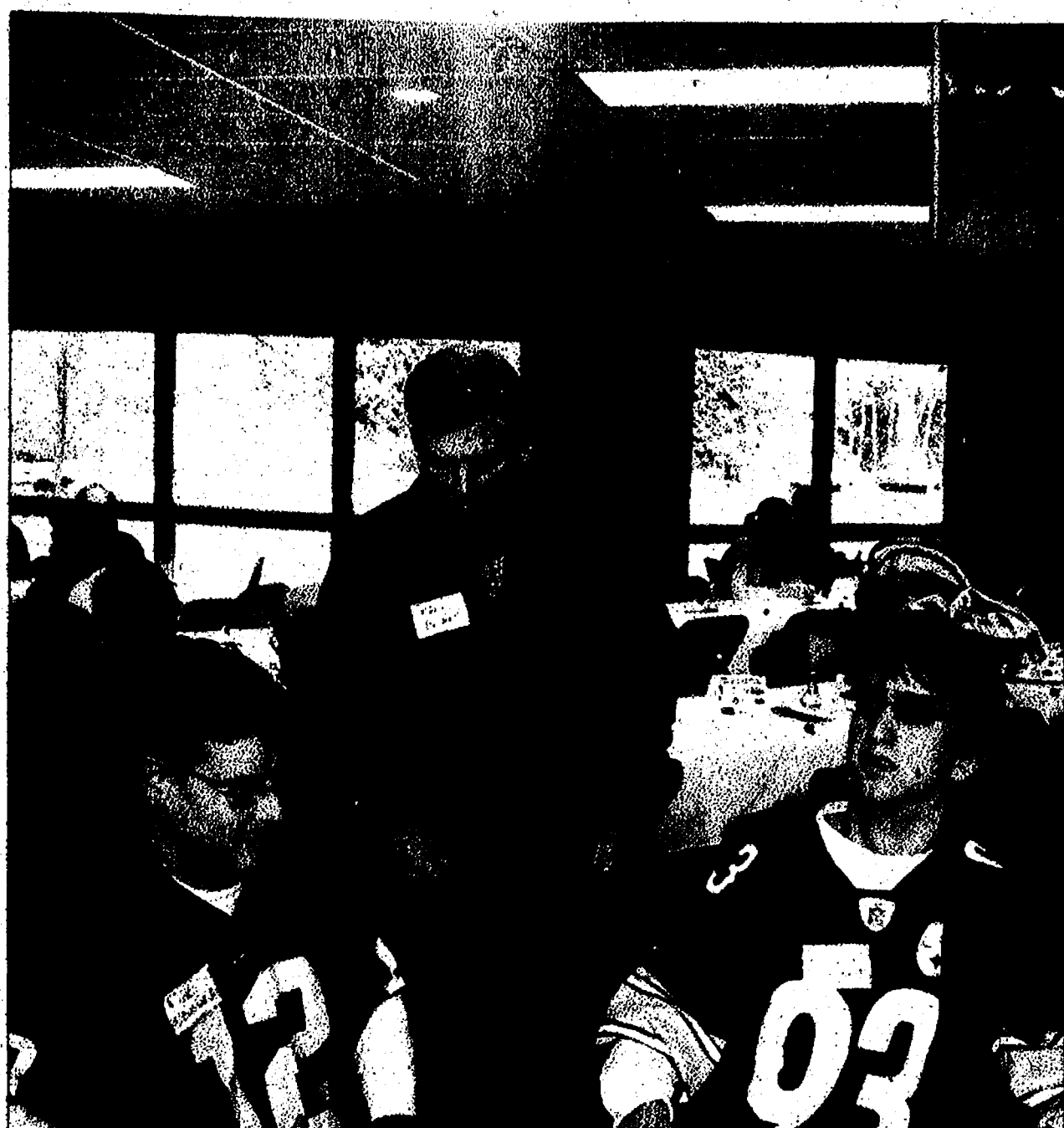
through March 27. Hudson Mills Metropark Activity Center, 8801 North Territorial Road, Dexter. \$2. Pre-register at 426-8211. \$5 vehicle entrance fee.

Dexter Community Band
3 p.m. Sunday. Dexter Center for the Performing Arts, Dexter High School, 2200 N. Parker Road, Dexter. Free. 426-2734.

Ann Arbor Model Railroad Club
7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Check out the club's elaborate layout. Michigan Central depot, 3487 Broad St., Dexter. Free. 426-5100.

SALINE

"Fairy February: A Downtown Treasure Hunt"
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Feb. 28. Search for 12 fairy doors hidden in downtown Saline businesses. Find all 12 and enter to win a gift basket. Maps at salinedma.org



(Above) Washtenaw County Commissioner Mark Quimet, R-Dist. 1, greets football fans at the Super Bowl breakfast in Dexter. (Right) Football fans enjoy a laugh after filling up on breakfast at the Dexter United Methodist Church.



Super Bowl breakfast scores big with fans

The United Methodist Men's Club hosted the second annual Super Bowl breakfast on Feb. 6 at the Dexter United Methodist Church in Webster Township.

The event, which was open to all Dexter area residents, drew over 200 participants to a breakfast of steak, eggs, pancakes and fruit prepared by local caterer Frank Schramm.

"The Super Bowl breakfast was developed for sports fans and athletes so that they can build friendships, have a great breakfast, hear inspirational talks by successful athletes, and celebrate the very best of

competitive sports on the eve of the biggest athletic event in America," Senior Pastor Dr. Matt Hook said.

DUMC member Jerry Mader, a football letter-winner from the University of Michigan, and Bruce Dishnow, director of Athletics in Action, emceed the proceedings, which featured AIA members from the University of Michigan.

Philip Brabb, a cancer survivor and kicker from U of M football teams of the early 2000s, presented one of the high points of the program, as he shared his life experiences both

on and off the field.

Current Michigan volleyball athlete and Ohio native Maggie Busch described her adjustment as she moved from a private high school in a small town to the life of a Big 10 athlete in Ann Arbor.

The keynote address came from a 2006 taped speech by Tony Dungy, former coach of the Indianapolis Colts.

Response to the event was positive and overwhelming. "Breakfast was great but pales in comparison to the courage and faith that Phil has in his heart," one attendee said.

Beck

U.S. Navy Seaman Apprentice Ruel M. Beck, son of Ute C. Arnhold of Fremont and Geoffrey S. Beck of Grass Lake, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Beck completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations." This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. "Battle Stations" is designed to galvanize the basic warrior

attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of honor, courage and commitment.

Beck is a 2003 graduate of Dexter High School.

Weiss

U.S. Marine Corps Pfc. Eric Weiss, a 2007 graduate of Pinckney Community High School in Pinckney, recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in Parris Island, S.C. designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Weiss and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In

addition to the physical conditioning program, Weiss spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments that included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. The recruits performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Weiss and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values — honor, courage and commitment.

Weiss and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour, team evolution culminating in an emotional ceremony in which recruits are presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and addressed as "Marines."

Jennifer Alice Adams of Chelsea, daughter of Bill and Bonnie Adams of Chelsea, and Kevin William Simon of Fowler, son of George and Cindy Simon of Fowler, were married on Aug. 22, 2009 at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Fowler.

The celebrant was Rev. Dennis Howard. Special guests in attendance were Alice Mitchell of Belding, grandmother of the bride, and Marilyn and Julius Theis of Fowler, grandparents of the groom.

The maid of honor was Julie Adams, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were Kristy Simon, sister of the groom, Lindsay Cook, Sarah Lundgren and Becky Motz, friends of the couple. They wore long, teal blue dresses with robins egg blue sashes, and carried bouquets of pink and purple roses, blue delphinium, and lime button mums.

The bride wore an ivory beaded organza gown with a satin sash, cathedral length train and veil. Her bouquet had white roses and hydrangea.

The best man was Eric Simon, brother of the groom. The groomsmen were Tyler Theis, cousin of the groom, Ronald Lovelace, Craig Arens, and Andrew Johnson, friends of the couple. The flower girl was Rachel Theis and the ring bearer was Alex George, cousins of the groom.

CELEBRATIONS



Kevin William Simon and Jennifer Alice Adams

The ceremony was held at 1:30 p.m. Afterwards, the couple took a ride in a 1928 Dodge Brothers Senior Six sedan. The couple then attended mass at 4:30 p.m. at Most Holy

Trinity Parish, which was followed by a dinner-dance reception at the Most Holy Trinity Parish Activity Center.

The couple now resides in Big Rapids.

Schauer tours facility

U.S. Congressman Mark Schauer, D-Dist. 7, met with local workers and toured Dexter Research earlier this month for an update on a U.S. Department of Defense project that could create up to 15 new jobs for Washtenaw County workers upon completion.

The 2010 Department of Defense Appropriations bill included \$1.6 million in funding Schauer requested that would allow Dexter Research to complete development of a Total Perimeter Surveillance System that uses a new infrared technology to identify and respond to threats from chemical or biological attacks.

"Protecting our military personnel and facilities from terrorist attacks is a top national security priority," Schauer said. "Not only will this investment help keep our nation safe, but it will also support a local small business and create jobs in Washtenaw County. This is a smart investment that will offer a much-needed boost to the

local economy."

Nationwide, there are over 200 key Department of Defense facilities in the United States which lack perimeter monitoring capabilities for the presence of chemical and biological weapons. Existing infrared systems are often bulky, complex, maintenance intensive and ineffective at sensing nearby threats.

"We appreciate Congressman Schauer's efforts on our behalf to obtain funding for this important work," said Rob Toth, president of Dexter Research Center. "The positions that will be created to support this project are vital to our future business expansion."

The TPS system developed by Dexter Research would provide a networked array of unattended passive, near-passive infrared sensors to provide 360-degree detection and identification of threats with sufficient advanced warning to Department of Defense facilities to respond effectively.



U.S. Rep. Mark Schauer (center) greets members of Dexter Research during a recent visit to the facility.

Upon completion of the project, Dexter Research Center expects to add a new production line to its present facility and add 15 new jobs — including high-

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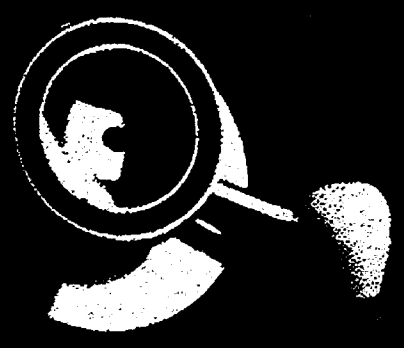
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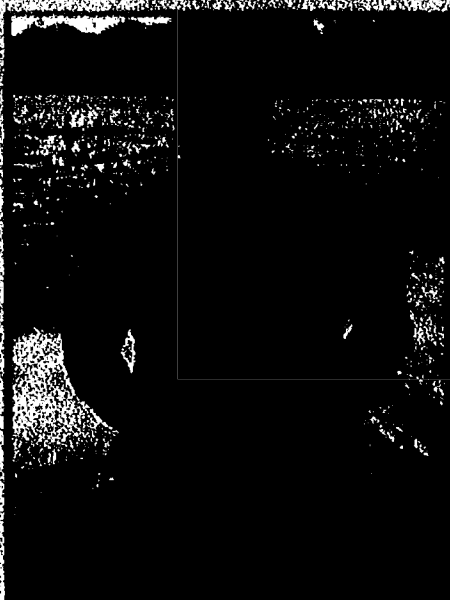
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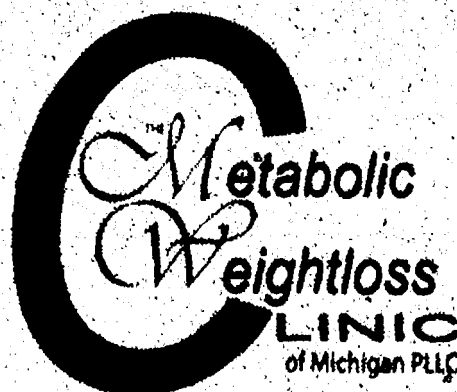
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The weight he gained was significantly impacting his health, mobility, and quality of life. He could no longer keep pace with his grandchildren; his knees bothered him, and just walking across the floor left him out of breath. Like so many people with a severe weight problem, Girardot tried all the weight-loss fads—and all of them ended in failure.

Girardot learned about the HCG (Human Chorionic Gonadotropin) weight-loss protocol on television. He was wary that it might be yet another weight-loss gimmick, but he decided he would consider doing the program if it ever became available in his area.

Then he saw an ad in a local newspaper announcing that the Metabolic Weightloss Clinic was offering the HCG protocol in their office, located at 106 West Front Street in Findlay, Ohio, and now in Saline, Mich.

"I was pretty skeptical, but I thought I'd give it a try. I'm very glad I did. I'm on my third session since June, and in that time, my weight has dropped from 338 pounds to 184 pounds," Girardot said. "Now, I can keep up with my grandkids and I'm doing things I never thought I'd be doing in my life. I'm even back to running every once in a while."

HCG is a naturally occurring hormone in women. Its role in the body is to help maintain pregnancy as well as provide a source of nutrients to the developing fetus by releasing the mother's stored fat. In fact, HCG is commonly used to treat infertility at doses of 5,000 to 10,000 units.

The dose used for the HCG weight-loss program at Metabolic Weightloss Clinic, which is based on a protocol developed by Dr. A.T.W. Simeons, is a mere fraction of that amount—just 125 to 200 units a day, administered via subcutaneous injection in the abdomen, arm, or thigh. There are no side effects to the treatment for either men or women.

The HCG dose, while very small, is sufficient to stimulate the hypothalamus to release 2,000 to 4,000 fat calories into the bloodstream. These released fat stores are then utilized by the body for energy. In essence, the body, while on HCG, gives itself a 2,000- to 4,000-calorie meal each day, which makes it possible for individuals on the program to stay on a very low-calorie diet (you take in just 500 calories in food a day) while losing up to a pound a day or more without feeling hungry, fatigued, or weak. It is targeted fat loss.

"I really had no feelings of hunger, which surprised me. When I heard that you eat only two 250-calorie meals a day, I wasn't sure I'd be able to stick with it, but there were times when I couldn't finish the food on my plate," Girardot recalls.

HCG also reshapes the body contour, accessing fat stores located around the internal organs, abdomen, buttocks and thighs, which are the most dangerous to your health. These stores are typically the last to be accessed through normal dieting and are usually lost only through high-intensity cardiovascular workouts.

The HCG protocol does not break down muscle so there is little to no sagging skin after the weight loss, except in cases of morbid obesity. Moreover, people on the HCG program who have elevated cholesterol, blood pressure, and/or blood sugar typically experience significant improvement in these conditions. Patients with

other health problems, such as arthritis, rheumatism, or psoriasis may experience improvements in their symptoms, as well.

Patients who need to lose around 20 pounds would typically follow a four week program with 20 daily injections of HCG, which they are taught to administer to themselves in the comfort of their own

you'll feel more satisfied with less food so you're less likely to overeat. There are a lot of foods that I miss, but you have to think about your health first."

Girardot, who describes himself as a "living testimonial to the benefits of HCG," gives credit to the staff at Metabolic Weightloss Clinic for helping him succeed.

87 percent of those who lose weight on the HCG protocol keep the weight off afterward. The program has been featured on Oprah, CNN and Fox TV with its successes.

homes. A session of treatment can continue for as long as nine weeks, but that must be followed by a three- to four-week period without treatment to prevent the body from developing resistance to the HCG.

It's important to note, however, that Metabolic Weightloss Clinic's HCG program isn't just about administering a hormone. Patients also undergo intensive nutritional counseling to learn how to choose healthier foods and manage their portions, thereby reducing the odds of putting weight back on. In fact, 87 percent of those who lose weight on the HCG protocol keep the weight off afterward. The program has been featured on Oprah, CNN and Fox TV with its successes.

"I'm determined not to regain the weight I've lost," Girardot states, "and I understand now that you have to change your lifestyle if you want to keep it off. I've also learned that your body doesn't need as much food as you might think. Plus, if you drink more water every day,

"The staff is on top of everything. They get back to you right away when you have questions or need advice, and they're right there for you whenever you need help with anything."

Dr. John Ross is a Board-Certified Physician who is dedicated to giving those in the community who need help to lose weight the proper tools to do so, as well as the opportunity to achieve goals they never thought were possible. No exercise is necessary. When a client reaches their goal weight and their caloric intake increases, then exercise is incorporated into their lifestyle at their ability level. The key is a balanced lifestyle.

For more information about the HCG program at The Metabolic Weightloss Clinic of Michigan, or to schedule a free consultation, please call 1-888-560-8446. Program information and client testimonials are also available online at www.michiganhegclinic.com.

Spring is almost here, and with it comes allergy season



Spring is synonymous with many things. The return of baseball. The smell of freshly cut grass. Warmer weather.

While many things we associate with spring give us good feelings, the dreaded return of allergy season is another thing that comes to mind when thoughts turn to spring. Sniffles, sneezing and general discomfort are all too common even for those with relatively mild allergies.

Though allergies might be a nuisance, they don't necessarily have to be much more than that.

What is an Allergy?

An allergy is an abnormal response of the immune system that occurs when the immune system reacts to a usually harmless substance present in the environment.

The substance is known as an allergen and, upon exposure, the body feels

this substance is dangerous, releasing chemicals like histamine to protect itself.

That release can result in sneezing, red and itchy eyes, rashes, or a runny nose, among other things. The body's response is an allergic reaction.

One very different allergic reaction is anaphylaxis, a potentially life-threatening response that requires immediate medical attention. Anaphylaxis is a whole-body reaction, one that can include hives and itching all over the body, wheezing or shortness of breath, tightness or hoarseness in the throat, and even tingling feelings in the hands, lips, feet, or scalp.

What Might I Be Allergic To?

A visit to the local allergist is always a good idea to determine what you might be allergic to. But keep in mind some of the more common things both kids and adults are allergic to include

dust mites, feathers, pollen, dairy and pet dander.

While things like pet dander and dairy aren't exclusive to spring, dust and pollen tend to be more prevalent and problematic throughout the spring season.

Won't I Outgrow My Allergy?

According to the Allergy and Asthma Network, ongoing research indicates that food allergies are persisting longer into childhood. One study highlighted in the *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology* in late 2007 followed the progress of more than 800 children with milk allergy. In that study, only 1 out of 5 children outgrew milk allergy by age 4, and less than 50 percent had outgrown milk allergy by age 8. By age 16, nearly 80 percent had outgrown milk allergy.

While this might be encouraging for

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Caffeine more prevalent than one might think

Caffeine is something many people want to avoid for one reason or another. Whether it's for health reasons, such as avoidance during pregnancy, or simply because you do not want to be kept awake at night, knowing the sources of caffeine is helpful.

While most know that a can of cola or a cup of Joe contains caffeine, there are other foods and beverages where caffeine content could be a mystery.

Decaffeinated does not mean caffeine-free

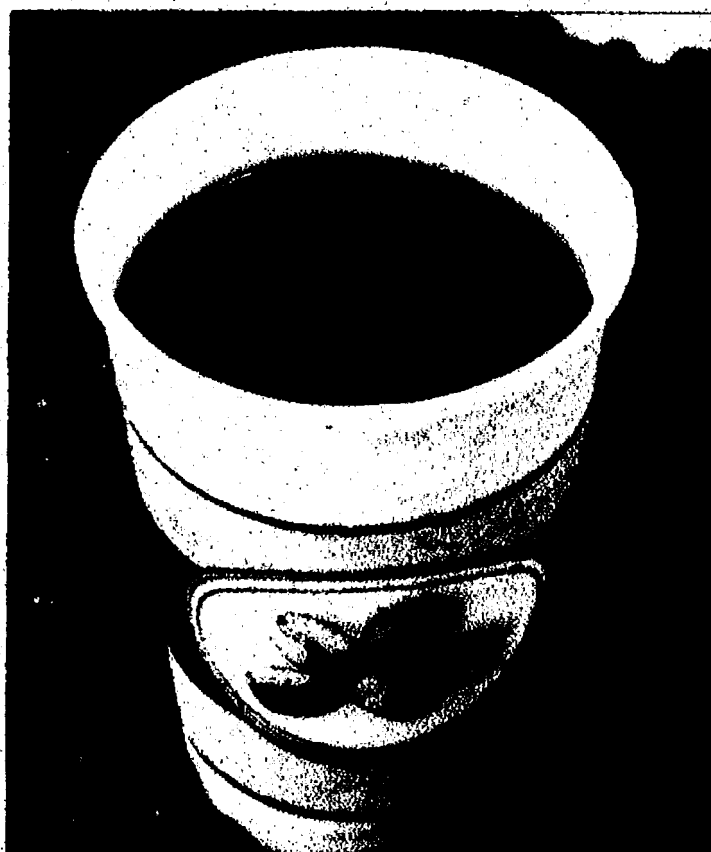
Decaf products contain considerably less caffeine than their full-strength counterparts. However, there are still detectable levels of caffeine present. Most brands of decaffeinated coffee, for example, have anywhere from 8 to 14 mg of caffeine per serving (regular coffee has 85 mg on average). For individuals sensitive to caffeine, even this small amount might result in some adverse effects.

Watch your sodas

It's safe to assume that colas will contain caffeine, but clear sodas are okay, right? Actually some other sodas have more caffeine than Coke(R) or Pepsi(R). Mountain Dew(R), for example, has more caffeine per serving than other popular colas. Some orange sodas and root beers even have caffeine added.

Read the label

The nutrition label of foods and beverages must list



whether caffeine is "added" to a product. However, if it is naturally occurring, caffeine may not be listed.

Don't forget the chocolate

Chocolate foods and beverages can have varying levels of caffeine. White chocolate will not, but milk

chocolate and dark chocolate in particular can contain high amounts.

Avoid coffee flavoring

If you're planning on digging into a coffee-flavored ice cream or yogurt, chances are there is caffeine present as well.

Be aware of herbs and other caffeine sources

Caffeine can be present in things other than chocolate and coffee beans. Kola nuts, yerba mate, and guarana are all sources of the stimulant. Drinks or foods that contain these ingredients will give you a caffeine rush.

Avoid energy drinks/weight-loss aides

The ingredient providing the "boost" in many of these products is caffeine.

Medications may be caffeinated

Some over-the-counter headache remedies and cold products contain caffeine. Read the labels of any medication to learn if caffeine is present.

Green tea

Many people equate green tea to herbal tea. However, although it has less caffeine than black tea and much less than coffee, it still contains caffeine. The same can be said for iced tea products.

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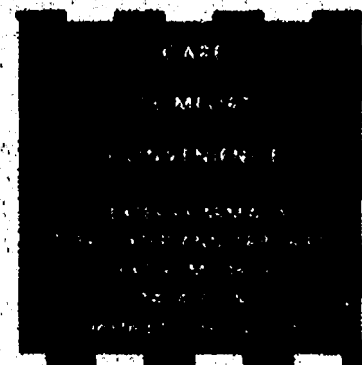
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A guide to heart disease

Symptoms and ailments include more than cardiac arrest

Hear disease is a broad term used to describe a number of ailments affecting the heart. When most people think of heart disease, they typically call to mind heart attacks. However, there are a number of conditions that can affect the heart. Understanding them is the key to preventing further complications down the line.

Here is a listing of common heart conditions, symptoms and treatment.

Angina

Angina is chest pain or discomfort that occurs in and around the heart when the muscle doesn't get enough oxygen-rich blood. It can be brought on by stress, exertion, emotion, extreme cold, or be a symptom of a deeper problem such as clogged arteries.

There are three types of angina: stable, unstable, and variant. Stable angina follows a pattern and is generally the most common. Unstable angina doesn't follow a pattern. Variant angina occurs while you're at rest and is rare. Angina may be treated with rest and medicine. All heart pain should be checked by a doctor to see if it's a sign of something deeper.

Aneurysm

An aneurysm is an abnormal widening or ballooning of a portion of an artery due to weakness in the wall of the blood vessel. Depending on where the aneurysm occurs (brain, aorta or abdomen, for example) there may be no pain or bulging. Aneurysms are serious, and if not caught early and treated, can lead to death.

Arteriosclerosis

This is any hardening or loss of elasticity of medium and large arteries, generally as a result of hypertension. The most common sites for arteriosclerosis are arteries in the brain, kidneys, heart, abdominal aorta, or legs. Symptoms of arteriosclerosis vary according to which arteries are affected. Risk factors for arteriosclerosis include smoking, obesity, high blood pressure and/or cholesterol, stress, and diabetes.

Atherosclerosis

This is a condition when fatty material collects in the arterial walls. It can

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Eye care with cataracts

Causes still unknown for common case of lens clouding

Although not commonly talked about, cataracts are one of the most common eye ailments that sometimes lead to surgery. It is something optometrists

A cataract is a clouding of the natural lens inside the eye. The lens is located behind the iris, the colored part of the eye. The clouding interferes with the focusing of light onto the back of the eye, called the retina. This makes it harder for a person to see.

Cataracts normally start out small, but grow larger and denser over time. They affect the vision more and more the larger they get. It is thought that this clouding occurs when lens proteins bind together as we age. During an eye exam your optometrist can determine whether or not you have cataracts.

There are three types of cataracts: nuclear, cortical, and subcapsular. Nuclear cataracts are the most common type, developing in the center part of the lens called the nucleus. Generally, this type forms due to the normal aging process. Subcapsular cataracts form in the back of the lens or the capsule. People with diabetes, high farsightedness, or those on high doses of steroids are more

likely to develop subcapsular cataracts.

Cortical cataracts form in the cortex of the lens. They form spoke-like opacities starting at the outside of the lens and extending toward the inside. Many diabetics get cortical cataracts.

Symptoms of cataracts include hazy or distorted vision, increased sensitivity to glare especially with nighttime driving, and colors may appear dimmer or more yellowed. Often vision without glasses will improve temporarily with early cataracts. This phenomenon is called "second sight" but it is often short-lived and vision declines as the cataract worsens. The type of cataract you have will affect exactly which symptoms you have and how soon they will occur.

No one knows for sure what causes cataracts and currently there is no way to prevent them. Ultraviolet light from the sun may cause cataracts to progress more rapidly, so wearing sunglasses could slow the progression of some cataracts. Other types of radiation might play a role in cataract formation.

Once a cataract degrades the vision to a point where glasses no longer help and daily activities are impaired, your optometrist can refer you to an eye surgeon



who can remove the cataract. Cataract surgery is a safe, relatively painless surgery that restores vision. It is the most common surgery performed in the United States and has a 95 percent success rate.

During cataract surgery, the eye's clouded lens is removed and is usually replaced with a clear, plastic intraocular lens (IOL). A standard, monofocal IOL corrects the distance vision, but reading

glasses are needed for close work. Some new multifocal IOLs can restore some focusing ability to reduce dependency on glasses. In rare cases an IOL cannot be inserted and the vision is corrected using contact lenses or glasses. Annual eye exams are important before and after surgery to monitor the overall health of the eyes.

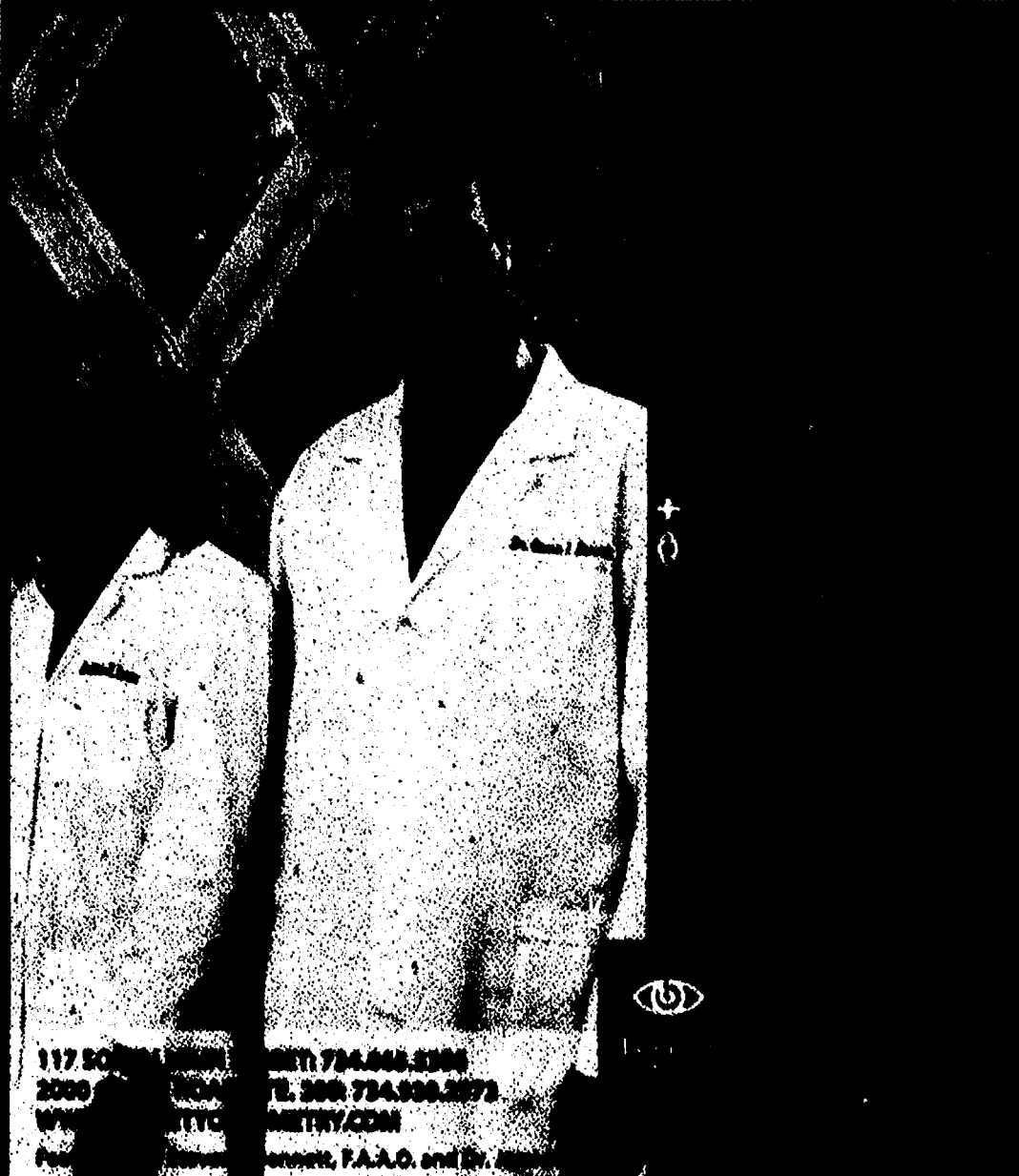


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Get screened for cervical cancer

Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer among women. In the United States alone, it is estimated there were 11,270 new cases of cervical cancer in 2009 and 4,070 deaths from the disease. The two groups of women with the highest rates of cervical cancer are those from ages 35 to 39 and those from ages 60 to 64. Early detection is the key to treatment and survival.

Understanding HPV

Cervical cancer is a cancer of the cervix, or the organ that connects the uterus to the vagina. It is almost always caused by the human papillomavirus (HPV), which up until recently was a little-known virus. It has since become a household name. This is a sexually transmitted virus that affects the mucous membranes in humans.

HPV is spread through sexual skin-to-skin contact. Penetration is not necessary to spread the virus. Men and women can be affected by HPV, and there are different strains. HPV that causes genital warts won't necessarily contribute to cervical cancer.

PAP Tests

The only way to prevent HPV is to abstain from sexual contact. In recent years a vaccine has been approved for the prevention of HPV. Early detection of cervical cancer is also essential. This is obtained through a PAP test. The incidence of cervical cancer has decreased in developed countries around the world because of an increase in the use of screenings and appropriate follow-up treatment.

The PAP test, or PAP smear, is named after Dr. George Papanicolaou who first developed the test. A sample of cervical cells are taken and observed under a microscope.

A woman can have HPV for years and not know it. It stays in the body and

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can lead to cervical cancer years after infection. There are often no symptoms of HPV or cervical cancer; therefore, PAPs are the single best way to detect it. If there are any symptoms, they may include unexplained bleeding or pain.

Treatment

If cervical cancer is caught early, it can usually be treated successfully. A woman

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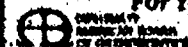
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may still be able to have children even after the cancer is caught early enough. However, most treatments for cervical cancer make a woman unable to have children afterward. Depending on the stage of cancer, treatments may include:

- Cone biopsy to remove the cancer
- Simple hysterectomy to remove the uterus and cervix

- Hysterectomy and removal of pelvic lymph nodes with or without removal of both ovaries and fallopian tubes
- Radiation therapy, using high-dose
- X-rays or implants in the vaginal cavity to kill cancer cells
- Chemotherapy

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harden over time, causing calcium deposits and restriction of blood flow. Avoiding fatty, high cholesterol foods, exercising regularly, and getting routine checkups at the doctor are all ways to head off atherosclerosis at the pass.

Heart attack

Also known as cardiac arrest, this is the culmination of many heart conditions, such as angina, arteriosclerosis, and atherosclerosis. It occurs when blood and oxygen are not able to reach the heart. According to the American Heart Association, signs of cardiac arrest can include:

1. Chest discomfort. Most heart attacks involve discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or that goes away and comes back. It can feel like uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness, or pain.

2. Discomfort in other areas of the upper body. Symptoms can include pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.

3. Shortness of breath with or without chest discomfort.

4. Other signs include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

High cholesterol

High cholesterol can be a factor in a number of heart conditions. Therefore it is desirable to keep cholesterol levels low. Cholesterol is measured as Total cholesterol, HDL (the good cholesterol) and LDL (the bad cholesterol). Total cholesterol under 200 mg/DL is optimal. Less than 100 mg/DL of LDL and HDL levels of 60 mg/DL or more are desirable.

Hypertension

This is a term used to describe high blood pressure. Blood pressure is measured in two readings, the systolic pressure, or the pressure created when the heart beats, and the diastolic pressure, or the pressure in the heart when it is at rest. Blood pressure higher than 120 over 80 is considered high and should be monitored. How much water and salt you have in your body; the condition of your kidneys;

nervous system, or blood vessels; and the levels of different body hormones can all cause hypertension. A change in diet or medication may be needed to control blood pressure.

Peripheral arterial disease (PAD)

PAD is when insufficient blood flow reaches the arteries that supply the limbs. Pain or immobility may occur due to lack of blood to meet demand. Generally PAD is a sign that atherosclerosis is taking place and medical intervention should be taken.

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Stroke

This is an interruption of blood supply to any part of the brain. It can come on suddenly or display symptoms over time. Changes in alertness, sleepiness, trouble speaking, loss of coordination, trouble moving limbs, and many other symptoms can be indicative of stroke. A stroke may be mild and cause temporary conditions. A massive stroke may lead to paralysis, brain damage or even coma. A stroke is a medical emergency. It is important to get the person to the emergency room immediately to determine if the stroke is due to bleeding or a blood clot so appropriate treatment can be started within three hours of when the stroke began. Clot busters may be given if it is a clotting condition.

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Understanding and living with epilepsy

Few medical conditions manifest themselves more profoundly than epilepsy. A condition that produces seizures that affect a number of mental and physical functions, epilepsy affects nearly 3 million people in the United States.

Still, as prevalent as the condition might be, many people are still in the dark when it comes to knowledge about epilepsy, knowing merely that those with epilepsy suffer from unprovoked seizures from time to time. While any person who has two or more unprovoked seizures is considered to have epilepsy, there is more to epilepsy than the prevalence of seizures.

What Is Epilepsy?

Epilepsy is a neurological condition that occurs when the normal functions of the brain are interrupted by intermittent bursts of electrical energy. Whereas normal brain function is made possible by millions of tiny electrical charges passing between nerve cells to all parts of the body, the bursts associated with epilepsy are far more intense than normal electrical charges. That intensity can affect a person's consciousness and bodily movements for a short period of time.

These physical changes are known as epileptic seizures. The seizures can

be partial seizures, when the aforementioned bursts of energy occur in just one part of the brain, or generalized seizures, when the bursts affect nerve cells throughout the brain.

What Causes Epilepsy?

According to the Epilepsy Foundation, seizures are indicative of abnormal brain function, the cause of which is often unidentifiable. In fact, roughly 70 percent of people with epilepsy do not know why they have it. For the remaining 30 percent, the abnormal brain function could result from head injuries or a lack of oxygen during birth that damages the brain's electrical system. Other causes can include brain tumors, lead poisoning, development problems in the brain before birth, and infections such as meningitis or encephalitis.

What Triggers a Seizure?

Many times, people with epilepsy can recognize things that might trigger a seizure. However, some people with epilepsy will have no such triggers. The triggers can also be tough to pinpoint, as two things that happen simultaneously are not necessarily related, making it difficult to identify if a given occurrence is actually a trigger for a seizure or simply

a coincidence.

In general, the most common seizure trigger is failing to take medication, making it imperative that a person with a prescription for seizure medication to stick to their prescribed schedule.

Other factors that have been linked to seizures include hormone fluctuations, stress and sleep patterns. The Epilepsy Foundation notes that roughly 3 percent of people with epilepsy have seizures triggered by photosensitivity, or exposure to flashing lights at certain intensities or certain visual patterns. This is more common in children and adolescents, and typically becomes less frequent with age.

What Are the Symptoms of Epilepsy?

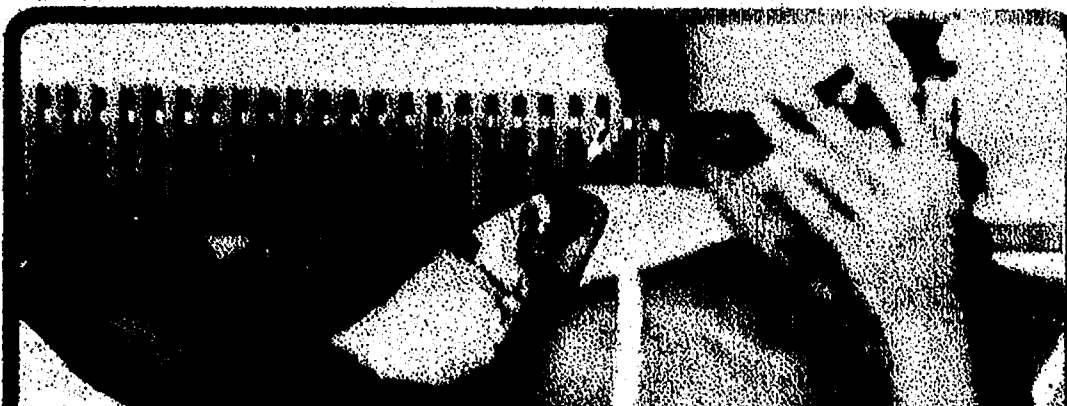
The primary symptom of epilepsy is seizures that repeatedly happen without warning. Unless treatment is sought and received, these seizures can escalate, becoming worse and more frequent over time.

Identifying seizures can depend on the type an individual experiences. The symptoms of seizures can include senses beginning to go somewhat haywire, such as noticing strange smells or sounds. Other symptoms include potential loss of muscle control, fainting (loss of con-

sciousness), staring off into space, or the body beginning to twitch or jerk and possibly falling down. Not all seizures indicate epilepsy, but it remains important that anyone who experiences a seizure seek out the advice of a physician.

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Does your dog need a canine flu shot?

Over the last several years, influenza has grabbed headlines around the world, with outbreaks of bird flu and swine flu causing illness among humans. As it turns out, man's best friend can catch the flu too.

The canine influenza virus, (CIV), H3N8, affects dogs and can cause the same symptoms experienced by people: persistent coughing, runny eyes and noses, lack of energy and loss of appetite.

Canine flu is usually mild, but in about 20 percent of cases, more serious signs occur, such as high fever and pneumonia. A small number of dogs—up to eight percent—may die from complications associated with canine influenza. Unlike human flu, which tends

to occur seasonally during the winter months in the United States, dog influenza shows up all year round.

CIV was discovered in 2004 at a greyhound racing track in Florida. Since then, thousands of cases have been confirmed in various breeds in at least 30 states across the U.S.

CIV is often mistaken for other respiratory diseases, such as kennel cough (Bordetella). Like most viral infections, there are no medicines to cure CIV and cough suppressants don't help much, according to veterinary experts.

Antibiotics, which are not effective against the influenza virus, may be prescribed for bacterial infections that develop as complications of the flu. Human "flu" medicines should not be given to dogs.

The canine influenza virus spreads easily and dogs are most contagious before they show any sign of illness. The germs are spread in saliva and nasal secretions through the air, on shared water bowls or toys or even loving hands.

Because the virus is new, all dogs are potentially susceptible to CIV infection. Those attending doggie day care, visiting dog parks or being boarded are at greatest risk because they are in contact with

many other dogs.

After canine influenza was identified in 2004, the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) began receiving calls from concerned veterinarians, pet owners, and shelters wondering what they could do to protect their dogs. In November 2006, the AVMA executive board took the unusual action of issuing a statement emphasizing the urgent need for an effective canine influenza vaccine to improve the health and welfare of animals and reduce the financial impact of canine influenza.

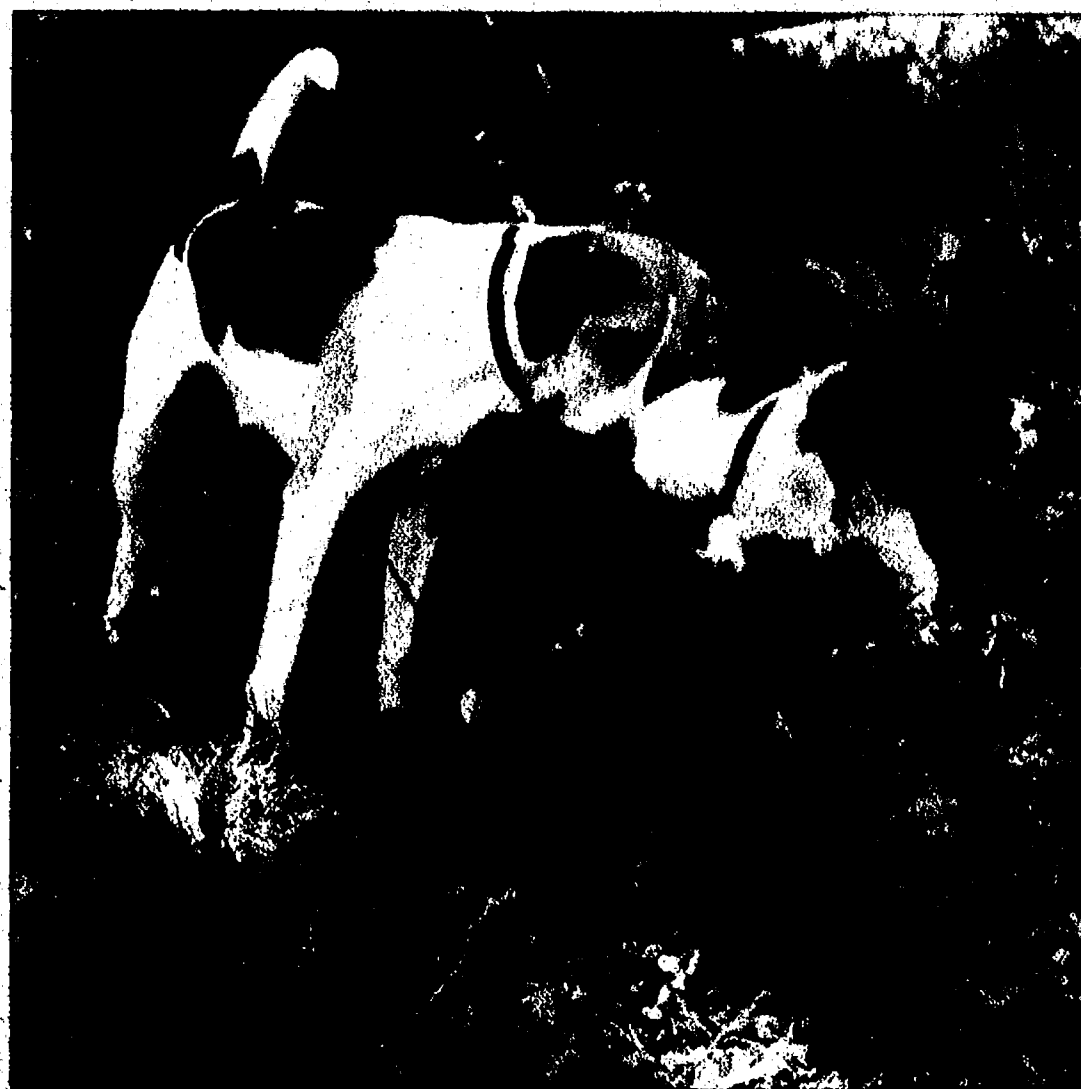
In May 2009, the U.S. Department of Agriculture approved the Canine Influenza Vaccine, H3N8 from Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health.

The vaccine has been proven to reduce the symptoms and most serious consequences of CIV infection, specifically lung lesions and pneumonia.

The initial vaccination requires a two-dose series administered two to four weeks apart. After that, a single dose is administered annually for flu protection. Dogs six weeks or older who are

Canine influenza causes prolonged coughing and other respiratory symptoms.

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Ypsilanti dentist has state-of-the-art braces

Technology allows braces to be custom made and invisible to others

By Austen Smith
Heritage Newspapers

Ypsilanti-based Dr. Christopher Riolo is one of just a handful of dentists promoting and using a new, state-of-the-art technology for braces that are custom

made and essentially hidden.

Riolo, whose office located at 1900 Packard Road right across the street from Ypsilanti High School, has been advocating the unique process for several years and says there are a number of advantages to using the Incognito Bracket System.

"They are braces that go behind the teeth instead of in front," Riolo says. "There are a couple advantages, first off the aesthetic element is obviously improved because the braces are hidden and you don't have to deal with stains. And the way it is manufactured is quite unique. The braces are custom made to

fit the individual's jaw."

New technology has paved the way for "Hidden Braces" as manufacturers take a three-dimensional image of the patient's jaw and then using a Computer Aided Design and Computer Aided Manufacturing (or CAD/CAM) system are able to fuse together the normally separate processes of bracket production and bracket positioning, according to www.lingualtechnik.de.

The new system is designed to deal with the three main problems of lingual orthodontics:

- Patient discomfort during the adaptation phase

- Difficulties in exact indirect re-bonding in the event of bracket loss

- Exact finishing
- Lower profile

Dr. Riolo says with traditional braces, dentists use a mass-produced bracket which they have to manipulate by hand in order to get in line with the jaw.

"If I need a front tooth bracket then I grab it out of the box just like I do for everybody, and you have to bend the wire to get it in line with your teeth position," Riolo says. "With this system, the teeth are set straight itself and that bracket is designed for the individual patient to move the tooth into a straight position. It decreases treatment time and increases accuracy of the finish."

He added that this system had made its way onto the general marketplace in the 1970s, but it was only until recently that technology had allowed Hidden Braces to become more available.

"Back then, we didn't have the technology. It was very labor intensive to approximate this system. Now it has been making a comeback starting back in 2000," Riolo says.

For more information on Hidden Braces, visit www.lingualtechnik.de or www.hiddenbraces.com.

For more information about Dr. Christopher Riolo, call 1-734-481-1060 or visit the Web site www.drriolo.com.

CANINE

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currently being vaccinated for kennel cough (Bordetella), are candidates for the Canine Influenza Vaccine, H3N8.

Keeping your dog in good health is the first step to protection from canine influenza. A stronger immune system is better able to fight infection. Take the quiz below to see if your dog is a candidate for canine influenza vaccination and then talk to your family veterinarian about keeping your furry best friend flu-free.

Should My Dog Be Vaccinated Against Canine Flu?

Does your dog:

- Come from a shelter, rescue center, breeding kennel or pet store?
- Board at a kennel or go to doggie day care?
- Attend group training or "dog kindergarten"?
- Visit grooming parlors, dog parks or engage with other dogs on daily walks?
- Enter dog shows or other canine competitions?
- Spend time with other dogs in the waiting room during visits to your veterinary clinic?

nary clinic?

If you answered "yes" to even one of these questions, talk to your veterinarian about canine flu vaccine.

Canine influenza is a highly contagious disease that causes prolonged coughing and other respiratory symptoms. It is spread from an infected dog to other dogs through direct contact (nuzzling, sniffing or licking); through the air (coughing or sneezing); and by contact with contaminated objects (doggie bowls, toys, people's clothing, etc.). Please note that while dogs easily transmit canine flu to other dogs, they cannot infect humans.

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Chelsea Wellness Center pushing for healthier lifestyles

Center has medically-integrated facility for exercising members

Research proves that exercise has a role in the treatment and prevention of more than 40 chronic diseases, including diabetes, heart disease, obesity and hypertension. Many individuals want to become more physically active but are unsure of how to begin a safe, effective exercise program.

The Chelsea Wellness Center is a medically-integrated facility that provides a variety of program and membership options to anyone who wants to begin

an exercise program and live a healthier lifestyle. Exercise can be a powerful complement to traditional medical intervention and may allow a physician to significantly reduce a patient's drug dosage or eliminate the need for medicine altogether. Working with an individual's healthcare provider, CWC can provide a comprehensive approach to overall health and wellness.

For individuals who are transitioning from or managing a medical condition, CWC offers individualized six- to 12-week fitness programs. Transitional care programs currently offered are weight management, orthopedics, prehabilitation, cardiopulmonary, diabetes and cancer. Physician clearance is required. These programs are individu-

alized for each person, but generally include pre- and post-health risk assessments, supervised exercise sessions and instruction with a professional fitness specialist.

The Chelsea Wellness Center also provides membership to anyone who just wants to get fit and live a healthier lifestyle. The Center is a member of the Medical Fitness Association and follows American College of Sports Medicine guidelines to determine if someone may be at a higher risk for developing problems during exercise. A health history is obtained from each member and the fitness specialist works with primary care physicians to obtain recommendations, restrictions, and approval for an exercise program.

All members are provided with a fitness assessment in which baseline data are collected, including blood pressure, cardiovascular endurance, flexibility, muscle strength and body fat percentage. Feedback is provided in a personalized report that fitness specialists use to develop a workout routine aimed at helping the member reach their fitness goals.

An equipment orientation is provided so members understand how to use the cardio and strength training machines safely and effectively. The fitness staff continually monitors the fitness floor and offers program assistance to those who are interested.

The Wellness Center offers up-to-date cardio and strength training exercise equipment, an indoor track, therapy and lap pools, whirlpools, steam room, sauna, executive style locker rooms and an in-house towel service. Land and water group exercise classes (60+ per week) are also included with membership. The fitness staff will motivate you to make healthy lifestyle changes to build a better you!

The Chelsea Wellness Center is located on the Chelsea Community Hospital campus at 14800 East Old U.S. 12. To get more information regarding the transitional care programs, call Dawn Lyons, fitness manager, at 734-214-0226. For information on general membership call 734-214-0220.

ALLERGY

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parents of children with milk allergies, no two allergies are the same. Peanut allergy, for instance, does not necessarily disappear or weaken as a person gets older. So while it appears possible to outgrow an allergy, it's certainly not a guarantee, and those diagnosed with a given allergy should continue to consult with their physician.

What Triggers My Allergy?

A host of preventable factors can trigger an allergy.

- **Pets.** Those with an allergy to pet dander can avoid visiting friends or family members with pets. If that's not an option or if you have pets of your own, keep them out of the bedroom or off the furniture.

- **Dust.** Dust allergies are common, and the best way to combat them is to keep a clean house. Place pillows in the dryer, wash sheets in hot water, use dust mite

covers on mattresses and furniture, and vacuum regularly. Sweeping might help pick up random debris, but it's not effective on its own when fighting dust, as it will simply move the dust around the room.

- **Mold.** Many people are allergic to mold, and one can prevent exposure to this allergen by using a dehumidifier in damp areas, such as the basement, and running the bathroom or shower fan for up to 15 minutes after bathing.

To learn more, visit the Allergy & Asthma Network at www.aanma.org.

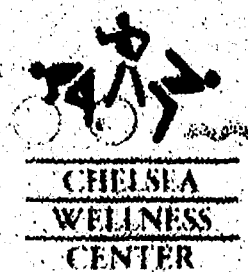
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Workshops & Panel Discussions

Glamour and Gore

Sunday, March 21 | 10:00-12:00pm | River Gallery | 130 South Main St.
Registration Required | Ages 18+

Join us at The River Gallery for a one-of-a-kind interactive, hands-on workshop for young people ages 18 to 27, focusing on the creation of character for cinema and film through the application of makeup and hairstyling. Participants will learn how to achieve the effects of "glamour" and "gore" using makeup and hairstyling techniques.

Professional makeup and hair artists, Jenna Drudi and Aline Karoloff, will train teens in "glamour" techniques: ways to highlight the face for red light camera; how to apply false eyelashes; tricks with highlighting the face; how to make makeup last through layering techniques for film continuity and how to create a hair foundation for any glamorous style.

In the "gore" part of the program you will learn: to construct fake bruising and wounds and to create your perfect villain or monster with hair powder and techniques in brushing.

If you're interested in theater or film or just curious, don't miss this unique opportunity to learn how this pros do it! Registration is limited to 12 lucky teens, so register today!

Other Information:

All teens-attending the workshop must supply a "before" digital photo of themselves one week prior to the workshop (3/14). Please send a closeup of your face to info@chelseadistrictlibrary.com. Include your full name in the email.



Jenna Drudi graduated from the David Pressley School of Cosmetology. In the past few years she has shared her passion for hair and makeup with the film industry and has worked on films such as *Annabelle* and *Boys, Girls, Trains, Pursuits, and Cedar Rapids*. She has also worked with some amazing actors: Isiah Washington, Ed Helms, John C. Reilly & Anne Heche. Her inspirations include red carpet styles, personality differences and lifestyles.



Aline Karoloff is a project manager at the Ann Arbor web development firm Inner Circle Media. "Sewing and costume creation have always been a hobby of mine, as well as expressive make-up and creating Hollywood-like characters."

Writing for the *Markovitz* How to Get Started & Stay Motivated
Tuesday, March 22 | 6:00-8:00pm | Registration Required | Ages 12+



Have you ever wanted to write a script, but not sure where to start? Producer and story consultant Harvey Orshinsky will lead a program open to teens and adults that will help aspiring film writers get their ideas on paper. Harvey Orshinsky and his production studio HMO Media have been awarded broadcasting's highest honors including four CINE Golden Eagle Awards, a national Emmy, a Peabody, a duPont - Columbia University Award, an Iris Award

from the National Association of Television Programming Executives, and the American Film Institute's Robert M. Bennett Award for Excellence.

Celebrations & Receptions

Somewhere in Time Victorian Tea

Sunday, March 7 | 1:00-3:00pm
Chelsea House Victorian Inn | 118 East Middle St.
Registration Required + limited to 22 | Ages 18+

Join us for a special Victorian Tea at the Chelsea House Victorian Inn in celebration of the film *Somewhere in Time*, being shown at the library at 2:45pm. Filmed on Michigan's Mackinac Island, it ranks as one of the most romantic films of all time and is considered a cult classic. Our host, Innkeeper Jim Myles, will be providing us with tea and crepes in the beautiful parlor of the Chelsea House Victorian Inn. All participants are strongly encouraged to come in Victorian costume, even if it's only a hat! Call the library at 475-8732 for costuming suggestions.

Pre-Gala Reception

Saturday, March 20 | 6:30 - 8:30pm
River Gallery | 130 South Main St | Drop-in | Ages 13+



You're invited for music, "mocktails" and mingling at the River Gallery, before the red carpet walk at the Chelsea Reads Together Gala Finale at the library later in the evening. Meet Sue Marx, Academy Award-winning filmmaker, up close and personal, before her talk at the library. This is your chance to see new items from the *Anatomy of a Murder* 50th Anniversary display, have delicious snacks, and listen to some great jazz! Be sure to "glam up" for the red carpet walk!

Gala Finale

Saturday, March 20 | 8:30-7:30pm | McIntune | Drop-in | All ages
Join us as we celebrate the grand finale of Chelsea Reads Together, Hollywood-style! We'll have lights, red carpet, velvet rope, photographers... and you are the star! Dress for the press: tiaras and "tails" welcome! Special guest, Academy Award winning filmmaker Sue Marx, will show and discuss her film short, *Anatomy of an Author*, about John D. Voelker, the author of *Anatomy of a Murder*. Pianist Brian Brill will also be on hand to play some "Duke" from the film and discuss the technique of scoring music for the movies. Don't miss this fun party!

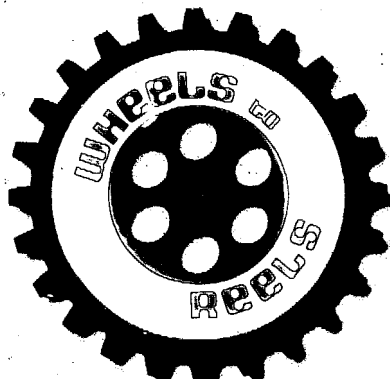
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Chelsea Reads Together Wheels to Reels: Movie - Making in Michigan



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Help us Kickoff of 2010's Chelsea Reads Together

Thanks to the new film industry help our aging economy? Is the Michigan film industry a positive or negative? What are the new jobs in the industry and how do they get on? What movies are being made in Michigan? Join us for a month-long series of events investigating these and other questions. We'll also be celebrating Michigan-made movies, learning about screenplay writing, and making up for movies and many other film-related topics.

Chelsea Reads Together 2010 Book Topics



Derby: Kick Off Event

Monday, January 25 | 10:00-12:00pm | Medium | Drop-In | All ages
Join us for the screening of one of the first studio movies made in Michigan, *Derby*, starring John D. Voeltner. It is a trial court drama film directed by John Voeltner based on the best-selling novel of the same name written by Michigan Supreme Court Justice John D. Voeltner under the pseudonym Robert Traver. Traver based the novel on a 1952 murder case which he was the defense attorney. University of Michigan professors and staff will lead a discussion of the movie. Refreshments provided.

Book Discussions

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Book Discussions

Monday, March 15 | 10:00-12:00pm | Medium | Registration Required
Join us for great book discussions led by Library and Senior Center staff. Copies are available for participants; please sign up to get your copy. The book will be *Anatomy of a Murder* by Robert Traver. We'll be screening the film version starring James Stewart Friday, March 19 at 7:00pm. Join us for the book discussion.

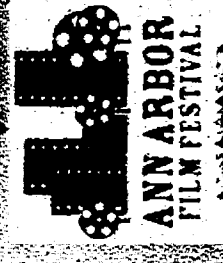
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Film Screenings

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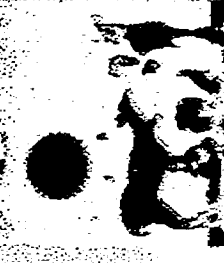


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